

The Extension Project of the J-PARC Hadron Experimental Facility



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Main Ring
Synchrotron

Hadron
Experimental
Facility

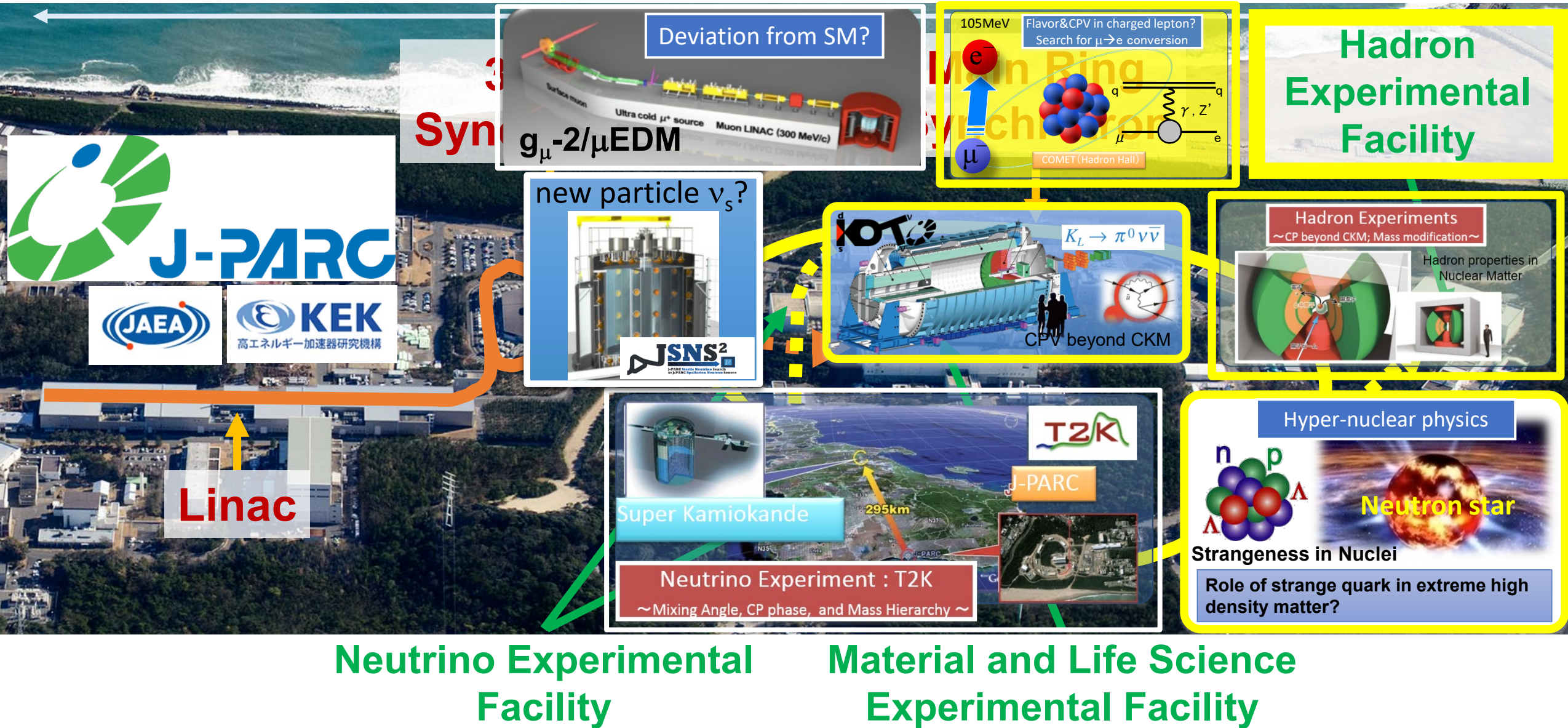
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15th International Conference on Hypernuclear and Strange Particle Physics (HYP2025), 29 September 2025 to 3 October 2025, Tokyo

Neutrino Experimental
Facility

Material and Life Science
Experimental Facility

Particle and Nuclear Physics @ J-PARC



Origin & Evolution of Matter

Matter-Antimatter Symmetry

matter dominated universe

Flavor Physics

CP violation
weak interaction
→ new physics

Kaon rare decays
 $\mu \rightarrow e$ conversion

Origin of Matter Creation

formation of hadrons from quarks

Hadron Physics

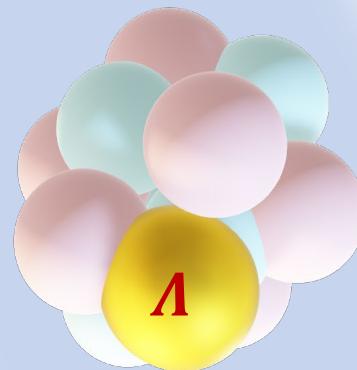
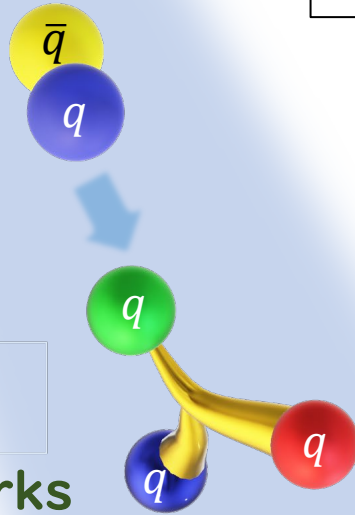
quark interactions
hadron mass-generation mechanism
Hadron spectroscopy
Meson in nuclei

Matter in Extreme Conditions

dense matter in neutron stars

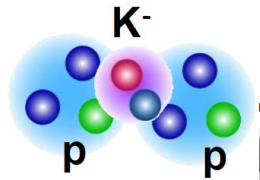
Strangeness Nuclear Physics

hadron interactions
hadronic many-body systems
Hyperon-Nucleon scattering
Hypernuclear spectroscopy



Present Hadron Experimental Facility (HEF)

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

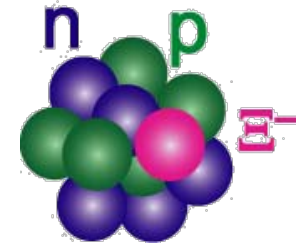


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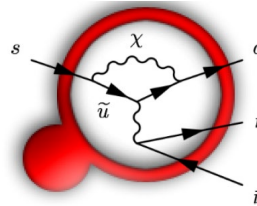
K1.8

56 m

- $< 2.0 \text{ GeV/c}$
- $\sim 10^6 \text{ K}^-/\text{spill}$
- **S=-1 and S=-2 hypernuclei**



- 16 deg extraction
- $\sim 2.1 \text{ GeV/c} \sim 10^7 \text{ K}_L^0/\text{spill}$
- **$K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$**

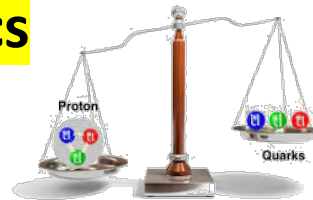


KL

high-p

launched in 2020

- 30 GeV proton $\sim 10^{10}$
- $< 31 \text{ GeV/c}$ unsepa. $\pi \sim 10^7$
- **Hadron physics**



- Au Target
- $< 115 \text{ kW}$

T1 target



charged

neutral

primary 30GeV

muon

COMET

started in 2023

- μ^- beam
- **μ -e conversion**



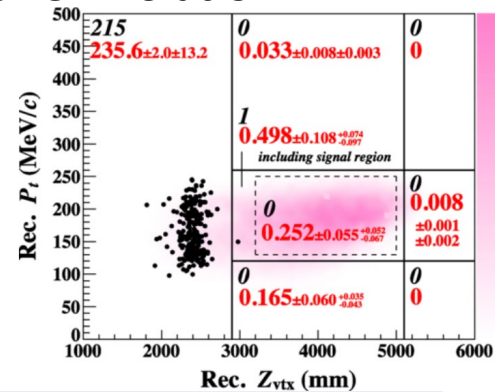
- 30 GeV proton beam
- 93kW (8×10^{13} ppp, 4.2s)
- [as of 2025, May]

Achievements in Research at the Hadron Experimental Facility

Flavor Physics

$K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$ search @ KOTO

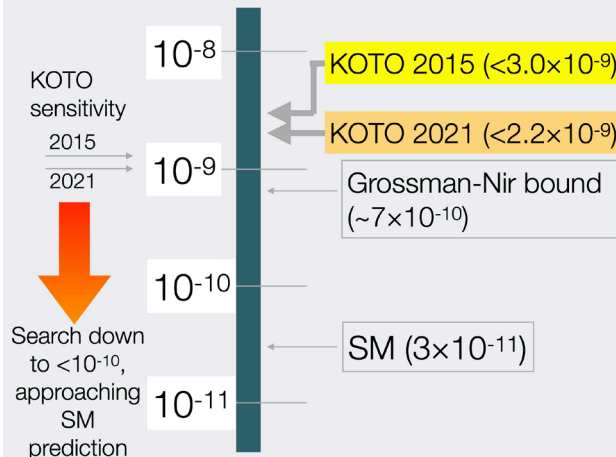
→ Approaching the SM sensitivity
for CP violation



KOTO 2021

Single Event
Sensitivity =
 9×10^{-10}

Branching ratio (BR)

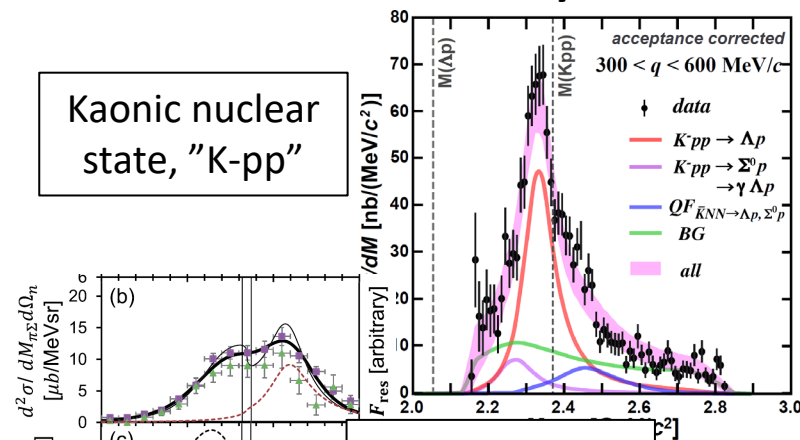


Hadron Physics

Observation of an exotic hadron bound system including K^- meson

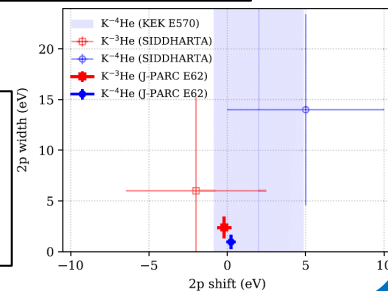
→ Established a new direction to understand meson-baryon int.

Kaonic nuclear state, "K-pp"



Pole position of $\Lambda(1405)$

Ultra-precise measurement of kaonic atoms

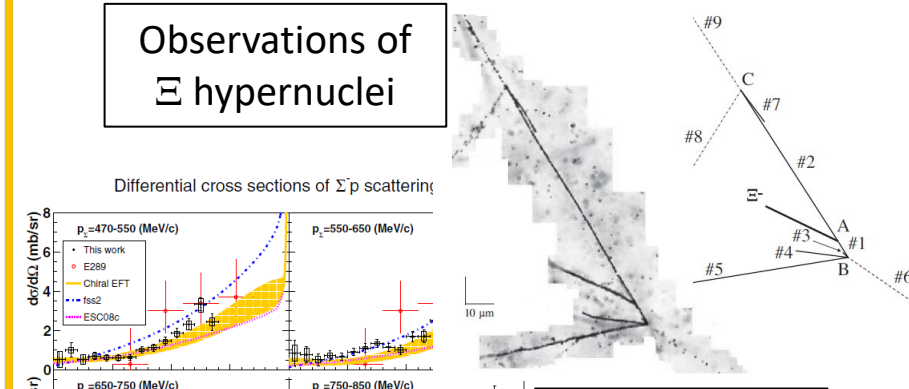


Strangeness Nuclear Physics

A lot of progress in hypernuclear research

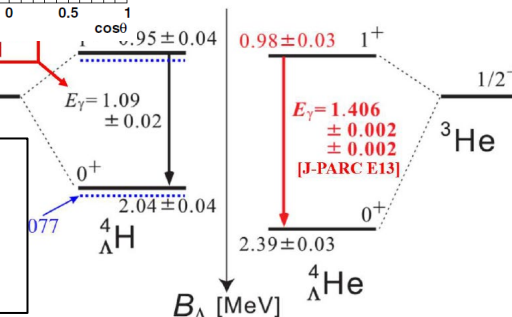
→ Clarified attractive $S=-2$ ΞN interaction and deepened $S=-1$ ΛN , ΣN interactions

Observations of Ξ hypernuclei



First precise ΣN scattering

Charge-symmetry breaking in the ΛN interaction



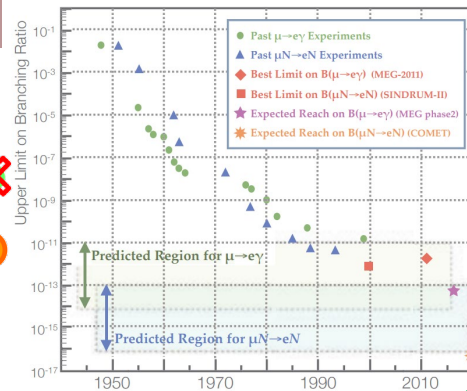
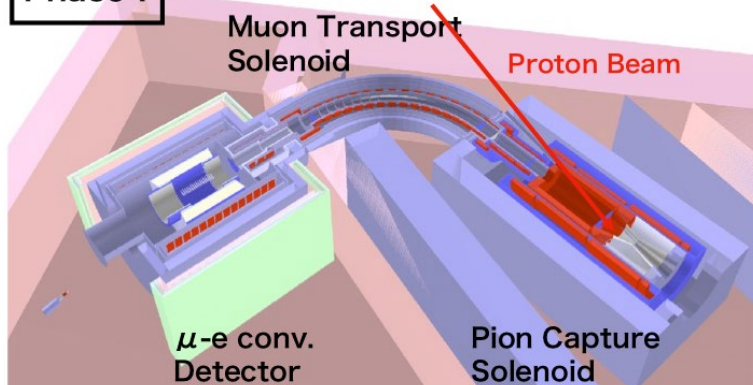
New Research Programs at the Hadron Experimental Facility

Flavor Physics

Search for $\mu \rightarrow e$ conversion @ COMET (2023~)

→ Search for charged lepton flavor violation

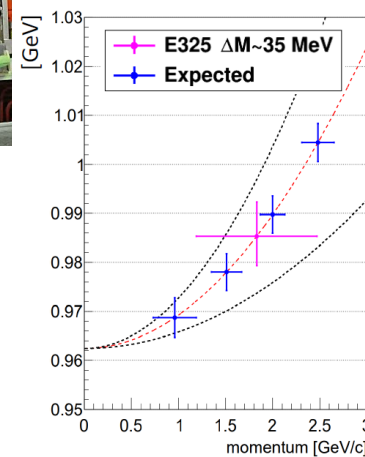
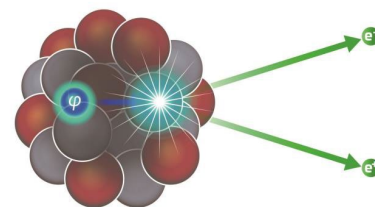
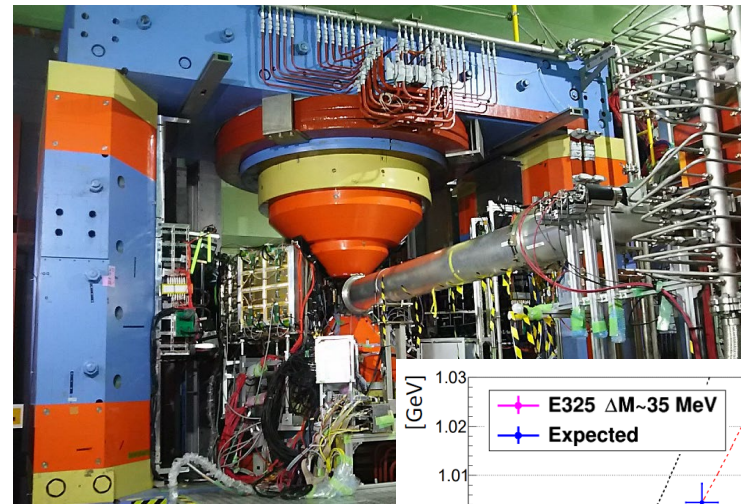
Phase-I



Hadron Physics

Measurement of spectral modification of ϕ meson in nuclei (2020~)

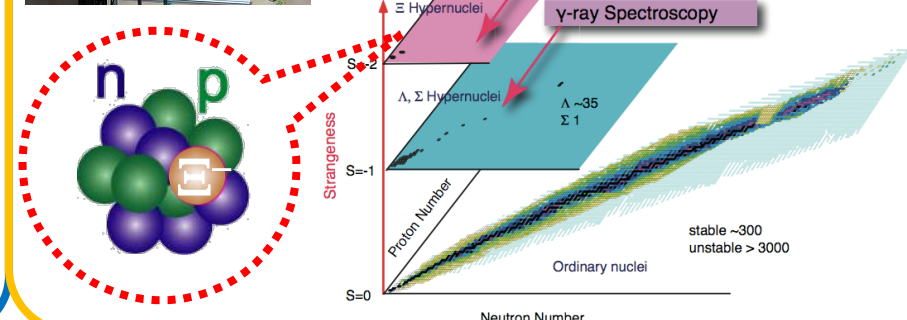
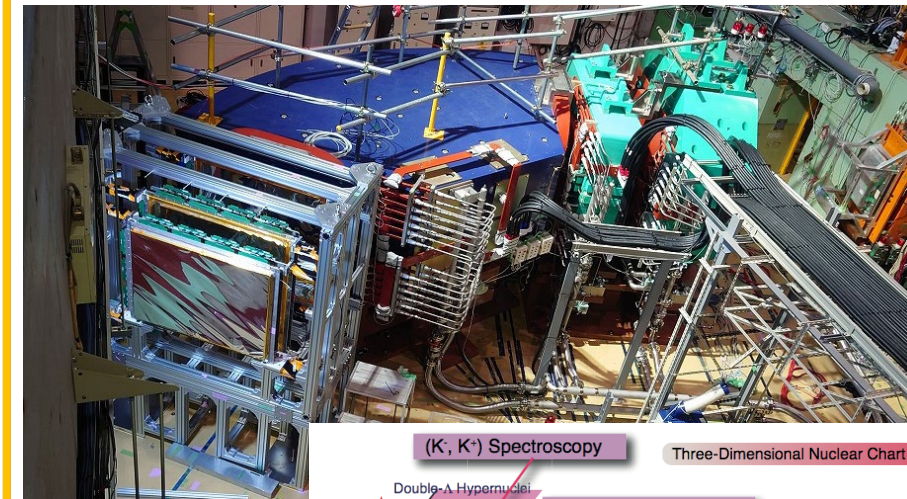
→ Investigate mass-generation mechanism of hadrons

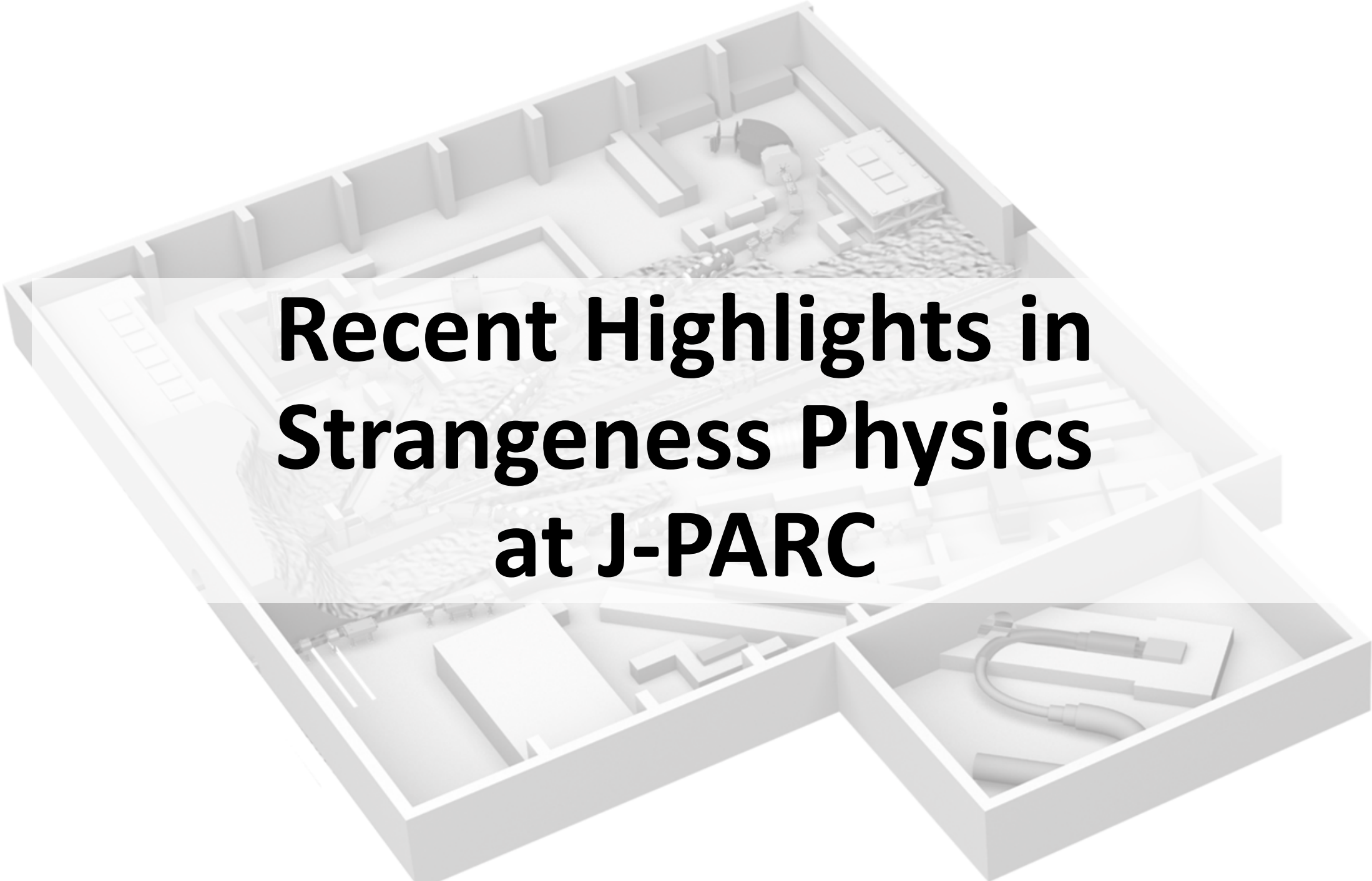


Strangeness Nuclear Physics

High-resolution spectroscopic study of $S=-2$ Ξ -hypernuclei (2023~)

→ Provide accurate and systematic information on ΞN , $\Lambda\Lambda$ interactions



A 3D perspective rendering of a complex particle detector or experimental setup, likely for heavy-ion collisions. The structure is composed of various rectangular and cylindrical components, some of which are interconnected by a network of cables or pipes. The entire assembly is housed within a large, rectangular frame. The rendering is in a light gray, wireframe-like style, emphasizing the geometric structure of the components.

