

# Studies of light hypernuclei with heavy ion beams and image analyses

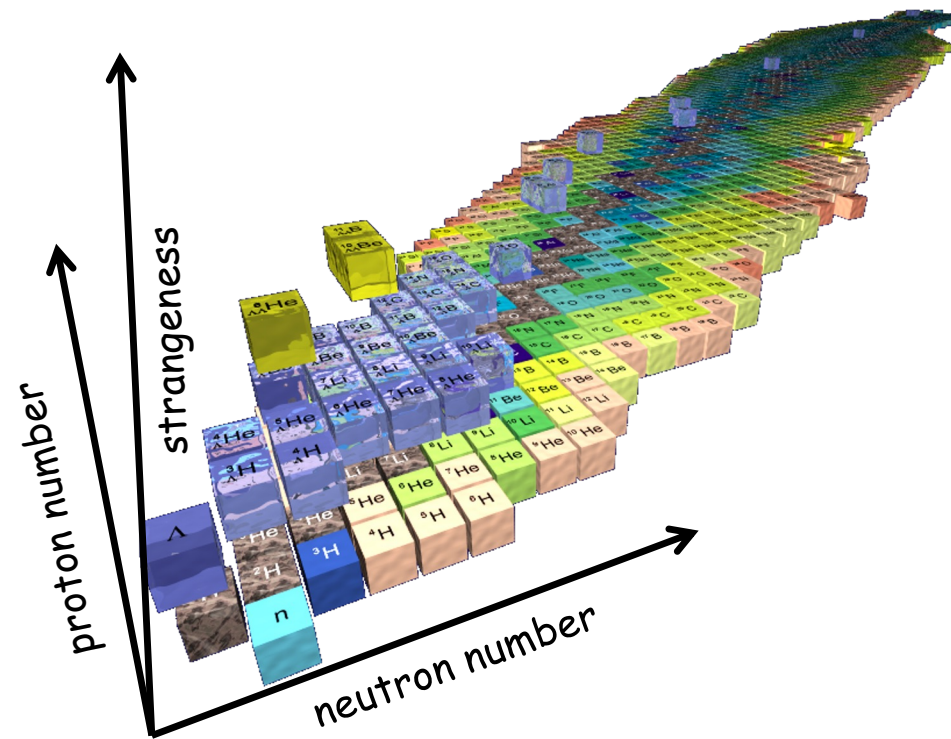
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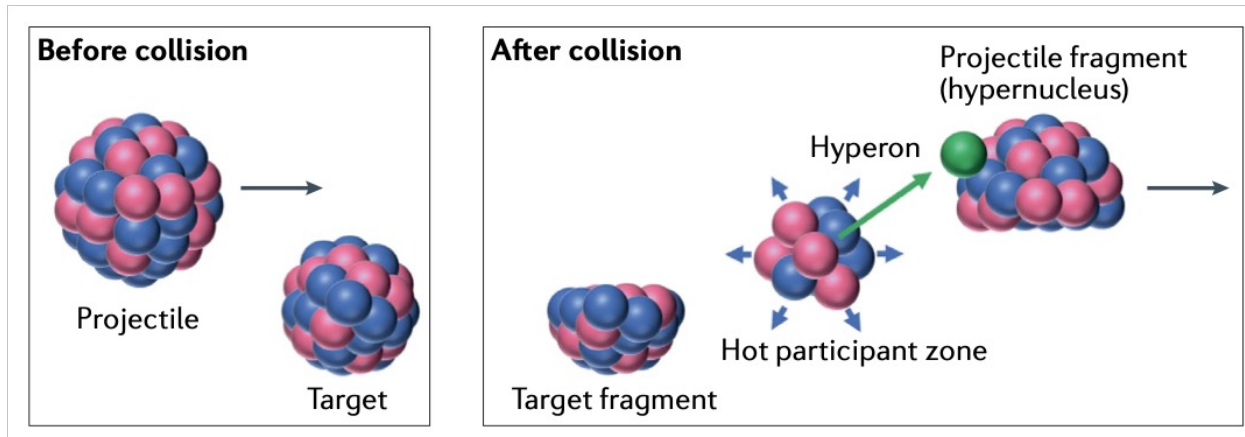


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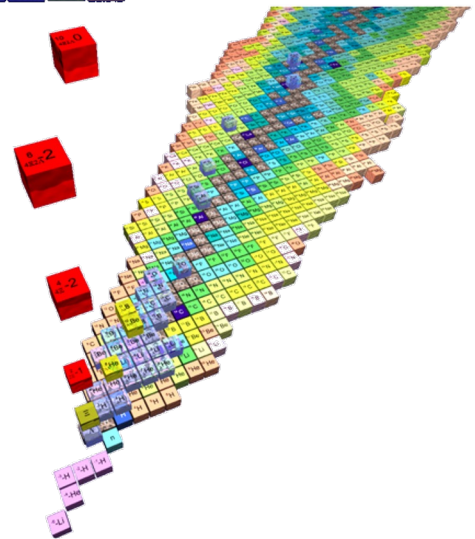
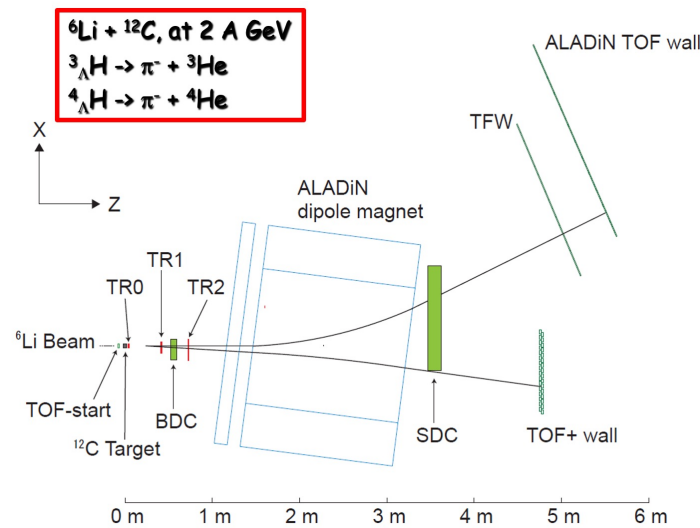
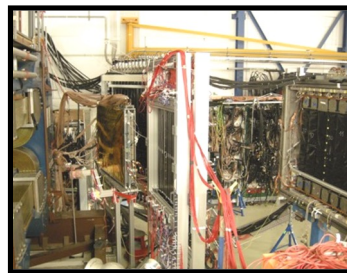
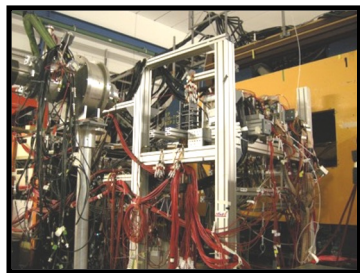
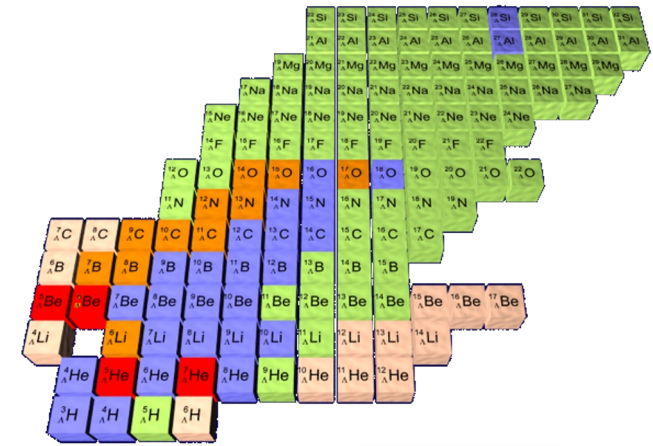
# Chart of ordinary nuclei and hypernuclei



# The HypHI Phase 0 at GSI in Germany (2006-2012)



TRS et al., Nature Reviews Physics 3, 803-813 (2021)



# Two outcomes (mysteries) by HypHI

## Signals indicating $nn\Lambda$ bound state

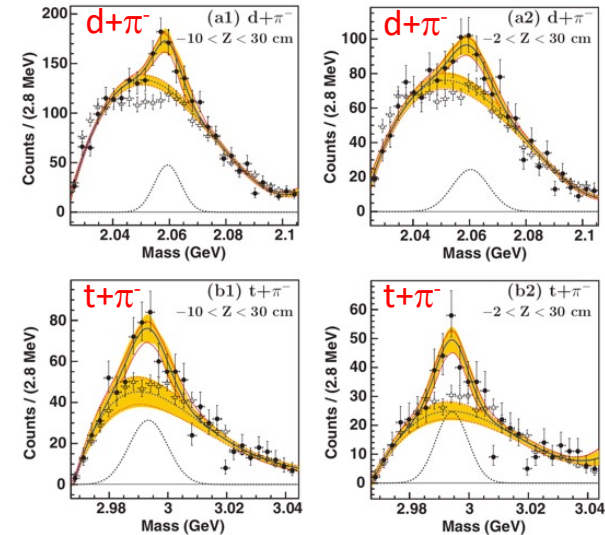
All theoretical calculations are negative

- E. Hiyama et al., Phys. Rev. C89 (2014) 061302(R)
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and much more publication

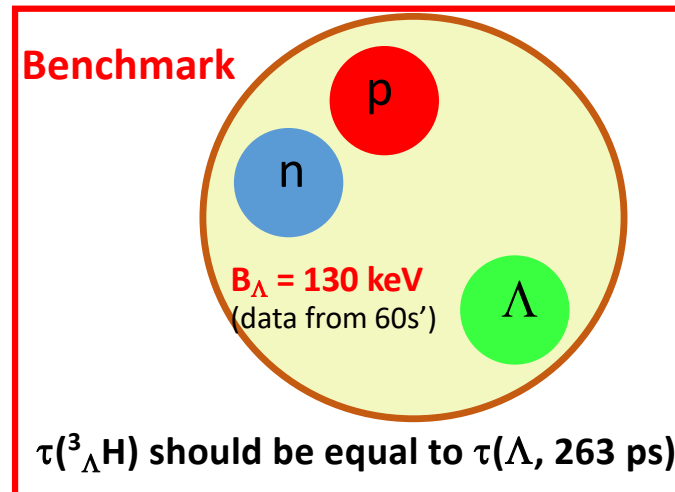
**Short lifetime of  ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$**  C. Rappold et al., Nucl. Phys. A 913 (2013) 170

- HypHI Phase 0:  $183^{+42}_{-32}$  ps

Stimulated other **big** experiments

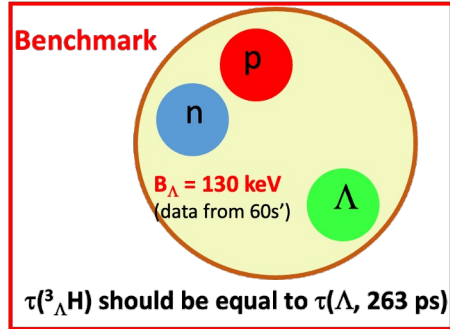


C. Rappold et al., PRC 88 (2013) 041001

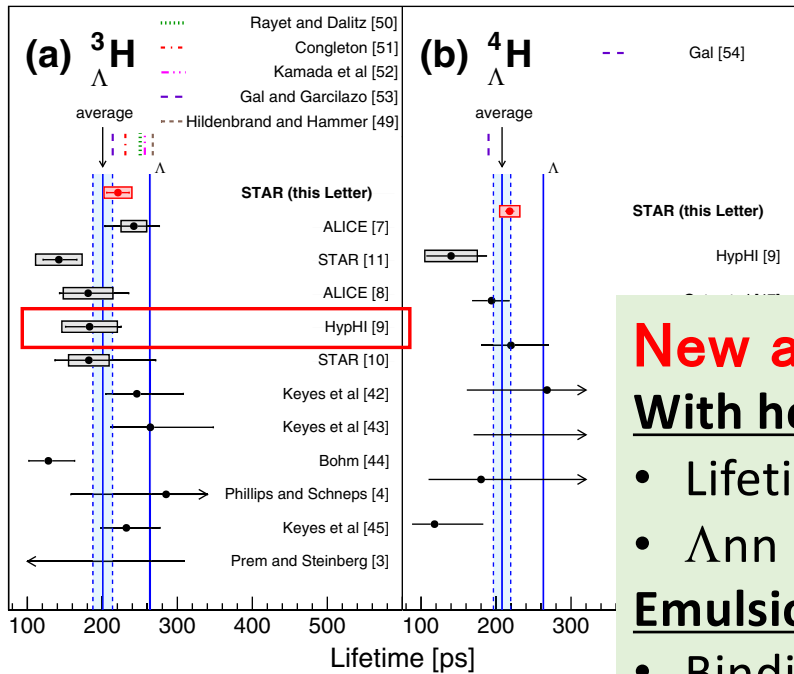


# The world situation of three-body hypernuclei

On hypertriton



Average  
 $200 \pm 13 \text{ ps}$



STAR Collaboration, PRL **128** (2022) 202301

On  $\Lambda nn$

$^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$  Binding energy

$B_{\Lambda}(^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}) : 0.13 \pm 0.05 \text{ MeV}$

G. Bohm et al., NPB **4** (1968) 511

M. Juric et al., NPB **52** (1973) 1

STAR (2020)

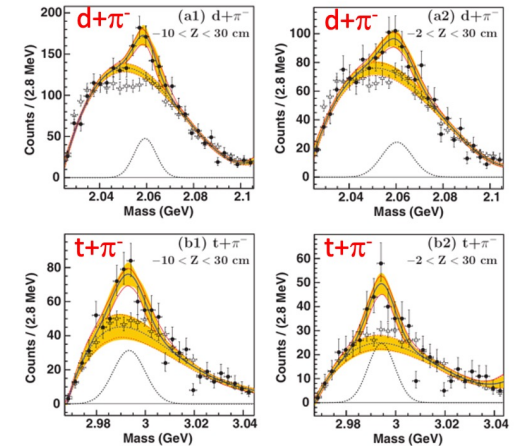
$0.41 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.11 \text{ MeV}$

STAR Collaboration,  
Nat. Phys. **16** (2020) 409

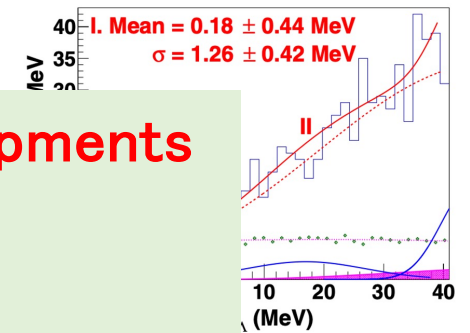
ALICE

$0.102 \pm 0.063 \pm 0.067 \text{ MeV}$

Phys. Rev. Lett. **131**, 102302 (2023)



HypHI, PRC **88** (2013) 041001



spectrum around the  $\Lambda nn$  thresh-  
re fitted together with the known  
 $\Lambda$  quasifree, the free  $\Lambda$ , and the  
threshold is for the small peak,  
tional strength above the predicted

**New approaches with new developments**

**With heavy ion beams:**

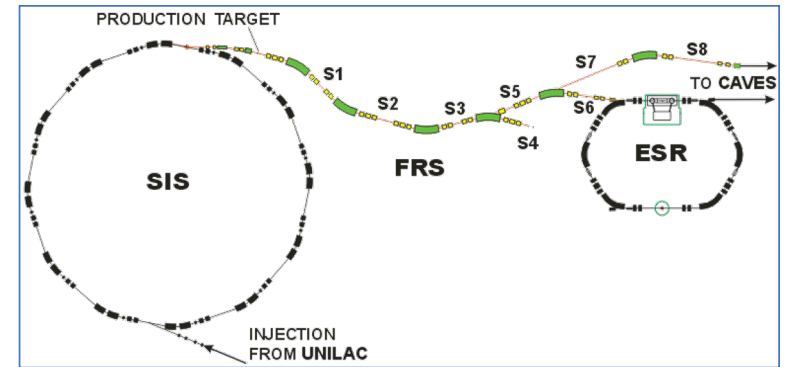
- Lifetime
- $\Lambda nn$

**Emulsion + Machine Learning**

- Binding energy

STAR Collaboration, PRC **105** (2022) L051001

# The novel technique with FRS at GSI (2016-)



extracted beam from SIS-18  
to other experimental areas

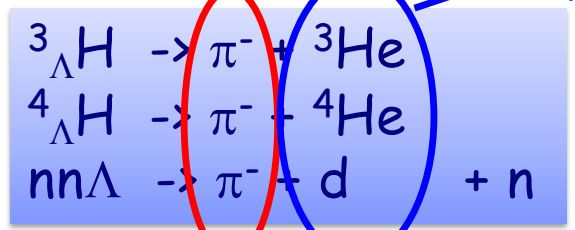
Target area  
- target ladder  
- beam monitors

Larger acceptance for  $\pi^-$   
 $\Delta p/p \sim$  a few %

to other experimental areas

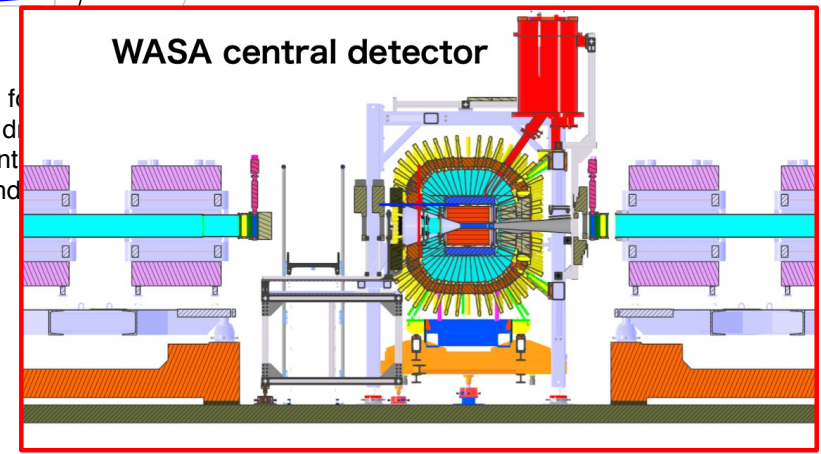
Preparation at GSI started in March 2019  
Experiment conducted in January-March 2022

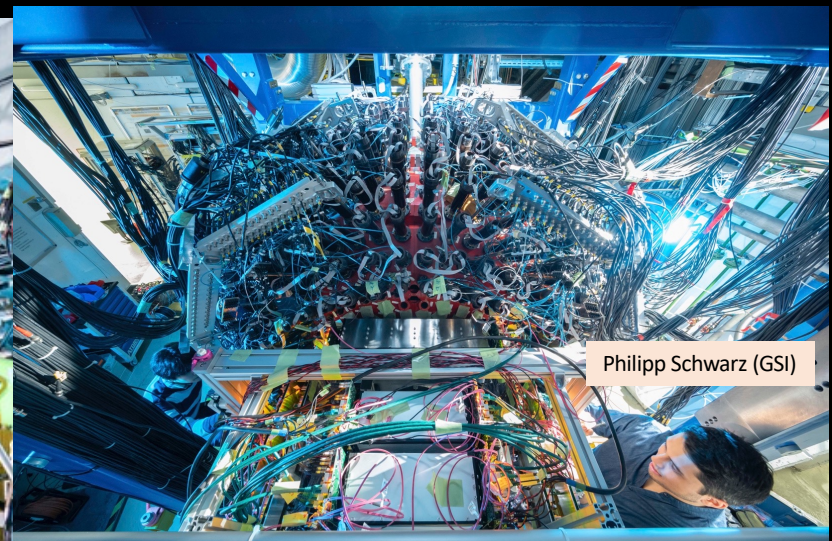
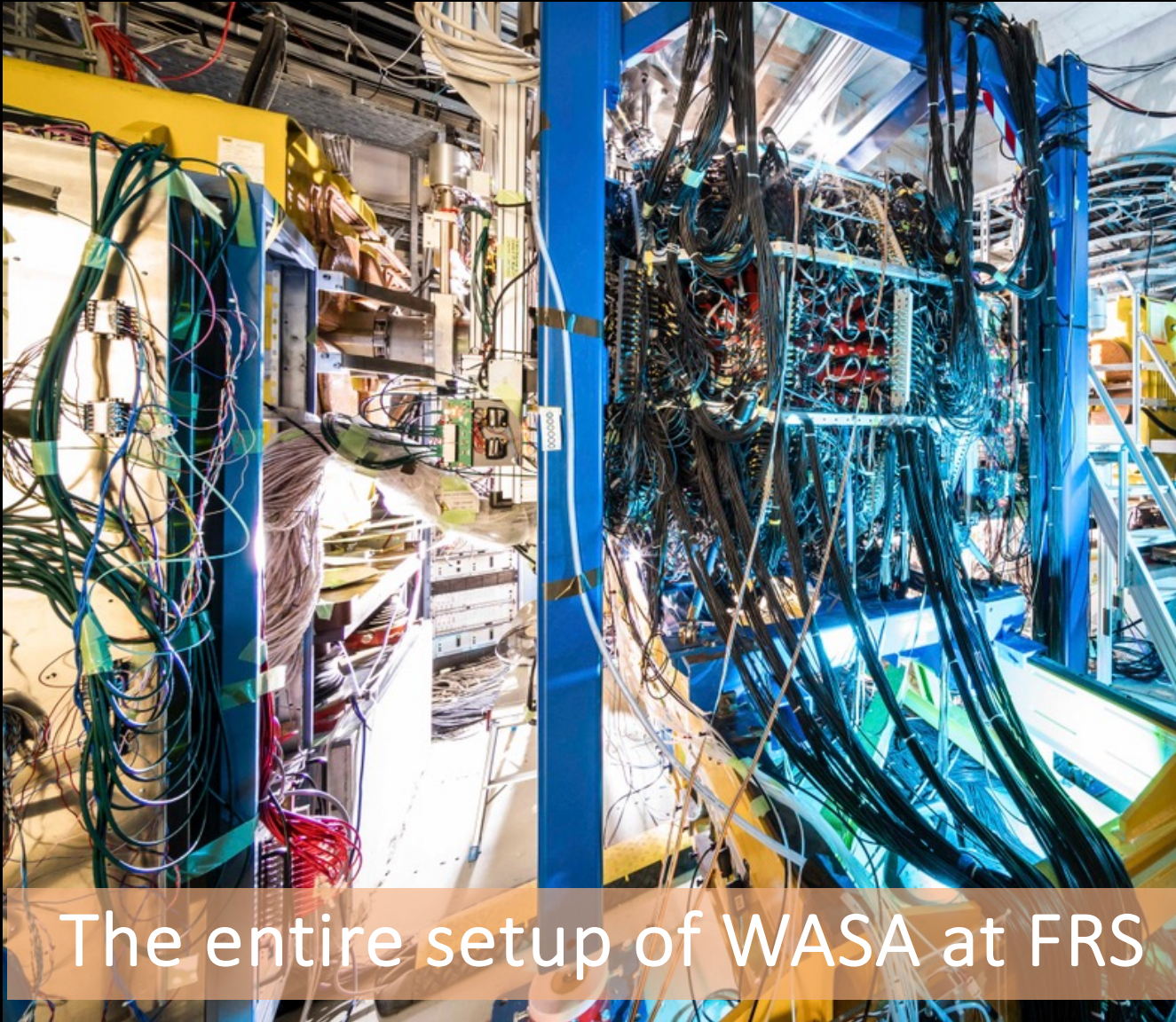
$\Delta p/p = 10^{-4}$



