

# *Precision spectroscopy of Kaonic Helium X-rays*

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KEK-PS E570 :

Cycle 1 : October 2005

Cycle 2 : December 2005

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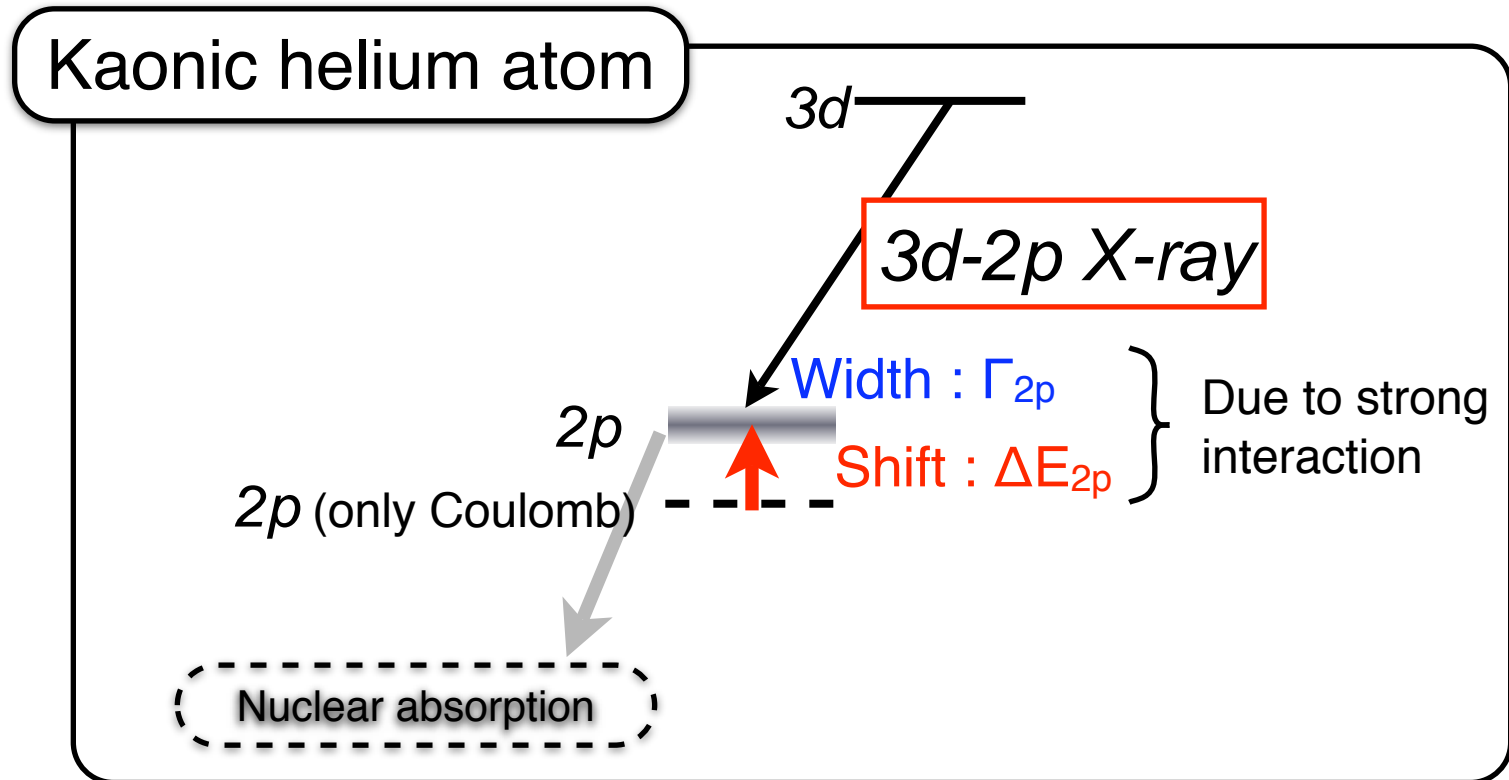
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# Introduction

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# What do we measure ?

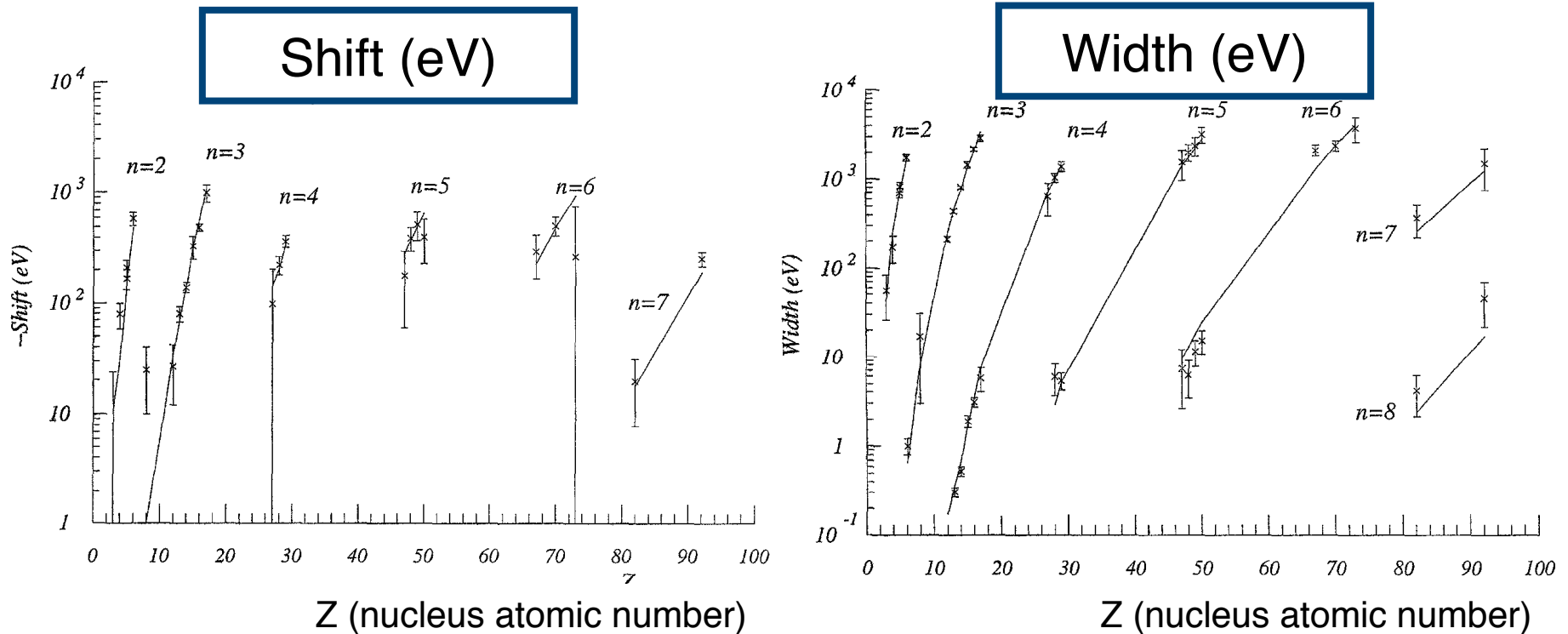
Last orbit level shift of Kaonic atom is sensitive to  $\bar{K}$ -nucleus strong interaction.



Precisely determine the  $\bar{K}$ -nucleus strong interaction at vanishing relative energy  
-> many experiments have been done (from Helium to Uranium)

