

The search for deeply-bound kaonic nuclear states at J-PARC

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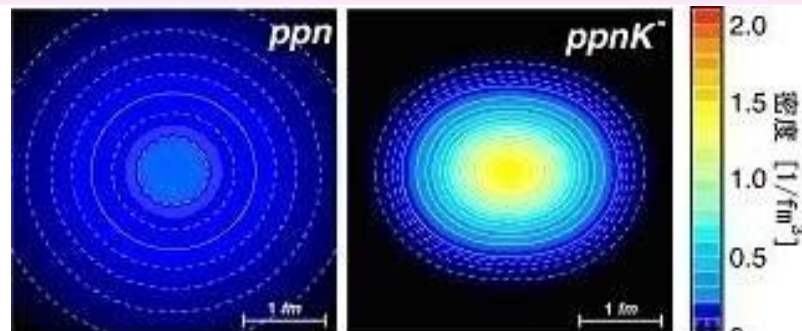
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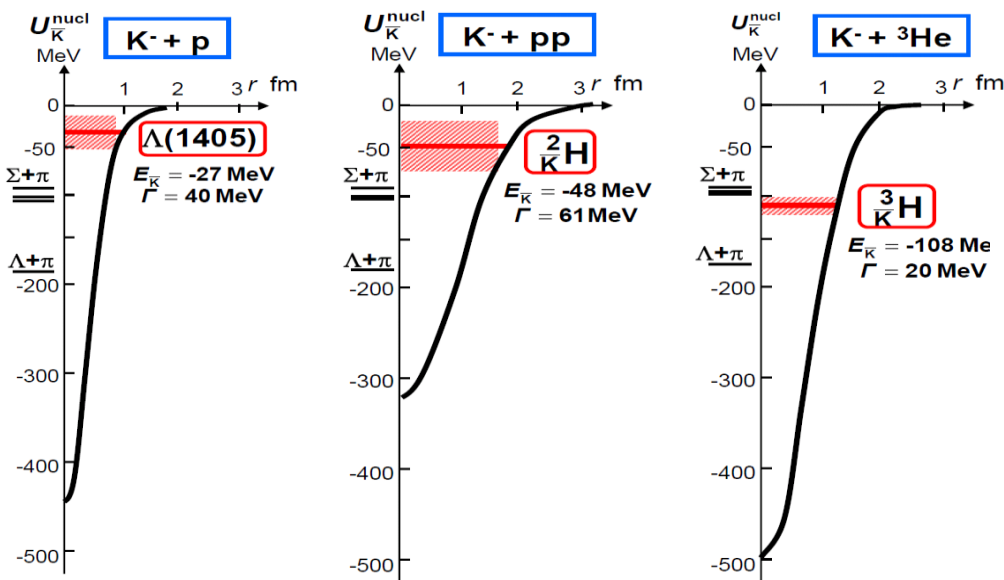
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Physics Motivation

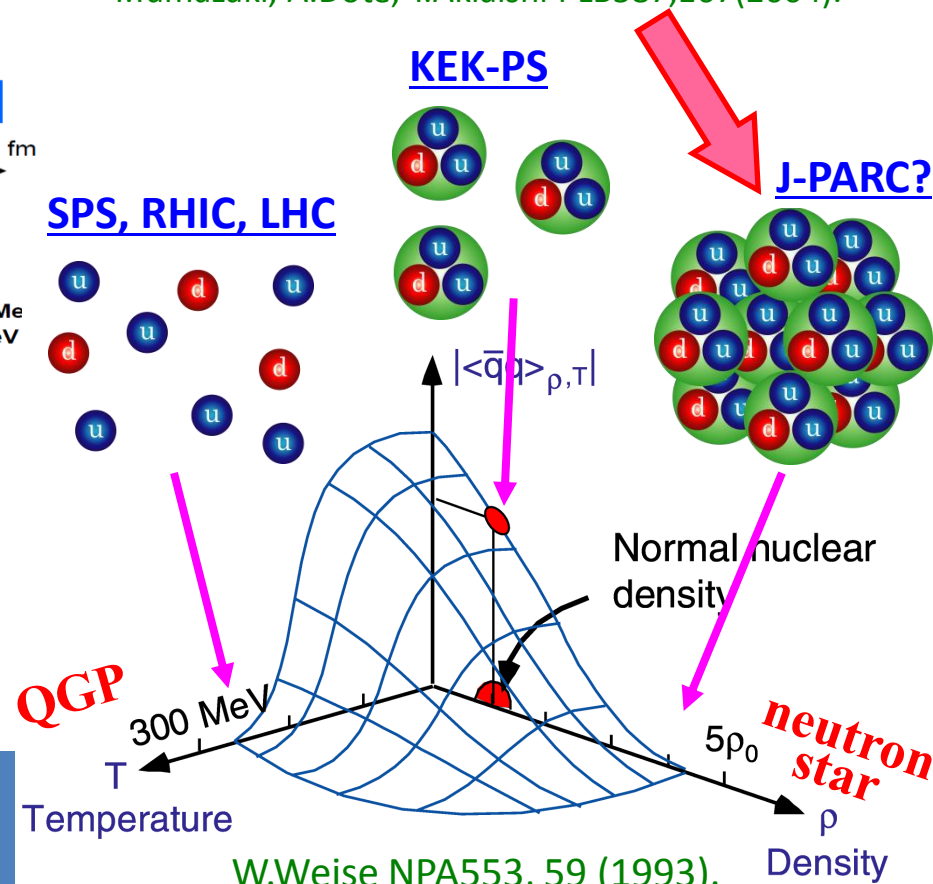
deeply-bound kaonic nuclear states exist?



T.Yamazaki, A.Dote, Y.Akaiishi PLB587,167(2004).



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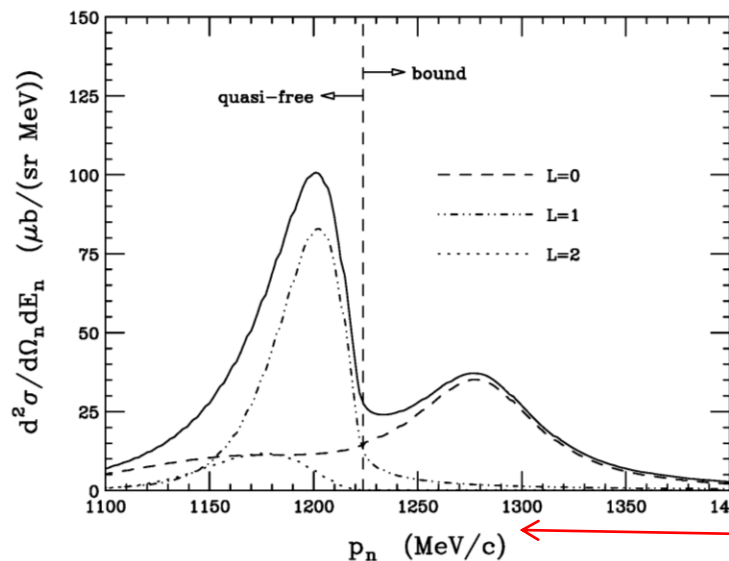
W.Weise NPA553, 59 (1993).

we will open new door to the condensed matter physics

Deeply-Bound Kaonic Nuclei (Theory)

various theoretical predictions for kaonic nuclei, e.g., K -pp

	Method	Binding Energy (MeV)	Width (MeV)
Akaishi, Yamazaki PLB533, 70 (2002).	ATMS	48	61
Ivanov, Kienle, Marton, Widmann nucl-th/0512037	Chiral Lagrangian	118	58 (non-mesonic)
Shevchenko, Gal, Mares PRL98, 082301 (2007).	Faddeev	55-70	90-110
Ikeda, Sato PRC76, 035203 (2007).	Faddeev	79	74
Dote, Hyodo, Weise nucl-th/0802.0238	chiral SU(3)	19+/-3	40-70 ($\pi\Sigma N$ -decay)



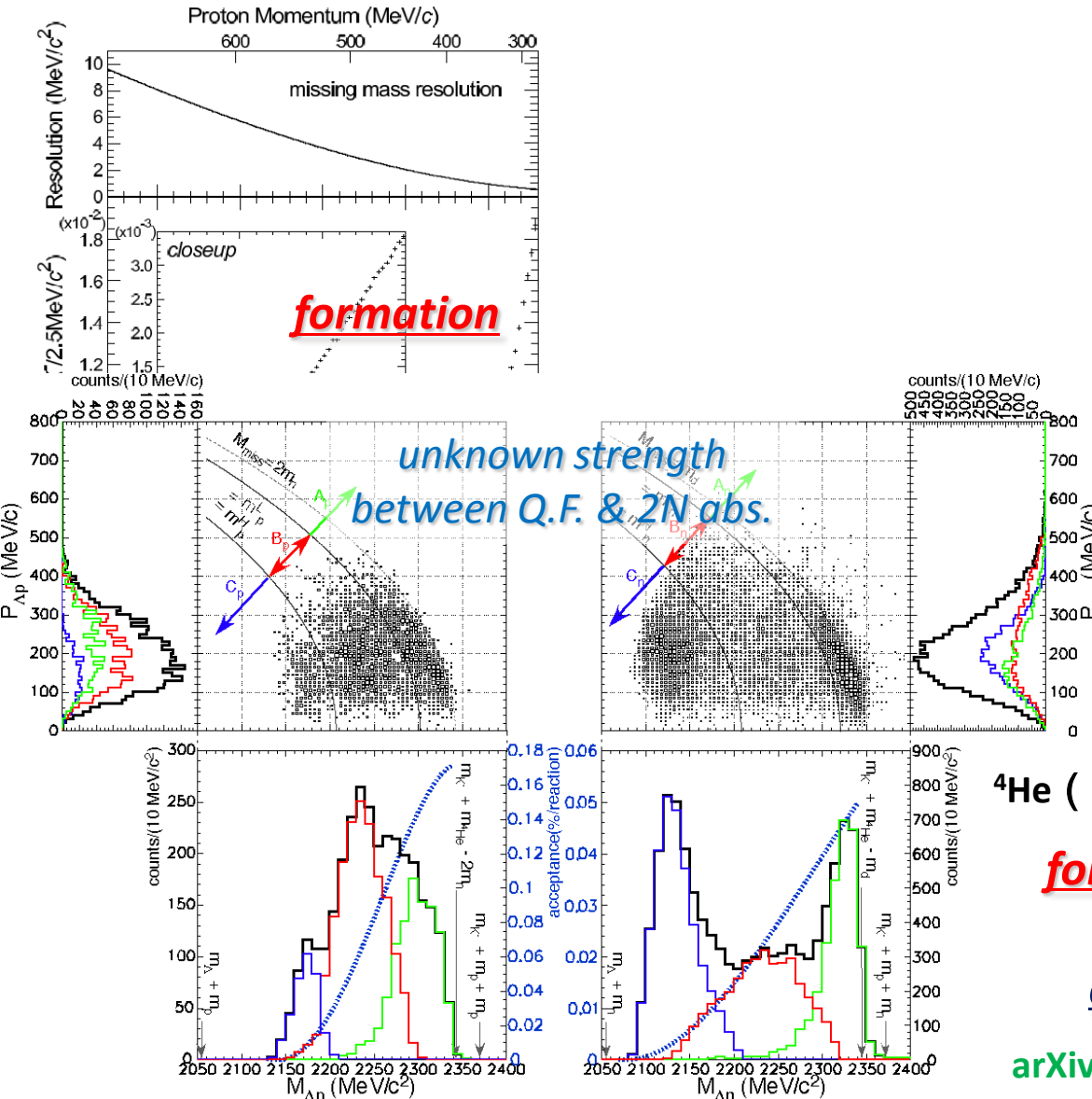
Koike, Harada
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DWIA
 ${}^3\text{He}(K^-, n)$

- whether the binding energy is *deep* or *shallow*
- how *broad* is the width ?

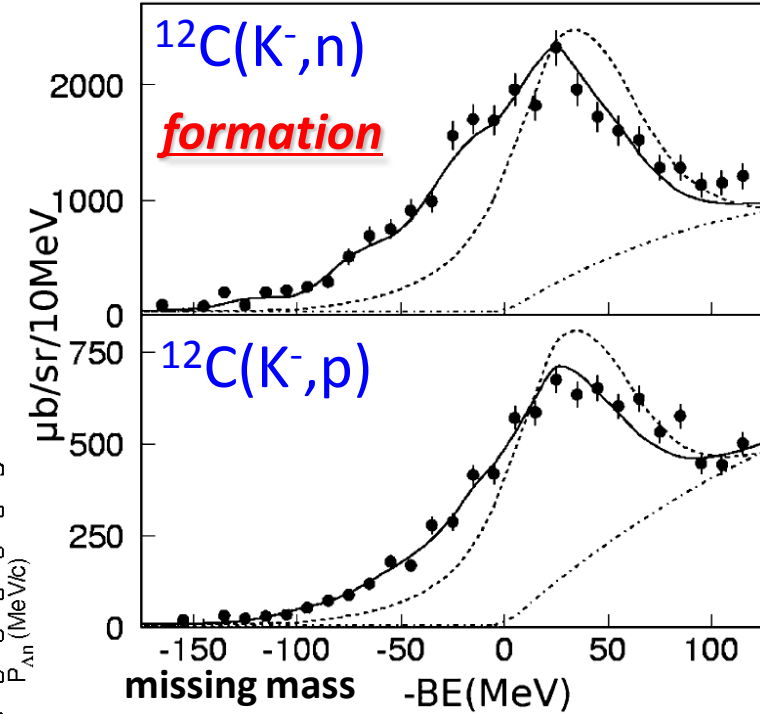
Deeply-Bound Kaonic Nuclei (Experiment)

E549@KEK-PS

^4He (stopped K-,p)



E548@KEK-PS



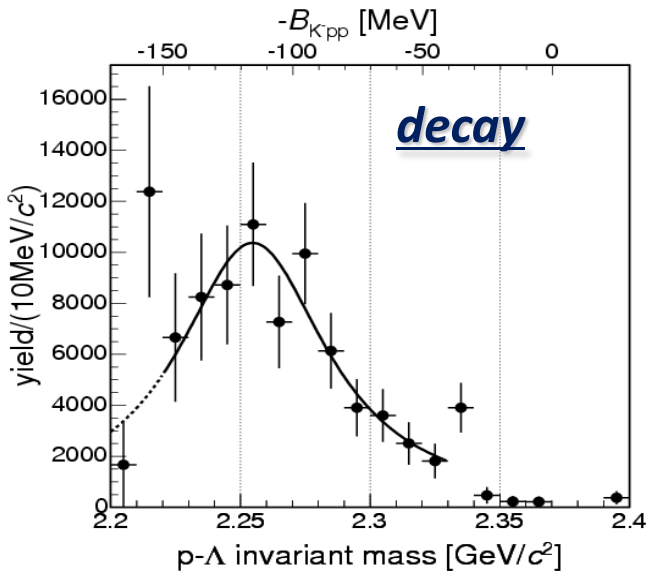
Prog.Theor.Phys.118:181-186,2007.

