

# Search for $\eta'(958)$ -nucleus bound states by (p,d) reaction at GSI and FAIR



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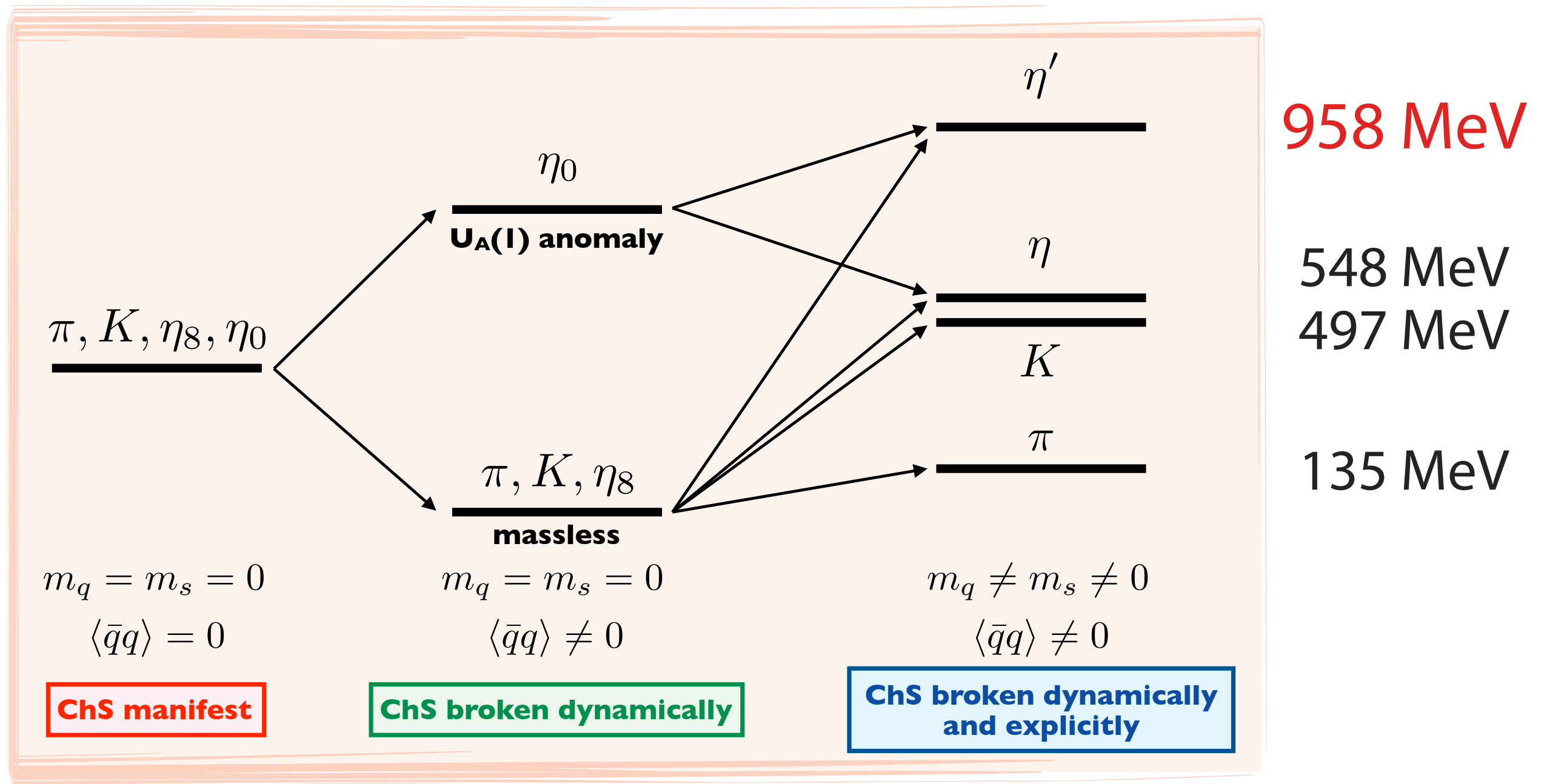
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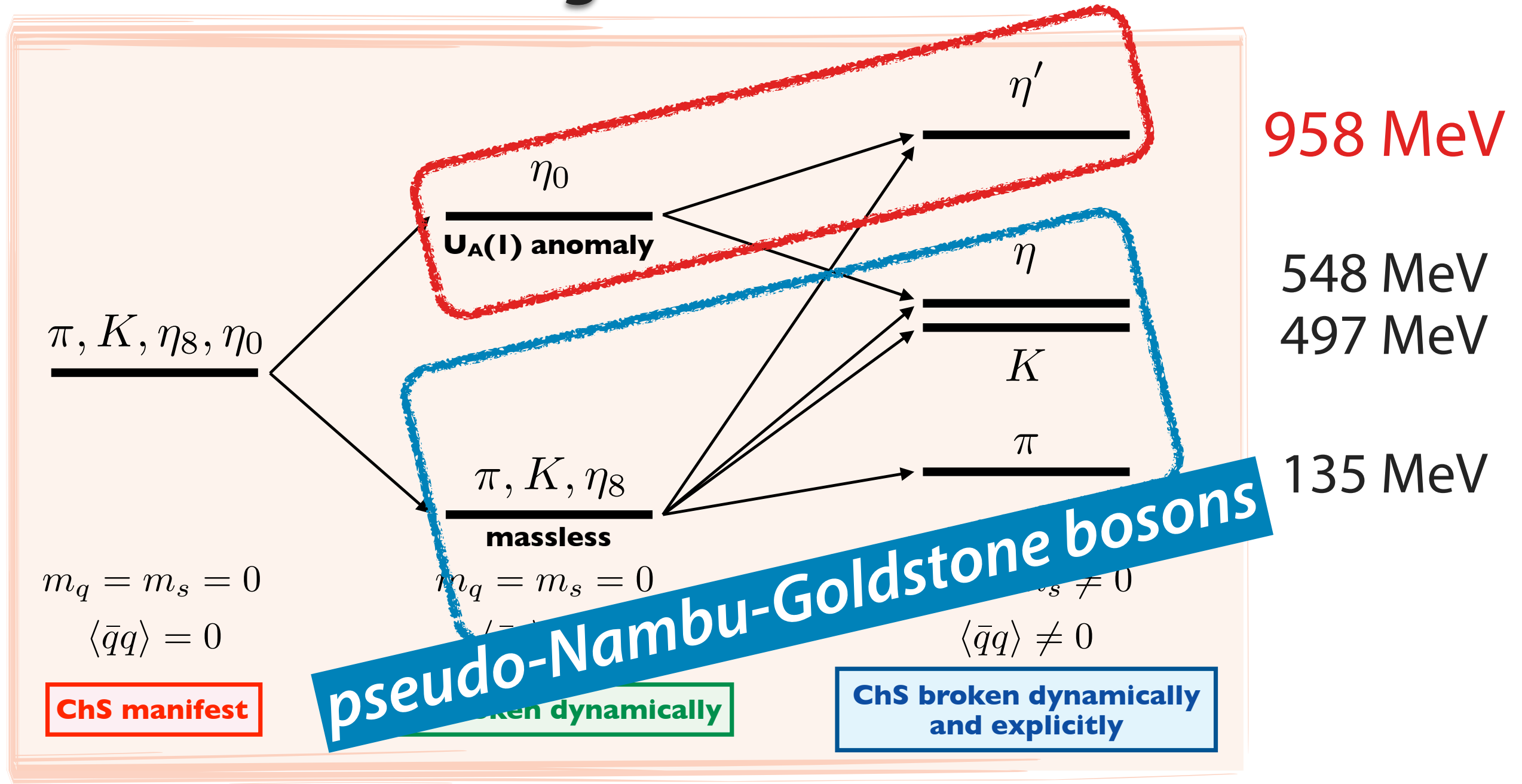


# introduction



Nagahiro et al., PRC 87, 045201 (2013)

*different “origin of mass”*



Nagahiro et al., PRC 87, 045201 (2013)

- ❖ At finite density/temperature, chiral symmetry will be partially restored
  - ▶ cf. deeply-bound pionic atom (talk by Ikeno-san)
- ❖ large mass reduction, as a consequence of suppression of the anomaly effect?
- ❖ optical potential:  $V(r)=(V_0+iW_0)\rho(r)/\rho_0$ 
  - ▶  $|V_0|$ = (mass reduction),  $2|W_0|$ = (absorption width)



# $\eta'$ meson in medium

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*in vacuum*

mass = 958 MeV/c<sup>2</sup>

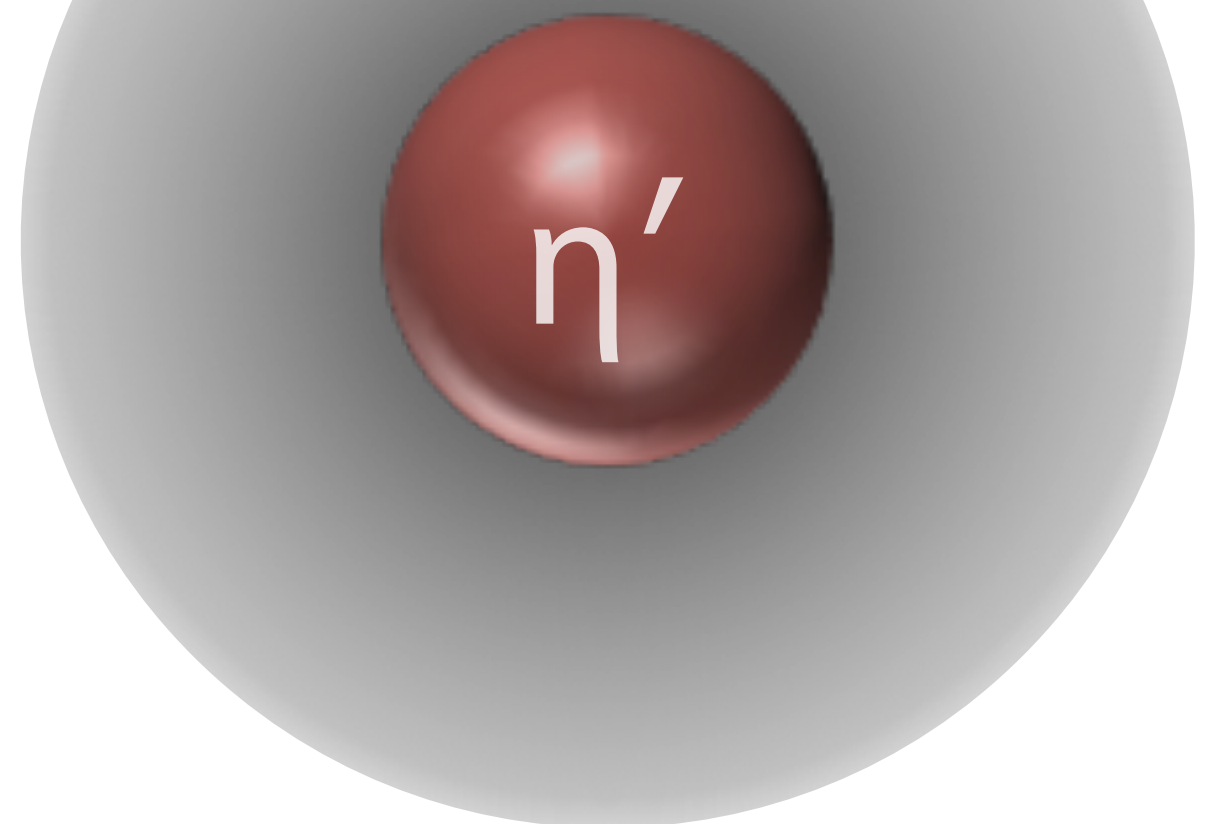
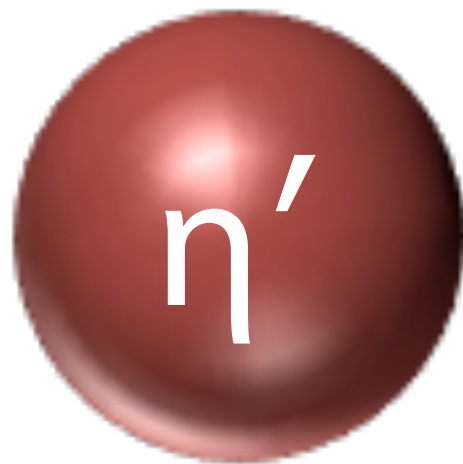
decay width = 0.2 MeV

*in medium (nucleus)*

< 958 MeV/c<sup>2</sup> ?

