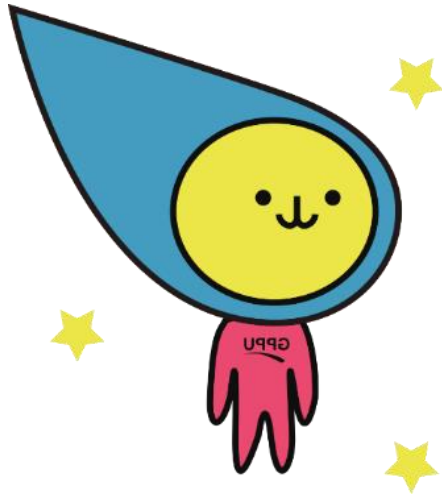


# Detector performance for a lifetime measurement of light hypernuclei

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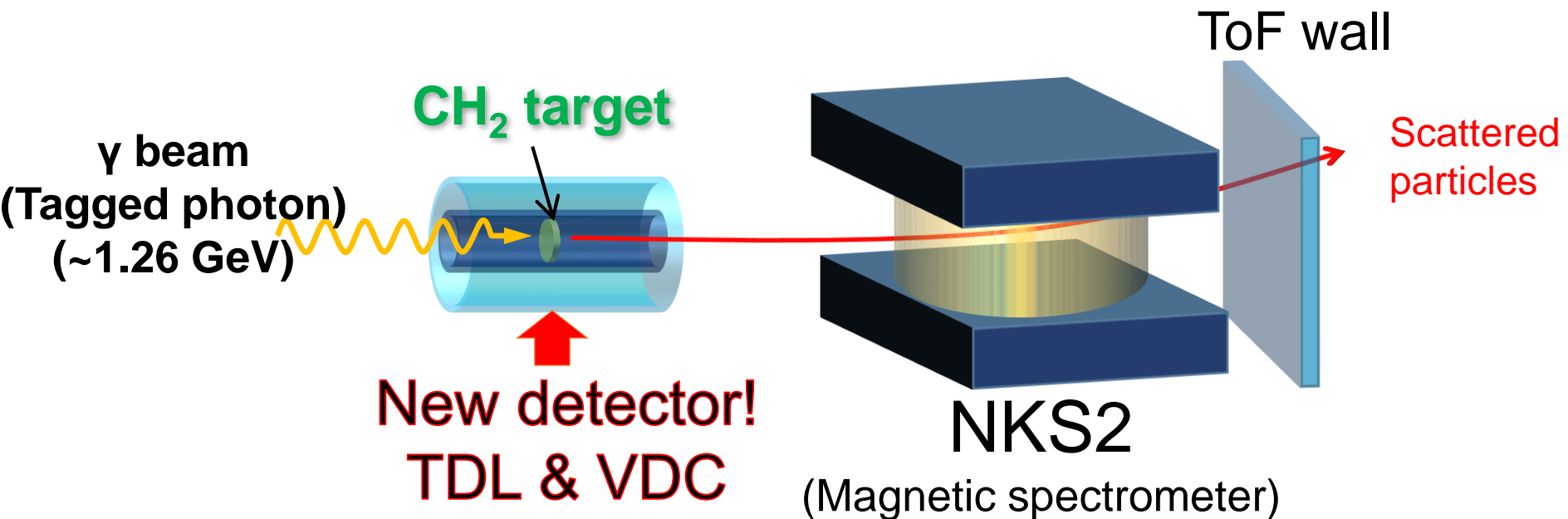
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Dec. 2018 & Jan. 2019

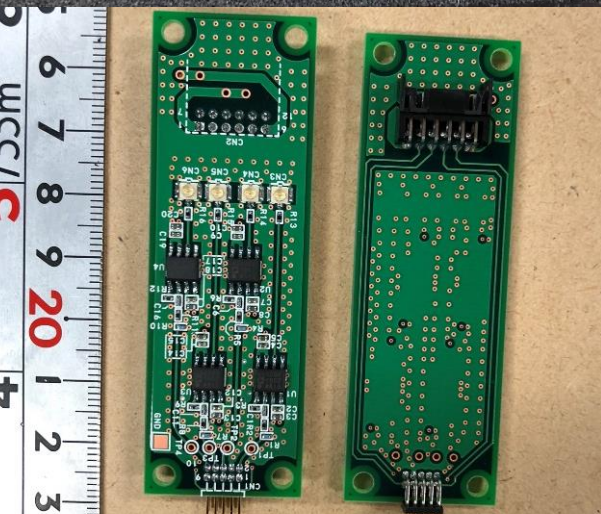
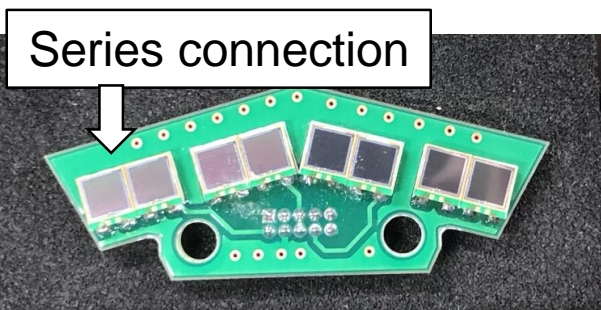
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- New trigger (for DAQ)
- Vertex resolution
- Response function of decay time

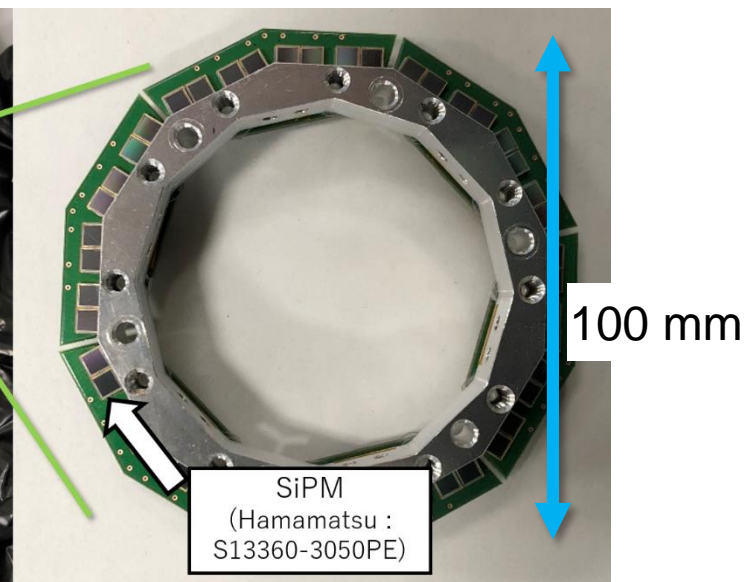
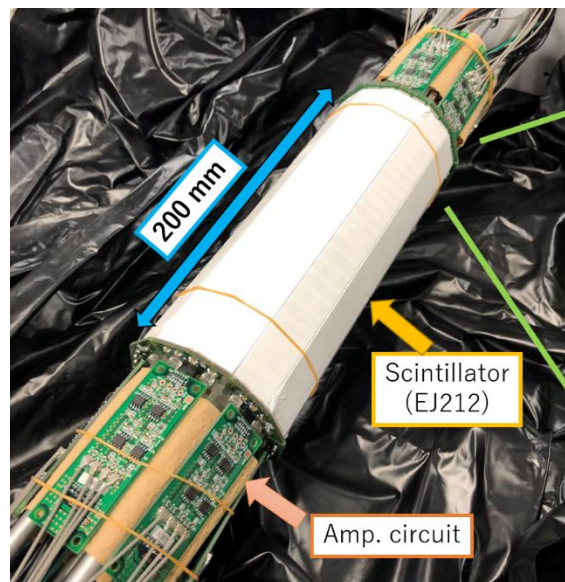


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New Amp. (AD8000)  
4ch readout/board



## Requirements

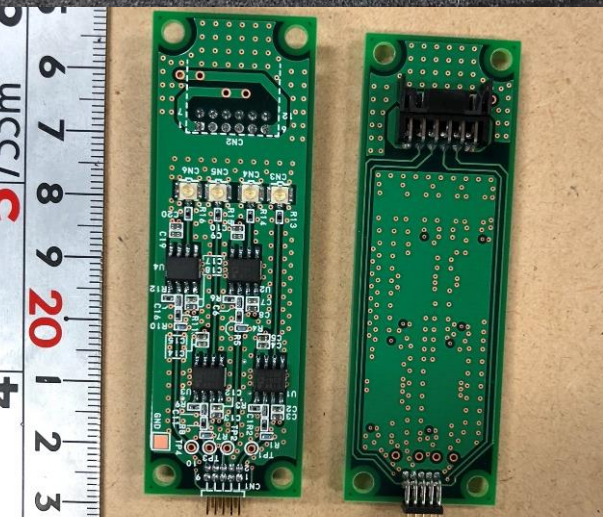
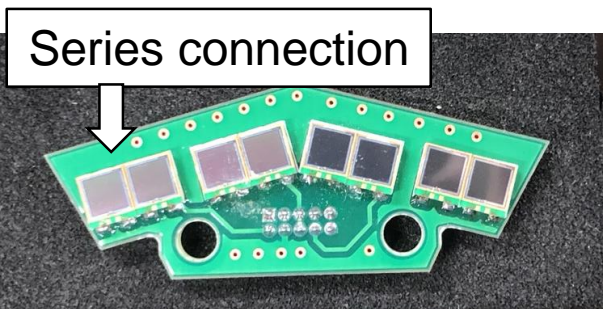
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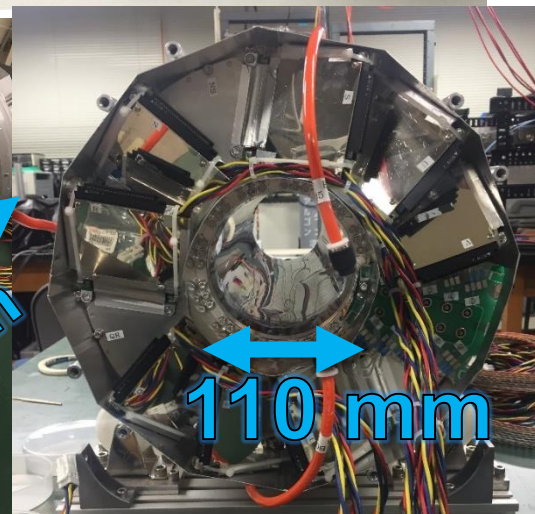
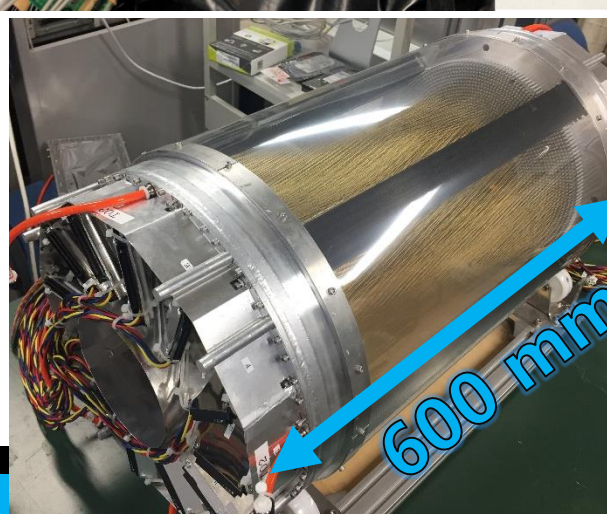
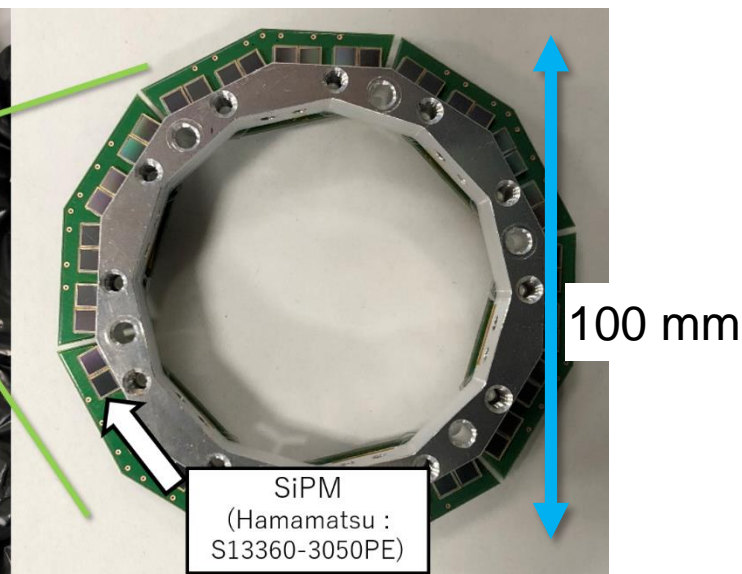
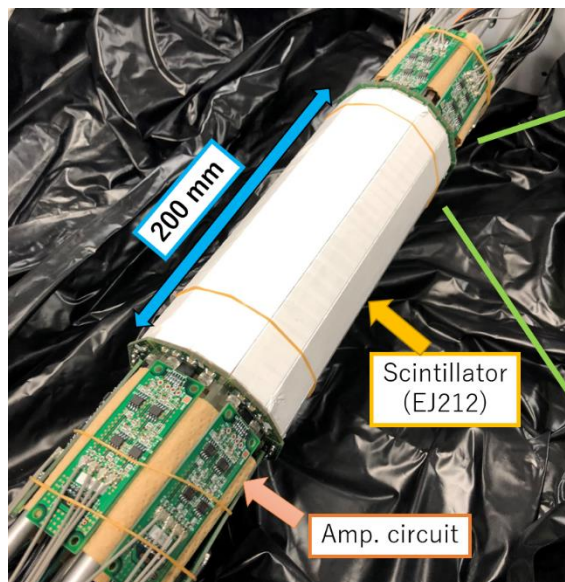


