

Aerogel Cherenkov counter system of E13 experiment for the (K^-, π^-) reaction

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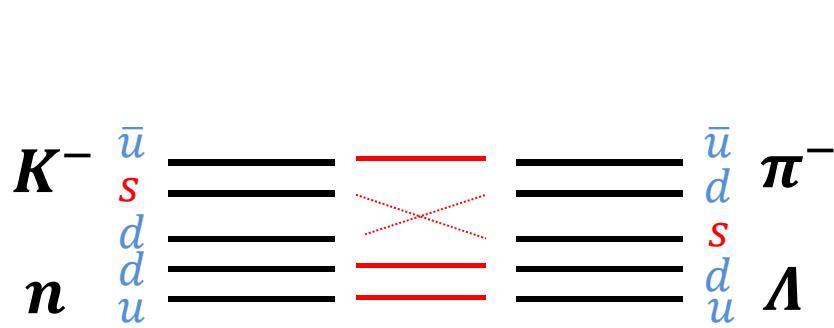
- Overview of the E13 experiment (hypernuclear gamma-ray spectroscopy)
- Aerogel Cherenkov(AC) counter system for the (K^-, π^-) reaction
- Performance evaluation of ACs
- Evaluation of the (K^-, π^-) trigger
- Summary

J-PARC E13 experiment

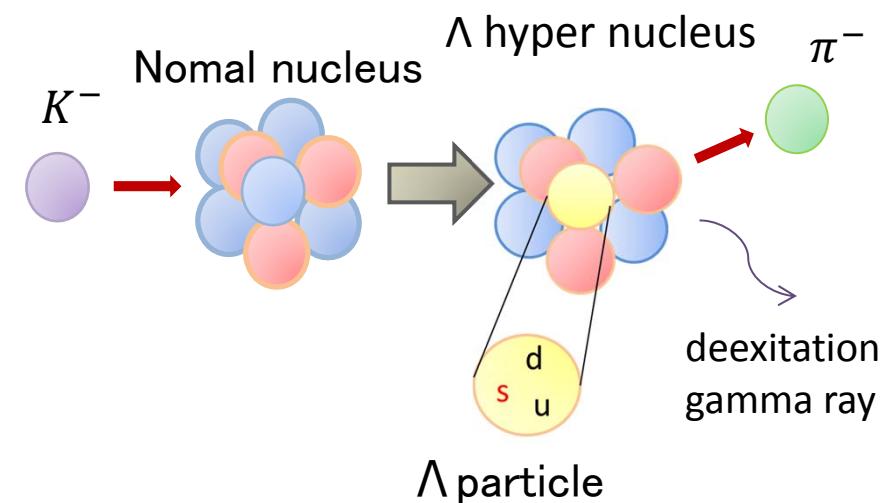
- produce hypernuclei by (K^-, π^-) reaction
- detect gamma rays with Ge detectors to investigate the detailed energy structures (gamma ray spectroscopy)
→ **study of ΛN interaction**

Beam momentum

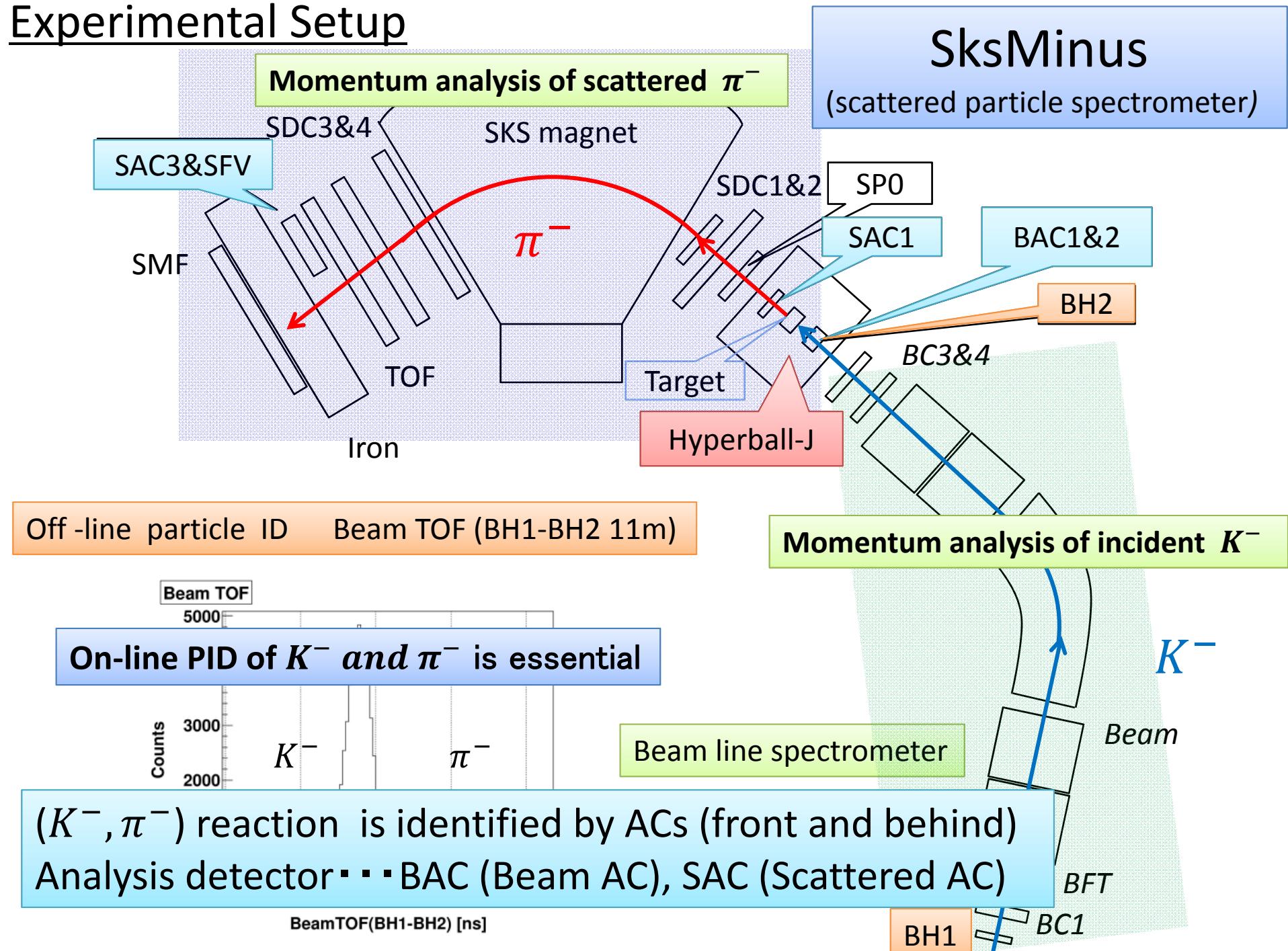
$$p_K = \begin{cases} 1.8 \text{ GeV/c} & \cdots {}^{19}_{\Lambda}\text{F} \\ 1.5 \text{ GeV/c} & \cdots {}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He} \end{cases}$$



Beam intensity \times Cross section Large!



