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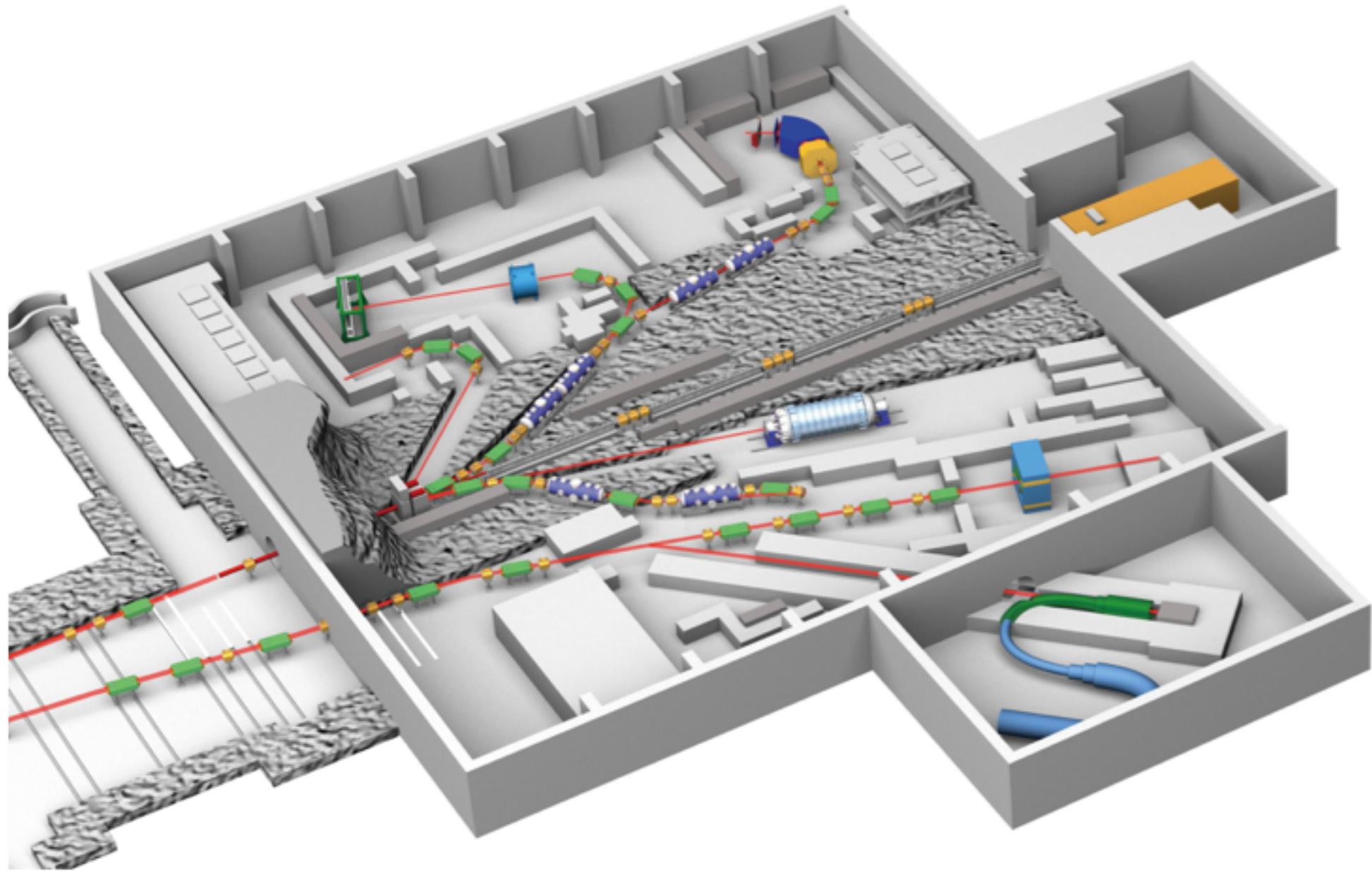


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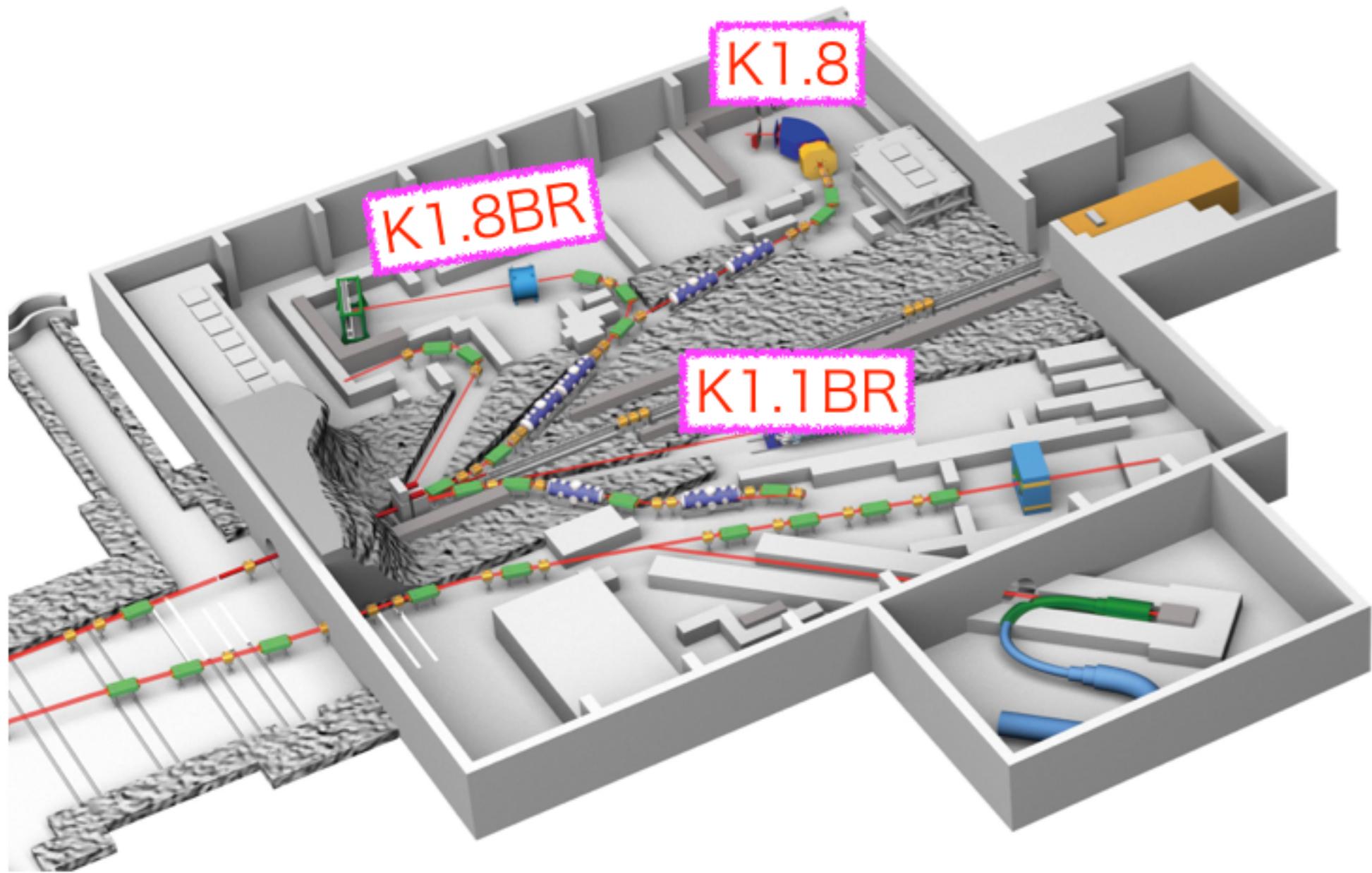
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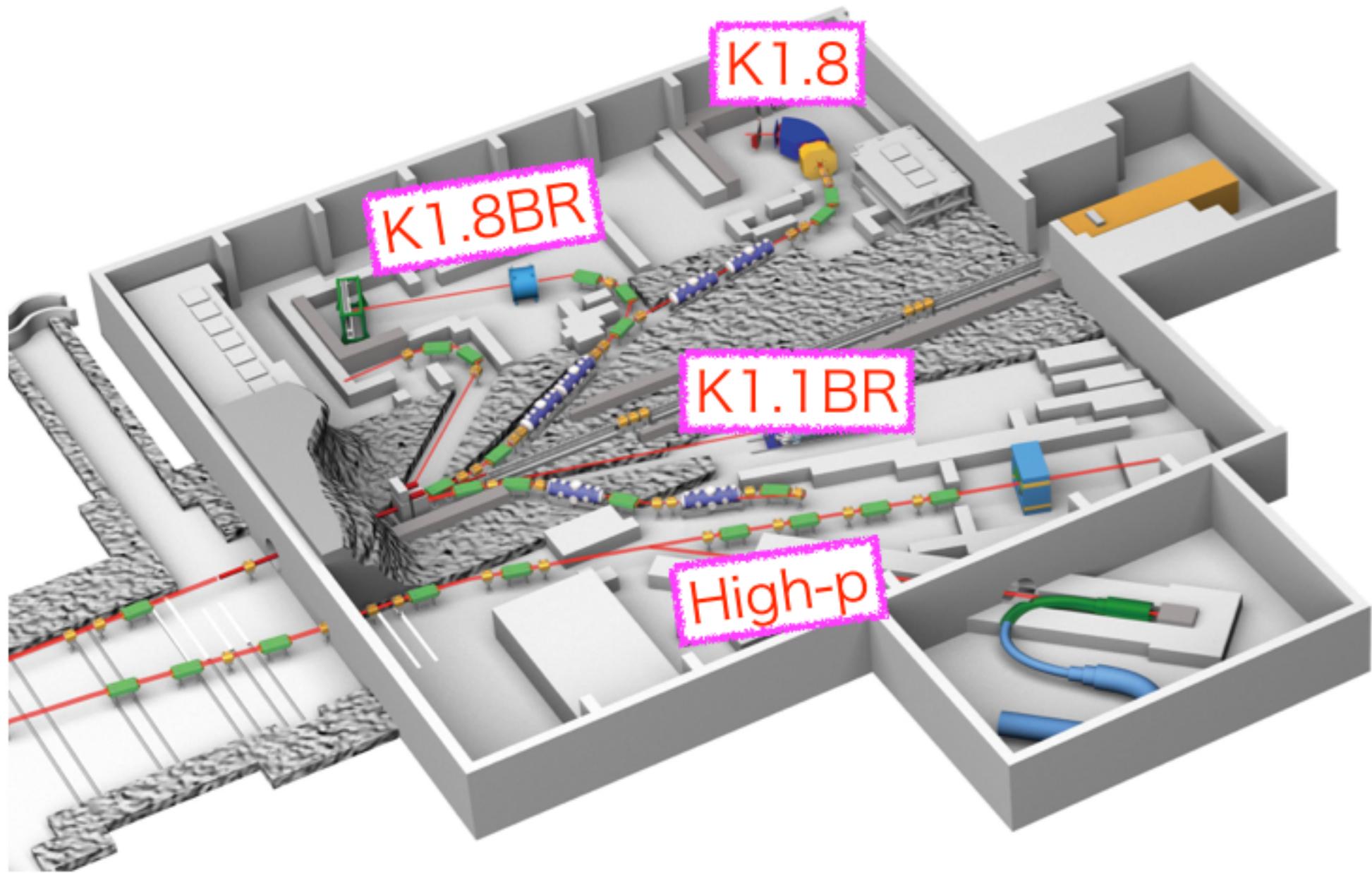
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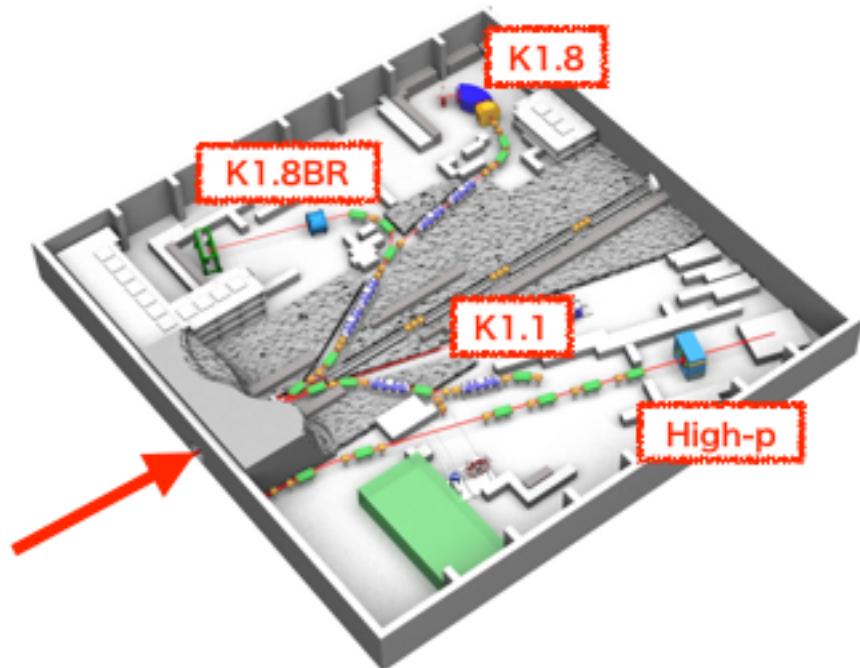


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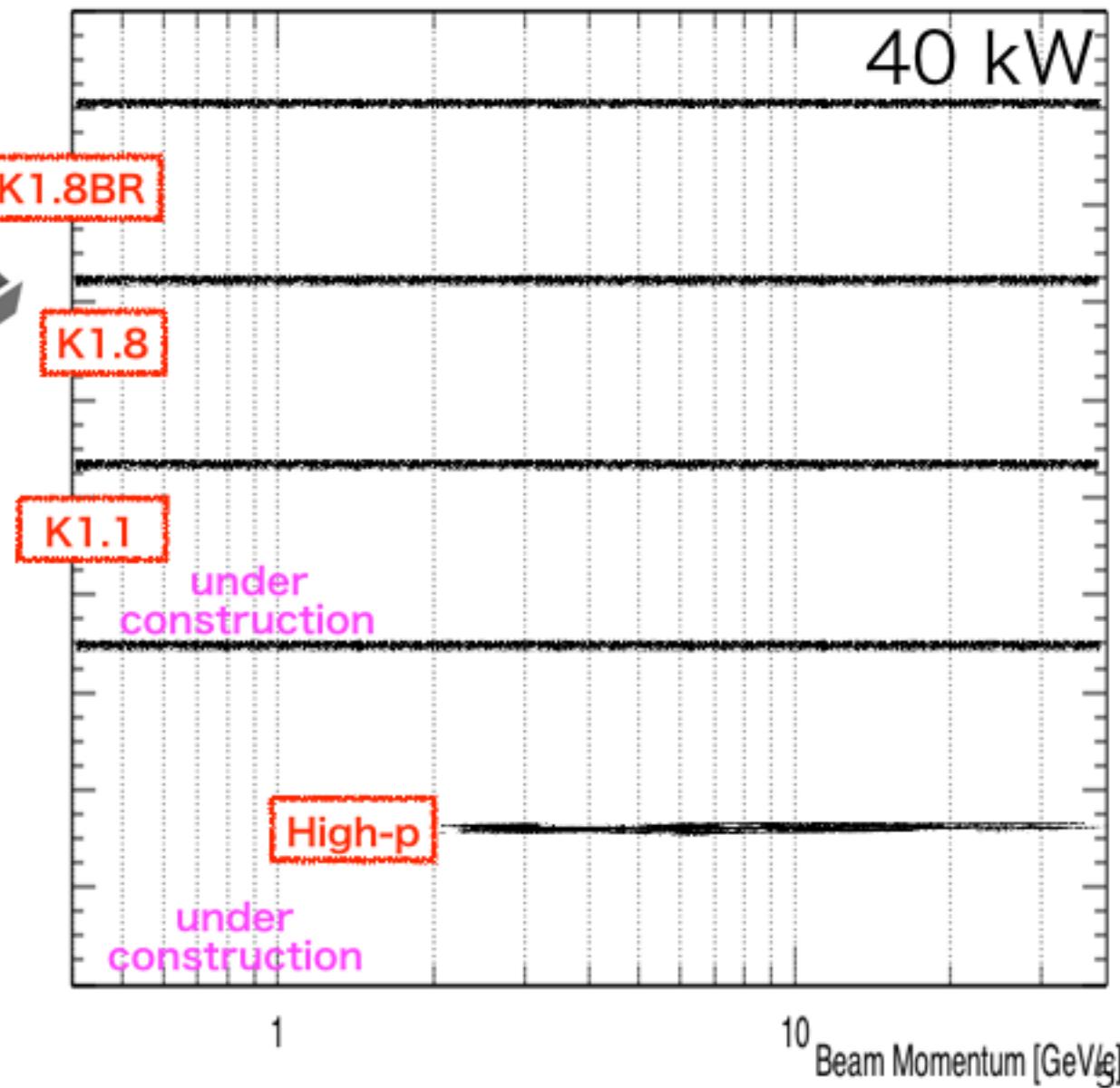
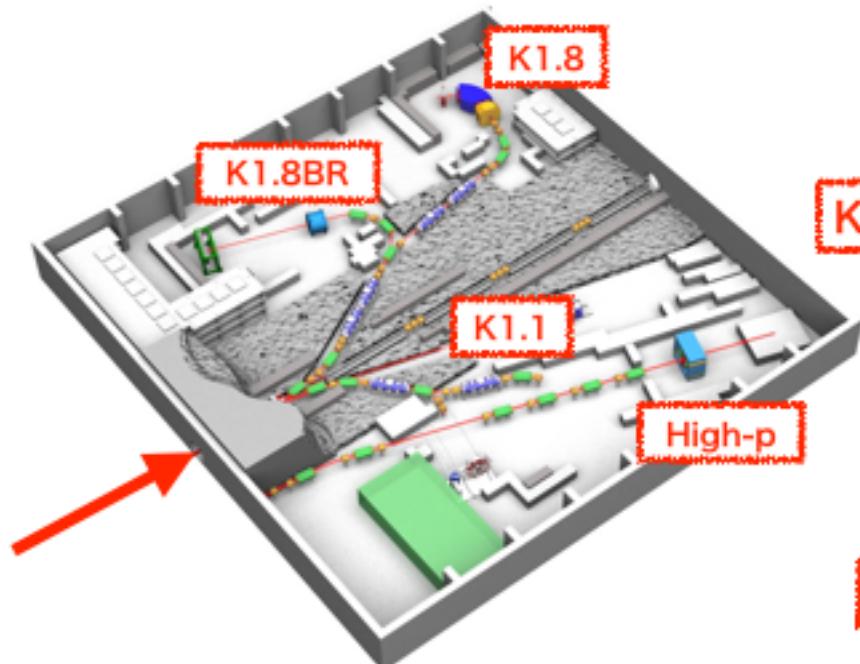
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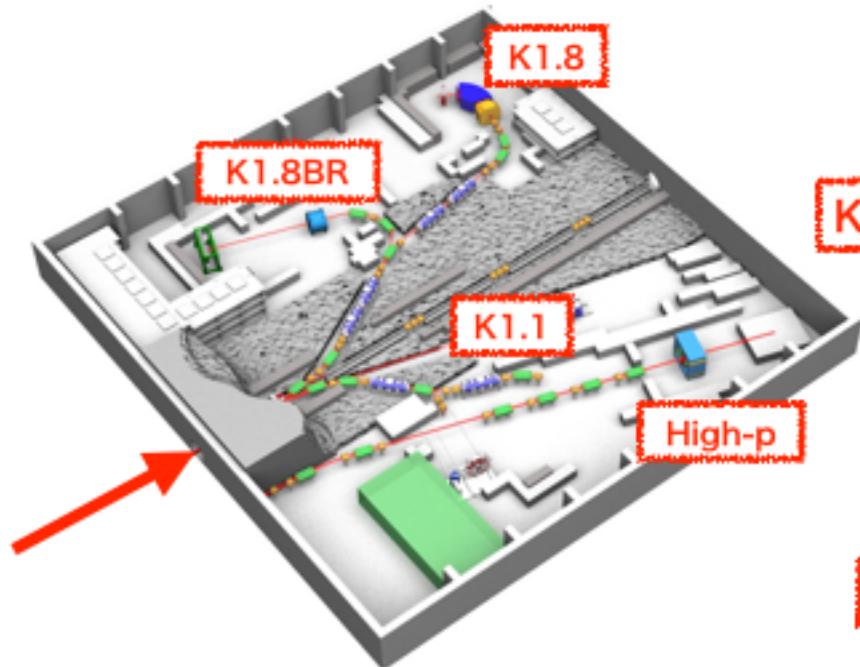
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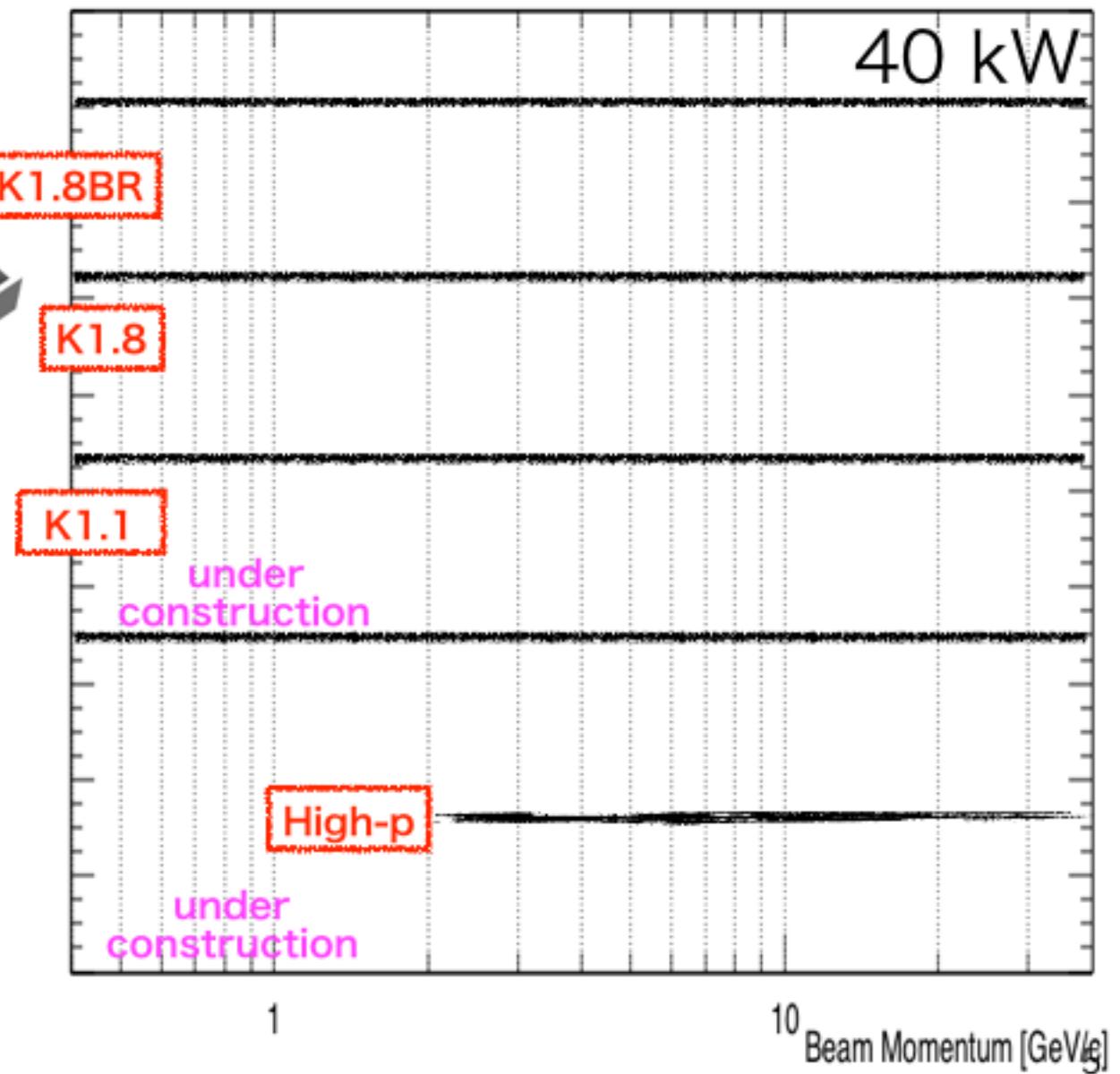
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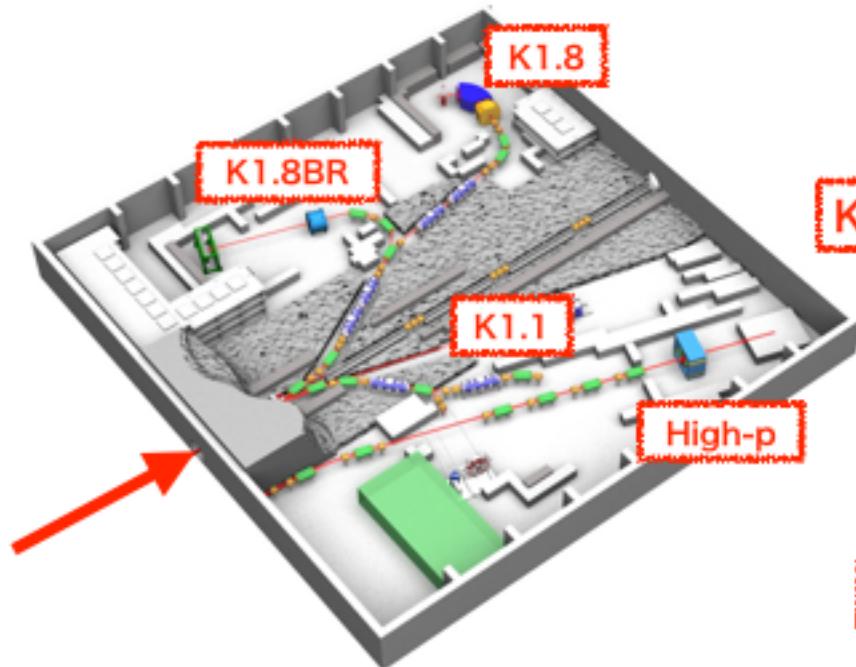
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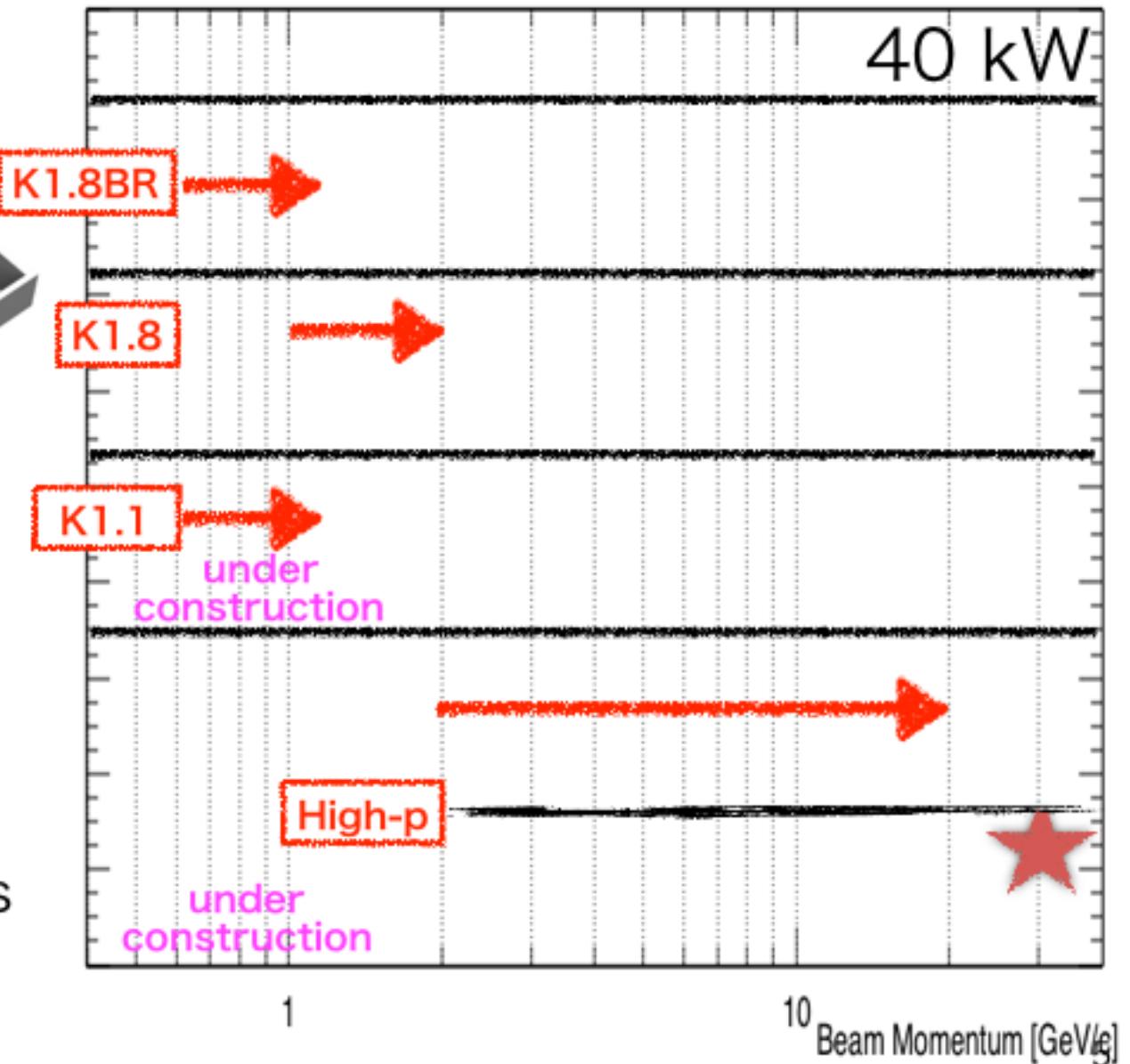
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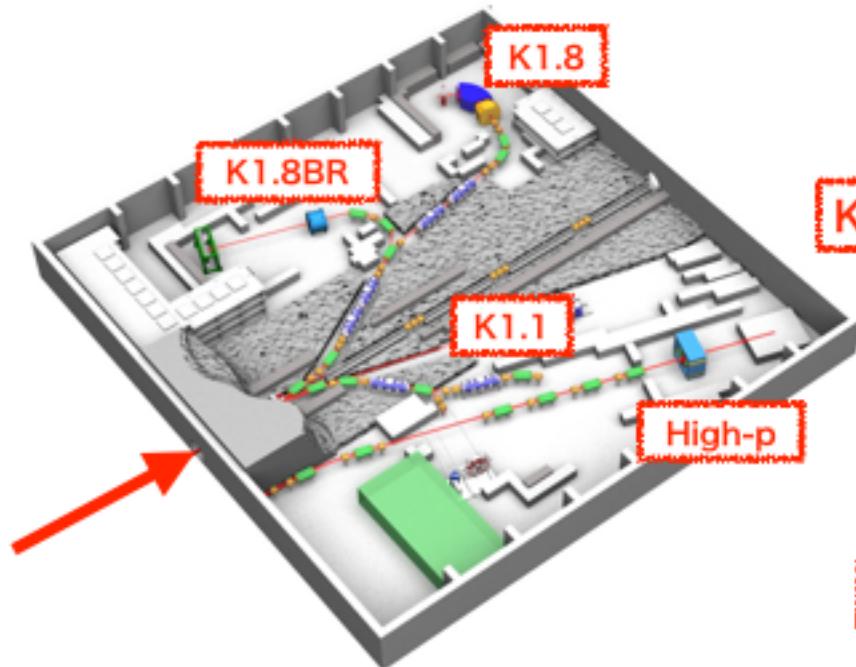
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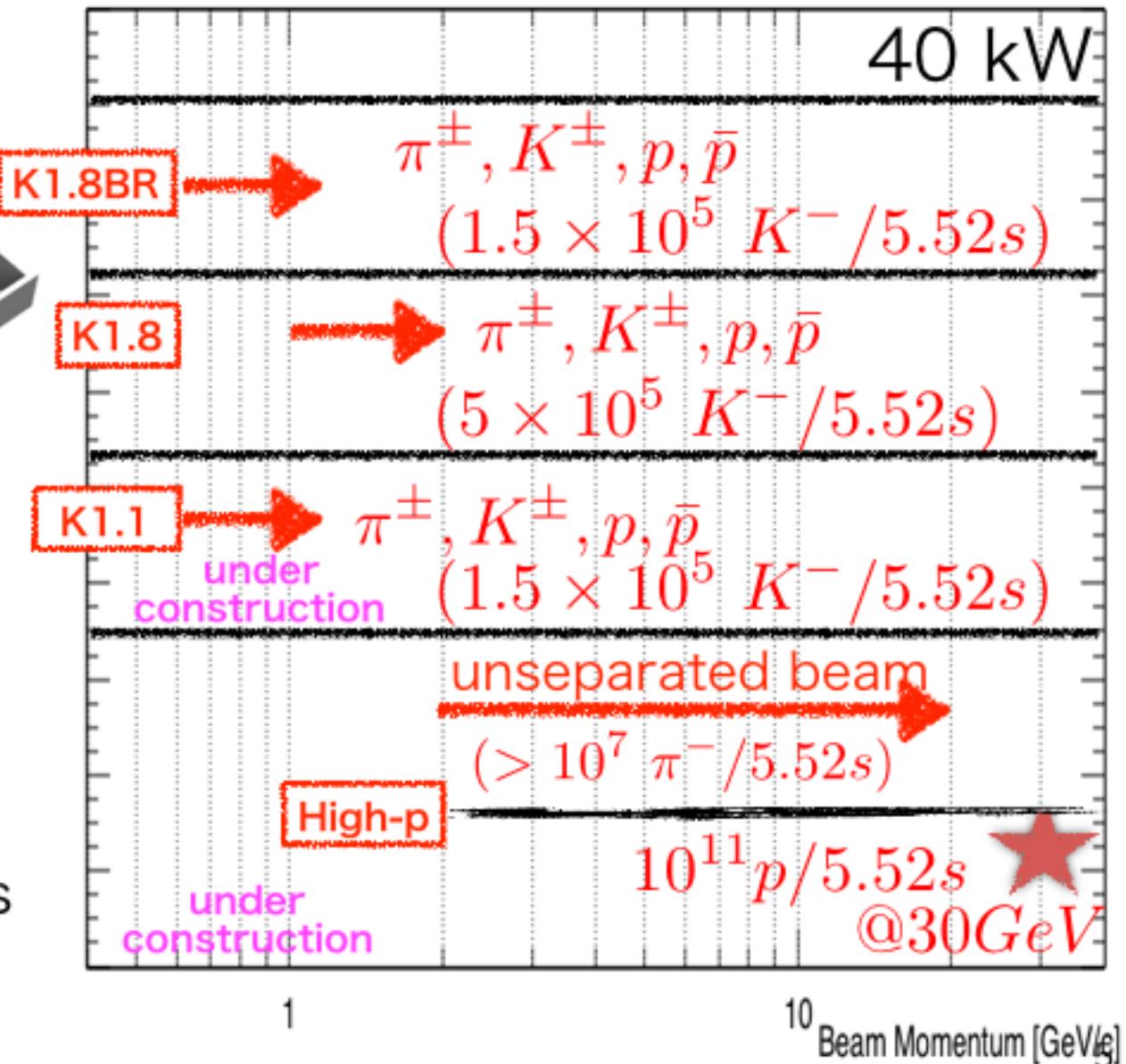
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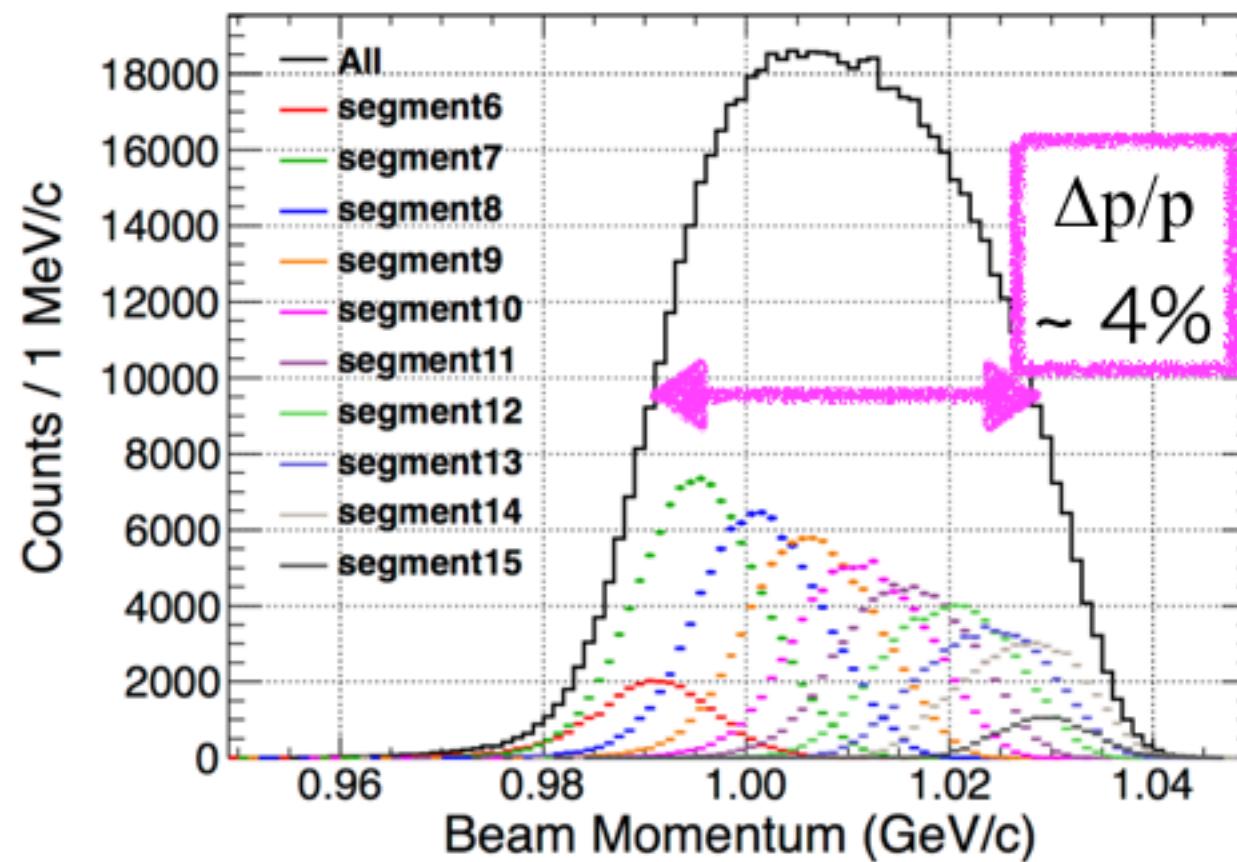
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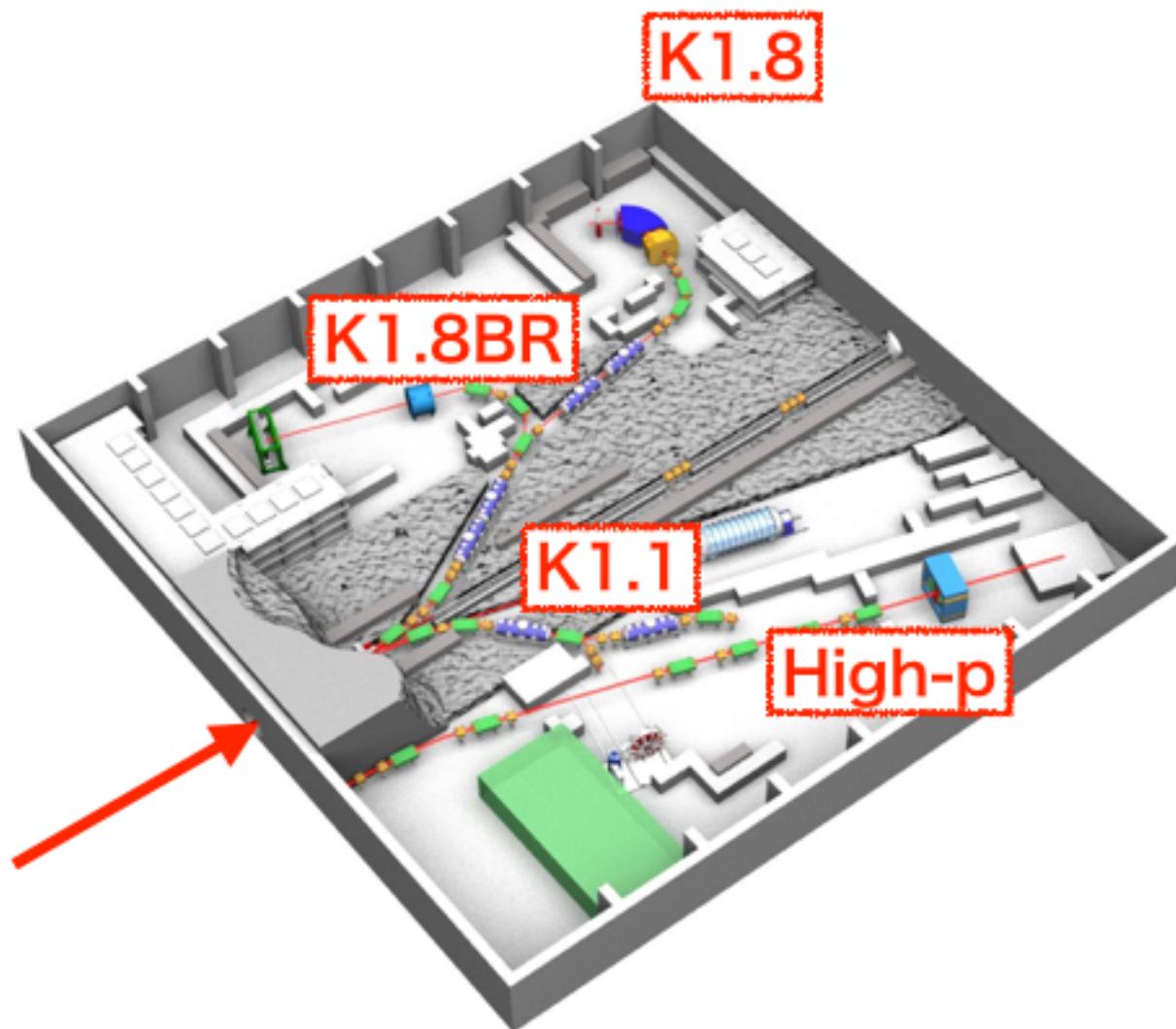
For example:@K1.8BR