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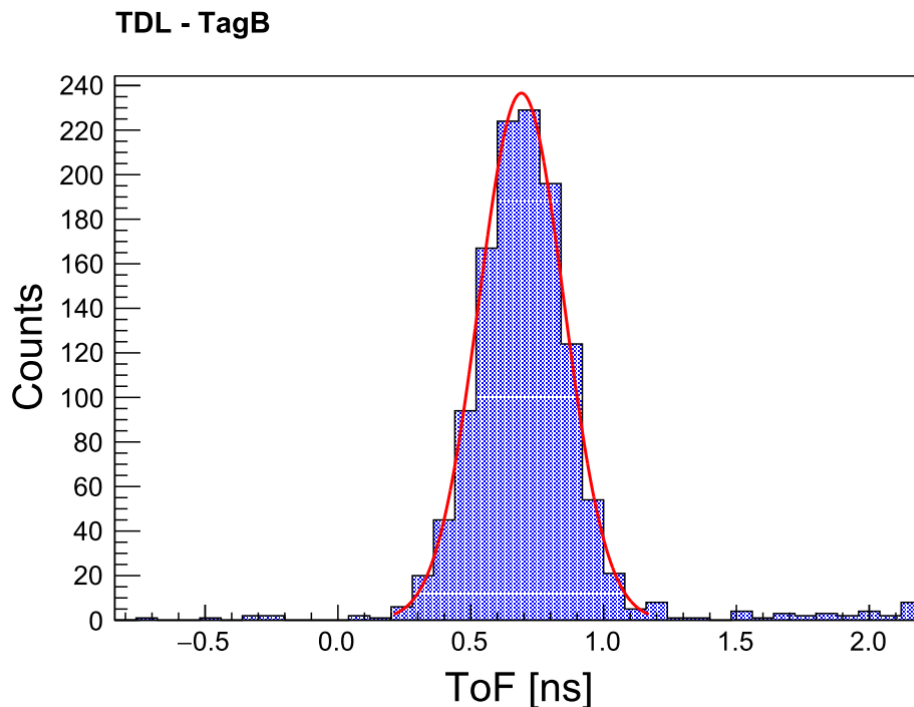
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# Decay time spectrum

- Evaluation method

ToF of TDL-Tagger, TDL-RF and Tagger-RF → Intrinsic time resolution



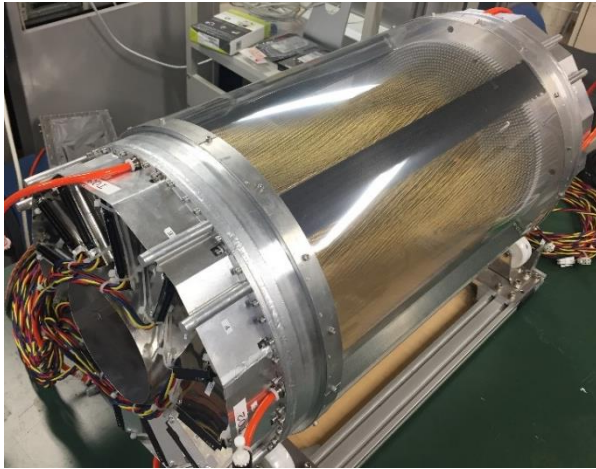
TDL-Tagger :  $160 \pm 4$  ps( $\sigma$ )  
 TDL-RF :  $172 \pm 1$  ps( $\sigma$ )  
 Tagger-RF :  $114.9 \pm 0.4$  ps ( $\sigma$ )



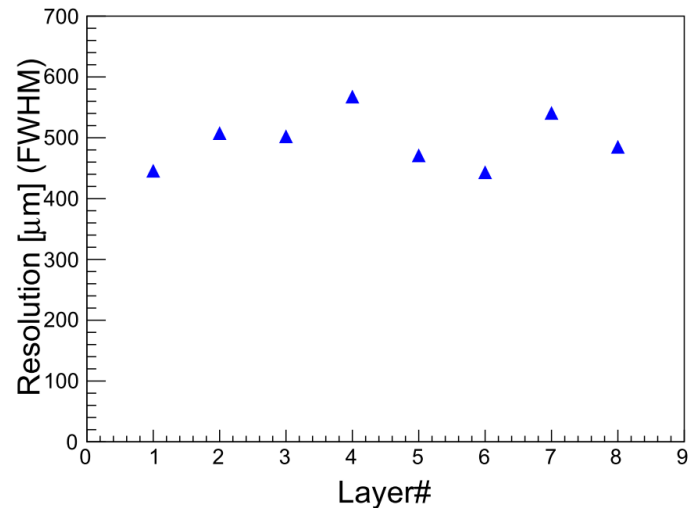
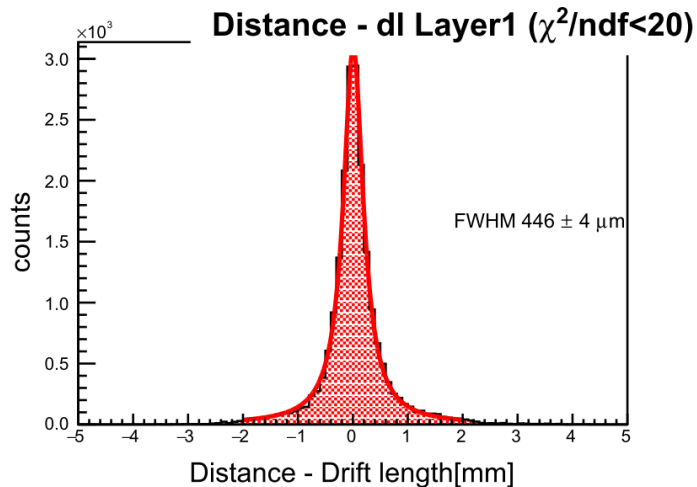
TDL :  $145 \pm 2$  ps( $\sigma$ )  
 RF :  $92 \pm 3$  ps( $\sigma$ )  
 Tagger :  $68 \pm 4$  ps ( $\sigma$ )

- RF resolution  $\sim 100$  ps  
 $\Rightarrow$  Consistent with other group's result

# Performance of VDC



- I made new tracking code for this setup
- Position resolution  $\sim 500 \mu\text{m}$ (FWHM)
  - Same with previous exp.



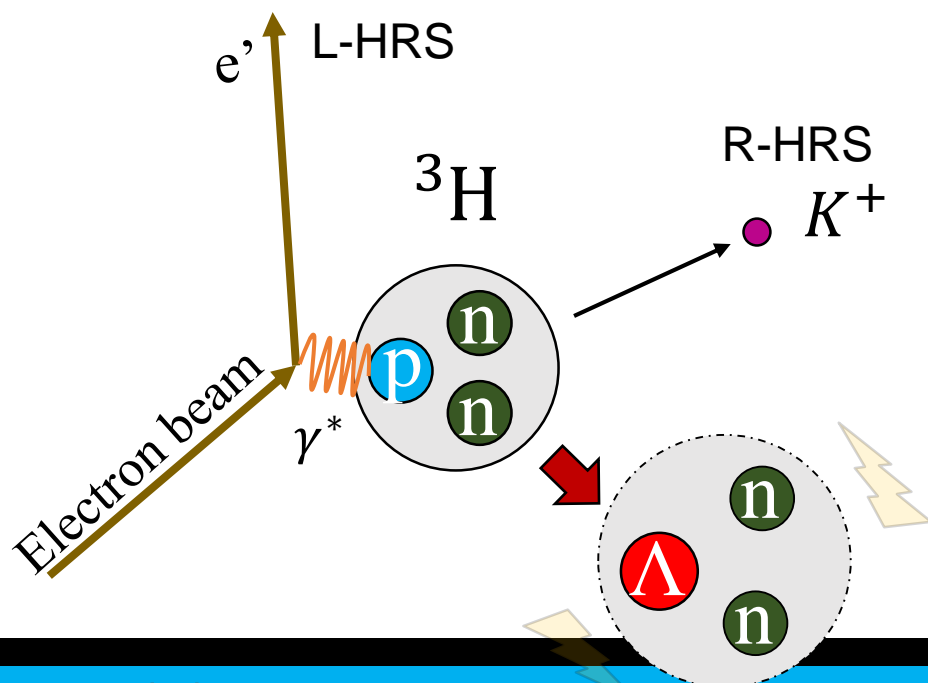
# $nn\Lambda$ search exp. at JLab



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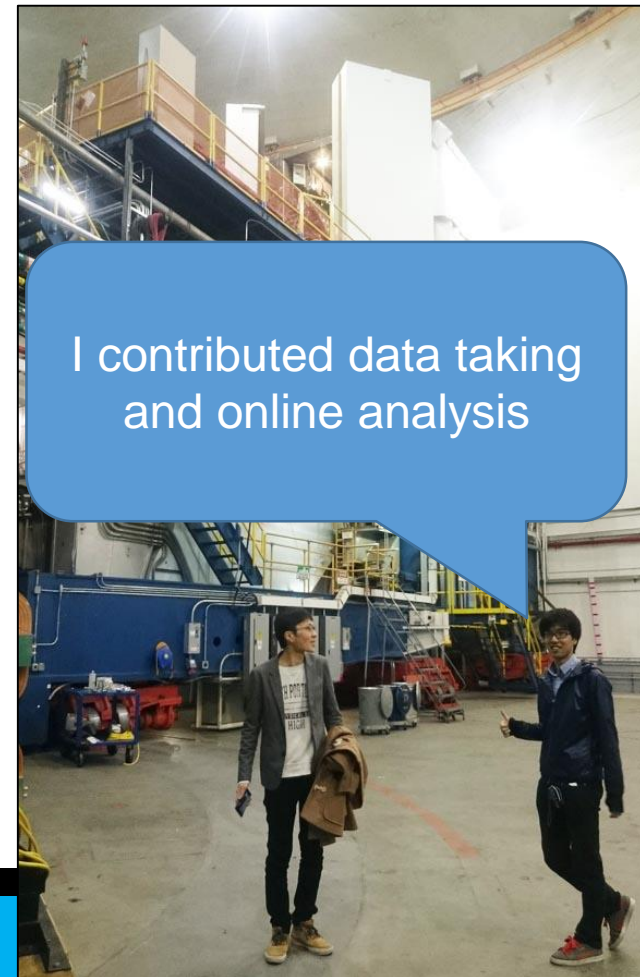
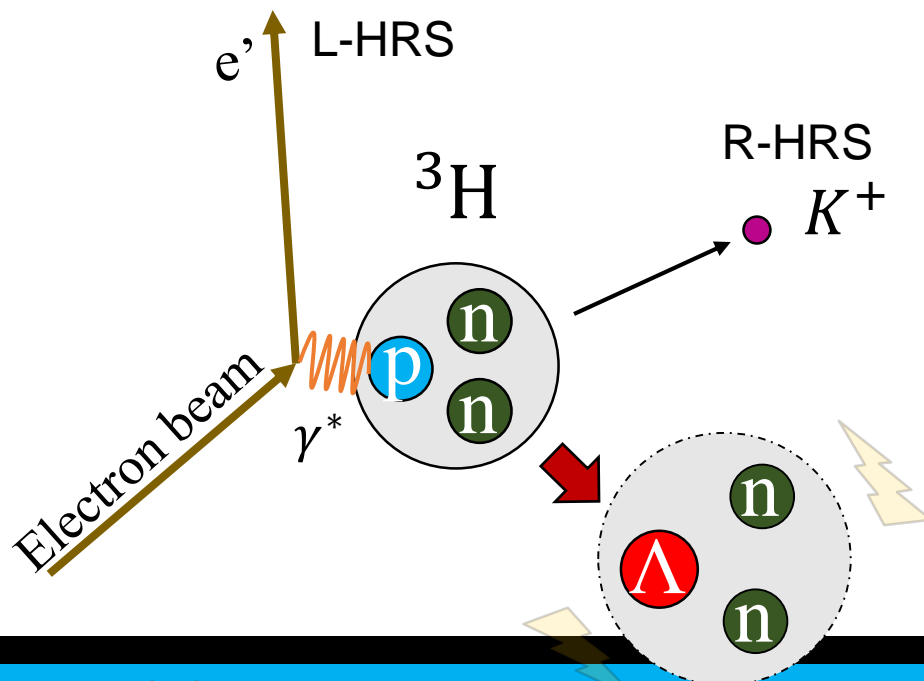
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# JLab stay

- My stay : Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> – Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>
- We took many shifts! 😊  
(8 h/shift)

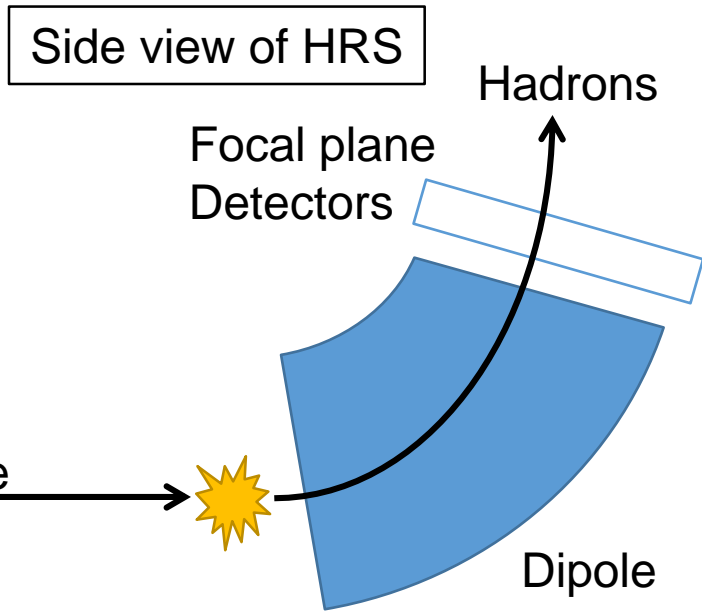
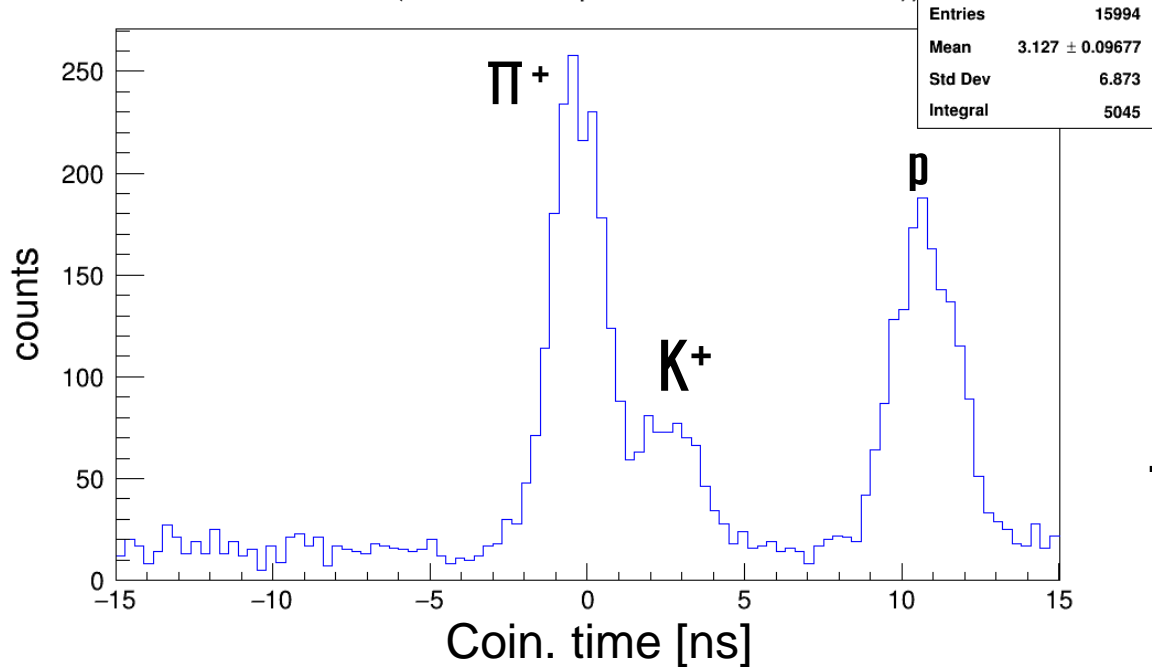


shifts one has signed up for between the period of Sep 12 to Nov 20, 2018

Rank	Institution	Number of shifts	Weighted num. of shifts
1	Tohoku University, Sendai, Japan	88	126.5
2	Hampton University , Hampton, VA	51	82.5
3	University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH	37	63