Experimental Setup



Aerogel Cherenkov Counter (AC)

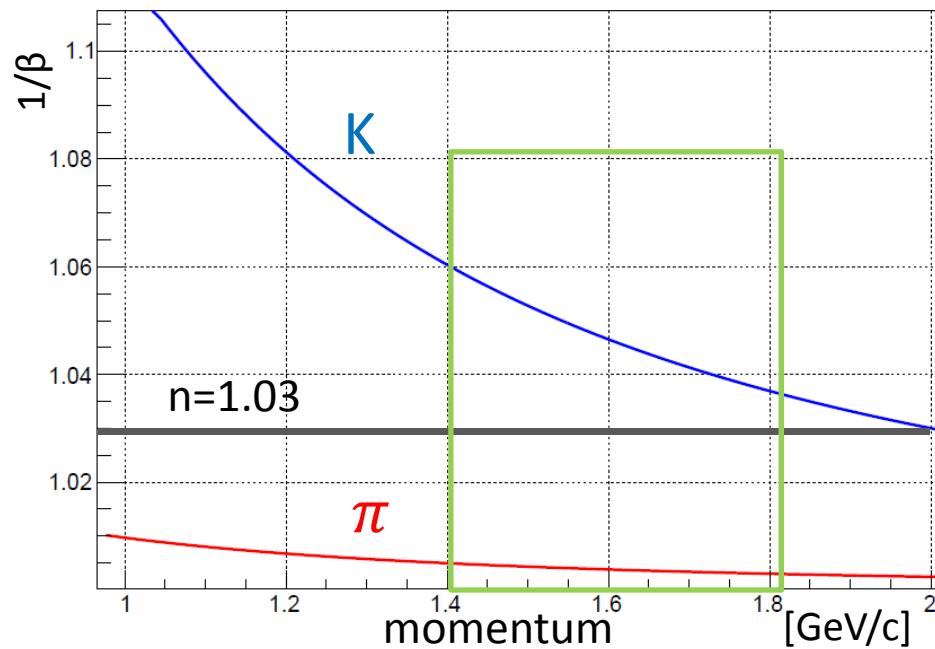
${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$... $p_K=1.5 \text{ GeV}/c$, $p_\pi \sim 1.4 \text{ GeV}/c$

${}^{19}_{\Lambda}\text{F}$... $p_K=1.8 \text{ GeV}/c$, $p_\pi \sim 1.7 \text{ GeV}/c$

index

- Aerogel of $n=1.03$
- Momentum threshold
 $\rightarrow \pi^- : 0.57 \text{ GeV}/c$, $K^- : 2.0 \text{ GeV}/c$

Relation of momentum and index



π^- , K^- identification is possible at $1.8 \text{ GeV}/c$, $1.5 \text{ GeV}/c$

reflector

Teflon ... diffused reflector, high reflective index at sensitive area of PMT

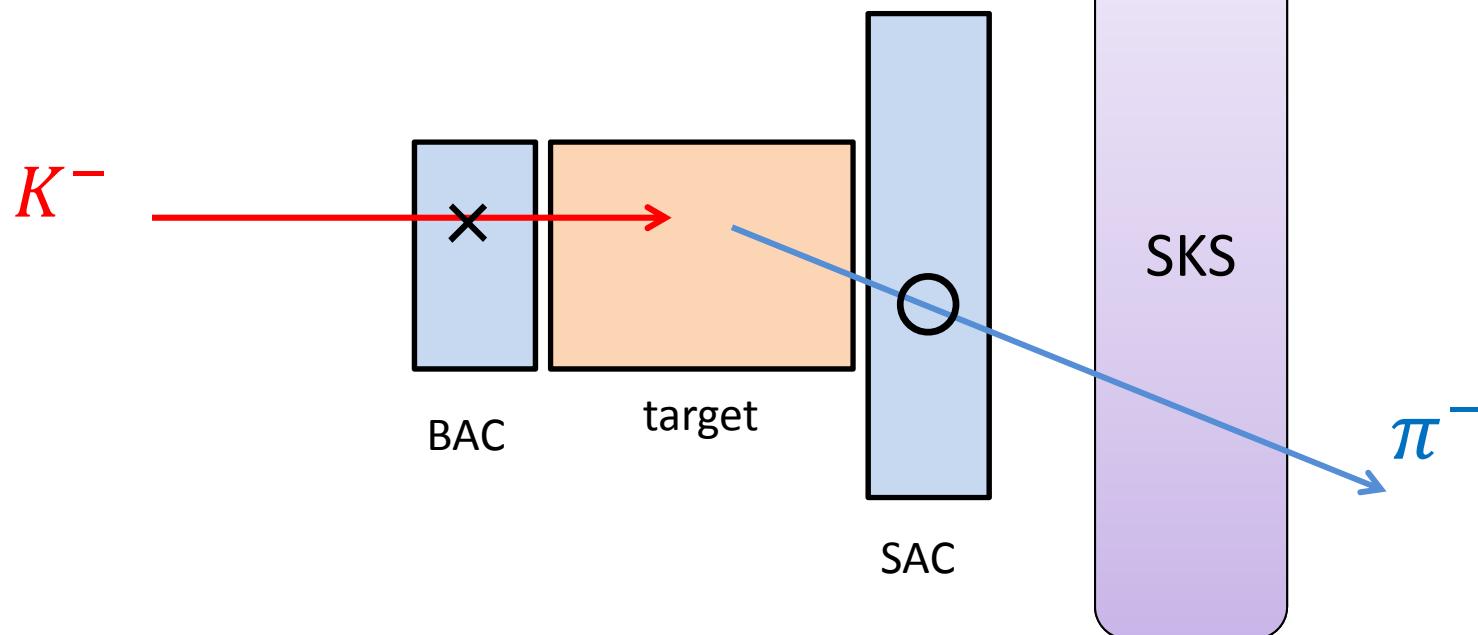
PMT H6614-70UV : HV $\sim +2 \text{ kV}$

