The CLAS12 RICH project

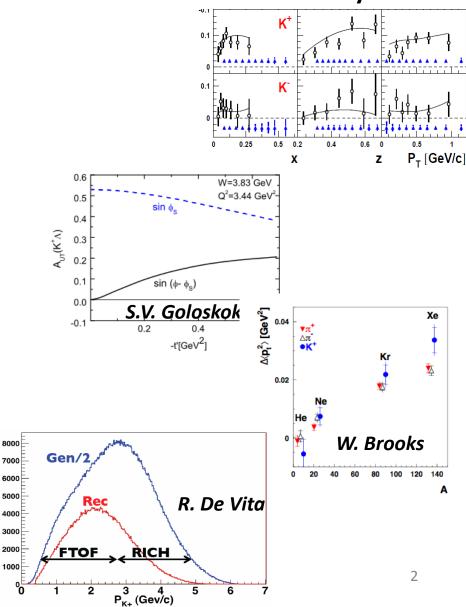
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Kaon physics with CLAS12

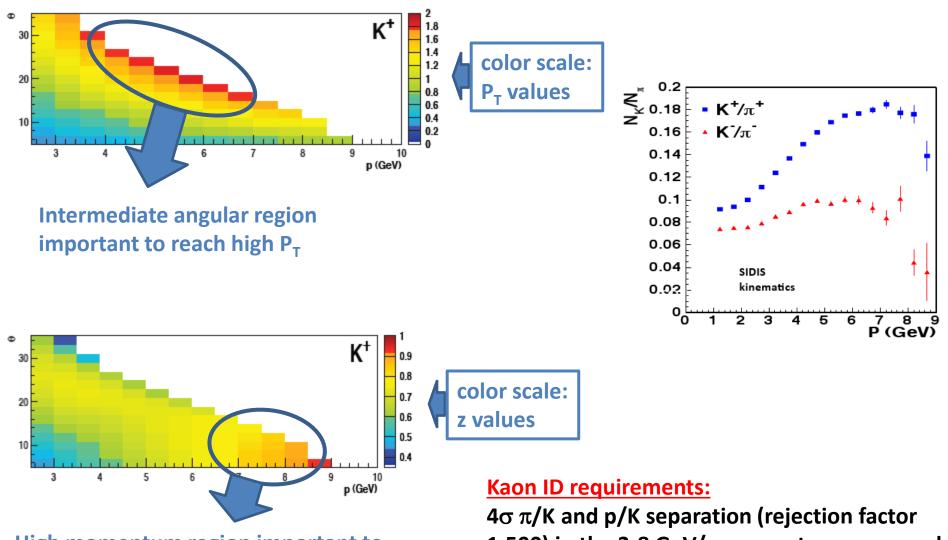
A broad program of measurements with kaons in the final state has already been approved

- 3D imaging of the nucleon through extraction of pion and kaon TMDs
- study the flavor dependence of the intrinsic transverse momentum
- study chiral-odd GPDs in hard exclusive pion and kaon production
- study the quark hadronization in cold nuclear matter



study exotic mesons via kaon identification

SIDIS kaons



High momentum region important to study the transition to the hard semiexclusive regime $4\sigma \pi/K$ and p/K separation (rejection factor 1:500) in the 3-8 GeV/c momentum range and angular coverage 5-25deg