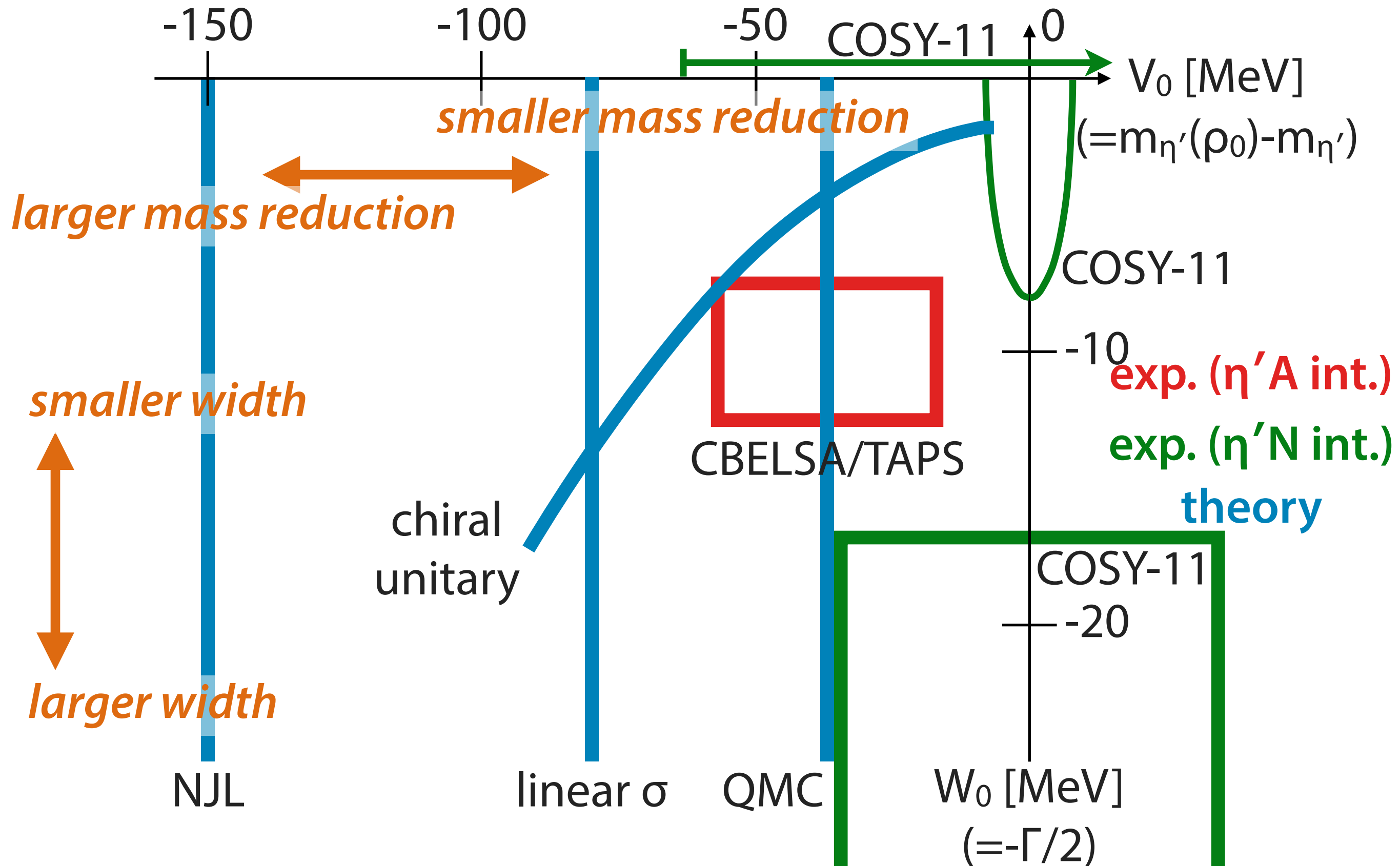
O(10) MeV or even larger  
mass reduction?

**absorption** width = O(10) MeV ?  
(free decay is largely suppressed)



# $\eta'$ optical potential: state of the art

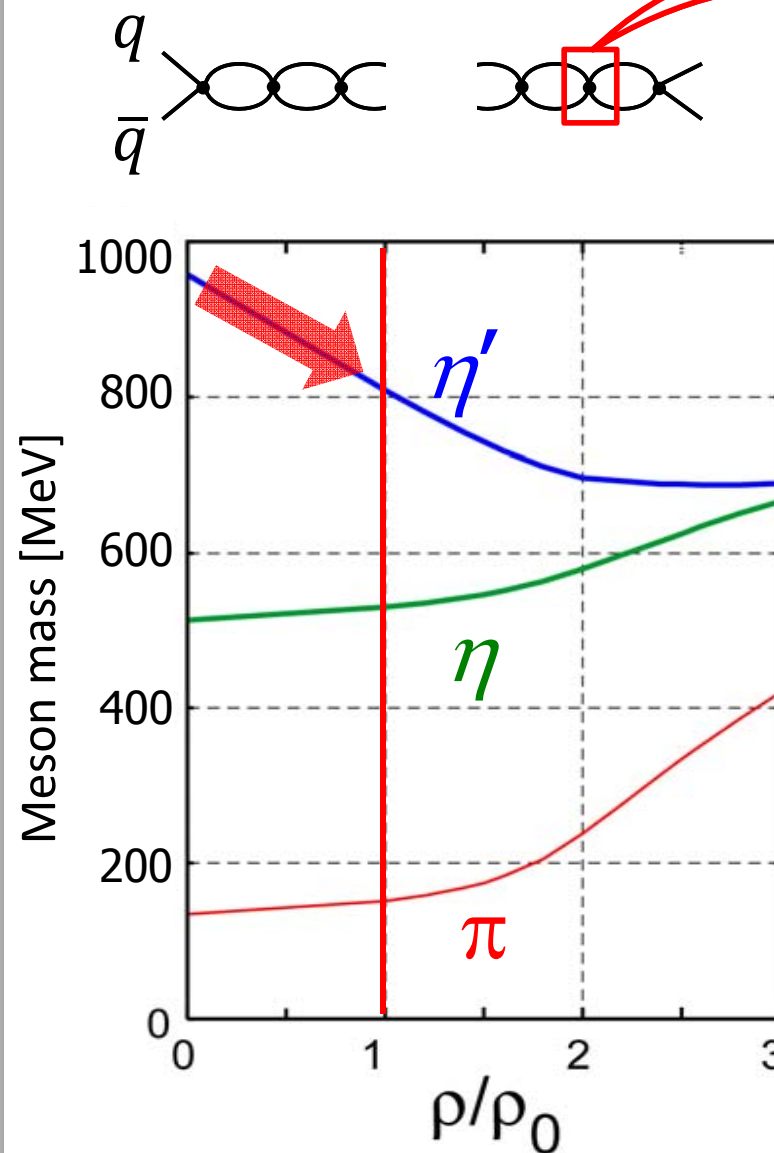
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Nagahiro, presentation at "Hadron in Nucleus"

cf.) NJL model with KMT



$U_A(1)$  breaking  
(KMT term<sup>[1,2]</sup>)

$$\langle \bar{q}q \rangle \rightarrow 0$$

[1] Kobayashi-Maskawa  
PTP44(70)1422

[2] G. 't Hooft,  
PRD14(76)3432

$$\Delta m \sim -150 \text{ MeV} @ \rho_0$$

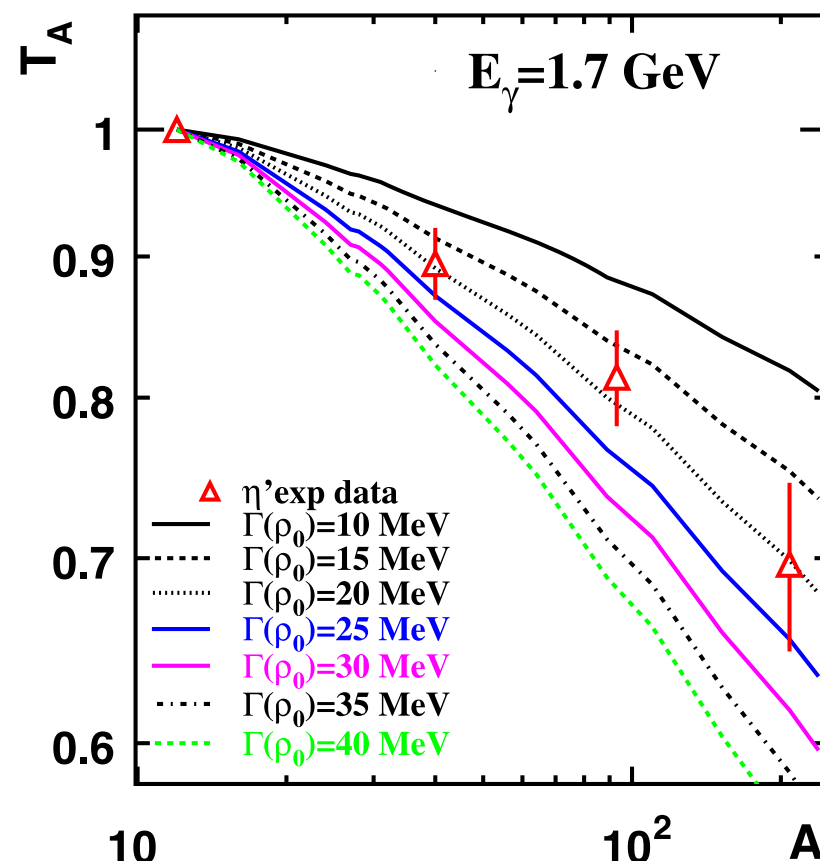
NJL

Nagahiro et al., PRC 76, 045203 (2006) ( $=-\Gamma$ )

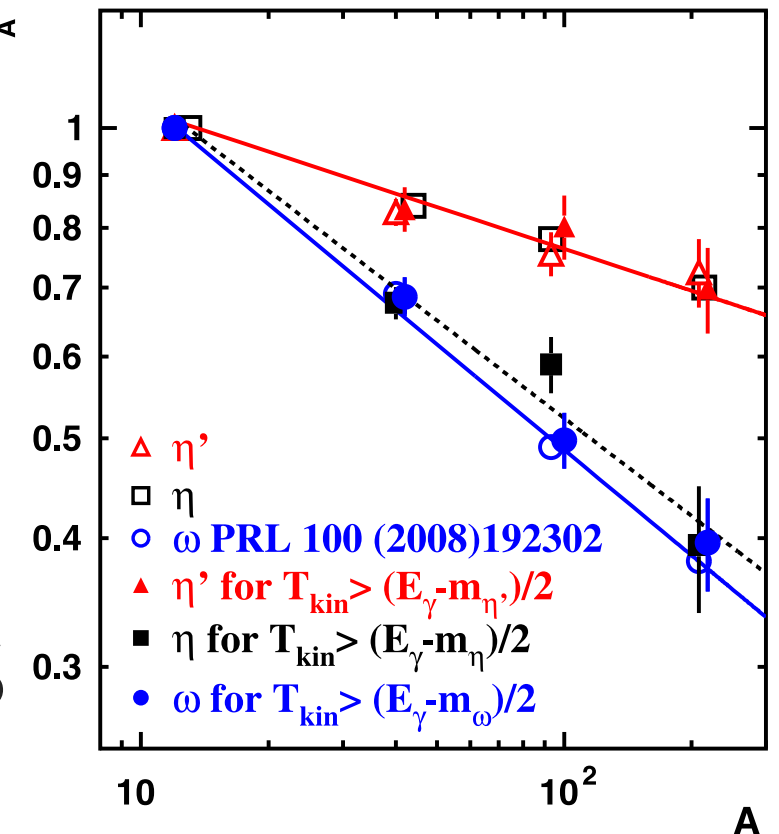


transparency ratio

$$T_A = \frac{\sigma(\gamma A \rightarrow \eta' X)}{A \cdot \sigma(\gamma N \rightarrow \eta' X)}$$



