

# SoLID Heavy Gas Cherenkov Update

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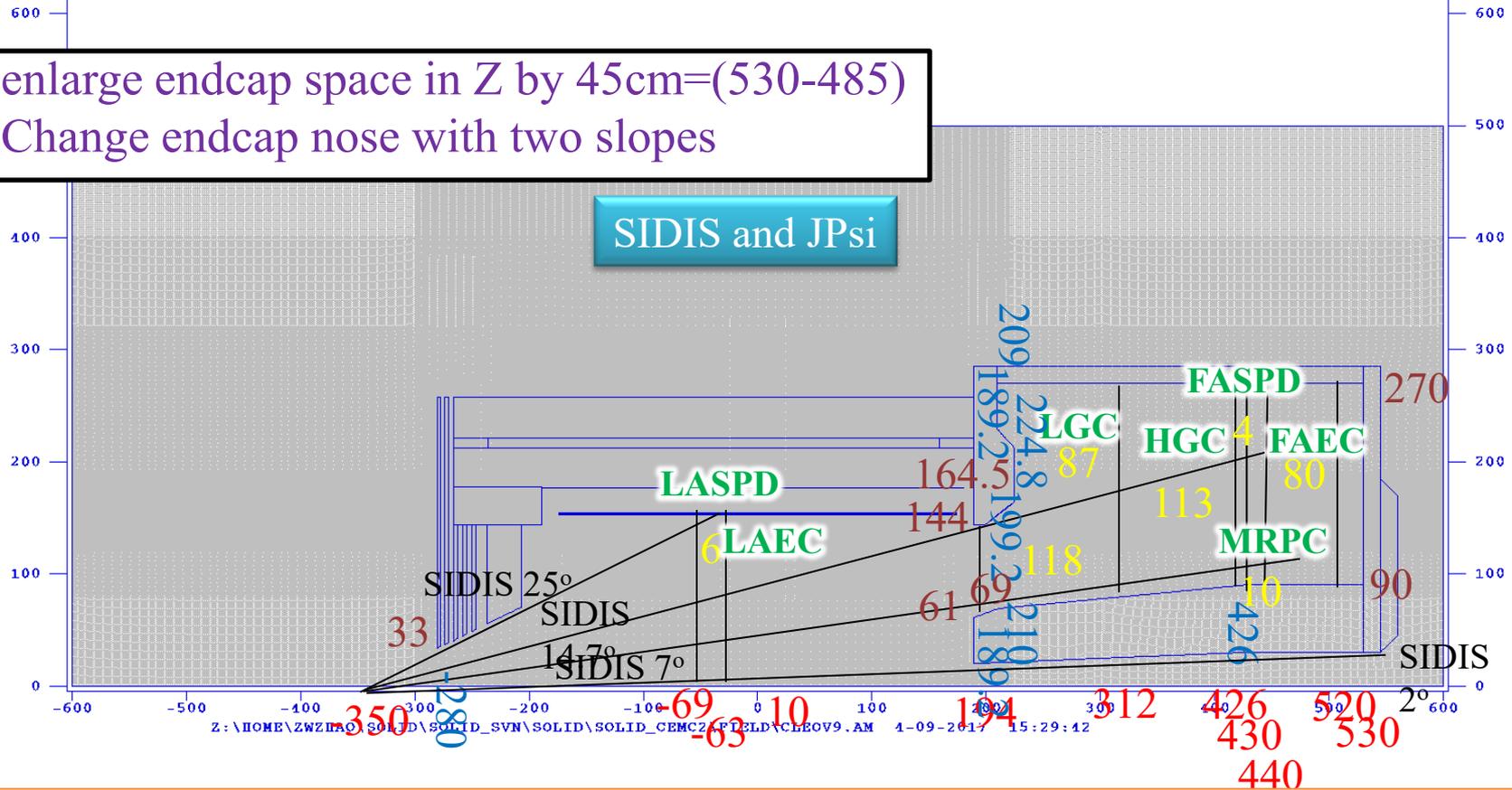


# Overview

- New optical design with new magnet
- New engineering design with new magnet
- Window design and test
- Gas system
- Magnetic Shielding
- Readout and DAQ
- Mirror coating update

# Proposed Layout and Magnet

enlarge endcap space in Z by 45cm=(530-485)  
Change endcap nose with two slopes



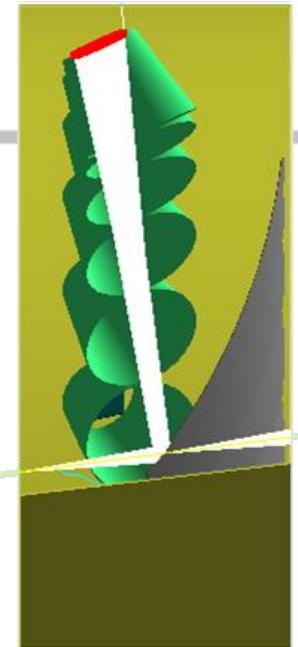
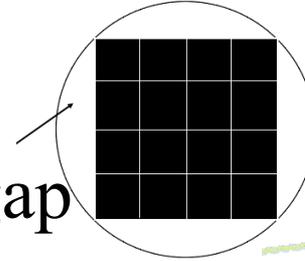
## HGC change and condition:

- move 20cm downstream, boundary Z=312-426cm
- assume front window at z=326cm and leave 14cm for window bulging and clearance
- cover more forward particle, 7 deg instead 8 deg from He3 target center at Z=-350cm
- cover large angle 14.7 deg at Z=-350cm, and optimize for full 40cm target
- Take field effect into account for both He3 and NH3 setup

# Optical Design

## Old design

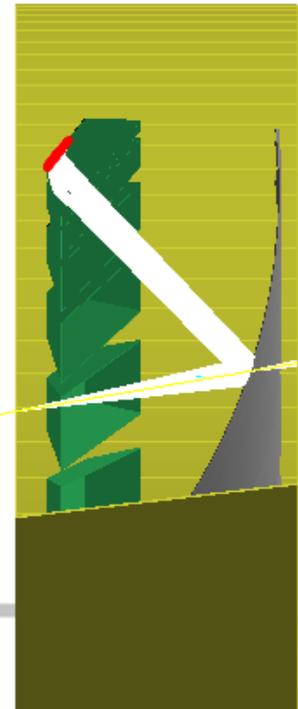
- No shielding behind PMT
- large light loss (20-30%) at the gap between PMT and cone



## New design

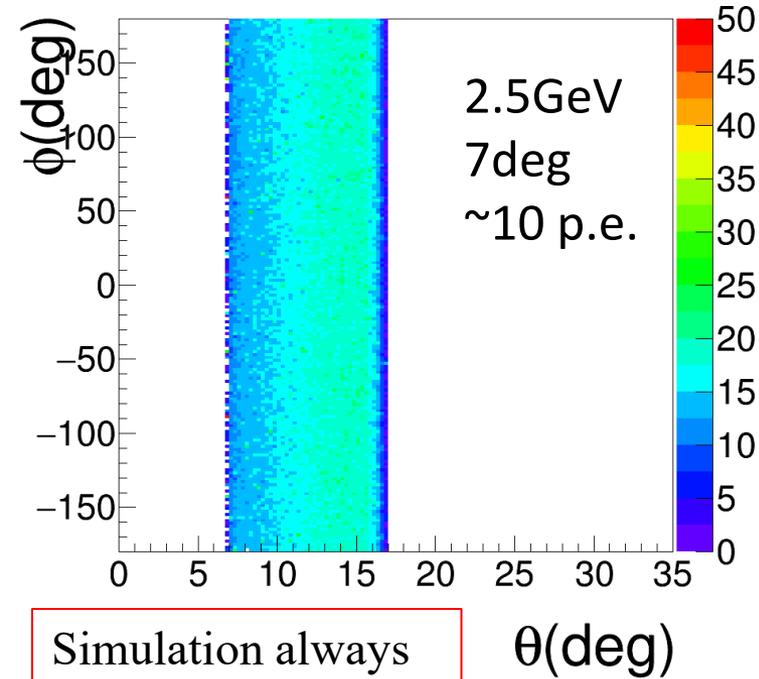
- Room for shielding behind PMT
- Pyramid cone collects all lights
- Optimize for 7deg to have one bounce photons only
- Use as much as possible gas length with mirror inner edge at  $Z=390\text{cm}$  with 210cm radius
- Less gas volume, more room for tank mechanic structure

