

B01 公募研究

K-ビームを用いた 軽いハイパー核の寿命測定

1. ハイパートライトン研究の現状
2. 我々の実験手法
3. テスト実験/初期データ取得の状況
4. 今後のプランとまとめ

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J-PARC E73/T77 collaboration

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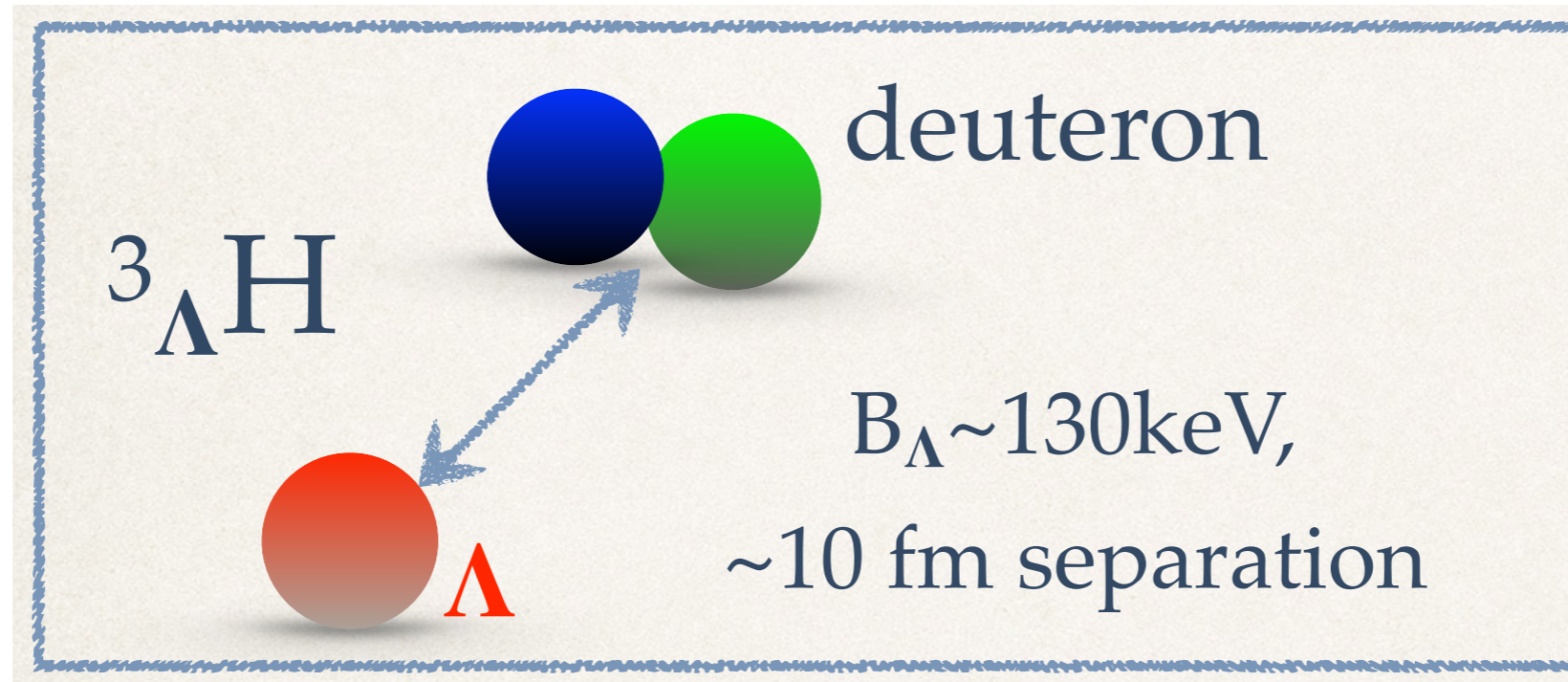
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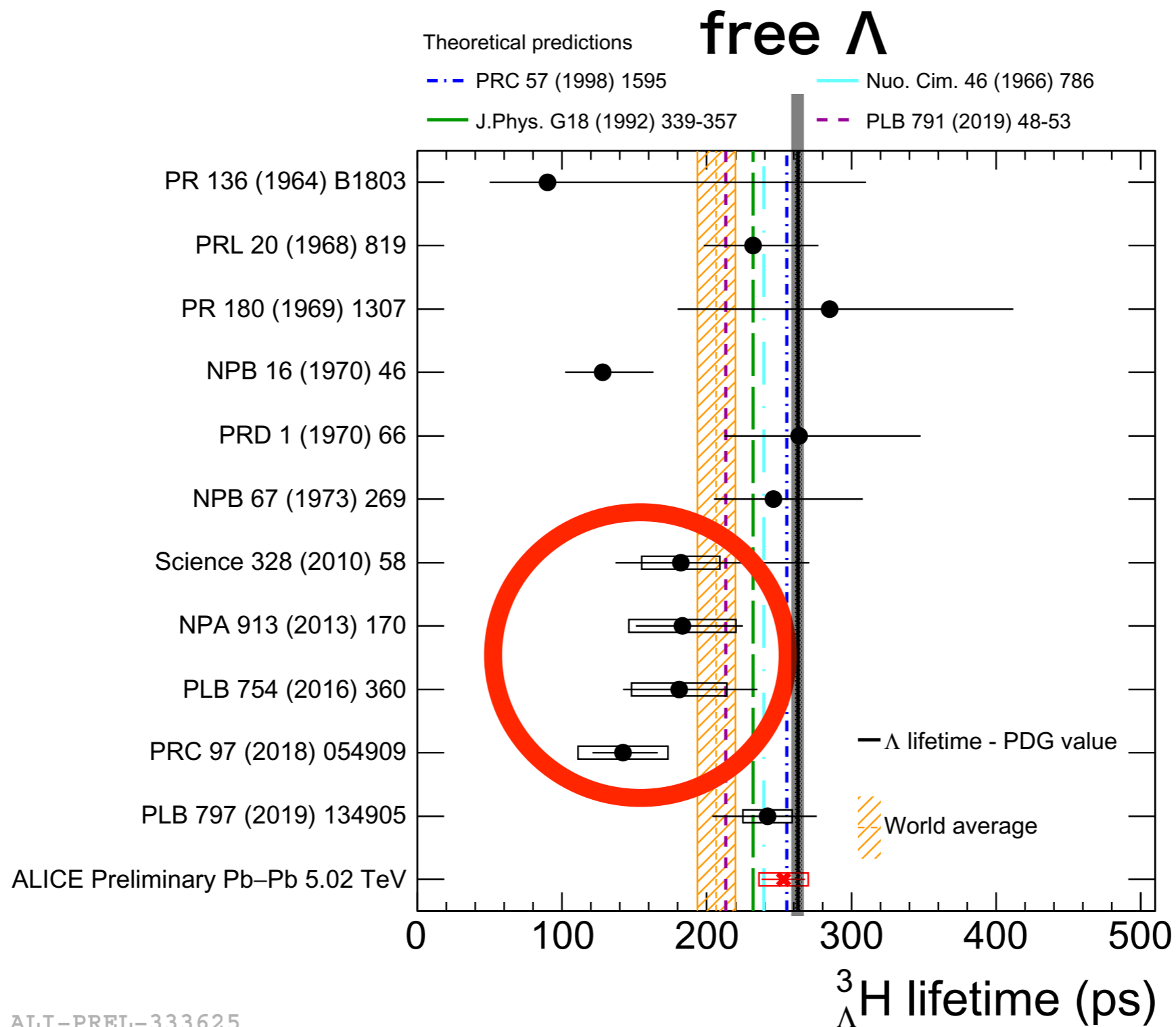
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Hypertriton



- Lightest hyper nucleus: bench mark for ΛN (ΛNN) interaction models.
- Important input to determine the ΛN spin-singlet strength
- Small binding energy by emulsion data was generally accepted.
- Small B_{Λ} \rightarrow large spacing between Λ & d
 \rightarrow lifetime should be \sim free Λ (263 ps)
 - for example 256 ps by H. Kamada, et al, Phys. Rev. C Nucl. Phys. **57**, 1595 (1998).
- Spin 1/2 determined by the two-body decay ratio R_3 (G. Keyes et al., NPB67, 269, 1973).

Hypertriton lifetime puzzle

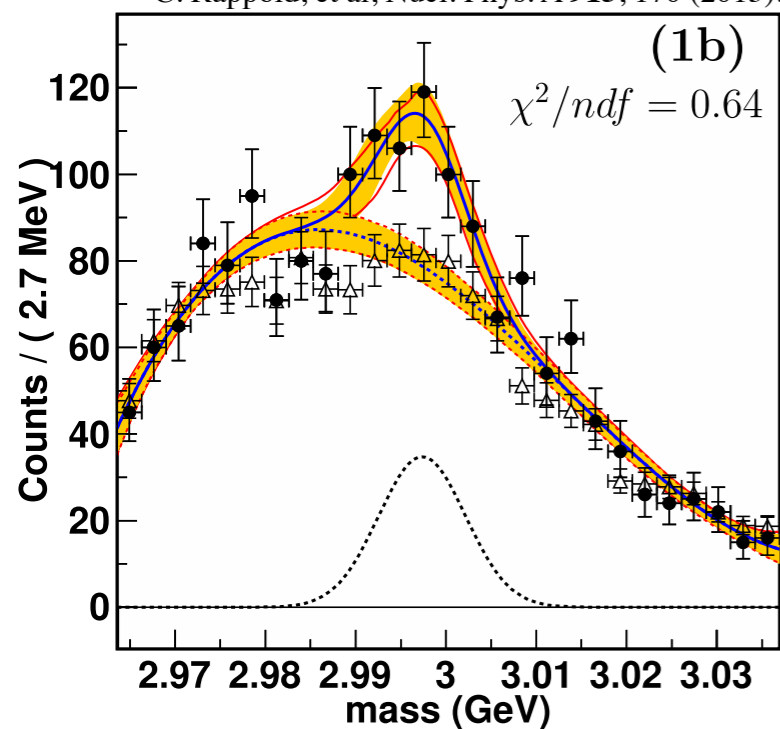


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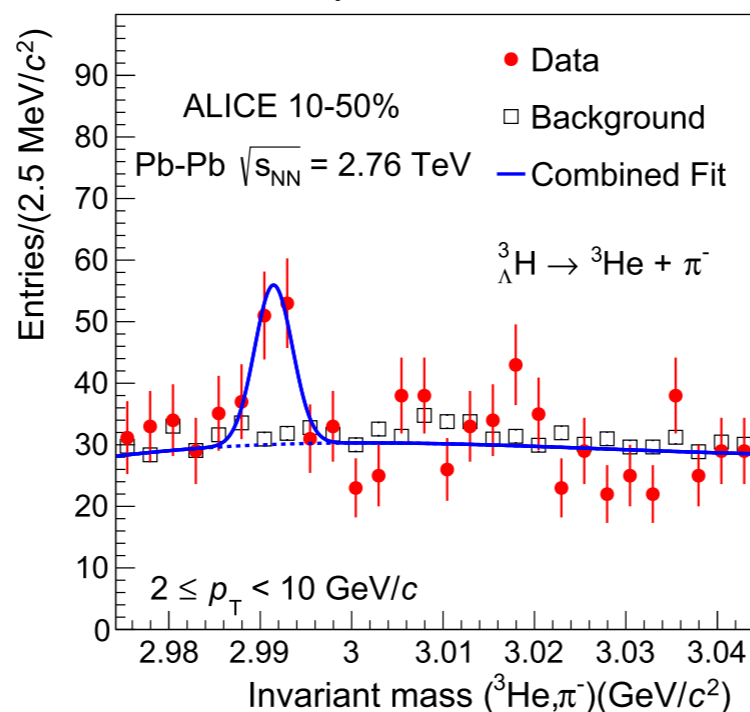
- Short lifetimes from HI experiments in 2010's

Hypertriton lifetime puzzle

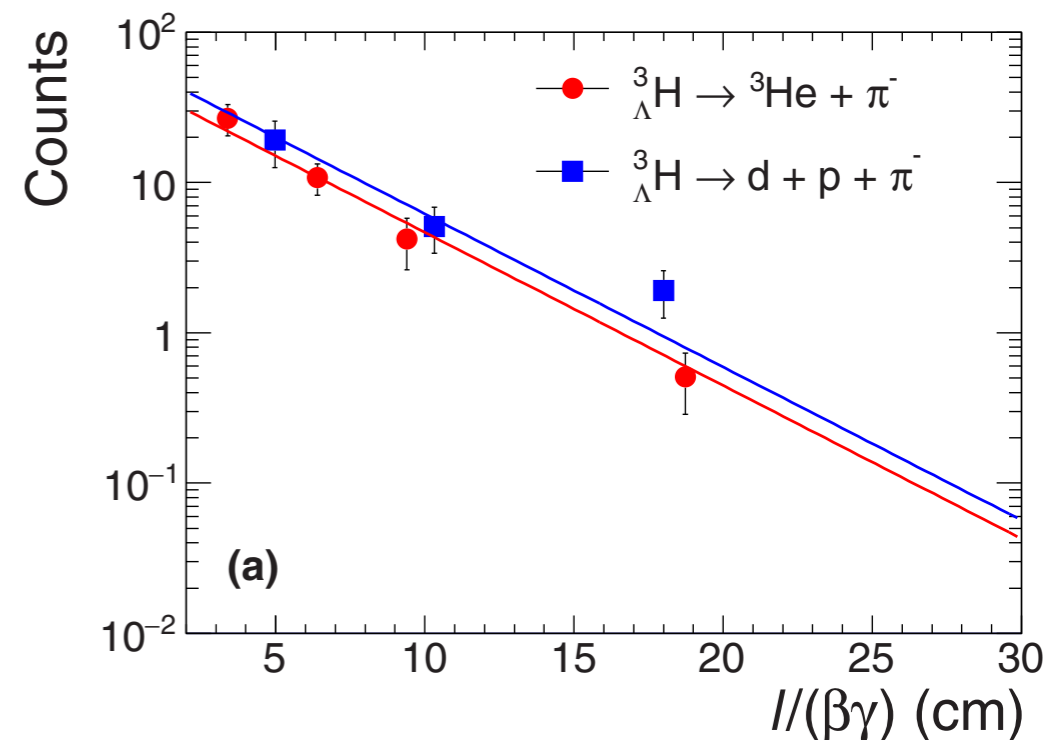
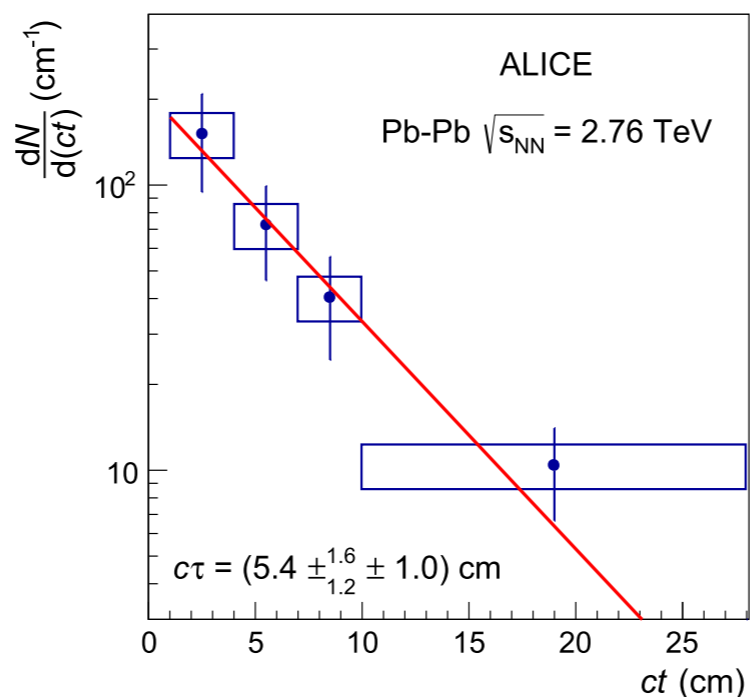
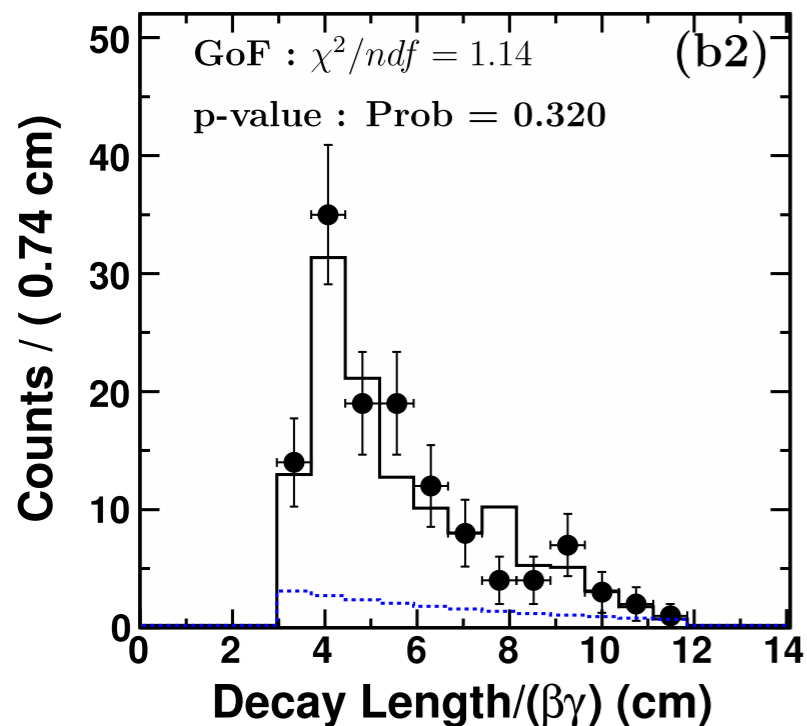
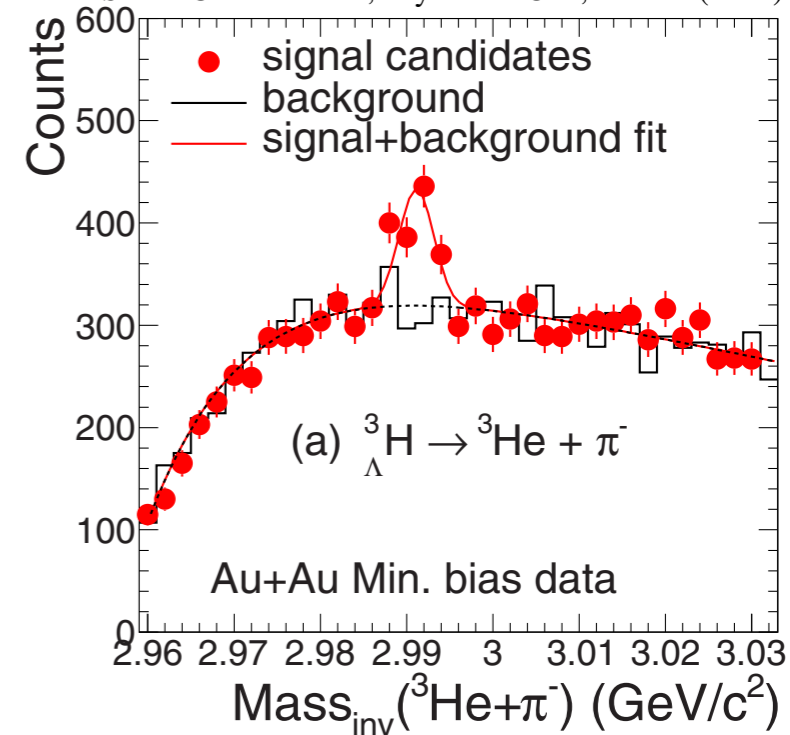
C. Rappold, et al, Nucl. Phys. A **913**, 170 (2013).