^4He (stopped K-, ΛN) *deep \bar{K} -nucleus potential of $\sim 200\text{MeV}$*

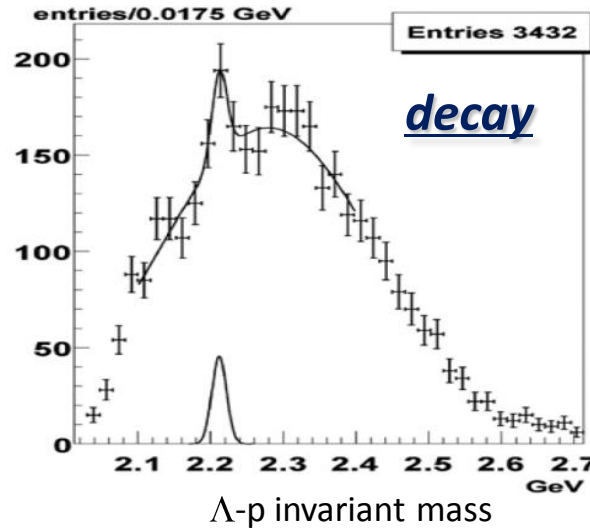
formation
&
decay

arXiv:0711.4943

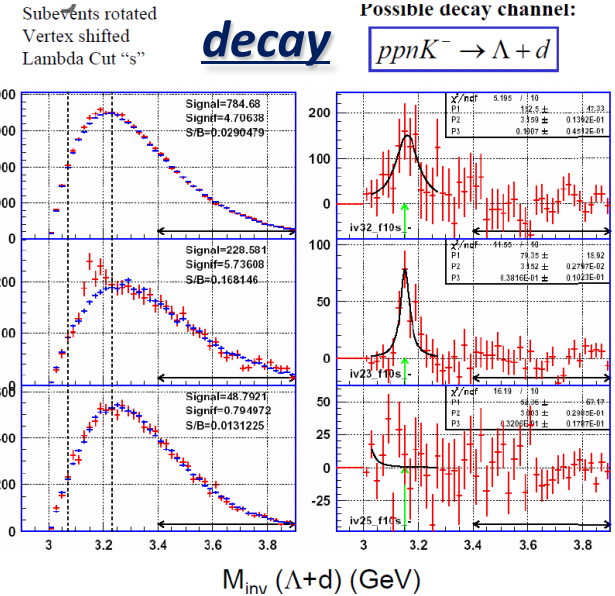
Deeply-Bound Kaonic Nuclei (Experiment)



FINUDA@DAΦNE
PRL, 94, 212303 (2005)



OBELIX@CERN-LEAR
NP, A789, 222 (2007)
signature of kaonic nuclei



FOPI@GSI

each experiment measures only formation or decay
(except for E549 experiment)

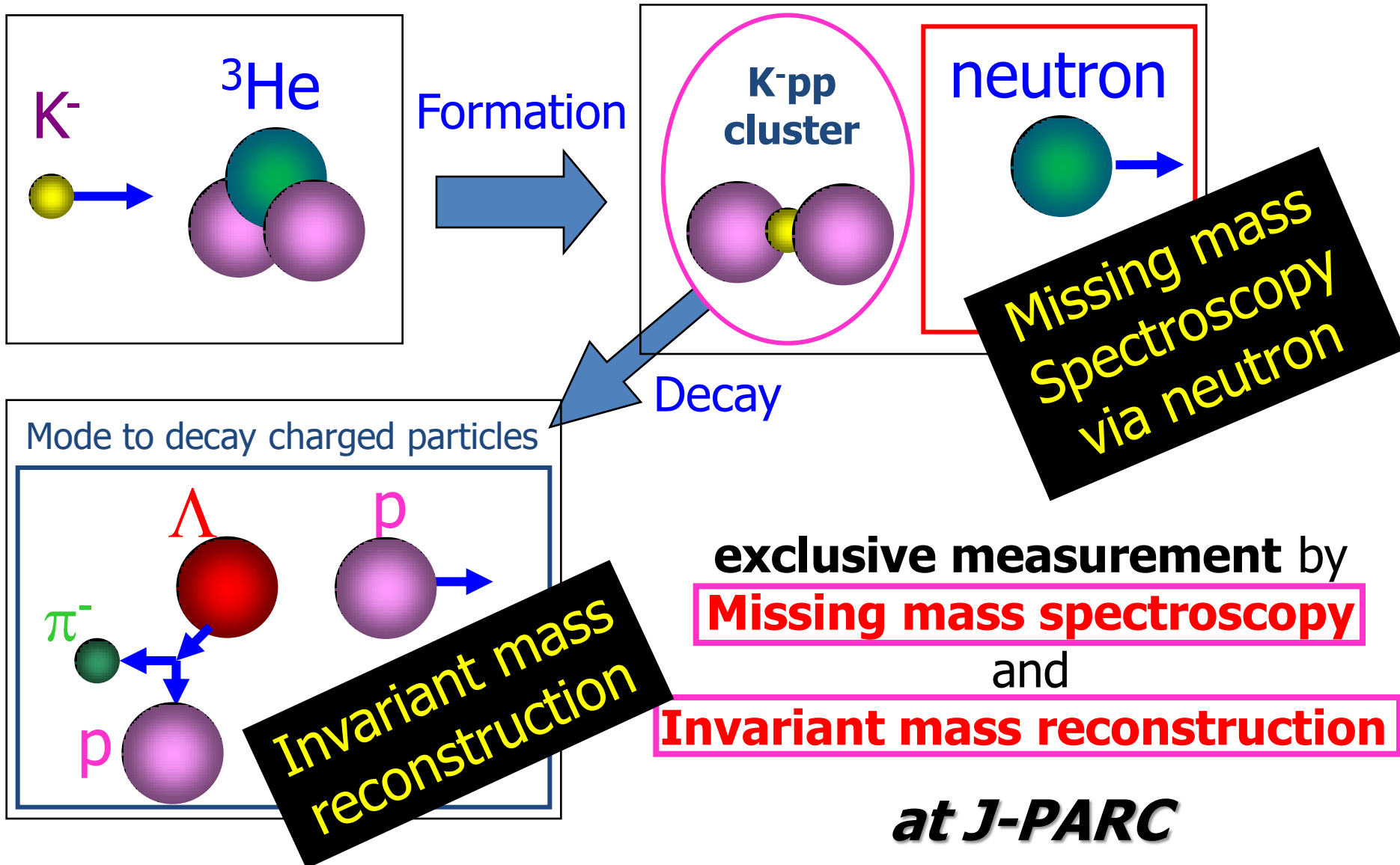
the situation is still controversial !!!

We need conclusive evidence with
observation of formation and decay !

J-PARC E15 Experiment

Experimental Principle

search for K-pp bound state using ${}^3\text{He}(K^-,n)$ reaction



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Bird's eye photo on Feb. 2008

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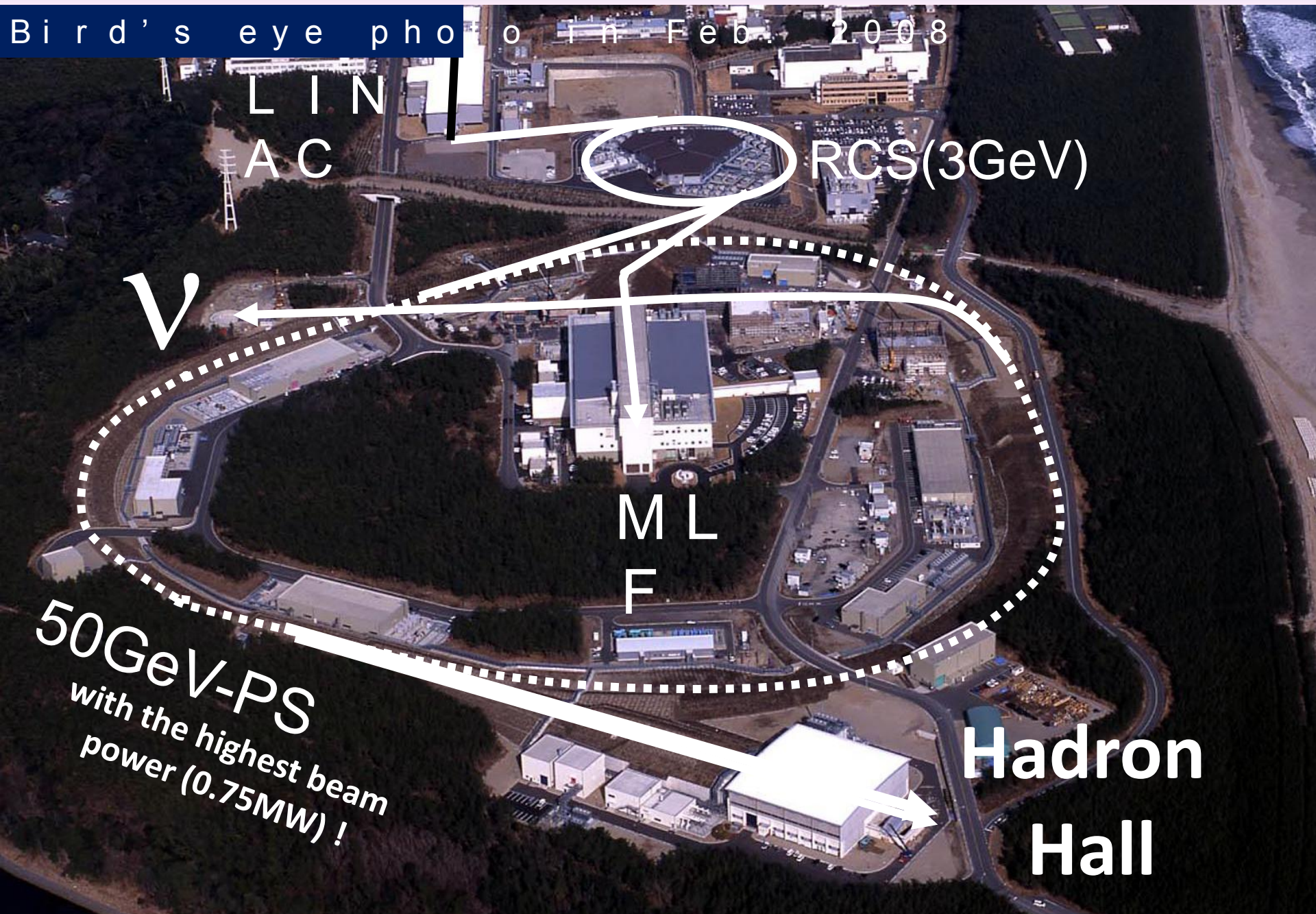
RCS(3GeV)

MLF

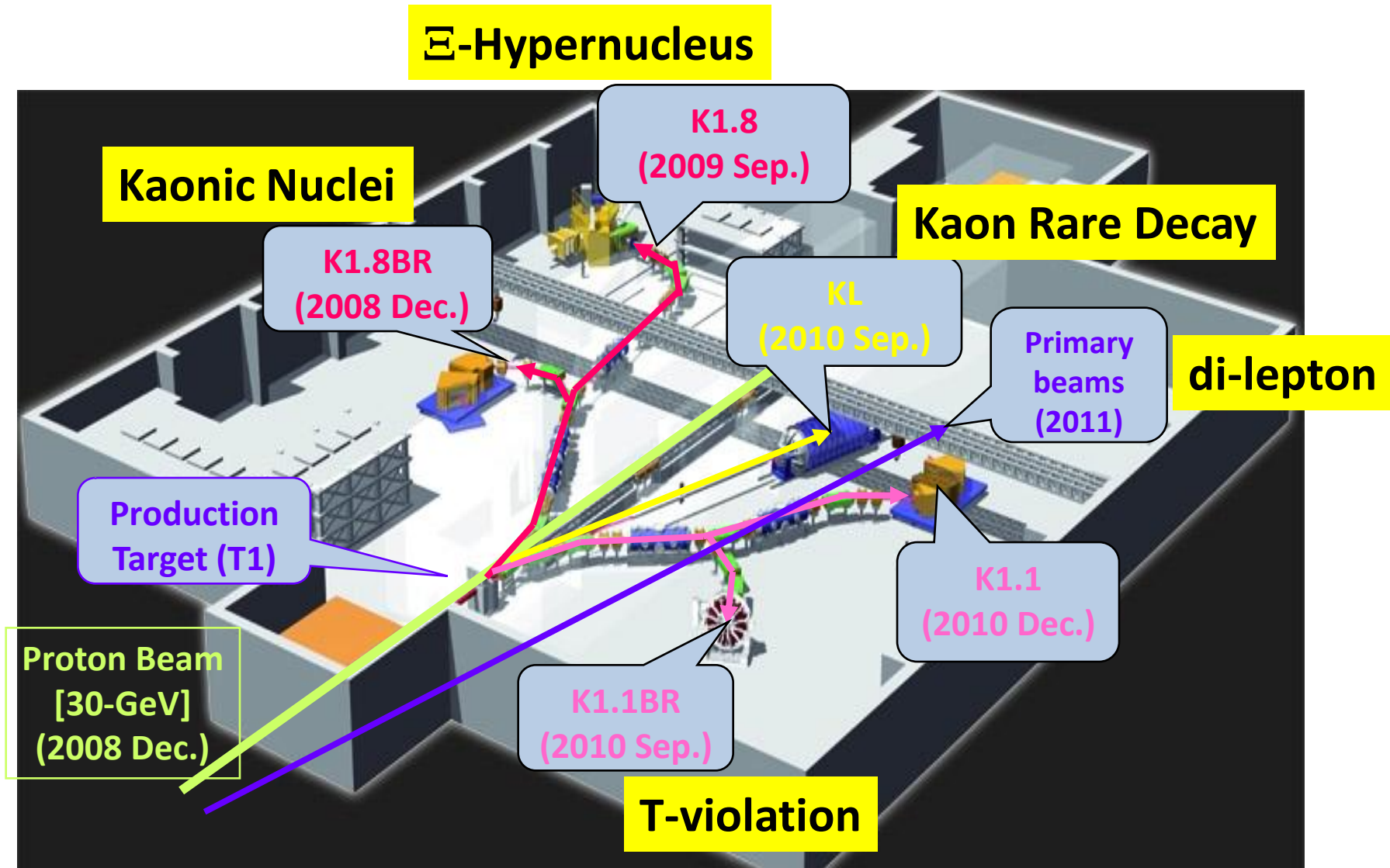
Hadron Hall

50GeV-PS
with the highest beam
power (0.75MW)!

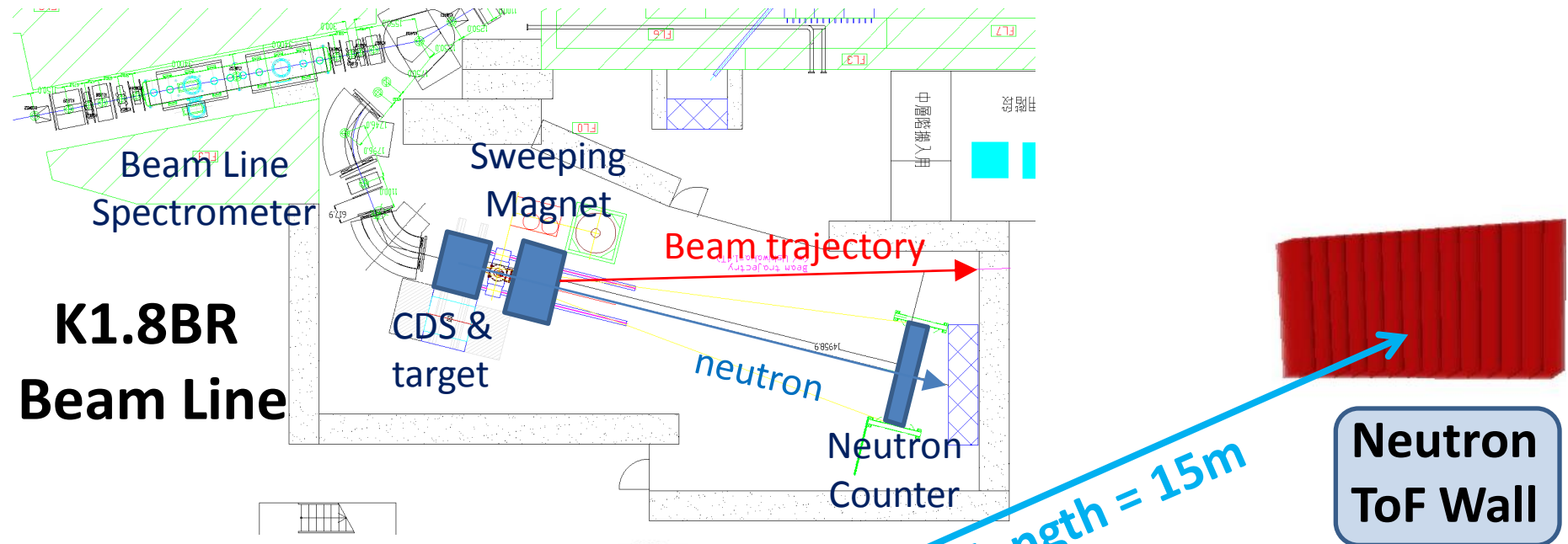
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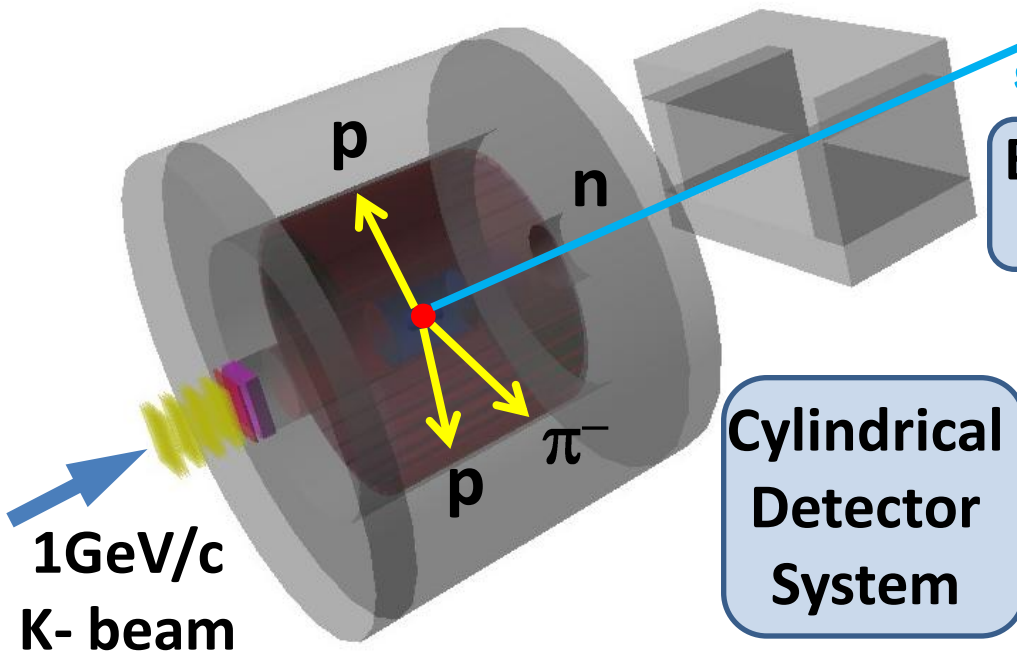
Hadron Experimental Hall @ J-PARC



