

Precision spectroscopy of light kaonic atom X-rays in the SIDDHARTA experiment

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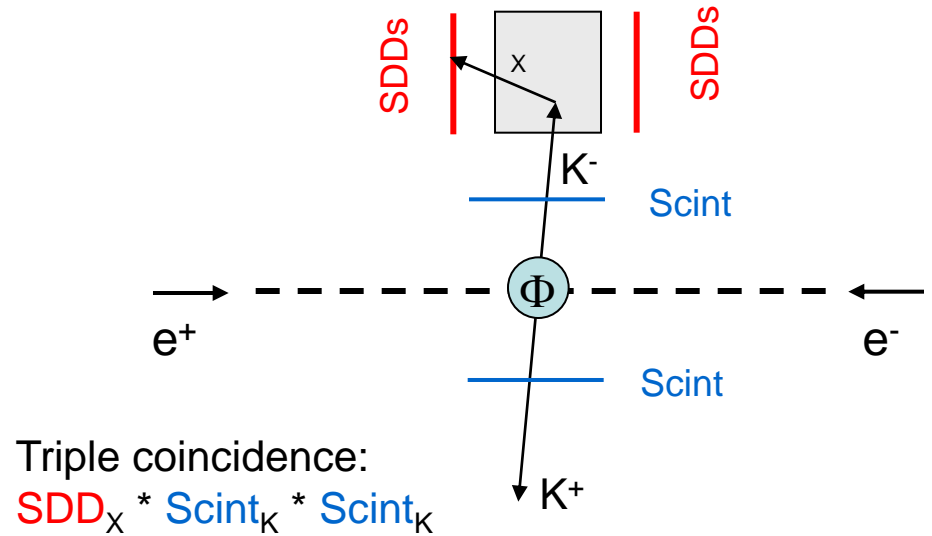
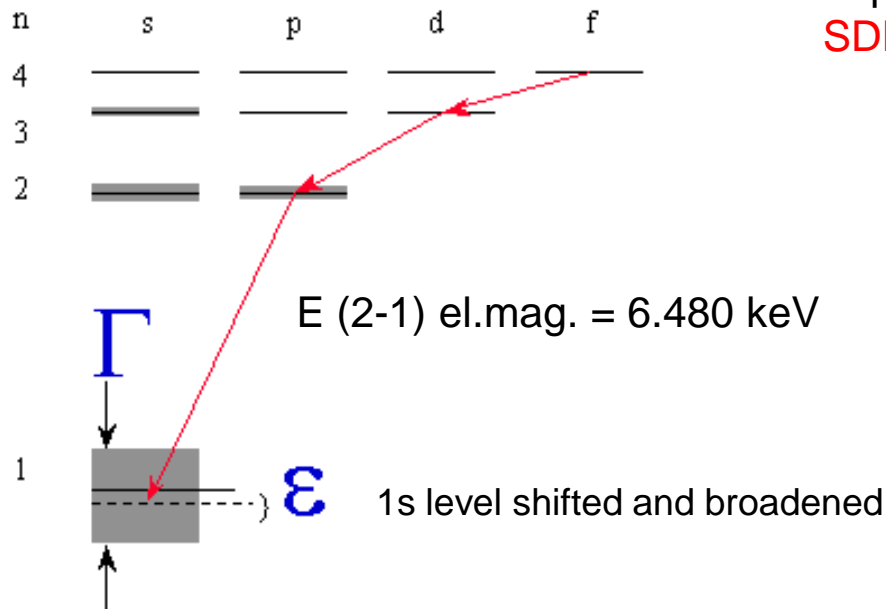
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SIDDHARTA - What is it ?

Goal: measure the shift and broadening of the X ray transition of light kaonic atoms.
The ground state is affected by the strong interaction of the kaon and the nucleus. Delivers input for effective theories in low energy QCD



New X-ray detectors (SDD silicon drift detectors)

- timing capability \rightarrow background suppression
- excellent energy resolution
- high efficiency, large solid angle
- performance in accelerator environment

Hadronic atoms in QCD

Objects of type $(\bar{K} X)$, (π^-, X) with $X = p, d, {}^3\text{He}, {}^4\text{He}, \dots$ or $\pi^+ \pi^-$ πK $\bar{p} \text{He}$

Bound electromagnetically, binding well known

Strong interaction (mediated by QCD) \rightarrow modify binding
 \rightarrow decay of object

in some cases: small perturbation

\rightarrow energy shift and width can be related to T-matrix elements at threshold
(Deser¹ type formulas)

compare to results from low energy scattering experiments²

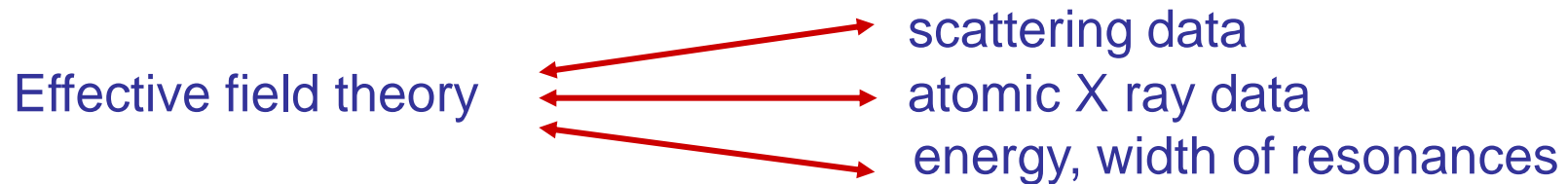
Low energy phenomena in strong interaction can not be described in terms of quarks and gluons, instead *effective theories* are used (they have some degrees of freedom to accomodate experimental data)

¹ Deser relation in some cases not sufficient to compare to high precision experimental data

² Problems: extrapolation to $E=0$ and quality of old experimental data

QCD predictions

Chiral perturbation theory was extremely successful in describing systems like πH , but can not be used for KH . Main reason is the presence of the $\Lambda(1405)$ resonance only 25 MeV below threshold.



There exist non-perturbative coupled channel techniques which are able to generate the $\Lambda(1405)$ dynamically as a $K\bar{N}$ quasibound state and as a resonance in the $\pi \Sigma$ channel

Kaonic hydrogen – Deser formula

With a_0, a_1 standing for the $I=0,1$ S-wave $\bar{K}N$ complex scattering lengths in the isospin limit ($m_d = m_u$), μ being the reduced mass of the K^-p system, and neglecting isospin-breaking corrections, the relation reads:

$$\varepsilon + i \frac{\Gamma}{2} = \frac{2\pi}{\mu} 2\alpha^3 \mu^2 a_{K^-p} = 412 \text{ fm}^{-1} \cdot eV \cdot a_{K^-p}$$

$$a_{K^-p} = \frac{1}{2}(a_0 + a_1)$$

... a linear combination of the isospin scattering lengths a_0 and a_1 to disentangle them, also the kaonic deuterium scattering length is needed

„By using the non-relativistic effective Lagrangian approach a complete expression for the isospin-breaking corrections can be obtained; in leading order parameter-free modified Deser-type relations exist and can be used to extract scattering lengths from kaonic atom data“²

²Meißner, Raha, Rusetsky, 2004

Kaonic deuterium

For the determination of the isospin dependent scattering lengths a_0 and a_1 the hadronic shift and width of **kaonic hydrogen** *and* **kaonic deuterium** are necessary !

Elaborate procedures needed to connect the observables with the underlying physics parameters.

“To summarize, one may expect that the combined analysis of the forthcoming high-precision data from DEAR/SIDDHARTA collaboration on kaonic hydrogen and deuterium will enable one to perform a stringent test of the framework used to describe low-energy kaon deuteron scattering, as well as to extract the values of a_0 and a_1 with a reasonable accuracy. However, in order to do so, much theoretical work related to the systematic calculation of higher-order corrections within the non-relativistic EFT is still to be carried out.” (from: Kaon-nucleon scattering lengths from kaonic deuterium, **Meißner, Raha, Rusetsky, 2006**, arXiv:nucl-th/0603029)