Recent Highlights in Strangeness Physics at J-PARC

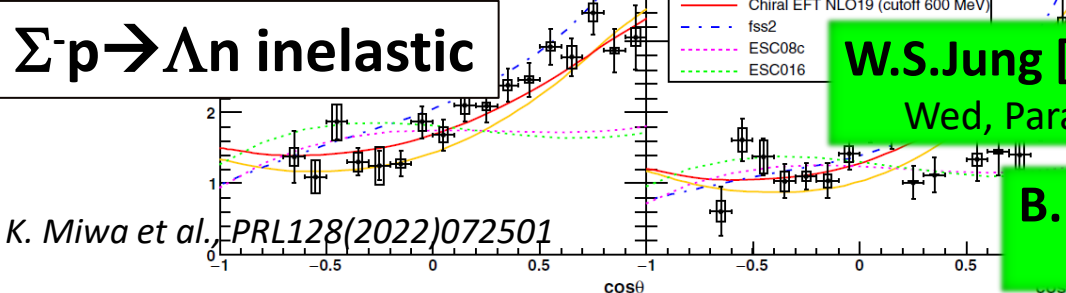
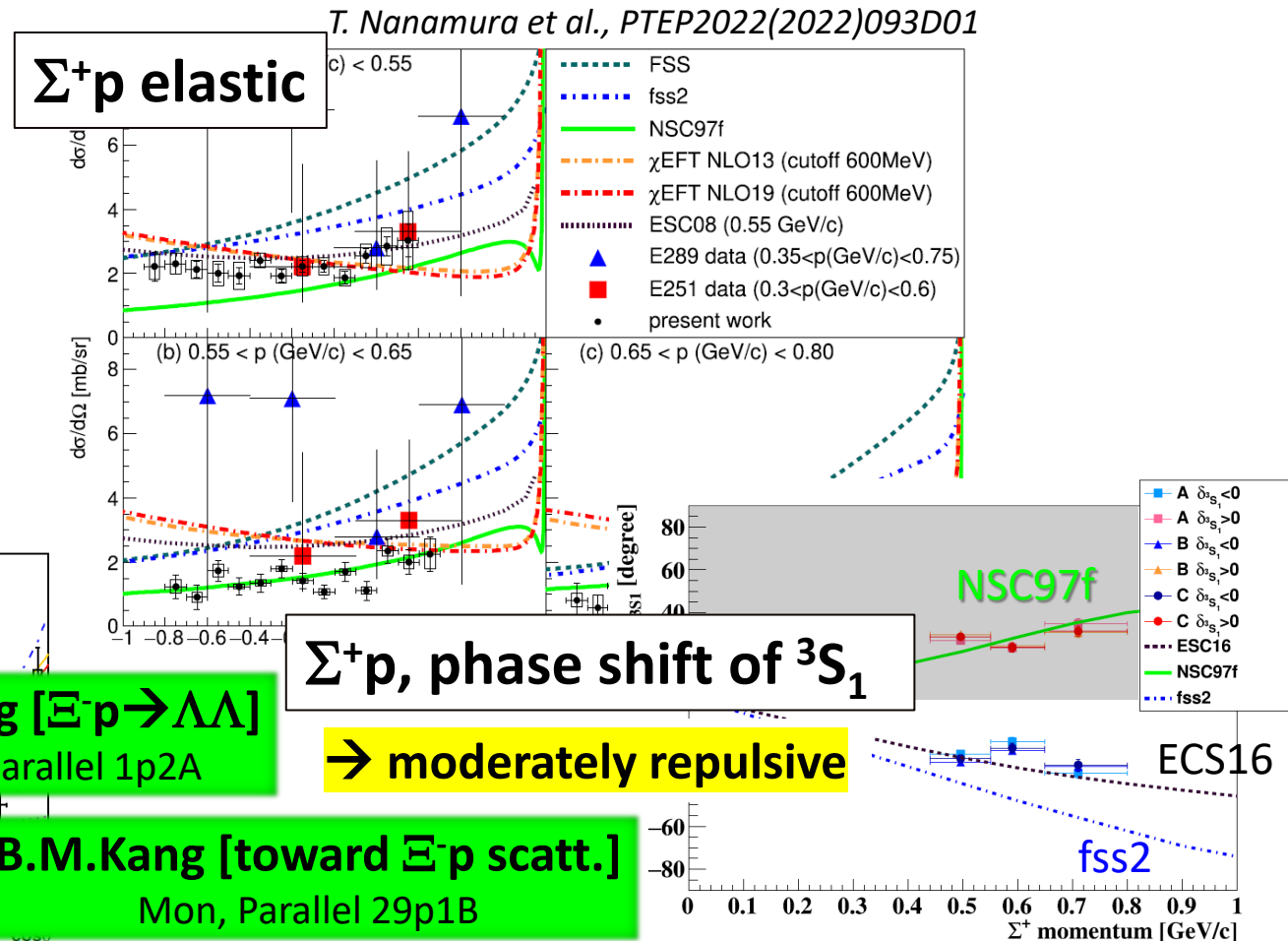
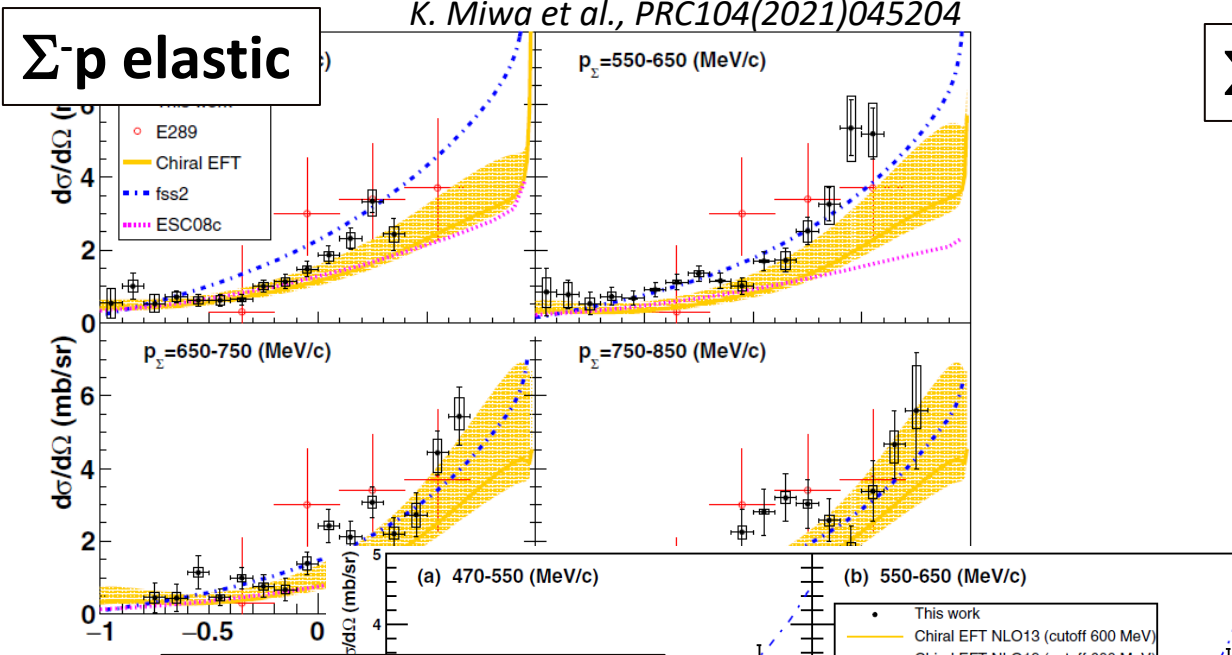
K.Miwa
Mon, Plenary 29a2

YN Scattering

– Extending NN to BB Interaction –

● Precision data of Σp scatterings obtained around 400-800 MeV/c (E40)

✓ Precise data allow detailed study of Σp interaction vs. theory



W.S.Jung [$\Xi p \rightarrow \Lambda \Lambda$]

Wed, Parallel 1p2A

$\Sigma^+ p$, phase shift of 3S_1

→ moderately repulsive

B.M.Kang [toward Ξp scatt.]

Mon, Parallel 29p1B

– Important Benchmark in Hypernuclear Physics –

- Hypertriton binding energy measured by two experiments:

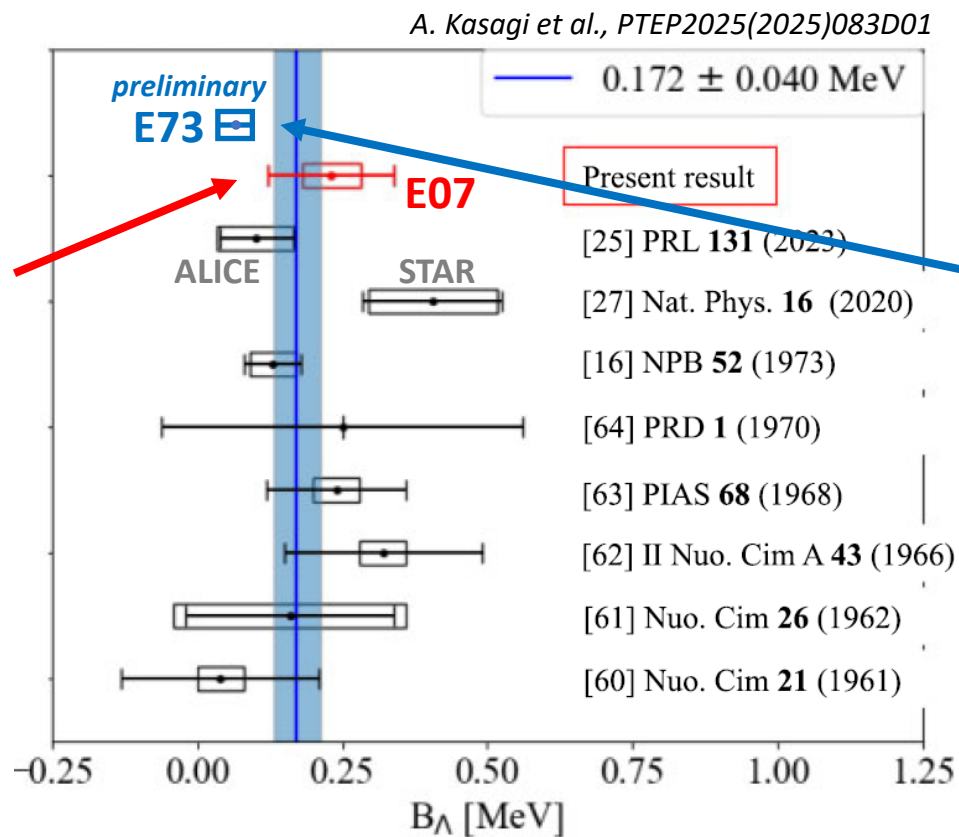
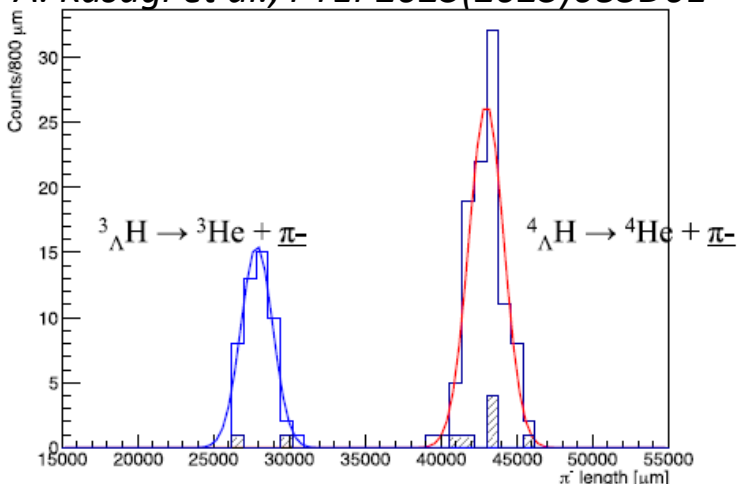
- E07: Emulsion exposed to K^- beam, analyzed with machine learning
- E73: Evaluated from $^3,4\text{He}(K^-, \pi^0)^3,4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ cross sections (preliminary)

E07: Emulsion

determined from π momentum
obtained from π range

$$B_{\Lambda} = 0.23 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.05 \text{ MeV}$$

A. Kasagi et al., PTEP2025(2025)083D01

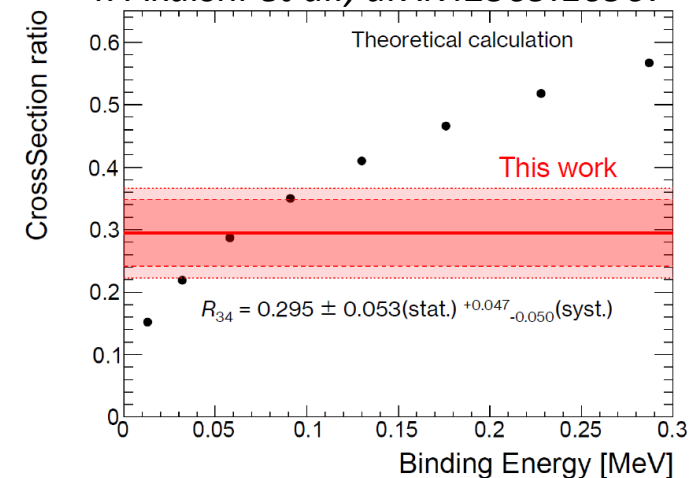


E73: $^3,4\text{He}(K^-, \pi^0)^3,4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$

evaluated from $\sigma_{^3\text{H}}/\sigma_{^4\text{H}}$ by
comparison with theoretical calculation