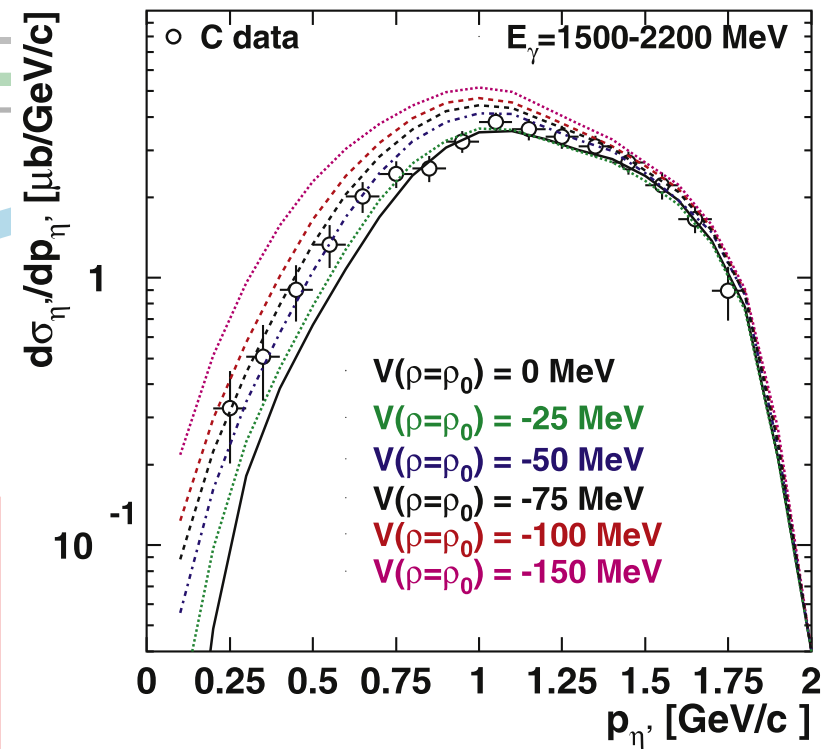
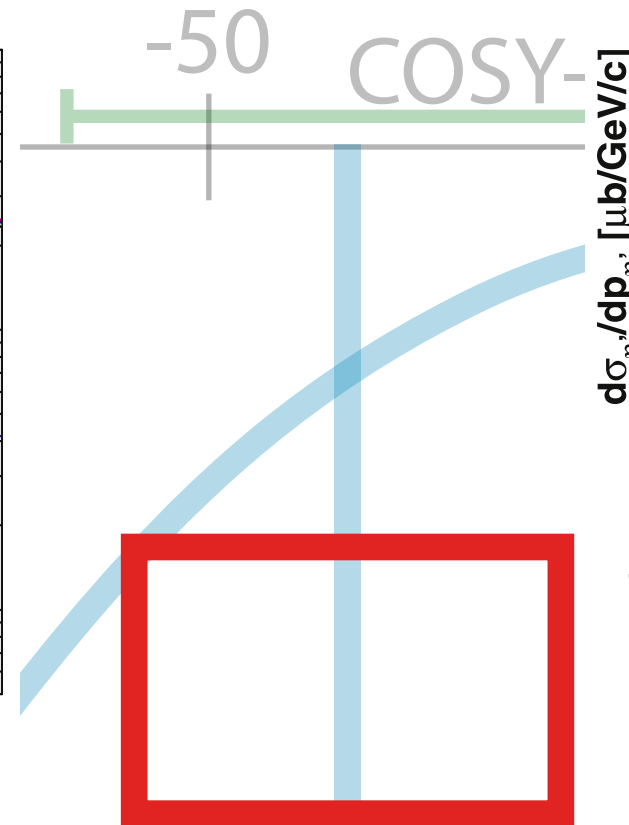
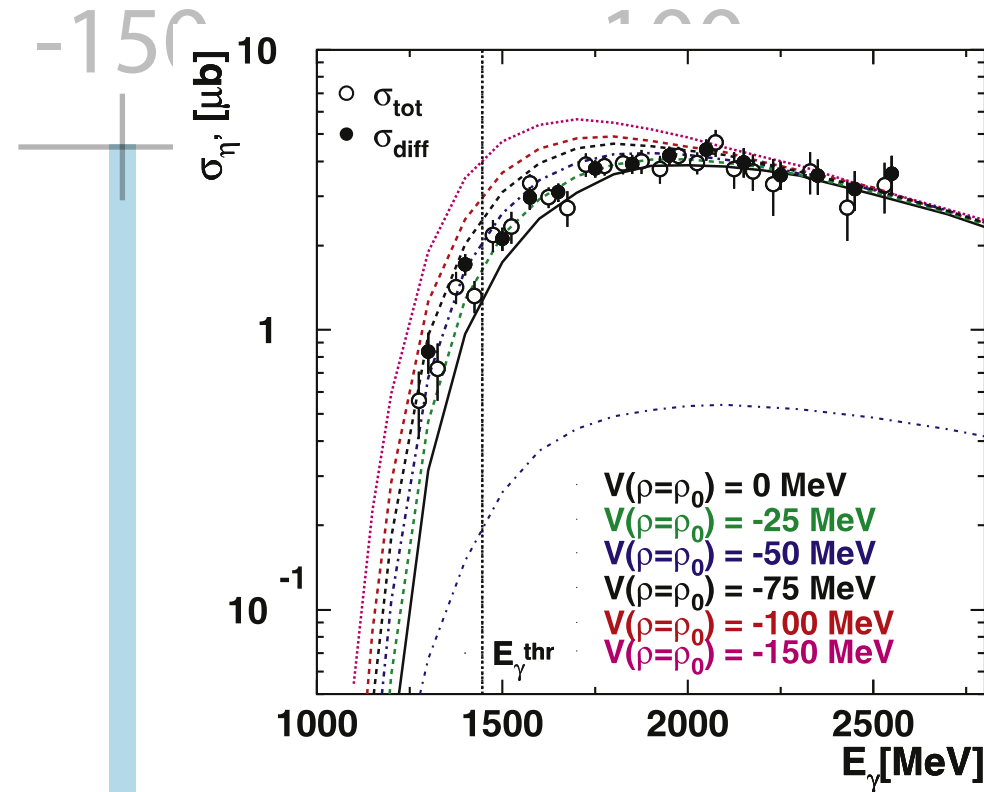
CBELSA/TAPS



→  $\Gamma = 15 - 25 \text{ MeV}$  at  $\rho = \rho_0$   
for  $\langle p_{\eta'} \rangle \sim 1.05 \text{ GeV}/c$

Nanova et al., PLB 710, 600 (2012)





$$V_0 = -(40 \pm 6) \text{ MeV}$$

CBELSA/TAPS

$$V_0 = -(32 \pm 11) \text{ MeV}$$

chiral  
unitary

$$V_0 = -(37 \pm 10_{\text{stat}} \pm 10_{\text{syst}}) \text{ MeV}$$

COSY-11  
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N II

linear

QMC

W

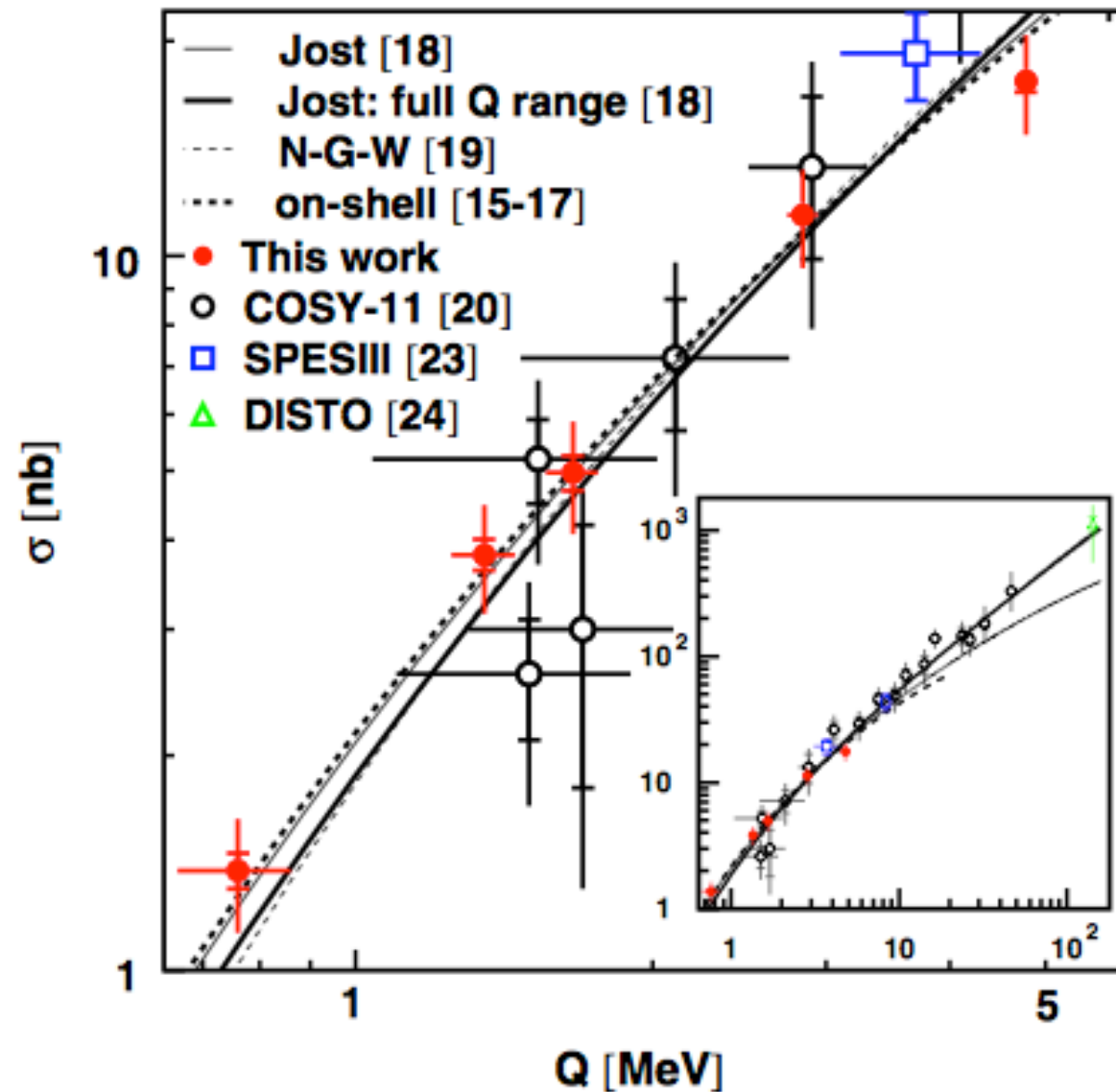
( $= -\Gamma$ )

Nanova et al., PLB 727, 417 (2013)

