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# *Study of $\Xi$ and Kaonic nuclear bound states using $^{12}\text{C}(\text{K}^-, \text{K}^+)$ and $^{12}\text{C}(\text{K}^-, \text{p})$ reaction at J-PARC*

Result of J-PARC E05 and E42 experiments  
SPICE: Strangeness hadrons as a Precision tool  
for strongly InterCting systEms (ECT\* workshop)  
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# E05 papers

(K<sup>-</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>) paper has been submitted

(K<sup>-</sup>, p) paper was published in 2020



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## Missing-mass measurement of the $^{12}\text{C}(K^-, K^+)$ reaction at 1.8 GeV/c with the SKS spectrometer

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We performed a measurement of the inclusive missing-mass spectrum of the  $^{12}\text{C}(K^-, K^+)$  reaction at an incident beam momentum of 1.8 GeV/c. This measurement was carried out by using the Superconducting Kaon Spectrometer (SKS) and the K1.8 beamline spectrometer at the Hadron Experimental Facility in J-PARC. Our experimental setup yielded a good energy resolution of 8.2 MeV (FWHM), which allowed us to observe significant enhancements in the proximity of the  $^{12}\text{Be}$  production threshold



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## An event excess observed in the deeply bound region of the $^{12}\text{C}(K^-, p)$ missing-mass spectrum

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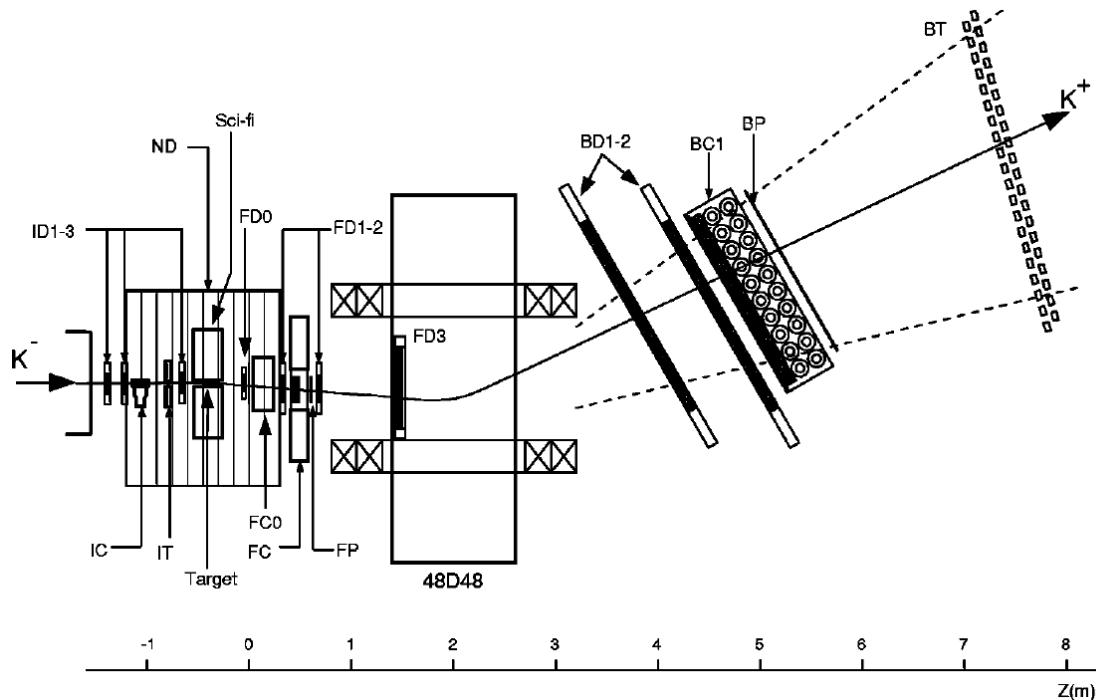
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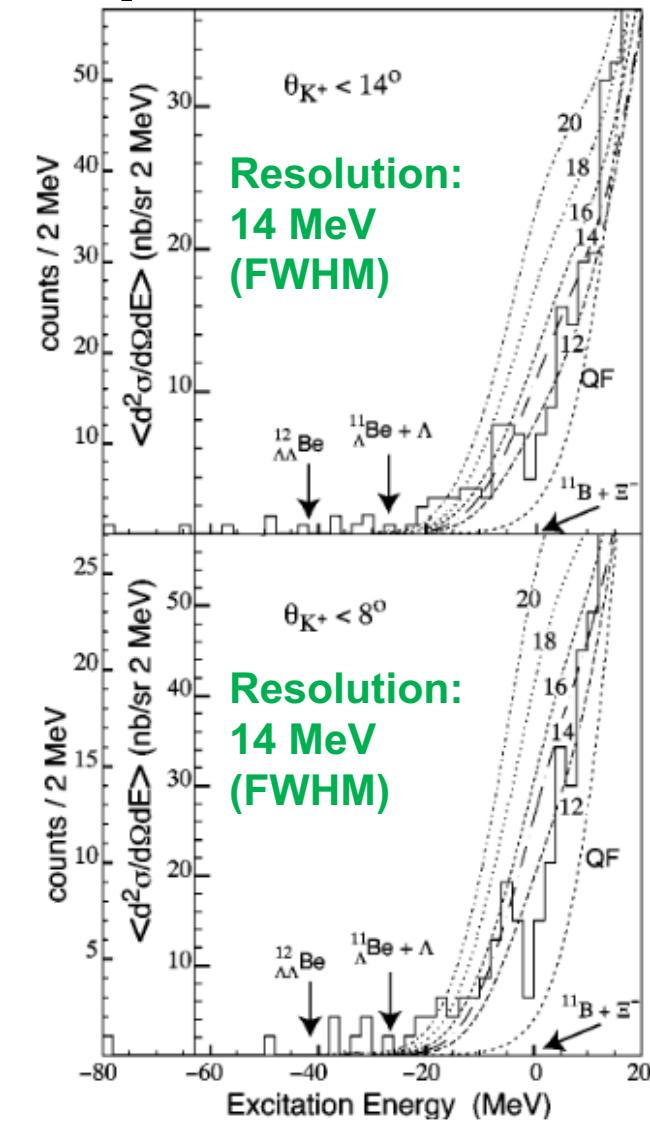
We have measured, for the first time, the inclusive missing-mass spectrum of the  $^{12}\text{C}(K^-, p)$  reaction at an incident kaon momentum of 1.8 GeV/c at the J-PARC K1.8 beamline. We observed a prominent quasi-elastic peak ( $K^- p \rightarrow K^- p$ ) in this spectrum. In the quasi-elastic peak region, the effect of secondary interaction is apparently observed as a peak shift, and the peak exhibits a tail in the bound region. We compared the spectrum with a theoretical calculation based on the Green's function method by assuming different values of the parameters for the  $K^-$ -nucleus optical potential. We found that the spectrum shape in the binding-energy region  $-300 \text{ MeV} < B_K < 40 \text{ MeV}$  is best reproduced with the potential depths  $V_0 = -80 \text{ MeV}$  (real part) and  $W_0 = -40 \text{ MeV}$  (imaginary part). On the other hand, we observed a significant event excess in the deeply bound region around  $B_K \sim 100 \text{ MeV}$ , where the major decay channel of  $K^- NN \rightarrow \pi \Sigma N$  is energetically closed, and the non-mesonic decay modes ( $K^- NN \rightarrow \Lambda N$  and  $\Sigma N$ ) should mainly contribute. The enhancement is fitted well by a Breit-Wigner function with

# Introduction BNL E885 experiment

$^{12}\text{C}(\text{K}^-, \text{K}^+)$  reaction @ 1.8 GeV/c



P. Khaustov et al., PRC **61** 054603(2000).



$V_0 \equiv \sim -14 \text{ MeV}$

# Introduction BNL E885 experiment

$$U_B(r) = -V_{0B}f(r) + V_{LSB}\left(\frac{\hbar}{m_\pi c}\right)(\mathbf{l} \cdot \mathbf{s})\frac{1}{r}\frac{df(r)}{dr} + U_{coulomb}(r),$$

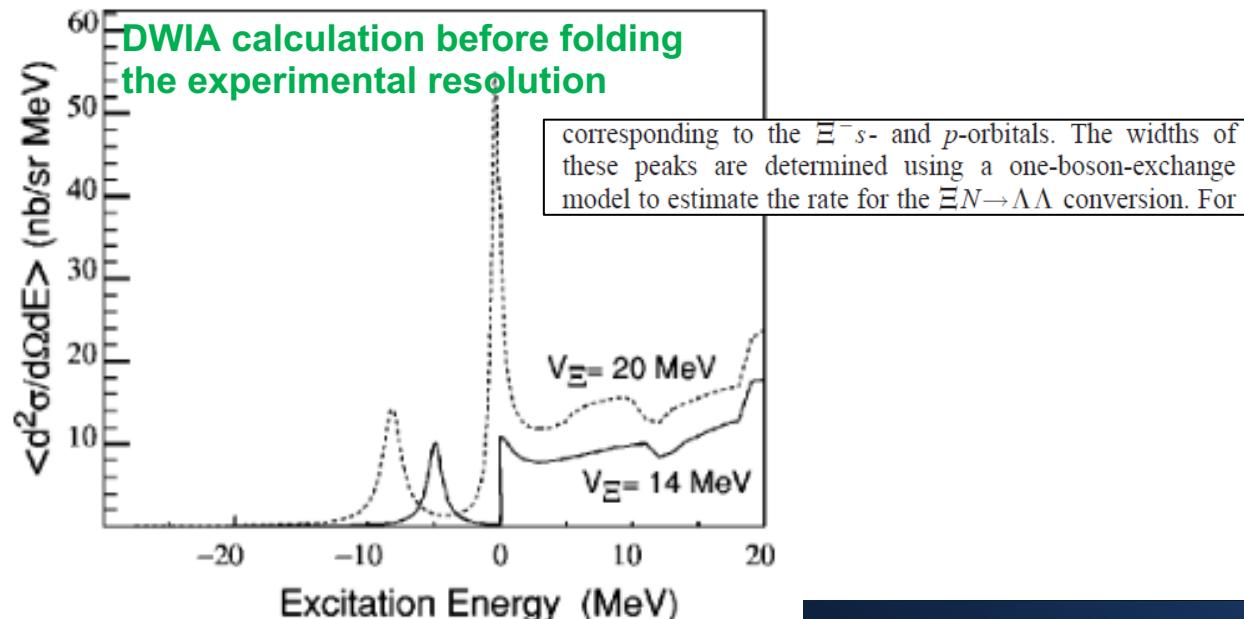
$$f(r) = (1 + e^{\frac{r-R}{a}})^{-1},$$

P. Khaustov Doctor thesis

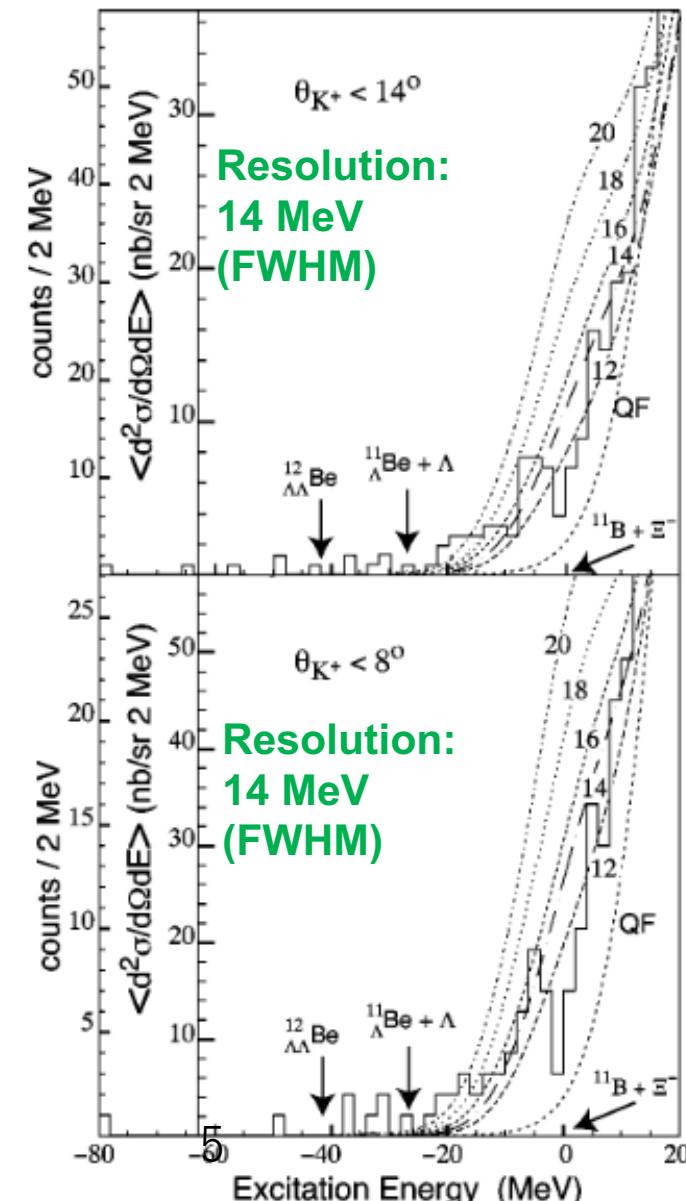
$$R = r_0(A - 1)^{1/3},$$

$r_0$ , fm	$a$ , fm	$V_{0\Xi}$ , MeV	$V_{LS\Xi}$ , MeV	$V_{0p}$ , MeV	$V_{LSp}$ , MeV
1.1	0.65	20, 16	1	72.5	7

Maybe, they did not consider the imaginary part  $W_0^\Xi$ .  
 The width of peaks are considered.  
 However, resolution will be more effective than  $\Gamma$ .



P. Khaustov et al., PRC 61 054603(2000).



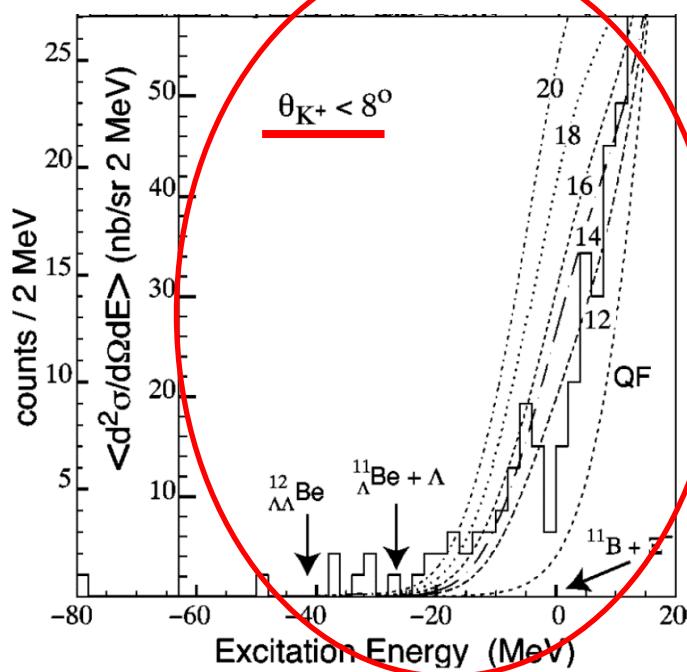
# Theoretical study by Kohno

$\Gamma/2$  is assumed to be 2 MeV

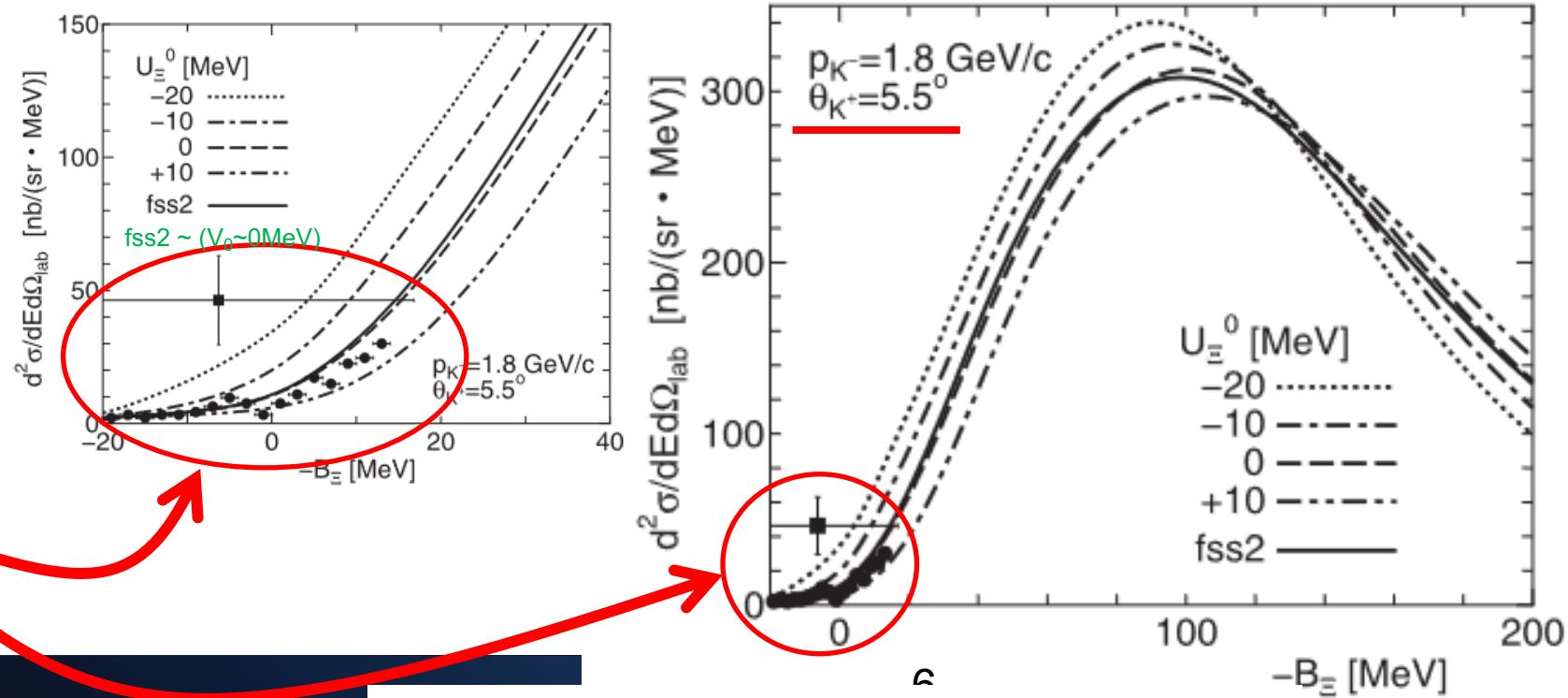
BNL E885

$W_0$  is assumed  
to be 0 MeV

→  $V_0 \Xi \sim -14$  MeV



→  $V_0 \Xi \sim 0$  MeV can also reproduce the data  
*Wide energy range and precise angle selection data is essential !!*



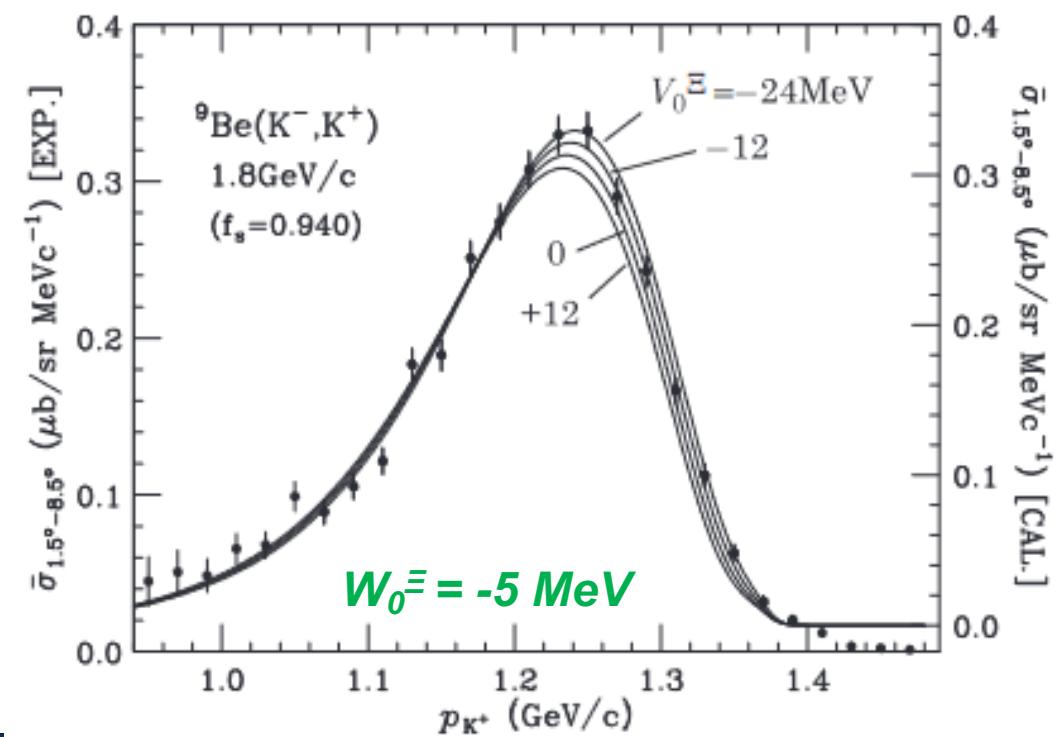
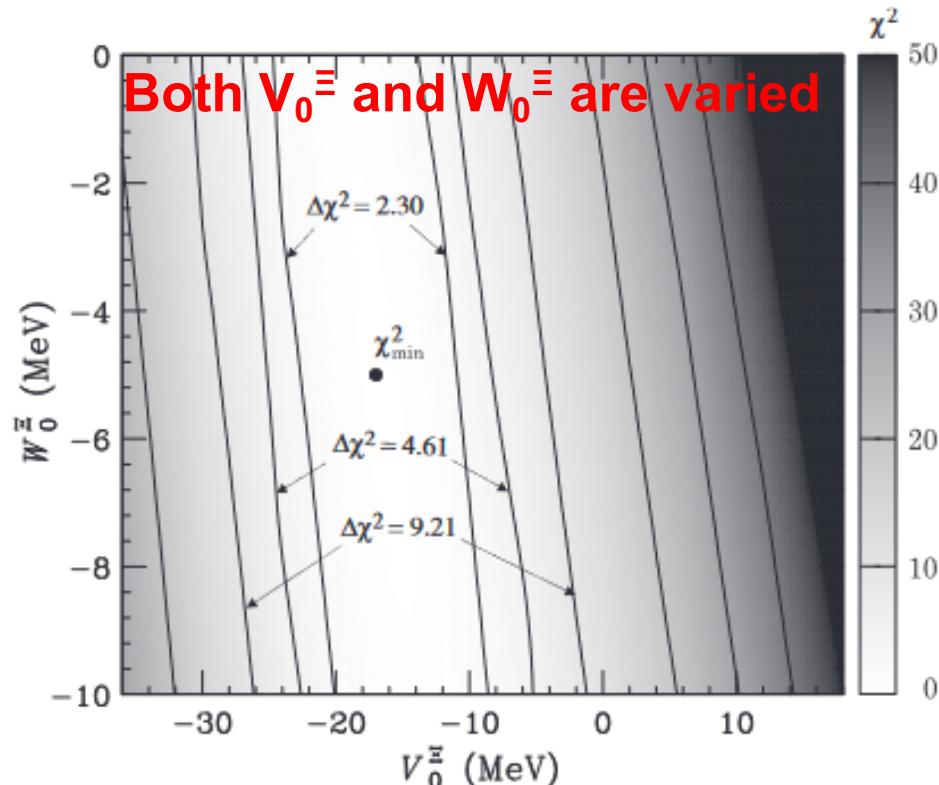
# Recent theoretical study by Harada

T. Harada and Y. Hirabayashi, Phys. Rev. C **103**, 024605 (2021).

$$V_0^{\Xi} = -17 \pm 6 \text{ MeV} \quad (W_0^{\Xi} \text{ is difficult to determine})$$

