Development of a RICH detector for electron identification in CBM

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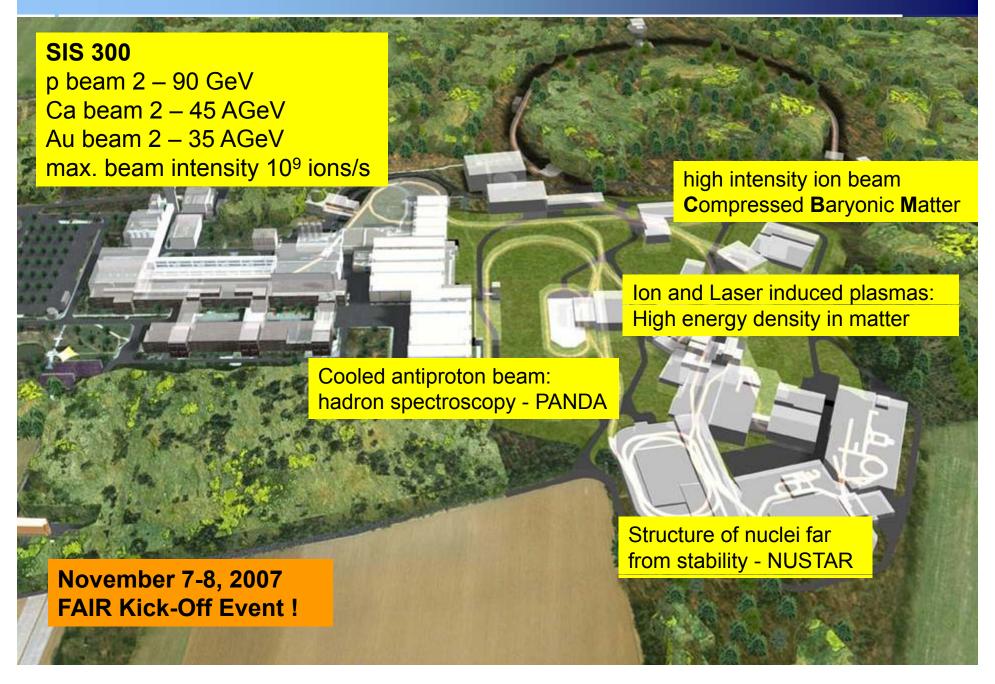


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FAIR at GSI



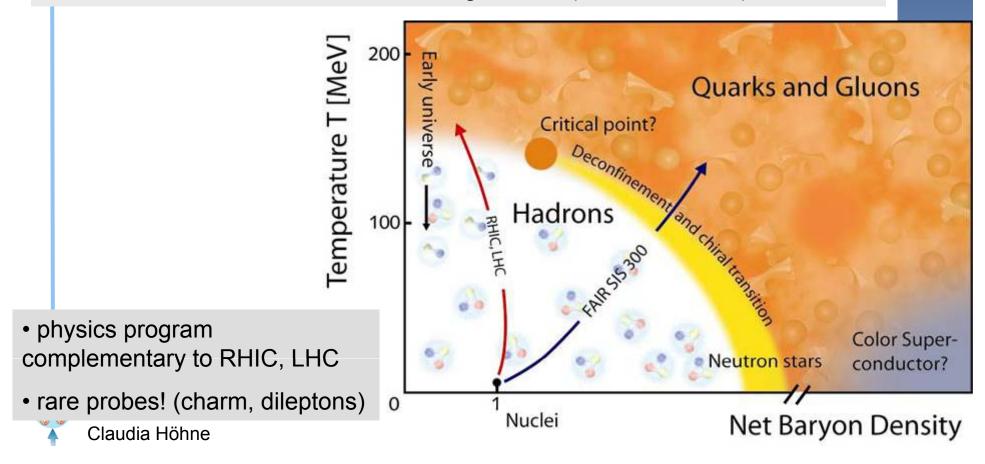
Physics case of CBM

Compressed Baryonic Matter @ FAIR – high μ_B , moderate T:

searching for the landmarks of the QCD phase diagram

- first order deconfinement phase transition
- chiral phase transition (high baryon densities!)
- QCD critical endpoint

in A+A collisions from 2-45 AGeV starting in 2015 (CBM + HADES)



Physics topics and Observables

The equation-of-state at high ρ_B

- collective flow of hadrons
- particle production at threshold energies (open charm)

Deconfinement phase transition at high ρ_B

- excitation function and flow of strangeness (K, Λ , Σ , Ξ , Ω)
- excitation function and flow of charm (J/ψ , φ' , D° , D^{\pm} , Λ_c)
- charmonium suppression, sequential for J/ψ and ψ'?

