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Future Prospects of the J-PARC Hadron Experimental Facility

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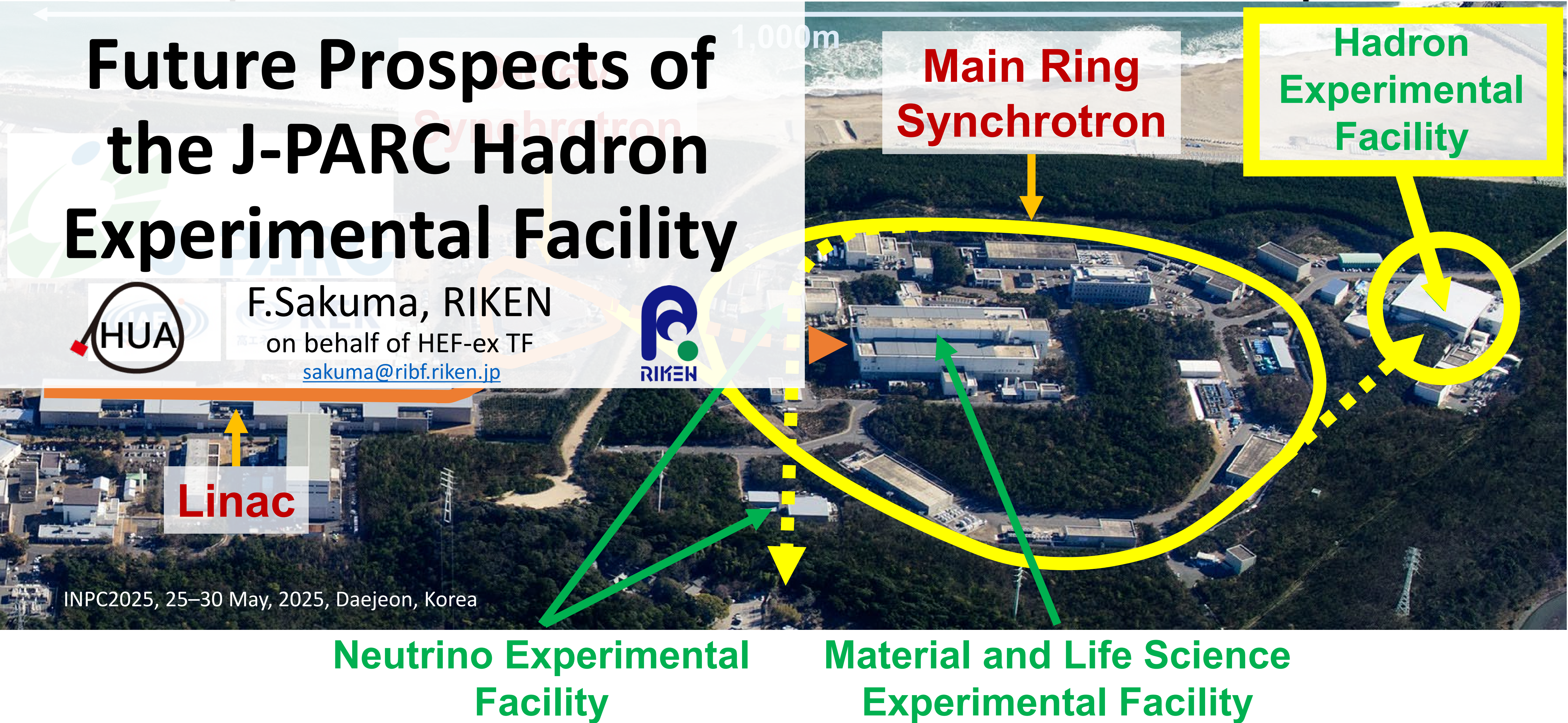
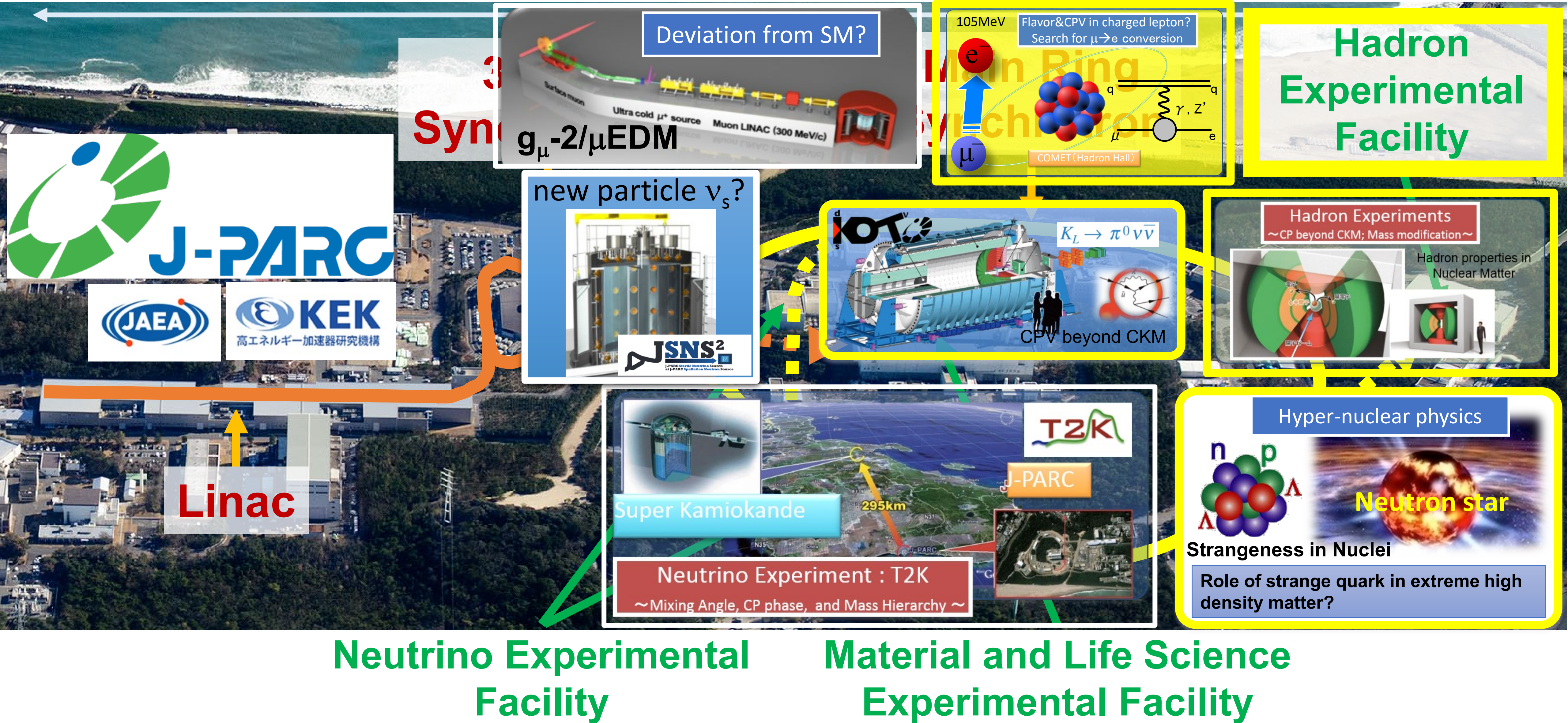
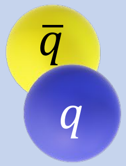


Particle and Nuclear Physics @ J-PARC



Origin & Evolution of Matter

Matter-Antimatter Symmetry



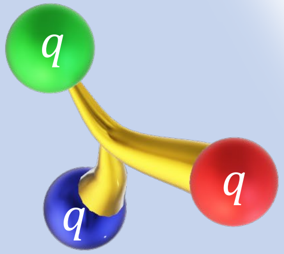
matter dominated universe

Flavor Physics

CP violation
weak interaction
→ new physics

Kaon rare decays
$\mu \rightarrow e$ conversion

Origin of Matter Creation



formation of hadrons from quarks

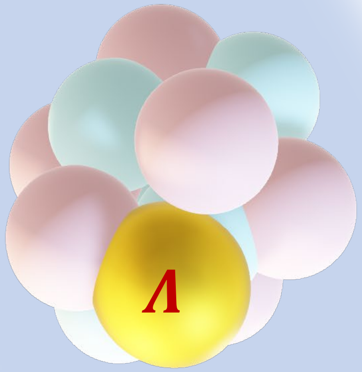
Hadron Physics

quark interactions
hadron mass-generation mechanism

Hadron spectroscopy
Meson in nuclei

Matter in Extreme Conditions

dense matter in neutron stars



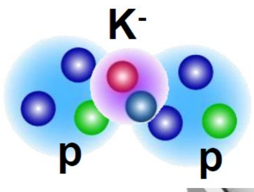
Strangeness Nuclear Physics

hadron interactions
hadronic many-body systems

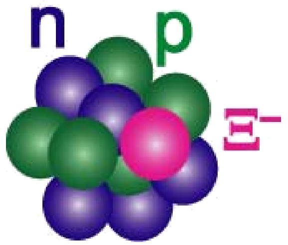
Hyperon-Nucleon scattering
Hypernuclear spectroscopy

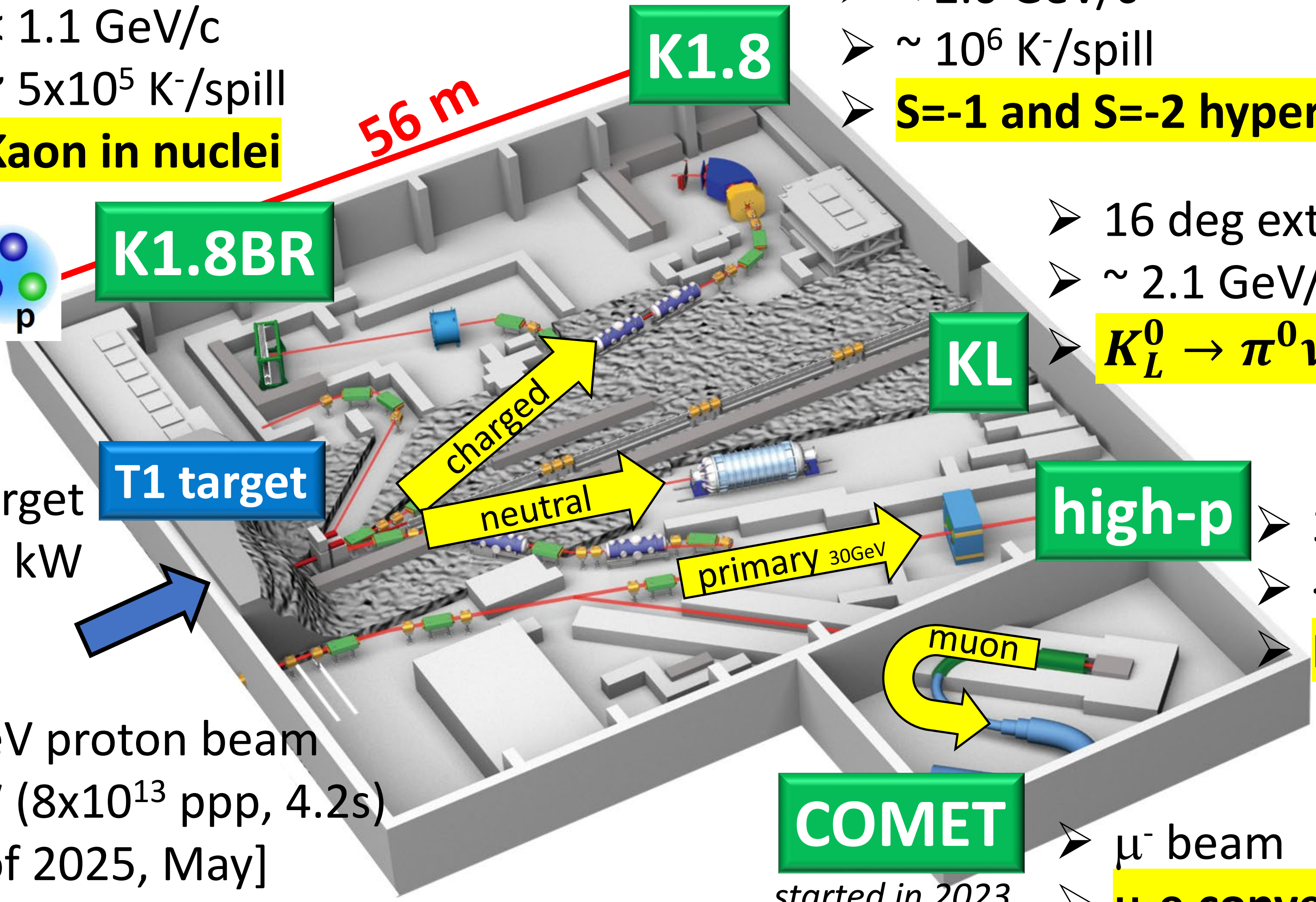
Present Hadron Experimental Facility (HEF)

