

Search for η' mesic nuclei with (p,d) reaction at GSI



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$M=958 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

$\Gamma=0.198 \text{ MeV}$

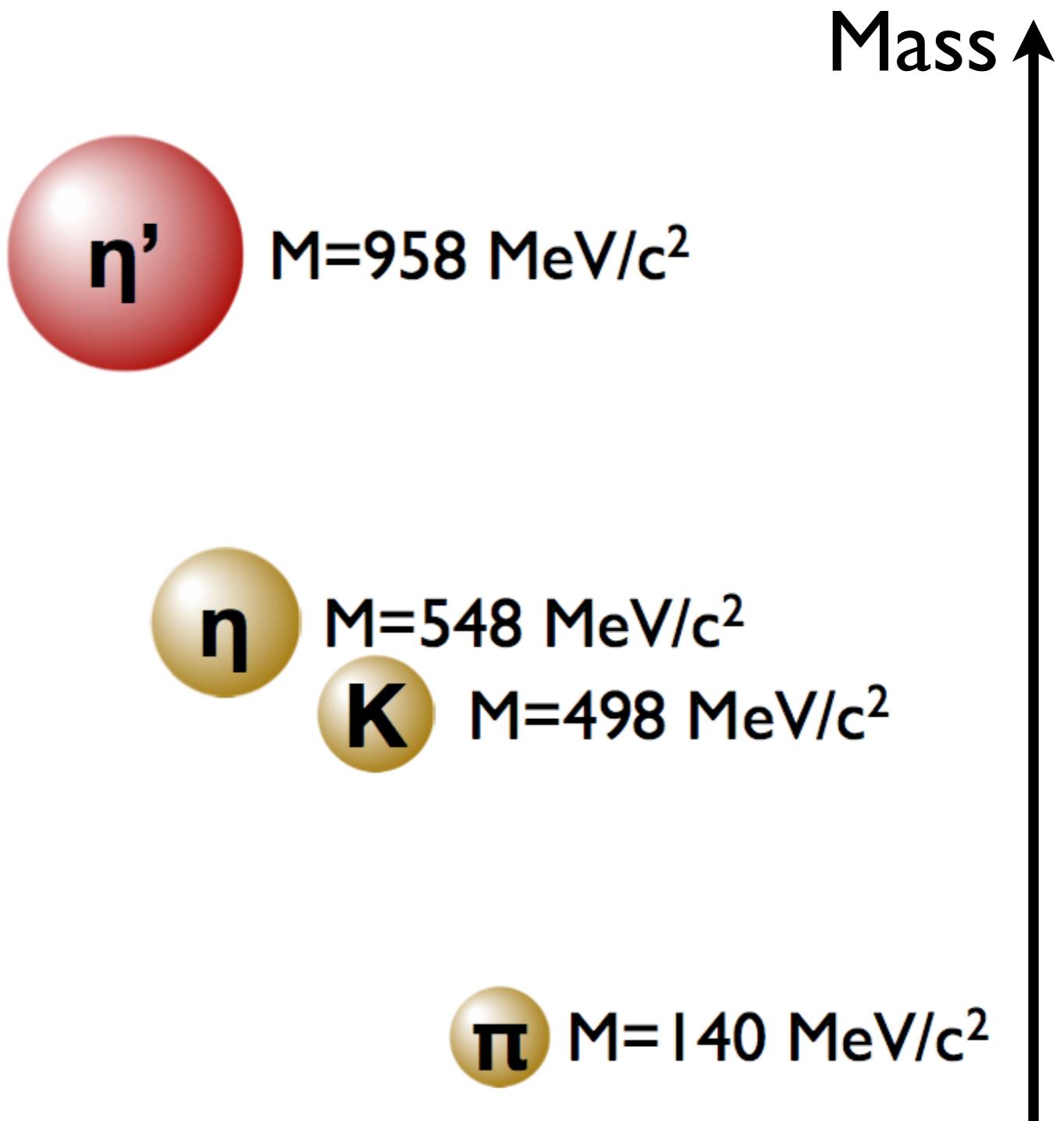
Pseudoscalar meson ($J^\pi=0^-$)

Decay mode

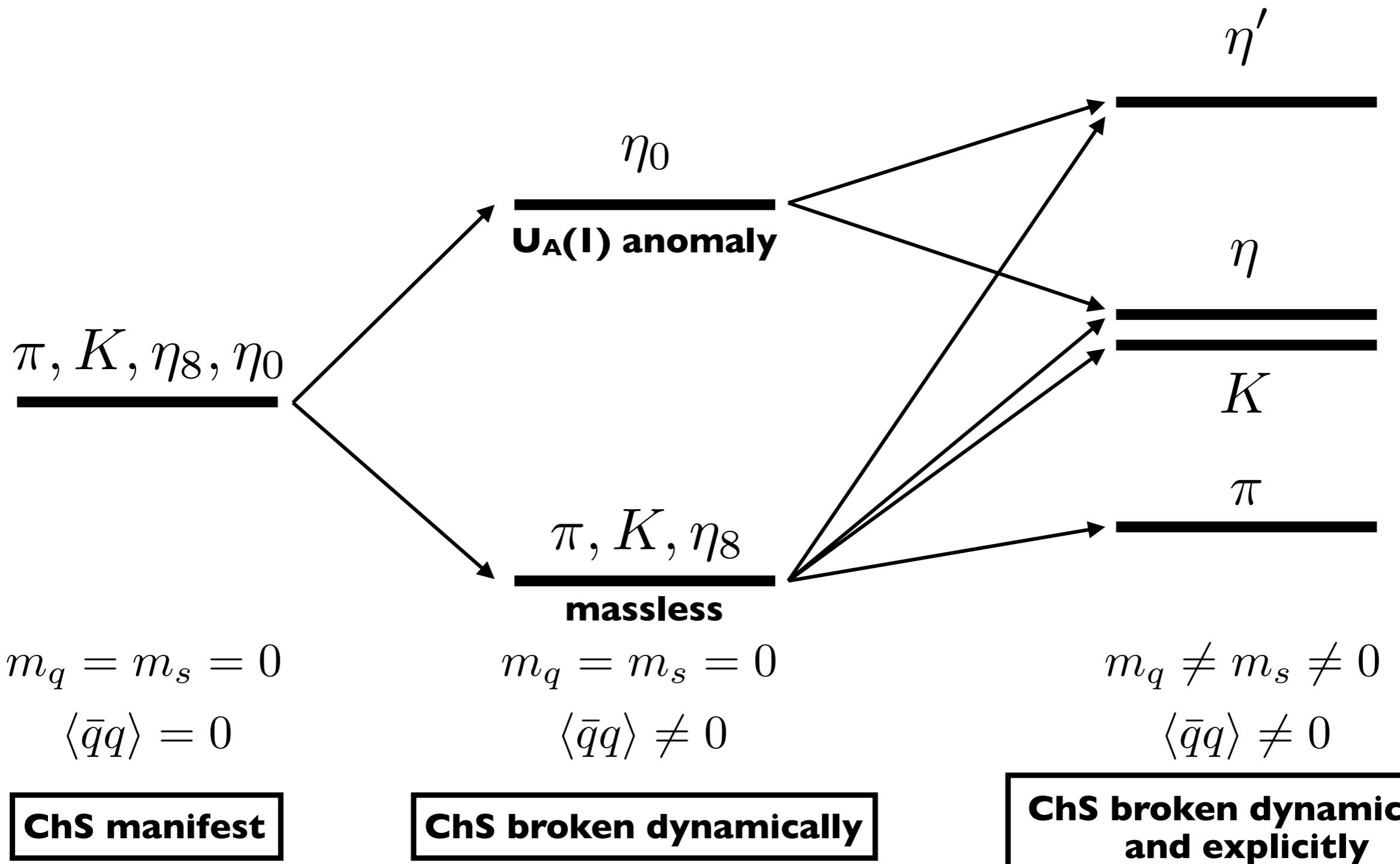
$\pi^+\pi^-\eta(43\%)$,

$\rho^0\gamma(29\%)$,

$\pi^0\pi^0\eta(22\%)$



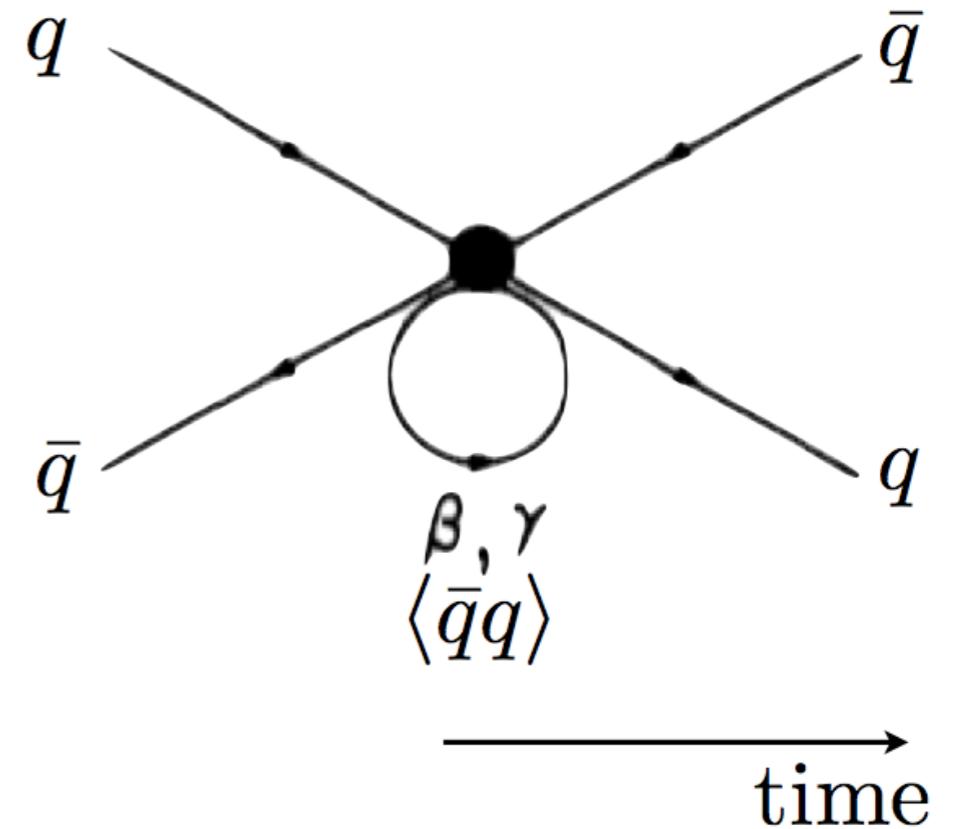
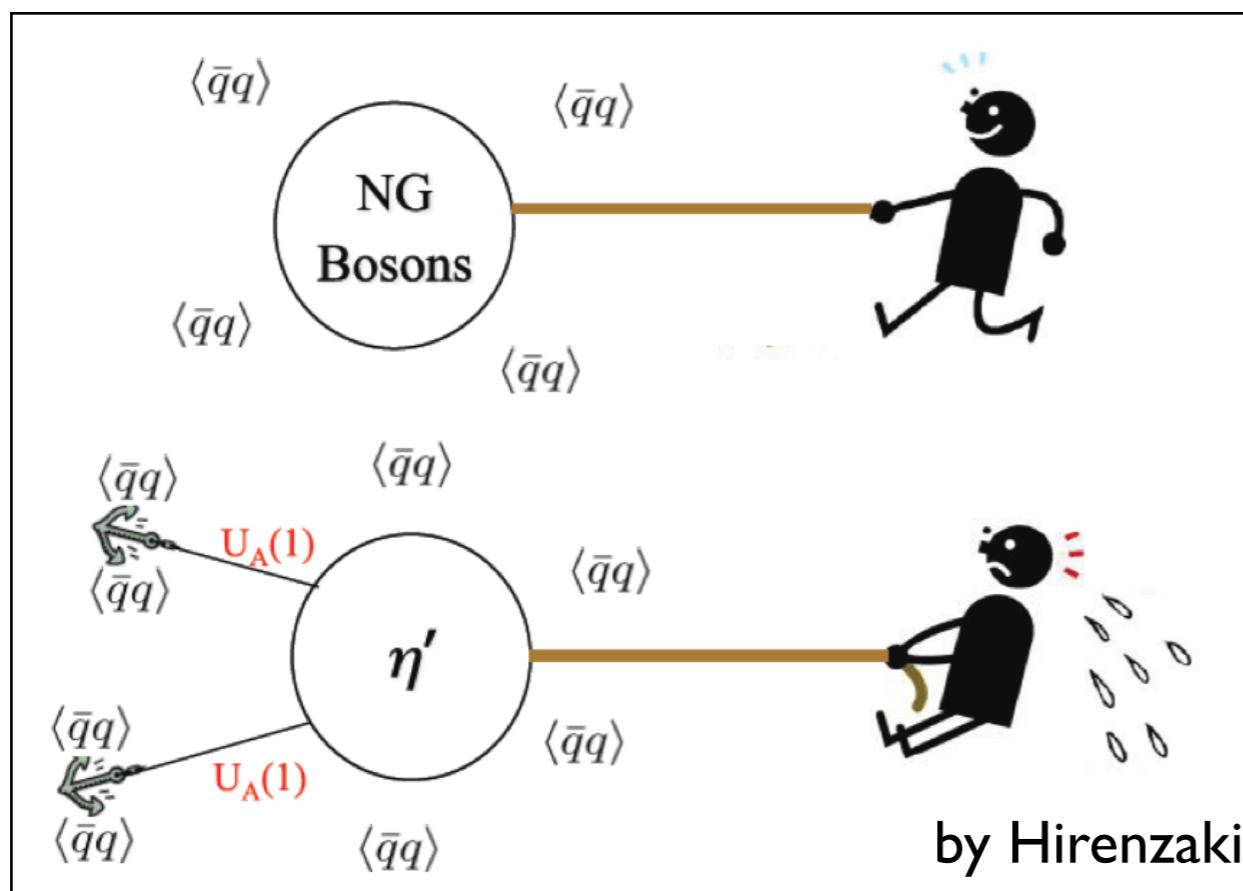
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$U_A(1)$ anomaly effect on η' mass

- KMT interaction in NJL model
- related to the strength of chiral condensate $\langle\bar{q}q\rangle$



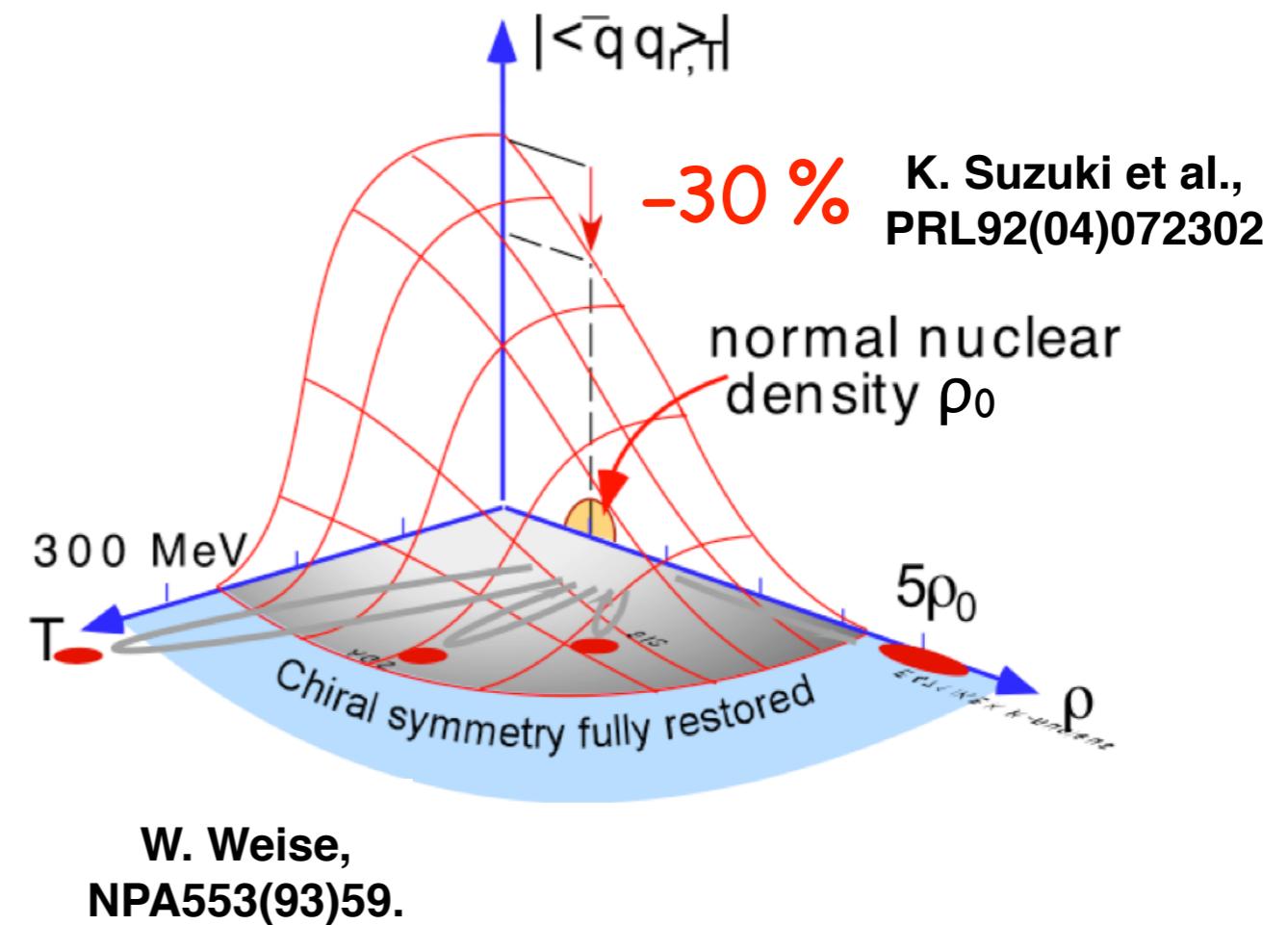
Kobayashi-Maskawa-'t Hooft
6-point vertex

Kobayashi, Maskawa, PTP44(70)1422
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η' meson in medium

