Results of the KOTO experiment at J-PARC

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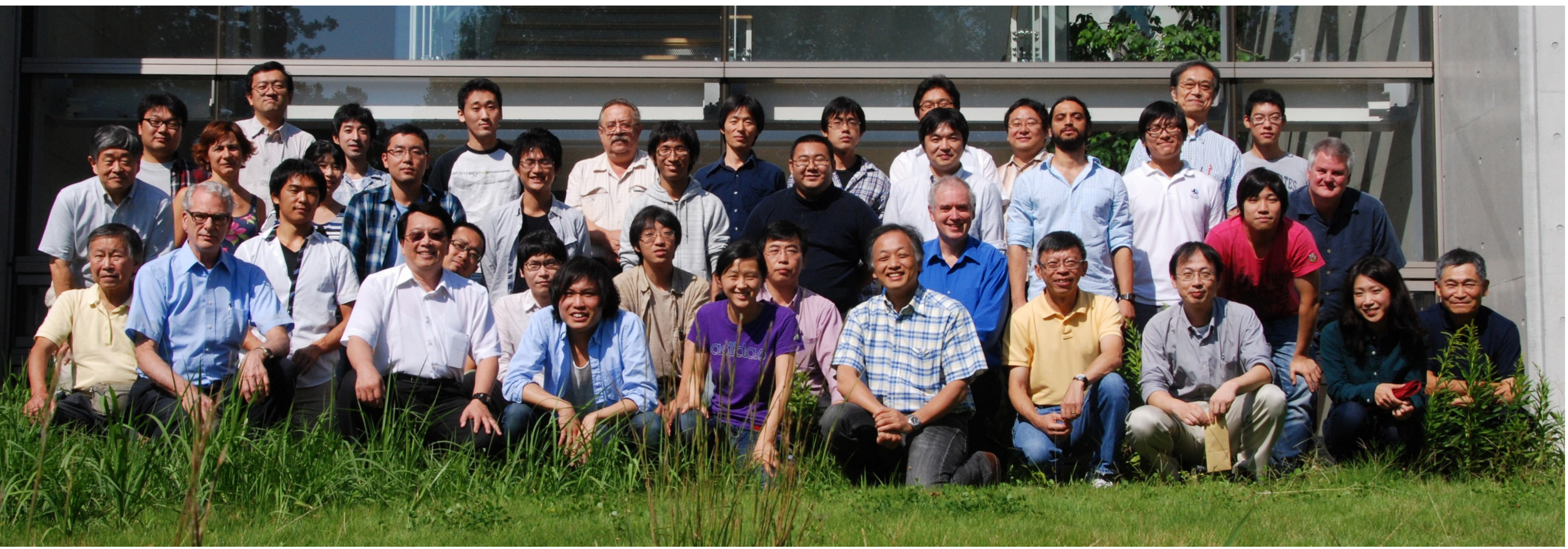

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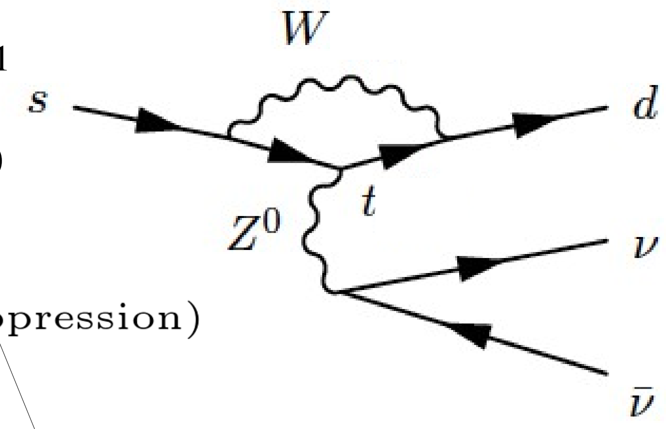
- KOTO took 1st physics run in May 2015.
  - Only 100 hours due to the accident in J-PARC Hadron Hall.
- Blind analysis is still on going. We will show the results soon. Not today.
- I will show
  - How we understand the detector performance
  - Detector/Accelerator plan
  - Expected sensitivity toward the future

$K_L \to \pi^0 \nu \nu$



- Rare FCNC process Br(SM)=(2.4±0.4)x10^-11
  - GIM suppression for u, c (Only t contribution for this decay)
  - Hierarchical structure of CKM for t quark (λ^5 suppression)
- Small theoretical uncertainty (~2%)
  - Short distance (W,Z,t)
  - Ke3 hadron matrix element from data
- Direct CP violation

Sensitive to new physics which break flavor structure and add new CP-violation

$$\mathcal{A}(K_L) \propto \mathcal{A}(K^0) - \mathcal{A}(\overline{K_0}) \propto \mathrm{Im}(\mathcal{A}_{s\to d}) \propto \eta \quad \text{(in the SM)}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} u \\ c \\ t \end{array} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda & \lambda^3{}_{(\rho - i\eta)} \\ -\lambda & 1 & \lambda^2 \\ \lambda^3{}_{(1-\rho-i\eta)} & -\lambda^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \lambda \sim 0.23$$