- < 1.1 GeV/c
- ~ 5x10^{5} K^{-}/spill
- **Kaon in nuclei**

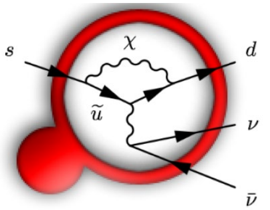


- < 2.0 GeV/c
- ~ 10^{6} K^{-}/spill
- **S=-1 and S=-2 hypernuclei**





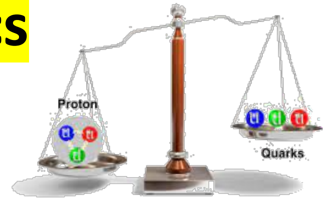
- 16 deg extraction
- ~ 2.1 GeV/c ~ 10^{7} K^0_L/spill
- $K_L^0 \to \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$



- Au Target
- < 115 kW

launched in 2020

- 30 GeV proton ~ 10^{10}
- < 31 GeV/c unsepa. π ~ 10^{7}
- **Hadron physics**



- 30 GeV proton beam
- 93kW (8x10^{13} ppp, 4.2s)

  [as of 2025, May]

started in 2023

- μ^{-} beam
- **μ-e conversion**

Achievements in research at the Hadron Experimental Facility

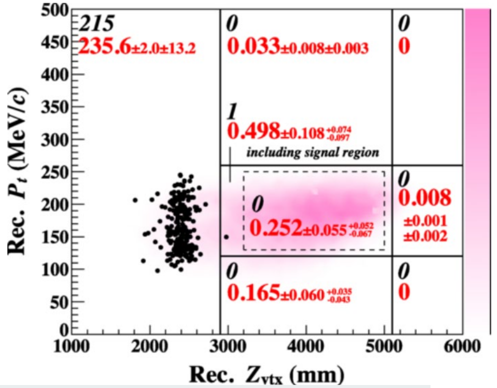
Flavor Physics

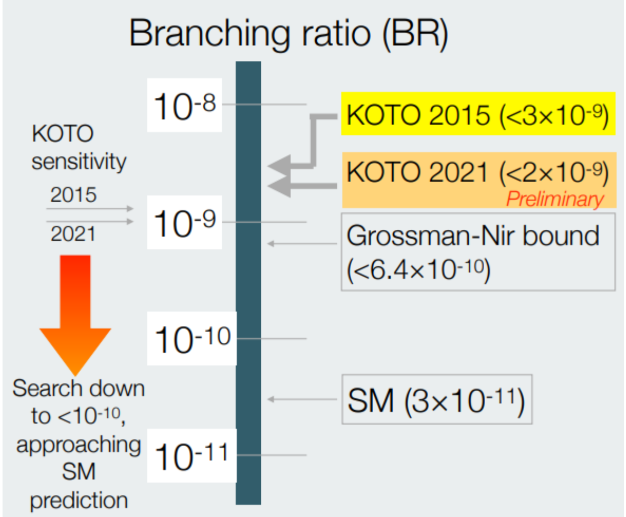
$K_L^0 \to \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$ search @ KOTO

→ **Approaching the SM sensitivity for CP violation**

KOTO 2021

Single Event Sensitivity = 9×10^{-10}





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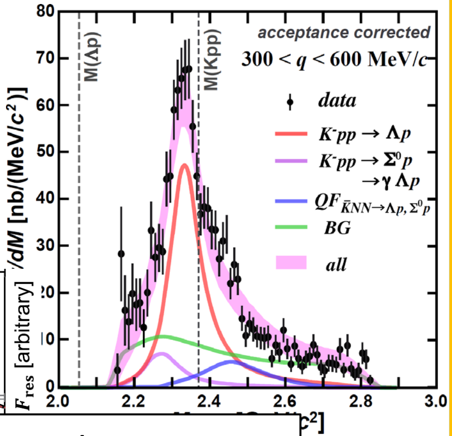
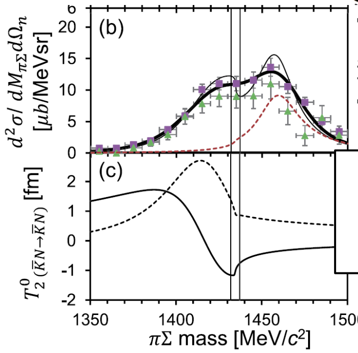
Observation of an exotic hadron bound system including K⁻ meson

→ **Established a new direction to understand meson-baryon int.**

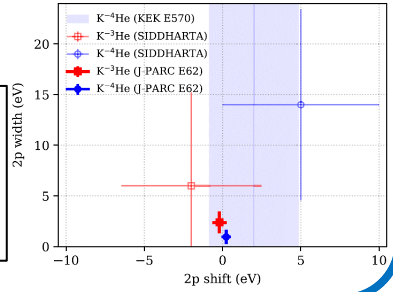
Kaonic nuclear state, "K-pp"





Pole position of Λ(1405)

Ultra-precise measurement of kaonic atoms

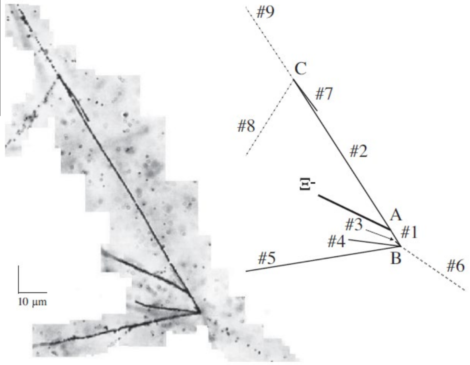


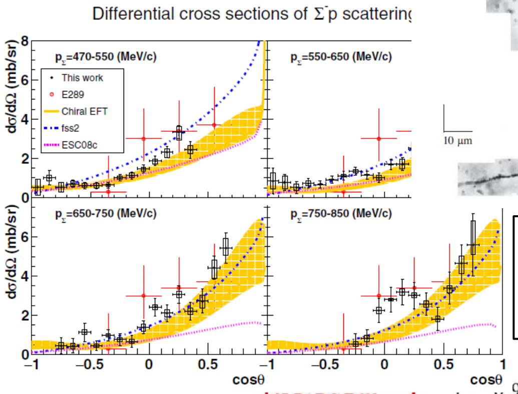
Strangeness Nuclear Physics

A lot of progress in hypernuclear research

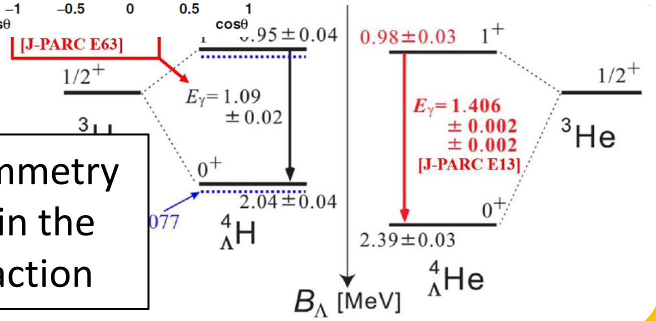
→ **Clarified attractive S=–2 ΞN interaction and deepened S=–1 ΛN, ΣN interactions**

Observation of Ξ hypernuclei





First precise ΣN scattering



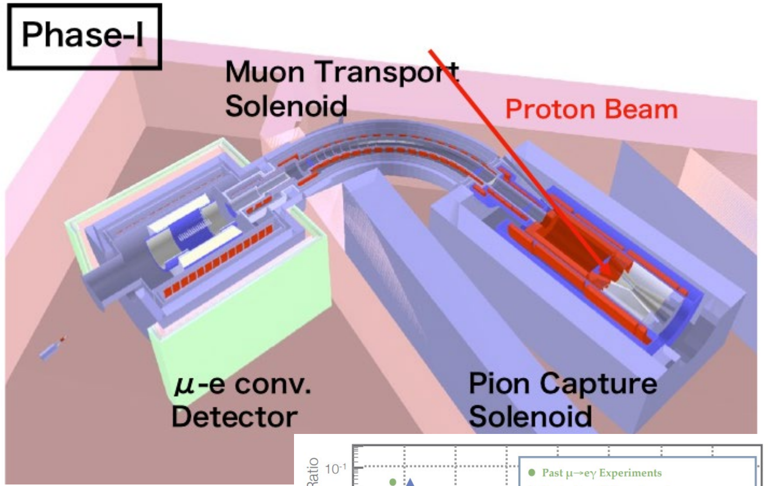
Charge-symmetry breaking in the ΛN interaction

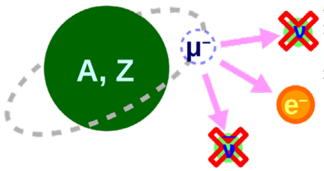
Further research directions at the Hadron Experimental Facility

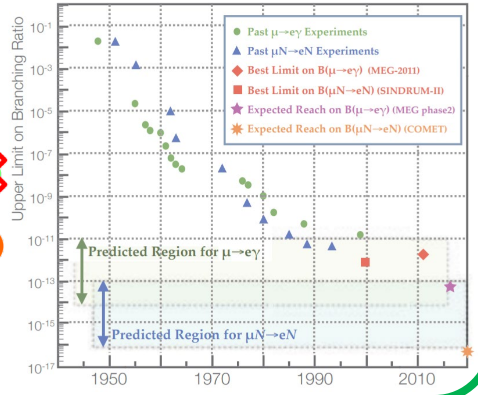
Flavor Physics

Search for μ→e conversion @ COMET (2023~)

→ **Search for charged lepton flavor violation**







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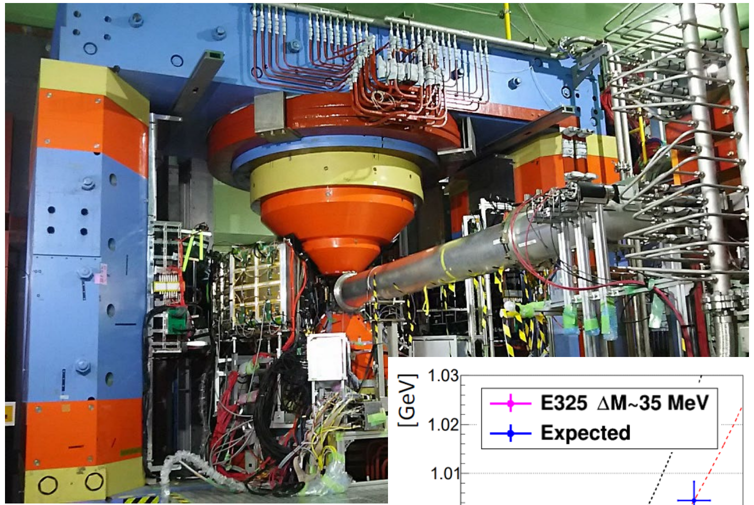
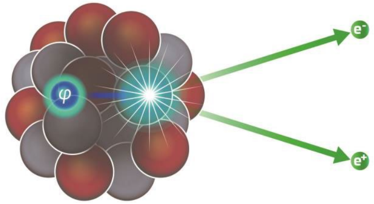
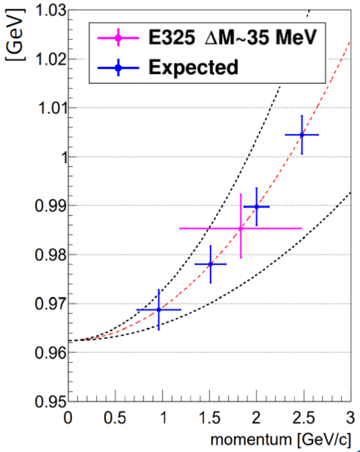
Measurement of spectral modification of ϕ meson in nuclei (2020~)

