

# GPDs at J-PARC

Towards improved hadron femtography with hard exclusive reactions,  
edition IV

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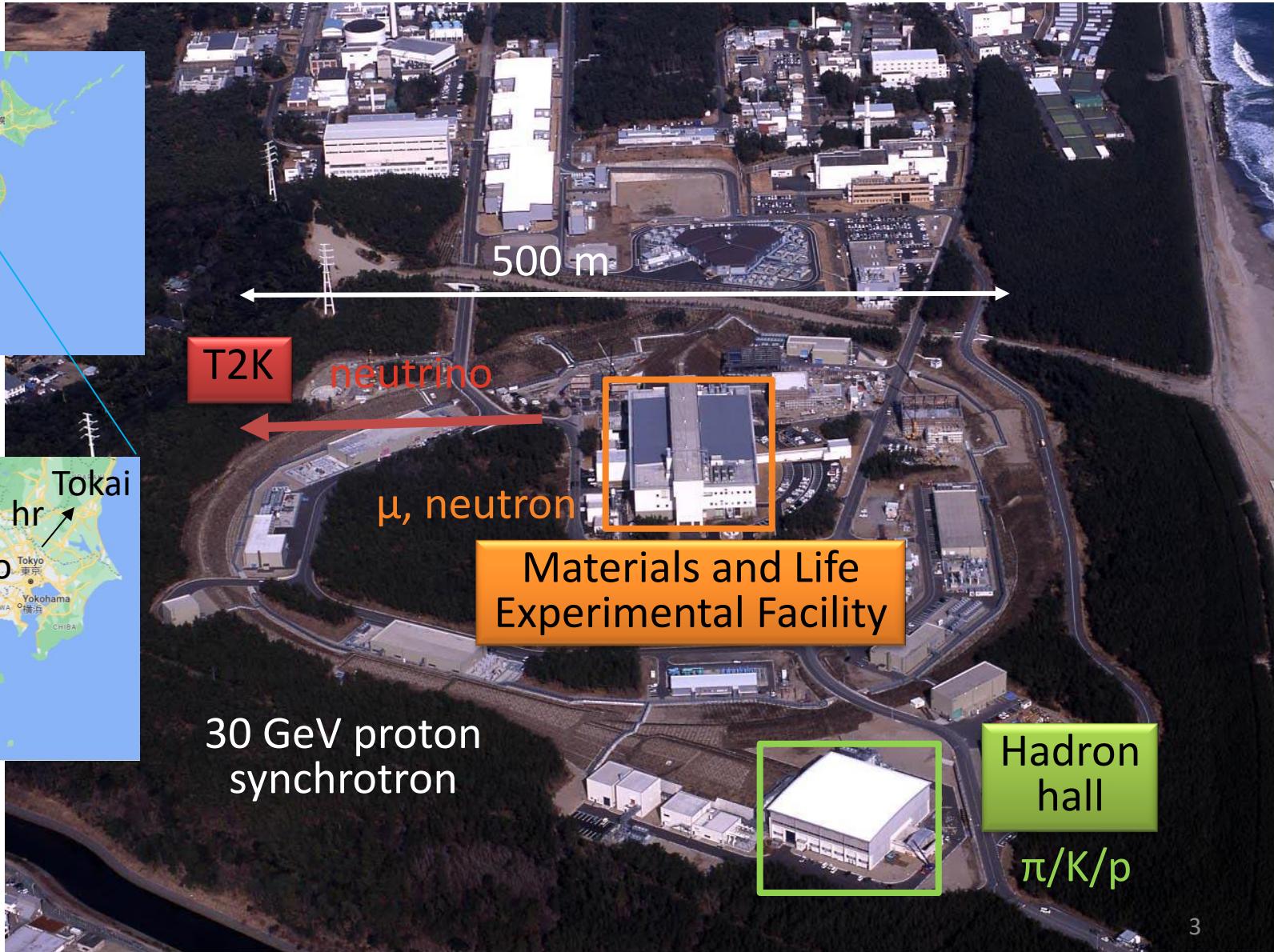
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# Outline

- J-PARC high momentum beamline
  - Introduction
  - Status : 2025/Jan first delivery of secondary beams
  - MARQ spectrometer
- GPDs measurements using hadron beams
  - $M + N \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma + N'$
  - $M + N \rightarrow l^+ + l^- + N'$
  - $N + N \rightarrow M + B + N'$