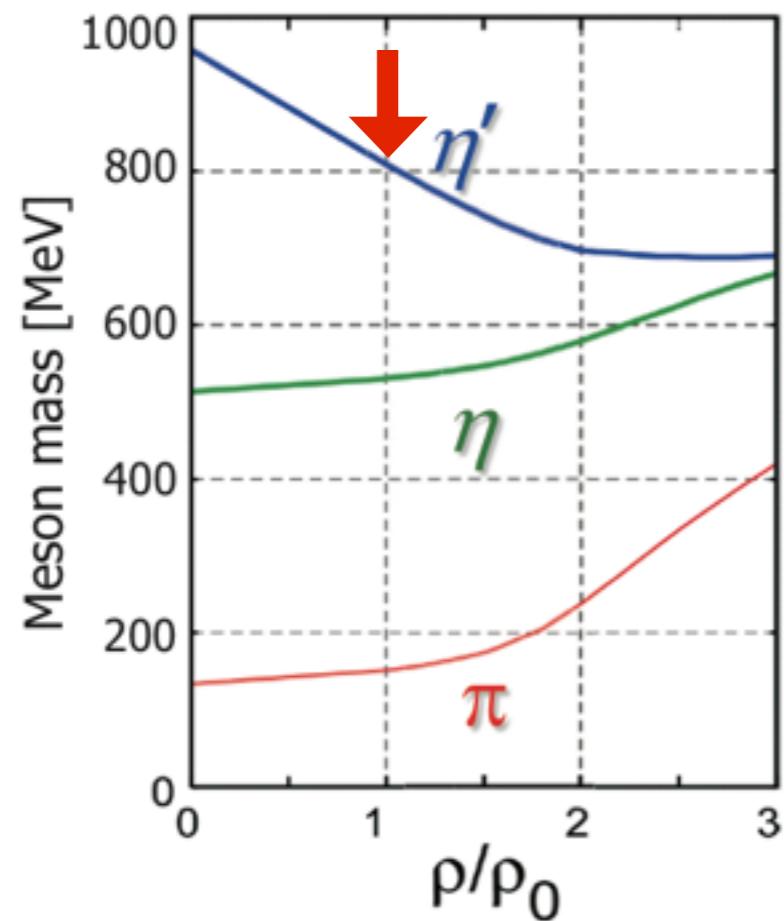
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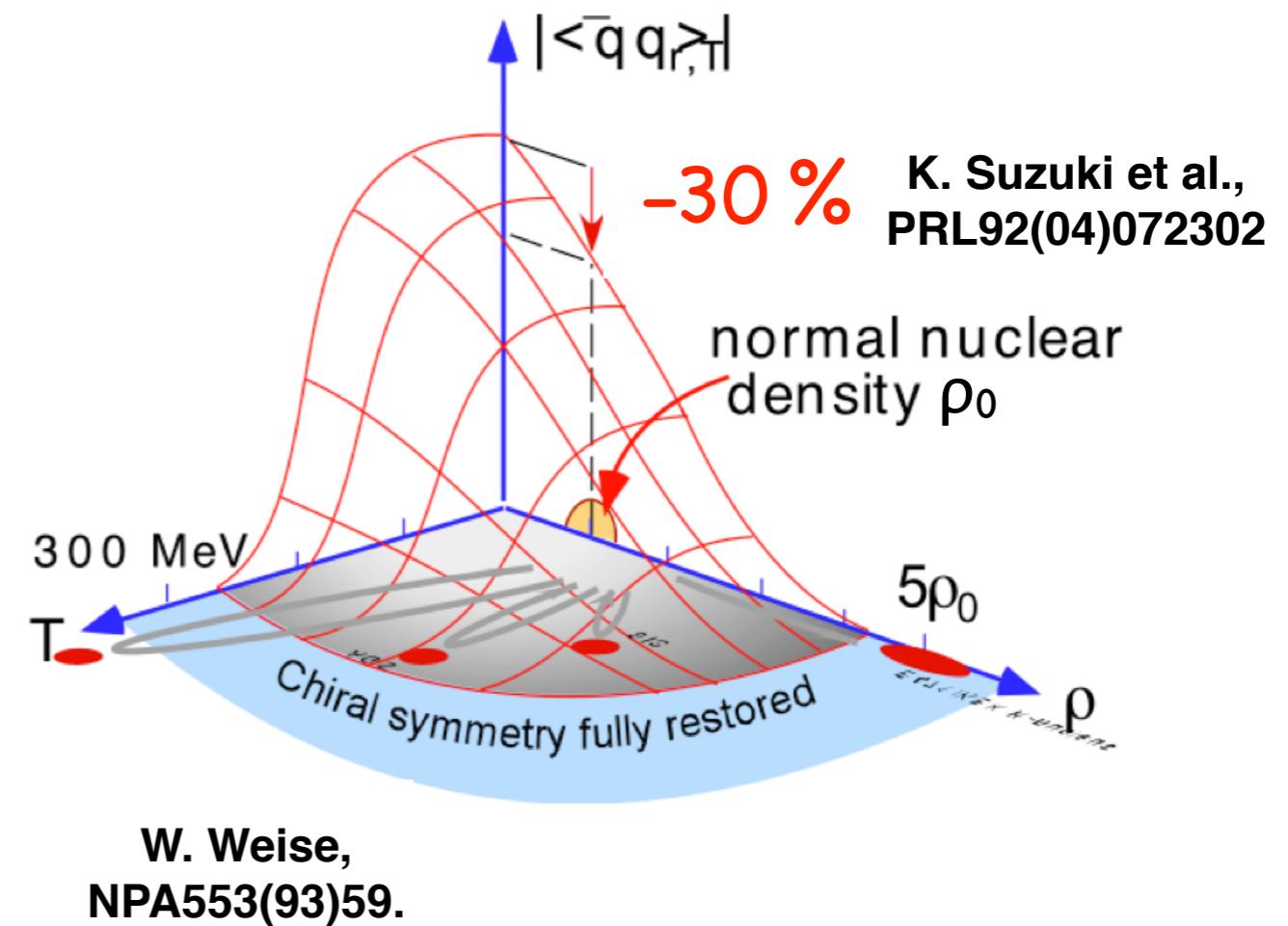


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- Mass reduction expected e.g., NJL model calculation
→ **150 MeV/c²** mass reduction



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P.Costa et al.,PLB560,
(2003) 171.
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in-medium mass and width

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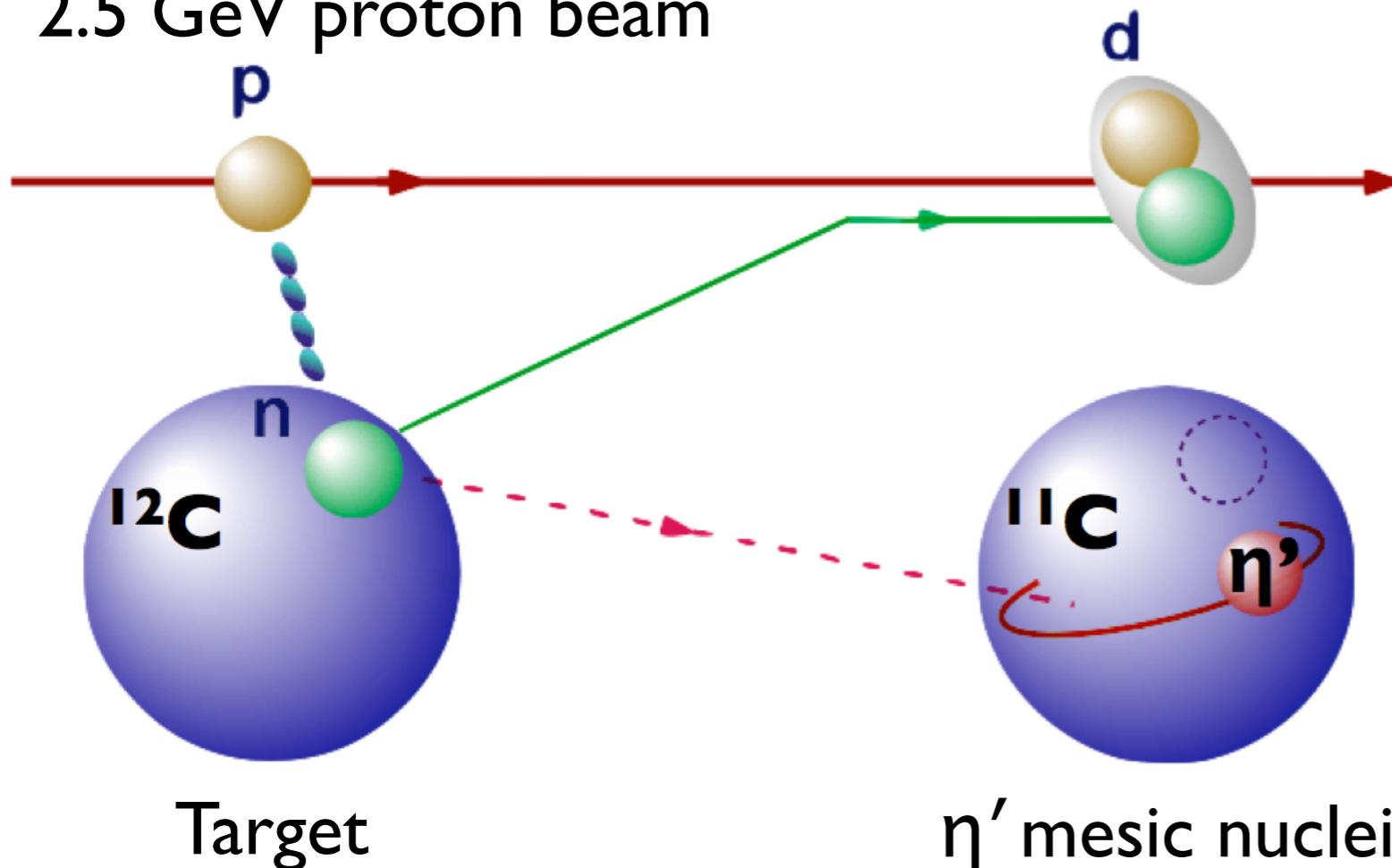
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$|W_0| < \text{possible potential depth } |V_0|$

\rightarrow possibility for observing η' meson-nucleus bound states (η' mesic nuclei) experimentally

Missing mass spectroscopy of (p,d) reaction

2.5 GeV proton beam



momentum measurement
by Fragment Separator

missing-mass spectrum

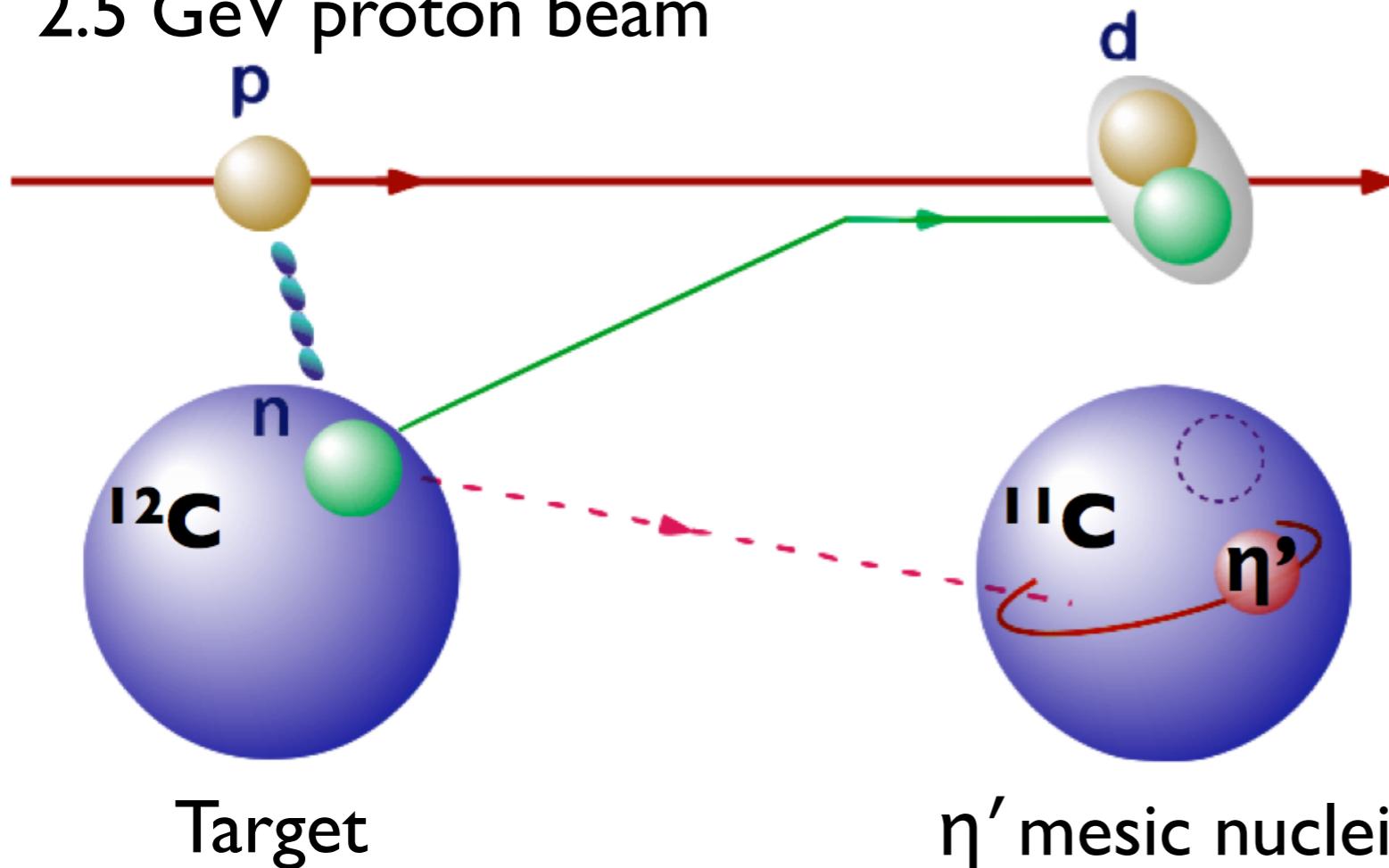
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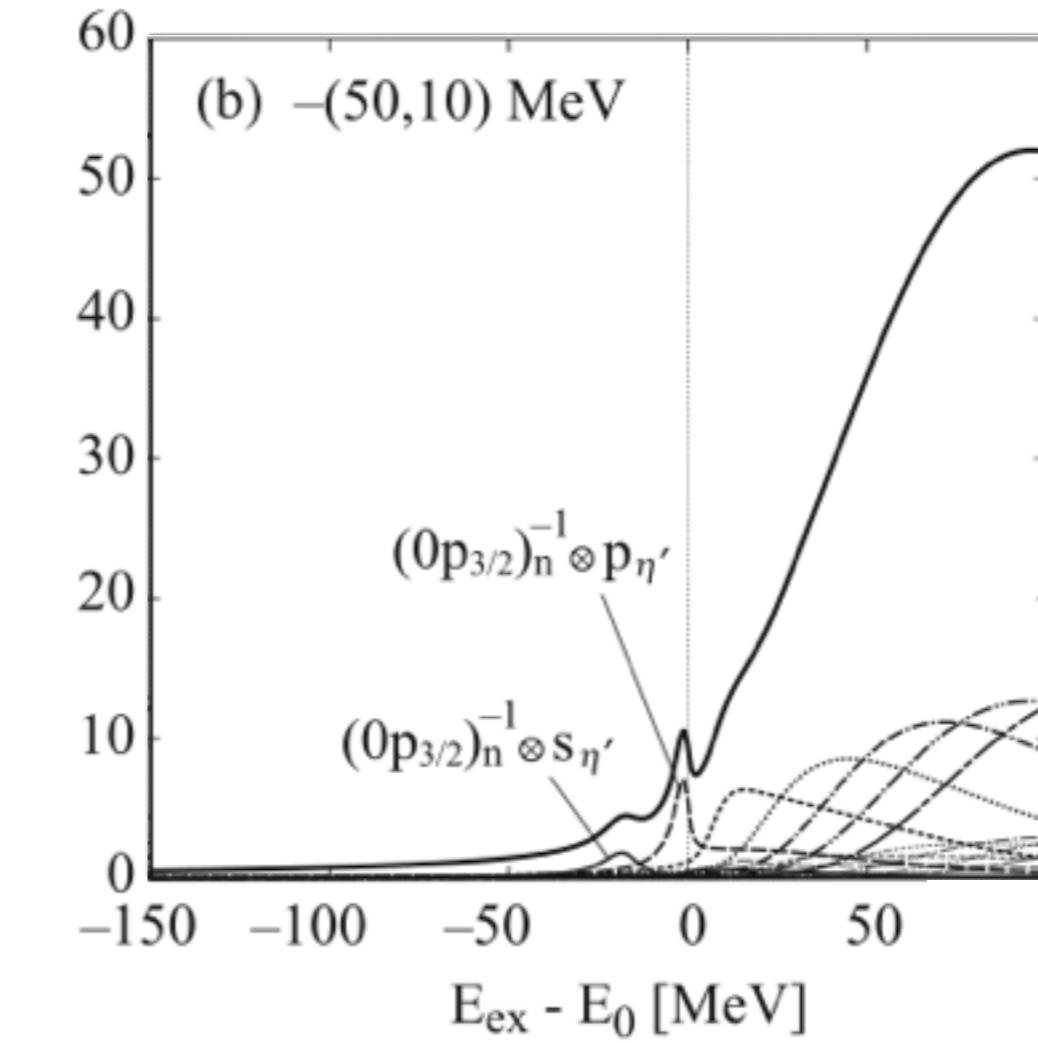
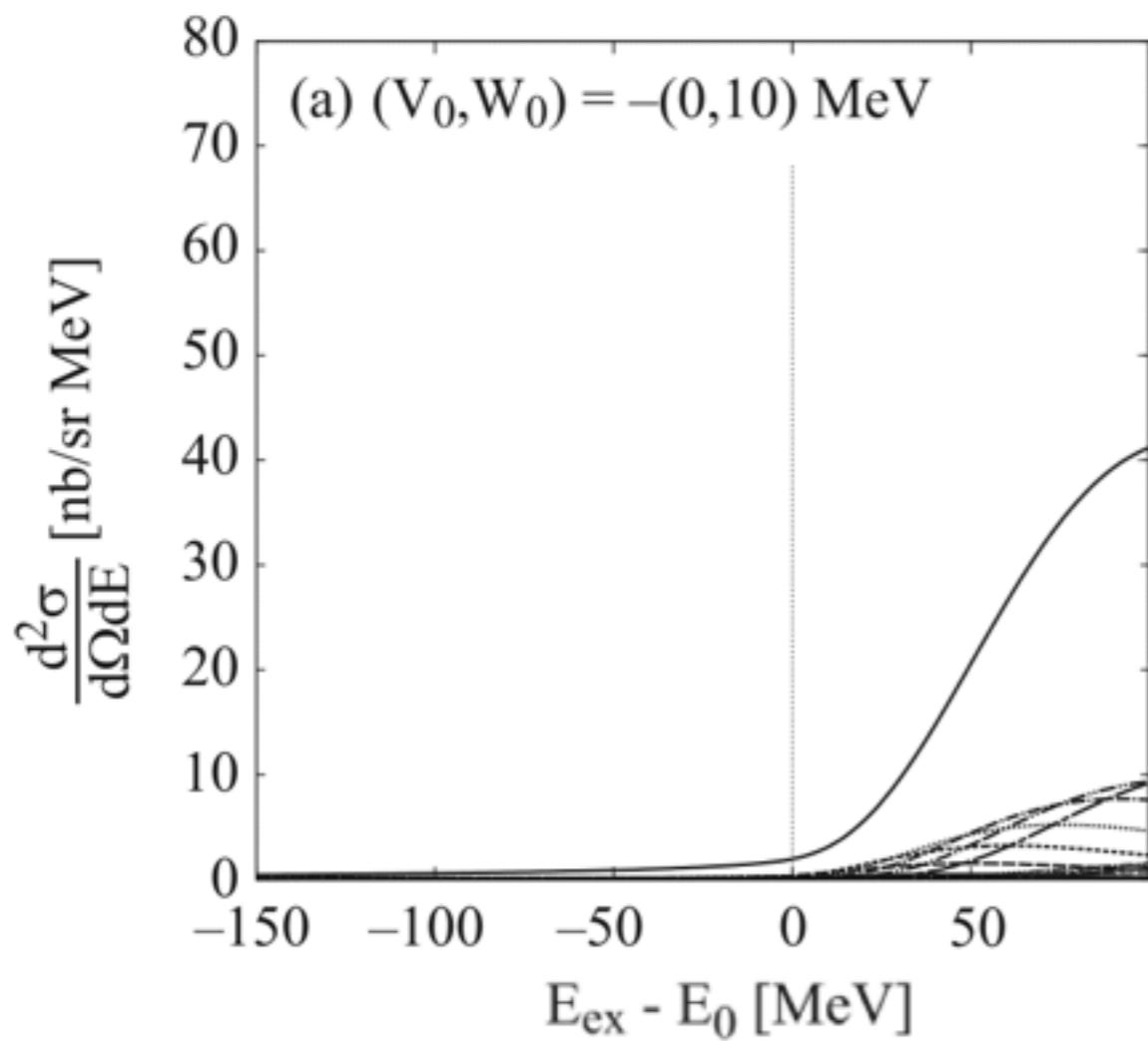
High-statistics measurement is essential
using high-intensity beam + thick target