$$B_{\Lambda} = 0.061^{+0.028}_{-0.022} {}^{+0.024}_{-0.021} \text{ MeV}$$

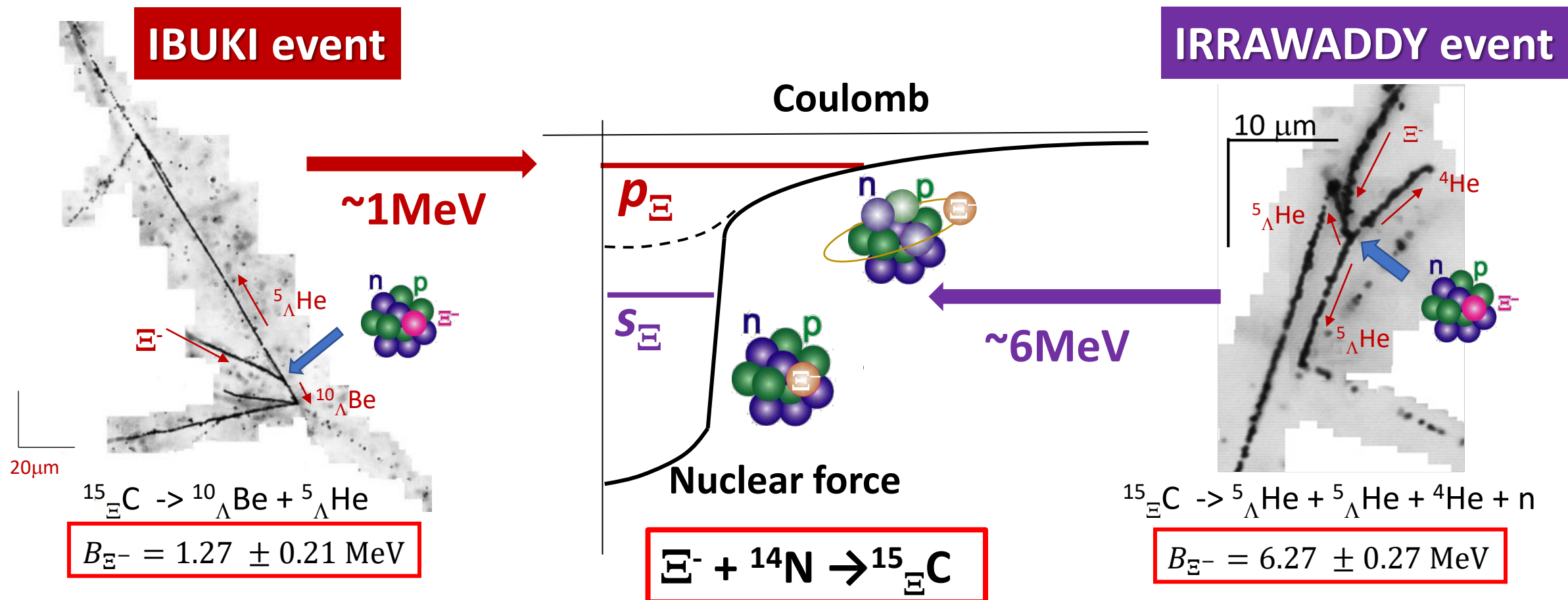
T. Akaishi et al., arXiv:2509.16967



Ξ -hypernuclei in Emulsion

– First Step to the Ξ N Interaction –

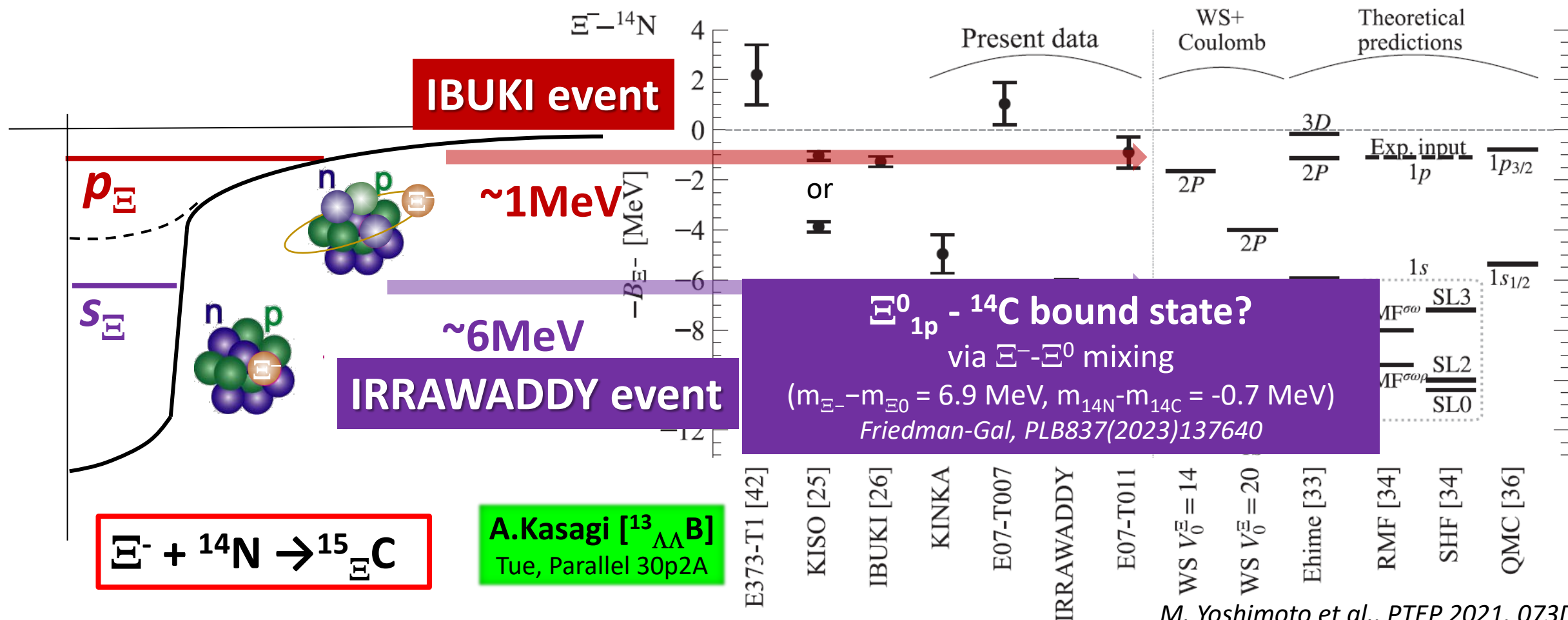
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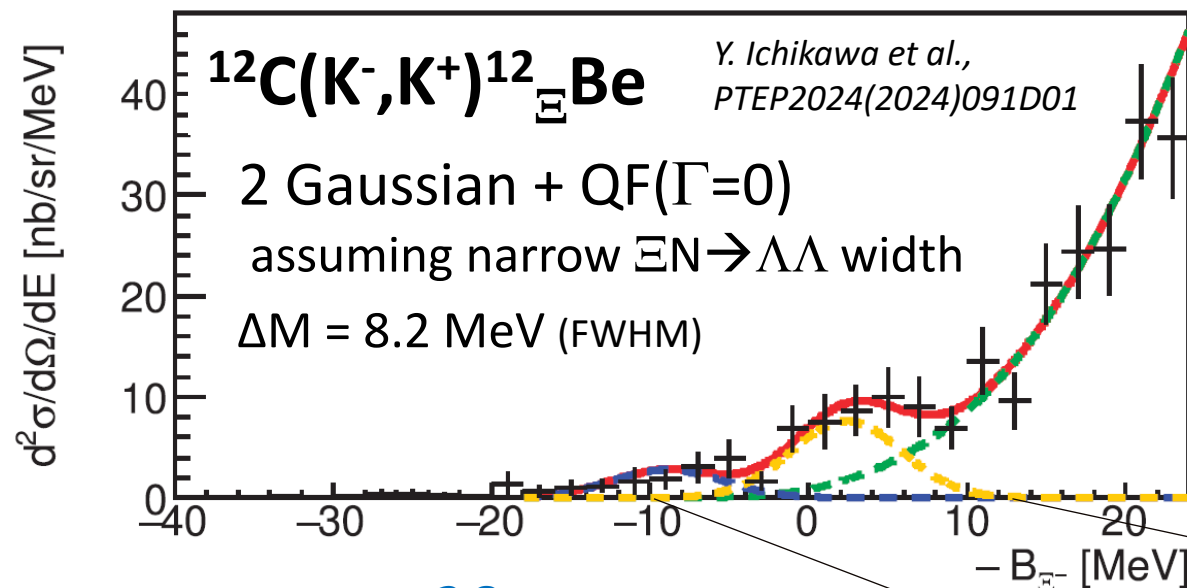


Y. Ichikawa
Wed, Plenary 1a1

Ξ -hypernuclear Spectroscopy

– Toward a Precise Determination of the ΞN Interaction –

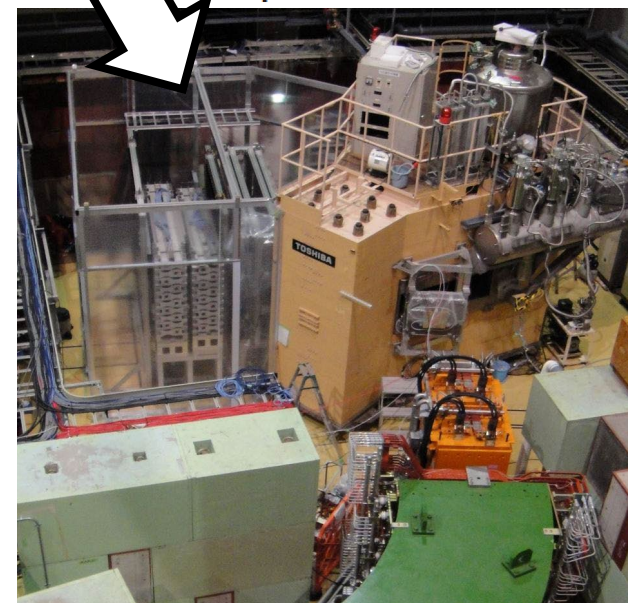
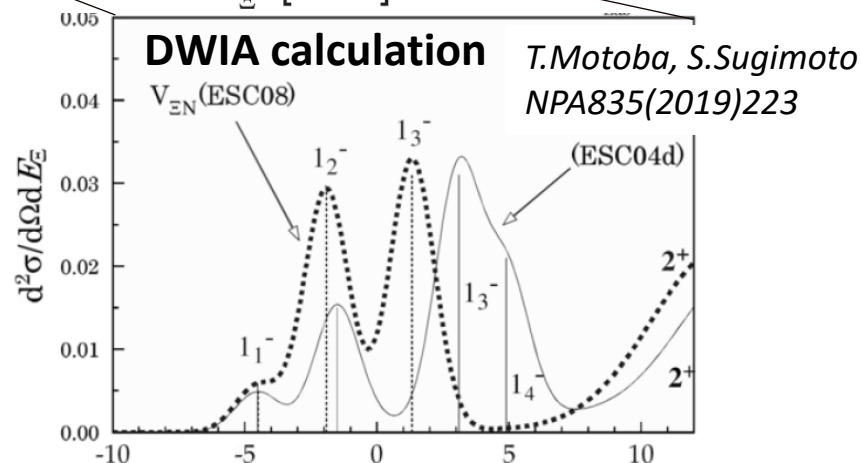
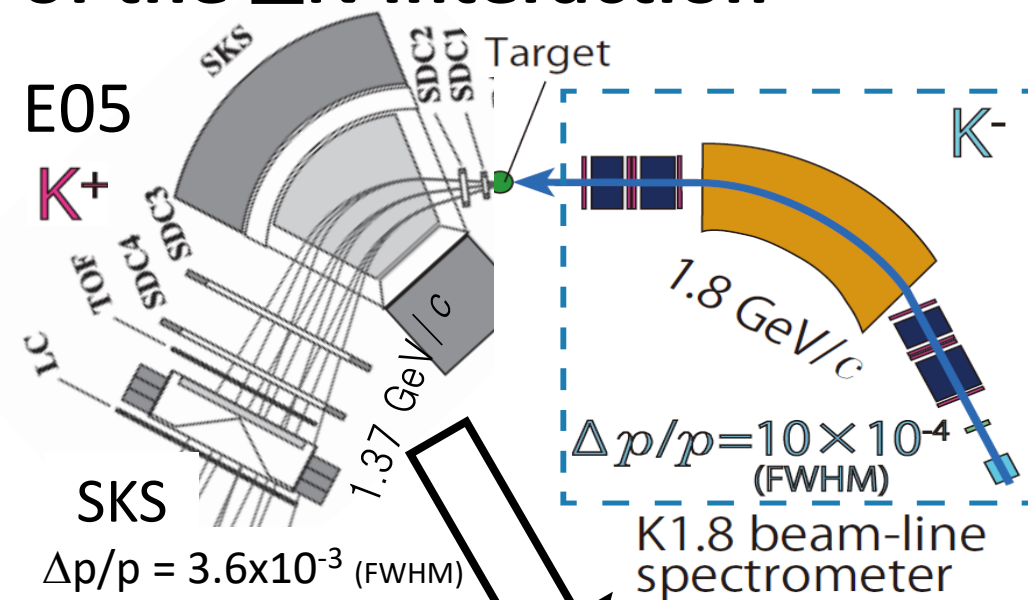
- Ξ -hypernuclear peaks were first observed in E05



$$B_{\Xi^-}^{1st} = 8.9 \pm 1.4_{-3.1}^{+3.8} \text{ MeV}$$

$$B_{\Xi^-}^{2nd} = -2.4 \pm 1.3_{-1.2}^{+2.8} \text{ MeV}$$

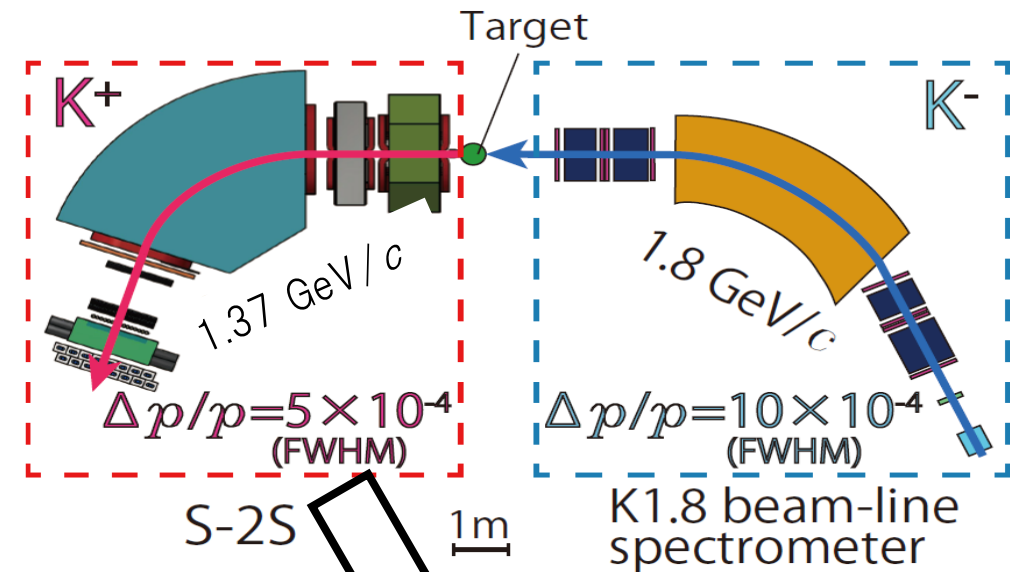
Need more precise measurements
to investigate the detailed structure
→ E70 with $\Delta M = 2$ MeV (FWHM) using S-2S



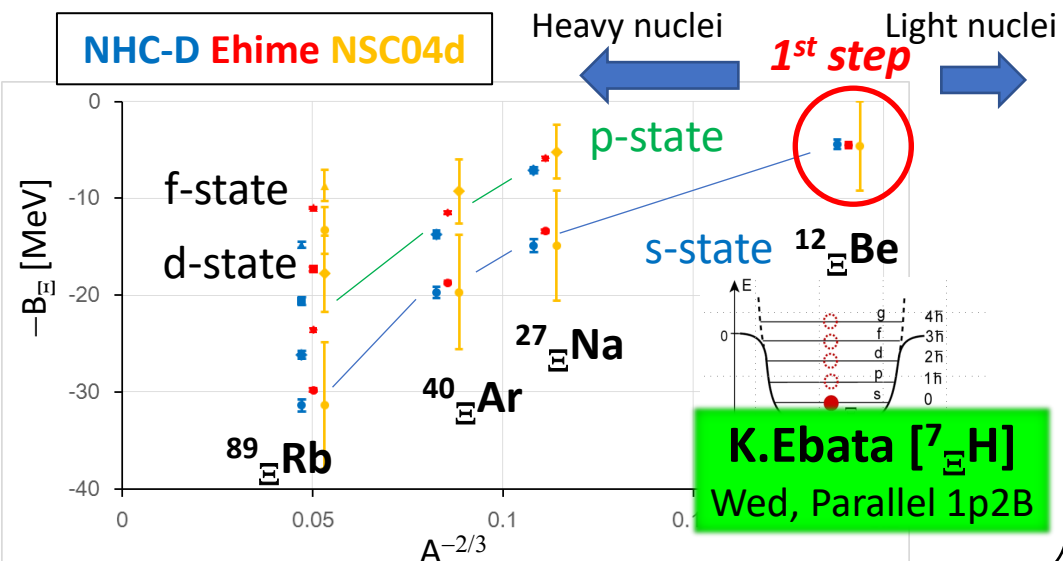
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- Systematic measurements will be strongly promoted at J-PARC, starting from E70
- The precise Ξ -hypernuclear spectroscopy
 - Ξ potential – both $\text{Re}(V_{\Xi})$ and $\text{Im}(V_{\Xi})$
 - isospin dependence ($\propto 1/A$)
 - Ξ N- $\Lambda\Lambda$ conversion

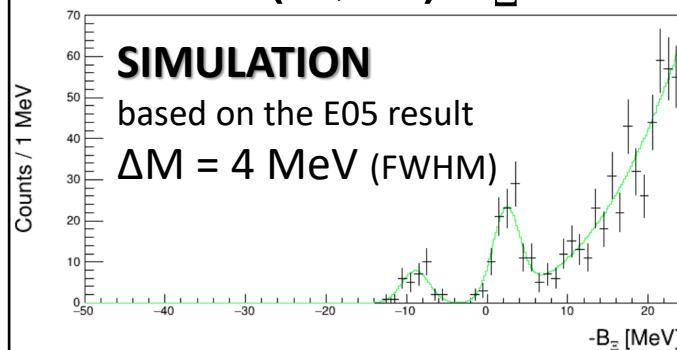


Calculated Ξ binding energy (and width)

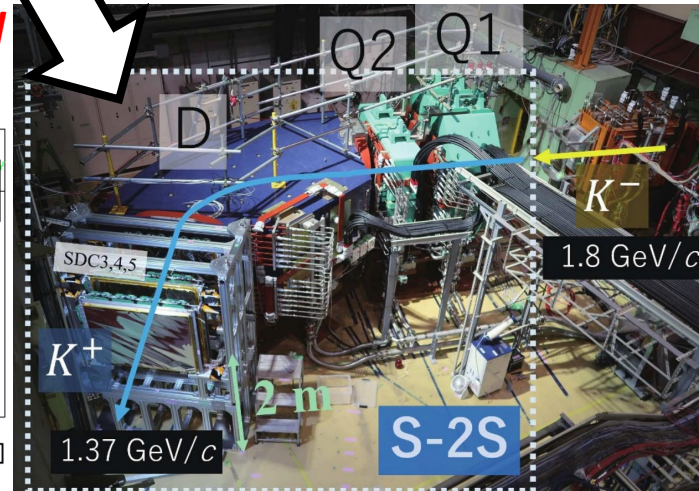


1st step data-taking is completed

$^{12}\text{C} (K^-, K^+) ^{12}_{\Xi}\text{Be}$



T. Gogami et al.,
The 38th J-PARC PAC (2024)



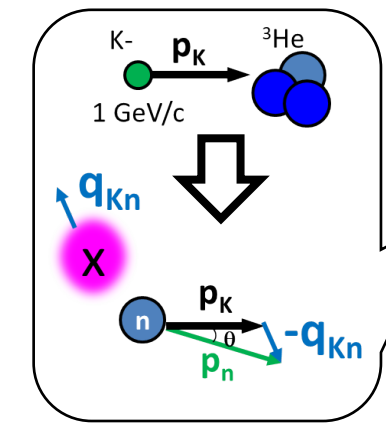
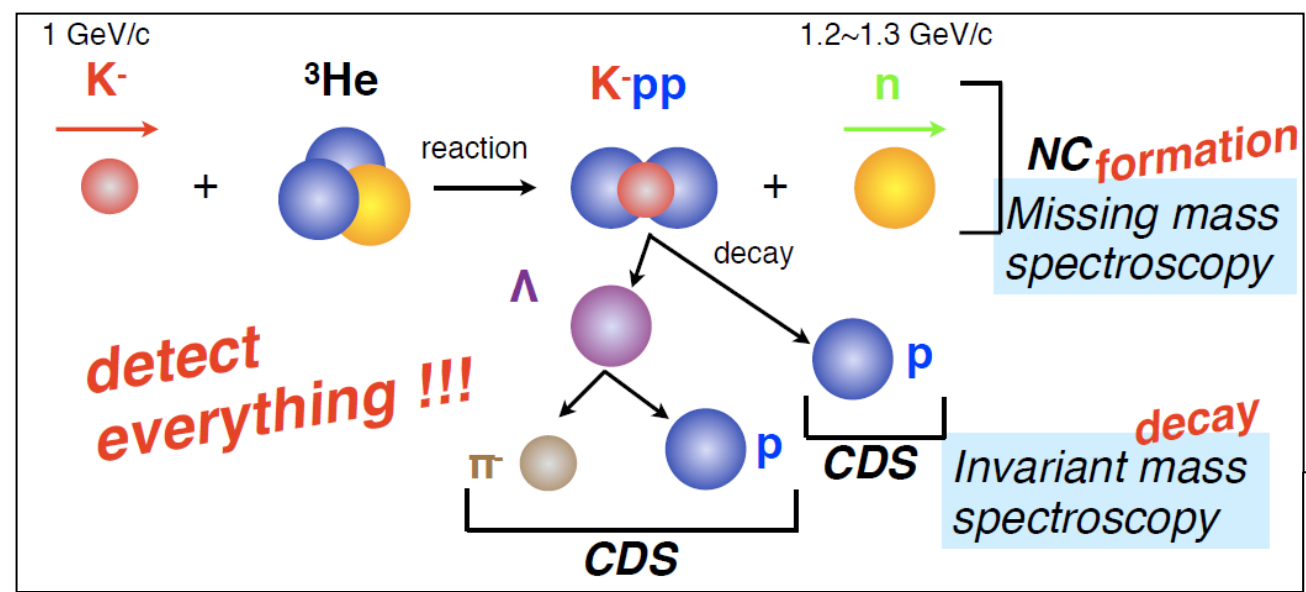
Results coming soon

T.Hashimoto
Thu, Plenary 2a2

Kaonic Nuclei

– A New Form of Nuclei Composed of a Real Kaon –

- “K⁻pp” bound state was observed via ³He(K⁻, Λp)n in E15



PLB789(2019)620.,
PRC102(2020)044002.