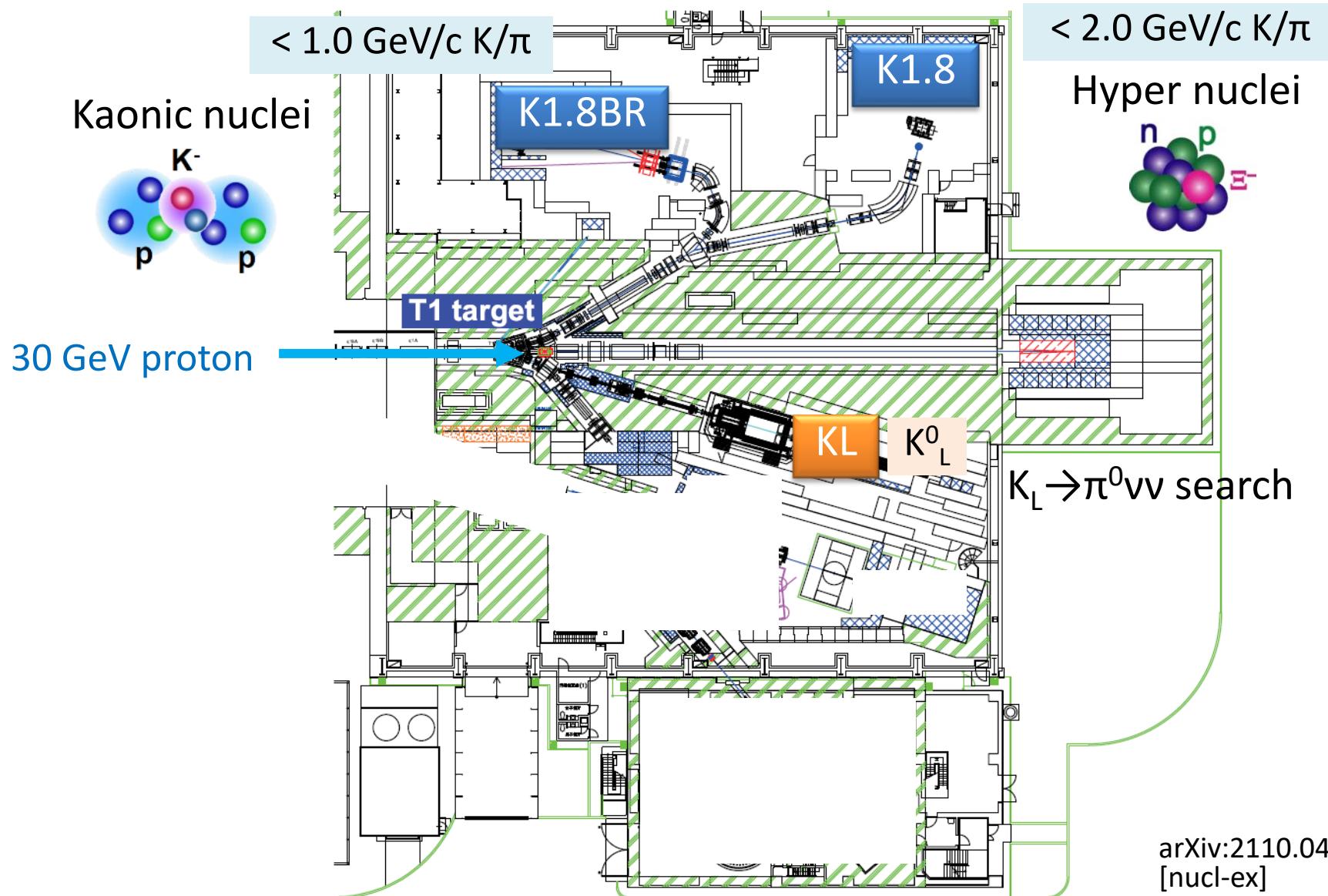
# J-PARC

## Japan Proton Accelerator Research Complex (in Tokai)



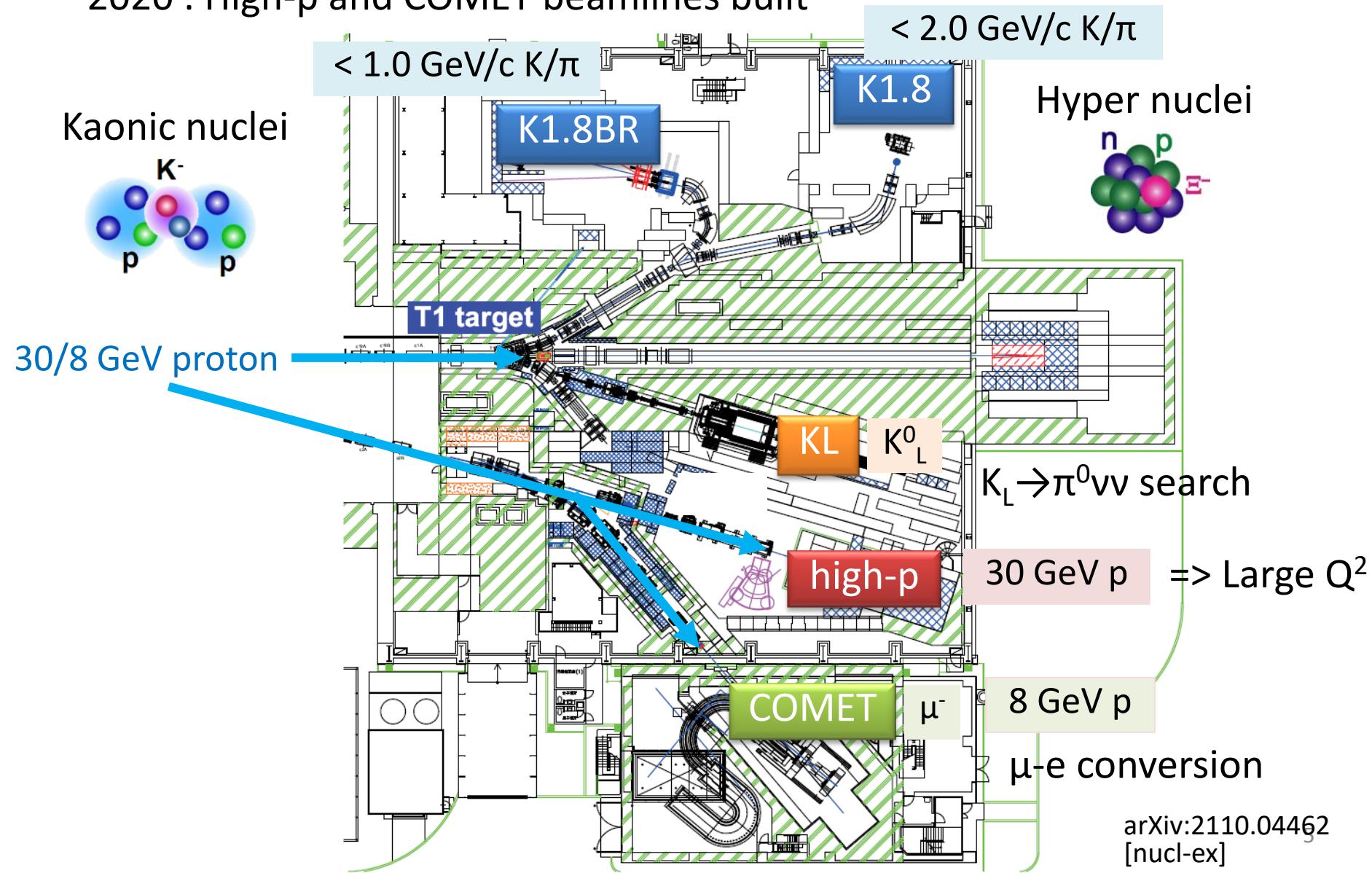
# Hadron Experimental Facility

- 2010- : Start experiment      Strangeness nuclear physics



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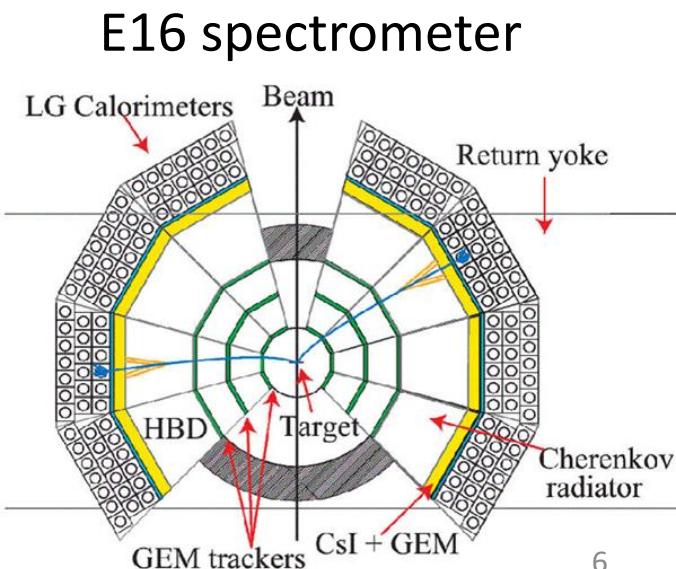
- 2020 : High-p and COMET beamlines built



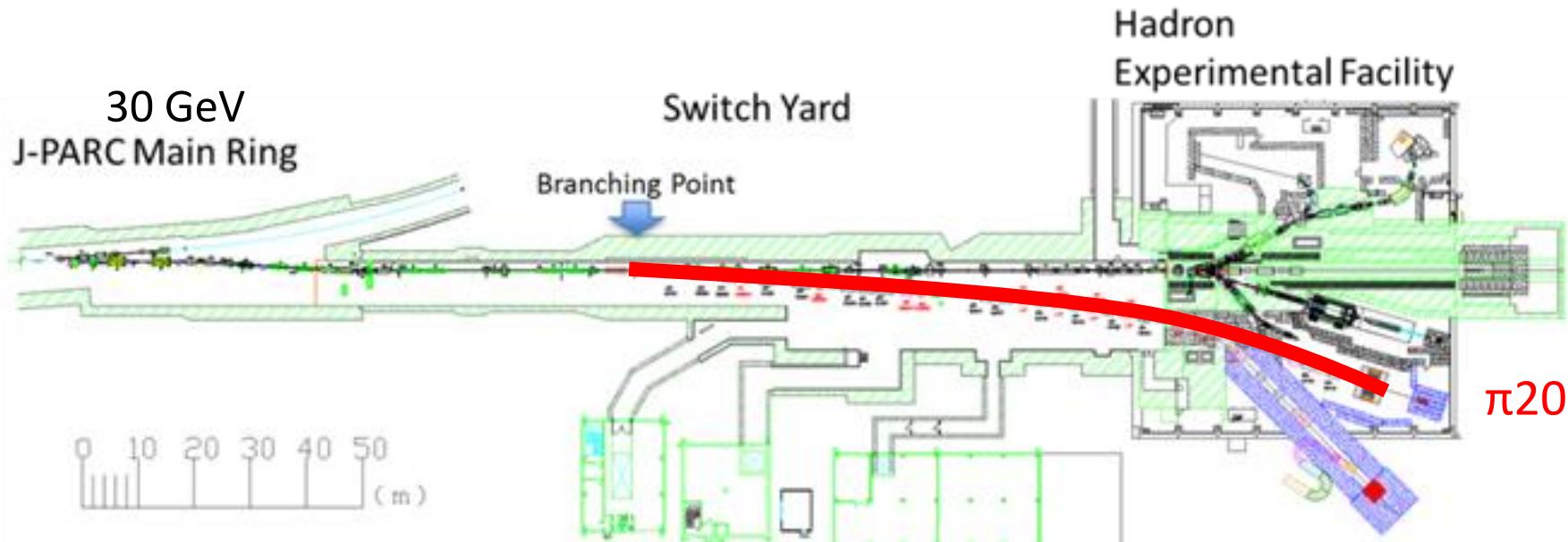
# Current high momentum beamline



- Derive 30 GeV primary proton from Main Ring
- High intensity :  $10^{10}/\text{spill (2s)}$ 
  - Strict radiation control
  - Detectors cannot be installed in forward
  - Beam momentum cannot be measured
- Low momentum  $e^+e^-$  spectrometer installed
  - Start first physics run in FY2025  
(E16 exp:  $\Phi \rightarrow e^+e^-$  in nuclei)



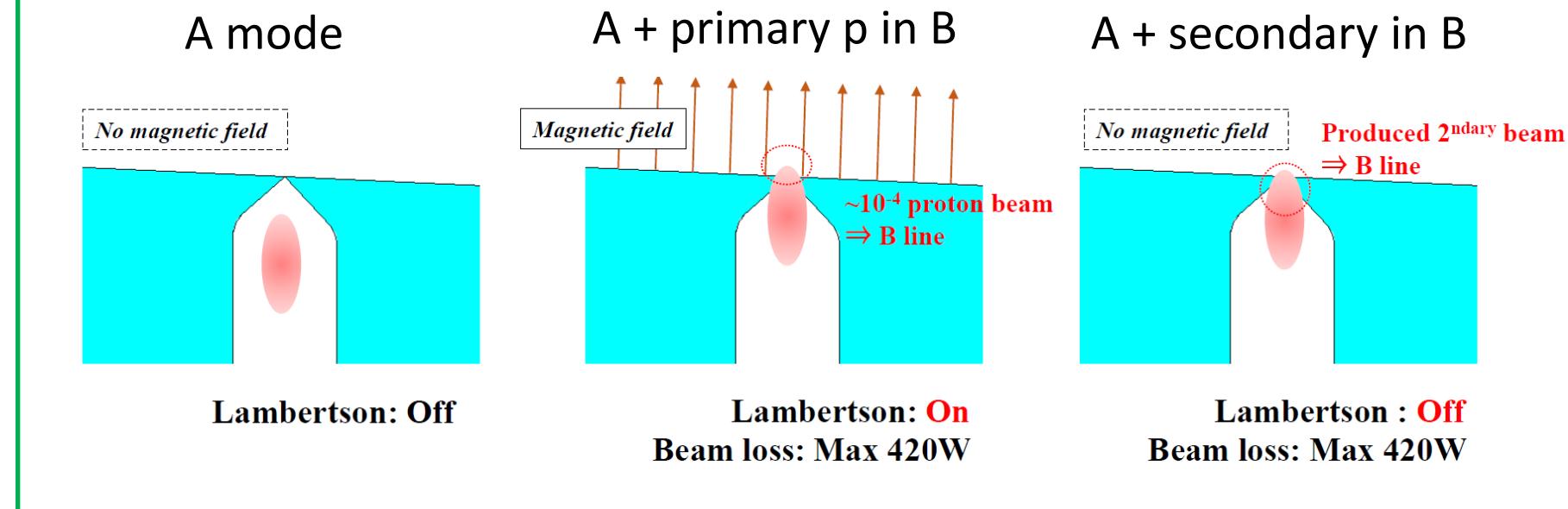
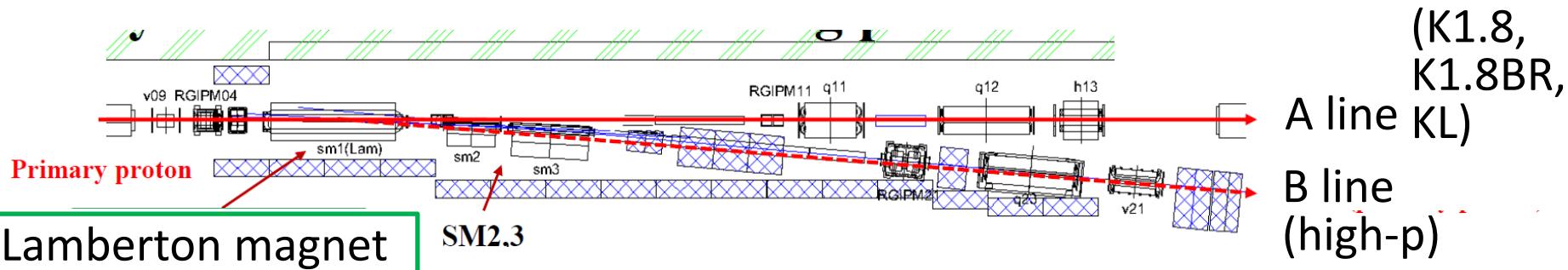
# High momentum secondary ( $\pi$ 20) beamline



