

Goal: Investigate the feasibility of a Barrel RICH detector for pi/k separation beyond 10 GeV/c, as well as eID up to 4 GeV/c.

EIC Barrel RICH

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DISCLAIMER: Many things in this talk are speculative and depend on further R&D.



DELPHI Barrel RICH

- DELPHI had a dual-radiator RICH w/ C6F14 liquid and C5F12 gas in a 1.2T solenoid and it provided a modest level of probabilistic pi/k separation up to ~12 GeV/c or so. Gas radiator used focusing, liquid did not.
- Designed in the early '80s before many modern detector technologies. Their RICH was readout by a 4.2 cm thick TPC laced with TMAE gas. Gas radiator was 42 cm.
- It was a very complicated design and had many engineering issues that impacted the performance.

This detector had: 3 separate fluid control systems, heating elements to keep C5F12 at 40 degrees C, two field cages, a MWPC with blinders, a 150 kV cathode, nine quartz windows, and TMAE mixed in the TPC drift gas.



DELPHI serves only as a proof of principle that a Barrel RICH can be a feasible detector, nothing from this design other than geometry would be wanted at EIC

DELPHI Barrel RICH

- TPC readout introduced a lot of issues.
 - Hard to reconstruct Z-position precisely due to large time binning w.r.t drift velocity.
 - Lost electrons and resolution at large drift distance to field non-uniformities and diffusion.
 - Conversion point of photon arbitrary in R.
 - Only phi coordinate of a photon could be measured precisely, but rings smeared in phi due to bending in B-field.
 - Ionization trail, delta rays, electronic noise, crosstalk, after-pulses, photon feedback, all easily confused with ring photons signal/background ratio only .34
- Photodetection and pattern recognition have improved significantly since LEP.



Fig. 13. Scatter plots (x, t) over the full length of the drift volumes, obtained in the ungated mode by 200 superimposed images of 10 GeV/c pions, for (a) normal beam incidence $\theta_b = 0^\circ$, $z_d = 85.8$ cm, (b) $\theta_b = 24^\circ 7$, $z_d = 35$ cm. A net parasitic background line is visible at the x position of the beam spots, essentially composed of single asynchronous elec-

Note the dotted line is at 2.5σ , but we want 3.

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Liquid π/K

Gos e/m

Would prefer to make something simpler to analyze, if possible. Impetus for a barrel RICH is high Q² events, which require high statistics. The sooner the detector is understood and ready for physics the better.

Figure 6.22: The π^{\pm}/K^{\pm} , $K^{\pm}/p\overline{p}$ and $\pi^{\pm}/p\overline{p}$ separation for reconstructed rings in the BRICH liquid and gas radiator. The dashed lines indicate the 2.5 standard deviations limit. The dotted line in the top-left plot shows the e^{\pm}/π^{\pm} separation for momenta below the theoretical pion threshold in the gas radiator.

Gas π/K

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Borrel RICH

Gos K/p

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Liquid K/p

Barrel RICH

2.5 σ

P [GeV/c]

"PID with the DELPHI RICH" Dissertation, Emile Schyns

Detector cartoon from Rey Cruz-Torres (LBNL)



The compact all-silicon design has enough space for a RICH in the barrel. The question is what kind of a design can accomplish > 15 GeV/c pi/k separation with the tracks bending in the magnetic field.

In principle, a short O(40 cm) RICH could also be shoehorned into sPHENIX-like design if inner HCal is removed and EMCal is backed up to magnet.

Ingredients/Considerations for a Barrel RICH*

Ingredient	DELPHI	EIC, as considered in this presentation
1. Magnetic Field	1.2T	1.5T or 3T
2. Space	42 cm (gas)	~40-50 cm
3. Photodetector	TMAE TPC + MWPC	CsI MPGD or SiPM
4. Dark Rate/Background	Ionization trail from particle tracks in TPC	SiPM dark rate
5. Radiator	C5F12 @ 40°C	C4F10 or C3F8, pressurized and/or cooled.

*Not an exhaustive list. These represent only the considerations currently implemented in our fast simulation.