# elementary process : $pp \rightarrow pp\eta'$

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Czerwiński et al., PRL 113, 062004 (2014)



$$\text{Re } a_{\eta'N} = 0 \pm 0.43 \text{ fm}$$

$$\text{Im } a_{\eta'N} = 0.37^{+0.40}_{-0.16} \text{ fm}$$

CBELSA/TAPS

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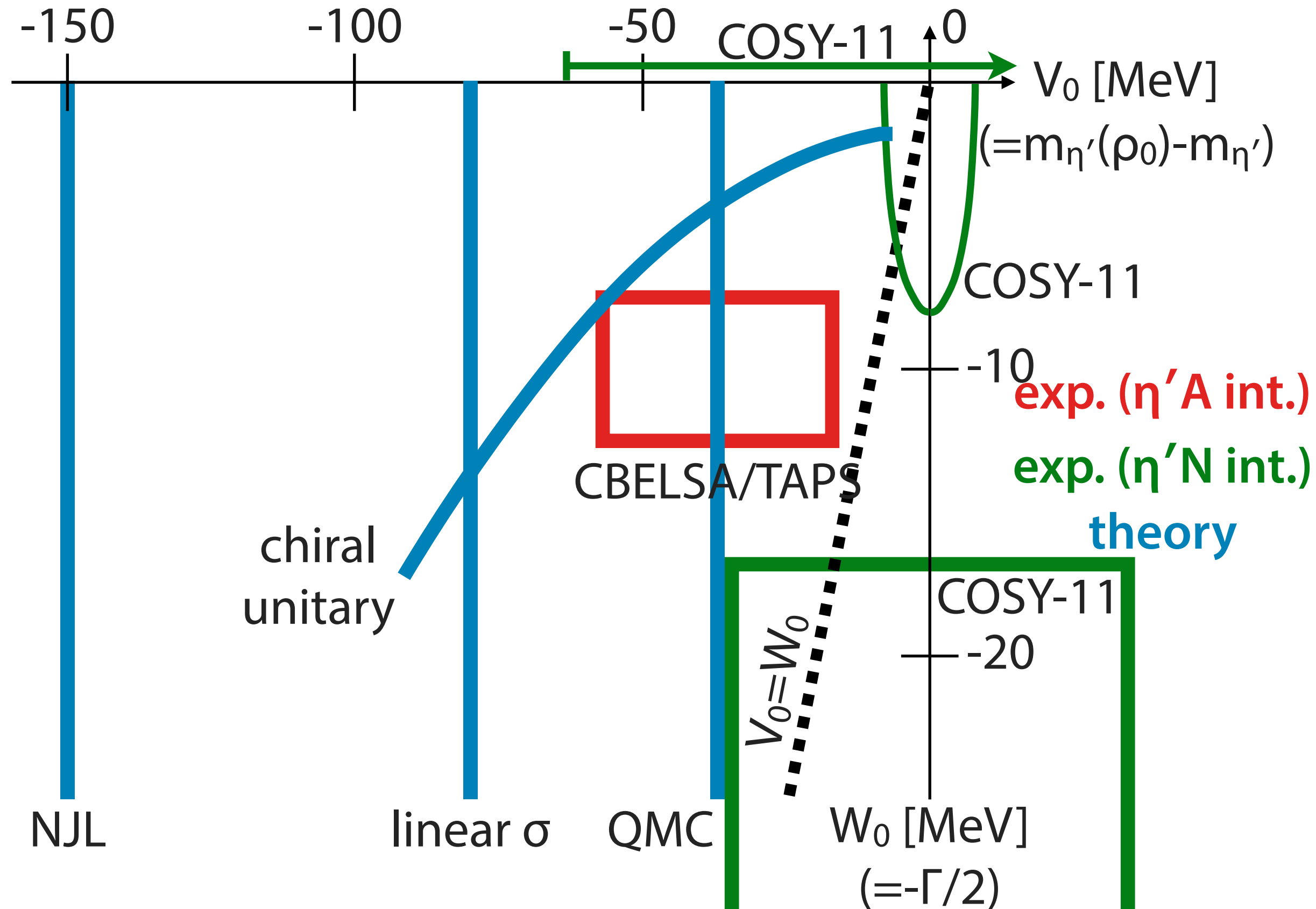
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linear

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W

( $= -\Gamma$ )



*Chiral Unitary Model  
and CBELSA/TAPS favor*

$$|V_0| > |W_0|$$

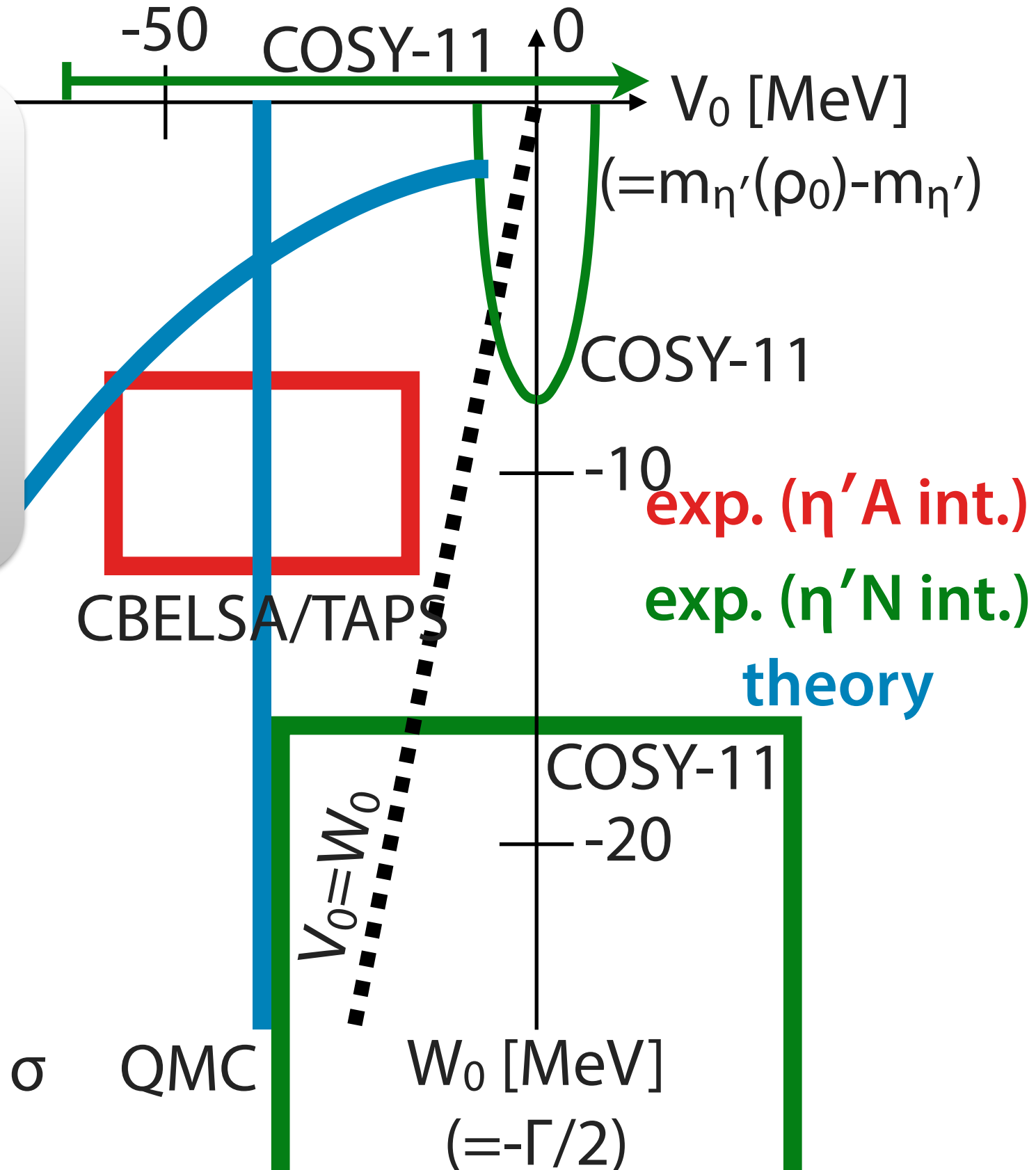
*→  $\eta'$  bound state?*

chiral  
unitary

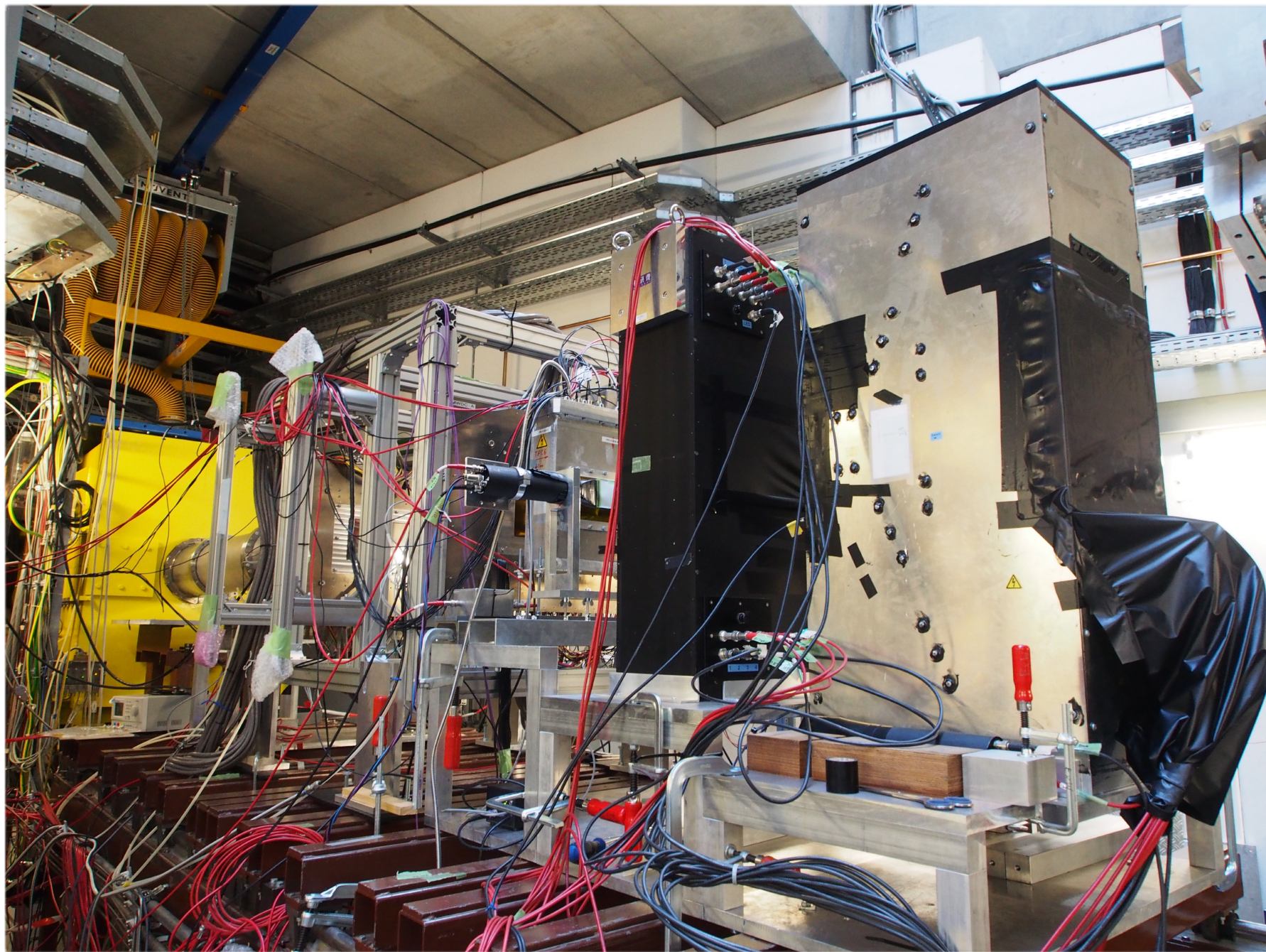
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linear  $\sigma$