2" Fine mesh PMT
... tolerance to the fringing field of SKS magnet

(K^-, π^-) Trigger system

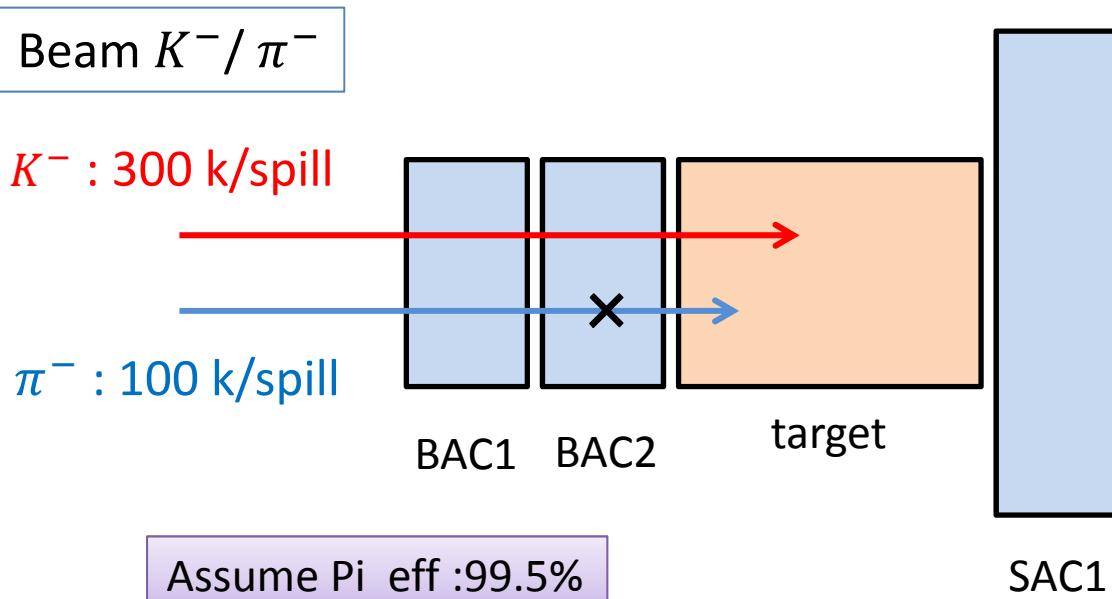
Trigger rate < 2k/spill required

ID (K^-, π^-) reaction with ACs in front and behind



(K^-, π^-) Trigger system

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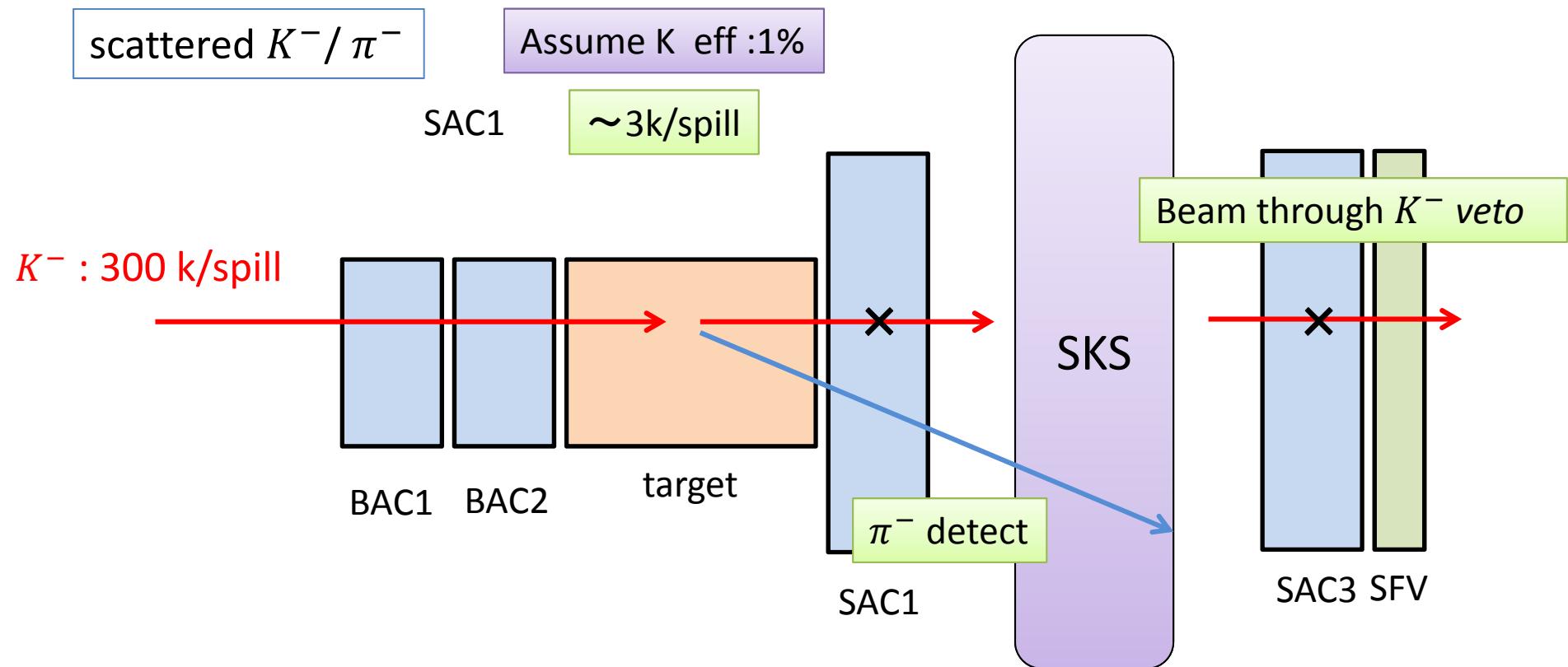


(K, π) trigger

$\overline{BAC}_1 \oplus \overline{BAC}_2$	SAC_1	$\overline{SFV} \times \overline{SAC}_3$
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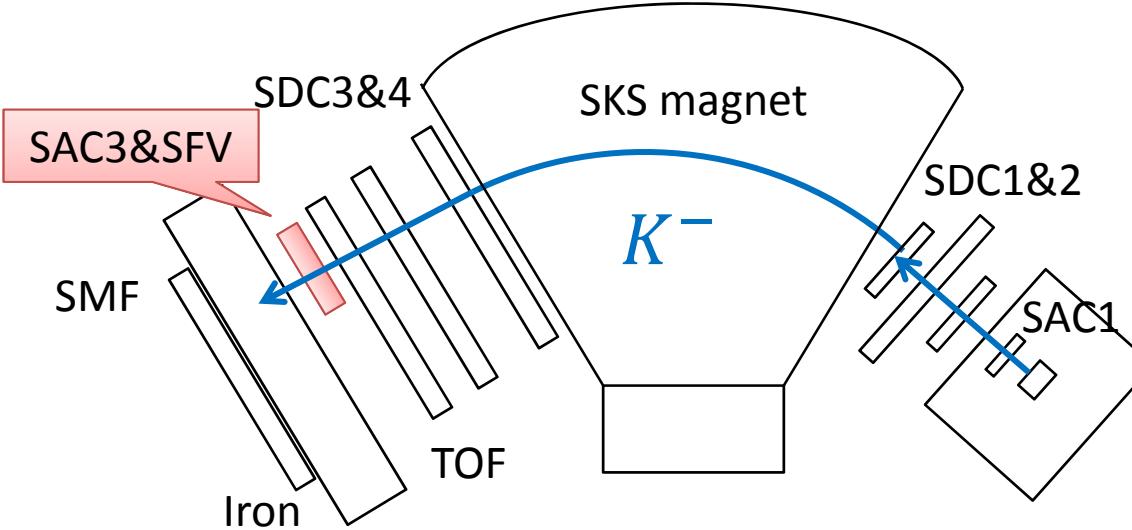
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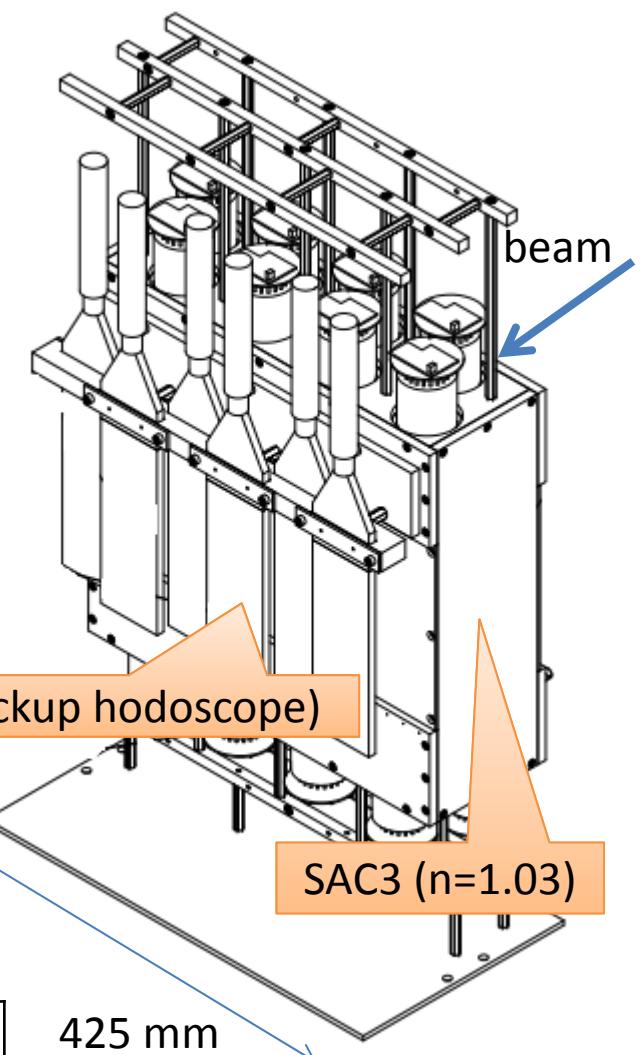


