



HPDIRC PRELIMINARY BASELINE DESIGN

Radiator bars:

- > Barrel radius: 762 mm, 12 sectors
- > 10 long bars per sector, 4880 mm x 35 mm x 17 mm (L x W x T)
- Long bar: 4 bars, glued end-to-end,
- > Short bars made from highly polished synthetic fused silica
- > Flat mirror on far end

Focusing optics:

Radiation-hard 3-layer spherical lens (sapphire)

Expansion volume:

> Solid fused silica prism: 24 x 35 x 30 cm³ (H x W x L)

Readout system:

- MCP-PMT Sensors (e.g. Photek/Incom)
- > ASIC-based Electronics (e.g EICROC)





HPDIRC SIMULATION

Stand-alone Geant4 Simulation

- Realistic optics, geometry, and material properties based on prototyp and experimental data, wavelength-dependent material properties and processes
- Validated with test beam data
- > Design optimization studies and testing novel design options
- Impact of ePIC tracking resolution on hpDIRC performance (Roman talk in the morning)
- Performance studies with Pythia events and integrated ePIC magnetic field (Bill Llope talk)
- Plan to implement materials from other systems and support structure to improve parametrization for ultimate ePIC simulation campaigns



Stand-Alone hpDIRC Simulation with Pythia events



HPDIRC SIMULATION

ePIC Simulation:

- Implemented geometry matches detector matrix
- Imported and integrated most of stand-alone Geant4 package, validated performance (with ideal tracking)
- Time-based reconstruction is running with only the hpDIRC module active and ideal tracking
- Efficiencies should be applied in early stage of simulation (stepping action and stacking action) to avoid tracking photons that will not get detected
- Particle momentum vector has to be saved at the entrance to DIRC bar to work on initial reconstruction implementation
- Photon paths in the prism have to be saved in a special mode of running to create Look-Up Tables





G.Kalicy, CUA | ePIC hpDIRC |ePIC Collaboration Meeting at ANL | January 11, 2024

HPDIRC RECONSTRUCTION

Reconstruction and PID methods:

- Geometrical (BABAR-like), robust and fast method based on Look-Up Tables, delivers Cherenkov angle per particle and Single Photon Resolution (useful for calibration and in prototype tests), does not depend on precise time measurement
- Time Imaging (Belle II TOP-like), uses Probability Density Functions (analytical or simulation-based), makes optimum use of precision of position and time information
- Neural Network Reconstruction, directly using binned time and channel id to provide PID (synergy with PANDA)

High-precision 3D momentum vector information is crucial for reaching required hpDIRC performance

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- from data: best PID, requires a large amount of data in whole angular and momentum acceptance
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- analytical: fast, low memory footprint
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SUMMARY

- Software efforts are progressing and hpDIRC team is growing!
- Stand-alone simulation package validated with prototype in test beams, used for design optimization, performance studies, and soon for improved parametrization.
- Geometry and properties implemented in ePIC simulation, reconstruction in progress
- Two validated reconstruction/PID methods available, new ML method under development
- High-precision tracking is crucial for hpDIRC performance
- Studies of hpDIRC performance with Pythia events and magnetic field provide reassuring results!

