

J-PARC KOTO実験における $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu\bar{\nu}$ 崩壊探索

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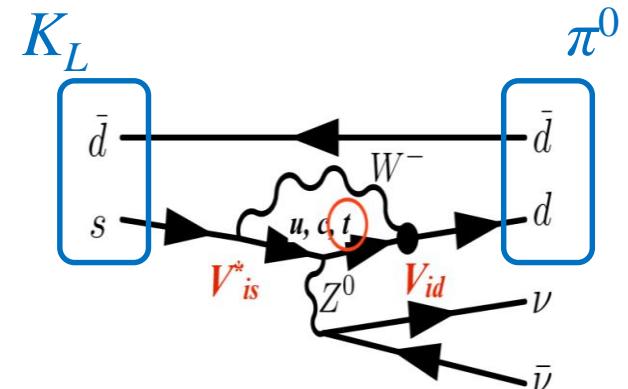
Introduction



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

- Direct CP violation
- Flavor Changing Neutral Current
- 標準模型の分岐比 $\sim 3 \times 10^{-11}$
 - small theoretical uncertainty: $\sim 1\%$

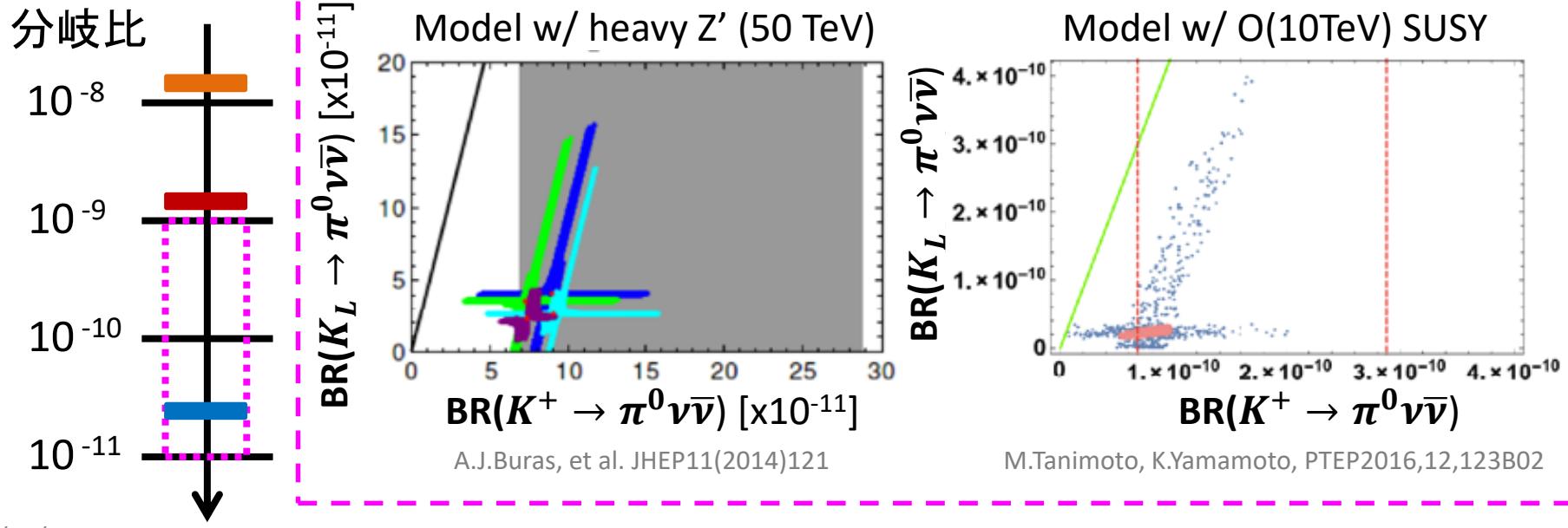
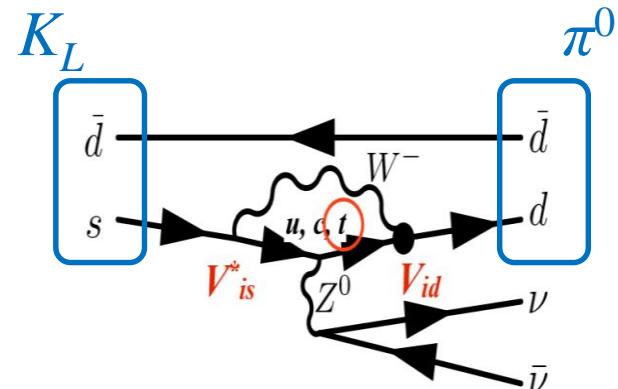
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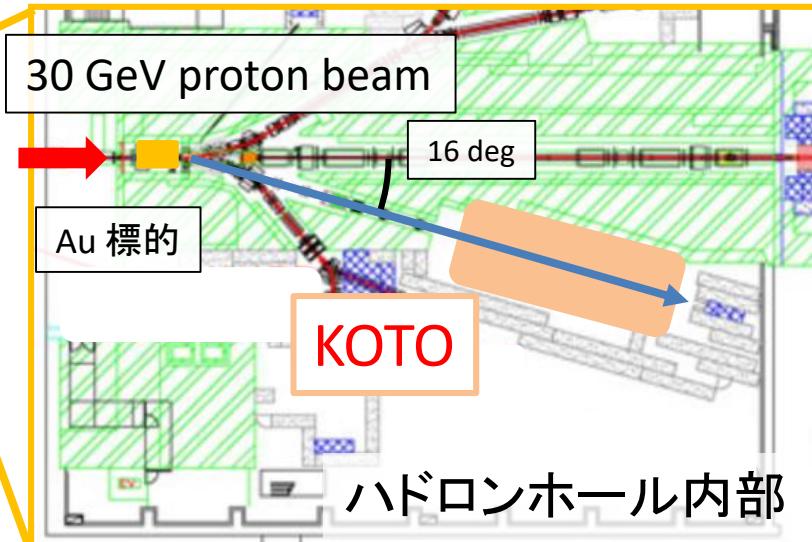
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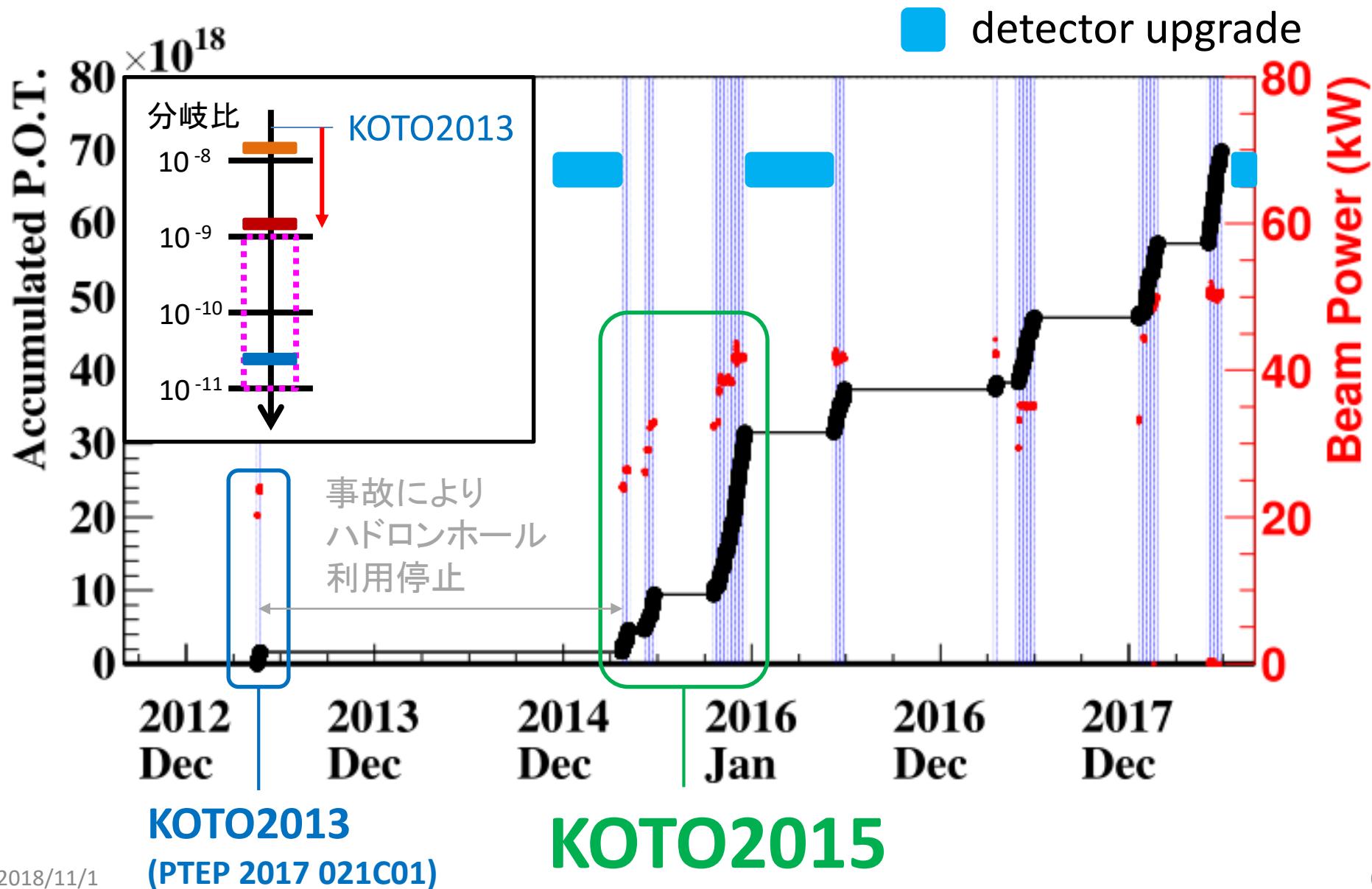
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J-PARC KOTO 実験

