



# The RICH Detector of the NA62 Experiment at CERN

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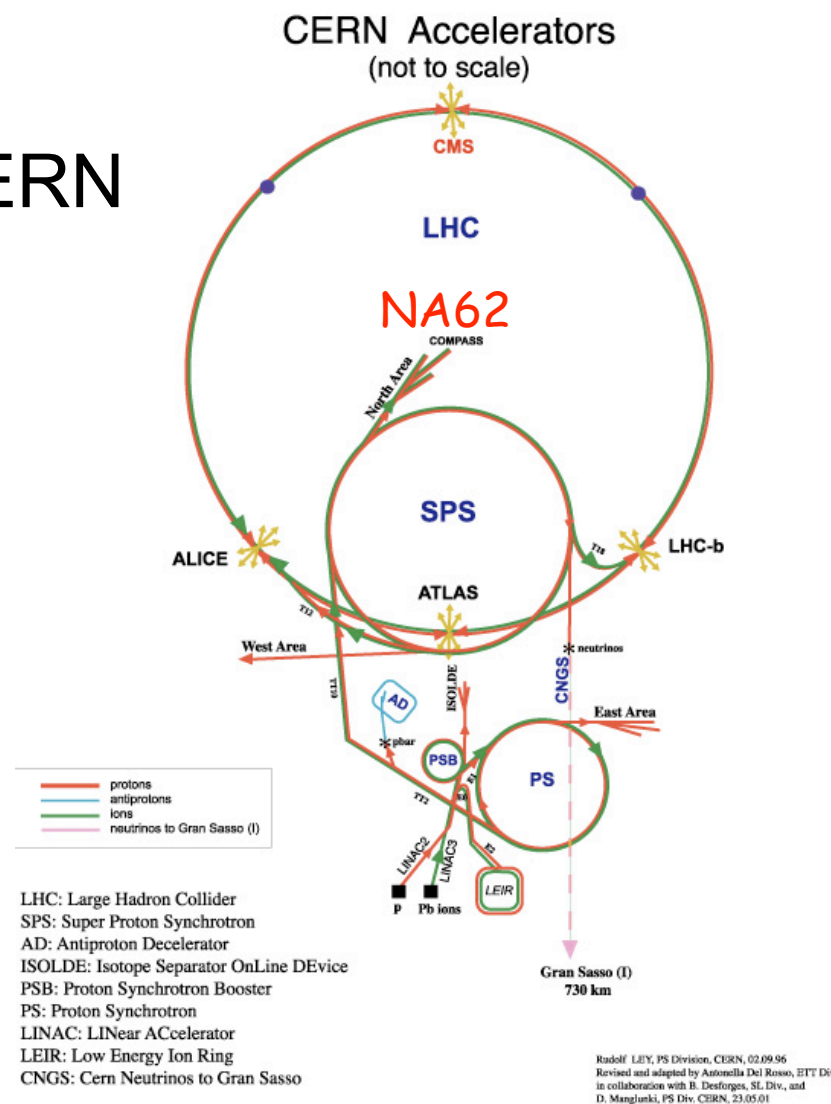
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# OUTLINE



- The NA62 experiment at CERN
- A RICH detector for NA62
- The RICH prototype:  
final test beam results
- Summary and Outlook



The NA62 Collaboration: Bern ITP, Birmingham, Bristol, CERN, Dubna, Fairfax, Ferrara, Florence, Frascati, Glasgow, IHEP Protvino, INR Moscow, Liverpool, Louvain, Mainz, Merced, Napoli, Perugia, Pisa, Roma I, Roma II, San Luis Potosi, SLAC, Sofia, TRIUMF, Turin

# The NA62 Experiment at CERN



NA62: the next generation fixed target kaon experiment at CERN  
aiming at a 10% precision measurement of  $\text{BR}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})$

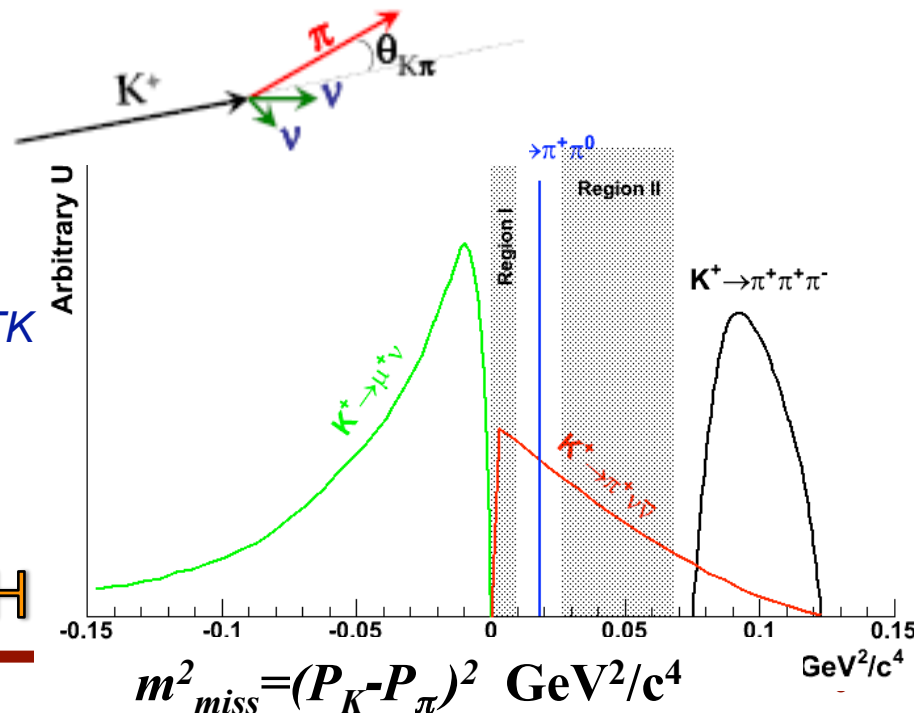
- “Golden” channel, theoretically very clean, sensitive to physics beyond SM
- $\text{BR}_{\text{TH}}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) = (8.5 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-11}$  SM@NLO (*PRD78, arXiv:0805.4119*)
- $\text{BR}_{\text{EXP}}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) = (1.73^{+1.15}_{-1.05}) \times 10^{-10}$  E787/E949@BNL (*PRL101, arXiv:0808.2459*)
- Main background events:  $\text{BR}(K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu) = 63.4\%$  ,  $\text{BR}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0) = 21\%$

NA62 goal:  $\sim 100 K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$  events in 2 years (starting in 2013)  
 $\sim 10\%$  background (signal acceptance  $\sim 10\%$  )

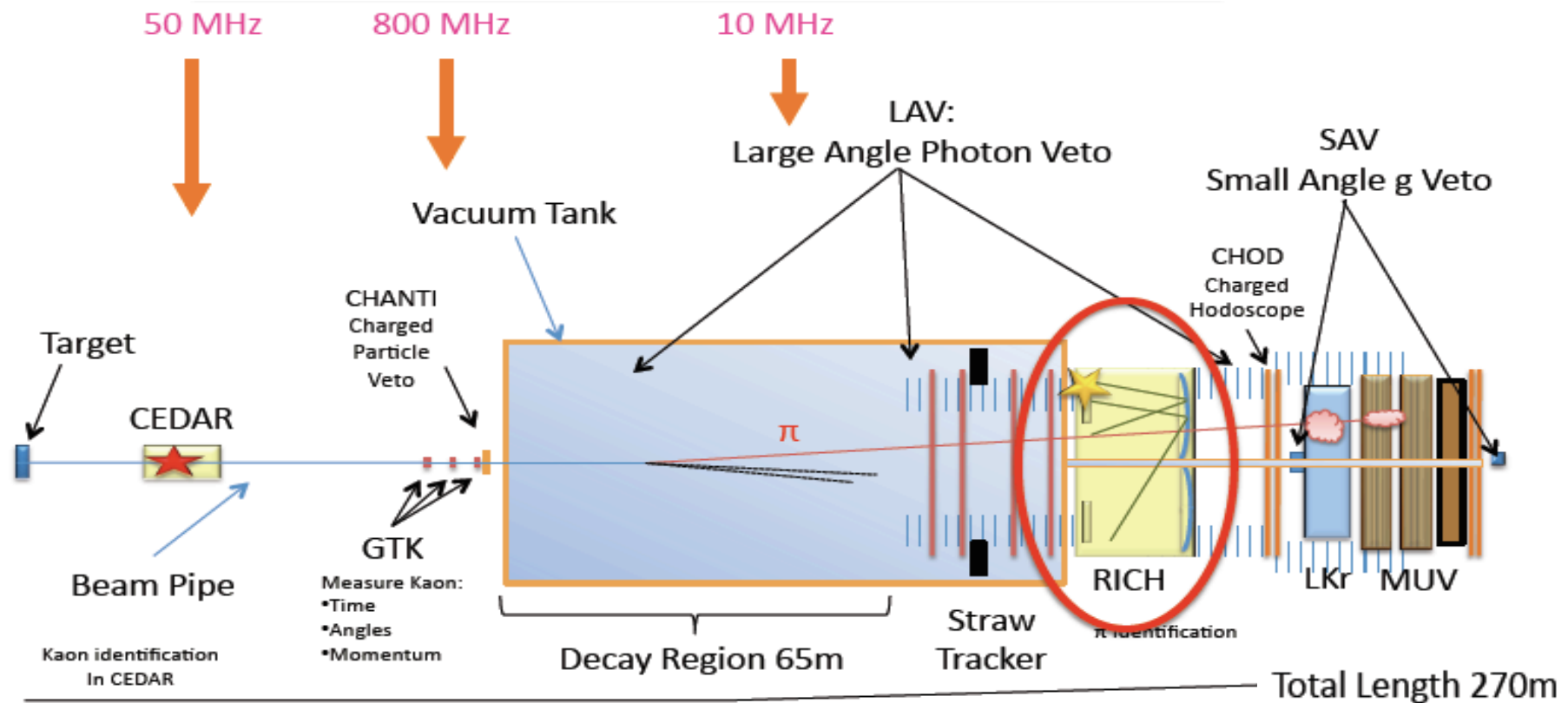
➡ RICH needed to suppress  $K_{\mu 2}$  decays