(K, π) trigger

$BAC1 \oplus BAC2$	$SAC1$	$SFV \times \overline{SAC3}$
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SAC3 & SFV



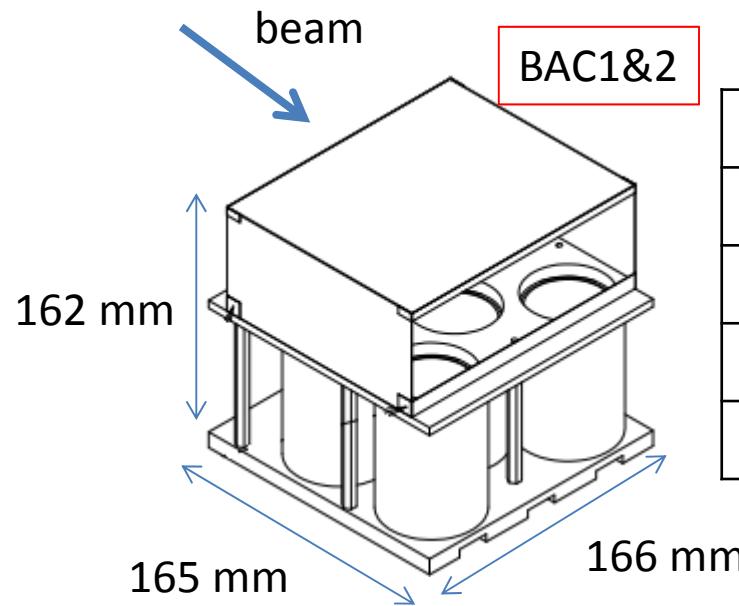
- Beam Through Kaon veto counter
- Limited space between SAC1 and Drift chamber
- Amount of substance -> multiple scattering
→ installed downstream of all chambers

Size → cover beam through K region !

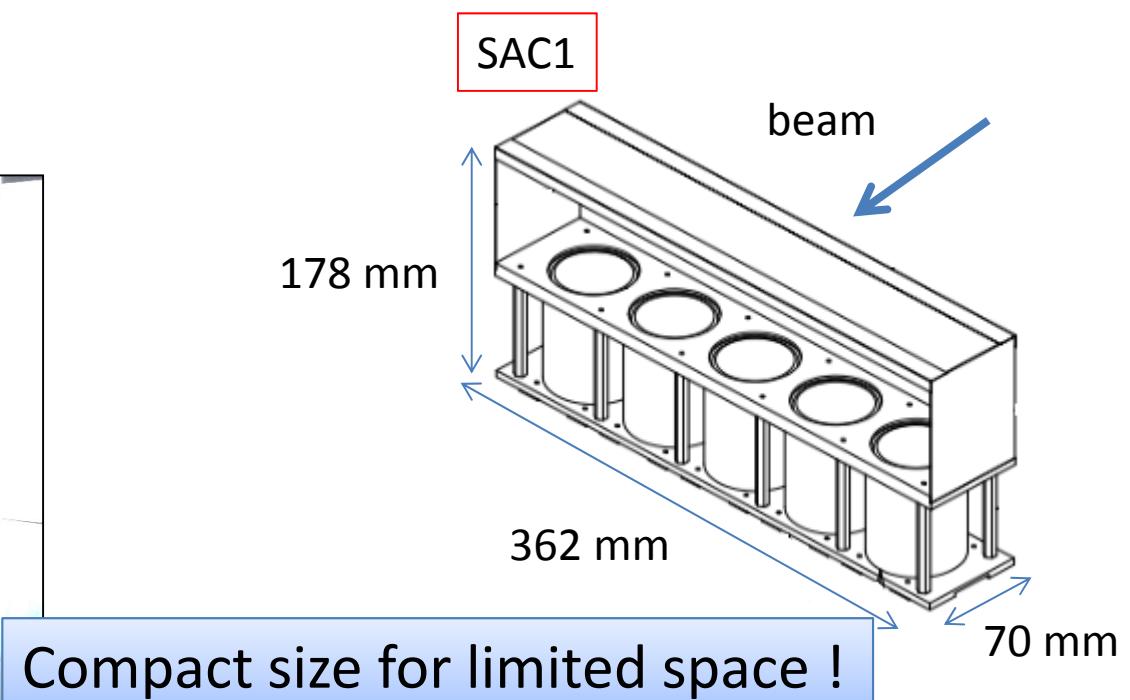
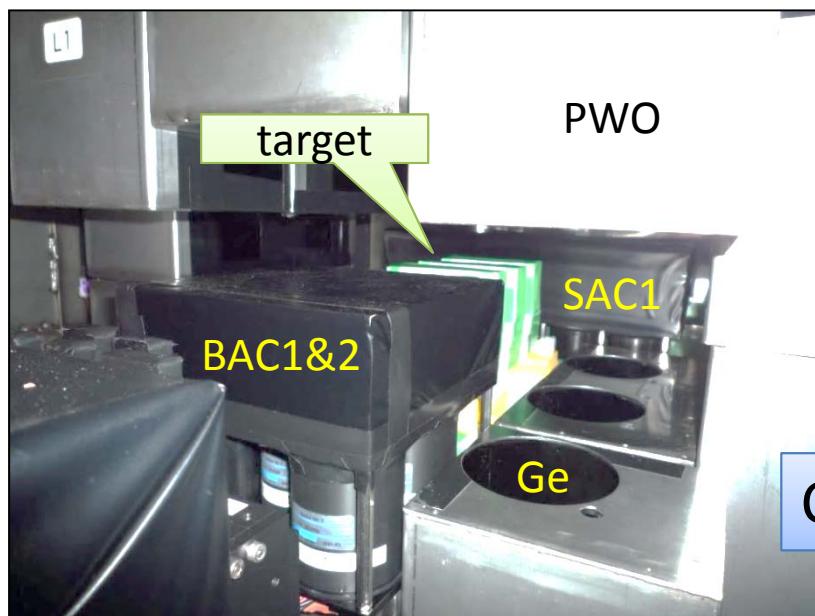
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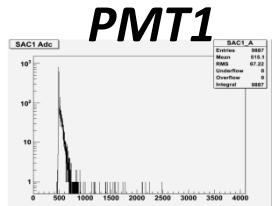
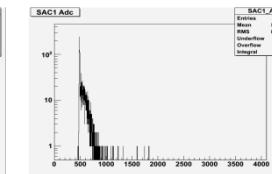
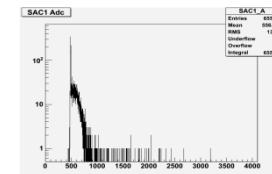
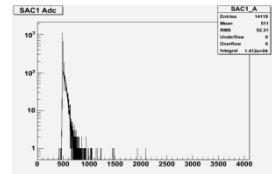
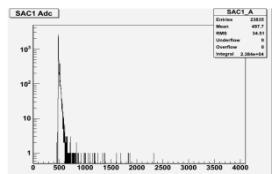
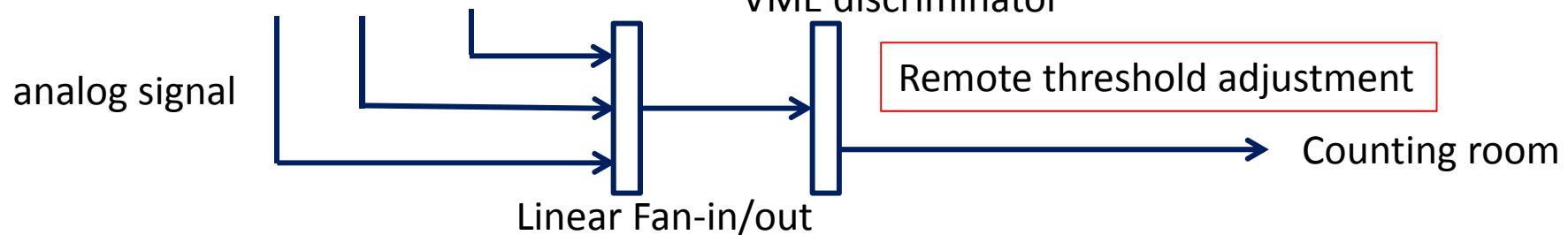
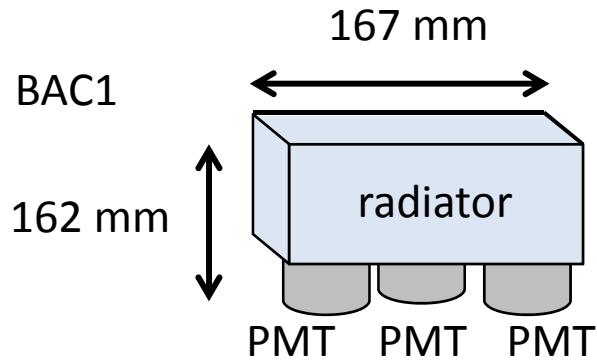
Detector size