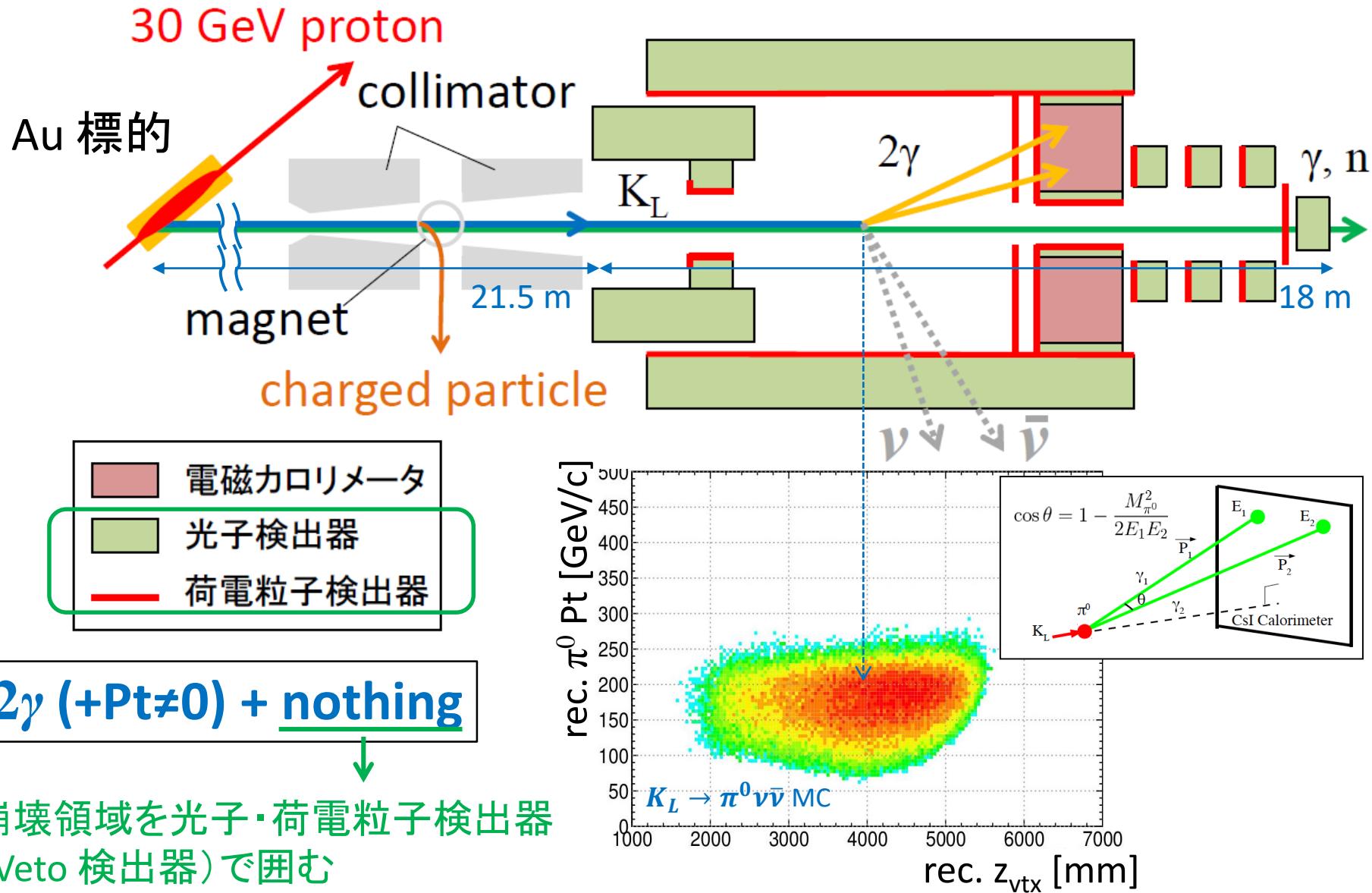


KOTO実験の軌跡



Analysis Outline

実験原理



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Blind Analysis

Background Estimation

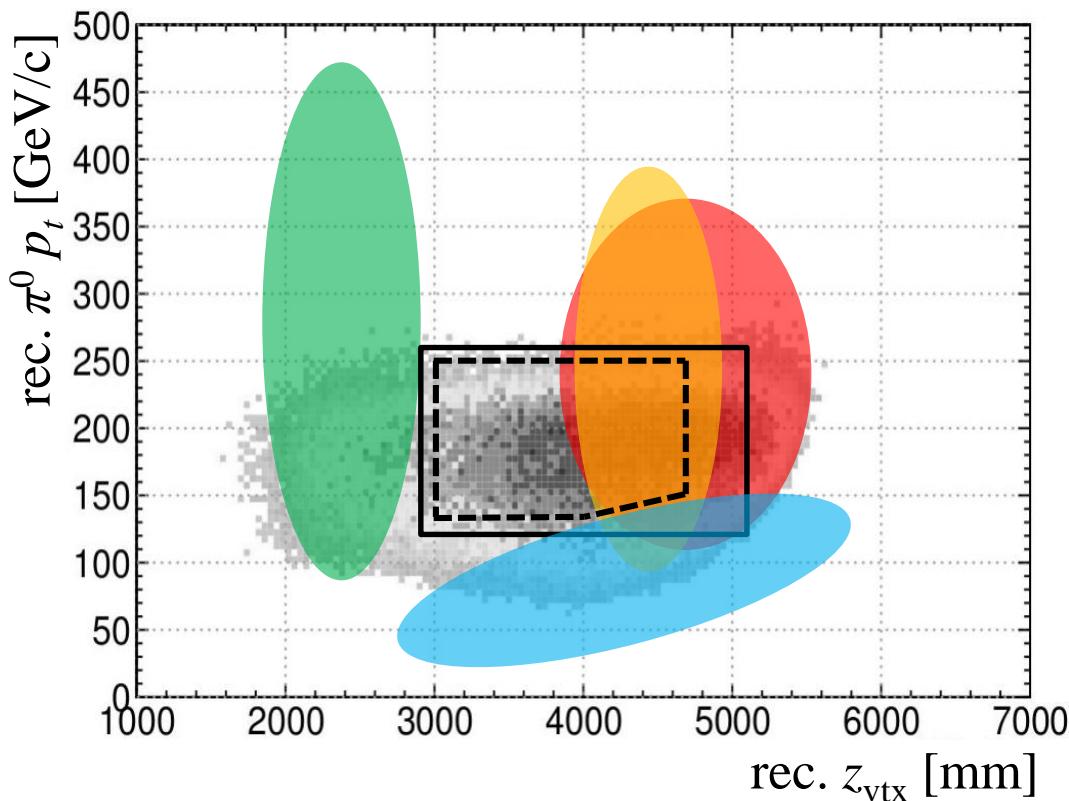
Number of Background Events
← MC simulation & control samples

Single Event Sensitivity

K_L flux
← normalization mode analysis ($K_L \rightarrow 2\pi^0$)
Signal Acceptance
← MC simulation ($K_L \rightarrow \pi^0\nu\bar{\nu}$)