spectrometer setting : 1 GeV/c



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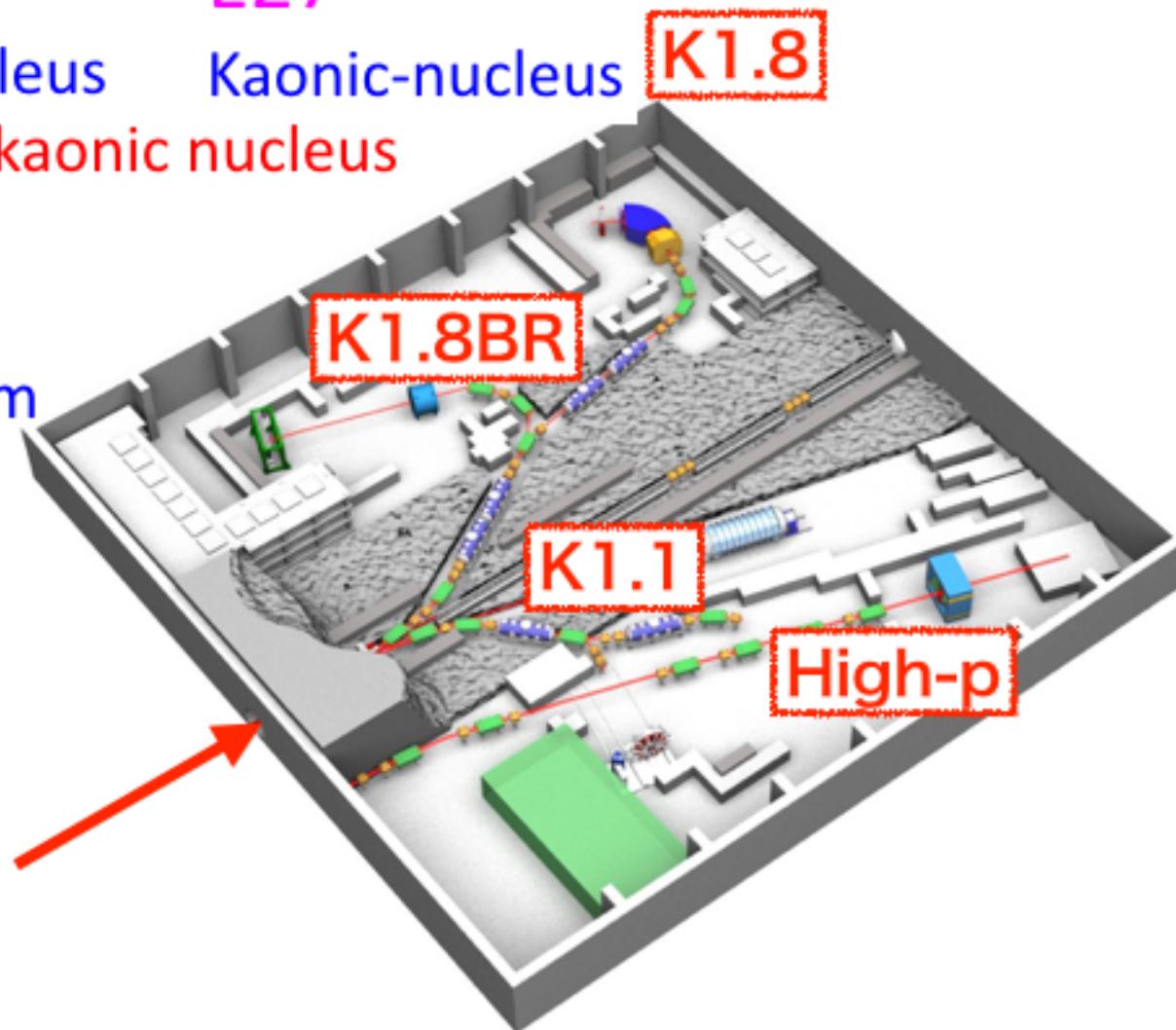
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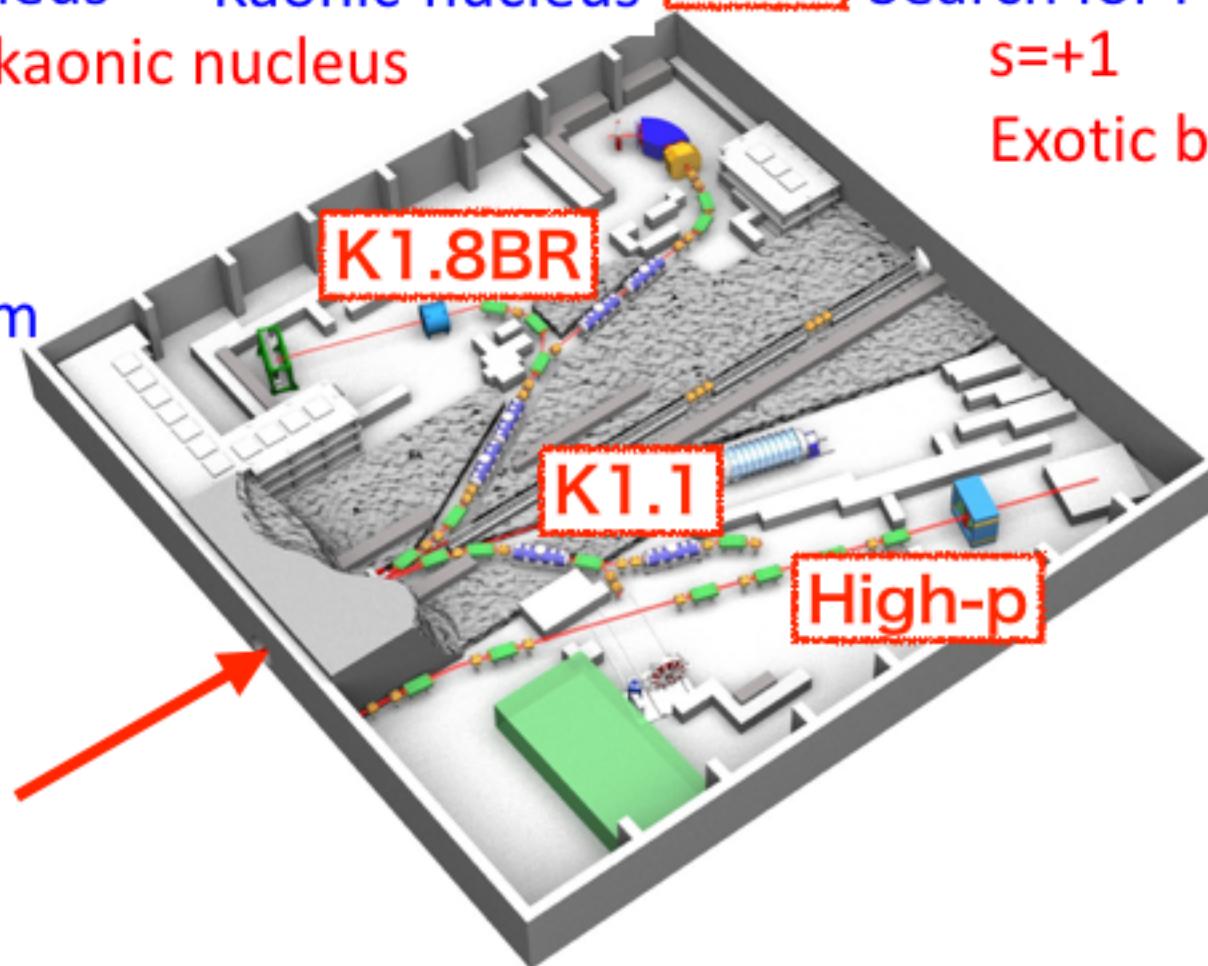
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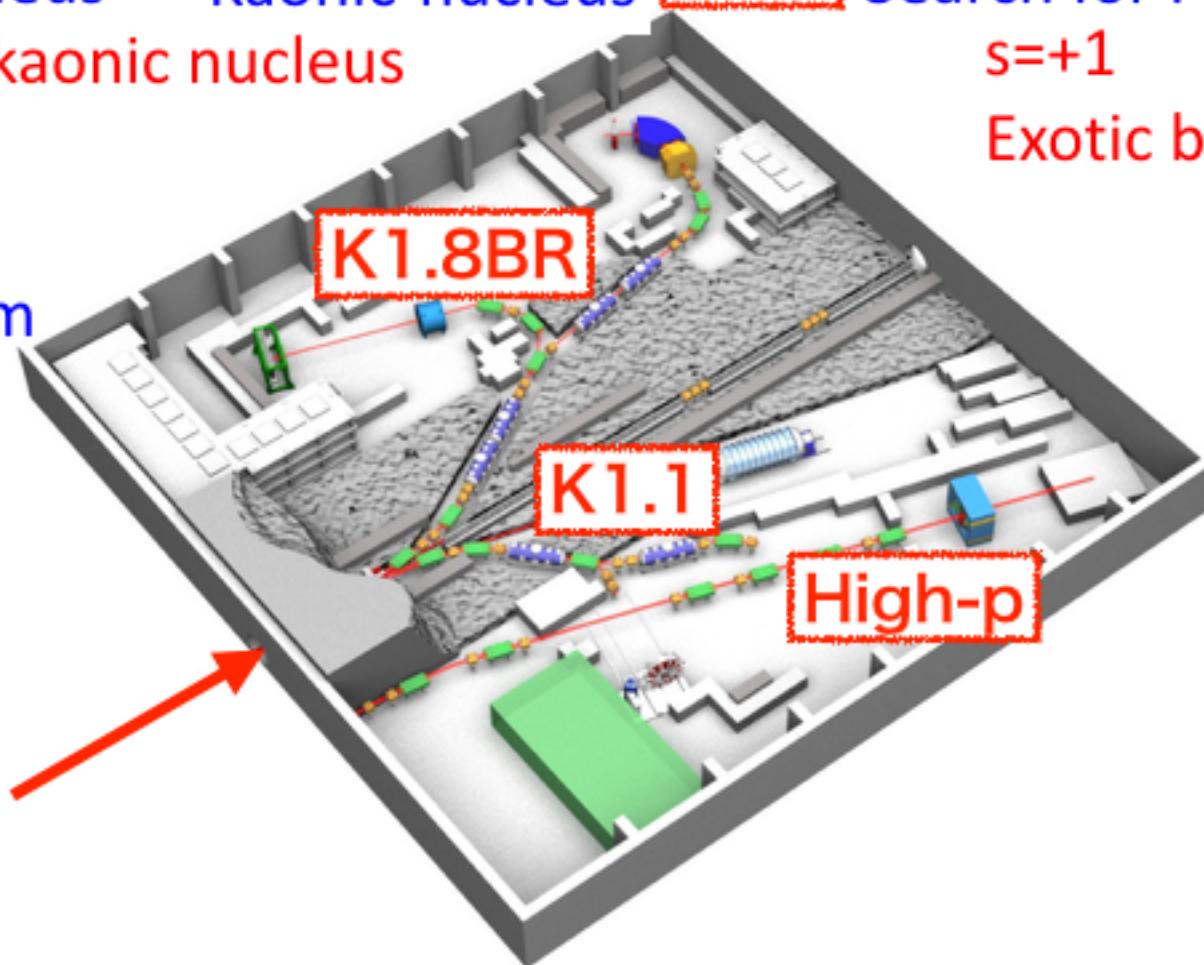
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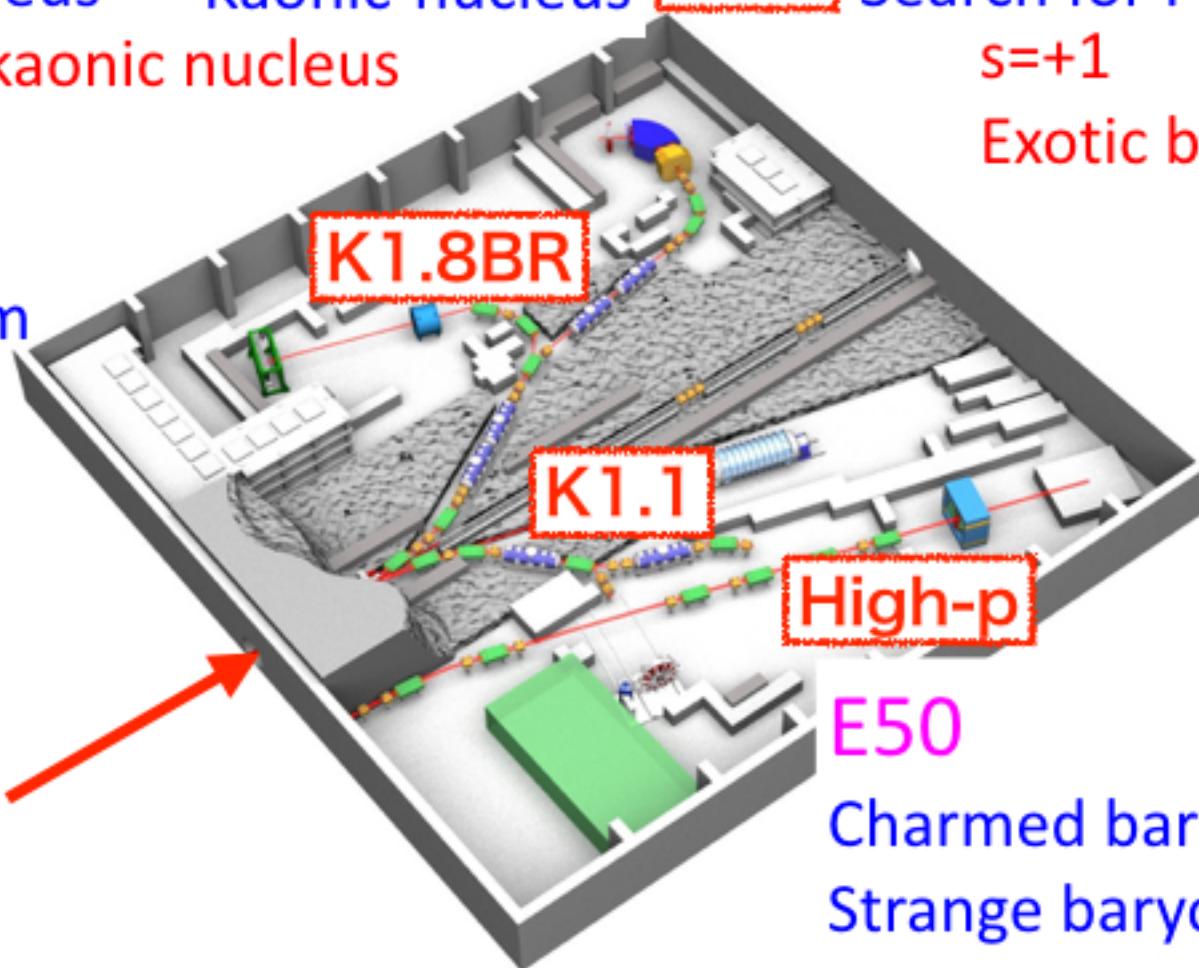
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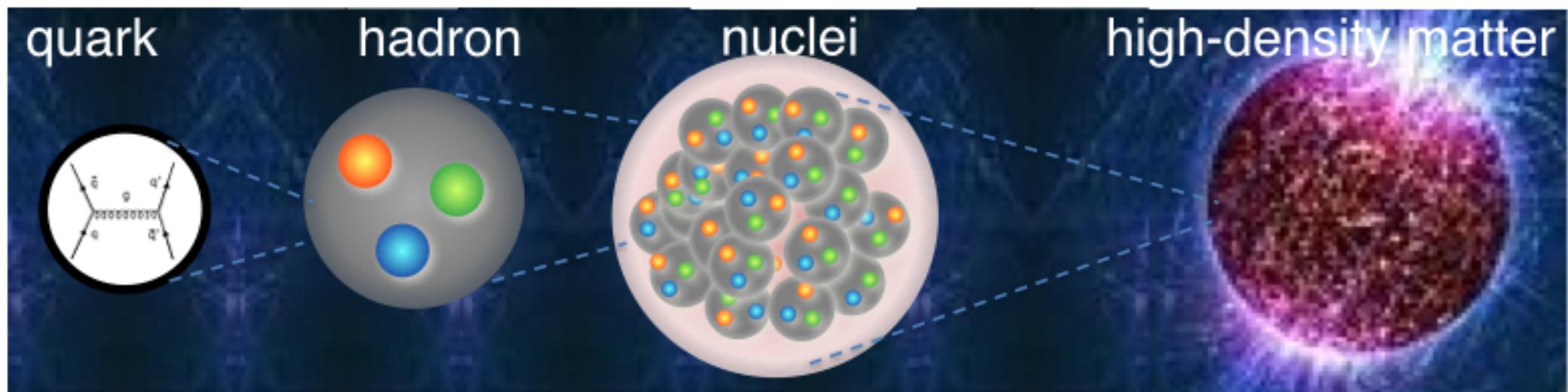
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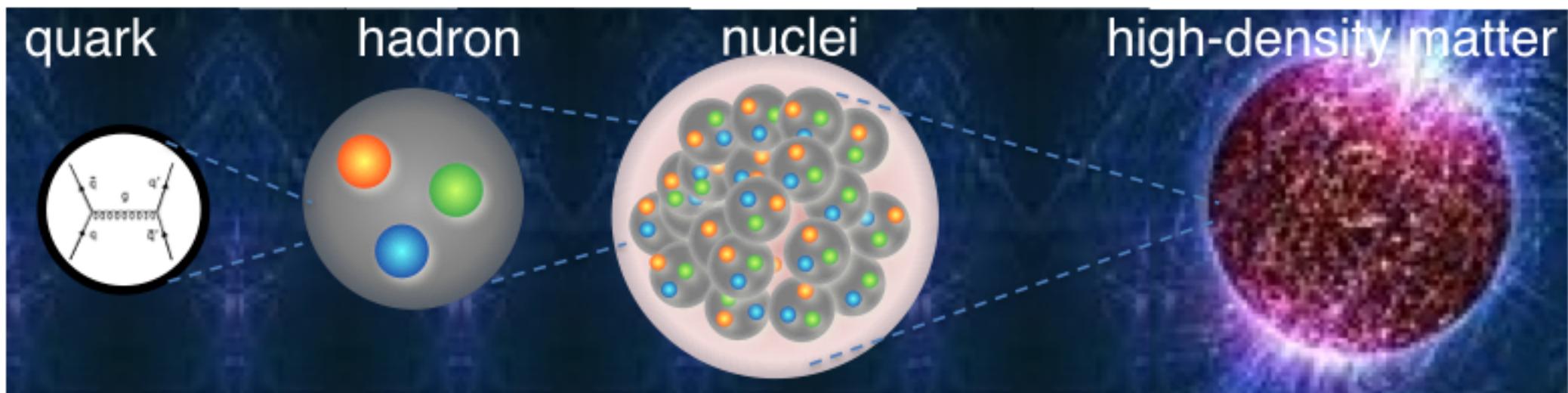


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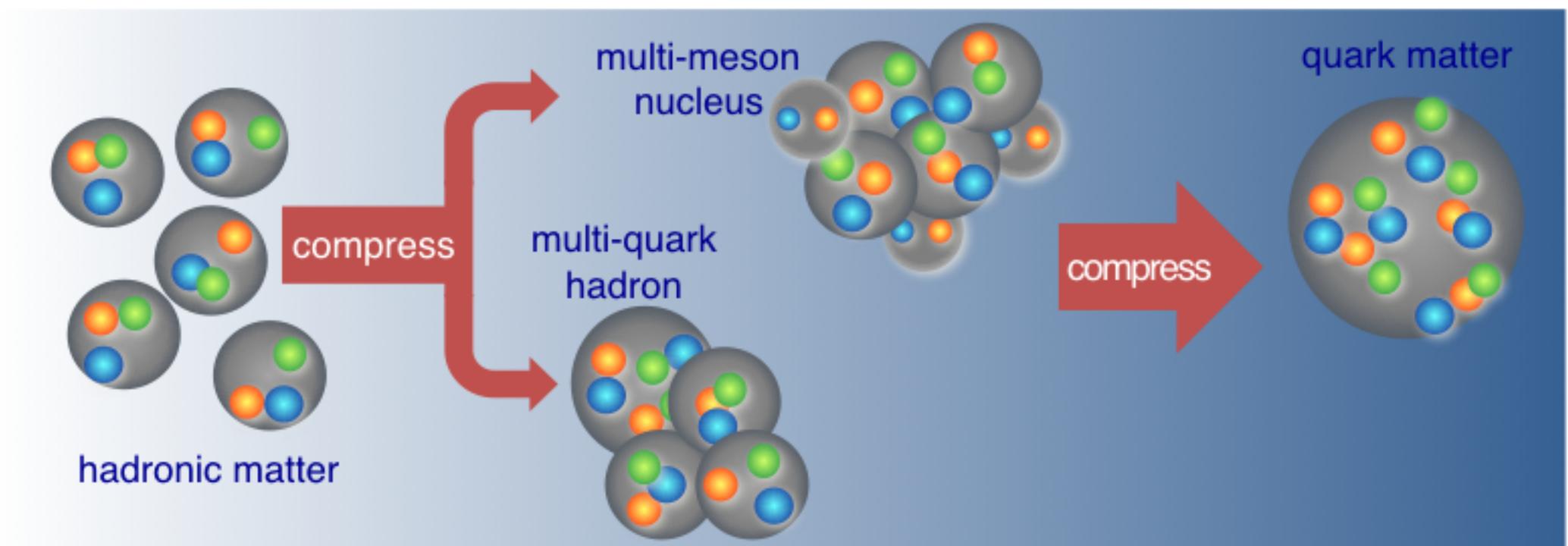
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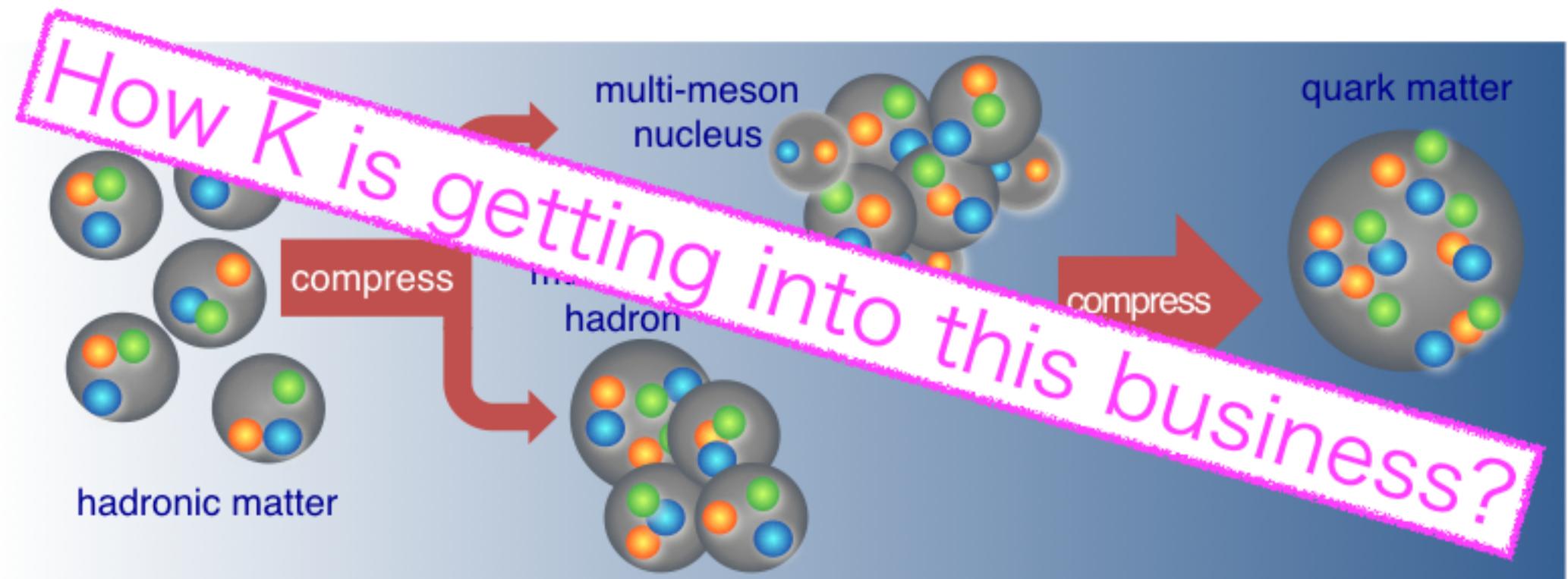


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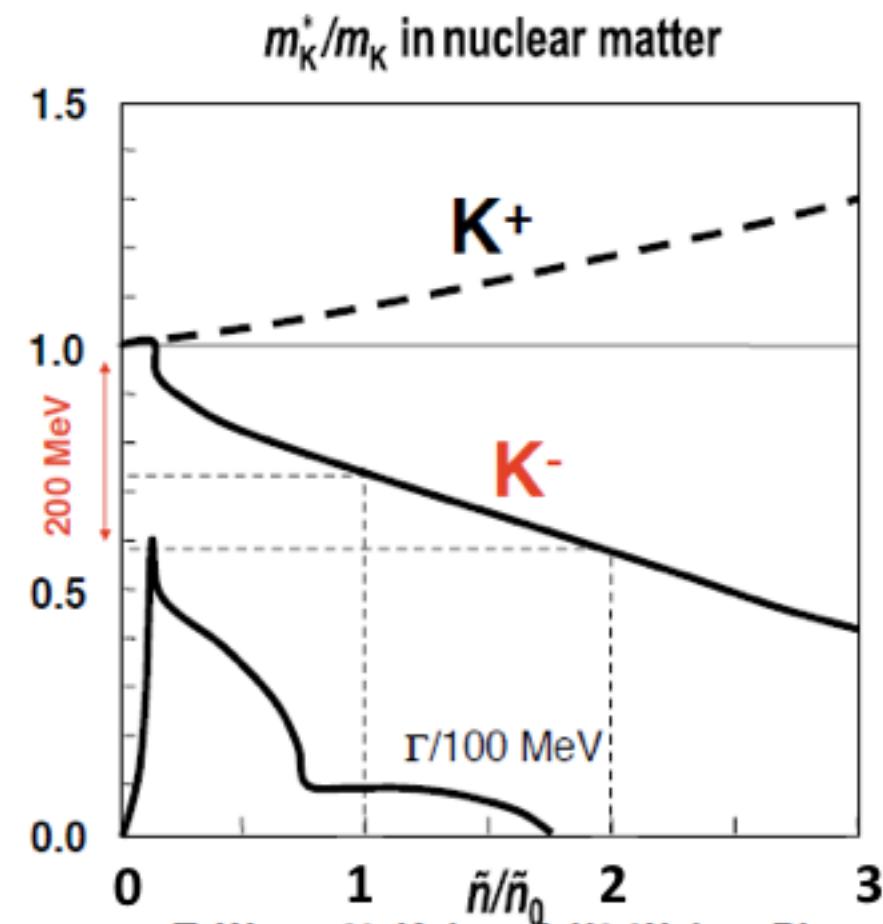
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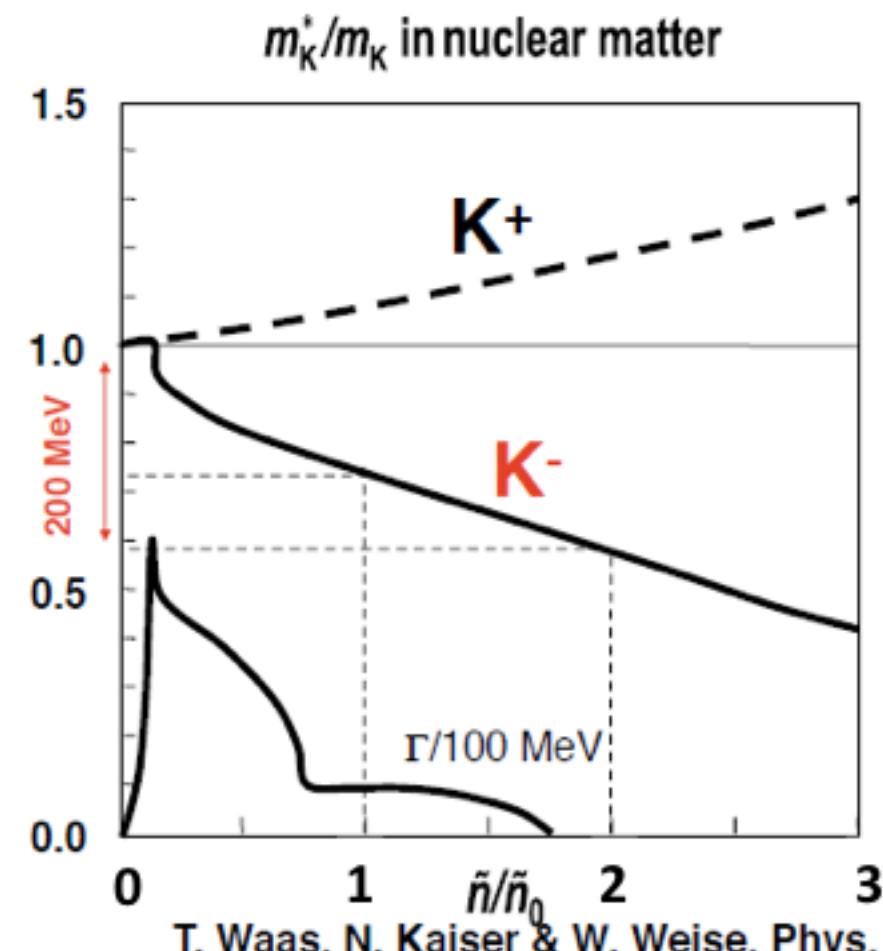
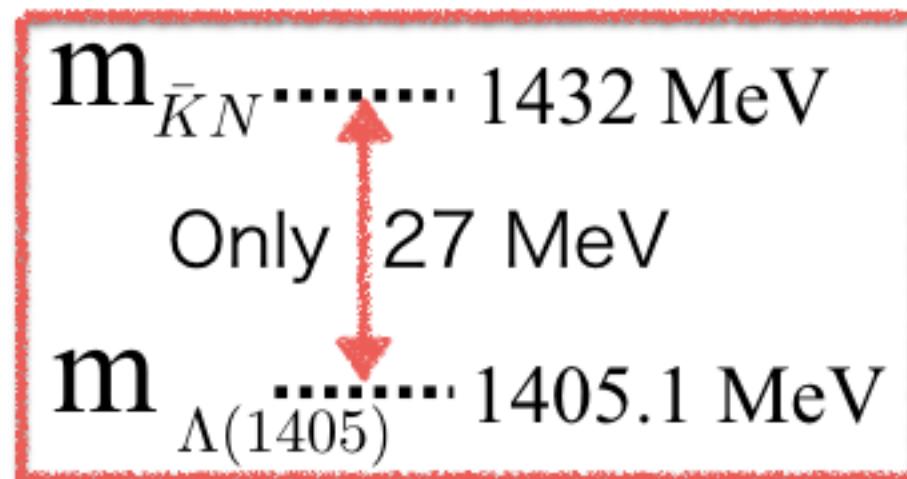
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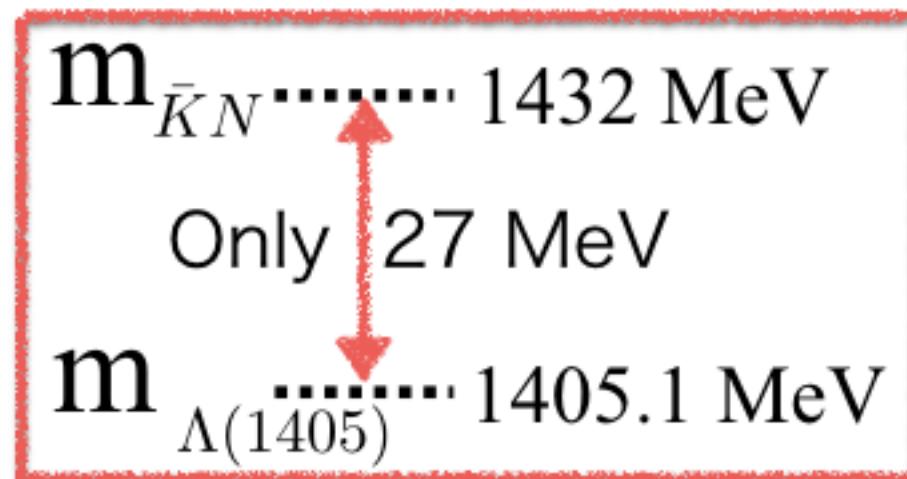
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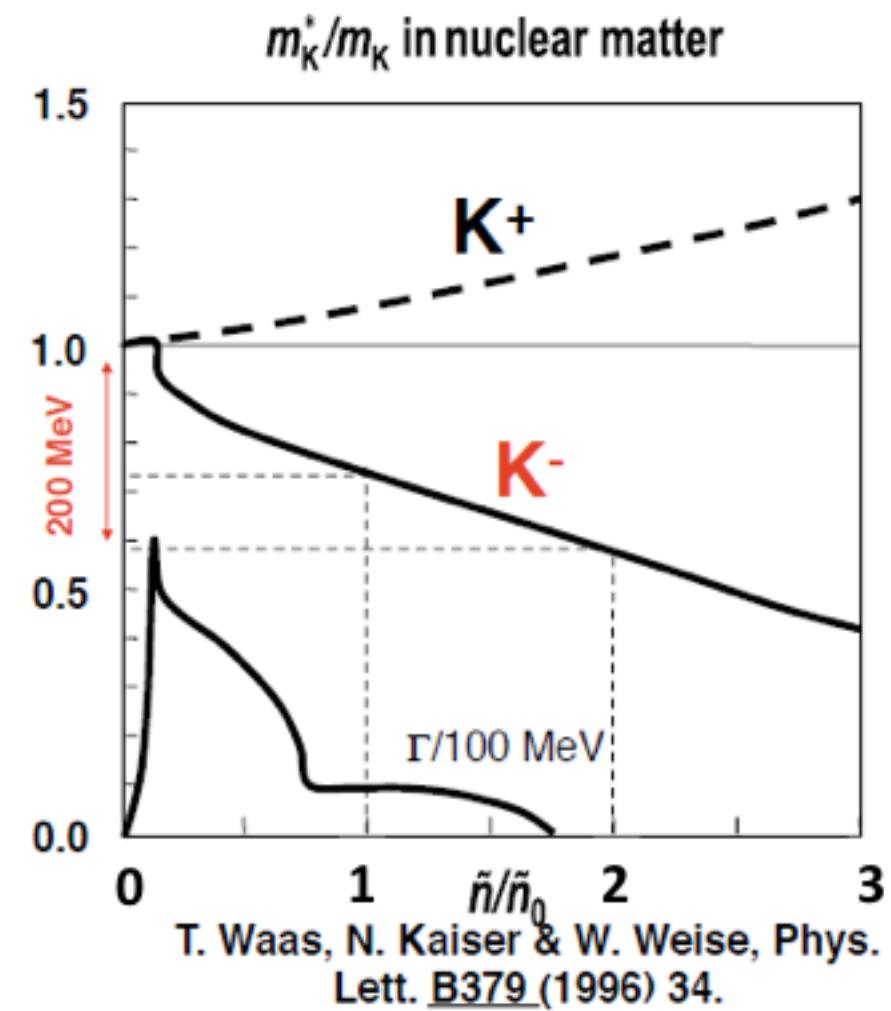


