# **RICH detectors with aerogel**

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Optical properties of aerogel → radiator of RICH
 contributions to δθ<sub>c</sub> from aerogel in a RICH
 performance of the aerogel focalized RICH of HERMES
 HERMES RICH long-term performance stability
 performance of the aerogel focalized RICH-1 of LHCb
 BELLE: aerogel radiator in a proximity focus RICH

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#### Aerogel RICH story: optical property improvemets vs time



#### improve of transmittance: n=1.03, t=1cm



wavelength (nm)

year	A	С	producer	Λ <b>(</b> 0.4μm)
'07			Novosibirsk	5 cm
'02	0.96	0.005	Novosibirsk	4 cm
'96	0.95	0.01	<b>Matsus</b> hita	2.3 cm
'80	0.8	0.02	Airglass	1 cm

Λ attenuation length '95 T.Ypsilantis, J.Seguinot, NIMA368(1995) '96: first focalized RICH with aerogel at CERN CERN-Bari-Milan-Rome- coll. @ PS-T9 beam



#### '96: 5cm of Matsushita aerogel, $\pi^-$ 10GeV/c





#### **RICH:** SemiInclusiveDIS ('98 - '07) 2)



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 $Z = E_{\rm h}/v$ 

#### '97: the HERMES dual radiator RICH proposal





- focalized R = 2.2 m
- n(aerogel)=1.03,  $\theta_{c}$ =242 mrad
- $n(C_4F_{10}) = 1.00137$
- Npe (aeroge) = 10
- $\delta\theta/\theta(/ring) = 1.2\% (4.1\% / pe)$
- $\delta \theta$ (/ring) = 3 mrad
- $\theta_{C}^{\pi} \theta_{C}^{k} (4 \text{GeV}, n = 1.03) = 9 \text{ mrad}$

#### **Designing a RICH**

#### Aerogel wall



- Array of 425 tiles/half
- Stacks of 5 tiles
- Black tedlar foil around edges
- Lucite end window
- Dry N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere



<sup>ere</sup> Dry N<sub>2</sub> flow in aerogel! Hydrophobic aerogel from Matsus<u>hita</u> !



#### **Designing a RICH**

#### Mirror array

- Spherical array
- $4 \times 2$  mirror segments
- Focal length = 110 cm
- Graphite fibre composite





#### **Designing a RICH**

#### Photon detector

- Based on SELEX design
- 1934 PMTs/half in hexagonal close-pack
- Philips XP1911/UV green enhanced
- Soft steel matrix for magnetic shielding

# 0.75" PMT → dominant pixel contrib.



λ (nm)

#### **Photon detector**

#### Photon detector PMT photo eathede Light collecting funnels to cover 92% of focal PMT funn plane 15 mm PMT 23.3 mm Efficiency 6 Total 0.8 3-bounce A 2-bounce 0.7 funnels: 0.6 □ 1-bounce 0.5 n Direct pixel contrib.even larger! OCCORCE OCO 0.4 <sup>1</sup>Singlesse 0.3 0.2 0.1 0

Incident angle (rad)

#### **Photon detector**

#### Read-out system

- PCOS4 system Like MCs
- Digital read-out
- Threshold = 0.1 p.e.



#### PMT's: fired-not fired!





hermes







hermes



12 km of cables









hermes

#### **Timelines**

- November 96: original discussions
- December 96: first HERMES RICH-meeting
- March 97: proposal accepted by HERMES
- Spring-summer 97:
- Autumn 97: test aerogel-PMT prototype @ CERN
- March 98: test PMTs
- Easter 98: start assembly
- May 98: install 2 RICH-detectors
- August 98: first rings



#### **Recognizing rings**

- Difficult alignment procedure
  - aerogel tiles
  - mirror position, tilt, segments
  - focal plane