The CLAS12 spectrometer

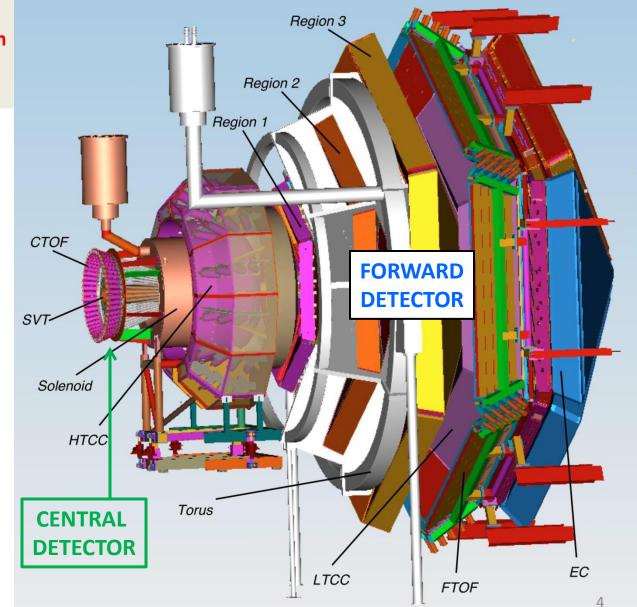
- Luminosity up to 10³⁵ cm⁻² s⁻¹
- High polarization electron beam
- H and D polarized targets
- Wide acceptance

CENTRAL DETECTOR

- solenoidal field
- vertex tracker
- time-of-flight

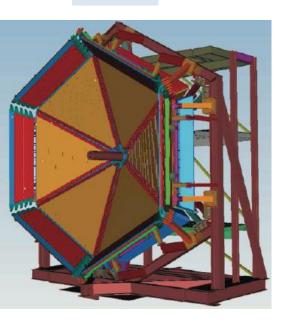
FORWARD DETECTOR

- toroidal field
- 6 sector geometry
- vertex tracker
- three regions of drift chambers
- time-of-flight
- two threshold Cherenkov counters
- preshower
- EM calorimeter



PID in CLAS12

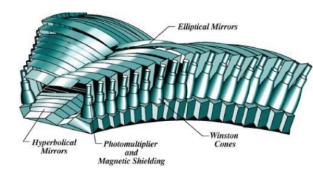
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HTCC



LTCC



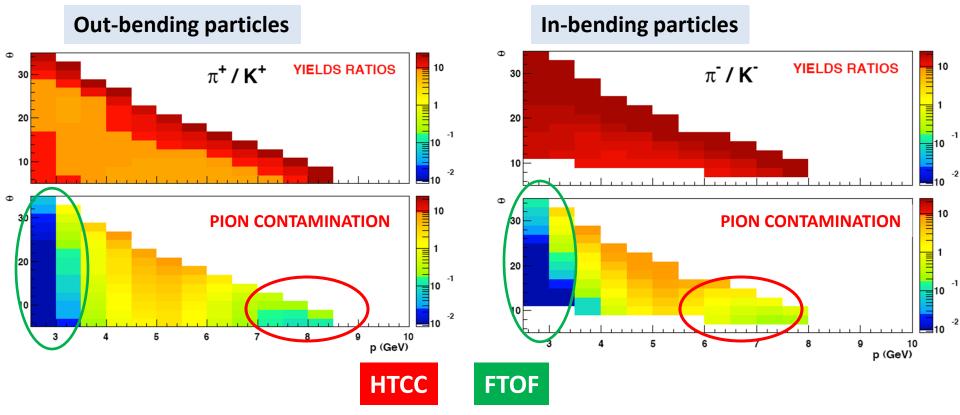
two panels of barrel scintillators
combined resolution: 45-80 ps

4σ π/K and p/K separation below 3 GeV/c

- designed for electron ID
- CO₂ radiator
- N_{pe}~16 for electrons
- 4σ π/K separation
 above 7 GeV/c
- No p/K separation

- designed for pion ID
- C₄F₁₀ radiator
- complicated geometry, non uniform response
 - 4σ π/K separation
 above 8 GeV/c
 - > No p/K separation