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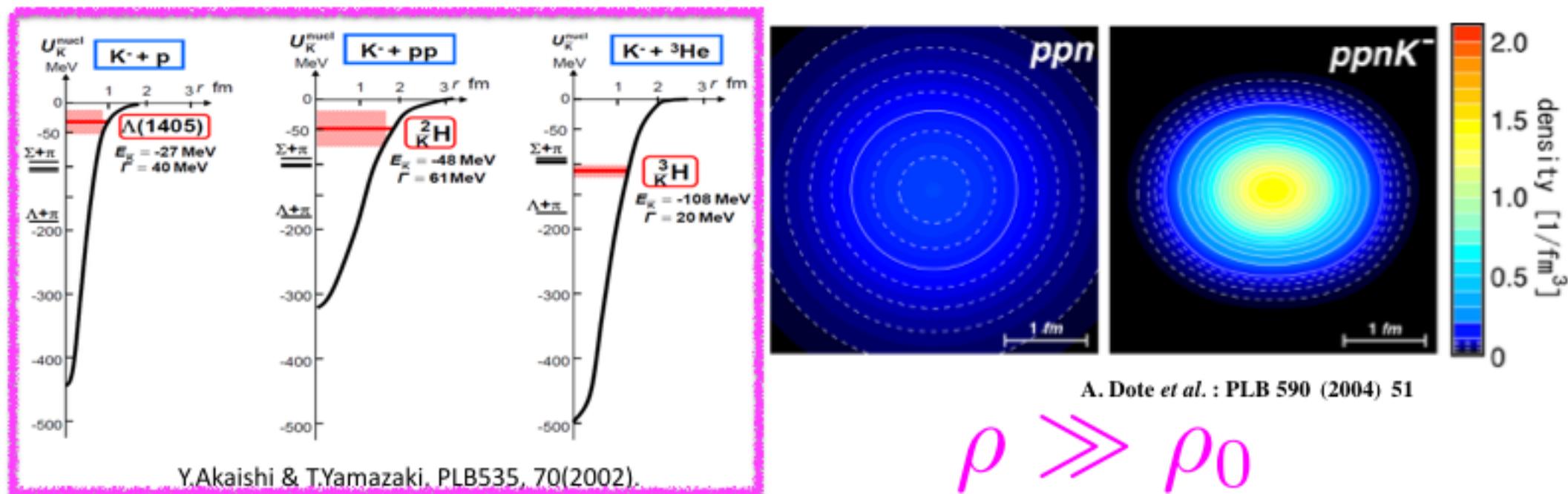


$\Lambda(1405)$  : Bound state of  $\bar{K}N$  ?



# What will happen if $\bar{K}$ placed in nucleus?

- If attraction btw  $\bar{K}N$  is strong enough,  
Kaonic nuclear bound state might be formed



- High density matter may realize inside nucleus,  
due to strong attraction btw  $\bar{K}N$

# Search for Kaonic nuclear cluster

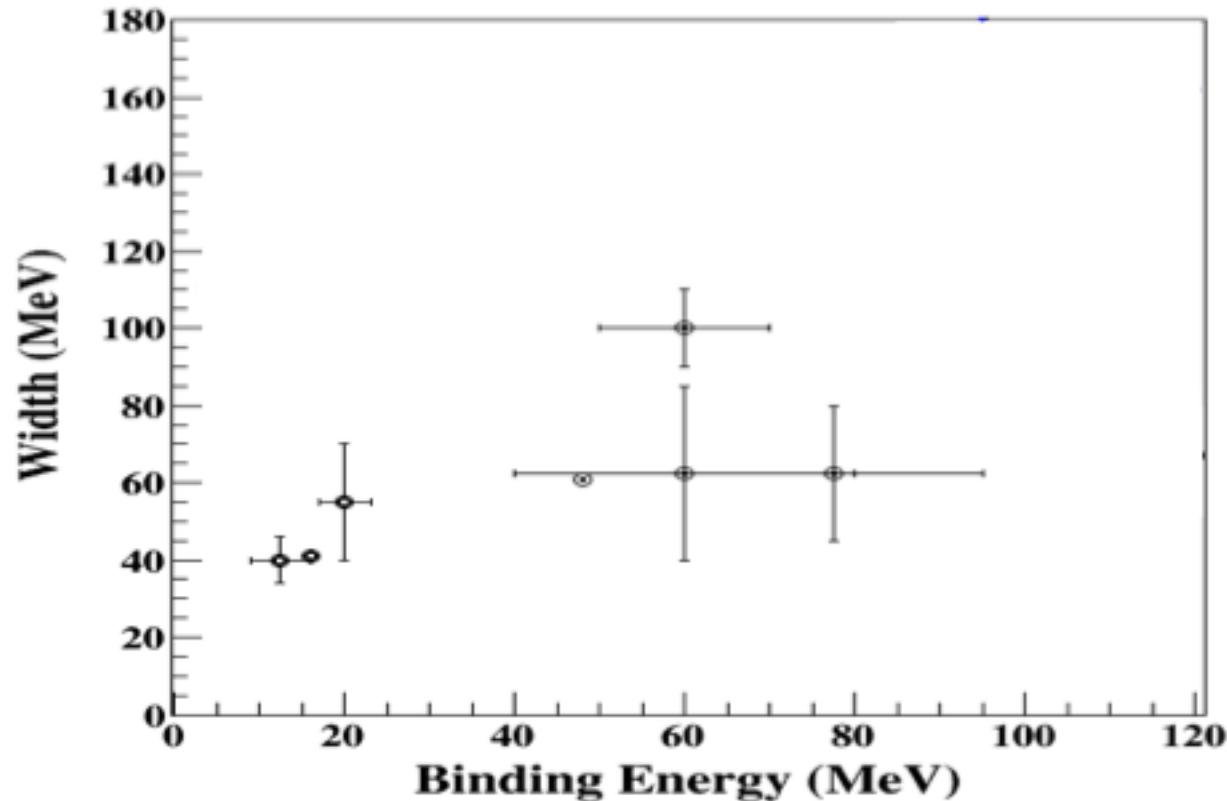
- We started from simplest Kaonic cluster,  
*i.e.*  $K^-pp$  ( one  $K^-$  with two protons )
- Several experimental challenges have been made various facilities
  - DAΦNE / FINUDA :  $K^-$  stopped on  $Li \rightarrow \Lambda p$
  - DISTO / Saclay :  $p+p \rightarrow K^+\Lambda p$  ( 2.85 GeV )
  - LEPS / SPring-8 :  $\gamma+d \rightarrow K^+\pi^-X$
  - E27, E15 / J-PARC :  $d(\pi^+, K^+) X \mid 3He(K^-, n)\Lambda p$
  - HADES / GSI :  $p+p \rightarrow K^+\Lambda p$  ( 3.5 GeV )

# Theoretical Calculations on $\bar{K}NN$

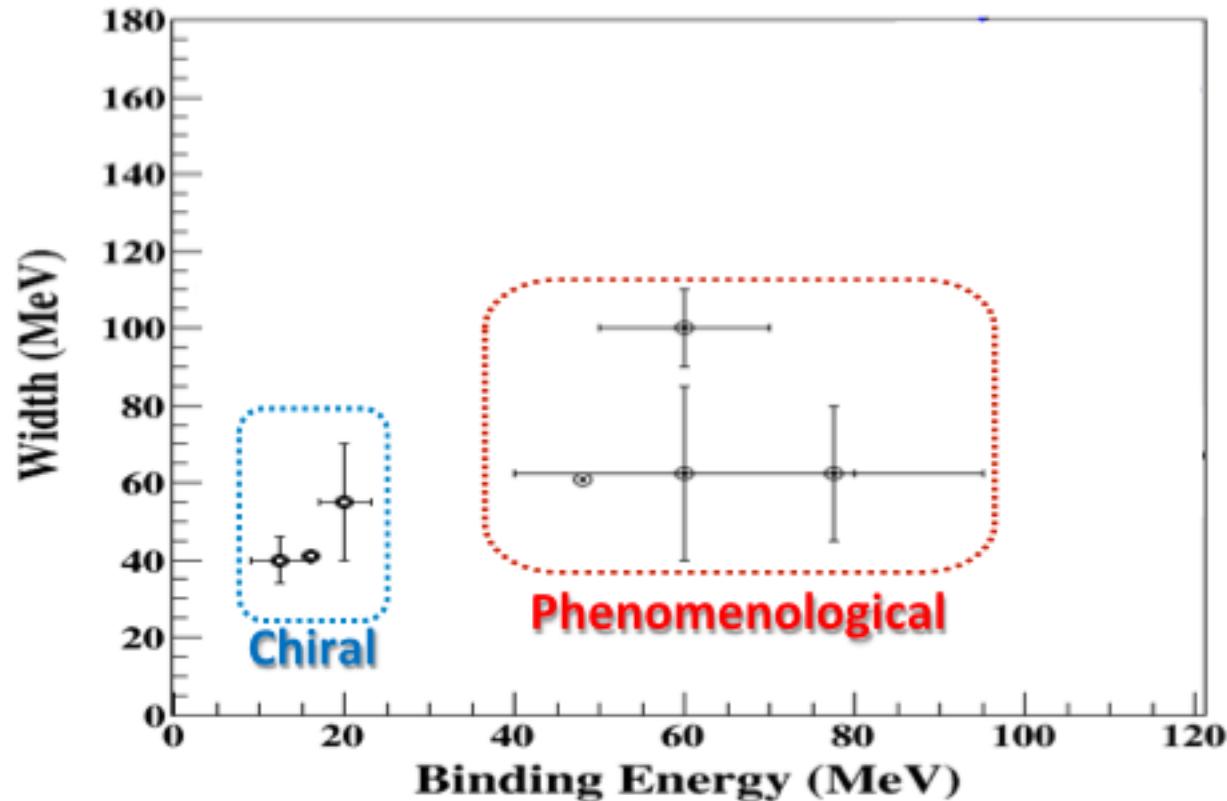
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B (MeV)	16	17-23	9-16	48	40-80	50-70	60-95
$\Gamma$ (MeV)	41	40-70	34-46	61	40-85	90-110	45-80

- **$K^{\bar{b}ar}N$  interaction model:**
  - Chiral SU(3) [energy dependent] → **B.E.  $\sim 20$  MeV**
  - Phenomenological [energy independent] → **B.E.  $\sim 40-70$  MeV**
- **Calculation method:**
  - Almost the same results = depending on  $K^{\bar{b}ar}N$  interaction 12

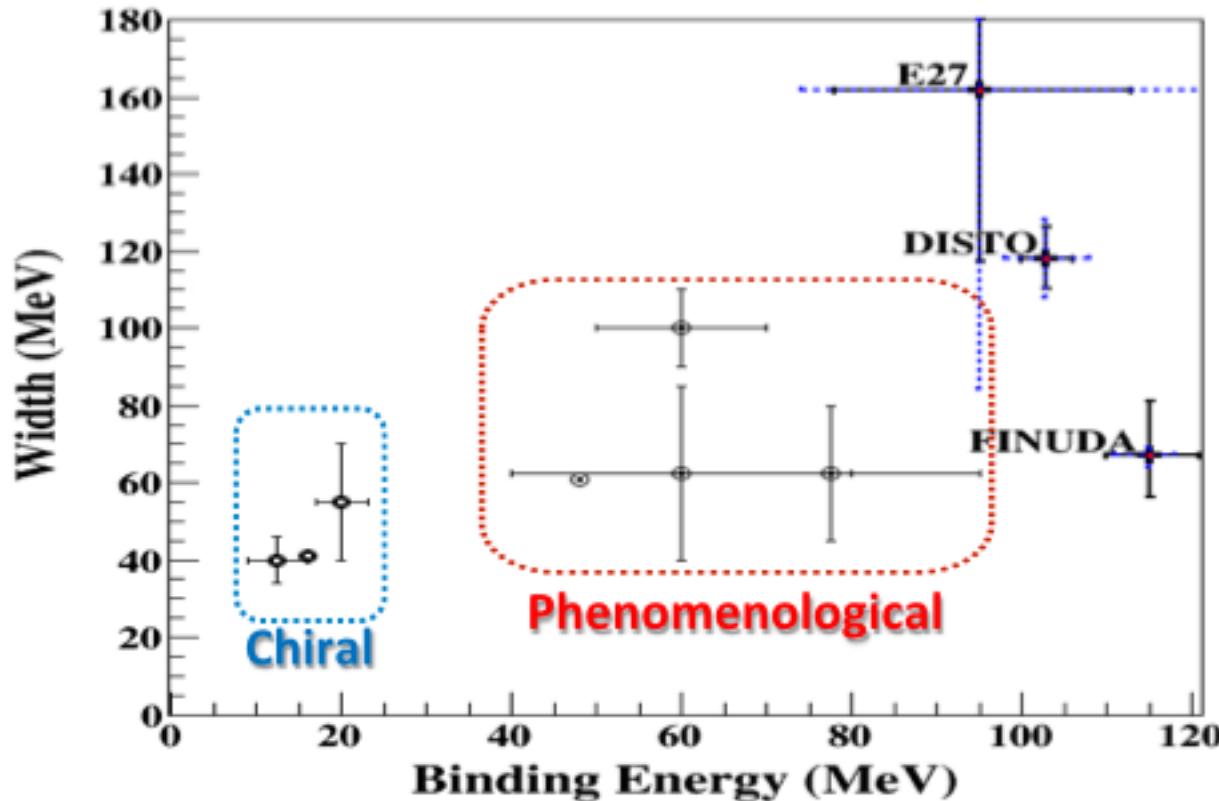
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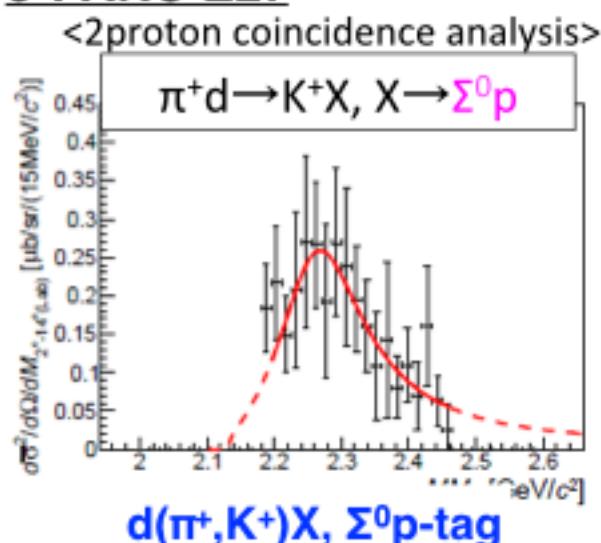
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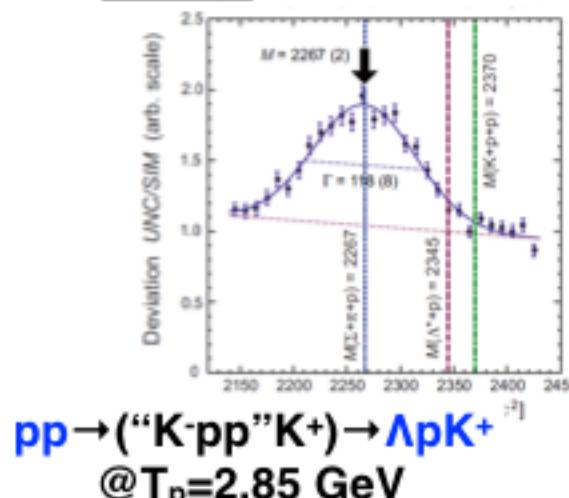
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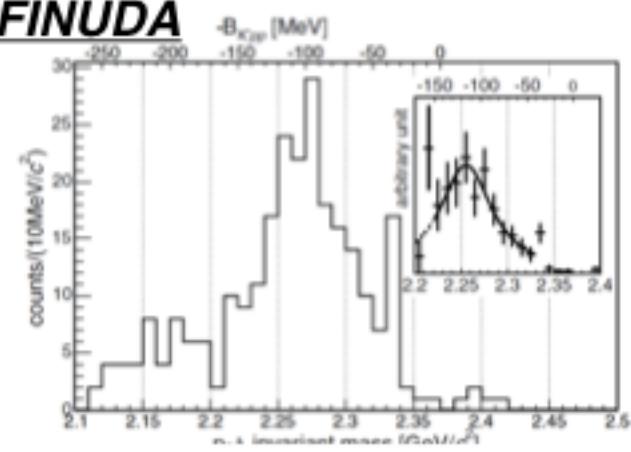
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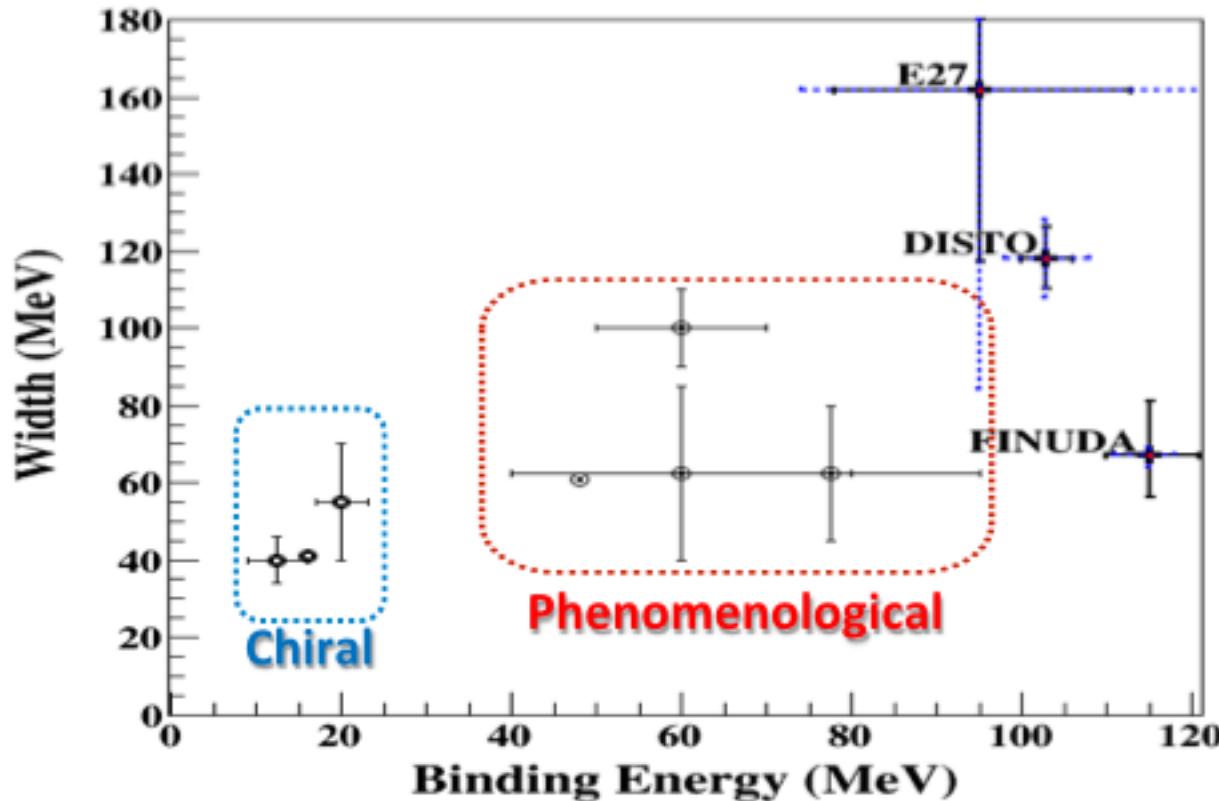
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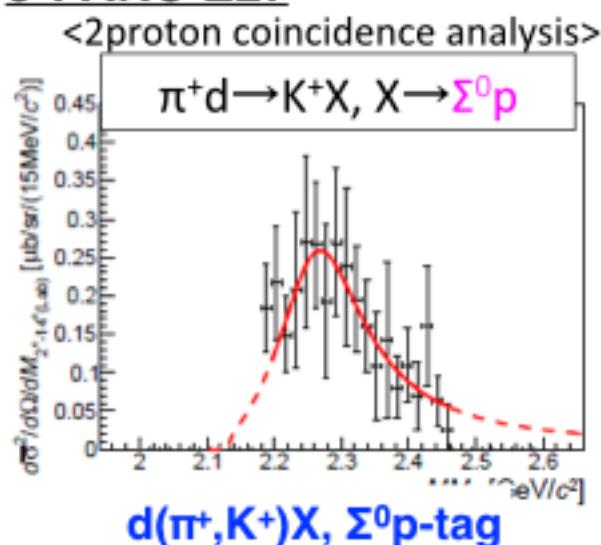
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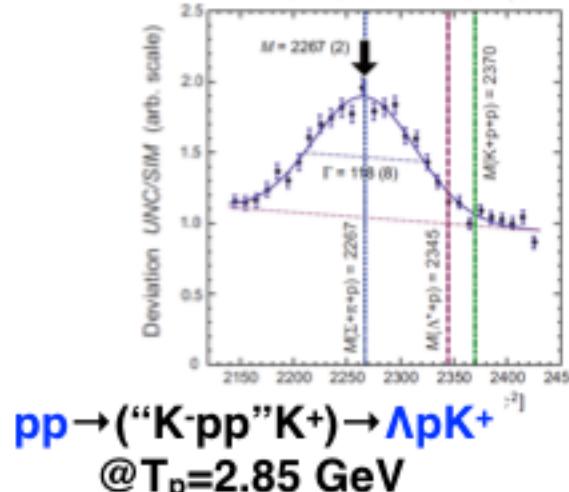
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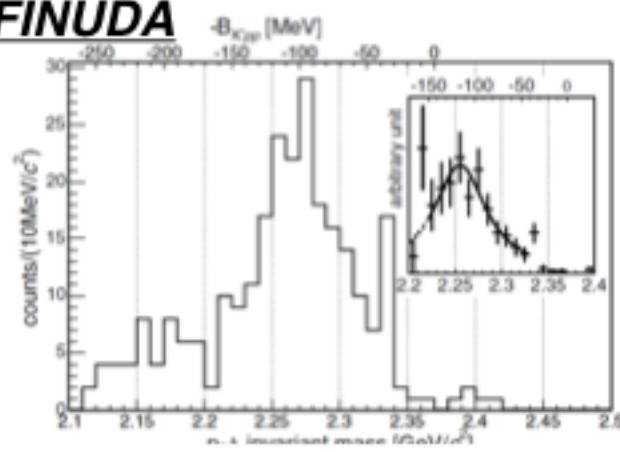
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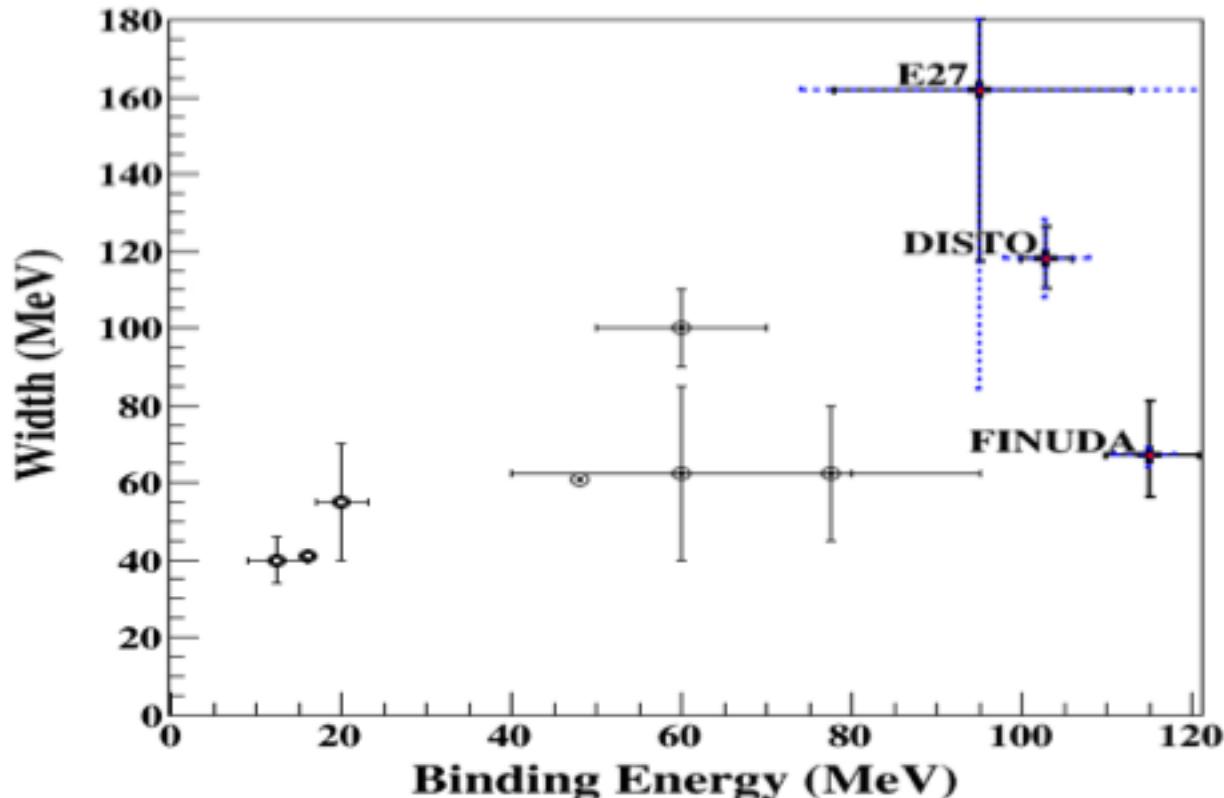
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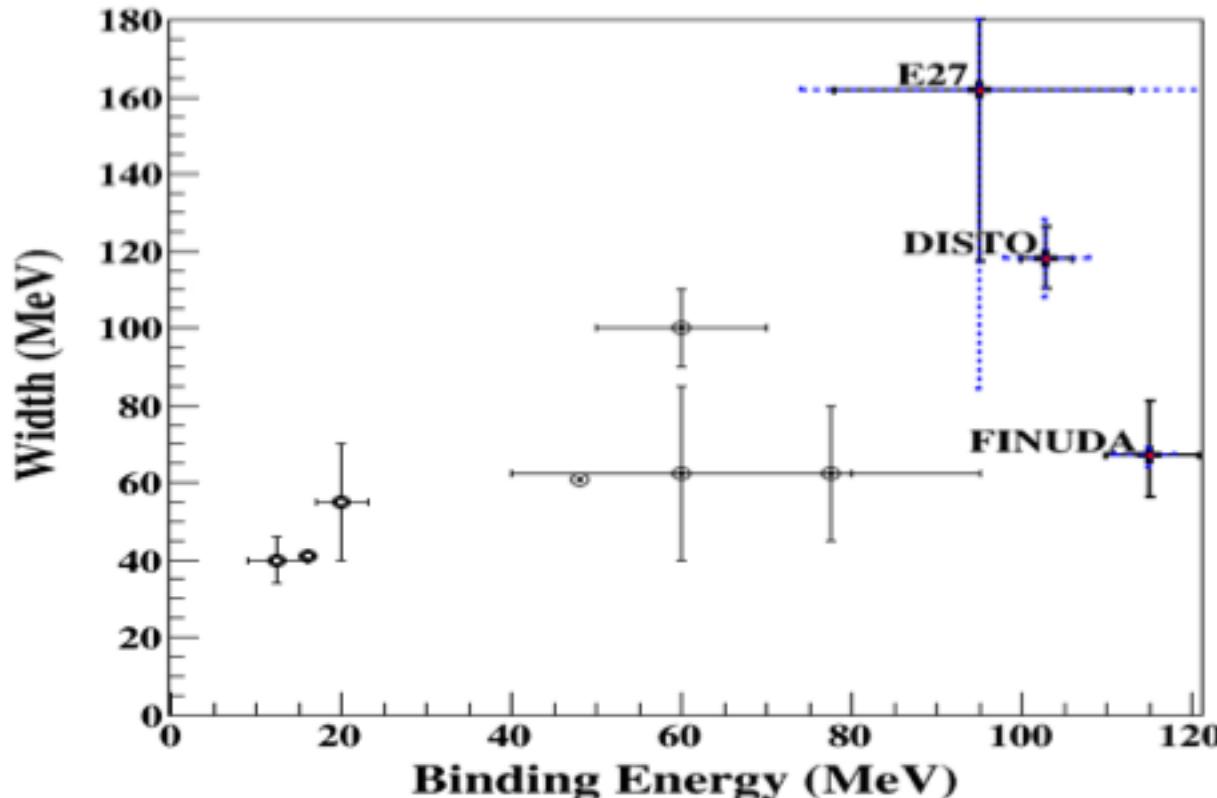
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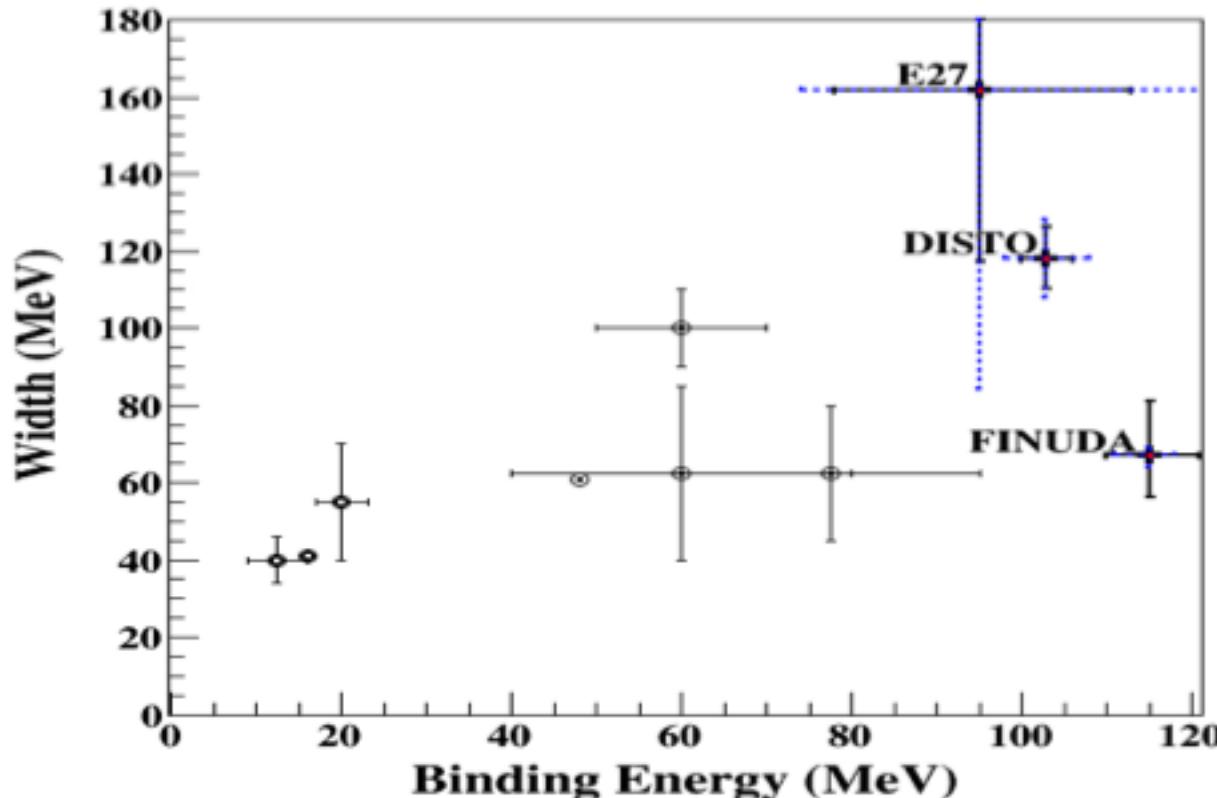