Name	Institution	Num of shifts	Weighted
Toshiyuki Gogami	Tohoku University, Sendai, Japan	32	44.5
Nathaniel Lashley-Colthirst	Hampton University , Hampton, VA	21	33.5
<b>Yuichi Toyama</b>	Tohoku University, Sendai, Japan	18	27
Kosuke Itabashi	Tohoku University, Sendai, Japan	15	22.5
Bishnu Pandey	Hampton University , Hampton, VA	14	21

Coin time(S2 Fbus w/ path cor. w/ AC&Z cut) **h\_s2ccoin\_fbacz**

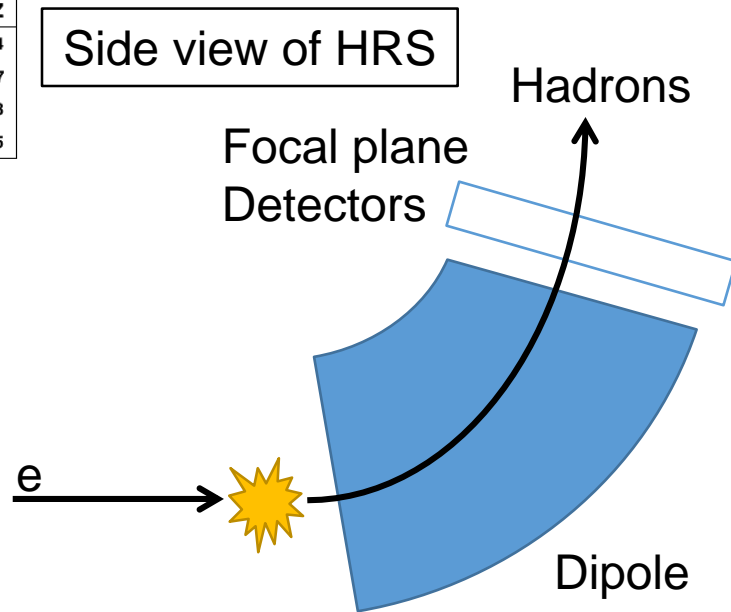
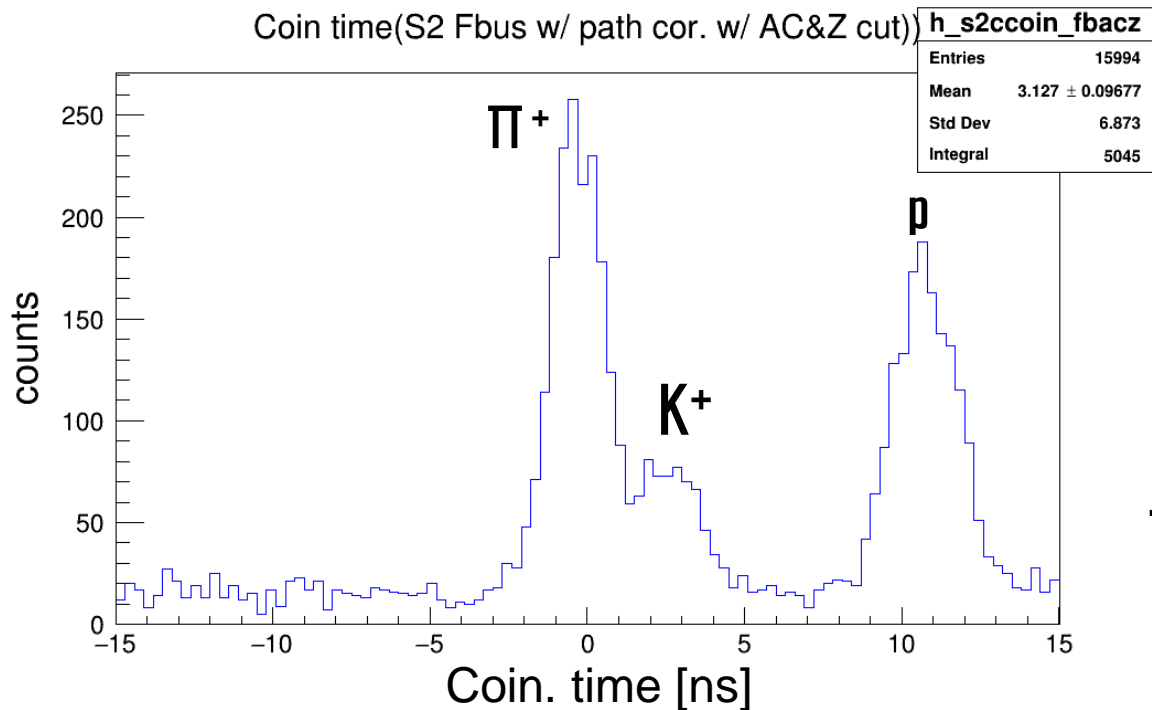


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First observation of  $K^+$  in this experiment.

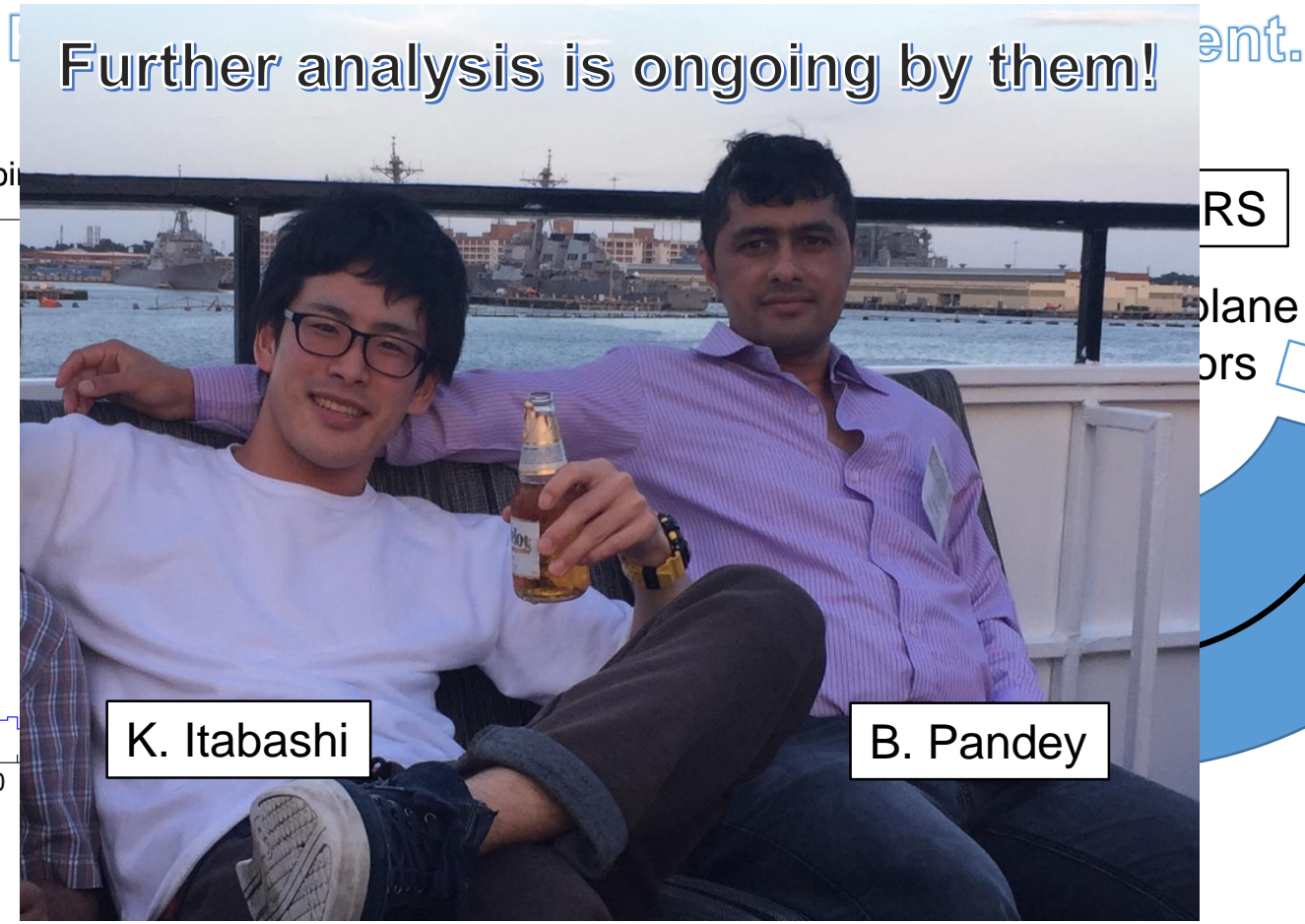


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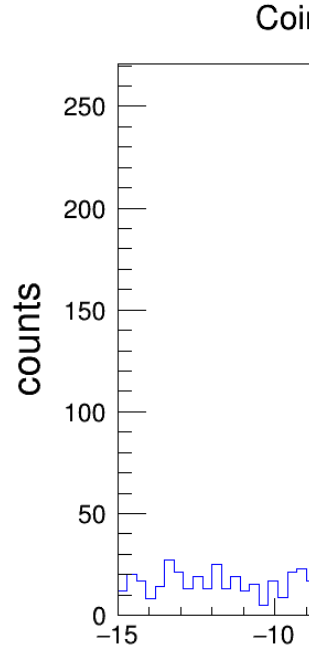
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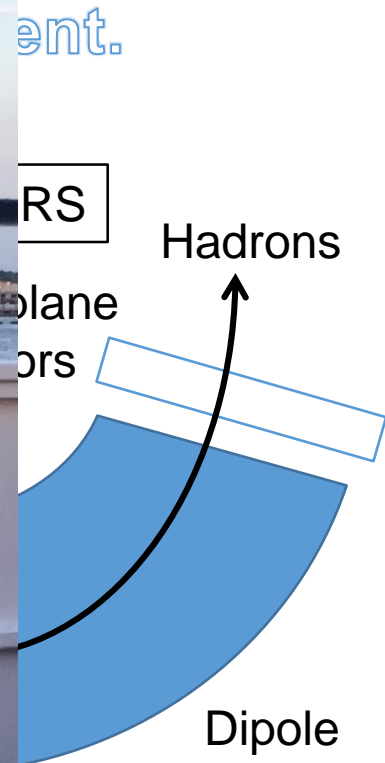


Further analysis is ongoing by them!



K. Itabashi

B. Pandey



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# Summary

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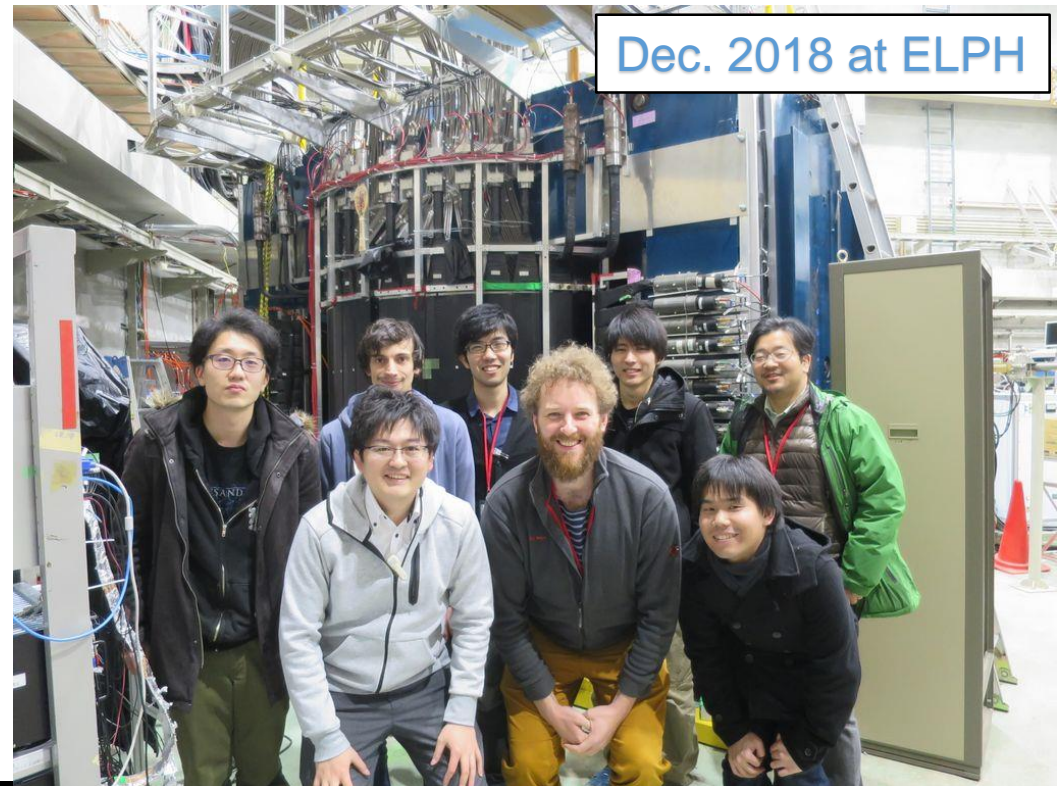
- Test experiment of TDL&VDC at ELPH

nn $\Lambda$  search experiment at JLab in Oct. & Nov. 2018

- Data taking was done!