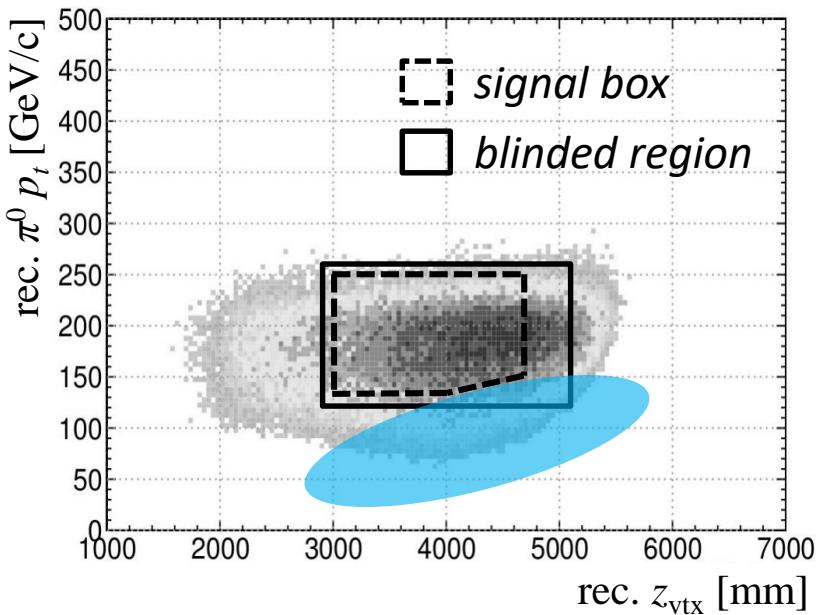
After fixing all the analysis configuration
→ ***open signal box***

Background Sources



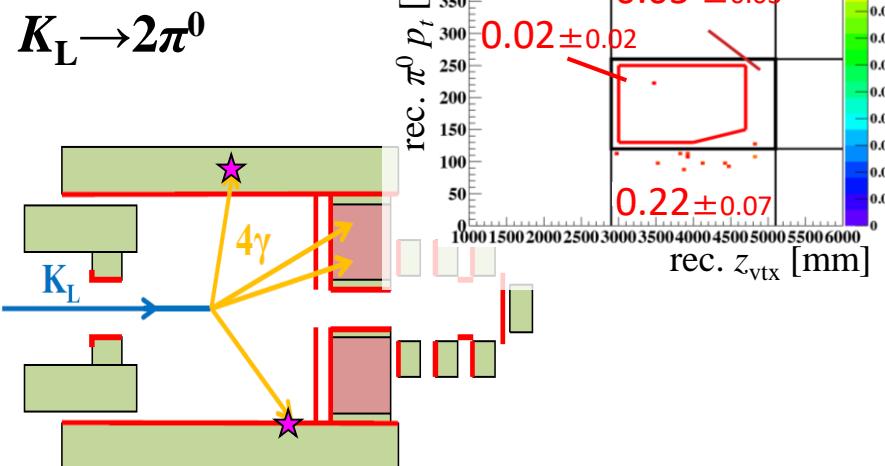
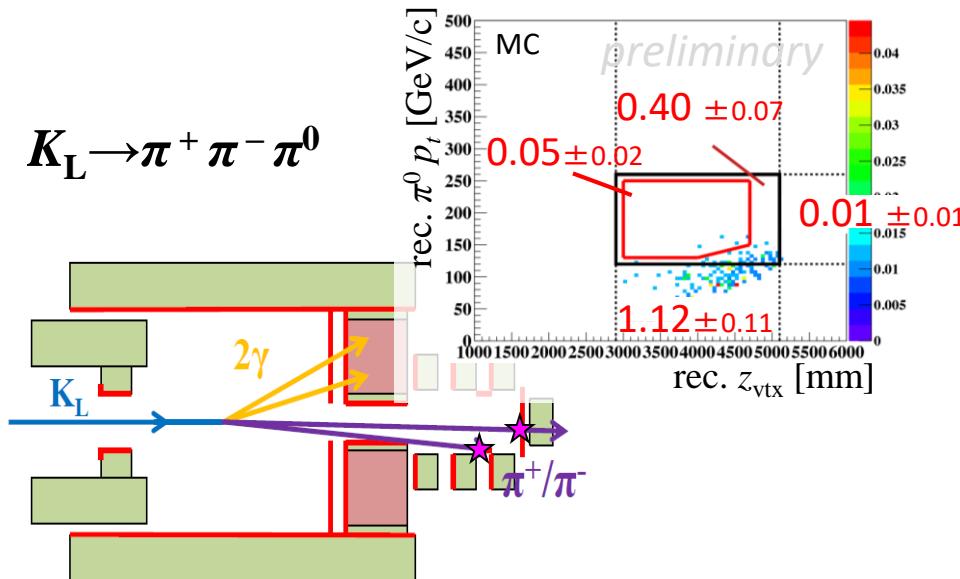
- [dashed box] *signal box*
- [solid box] *blinded region*
- [blue circle] K_L Decays
- [red circle] Hadron Cluster Background
- [green circle] Upstream- π^0 Background
- [yellow circle] CV- η Background