ALICE, Phys. Lett. B **754**, 360 (2016).



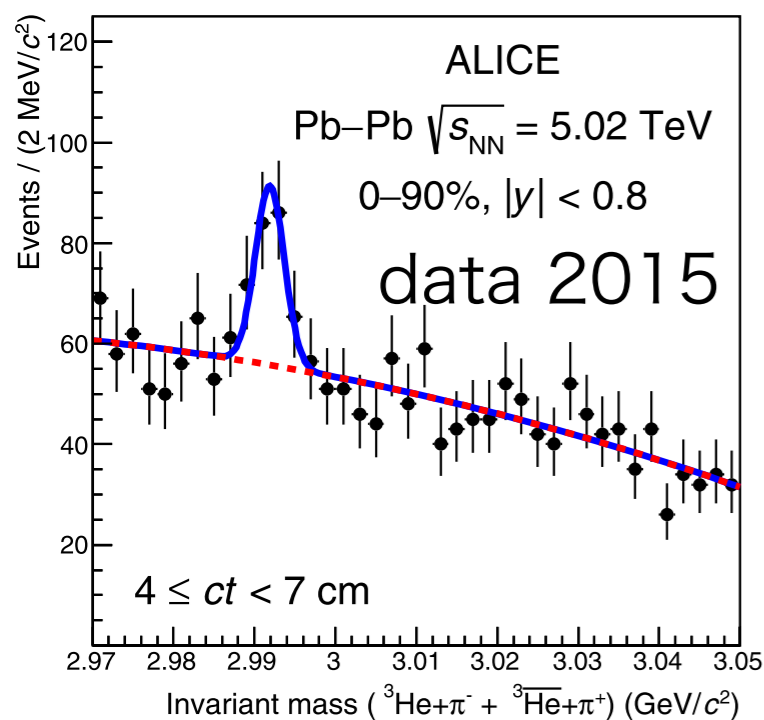
STAR Collaboration, Phys. Rev. C **97**, 054909 (2018).



- Data quality is not good. limited counts, bad S/N
- Indirect measurement using decay length.

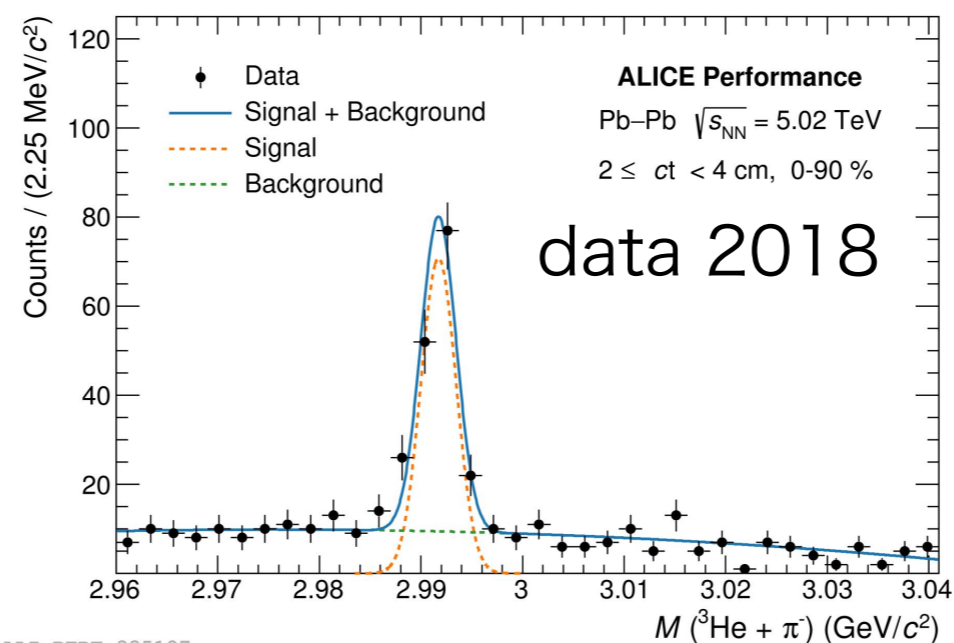
Recent progress in experiment

ALICE, Phys. Lett. B **797**, 134905 (2019).



E. Bartsch, et al., Nucl. Phys. A **1005**, 121791 (2021).

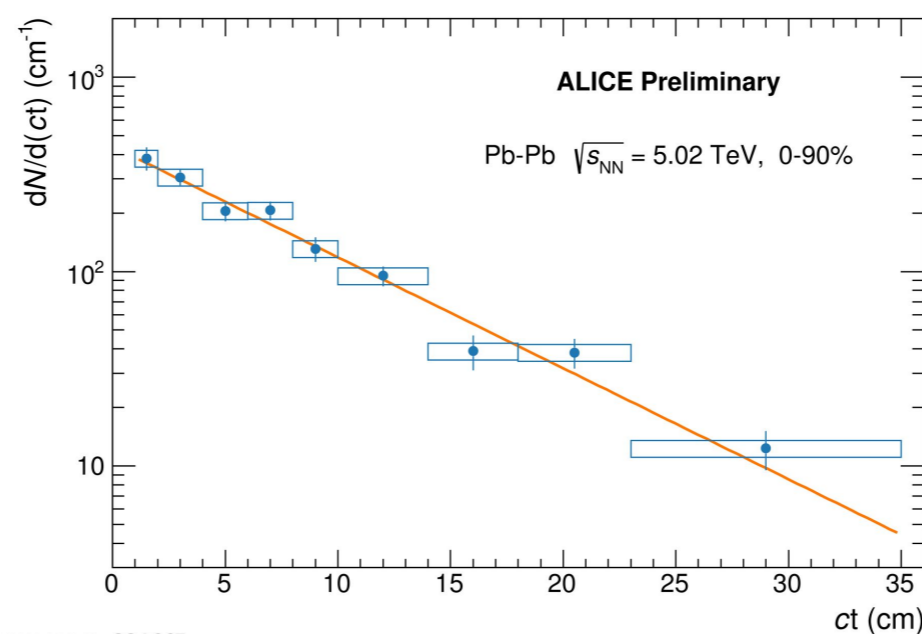
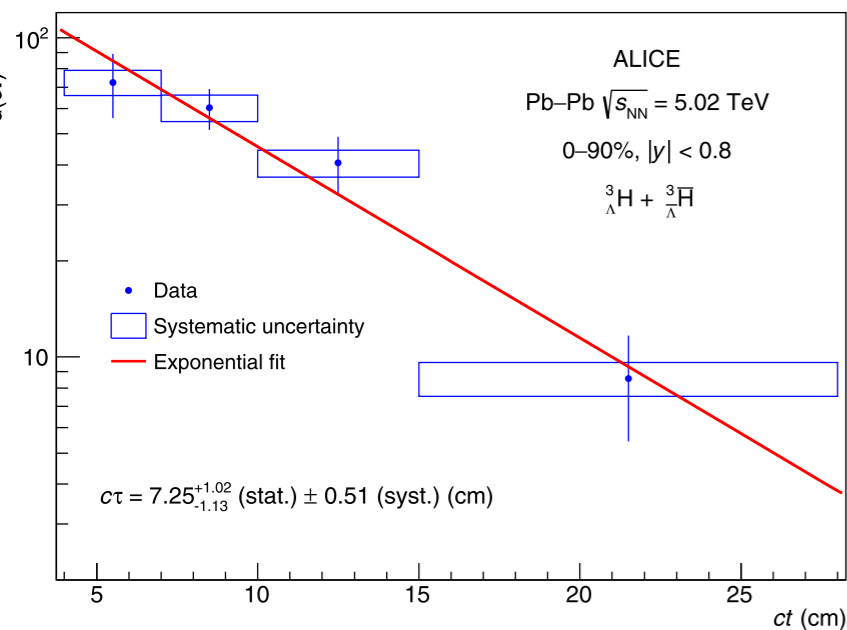
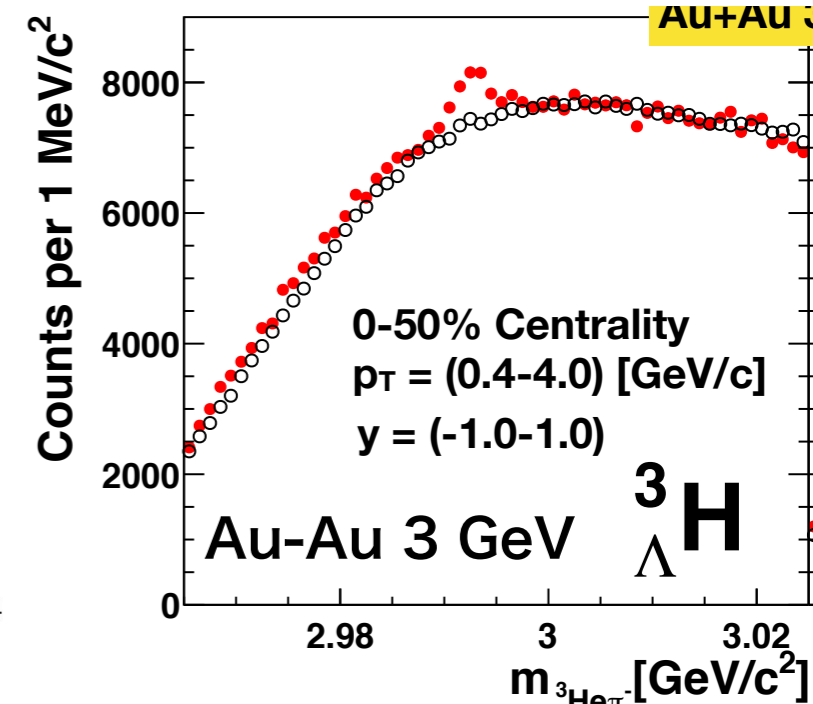
Francesco Mazzaschi, THEIA-STRONG 2020



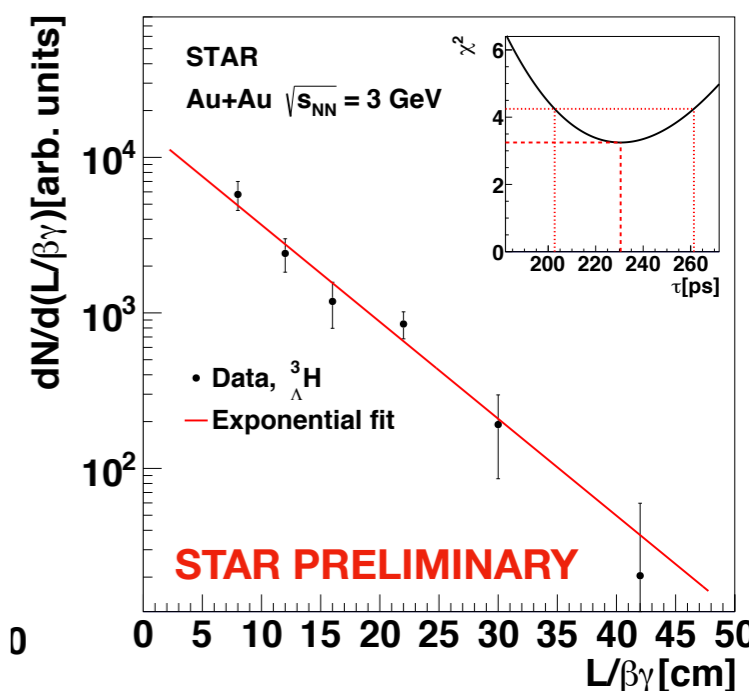
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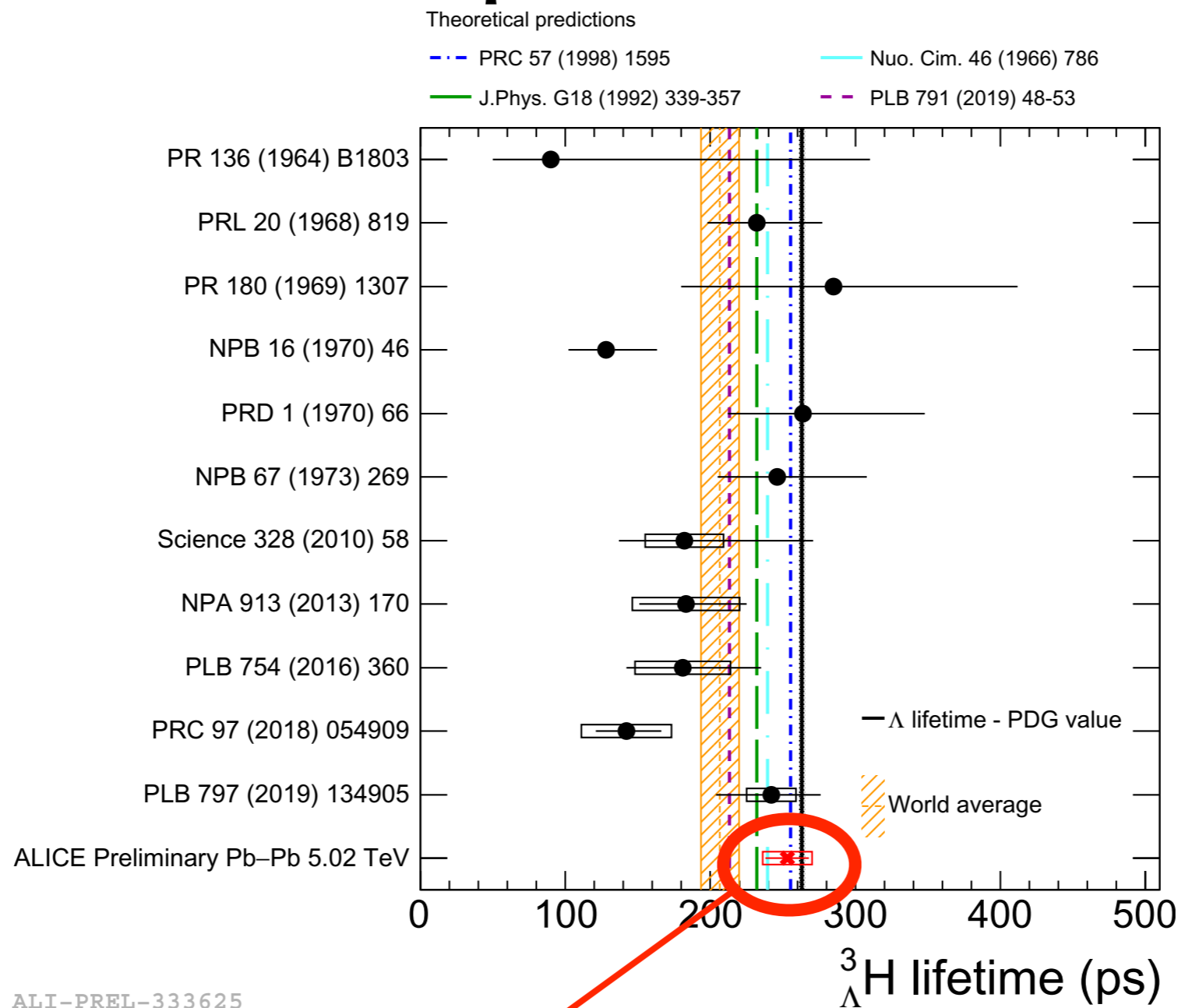


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- More signals, better S/N (ALICE with ML), ...