Bo Yu, visiting undergrad from Shandong U. China

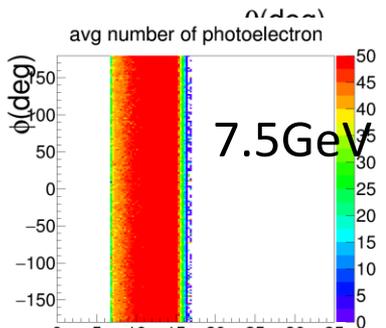
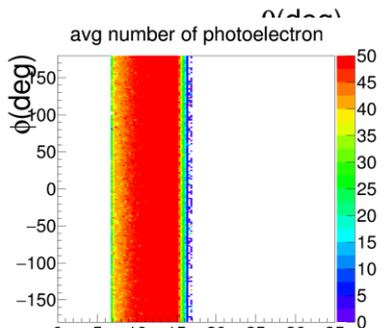
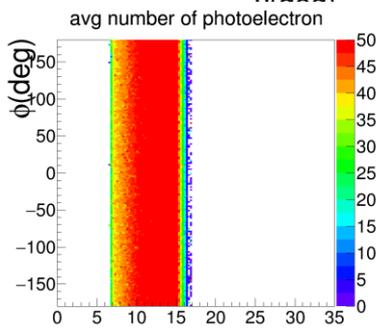
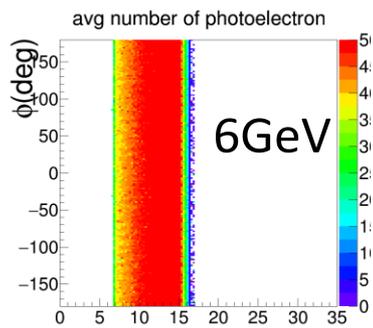
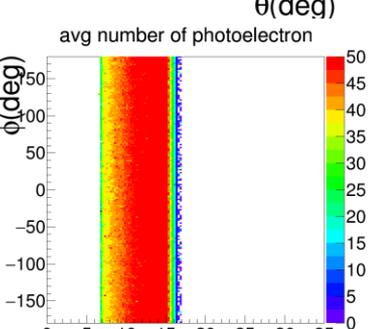
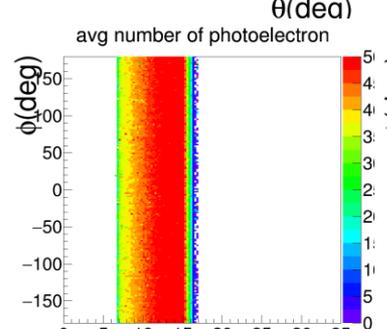
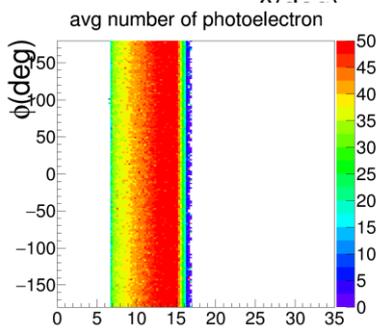
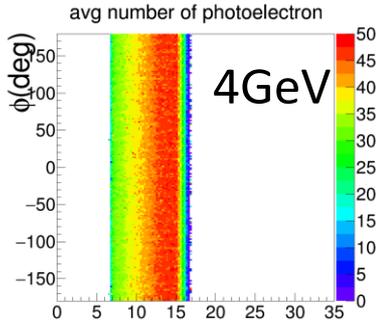
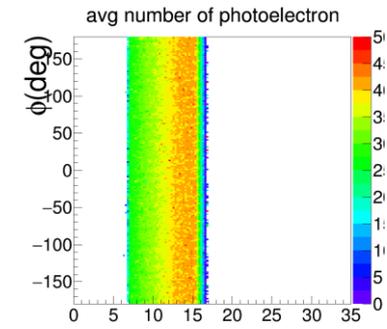
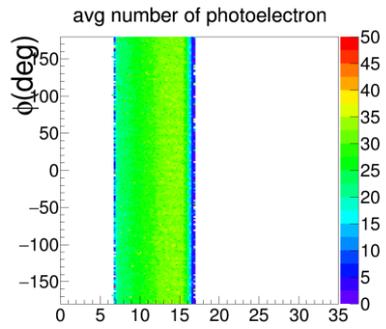


