



Prospect for the gamma-ray spectroscopy experiment of ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ with Hyperball system (J-PARC E63)

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J-PARC E63 collaboration

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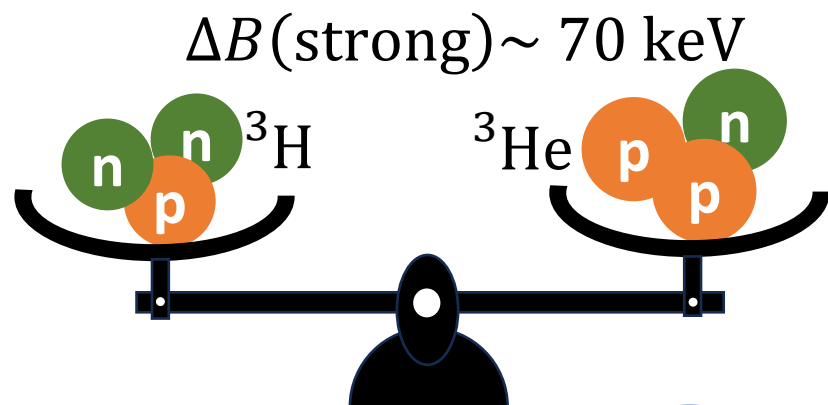
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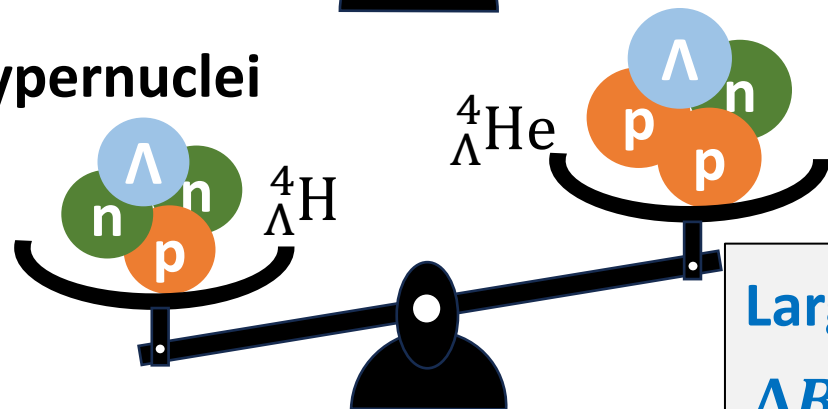
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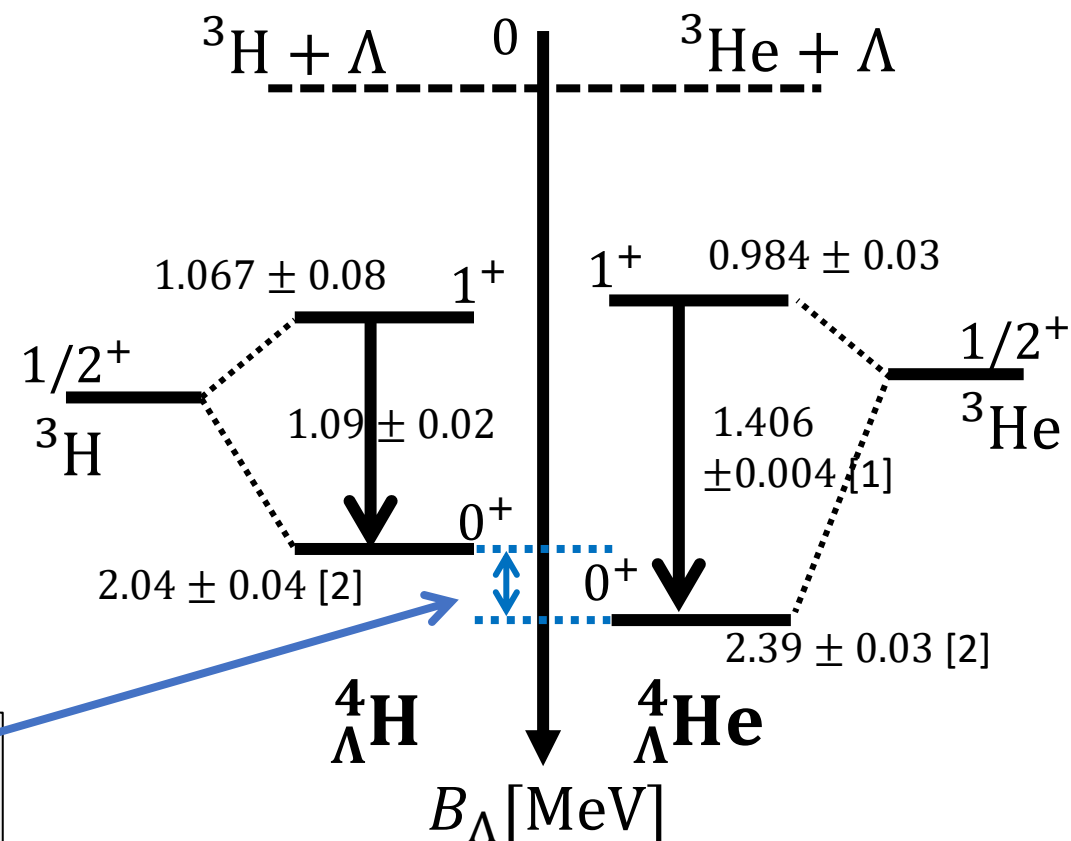


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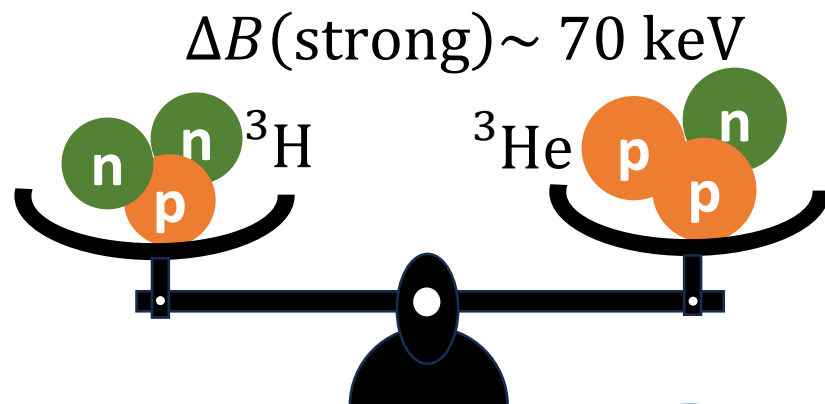
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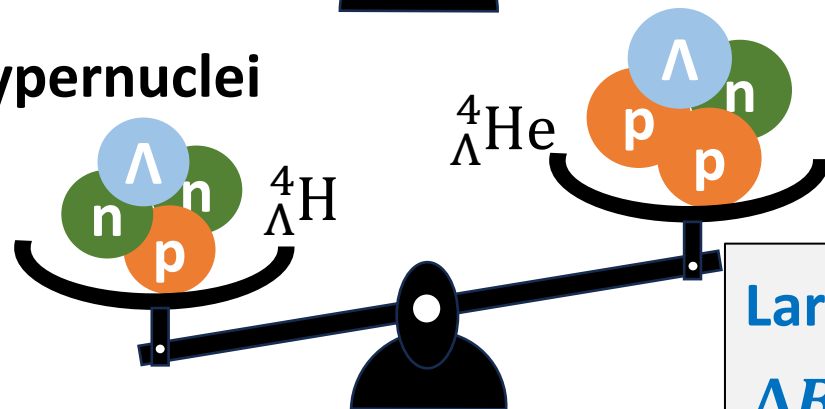
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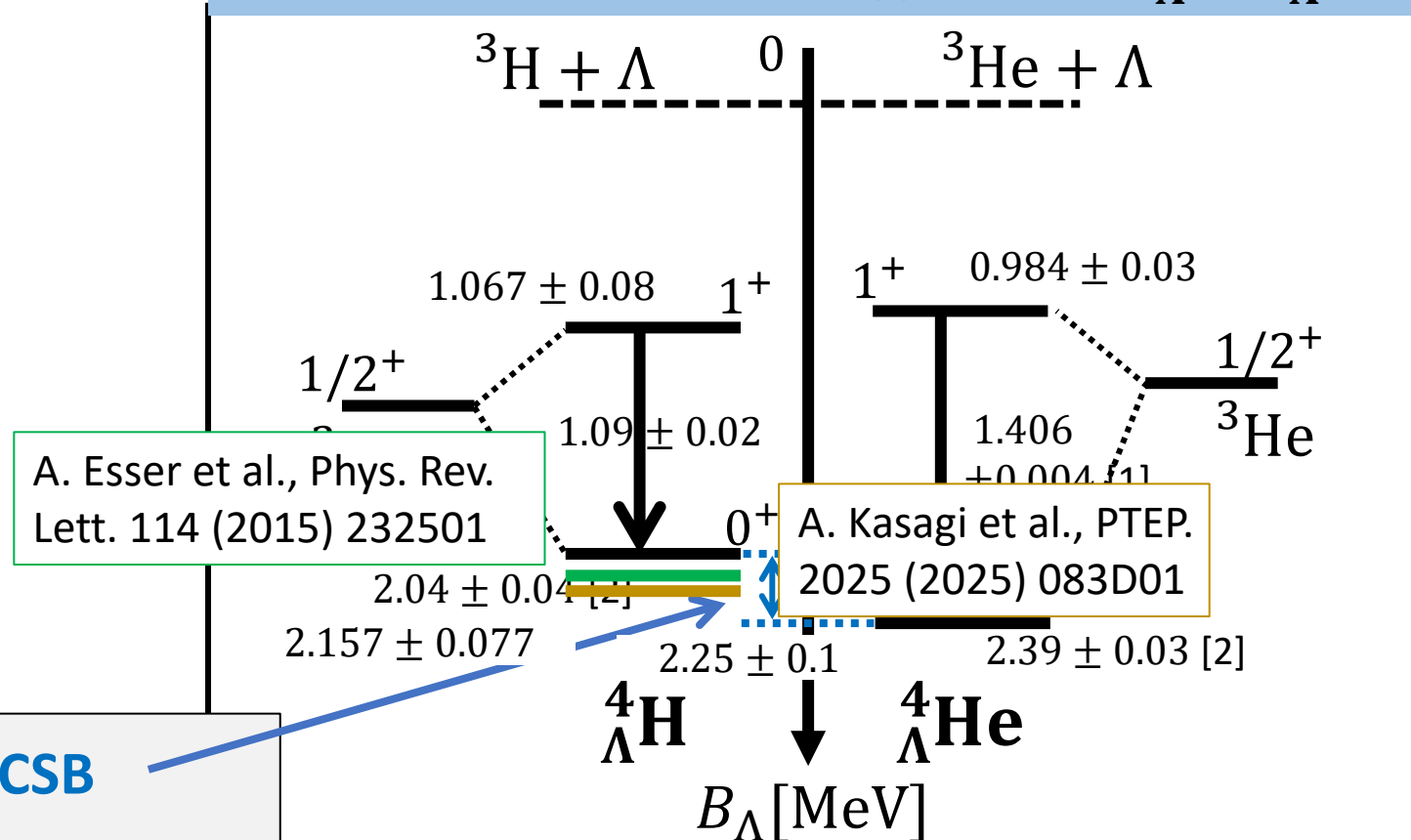
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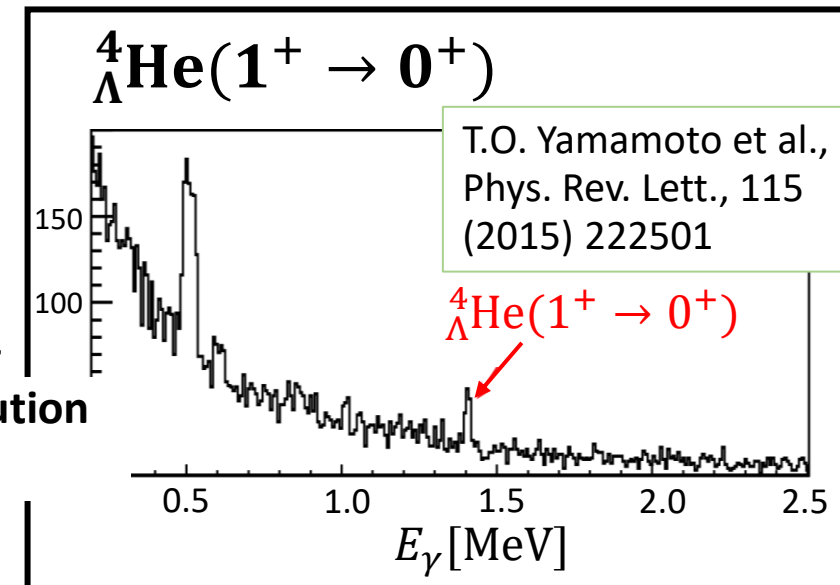
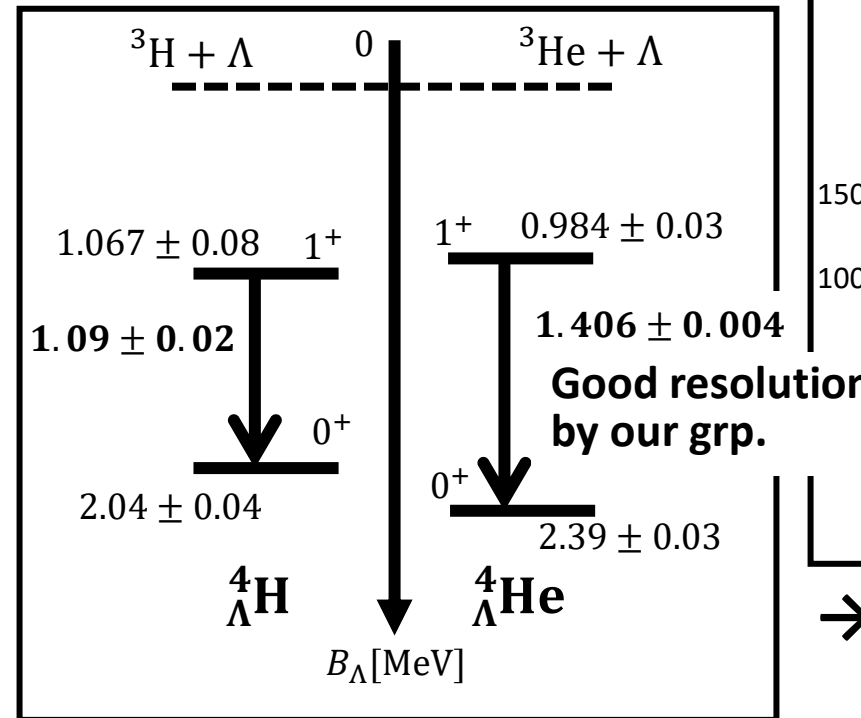