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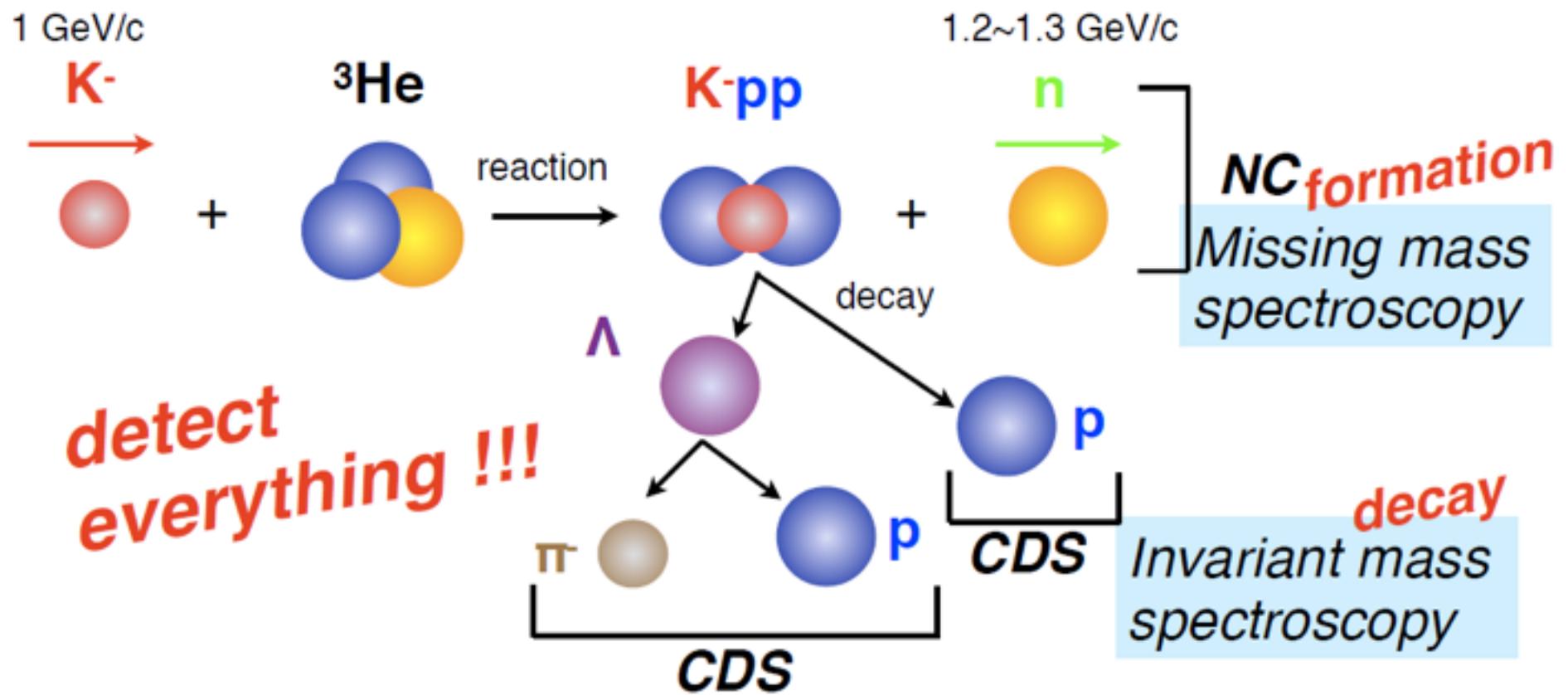
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# Kaonic nucleus at K1.8BR/J-PARC

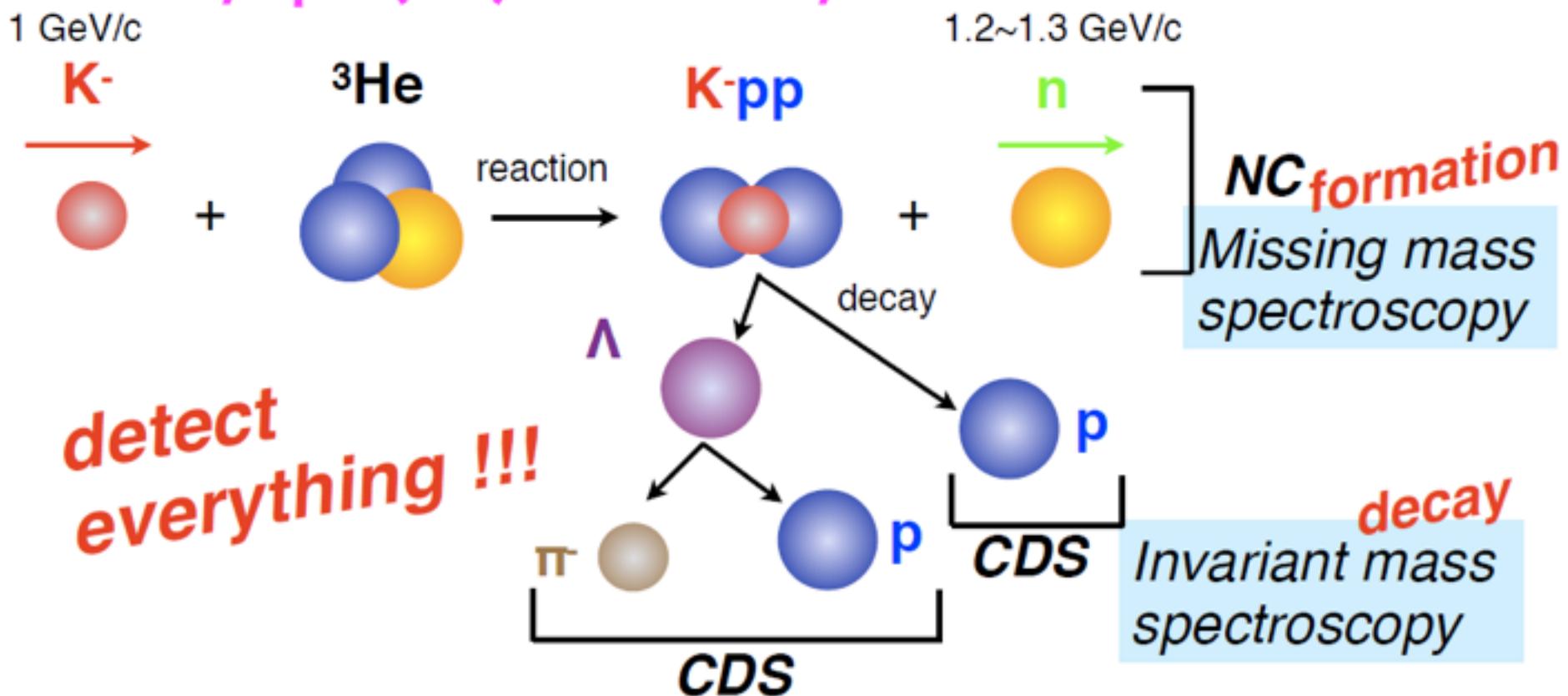
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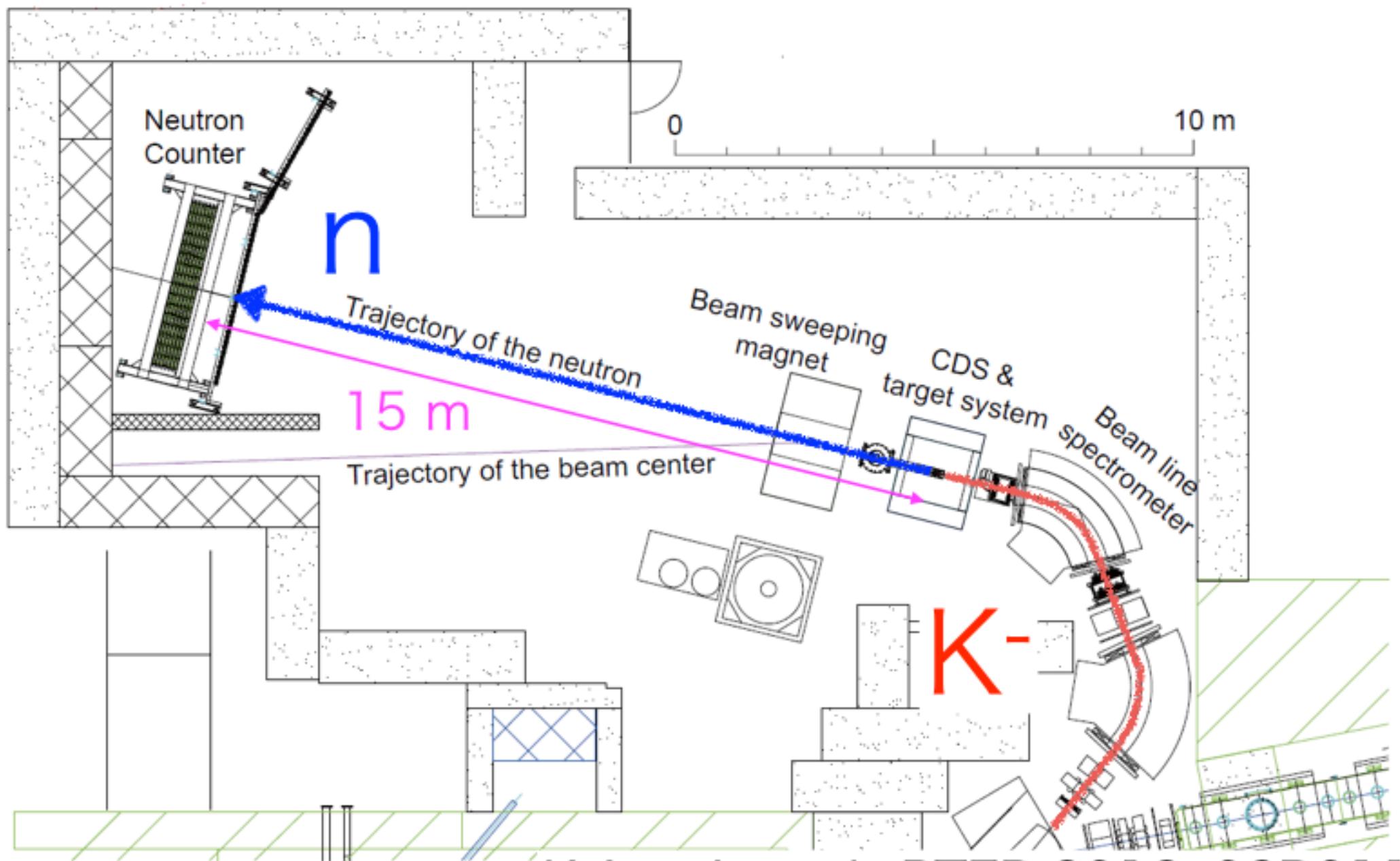
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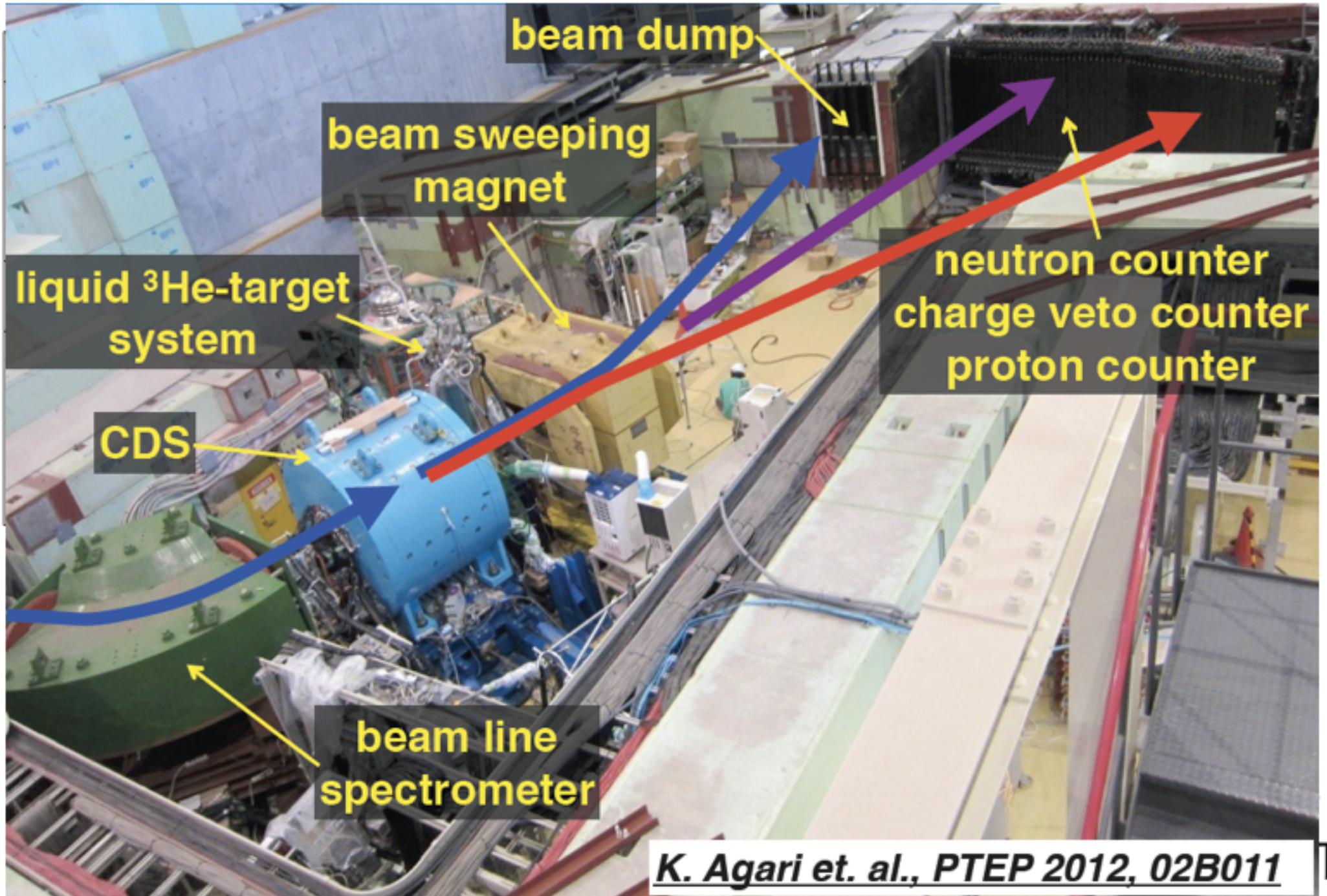
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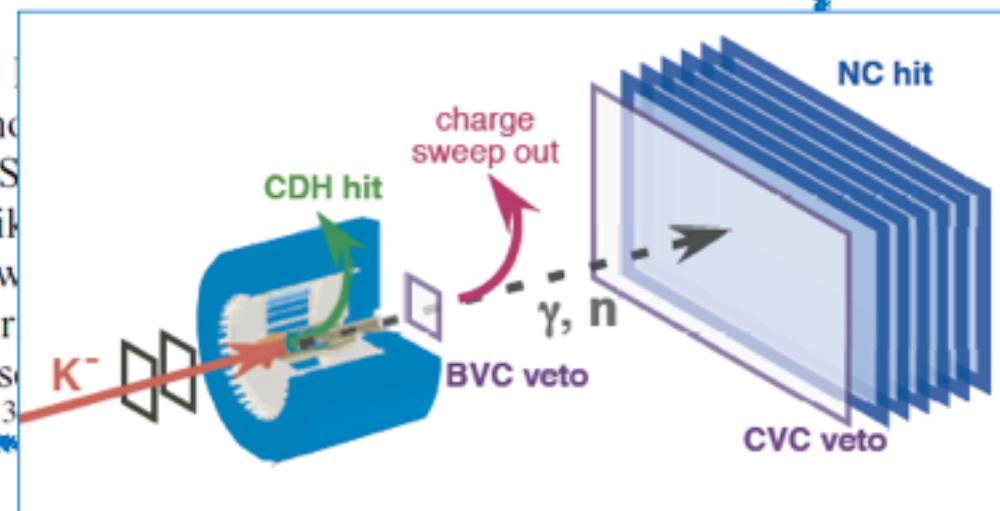
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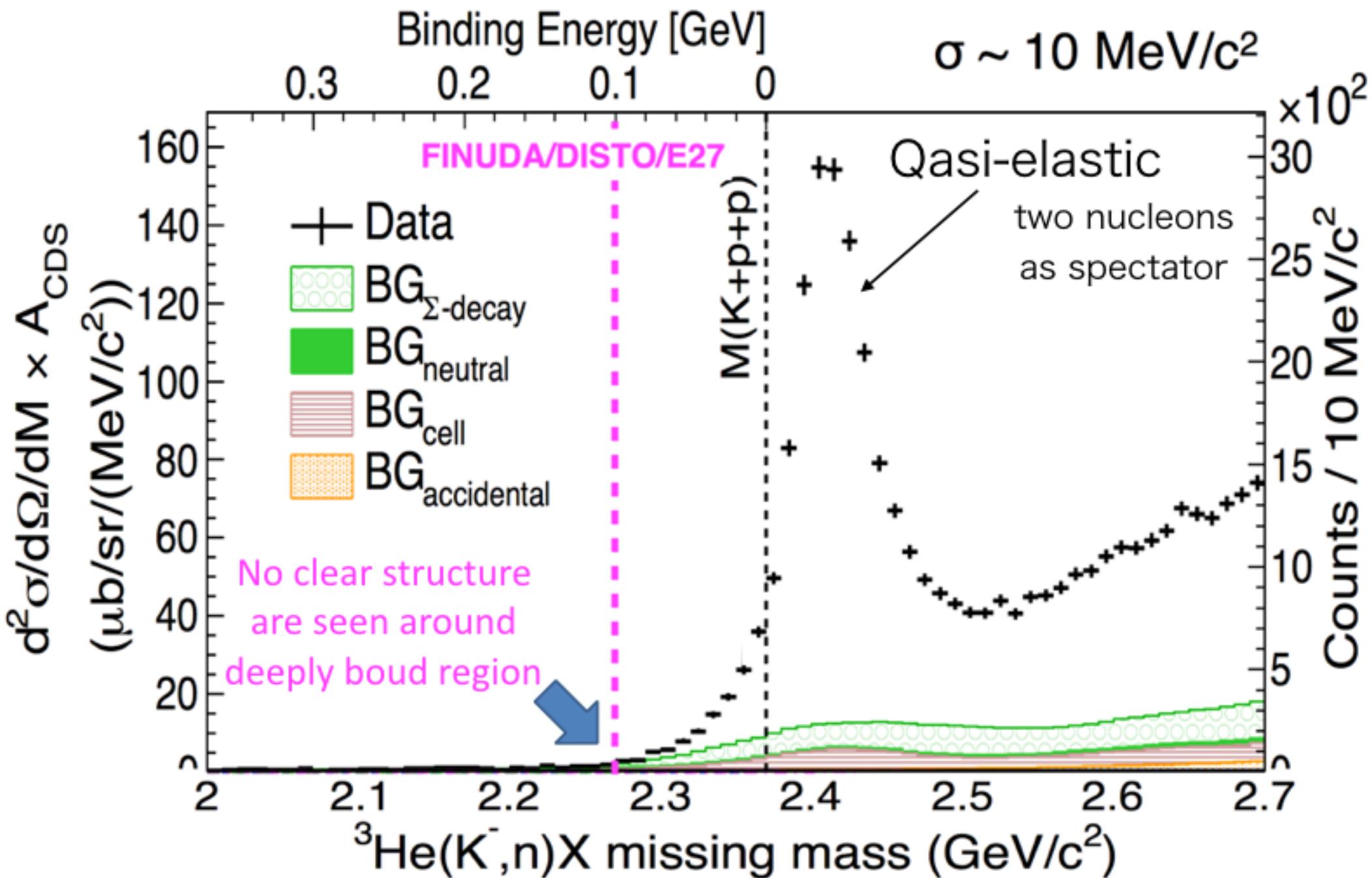
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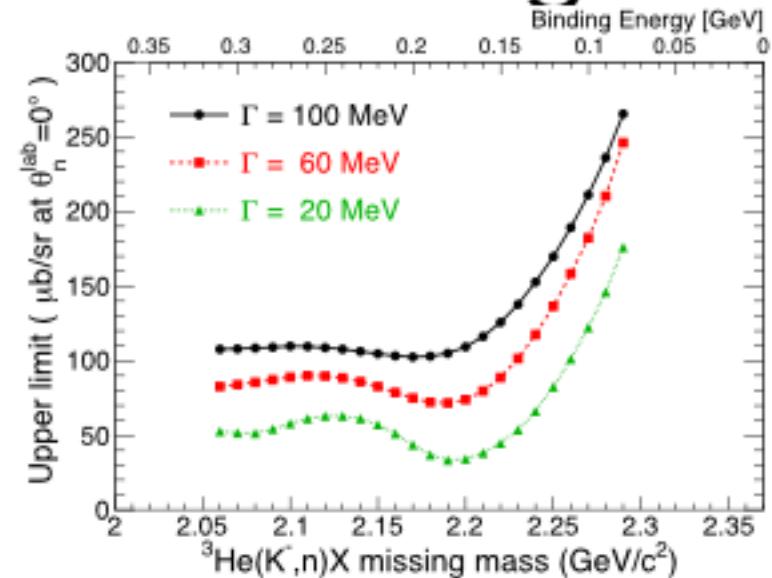
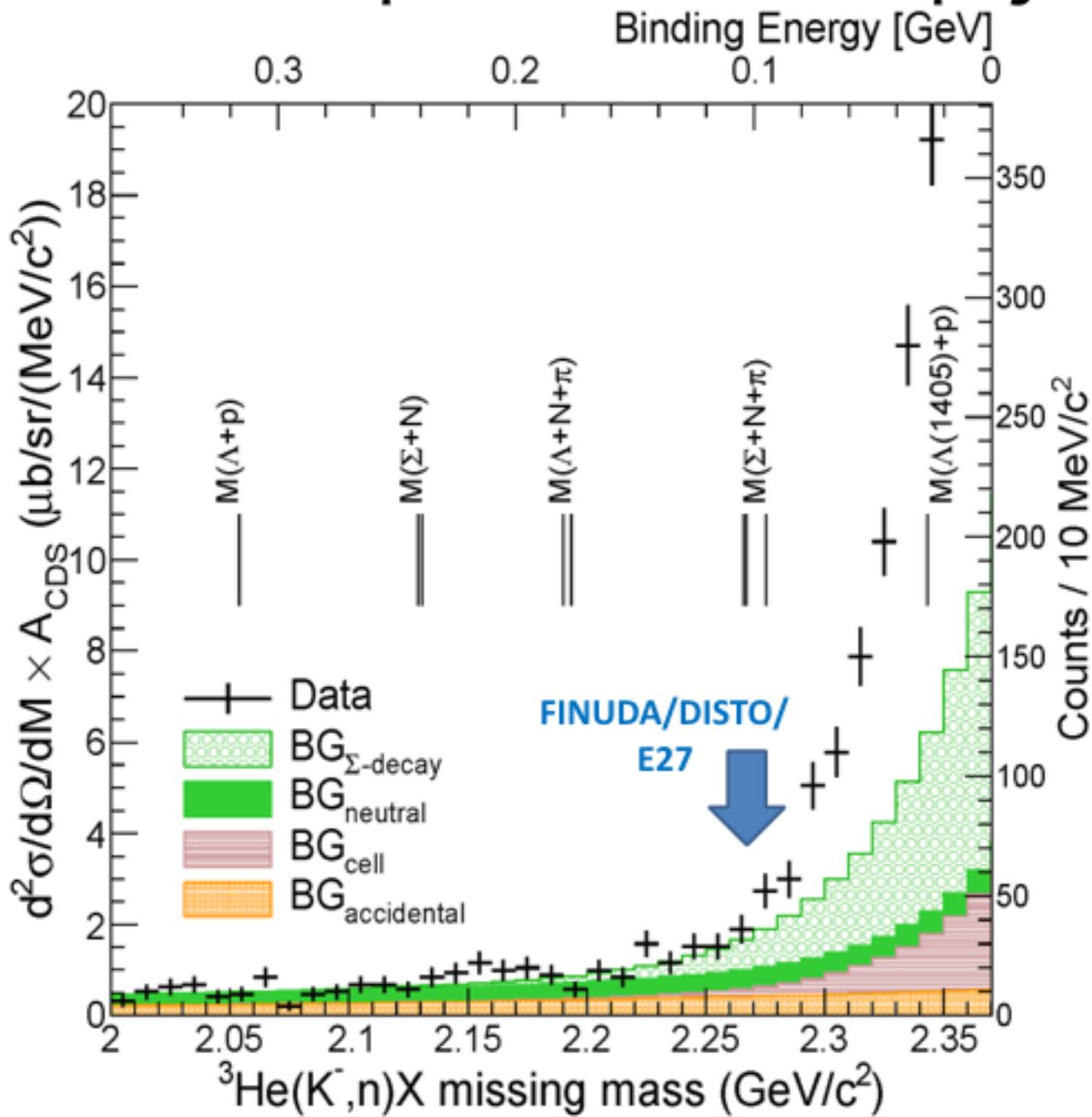
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# Semi-inclusive ${}^3\text{He}(\bar{\text{K}}, \text{n})$ at $\theta_{\text{n}} = 0$



# Close-Up of the Deeply-Bound Region



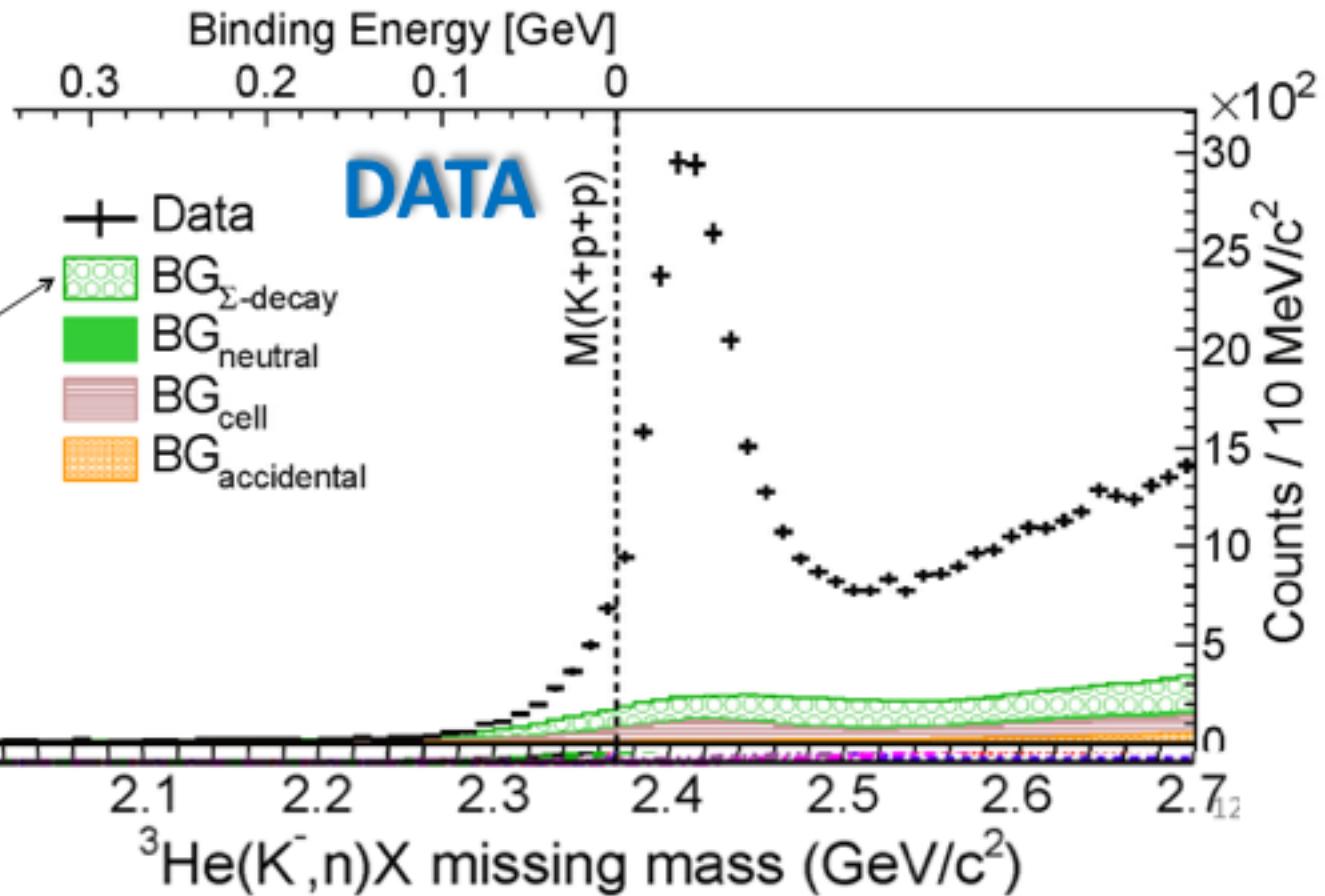
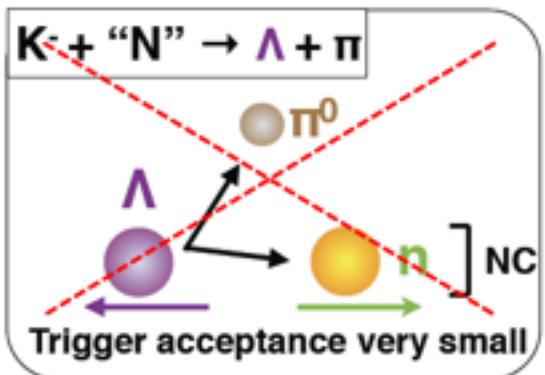
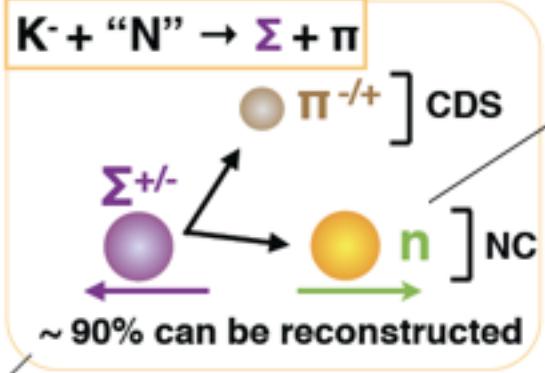
Intrinsic peak shape: Breit-Wigner  
Decay mode:  $K^-pp \rightarrow \Lambda p$  100% (isotropic decay)

- J-PARC E15 (U.L.)  
30 ~ 300  $\mu b/\text{sr}$  @ 0 deg.  
0.5 - 5% of quasi-elastic