$$a_{K^-p} = \frac{1}{2} [a_0 + a_1]$$

$$a_{K^-n} = a_1$$

$$a_{K^-d} = \frac{4[m_N + m_K]}{[2m_N + m_K]} \cdot a^{(0)} + C$$

Impulse approximation term

↑
larger
then
leading
term

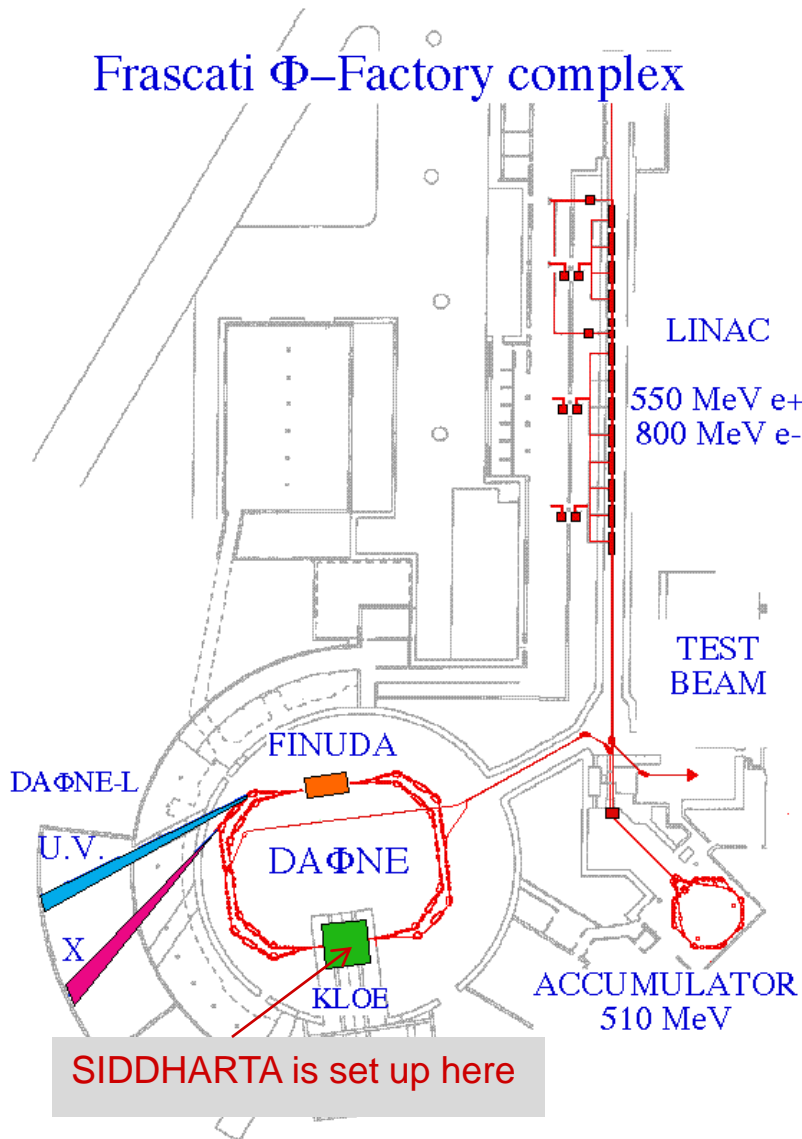
$$a^{(0)} = \frac{1}{2} [a_{K^-p} + a_{K^-n}] = \frac{1}{4} [a_0 + 3a_1]$$

Summary of physics framework and motivation

- Exotic (kaonic) atoms – probes for strong interaction
 - hadronic shift ϵ_{1s} and width Γ_{1s} directly observable
 - experimental study of low energy QCD. Testing chiral symmetry breaking in strangeness systems
- Kaonic hydrogen
 - Kp simplest exotic atom with strangeness
 - kaonic hydrogen „puzzle“ solved – but: more precise experimental data important
 - kaonic deuterium never measured before
 - atomic physics: new cascade calculations (to be tested !)
- Information on $\Lambda(1405)$ sub-threshold resonance
 - responsible for negative real part of scattering amplitude at threshold
 - important for the search for the controversial „deeply bound kaonic states“ present / upcoming experiments (KEK,GSI,DAFNE,J-PARC)
- Determination of the isospin dependent KN scattering lengths
 - no extrapolation to zero energy

DAΦNE

Frascati Φ -Factory complex



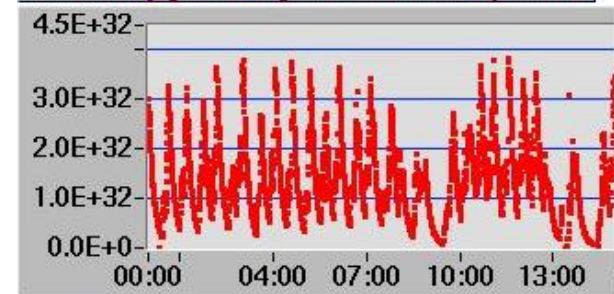
electron-positron collider, energy at ϕ resonance
 ϕ produced nearly at rest.

(boost: 55 mrad crossing angle \rightarrow 28 MeV/c)

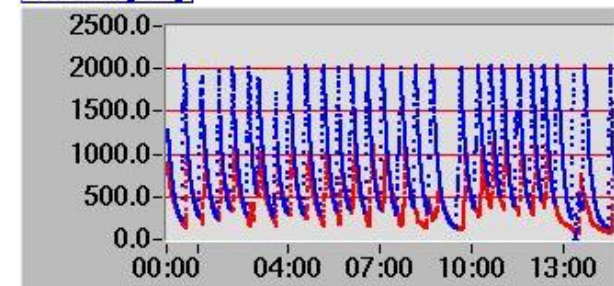
charged kaons from ϕ decay: $E_k = 16$ MeV

degrade to < 4 MeV to stop in gas target

Luminosity [$\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$] - on line FARM process



current [mA]



Φ production cross section ~ 3000 nb (loss-corrected)
 Integr. luminosity 2009 $\sim 6 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ per day ¹⁾ ($\sim 10^7 K^\pm$)
 (increased by crabbed waist scheme)

Peak luminosity $\sim 3 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1} = 450 \text{ Hz } K^\pm$

¹⁾ we can not use kaons produced during injections.

compare situation during DEAR data taking (2002)
 currents $\sim 1200/800 \sim 1 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ per day, peak $\sim 3 \times 10^{31} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$

The challenge

to do low energy X ray spectroscopy at an accelerator !

The radiation environment produces **a lot of charge** in Si detectors

„Beam background“ Touschek scattering – stray 510 MeV e^\pm - **e.m. showers.**
 e^\pm from Babha scattering – Showers.

not correlated to charged kaon pairs; „accidentals“

μ, π, e from **K decay**; $\Lambda, \pi, ..$ from **K- absorption**, kaonic X rays from **K- wallstops**
synchronous background – has trigger signal – remains in triggered setup
„hadronic background“

S: Signal, B: background,
T: trigger rate,
 S_T : signal per trigger
 Δt : coincidence width,
A: accidental rate,
 H_T : hadronic background in ROI, per trigger

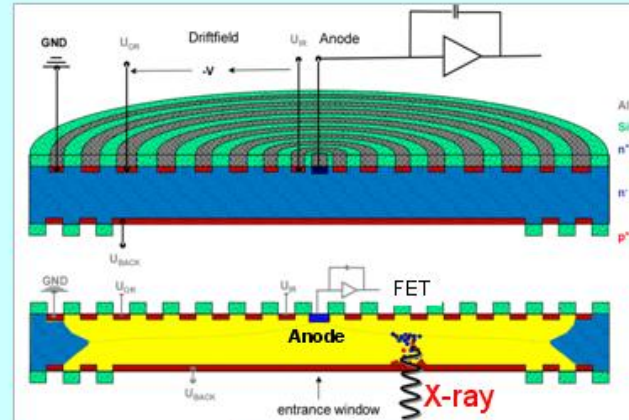
$$S / B = \frac{T \cdot S_T}{T \cdot (\Delta t \cdot A + H_T)}$$

Function principle

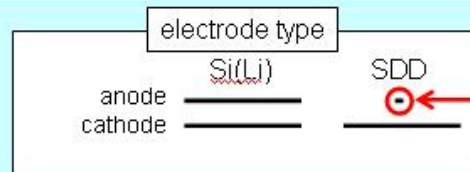
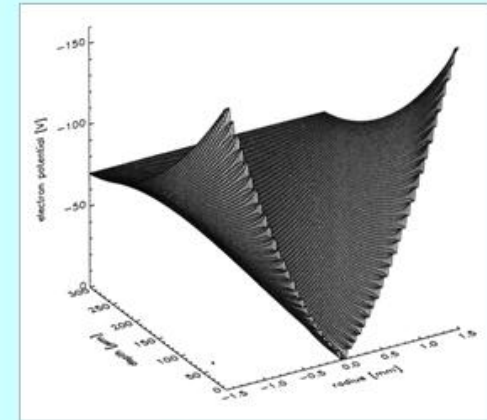
SDD (Silicon Drift Detector)



Schematic drawing



potential distribution



$$Q = CV$$

$$= (\epsilon_0 S / d) V$$

Small capacitance

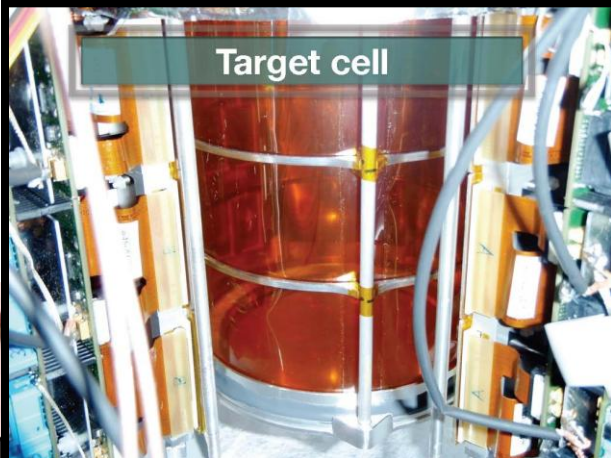
The small capacitance results in a large amplitude and a short rise time of the signal

Compared to conventional photodiodes SDDs can be operated at higher rates and have better energy resolution.