Hadron ID in CLAS12



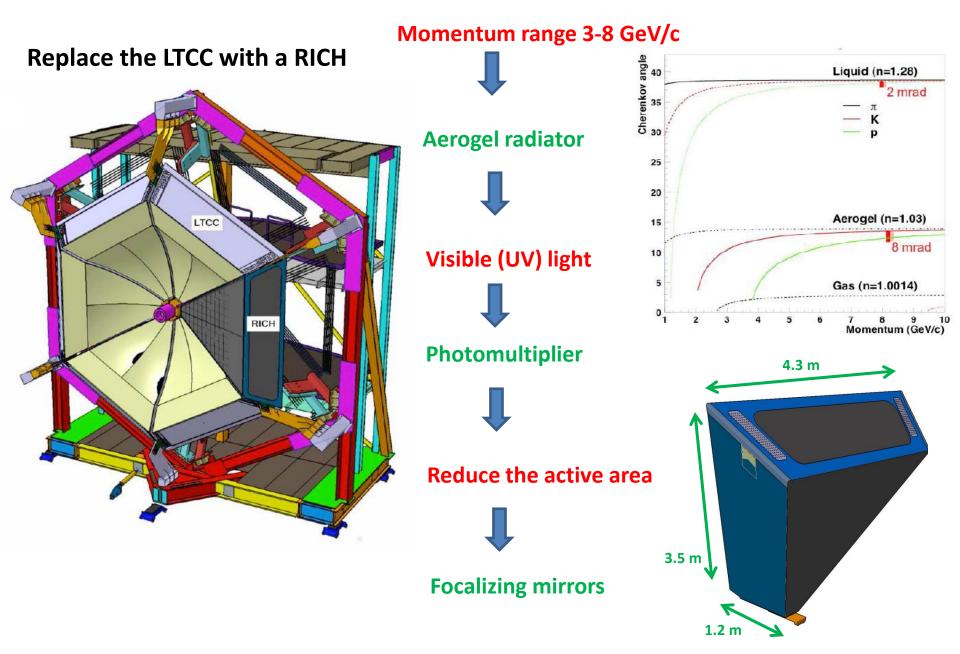
SIDIS particle flux within the CLAS12 acceptance

- pions >> kaons in the whole kinematical range

No Kaon ID in the 3 to 7 GeV/c range with baseline CLAS12 equipment

A RICH detector is mandatory for 4σ kaon ID

The CLAS12 RICH

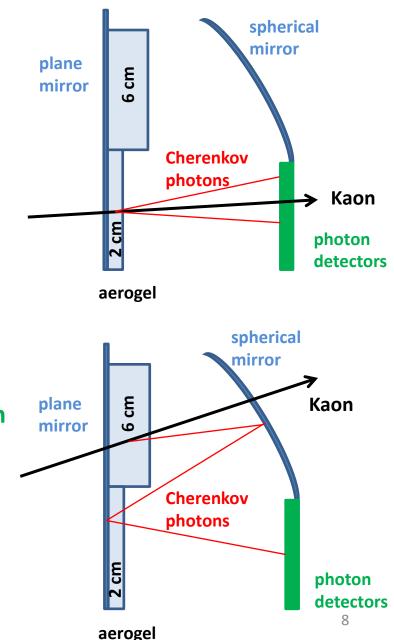


The RICH concept

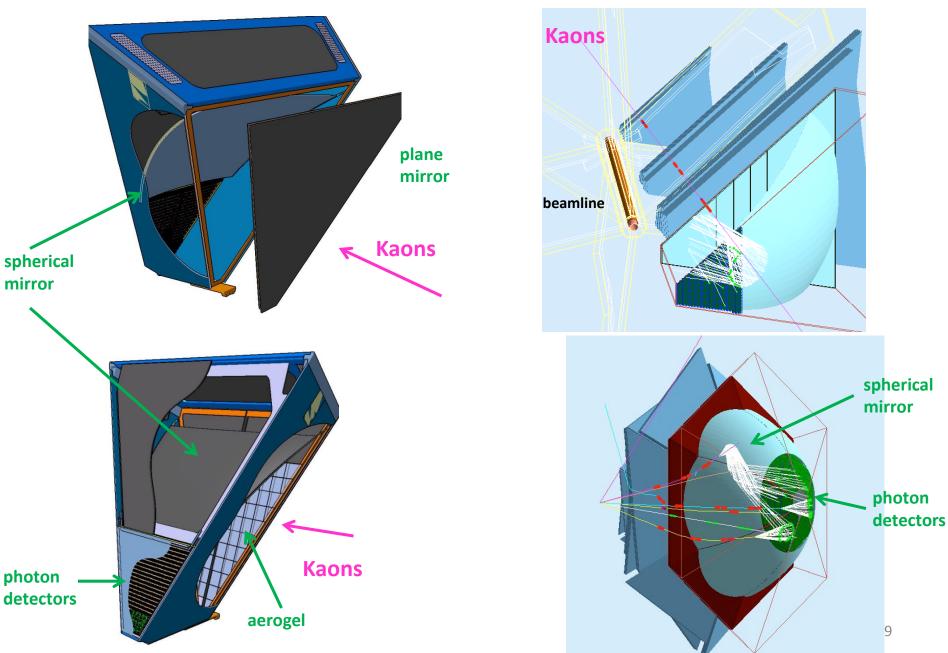
- Hybrid solution: proximity gap plus mirror focusing
 - Small polar angle particles
 - 1m gap
 - direct imaging of the Cherenkov photons
 - thin aerogel