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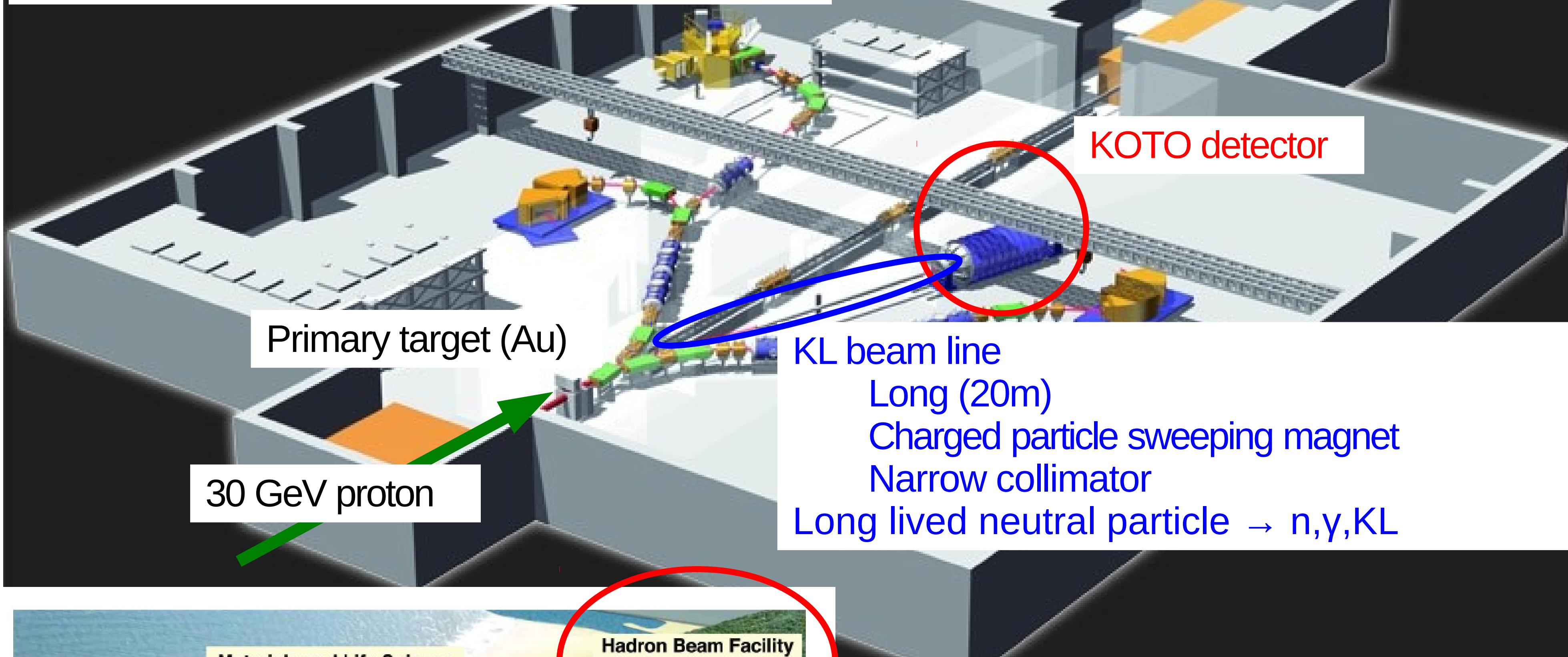
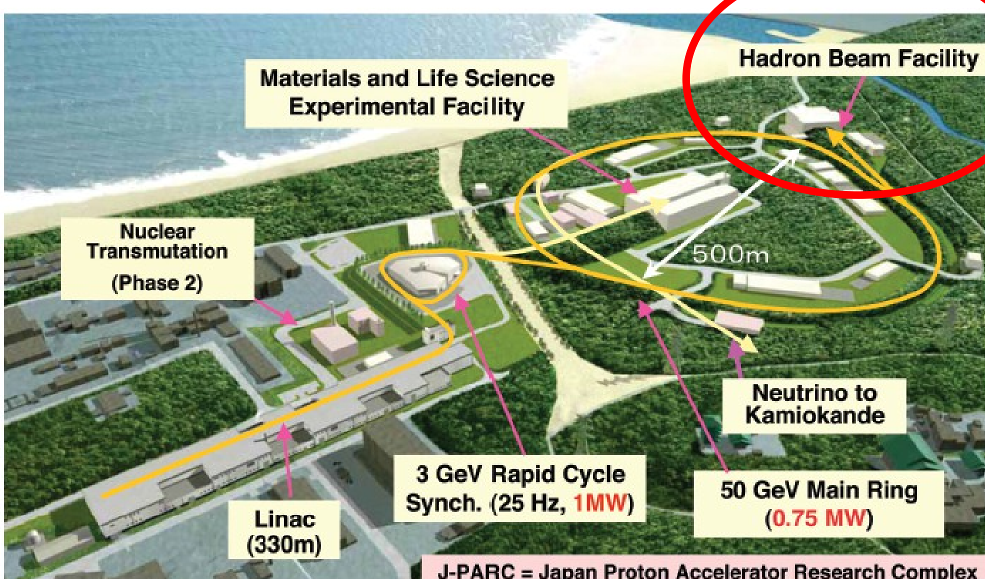
KOTO at J-PARC