With  ${}^6Li + {}^{12}C$  at 2 A GeV

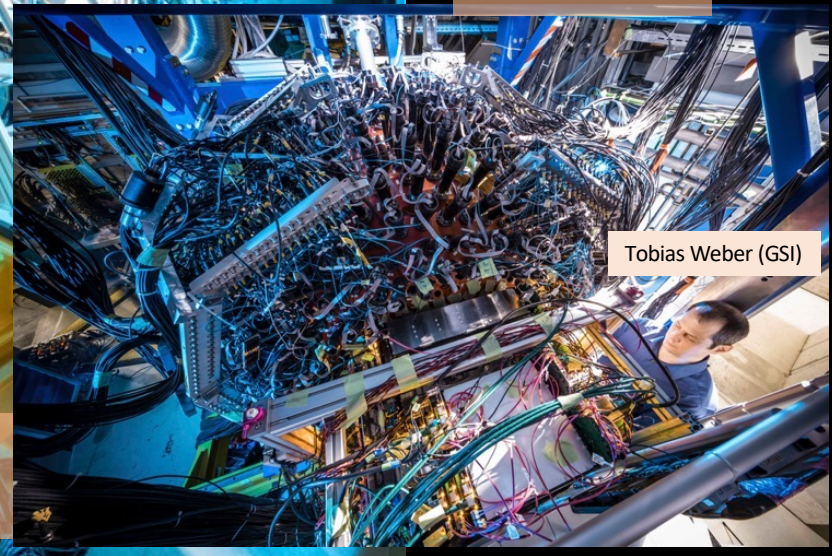
F4 area  
- dispersive fo  
- multi-wire d  
- plastic scint  
- aerogel and





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Up-stream



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# The entire setup of WASA at FRS

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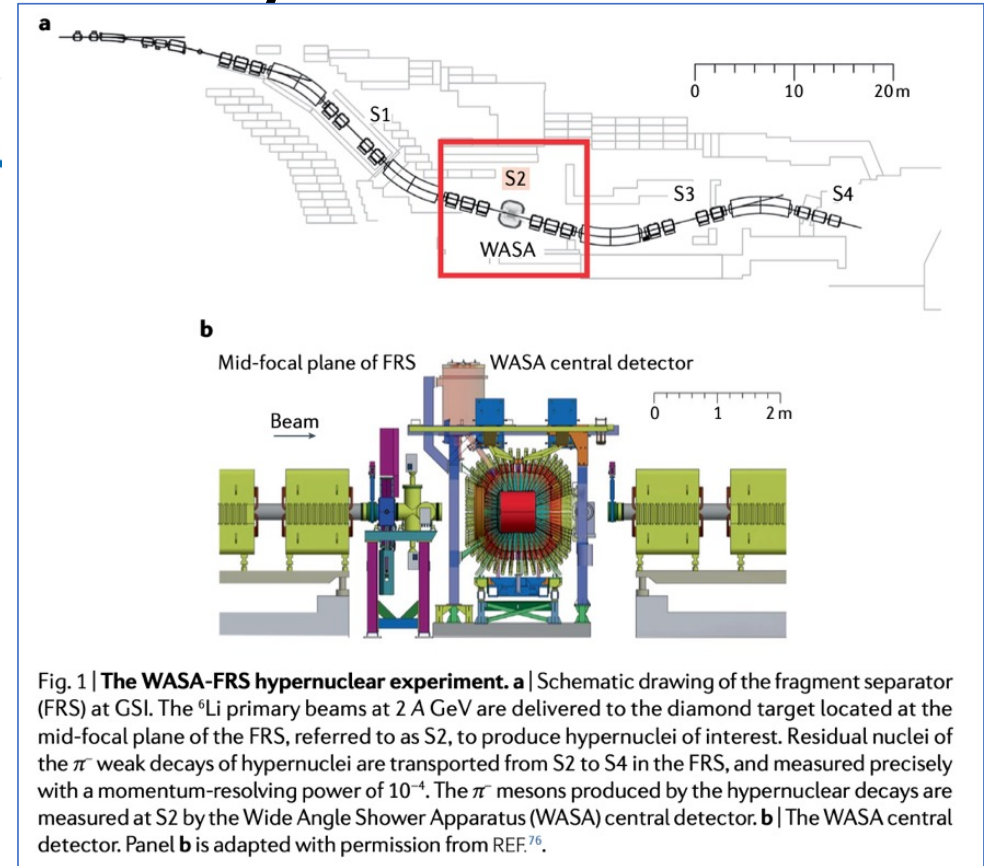
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## New directions in hypernuclear physics

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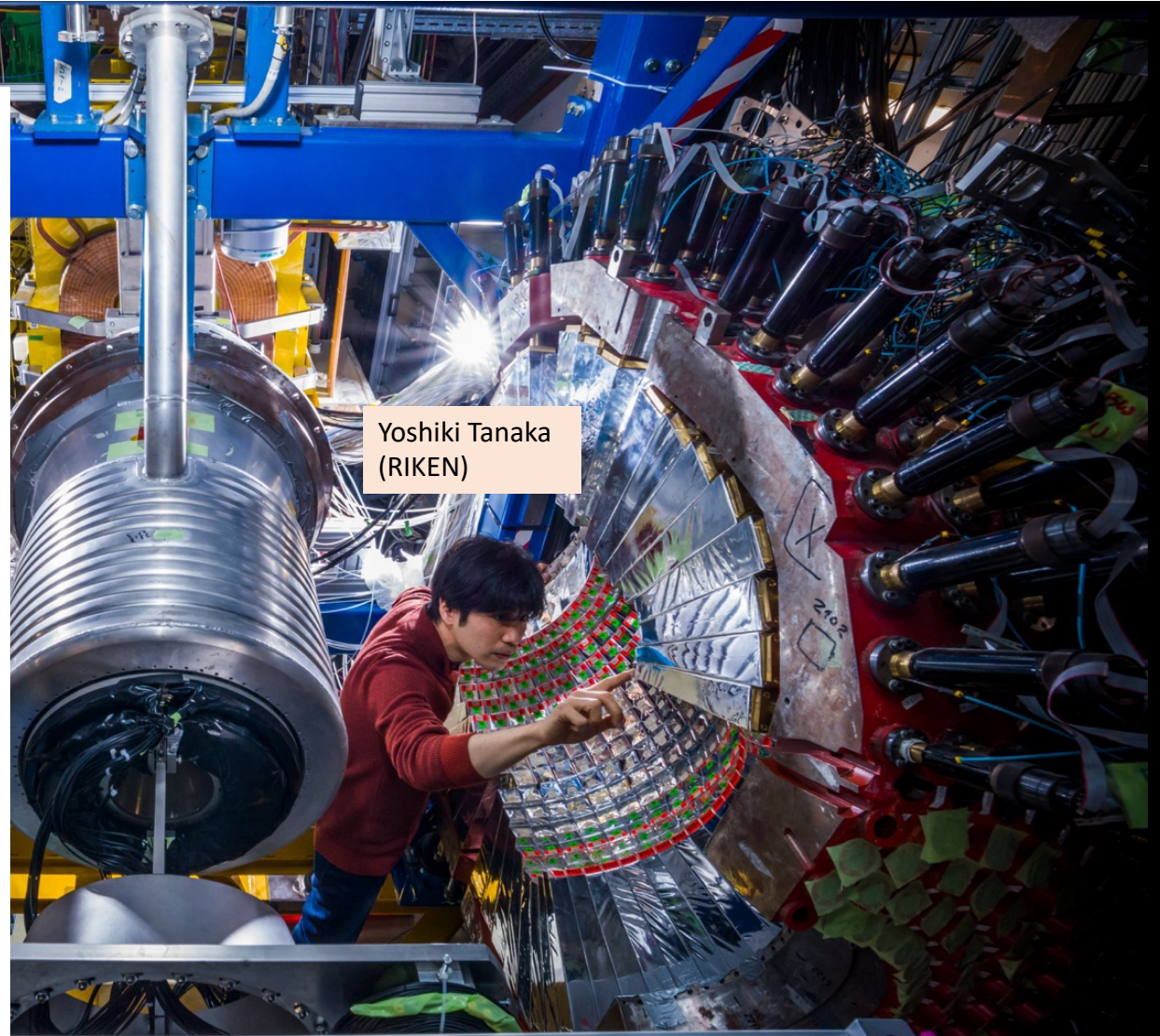
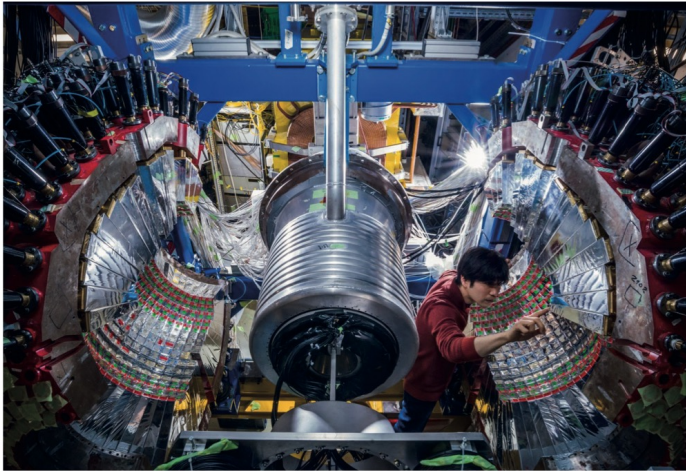




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# GSI calendar 2023



Januar	Februar	März	April	Mai	Juni	Juli	August	September	Oktober	November	Dezember	Januar '24
1 SO Neujahr	1 MI	1 MI	1 SA	1 SA	1 SA	1 DI	1 DI	1 FR	1 SO	1 MI Abentag	1 FR	1 MO KW 1 Neujahr
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4 MI	4 SA	4 SA	4 DI	4 DO	4 DO	4 MI	4 MI	4 MO KW 36	4 MI	4 SA	4 MO KW 49	4 DO
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6 FR He. Drei Könige	6 MO KW 6	6 MO	6 DI	6 DI	6 DI	6 SA	6 SA	6 DI	6 MI	6 MI	6 DO	6 MI
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### Schulferien 2023

Baden-Württemberg	Bayern	Berlin
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Dienstag: 04.02. - 11.02.	Freitag: 09.08. - 15.08.	Dienstag: 23.12. - 29.01.
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# Data taking (January – March 2022)

Run	Period	Data size
Commissioning run	28th Jan. - 7th Feb.	7 TB
Physics run for $\eta'$ nuclei	22nd Feb. - 28th Feb.	40 TB
Physics run for HypHI	10th Mar. - 19th Mar.	48 TB

92 % of the prop.

Acquired data for S447 (hypernuclei)

Beam	Fragment at S4	Amount	Time	Accepted trigger rate
<b><math>^6\text{Li}</math> beam</b>	$^3\text{He}$	$3.3 \times 10^8$	40.9 hours	2600 Hz
	$^4\text{He}$	$0.9 \times 10^8$	43.9 hours	1800 Hz
	deuteron	$1.8 \times 10^8$		
	proton (mid-rapidity)	$5.3 \times 10^6$	3.2 hours	680 Hz
<b><math>^{12}\text{C}</math> beam</b>	$^3\text{He}$	$1.0 \times 10^8$	13.5 hours	2400 Hz
	$^9\text{C}$	$2.4 \times 10^5$		

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

$^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$

$nn_{\Lambda}$

$\Lambda$

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

$^9_{\Lambda}\text{B}$

proton-halo  $^8\text{B} + \Lambda$

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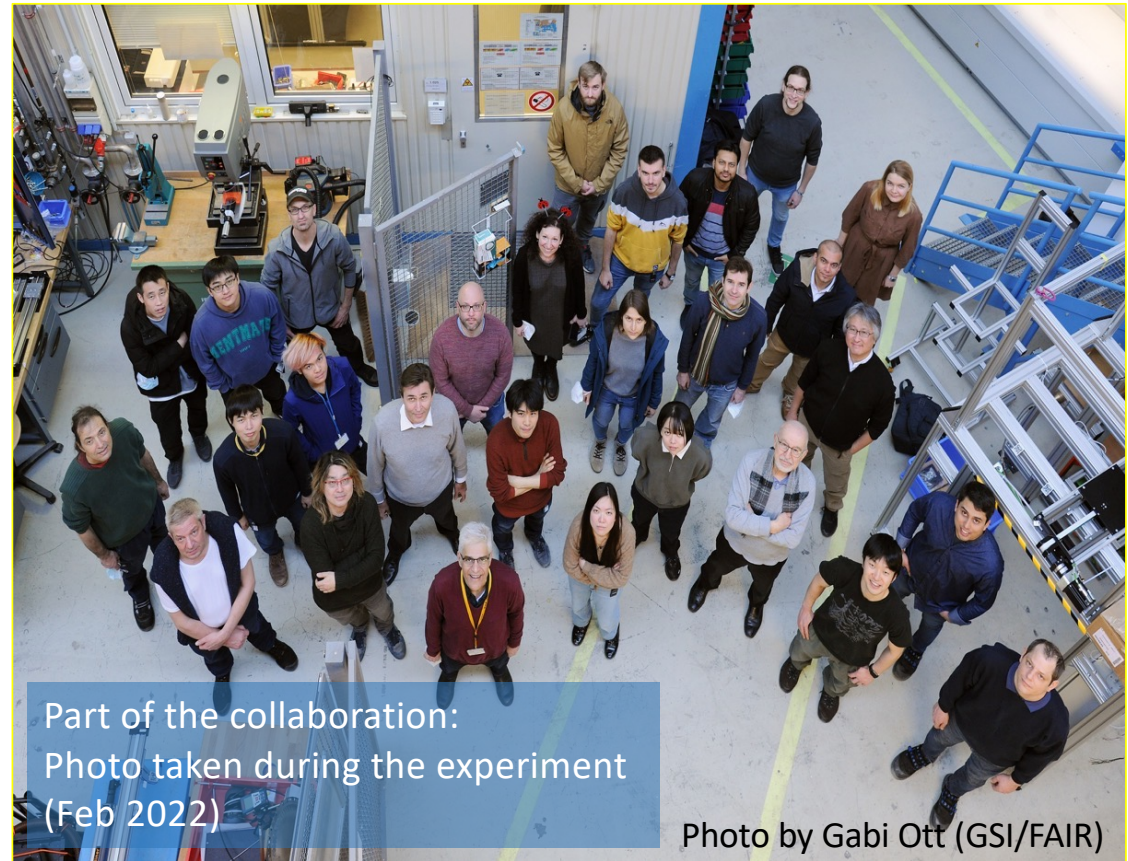
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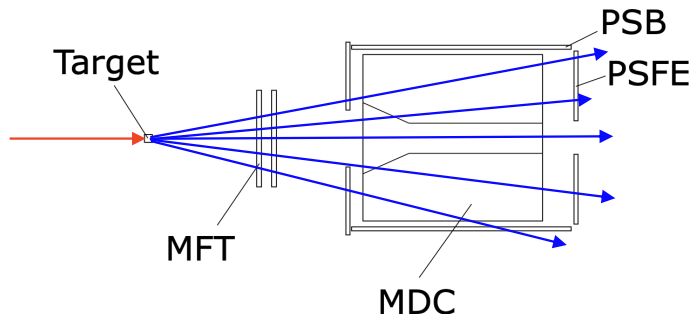
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# Graph Neural Network (GNN) for WASA

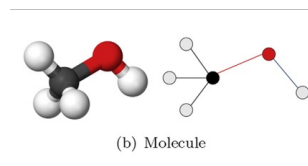
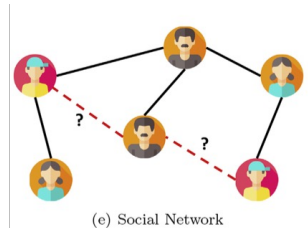
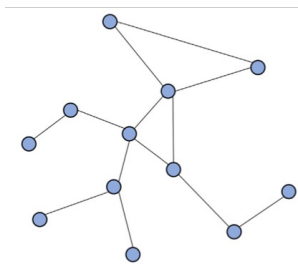
## Track Finding



- Multi particles in HI reaction
- Combinatorial background

➔ Track Finding with Graph Neural Network (GNN)

## Graph



- Node : Data point
- Edge : Connection

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## Development of machine learning analyses with graph neural network for the WASA-FRS experiment

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**Abstract** The WASA-FRS experiment aims to reveal the nature of light  $A$  hypernuclei with heavy-ion beams. The lifetimes of hypernuclei are measured precisely from their decay lengths and kinematics. To reconstruct a  $\pi^-$  track emitted from hypernuclear decay, track finding is an important issue. In this study, a machine learning analysis method with a graph neural network (GNN), which is a powerful tool for deducing the connection between data nodes, was developed to obtain track associations from numerous combinations of hit information provided in detectors based on a Monte Carlo simulation. An efficiency of 98% was achieved for tracking  $\pi^-$  mesons using the developed GNN model. The GNN model can also estimate the charge and momentum of the particles of interest. More than 99.9% of the negative charged particles were correctly identified with a momentum accuracy of 6.3%.

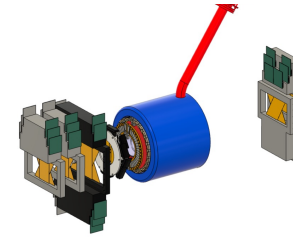
stand it for the middle- and long-range interactions based on a variety of nuclear experiments. To reveal the unknown features of the nuclear force, such as short-range interaction, considering a more detailed structure inside the baryons is essential. All baryons consist of three quarks, and nucleons such as neutrons and protons consist of up and down quarks. By introducing other types of quarks into ordinary nuclear systems, one can study the nuclear force in a more general picture. In particular, because the mass of the strange quark is close to that of the up and down quarks, interactions among these three quarks are described under flavoured-SU(3) symmetry. Therefore, a hyperon, which is a type of baryon that contains strange quark(s), plays an important role in investigating baryon–baryon interactions. As the lifetime of hyperon is short ( $\sim 10^{-10}$  s), using them as projectiles or targets is difficult. Therefore, hyperon–nucleon interactions have been studied via hypernuclei, which contain at least

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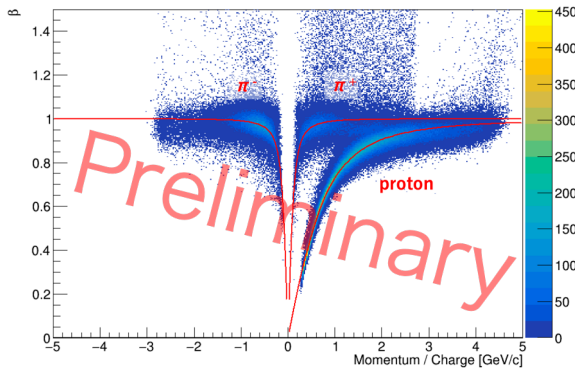
# Data analyses with the GNN



Only **partial data** with

- T0
- Fiber detectors
- MDC
- PSB
- FRS

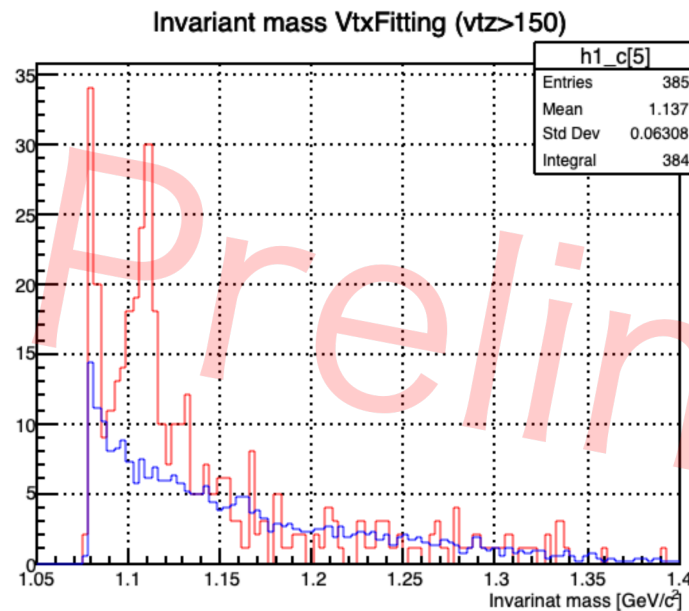
WASA PID PSB GNN



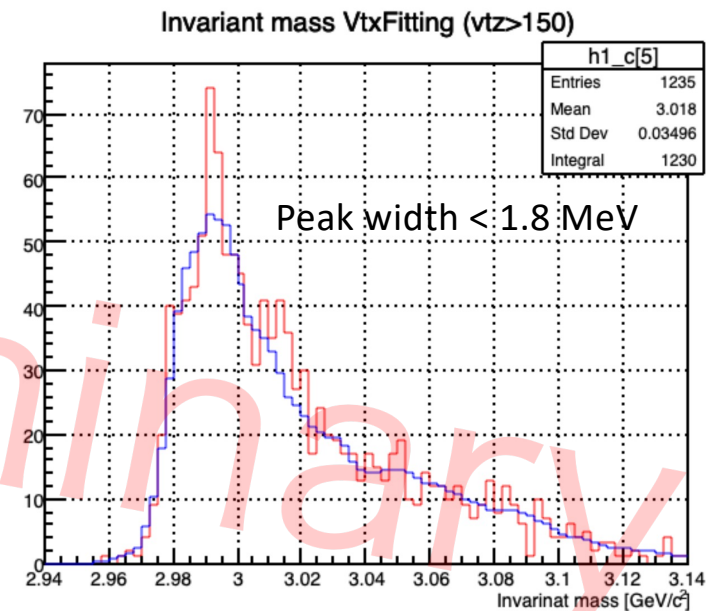
- GNN node clustering score > 0.995
- MDC hit mul.  $\geq 6$