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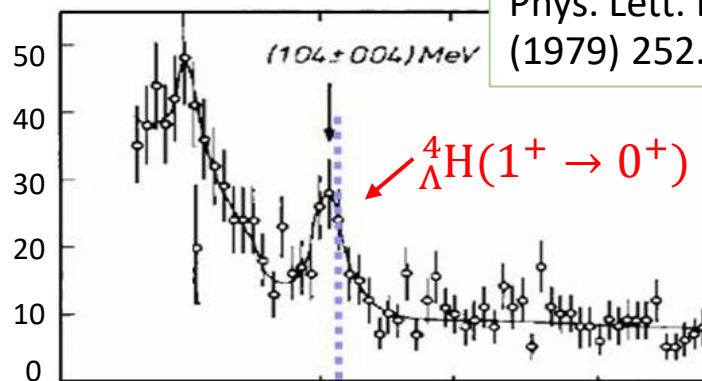
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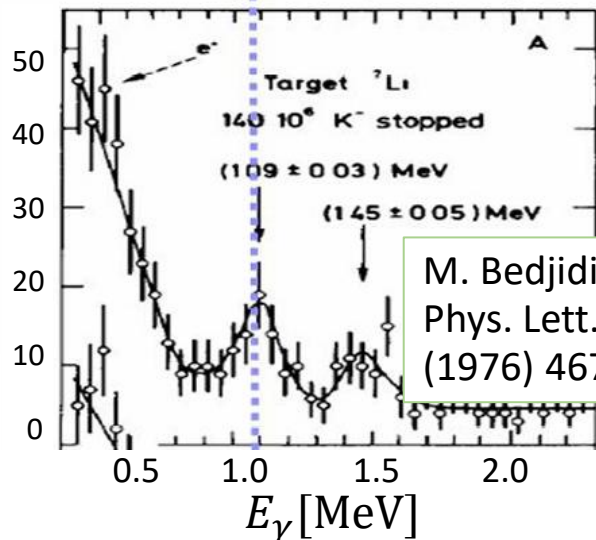
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$B_{\Lambda}[\text{MeV}]$

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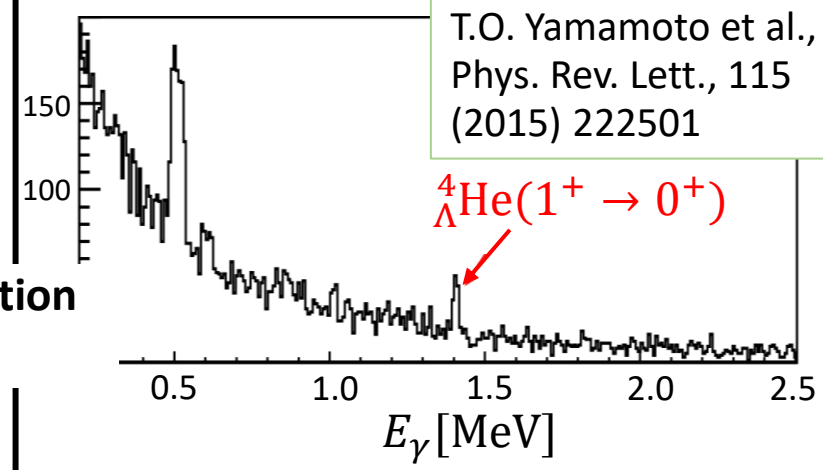
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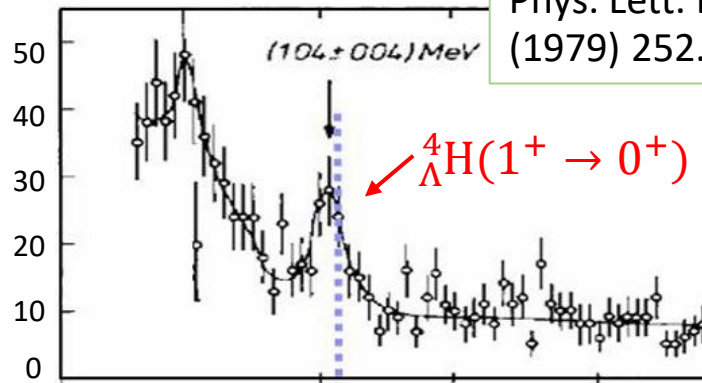
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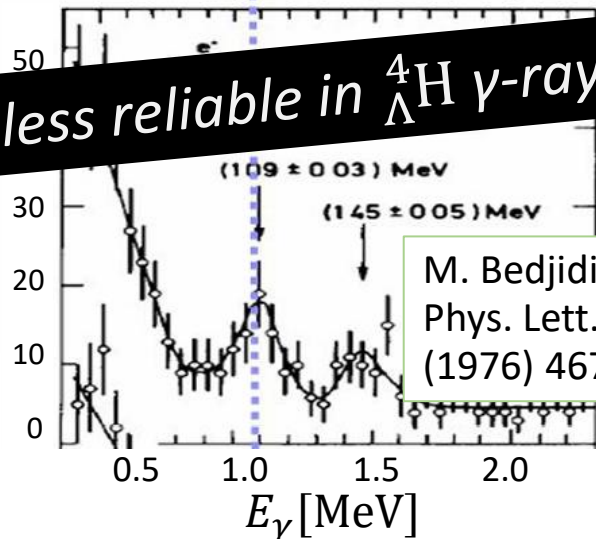
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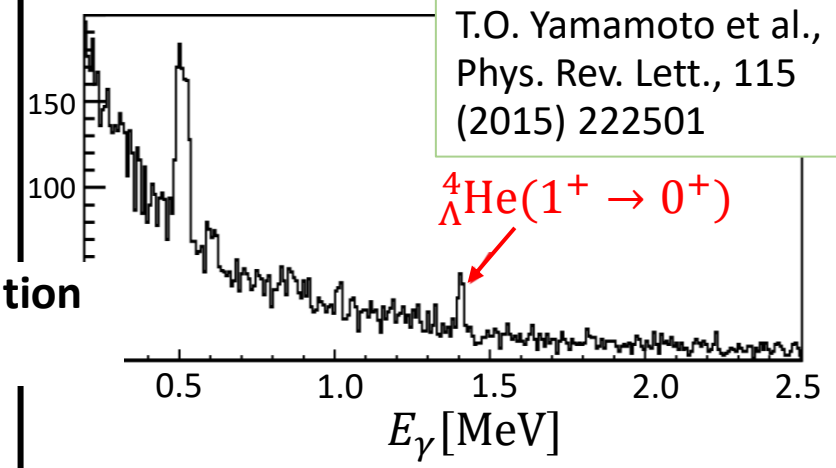
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a precise measurement of γ -ray from ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}(1^+ \rightarrow 0^+)$

