

ARC - a novel RICH detector for a future e^+e^- collider

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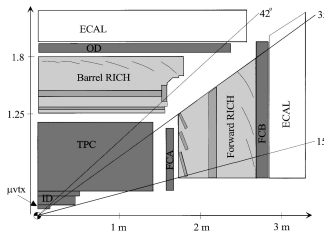
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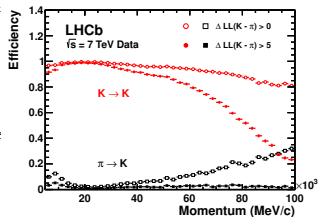


Introduction RICH detectors

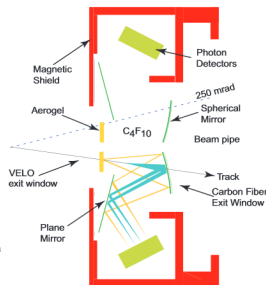
- Excellent hadron PID is crucial in flavour physics
 - Resolve combinatorics and separate decay modes
- RICH detectors are very powerful for particle ID at high momentum
- At LHCb, π - K separation is excellent up to 100 GeV
- A 4π collider RICH layout was previously used at DELPHI and SLD
 - Challenging because of the space required



(a) DELPHI RICH layout



(b) LHCb RICH performance



(c) LHCb RICH layout

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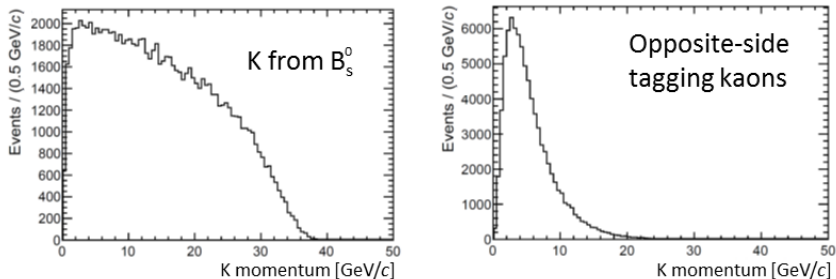


Figure 2: $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^\pm K^\mp$

B physics requires pion-kaon separation from low momentum up to 40 GeV

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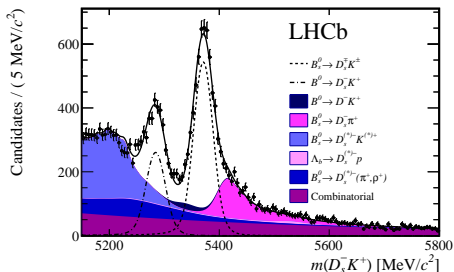


Figure 3: $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^\pm K^\mp$

The $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^\pm \pi^\mp$ background would be 10 times larger without PID capabilities!

Array of RICH Cells

- **Array of RICH Cells (ARC):** A novel RICH detector concept
 - First presented by R. Forty at [FCC week 2021](#)
 - Compact, low-mass solution for particle ID for FCC-ee
 - Concept inspired by the compound eyes of an insect
- Adapted to fit into the [CLD experiment](#) concept, taking 10% from the tracker volume
 - Radial depth of 20 cm, radius of 2.1 m and a length of 4.4 m
 - Aim to keep material budget below $0.1X_0$
- Aerogel and gas radiators with a spherical mirror
 - Aerogel also acts as thermal insulation between gas and detector

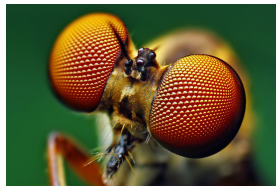
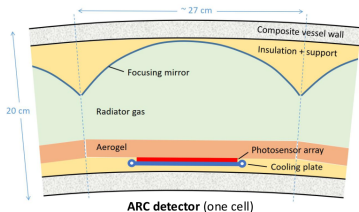


Figure 4: ARC has a cellular structure, similar to an insect's compound eyes

Original pressurised ARC

- Original idea was for a vessel with pressurised gas
 - Higher photon yield in smaller radial space
- However, a non-pressurised gas was found to have better performance, and also simplify the vessel design

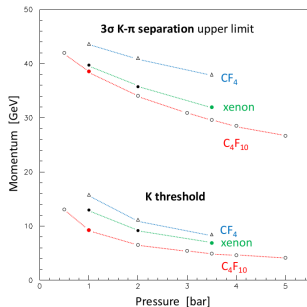
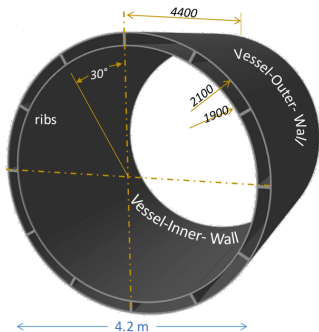