J-PARC E15 Setup



**K1.8BR
Beam Line**



mass resolution for K-pp

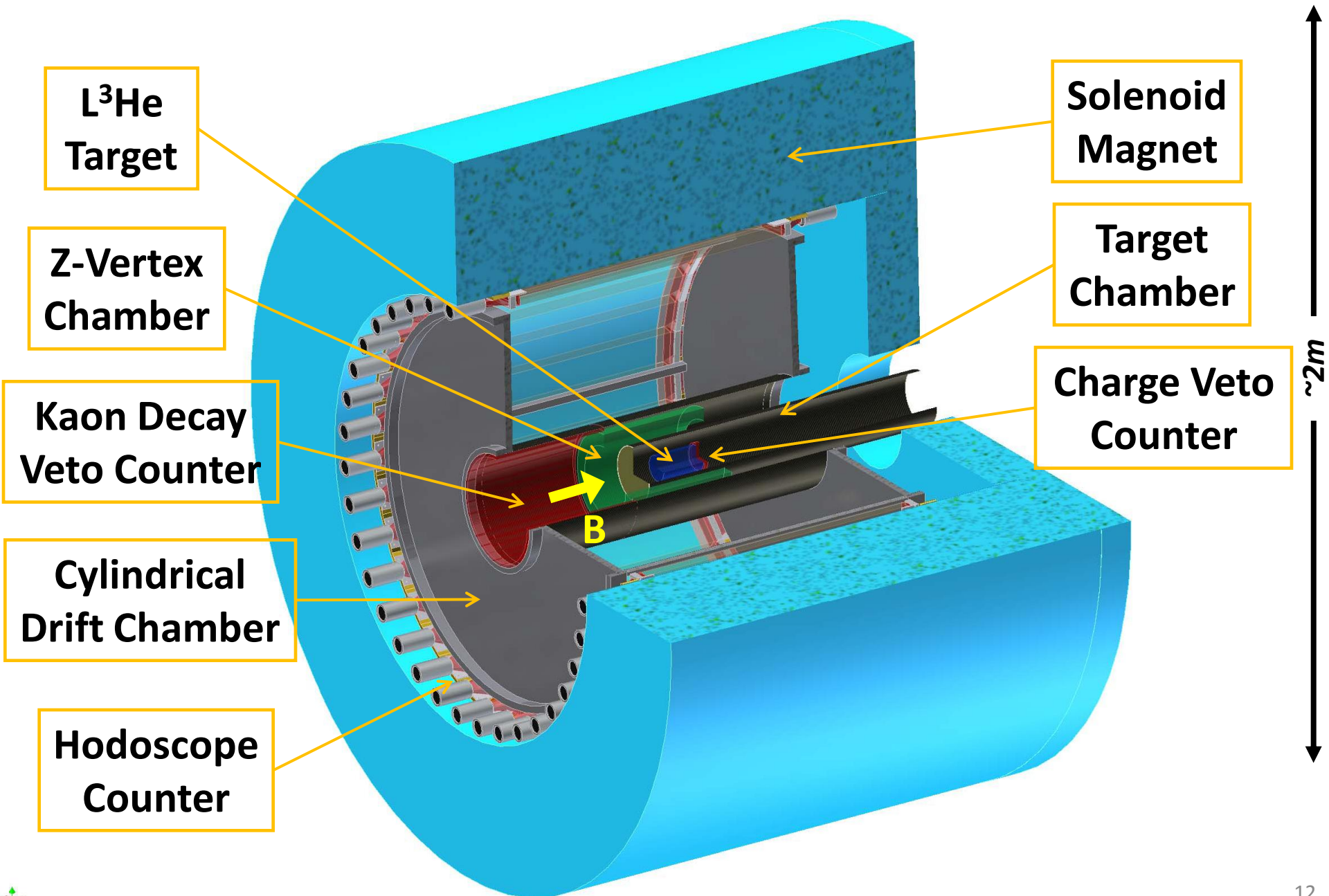
invariant mass

$$\sigma = 19\text{MeV}/c^2 \quad (\sigma_{\text{CDC}} = 250\mu\text{m})$$

missing mass (for 1.3GeV/c neutron)

$$\sigma = 9.2\text{MeV}/c^2 \quad (\sigma_{\text{ToF}} = 150\text{ps})$$

Cylindrical Detector System (CDS)

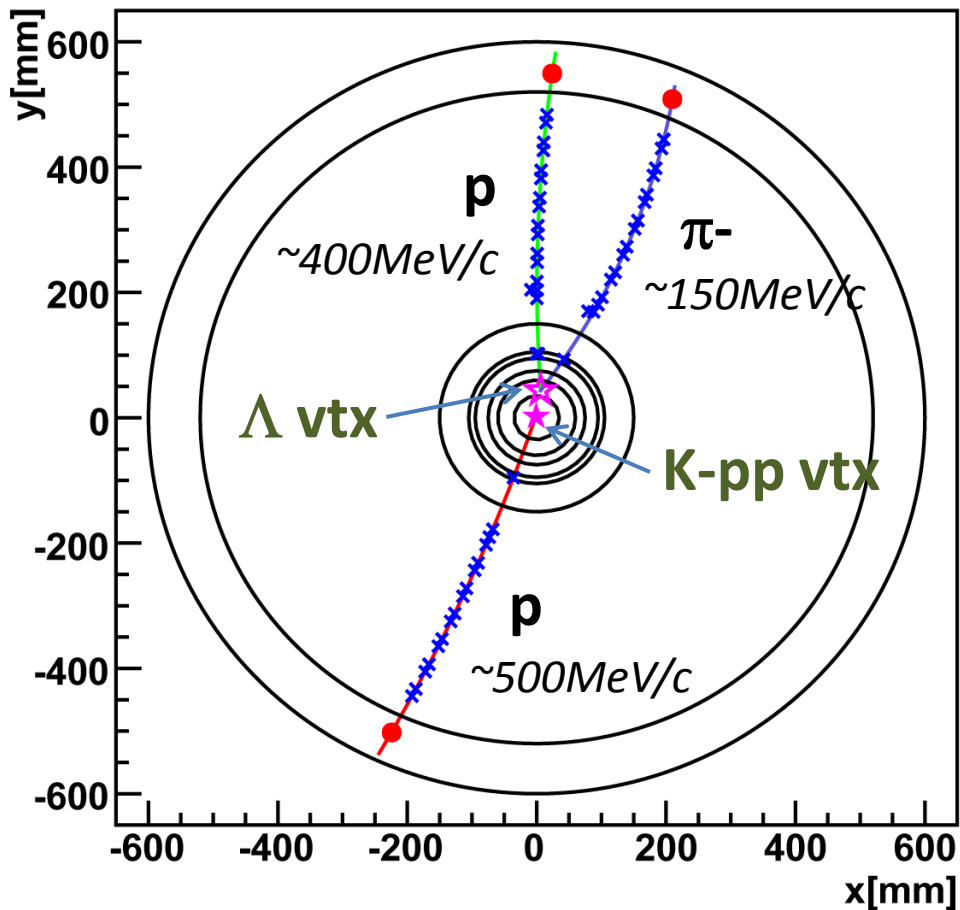


Expected Kinematics for K-pp Decay

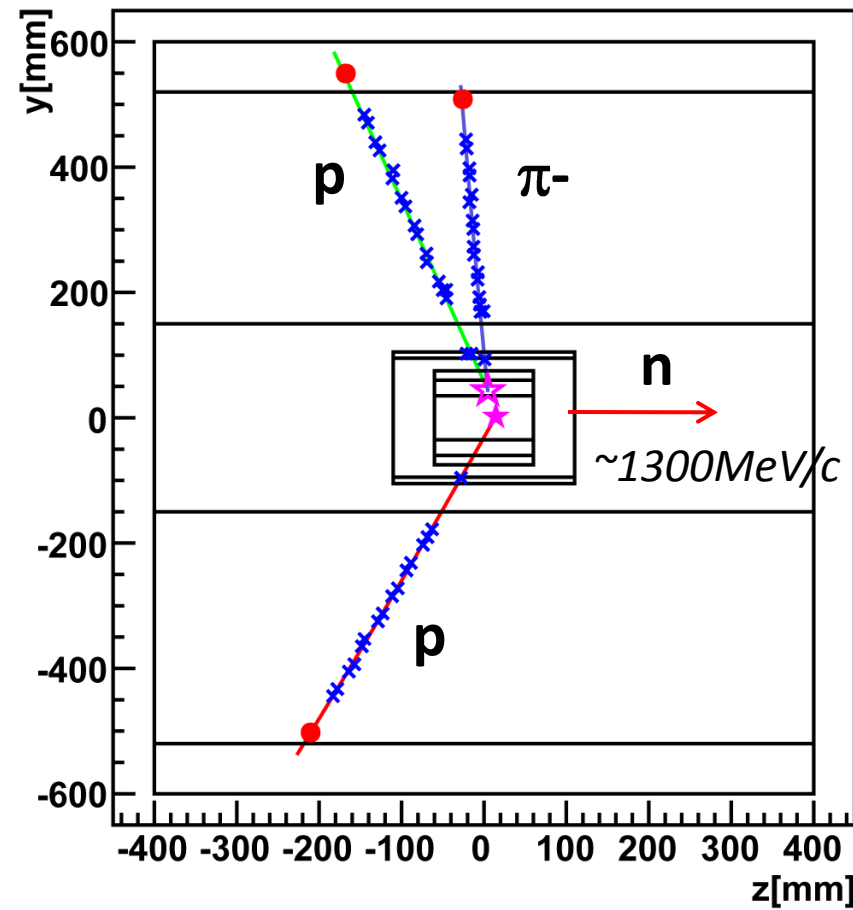
- binding energy = $100\text{MeV}/c^2$
- Isotropic decay of K-pp
- with forward neutron

Calculated using Geant4

CDS xy-plane



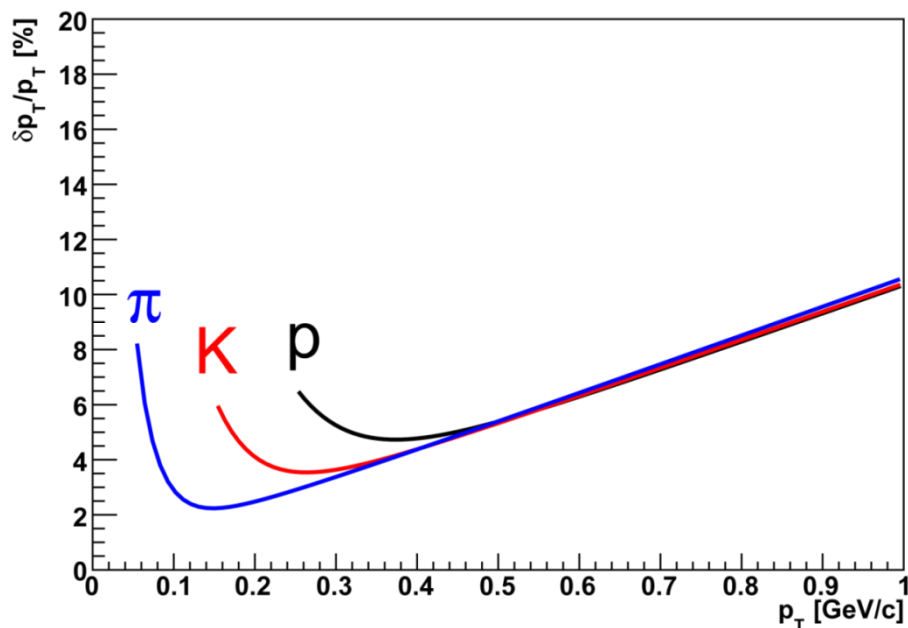
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Expected Spectrometer Performance

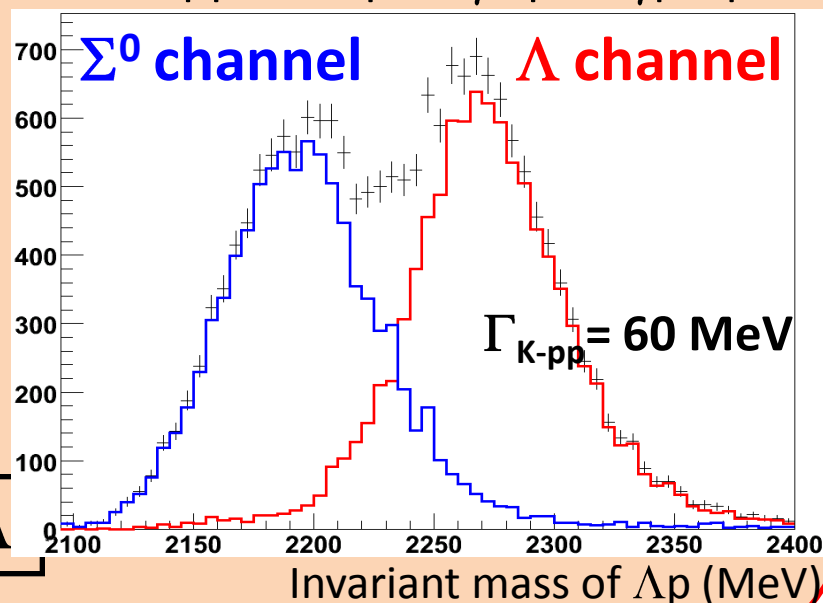
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momentum resolution for π , K , p



we can distinguish the two non-mesonic decay modes for K -pp

- K -pp $\rightarrow \Lambda p \rightarrow p\pi$ -p
- K -pp $\rightarrow \Sigma^0 p \rightarrow \gamma \Lambda p \rightarrow \gamma p\pi$ -p



invariant mass resolution for K -pp and Λ

mass resolution	K -pp $\rightarrow \Lambda p$	$\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi$
w/o chamber-resolution	5.8 MeV/c ²	1.6 MeV/c ²
w/ chamber-resolution	18.7 MeV/c ²	2.5 MeV/c ²