by using a high-resolution Ge detector array at J-PARC

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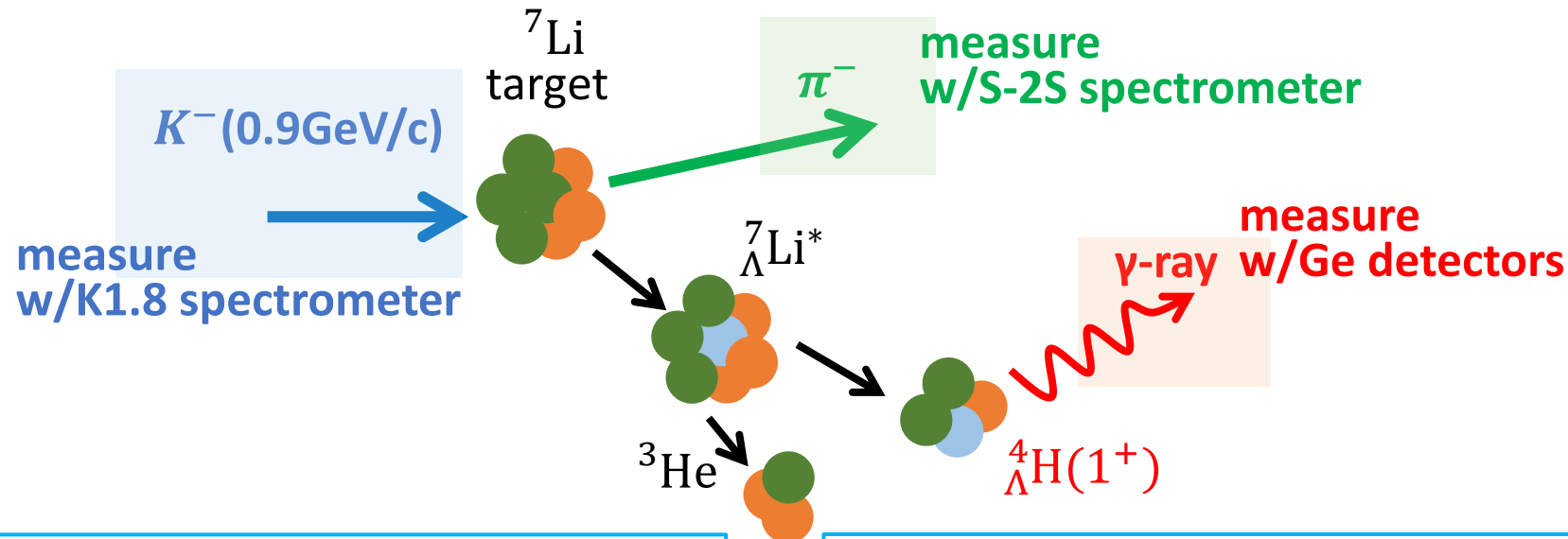
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Previous experiments

→ Stopped K^- on Li

- Large recoil momentum ($\sim 250\text{ MeV}/c$)
 - large doppler broadening

→ NaI Counters

- Bad energy resolution
 $\sim 100\text{ keV (FWHM)}$ at $1\text{ MeV } \gamma$

Our experiment

→ Inflight (K^- , π^-) by $0.9\text{ GeV}/c$ K^-

- Small recoil momentum ($\sim 70\text{ MeV}/c$)
 - small doppler broadening

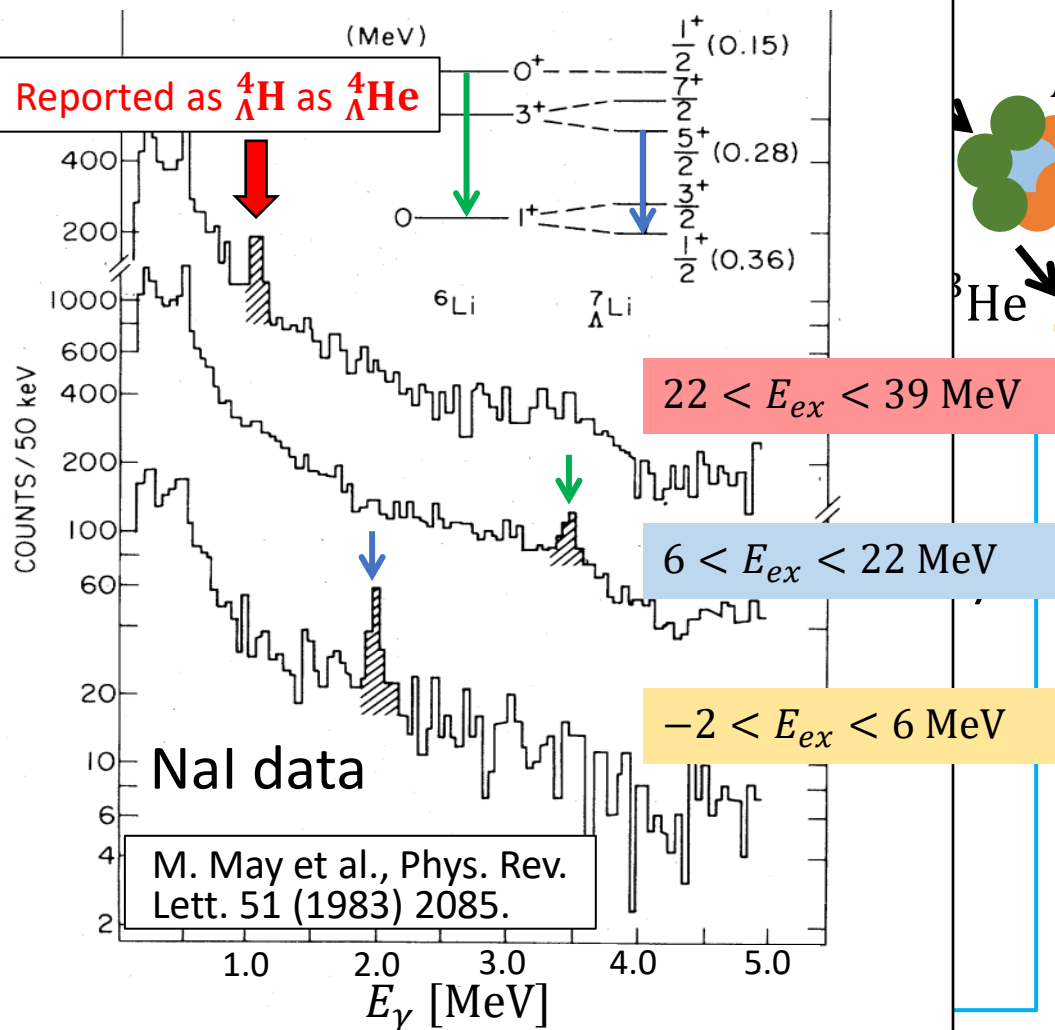
→ Ge detectors

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 $\sim 2\text{ keV (FWHM)}$ at $1\text{ MeV } \gamma$

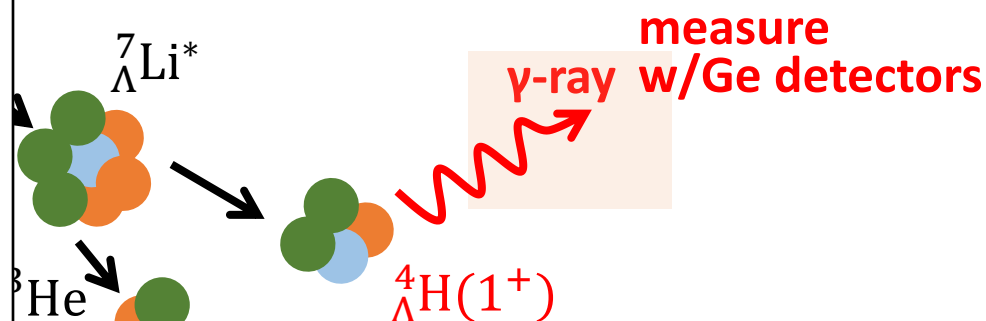
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This method should work well – old data

${}^7\text{Li}(K^-, \pi^-)$ @ $p_K = 0.82 \text{ GeV}/c$ (@BNL-AGS)