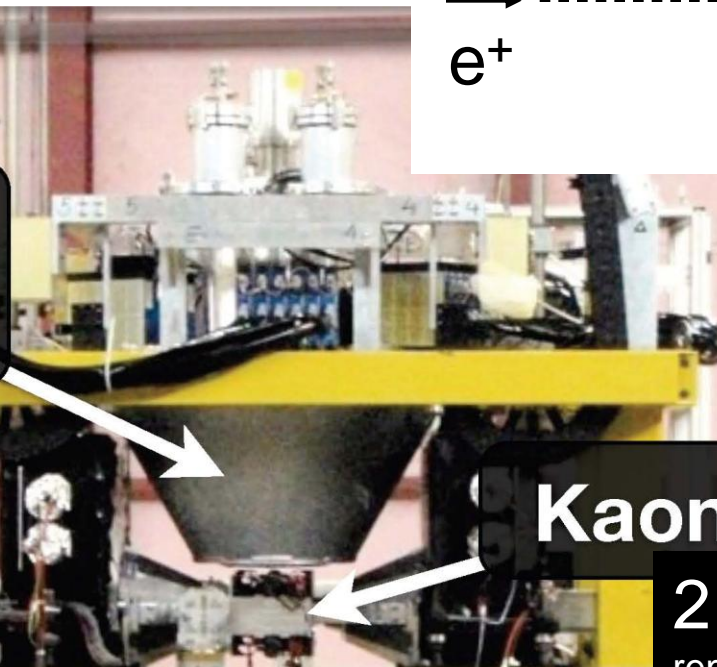
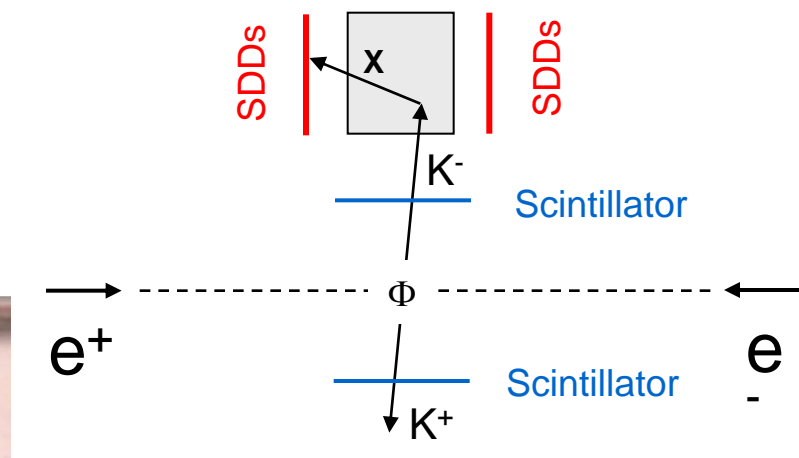
A lateral field makes the produced charge drift to the collecting anode.

different from standard electronic devices:

- double sided structure
- not passivated
- large area chips
- arrangement of bond pads in the center



**SDDs & Target
(inside vacuum)**

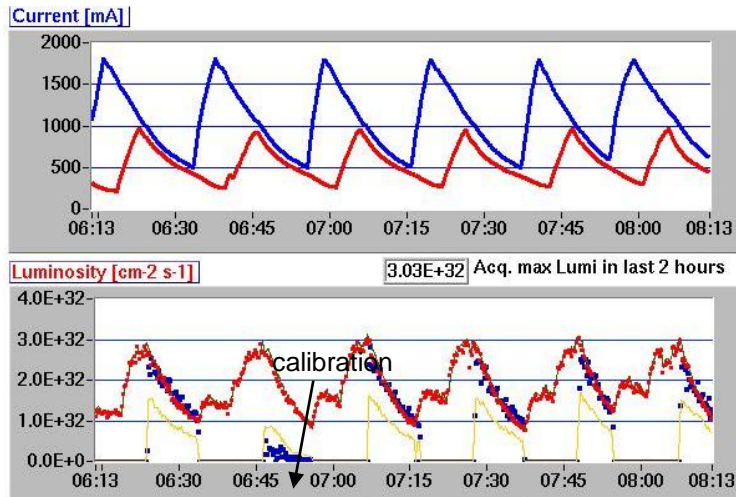


Kaon detector

2 scintillators

remote controlled
mechanism to remove
during calibrations

Luminosity

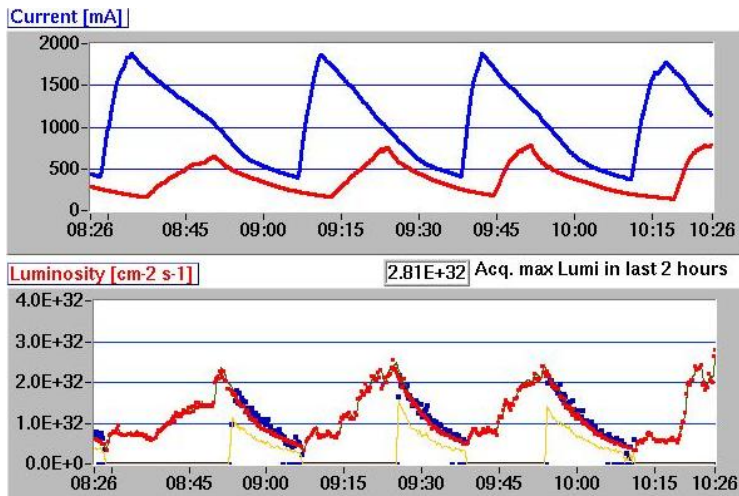


siddharta can work only between injections (blue dots, yellow line)

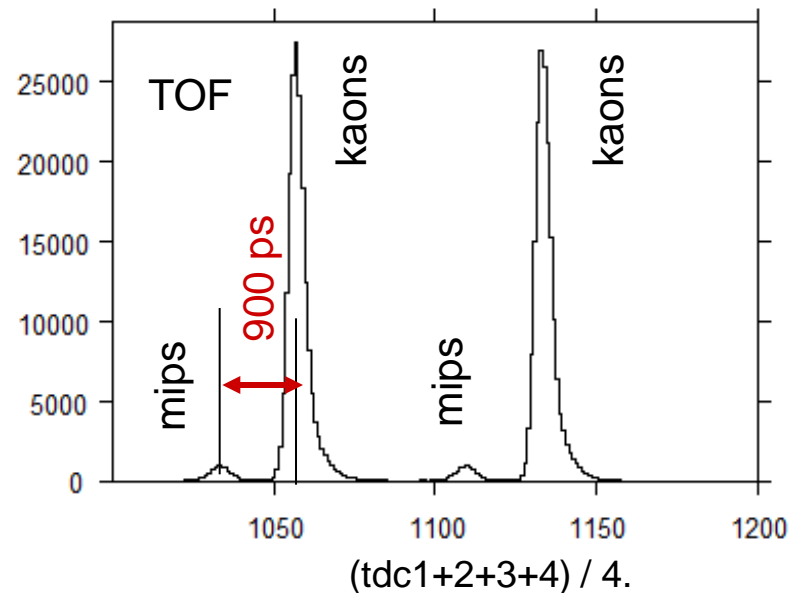
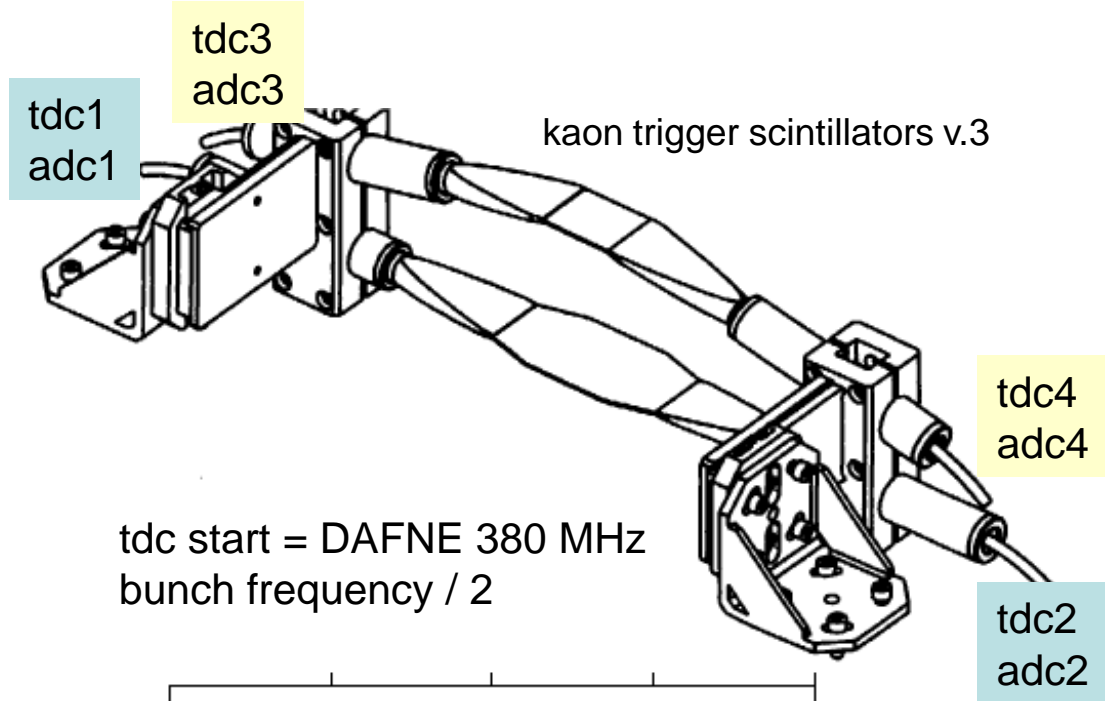
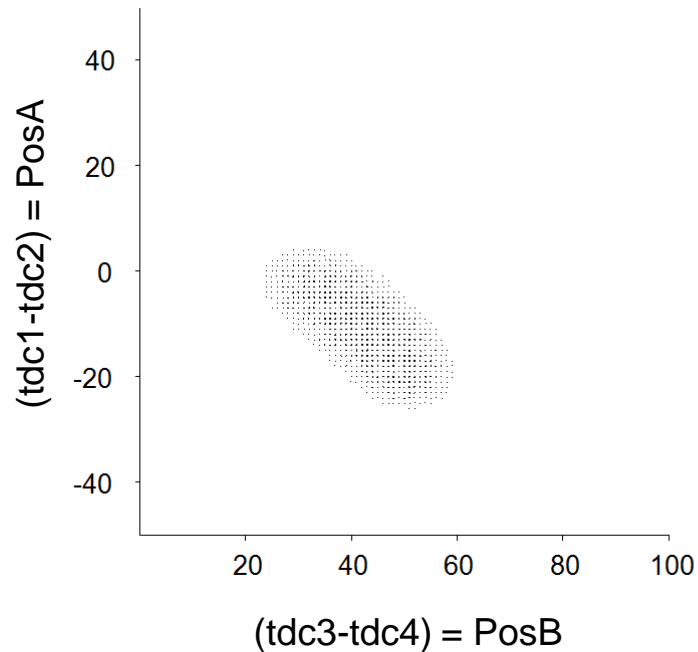
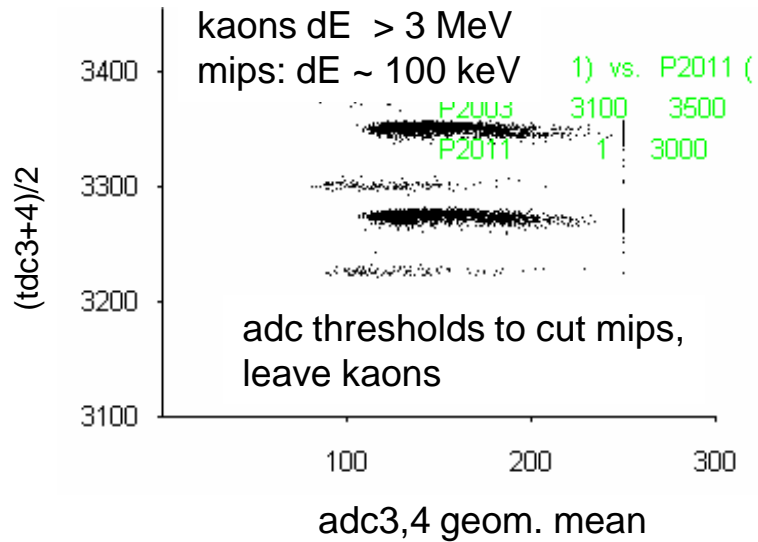
under good conditions during siddharta DAQ $\sim 2.8\text{e}32 - 1.0\text{e}32 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ luminosity