Figure 5: Layout of original carbon fiber vessel (left) and the performance at different pressures (right)

Array of RICH Cells

- Cell layout has evolved to profit from a simplified unpressurised vessel
- All cells are the same size, organised on a hexagonal grid
 - Barrel (endcap) has 945 (384) cells in total, where 18 (21) are unique
 - Hexagonal shape avoids the corners, where performance is worse

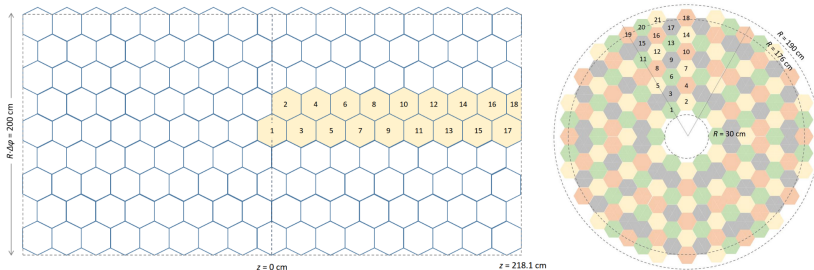


Figure 6: Barrel (left) and endcap (right) cells

ARC radiators

- C_4F_{10} :
 - Baseline assumption, well known from LHCb RICH1
 - $n = 1.0014 \implies \theta_c = 53 \text{ mrad}$, suitable for high momentum particles
 - C_4F_{10} is a greenhouse gas, substitution with pressurised Ar/Xe possible
- Aerogel:
 - Well known as a RICH radiator, e.g. from ARICH at Belle II
 - $n = 1.01\text{-}1.10 \implies \theta_c = 141\text{-}430 \text{ mrad}$, suitable at low momentum
 - Very low thermal conductivity
 - Suitable to separate gas from detector, which must be cooled
 - Cherenkov photons come for “free” and are focused by the same mirror
 - Drawback: Some loss of photons from scattering

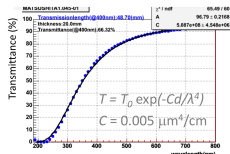
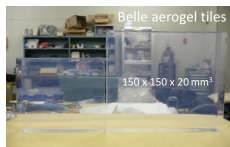


Figure 7: Belle aerogel tiles (left) and aerogel transmission function (right).

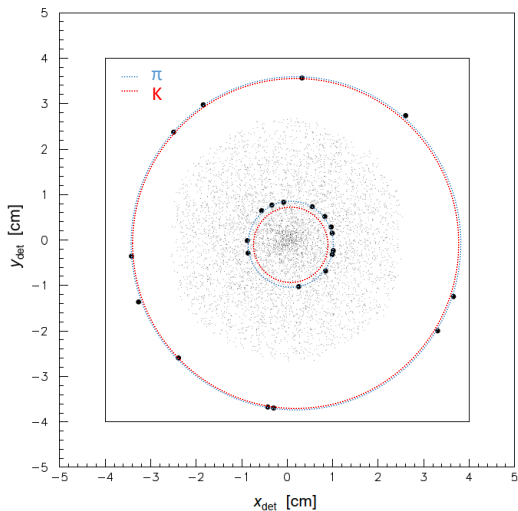


Figure 8: Photon hits on photodetector

Display of a simulated $B_s \rightarrow D_s K$ event in ARC

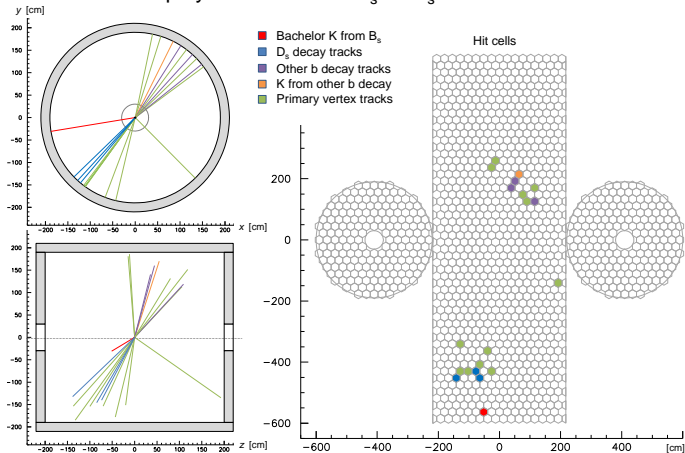


Figure 9: $B_s \rightarrow D_s K$ (no magnetic field yet)