Theoretical cross section of $^{12}\text{C}(p,d)^{11}\text{C} \times n'$

- Green's function method
- proton energy 2.5 GeV,
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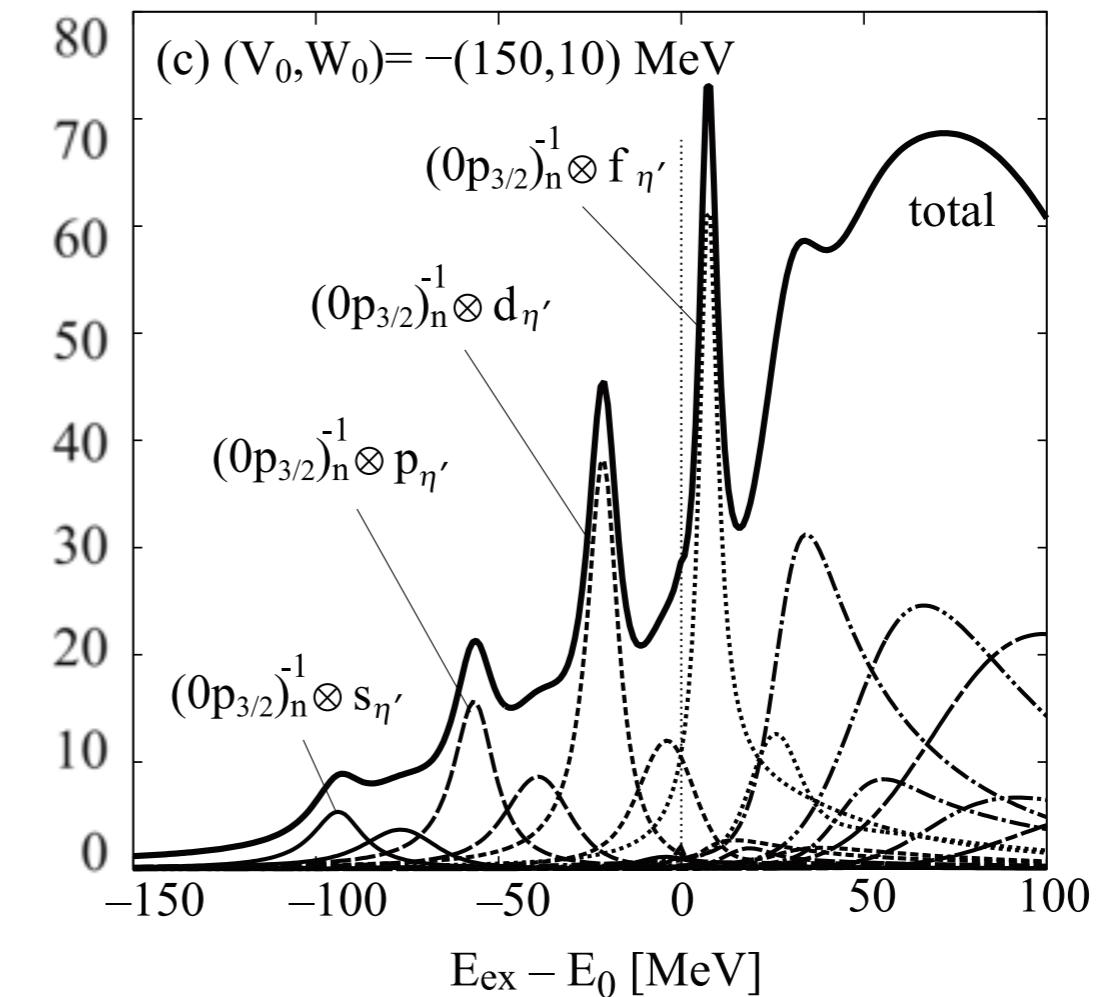
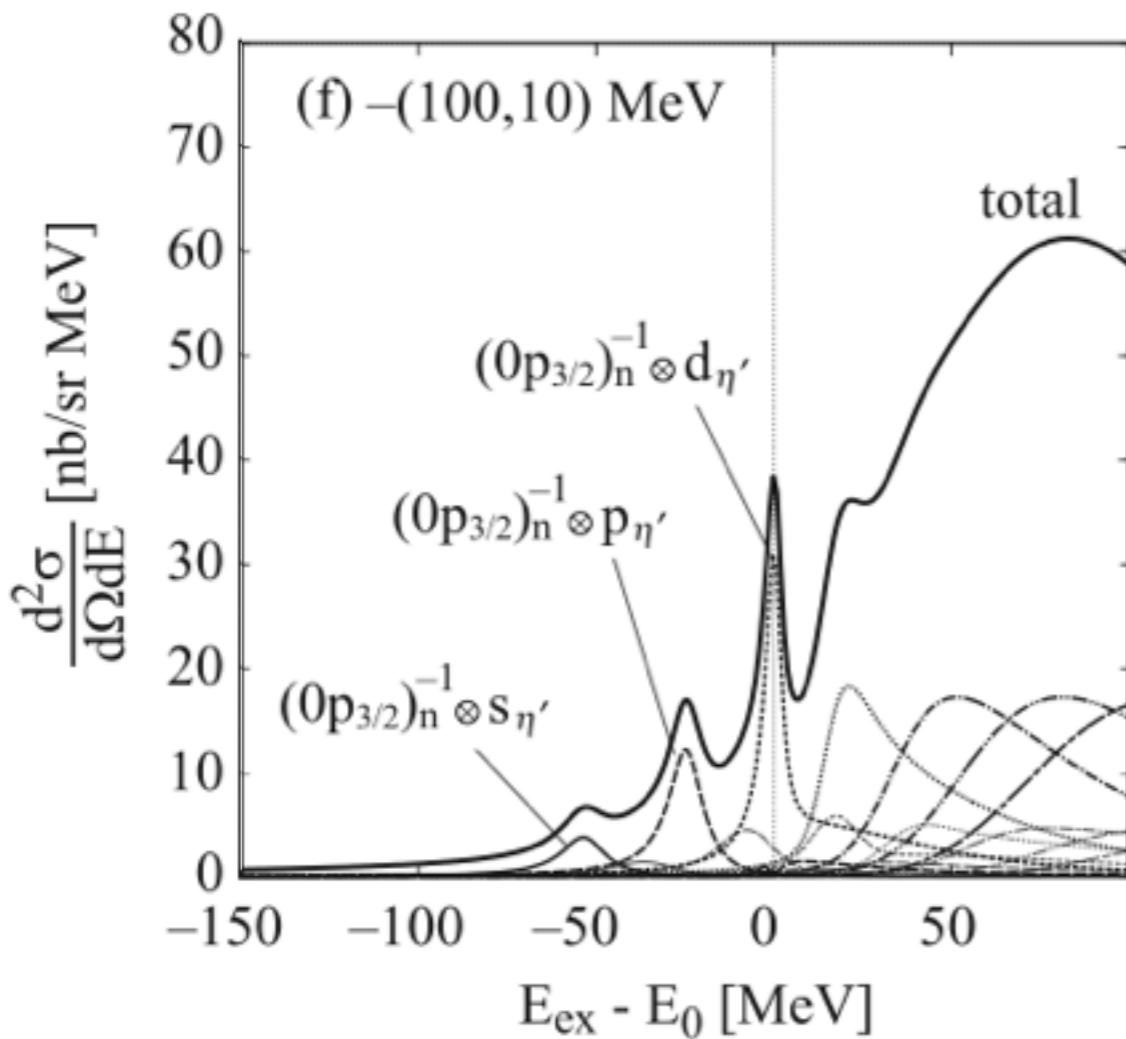
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Simulation of inclusive measurement

Simulated spectra of inclusive measurement assuming 4.5 day DAQ

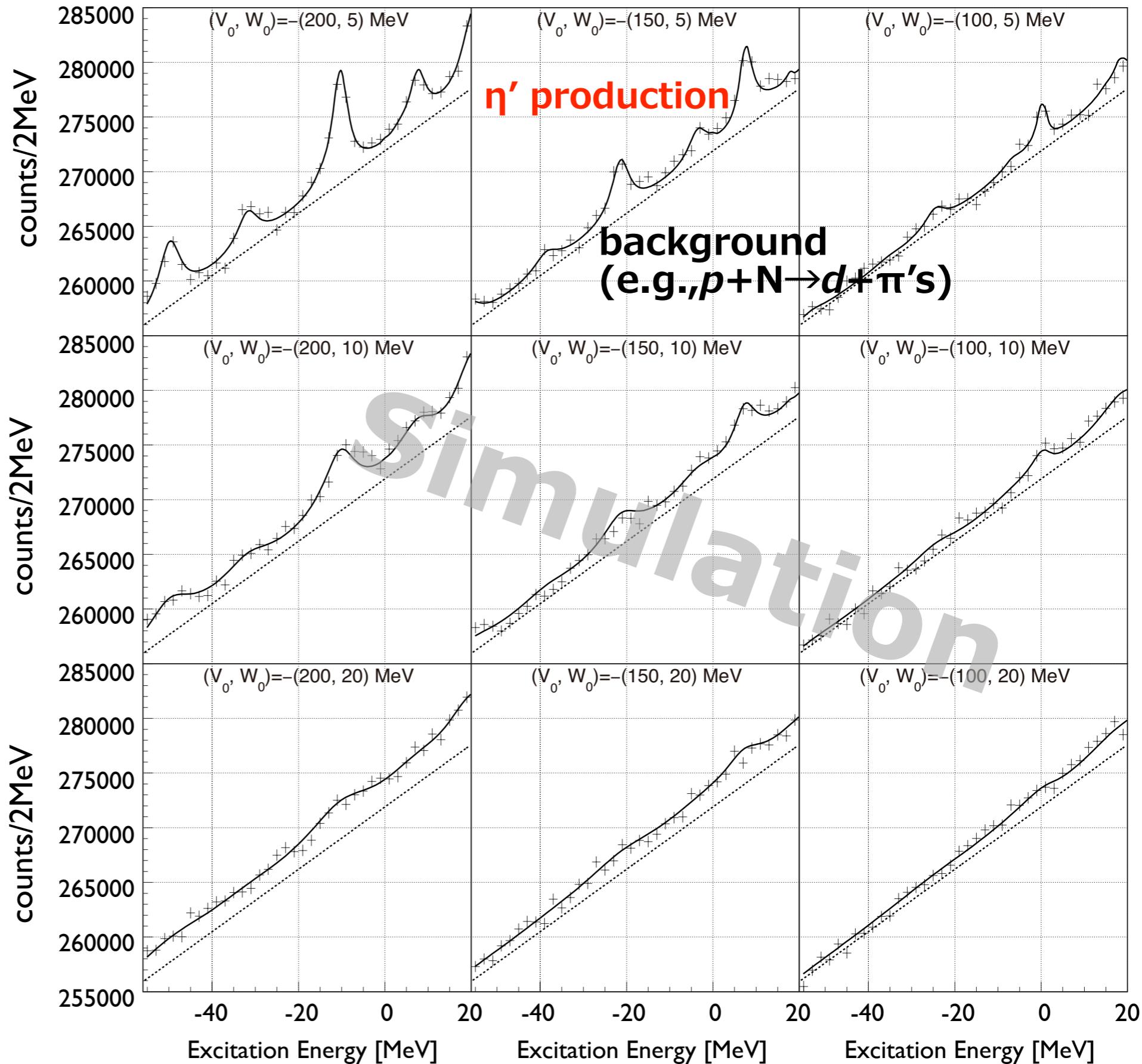
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V_0, W_0 :
real, imaginary part
of optical potential

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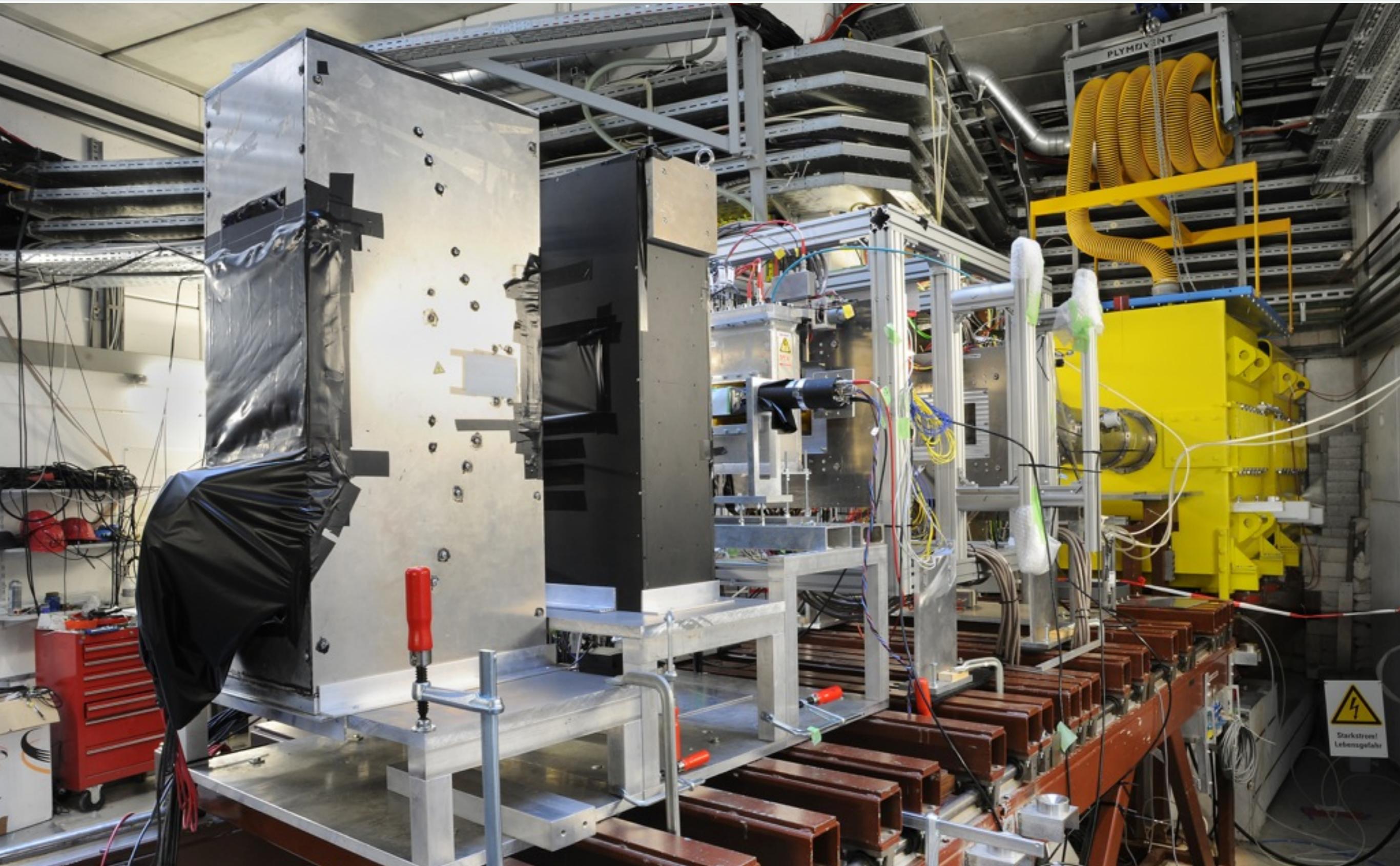
$$(V_0 = \Delta m(\rho_0), W_0 = -\Gamma(\rho_0)/2)$$

S/N ratio $\sim O(1/100)$
at most

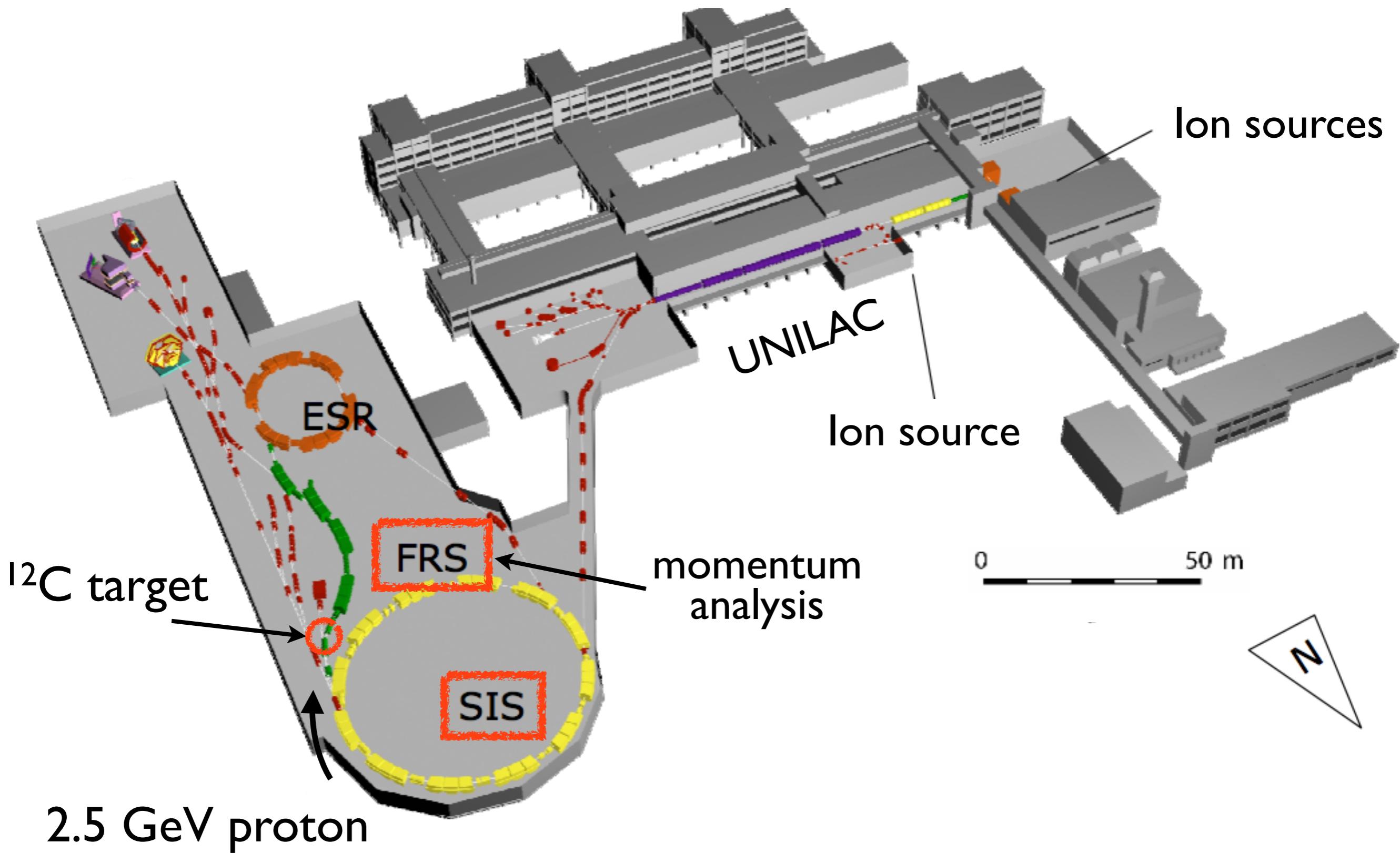


First experiment at GSI (2014 Aug.)