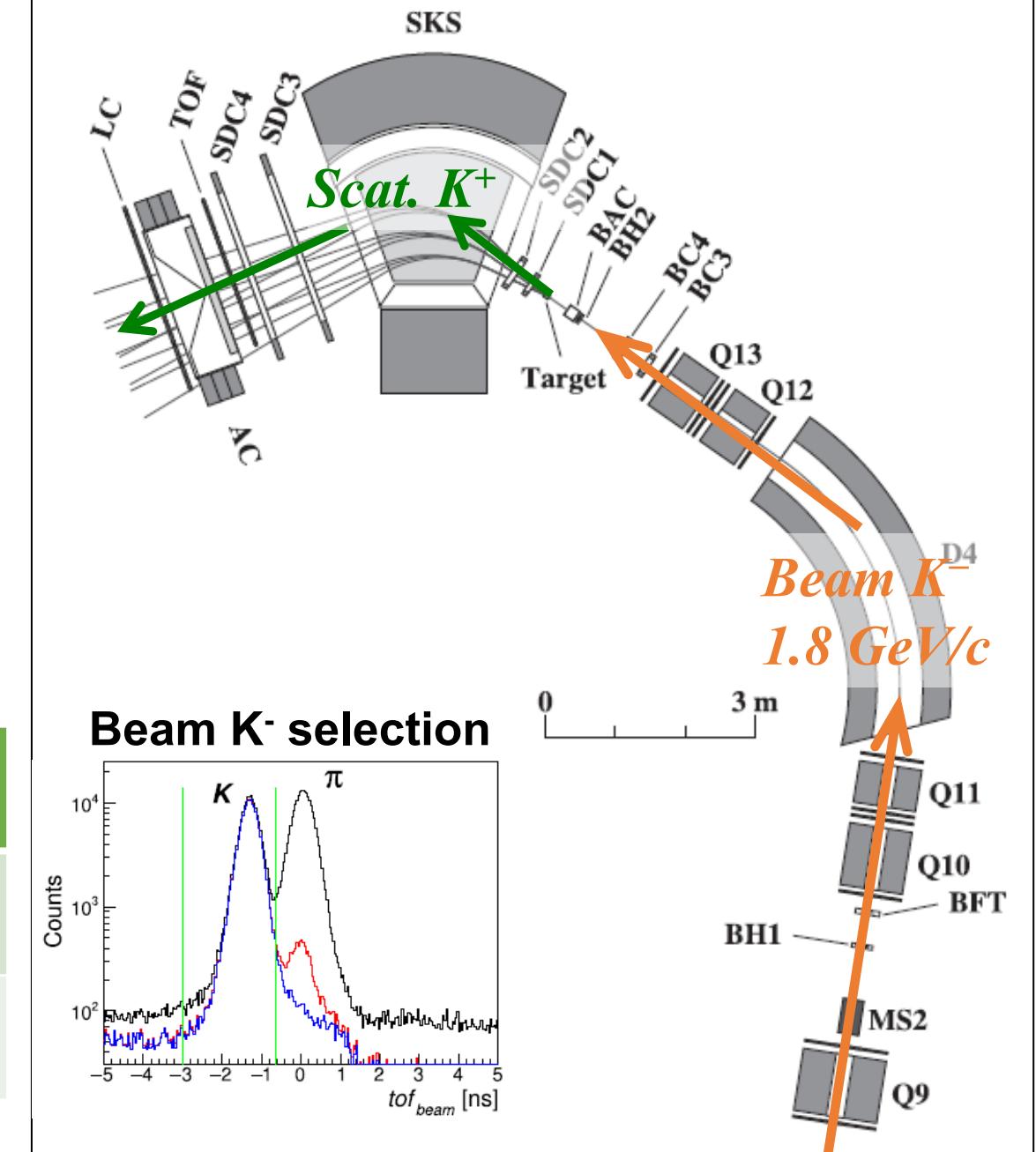
\*  $W_0^{\Xi} = \underline{W_0(\Xi^- p \rightarrow \Xi^0 n)} + W_0(\Xi^- p \rightarrow \Lambda\Lambda)$

**No sensitivity to Imaginary part from the inclusive analysis**

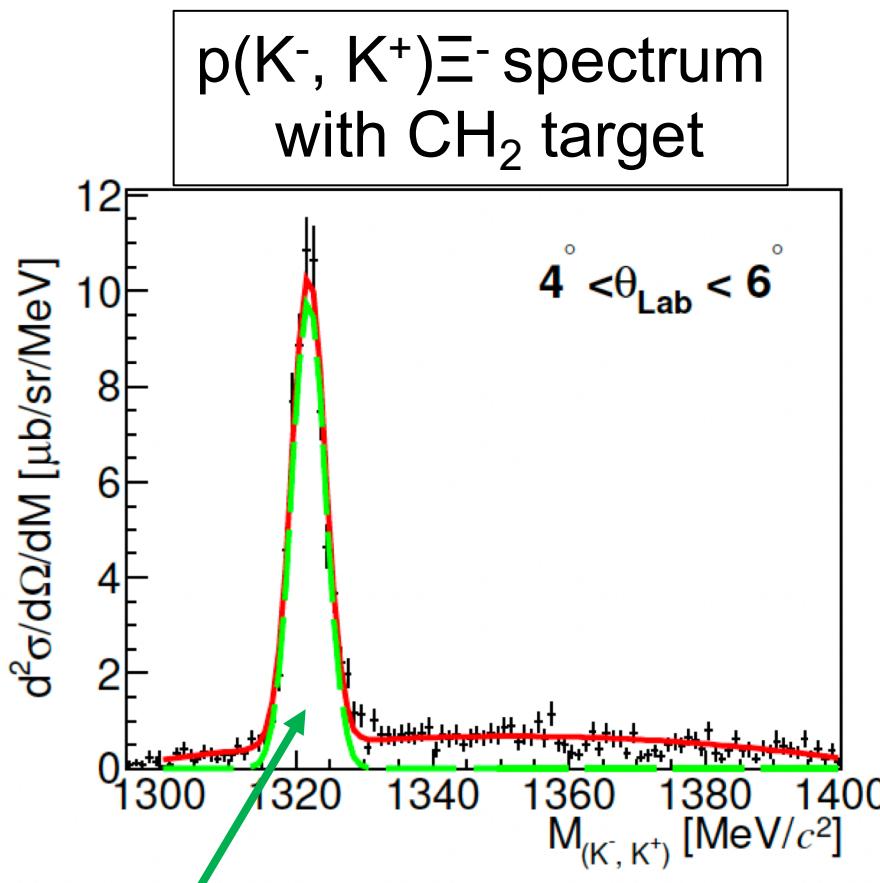


# J-PARC E05 EXPERIMENT

Experiment	BNL E885	J-PARC E05	J-PARC E70
Resolution FWHM (MeV)	14	8	2
Momentum range (GeV/c)	0.8-1.4	0.8-2.2	1.2-1.5

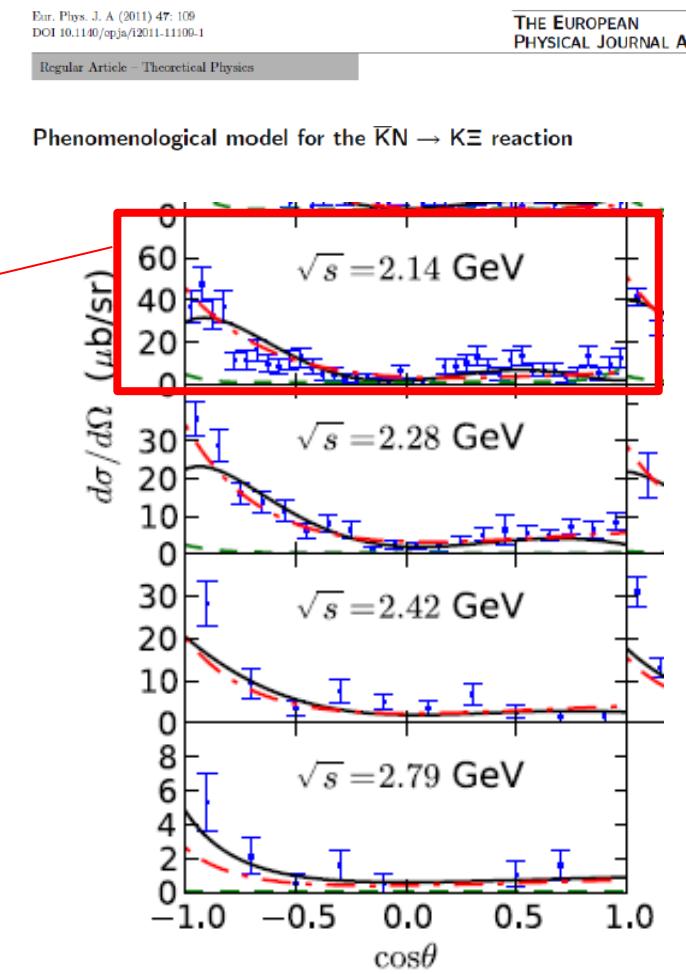
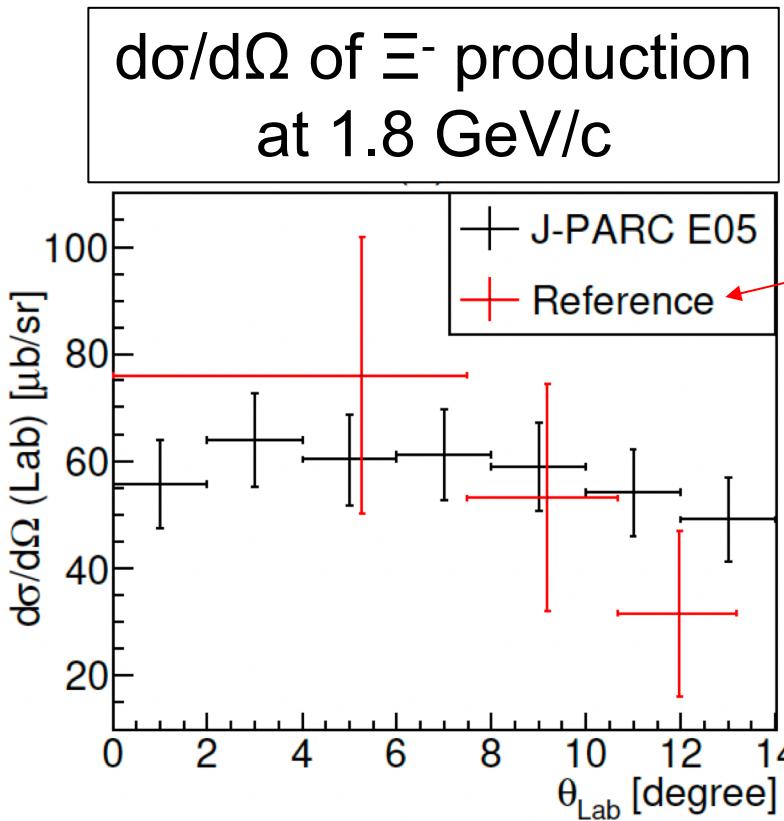


# Elementary cross-section $p(K^-, K^+) \Xi^-$



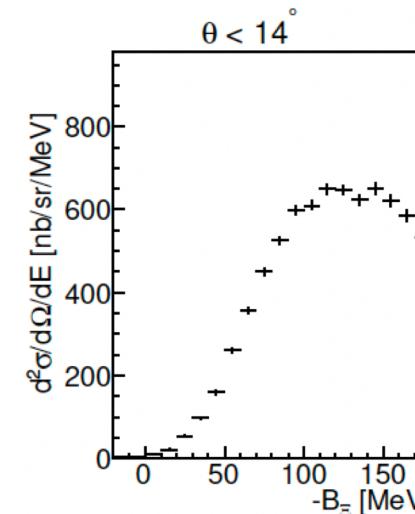
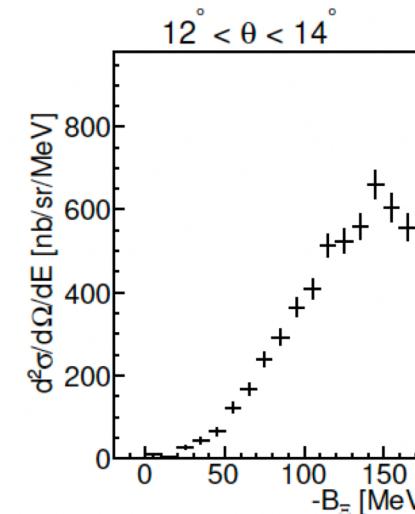
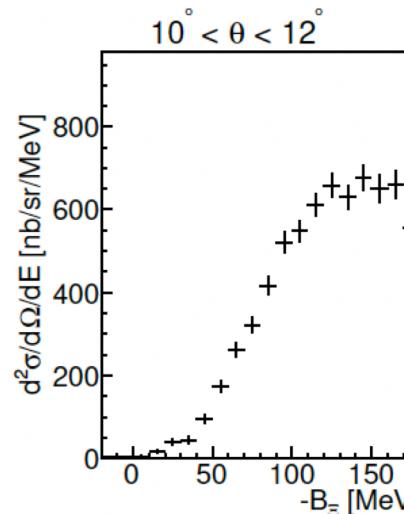
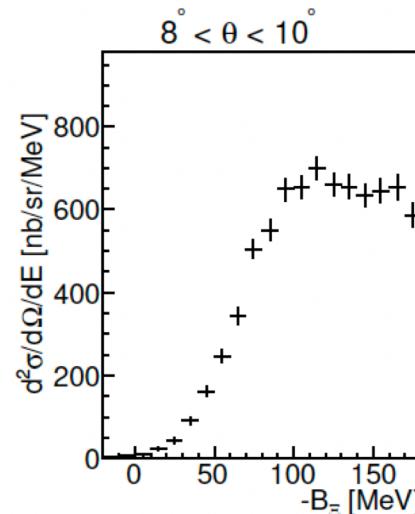
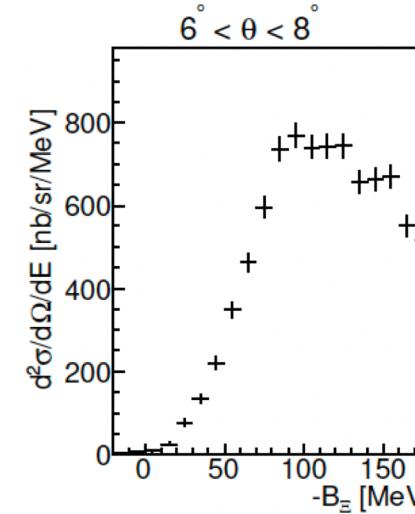
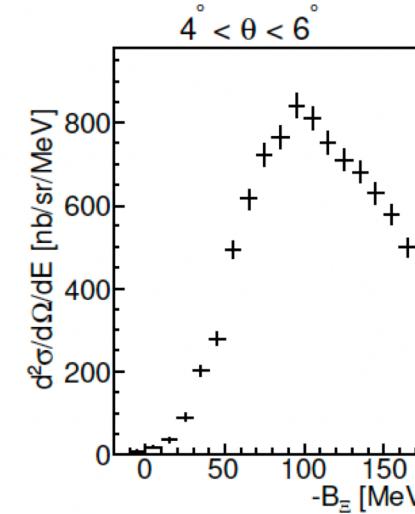
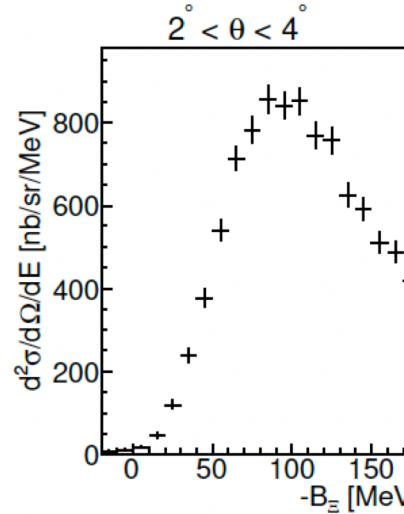
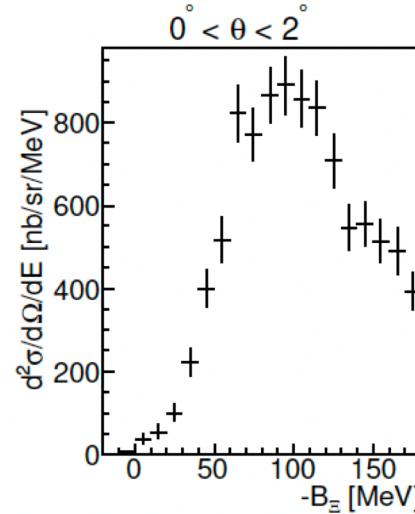
$$\Delta M = 5.8 \text{ MeV (FWHM)}$$

$$\rightarrow \Delta B_\Xi = 8.2 \text{ MeV (FWHM)}$$

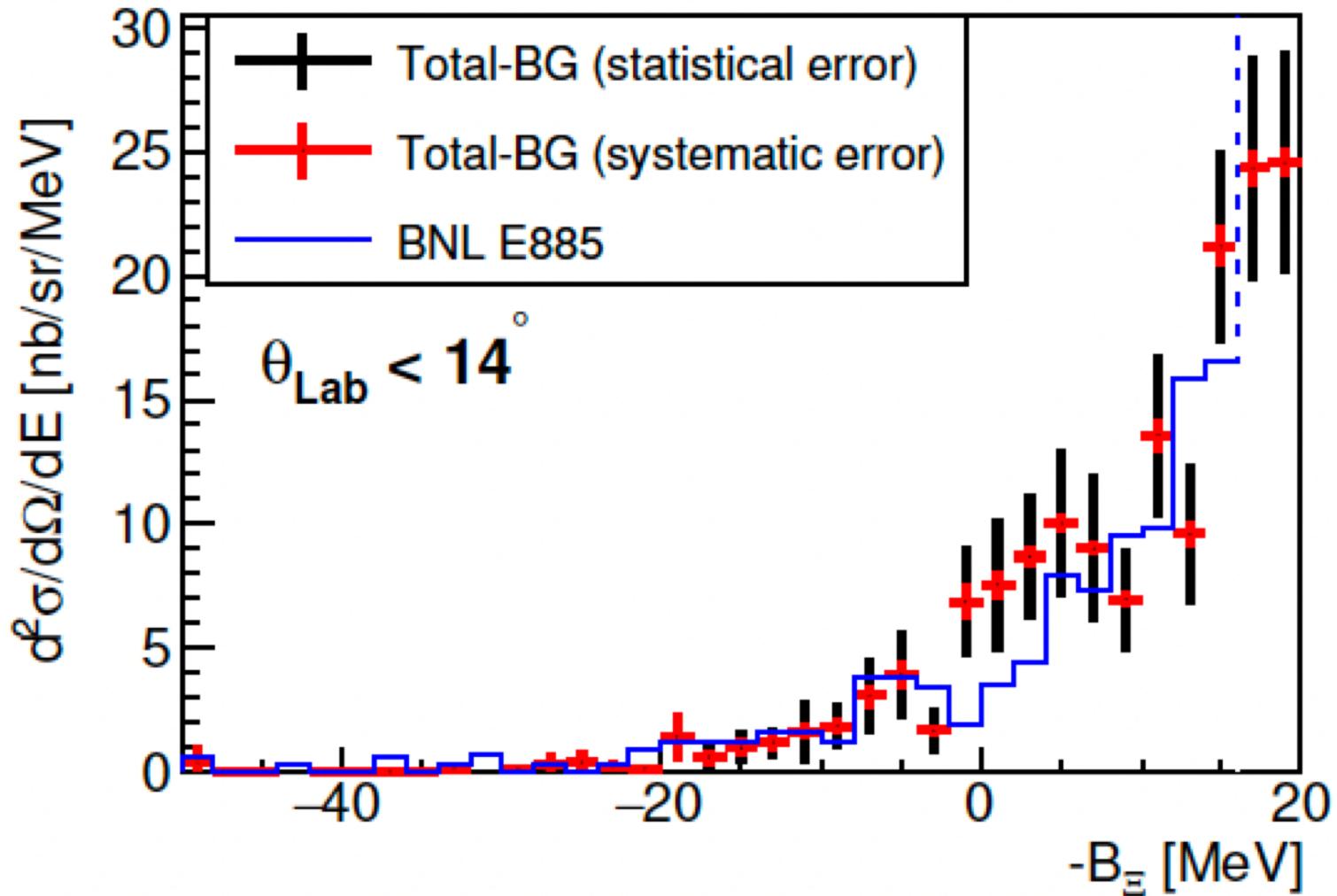


# E05 $^{12}\text{C}(\text{K}^-, \text{K}^+)$ spectrum

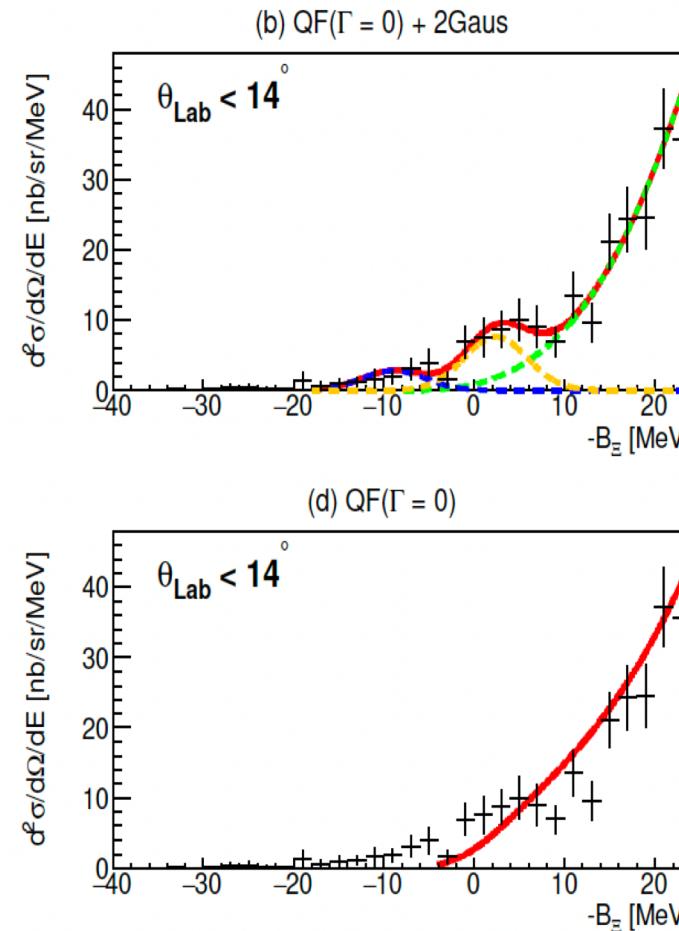
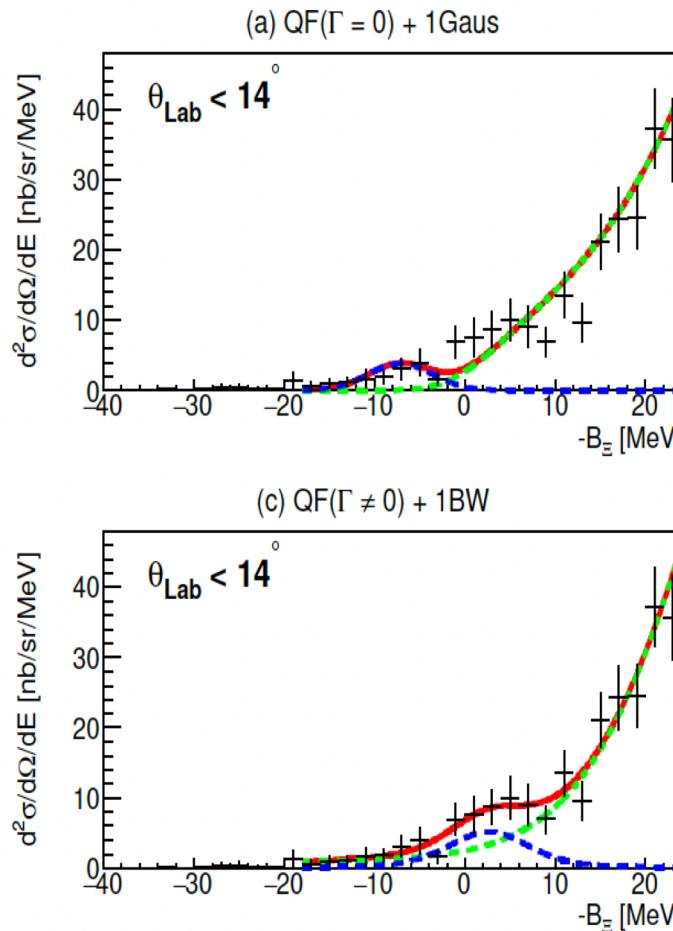
→  $(V_0^\Xi, W_0^\Xi)$  will be determined in high precision