K_L Decays

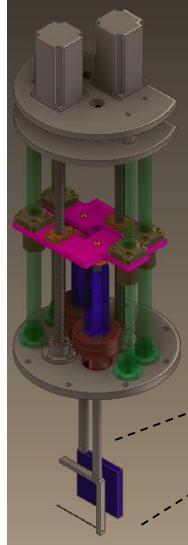
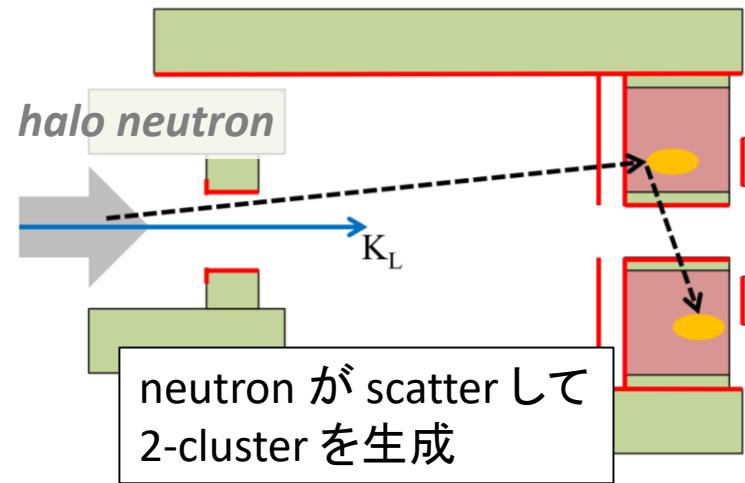
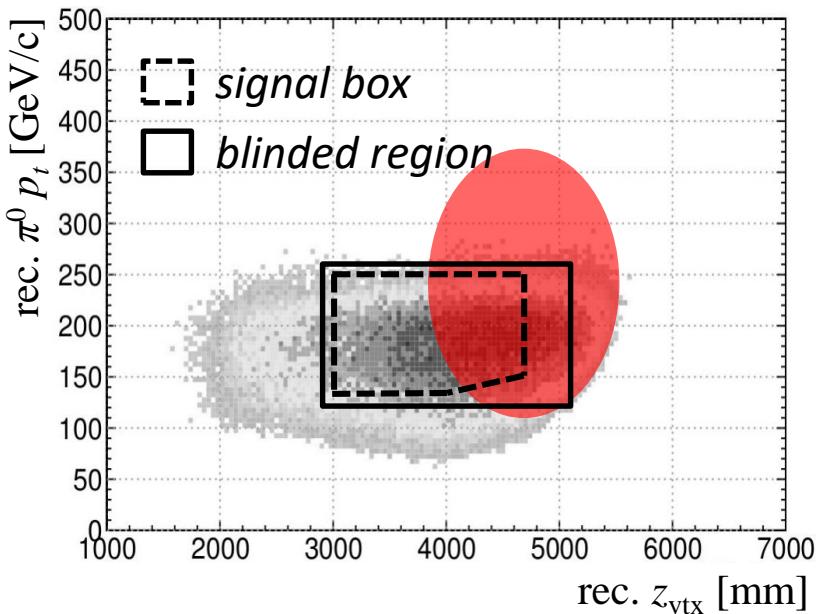


#BG inside *signal box*

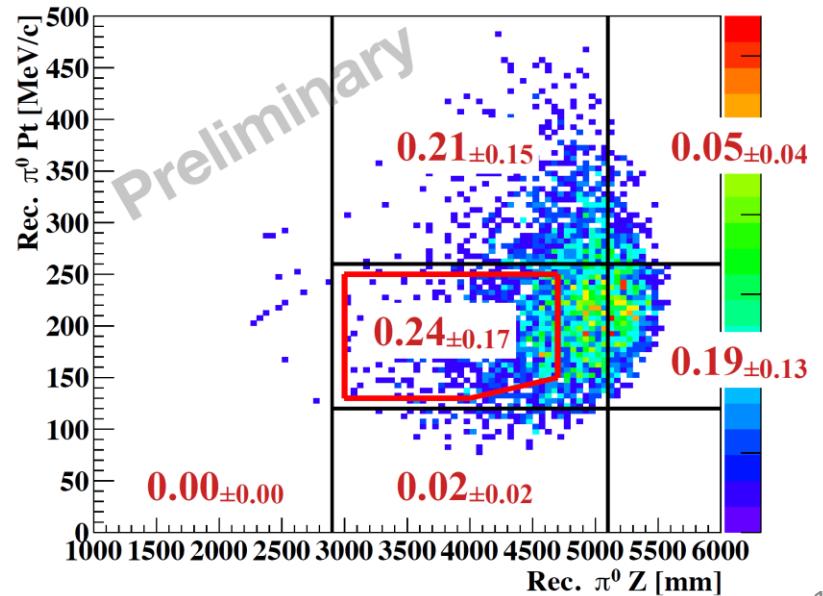
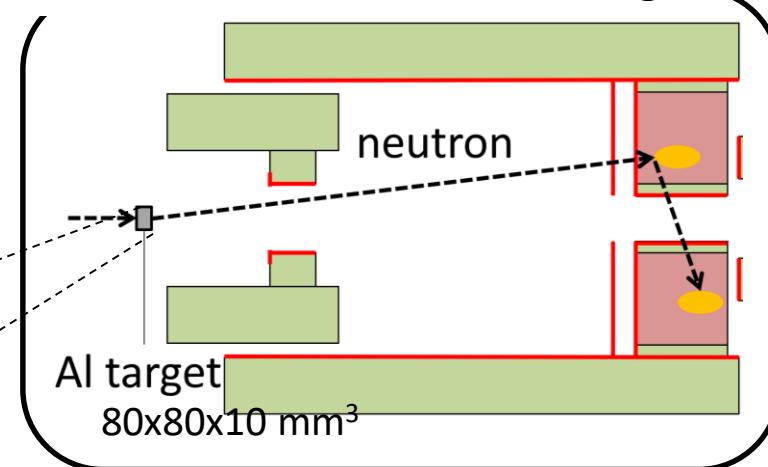
$K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$	$0.05 +/- 0.02$
$K_L \rightarrow 2\pi^0$	$0.02 +/- 0.02$
other K_L decays	$0.03 +/- 0.01$



