

# WHERE IS THE $H$ -DIBARYON?

## J-PARC E42

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# INTRODUCTION

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# Perhaps a Stable Dihyperon

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## Perhaps a Stable Dihyperon\*

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(Received 1 November 1976)

In the quark bag model, the same gluon-exchange forces which make the proton lighter than the  $\Delta(1236)$  bind six quarks to form a stable, flavor-singlet (with strangeness of  $-2$ )  $J^P = 0^+$  dihyperon ( $H$ ) at 2150 MeV. Another isosinglet dihyperon ( $H^*$ ) with  $J^P = 1^+$  at 2335 MeV should appear as a bump in  $\Lambda\Lambda$  invariant-mass plots. Production and decay systematics of the  $H$  are discussed.

- MIT bag model predicts di-hyperon state ( $H$ ) with

$$I = 0, \quad S = -2, \quad J^p = 0^+$$

and a mass of  $m_H = 2150$  MeV (by 80 MeV relative to  $2m_\Lambda$ ).

- $H^*$  with  $J^p = 1^+$  appears as a 2335-MeV bump in  $\Lambda\Lambda$  mass distribution.



# One Gluon Exchange Interaction

The one gluon exchange interaction potential is given by

$$\begin{aligned} V^{\text{OGEP}}(\vec{r}_i, \vec{r}_j) = & \frac{\alpha_s}{4} (\vec{\lambda}_i \cdot \vec{\lambda}_j) \left\{ \frac{1}{r} \right. \\ & - \frac{\pi}{m_q^2} \left( 1 + \frac{2}{3} \vec{\sigma}_i \cdot \vec{\sigma}_j \right) \delta(\vec{r}) \quad \text{(color - magnetic)} \\ & - \frac{1}{4m_q^2} (3\vec{\sigma}_i \cdot \hat{r} \vec{\sigma}_j \cdot \hat{r} - \vec{\sigma}_i \cdot \vec{\sigma}_j) \\ & - \frac{3}{2m_q^2} \frac{1}{r^3} (\vec{r} \times \frac{1}{2}(\vec{p}_i - \vec{p}_j)) \cdot \frac{1}{2}(\vec{\sigma}_i + \vec{\sigma}_j) \\ & \left. + \frac{1}{2m_q^2} \frac{1}{r^3} (\vec{r} \times \frac{1}{2}(\vec{p}_i + \vec{p}_j)) \cdot \frac{1}{2}(\vec{\sigma}_i - \vec{\sigma}_j) \right\} \end{aligned}$$



# Color Magnetic Interaction <sup>1</sup>

The color-magnetic interaction energy for the  $n$ -quark state in  $SU(3)$  representation  $[f]$  is given by

$$E_{cm} = E_0 \left[ n(n - 10) + C_2[f] + \frac{4}{3}S(S + 1) \right],$$

where  $S$  is the total spin and  $C_2[f]$  denotes the value of the quadratic Casimir operator ( $C_2 = 0$  for the singlet,  $C_2 = 12$  for the octet, and  $C_2$  for the decuplet). The overall constant  $E_0$  is given by a spatial integration of the quark wave functions.

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<sup>1</sup>M. Oka, QCD analysis of the  $H$ -dibaryon arXiv:hep9510354v1 (1995).



# Color Magnetic Interaction <sup>2</sup>

$$E_{cm} = E_0 \left[ n(n-10) + C_2[f] + \frac{4}{3}S(S+1) \right],$$

- $E_0 \approx 18$  MeV from the  $N - \Delta$  mass splitting ( $C_2 = 12$  for  $N$  and  $24$  for  $\Delta$ , and  $4/3 \cdot S(S+1) = 1$  for  $N$  and  $5$  for  $\Delta$ , so  $E_0 = (M_\Delta - M_N)/16 \approx 18$  MeV.)
- The minimum  $E_{cm}$  for  $S = 0$  and  $C_2 = 0$  ( $J = 0$  and flavor singlet):

$$E_{cm}^{\min} = -24E_0$$

- $E_{cm}(H) = -450$  MeV ???

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# Phenomenological Fit to Hadron Spectrum <sup>3</sup>

## COLOR-MAGNETIC INTERACTION FOR $qq$ AND $q\bar{q}$

$$V_{q_1 q_2} = C_M \vec{s}_1 \cdot \vec{s}_2 \frac{1}{m_1 m_2}, \quad V_{q\bar{q}} = C_B \vec{s}_q \cdot \vec{s}_{\bar{q}} \frac{1}{m_q m_{\bar{q}}},$$

where  $C_M \approx 3C_B = 635 m_u^2$ .

Diquark	(ud)	(us)	(ds)
$V_{qq}$	$A$	$\frac{3}{5}A$	$\frac{3}{5}A$

$$A = \frac{3}{4} \frac{C_B}{m_u^2} = 145 \text{ MeV}$$

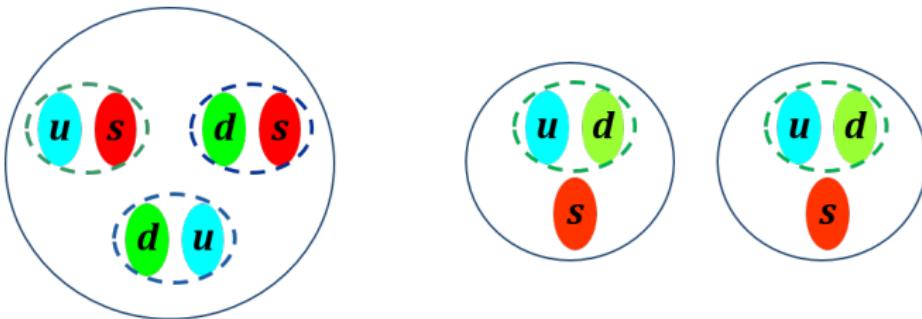
$$m_u = m_d = 300 \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_s = 500 \text{ MeV}$$

<sup>3</sup>S.H. Lee, *Few ideas on Hadronic Physics at RHIC/LHC.*



# $H$ -Dibaryon : (ud)(us)(ds)



- H-dibaryon :  $\Delta V = -29 \text{ MeV}$

$$V = -\frac{3}{4} \frac{C_B}{m_u^2} - 2 \cdot \frac{3}{4} \frac{C_B}{m_u m_s} = -145 - 2 \cdot 145 \frac{3}{5} = -319 \text{ MeV},$$

where  $m_u \approx m_s$  and  $m_s \approx 5/3m_u$ .

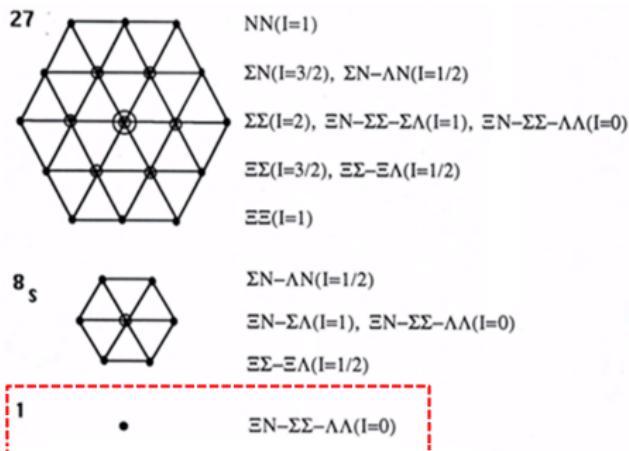
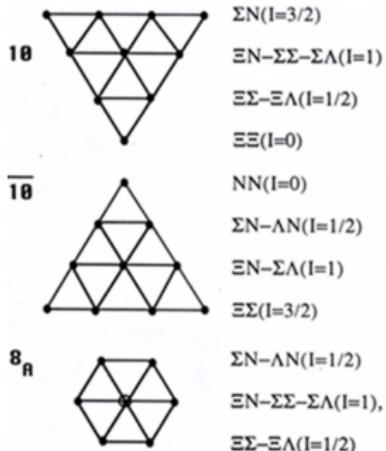
- $\Lambda + \Lambda$  :

$$V = \frac{3}{4} \frac{C_B}{m_u^2} - \frac{3}{4} \frac{C_B}{m_u^2} = -290 \text{ MeV}$$



# H-Dibaryon (Hexaquark State)

- A stable  $SU(3)_f$  singlet hexaquark state consisting of  $uuddss$  quarks due to QCD color magnetic force : H-Dibaryon.



# Baryon-Baryon System <sup>4</sup>

- The flavor-singlet two-baryon state:

$$|H\rangle \approx \frac{\mathcal{A}}{\sqrt{8}}(|\Lambda\Lambda\rangle + \sqrt{4}|N\Xi\rangle - \sqrt{3}|\Sigma\Sigma\rangle),$$

where  $\mathcal{A}$  is the antisymmetrization operator for the six quarks.

- $H$  couples most strongly to  $N\Xi$  and that a  $N\Xi$  bound state will appear in the  $\Lambda\Lambda$  spectrum as a sharp resonance state.

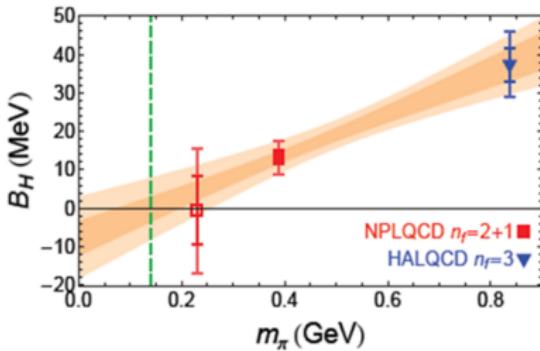
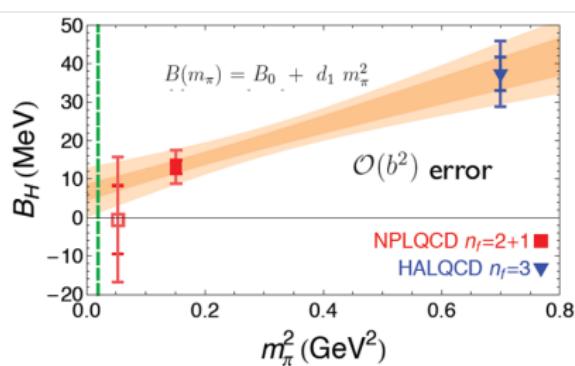
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# H-Dibaryon from Lattice QCD in 2011<sup>5</sup>

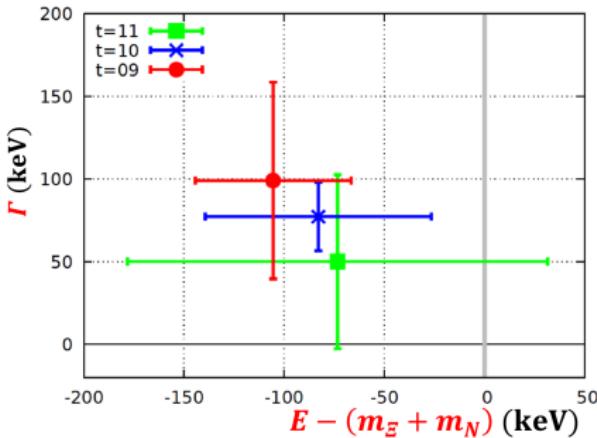
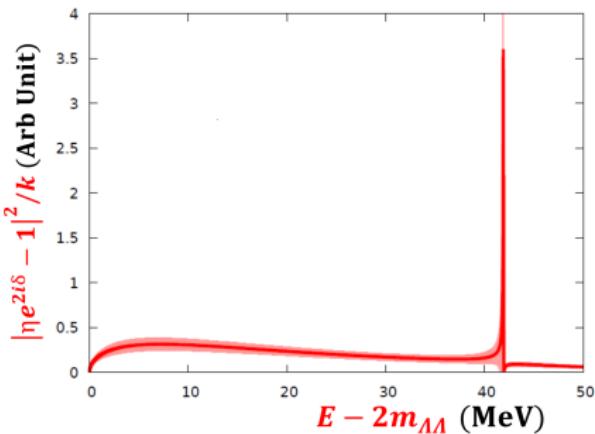
- Recent LQCD calculations seem to point to a weekly bound  $H$  or resonant state although we have got to wait for definite results with physical quark masses.



<sup>5</sup>HAL Collab., PRL 106 (2011)/ NPLQCD Collab. PRL 106 (2011)/  
Shanahan, Thomas, Young, PRL 107 (2011)

# Recent Lattice QCD Calculation Result

- Preliminary results with  $L = 8$  fm and  $m_\pi = 145$  MeV.
- $\Lambda\Lambda$  and  $N\Xi$  ( $I = 0$ )  $^1S_0$  phase shifts<sup>6</sup>



- Deuteron-like  $N\Xi$  bound system from ESC model.<sup>7</sup>

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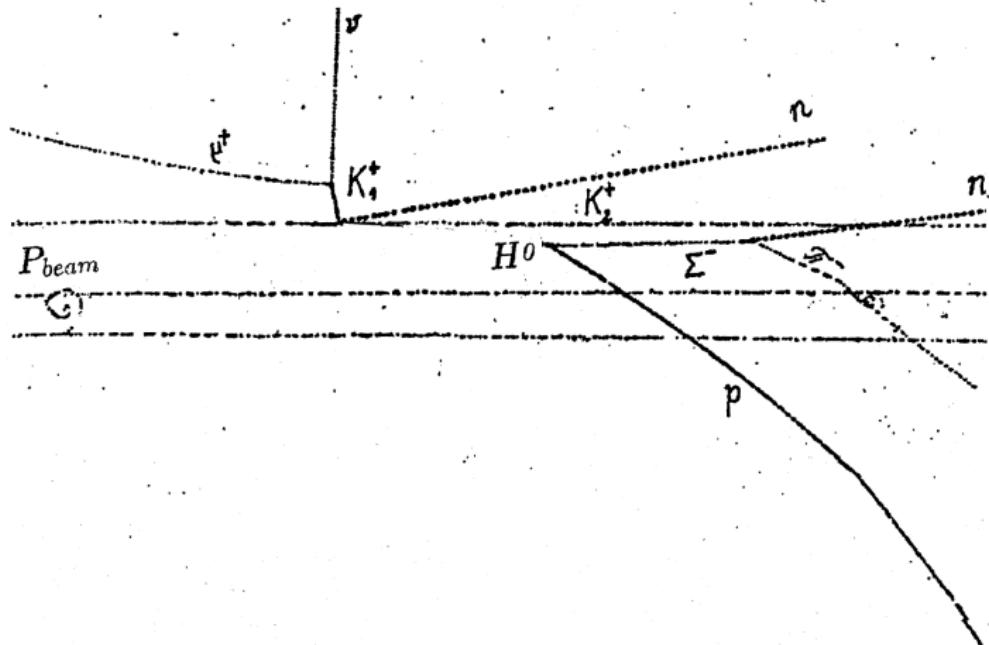
<sup>7</sup>Y. Yamamoto, NSMAT2016



## EXPERIMENTAL REVIEW

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# Candidate for $H \rightarrow \Sigma^- p$ in a Propane Bubble Chamber<sup>8</sup>

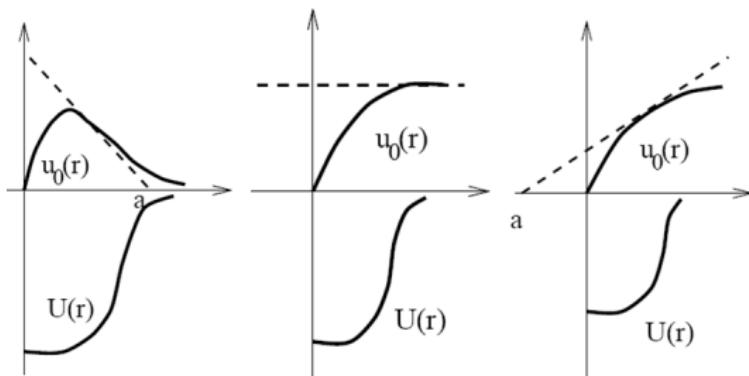


<sup>8</sup>B.A. Shahbazian, et al., Z. Phys. C 39, 151 (1988).



# Bound, Virtual State ( $a_{\Lambda\Lambda} = \infty$ ), or Resonance?

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- Resonance : Breit-Wigner peak in the  $\Lambda\Lambda$  mass spectrum



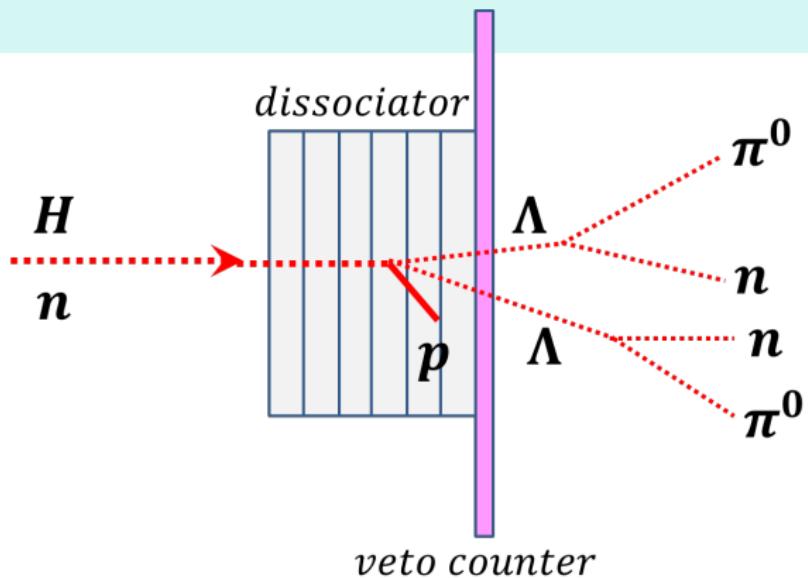
# H-Dibaryon Searches

1.  $H$  search in  $(K^-, K^+)$  reactions from J-PARC E42.
2. Long-lived  $H$  search in the  $H \rightarrow \Lambda n \pi^0$  decay at J-PARC E14.
3.  $H$  production in the  $\gamma d \rightarrow K^+ K^0 H$  reaction at SPring-8 ( $E_\gamma^{\text{th}} = 1.83$  GeV for  $m_H = 2m_\Lambda$ ).
4.  $H$  search in  $\Lambda\Lambda$  at Belle-II.



# H-Dibaryon Search in $p + Pt$ Collisions at 24.1 GeV/ $c^9$

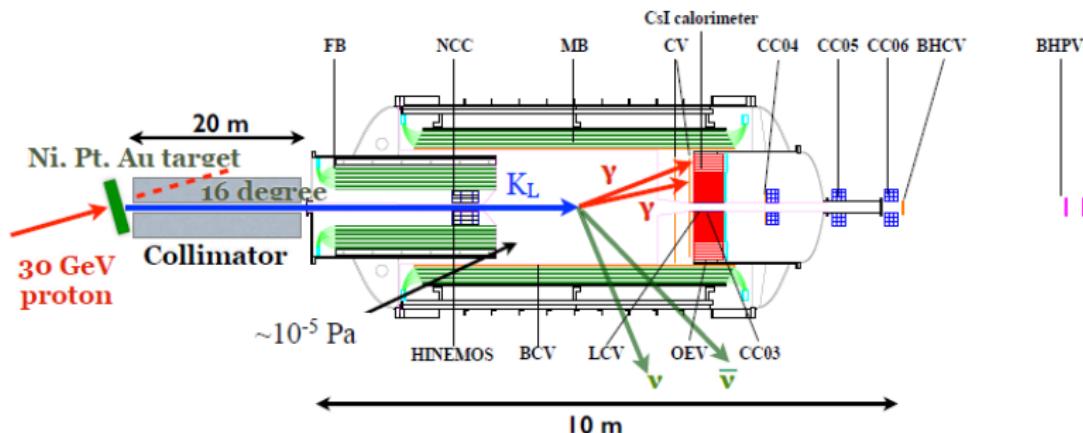
- $p + Pt \rightarrow H + X$  and  $H \rightarrow \Lambda\Lambda$



<sup>9</sup>J. Belz, et al. (BNL-E888 Collaboration), Phys. Rev. D 53, R3487 (1996).

# Neutron Beam from $p + Au$ Collisions at J-PARC <sup>10</sup>

- Search for the  $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0\nu\bar{\nu}$  with a CsI calorimeter and hermetic veto detectors.

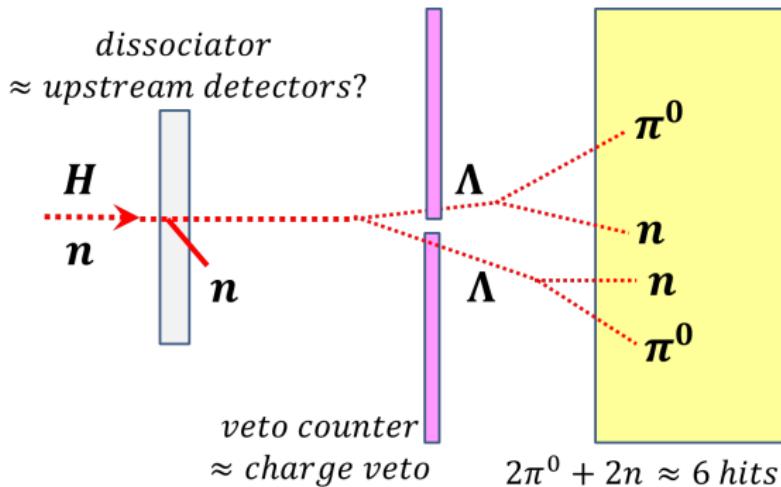


<sup>10</sup>KOTO Collaboration, J-PARC E14



# H-Dibaryon Search in $p + Au$ Collisions at 30 GeV <sup>11</sup>

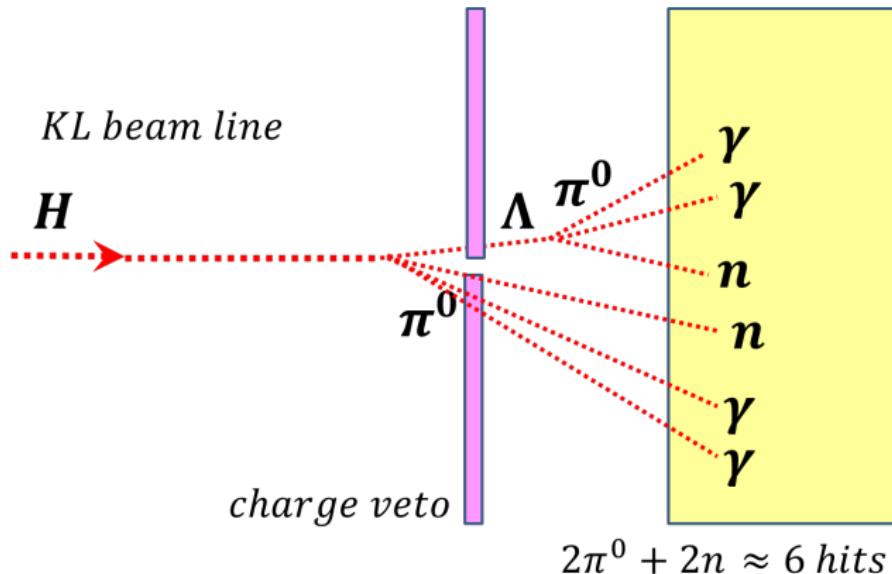
- Search for the  $H \rightarrow \Lambda\Lambda$  decays.



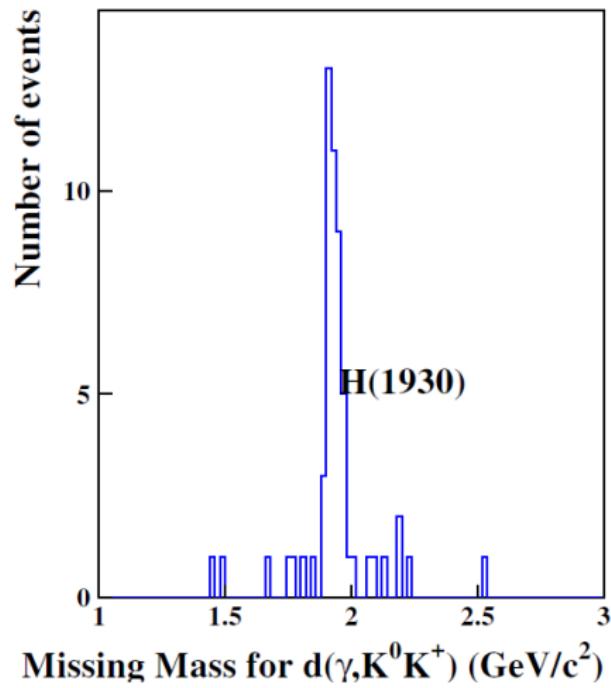
<sup>11</sup>KOTO Collaboration, J-PARC E14

# H-Dibaryon Search with J-PARC-E14 KOTO

- $p + Pt \rightarrow H + X$  and  $H \rightarrow \Lambda n \pi^0$



# H-Dibaryon Search from Photoproduction <sup>12</sup>



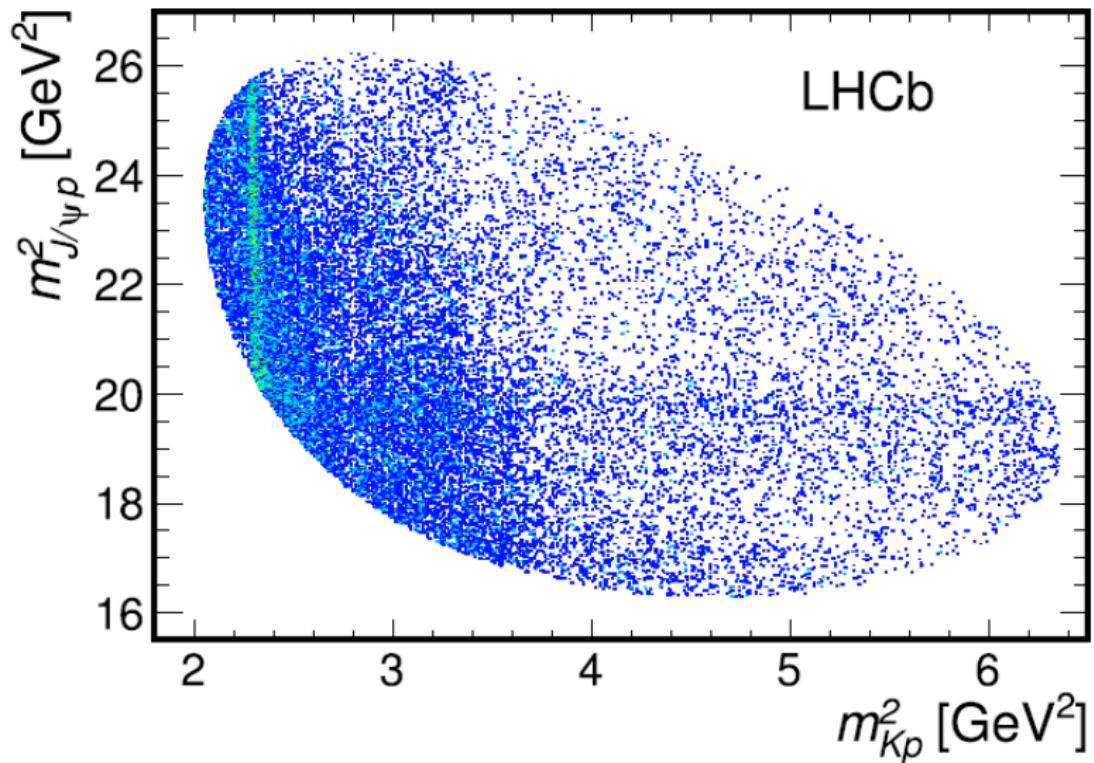
- $\gamma d \rightarrow K^+ K^0 H$  reaction  
( $E_\gamma^{\text{th}} = 1.83 \text{ GeV}$  for  
 $m_H = 2m_\Lambda$ )
- $\gamma p \rightarrow K^+ \bar{K}^0 n$   
( $a_0^+ \rightarrow K^+ \bar{K}^0$ )

<sup>12</sup>LEPS Collaboration, SPring-8



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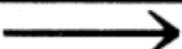
# LHCb Observation Revived Pentaquarks!



# $S = -2$ Dibaryons in Particle Data Book (1982)

**S=-2 DIBARYON**

Status: \*



108 BARYON NUMBER 2, STRANGENESS -2 STATES

IN THIS SECTION WE USE THE FOLLOWING ABBREVIATIONS FOR MEASURED QUANTITIES--

LLIM LAMBDA-LAMBDA INVARIANT MASS  
LPPI LAMBDA-LAMBDA-PI INVARIANT MASS  
XPIM XI-P INVARIANT MASS

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### 108 B=2, S=-2 -- MASS (MEV)

M	A	(2367.0)	(4.0)	BEILLIERE 72 LLIM Q=0 GAUSSIAN FIT
M	B	(2365.3)	(9.6)	SHAHBAZIA 73 LLIM Q=0
M	C	(2480.0)		GOYAL 80 XPIM Q=0
M	B	(3568.3)		SHAHBAZIA 82 LPPI Q=1
M				
M	A	K- D TO XI- P KO.		
M	B	N P TO LAMBDA LAMBDA X AND PI- P TO LAMBDA LAMBDA X FOR P IN C12.		
M	C	GOYAL 80 ALSO SEES A SHOULDER AT 2360 MEV.		

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### 108 B=2, S=0 -- WIDTH (MEV)

W	A	(15.0)	(4.0)	BEILLIERE 72 LLIM Q=0 GAUSSIAN FIT
W	B	(47.0)	(15.7)	SHAHBAZIA 73 LLIM Q=0

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# 40 Year History since the H-Dibaryon Prediction

- 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  $^{6}_{\Lambda\Lambda}$  He (E373)
- 1998,2007 • Enhanced  $\Lambda\Lambda$  production near threshold was reported from E224 and E522 at KEK-PS.
- 2013-2015 • No evidence for  $H \rightarrow \Lambda p\pi^-$  and  $H \rightarrow \Lambda\Lambda$  in high-energy  $e^+e^-$ ,  $pp$  and  $AA$  experiments
- 2011-2016 • LQCD calculations predict the H-dibaryon to appear near (just above) threshold
- Present • J-PARC E42 under preparation



J-PARC E42

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# H-Dibaryon Search at J-PARC : E42

The existence of the H-dibaryon still awaits definitive experimental confirmation or exclusion.

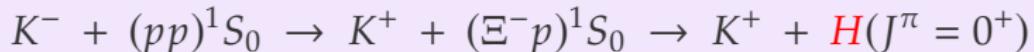
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## J-PARC-E42 EXPERIMENT

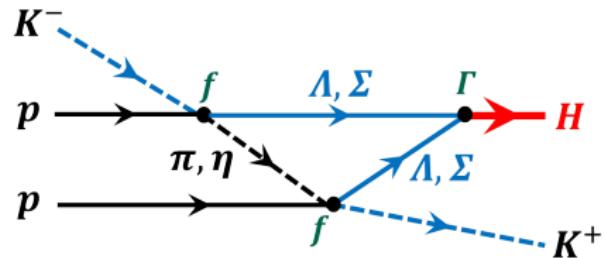
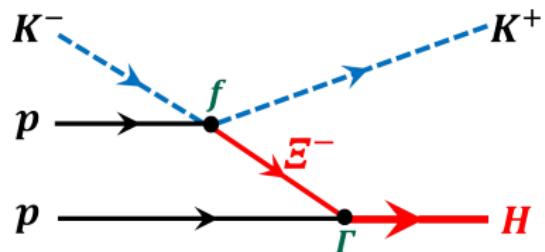
1. in  $(\Sigma^- p)$ ,  $\Lambda p \pi^-$ ,  $\Lambda\Lambda$  and  $\Xi^- p$  channels
2. by tagging the  $S = -2$  system production
3. via  $(K^-, K^+)$  reactions **at 1.7 GeV/c** with a diamond target.
4. Hyperon Spectrometer : **1 MeV**  $\Lambda\Lambda$  mass resolution!



# $H$ Production from $(K^-, K^+)$ Reactions



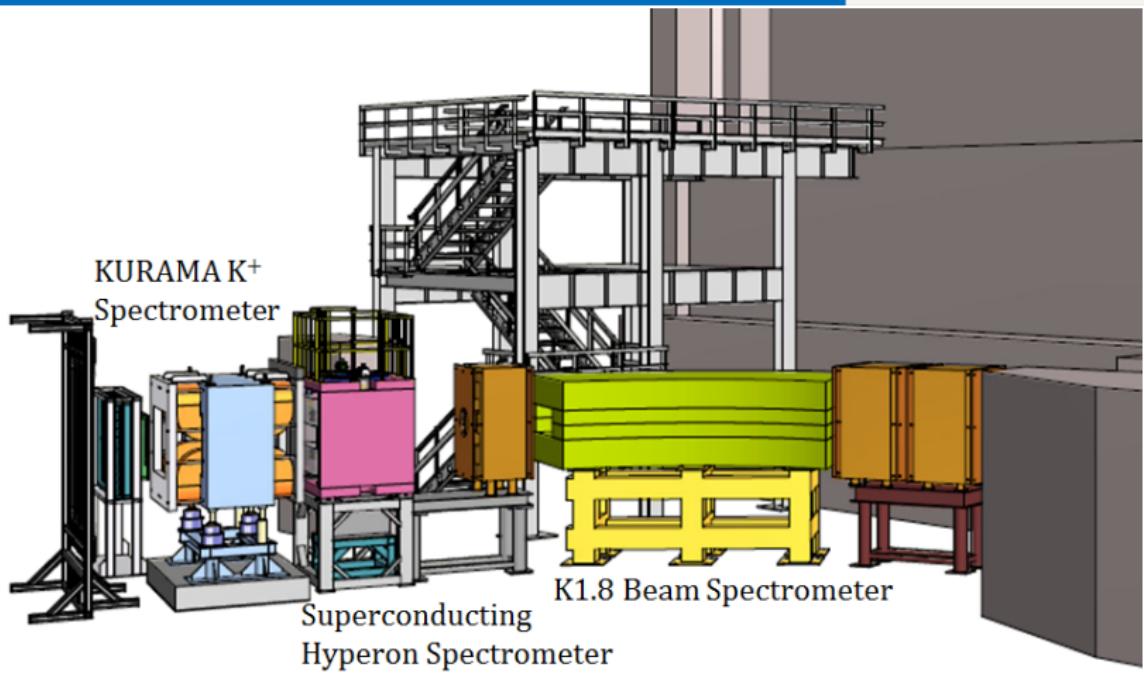
- Possible  $H$  production processes on a diproton pair via the  $(K^-, K^+)$  reaction<sup>13 14</sup>:



<sup>13</sup>N. Aizawa and M. Hirata, Z. Phys. A 343, 103 (1992)

<sup>14</sup>A.T.M. Aerts and C.B. Dover, Phys. Rev. D28, 450 (1983)

# Hyperon Spectrometer at K1.8 Beam Line of J-PARC



- The Hyperon spectrometer consists of a time projection chamber (**HypTPC**) and the **superconducting Helmholtz magnet**.

# Superconducting Dipole Magnet

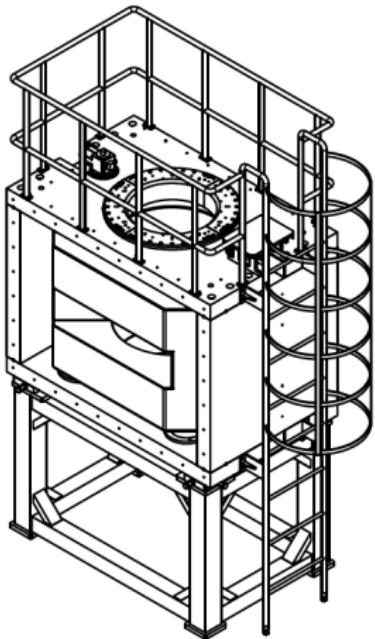
- Helmholtz-type dipole magnet<sup>a</sup>
- $B$  field at center : 1.5 T (1.0 T for E42)
- **Conduction cooling** with two GM refrigerators
- Field uniformity  $B_r/B_y < 1\%$  over the inner volume ( $\phi = 500$  mm)



Photo of inner volume ( $\phi = 800$  mm)



Photo of the Helmholtz magnet for field measurement



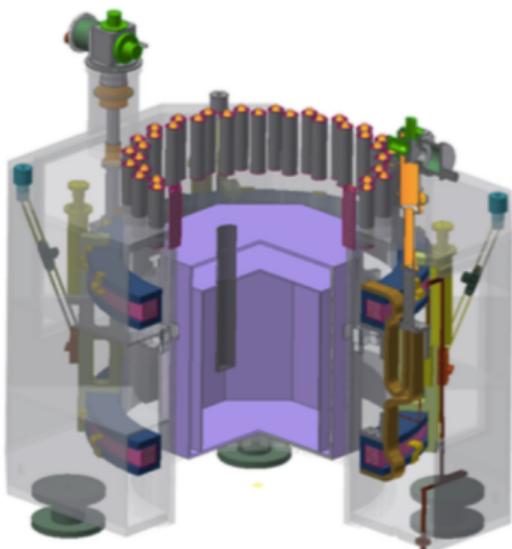
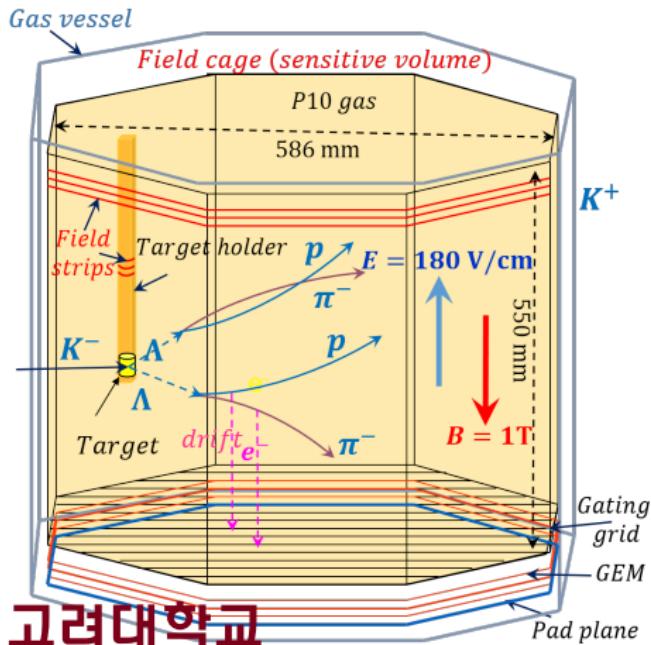
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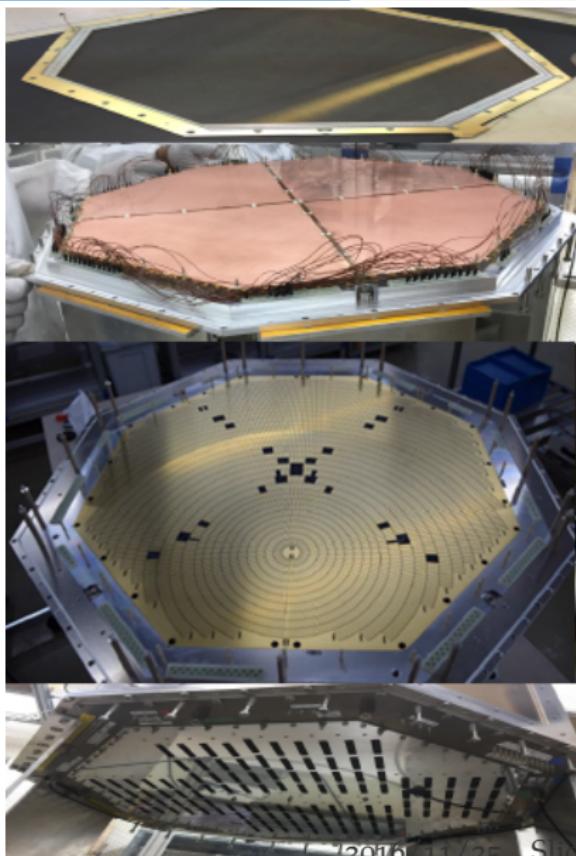
# Time Projection Chamber

- Octagonal prism field cage and a readout chamber consisting of a gating-grid, a triple GEM layer and a concentric pad plane (5768 pads)

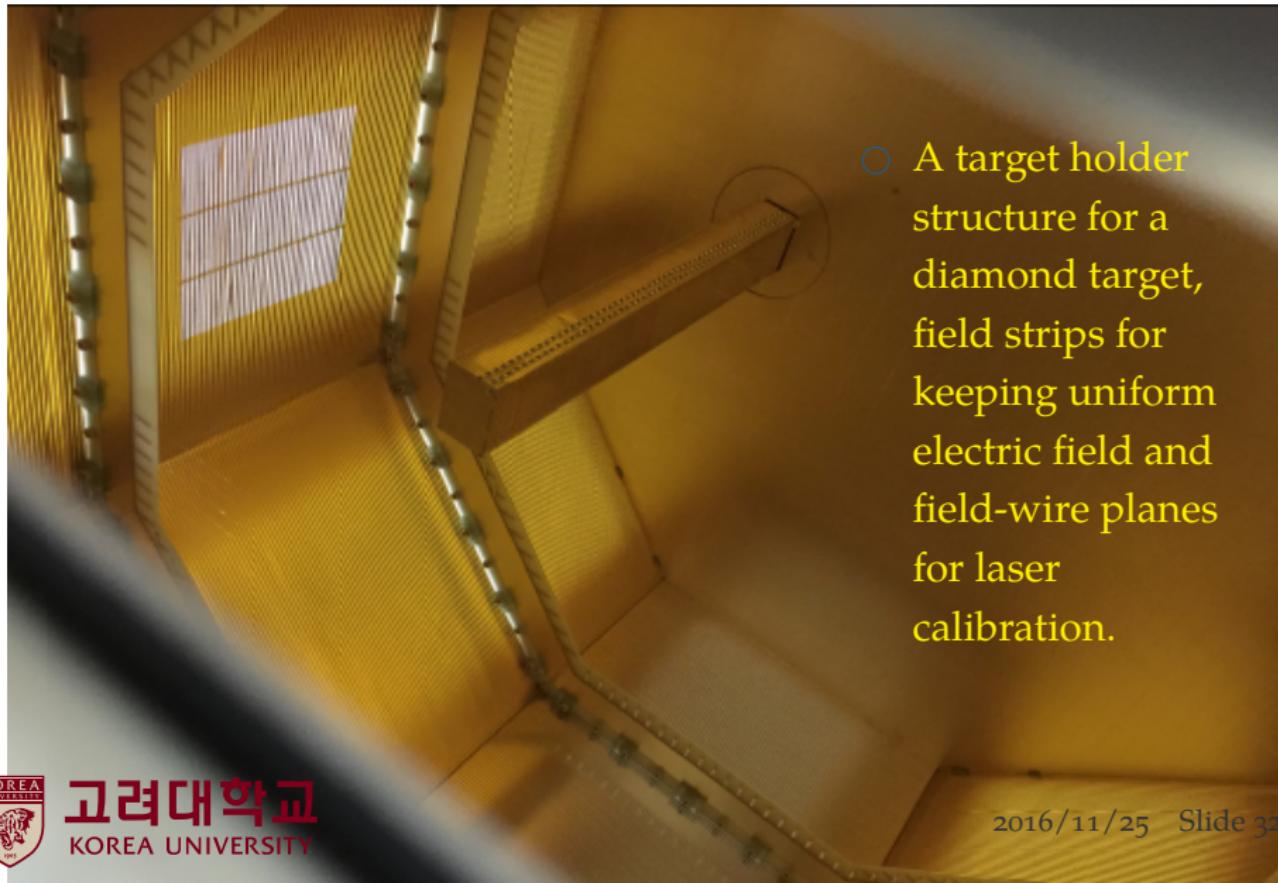


# HypTPC Structure

- Four GEM ( $250 \times 250 \text{ mm}^2$ ) sheets per layer
- Triple GEM layers ( $50 \mu\text{m}$  +  $50 \mu\text{m}$  +  $100 \mu\text{m}$ )
- Gain  $\sim 10^4$
- 10 inner pad rows with  $2.1\text{-}2.7 \times 9 \text{ mm}^2$ .
- 22 outer pad rows with  $2.3\text{-}2.4 \times 12.5 \text{ mm}^2$ .
- Position resolution  $< 300 \mu\text{m}$
- $\Delta p/p = 1\text{-}3\%$  for  $\pi$  and  $p$ .



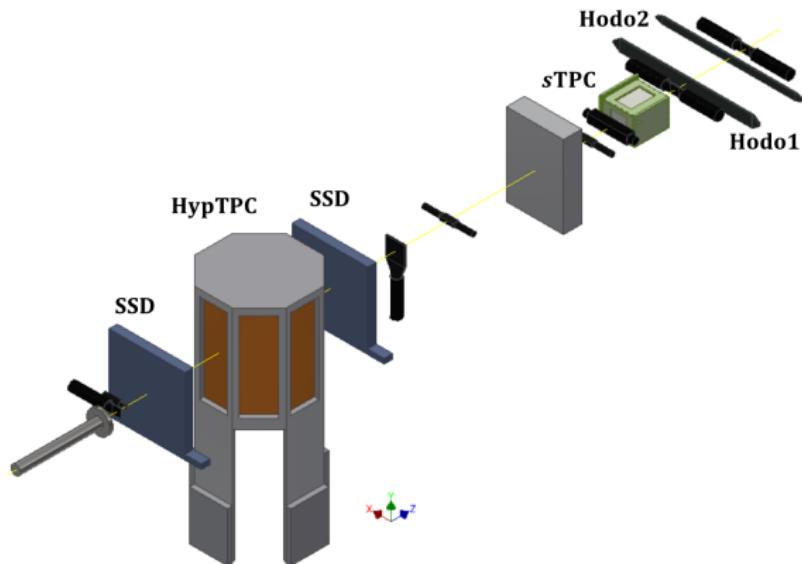
# Inside the HypTPC



- A target holder structure for a diamond target, field strips for keeping uniform electric field and field-wire planes for laser calibration.



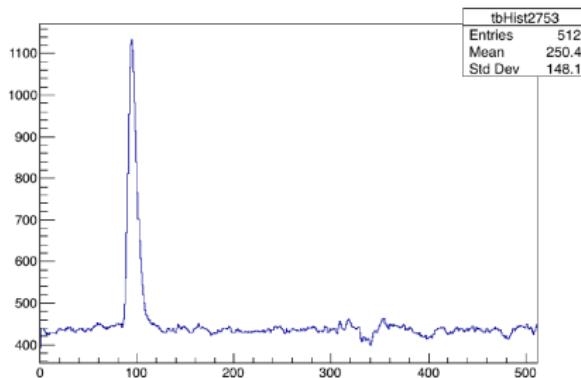
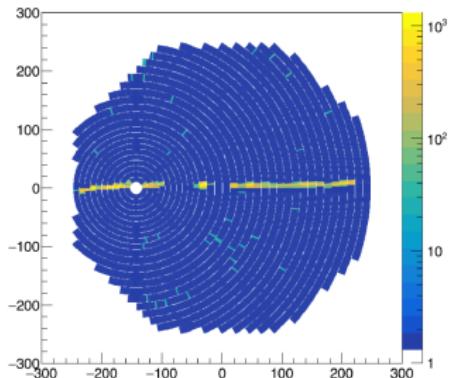
# First Beam Test with HypTPC at ELPH



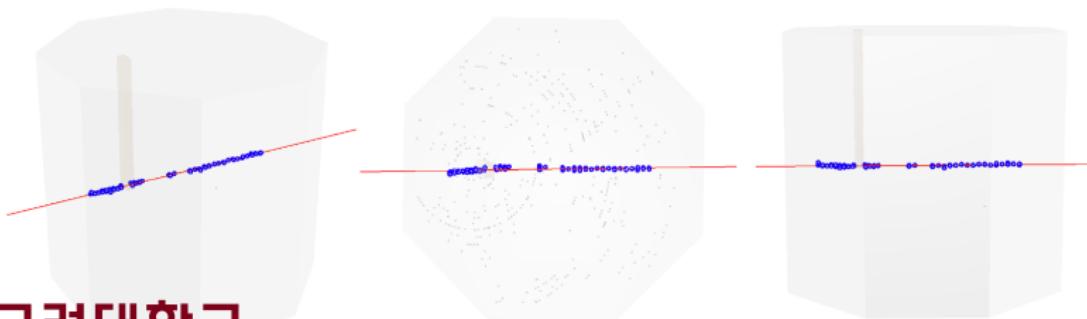
- A 460-MeV/c positron beam was exposed to HypTPC on November 7-9, 2016 at ELPH, Tohoku University.



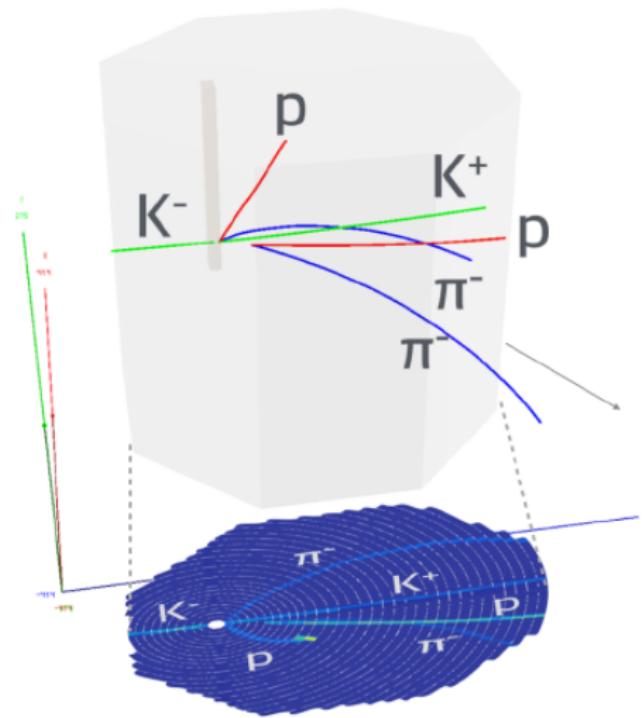
# Preliminary ELPH Test Results



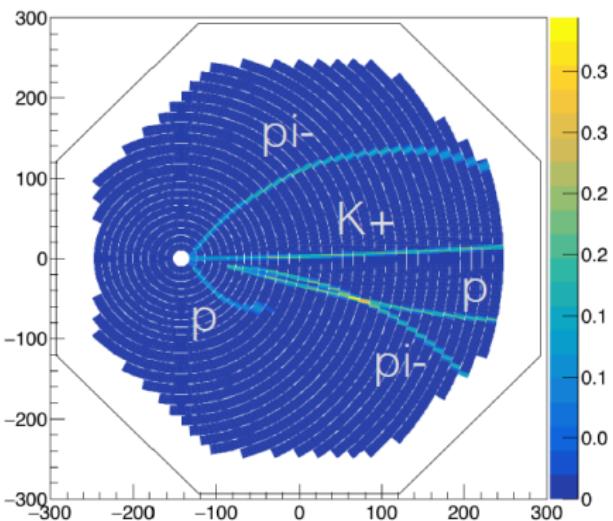
- A positron beam track is clearly reconstructed.



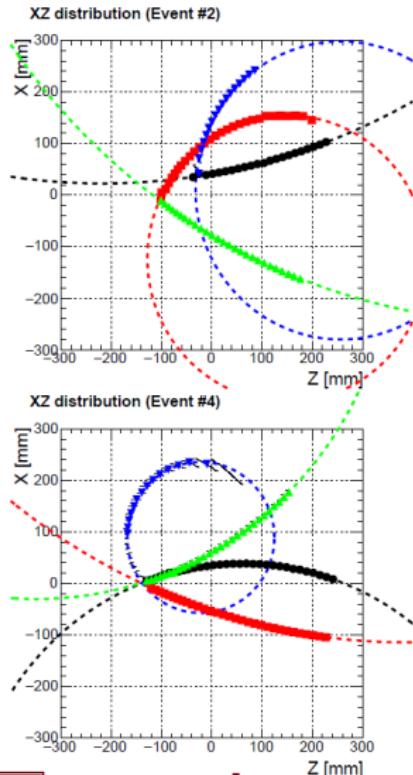
# A Full Simulation on the HypTPC Performance



○  $\Lambda\Lambda$  Production in the  $(K^-, K^+)$  Reaction.



# Progressive Tracking Finding



- ΛΛ Production in the  $(K^-, K^+)$  Reaction.
- Progressive track finding algorithm with clusters in first three active downstream layers.



# Yield Estimate

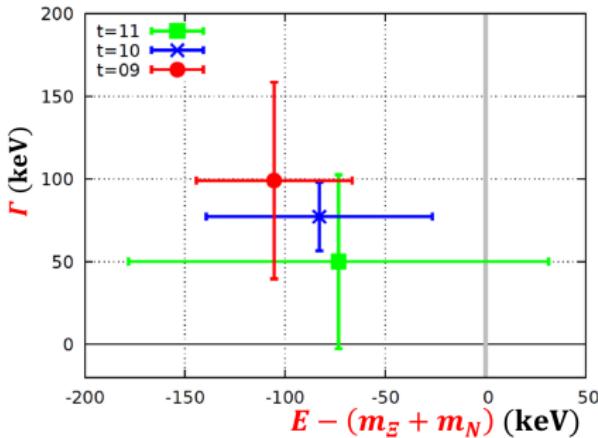
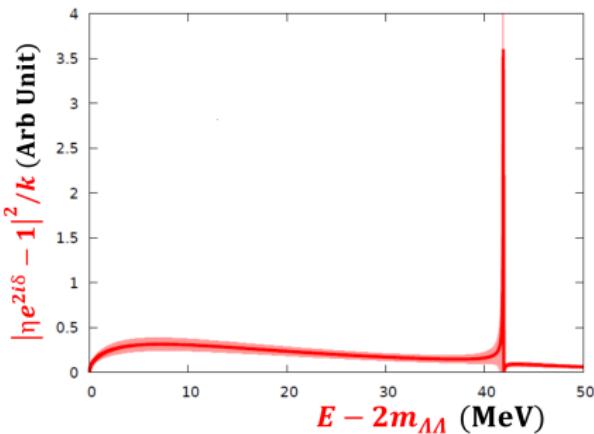
Parameters	Value
$K^-$ beam	$6 \times 10^5 K^-$ / spill (5.5 s)
Target length	20 mm
Number of nuclei	$2.65 \times 10^{23}/\text{cm}^2$
$d\sigma/d\Omega_L^C(\Lambda\Lambda)$	7.6 $\mu\text{b}/\text{sr}$
$\Delta\Omega(K^+)$	0.16 sr
$\text{Br}(\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-)^2$	0.41
$K^+$ Reconstruction	0.5
$\Lambda\Lambda$ Reconstruction	0.4 – 0.6
Yield	0.03 event / spill

- $1.5 \times 10^4$   $\Lambda\Lambda$  events for 100 shifts at the current beam power.



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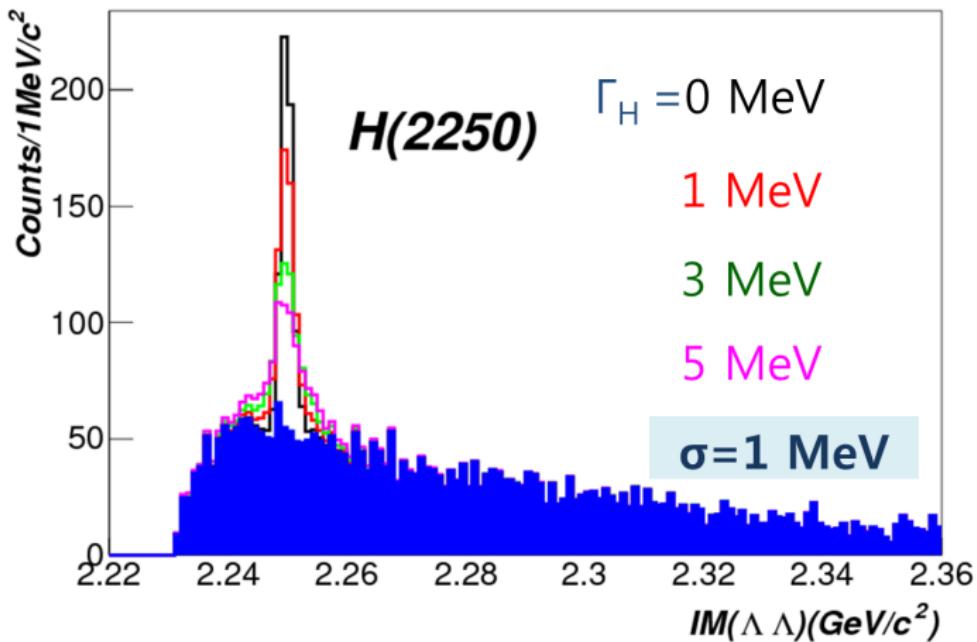
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# Simulated $\Lambda\Lambda$ Spectrum from E42 <sup>17</sup>

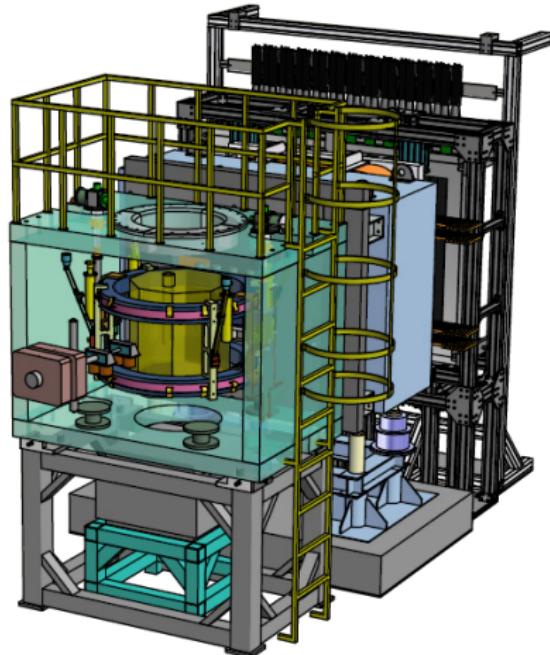
- Lineshapes with respect to  $\Gamma_H$  (assuming  $\sigma_m = 1$  MeV).



<sup>17</sup>Y. Nara, A. Ohnishi, T. Harada and A. Engel, Nucl. Phys. A614 (1997) 433.

# Summary

- We welcome you to join us on the journey for hunting the H-dibaryon (E42) and also for studying baryon resonances (E45) with the HypTPC at J-PARC.



Schematic view of the E42 setup