# $^{12}\text{C}(\text{K}^-, \text{K}^+)$ spectrum near threshold

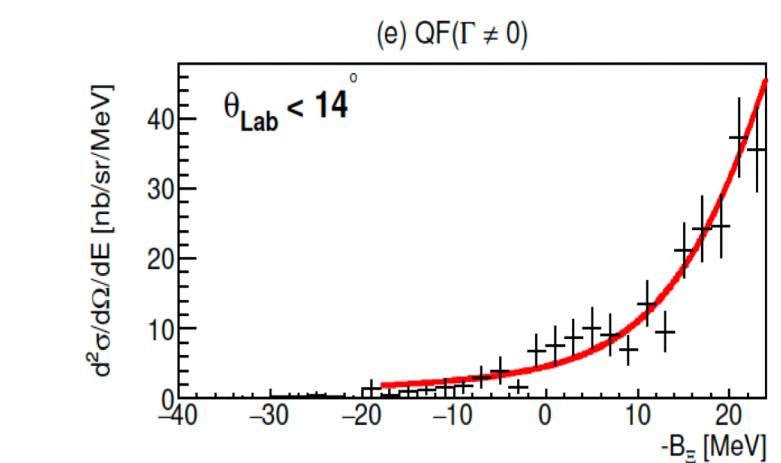
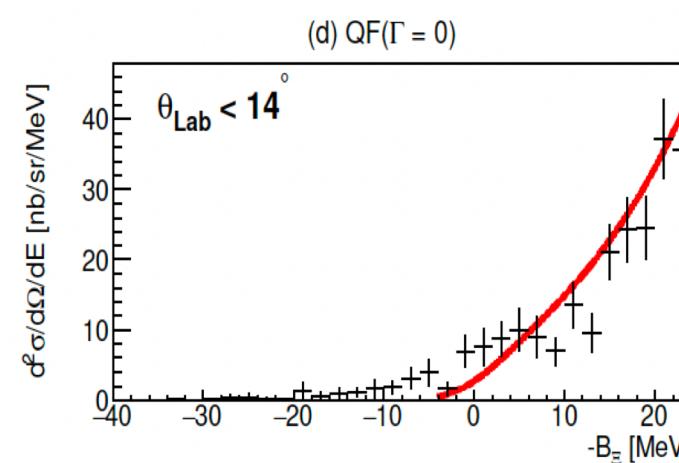
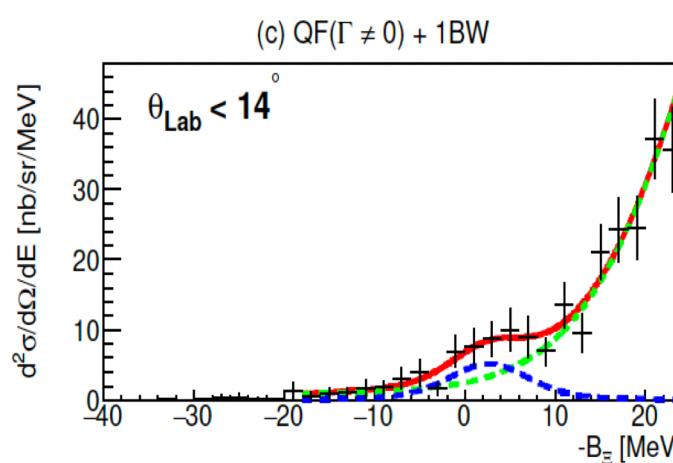


# Spectrum fitting



QF function

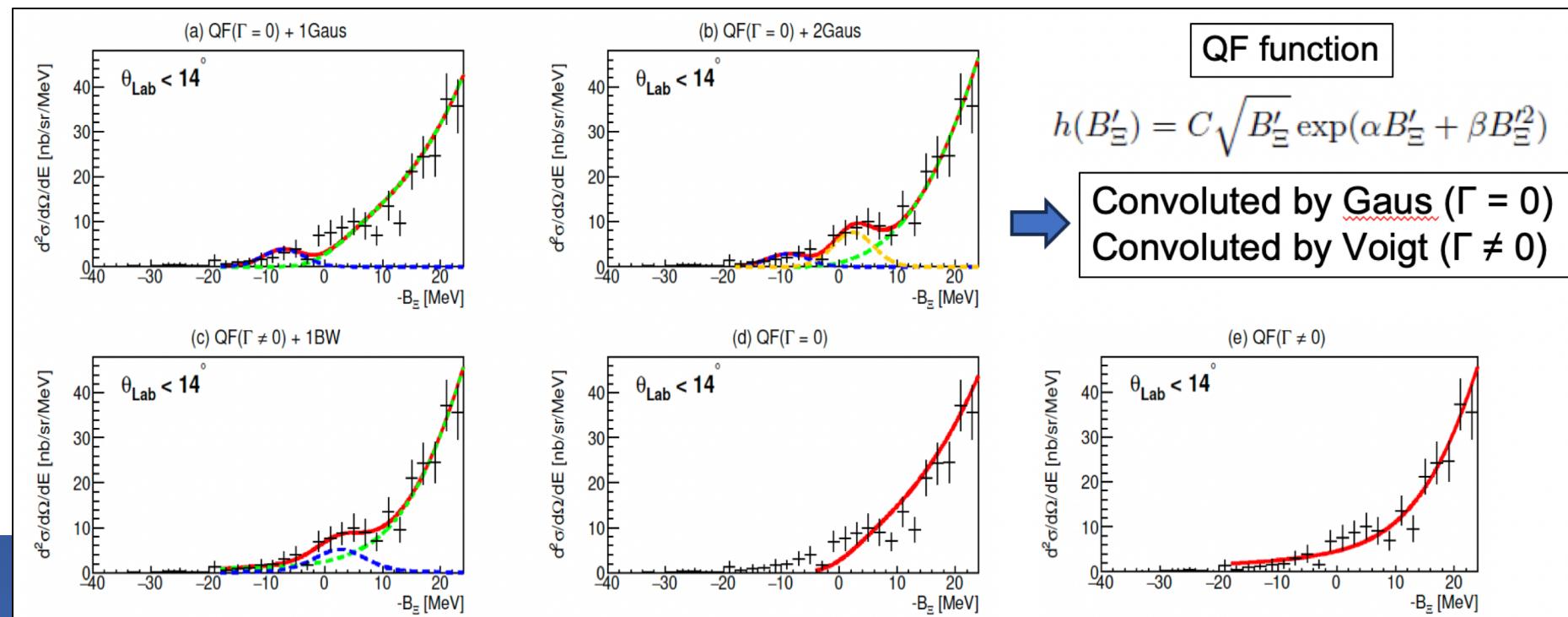
$$h(B'_\Xi) = C \sqrt{B'_\Xi} \exp(\alpha B'_\Xi + \beta B'^2_\Xi)$$



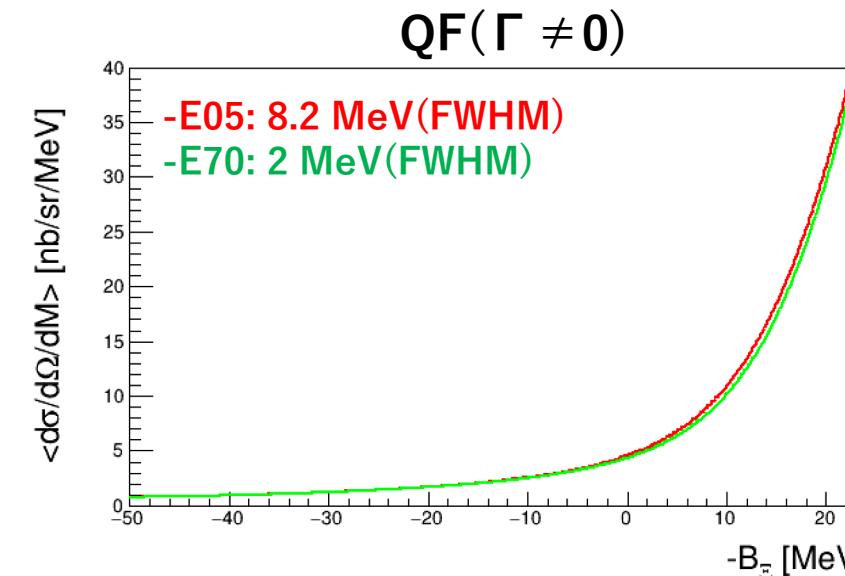
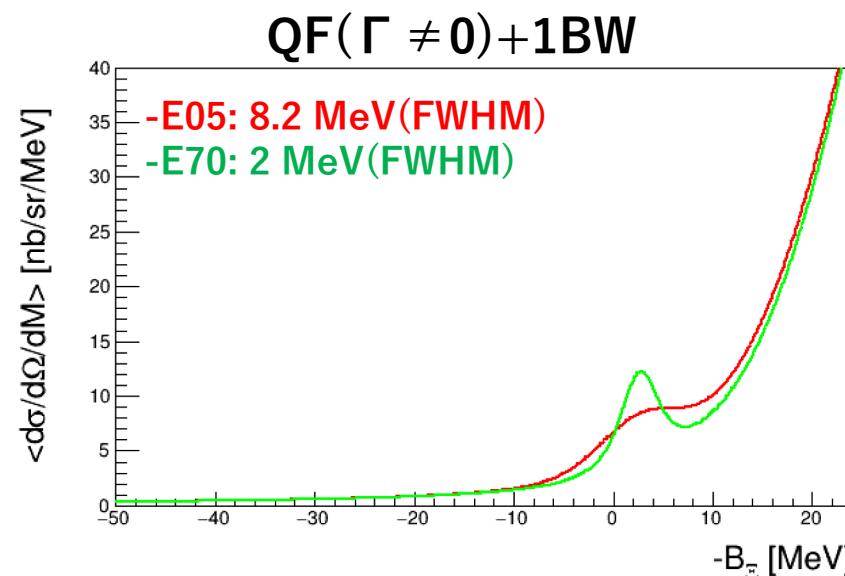
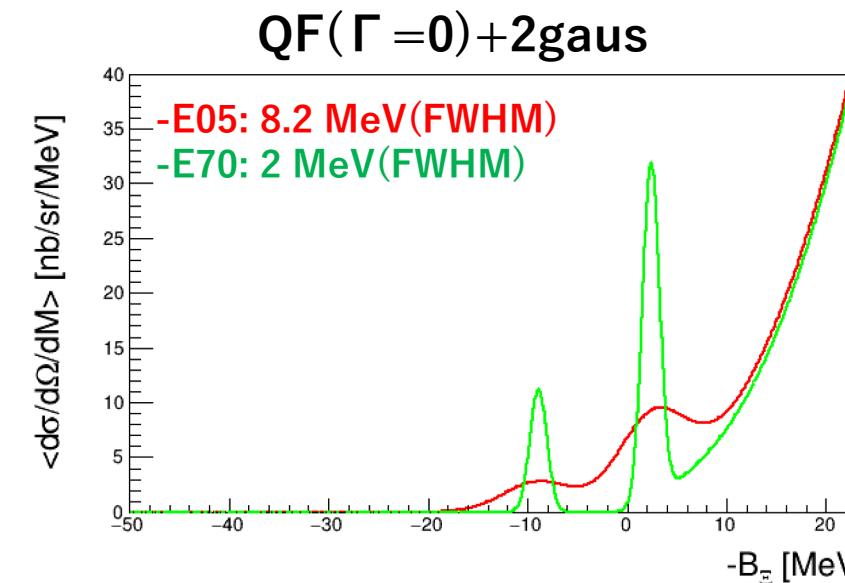
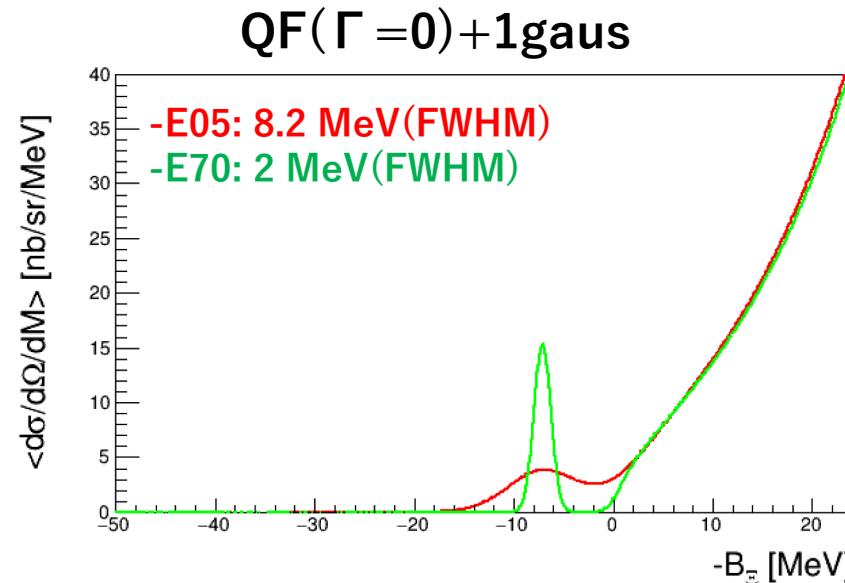
Convoluted by Gaus ( $\Gamma = 0$ )  
Convoluted by Voigt ( $\Gamma \neq 0$ )

# Result of spectrum fitting

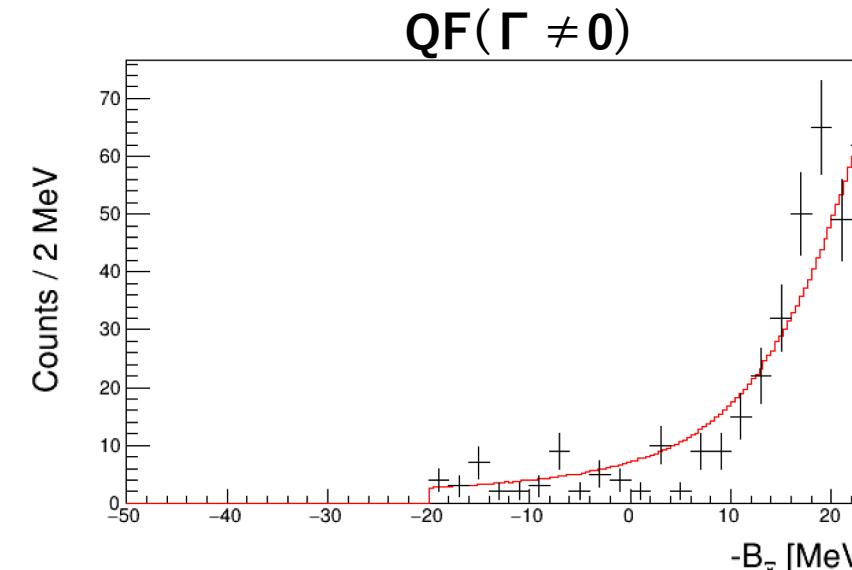
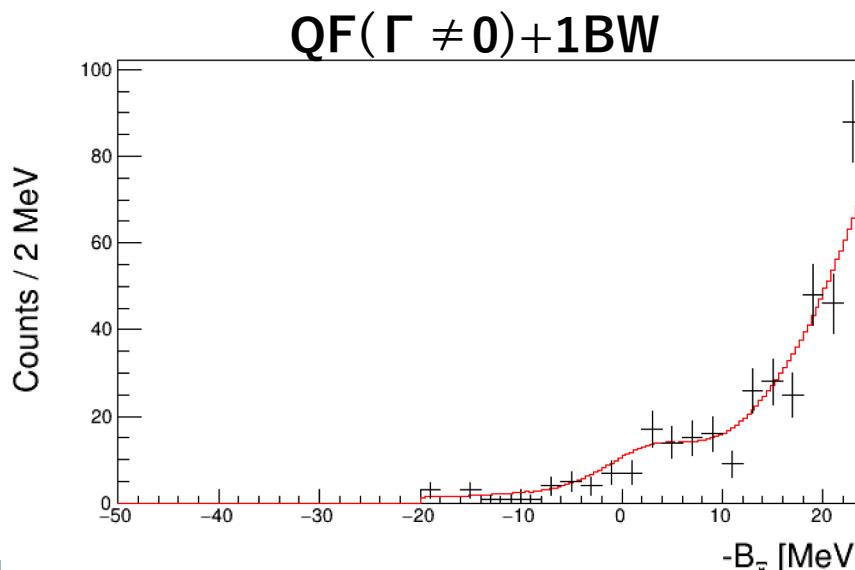
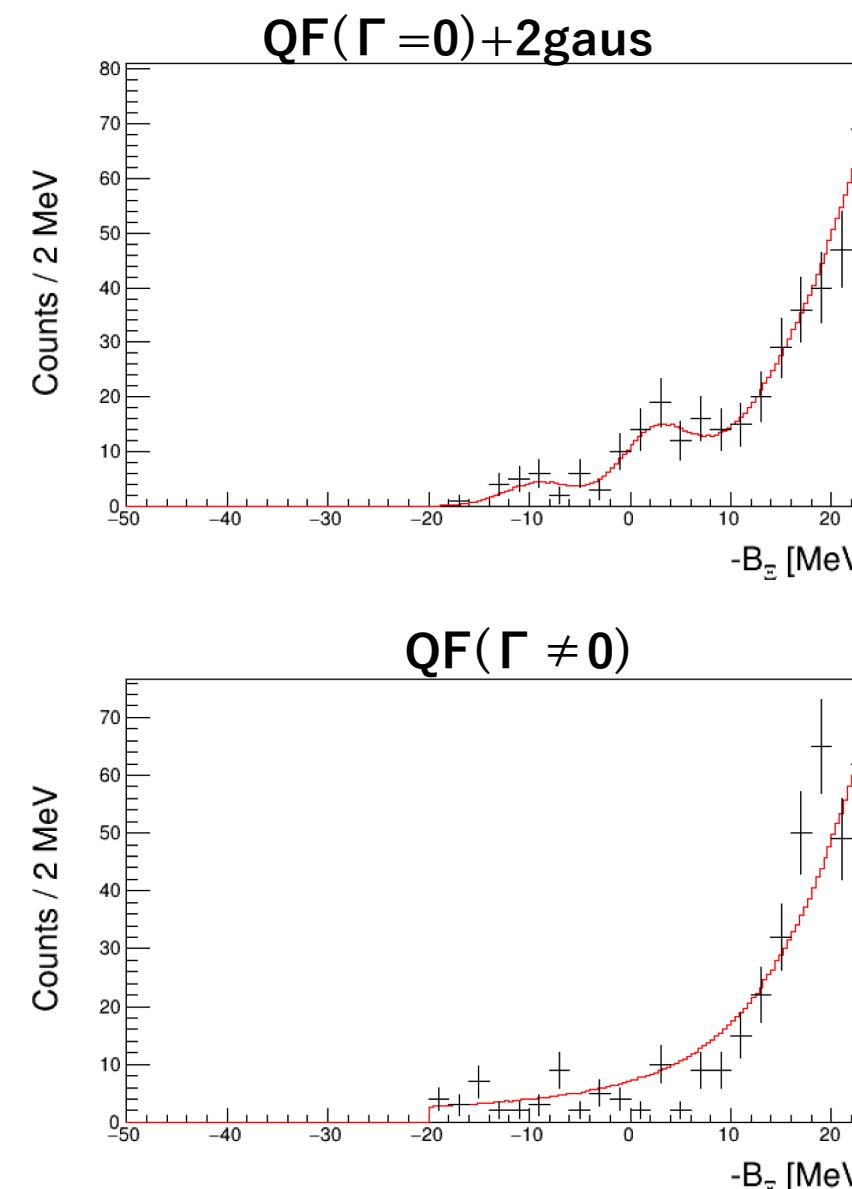
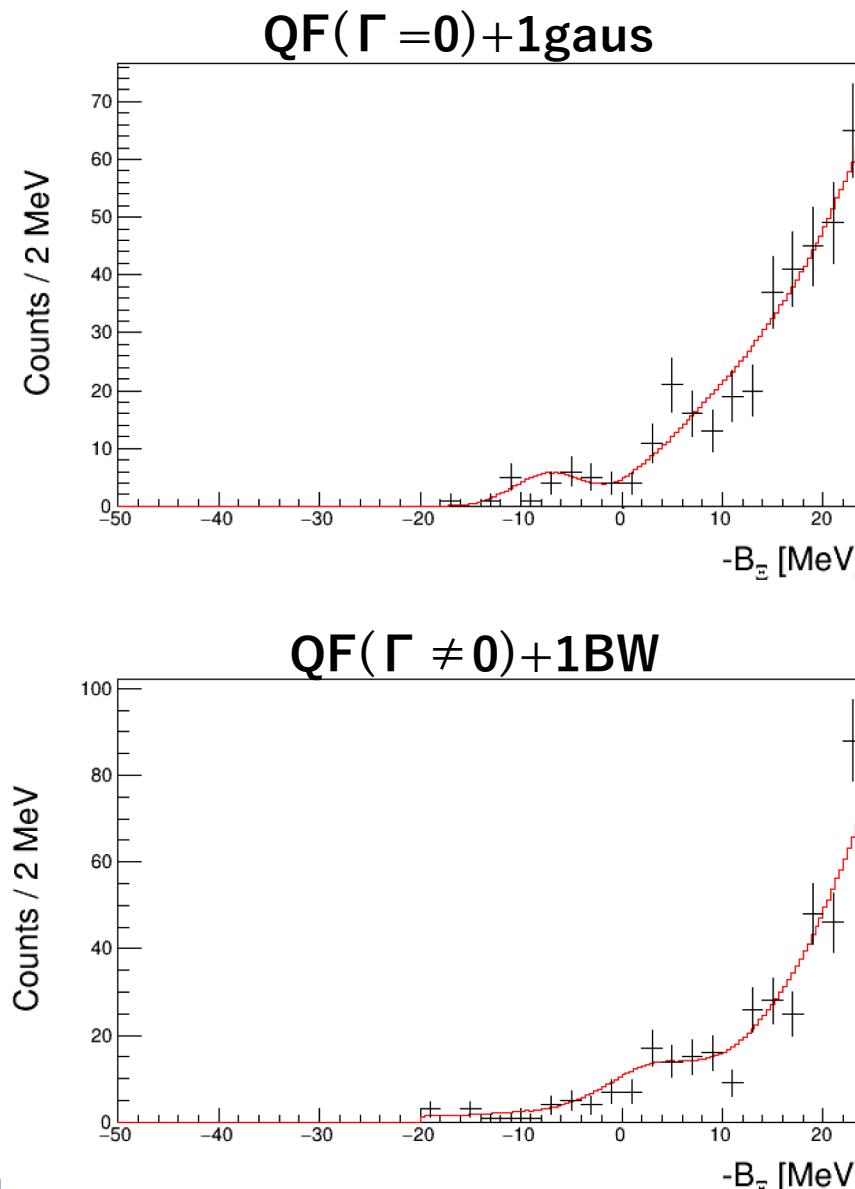
Function	$\chi^2/ndf$ ( $ndf$ )	P-value	Fitting parameters (MeV)
(a) QF( $\Gamma = 0$ ) + 1Gaus	1.83 (23)	0.00896	$B_{\Xi} = 7.1 \pm 1.5$ (stat.) $^{+2.4}_{-6.1}$ (syst.)
(b) QF( $\Gamma = 0$ ) + 2Gaus	0.849 (22)	0.665	$B_{\Xi}^{1st} = 8.9 \pm 1.4$ (stat.) $^{+3.8}_{-3.1}$ (syst.) $B_{\Xi}^{2nd} = -2.4 \pm 1.3$ (stat.) $^{+2.8}_{-1.2}$ (syst.)
(c) QF( $\Gamma \neq 0$ ) + 1BW	0.954 (23)	0.524	$B_{\Xi} = -2.7 \pm 2.2$ (stat.) $^{+0.5}_{-0.7}$ (syst.) $\Gamma = 4.1 \pm 2.1$ (stat.) $^{+1.2}_{-0.7}$ (syst.)
(d) QF( $\Gamma = 0$ )	2.49 (19)	0.000332	
(e) QF( $\Gamma \neq 0$ )	1.39 (25)	0.0914	$\Gamma = 8.7 \pm 1.1$ (stat.)