## REQUIREMENTS:

- $K_{\mu 2}$  rejection factor of at least  $10^{-12}$ 
  - Kinematics :  $\sim 10^{-5} \rightarrow$  *Straw Tracker + GTK*
  - Veto for  $\mu$ :  $\sim 10^{-5} \rightarrow$  *Muon Veto*
  - Particle ID:  $\mu$  suppression factor  $\leq 10^{-2}$
- Precise  $\pi$ -K coincidence timing
  - Time resolution:  $\leq 100$  ps



# The NA62 detector layout

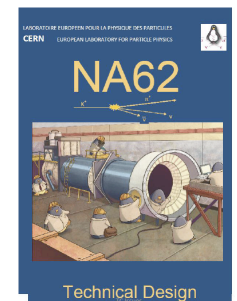


SPS primary proton beam: 400 GeV,  $\sim 5 \times 10^{12}$  ppp → expected signal events  $\sim 50/\text{year}$

Decay in flight technique, unseparated beam  $\pi/K/p$  ( $\sim 6\% K^+$ )

Kaon momentum: 75 GeV/c ( $\Delta p/p \sim 1\%$ ), Kaon flux  $\sim 4.8 \times 10^{12}$  decay/year

(1 "year": 100 days/year, 60% overall efficiency)







# The NA62 RICH Detector

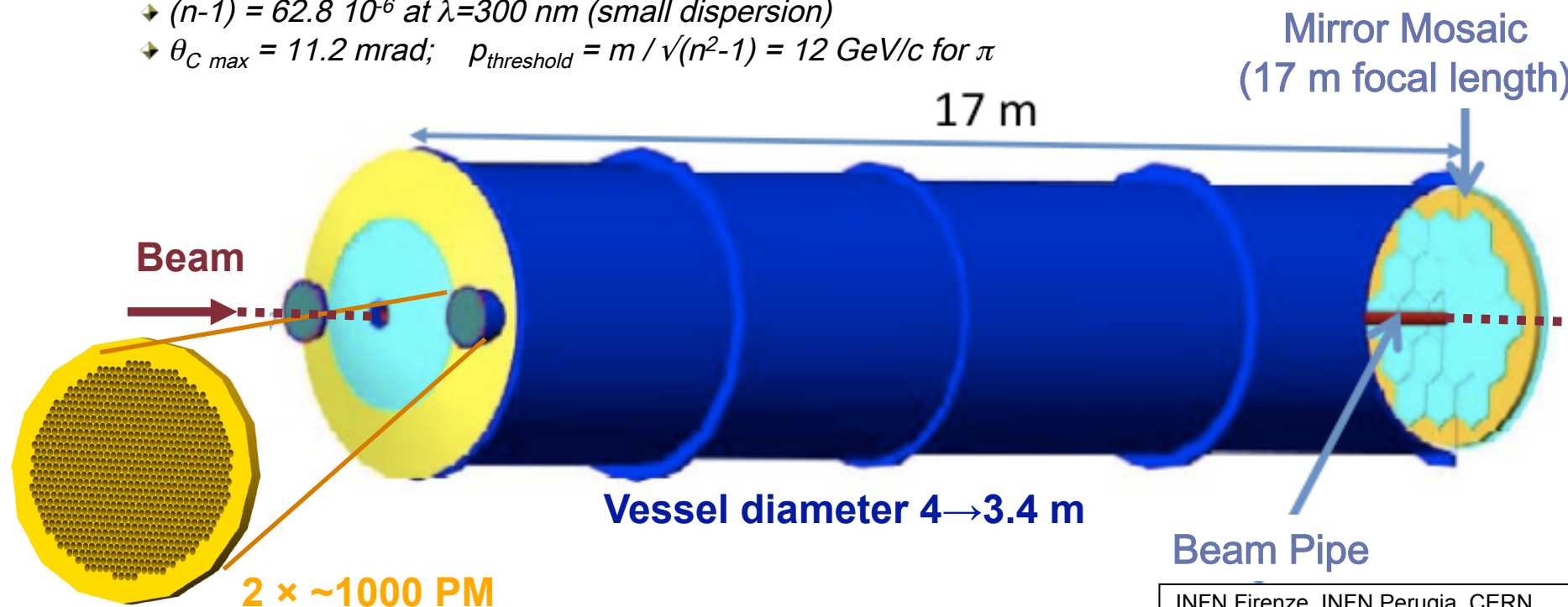


## THE NA62 RICH REQUIREMENTS:

- ➡ Separate  $\pi$ - $\mu$  in  $15 < p < 35$  GeV/c with  $\mu$  suppression factor  $\leq 10^{-2}$
- ➡ Measure pion crossing time with a resolution  $< 100$  ps
- ➡ Provide the L0 trigger for charged tracks

Neon gas at atmospheric pressure is used as radiator (non-flammable):

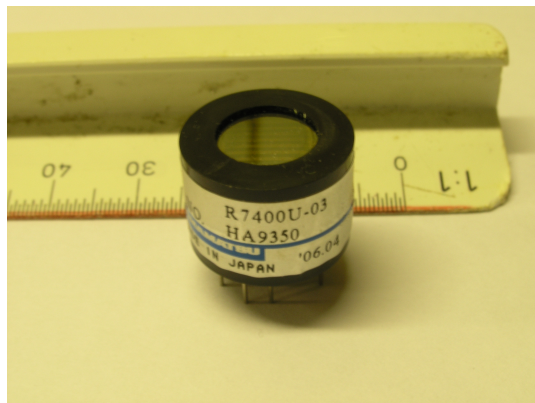
- appropriate refractive index at atmospheric pressure, low atomic weight to minimize radiation length
- good light transparency in visible and near-UV, low chromatic dispersion
- $(n-1) = 62.8 \cdot 10^{-6}$  at  $\lambda=300$  nm (small dispersion)
- $\theta_{C \max} = 11.2$  mrad;  $p_{\text{threshold}} = m / \sqrt{(n^2-1)} = 12$  GeV/c for  $\pi$



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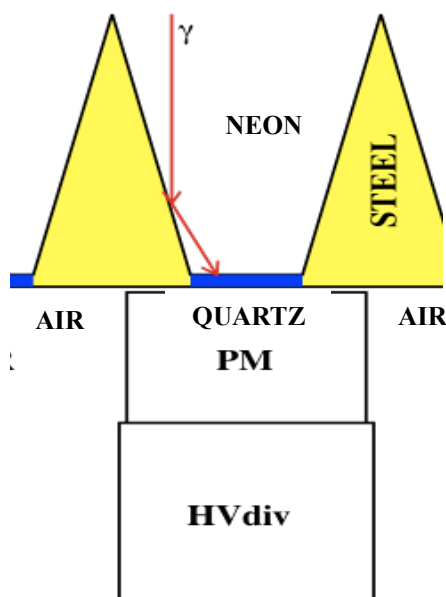


# The light detection



## Hamamatsu R7400 U03 Photomultiplier

- Fast single anode photomultiplier
- Metal package tube, bialkali cathode, 8 dynodes
- UV glass window, 16 mm  $\phi$  (8 mm active  $\phi$ )
- Sensitivity range 185–650 nm, **420 nm** peak sensitivity
- Gain: minimum  **$7 \times 10^5$**  @800 V ( **$\sim 1.5 \times 10^6$**  @900 V)
- Transit time: **5.4 ns**, transit time spread: **0.28 ns**
- Operating Voltage: **900 V** (1000 V maximum)

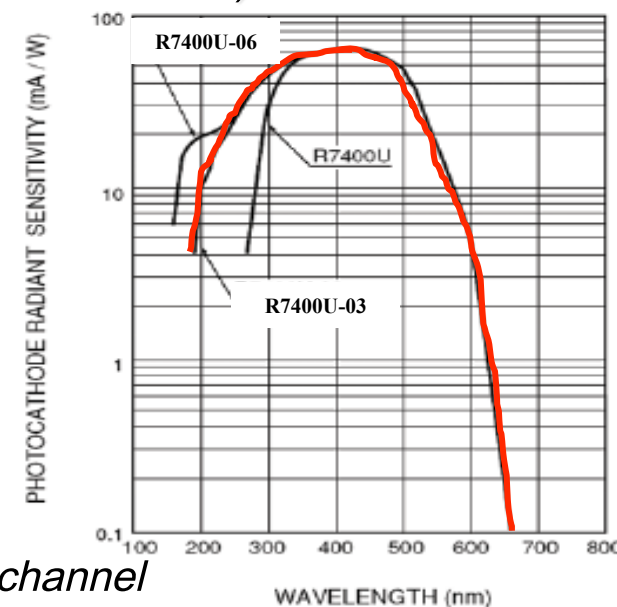


## Light Collection

- Winston Cones covered with aluminized Mylar foils
- 22 mm high
- 7.5 to 18 mm wide
- 1 mm thick quartz window

## HV CAEN System

- 4 PMT supplied by a single HV channel
- SY1527 (16 slots), SY2527 (6 slot) main frames
- A1733N (12 ch.) and A1535S (24 ch.) board



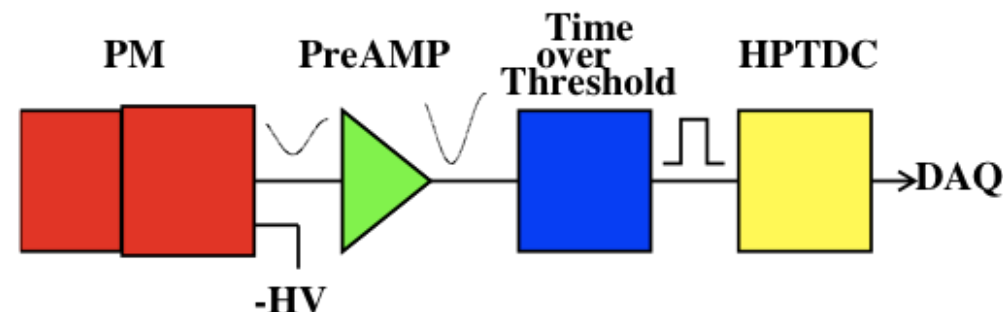


# Front End and Readout



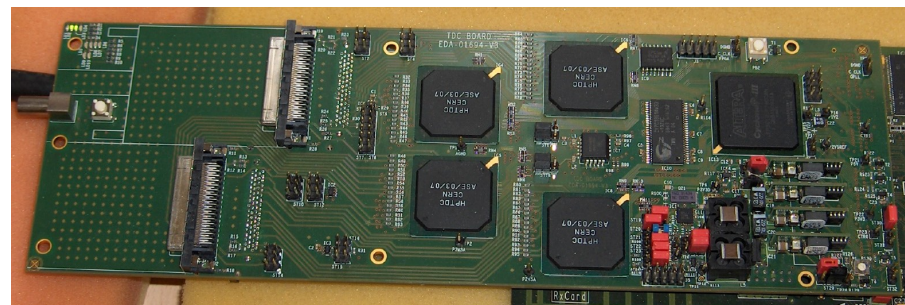
## Front End:

- Custom made current amplifier
- NINO ASIC as fast Time-over-Threshold discriminator (from ALICE): LVDS output, 50 ps intrinsic resolution
- Signal leading and trailing edge recorded for time slewing correction



## Readout: based on TDC Boards

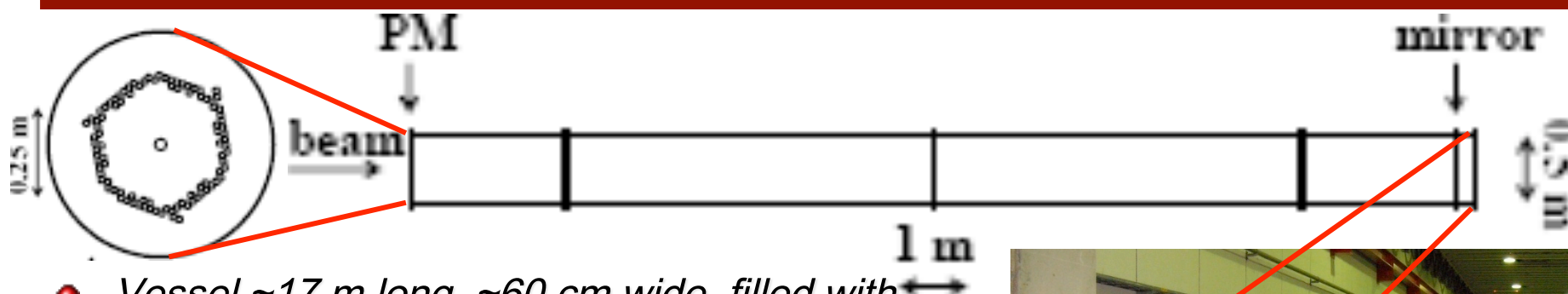
- A board (**TDCB**) equipped with **128 ch.** of TDC (HPTDC, 100 ps LSB) has been developed by INFN Pisa
- A FPGA based **TEL62** mother board (development of TELL1 boards from LHCb) houses 4 TDCB (**512 ch.**)
- The trigger primitives are built in parallel with the readout on the same TEL62 board (**1 MHz input** to L1, implemented in software)
- The TDC CAEN V1190 (based on HPTDC, 97.7 ps LSB, 128ch) was used for test purposes







# The NA62 RICH prototype



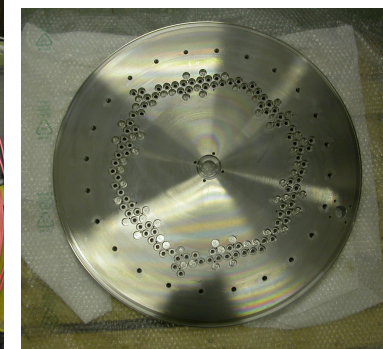
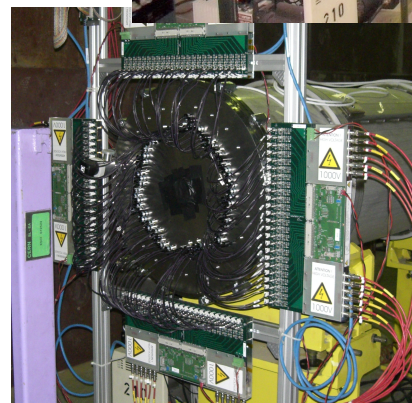
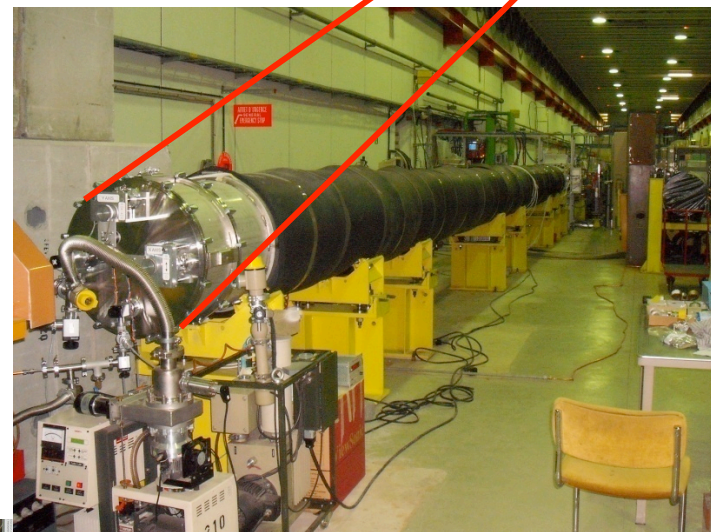
- Vessel ~17 m long, ~60 cm wide, filled with Neon gas at ~1 atmosphere
- One single mirror (MARCON), 2.5 cm thick glass, 50 cm diameter, 17 m focal length

## Test beam 2007: RICH-100 prototype

- 96 PMT Hamamatsu R7400 U03/U06
- 200 GeV hadron beam
- Test results in agreement with MC expectation:
  - ➡ Number of PM hit per event  $N_{\text{Hits}} \approx 17$
  - ➡ Time resolution  $\Delta t_{\text{Event}} \approx 70 \text{ ps}$
  - ➡ Cherenkov angle resolution  $\Delta \theta_c \approx 50 \mu \text{ rad}$
  - ➡ NIM A 593 (2008) 314

## Test beam 2009: RICH-400 prototype

- 414 PMT Hamamatsu R7400 U03
- ➡ Final results will be shown here



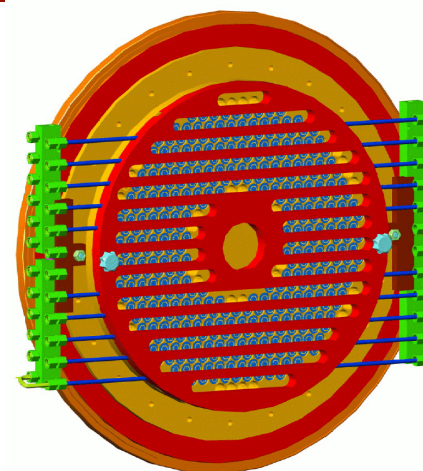
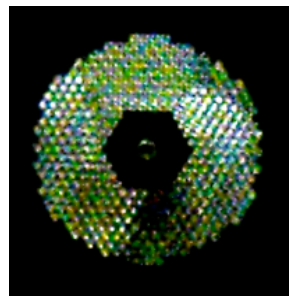




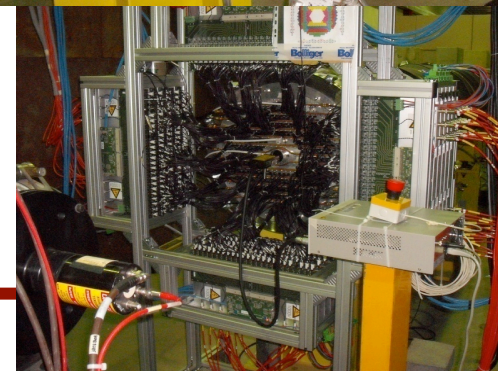
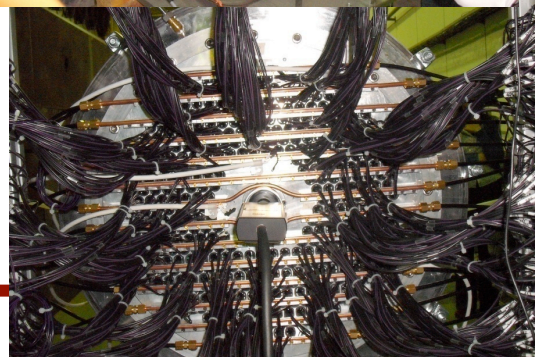
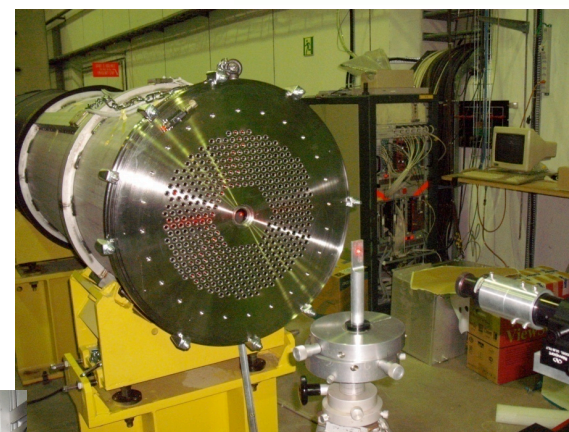
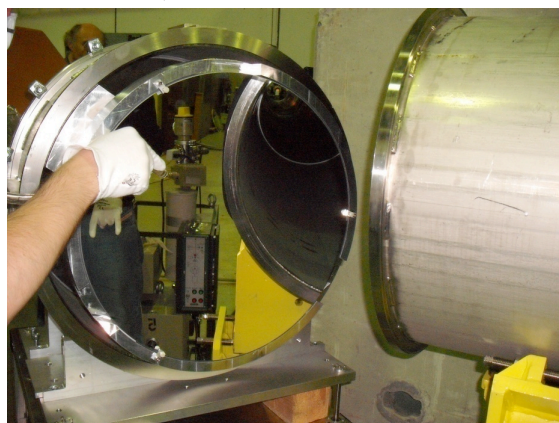
# The RICH-400 prototype



- PM endcap with 414 PM (~20% of final detector)
- Test Beam in may-june 2009, aiming at:
  - *Validate  $\pi$ - $\mu$  separation @  $15 < p < 35$  GeV/c*
  - *Test PM cooling system*
  - *Test new mirror*
  - *Test new readout (Tell1 based)*