QCD critical endpint

• excitation function of event-by-event fluctuations (K/ π ,...)

Onset of chiral symmetry restoration at high PB

• in-medium modifications of hadrons $(\rho,\omega,\phi \rightarrow e^+e^-(\mu^+\mu^-),D)$

- mostly new measurements
- CBM Physics Book (theory) in preparation



p-meson spectral function

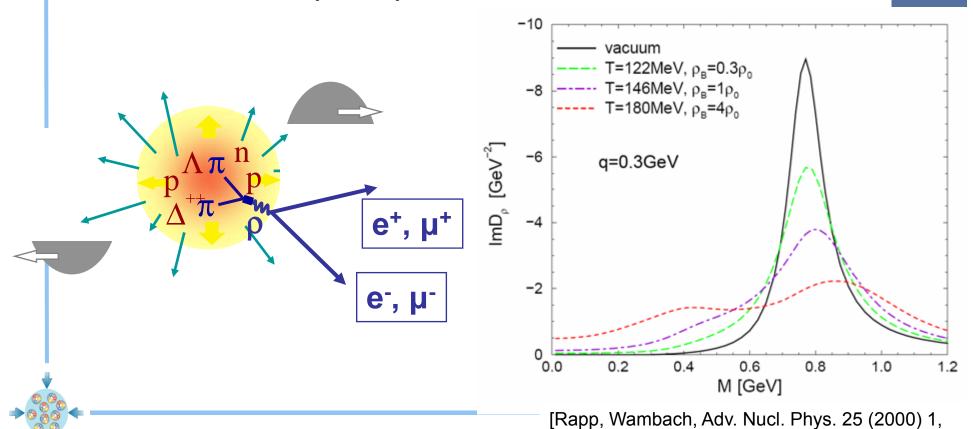
- $\rho\text{-meson}$ couples to the medium: "melts" close to T_c and at high μ_B
- vacuum lifetime τ_0 = 1.3 fm/c
- dileptons = penetrating probe

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• ρ-meson spectral function particular sensitive to baryon density

RICH2007, Tr

connection to chiral symmetry restoration?

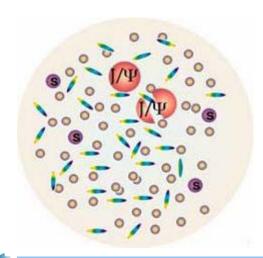


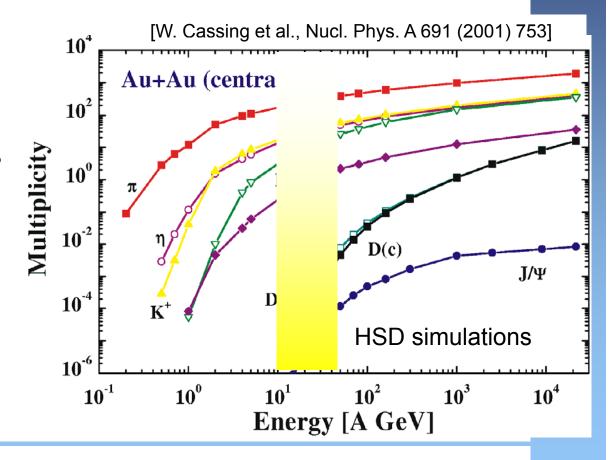
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Charm production at threshold

- CBM will measure charm production at threshold
- → after primordial production, the survival and momentum of the charm quarks depends on the interactions with the dense and hot medium!
- → direct probe of the medium!

- charmonium in hot and dense matter?
- relation to deconfinement?