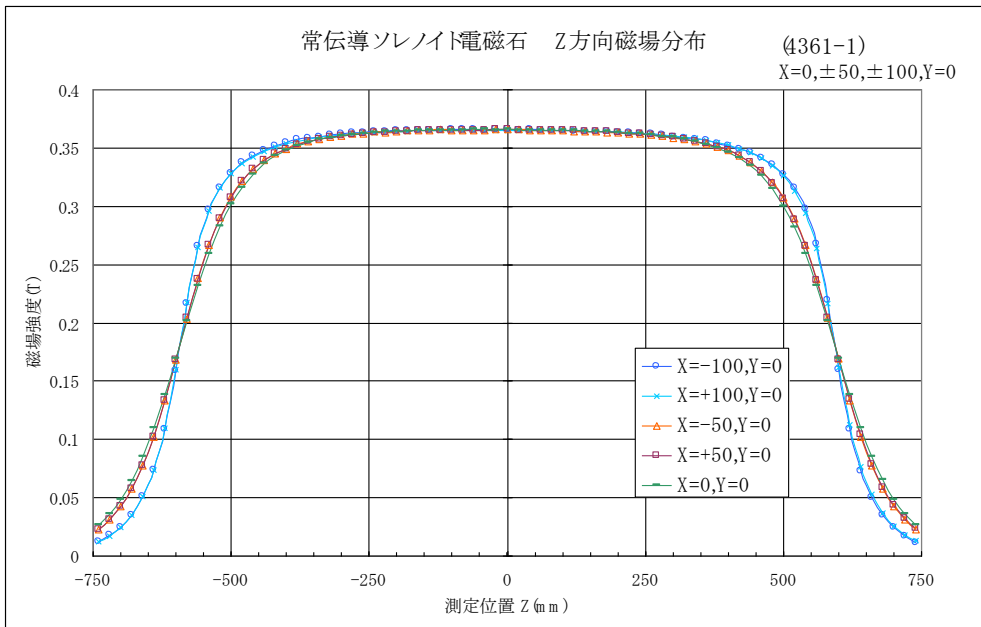
Preparation Status

Solenoid Magnet

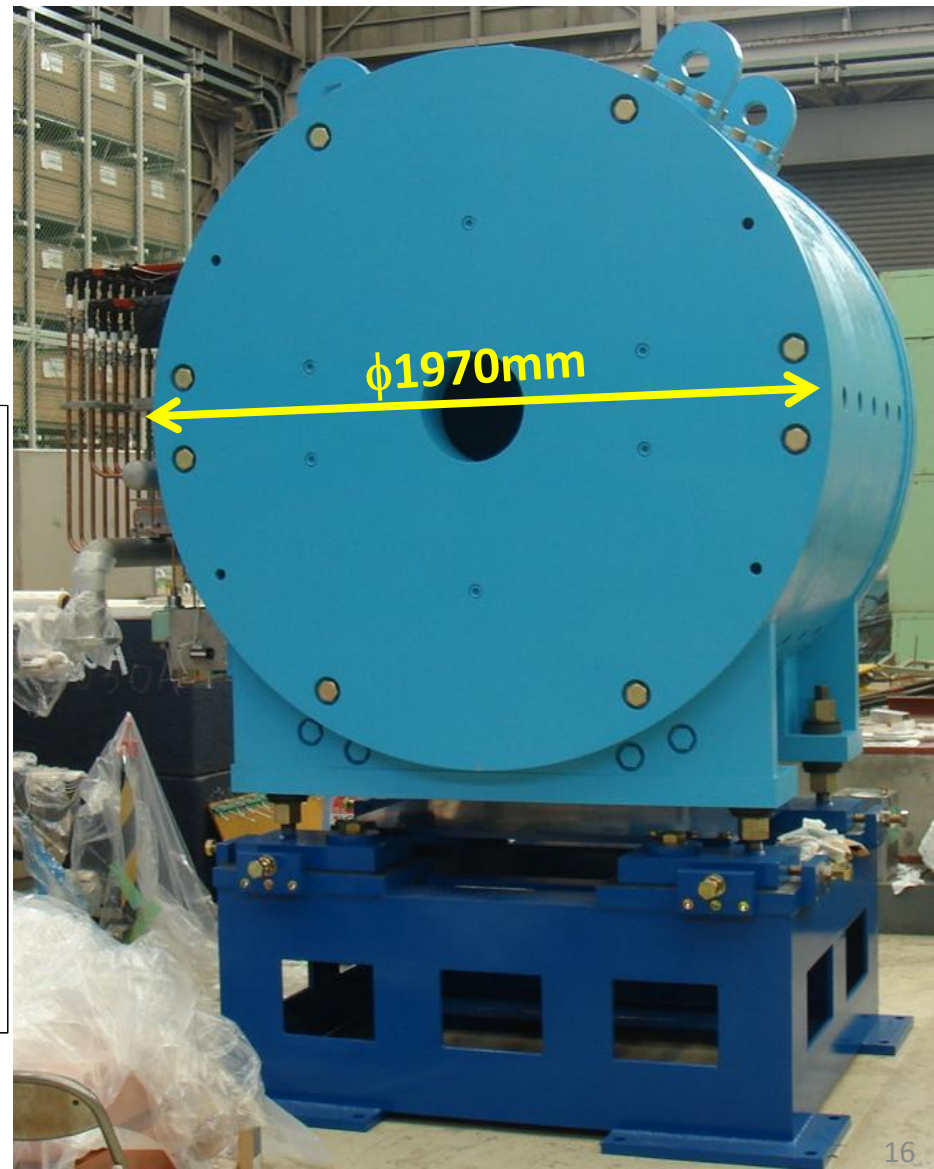
Solenoid magnet for E15 experiment has been constructed.

- Field strength: upto 0.7T
- Space inside : $\Phi=1.2\text{m}$, $L=1.2\text{m}$
- weight : 23 t

magnetic field map

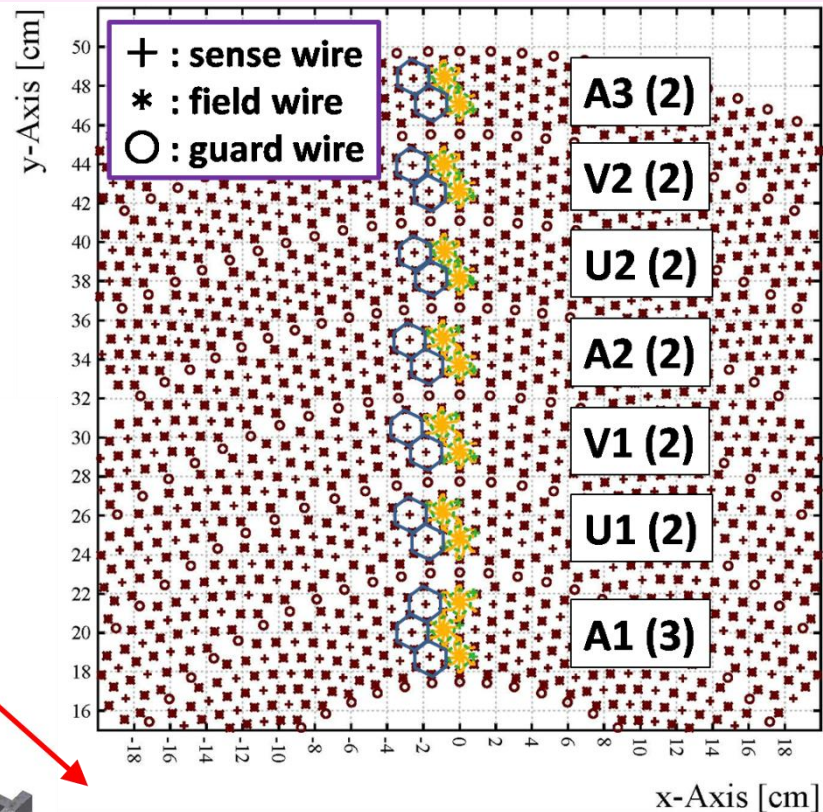
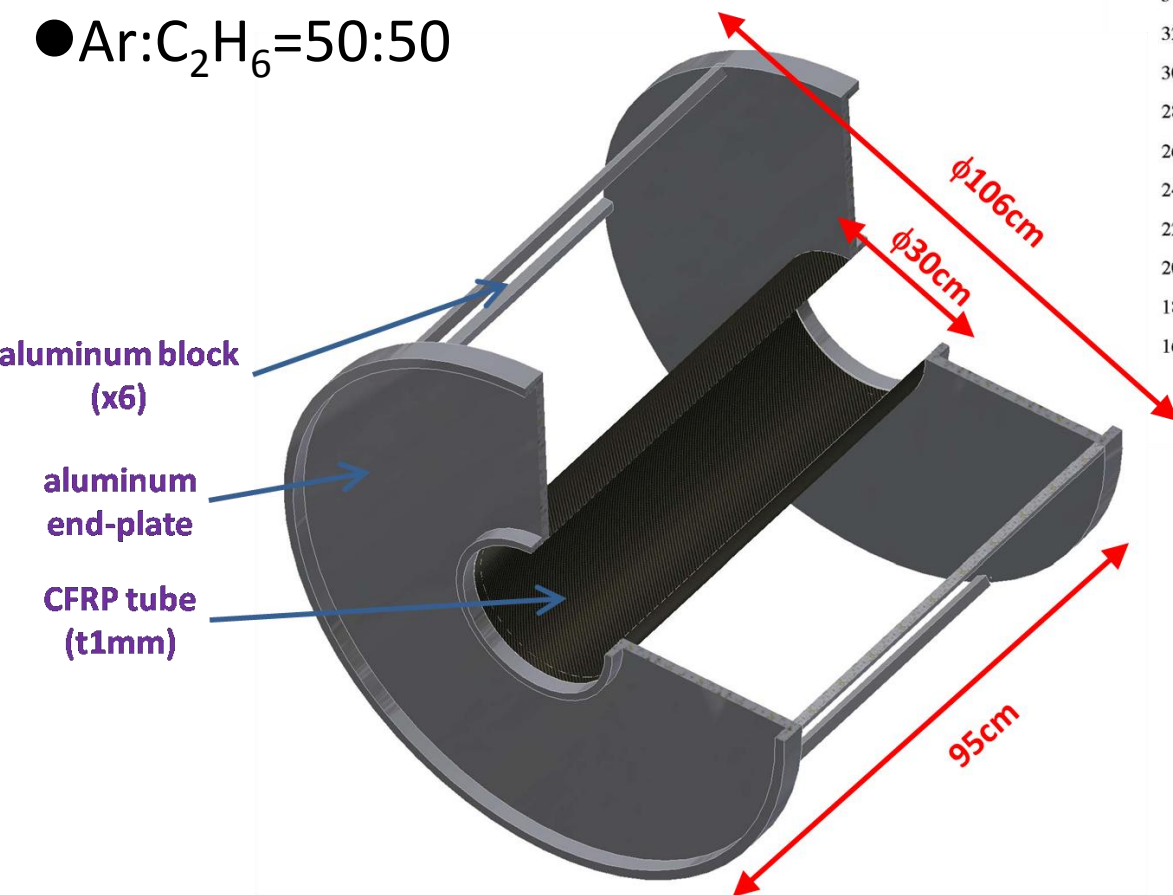


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beam direction



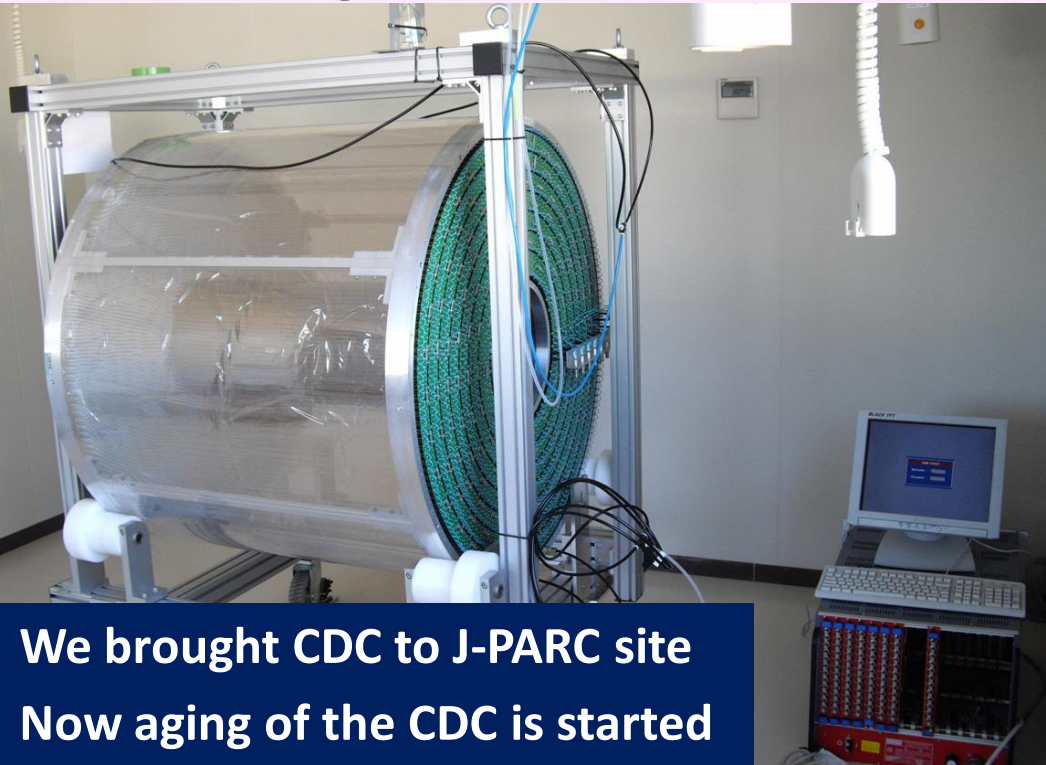
Cylindrical Drift Chamber (CDC)

- made of Aluminum and CFRP
- # of wires : 8136
(read-out : 1816ch)
- solid angle = 2.6π
- Ar:C₂H₆=50:50



- hexagonal cell
(drift length $\sim 9\text{mm}$)
- 15 layers
($r = 19.05 \sim 48.45\text{cm}$)
- 7 super layers
(AUVAUVA)

Cylindrical Drift Chamber (CDC)

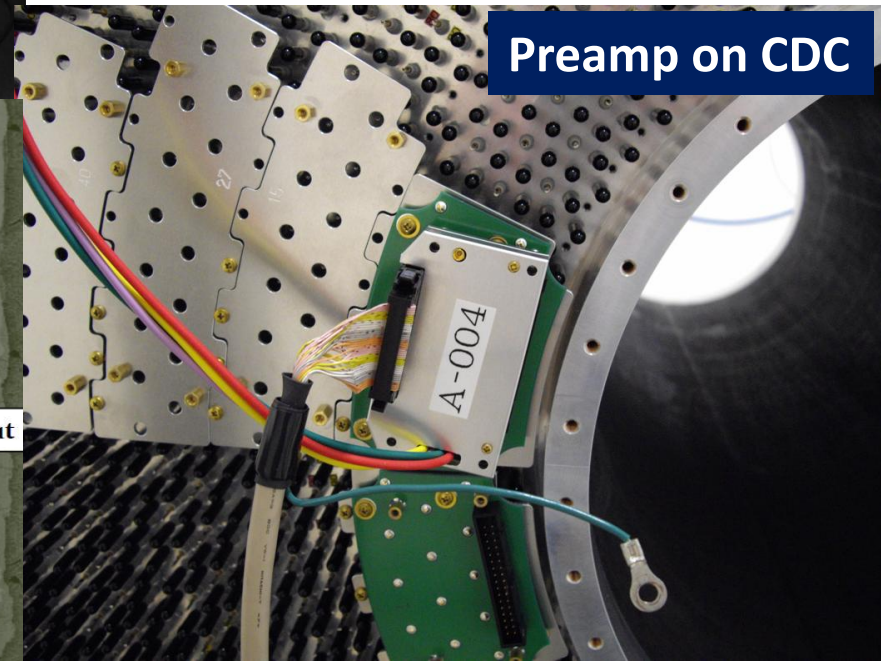
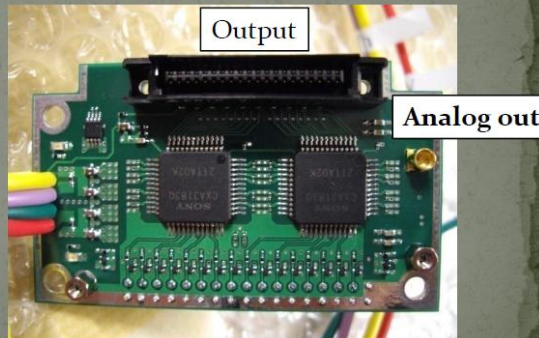
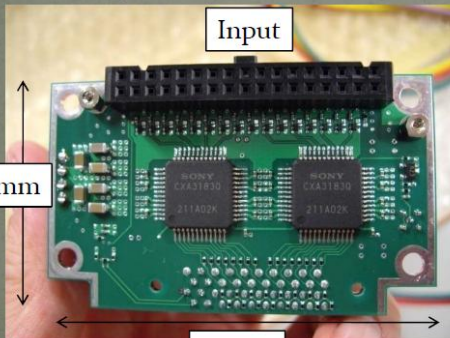