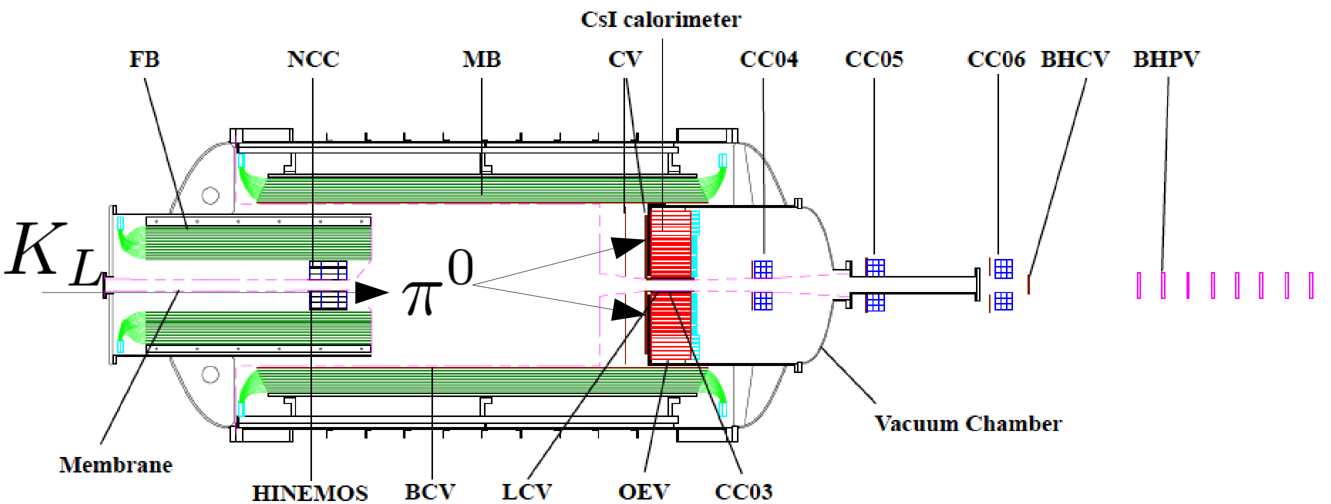


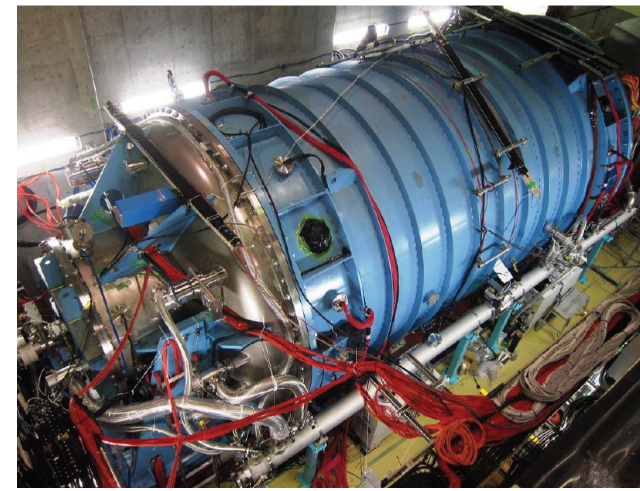


High intensity proton beam (30GeV)
Slow extraction
24kW(2013) → 100kW

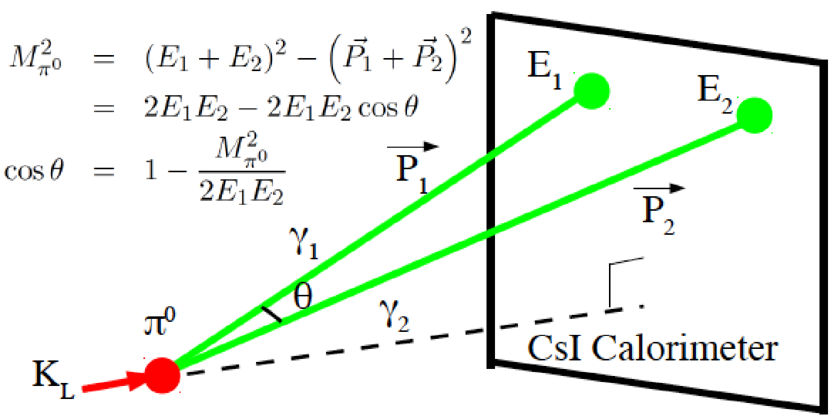
KOTO detector

"Two γ from π^0 and nothing else" → CsI calorimeter and Hermetic veto





$$M_{\pi^0}^2 = (E_1+E_2)^2 - \left(\vec{P_1}+\vec{P_2}\right)^2$$
$$= 2E_1E_2 - 2E_1E_2\cos\theta$$
$$\cos\theta = 1 - \frac{M_{\pi^0}^2}{2E_1E_2}$$



π^0 with high P_T discriminate $K_L \to 2\gamma$

Other K decays have

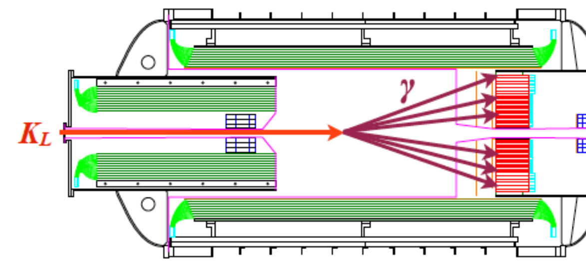
charged or γ more than two

Decay Modes	Branching Fraction
$K_L \to \pi^0\nu\bar{\nu}$	$(2.4 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-11}$
$K_L \to \pi^\pm e^\mp \nu$	(40.55 ± 0.11) %
$K_L \to \pi^\pm \mu^\mp \nu$	(27.04 ± 0.07) %
$K_L \to 3\pi^0$	(19.52 ± 0.12) %
$K_L \to \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	(12.54 ± 0.05) %
$K_L \to 2\pi^0$	$(8.64 \pm 0.06) \times 10^{-4}$
$K_L \to 2\gamma$	$(5.47 \pm 0.04) \times 10^{-4}$