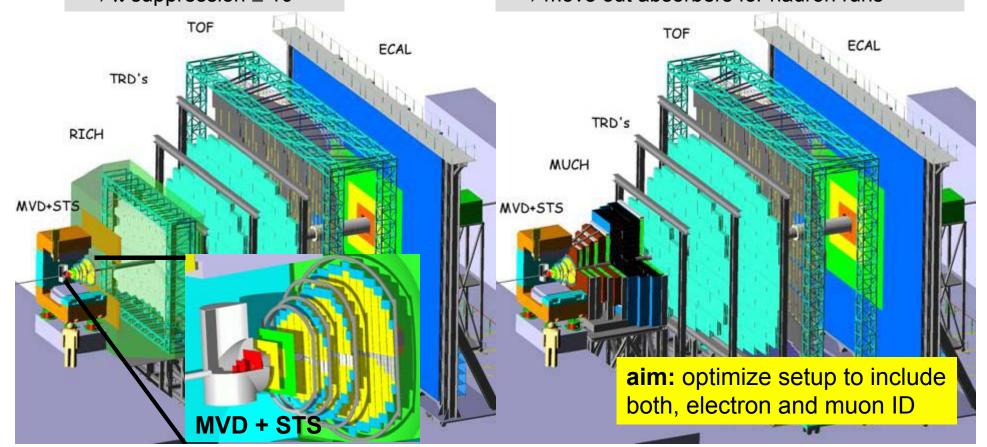
The CBM experiment

- tracking, momentum determination, vertex reconstruction: radiation hard silicon pixel/strip detectors (STS) in a magnetic dipole field
- hadron ID: TOF (& RICH)
- photons, π^0 , η : ECAL

- PSD for event characterization
- high speed DAQ and trigger → rare probes!
- electron ID: RICH & TRD

 → π suppression ≥ 10⁴

muon ID: absorber + detector layer sandwich
 → move out absorbers for hadron runs



RICH concept

task

- clean electron identification for p ≤ 8-10 GeV/c
- π -suppression factor ~ 500-1000, 10⁴ if combined with TRD + TOF
- large acceptance (± 25°), good efficiency (~20 hits/ring)

challenges

- high track density: central Au+Au collisions, 25 AGeV: ~600 charged tracks within ± 25°
- RICH detector positioned behind STS, Magnet (material budget!): large number of secondary electrons
- \rightarrow high ring & track density in RICH detector: typical scale: ~100 rings: 30 π , 60 2nd e[±], 5-10 e[±] from target \rightarrow fake rings, wrong ring-track matches
- interaction rates up to 10 MHz: self-triggered readout electronics

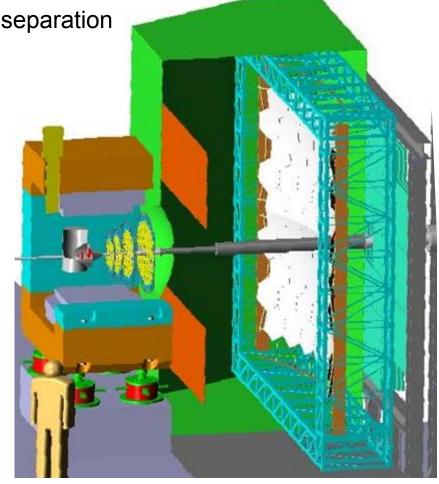
RICH concept (II)

concept

- gaseous RICH detector
- rather high Cherenkov threshold for pions (4.5-6 GeV/c)
 - \rightarrow N₂ radiator (γ_{th} =41, $p_{\pi,th}$ =5.6 GeV/c)

• glass mirrors (4-6 mm, R=4.5m) with vertikal separation

- → focus to upper & lower part of CBM
- → photodetector shielded by magnet yoke
- photodetector plane: PMTs
 - → MAPMTs
 - (e.g. Hamamatsu H8500 with UV windows)
- no further windows
- → Cherenkov photons with $\lambda \ge 200$ nm
- \rightarrow 2.5 m radiator length (22 hits/ring)





Simulations

demand:

• prove feasibility of di-electron (low-mass vector mesons and charmonium) measurement with current CBM detector concept!

challenge of CBM detector setup for di-electron measurement:

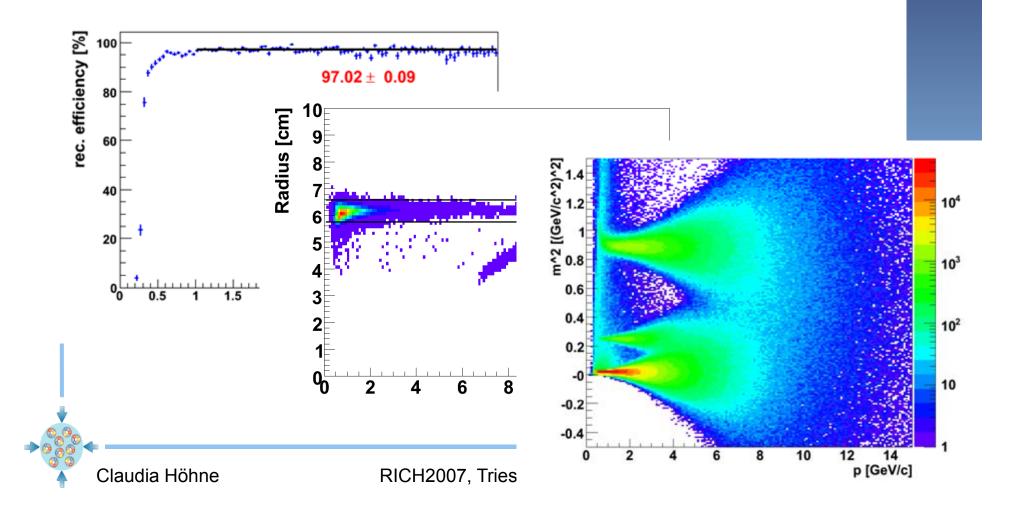
- unusual layout because:
 - no electron identification in front of magnetic field
 - \rightarrow di-electron pairs from π^0 -Dalitz decays and γ -conversion are opened
 - large material budget in front of detectors for electron-ID
 - → many secondary electrons
- → detailed detector and physics simulations performed!
- feasibility of physics measurements proven
- layout optimization and R&D on RICH started



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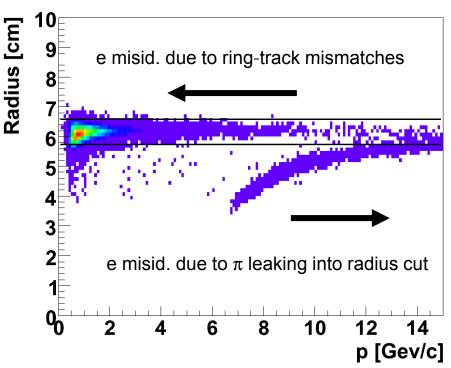
CbmRoot simulation framework

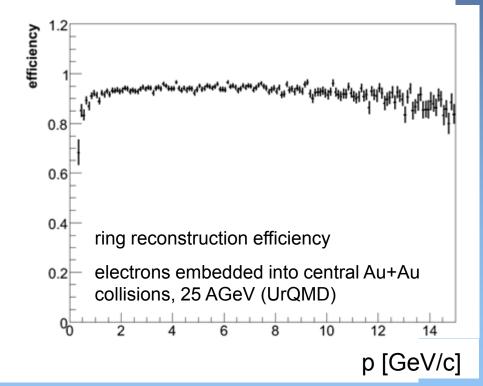
- detector simulation (GEANT3)
- full event reconstruction: track reconstruction, add RICH, TRD and TOF info
- result from feasibility studies in the following: central Au+Au collisions at 25 AGeV beam energy (UrQMD)



RICH in simulations

- RICH geometry: gas vessel (\sim 6.5x5x3 m³) N₂ radiator (photon absorption and dispersion from literature) glass mirror (3mm, reflection from HADES (Al+MgF₂ coating)) photodetector (8x8 MAPMT H8500-03, \sim 6x6 mm² pixel size)
- Nhits/ring = 22, $N_0 \sim 150$ cm⁻¹, $\langle R \rangle_e = 6.2$ cm, $\sigma_R = 2.5\%$ ~ 90 rings per central collision, 25 AGeV Au+Au (occupancy $\sim 2-4\%$)