# SIDIS He3, 2.5-7.5GeV, pi-, Vz=-350cm no field

avg number of photoelectron



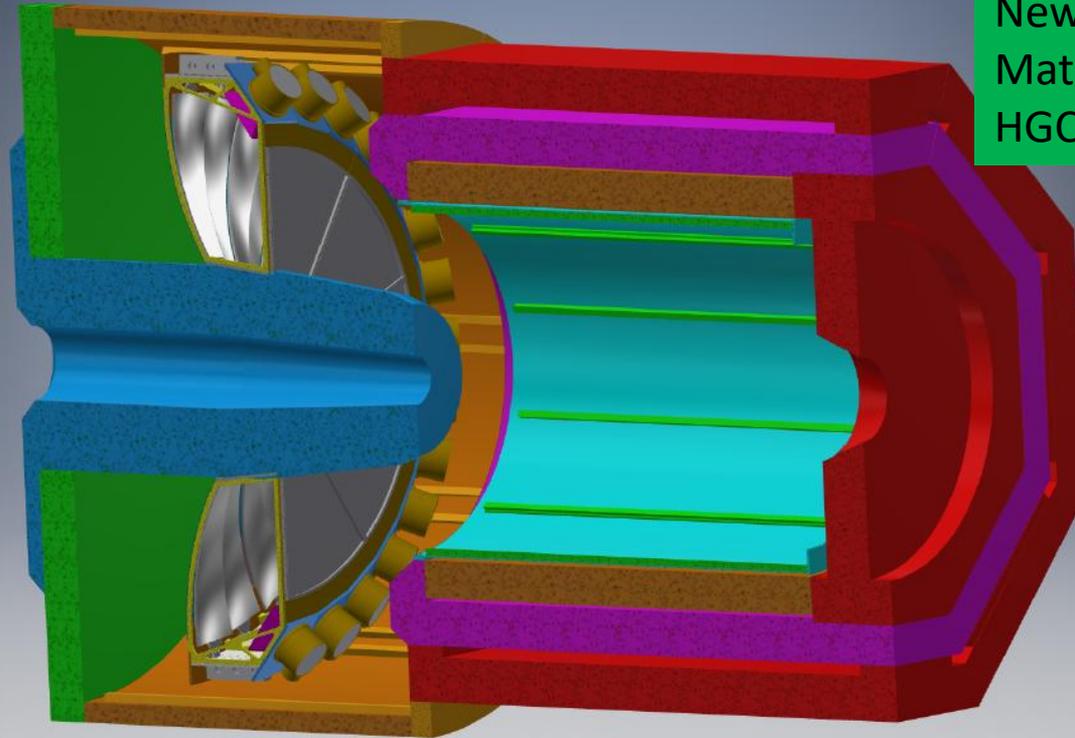
Simulation always has a safety factor 2



Work ongoing to study field effect



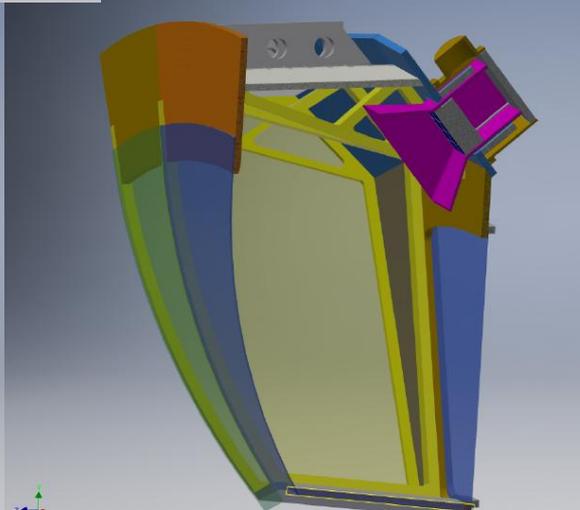
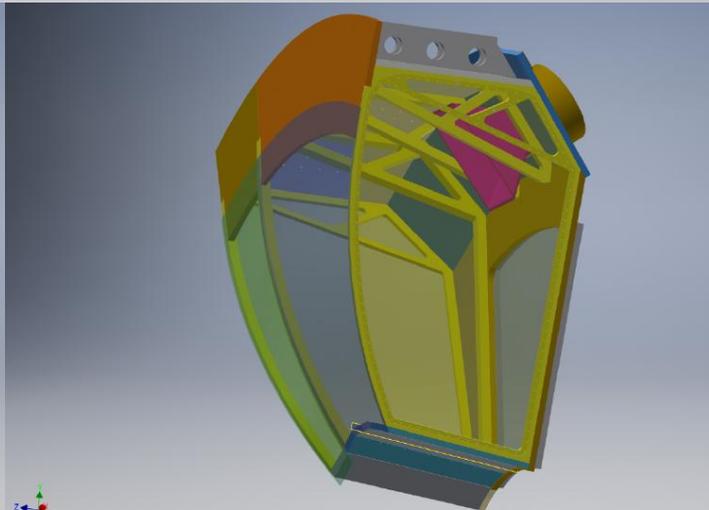
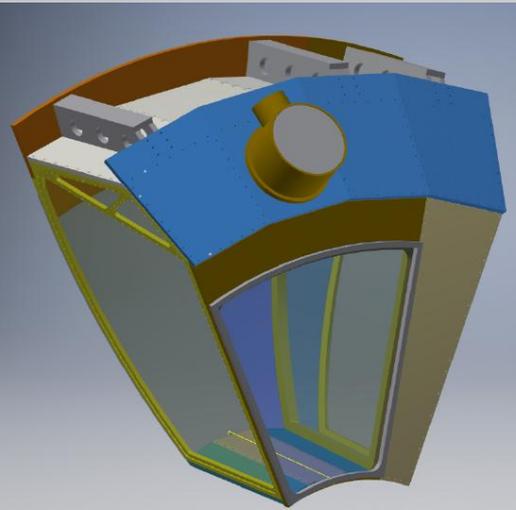
# Design of whole HGC detector and one sector prototype



New Magnet CAD from Whit Seay  
Matching Jay Benesch's field design  
HGC CAD from Gary Swift @ Duke

To reach physics at 7deg, may need trim endcap nose from 7 to 6.8 deg, wait for other detector like LGC to confirm

*Need Jlab support to review design to reach the goal of building prototype by end of 2018 at Regina*



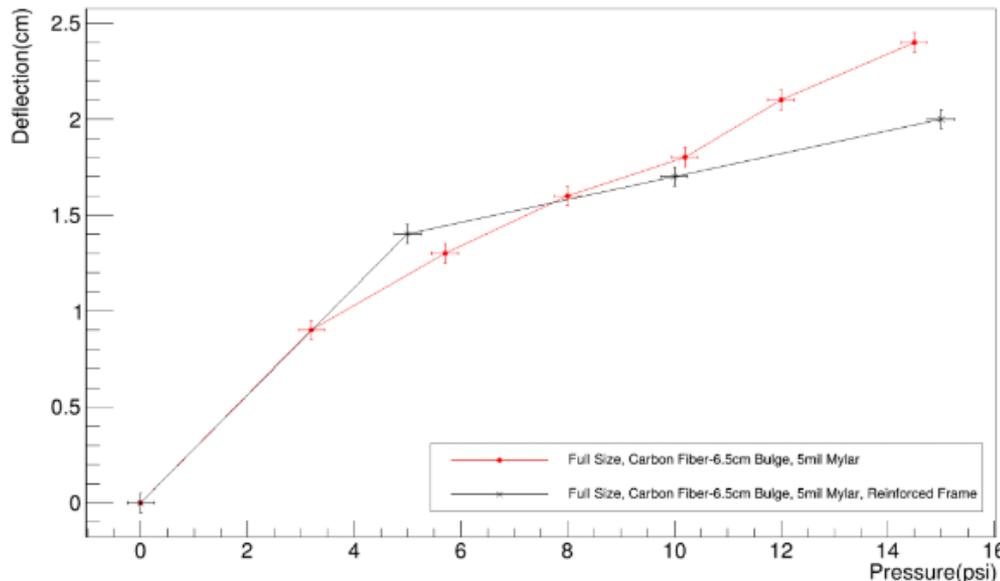
# Full Size Carbon-Fiber Window



- ❑ Moderate success with full size CF shell:
  - ❑ Structurally stable at +1 atm
  - ❑ Failure in pressure seal due to previously identified frame issues
  - ❑ Alarming creaking noises from shell under stress while inflating; potential safety concern
  - ❑ Deflection only 2cm beyond constructed bulge at maximum pressure



