# Progress on full simulation of the forward DIRC-like TOF detector

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- Reminder of the main open questions from Frascati meeting
- → More realistic simulation of the fTOF detector (size, position, field, PMTs)
- Optimization of the detector geometry
  - Studying  $\sigma_{\text{track}}$  and  $\sigma_{\text{detector coupling to bar}}$

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- Studying influence on time resolution of the 2mm AI foil in front of the fTOF
- Conclusion





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# Reminder of the main open questions from Frascati meeting

see Simulation of the DIRC-like TOF @ http://agenda.infn.it/conferenceDisplay.py?confld=1165



1) Kaons up to 1.2 GeV hitting the quartz sector perpendicularly will produce Cerenkov photons which will leave detector volume

However particles with 1.2 GeV will propagate in the 1.5 Tesla magnetic field so in reality not **all** tracks will hit sector @ 90 deg to the surface.

2)Number of detected Cerenkov photons is not only a function of  $\beta$  but also depends on the position and on the direction of the particle entering the detector.

3) What is the optimal geometry of the detector ? Where absorbers have to be placed ? How much has the detector to be tilted?

4) What is the best position of the photomultiplier?

5) How to analyze the data and what is the K/ $\pi$  separation? (by Ganna Dolinska)

#### More realistic standalone simulation of the DIRC-like forward TOF detector



A very similar implementation of the fTOF is now available in Bruno. Few details (volume overlaps in particular) still need to be worked out.

Increase the number of PMTs

We put 12 sectors at right position

Implementation of the magnetic field

Reminder Thickness of the quartz sector is 1.2cm ~ 10% of radiation length

Enough space for 9 MCP-PMTs (see next slide for details)

# **MCP-PMT SL10**

#### 2.75cm x 2.75cm x 1.66cm

#### arXiv:0803.0594v1

Target structure



Sensitive surface correspond to the readout channel

![](_page_3_Picture_6.jpeg)

In total 9x4 = 36 channels

# We put 12 sectors B field to Geant4 simulation

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Magnetic field 1.5 Tesla

No field

# How to get more photons

![](_page_5_Figure_1.jpeg)

#### Increase of the refractive index

P<sub>min</sub>[GeV]=m[GeV]/sqrt(n<sup>2</sup>-2)

We didn't consider this possibility further - manpower is limited

Should we discuss it ?

# **Optimization of the geometry**

Three possibilities have been studied

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Tilting the detector

No tilting correspond to fTOF parallel to forward EMC

# **Remove part of absorbers**

Most simple geometry have absorbers everywhere, for now this is base line geometry

To increase number of incoming photons absorbers can partially removed.

Lower part of the left and right absorbers removed For example:

80% of the side surface covered with absorber

Top absorber removed

B)

![](_page_6_Figure_6.jpeg)

Reconstruction becomes more complicated , time window for measurements will increase so background will increase too

## P vs theta for all possible phi

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20 incoming photons will yield  $\sim$  3 photons (due to QE).

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Color correspond to average number of the photons in the PMT's

#### P vs theta for all possible phi

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## P vs theta for all possible phi (theta tilting of the detector)

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Geometrical coverage (i.e. efficiency in p vs theta space) with tilted detector is as good as the one obtained with complicated geometry

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TvsCh K Mom= 700 The= 20 Phi= 20

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![](_page_10_Figure_2.jpeg)

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#### Time vs channel in case of 60% coverage with left and right absorber

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## Simple geometry (with tilting)

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Number of channels which give a signal can be used as well for  $K/\pi$  separation

![](_page_12_Figure_3.jpeg)

## How much kaons with low momentum will give enough light?

For this test we generate kaons with constant momentum but with uniformly distributed theta and phi, and then build two dimensional histograms theta vs phi, color correspond to average number of photons collected by PMT's

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# Effect coming from the magnetic field

The vs Phi

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Kaon @ 0.7 GeV/c With flat distributed theta and phi

Color correspond to average number of the photons

No field

64% of tracks will yield small amount of photons

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# Where PMT's have to be placed

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Time spread of the photon arriving is bigger for geometry C and number of the collected photons is smaller (see next slide). **Good angle** to the magnetic field Bad angle to the magnetic field. We need towork at high gaining. But gain is droppeddown with decreasing angle betweenmagnetic and MCP- PMT17

## Influence on single channel time resolution of the PMT position

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### Influence of 2mm aluminum foil in front of fTOF detector on time spread

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#### There is 2 mm Al foil in front of the fTOF detector

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#### Not yet taken into account

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Very small effect

# Conclusion

TOF is a 2dimensional detector time vs PM channel

Different geometries have been studied

- The one with absorber everywhere and PMT's on the bottom side has been "chosen"
- With new geometry and theta tilted detector we can push the threshold of kaon identification down to 0.7 GeV

![](_page_21_Picture_5.jpeg)

 $\sigma_{\text{track}}$  and  $\sigma_{\text{detector coupling to bar}}$ 

have been studied with FastSim.

- 2mm AI foil in front of the fTOF detector will not contribute much to the time resolution
- Background simulation have to be studied
  - More accurate simulation of the electronics have to be done ►

# backup

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