 **NIM A 621 (2010)**





# RICH-400: test program

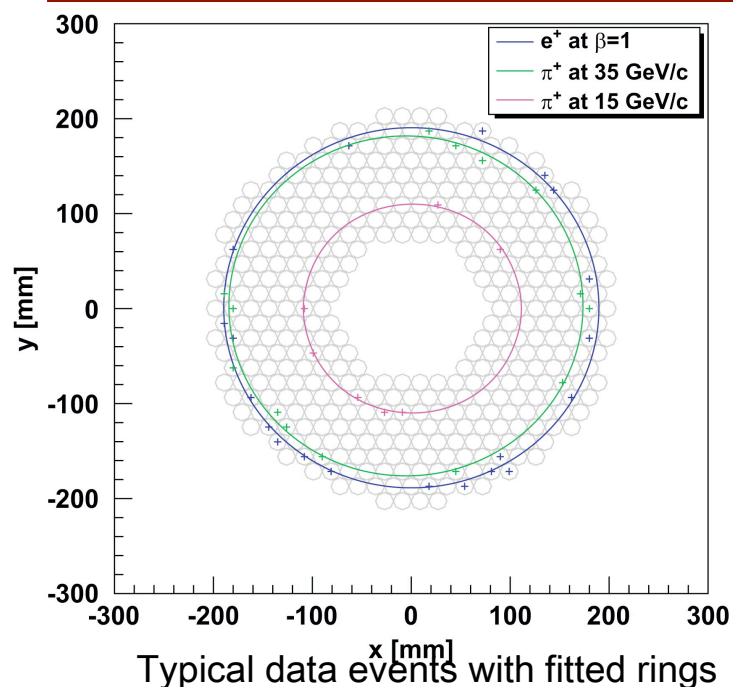


- Beam: mainly  $\pi^+$ , 15% p, few %  $K^+$ , variable % of  $e^+$ 
  - ◆ 1.5%  $\Delta p/p$ , negligible angular spread
- Momentum range: 10 to 75 GeV/c
- Many momentum points to measure  $\mu$ - $\pi$  separation using only  $\pi$ : each next point is a  $\pi$  with the same  $\beta$  of the  $\mu$  of the actual point ( $\mu$ - $\pi$  equivalent)
  - ◆ 1° scan: 15.2, 20.1, 26.5, 35.0, 46.2, 61.2 GeV/c
  - ◆ 2° scan: 17.7, 23.4, 31.0, 41.0, 54.2 GeV/c
  - ◆ 3° scan: 28.7, 38.0, 50.3 GeV/c
- Test prototype performance under different conditions:
  - ◆ Moving the mirror, different rates, different Tell1 firmware versions, polluting the gas (air and CO<sub>2</sub>), etc
- Repeat measurements with the new mirror (final device, made by Marcon, aluminized and coated at CERN):
- Special runs:
  - ◆ check trigger algorithms and accidentals at higher intensities
  - ◆ measure efficiency for ring fitting methods





# Number of PM hits

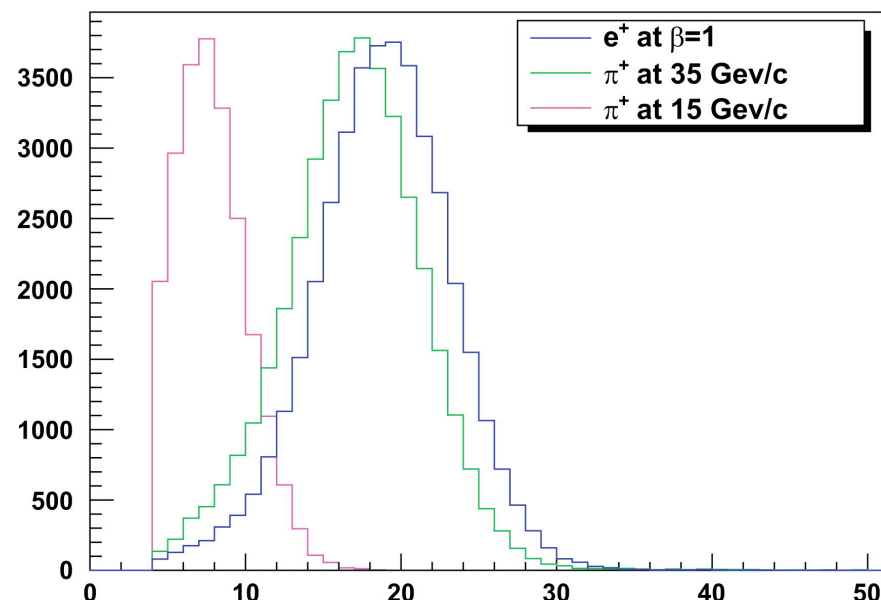


Positrons  
at  $\beta=1$

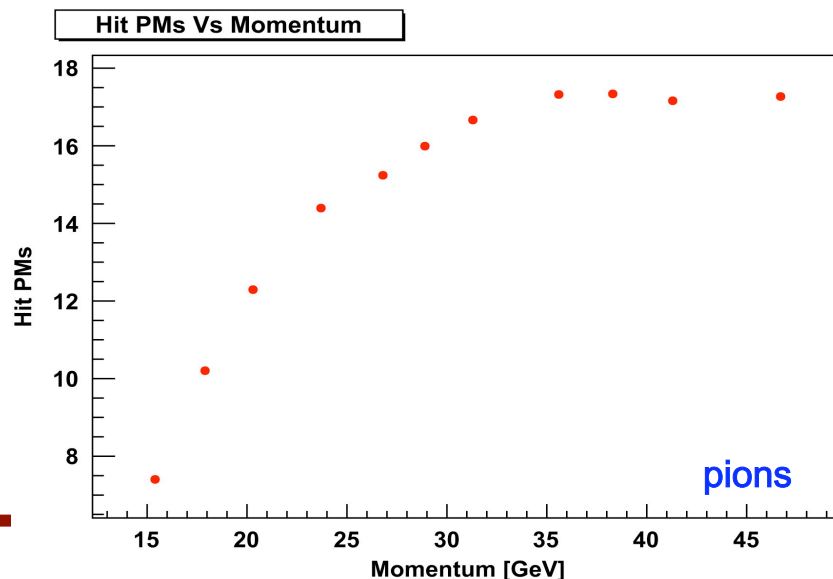
Pions at  
35 GeV/c

Pions at  
15 GeV/c

NHits Vs Ring Radius



Number of hit PMs for a single ring  
(cut at 4 due to the software trigger algorithm)



Pions at 15 GeV/c:  $N_{\text{Hit PM}} \approx 8$

Pions at 35 GeV/c:  $N_{\text{Hit PM}} \approx 17$

Positrons at  $\beta=1$ :  $N_{\text{Hit PM}} \approx 20$

Results in agreement with MC expectations

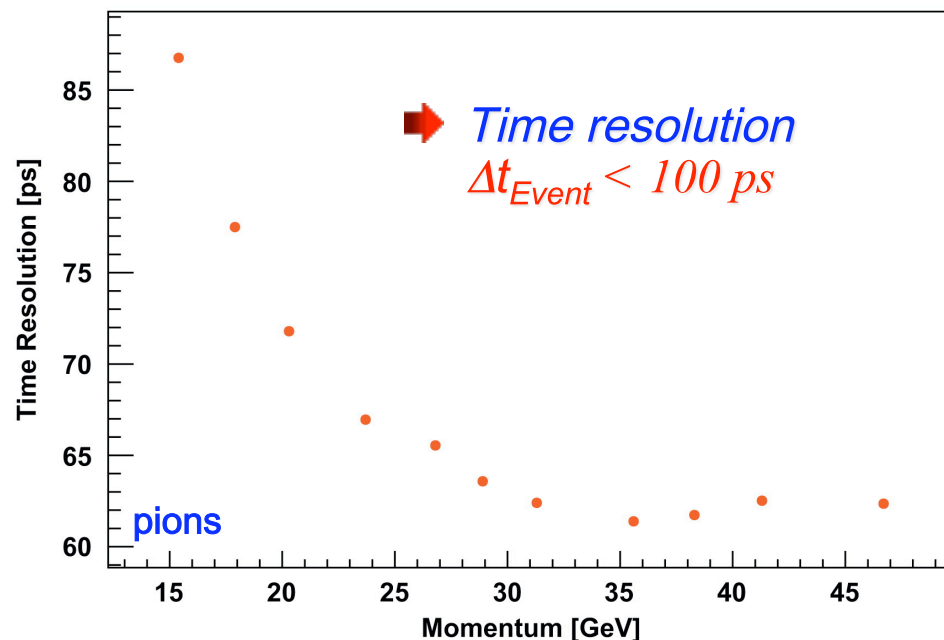
Average number of hit PMs for a single ring as a  
function of momentum in the range 15-35 GeV/c



# Timing and Cherenkov angle

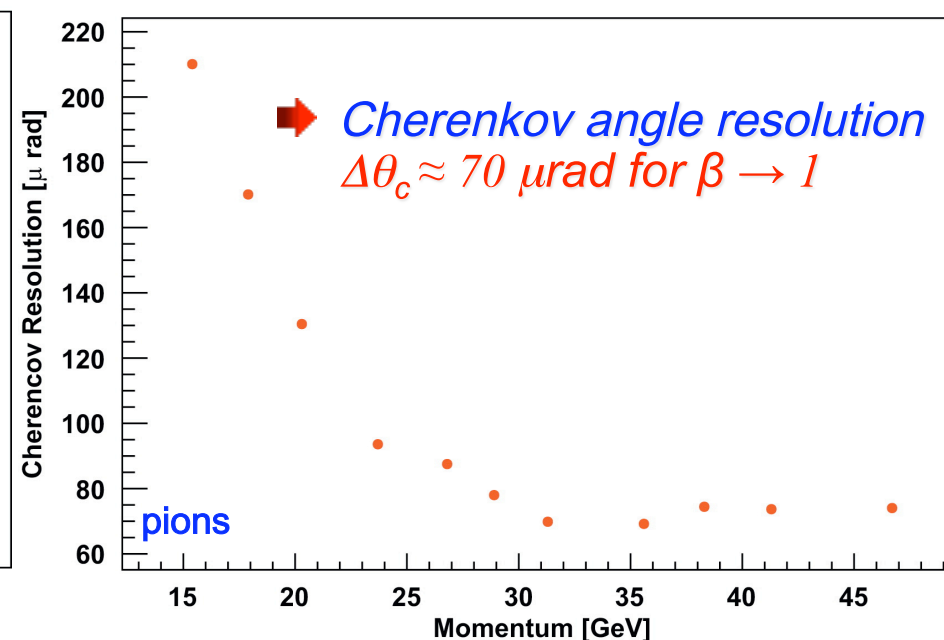


Time Resolution Vs Momentum



Time resolution as a function of the  $\pi$  momentum:  
average root mean square of the selected hit time  
with respect to the average hit time

