



Belle II PID Systems

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Belle II @ SuperKEKB





- Belle II experiment at KEK: flavor physics experiment, successor of Belle.
- SuperKEKB Asymmetric electron-positron collider: 4 GeV e⁺ + 7 GeV e⁻.
- Nano beam scheme to achieve high luminosity.
- Operation with full detector started in 2019.
- Now in Long Shutdown 1 (2022 Jul 2023 Nov)
- Luminosity 4.7×10^{34} cm⁻² s⁻¹ achieved so far (aiming one order higher).
- Plan to accumulate one order larger dataset than belle (50 ab⁻¹)



SuperKEKB and Belle II



- Luminosity 4.7 × 10³⁴ cm⁻² s⁻¹ achieved (Jun 8, 2022).
 - ✓ World record (~ ×2 of KEKB)
 - ✓ Aiming one order higher.
- 424 fb⁻¹ of data accumulated so far.
 - ✓ Belle: 1 ab⁻¹ (= 1000 fb⁻¹) in 11 years' operation.
 - ✓ Belle II target: O(10) of Belle.





Operation will be resumed in the end of 2023.

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ARICH (Aerogel RICH)



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Aerogel RICH







Photodetector



Photodetector

- ~5mm pixel size. Sensitive to single photon
- Large coverage (3 m²).
- Immune to 1.5T magnetic field.
- Radiation tolerance (10¹² cm⁻² neutron).





□4.9[mm]

➡ HAPD (Hybrid Avalanche Photo-Detector)



Hybrid: Vacuum tube + semi-conductor

- Developed with Hamamatsu Photonics.
- 144 channels (36-ch APD chip × 4).
- Gain ~ 70000.
- Peak QE ~28%
- Size 73mm × 73mm.
- Effective area 63mm×63mm (65%).

Total 420 HAPDs

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Electronics





420 HAPDs + Front-end Boards 72 Merger Boards

Front-end Board

- 4 ASIC + Xilinx FPGA (Spartan6).
- ASIC : preamp + shaper + discriminator.



- Total 60480 channels.
 - \checkmark 1-bit ON/OFF information is enough.

Merger



- Receive hitdata from 5-6 front-end boards.
- Zero suppression.
- Send to DAQ.

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0.9

0.8

0.7

0.2

Performance



Particle Identification (PID) by ARICH is obtained from the comparison of the hit pattern and the expected PDF for different particle hypothesis.

0.4

0.35



- Reconstruction procedure is rather simple.
- Many minor things to be considered (aerogel tile edge, reflection of photons inside HAPDs...)





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DATA (mu-mu bucket 6)

 $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$

60cm < r < 95cm

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Upgrade



- HAPDs are expected to work for ~10 years, but additional HAPDs cannot be purchased any more → upgrade around 2030- ?
- Candidate photon sensors: MPPC (SiPM), LAPPD (MCP based detector)
- MPPC has better performance (PDE) but has large concern on the dark count and radiation damage (>10¹² n / cm² @ 1 MeV equiv. is expected.)
 - ✓ Cooling (~ -40° C ?) is necessary.
 - Readout electronics with fast timing capability (fastIC chip developed for LHCb ARICH is a candidate)
- LAPPD looks a promising option, but it is still at development stage and its performance (PDE etc.) is not so good.
 - $\checkmark\,$ Study just started at JSI.

64 (8×8) ch MPPC



LAPPD (Large Area Picosecond PhotoDetector) : 200mm × 200mm









- Belle II ARICH is optimized to 1-4 GeV (n ~ 1.05).
- If you need cover higher momentum range, you can reduce the refractive index of the aerogels.
 - Cherenkov angle gets smaller, so you need larger distance or better position resolution.
 - ✓ n ~ 1.005-1.01 is minimum;
 10 GeV looks the maximum.