Large polar angle particles

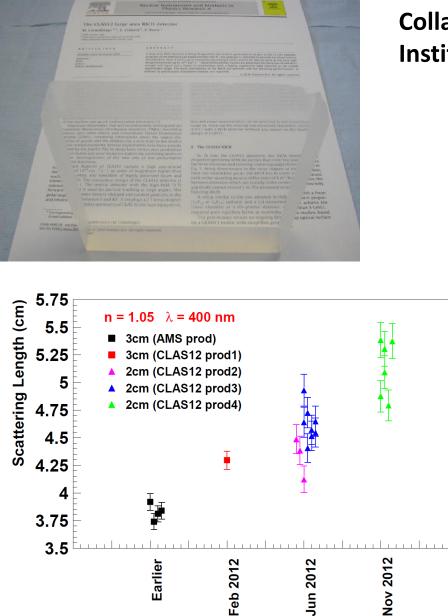
- about 3m path length
- multiple passage of Cherenkov photons in aerogel
- thick aerogel radiator to compensate photon loss
- Focalizing mirrors to reduce emission point uncertainty



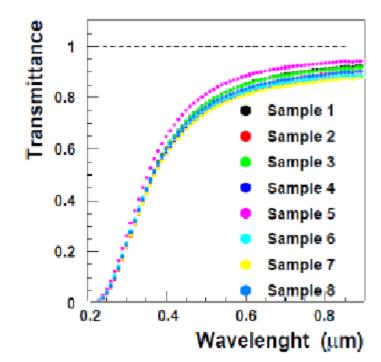
The RICH realization



The aerogel radiator



Collaboration with Budker and Boreskov Institutes of Novosibirsk



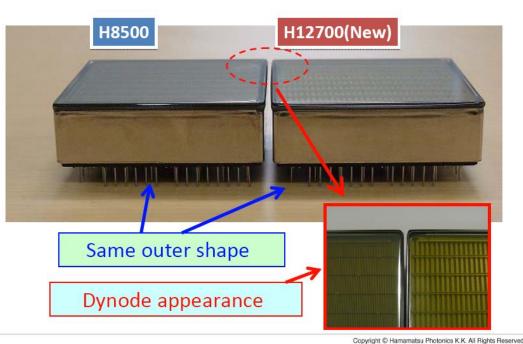
For aerogel with n=1.05 achieved clarity C ~ 0.00050 μm_4 cm⁻¹

LHCB: $C \sim 0.00064 \ \mu m_4 \ cm^{-1}$ with n=1.03

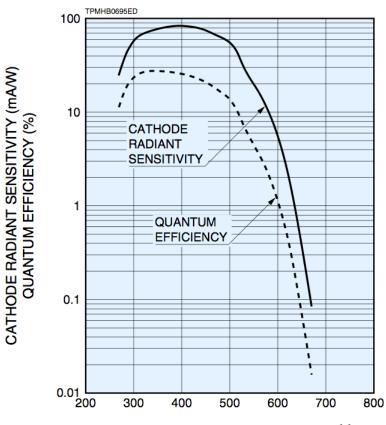
Photon detectors

The only way to keep the project on schedule is to use multi-anode photomultipliers