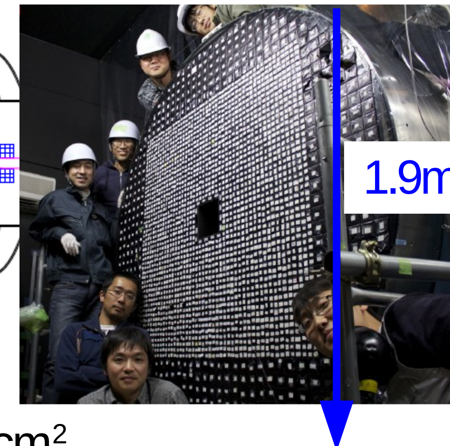
"Veto almost everything" experiment

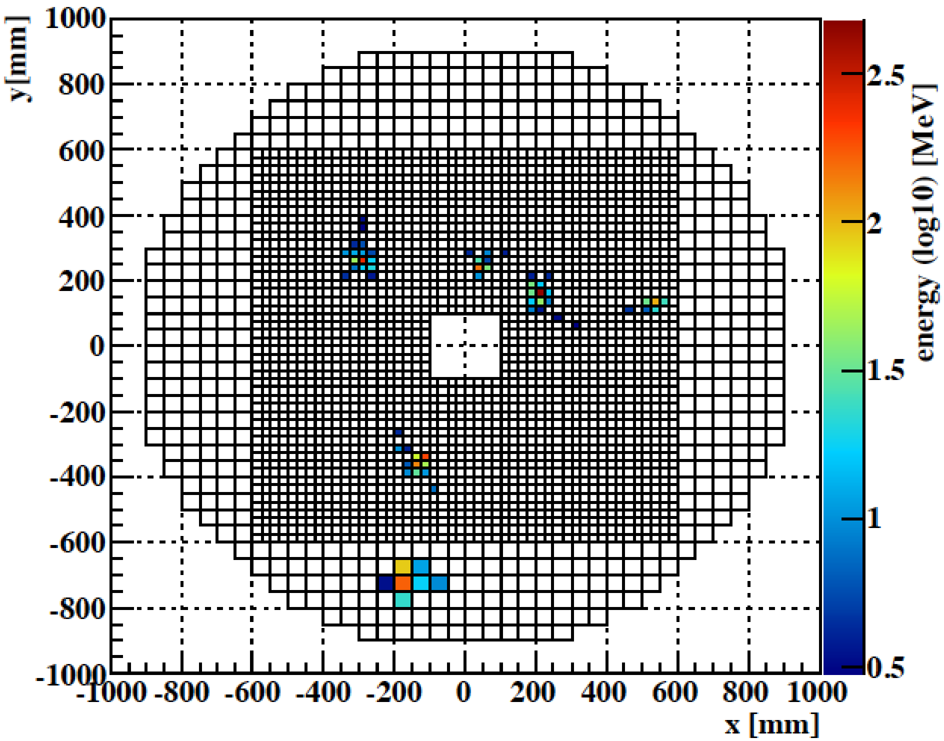
Calorimeter performance

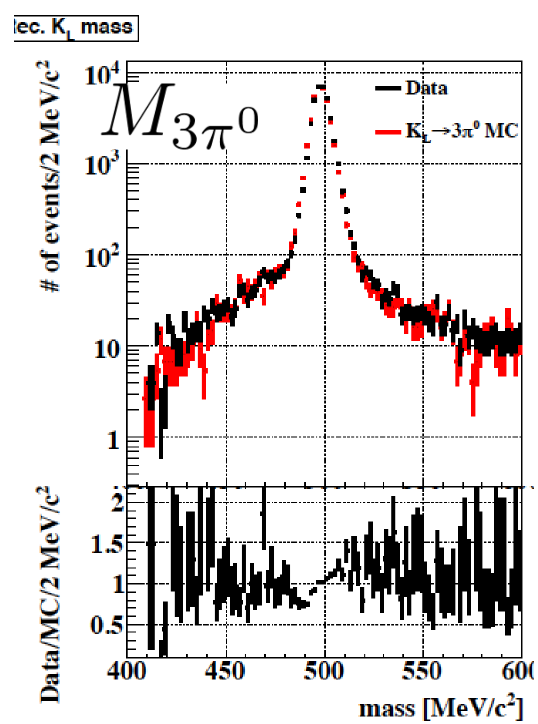
- 6 cluster sample
  - π^0 reconstruction
  - Calorimeter resolution
    - Tuned MC: $\frac{\sigma}{E} = \frac{1.9}{\sqrt{E(\mathrm{GeV})}} \oplus 0.6\%$

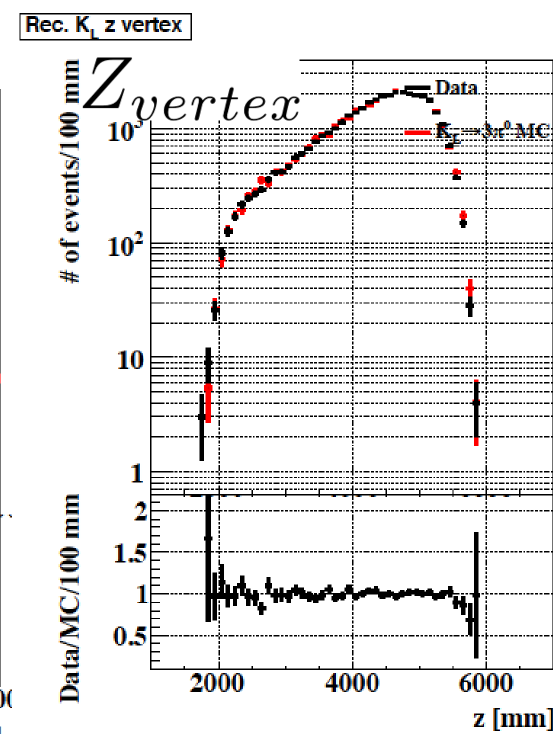


2716 Undoped CsI
50 cm in length
2.5x2.5 or 5x5 cm^2



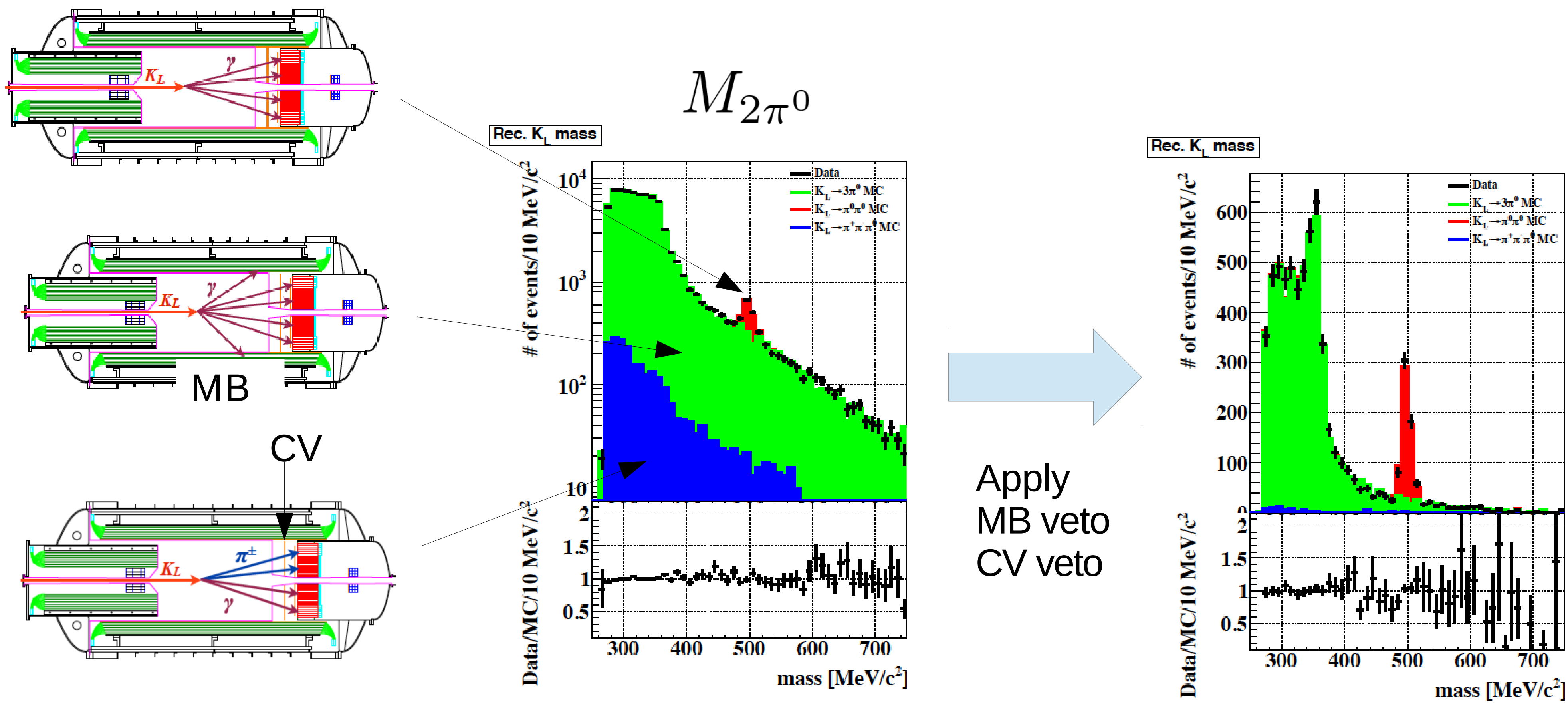






Veto performance (1)