Cherenkov Resolution Vs Momentum

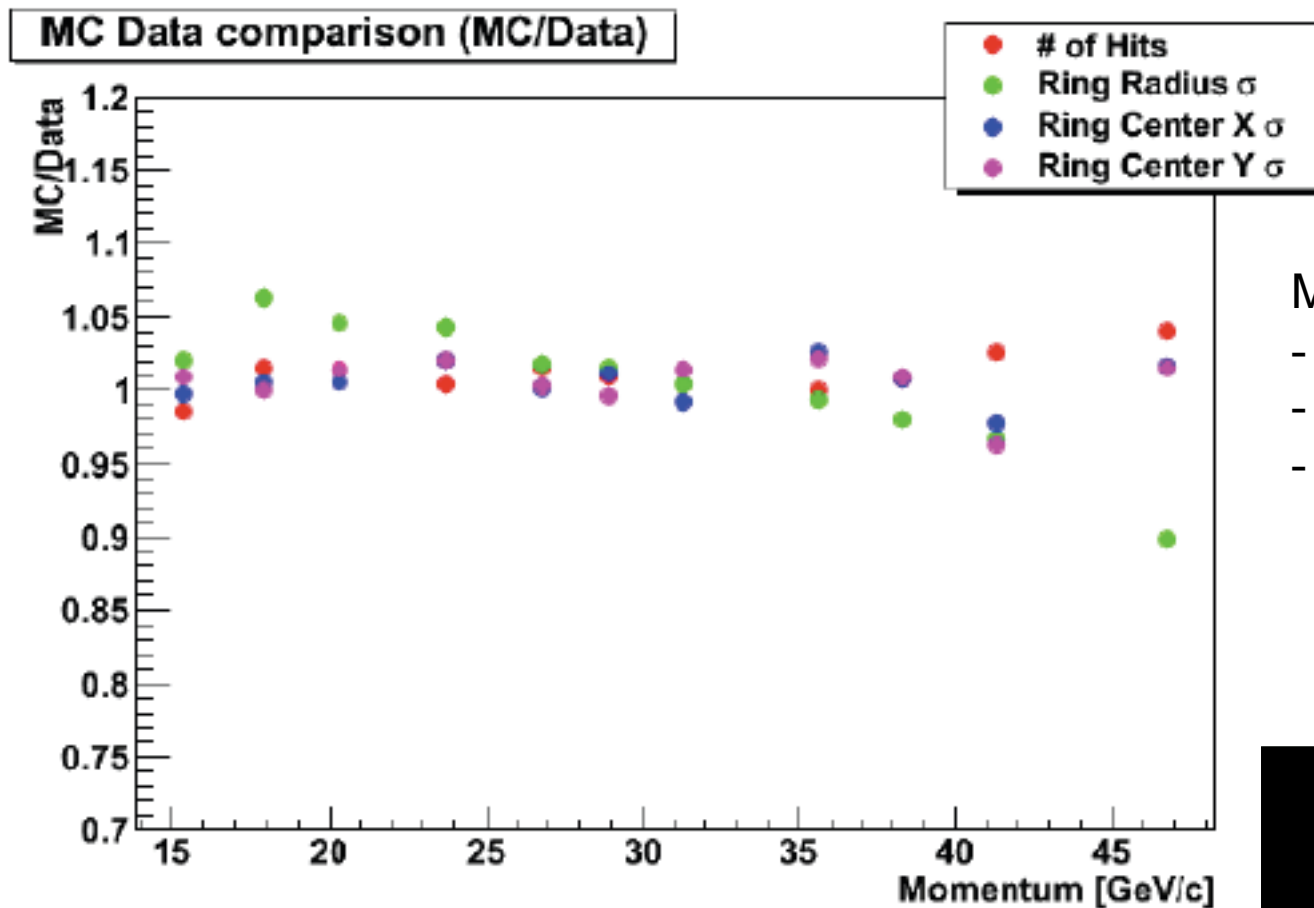


Cherenkov angle resolution as a function of the  $\pi$  momentum: the standard deviation  $\sigma$  is estimated  
by a Gaussian fit to the radius distribution

- The results fulfill the requirement for the NA62 RICH detector and are compatible with those of the 2007 beam test held at CERN
- The same results are obtained using both the standard readout system and the new readout prototype
- Data are in agreement with Montecarlo simulation



# Simulation/Data Comparison

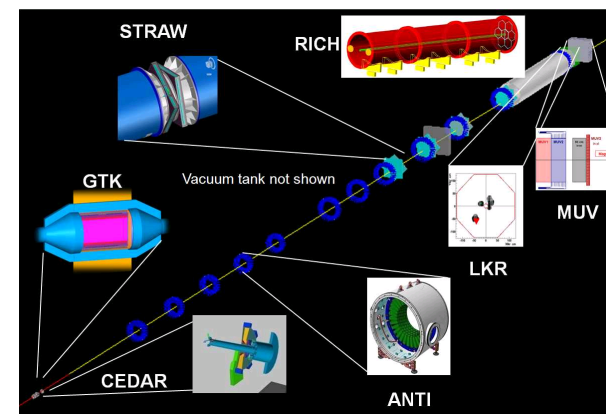


MC/Data ratio for:

- Hit PM number
- Ring radius  $\sigma$
- Ring center  $\sigma_x$  and  $\sigma_y$

NA62 Detector Simulation: GEANT4 based

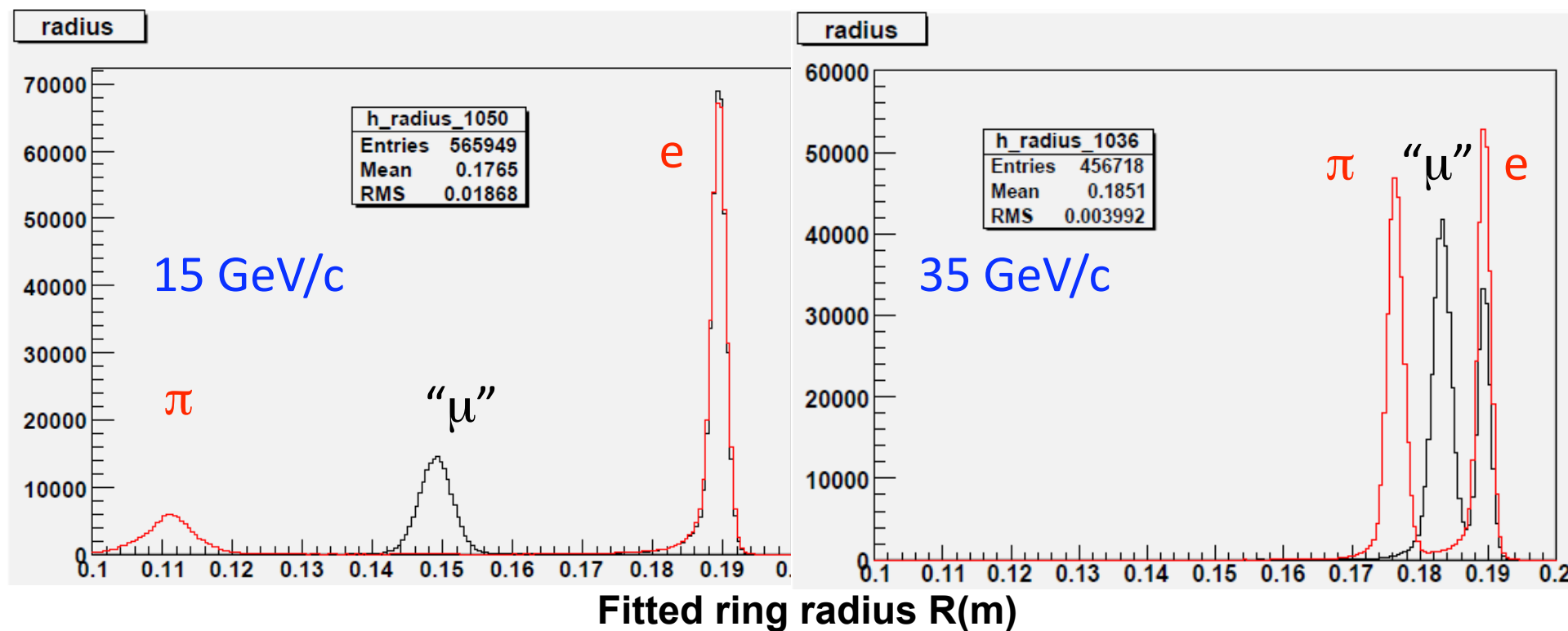
➔ RICH beam test results in good agreement with Monte Carlo simulation expectations in 15-35 GeV/c