π^- measure w/S-2S spectrometer



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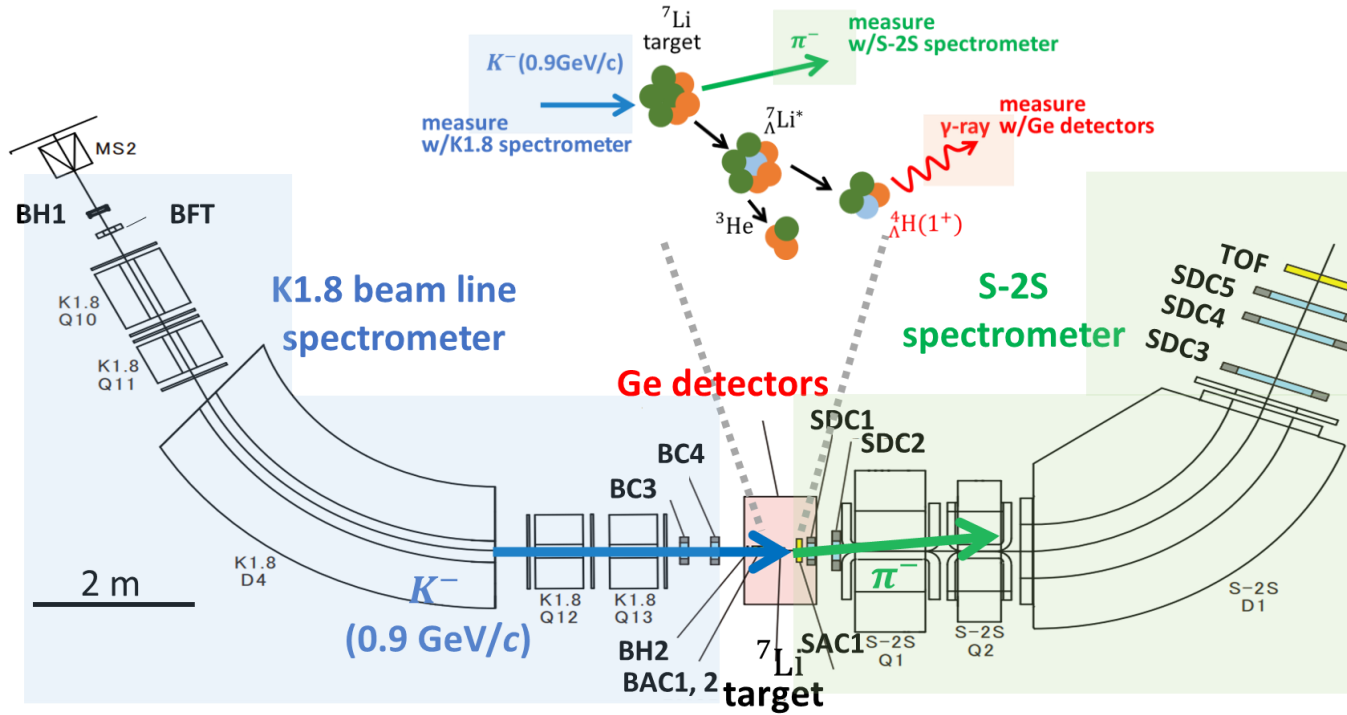
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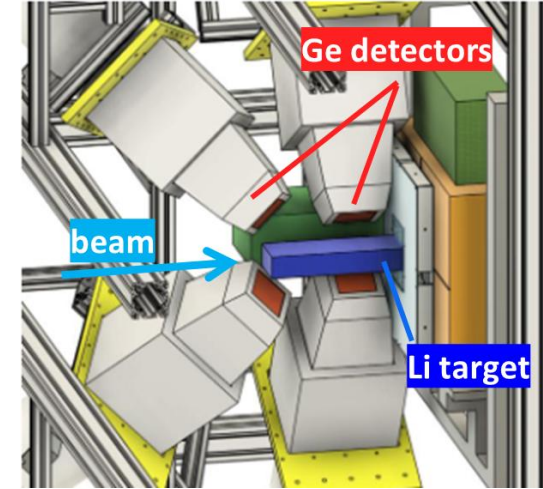
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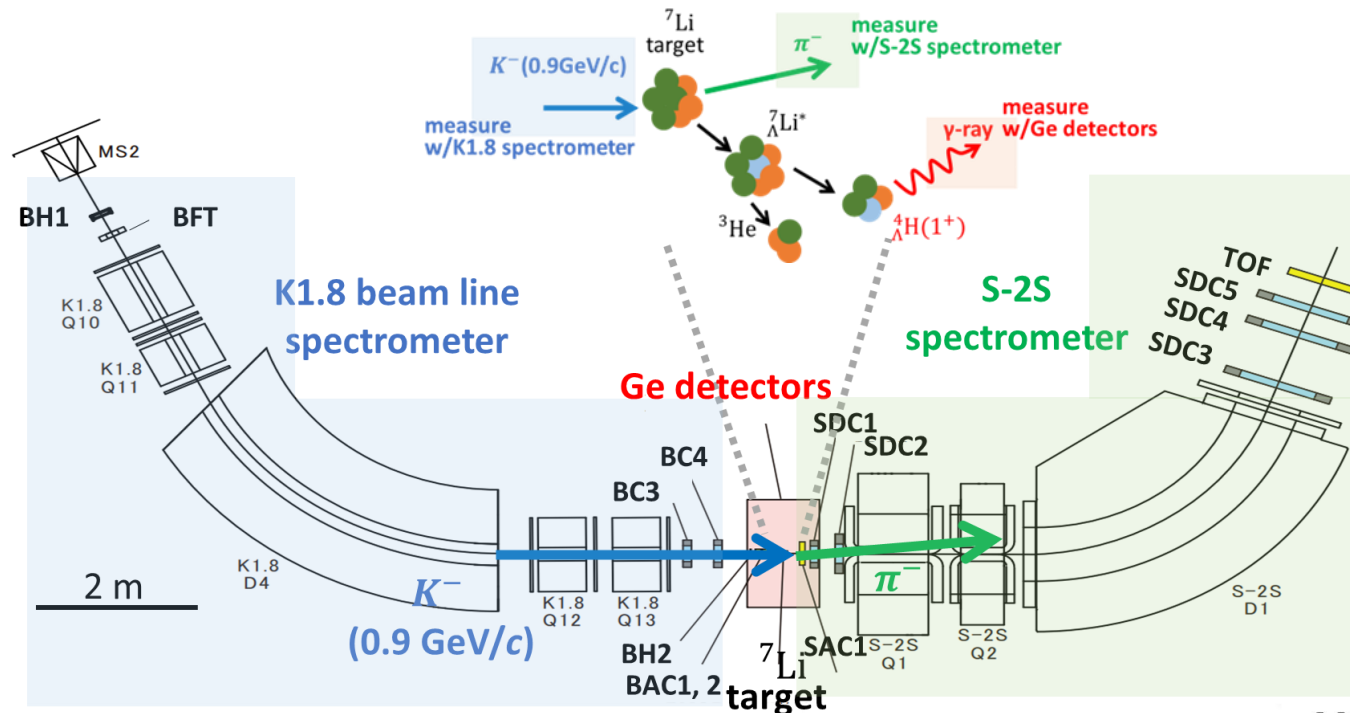


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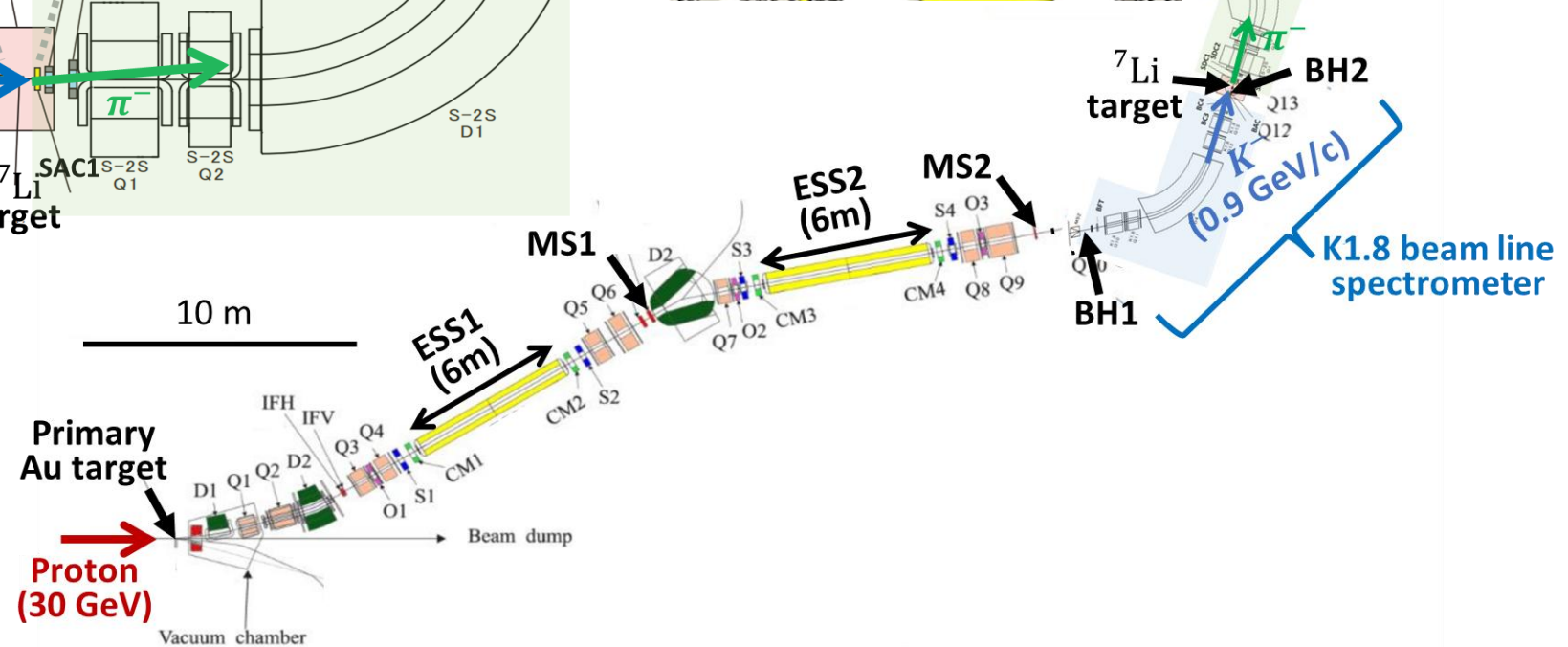
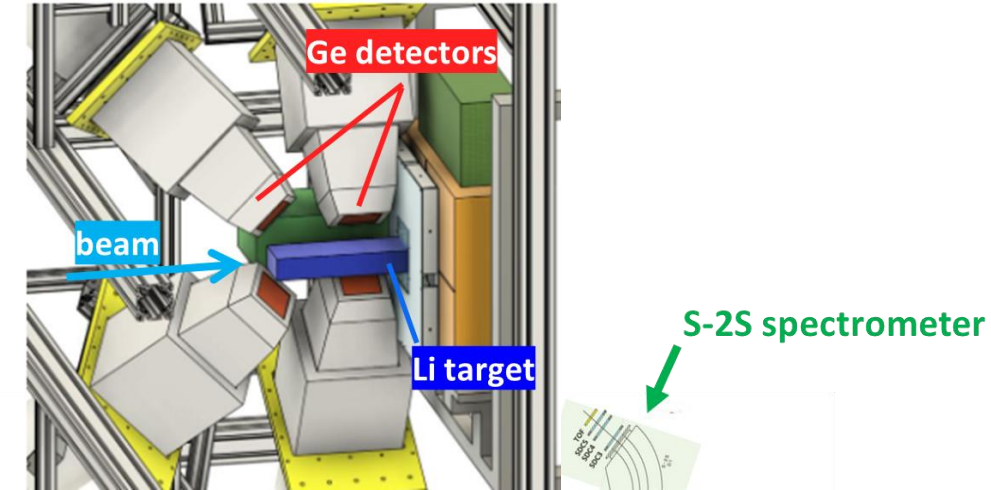