QMC

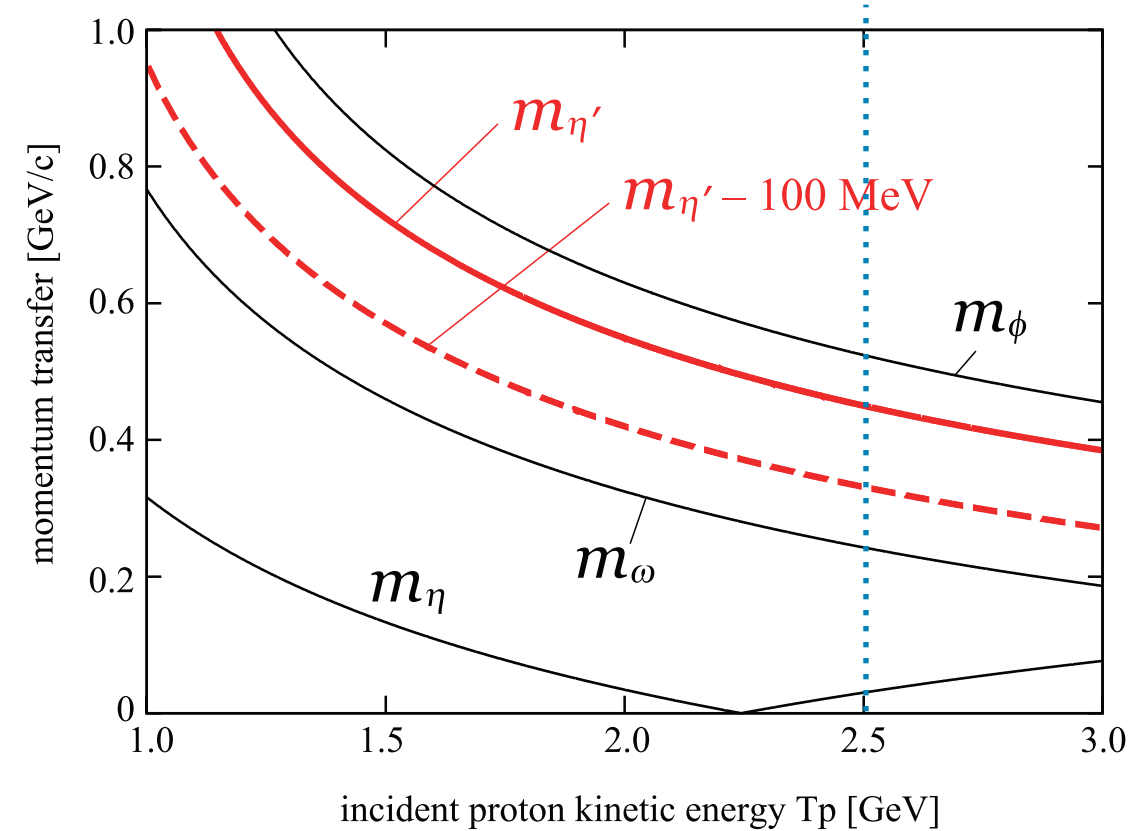
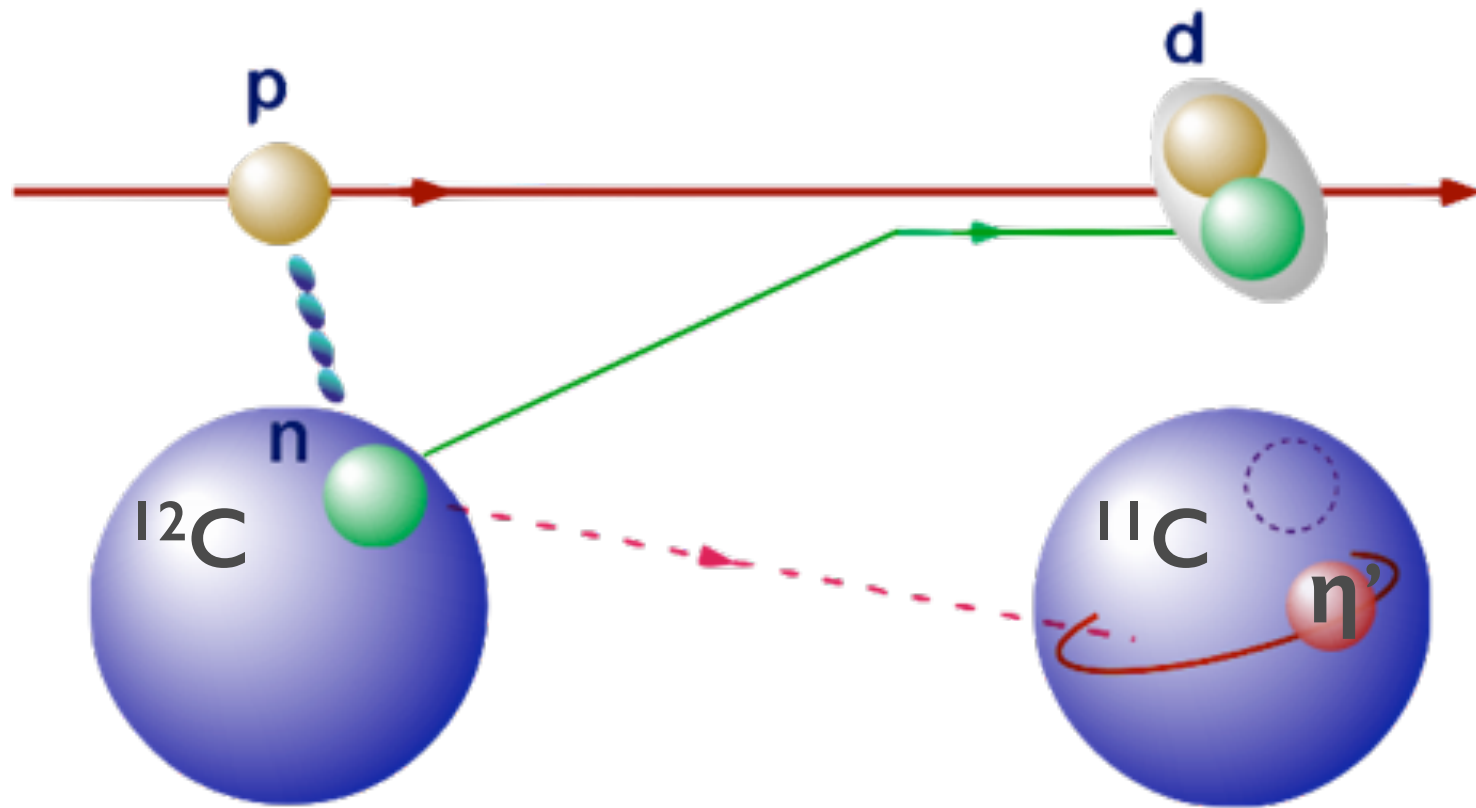






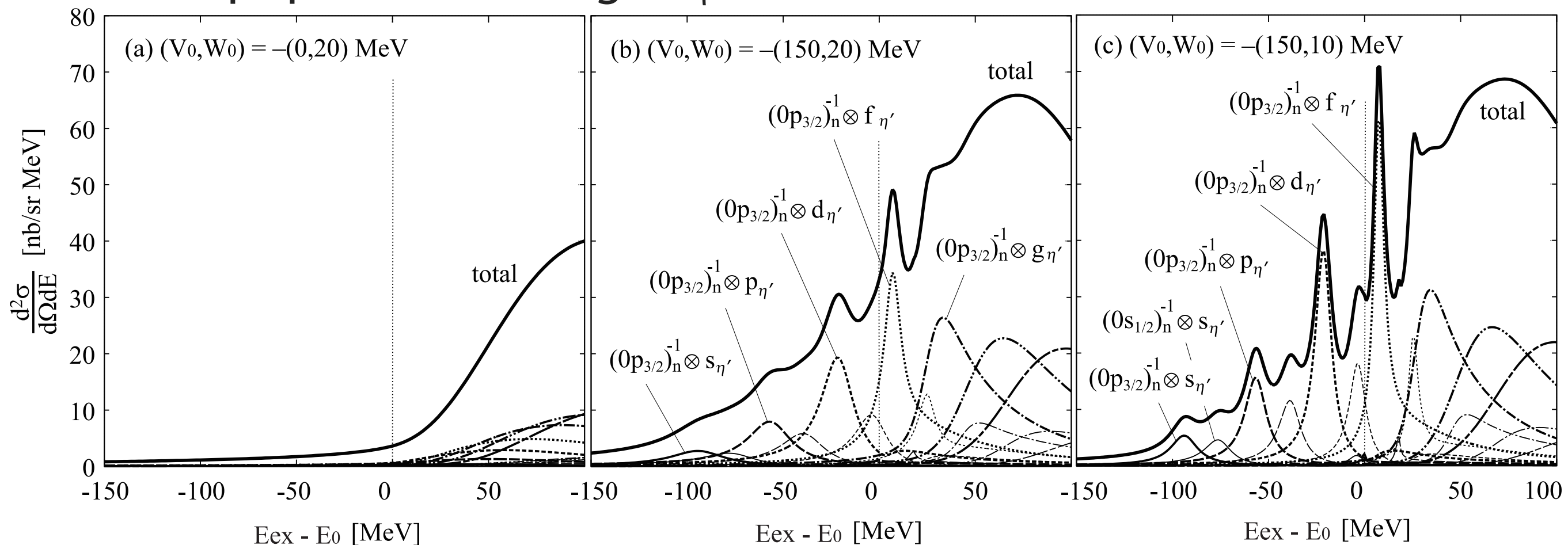
# spectroscopy of $\eta'$ mesic nuclei at GSI



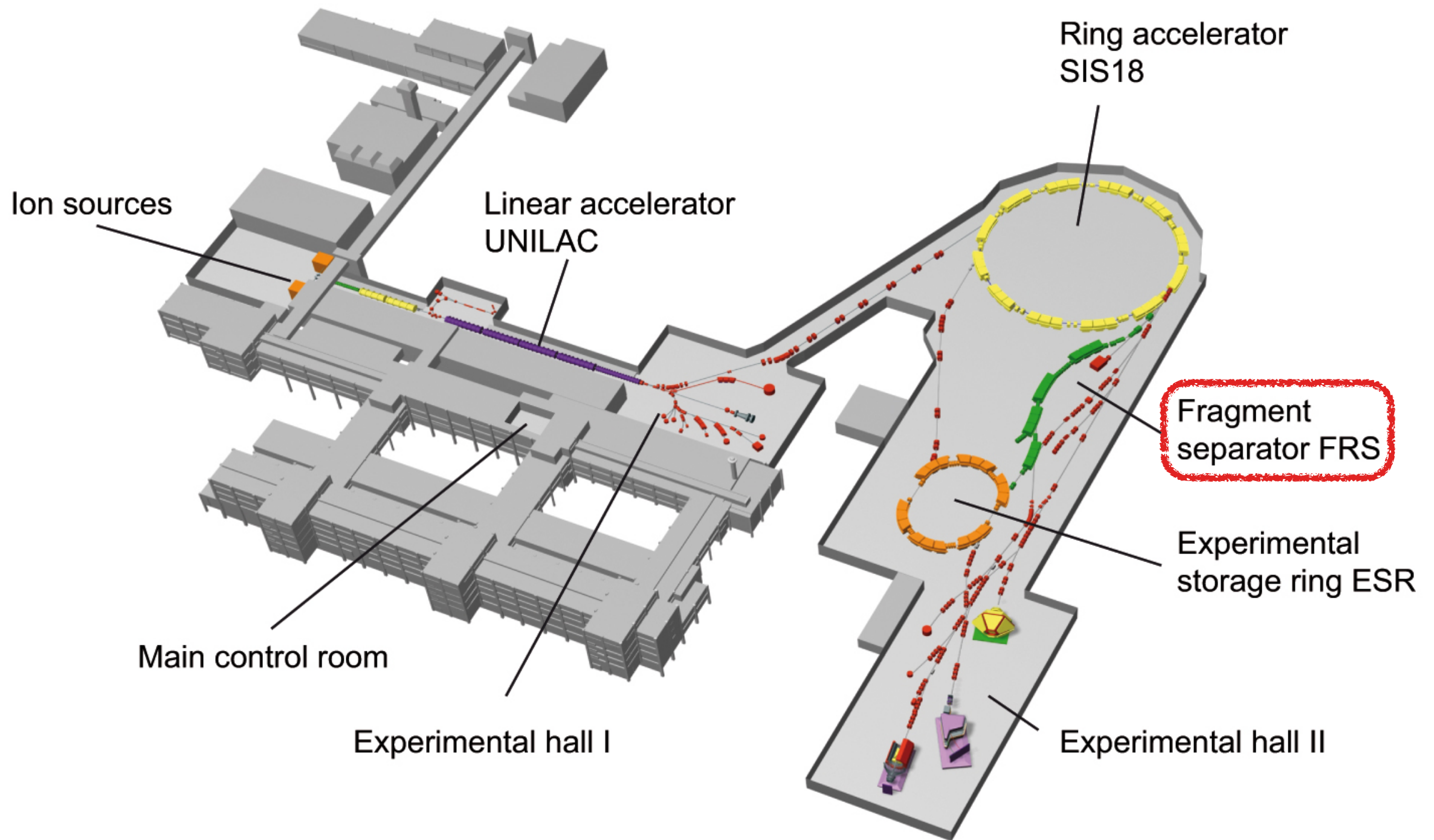


- ❖ intense proton beam available
- ❖ relatively large momentum transfer
  - ▶ population of large  $\ell_{\eta'}$  states near threshold
  - ▶ different rigidities between protons and deuterons (from an experimental point of view)

