

Recent results and future prospects of Hadron Physics at J-PARC

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Physics Opportunities at an Electron-Ion Collider XI

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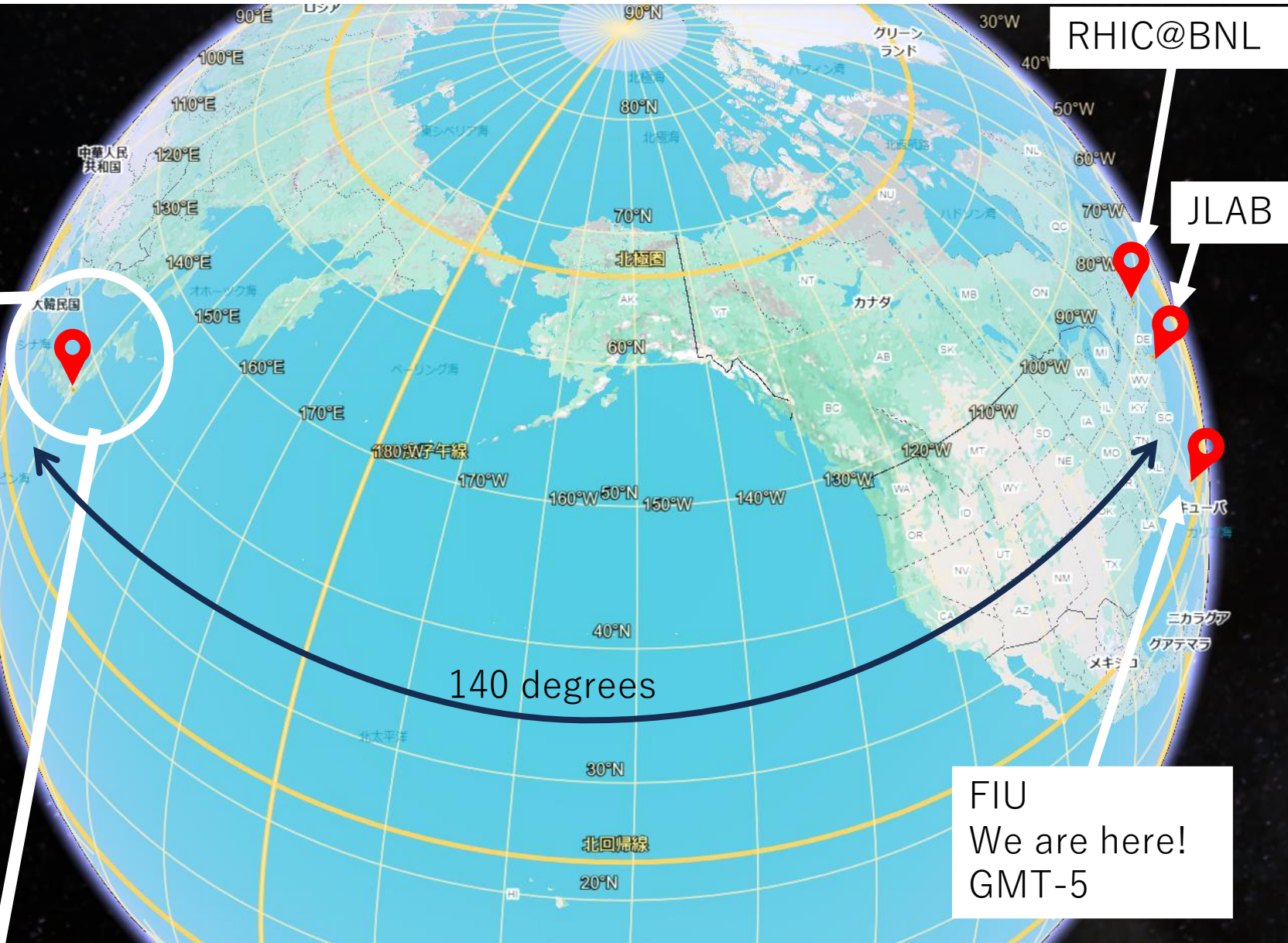
- J-PARC
- J-PARC HD (Hadron Experimental Facility) and beam lines
- Physics Motivation
- Pick up some of experiments and discuss results, along with on-going and planned experiments.

Where is J-PARC?



Tokai village, Ibaraki.
GMT+9

Tokyo



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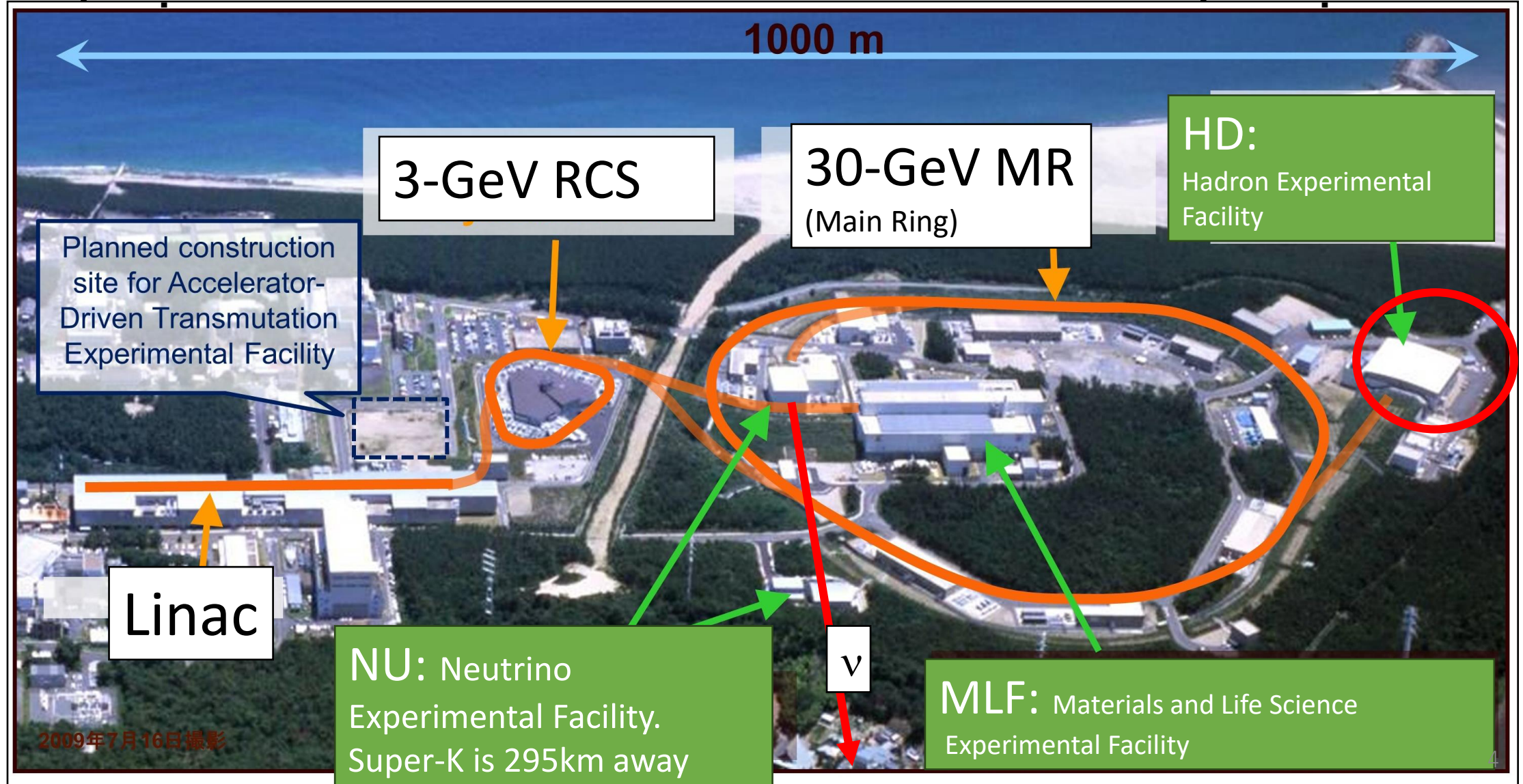
JLAB

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We are here!
GMT-5

J-PARC

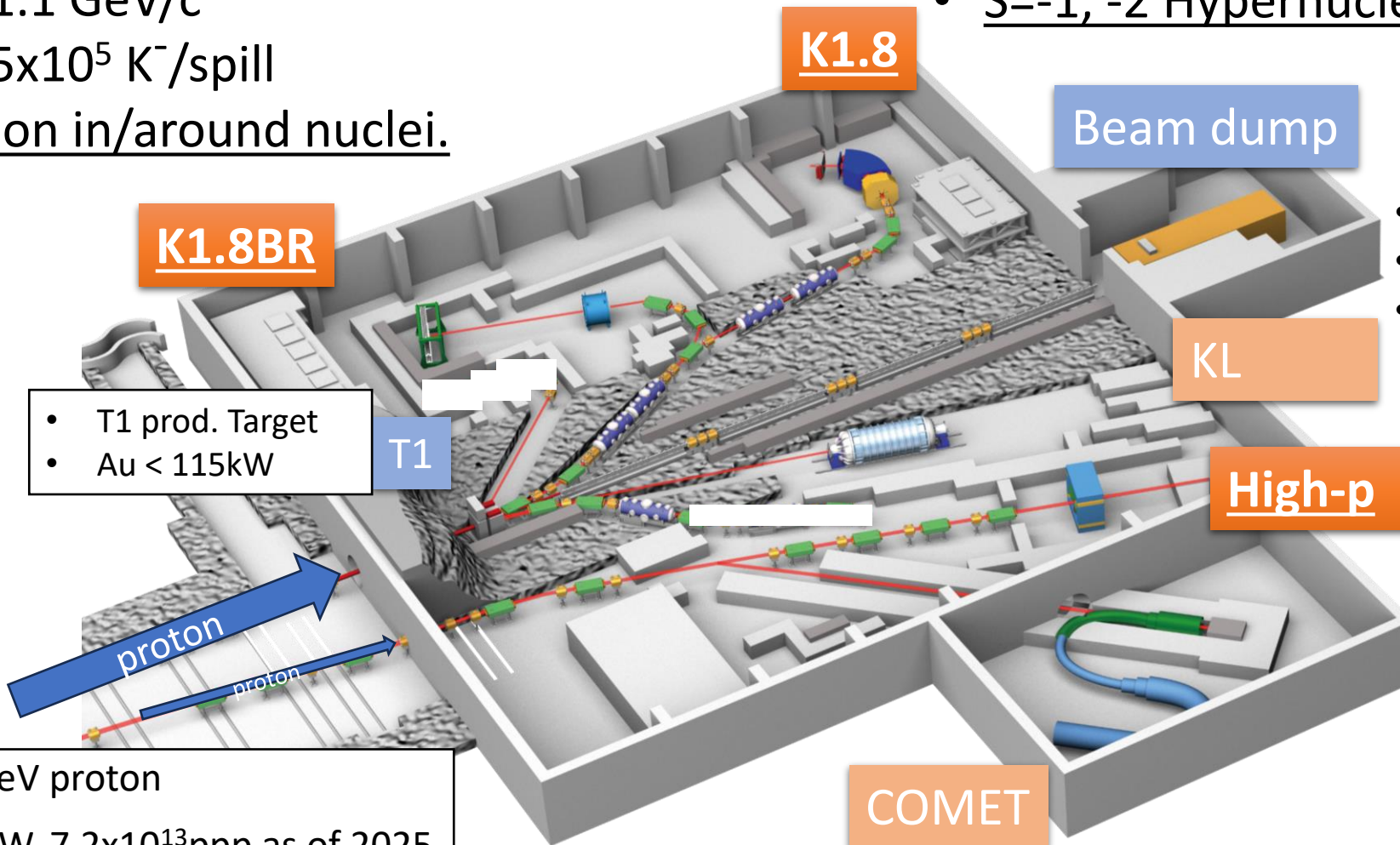
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Beam lines at J-PARC HD (Hadron Exp. Facility)

- $< 1.1 \text{ GeV}/c$
- $\sim 5 \times 10^5 \text{ K}^-/\text{spill}$
- Kaon in/around nuclei.

- $< 2.0 \text{ GeV}/c$
- $\sim 10^6 \text{ K}^-/\text{spill}$
- $S=-1, -2$ Hypernuclei, YN scatt.



- $\sim 2.1 \text{ GeV}/c$
- $\sim 10^7 \text{ K}_L/\text{spill}$
- $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$ rare decay.

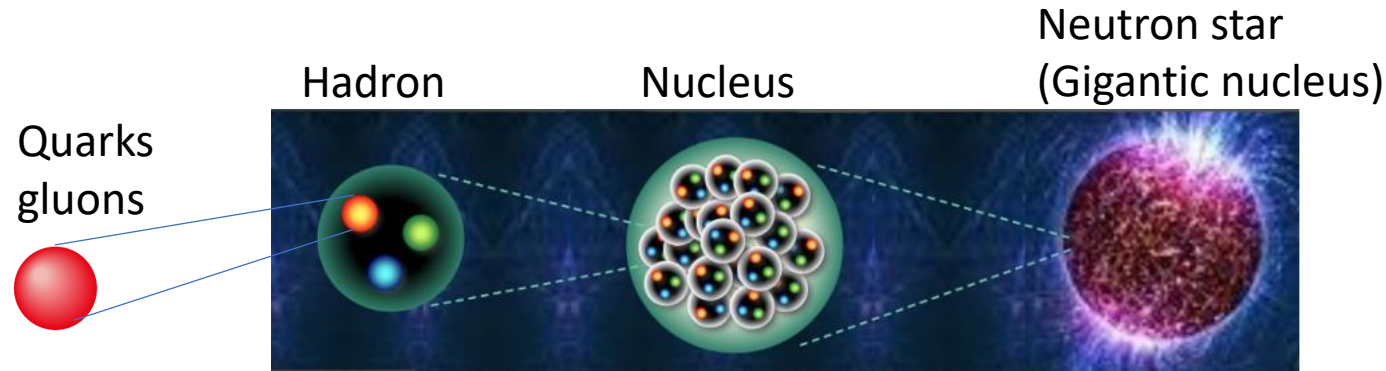
- 30 GeV proton
- $10^{10} \text{ p}/\text{spill}$
- ϕ meson in nuclei

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- $< 31 \text{ GeV}/c$
 - $10^7 \text{ } \pi/\text{spill}$
 - Charmed Baryon spectroscopy
 - Pion-DY

- $\mu^- \rightarrow e^-$ conversion

Physics motivation in one slide:

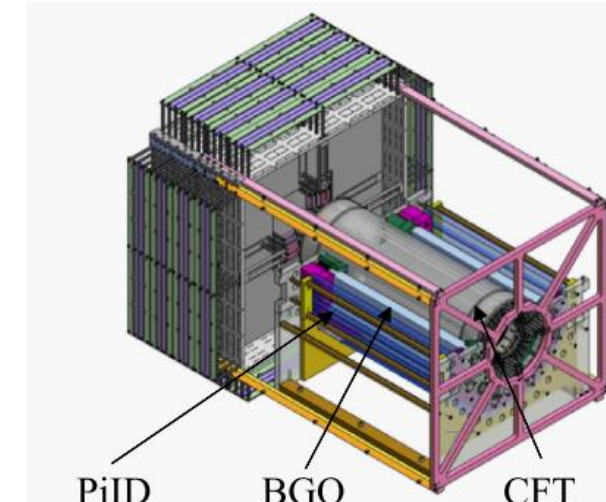
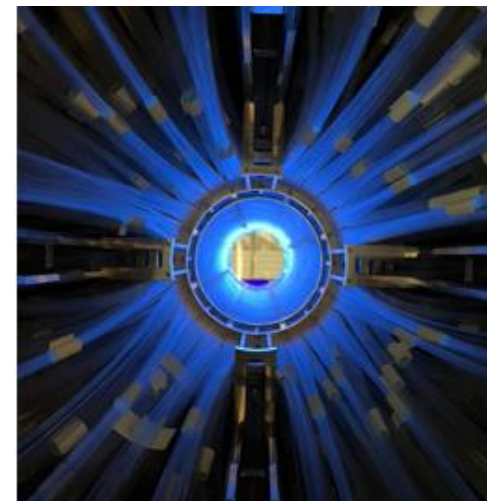
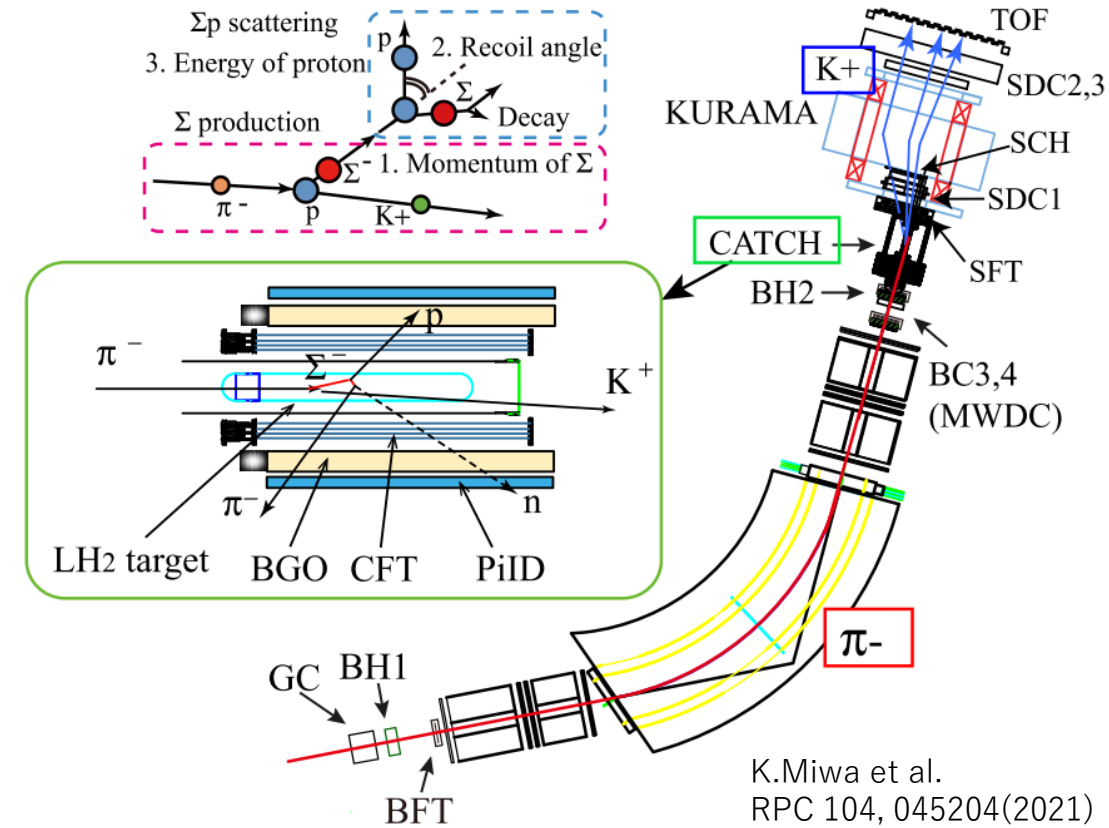
To understand strongly interacting systems from quarks to neutron stars.