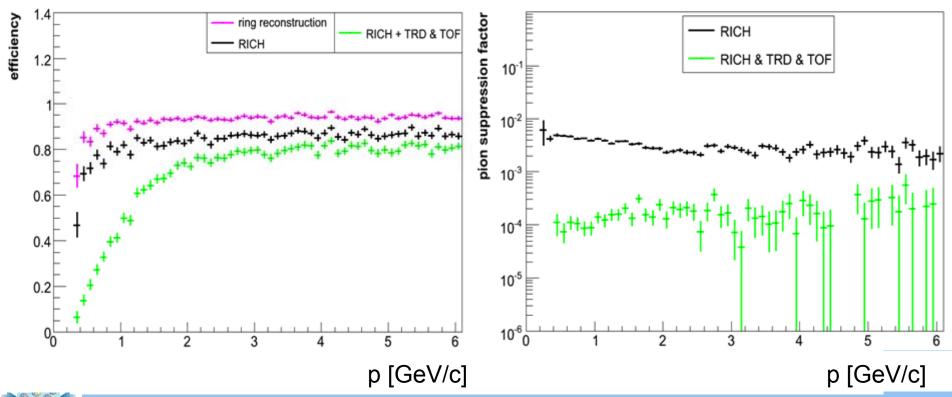






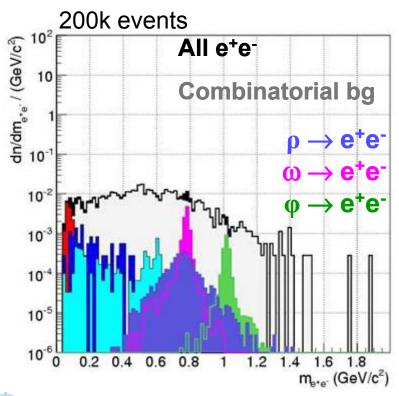
Performance of combined e-ID

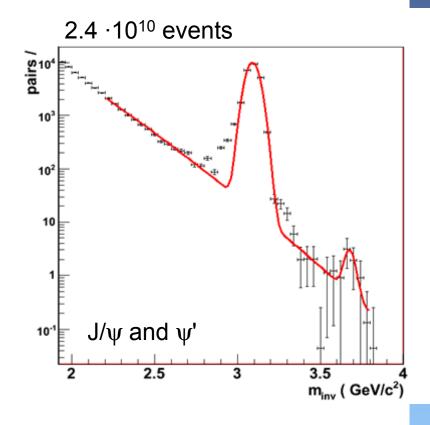
- use TRD and TOF detectors for further electron identification
- combined purity of identified electrons ~96%



Di-electron analysis

- feasibility studies for di-electrons with full event reconstruction and electron-ID
- di-electron pairs embedded into central Au+Au collisions, 25 AGeV (UrQMD)
- 25 μ m Au target (1‰ interaction length) for suppression of (otherwise dominant) background of electrons from γ -conversion in the target ($<\pi^0>\sim 350$)







→ background dominated by physical sources (75%)!

Optimization of RICH layout

- aim: develop more compact design while keeping physics performance → reduce size & costs!
- ansatz: keep ~ 22 hits/ring and overall layout concept
 - → CO₂ radiator, reduced mirror radius of 3 m
- preliminary result of detector simulation: physics performance is kept

	large RICH	compact RICH
gas	N_2	CO ₂
radiator length	2.5 m	1.76 m
full length of RICH	2.9 m	2.1 m
mirror radius	4.5 m	3 m
mirror size	2 x (5.7 x 2) m ²	2 x (4.2 x 1.4) m ²
	~ 22.8 m ²	~ 11.8 m ²
photodetector size **	2 x (3.2 x 1.4) m ²	2 x (2.4 x 0.78) m ²
	~ 9 m ²	~ 3.7 m ²
# channels	~ 200k	~ 85k

overall reduction by factor 2-3!

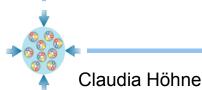
^{**} further reduction possible on account of acceptance losses

RICH mirror

- cooperation with Hochschule Esslingen, University of Applied Sciences and Flabeg (Glass and Coatings Company)
 - → first mirror prototypes (6mm glass, Al+MgF₂ coating) to be delivered in November 2007
 - → test reflectivity, homogeneity, surface roughness
- simulations: maximum glass thickness (multiple scattering)?
- test: minimum thickness while still having sufficient form stability?

Hochschule Esslingen
University of Applied Sciences

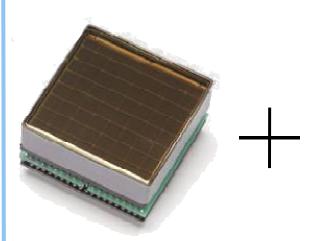




Photodetector

- interaction rates up to 10 MHz foreseen (charm production at threshold)
- fast readout and self-triggered electronics to cope with the high interaction rates and large data volume
- couple to stable, fast photodetectors: flat panel MAPMTs

→ ongoing work for test set-up at GSI



e.g. H8500 from Hamamatsu 5.8x5.8 mm² pixel size effective area/ extrenal size 89%



readout chip test board



fast self-triggered readout electronics: further development of n-XYTER (CBM-DETNI cooperation) readout speed 250 kHz per Channel, 128 channels, i.e. 32 MHz per chip