Analysis by  
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 Y. Gao (RIKEN/IMP)  
 A. Yanai (RIKEN/Saitama U)

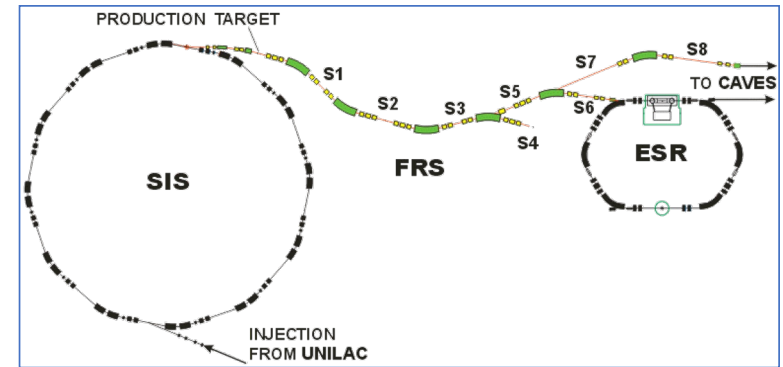
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$^3\text{He}$  (WASA)+ $\pi^-$  (WASA)



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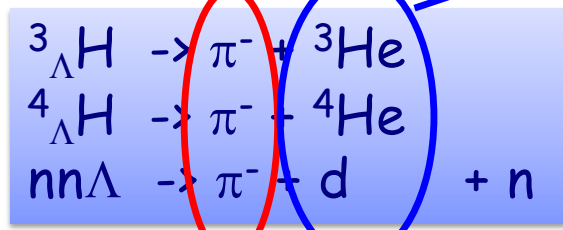
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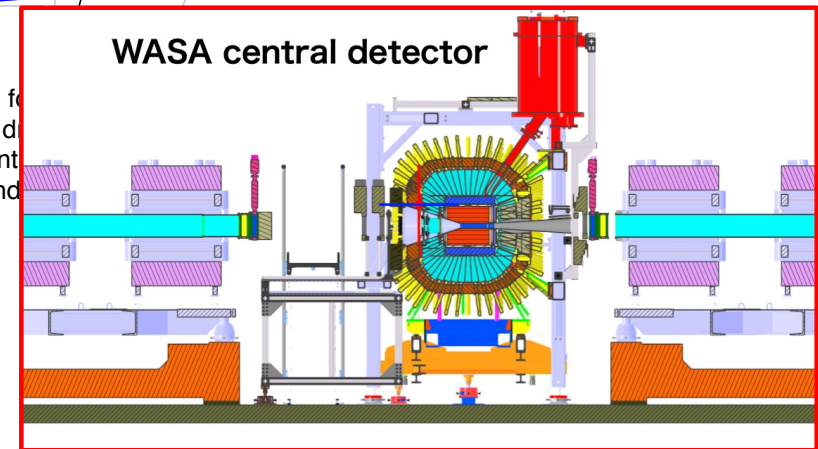
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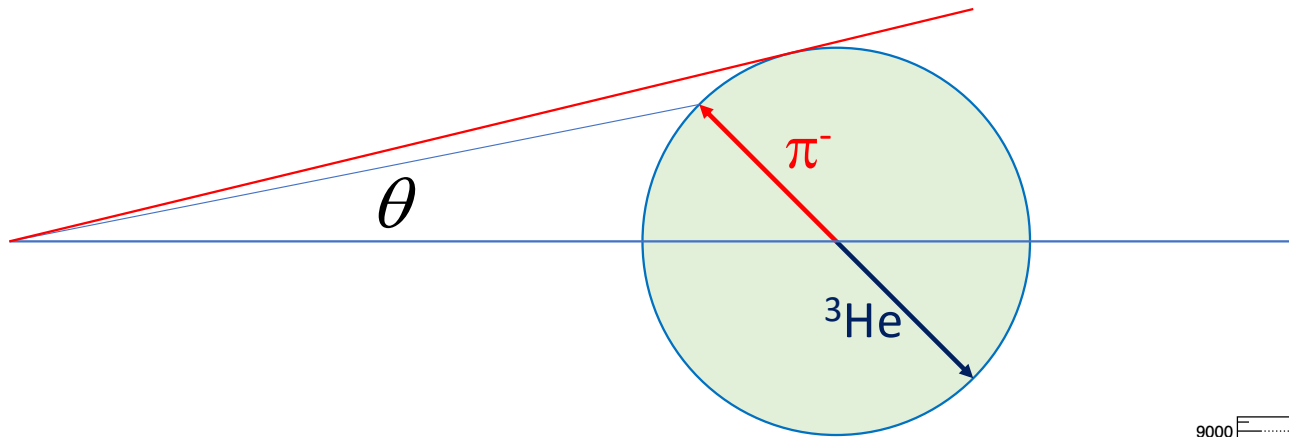


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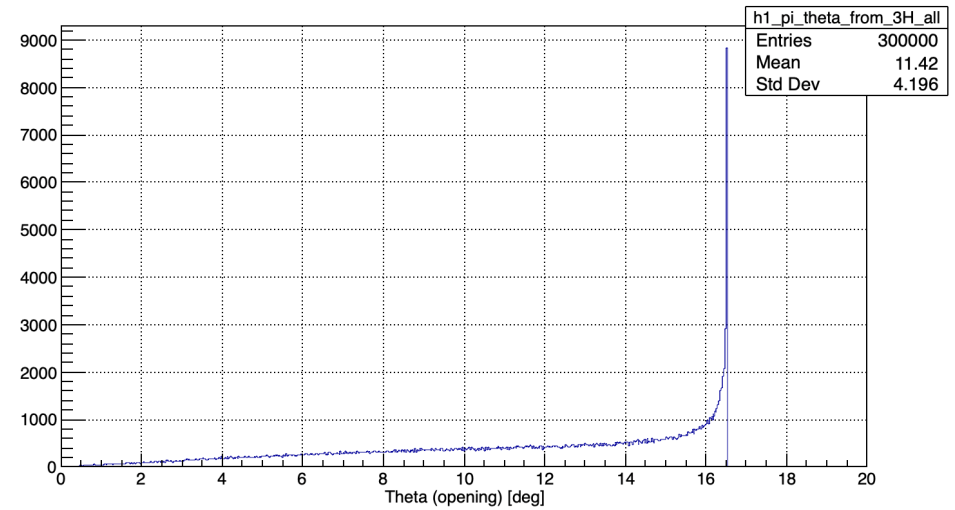
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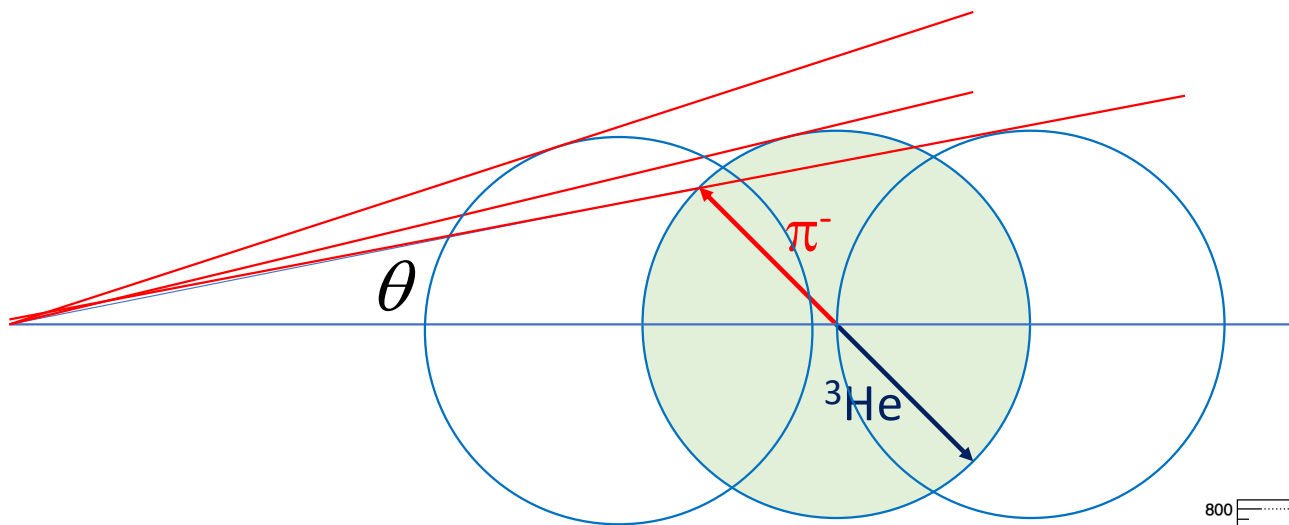


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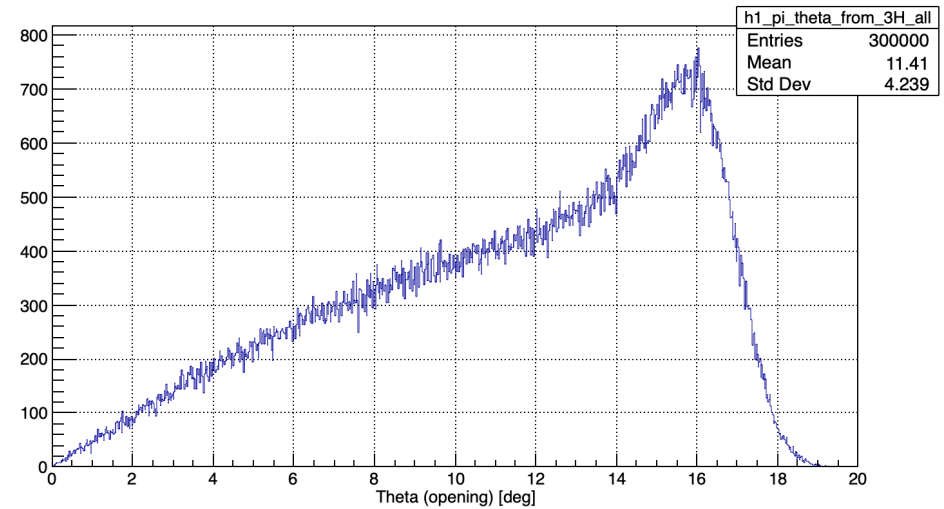


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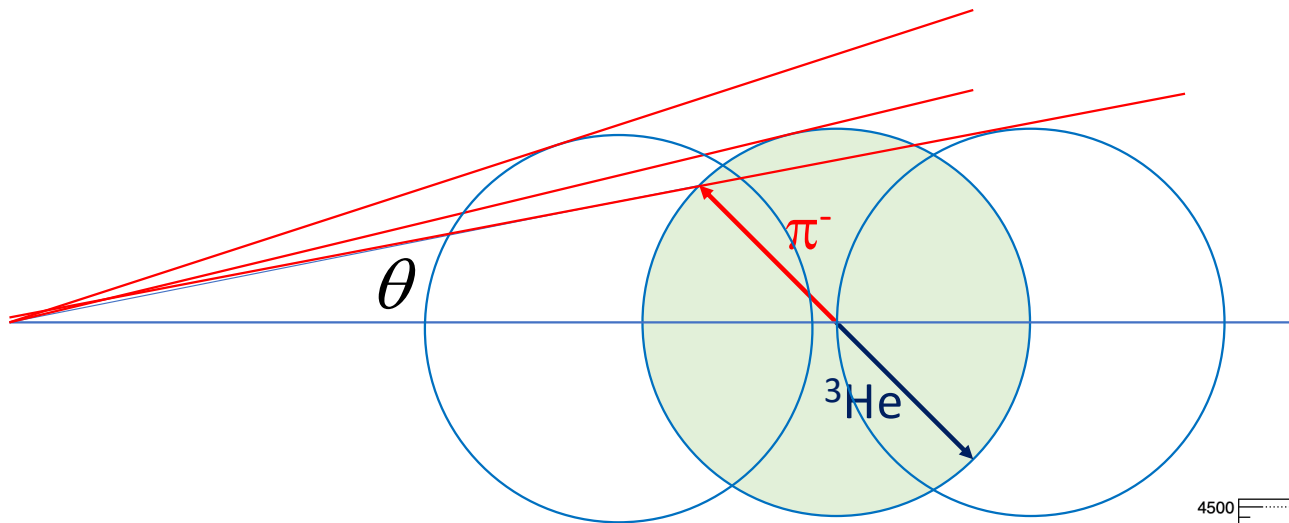
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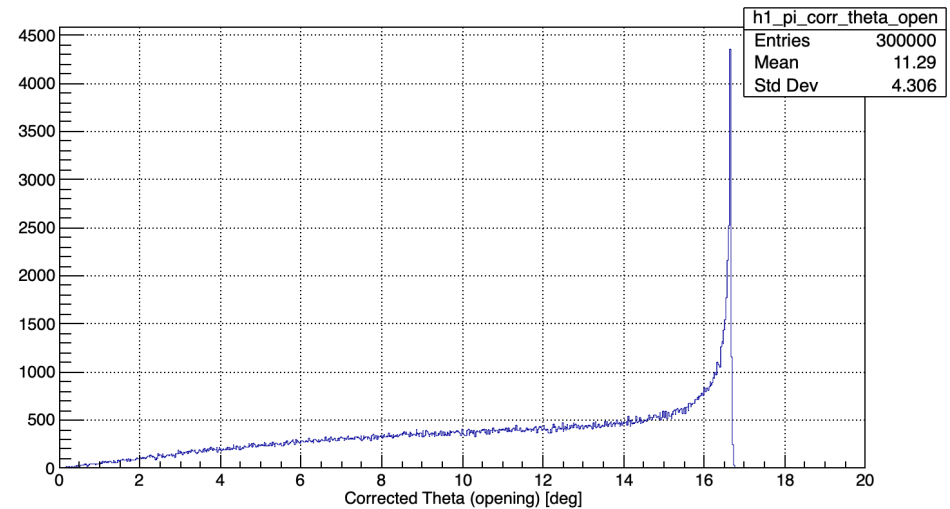
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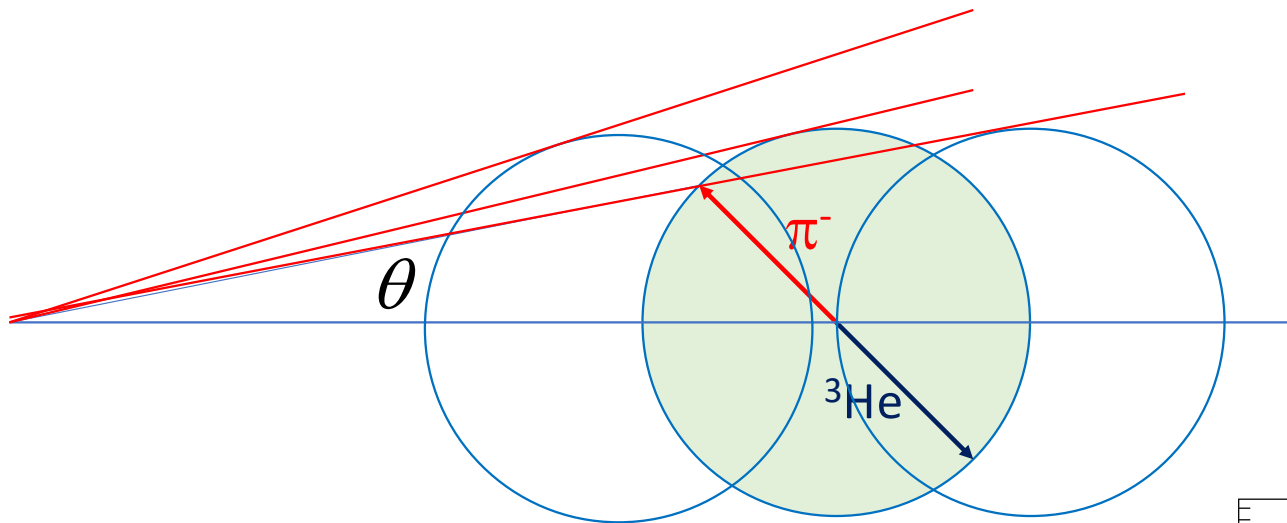
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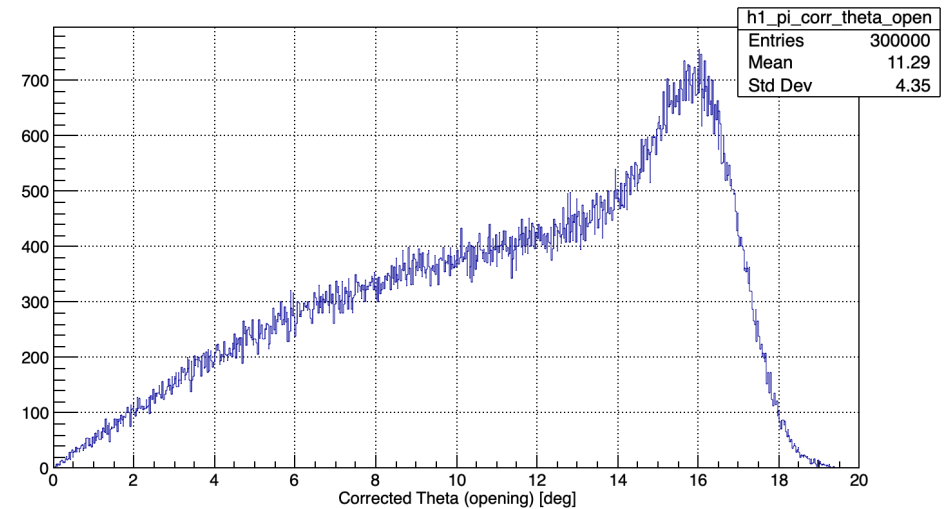
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$$\Delta p/P \text{ (other exp.)} = 5 \times 10^{-2}$$
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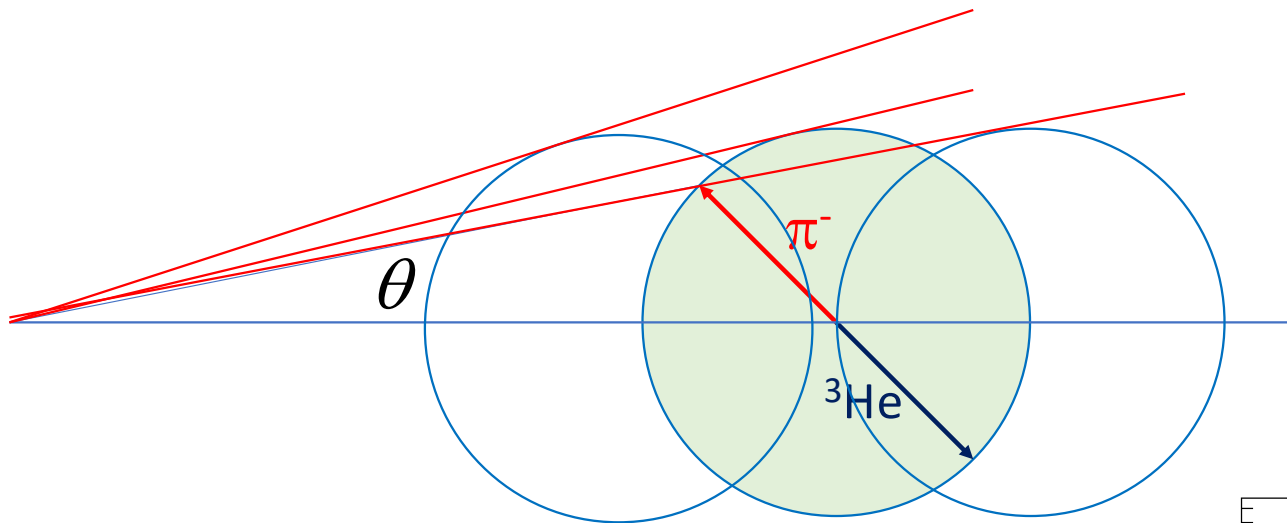
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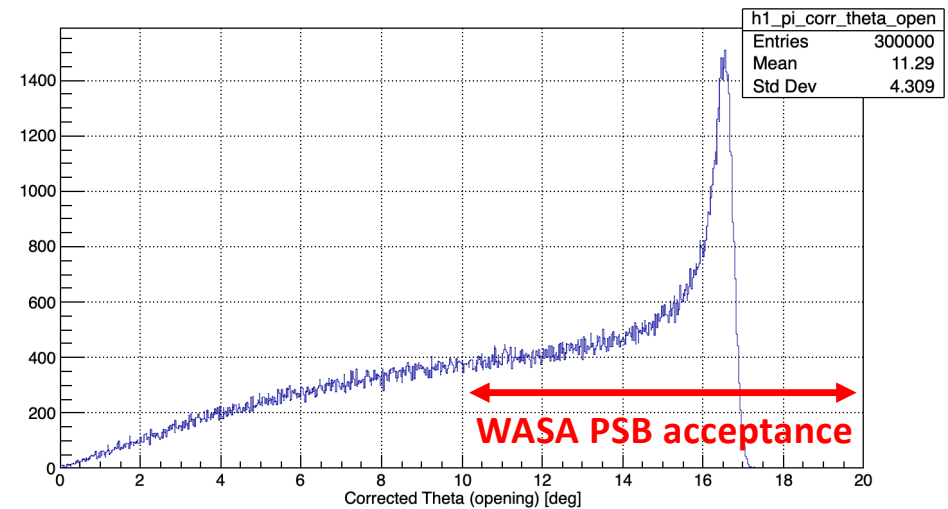
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$$\text{Angular res. (WASA)} = 3 \text{ m rad}$$