- Place a target at the branching point
- Deliver negative/positive unseparated secondary beam ( $\pi$ /K/pbar/ $\mu$ ) up to 20 GeV/c
- Phase 1 : Use the existing magnet at the branching point as a target
  - Positive beam → **First delivery in 2025/Jan !!**
  - Negative beam → **Polarity change devices will be installed in FY2025**
- Phase 2 : Install a target & swinger magnet
- Phase 3 : Radiation shields for full intensity

# $\pi^{20}$ phase-I

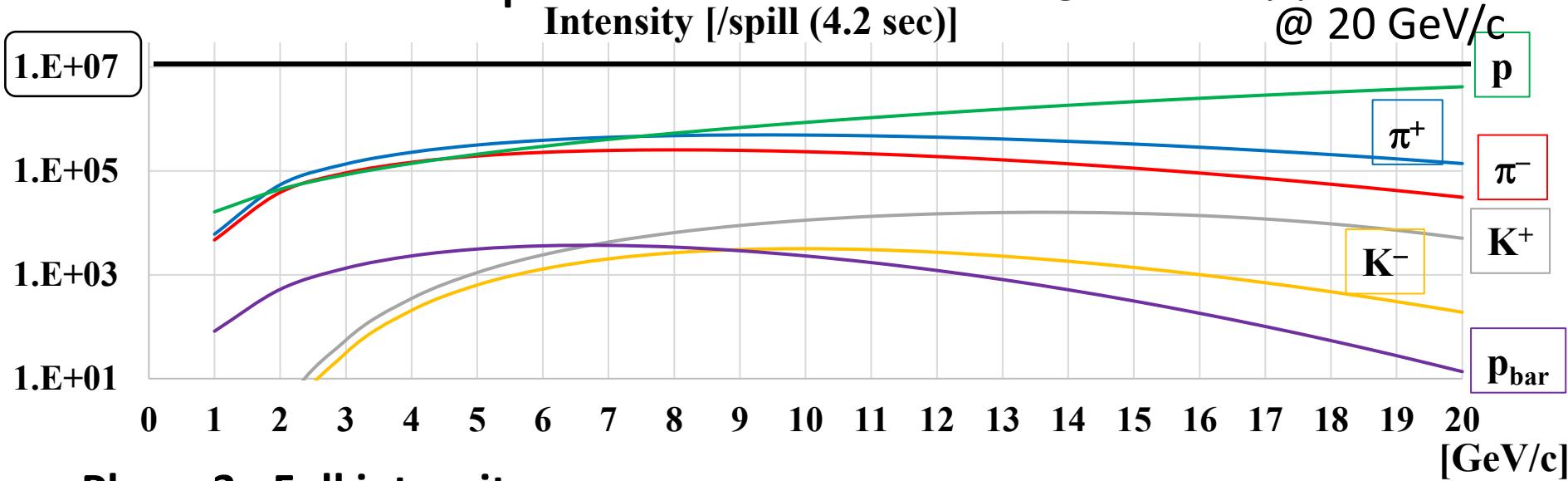
- Use the Lambertson magnet as a production target



# Expected beam intensity

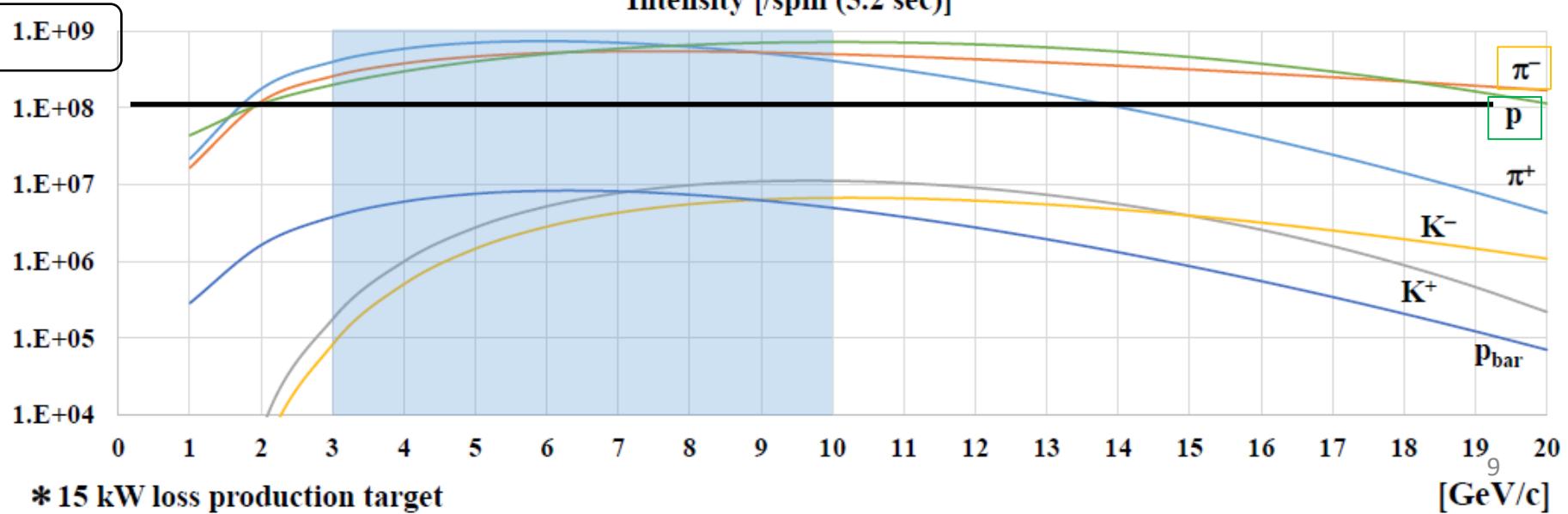
- Phase 1 : Current setup

high intensity p available  
@ 20 GeV/c



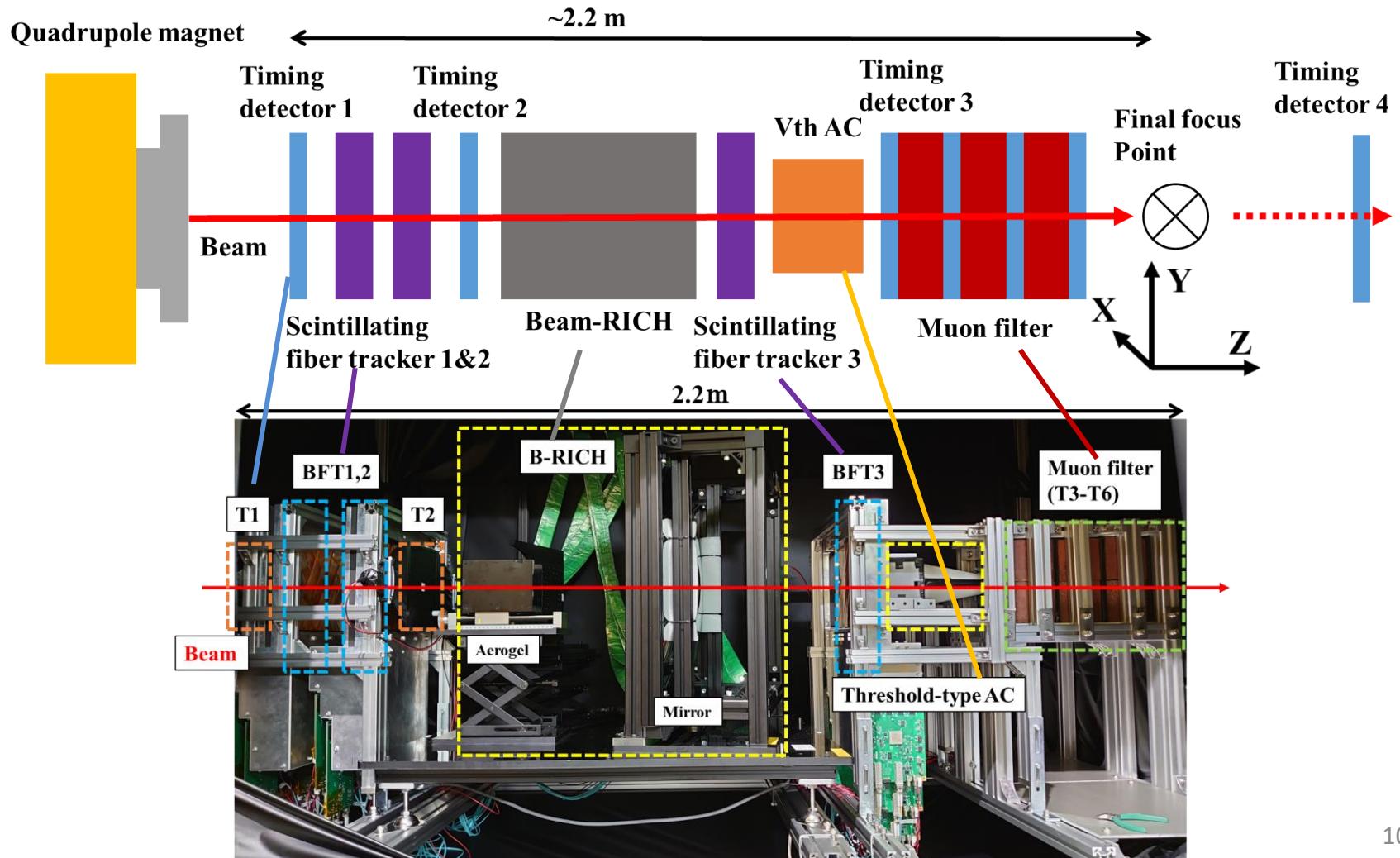
- Phase 3 : Full intensity

Intensity [/spill (5.2 sec)]