Full Size Window Deflection

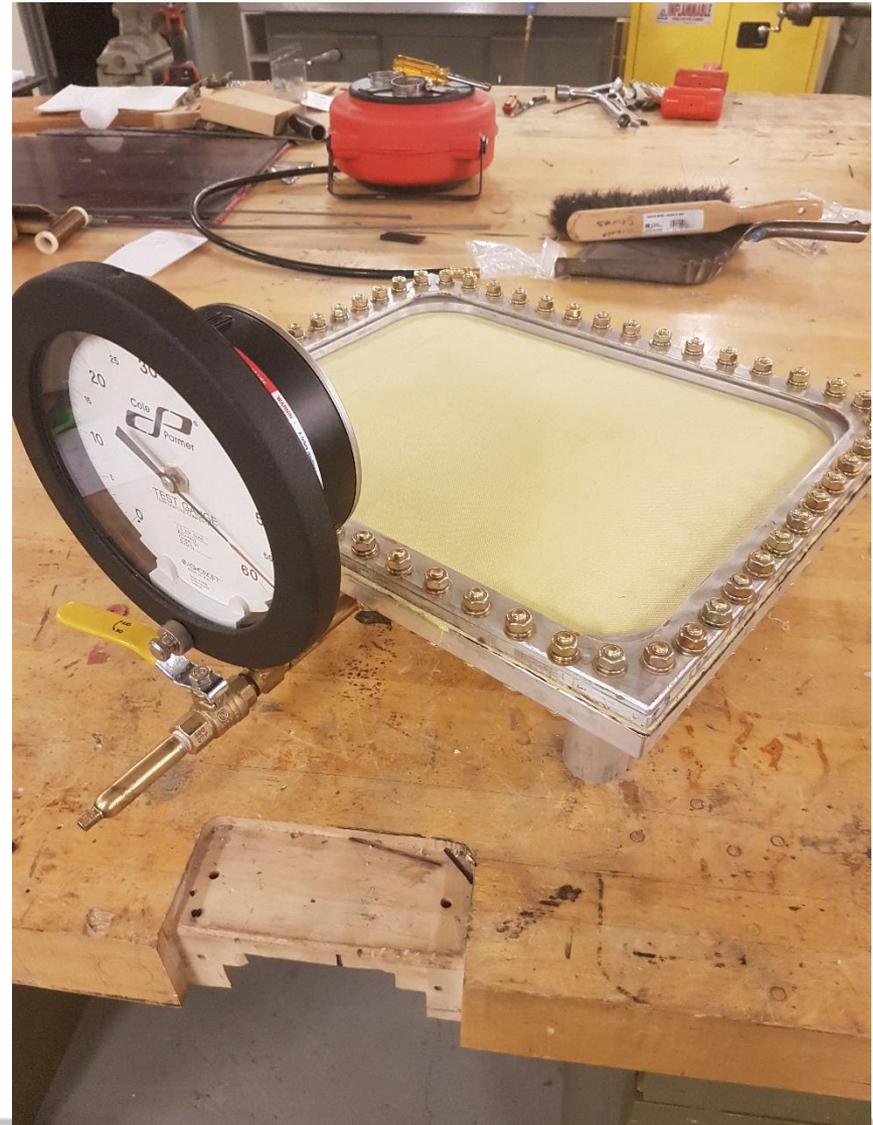


- ❑ New test frame following recent modifications forthcoming
- ❑ Replacement of O-ring with gasket being considered

# Heavier Stock Carbon Fiber



- ❑ Heavier stock carbon fiber fabric obtained from Fiber Glast
- ❑ Want to try flat window to improve clearance and simplify fabrication
- ❑ Flat window structurally stable at +4 atm where previous flat window (with lighter CF) failed
- ❑ Significantly reduced creaking noises over previous tests
- ❑ Maintaining pressure for 40 days and counting!
  
- ❑ Very promising results from the thicker Carbon Fiber
- ❑ Next test will be a full size version, possibly on whole new frame



# Gas System

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- HGC gas system: The volume of the detector is 20 m<sup>3</sup> filled with 300kg heavy gas (C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>10</sub>) at 1.5 atm (0.5 atm pressure difference)
- Hall B LTCC gas system designed by George Jacob
  - ❑ Large volume (7.2 m<sup>3</sup> x 6), thin window at 1 atm
  - ❑ Major components: gas supply, pressure control and protection, C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>10</sub> recovery and distillation unit
- Since the heavy gas is expensive, we prefer a similar system with recovery and distillation unit after consulting with Jack Segal and George Jacob
- Detector tank can not be vacuumed, so a “flushing” procedure with N<sub>2</sub> will be used during filling
  - Single fill require 900 kg gas, and most of them could be recovered by the distillation unit
- Sealed after the gas filling

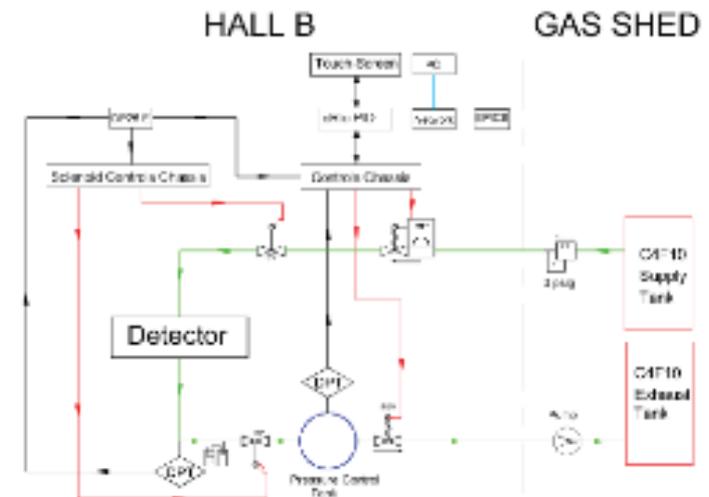


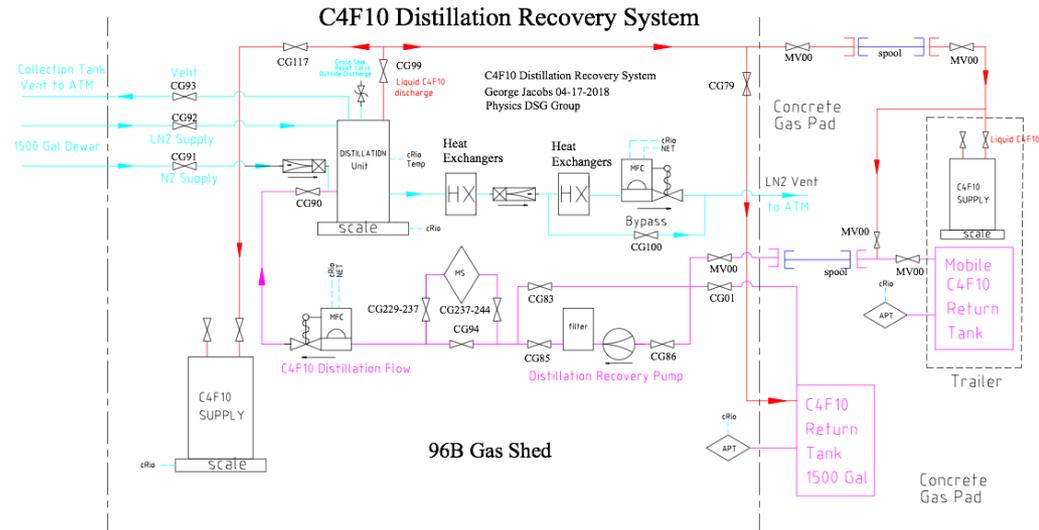
FIG. 1. LTCC gas controls diagram. Red lines are power, blue are network, black are signal, and green are gas flow.