# RICH-400: $\pi$ - $\mu$ separation



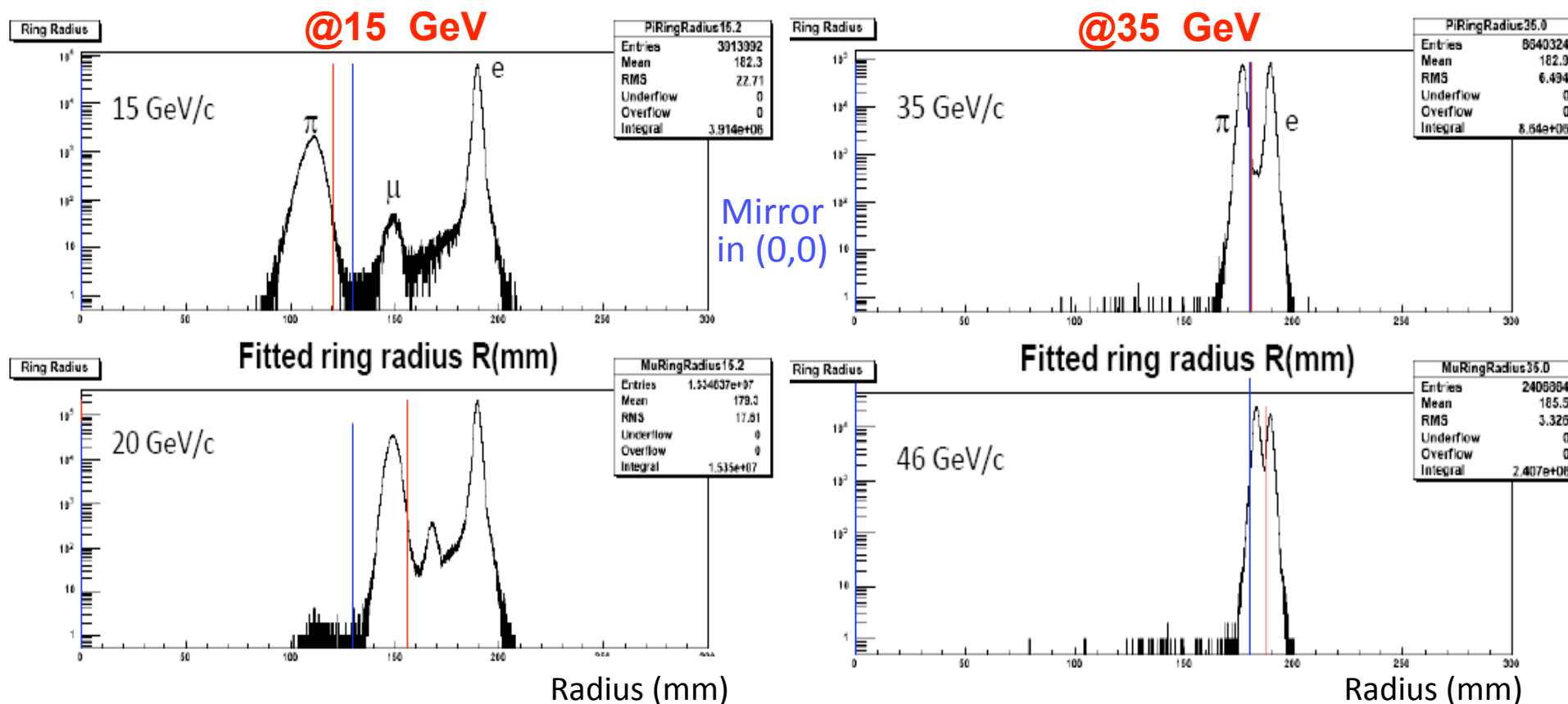
The " $\mu$ " is a  $\pi$  with the same  $\beta$  as a  $\mu$  at 15 (35) GeV/c

**RICH REQUIREMENT:**  $\mu$  suppression  $\leq 10^{-2}$

- ➡ Measure the probability to misidentify a  $\mu$  as a  $\pi$  integrated between 15 and 35 GeV/c (assuming the expected spectrum of  $\mu$  from  $K_{\mu 2}$ )
- ➡ Repeat the measurement changing mirror orientation and analysis cuts



# $\pi$ - $\mu$ Separation Measurement



Blue line: half way between  $\pi$  and  $\mu$  peaks

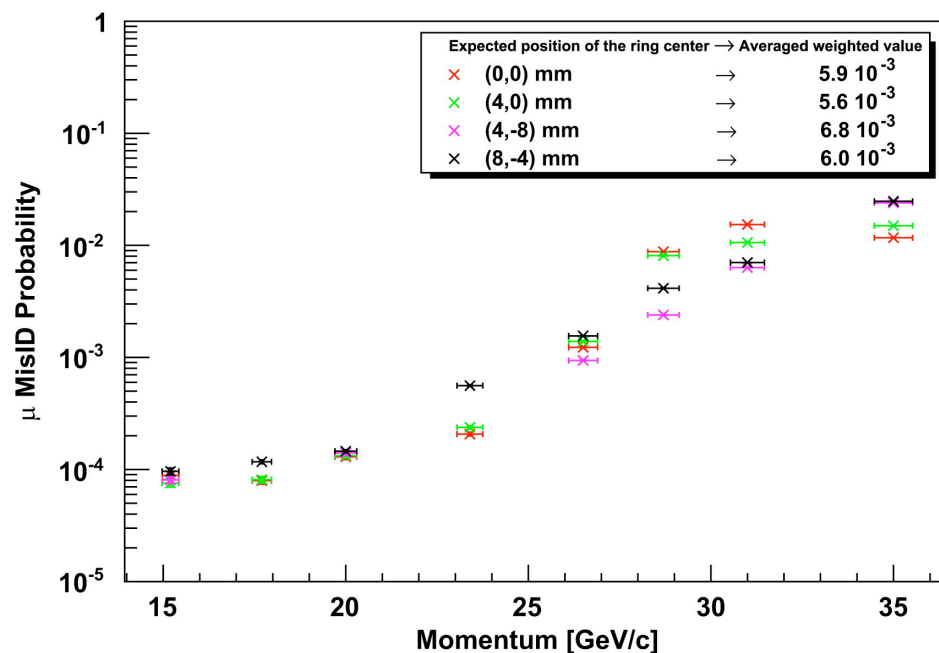
Red line: signal region definition (+3 $\sigma$  from peak)

Calculate:  $\mu$  contamination and  $\pi$  loss (under different conditions) in momentum bins

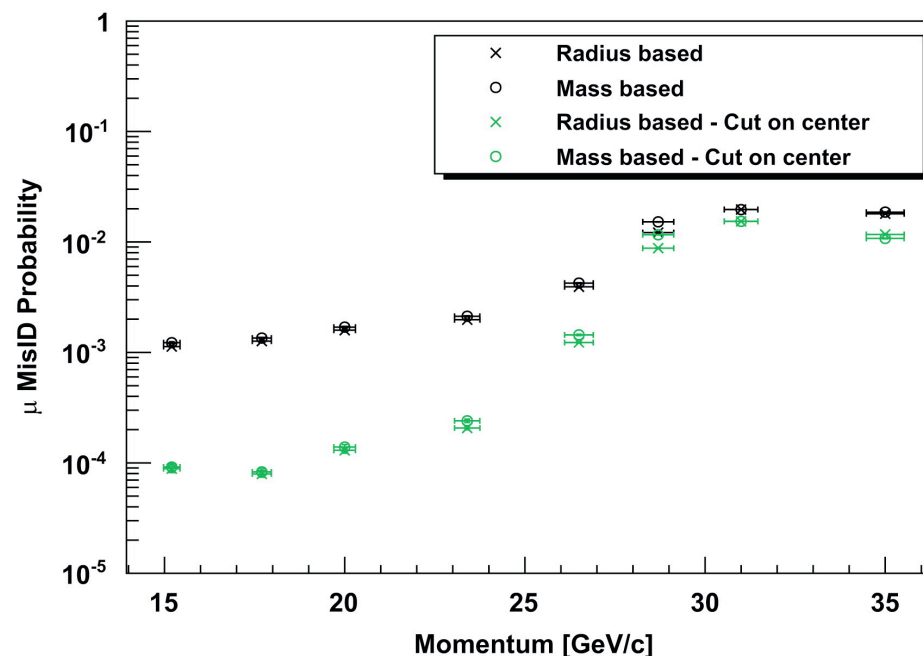
Use: ring radius distribution and the reconstructed squared mass of the particle



# $\pi$ - $\mu$ Separation Results



Measurements repeated for 4 different alignment positions of the mirror, in order to take into account possible displacements of the ring center (in mm).



Measurements repeated with different cuts and ring reconstruction methods: upper and lower limit are the  $3\sigma$  constraint on the position of the fitted ring center.