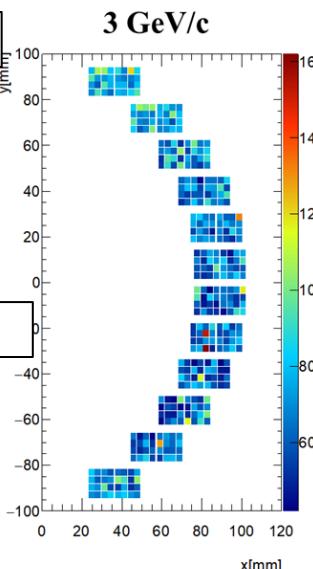
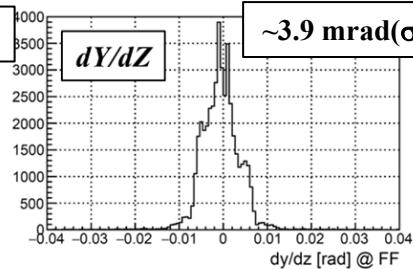
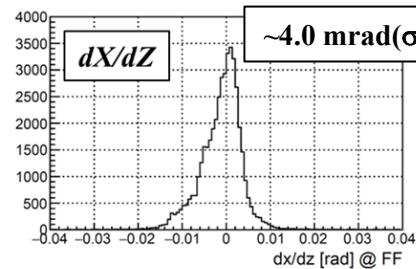
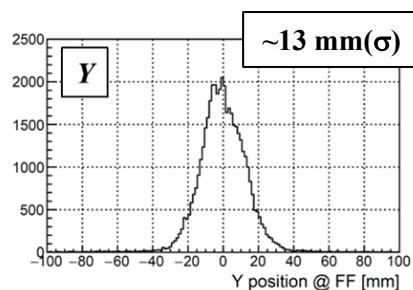
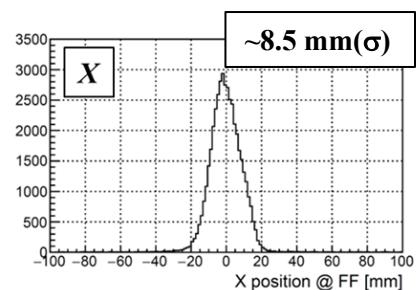
# 2025/Jan beam study

- 1<sup>st</sup> delivery of secondar beams at the high momentum beam line in J-PARC
- Study of secondary beam property (beam size, particle fraction)
- Positive 3/5/10 GeV/c



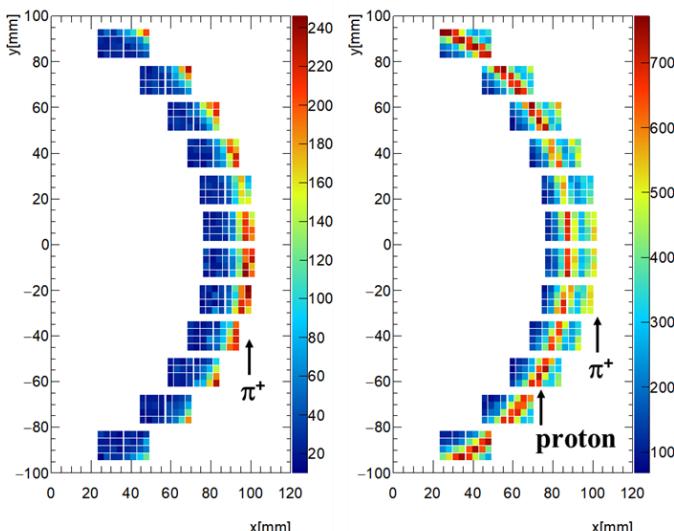
# 2025/Jan beam study

## Beam size

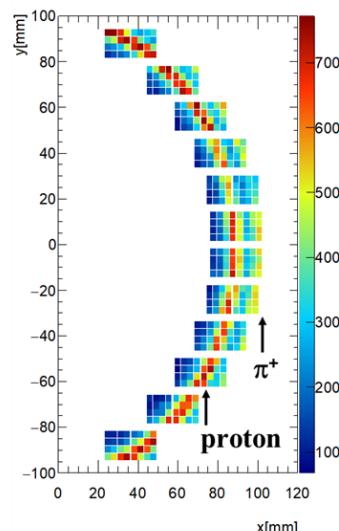


## beam RICH

5 GeV/c



10 GeV/c



- Successfully delivered/measured secondary beams
- $p:\pi^+ = 0.66:0.34, 0.60:0.40, 0.39:0.61$  (3, 5, 10 GeV/c)
- Consistent with simulation

# FY2025/2026

- Install polarity change devices to deliver negative beams
- Study beams at -2, -5, -8, -10, -15,  $\pm 20$  GeV/c

# MARQ spectrometer

Under construction

N. Tomida et al.,  
NIM A 1056  
168581 (2023)

Ready

N. Tomida et al.,  
JPS Conf. Proc.  
in press

Prototype

Prototype

Prototype

TOF-MRPC

1 m

LH<sub>2</sub> target

T0 detector

beam RICH

Ready

Fiber tracker

Ready

Ring Imaging  
Cherenkov  
(RICH)

Aerogel  
Cherenkov  
(AC)

TOF-tracker MRPC

Prototype

N. Tomida et al.,  
NIM A 1077  
170517 (2025)

Hadron  
Absorber

Drift  
Chamber

Scintillator  
TOF

5/6 Ready

Ready

T. Ishikawa et al.,  
NIM A 1039  
167164 (202)

R. Honda et al.,  
PTEP 123H01  
(2021)

FEEs

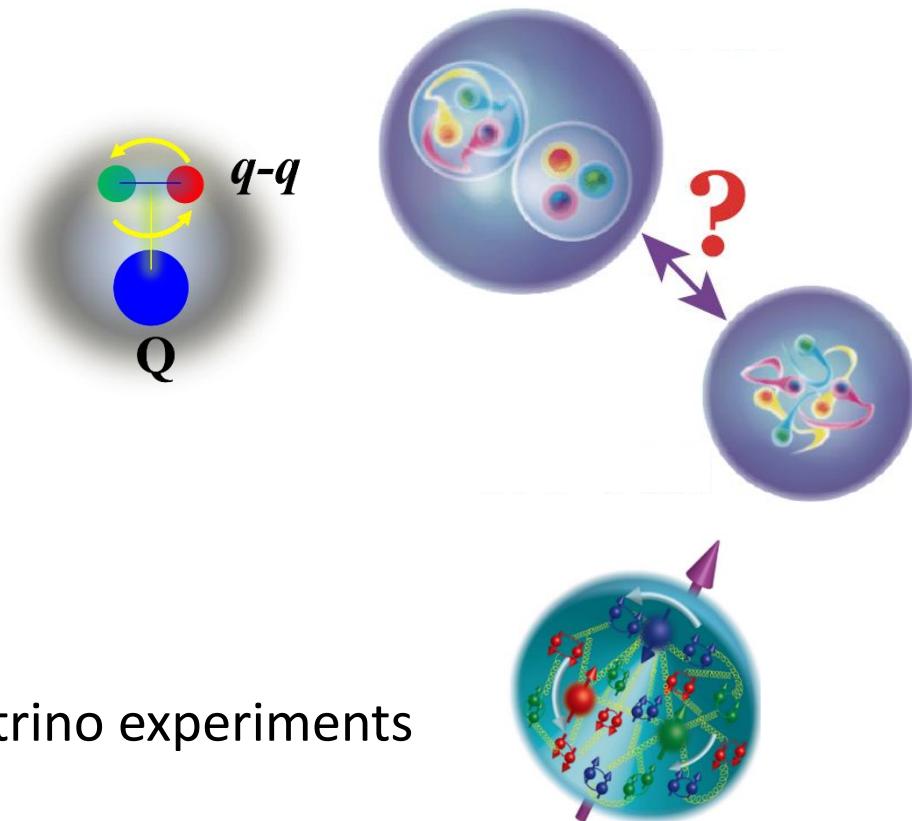
Ready

Multi purpose spectrometer  
Streaming DAQ

High momentum resolution  
PID < 16 GeV/c  
High rate stability : 1 MHz/1 mm<sub>12</sub>

# Physics program in MARQ

- **Hadron structure**
  - Charmed baryon spectroscopy
  - $\Xi$  ( $s=-2$ ) baryon spectroscopy
- **Exotic hadrons**
  - High isospin dibaryon search
  - $P_s$  Pentaquark search
- **Elementary cross sections**
  - $\Lambda p$  scattering cross section
  - Hadronic cross sections for neutrino experiments
- **Nucleon structure**
  - Measurement of Generalized Parton Distribution Functions (GPDs)
  - Color Transparency



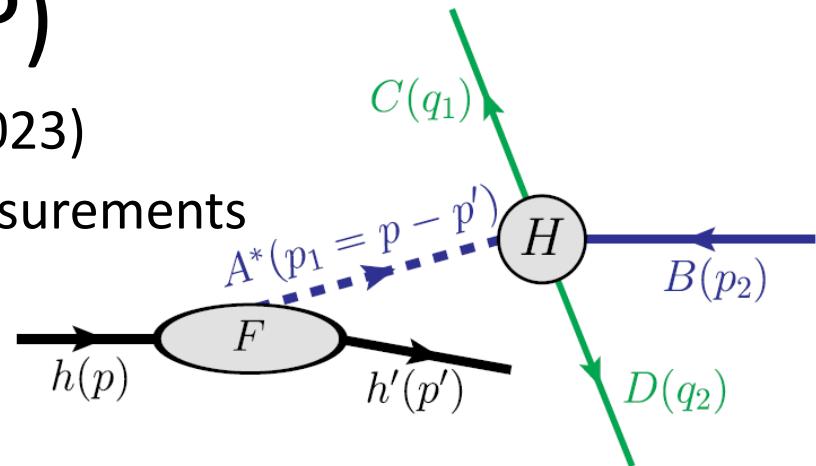
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# Single Diffractive Hard Exclusive Process (SDHEP)

- J.-W. Qiu and Z. Yu PRD 107 014007 (2023)

Generalization of processes for GPDs measurements

$$B + p \rightarrow C + D + p' \text{ (2} \rightarrow 3 \text{ process)}$$



Diffractive production of  $A^*$  :  $p \rightarrow A^* + p'$

Exclusive  $2 \rightarrow 2$  scattering :  $A^* + B \rightarrow C + D$

- B, C, D can be lepton, gamma or hadron
- C, D : large transverse momentum  $\gg$  four momentum transfer



Cross section depends on **GPDs**

$$\mathcal{M}_{he \rightarrow h'eM_D}^{(2)} = \sum_{i,j} \int_{-1}^1 dx \int_0^1 dz_D \times F_i^{hh'}(x, \xi, t) C_{ie \rightarrow ej}(x, \xi; z_D; q_T) \phi_{j/D}(z_D),$$