- Hamamatsu H8500
 - not optimized for SPE, but it works
- Hamamatsu H12700
 - new device, better for SPE



- mature technology
- large area (5x5 cm²)
- high packing density (89%)
- 64 pixels, 6x6mm²
- high sensitivity on visible to UV light
- fast response

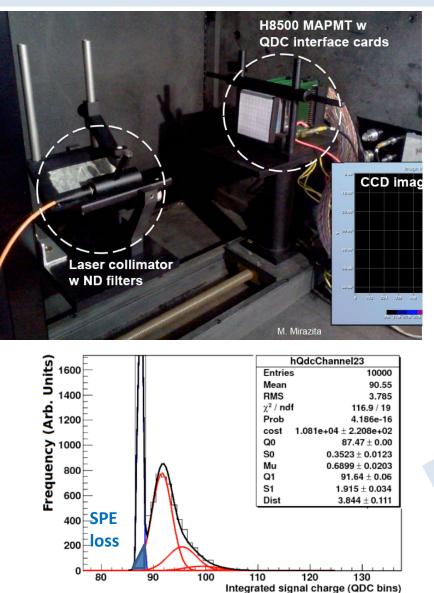


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SPE response

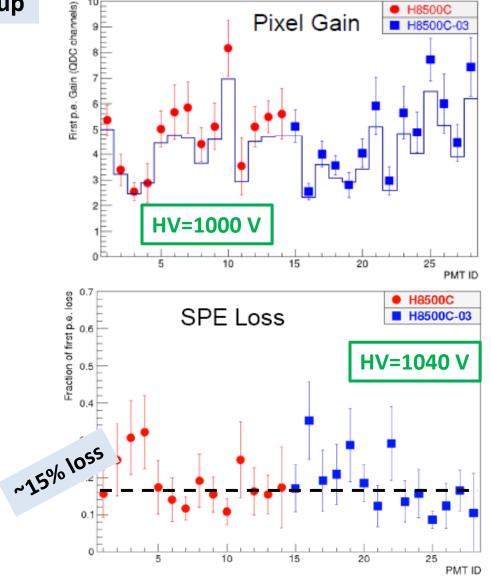
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MAPMT characterization with laser setup



64 channels averages and RMS H8500C Pixel Gain H8500C-03

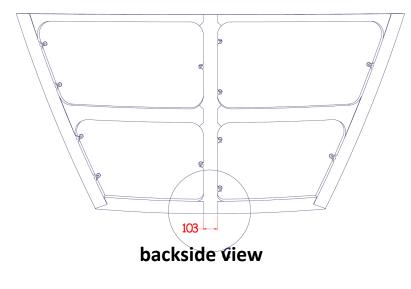
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The mirror system

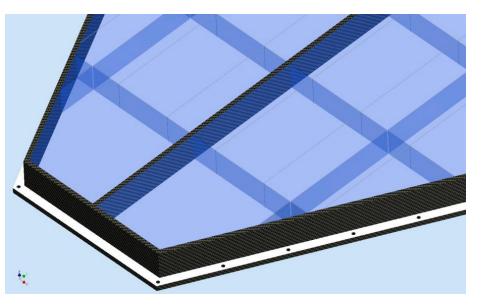
SPHERICAL MIRROR

- composite mirror
- four independent sections
- supporting mount allowing relative alignment
- curvature radius 4m
- •total surface about 3m²



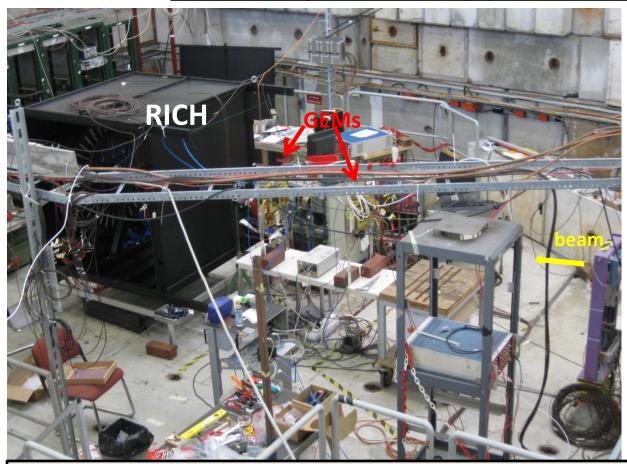
PLANE MIRROR

- •sandwich of two thin (0.7mm) skins of glass
- four independent sections
- supporting mount allowing relative alignment
- will support also the aerogel tiles
- •total surface about 3m²