$$B_{Kpp} = 42 \pm 3^{+3}_{-4}$$

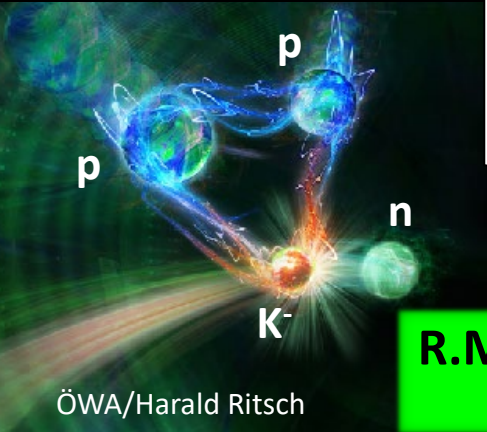
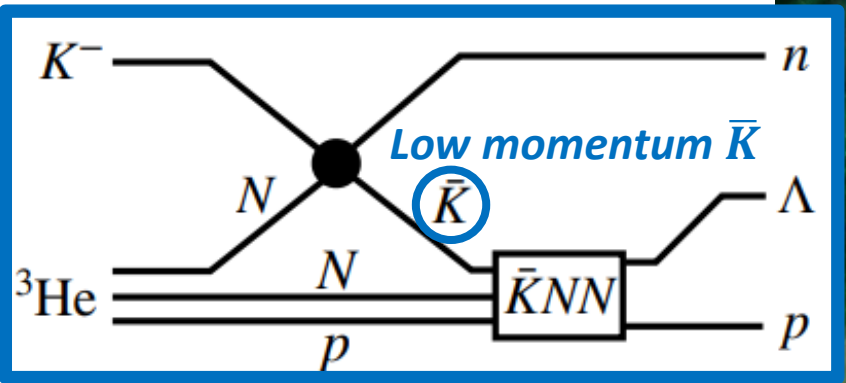
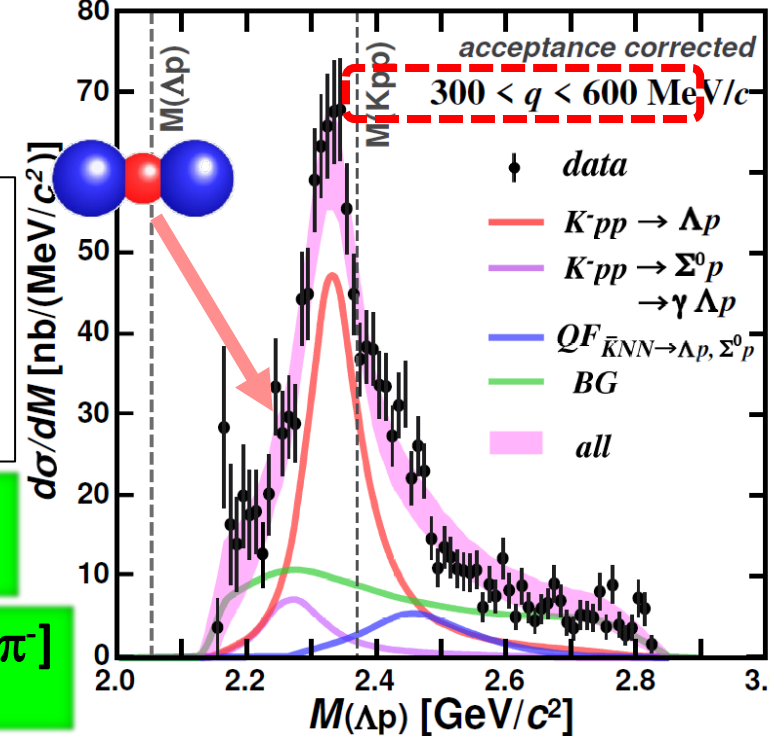
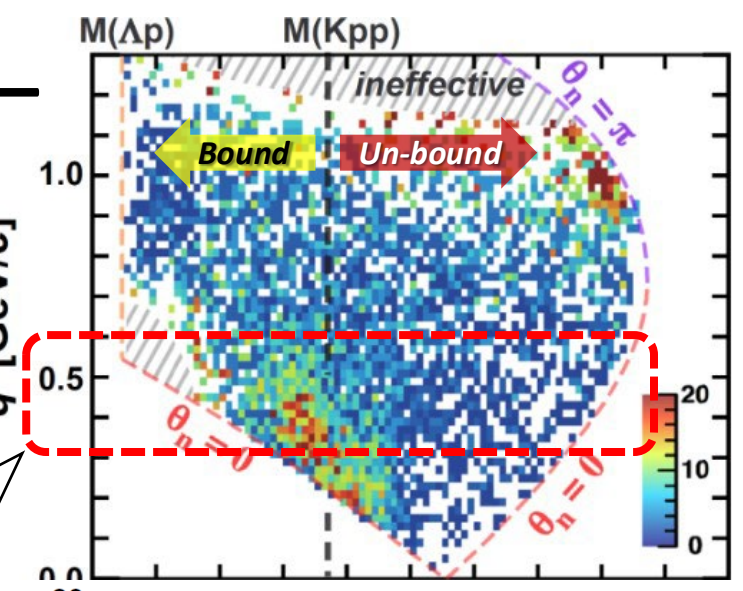
$$\Gamma_{Kpp} = 100 \pm 7^{+10}_{-9}$$

→

Compact system?

F.Oura [¹²C(K⁻,p)X]
Mon, Parallel 29p1C

R.Murayama [K⁻d → Λpπ]
Thu, Plenary 2a2

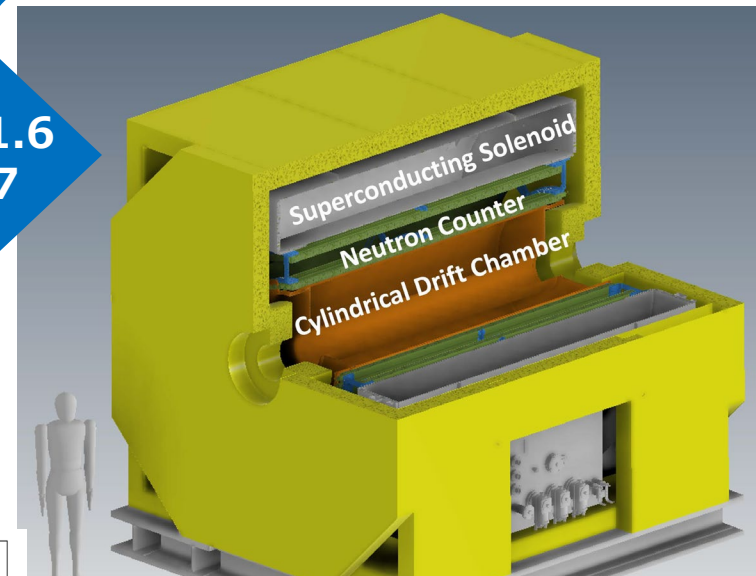
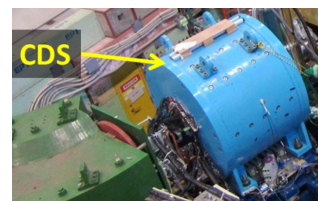


– Toward a Further Understanding of Kaonic Nuclei –

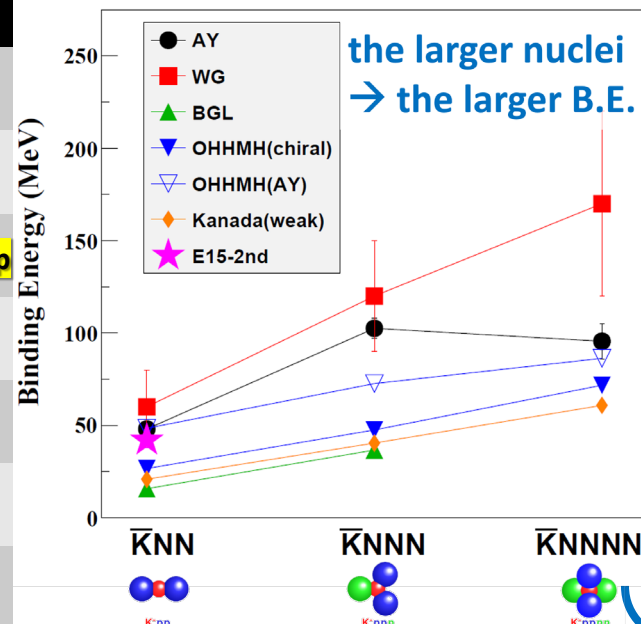
● Systematic measurements will be carried out at J-PARC, starting from E80

- Mass number dependence
 - Binding energy, Branching ratio, q dependence, ..
- Spin/parity determination
- Internal structure extracted with theoretical investigations

✓ Solid angle: x1.6
✓ Neutron eff.: x7



	Reaction	Decays
$\bar{K}N$	$d(K^-, n)$	$\pi^{\pm 0} \Sigma^{\mp 0}$
$\bar{K}NN$	${}^3\text{He}(K^-, N)$	$\Lambda p / \Lambda n$
$\bar{K}NNN$	${}^4\text{He}(K^-, N)$	$\Lambda d / \Lambda pn$ ← first step
$\bar{K}NNNN$	${}^6\text{Li}(K^-, d)$	$\Lambda t / \Lambda dn$
$\bar{K}NNNNN$	${}^6\text{Li}(K^-, N)$	$\Lambda \alpha / \Lambda dd / \Lambda dpn$
$\bar{K}NNNNNN$	${}^7\text{Li}(K^-, N)$	$\Lambda \alpha n / \Lambda ddn$
$\bar{K}\bar{K}NN$	$\bar{p} + {}^3\text{He}$	$\Lambda\Lambda$



Will start in 2027

More Diverse Activities at the J-PARC Hadron Hall¹⁶

– Discussed in HYP2025 –

Hyp-PTC@K1.8BR

S.Hayakawa [physics w/HypTPC]
Tue, Parallel 30p2A

H.I.Lee [Λ^*]
Thu, Parallel 3a1A

R.Saito [$\Lambda\eta$ Cusp]
Tue, Parallel 30p2B

S.H.Kim [$N^*\Delta^*$]
Mon, Parallel 29p2B

J.J.Lee [$N^*\Delta^*$]
Tue, Poster

Hyp-TPC@K1.8

J.K.Ahn [Θ^+]
Tue, Plenary 30a2

R.Sasaki [ΣN Cusp]
Tue, Poster

S.W.Choi [$K^*(892)$]
Thu, Parallel 3a1A

Hyperball-J@K1.8

T.O.Yamamoto [E -atom X-ray]
Wed, Parallel 1p2A

M.Fujita [E -atom X-ray]
Wed, Parallel 1p2A

C.Seong [Λ -hyp X-ray]
Thu, Parallel 3a2B

S2-S@K1.8

T.Taniguchi [high-res. (π^+, K^+)]
Tue, Poster

D.Watanabe [high-res. (π^+, K^+)]
Wed, Parallel 1p2B

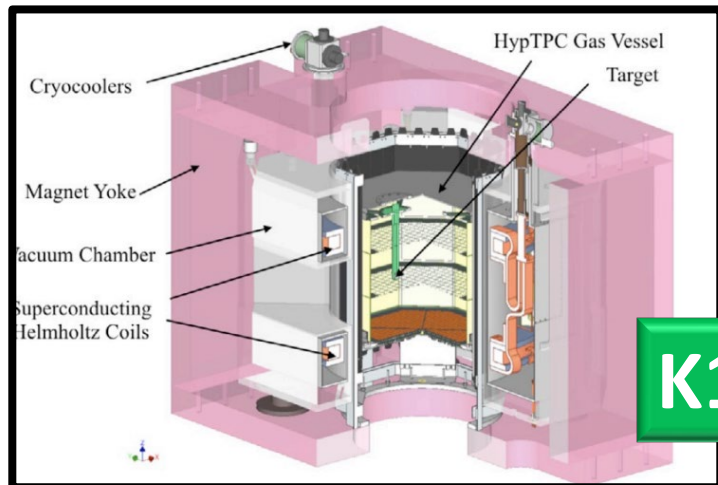
Near Future

H.Tamura [Λ 's β -decay]
Mon, Parallel 29p2A

Large-Dipole@high-p($\pi 20$)

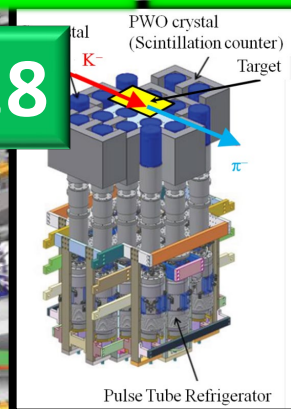
H.Sako [$\phi \rightarrow KK$]
Mon, Parallel 29p2C

T.Ishikawa [ϕN int.]
Tue, Parallel 30p1B



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K1.8



high-p($\pi 20$)

A detailed 3D architectural rendering of the Hadron Experimental Facility extension (HEF-ex) project. The image shows a complex, multi-level structure with various rooms, corridors, and specialized equipment. The design is modern and functional, with a focus on the experimental areas. The text "Hadron Experimental Facility extension (HEF-ex) Project" is overlaid in the center in a large, bold, black font.

Hadron Experimental Facility extension (HEF-ex) Project

Hadron Experimental Facility eXtension (HEF-ex) Project

Present HEF
(2009~)

expand research programs
at the Hadron Experimental Facility
to further explore
Origin & Evolution of Matter

Extended HEF

K10

HIHR

KL2

K1.1/K1.1BR

High-p ($\pi 20$)

Extended hall

COMET

Test-BL

T2

K1.8

K1.8BR

T1

High-p

COMET

KL

K1.8

K1.8BR

T1

30 GeV
primary
proton beam

1 production target (T1)

1 secondary-charged beamline (K1.8/K1.8BR)

1 neutral beamline (KL)

1 primary beamline (High-p)

1 muon beamline (COMET)

+ 1 new production target (T2)

+ 4 new beamlines (HIHR, K1.1/K1.1BR, KL2, K10)

+ 2 updated beamlines (High-p ($\pi 20$), Test-BL)

Determine density dependent ΛN interaction

HIHR

Ultra-high-resolution Λ hypernuclei spectroscopy

- intense dispersion matched π beam

K1.1

Systematic ΛN scattering measurement

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Investigate diquarks in baryons

high-p
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K10

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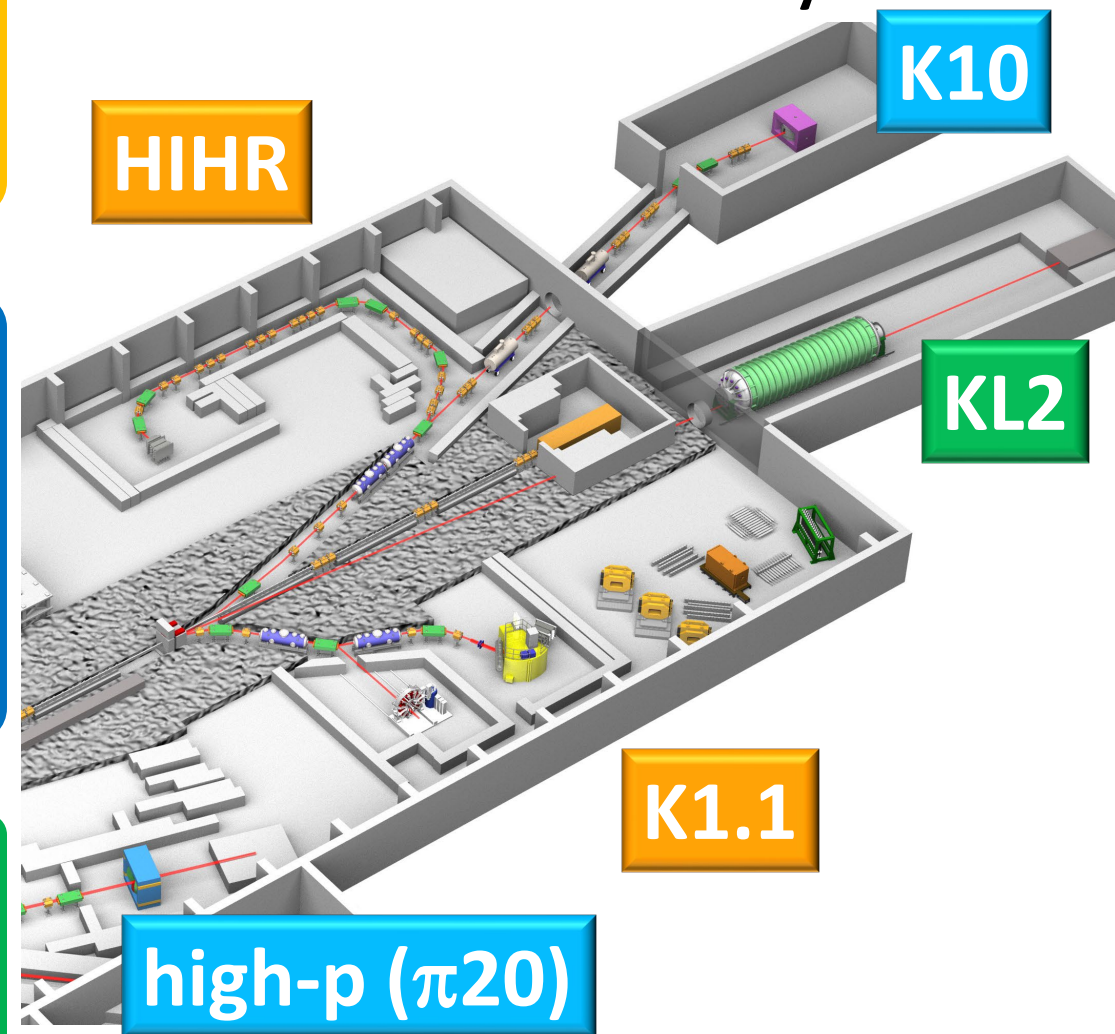
KL2

Most sensitive $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$ measurement

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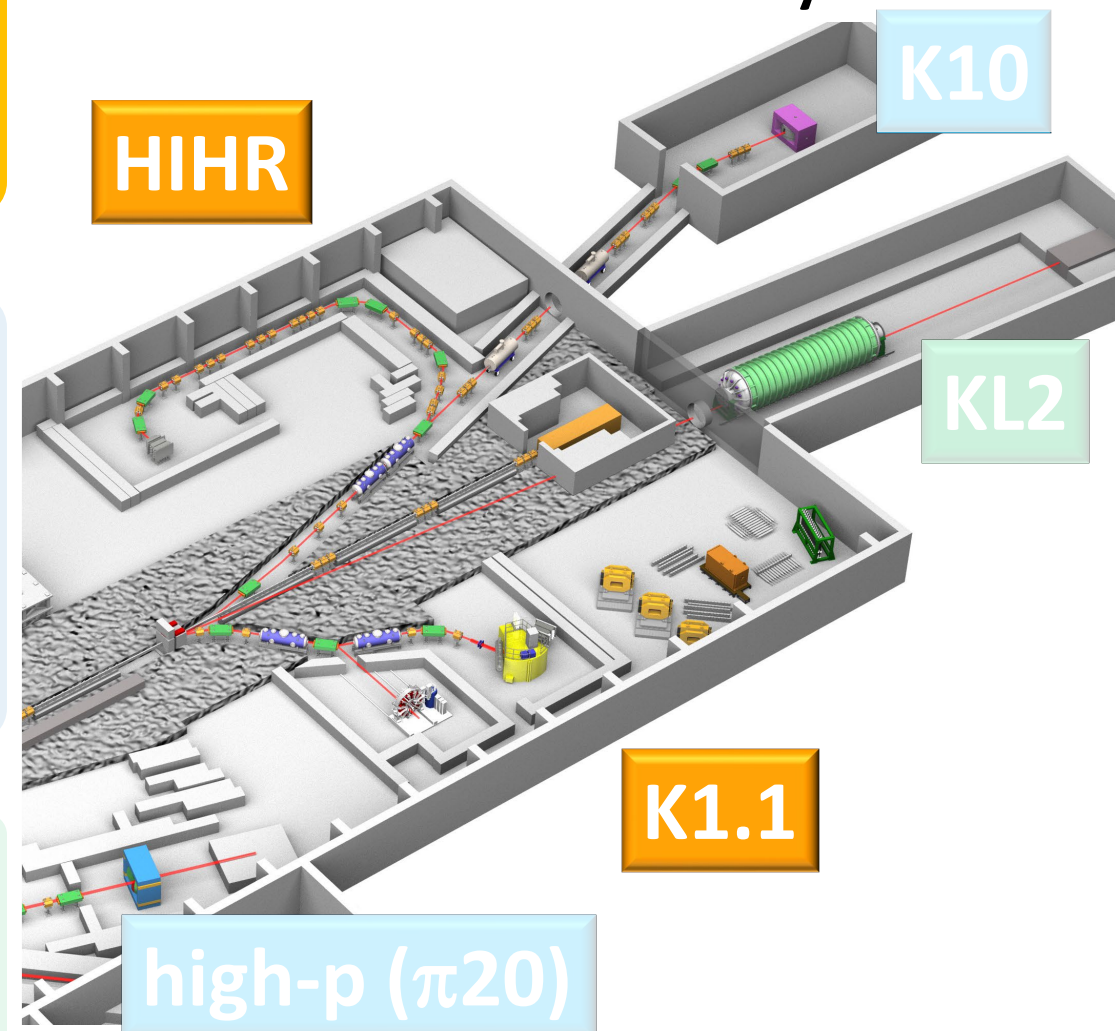
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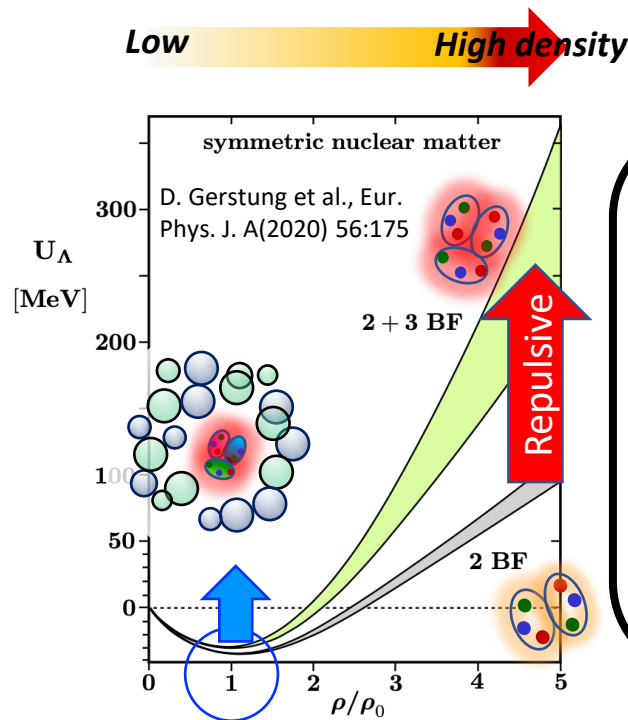


Strangeness Nuclear Physics: Hyperon in Dense Environment

Why can heavy neutron stars exist?