	Radiator thickness	effective area	PMT
BAC1	66 mm	52 mm × 166 mm	3
BAC2	66 mm	52 mm × 166 mm	3
SAC1	66 mm	80 mm × 350 mm	5
SAC3	125 mm	200 mm × 405 mm	16



Detector system



PMT2

PMT3

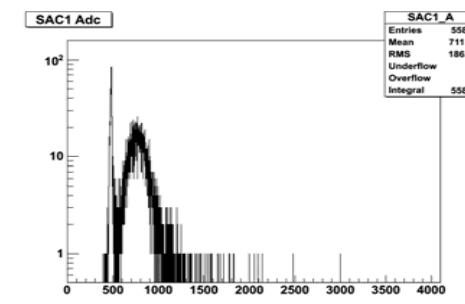
PMT4

PMT1

PMT5

Summed up

SAC1



PMT all

- Summed PMT signals are discriminated.
- Gain adjustment by LED
- Remote threshold adjustment

	PMT
BAC1	3
BAC2	3
SAC1	5
SAC3	16

Performance evaluation of detectors

Commissioning data at J-PARC K1.8 Beam Line in March through May, 2013 .

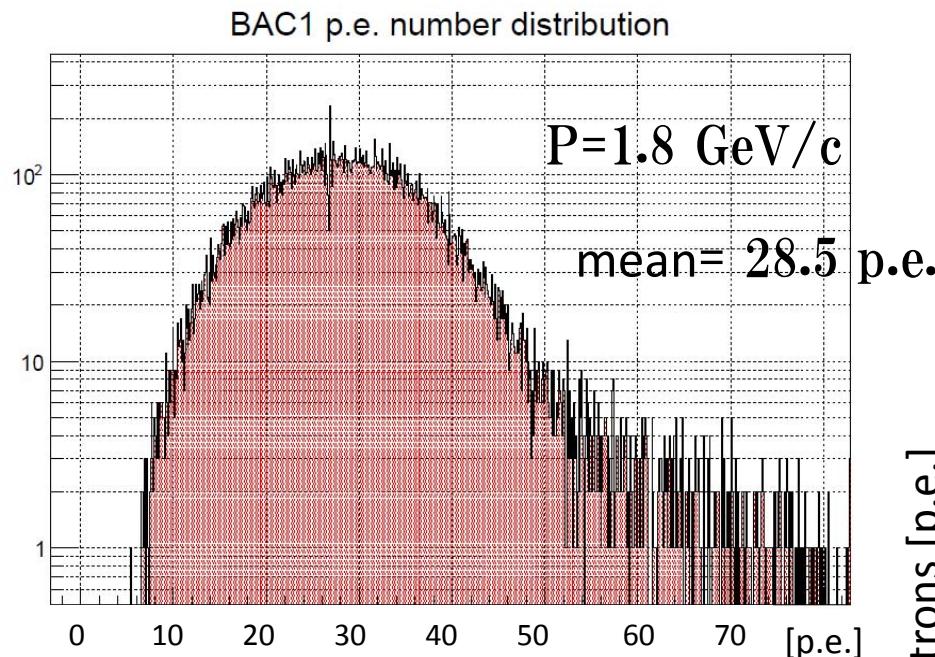
(beam momenta = 1.8 , 1.5, 1.3 GeV/c)

- Performance evaluation
 - Light yield
 - Detection efficiency of pion and Kaon
- Evaluation of online (K^-, π^-) trigger