Now the CDC commissioning is started at J-PARC

We brought CDC to J-PARC site
Now aging of the CDC is started

- Chip : CXA3183Q (SONY, low noise ASD IC, $\tau=16\text{nsec}$)
- +3V 0.37A
- -3V 0.13A
- Output : LVDS differential

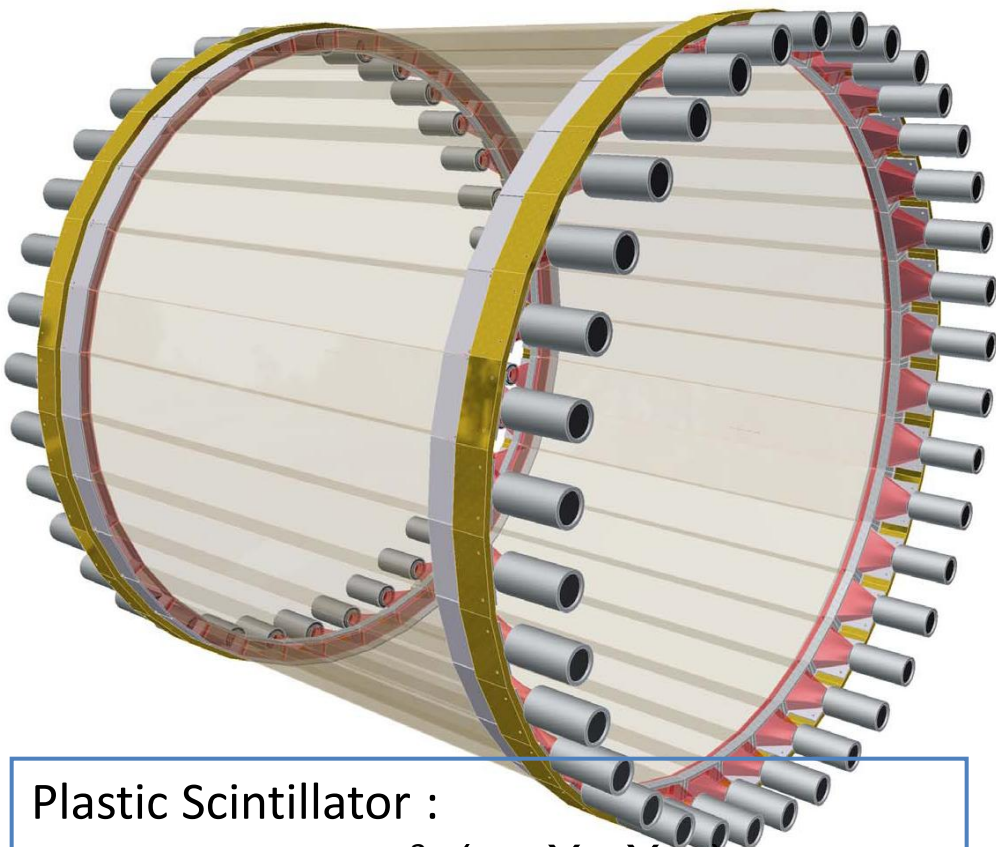
Pre-Amp Prototype



Preamp on CDC

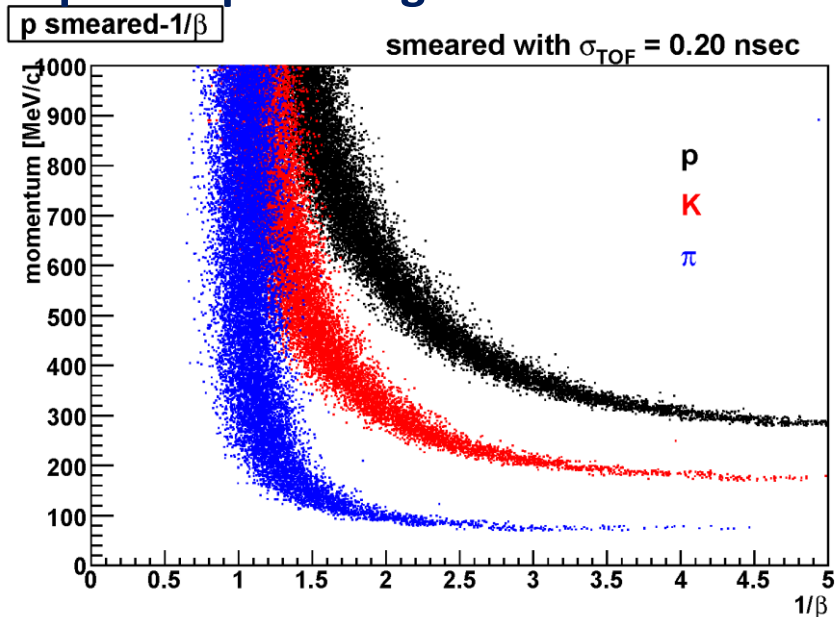
Hodoscope Counter (CDH)

CDH is used for the charged trigger and particle identification.



Plastic Scintillator :
99x30x700 mm³ (W X T X L)
Configuration : 36 modules
PMT: Hamamatsu H8409 (fine mesh) x 72
 $\sigma_{\text{int}} = 76\text{psec}$

expected pID using ToF measurements



Sep. 11, 2008

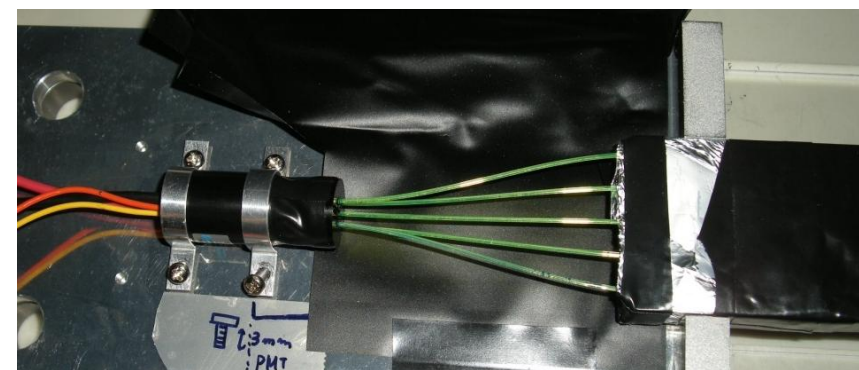
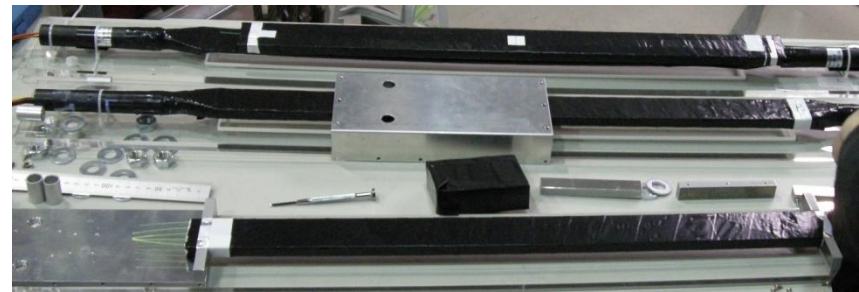
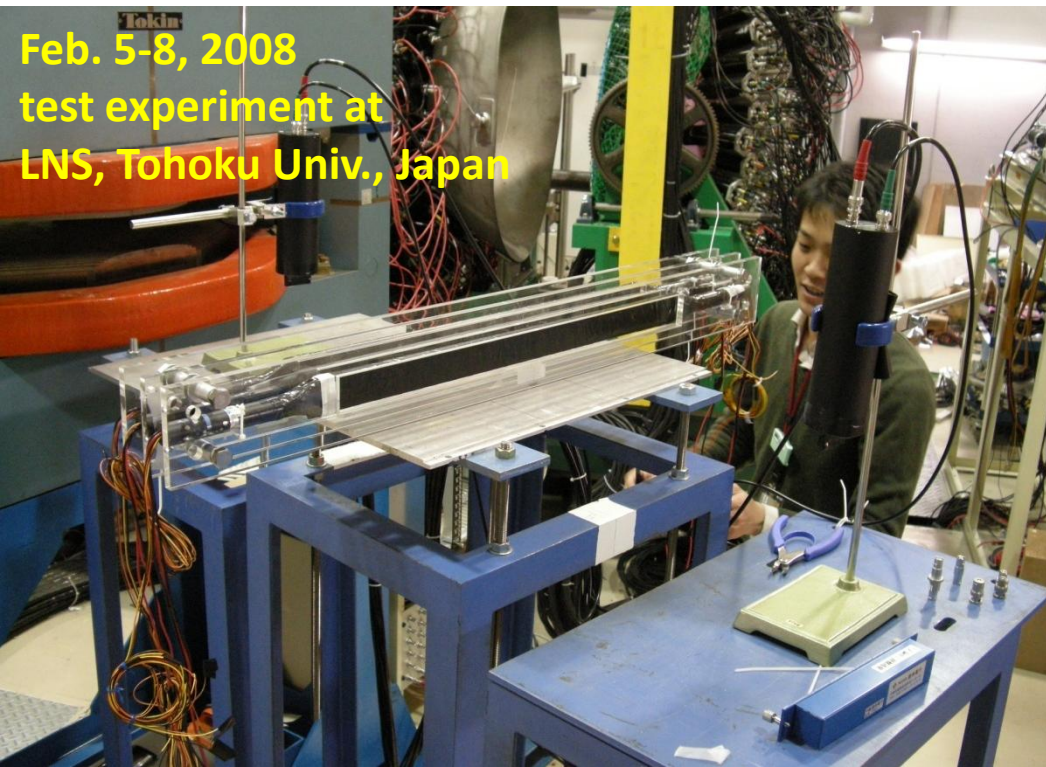
½ CDH system was mounted
inside the Solenoid Magnet

the complete CDH system will be installed by the end of 2008

Kaon Decay Veto Counter

- reduce fake triggers caused by decay of K- beam
- requirements for the detector
 - inside CDC & magnetic field
 - small and compact

plastic scintillators embedded with wavelength shifting (WLS) fibers are in progress



Liquid ^3He Target System



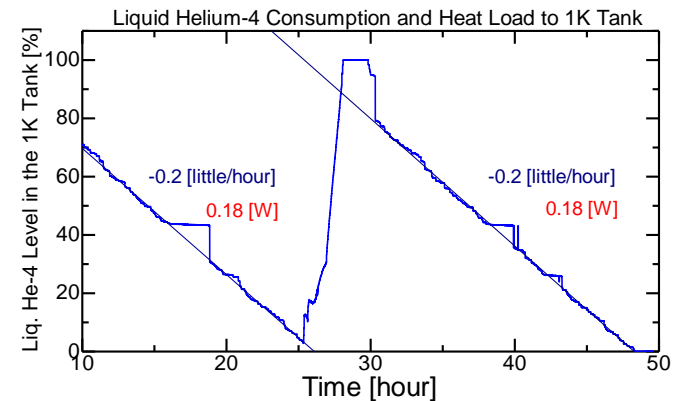
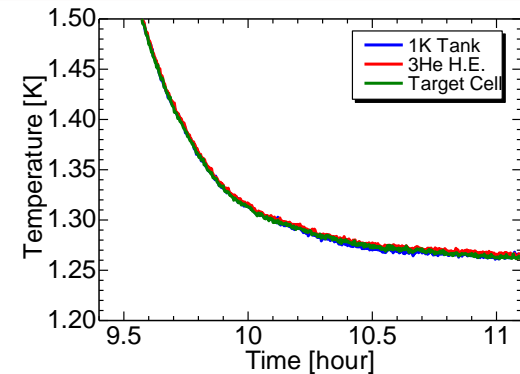
^3He liquefied system is completed by the end of **this year**



The x-ray detection device will be installed in the target **next year**

E17 (kaonic ^3He X-ray) will be ready in Apr. 2009
(First experiment @J-PARC Hadron-Hall)

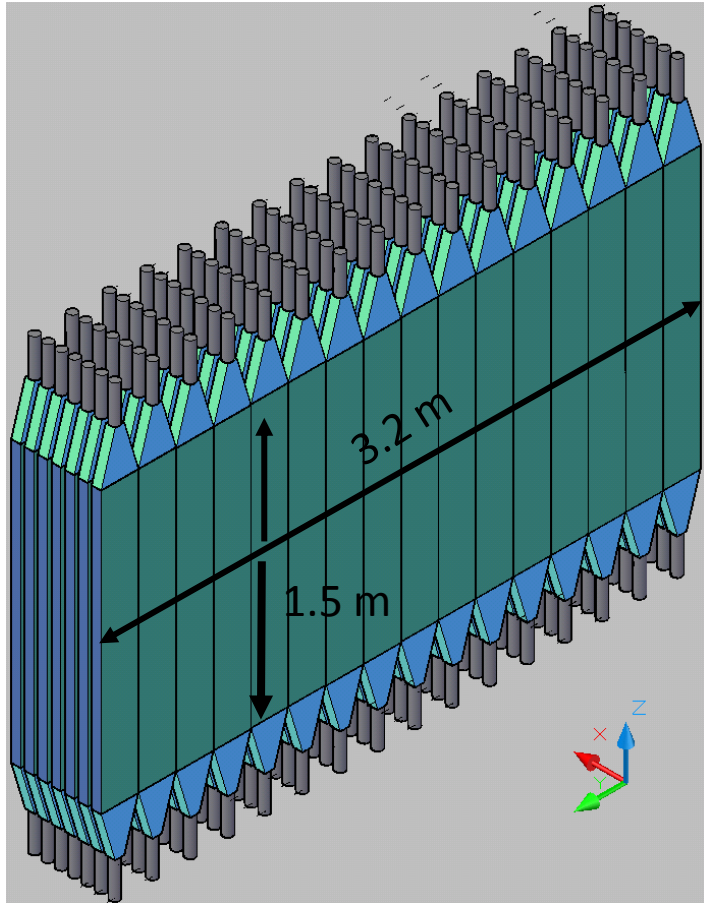
Cooling test with ^4He gas



Temperature of the Target Cell	1.25 K
Temperature of the 1K Tank	1.24 K
Pressure in the 1K Tank	1.2 Torr
Liq. ^4He Consumption	45 L/day
Heat Load of the 1K Tank	0.18 W