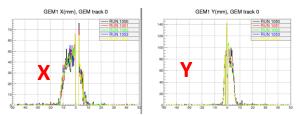


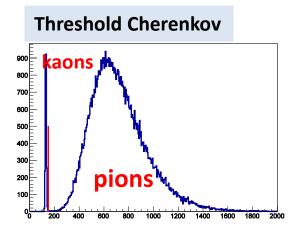
- > Total thickness of the mirror system <0.1X₀
- Required optical characteristics comparable to LHCb mirrors 13

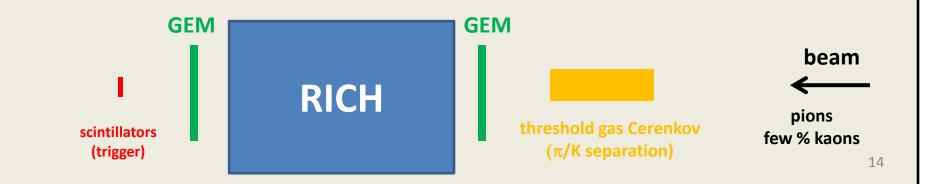
RICH prototype testbeam



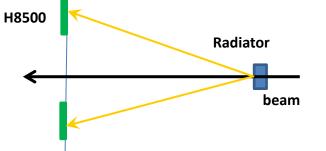
GEM profile

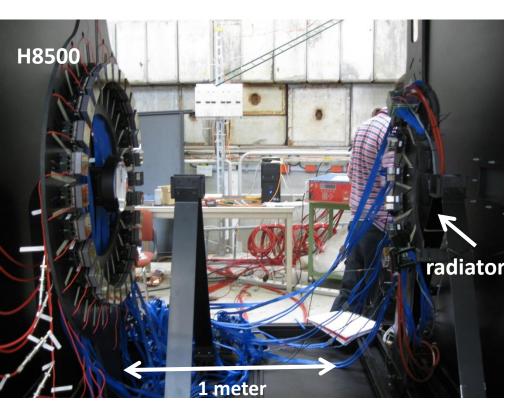


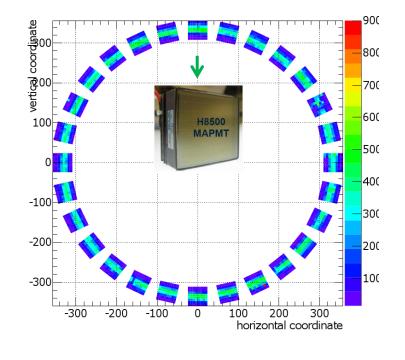


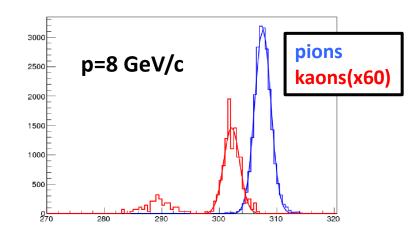


Direct light results

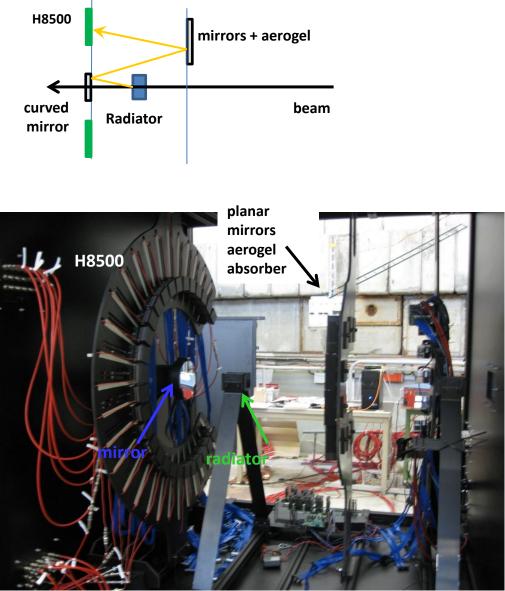








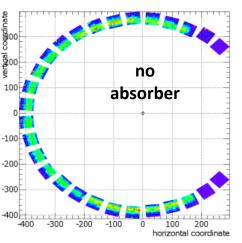
Reflected light setup

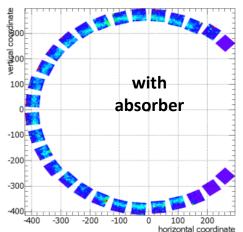


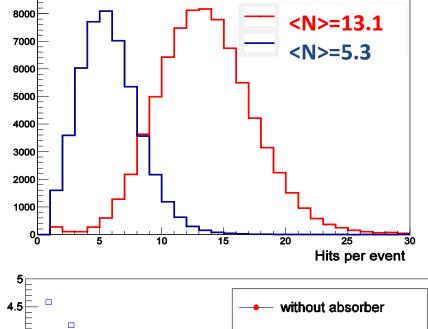


Runs with absorbers in/out to study Cherenkov photon loss

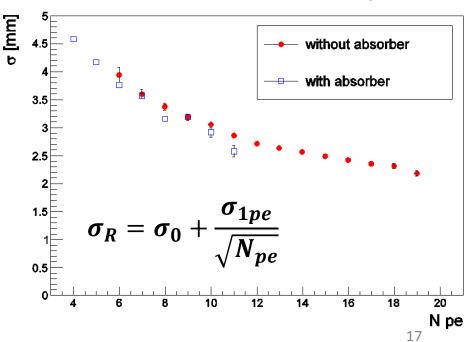
Reflected light results





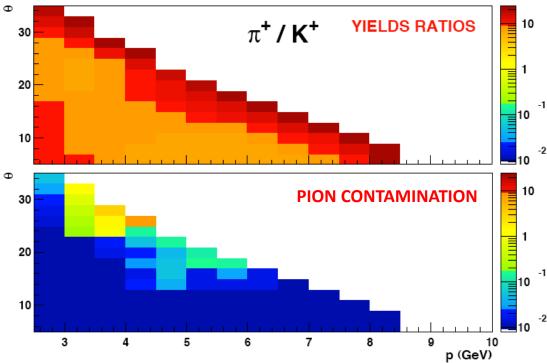


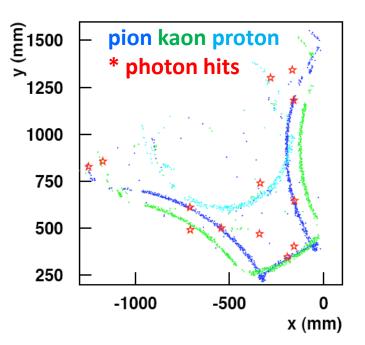
- About 40% of the Cherenkov photons survive after the double pass through the aerogel
- Resolution not significantly degraded besides the loss of photons



Kaon ID in the CLAS12 RICH

- Low multiplicicty, one charged particle per sector in average
- Complicated photon patterns due to reflections
- Pattern recognition algorithm based on Likelihood fit





² Even with not yet optimized tuning of the pattern recognition algorithm, the π contamination is at few % level

The RICH project

The RICH project is an international collaboration between institutions from many countries

The goal is to provide CLAS12 with one RICH sector by the beginning of the physics operations (end of 2016)

A second sector is foreseen for the physics with transversely polarized target

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The project has been approved by JLab and DOE by two reviews committees in september

- the RICH is now part of CLAS12 equipment
- > INFN funding on schedule
 - Procurement of the main components already started
 - Construction of the first module will begin in 2014