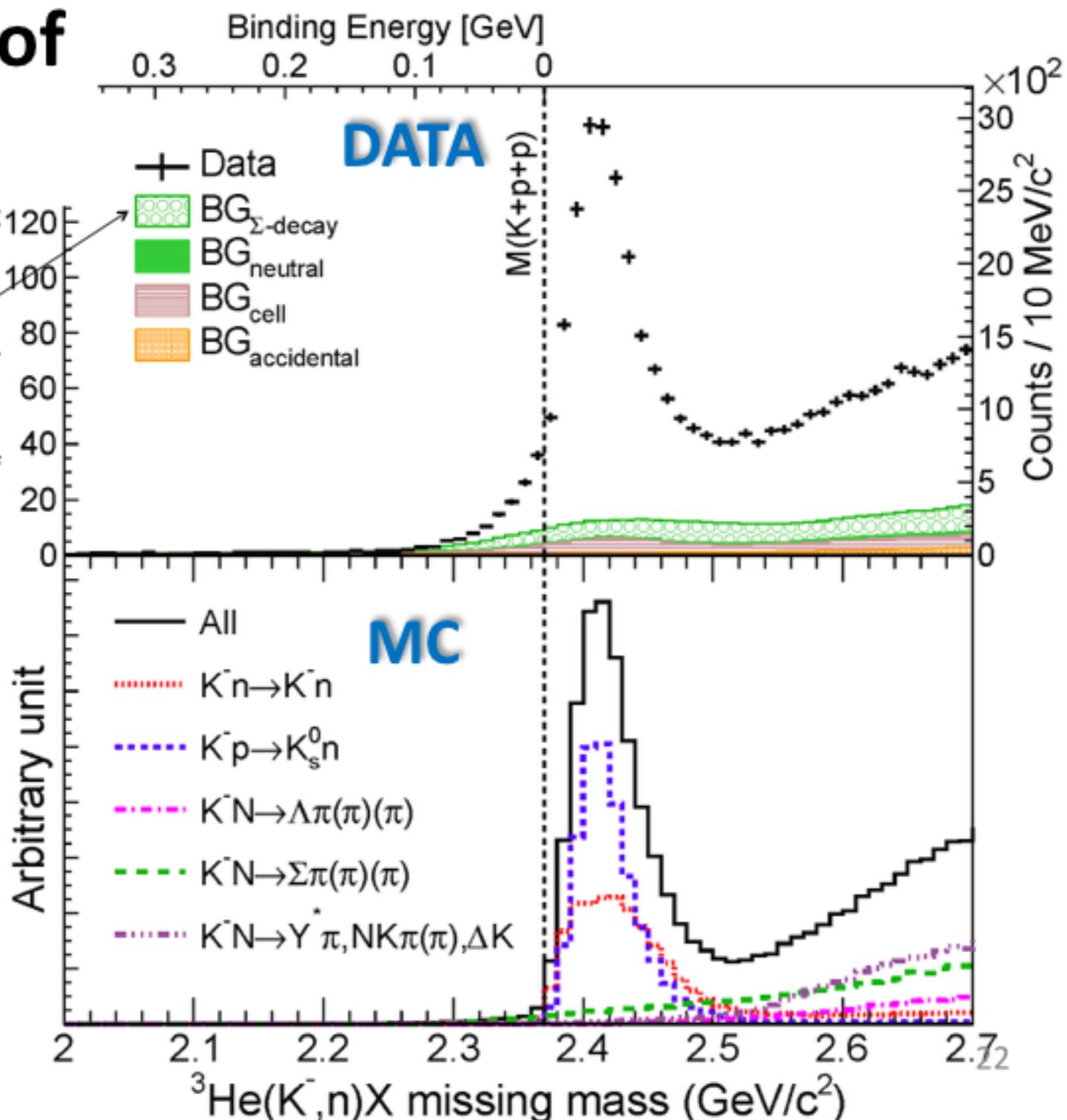
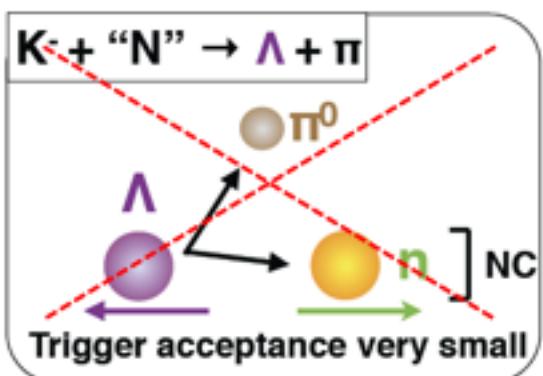
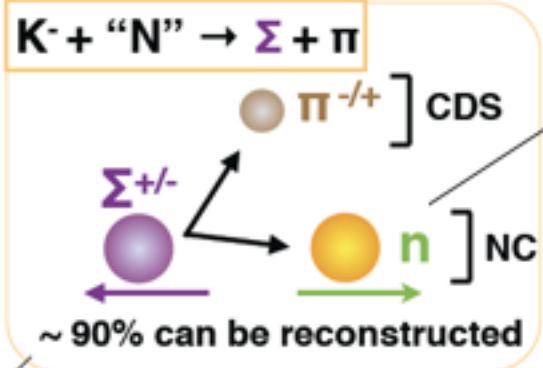
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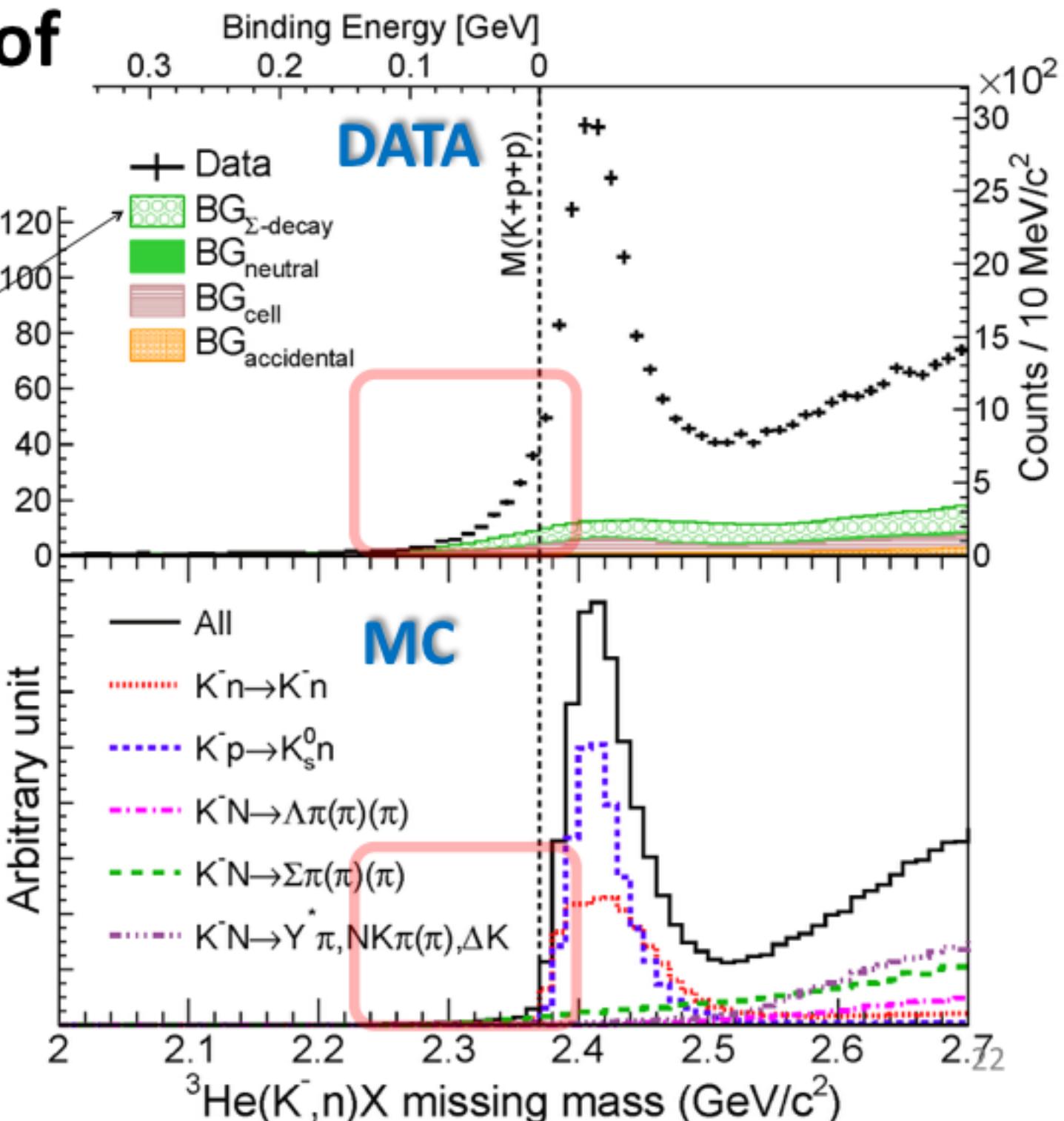
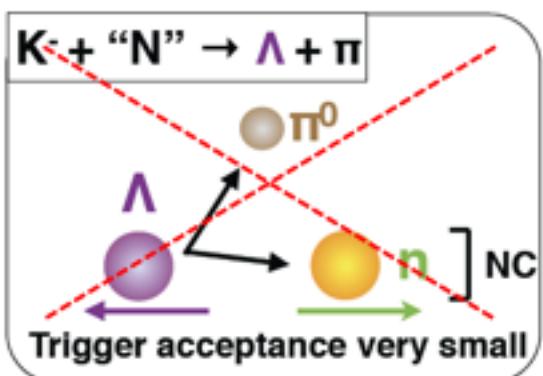
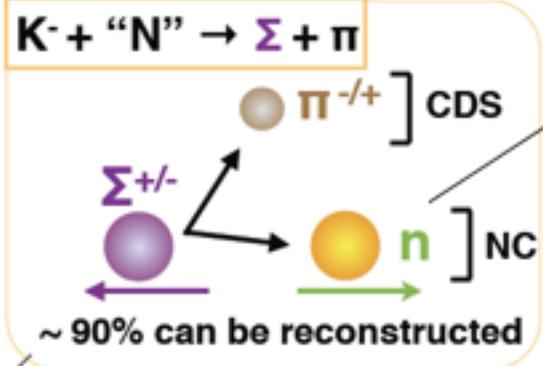
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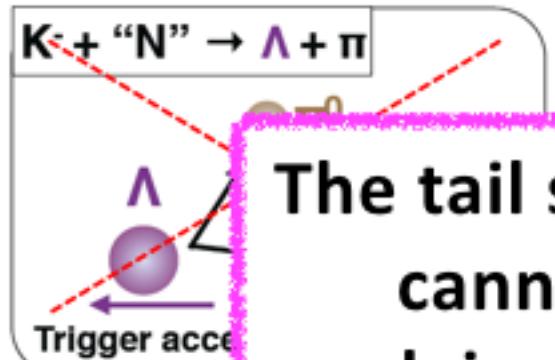
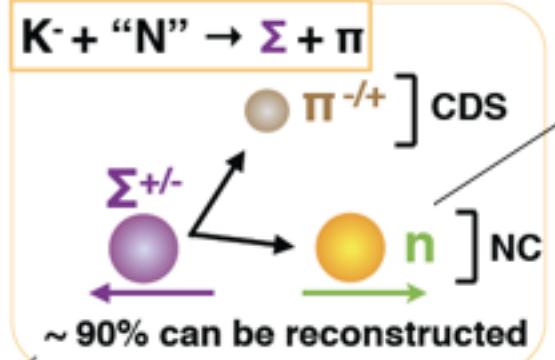
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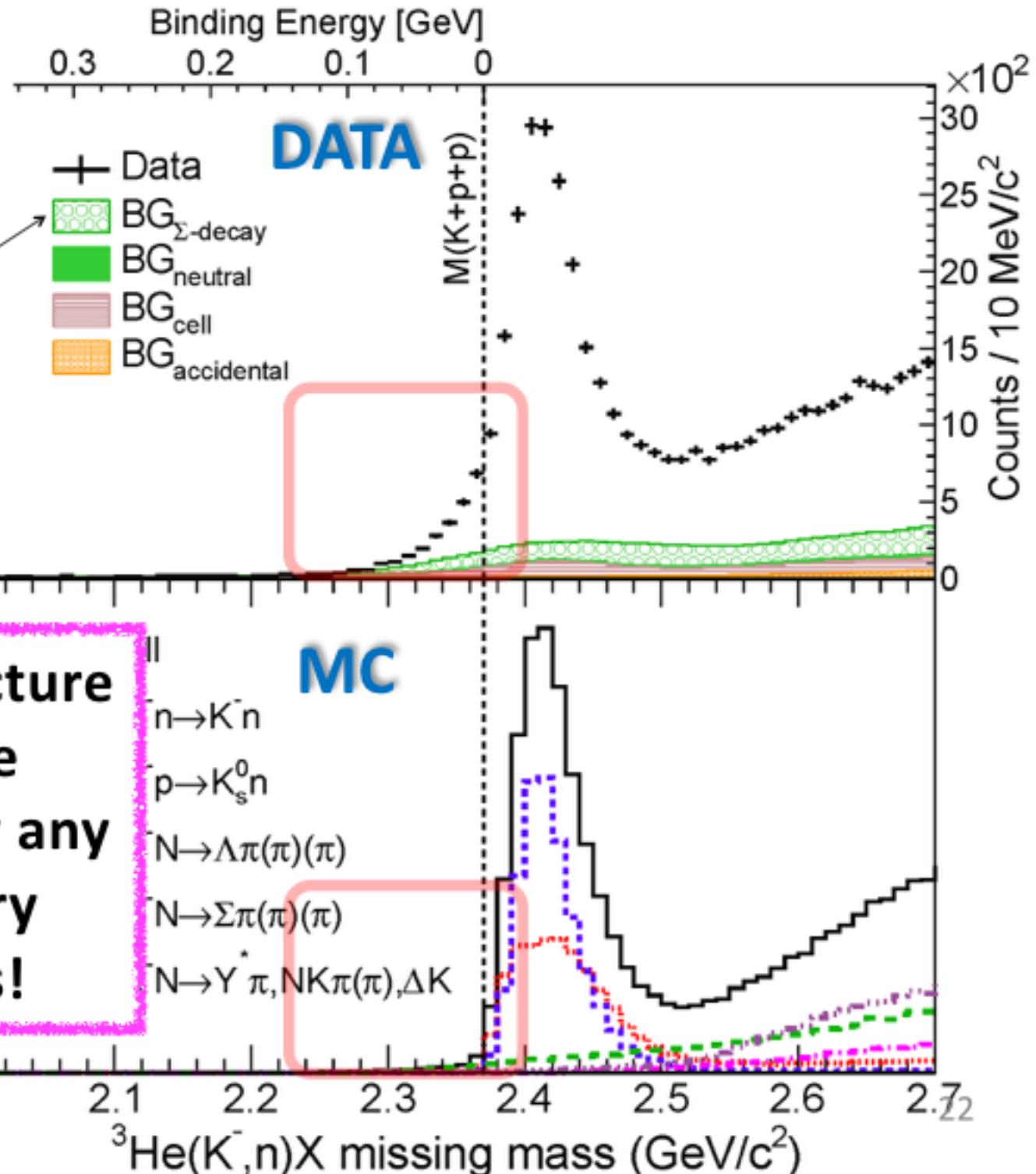
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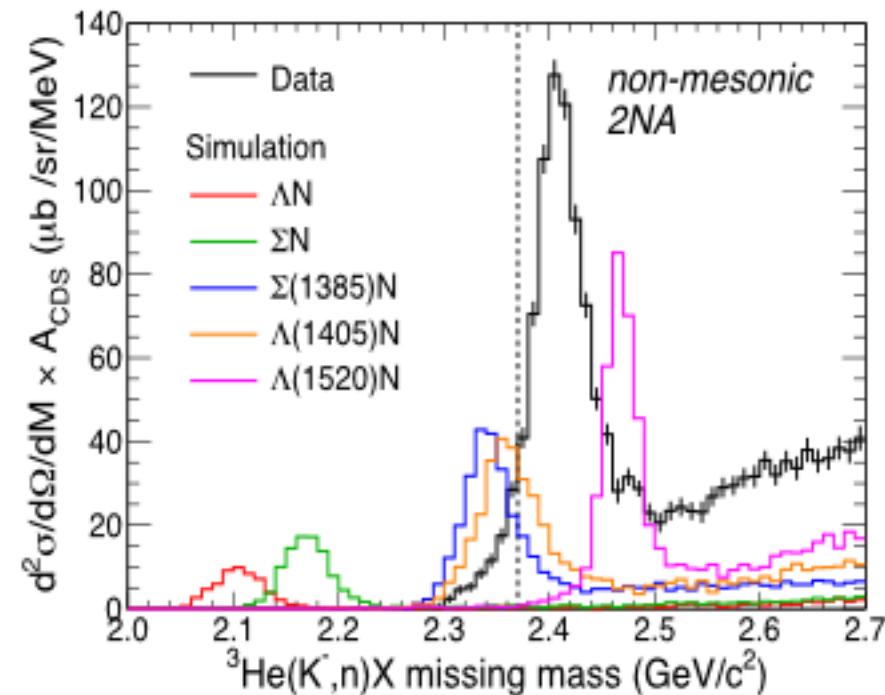


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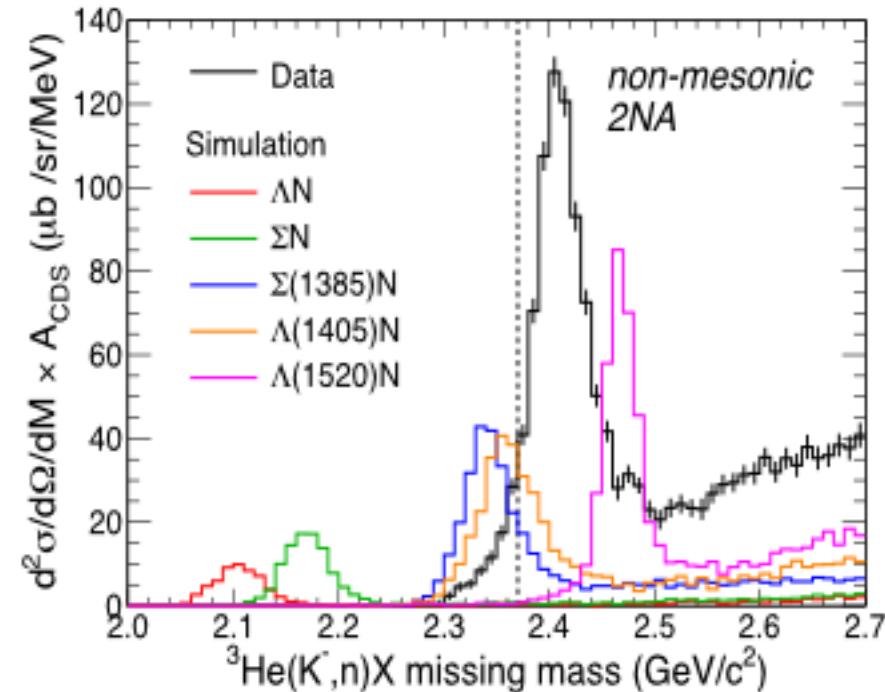
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This issue will be discussed by Prof.Noumi later

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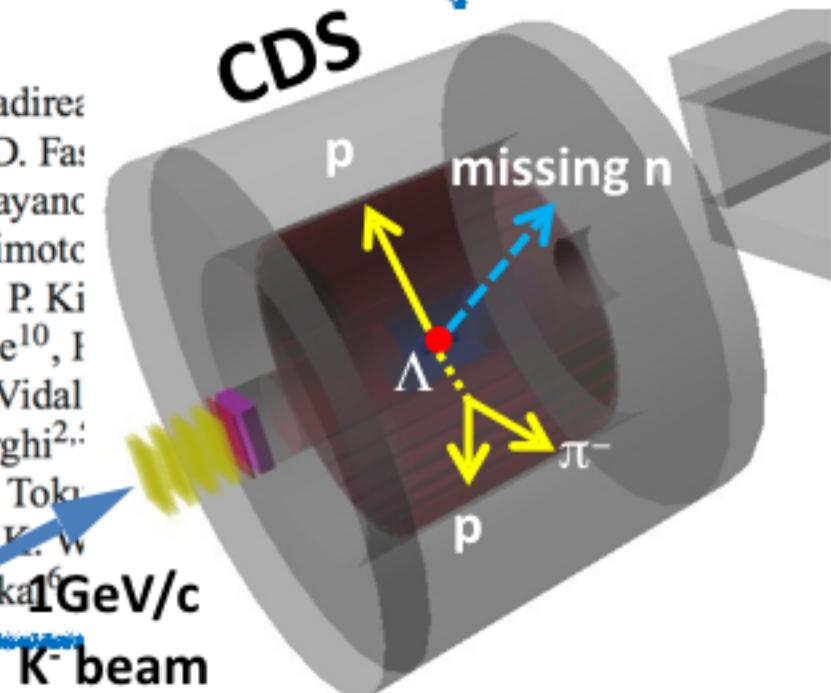
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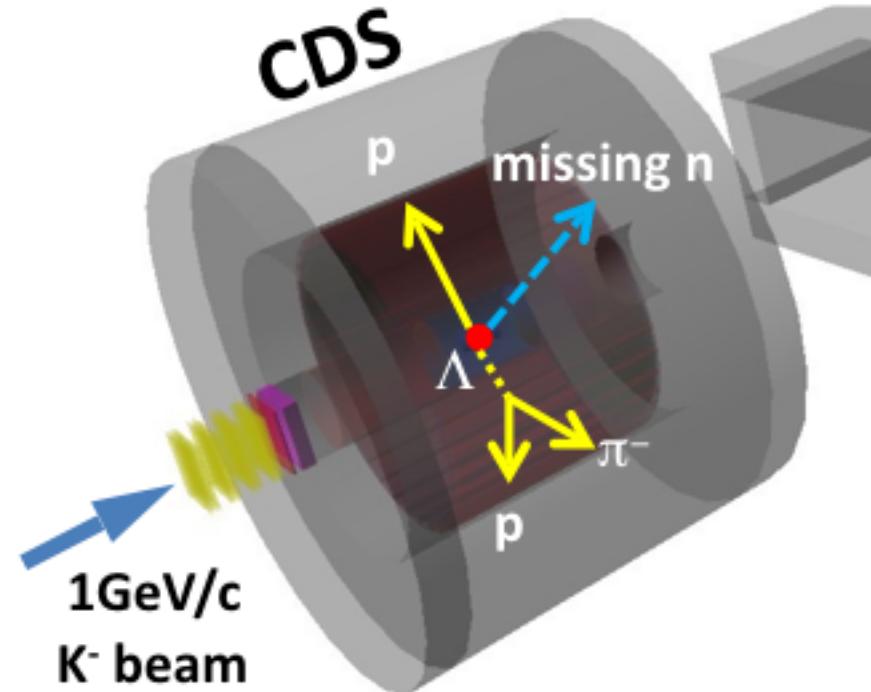
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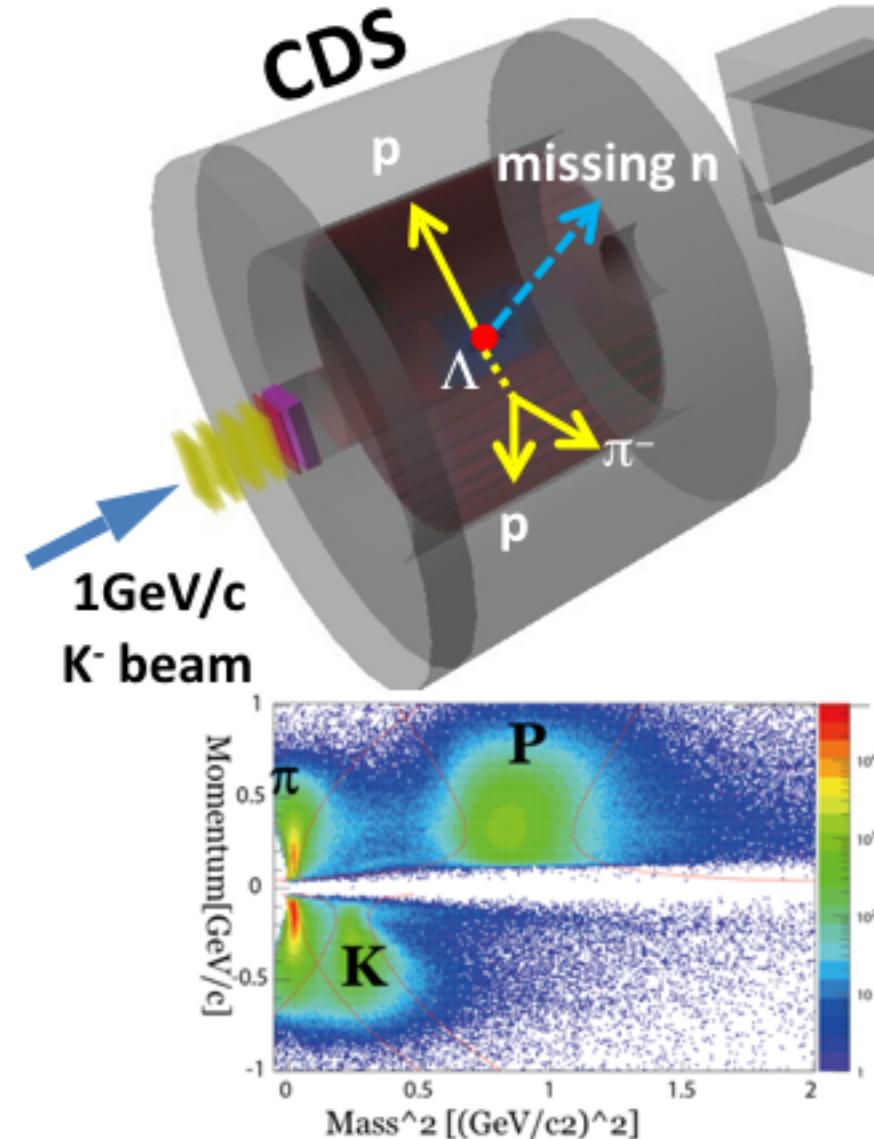
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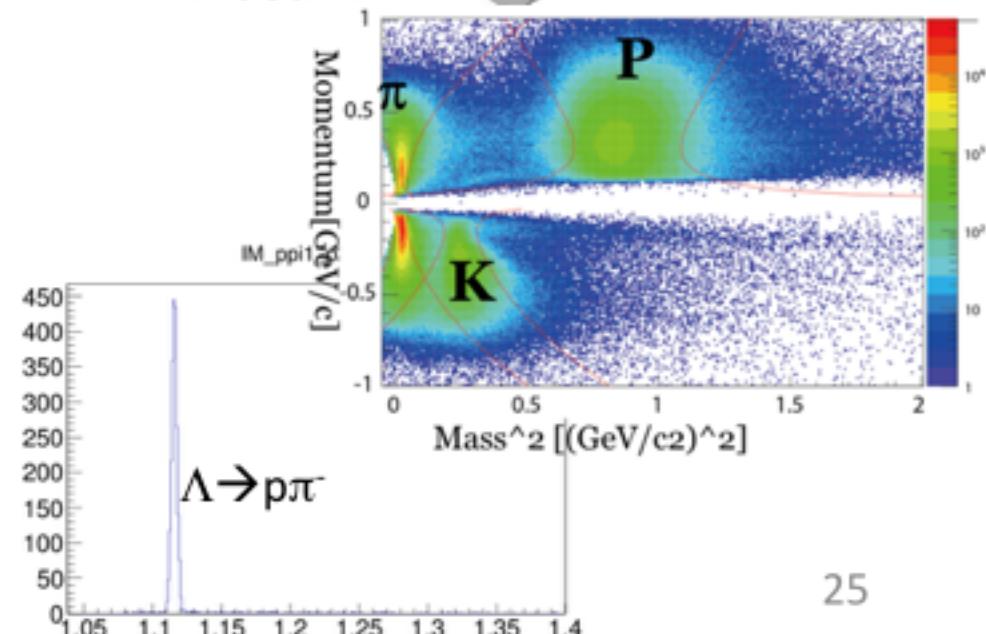
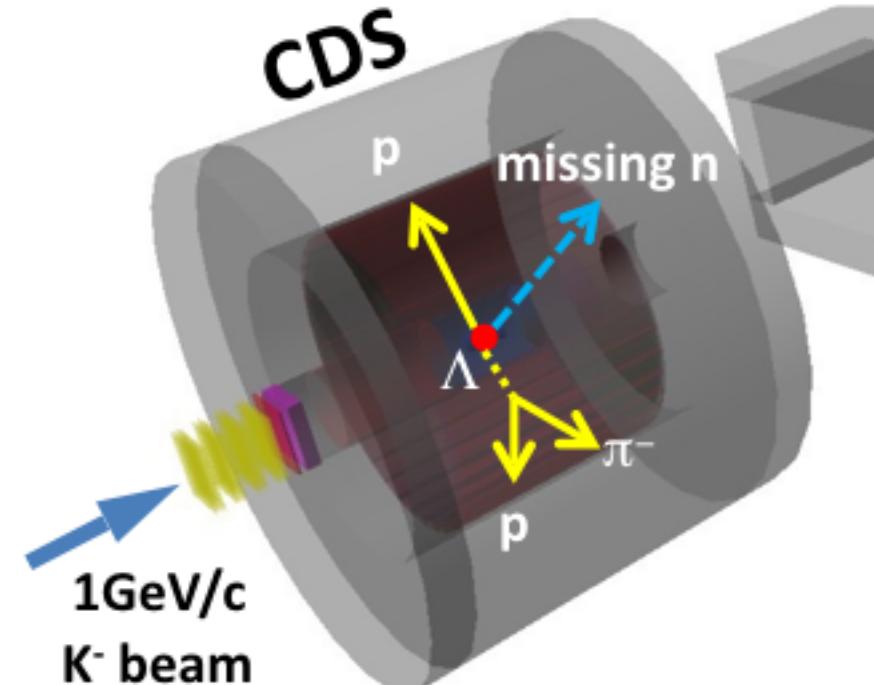
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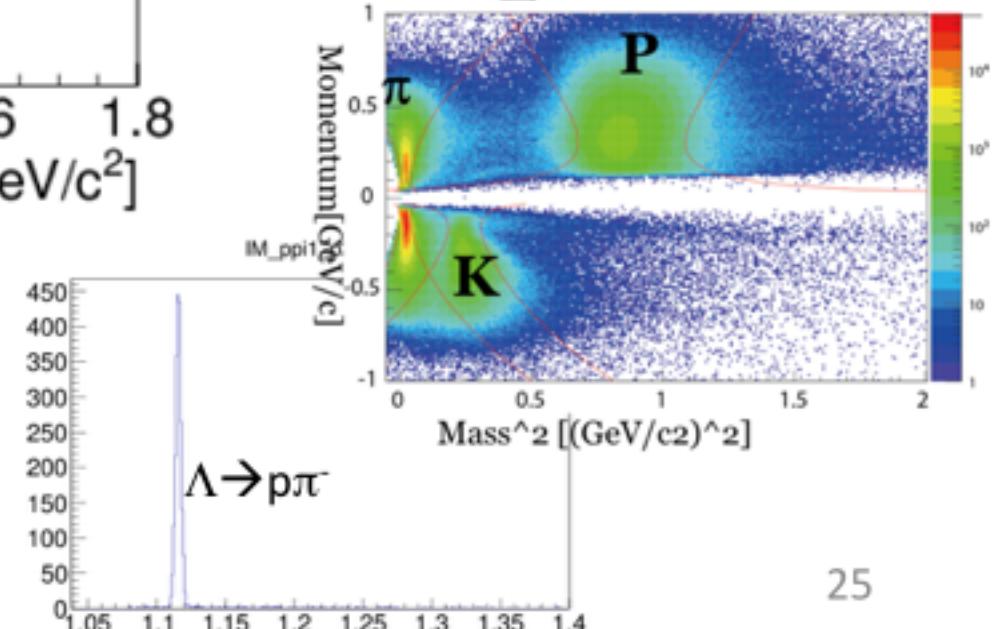
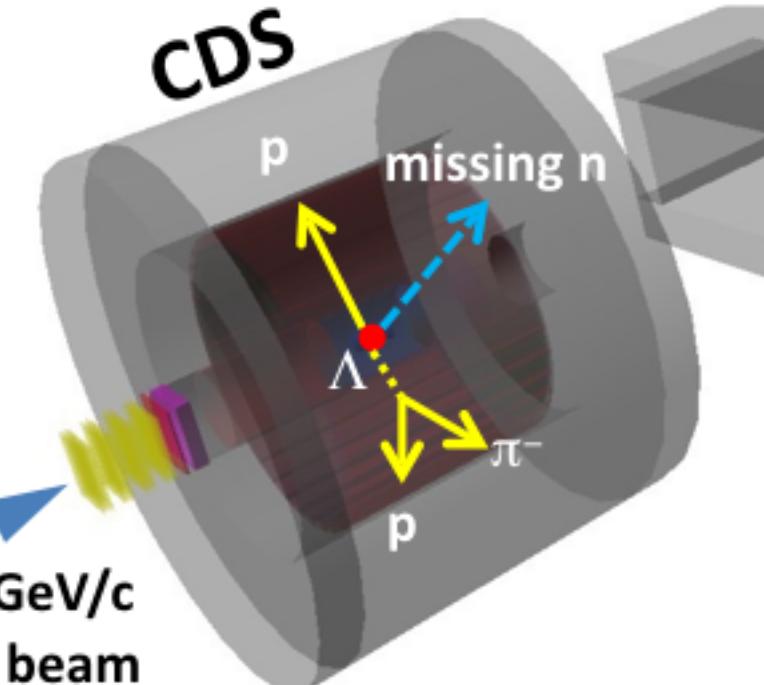
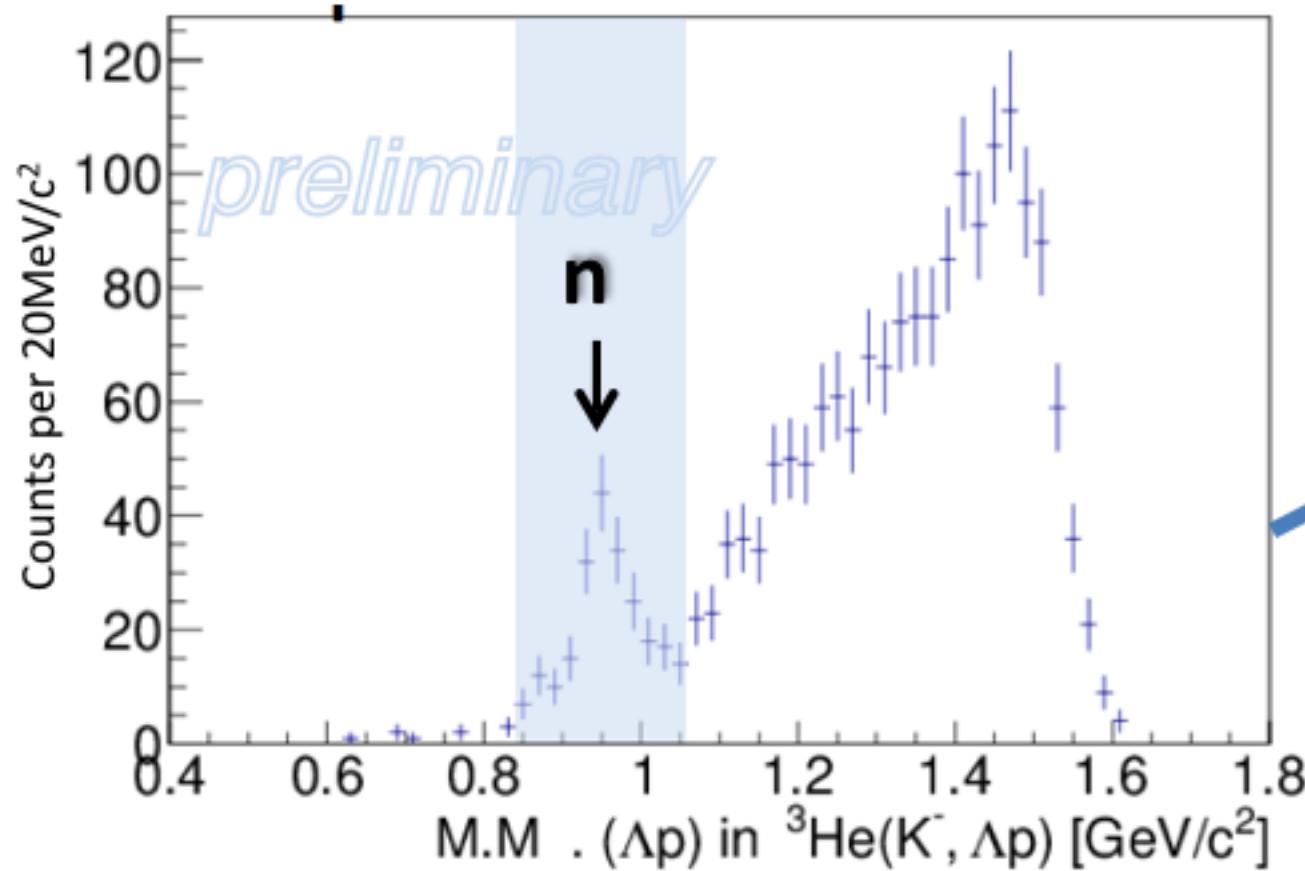
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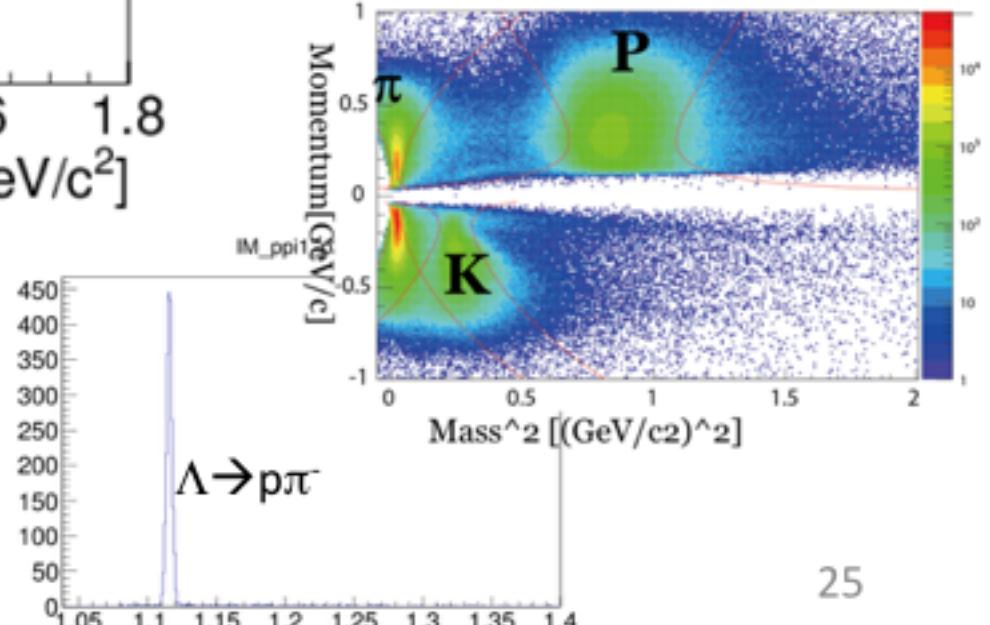
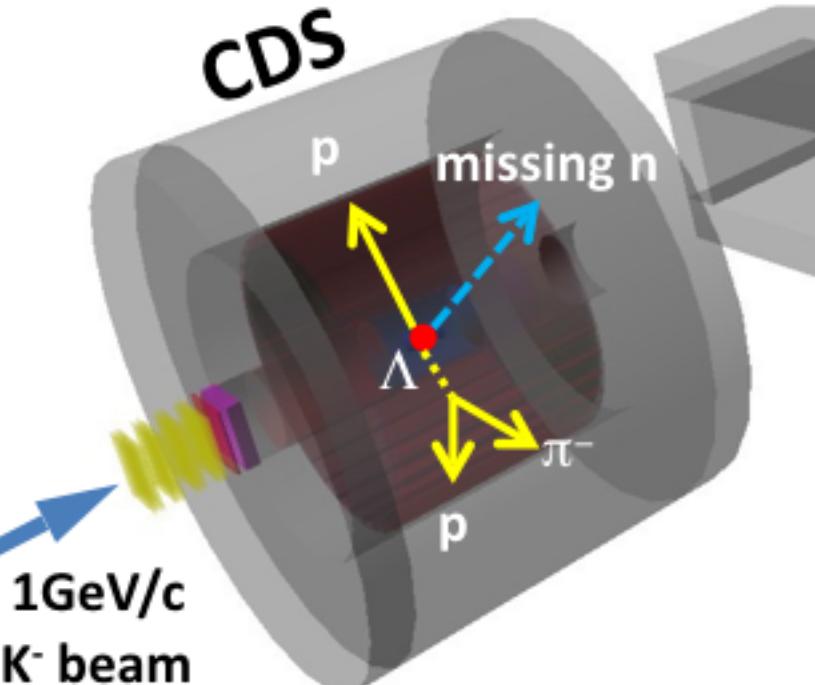
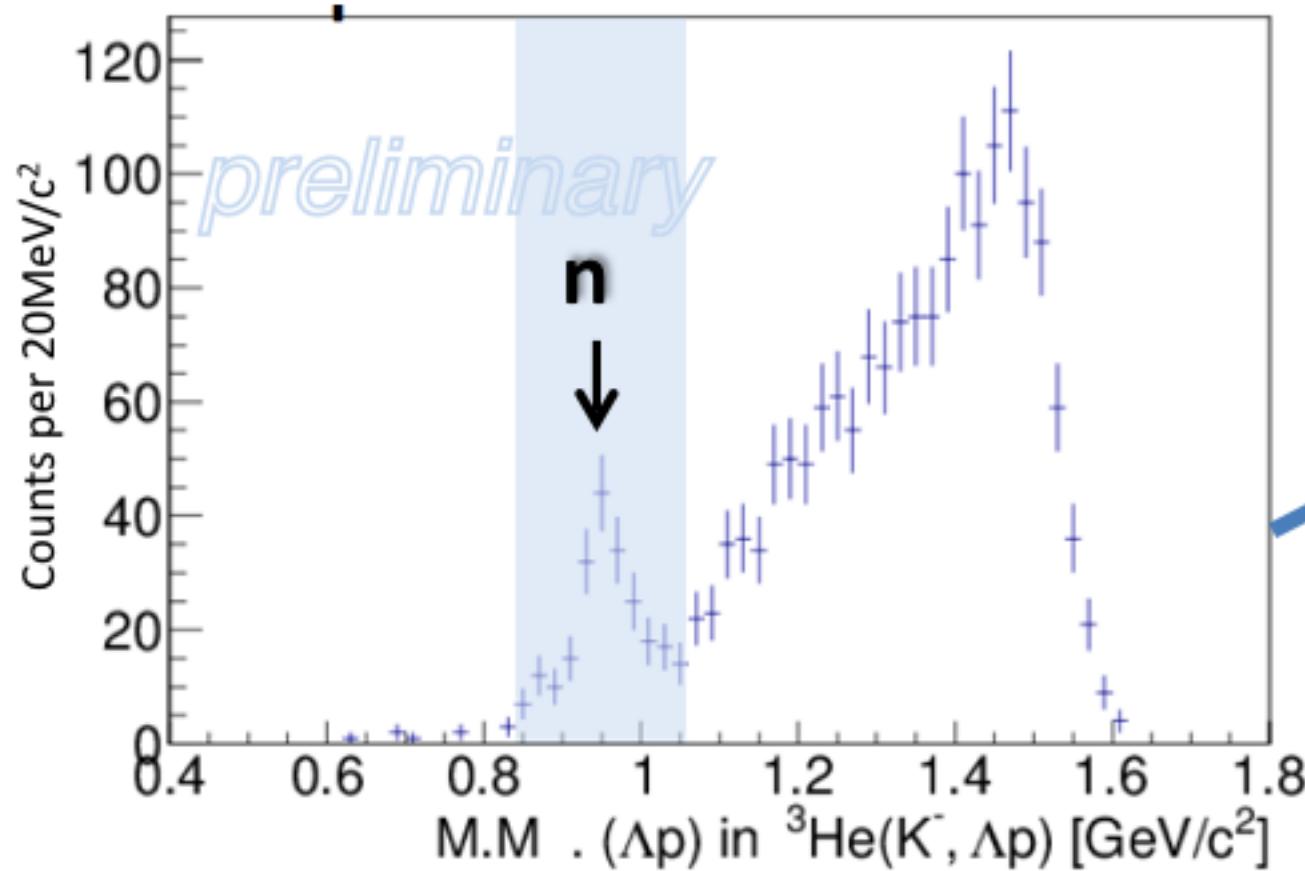
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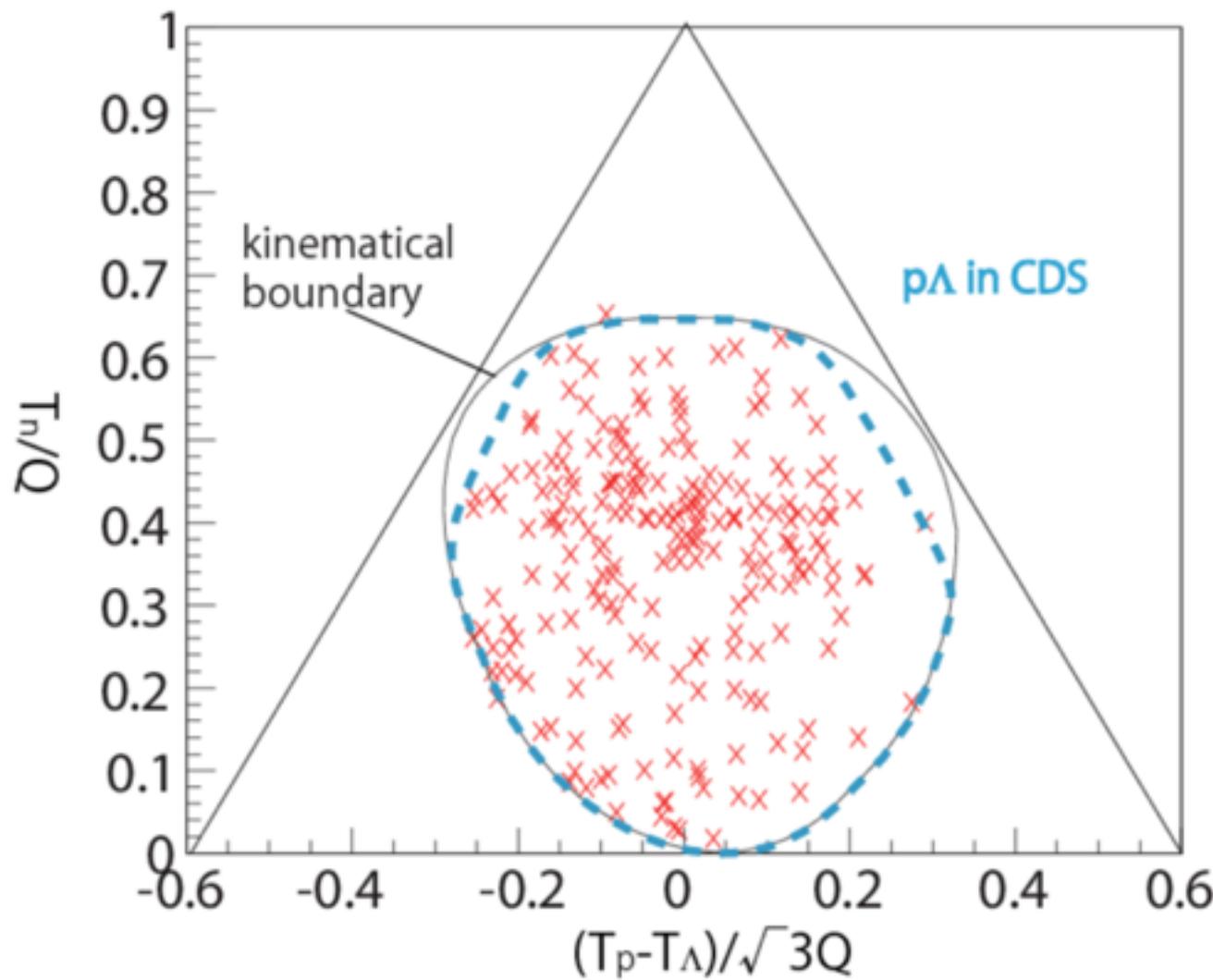
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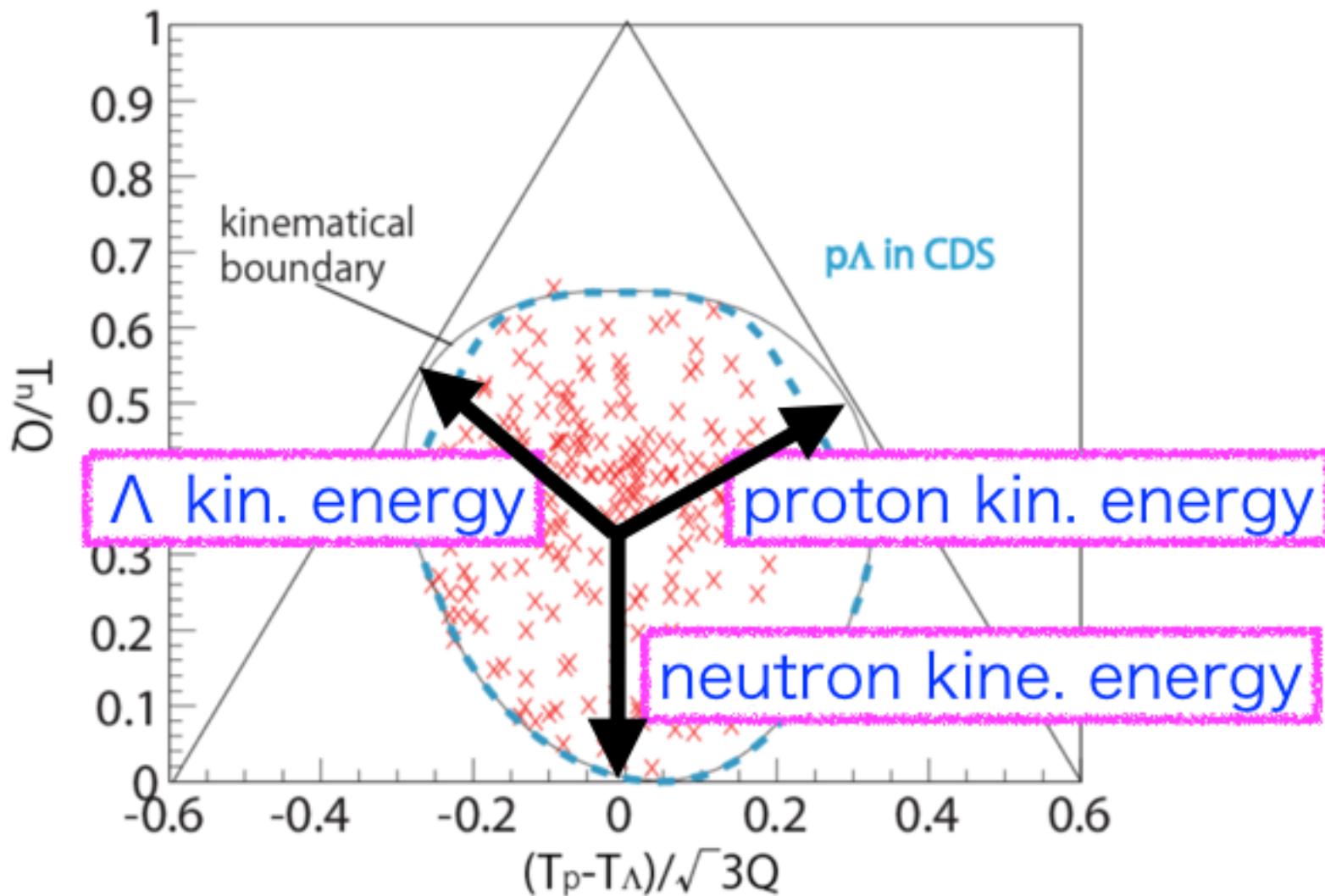
- $\text{K}^- {}^3\text{He} \rightarrow \Lambda(\Sigma^0)\text{pn}$  events can be identified exclusively