# Single Diffractive Hard Exclusive Process (SDHEP)

Lepton beam

- $l + N \rightarrow l' + \gamma + N'$  (DVCS)
- $l + N \rightarrow l' + M + N'$  (DVMP)

PRD 107 014007 (2023)

$\gamma$  beam

- $\gamma + N \rightarrow l^+ + l^- + N'$  (TCS)
- $\gamma + N \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma + N'$
- $\gamma + N \rightarrow \gamma + M + N'$  Jul/29 morning session
- $\gamma + N \rightarrow M + M + N'$

Meson beam

- $M + N \rightarrow l^+ + l^- + N'$  (Exclusive Drell-Yan) E.R. Berger, PLB 523 (2001) 265
- $M + N \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma + N'$  S.V. Goloskokov, PLB 748 (2015) 323 J.-W. Qiu and Z. Yu PRD 109 (2024) 074023
- $M + N \rightarrow \gamma + M + N'$
- $M + N \rightarrow M + M + N'$

Proton beam

- $N + N \rightarrow M + B + N'$  S. Kumano et al., PRD 80 (2009) 074003

Neutrino beam

- $\nu + N \rightarrow l + \pi + N'$  X. Chen et al., EPJ A 60 (2024) 208

We can study GPDs using variety of beams

# GPDs studies at J-PARC

## Meson beam

- $M + N \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma + N' : O(10-100) \text{ pb}$       Cross sections estimated
- $M + N \rightarrow l^+ + l^- + N' : O(1-10) \text{ pb}$

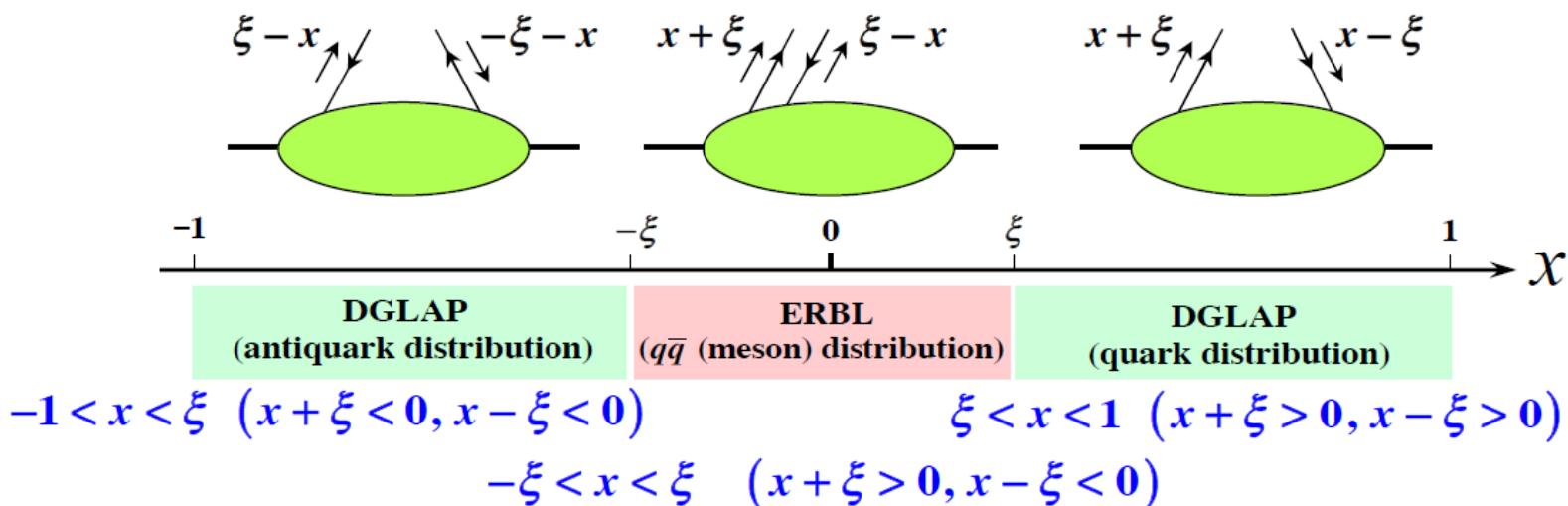
## Proton beam

- $N + N \rightarrow M + B + N' : O \mu\text{b}$

N. Tomida,  
EPJ Web Conf. 303 (2024) 03005

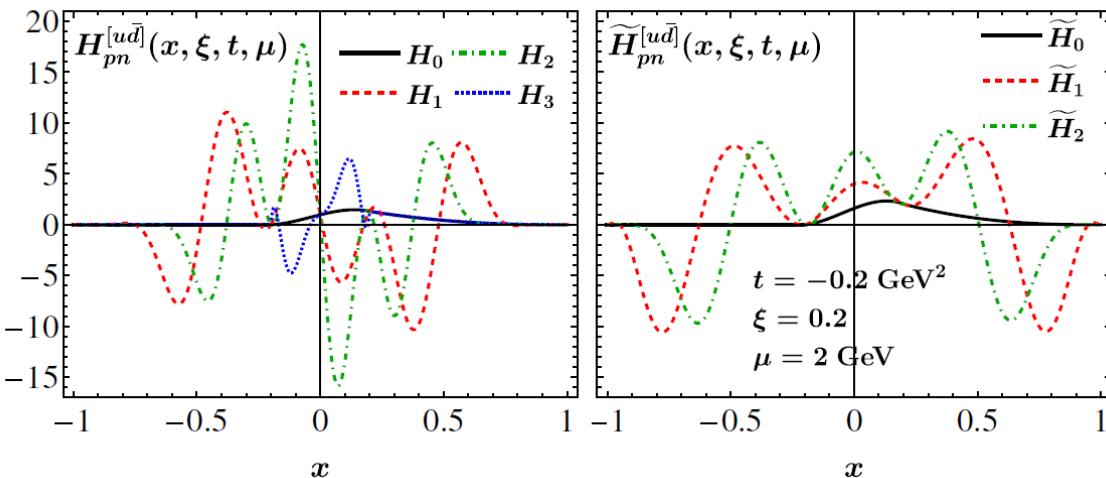
Some processes can access to

- $x$ -dependence of GPDs
- ERBL region

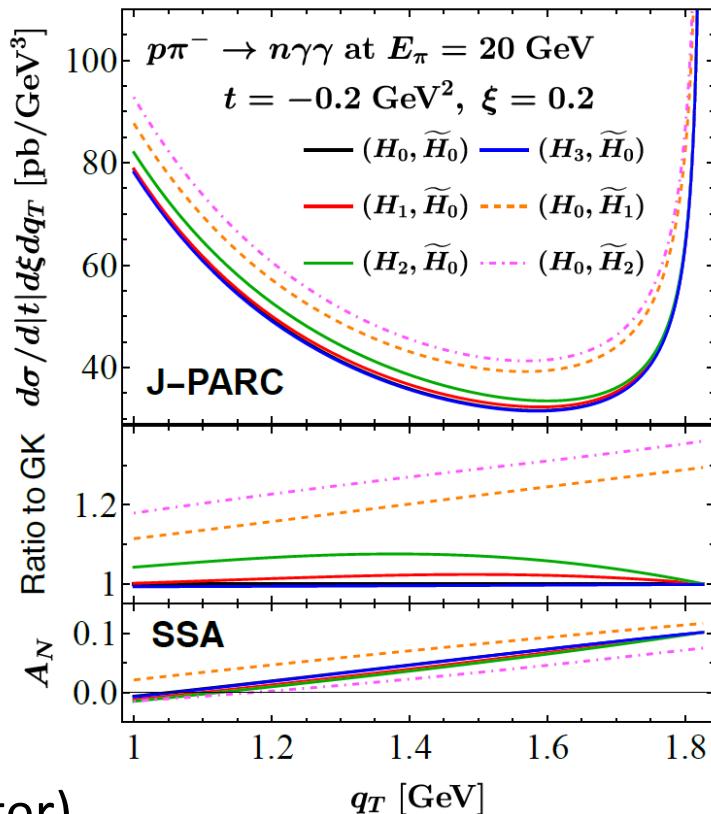


# $\pi^- + p \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma + n$

- J.-W. Qiu and Z. Yu, PRD 109 (2024) 074023
  - $\gamma\gamma$  : Large opposite transverse momentum
  - **x dependence of GPDs can be measured**
  - **Can differentiate shadow GPDs and real GPDs**
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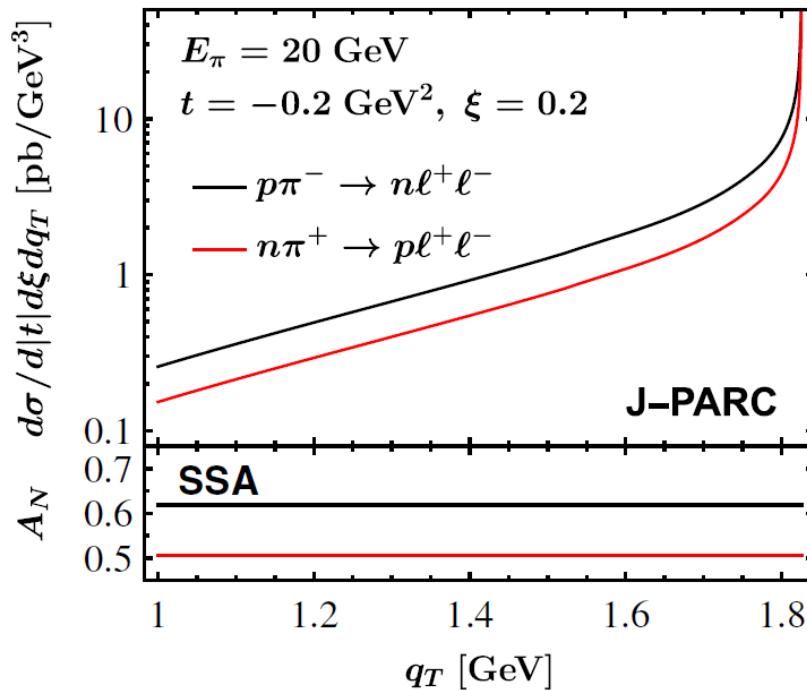