compare to 2002 DEAR experiment:
 $\sim 3.0\text{e}31 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
now up to 10 times higher !

siddharta integrated luminosity
on 23 Oct 2009: $\sim 8 \text{ pb}^{-1}$!



Kaon trigger



Data analysis

What the Data Acquisition System stores:

- Energies and detector numbers of X ray hits
- event id-number, time-tag
- if a kaontrigger happend:
 - the time correlation between X-ray and kaon
 - the kaon detector parameters
- DAFNE current values

From this we can derive in off-line analysis:

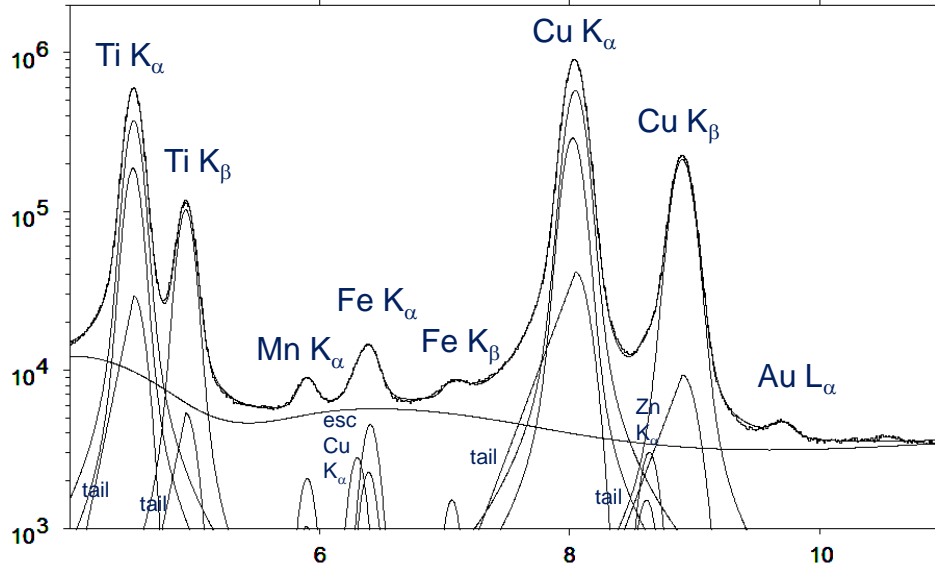
- the kaondetector TOF to discriminate against MIPS
- kaondetector position information from the timedifference of the PMs at both ends
- sdd rates (e.g. counts during last second)
- kaon rates (-- „ --)
- number of hits without vs. hits with kaon coincidence
- multiplicity of hits
- kaons per Xray

Analysis task:

select cuts on above listed parameters

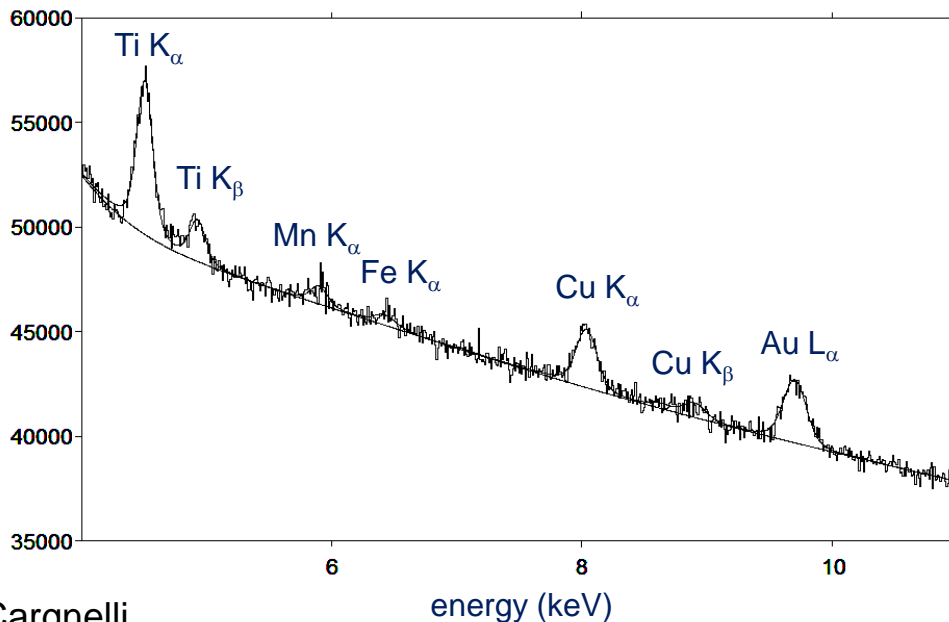
periodically update calibration and selection of best sdds

Energy calibration



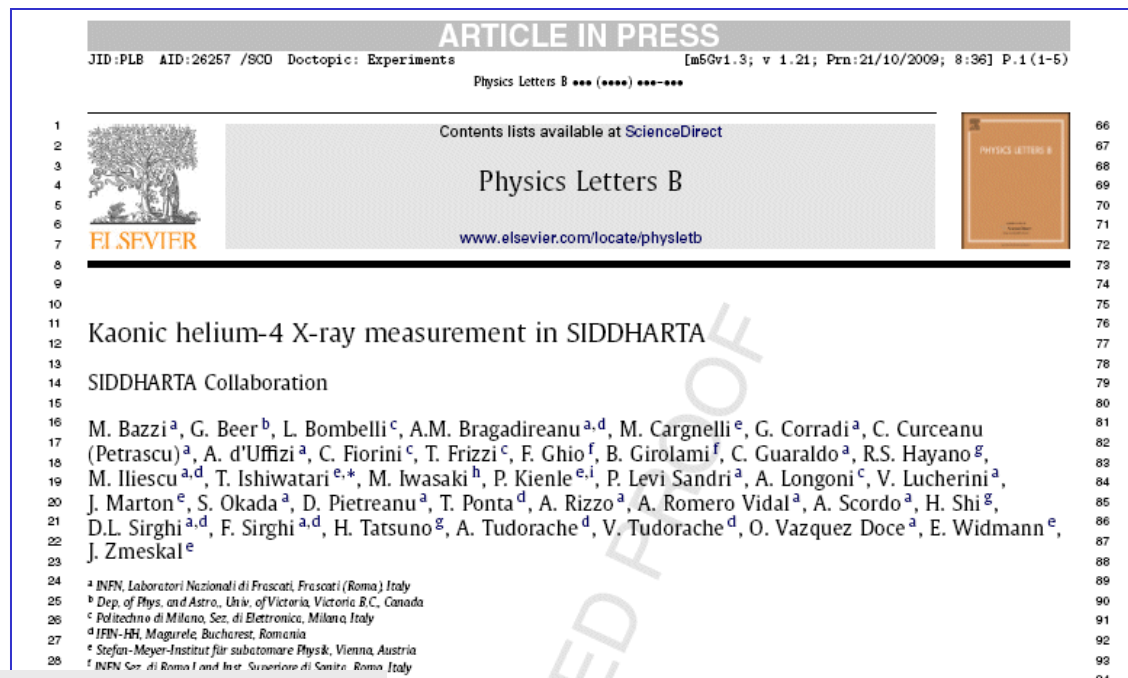
Calibration: periodic
xray-tube switch on
during beam
Ti + Cu K_α lines

line shape to fit
detector response
(sum of 100 sdds
with individual
resolution, small
asymmetry effect)



compare selftrigger
spectrum
without Xtube -
fluorescence lines
excited by
background

Published results



- Kaonic Helium-4 publication confirming the KEK E570 result using a gaseous target