Neutron Counter

same neutron counter used for KEK-PS E549 experiment



20x5x150 cm³ Plastic Scintillator
Configuration : 16 (wide) x 7 (depth)
Surface area : 3.2m X 1.5m

rearrange

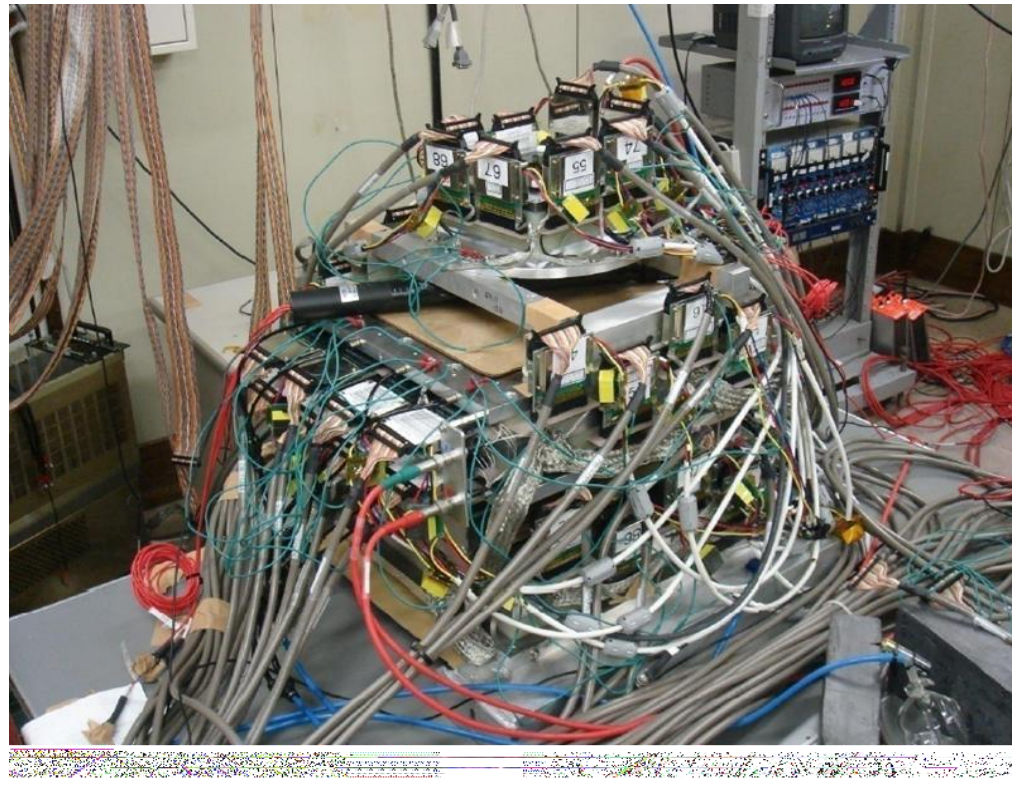
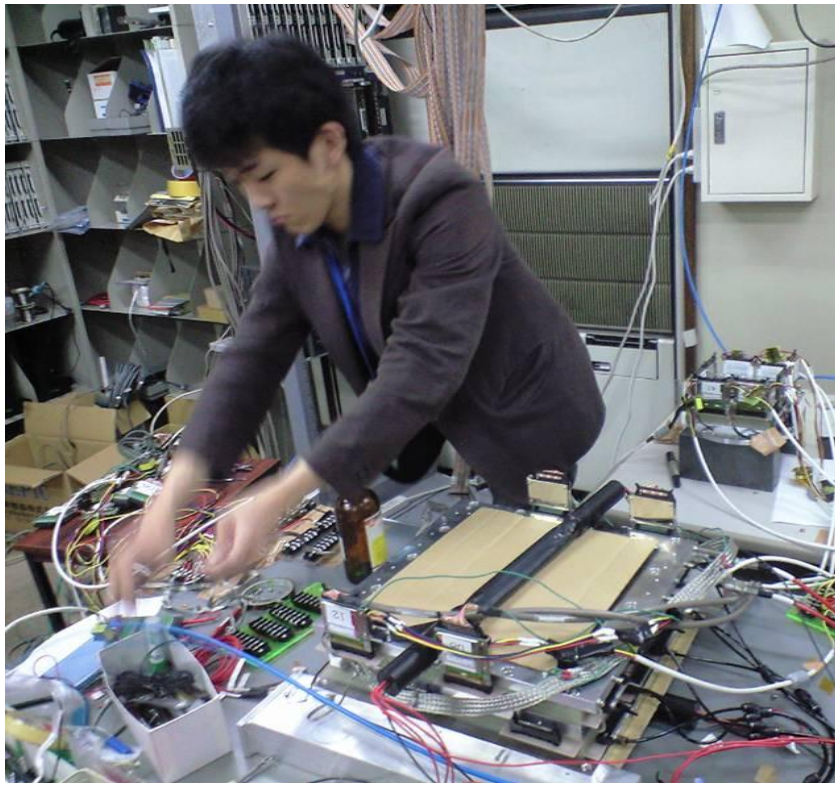


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Beam Line Spectrometer

- Design of the spectrometer is almost completed
- Commissioning of the detector is under the way
- will be ready by Jan. 2009



Summary

- J-PARC E15 experiment
 - Search for the simplest deeply-bound kaonic nuclear state, K^-pp , by in-flight ${}^3\text{He}(K^-,n)$ reaction
- Detector construction is in progress
 - Solenoid Magnet, CDC, CDH, ${}^3\text{He}$ Target, and other detectors

Time table

Jan. 2009

Start beam tune at K1.8BR beam line
(J-PARC 50GeV PS first beam!)

Apr. 2009

able to start E17 (Kaonic ${}^3\text{He}$ X-ray spectroscopy)

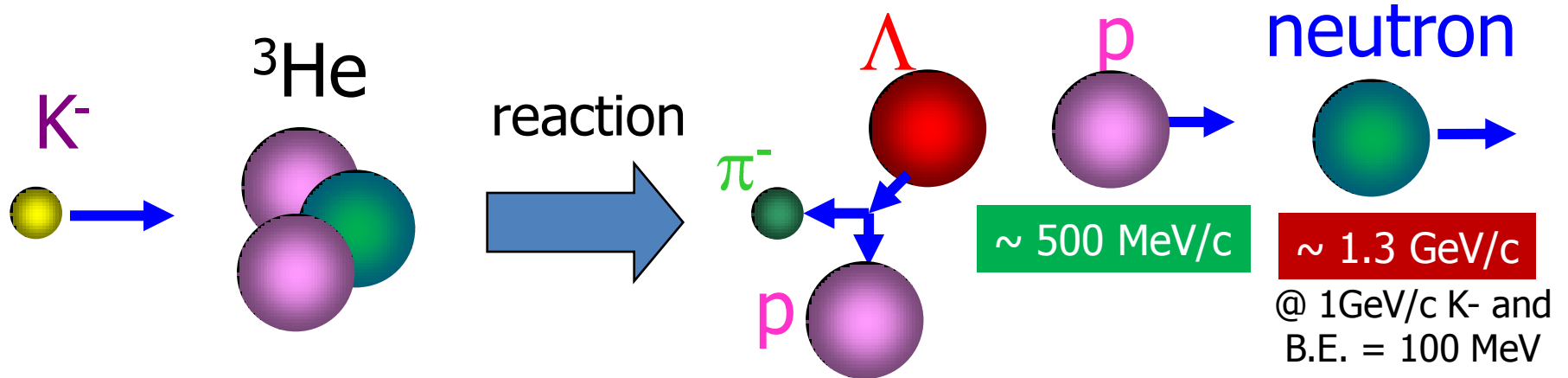
Sep. 2009

able to start E15 (Kaonic Nuclei)

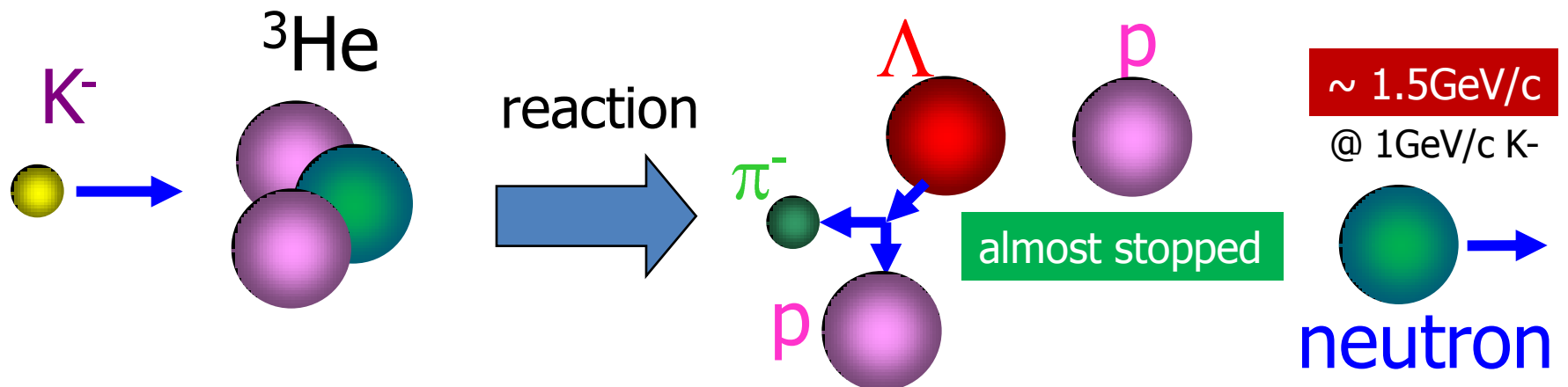
backup

“K-pp” and “Two Nucleon Absorption”

■ ${}^3\text{He}(K^-,n)$ K⁻pp formation



■ Two nucleon absorption



“two nucleon absorption process” can be identified!

Event Rate Estimation

- Parameters

- Assume production cross section as $\sigma_{\text{3He}(K^-,n)K^-pp} = 10 \mu\text{b/sr}$
- Acceptance of Neutron counter = 30 msr
- Target thickness = 20cm, density = 0.080 g/cm³
- Neutron detection efficiency = 30%
- Assume 1/3 of K-pp decay in to ($\Lambda+p$ or Σ^0+p)
- $\Lambda+p$ reconstruction efficiency in CDC = 47%

- Expected event rate

- 1.86×10^{-9} per an incident K⁻

- Event rate per day

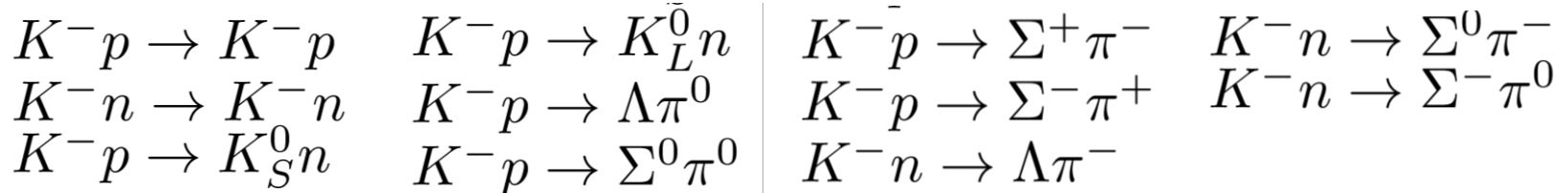
- 0.8×10^6 K⁻ per 3.53s (0.7s flat top)
- 24475 spill per day = 1.96×10^{10} K⁻ per day
- ~ 50 events per day

We will expect about ~1500 events in a month !!!

Background Estimation

Source of background

- Quasi free scattering and reaction
 - Following 11 channels are considered

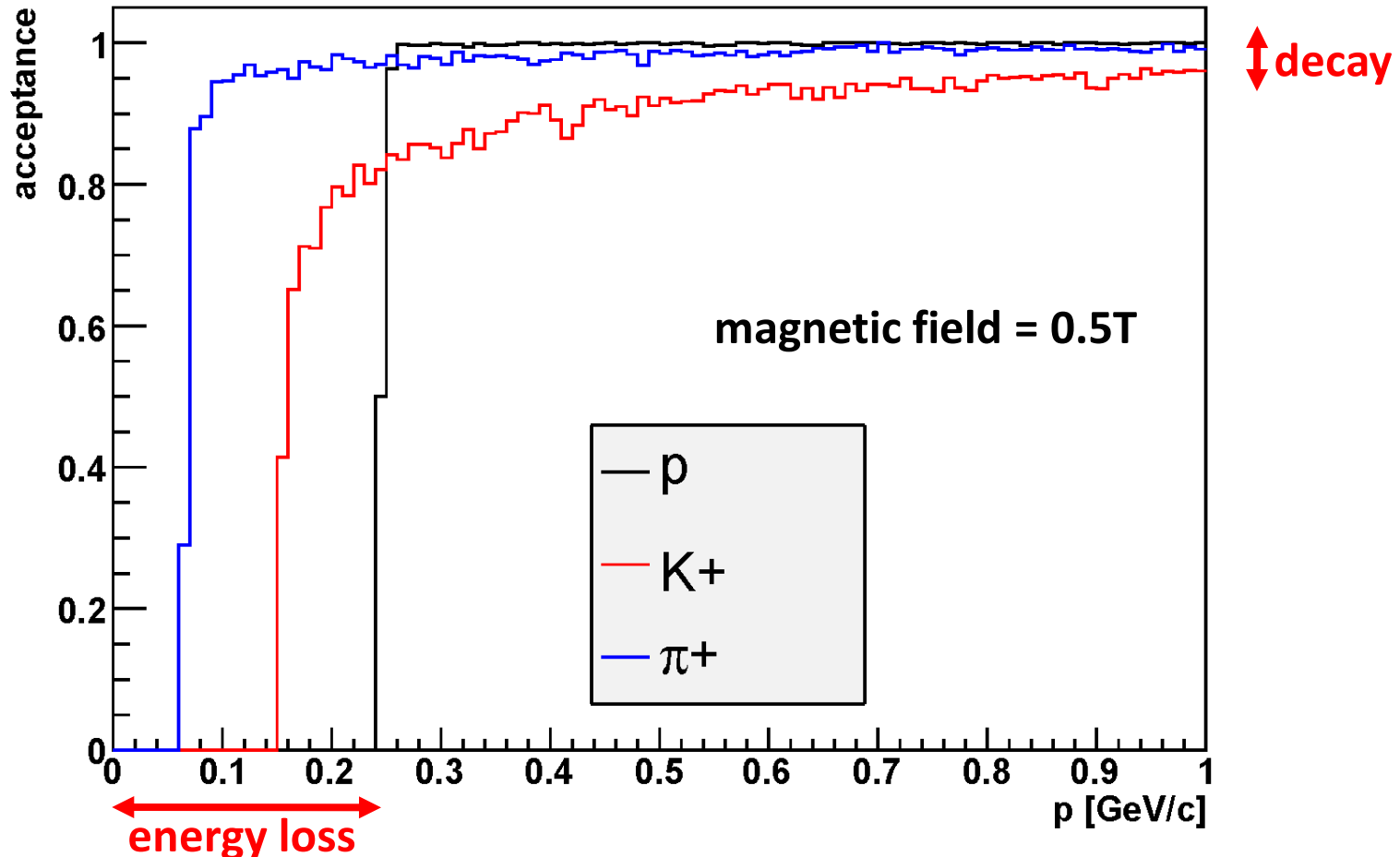


- Only 20-30 triggers/spill expected from these reactions
- In total, estimated trigger fired by background is estimated to be ~ 100 Hz

Geometrical Acceptance

Calculated using Geant4

- generated at the center of CDS
- $0 < p < 1$ GeV/c, flat distribution
- $60 < \theta < 120$ degree, flat distribution
- accepted = track with a CDH-hit



proton > 250 MeV/c, kaon > 150 MeV/c, pion > 50 MeV/c

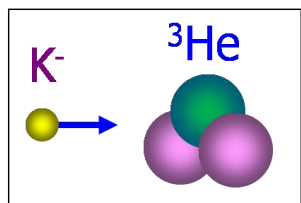
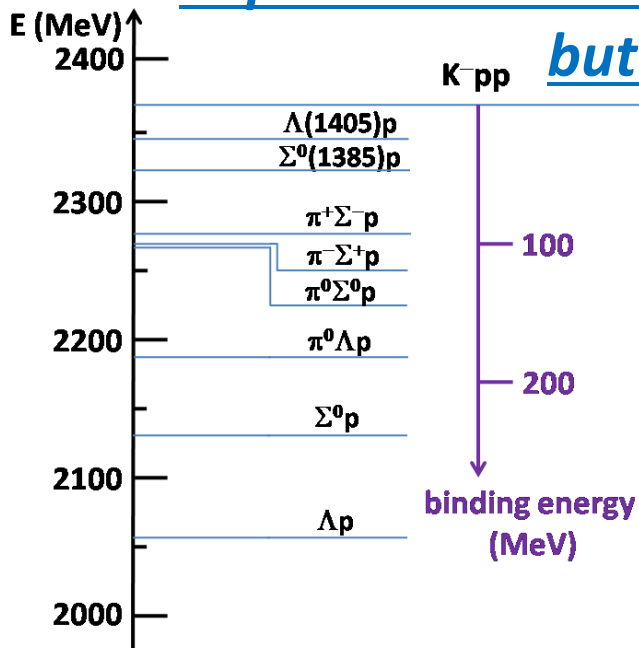
Detailed Cell Configuration of CDC

layer number	wire direction	super-layer	number of cells	radius [cm]	cell width [degree]	drift length [cm]	offset angle [degree]	tilt angle [degree]
1	X	A1	72	19.05	5	0.83	0	0
2	X'			20.4		0.89		0
3	X			21.75		0.95		0
4	U	U1	90	24.85	4	0.87	12	3.72
5	U'			26.2		0.91		3.92
6	V	V1	100	29.3	3.6	0.92	10.8	3.95
7	V'			30.65		0.96		4.12
8	X	A2	120	33.75	3	0.88	0	0
9	X'			35.1		0.92		0
10	U	U2	150	38.2	2.4	0.80	7.2	3.43
11	U'			39.55		0.83		3.55
12	V	V2	160	42.65	2.25	0.84	6.75	3.59
13	V'			44		0.86		3.71
14	X	A3	180	47.1	2	0.82	0	0
15	X'			48.45		0.85		0