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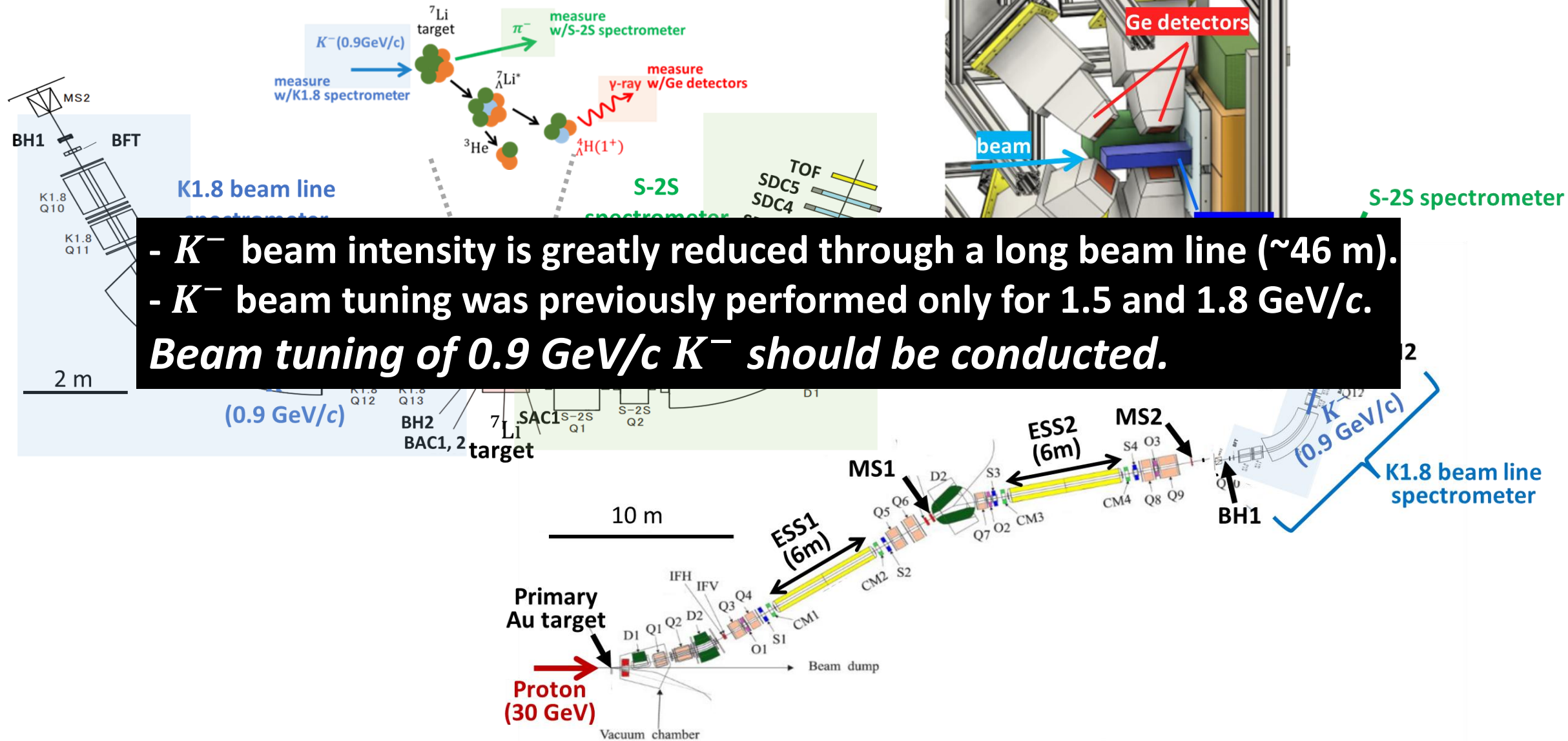
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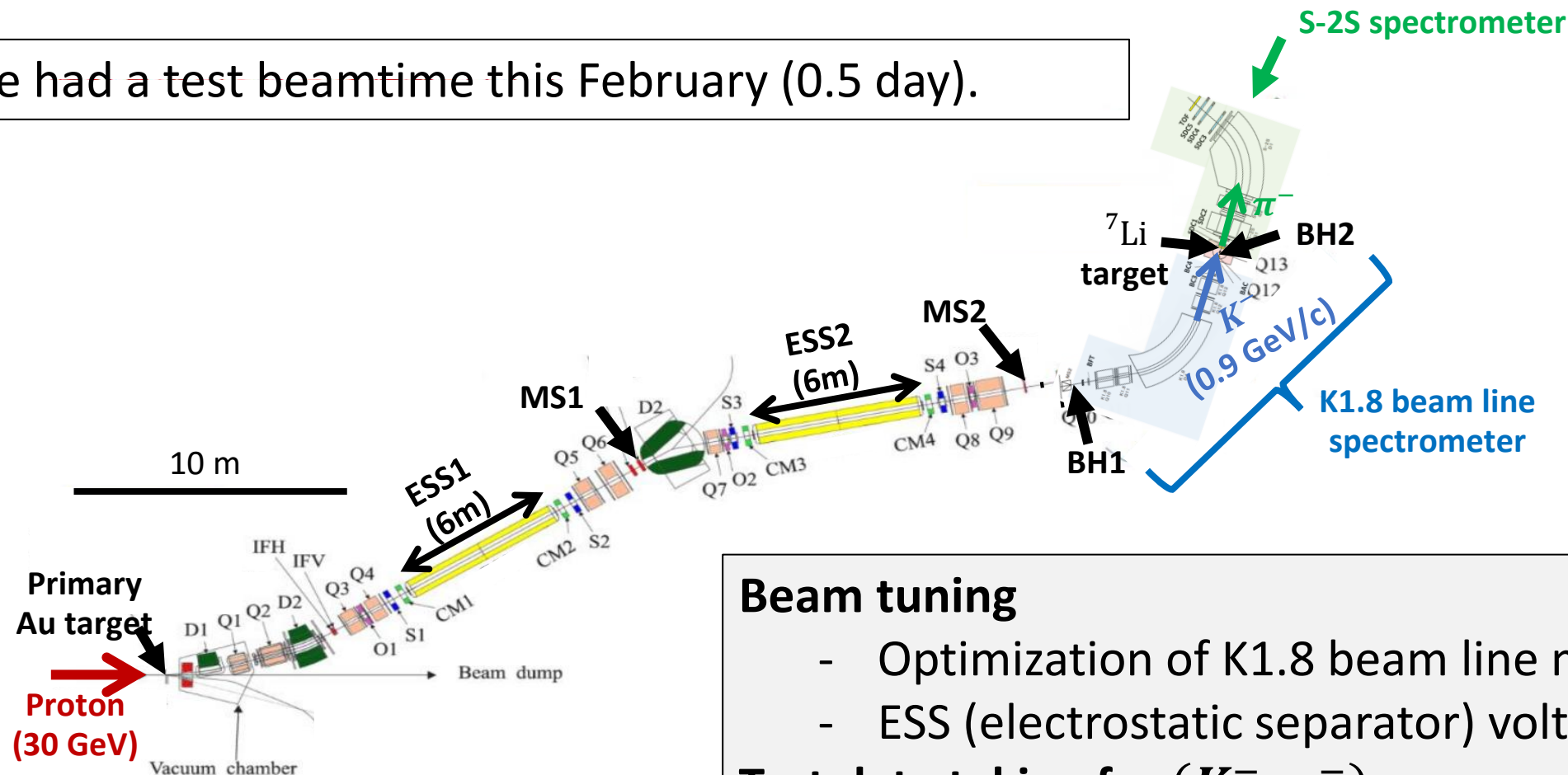
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Test with 0.9 GeV/c K^- beam

We had a test beamtime this February (0.5 day).