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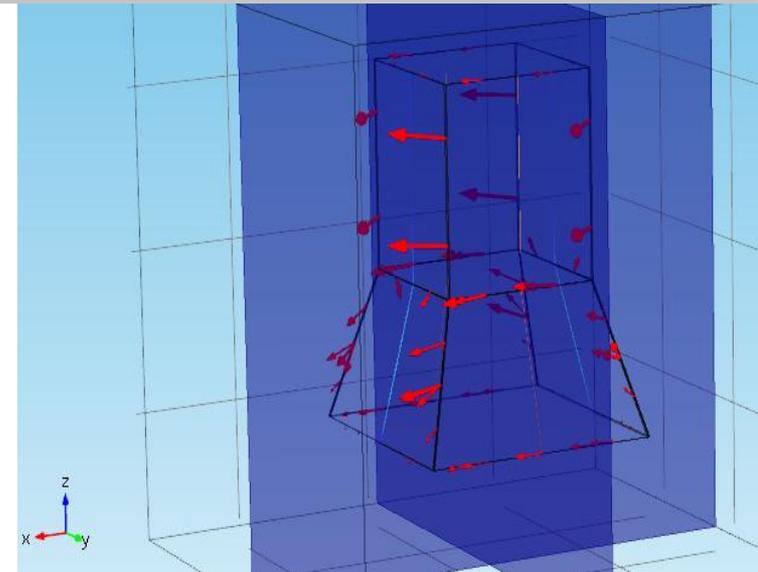
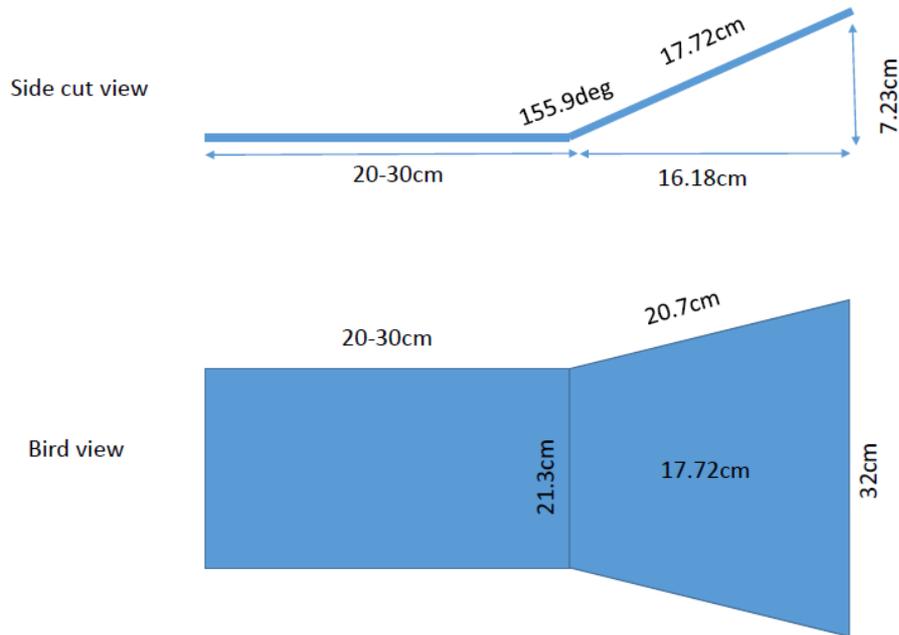
- C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>10</sub> gas recovery and distillation
- Gas will be flushed out by nitrogen and collected by a large return tank
- The tank could be located on a mobile trailer so we could share the distillation unit with Hall B LTCC and other project
- Cost estimation for a fill-and-seal system:



- ❑ The material cost of the system is \$600k ~ \$650k in total
- ❑ \$200k for the C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>10</sub> supply tank and the filling system
- ❑ \$200k for the return gas tank and the gas recovery system which is not shareable
- ❑ \$200k ~ \$250k for the gas distillation unit (could be less if we could share it with LTCC)
- ❑ About 2 FTE manpower cost for design and build this system

# Magnetic shielding

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Simulation with COSMOL

Join 4 sides by welding and annealing

Use layers of low carbon steel and mumetal

*Dew Smith and Chao Gu*

Material: Pure Iron

Permeability: 10000

Thickness: 2 mm

B outside : 100 Gs

B inside at PMT (center): < 2 Gs

Shielding factor with no gap: 20

*Wei Ji*

# Readout and DAQ

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- MAROC readout system
  - ❑ New readout board with MAROC chips and a total sum for H12700 PMT readout
  - ❑ Planning a high rate readout test the Hall B test platform with laser
  - ❑ The system will be used for the prototype telescopic Cherenkov and a high rate beam test will be performed in the future

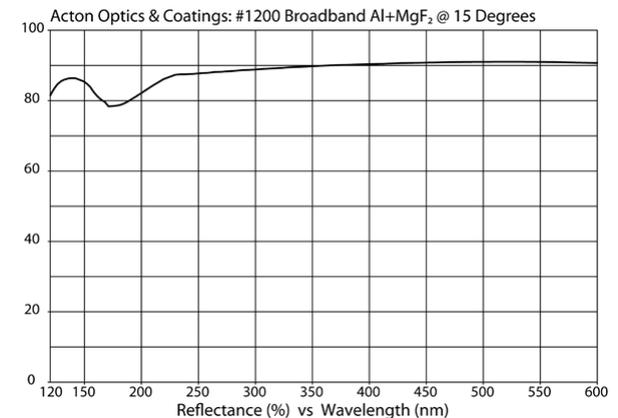
*Dew Smith and Chao Gu*

# Mirror coating update

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- In April 2018, last piece of equipment, the rotating shaft + motor for rotating the mirror blank (frame) inside the evaporator was received
- installation of the equipment at least until August because of current work with sPHENIX
- will coat and test the small CFRP coupons first
- Plan to pursue the highest reflectivity down to 120 nm, and hope to match WLS-coated MAPMT at 160nm at least. will see how it goes once start coating

Klaus Dehmelt and Tom Hammick @ SBU





# HGC optical system optimization

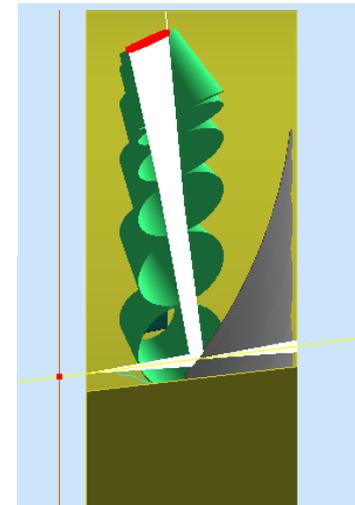
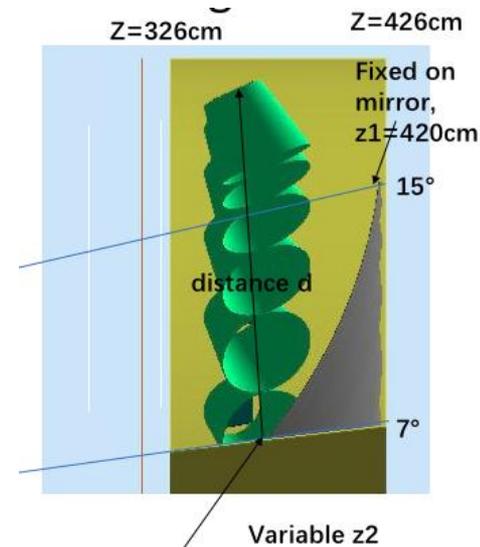
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## Elements

- Spherical mirror: determined by  $z_1$ ,  $z_2$  and radius  $r$
- PMT: determined by tilt angle and distance  $d$  from PMT center to  $z_2$
- Reflective/shielding cone: shape, length, opening

## Approach

- $z_1=420\text{cm}$  is determined by boundary
- Try the radius  $r$  and variable  $z_2$  to set the mirror
- Then adjust the position of PMT and parameters of cones to collect photons effectively
- Very small region found when given  $r$  and  $z_2$  because we hope to collect all the photons
- Approximate feasible region of  $r$  and  $z_2$ :
  - $z_2=390\text{cm}$   $r=210$  to  $250\text{cm}$
  - $z_2=380\text{cm}$   $r=240$  to  $280\text{cm}$
  - $z_2=370\text{cm}$   $r=280$  to  $300\text{cm}$outside which we can't find a position for PMT to collect all the light



- Make light emitted by 7 degrees pions directly reflected to the center of PMT
- Large  $z_2$  and smaller  $r$  will give more gas length and more photons

# Mirror

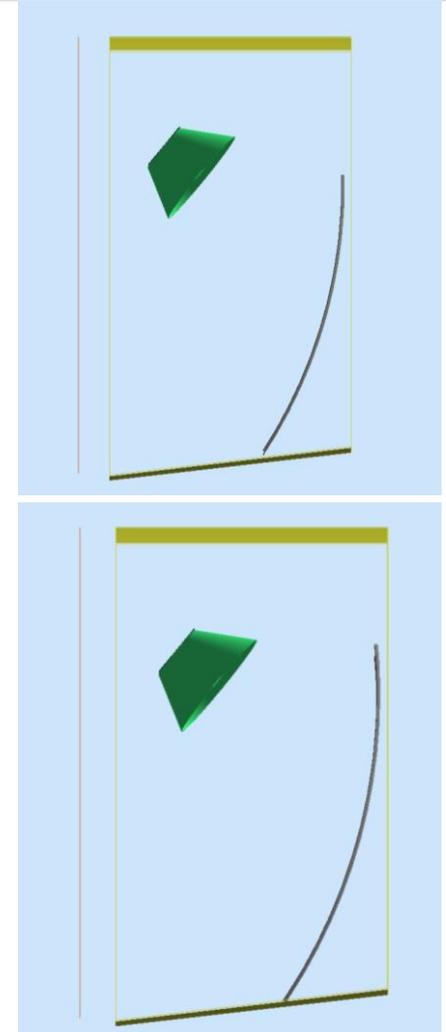
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- 1. Cover more on small and large angles