Is there still puzzle?



Lifetime value from the fit

- 254 ± 15 (stat.) ± 17 (syst.) ps

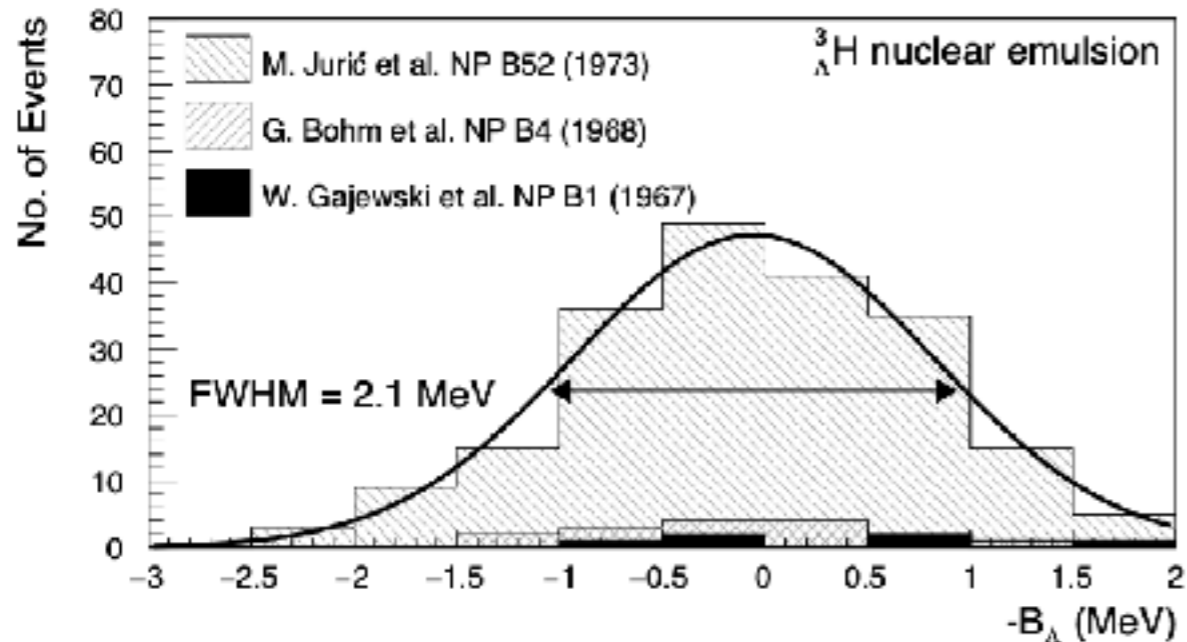
$${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H} : \tau = 232.1 \pm 29.2(\text{stat}) \pm 36.7(\text{syst})[\text{ps}]$$

$${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H} : \tau = 218.3 \pm 7.5(\text{stat}) \pm 11.8(\text{syst})[\text{ps}]$$

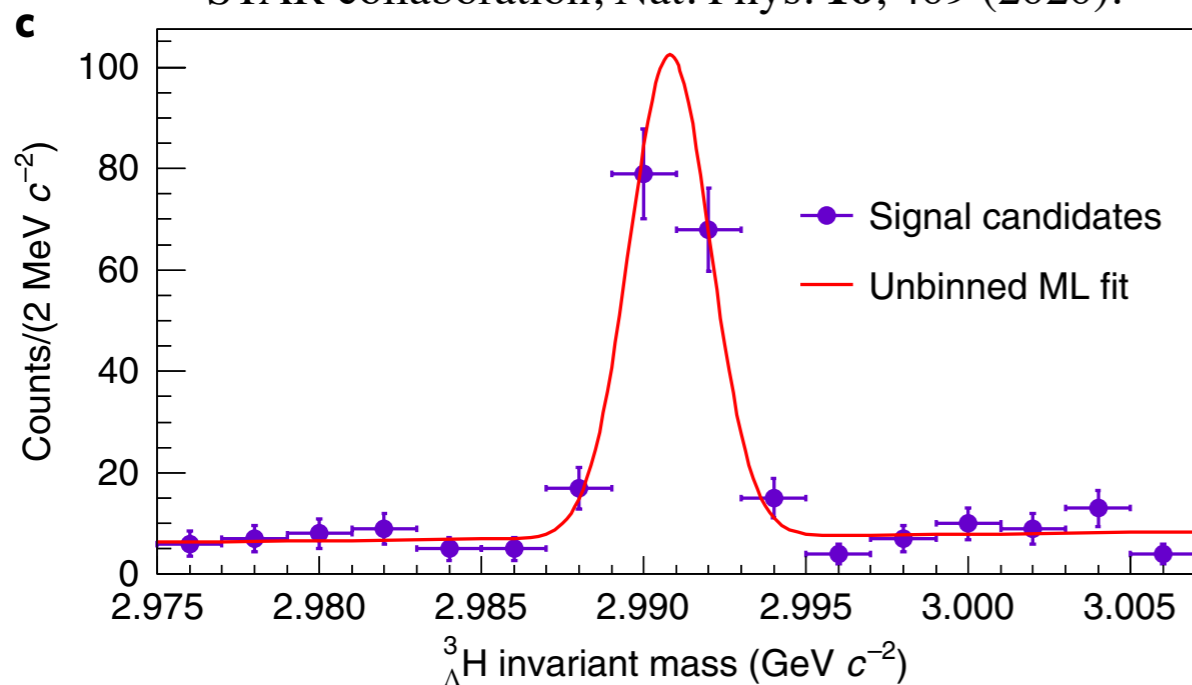
STAR Au+Au 3 GeV

Binding energy

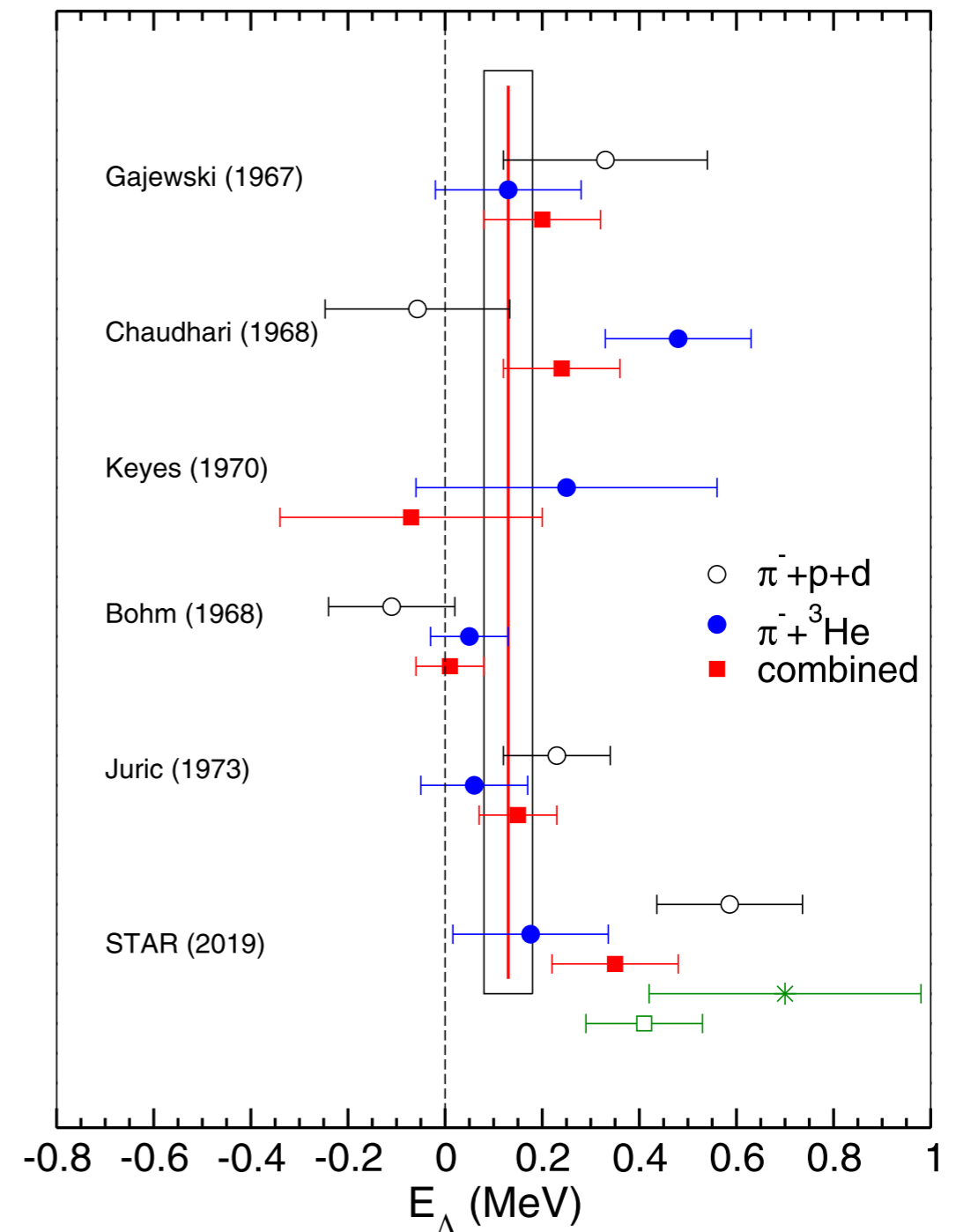
P. Achenbach, *et al*, *PoS(Hadron2017)207*.



STAR collaboration, *Nat. Phys.* **16**, 409 (2020).



H. Le, J. Haidenbauer, *et al*, *Phys. Lett. B* **801**, 135189 (2020).



- STAR 0.41(12)(11) MeV > Emulsion 0.13(5) MeV
- Need high precision data

(Part of) Recent progress in theory

- Pion FSI enhance the decay rate 10~20%
A. Gal, et al, Phys. Lett. B **791**, 48 (2019).
- Σ admixtures reduce the decay rate ~10%
Strong dependence on B_Λ
A. Pérez-Obiol, et al, Phys. Lett. B **811**, 135916 (2020).
- Branching ratio depends on B_Λ
F. Hildenbrand et al., Phys. Rev. C **102**, 064002 (2020).
- etc...

A. Pérez-Obiol, et al, Phys. Lett. B **811**, 135916 (2020).

Λ_{UV} (MeV)	B_Λ (keV)	$\Gamma_{\Lambda \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} + \pi^-}$ (GHz)	$\tau({}^3_\Lambda\text{H})$ (ps)
800	69	0.975	234 ± 27
900	135	1.197	190 ± 22
1000	159	1.265	180 ± 21
—	410	1.403	163 ± 18

F. Hildenbrand, et al., Phys. Rev. C **102**, 064002 (2020).

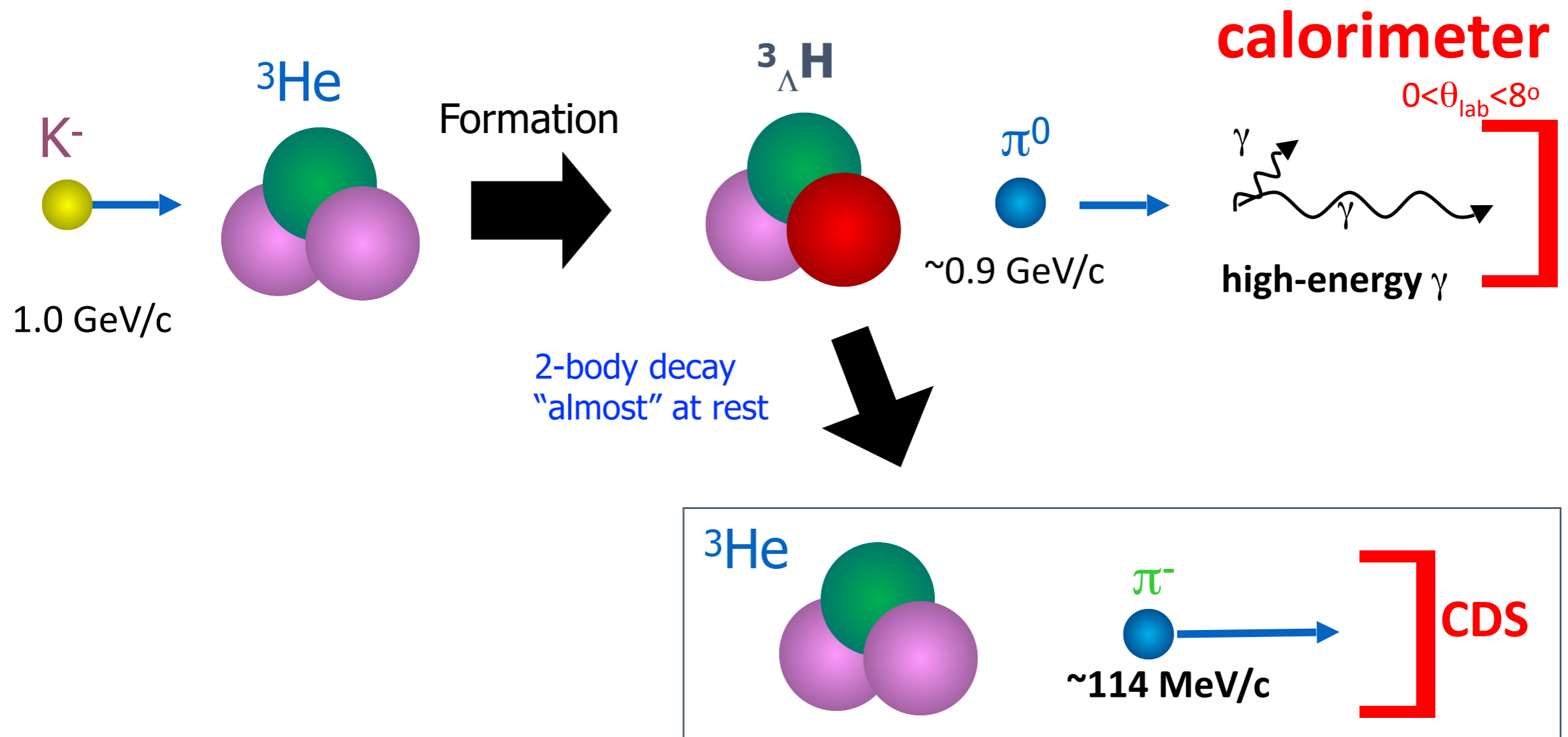
Observable	$B_\Lambda = 0.13$ MeV		$B_\Lambda = 0.41$ MeV	
	α_-	α_+	α_-	α_+
$(\Gamma_{pd} + \Gamma_{nd}) / \Gamma_\Lambda$	0.642	0.732	0.642	0.732
$(\Gamma_{{}^3\text{He}} + \Gamma_{{}^3\text{H}}) / \Gamma_\Lambda$	0.612	0.612	0.415	0.416
$\Gamma_{{}^3\text{H}} / \Gamma_\Lambda$	0.382	0.363	0.569	0.541
$\Gamma_{{}^3\text{He}} / \Gamma_\Lambda$	0.992	0.975	0.984	0.956
$\Gamma_{{}^3\text{He}} / (\Gamma_{{}^3\text{He}} + \Gamma_{pd})$	0.384	0.373	0.578	0.566
$\tau_{{}^3\text{H}}[\text{ps}]$	264.7	269.8	267.6	275.0