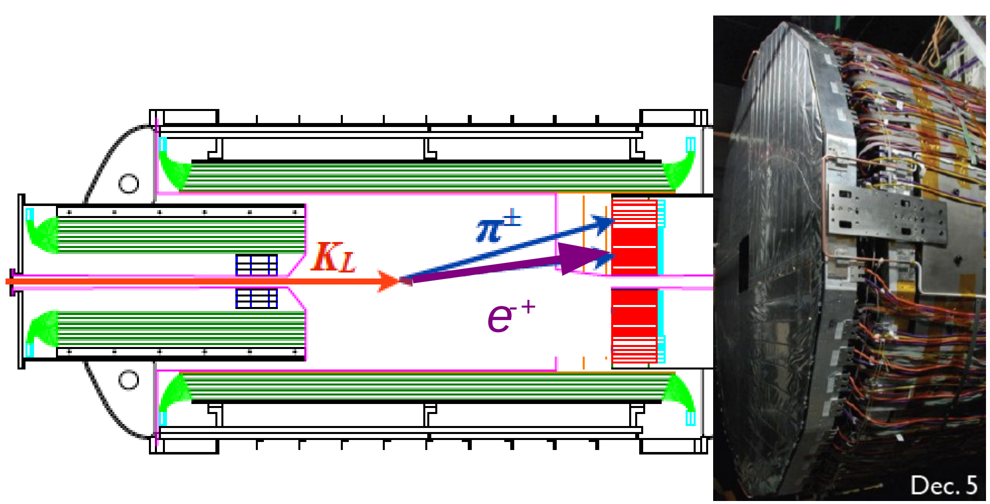
- Four cluster sample
  - Charged veto (CV) and Barrel photon veto (MB)
  - We understood the veto performance as expected.



Veto performance (2)

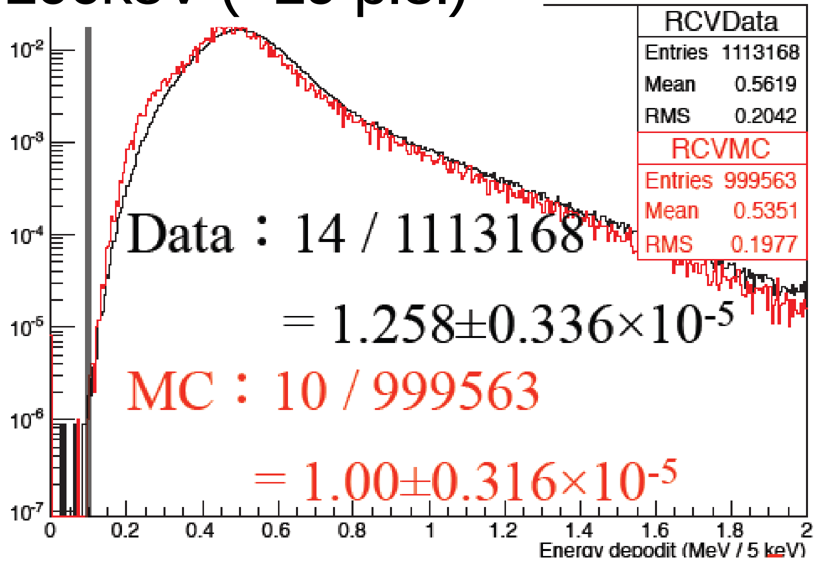
- Special study with a tracking system in 2012.
  - Single charged particle
    - Track with drift chambers upstream of CV
    - Require calorimeter hit downstream of CV
  - Inefficiency < 2×10^{-5} for single layer
    - Two layers of 3mm thick plastic scintillator with WLS fiber readout
    - High light yield with MPPC ($3 \times 3 mm^2$)

10^3 is required to reduce Ke3 background



Energy deposit in CV

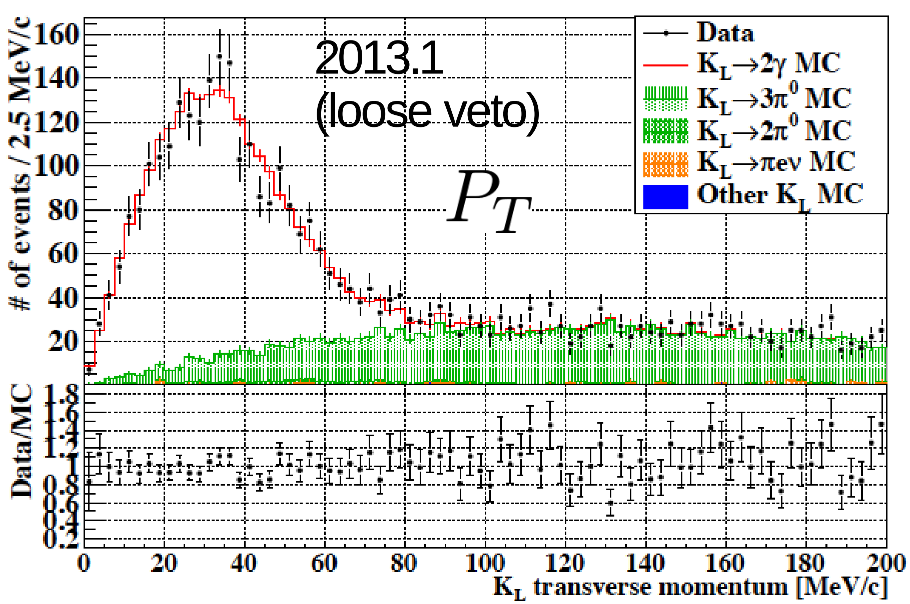
100keV (~19 p.e.)