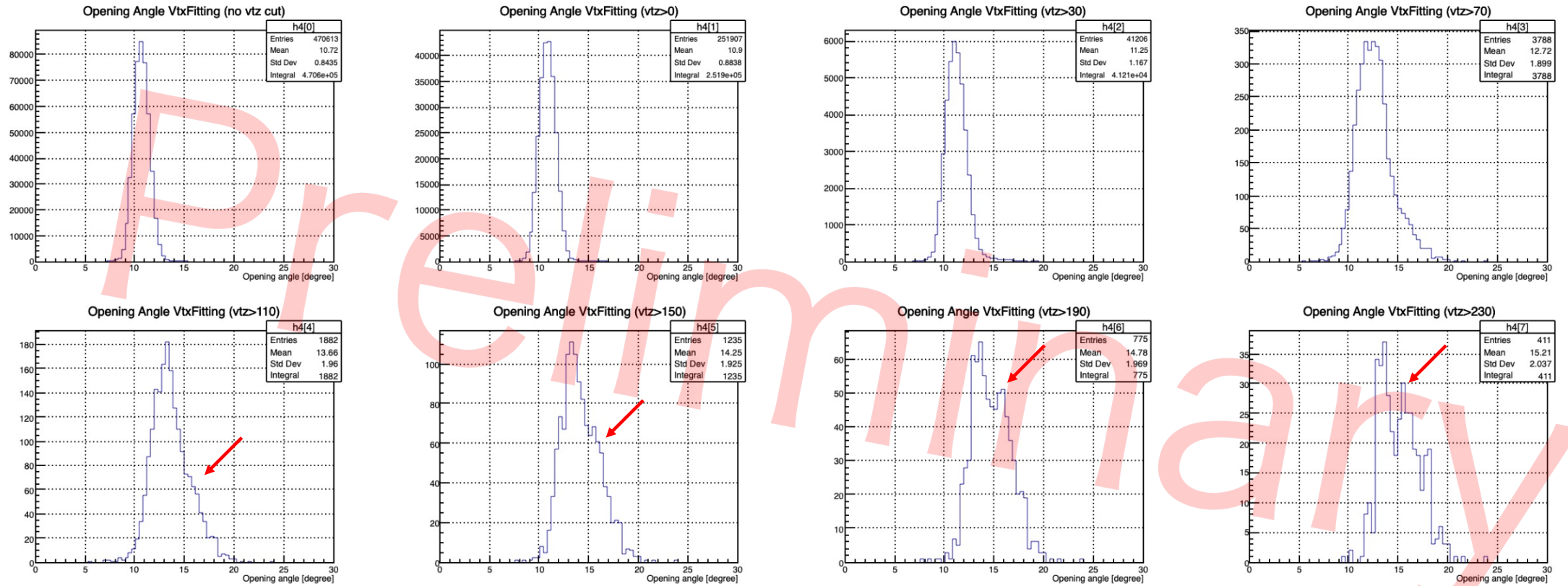


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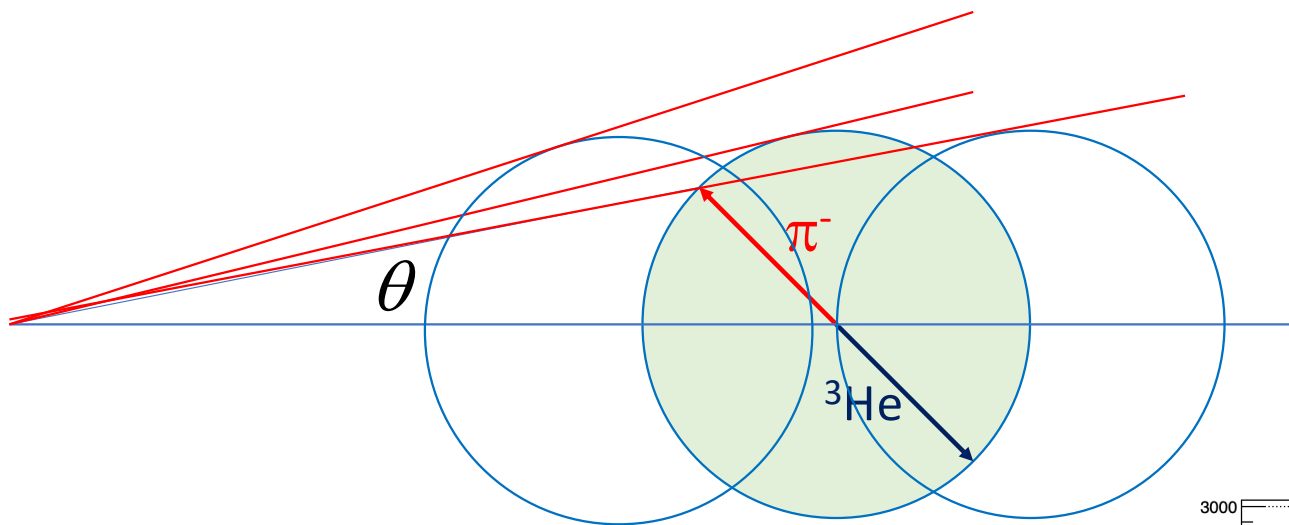
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# With the WASA-FRS data



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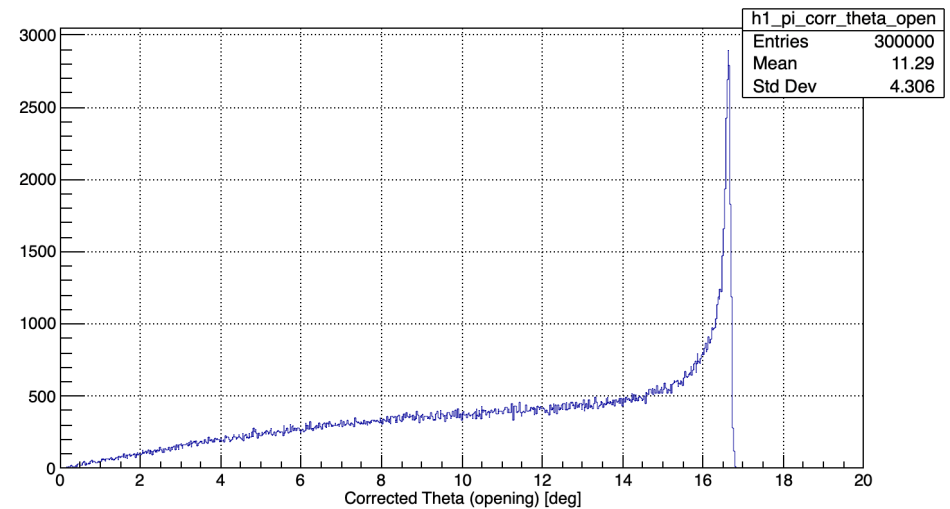
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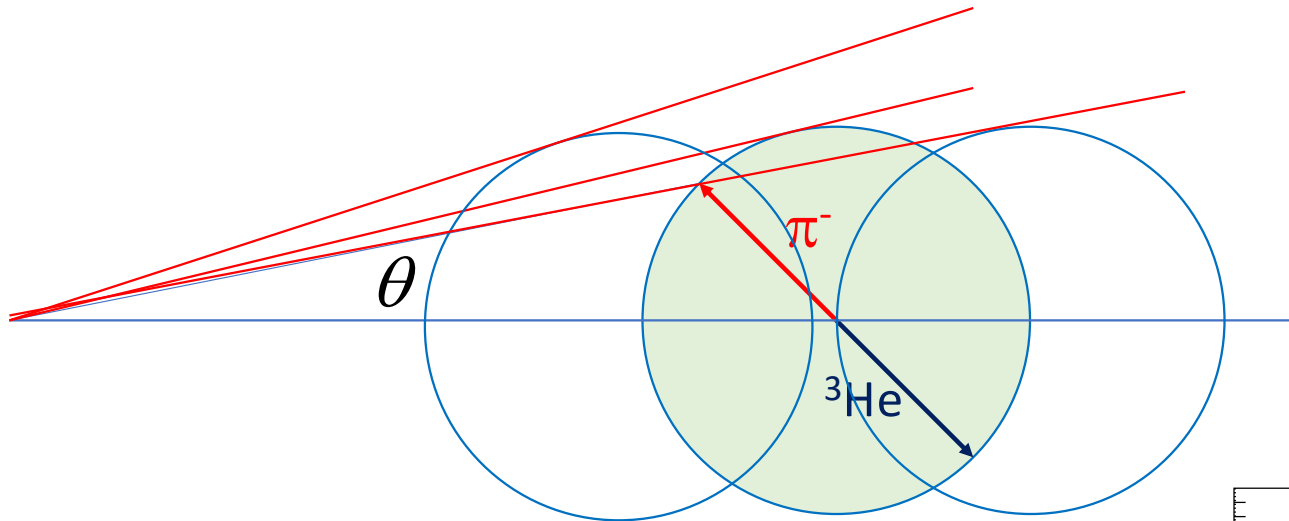
Angular res. = 0.7 m rad

Si detector at R3B/FAIR



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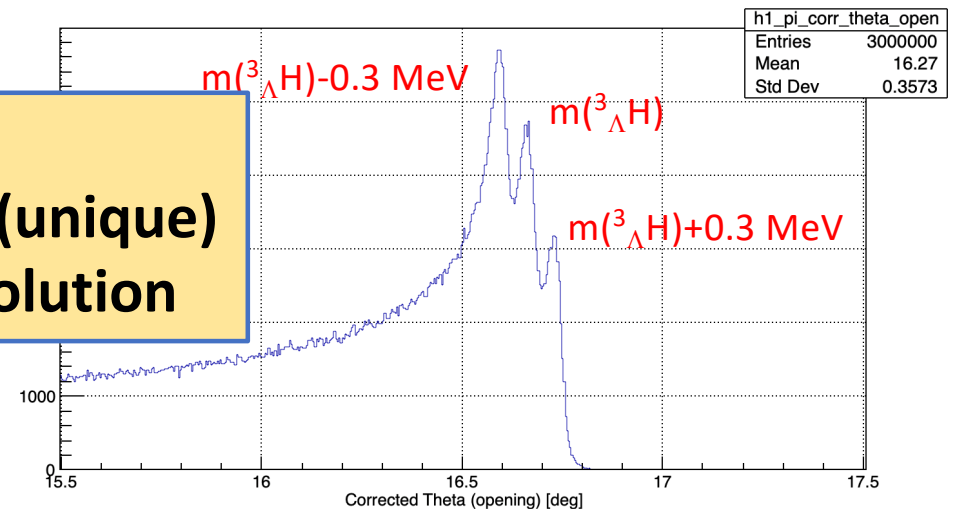
$$\text{Angular res.} = 0.1 \text{ m rad}$$

Future possibility

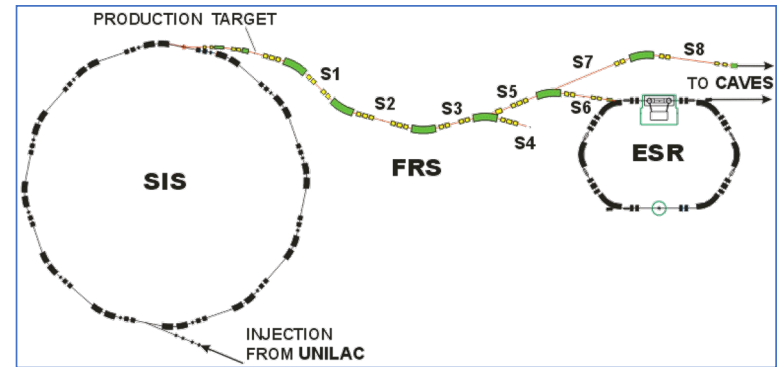
For the precise mass measurements

- Excellent FRS resolution is mandatory (unique)
- Not depending on the momentum resolution

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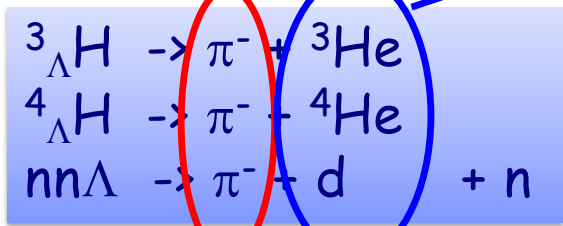
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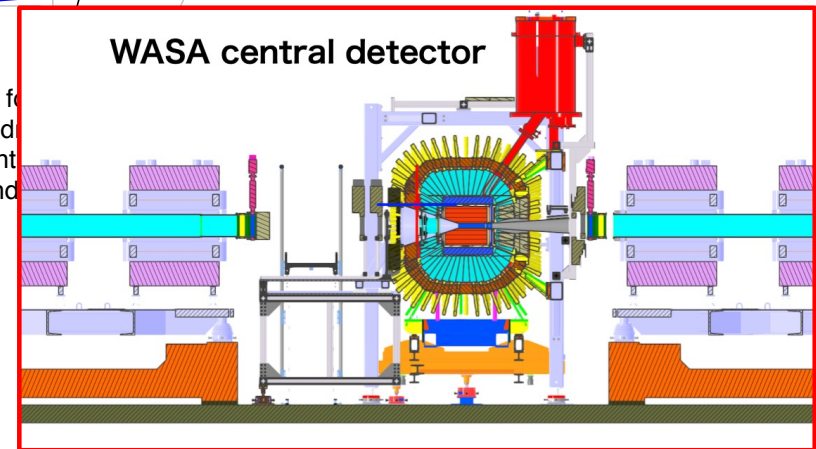
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FRS momentum acceptance:  
 $\pm 2\%$

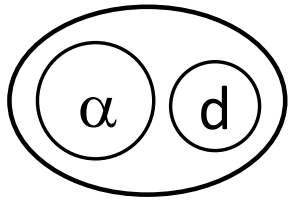


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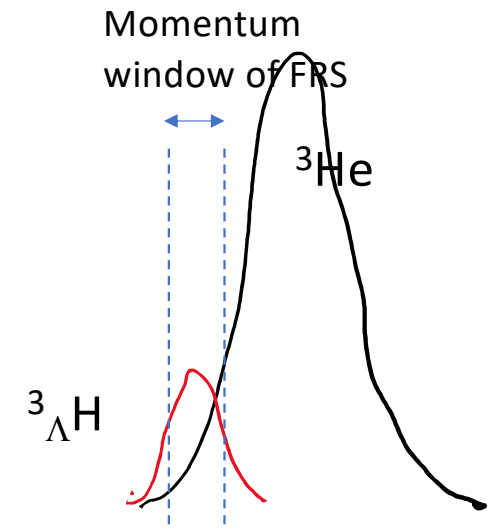
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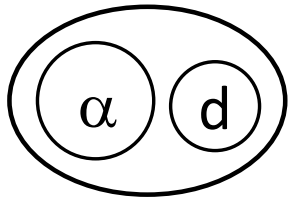
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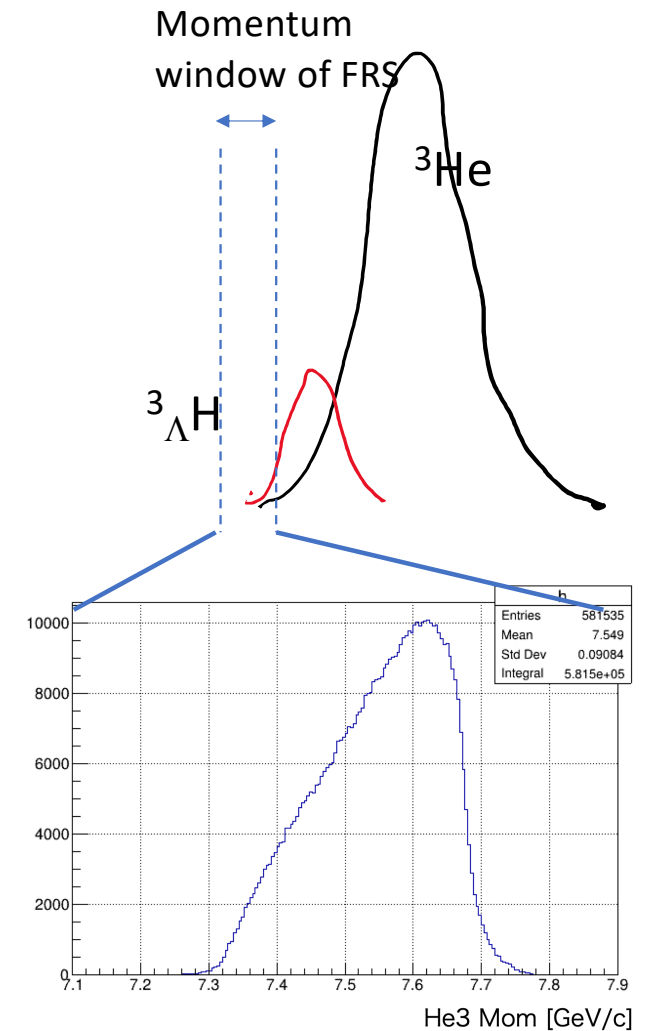
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**We need to collaborate with the EXPERTs**



Our challenges on Hypernuclei

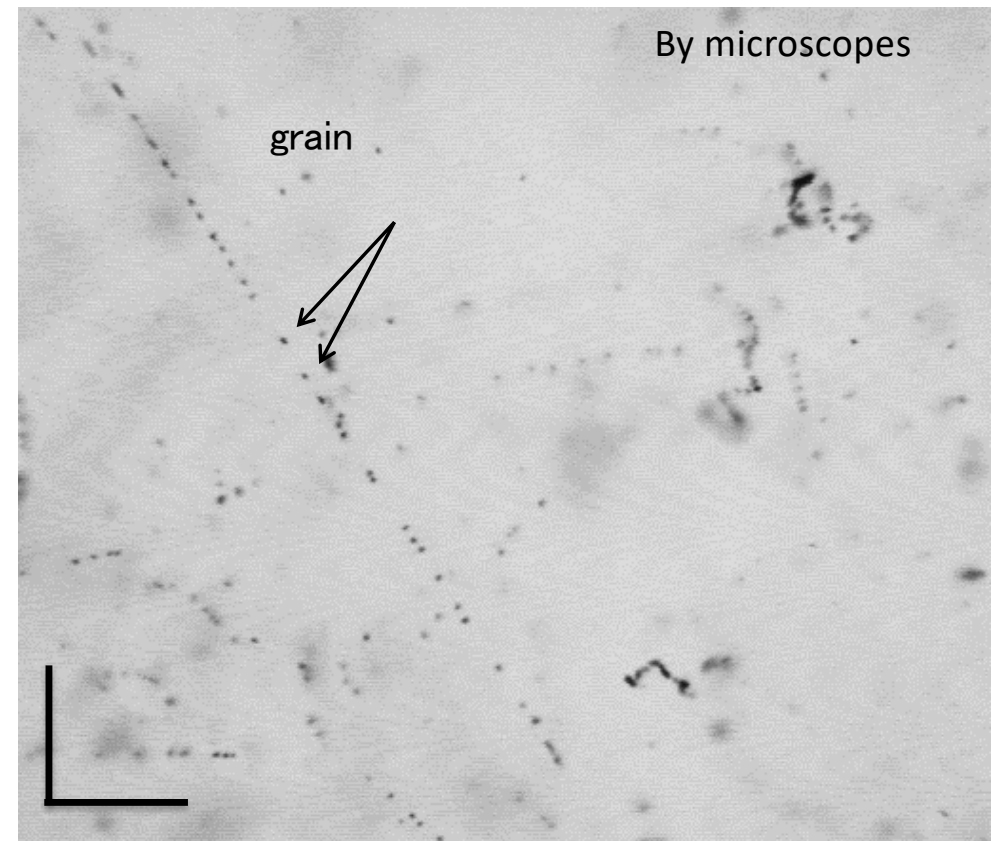
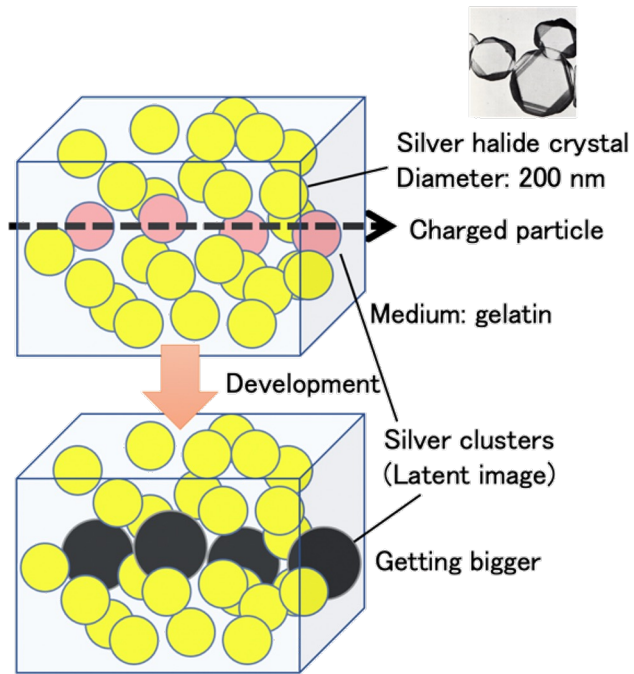
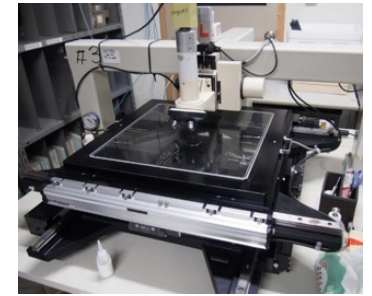
with image analyses

and

machine learning

# Nuclear Emulsion:

Charged particle tracker with  
the best spatial resolution  
(easy to be  $< 1 \mu\text{m}$ , 11 nm at best)

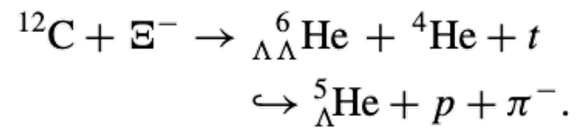
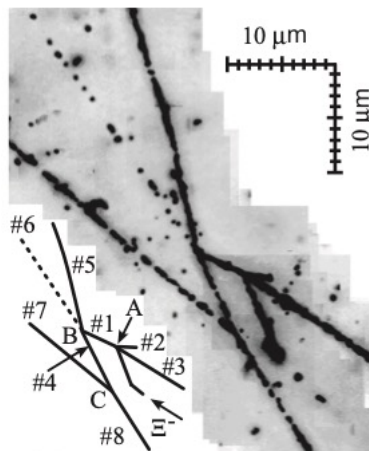


# Discovery of ${}^6_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{He}$ (the Nagara event)

Results in the NAGARA paper

<https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevLett.87.212502>

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VertexA(Production)

$$\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda} - B_{\text{E}^-} = 0.69 \pm 0.20 \text{ MeV}$$