- Quark \rightarrow Hadron : How quarks and gluons form hadrons?
 - Quark Confinement. Spontaneous breaking of chiral symmetry.
 - Meson in nuclei \rightarrow ϕ (high-p, E16), K^{bar} (K1.8BR, E15)
 - GPD \rightarrow Pion induced Drell-Yan (high-p, LOI)
- Hadron \rightarrow Nucleus \rightarrow Neutron Star : Property of dense matter?
 - Precise Baryon-Baryon interaction incl. hyperons and its density dependence
 - Σ N Scattering experiment (K1.8, E40)
 - S=-1, -2 hypernuclei and γ -ray spectroscopy. (K1.8)

J-PARC E40 : Σp scatterings.

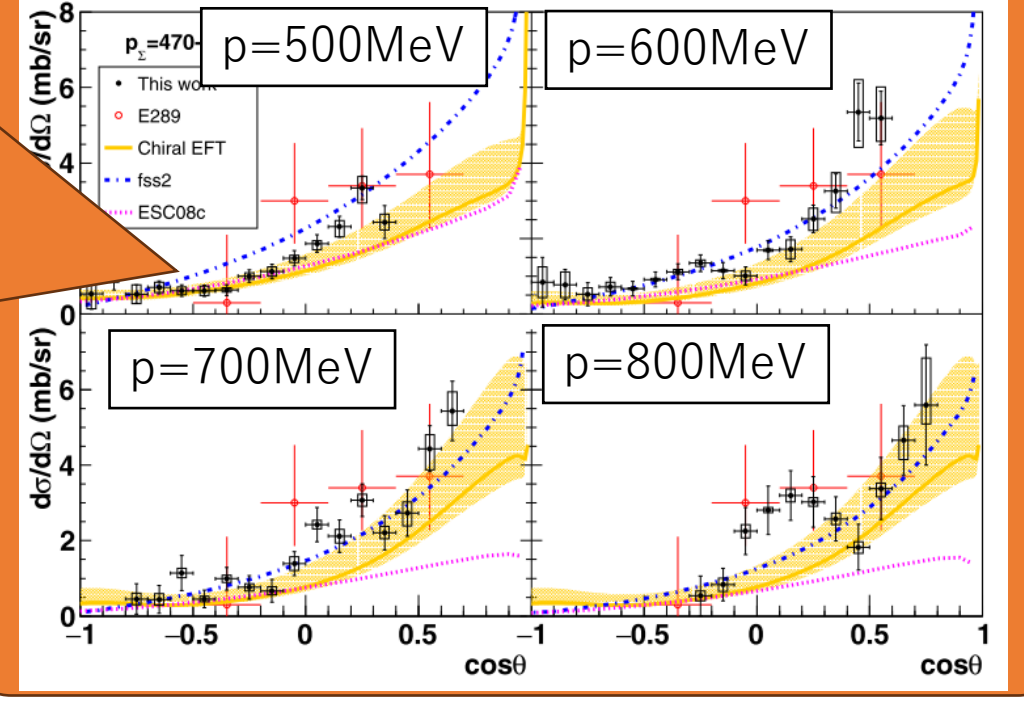
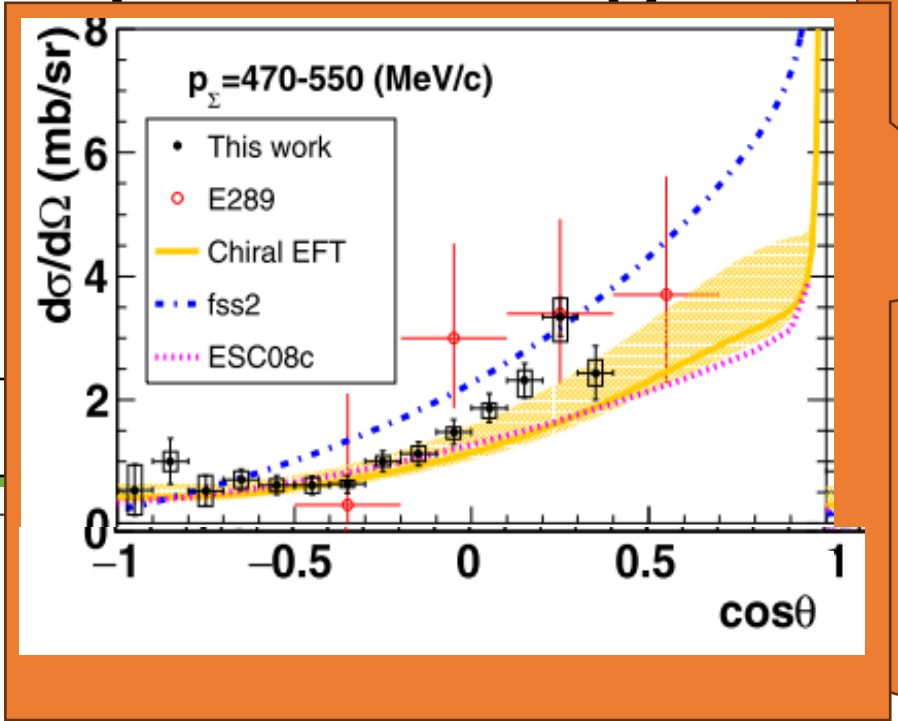
- Σ^\pm “beam” produced in LH2 target
 - (π, K^+) reaction creates $S=-1$.
 - s - s^{bar} pair created. K^+ takes away s^{bar} . s is put in the system of interest.
 - $p(\pi^-, K^+) : \pi^- p \rightarrow K^+ \Sigma^-$
 - $p(\pi^+, K^+) : \pi^+ p \rightarrow K^+ \Sigma^+$
 - beam line spectrometer (π^\pm) + KURAMA spectrometer (K^+)
 - Missing mass (Σ^\pm)
- Σp scattering
 - $\Sigma^- p \rightarrow \Sigma^- p$ 4500 events.
 - $\Sigma^+ p \rightarrow \Sigma^+ p$ 2400 events.
 - $\Sigma^- p \rightarrow \Lambda n$ 1000 events.
 - Detected by CATCH



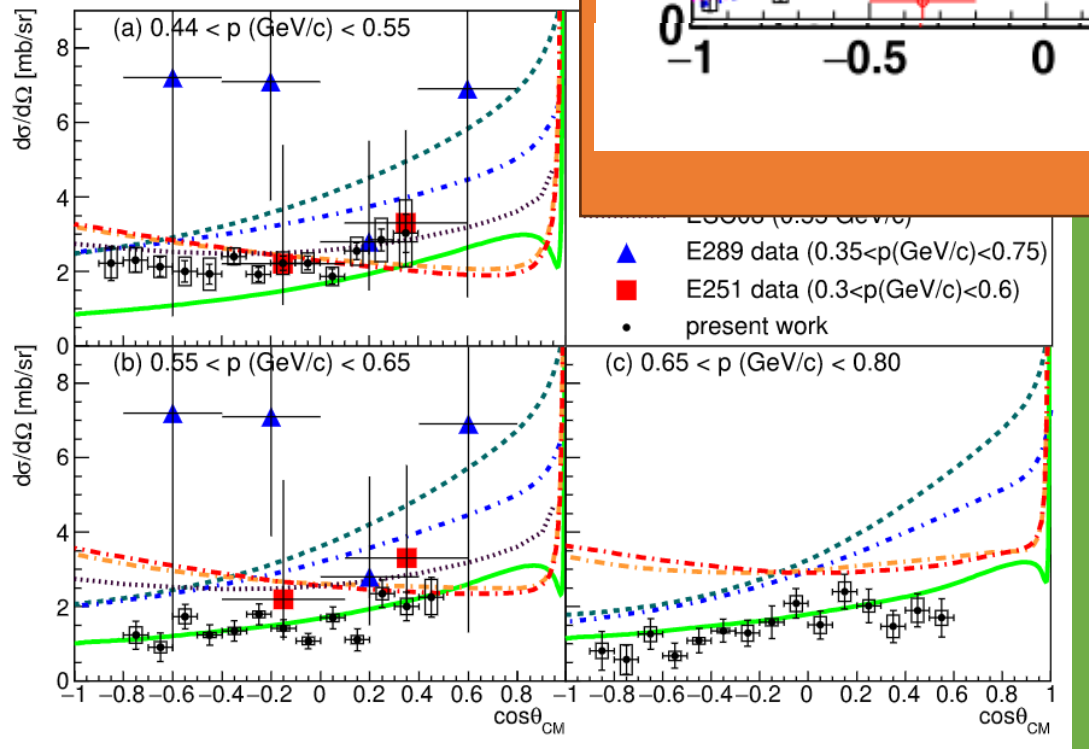
J-PARC E40 : Σp scatterings.

- Improved statistics compared to old measurements.

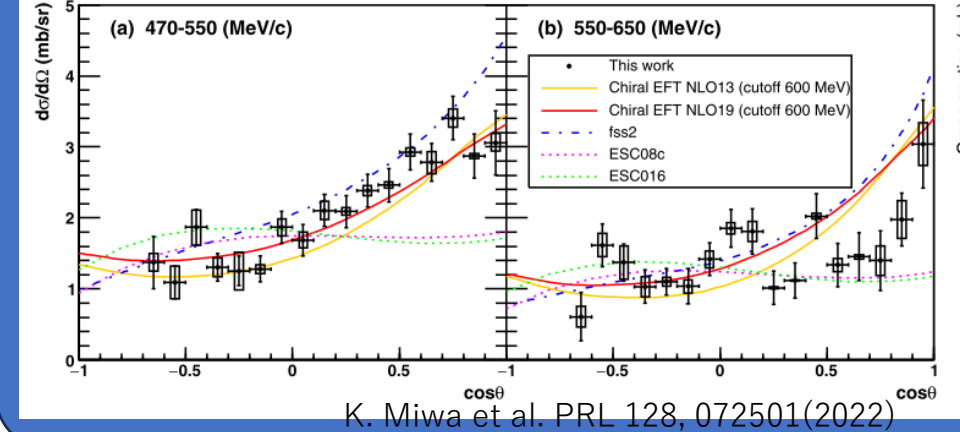
$\Sigma^- p \rightarrow \Sigma^- p$ K.Miwa et al. RPC 104, 045204(2021)



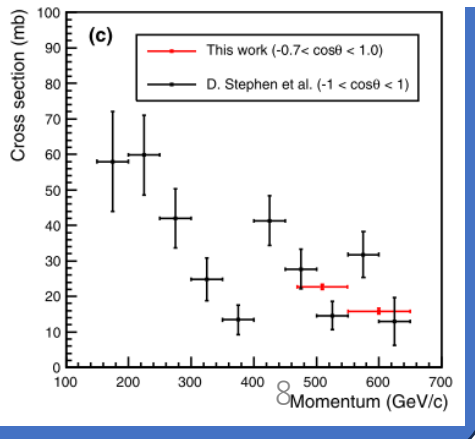
$\Sigma^+ p \rightarrow \Sigma^+ p$



$\Sigma^- p \rightarrow \Lambda n$

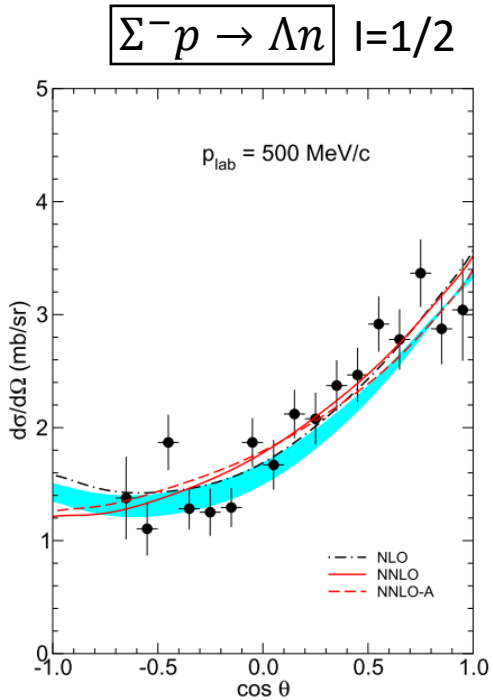


Total cross section

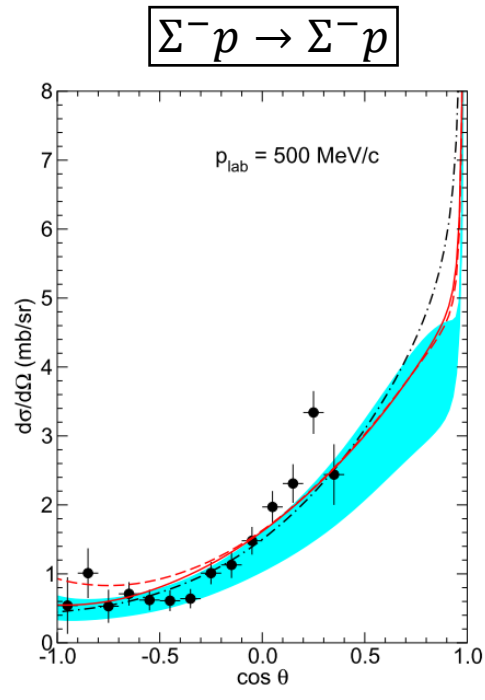


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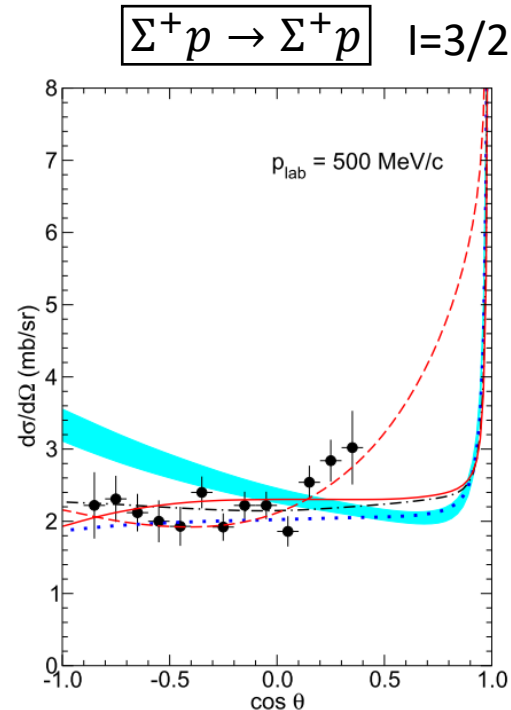
Cyan: NLO19 (w/o E40 data) ,
 Solid: NNLO fit w/ E40 data.
 Dashed NNLO-A: fine tuned to
 500MeV/c data.



K. Miwa et al.
 PRL 128, 072501(2022)



K.Miwa et al.
 RPC 104, 045204(2021)



T.Nanamura et al.
 PTEP 2022 093D01

1 and 3 refer to spin singlet and triplet
 even/odd refer to OAM

BB channel (I)	1 even or 3 odd	3 even or 1 odd
$NN(I=0)$	—	(10^*)
$NN(I=1)$	(27)	—
$\Lambda N(I=\frac{1}{2})$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}[(8_s) + 3(27)]$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}[-(8_a) + (10^*)]$
$\Sigma N(I=\frac{1}{2})$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}[3(8_s) - (27)]$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}[(8_a) + (10^*)]$
$\Sigma N(I=\frac{3}{2})$	(27)	(10)

- E40 data has stimulated NNLO Chiral EFT.

- Haidenbauer et al., Eur. Phys.J.A 59, 3 (2023)

- No additional LEC (Low Energy Constant) at this level except for 3BF. 3BF LEC not considered.

- Cyan: NLO19 (w/o E40 data) , Solid: NNLO fit w/ E40 data.

- NLO19 successful reproduce a) and b) but not c). Fit w/ E40 improves.

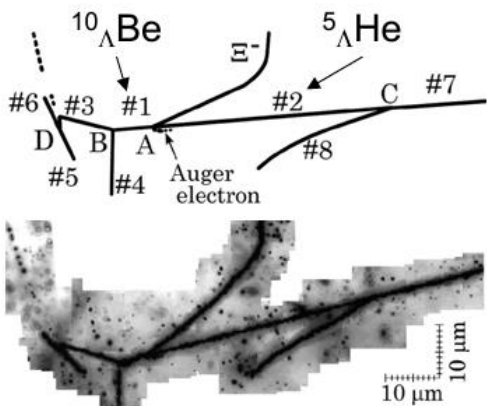
- c) Sensitive to 10-plet in $SU_f(3)$ which does not appear NN interaction.