Planned experiments

- Heavy ion collision
 - ALICE Run 3(2021~2024), Run 4 (2027~2030)
 - ~50 times yield expected
 - GSI (2022?)
 - FRS+WASA
- Binding energy measurement
 - MAMI (e, e'K) decay pion spectroscopy
 - JLab (e, e'K) C12-19-002
 - J-PARC E07: Emulsion full scan
- Counter experiments for lifetime
 - ELPH: (γ , K⁺)
 - J-PARC P74: (π^- , K⁰) at K1.1
 - **J-PARC E73: (K⁻, π^0) at K1.8BR**

Our approach

Hypertriton寿命測定(J-PARC E73/T77)



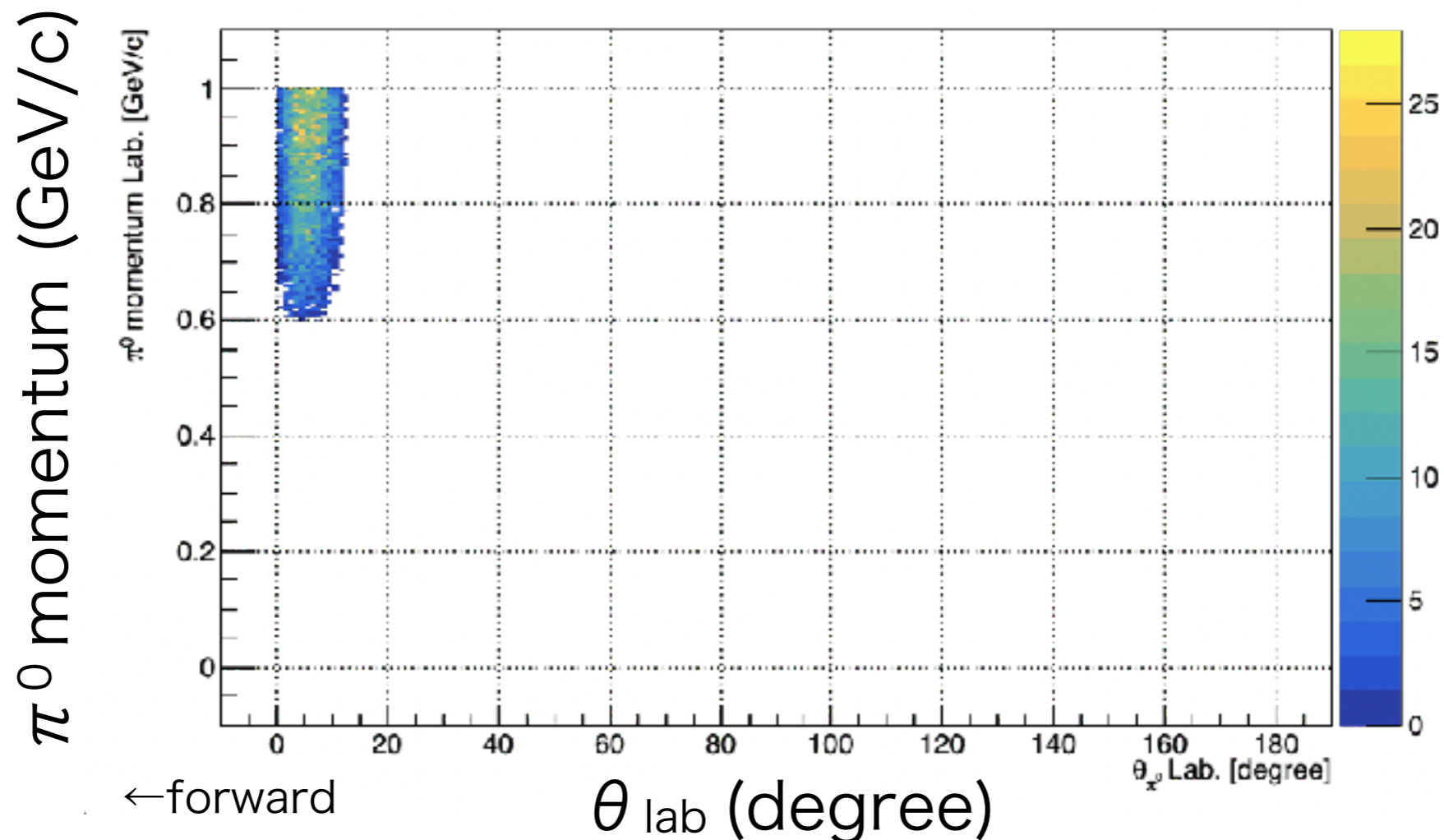
- detect forward high-energy gamma to tag (K^- , π^0) reactions
- ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ measurement as feasibility demonstration (T77)

Forward gamma tag

Simulation

Generate: π^0 uniformly 0~1 GeV/c, 0~180 deg

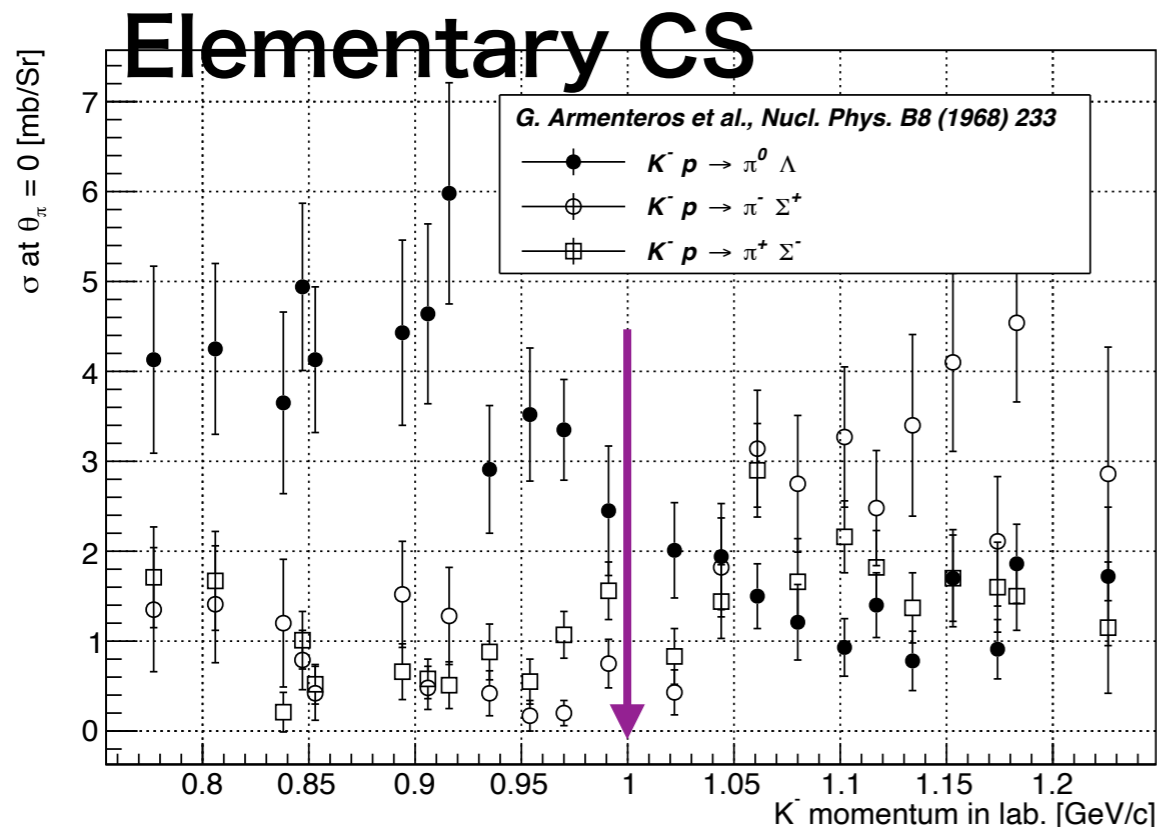
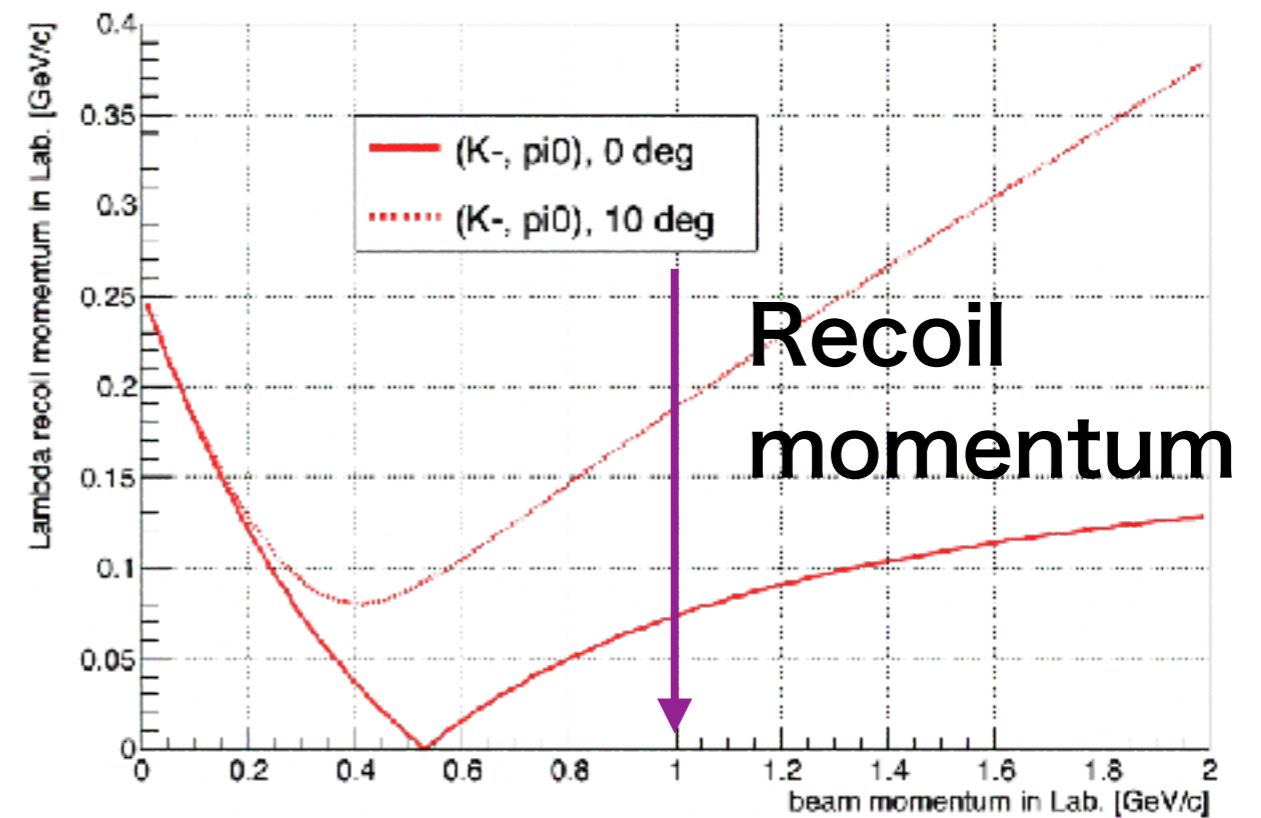
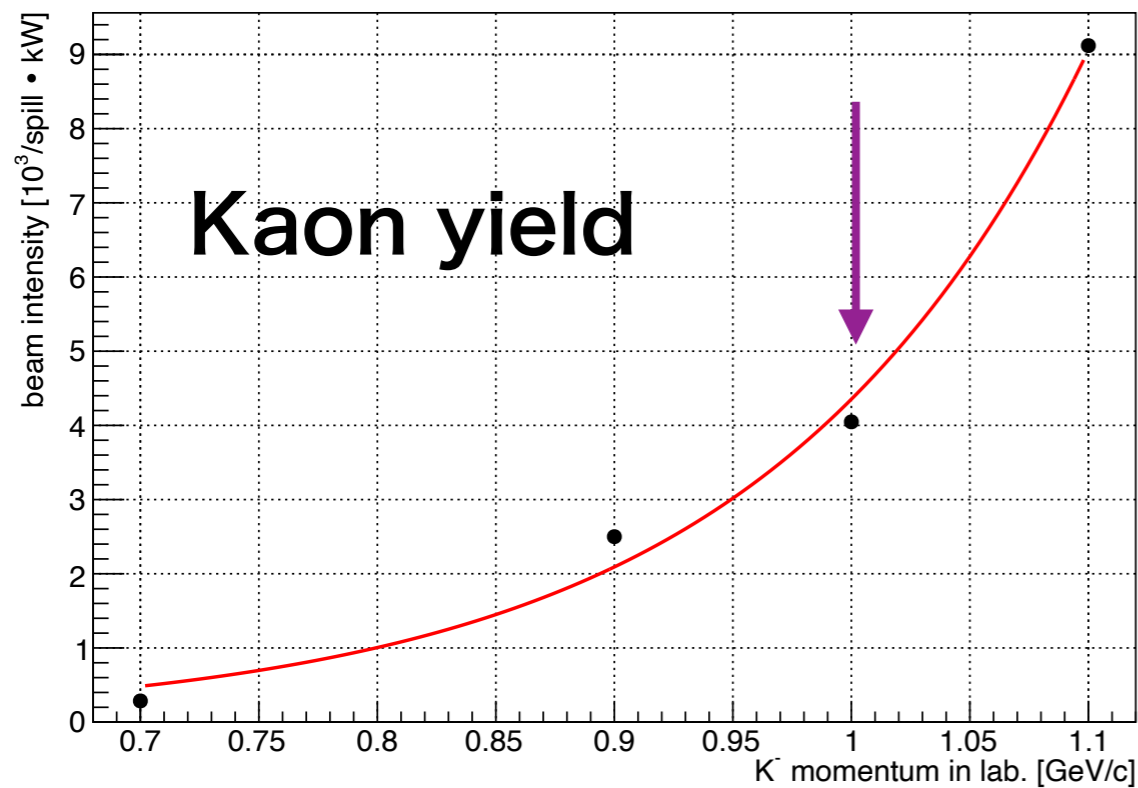
Accept: >0.6 GeV/c gamma in the calorimeter



- forward high-energy π^0 can be selected by detecting 1 gamma
- low-energy π^0 from hyperon decays can be removed.