# GP-PU credit

- ✓ Overseas training (>3 month)
- ✓ Experimental course (15GEP)
- Seminar (18/20 pt)



# Backup

## まとめ

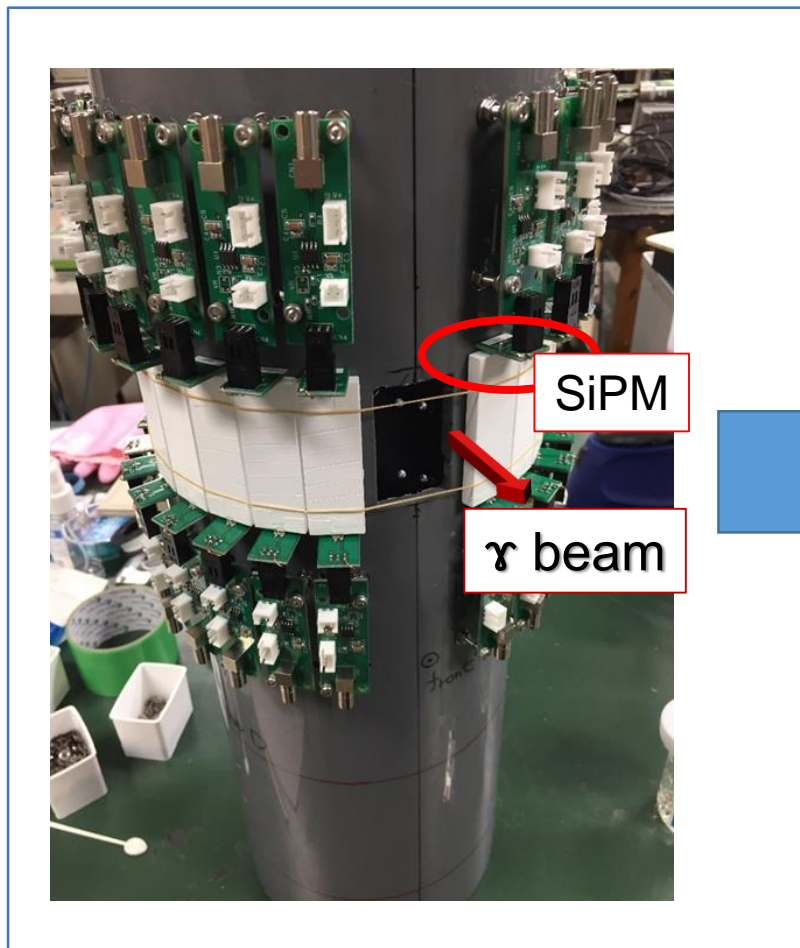
- 東北大学電子光物理学研究センターにおいて寿命測定実験を計画中
- $\Lambda$ 粒子の弱崩壊による遅延成分の観測に成功
- 全96ch 読み出しの崩壊粒子検出器・TDLを製作
  - 固有時間分解能  $\sigma_t = 145$  ps
- 崩壊時間分解能  $\sigma_{\text{decay}} = 160$  ps を達成

## 今後

- トラッキング情報を用いた $\sigma_{\text{decay}}$ の再評価
- 欠損質量、崩壊点位置分解能の評価
- ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ の寿命測定実験を実地予定 (2019年度)



# 検出器のアップグレード



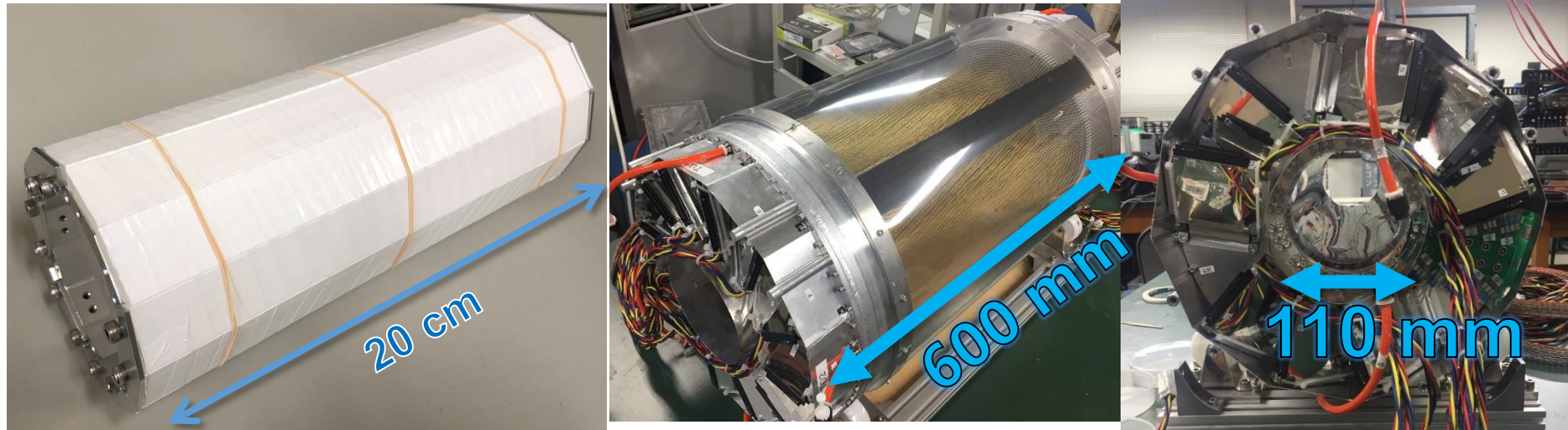
$\gamma$  beam



$^3\text{He}$  Target (20 cm、設計中)

# TDL

Timing counter for **D**irect **L**ifetime measurement of hypernuclei



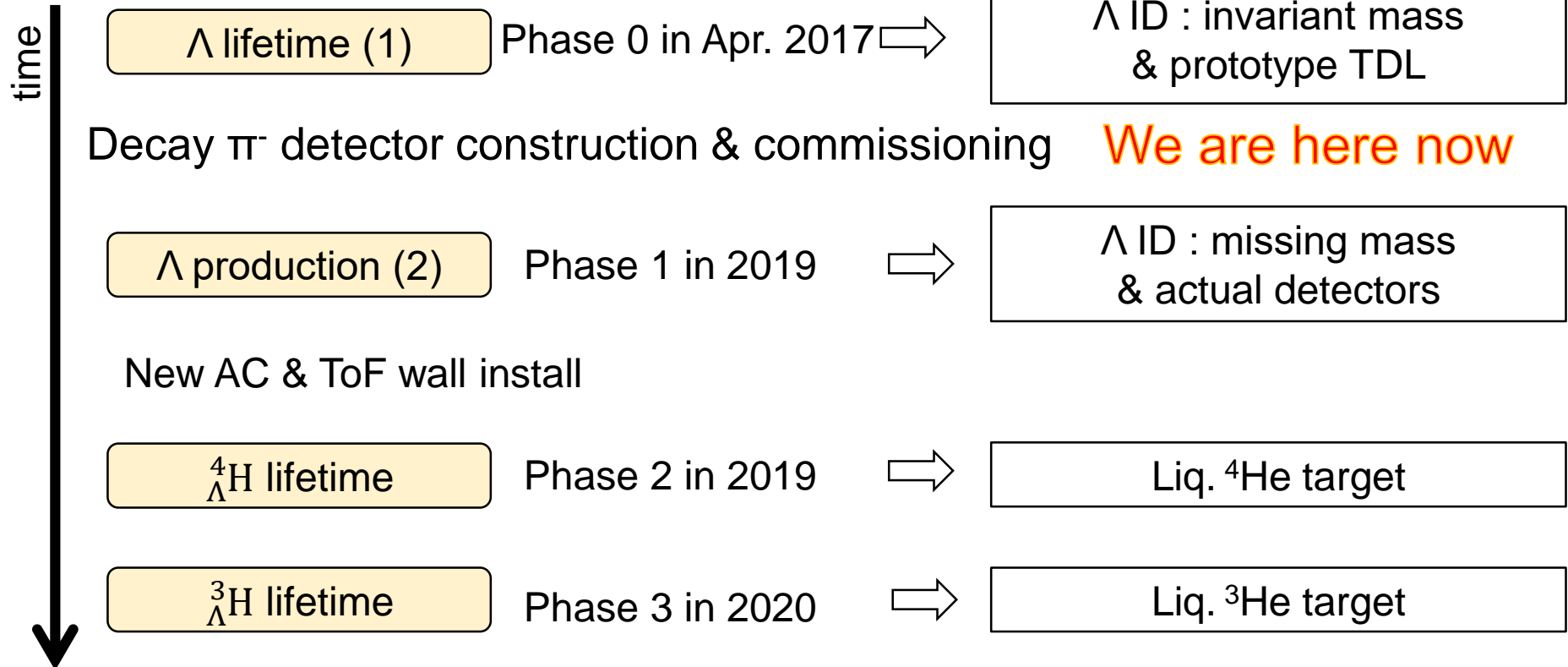
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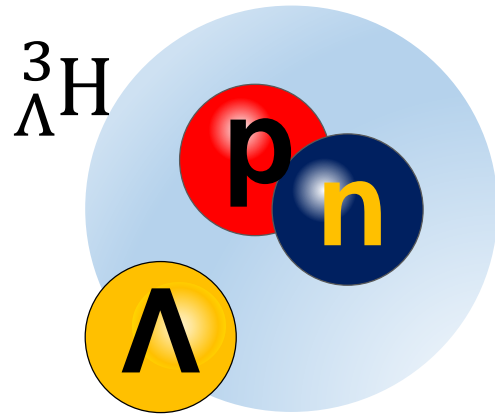
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# Motivation & Strategy

Motivation : Precise measurement of  ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$  lifetime



# ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ puzzle

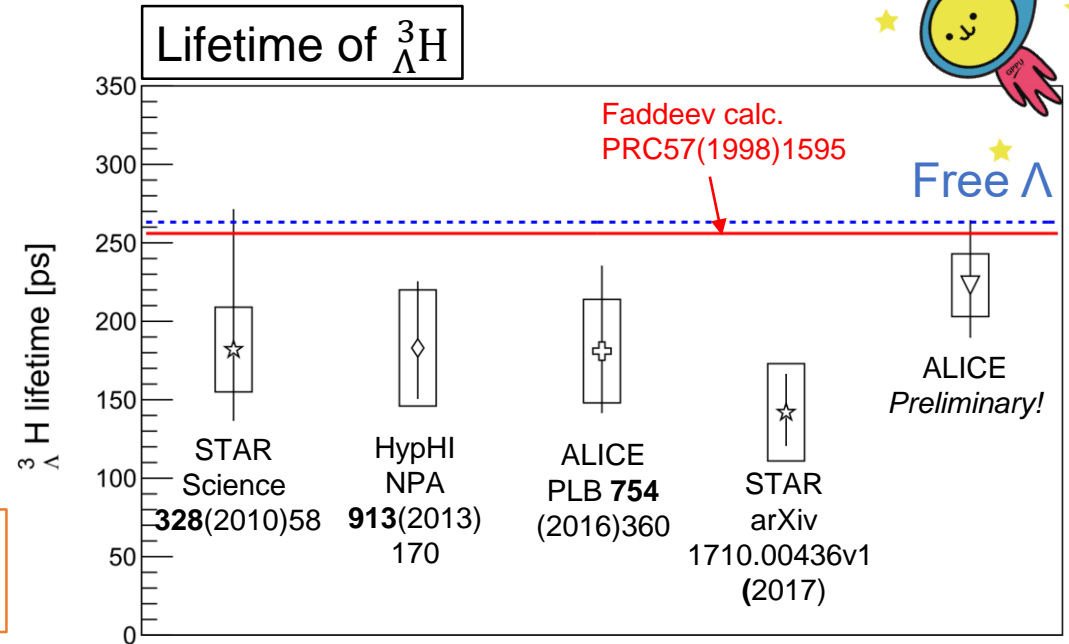


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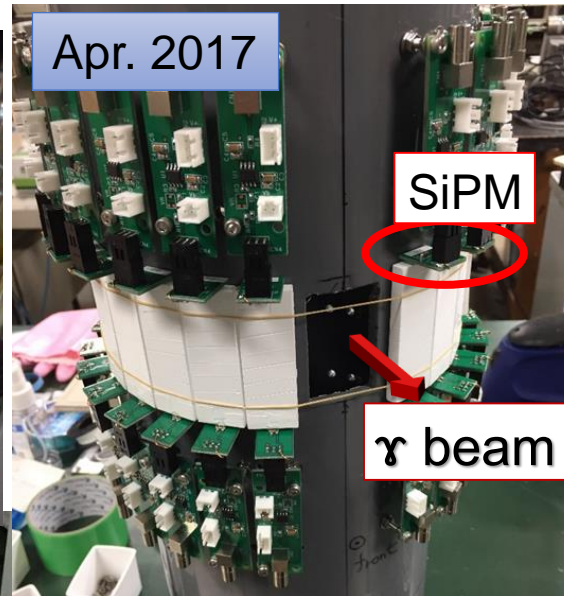
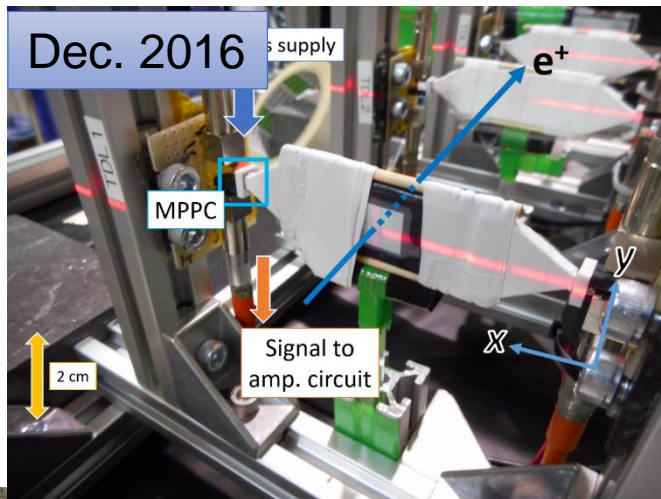
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[1] M.Juric *et al.*, Nucl. Phys. **B 52**(1973) 1-30.  
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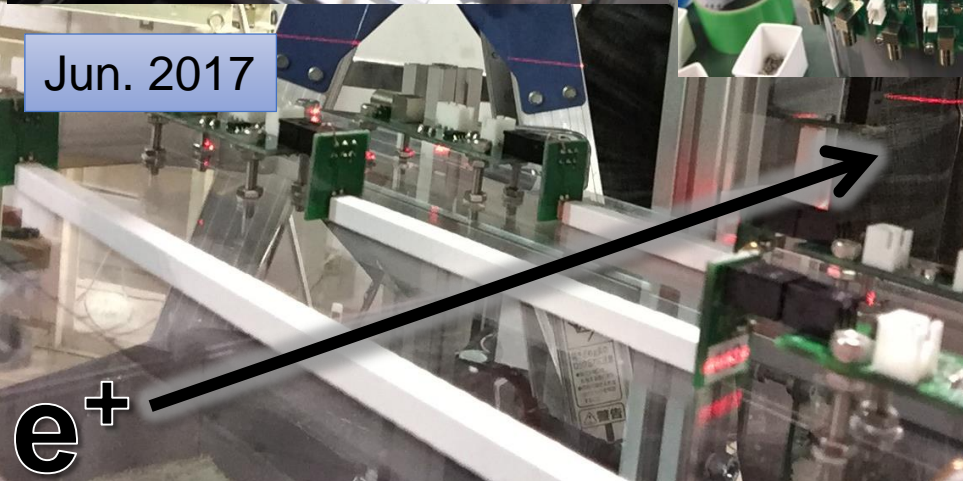
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- Stable performance