VertexB(Decay)

$$\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda} = 0.6 \pm 0.6 \text{ MeV}$$

$$B_{\Lambda\Lambda} = 6.79 + 0.91B_{\text{E}^-} (\pm 0.16) \text{ MeV}$$

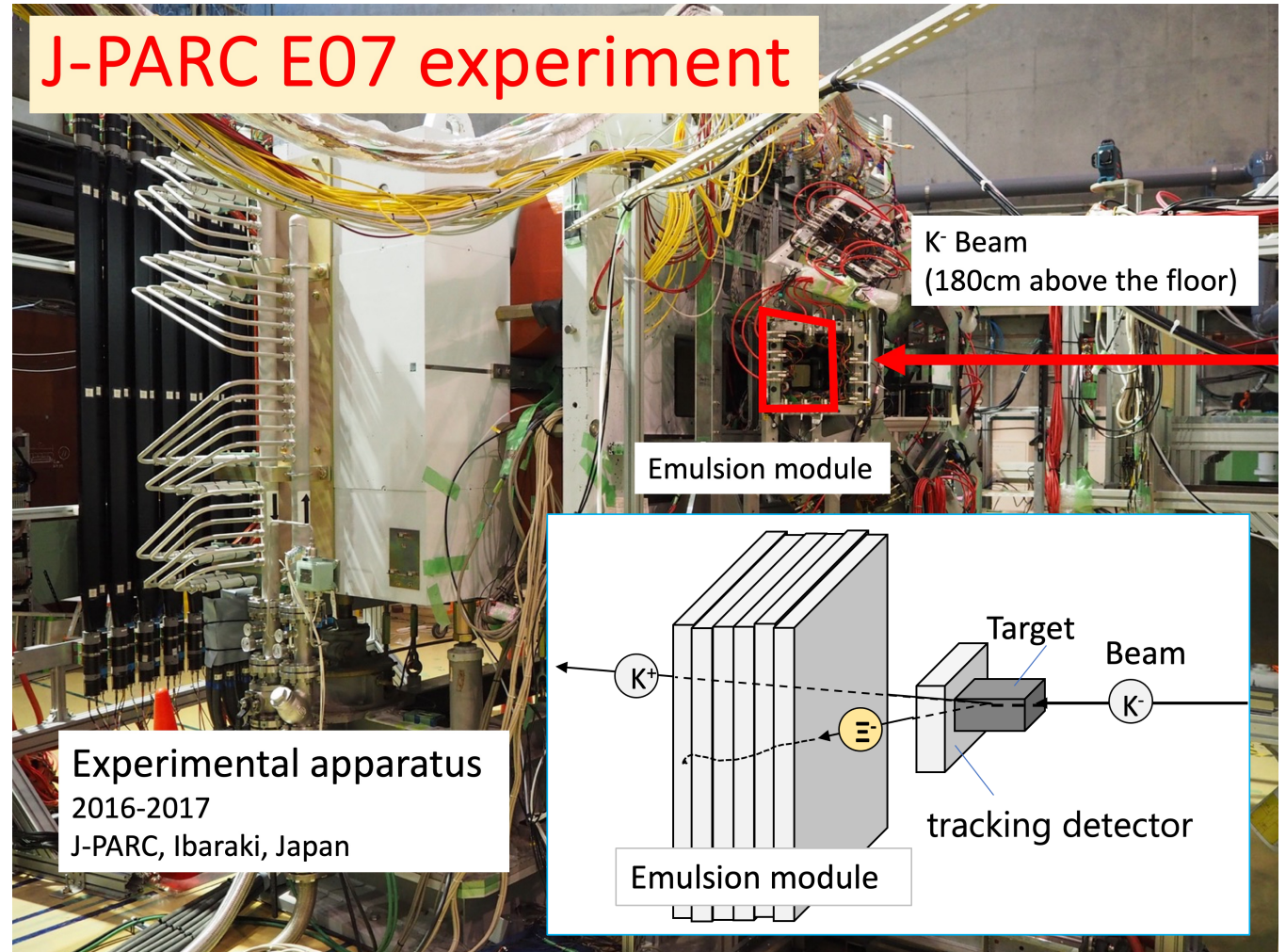
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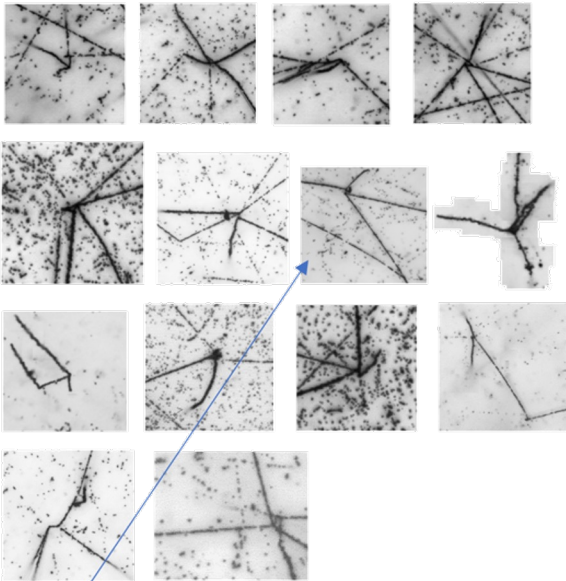
(Assumption:  $B_{\text{E}^-} = 0.13 \text{ MeV}$  (3D))

# J-PARC E07 experiment

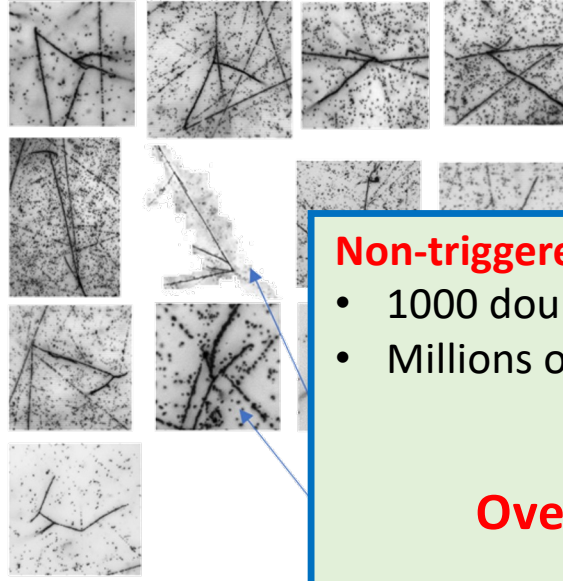


# Results from J-PARC E07 (Hybrid method)

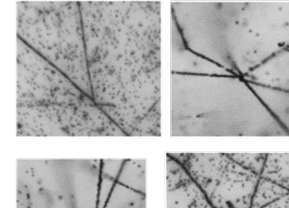
$\Lambda\Lambda$  candidates: 14



Twin  $\Lambda$  events: 13



Others: 6



**Non-triggered events recorded in 1300 emulsions sheets**

- 1000 double-strangeness ( $\Lambda\Lambda$ - and  $\Xi$ -) hypernuclear events
- Millions of single-strangeness hypernuclear events



**Overall scanning of all emulsion sheets  
(35 X 35 cm<sup>2</sup> X 1000)**

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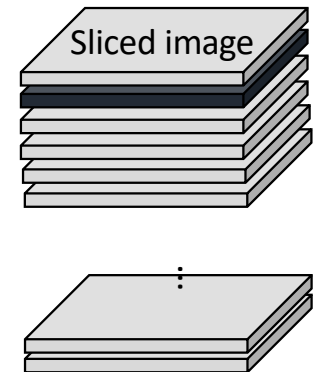
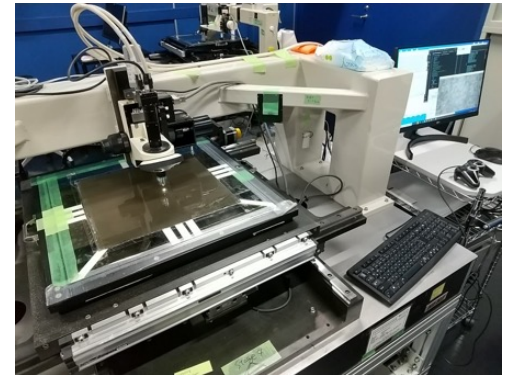
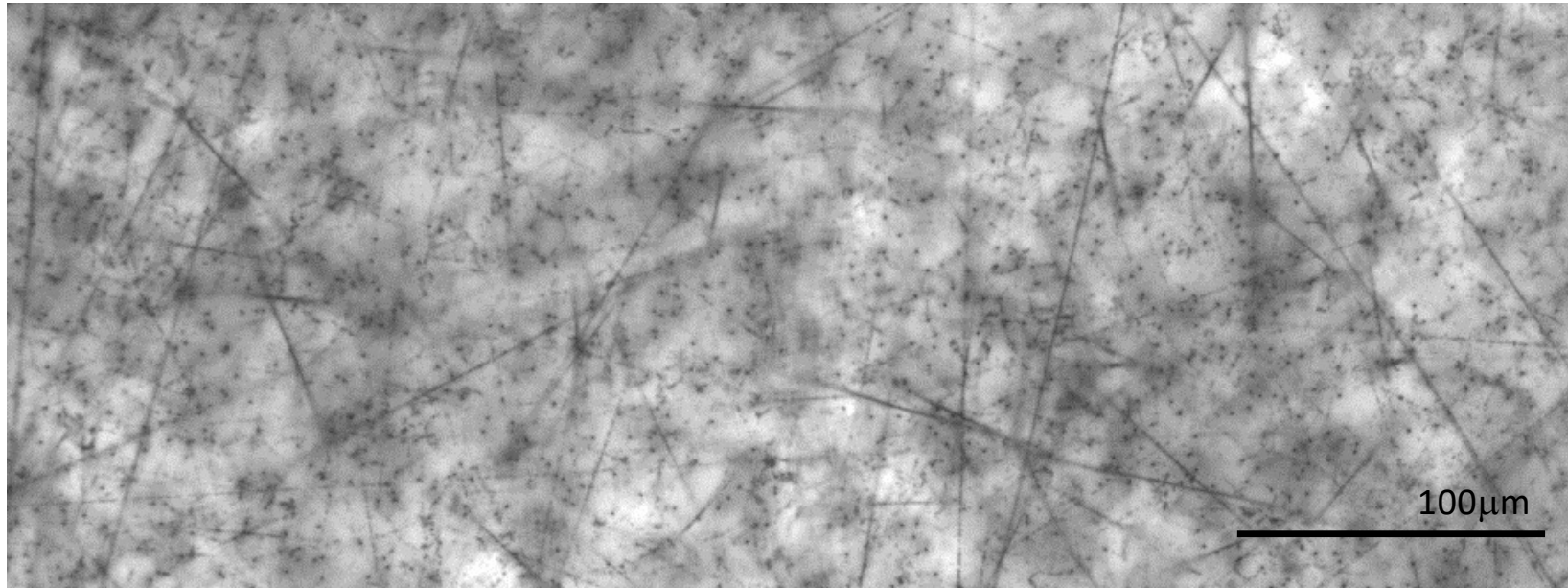
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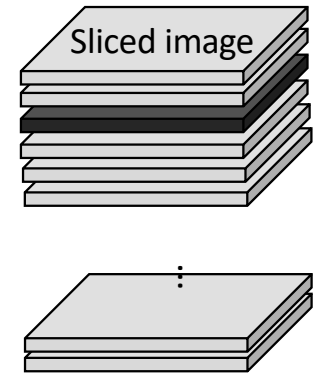
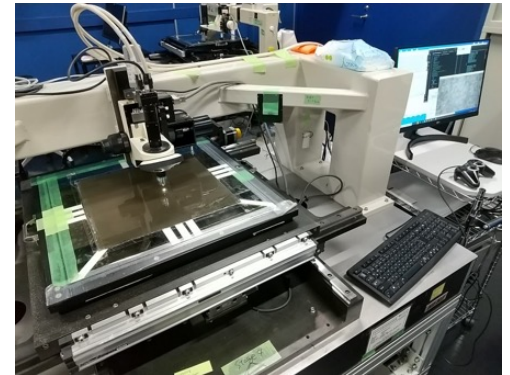
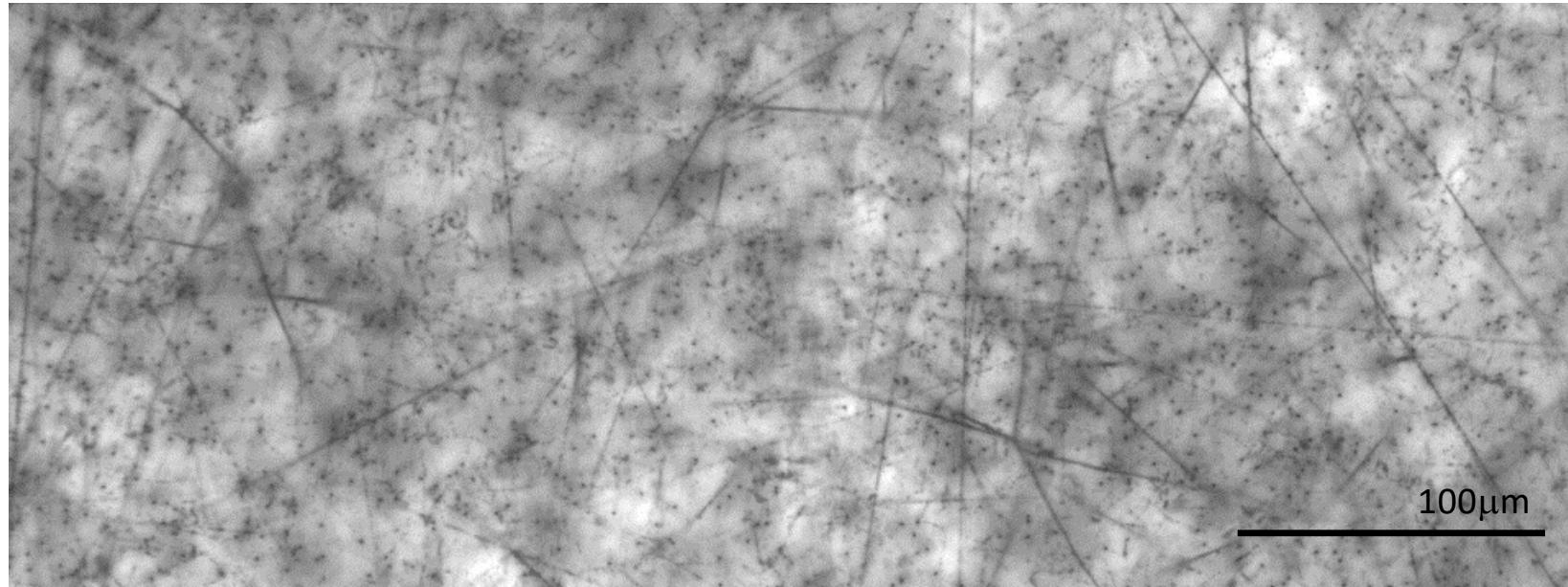
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# Overall scanning for E07 emulsions

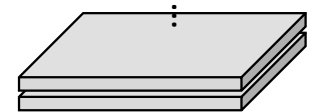
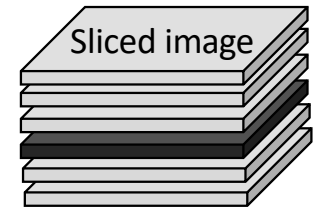
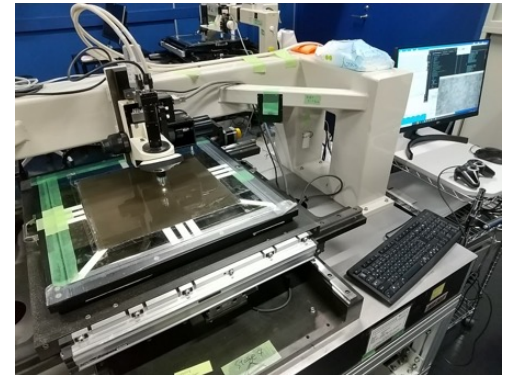
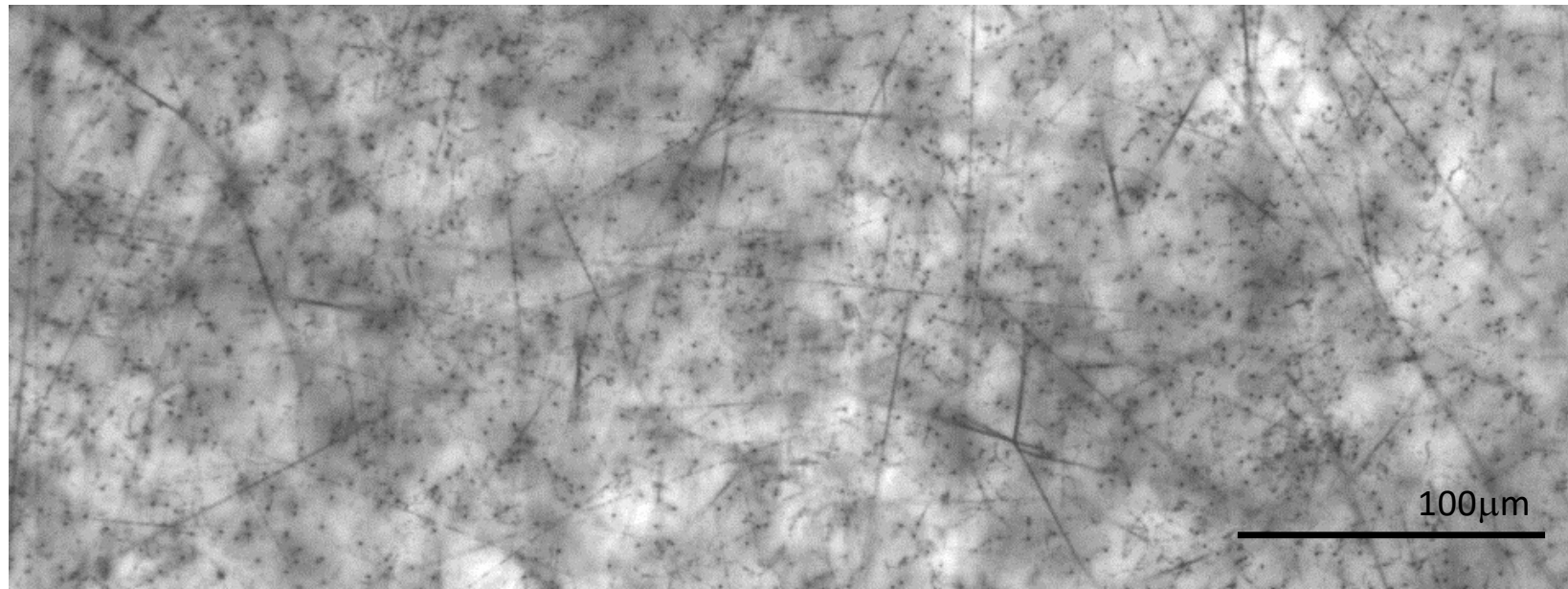




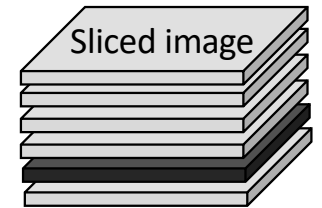
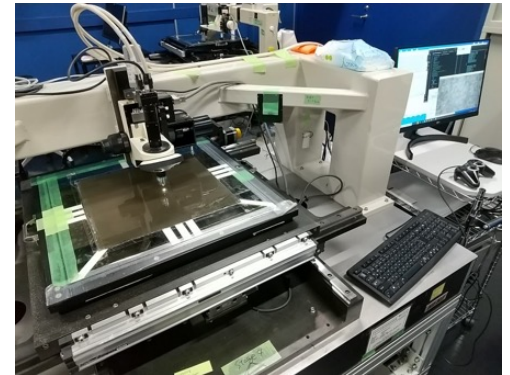
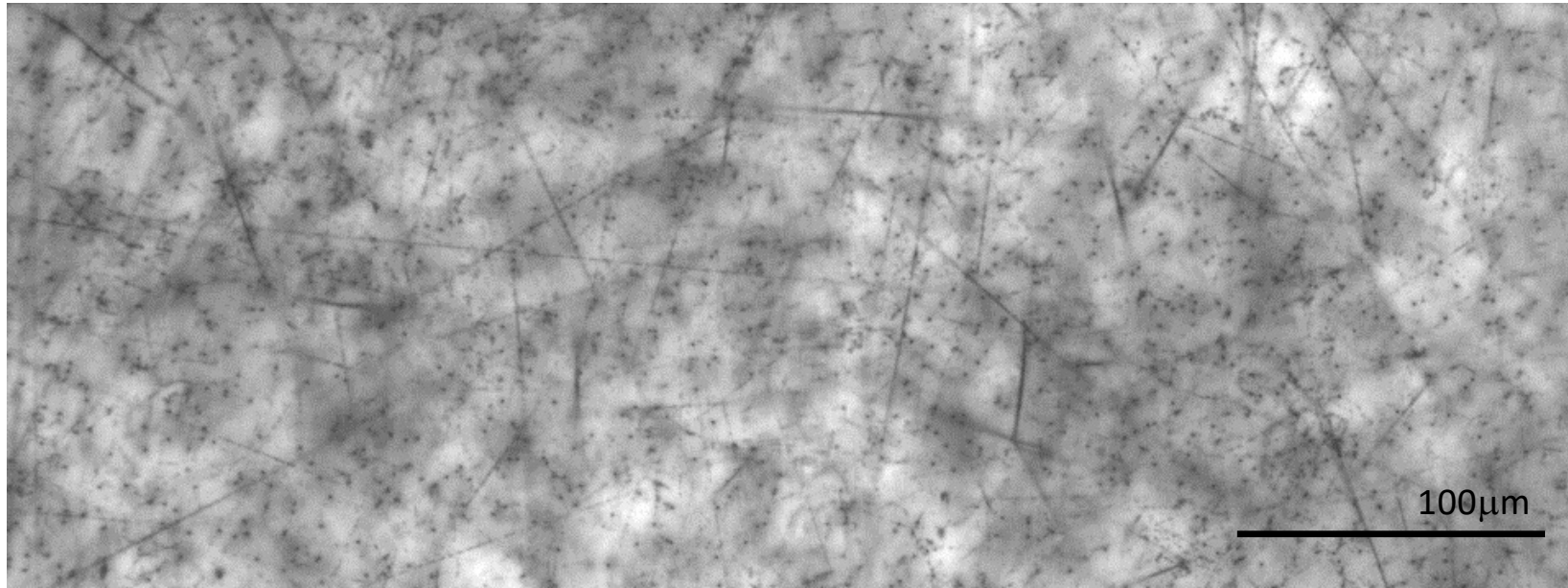
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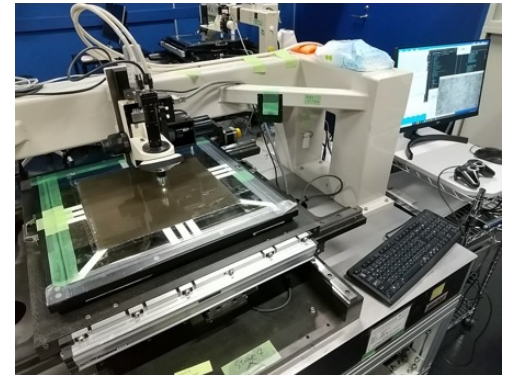
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## Data size:

- $10^7$  images per emulsion (100 T Byte)
- $10^{10}$  images per 1000 emulsions (100 P Byte)

## Number of background tracks:

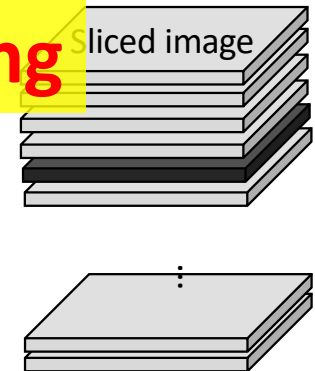
- Beam tracks:  $10^4/\text{mm}^2$
- Nuclear fragmentations:  $10^3/\text{mm}^2$

Current equipments/techniques  
with visual inspections

560 years

3 years

**Machine Learning**



100 $\mu\text{m}$

Millions of single-strangeness hypernuclei  
1000 double strangeness hypernuclei (formerly only 5)

# Setup for analyzing emulsions at the High Energy Nuclear Physics Laboratory in RIKEN

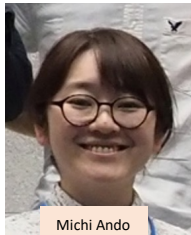
- Hypernuclear physics
- Neutron imaging

Part-timer staffs working for emulsion & microscopes

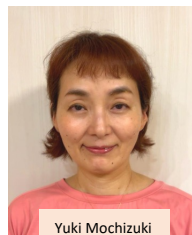
Current members



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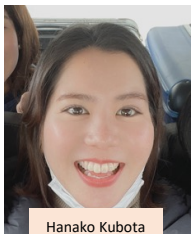


Michi Ando  
(RIKEN)



Yuki Mochizuki  
(RIKEN)

Former members



Hanako Kubota  
(RIKEN)



Chiho Harisaki  
(RIKEN)



Keiko Sudo  
(RIKEN)



**Currently 7 microscope stages running**

# Challenges for Machine Learning Development

MOST IMPORTANT:

- **Quantity and quality of training data**

**Ideas : 2018**

**Implementations: 2020-2021**

**However,**

**No existing data for hypertriton with emulsions for training**

**Our approaches:**

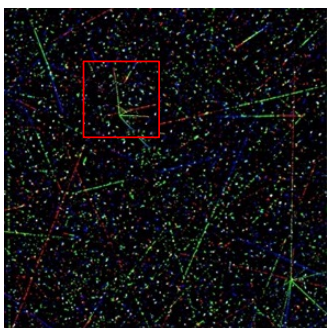
**Producing training data with**

- **Monte Carlo simulations**
- **Image transfer techniques**

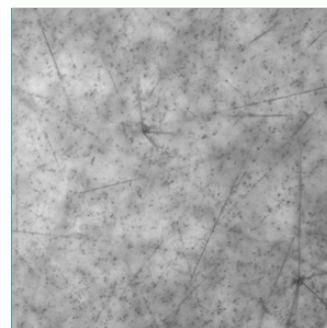
# Production of training data

## Monte Carlo simulations and GAN(Generative Adversarial Networks)

Binarized tracks from MC simulations  
+ background from the real data



**Produced training data**



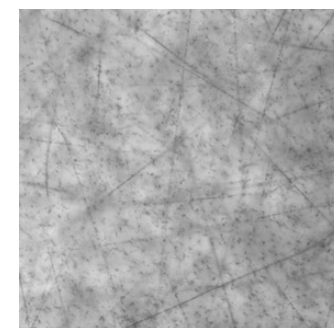
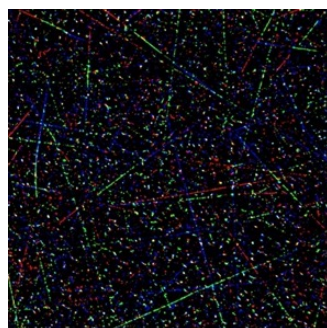
GAN: pix2pix  
Edges to Photo



input



output



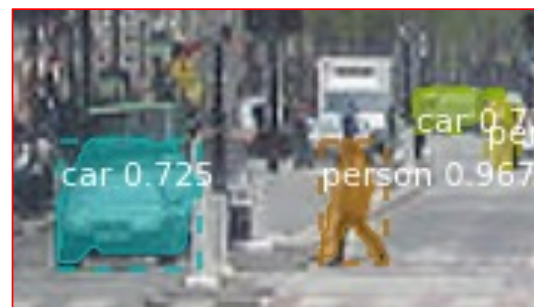
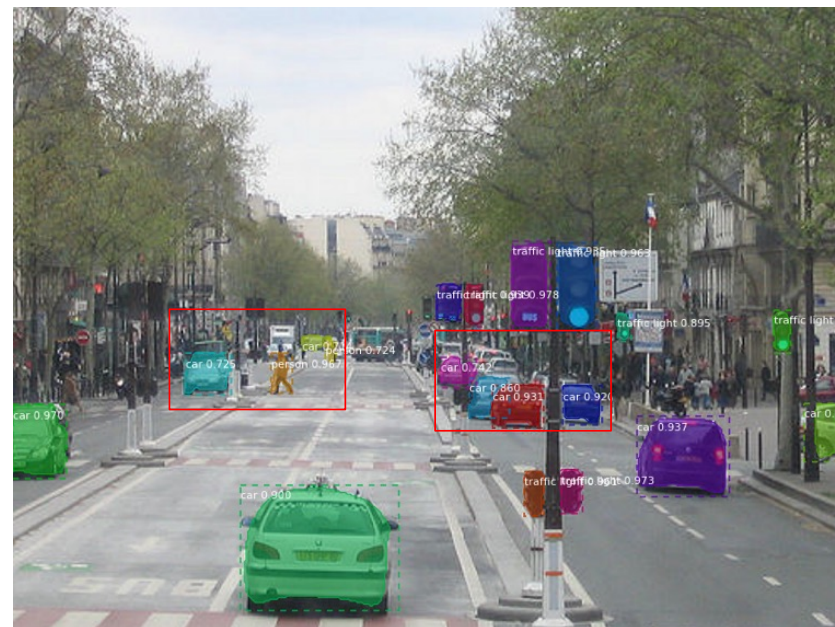
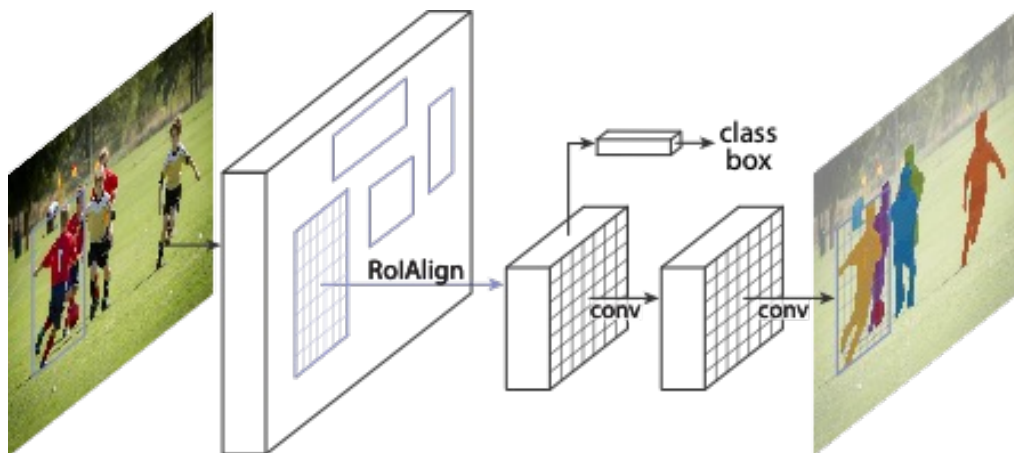
Real emulsion image

Binarized (like for simulations)

**Ayumi Kasagi. Ph.D. thesis (2023)**  
**A.Kasagi et.al, NIM A1056, (2023) 168663**

# Detection of hypertriton events

With Mask R-CNN model



Detection of each object

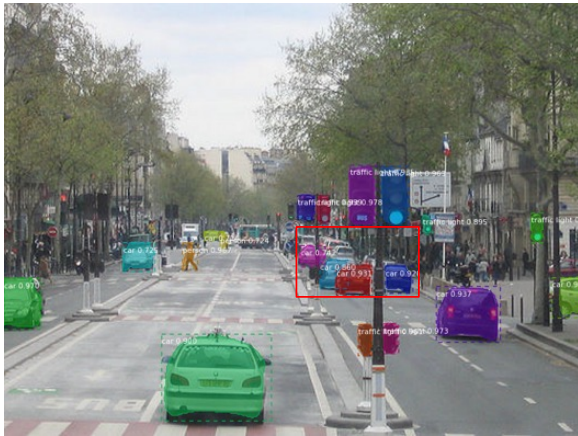


At large object density



# Training of Mask R-CNN with Simulated image

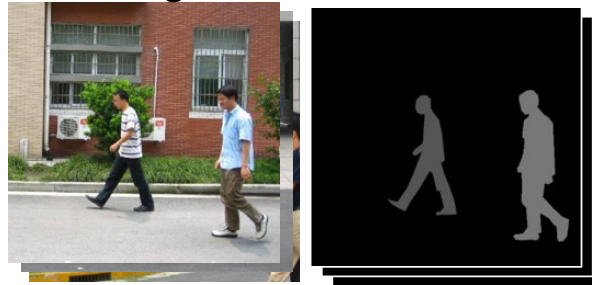
Mask R-CNN



Example of training dataset

Image

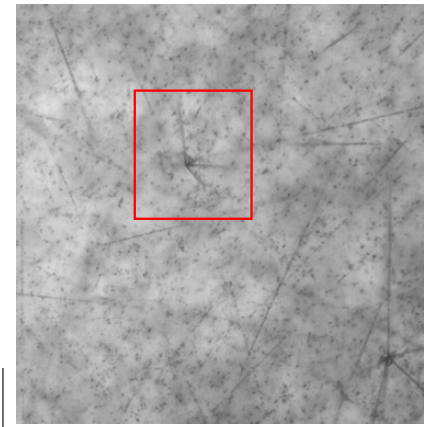
Mask



A Pedestrian dataset

[https://www.cis.upenn.edu/~jshi/ped\\_html/](https://www.cis.upenn.edu/~jshi/ped_html/)

Training data (Simulated image)

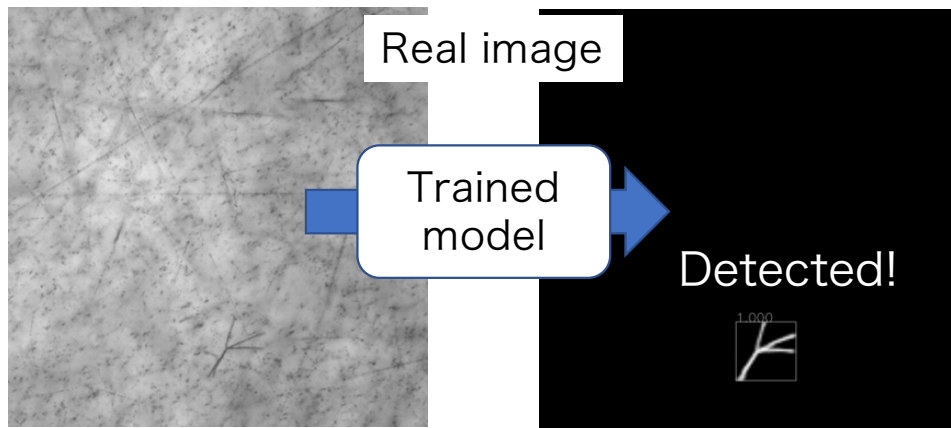


Mask  
(Target event)

50  $\mu$ m

Masks are automatically produced

Performance of  $\alpha$ -decay detection



50  $\mu$ m

Efficiency  
Purity

= No. detected/No. total

= Truth Positive/No. candidates

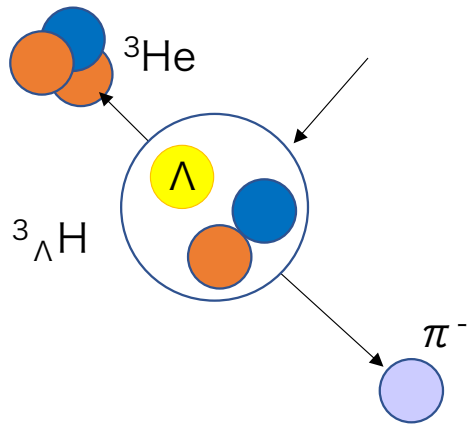
	Efficiency [%]	Purity [%]
Vertex picker	~40%	~1%
Mask R-CNN	~80%	~20%

→ 2<sup>nd</sup> step done

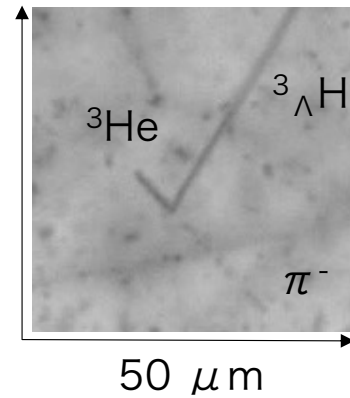
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# Hypertriton search with Mask R-CNN

Two body decay of  ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$

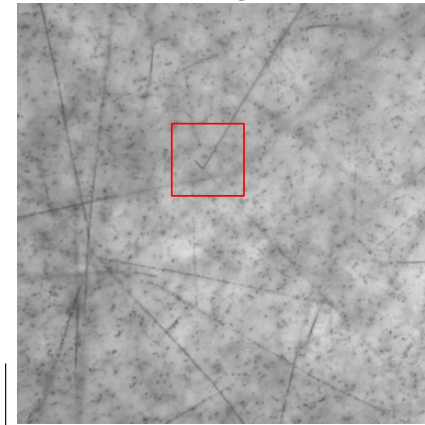


Simulated image

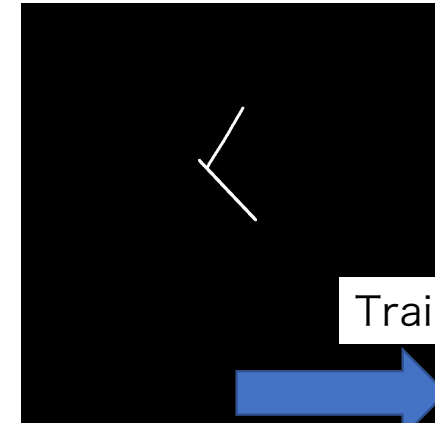


Training dataset (Simulated images)

Image



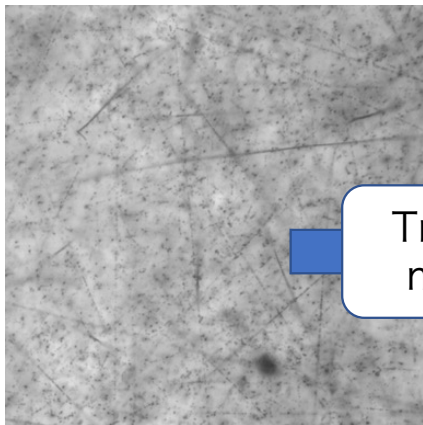
Mask



Training

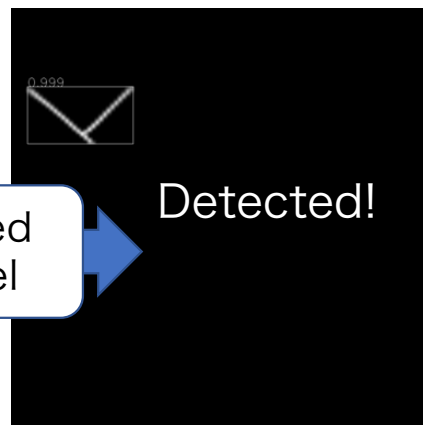
model

Real image



Trained model

Detected!



# Discovery of the first hypertriton event in E07 emulsions

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Perspective | Published: 14 September 2021

## New directions in hypernuclear physics

Takehiko R. Saito ✉, Wenbou Dou, Vasyi Drozd, Hiroyuki Ekawa, Samuel Escrig, Yan He, Nasser Kalantar-Nayestanaki, Ayumi Kasagi, Myroslav Kavatsyuk, Enqiang Liu, Yue Ma, Shizu Minami, Abdul Muneem, Manami Nakagawa, Kazuma Nakazawa, Christophe Rappold, Nami Saito, Christoph Scheidenberger, Masato Taki, Yoshiki K. Tanaka, Junya Yoshida, Masahiro Yoshimoto, He Wang & Xiaohong Zhou

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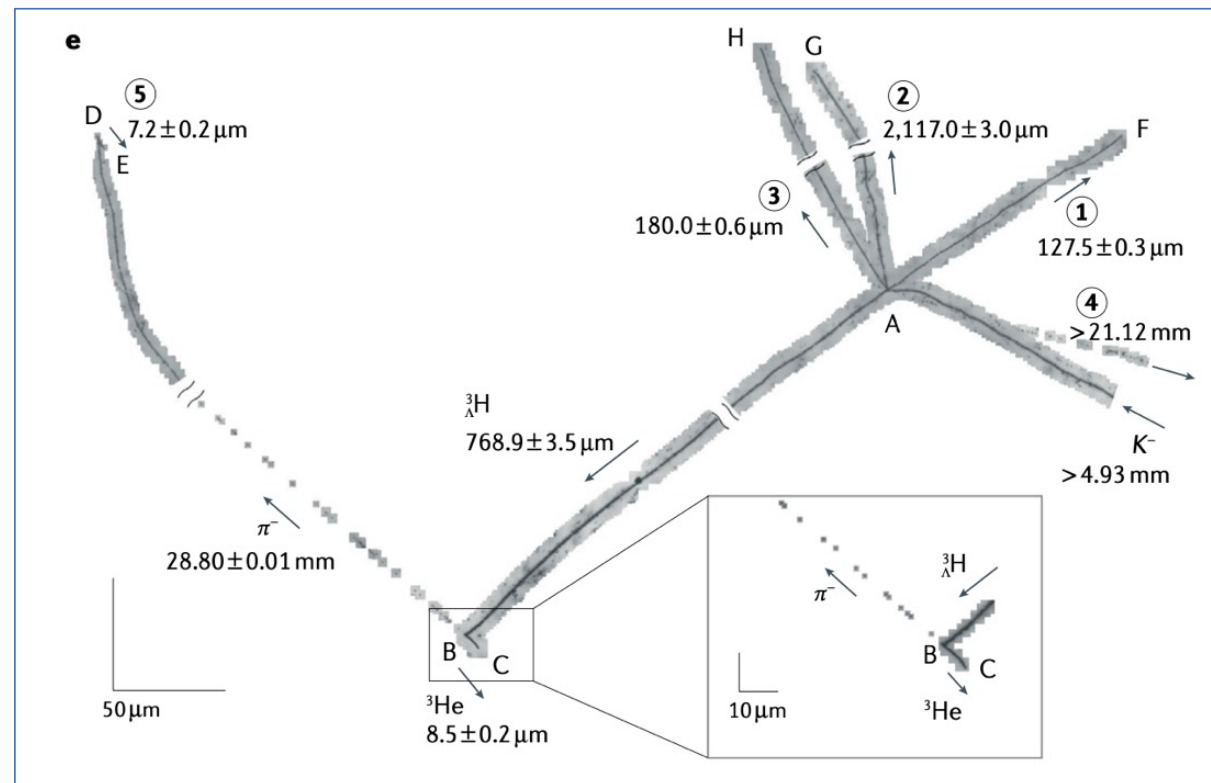
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**Guaranteeing the determination of the hypertriton binding energy SOON**

**Precision: 28 keV**

**E. Liu et al., EPJ A57 (2021) 327**

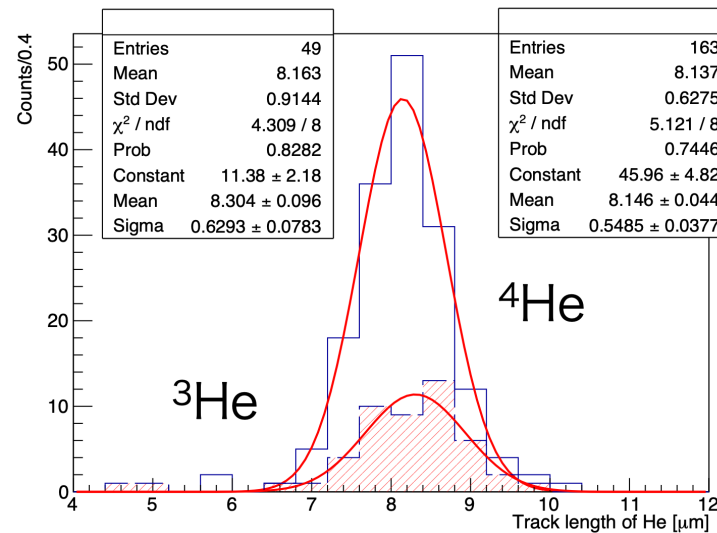
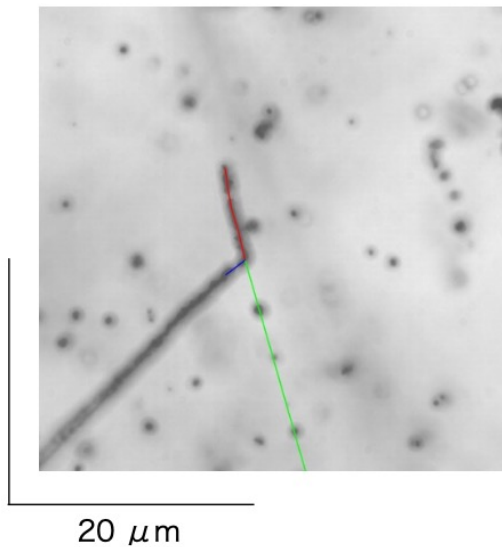