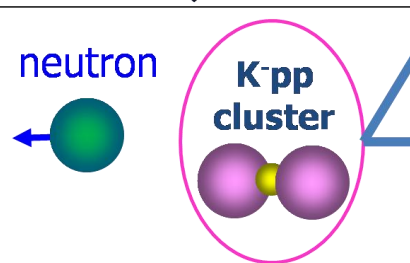
mesonic & non-mesonic decay mode

important to measure not only non-mesonic decay mode

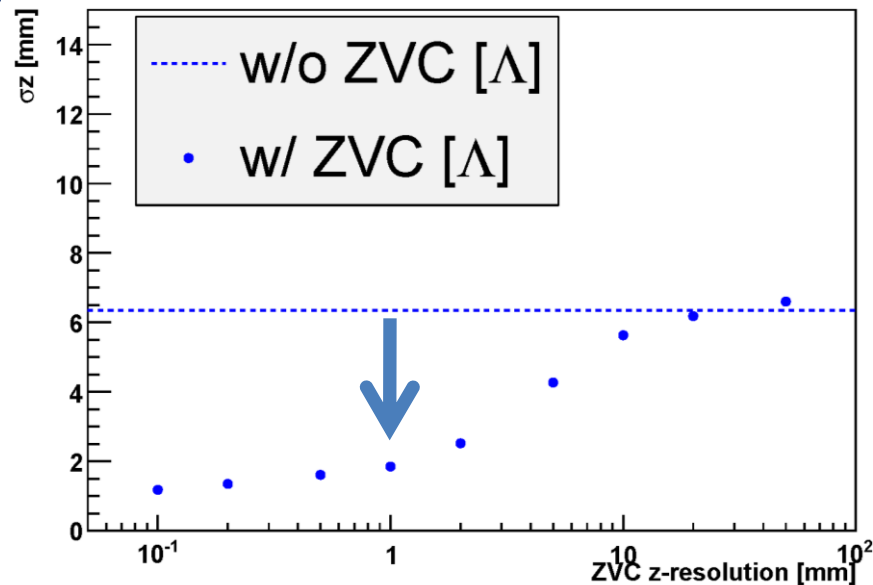
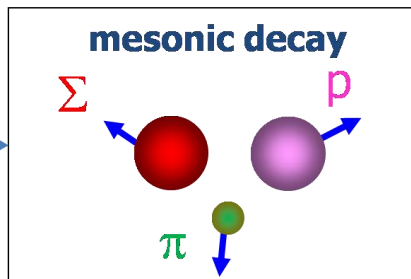
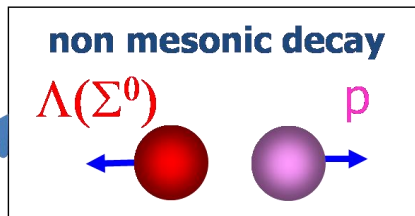
but also mesonic decay mode



Reaction



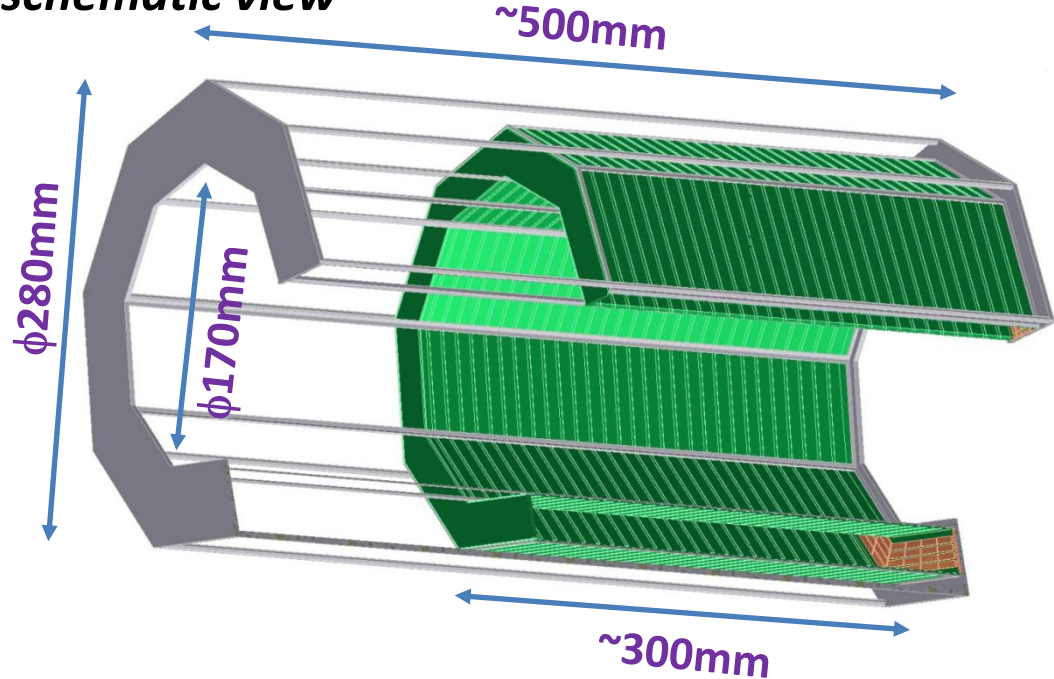
Decay



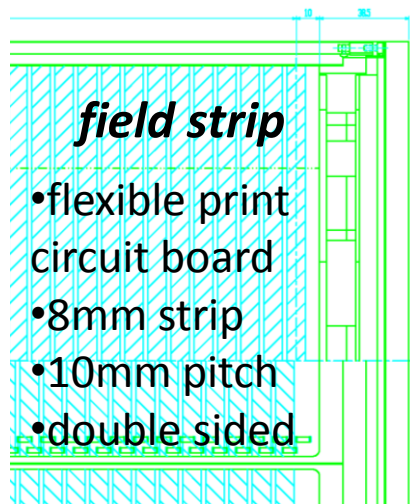
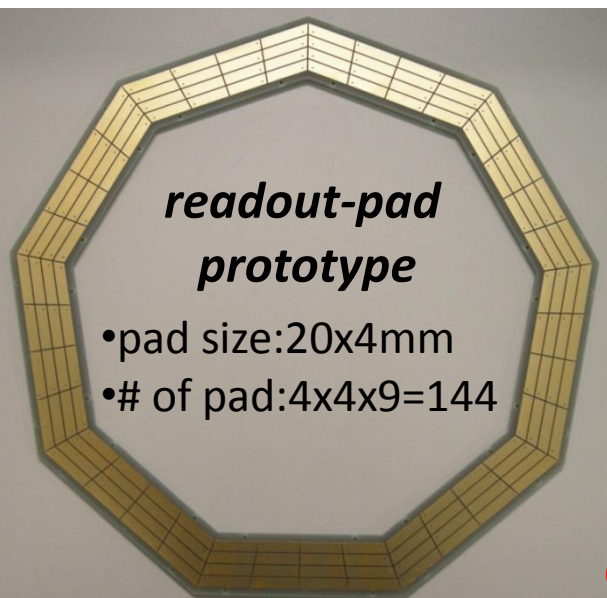
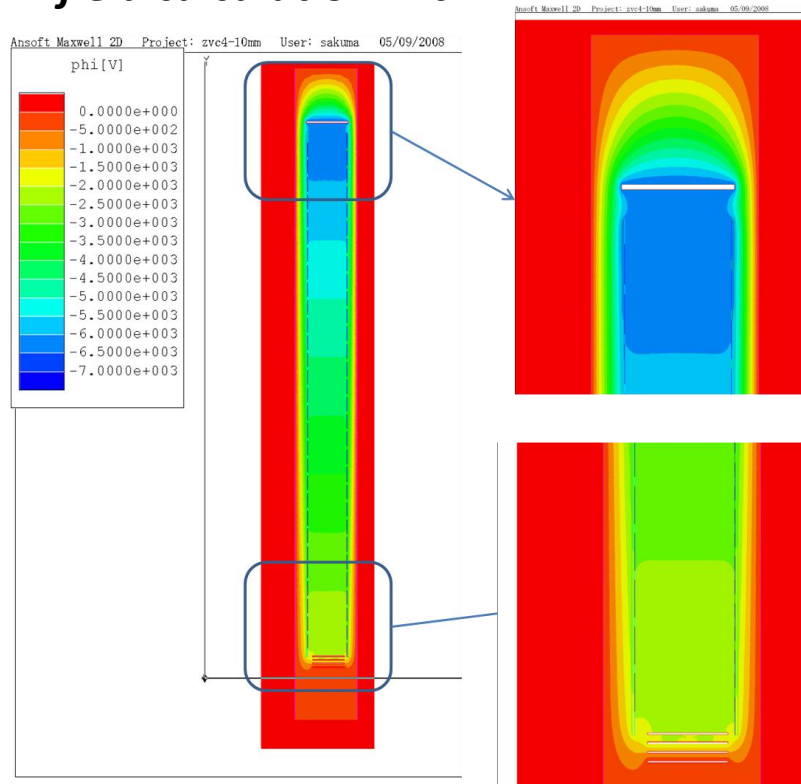
to improve z-resolution,
Thick-GEM TPC
 will be installed

Thick-GEM TPC

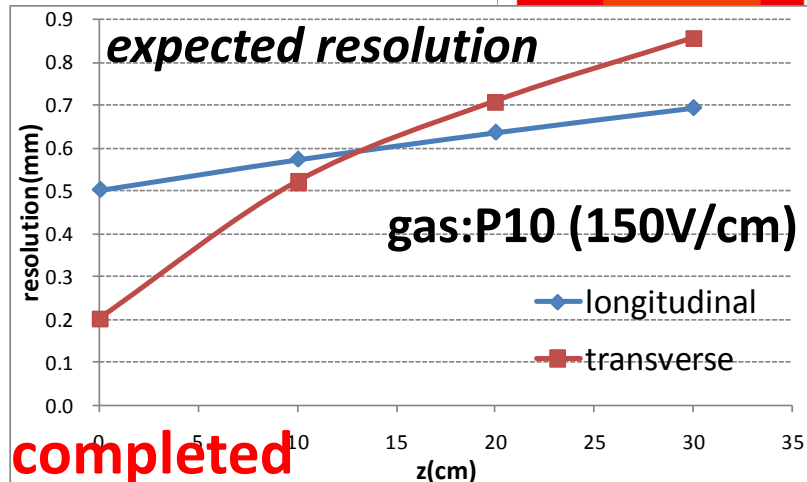
schematic view



field calculation with MAXWELL-2D



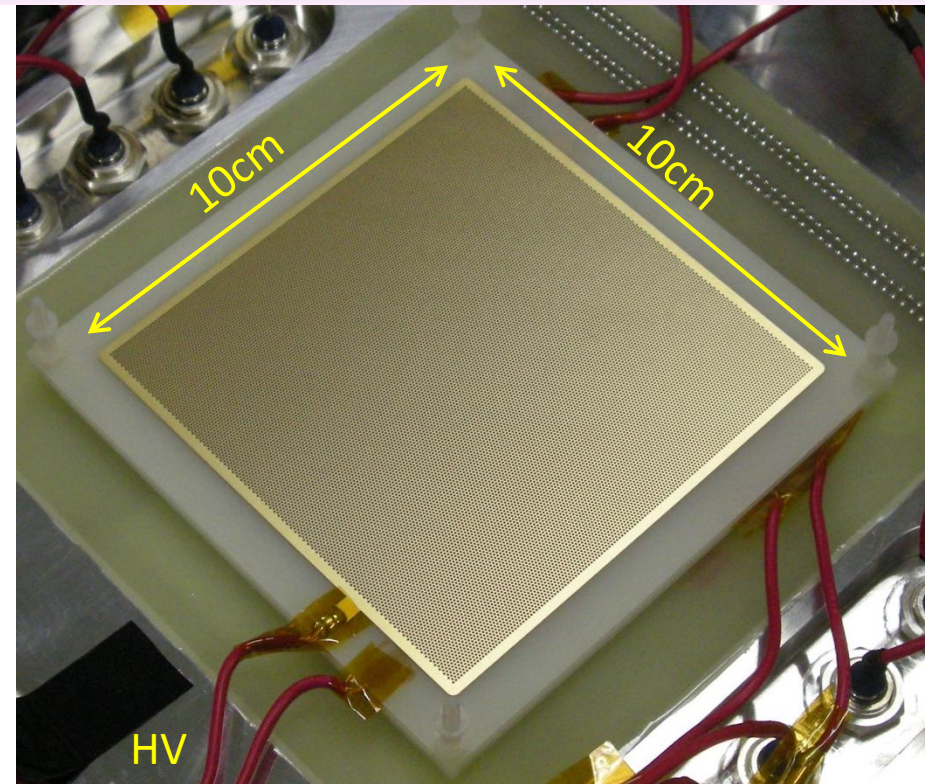
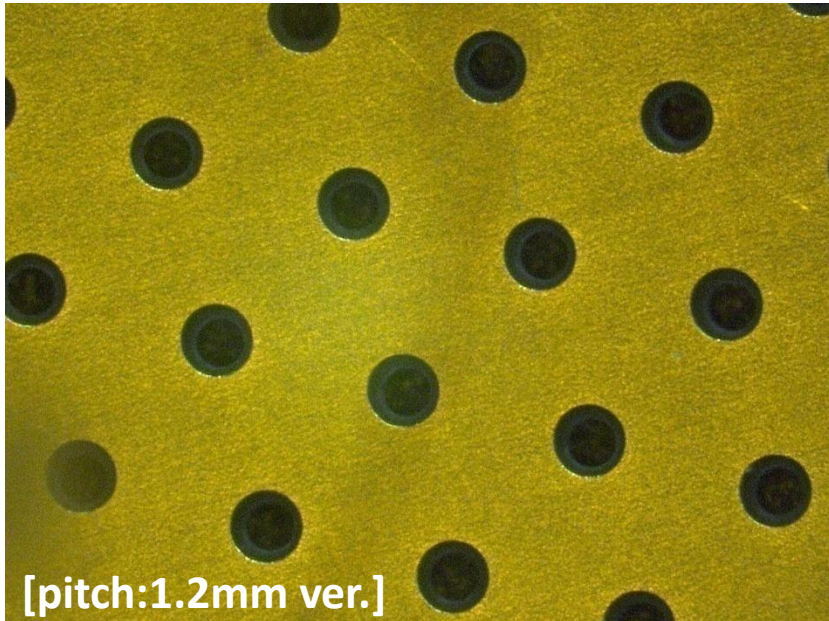
designs are almost completed



Thick-GEM @ RIKEN

Thick-GEM

- a robust, simple to manufacture, high-gain gaseous electron multiplier
- cost-effectively fabricated from double-clad G10 plates, using standard printed circuit board (PCB) techniques
- holes are mechanically drilled and the hole's rim is chemically etched to prevent discharges
- easy to operate and feasible to cover large areas, compared to the standard foil GEM