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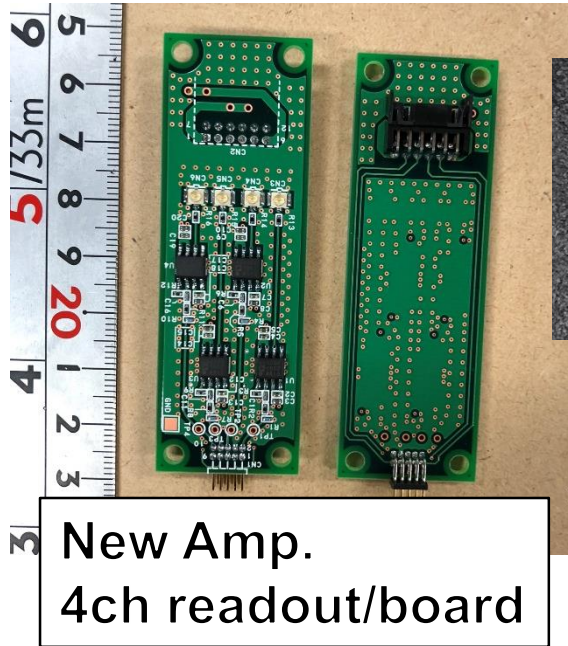


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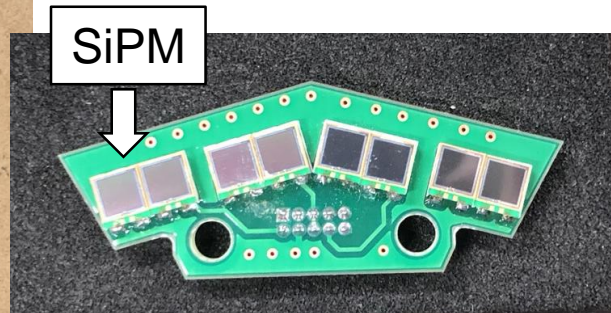


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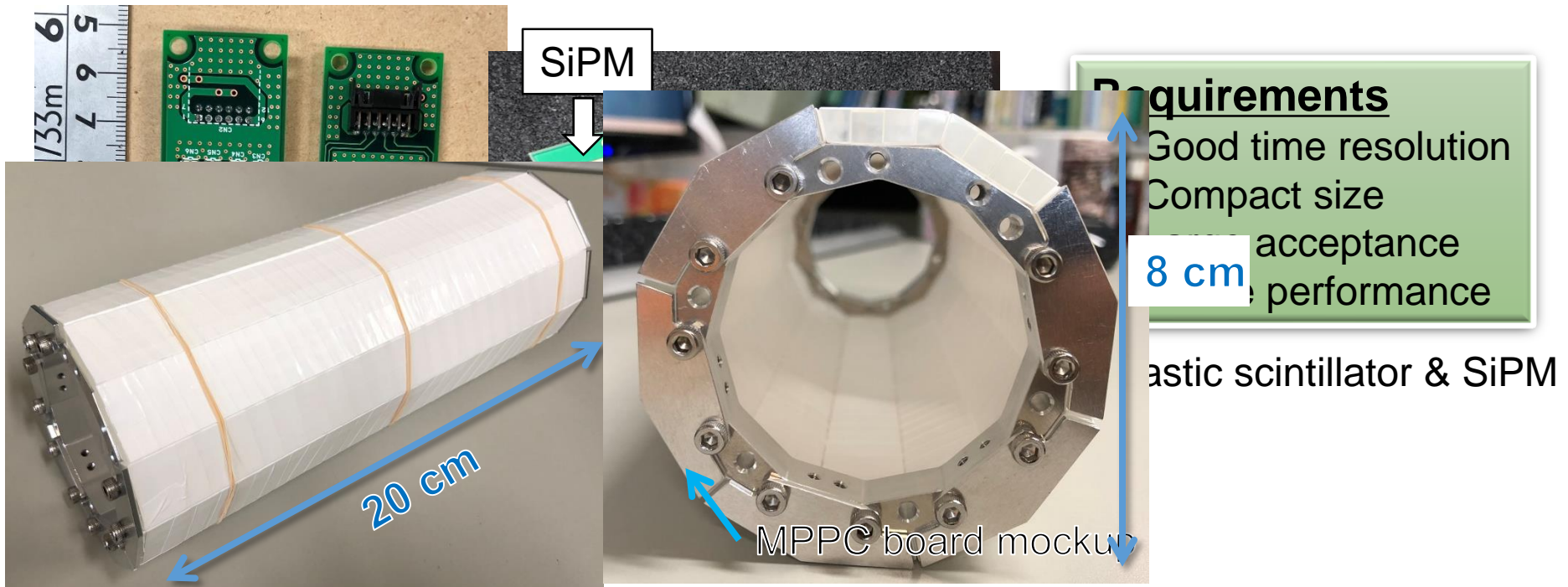
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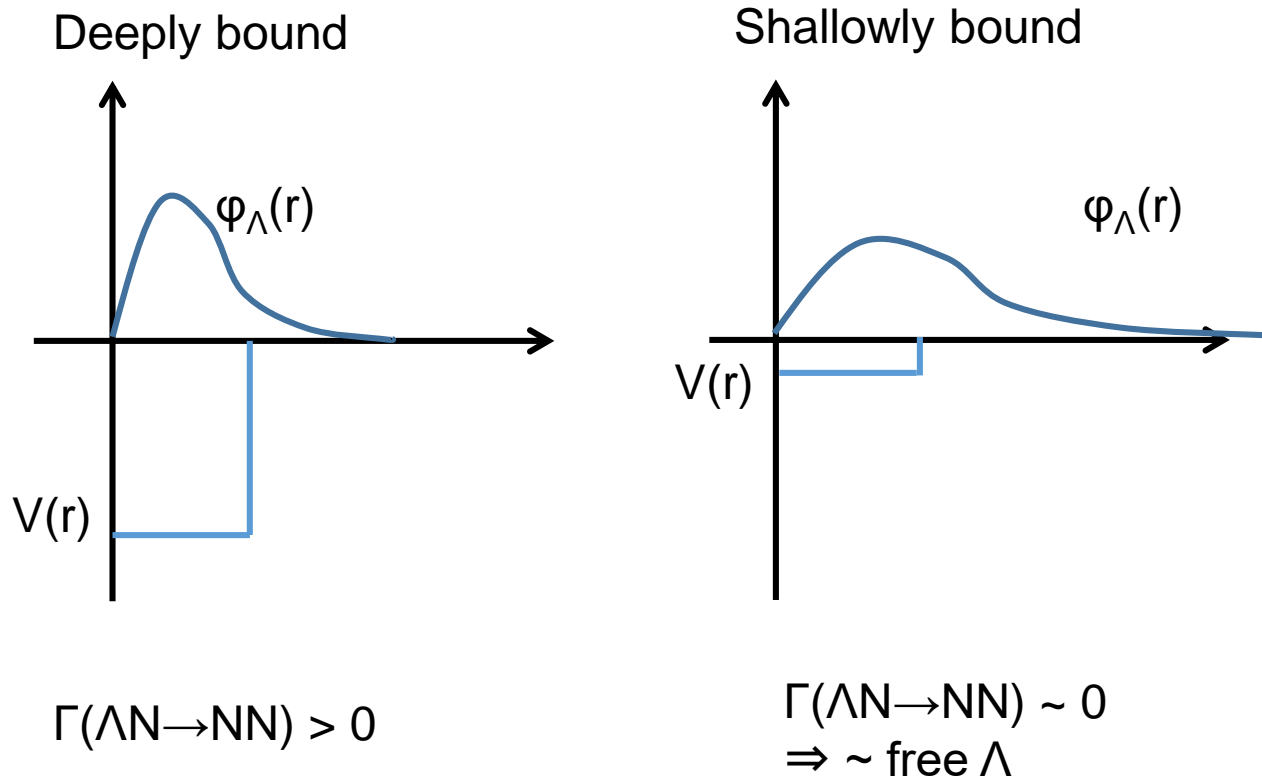


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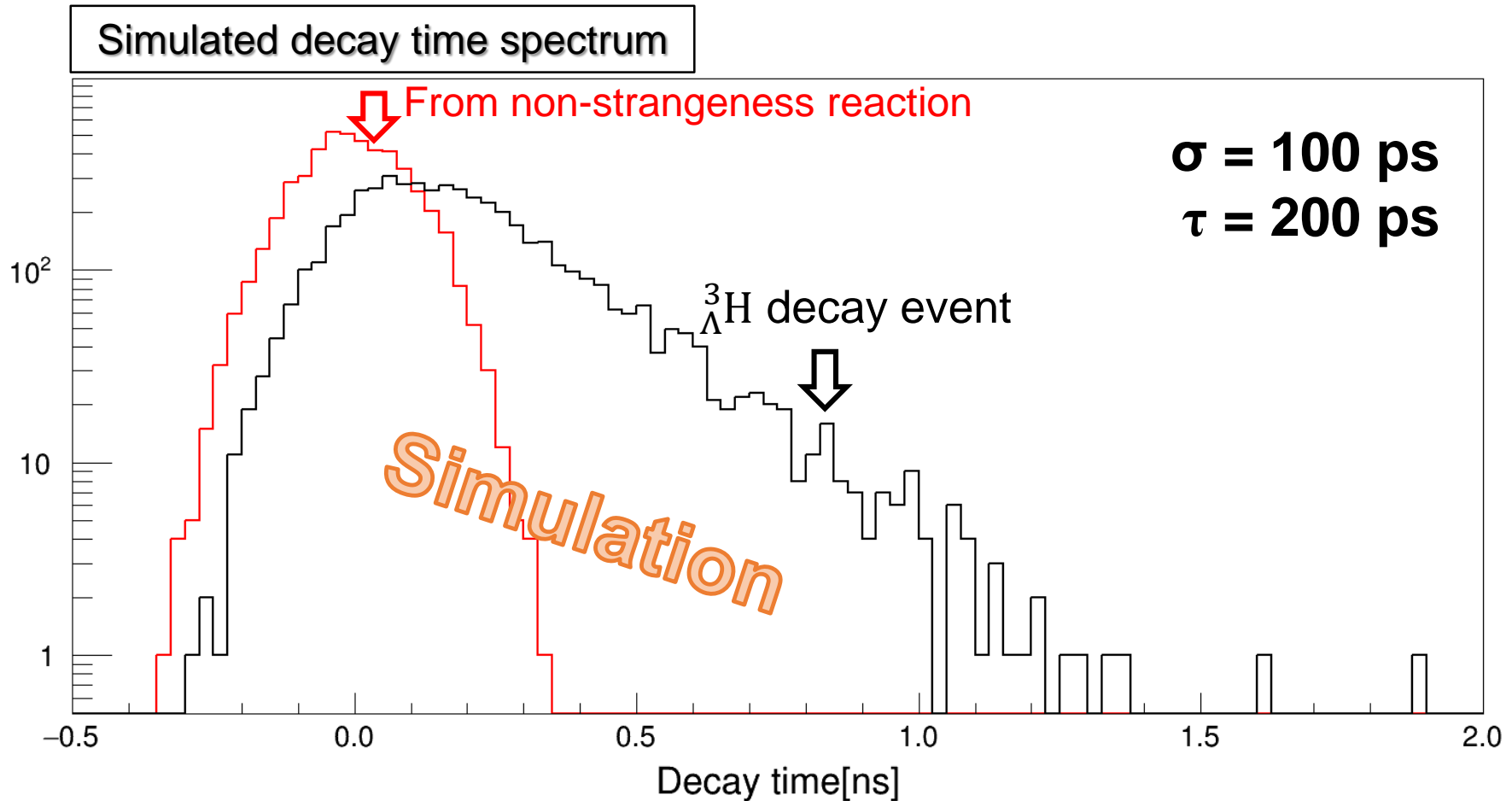
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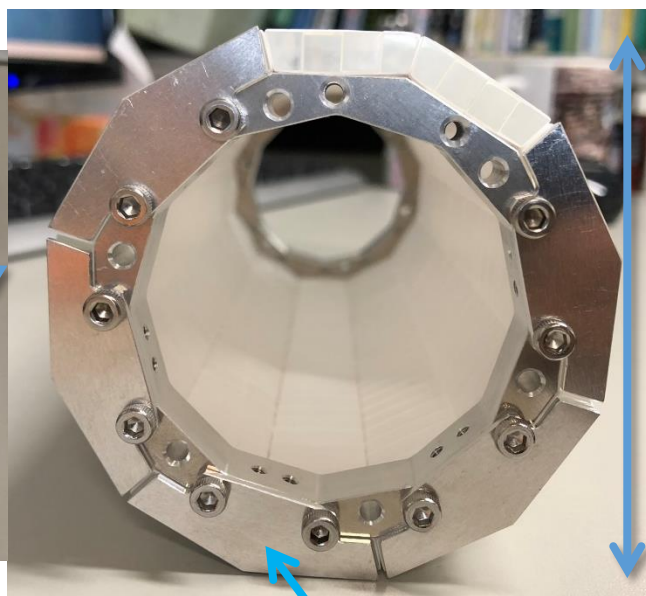
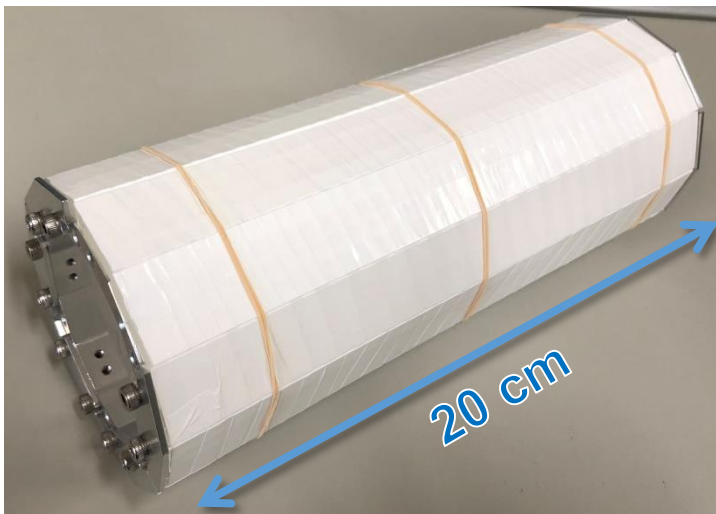
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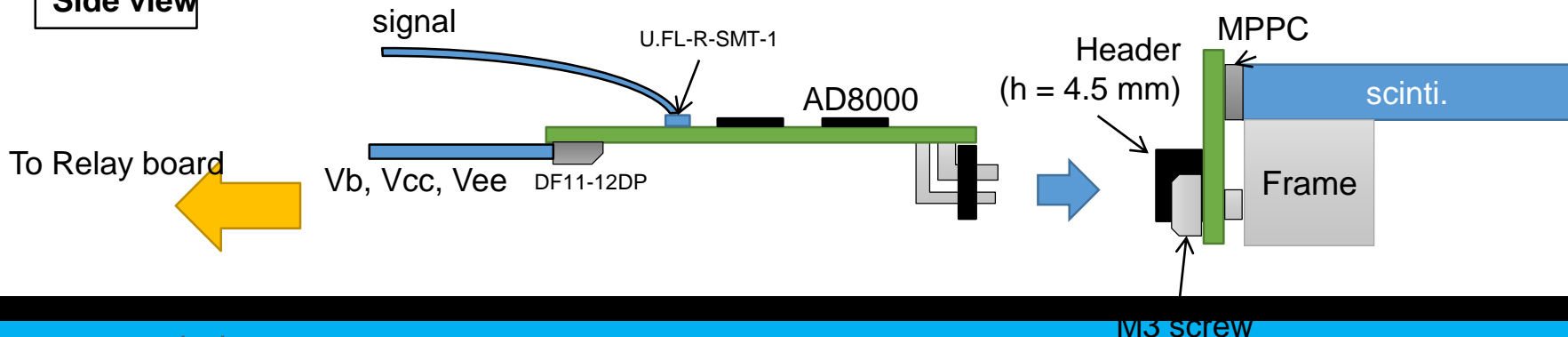