- ❖ elementary cross section :  $d\sigma/d\Omega(pn \rightarrow d\eta') = 30 \mu\text{b/sr}$
- ❖ relatively large momentum transfer
  - ▶ population of large  $\ell_{\eta'}$  states near threshold



Nagahiro et al., PRC 87, 045201 (2013)





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SPECTROSCOPY OF  $\eta'$  MESIC NUCLEI  
WITH  $(p, d)$  REACTION

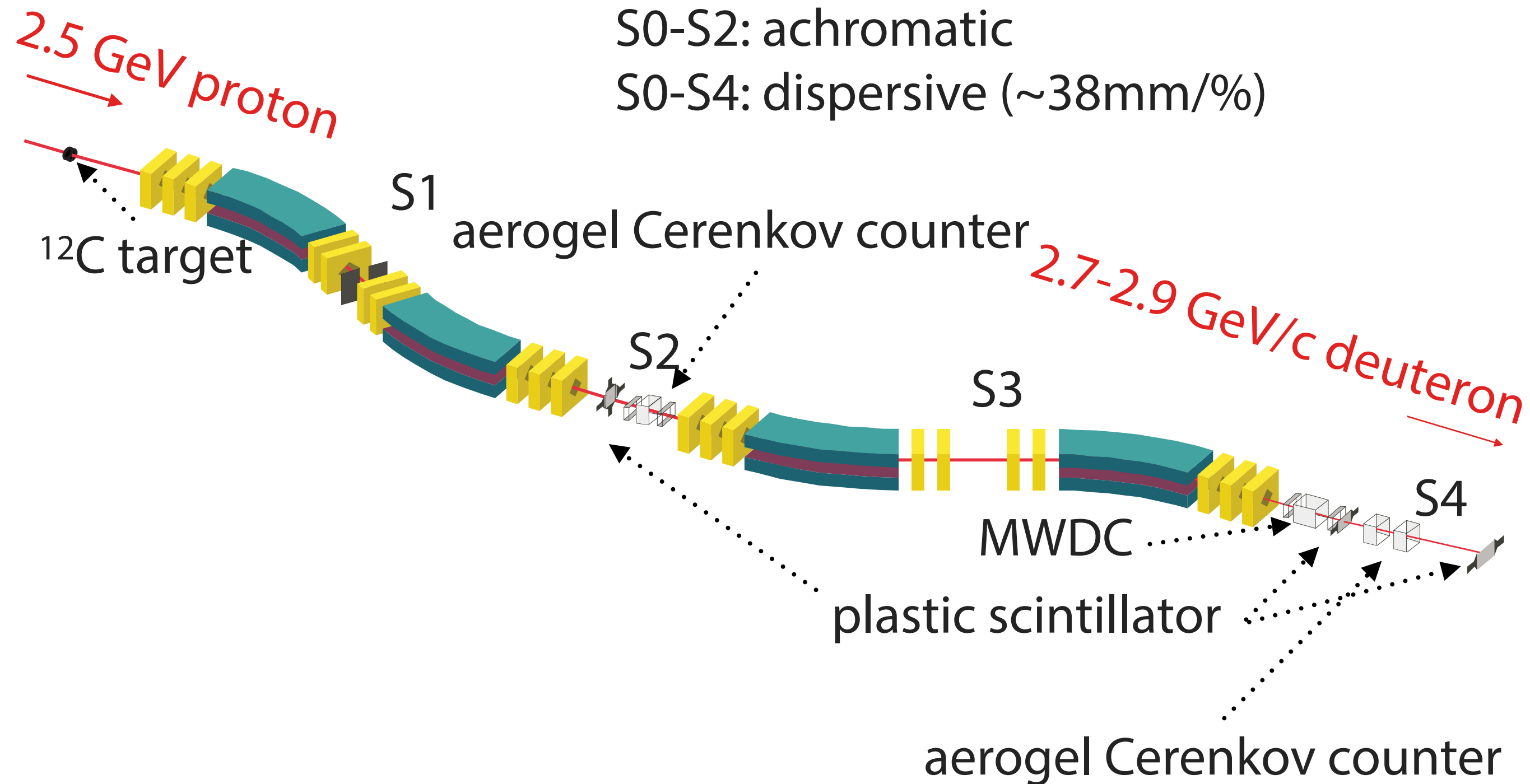
— Interplay of  $U_A(1)$  anomaly and chiral restoration in  $\eta'$  mass —

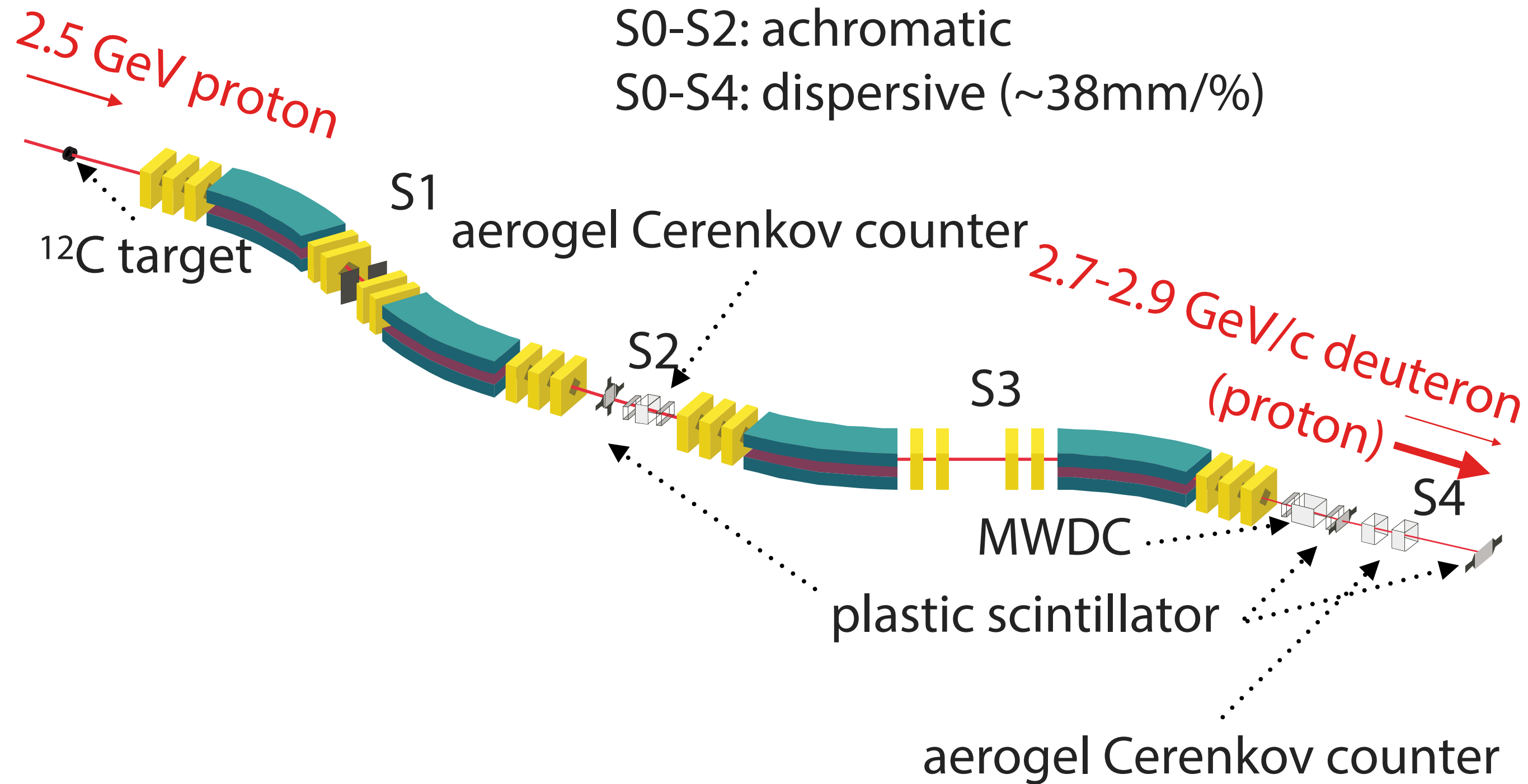
(2011)

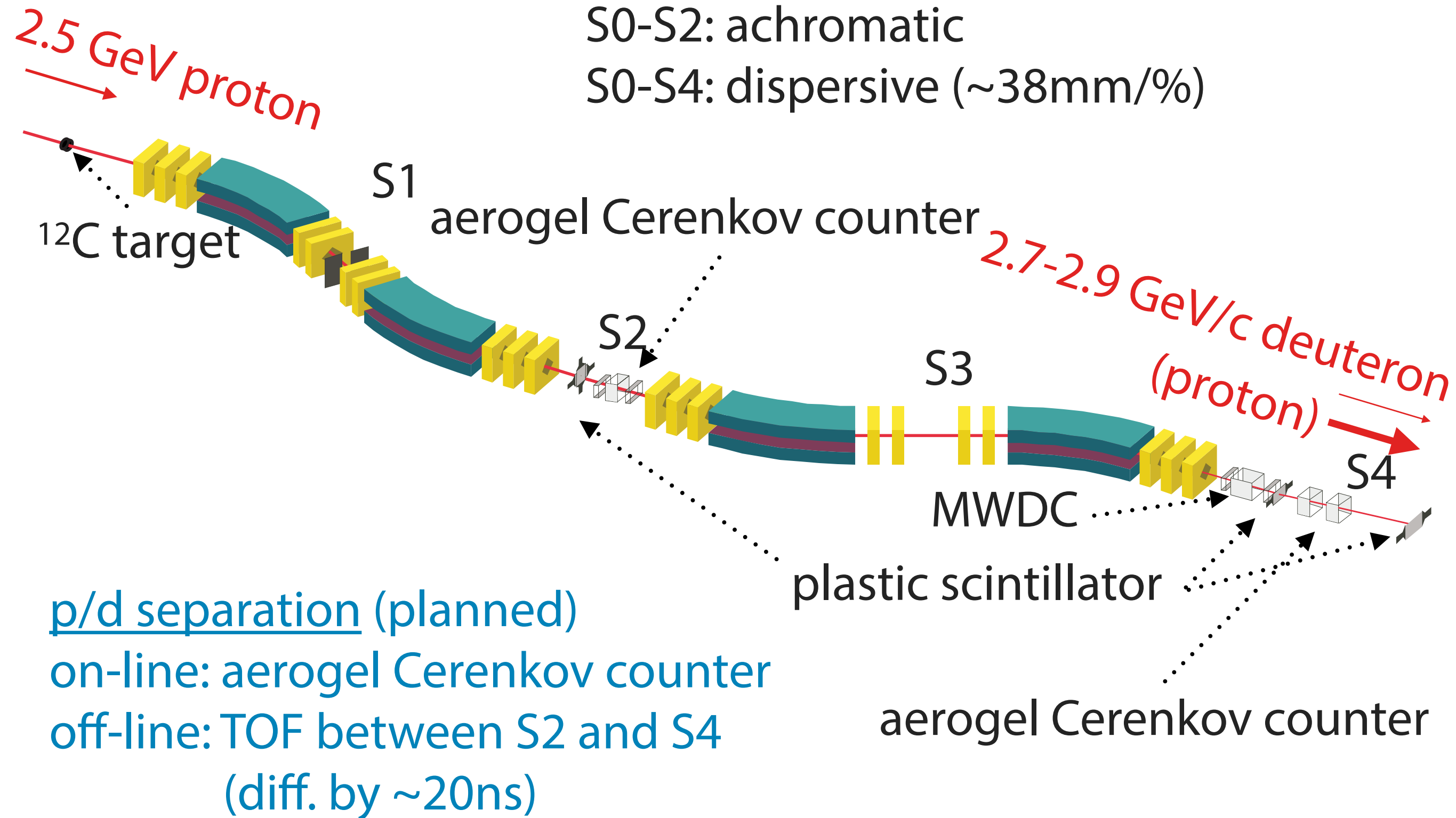
K. Itahashi, HF et al., PTP 128, 601 (2012)