Beam tuning

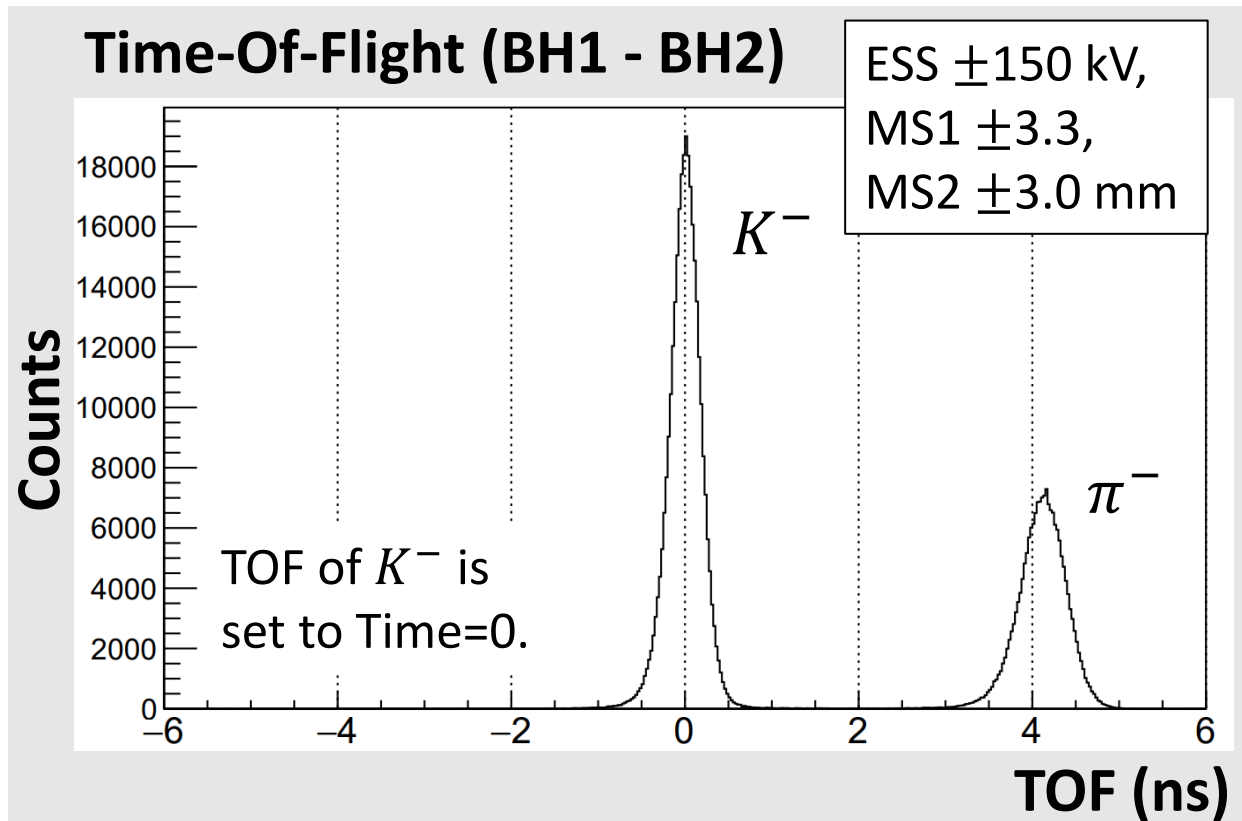
- Optimization of K1.8 beam line magnet currents
- ESS (electrostatic separator) voltage tuning

Test data taking for (K^- , π^-)

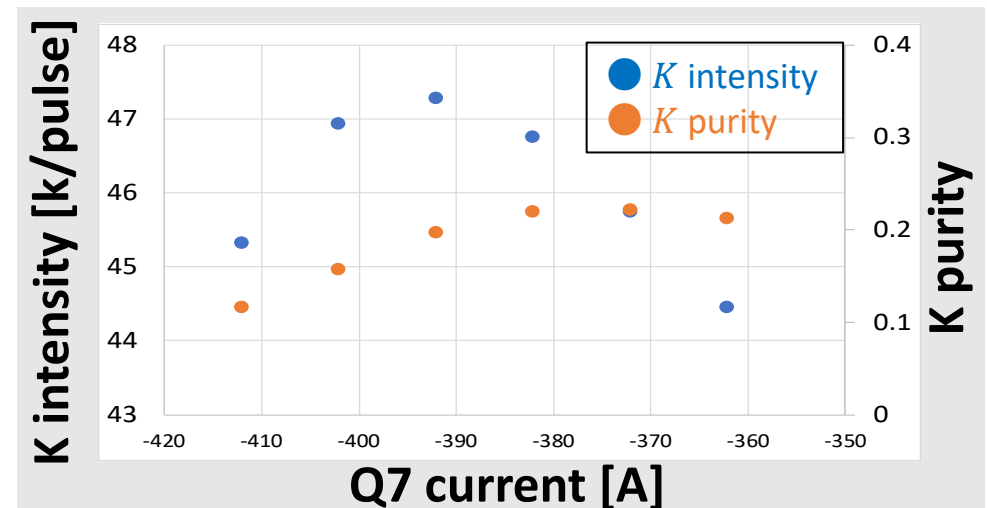
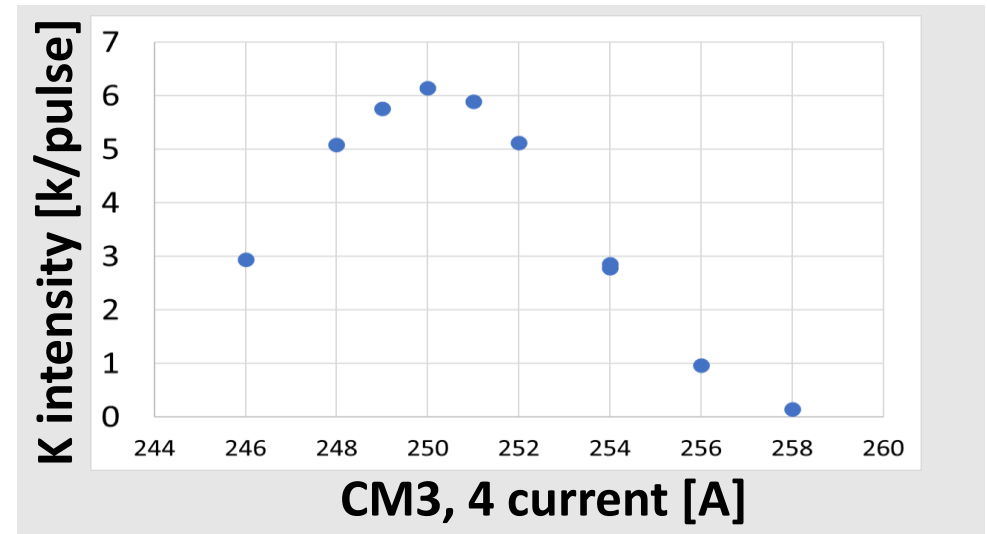
- With a $(\text{CH})_n$ target ($\sim 9 \text{ g/cm}^2$)
- Without target

Beam line tuning for 0.9 GeV/c K^- at K1.8

0.9 GeV/c K^- and π^- were identified by TOF between BH1 - BH2 (time difference ~ 4.4 ns).



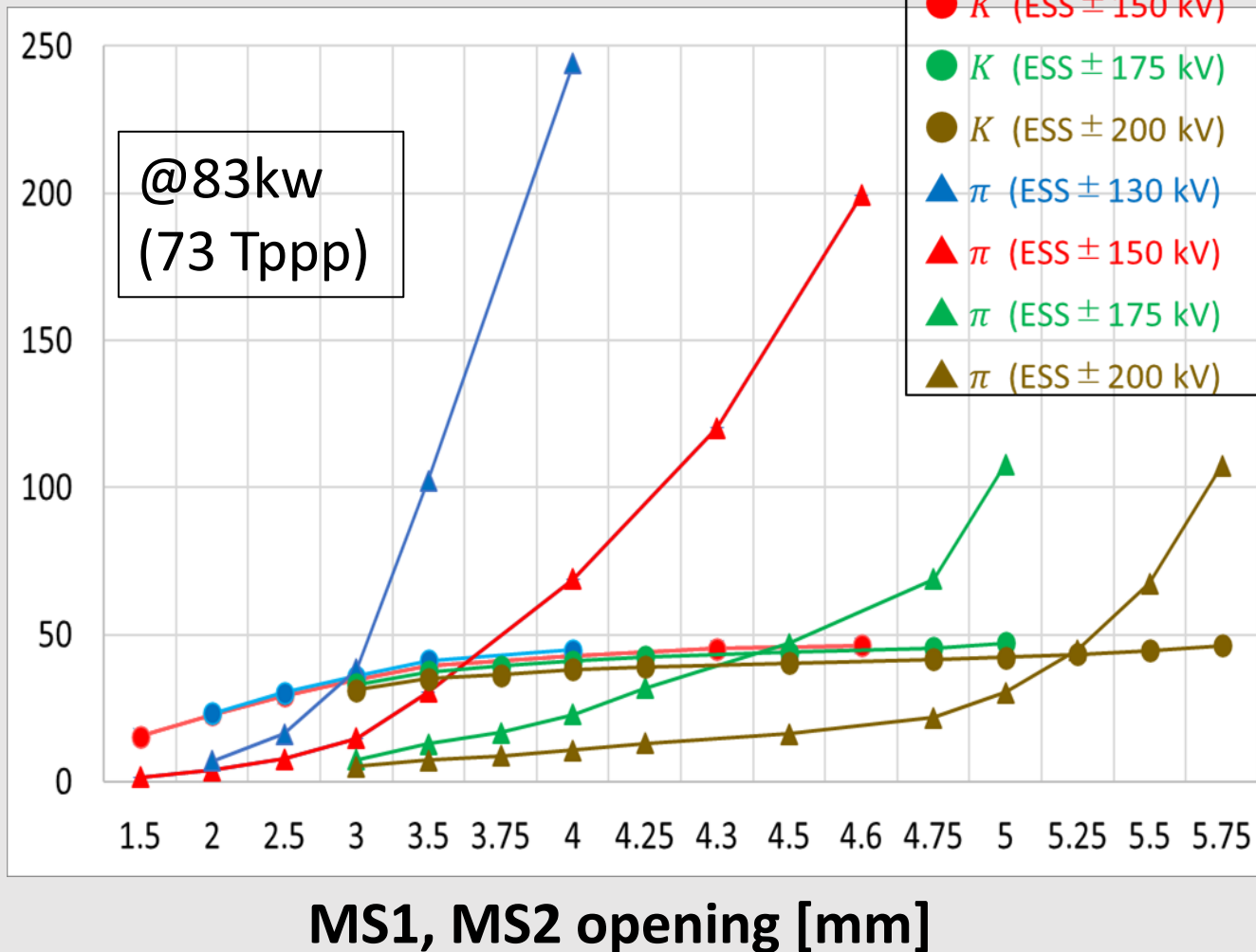
Magnet scan $\rightarrow$ CM1-4, D2, D3, D4, Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4, Q7 (12/27 magnets)