Limitations

Ingredient	Known limitations	Possible solution
1. Magnetic Field	Larger bending of tracks in larger field means greater smearing of a ring. Strongly affects many photodetectors.	Decrease length of radiator
2. Space	Short radiator will produce fewer photons	Pressurize gas
3. Photodetector	B-field tolerance, SiPM Dark rate, crosstalk, and rad hardness	Change temperature/voltage, Needs further R&D
4. Radiator	Needs to have high momentum reach and produce enough photons	Heavy gas, pressurized
5. Dark Rate/Background	SiPM dark rate is large, scintillation spectra in the visible unknown	Needs further R&D
6. Low momentum	Needs to be supplemented by low momentum PID	DIRC, dE/dx, ToF? DIRC preferable to minimize gaps in positive pi/k separation



ThetaC vs. P

1. Magnetic Field





- Need to make best possible use of radial space, need to know how compact this can be and still get enough photons.
 - Greater length means greater bending of a track.
 - Thus the "Normal" RICH strategy of increasing radiator length is less efficient
 - Pressurizing a heavy gas is a good option

Nominal design

in Simulation

- Note that this is necessary both to get enough photons, as well as getting the kaon threshold close to the DIRC 3-sigma k/pi separation momentum of ~6 GeV/c to provide consistent positive PID at all momenta up to 15 GeV/c
- Also note that radiator length increases slightly with increasing $|\eta|$, all lengths quoted for $\eta = 0$.
- Silicon tracker gives excellent pointing resolution into RICH
- Lower B-field and length is better, decreased $\int B \cdot dl$
 - This brings about a radical idea from Tom

Two of them!

Cutting length in half improves bending resolution contribution by a factor of 2.

Can share a gas volume, provide 2 independent measurements of radius if you can get enough photons.

With pressurized gas, could get enough photons in ~20 cm.

Downside: more mirrors and more photodetectors = more \$\$\$

Impact of having 2 layers not in simulation, all results shown are for a single layer only.



Photodetectors



 Only B-resistant technologies will operate in an optimal geometry (spherical mirrors w/ sensors pointed outwards) in the barrel.

- SiPMs are the primary choice considered here, but photocathodecoated MPGDs are a possible alternative if SiPMs are deemed infeasible.
- SiPMs benefit hugely from operating in the visible range, all gases are transparent and have negligible chromatic dispersion, less perfluorocarbon scintillation.
- Beating down dark counts in SiPMs will be a formidable task.
 - Temperature, time resolution
- UV photocathode coated MPGDs are also possible, but aren't considered yet because of lack of accessible data on C3F8 gas.
 - In C4F10, transparency of gas in UV is too low. Needs to be measured for C3F8.
 - Low total photon yield, will need to reject track ionization as much as possible.
 - Pressurizing heavy gases exacerbates chromaticity, likely to be leading resolution term.



Sample SiPM Photon detection efficiency



Perflourocarbon gas parameters from "VUV Absorbing Vapours in n-Perfluorocarbons." publication, https://cds.cern.ch/record/600182/files/ep-2002-099.pdf



SiPM detected

photon

Chromatic dispersion increases with pressure, mainly affecting the UV. Pressurizing to increase N_{pe} in the VUV region therefore degrades resolution, especially in heavy gases.

C4F10 becomes opaque around 150 nm, CsI has QE out beyond 150, but not enough photons in this region in 50 cm or less of radiator. If pressurized C3F8 has transparency out to 130 nm or so, could be viable.

Wavelengths

Perflourocarbon gas parameters from "VUV Absorbing Vapours in n-Perfluorocarbons." publication, https://cds.cern.ch/record/600182/files/ep-2002-099.pdf



Photon Wavelength (nm)

Hamamatsu SiPM Info

- Latest and greatest is the new TSV (Through-Silicon Via) S13615 series.
 - 1x1 mm channels with a high fill factor and PDE, also a dark rate that's very low compared to predecessors at STP.
 - High packing efficiency is also possible.
- PDE of this model assumed in simulation.



Wavelength (nm)

Structure

Type no.	Number of channels	Effective photosensitive area/ch (mm)	Pixel pitch (µm)	Number of pixels/ch	Fill factor (%)	Package	Window material	Refractive index of window material
S13615-1025N-04	4 × 4							
S13615-1025N-08	8 × 8]	25	1584	47	Surface mount type	Glass	1.51
S13615-1025N-16	16 × 16	1.0 × 1.0						
S13615-1050N-04	4 × 4							
S13615-1050N-08	8 × 8	1	50	396	74			
C1261E 10E0N 16	16 y 16	1						

Electrical and optical characteristics (Typ. Ta=25 °C, unless otherwise noted)