in a framework of the Super-FRS collaboration for FAIR

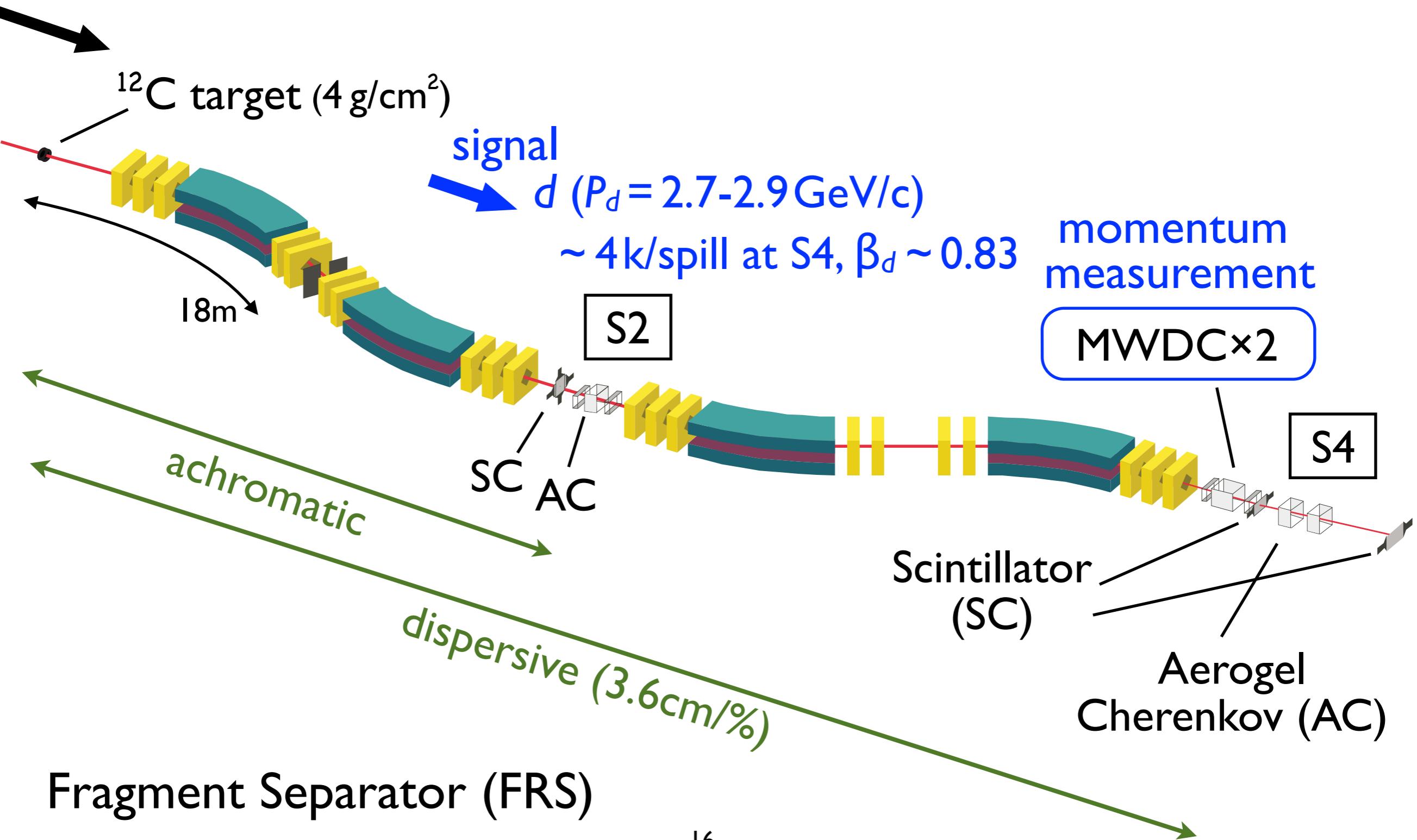


GSI facilities

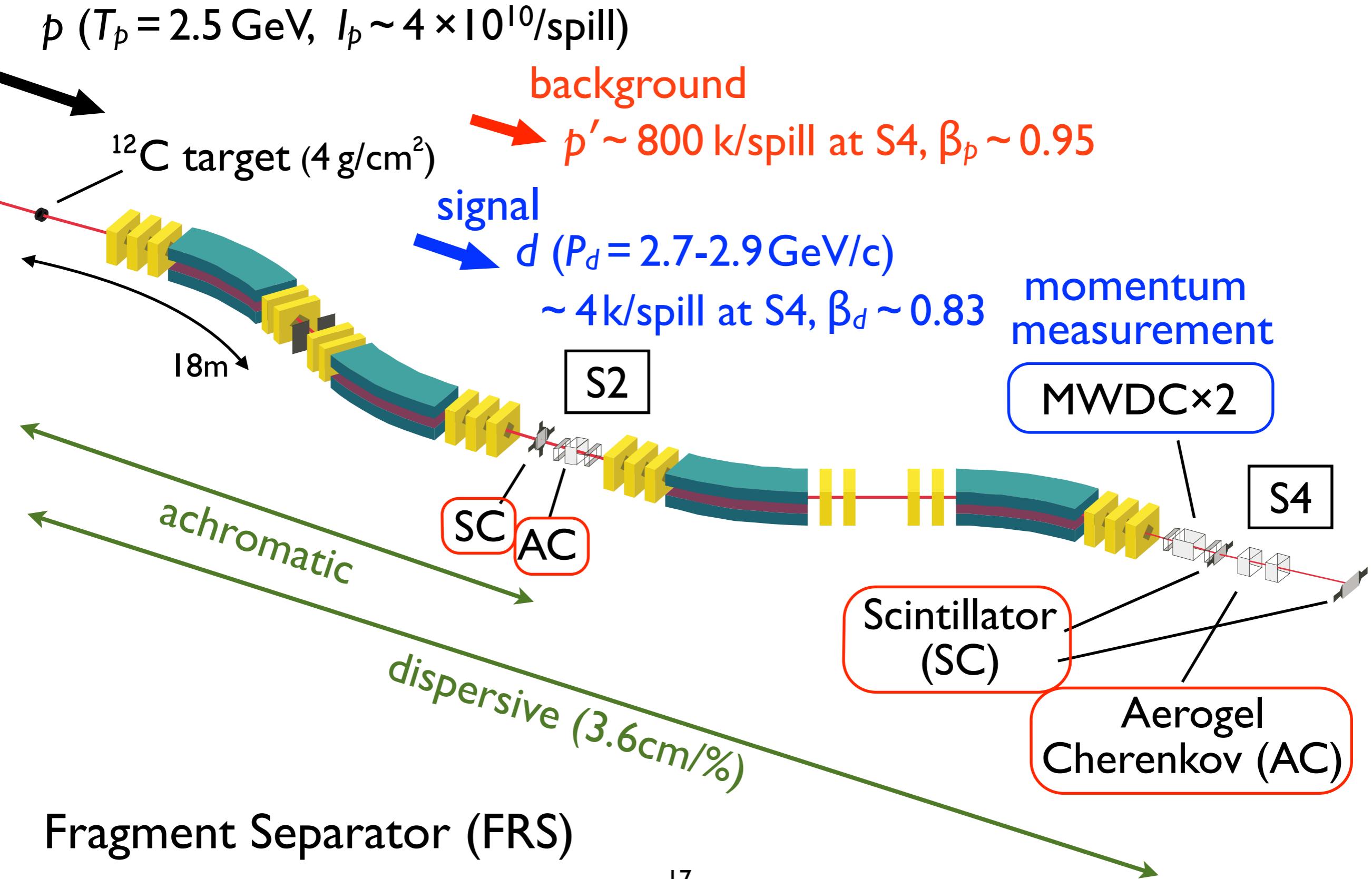


Experimental setup at FRS

p ($T_p = 2.5 \text{ GeV}$, $I_p \sim 4 \times 10^{10}/\text{spill}$)



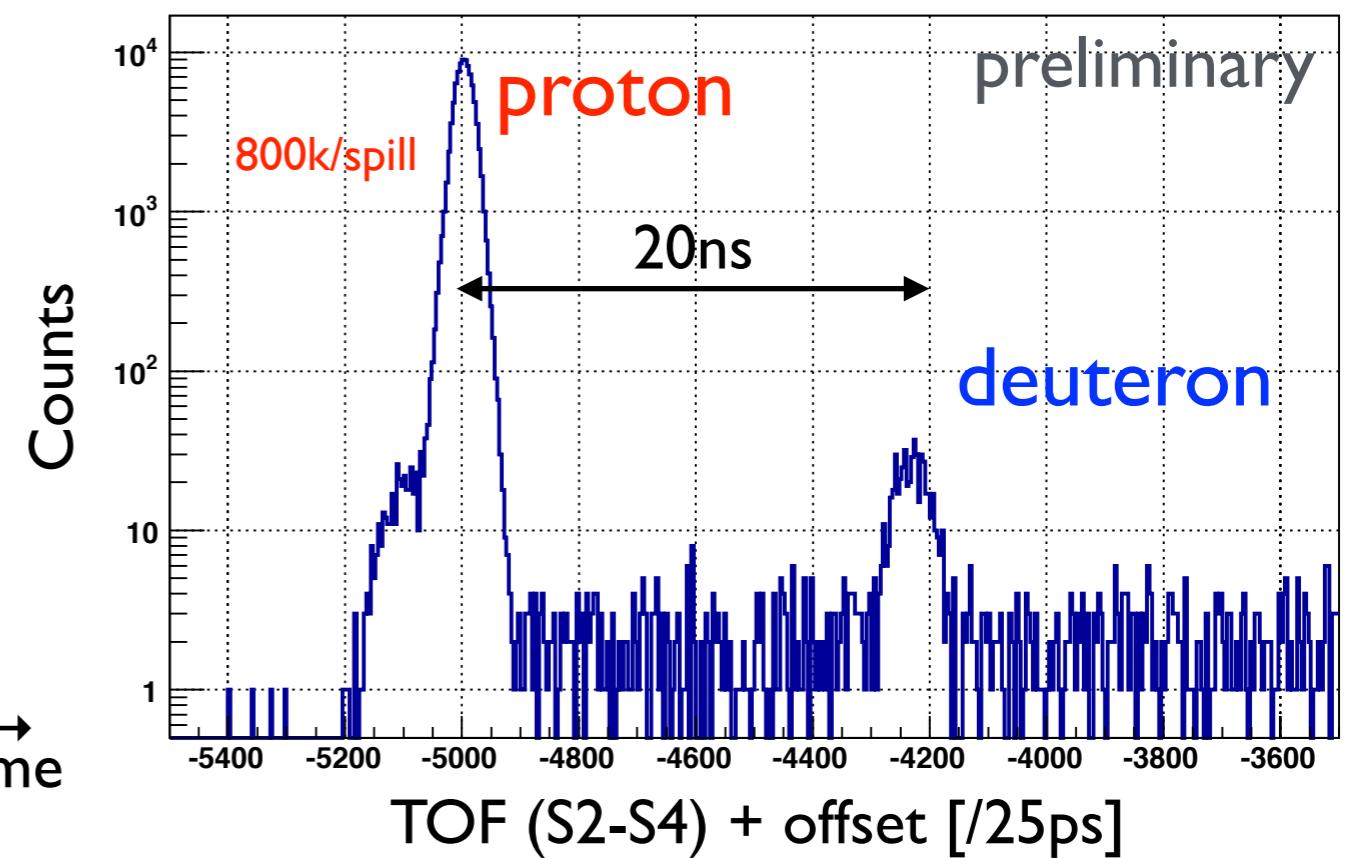
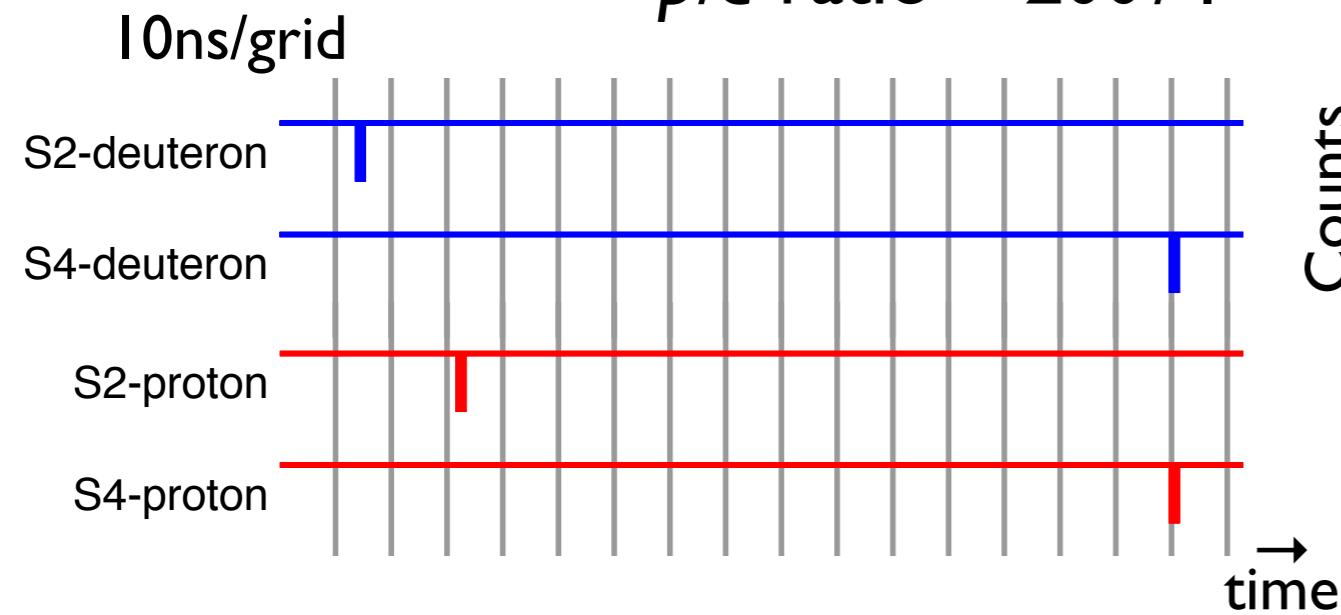
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Particle Identification

S2-S4 TOF (unbiased)