# Comparison between E05(8.2 MeV) and E70(2 MeV)



# Simulated spectra with E05(8.2 MeV) condition

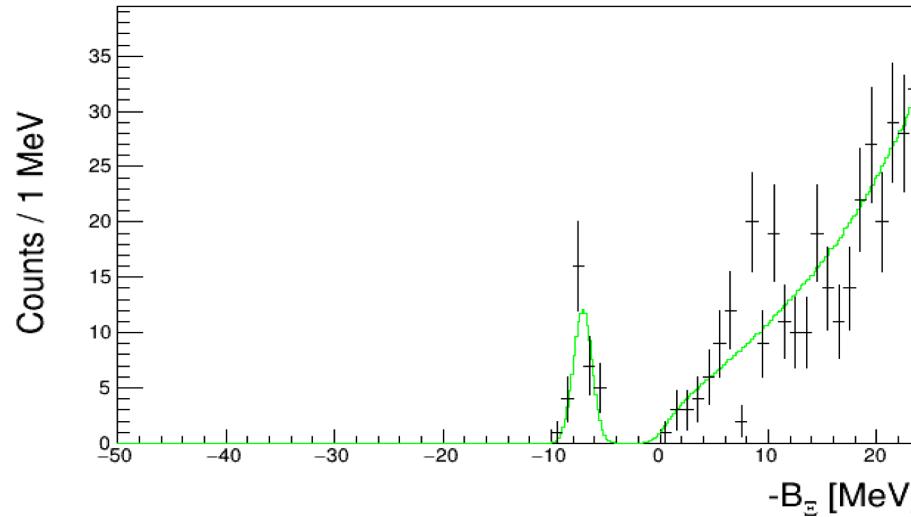


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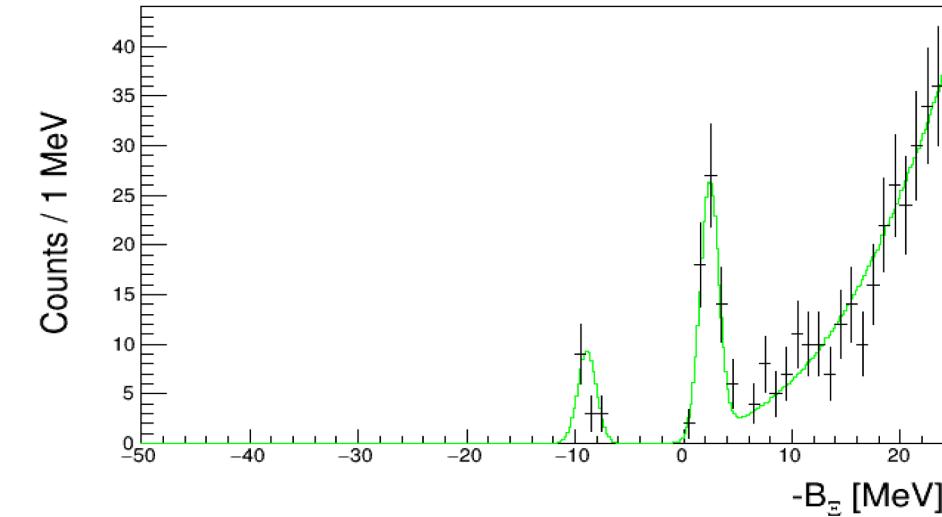
*Same statistic is assumed*

**Peak structure should be prominent!!**

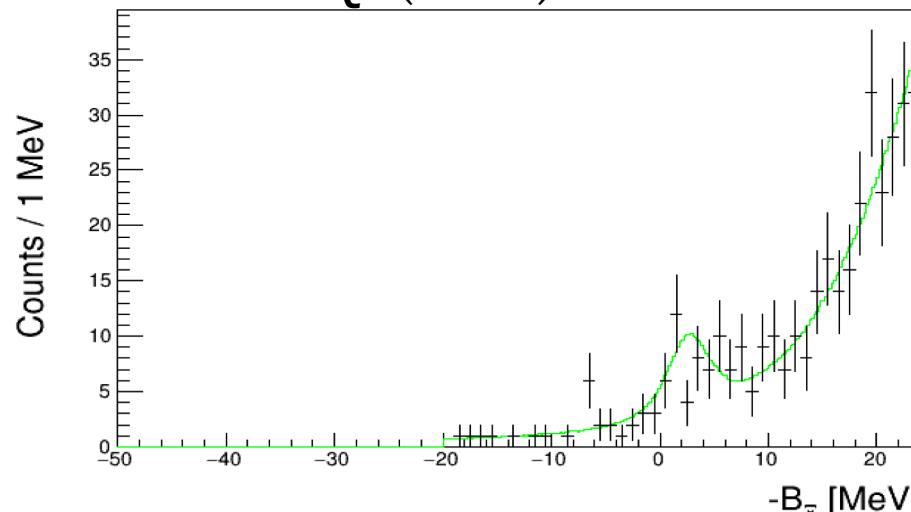
QF( $\Gamma = 0$ ) + 1gaus



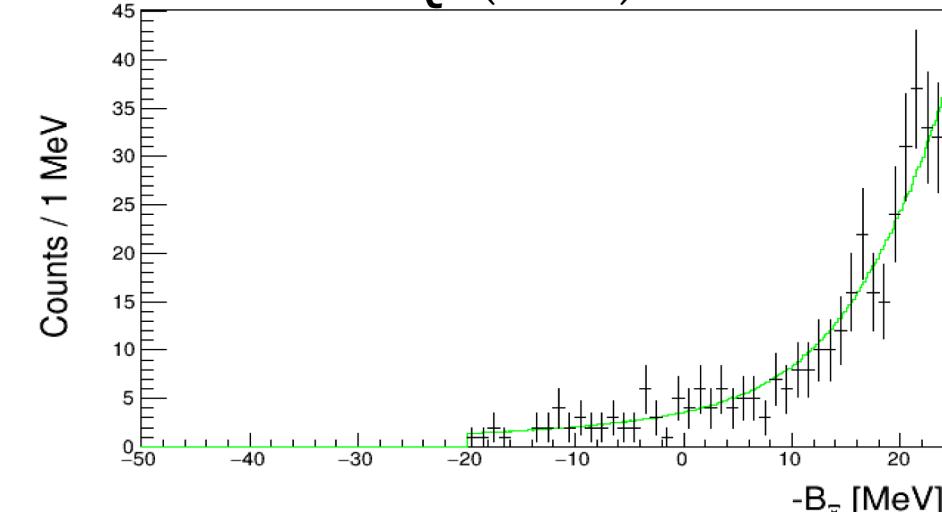
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QF( $\Gamma \neq 0$ ) + 1BW



QF( $\Gamma \neq 0$ )



# J-PARC E42 experiment

# E42

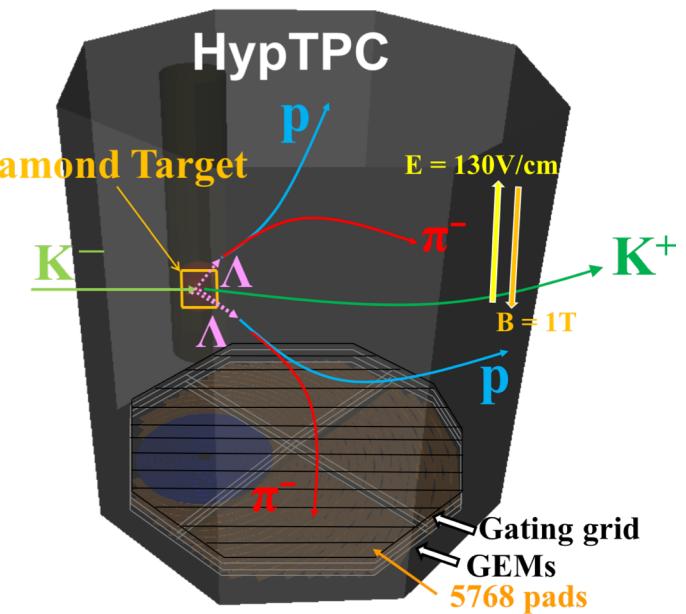
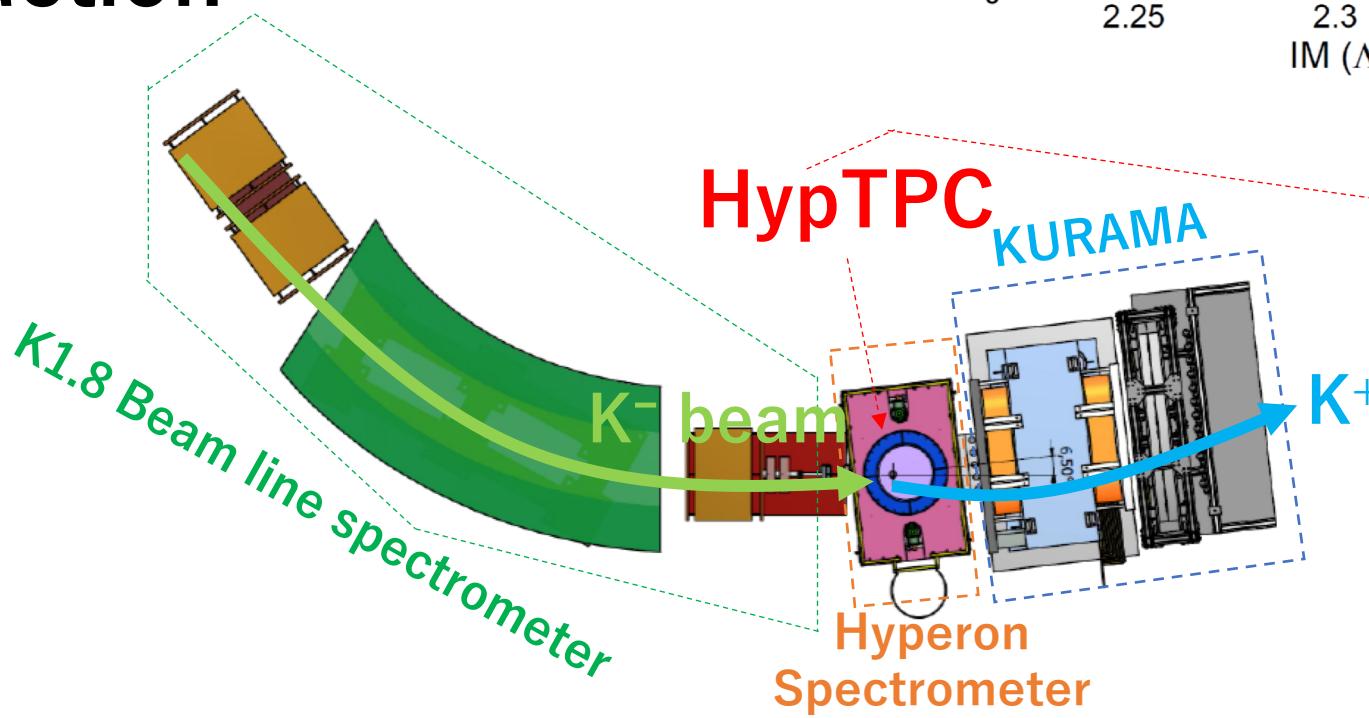
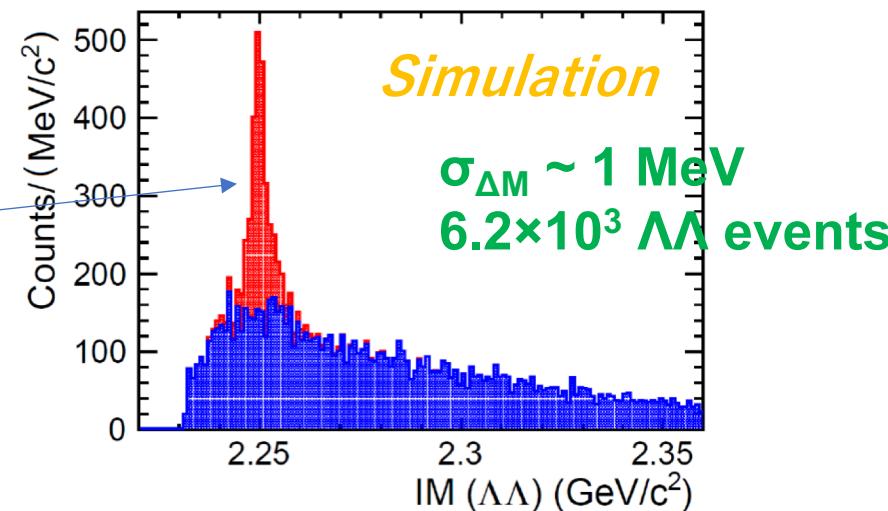
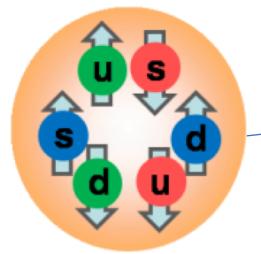
# J-PARC E42 (H-dibaryon search)

$K^- + "pp" \rightarrow H K^+$ ,  $H \rightarrow \Lambda\Lambda, \Lambda p\pi^-, \Xi^- p$  (Invariant-mass spectroscopy)

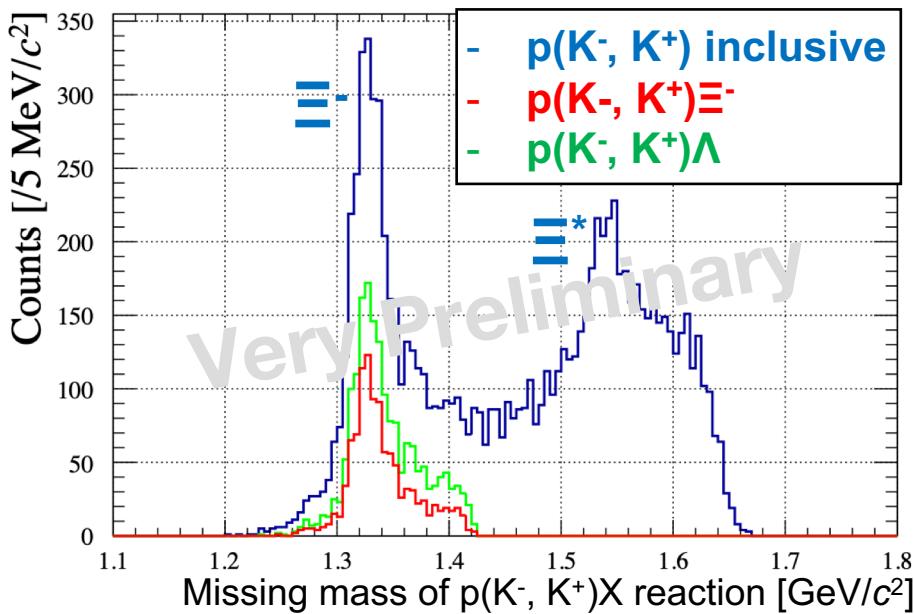
Completed  
June 29, 2021

$^{12}C(K^-, K^+)$   
reaction

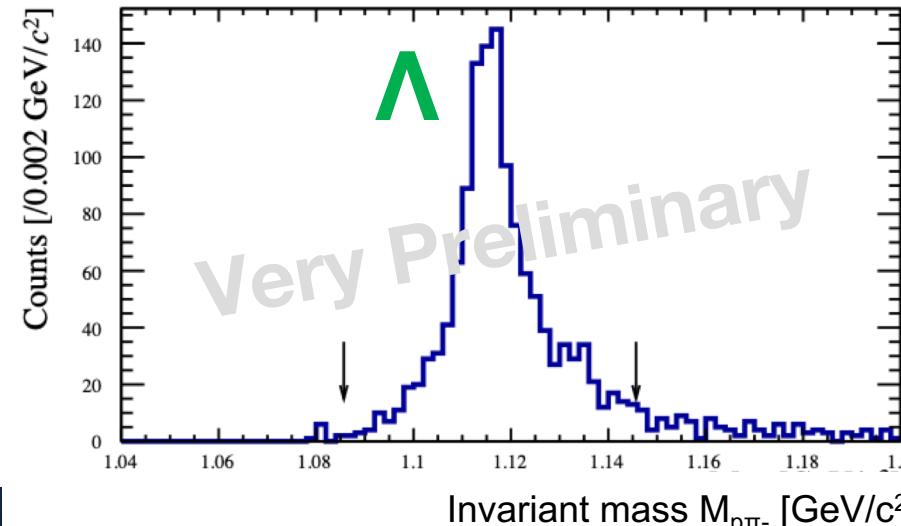
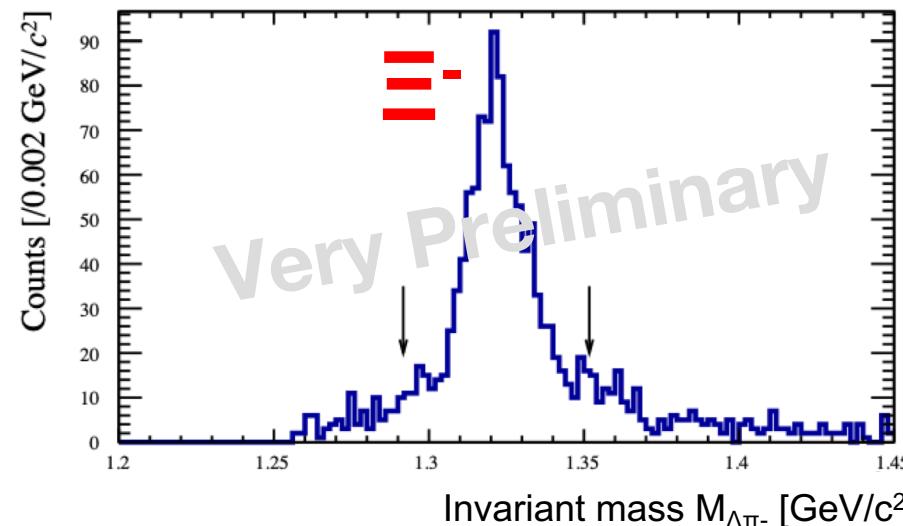
H-dibaryon



# $p(K^-, K^+) \text{ missing-mass analysis with CH}_2 \text{ target}$

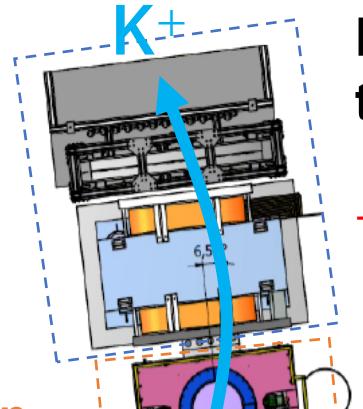


	Inclusive	Coin with $\Xi^-$	Coin with $\Lambda$
<b>Yield (C(QF) + H)</b>	<b>4022 events</b>	<b>1076 events</b>	<b>1770 events</b>
<b>Yield (H)</b>	<b>1591 events</b>	<b>556 events</b>	<b>742 events</b>
<b>Coincidence Prob. (H)</b>		<b>0.34 (Coin<math>\Xi^-</math> / Inclusive)</b>	<b>0.47 (Coin<math>\Lambda</math> / Inclusive)</b>
<b>Br <math>\times</math> Acceptance (<math>\Xi \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-</math>, <math>\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-</math>)</b>		<b><math>0.64 \times 0.87 = 0.56</math></b>	<b><math>0.64 \times 0.92 = 0.59</math></b>



# E42 byproduct: $\Xi$ -A potential determination

KURAMA



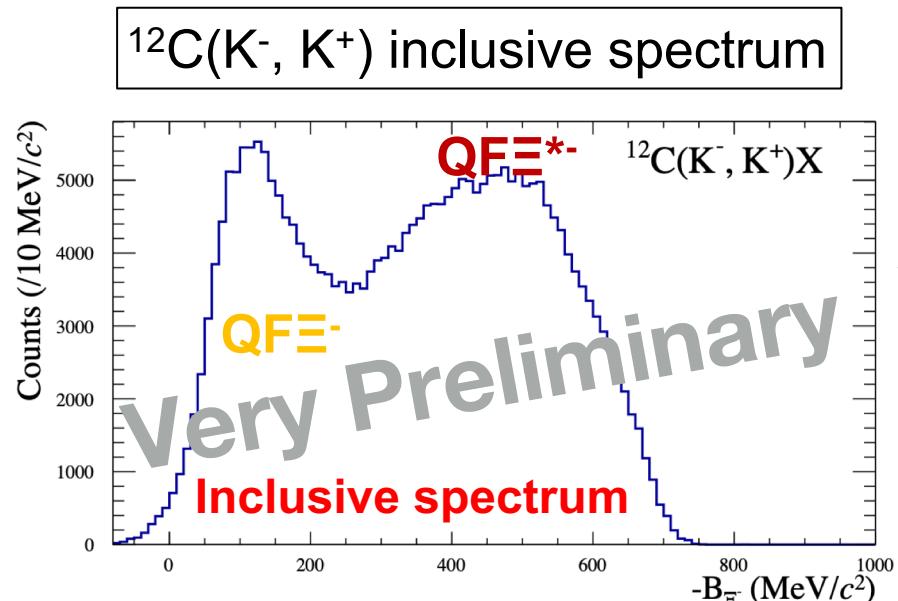
Hyperon  
Spectrometer

K1.8 Beam line  
spectrometer

$K^-$  beam

E42 can decompose  $^{12}\text{C}(K^-, K^+)$  inclusive spectrum to  $\Xi^-$  escape/ $\Xi^- p \rightarrow \Lambda\Lambda$  conversion spectra

→ Sensitive to  $W_0^\Xi(\text{Im}) !!$

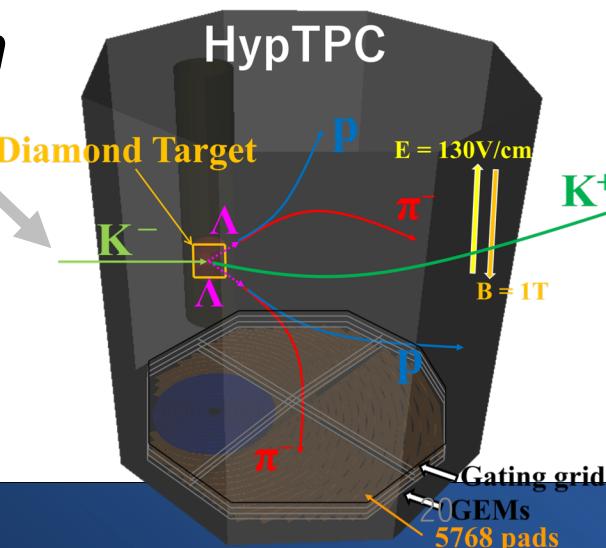
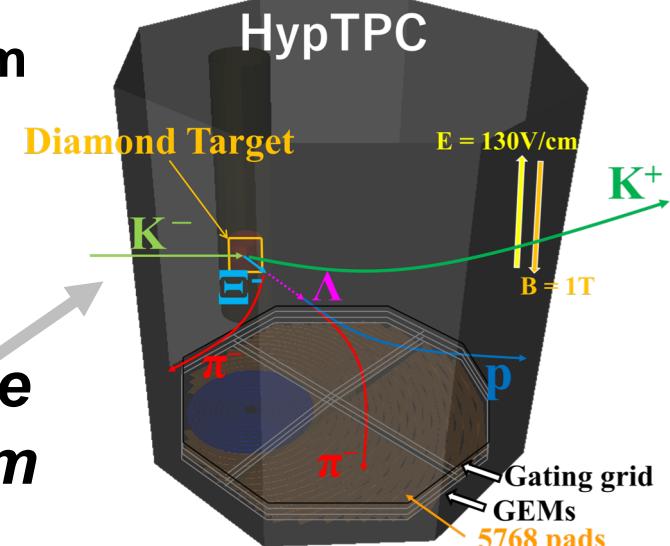


$QF\Xi^-$ :  $K^- "p" \rightarrow \Xi^- K^+$

$QF\Xi^*$ :  $K^- "p" \rightarrow \Xi^*(1535) K^+$   
 $K^- "p" \rightarrow \Xi^- \pi^+ K^+$

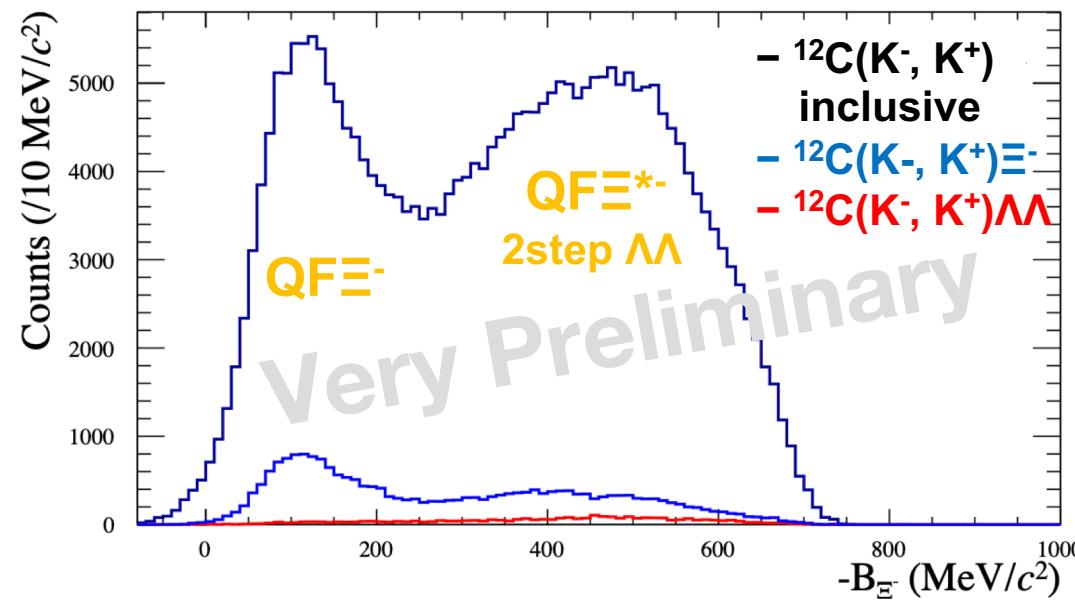
$\Xi^-$  escape  
spectrum

$\Xi^- p \rightarrow \Lambda\Lambda$   
conversion  
spectrum



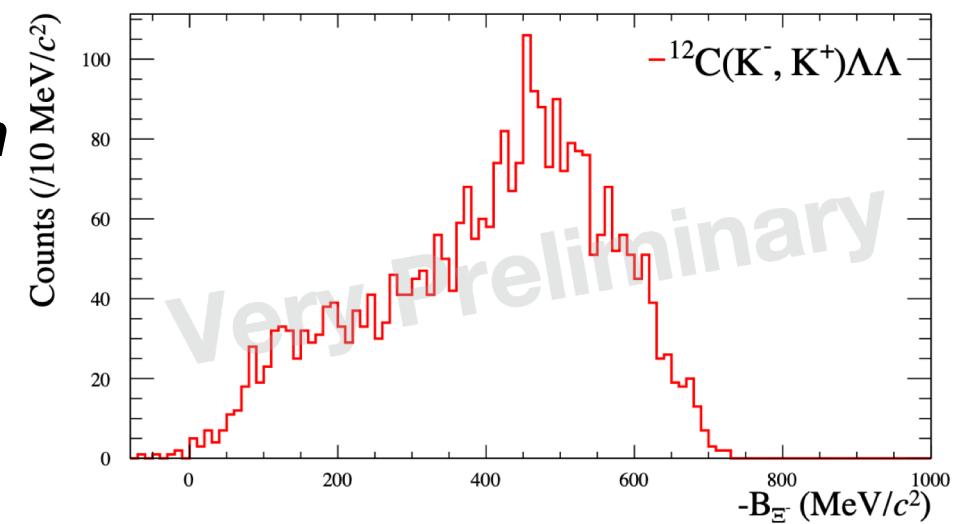
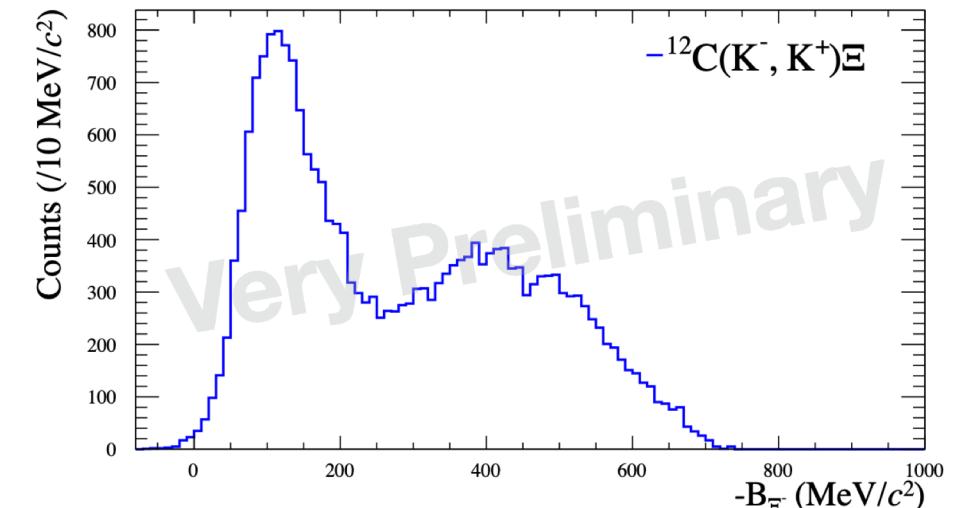
# Exclusive Binding-energy Spectra for $\Xi$ -A Potential Study