- Parameters not uniquely determined. Additional information needed. Polarized ΛN scattering experiment planned. \rightarrow J-PARC E86

J-PARC E07: $S=-2$ hypernuclei by Hybrid emulsion method

- (K^- , K^+) reactions : s in the beam and s - s^{bar} created. K^+ take away s^{bar} . ss are put into the system of interest.
- Emulsions – photographic films that capture particle reactions.
- Hybrid – Ξ^- productions were recorded by counters, later search for corresponding position in emulsion by microscope.

(KEK-E325)
KISO event



K. Nakazawa et al., PTEP. 2015, 033D02

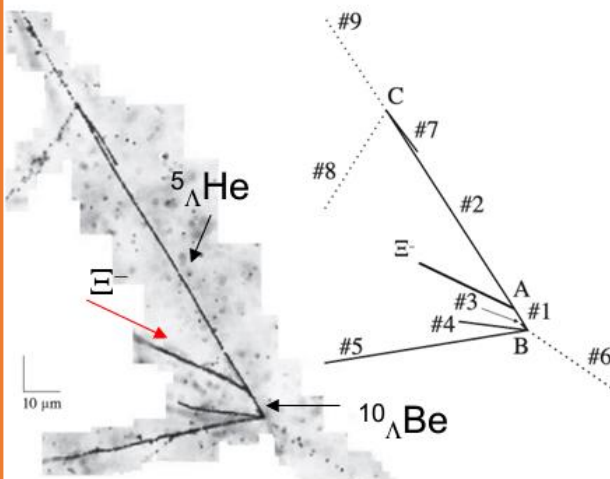
1st discovery of clear Ξ nuclear state

Two possibilities of B_{Ξ^-} depending on $^{10}_\Lambda\text{Be}$ state

- $B_{\Xi^-} (^{10}_\Lambda\text{Be}_{\text{g.s.}}) = 3.87 \pm 0.21 \text{ MeV}$
- $B_{\Xi^-} (^{10}_\Lambda\text{Be}_{\text{1st. Ex.}}) = 1.03 \pm 0.18 \text{ MeV}$

(J-PARC E07)

IBUKI event



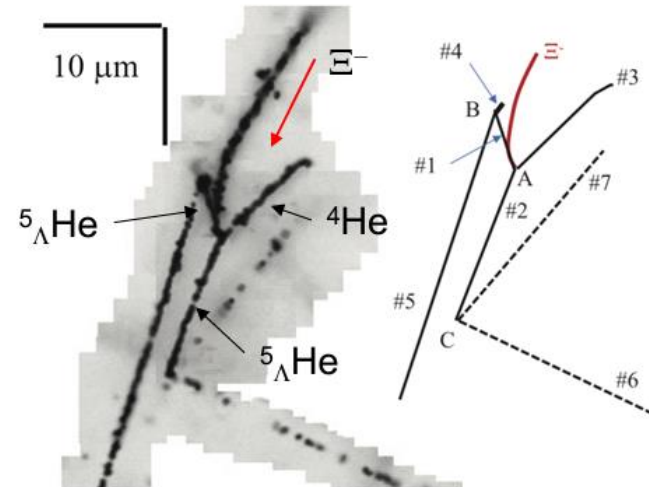
S. H. Hayakawa et al.,
Physical Review Letters, 126, 062501 (2021)

1st uniquely identified Ξ nuclear state

One reaction process satisfied kinematical consistency.

- $B_{\Xi^-} = 1.27 \pm 0.21 \text{ MeV}$

$\Xi^- + ^{14}\text{N} \rightarrow ^5_\Lambda\text{He} + ^5_\Lambda\text{He} + ^4\text{He} + n$
IRRAWADDY event



M. Yoshimoto et al., PTEP. 2021, 073D02

1st observation of nuclear s-state of Ξ hypernucleus

(This state maybe $^{14}\text{C} + \Xi^0$)

E.Friedman, A.Gal PLB837, 137640(2023)

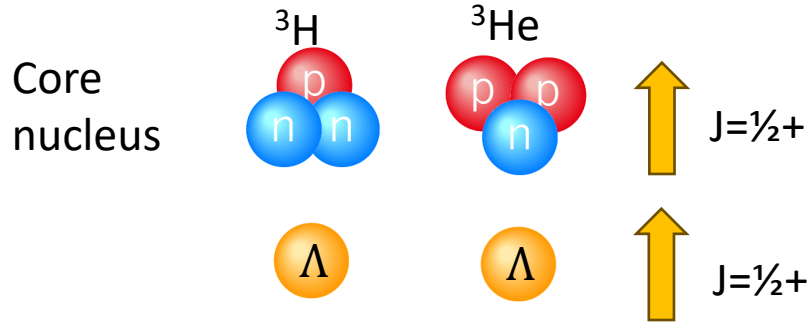
- $B_{\Xi^-} = 6.27 \pm 0.27 \text{ MeV}$

$\Xi^- + ^{14}\text{N}$
hypernuclei

Slide by
K. Miwa 2nd HEF-EX.

J-PARC E13

S=-1, A=4 hypernuclei γ -ray



- Charge Symmetry Breaking (CSB) in g.s. of $^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ and $^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$

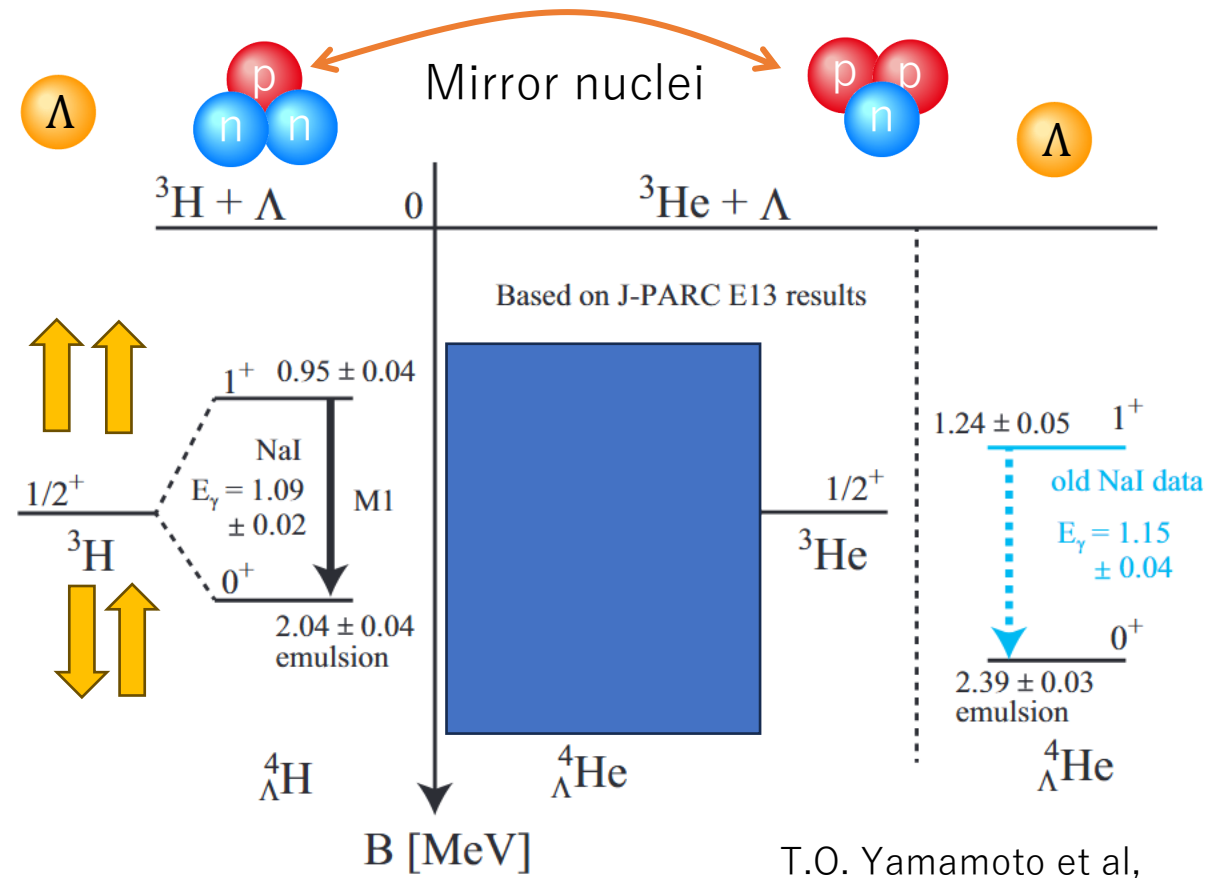
- $\sim 350\text{keV}$
- Not theoretically understood.

- Energy splitting due to spin-spin

- previous γ -ray measured by NaI
- $^3_{\Lambda}\text{He}$: Not reliable according to experts.

- $^3_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ g-ray measurement needs update.

- J-PARC E13 measured it using Germanium detector with an order of mag better resolution.



T.O. Yamamoto et al, PRL115, 222501 (2015)

Charge symmetry holds well in NN.

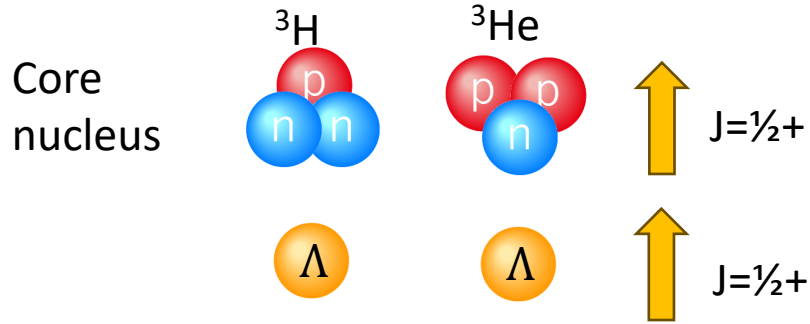
- Similarity of strong interactions btw pp and nn.

Mirror nuclei ^3H vs ^3He

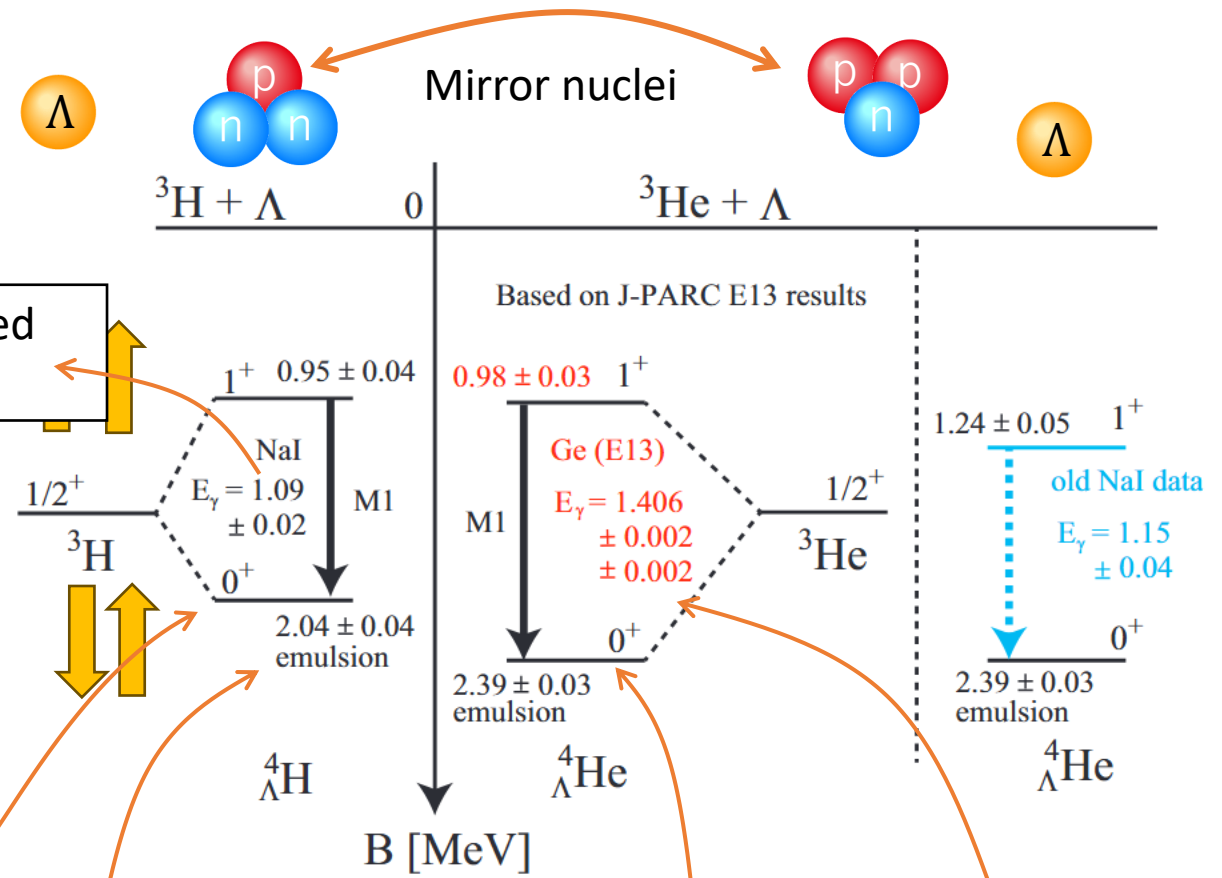
- $\Delta M = 492 \text{ keV}$
- $\Delta B_{\text{total}} = 764 \text{ keV} \rightarrow 70\text{keV}$ after Coulomb corr.
- $\rho - \omega$ mixing : Ann. Rev. N.P. Sci. 56,253(2006)

J-PARC E13

S=-1, A=4 hypernuclei γ -ray



- J-PARC E13 confirmed that charge symmetry is broken.
- ΛN CSB interaction has spin-dependence.
- $\Lambda\text{N}-\Sigma\text{N}$ coupling plays an important role in CSB.



J-PARC E13

These g.s. energy deduced from old emulsion data.

Update on g.s are expected from J-PARC E07
Emulsion automated-scan and Machine learning.

K1.8BR : J-PARC E15 – $\bar{K}NN$ (“K⁻pp”)

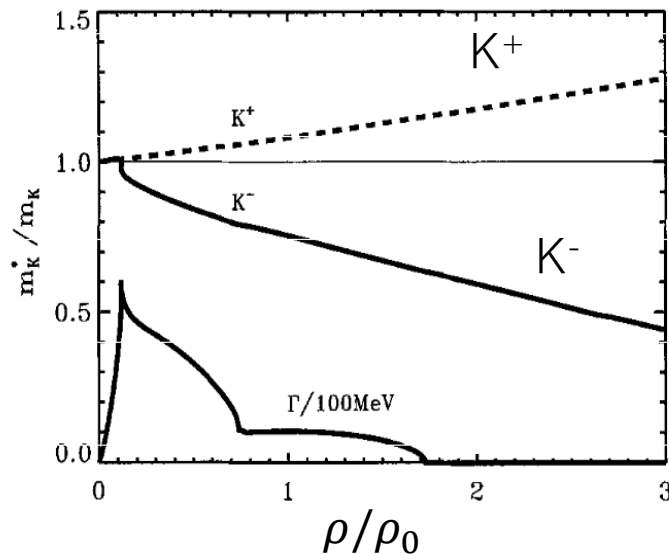
\bar{K} : K^- and \bar{K}^0

A search for deeply-bound kaonic states by in-flight $^3\text{He}(K^-,n)$

- $\bar{K}N$ Strongly attractive in $l=0$. $\Lambda(1405) = \bar{K}N$ molecule
- Larger Kaonic nucleus? $\bar{K}NN, \bar{K}NNN \dots$

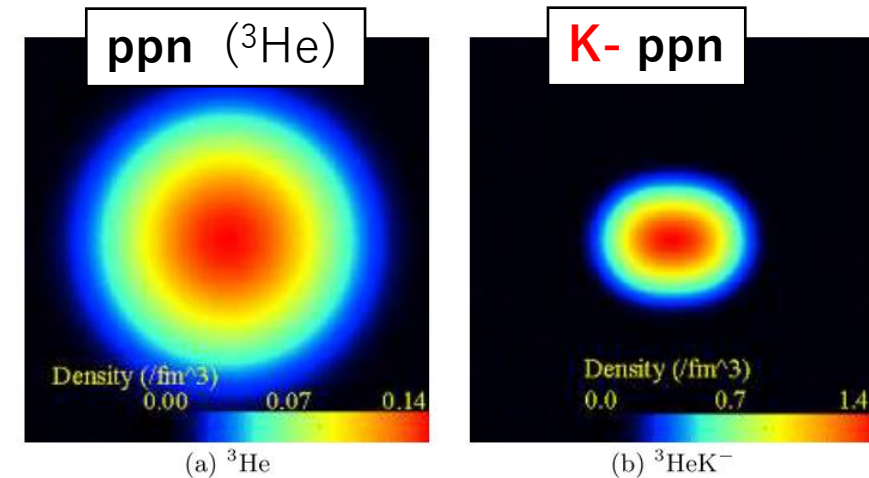
E. A. Veit et al.,
Phys. Rev. D 31, 1033 (1985)

SU(3) χ EFT that reproduce $\Lambda(1405)$ as
Bound-state of $K^{\text{bar}}N$,
Suggests K- mass dropping in medium



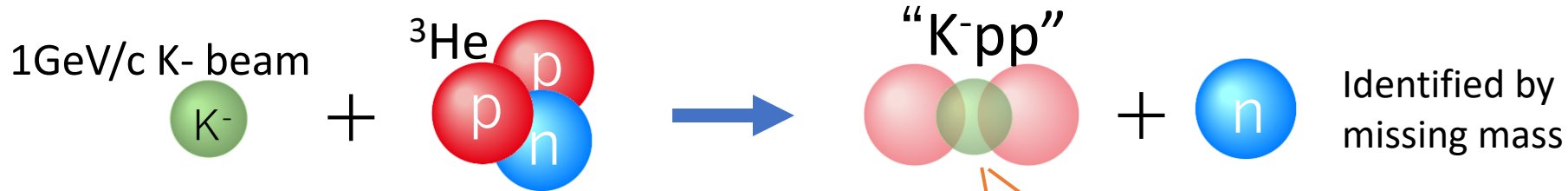
K- mass
reduction
in medium?