Momentum selection

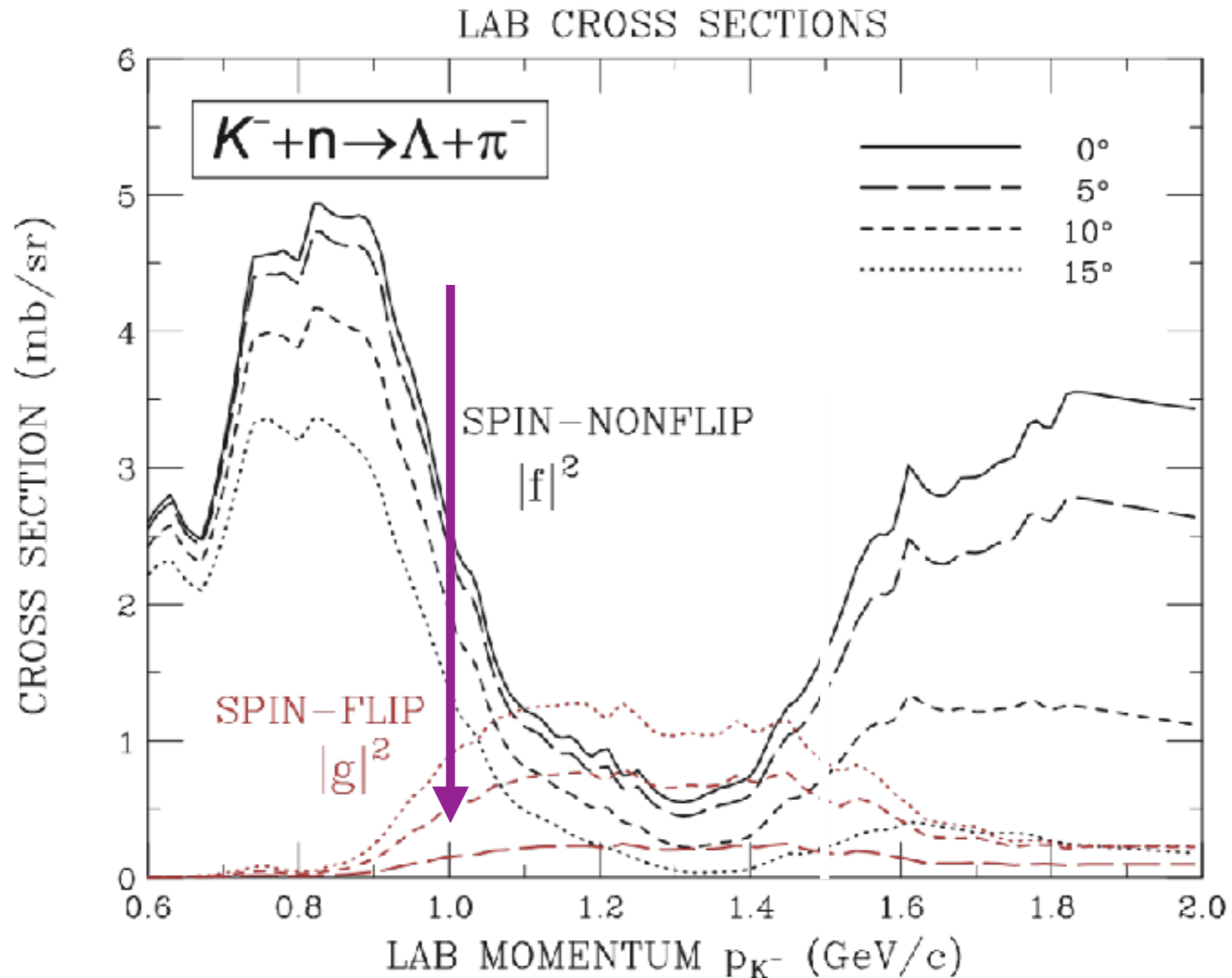
Lambda recoil momentum vs meson scattering angle



At higher momentum

- Slight increase of recoil momentum
- Higher kaon yield
- Lower elementary CS
- 1.0 GeV/c (or 0.9 GeV/c)

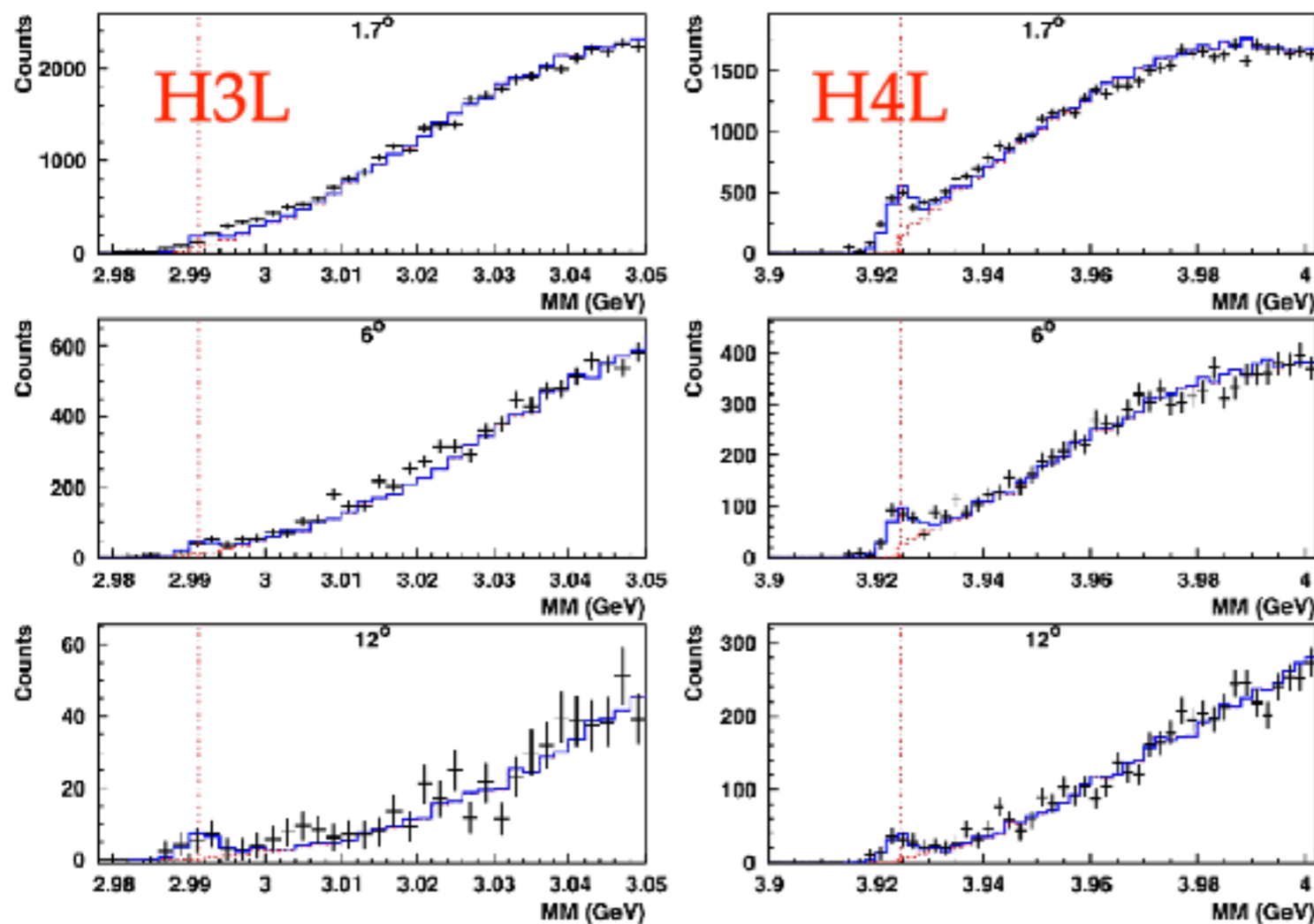
Spin non-flip nature of the reaction



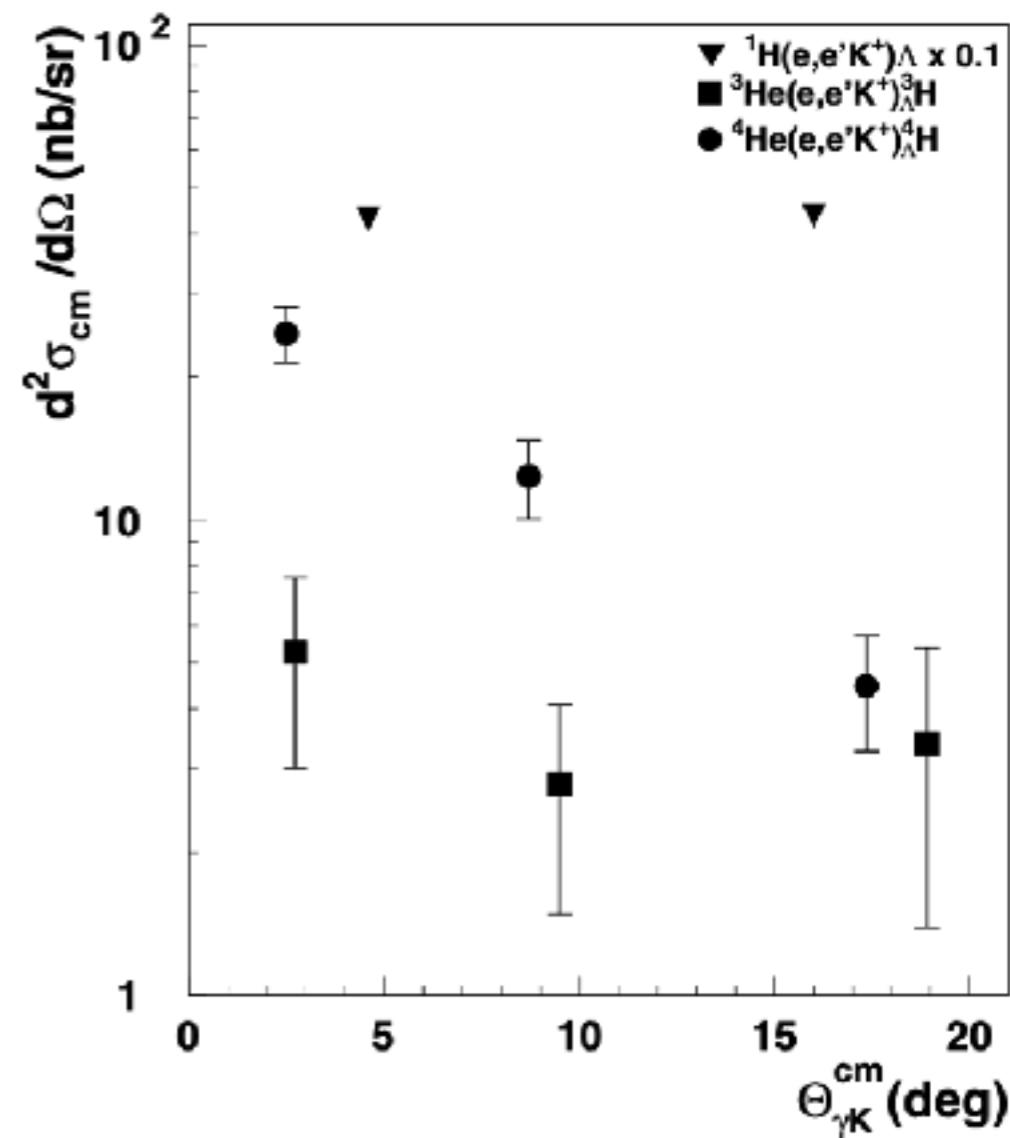
- Spin-nonflip reaction is dominant at 1.0 GeV/c or lower
- Selectively produce ground states $^4\Lambda\text{H}(0^+)$, $^3\Lambda\text{H}(1/2^+)$

Cross section ratio $R = \sigma_{\text{lab}}({}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}) / \sigma_{\text{lab}}({}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H})$.

(e, e'K+) reaction @ J-Lab



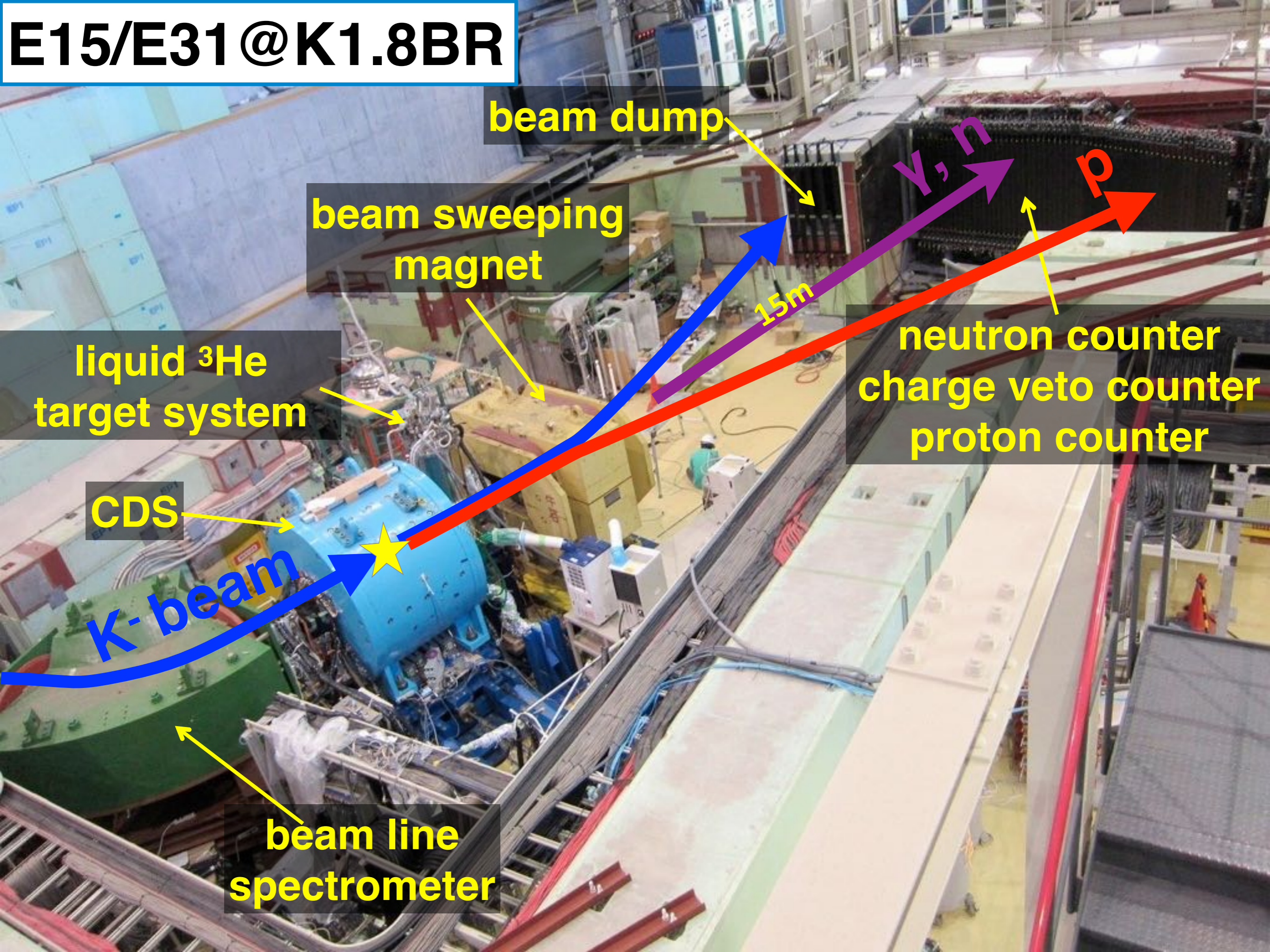
DOI: 10.1103/PhysRevLett.93.242501



- Harada-san predict T. Harada and Y. Hirabayashi, <http://arxiv.org/abs/2106.04256>.
 - $R=0.3\sim 0.4$ for $B_{\Lambda}=0.13$, $R = 0.65$ for $B_{\Lambda}=0.41$
- Hint for $3/2+$ state combining J-Lab data (spin-flip favored)