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MPPC board mockup

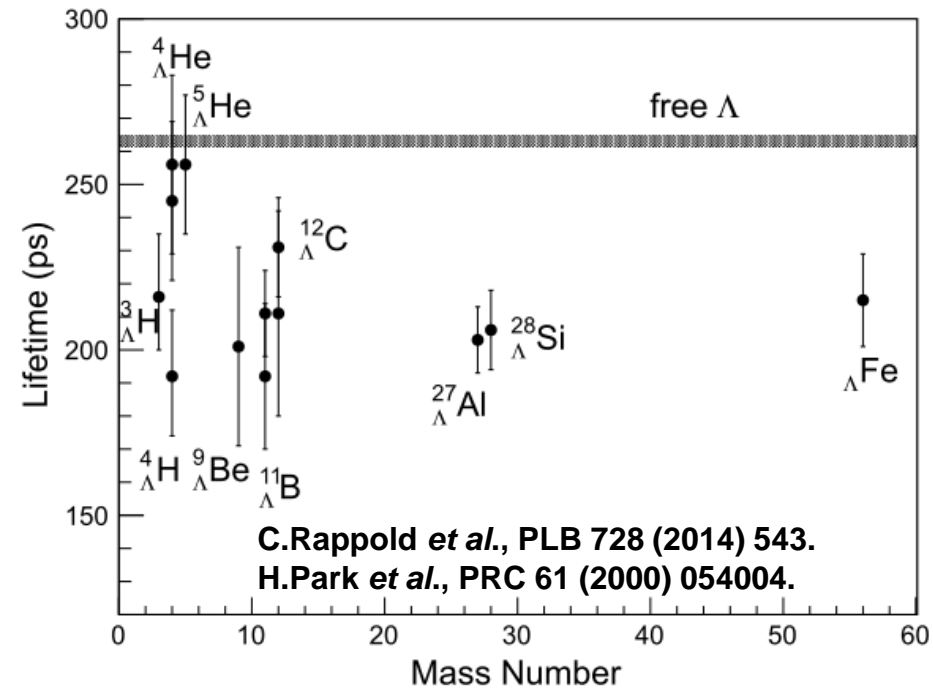
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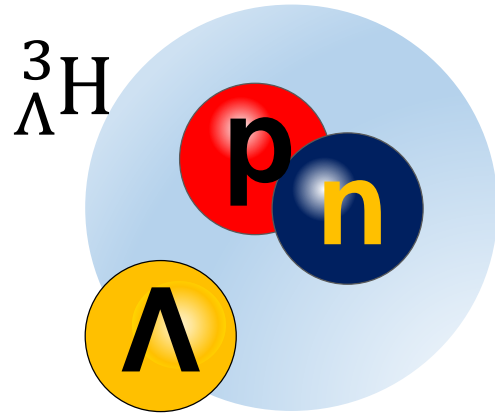


# Naive explanation of short lifetime

- $\Lambda N$  interaction is short range  
→ Lifetime saturate



# ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ puzzle

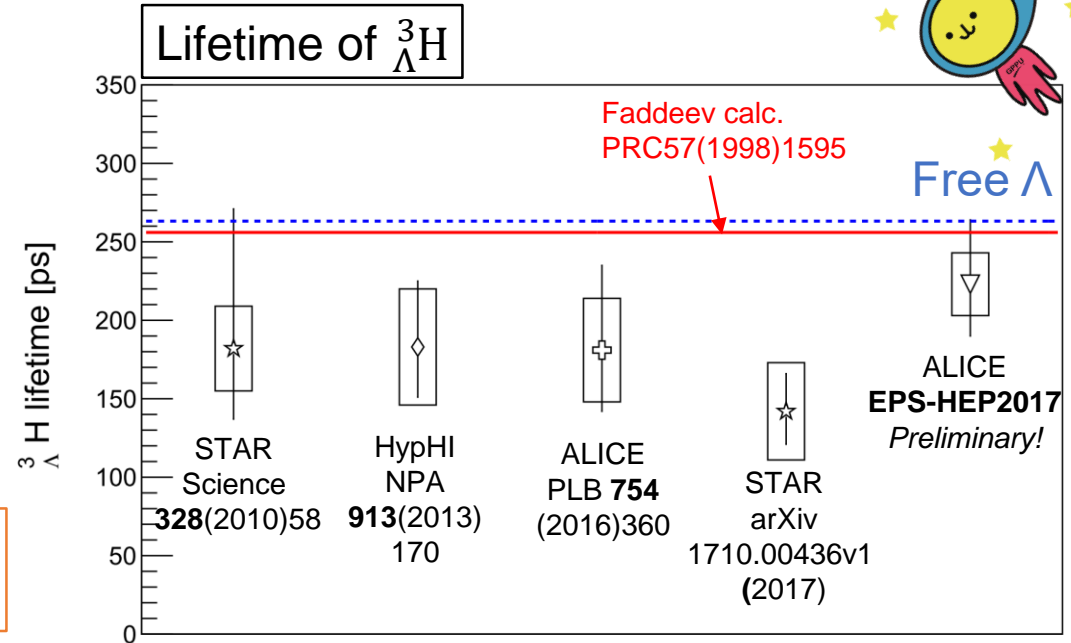


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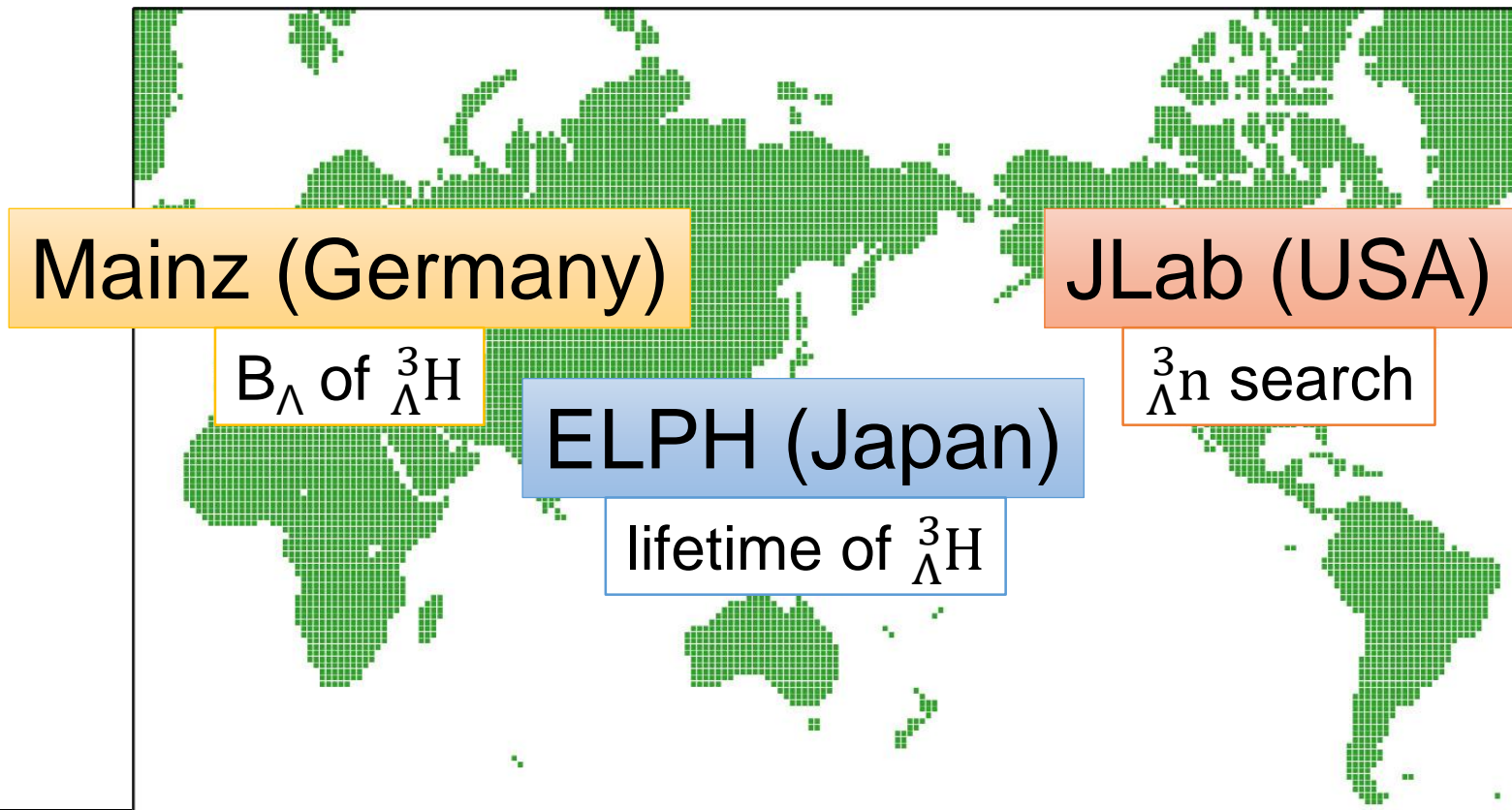
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## Solution of the puzzle from lifetime measurement

- Short lifetime  $\Rightarrow$  Deep bound system more than expected (nn $\Lambda$  can be bound?)
- Long lifetime  $\Rightarrow$  Systematic error of previous experiment

# Experimental approach to ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ puzzle

- ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$  : lifetime &  $B_{\Lambda}$
- ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{n}$  : exist or not



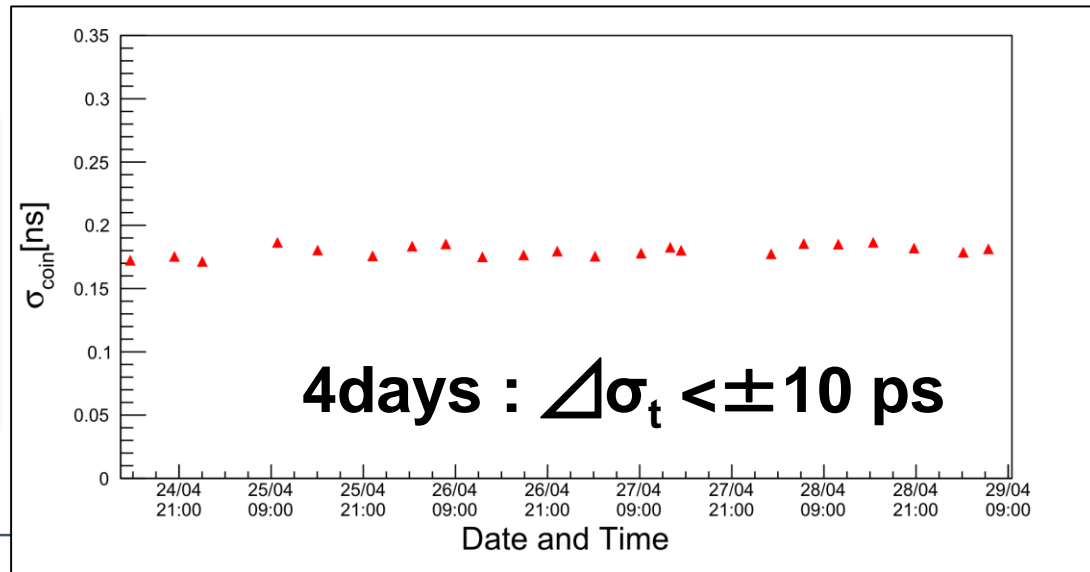
# Schedule

	Oct.			Nov.				Dec.	
TDL	Construction & Cosmic ray test ←→					TDL Install & cabling ←→			
NKS				nnΛ search exp. ←→					Beam time
JLab									