→ **Attack mass-generation mechanism of hadrons**







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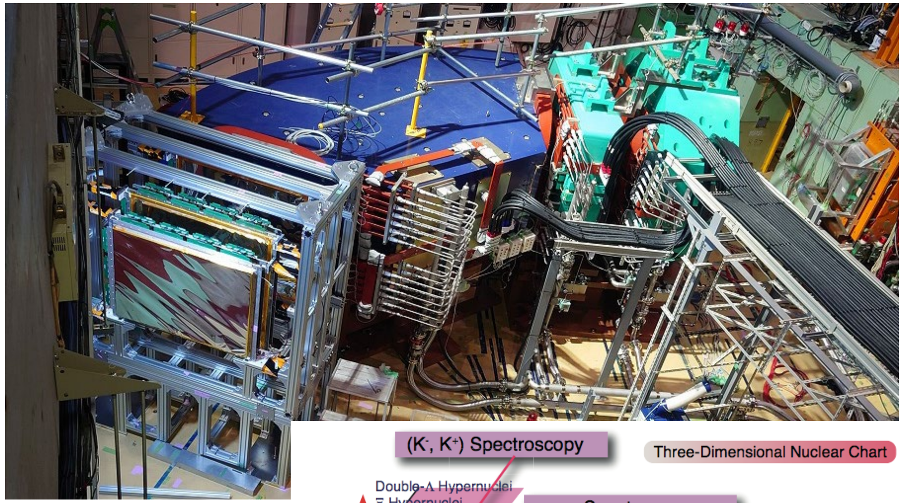
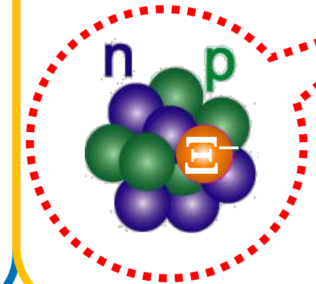
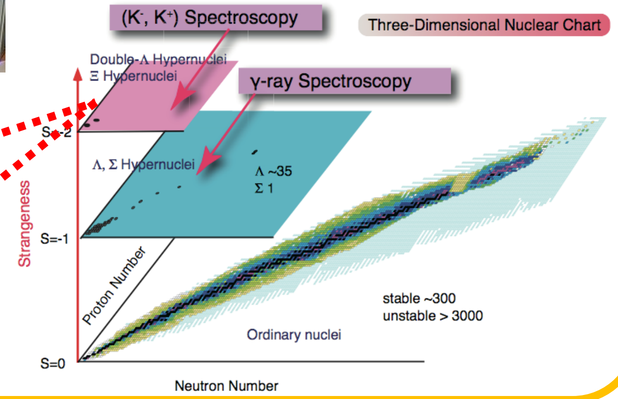
High-resolution spectroscopic study of S=–2 Ξ-hypernuclei (2023~)

→ **Provide accurate and systematic information on ΞN, ΛΛ interactions**







Hadron Experimental Facility extension (HEF-ex) Project

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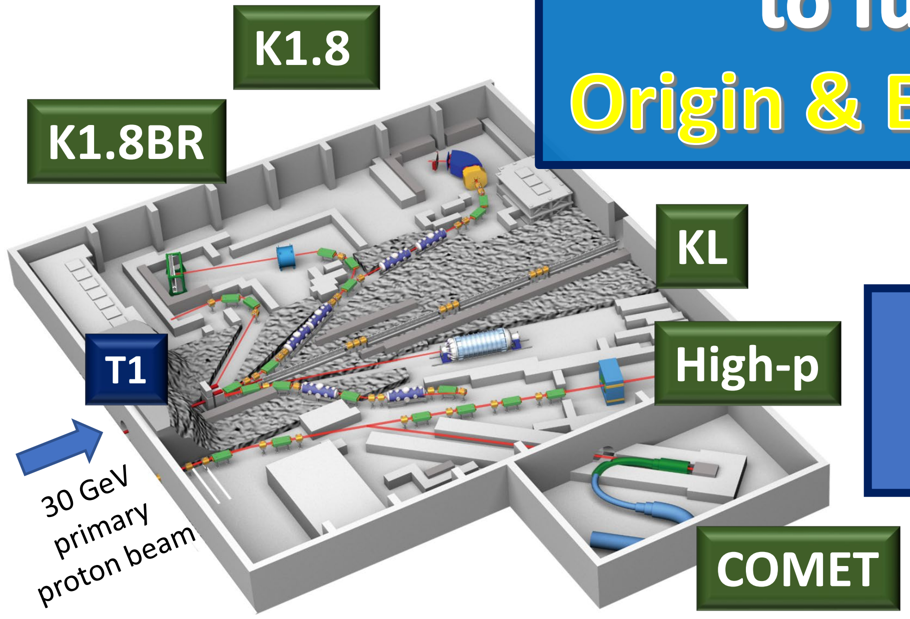
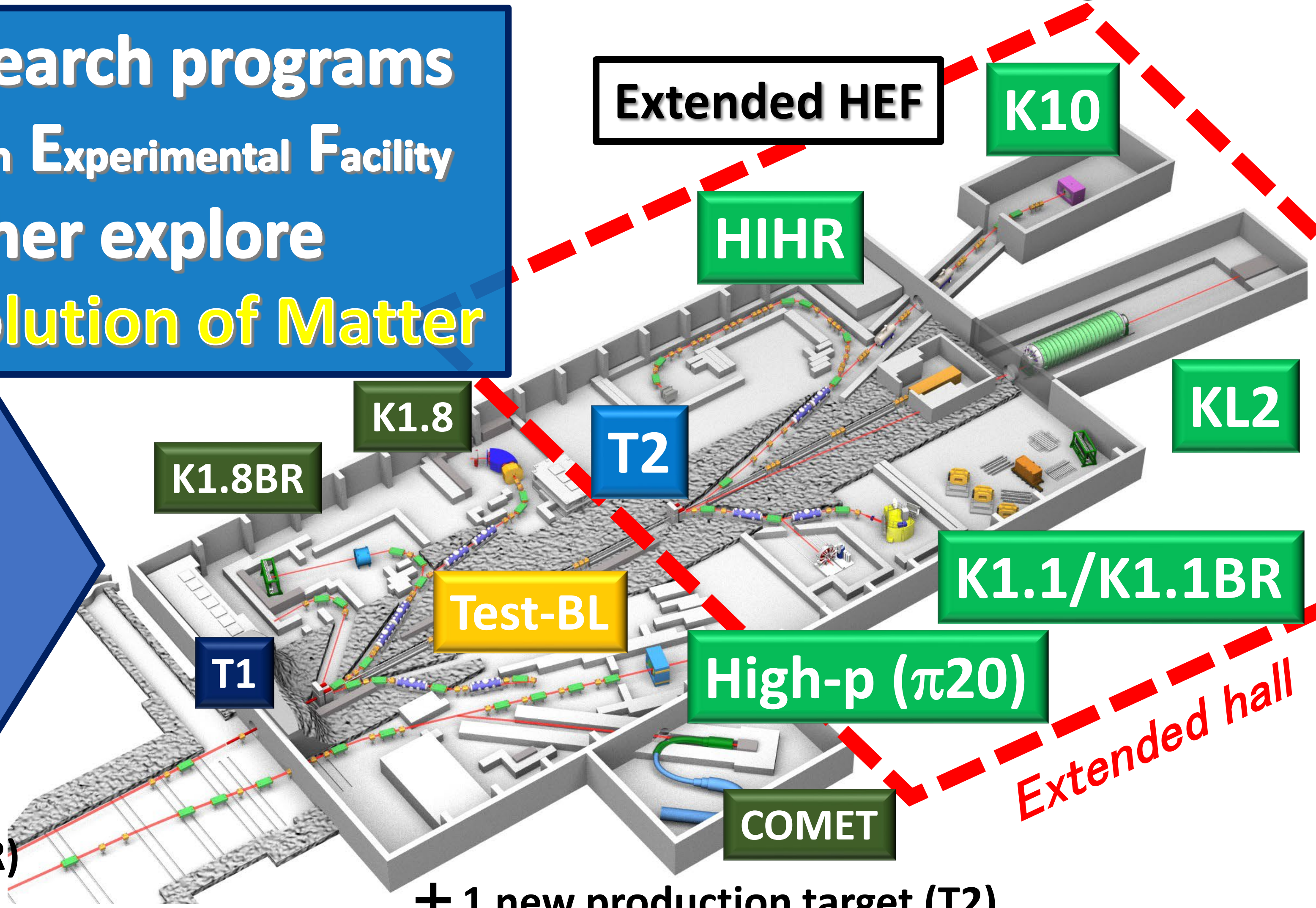
expand research programs at the Hadron Experimental Facility to further explore Origin & Evolution of Matter

Present HEF (2009～)



1 production target (T1)
1 secondary-charged beamline (K1.8/K1.8BR)
1 neutral beamline (KL)
1 primary beamline (High-p)
1 muon beamline (COMET)

Extended HEF



＋1 new production target (T2)
＋4 new beamlines (HIHR, K1.1/K1.1BR, KL2, K10)
＋ 2 updated beamlines (High-p (π20), Test-BL)

Expanded Research Programs

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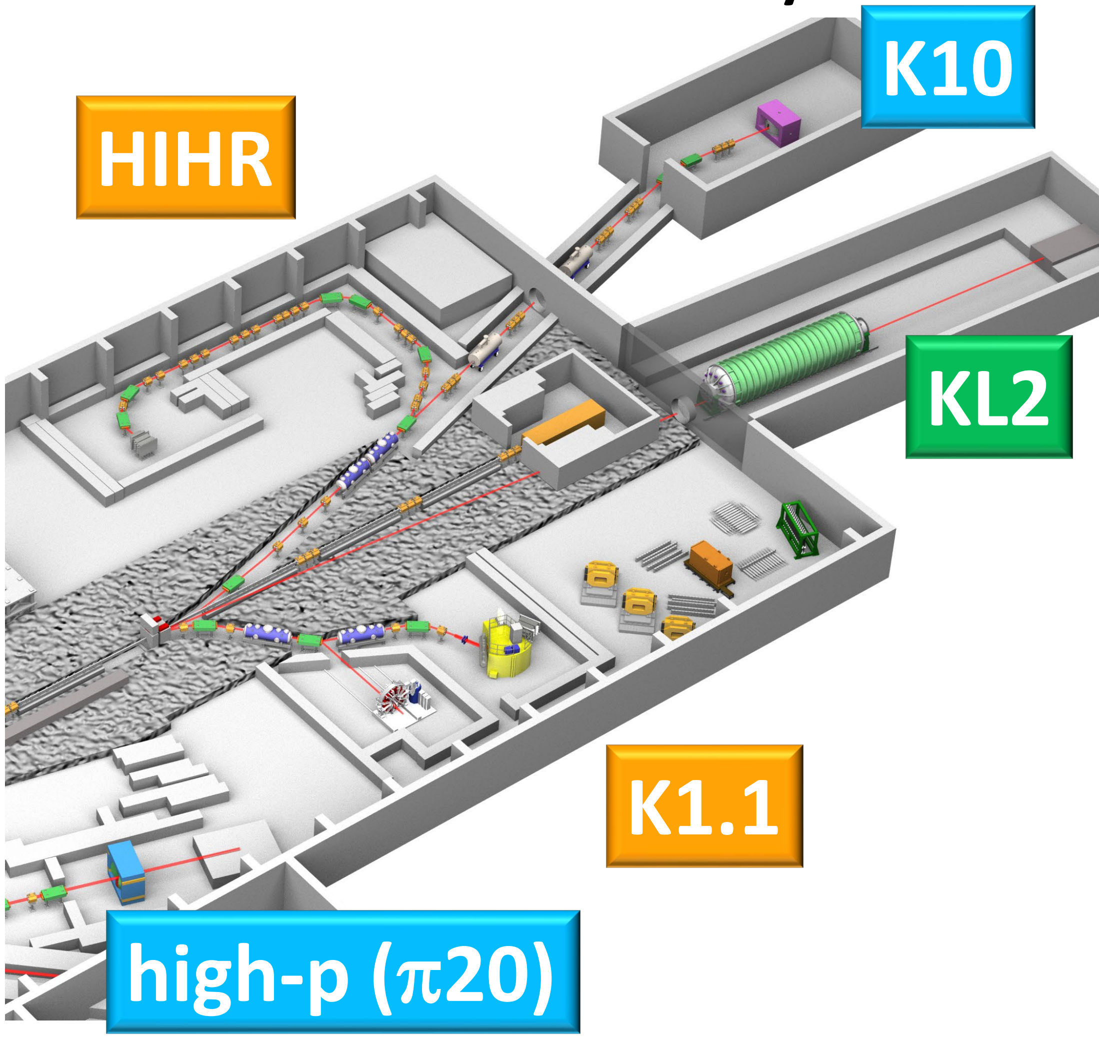