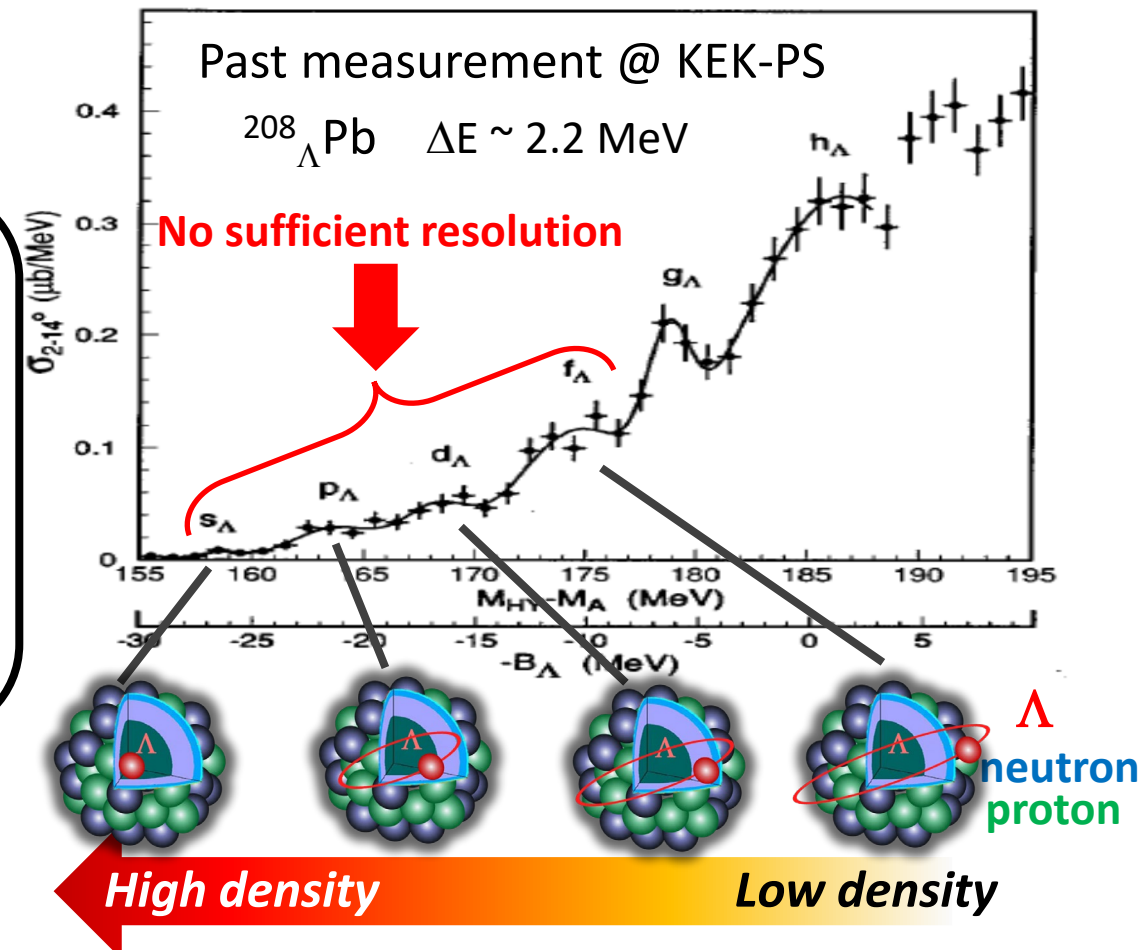
- Hyperons (Λ , Ξ , ...) emerge in dense neutron star matter?

Λ NN 3 Baryon Force is a key



heavy Λ -hypernuclei :

- Λ binding energies (B_{Λ})
- density dependent Λ N interaction
- We need precise measurements



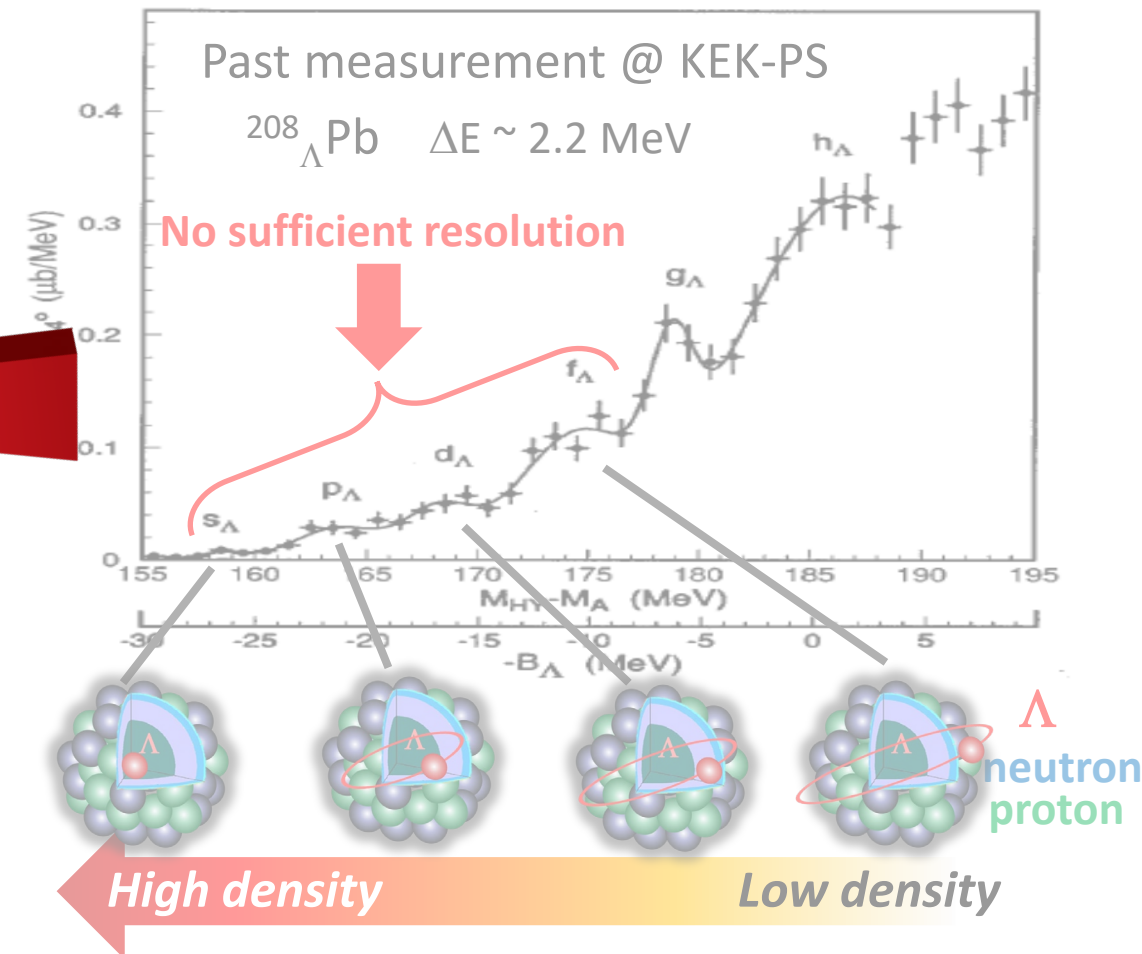
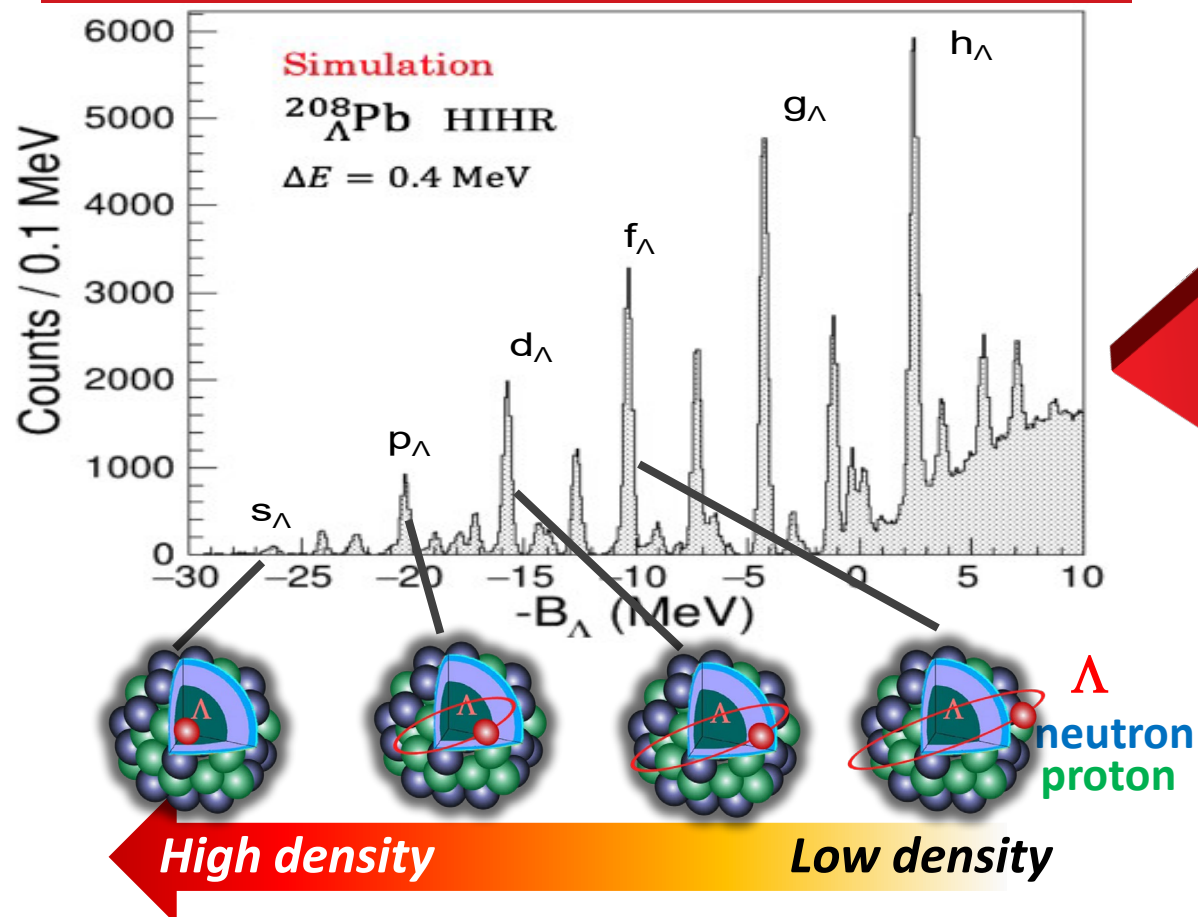
We need to determine
a tiny fraction of 3 Baryon Force effects

Strangeness Nuclear Physics: Hyperon in Dense Environment

Why can heavy neutron stars exist?

- Hyperons (Λ , Ξ , ...) emerge in dense neutron star matter?

Need separation of each Λ orbital state

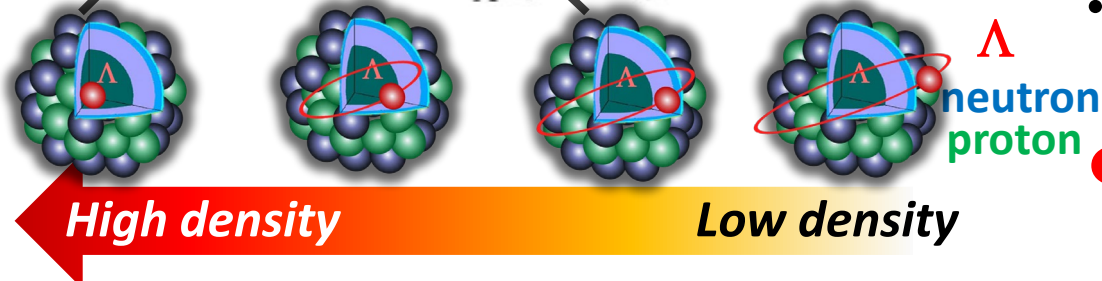
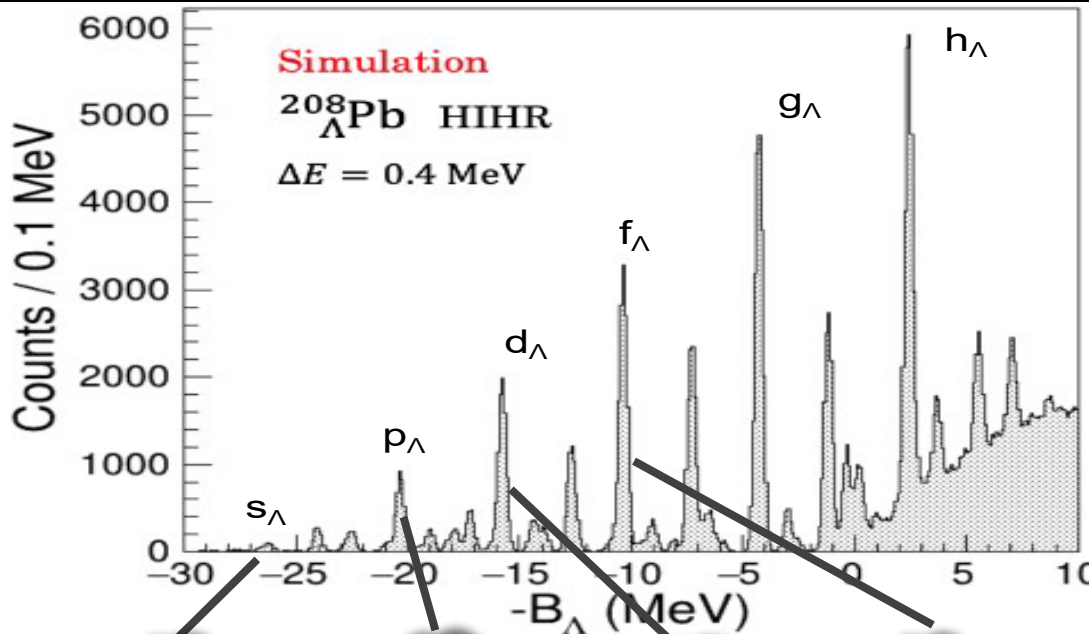


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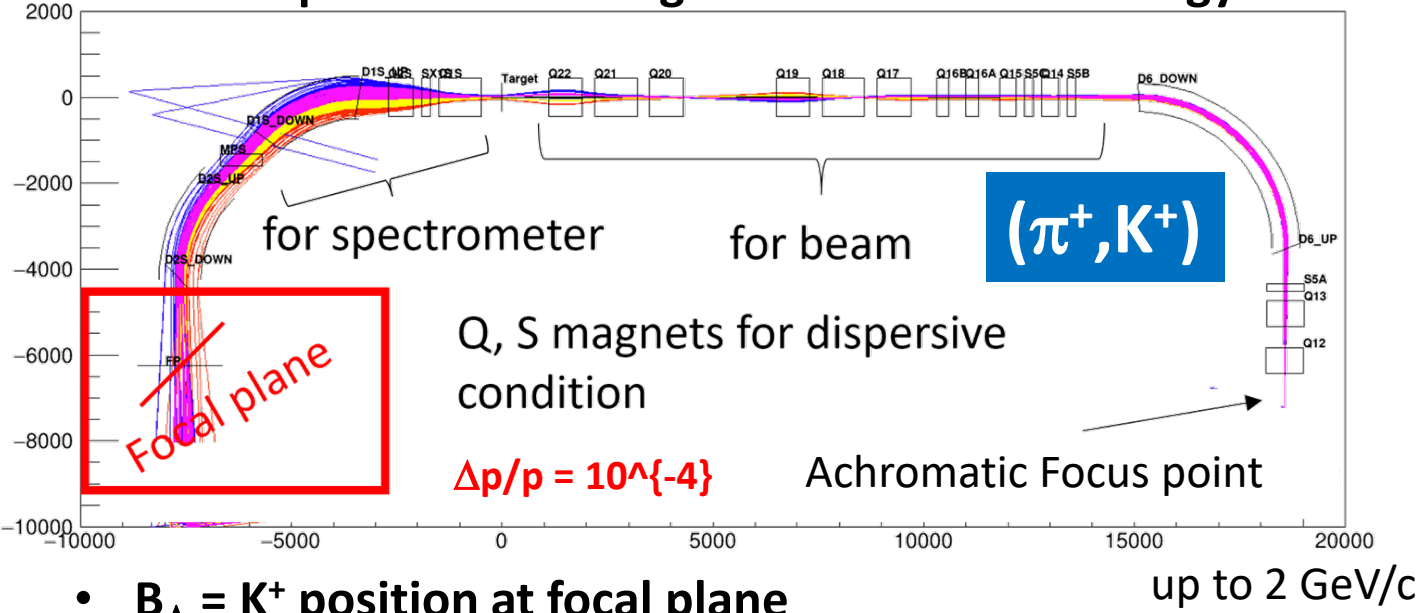
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Ultra-high-resolution Λ -hyp. spectroscopy



HIHR beam line (High-Intensity High-Resolution)

First dispersion-matching beam line in GeV energy



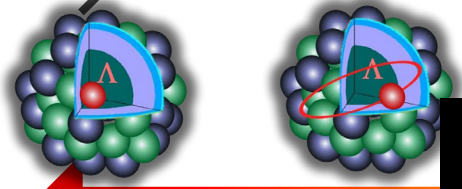
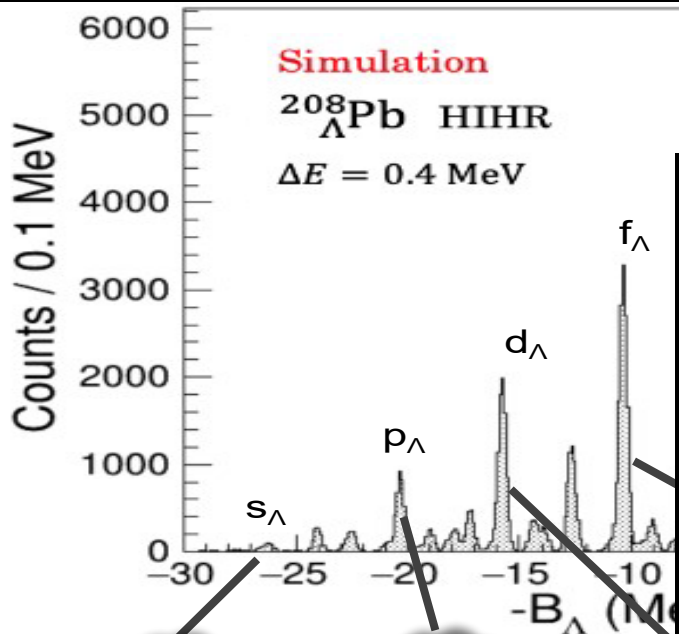
- $B_\Lambda = K^+$ position at focal plane
 - ✓ No need for beam tracking $\rightarrow$ Intense π beam of $> 10^8$ /pulse
- Break through the resolution limit:
 - $\sim 2.2 \text{ MeV} \rightarrow$ better than $\sim 0.4 \text{ MeV}$ (FWHM)