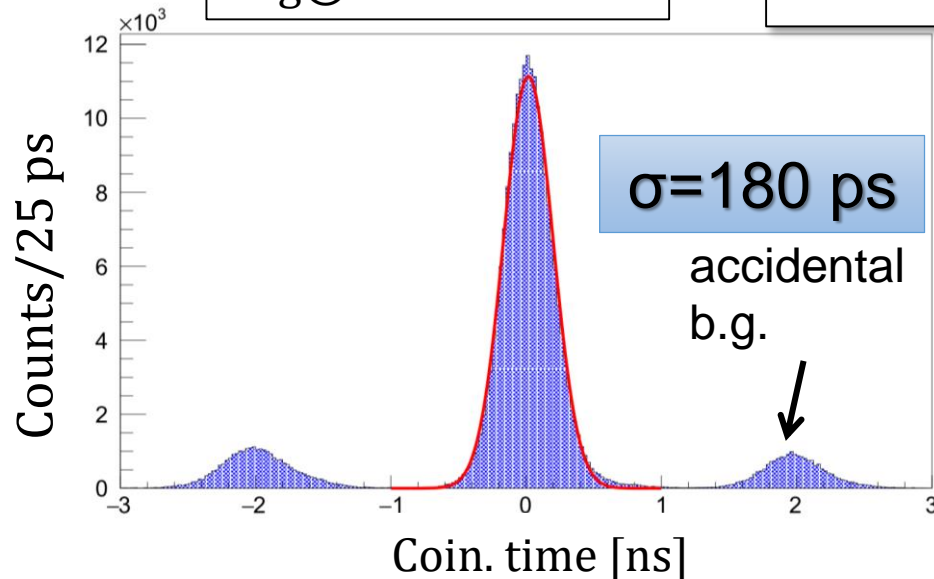
# Detector performance

## Requirements for a detector

- **Good time resolution < 100 ps**
- ✓ Compact design
- ✓ Work in magnetic field
- ✓ Stable performance (~month)



Tag $\otimes$ TDL coin. time



Component	$\sigma$ [ps]
TDL ( $\pi$ detector)	140
Production point	100
Photon tagger	50
Total	180

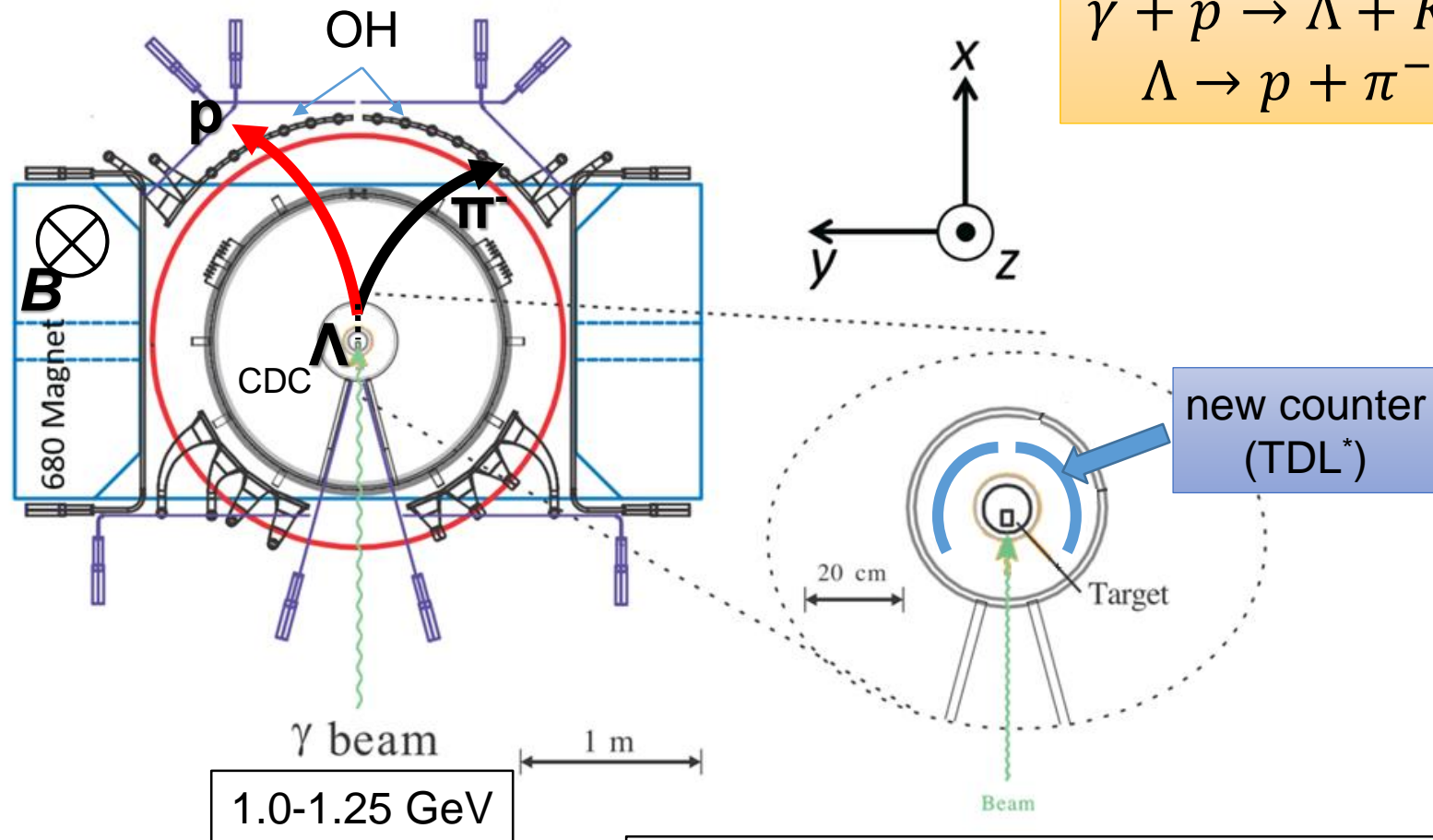
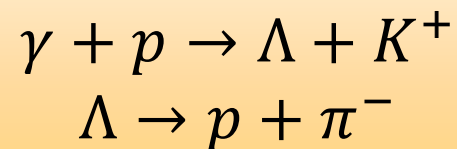


# Setup of phase0 exp. at ELPH

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Top view of NKS2

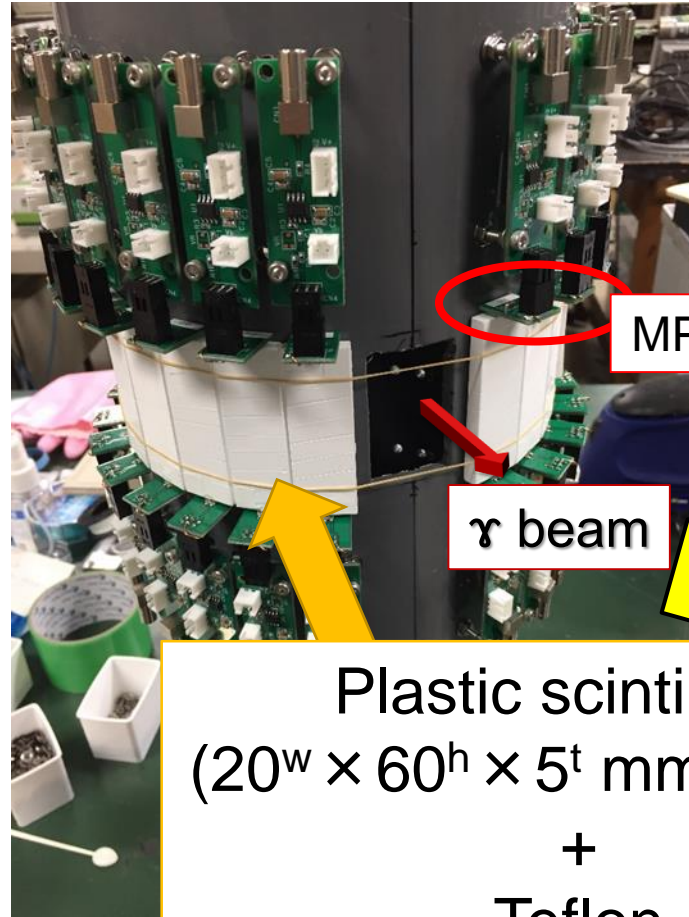
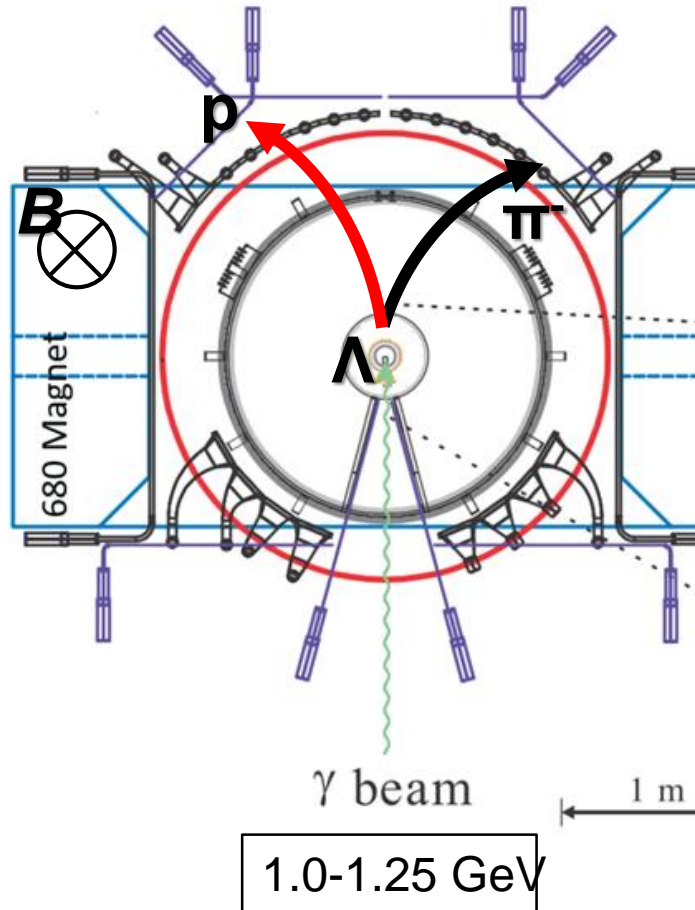
Apr. 2017 (10 days)



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# Setup for $\Lambda$ lifetime measurement at ELDU

Top view of NKS2



$\sigma_t = 140$  ps

Plastic scintillator  
( $20^w \times 60^h \times 5^t$  mm<sup>3</sup>, EJ212)  
+  
Teflon  
(as reflective material)

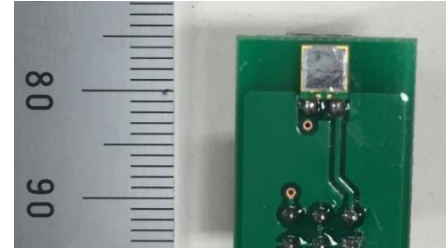
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# New detector for decay $\pi$

## Timing counter for **D**irect **L**ifetime measurement (TDL)

### Requirements for a detector

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- Compact design
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- Stable performance ( $\sim$ month)



SiPM(MPPC S13360-3050PE)

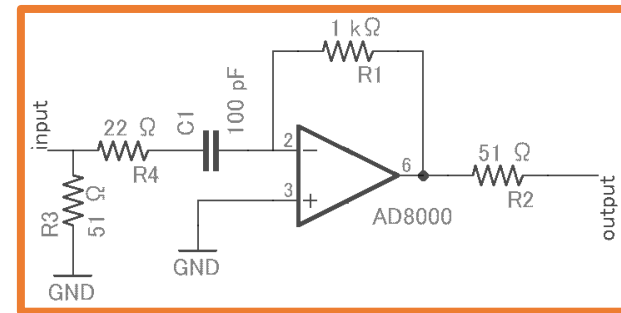
SiPM : MPPC (Hamamatsu)  
3x3 mm<sup>2</sup> effective area  
50  $\mu$ m pixel pitch

### Amp. circuit

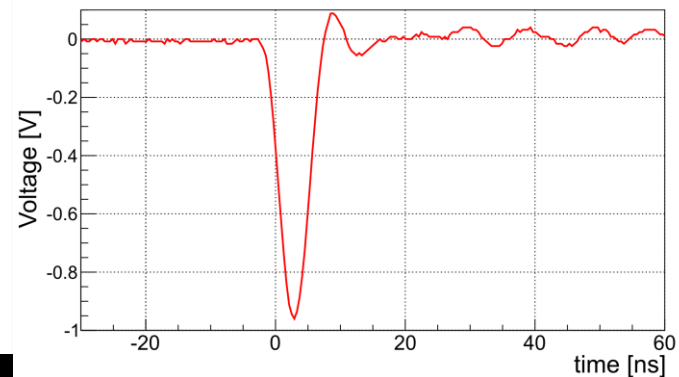
Op. amp : AD8000 (Analog Device)  
inversed differential circuit

### Readout

QTC module + CAEN V1290(TDC)