- O(10-100) pb
- Need full intensity  $\pi 20$  beam
- Need an electromagnetic calorimeter  
(Not included in the current MARQ spectrometer)



$$\pi^- + p \rightarrow \mu^+ + \mu^- + n$$

- Exclusive Drell-Yan
  - Inverse reaction of Deeply Virtual Meson Production (DVMP)
  - We can access to polarized GPDs
  - E.R. Berger, PLB 523 (2001) 265
  - S.V. Goloskokov, PLB 748 (2015) 323
  - S. Sawada et al., PRD 93 (2016) 114034 → Feasibility study
  - J.-W. Qiu and Z. Yu, PRD 109 (2024) 074023                    the MARQ spectrometer

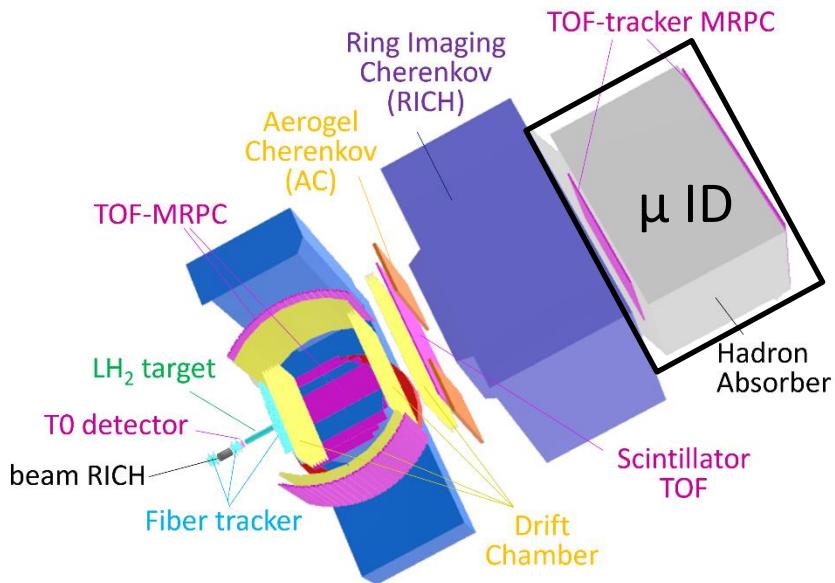


J.-W. Qiu and Z. Yu,  
PRD 109 (2024) 074023

- We cannot access to the x-dependence of GPDs



- Feasibility using the MARQ spectrometer



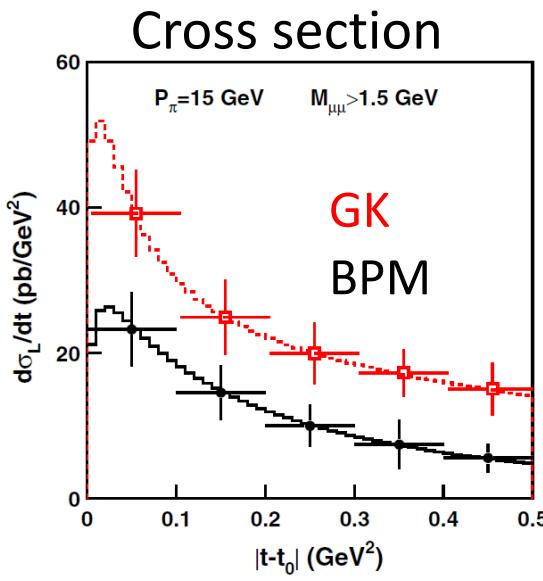
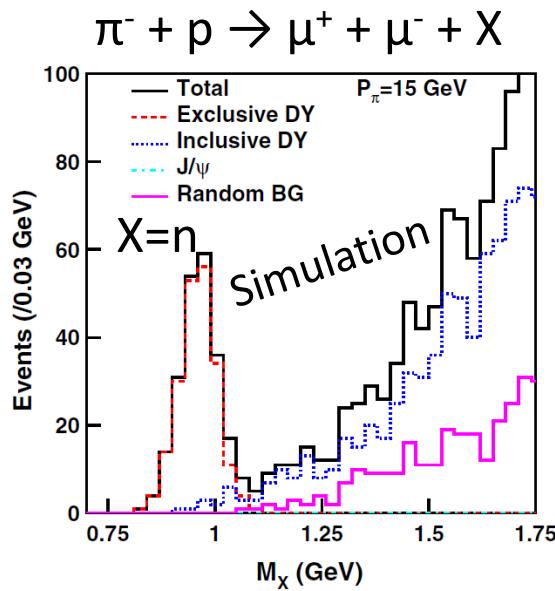
S. Sawada et al., PRD 93 (2016) 114034

Upstream (COMPASS, Sea Quest)



Absorber @ downstream of the tracker

⇒ Good momentum resolution  
enough to identify exclusive reaction



- $O(1-10) \text{ pb}$
- Need full intensity  $\pi 20$  beam

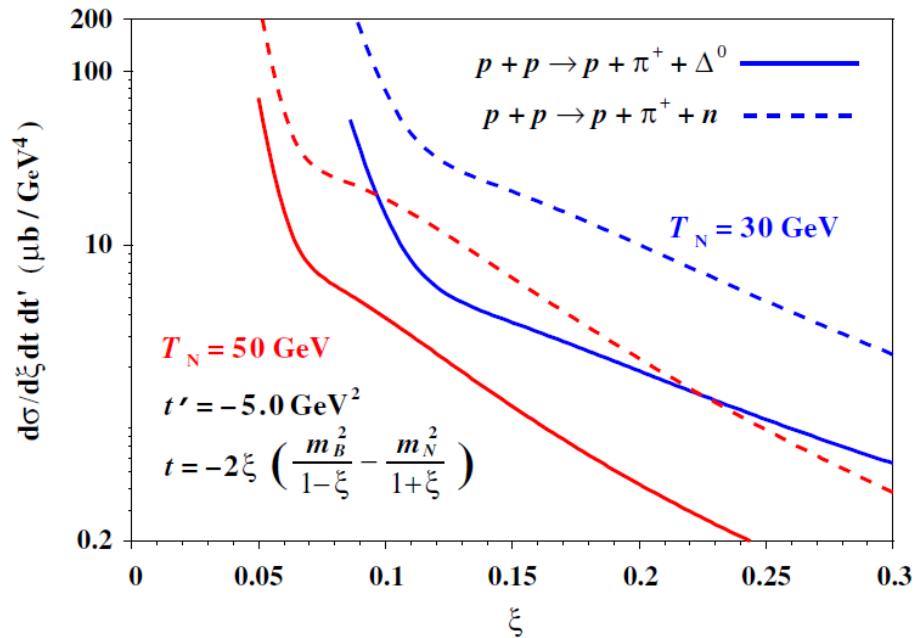
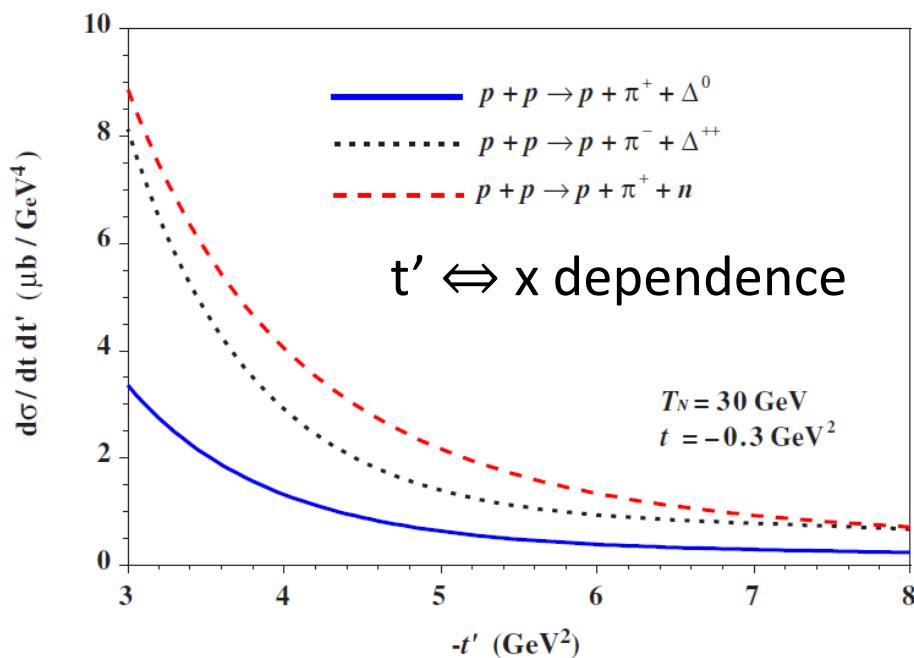


- S. Kumano et al., PRD 80 (2009) 074003
- $p$  and  $\pi$  : large and nearly opposite transverse momenta & large invariant energy

$$p + p \rightarrow p + \pi^+ + \Delta^0$$

$$p + p \rightarrow p + \pi^- + \Delta^{++}$$

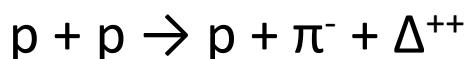
$$p + p \rightarrow p + \pi^+ + n$$



- Pure hadronic reaction  $\rightarrow$  very large cross section ( $0 \mu\text{b}$ )
- Can probe x dependence of GPDs
- Can access the ERBL region
- Transition GPDs



- Forward PID detectors ( $p, \pi^+$  in  $\Theta < 10^\circ$  )
- Missing Mass :  $p+p \rightarrow p+\pi^++X$



- Side PID detectors
- Invariant mass :  $\Delta^0 \rightarrow p + \pi^-, \Delta^{++} \rightarrow p + \pi^+$