# Kaonic atoms

Last-orbit energy-level shift and width of kaonic atoms

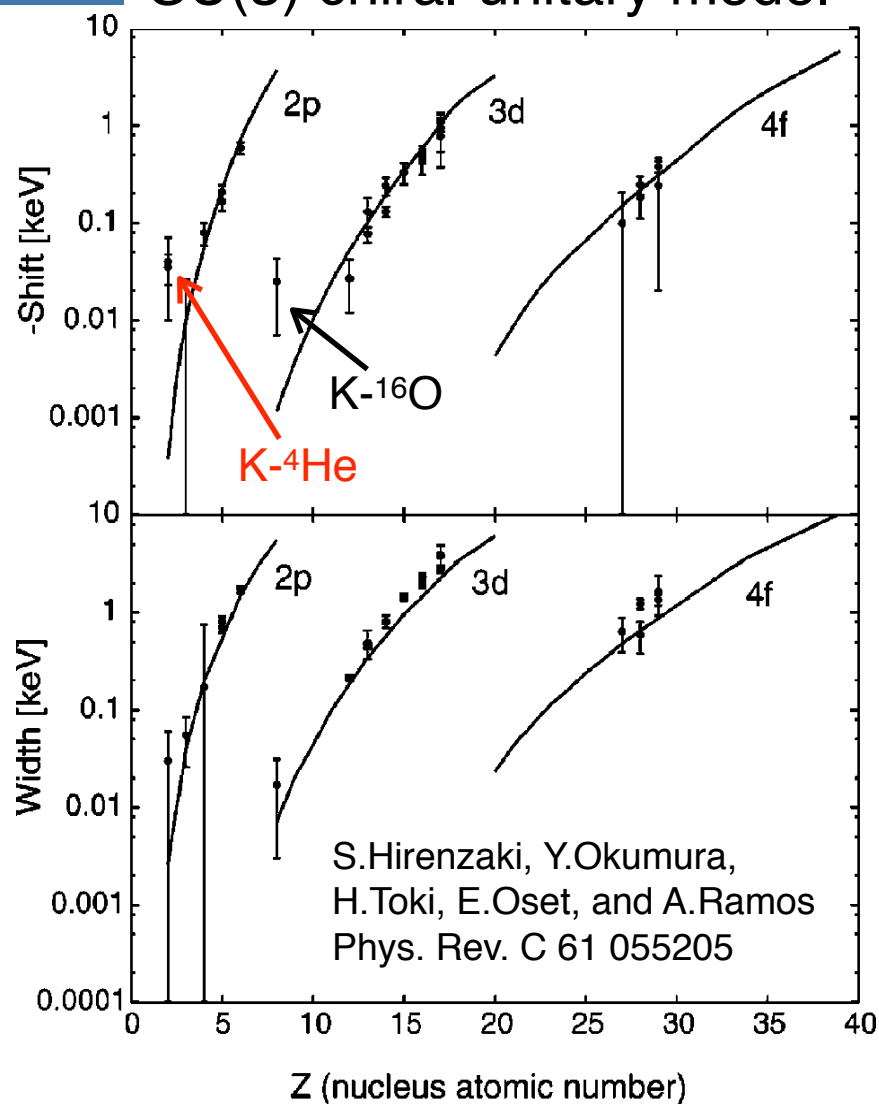


fitted fairly well by optical-potential model

Batty, Friedman and Gal, Phys. Rep. 287 (1997) 385

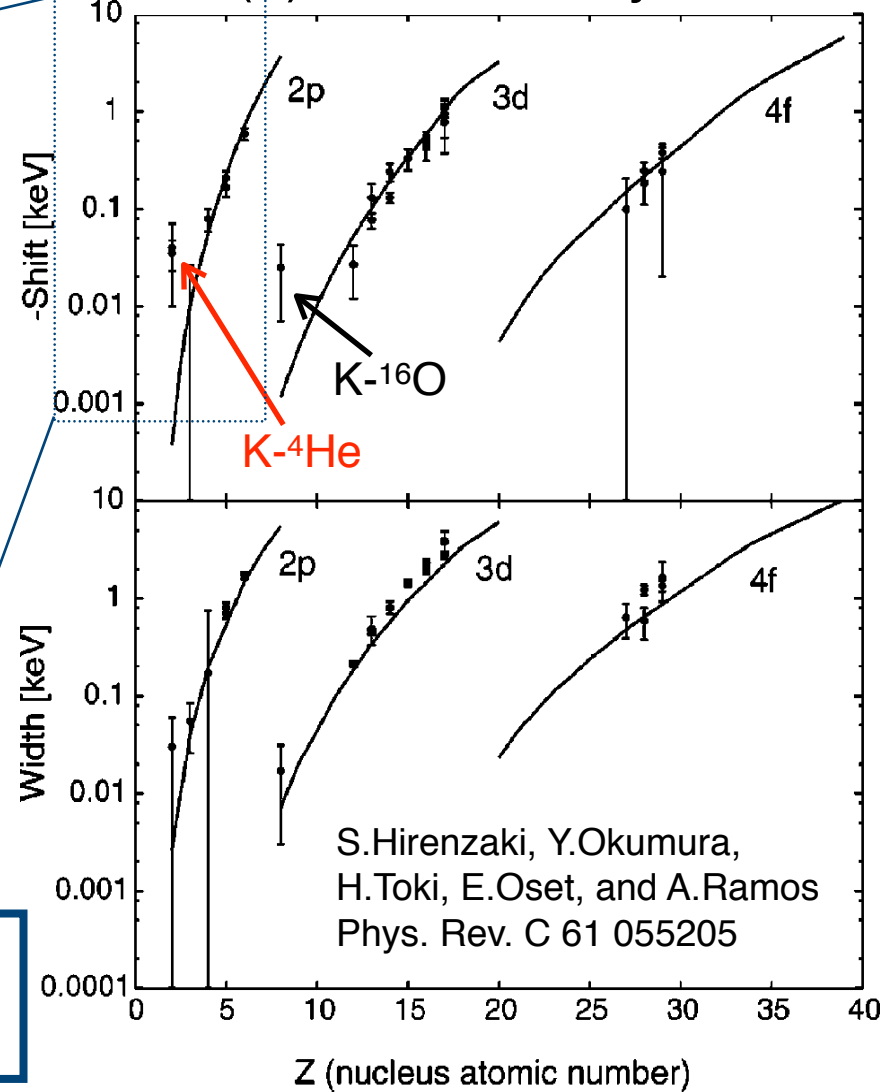
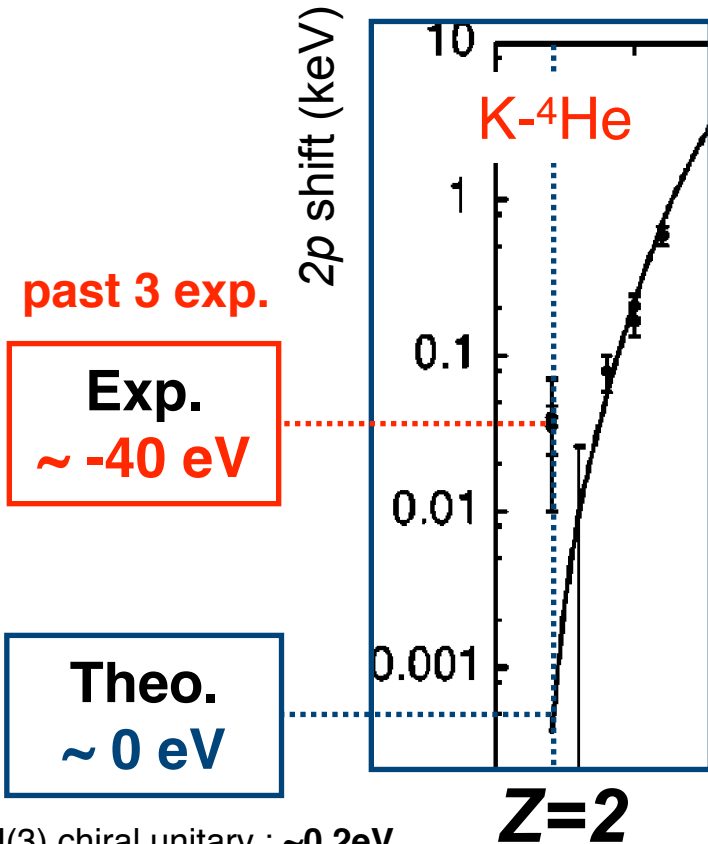
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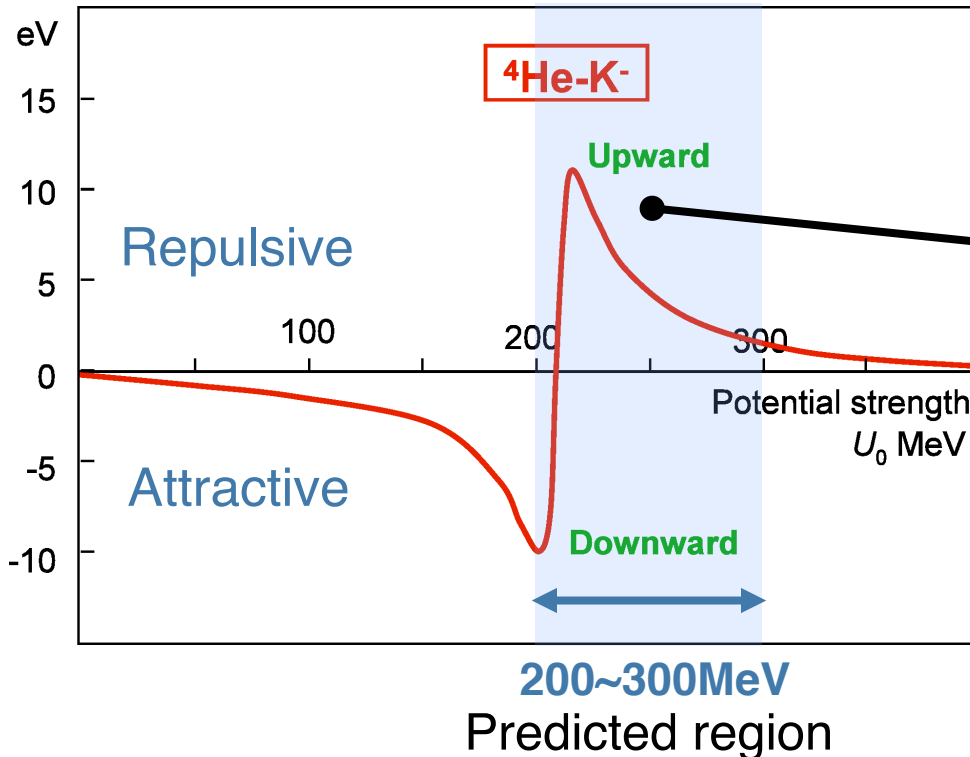
No theory can reproduce the large shift (~ 40 eV) !

SU(3) chiral unitary : ~0.2eV

# A possible large shift

Coupled-channel calculation by Y. Akaishi  
( $\bar{K}N$  channel -  $\Sigma\pi$  decay channel)

## 2p-level shifts of the $K^-$ - ${}^4\text{He}$ atom



Large shift is acceptable  
 $|\Delta E_{2p}| \sim 10 \text{ eV (at max.)}$

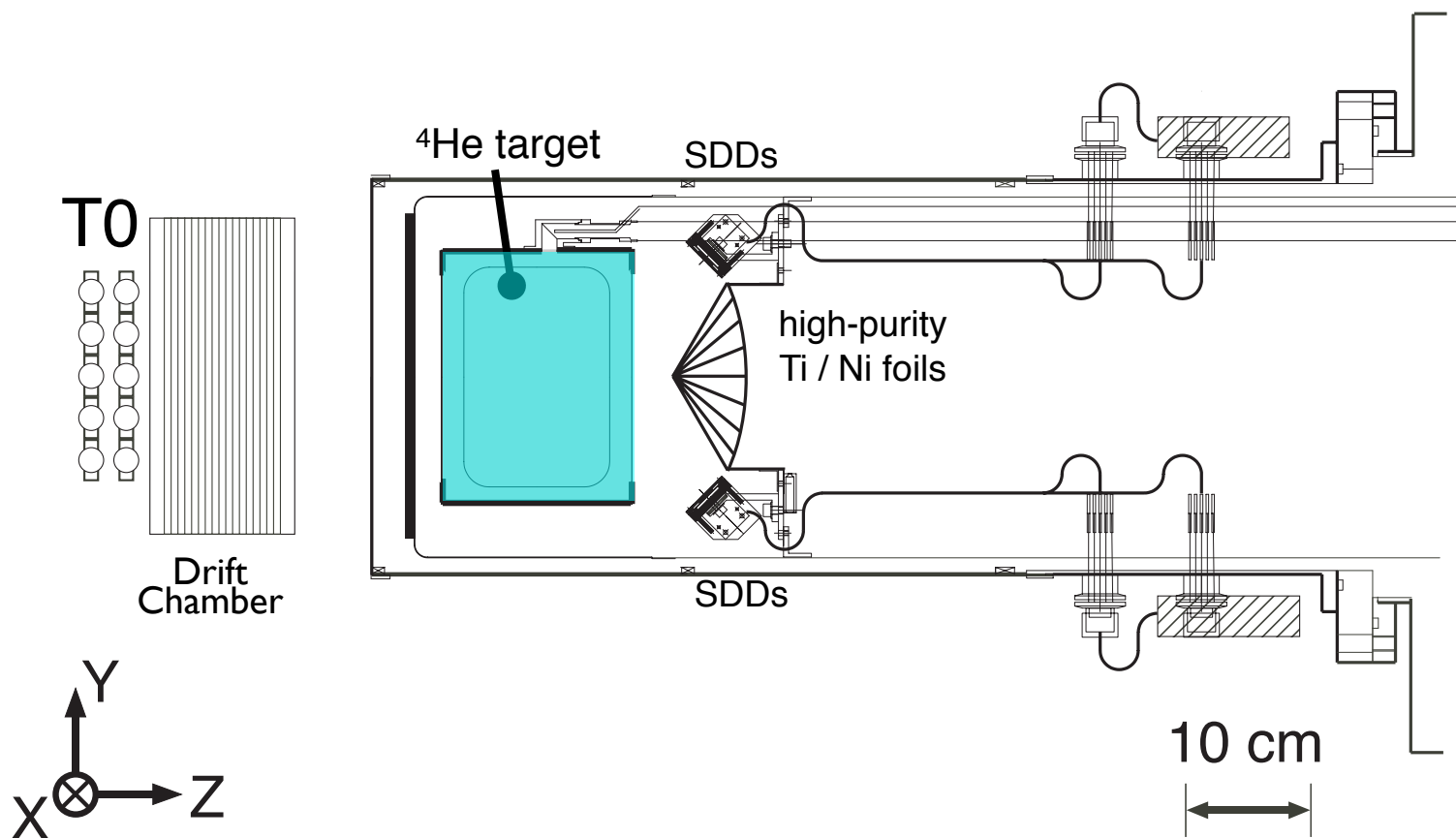
Y.Akaishi, EXA05  
proceedings (2005)