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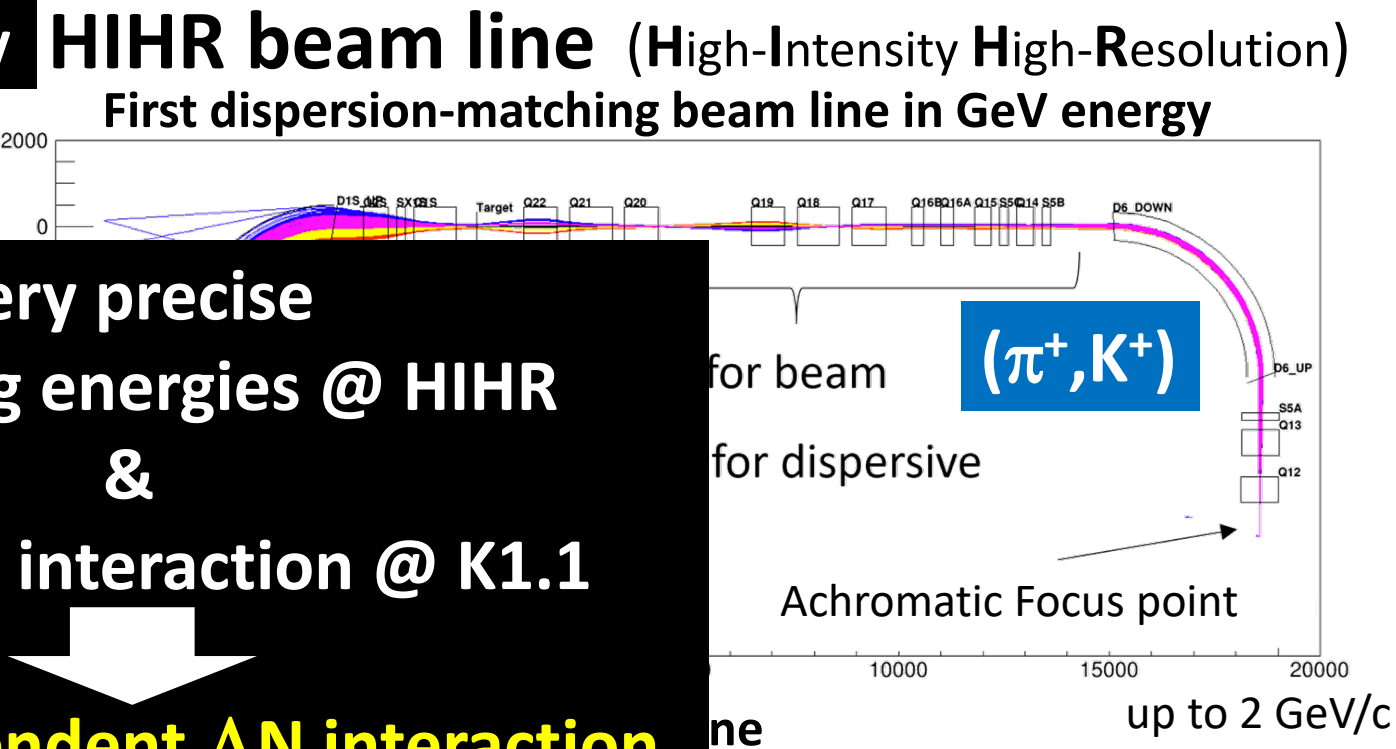


High density

Low density

very precise
 Λ -binding energies @ HIHR
&
2-body ΛN interaction @ K1.1
Density dependent ΛN interaction

➔ new understanding of neutron star matter



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Determine density dependent ΛN interaction

HIHR

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K1.1

Systematic ΛN scattering measurement

- intense polarized Λ beam

Investigate diquarks in baryons

high-p
($\pi 20$)

High-resolution charm baryon spectroscopy

- intense high-momentum π beam

K10

High-resolution multi-strange baryon spectroscopy

- intense high-momentum separated K beam

Search for new physics beyond the SM

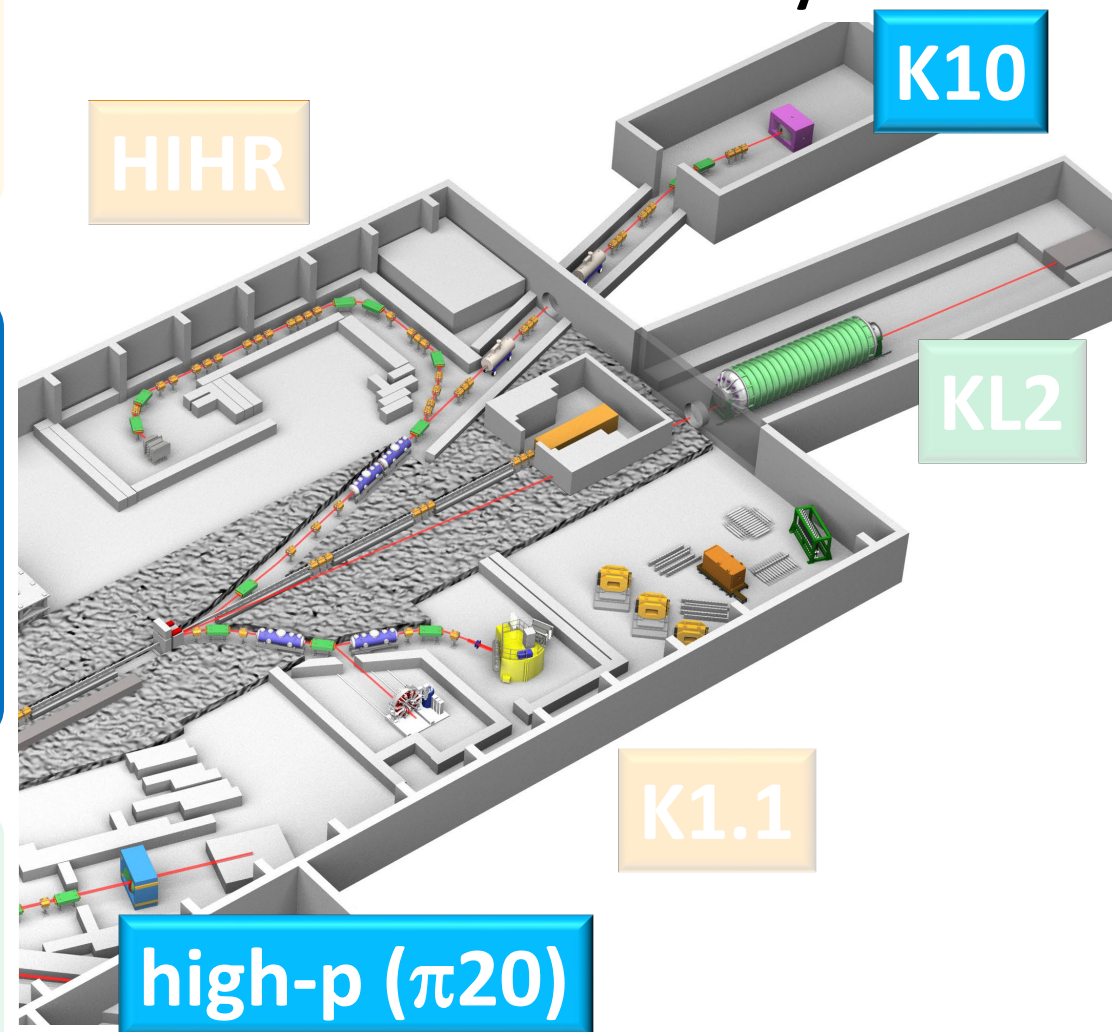
KL2

Most sensitive $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$ measurement

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Expanded Research Programs

at the Extended Facility



Hadron Physics: Diquarks in Baryons

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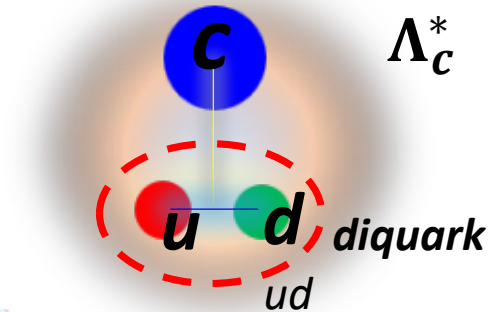
➤ Investigate **diquarks** in baryons **toward** understanding of **dense quark matter**

➤ Charm Baryon Spectroscopy

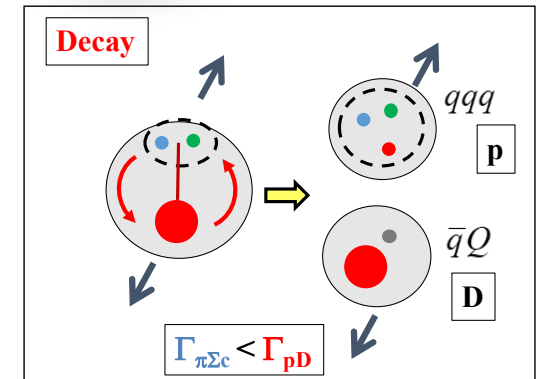
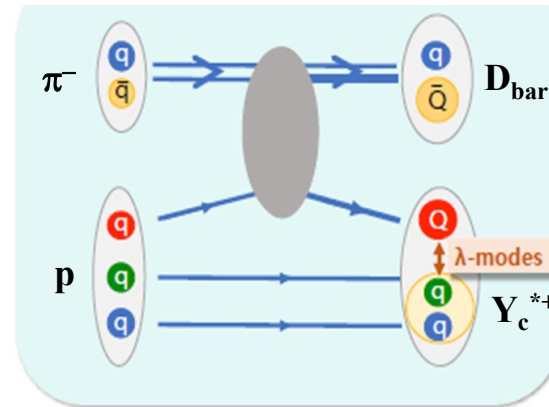
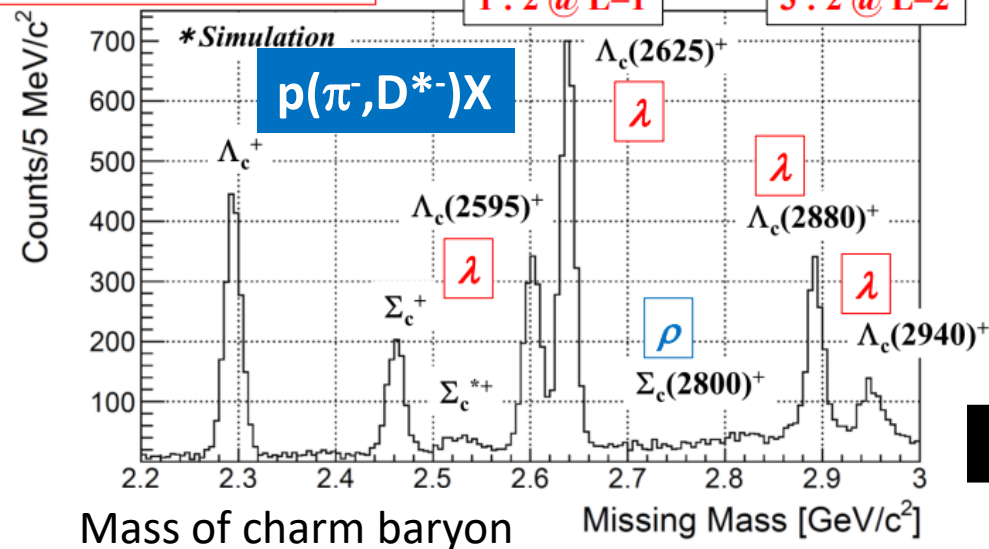
using intense high-momentum π beam @ High-p ($\pi 20$)

Establish a diquark (ud)

Λ_c^* : Disentangle “collective motion of ud ”
and “relative motion between u and d ”



* Production rate = $L : L+1$



“production rate” and “decay rate”
will give us information about diquark

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- **Multi-Strange Baryon Spectroscopy**

using intense high-momentum K beam @ K10

Diquarks in different systems

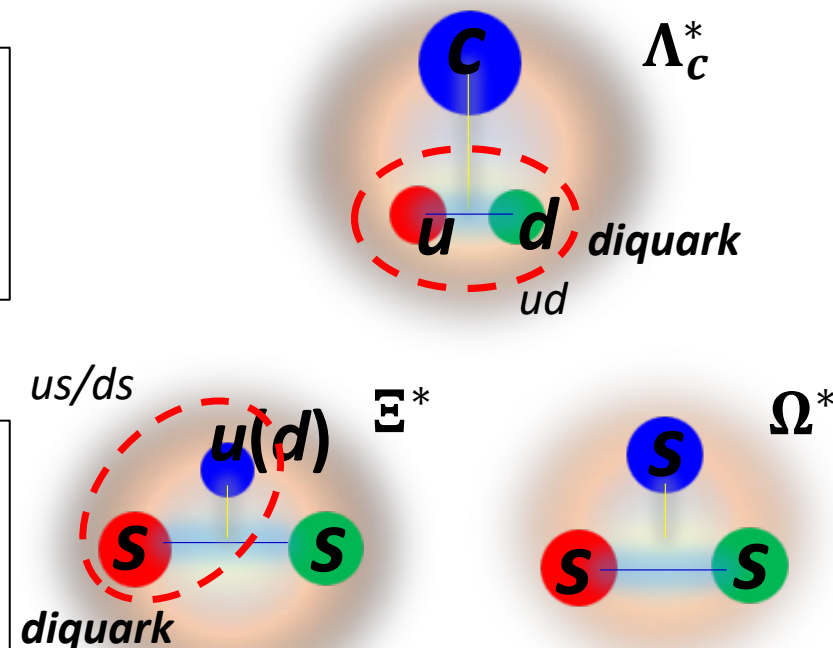
Ξ^* : us/ds diquark

Ω^* : the simplest sss system

→ diquark is expected to be suppressed

K. Shirotori [Ω^*]

Thu, Parallel 3a2A



Systematic measurements will reveal
the internal structure of baryons through the diquarks

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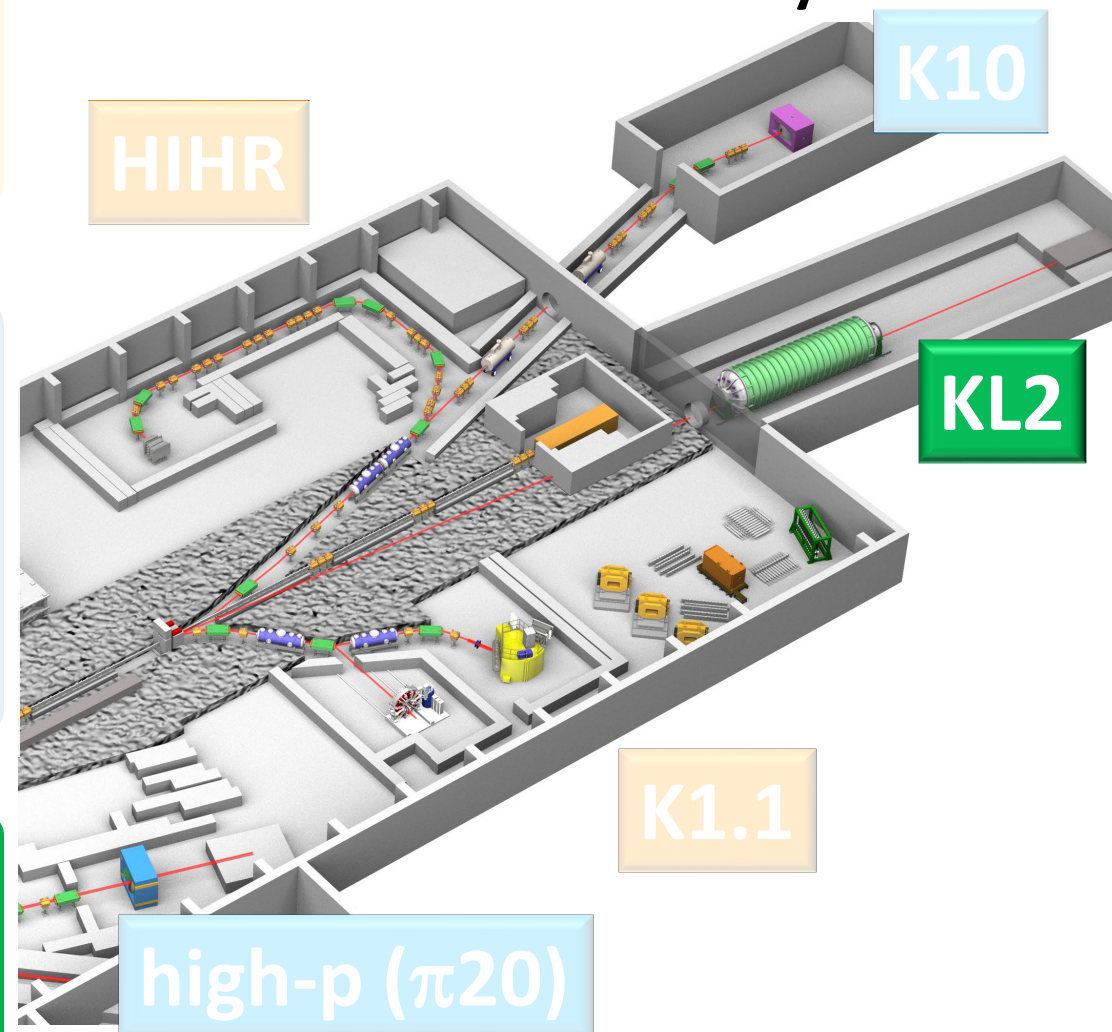
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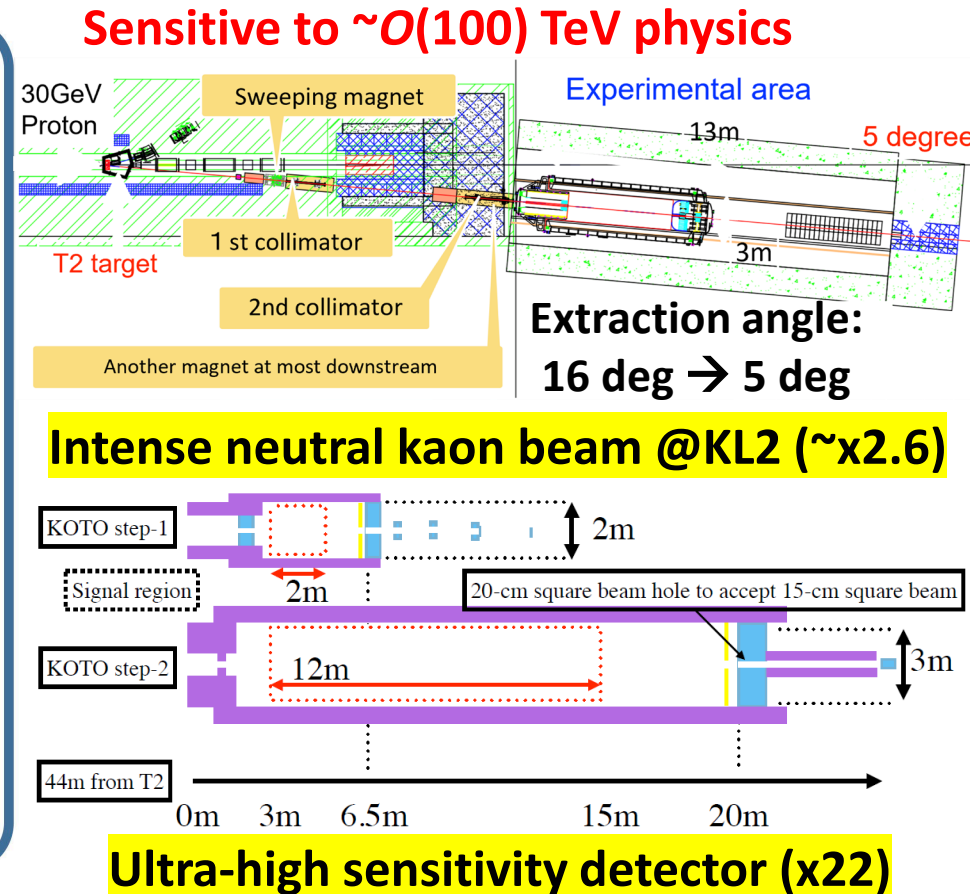
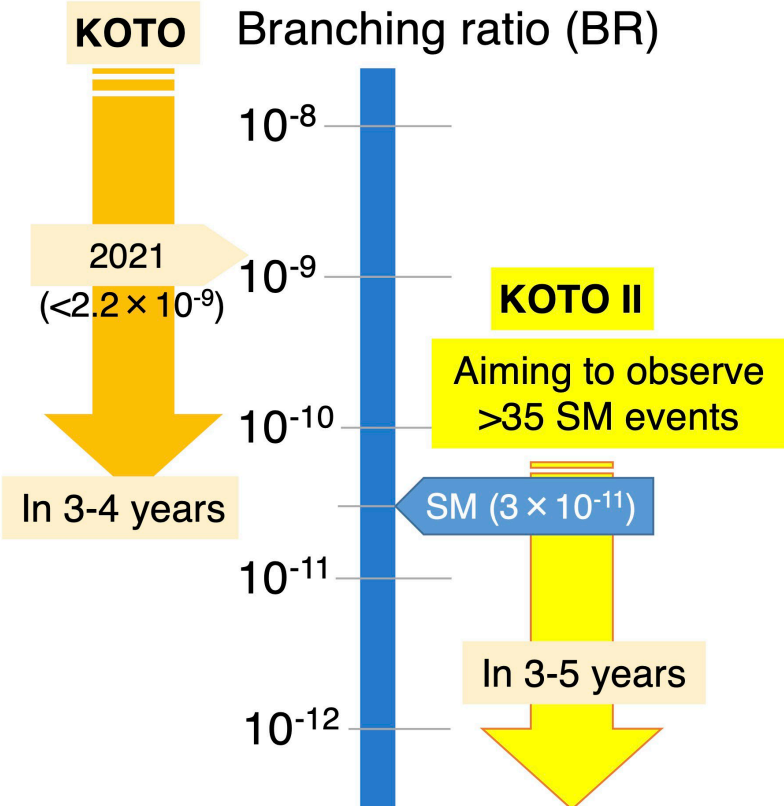
Flavor Physics: New Physics Search at KOTO II

Is there new physics beyond the Standard Model?