### mini MARQ spectrometer

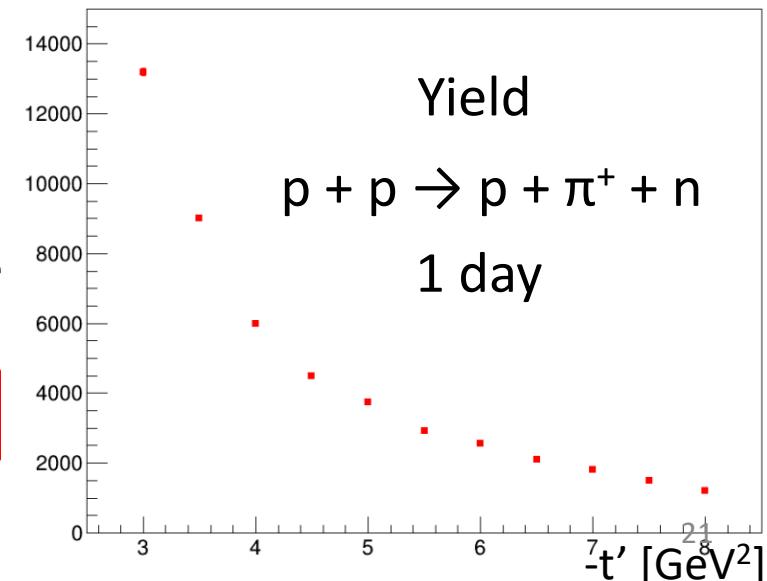
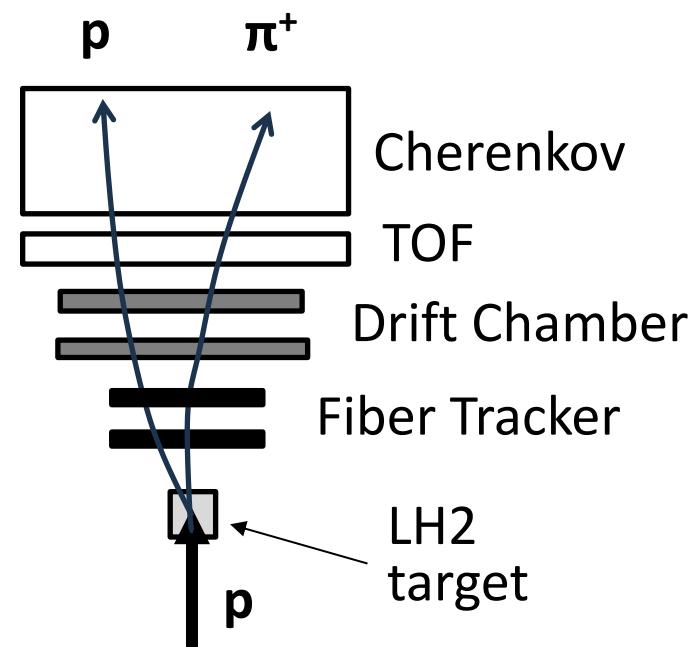
- FM magnet + Trackers (ready) + Gas Cherenkov Detector ( $p/\pi$  PID)

$\mu b$  cross section

- Enough statistics within 1 day beam time

Can be an early-stage experiment in MARQ

You are welcome to join



# Summary

- High momentum secondary beam is now available in J-PARC ( $\pi$ 20 beamline)
- Multi-purpose MARQ spectrometer is under construction

- Single Diffractive Hard Exclusive Processes (SDHEP) to measure GPDs
  - $B + p \rightarrow C + D + p'$
  - B, C, D can be lepton, gamma or **hadron**
  - C, D : large transverse momentum  $\gg$  four momentum transfer

- Feasibility study at J-PARC
  - $\pi^- + p \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma + n$  : full intensity  $\pi$ 20, EM calorimeter
  - $\pi^- + p \rightarrow \mu^+ + \mu^- + n$  : full intensity  $\pi$ 20, MARQ spectrometer +  $\mu$  ID
  - $p + p \rightarrow p + \pi + B$  : can be an early-stage experiment at MARQ  
**x dependence of GPDs, ERBL region**

- Other possible measurements at J-PARC
  - $M + N \rightarrow \gamma + M + N'$
  - $M + N \rightarrow M + M + N'$

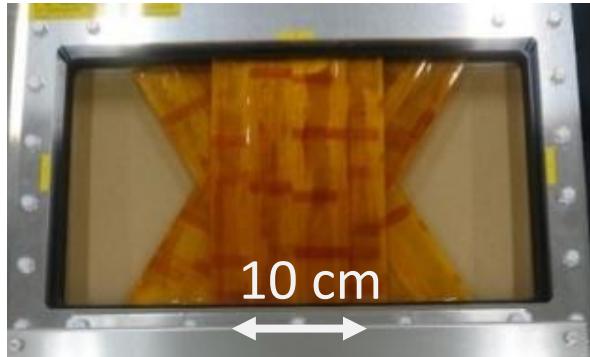
# Backup

# Tracking detectors

## Fiber Trackers

- High rate : 1 MHz/mm
- Fiber scintillators

Beam Fiber Tracker (0.5 mm  $\Phi$ )



Scattered Fiber Tracker (1.0 mm  $\Phi$ )



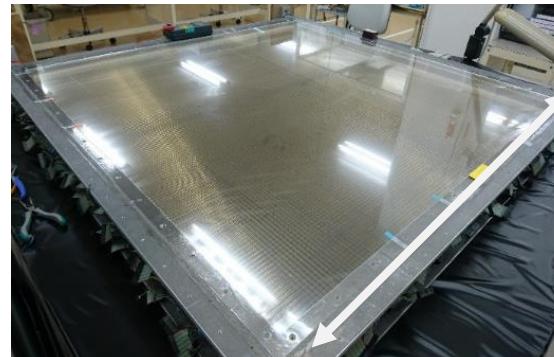
x6 : Ready

## Drift Chamber (DC)

- Large acceptance

Inner DC

Target Downstream DC

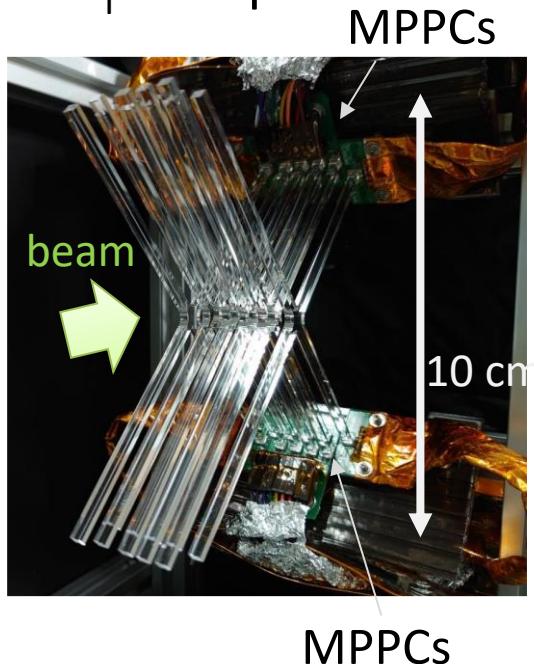


x5 : ready  
x1 : planned

# TOF detectors

## T0

- Cherenkov + MPPC
- Suppression of dark currents using shot key barrier diode
- $\sigma_T \sim 30 \text{ ps}$



Ready

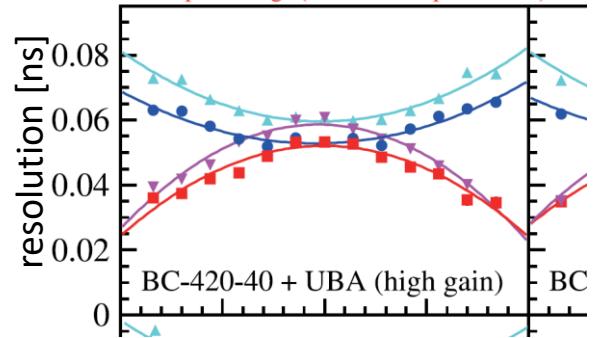
## Forward TOF

- 1.8 m-long scintillator + PMT

T. Ishikawa et al.,  
NIM A 1039 (2022)  
167164

Ready

▲ weighted average (30 mm penetration)  
● weighted average (40 or 70 mm penetration)  
▼ simple average (30 mm penetration)  
■ simple average (40 or 70 mm penetration)

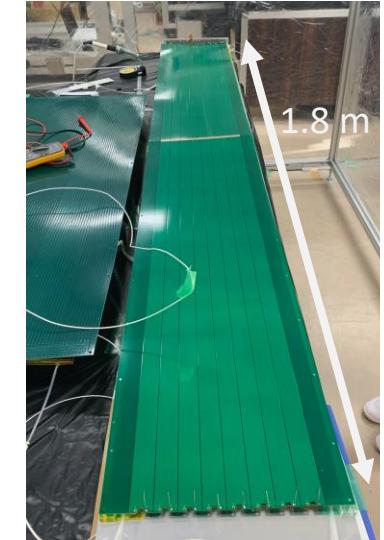


## Side TOF

- 1.8 m-long Resistive Plate Chamber (RPC)

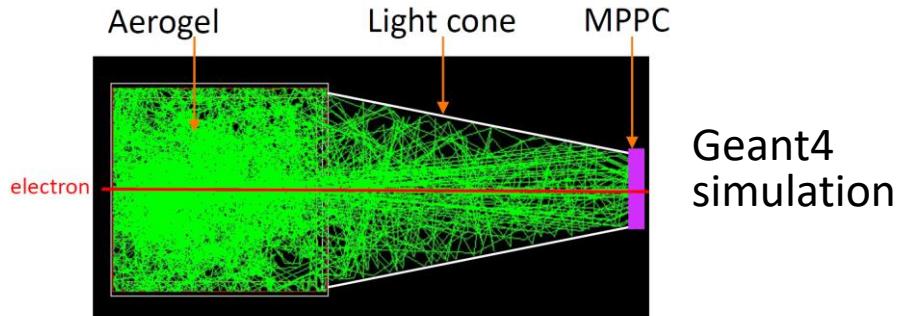
N. Tomida et al.,  
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Prototype tests