- KHe4 publication concerning yields of the transitions: under preparation

- KHe3 paper: work in progress

| Table 1 | | Energy shift of the kaonic helium $2p$ state [4] | |
|---|------|--|---------------------------|
| A | B | ΔE_{2p} (eV) | Ref. |
| The scatt (SDD collid 0 \pm 6 | open | -41 ± 33 | Wiegand <i>et al.</i> [1] |
| | | -35 ± 12 | Batty <i>et al.</i> [2] |
| | | -50 ± 12 | Baird <i>et al.</i> [3] |
| | | -43 ± 8 | Average of above [3,4] |
| | | $+2 \pm 2$ (stat) ± 2 (syst) | Okada <i>et al.</i> [5] |
| | | 0 ± 6 (stat) ± 2 (syst) | This work |

[1,2,3] liquid He, [5] liq. He, Compton scattering corrected,
[This] gaseous He, Compton negligible

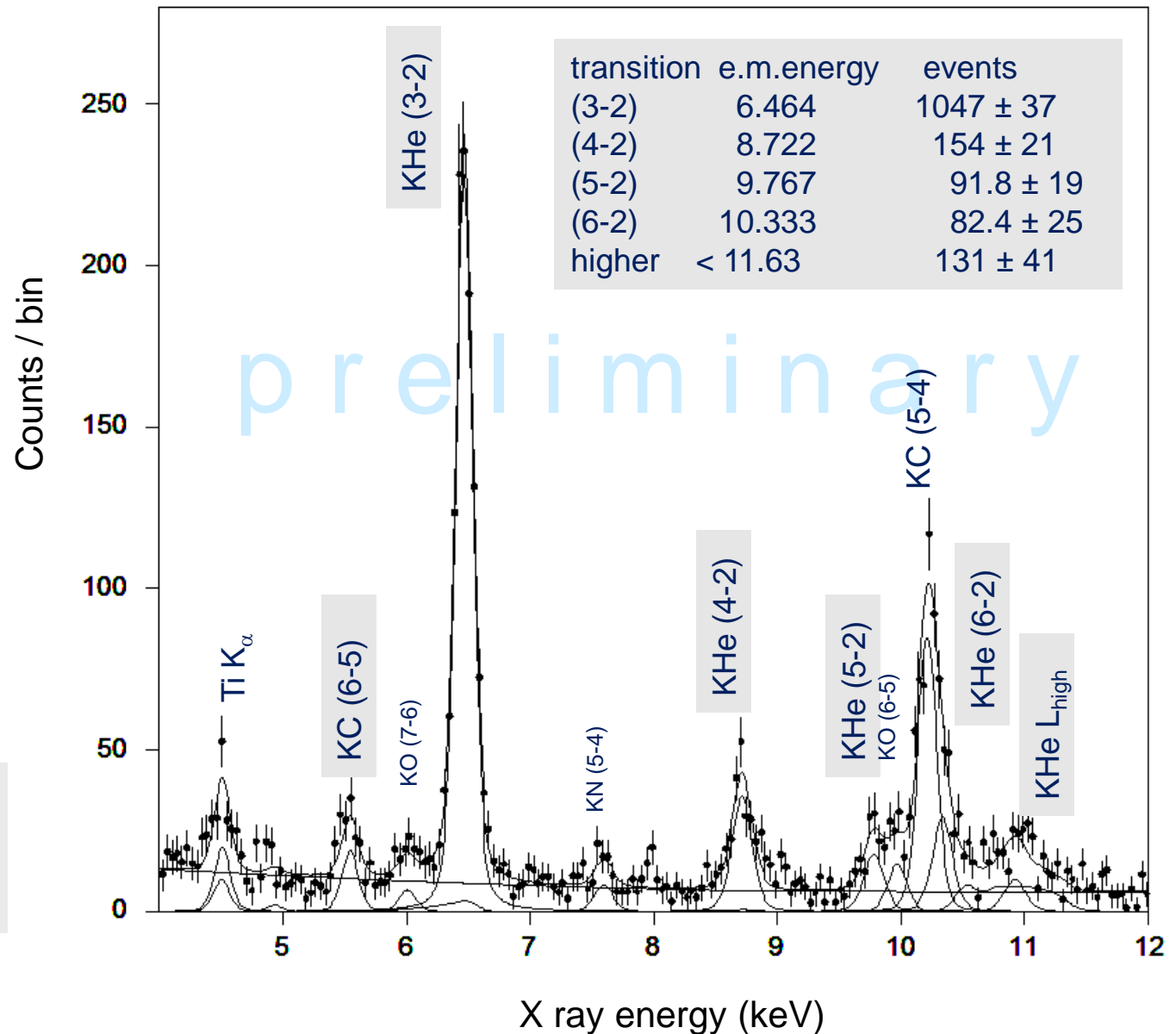
Fit of Kaonic Helium 4

KHe used for
**gasstop
optimization**
+ physics interest¹⁾

data from setup 2
(no Fe55 source)

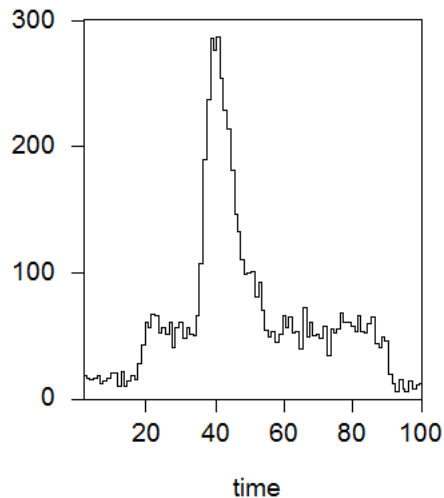
shift = + 2.1 eV
+/- 2.9 eV (stat.)
+/- 4 eV (syst.)

¹⁾ compare KEK E570
KHe L lines in liquid He,
consistent result,
first measurement in gas



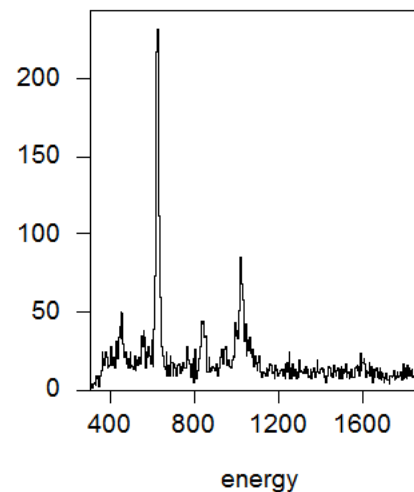
Kaonic Helium 3 data

time correlation
(83 ns per chan.)

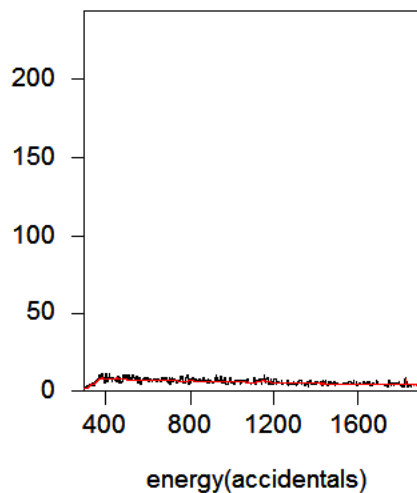


energy spectrum
for timewindow
ch. 37-46 (830 ns)

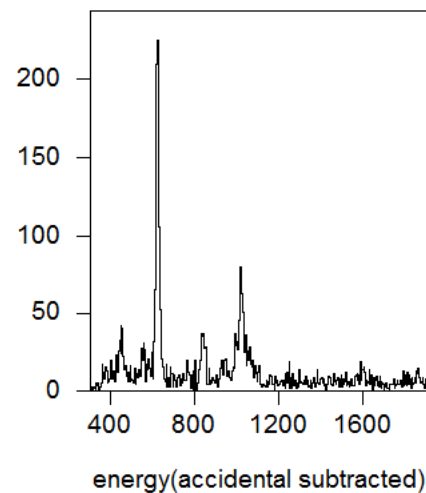
10 eV per chan.