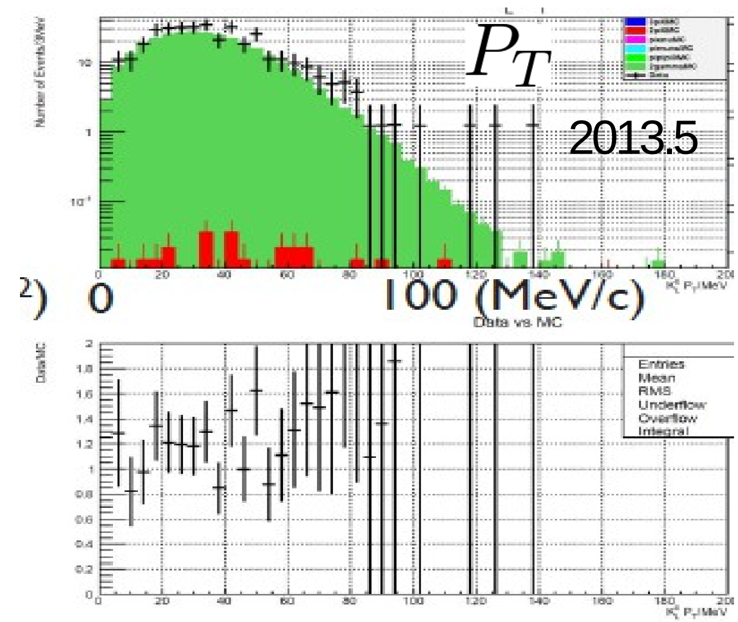


P_T reconstruction

- Two cluster sample → Reconstruct K_L assuming
  - K_L mass
  - Vertex on Z axis

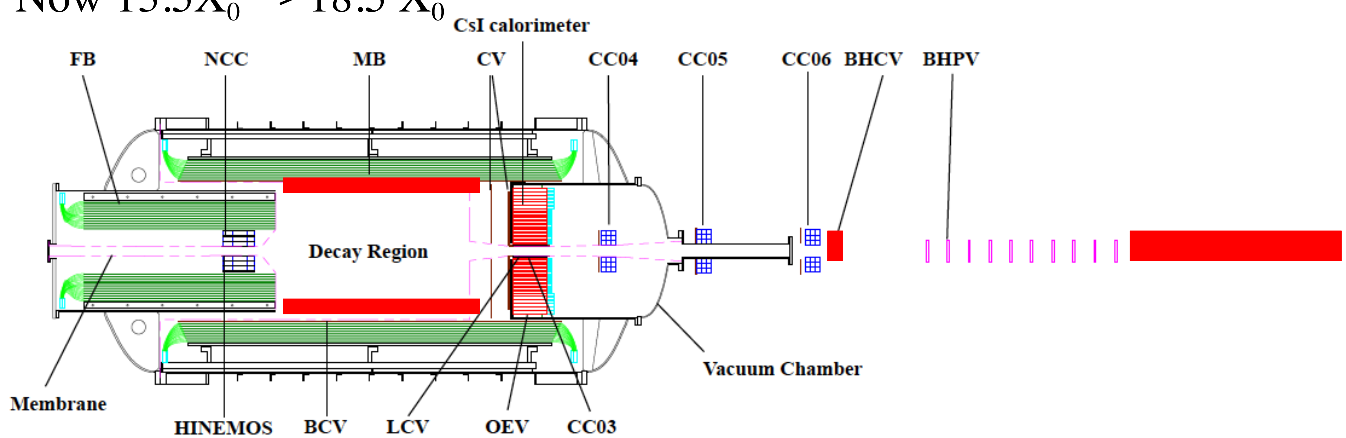
  for $K_L \to 2$ gamma
- Understanding of the collimated beam and gamma measurement with the calorimeter.
- Veto detector performance is also as expected.





Detector staging / upgrading

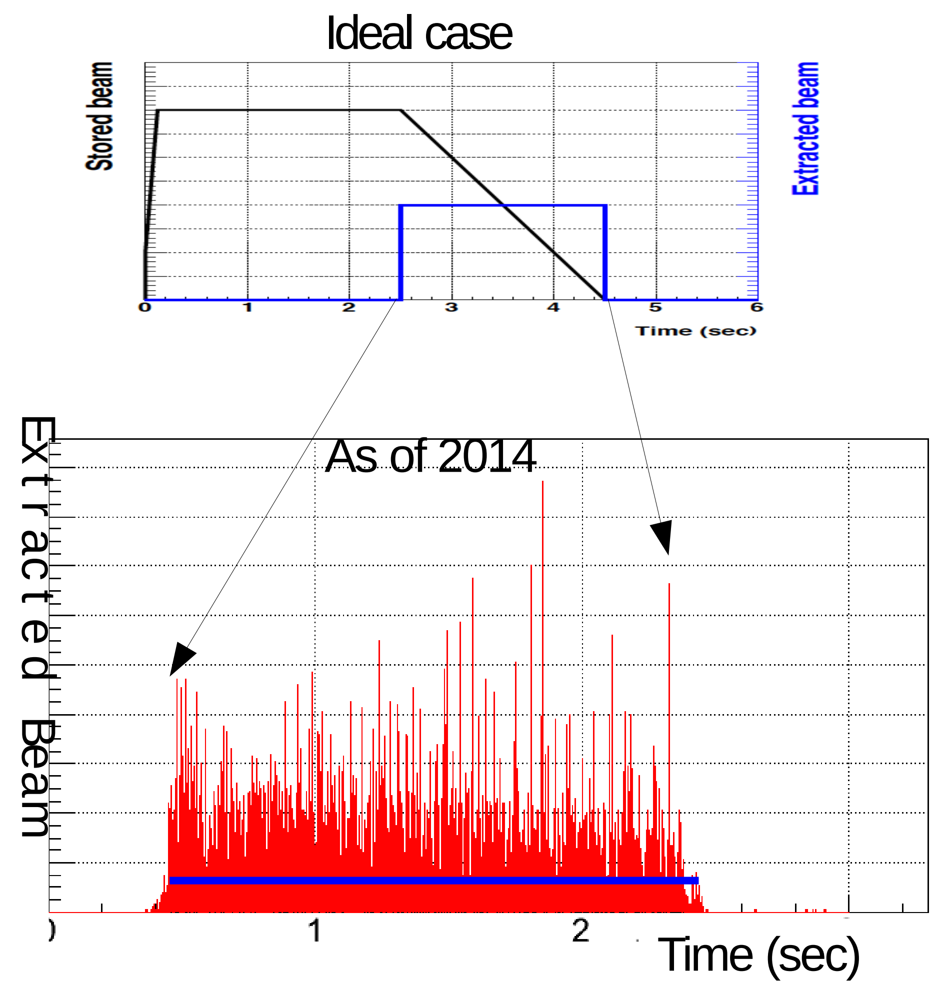
- In-beam charged veto (BHCV)
  - 3mm-thick plastic scintillator → ~3mm-thick wire chamber (2014).
  - Reduce accidental hits in-beam gamma and neutron
    - Now 6MHz hit rate (maximum in KOTO)
- In-beam photon veto (BHPV)
  - Lead-aerogel sandwich Cerenkov counter. (insensitive to neutron)
  - Increase the depth along the beam axis to reduce punch-through inefficiency
    - Now $4X_0$ (4% in efficiency) → $5.4X_0$(1.5% in efficiency) (2014) → $9X_0$ for the final design
- Barrel photon veto (MB) (Summer 2015)
  - Lead-plastic scintillator sandwich
  - Increase the depth to reduce punch-though inefficiency
    - Now $13.5X_0$ → $18.5\ X_0$

