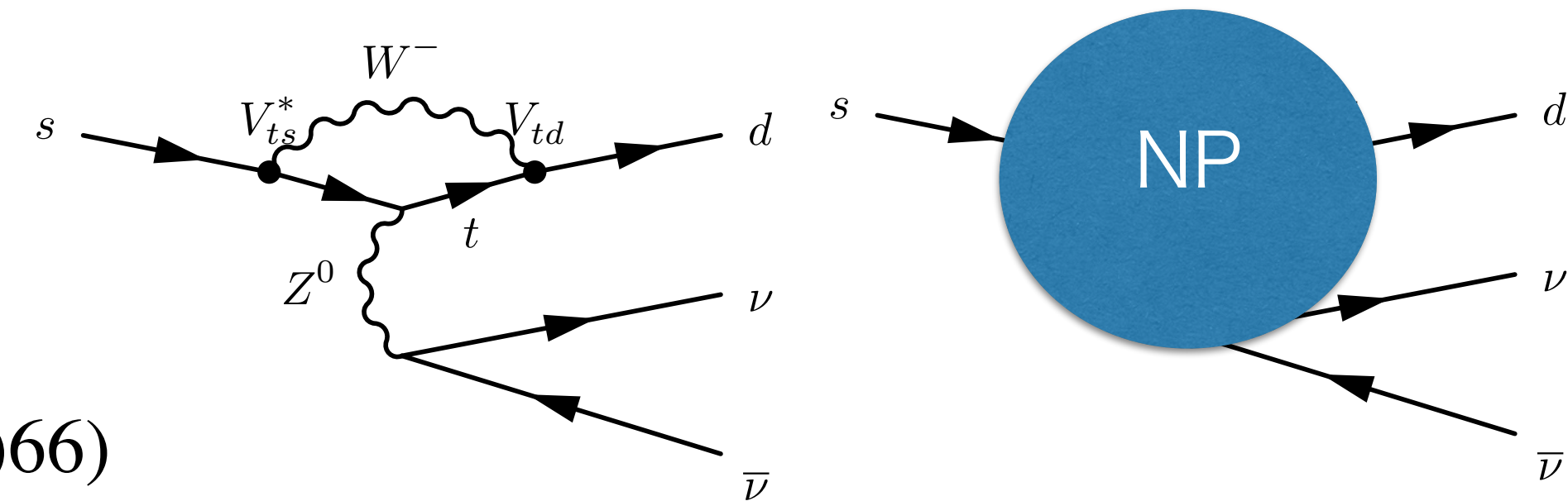


KOTO II prospects and plans

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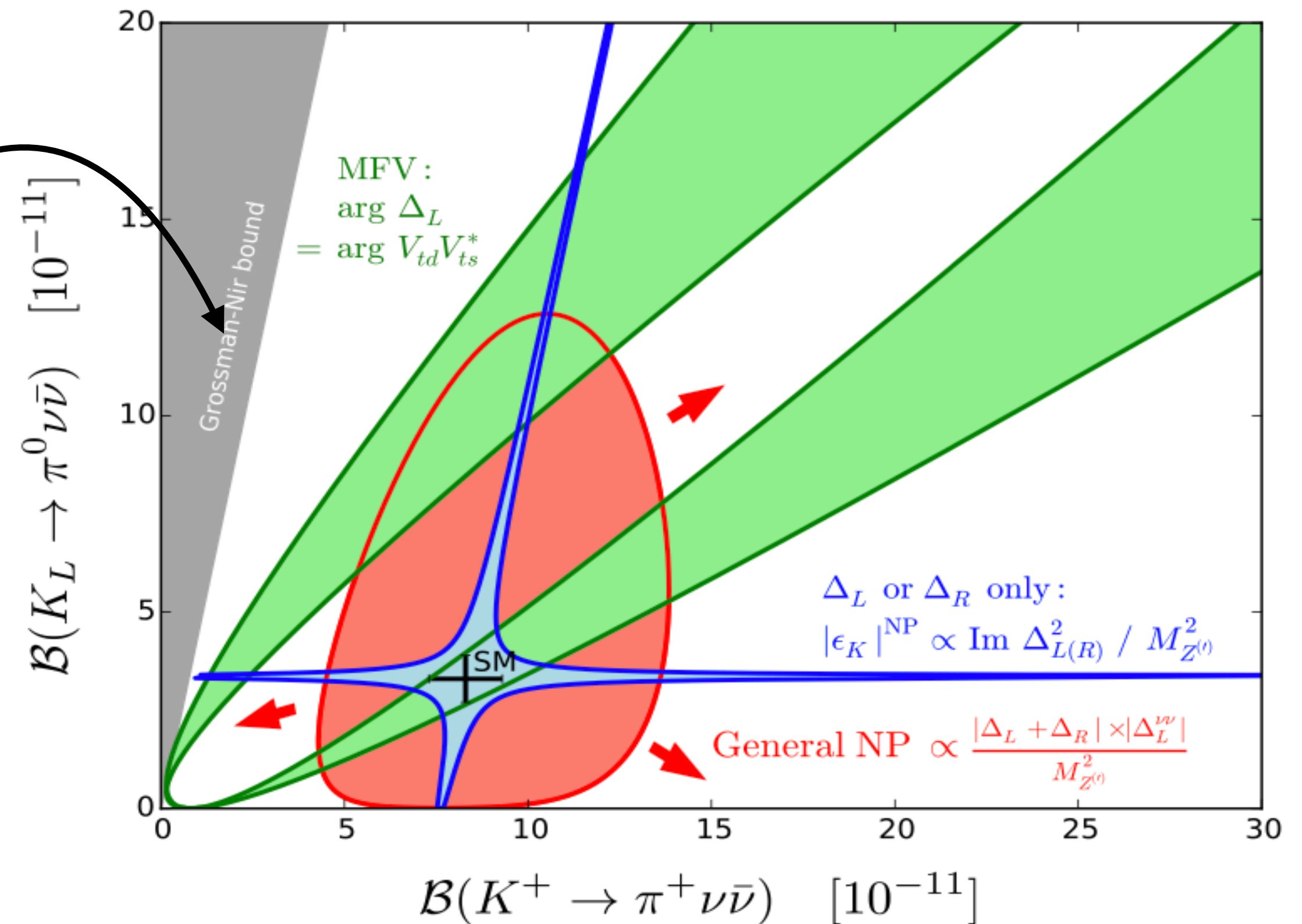
2023/9/13 Kaons@CERN 2023

$$K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$$



- $\mathcal{B}_{\text{SM}}(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}) = (3.4 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-11}$ (JEHP11(2015)033)
 $(2.94 \pm 0.15) \times 10^{-11}$ (Eur.Phys.J.C 83 (2023)66)

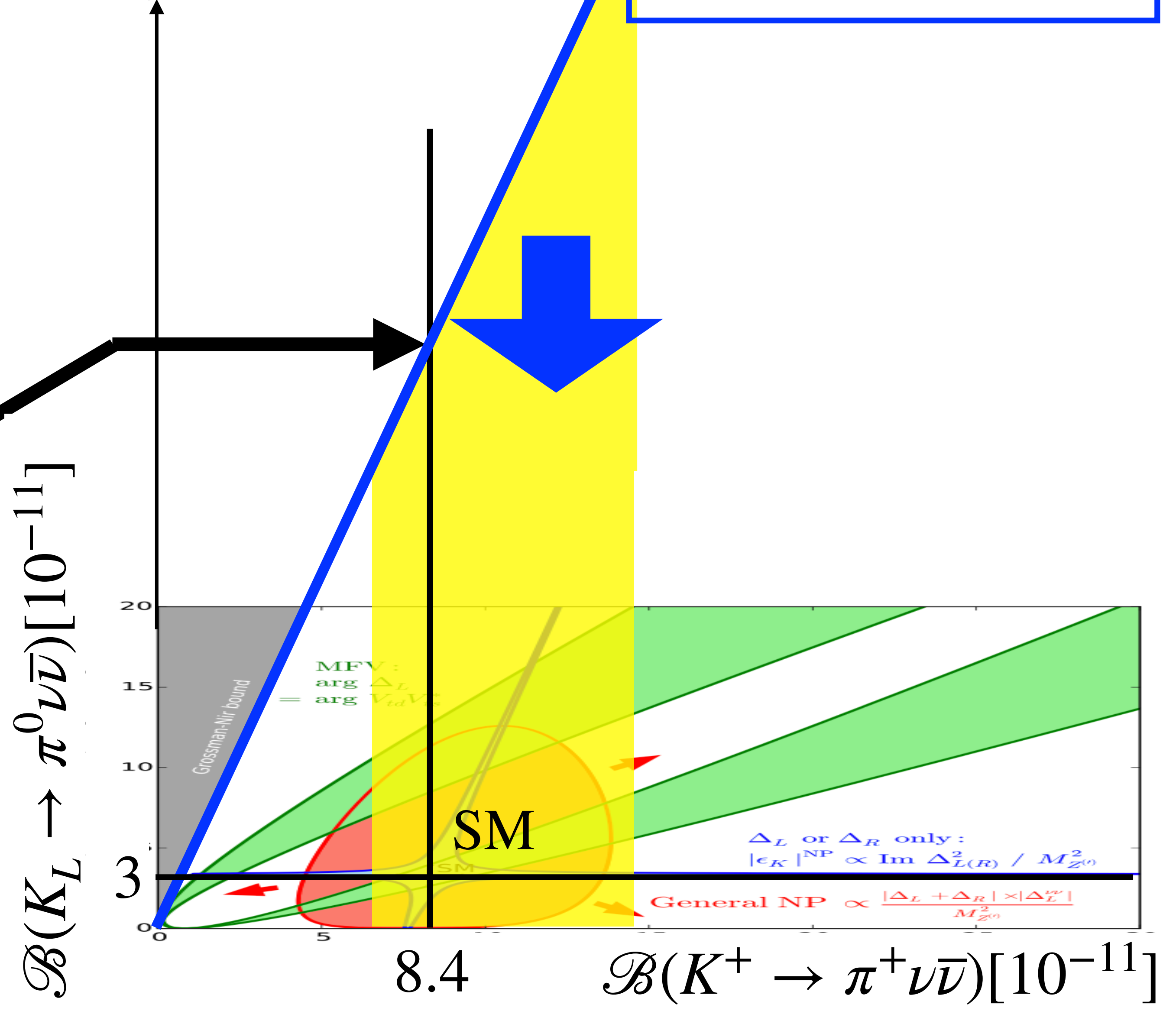
- Suppressed SM process
- Theoretically clean
 - CKM parameter uncertainty
 - theoretical uncertainty $\sim 2\%$
- Sensitive to new physics
 - High energy scale as large as 1000 TeV
 - Correlation to $\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})$
 - Grossman-Nir bound
 $\mathcal{B}(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}) < 4.3 \mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})$



Sensitivity — Ultimate Grossman-Nir bound —

Grossman-Nir bound

- Ultimate Grossman-Nir bound
 $\mathcal{B}(K^+)_{SM} = (8.4 \pm 1.0) \times 10^{-11}$
 $\rightarrow \times 4.3 : (3.6 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-10}$
 (bench mark of future bound)
- Goal of current KOTO experiment
 SES: below 10^{-10}
 \rightarrow Upper limit $< 3.6 \times 10^{-10}$

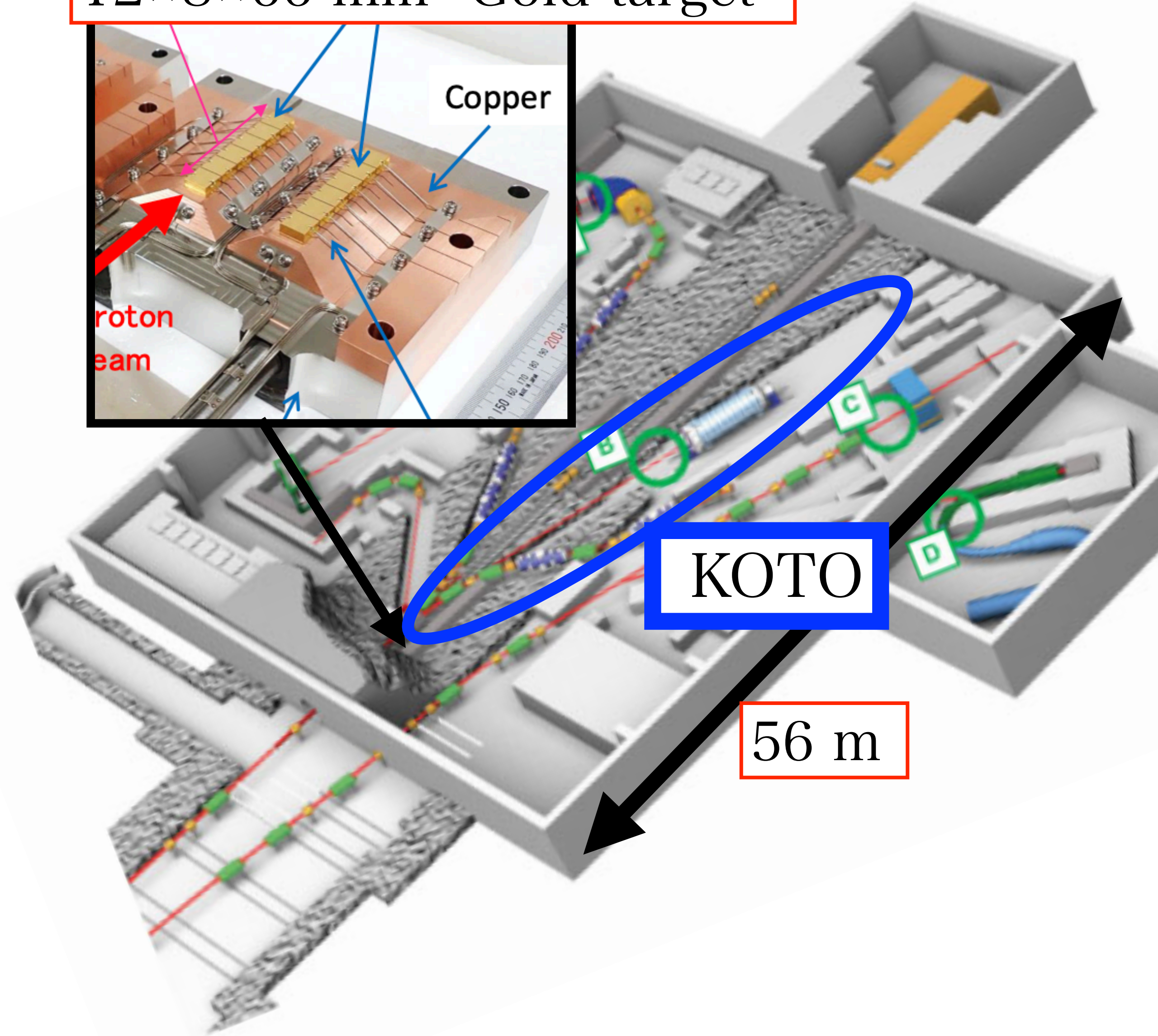
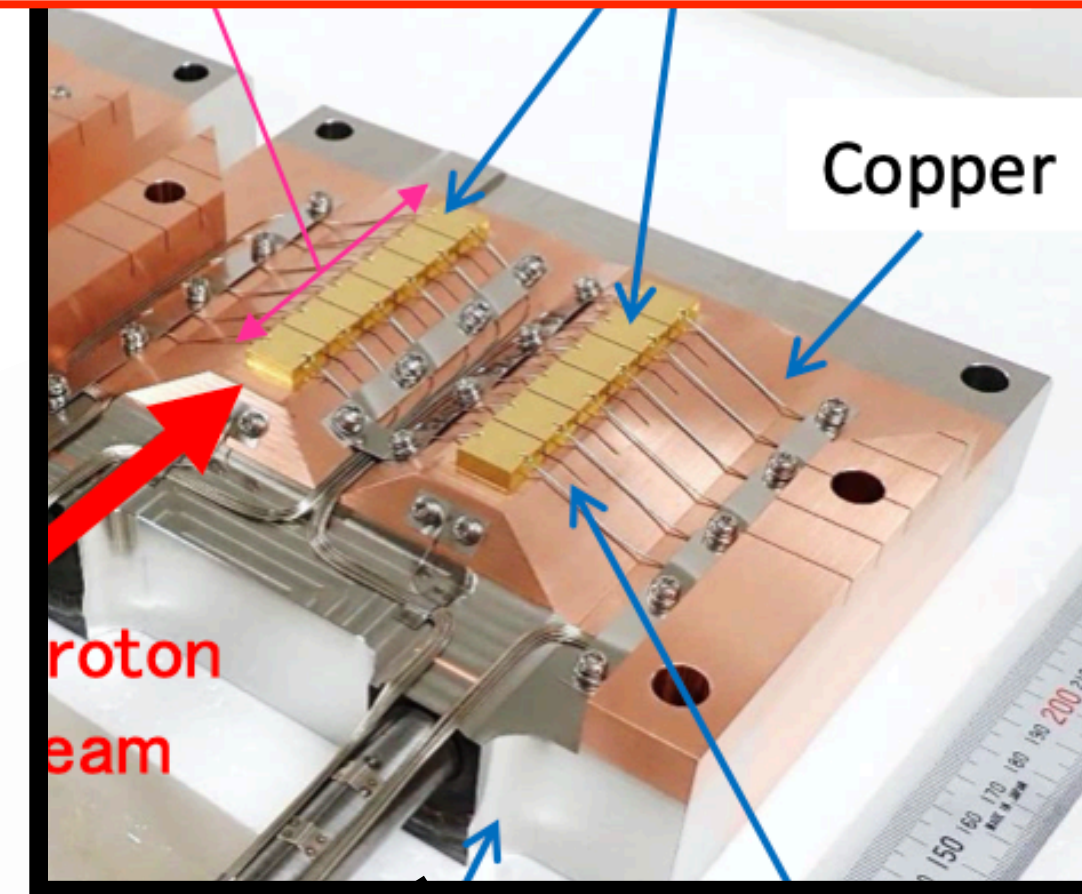


NA62 : $(10.6^{+4.0}_{-3.4} \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-11}$ (68 % CL) JHEP 06 (2021), 093

KOTO experiment in Hadron Experimental Facility at J-PARC

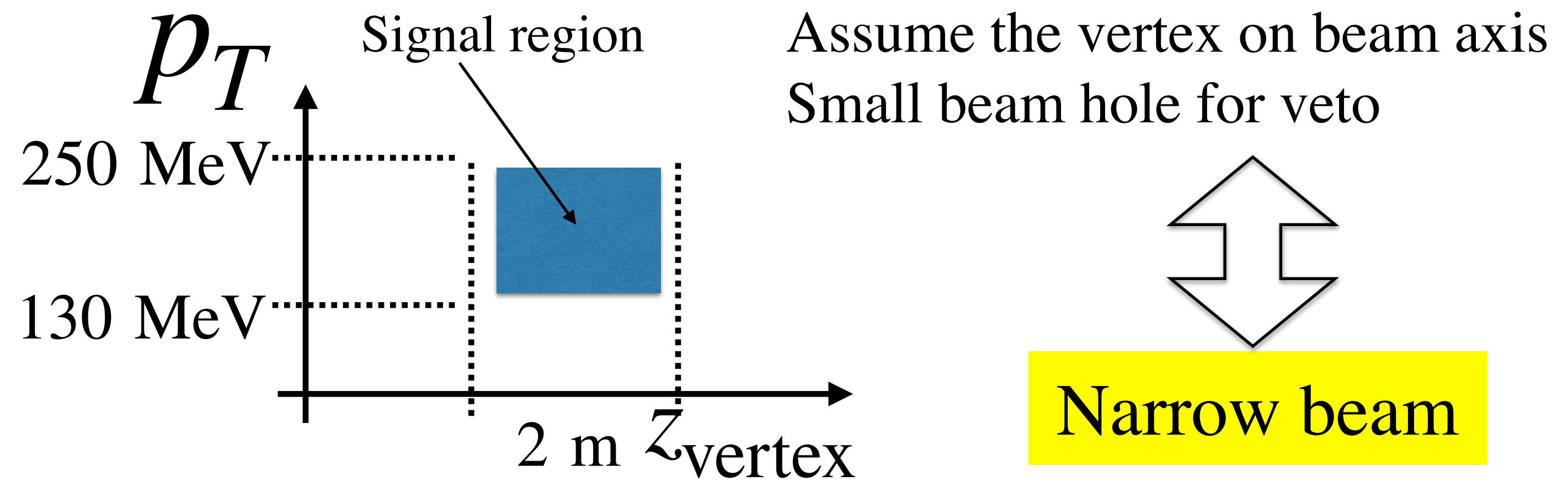
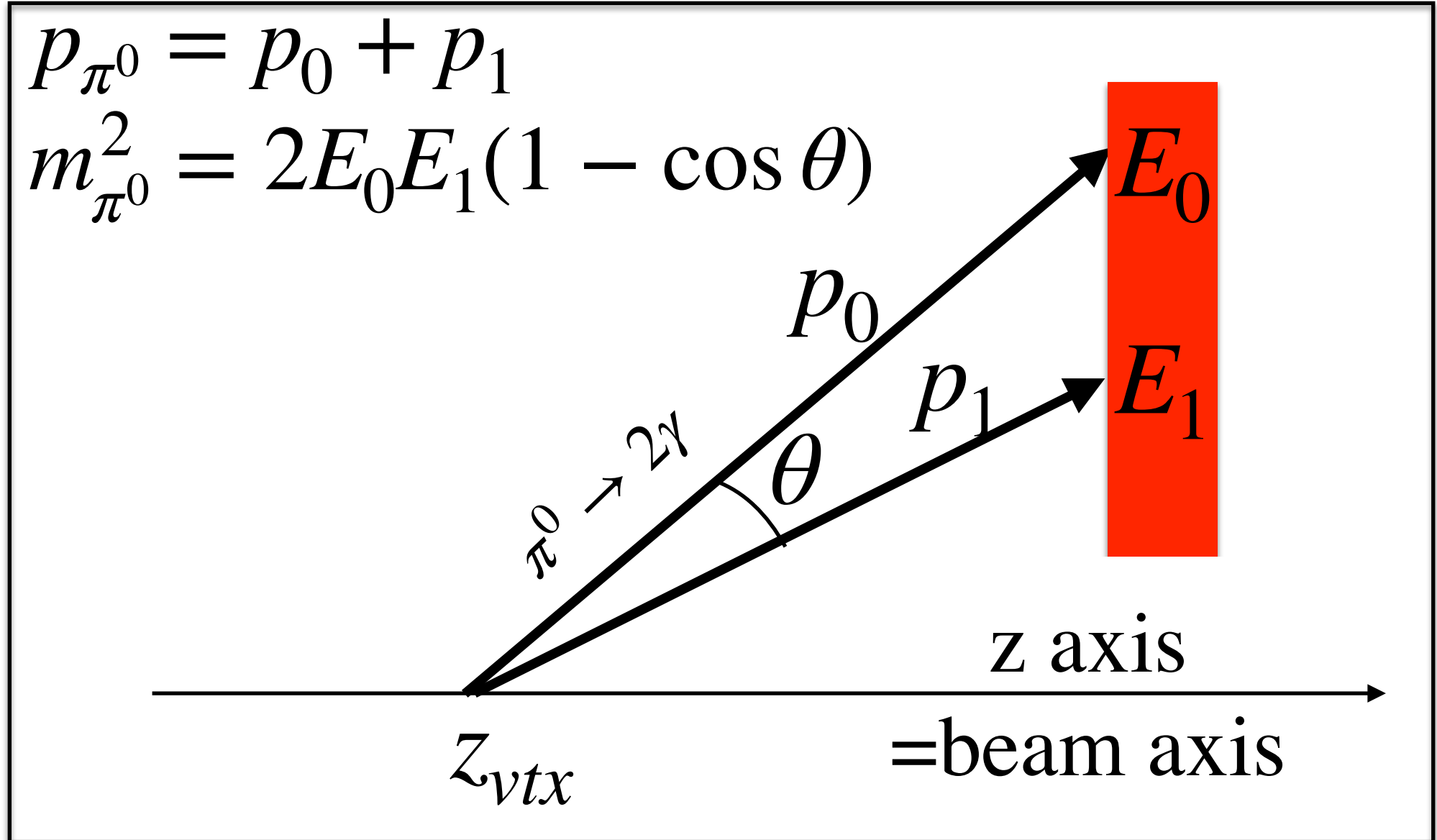
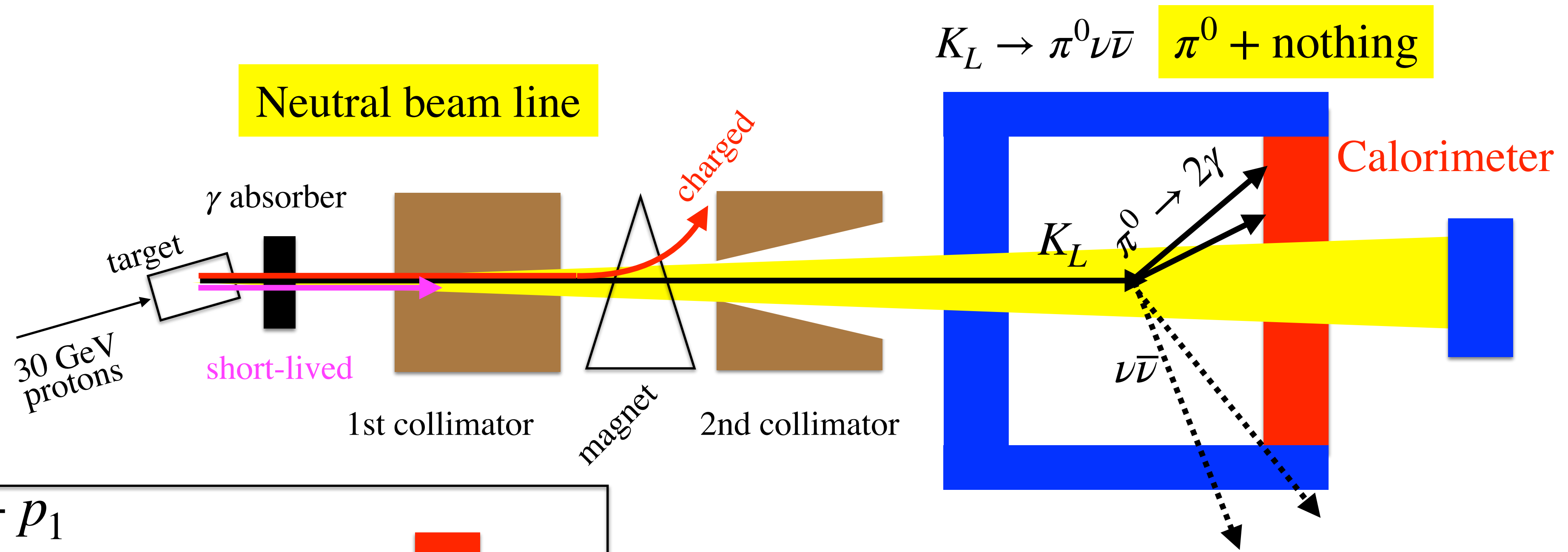


12×8×66 mm³ Gold target



30 GeV proton beam
Slow extraction
65 kW, 2-s spill / 5.2-s spill (2021)

Concept of signal detection



Where are we? KOTO results of 2021 analysis

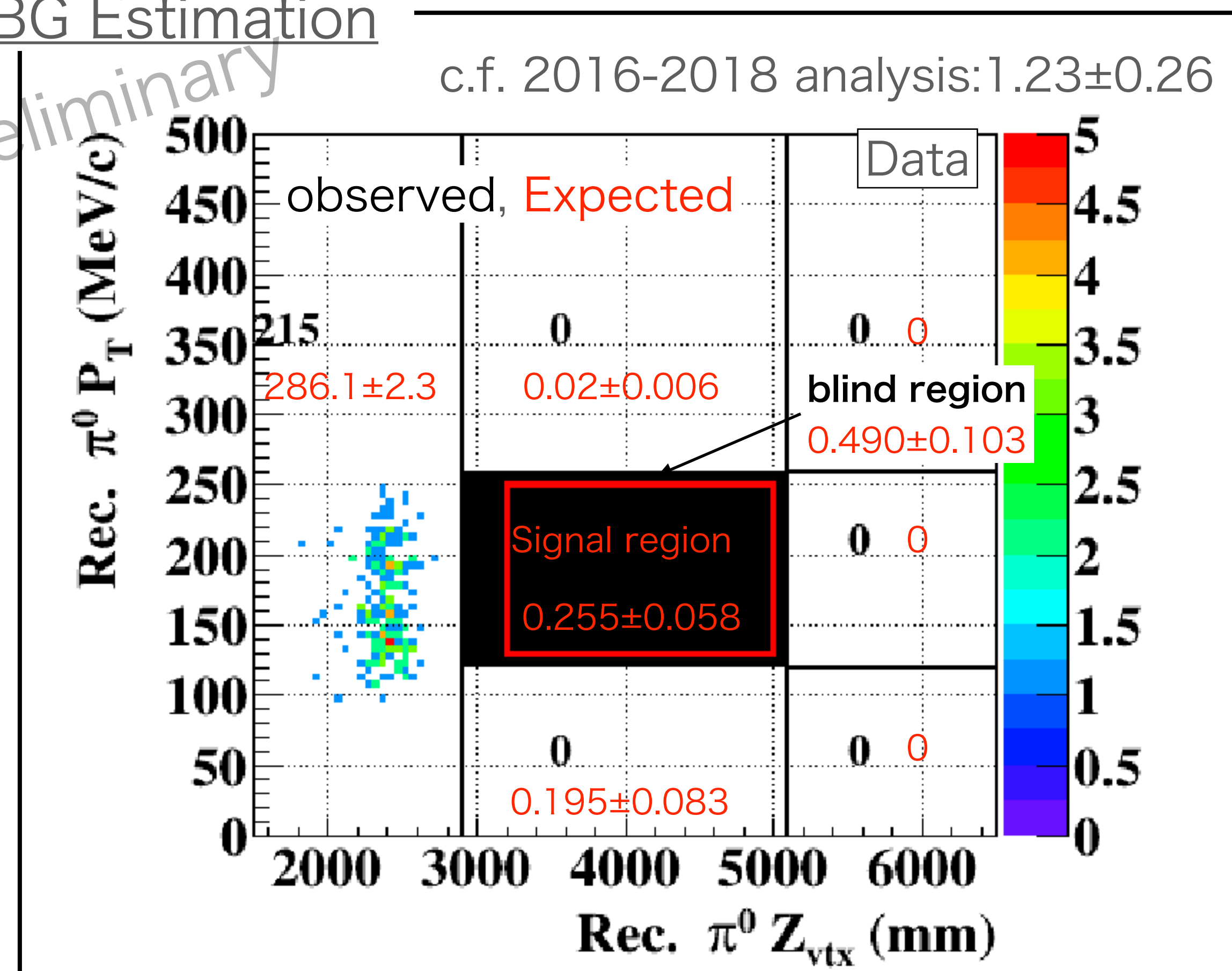
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BG Estimation

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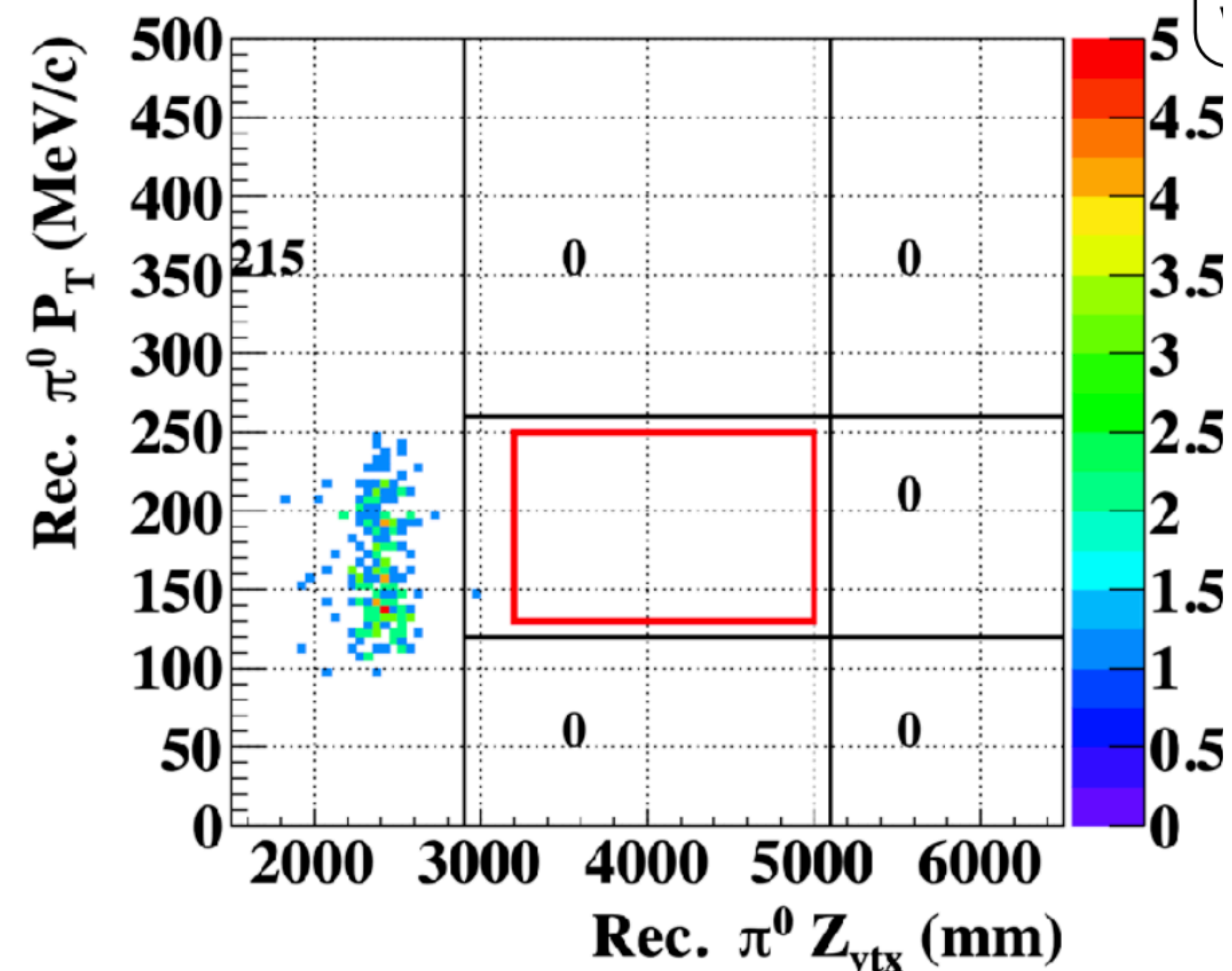
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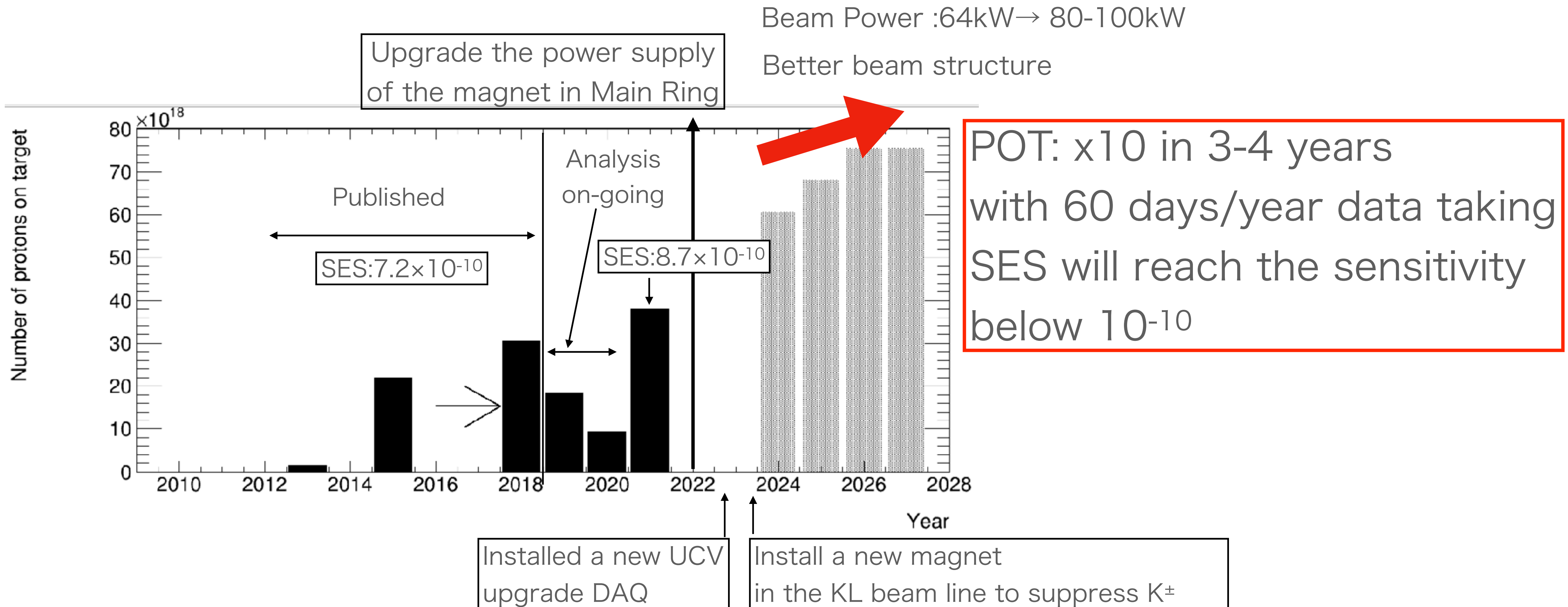
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- No signal candidate observed
- $BR < 2.0 \times 10^{-9} @ 90\% \text{ C.L.}$

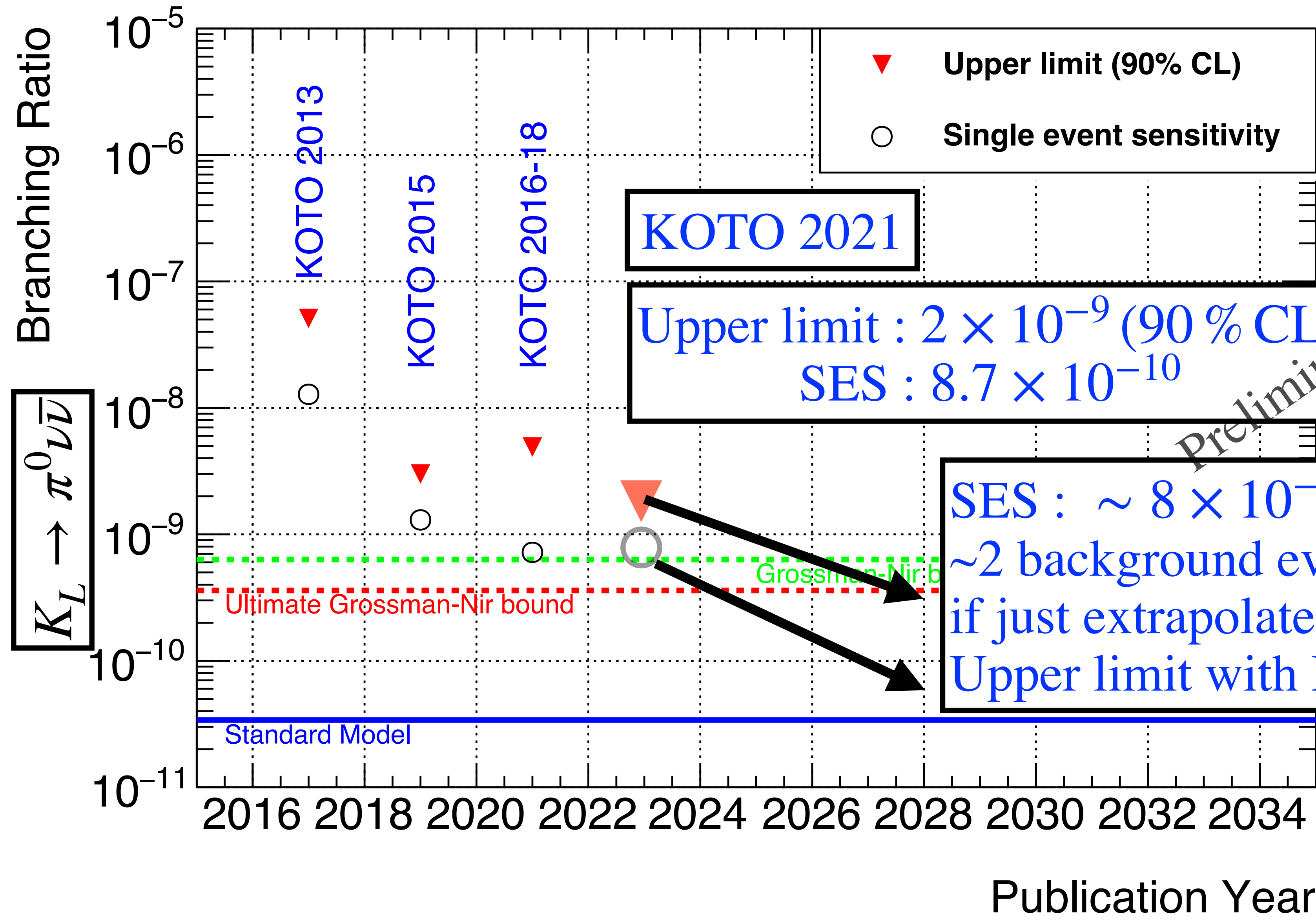


Prospects for future run

K. Shiomi
KEK IPNS seminar



KOTO current status and prospects



KOTO 2021

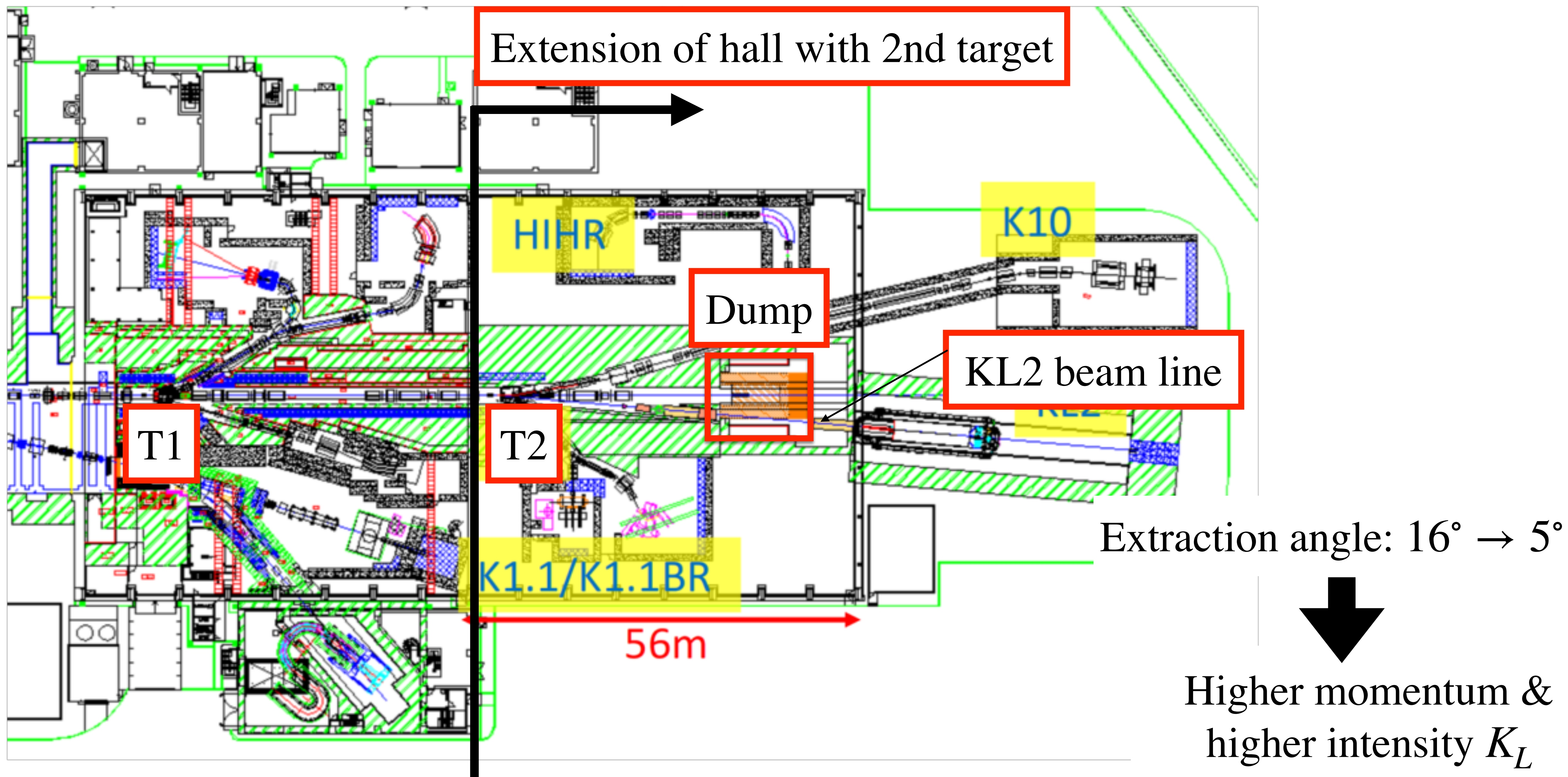
Upper limit : 2×10^{-9} (90 % CL)
 SES : 8.7×10^{-10}

SES : $\sim 8 \times 10^{-11}$
 ~2 background events expected
 if just extrapolated from the 2021 analysis
 Upper limit with Feldman Cousins method

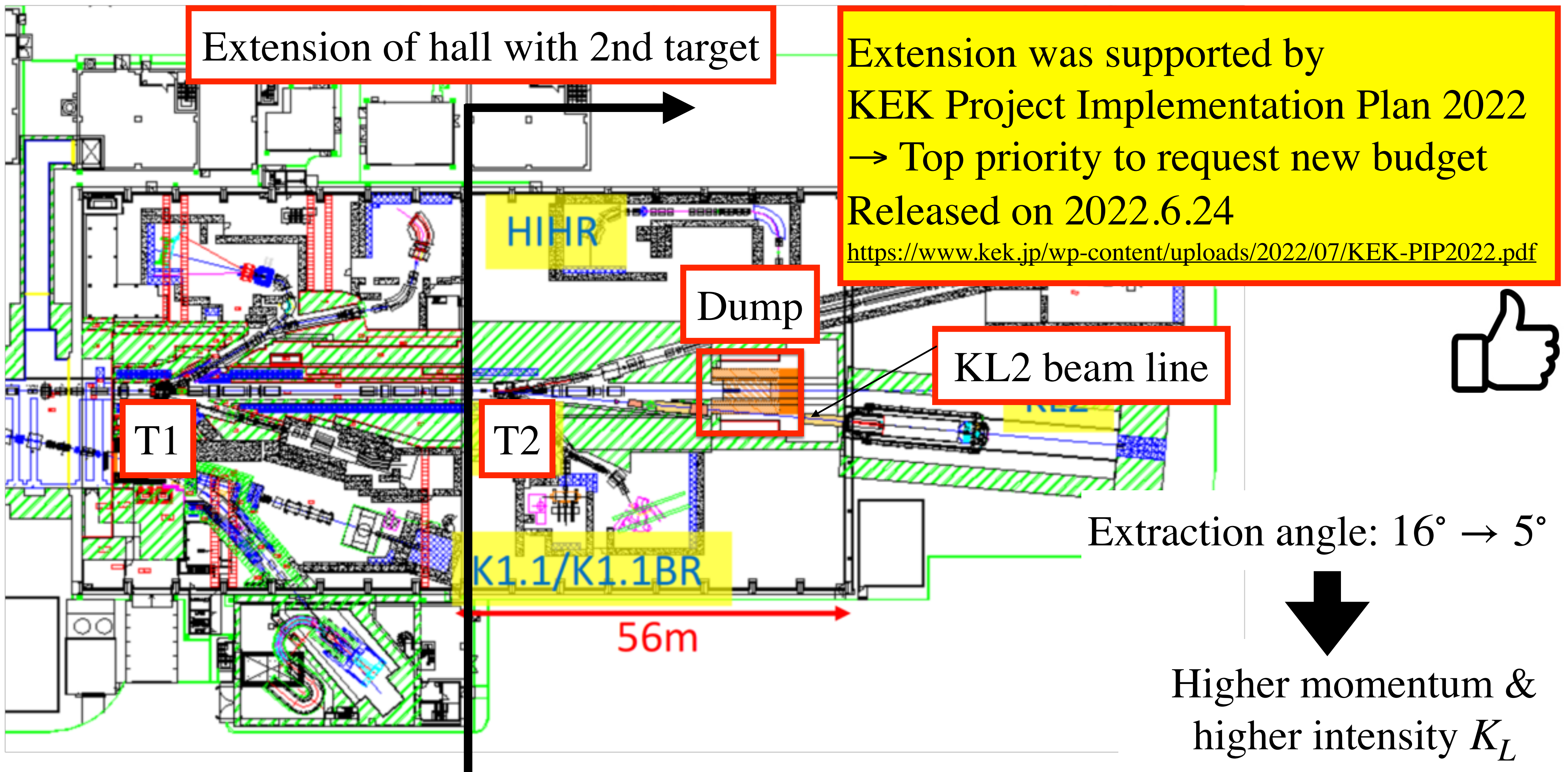
Fluctuations from small statics
 limits the sensitivity
 We need new experiments
 with larger statistics

Preliminary

KOTO II with extension of hadron experimental facility

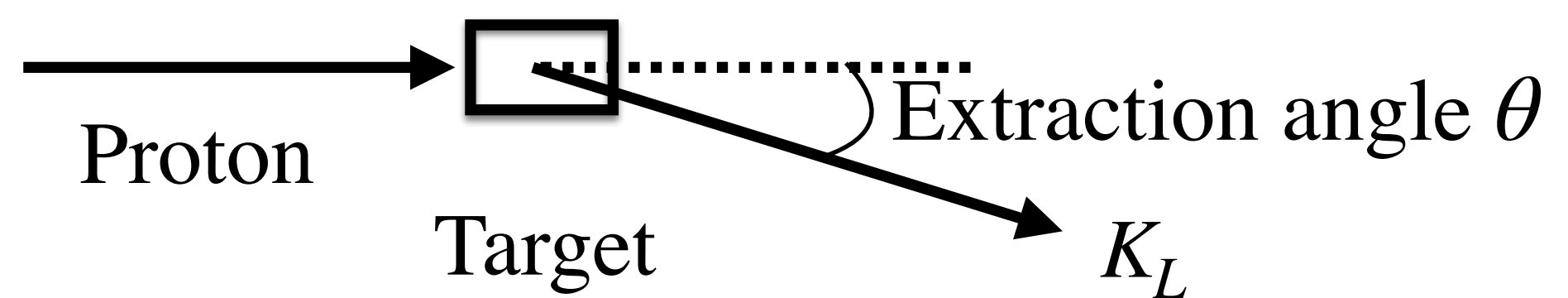


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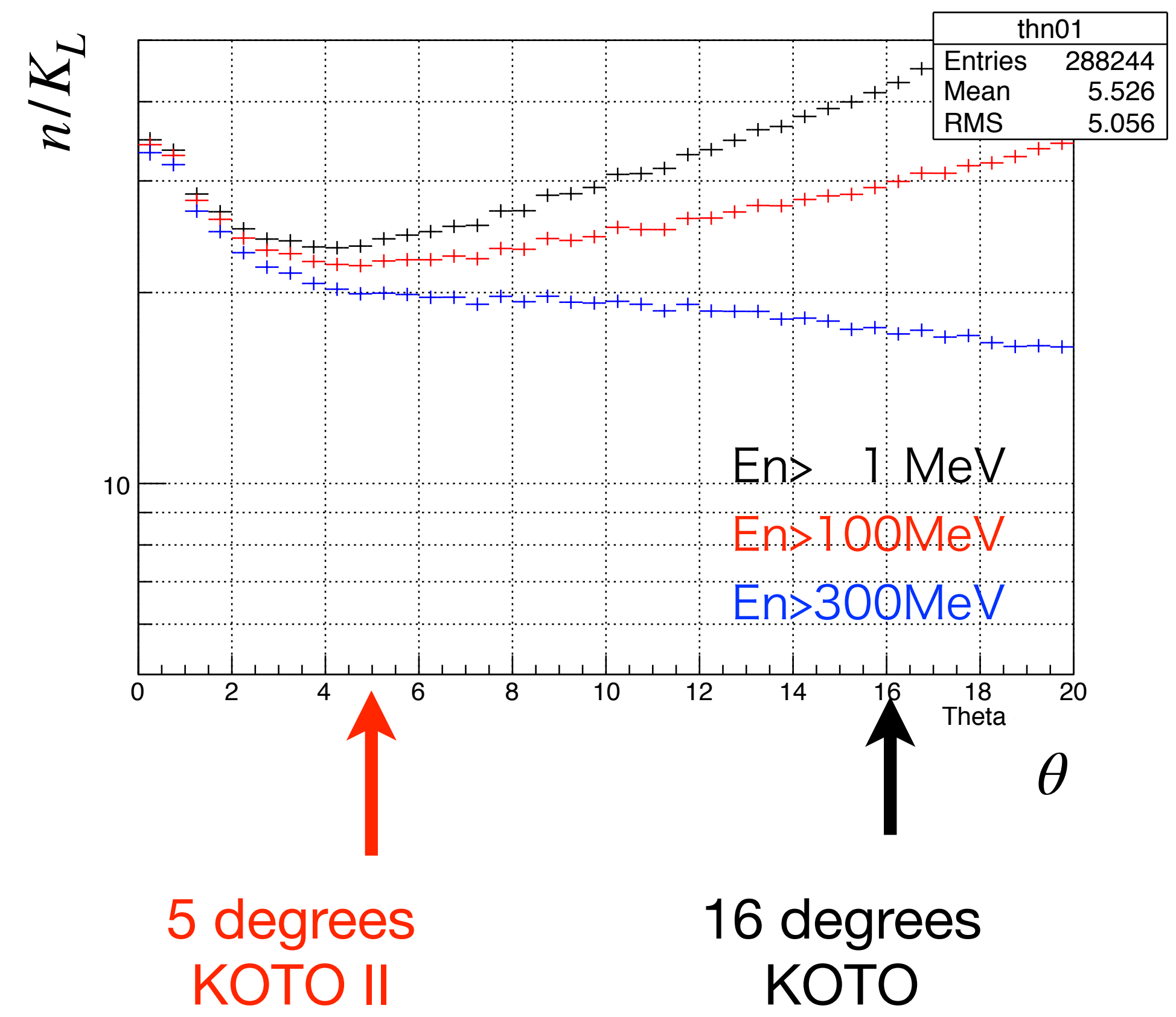
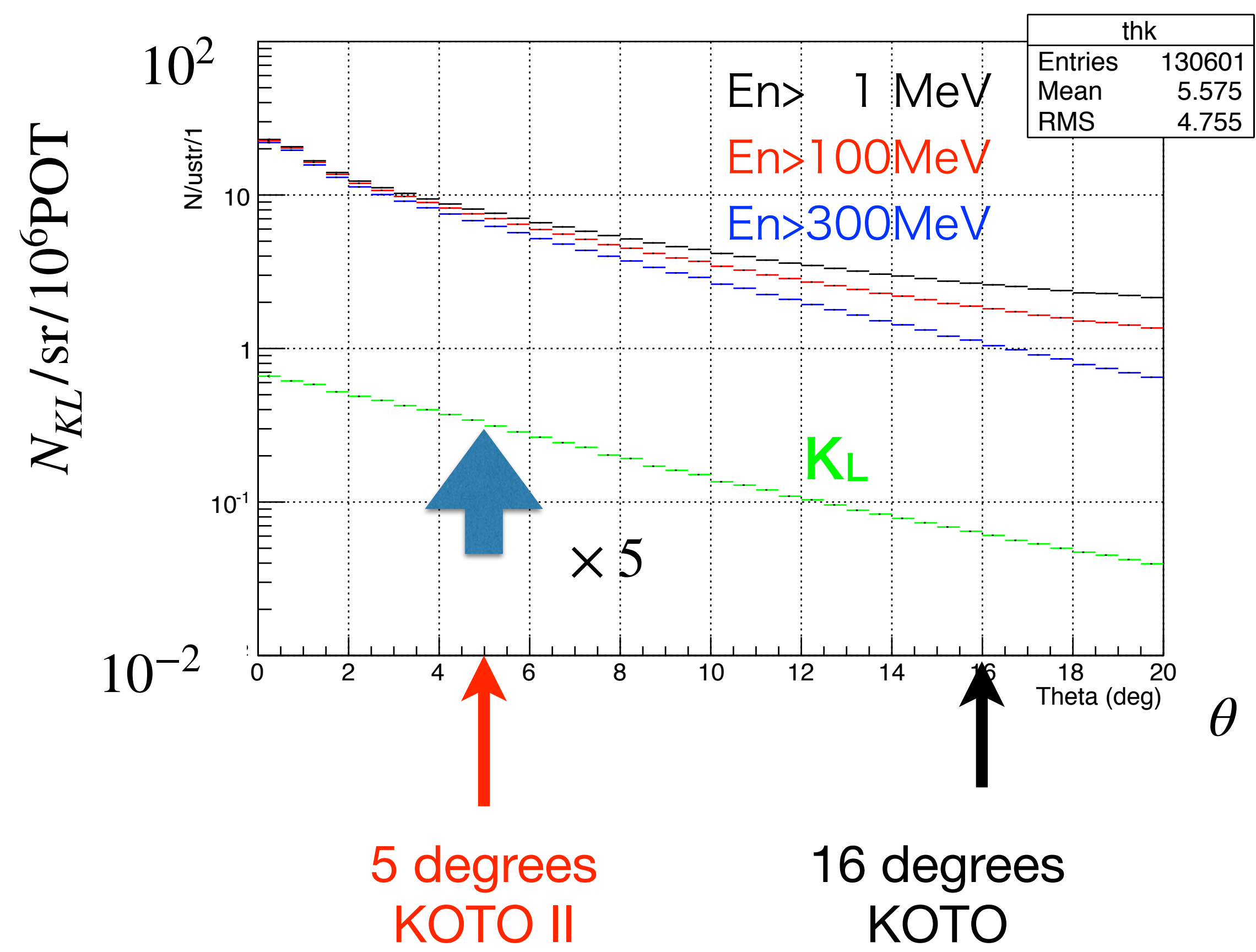


More K_L

Key to use long decay volume

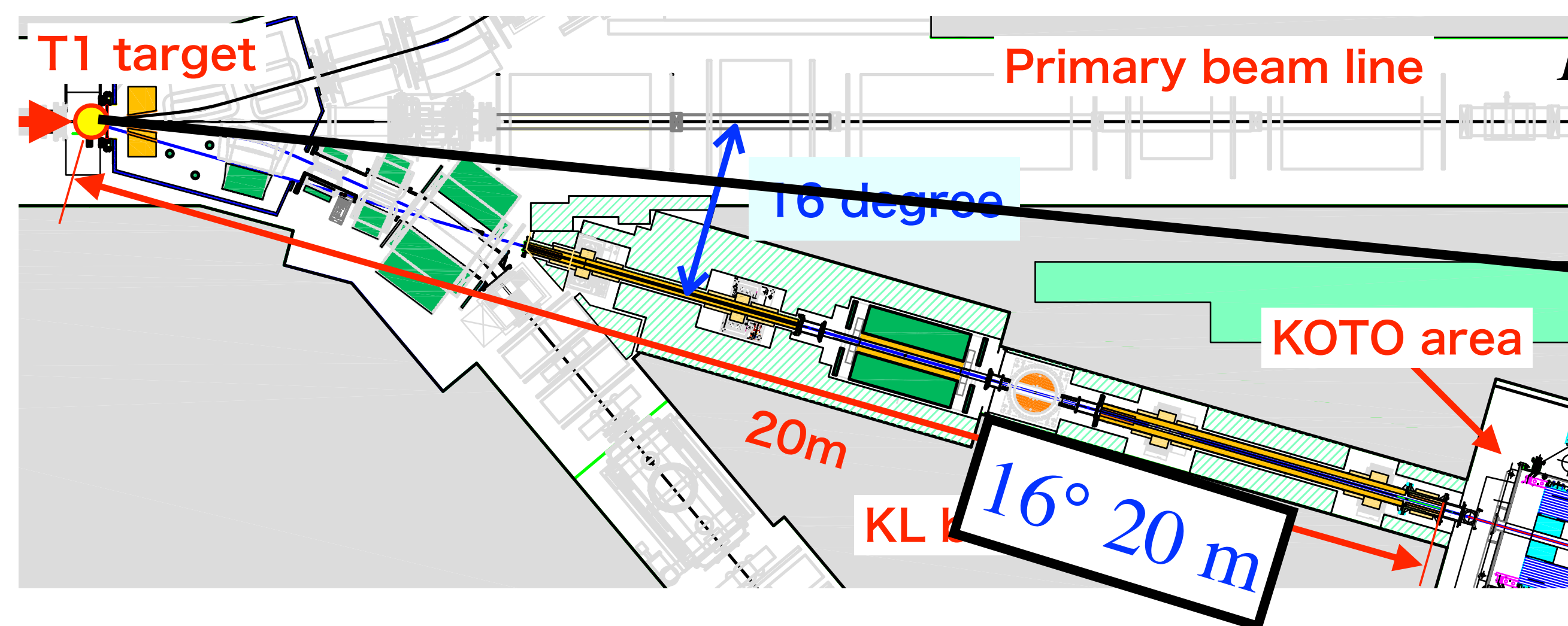


Small extraction angle $\theta \rightarrow$ High flux, High momentum
 \Leftrightarrow neutron background
 $\rightarrow 5^\circ$ is optimal



Design of beam line

Current KOTO beam line



Extrapolate at $5^\circ \rightarrow$ too long

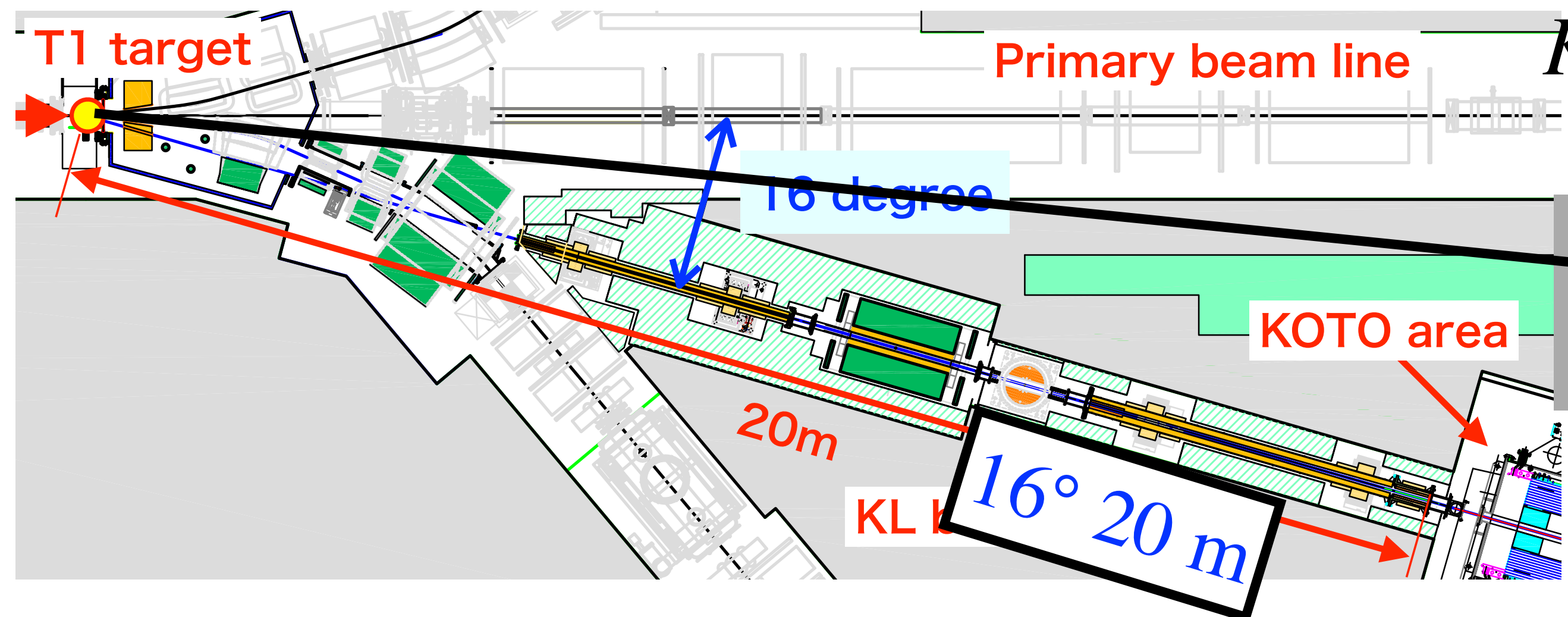
K_L is reduced due to decay and solid angle

5° 63m

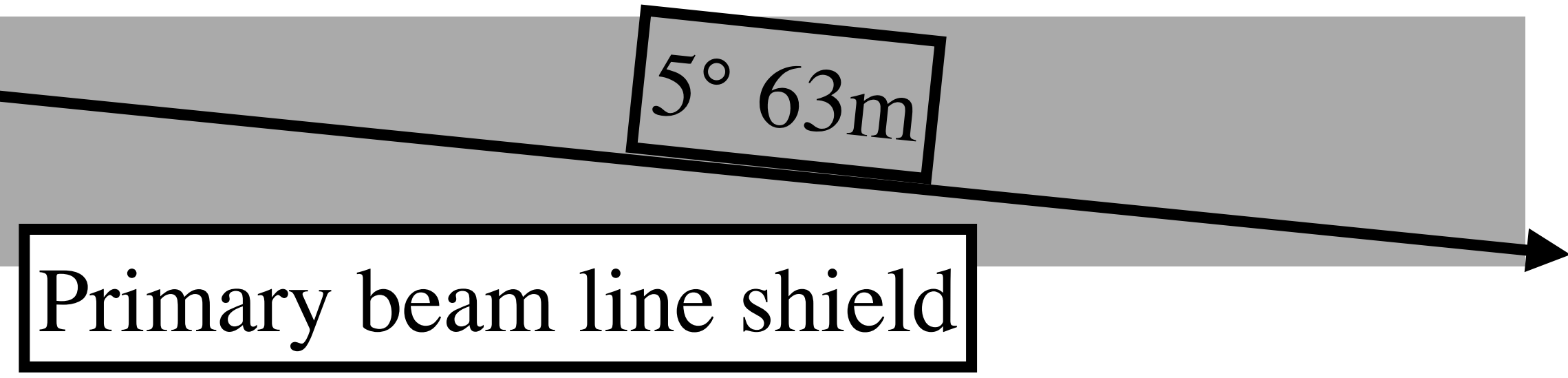
Primary beam line shield

Design of beam line

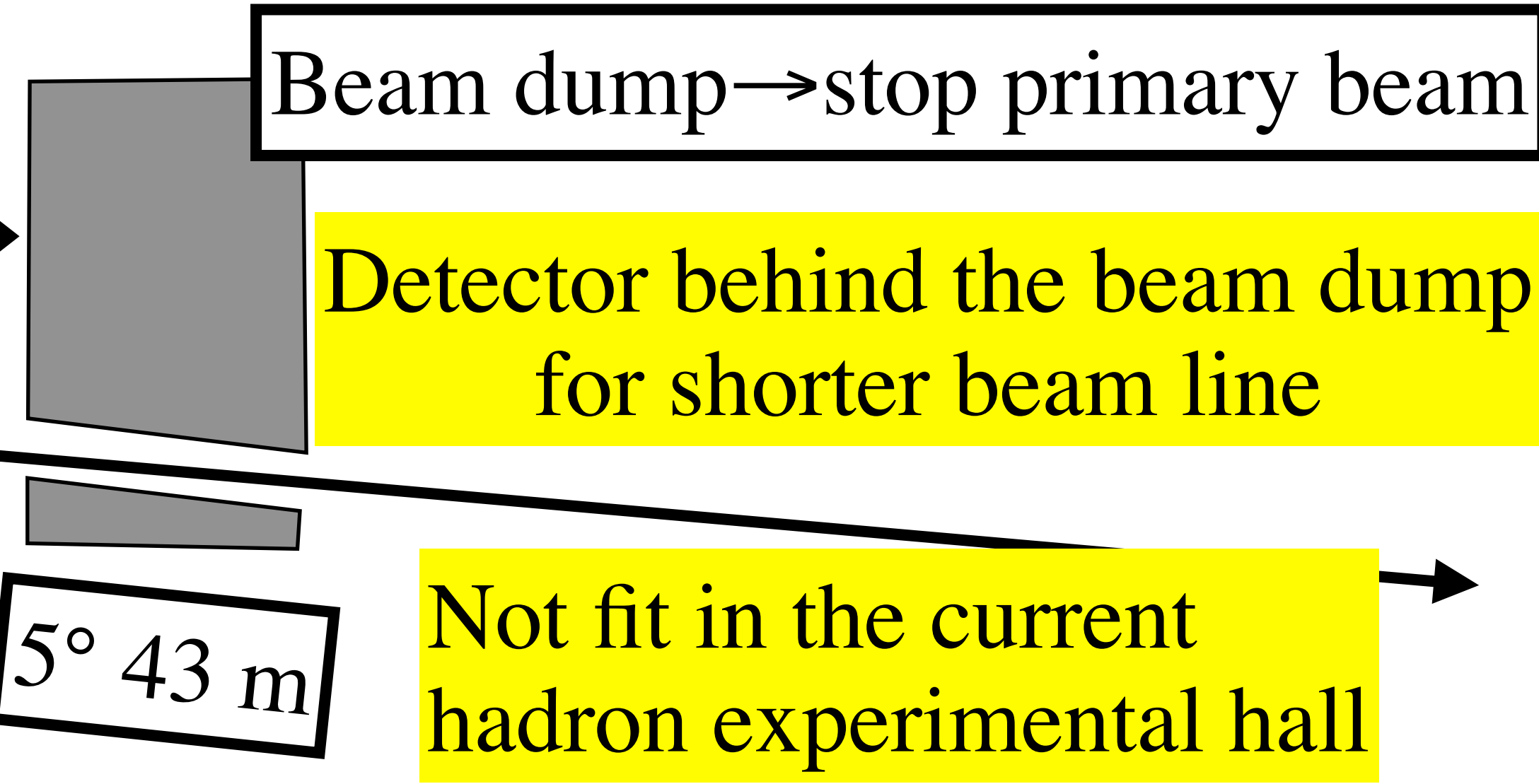
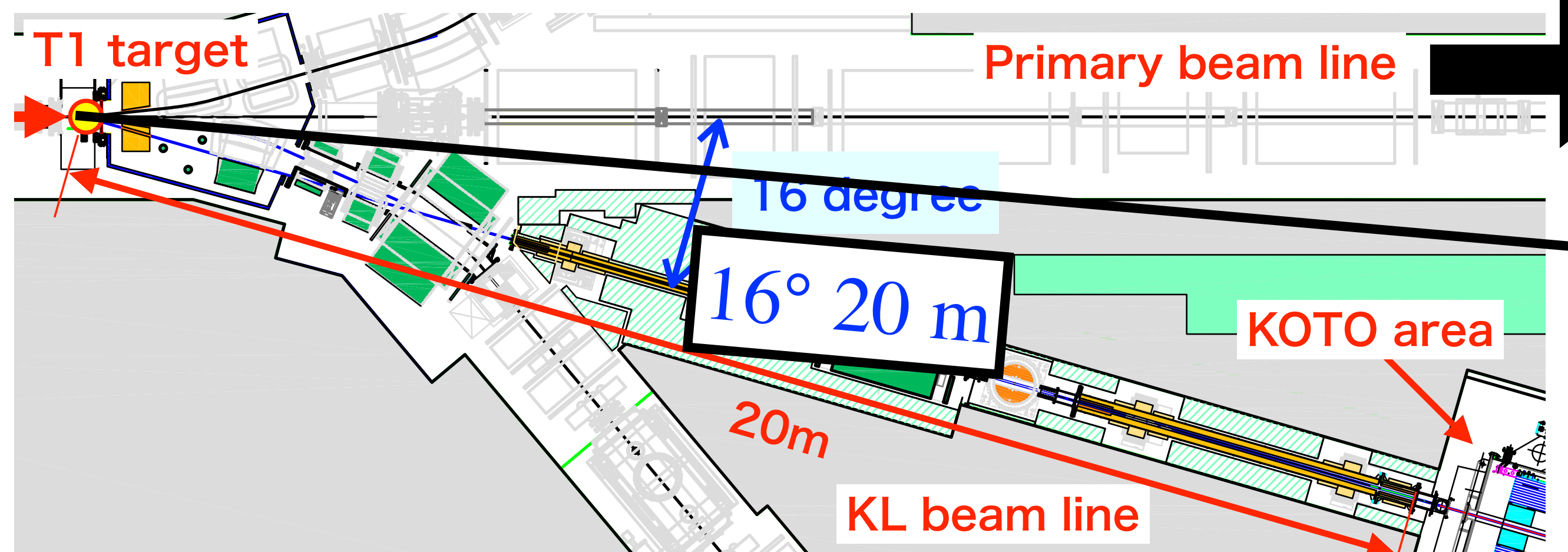
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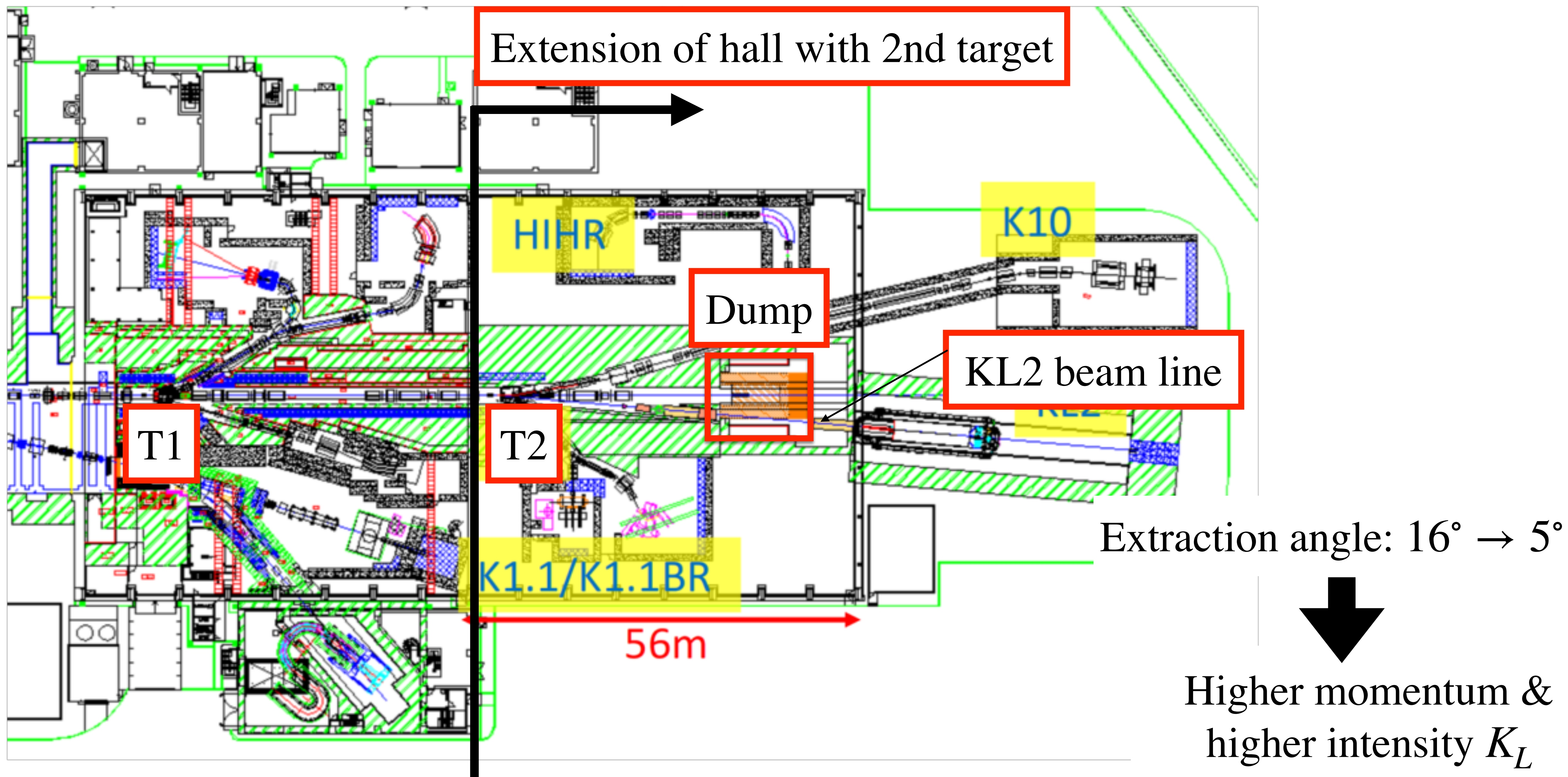
Extrapolate with 5° → too long
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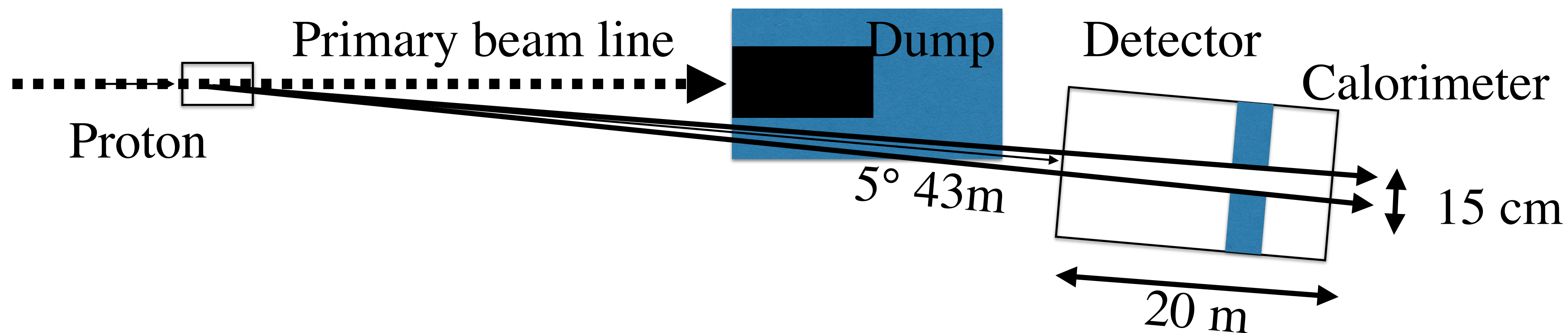
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KOTO II with extension of hadron experimental facility



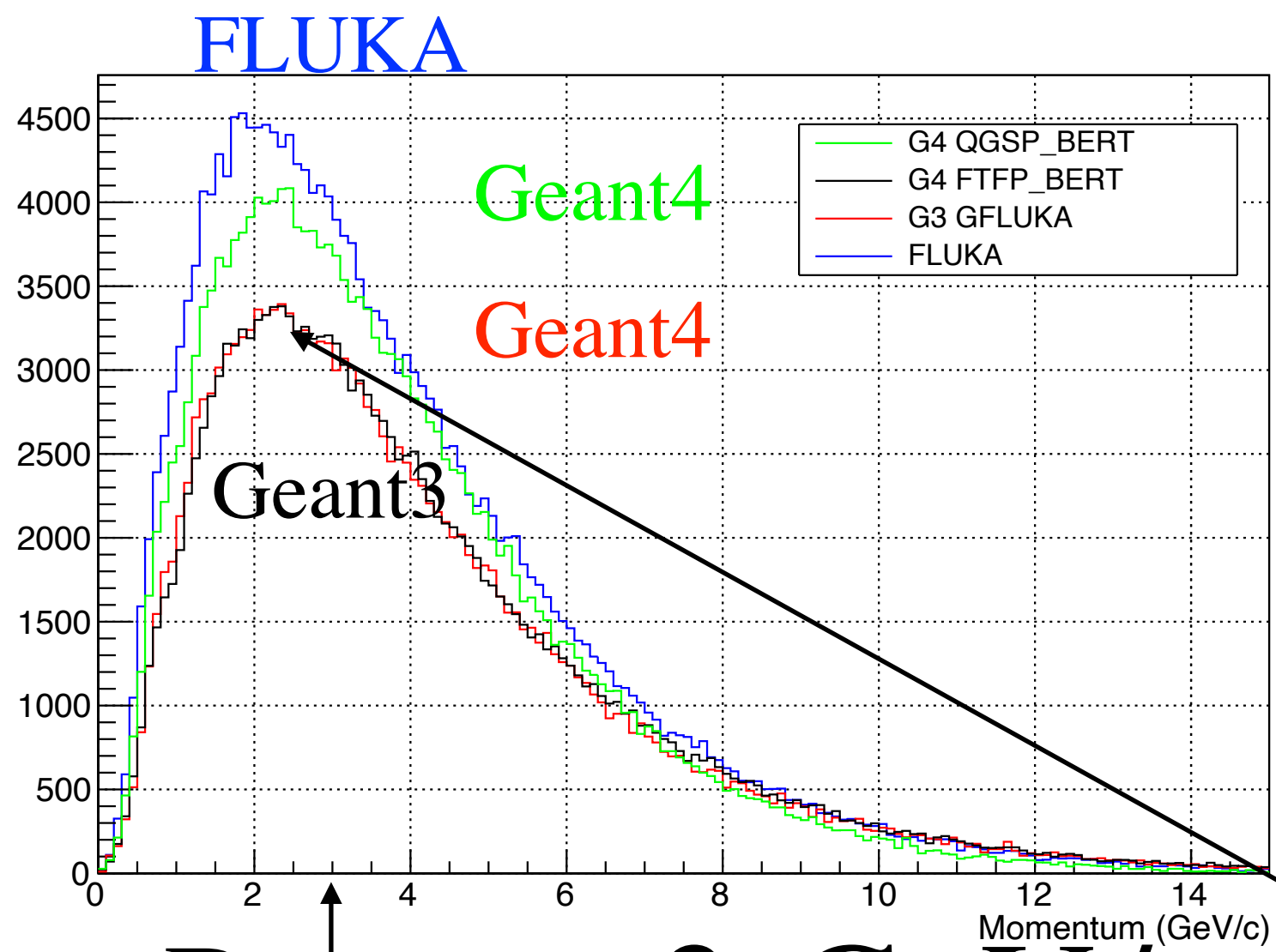
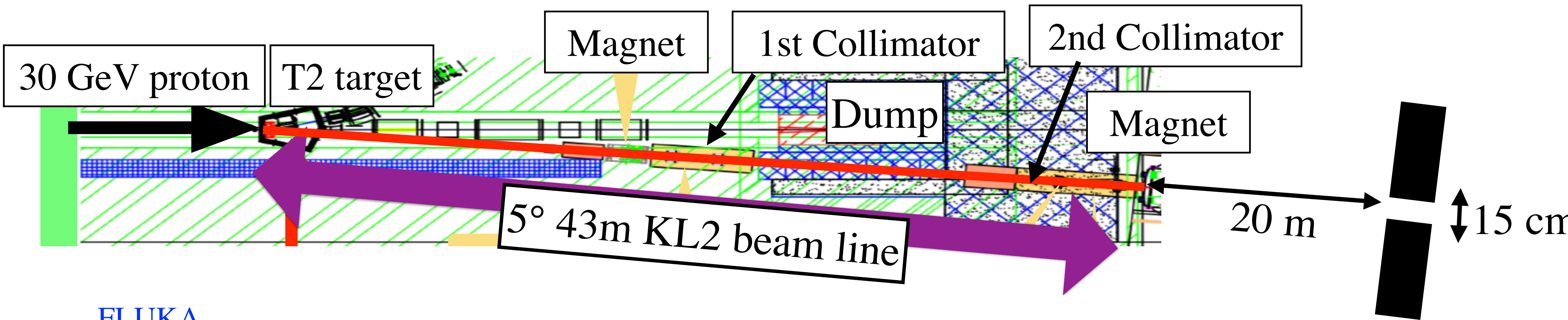
Idea of experiment behind the dump



1. Narrow beam \Leftrightarrow Signal reconstruction (Beam width at calorimeter : 15 cm)
 2. Longer decay volume to increase the decay \rightarrow 20-m long detector
 3. Shorter beam-line length is better
to have larger solid angle
to minimize the decay loss
- \rightarrow Minimize the distance between the target and the dump
 \Leftrightarrow Should keep the beam line away from the main body of the dump

Solid angle : $4.8 \mu\text{sr}$

KL2 beam line



$P_{\text{peak}} = 3 \text{ GeV}/c$

| | Production angle | Beam line | Solid angle |
|----------------|------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| KOTO | 16° | 20 m | 7.8 μsr |
| KOTO II | 5° | 43 m | 4.8 μsr |
| Gain | $\times 5$ | $\times 0.8$ | $\times 0.6$ |

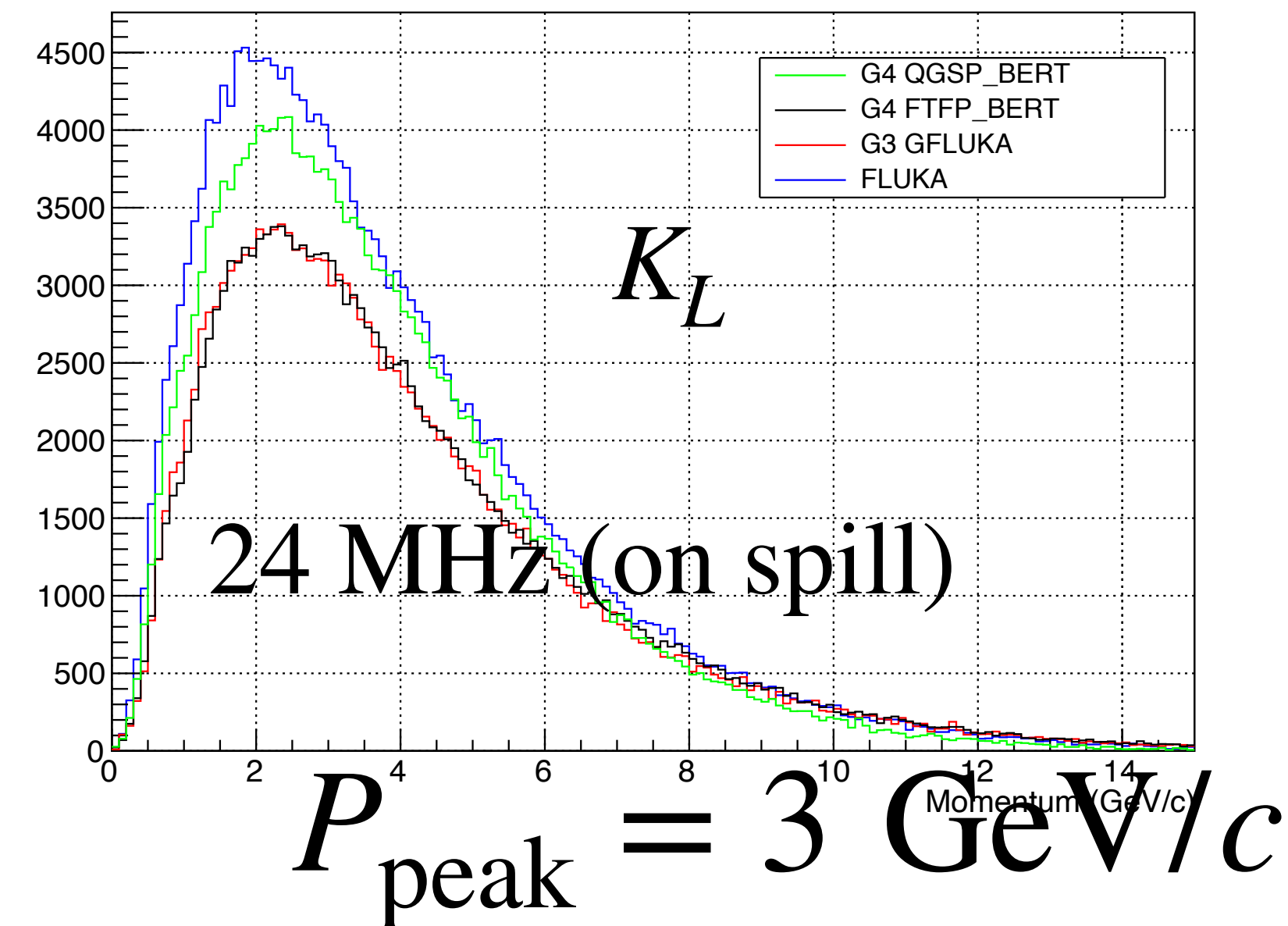
$\times 2.4$ gain from KOTO

$1.1 \times 10^7 K_L / (2 \times 10^{13} \text{ POT})$ at the entrance of detector for 100 kW beam on T2

K_L rate at the detector

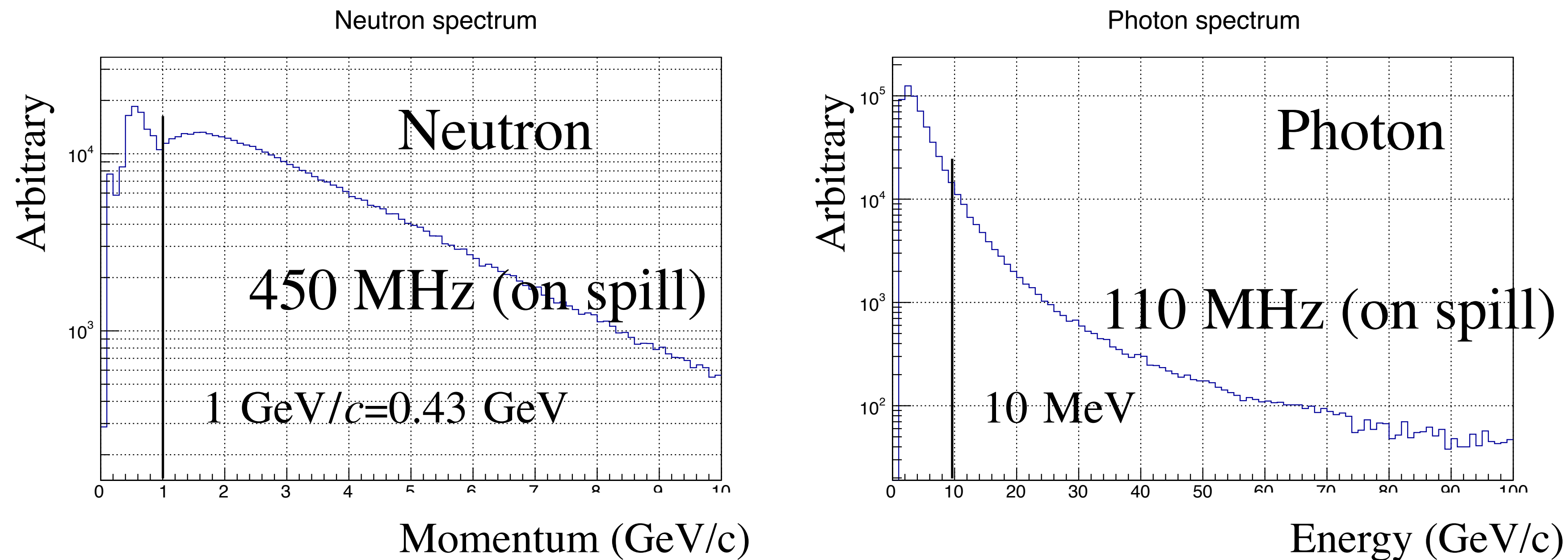
- 100 kW beam on T2 target
- 1λ target length (63% loss)
- 2-s spill / 4.2-s repetition cycle

- 8.8×10^{13} POT /spill
- 24 MHz K_L incident in the dector during spill



$$1.1 \times 10^7 K_L / (2 \times 10^{13} \text{ POT})$$

Beam core neutron and photon



| Particle | Energy range | On-spill rate (MHz) |
|----------|--------------|---------------------|
| K_L | | 24 |
| Photon | >10 MeV | 110 |
| | >100 MeV | 24 |
| Neutron | >0.1 GeV | 660 |
| | >1 GeV | 450 |

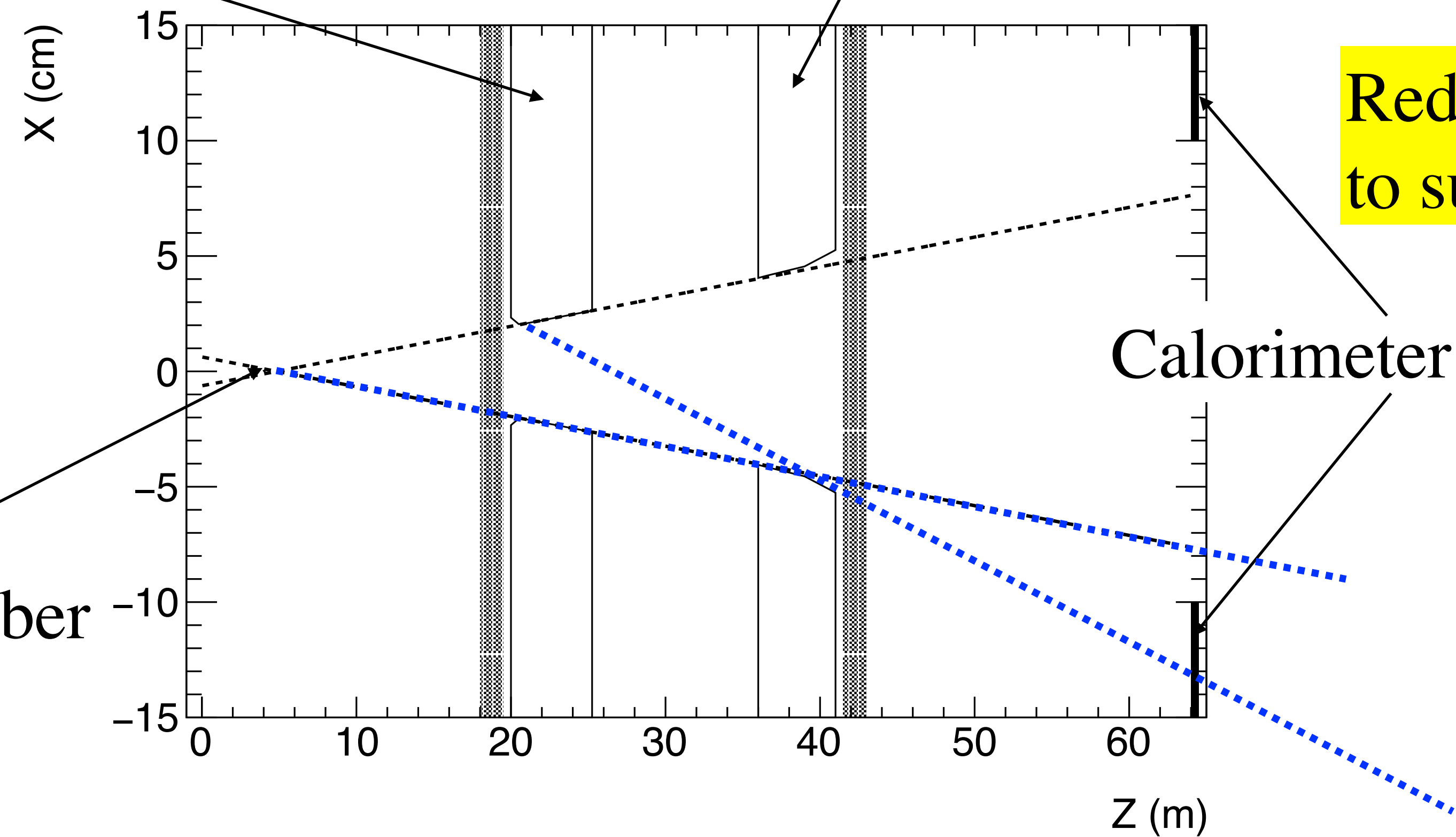
Harsh condition
for in-beam counters

Collimator design to suppress beam halo

1st collimator
Define the shape
→ $4.8 \mu\text{sr}$

2nd collimator
Cut particles from Photon absorber
Cut particles from edge of 1st collimator
Hide inner surface from the target

7-cm long
Pb photon absorber

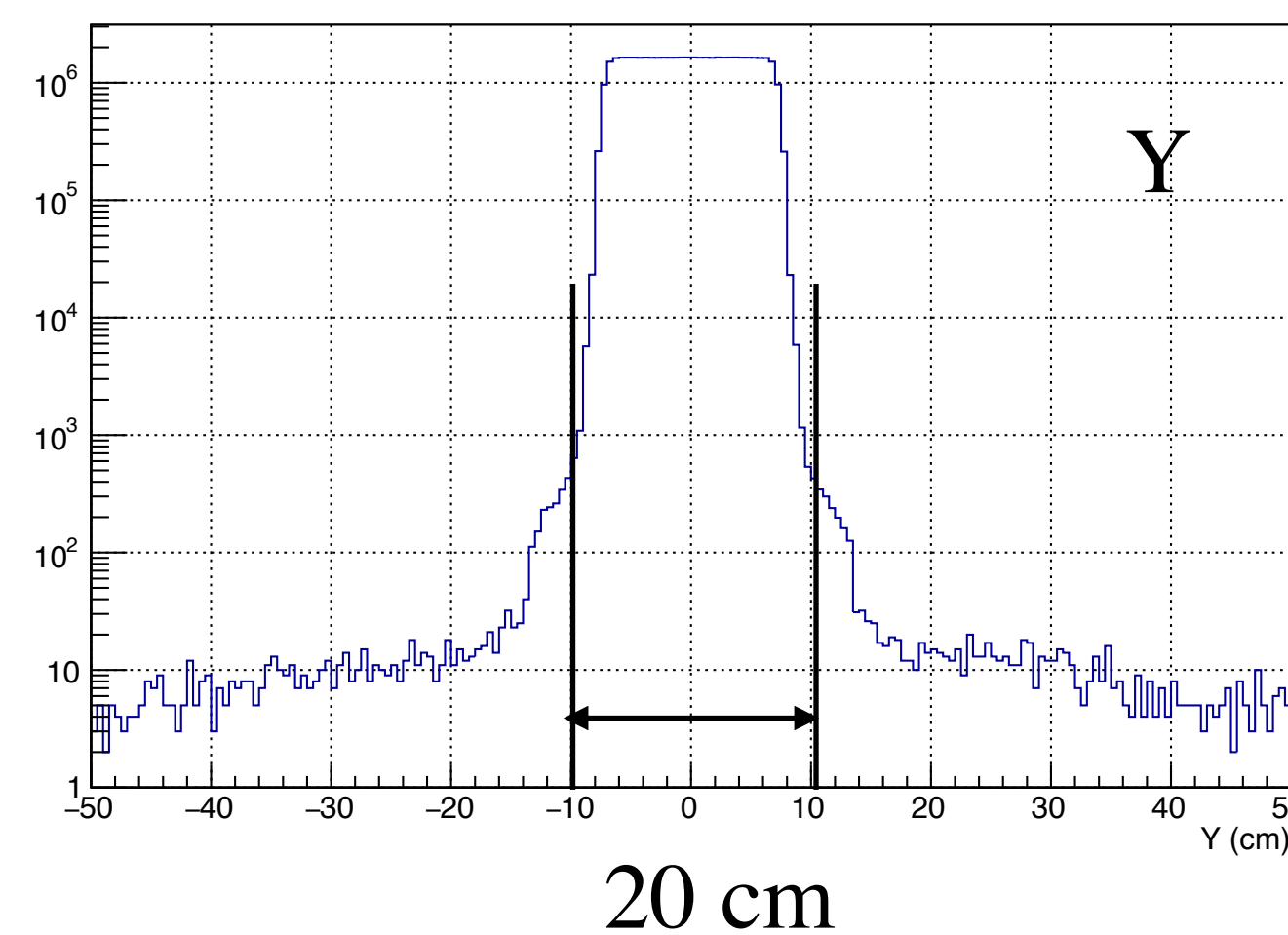
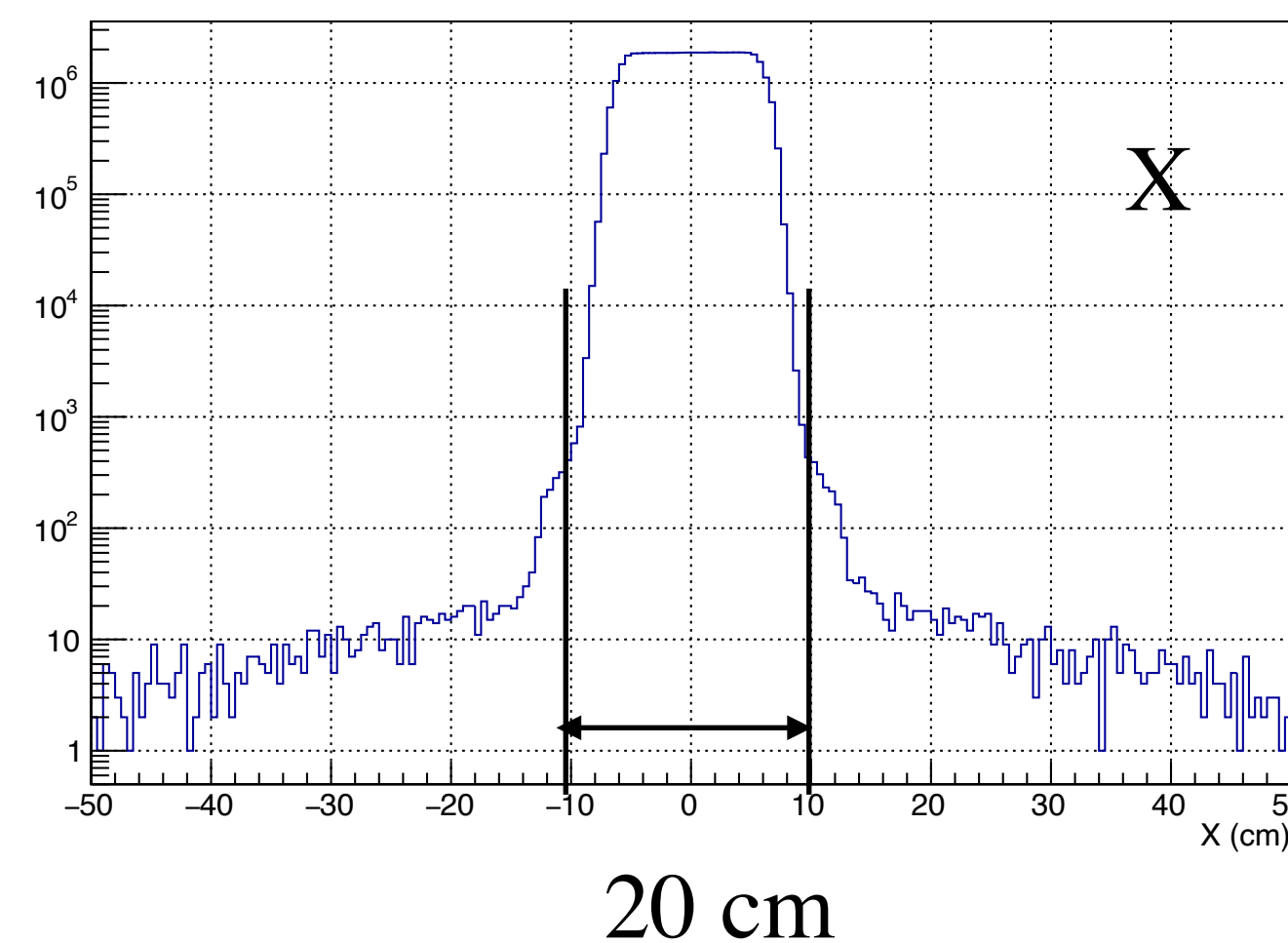
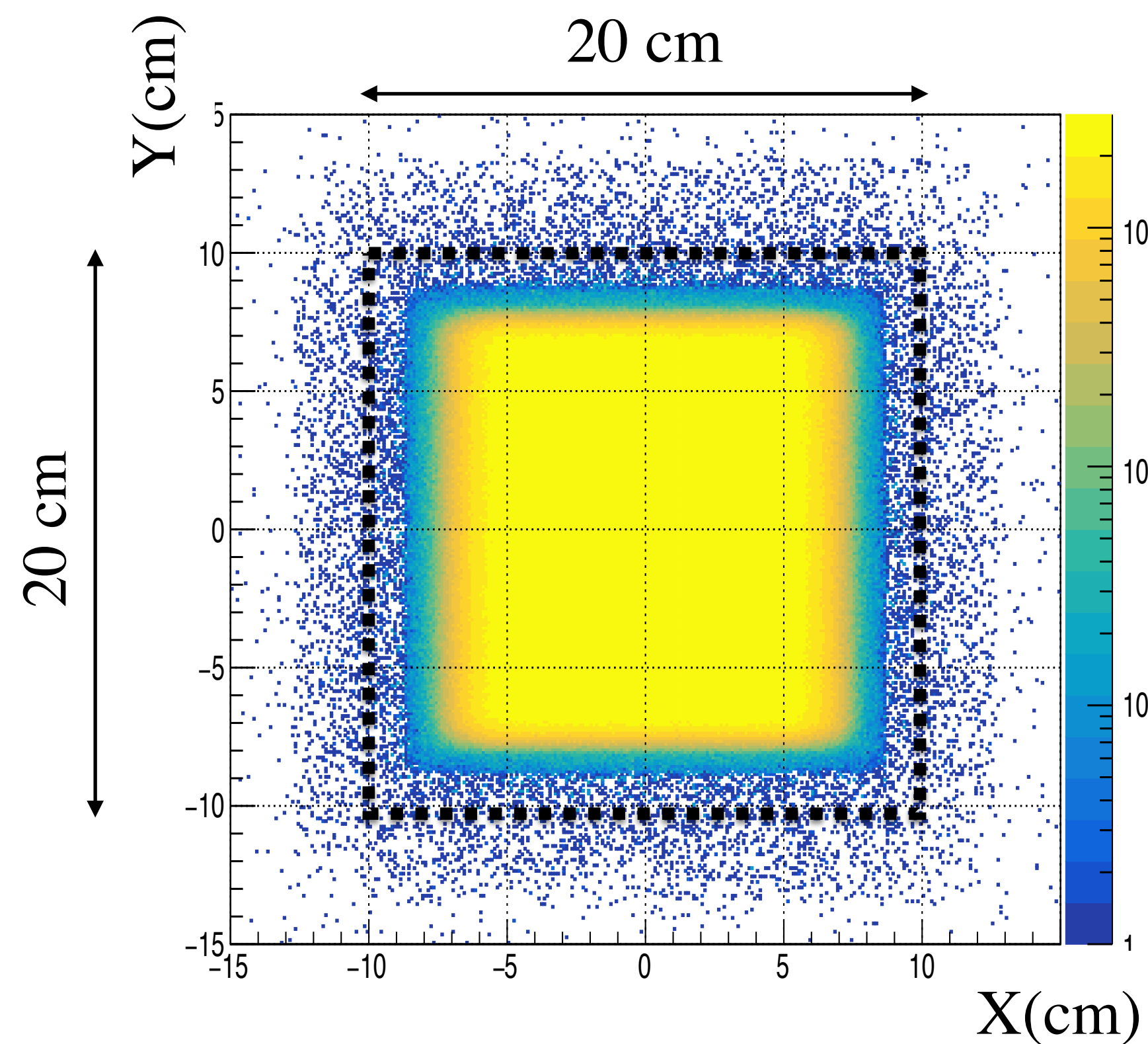


Reduce 2nd scattering points
to suppress beam halo

Calorimeter

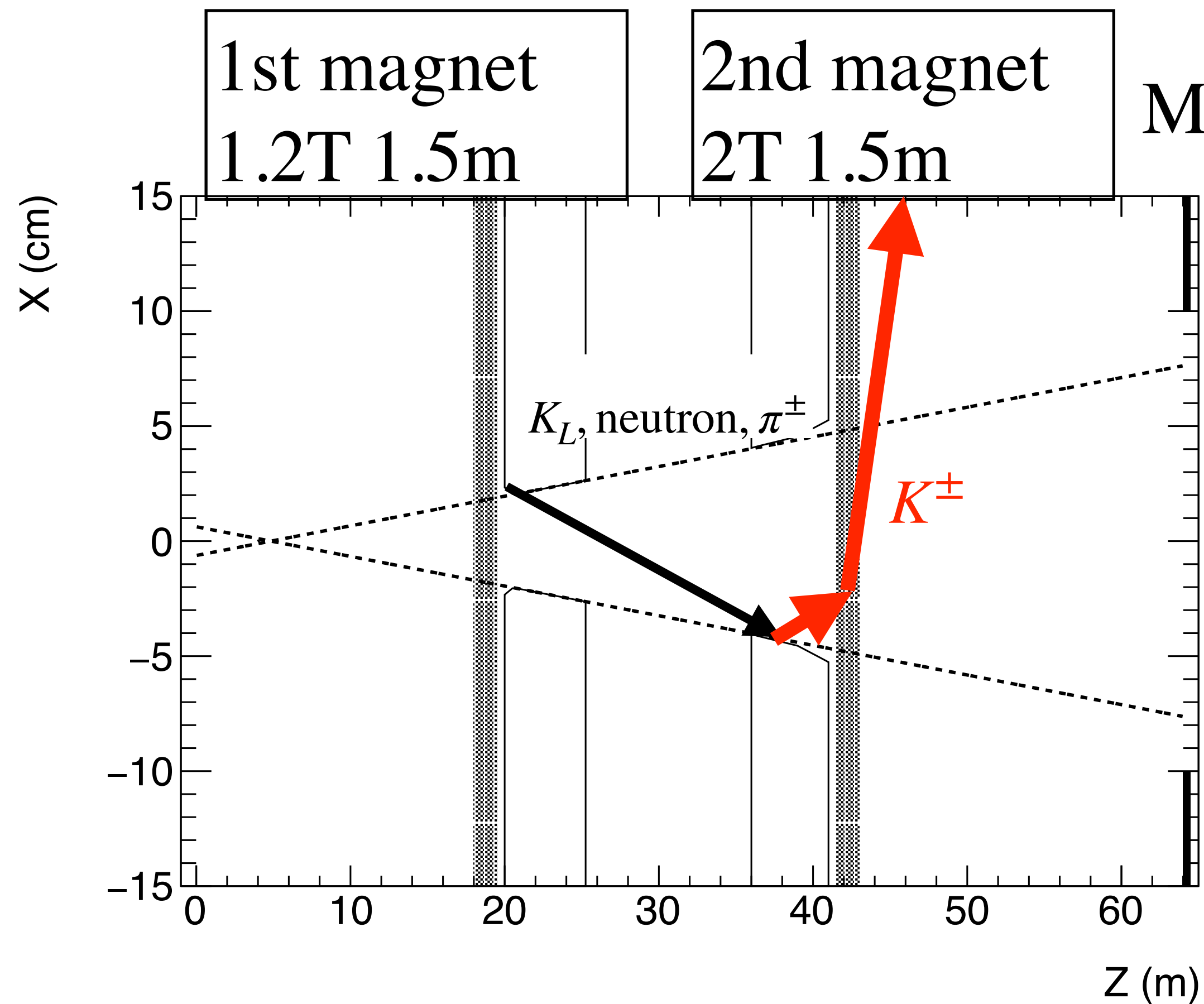
Flux of beam halo neutron

XY profile of neutrons at 64 m downstream of T2 = Z@Calorimeter
 20-cm square region=Calorimeter beam hole



$R(\text{halo/core}) = 1.8 \times 10^{-4}$
 \rightarrow halo neutron background

Magnets to suppress charged particles



$R(K^+/K_L) = 4.1 \times 10^{-6}$ without 2nd magnet
 $\rightarrow < 1.1 \times 10^{-6}$ with 2nd magnet

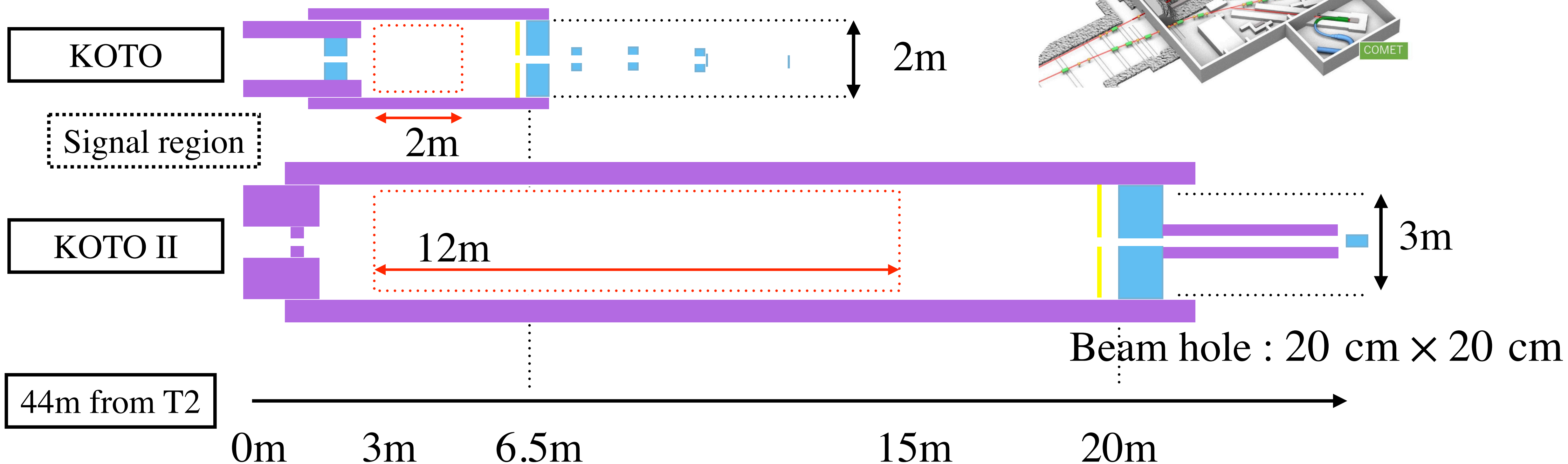
$R(K^+/K_L) = 0.41 \times 10^{-6}$ is assumed
 for background study

KOTO-II detector

Peak K_L momentum : 1.4 GeV/c (step-1) \rightarrow 3 GeV/c (step-2)

Possible to use longer decay volume (2 m \rightarrow 12 m)

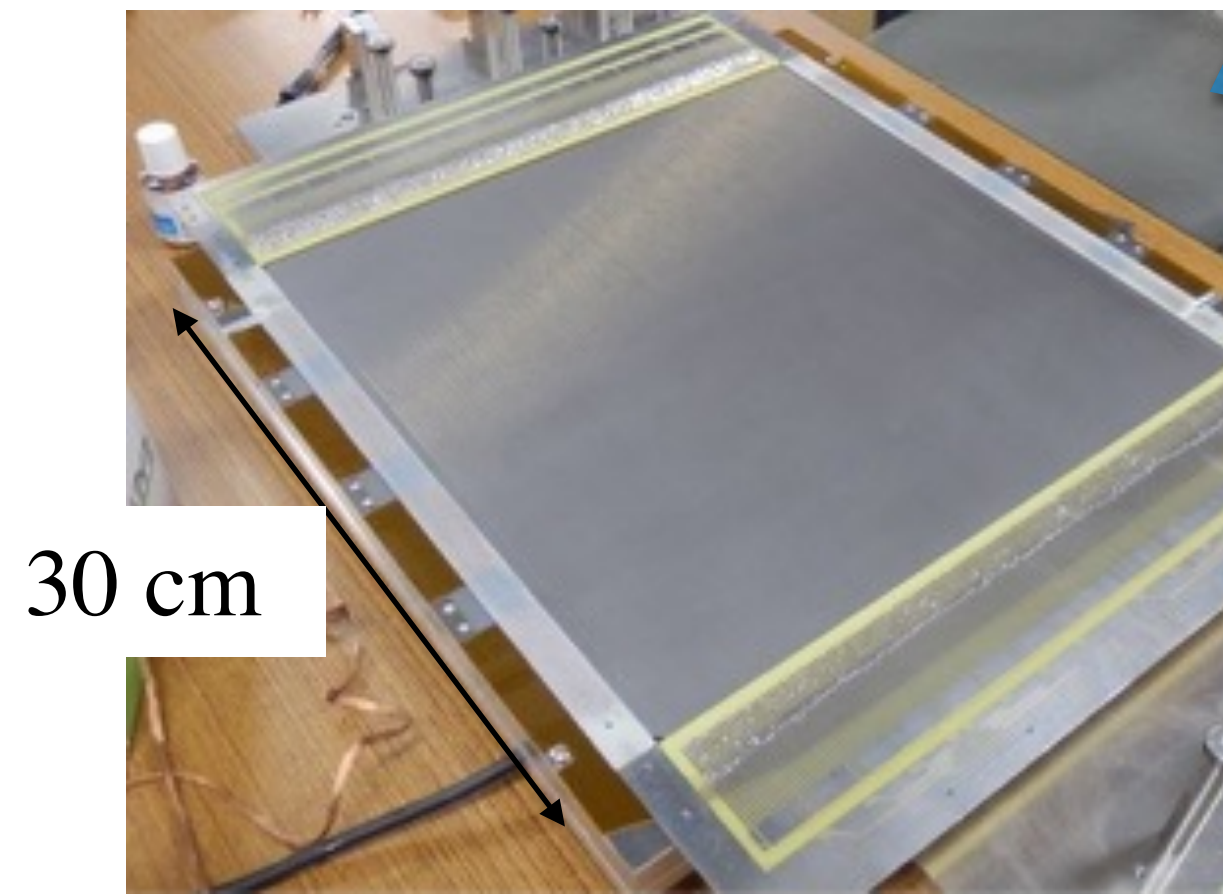
Larger diameter calorimeter (2 m \rightarrow 3 m)



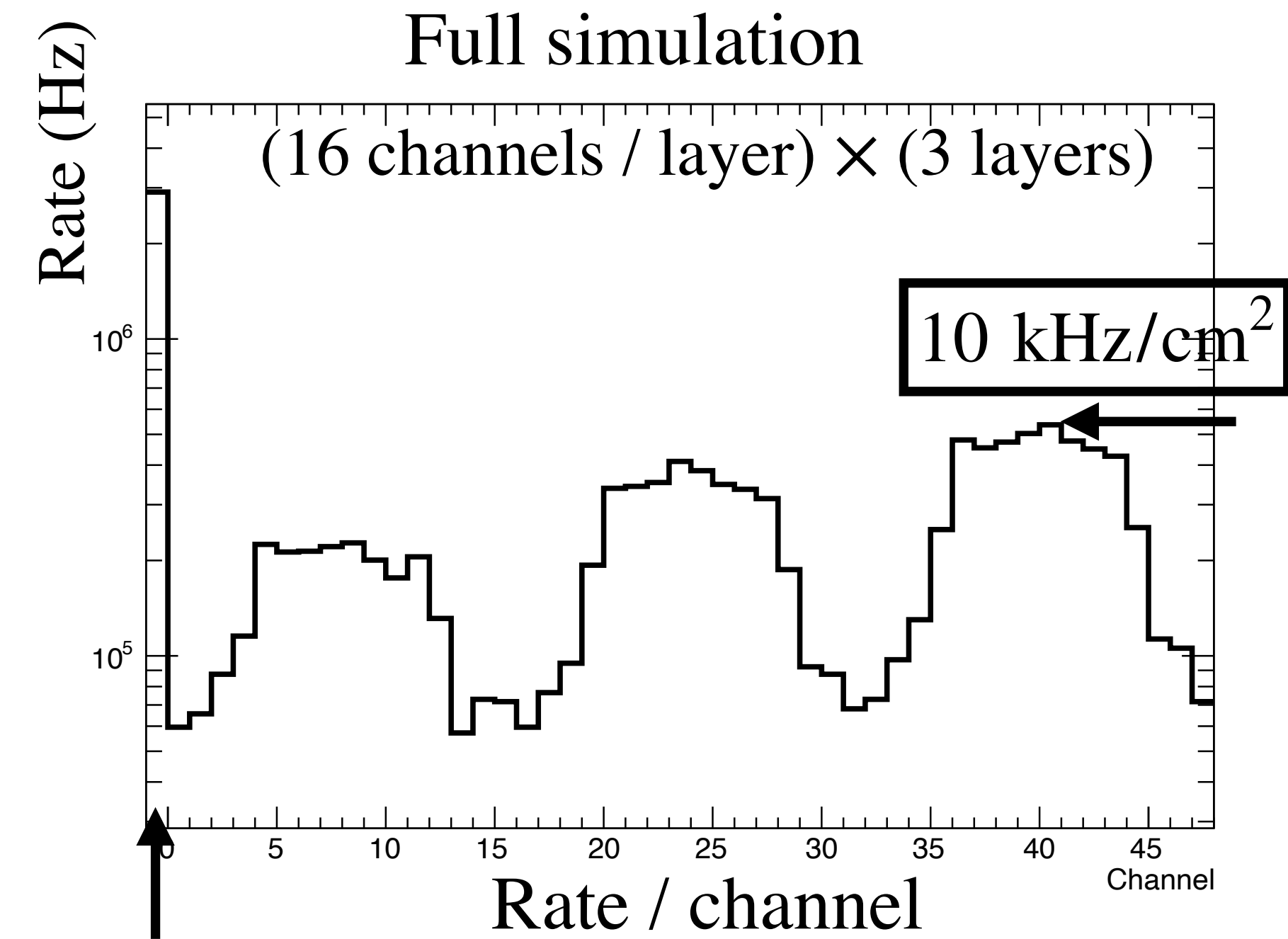
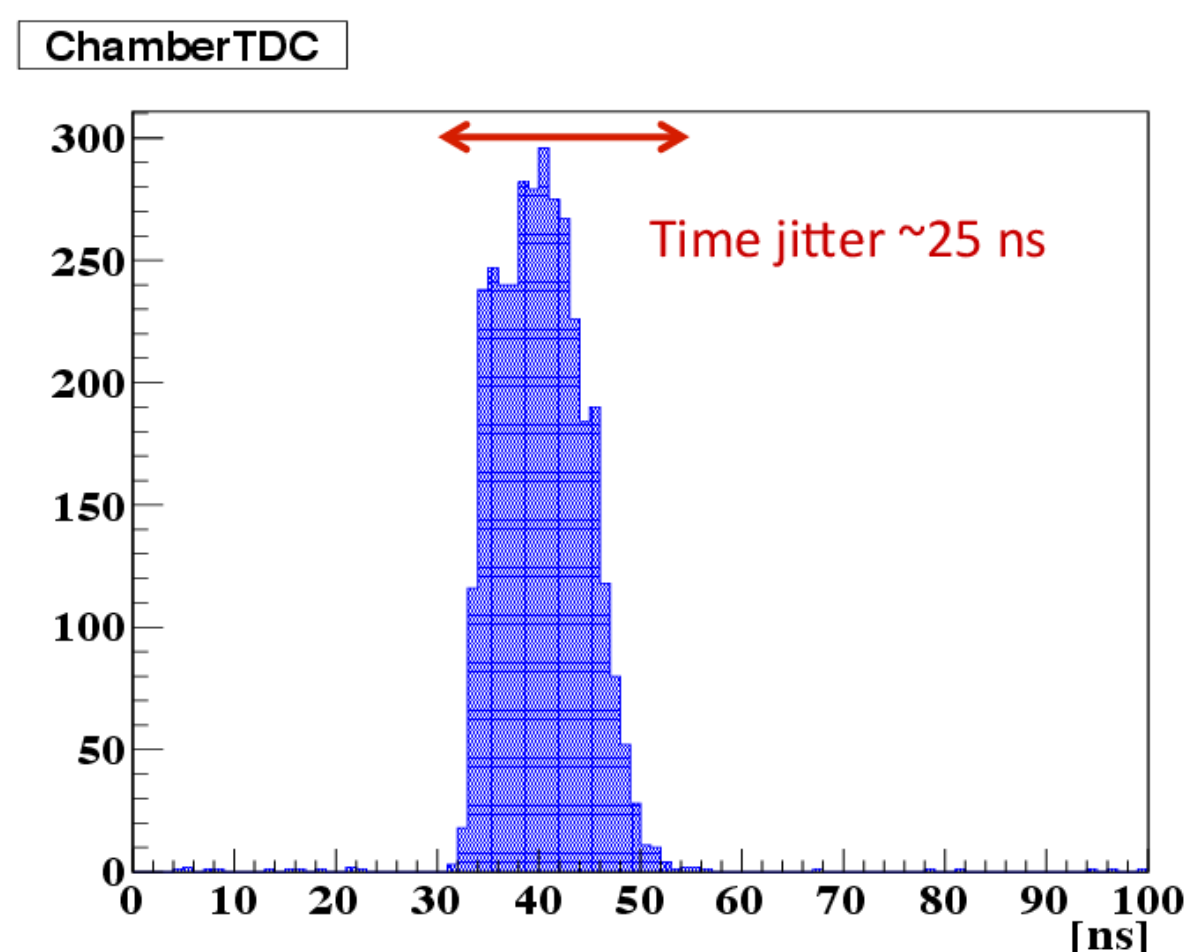
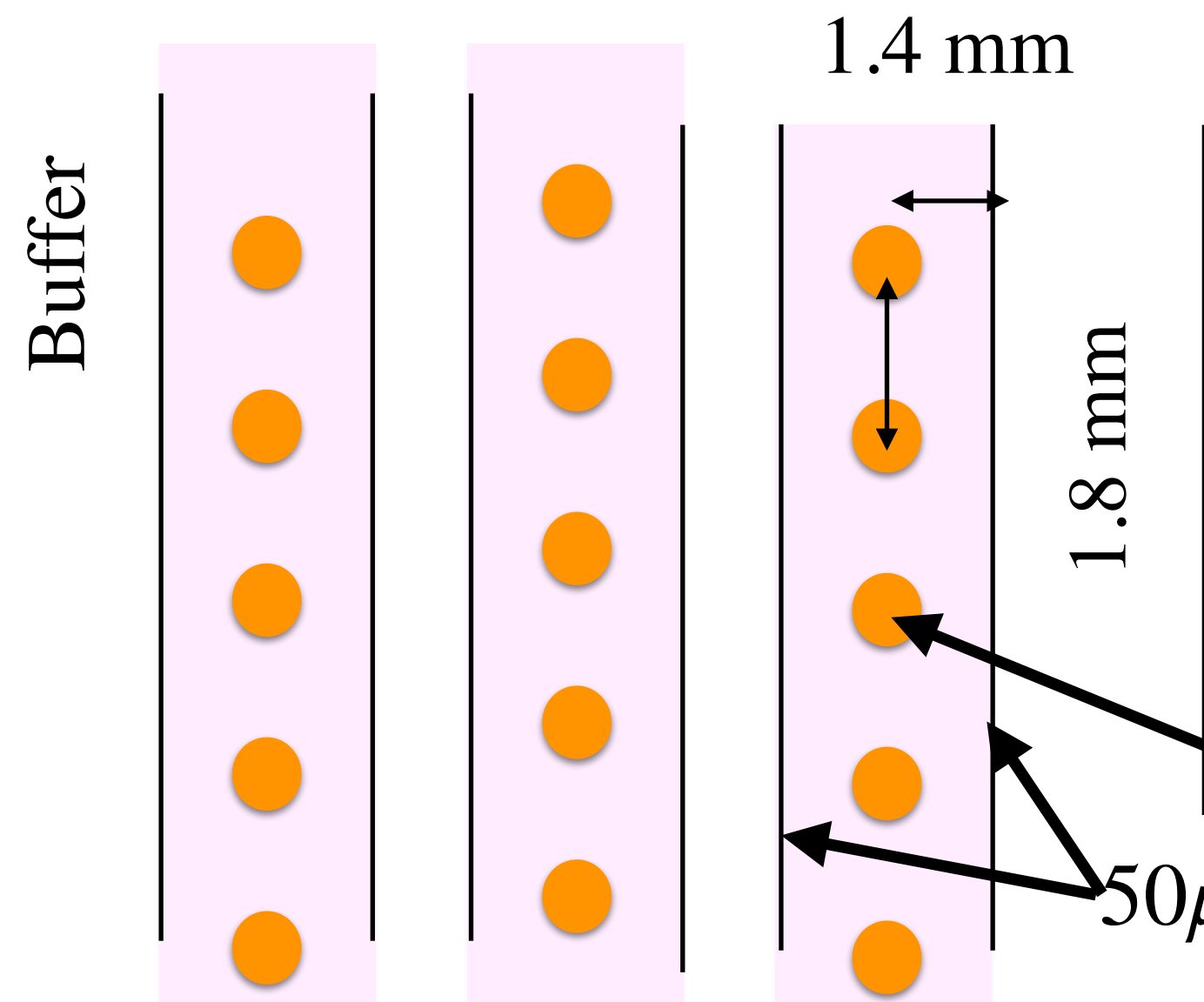
Candidate of in-beam charged veto

Thinner is better
→ Less hits due to γ /neutrons

MWPC-type gas wire chamber
 (Thin Gap Chamber)
 Tolerable for 100kHz/cm² hit rate
 99.9% efficiency with 2-out-of-3 logic
 Used in KOTO



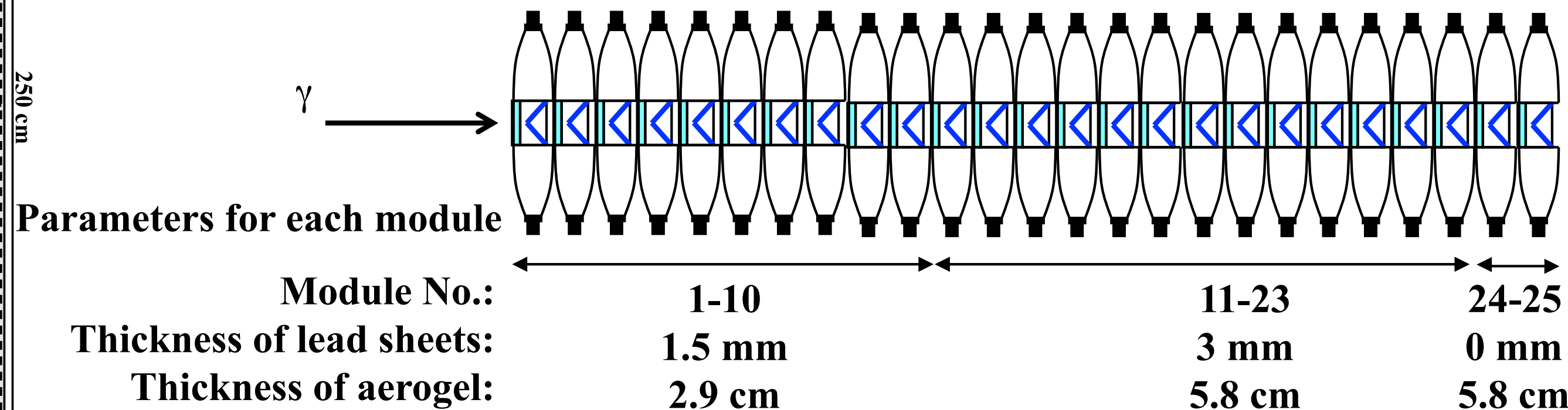
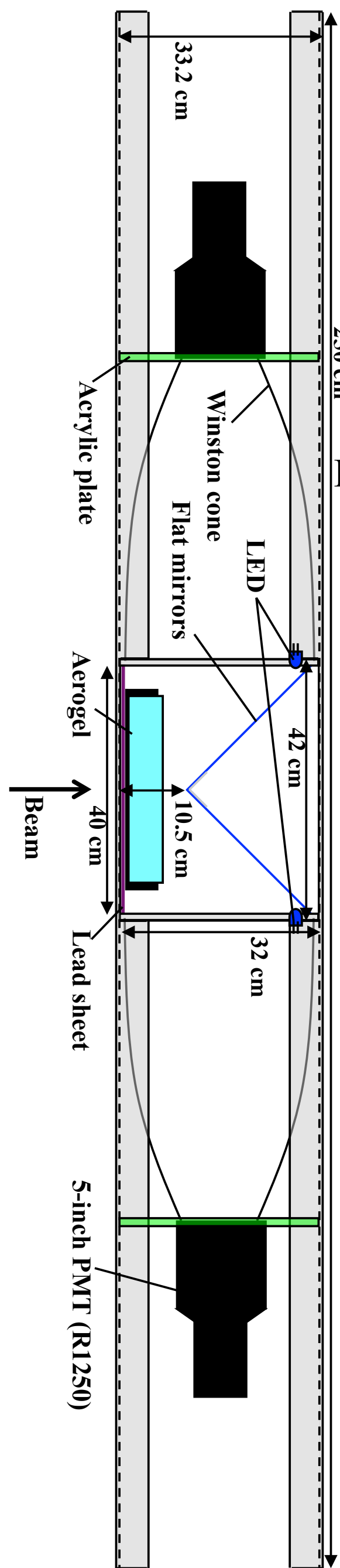
Gas : CF₄:n-pentane = 55:45



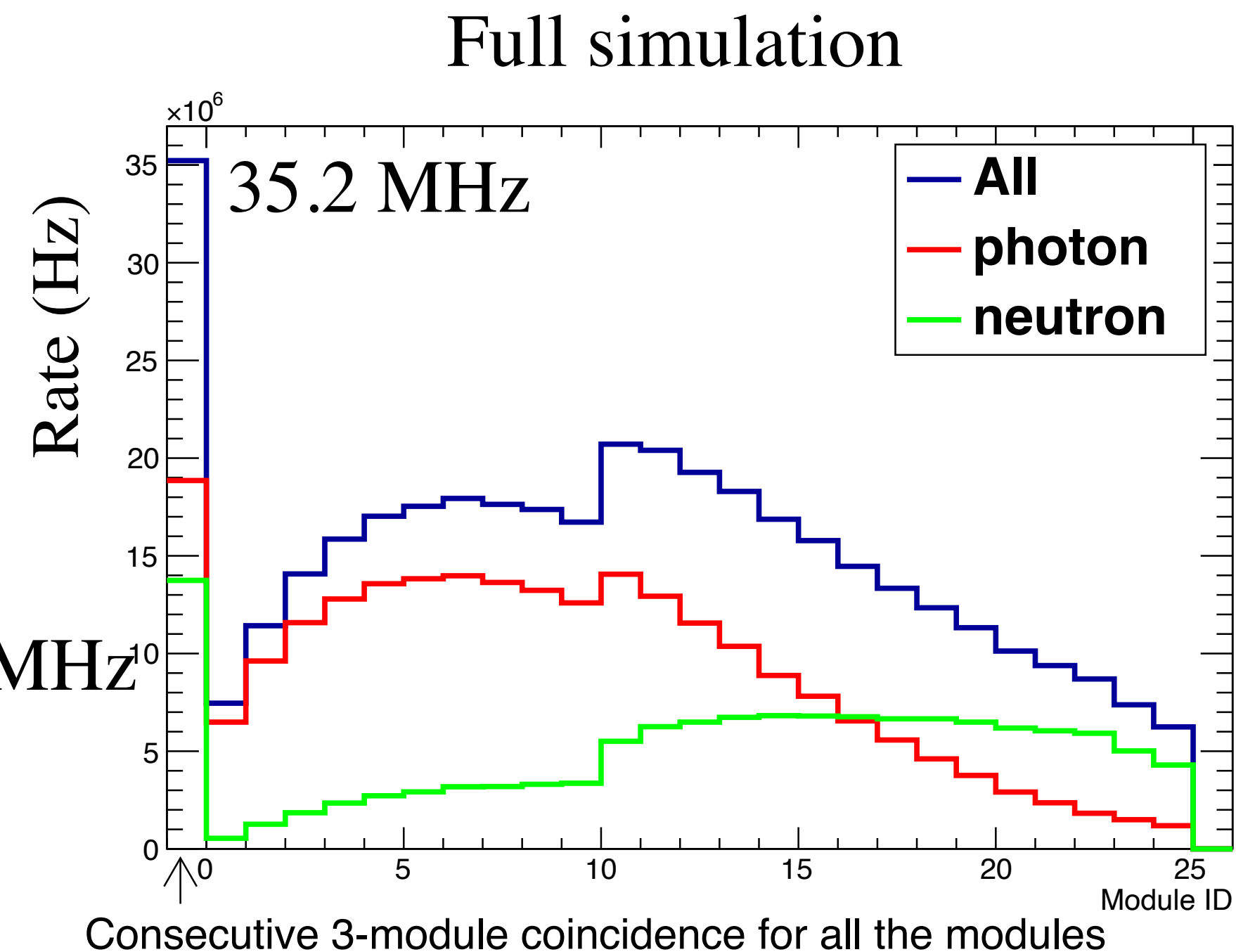
Counter rate with 2-out-of-3 logic

Operational
30-ns veto window
2.9 MHz hit
8.3% loss contribution

Candidate of in-beam photon veto

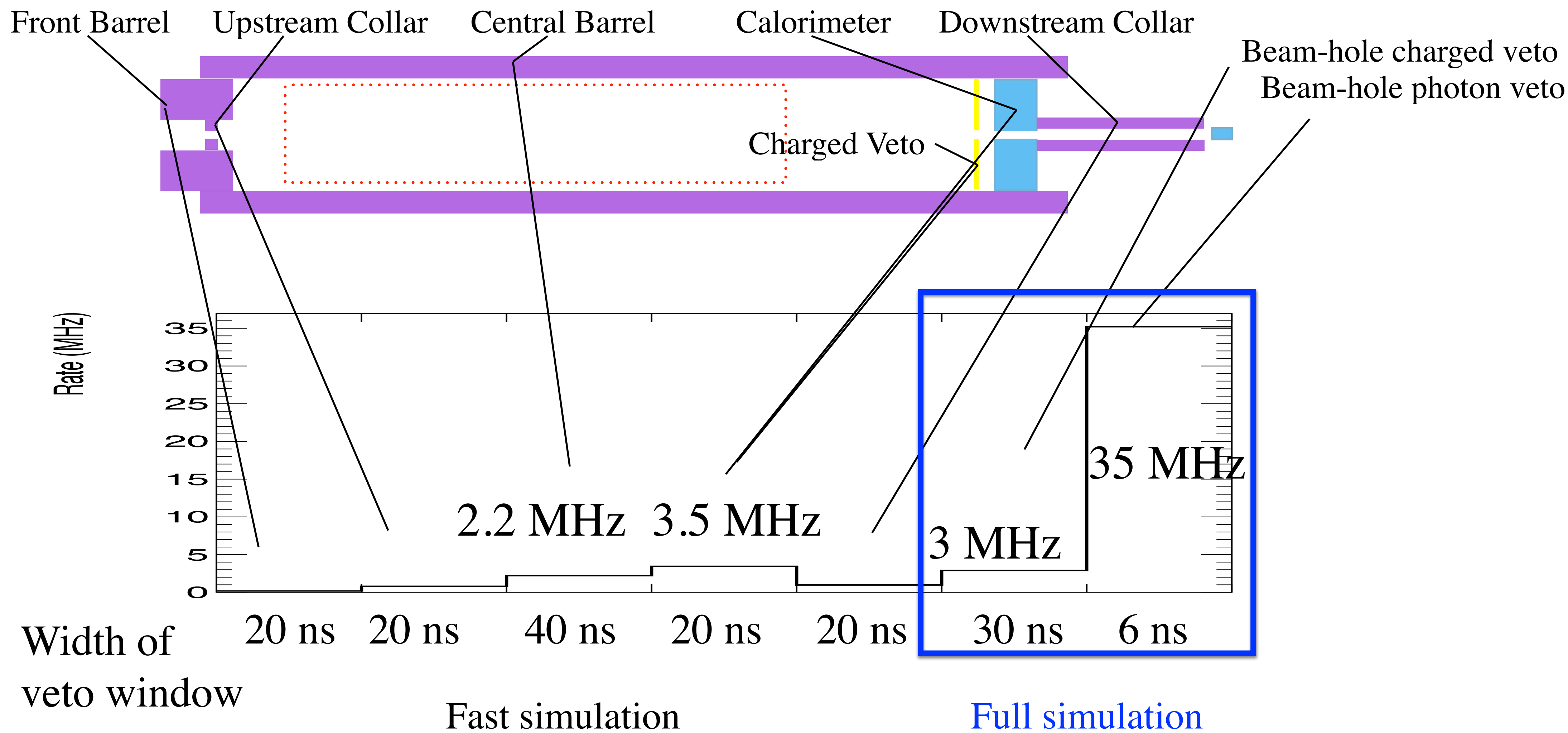


- Lead : photon $\rightarrow e^+e^-$
 - Aerogel : Cherenkov radiator
 - 3-consecutive hits
- These reduce neutron / low energy γ hits
Used in KOTO



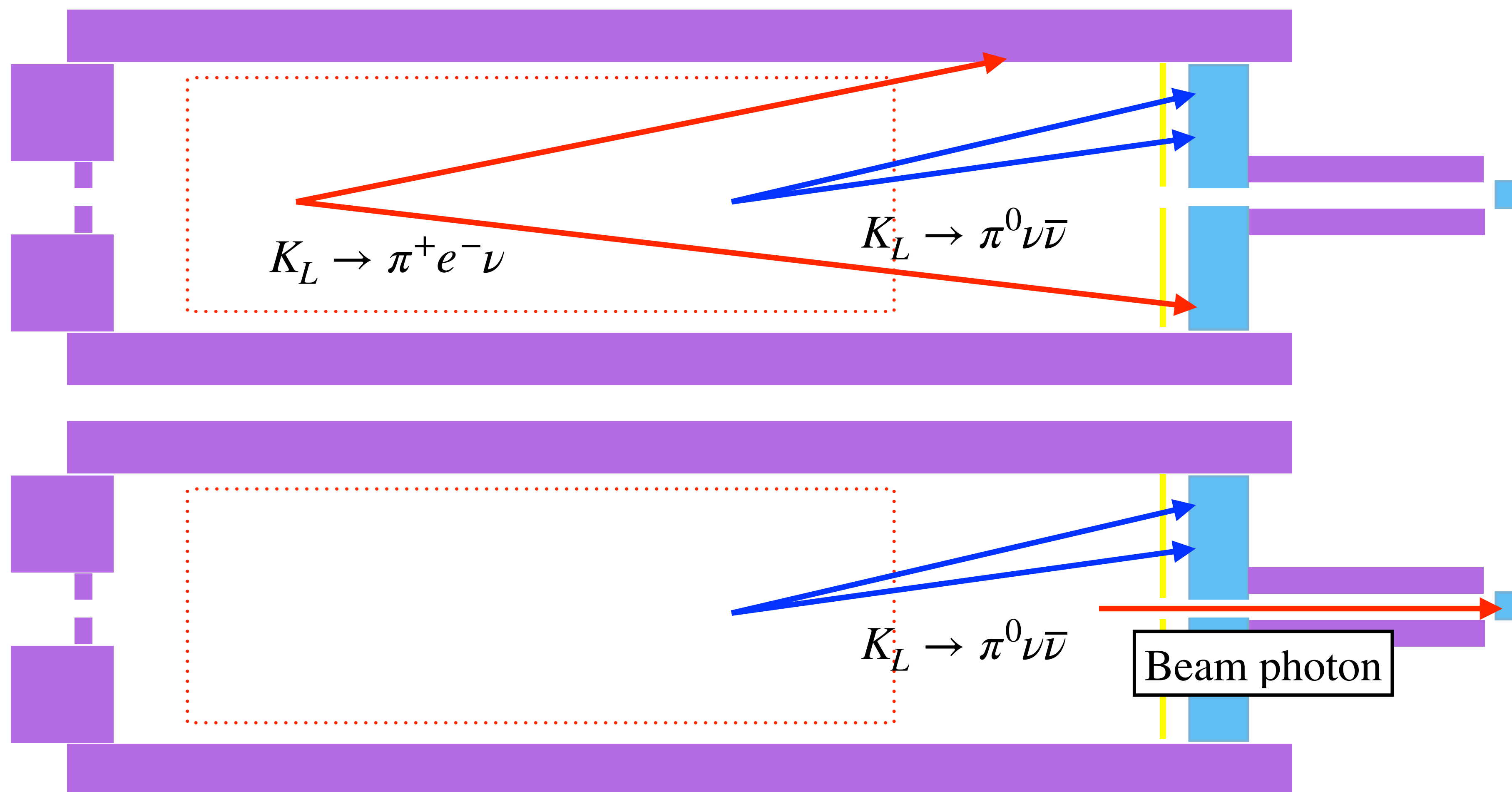
35.2 MHz, 6-ns veto window
 → 19% accidental loss contribution
 → PMT with moderate gain+ fast amplifier

Detector rate environment

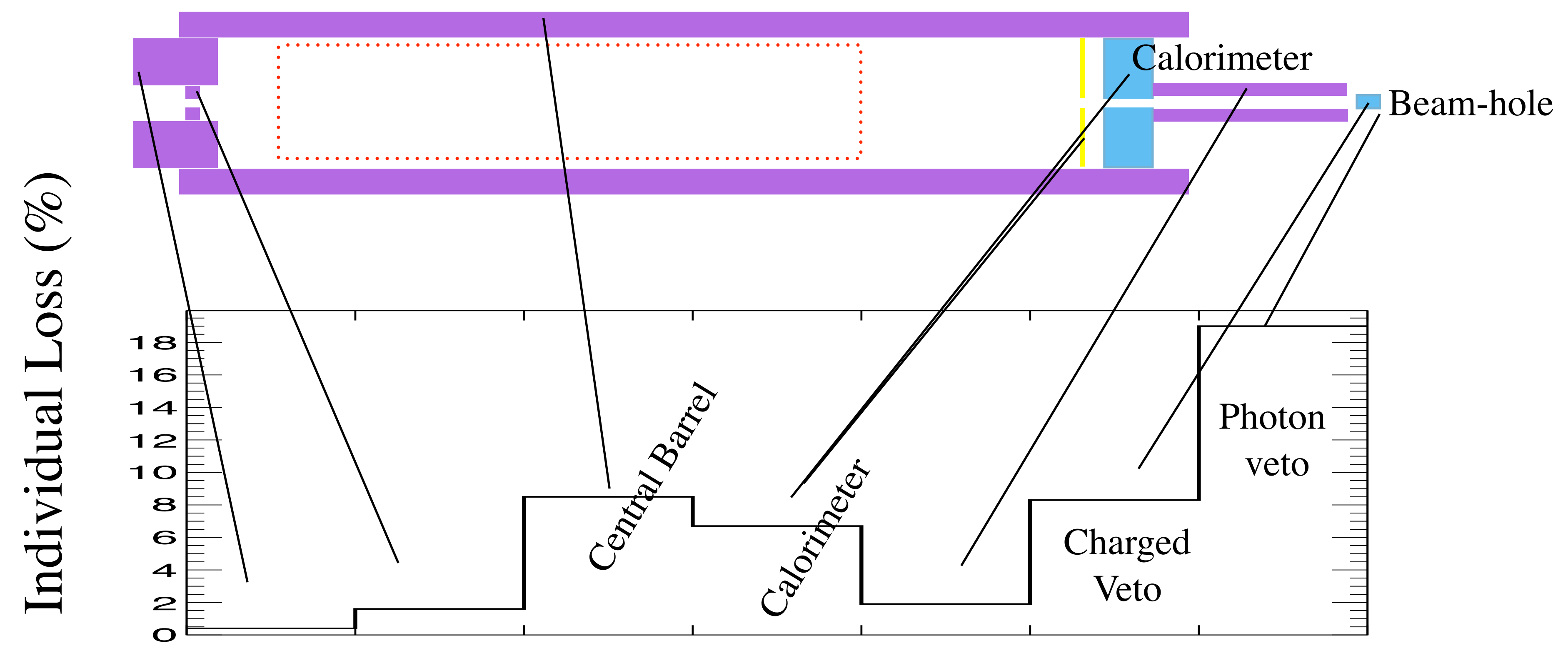


Accidental loss

Signal can be vetoed with accidental K_L decay or beam particle hits



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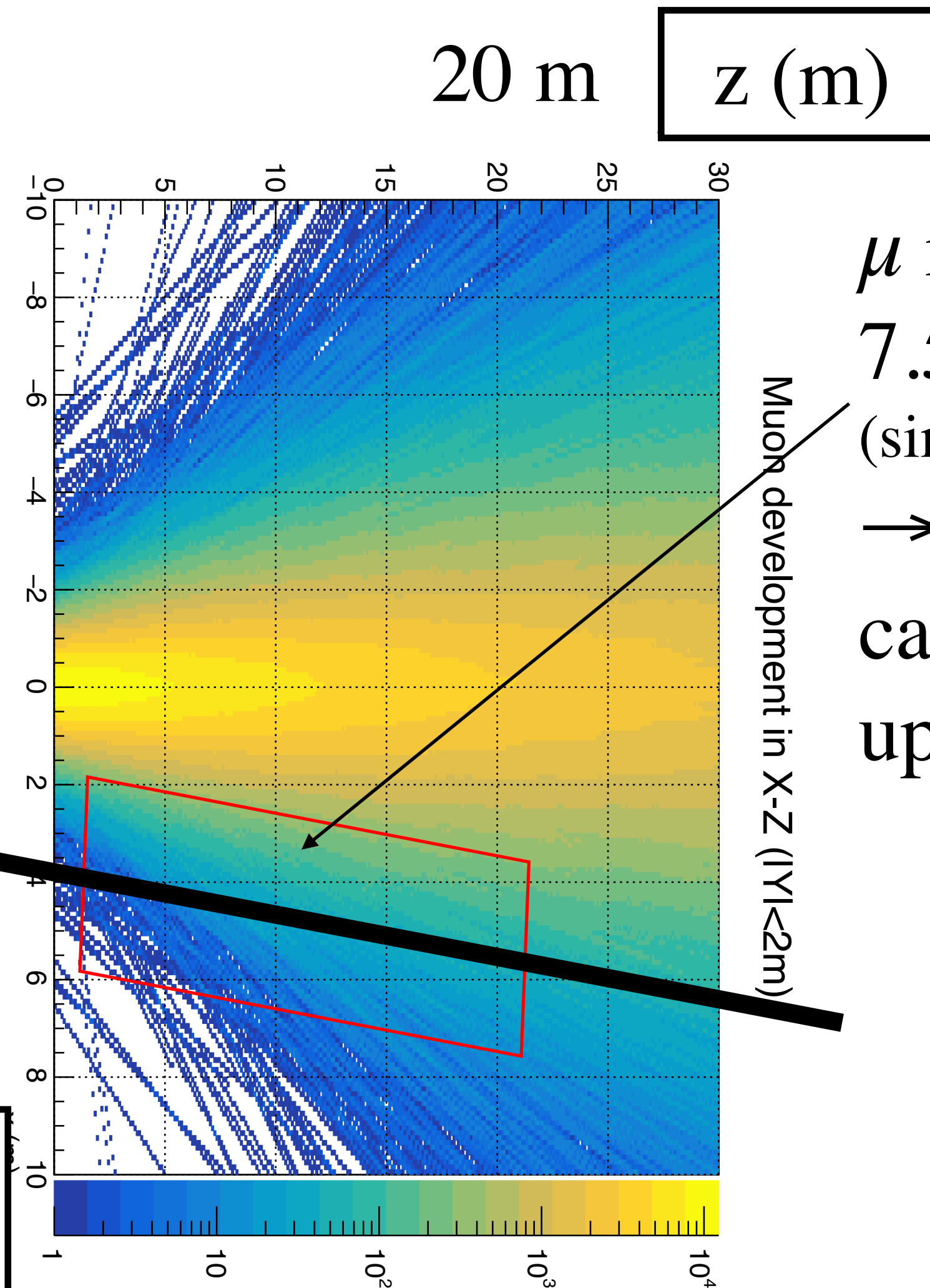
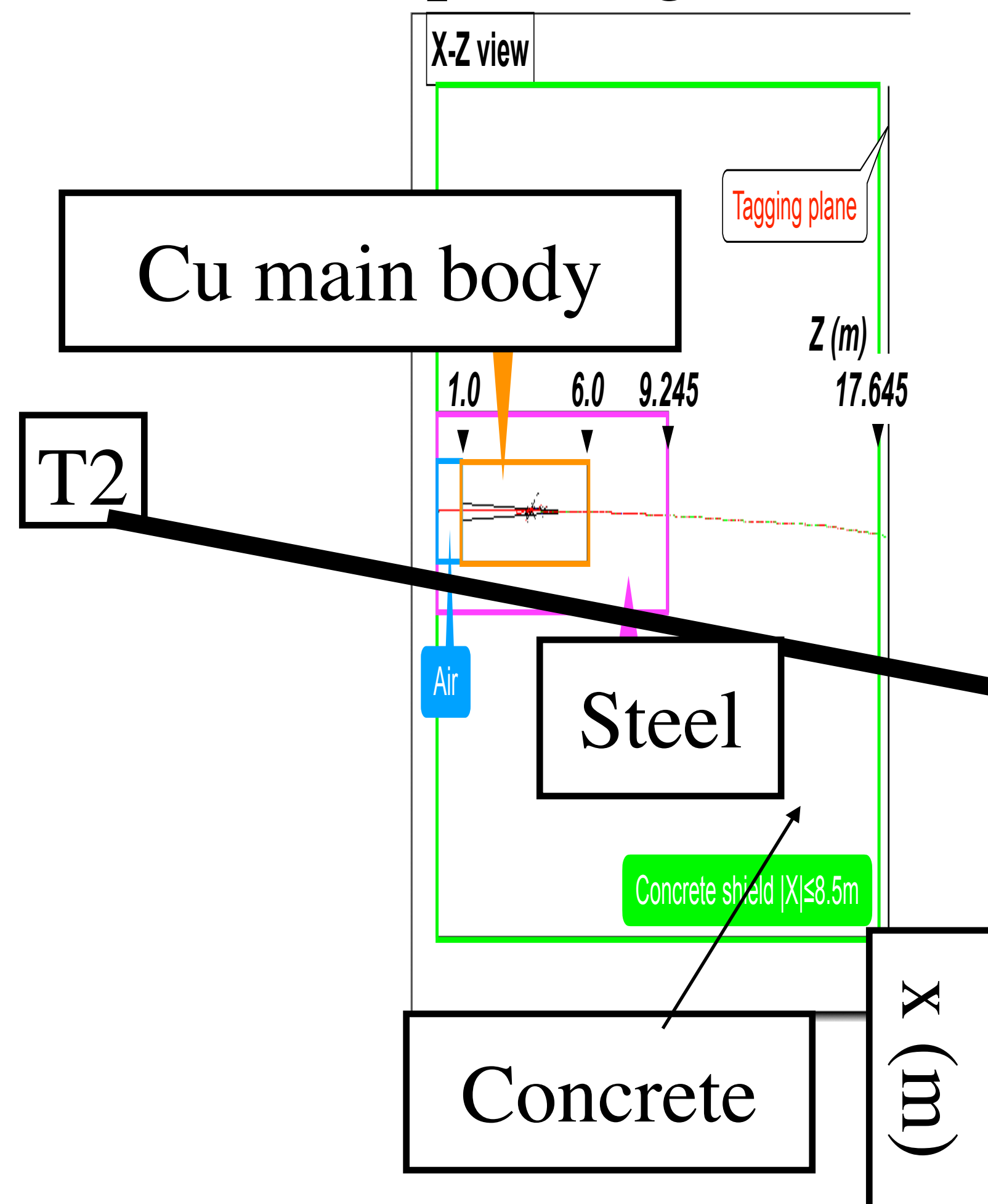


Width of veto window

$$\text{Accidental Loss} = 1 - \exp\left(-\sum_i \text{Rate}_i \times \text{Width}_i\right) = 39\%$$

Radiation environment behind the dump

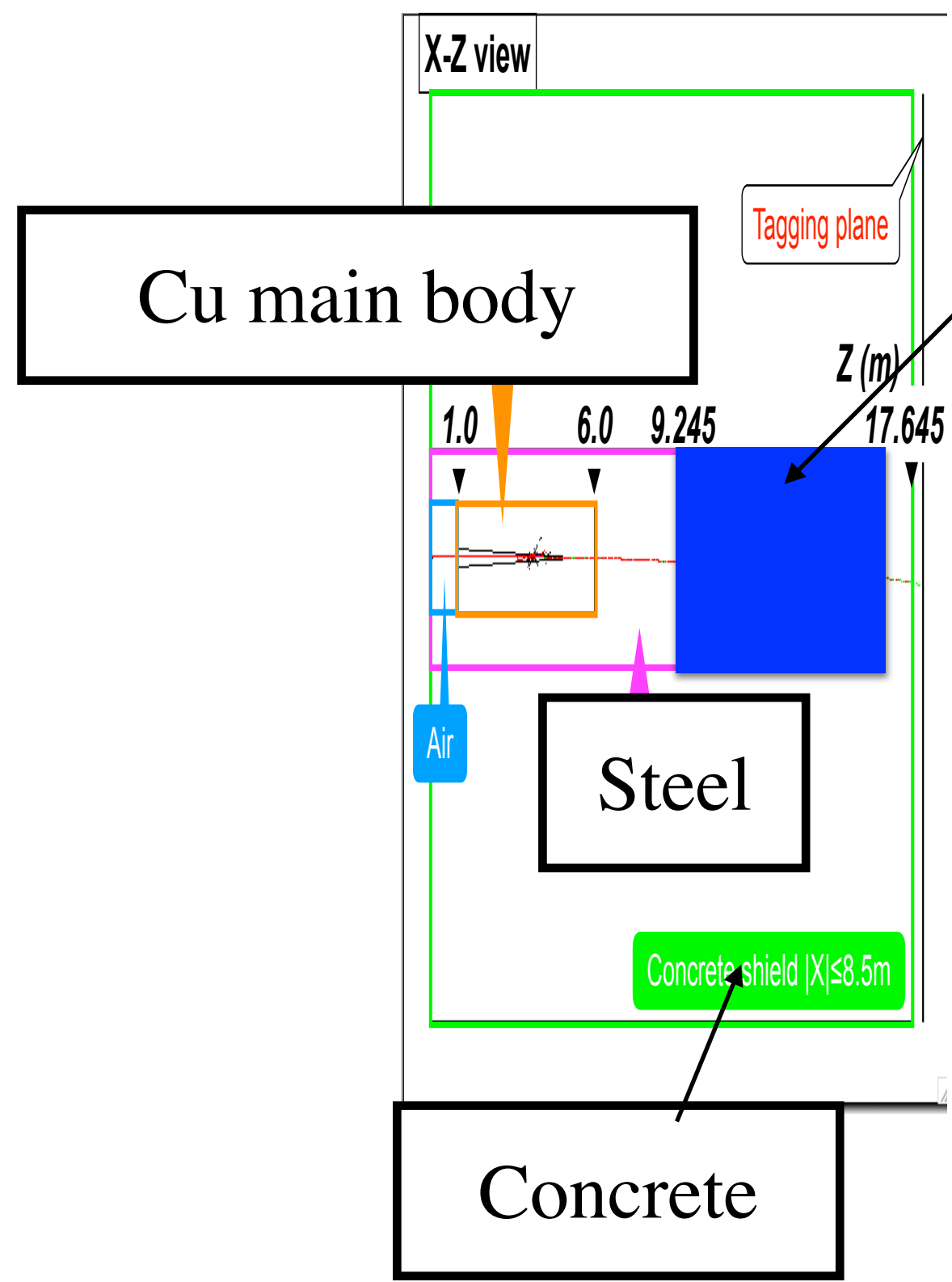
Current dump configuration



Radiation environment behind the dump

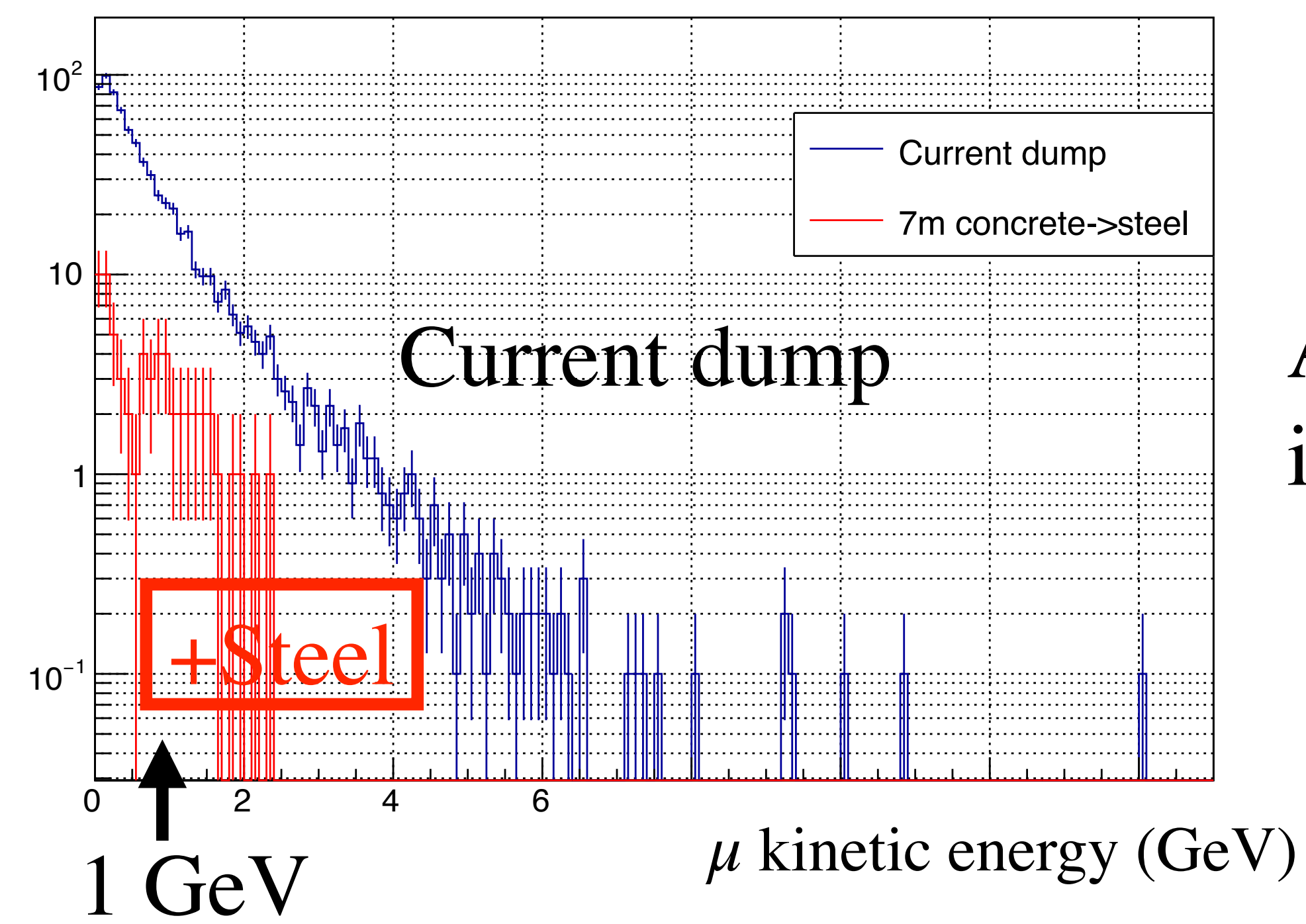
Proposed dump configuration

Additional steel $4 \times 3 \times 7 \text{ m}^3$



$7.5 \text{ MHz} \rightarrow 0.7 \text{ MHz}$

Muons crossing detector region



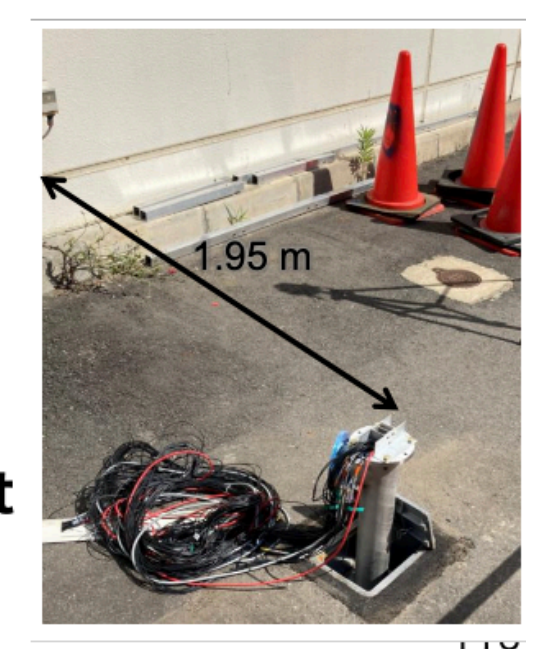
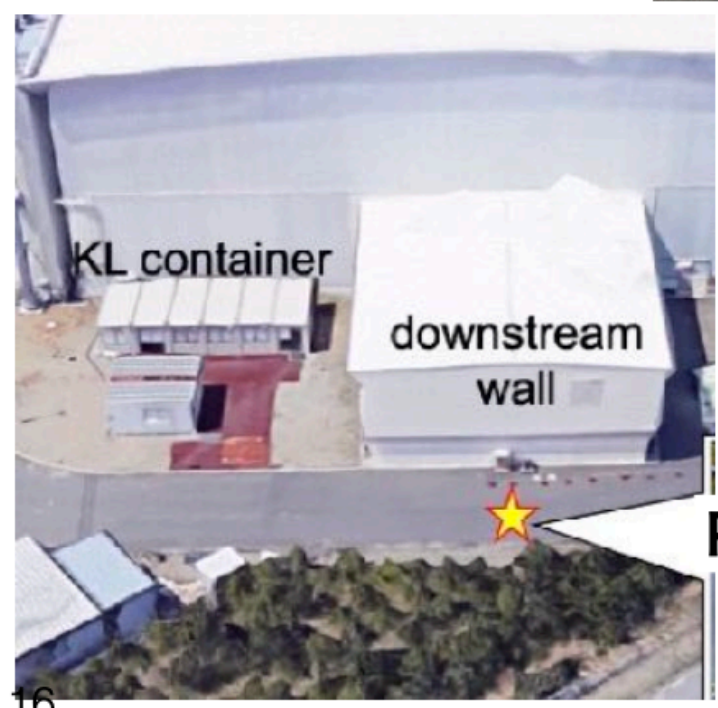
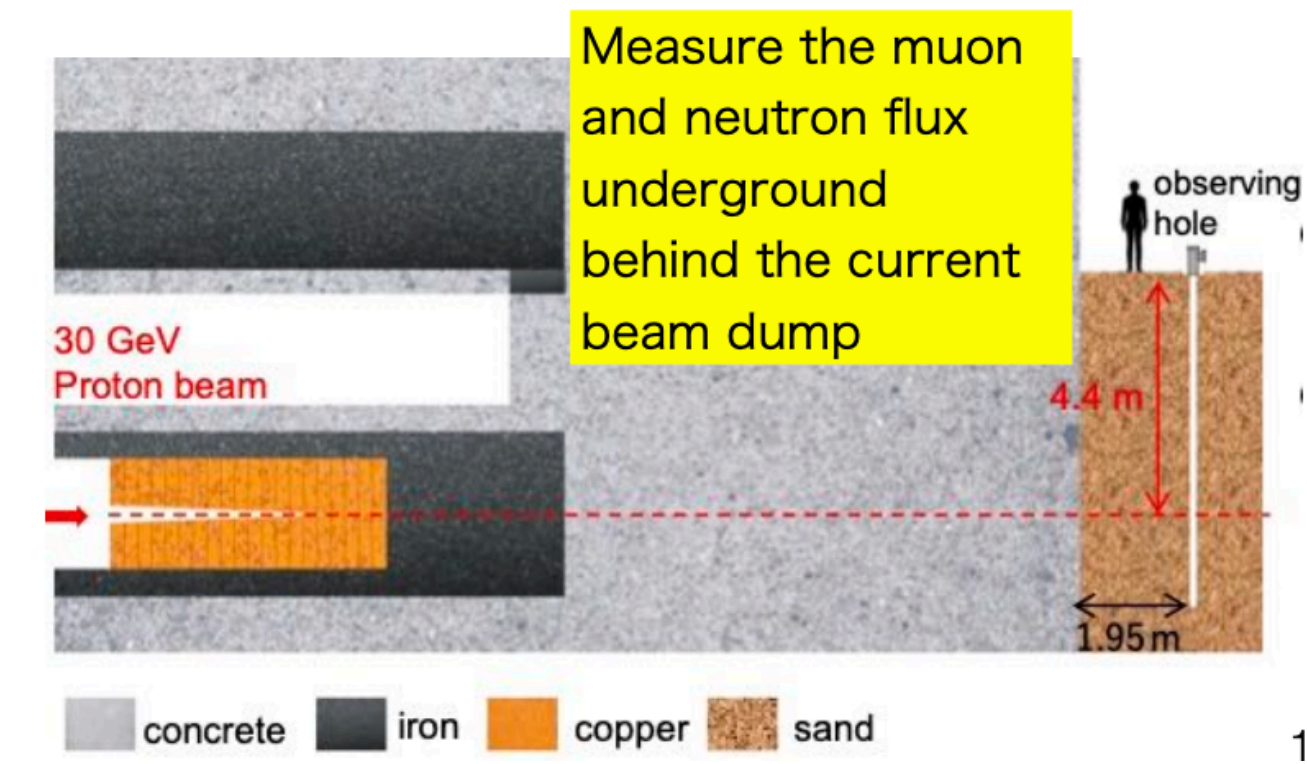
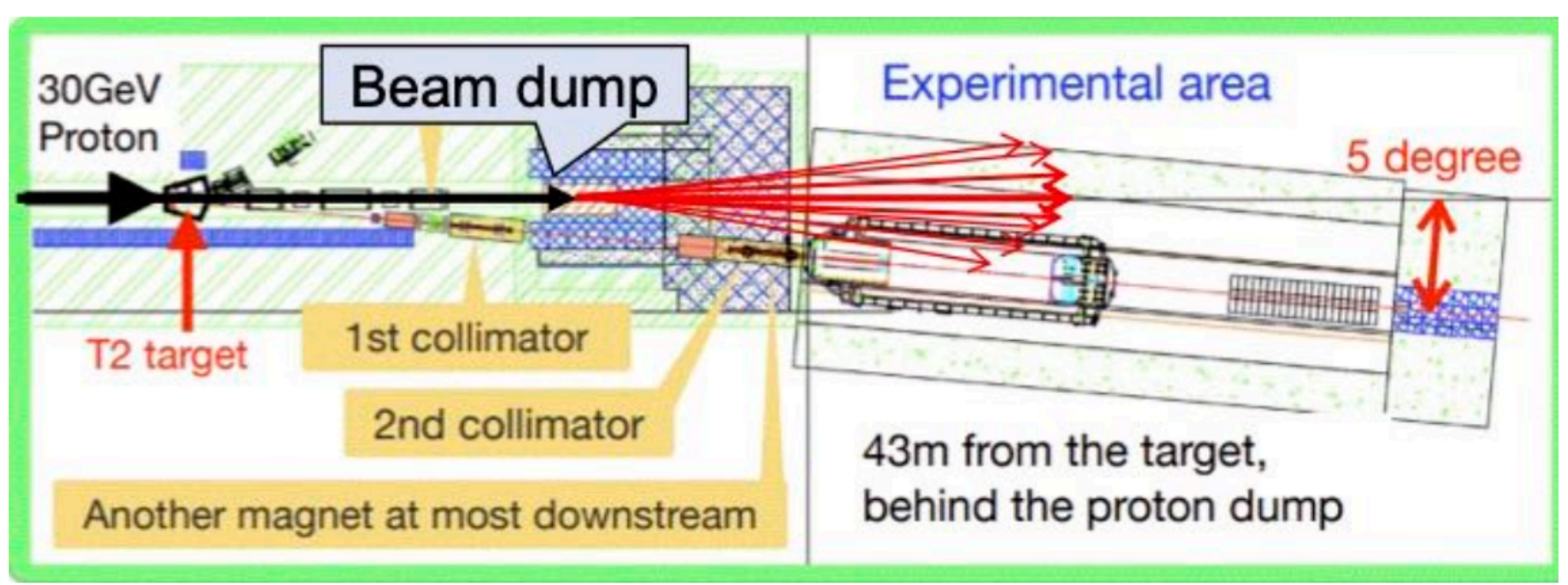
Additional steel is included in the budget request

Update
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T.Matsumura

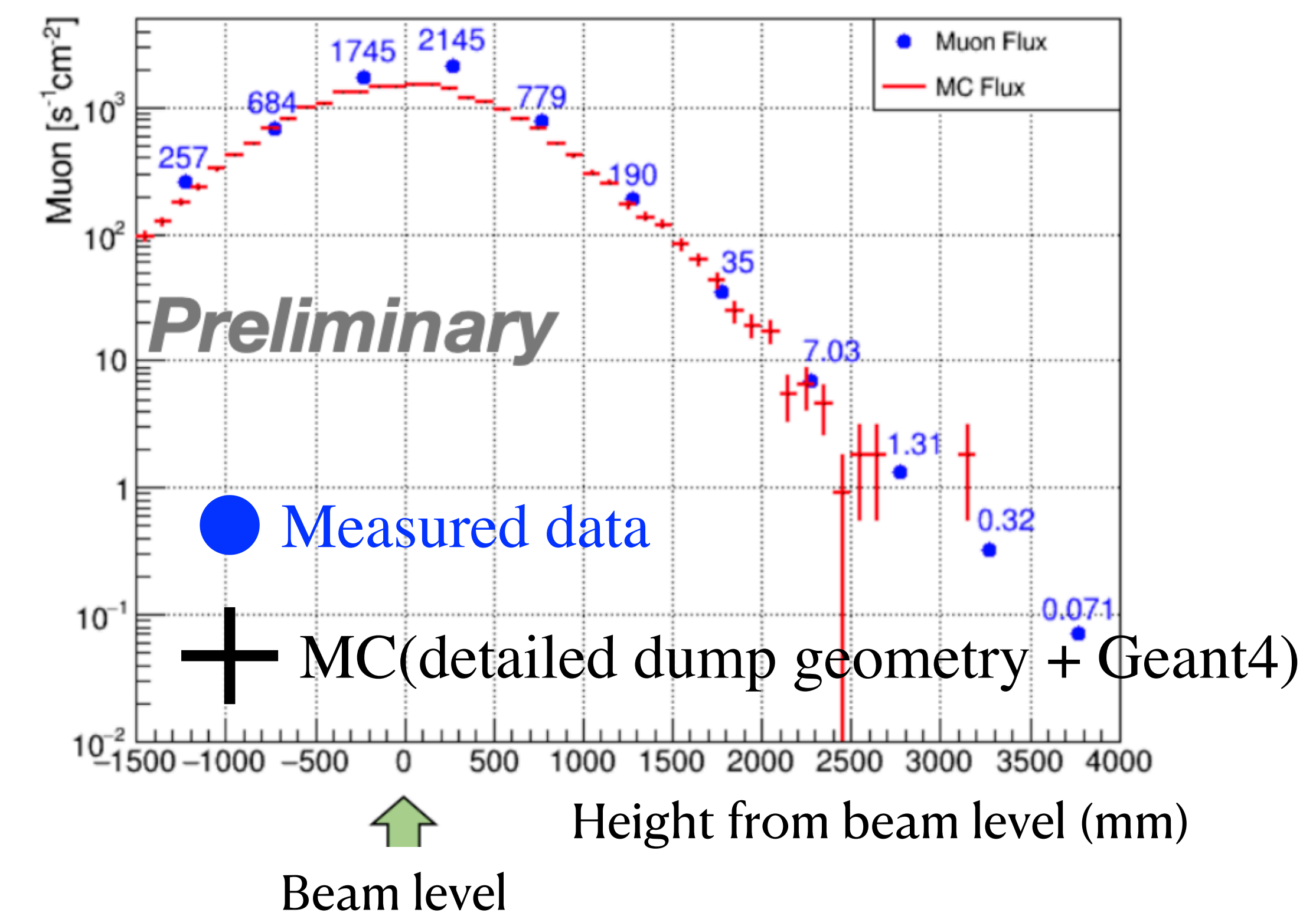
Measurement of muon flux behind the dump

Muon flux measurement behind the beam dump in Run90

Motivation: to confirm the muon flux coming to KOTO II/KL2 area, which will be built behind the beam dump



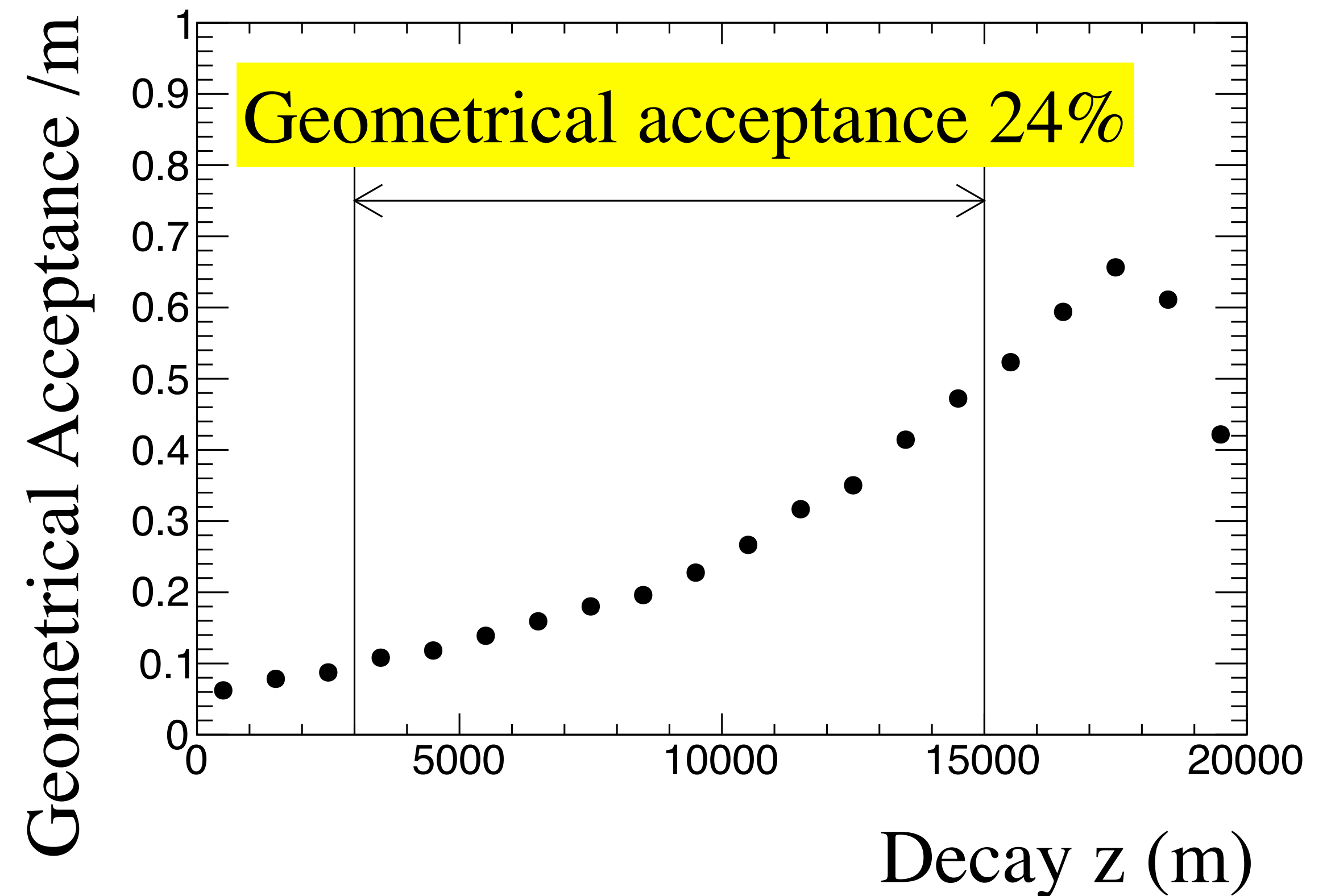
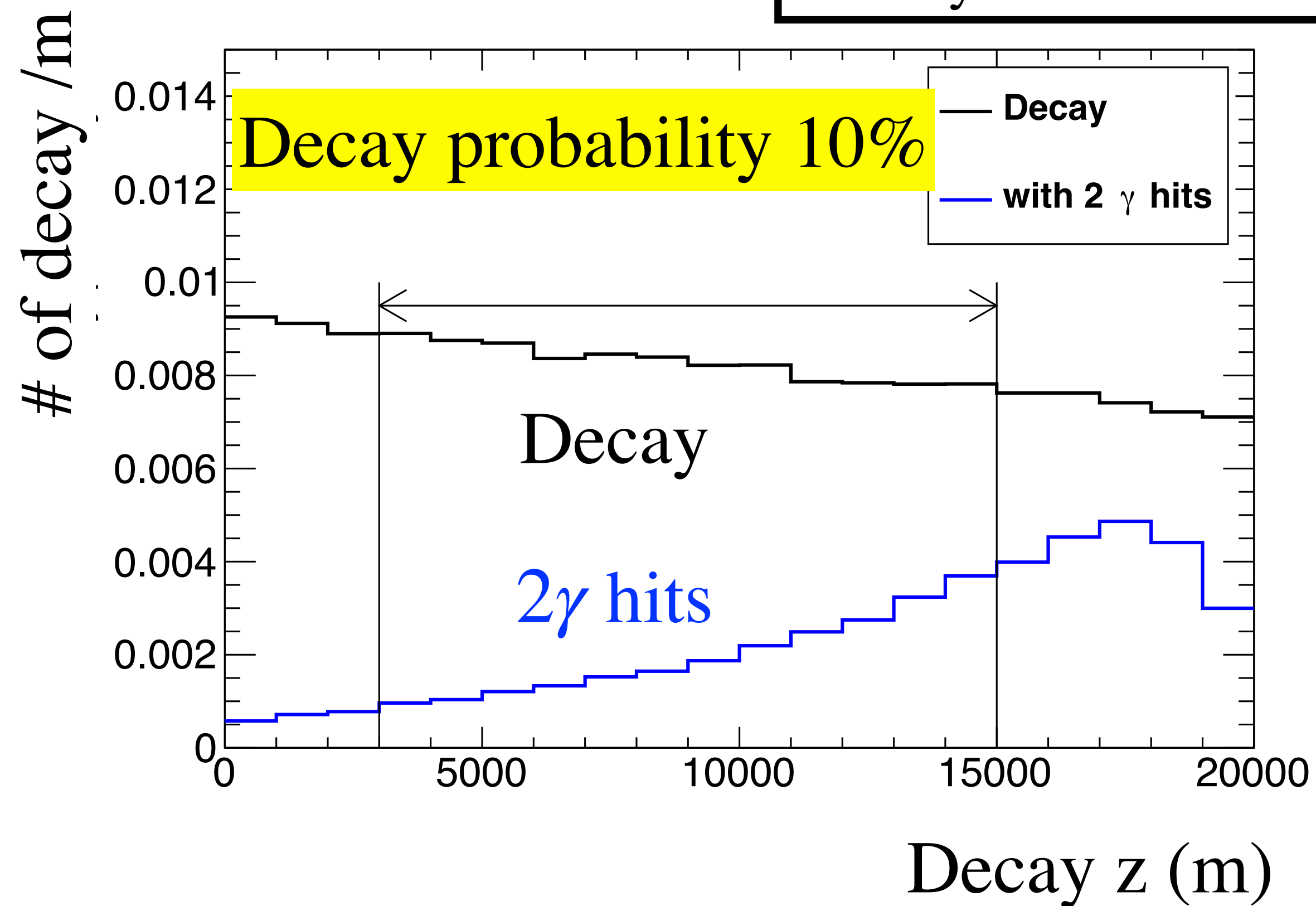
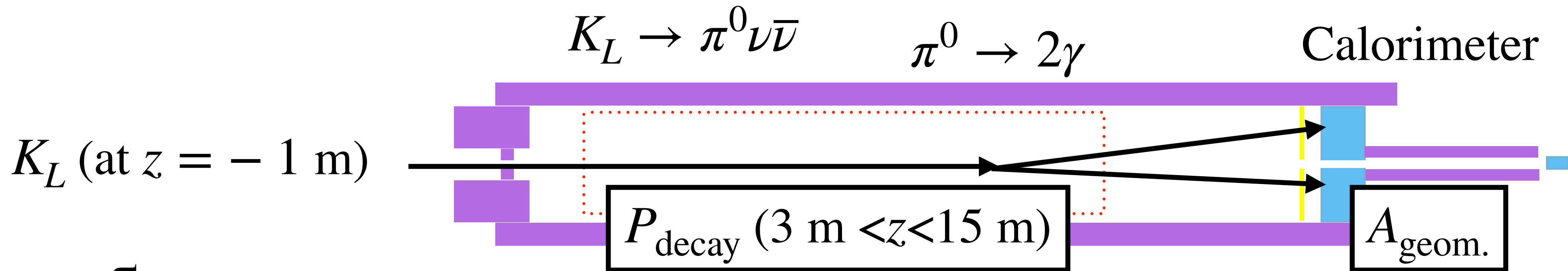
Measurement in June 2023 with beam



Detailed analysis in progress

Measurements are consistent to MC (detailed dump geometry + Geant4).
This MC gives 2.1 MHz for KOTO II detector rate without additional steel
→ 0.1 MHz with additional steel → contribution to accidental loss : 0.4%

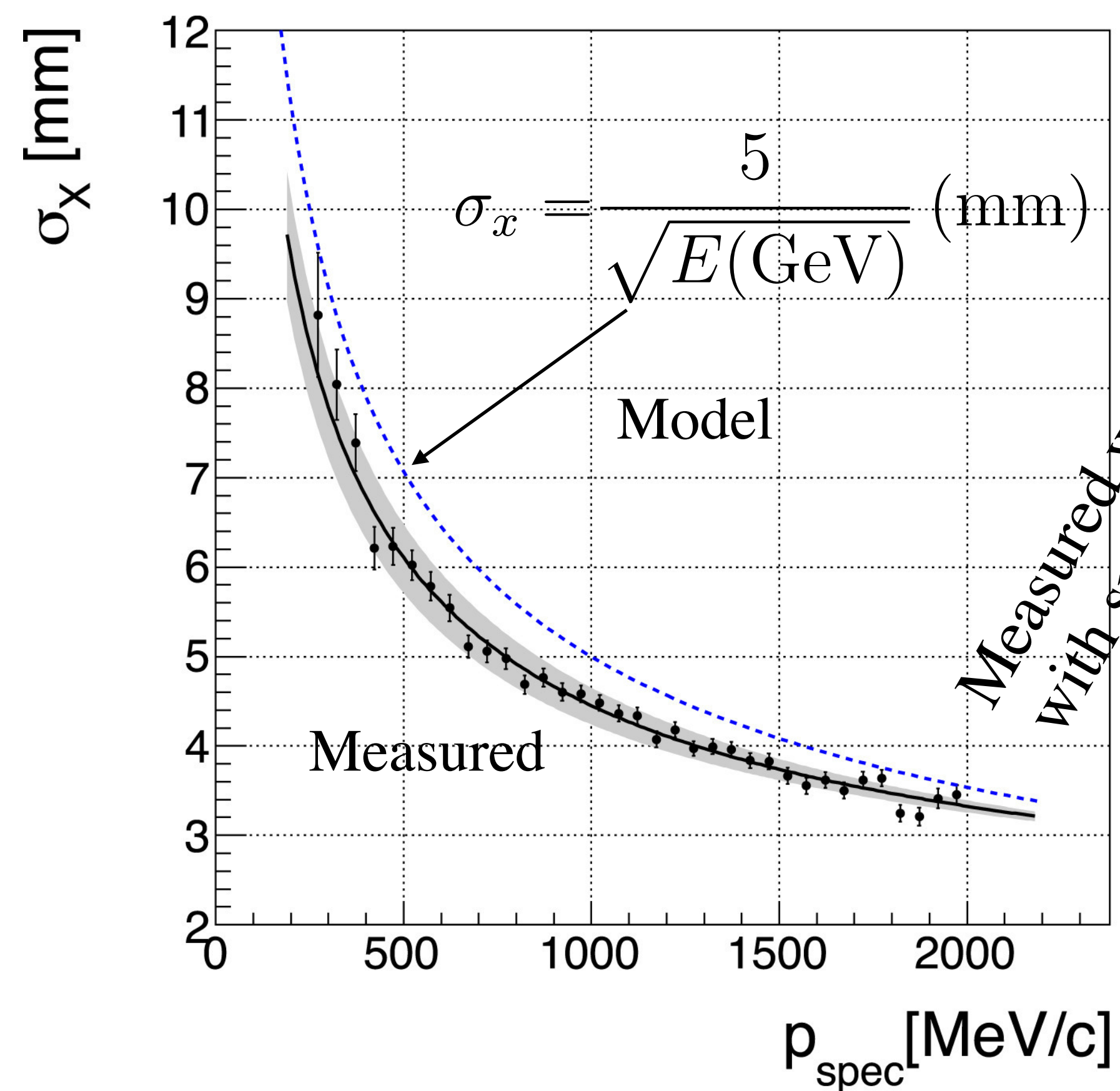
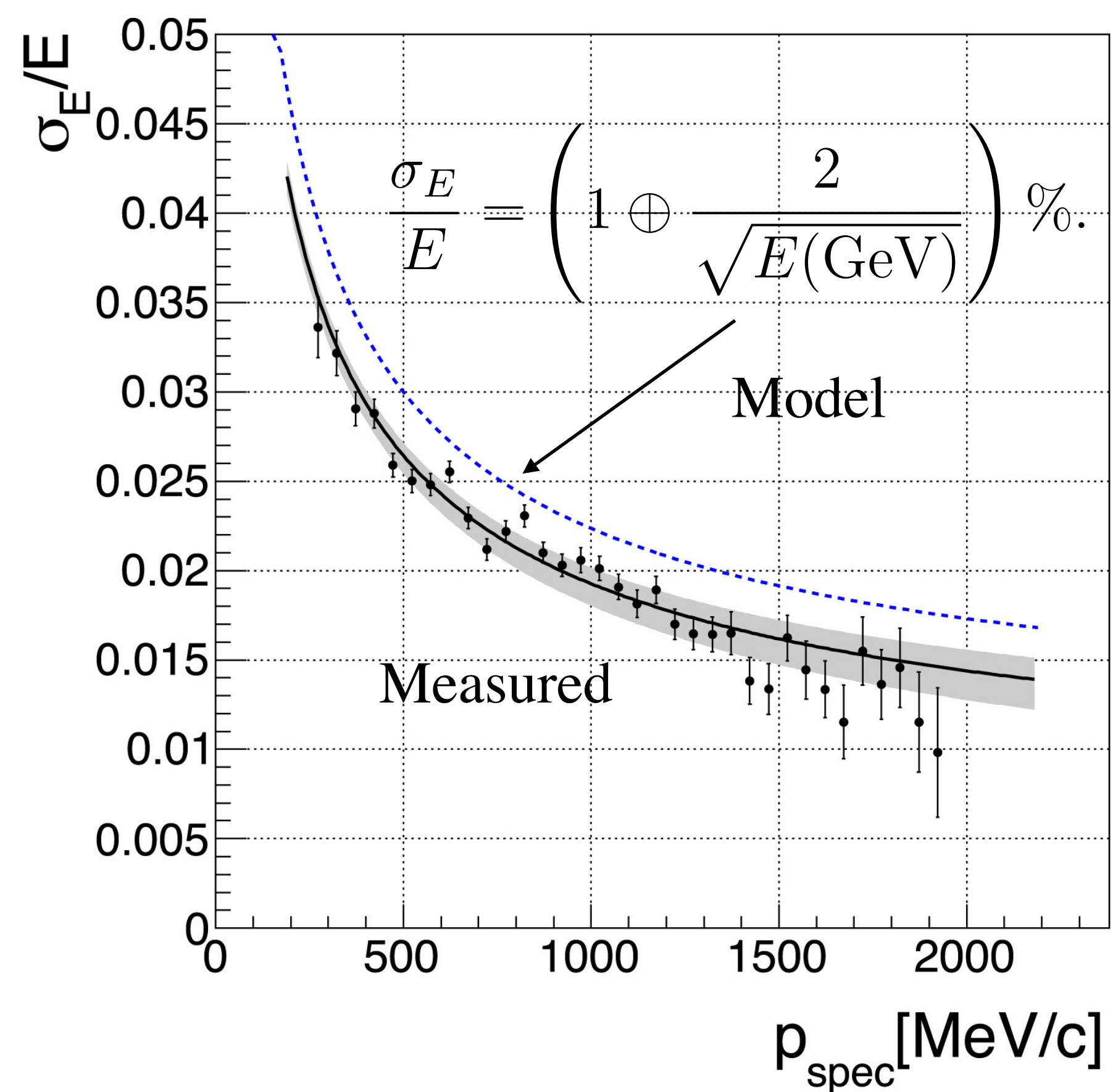
Signal— 2γ in calorimeter —



Signal— modeling of calorimeter —

Smearing energy and position

Model based on the performance of the current CsI calorimeter



*Measured with e^\pm in engineering run in 2012
with spectrometer in front of the calorimeter*

Signal — event selections —

$$E_0 + E_1 > 500 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\sqrt{x_i^2 + y_i^2} < 1350 \text{ mm}$$

$$\max(|x_i|, |y_i|) > 175 \text{ mm}$$

$$E_i > 100 \text{ MeV}$$

$$|\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_0| > 300 \text{ mm}$$

$$\theta_{\text{proj}} < 150^\circ$$

$$130 \text{ MeV}/c < p_T < 250 \text{ MeV}/c$$

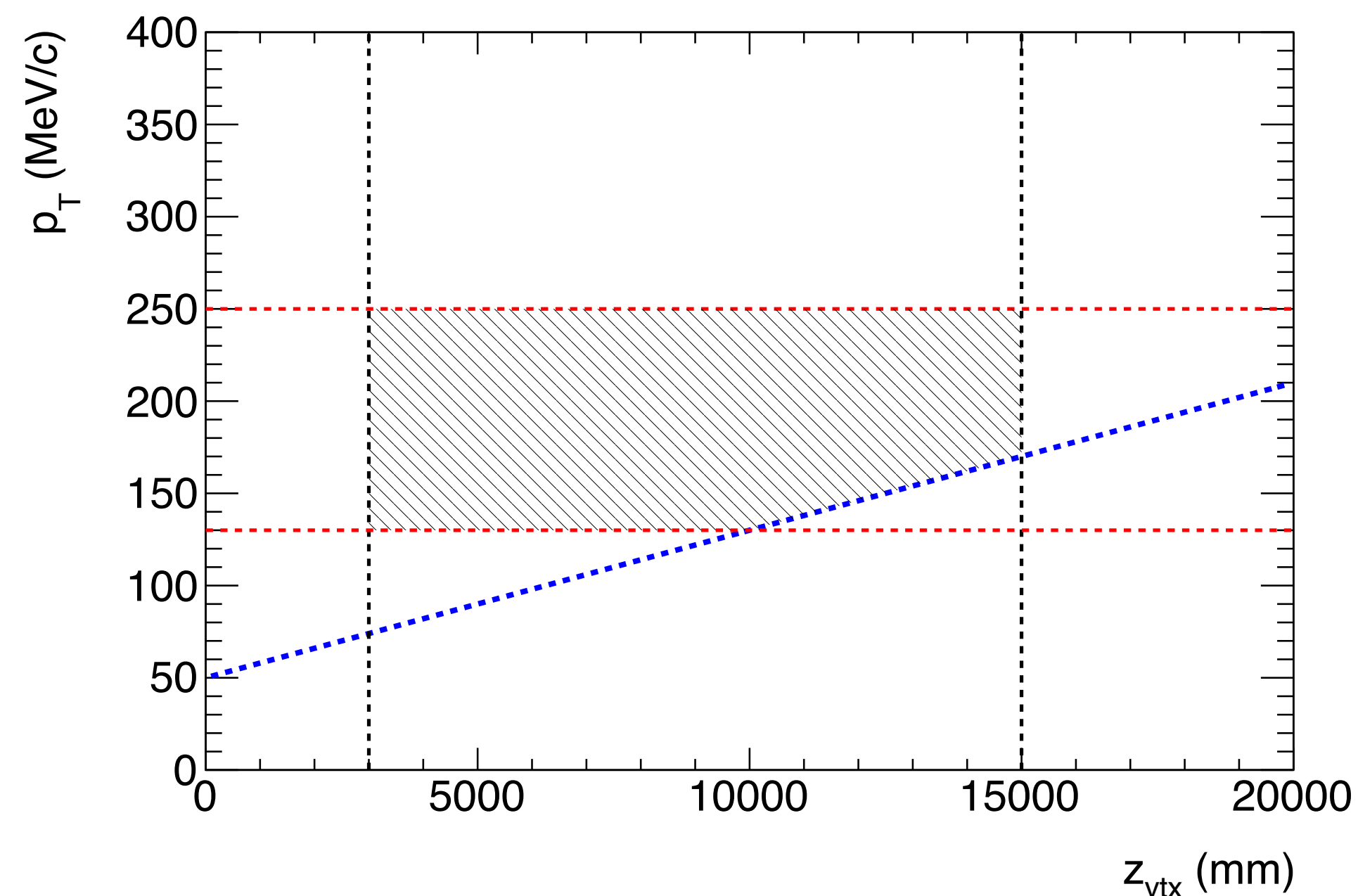
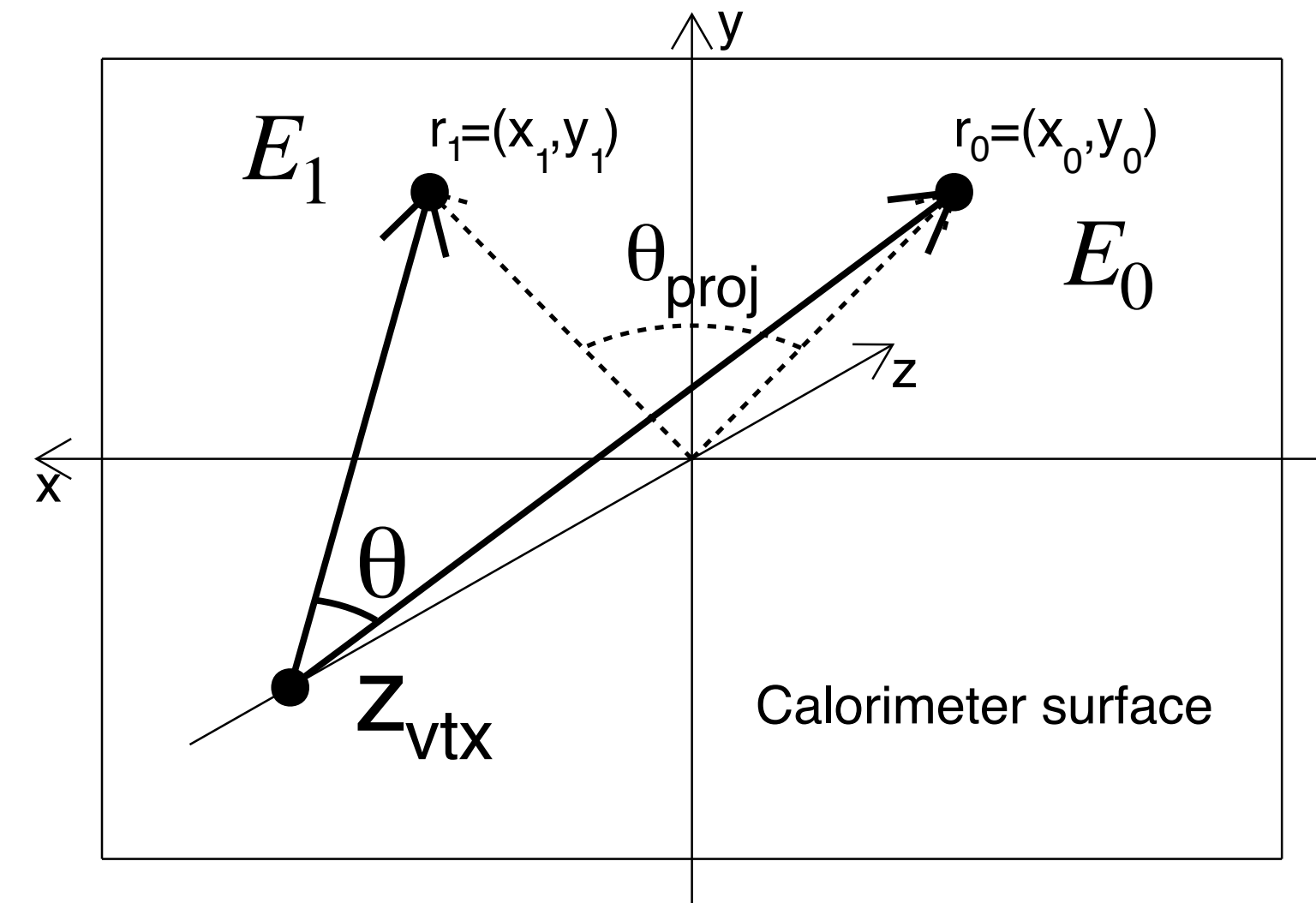
Tight p_T at downstream

High p_T signal characteristics

Region with worse p_T resolution

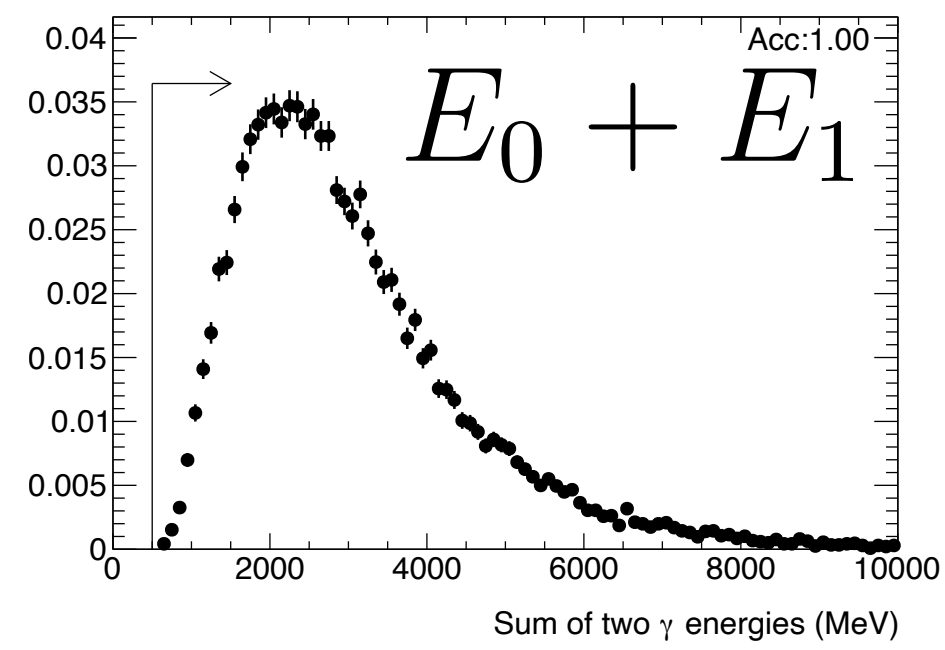
Quality cuts

$K_L \rightarrow 2\gamma$

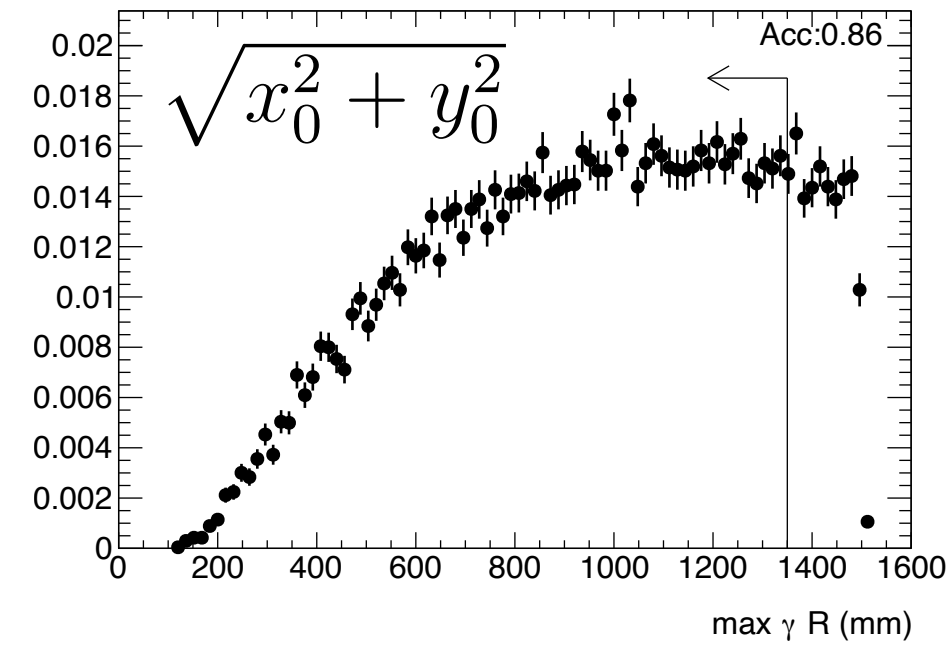


selection with cluster shape and waveform
 Discrimination of photon/neutron clusters
 Discrimination of true/fake incident angle

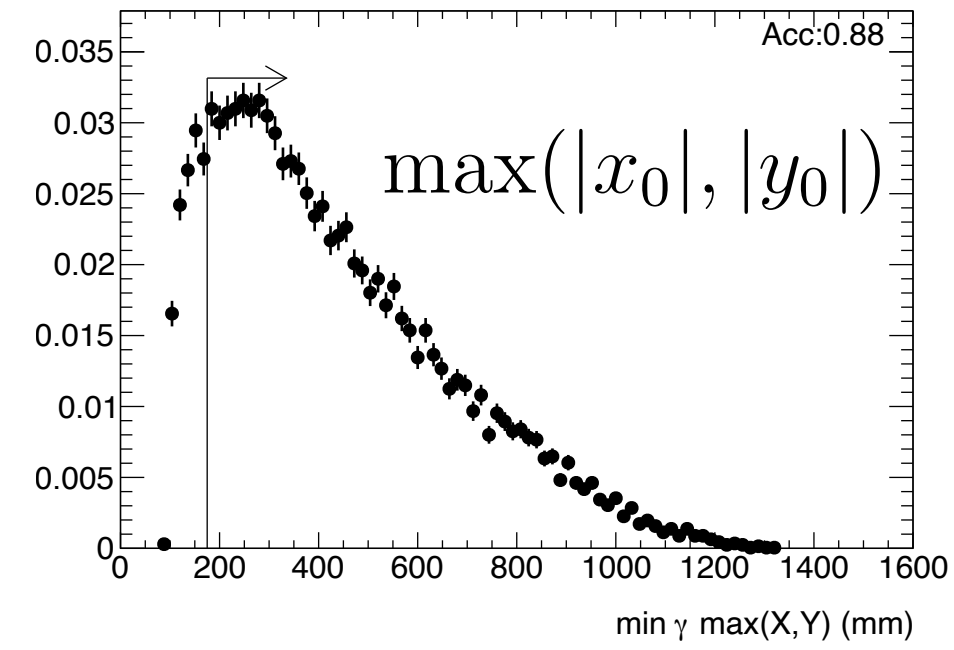
Signal — distributions —



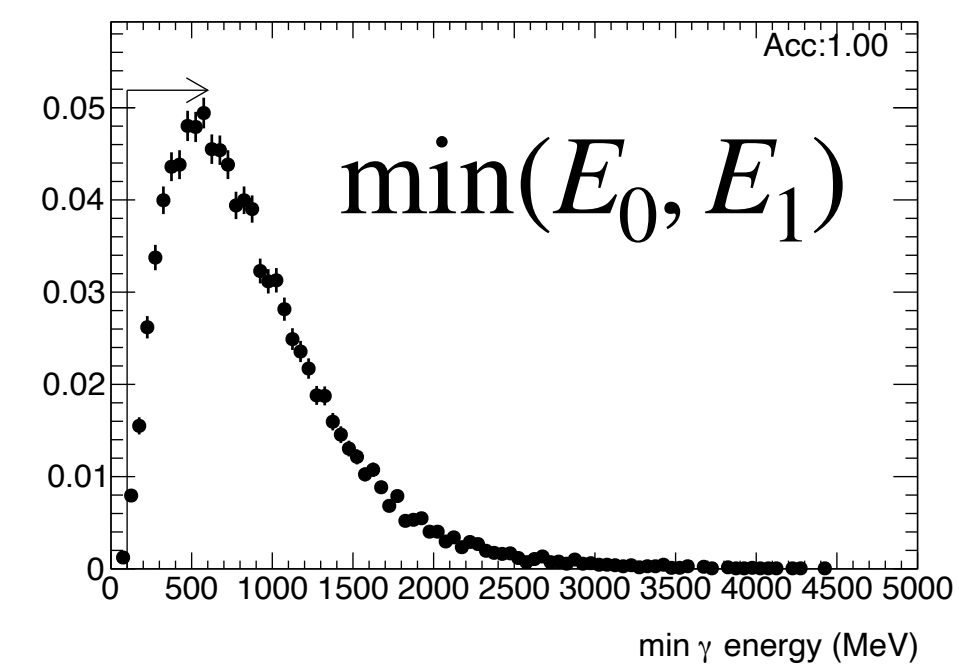
(a)



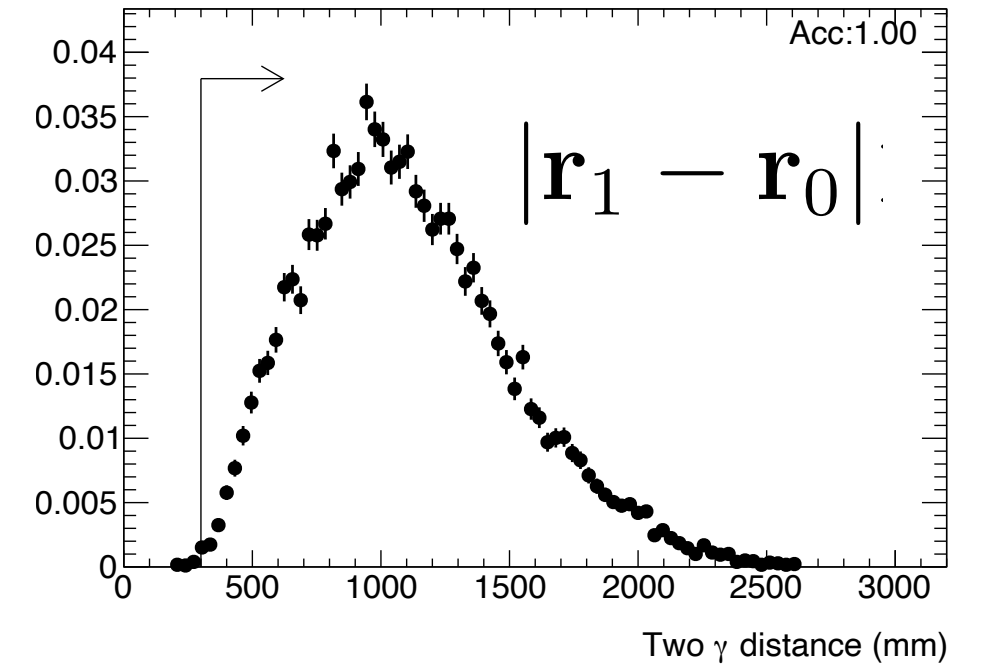
(b)



(c)



(d)

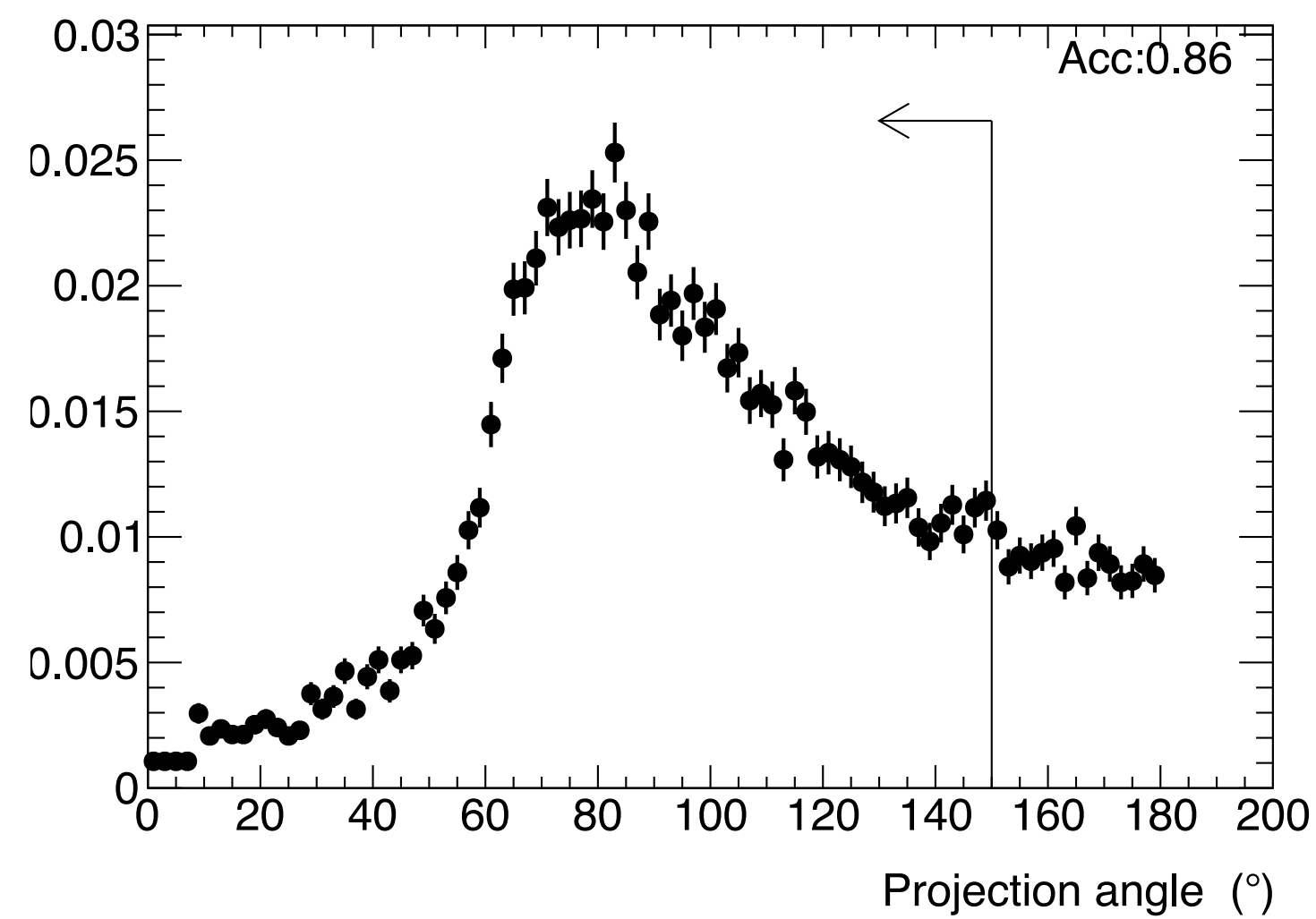


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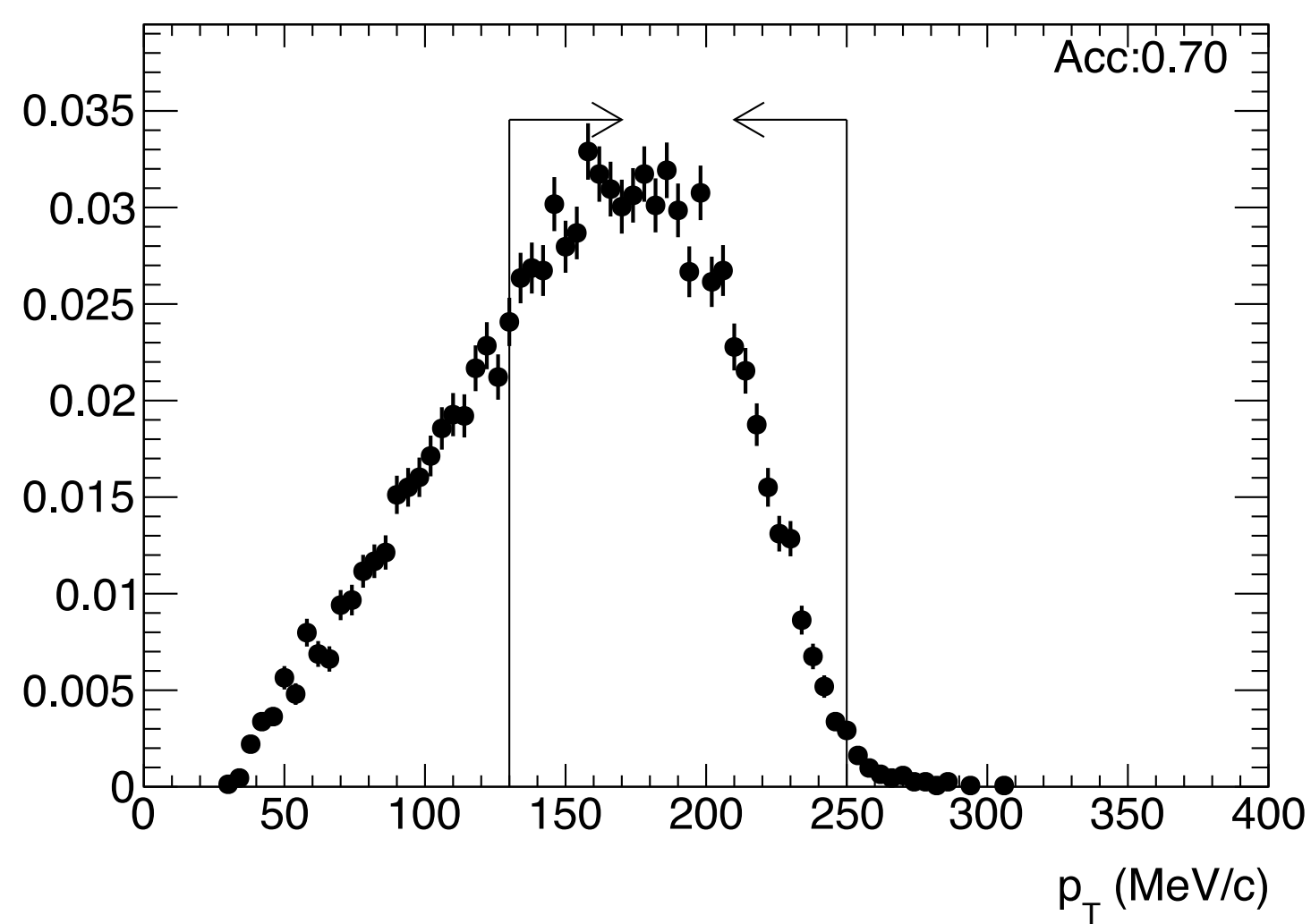
$$\theta_{\text{proj}} \equiv \text{acos} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_0 \cdot \mathbf{r}_1}{|\mathbf{r}_0| |\mathbf{r}_1|} \right)$$

$$p_T$$

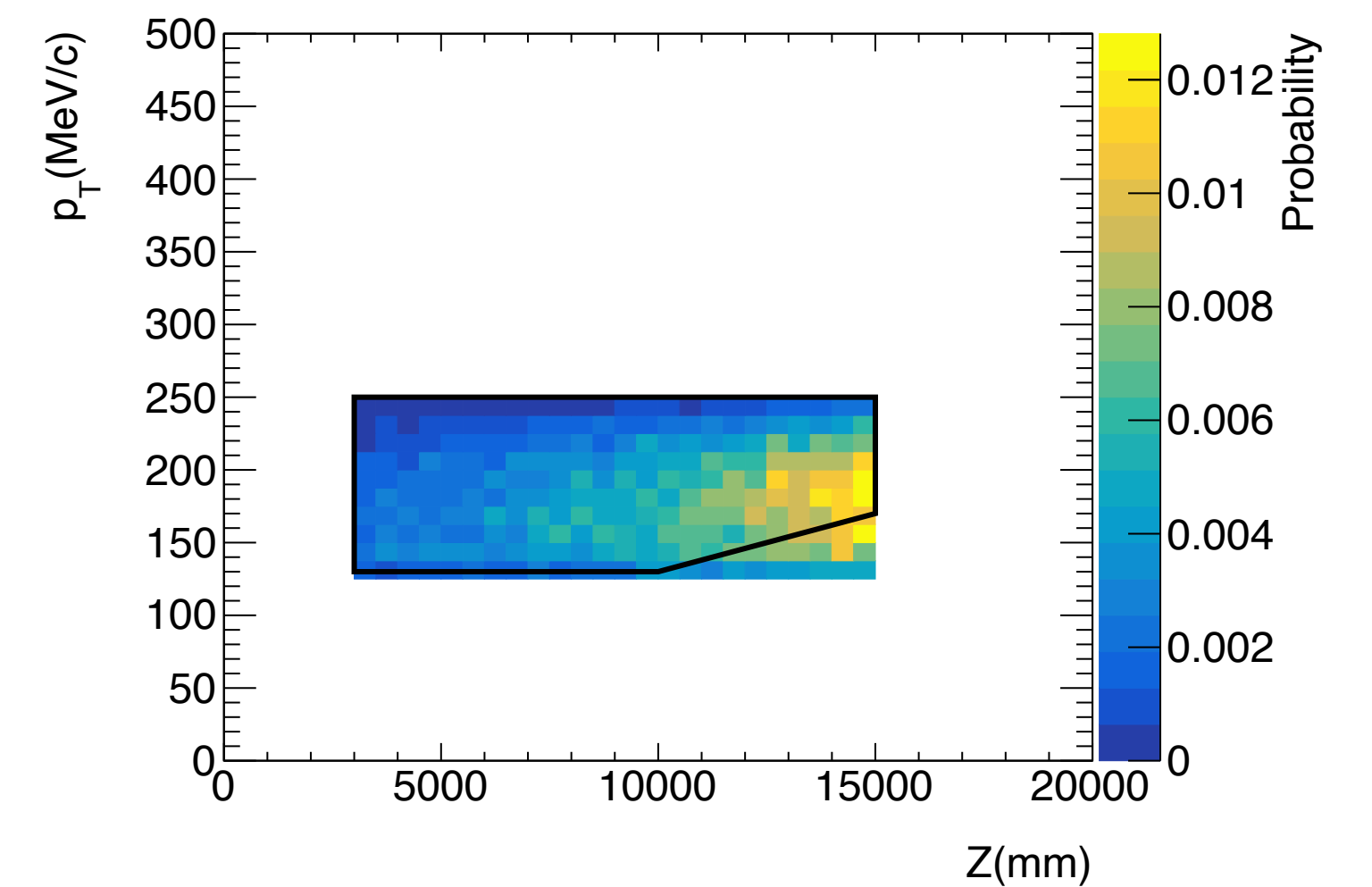
$$\frac{p_T}{(\text{MeV}/c)} > \frac{z_{\text{vtx}}}{(\text{mm})} \times 0.008 + 50$$



(f)

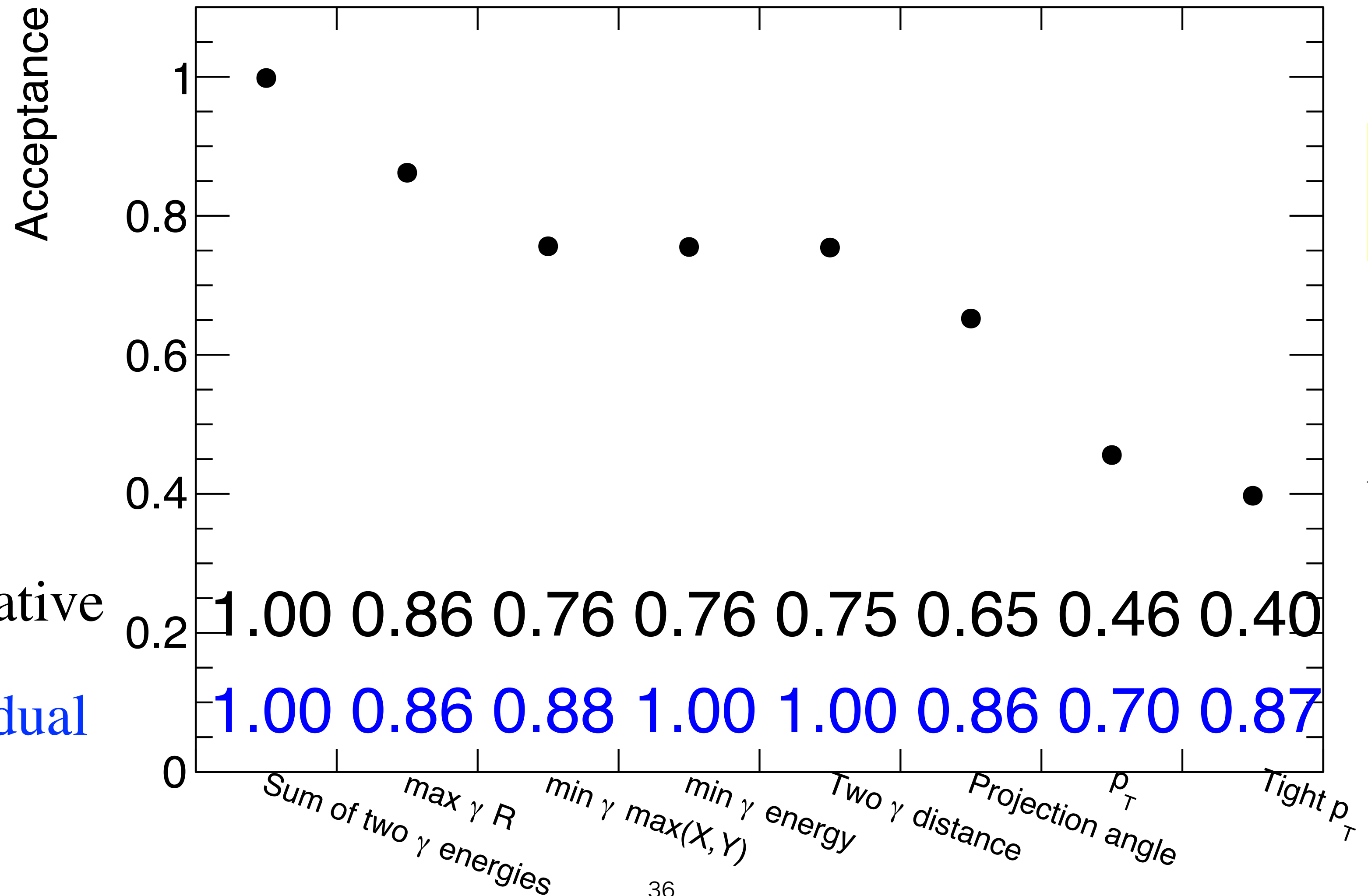


(g)



(h)

Signal — cut acceptance —



Signal acceptance :
 $0.4 \times (0.9)^4 = 0.26$ in total

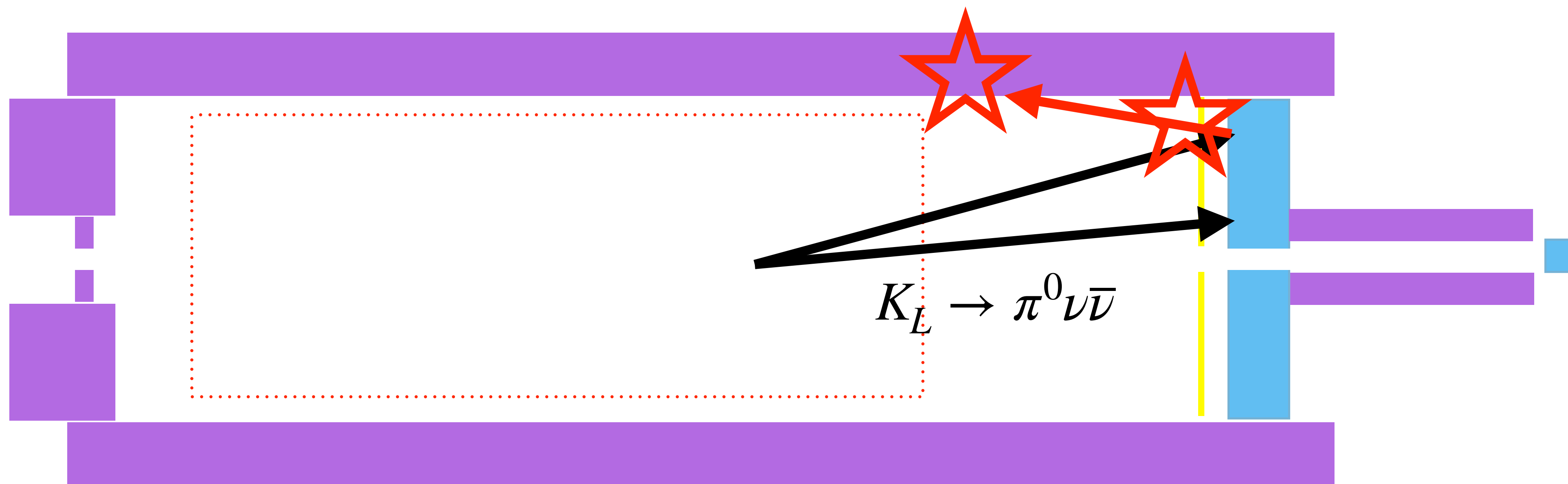
- Assumed signal efficiency
- n/ γ discrimination (3 cuts) : 0.9^3
 - Consistency between the reconstructed γ angle and the shower shape: 0.9

Signal loss

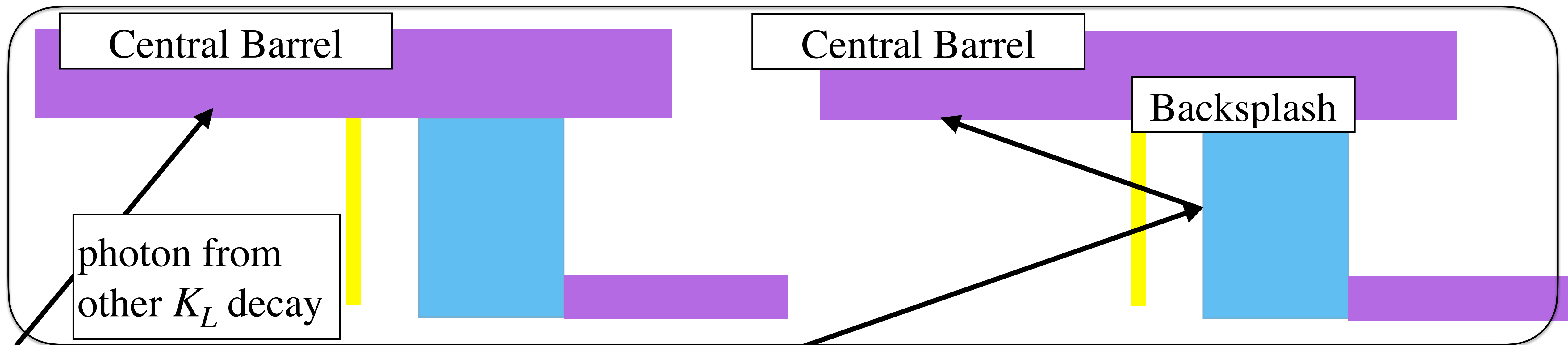
- Accidental loss : evaluated to be 39%
- Shower leakage loss

Single loss — shower leakage loss—

Gammas from π^0 decay in $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$ sometimes cause shower-leakage to veto counters
→ Signal happens to be vetoed.



Single loss — shower leakage to Central Barrel : backplash—



Background : Should veto

Signal : Should not veto

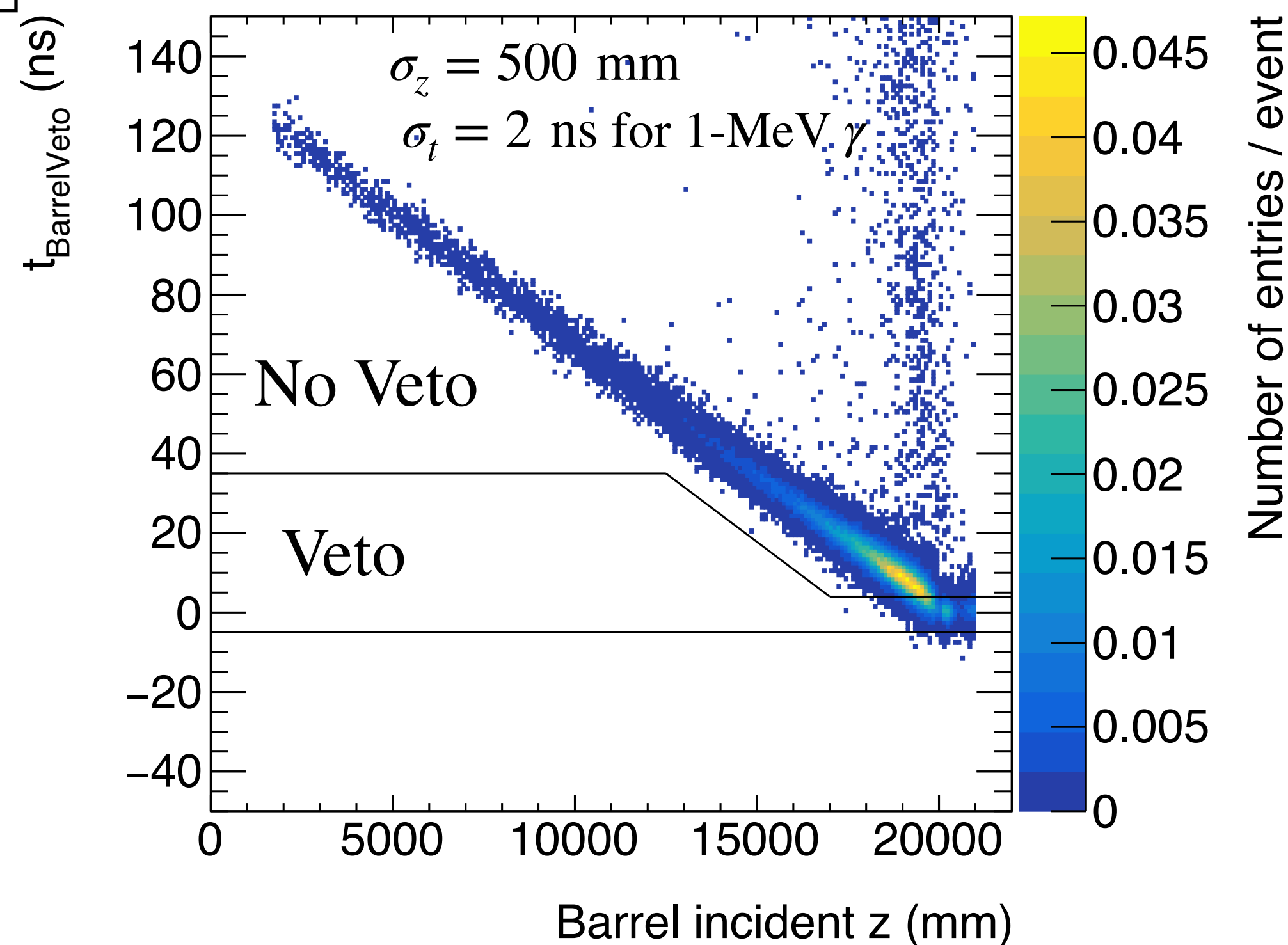
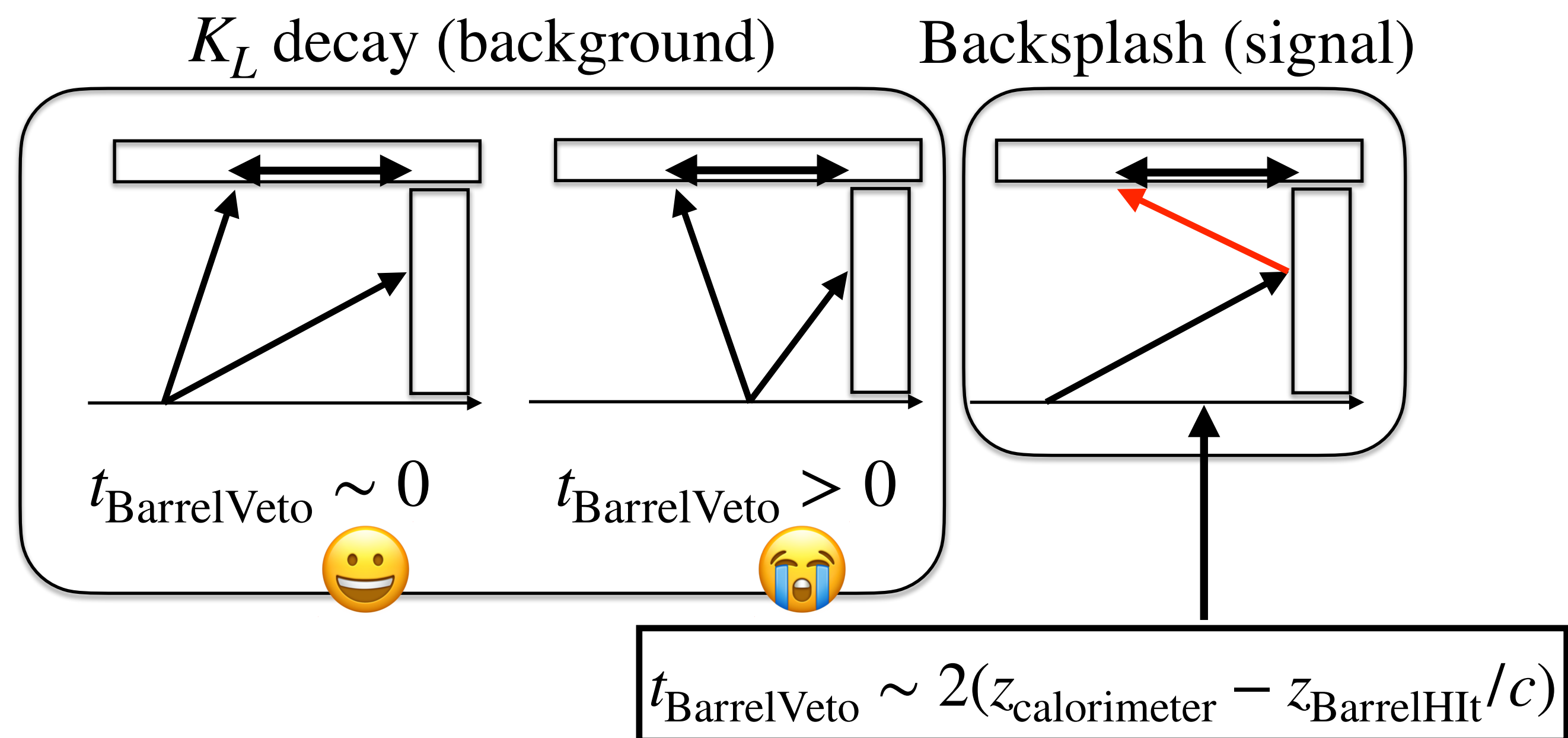
How to discriminate ?

Signal loss — suppress backslash loss—

$$t_{\text{BarrelVeto}} = \left[t_{\text{BarrelHit}} - t_{\text{CalorimeterHit}} \right] + (z_{\text{Calorimeter}} - z_{\text{BarrelHit}})/c$$

$$= - \left[t_{\text{CalorimeterHit}} - t_{\text{BarrelHit}} \right] + (z_{\text{Calorimeter}} - z_{\text{BarrelHit}})/c$$

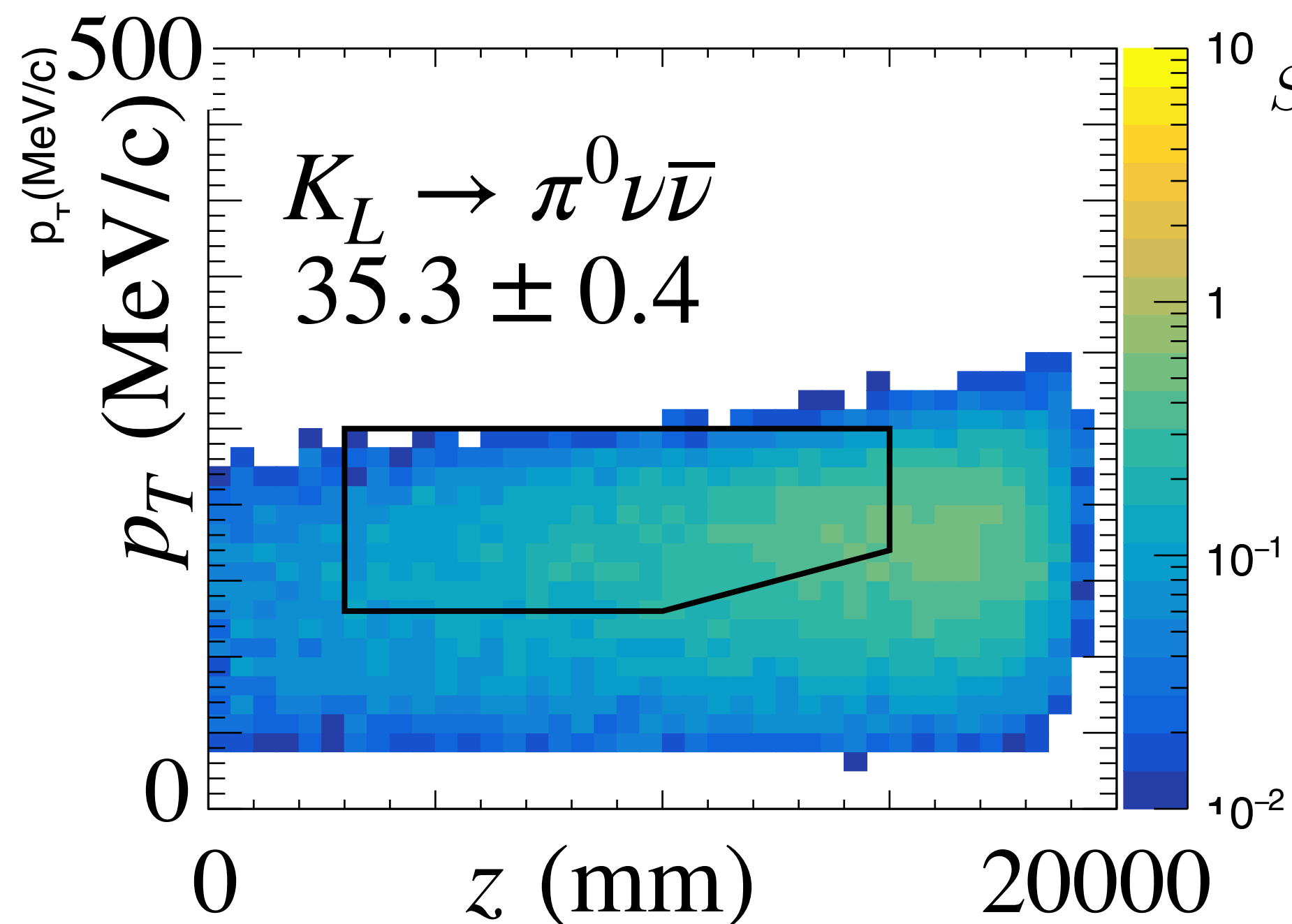
Distribution for $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$
(Shower simulation)



Shower-leakage loss=9%

Signal survival probability=91%

of signal events



$$\begin{aligned}
 S &= \frac{(\text{beam power}) \times (\text{running time})}{(\text{beam energy})} \times (\text{number of } K_L/\text{POT}) \\
 &\times P_{\text{decay}} \times A_{\text{geom}} \times A_{\text{cut}} \times (1 - \text{accidental loss}) \times (1 - \text{backsplash loss}) \times \mathcal{B}_{K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}} \\
 &= \frac{(100 \text{ kW}) \times (3 \times 10^7 \text{ s})}{(30 \text{ GeV})} \times \frac{(1.1 \times 10^7 K_L)}{(2 \times 10^{13} \text{ POT})} \\
 &\times 9.9\% \times 24\% \times 26\% \times (1 - 39\%) \times 91\% \times (3 \times 10^{-11}) \\
 &= 35.
 \end{aligned}$$

Beam power : 100 kW at T2 target
 Data taking : 3×10^7 s
 # of events (SM) : 35 events

| | KL yield | Decay Probability | Geometrical Acceptance | Cut efficiency | 1- Accidental loss | 1-Backsplash loss |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| KOTO | | 3.3% | 26% | 3% | 36% | 50% |
| KOTO II | $\times 2.6$ | 10% | 24% | 26% | 61% | 91% |
| Improvement factor | 2.6 | 3 | 0.9 | 8.7 | 1.7 | 1.8 |

Improvement factor
 $\times 190$ in total

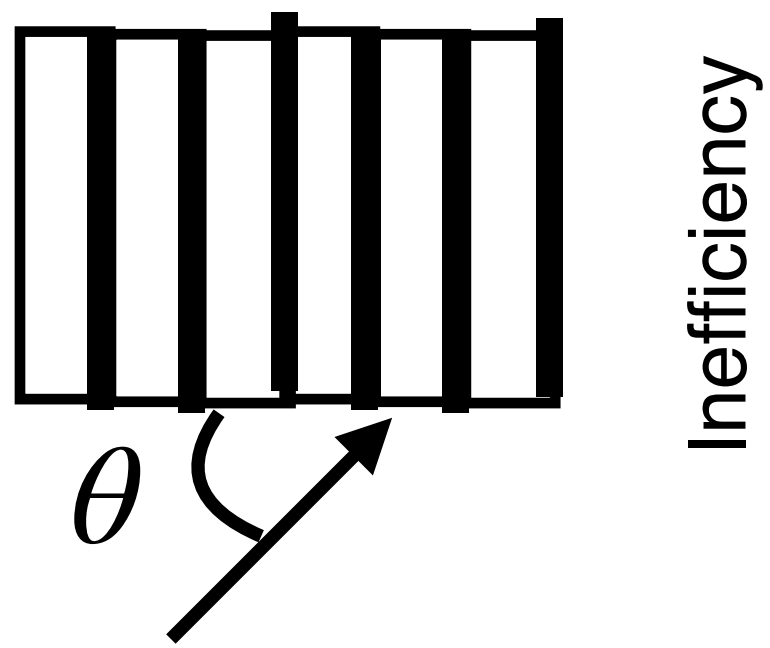
Background evaluation

Beam power : 100 kW at T2 target
Data taking : 3×10^7 s

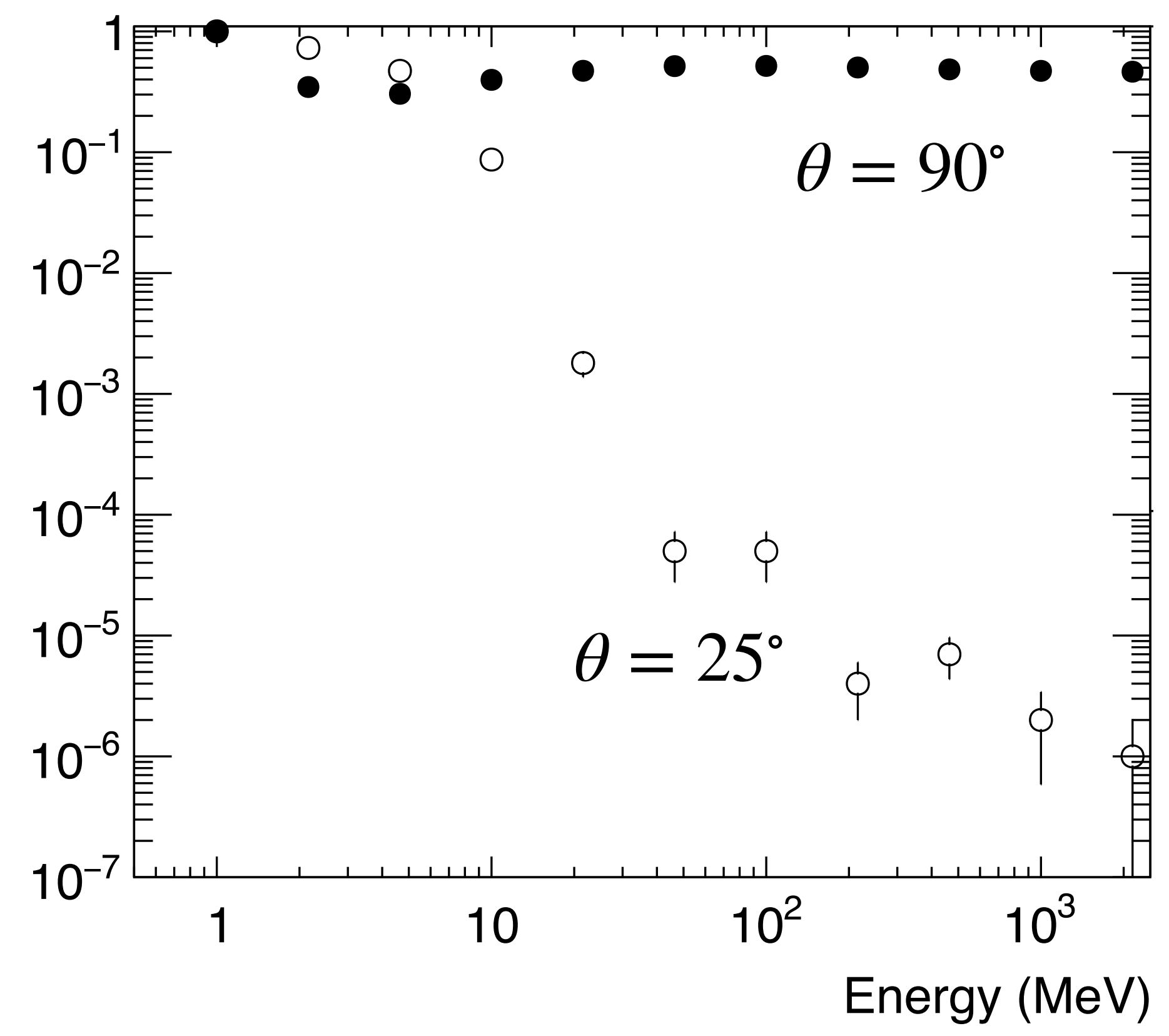
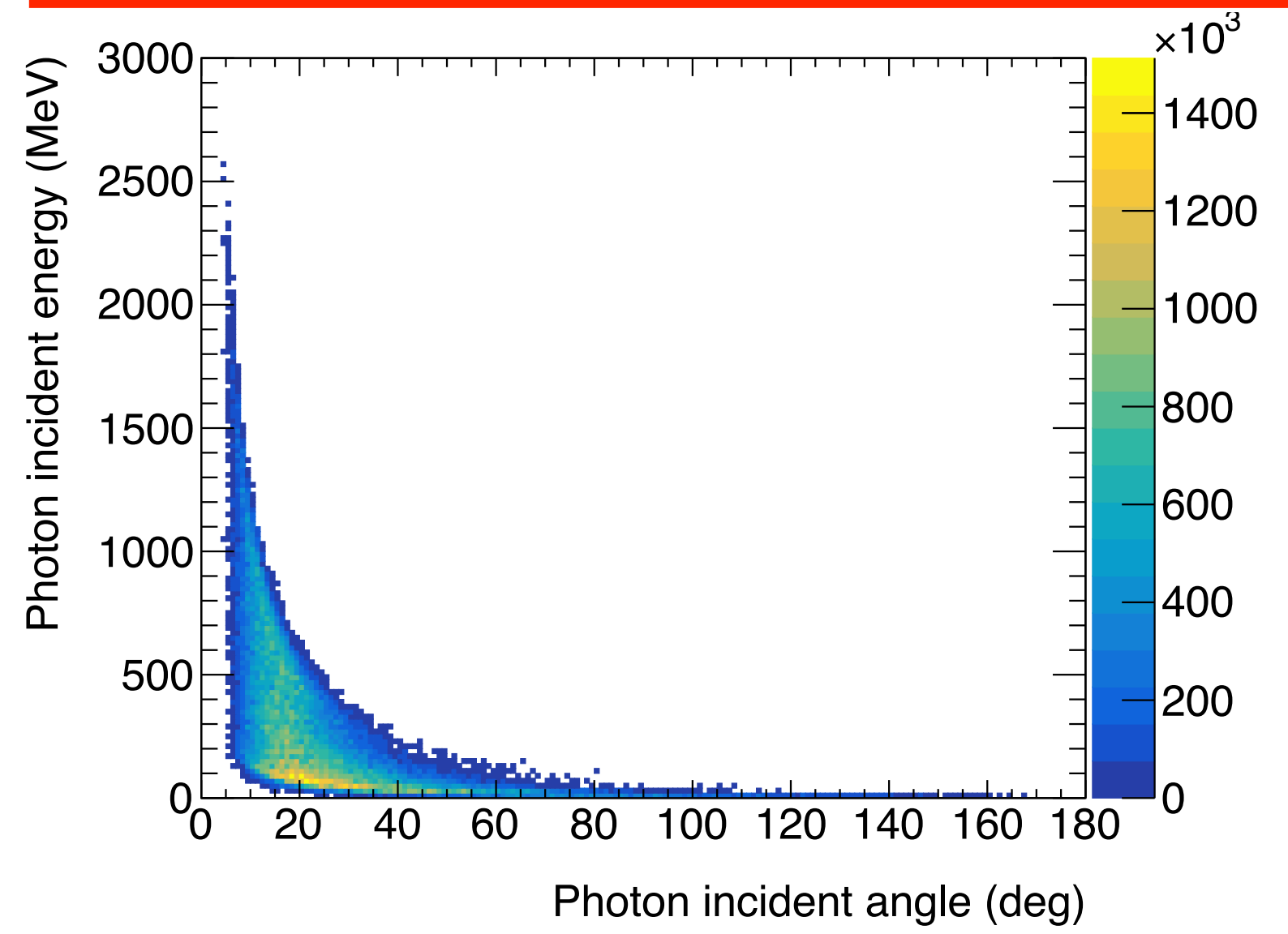
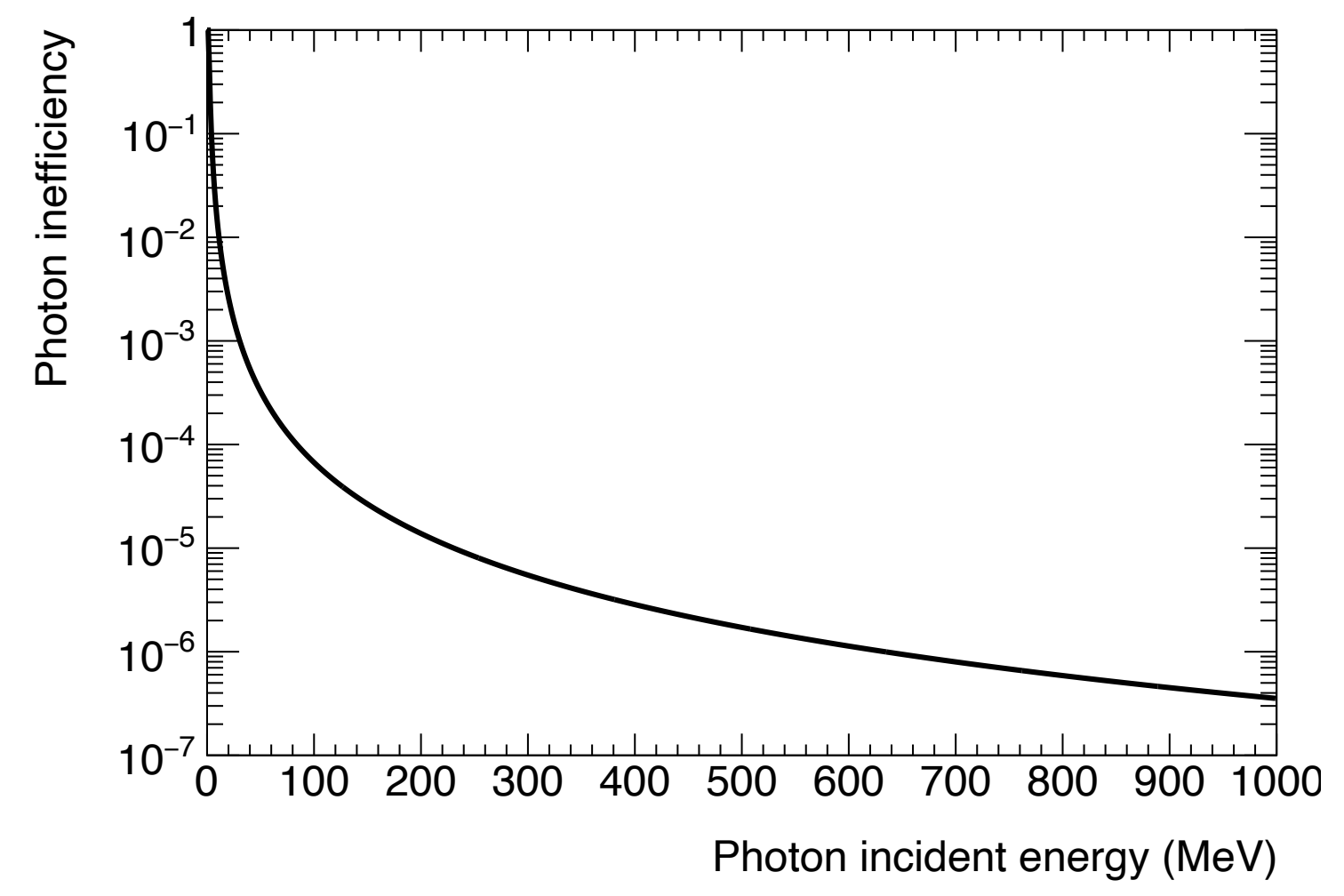
Background — Inefficiency modeling —

Calorimeter
50-cm long CsI

New Barrel
Lead (1 mm)
Scintillator(5 mm)
1-MeV threshold



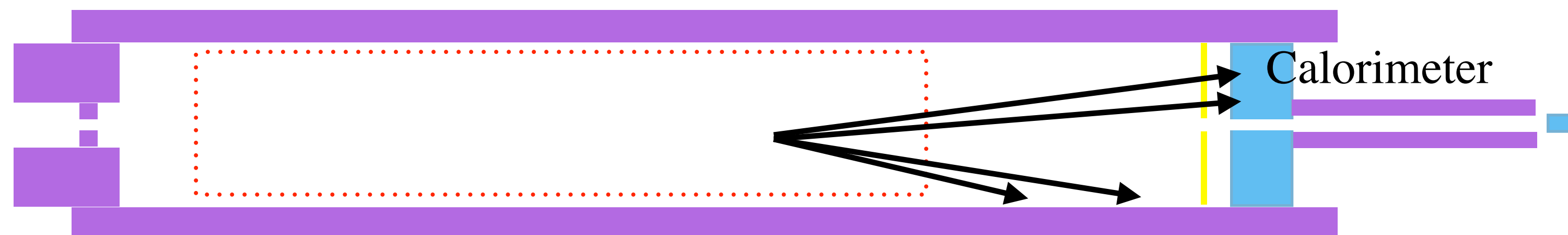
Layers stacked in z direction



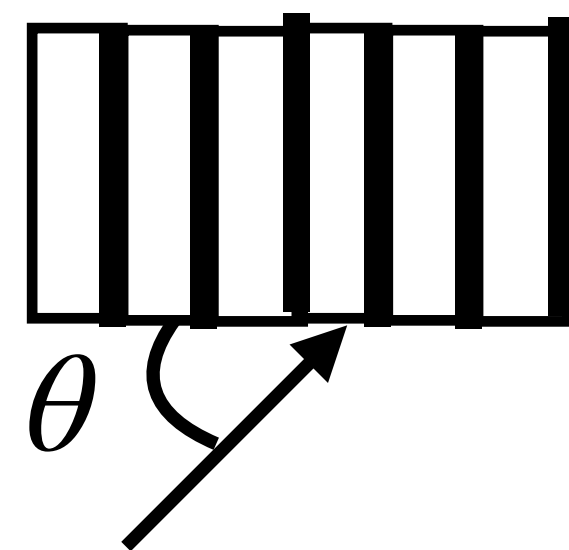
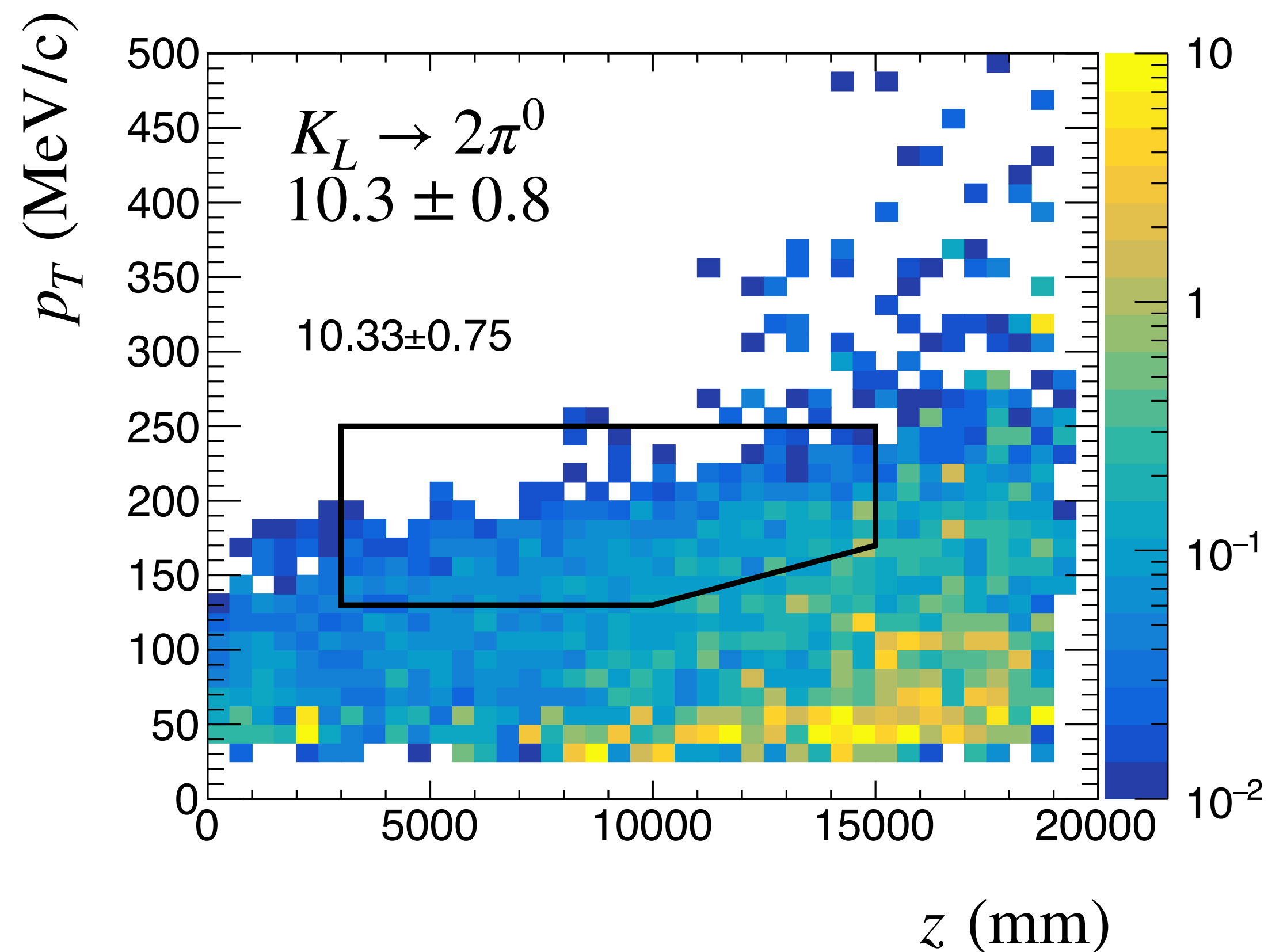
90 deg : inefficient
⇔ Less photons, low energy

$\sigma_z = 500$ mm
 $\sigma_t = 2$ ns for 1-MeV γ

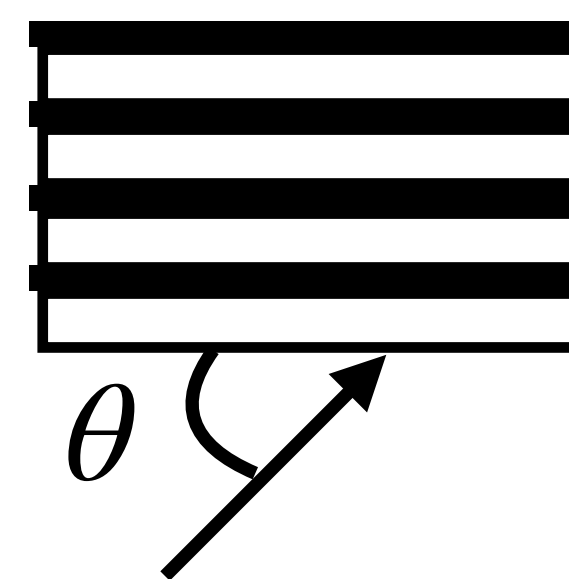
Background — $K_L \rightarrow 2\pi^0$ —



Update from KAON2022



10.3 events are expected.
 layer in radial direction is better



33.2 events are expected.
 (KAON2022)

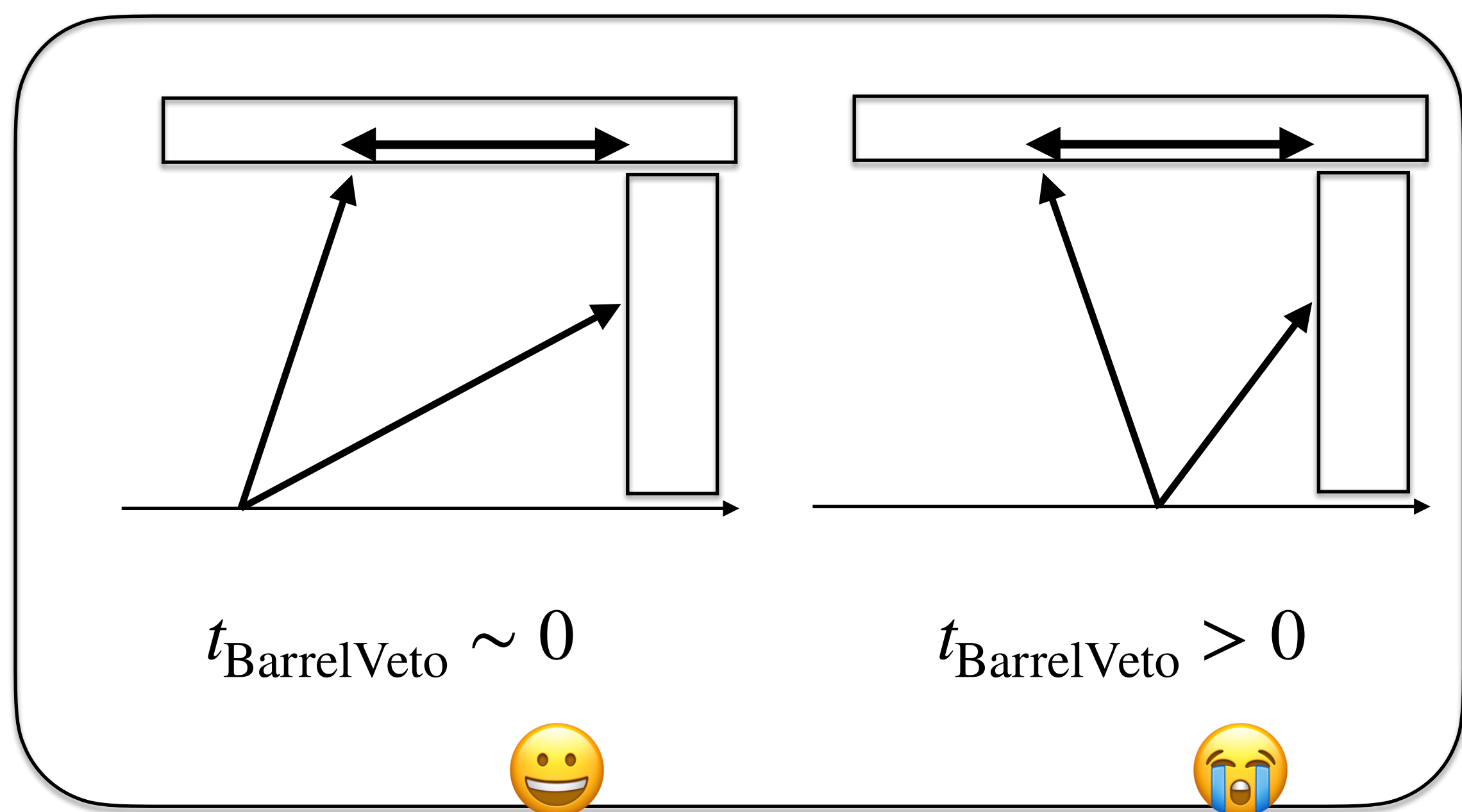
Background — $K_L \rightarrow 2\pi^0$ —

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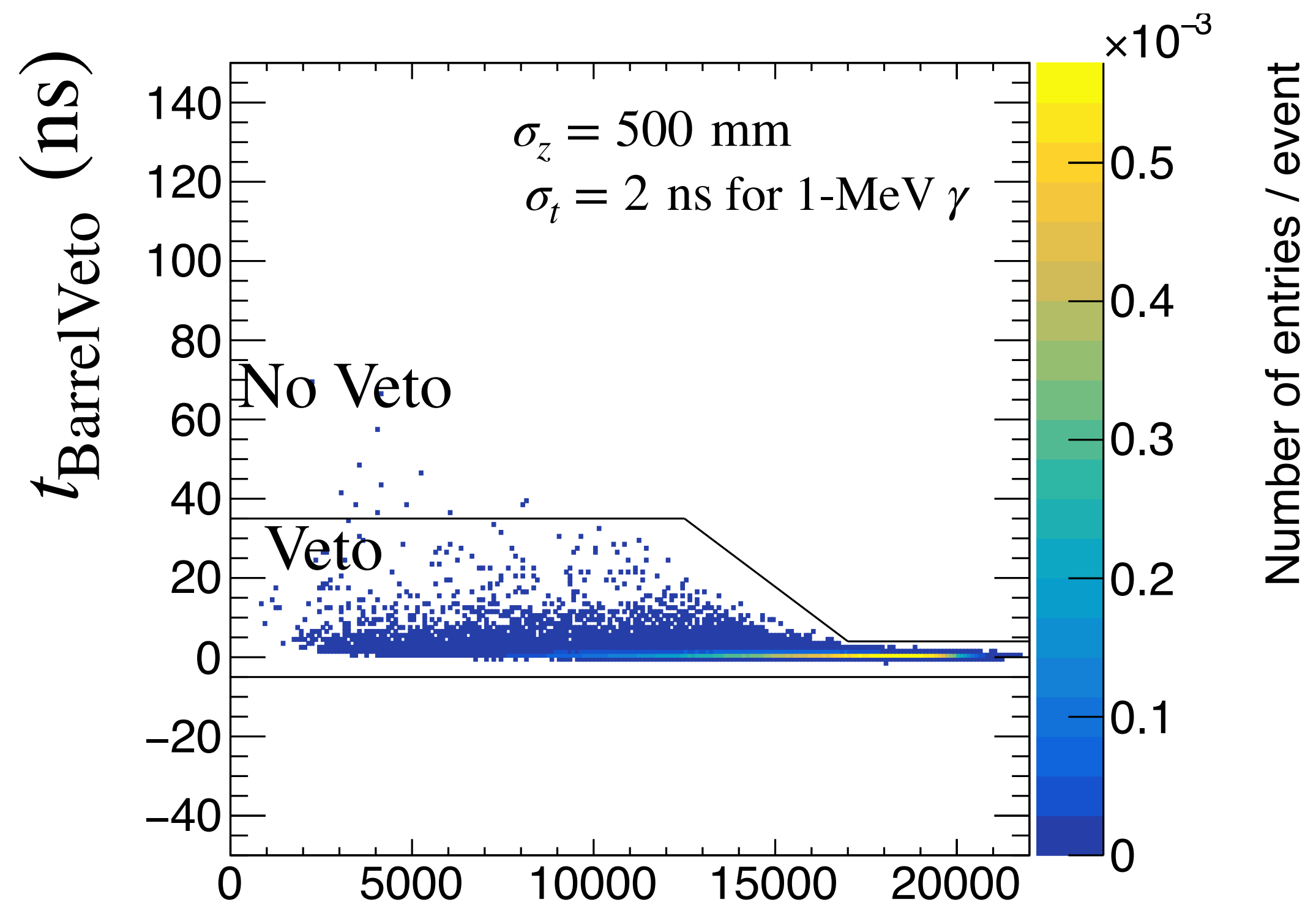
Distribution for $K_L \rightarrow 2\pi^0$
(Shower simulation)

K_L decay (background)



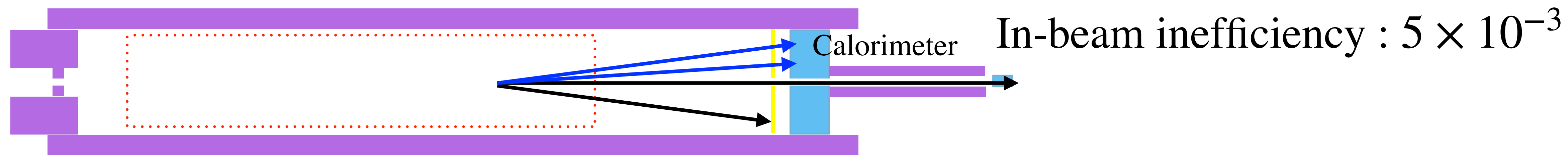
High momentum K_L
→ boost

Backward γ tends to be low energy
→ negligible impacts (originally inefficient)



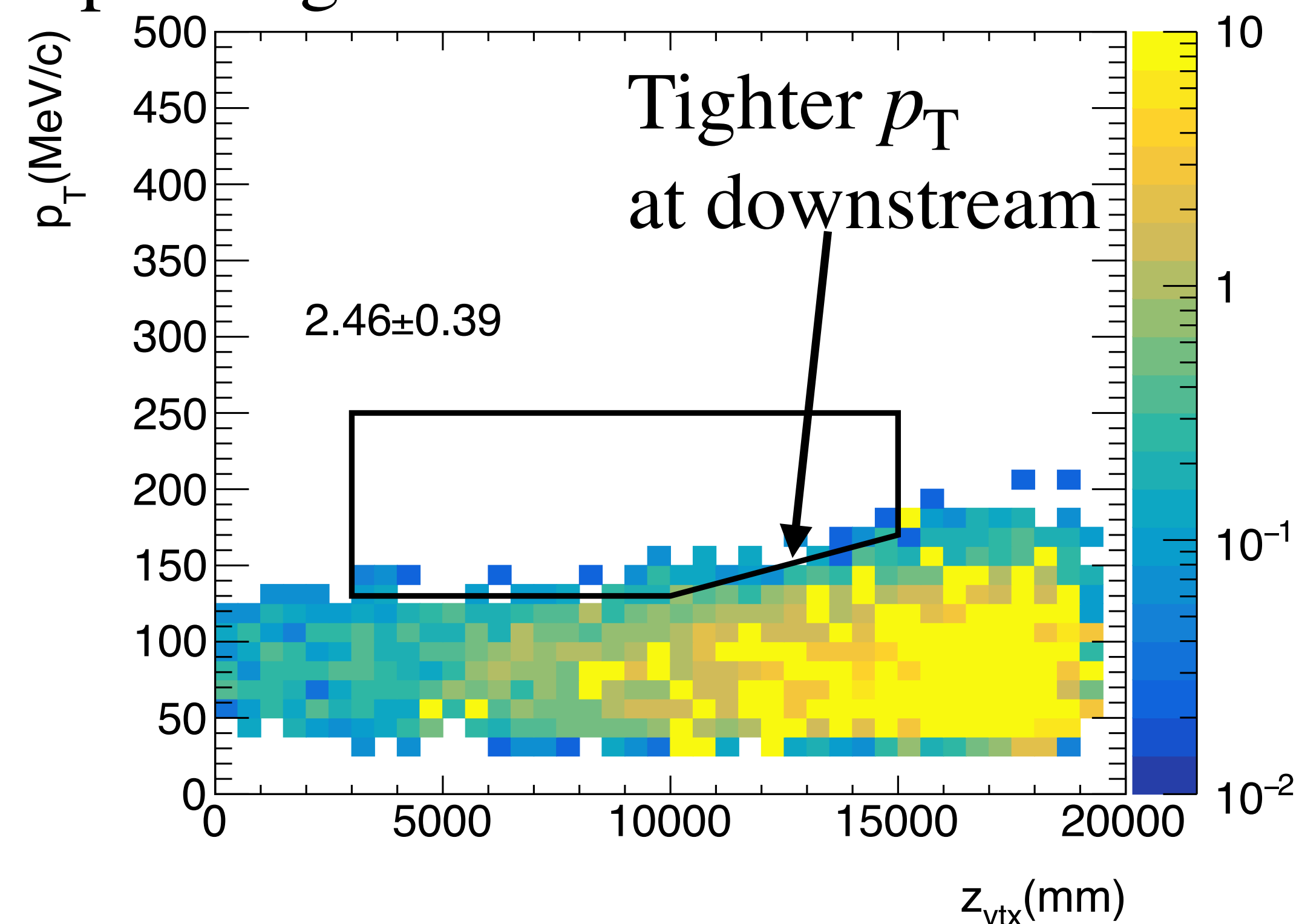
Barrel Incident z (mm)

Background — $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ —

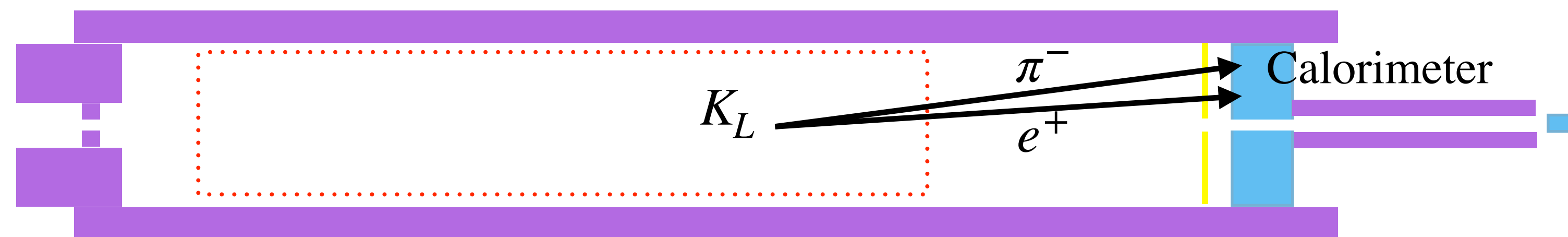


π^- Inefficiency: $4 \times 10^{-4} - 10^{-5}$ depending on momentum

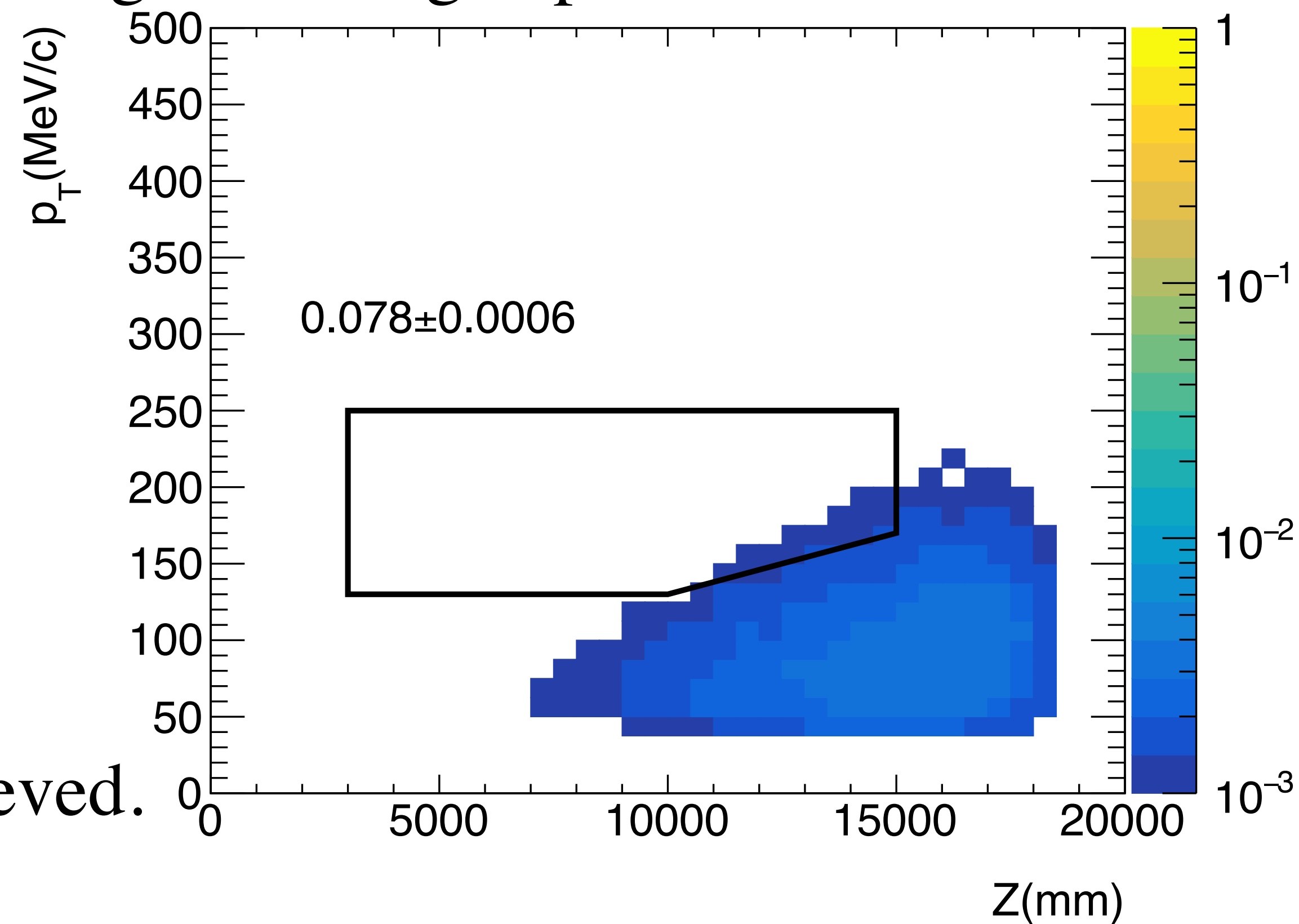
- 2.5 events are expected
- $\pi^0 p_T$ is limited with kinematics and resolution
- One charged pion is lost in Charged Veto
- The other one is lost in Beam Hole Charged Veto



Background — $K_L \rightarrow \pi^\pm e^\mp \nu$ —



Reduction to be $\times 10^{-12}$ for penetrating two charged particles

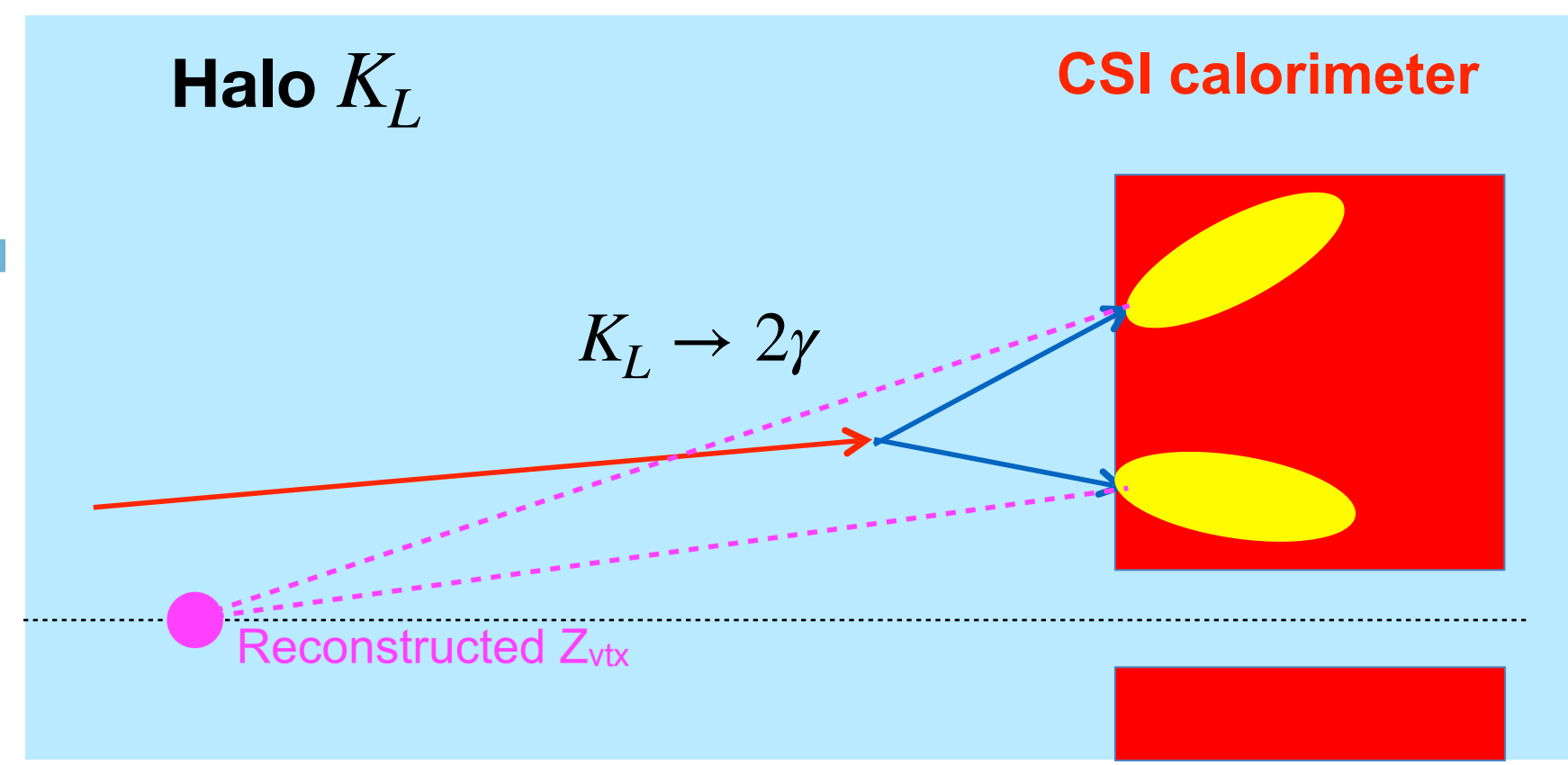
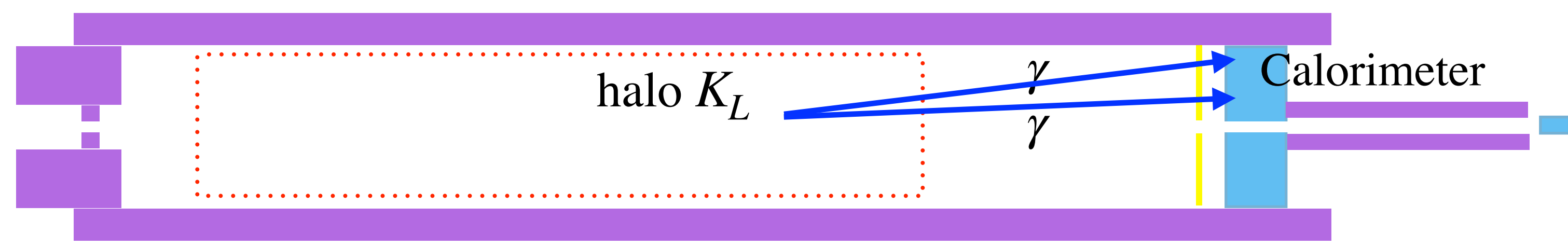


0.08 events are expected

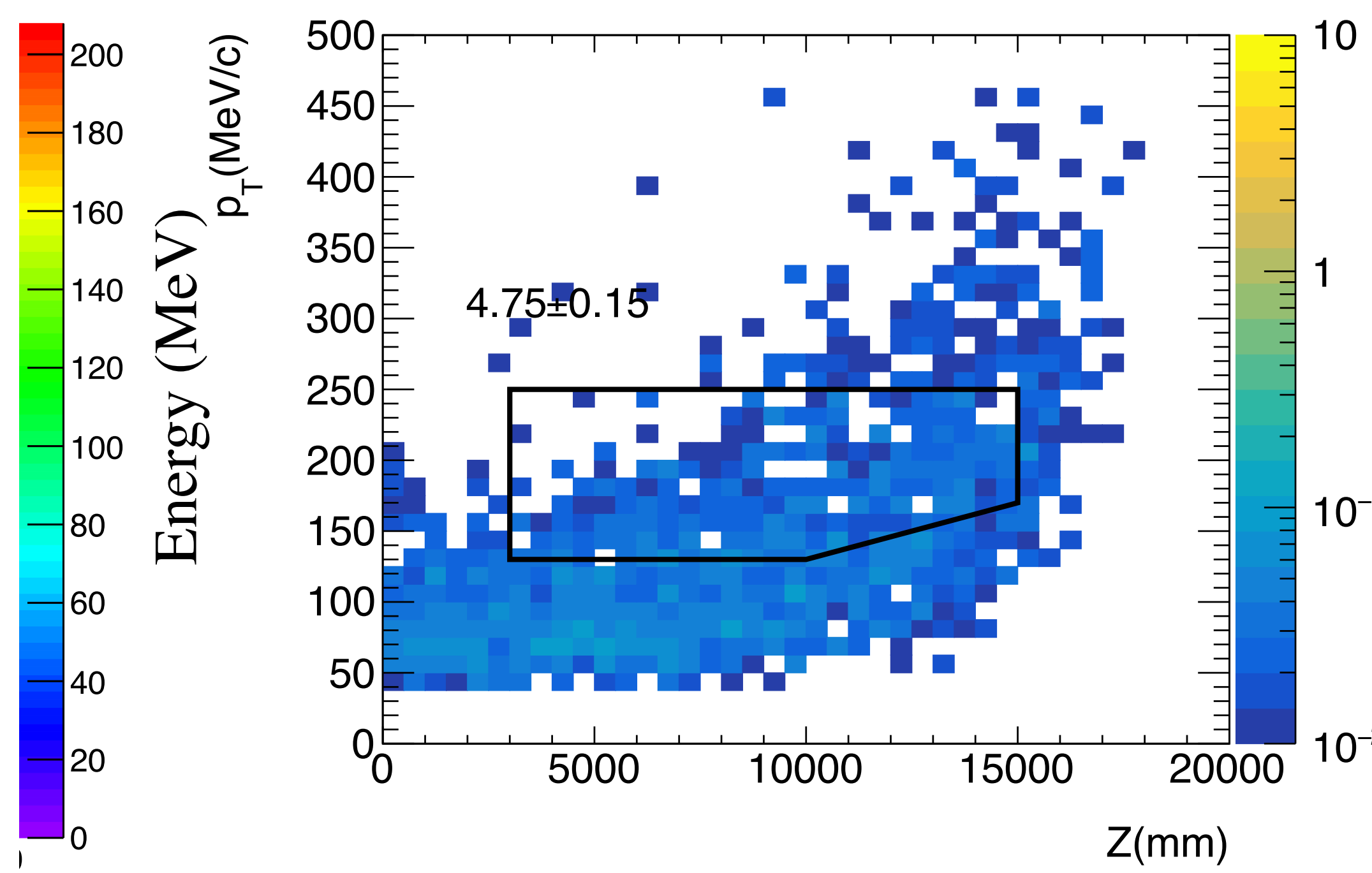
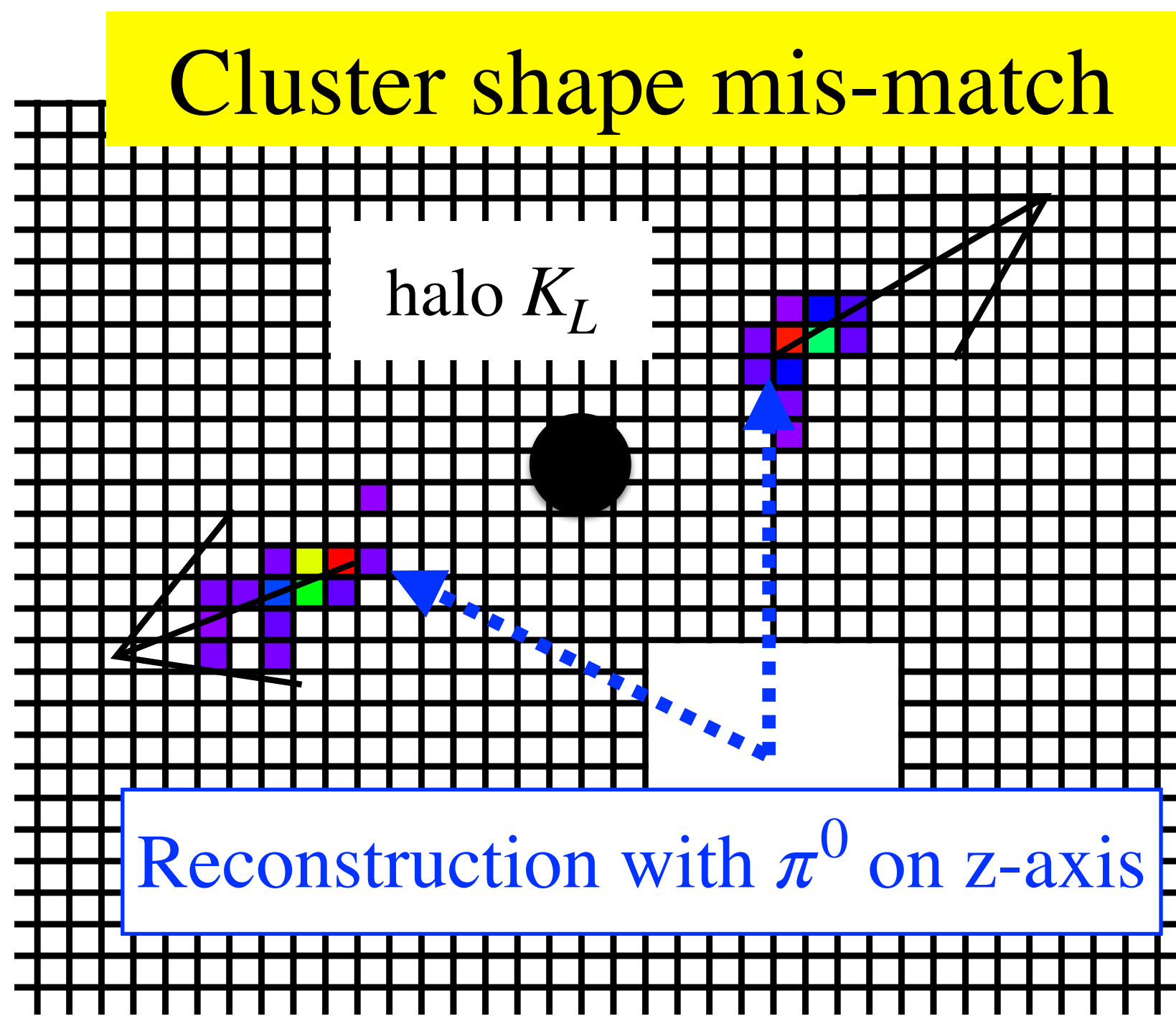
Two layers with 10^{-3} /layer/charged particle

KOTO CV : 10^{-5} /layer/charged particle was achieved.

Background —halo $K_L \rightarrow 2\gamma$ —

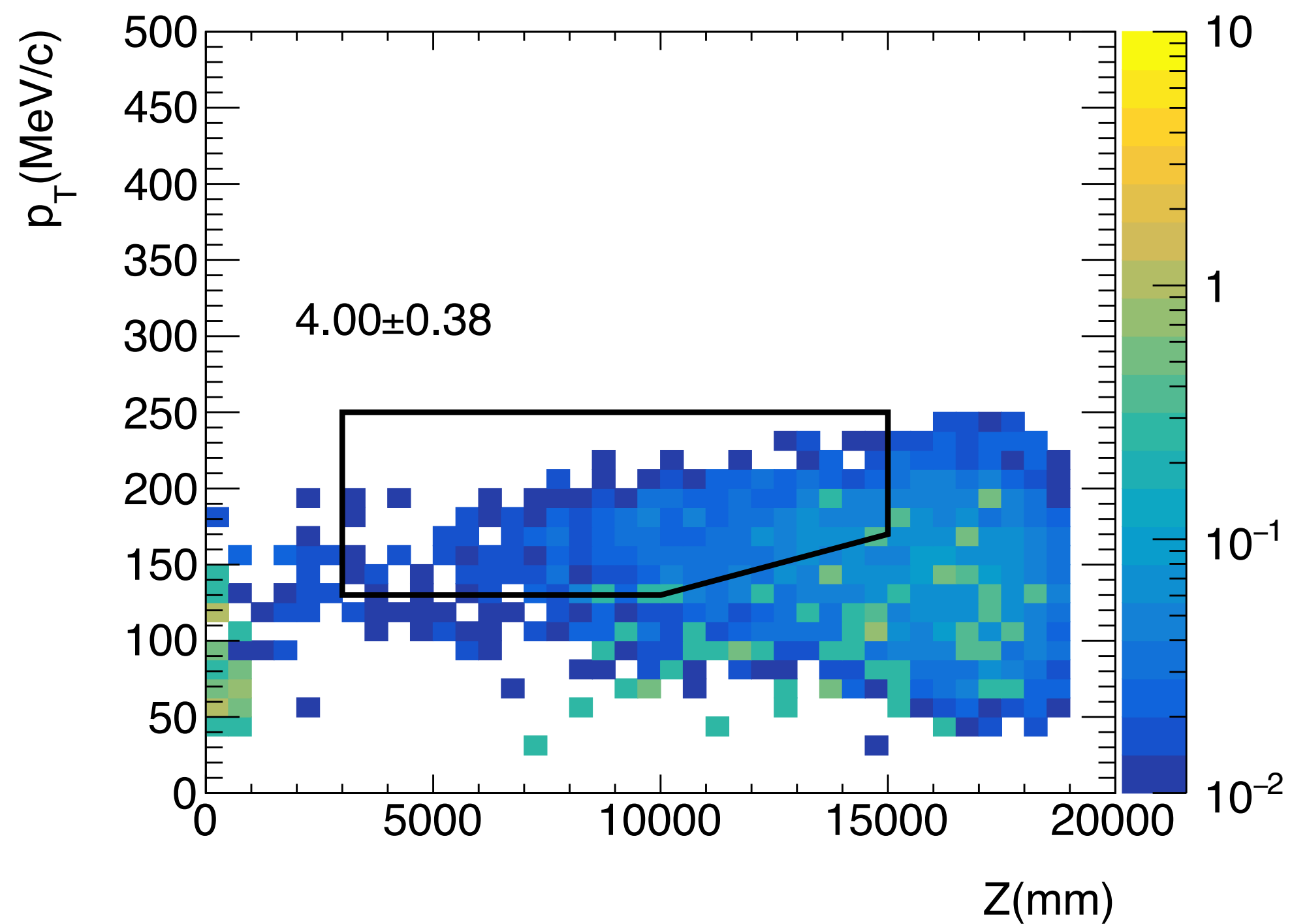
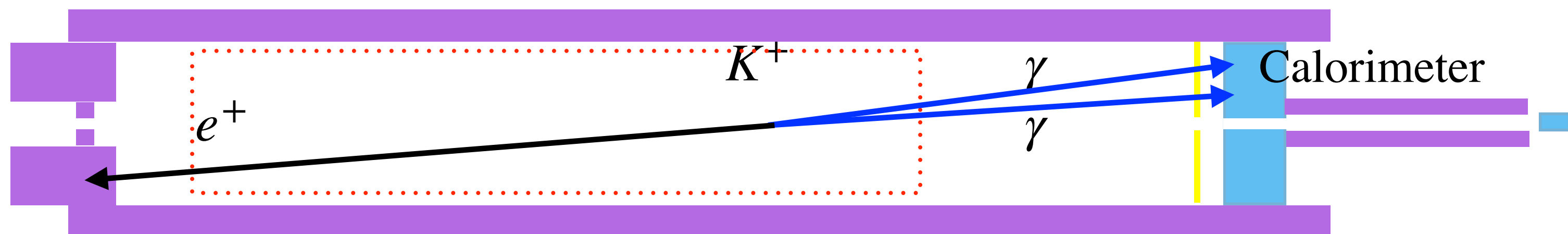


Larger p_T due to wrong reconstructed vertex



4.8 events expected with the assumption:
 × 1/100 reduction by requiring shower-shape consistency with the reconstructed incident angle

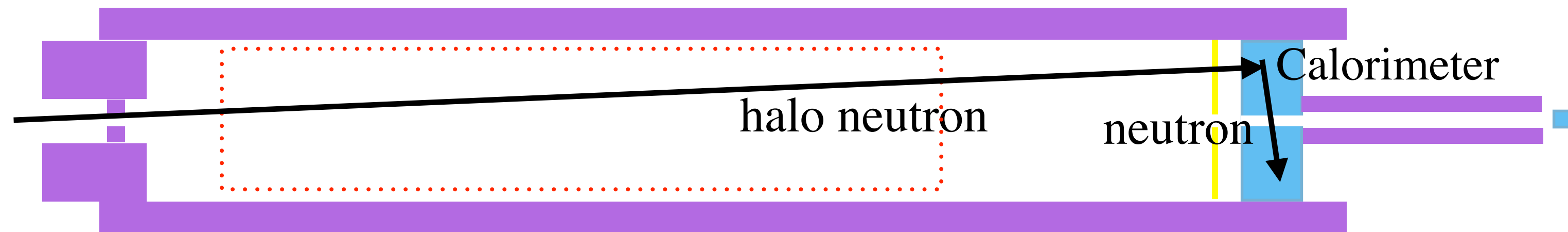
Background — $K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^0 e^\pm \nu$ —



4.0 events are expected.

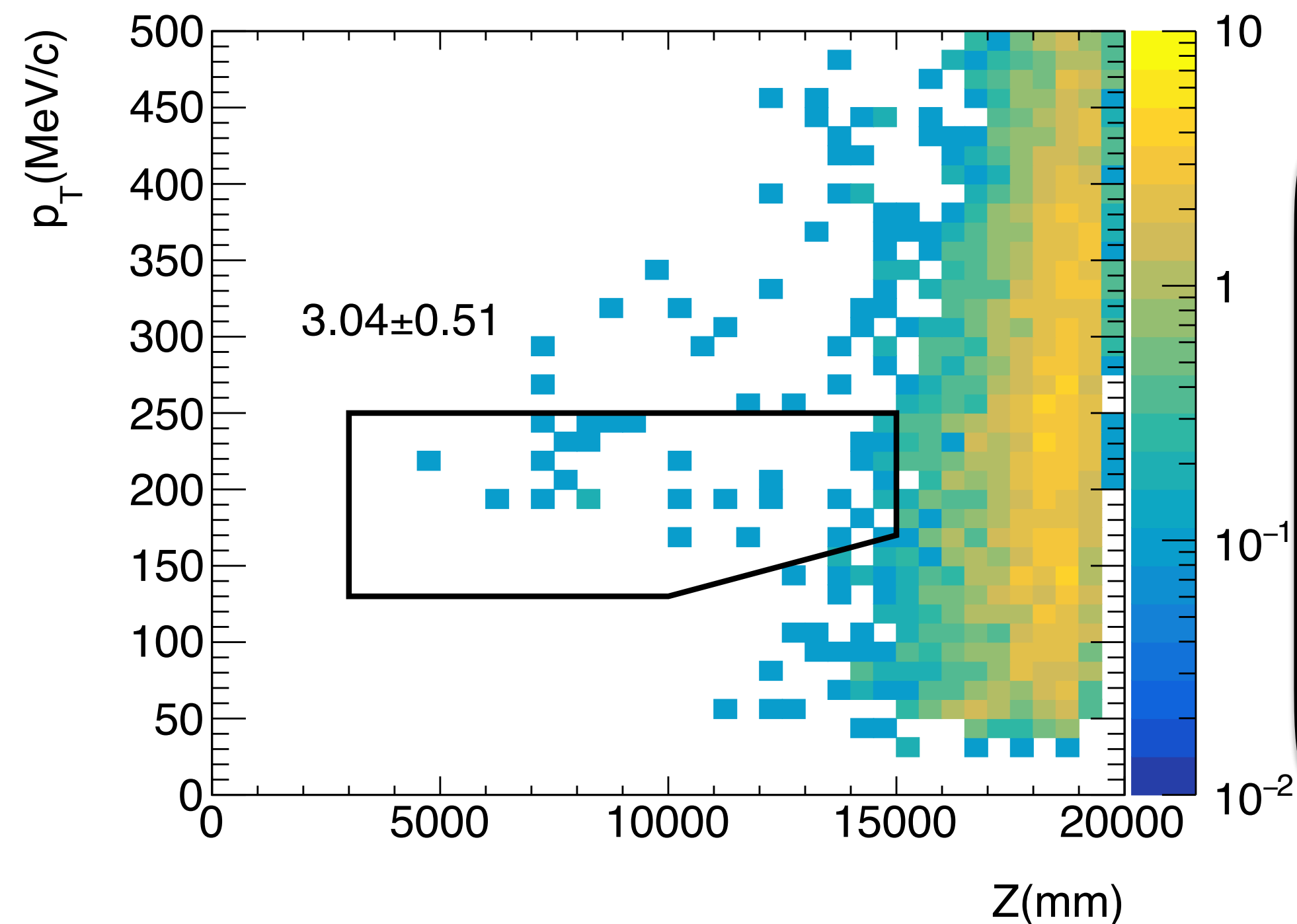
Second magnet is assumed to reduce it to be $\times 1/10$.

Background — hadron cluster background —



3 events are expected.

$\times 10^{-7}$ reduction with 73% signal efficiency (0.9^3) is assumed



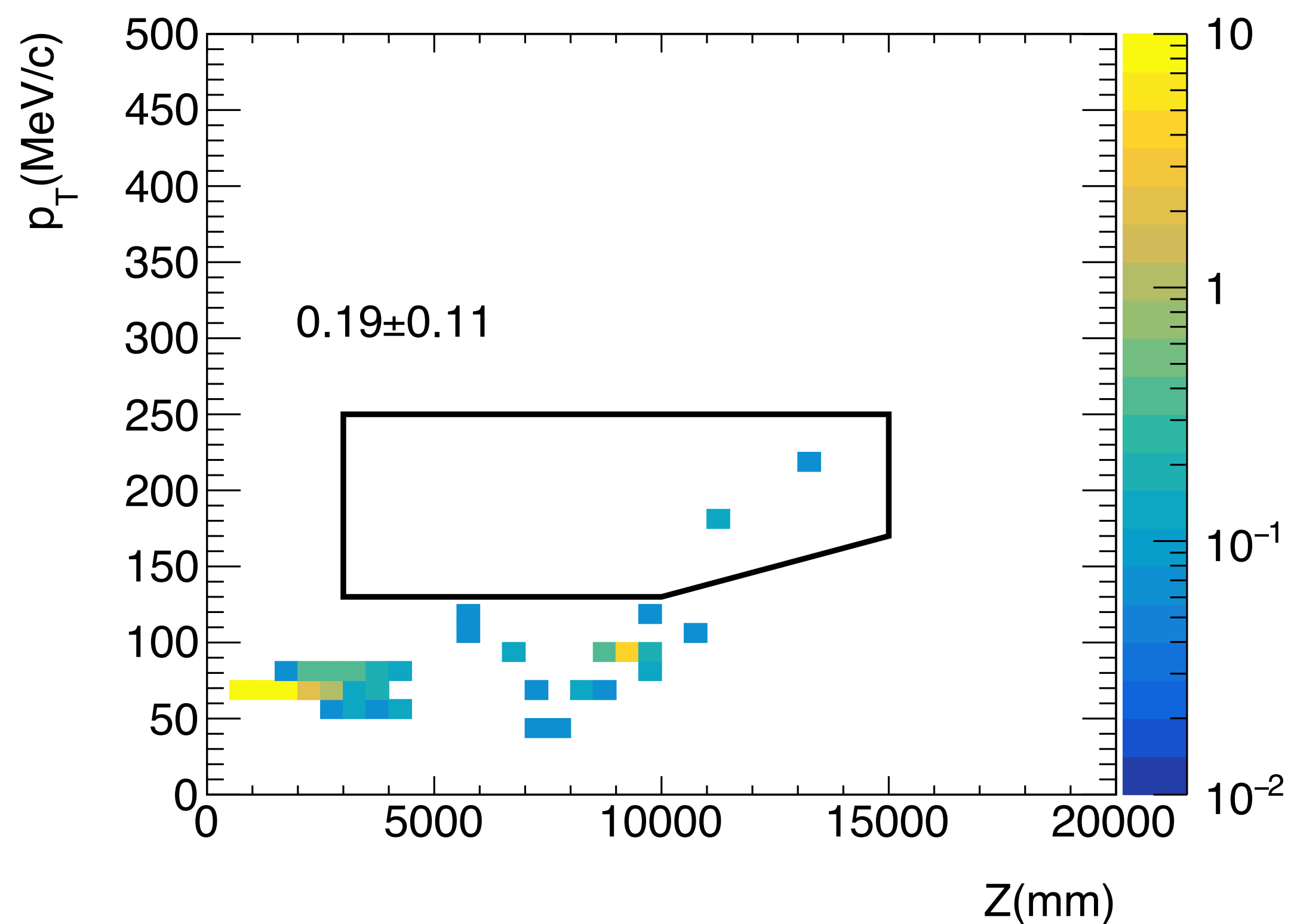
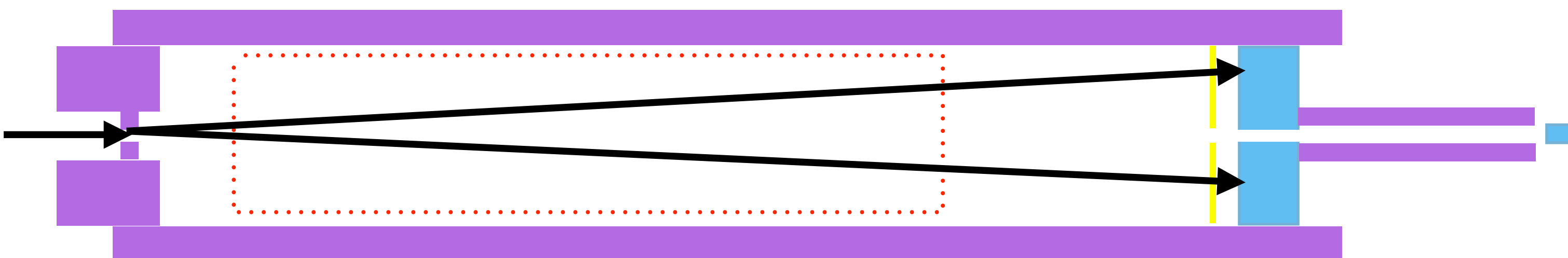
KOTO achieved $\sim 10^{-7}$ reduction
with 0.65 signal efficiency

Cluster shape + Pulse shape
 $\times (2.5 \times 10^{-6})$ with 72% signal efficiency

Shower depth
 $\times (2.1 \times 10^{-2})$ with 90% signal efficiency

Background — Upstream π^0 —

Halo neutron $\rightarrow \pi^0$

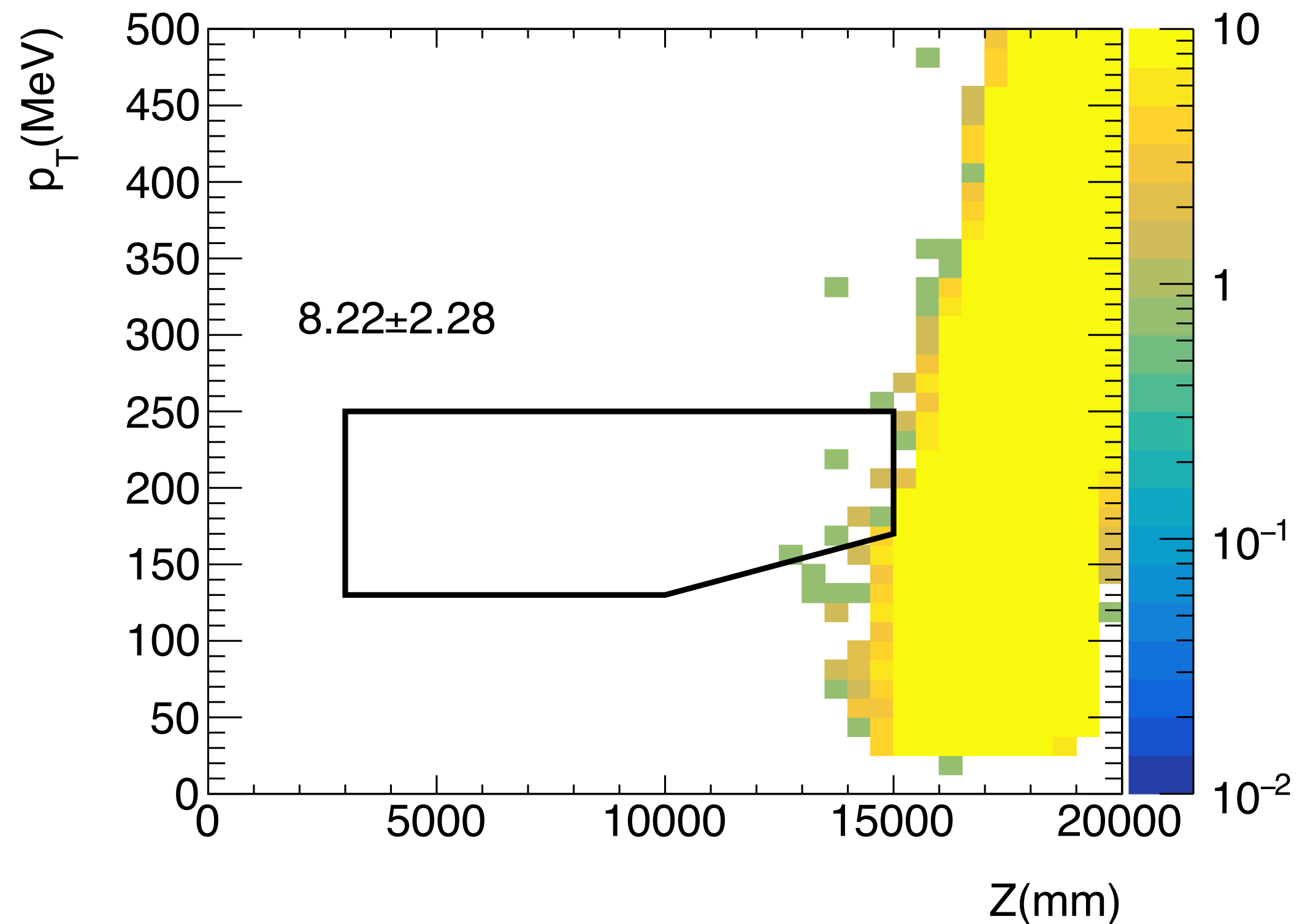
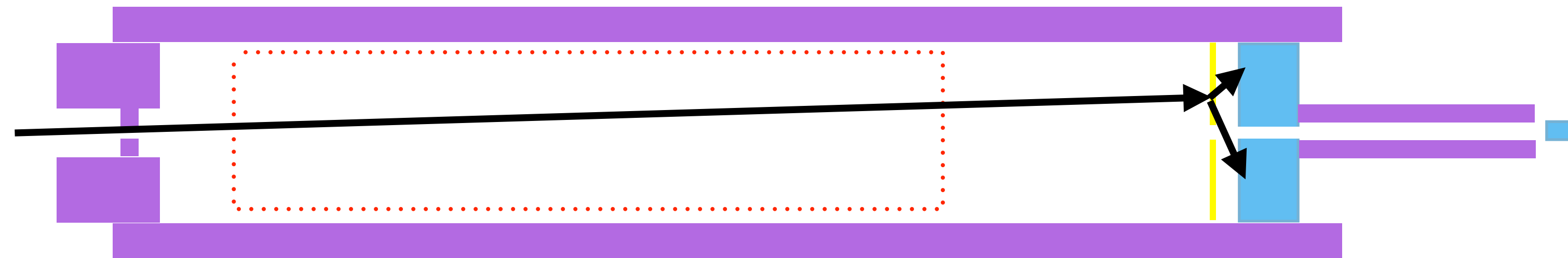


0.2 events are expected.

Fully active upstream collar counter is assumed.

Background — η production at CV —

Halo neutron $\rightarrow \eta$



8.2 events are expected.

3-mm thick plastic scintillator at 30-cm upstream of the calorimeter is assumed.

More reduction by using the cluster shape cuts can be expected.

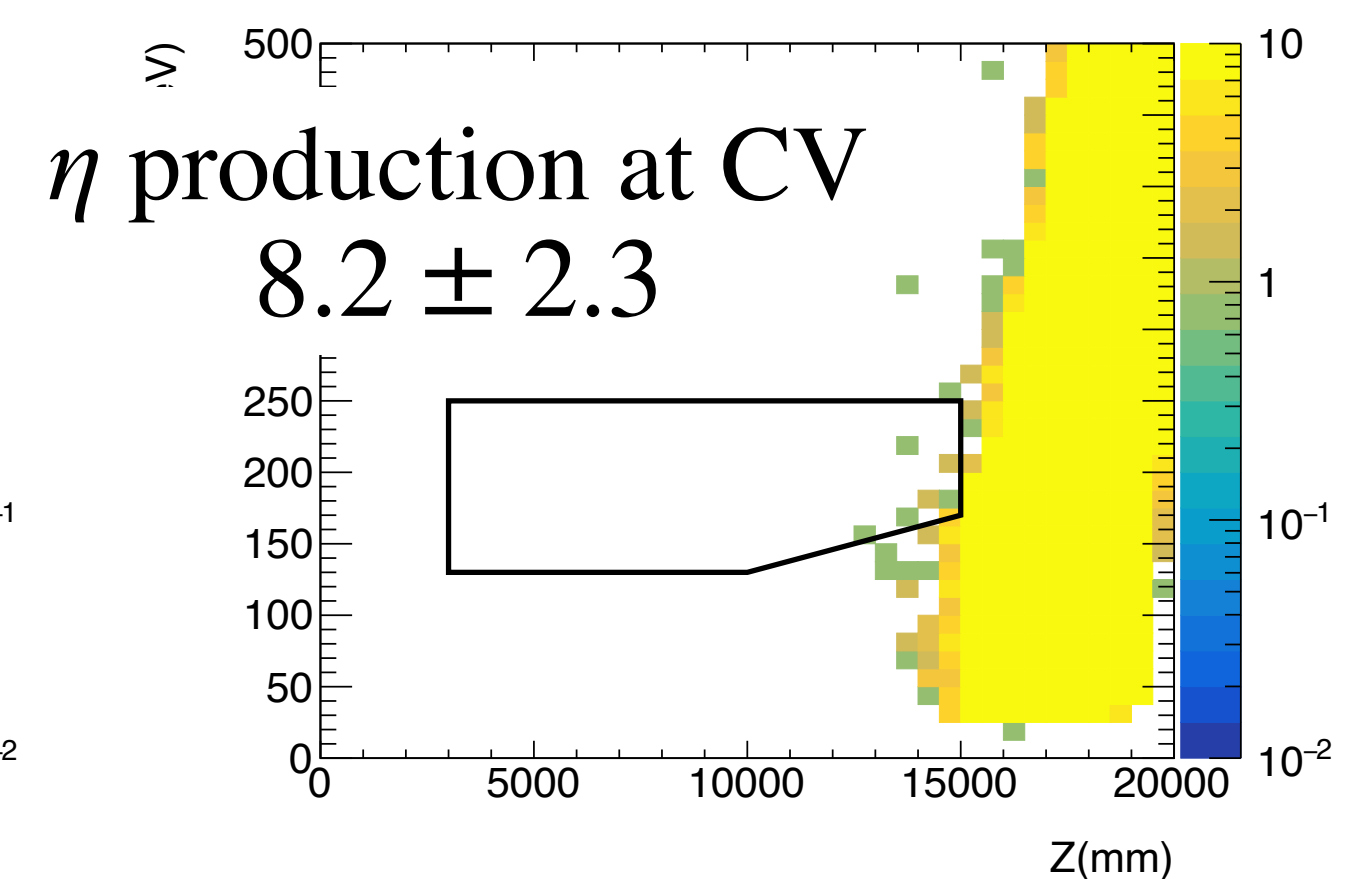
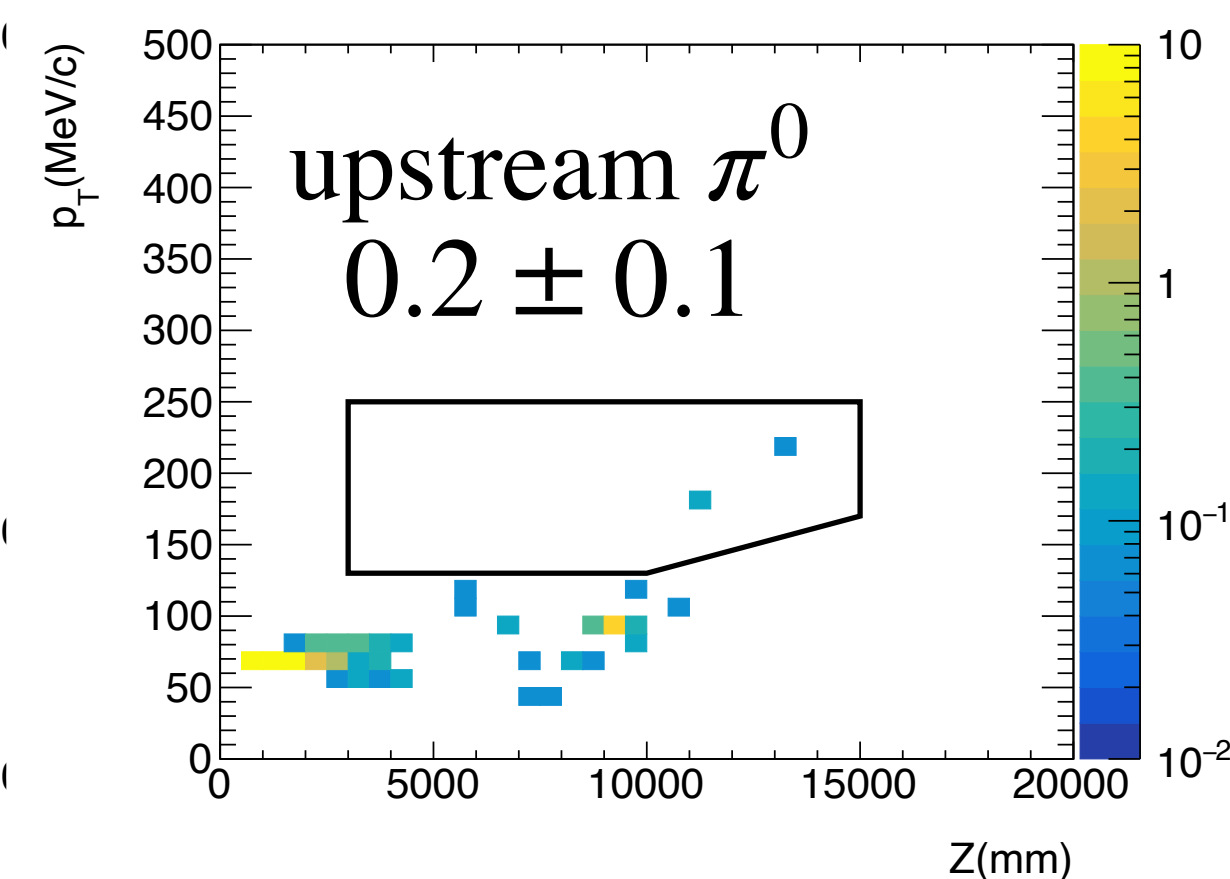
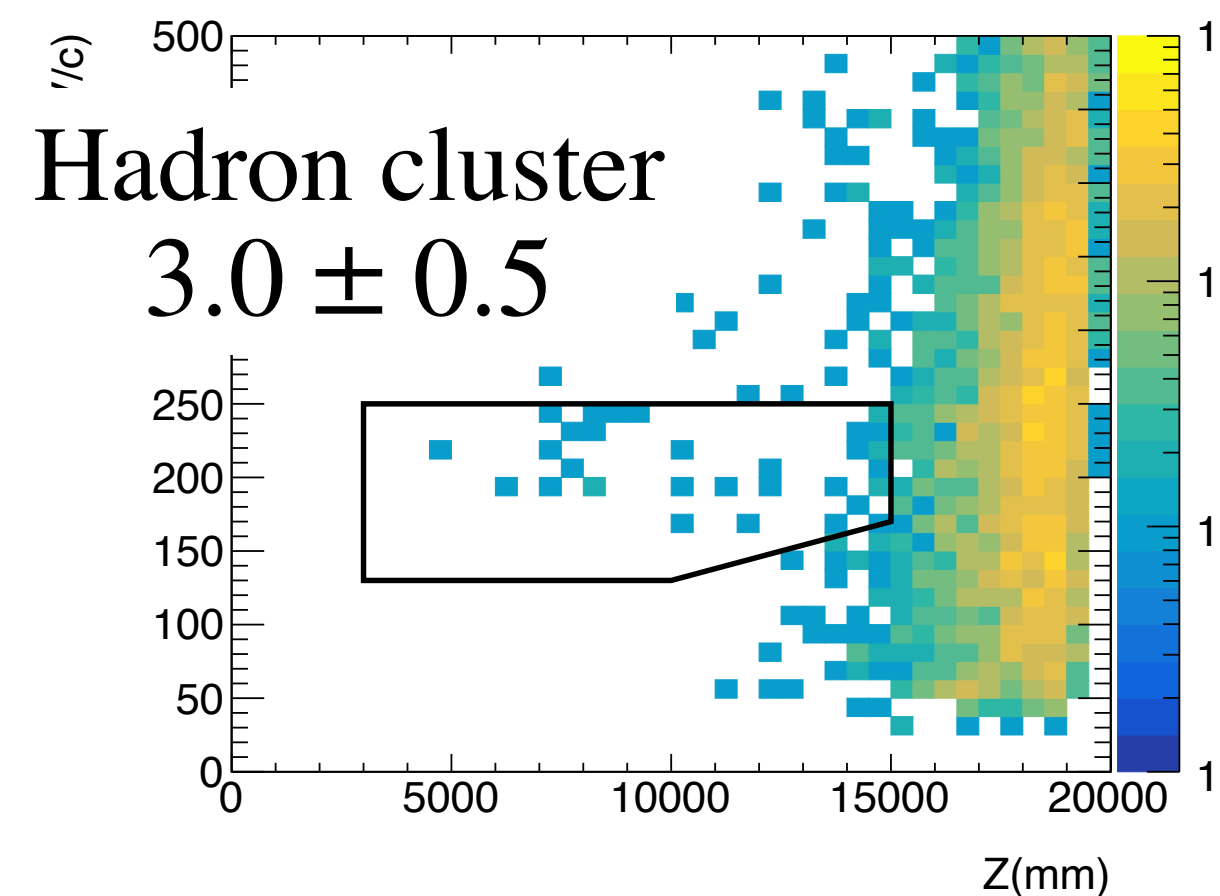
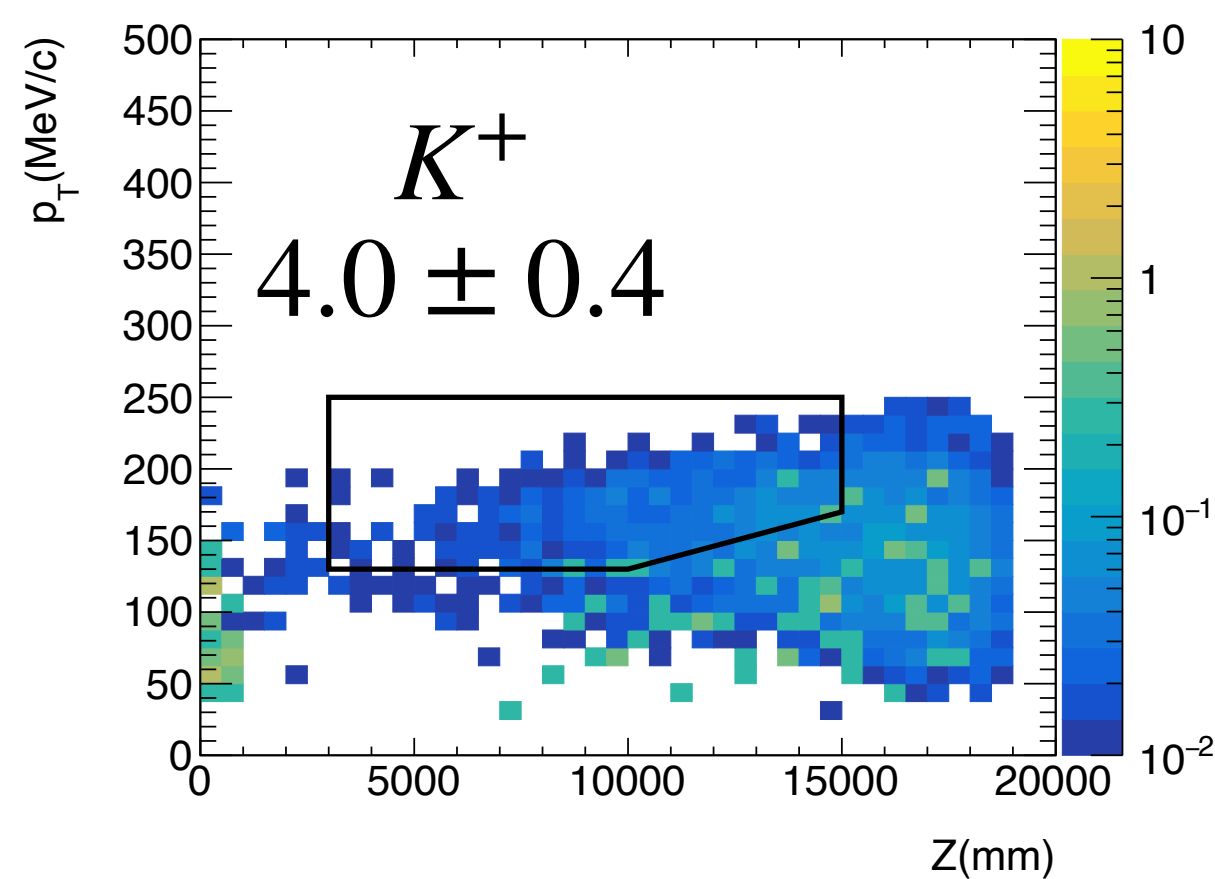
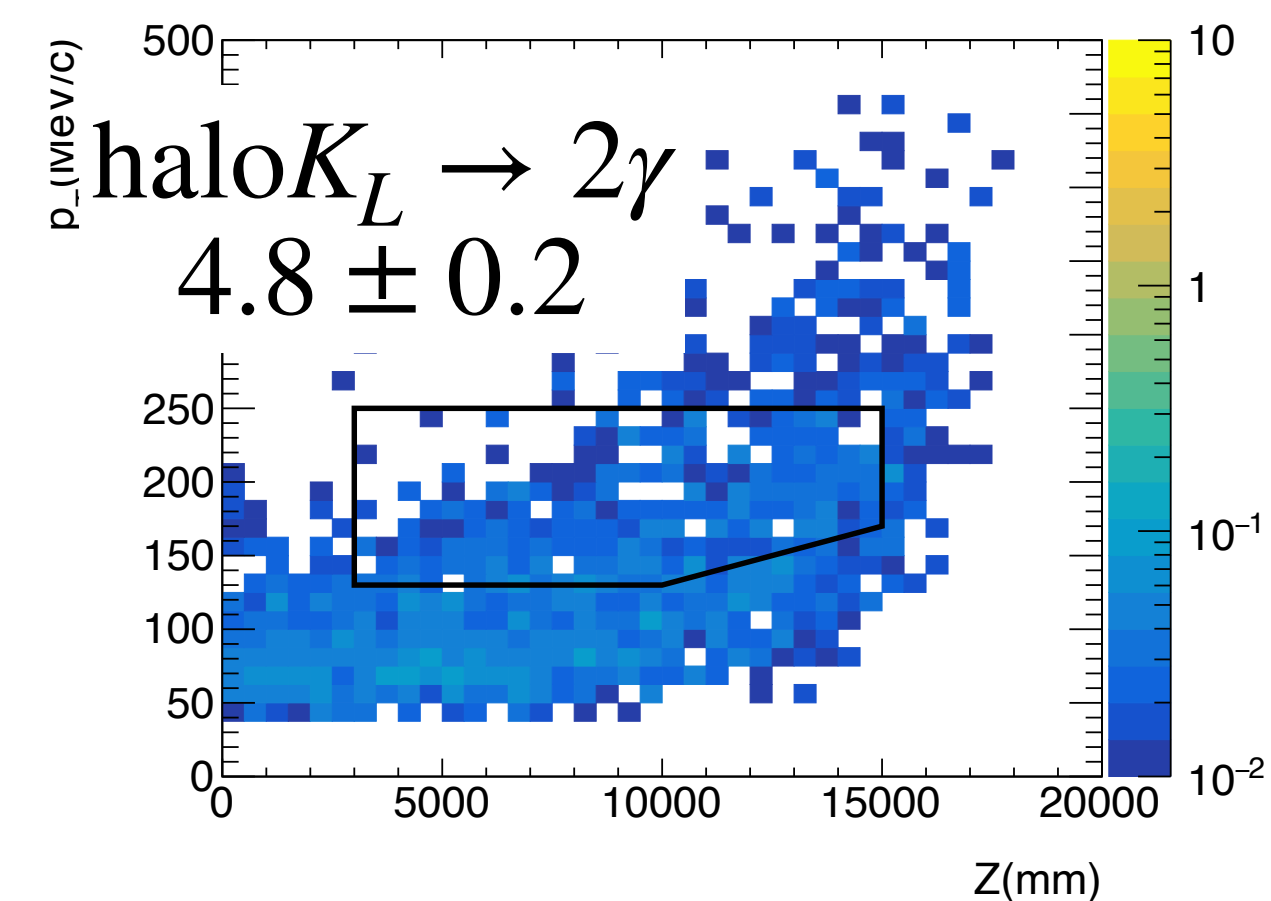
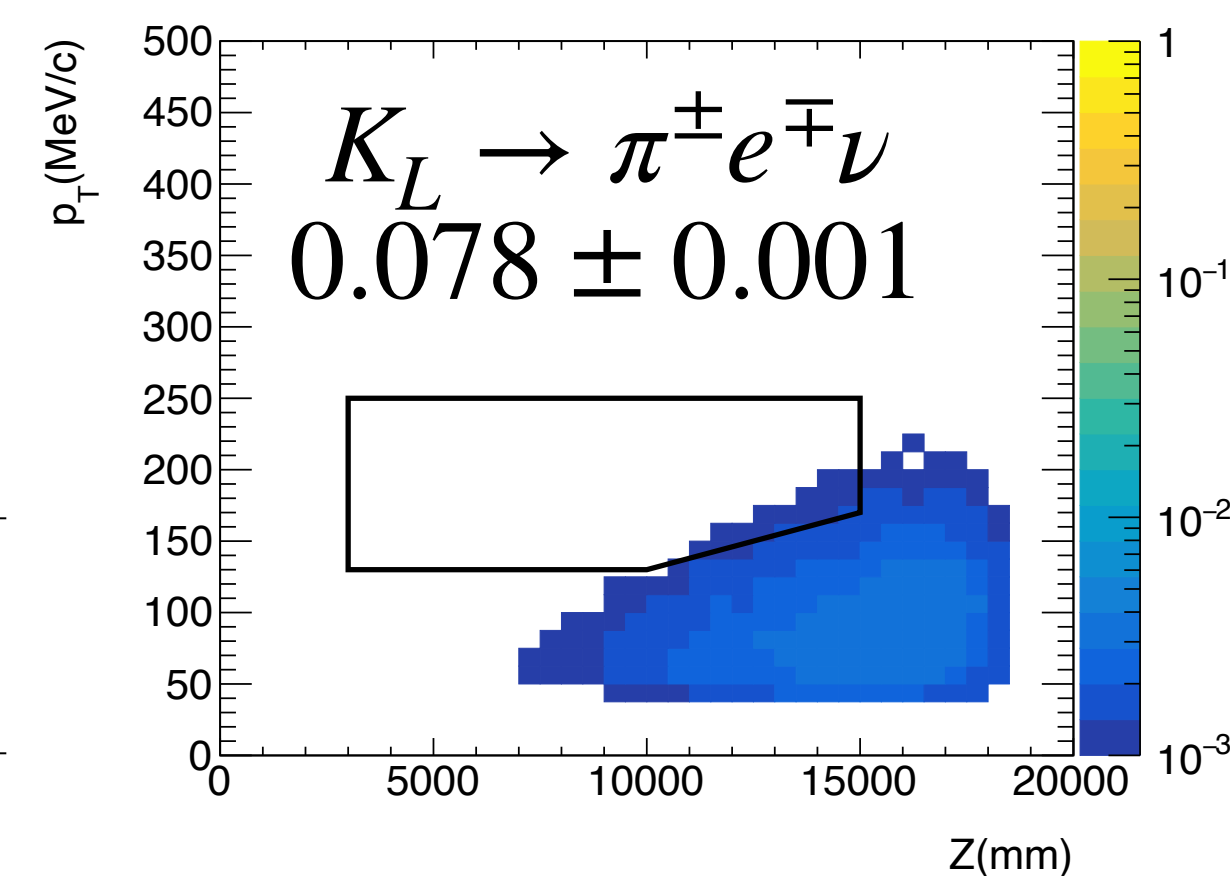
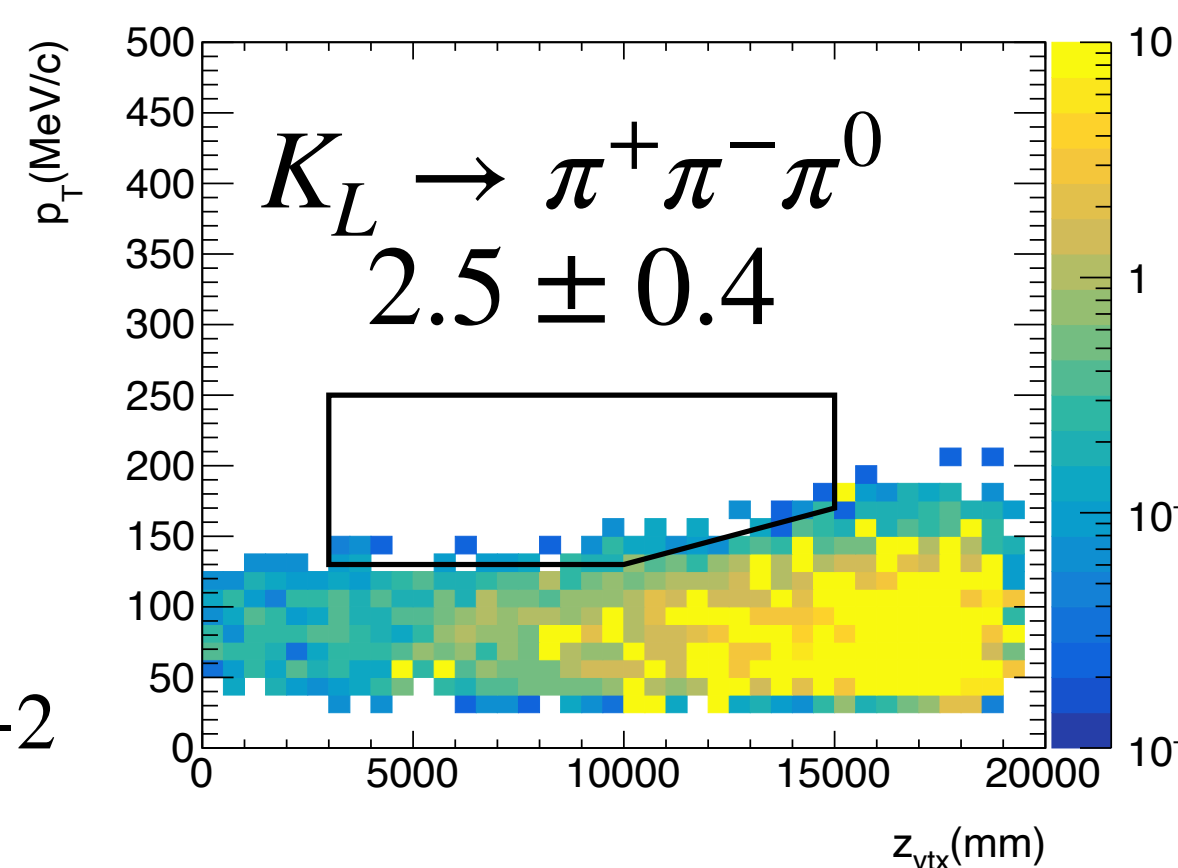
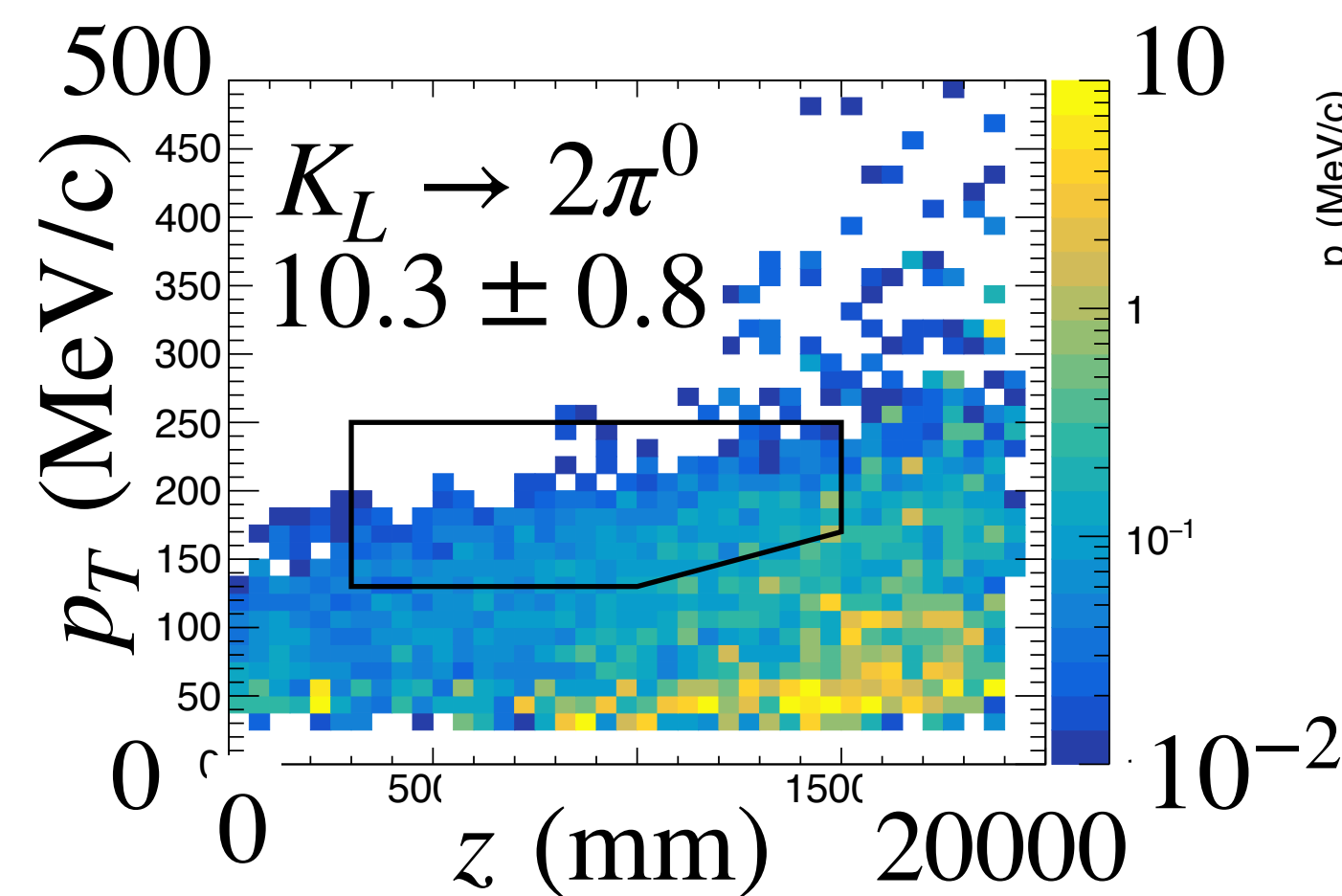
Background summary

Update from KAON2022

100 kW beam, 3×10^7 s
 \rightarrow POT : 6.3×10^{20}

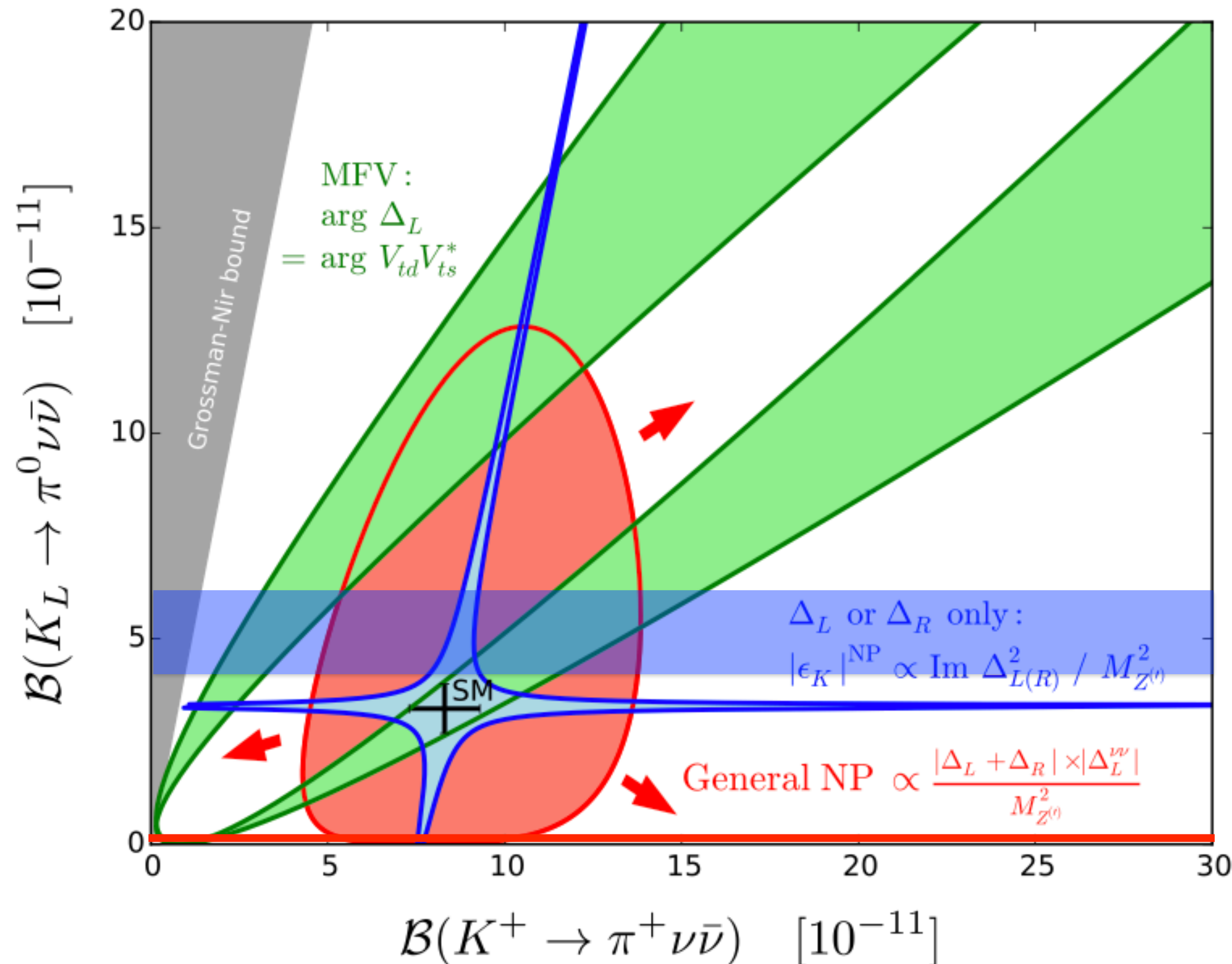
of signal events (SM) : 35
 # of background events : 33
 S/N = 1.1 \rightarrow 6.1σ observation

SES: 8.5×10^{-13}



Impact of KOTO II

Base design → better sensitivity with more studies



100 kW beam, 3×10^7 s = 6.3×10^{20} POT

SES: 8.5×10^{-13} , S/B=1.1

- 35 SM signal / 33 background events

→ 6.1σ observation

- $\Delta \mathcal{B} / \mathcal{B} = 23\% \rightarrow \Delta \eta / \eta = 12\%$

- 38% deviation from SM → 90%-CL indication of NP

Example

70% deviation from SM

May find NP effect

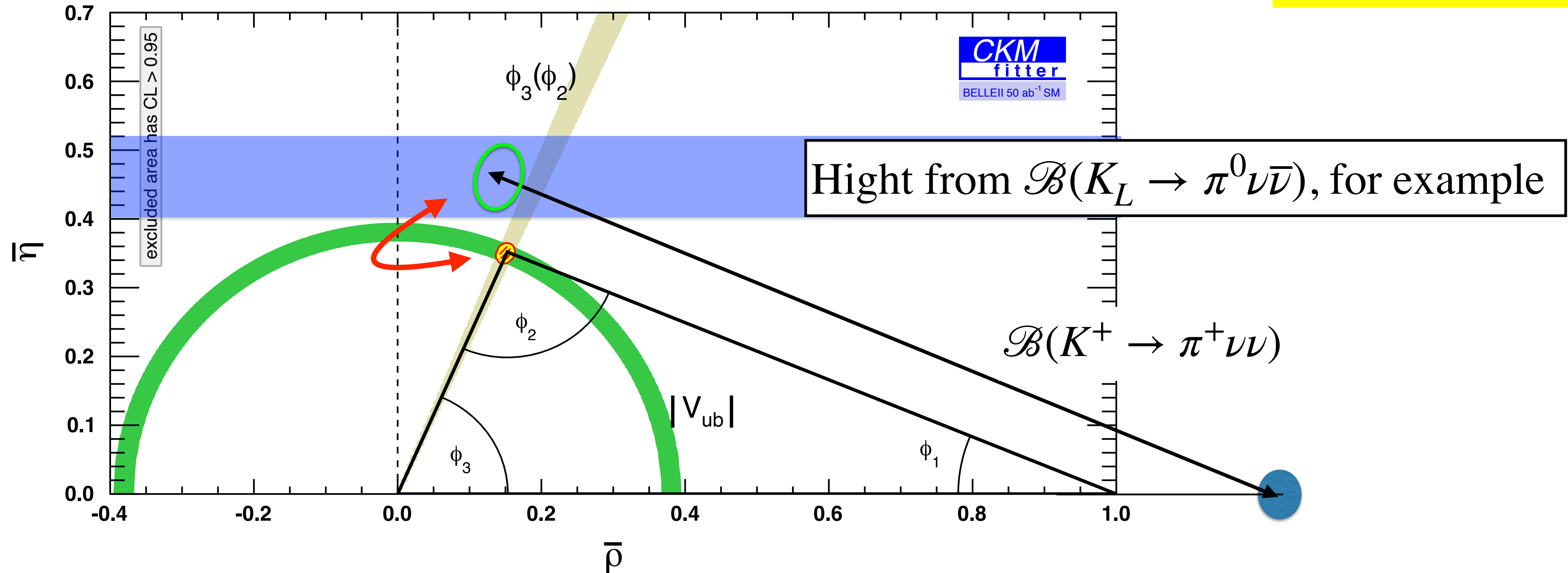
Impact of KOTO II

100 kW beam, 3×10^7 s = 6.3×10^{20} POT

- $\Delta\eta/\eta = 12\%$

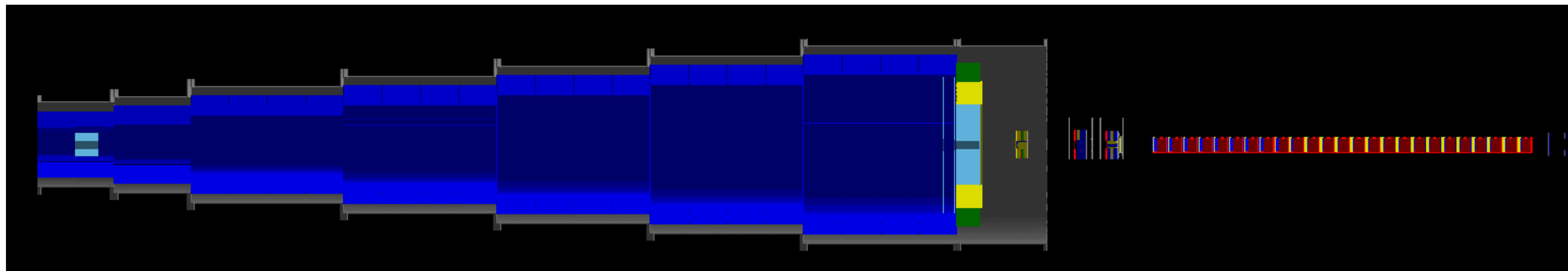
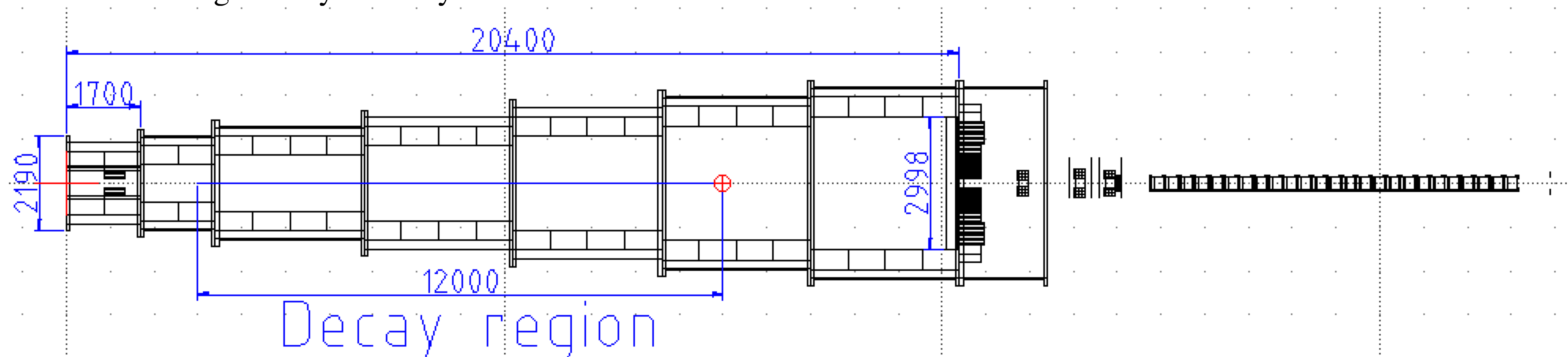
Belle II 50 ab^{-1} with only Tree contribution

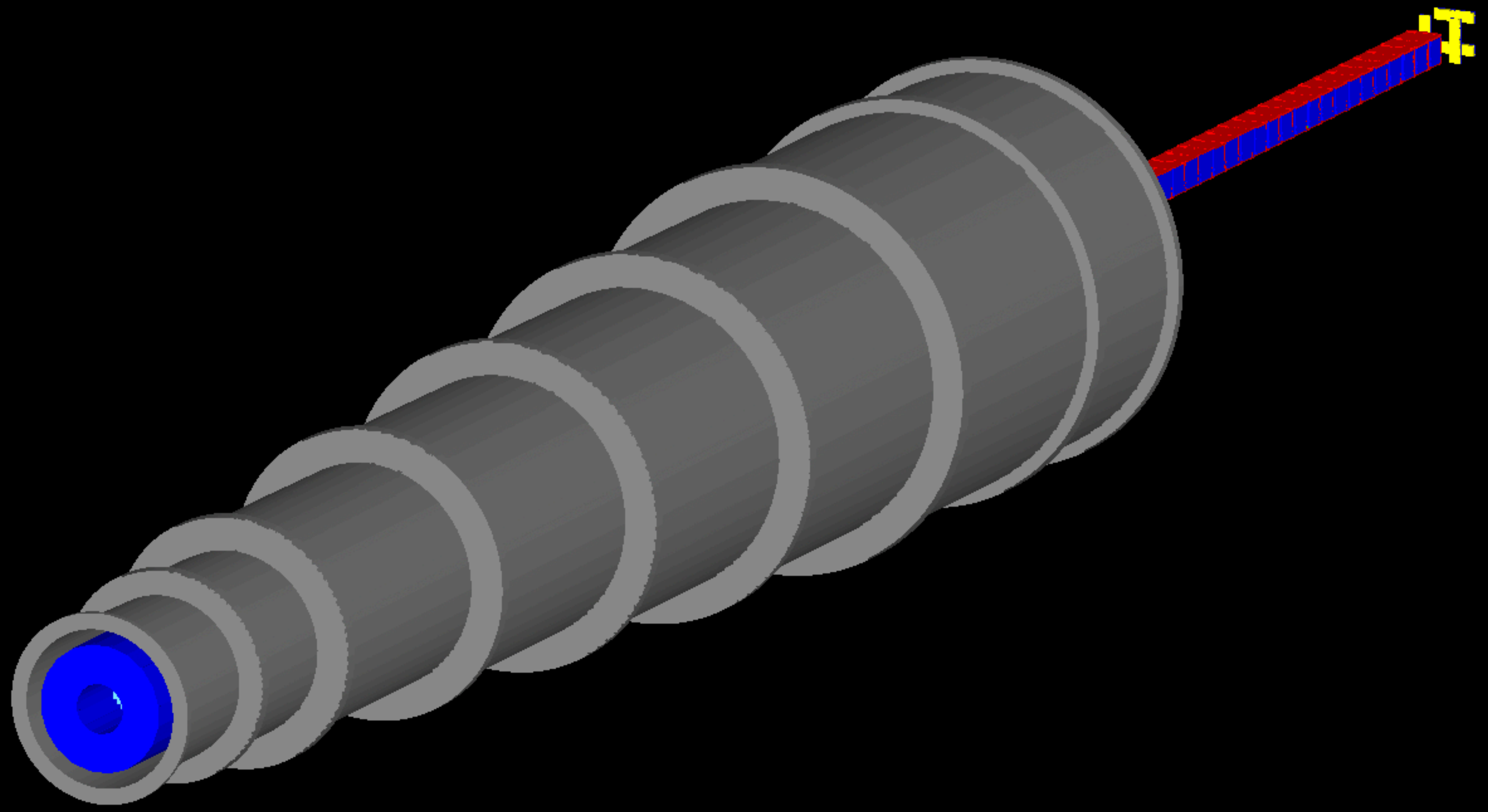
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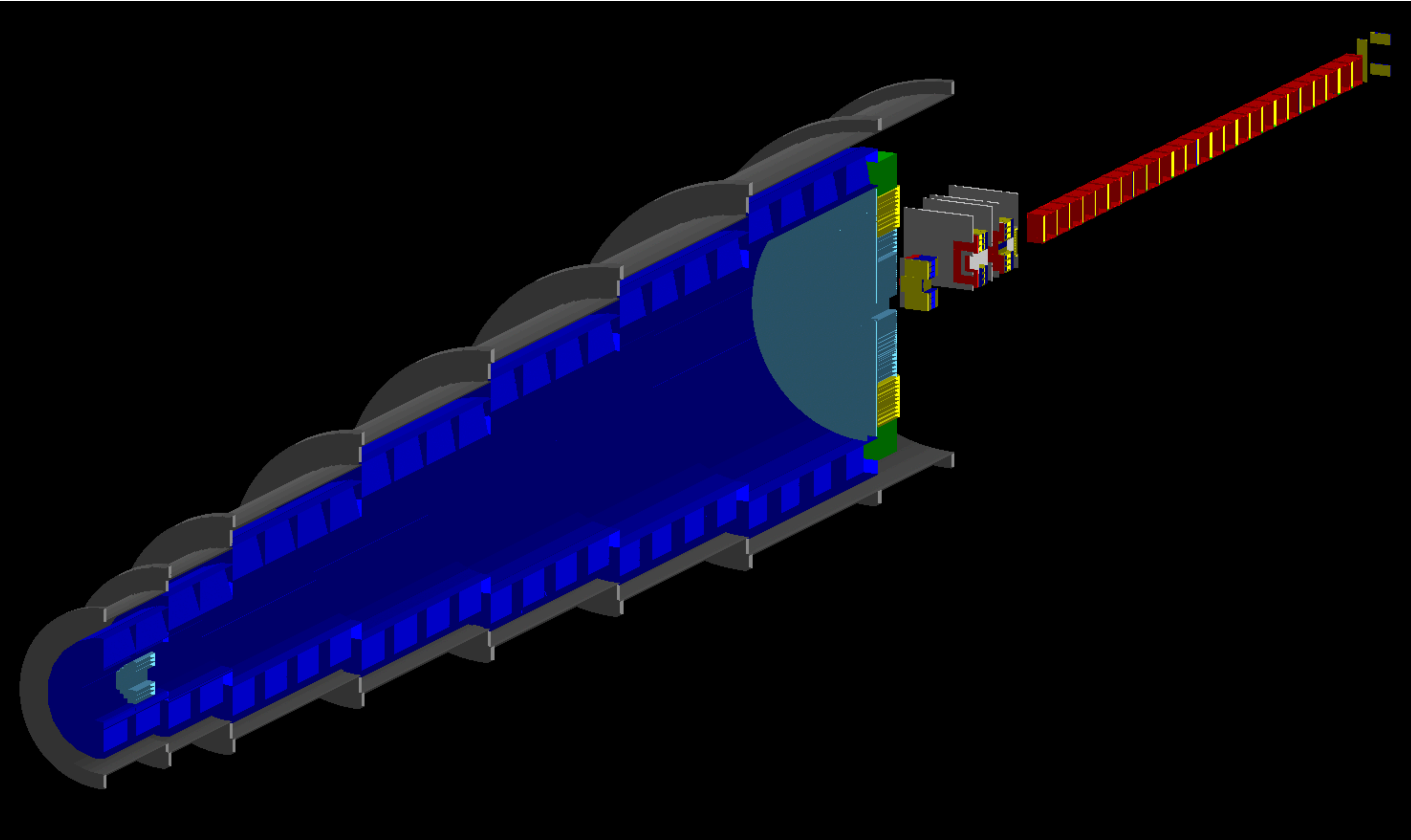


Preparation of KOTO II — realistic detector —

- Realistic detector geometry → Weight / Cost evaluation
- Geant4 geometry → ready for full simulation



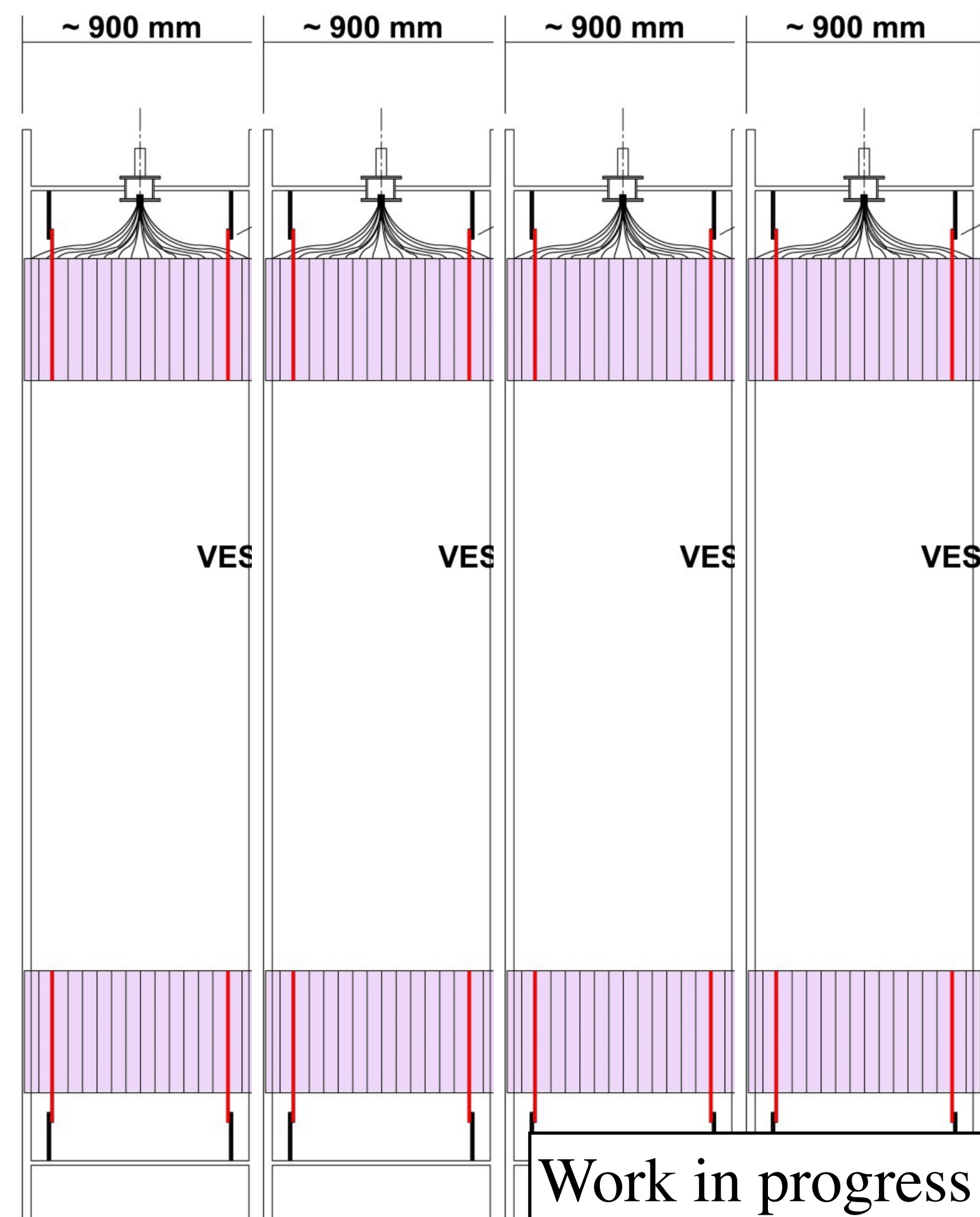
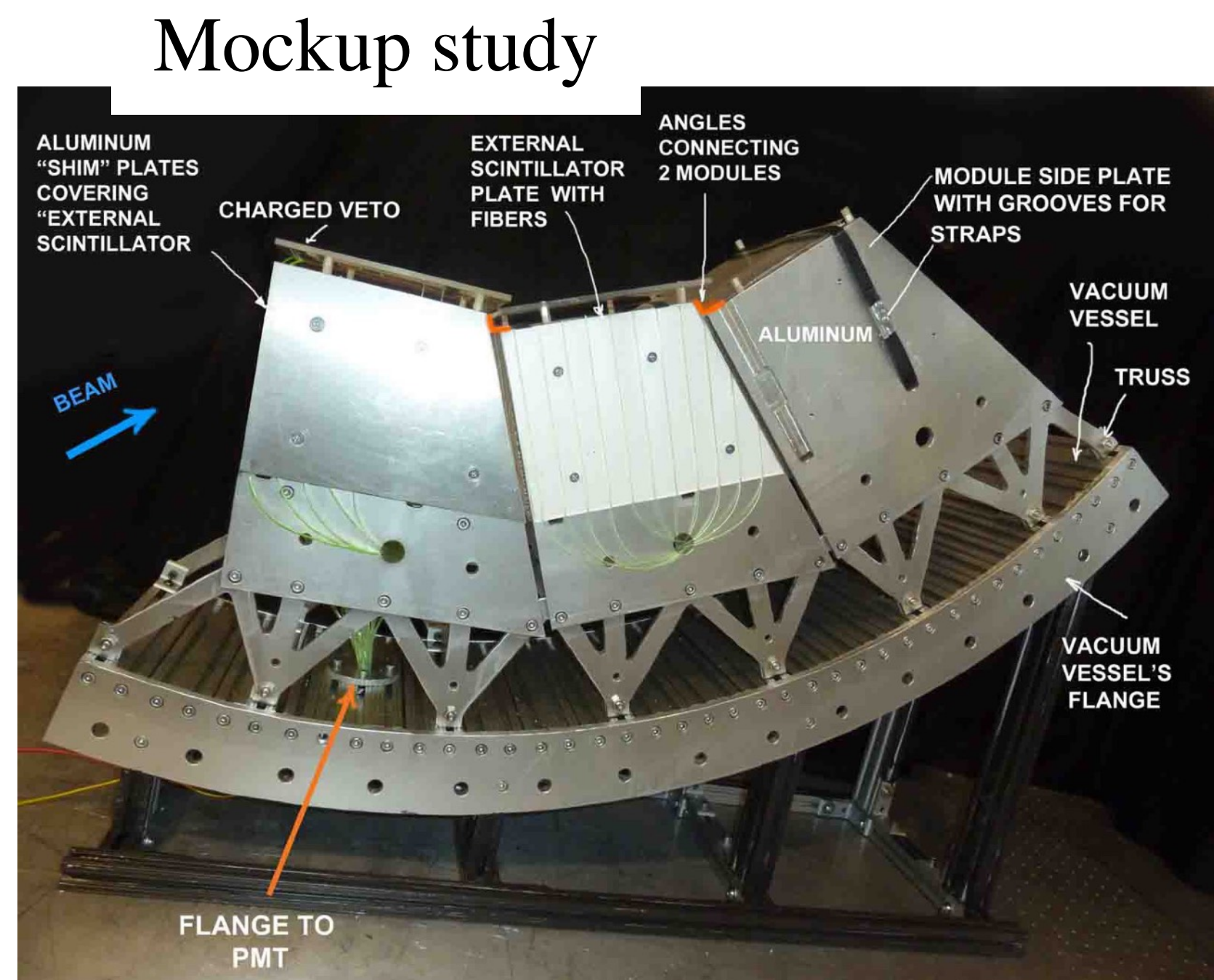




Preparation of KOTO II — barrel detector —

- 1 module : 135 layers of scintillator (1-mm thick) and lead (5-mm thick)
- Read out with PMT outside of the vacuum
- 32 modules in $\phi \times 4$ in $z \rightarrow 1$ vacuum tank

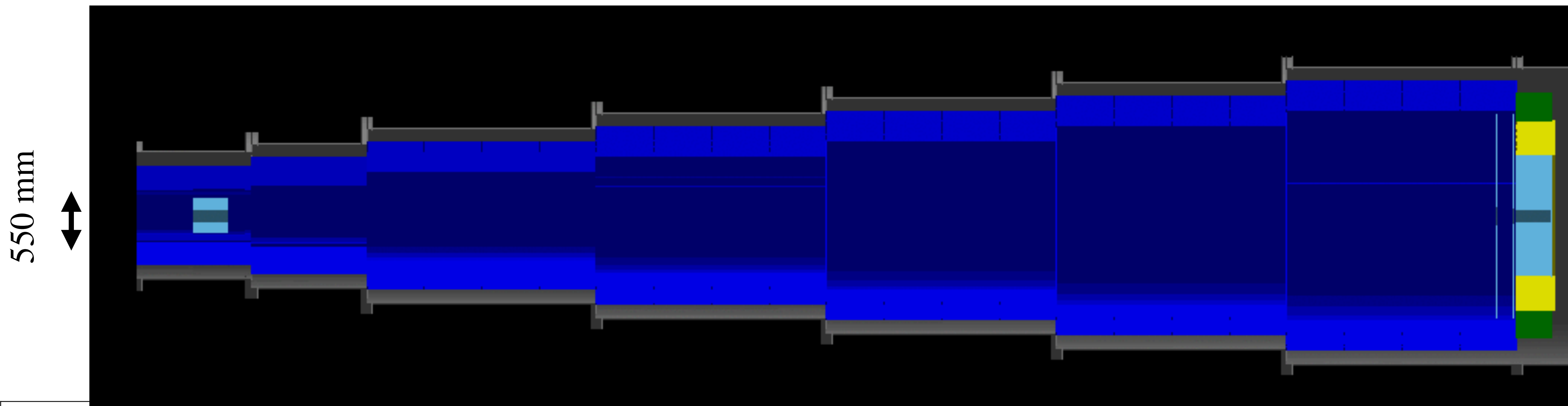
1st prototype



Work in progress
in U of Chicago



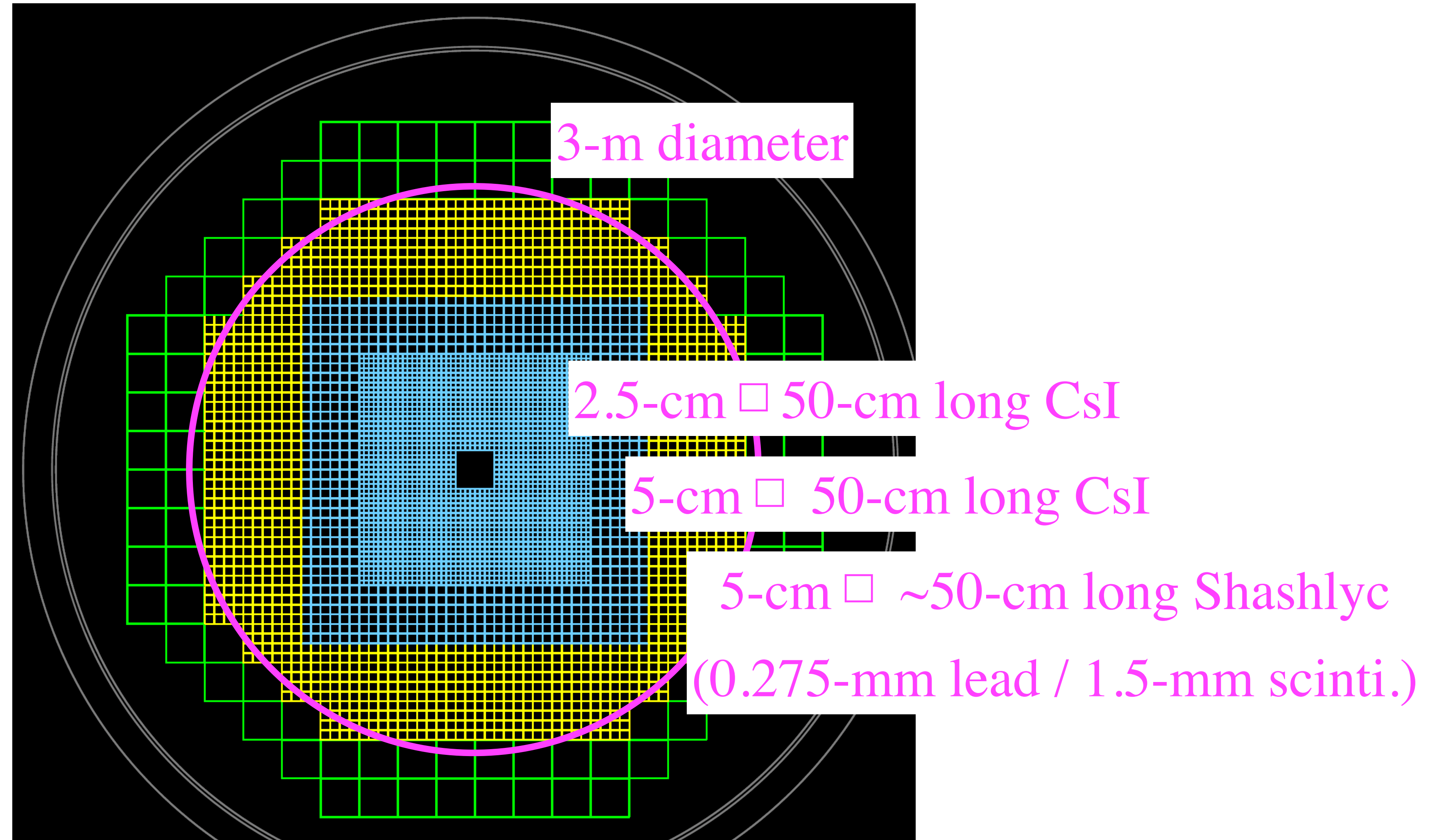
Preparation of KOTO II — barrel detector —



| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| # in Z | 2 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| # in ϕ | 20 | 20 | 24 | 32 | 32 | 32 | 32 |

Preparation of KOTO II – Calorimeter –

- An example configuration to study more.
- Idea of assembly
 - Stacking from the bottom.
 - Fix with pressure from side and top

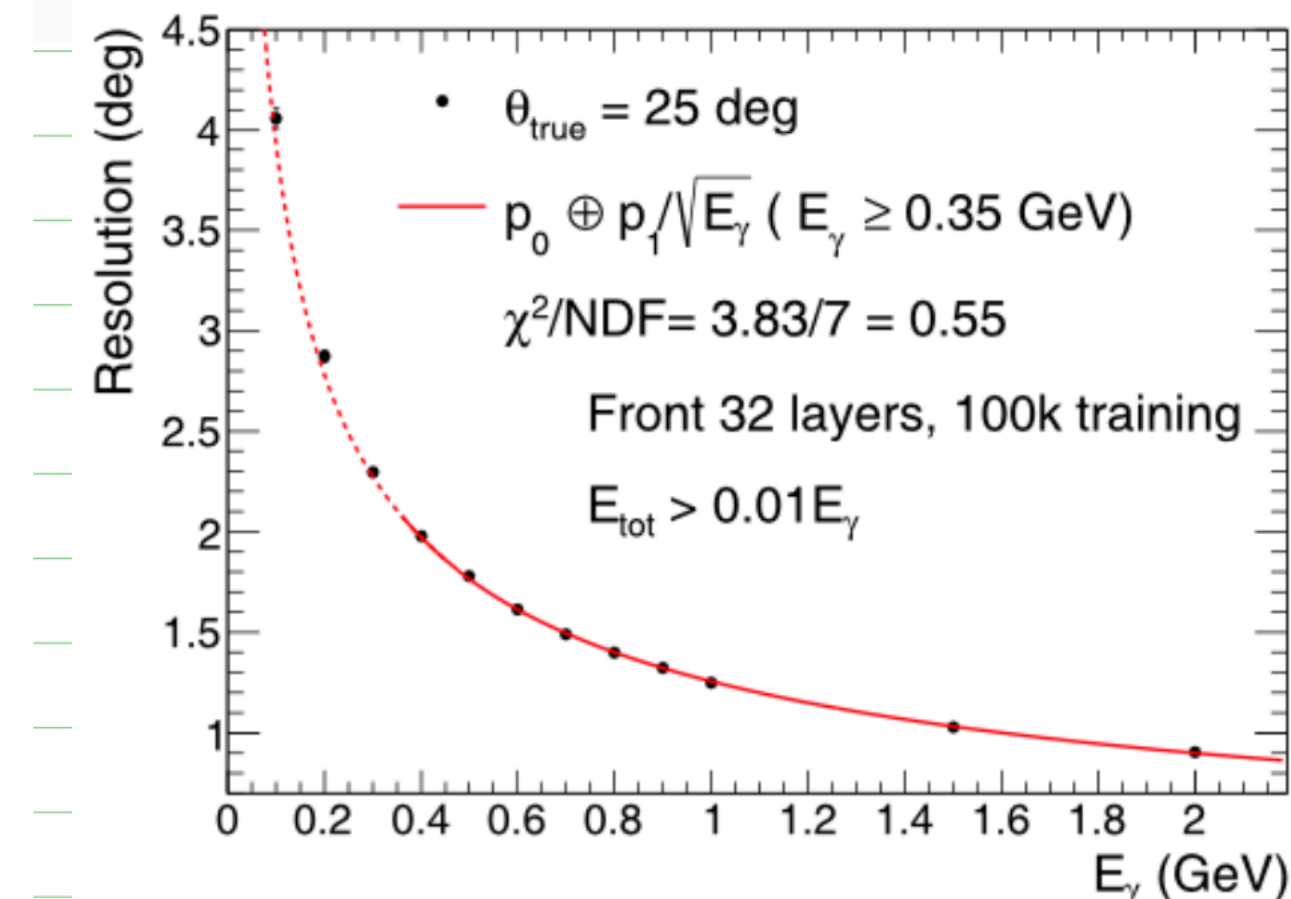
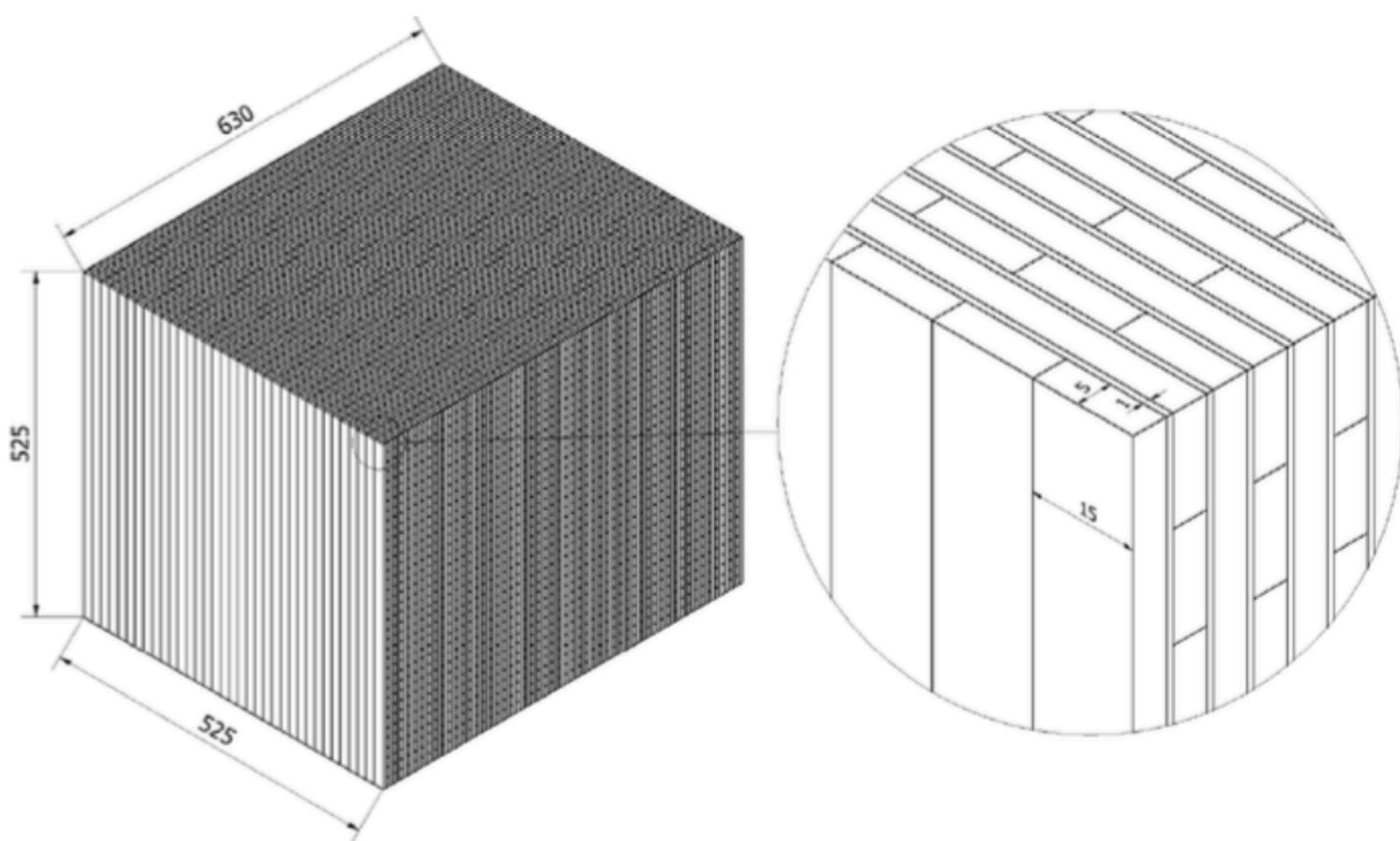


Outer Veto : 20-cm \square \sim 50-cm long Shashlyc (1-mm lead / 5-mm scinti.)

Preparation of KOTO II

— Trial of photon angle measurement with Calorimeter —

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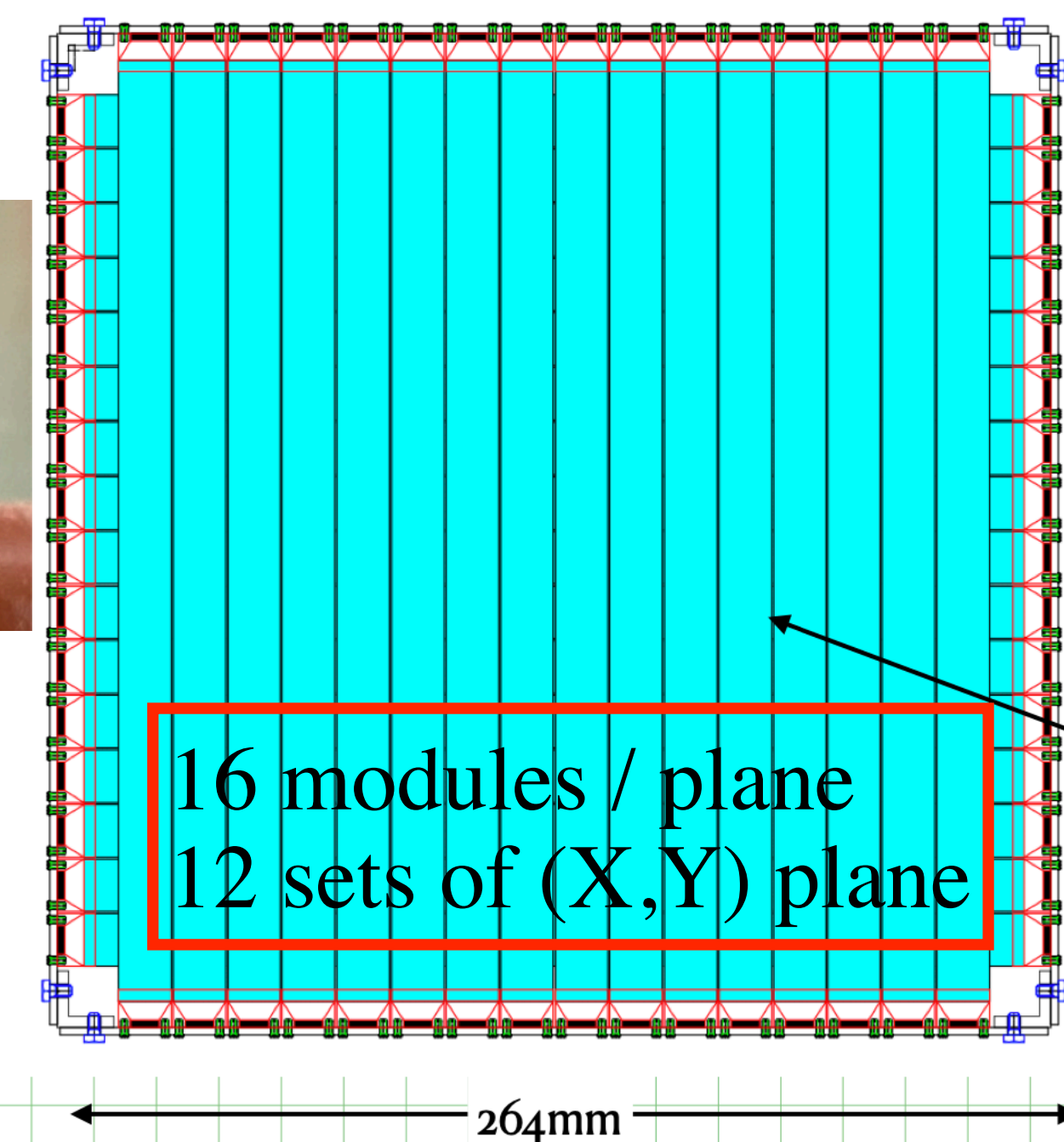
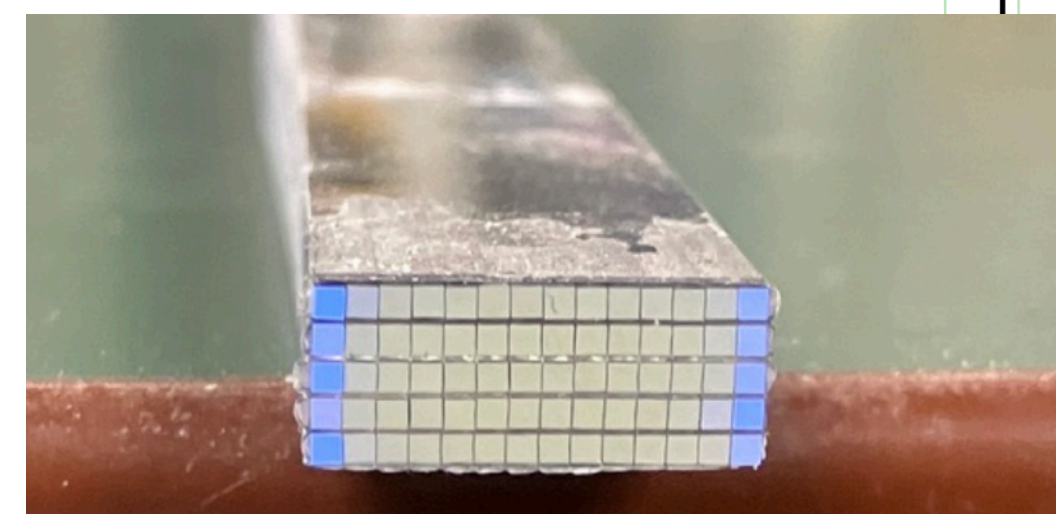


Lead/Scintillator sandwich
 → 15-mm-wide scintillator readout
 → Shower development

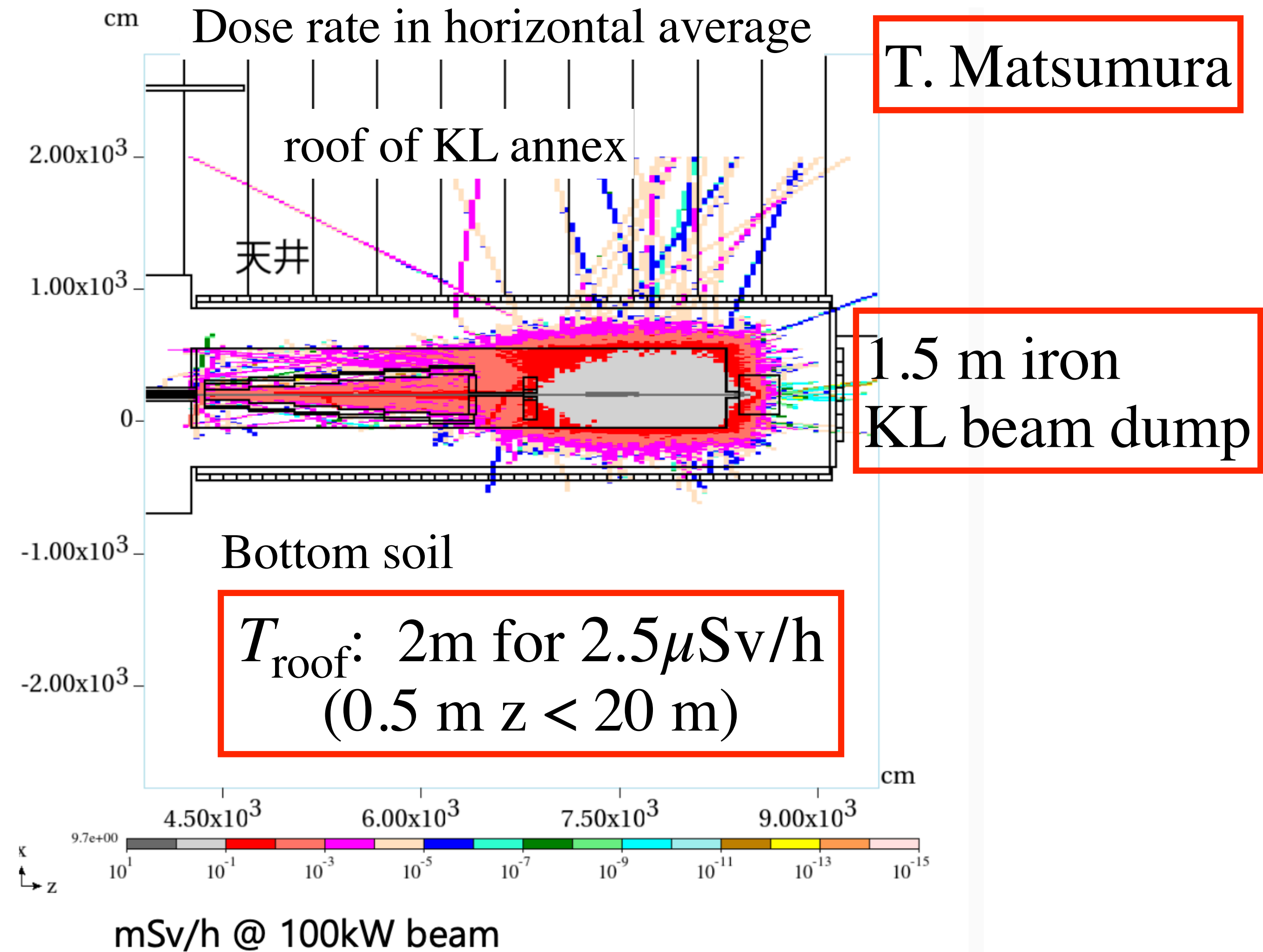
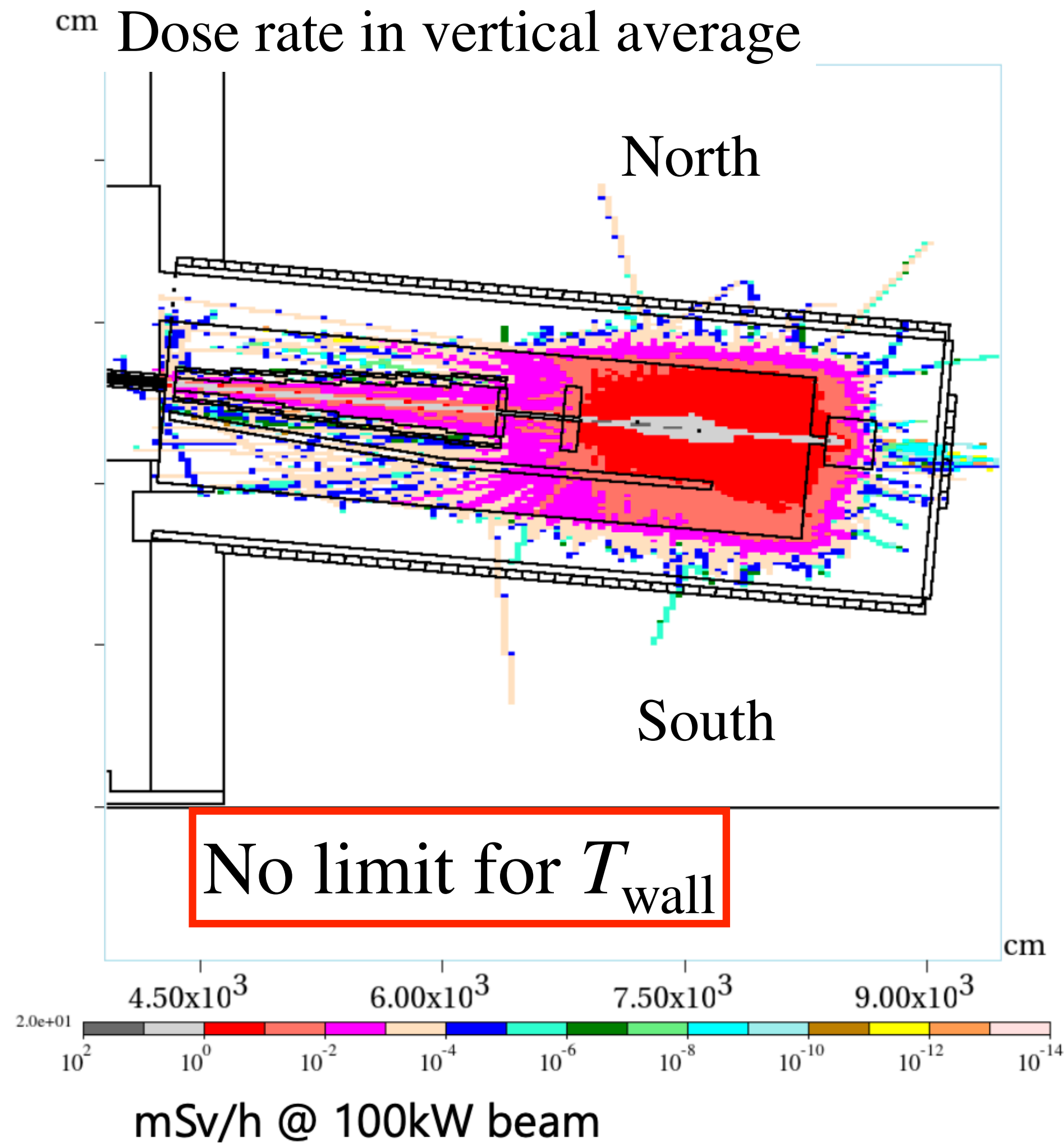
Photon incident angle resolution
 a few degree for E_γ 0.2-2 GeV

Simulation of angular resolution of new electromagnetic sampling calorimeter
 (NIMA 1052 (2023)168261)

- Considering to use it in front of main calorimeter
- Construction of prototype modules
 - Lead : 0.15-mm-thick, Scintillator: 1-mm-square scintillating fibers
 - Read out with MPPCs
 - 5-layer 14-mm-wide module : Light yield : ~ 100 p.e./MeV

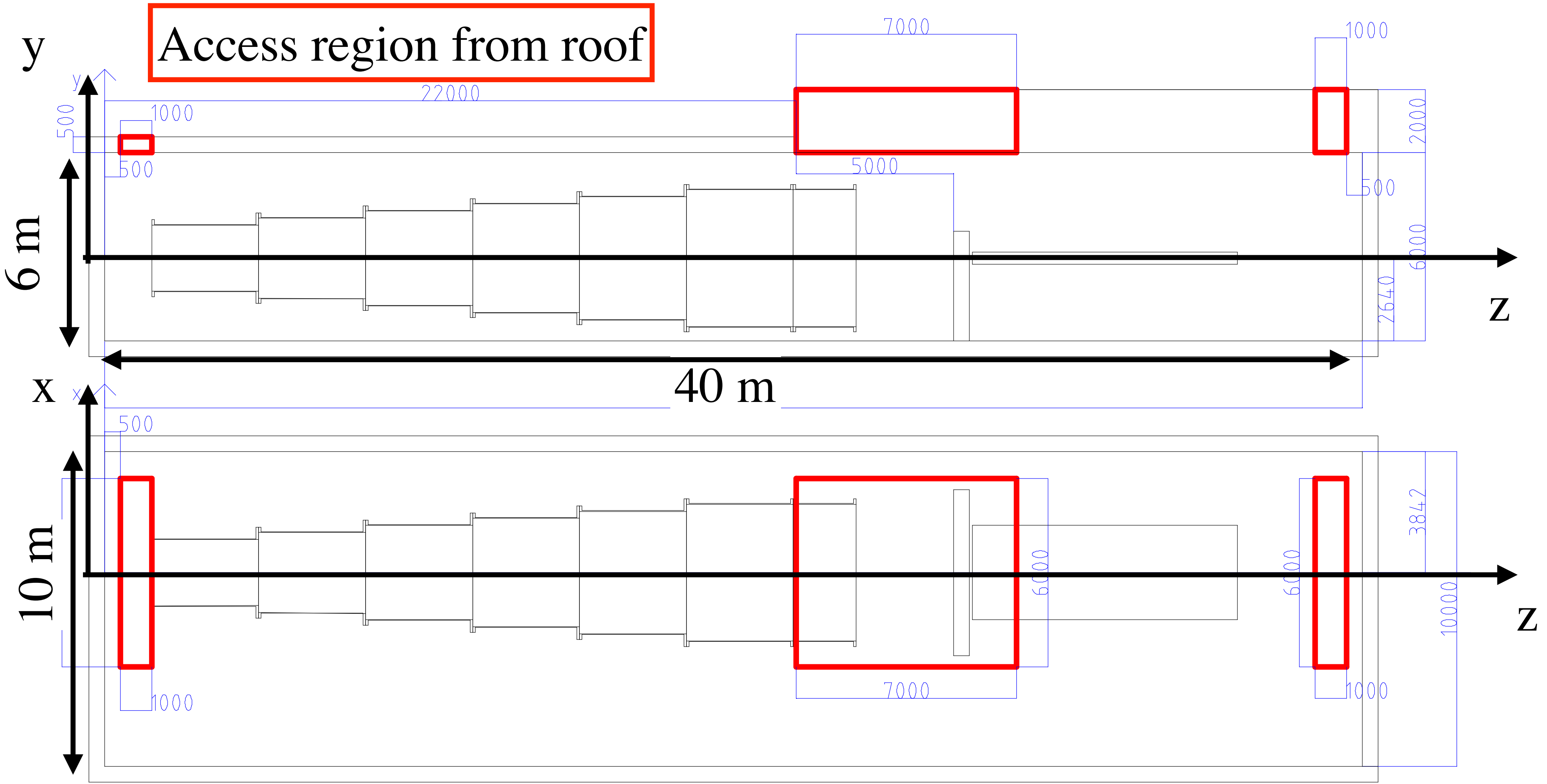


Design of KL annex — Radiation shielding —



Determined the minimum thickness of wall and roof → Realistic annex design by company

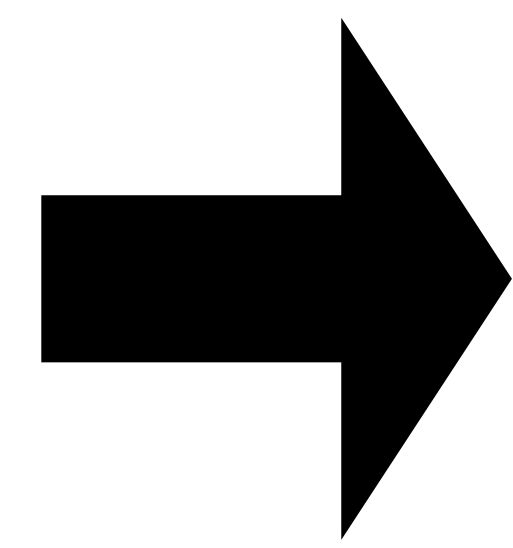
Preparation of KL Annex — Determination of roof access —



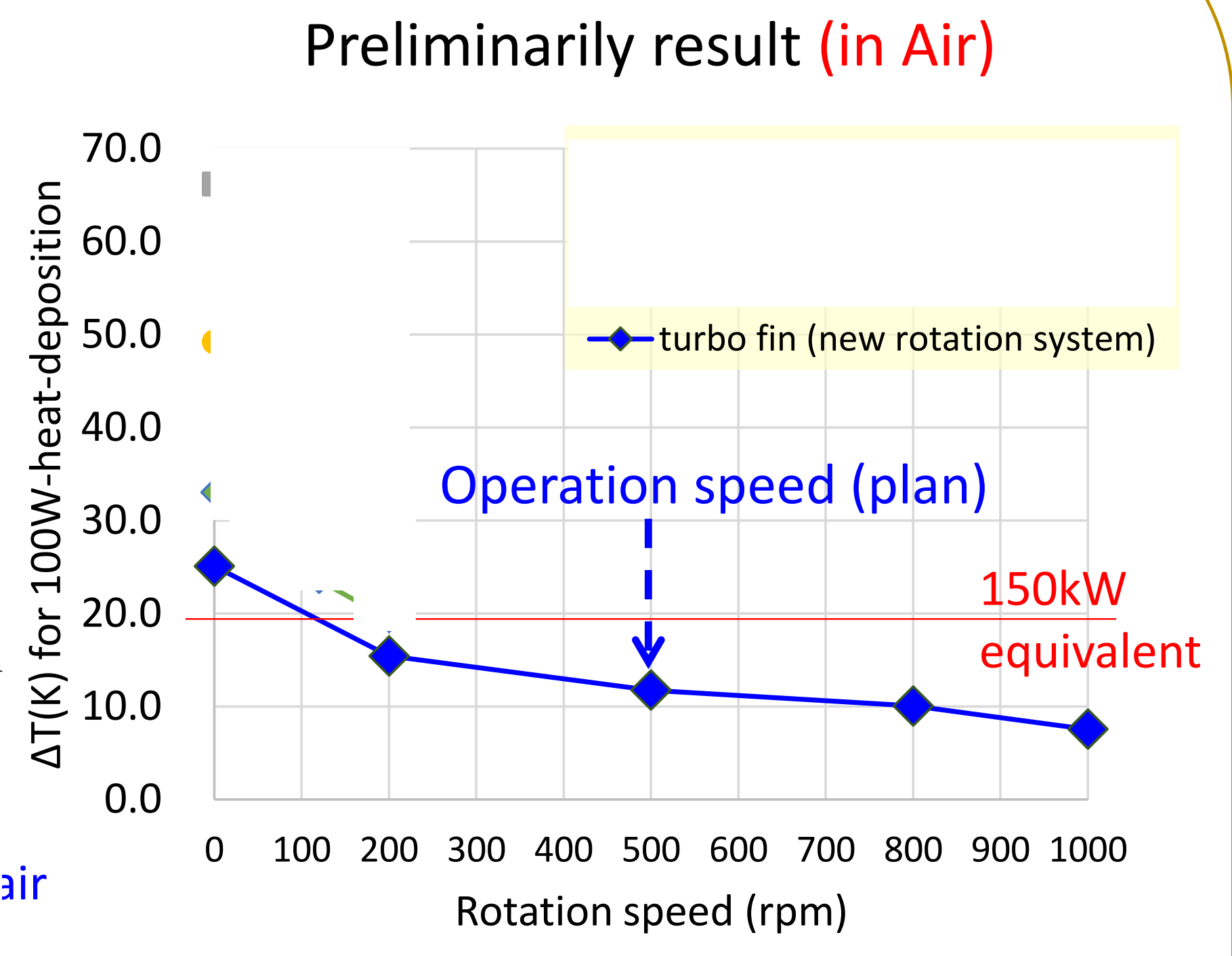
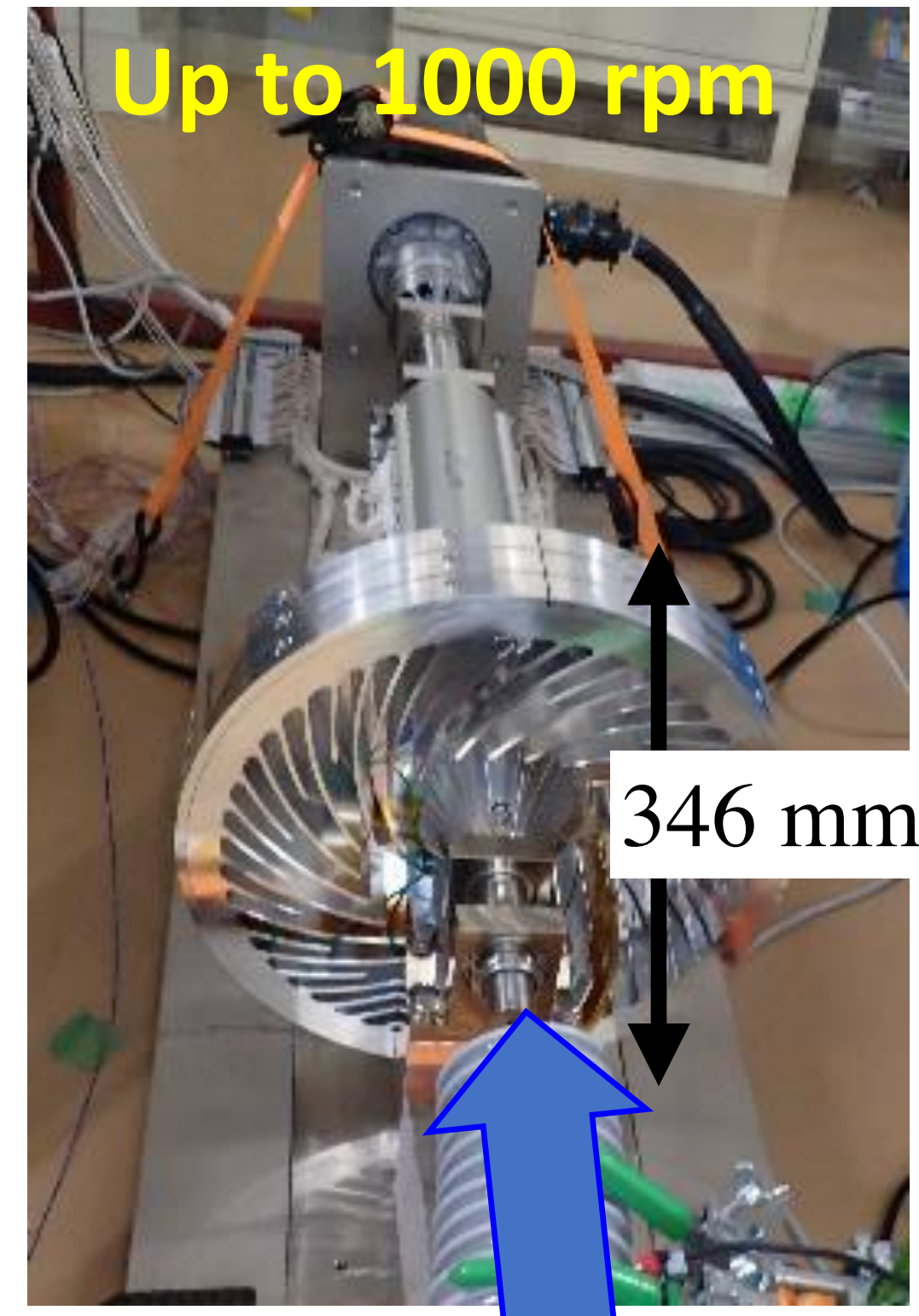
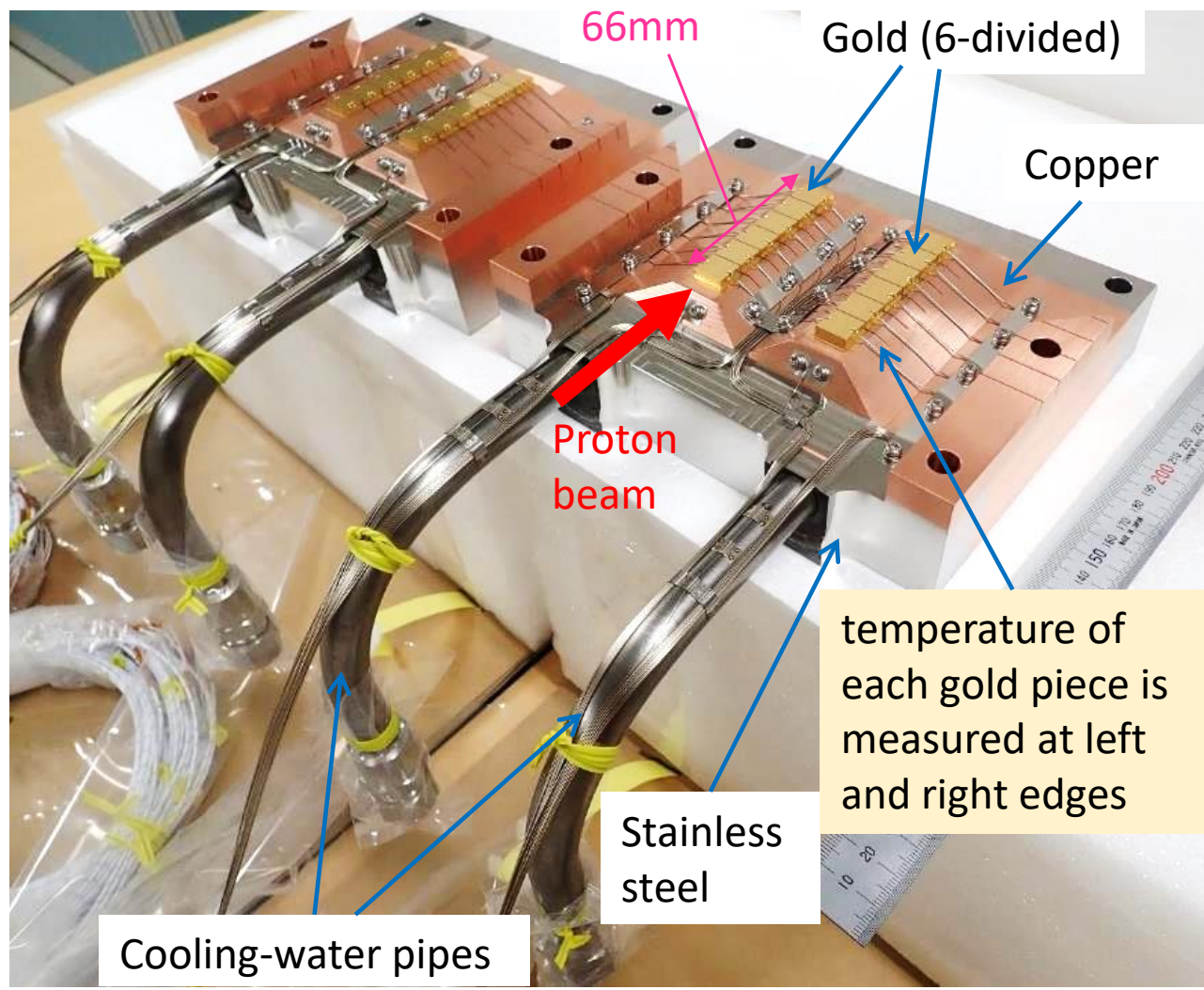
Determined the position / size of the roof open → Realistic annex design by company

Hadron hall : Proton target

Current target
 Up to 115 kW beam
 2-sec spill / 4.2-s cycle
 Gold + Cu with cooling water



New target under development
 Rotating target with turbo-fin (Cu, gas-jet drive)
 Protons hit outer region (Au, etc)



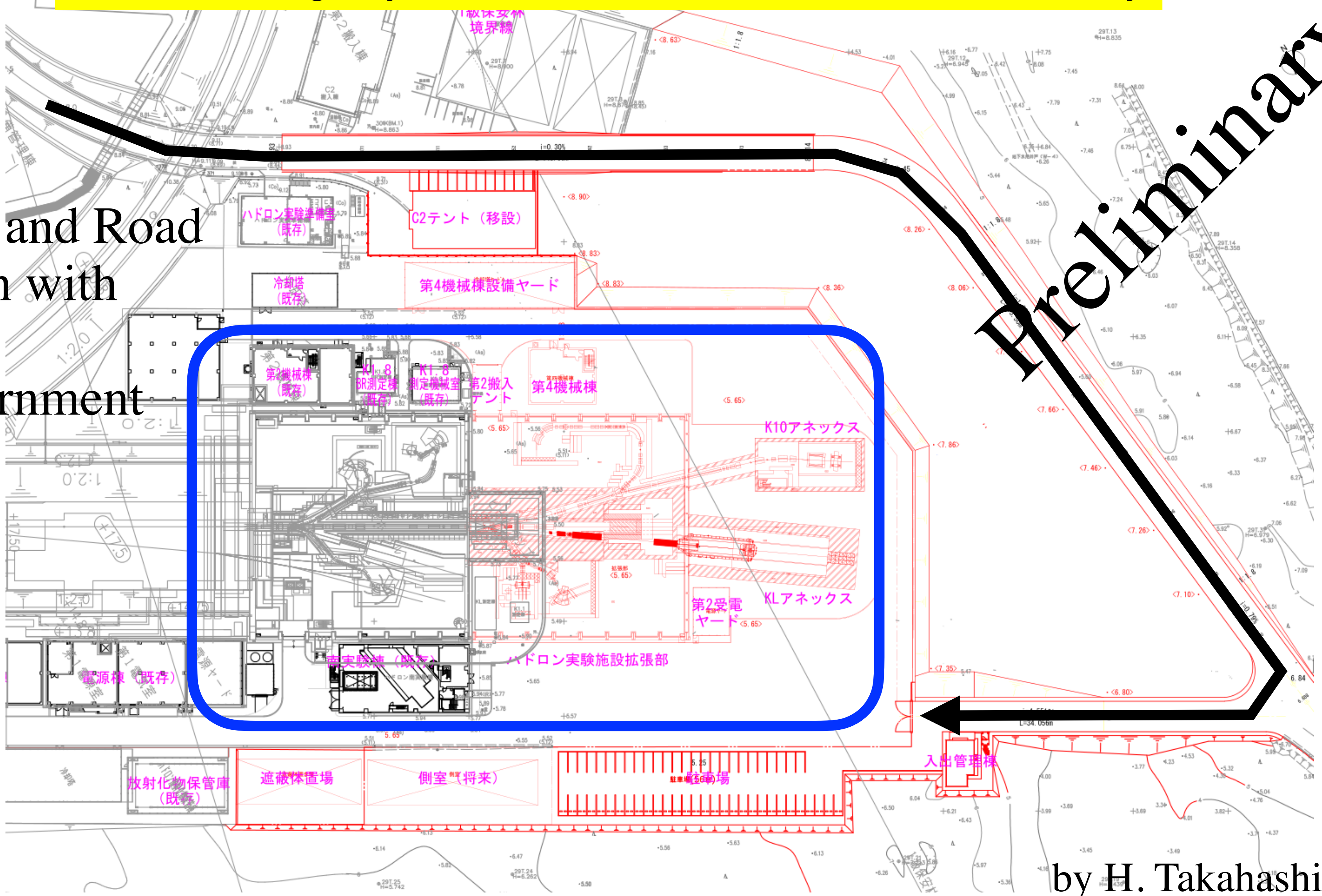
Temperature-controlled : 500 rpm → enough cooling performance
 (newly installed)
 by H. Takahashi at 3rd HEF-ex WS

Architectural and Civil Engineering Design

Realistic design by Nikken Sekkei based on site level survey

Preliminary

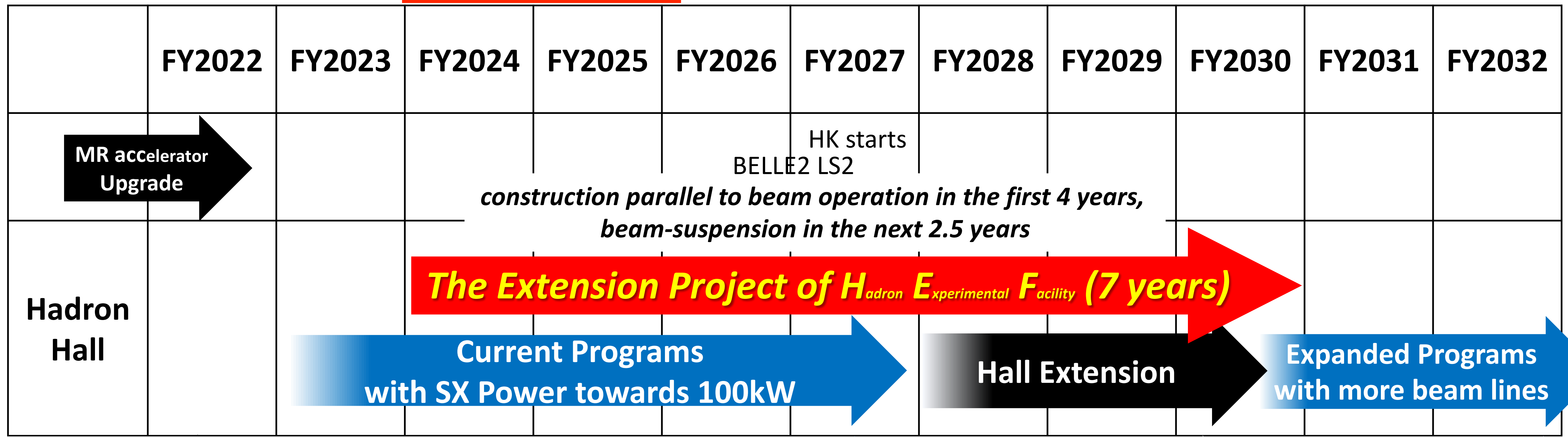
Extended hall and Road in consultation with JAEA and the local government



Time line of Hadron Experimental Facility extension

- Time line for the earliest case
 - 1st Priority to get budget on KEK PIP2020
 - Depends on the budget request (every one year)




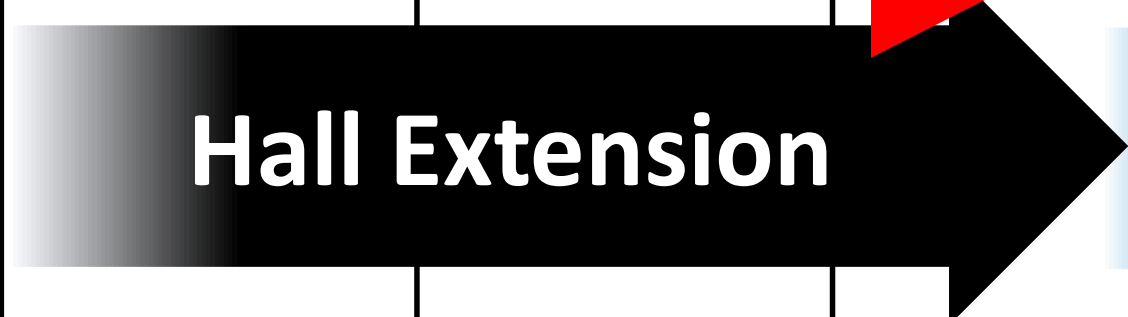
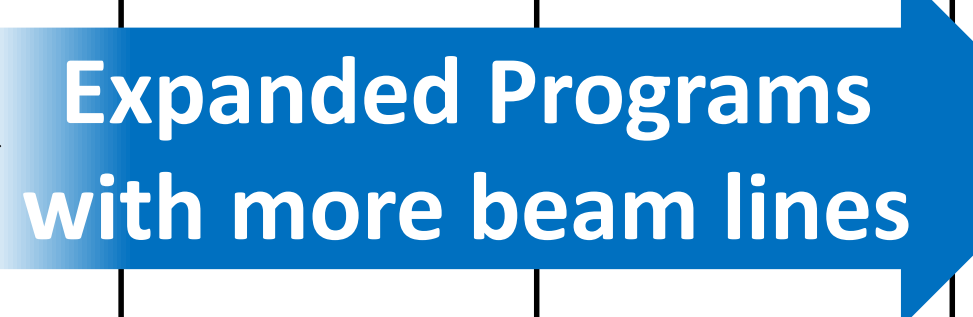
Slipped by 1 year



Phasing

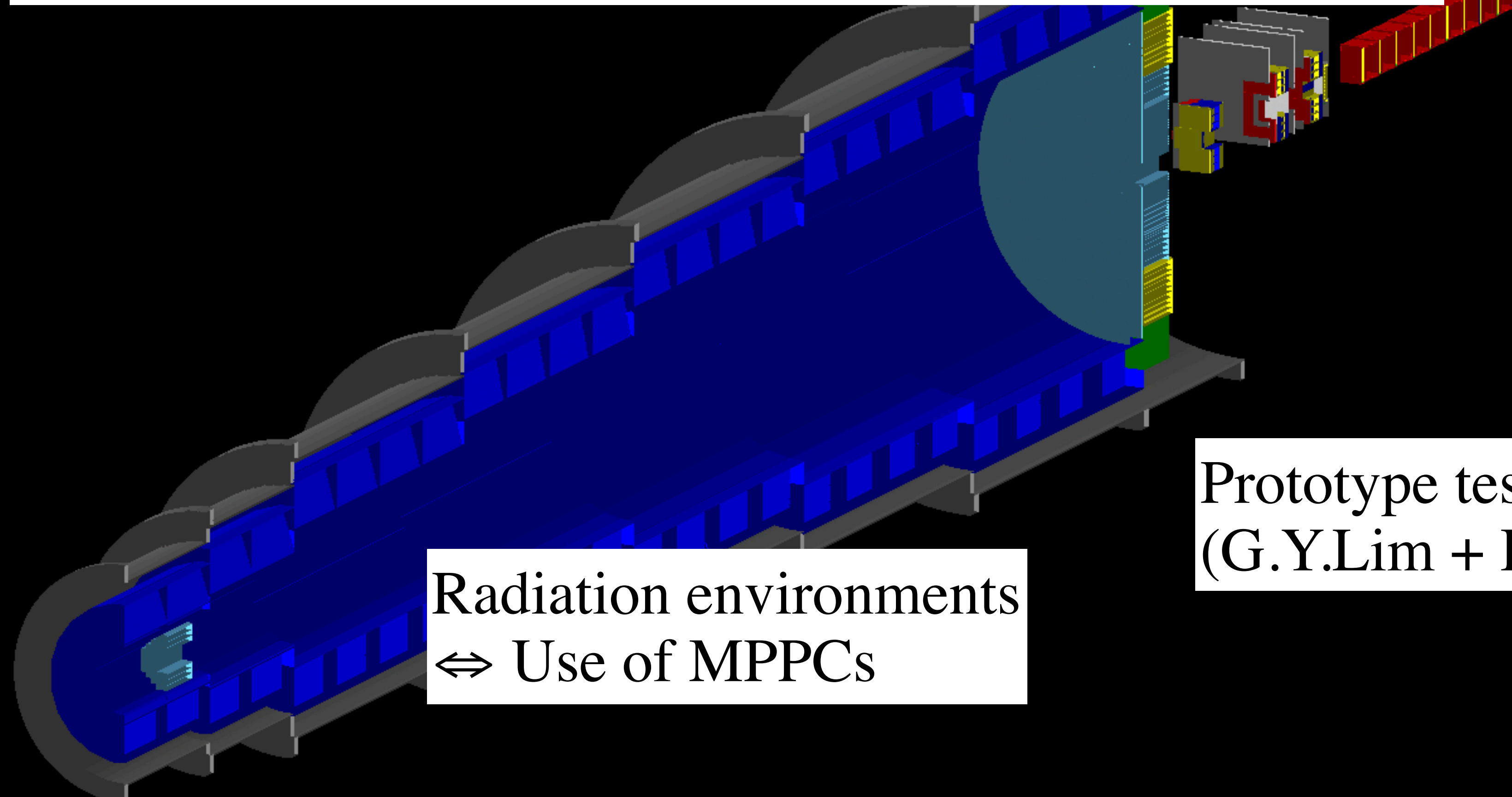
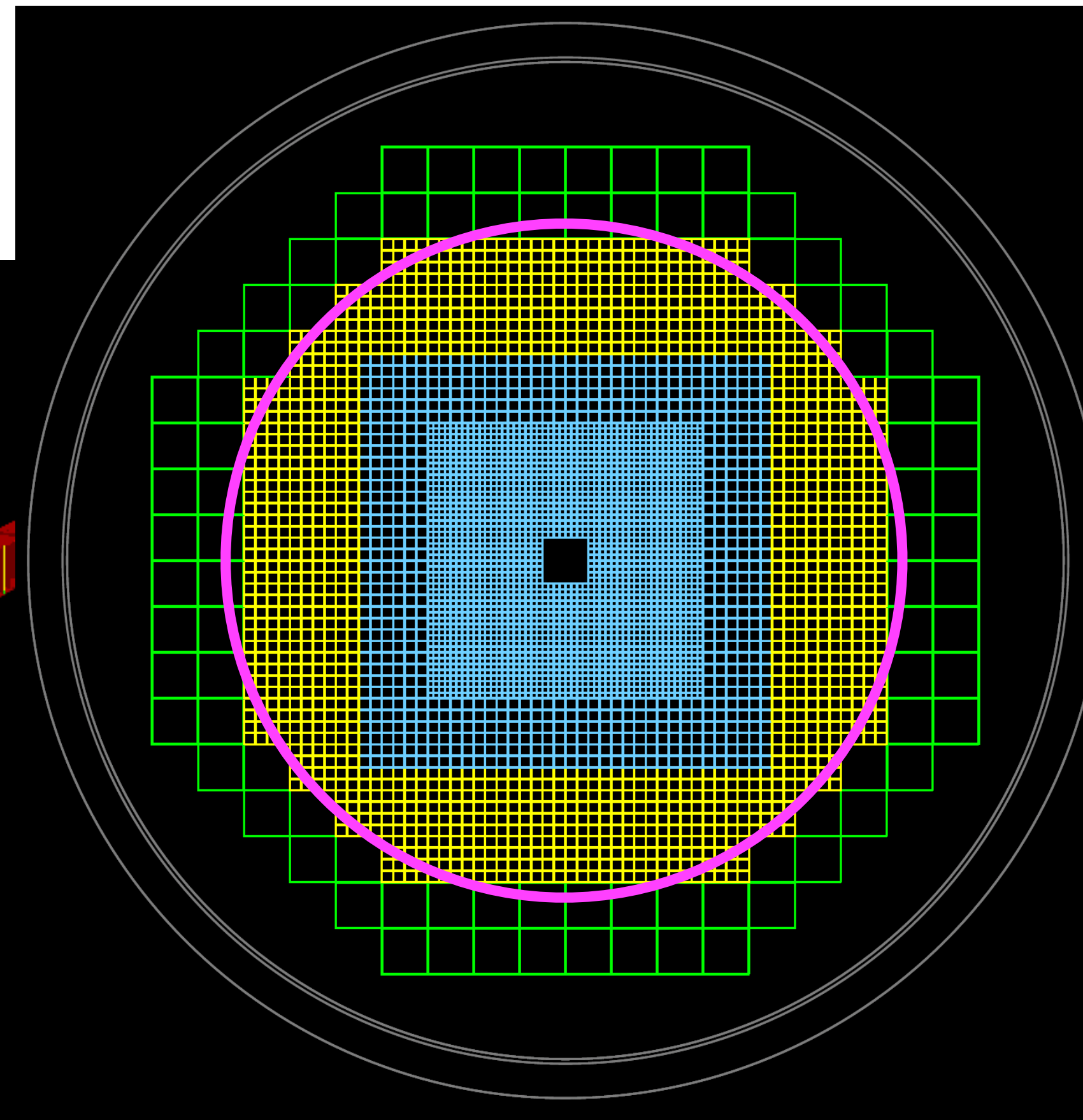
KOTO II Preparation group KOTO II collaboration

Proposal submission New design / Prototyping / Funding Construction Beam survey

| | FY2022 | FY2023 | FY2024 | FY2025 | FY2026 | FY2027 | FY2028 | FY2029 | FY2030 | FY2031 | FY2032 |
|------------------------|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| MR accelerator Upgrade |  | | | | | | | | | | |
| | <p style="text-align: center;">HK starts BELLE2 LS2</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>construction parallel to beam operation in the first 4 years, beam-suspension in the next 2.5 years</i></p> | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hadron Hall |  <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The Extension Project of Hadron Experimental Facility (7 years)</i></p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Current Programs with SX Power towards 100kW</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Hall Extension</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Expanded Programs with more beam lines</p> | | | | | | | | | | |

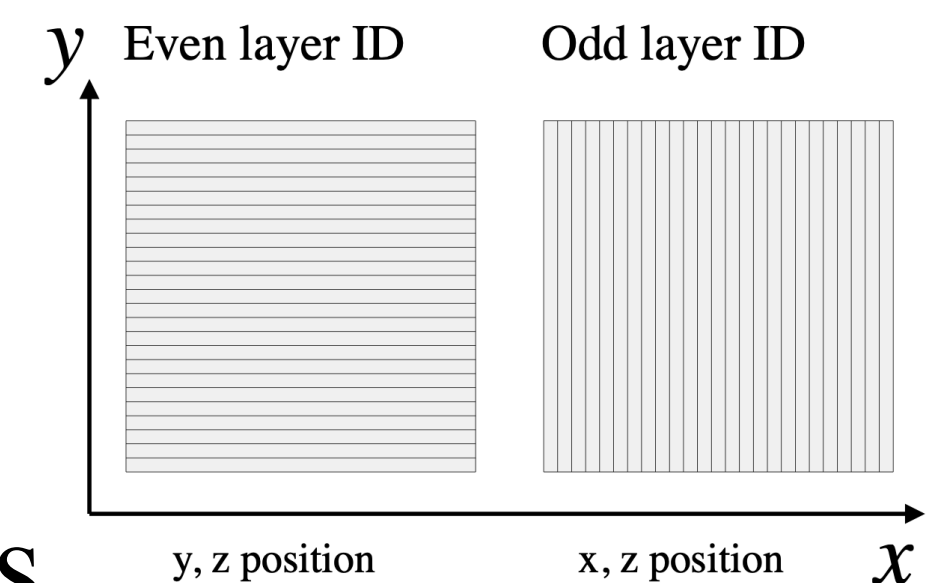
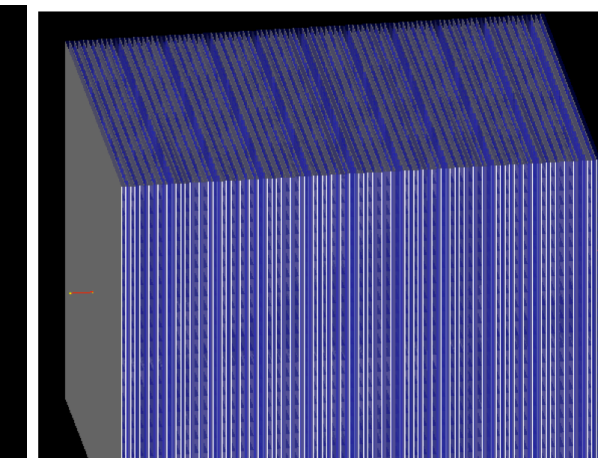
Current and future R&D items

Trial production and performance test of shashlyc counter for calorimeter candidate
Energy, timing resolutions, neutron/ γ discrimination



Prototype test of photon-angle measurement
(G.Y.Lim + Korean group)

Radiation environments
 \Leftrightarrow Use of MPPCs



read out of fibers from side with MPPCs

Current and future R&D items

Straw-chamber tracker for $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 l^+ l^-$
 → precise vertex reconstruction
 5-mm diameter, 12- μm thick foil

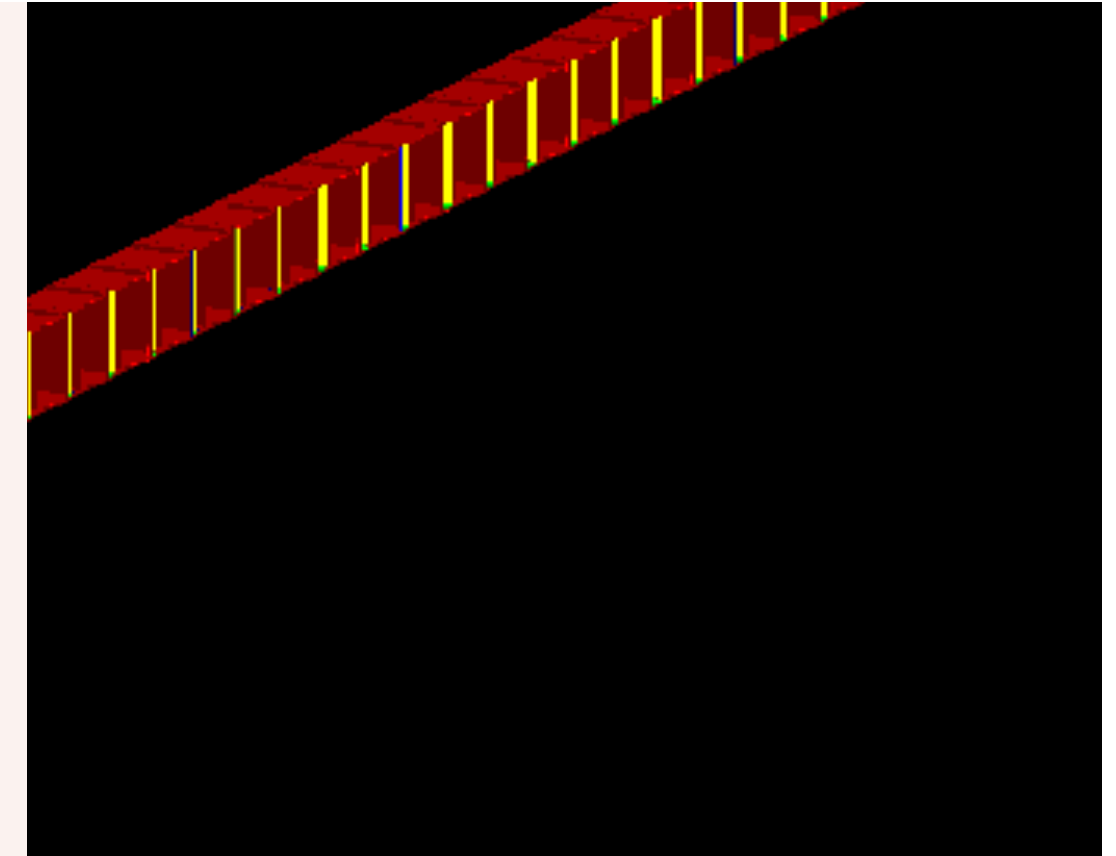
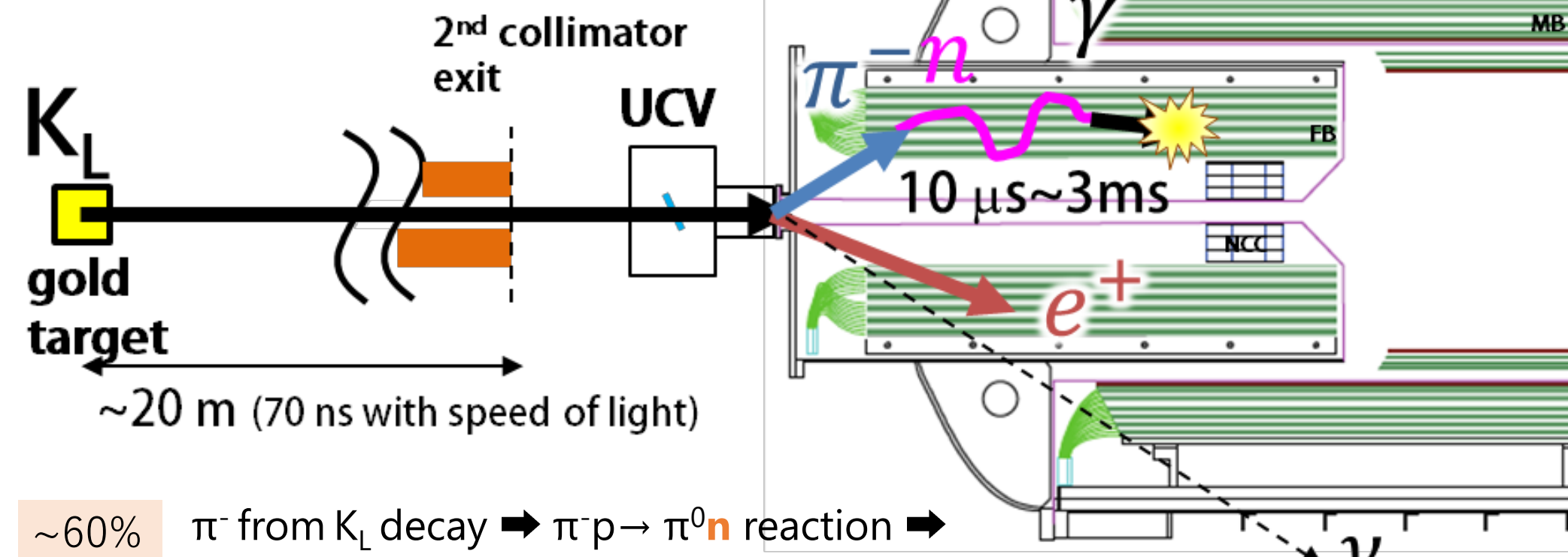
Consideration on Barrel Charged Veto

CV: 3-m diameter charged veto without any gap ($< 10^{-3}$)
 Scintillator pad? for < 300 ps resolution
 Readout with MPPCs, APDs...? \Leftrightarrow radiation damage

New scintillator
 with perovskite quantum dots
 → O(10) ps timing may be expected

Current and future R&D items

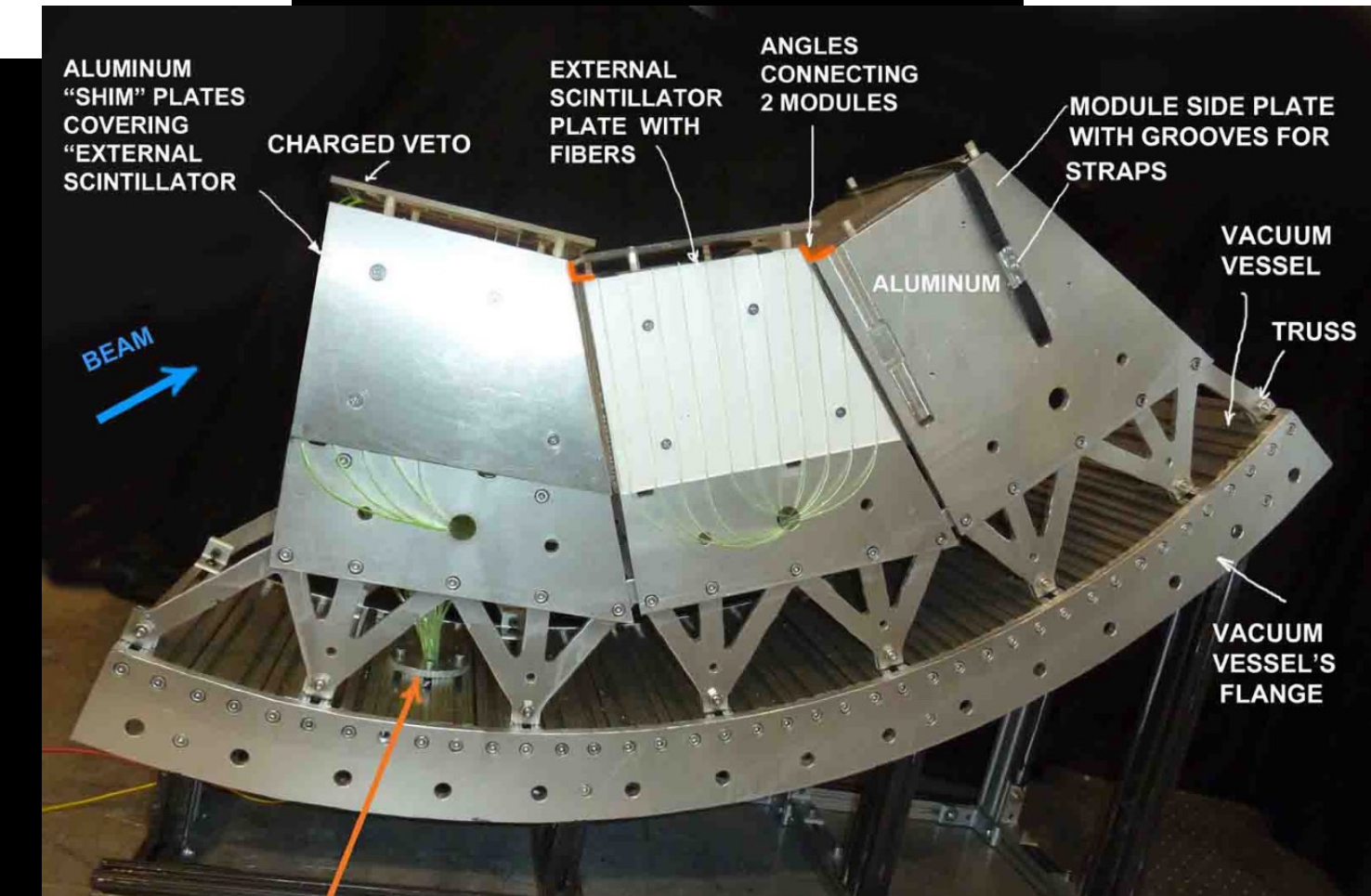
Delayed component



π^\pm hits the detector \rightarrow thermal neutron \rightarrow capture \rightarrow high counting rate
 B_4C sheet for each lead layer will reduce the detector hit rate
 \rightarrow Prepare a lead- B_4C -scintillator module \rightarrow Test at J-PARC

Design of upstream collar

Construction of 1st section

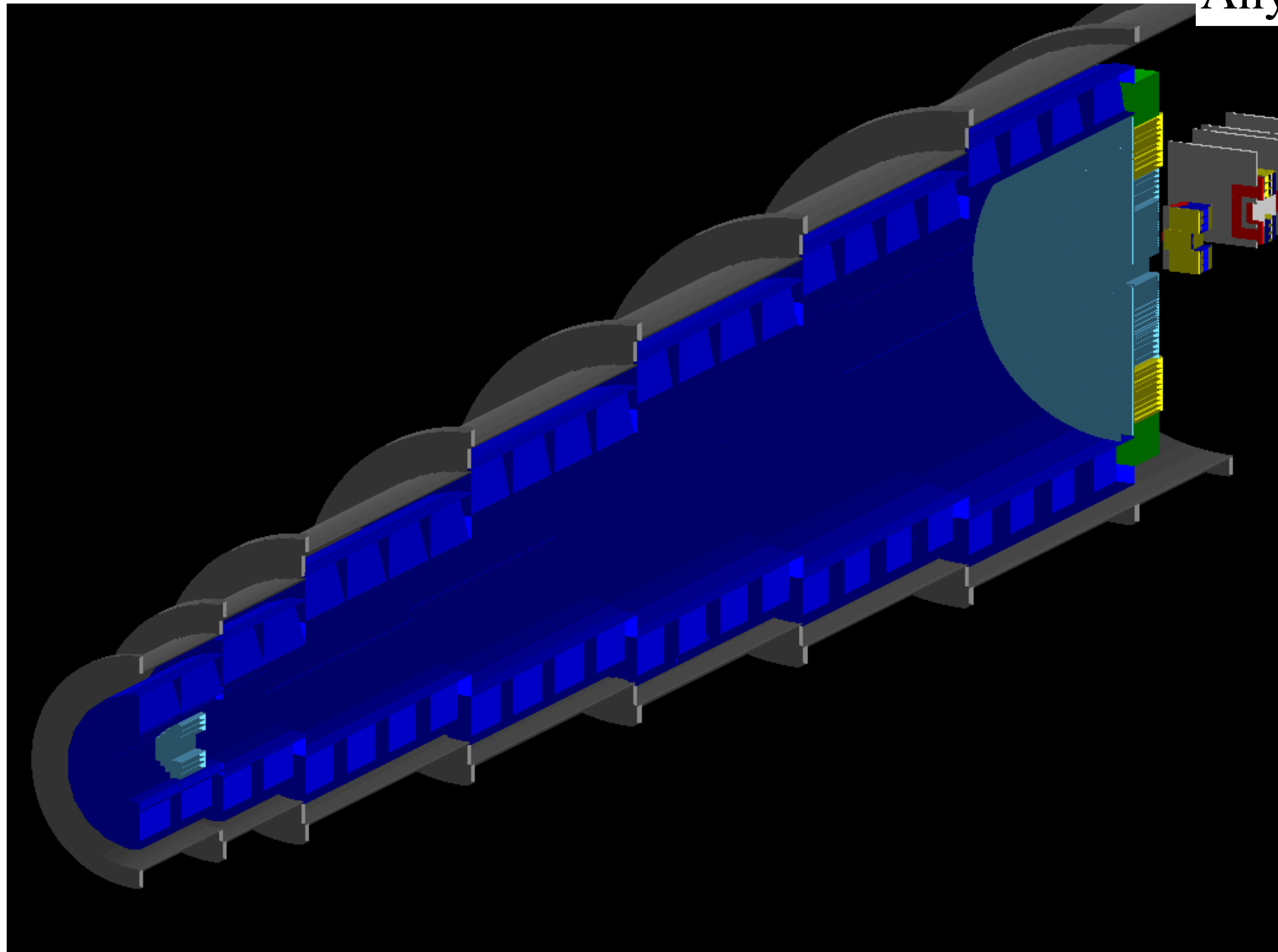


Realistic mechanical design of barrel (U of Chicago)

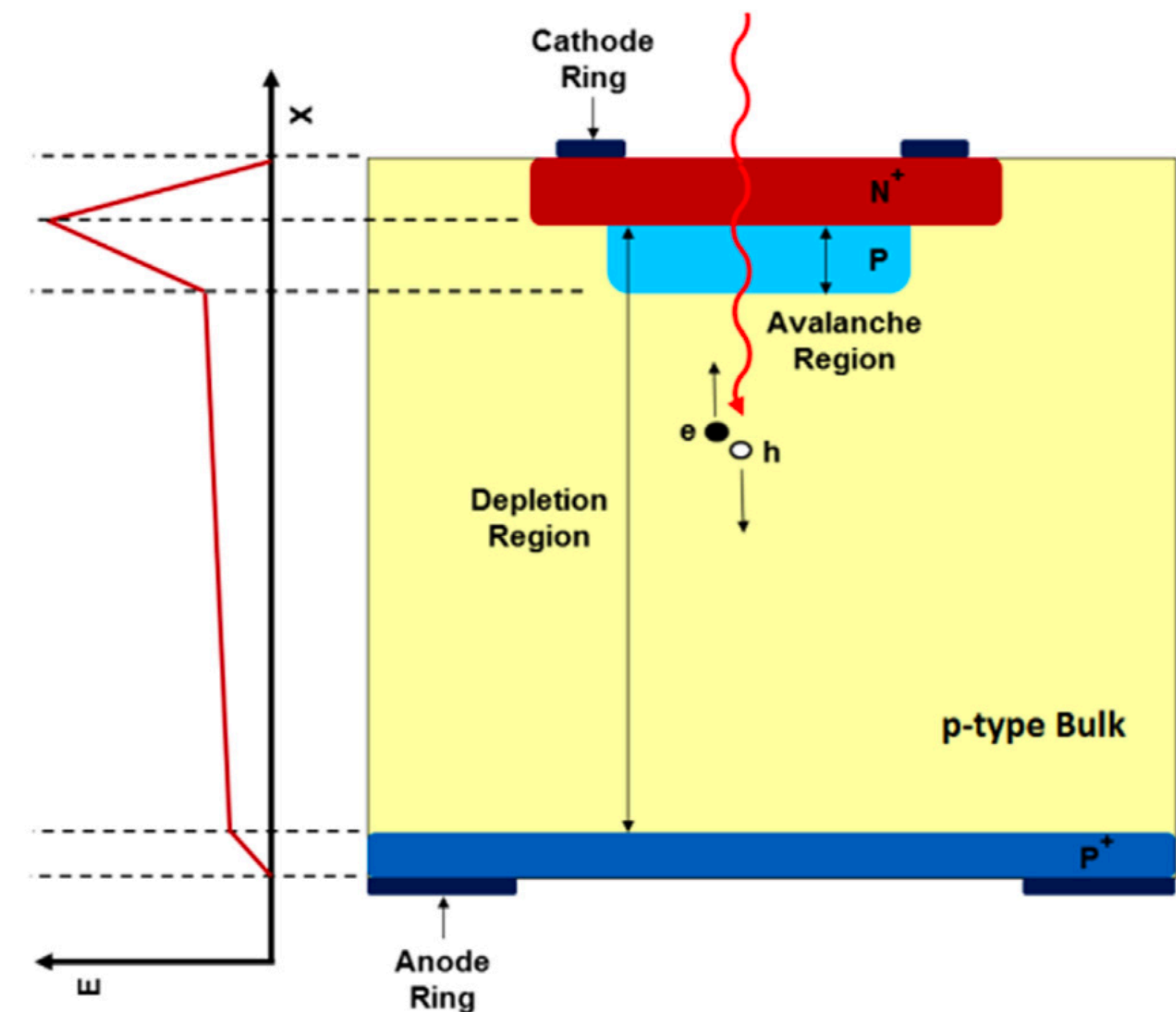
Current and future R&D items

In-beam photon veto
lead-aerogel module is considered
Any other ideas?

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In-beam charged veto
Low Gain Avalanche Diode?



More study items and more collaboration

- Korea-Japan co-research (2023-2024)
 - Dual readout calorimeter, LGAD, ... for KOTO II
- Mechanical design : will have supports from engineer group in U of Chicago.
- KEK detector R&D platform
 - Development of quantum-dot scintillator with fast timing
- Study with Full-simulation / Fast-simulation packages
 - Reduction of background using cluster shape : halo $K_L \rightarrow 2\gamma, \eta$ production in CV, ...
 - Feasibility studies for other decay modes, $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^-$, $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu^+ \mu^-$, $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 X$...
- Will prepare KOTO-II proposal in JFY2023.
 - Any suggestions, contributions are welcome.
 - More international collaboration is one of the keys.
 - Could you consider to join the KOTO-II preparation group to prepare a proposal?

Conclusion

- KOTO II at extended hadron experimental facility at J-PC will measure $\mathcal{B}(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu})$
 - Extension of Hadron Experimental Facility
→ Supported by KEK PIP 2022
 - 40 events can be observation in SM with S/B=1.1 → 6σ discovery.
 - Deviation of 38% may give 90% indication of NP.
 - Preparation toward KOTO II is on-going.
- Many challenges in the detector / analysis → many chances of contributions.
- Will prepare our proposal in JFY2024.
- You are more than welcome to join us.
- Let's make a next generation experiment!