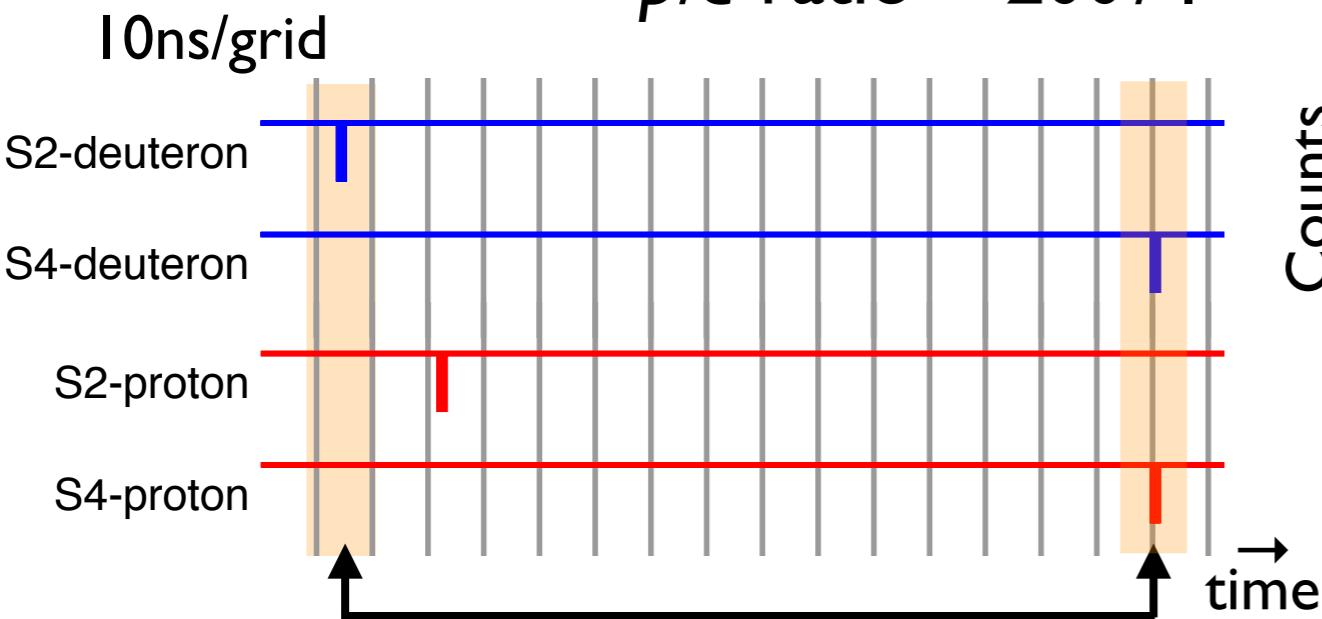
p/d ratio $\sim 200 / 1$



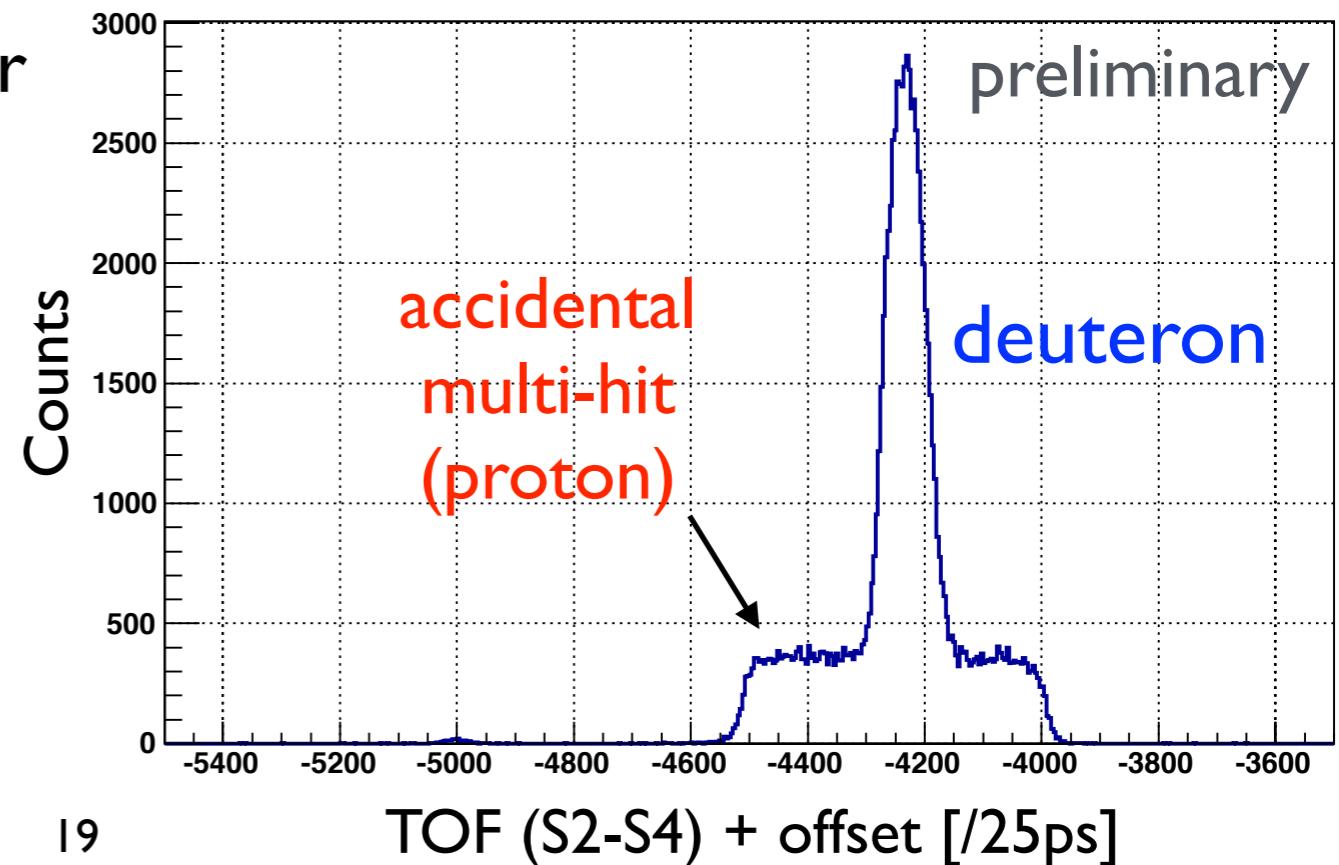
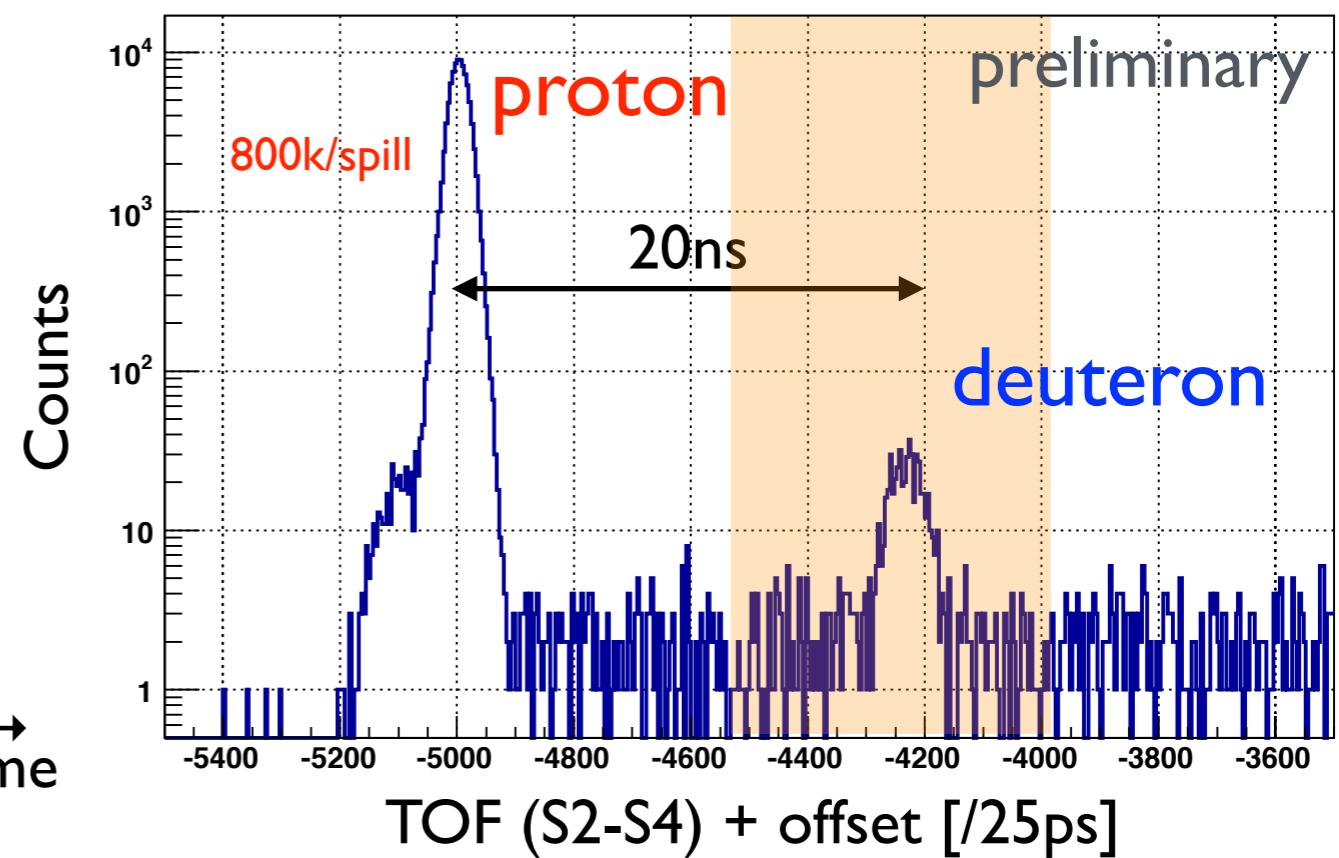
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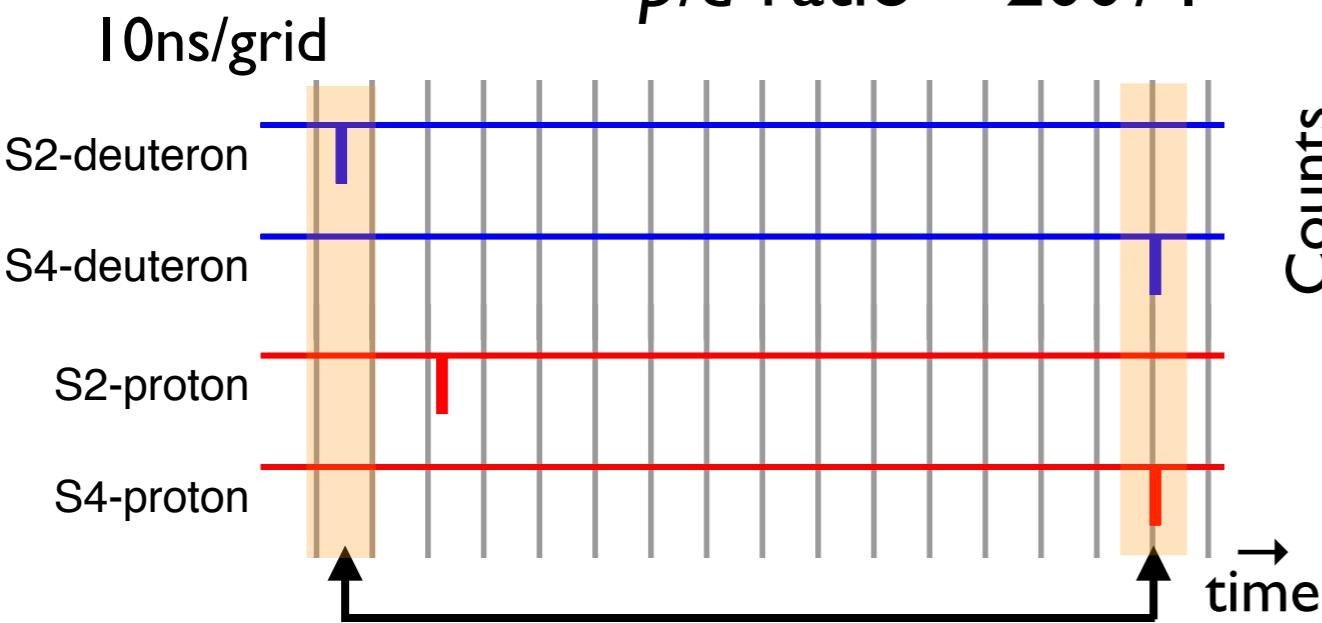
with hardware TOF trigger
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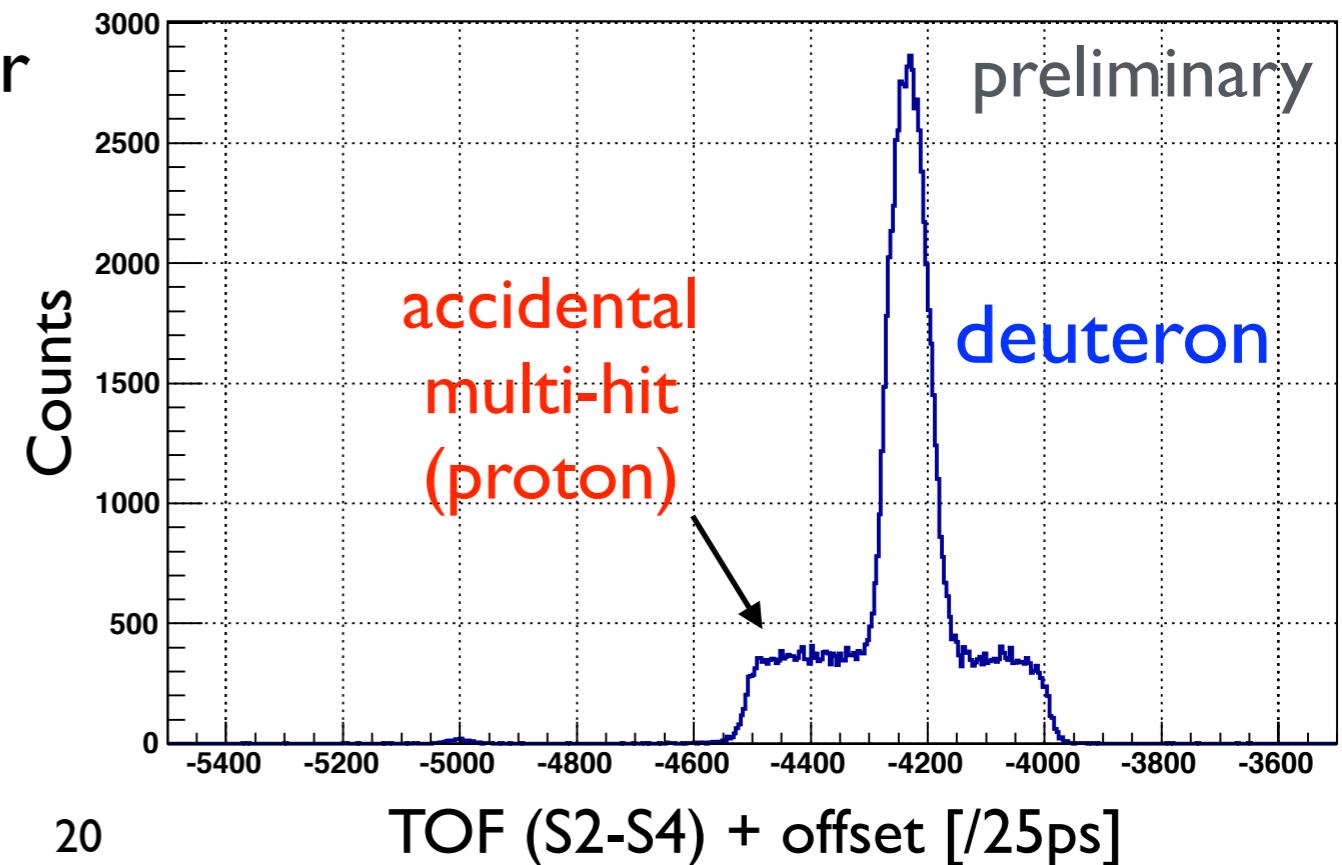
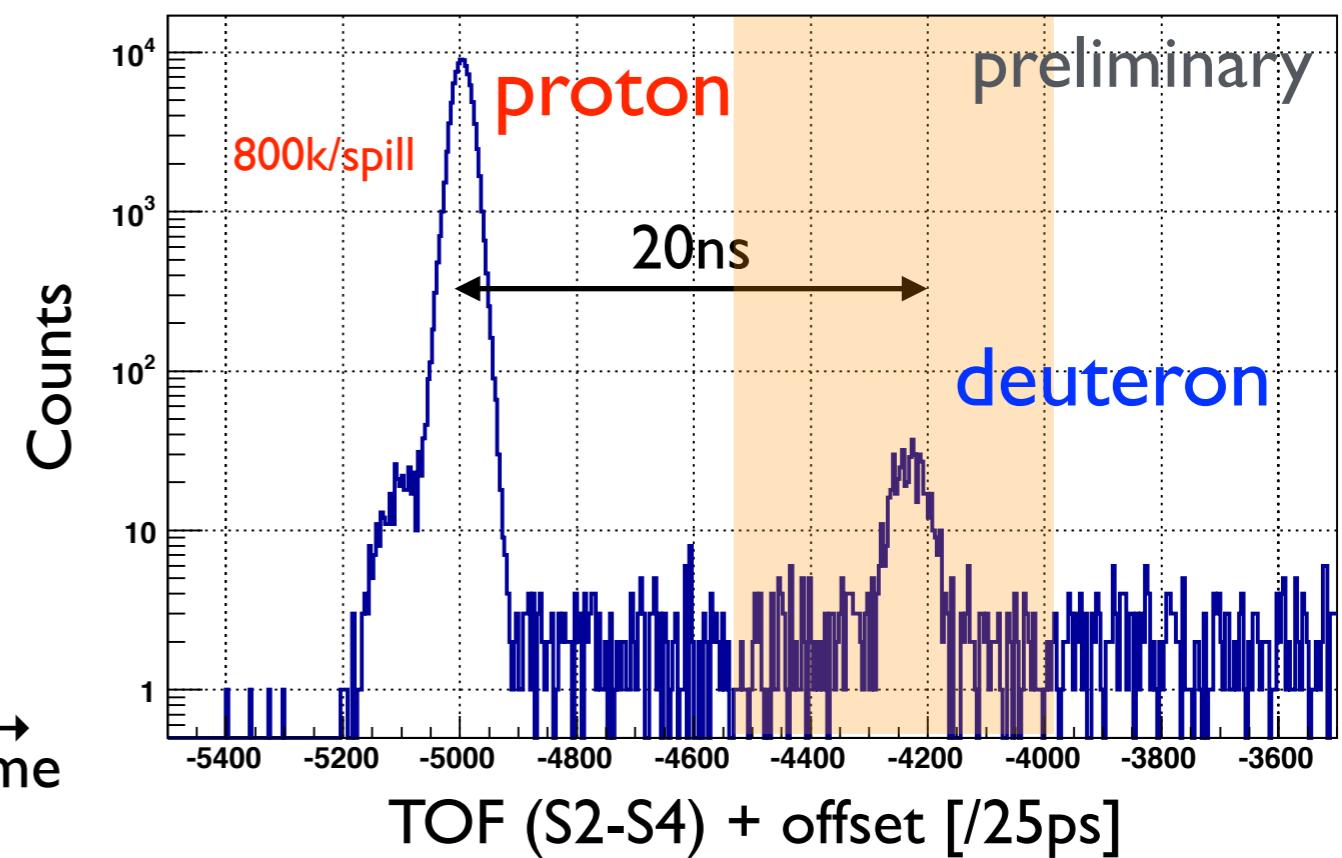
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99.5 % of BG protons were rejected by TOF trigger without using Aerogel Čerenkov detector

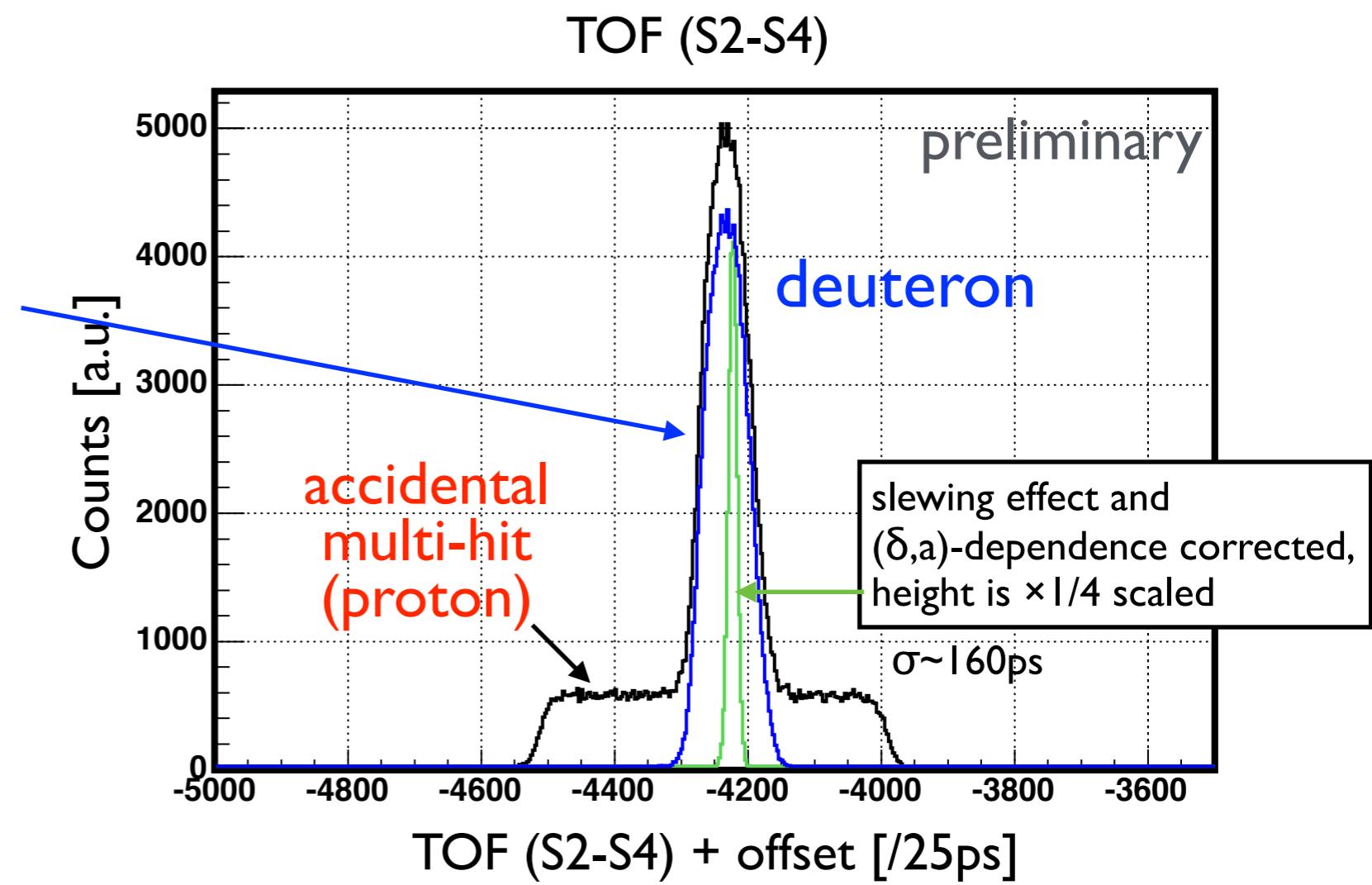
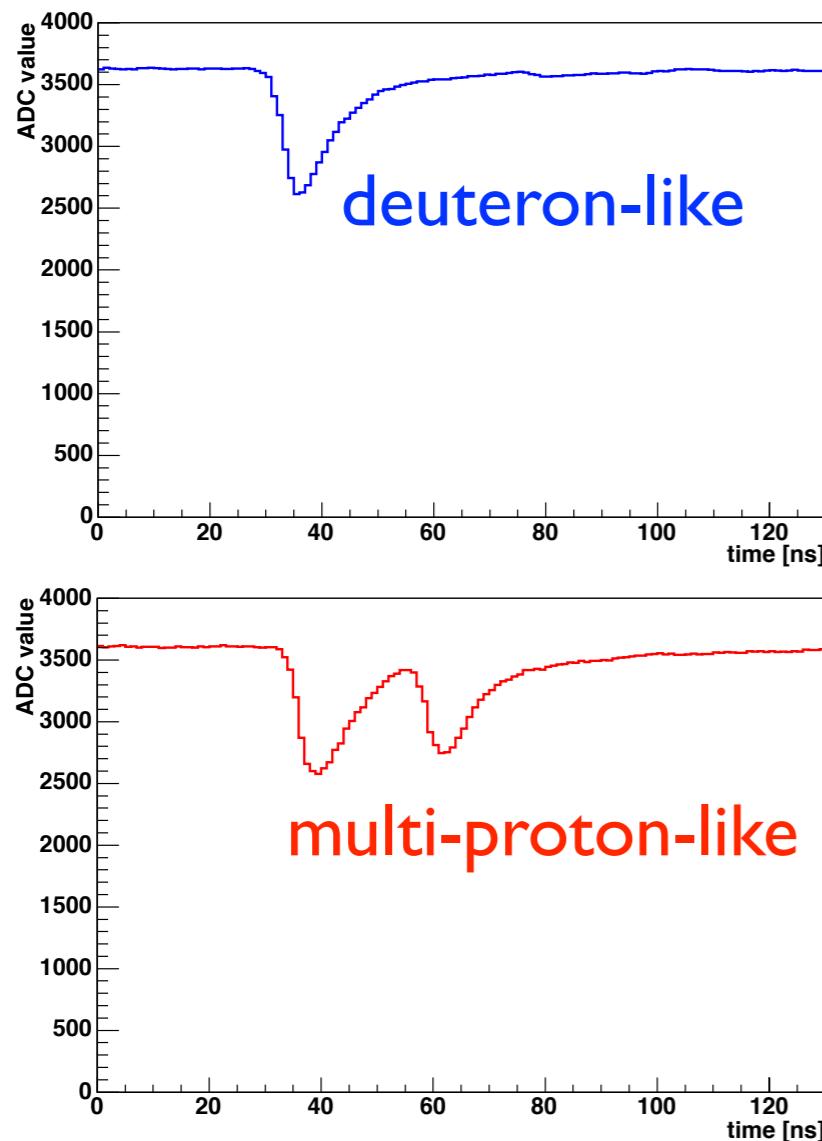