0.35 n = 1.05π Cherenkov Angle (rad) 0.3 mrad Κ 0.25 0.2 n = 1.010.15 π 0.1 13 mrad 0.05 Κ 2 3 5 8 4 9 10 Momentum (GeV)

[Shown at the previous workshop]



Aerogel with Low Index



Aerogel developed at Chiba Univ. → "Aerogel Factory" (https://www.aerogel-factory.jp/)



[J.Phys.Conf.Ser. 2374 (2022) 1, 012114. doi:10.1088/1742-6596/2374/1/012114]

- Transmission length (transparency)
 (t) is important for ARICH.
- Aerogel for Belle II ARICH: n=1.045 & 1.055, t ~ 40 mm
- t rapidly drops for lower n at n<1.04.
- n=1.02 with t~40mm will be available with small development.
- n=1.01 with t~40mm is challenging, but maybe possible with more study.
- Aerogels with n=1.003, 1.007 are under development for threshold type detector (with lower t).

The performance at higher momentum depends on the configuration, but p<10 GeV is roughly the range that ARICH can cover.





TOP (Time Of Propagation)



A part of the material is provided by Kenji Inami (Nagoya) from Belle II TOP group.

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Measurement principle of TOP (Time of Propagation) Detector





Different Cherenkov angle
→ Different photon path
→ Different time of propagation.

- Measure the time of propagation of K and π : need ~ 50 ps timing resolution
- Measure the position of photons, too.
- Also works as a TOF (Time of Flight) detector for low momentum particles.
 - ✓ Combination of TOF and RICH with a single device







- Very flat quartz bar
- Photo-detector with good timing resolution.
- Focus Mirror
 - ✓ Parallel photons are focused: remove the uncertainty from the bar thickness.
 - \checkmark y actually differs with different θ_c (when wavelength is different).
 - \rightarrow Correction of chromatic dispersion (look at the relation of y and t)



 $\boldsymbol{\theta}_{c}(\boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \cos^{-1}$

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MCP-PMT



MCP (Micro Channel Plate) - PMT





- 4 × 4 channels
- NaKSbCs photo cathode; QE>24%
- TTS (Transit Time Spread)* < 40ps
 - * = Fluctuation of the signal timing for single photon input.
 - Hamamatsu MCP-PMT's,
 - 4×4 channels, 5.5 mm pixel size
 - 2 rows of 16 PMT's per module (512 pixels)
 - single photon sensitivity
 - excellent time resolution
 - works in magnetic field



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Photodetector with the best time resolution!



MCP-PMT



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Aging problem of MCP

- QE drops as a function of accumulated charge.
 - \checkmark The gas and ion from MCP damage the photo-cathode.
- ALD (Atomic Layer Deposition) and life-extended ALD type were developed during mass production.
- The MCP-PMT rate (~accumulate charge) is now limited to 3 MHz so that MCP-PMTs survive till the replacement.

Replacement work was done during.







MCP-PMT Replacement



- Replaced 224 MCP-PMTs by new life-extended ALD PMTs
 - ✓ Installed to upper half of TOP modules
- Relocate lower half by best ALD and conventional PMTs
- Exchanged/repaired frontend electronics → >99.5% active channels









- $\bullet\,$ waveform sampling with 2.7 Gs/sec
- custom designed ASIC with 11 $\mu \rm s$ long analog ring buffer for storing waveforms
 - \rightarrow running continuously
- 8 channels/ASIC
- 16 ASIC's/boardstack (=128 channels)
- digitization and feature extraction (50% CFD)
- data sent-out by optical link





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TOP Module



4 boardstacks per module



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2.14 GeV kaon (prism-facing)

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PID at TOP



- Extended likelihood method with analytically constructed PDF's to determine log likelihoods of e, μ, π, K, p, d
- PDF in a single channel described with a sum of Gaussian distr.
 - positions, widths and normalizations determined analytically according to particle impact position, angles, momentum and mass
- Method presented at RICH2010 (NIM A 639 (2011) 252-255)



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PID Performance





TOP works well, but still need improvement for better performance.