- Search of optimal beam conditions

Momentum dependence of light yield for pion

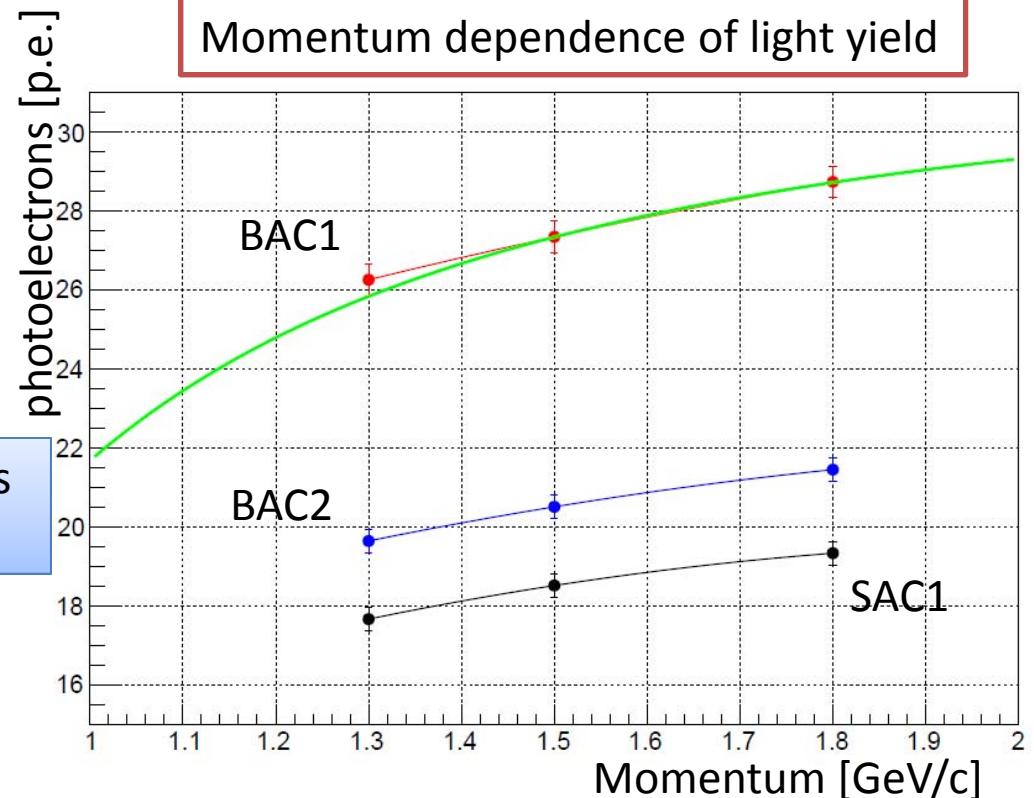


Light collection efficiency is uniform for this velocity (Cherenkov angle) region.

Number of produced Cherenkov photon

$$\frac{dN}{d\lambda} = 2\pi\alpha z^2 L \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n^2\beta^2}\right) \quad (1)$$

Momentum dependence of light yield



Efficiency

BAC efficiency

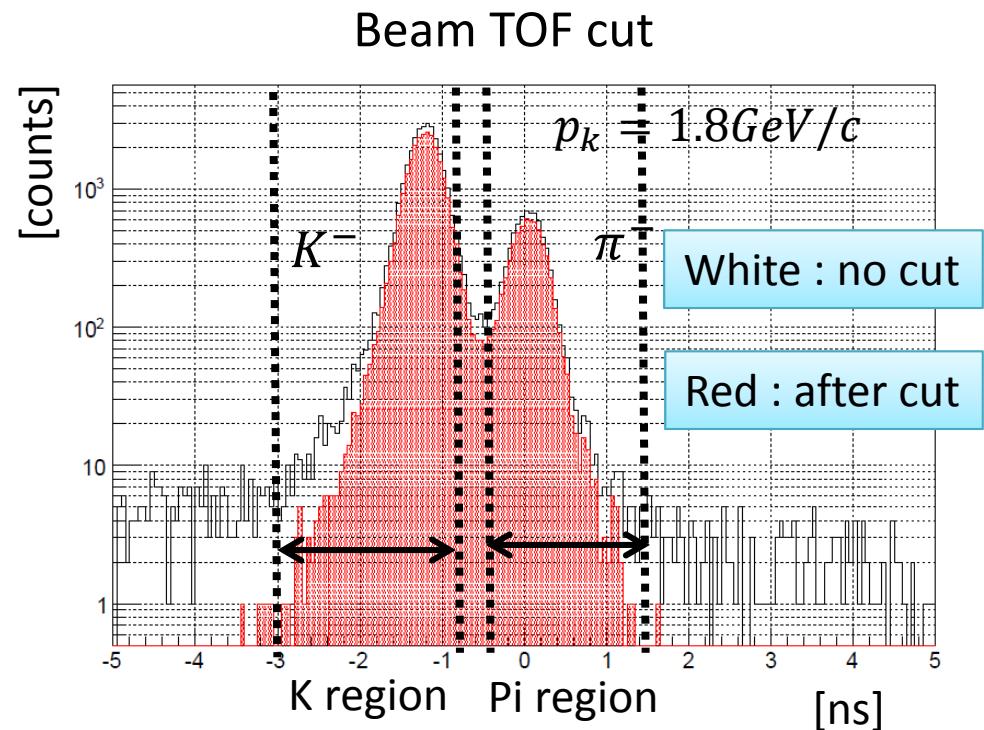
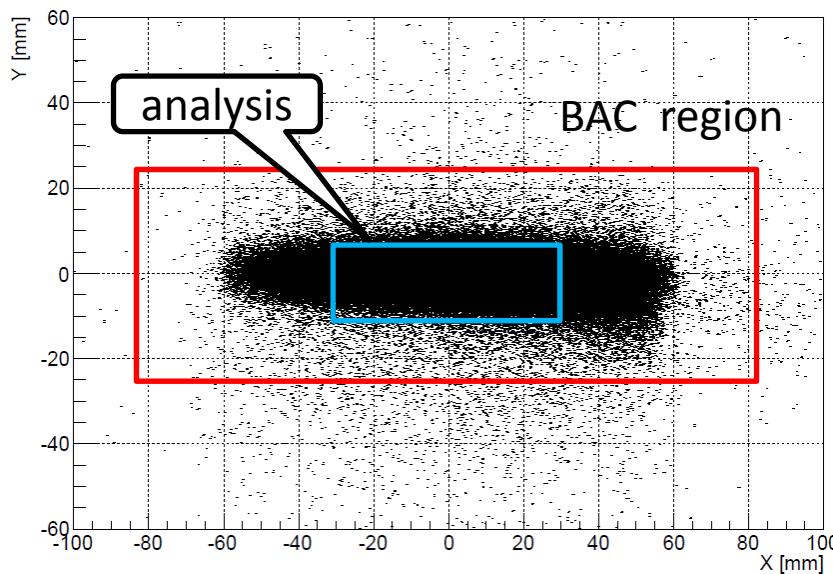
$$\pi \text{ efficiency} = \frac{\text{BAC}}{(\text{clean } \pi \text{ beam events}) \text{ and ACs}}$$

$$K \text{ efficiency} = \frac{\text{BAC}}{(\text{clean } K \text{ beam events}) \text{ and ACs}}$$