Experiment

E15/E31 @ K1.8BR



beam dump

beam sweeping magnet

liquid ^3He target system

CDS

K-beam

beam line spectrometer

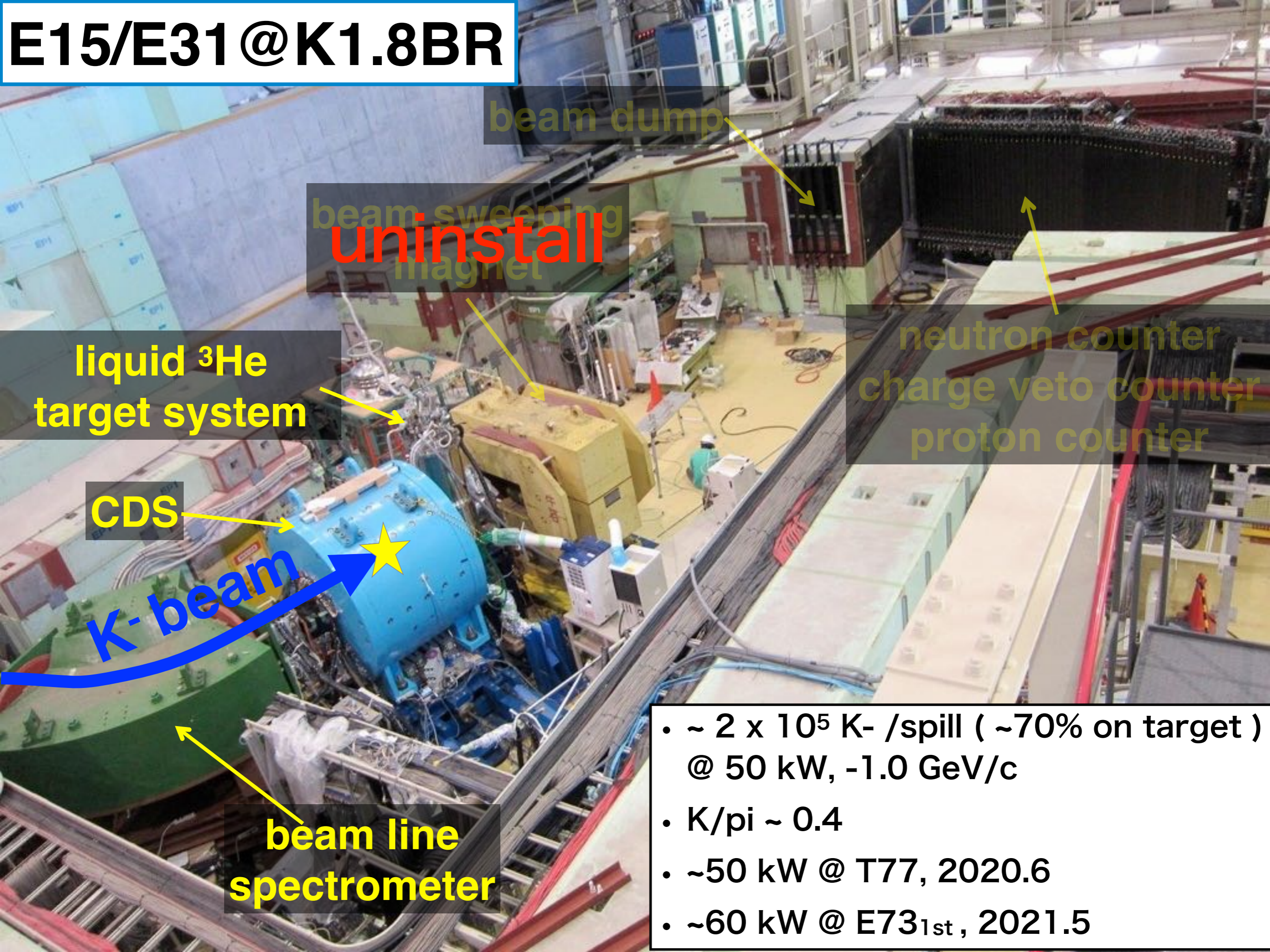
15m

neutron counter
charge veto counter
proton counter

γ, n

p

E15/E31 @ K1.8BR



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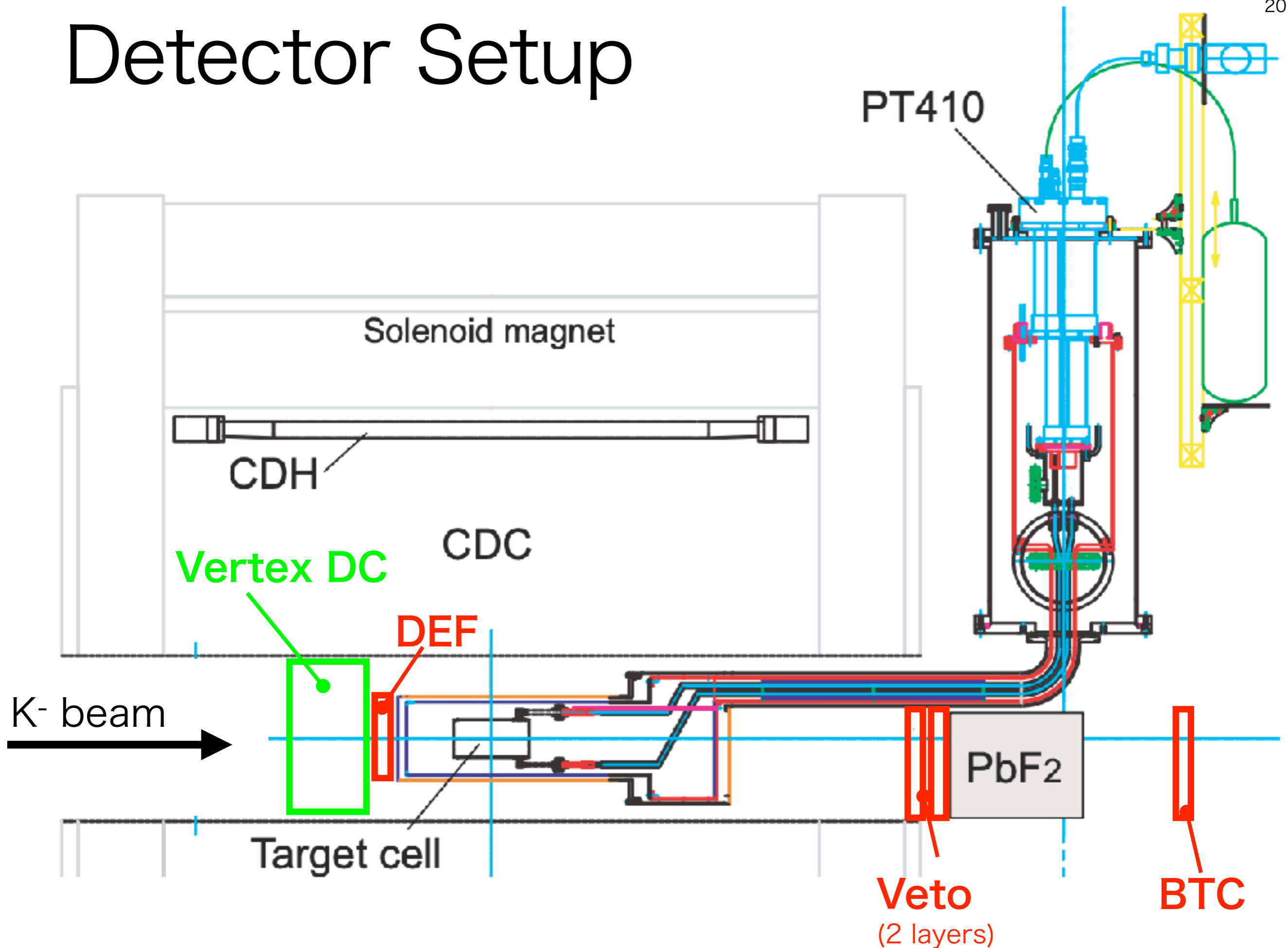
beam dump

beam sweeping
magnet
uninstall

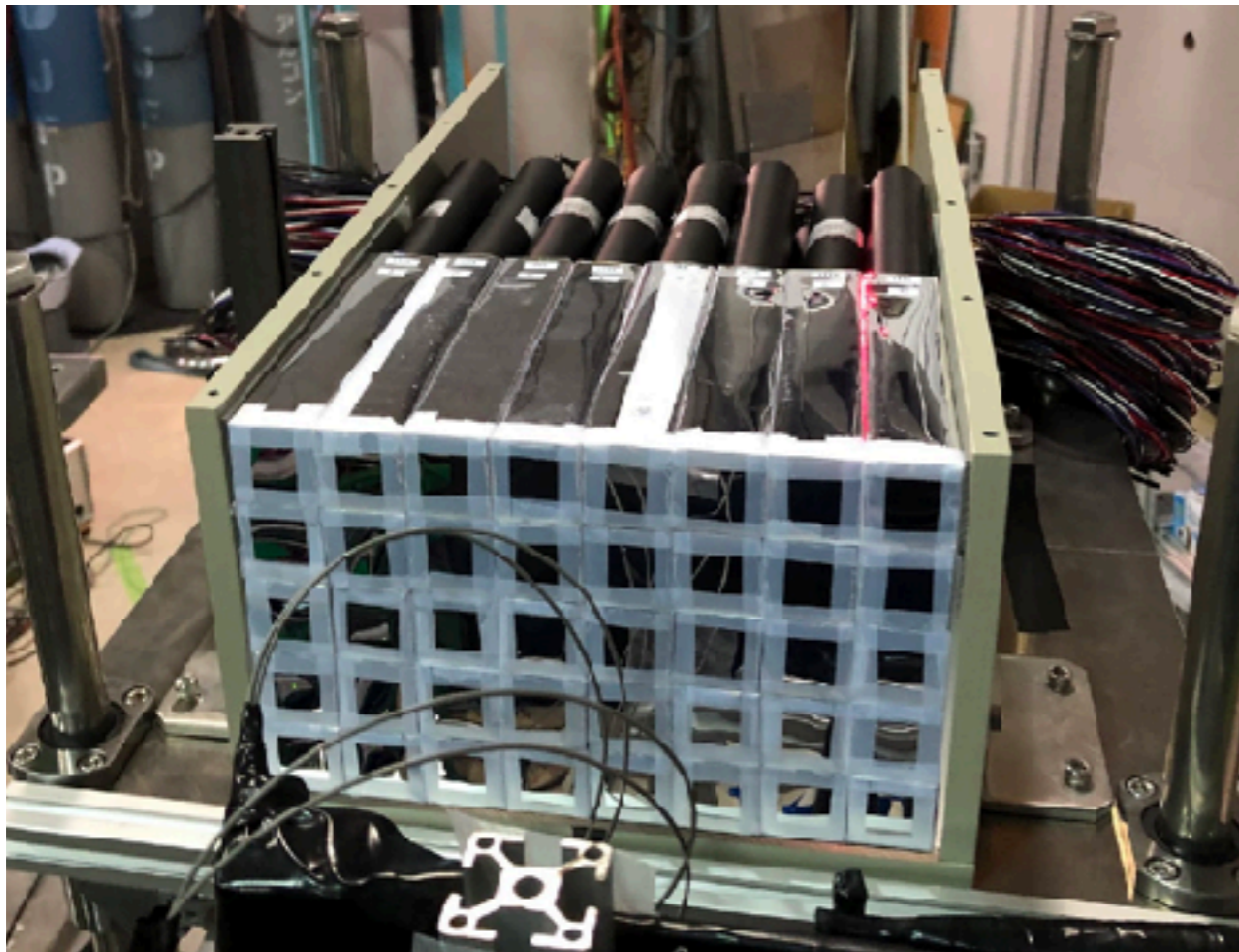
neutron counter
charge veto counter
proton counter

- $\sim 2 \times 10^5$ K- /spill ($\sim 70\%$ on target)
@ 50 kW, -1.0 GeV/c
- K/pi ~ 0.4
- ~ 50 kW @ T77, 2020.6
- ~ 60 kW @ E73_{1st}, 2021.5

Detector Setup



PbF₂ calorimeter



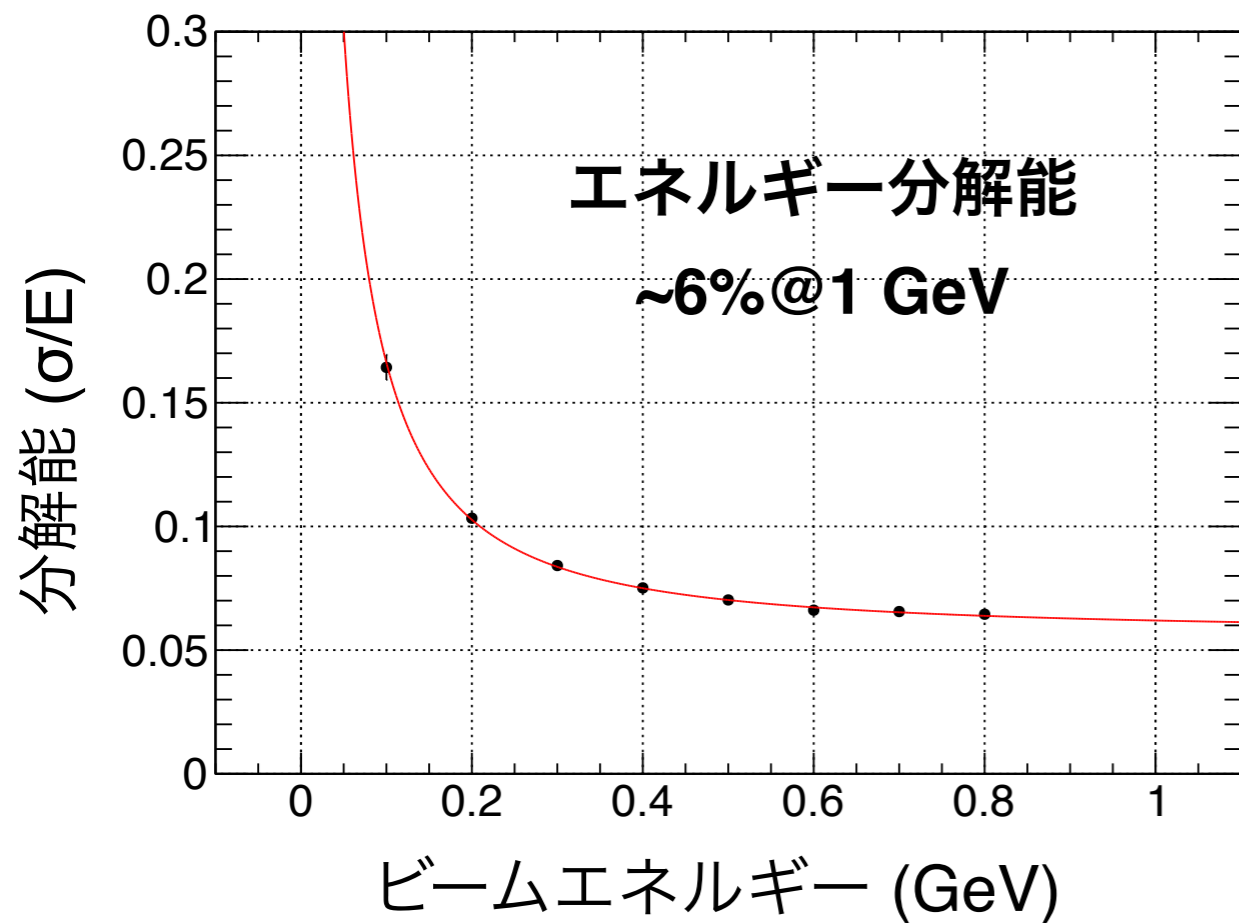
- PbF₂ EM calorimeter
 - Cherenkov-type
 - Radiation hard
 - 25 x 25 x 140 mm
 - 40 segment
 - 1/4" PMT
 - Fe magnetic shield

Crystal	Radiation length	Moliere radius	Density	Cost	Resolution	Signal length
PbF ₂	0.93 cm	2.22 cm	7.77 g/cm ³	12 USD/cc	5%	2ns