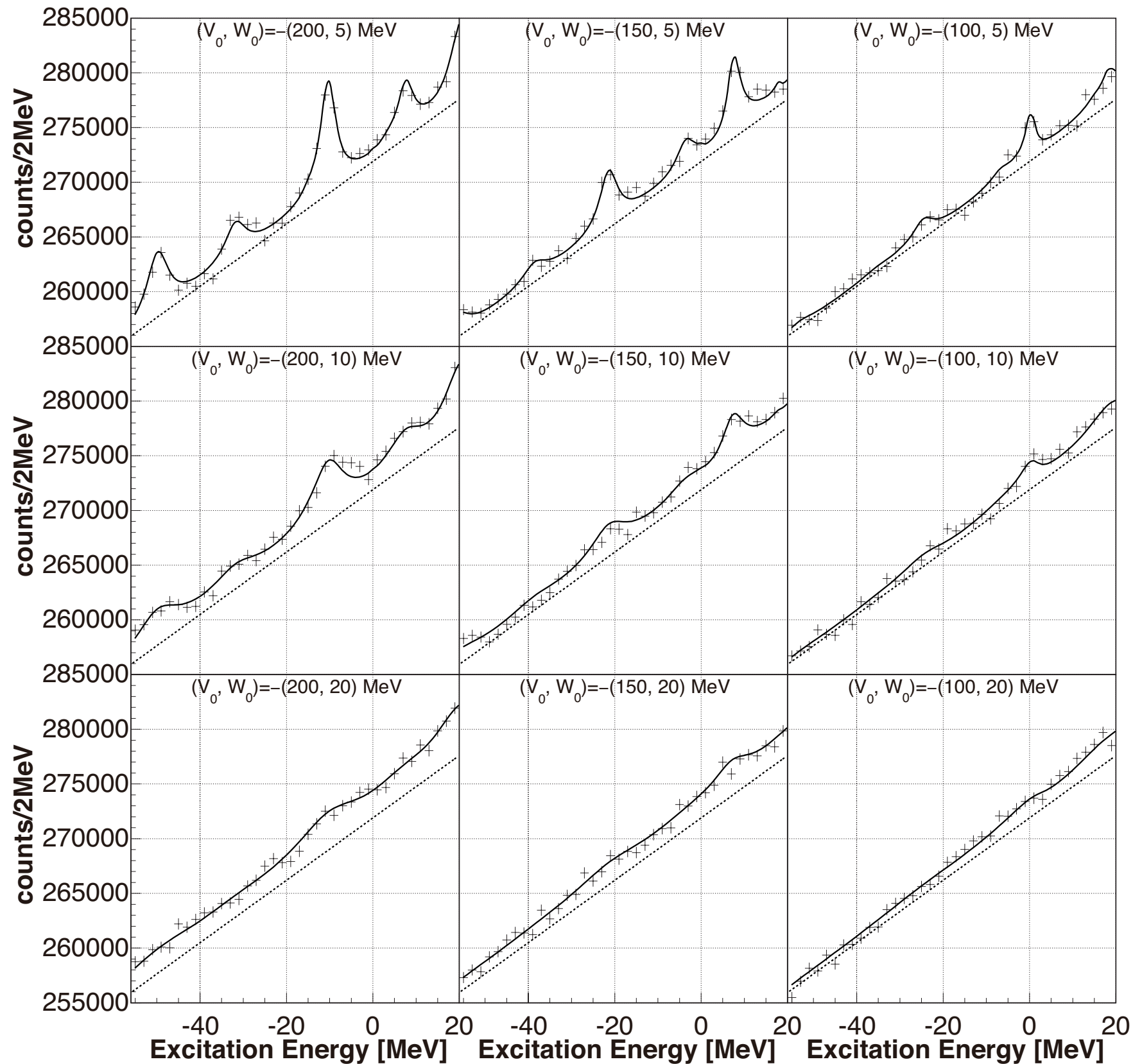
- ❖ intense proton beam from SIS-18 ( $\sim 10^{10}$ /spill)
- ❖ 4g/cm<sup>2</sup>-thick  $^{12}\text{C}$  target
- ❖ high resolution measurement of deuteron by FRS
- ❖ overall missing-mass resolution :  $\sigma < 2\text{MeV}/c^2$

(\*) under the framework of the Super-FRS collaboration







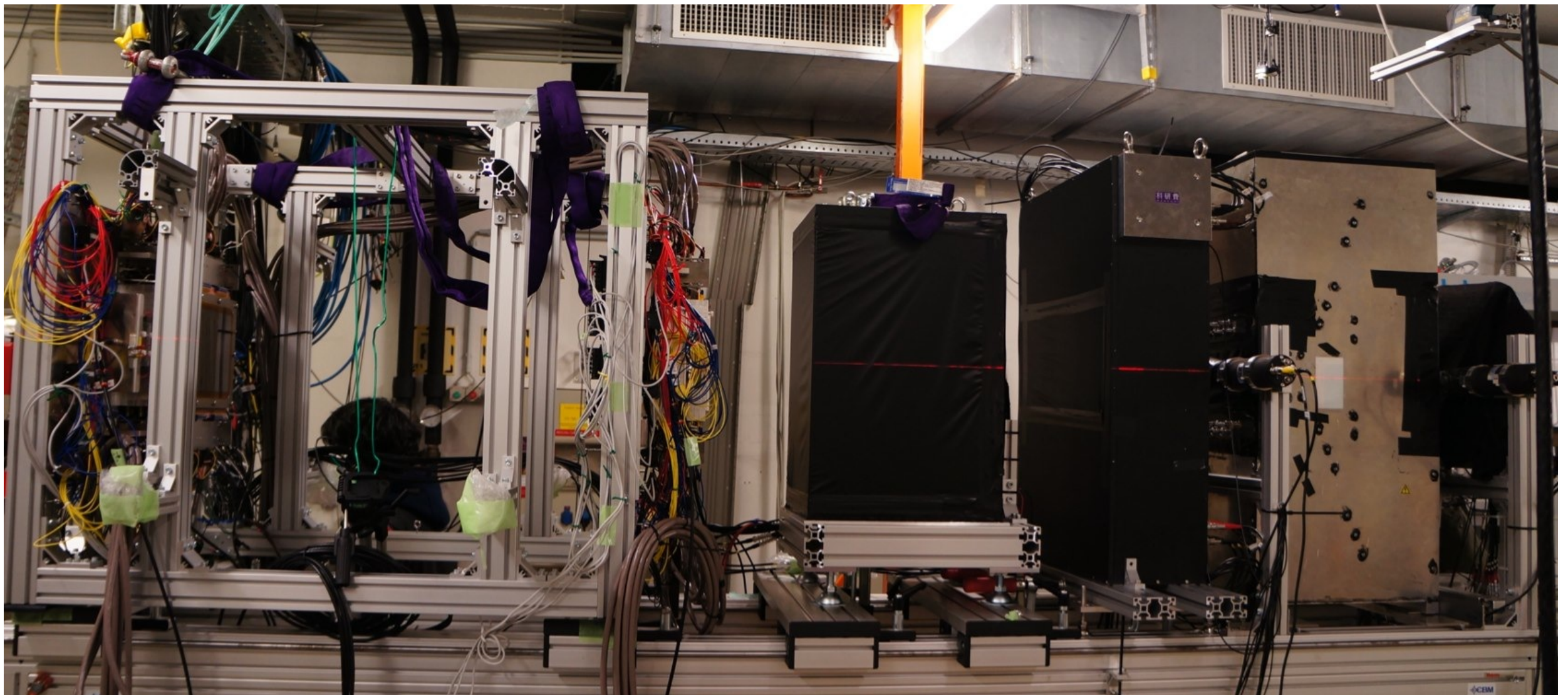




1.5, 2.7 GeV/c proton



27th Jan. - 10th Feb. 2014



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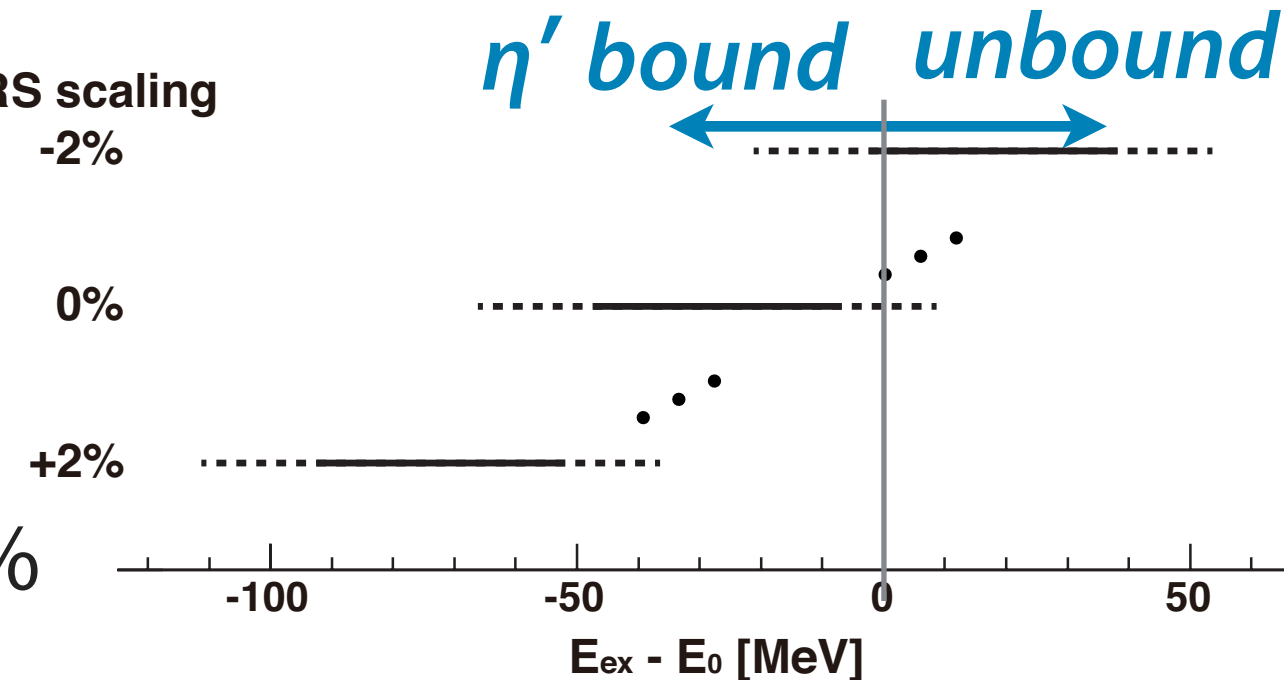
❖ Production Run (~5 days) : C(p,d) @  $T_p=2.5$  GeV