Particle Identification

Further rejection of the accidental multi-proton in offline analysis

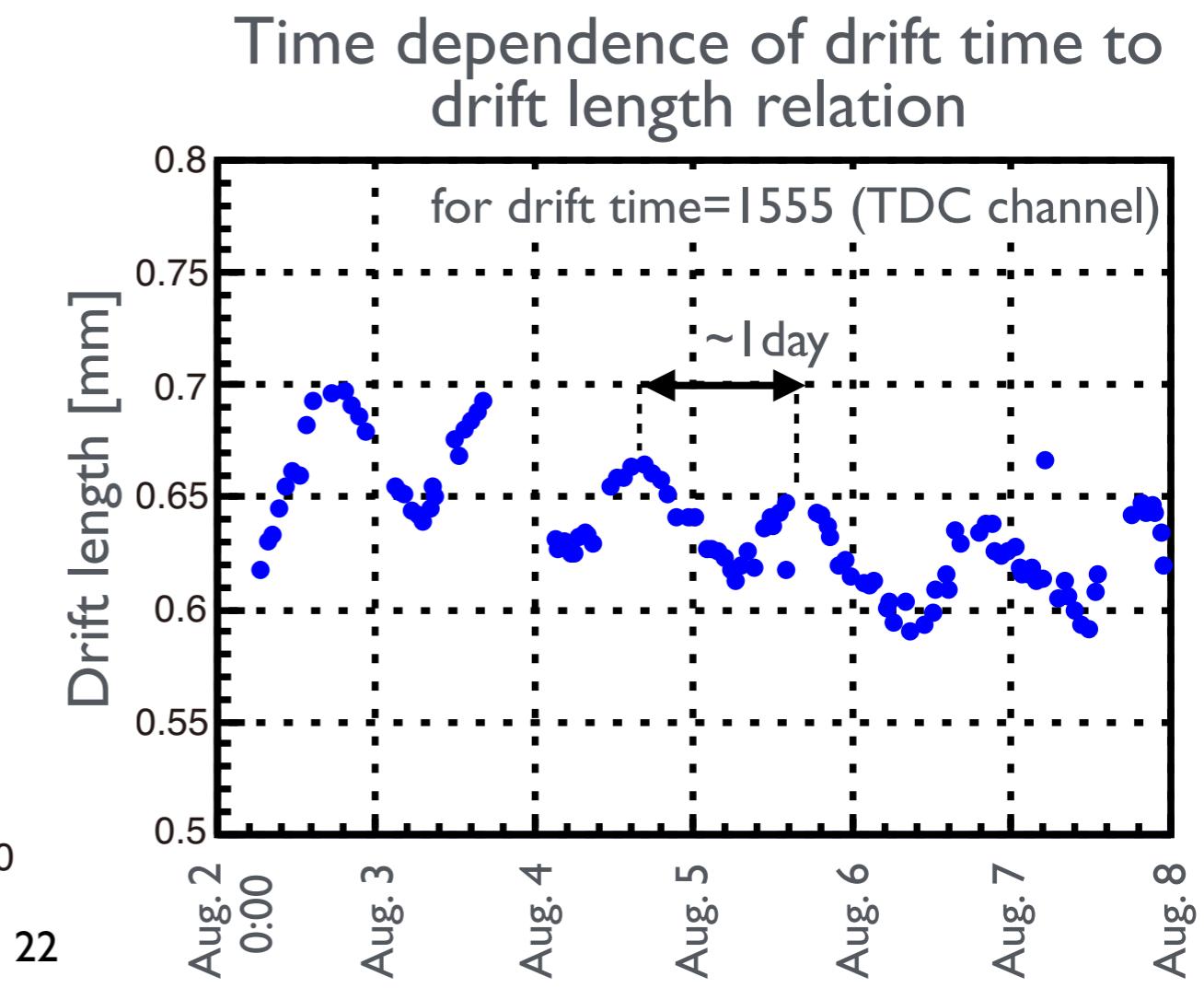
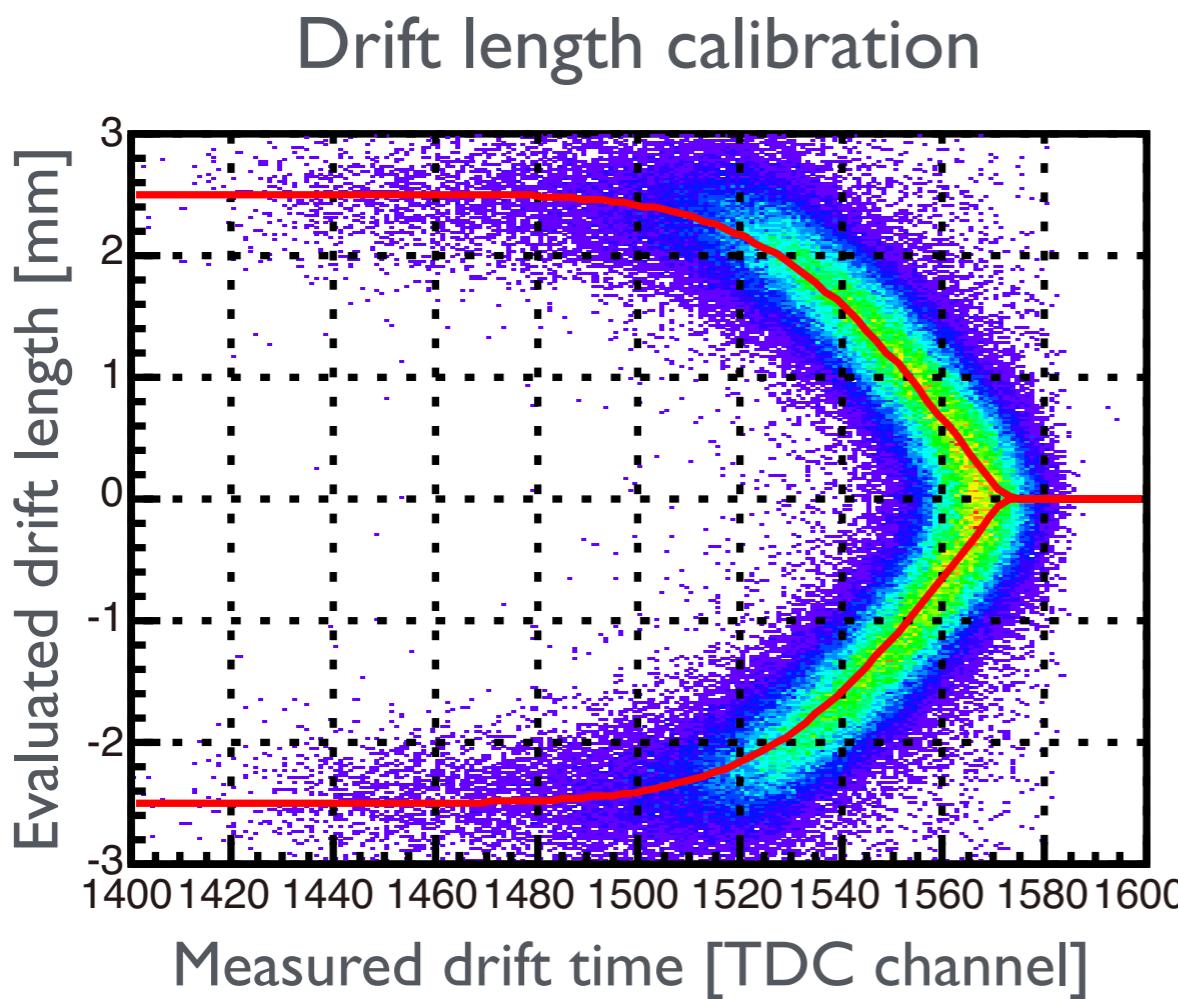
- Single pulse selection by waveform analysis
 - Cut condition for corrected TOF (S2-S4)
- proton contamination is sufficiently small

Examples of waveform of SC at S2

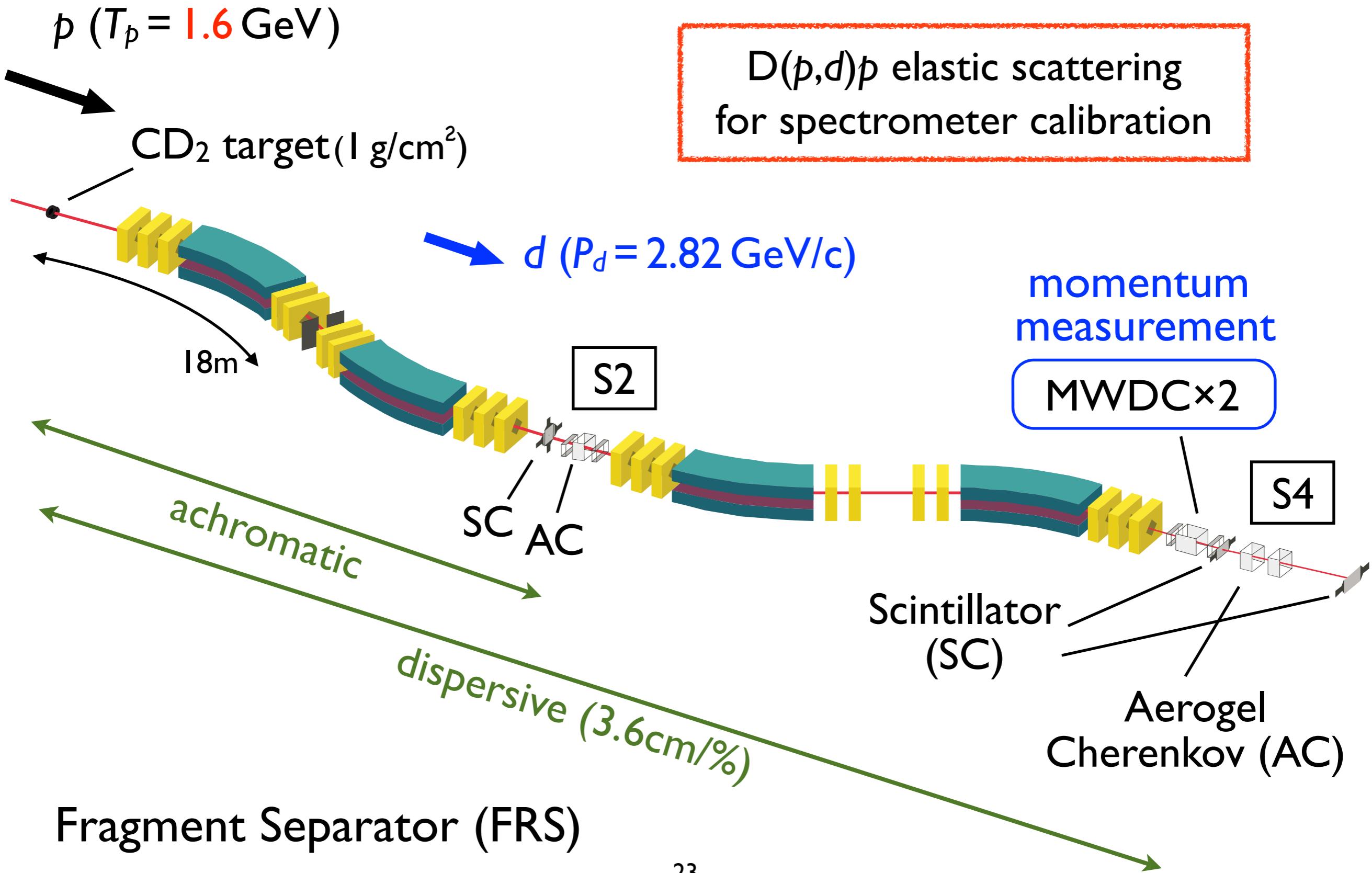


MWDC Analysis

- MWDC(XX'XX'UU'VV') $\times 2$ were used.
- Tracking :
drift time (measured) \rightarrow drift length $\rightarrow \chi^2$ fitting for 2 MWDCs
- Iterative analysis for calibration :
temporary drift length \rightarrow tracking \rightarrow evaluate and update drift length
- Time dependence of relation between drift time and drift length

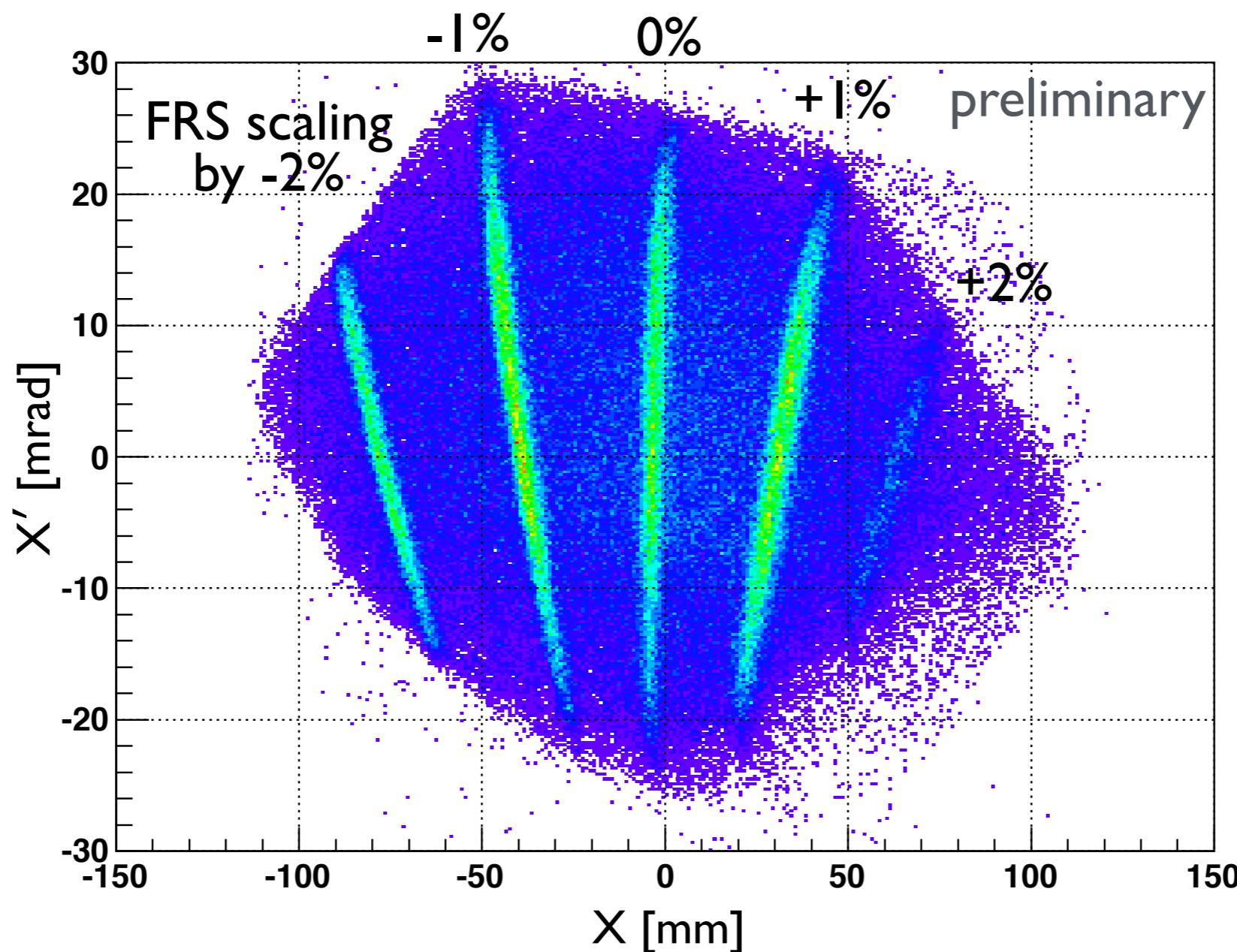


Spectrometer Calibration



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X (horizontal position) - X' (angle) by MWDC

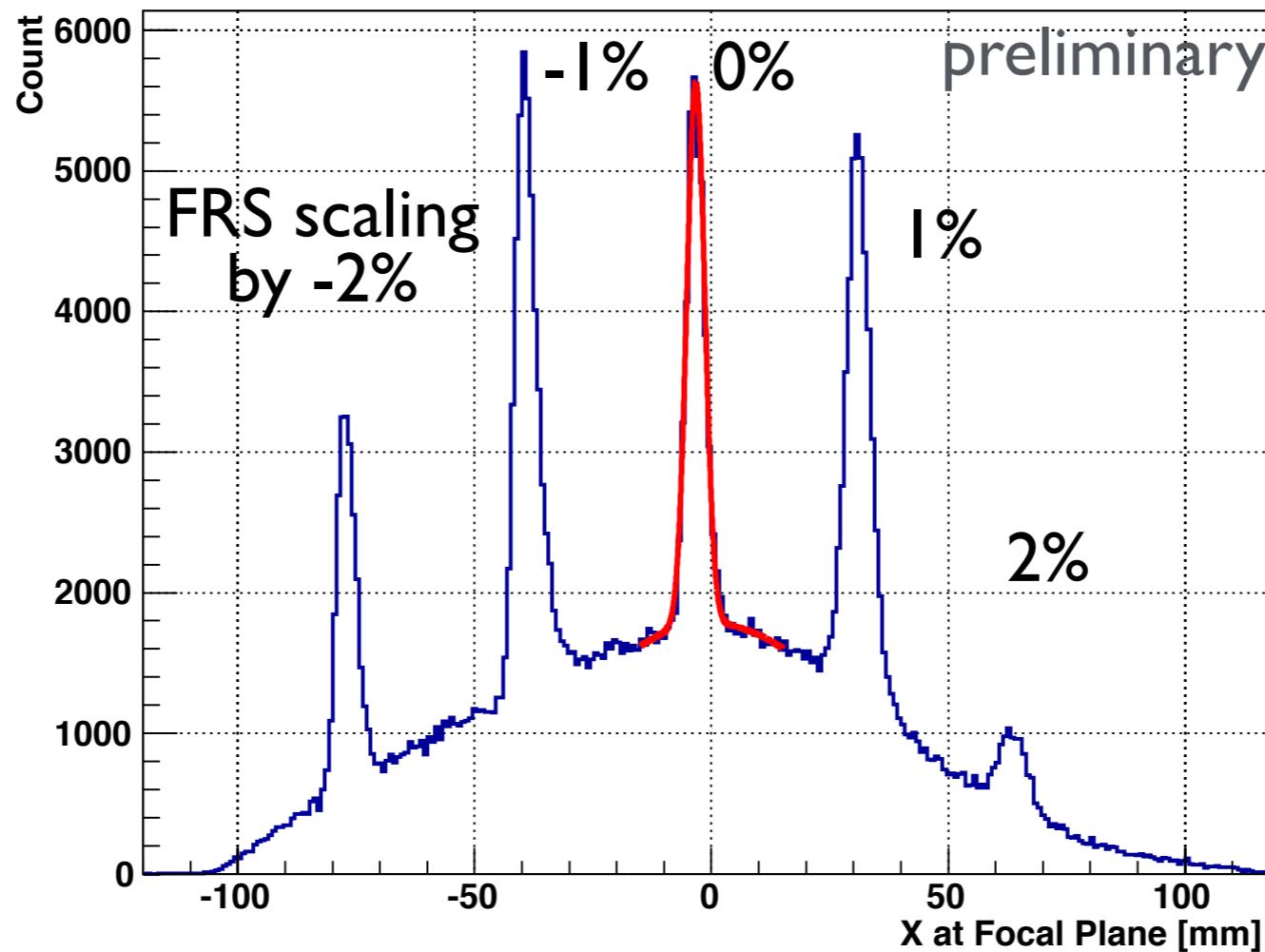


- the whole system is working well
- ion-optical information (focus, dispersion, higher-order aberration)

$\rightarrow (x|a), (x|\delta), (x|a\delta), (x|aa), \dots$

Spectrometer Calibration

Focal plane position (online, ion-optics roughly corrected)



$\sigma_x = 2.7 \text{ mm}$ (CD₂ calibration run)



- energy loss and straggling calculation
- spectrometer momentum resolution
- beam momentum spread

Expected resolution : $\sigma_{\text{missing mass}} \sim 2 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ (production run)