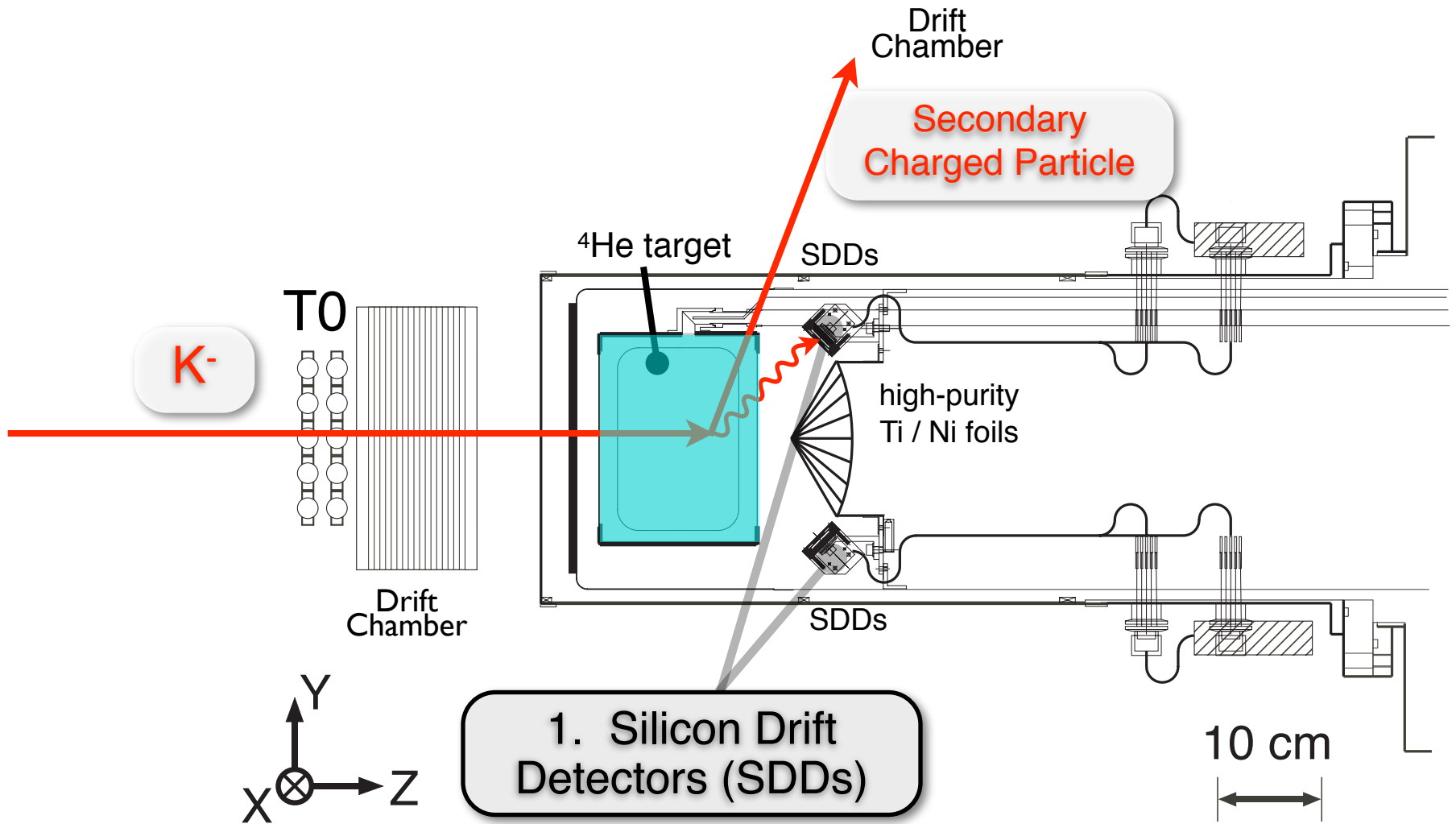
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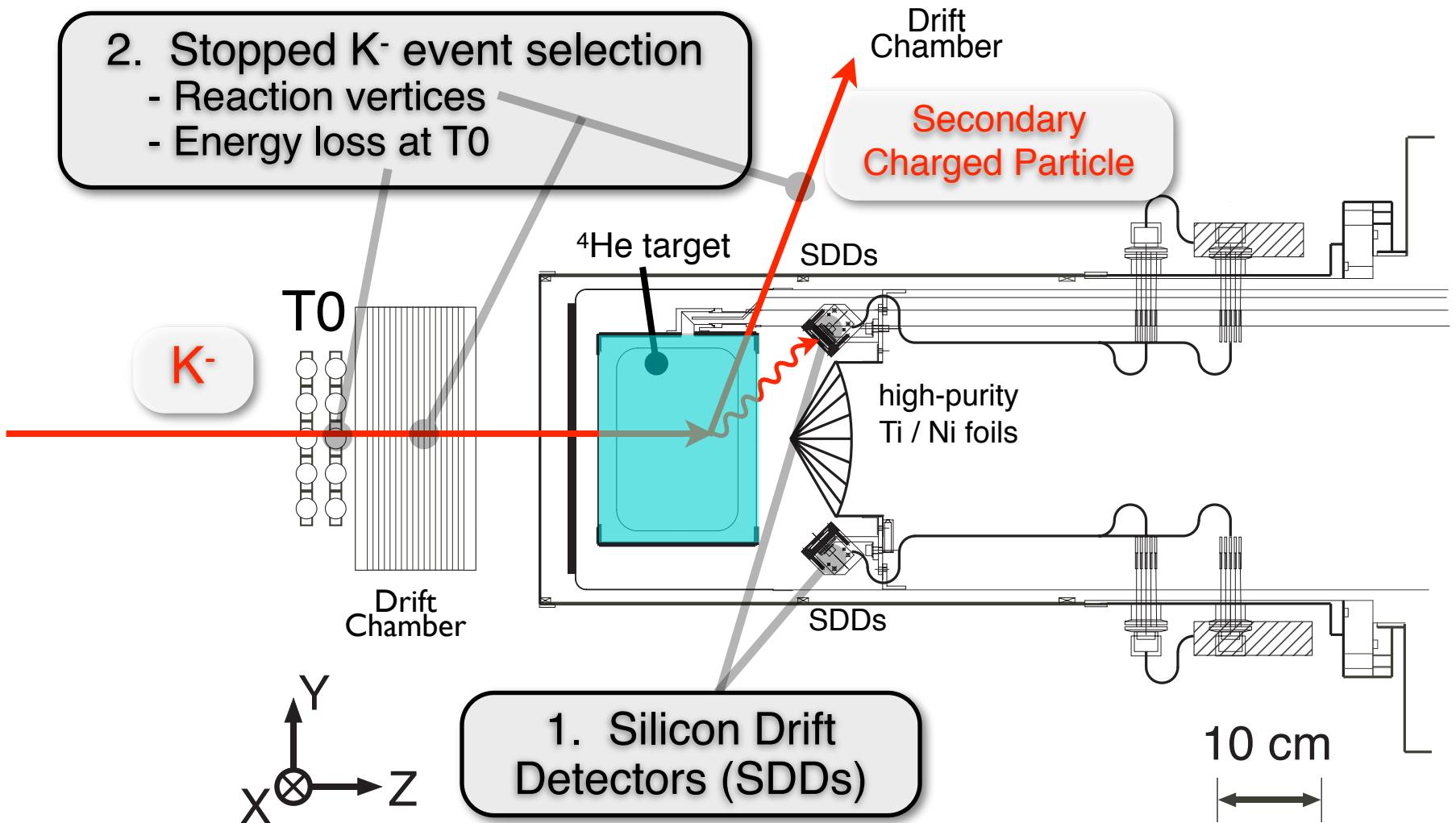
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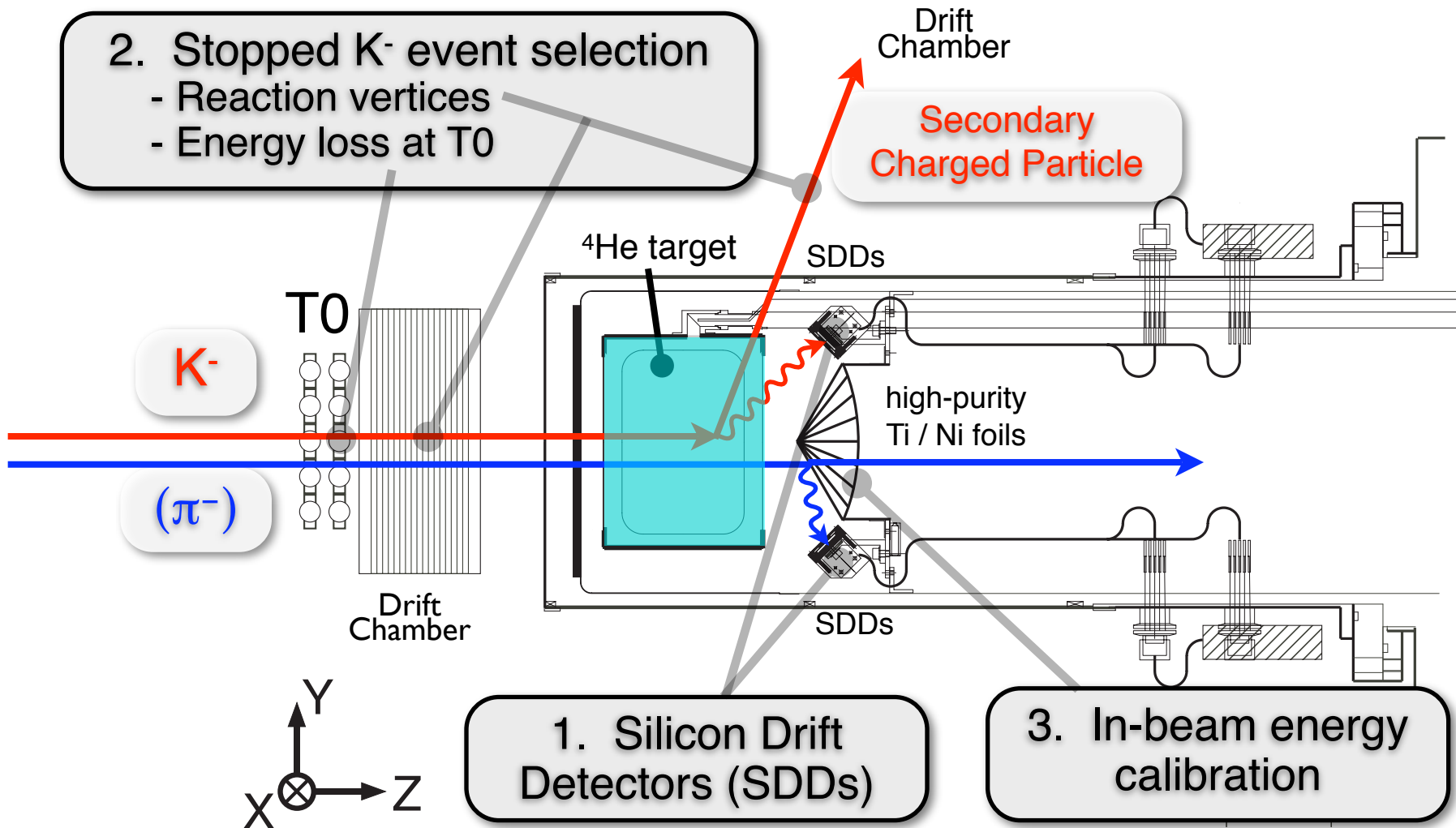
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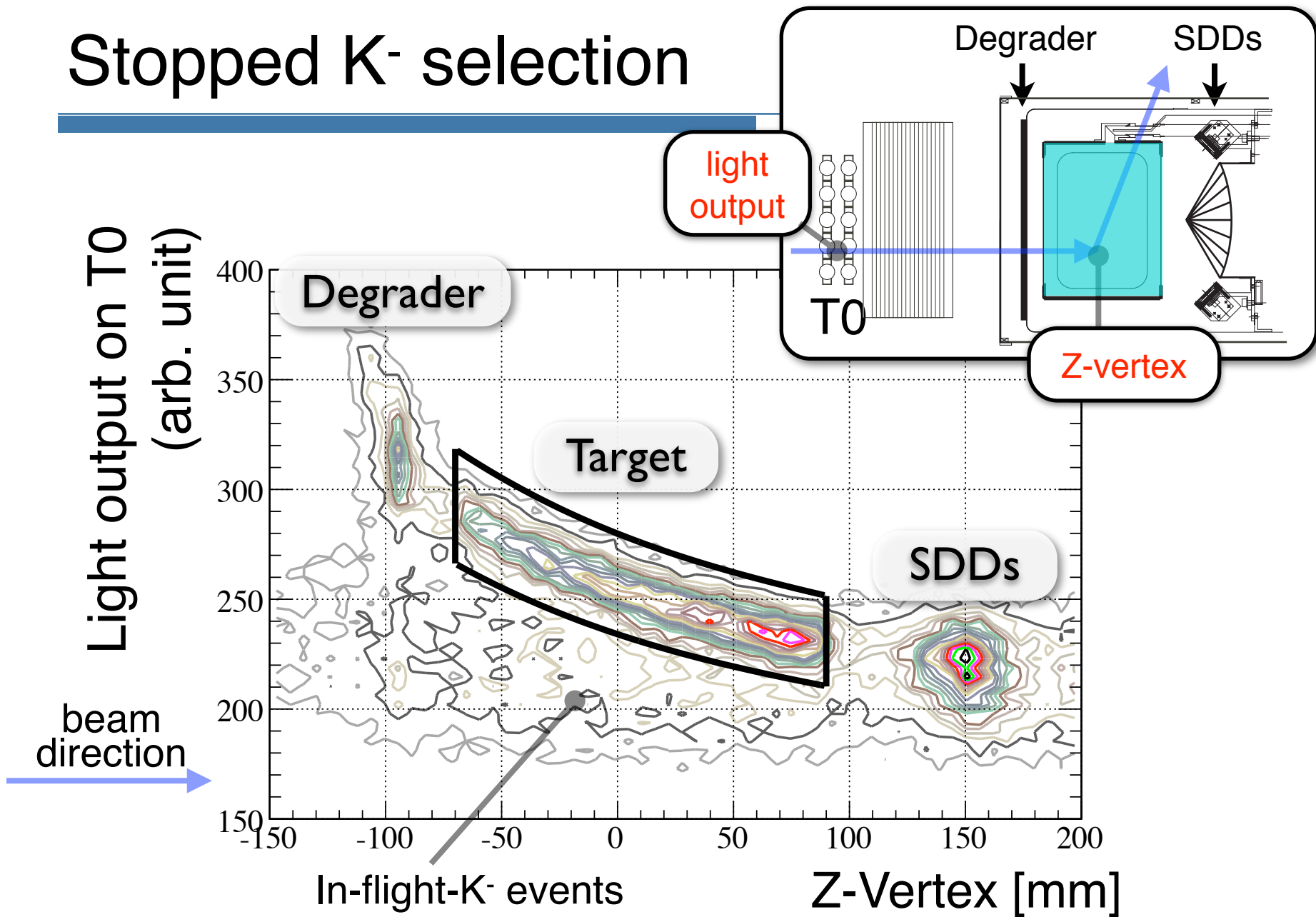
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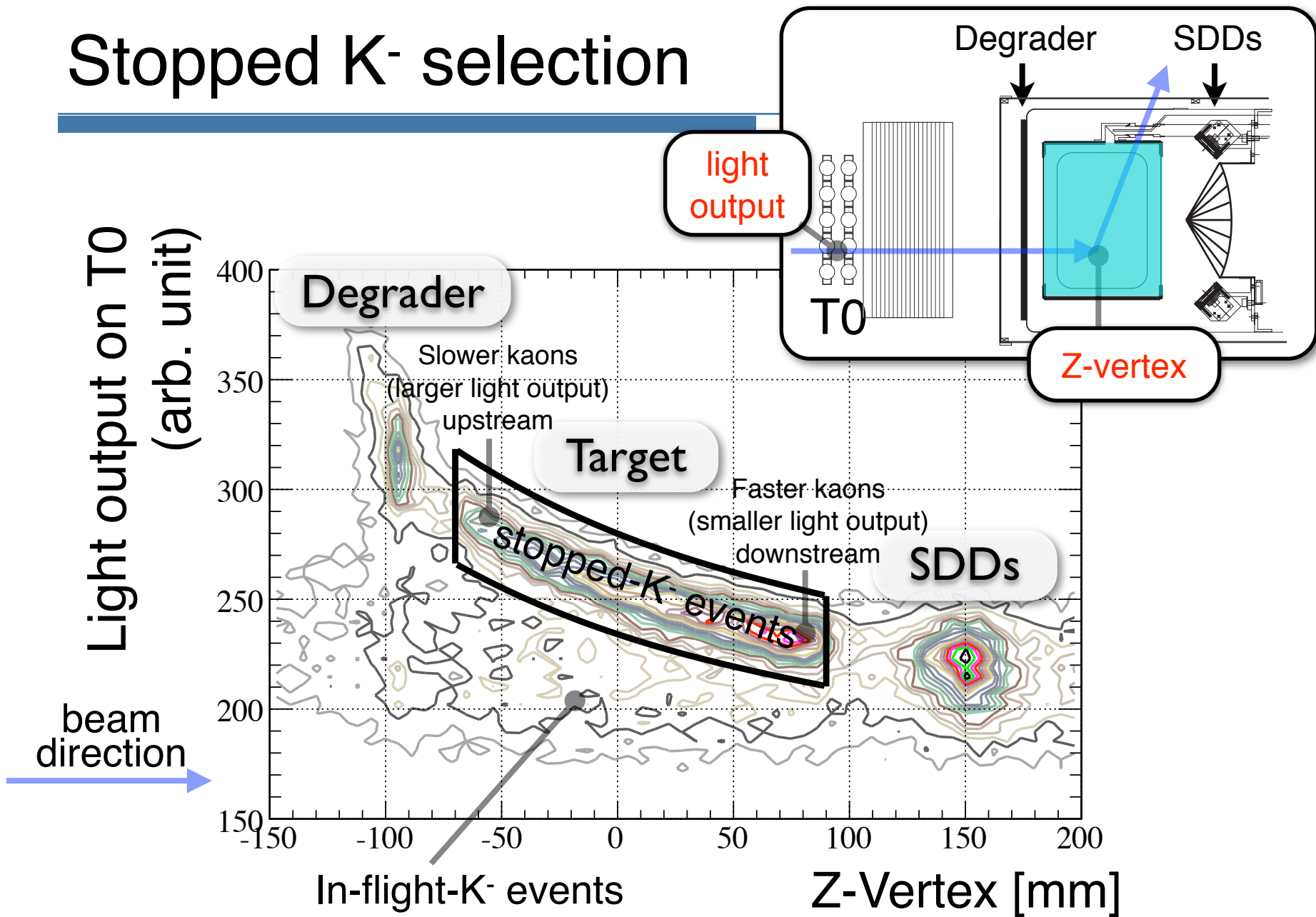
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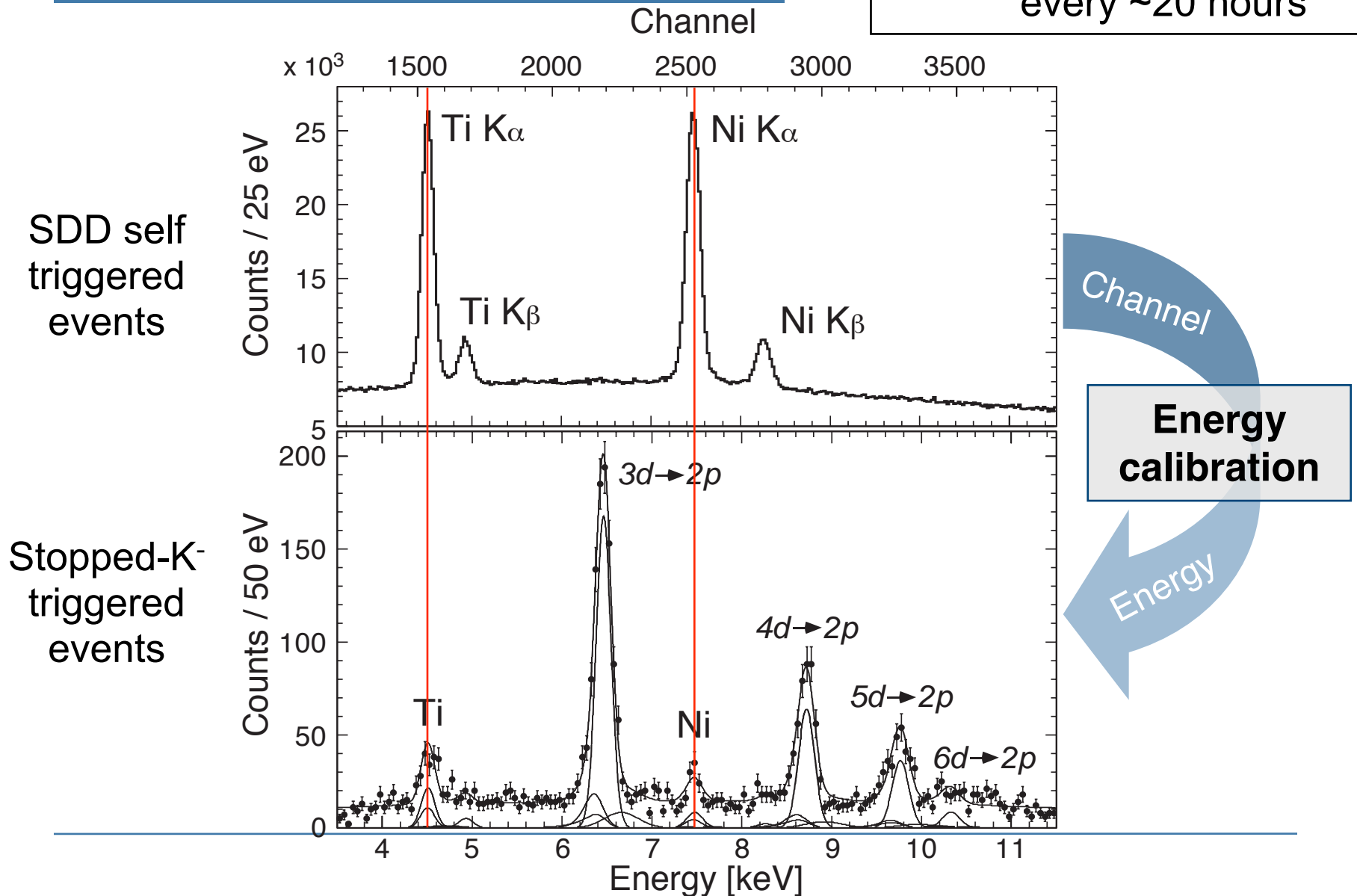