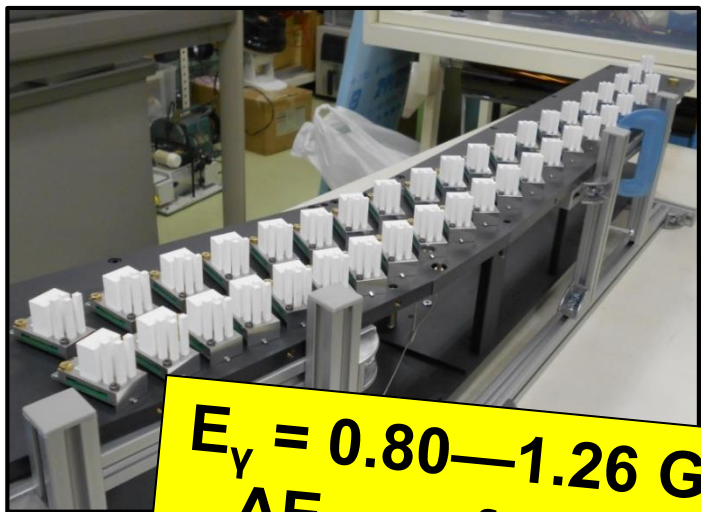


output signal

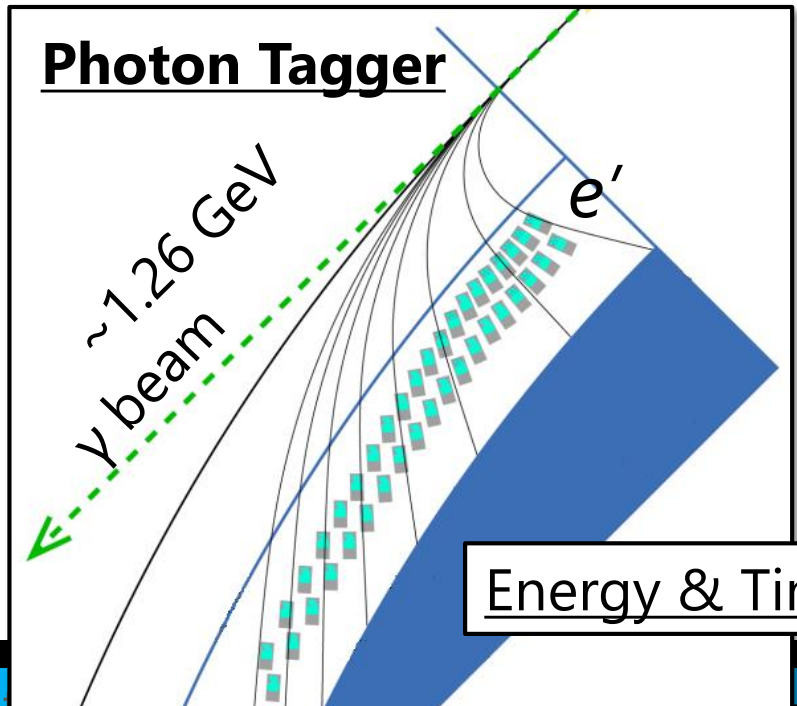




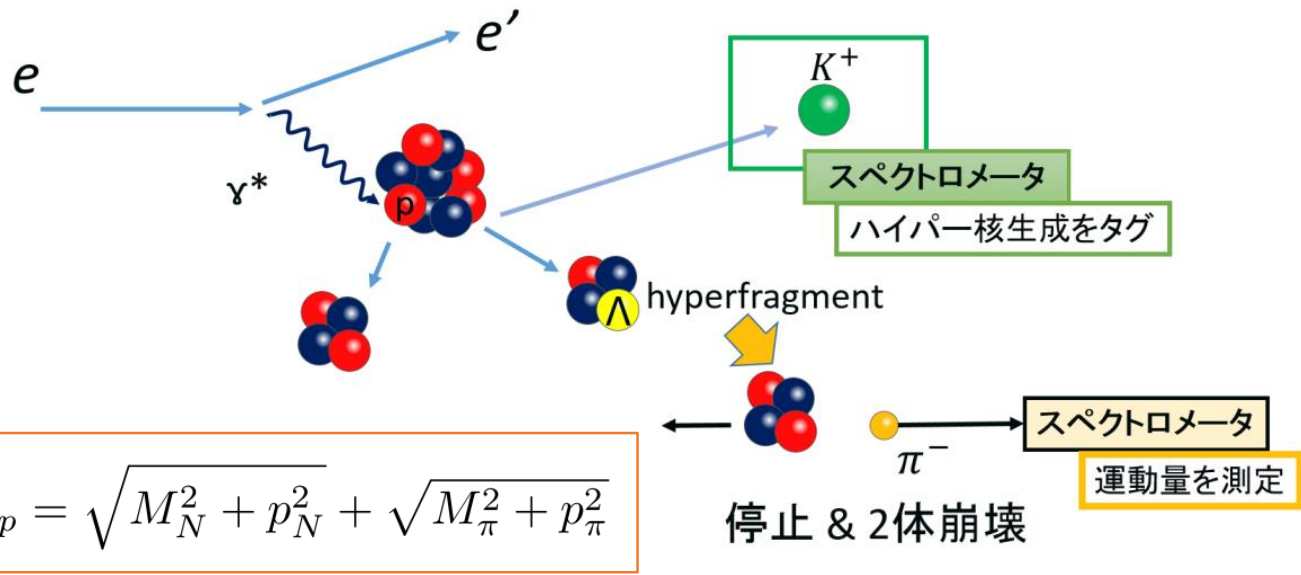
# Photon beam at ELPH



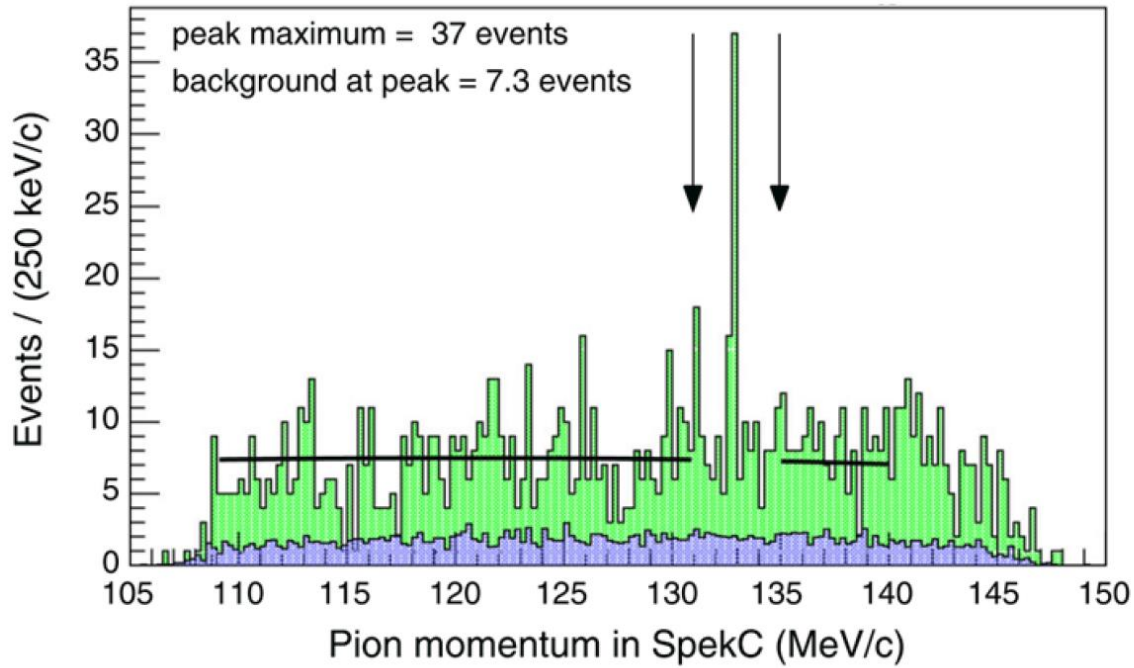
$E_\gamma = 0.80 - 1.26 \text{ GeV}$   
 $\Delta E_\gamma \sim \text{a few MeV}$   
 $\sigma_t = 50 \text{ ps}$



$B_{\Lambda}$



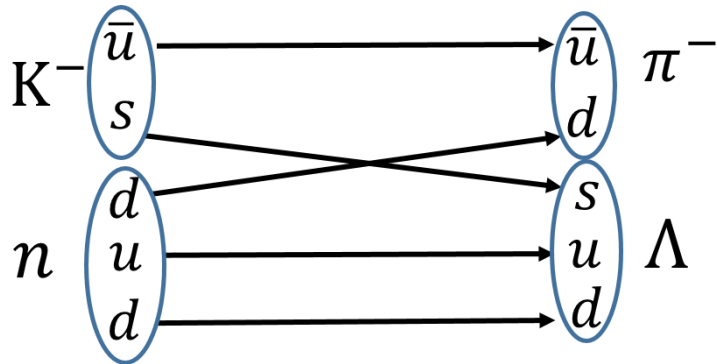
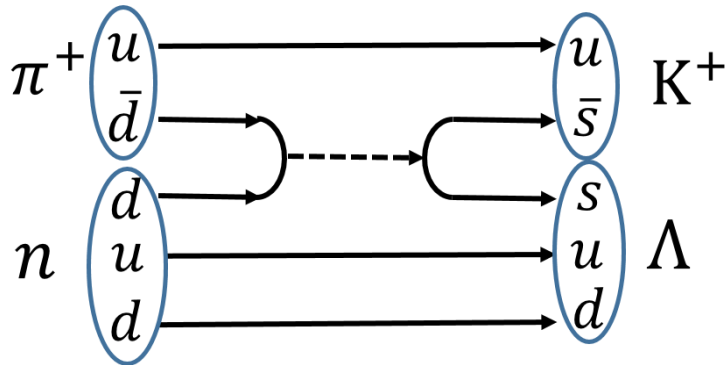
$$M_{hyp} = \sqrt{M_N^2 + p_N^2} + \sqrt{M_{\pi}^2 + p_{\pi}^2}$$



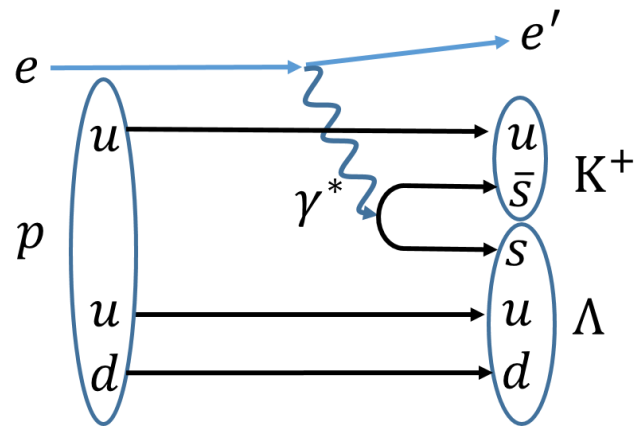


# $\Lambda$ hypernucleus production

$n \rightarrow \Lambda$



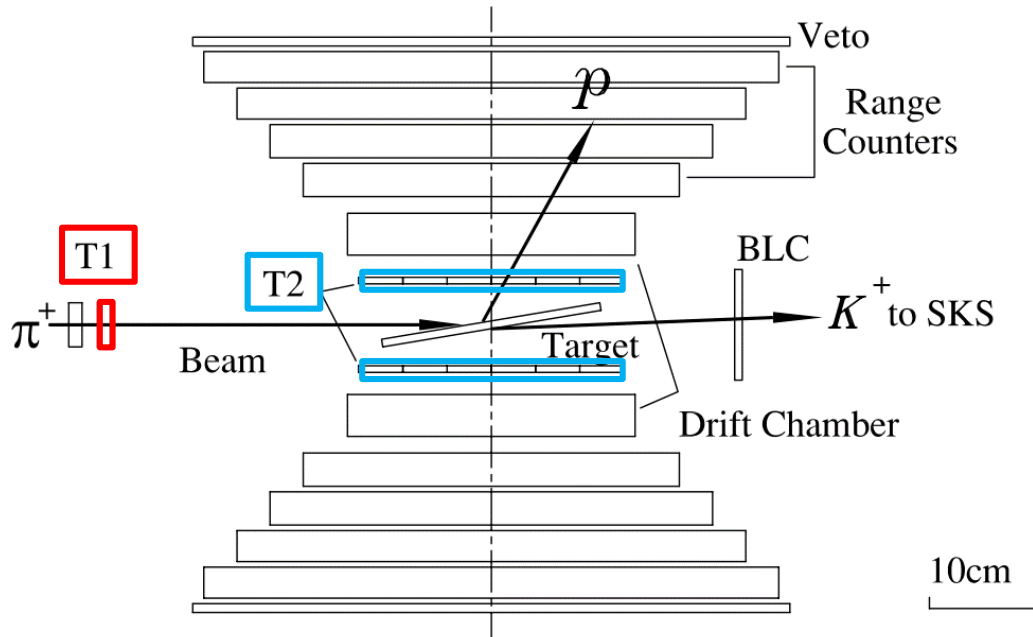
$p \rightarrow \Lambda$



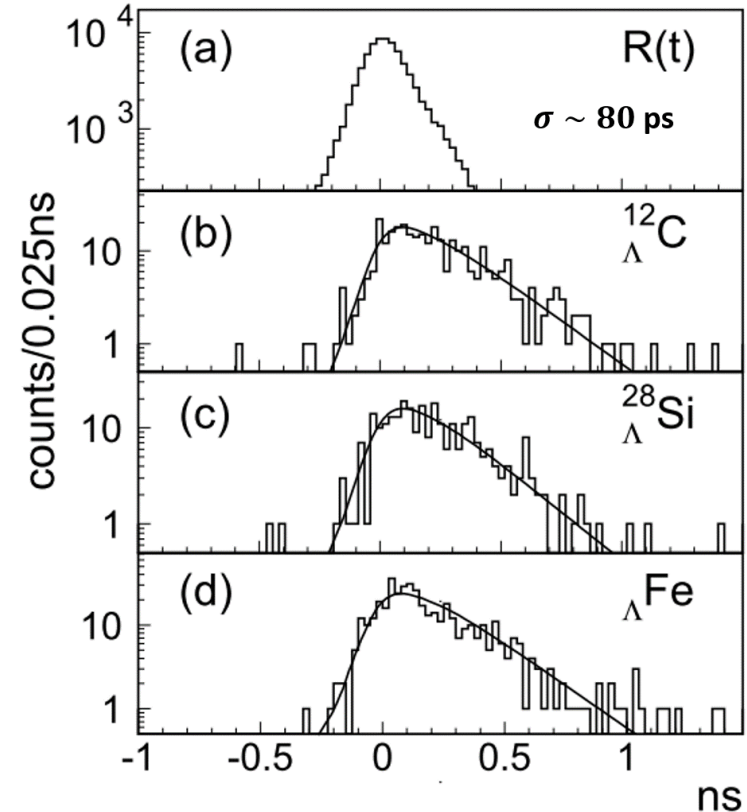
# Previous experiment @KEK

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- ( $\pi^+$ ,  $K^+$ ) reaction



$$t_d = (\underbrace{T2}_{\text{Target to T2}} - \underbrace{TOF_2}_{\text{Target to T2}}) - (\underbrace{T1}_{\text{T1 to Target}} + \underbrace{TOF_1}_{\text{T1 to Target}})$$



$$D(t) = \int_0^{\infty} R(t - t') e^{-t'/\tau} dt'$$

Hypernuclei	Number of events	Lifetime $\tau$ [ps]
$^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$	323	$231 \pm 15$
$^{28}_{\Lambda}\text{Sr}$	206	$206 \pm 12$
$^{\Lambda}\text{Fe}$	309	$215 \pm 14$