Change: cut by 7 and 15 degrees -->  
cut by 6.8 and 16 degrees

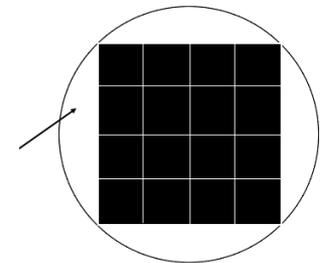
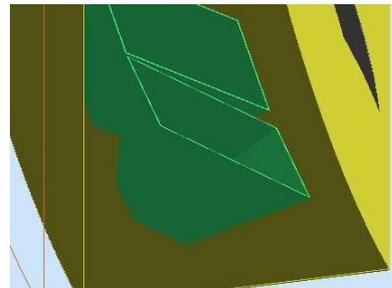
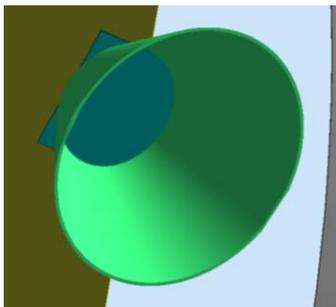
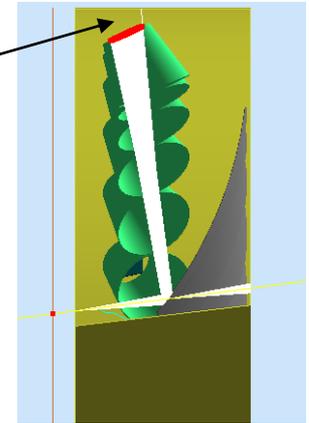
- 2. Adjust the position and radius to lengthen path distance for small angles

Change: Make  $r$  smaller and  $z_2$  greater, currently  $r=210\text{cm}$ ,  $z_2=390\text{cm}$



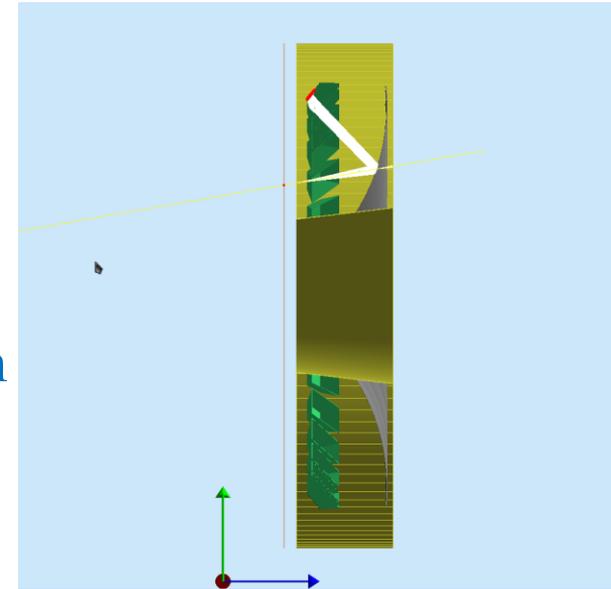
# Reflective cone and shielding

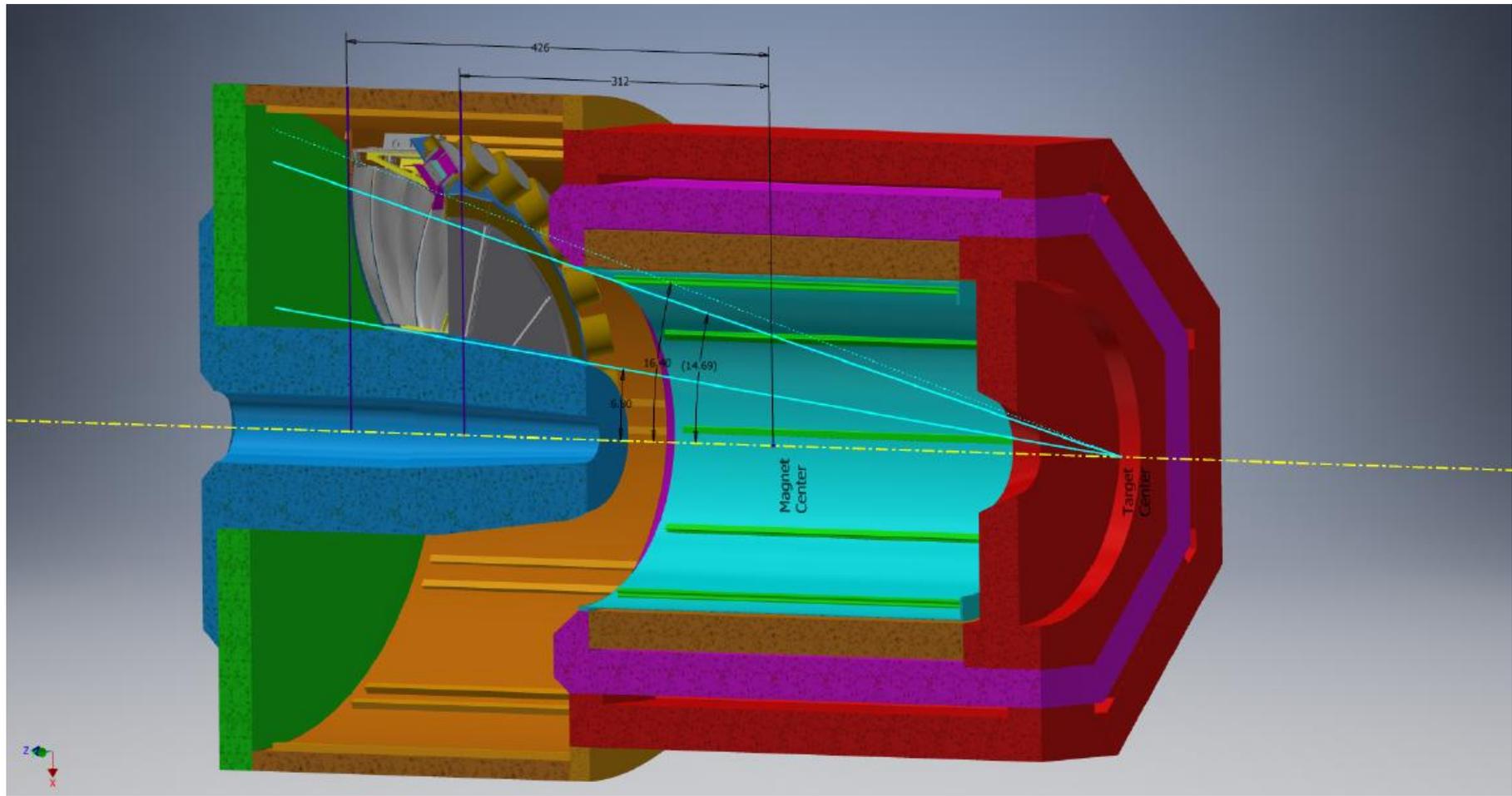
- 1. No shielding behind PMT  
Change: leave enough room behind
- 2. Light loss at the gap between PMT and cone  
Change: Use smaller-end cone or pyramid-like cone  
We used the latter one when testing  
TBD by the test on the shielding effect