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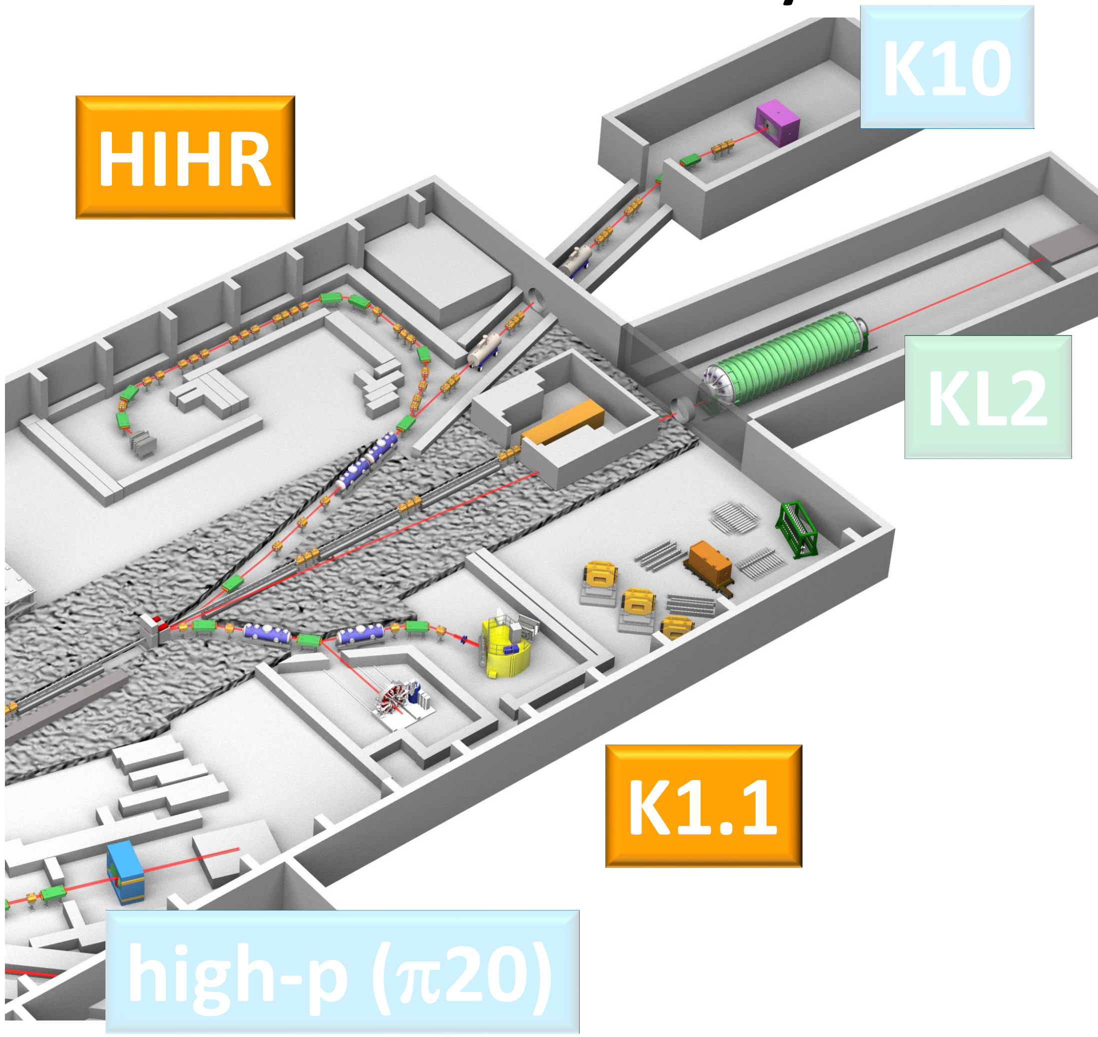
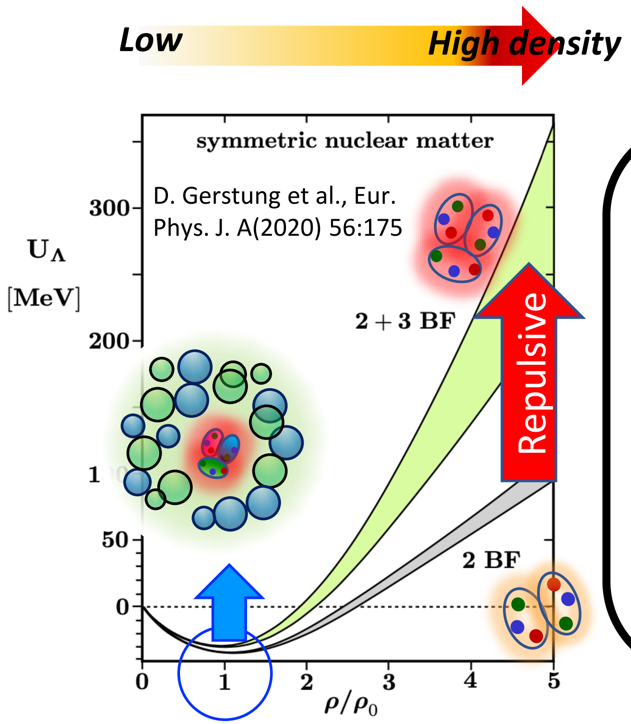


Strangeness Nuclear Physics: Hyperon in Dense Environment

Why can heavy neutron stars exist?

- ➢ **Hyperons (Λ, Ξ, ...) emerge in dense neutron star matter?**

ΛNN 3 Baryon Force is a key



We need to determine

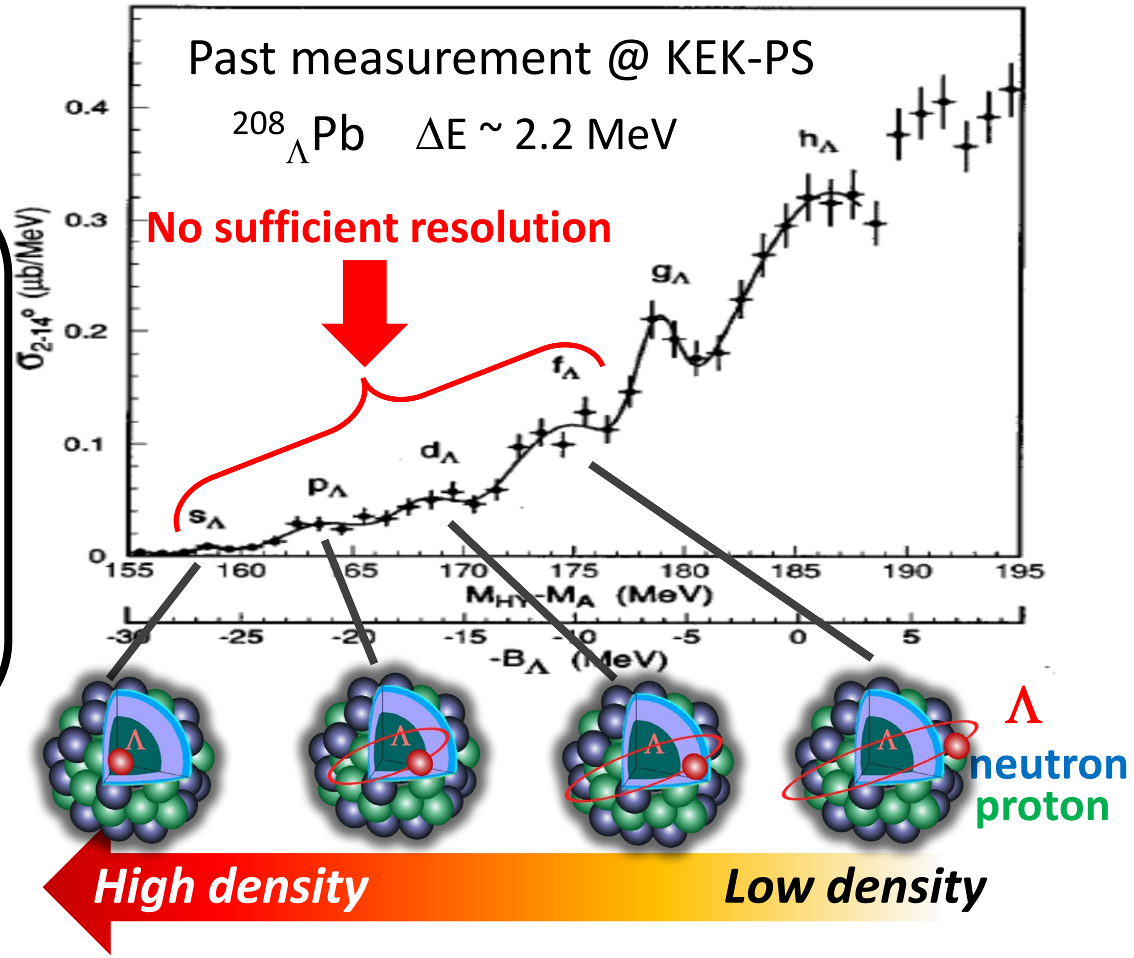
a tiny fraction of 3 Baryon Force effects

heavy Λ-hypernuclei :

Λ binding energies (B_Λ)