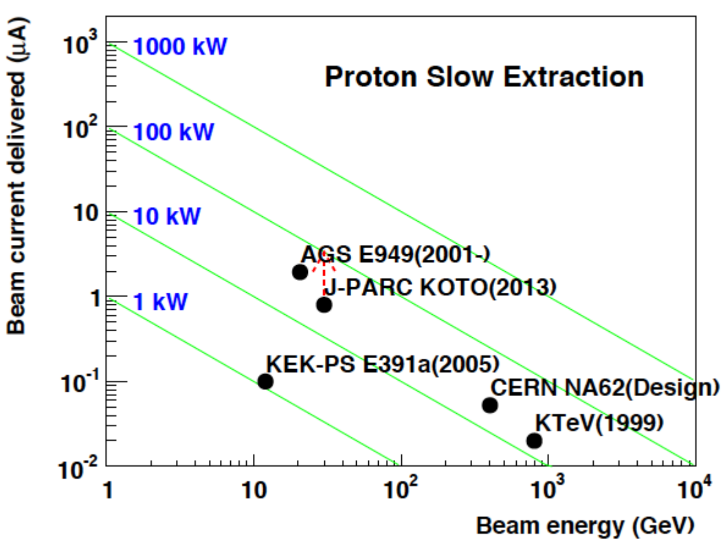


J-PARC Slow Extraction

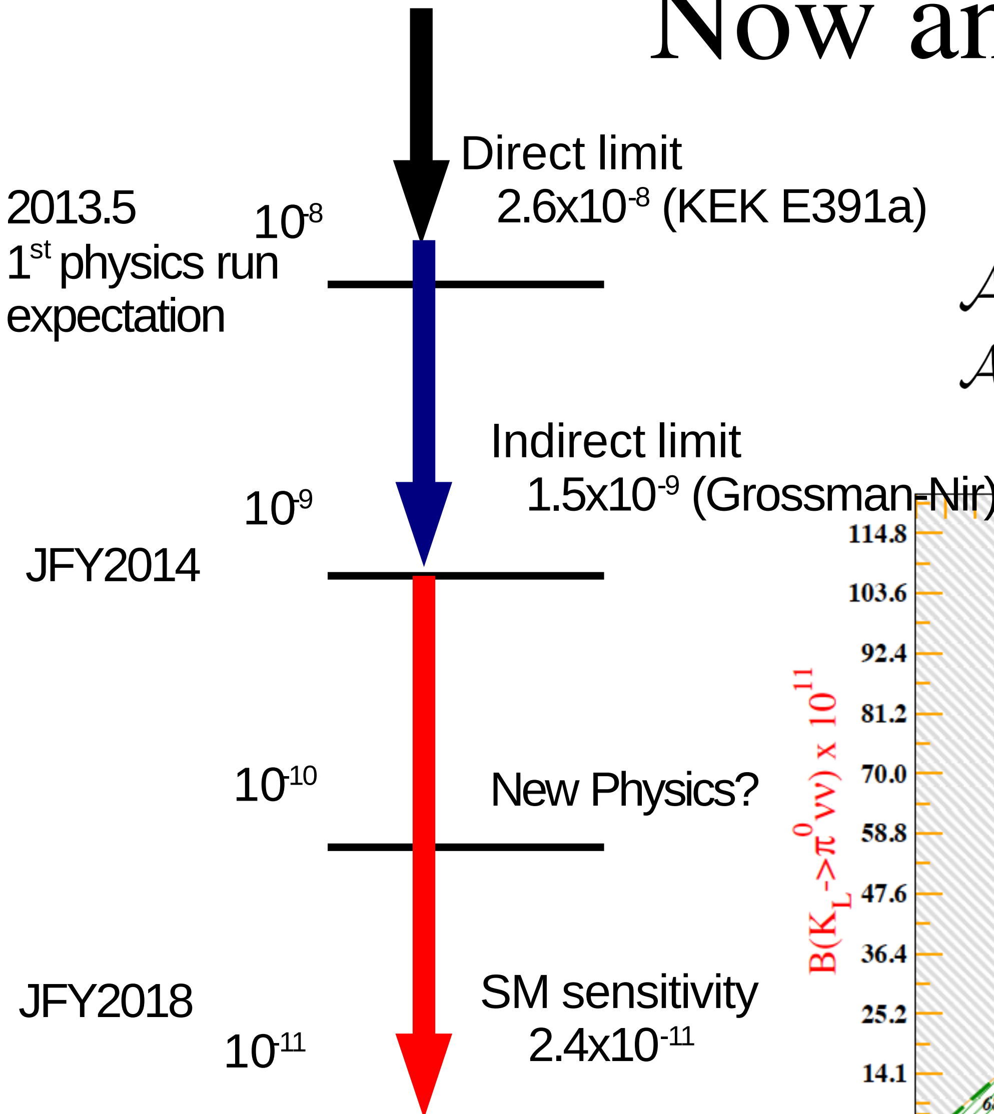
- Power in 2013 : 24kW → 100kW planed in 2017
- Duty : 2sec/6sec
- Duty in spill : ½
  - High accidental rate (x2)