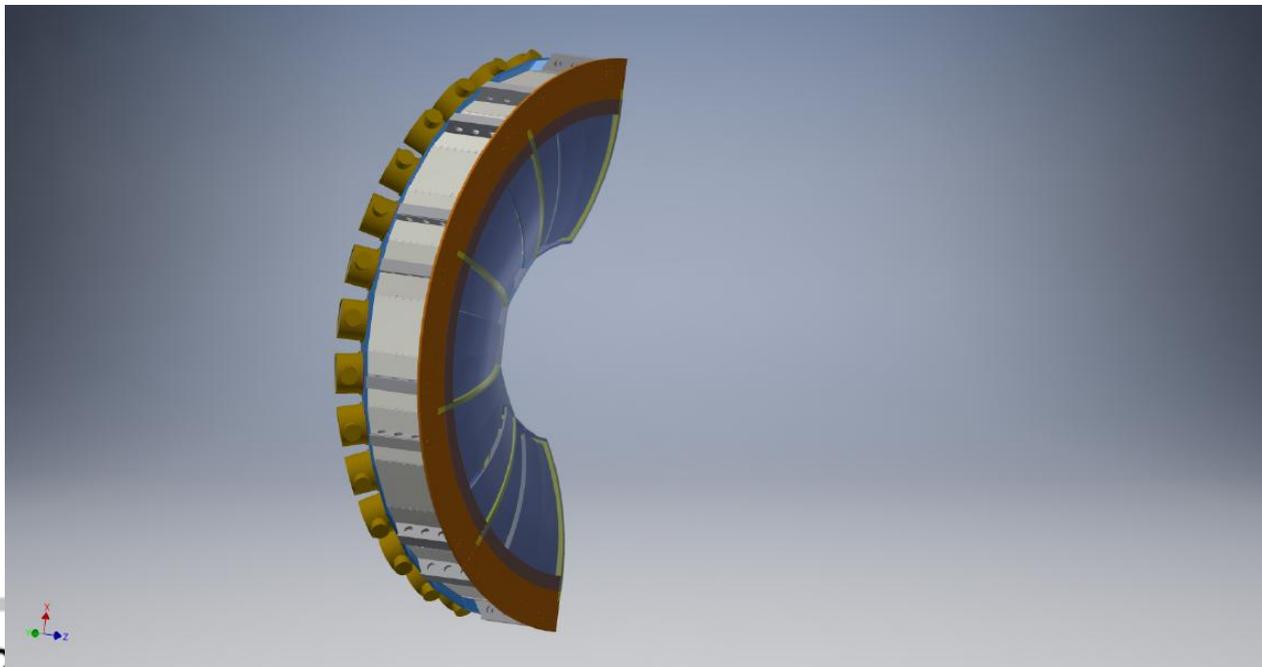
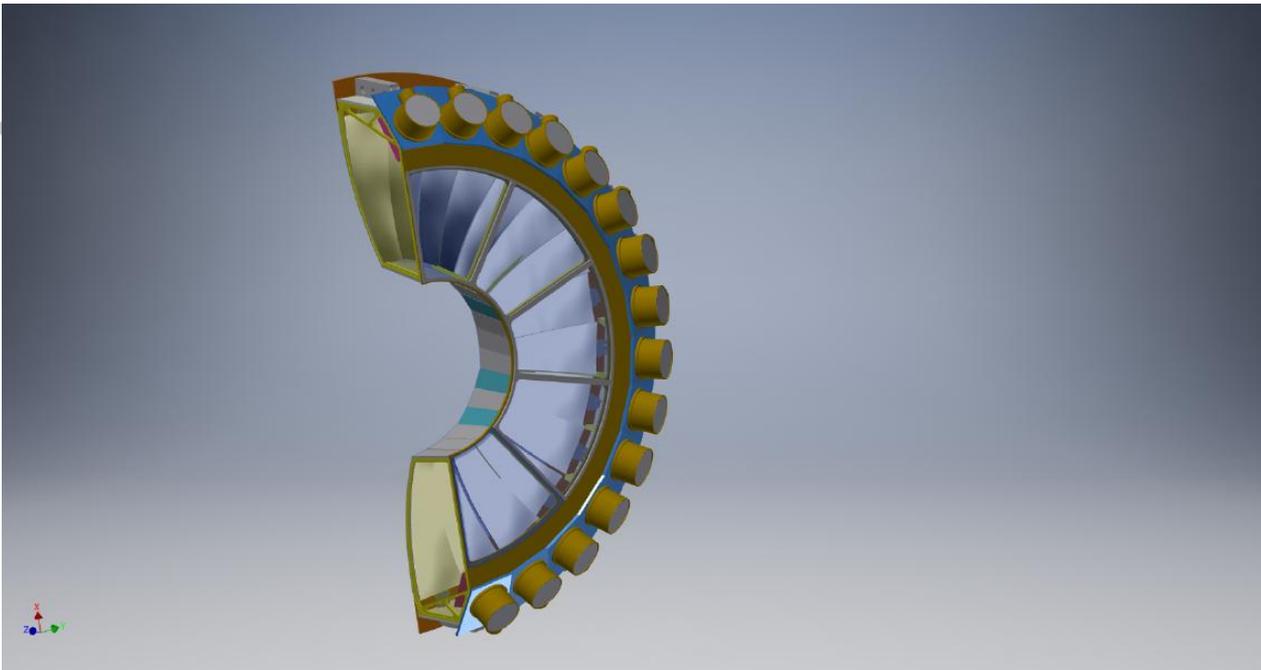