Optimisation of ARC layout

- The following procedure is used to evaluate the ARC performance:
 - ① Generate straight particle track from IP and trace it through ARC
 - ② Generate Cherenkov photons from gas radiator
 - ③ Track photons through the optics and to detector
 - ④ Reconstruct Cherenkov angles and calculate standard deviation
- Three sources of uncertainty are considered:
 - ① Emission point uncertainty: Emission point is assumed to be the mid-point of the track inside the gaseous radiator
 - ② Chromatic dispersion uncertainty: Spread in Cherenkov angle due to wavelength dependence on refractive index
 - ③ Pixel size: Will be chosen so that it does not limit the performance

Minimise the Cherenkov angle uncertainty:

$$\Delta\theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \times \frac{1}{1-N} \times \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} (\theta - \bar{\theta})^2$$

Examples of photon tracking through optimised layout

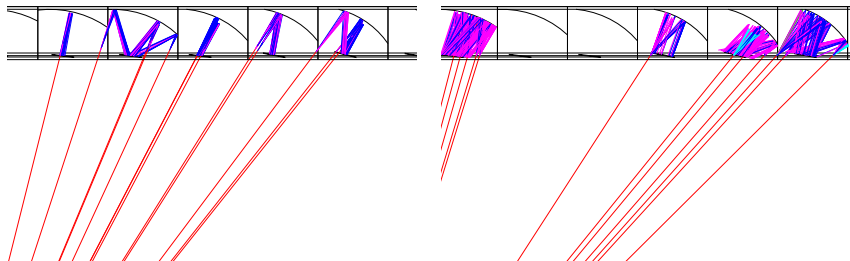
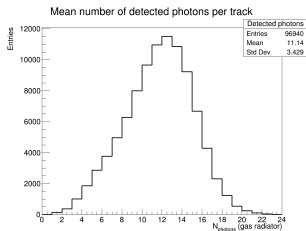


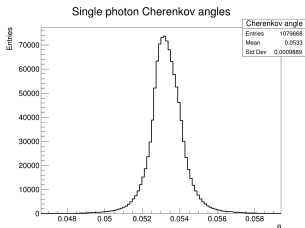
Figure 10: Tracking of photons from gas radiator (left) and aerogel radiator (right) through the ARC optics

- Parameters that are optimised:
 - Mirror curvature
 - Mirror vertical and horizontal position
 - Detector horizontal position and tilt

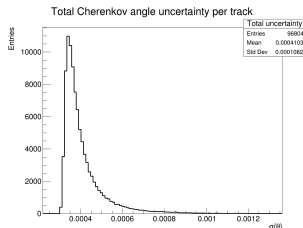
Cherenkov angle uncertainty for gas radiator



(a) Mean number of photons detected



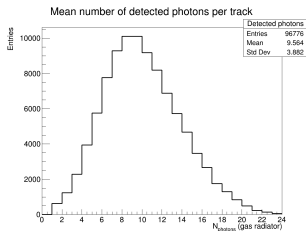
(b) Single photon uncertainty:
1.0 mrad



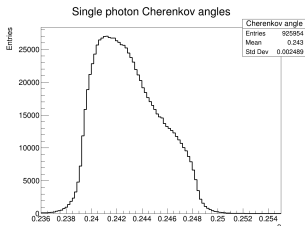
(c) Total uncertainty:
0.4 mrad

Figure 11: Gas radiator performance averaged over all barrel cells

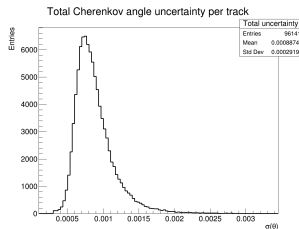
Cherenkov angle uncertainty for aerogel radiator



(a) Mean number of photons detected



(b) Single photon uncertainty:
2.5 mrad



(c) Total uncertainty:
0.9 mrad

Figure 12: Aerogel radiator performance averaged over all barrel cells

Performance of optimised ARC

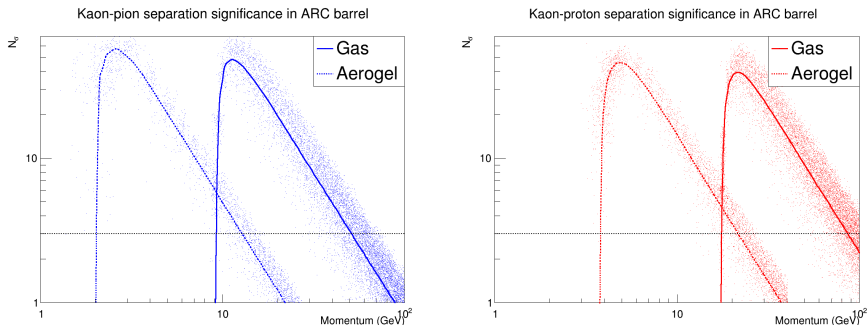


Figure 13: Separation significance per track for π - K (left) and p - K (right)