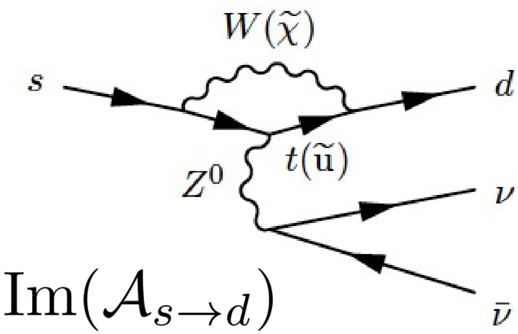
  → trying to reduce



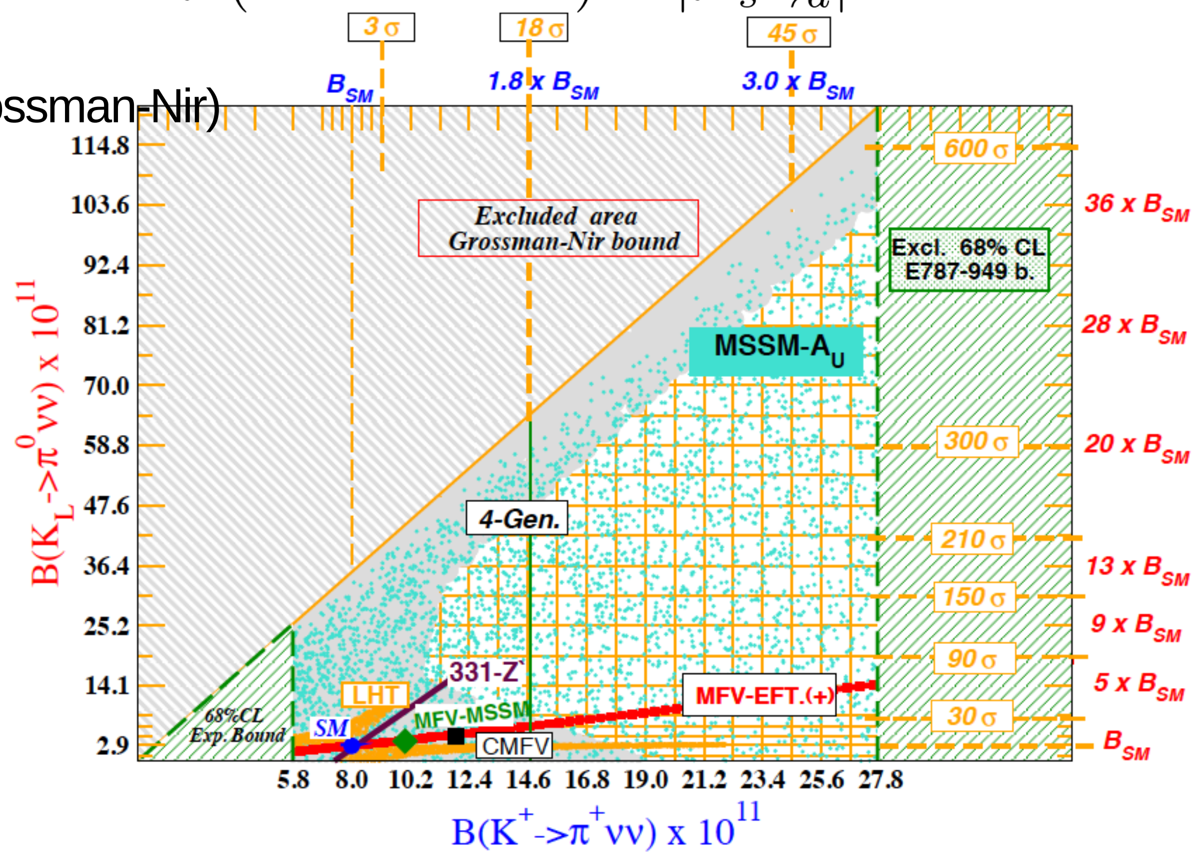


Now and Future





$$\mathcal{A}(K_L \to \pi^0 \nu\nu) \propto \mathrm{Im}(\mathcal{A}_{s\to d})$$
$$\mathcal{A}(K^+ \to \pi^+ \nu\nu) \propto |\mathcal{A}_{s\to d}|$$

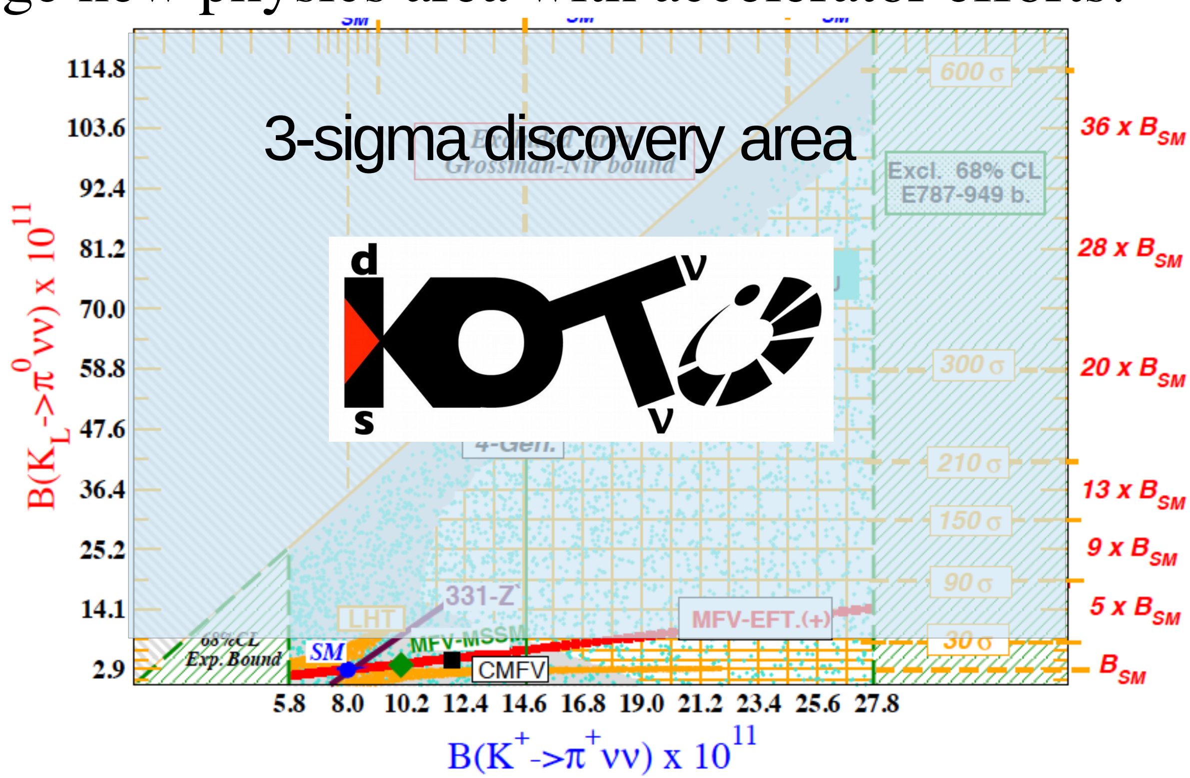


O(100) SM events or more
in KOTO Step-2 plan

Summary

- Blind analysis for 1st Physics run → coming soon
  - Calorimeter and veto performances are well understood.
- Next run will be started in early 2015

  → beyond the Grossman-Nir bound.
- Detector staging/upgrade is on going.
- Explore large new physics area with accelerator efforts.



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