→  $\mu$  suppression factor equal or better than  $10^{-2}$



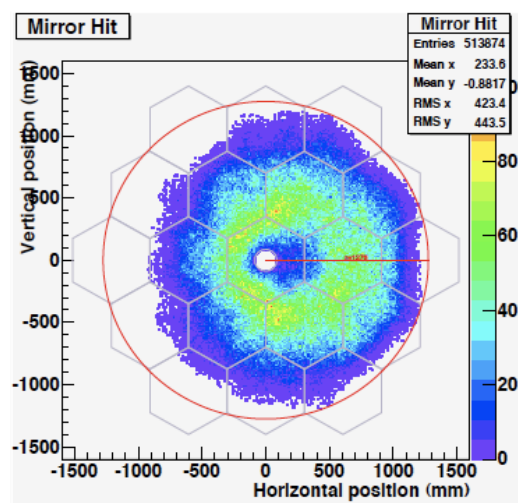


# RICH Mirror Layout



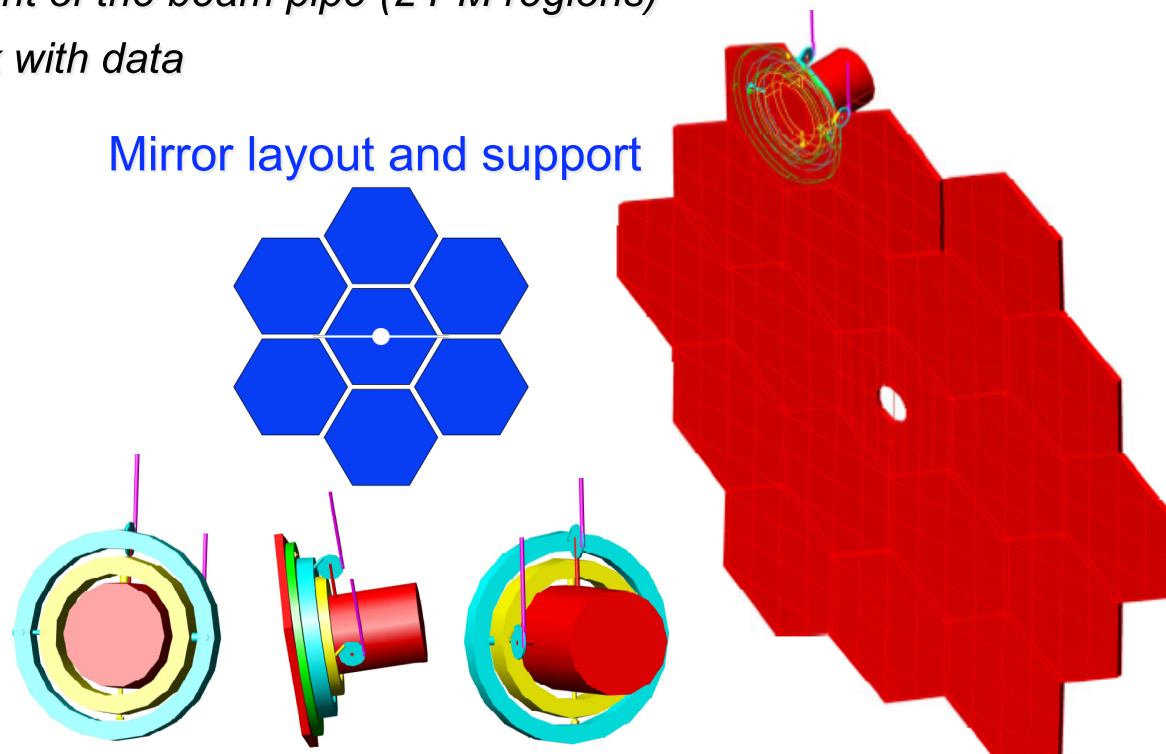
## Mirrors from MARCON company

- Spherical mirrors, nominal radius of curvature 34 m ( $\pm 20$  cm maximum), 17 m focal length
- Glass substrate 2.5 cm thick, aluminum coat with thin dielectric film ( $\text{MgF}_2$ ) deposit
- Hexagonal shape (35 cm side): 18 hexagons + 2 half hexagons (beam pipe)
- Average reflectivity better than 90% in 195-650 nm wavelength range,  $D_0 < 4$  mm
- Carbon fiber honeycomb structure for mirror support, piezo actuators for alignment
- Mirrors pointing toward left and right of the beam pipe (2 PM regions)
- Initial alignment with laser, check with data



MC Simulation (Geant4): photon distribution on the mirrors (15-35 GeV/c momentum)

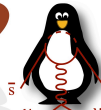
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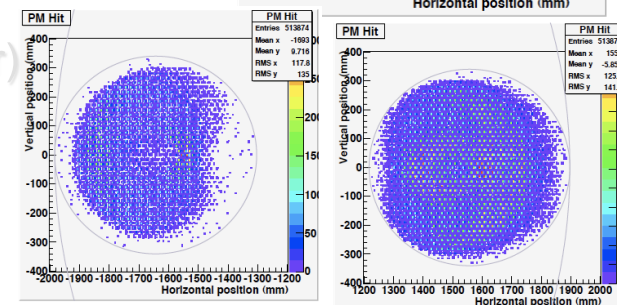
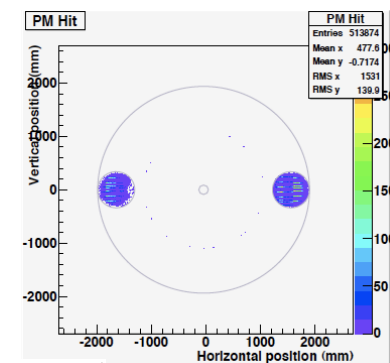
# RICH vessel and gas system

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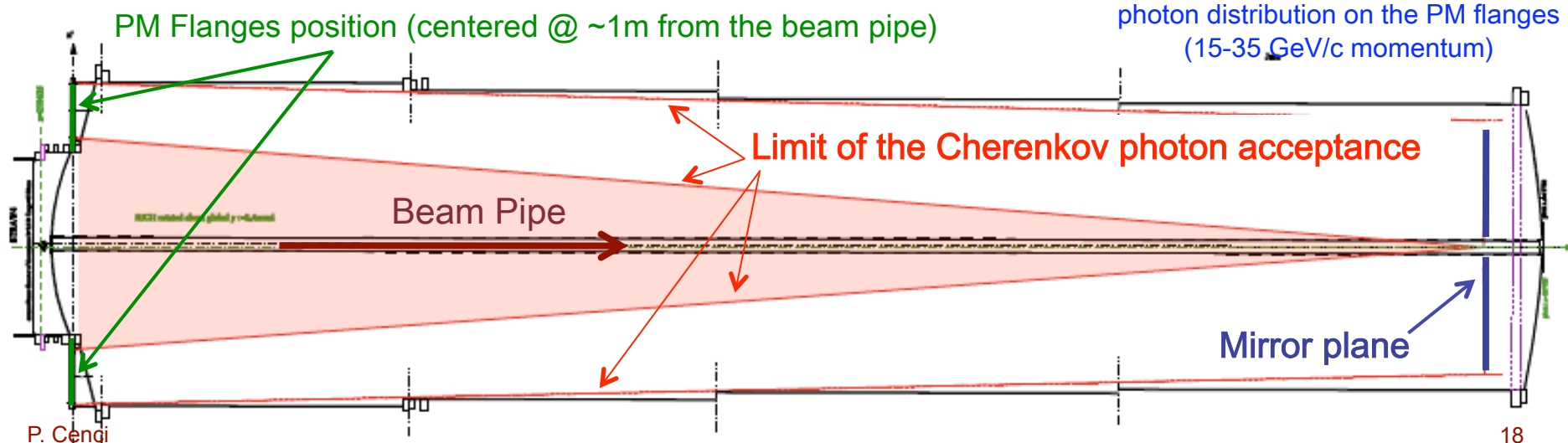


- Vessel in structural steel (ferro-pearlitic), total volume  $\sim 200 \text{ m}^3$
- 4 longitudinal sections (length  $\sim 17 \text{ m}$ ), decreasing diameter (4 to 3.4 m)
- Centered beam pipe, PM flanges outside detector acceptance
- Mat non-reflective and clean inner vessel surface: epoxy coating
- Beam windows in aluminium alloy: minimum material thickness

- Ne pressure slightly above external atmosphere (max 150 mbar)
- No gas circulation, gas leak rate below  $10^{-2}$  std. cc/s
- Pressure regulation accuracy  $\pm 1 \text{ mbar}$
- Ne density stability  $< 1\%$ , gas impurities  $< 1\%$
- Clean and non-out gassing inner vessel surface, cleaning with  $\text{CO}_2$



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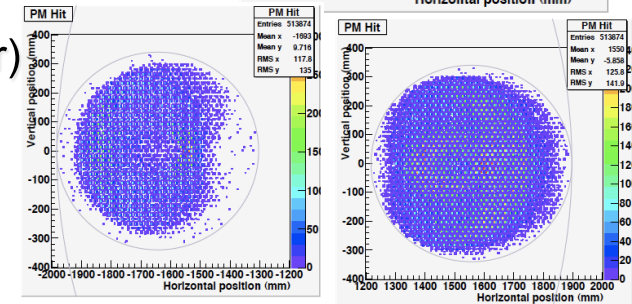
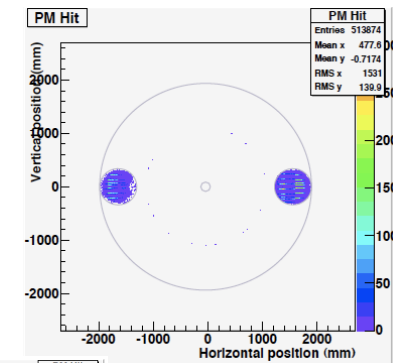




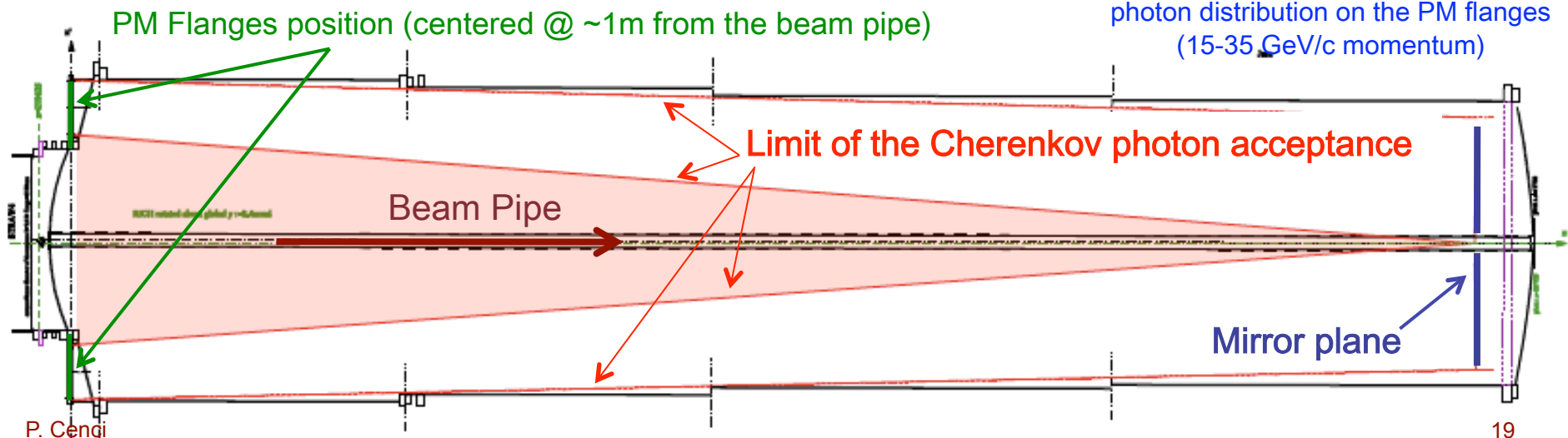
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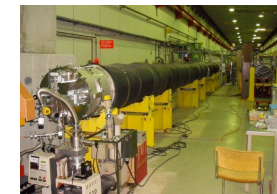
The NA62 RICH will be used for:

- background suppression
- precise measurement of tracks time
- first level trigger



The results of the prototype test beams fulfill the design requirements:

- time and Cherenkov angle resolution
- hit PM's per ring
- $\pi$ - $\mu$  separation and  $\mu$  suppression factor