→ density dependent ΛN interaction

→ We need precise measurements



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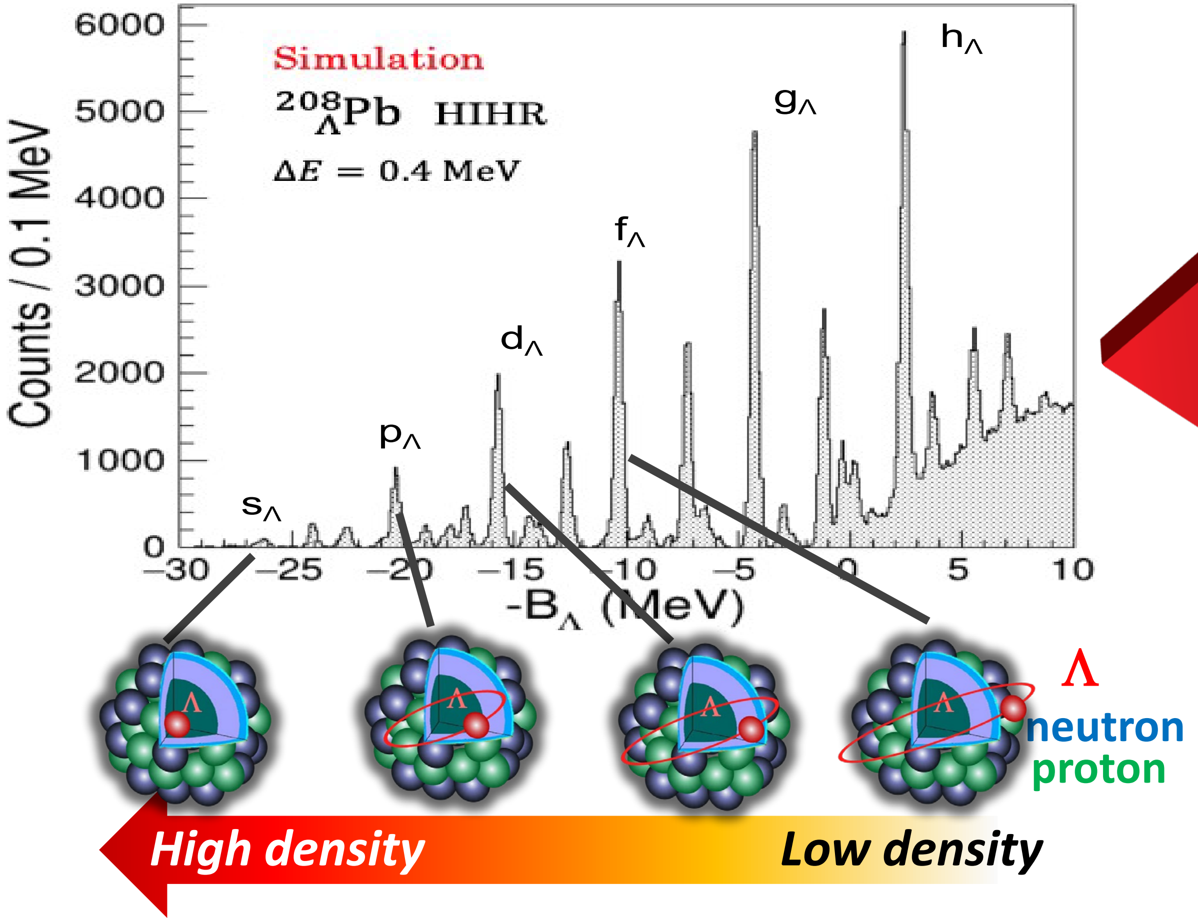

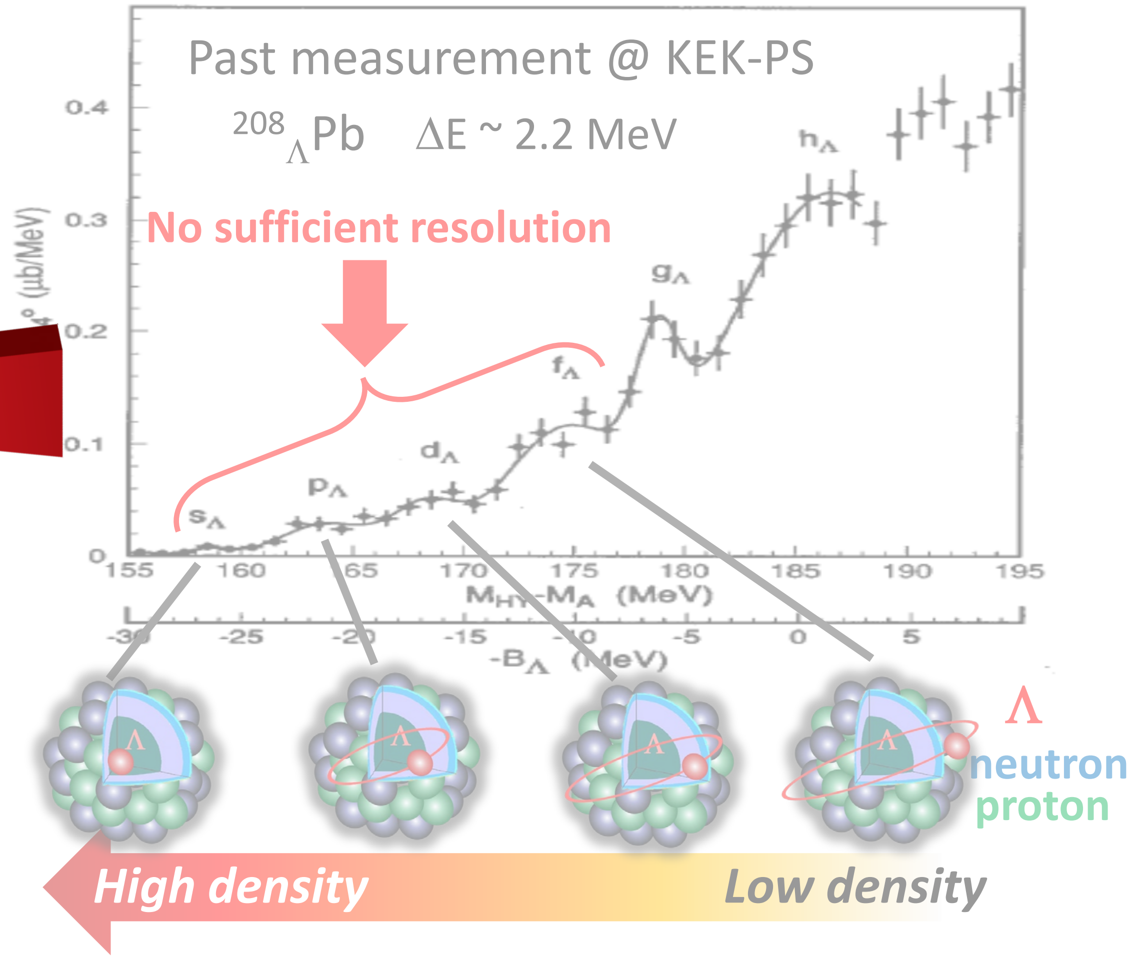

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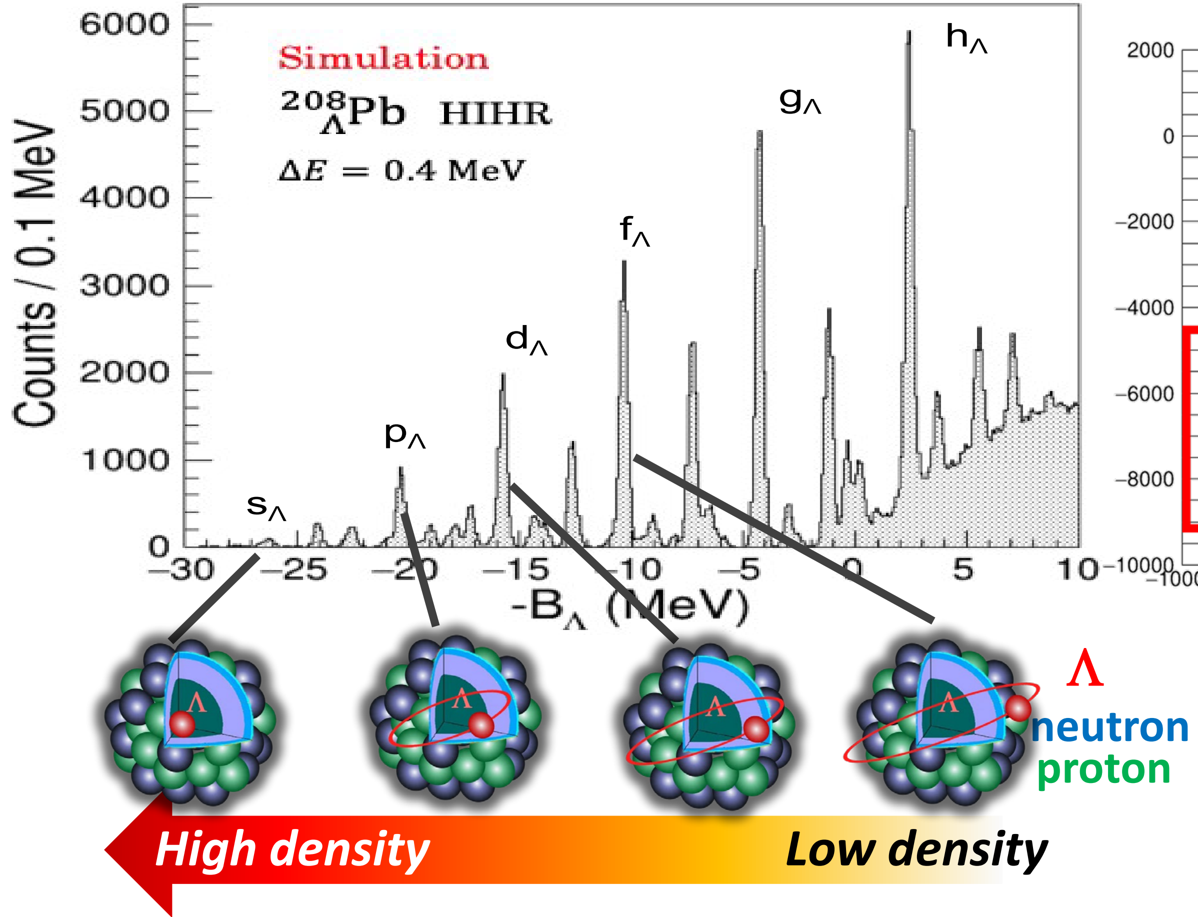
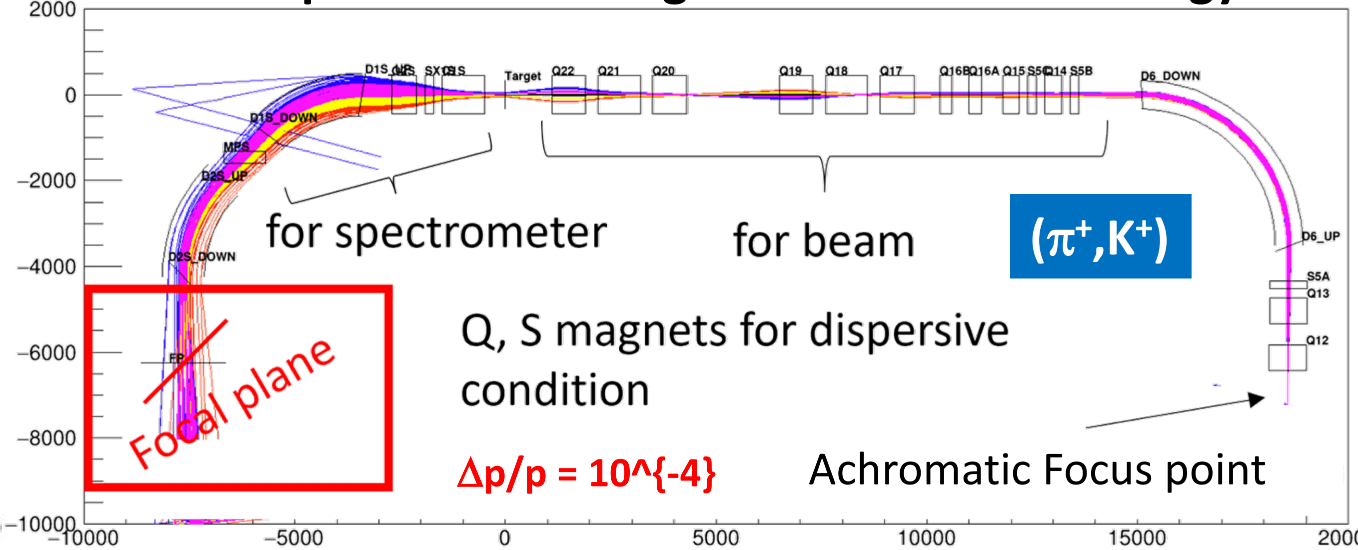


HIHR beam line (High-Intensity High-Resolution)

First dispersion-matching beam line in GeV energy



up to 2 GeV/c

- No need for beam tracking
- Intense π beam of > 10^8 /pulse

● **Break through the resolution limit:**

∼2.2 MeV → **better than ∼0.4 MeV** (FWHM)