#### **Recognizing rings**

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misidentified as

Difficult alignment procedure

aerogel tiles

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mirror position, tilt, segments π focal plane ٩ Reconstruction of Čerenkov angles: IRT, DRT TOP RICH 0.8  $\mathsf{P}^{\pi}_{\pi}$  $\mathsf{P}^{\pi}_{\mathsf{K}}$  $\mathsf{P}^{\pi}_{\mathsf{P}}$ 0.6 0.4 0.2 Q π 0.8  $P_{\pi}^{K}$ P<sub>p</sub><sup>k</sup> 0.6 Pĸ BOTTOM RICH 0.4 0.2 0.8 P<sup>ρ</sup><sub>π</sub> Ρĸ 0.6 0.4 Κ 0.2 0 5 10 15 10 5 10 5 15 15 P (GeV)

#### nov. '98



#### HERA experiments get RICH

#### **GRAN SASSO**

The Italian laboratory's MACRO muon detector is adding to the evidence for neutrino oscillations

#### HIGH-ENERGY CULTURE

Why is it so difficult to convey the excitement of new developments in quantum physics to the layman?

#### PARTICLES FOR EXPORT

In the quest to understand neutrinos, particle beams from CERN may be fired 730 kilometres to Italy

#### Cher. $\gamma$ 's $\rightarrow$ photoelectrons



 $T \rightarrow$ 

#### geometrical contributions to $\delta \theta_{\mathbf{C}}$

1) pixel 
$$\left(\frac{\delta\theta}{\theta}\right)_{\text{pixel}} = \left(\frac{D}{4R}\right) = 2.30 \% /\text{pe}$$

2) focal plane

a) 
$$(\vartheta\theta/\theta)_{\text{opt.aber.}} = (d/R)^2 = 0.5\%$$



 $\vartheta\theta = \sigma/2R(\vartheta\theta/\theta)_{\text{surf.imp.}} = 0.3 \%$ 

a)+b)  $(\vartheta\theta/\theta)_{\text{mirror}} = 0.6 \% / \text{pe}$ 

0.016 0.014 0.012 mirror alignment<sup>\*</sup>

3) point emiss.  $(\vartheta\theta/\theta)_{\text{point}} = 0.7 \% / \text{pe}$ 

## aerogel opt. properties contrib.s to $\delta \theta_{\textit{C}}$

- $\cdot$  1) n dispersion in the different tiles
- 2) chromatic dispersion  $n(\lambda)$
- 3) forward scattering
- 4) tile surface irregularities

aerogel Selected 850 tiles over 1200 11x11x1 cc from Matsushita 2 planes, 5 rows, 17 columns, 5 layers



one aerogel radiator

Optical characterization of n=1.3 aerogel of the HERMES RICH E.Aschenauer et al., Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A440 (2000) 338

#### 1) n dispersion (633 nm)



#### 2) chromatic dispers.: n ( $\lambda$ ) meas.



# 3) forward scattering

- due to large inhomogeneities (a\_{c}) of  $\epsilon$ , mostly on the surfaces
- responsible of fuzzy vision of objects through aerogel
- influence dNpe/d9 not Npe
- forward peaked (≠ Rayleigh isotropic)
- dep. on pH of solvent used in gel



# 4) surface irregularities



# exp.- calc. angle resolution (%)

- Pixel
- Mirror
- Point emiss.

2.3

1.3

0.4

0.4

- n disp.
- Chromatic
- Forw.Scatt.
- Surface
- Total (calc.)/pe 2.9
- Total (exp.)/pe 3.3
- Npe (exp.) 10

















 $\theta_{C ring} \rightarrow n (e^+ > 5GeV) plot vs day$ 



average n (e<sup>+</sup>>5GeV)



 $\Delta n \approx 1*10^{-4}$  in the last 5 years!