- bunch-finder
- PDF reconstruction by machine learning

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- New life-extended ALD PMTs are in production and will be replaced with remaining ALD PMTs in next long shutdown.
- Readout upgrade with higher speed and compact digitizer (new ASIC or RFSoC, Radio Frequency System on Chip)
- New photon detector option based on SiPM is in testing.
 - Need to check neutron radiation level at the detector and its tolerance of possible candidate (or new production).





- ARICH: a proximity focusing RICH detector with aerogel, in the forward endcap at Belle II.
- ARICH is running stably since 2019.
 - ✓ Simple detector.
- New photo-detectors will be a key development items for future use.
 - ✓ MPPC(SiPM): radiation ?
- For high momentum particles, aerogels with low refractive index needs to be study.
- TOP: time of propagation, in barrel region.
- State-of-the-art PID device.
 - ✓ Need more understanding
- Possible to extend to higher momentum region by putting the detector at the position with longer flight length,





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Backup

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Belle II Experiment





KEKB

- 3.5 GeV e⁺ + 8 GeV e⁻.
- Max. current 2.0A (e⁺), 1.4A (e⁻).
- Peak lum. 2.11 × 10³⁴ cm⁻² s⁻¹
- Total luminosity ~1040 fb⁻¹

Belle and Belle II experiment:

- KEK (High Energy Accelerator Research Organization) in Tsukuba, Japan.
- Accelerator: KEKB / SuperKEKB

✓ Linac + 3km ring

- ✓ Asymmetric e⁺-e⁻ collider
- KEKB + Belle : 1999-2010.
- SuperKEKB + Belle II : 2019-
- "B factory experiments" (produce large amount of B mesons).

SuperKEKB

- 4 GeV e⁺ + 7 GeV e⁻.
- Nano beam scheme.
- Target luminosity
 - ✓ Total 50 ab⁻¹



SuperKEKB, Belle II Operation



2016 Feb.-Jun. : Phase 1

- SuperKEKB commissioning without Belle II detector
 - Belle II installed in 2017. Apr.
 - ARICH installed in 2017 summer.

2018 Feb.-Jul. : Phase 2

- Belle II detector without inner vertex detectors
- First collision. Commissioning of SuperKEKB and Belle II, beam background study.
 - ARICH hardware modification + re-installation

2019 Mar.- : Phase 3

- Physics run with full Belle II detector.
- 6.5 fb⁻¹ accumulated in 2019 Mar.-Jul operation.
- Autumn run starts on Oct. 15.

2017/4/11



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ARICH Status









- 2017: ARICH installation to Belle II detector.
- 2018 Feb-Jun: Belle II commissioning without inner vertex detector (Phase 2).
- 2018 Sep-: ARICH hardware modification
- 2019-2022 Jun: Belle II operation with full detector (except PXD 2nd layer)
- 2022 Summer- 2023 : Long Shutdown1 LS1 (for PXD 2nd layer installation).
- 2023-: Resume operation.

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Aerogel Radiator





- $n_1 = 1.045$ and $n_2 = 1.055$
- Good transparency (~40mm)
- 248 tiles in total
 - ✓ Cut with water jet from 18cm × 18cm tile.



 Thicker aerogels produce more photons but make angle resolution worse.

- Two layers of aerogels with different indices.
 - \checkmark Ring images overlap at the photo-detector.



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- Rough performance can be obtained Cherenkov angle (σ_{θ}) and Number of photons per track (N_{p.e.})
- Distribution with Bhabha sample from the commissioning run (2018).
 - ✓ N_{p.e.} = 9.5 (10.4), σ_{θ} = 16.3 (14.7) mrad in data (MC)
 - ✓ corresponding to 4.3 σ K/ π separation at 4 GeV.

Cherenkov Angle distribution (Bhabha, 2018)



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data

(cosmic)

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HAPDs



Signal hits / channel / event



Status of HAPD operations in 2022

- 5 HAPDs (1.2%) are off due to a problem of LV cable to the front-end electronics.
 - ✓ Fixed in 2022 summer.
- 3% of channels suffer bias (or guard) problem inside APD.
 - ✓ Typically due to sudden increase of leakage current.
- 2% of channels suffer HV problem.
 - ✓ Probably outside of HAPDs.