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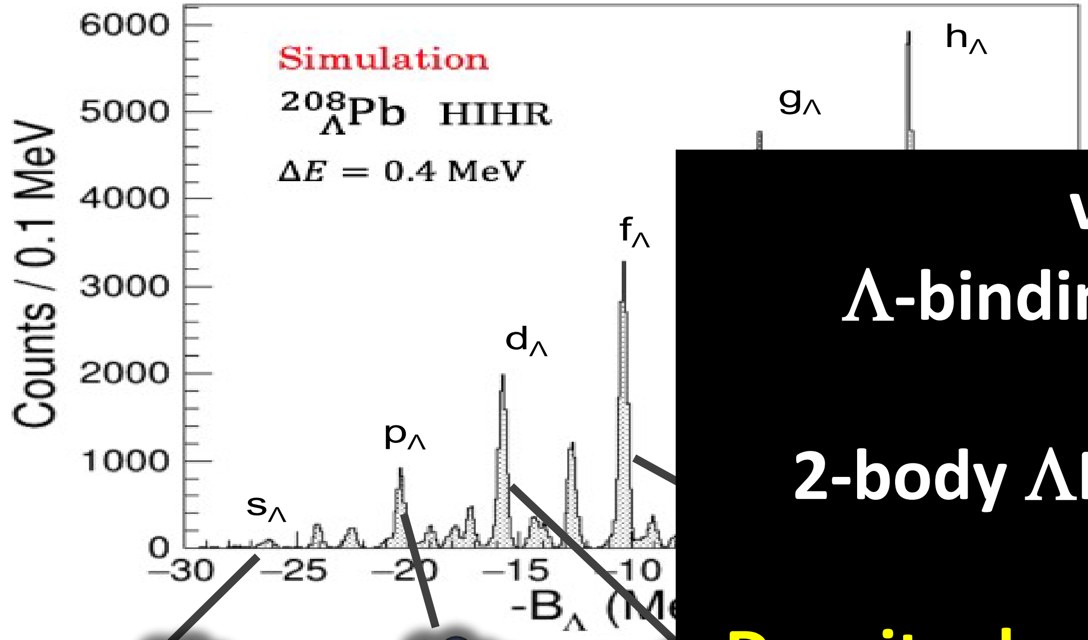

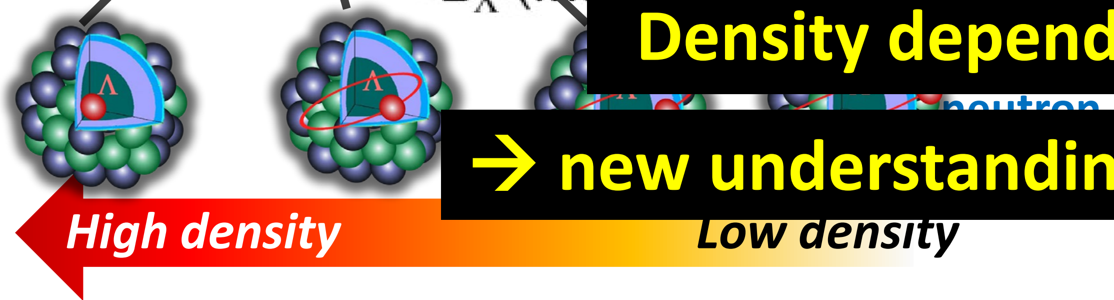

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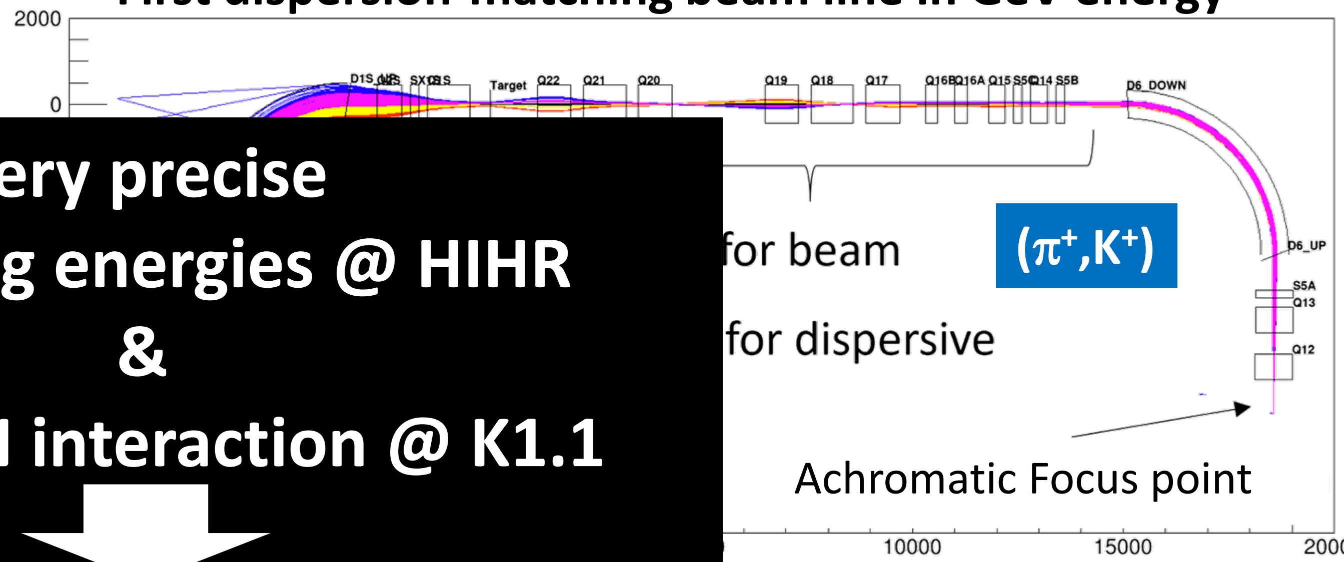

for beam

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very precise
Λ-binding energies @ HIHR
&
2-body ΛN interaction @ K1.1

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Density dependent ΛN interaction

→ new understanding of neutron star matter

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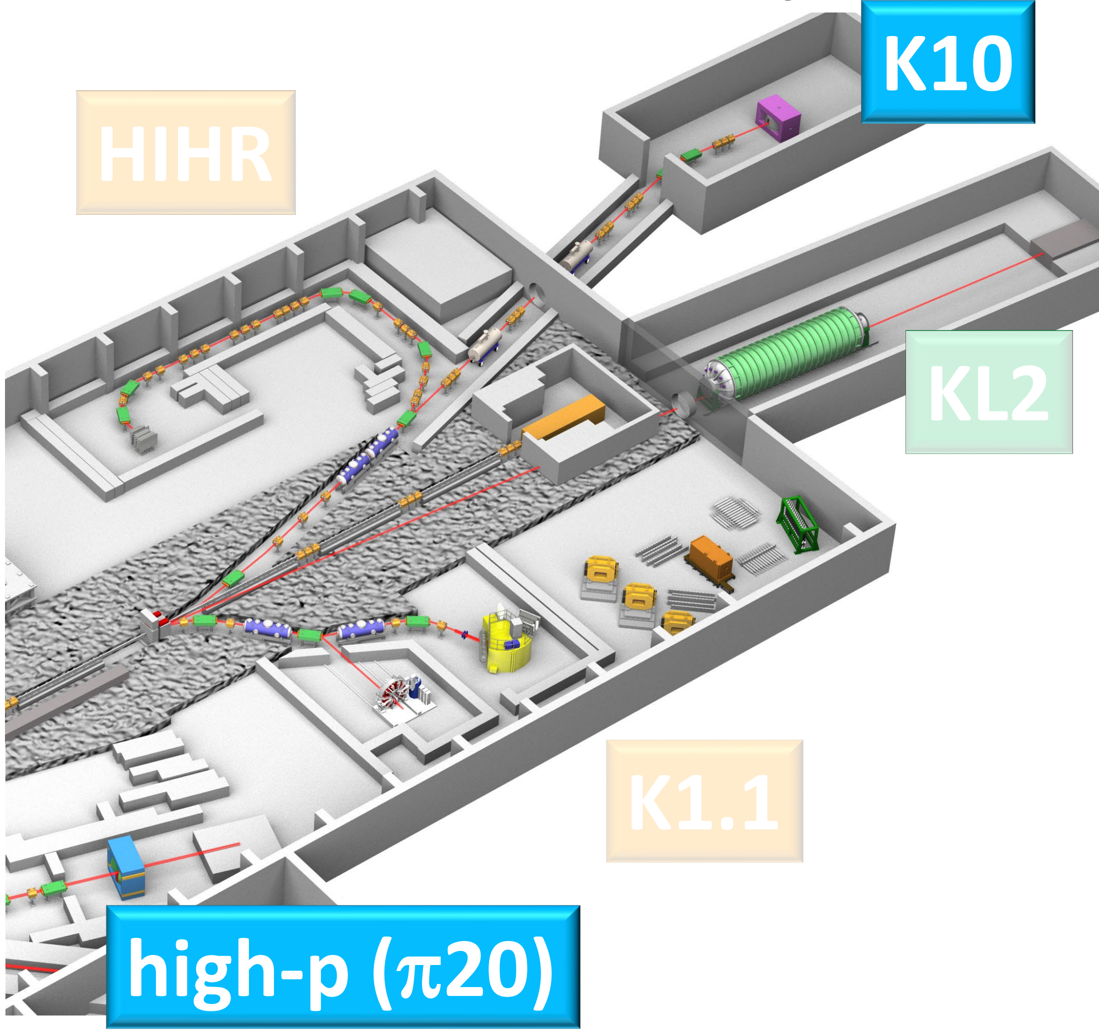

Behaver of non-perturbative QCD in low energy regime

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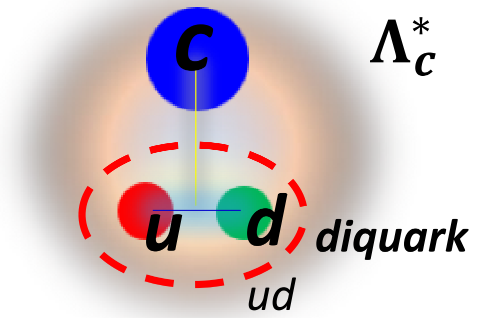

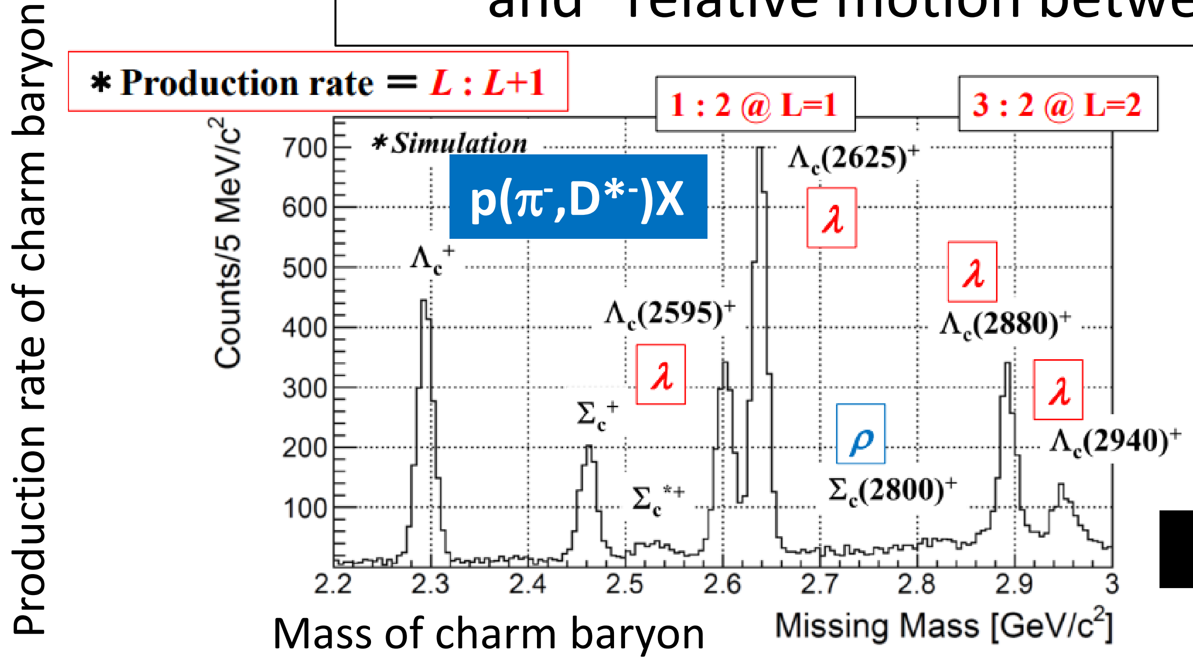

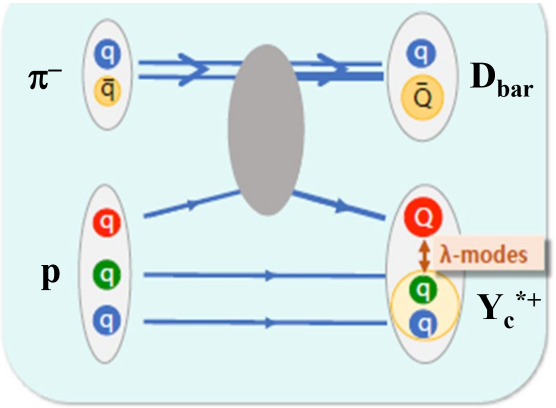

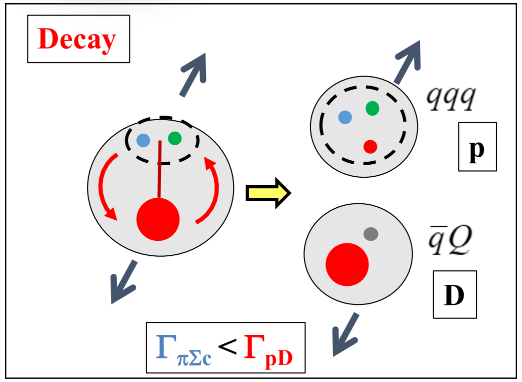

"production rate" and "decay rate" will give us information about diquark

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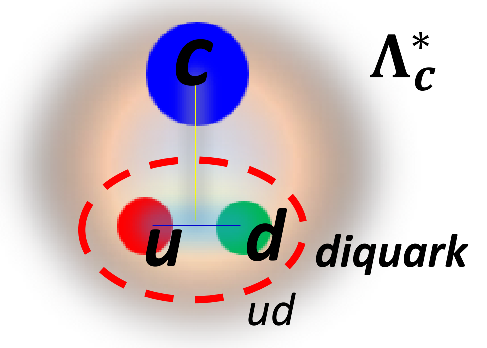


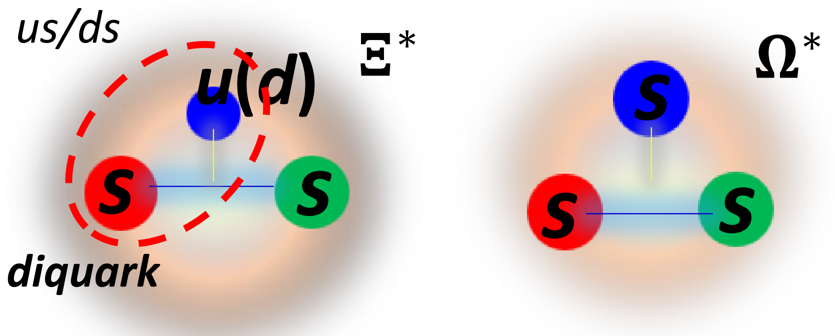
- **Multi-Strange Baryon Spectroscopy**
  using intense high-momentum K beam @ K10

Diquarks in different systems

Ξ^*: *us/ds* diquark

Ω^*: the simplest *sss* system

→ diquark is expected to be suppressed



Systematic measurements will reveal the internal structure of baryons through the diquarks

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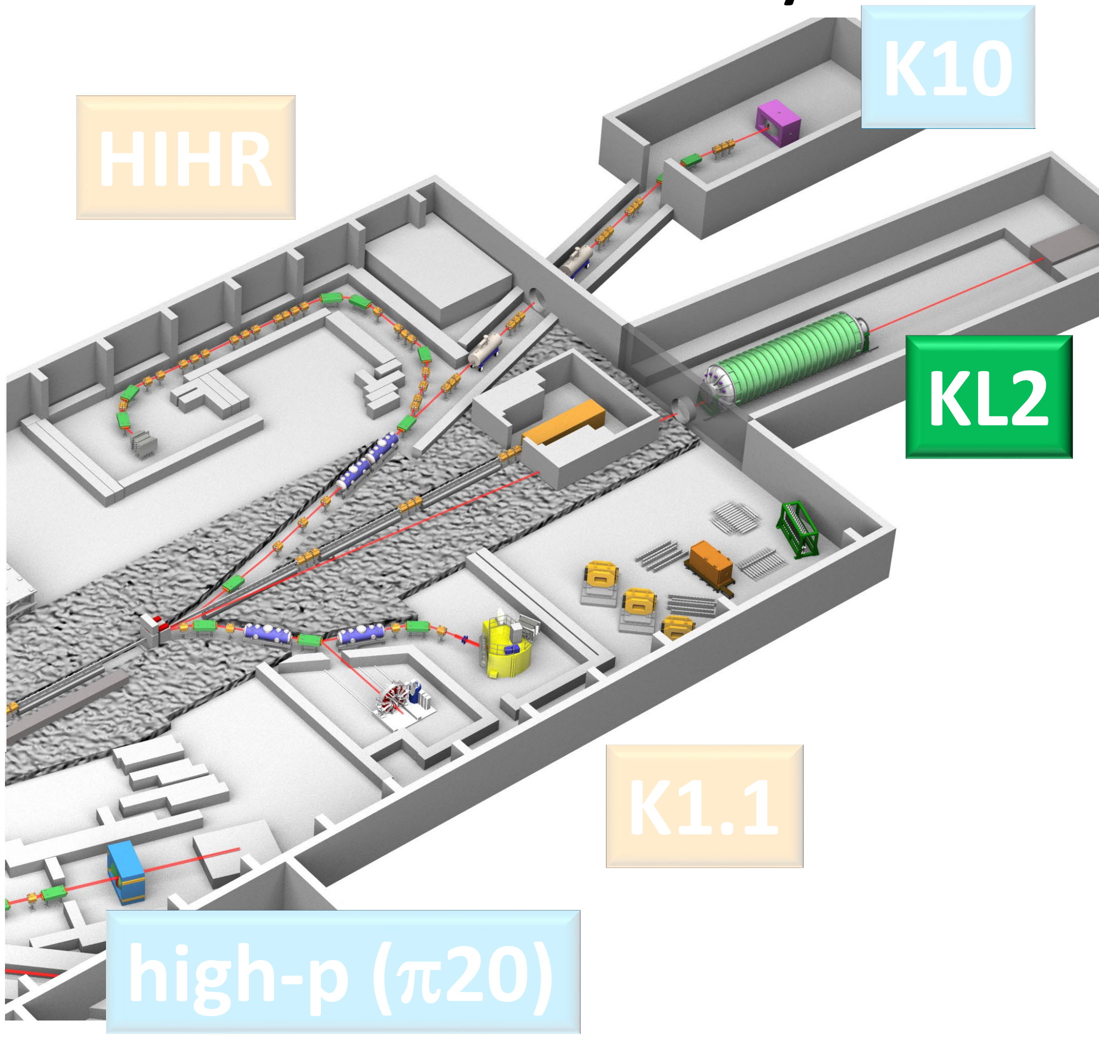


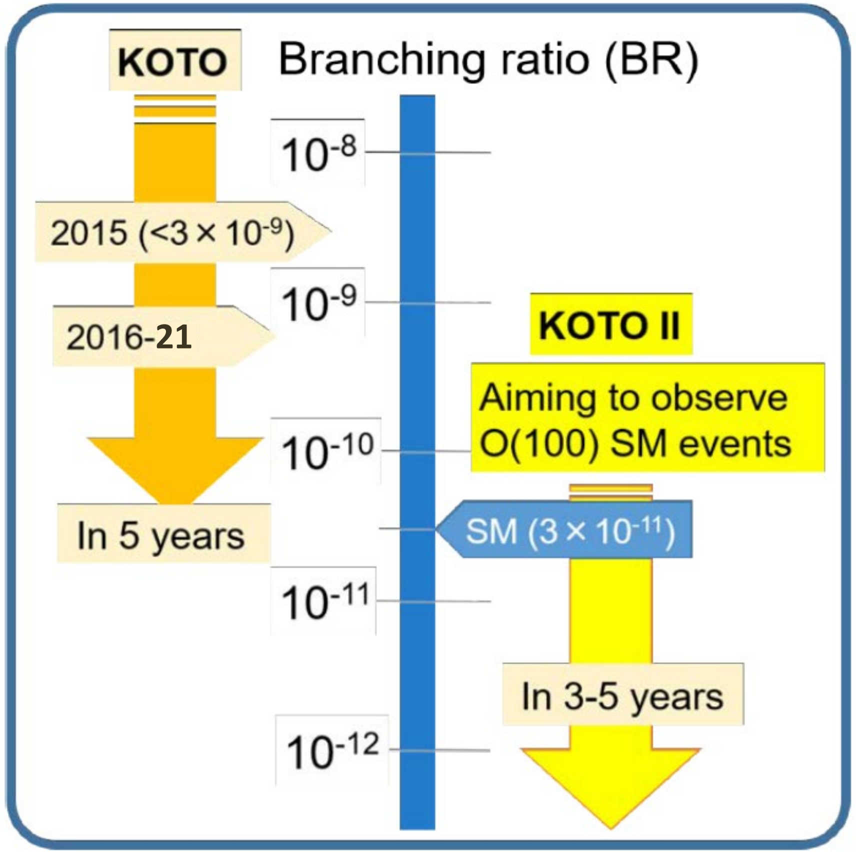
Flavor Physics: New Physics Search at KOTO Step-2

Is there new physics beyond the Standard Model?

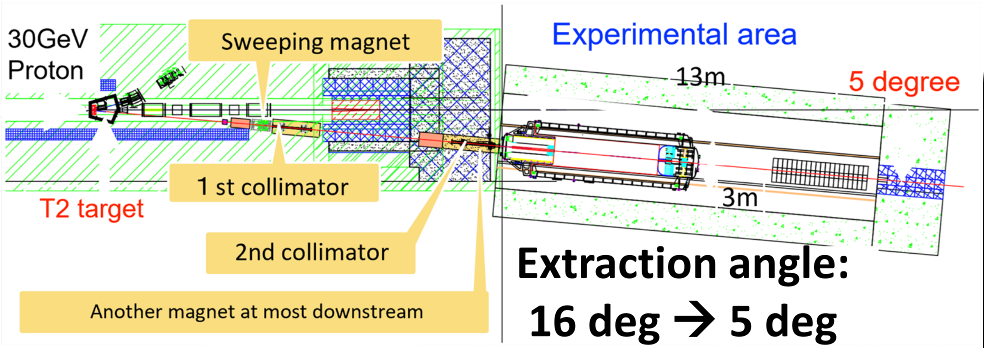
Rare kaon decay: $K_L^0 \to \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$

One of the best probes for new physics searches

- Directly break CP symmetry
- Suppressed in the SM → Branching ratio ～ 3×10^{-11}
- Small theoretical uncertainties (～2%)



Sensitive to ~*O*(100) TeV physics



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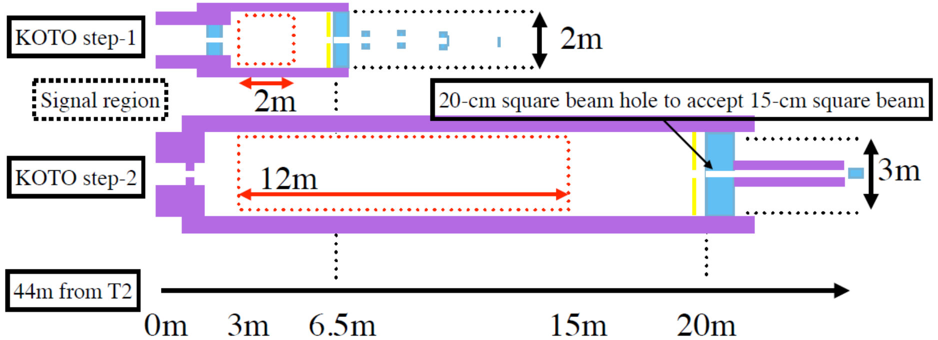
Intense neutral kaon beam @KL2 (~x2.6)