# Energy calibration

Ti  $K\alpha$  :  $5 \times 10^2$  / hour / SDD

Gain drift adjustment :  
every  $\sim 20$  hours



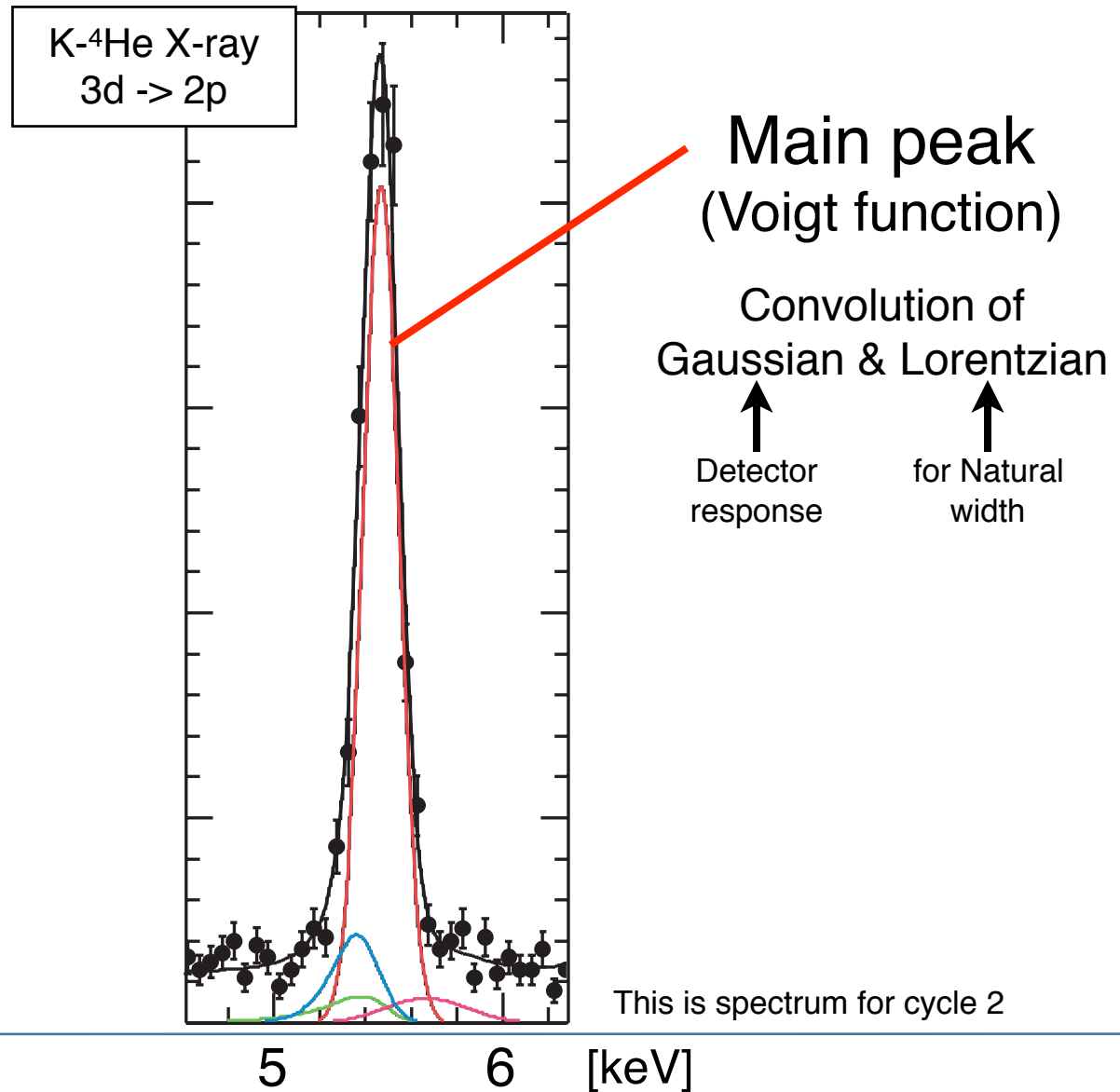
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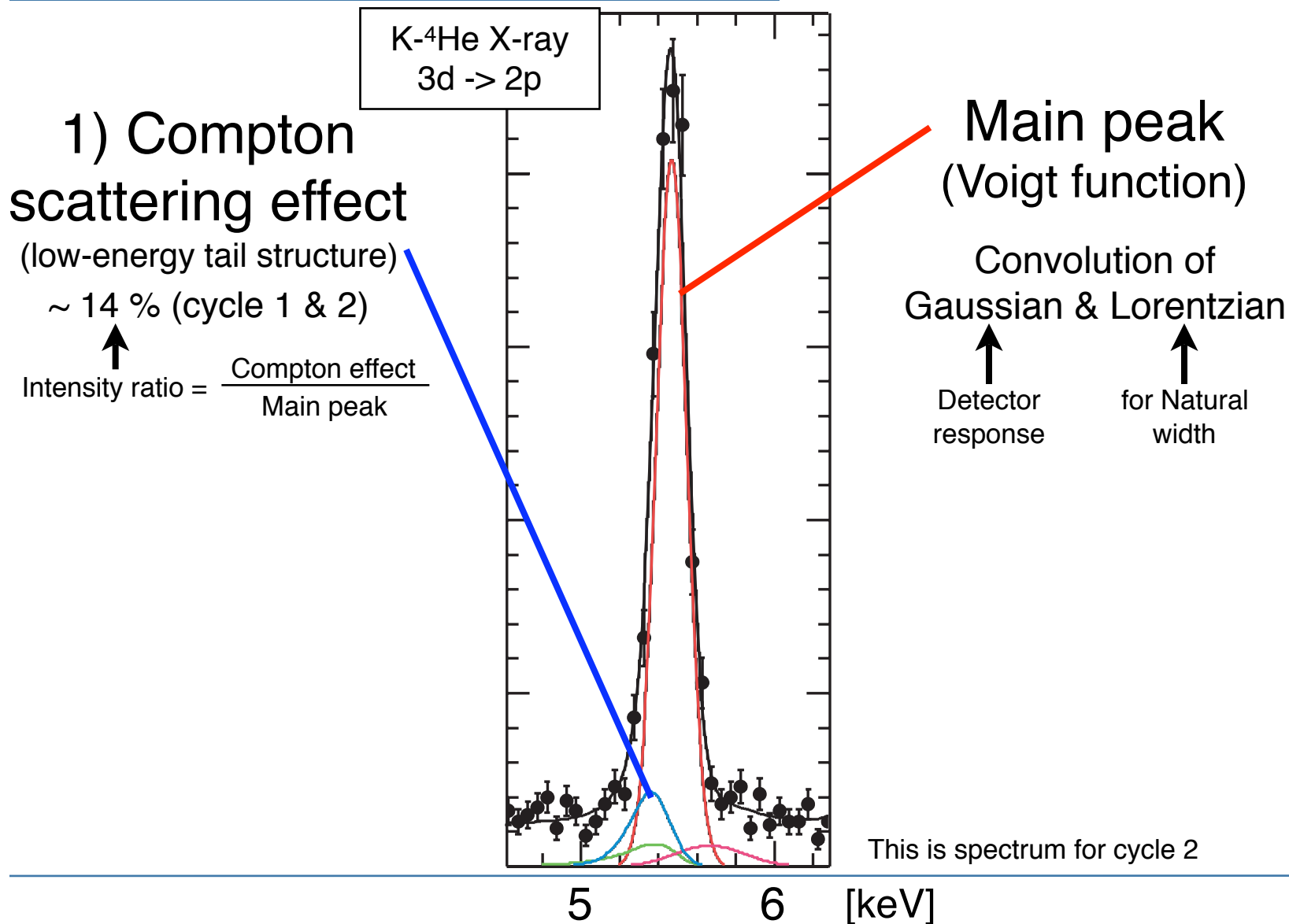
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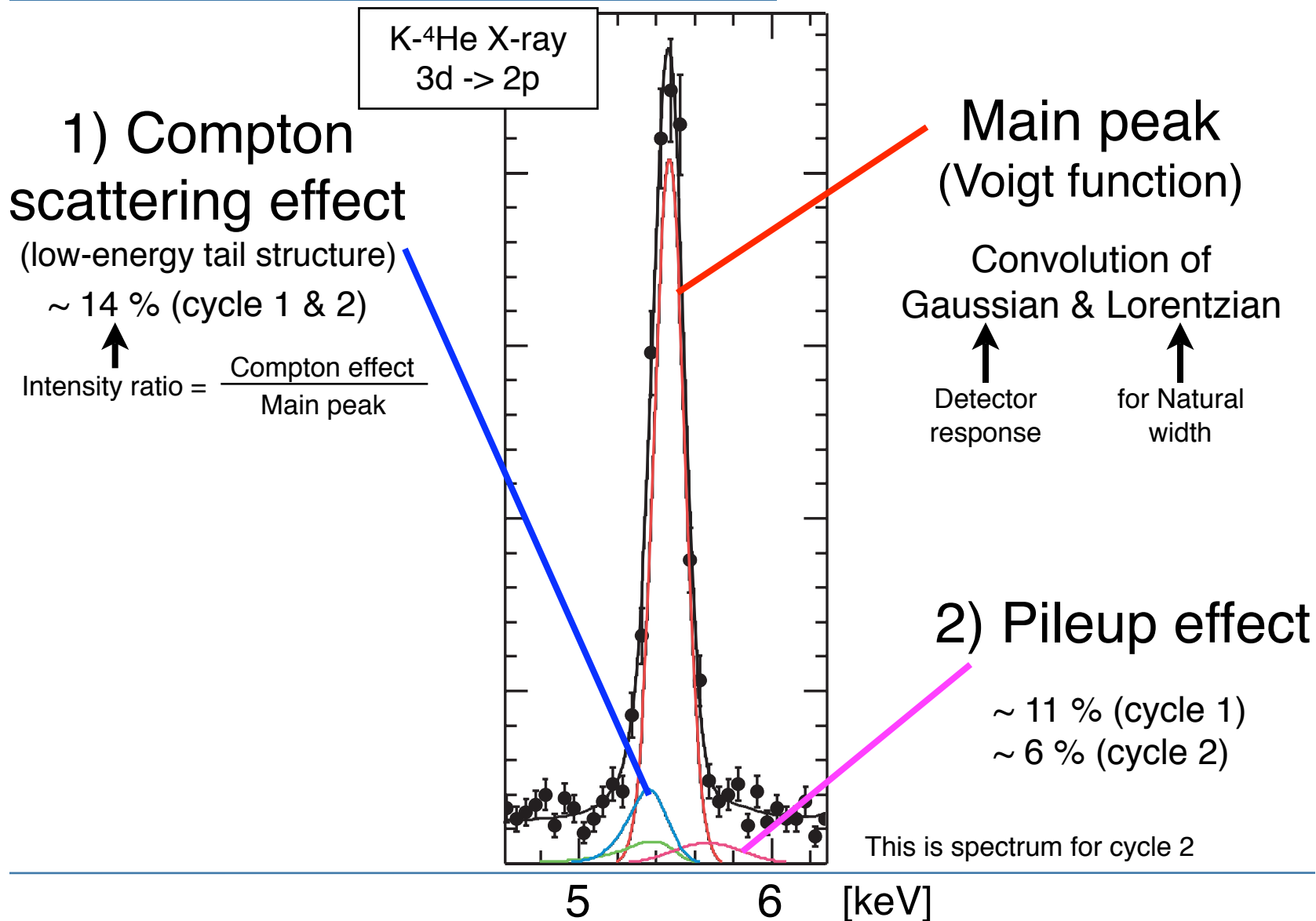
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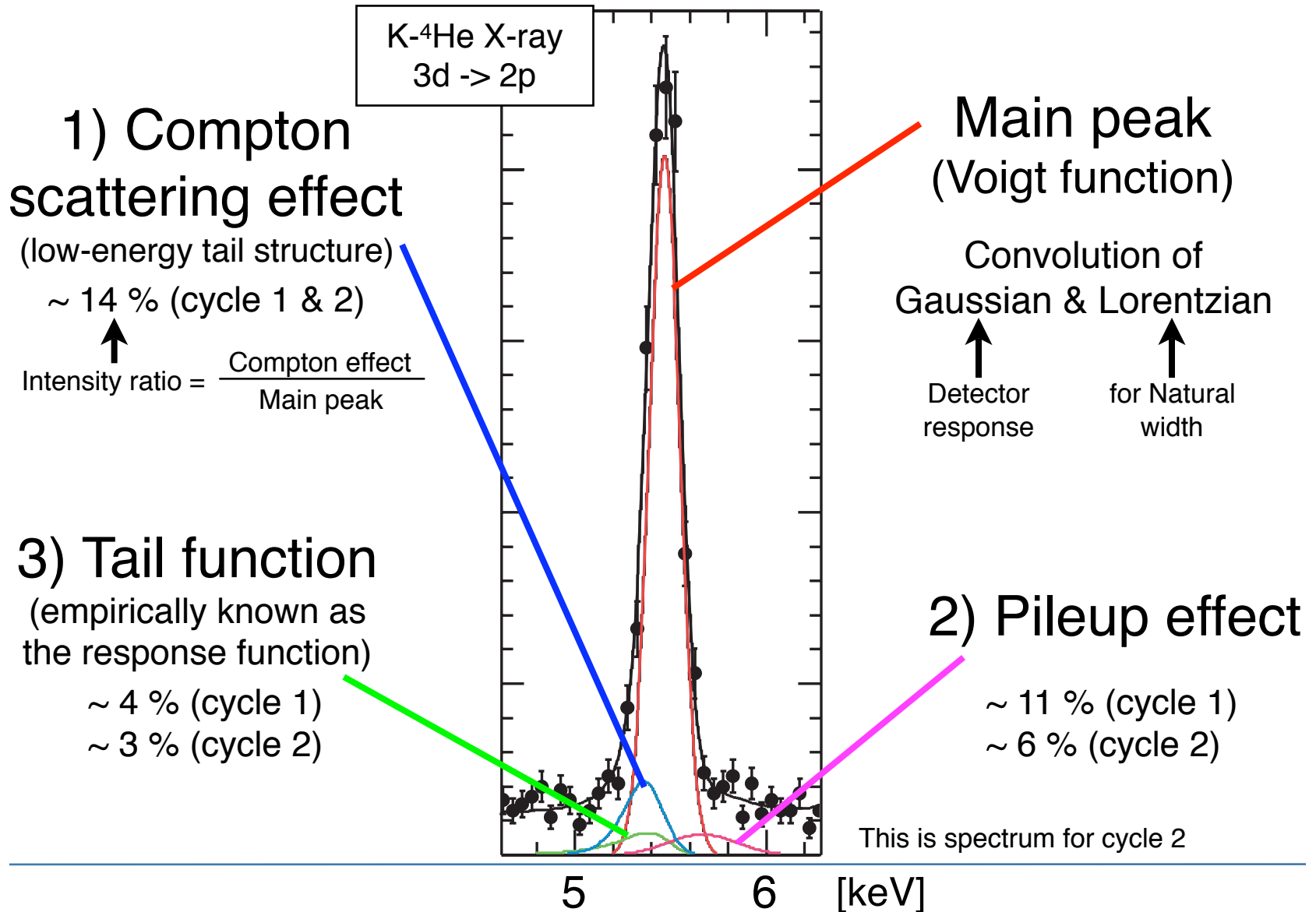
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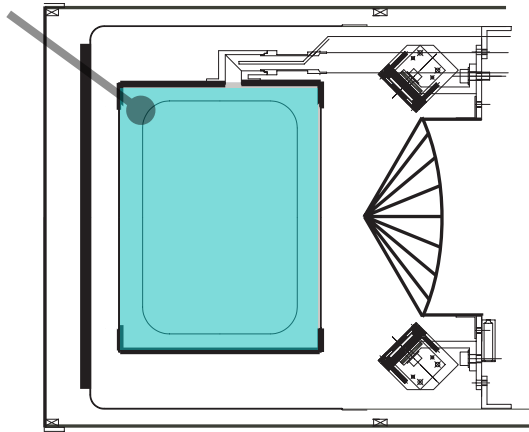
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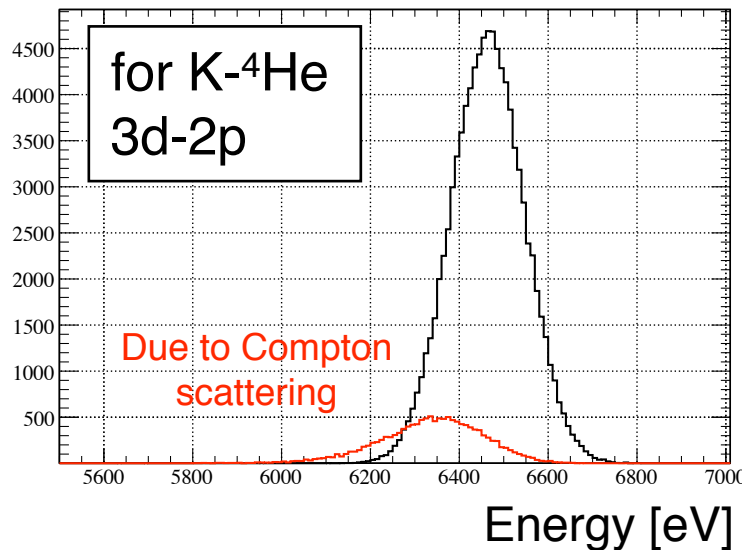
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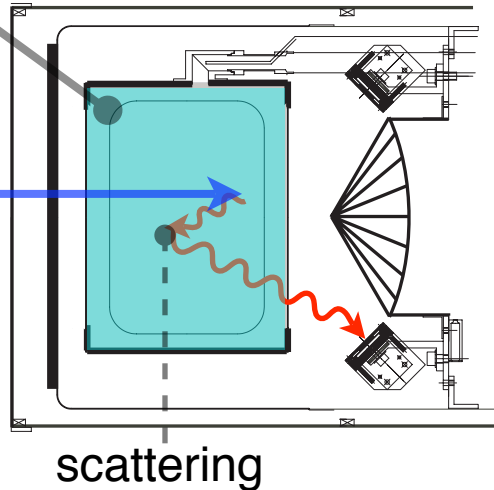