#### pe reconst.starting point distribution

3055

e > 5 GeV



#### The LHCb detector

Forward spectrometer (running in pp collider mode). A dedicated B-physics experiment at the LHC





K/ $\pi$  separation 2-150 GeV/c

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#### The RICH Radiators

Neville HARNEW, RICH2007 15-20 October, Trieste



#### RICH-1 LHCb





BINP-Novosibirsk: 20x20x4 cm<sup>3</sup> n=1.03 hygroscopic A=0.96 C=0.005 (t=4 cm) Λ (400 nm) = 4 cm The PhotoDetectors



ØBialkali Photocath. D=110 mm, QE(320nm)>20%
ØOverall D=125 mm 82% active area
Ø voltage -16 KV
ØElectron optics: cross-focussed
Ø demagnification 2.3
ØAnode: Si pixel :1 mm x 1 mm (320x32 matrix) 2048 pixels, size at photocath. 2.5 x 2.5 mm<sup>2</sup>



pixels, size 2.3 x 2.3 mm<sup>2</sup>

#### 4 HPD & AEROGEL from Novosibirsk: test beam C.Matteuzzi, INFN Milano



	N <sub>pe</sub> yiel	d
	No filter	Filter D263 (0.3 mm)
4 cm DATA MC	9.7 11.5	6.3 7.4
8 cm DATA MC	12.2 14.7	9.4 10.1

t=4 cm Npe  $\sim 10$ 

#### Angular resolution



δθ/θ(/pe)(%) and Npe for HERMES with old (t=5cm A=2.3 cm) and new (t=4cm A=4cm) n=1.03 aerogel old (1") and new (2.5x2.5mm<sup>2</sup>) pixel size

	old	new	<sup>30</sup> E						
• Pixel	2.3-	-0.3	E						1
• Mirror	0.6	0.5	25				•		-
• Point emiss.	0.7	0.6	:						1
• n disp.	0.5	0.5	20 -		ne	w•			-
Chromatic	1.3	1.4←	E						
• Forw.Scatt.	0.4	0.4	Npe		•		HER	MES	-
• Surface	0.4	0.4	i			e	T.		
• Total (calc.)/pe	2.9	1.8	10				RMES	Fxp	-
• Total (exp.)/pe	3.3	(2.0)	-	•					
• Npe (calc.)	12	18	5	ø					-
• Npe (exp.)	10	(15)							1
• Total /ring	1.1	0.55	0		2 4	₄ t(c	:m) (	8	1U
<b>6</b> σ <b>k/</b> π sep. (4 GeV) 47									

#### BELLE upgrade (KEK $L=10^{34} \rightarrow \approx 2*10^{35}$ )



#### BELLE Aerogel RICH R&D

#### Chiba-KEK-Nagoya-Ljubljana coll.

focusing

proximity focus



#### '02 beam test results

- New aerogel from Matsushita & Chiba-U.
- $\Lambda(400nm) = 3 \text{ cm}, n = 1.05, t = 2 \text{ cm}$
- H8500-M64 PMT flat panel, 6x6 mm2 pixel,
- very clean rings observed !
- $\delta \vartheta / \vartheta = 4.5$ %/pe, Npe = 6.3,  $\delta \vartheta (/ring) = 5.6$ mrad
- $\theta_{\pi}$ - $\theta_k$  (4GeV, n=1.05) = 23 mrad  $\rightarrow$  4  $\sigma$  sep. possible
- $\delta \theta/\theta(/pe)$  accounted by point-emiss. & pixel contr.s





#### **RICH** with Multilayer Radiators

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- Demonstration of principle
  - 4×4 array of H8500 (85% effective area)





 $\pi/K$  separation with focusing configuration ~ 4.8 $\sigma$  @4GeV/c

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# n multilayer aerogel



# aerogel RICH summary

aeroRICH	CERN-test	HERMES	HER(new	) BELLI	E BELLE	
year	<b>'96</b>	<b>'98</b>	<b>'02</b>	<b>'04</b>	<b>'07</b>	
type	foc.	foc.	foc.	prox.	prox-2lay	<b>.</b> S
n	1.03	1.031	1.03	1.05	1.047-1.057	7
<b>Λ (cm)</b>	2.3	2.3	4	4.5	5	1
t (cm)	5	5	4	2	2	ļ
δθ/θ (%)(/pe)	8	3.3	(2.0)	4.5	4.6	
Npe	12.8	10	(15)	6.3	10	
δθ/θ (%)(/ring	g) <b>2.3</b>	1.1	(0.55)	1.9	1.5	