Theoretical calculation suggests shrinkage of
the system. Glue like role of K.
This early study may not be realistic, but interesting
thing may happen.



J-PARC E15 – $\bar{K}NN$ (“K-pp”)

$$q_x = |\mathbf{p}_{K^-}^{\text{lab}} - \mathbf{p}_n^{\text{lab}}|,$$



• Exclusive analysis

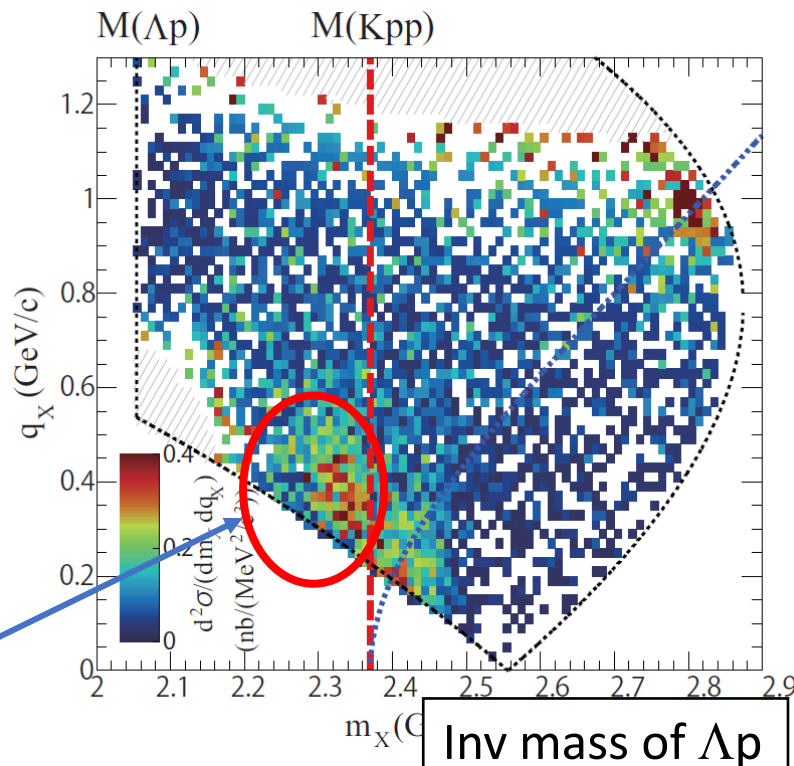
- “K-pp” invariant mass.
- Missing mass to identify neutron

Quasi-free process.

$$M = \sqrt{4m_N^2 + m_K^2 + 4m_N \sqrt{m_K^2 + q_x^2}}$$

Momentum transfer = K^{bar} momentum

q_x : Momentum transfer to the Λp system

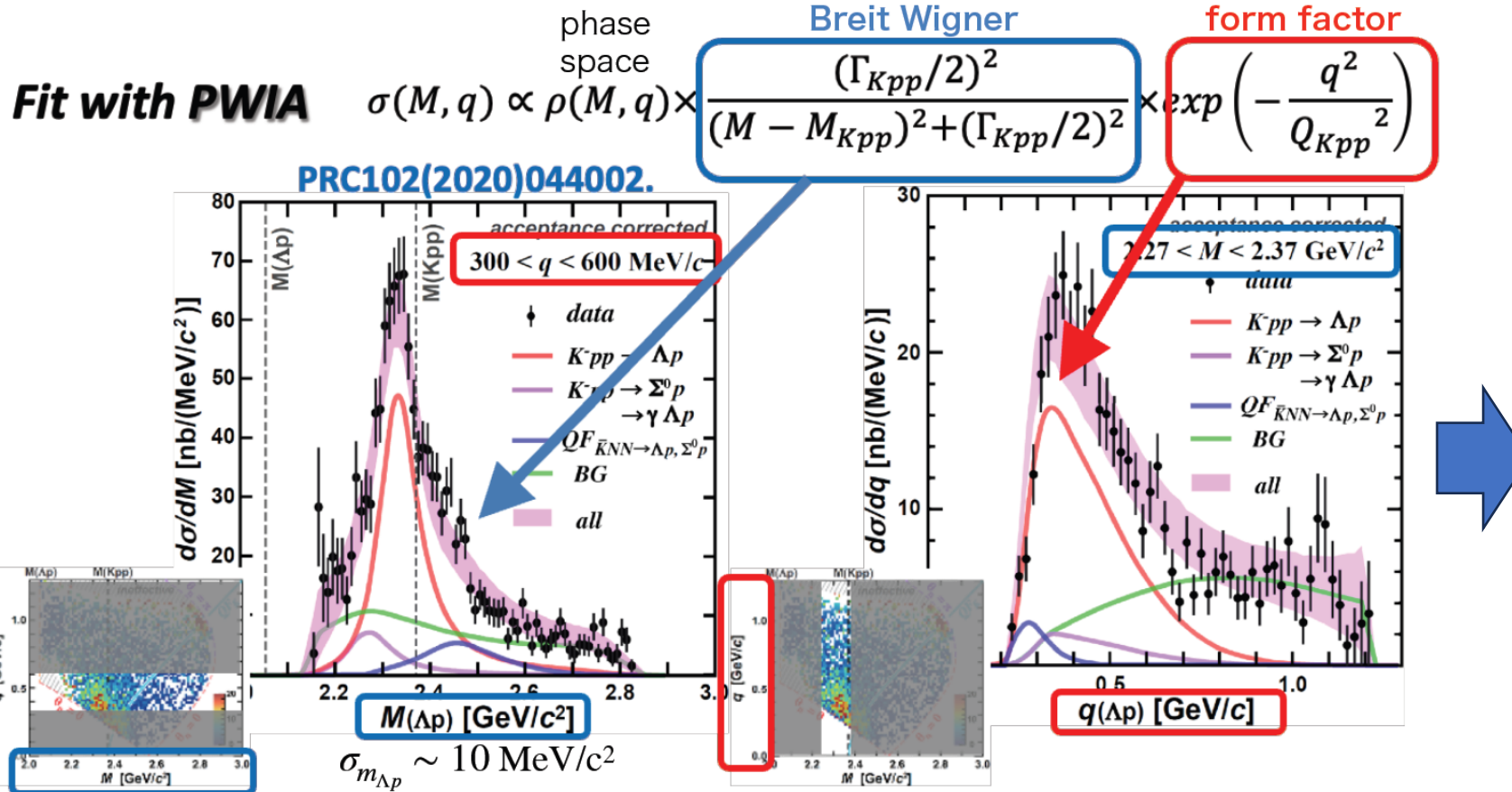


Momentum transfer independent component “K-pp” bound state!

Inv mass of Λp

“ $\bar{K}NN$ ” model fitting

$0.3 < q_x < 0.6$ GeV/c: Signals are well separated from other process



$B_{Kpp} \sim 40$ MeV, $\Gamma_{Kpp} \sim 100$ MeV
 \rightarrow large binding energy

$Q_{kpp} \sim 400$ MeV (c.f. $Q_{QF} \sim 200$ MeV)

$$R = \frac{\hbar (2m_N + m_{\bar{K}})}{Q} \sim 0.6 \text{ fm}$$

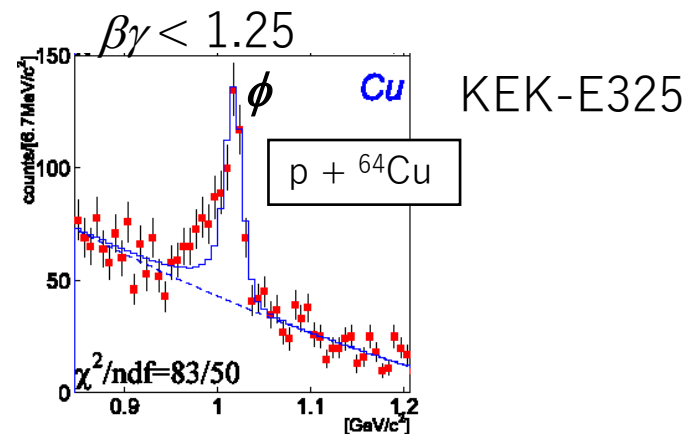
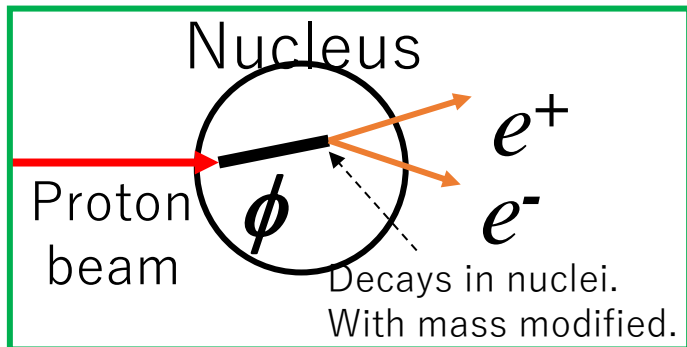
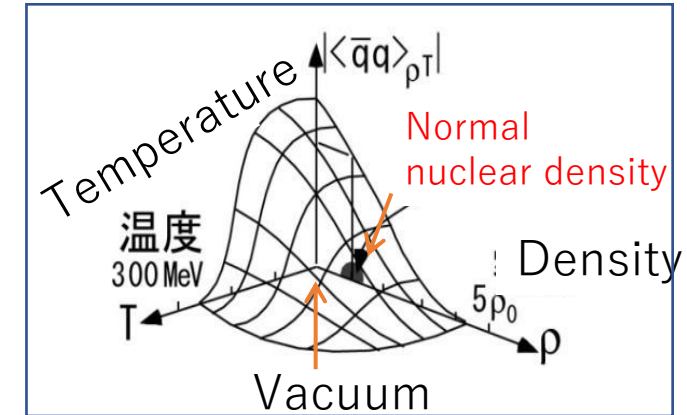
Indication of compact system.

- Mesonic decay published
 - Yamaga et al. PRC110, 014002 (2024)
- Preliminary $\bar{K}NN$ results obtained. Effort continued \rightarrow J-PARC E80
- Upgrading detector.
 - x1.6 larger solid angle
 - x4 higher neutron detection eff.
 - Aim at data taking 2026.
- To study
 - $\bar{K}NN$ (J-PARC E80)
 - $\bar{K}NN$ in detail.
 - Spin parity
 - Isospin partner K-pn
 - And more...

High-p : J-PARC E16 [on-going] ϕ meson in nuclei

- Spontaneous breaking of chiral symmetry plays an important role in generating hadron mass.
- Chiral symmetry breaking $\langle \bar{q}q \rangle \neq 0$ depends on density, so the hadron mass.
- KEK E325
 - $12\text{GeV } p + A \rightarrow \rho/\omega/\phi \rightarrow e^+e^-$
 - Observed what can be interpreted as an in-medium spectral change.
 ϕ mass 3.4% reduction at $\rho_0 \rightarrow$ symmetry restored?
- **J-PARC E16 experiment:**
 - $30\text{GeV } p + A \rightarrow \rho/\omega/\phi \rightarrow e^+e^-$, (K^+K^- E88)
 - Compared to E325, 6 times stat in 1st Run, Resolution $11 \rightarrow 6$ MeV
 - Spectrometer constructed for 1st physics run.
 - Commissioning run finished in June 2024.
 - 1st physics RUN in FY2025.

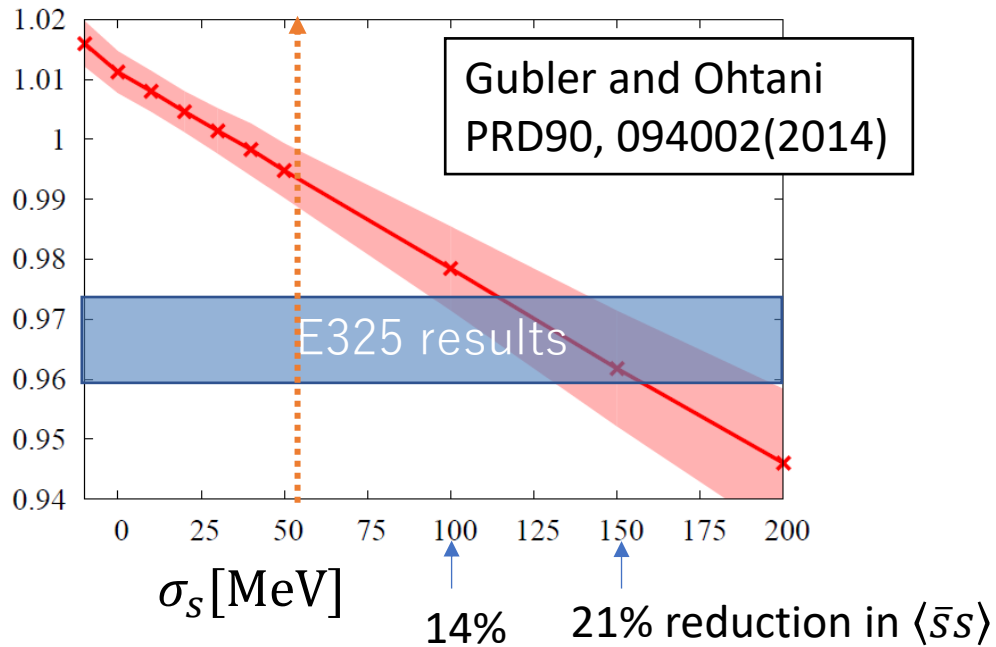
NJL model
M. Lutz et al.
Nucl. Phys. A542,52(1992)



QCD sum rule connects mass to condensates

- QCD sum rule connects:
 - [mass of ϕ meson] and $\langle \bar{s}s \rangle_\rho$
- At leading order,

$$\langle \bar{s}s \rangle_\rho = \langle \bar{s}s \rangle_0 + \langle N | \bar{s}s | N \rangle \cdot \rho$$



- Chiral-odd twist-3 distribution function $e^s(\mathbf{x})$

Definition for parton “a” (Arxiv: hep-ph/0312044)

$$e^a(x) = M_N \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dz_0}{2\pi} e^{ixM_N z_0} \langle N | \bar{\psi}_a(0) \psi_a(z) | N \rangle_{z_3=-z_0, z_\perp=0}$$

Integral gives σ_s

$$\int_{-1}^1 dx [e^s(x)] = \sigma_s / \hat{m}_s$$

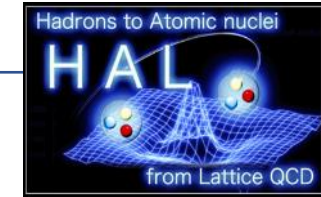
$$\int_{-1}^1 dx [e^u(x) + e^d(x)] = \sigma_{\pi N} / \hat{m}$$

$\langle \bar{s}s \rangle_\rho$: s-quark condensate at density ρ

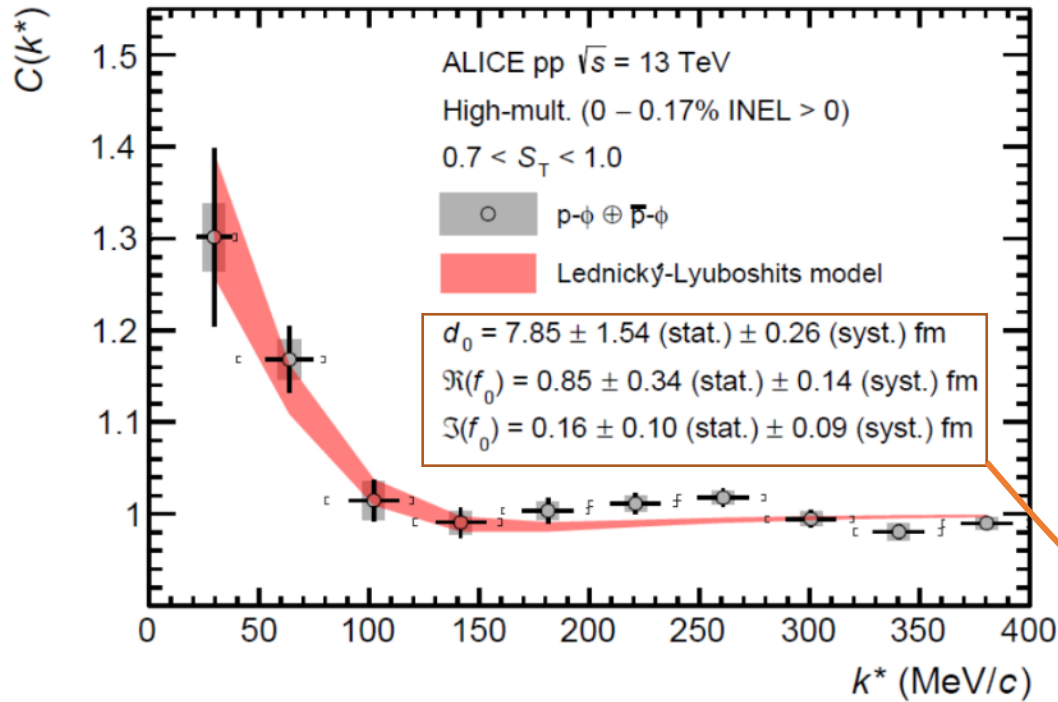
$$\sigma_s = m_s \cdot \langle N | \bar{s}s | N \rangle$$

Information from p - ϕ interaction

Attractive interaction \rightarrow mass reduction



ALICE two particle correlation



Phys. Rev. Lett. 127, 172301(2021)

f_0, a_0 : scattering length.
 d_0, r_0 : effective range.