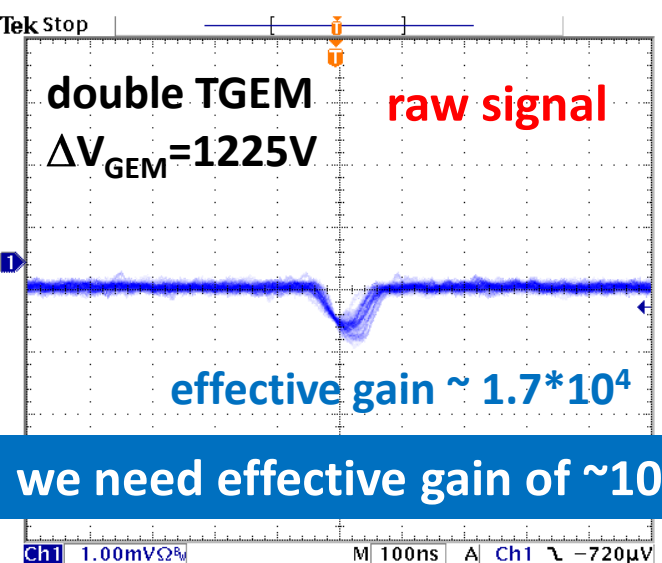
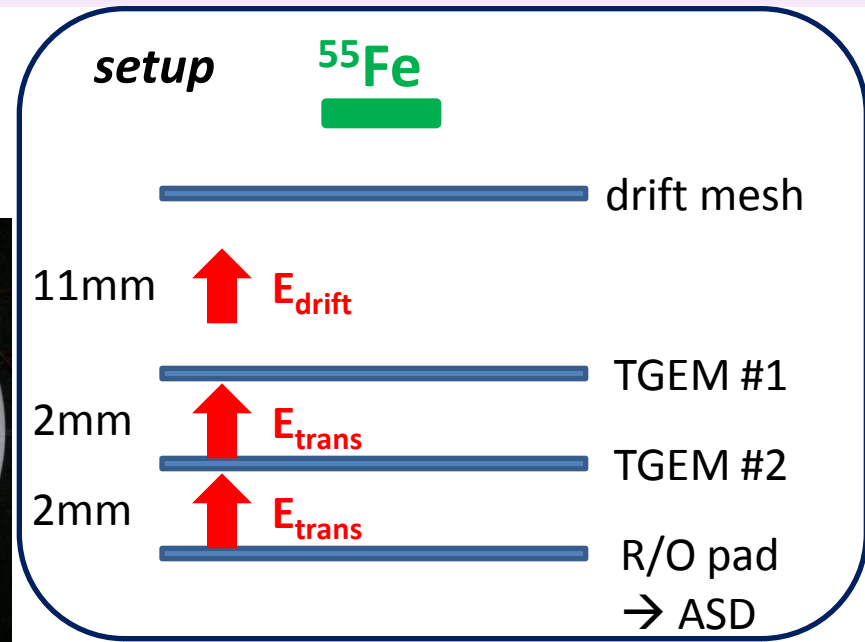
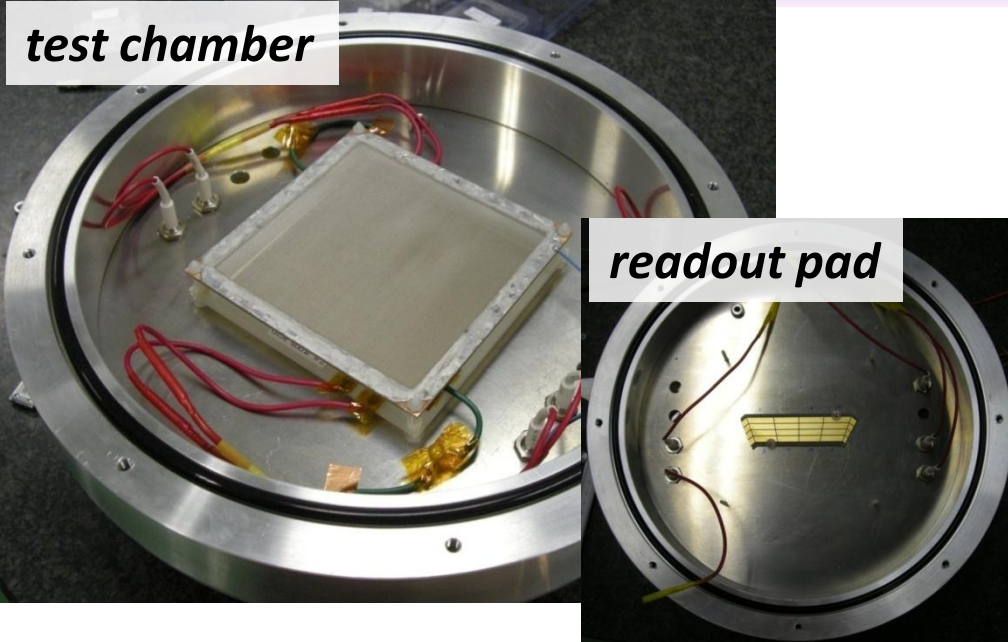


Geometrical parameters of the test Thick-GEM

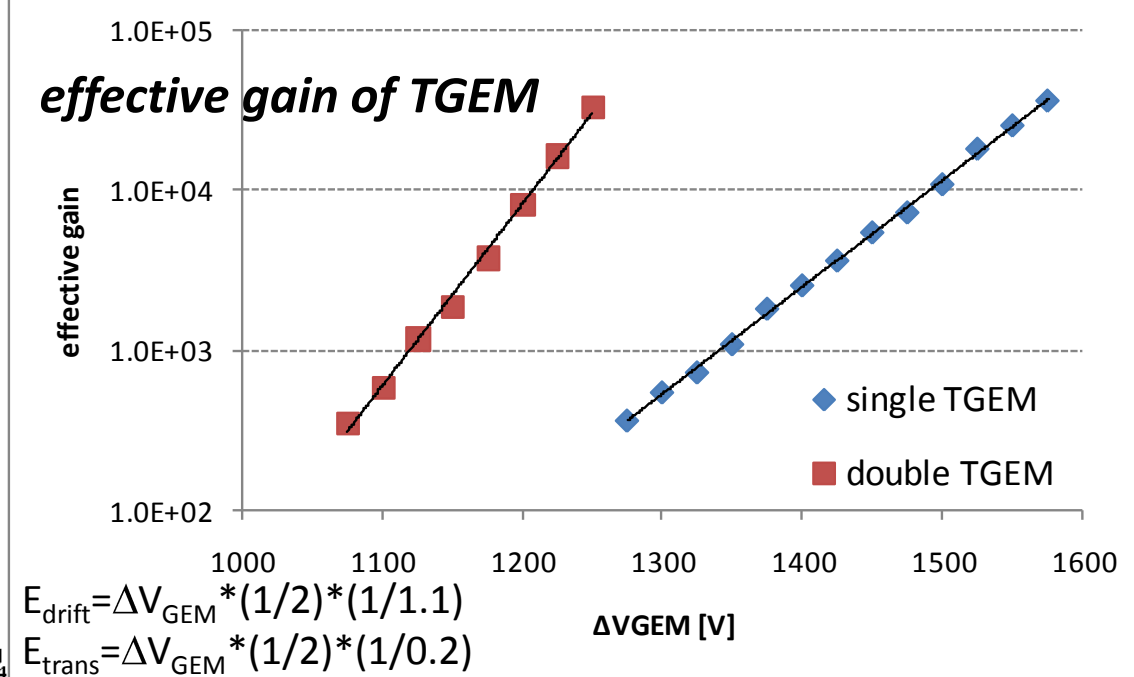
Thickness	0.4mm
Drilled hole diameter	0.3mm
Etched Cu diameter	0.5mm
Pitch	0.7mm
Size	100mm x 100mm

Produced by REPIC Corp., Japan

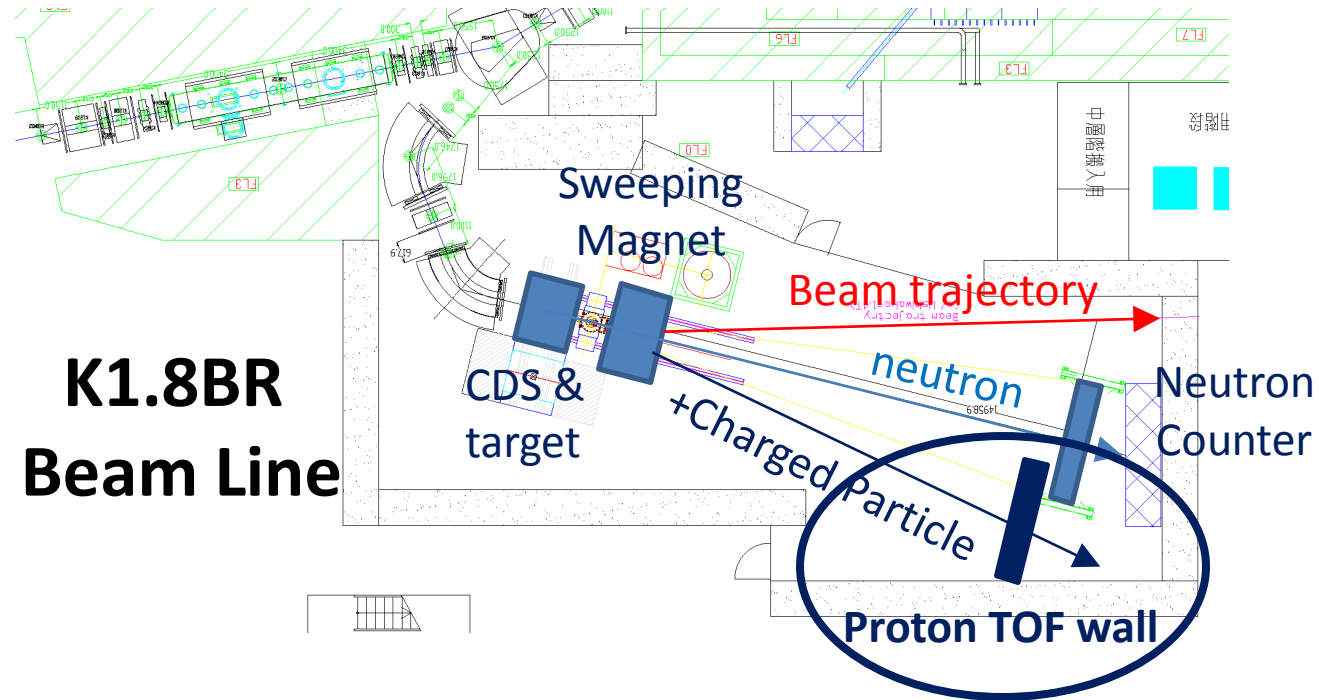
Thick-GEM @ RIKEN



we need effective gain of $\sim 10^5$



(K-,p) and (K-,d) measurements

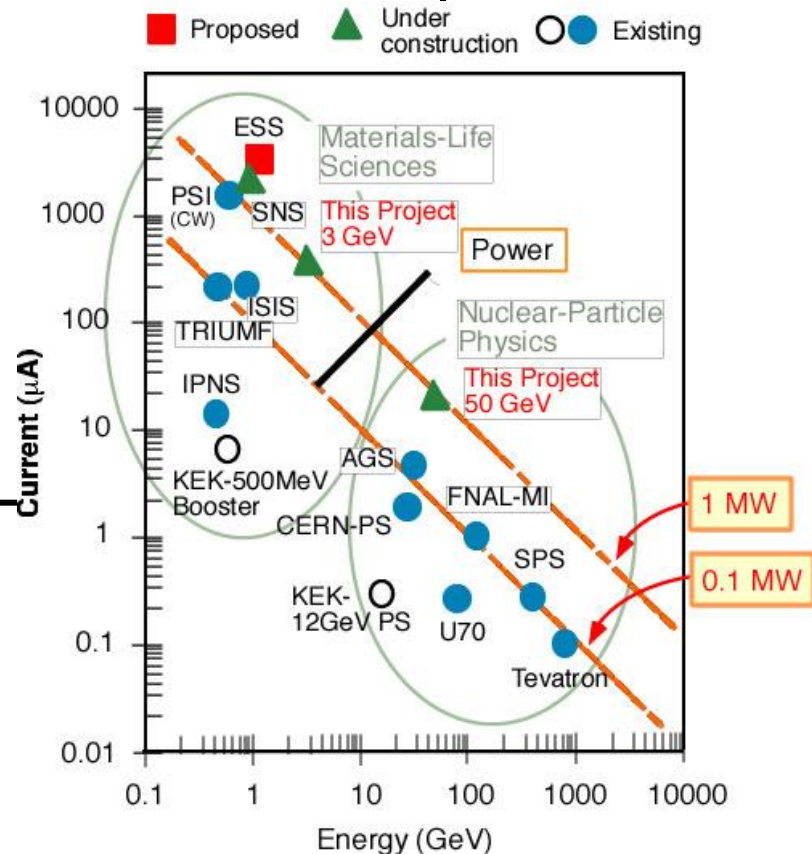


(K-,p) and (K-,d) measurement

- Forward charged particle spectrometer will provide strong new physics case in the E15 experiment
- New forward charged particle spectrometer will be installed in addition to the original E15 experimental setup

Performance of the 50-GeV PS

- Beam Energy : **50 GeV** $E_{\text{Linac}} = 400\text{MeV}$
 (30GeV for Slow Beam) $E_{\text{Linac}} = (180\text{MeV})$
 (30GeV for Fast Beam)
- Repetition: 3.4 ~ 5-6s
- Flat Top Width : 0.7 ~ 2-3s
- Beam Intensity: **3.3×10^{14} ppp, $15 \mu\text{A}$**
 (2×10^{14} ppp, $9 \mu\text{A}$)
- Beam Power: **750kW**
 (270kW)



Beam-Line Parameters

	K1.8		K1.8BR		K1.1 (S-Type)			
Max. Mom.	~2 GeV/c		1.2 GeV/c		1.1 GeV/c			
Length	45.694 m		26.973 m		27.05 m			
Acceptance	2.03 msr.% &		4.5 msr.% &		4.1msr.% \			
Intensity (ppp)#	K ⁻ (×10 ⁶)		K ⁻ (×10 ⁶)		K ⁻ (×10 ⁶)		K ⁺ (×10 ⁶)	
	50GeV15μA	30GeV9μA	50GeV15μA	30GeV9μA	50GeV15μA	30GeV9μA	50-15	30-9
1.8 GeV/c	9.6	2.0						
1.1 GeV/c	0.6	0.1	10.7	2.3	9.1	2.0	81	11
0.8 GeV/c			2.0	0.4	1.7	0.4	18	2.5
0.6 GeV/c			0.3	0.05	0.2	0.05	2.6	0.4
DC-Separator	750kV/10cm 6m×2		500kV/10cm 6m		750kV/10cm 2m×2			
K ⁻ /π ⁻ \$	2.3 (1.8GeV/c)	2.6	10 (1.1GeV/c)	12	4.3(1.1GeV/c)	4.7		
X/Ysize @ FF	16/8 mm(FWHM)		38/7.4 mm(FWHM)		10/6 mm(FWHM)			

& MS1 opening: ±2mm, MS2 opening: [-3.25mm,+2.75mm](#)

\ [MS1 opening: ±1mm, MS2: ±2mm](#)

using Sanford-Wang formula, assuming 1pulse=3.53s (0.7s flat top)

\$ Cloud π are not taken into account.

Proposals and PAC recommendation

	(Co-)Spokespersons	Affiliation	Title	Stat
E03	K. Tanida	Kyoto U.	Measurement of X rays from Ξ - Atom	S1
P04	J.C. Peng/S. Sawada	U. Illinois/KEK	Measurement of High-Mass Dimuon Production at the 50-GeV Proton Synchrotron	
E05	T. Nagae	KEK	Spectroscopic Study of Ξ -Hypernucleus, $^{12}\Xi\text{Be}$, via $^{12}\text{C}(K^-, K^+)$ Reaction	S2,D1
E06	J. Imazato	KEK	Measurement of T-Violating Transverse Muon Polarization in $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu^+ \nu$ Decays	S1
E07	K. Imai/K. Nakazawa/H. Tamura	Kyoto U./Gifu U./Tohoku U.	Systematic Study of Double Strangeness System with an Emulsion-counter Hybrid Method	S2
E08	A. Krutenkova	ITEP	Pion Double Charge Exchange on Oxygen at J-PARC	S1
E10	A. Sakaguchi/T. Fukuda	Osaka U.	Production of Neutron-Rich Lambda-Hypernucleus with the Double Charge-Exchange Reaction	S1
E11	K. Nishikawa	KEK	Tokai-to-Kamioka (T2K) Long Baseline Neutrino Oscillation Experiment Proposal	S2
E13	T. Tamura	Tohoku U.	Gamma-ray Spectroscopy by Light Hypernuclei	S2,D1
E14	T. Yamanaka	Osaka U.	Proposal for $KL \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu \mu\text{-bar}$ Experiment at J-PARC	S2
E15	M. Iwasaki/T. Nagae	RIKEN/KEK	A Search for deeply-bound kaonic nuclear states by in-flight $^3\text{He}(K^-, n)$ Reaction	S2,D1
E16	S. Yokkaichi	RIKEN	Electron Pair Spectrometer at the J-PARC 50-GeV PS to explore the chiral symmetry in QCD	S1
E17	R. Hayano/H. Oota	U. Tokyo/RIKEN	Precision Spectroscopy of Kaonic $^3\text{He } 3d \rightarrow 2p$ X-Rays	S2,D1
E18	H. Bhang/H. Oota/H. Park	SNU/RIKEN/KRISS	Coincidence Measurement of the Weak Decay of $^{12}\Lambda\text{C}$ and the three-body weak interaction process	S1
E19	M. Naruki	KEK	High-Resolution Search for Θ^+ Pentaquark in $\pi^- p \rightarrow K^- X$ Reaction	S2,D1
E22	S. Ajimura/A. Sakaguchi	Osaka U	Exclusive Study on the Lambda-N Weak Interaction in $A=4$ Lambda-Hypernuclei	S1

S2: Stage-2 approval, S1: Stage-1 approval, D1: Assigned as Day-1