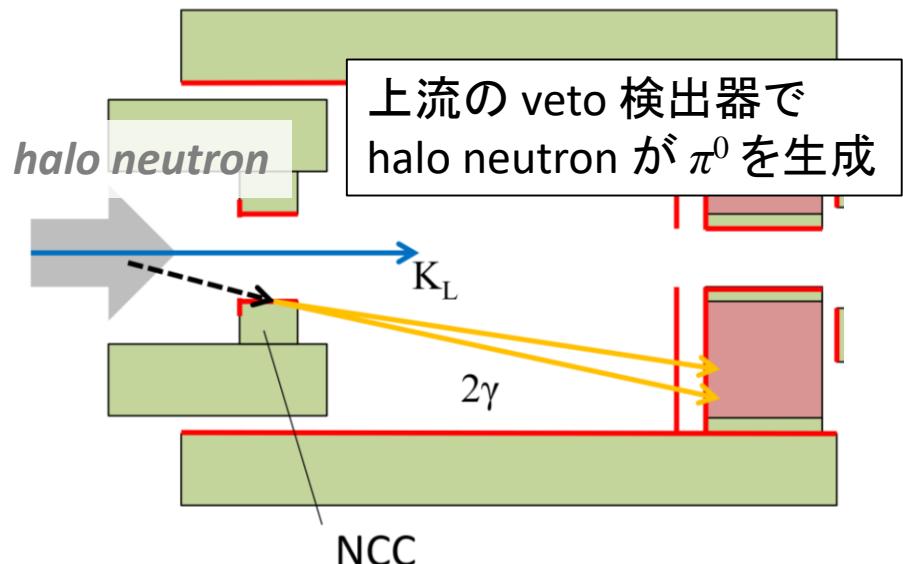
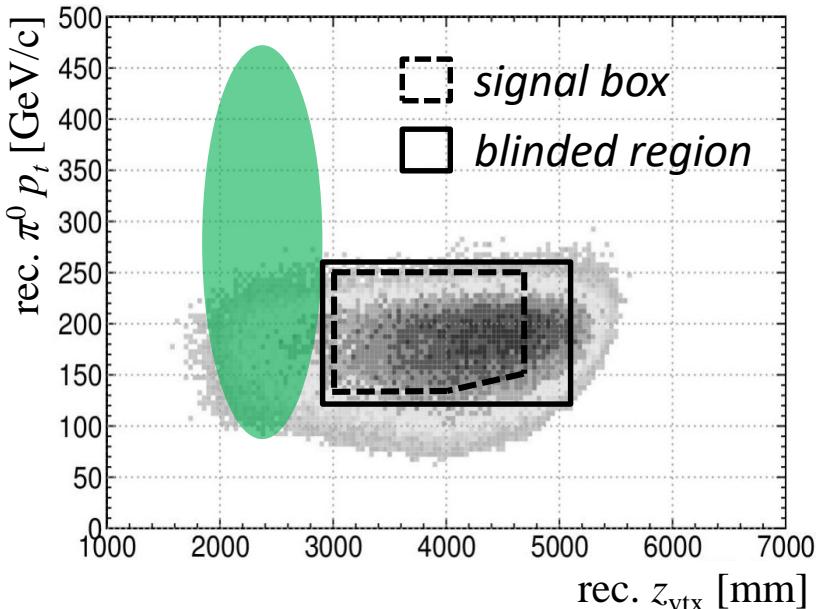
Background Sources: Hadron Cluster Background



Neutron-Enriched Data Taking



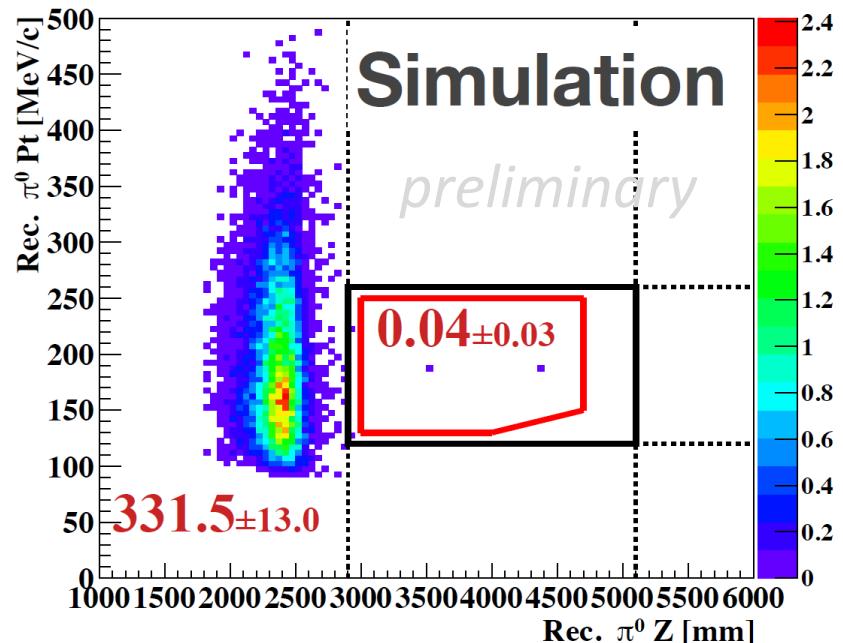
Background Sources: Upstream- π^0 Background