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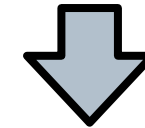
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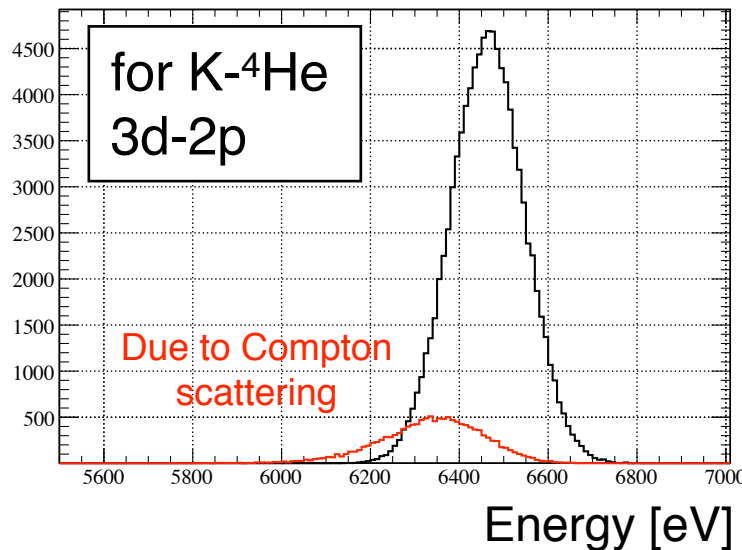
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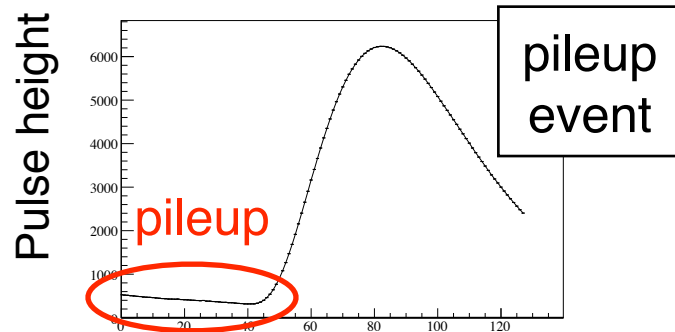
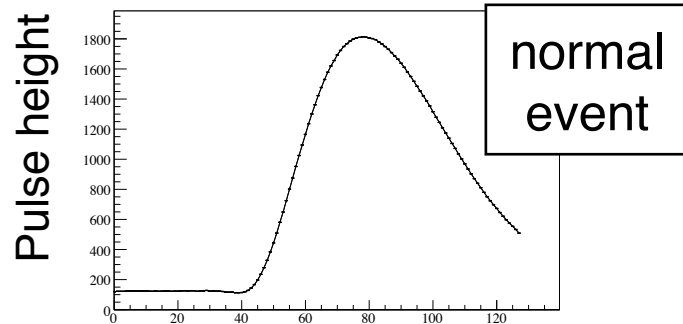
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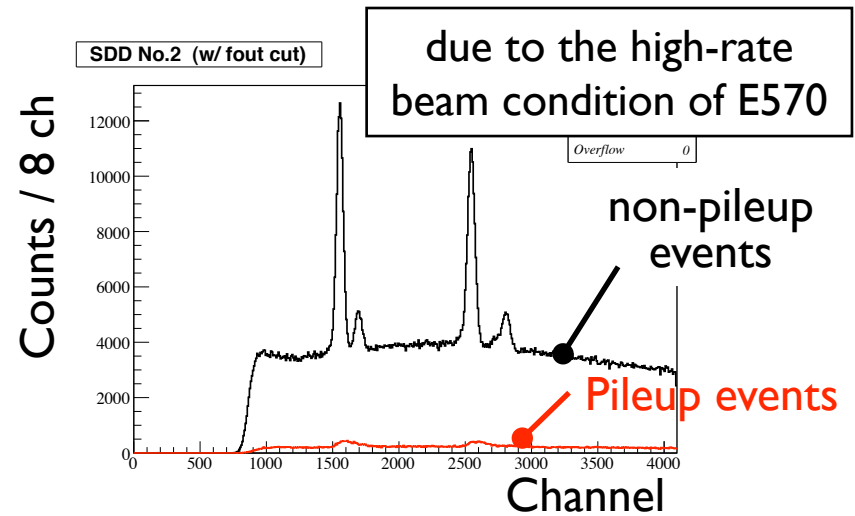
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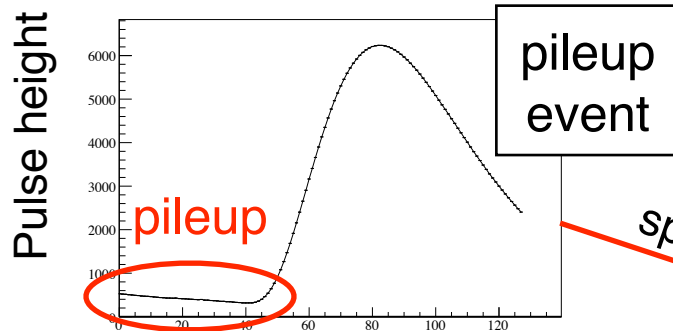
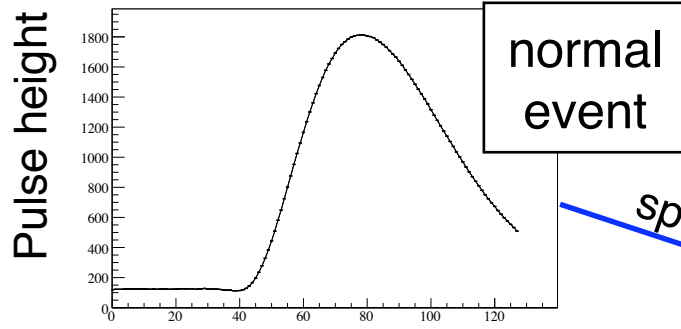
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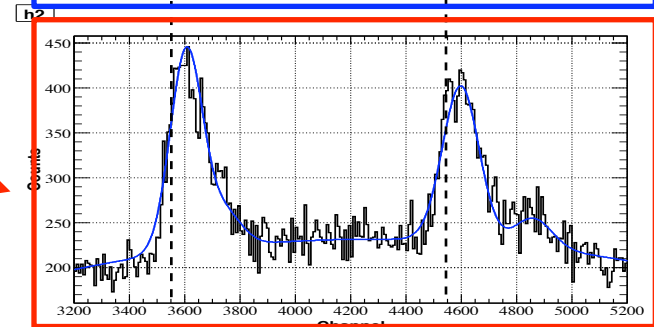
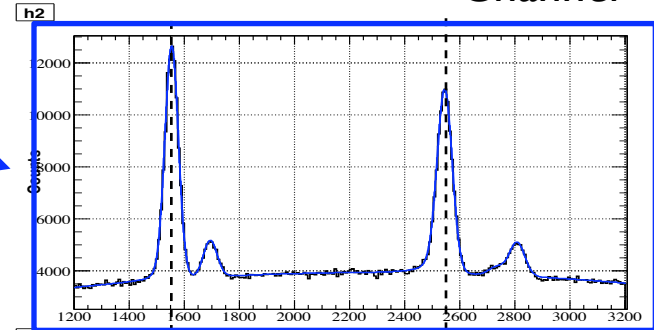
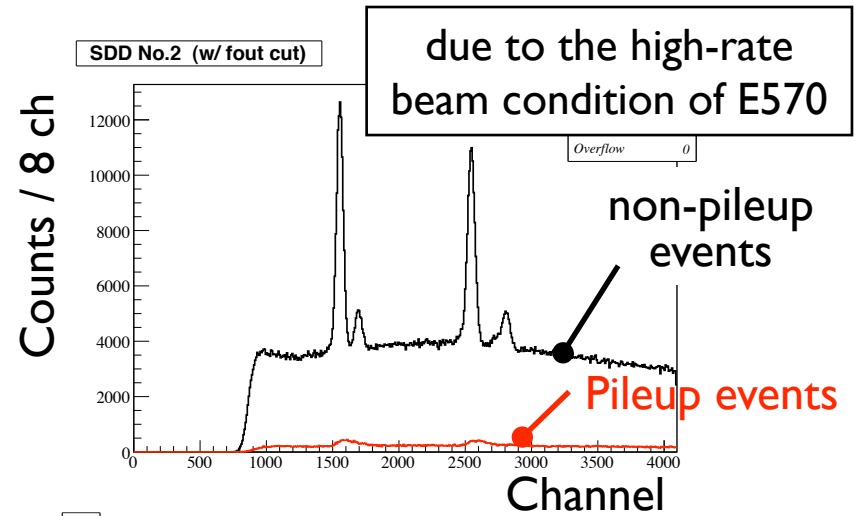