Rare kaon decay: $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$

One of the best probes for new physics searches

- Directly break CP symmetry
- Suppressed in the SM $\rightarrow$ Branching ratio $\sim 3 \times 10^{-11}$
- Small theoretical uncertainties ($\sim 2\%$)



New physics search with world's highest sensitivity more than 100 times

- Discover the $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$ signal with 5σ
- Measure the branching ratio with 30% accuracy

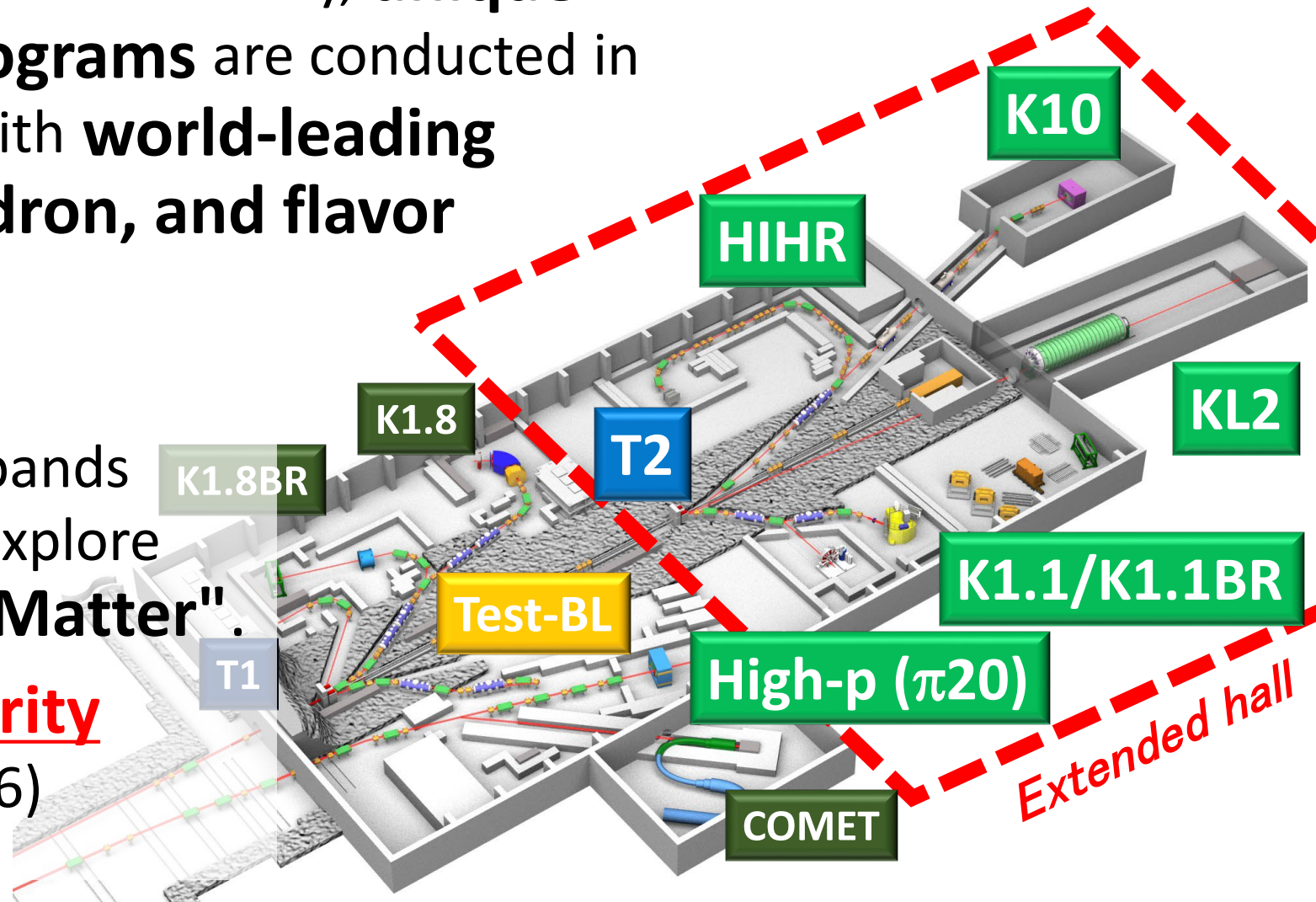
Indicate new physics, if deviation from the SM $> 40\%$

Summary

- At the J-PARC Hadron Experimental Facility, **unique high-intensity research programs** are conducted in particle and nuclear physics, with **world-leading studies in strangeness, hadron, and flavor physics**.

- The **extension project** expands research programs to further explore the "**Origin & Evolution of Matter**".

- Selected as **KEK's top-priority project** (PIP2022, FY2022–26)





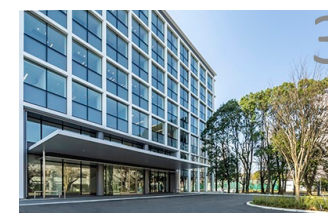
Project Refined with Communities

<https://www.rcnp.osaka-u.ac.jp/~jparchua/en/hefextension.html>





Many Encouraging Comments at the Town Meeting, HEF-ex 2025



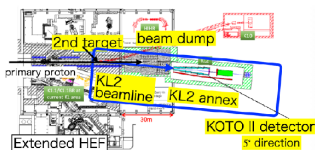
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<https://kds.kek.jp/event/55177>

Comments from KL2

- 13 inputs from country groups, institutions, and theorists in the KOTO II collaboration
- Strong messages to realize KOTO II with KEK as a host institution
 - We will endeavour to realize KOTO II
 - We will do all we can to secure funding and contribute to the successful realization of KOTO II
 - We will make our best / all possible efforts to realize KOTO II



J-PARC KOTO II (E107) (scientifically approved)



77 members + 2 observers
34 institutions, 11 countries

Key Comments (1)

Catalina Oana Curceanu(INFN-LNF)

- J-PARC is an excellent hub for hadron and exotic atom physics.
- Reinforcing the Italy–Japan partnership will expand global collaboration.
 - Beyond physics, it will build a strong community and train the next generation.

Taku Gunji (CNS)

- The extension project has high complementarity with the science mission of the EIC, advancing both science and technology.
- Global collaboration is essential to raise J-PARC's profile and foster joint hadron experiments.

Key Comments (2)

Jung Keun Ahn (Korea U)

- Four beamline collaborations are active, but stronger platforms are needed to raise J-PARC's global recognition.
- K10 could become an iconic beamline for hadron spectroscopy, requiring higher momentum (up to 19 GeV/c) and additional budget.
- We could launch an Asia-Pacific Nuclear Physics Organization, starting with a Korea–Japan partnership and supported by government-level funding.
 - KEK should secure the primary beamline area to advance the HEF extension.

Key Comments (3)

Benjamin Doenigus(Goethe U)

- Complete current experiments and start proposed experiments in a timely manner to provide baselines for upcoming measurements elsewhere.
- Start the HEF extension smoothly, prioritizing HIHR and K1.1, with potential contributions feasible depending on timescales.

Karin Schöning(Uppsala U)

- J-PARC uniquely enables “tailor-made” experiments, bridging the gap from the delayed PANDA project.
- Uppsala group is exploring planned K1.1 scattering experiments with potential funding support.

Key Comments (4)

James Ritman (GSI)

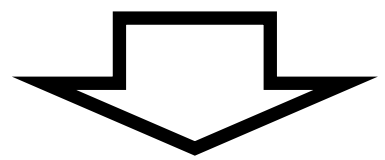
- J-PARC Hadron Hall extension and FAIR have strong synergy potential, with broad physics scope and possibly staged timelines.
- A general-purpose detector (GPD) could attract international collaborators, and its feasibility should be explored.
 - But compromises are needed since no GPD can replace dedicated systems.

Thank you very much!

Status of the Extension Project

listed as a candidate for government funding:

- MEXT Roadmap 2020^{2012, 2014}
- Science Council of Japan Master Plan 2020^{2011, 2014, 2017}



The project was selected as **the top-priority project** to be budgeted in the KEK mid-term plan (FY2022-26) at KEK-PIP2022 (Project Implementation Plan)

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1.Report:The 4th Meeting of The KEK Science Advisory Committee (English, March 15, 2023)

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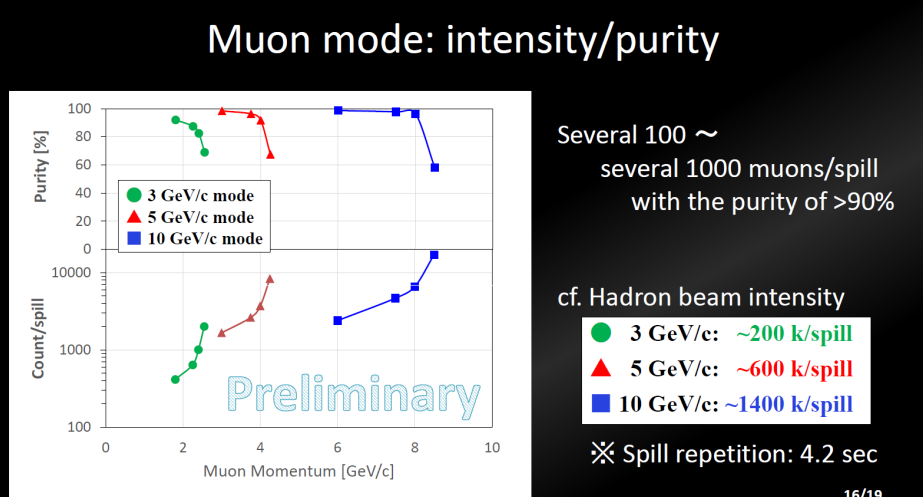
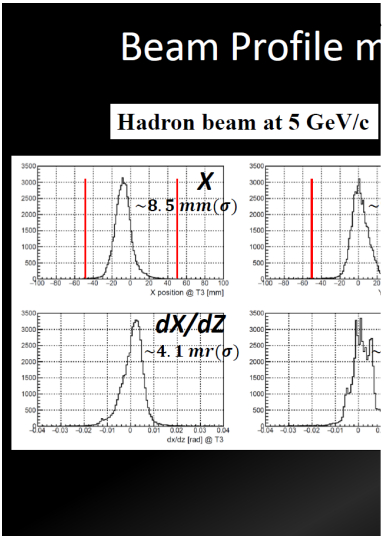
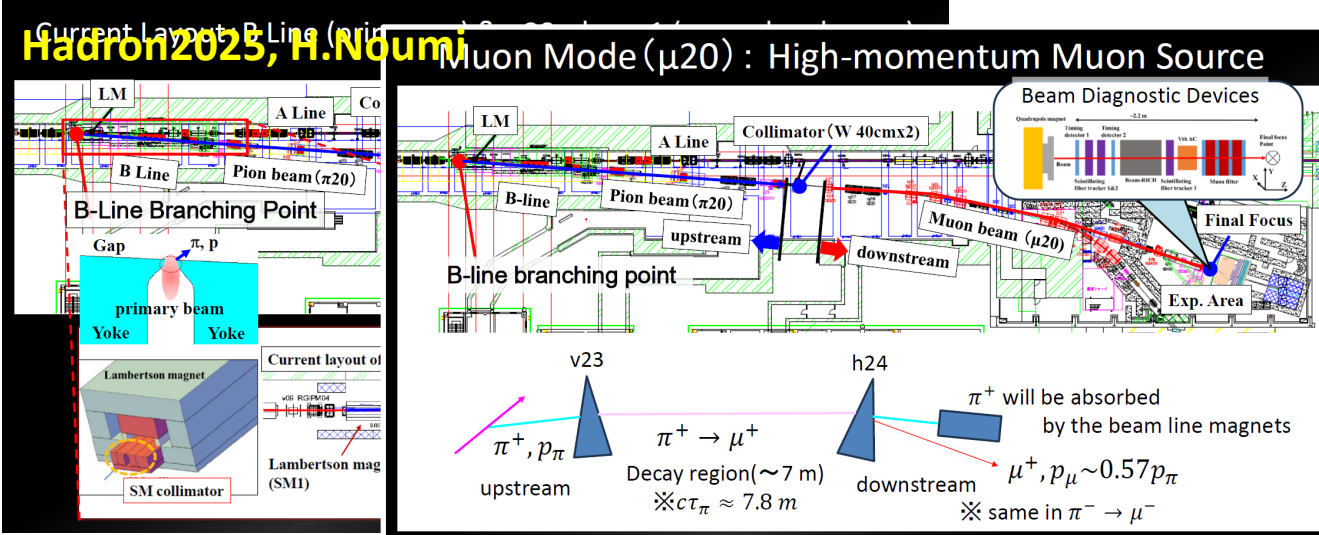
What is KEK

Mission

Organization

Corporatedevelopment

Toward $\pi 20$, we successfully demonstrated positive secondary beam transport at the high-p BL.



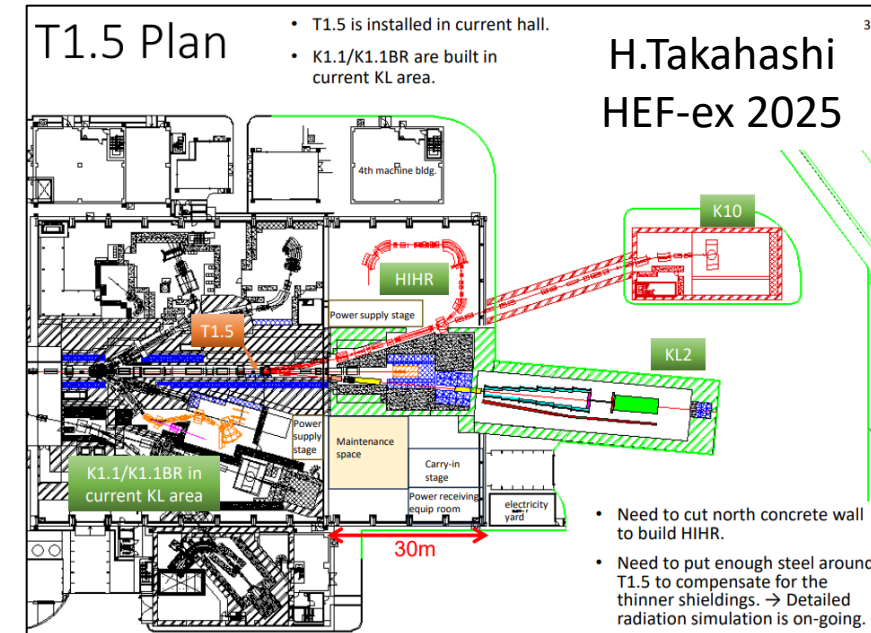
Status of the Extension Project

KEK-PIP2016 (2016-21)	
1 st	J-PARC upgrade for Hyper-K
2 nd	HL-LHC/ATLAS
3 rd	H-line and g-2/EDM
4 th	HEF Extension

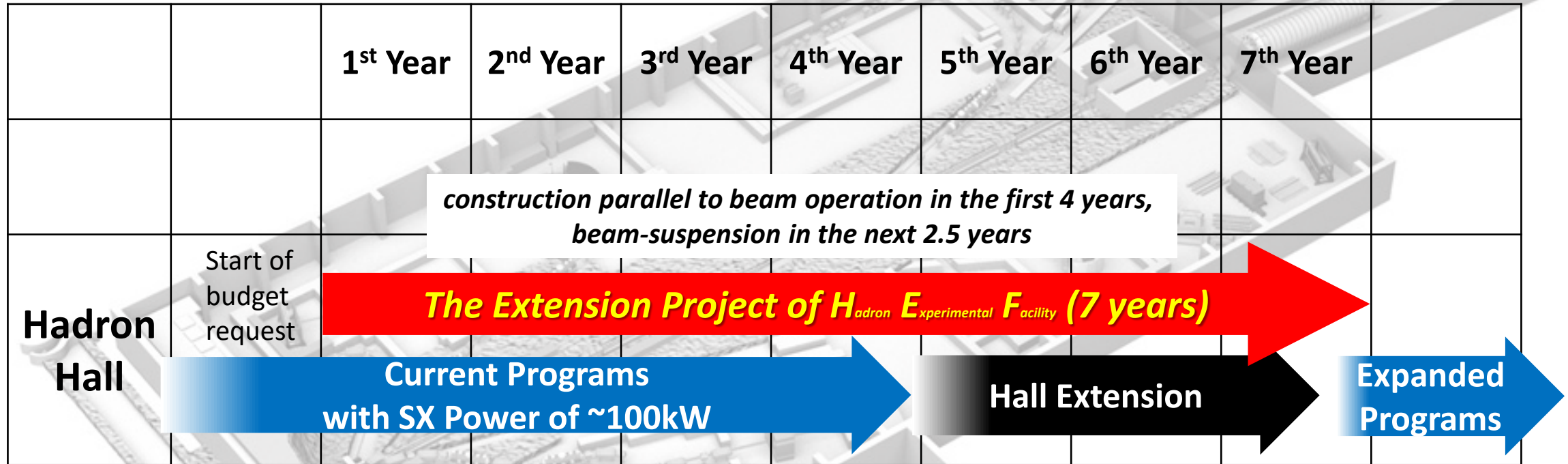


KEK-PIP2022 (2022-27)	
1 st	HEF Extension
2 nd	Contribution to HL-LHC
3 rd	LiteBIRD
4 th	Transmission Muon Microscope

- Hadron Hall expansion is top budget priority at KEK.
 - Except for the g-2/EDM experiment = left over from PIP2016.
 - For g-2/EDM, funding for the detector has already started, while cost reduction for the building is still under consideration.
- Toward the early realization of the Hadron Hall expansion:
 - cost reduction and optimization
 - a step-by-step implementation plan with smaller phases
 - exploring possible financial support from outside KEK
- Your support is essential!**



Timeline of the Project



The project is ready to start!