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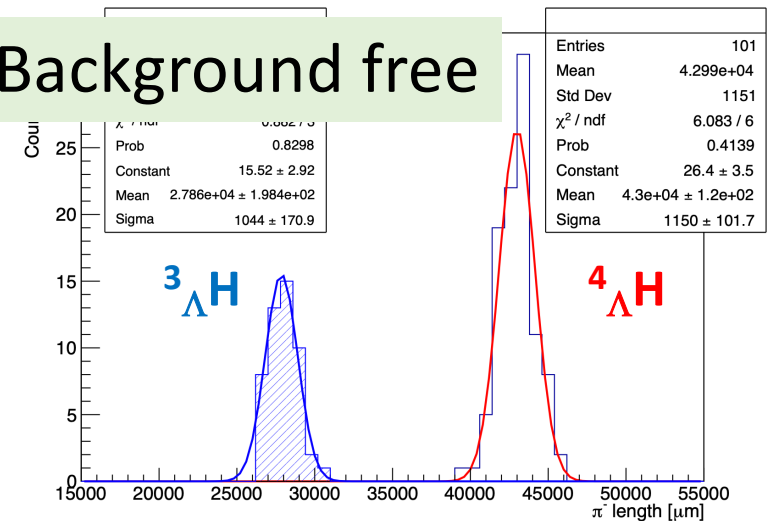
# Towards the hypertriton binding energy

- Calibration of the nuclear emulsion (density/shrinkage) for each event
- Increasing statistics (**so far only 0.6 % of the entire data**)

	Identified	Calibrated
${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$	49	49
${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$	101 (163 detected)	101 (138 detected)

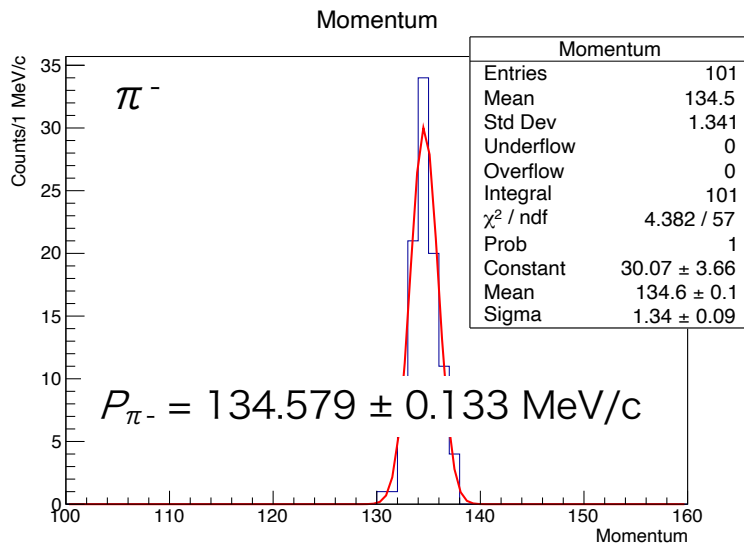
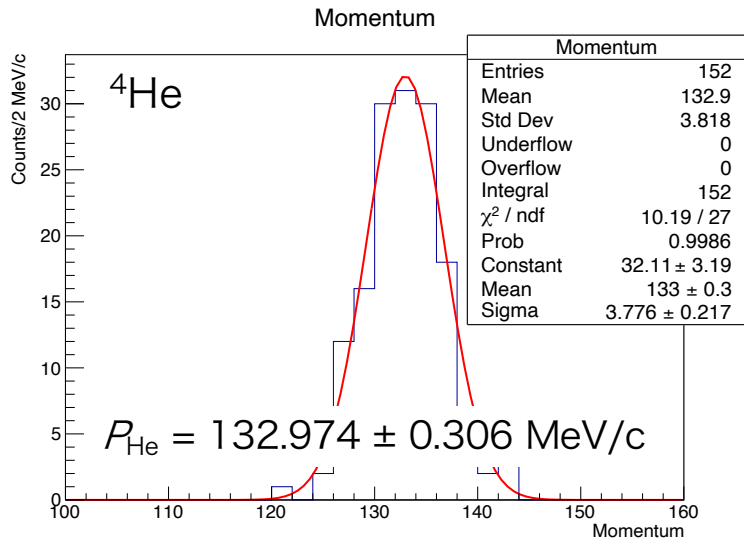


Background free

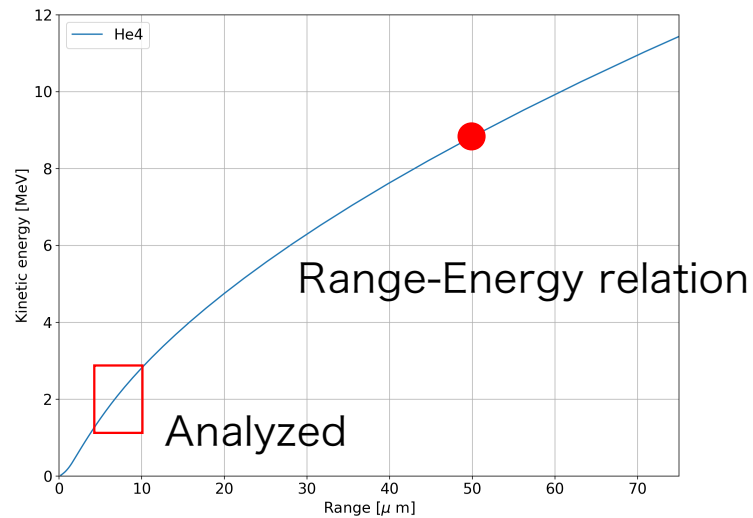


A. Kasagi et al., to be published soon

# Problems on $\pi^-$



**MAMI:  $P_{\pi^-} = 132.851 \pm 0.011 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.101 \text{ (syst.) MeV/c}$**   
 Nucl. Phys. A 954, 149 (2016)



We confirmed that **the Range-Energy Relation for energetic  $\pi^-$  is not correct**

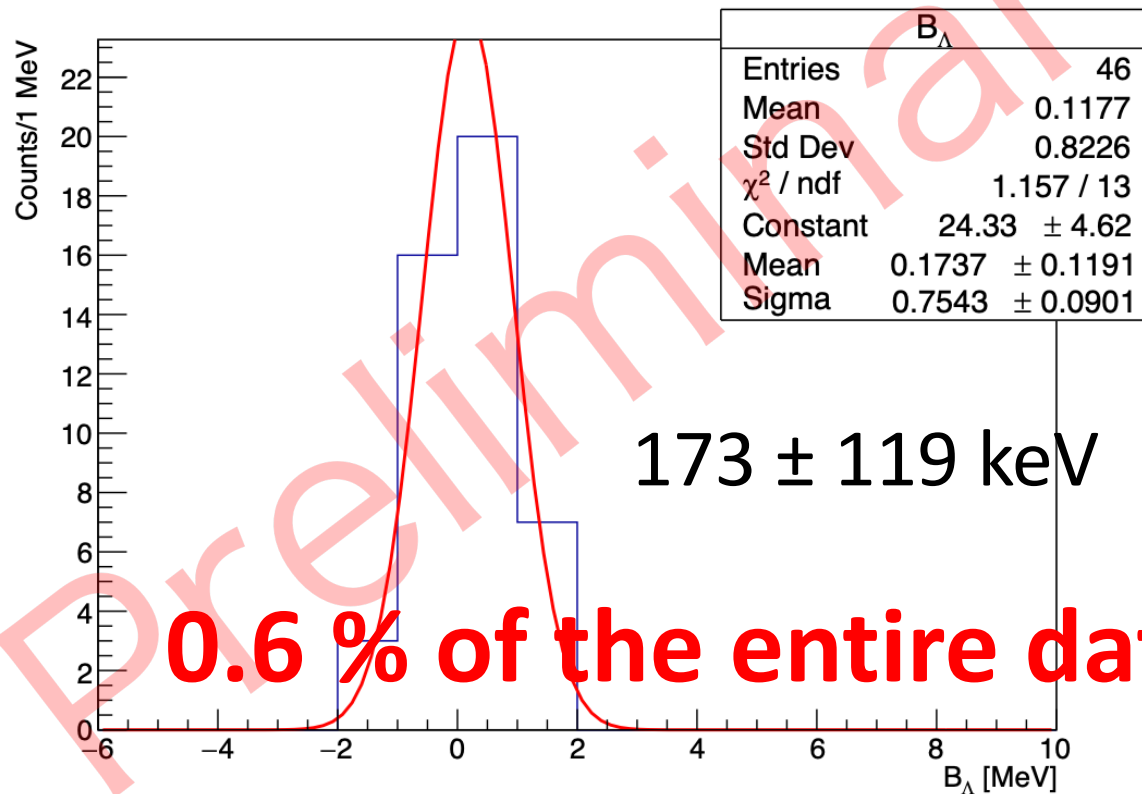
Known Range-Energy Relation is different because the difference of emulsion compositions



**May affect emulsion results at KEK (E373) and J-PARC (E07)**

A. Kasagi et al., to be published soon

# Range of the deduced binding energy



## ${}^3_\Lambda\text{H}$ Binding energy

$B_\Lambda({}^3_\Lambda\text{H}) : 0.13 \pm 0.05 \text{ MeV}$

G. Bohm et al., NPB **4** (1968) 511

M. Juric et al., NPB **52** (1973) 1

## STAR (2020)

**$0.41 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.11 \text{ MeV}$**

STAR Collaboration,  
Nat. Phys. **16** (2020) 409

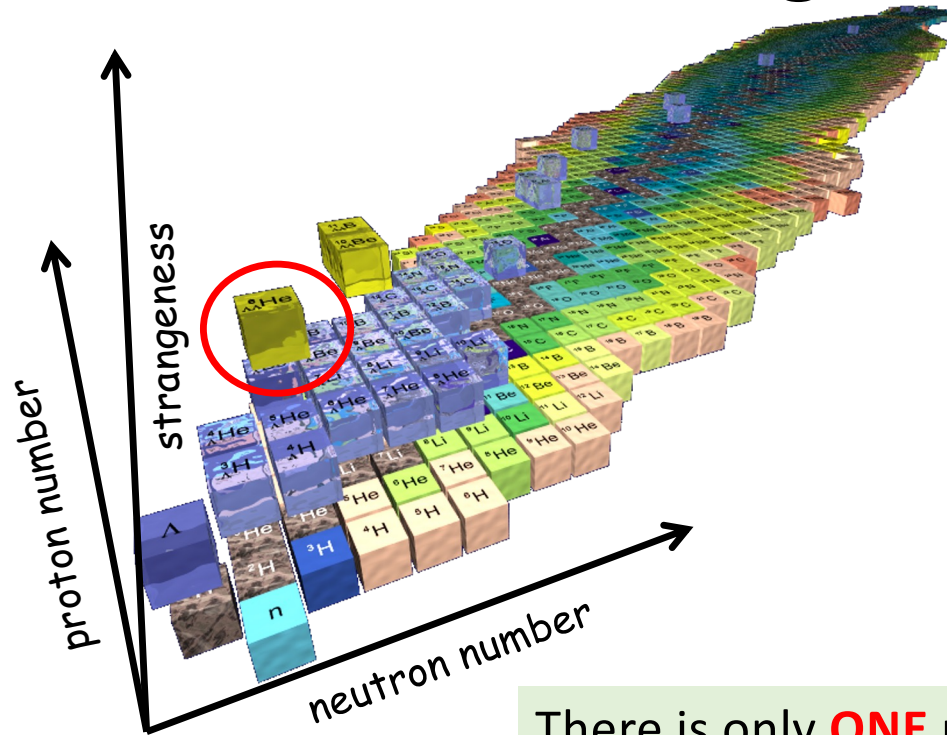
## ALICE

**$0.102 \pm 0.063 \pm 0.067 \text{ MeV}$**

Phys. Rev. Lett. **131**, 102302 (2023)

A. Kasagi et al., to be published

# Chart of double-strangeness hypernuclei



There is only **ONE** uniquely unidentified S=-2 hypernucleus  
Nagara event,  ${}^6_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{He}$

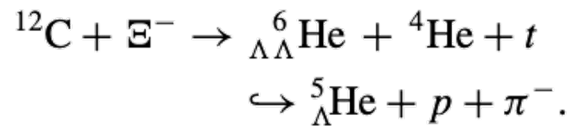
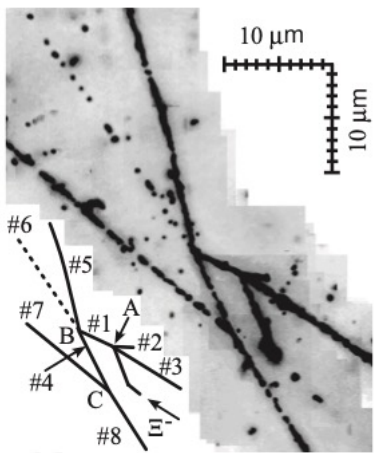
$$\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda} = 0.67 \pm 0.17 \text{ MeV}$$

# ${}^6_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{He}$ (the Nagara event)

Results in the NAGARA paper

<https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevLett.87.212502>

<https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevC.88.014003>



VertexA(Production)

$$\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda} - B_{\Xi} = 0.69 \pm 0.20 \text{ MeV}$$

VertexB(Decay)

$$\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda} = 0.6 \pm 0.6 \text{ MeV}$$

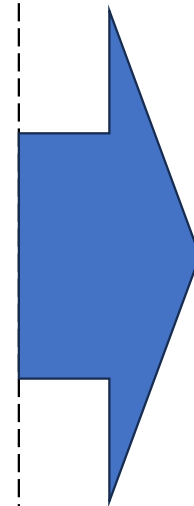
$$B_{\Lambda\Lambda} = 6.79 + 0.91B_{\Xi^-} (\pm 0.16) \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda} = 0.55 + 0.91B_{\Xi^-} (\pm 0.17) \text{ MeV}$$

$$B_{\Lambda\Lambda} = 6.91 \pm 0.16 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda} = 0.67 \pm 0.17 \text{ MeV}$$

(Assumption:  $B_{\Xi^-} = 0.13 \text{ MeV}$  (3D))



$\Delta B_{\Lambda\Lambda}$ : 2 – 3 times larger

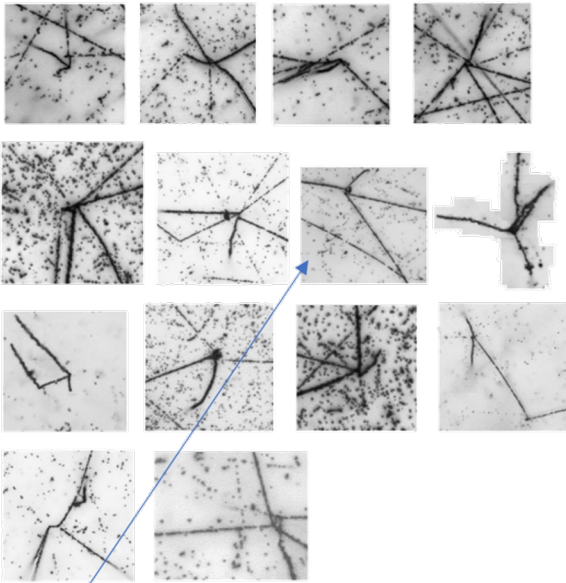
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VERY PRELIMINARY

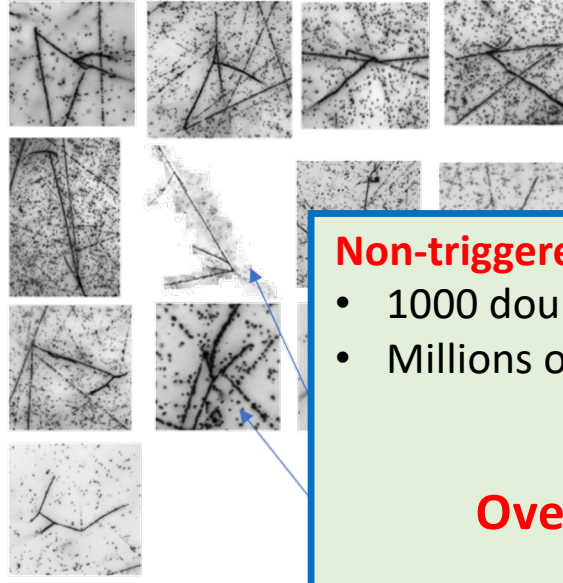


# Results from J-PARC E07 (Hybrid method)

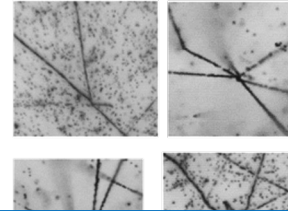
$\Lambda\Lambda$  candidates: 14



Twin  $\Lambda$  events: 13



Others: 6



**Non-triggered events recorded in 1300 emulsions sheets**

- 1000 double-strangeness ( $\Lambda\Lambda$ - and  $\Xi$ -) hypernuclear events
- Millions of single-strangeness hypernuclear events



**Overall scanning of all emulsion sheets  
(35 X 35 cm<sup>2</sup> X 1000)**

$\Lambda\Lambda$ Be

H. Ekawa et al., Prog. Theor. Exp. Phys. 2019, 021D02

M. Yoshimoto

Prog. Theor. Exp. Phys. 2021, 073D02

$^{15}_{\Xi}$ C

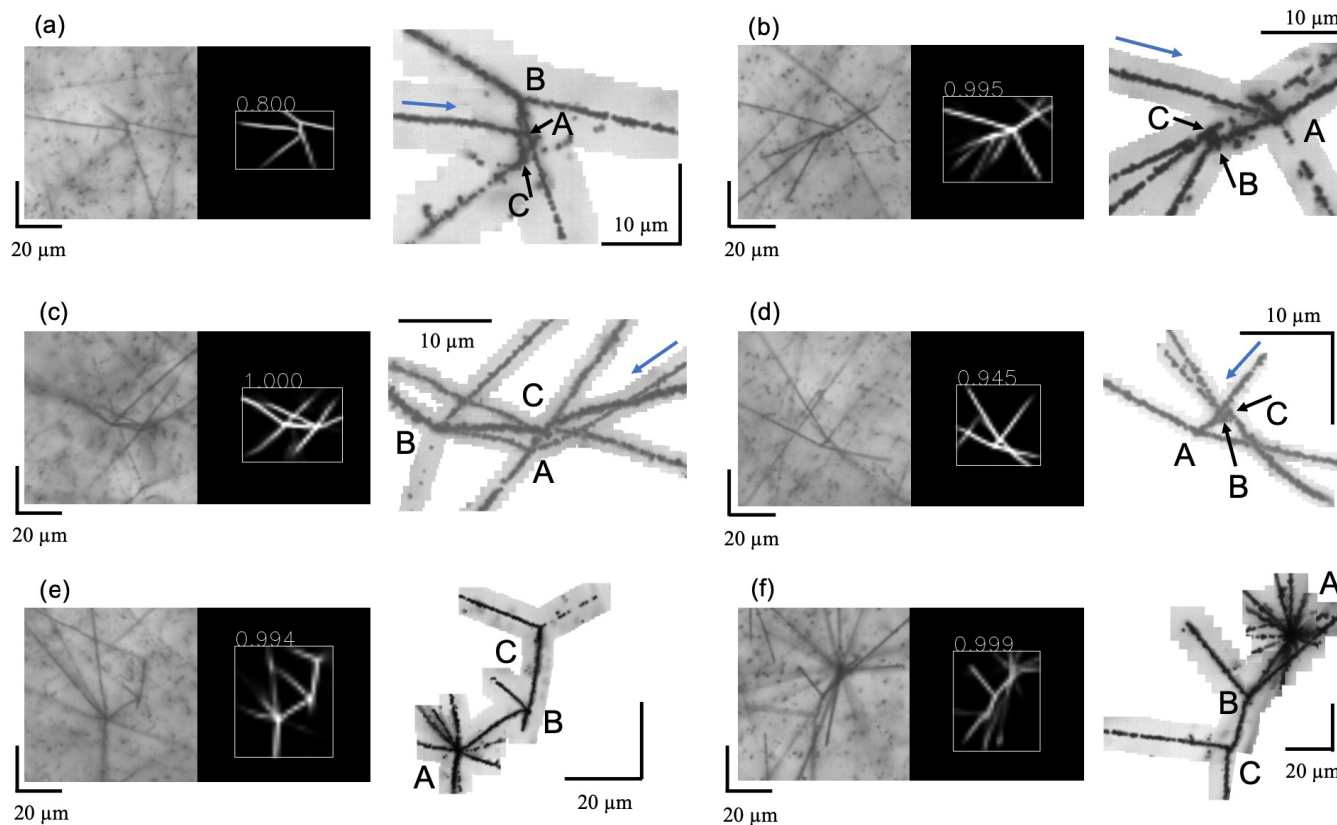
**Only 33 candidates**

**No unique identification for double- $\Lambda$  hyp.**

# Searching for double-strangeness hypernuclei

Yan He  
(LZU/RIKEN)  
Ph.D. thesis

- Analyzed **0.2%** of the entire data, **more than 10 candidates** found.
- Searching for double-strangeness hypernuclei with newly developed machine-learning method is in progress.