Yield ratio ( $\Xi^-$  escape /  $\Xi^- p \rightarrow \Lambda\Lambda$  conversion)  
→ Sensitive to  $W_0^\Xi$  (Im)



$\Xi^-$  escape spectrum

$\Xi^- p \rightarrow \Lambda\Lambda$  conversion spectrum

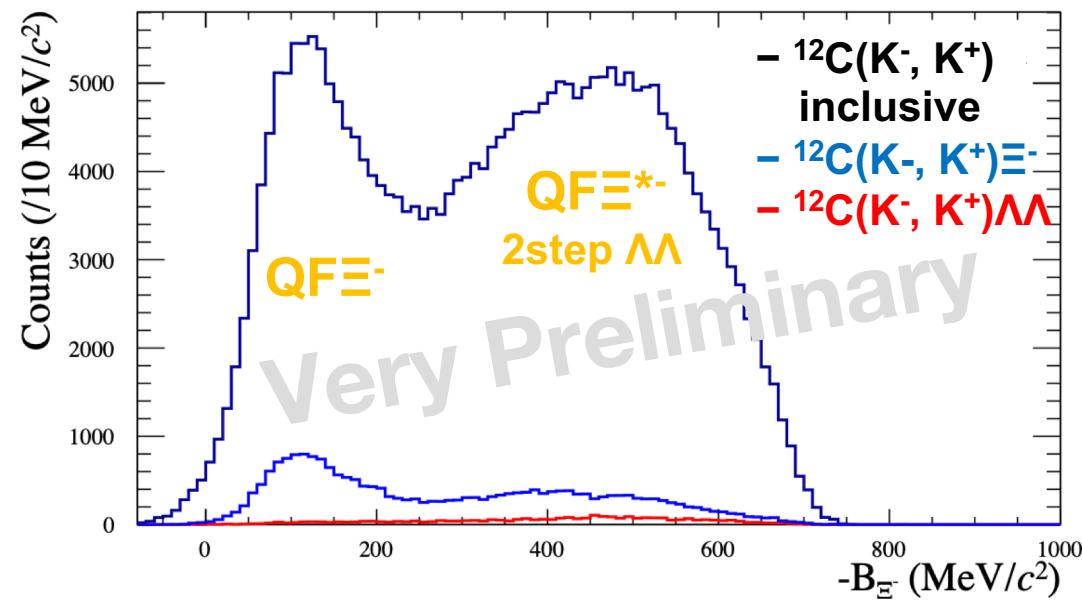


# Exclusive Binding-energy Spectra for $\Xi$ -A Potential Study

Coincidence probability =  $N(\text{coin.})/N(\text{Inclusive})$

Yield ratio ( $\Xi^-$  escape /  $\Xi^- p \rightarrow \Lambda\Lambda$  conversion)

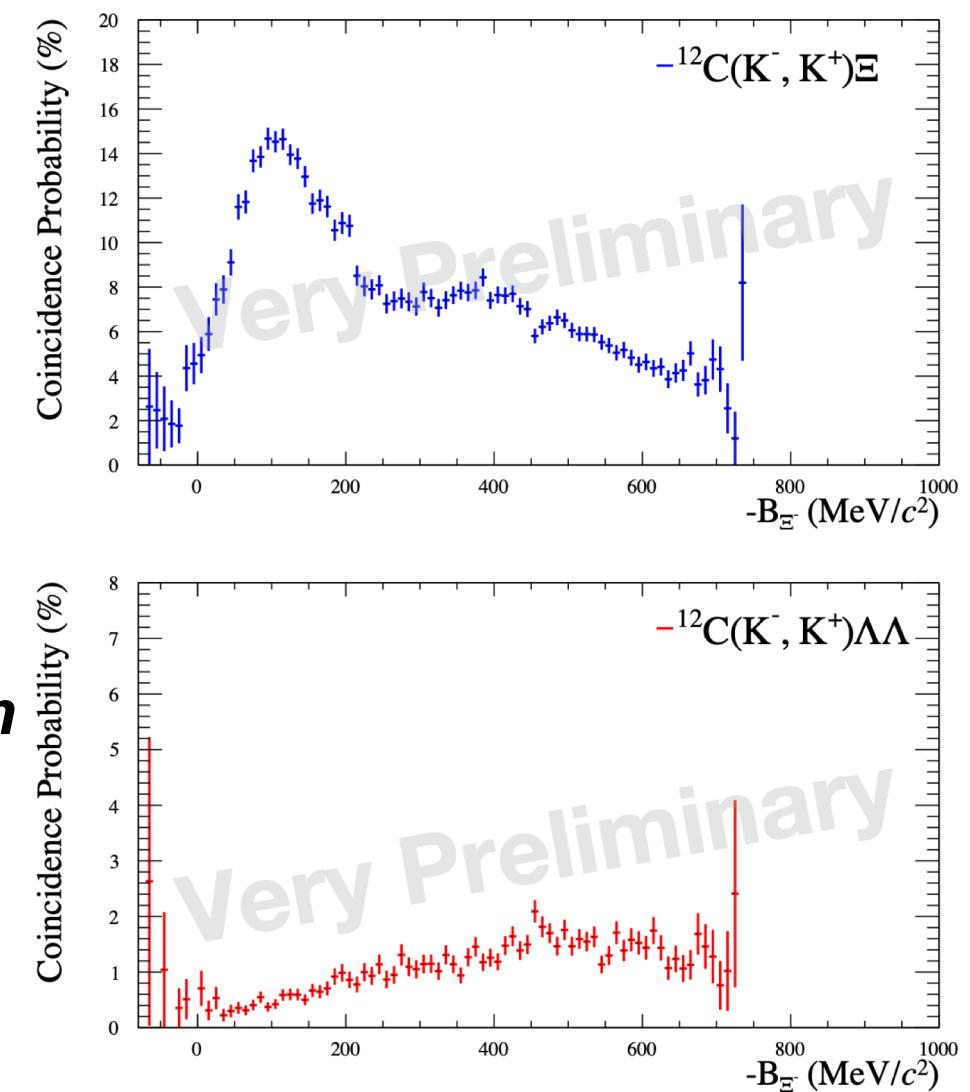
→ Sensitive to  $W_0^\Xi$  (Im)



Acceptance correction of HypTPC  
is necessary and on going.

$\Xi^-$  escape spectrum

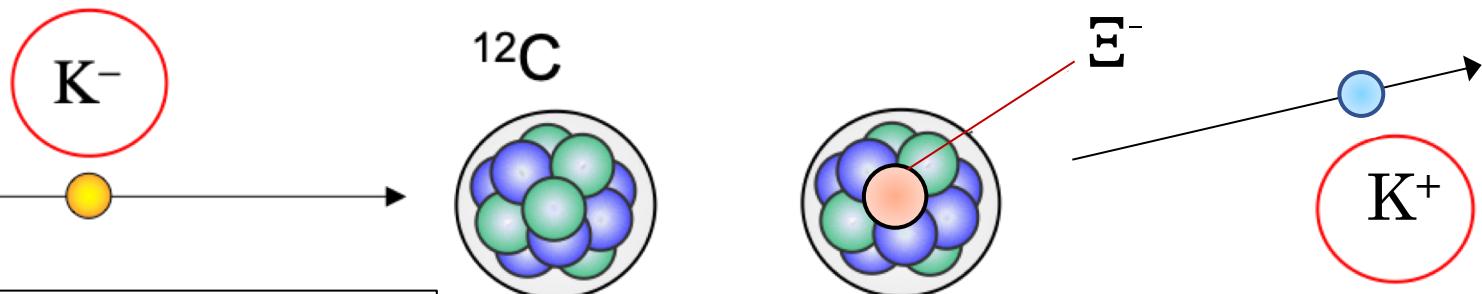
$\Xi^- p \rightarrow \Lambda\Lambda$   
conversion spectrum



# $^{12}\text{C}(\text{K}^-, \text{p})$ spectrum with J-PARC E05

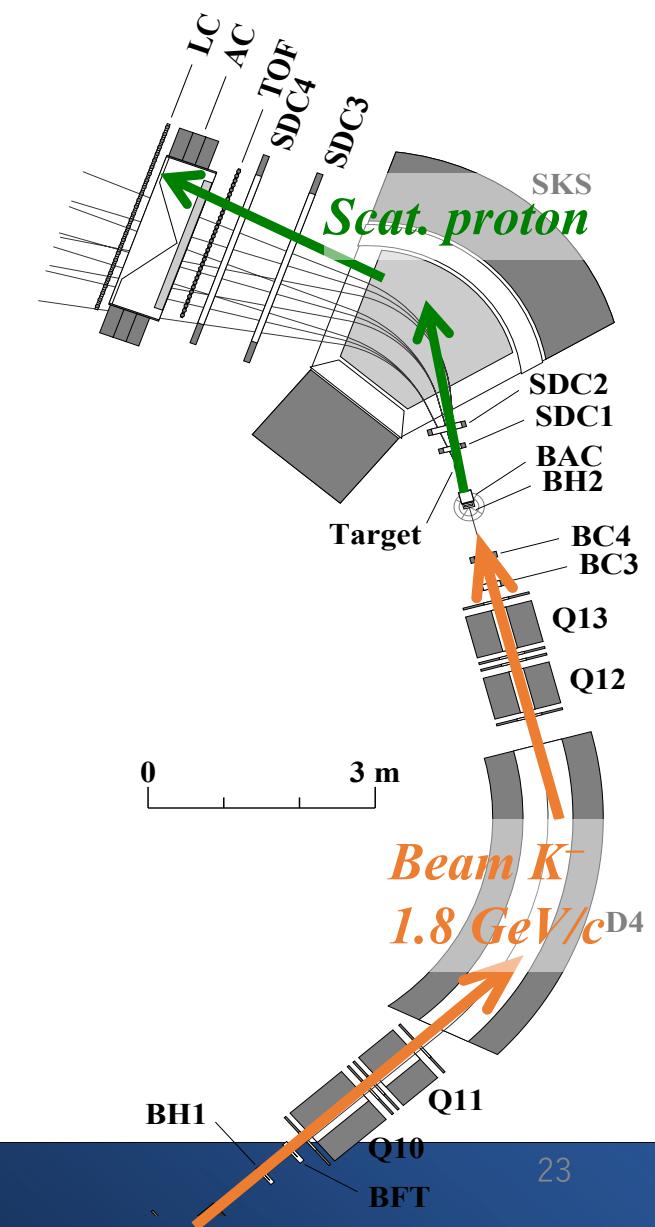
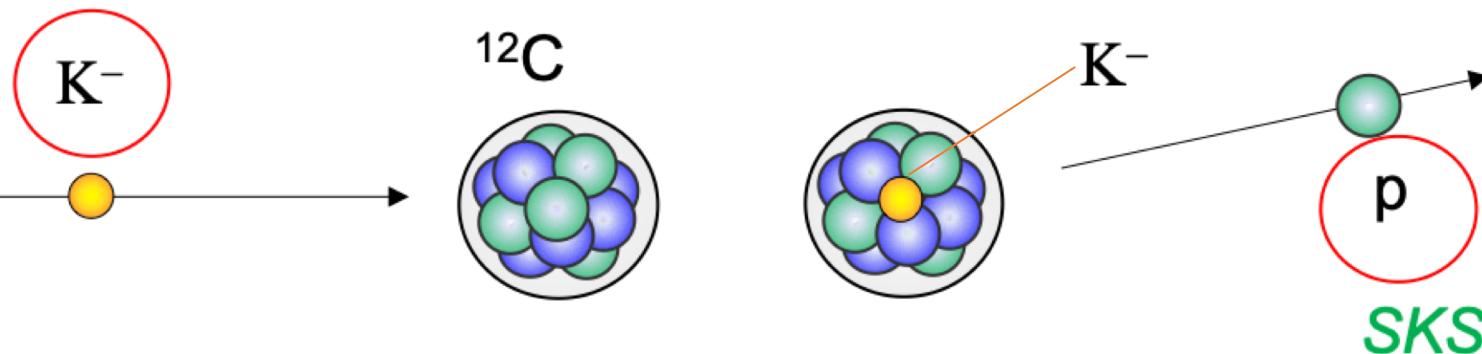
Main:  $\Xi$  hypernucleus search

*K1.8 Beamline*



Byproduct:  $\bar{K}$ -A interaction

*K1.8 Beamline*



# $(V_0, W_0)$ determination from $^{12}\text{C}(\text{K}^-, \text{p})$ spectrum

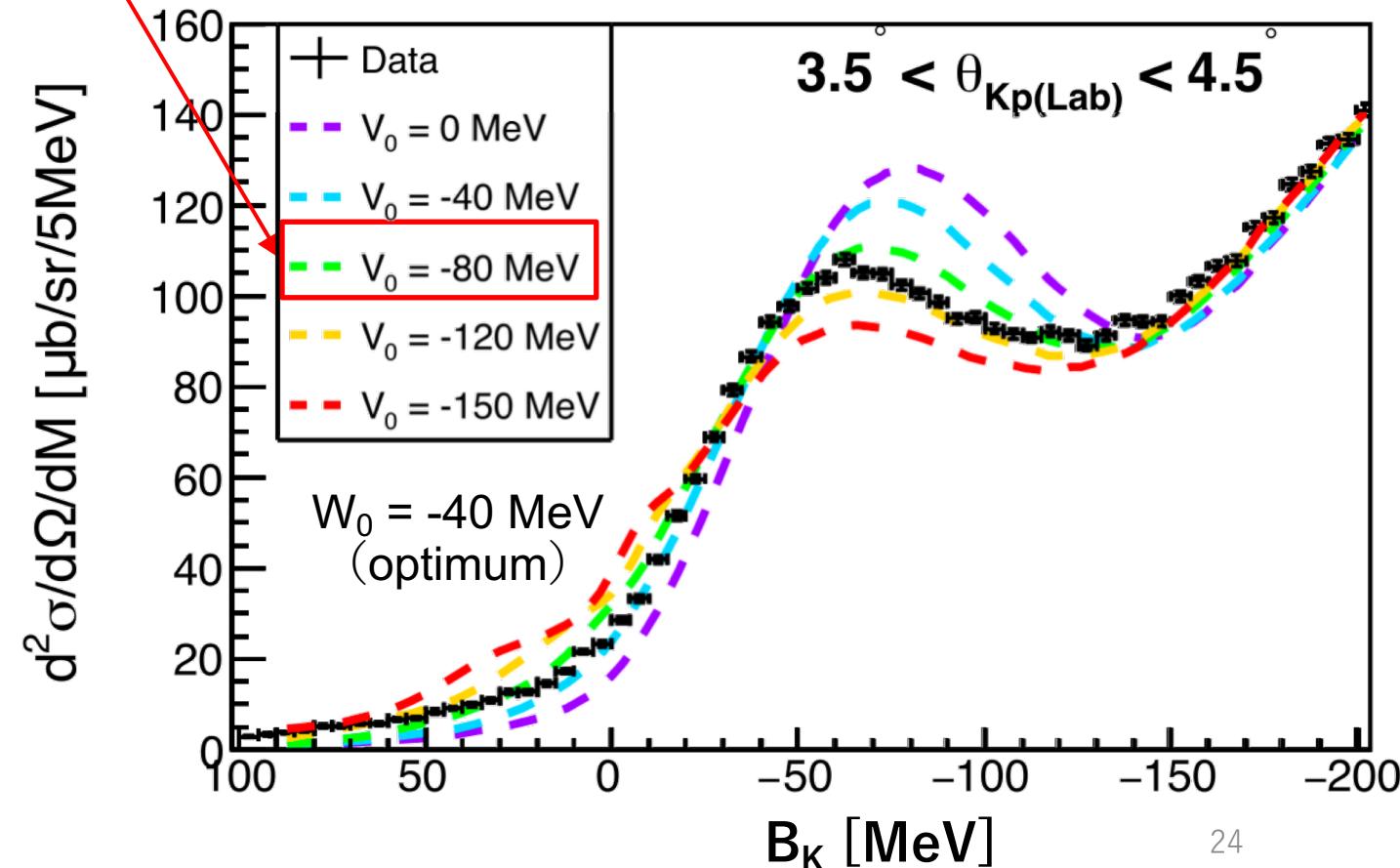
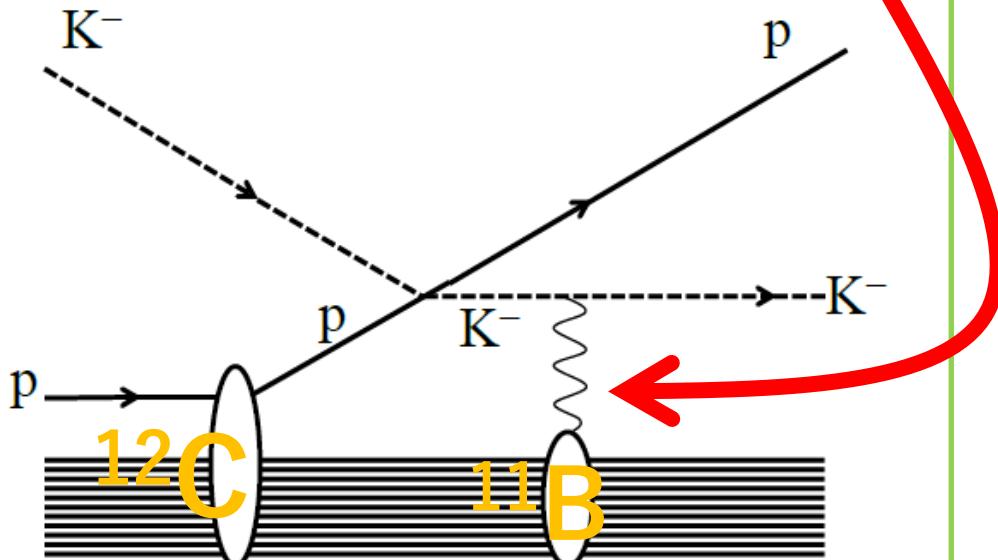
Y. Ichikawa et al., PTEP 2020, 123D01(2020)

$$(V_0, W_0) = (-80, -40) \text{ MeV!}$$

$\text{K}^- \text{-} {}^{11}\text{B}$  interaction potential

$$U(r, E) = (V_0 + iW_0 f_{\text{phase}}(E)) \frac{\rho(r)}{\rho(0)},$$

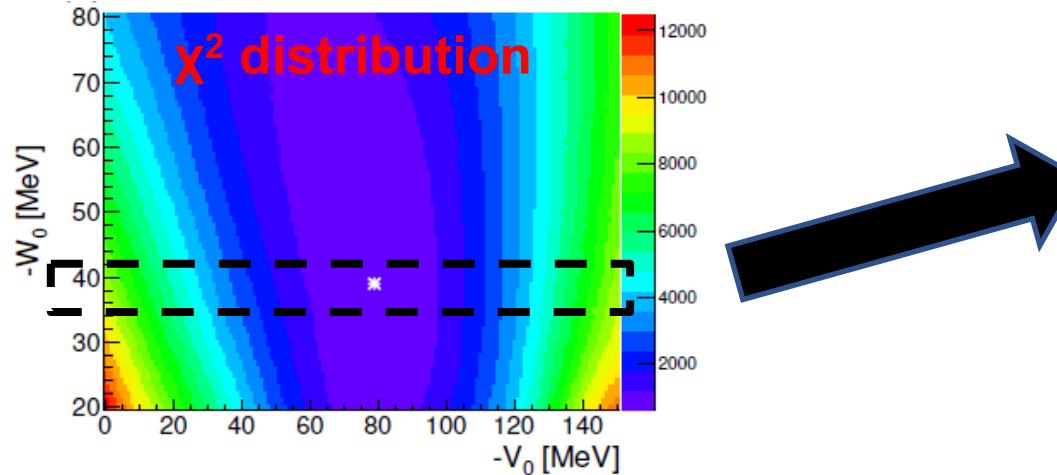
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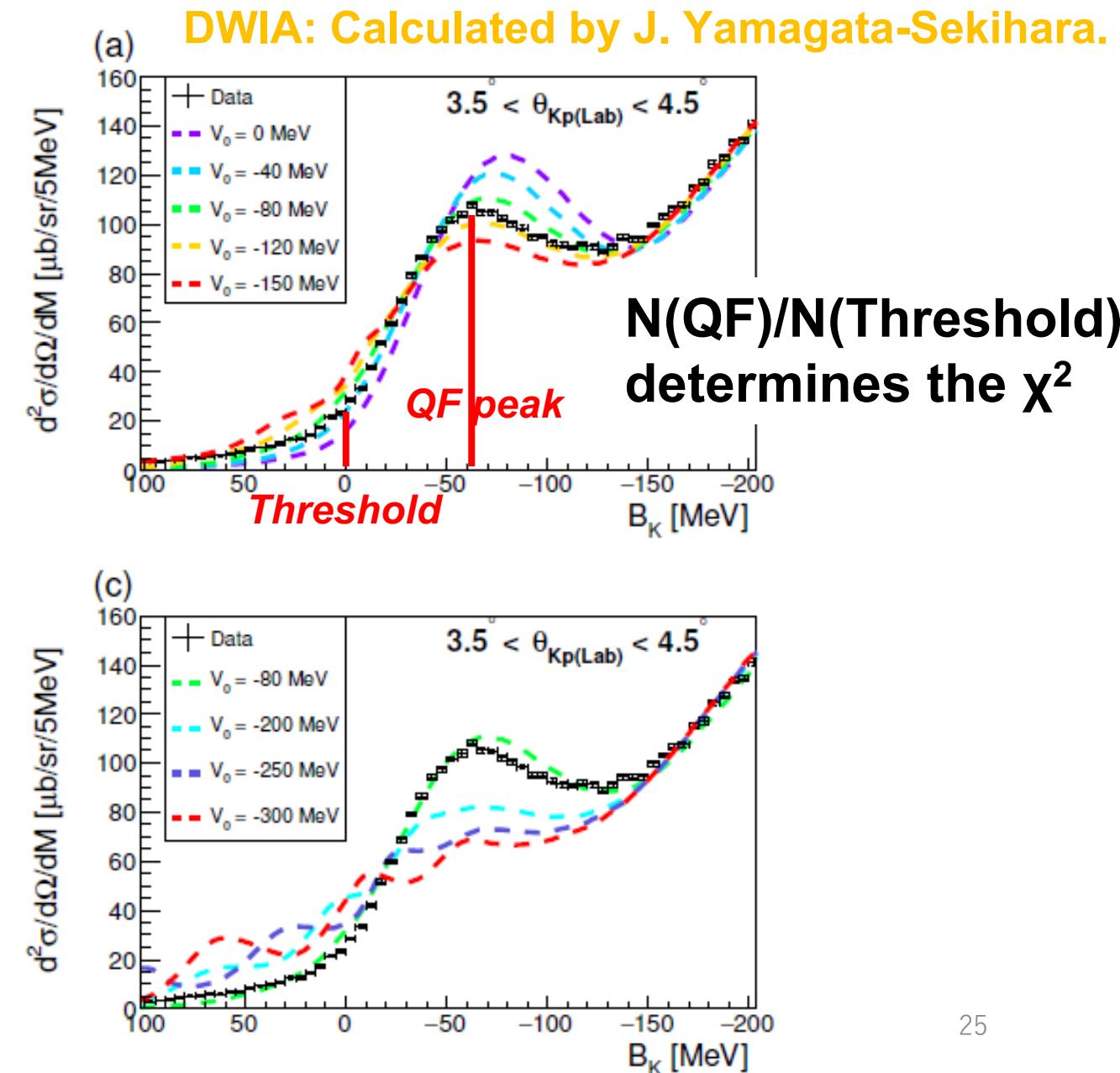
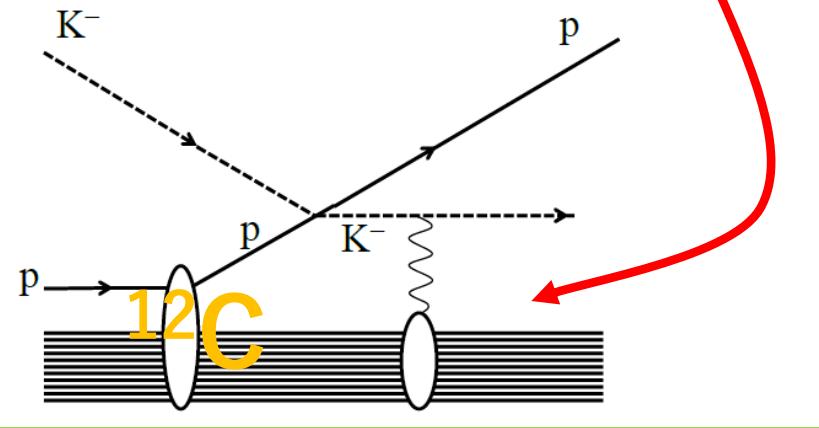
# $^{12}\text{C}(\text{K}^-, \text{p})$ spectrum by varying $(V_0, W_0)$

Optimum:  $(V_0, W_0) = (-80, -40)$  MeV!