HAL QCD method

arXiv:2205.10544 (2022)

Scattering length and effective ranges are deduced for spin 3/2 combination.

$$a_0^{(3/2)} = -1.43(23) \text{ fm}$$

$$r_0^{(3/2)} = 2.36(10) \text{ fm}$$

• Mass reduction

- HAL QCD: $5.3\% \pm 0.4\%$
- ALICE: $5.8\% \pm 1.8\%$
- E325 : $3.4\%^{+0.6}_{-0.7}$

$f_0, d_0 \rightarrow$ First order optical potential

$$V(r) \sim \frac{1}{2m_\phi} 4\pi\rho(r) \frac{b}{1 + \frac{b}{d_0}}, \quad b = f_0 \left(1 + \frac{m_\phi}{m_{proton}}\right)$$

$$= \Delta M + i\Gamma/2$$

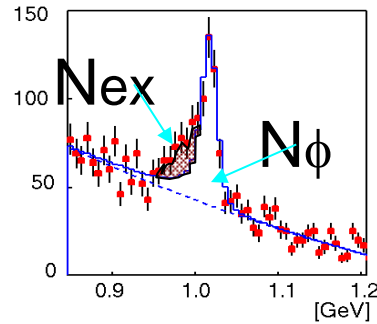
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And
 E. Chizzali, R. Del Grande, L. Fabbietti

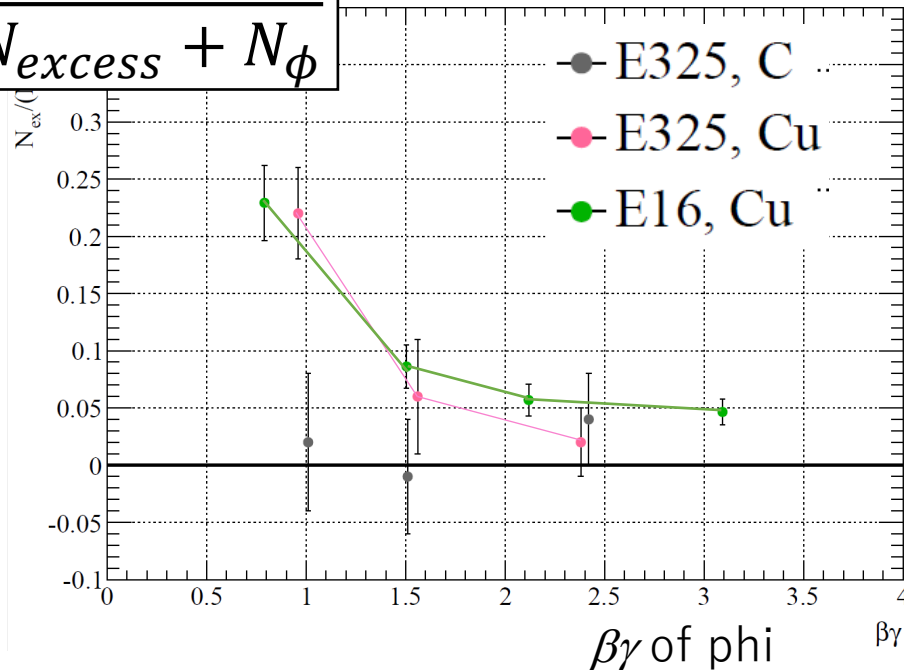
J-PARC E16

- 1st RUN expectation and beyond.

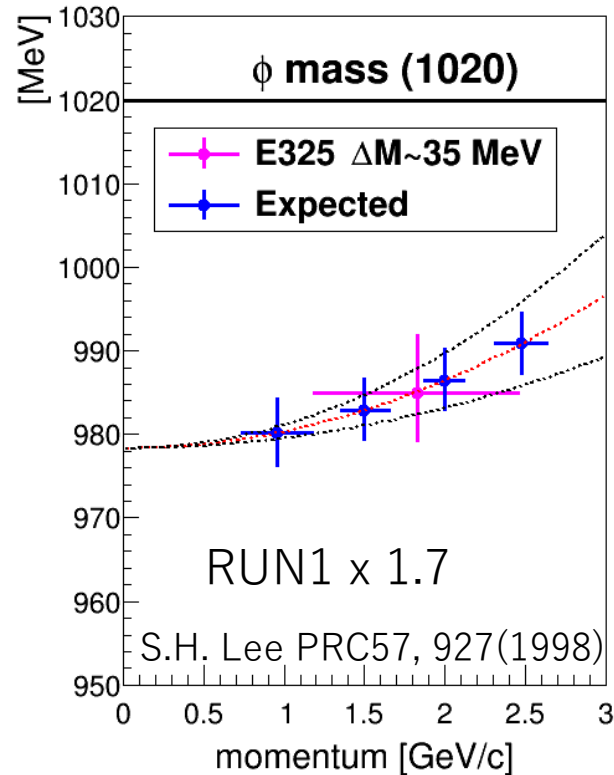
1st RUN expectation.
Clear tendency



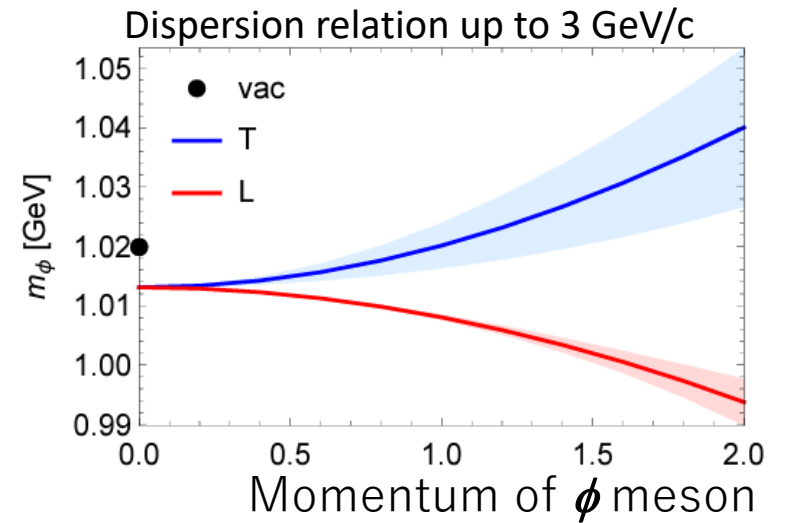
$$\frac{N_{excess}}{N_{excess} + N_\phi}$$



Dispersion relation can be obtained.



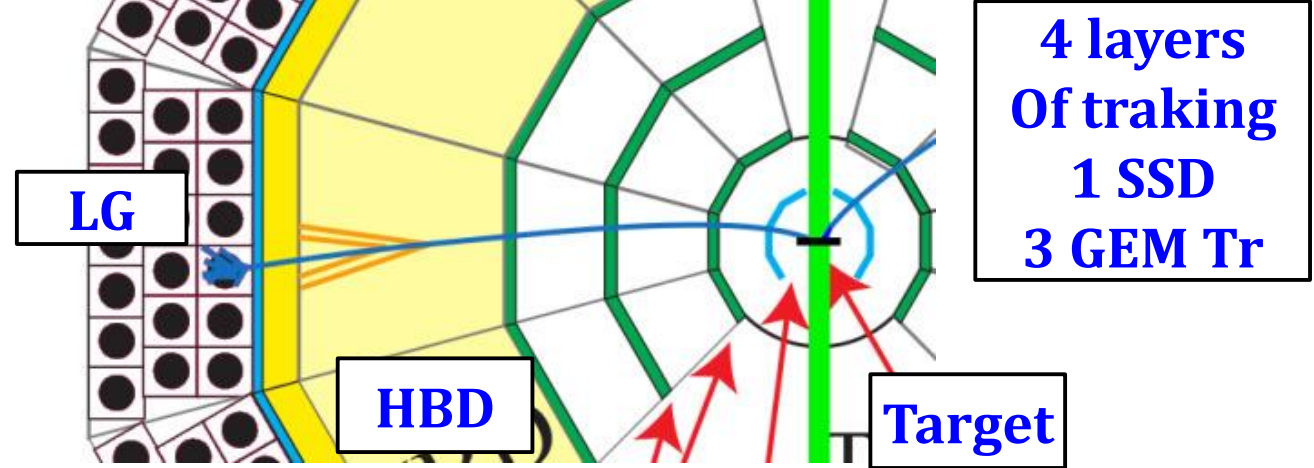
Polarization dependence can be accessed.



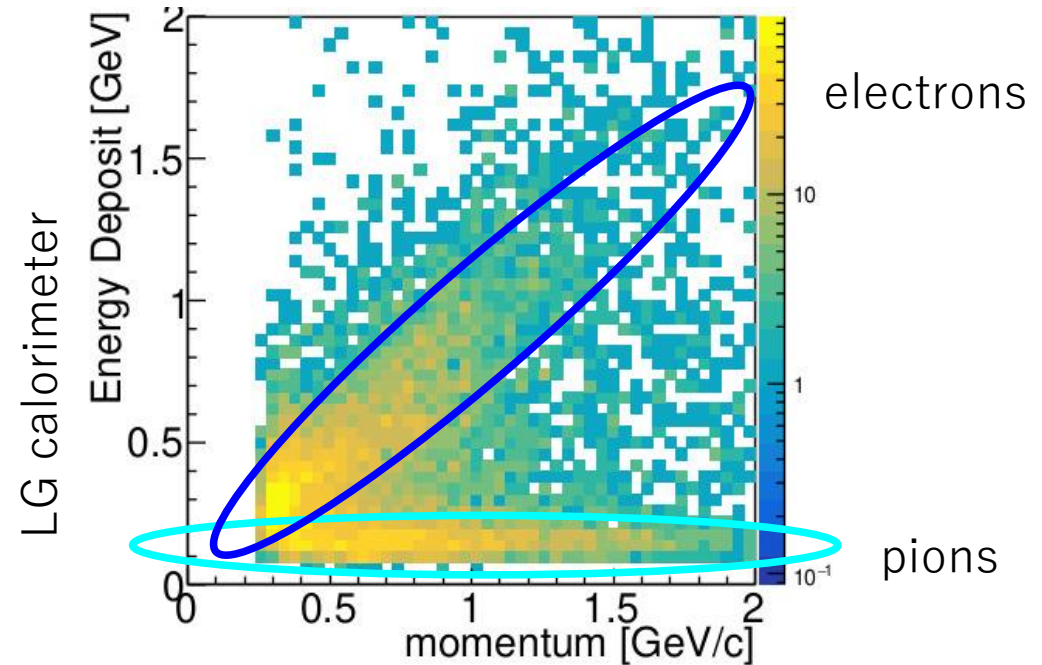
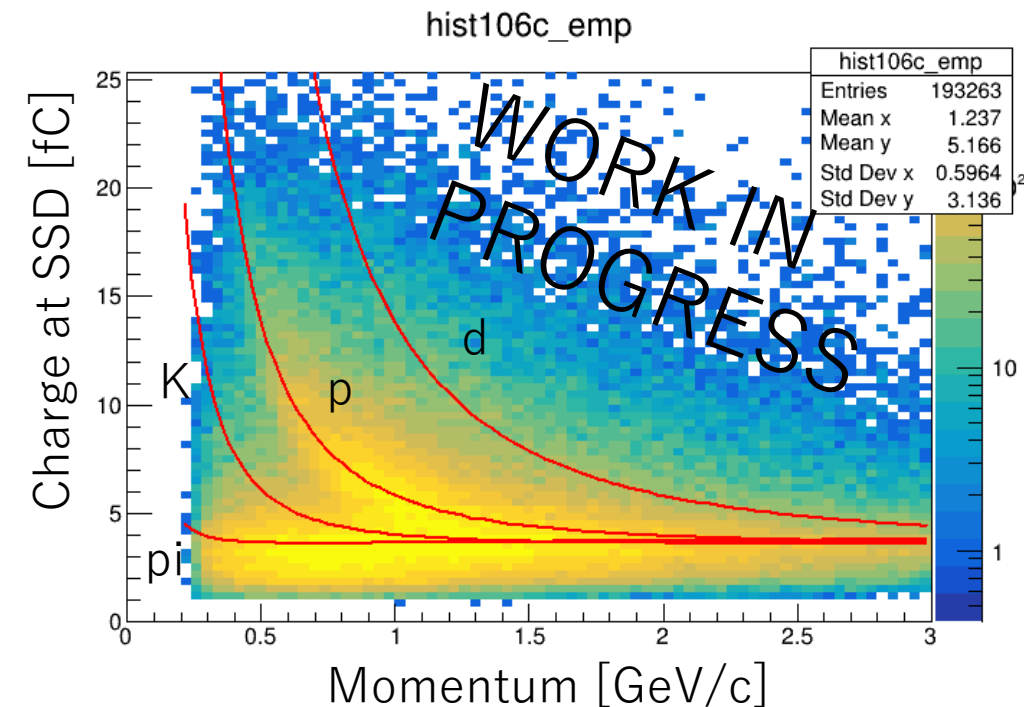
H.J. Kim, P.Gubler, PLB805, 135412 (2020)
I.W. Park et al, PRD 107, 074033 (2023)

J-PARC E16 from commissioning run.

- Tracking: 1-layer of Silicon detector and 3-layers of GEM tracker.
- Silicon detector was developed in collaboration with GSI-CBM.
- Clear proton locus. SSD worked.



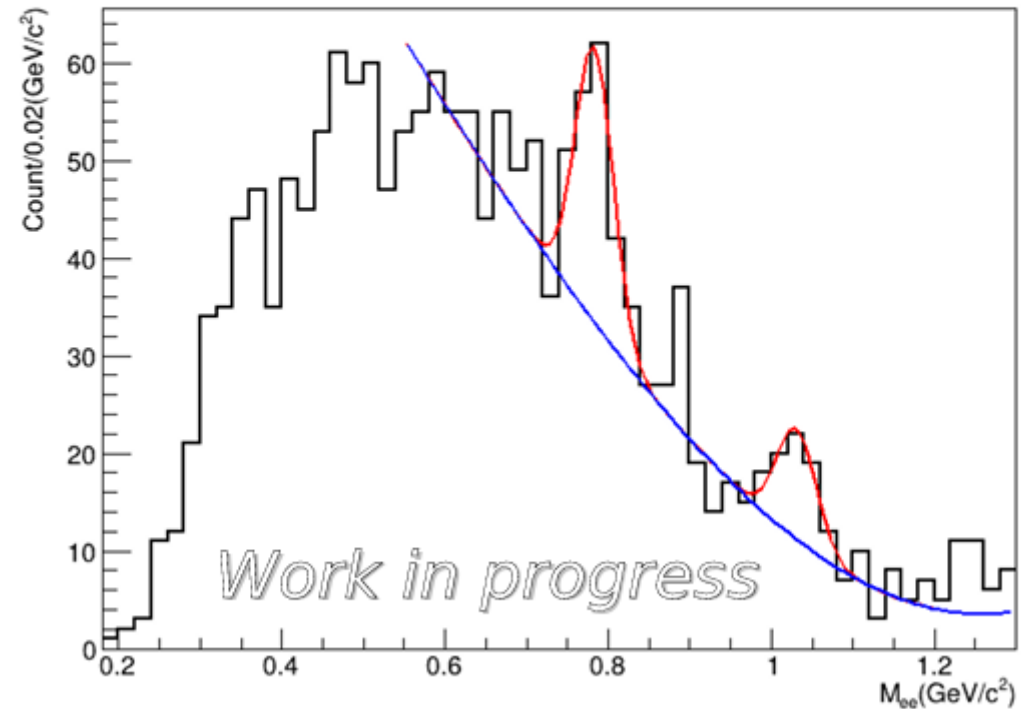
- Hadron Blind Detector (Cherenkov detector) to enhance electrons.
- Clear Momentum vs Energy (deposit on LG calorimeter) correlation of electron seen.



J-PARC E16 : ω and ϕ meson peaks.