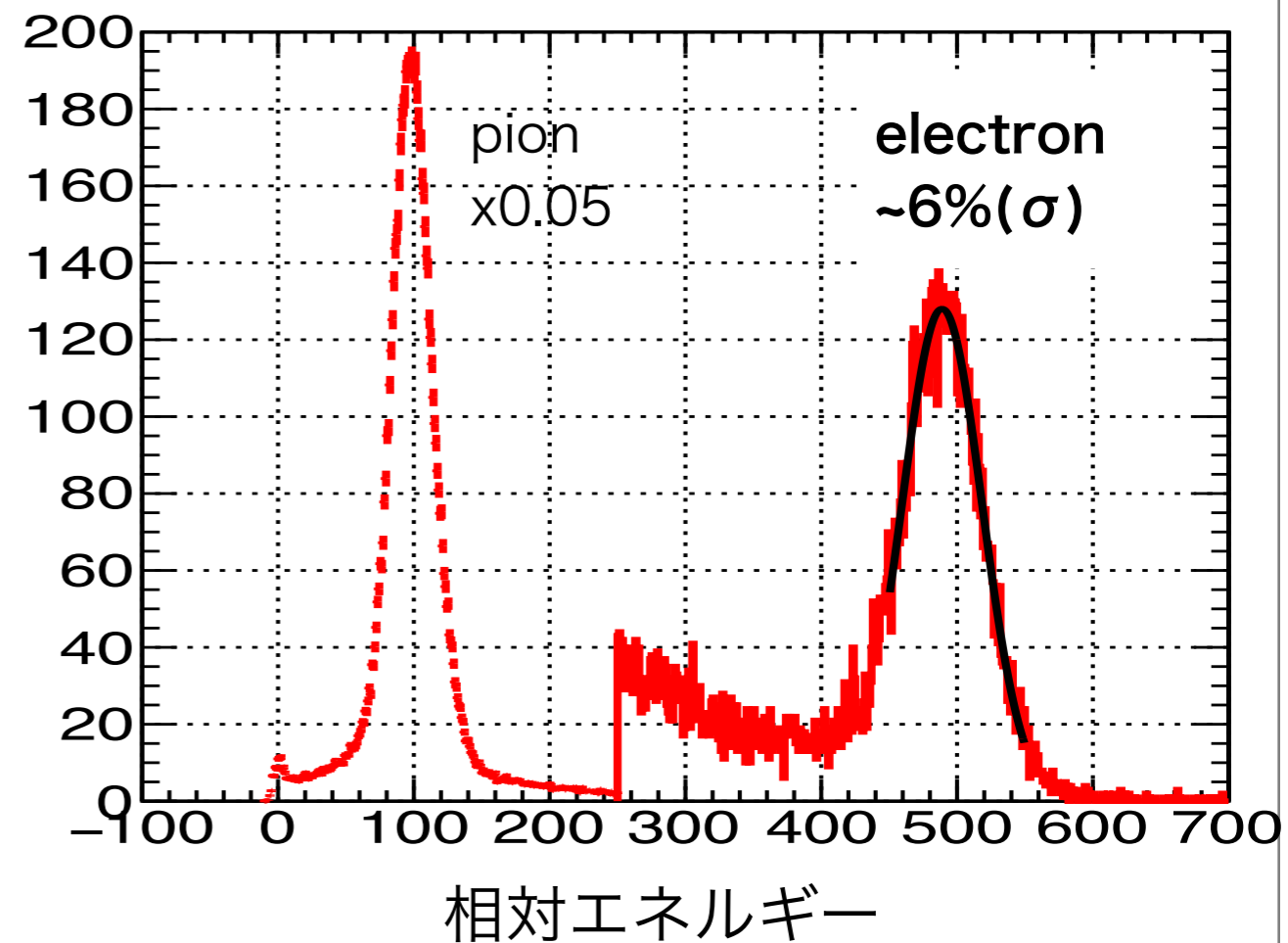
D.F. Anderson, *et al.*, Nucl. Inst. Meth. A290 (1990) 385
 P. Achenbach, *et al.*, Nucl. Inst. Meth. A416 (1998) 357

PbF2 calorimeter performance

2019.12: Test experiment @ ELPH
using 100~800 MeV e+ beam



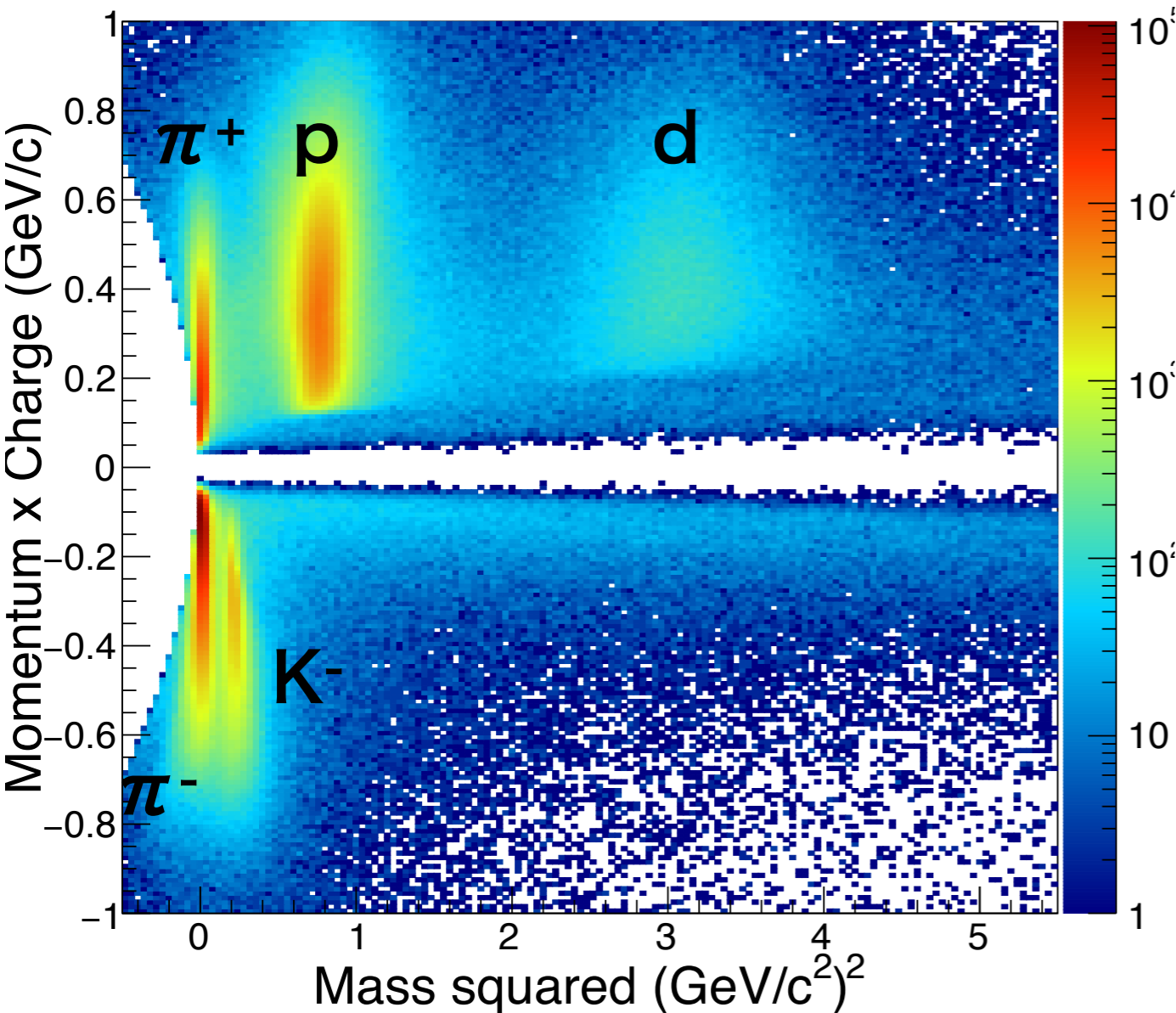
Response to 1 GeV/c π^-/e^- @ J-PARC



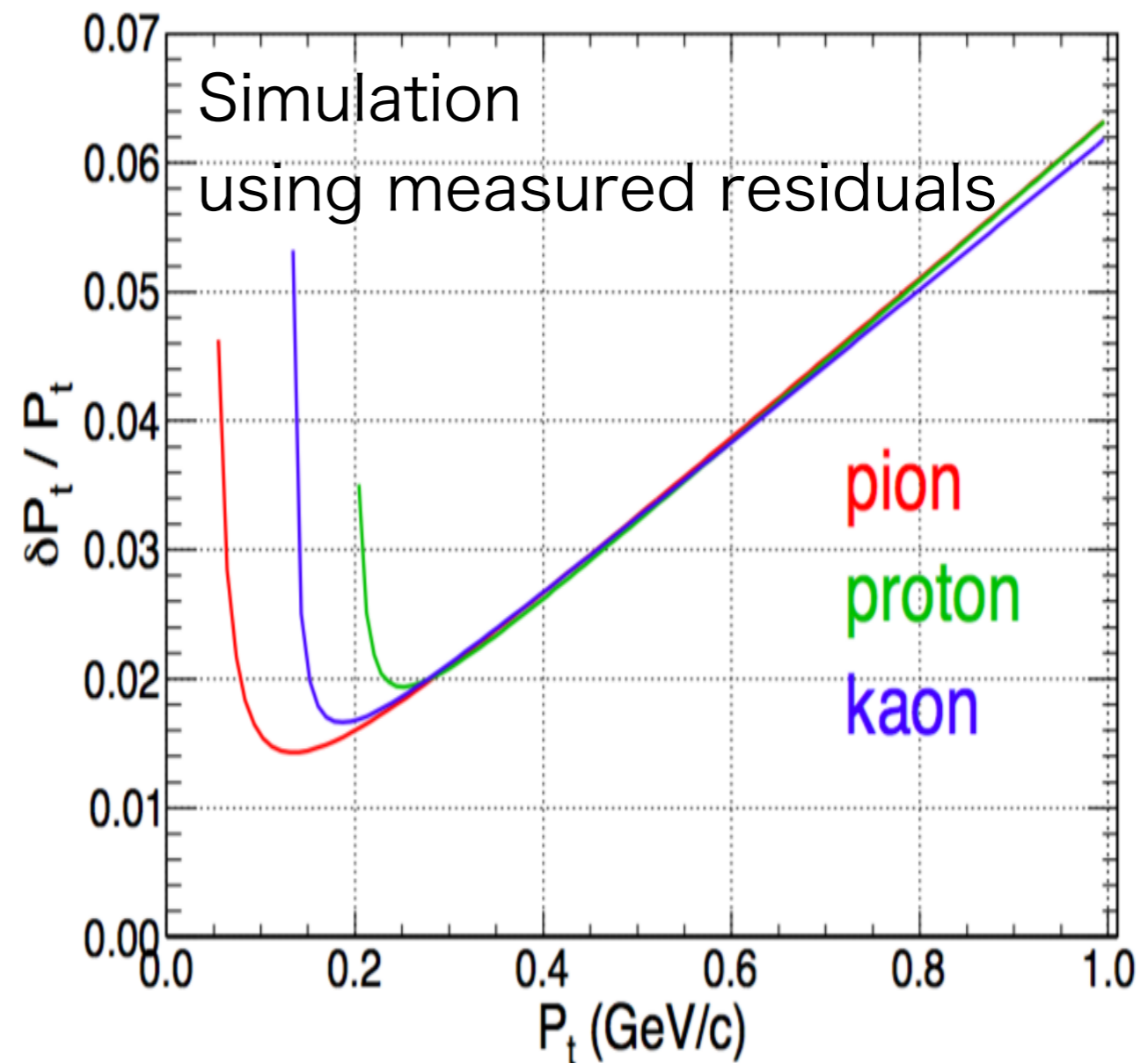
- good enough performance to tag high-energy gamma

Cylindrical detector system

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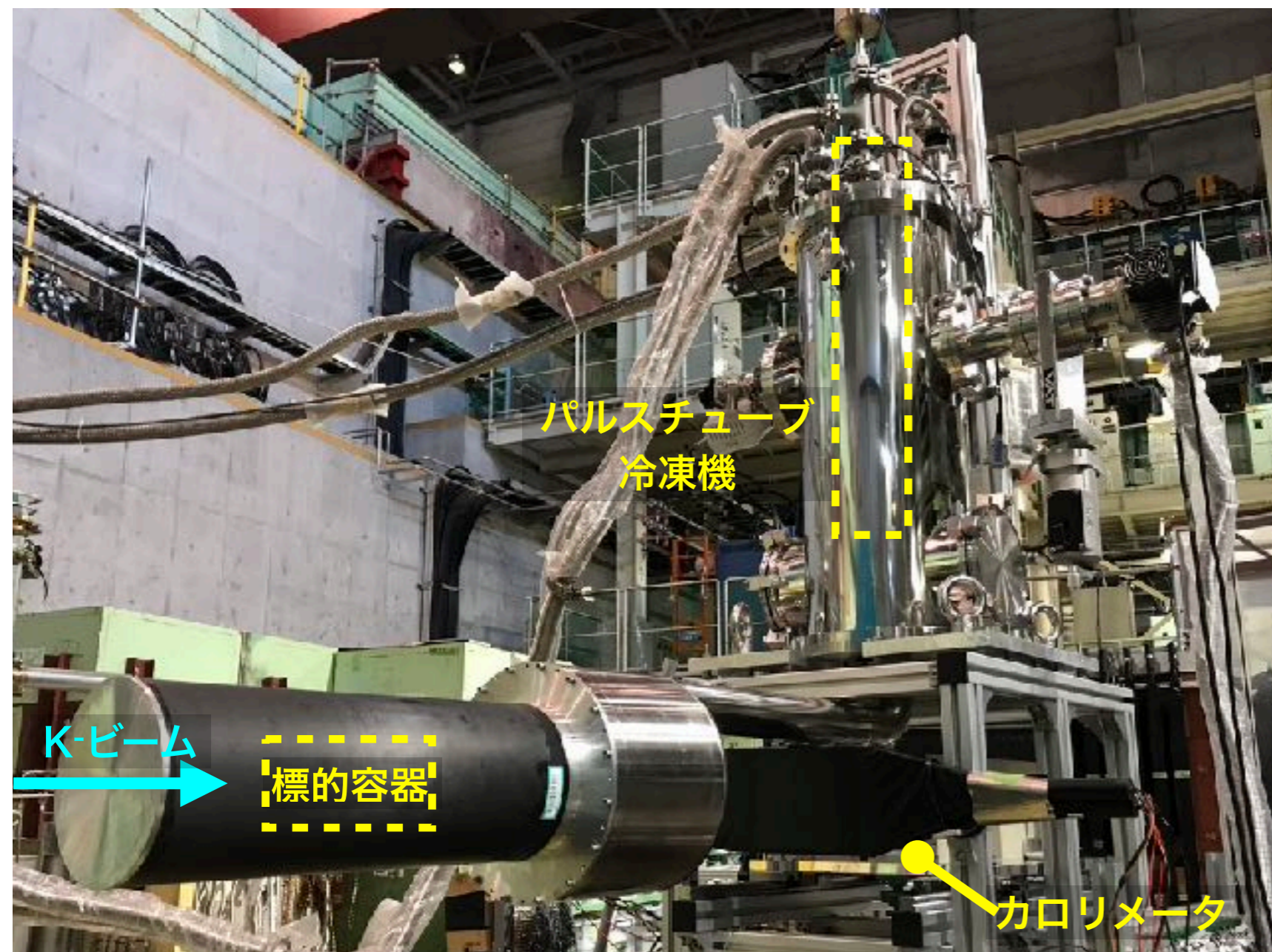


Single track resolution



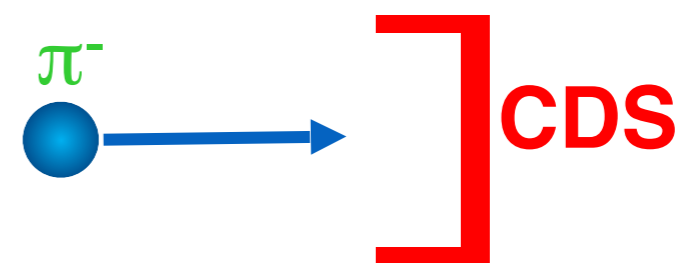
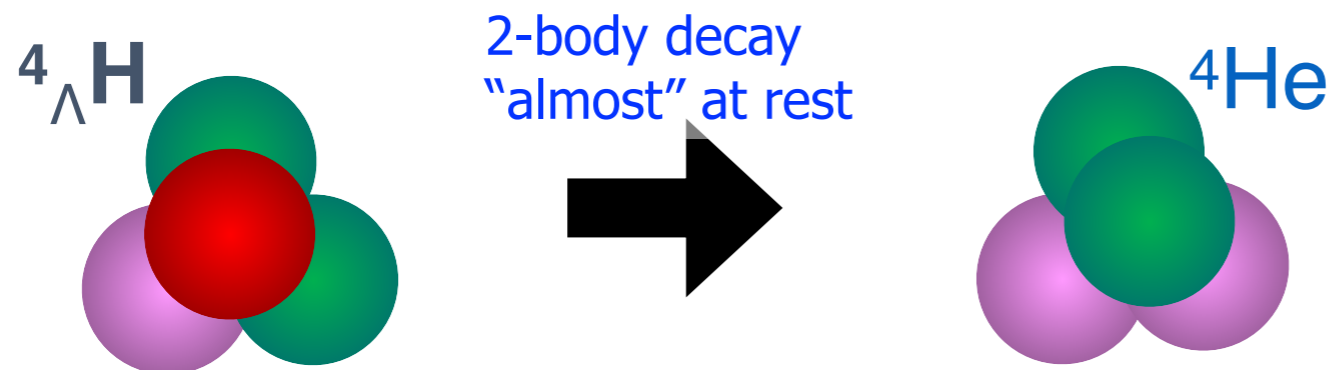
- Well established system. used in E15(K-pp)/E31(L1405)
- Best resolution at around 0.1 ~ 0.15 GeV/c