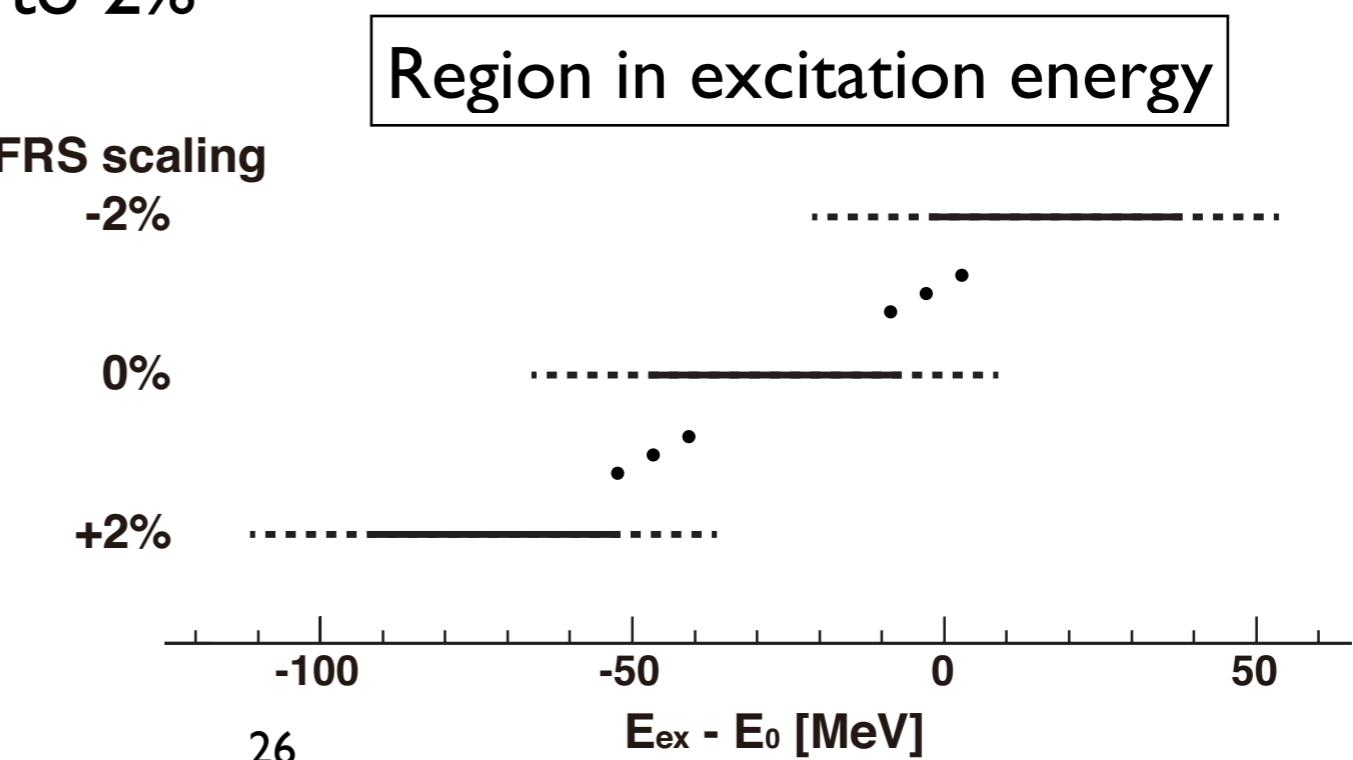
Run Summary

Production run (~ 5 days)

- C(p,d) reaction at $T_p=2.5$ GeV
with $\sim 4 \times 10^{10}$ /spill proton beam and 4 g/cm^2 C target
- scaling FRS $B\beta$ from -2% to 2% $\rightarrow -90\text{ MeV} < E_{\text{ex}} - E_0 < +40\text{ MeV}$ covered
- $(5-10) \times 10^6$ deuterons/setting were accumulated
- spectrometer calibration every 6 hours

Reference run (~ 0.5 day)

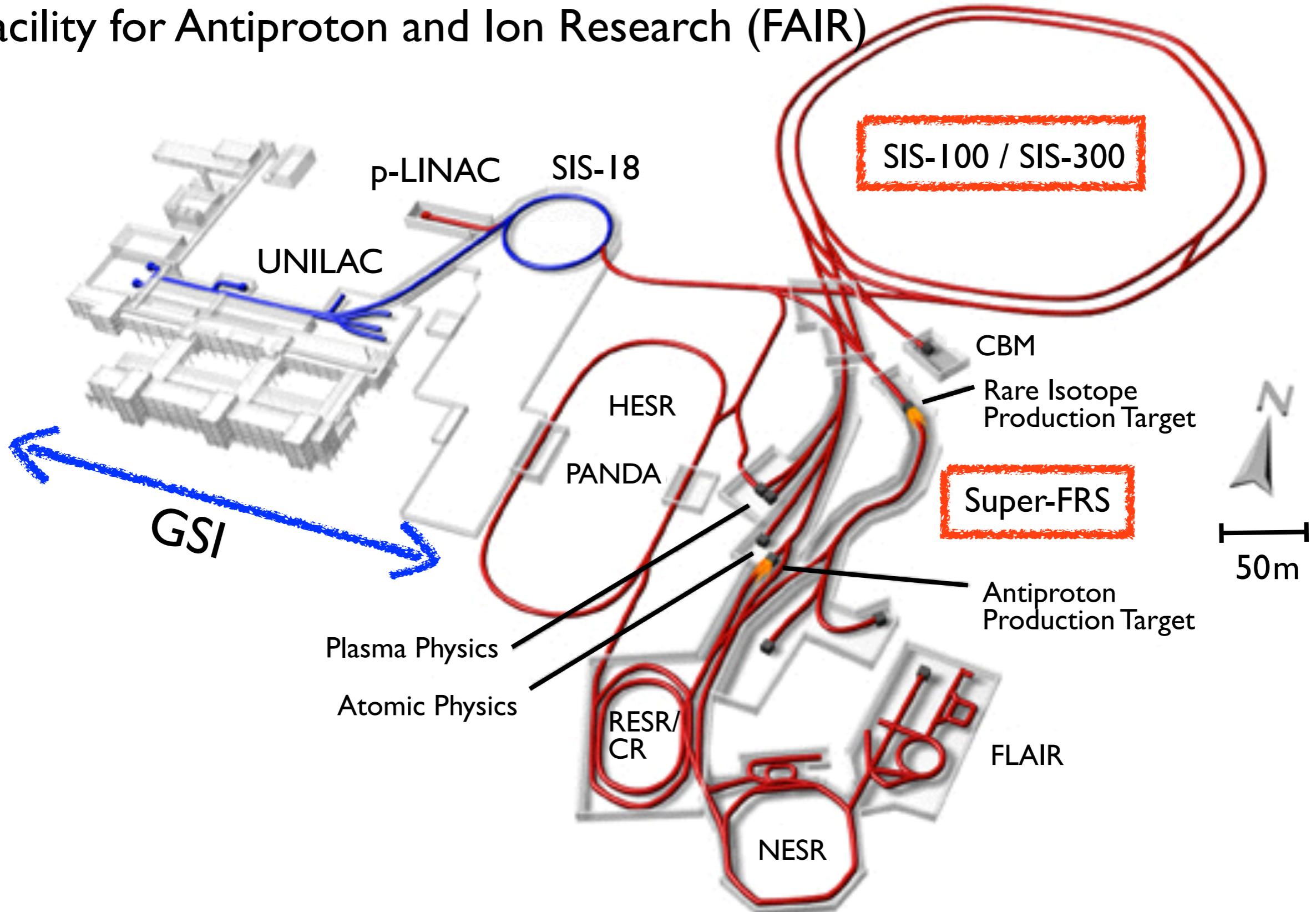
- production setting with CD_2 target, for D(p,d) spectrum
- for understanding background processes (e.g., $p + \text{N} \rightarrow d + \pi$'s)
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Future plan at FAIR

FAIR facilities

Facility for Antiproton and Ion Research (FAIR)

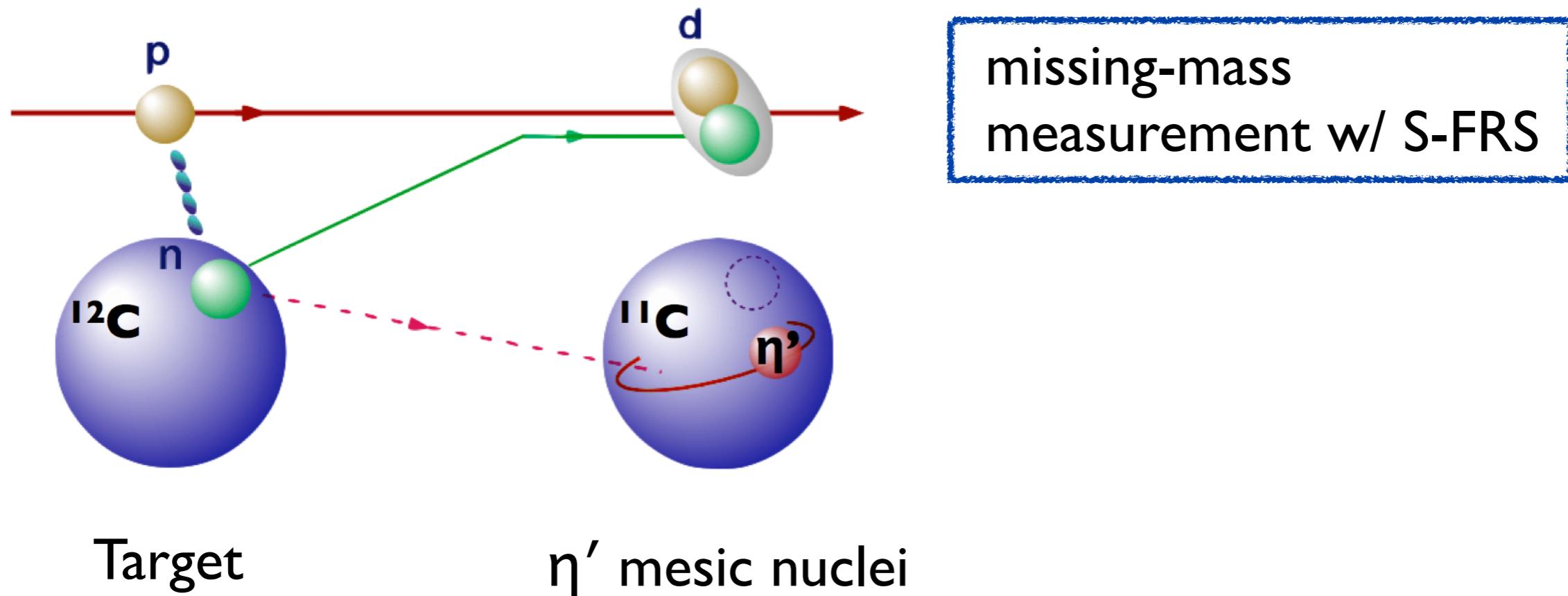


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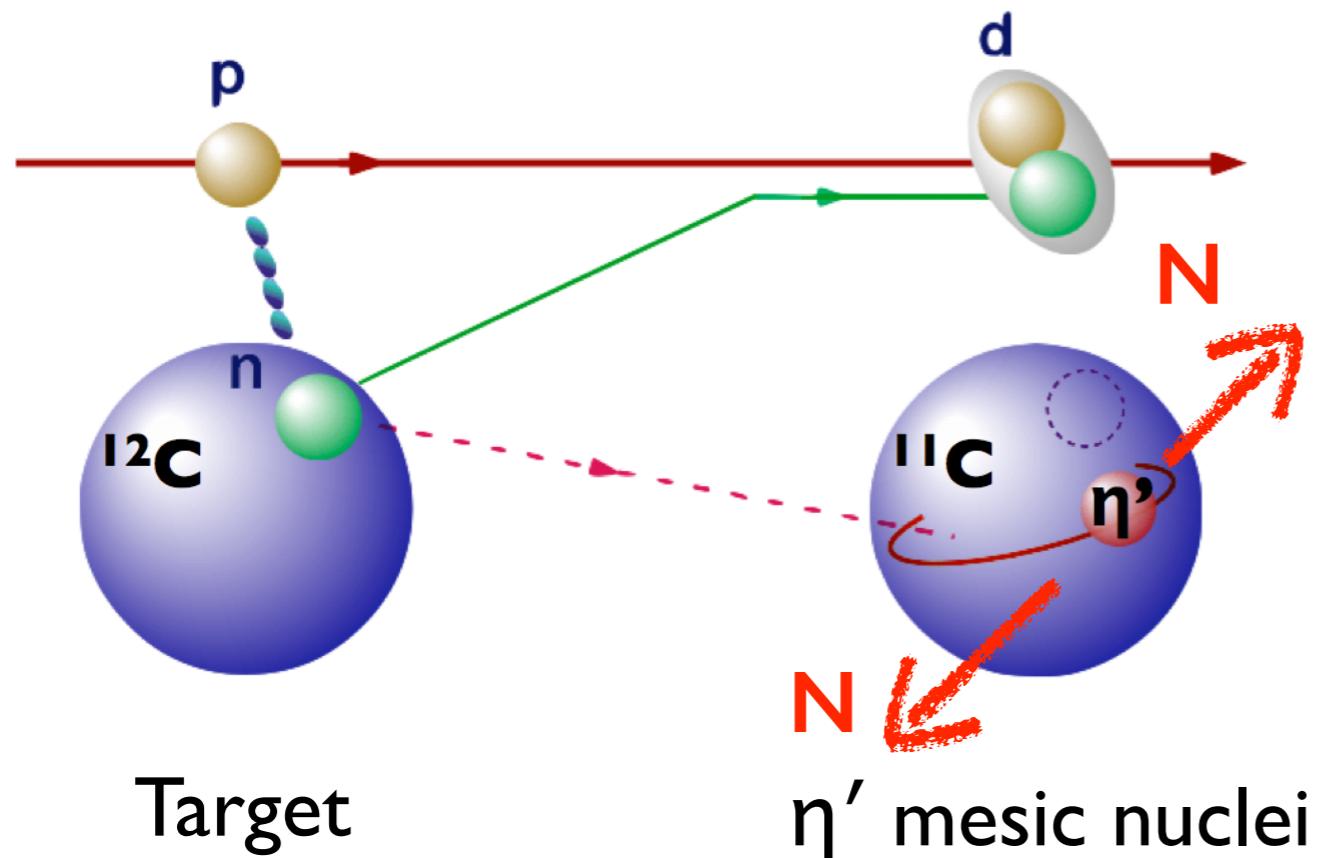


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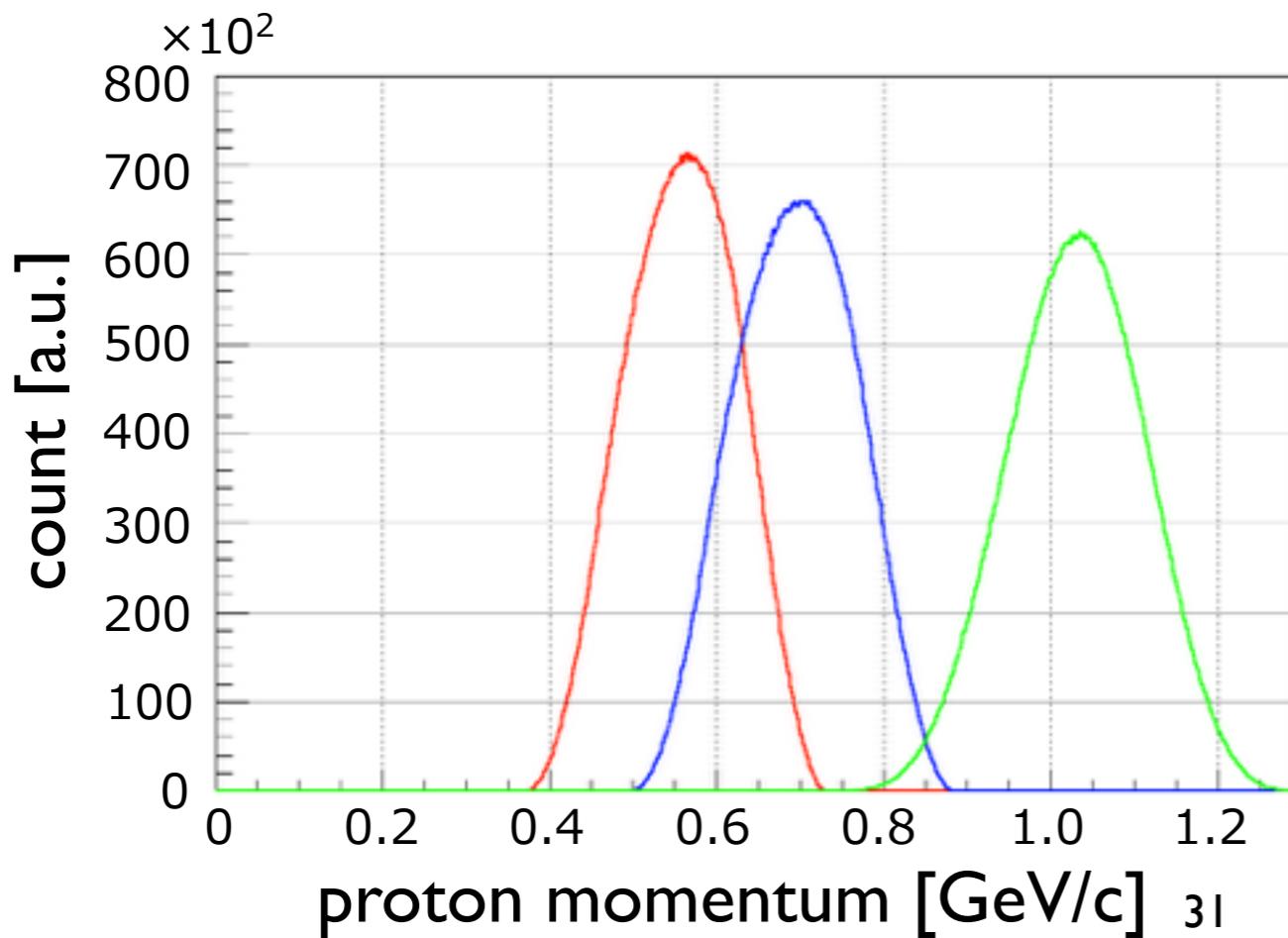
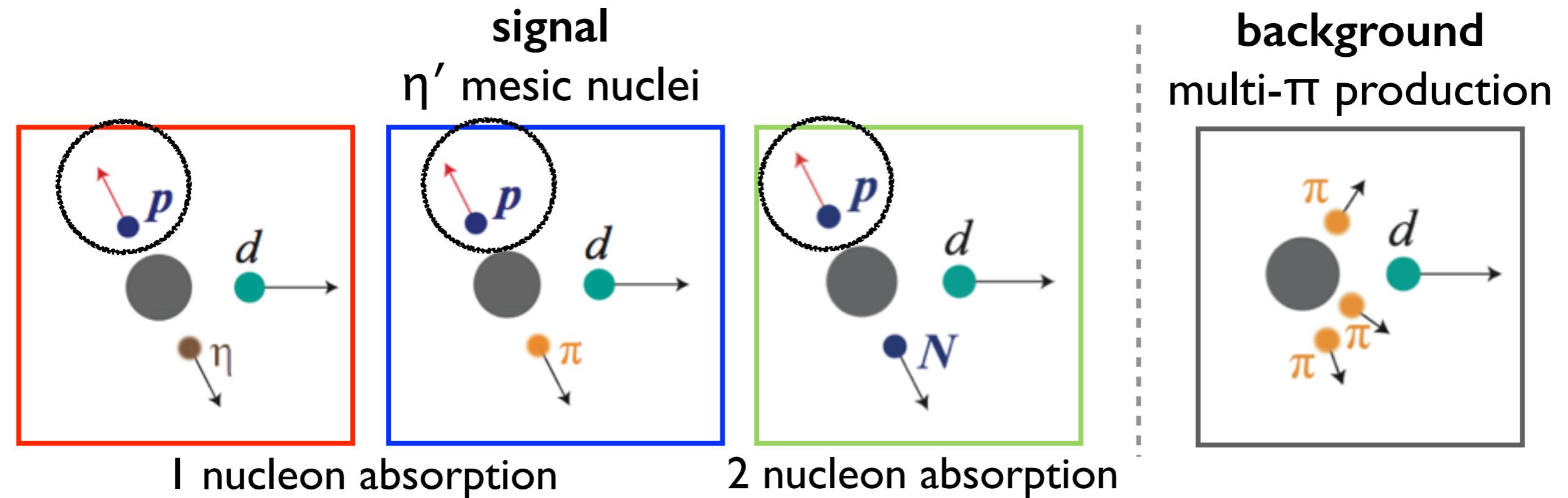
missing-mass
measurement w/ S-FRS

decay of η' mesic nuclei :
- $\eta'N \rightarrow \eta N$ or πN
- $\eta'NN \rightarrow NN$