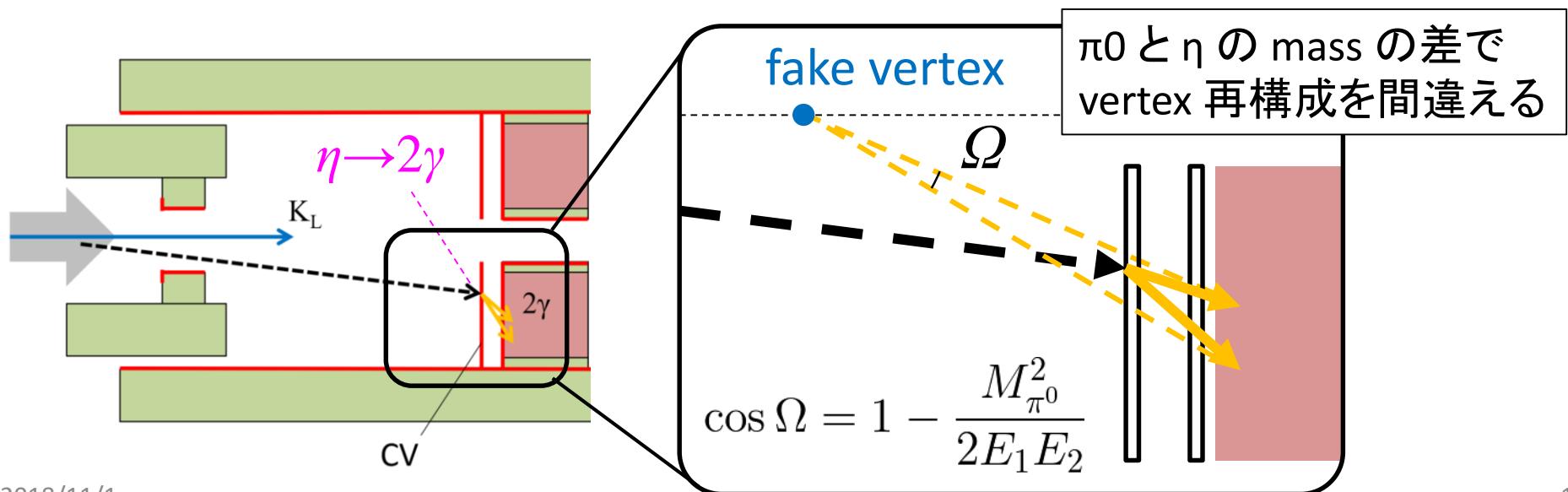
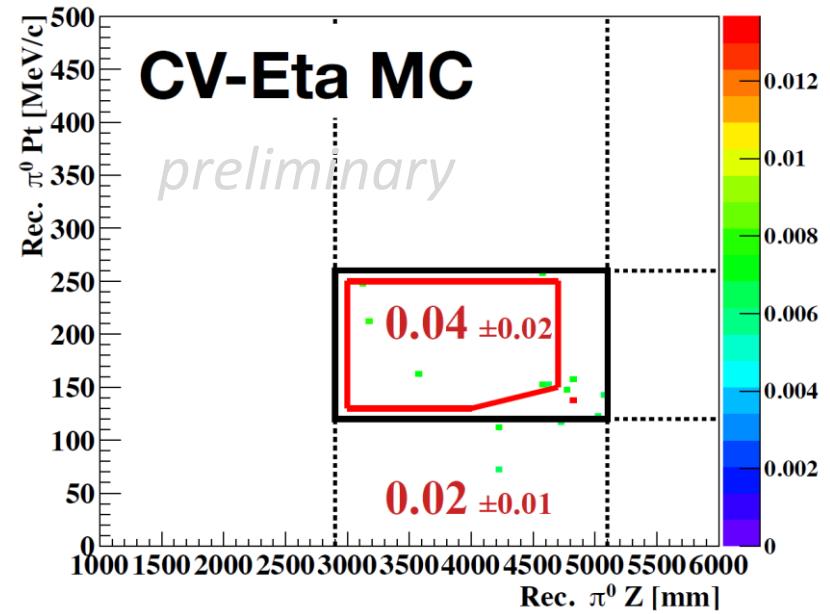
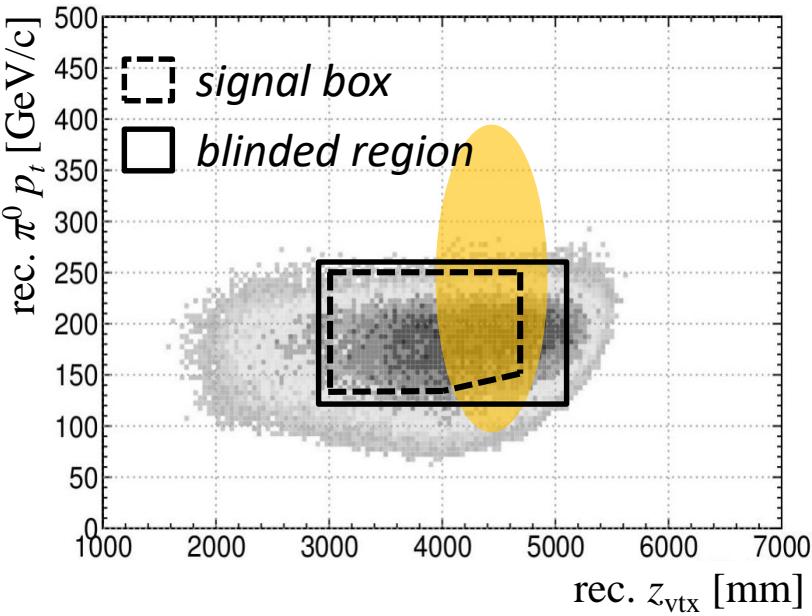
Background になる理由

- ☆ small visible energy on calorimeter
(photo-nuclear interaction)
- ☆ “ $\gamma + n$ ” cluster pair