Corresponding to shallow potential



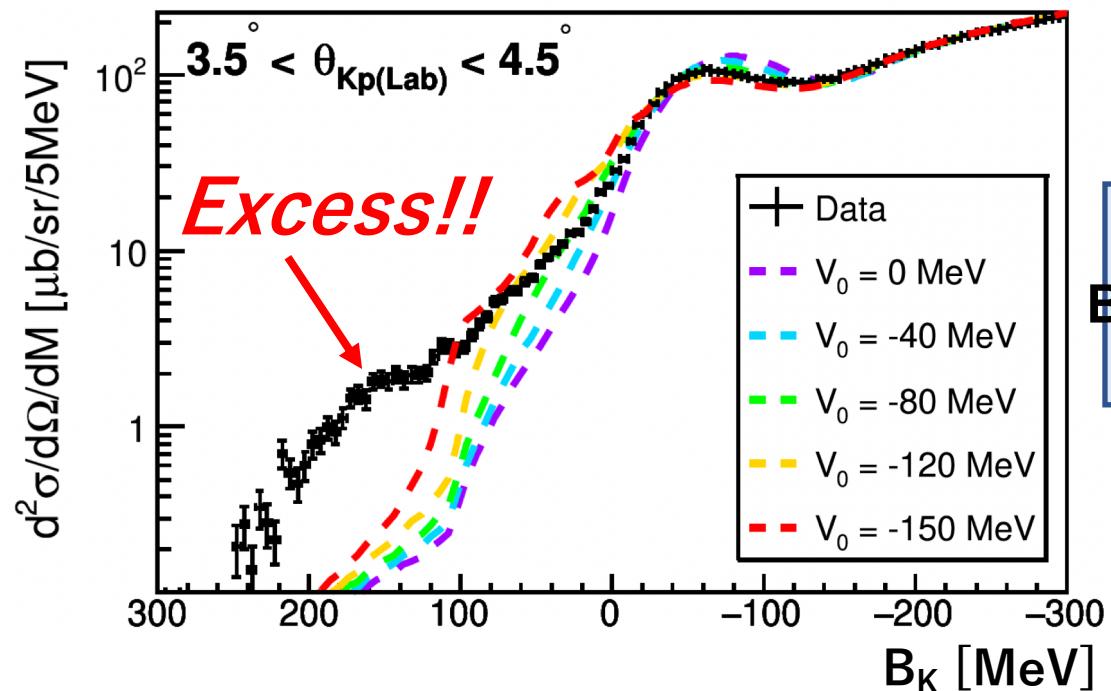
$$U(r, E) = (V_0 + iW_0 f_{\text{phase}}(E)) \frac{\rho(r)}{\rho(0)},$$



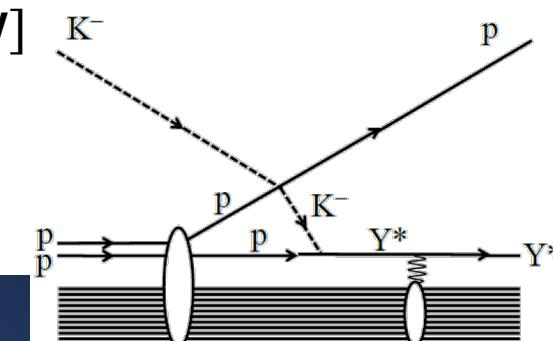
# Suggestion of $Y^*$ -nucleus state

Y. Ichikawa et al., PTEP 2020, 123D01(2020)

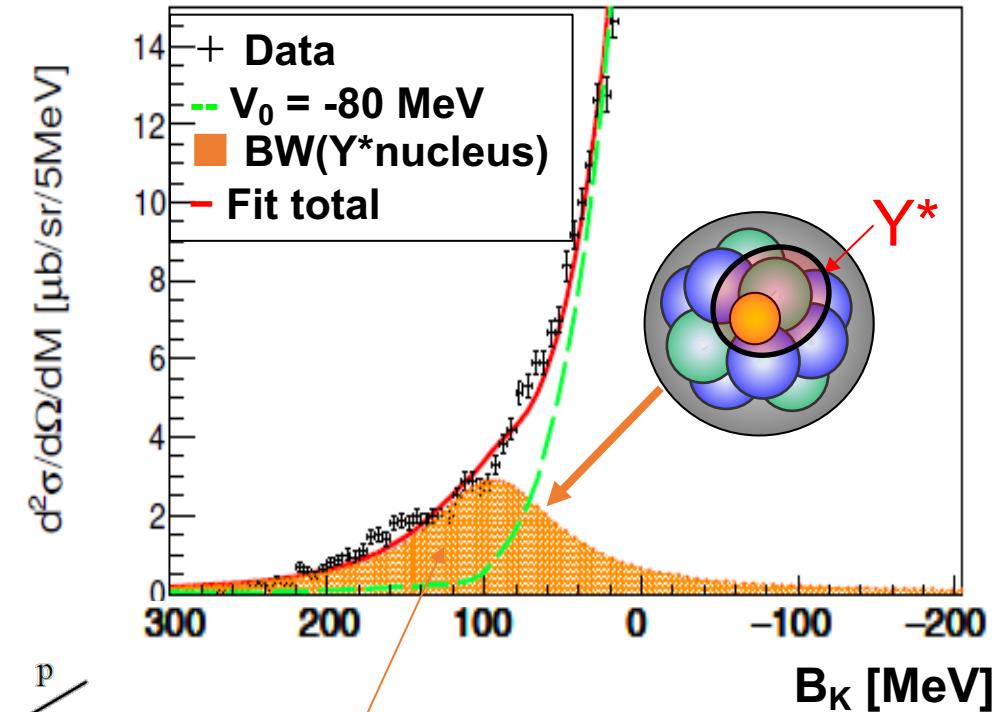
## Semi-Log plot



Unintroduced  
reaction diagram



Add the  
BW contribution  
( $Y^*$ -nucleus)



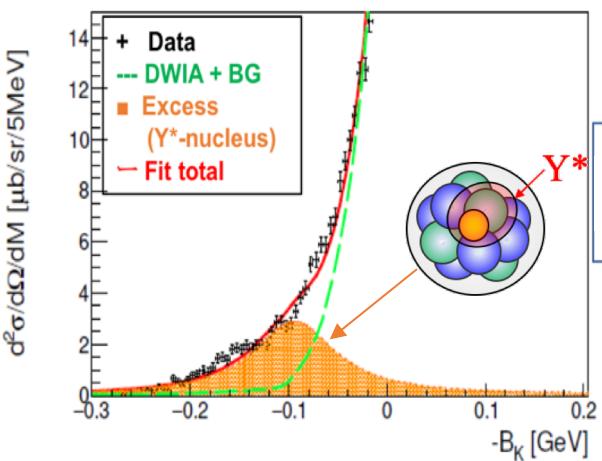
# E42 Kp Coincidence measurement

E05 Kp: Inclusive  $^{12}\text{C}(\text{K}^-, \text{p})$  measurement

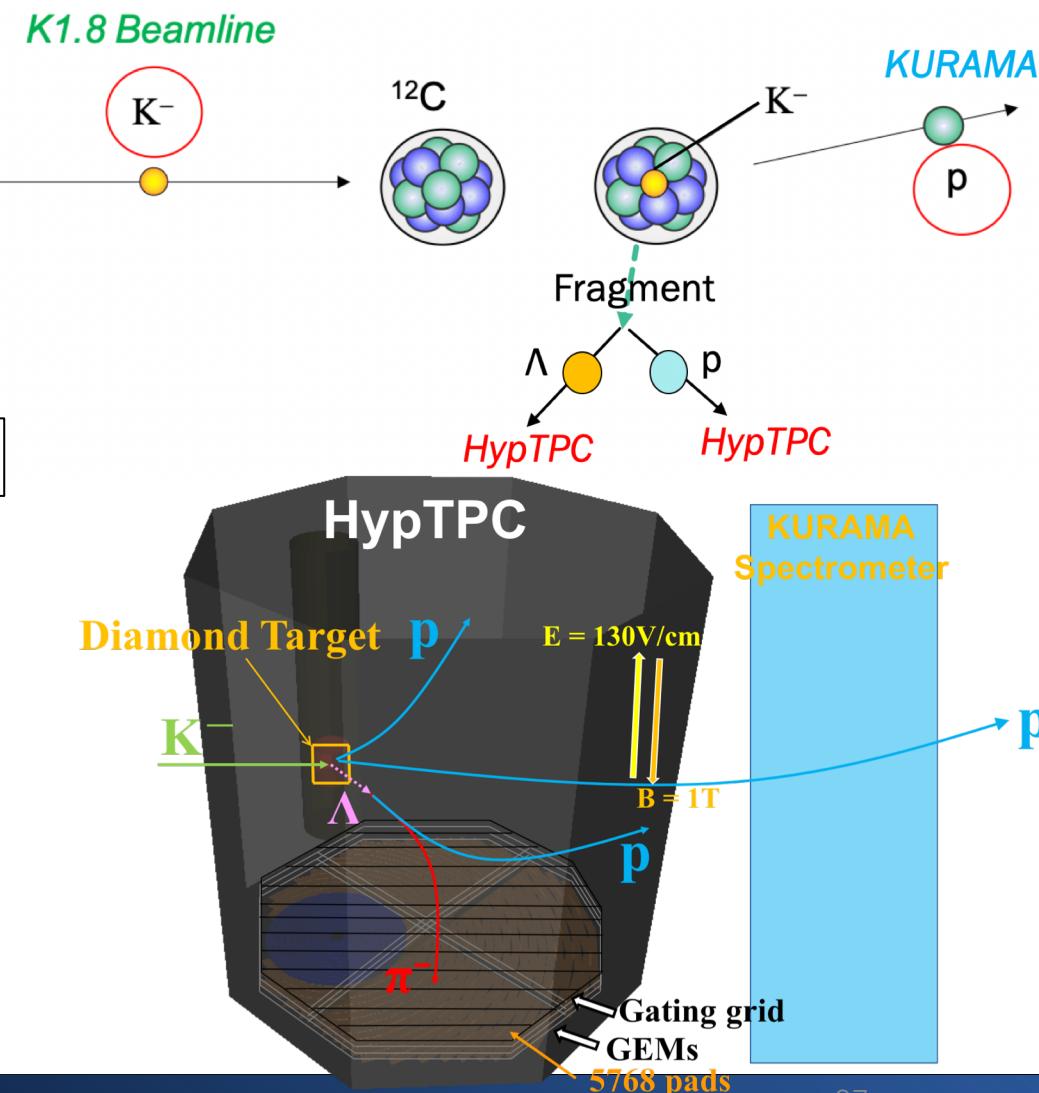
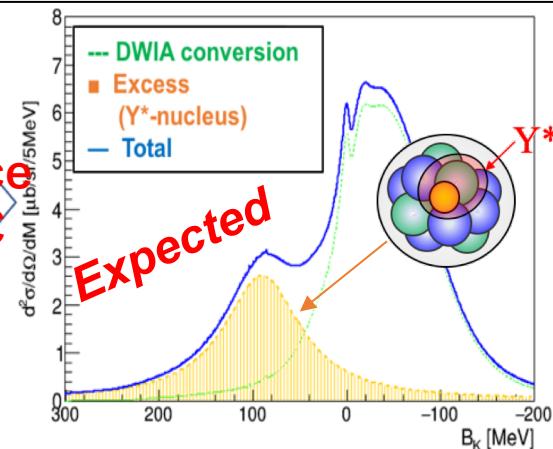
E42 Kp: Exclusive  $^{12}\text{C}(\text{K}^-, \text{p})\Lambda\text{p}$  measurement

We can improve S/N ratio!!

E05Kp:  $^{12}\text{C}(\text{K}^-, \text{p})$  Inclusive



E42Kp:  $^{12}\text{C}(\text{K}^-, \text{p})\Lambda\text{p}$  Exclusive



# Summary

- $^{12}\text{C}(\text{K}^-, \text{K}^+)$  reaction to study  $\Xi$ -hypernucleus and  $\Xi$ -A interaction
  - E05 ( $\text{K}^-, \text{K}^+$ ) paper has been submitted.
  - We showed the wide energy-range spectrum (Carbon graphite target).
  - We have performed spectrum fitting around the threshold region.
    - (b) QF( $\Gamma=0$ ) + 2Gaus and (c) QF( $\Gamma\neq0$ ) + 1BW are likely.
    - The peak structures will be prominent with E70's resolution, 2MeV.
  - E42 can decompose the inclusive spectrum to escape and conversion one.  
→ Good sensitivity to determine the  $W_0^\Xi$ .
- $^{12}\text{C}(\text{K}^-, \text{p})$  reaction to study  $\bar{K}$ -A interaction
  - $(V_0, W_0) = (-80, -40)$  MeV, shallow potential, well reproduced the spectrum.
  - We found the significant event excess ( $\text{Y}^*$ -nucleus state?), around  $B_K \sim 100$  MeV.
  - E42 exclusive study will conclude the existence of event excess.

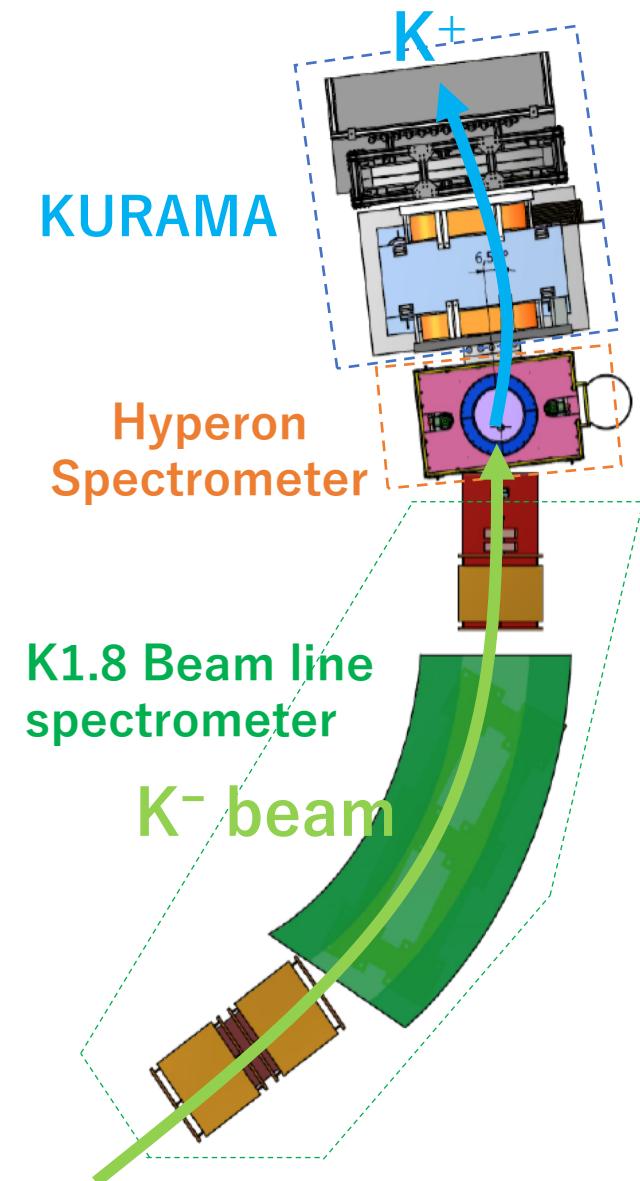
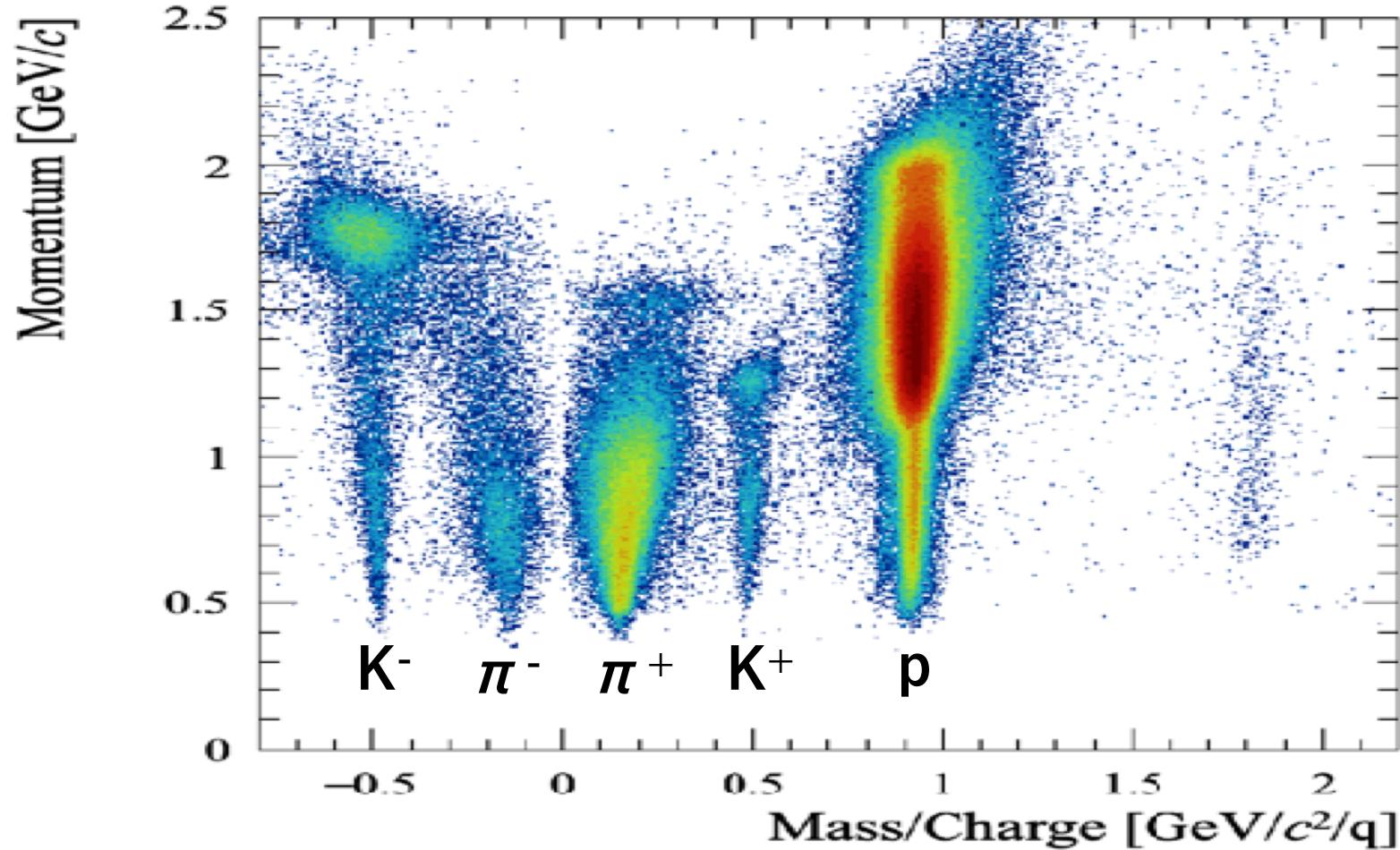
# **Back up**

# Introduction

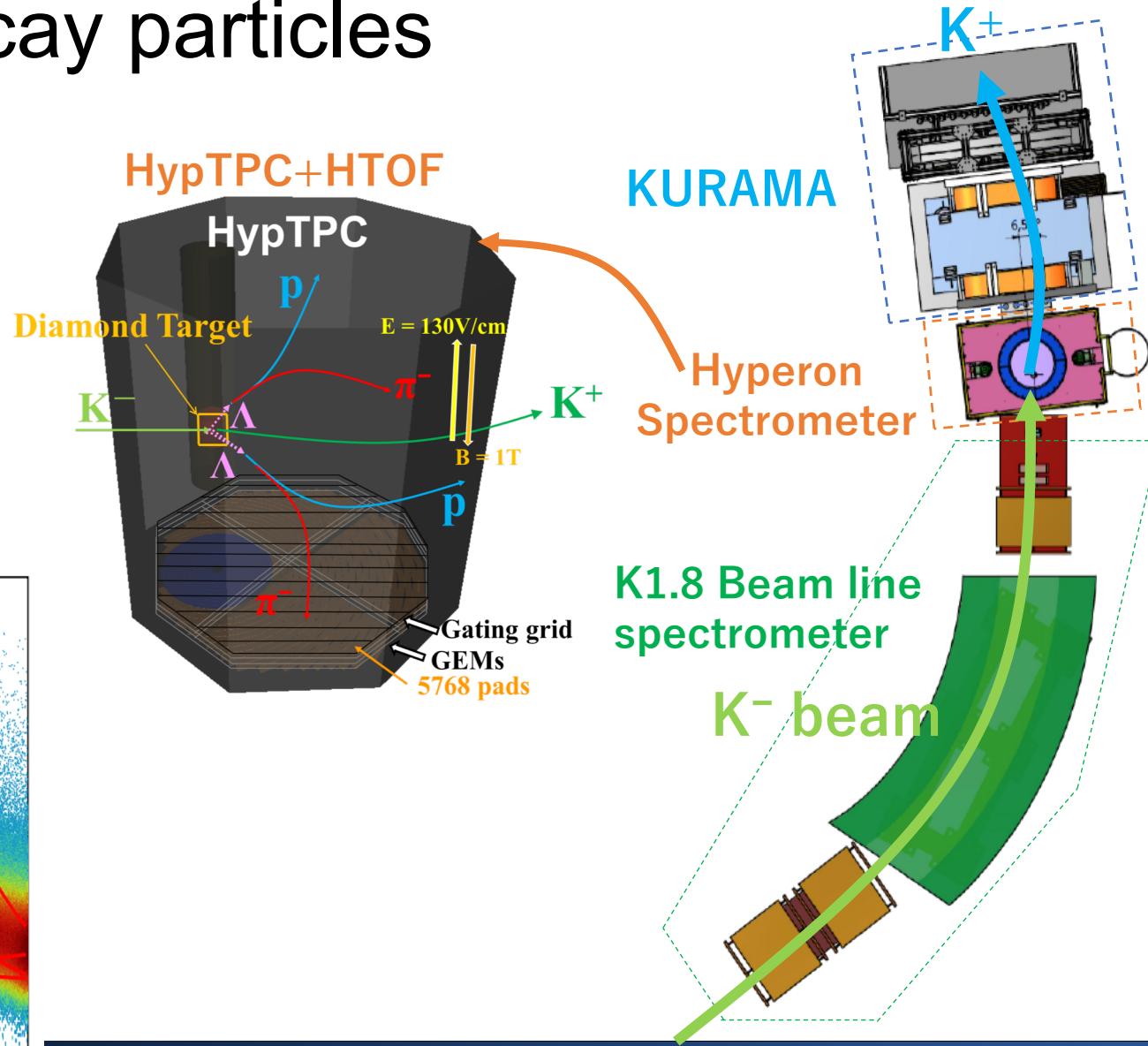
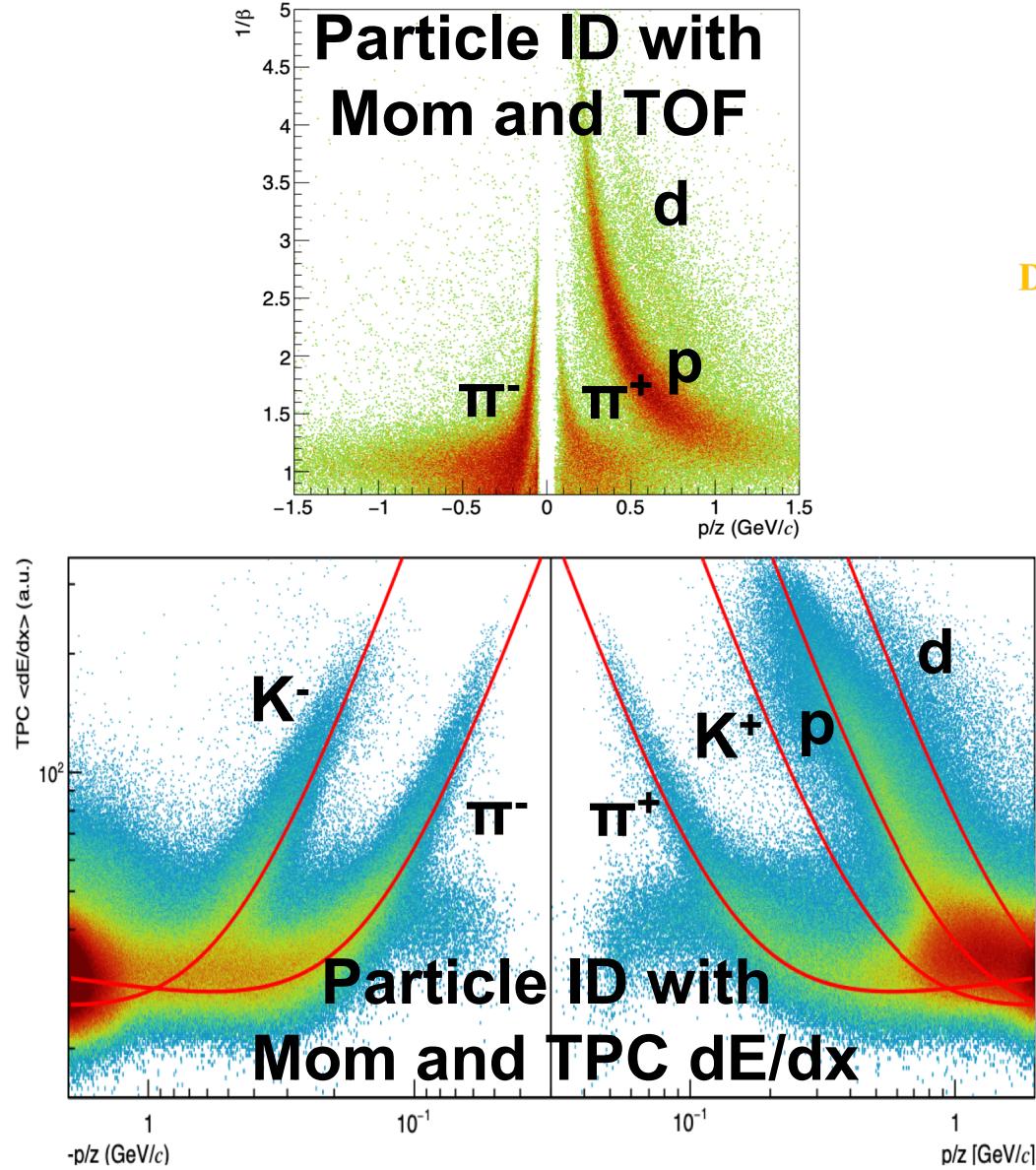
- H-dibaryon:  
Six-quark state consisting of  $uuddss$  quarks due to color magnetic force.
- History of H-dibaryon search