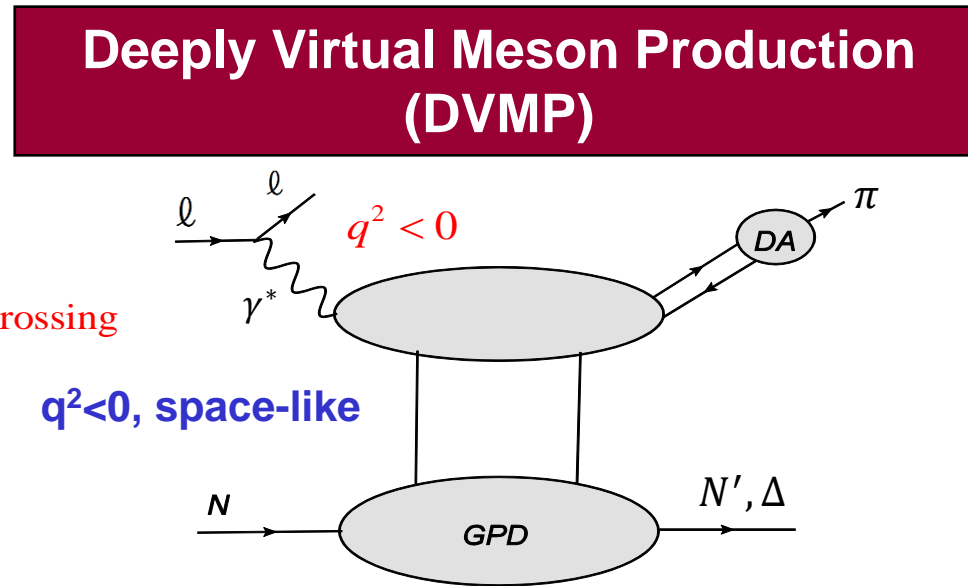
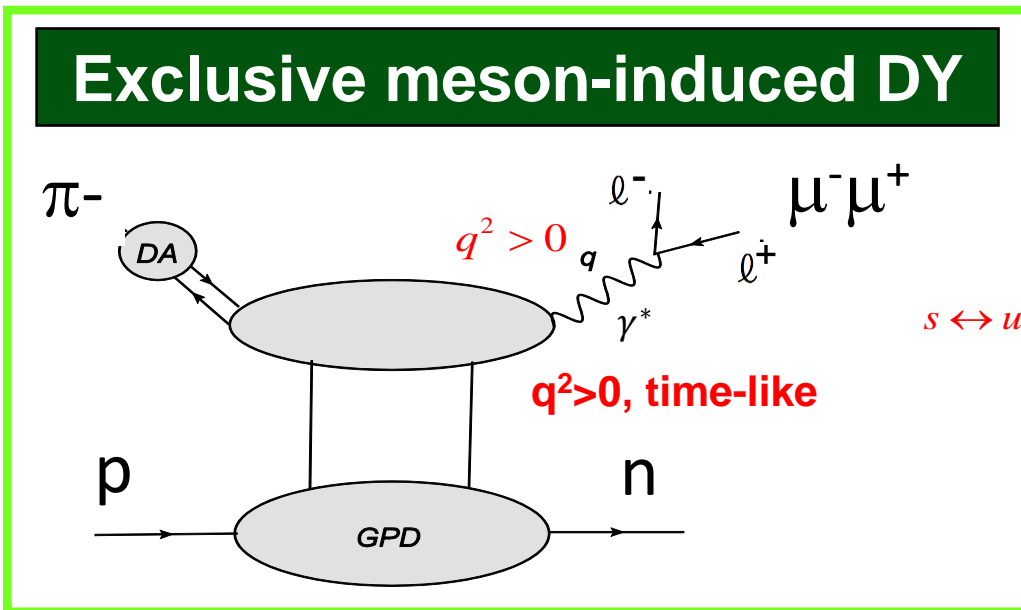
- Calibration ongoing to get better resolution and for better reconstruction efficiency.

e^+e^- invariant mass
(red: Gauss fit,
blue: polynomial bkg)



Exclusive Drell-Yan [high-p, LOI]

Muller et al., PRD 86 031502(R) (2012)

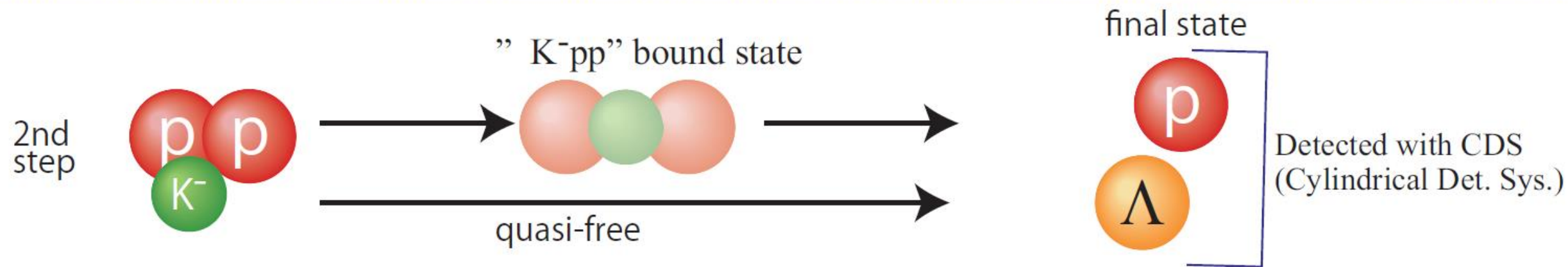
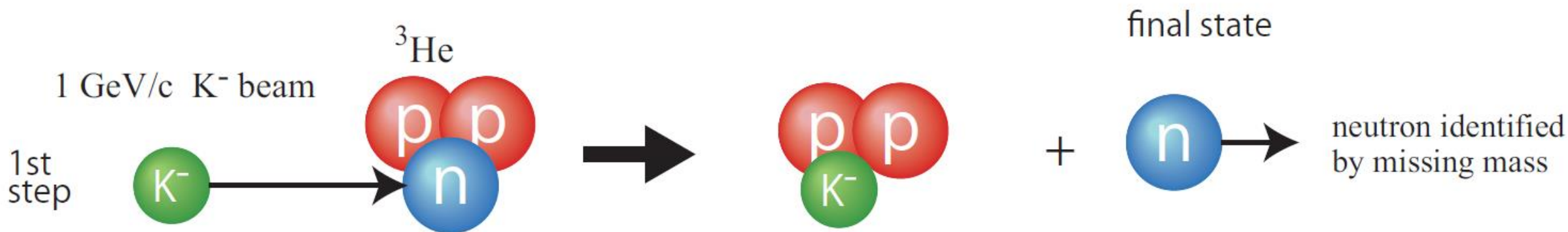


- Upgraded high-p beamline can provide high momentum secondary particles.
 - $\pi^- p \rightarrow n \gamma^* \rightarrow n \mu^+ \mu^-$
 - $\pi^- = 10 \sim 20 \text{ GeV}/c$, $\sim 10^7 / \text{spill}$, $dp/p \sim 0.1\%$
 - $\mu^+ \mu^-$ measured by spectrometer. $dM/M \sim 1\%$
 - Neutron identified by missing mass—ensuring exclusive proc.
- Sensitive to pion-DA and, nucleon GPDs (in ERBL region)
 - $\tilde{H}^d - \tilde{H}^u$ and $\tilde{E}^d - \tilde{E}^u$.

$$\tilde{H}^u(x, \xi, t) \text{ etc..}$$

Summary

- J-PARC hosts various physics programs to understand strongly interacting system from quarks to neutron stars.
- Some of experimental results, on-going and planned experiments are discussed
 - $S=-1, -2$ hyper nucleus spectroscopy
 - \bar{K} NN
 - Φ in nucleus
 - Pion-DY.



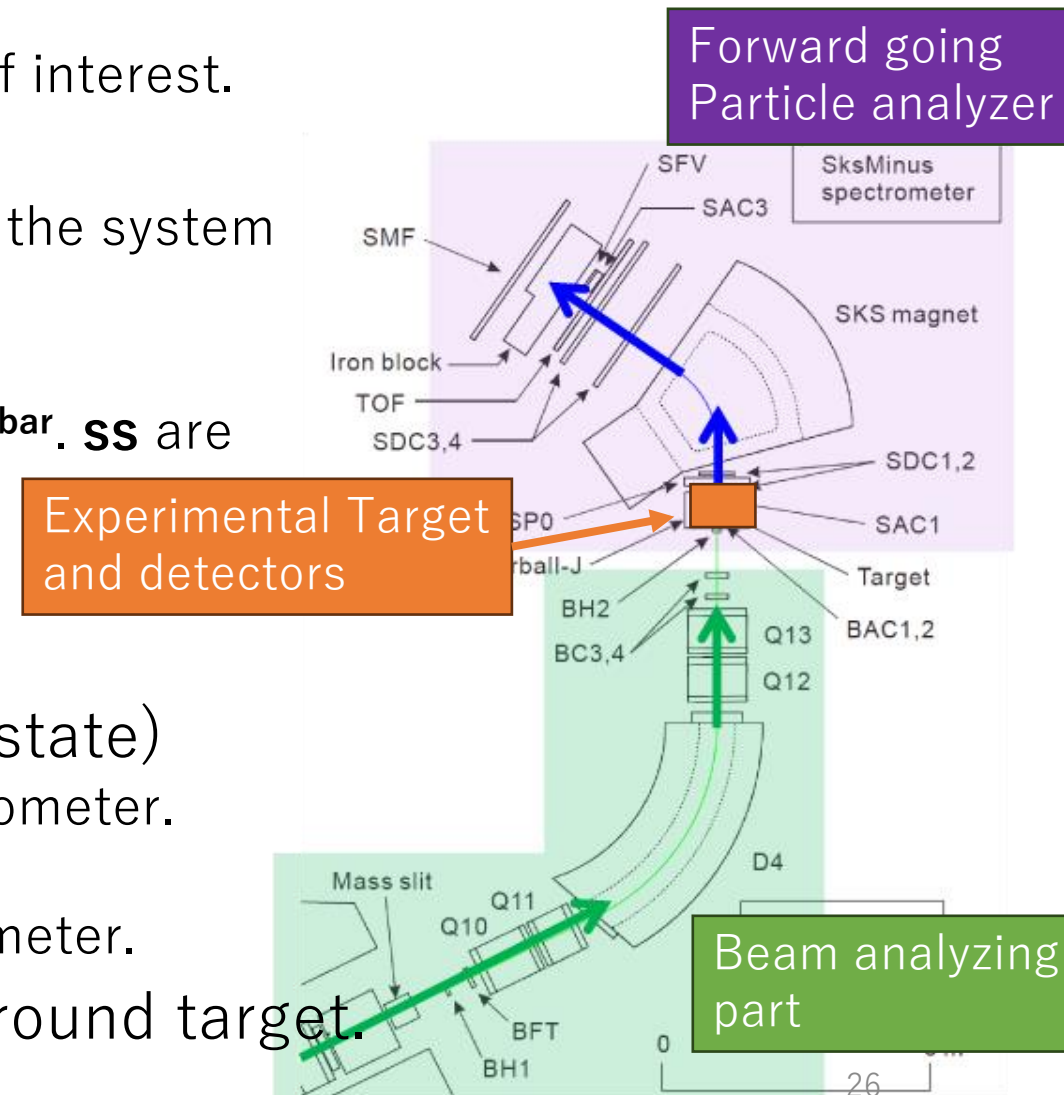
K1.8 beam line : $S=-1, -2$ hypernucleus, YN scattering experiment.

Hyperon, hypernuclei production scheme

- (beam, out-going particle)
- (K^-, π) -- $S=-1$ system
 - \mathbf{s} in the beam and the \mathbf{s} is put into the system of interest.
- (π, K^+) -- $S=-1$ system
 - $\mathbf{s}\mathbf{s}^{\text{bar}}$ pair created. K^+ take away \mathbf{s}^{bar} . \mathbf{s} is put in the system of interest.
- (K^-, K^+) -- $S=-2$ system
 - \mathbf{s} in the beam and $\mathbf{s}\mathbf{s}^{\text{bar}}$ created. K^+ take away \mathbf{s}^{bar} . $\mathbf{s}\mathbf{s}$ are put into the system of interest.

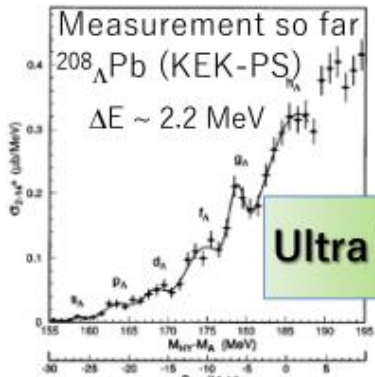
K1.8 common concept

- Missing mass technique. (Initial state)
 - \leftrightarrow invariant Mass (Final state)
 - Incoming beam is analyzed by beam line spectrometer.
 - Experimental target. (Seed of hypernuclei)
 - Out-going particle analyzed by forward spectrometer.
- Experiment specific detectors are placed around target.
 - γ -ray detectors / nuclear emulsion etc..



Hadron Hall Extension

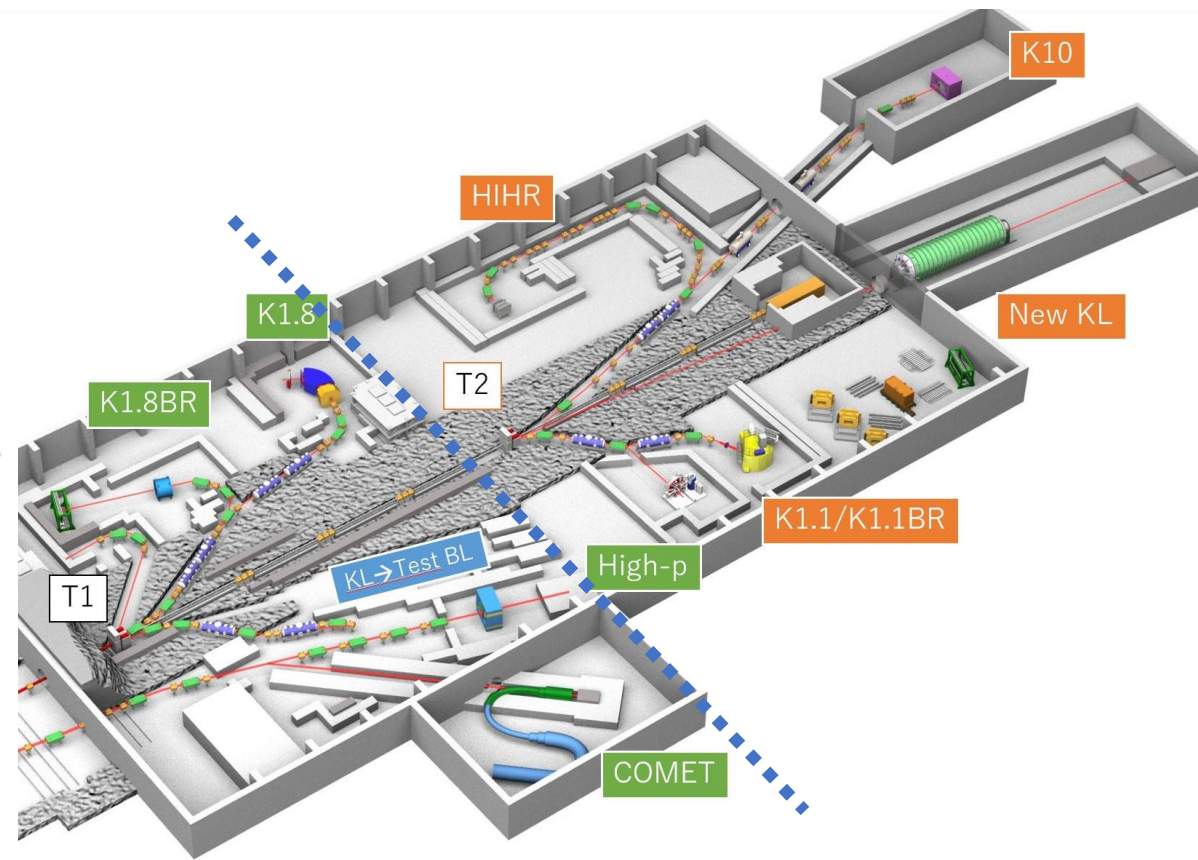
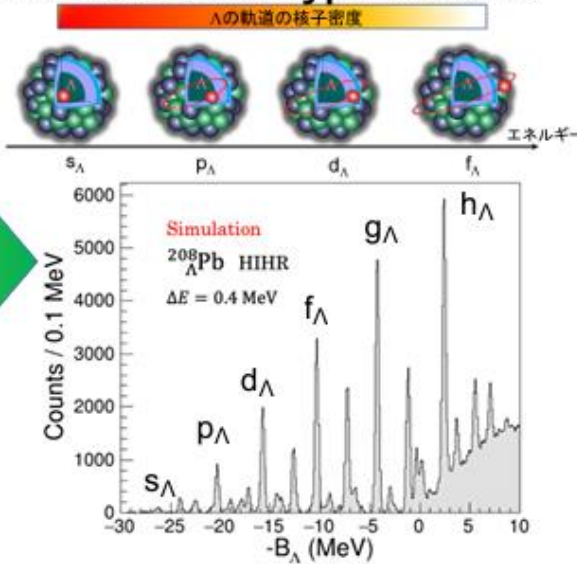
Elucidation of **YN interaction in nuclear matter**
 First high-resolution spectroscopy of the heaviest Λ hypernucleus



Ultra high-resolution

Resolution 400 keV
 (5 times better than KEK-PS)

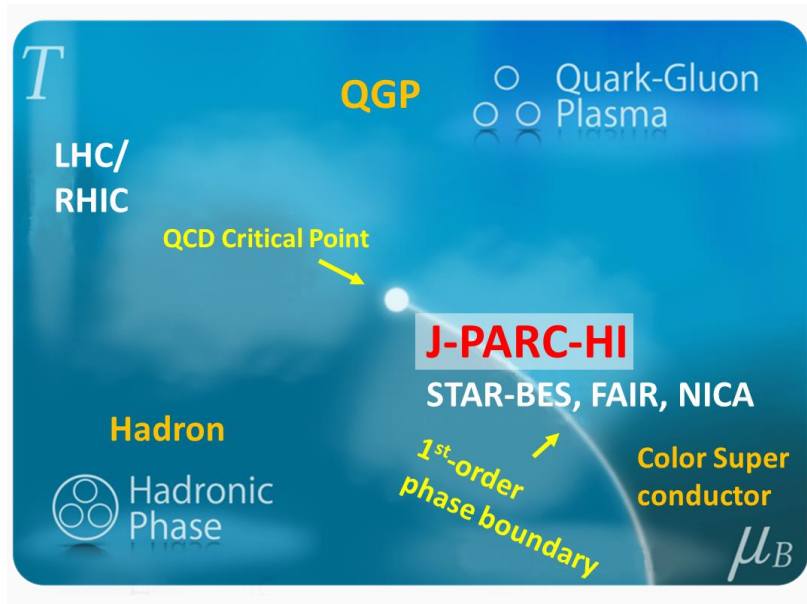
World's first high-precision spectroscopy of the heaviest Λ hypernucleus ($^{208}_{\Lambda}\text{Pb}$)



- Selected 1st priority in KEK PIP2022 (Project Implementation Plan)
- More beam lines with additional functionality
 - HIHR : High Intensity High Resolution beam by dispersion matching.
 - High precision systematic Λ hypernuclear spectroscopy up to Pb. Reveal 3BF.
 - K10 $\Omega\Xi^*$ spectroscopy, K1.1 polarized Λp scattering, New KL.