- # of  $\Lambda(\Sigma^0)\text{pn}$  events: ~200
    - $\Sigma^0\text{pn}$  contamination: ~20%

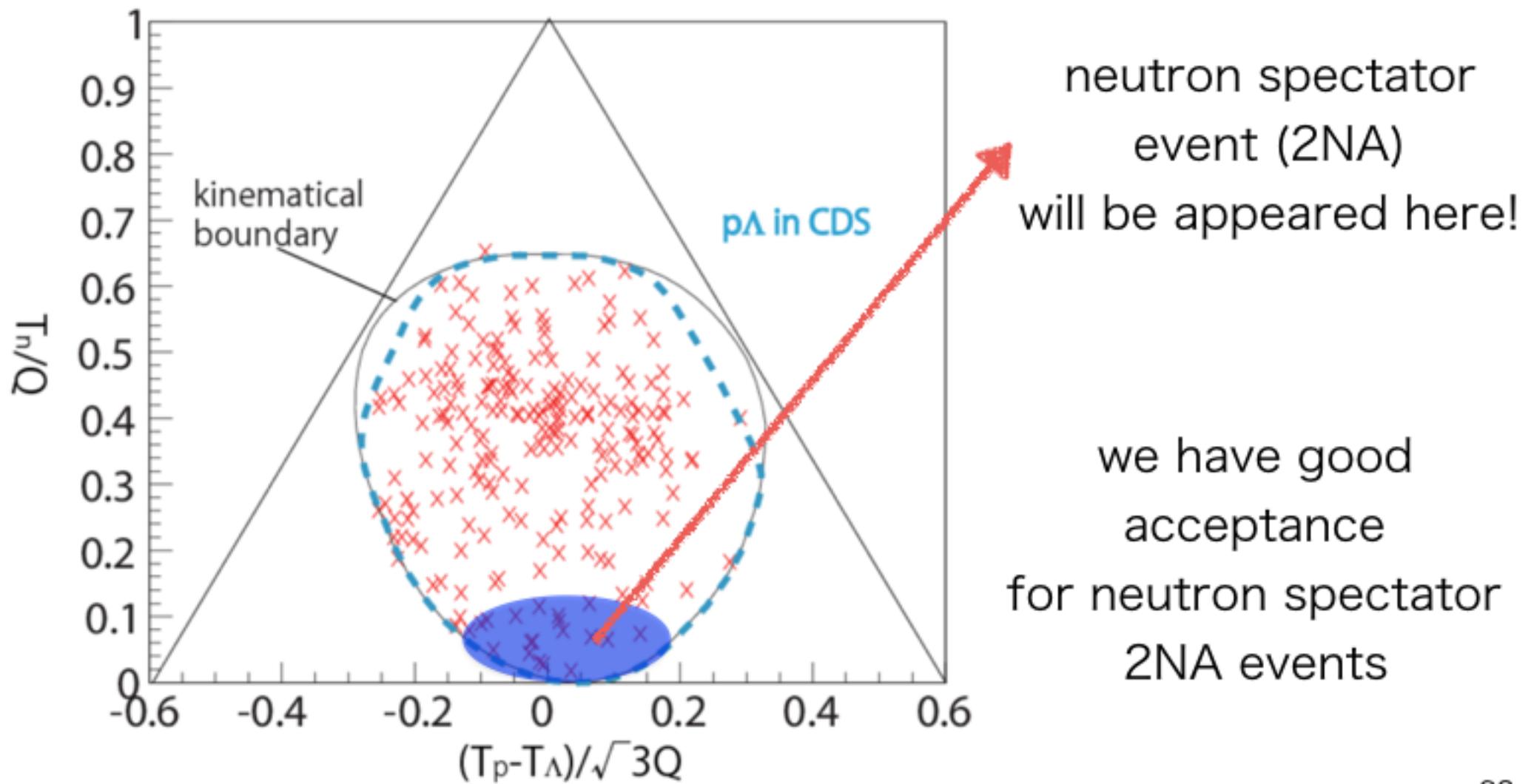
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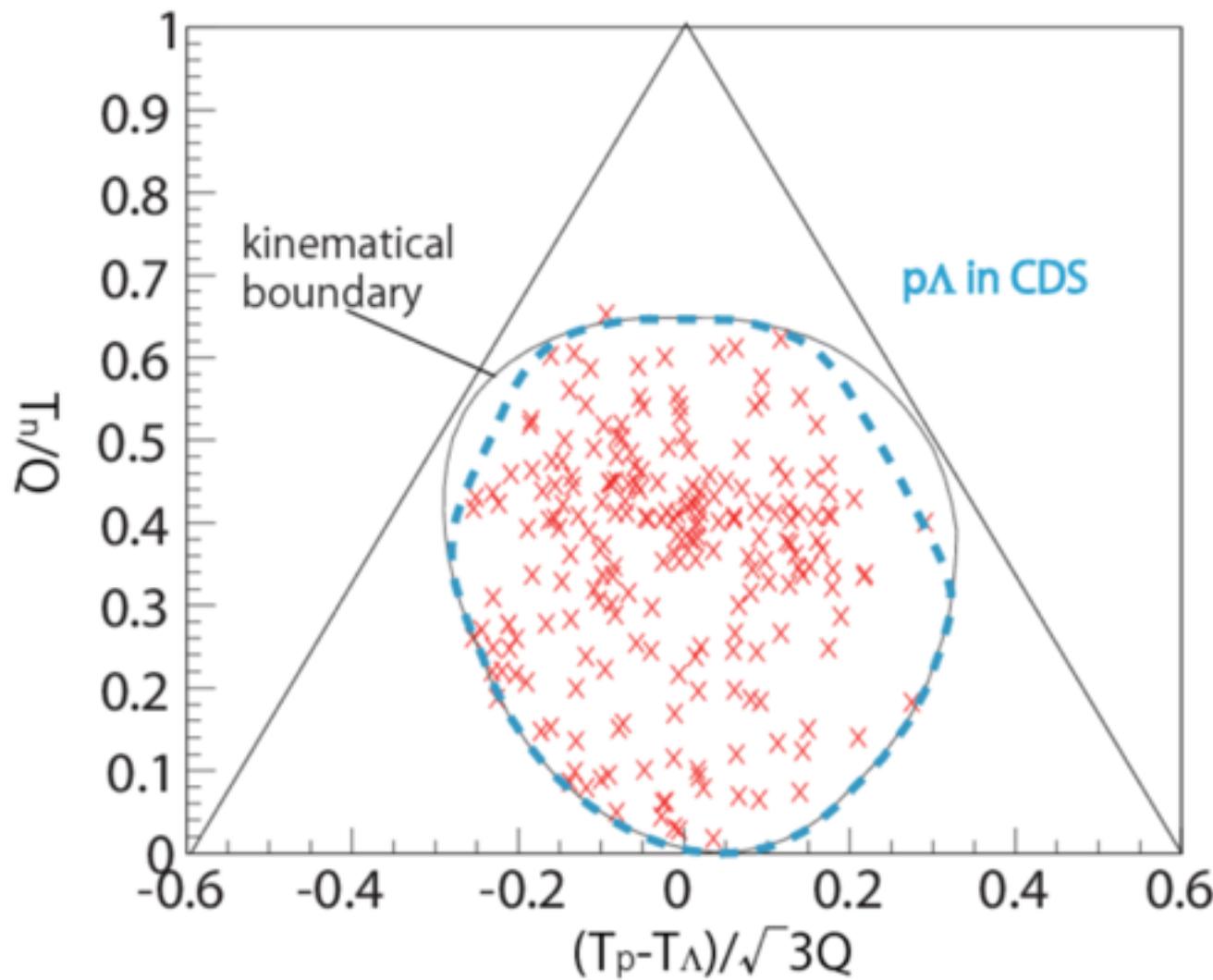
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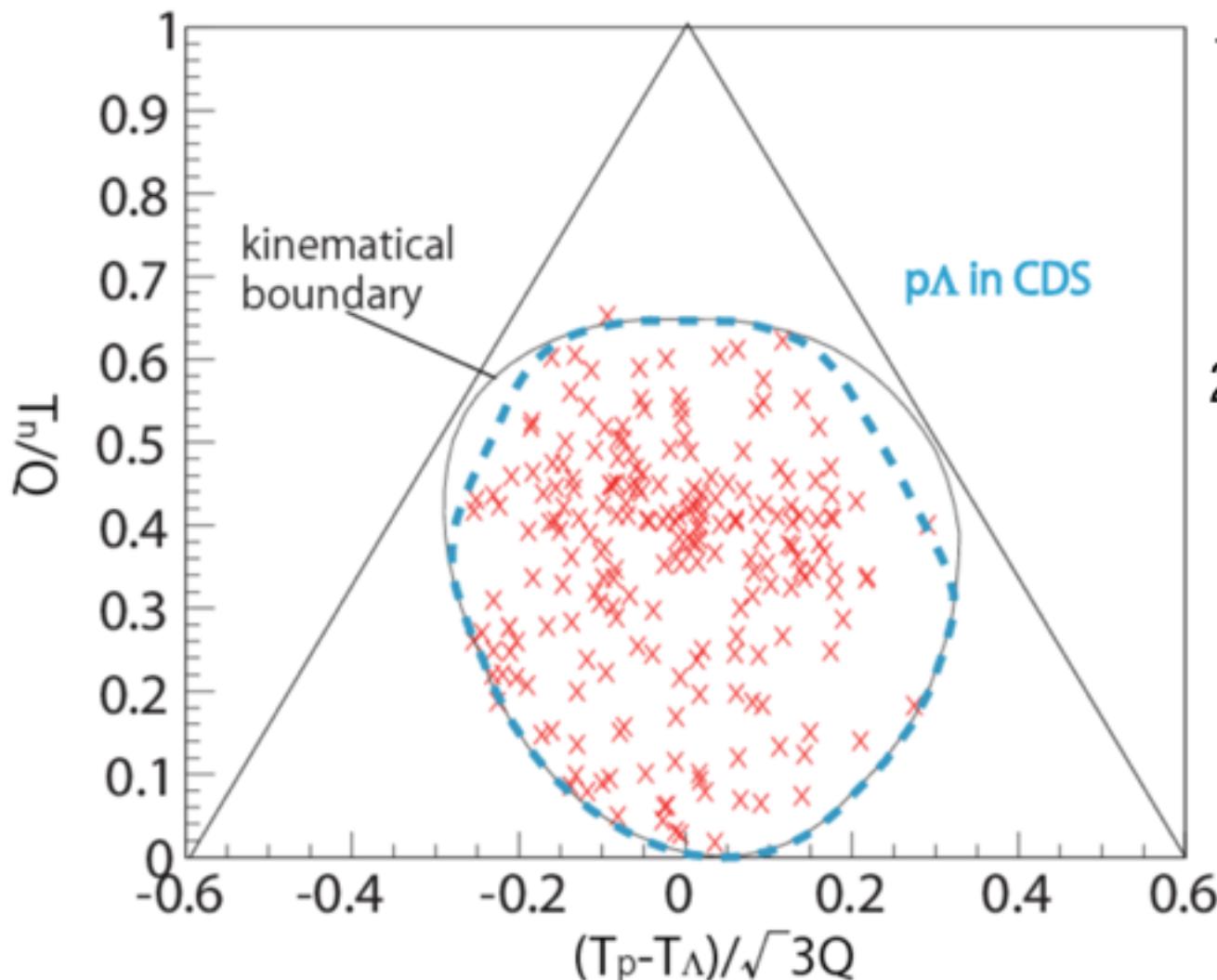
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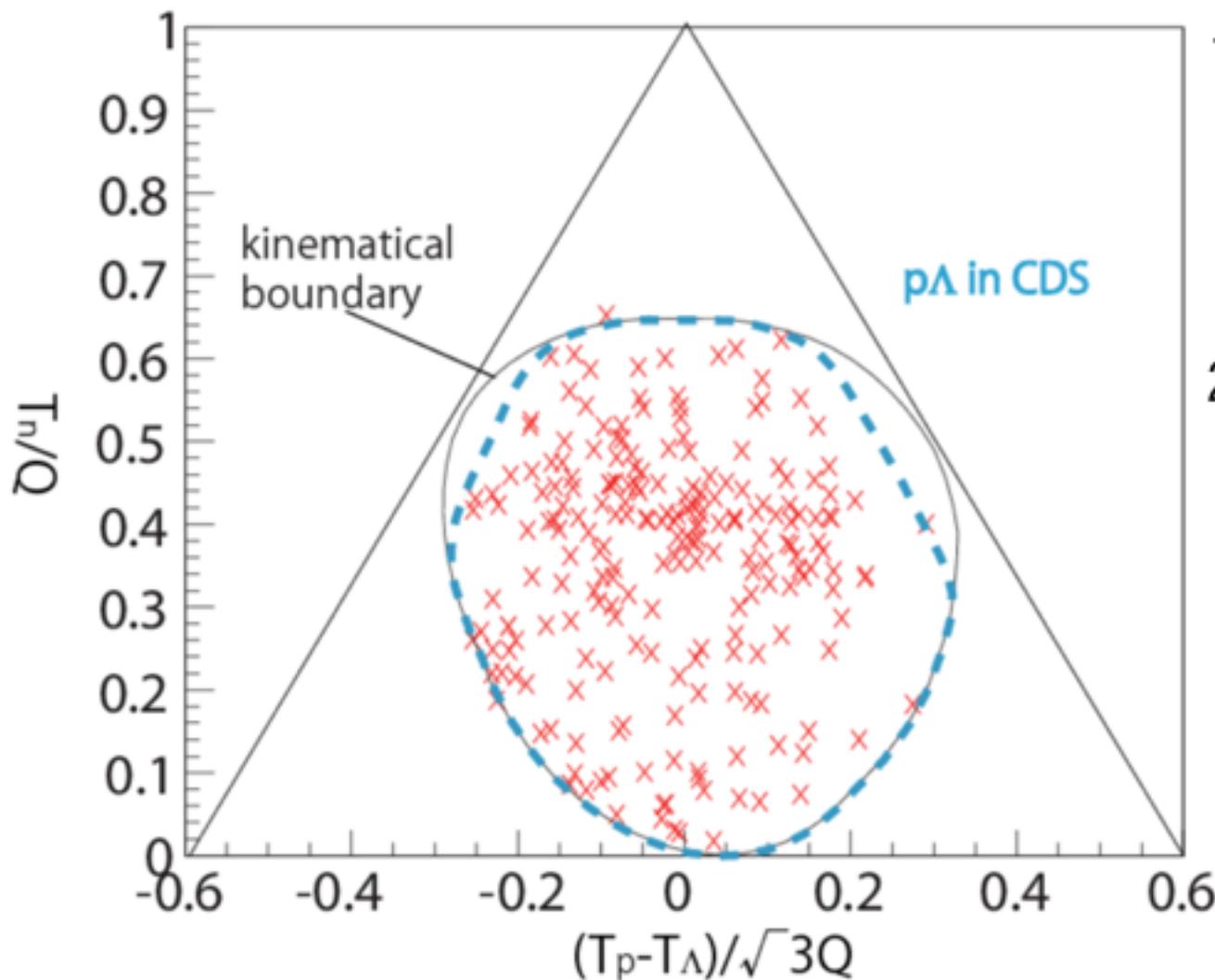


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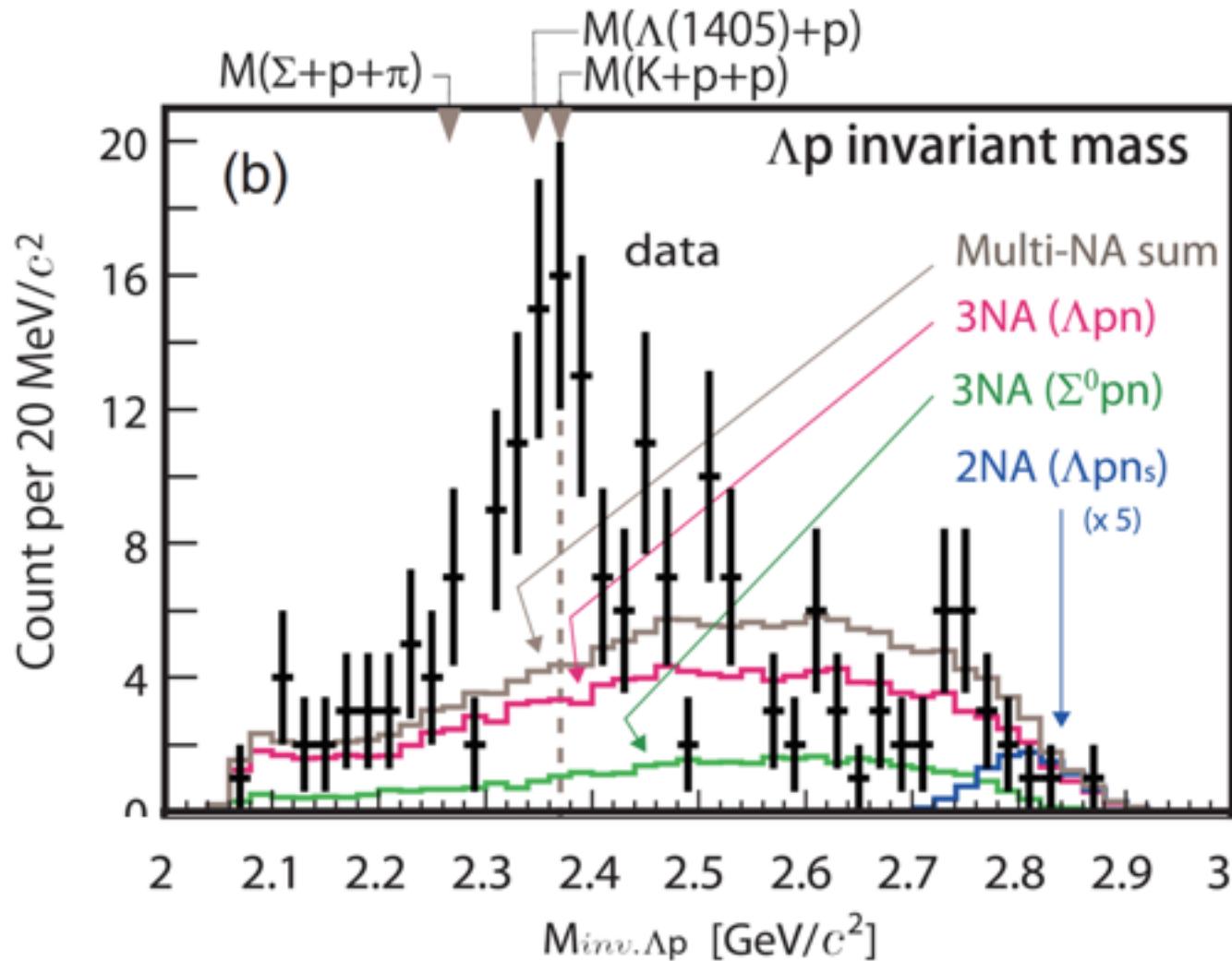
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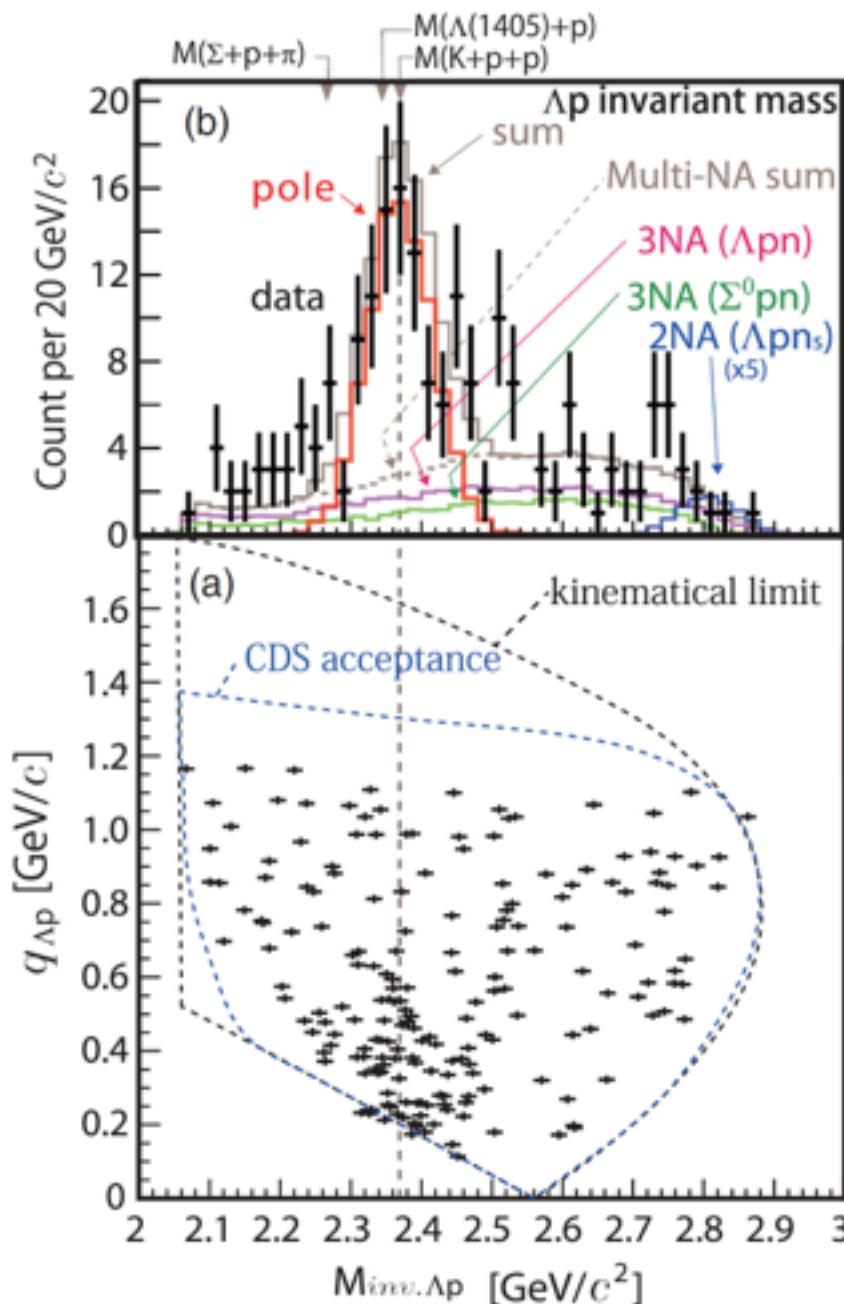
# Exclusive ${}^3\text{He}(\text{K}^-, \Lambda\text{p})\text{n}$ can be described by 3NA?



- contribution from 2NA seems very minor
- The spectrum CANNOT be reproduced by only 3NA
- Clear structure is seen around the threshold

# Momentum Transfer of ( $K^-$ ,n) reaction

## Mom. Trans. of ( $K^-$ ,n) vs. IM( $\Delta p$ )



- low-momentum transfer seems to be enhanced around the threshold

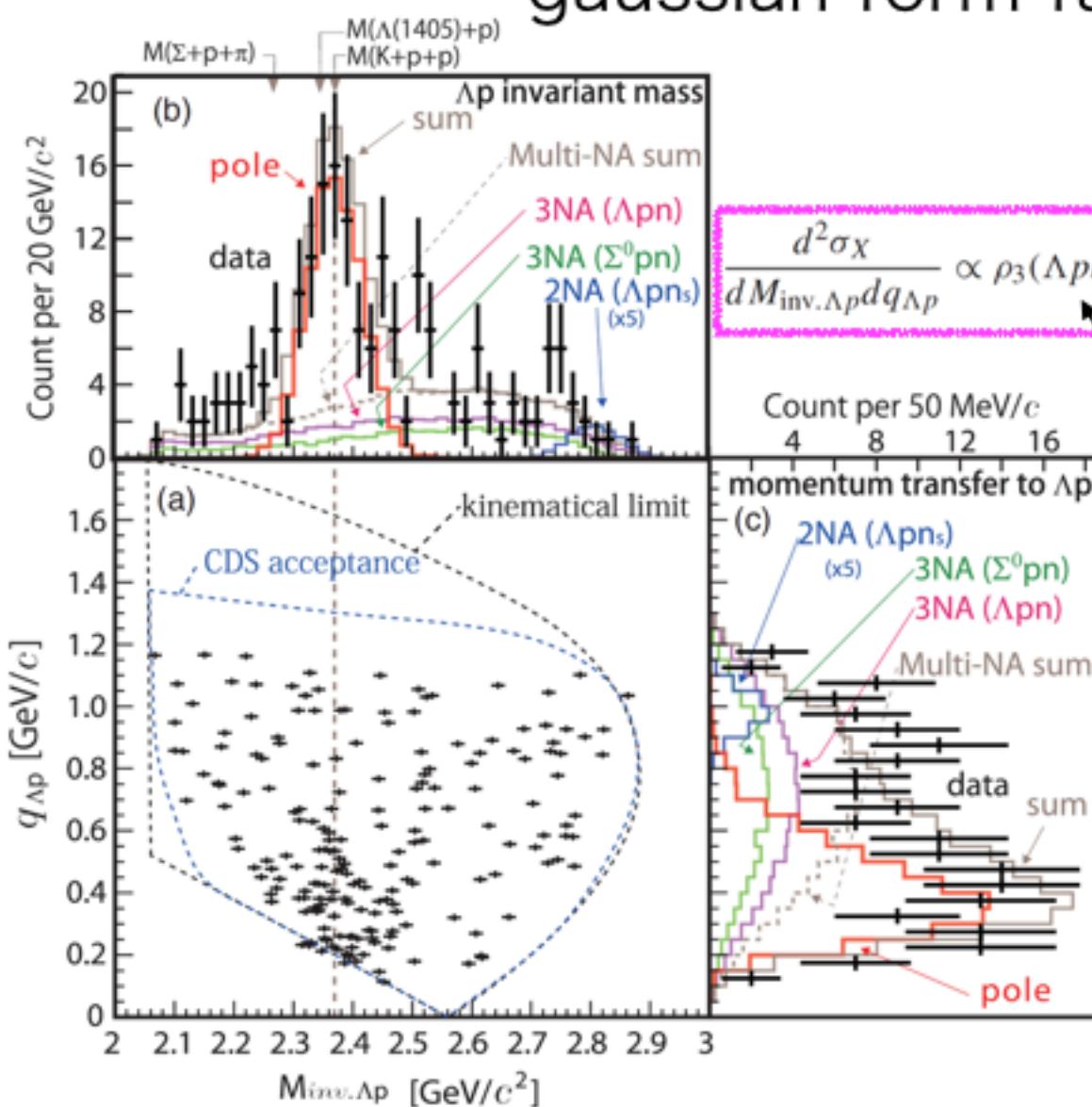


- $\Lambda(1405)$  production in 2NA followed by  $\Lambda^* p_s \rightarrow \Lambda p$  ?
- S=-1 di-baryon state of  $x \rightarrow \Lambda p$  ?