Type no.	Spectral response range λ	Spectral response range λp	Photon detection efficiency PDE $\lambda = \lambda p$	Da coi (kc	ark unt ps)	Crosstalk probability	Terminal capacitance Ct	Gain M	Breakdown voltage VBR	Recommended operating voltage Vop	Operating fluctu between	g voltage ation channels ()	Recommended operating voltage temperature coefficient
	(nm)	(nm)	(%)	Тур.	Max.	(%)	(pF)		(V)	(V)	Тур.	Max.	(mV/°C)
S13615-1025N series	200 to 000	450	25	00	270	3	40	7.0×10^{5}	52 ± 5	VBR + 5	+0.05	+0.15	E4
S13615-1050N series	300 10 900	430	40	90	2/0	10	40	1.7×10^{6}	33 ± 5	VBR + 3	±0.05	±0.15	54



Timing



Fast, time-digitizing electronics are a must to beat DCR. By shrinking the time window during which hits are accepted, one can reject most dark hits.

In literature, time resolution of 80 ps has been achieved, Hamamatsu TSV has been tested and shown 100 ps performance



Dark rate decreases and time resolution improves at lower temperatures, so having the ability to cool the SiPMs is a must. At 0° C, DCR of S13615 could be as low as 6 kHz when new. 100 kHz is assumed in baseline simulation.



Radiation Damage



Fig. 6. Sequence of irradiations for Hamamatsu 15-, 25-, and 50-pixel devices up to 1.8×10^{10} n/cm² at the BNL SSGRIF at a flux of 10^5 n/cm²/s. Currents were measured at the manufacturers' recommended operating voltage for each device listed in Table I.



Figure 12: DCR at 77 K versus neutron fluence for all irradiated devices.



Irradiation with neutrons and protons introduces defects in the silicon that can produce energy levels in the band gap.

Dark current increases roughly proportional to neutron dose.

At possible location of SiPMs, ~3 to ~ $5x10^7$ n/cm² per fb⁻¹ according to preliminary studies.

Annealing has shown promise in reducing DCR, changing temperature and voltage reactively can also help combat increases in DCR due to irradiation. A large R&D effort from the world community is underway.

Dark Rate in Simulation

• Assuming a time cut on any hit pixel of $\pm 2\sigma_t$ The amount of dark hits in the active area on average is

 $DCR(Hz/mm^2) * Active Area (mm^2) * 4 * Time Resolution(s)$

- which follows a Poisson distribution.
 - Factor of 4 comes from a 2-sigma cut in incidence time,
 2 sigma above and 2 sigma below the truth time.
- Dark hits with $\theta_{C \text{ Noise Hit}} < 1.2^* \theta_{C \max}$ are taken to be confused with true hits as a quick approximation of some pattern recognition.
 - Prevents dark hits far away from the true ring having large pull and ruining results
 - This should be taken as a "worst case", better fitting techniques will improve the noise rejection.





- Need relatively high index to get an appreciable amount of photons.
- However, heavy fluorocarbons are good refrigerants for a reason.
 - At room temperature, C4F10 cannot reach 3 bar without condensing.
 - Acquisition of C4F10 is also an issue
- C3F8 can be gaseous at 4 bar and 0° C, still widely produced for medical procedures.

5. Radiator

Density of superheated C₃F₈ [kg/m³]



- Index of 1.004 can provide ~15 photons in 20 cm at β =1. DELPHI gas had n = 1.00172
- How does index depend on temperature near the condensation point? Scales as density, not pressure.
 - Can gain a bit of index by cooling. Not beyond 20-30% though at reasonable pressures and temp. differences.
- If PFCs are banned, Xenon or a greener refrigerant may be an option.
- Gas characterization is part of the R&D that a detector like this would require.
 - Large phase space of similar heavy gases such as C4F8, C3F8O. Optical and thermodynamic properties need to be studied and optimized.

Is 3 bar possible with low material budget?

- Maybe, with a honeycomb/carbon-fiber gas volume.
 - Such a structure has been proposed for use in car bodies to increase strength and decrease weight compared to aluminum.
- Excellent thermally insulating properties compared to metals.
- Cylinders are inherently strong, although the seams may be an issue.
 - The volume from 50 cm to 90 cm in radius would be ~ 5m³ of gas
- Need to find out what the maximum pressure the SiPM windows can hold.





 σ_{Extra}^2 is a 3 mrad smear to compensate for inevitable tracking and emission point errors. Tracking error will be small in Si-tracker design. Emission point? Shorter radiator but more mirrors. Can a track that goes between mirrors be reconstructed? Depends on N_{pe}.