Miss ID efficiency

selecting clean events

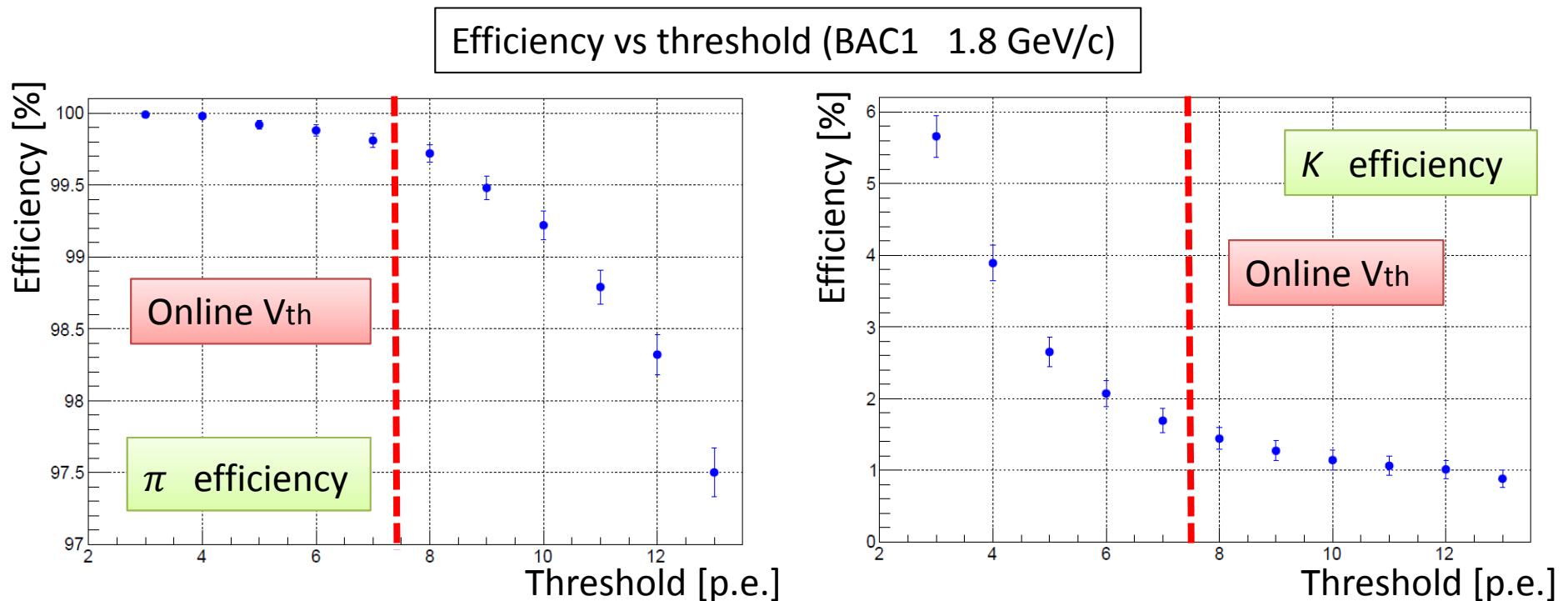
Hit profile cut



π^- time window : $-0.3 \sim 1.5$ ns

K^- time window : $-3.0 \sim -0.8$ ns

Online threshold and efficiency



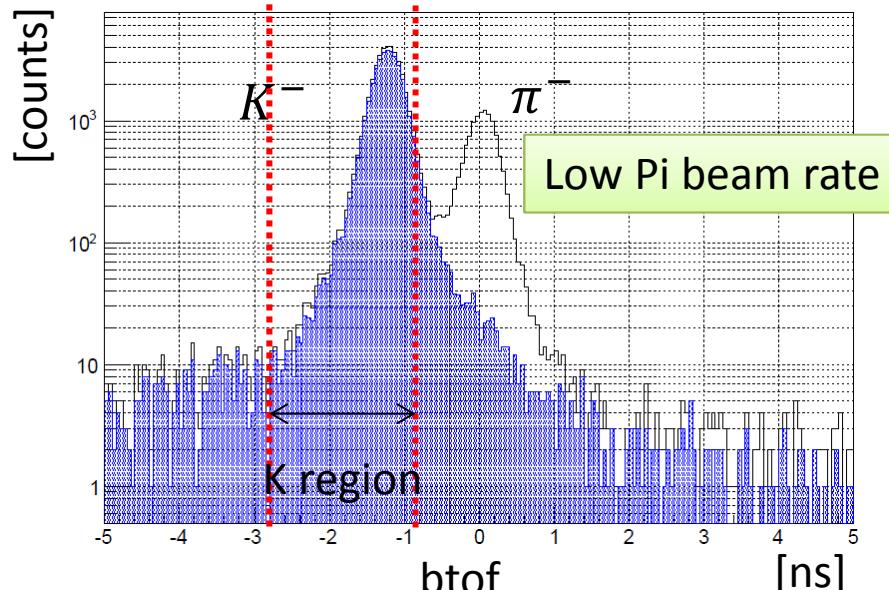
1.8 GeV/c	BAC1	BAC2	SAC1
Pi eff (%)	99.7 ± 0.1	99.8 ± 0.1	99.5 ± 0.2
K eff (%)	1.2 ± 0.1	1.7 ± 0.2	1.7 ± 0.1

Online threshold
 BAC1 : 8 p.e.
 BAC2 : 6 p.e.
 SAC1 : 7 p.e.

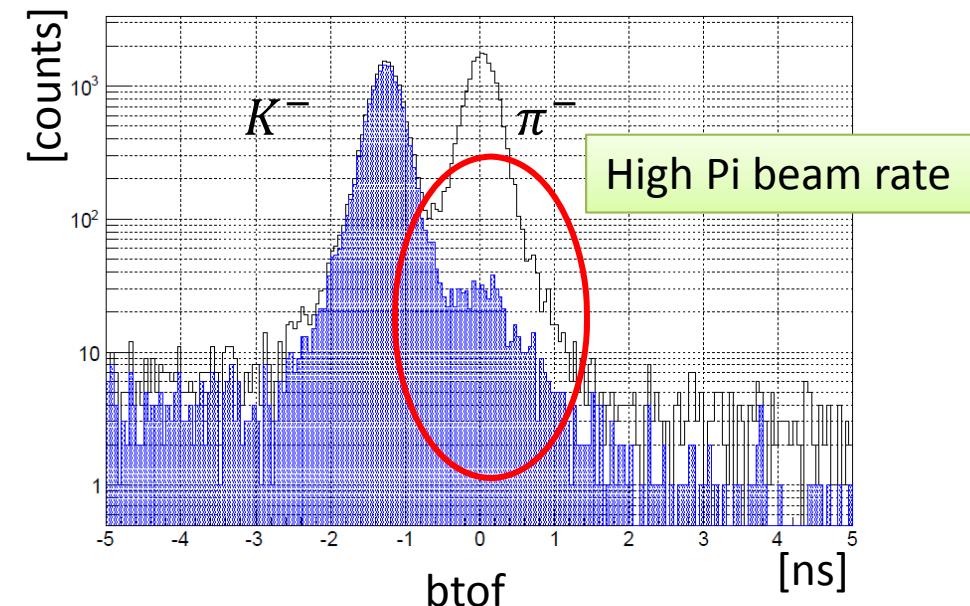
1.5 GeV/c	BAC1	BAC2	SAC1
Pi eff (%)	99.6 ± 0.1	99.7 ± 0.1	99.2 ± 0.1
K eff (%)	0.9 ± 0.2	1.1 ± 0.2	1.0 ± 0.2

Evaluation of incident Kaon trigger

Blue \cdots BTOF with Kin trigger ($\overline{BAC1 \oplus BAC2}$)



White \cdots BTOF



Kin trigger efficiency

Pi Rate (k/spill)	K rate (k/spill)	K (%)	Pi (%)
60	230	92.7 ± 0.7	3.9 ± 0.7
80	240	92.3 ± 0.6	3.8 ± 0.6
120	300	92.3 ± 0.7	3.5 ± 0.7
270	230	92.6 ± 0.6	7.3 ± 0.4

$$K \text{ efficiency} = \frac{\overline{BAC1 \oplus BAC2}}{\text{Beam TOF } K \text{ region}}$$

Beam structure may make performance worse .