# Could the structure be a di-baryon?

assume

- single pole resonance with Breit-Wigenr line shape (  $M_X, \Gamma_X$  )
- gaussian form factor ( with  $Q_X$  )



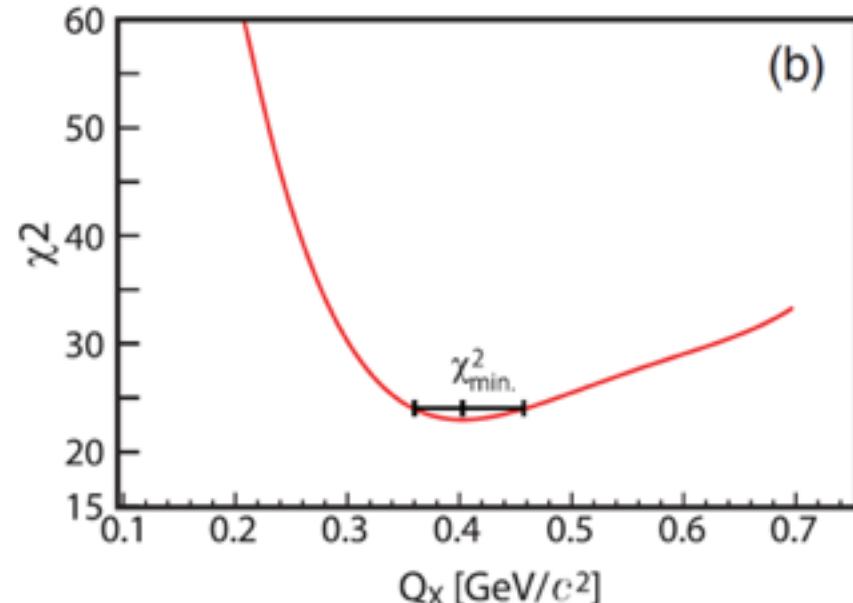
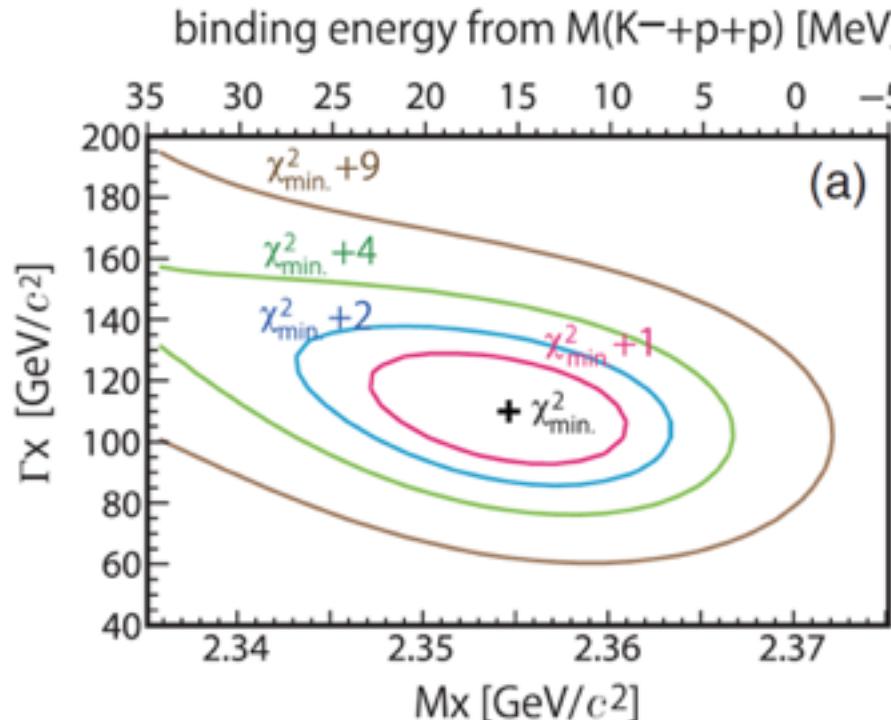
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Breit-Wigenr  
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 $\chi^2$  test have been  
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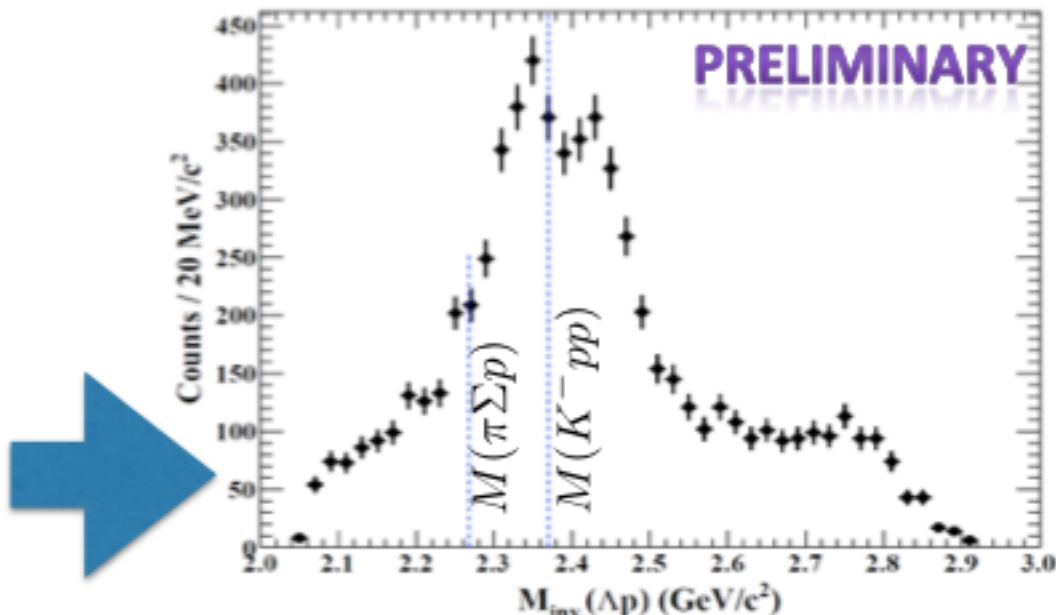
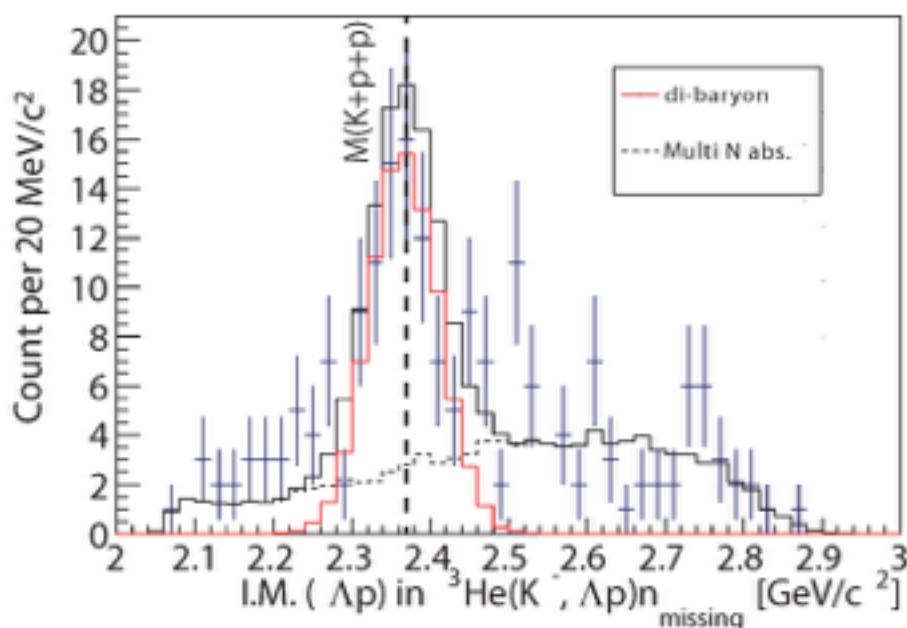
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 $\Gamma_X = 110^{+19}_{-17}(\text{stat.}) \pm 27(\text{syst.}) \text{ MeV}/c^2$  shallow potential?  
 $Q_X = 400^{+60}_{-40} \text{ MeV}/c \rightarrow 0.5 \text{ fm?}$   
compact system?

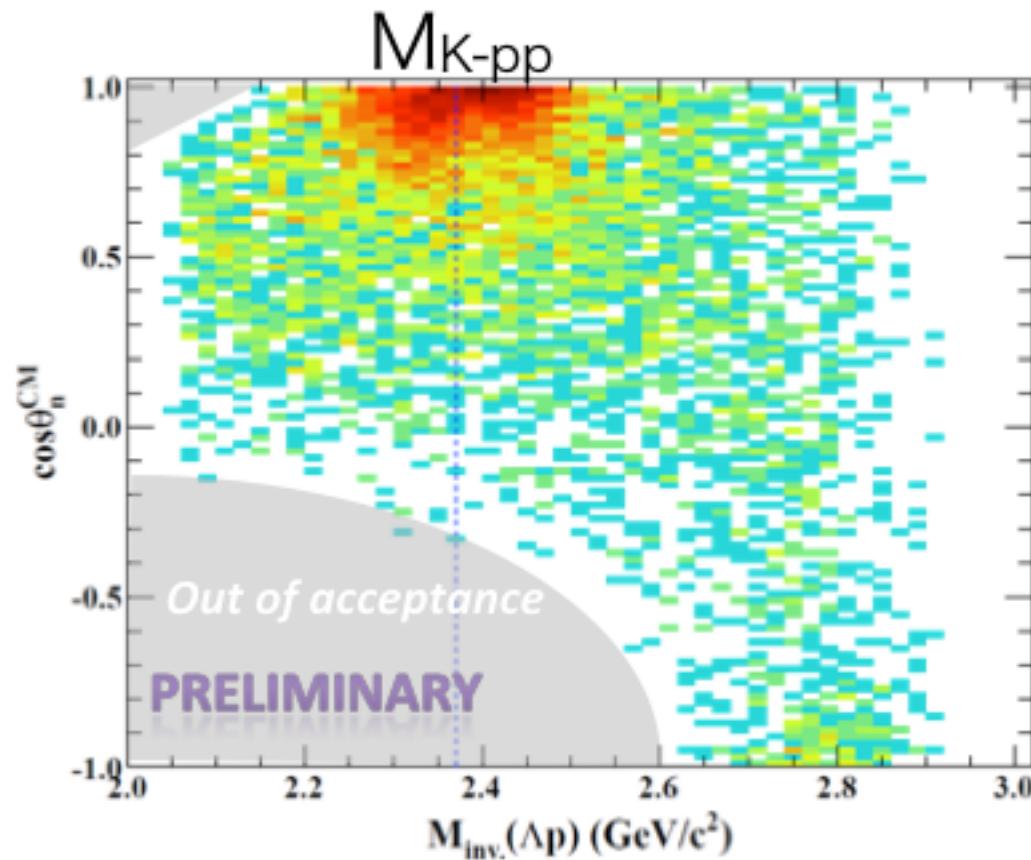
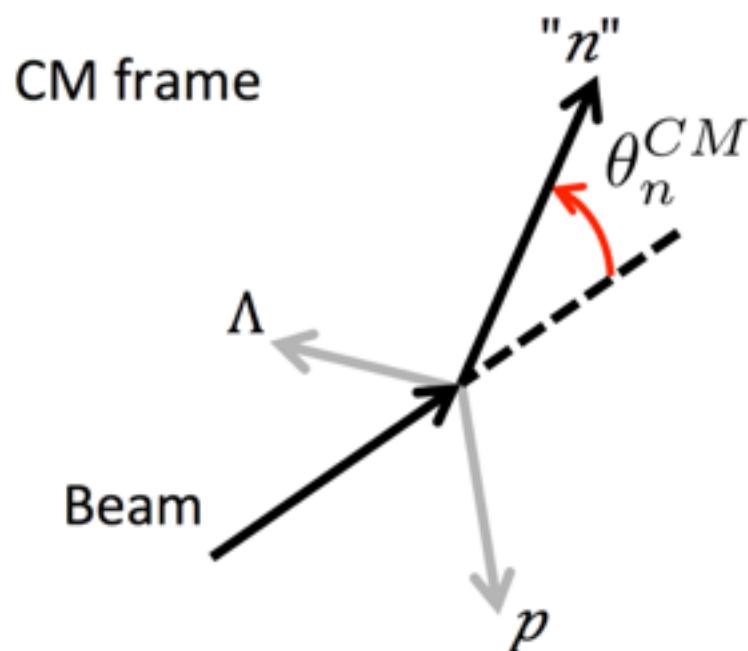
Detail analysis to investigate structure  
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30 times more data are taken in 2015



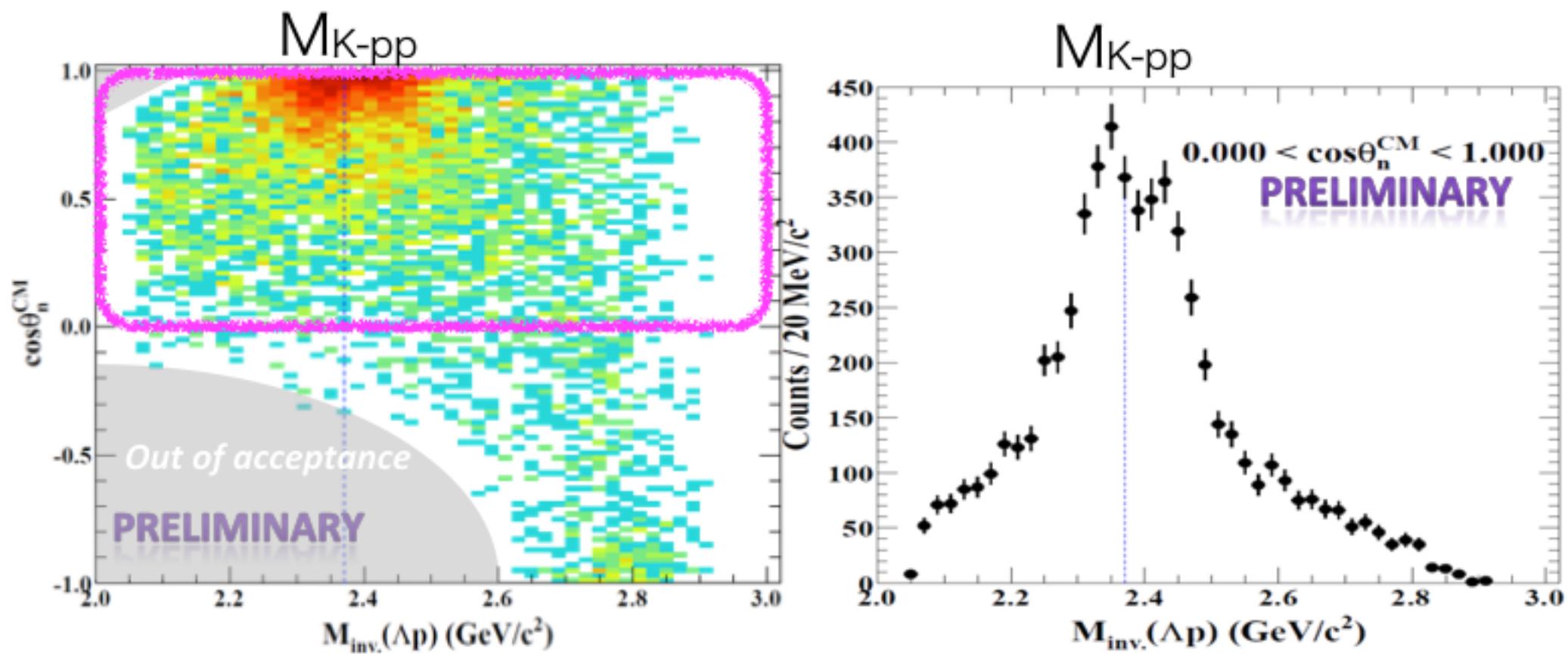
Global structure seems to be confirmed

# $\Lambda p$ invariant mass v.s. neutron emission angle



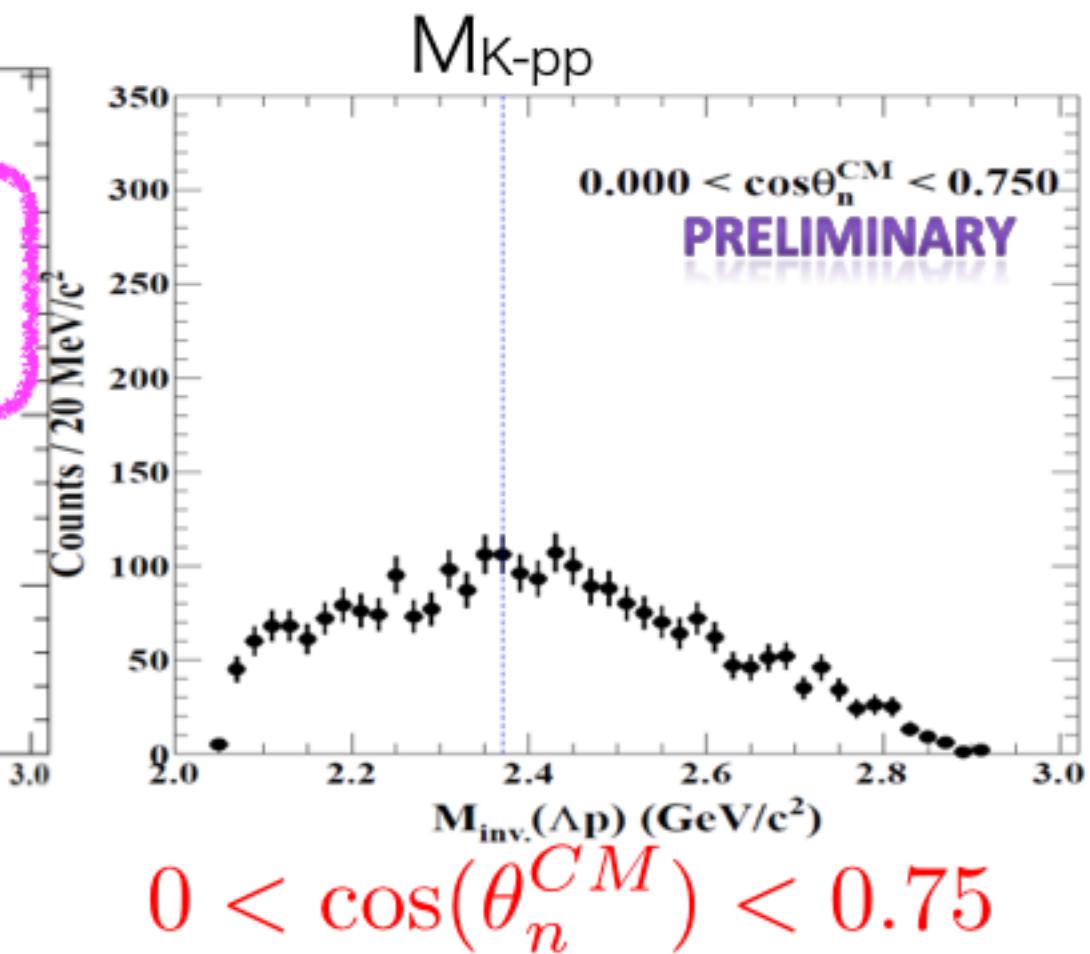
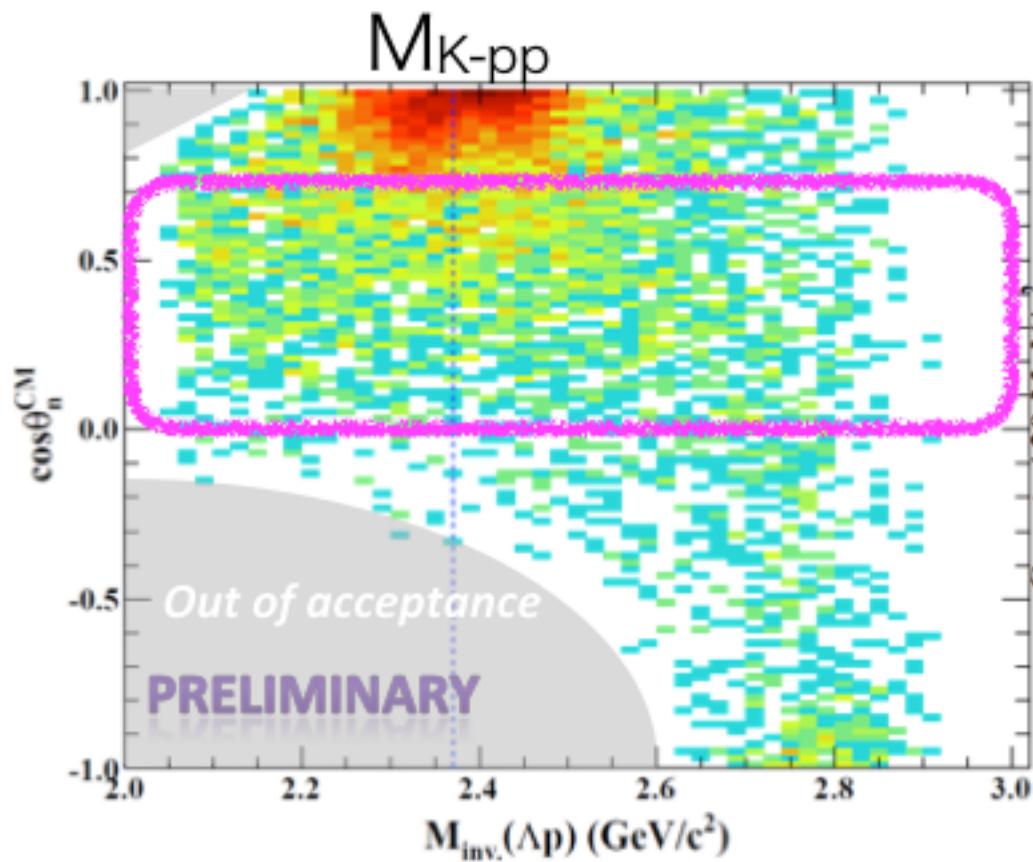
Events clearly concentrated around K-pp threshold  
when neutron emitted to forward direction

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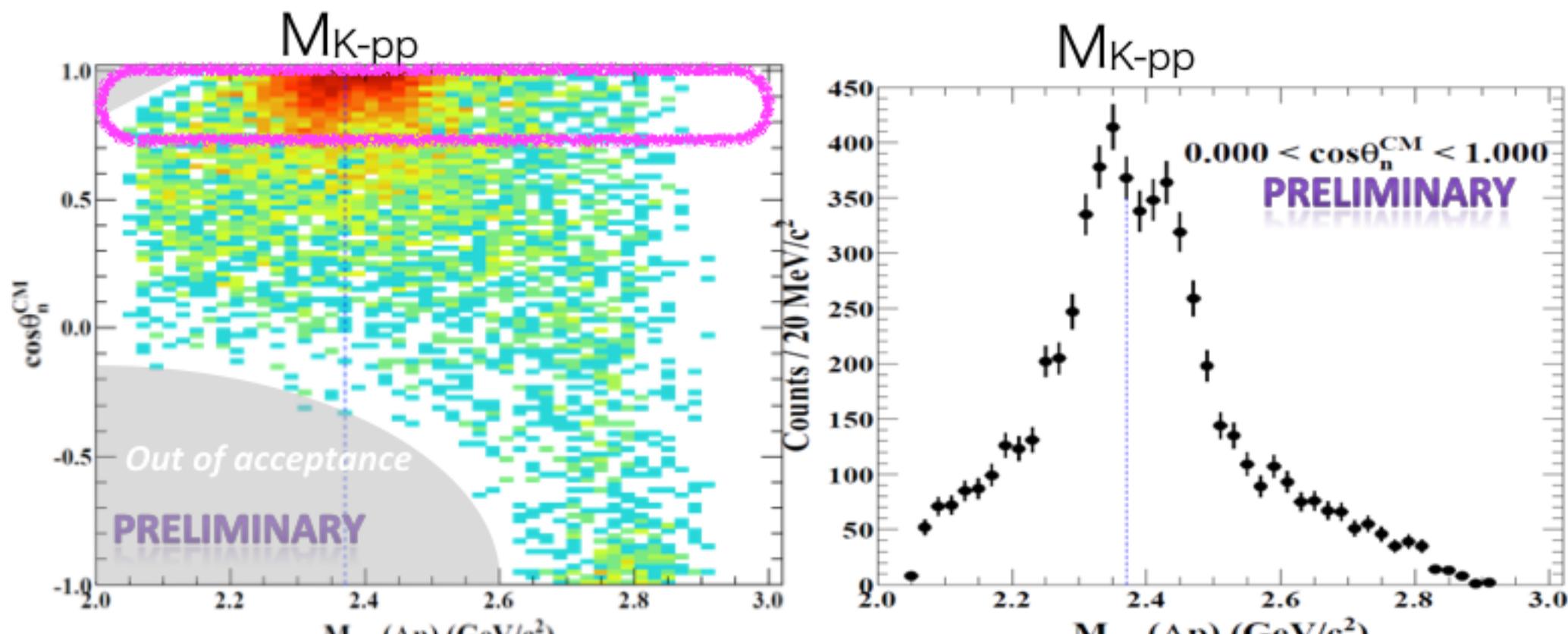


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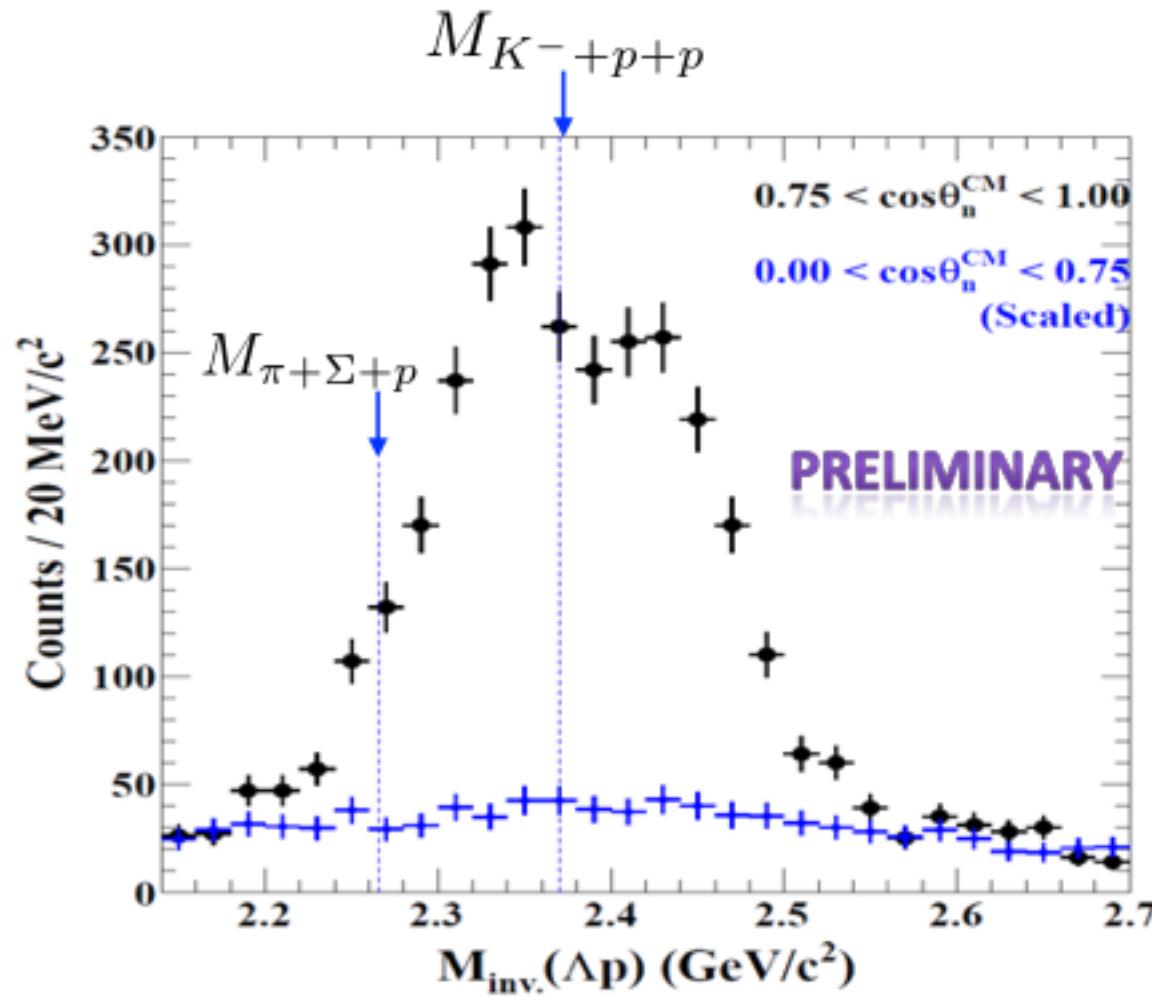


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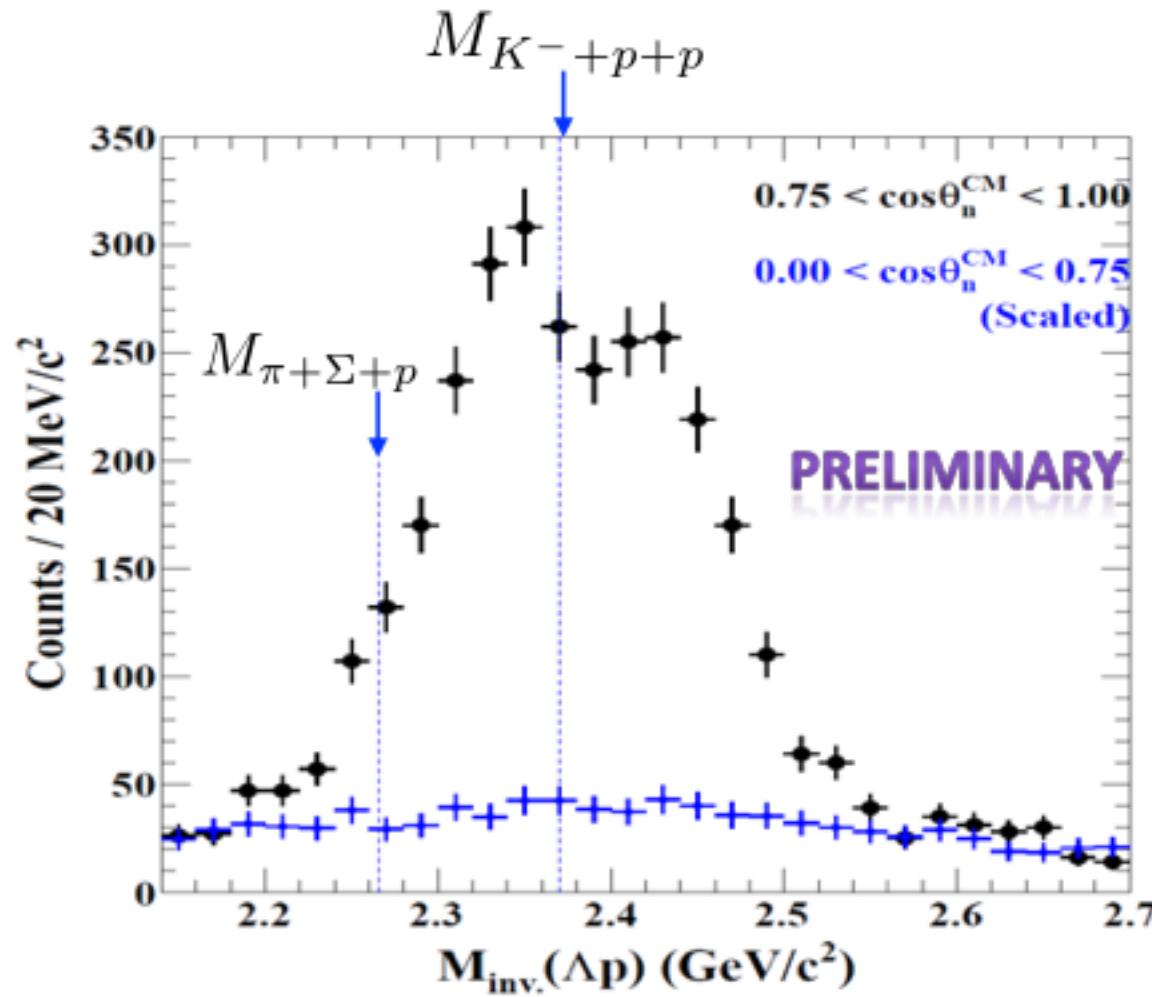


$0.75 < \cos(\theta_n^{\text{CM}}) < 1.0$

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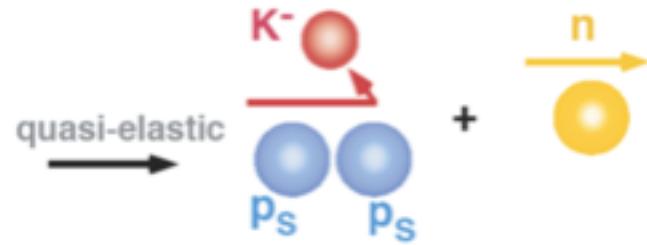