1977	• Deeply-bound di-hyperon predicted by R. Jaffe
1980-2000	• No evidence for the deeply-bound $H$ from KEK, BNL, and CERN experimental efforts by more than 80 MeV
2001	• Mass constraint from observation of ${}^6_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{He}$ (E373)
1998,2007	• Enhanced $\Lambda\Lambda$ production near threshold was reported from E224 and E522 at KEK-PS.
2011	• LQCD calculations predict the H-dibaryon near $m_{\Lambda\Lambda}$
2013-2015	• No evidence for $H \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-$ and $H \rightarrow \Lambda\Lambda$ in high-energy $e^+e^-$ , $pp$ and $AA$ experiments
2021	• LQCD calculations point to the mass the H-dibaryon very close to $\Xi N$ threshold ( $m_\pi \approx 146$ MeV)
2021	• <b>J-PARC E42 has successfully completed with HypTPC.</b>

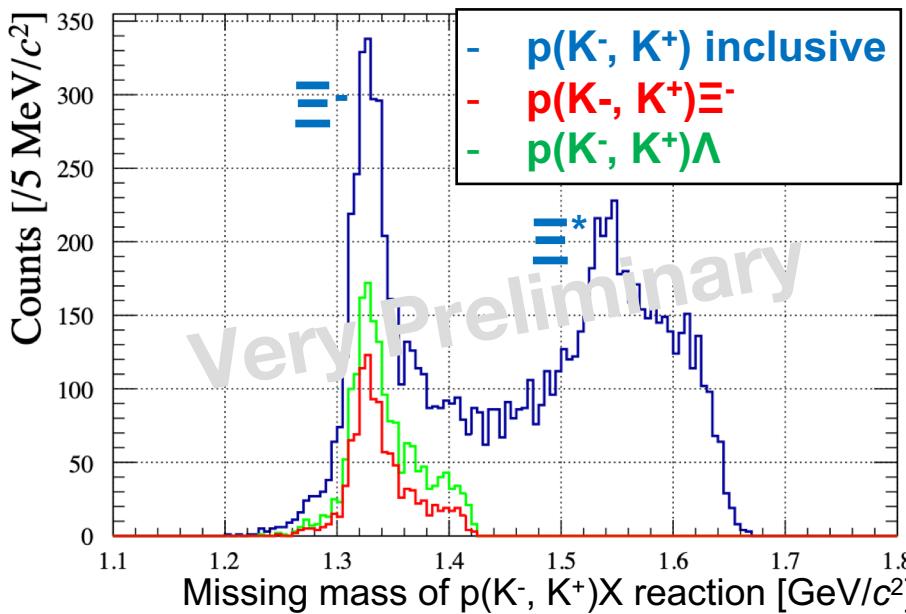
# Analysis of KURAMA spectrometer for the forward scattered particles



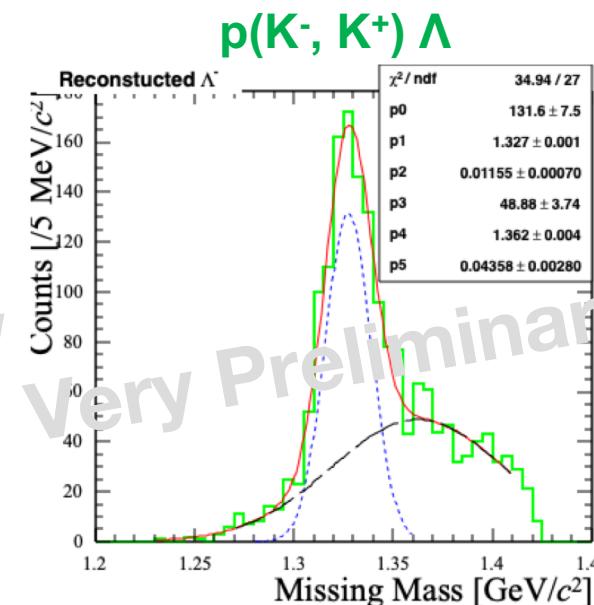
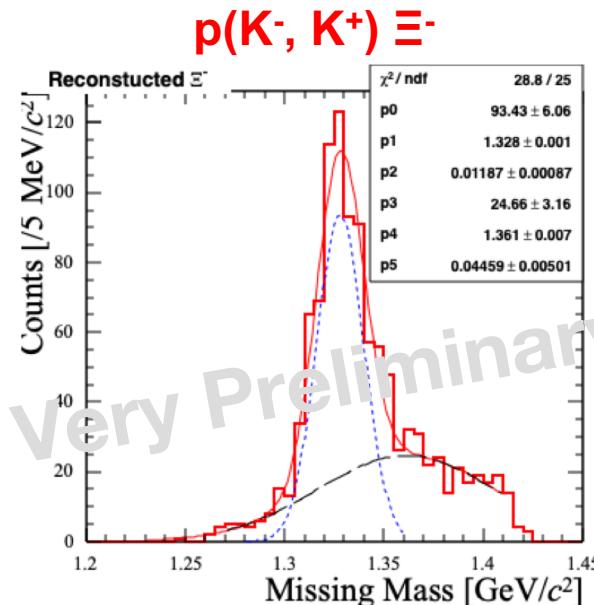
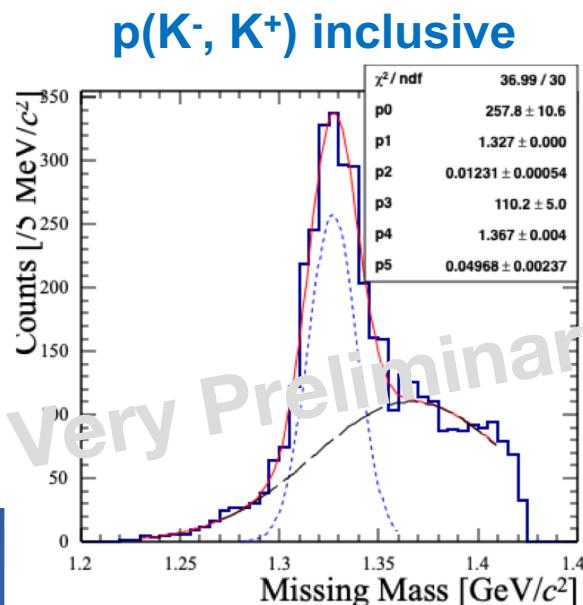
# Analysis of Hyperon spectrometer (HypTPC) for the decay particles



# $p(K^-, K^+)$ missing-mass analysis with CH<sub>2</sub> target

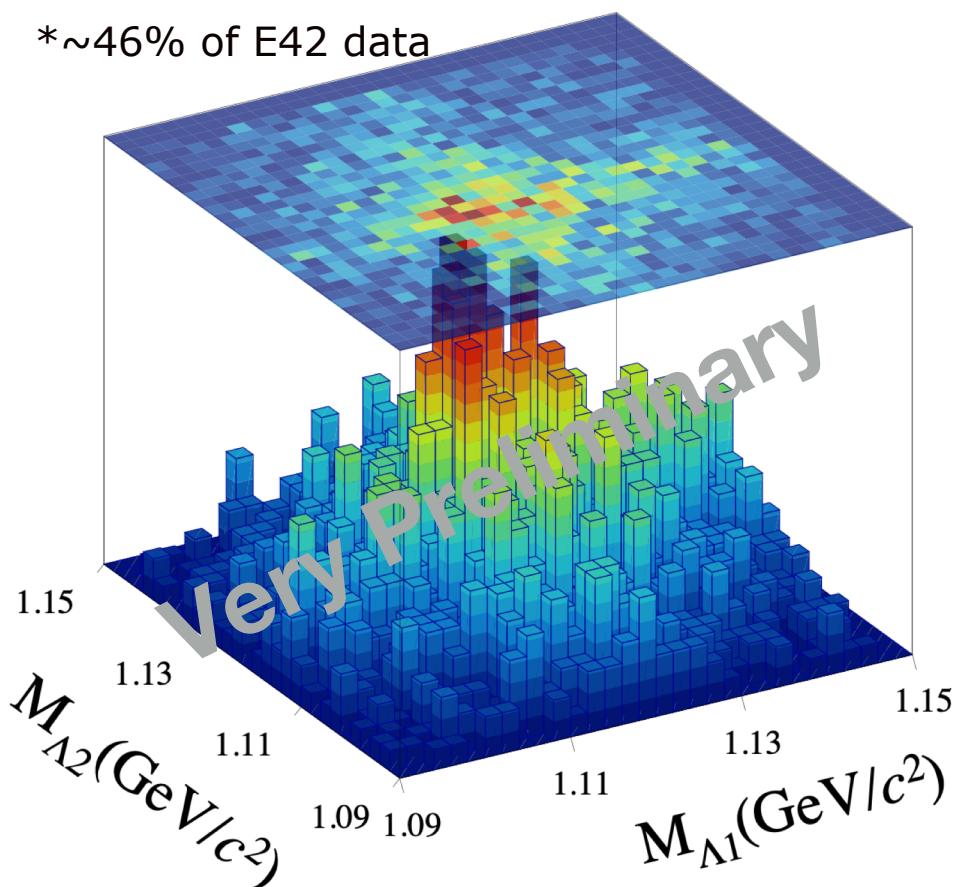


	Inclusive	Coin with $\Xi^-$	Coin with $\Lambda$
<b>Yield (C(QF) + H)</b>	<b>4022 events</b>	<b>1076 events</b>	<b>1770 events</b>
<b>Yield (H)</b>	<b>1591 events</b>	<b>556 events</b>	<b>742 events</b>
<b>Coincidence Prob. (H)</b>		<b>0.34 (Coin<math>\Xi^-</math> / Inclusive)</b>	<b>0.47 (Coin<math>\Lambda</math> / Inclusive)</b>
<b>Br × Acceptance (<math>\Xi \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-</math>, <math>\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-</math>)</b>		<b><math>0.64 \times 0.87 = 0.56</math></b>	<b><math>0.64 \times 0.92 = 0.59</math></b>



# $\Lambda\Lambda$ reconstruction using HypTPC

3,000  $\Lambda\Lambda$  events are reconstructed  
with 46% E42 data  
→ 6,600  $\Lambda\Lambda$  events with 100% data



## Summary of past experiments

	KEK E224	KEK E522
Beam $K^-$	$p_-(K^-) = 1.65 \text{ GeV}/c$	$p_-(K^-) = 1.66 \text{ GeV}/c$
$p_-(K^+)$ [GeV/c]	$0.95 < p_-(K^+) < 1.3$	$0.9 < p_-(K^+) < 1.3$
$d\sigma/d\Omega^C (\Lambda\Lambda)$	<b>7.6 <math>\mu\text{b}/\text{sr}</math></b>	<b>12.8 <math>\mu\text{b}/\text{sr}</math></b>
$\Lambda\Lambda$ yield	35 events	68 events

E42 used  $p_-(K^-) = 1.8 \text{ GeV}/c$  beam  
Considering 1.5 times larger cross section of  $\Xi^-$  production

## Comparison with expected yield

$p_-(K^+)$ [GeV/c]	$0.95 < p_-(K^+) < 1.3$	$0.5 < p_-(K^+)$
Assumed $d\sigma/d\Omega^C(\Lambda\Lambda)$	<b>7.6 <math>\mu\text{b}/\text{sr}</math></b>	<b>12.8 <math>\mu\text{b}/\text{sr}</math></b>
Expected $\Lambda\Lambda$ yield	337 events	570 events
Expected scaled $\Lambda\Lambda$ yield	520 events	880 events
Measured $\Lambda\Lambda$ yield	1,390 events	3,030 events

**Measured  $\Lambda\Lambda$  yield is larger than the expectation**

# Other physics topics of E42

*4 Ph.D. students are analyzing the E42 data*

Wooseung  
(Korea Univ.)

- $\Xi$ -nucleus interaction study (close relation with H-dibaryon)
  - E42 is sensitive for the  $W_0$  (imaginary part) determination

Byungmin  
(Korea Univ.)

- $d\sigma/d\Omega$  and  $P_{\pm}$  measurement of  $K^- p \rightarrow K^+ \Xi^- / \Xi^-(1535)$  reaction

Sungwook  
(Korea Univ.)

- $d\sigma/d\Omega$  measurement of  $p(K^-, p)K^*(892)$  and  $^{12}C(K^-, p)K^*(892)X$

F. Oura  
(Tohoku Univ.)

- Kaonic nuclear search by  $^{12}C(K^-, p)$  reaction

***H-dibaryon box will be opened after we perfectly confirm the analysis***

# Experiments related to $\Xi$ -A interaction study

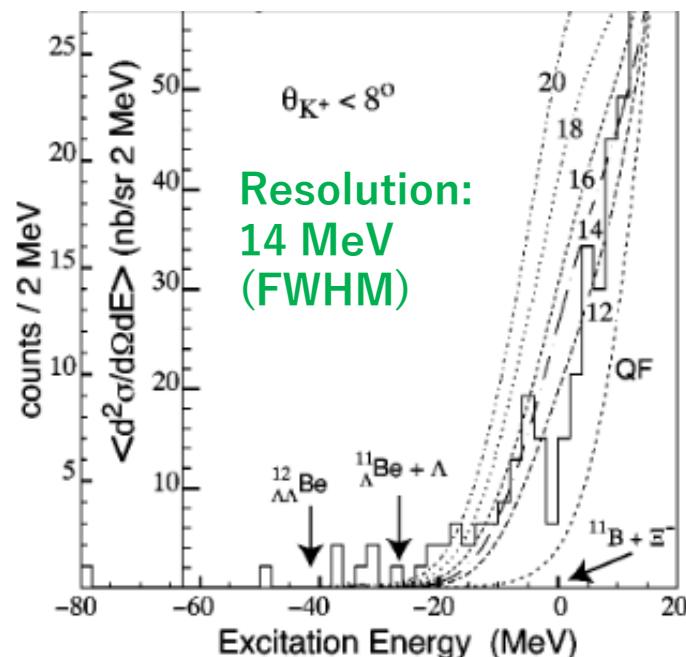
$\Xi$ -A potential:

$$\begin{aligned} U_{\Xi}(r) &= V_{\Xi}(r) + iW_{\Xi}(E, r) \\ &= [V_0^{\Xi} + iW_0^{\Xi}g(E)]f(r) \end{aligned}$$

$V_0^{\Xi}(\text{Re})$ : Interaction strength of  $\Xi$ -A  
 $W_0^{\Xi}(\text{Im})$ : Absorption strength  
 $(\Xi^- p \rightarrow \Lambda\Lambda, \Xi^- p \rightarrow \Xi^0 n)$

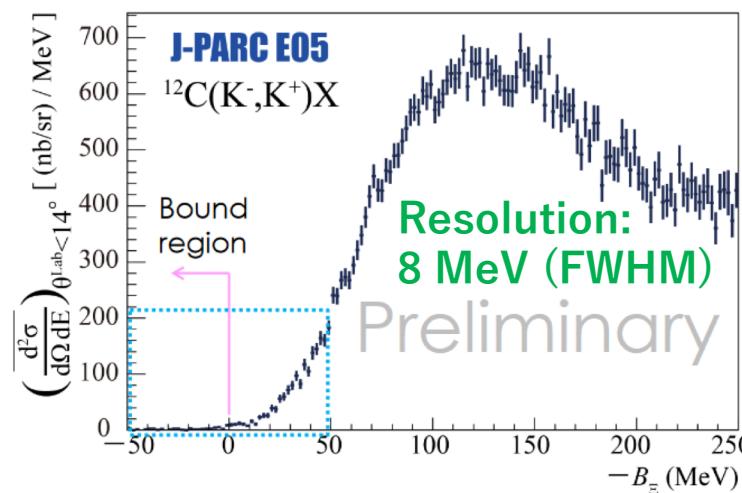
**BNL E885**

$^{12}\text{C}(\text{K}^-, \text{K}^+)$  inclusive spectrum  
 $\rightarrow V_0^{\Xi} \sim -14 \text{ MeV}$  by neglecting  $W_0^{\Xi}$

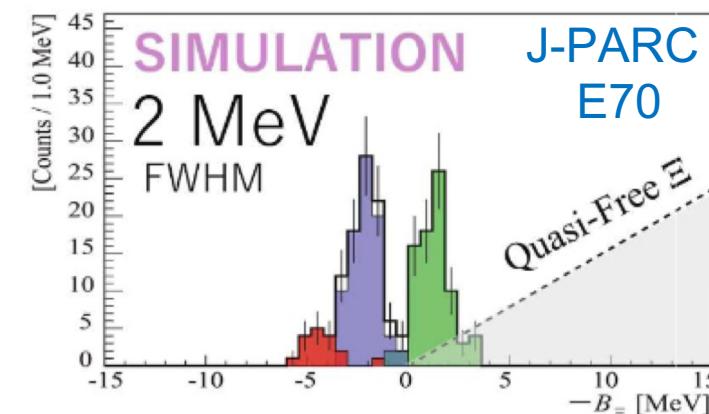


**J-PARC E05/E70**

$^{12}\text{C}(\text{K}^-, \text{K}^+)$  inclusive spectrum  
with wide  $B_{\Xi}$  range is taken.



**Best resolution 2 MeV will be achieved in E70**



# Experiments related to $\Xi$ -A interaction study

$\Xi$ -A potential:

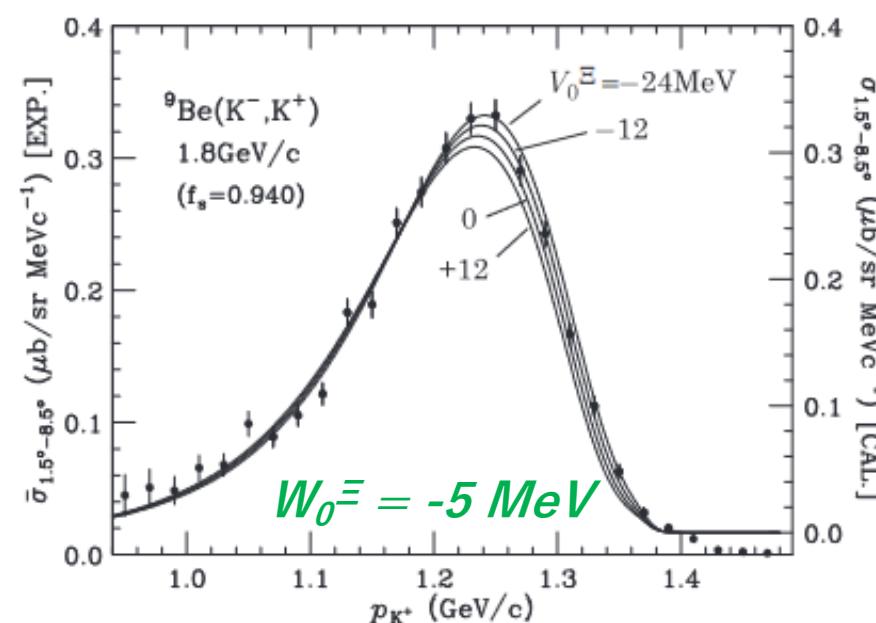
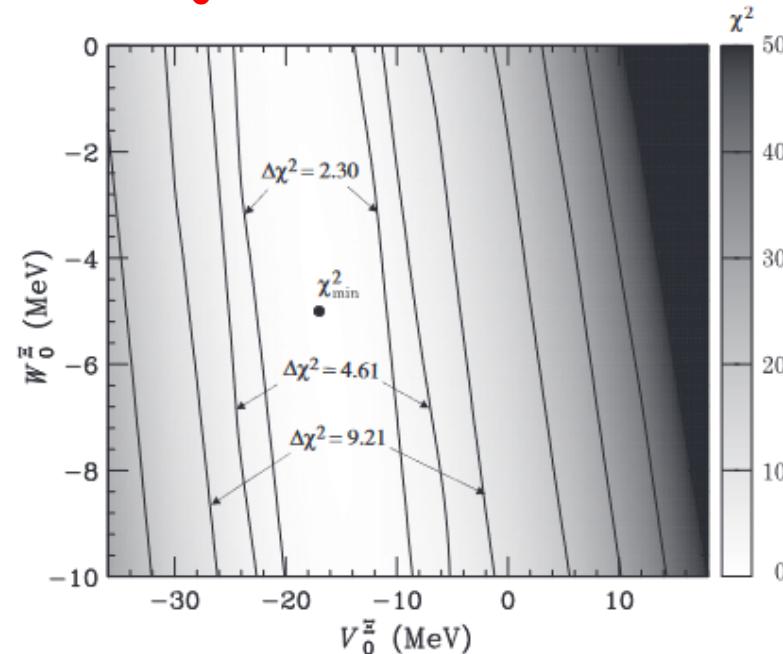
$$\begin{aligned} U_{\Xi}(r) &= V_{\Xi}(r) + iW_{\Xi}(E, r) \\ &= [V_0^{\Xi} + iW_0^{\Xi}g(E)]f(r) \end{aligned}$$

$V_0^{\Xi}$ (Re): Interaction strength of  $\Xi$ -A  
 $W_0^{\Xi}$ (Im): Absorption strength  
( $\Xi^- p \rightarrow \Lambda\Lambda$ ,  $\Xi^- p \rightarrow \Xi^0 N$ )