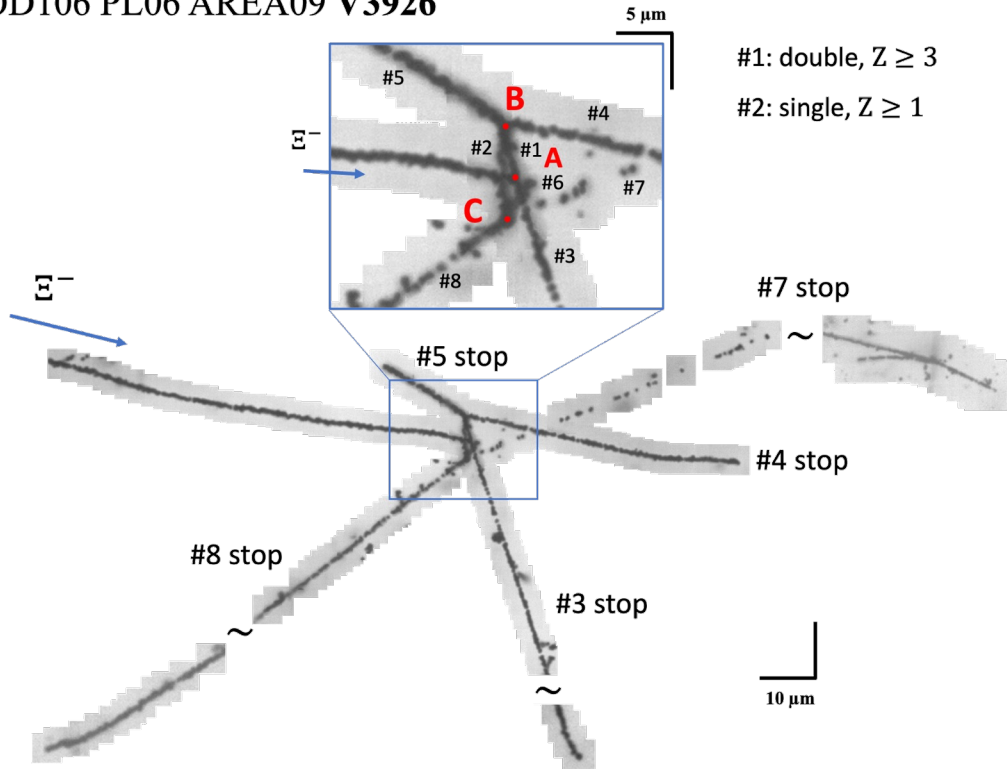


1000 candidates  
↓  
**~5000**  
**(500 can be uniquely identified)**

Yan He, et al.,  
submitted to NIMA  
currently under review

# One of potential candidate

MOD106 PL06 AREA09 V3926



#1: double,  $Z \geq 3$   
#2: single,  $Z \geq 1$

**As  $^{11}_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{Be}$ :**

Contradicting to the result of the Mino event as  $^{11}_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{Be}$  (J-PARC E07)

**As  $^{14}_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{C}$ :**

Newly discovered

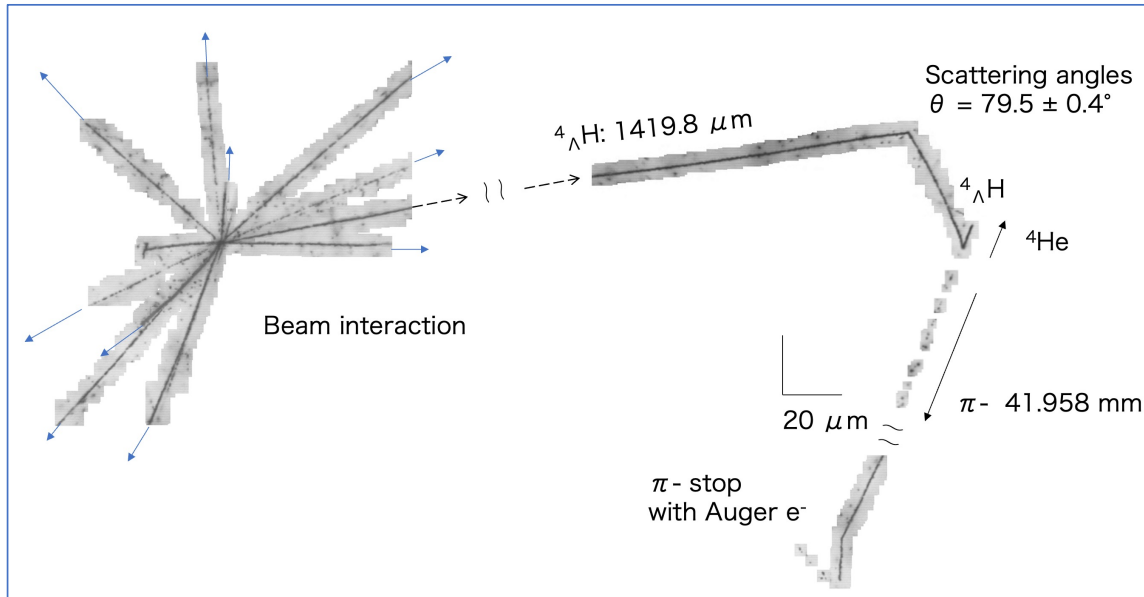
Probably  $\Lambda\Lambda(1S)$  coupled to  $2^+$  of  $^{12}\text{C}$

For both cases, the double hypernuclei decay into  $^5_{\Lambda}\text{H}$

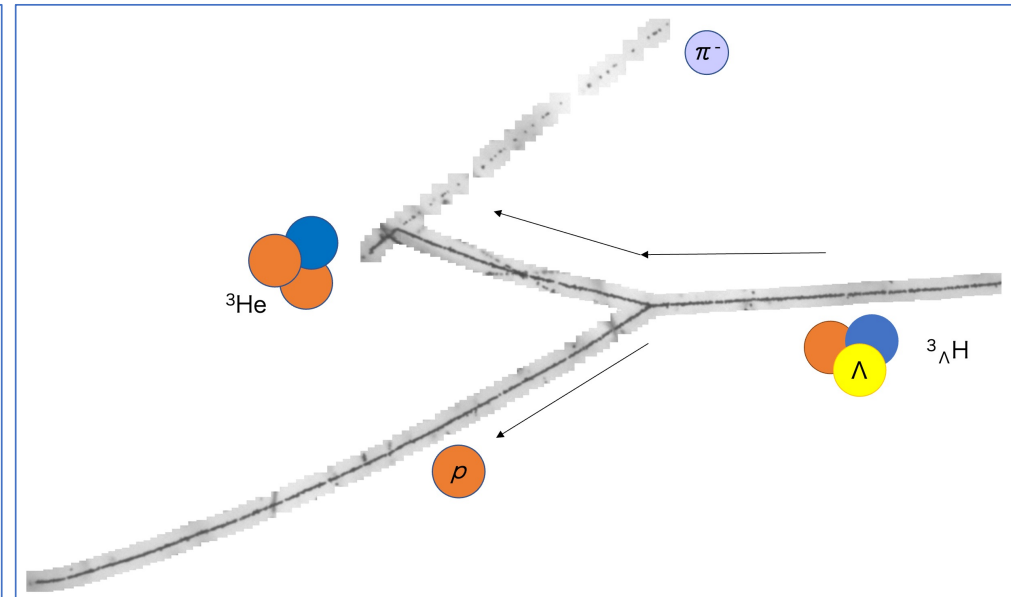
**New discovery**

Yan He, et al.,  
to be published

# Hypernuclear scattering



$4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$  scattering



$3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$  scattering

# Nuclear Emulsion + Machine Learning Collaboration

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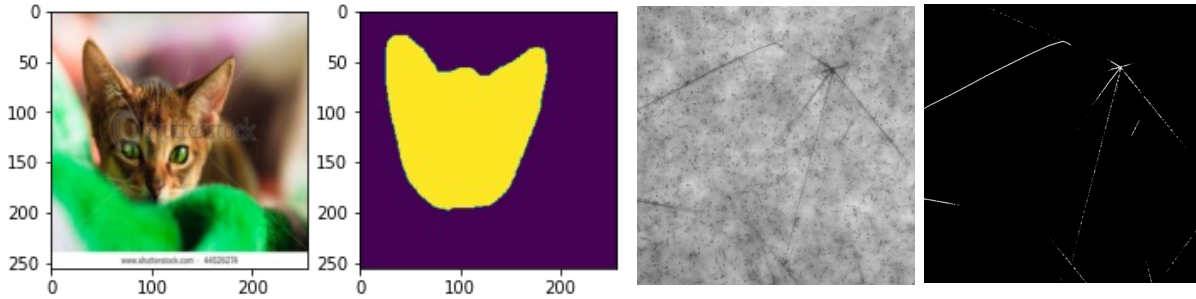
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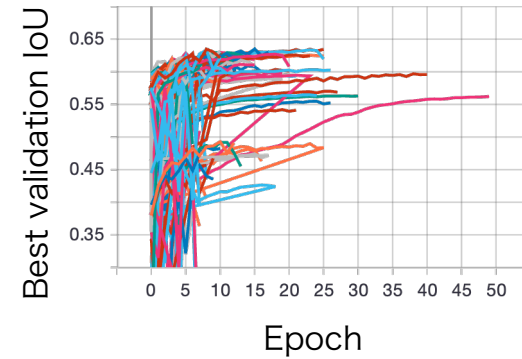
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# Segmentation task to detect hit information

- Binary segmentation (background or track)
- Training from scratch (with 40k surrogate images)



## Hyperparameter search with Optuna

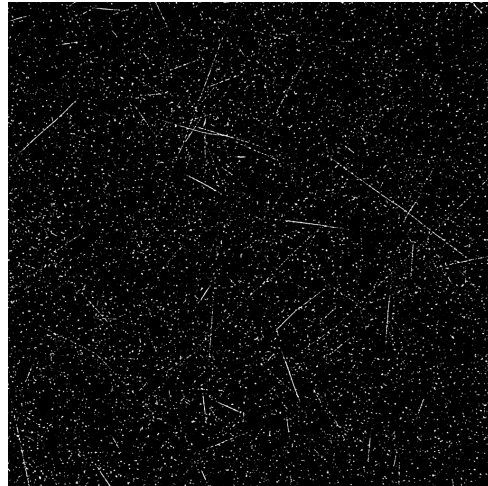
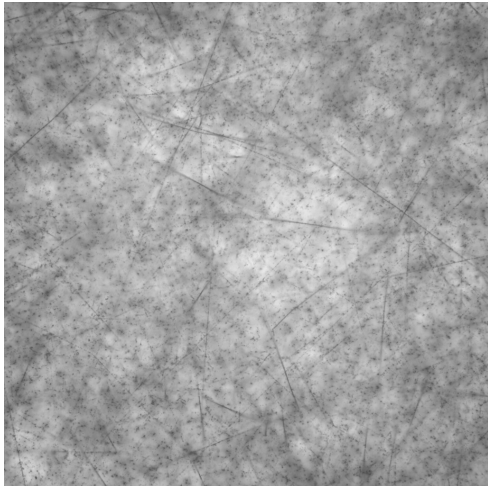


IoU	0.659
F1_score	0.795
Accuracy	0.998
Precision	0.748
Recall	0.805

Raw data

Conventional processing

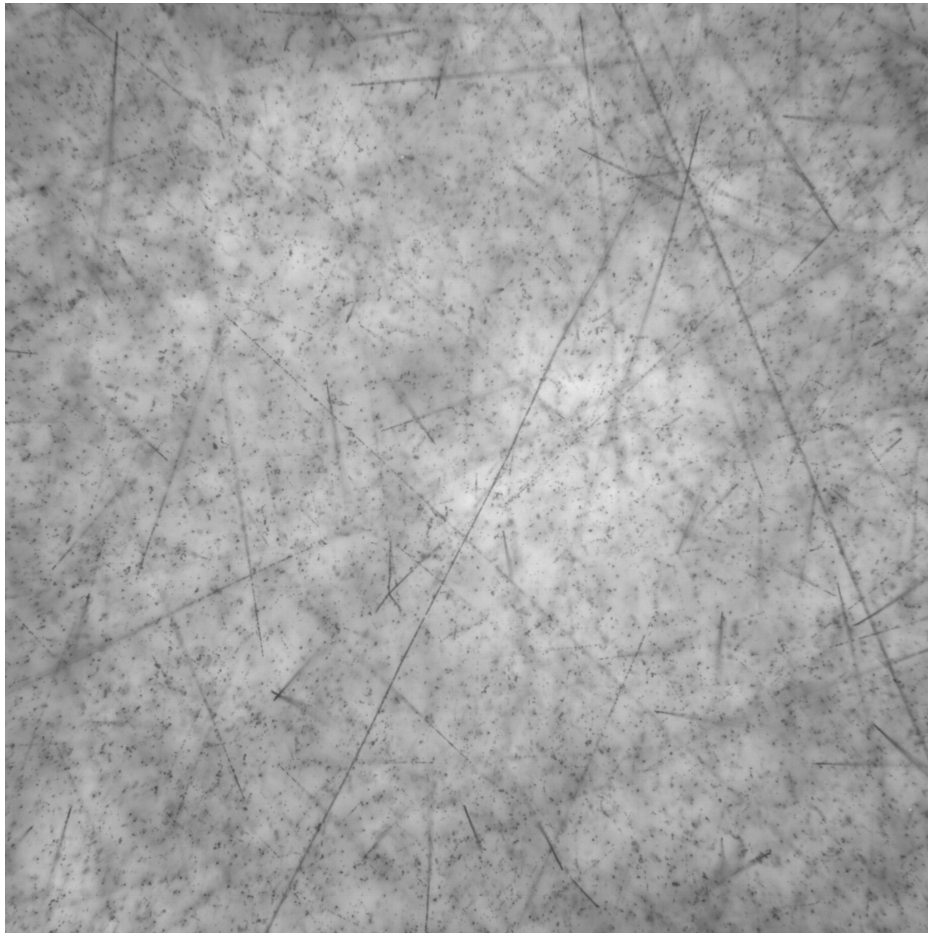
Present work



- Noise reduction
  - Datasize: 1/200
- E07 image data  
140 PB -> 750 TB

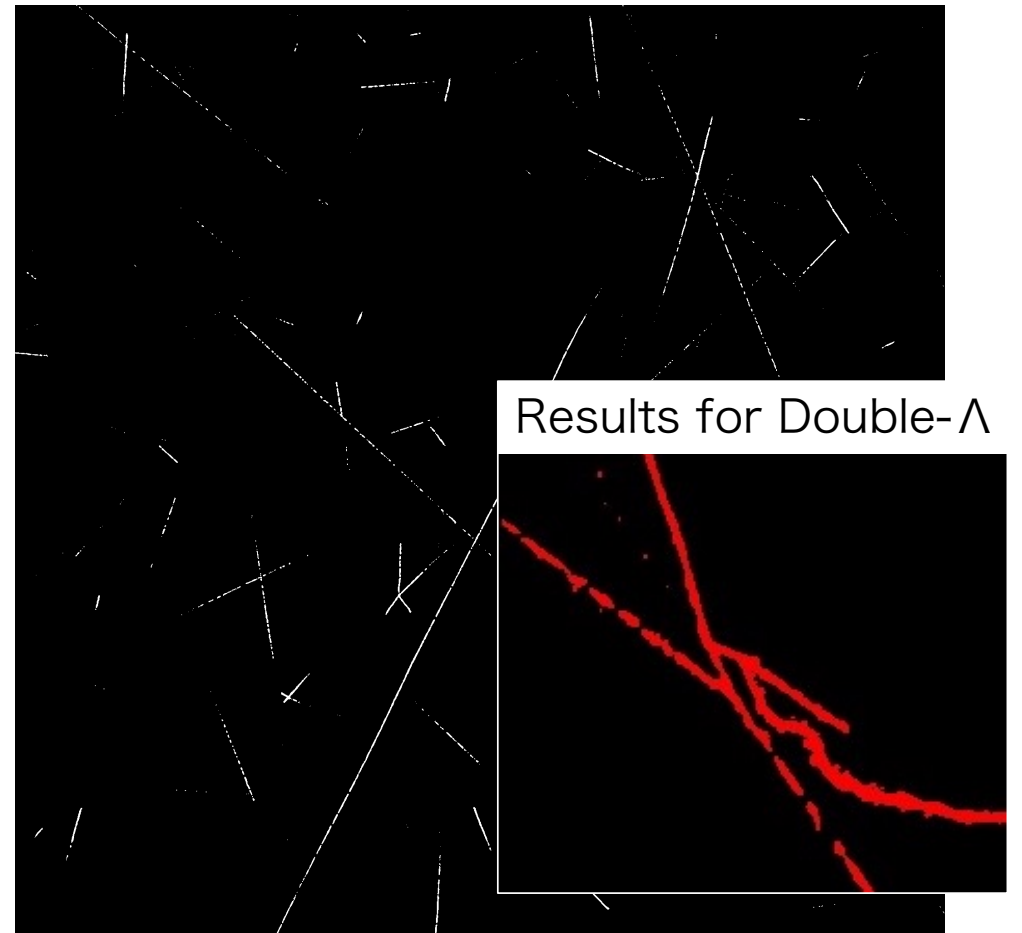
# Segmentation task to detect hit information

Raw data: 200 MB



100  $\mu\text{m}$

Segmentation: 1 MB



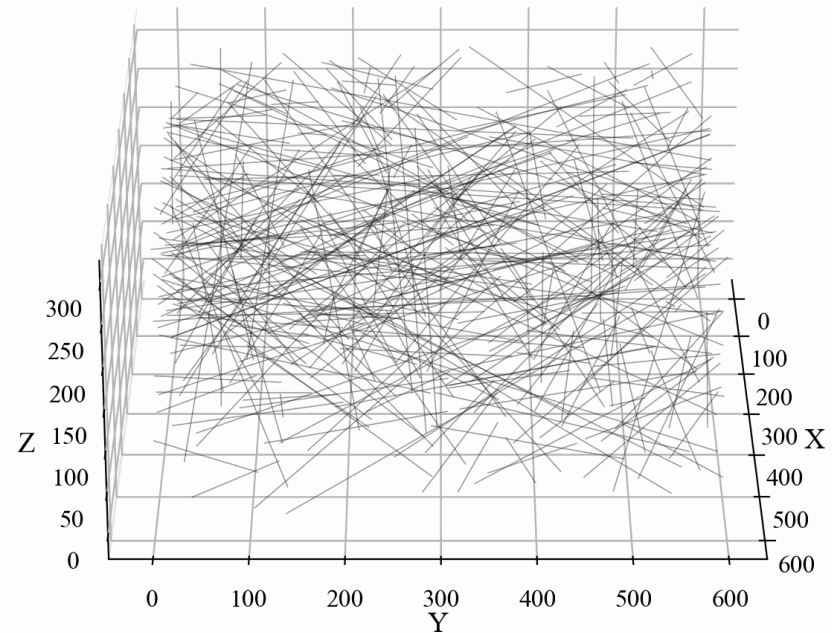
Kasagi, Nakazawa, Rappold, Shimizu, Yokota, to be published

# Reconstruction of track

Gabor filter & Connected Components



3D track reconstruction



- Image -> meta information of tracks: Data size will be negligible
- Reconstruction of dizzy track & vertex: Ongoing

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# New proposal at KLF/JLab

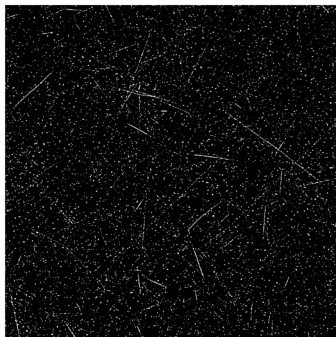


Neutral-K beams behind the Glue-X setup

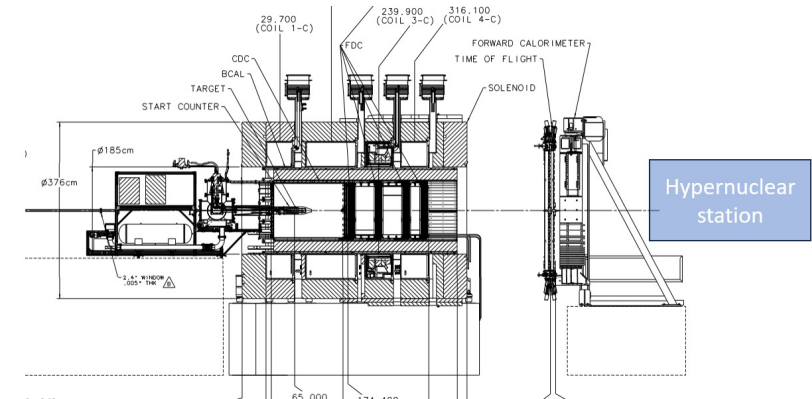
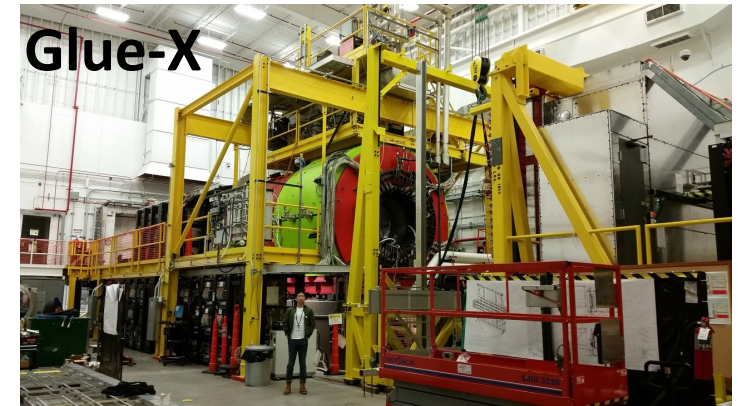
Hypernuclear station behind the Glue-X

- No beam tracks in the emulsion
  - We can leave emulsions, no movement
  - Main background: high energy gamma-rays

With  $K^-$  beams  
like in the J-PARC E07 exp.



With  $K^0$  beams  
In the proposed project



- Intensity:  $0.7 \times 10^4$  anti- $K^0$  /s
  - Two years from 2027: 200 days per year ( a total of 400 days)
  - **2.3 times more** than J-PARC E07 (**2.3 k double-strangeness hypernuclei**) with **HIGH QUALITY DATA**

- FNTD ( $Al_2O_3:C,Mg$ )
  - Used for neutron imaging
  - Recyclable

# New pro

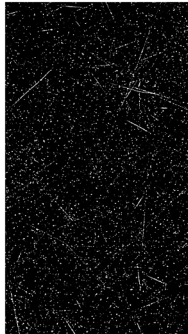
## Neutral-K beam

## Hypernuclear

### • No beam tra

- We can l
- Main bac

With K<sup>-</sup> beams  
like in the J-PA



- Intensity: 0.1
- Two year
- 2.3 time  
hypernu

## The Hypernuclear station at KLF (Technical Note)

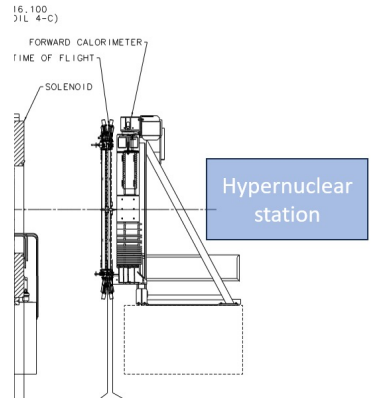
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(Dated: August 19, 2024)



$\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3:\text{C,Mg}$   
used for neutron  
imaging  
recyclable