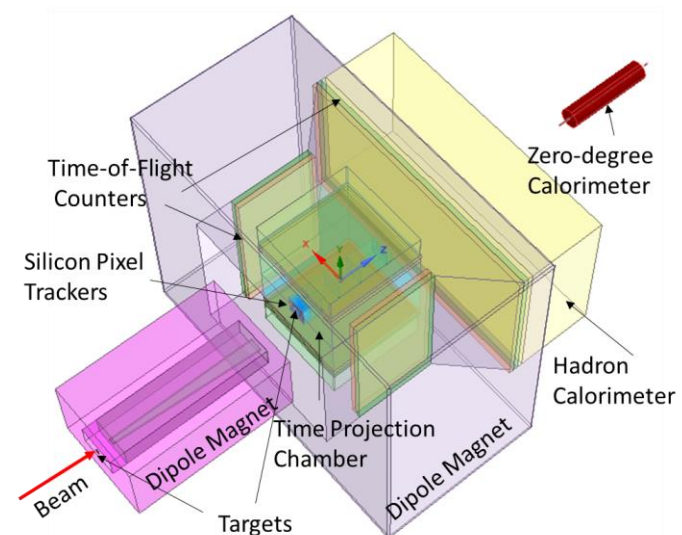
Future J-PARC Heavy Ion program

Explore the QCD phase diagram



EOS of Neutron Star
 New state of the matter
 Quark Phase
 Color Super conductivity
 Hadron physics in finite density

- Facility Upgrades Plan
 - New accelerator injector
 - New spectrometer
- Staging approach
 - Phase1:
 - Beam Intensity: 10^8 Hz for Au
 - Upgrade of the current E16 spectrometer
 - New LINAC and reuse of KEK-PS booster
 - Phase 2
 - Beam Intensity: 10^{11} Hz
 - New booster and new spectrometer



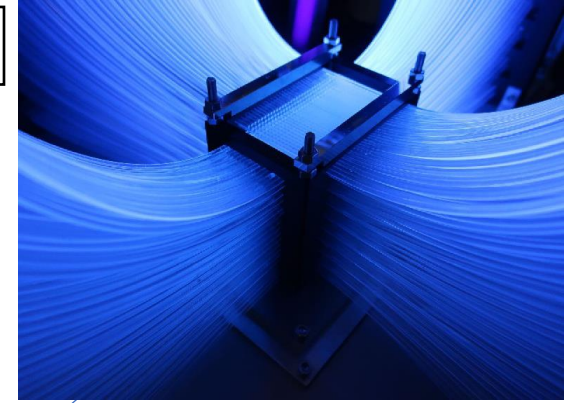
Schematic view of final spectrometer

$$E_{\text{lab}}(\text{Au}) = 1-12 \text{ AGeV}$$

$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 1.9-4.9 \text{ GeV}$$

J-PARC E05(done) and E70(data taking)

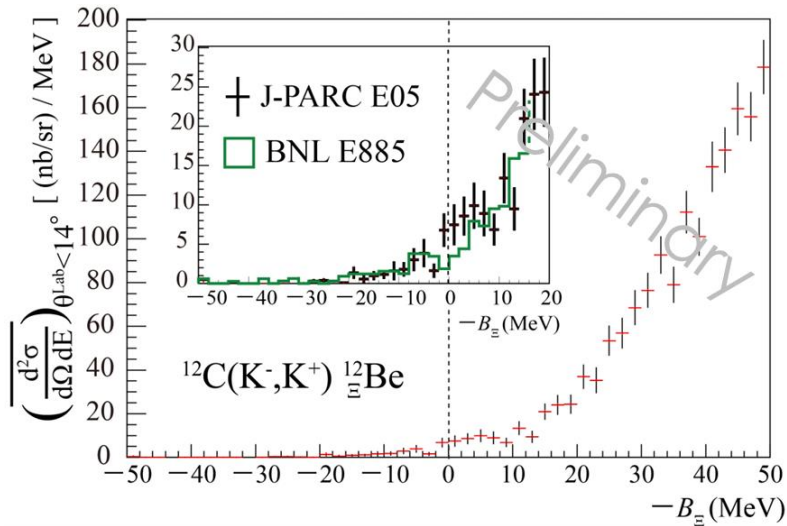
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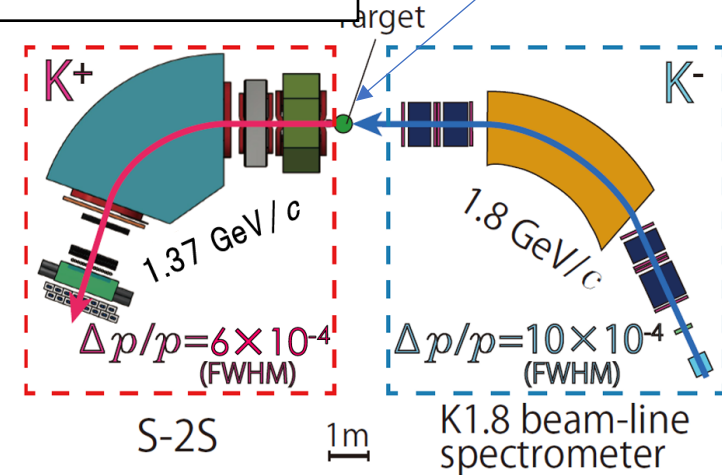
- ${}^{12}_{\Xi}\text{Be}$ via ${}^{12}\text{C}(K^-, K^+)$ reaction.
- Ξ^- nucleus search by
 - Missing mass.

J-PARC E70: data taking.
 +Spectrometer upgrade
 +Active Fiber Target : Measure energy loss in target. Correction.

J-PARC E05 results [submitted]
 Events in bound region. Not clear.

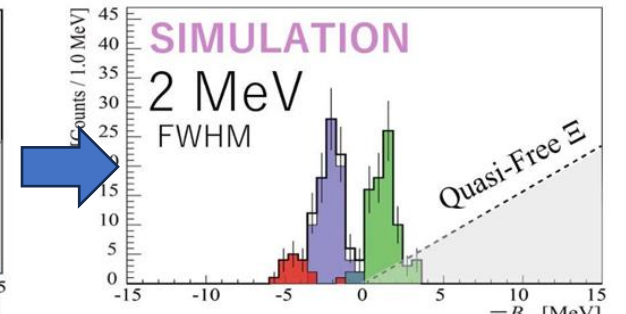
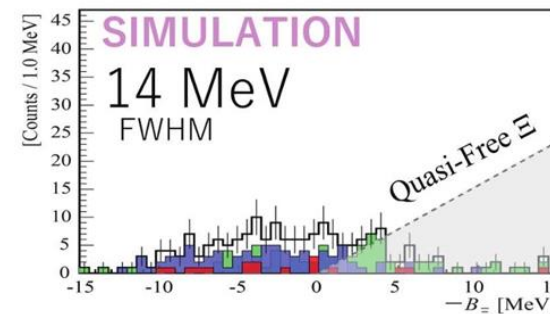


Resolution : 8 MeV (FWHM)



BNL E885 resolution

E70 resolution

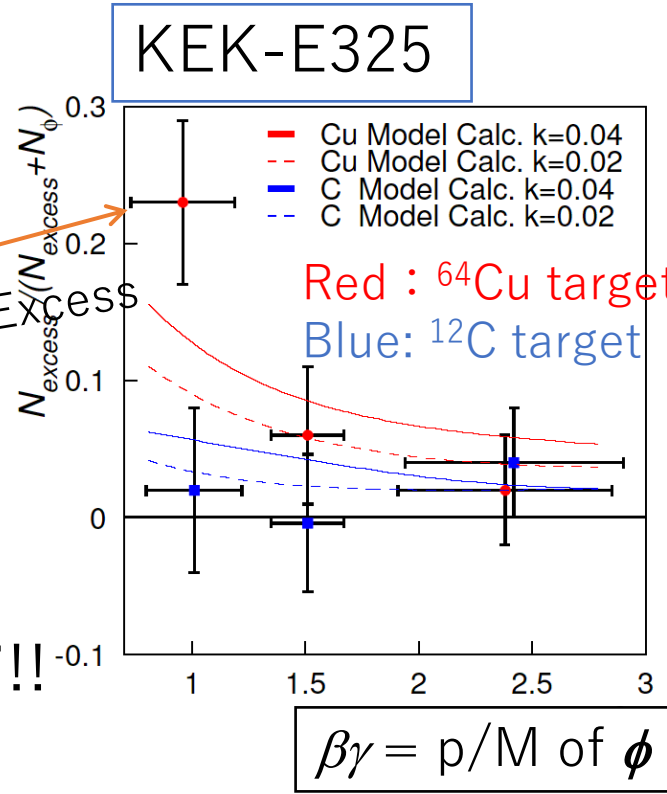
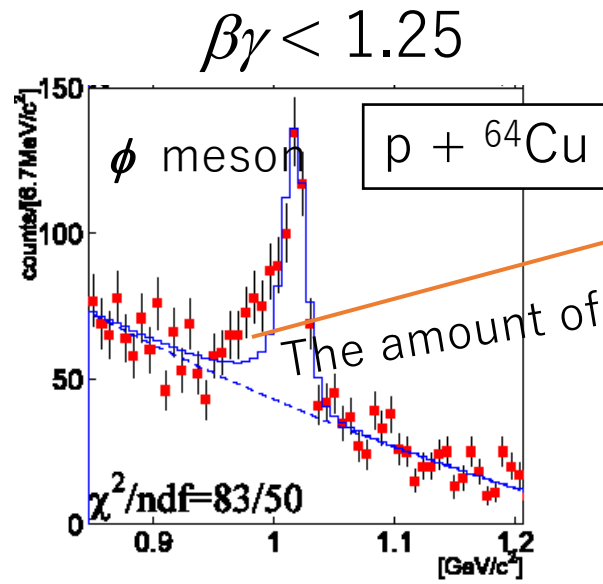
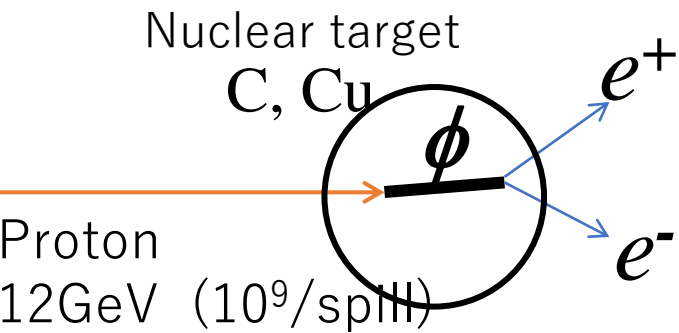


T. Gogami et al, EPJ web conf 271, 11002

($J^{\pi} = 1_1^-, 1_2^-, 1_3^-$)

KEK-E325 results of ϕ meson

- The world's first results of ϕ modification.



Assumption
In analysis

$$\frac{m(\rho)}{m(0)} = 1 - k_1 \left(\frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \right)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma(\rho)}{\Gamma(0)} = 1 + k_2 \left(\frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \right)$$

- Conclusion: Mass decreases in nuclei!!
 - Under the assumption of linear dependence of mass and width on density.
 - Mass: $-3.4^{+0.6}_{-0.7}\%$ \downarrow At normal nuclear density
 - Width: $\times 3.6^{+1.8}_{-1.2}$

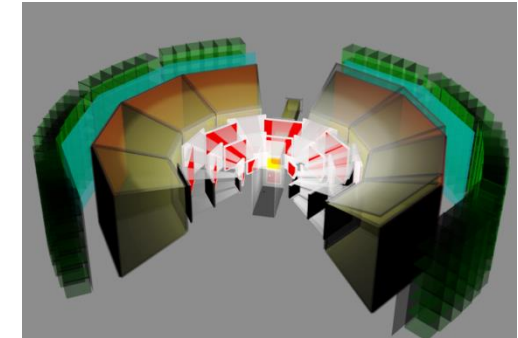
Staging approach

- **RUN 0a/b/c/d - 2020,2021,2023** – 413hrs.
 - **10 (SSD) + 8 (GTR) + 8 (HBD) + 8 (LG)** at last
 - Gradually increased acceptance and reached interm. Goal.
 - C+Cu targets
 - Beam / Detector commissioning
- **RUN 0e - 2024 (Apr.19-Jun.3) -- 206 hours.**
 - **8(SSD) + 10 (GTR) + 8 (HBD) + 8 (LG)**
 - Beam / Detector comm. + yield.
 - Upgraded Accelerator / DAQ. / Detectors.

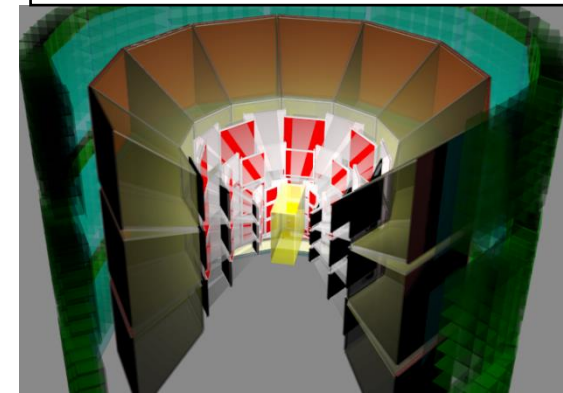
- **RUN 1 2025(?)** -- 1280hrs (~53days)
 - **10 (SSD) + 10 (GTR) + 8 (HBD) + 8(LG)**
 - Physics data taking. ϕ : 15k for Cu.
 - Needs PAC approval based on comm. Runs.
- **RUN 2** -- 2560 hrs (~107 days)
 - **26 (SSD) + 26 (GTR) + 26 (HBD) + 26 (LG)**
 - + Pb/CH2 target
 - Needs additional budget.

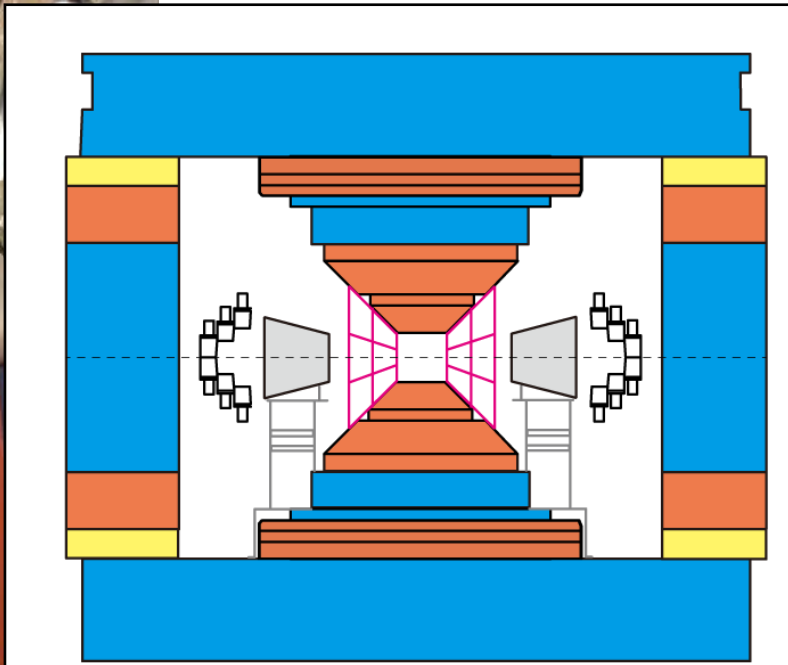
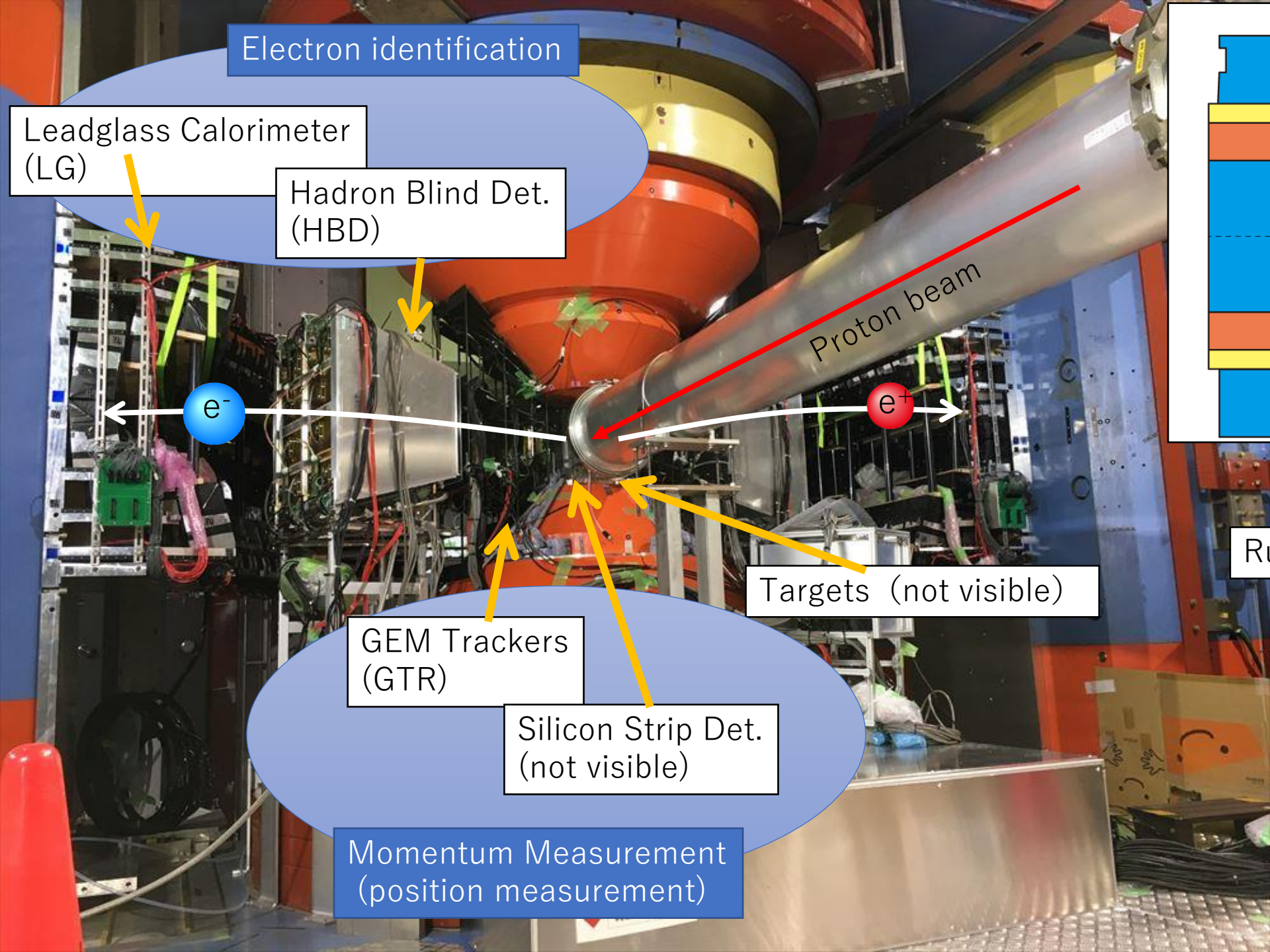
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PAC
Executed!
Approved!