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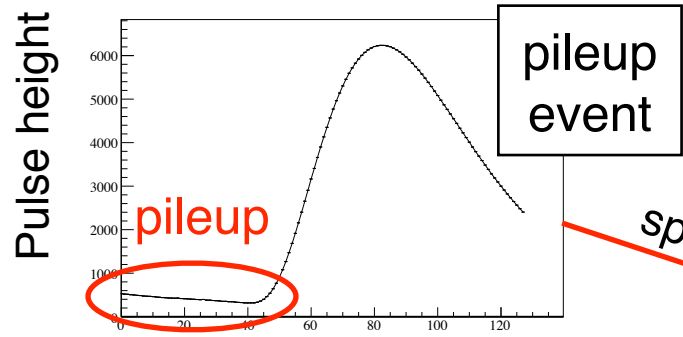
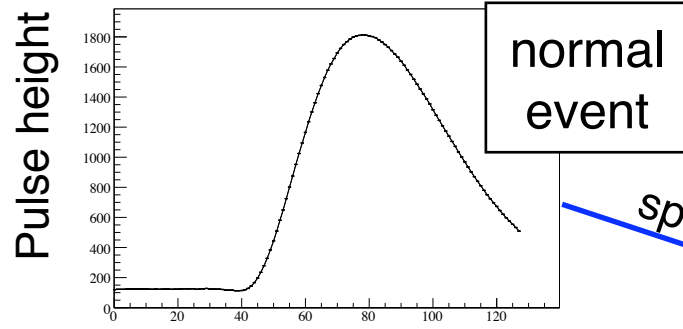
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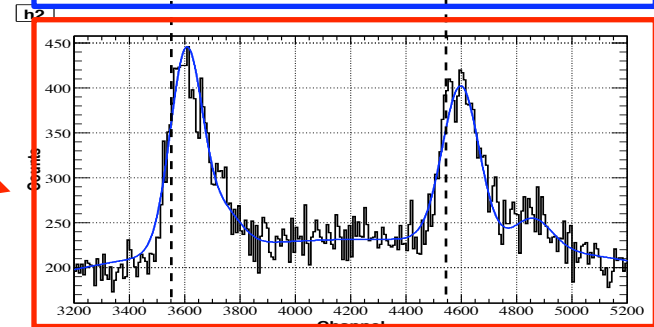
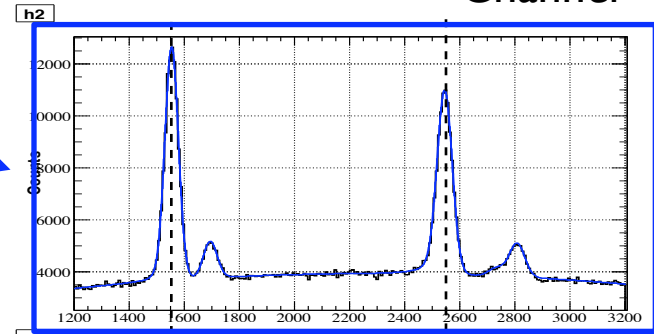
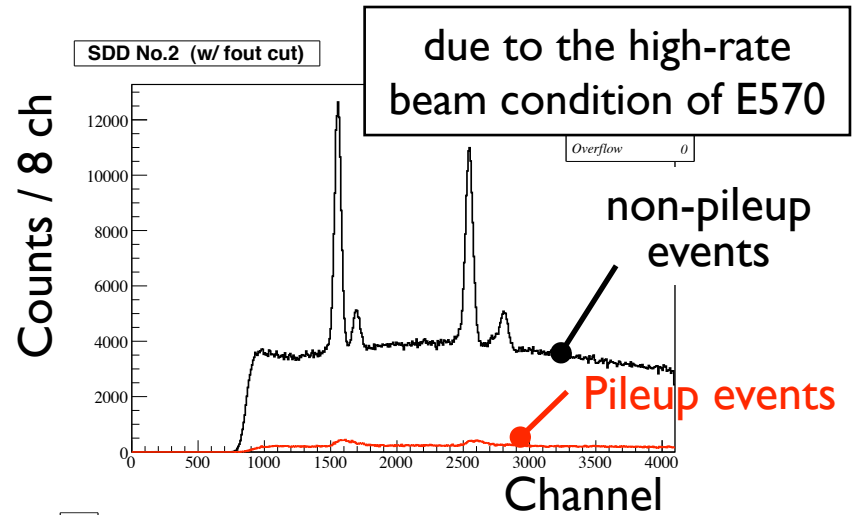
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Estimation of the pileup function