energy spectrum
for timewindow
out of correlation



subtracted spectrum
only correlated
background remains

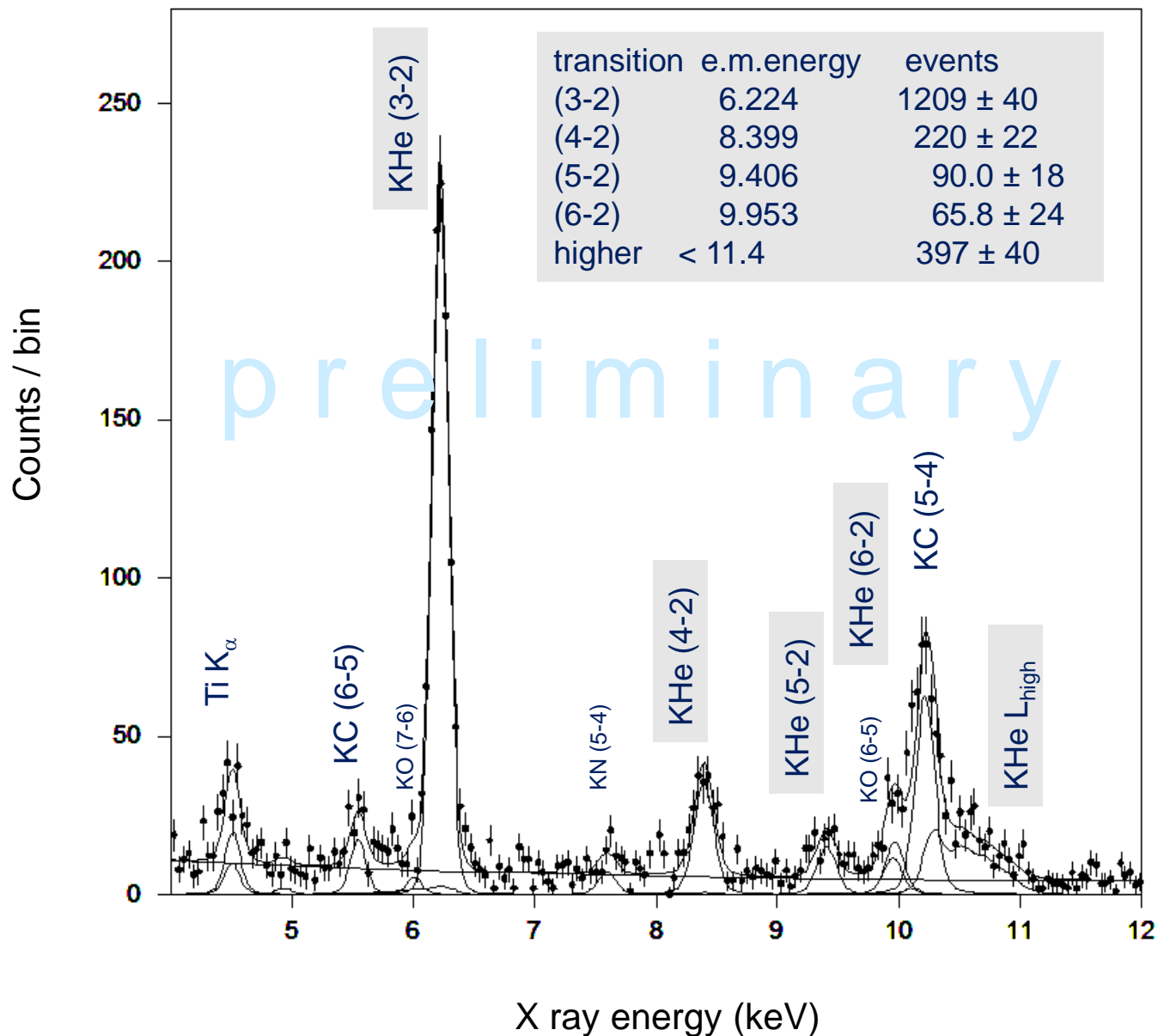


data of $\sim 15 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
taken 3.-7.11.2009

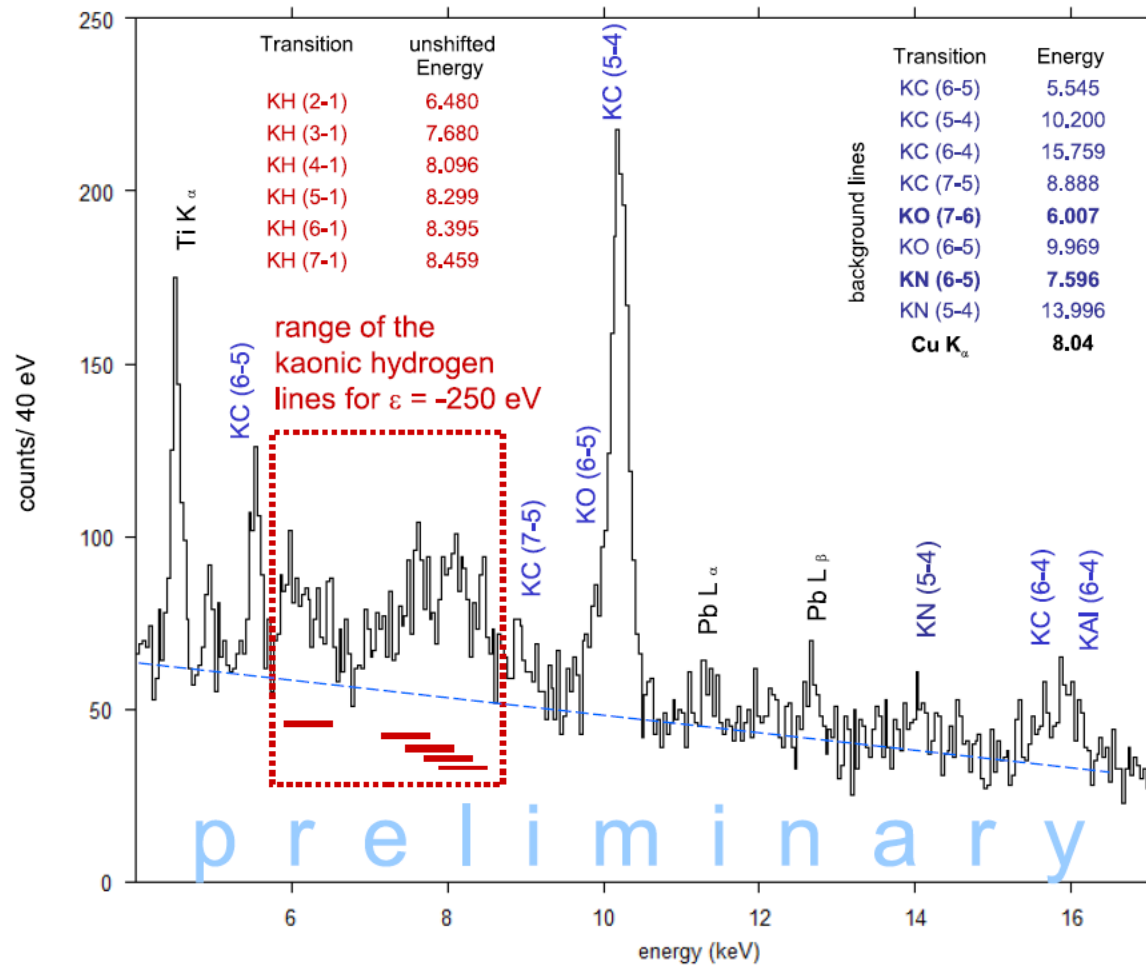
Fit of Kaonic Helium 3

KHe3
never measured
before !

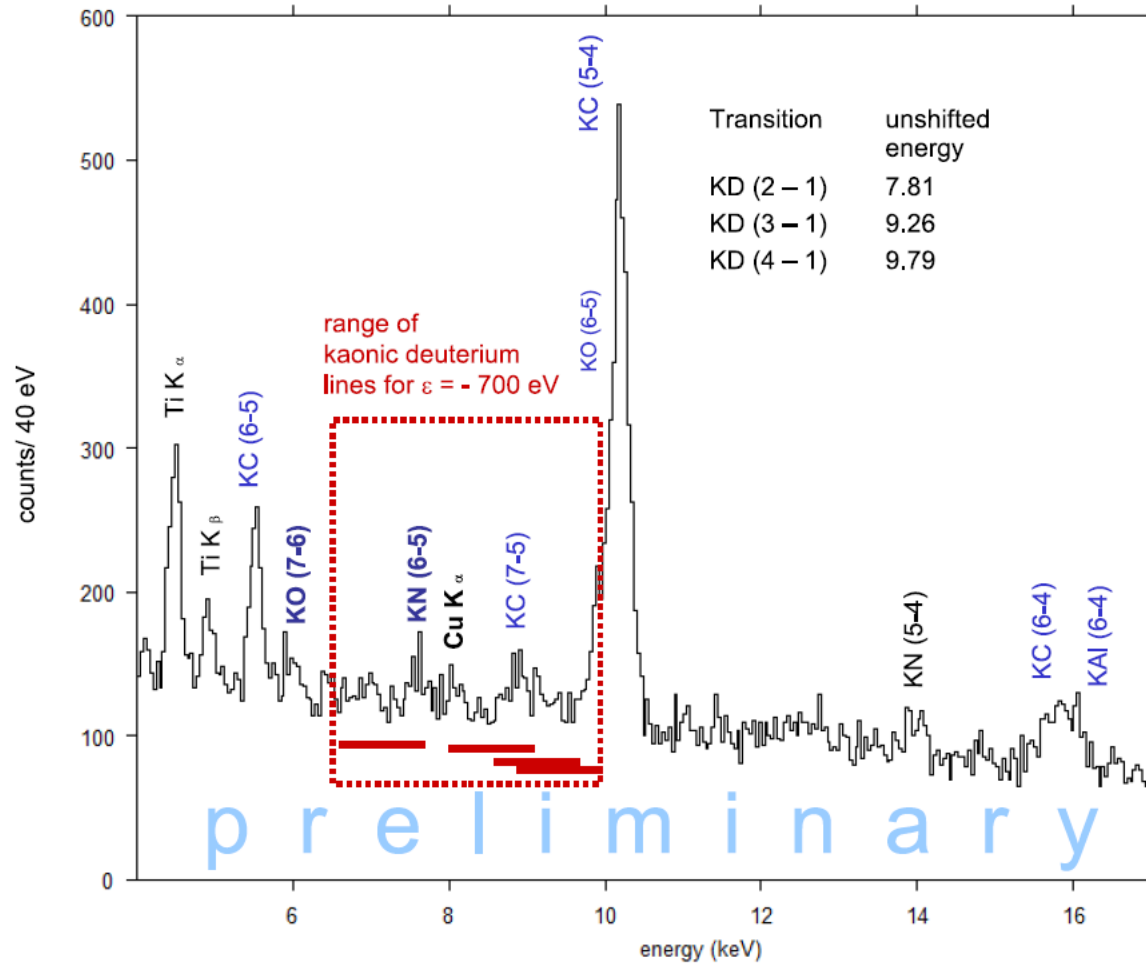
shift = - 1.7 eV
± 2.7 eV (stat.)
± 4 eV (syst.)