-> vertex の再構成を間違える

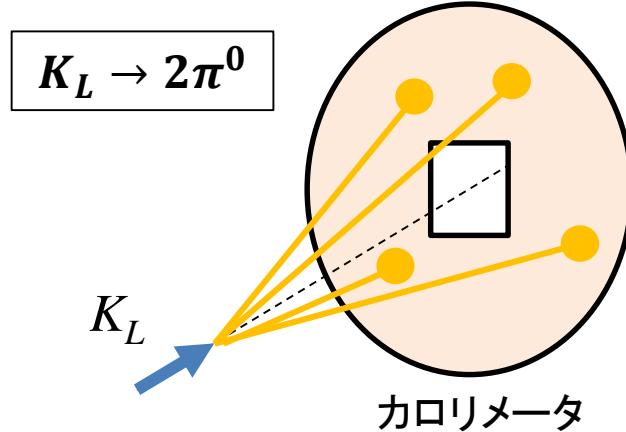


Background Sources: CV- η Background

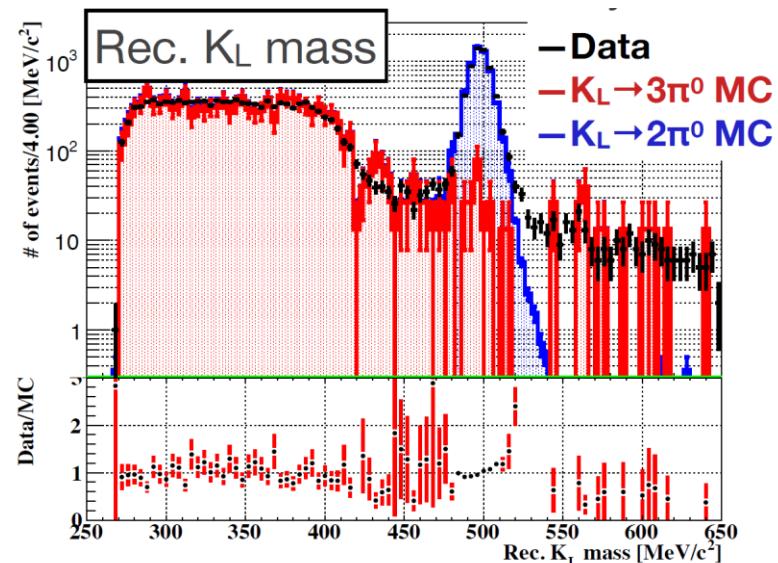
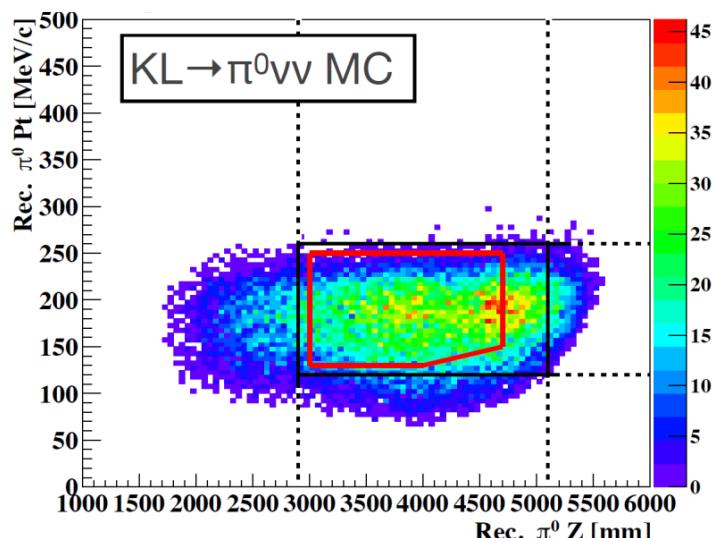


実験感度の算出: Single Event Sensitivity

★ K_L Flux Measurement



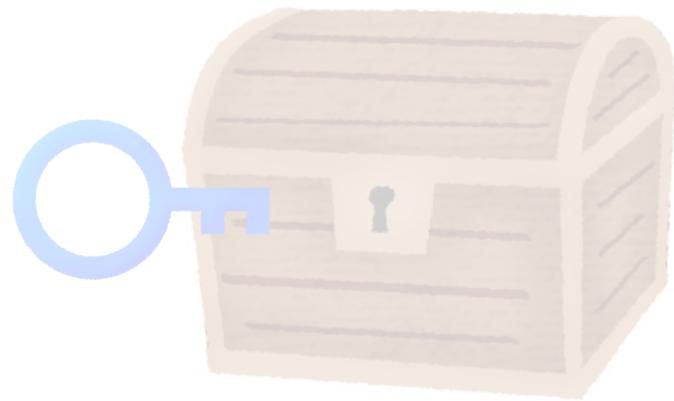
★ Signal Acceptance



Single Event Sensitivity (S.E.S.)

$$= [(KL \text{ yield}) \times (\text{signal acceptance})]^{-1}$$

$$= (1.30 \pm 0.01_{\text{stat.}} \pm 0.14_{\text{syst.}}) \times 10^{-9}$$



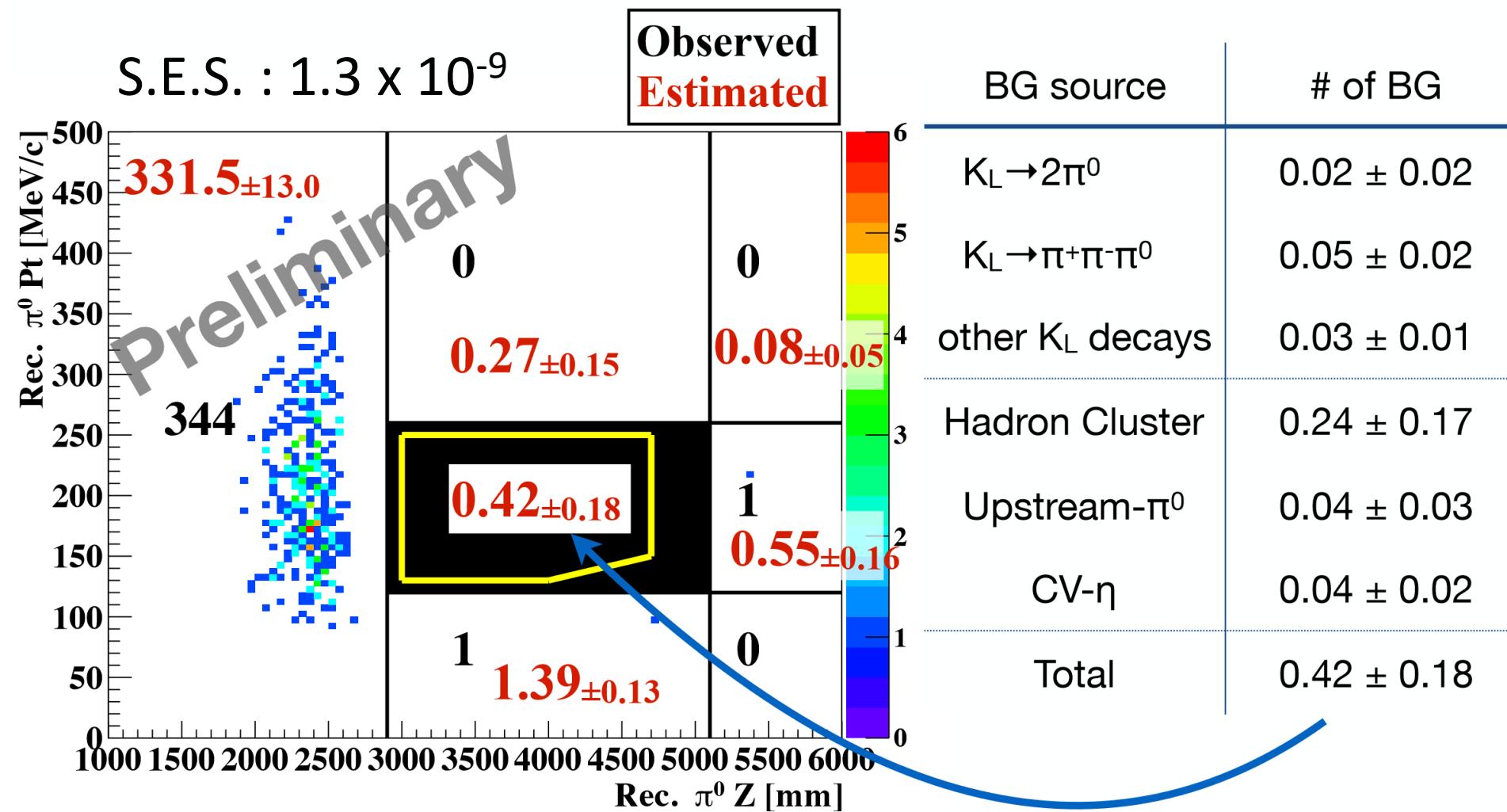
Result of 2015 Data Analysis

Summary of Physics Data Reduction

Selection Criteria	number of remaining events
triggered events <i>kinematical selection</i>	4.31×10^9
two-cluster	8.74×10^8
trigger-related cuts	2.50×10^8
photon selection cuts	1.75×10^8
kinematic cuts	3.59×10^7
veto cuts	3.83×10^4
shape-related cuts	347