Reinvestigation using old BNL-E906 data by Harada and Hirabayashi

$$V_0^{\Xi} = -17 \pm 6 \text{ MeV}$$

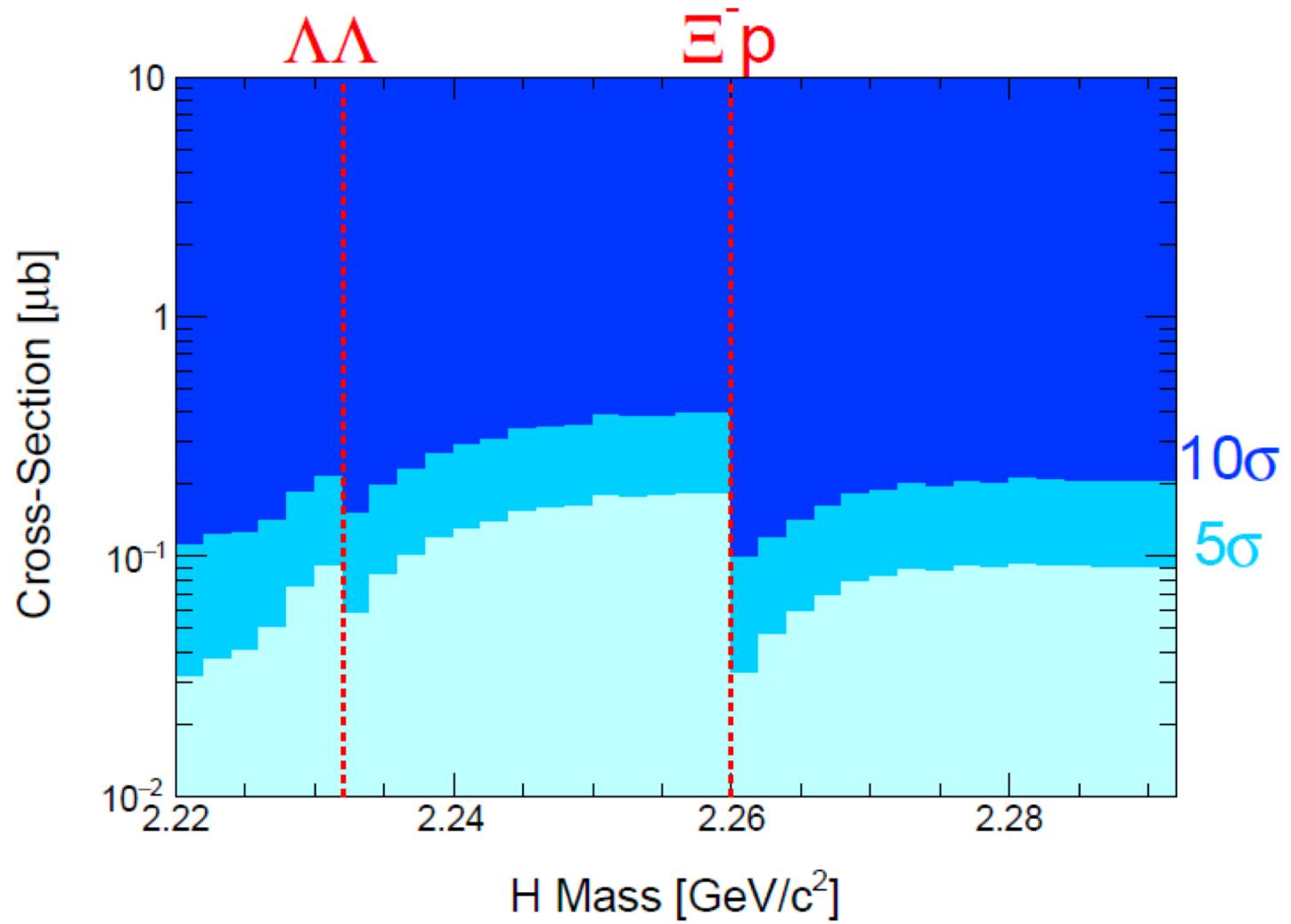
**$W_0^{\Xi}$  is difficult to determine by the inclusive spectrum.**

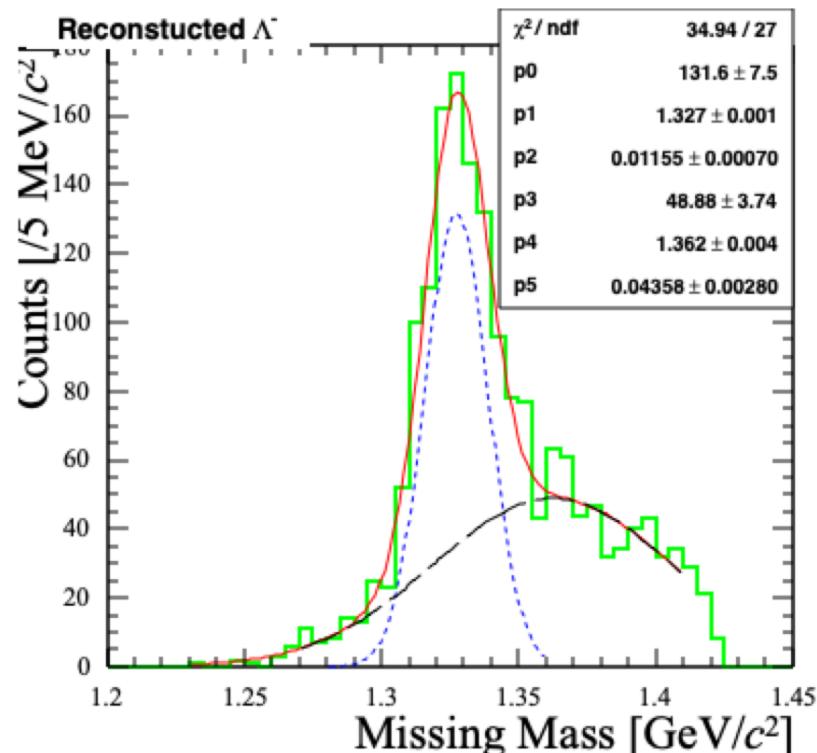
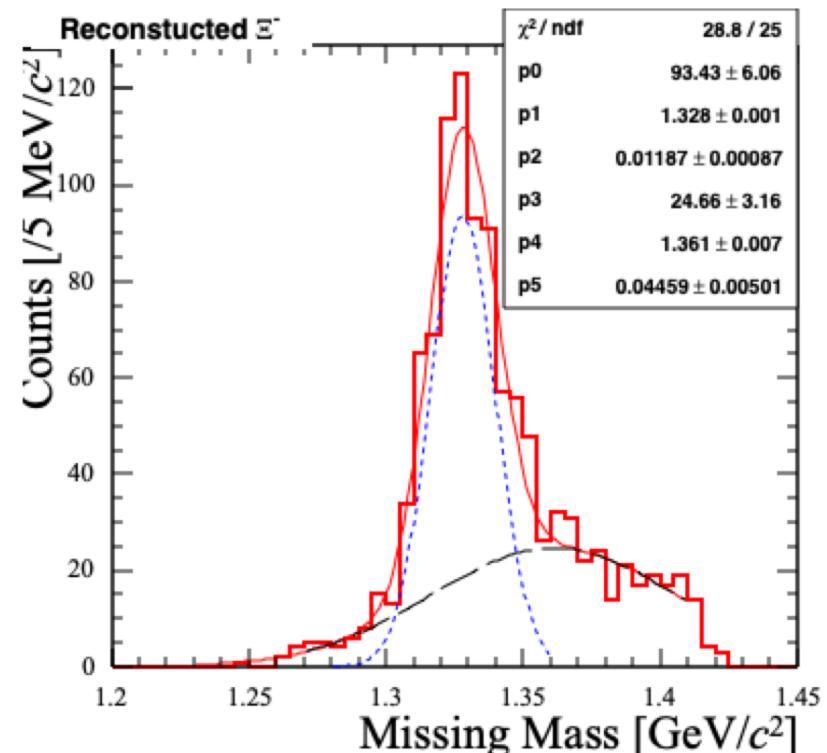
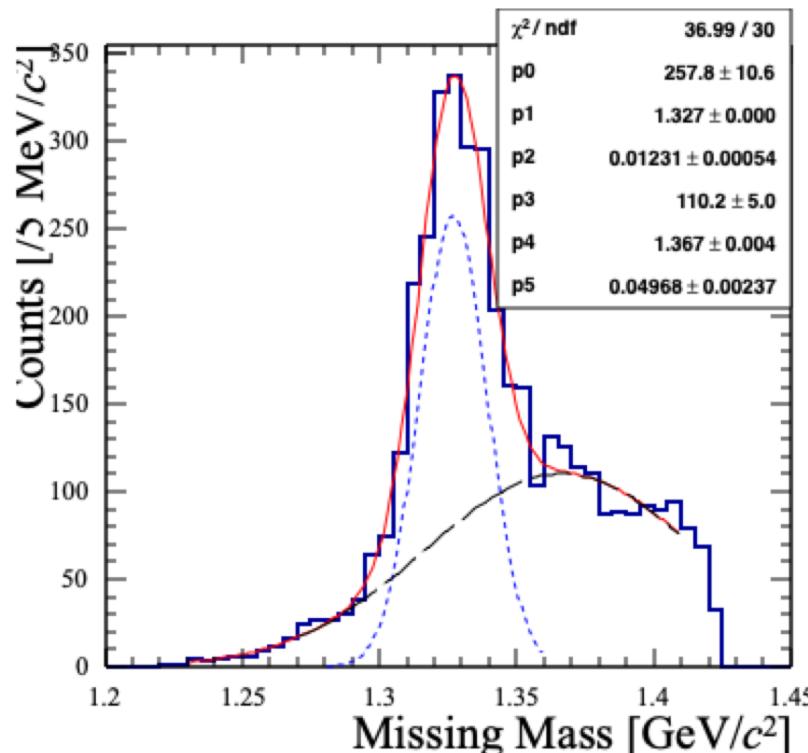


# Summary

- We have updated analysis code to improve the tracking efficiency and resolutions.
- $\Xi^-$  and  $\Lambda$  reconstruction efficiency is improved and it is checked by the  $\text{CH}_2$  target data analysis.
- 3,000  $\Lambda\Lambda$  events are reconstructed using 46% dataset.  
Reconstructed  $\Lambda\Lambda$  yield is larger than the expectation.  
6,600  $\Lambda\Lambda$  events are expected with 100% dataset.
- We show preliminary result of the byproduct to study the  $\Xi$ -A interaction.  
We can decompose the inclusive  $^{12}\text{C}(\text{K}^-, \text{K}^+)$  spectrum to  $\Xi^-$  escape and  
 $\Xi^-\text{p} \rightarrow \Lambda\Lambda$  conversion spectra. E42 is sensitive for the  $W_0\bar{\Xi}$  determination.
- We hope to open the H-dibaryon box soon.

# Sensitivity of E42 experiment





All

$E^-$

reconstructed

Raw histograms

All events 4022

1076

1770

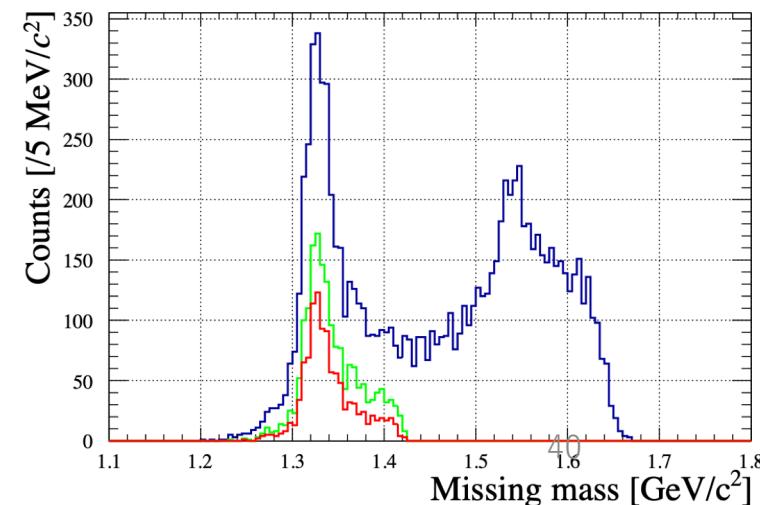
$\mathbf{p}(K^-, K^+)X$  events 1591

556

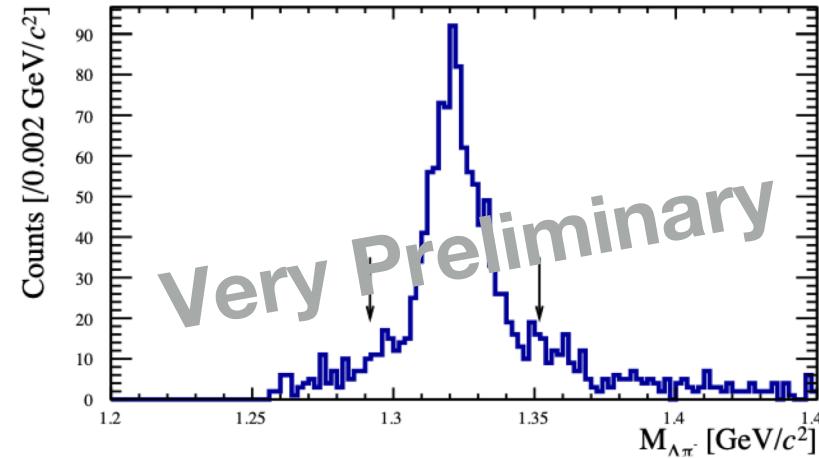
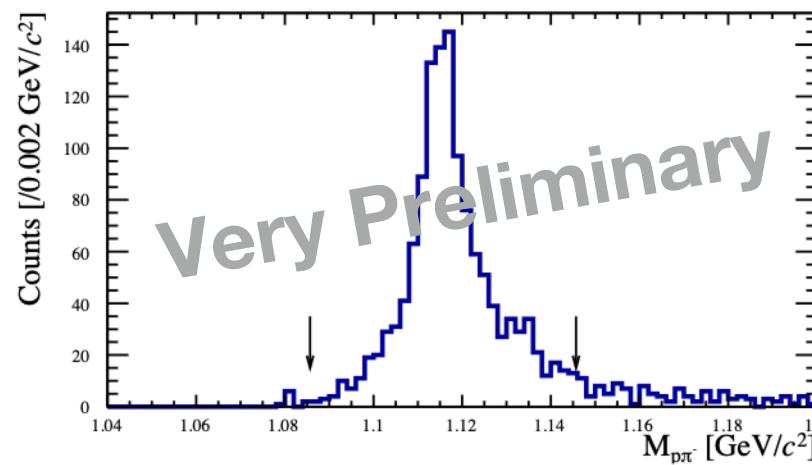
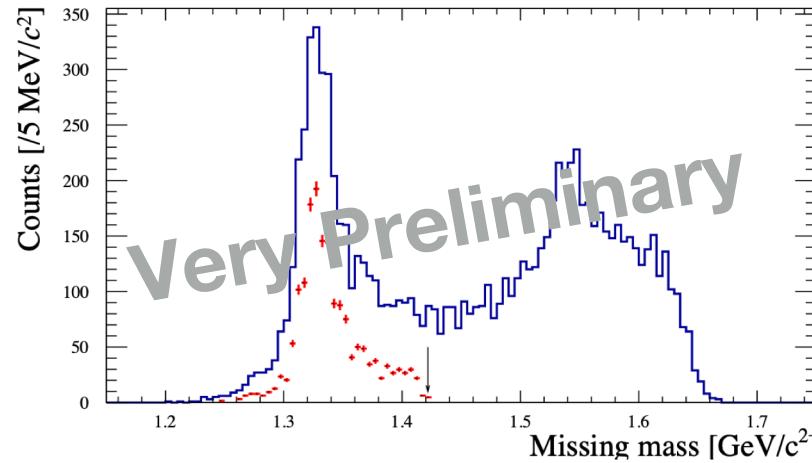
742

$\text{Xi- coincidence prob. : } 556/1591/0.639 = 0.55$

$\text{L coincidence prob. : } 742/1591/0.639 = 0.73$



# Preliminary $\Lambda$ / $\Xi^-$ reconstruction via the $\text{CH}_2(K^-, K^+)X$ reaction



# $K^+$ Momentum Spectrum with Exclusive Processes

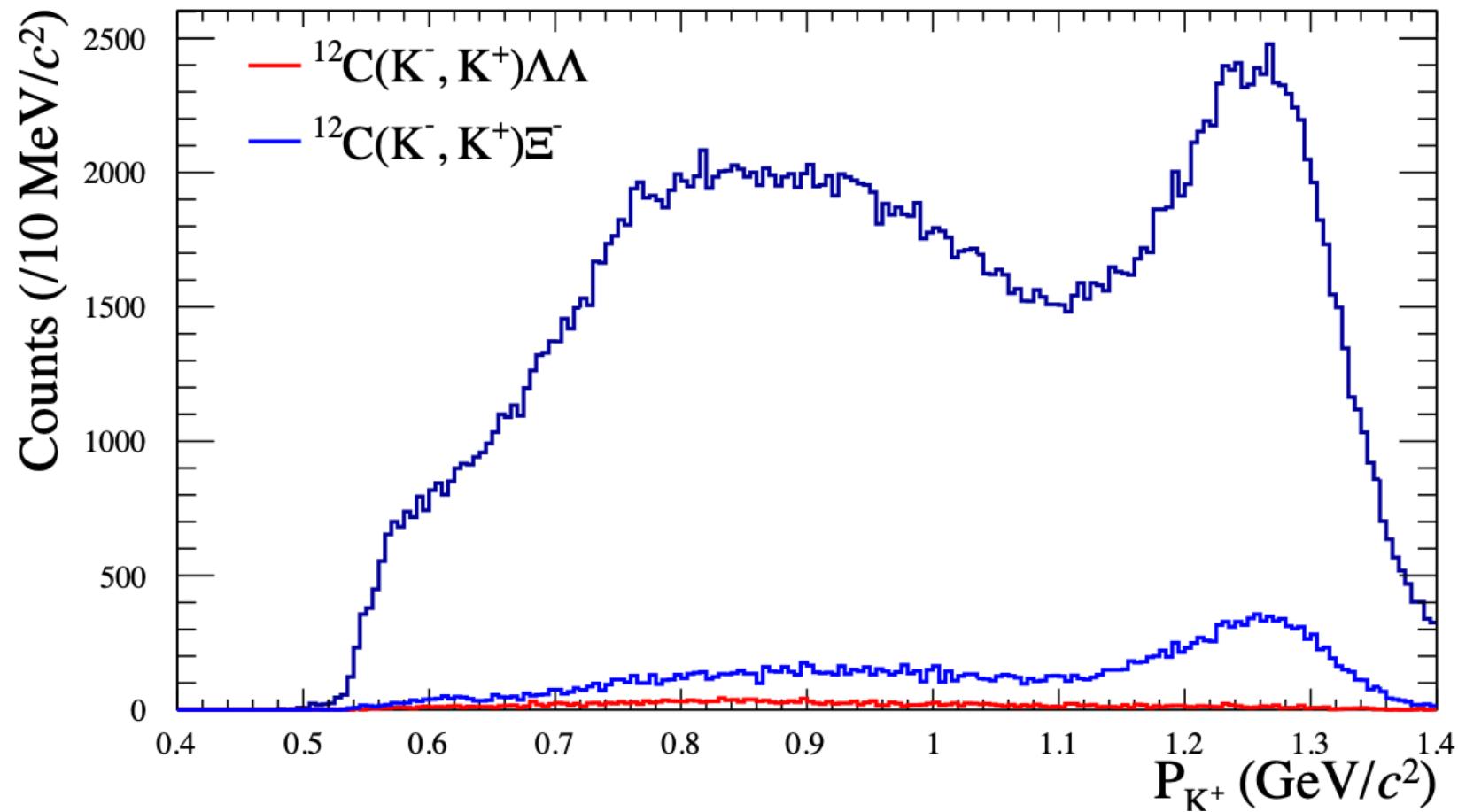


Table 5.2: Yield estimates for  $\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$  production events.

Parameters	PAC	E42		
Beam power	60 kW	64 kW		
$K^-$ beam (M/h) ( $F_{K^-}$ )	415			
Accelerator operation ( $\varepsilon_{\text{acc}}$ )	90%	92%		
Physics run (day)	29	27		
Number of $K^-$ particles	$3.19 \times 10^{11}$	$1.8 \times 10^{11}$		
Target size $R_{\text{target}}$	0.95	0.80		
Number of nuclei ( $N_{\text{target}}$ )	$3.53 \times 10^{23}/\text{cm}^2$	$3.27 \times 10^{23}/\text{cm}^2$		
Density ( $\rho$ )	3.515 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	3.223 g/cm <sup>3</sup>		
$d\sigma/d\Omega_L^C(\Lambda\bar{\Lambda})$	7.6 $\mu\text{b}/\text{sr}$	10 $\mu\text{b}/\text{sr}$		
$\Delta\Omega(K^+)$		0.09 sr		
$\text{Br}(\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-)^2$		0.41		
$K^+$ decay		0.63		
$\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$ reconstruction		0.45		
$\varepsilon_{\text{DAQ}} \cdot \varepsilon_{\text{offline}}$		80% = 95% · 85%		
Event rate (event/h)	7.9			
$\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$ Yield (events)	6200	4500		
			KEK-E224[43]	KEK-E522[44]
			$p_{K^-}(\text{GeV}/c)$	1.65
			$d\sigma/d\Omega_L^C(\Lambda\bar{\Lambda})$	7.6 $\mu\text{b}/\text{sr}$
			$p_{K^+}(\text{GeV}/c)$	$0.95 < p_{K^+} < 1.3$
				1.66
				12.8 $\mu\text{b}/\text{sr}$
				10 $\mu\text{b}/\text{sr}$
				$0.50 < p_{K^+}$
			J-PARC E42	
			$p_{K^-}(\text{GeV}/c)$	1.82
			$d\sigma/d\Omega_L^C(\Lambda\bar{\Lambda})$	
			$p_{K^+}(\text{GeV}/c)$	

# Expected Yield and Reconstructed $\Lambda\Lambda$ Production Events

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Table 5.2: Yield estimates for  $\Lambda\Lambda$  production events.

Parameters	PAC	E42
Beam power	60 kW	64 kW
$K^-$ beam (M/h) ( $F_{K^-}$ )	415	
Accelerator operation ( $\varepsilon_{acc}$ )	90%	92%
Physics run (day)	29	27
Number of $K^-$ particles	$3.19 \times 10^{11}$	$1.8 \times 10^{11}$
Target size $R_{target}$	0.95	0.80
Number of nuclei ( $N_{target}$ )	$3.53 \times 10^{23}/\text{cm}^2$	$3.27 \times 10^{23}/\text{cm}^2$
Density ( $\rho$ )	3.515 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	3.223 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
$d\sigma/d\Omega_L^C(\Lambda\Lambda)$	7.6 $\mu\text{b}/\text{sr}$	10 $\mu\text{b}/\text{sr}$
$\Delta\Omega(K^+)$		0.09 sr
$\text{Br}(\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-)^2$		0.41
$K^+$ decay		0.63
$\Lambda\Lambda$ reconstruction		0.45
$\varepsilon_{\text{DAQ}} \cdot \varepsilon_{\text{offline}}$	$80\% = 95\% \cdot 85\%$	
Event rate (event/h)	7.9	
$\Lambda\Lambda$ Yield (events)	6200	4500

$K^-$  decay : 0.96

	KEK-E224[43]	KEK-E522[44]	J-PARC E42
$p_{K^-}(\text{GeV}/c)$	1.65	1.66	1.82
$d\sigma/d\Omega_L^C(\Lambda\Lambda)$	7.6 $\mu\text{b}/\text{sr}$	12.8 $\mu\text{b}/\text{sr}$	10 $\mu\text{b}/\text{sr}$
$p_{K^+}(\text{GeV}/c)$	$0.95 < p_{K^+} < 1.3$	$0.90 < p_{K^+} < 1.3$	$0.50 < p_{K^+}$

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$P_{K^+} (\text{GeV}/c)$	$0.5 < P_{K^+}$	$0.95 < P_{K^+} < 1.3$	$0.5 < P_{K^+}$	$0.5 < P_{K^+}$
<i>Number of <math>K^-</math></i>	$1.8 \times 10^{11}$	$0.46 \times 10^{11}$	$1.8 \times 10^{11}$	$1.8 \times 10^{11}$
$d\sigma/d\Omega_L^C(\Lambda\Lambda)$			$7.6 \mu\text{b}/\text{sr}$	$7.6 \mu\text{b}/\text{sr}$
( <i>expctd</i> ) $\Lambda\Lambda$ Yield			750	2900
( <i>expcted</i> ) Scaled $\Lambda\Lambda$ Yield			1100	4450
( <i>Measured</i> ) $\Lambda\Lambda$ Yield	8200	2800	8200	8200

$$0.46 \times 10^{11} = (1.8 \times 10^{11}) \times (99/(289 + 99))$$

The cross section for  $^{12}\text{C}(K^-, K^+)$  reactions at 1.65 GeV/c (KEK-E176)

$0.95 < P_{K^+} < 1.3 \text{ GeV}/c : 99 \pm 4 \mu\text{b}/\text{s}$

$0.5 < P_{K^+} < 0.95 \text{ GeV}/c : 289 \pm 12 \mu\text{b}/\text{s}$

1.65  $\rightarrow$  1.8 GeV/c scaling factor : 54/35

The  $\Xi^-$  production cross section

$\langle d\sigma/d\Omega \rangle (K^- p \rightarrow K^+ \Xi^- = 54 \mu\text{b}/\text{sr})$  at 1.8 GeV/c

$\langle d\sigma/d\Omega \rangle = 35 \mu\text{b}/\text{sr}$  at 1.65 GeV/c