 $\sigma^2_{Chrom.}$ is inherent in the MC, photons are generated at wavelengths according to the efficiencies and that photons $\theta_{C obs.}$ is determined accordingly. Due to operating in the VIS, this term is subleading.

Efficiencies in Simulation

Efficiency	% of photons surviving (approx.)	50 (Ta=25 °C)
SiPM PDE (25° C)	~40% at peak (475 nm)	
Timing cuts	90%	20 40 S13615-1050N series
Mirror reflectivity	92%	30 automatic
Glass window transparency	89%	20 detection
PDE loss to a possible temperature/voltage operating point (0° C)	80%	10 513615-1025N series 0 200 300 400 500 600 700 800 900 1000
Total @ PDE peak	~25%	Wavelength (nm)

Baseline Detector Design in the following plots, parameters unless otherwise mentioned are:

C3F8 gas at 3 bar with n = 1.0033 1x1 mm SiPM, 100 kHz of dark rate, 20 cm length, 1.5T magnetic field

Species	Threshold P @ n = 1.0033 (GeV)
е	.06
рі	1.7
ka	6.1
р	11.6



Preliminary Results

All the following results are still a work in progress and are subject to change.

Also note that N_{sigma} in the following plots is calculated using average of the two peaks, not the wider peak as is sometimes done.

The fast simulation assumes track incidence on a spherical mirror with no aberrations, a more detailed study on possible mirror geometries will be necessary eventually.

For baseline configuration



Gas Options Comparison



temperature vs. N_{pe} and kaon threshold

Length Comparison



Rapidity Comparison



Pixel Size Comparison



Pressure Comparison



Roughly equal 3-sigma thresholds, $N_{pe} \propto pressure$

Note, DIRC 3- σ pi/k threshold at ~6 GeV. 3 Bar looks ok. In situ control of pressure and temperature would be nice.

B-Field Comparison



SiPM Time Res. Comparison @ 100 kHz Dark Rate



Dark Rate Comparison @ 100 ps Time Resolution



Impacts

Factor	Relative Impact on 3-Sigma thresholds	Relative Impact on N _{pe}
Length	Large but saturates	Large, Linear
Pressure	Small	Large, Linear
Gas	Small	Large
Pixel Size	Large for short length	Small, Packing efficiency can vary based on pixel size
Dark Rate (SiPM)	Very large	10% N _{pe} loss to timing cut may be able to be relaxed if dark rate is low
Timing Resolution (SiPM)	Very Large	10% N _{pe} loss to timing cut may be able to be relaxed if timing resolution is good
Magnetic Field	Large for long radiator, small for short radiator	None

In Summary

- Obviously SiPM R&D is a huge undertaking, if it succeeds and the dark counts can be controlled through the life of the experiment, then a detector design like this appears viable.
- N_{pe} needs to be high in a short radiator.
 - If one wants to reconstruct rings on top of SiPM dark counts, or rings split between two mirrors.
- Photocathode-coated MPGDs also need investigation as a back-up option in case the SiPMs cannot be made radiation hard or improved through annealing.

Preliminarily, a pi/k separation of 3 sigma up to ~15 GeV/c or more seems realistic **IF** background can be tamed. This complemented with low momentum PID could provide consistent positive PID up through 15 GeV/c. e/pi separation may supplement the low momentum eID. But no definitive statement can be made until these results are double and triple-checked.

In Conclusion

- To-Do
 - Further background investigation and implementation into the MC is ongoing.
 - Material budget also needs consideration.
 - Need to think about possible mirror configurations.
 - Study gas characteristics.
 - Need more info about alternative gases
 - Need to see if MPGDs are viable in C3F8
- Please suggest ways to improve the design and realism of the simulation! We're all ears.
 - As we all know, the devil is in the details.



Backups



Fig. 2. Photon yield for various scintillating gases excited by ¹⁶O ions of $E_{kin} = 80$ MeV. Intensities are normalized with respect to constant energy loss. A systematic error of about 50% has to be attributed to the absolute yield.

Dark Rates

20C of cooling gives factor of ~16 reduction in dark count, ~5.6 kHz typical, ~16.9 kHz max for S13615

How well can we control the overvoltage, what is the effect on PDE?



Electrical and optical characteristics (Typ. Ta=25 °C, unless otherwise noted)

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