Summary & Future Plans

Simulations

• feasibility of di-electron measurement (low-mass vector mesons and J/ψ) proven with first, large RICH layout

RICH R&D

- optimization of RICH geometry with respect to costs & physics ongoing!
- (slow) start of mirror and photodetector R&D
- goal: RICH prototype within next 2-3 years, beam tests

CBM

- Technical Design Report ~2011
- be ready for data taking ~2015



CBM collaboration

China:

CCNU Wuhan USTC Hefei

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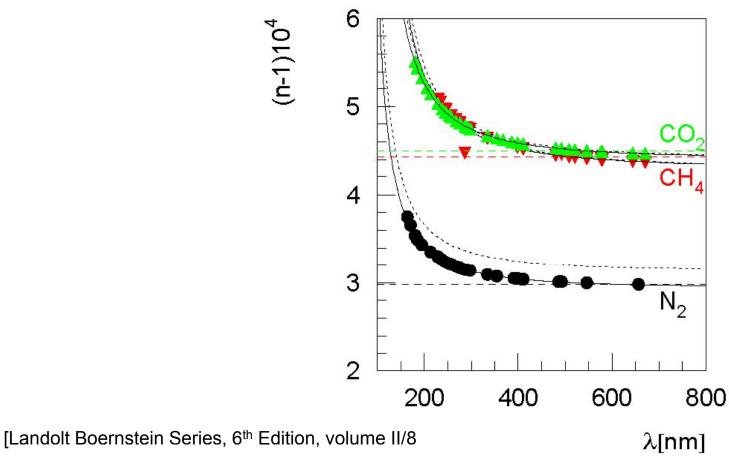


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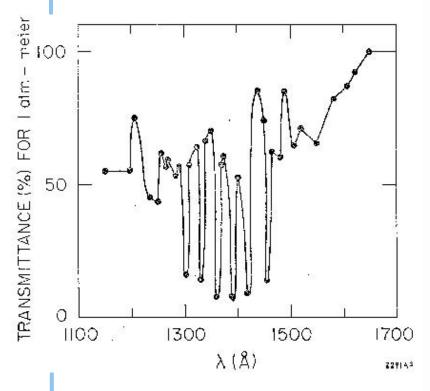
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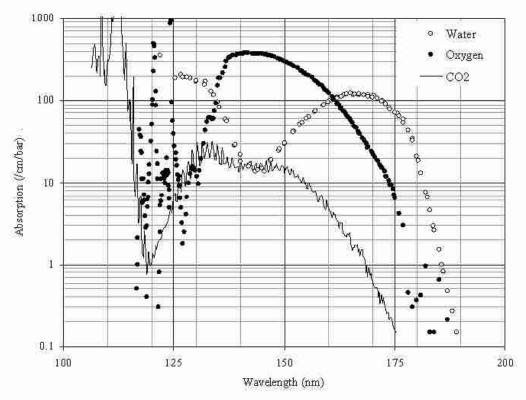


Ph.D. thesis of Annick Bideau-Mehu (1982)]

Parameters for simulation (II)

photon absorption





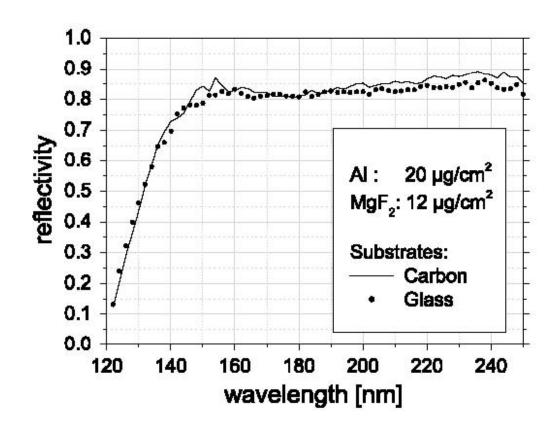
[Y.Tomkiewicz and E.L.Garwin, NIM V114 (1974) pp. 413-416]

[O. Ullaland, talk RICH2004]



Parameters for simulation (III)

mirror reflectivity (HADES)





[J.Friese for HADES, NIM A 502 (2003) 241]

Event display

UrQMD simulation of central Au+Au collisions, 25 AGeV event display of inner fraction of RICH detector:

