



# Hypernuclear production by the ( $K^-,\pi^-$ ) reaction at $p_K = 1.5, 1.8 \text{ GeV}/c$

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# J-PARC E13(1<sup>st</sup>) @K1.8 beam line



## ■ Target : ${}^4\Lambda\text{He}$

### ■ $\gamma$ -ray spectroscopy of ${}^4\Lambda\text{He}$ ( $1^+ \rightarrow 0^+$ transition )

#### Charge symmetry breaking in $\Lambda\text{N}$ interaction

Difference of ground state spin doublets ( $1^+, 0^+$ ) spacing  
is unexpectedly large in mirror hypernuclei (  ${}^4\Lambda\text{H}$ ,  ${}^4\Lambda\text{He}$  )

→ Recheck with high precision and statistics

### ■ Missing mass spectroscopy of ${}^4\Sigma\text{He}$

#### Study of $\Sigma$ hypernuclei

The first measurement in high momentum transfer condition

## ■ Target : ${}^{19}\Lambda\text{F}$

### ■ $\gamma$ -ray spectroscopy of ${}^{19}\Lambda\text{F}$

#### Study of spin-dependent $\Lambda\text{N}$ interaction (in sd-shell)

The first  $\gamma$ -ray spectroscopy experiment in sd-shell hypernuclei

Energy spacing between ground state spin doublets

→ Strength of spin-spin interaction

# Experimental setup

Use high intensity K- beam delivered from J-PARC K1.8 beam line

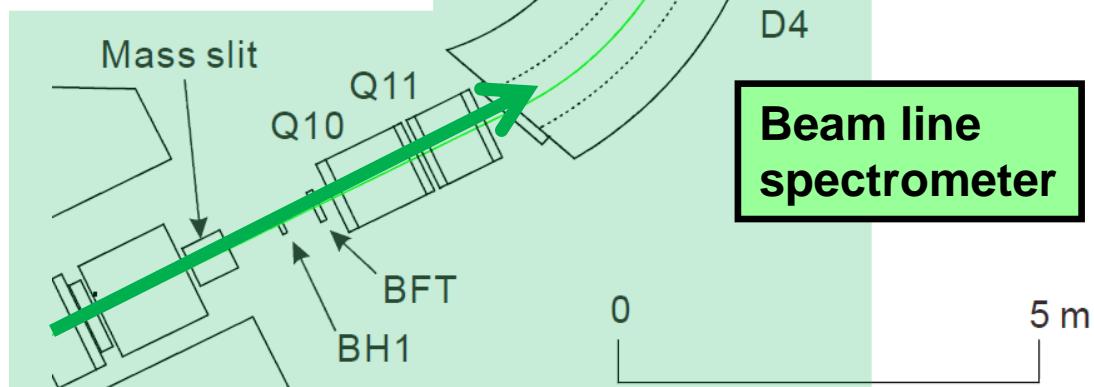
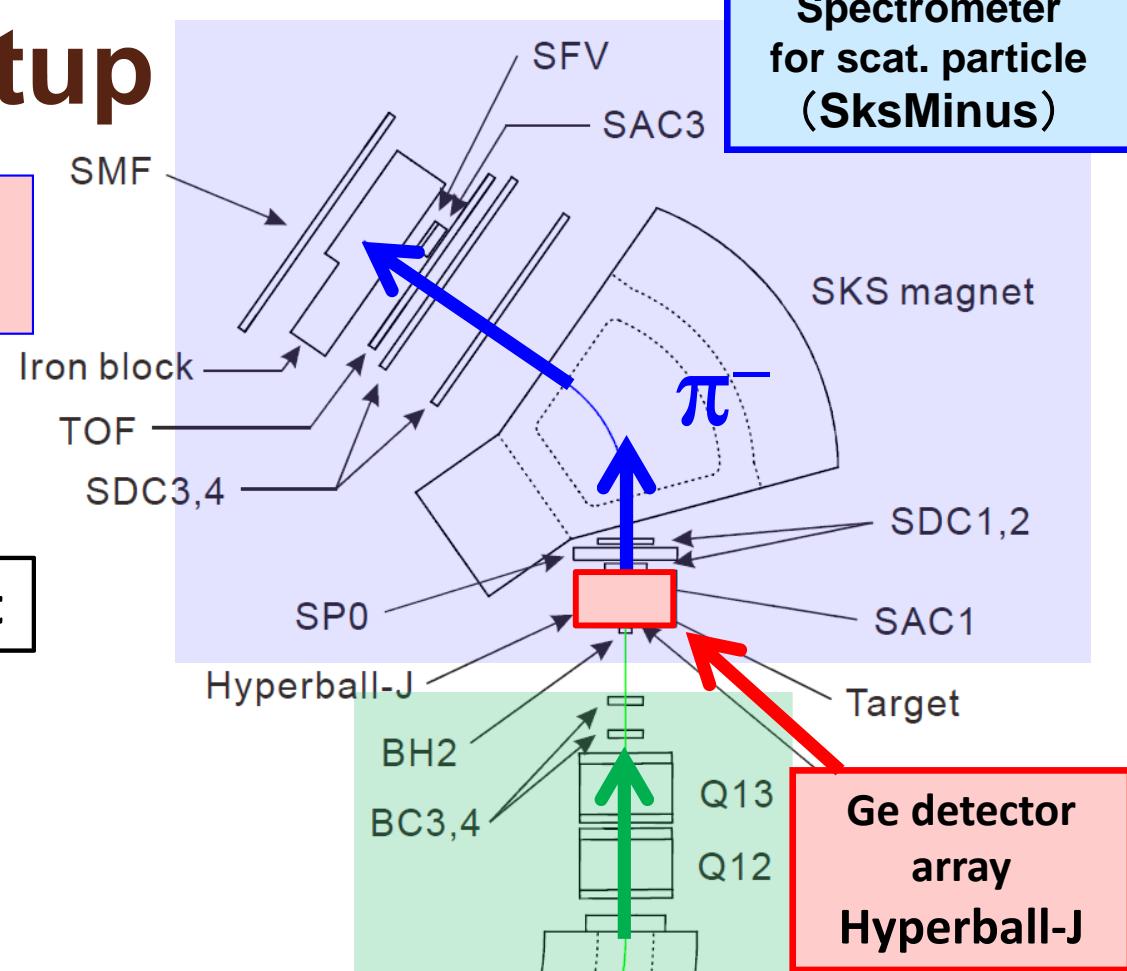


reaction- $\gamma$  coincidence experiment

- Tag hypernuclear production
  - Beam line spectrometer
  - SksMinus spectrometer
- Detect  $\gamma$  ray from hypernuclei
  - Hyperball-J

${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$  : liq.He terget ( $2.5 \text{ g/cm}^2$ )  
 $p_K = 1.5 \text{ GeV/c}$

${}^{19}_{\Lambda}\text{F}$  : HF target ( $20 \text{ g/cm}^2$ )  
 $p_K = 1.8 \text{ GeV/c}$



Spectrometer  
for scat. particle  
(SksMinus)

Ge detector  
array  
Hyperball-J

Beam line  
spectrometer

# Hyperball-J new Ge detector array

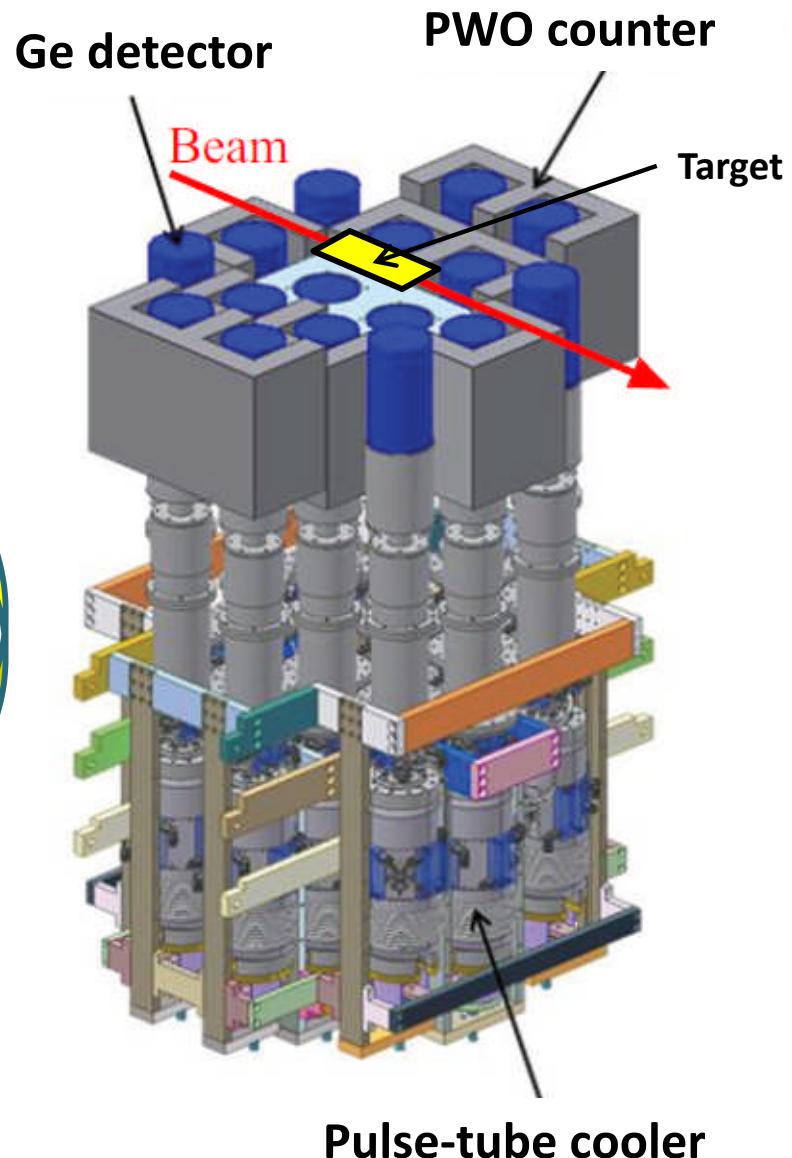


## Features

- ◆ Large photo-peak efficiency  
→  $\epsilon \sim 6\%$  @1 MeV with 32 Ge detectors
- ◆ Fast readout system T. Koike
- ◆ Radiation-hard Ge detector  
→ Mechanical cooling
- ◆ Fast background suppressor  
→ PWO counter

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## Lower half of Hyperball-J



## J-PARC conditions

- high count and energy deposit rate
- radiation damage due to hadron beam

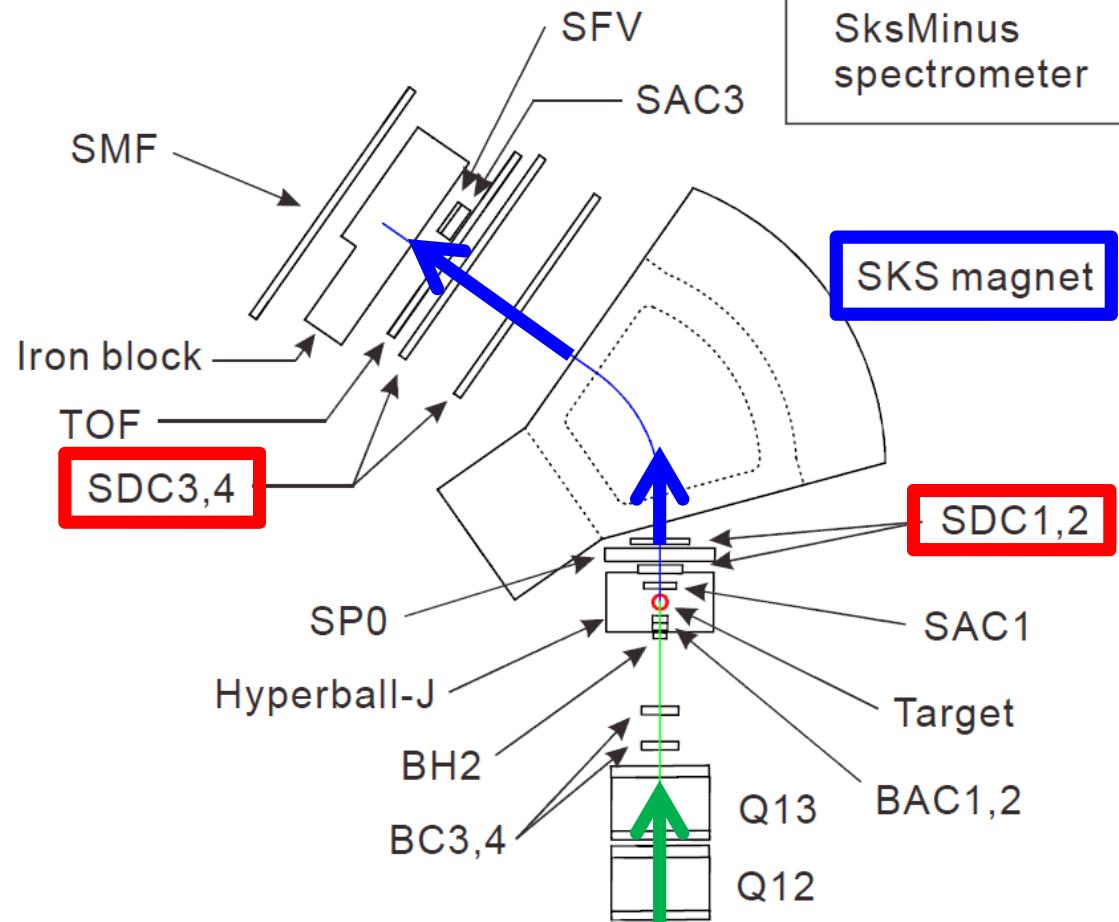
# SkSMinus

## Spectrometer for the ( $K,\pi$ ) reaction

### <Functions>

#### Momentum analysis

- SKS magnet (2.5 T)
- Drift chambers
- SDC 1 – 4



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the ( $K, \pi$ ) reaction

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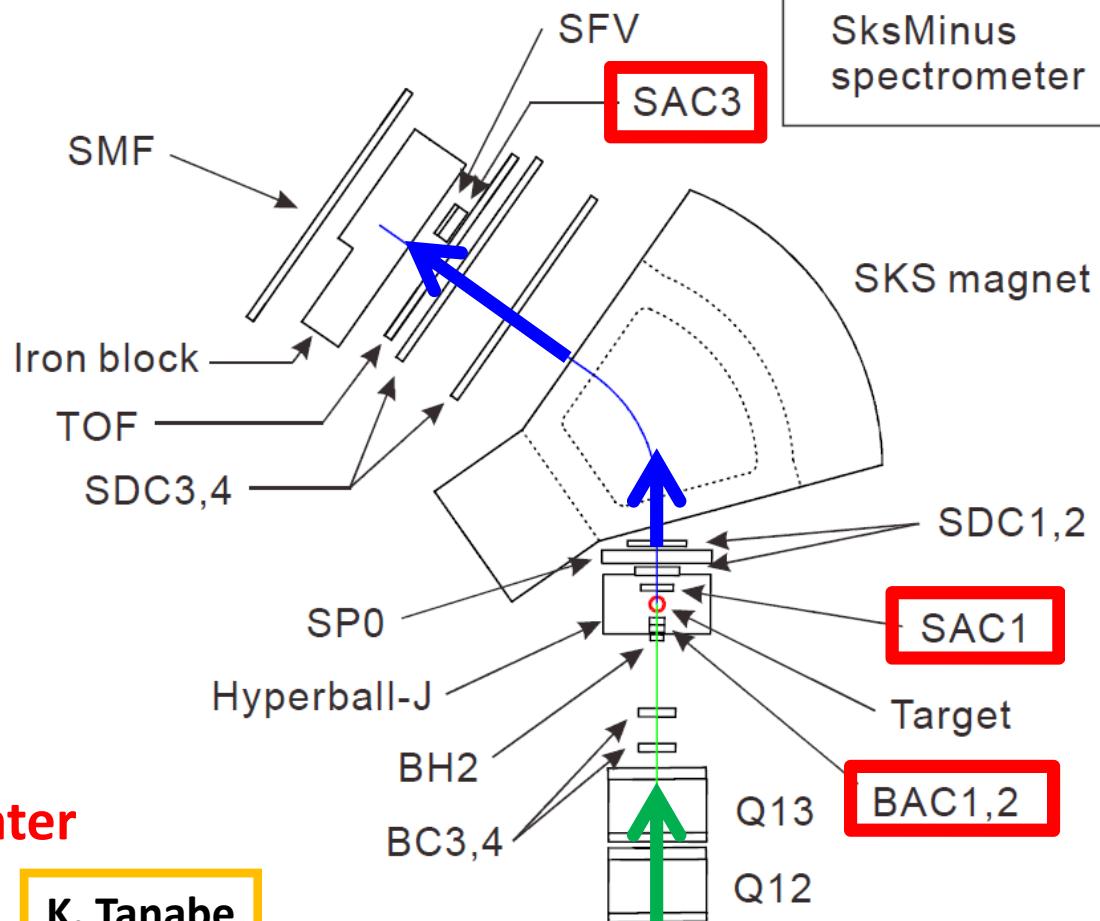
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### PID ( $\pi/K$ )

- Timing counter  
[ for time-of-flight ]
- BH2, TOF, SFV
- Aerogel Cherenkov counter  
[ for trigger ]
- BAC1,2, SAC1, SAC3

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SkSMinus  
spectrometer

Bending angle : 55 deg.  
( for 1.5 GeV/c )  
Path length : 5 m

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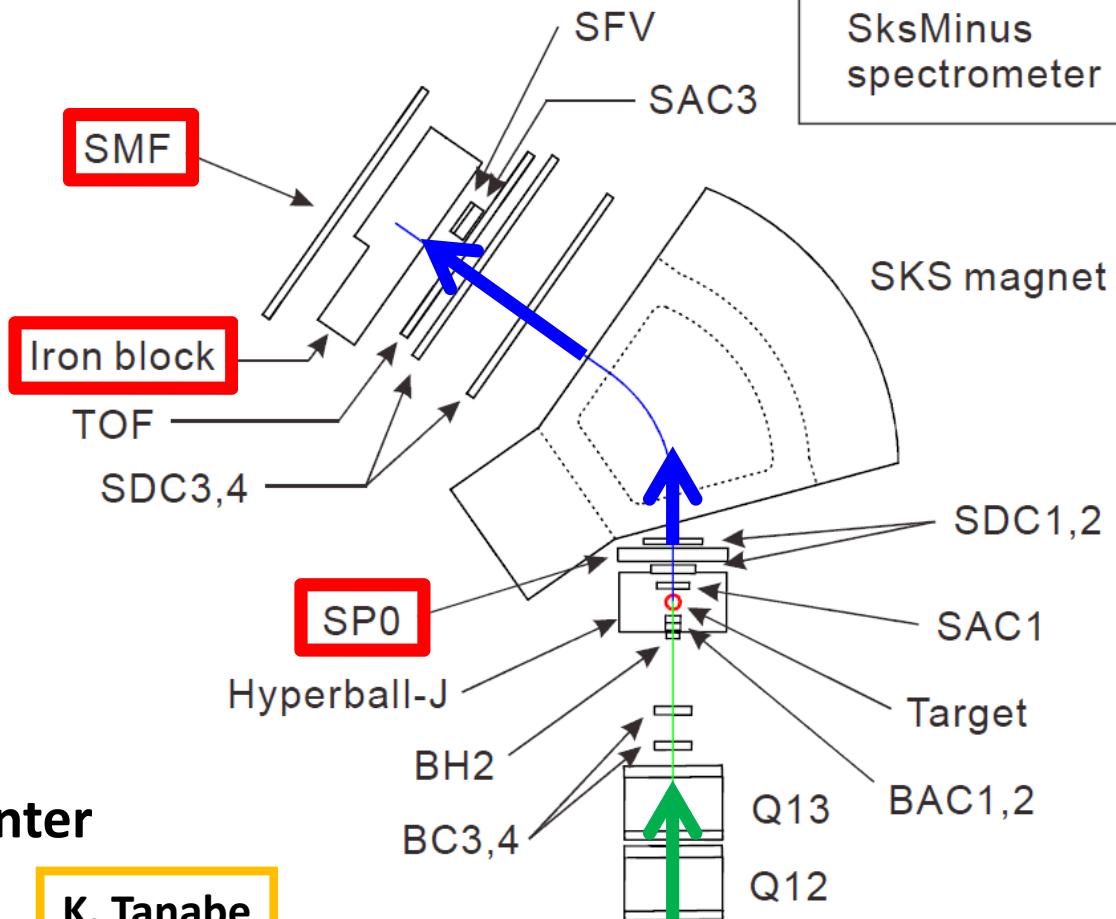
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#### K beam decay suppressor

- $K^- \rightarrow \mu^- + \nu$  (BR:64%) ← SMF
- $K^- \rightarrow \pi^- + \pi^0$  (BR:21%) ← SP0



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# Acceptance of SksMinus

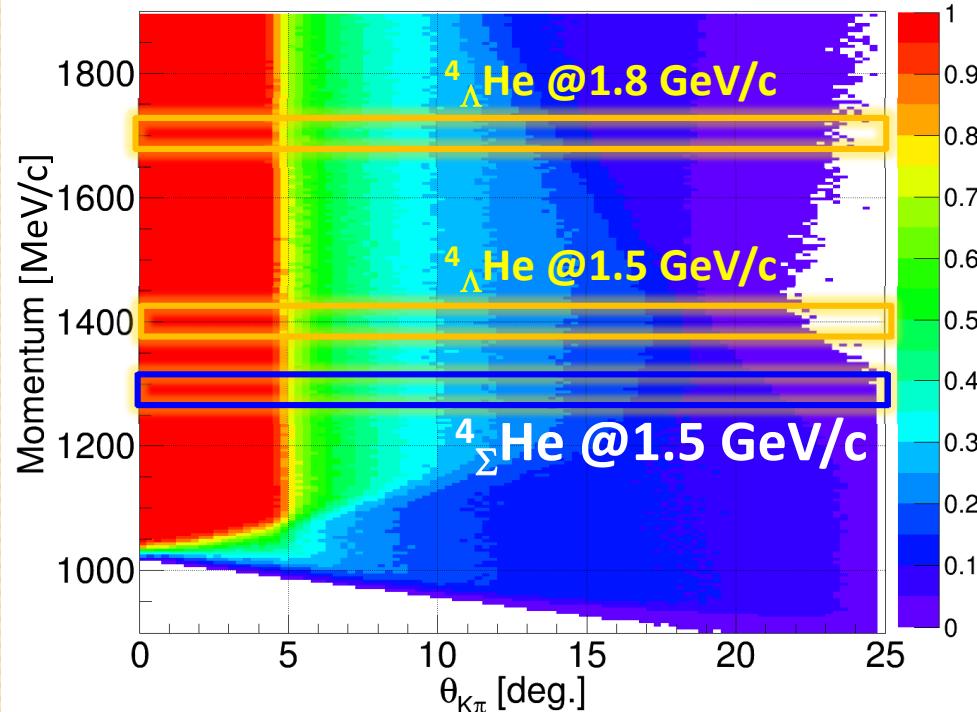
- wide momentum acceptance :  **$1.1 \sim 2.0 \text{ GeV}/c$**
- wide angular acceptance :  **$0 \sim 20 \text{ deg.}$**



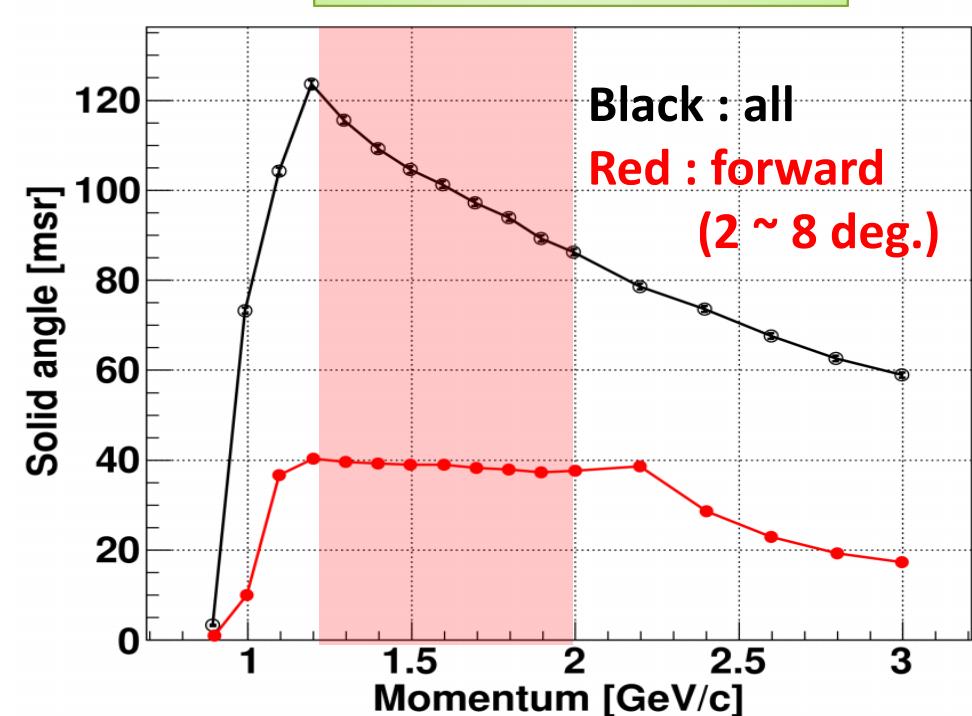
**Optimal positioning of the magnet**  
**Use of large size detectors**

$\Sigma$  hypernuclear spectroscopy  
 can be performed with the same setup

Acceptance table



Solid angle vs  $P_{\text{scat.}}$



# Preparation and commissioning

2012.8      **Install Hyperball-J**

2012.12     E10 @K1.8 [  ${}^6\text{Li}(\pi^-, \text{K}^+) {}^6\Lambda \text{H}$  ]

2013.1      **Install SksMinus spectrometer**

2013.3      **Commissioning beam time 1 (3/8~3/17)**

- Check SksMinus system

2013.4      **Commissioning beam time 2 (4/28~5/2)**

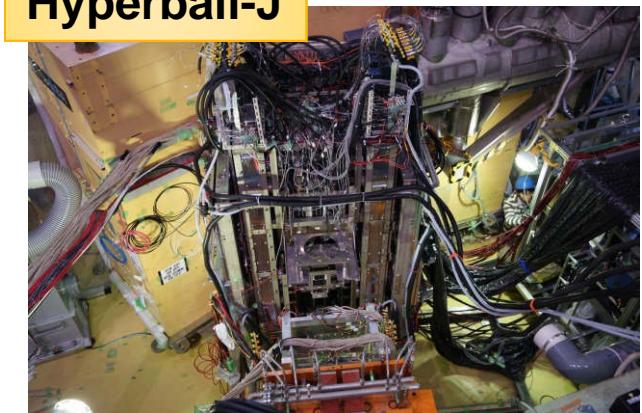
- K<sup>-</sup> beam tuning
- Check Hyperball-J system

2013.5      **Commissioning beam time 3 (5/13~5/18)**

- **CH<sub>2</sub> Target (2.9 g/cm<sup>2</sup>)** {
  - Check performance of SksMinus
  - Reaction spectroscopy of  $\Sigma^+$ ,  ${}^{12}\Lambda \text{C}$
}

- **CF<sub>2</sub> Target (20 g/cm<sup>2</sup>)** {
  - Check performance of SksMinus
  - Check performance of Hyperball-J
}

**Hyperball-J**



**SksMinus(downstream)**



**New data**

# Hypernuclear production via the ( $K^-$ , $\pi^-$ ) reaction at $p_K=1.5$ , $1.8$ GeV/c

- $\Sigma^+$  cross section
- $^{12}_{\Lambda}C$  cross section
- Yield estimation for  $^{19}_{\Lambda}F$

# Strategy

**Yield estimation of  $^{19}_{\Lambda}F$  done before commissioning  
was not based on realistic conditions.**

**Goal:** Yield estimation of  $^{19}_{\Lambda}F$   
considering realistic conditions and cross section of  $^{12}_{\Lambda}C$

## < Procedure >

(1) Analysis of  $\text{CH}_2$  target data (  $p_K = 1.5 \text{ & } 1.8 \text{ GeV}/c$  )

(1-1) Differential cross section of  $\Sigma^+$  New data  
→ compare with calculation  
to check spectrometer system.

(1-2) Differential cross section of  $^{12}_{\Lambda}C$  ( $s_{\Lambda}$ -state) New data  
→ relative cross section for  $p_K = 1.5 \text{ & } 1.8 \text{ GeV}/c$

(2) Yield estimation of  $^{19}_{\Lambda}F$

-> Select beam momentum ( 1.5 or 1.8 GeV/c )

# Data set

Calibration data taken in commissioning beam time (May, 2013)

- Target : CH<sub>2</sub> (2.9 g/cm<sup>2</sup>)
- Beam condition : K-beam rate = ~300k /spill ( K/all = ~75% )
- Trigger : (K, $\pi$ ) trigger w/ SMF

Ge detector not included in trigger

$\langle p_K = 1.5 \text{ GeV}/c \rangle$

~5h data taking → total K- beam on target : ~1.0G

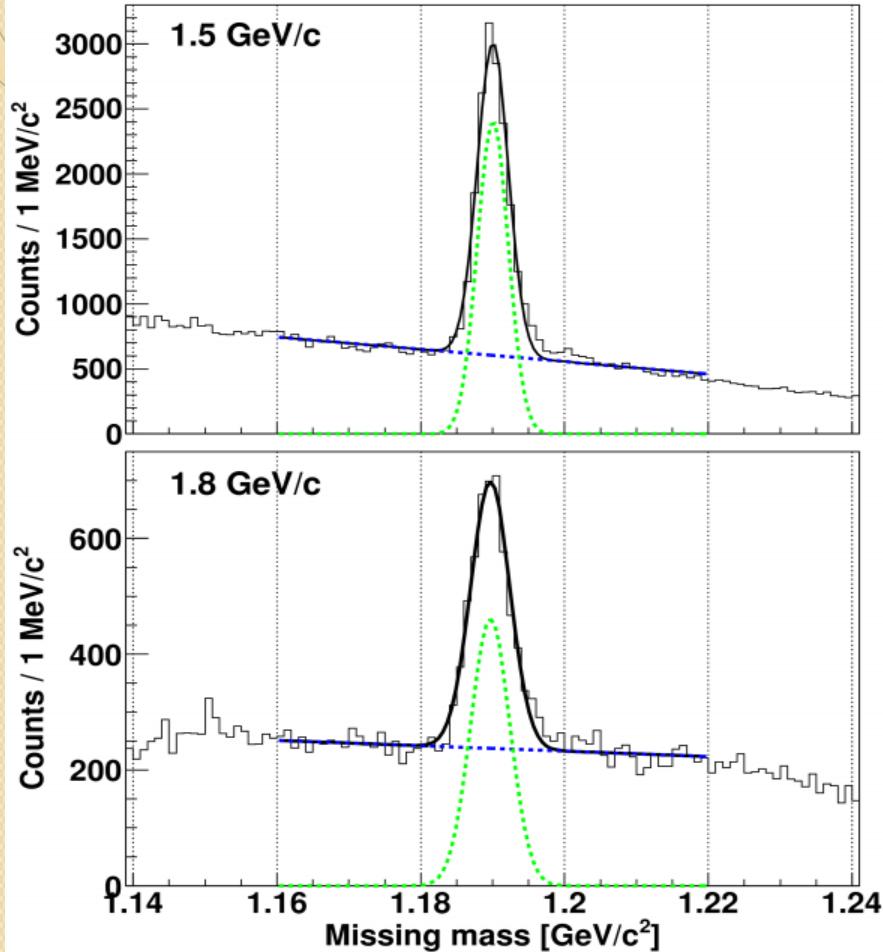
$\langle p_K = 1.8 \text{ GeV}/c \rangle$

~3h data taking → total K- beam on target : ~0.5G

Enough statistics to obtain shape of differential cross section

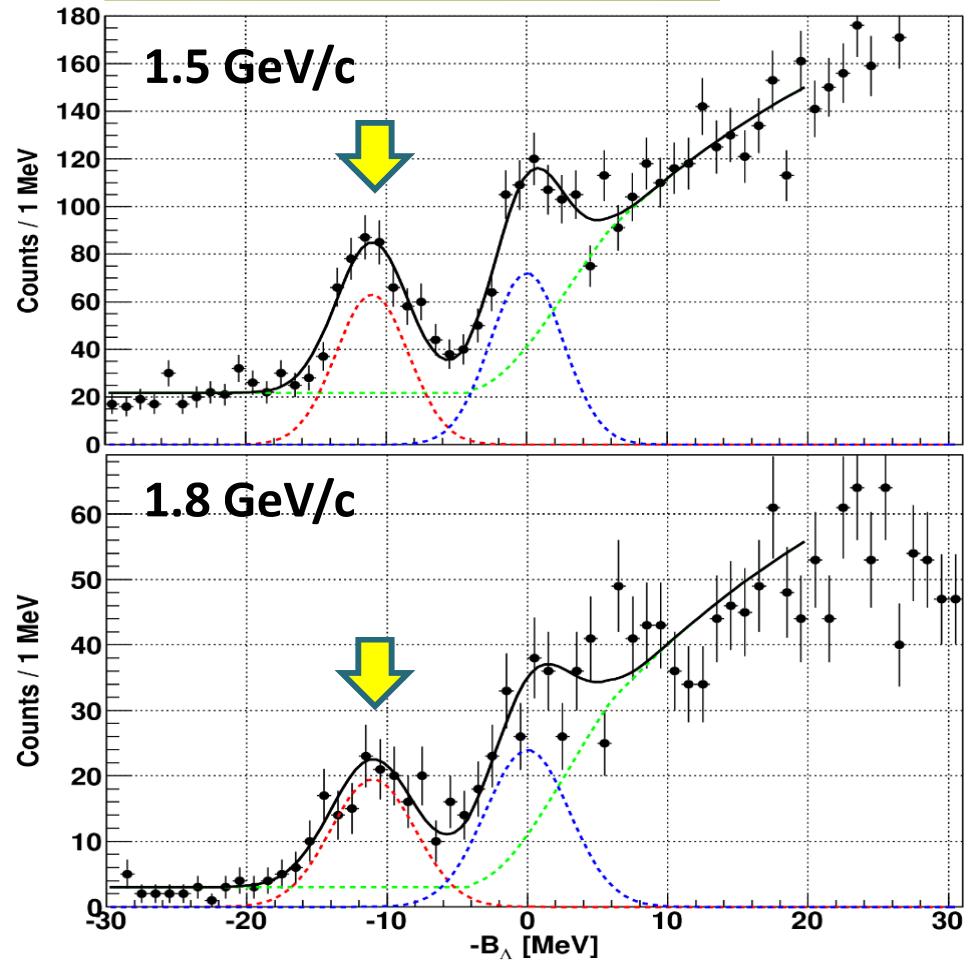
# Missing mass analysis

$\Sigma^+$  missing mass



Binding energy of  $^{12}\Lambda\text{C}$

$\theta: 4\text{--}14 \text{ deg.}$



Hypernuclear production can be identified using our detector system

# Obtaining differential cross section



$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{1}{T} \frac{1}{N_{\text{BH2}} \cdot f_{\text{Beam}}} \frac{1}{\epsilon_{\text{DAQ}} \cdot f_{\text{abs}} \cdot \epsilon_{\text{vertex}} \cdot \epsilon_{\text{SingleTrack}}} \frac{N_{\text{PeakCounts}}}{\epsilon_{\text{SKS}} \cdot \Delta\Omega}$$

T : Number of Target ( CH<sub>2</sub> target (2.9 g/cm2) )

N\_BH2 : Total counts of time0 counter

f\_Beam : effective beam factor

$$= \epsilon_{\text{KinTrigger}} * \epsilon_{\text{Btof}} * \epsilon_{\text{BFT}} * \epsilon_{\text{BcOut}} * \epsilon_{\text{Targeting}} * \epsilon_{\text{Kdecay}}$$

$\epsilon_{\text{DAQ}}$  : DAQ efficiency

f\_abs : absorption factor

$\epsilon_{\text{vertex}}$  : vertex cut efficiency

$\epsilon_{\text{SingleTrack}}$  : single track ratio in spectrometers

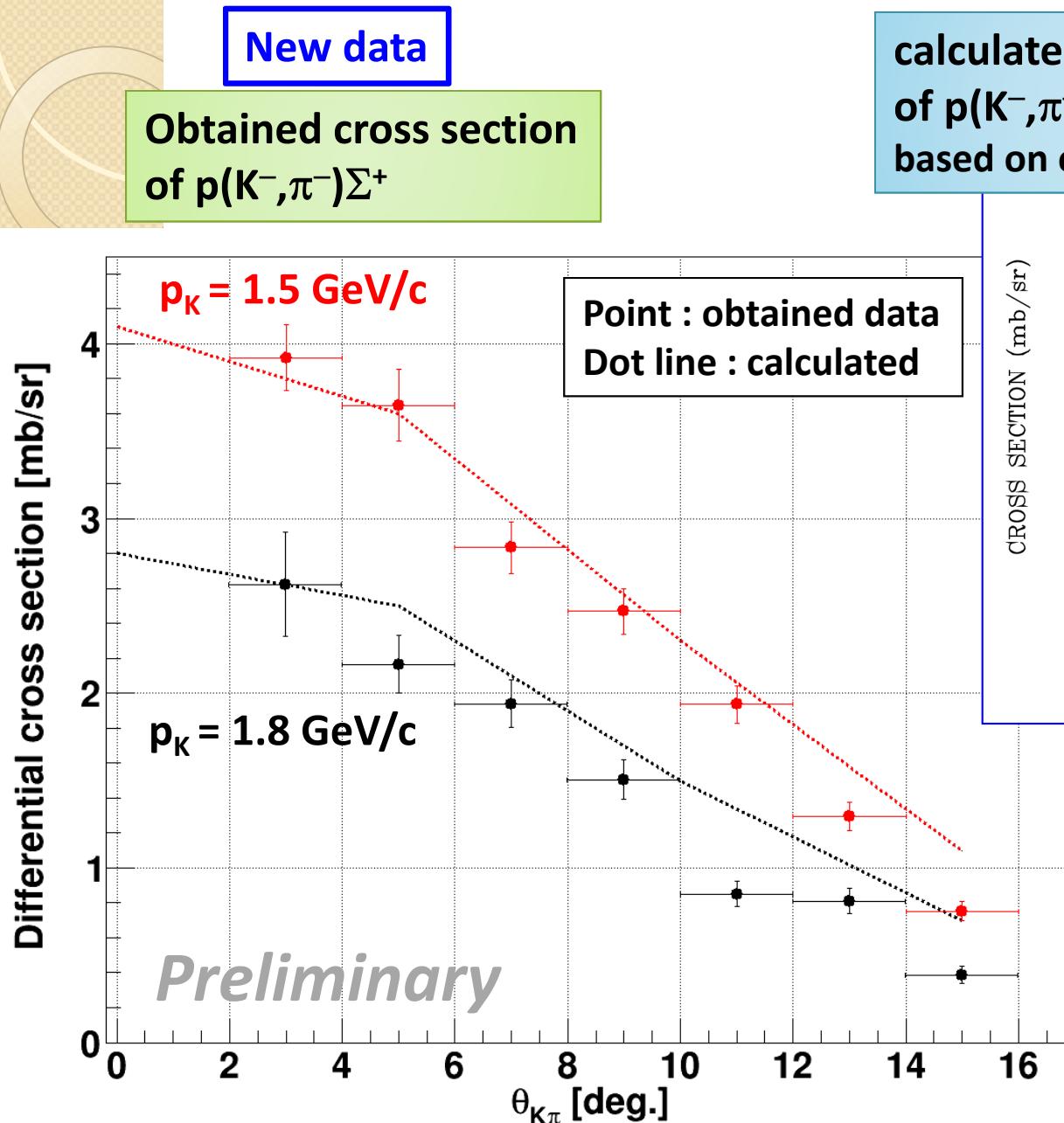
$\epsilon_{\text{SKS}}$  : efficiency of SKS spectrometer

$$= \epsilon_{\text{SAC1}} * \epsilon_{\text{Tof}} * \epsilon_{\text{SFV}} * \epsilon_{\text{SdcIn}} * \epsilon_{\text{SdcOut}} * \epsilon_{\text{SkstTrack}} * \epsilon_{\text{m2}} * \epsilon_{\text{SMF}} * \epsilon_{\text{Decay}}$$

$\Delta\Omega$  : effective solid angle of SKS spectrometer

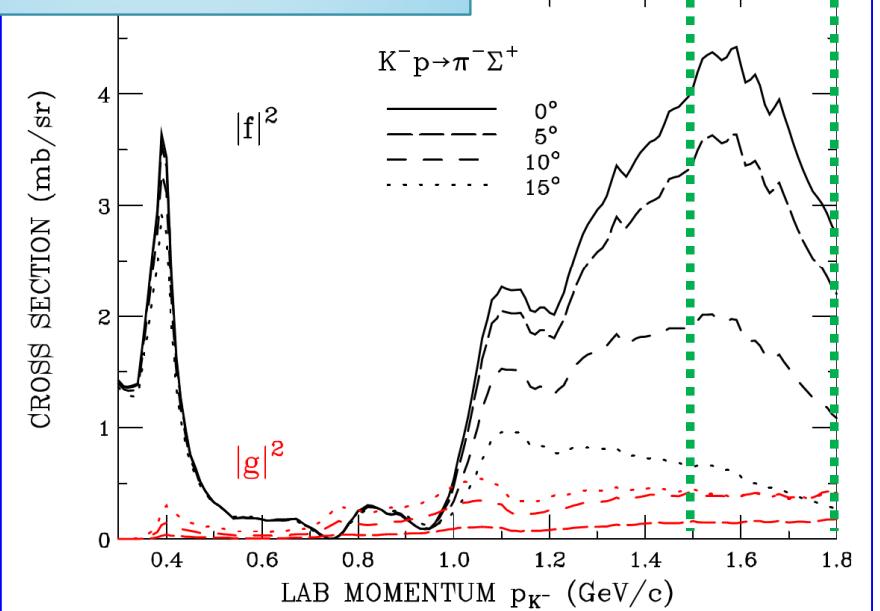
Systematic Errors are not considered in this report.

# Differential cross section of $\Sigma^+$



calculated cross section  
of  $p(K^-, \pi^-)\Sigma^+$   
based on experimental data

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private communication



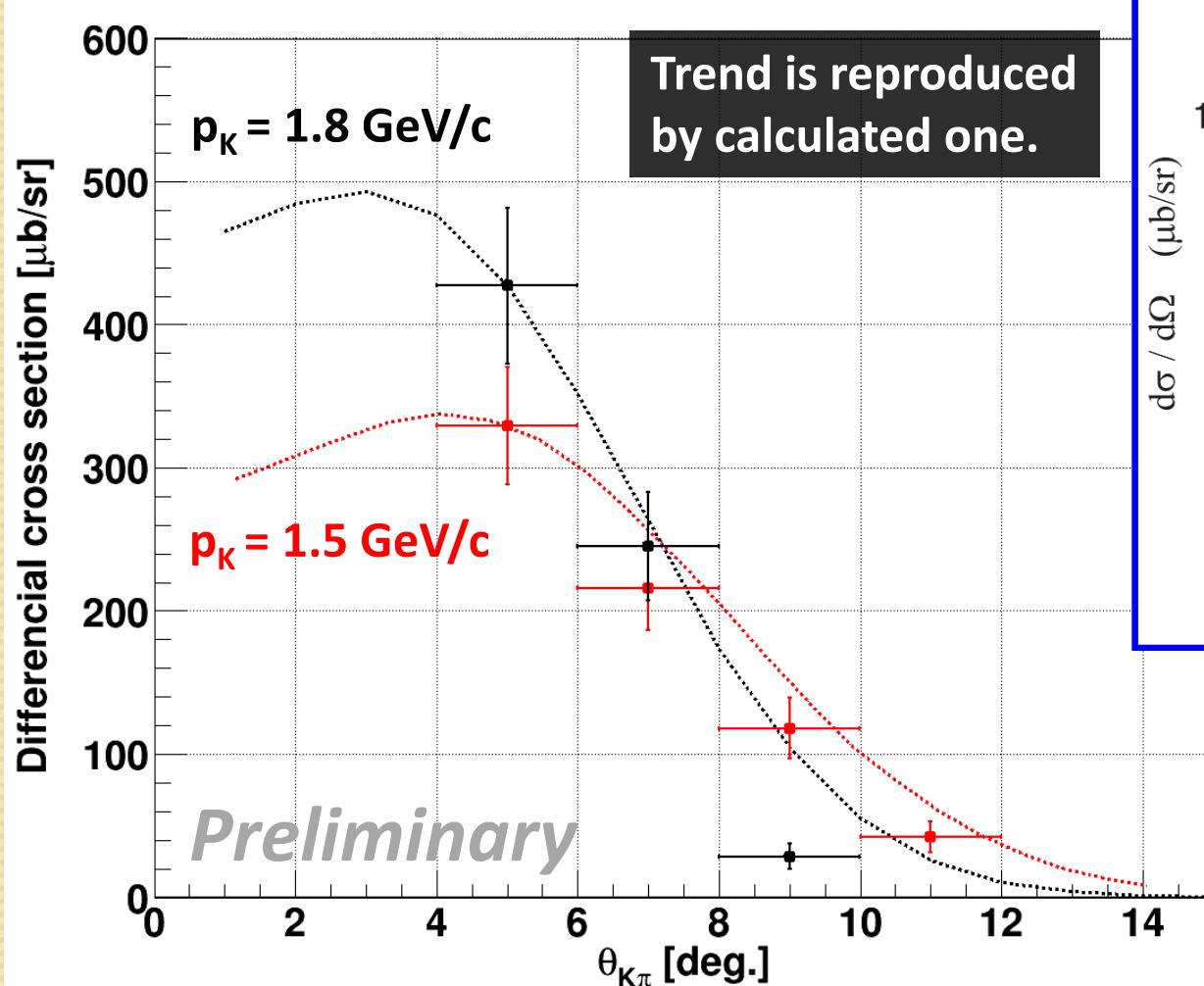
Obtained cross sections  
are well reproduced by  
calculated one.