- Gas (aerogel) provides over 3σ pion-kaon separation in the range 10-50 GeV (2-10 GeV)
 - Improved from earlier studies due to gaining some space for more radiator by no longer pressurising, as well as optimisation of the layout
 - Effect of magnetic field not yet included in these studies
- Combined, the aerogel and gas ensure excellent PID performance over the whole range of interest to flavour physics

Summary and next steps

- ARC is a low mass and compact cellular PID detector designed to occupy minimum space (20 cm in the radial dimension) in a 4π detector at an e^+e^- collider such as FCC-ee
- We have developed an optimised layout that should achieve a 3σ kaon-pion separation in the range 2-50 GeV
 - Our studies focus mainly on flavour physics at the Z-pole
- ARC will allow us to fully exploit the full range of flavour physics potential at future e^+e^- colliders
 - Will enhance the capabilities in Higgs, WW and top physics
- Next steps will include completing the optimisation, including magnetic field effects, and R&D on photodetectors

Thanks for your attention!

Backup: Estimated material budget breakdown

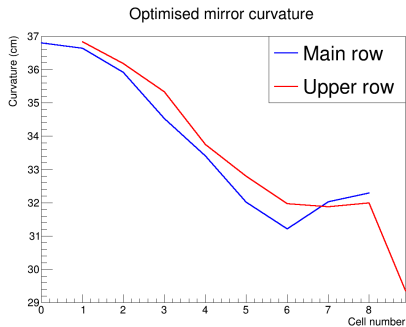
Units of radiation length X/X_0

Detector component	Pressurised	Non-pressurised
Vessel walls	5%	1%
Photosensor array/electronics	1%	1%
Cooling plate (3 mm CF)	1%	1%
Aerogel ($n = 1.03$)	1%	0.5%
C ₄ F ₁₀ gas	1%	0.5%
Focusing mirror	1%	1%
Total	10%	5%

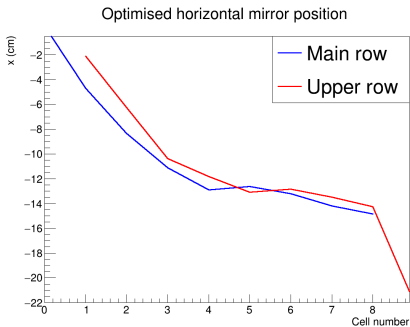
Backup: Technical details about minimisation

- $f(\vec{x})$ is not easily to calculate analytically
- Approximate by simulating a large number of charged tracks
- Finite number of photons $\implies f(\vec{x})$ is not differentiable
 - Cannot be minimised using conventional methods (Minuit, etc)
- I have experimented with a new type of minimisation algorithms:
Stochastic optimisation
 - **Differential evolution**
 - Start with a population of possible solutions, form new solutions by combining (mutating) existing solutions
 - Advantage: Doesn't require initial guess, robust against functions that a not continuous, noisy, change over time, etc
 - Disadvantage: No way to tell if optimal solution has been found, so it requires many iterations

Backup: Optimised mirror curvature and mirror position



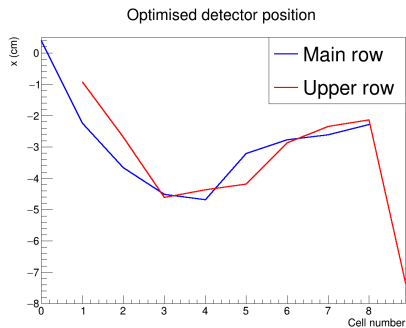
(a) Mirror curvature



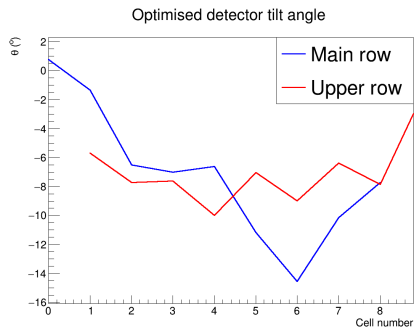
(b) Mirror position

Figure 14: Optimised mirror parameters for barrel cells

Backup: Optimised detector position and detector tilt angle



(a) Detector position



(b) Detector tilt angle

Figure 15: Optimised detector parameters for barrel cells