Kaonic hydrogen data

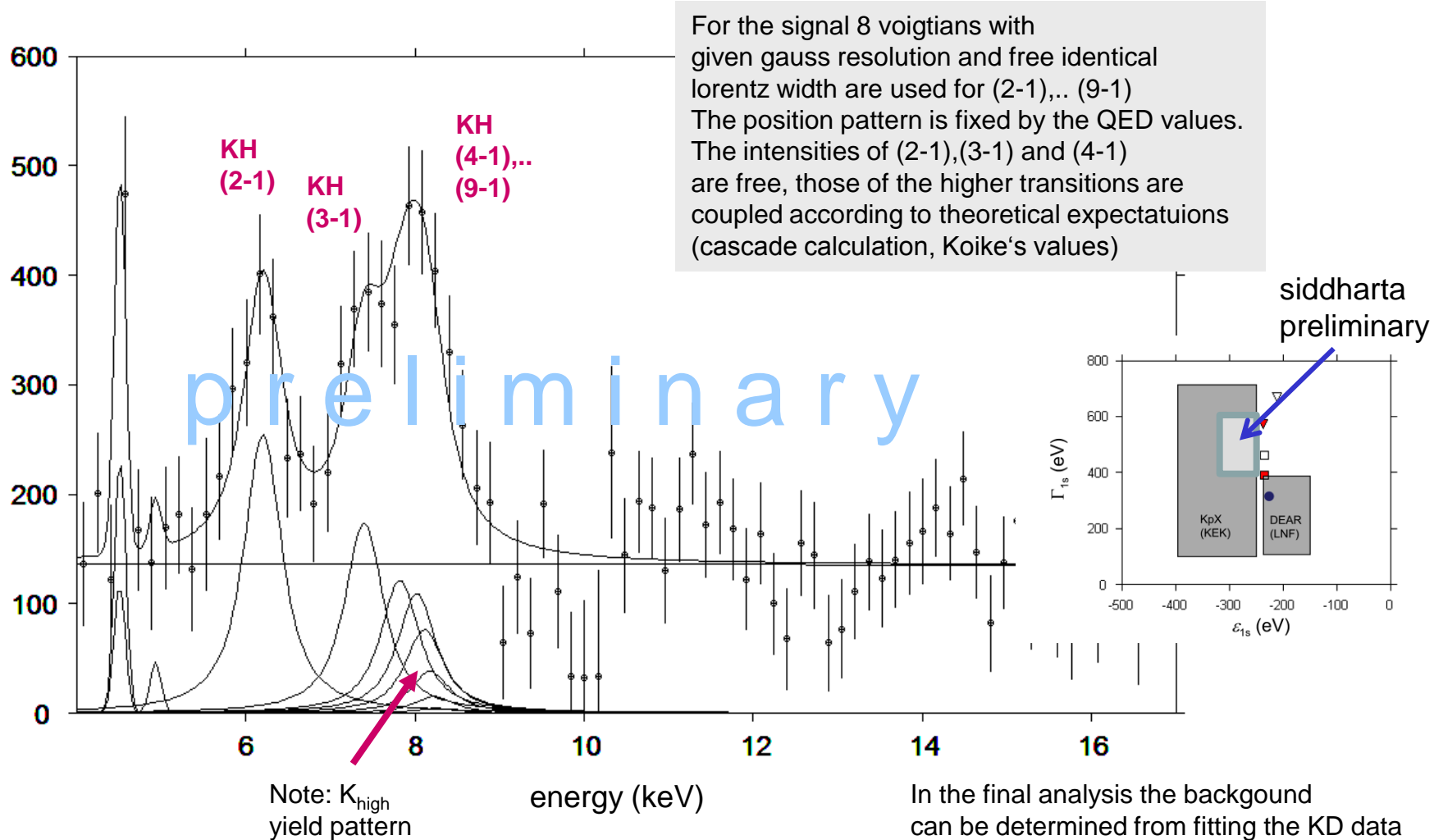


Kaonic deuterium data



Kaonic hydrogen fit

from the kaonic hydrogen spectrum the KD spectrum was subtracted to get rid of the kaonic background lines KO, KN. $290 \text{ pb}^{-1} \text{ KH}$



Summary and Outlook

SIDDHARTA data taking finished Nov 2009. Preliminary results:

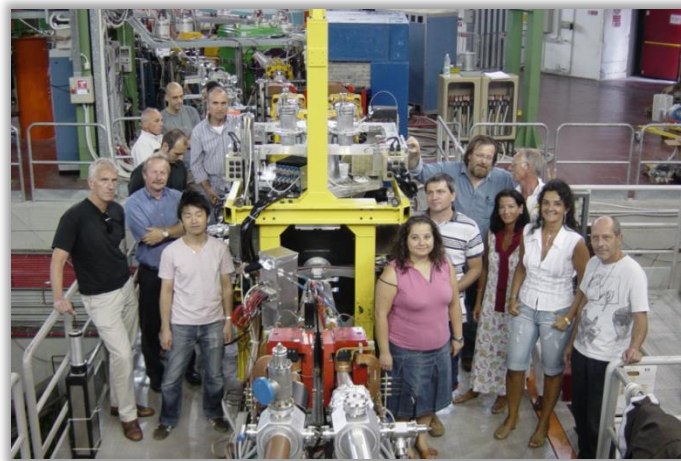
KHe4 measured in gaseous target, **shift zero** within errors (confirming E570)

KHe3 first time measurement, **shift zero** within errors ($\sigma = 2.7$ eV stat. 4 eV syst.)

K \bar{p} **shift ~ 270 eV, width ~ 500 eV** higher precision then in DEAR

K \bar{d} first measurement ever, **exploratory measurement**, small signal, significance $\sim 2\sigma$

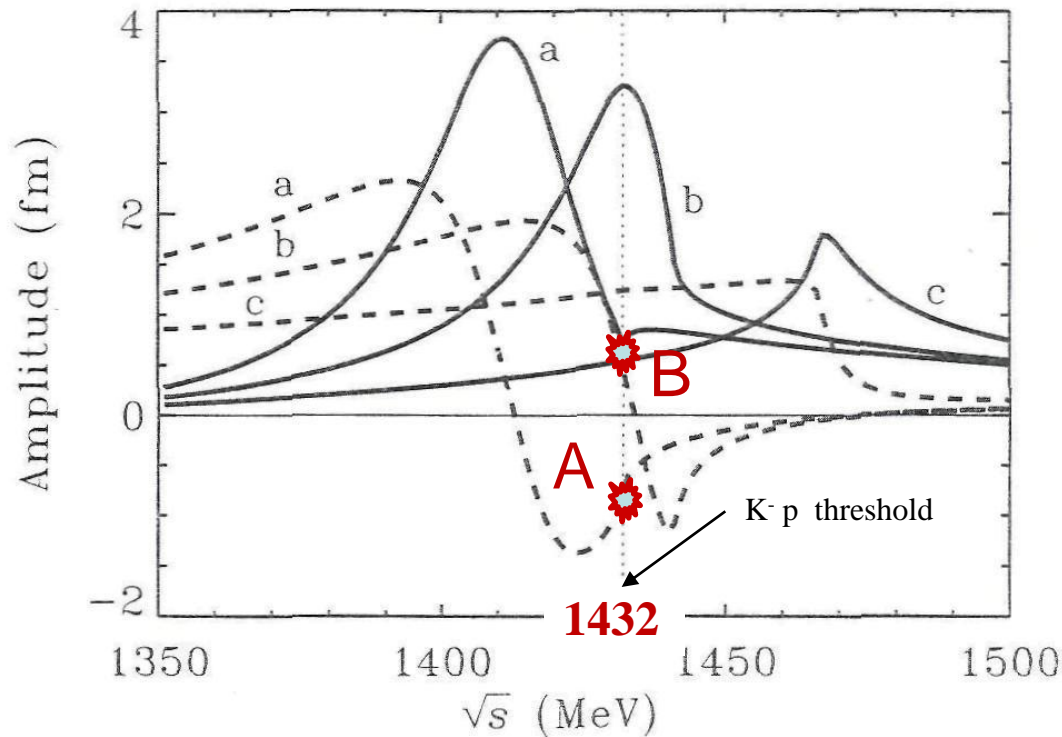
hopefully extension of the experimental program ~ 2012 -
with improved technique - remeasure Kd, other light atoms, heavys, $Kp \rightarrow \gamma \Lambda^*$



Thanks
for your
attention !

K⁻ N interaction may cause kaon-nucleon clusters ?

T. Waas, N. Kaiser, W. Weise, Phys. Lett. B 365 (1996) 12



Kpp, Kppn,... „deeply bound“ ?

- highly controversial
- new experiments planned

understanding of KN at threshold essential !