無冷媒液体ヘリウム標的システム

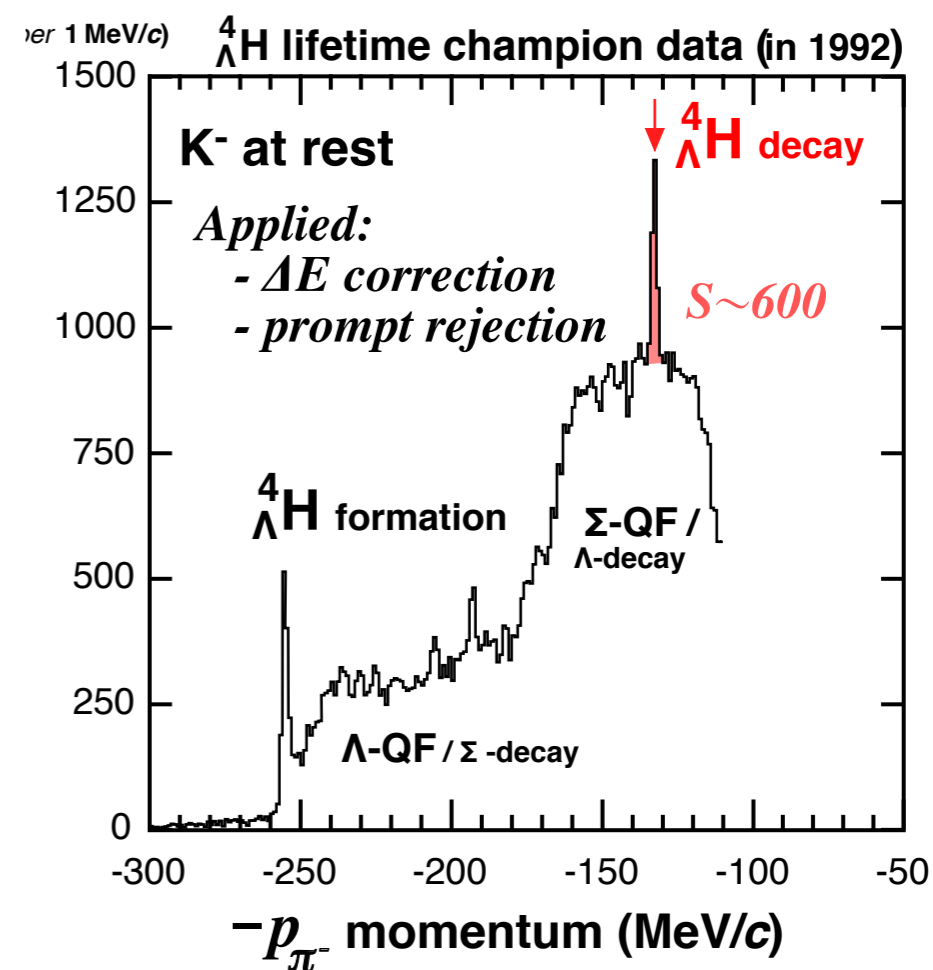
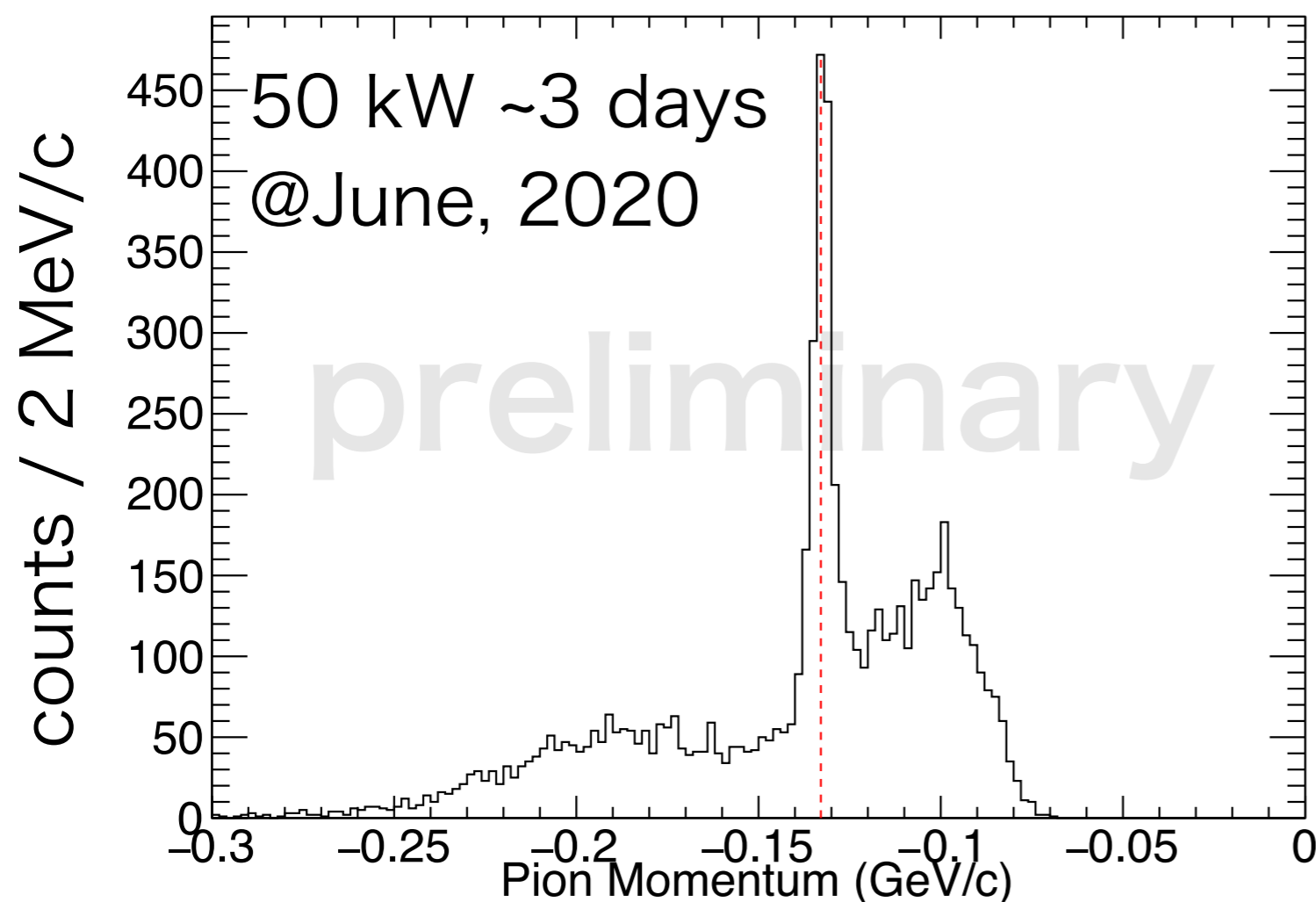


- ✓ 液体N₂/Heを用いたE15システム→パルスチューブ冷凍機を用いた無冷媒システムへ
- ✓ 到達温度 2.5~2.7K, 冷却開始から<48時間で³He液化可能
- ✓ T77/ E73 1stで実際に運用に成功

$^4\Lambda\text{H}$ data: Pion momentum spectrum



H. Ota, Nucl. Phys. A **585**, 109 (1995).

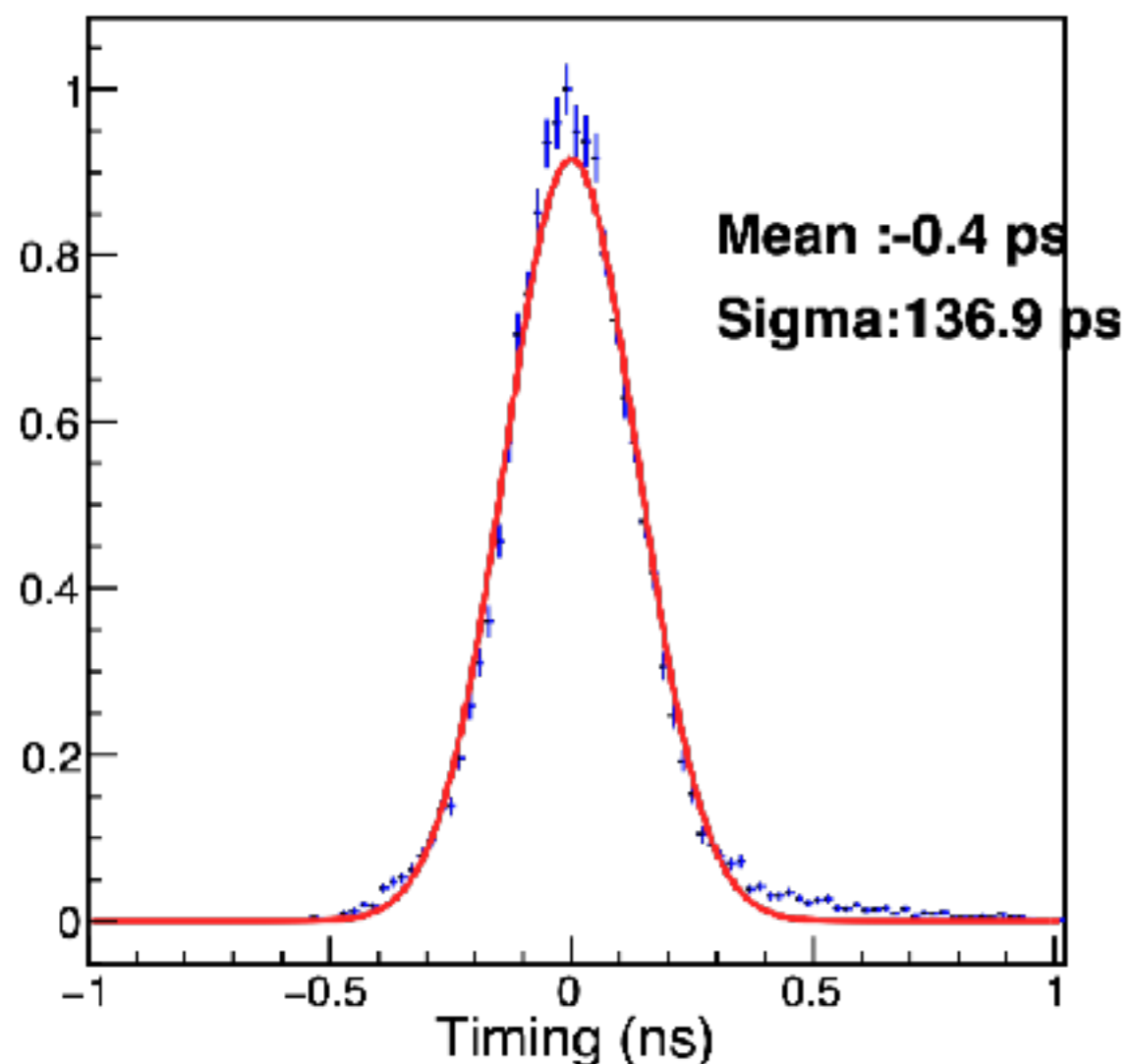


- $^4\Lambda\text{H}$ peak was clearly observed with expected background from quasi-free Λ .
- x2 peak count, x10 S/N compared with the KEK experiment

^4He data: Timing spectrum

π scattering

H4L after sideband subtraction



statistical error
< 10 ps

preliminary

- Detector timing response is well understood by π -scat. data.
- Need more study for the background subtraction.

^3He data

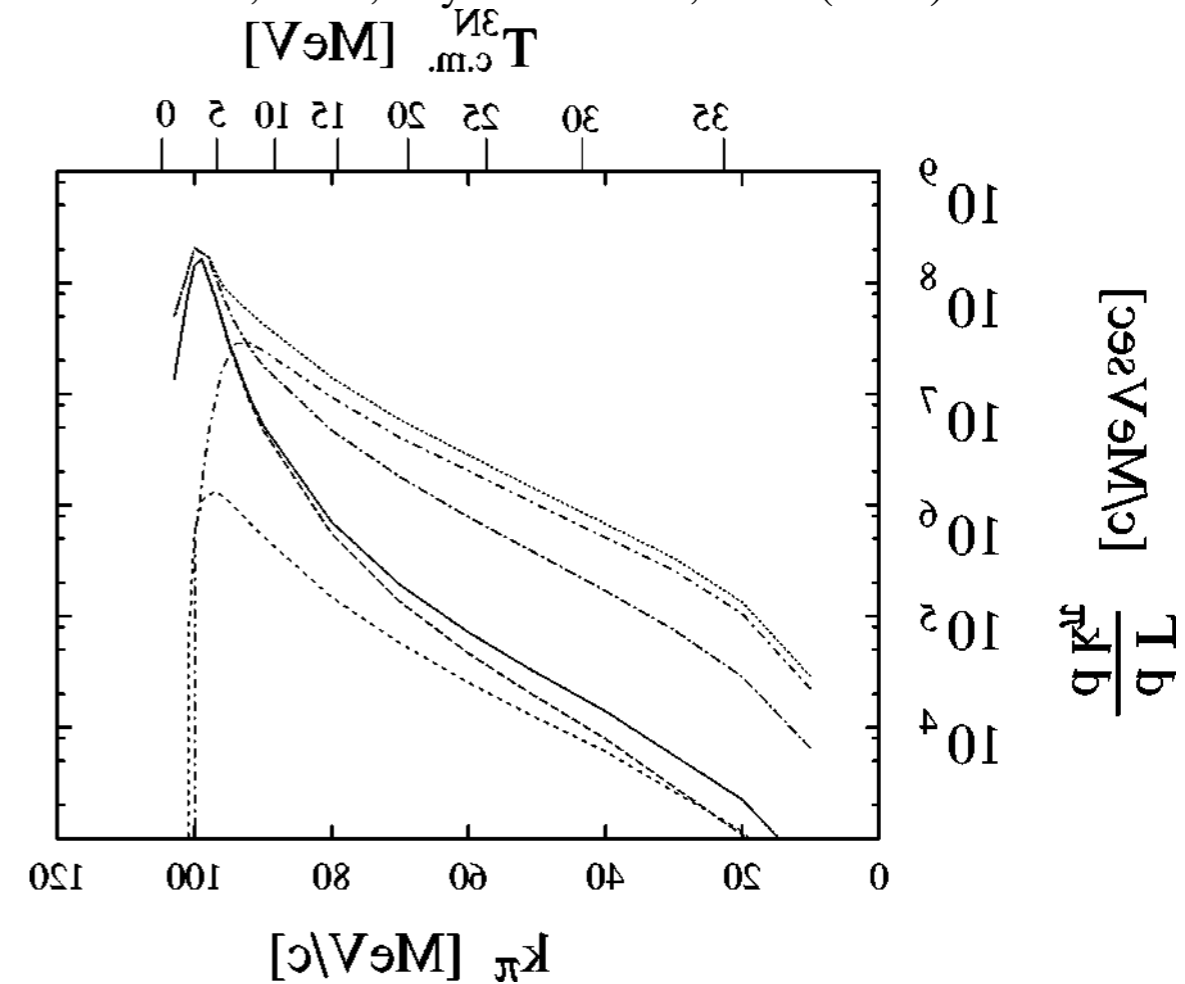
60 kW ~4 days beam
@May, 2021

Very preliminary

- Successfully observed the peak from 2 body decays.
- First direct confirmation of spin 1/2

^3He data

H. Kamada, *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C **57**, 1595 (1998).



Very preliminary

QF- Σ^-

QF- Λ/Σ^0 just eye guides...

- 3-body decays are also observed. could be used for the life time evaluation
- We need careful study of the background shape

Plan for 2 years

- 2020.6: Feasibility demonstration with Helium-4 **done**
- 2021.5/6: Cross section measurement with Helium-3 **done**
 - Analysis (Ph.D thesis for T. Akaishi)
 - (necessary modifications of the setup (not all):
 - beam-line trigger counter
 - PbF2 readout
 - vertex fiber tracker
 - target radiation shield
 - etc...)
- 2022.10 or later (after long shutdown):
 - Lifetime measurement of ${}^3\Lambda\text{H}$ (> 1000 events)

Summary

- Hypertriton provides a benchmark for hypernuclear physics.
- We have explored a new method to investigate the neutron-rich hypernuclei by K- beam & gamma-ray tagging
- We will provide unique information
 - Cross section (x Branching ratio) of ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$, ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ in (K^-, π^0)
 - Lifetime with highest precision and different systematics
 - ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$: < 10 (stat.), < 10 (syst.) ps
 - ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$: ~ 20 (stat.), < 20 (syst.) ps
 - (two-body decay ratio)