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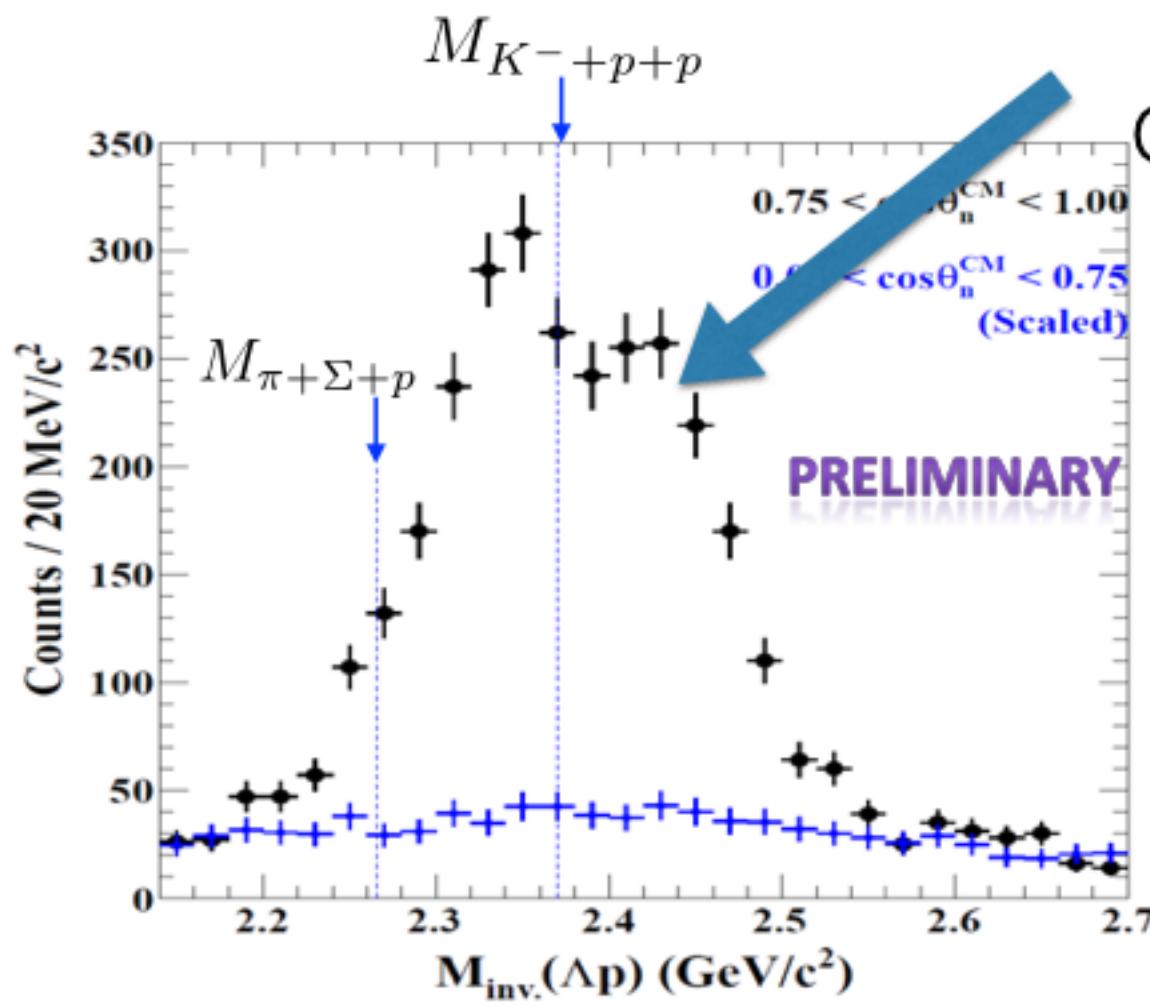


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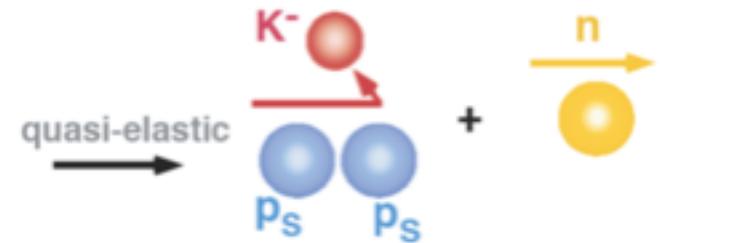


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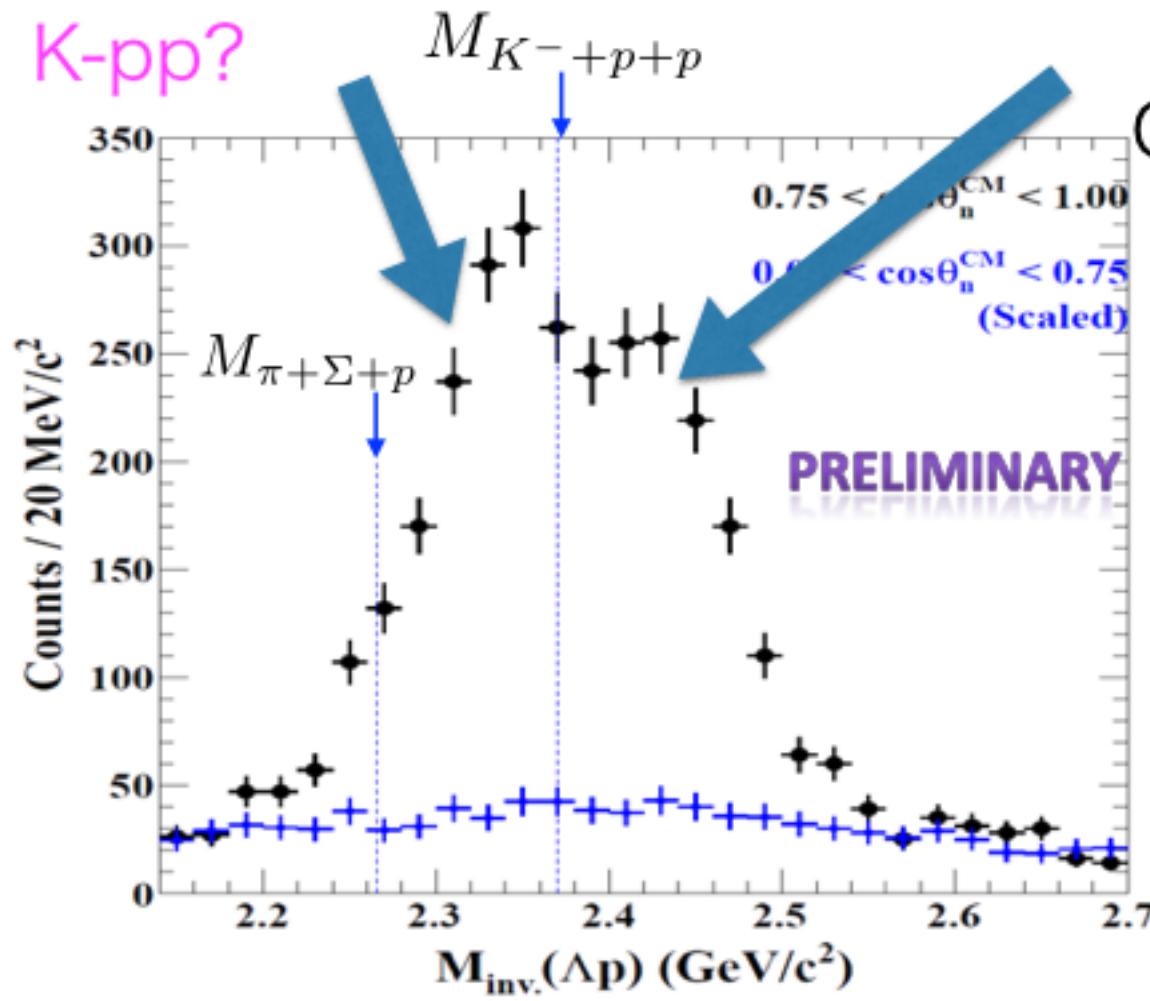
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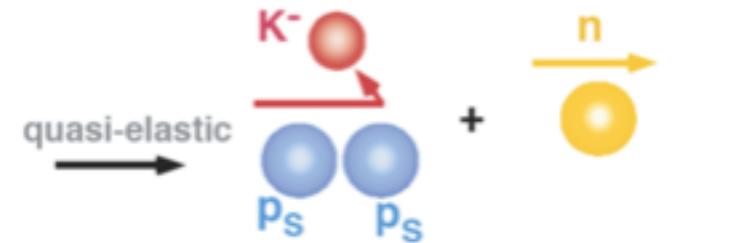


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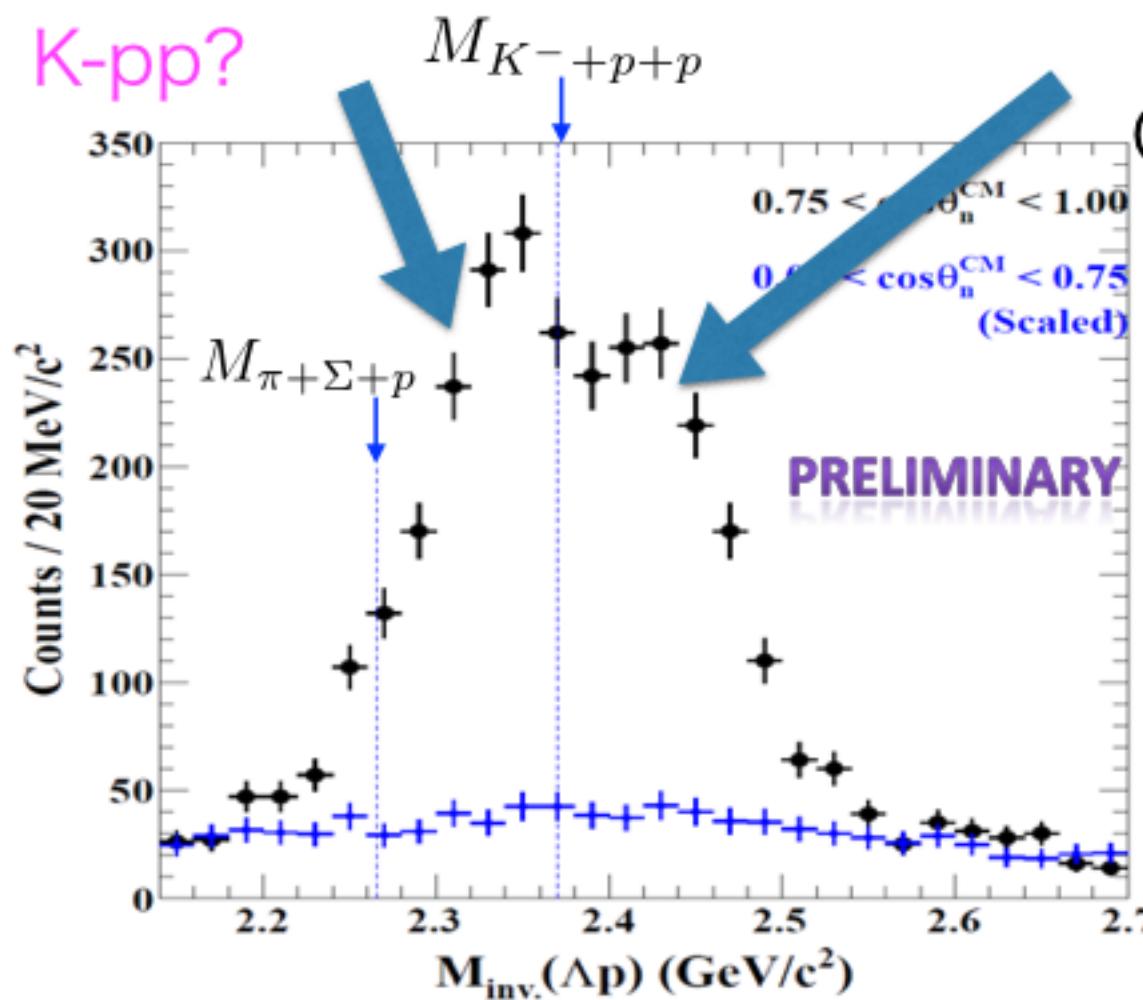
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# Summary

- Interesting structure found in  $\Lambda p$  invariant mass spectra on the K-pp production threshold via  ${}^3\text{He}(\text{K}-,\Lambda p)\text{n}$  reaction
- The structure may strongly related with S=-1 dibaryon state

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$$M_x \sim 2355 \text{ MeV}/c^2, \quad \Gamma_x \sim 100 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

- Detail investigation on the structure with high statistics is in progress

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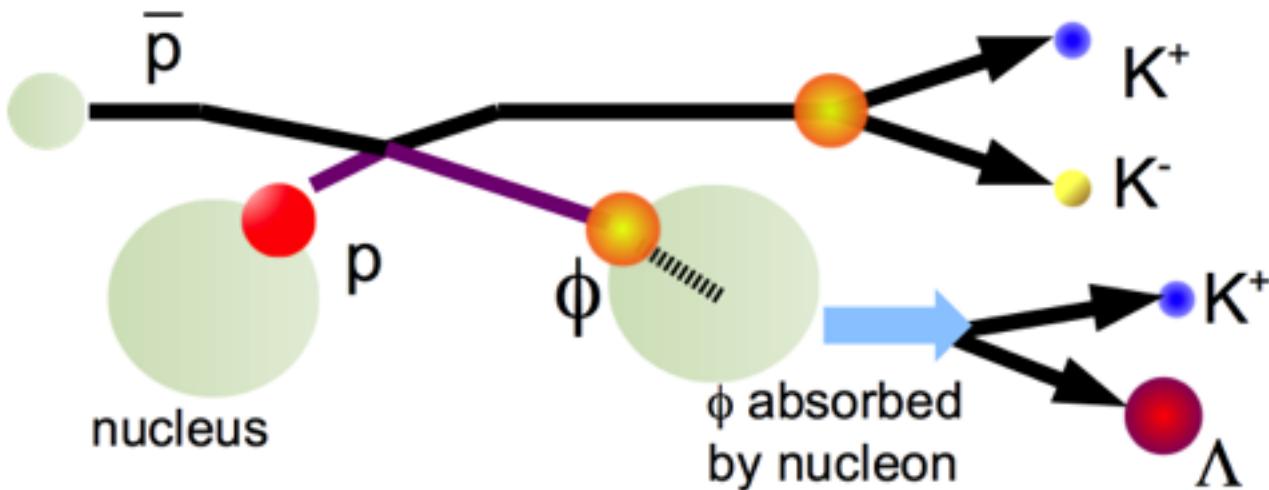
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# Future direction about Kaonic nucleus

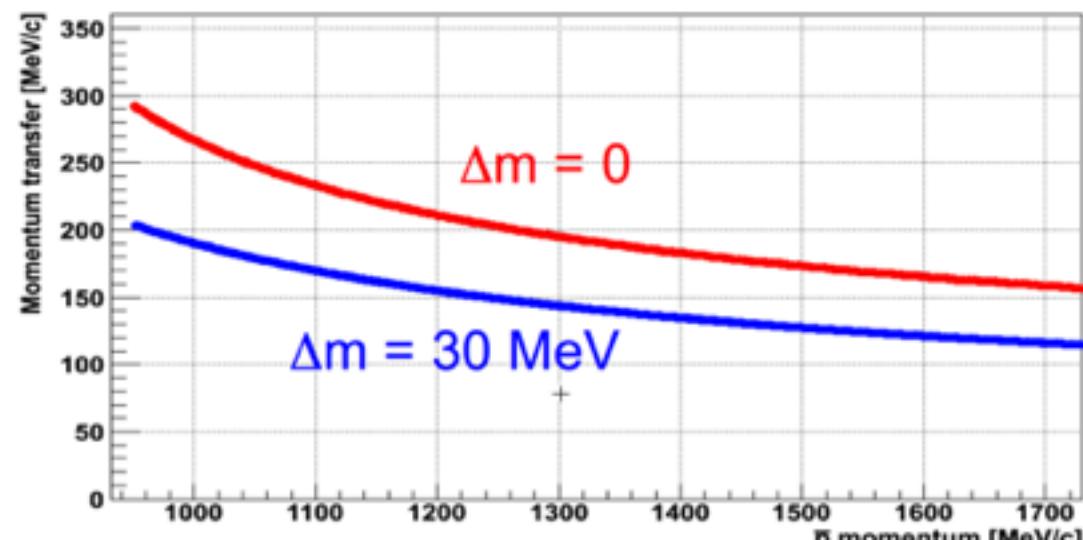
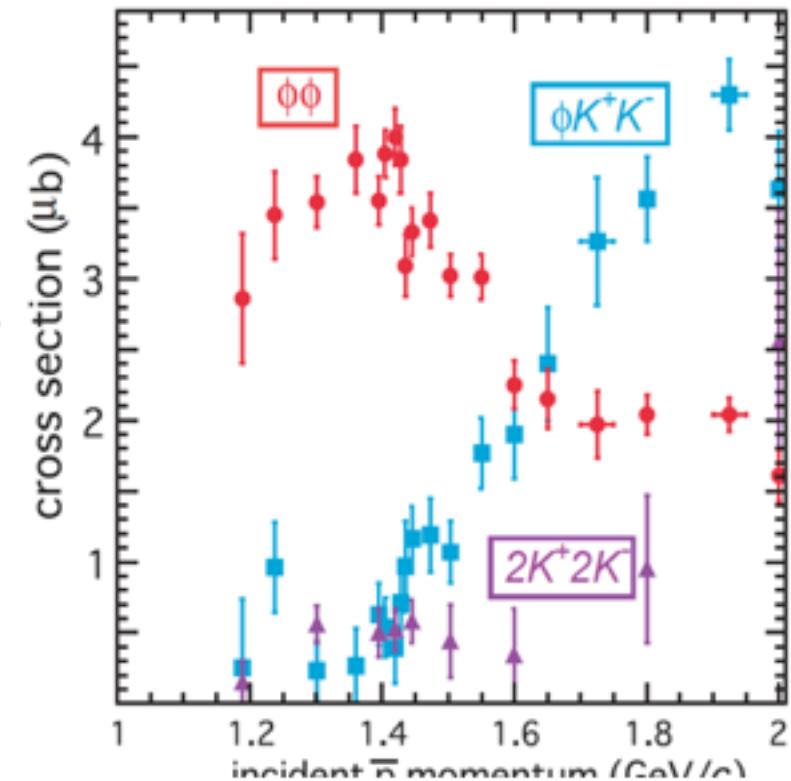
- if existence of K-pp state is established
  - Can we determine quantum numbers?  
(spin and parity)
  - How about K- in heavier nucleus?  
(K-ppn / K-ppp / K-C)
  - double K- nucleus
  - How about meson other than K-  
i.e.  $\eta'$ ,  $\phi$  etc.

# $\phi$ in nucleus : J-PARC E29

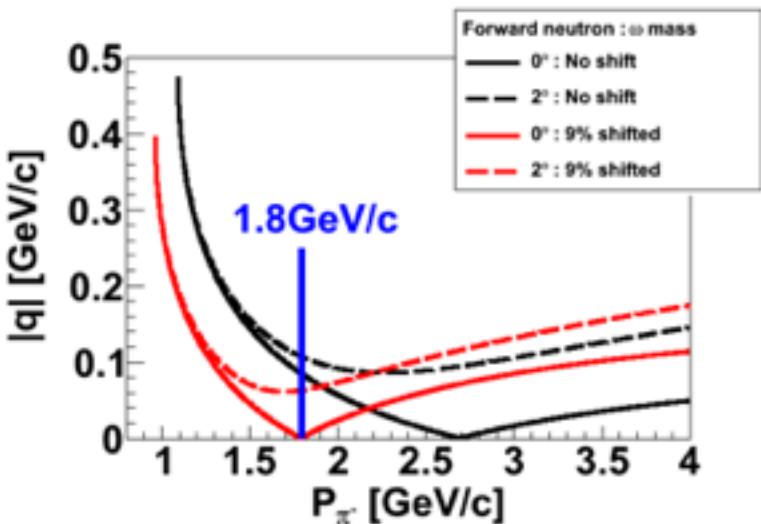
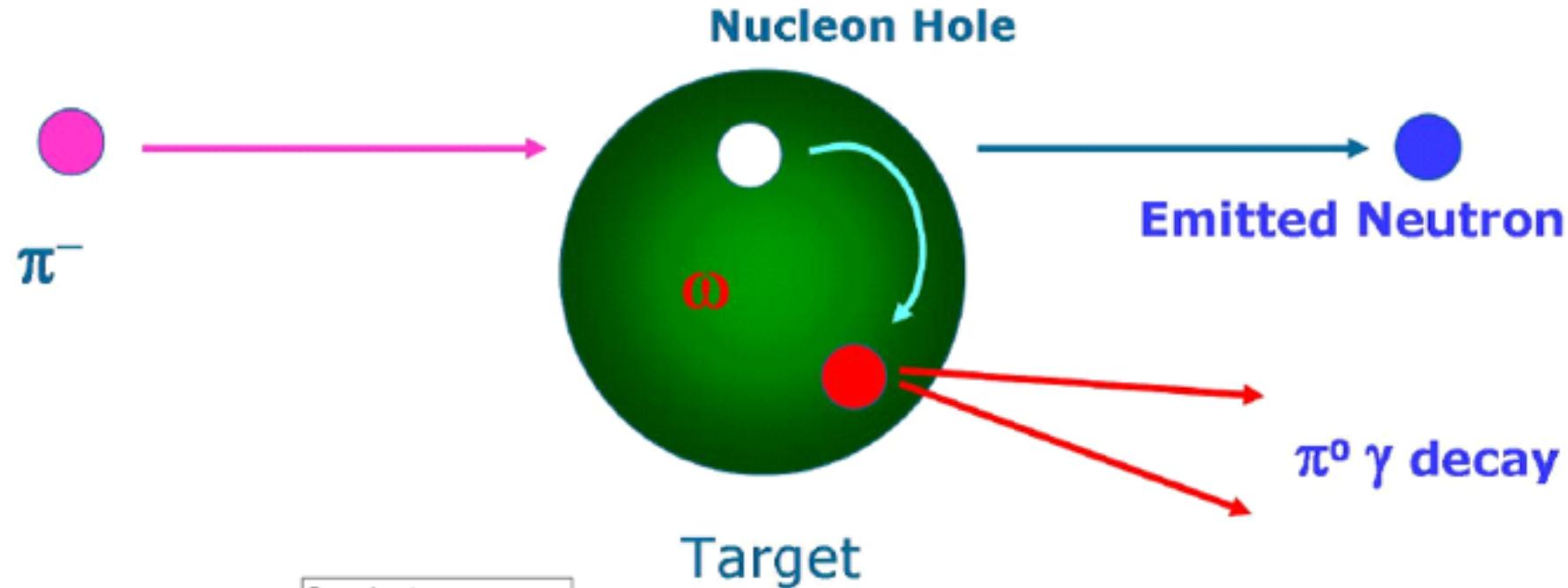


using  $p(p, \phi)\phi$  reaction

antiproton beam with  
1.0 – 1.1 GeV/c



# $\omega$ in nucleus : J-PARC E29



detecting forward going neutron  
and  $\pi^0 \gamma \rightarrow \gamma \gamma \gamma$  simultaneously

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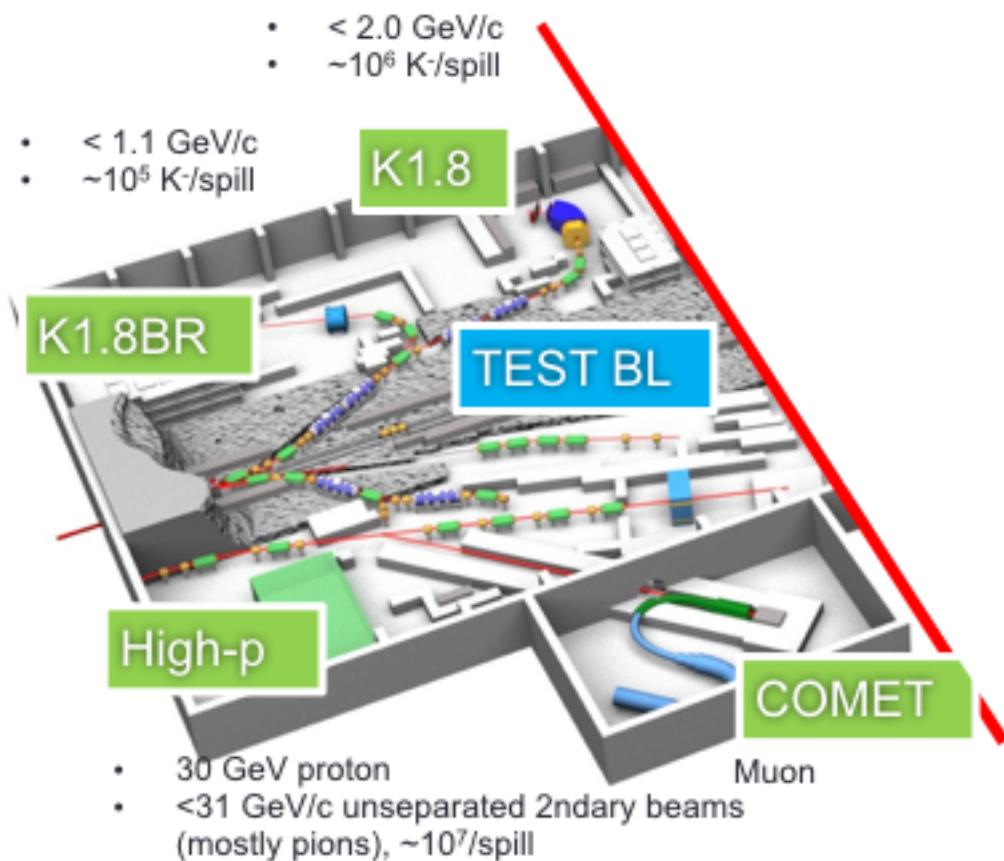
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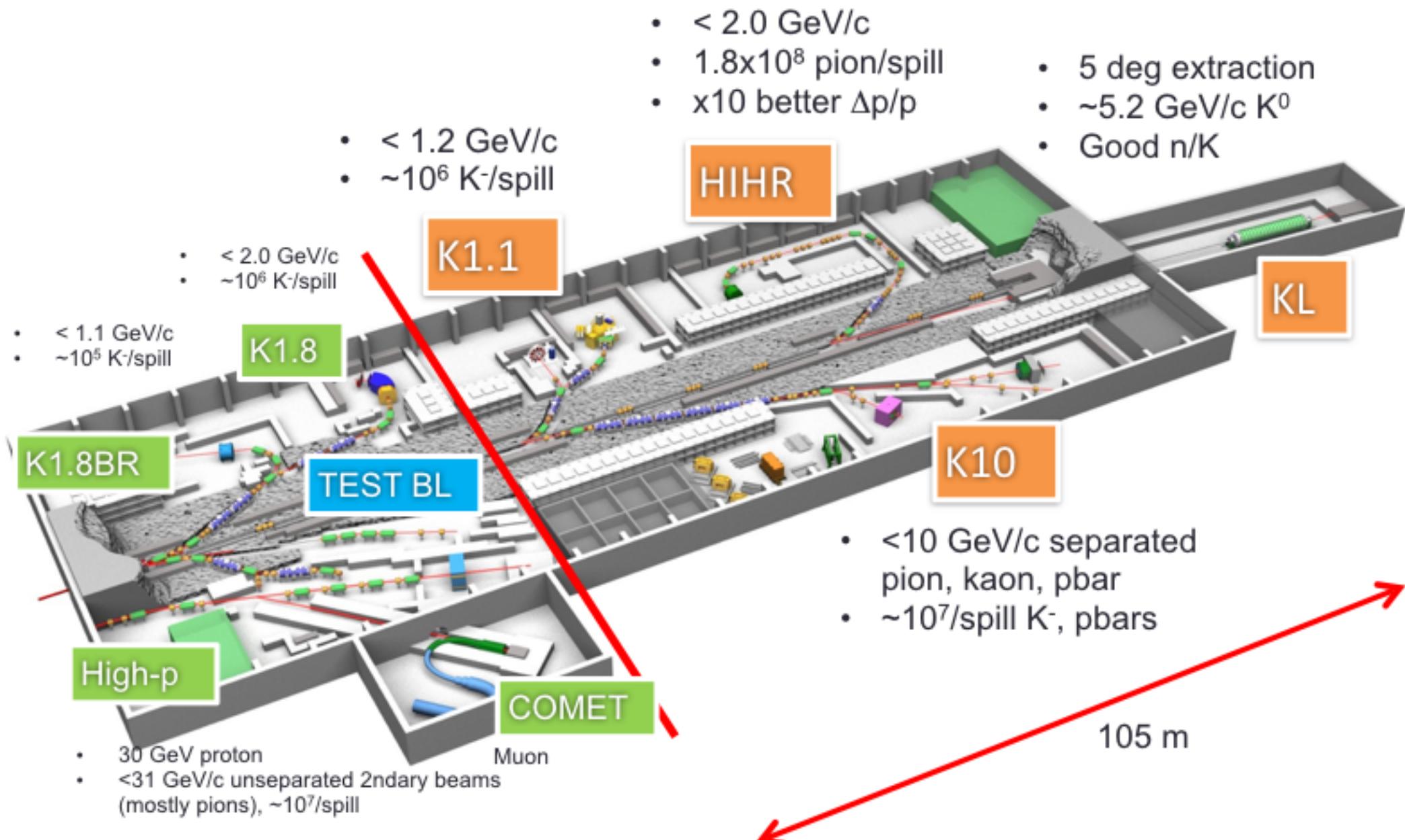
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Physics with flavor frontier

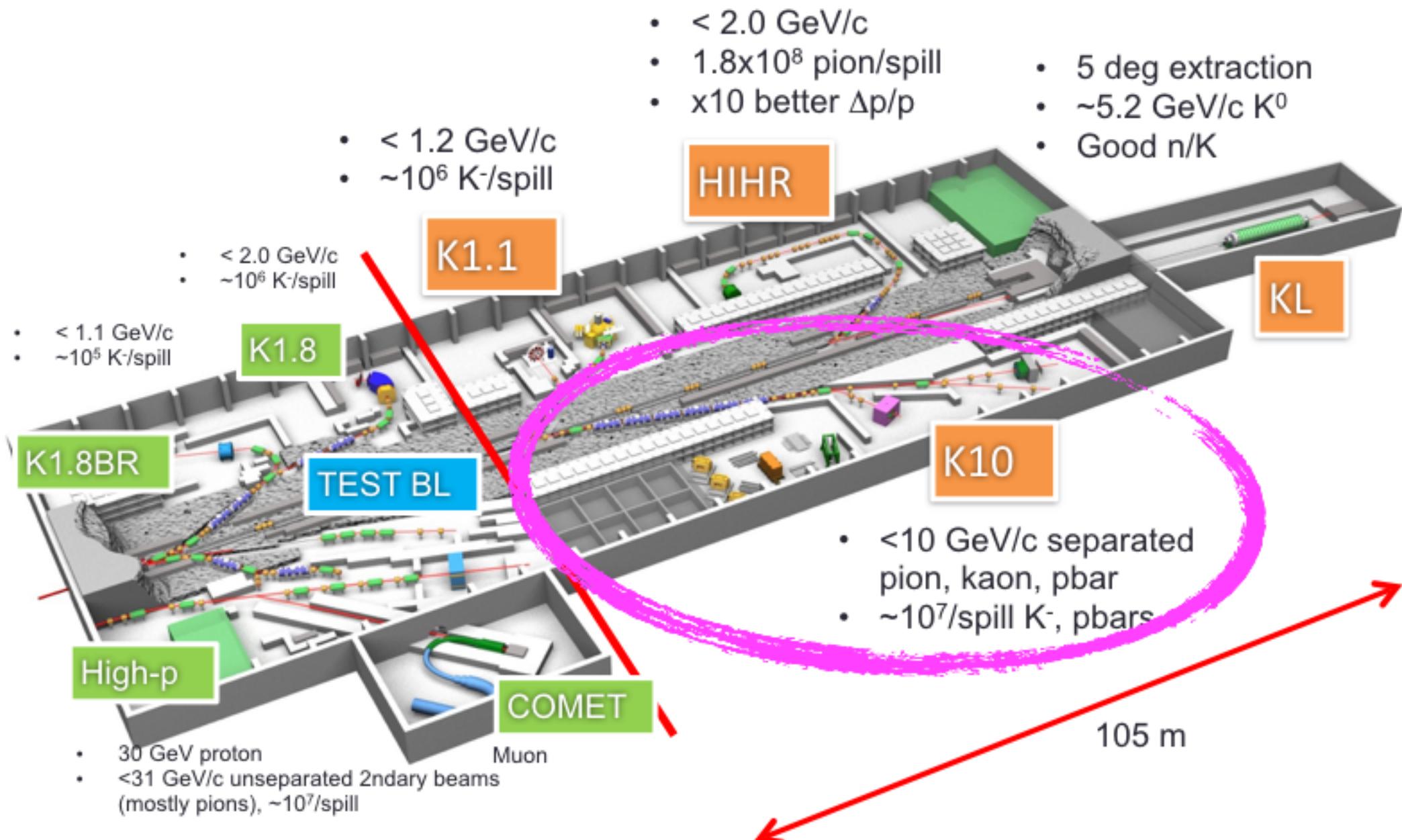
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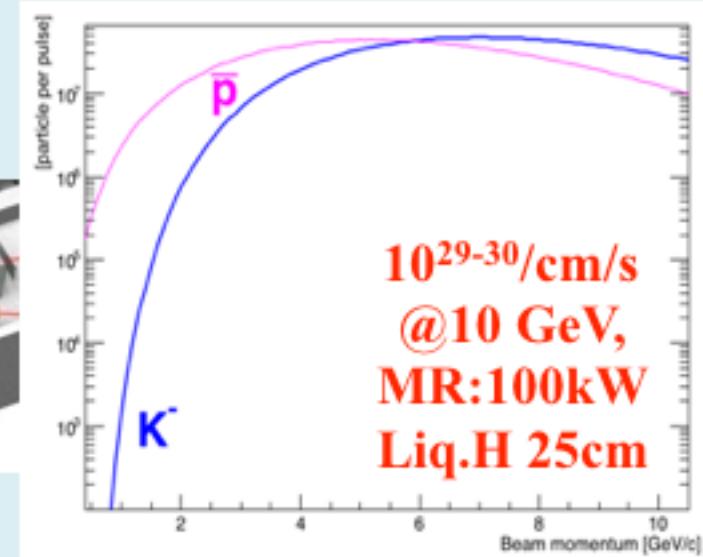
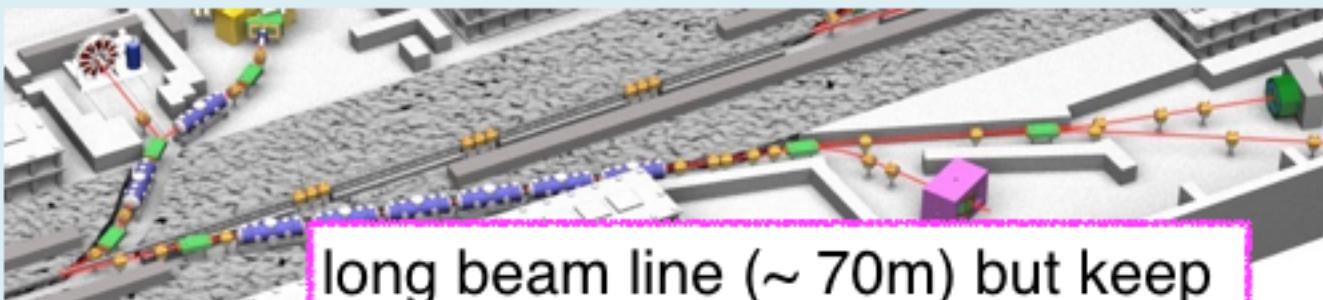


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# Physics at K10

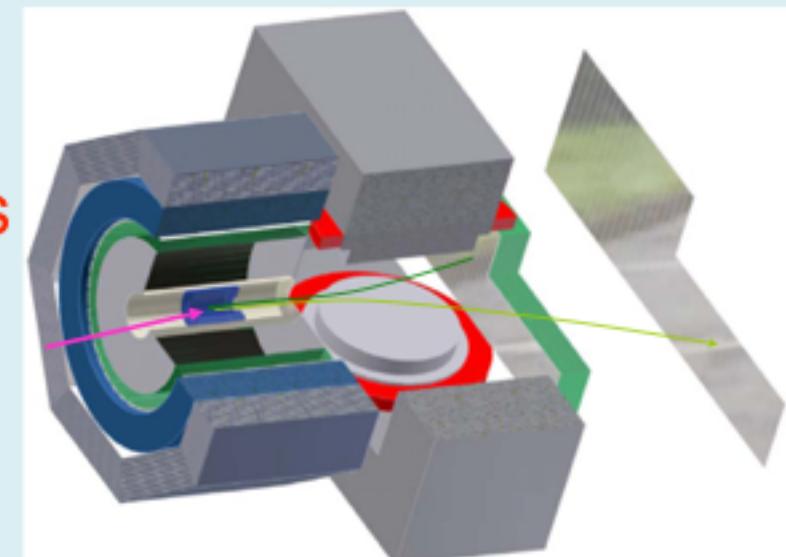
- Anti-proton beam up to 10 GeV/c will open the new window to explore charm physics at J-PARC
- Design for the beam line is in progress.



- Typical beam intensity  $\Xi^* / \Omega / \text{scalar meson w/ strangeness}$
  - $K^-$  : 10 M/6s @ 4-6 GeV/c
  - $p\bar{p}$  : 10 M/6s @ 10 GeV/c
- charmed meson in nucleus**

Design for the detector has been started.

- Large solid angle spectrometer  
(large solenoid + Dipole in forward)



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Most aggressive scenario:

we expected to have first beam in 2021/2022

*Thank you  
very much*