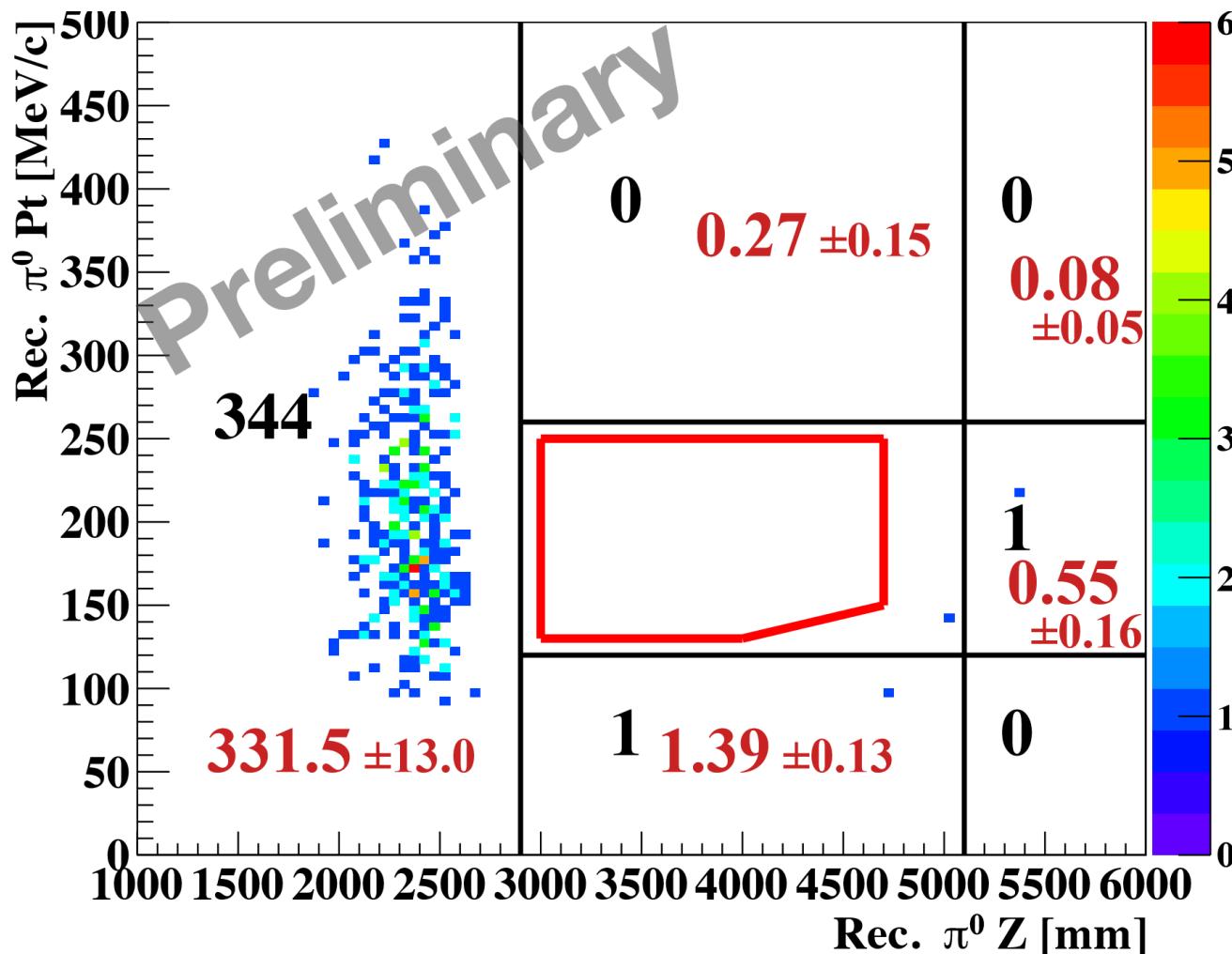
further BG suppression

Summary of Background Estimation



Opening Signal Box

S.E.S. : 1.3×10^{-9}



NO Event Observed: $\text{BR}(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}) < 3.0 \times 10^{-9}$ (90% C.L.)

Summary

- KOTO実験 2015年データ解析結果

$$\text{BR}(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}) < 3.0 \times 10^{-9} \text{ (90% C.L.)}$$

先行実験 (KEKPS E391a) が記録した上限値を1桁更新

～これからのKOTO実験～

- 2016年以降のデータを順次解析中
 - ✓ データ量が2015年の約2倍になる見込み
- background rejection 強化に向けた検出器増強
 - ✓ 力口リメータのアップグレード (Hadron Cluster BG)
 - ✓ 新veto 検出器の導入 ($K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$)
- 実験感度向上に向けた解析手法のアップグレード
 - ✓ 波形解析の強化による時間精度向上

Search for the $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$ and $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 X^0$ decays at the J-PARC KOTO experiment

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A search for the rare decay $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$ was performed. With the data collected in 2015, corresponding to 2.2×10^{19} protons on target, a single event sensitivity of $(1.30 \pm 0.01_{\text{stat.}} \pm 0.14_{\text{syst.}}) \times 10^{-9}$ was achieved and no candidate events were observed. We set an upper limit of 3.0×10^{-9} for the branching fraction of $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$ at the 90% confidence level (C.L.), which improved the previous limit by almost an order of magnitude. An upper limit for $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 X^0$ was also set as 2.4×10^{-9} at the 90% C.L., where X^0 is an invisible boson with a mass of $135 \text{ MeV}/c^2$.

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Introduction. The $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$ decay is a CP-violating process and is highly suppressed in the Standard Model (SM) due to the $s \rightarrow d$ flavor-changing neutral current transition [1, 2]. The branching fraction for this decay can be accurately calculated, and is one of the most sensitive probes to search for new physics beyond the SM (see

where X^0 is an invisible light boson. The upper limit for this decay was set, for the first time in [19], as 3.7×10^{-8} (90% C.L.) for the X^0 mass of $135 \text{ MeV}/c^2$.

Experimental methods and apparatus. A 30-GeV proton beam extracted from the J-PARC Main Ring with a duration of 2 seconds struck a cold production target