→ We are working on getting the timeline consistent with current programs

Strangeness Nuclear Physics



Jefferson Lab

JG|U
JOHANNES GUTENBERG
UNIVERSITÄT MAINZ



	HIHR	JLab	Mainz
Reaction	(π^+, K^+)	$(e, e'K^+)$	Decay π
Achievable Precision (keV)	⊙ <100	⊙ <100	⊙ <100
Applicable hypernuclei	⊙ All Z	○ Light – Medium Heavy (Larger Z, higher BG)	× Only Ground states of light hypernuclei
Availability of Neutron rich HY	⊙ DCX $A_{\Lambda}(Z-2)$	○ $A_{\Lambda}(Z-1)$	○ Fragmentation only 2body-decay
Flexibility of beamtime	⊙ Permanently Installed Beamline & Spectrometer	× Large-scale Installation (several months)	○ Kaon Spectrometer Installation (a few weeks)
Absolute Energy Calibration	Δ ^{12}C $p(\pi^-, K^+)\Sigma^-$ Decay π	⊙ $p(e, e'K^+)\Lambda, \Sigma^0$	○ Elastic e scattering

**Systematic measurement
can be performed @ HIHR**

$(\pi^+, K^+): n \rightarrow \Lambda$
 $(e, e'K^+): p \rightarrow \Lambda$
 $\Rightarrow$ Inf. on CSB

- 2-/3-body interactions via femtoscopy
- Huge data-set in Run3 (2022-25) ~
- Sensitive to S-wave (lower-mom. region)

Spin observables scattering

Complementary



More detailed information @ K1.1

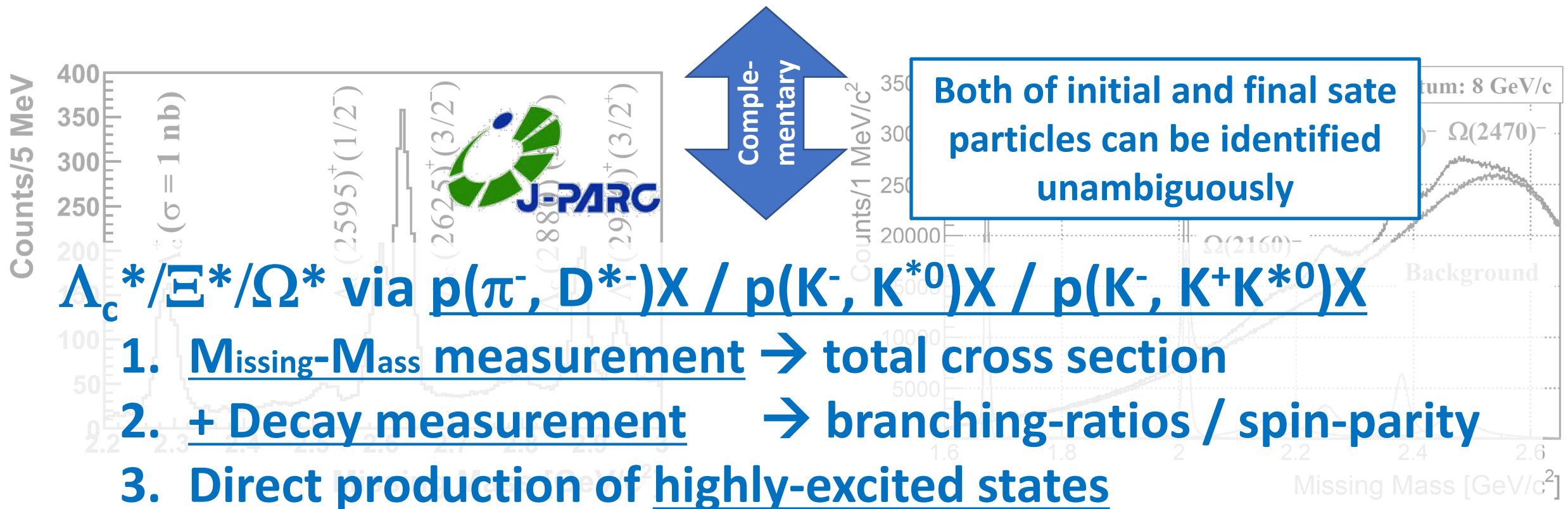
- differential quantities ($d\sigma/d\Omega$, etc.)
- spin observables
- Sensitive to higher partial wave in addition to S-wave

$\rightarrow$ Sensitive spin-spin force + ...

Diquarks in Baryons

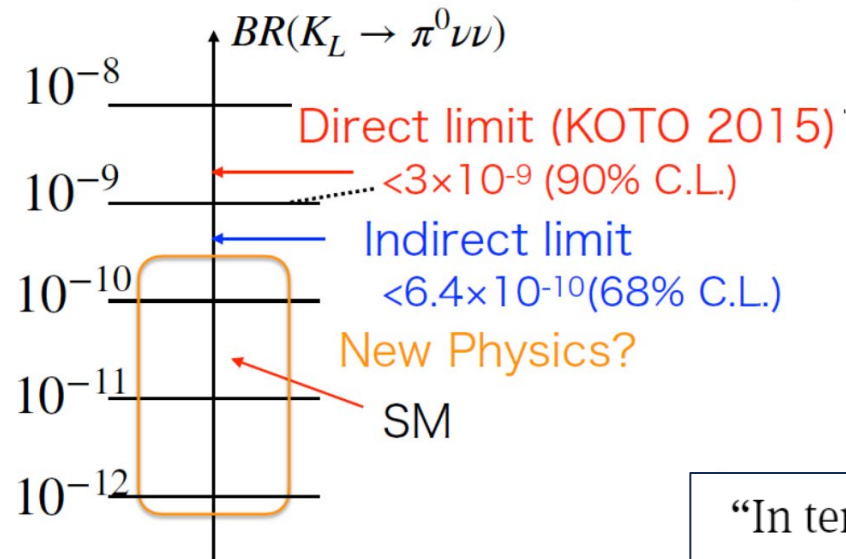


- High capabilities of hadron spectroscopy in c-sector, via inv. mass reconst.



K Rare Decays @ CERN

- NA62@CERN: $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$ has been investigated
 - Run1: 2016-18, Run2: 2021-24 $\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) = (13.0^{+3.3}_{-3.0}) \times 10^{-11}$ JHEP 02 (2025) 191
- HIKE@CERN: $K^{+/-} \rightarrow \pi^{+/-} l^+ l^-$, $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$ searches are planned as the next of NA62, but...

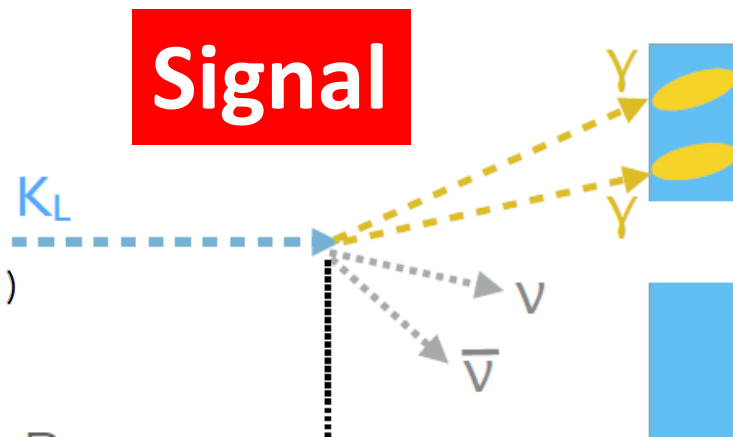


“In terms of their science, SHiP and HIKE/SHADOWS were ranked equally by the relevant scientific committees,” explains CERN director for research and computing Joachim Mnich. “But a decision had to be made, and SHiP was a strategic choice for CERN.”

$K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$ search @ KOTO/KOTO2

$$K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu} \quad \text{BR} = 3 \times 10^{-11}$$

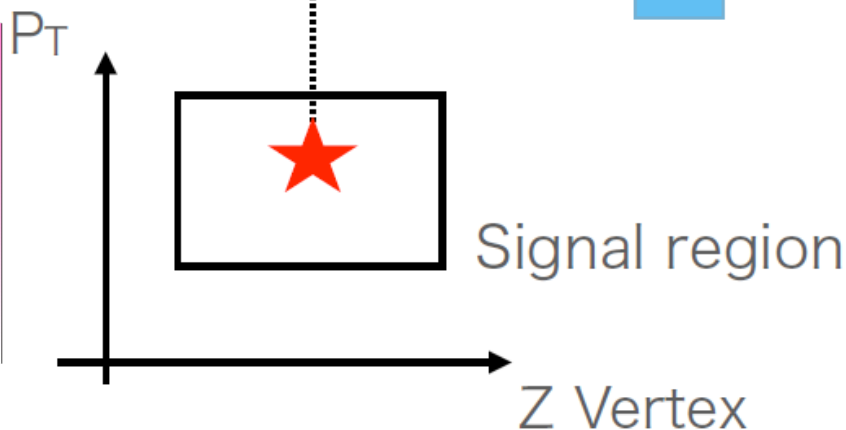
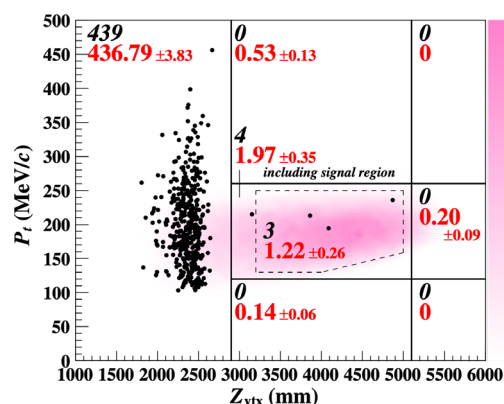
Signal



Assuming 2γ from π^0 ,
Calculate z vertex.

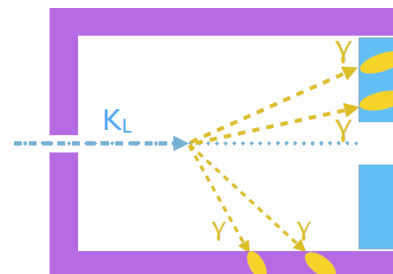
$$M^2(\pi^0) = 2E_1 E_2 (1 - \cos \theta)$$

Calculate π^0 transverse
momentum



$$K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \quad \text{BR} = 8.6 \times 10^{-4}$$

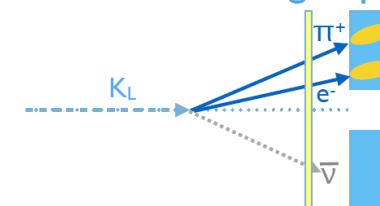
more photons



* Cover decay volume with
veto detectors

$$K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ e^- \bar{\nu} \quad \text{BR} = 4.0 \times 10^{-1}$$

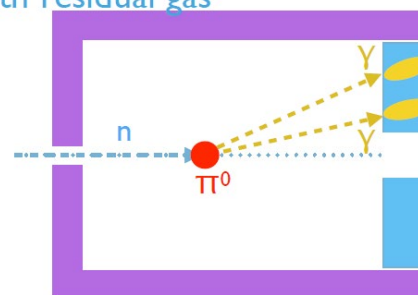
charged particles



* Detect charged particles with
plastic scintillators

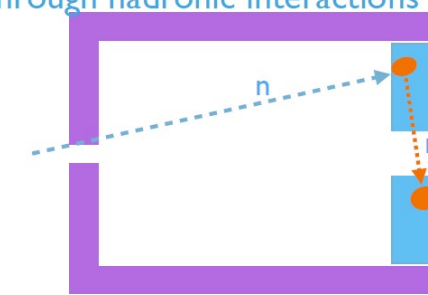
Backgrounds

π^0 Production through the interaction
with residual gas



* Keep the decay volume to be
high vacuum

Neutron make 2 clusters
through hadronic interactions

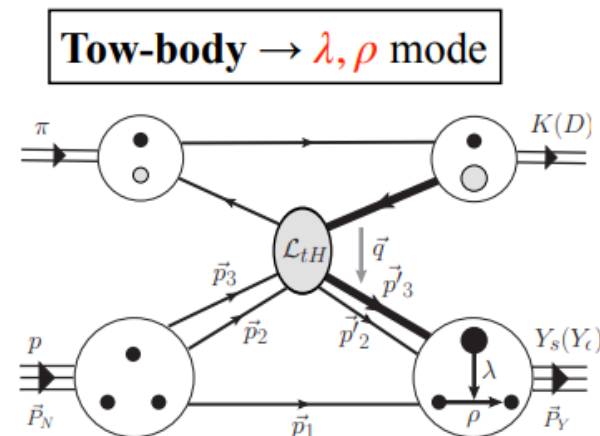
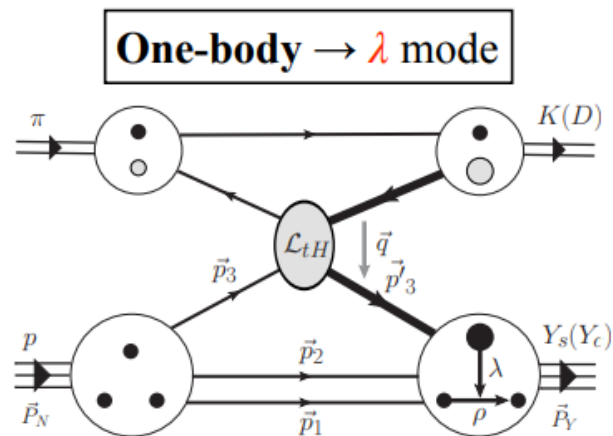


* Discriminate "neutron cluster"
from "photon cluster"

Diquark Production and Decay

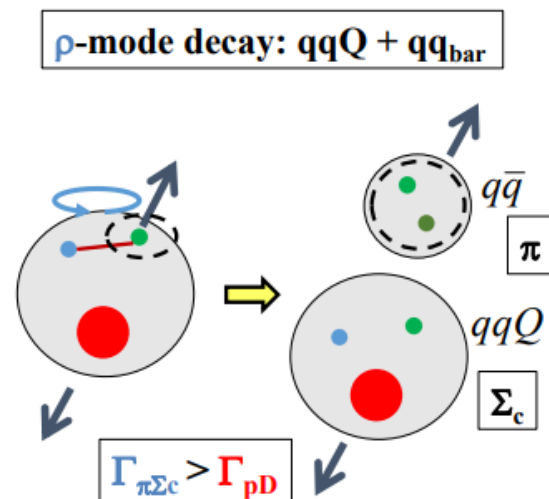
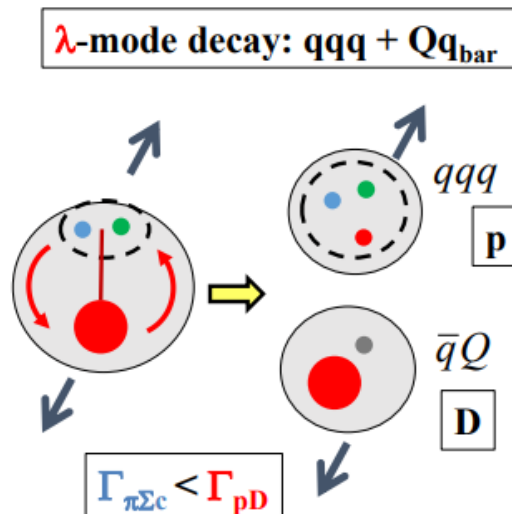
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Productions



Shim, Hosaka, Kim, PTEP 2020 (2020) 5, 053D01

Decays



Pictured by Shirotori & Noumi

E73: ${}^3,{}^4\text{He}(K^-, \pi^0){}^3,{}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$

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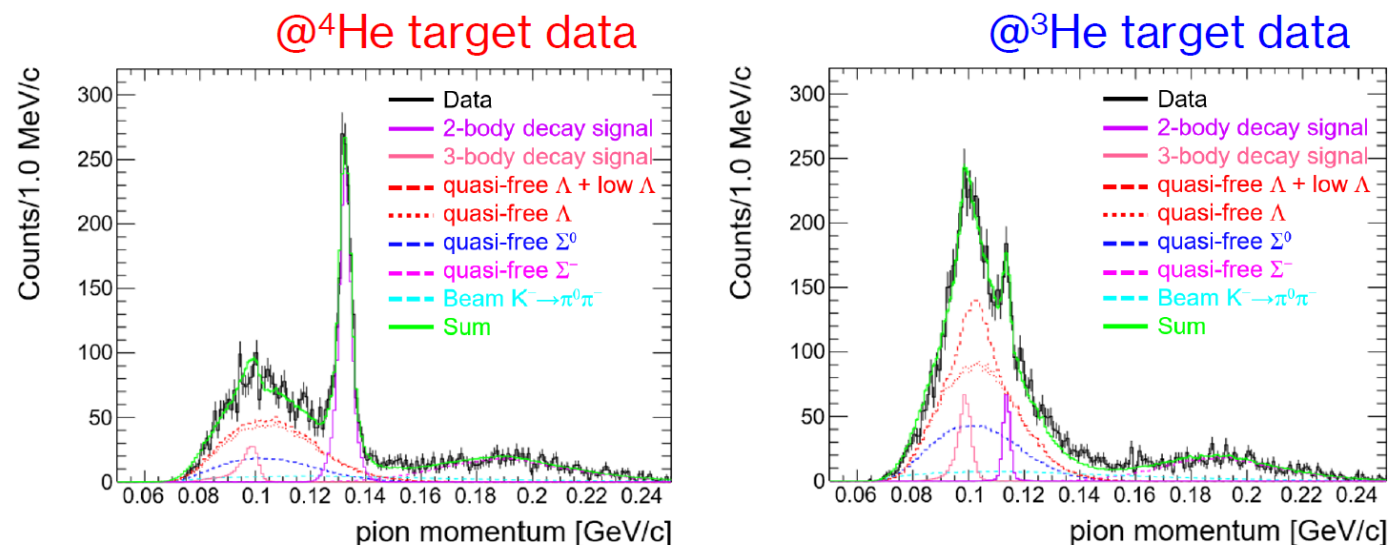
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Fitting the π^- momentum spectra



- Fitted with almost the same elements
 - ✓ Luminosity is almost same.
 - ✓ 2-body decay events: 1465(${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$), 225(${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$)

REIMEI Workshop at PKNU

T. Akaishi et al.,
arXiv:2509.16967

Result of production cross section

- Two-body decay branching ratio

$$\frac{\Gamma({}^{4,3}\text{He} + \pi^-)}{\Gamma_{\text{all}}} = \frac{\Gamma({}^{4,3}\text{He} + \pi^-)}{\Gamma_{\pi^-}} \times \frac{1}{(1 + \frac{\Gamma_{\pi^0}}{\Gamma_{\pi^-}} + \frac{\Gamma_{\text{nm}}}{\Gamma_{\pi^-}})}$$

Fractional branching ratio	Helium-4	Helium-3
$\Gamma({}^{4,3}\text{He} + \pi^-)/\Gamma_{\pi^-}$	0.690 ± 0.017	$0.357^{+0.028}_{-0.027}$
$\Gamma_{\pi^0}/\Gamma_{\pi^-}$	0.1	0.5
$\Gamma_{\text{nm}}/\Gamma_{\pi^-}$	0.26 ± 0.13	0.025
$\Gamma({}^{4,3}\text{He} + \pi^-)/\Gamma_{\text{all}}$	0.51 ± 0.05	0.23 ± 0.02

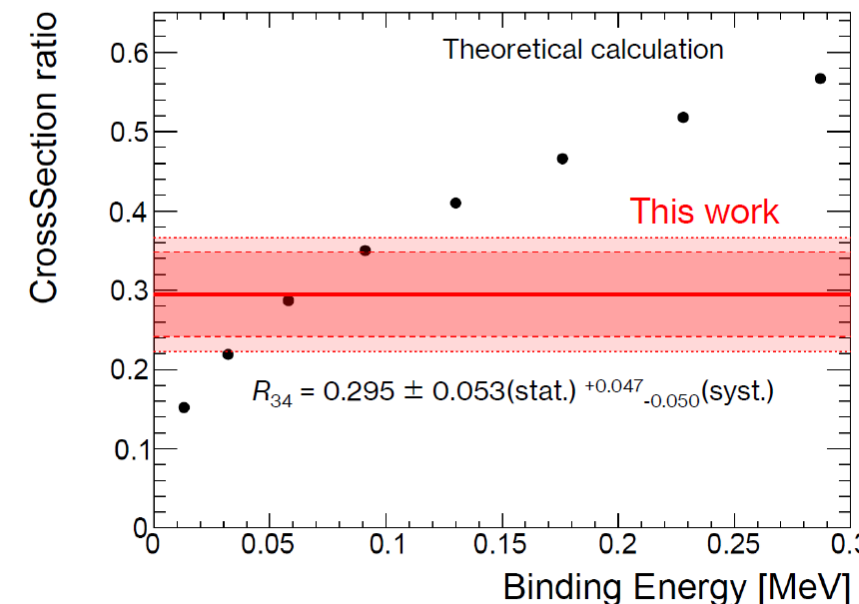
$$\sigma_{\Lambda}^{\theta_{\text{lab}}=0^\circ-20^\circ} = 50.7 \pm 2.1 \text{ (stat.) }^{+7.8}_{-8.3} \text{ (syst.) } \mu\text{b}$$

$$\sigma_{\Lambda}^{\theta_{\text{lab}}=0^\circ-20^\circ} = 15.0 \pm 2.6 \text{ (stat.) }^{+2.4}_{-2.8} \text{ (syst.) } \mu\text{b}$$

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Production cross sections of ${}^3,{}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ bound states in
 ${}^3,{}^4\text{He}(K^-, \pi^0)$ reactions at 1 GeV/c

Toru Harada ^{a,b,*}, Yoshiharu Hirabayashi ^c



${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ lifetime - PLB845(2023)138128
 ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ lifetime - analysis ongoing