RUN 1 (8 modules)



RUN 2 (26 modules)

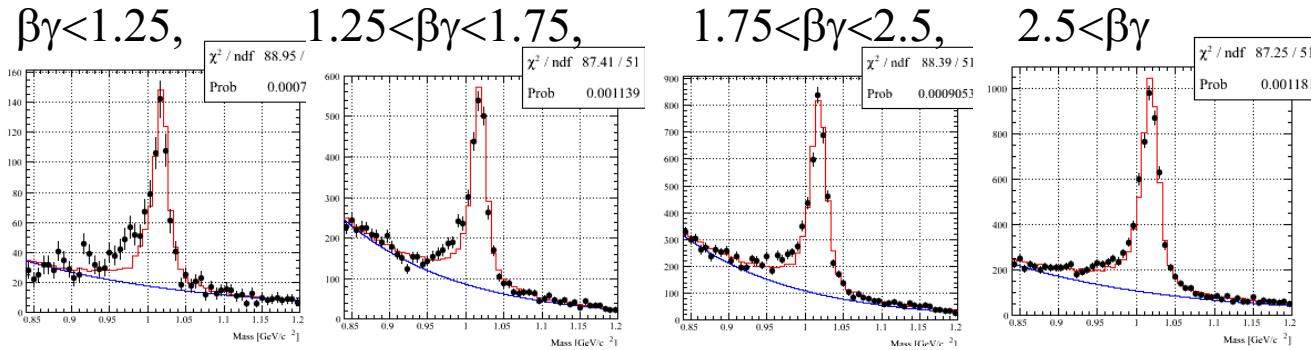




Run0b/c configuration(2021)

RUN1, Cu (INPUT:E325-BW)

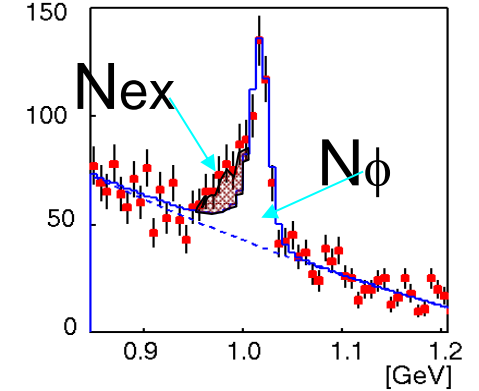
Excess ratio vs $\beta\gamma$



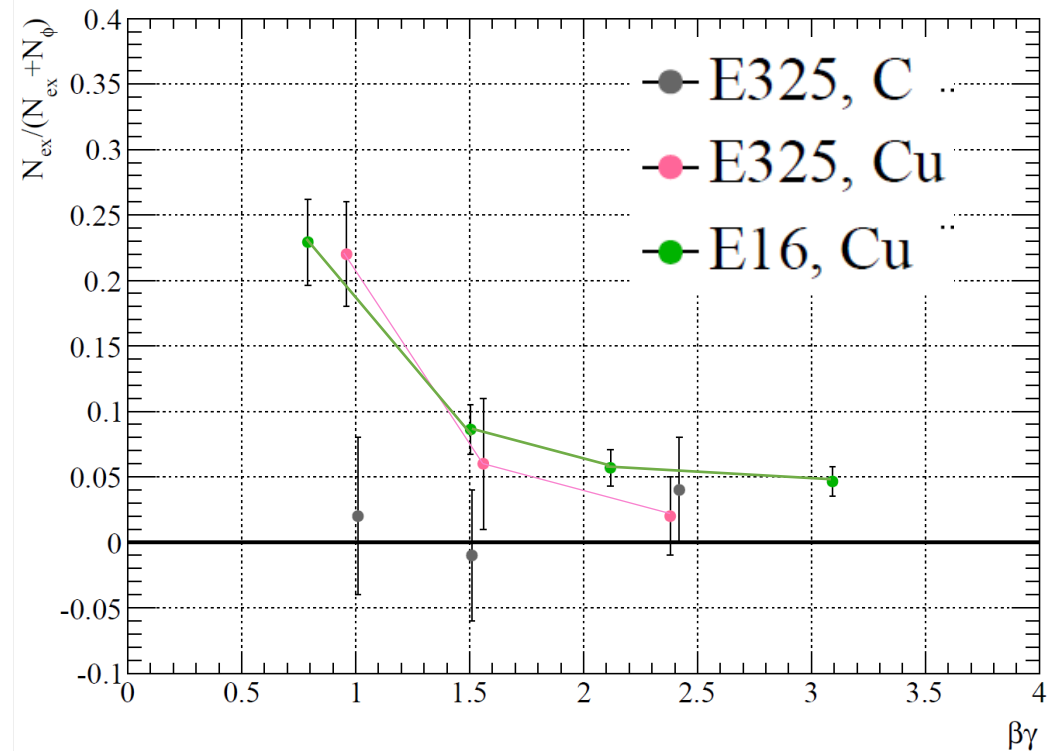
(Fit fails when vacuum shapes are used.)

- $\sim 15\text{k } \phi$ for Cu target expected in RUN1
- All $\beta\gamma$ bins for Cu are significant in E16
- (cf) E325 only fastest $\beta\gamma$ bin is significant.

- Larger excess in lower $\beta\gamma$ bin.
- The tendency becomes clearer and more significant compared to E325.



$$\frac{N_{excess}}{N_{excess} + N_{\phi}}$$



- PRD93, 114034

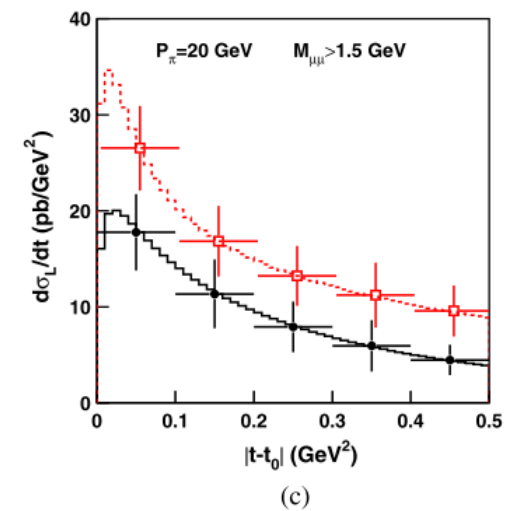
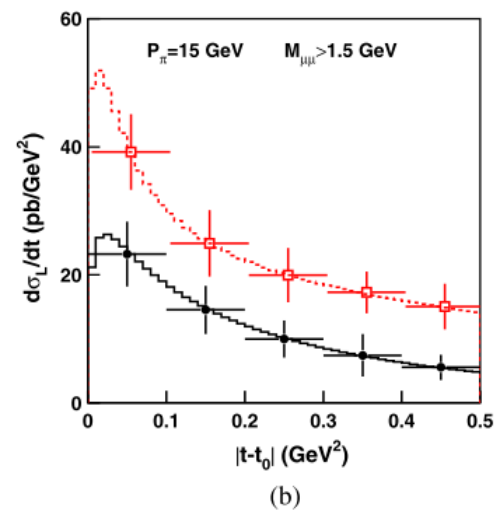
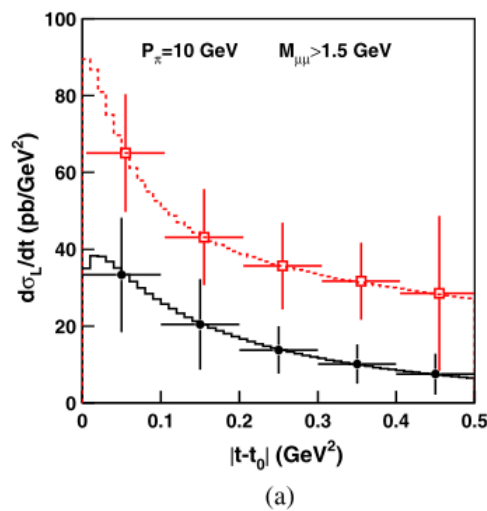
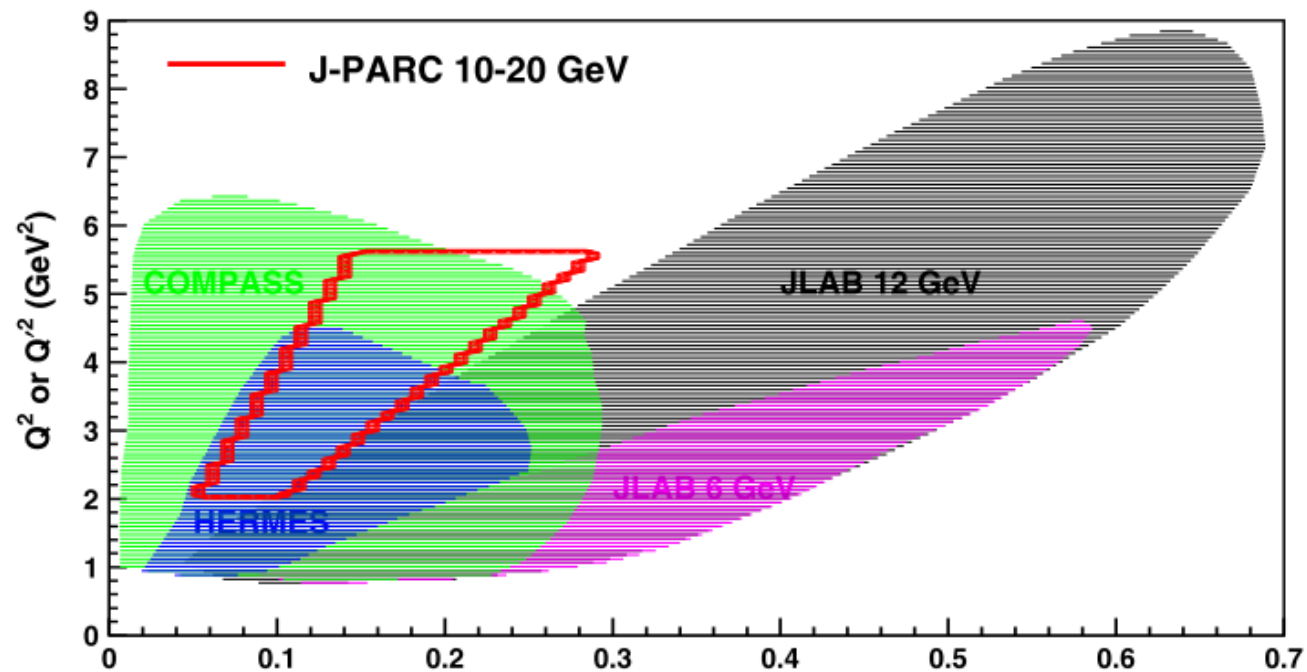
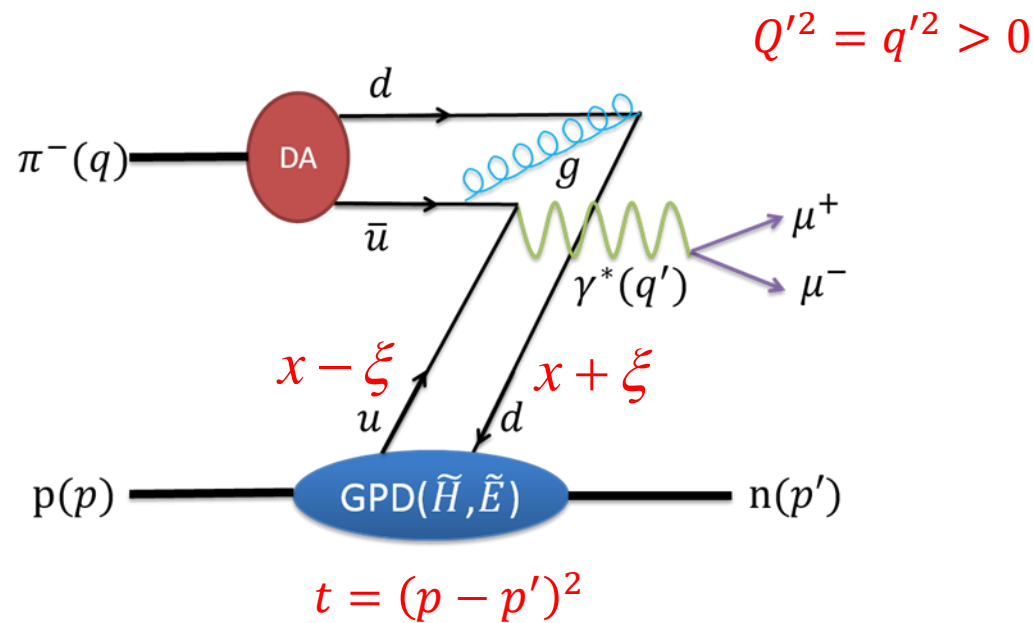


FIG. 15. The expected statistical errors of the exclusive Drell-Yan measurement for two GPDs inputs, BMP2001 (black) and GK2013 (red), as a function of $|t - t_0|$ in the dimuon mass region of $M_{\mu^+\mu^-} > 1.5$ GeV for 10 (a), 15 (b), and 20 (c) GeV beam momentum.

$\pi N \rightarrow l^+ l^- N$ (handbag diagram)

E.R. Berger, M. Diehl, B. Pire, PLB 523 (2001) 265



$$\tau = \frac{Q'^2}{2pq} \approx \frac{Q'^2}{s - M_N^2} \quad \xi = \frac{(p - p')^+}{(p + p')^+} = \frac{\tau}{2 - \tau}$$

$$\tilde{x} = -\frac{(q + q')^2}{2(p + p') \cdot (q + q')} \approx -\frac{Q'^2}{2s - Q'^2} = -\xi$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d\sigma}{dQ'^2 dt d(\cos\theta) d\varphi} \\ &= \frac{\alpha_{\text{em}}}{256\pi^3} \frac{\tau^2}{Q'^6} \sum_{\lambda', \lambda} |M^{0\lambda', \lambda}|^2 \sin^2\theta, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{d\sigma_L}{dt dQ'^2} \right|_{\tau} &= \frac{4\pi\alpha_{\text{em}}^2}{27} \frac{\tau^2}{Q'^8} f_{\pi}^2 \left[(1 - \xi^2) |\tilde{\mathcal{H}}^{du}(\tilde{x}, \xi, t)|^2 \right. \\ & \quad \left. - 2\xi^2 \text{Re}(\tilde{\mathcal{H}}^{du}(\tilde{x}, \xi, t)^* \tilde{\mathcal{E}}^{du}(\tilde{x}, \xi, t)) - \xi^2 \frac{t}{4m_N^2} |\tilde{\mathcal{E}}^{du}(\tilde{x}, \xi, t)|^2 \right], \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathcal{H}}^{du}(\tilde{x}, \xi, t) &= \frac{8}{3} \alpha_s \int_{-1}^1 dz \frac{\phi_\pi(z)}{1-z^2} \\ &\times \int_{-1}^1 dx \left(\frac{e_d}{\tilde{x} - x - i\epsilon} - \frac{e_u}{\tilde{x} + x - i\epsilon} \right) (\tilde{H}^d(x, \xi, t) - \tilde{H}^u(x, \xi, t)), \end{aligned}$$

$$\xi \approx \frac{Q'^2}{2s - Q'^2} = \frac{\tau}{2 - \tau}.$$

$$\tau = \frac{Q'^2}{2p \cdot q} \approx \frac{Q'^2}{s - m_N^2} \approx \frac{Q'^2}{s},$$

$$\tilde{x} = -\frac{(q + q')^2}{2(p + p') \cdot (q + q')} \approx -\frac{Q'^2}{2s - Q'^2} = -\xi$$