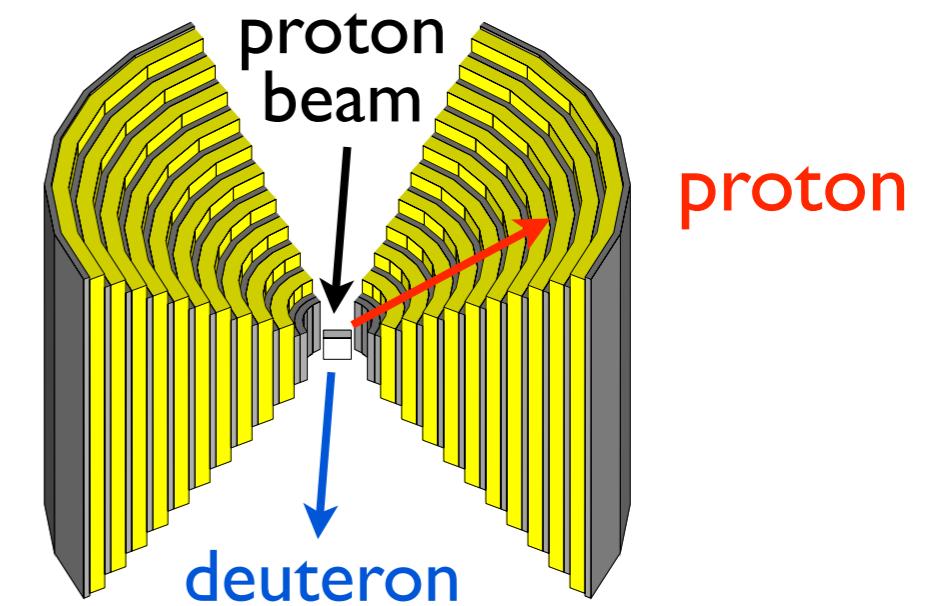
Tagging proton in
coincidence with deuteron

→ S/N ratio can be improved

Tagging decay proton



sampling calorimeter
(conceptual design)



Microscopic transport model calculation

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JAM was developed by

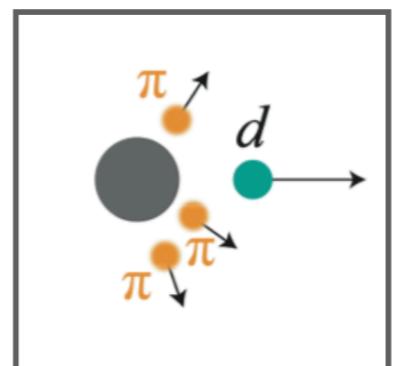
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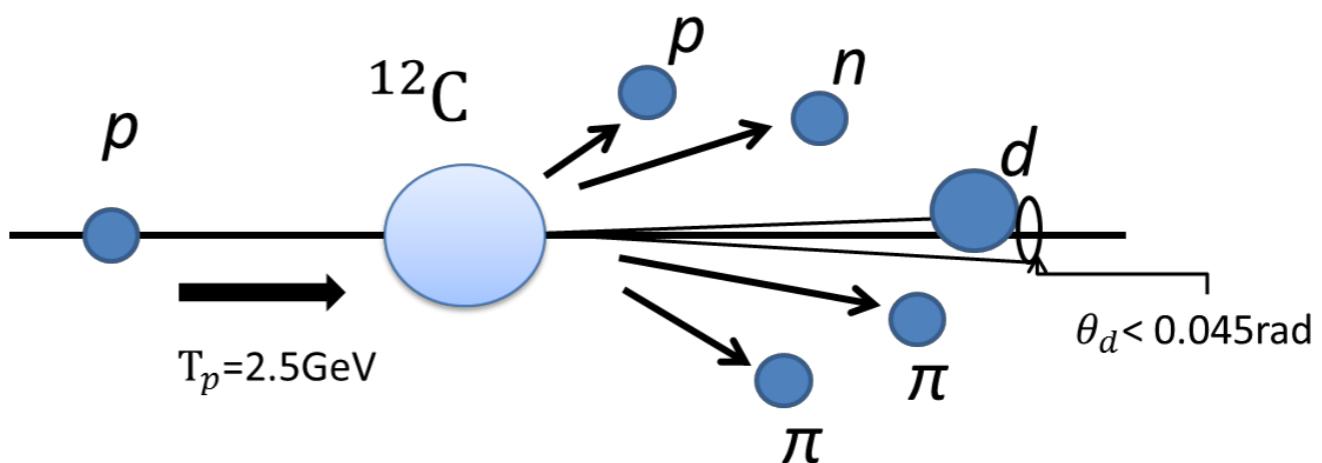
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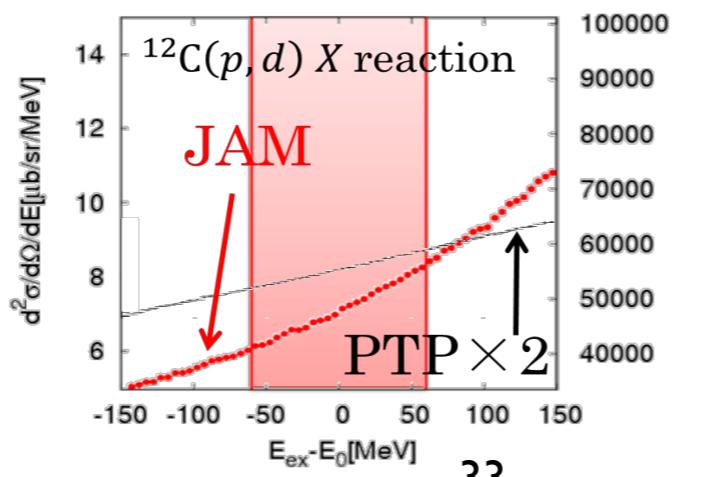


multi- π production

Background events: (mainly due to multi π production)



Considered range of the missing mass : η' threshold $\pm 60 \text{ MeV}$.



By JAM, the distributions of emitted particles from No- η' -Processes can be investigated.

⇒Background

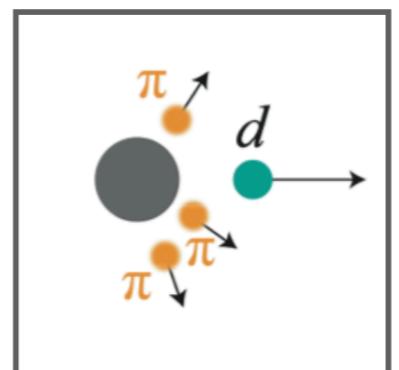
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Proton momentum
vs Angle ($\cos\theta$) →

high momentum proton
at backward angle
→ clean region

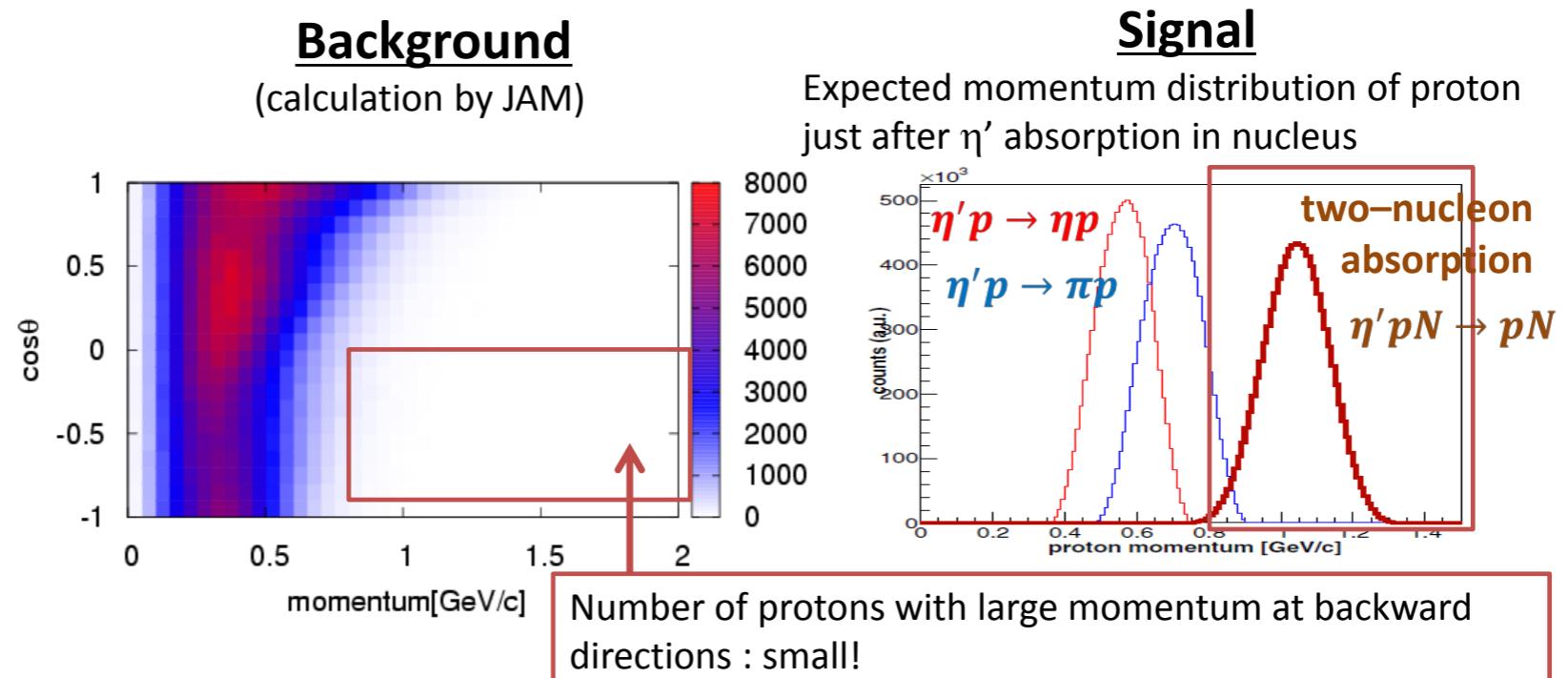


multi- π production

Simulation results: Comparison of Signal with Background

- Signal → Emitted particles from η' absorption.
- Background → Emitted particles from No- η' -processes.

To improve S/N ratio ⇒ **Focus on proton of $^{12}\text{C}(p, d)p X$**

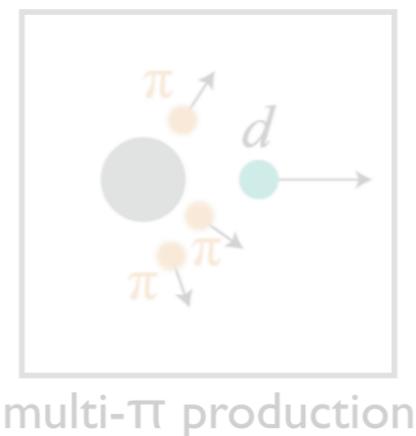


→ The S/N ratio could be improved by using the protons from two-nucleon absorption of η' ! (proton with large momentum at backward directions seems important.)

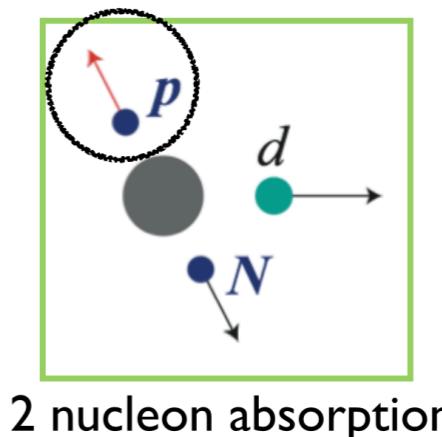
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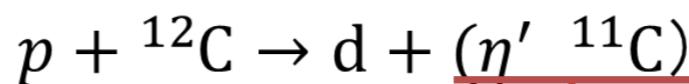


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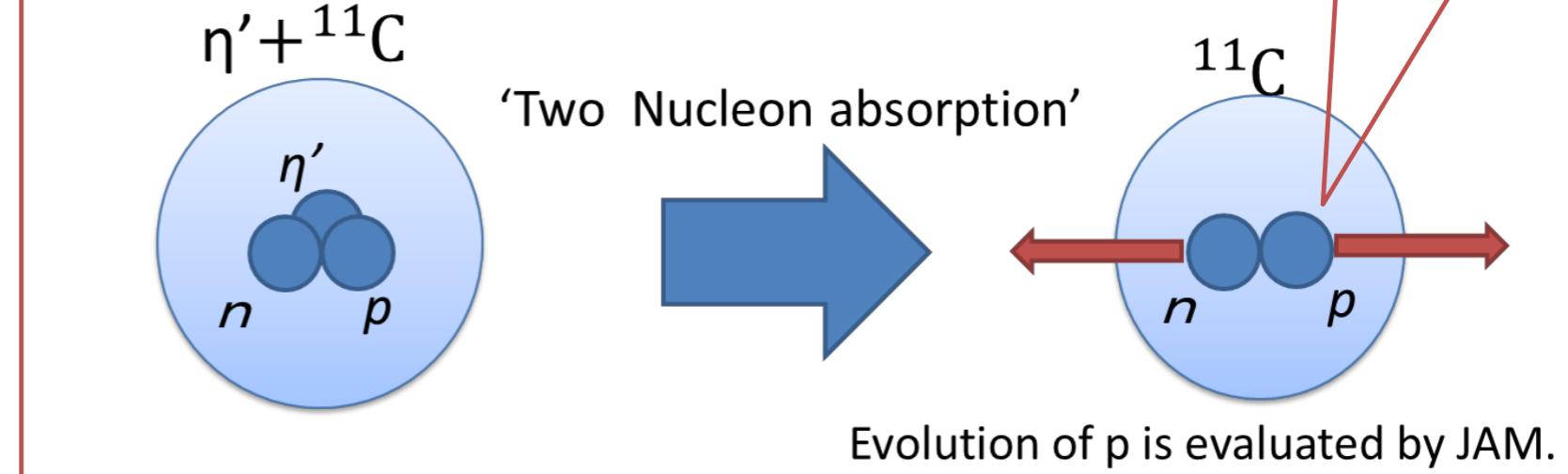


2 nucleon absorption

η' - Processes : Emitted particles from η' - Processes \Rightarrow Signal
Here, we consider two-Nucleon absorption of η'



Proton has
 $T_p \sim \frac{m_{\eta'}}{2}$
 $|\vec{P}_p| \sim 1\text{GeV}/c$



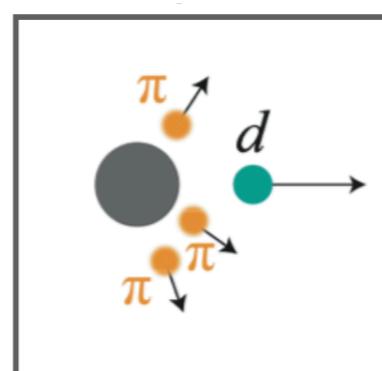
Simulation was started by putting 1.0×10^6 protons in nucleus.
Spatial distribution $\propto \rho(r)^2$: 2 nucleon absorption
Momentum distribution $\propto \exp\left[\frac{-(\vec{P}-\vec{P}_0)^2}{2(\Delta\vec{P})^2}\right]$: Fermi Motion

Microscopic transport model calculation

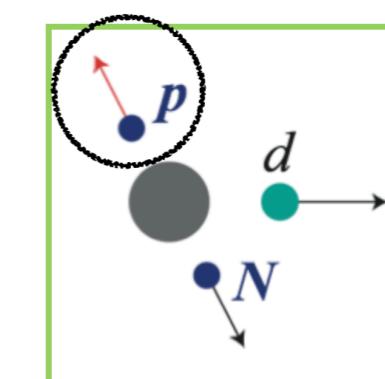
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Proton momentum
vs Angle ($\cos\theta$)

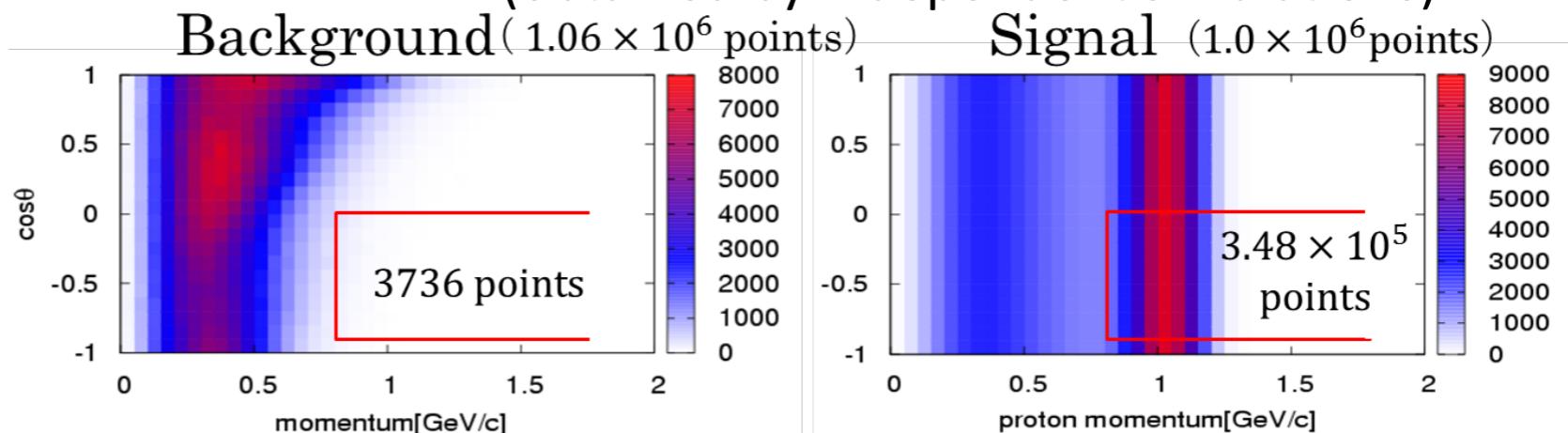


multi- π production



2 nucleon absorption

3.Discussion : Comparison of Signal with Background
(obtained by independent simulations)



	Inclusive(p,d) $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_d} \asymp 1$	proton cut $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_d} \asymp 2$
Background	760 [\mu b/sr]	$\times \frac{3736}{1.06 \times 10^6} \rightarrow 2.68 \text{ [\mu b/sr]}$
Signal	1.1 [\mu b/sr]	$\times \frac{3.48 \times 10^5}{1.0 \times 10^6} \rightarrow 0.38 \text{ [\mu b/sr]}$
S/N ratio	1.4×10^{-3}	1.4×10^{-1}

S/N ratio can be improved by ~ 100

The S/N ratio is improved by the factor of 100.

Summary

- Missing-mass spectroscopy of η' mesic nuclei with (p,d) reaction is performed for studying in-medium properties of η' meson
- In case of large mass reduction ($\sim 100\text{MeV}$) and narrow decay width ($\sim 20\text{MeV}$), η' mesic nuclei may be observed in missing-mass spectrum.
- The first inclusive measurement using FRS at GSI has been performed. Data with good statistics and quality were obtained. Analysis of missing-mass spectra is currently underway.
- At FAIR, we plan semi-exclusive measurement of (p,dp) reaction as well as better-statistics inclusive measurement. Tagging decay protons can improve S/N ratio. R&D is presently on-going.