In free space, at threshold,
real part of $a_{K^-p} < 0$ (point A)

→ **repulsive interaction**

In nuclear matter at rather low
density ($\sim 0.2 \rho_0$), at threshold,
point B, real $a_{K^-p} > 0$

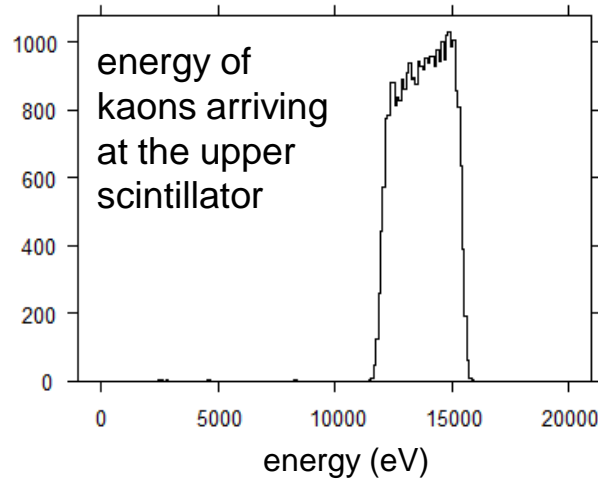
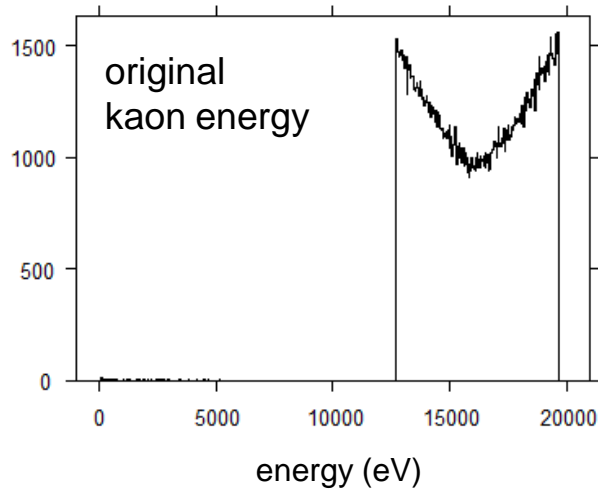
→ **attractive interaction**

Real (dashed lines) and imaginary parts (solid lines) of the K^-p scattering amplitude in nuclear matter at different values of the Fermi momentum $p_F = (3\pi^2 \rho/2)^{1/3}$, as a function of the total c.m. energy \sqrt{s}

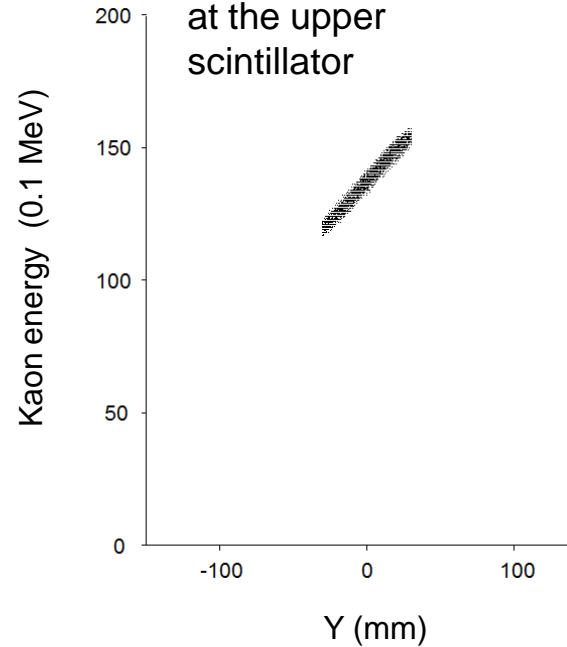
a) free space, $p_F = 0$; b) $\sim 0.2 \rho_0$, $p_F = 150$ MeV/c; c) $\sim 1.4 \rho_0$, $p_F = 300$ MeV/c;

$\rho_0 = 0.17 \text{ fm}^{-3}$

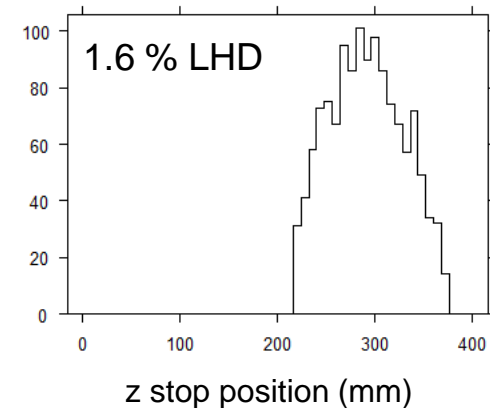
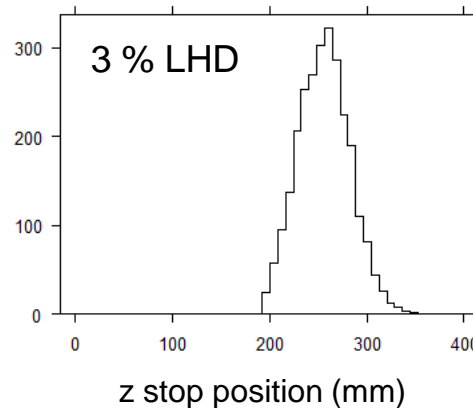
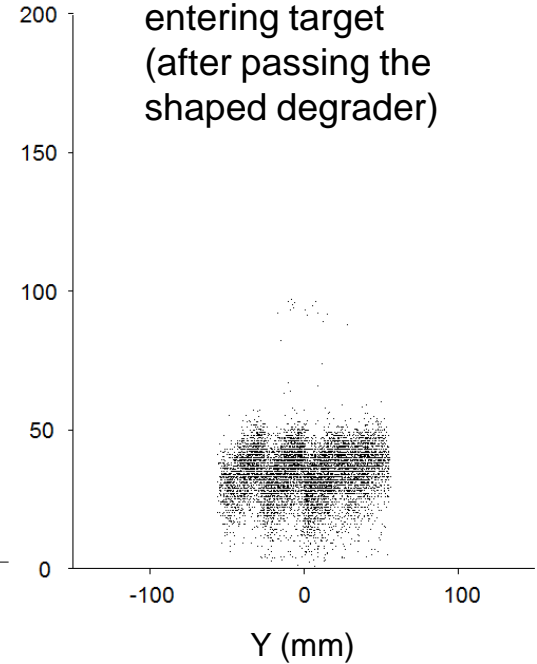
Simulation of kaon stopping



K energy vs.
position
at the upper
scintillator



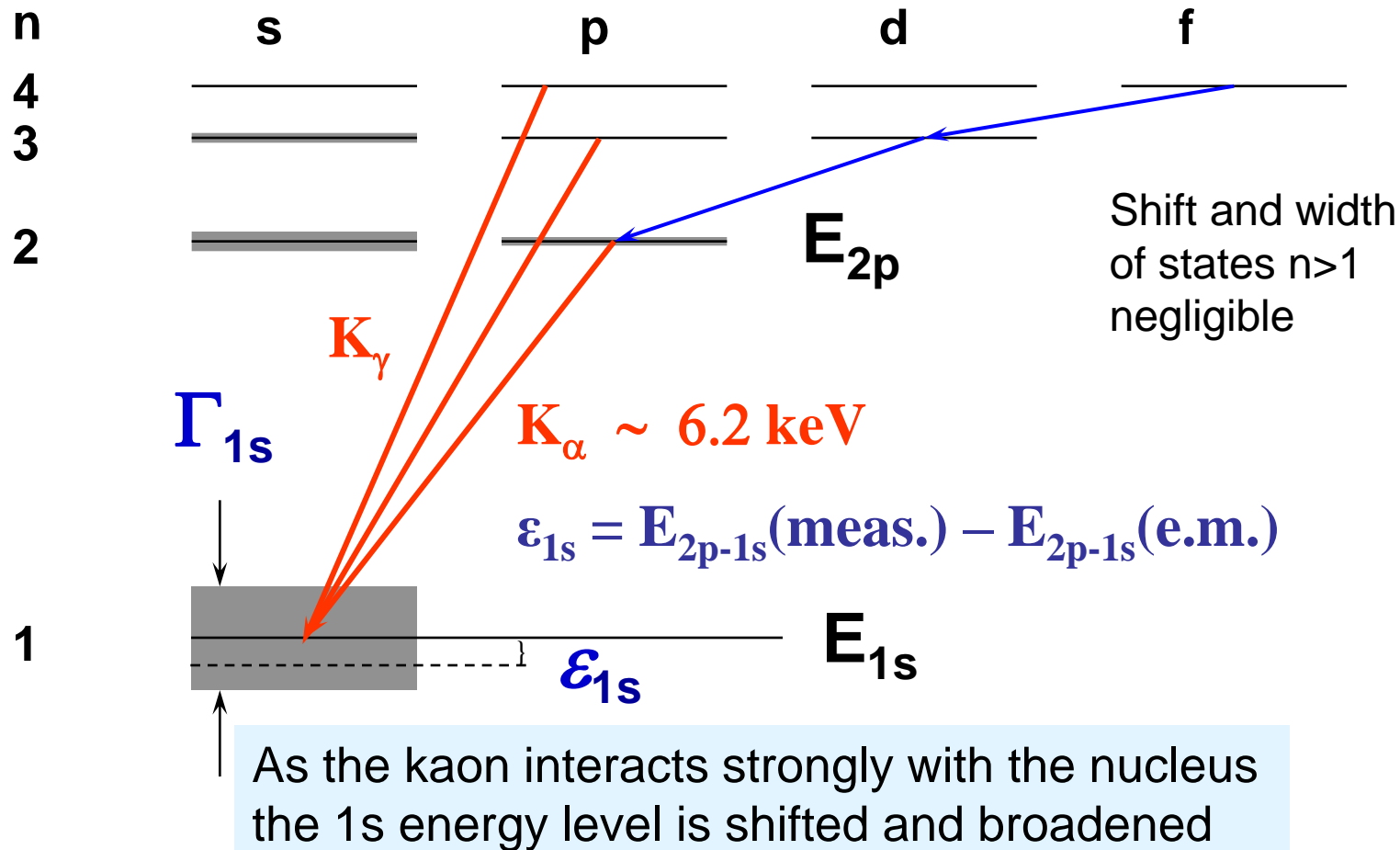
k energy vs.
position at
entering target
(after passing the
shaped degrader)



degrader optimization needs experimental fine tune $\pm 100 \mu\text{m}$: **material budget** and **dafne tune** known with limited accuracy.

Kaonic hydrogen: formation, level transitions

Negative kaons stopped in $H_2 \rightarrow$ initial atomic capture ($n \sim 25$) \rightarrow electromagnetic cascade \rightarrow X-ray transitions



Note: radiationless transitions: $KH(n,l) + H \rightarrow KH(n',l') + H + E_{\text{kin}}$

Doppler broadening is a correction in the πH case where the width $\sim 1 \text{ eV}$, in KH width = 300-500 eV