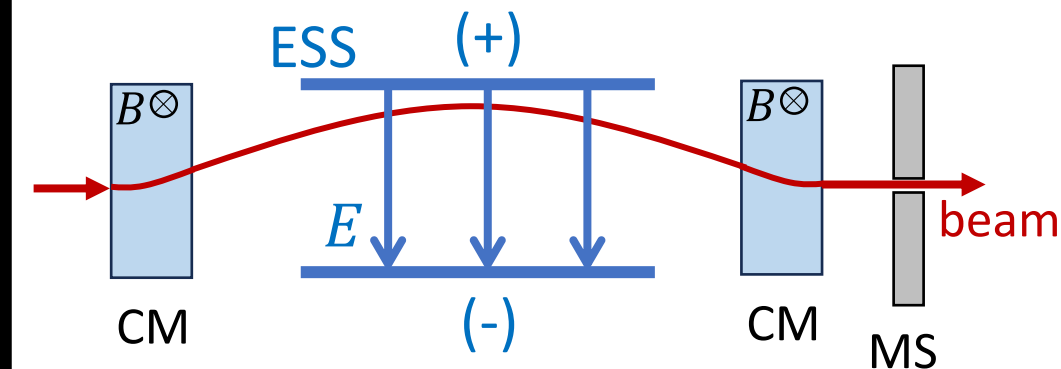
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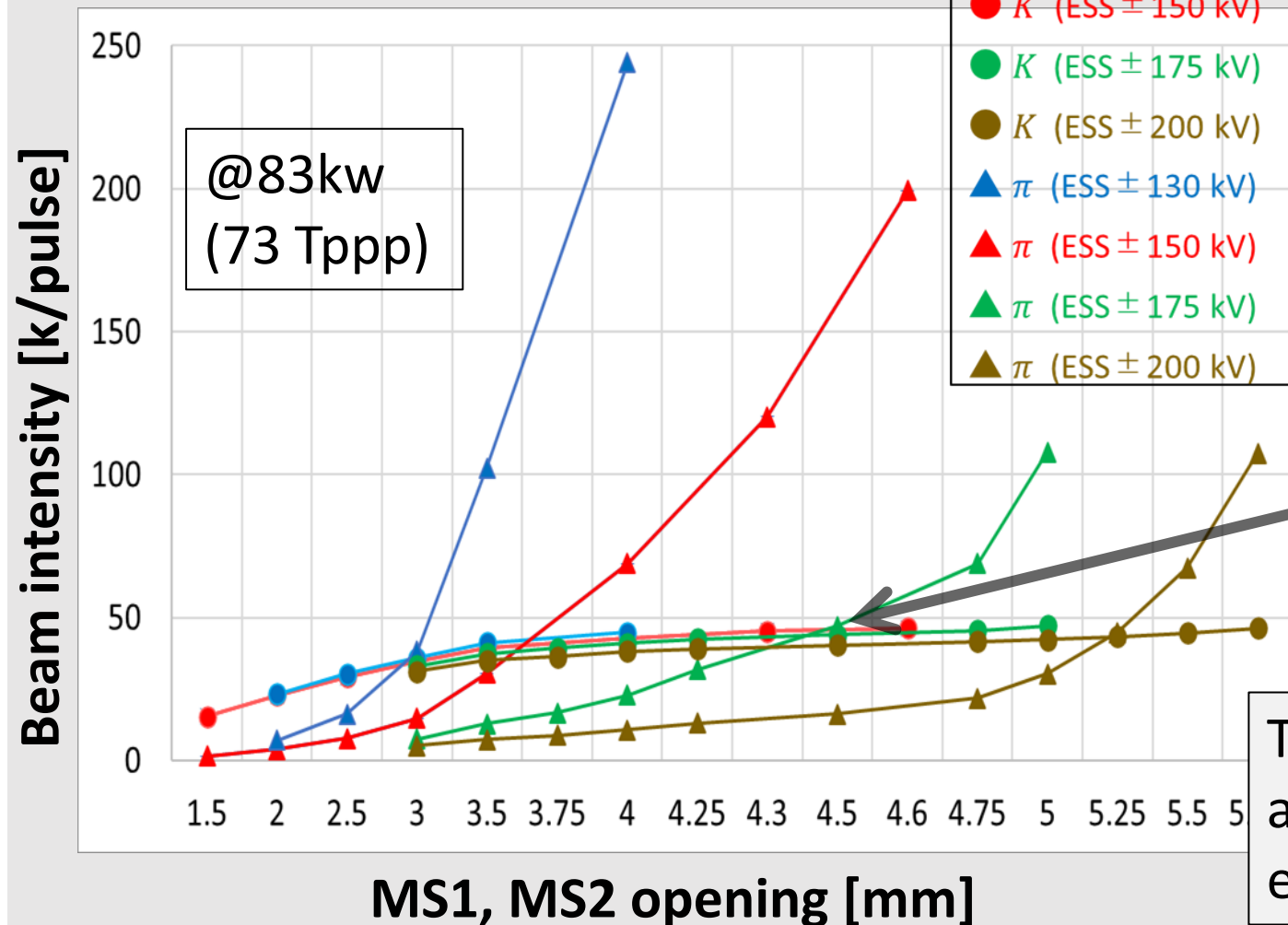
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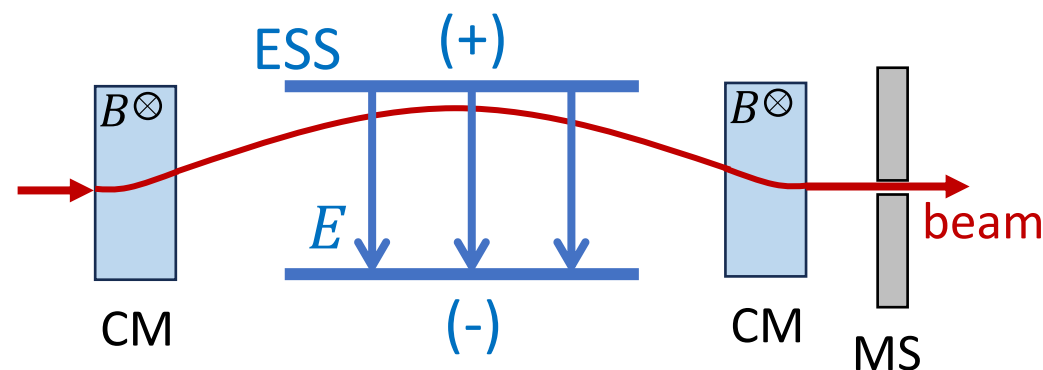
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44 k/pulse (K/π ratio ~ 1)
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This K^- intensity and K/π ratio at 0.9 GeV/c are sufficient for various hypernuclear experiments.

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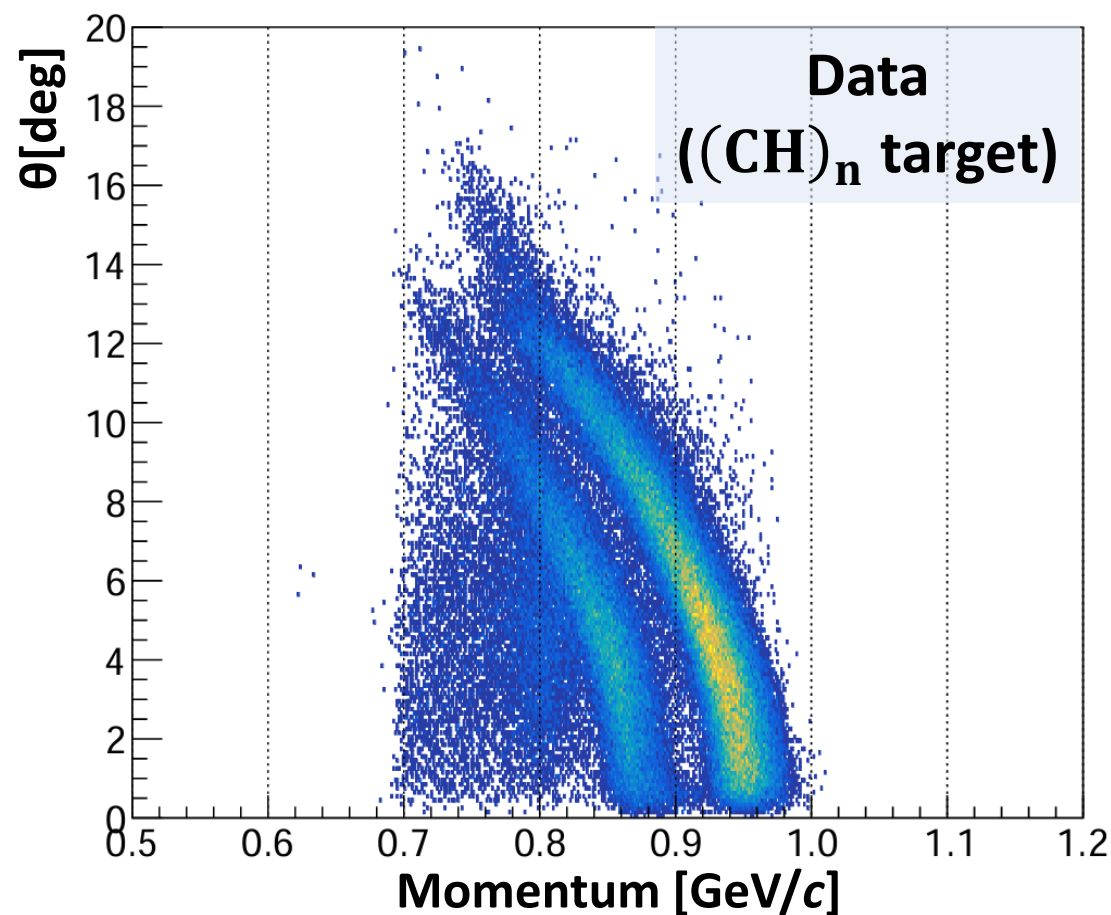
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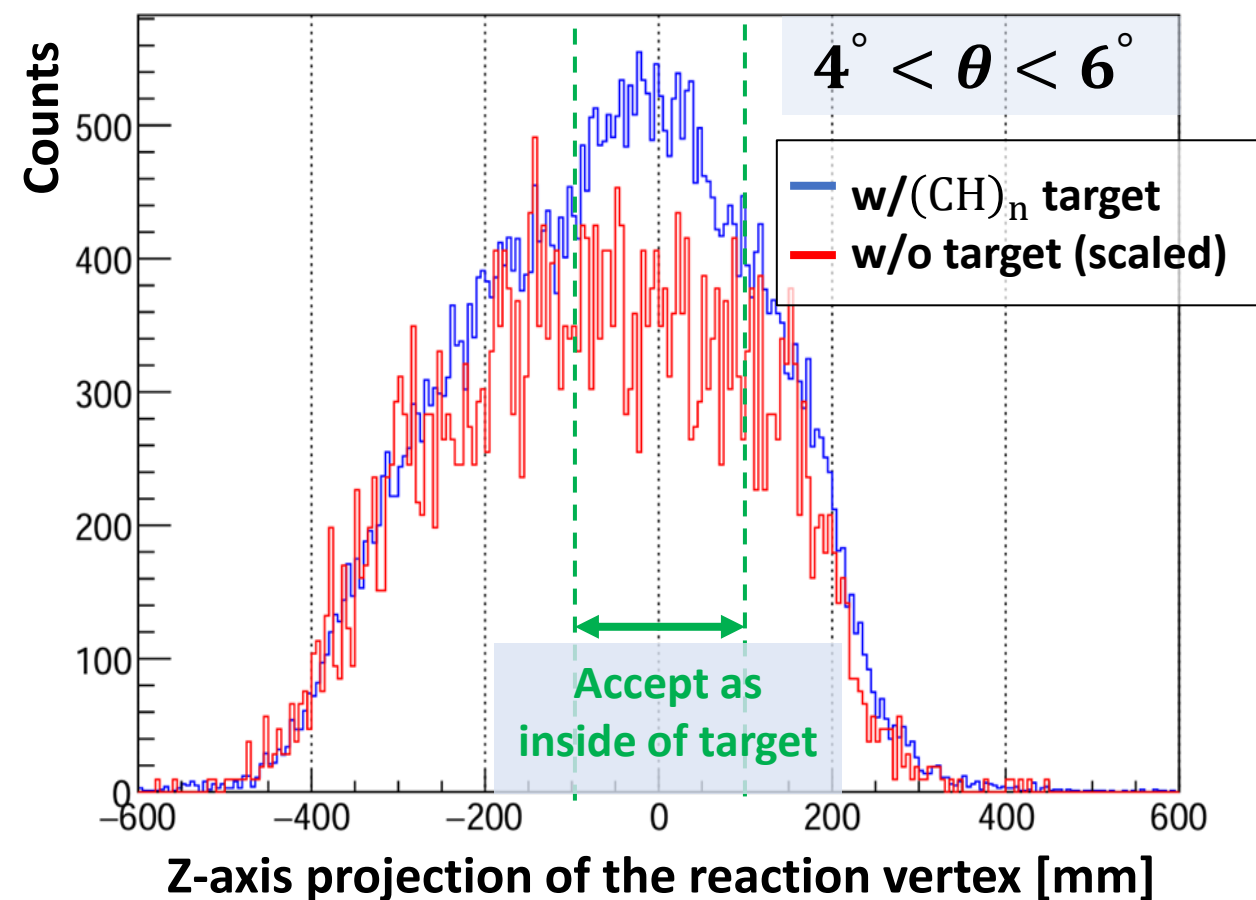
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Reconstruction of (K^-, π^-) reaction