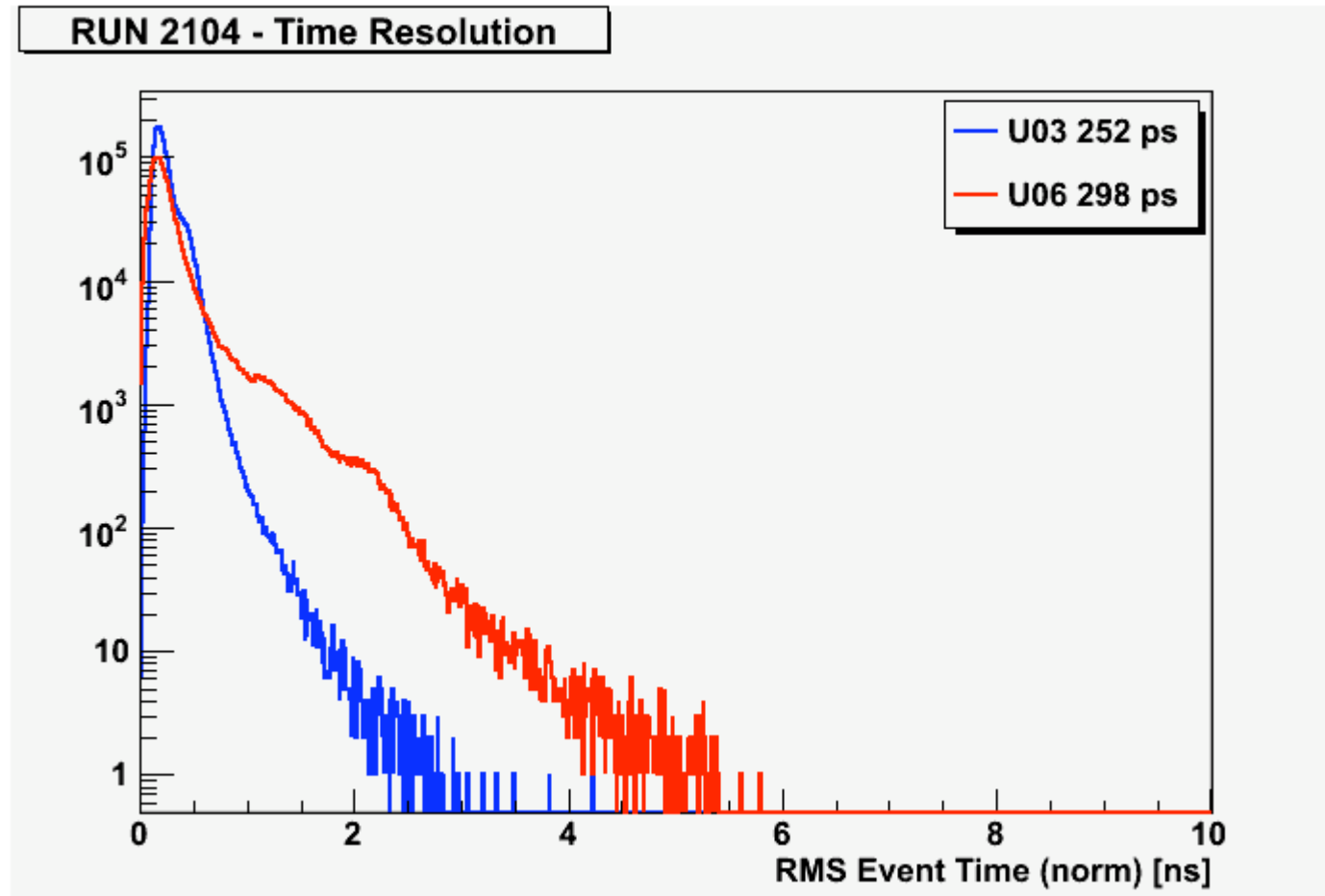


The construction of the NA62 detector has already started:  
the first data taking will take place in 2013  
(due to SPS stop in 2012)



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# RICH-100 test: time resolution



# NA62: the experimental challenge - I



## ❖ Track and identify kaons in the beam:

- at *0.8 GHz* rate
- with *0.5%* momentum resolution
- with *150 ps* time resolution
- with a tight material budget

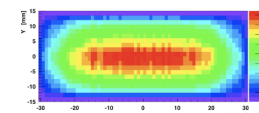
⇒ **Gigatracker (Fast Si  $\mu$ pixel)**  
**+ Cherenkov Threshold (CEDAR) for  $K^+$**   
**identification among beam particles**

## ❖ Track decay products

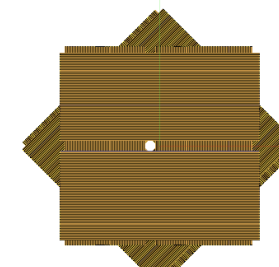
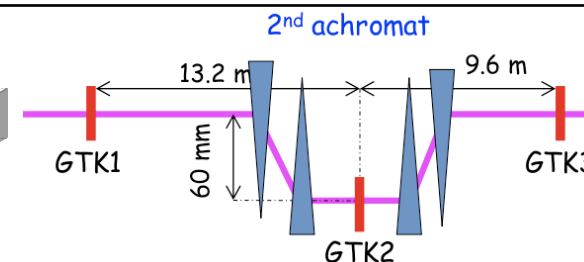
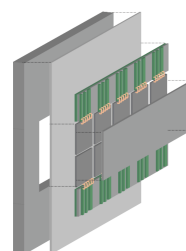
- in a  *$10^{-6}$  mbar* vacuum
- with *0.5%* momentum resolution
- with *150 ps* time resolution and
- with a tight material budget

⇒ **Straw Tracker in vacuum**

**Beam Spectrometer Gigatracker: 3 Si  $\mu$ pixel stations before the decay volume Geometry matching the beam shape**

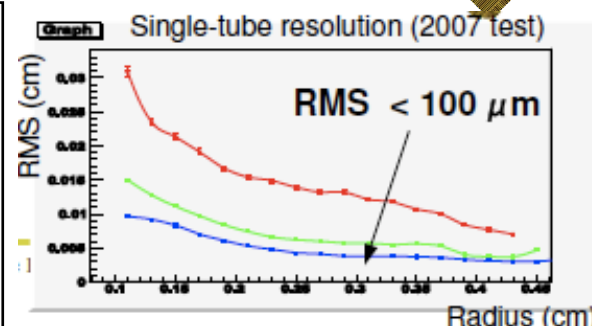


- High space resolution: 300x300  $\mu$ m pixels
- Low  $X/X_0$ : 200  $\mu$ m sensor+100  $\mu$ m chip ( $<0.5\%$   $X/X_0$  per station)
- Excellent time resolution: sophisticated RO chip bump bonded on the sensor (0.13  $\mu$ m technology)
- Momentum resolution 0.4%
- Time resolution  $\sim 200$  ps (per station):
- First prototype just tested on beam at CERN PS



## Straw Tracker

- 4 straw chambers with 4 staggered layers of tubes per view, in vacuum
- $\varnothing$  9.6 mm, 2.1 m long tubes, 1 magnet (NA48 magnet, 256 MeV/c  $P_t$  kick)
- Rate:  $\sim 45$  KHz per tube (max 0.5 MHz) ( $\mu + \pi$ )
- Total  $X/X_0$ : 0.1%  $X_0$  per view, 130  $\mu$ m/hit resolution per view
- 6 cm "radius" beam holes displaced in the bending plane according to the beam path



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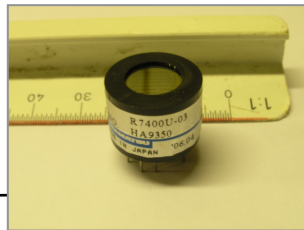
## ❖ Reject $\pi^0$ and veto additional $\gamma$

- $10^{-5}$  single  $\gamma$  detection inefficiency at  $E_\gamma > 10$  GeV
- $2 \div 3.5 \times 10^{-8}$   $\pi^0$  rejection inefficiency from  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$
- ⇒ **Photon VETO**

- NA48 LKrypton calorimeter (acceptance: 110 mrad): trigger+offline
- Rings of large angle vetoes (acceptance: up to 50 mrad): offline
- Small angle calorimeters (acceptance:  $< 1$  mrad): offline
- Large Angle Veto:
  - 12 ring em calorimeters in vacuum, 5 staggered plane/ring
  - OPAL Lead glass; Ring 3 in construction (1 and 2 built)

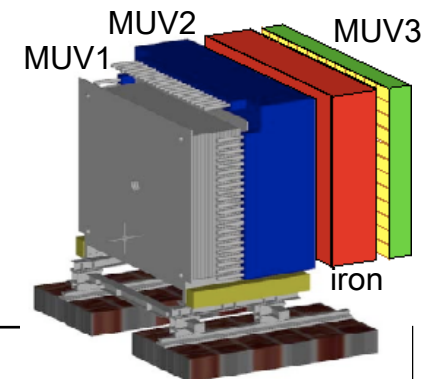
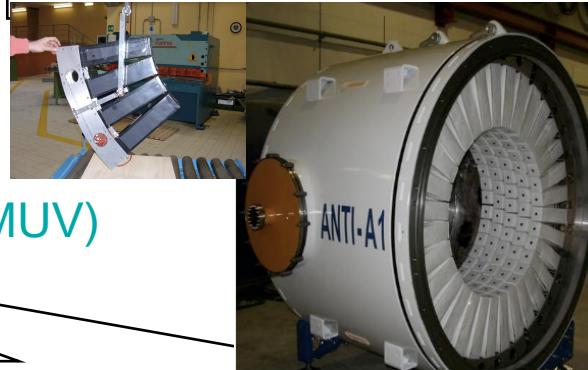
## ❖ Reject $\mu$ background

- at  $10^{-6}$  level (trigger + offline)
- $10\sigma$   $\pi/\mu$  separation at high  $p$
- ⇒ **RICH + Muon Veto Detector (MUV)**



**RICH:** 18 m long, 2000 PMT

- Neon at 1 atm ( $\pi$  thr.: 12 GeV/c)
- 100 ps resolution (to disentangle pileup in the Gigatracker)
- $\pi$ - $\mu$   $3\sigma$  separation up to 35 GeV/c



### Muon Veto Detector

- 1 plane of fast scintillator behind all the detectors (trigger)
- Hadronic calorimeter (offline)
- Hadronic calorimeter (MUV 1, 2): 2 modules
- Fe/scintillators sampling calorimeter
- Fast scintillator plane (MUV3) @ end of detector
- Matrix of pads, PMt behind pad directly connected to scintillator