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The spectra obtained by event selection using FADC data is used for the estimation of the **relative mean value and width** by fitting those spectra.  
... **Intensity ratio** : by fitting calib. spectra fixing these parameters (mean & width)

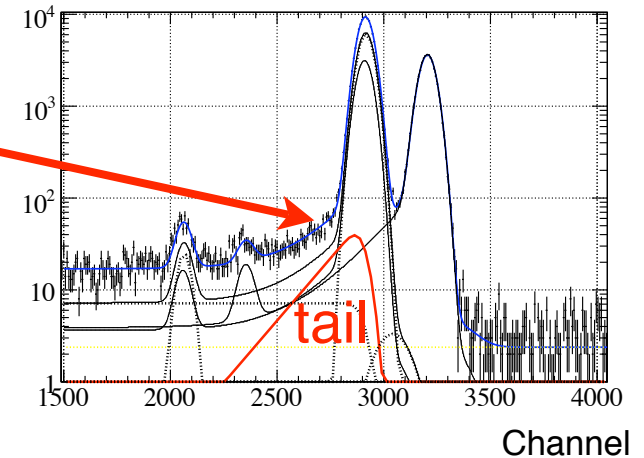
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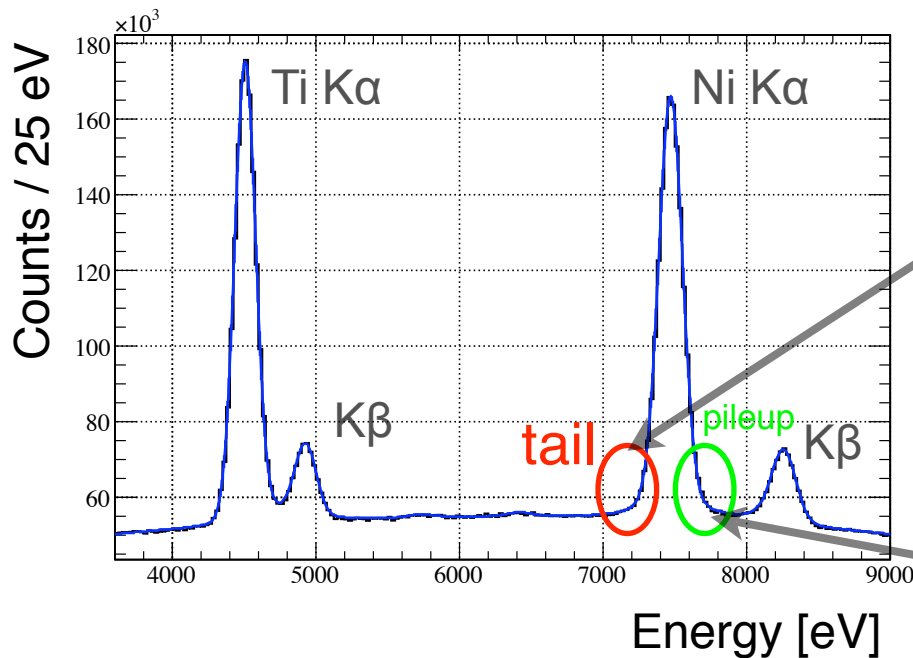
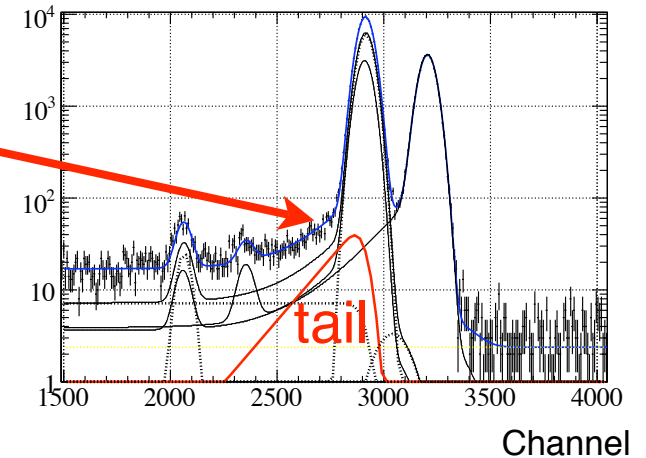
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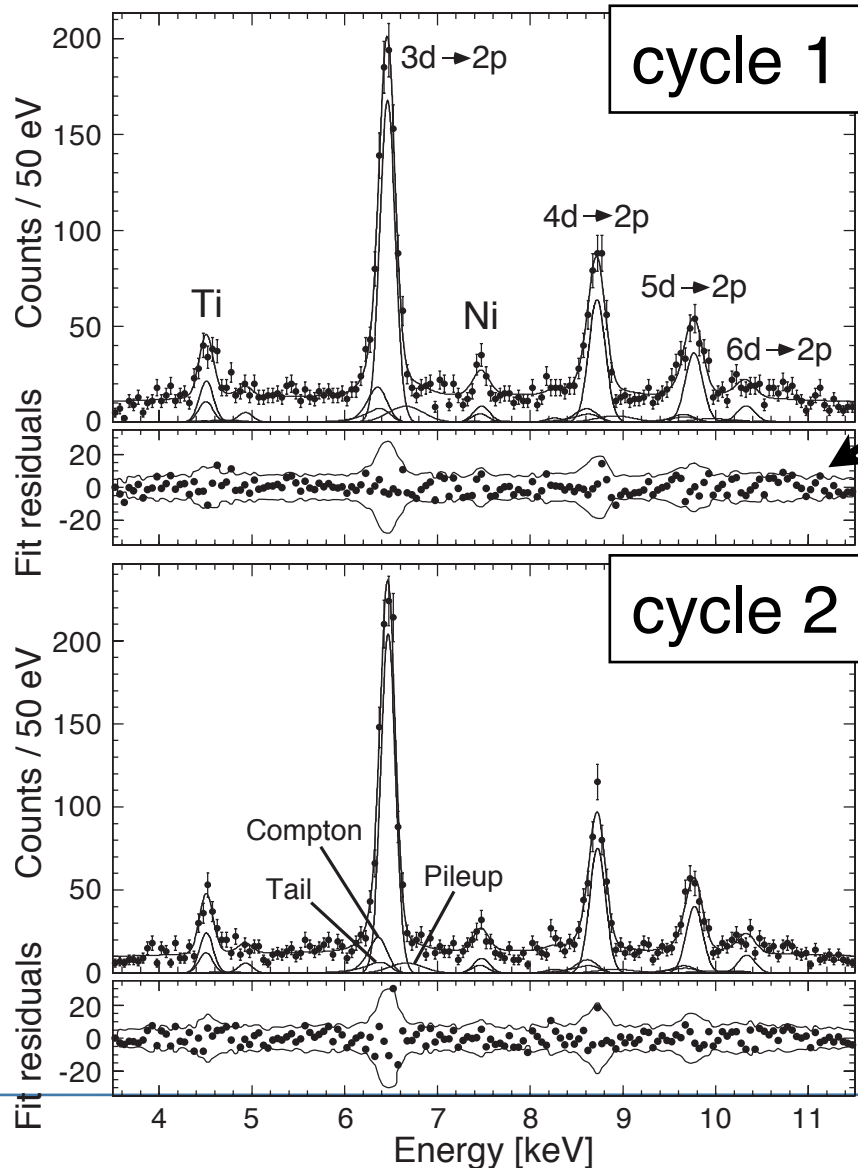
estimated by fitting the high-statistics calibration spectra. (self-triggered events)

Intensity ratio of pileup effect is also estimated by this fitting

# Result

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# Fitting results



Cycle 1 : October 2005

Cycle 2 : December 2005

Thin lines denote the  $\pm 2\sigma$  values of the data.