Correlation between p_{scat} and θ



Reaction vertex



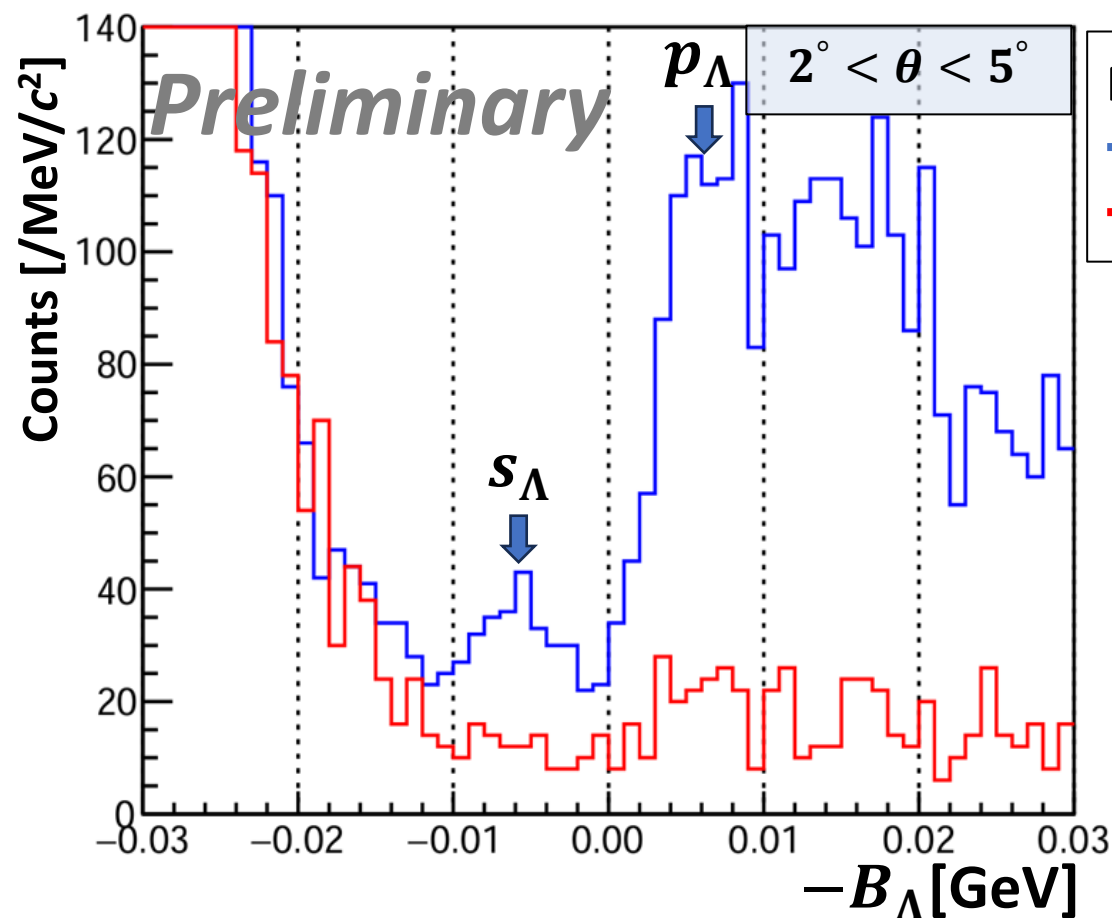
(K^-, π^-) reaction events are selected.

Missing mass spectrum of $^{12}\text{C}(K^-, \pi^-)$ reaction

Λ Binding Energy ($-B_\Lambda$)

$$-B_\Lambda = M_{Hyp} - (M_{core} + M_\Lambda)$$

Binding energy of $^{12}\text{C}(K^-, \pi^-)^{12}_\Lambda\text{C}$



Reaction vertex
 — Inside of tgt
 — Outside of tgt

Total K^- : 0.18×10^9
 (CH)_n tgt. (9 g/cm²)

$^{12}_\Lambda\text{C}$ production events were observed.
 → Feasibility of exp. by (K^-, π^-) at 0.9 GeV/c was confirmed.

Further analysis is ongoing.
 → Cross section at 0.9, 1.5, 1.8 GeV/c

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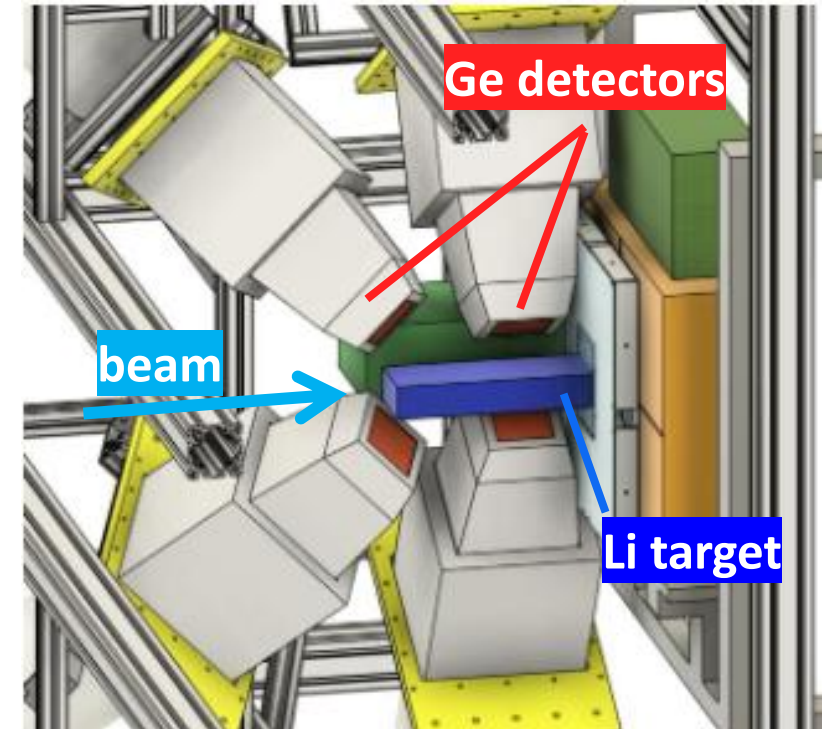
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Experiment plan and schedule

- Physics beam time estimation
 - We can measure ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ γ -ray with 12-days beam time.
 - PAC approved our beam time request.
- Preparation and beam time plan
 - Beam line detectors are ready.
 - Ge detectors will be installed in Mid-Oct. 2025.
 - **We will start physics data-taking in Nov. 2025.**

Ge detector array (3D design)



Summary

- Measurements to date have revealed the existence of a large charge symmetry breaking (CSB) in ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ and ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$.
- We plan a precise measurement of γ -ray from ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}(\mathbf{1}^+ \rightarrow \mathbf{0}^+)$ by a Ge detector array with the existing J-PARC K1.8 beam line + S-2S spectrometer.
- A beam test for the 0.9 GeV/c K^- beam have been performed.
 - Beam intensity check
 - (K^-, π^-) reaction check
- We are preparing for data-taking scheduled in Nov. 2025 (with 12 days beam time).