Ultra-high sensitivity detector (~x70)

KOTO Step-2

New physics search with world's highest sensitivity more than 100 times

- Discover the $K_L^0 \to \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$ signal with 5σ
- Measure the branching ratio with 30% accuracy

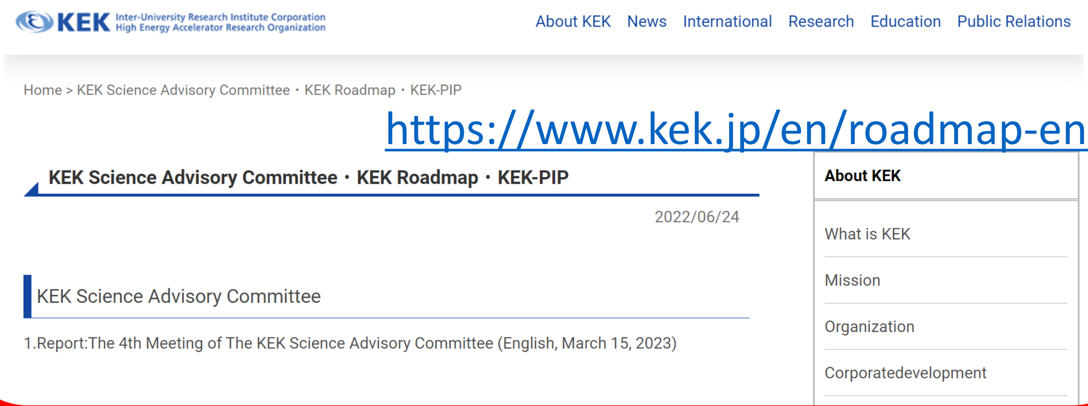
Indicate new physics, if deviation form the SM > 40%

Status of the Extension Project

listed as a candidate for government funding:

- ➢**MEXT Roadmap 2020** (2012, 2014)
- ➢**Science Council of Japan Master Plan 2020** (2011, 2014, 2017)

The project was selected as **the top-priority project** to be budgeted in the KEK mid-term plan (FY2022-26) at KEK-PIP2022 (Project Implementation Plan)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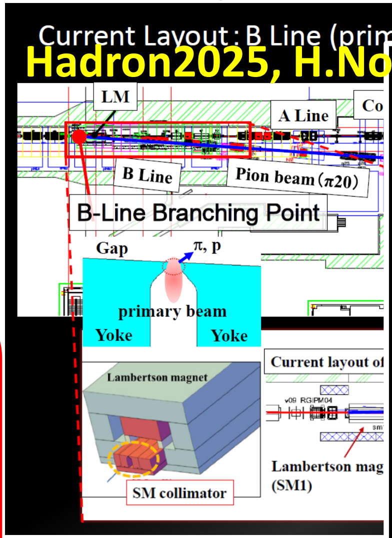

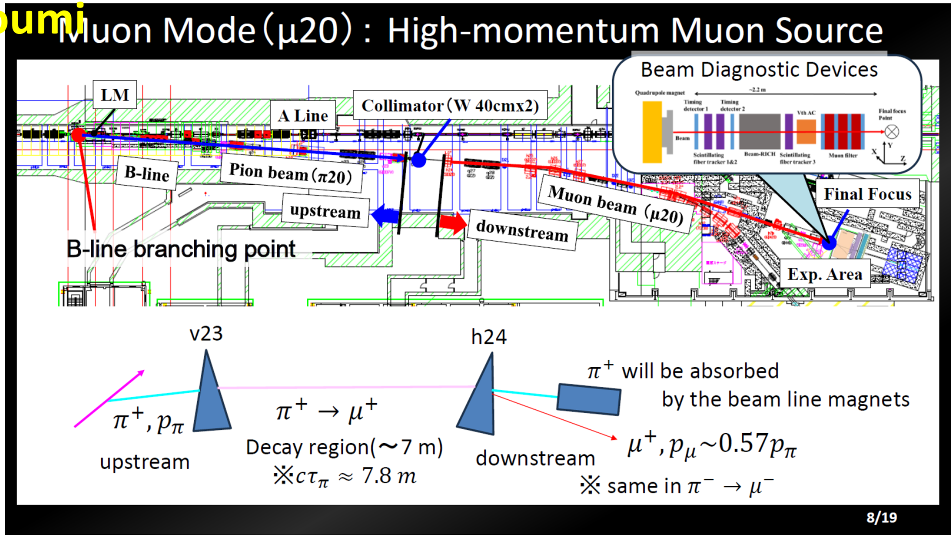

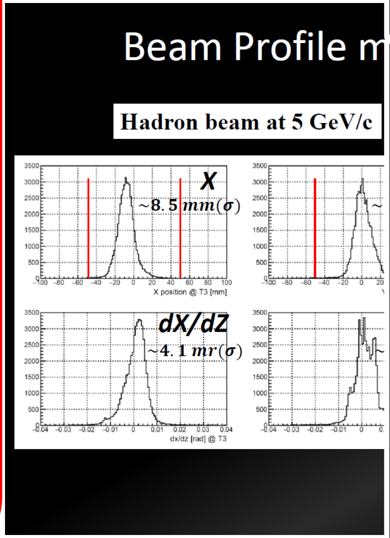

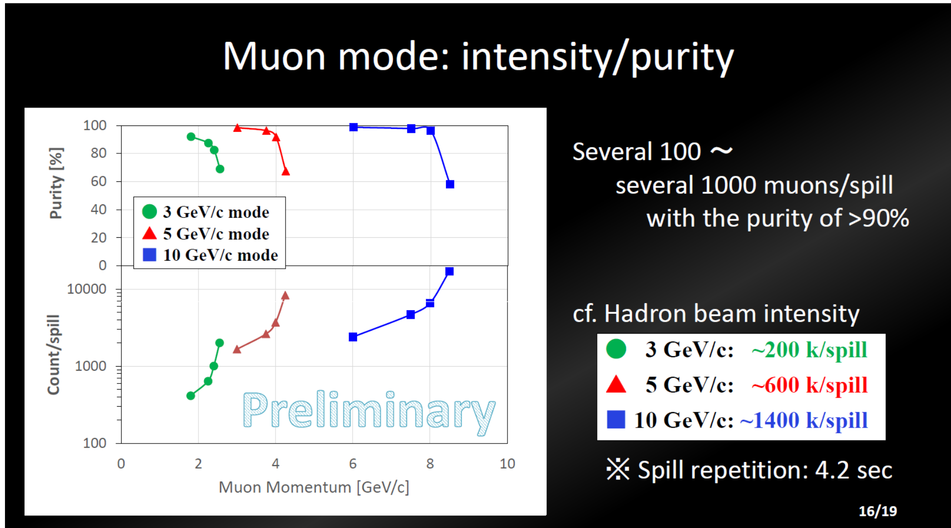

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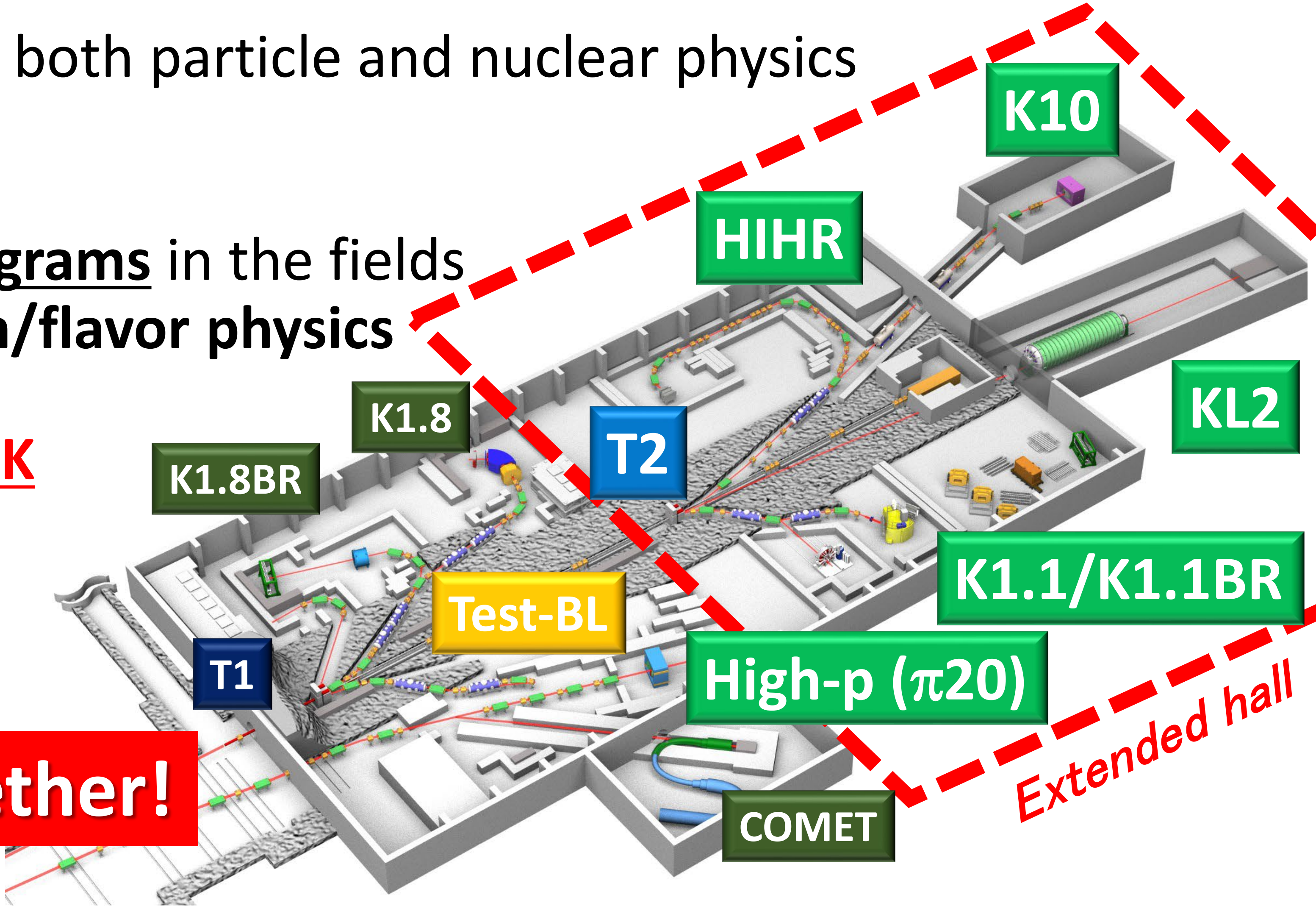
- **Unique research programs** in both particle and nuclear physics at high-intensity frontier

- **World's leading research programs** in the fields of **strangeness-nuclear/hadron/flavor physics**

- **Top-priority project in the KEK mid-term plan (FY2022-26)** /

→ Project is now ready to start

Let's move forward together!



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25-26 March 2009, IQBRC, Tokai

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5-6 March 2016, KEK Tokai Campus

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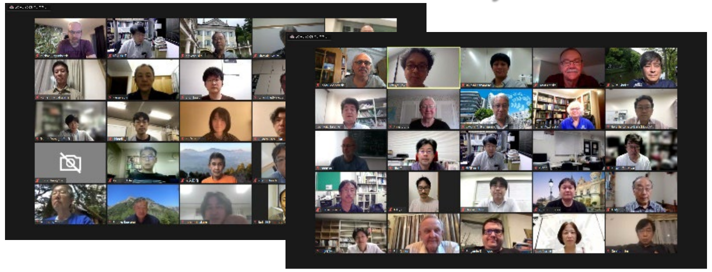

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