# PID detectors

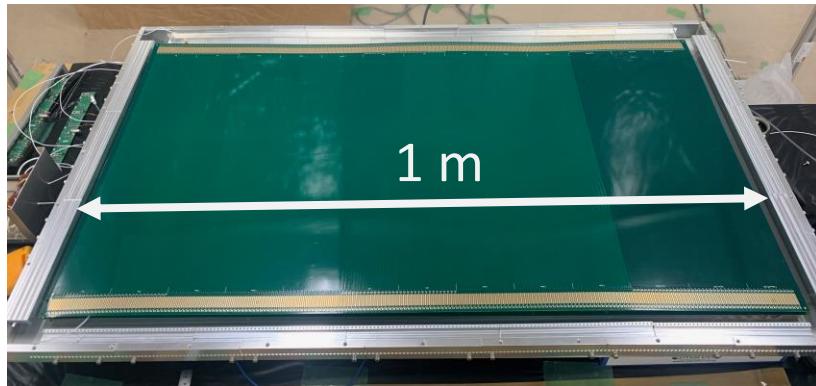
## Threshold type Aerogel Cherenkov



Light cone + MPPC : design completed

## $\mu$ ID tracker

- Multigap Resistive Plate Chamber (MRPC) based tracker



N. Tomida et al., NIM A 1077 170517 (2025)  
Prototype test

## Ring Imaging Cherenkov detector (RICH)

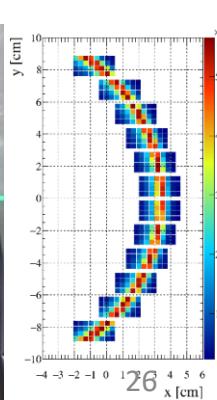
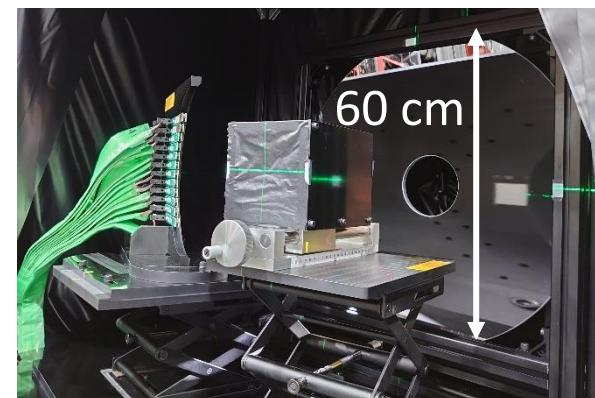


- MPPC + light guide cone

Prototype test

## beam RICH (bRICH)

- MPPC Ready



# Electronics

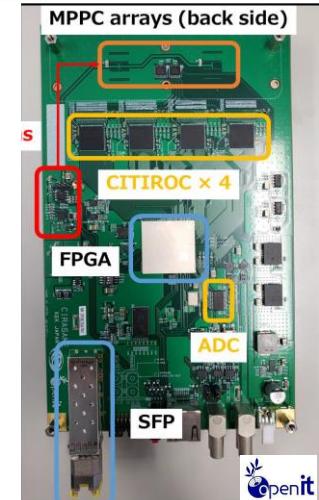
## ASAGI

- Amp-Shaper-Discriminator Card for DCs
- Ready



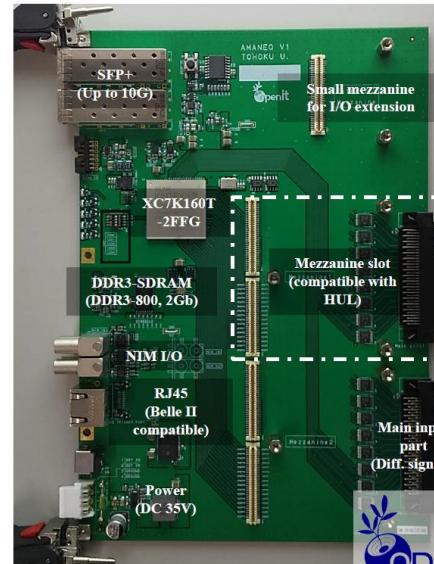
## CIRASAME

- Multi MPPC readout card for Fiber Trackers and Cherenkov counters
- Ready



## AMANEQ

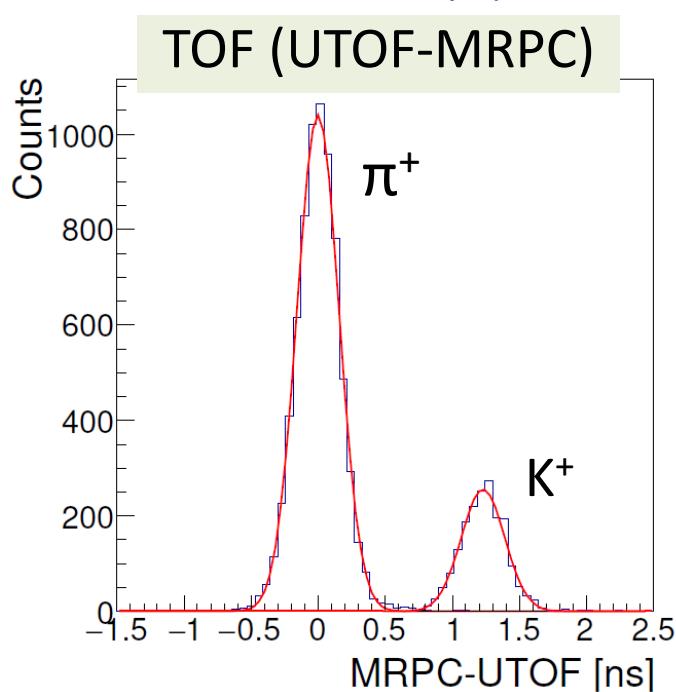
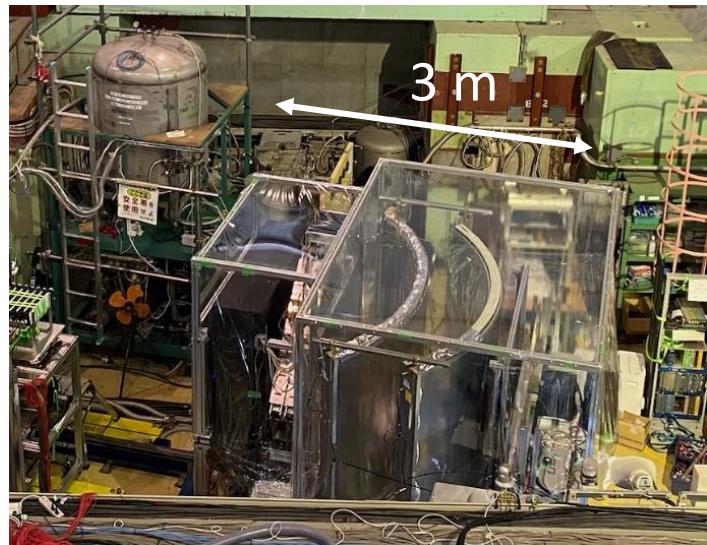
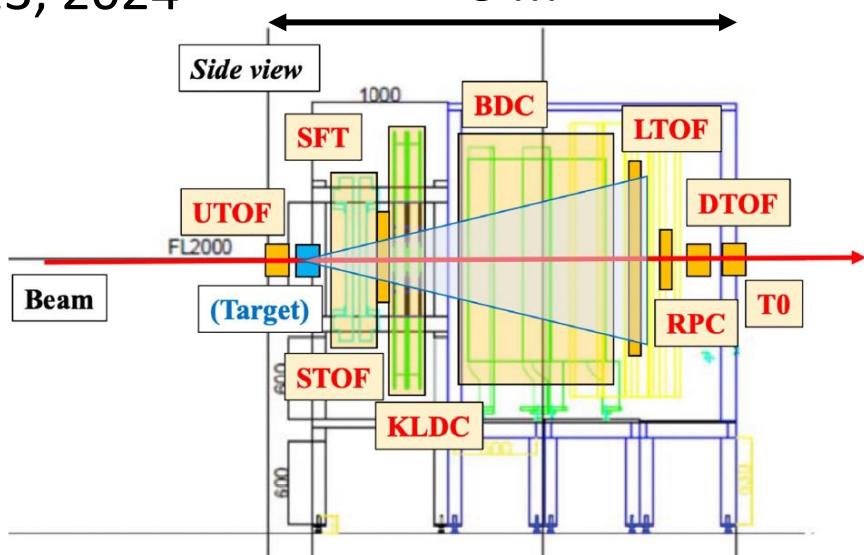
- The main electronics board for the streaming data acquisition system
- Mezzanine card
  - HR-TDC
  - LR-TDC
  - Clock distribution
- Ready



# Detector Test @ J-PARC K1.8BR beamline

- 2023, 2024

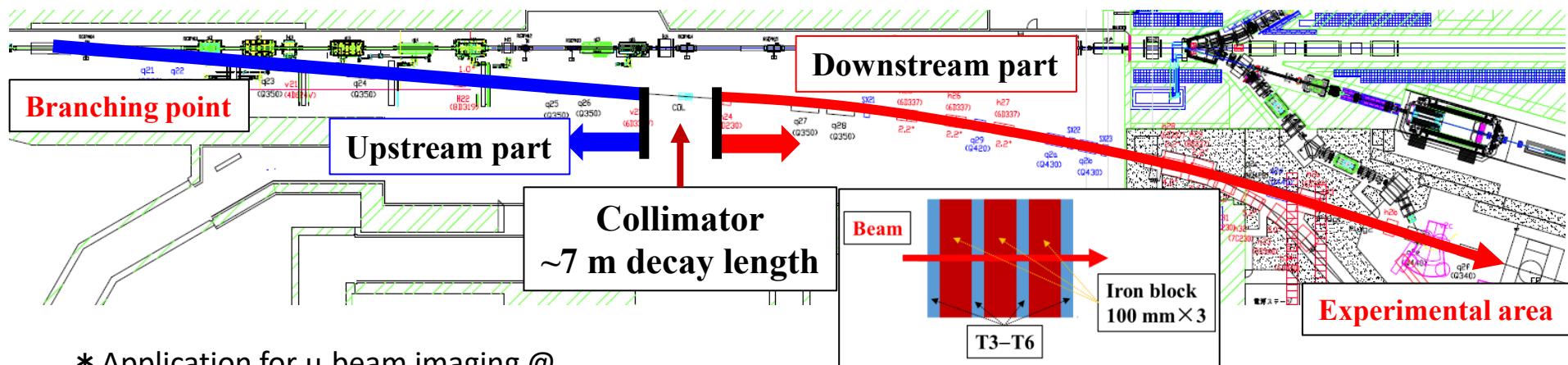
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- First streaming DAQ test  
⇒ success !!
- Online filtering works
- $\pi/K$  separation with TOF



# T106 results: Study of $\mu$ beam @ $\mu$ 20 mode



\* Application for  $\mu$  beam imaging @ Several GeV/c

→  $\mu$ 20 mode: Magnet setting [Downstream]/[Upstream] = 60, 75, 80, 85%

\* Measured  $\mu$  beam properties @ 5 GeV/c (60%)

- Intensity ~2 k/spill
- Purity ~99%