Total 6% dead

The effect of dead channels to PID performance is very small.

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Radiation



• ARICH operation has been stable. No major problem happened in ARICH.

neutron irradiation test of HAPD



- ARICH is relatively tolerant to the beam background.
 - In general, large beam background is an issue to Belle II detector.
- One concern is the neutron radiation.
- Deterioration of HAPDs (increase of the leakage current, larger noise) due to silicon bulk damage by neutrons.
 - ✓ Tolerant to 10¹² neutrons / cm² @ 1MeV equiv., assumed for to 10 years' operation.
 - Sensor performance will be gradually degraded, with a very modest effect on the PID performance.
- Single event upset in the FPGAs electronics.



HAPD Leakage Current





- Leakage current of APD (bias) increases at ~ 10-30 nA / months.
- Estimated neutrons ~ (0.3-1) \times 10⁹ n / cm² / month; 6 \times 10⁹ n / cm² till now.
- Below the original expectation (10¹¹ n / cm² / year or 10¹² n / cm² in 10 years' operation)



SEU in the front-end



Another effect from neutrons is SEU (Single Event Upset) in the FPGAs



Frequent SEUs expected at Spartan 6.

- \checkmark Boron is used as p-type dopant.
- ✓ old estimation: 8 SEUs / h / HAPD in the firmware.
- Configuration consistency corrector (C³) is implemented in the merger firmware.

Real-time majority voting + partial reconfiguration of the firmware.

[R.Giordano et. al. IEEE Trans. Nucl. Sci. 68, no 12, 2810 (2021) arXiv:2010.16194]

- ~0.5 SEUs / FPGA per day are detected (and fixed).
- DAQ failures possibly due to SUEs happened a few time per month. Maybe an issue in future with higher luminosity (raidiation).



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Particle Identification



Particle Identification (PID) by ARICH is obtained from the comparison of the hit pattern and the expected PDF for different particle hypothesis.

$$\ln \mathcal{L}_{h} = -N_{h} + \sum_{\text{hit } i} [n_{h,i} + \ln (1 - e^{-n_{h,i}})]$$

h: particle hypothesis (e, μ , π , K, p,..) N_h : expected total number of hits

n_{h,i} : expected number of hits (probability) at pixel i

Likelihood ratio

$$R_{K/\pi} = \frac{\mathcal{L}_K}{\mathcal{L}_K + \mathcal{L}_\pi}$$
$$R_{\pi/K} = \frac{\mathcal{L}_\pi}{\mathcal{L}_K + \mathcal{L}_\pi} = 1 - R_{K/\pi}$$



Note: ARICH has only ON/OFF information in each channel (pixel).

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Future Upgrade



This table is only for the purpose to give a rough idea. The values depend on model numbers; some values are not confirmed.

	HAPD	MPPC (SiPM)	LAPPD
Pad / Position	4.9mm × 4.9mm	3.0mm × 3.0mm	1mm resolution
PDE	~20% (QE ~ 30%)	~40%	~15% (QE ~ 20%)
Gain	7 × 10 ⁴	6 × 10 ⁶	~107
Wavelength	200-600 nm	320-900 nm	(200-600 nm)
Dark Count	~0	~0.5 MHz	<150 Hz / s / cm ²
Operation voltage	-8kV HV + 350V bias	60V	3kV HV
Radiation damage	Tolerable at Belle II	Weak	(OK)

- MPPC (SiPM) has good performance, but radiation tolerance is an issue.
- LAPPD is still under development.



Future Upgrade



Radiation tolerance is an issue for MPPC

- Neutron irradiation test for MPPC is performed at J-PARC MLF in 2020.
- Single photon cannot be measured after 10¹⁰ n / cm² (@ 1 MeV equiv), while 10¹² are expected for 10 years operation at Belle II.
- Cooling is necessary (but not studied yet).

test of LAPPD just started





At this stage, we still don't have clear strategy for photon detector upgrade.

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