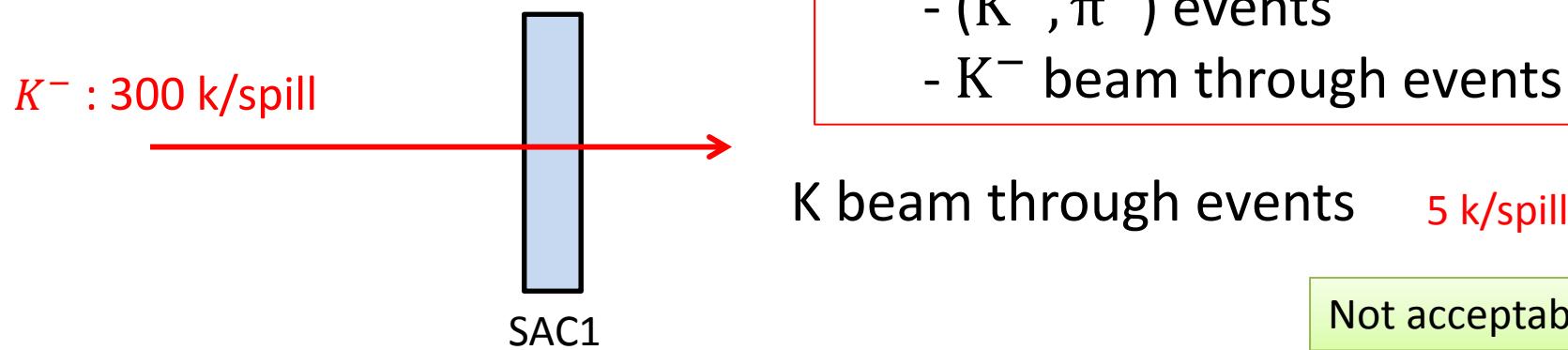
Pi beam rate should be set less than 200 k/spill.

Scattered π^- ID system

- SAC1 efficiency

	1.8 GeV/c
Pi eff (%)	99.5 ± 0.2
K eff (%)	1.7 ± 0.3

caused by δ ray.
It's difficult to reduce.



- (K^- , π^-) trigger contains K^- beam through events .
→ veto K^- beam through events by using SAC3 & SFV .

SAC3 & SFV efficiency and trigger performance

SAC3 efficiency

	1.8 GeV/c	1.5 GeV/c
Pi eff (%)	99.2 ± 0.2	98.8 ± 0.3
K eff (%)	8.8 ± 0.3	7.8 ± 0.4

- Trigger performance with SAC3 & SFV

Momentum (GeV/c)	SAC3 &SFV	(K,Pi) trigger
1.8	○	2315
	×	4671
1.5	○	1133
	×	3414

Trigger rate 50% off!



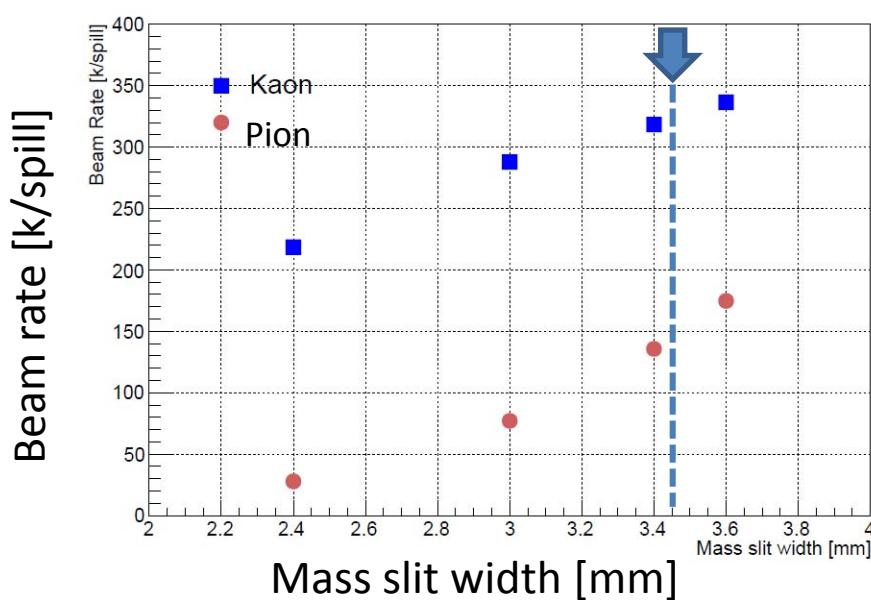
SAC3 & SFV system works well !

Trigger rate 65% off!

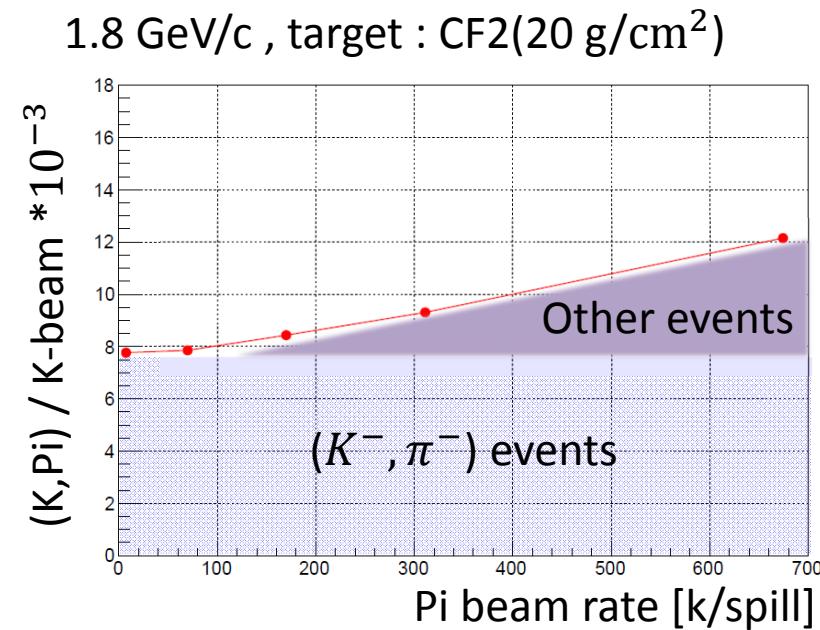
○ ··· trigger with SAC3&SFV

× ··· trigger without SAC3&SFV

Optimization of beam condition



Pion beam rate raise drastically!



With beam intensity increase ,
 (K, Pi) trigger becomes worse.

π^- beam rate should be set less than 150k/spill

Target : CH2(3 g/cm^2) , MR power=20kW, ESS1,2= $\pm 250 \text{ kV}$

Momentum	K-beam (k/spill)	Pi-beam (k/spill)	request	DAQ efficiency
1.5 GeV/c	320	120	1.5 k	0.75
1.8 GeV/c	290	80	1.9 k	0.72

the maximum yield
 K^- : $\sim 300 \text{ k/spill}$
 π^- : $\sim 100 \text{ k/spill}$

Summary

- We will perform E13 experiment (hypernuclear gamma ray spectroscopy with the (K^-, π^-) reaction).
- ACs PID system was developed to identify the (K^-, π^-) reaction.
- Performance evaluation under real beam condition is finished.
 - Light yield of each detector is enough.
 - Pi efficiency : $>99.5\%$, for K-beam rate $\sim 300k/\text{spill}$,
 - K efficiency : $<2\%$ Pi-beam rate $\sim 100k/\text{spill}$.
 - Acceptable trigger rate : $\sim 1.5 k/\text{spill}$
 - Beam condition optimized

We were and will be ready!