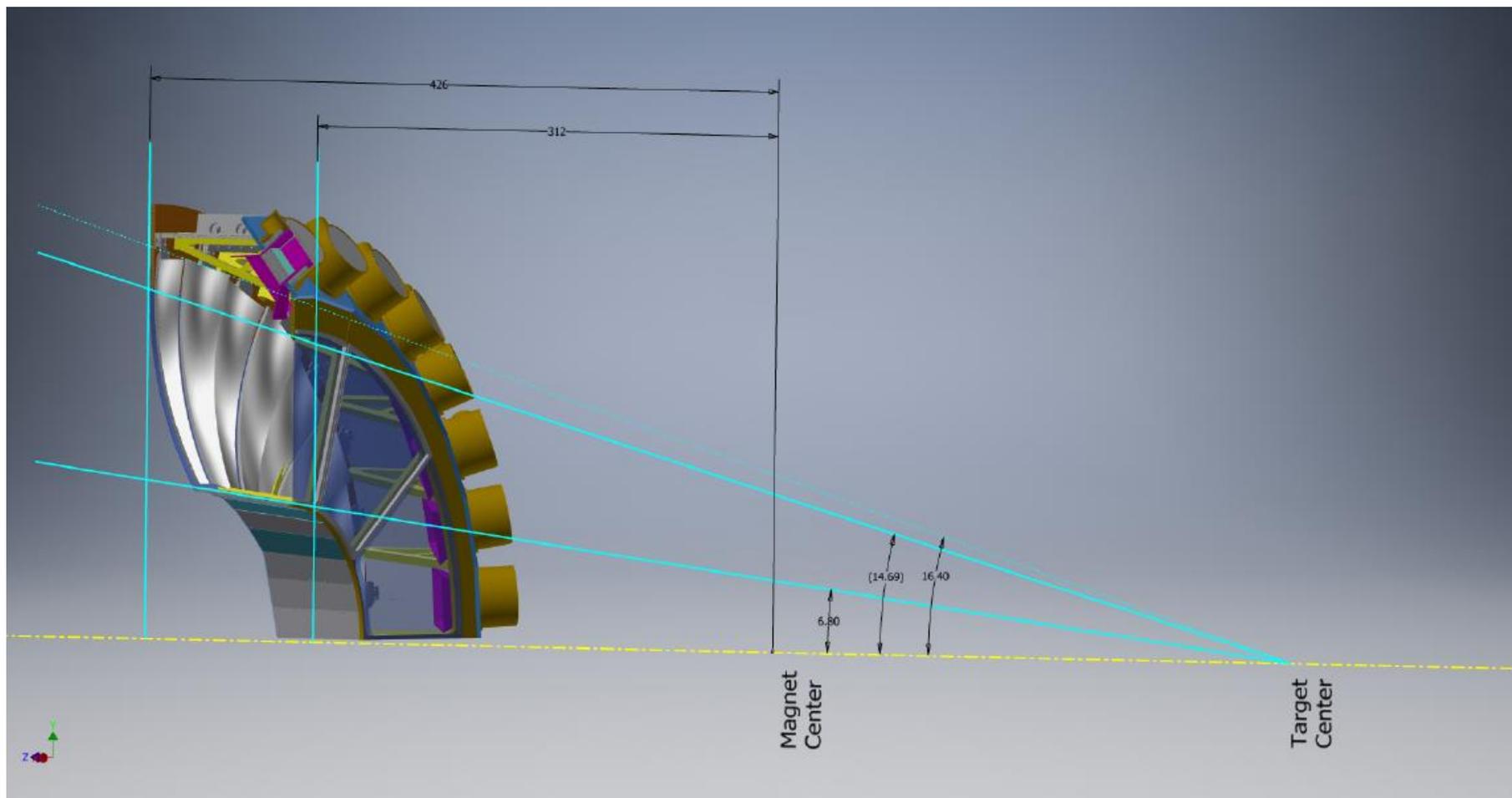
the sector at  $\phi=0$  deg

- Mirror: radius  $r=210\text{cm}$ ,  $z_2=390\text{cm}$   
center:  $x=199.23\text{cm}$ ,  $y=0\text{cm}$ ,  $z=210.12\text{cm}$
- PMT: distance  $d=135\text{cm}$ , tilt angle=39 degrees  
center:  $x=215.48\text{cm}$ ,  $y=0\text{cm}$ ,  $z=343.74\text{cm}$   
width: 21.3cm  
four corners:  $x=223.76\text{cm}$   $y=\pm 10.65\text{cm}$   $z=350.44\text{cm}$   
 $x=207.20\text{cm}$   $y=\pm 10.65\text{cm}$   $z=337.04\text{cm}$
- Refelection: length=16.18cm, end  $32\text{cm} \times 44.82\text{cm}$   
 $x=222.71\text{cm}$   $y=\pm 16.00\text{cm}$   $z=370.41\text{cm}$   
 $x=187.88\text{cm}$   $y=\pm 16.00\text{cm}$   $z=342.22\text{cm}$







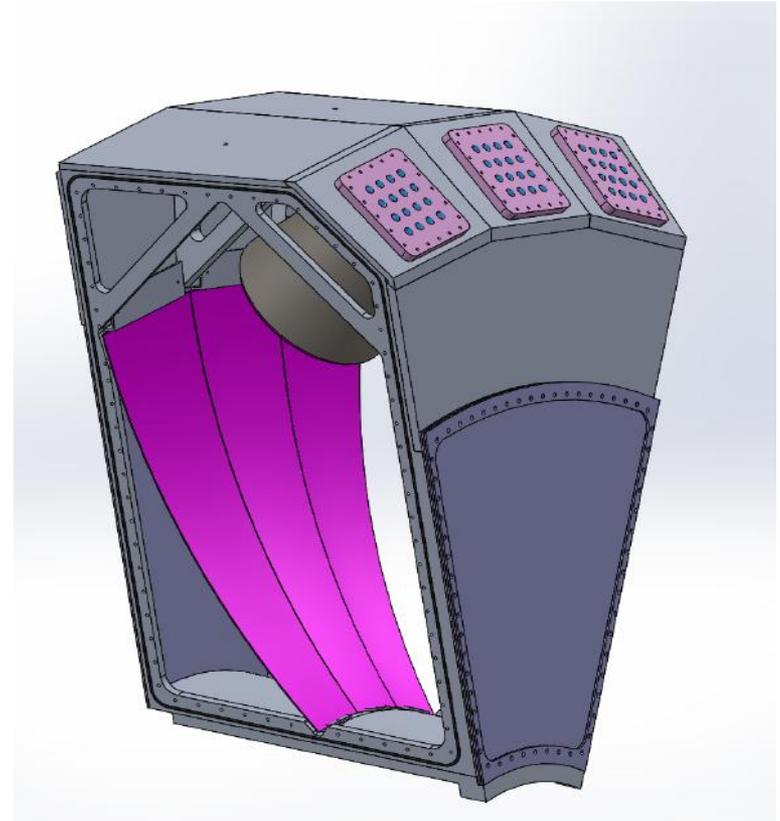


# HGC Prototyping Update

**C\$100k grants allow the U.Regina group to construct one SoLID HGC module for testing.**

## **Questions to be addressed:**

- Enclosure deformation at 1.5 atm operating pressure (investigate design and metal alloy options).
- Performance of the O-ring seals against adjacent units.
- Performance of thin entrance window in terms of light and gas tightness (test several options).



Conceptual design by Gary Swift, Duke U.

# Window Prototypes

- ❑ **Testing Requirements:**
  1. Safely hold 2x operating pressure for extended time periods
  2. Minimize bulge for clearance in SoLID
  3. Reproducible fabrication
- ❑ **Two prototype window frames:**
  - ❑ Full size window testing at +1 atm
  - ❑ Quarter-scale version testing at +4 atm

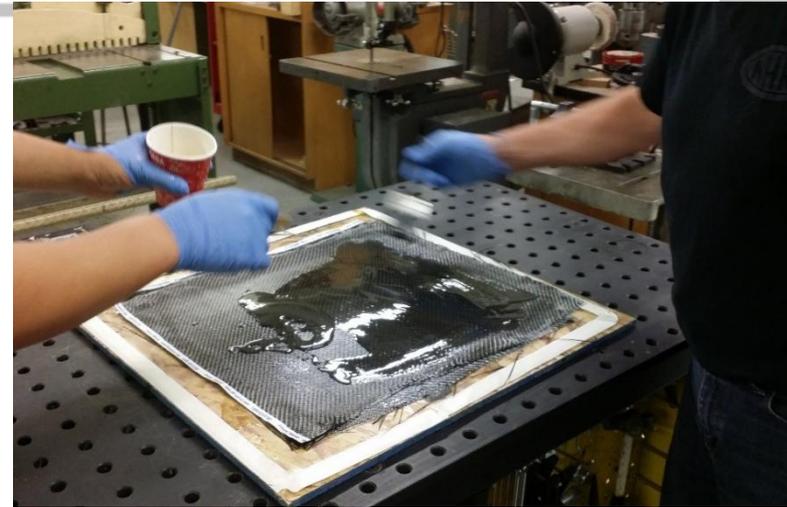


Above: Full size test window  
Left: Quarter-scale test window frame

# Carbon-Fiber Shell

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- ❑ **Hard shell constructed with Fiber-Glast carbon- fiber and epoxy.**
- ❑ **Mylar inner window beneath shell is used to seal against O-ring.**
- ❑ **Kevlar from previous test placed on top as a safety measure, as protection against a catastrophic shell failure.**



Above: Fabrication of carbon fiber shell with epoxy

Left: Foam mold for full size window shell