The fit residuals are within these lines.

- In comparison to the previous exp :
- ✓ 2 times better resolution (185eV@6.4keV)
  - ✓ 2.5 times higher statistics
  - ✓ 10 times better S/N ratio

# 2p-level shift (preliminary)

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Transition energies (with only statistical errors)

	energy [eV]	EM value
3d->2p	6467.0 ± 2.5	6463.5
4d->2p	8723.5 ± 4.6	8721.7
5d->2p	9761.4 ± 7.6	9766.8

-- EM calculation --

\* T.Koike : private communication

\* J.P.Santos et al., Phys. Rev. A 71, 032501 (2005)

using 3d-2p energy

$$\Delta E_{2p} = E_{3d-2p} - E_{3d-2p}^{EM} = 3 \pm 3 \text{ (stat) eV}$$

using all transition energies

$$\Delta E_{2p} = 2 \pm 2 \text{ (stat) eV}$$

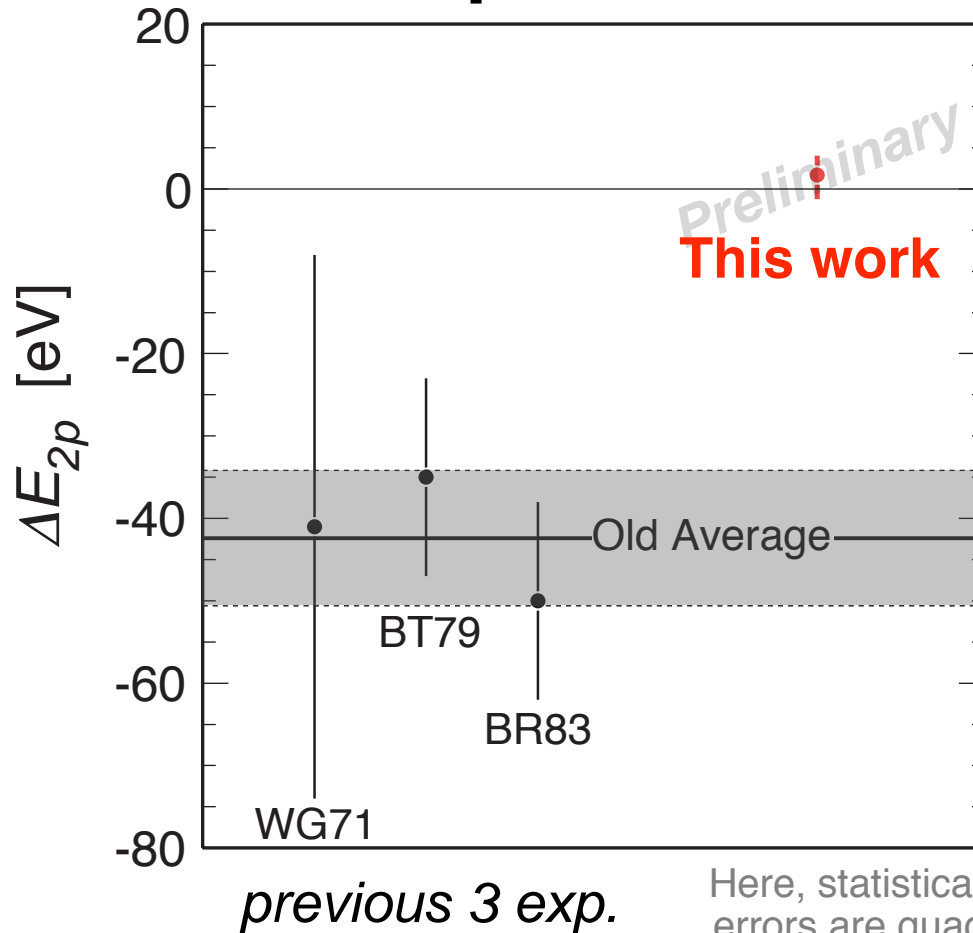
Systematic error is comparable to the statistical error.

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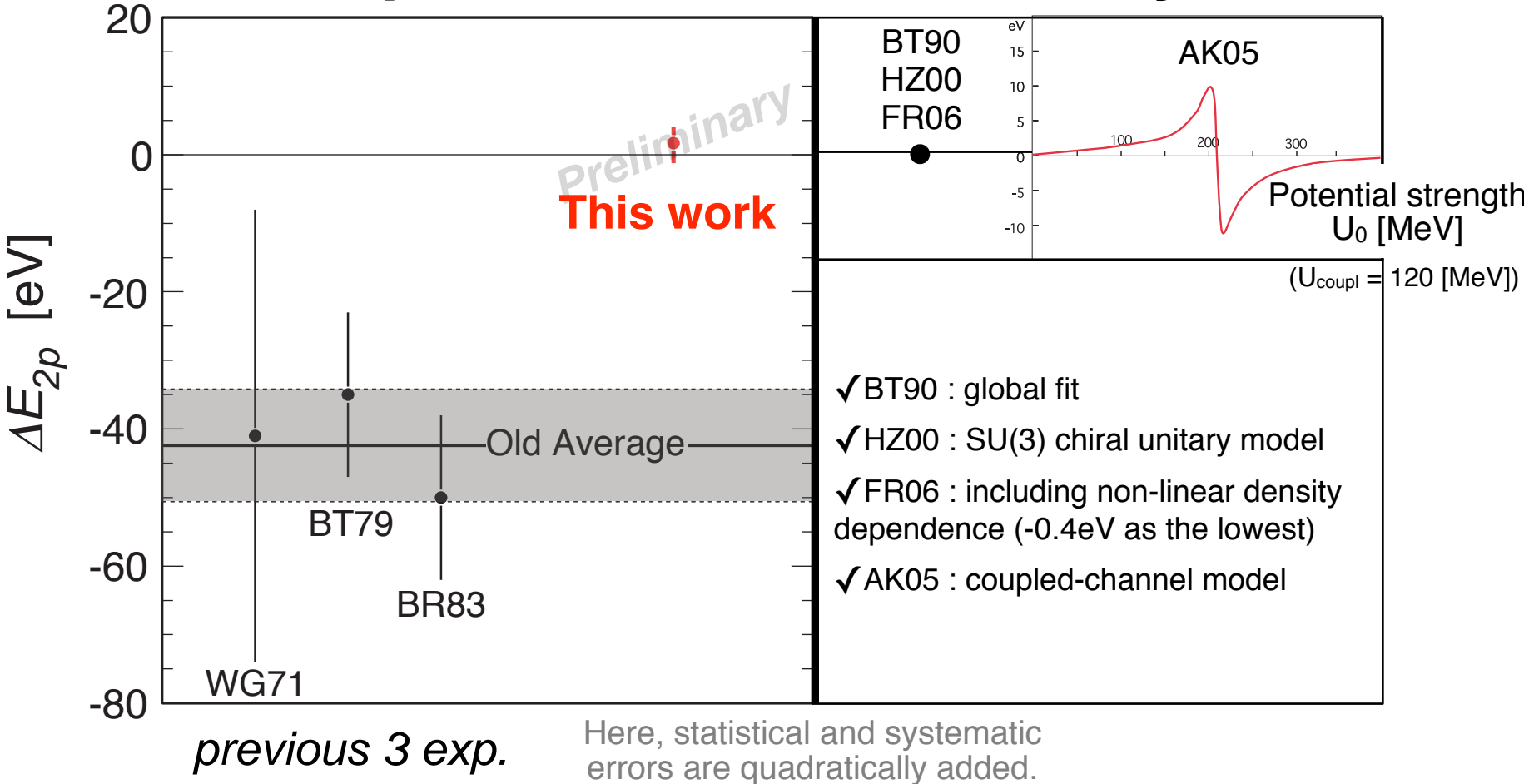


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## Theory



# Summary

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- Precisely measured K-<sup>4</sup>He x-ray spectrum
  - High energy resolution : 185 eV @6.5keV
  - Good S/N ratio : applying stopped-K- event selection
  - Energy calibration was successfully done by using characteristic X-rays from Ti and Ni foils
- 3d-→2p energy :  $E_{3d-2p} = 6467.5 \pm 2.5$  (stat) eV
- Using all transition energies :  $\Delta E_{2p} = 2 \pm 2$  (stat) eV
- Our precise determination of  $\Delta E_{2p}$  resolved the long-standing kaonic helium puzzle.

Now, we are preparing to publish the result.

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# Backup slides

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# Systematic error estimation

## 1) Compton scattering effect

Error from the cross section of bound Compton scattering and Rayleigh scattering in 4He is **only several %**.

(according to EGS4 developers)

--> For  **$\pm 5\%$  change** of the intensity, the energy moves  **$\pm \sim 0.4$  eV**.

## 2) Pileup effect

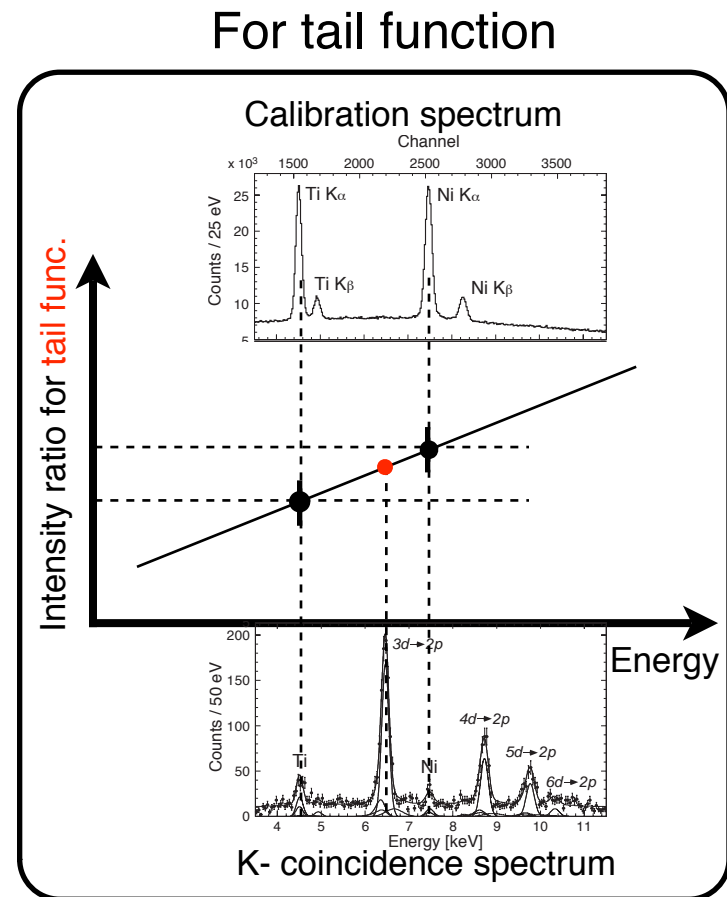
Ambiguity of the intensity-ratio estimation could be **less than  $\pm 10\%$**  according to the FADC analysis.

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## 3) Tail function (SDD response function)

Tail-intensity ratio for KHeX La was estimated by interpolation of ratios for Ti and Ni characteristic x-rays.

--> When we use **intensity ratios for Ti and Ni** to those for kaonic x-ray lines, the energy moves  **$+0.1 / -1.1$  eV**.



# Energy dependent resolution

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$$\Delta E(\text{FWHM}) = 2.35\omega \sqrt{W_N^2 + FE/\omega}$$

E : X-ray energy [eV]

$\omega$  : average energy for electron-hole creation in silicon (3.81eV)

$W_N$  : contribution of noise to the resolution  
(independent of the x-ray energy)

F : Fano factor ( $\sim 0.12$  for silicon)