Absolute cross section can be  
measured with this system

# Differential cross section of $^{12}\Lambda$ C( $s_{\Lambda}$ -state)

New data

Obtained cross section  
of  $^{12}\text{C}(\text{K}^-, \pi^-)^{12}\Lambda$ C ( $s_{\Lambda}$ -state)



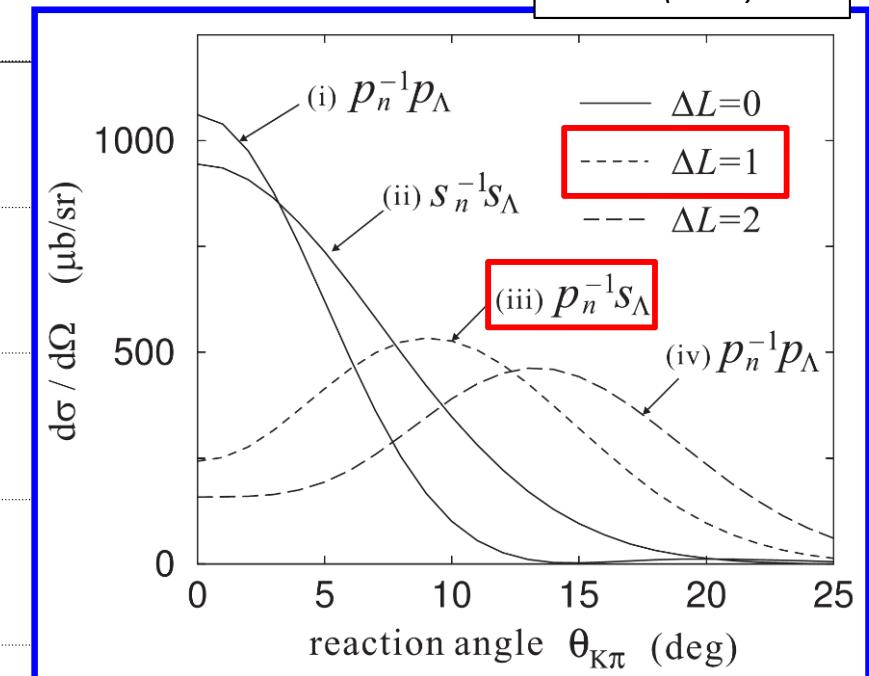
Trend is reproduced  
by calculated one.

DWIA calculation

Calculated cross section  
of  $^{16}\text{O}(\text{K}^-, \pi^-)^{16}\Lambda$ O @0.9 GeV/c

Ann. Phys. (NY)148,  
381(1983).

Phys. Rev. C77,  
054315(2008).



Point : obtained data  
Dot line : calculated  
(scaled with obtained data)  
(converted considering  
momentum transfer)

# Yield estimation of $^{19}\Lambda F$

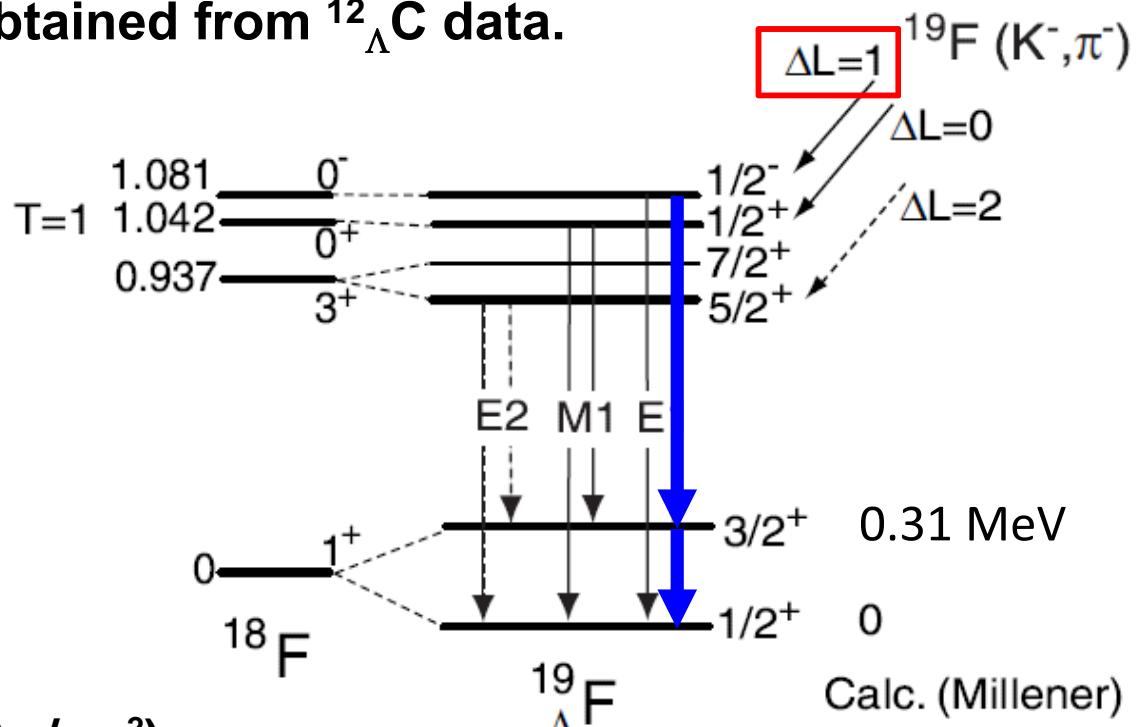
Compare yield of  $\frac{1}{2}^-$ - state with  $p_K = 1.5 \text{ & } 1.8 \text{ GeV/c}$   
using relative cross section obtained from  $^{12}\Lambda C$  data.

Absolute cross section was assumed to be  $40 \mu\text{b}/\text{sr}$

No calculation

$$\left. \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right|_{\theta=3^\circ} = 40 \mu\text{b}/\text{sr} \text{ (for } 1.8 \text{ GeV/c)}$$

$$\left. \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right|_{\theta=3^\circ} = 25 \mu\text{b}/\text{sr} \text{ (for } 1.5 \text{ GeV/c)}$$



## Estimated yield

Target : HF( $20 \text{ g/cm}^2$ )

$p_K$	1.5 GeV/c	1.8 GeV/c
K beam intensity [k/spill]	320k	290k
Mass counts [counts/h]	53	62



Select  $p_K = 1.8 \text{ GeV/c}$

- < Other advantages with  $1.8 \text{ GeV/c}$  >
- Selectivity in populated state
  - High momentum transfer  
(better for  $B(M1)$  measurement)

# Summary

- We will perform  $\gamma$ -ray spectroscopy of  ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$  and  ${}^{19}_{\Lambda}\text{F}$  at the J-PARC K1.8 beam line ( E13 1<sup>st</sup> @J-PARC K1.8 )
- Spectrometer system for the ( $\text{K}^-,\pi^-$ ) reaction (SksMinus) was developed.
- Hypernuclear production via the ( $\text{K}^-,\pi^-$ ) reaction
  - Analysis of  $\text{CH}_2$  target data
    - Differential cross section of  $\Sigma^+$
    - Differential cross section of  ${}^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$  ( $s_{\Lambda}$ -state) New data
  - Yield estimation of  ${}^{19}_{\Lambda}\text{F}$   
compare yields between  $p_{\text{K}} = 1.5$  and  $1.8 \text{ GeV}/c$   
→ Select  $1.8 \text{ GeV}/c$

We are waiting for beam time!