▶ intensity  $(3-4) \times 10^{10}$  /spill <sup>FRS scaling</sup> -2%

▶ target thickness 4g/cm<sup>2</sup>

▶ FRS scaling from -2% to 2%

▶  $(5-10) \times 10^6$  deuterons in each scaling mode

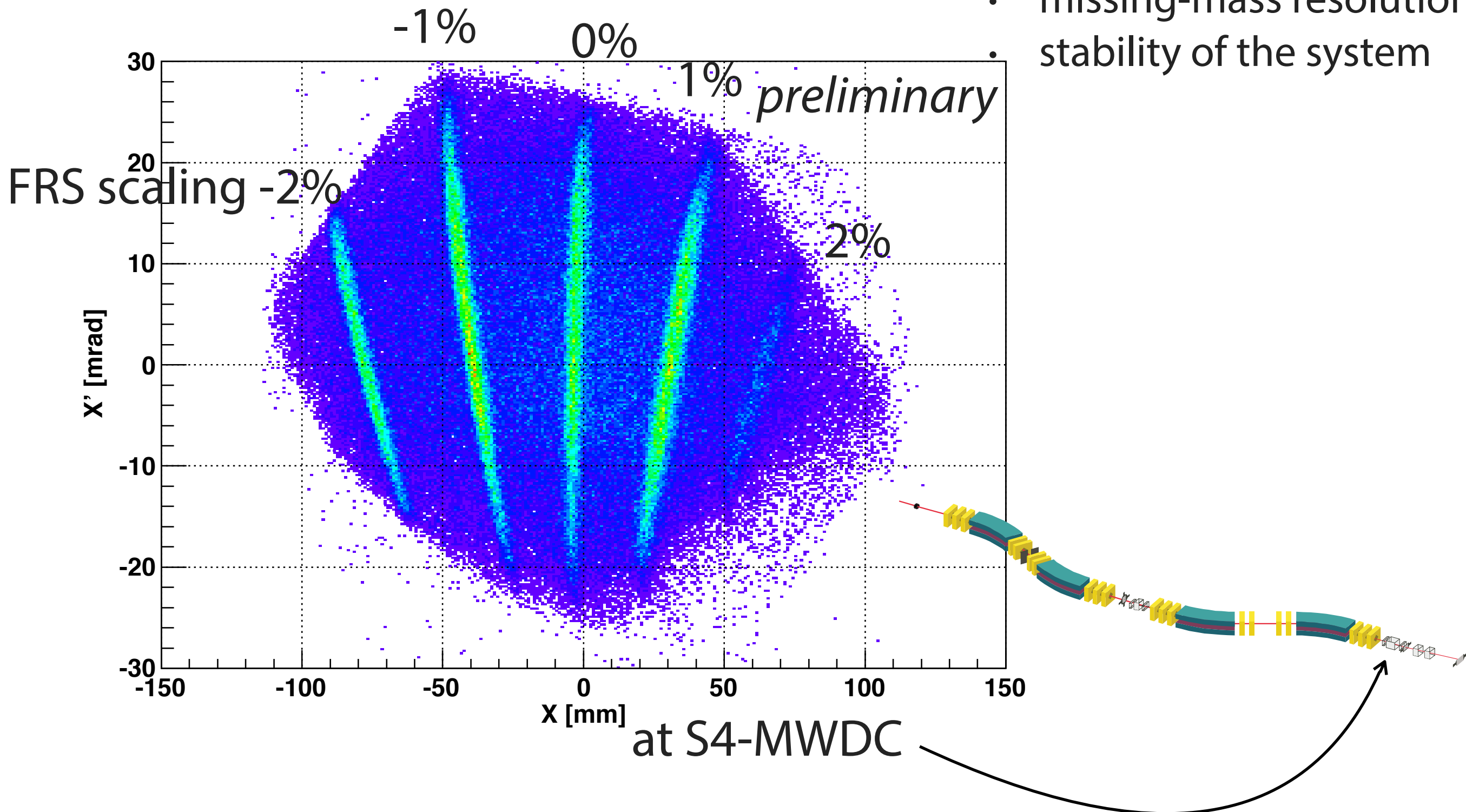


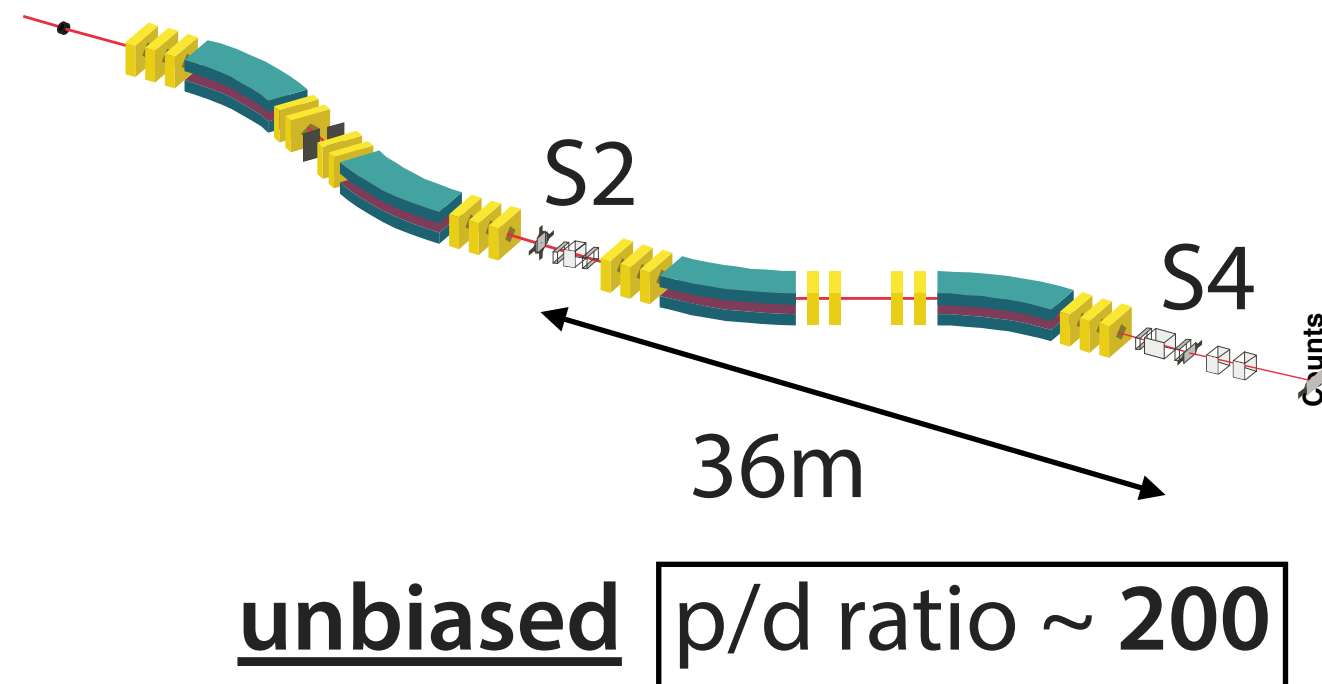
❖ Calibration Run : D(p,d)p @  $T_p=1.6$  GeV

❖ Reference Run : D(p,d) @  $T_p=2.5$  GeV

▶ background measurement  $p+(p/n) \rightarrow d + \text{multi } \pi$ 's)

- information on optics
- missing-mass resolution
- stability of the system





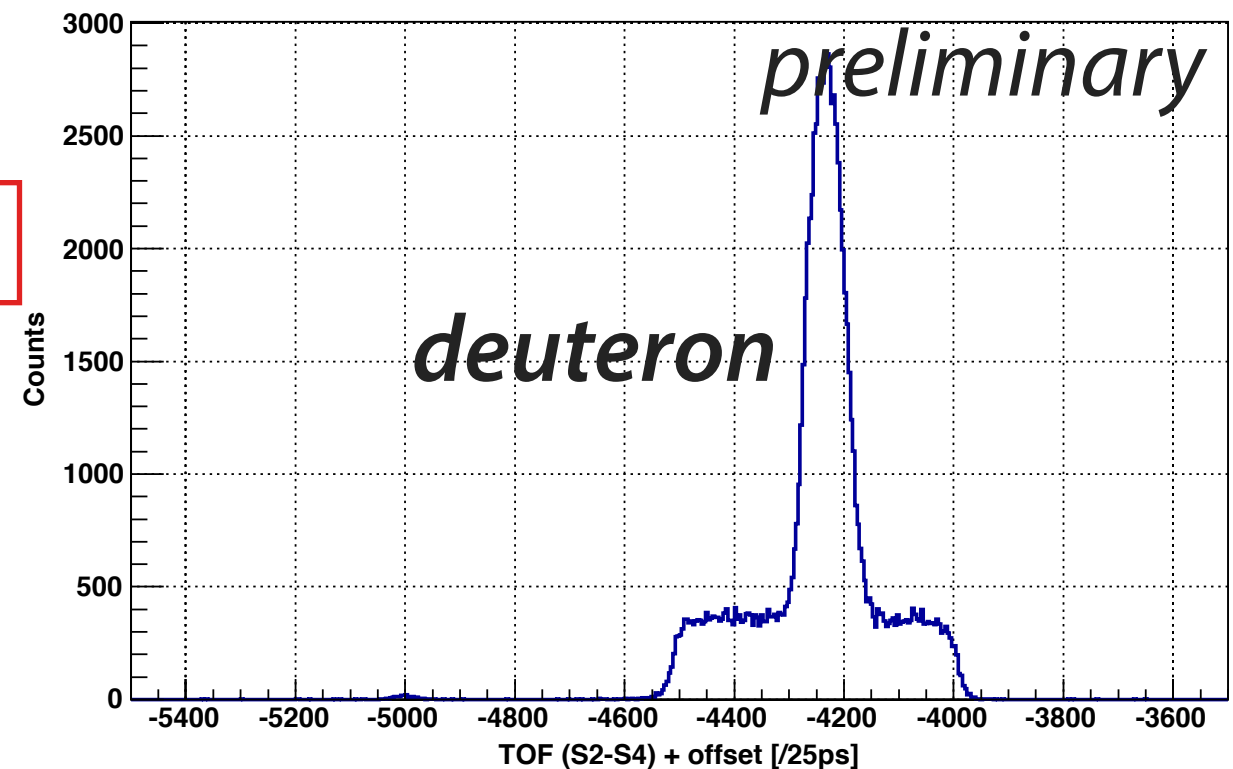
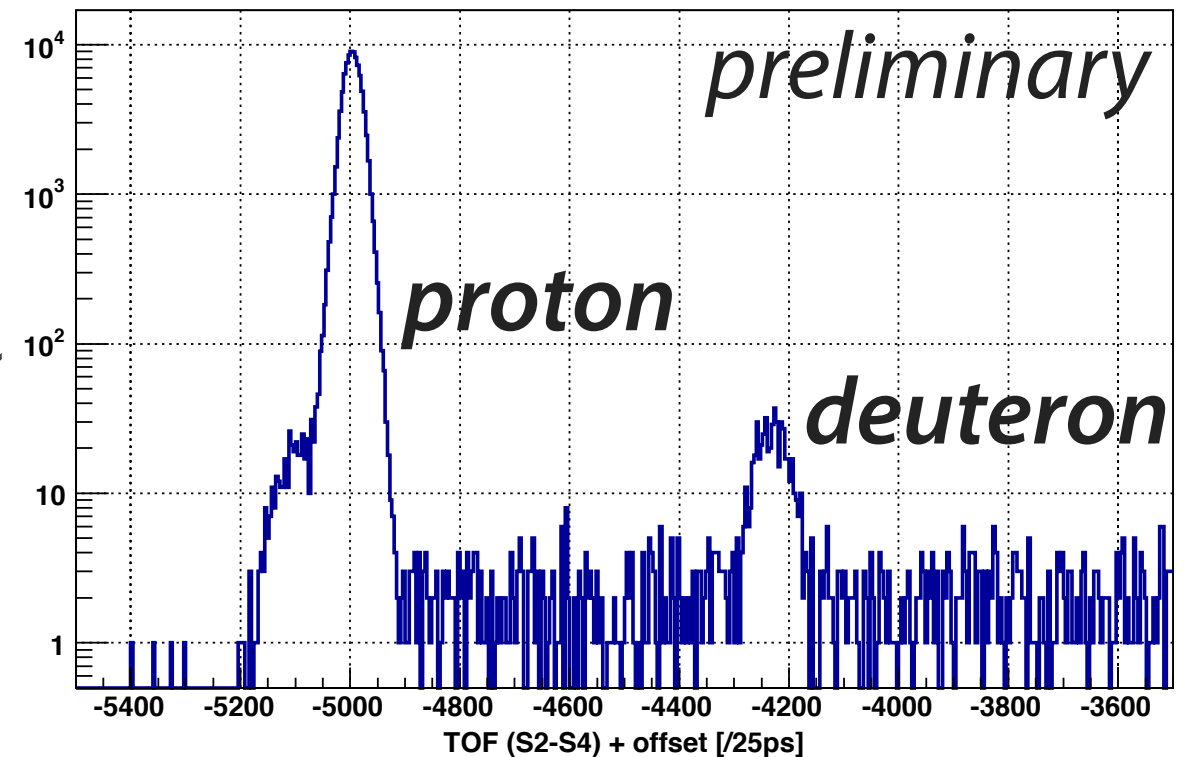
proton: 99.5% rejection

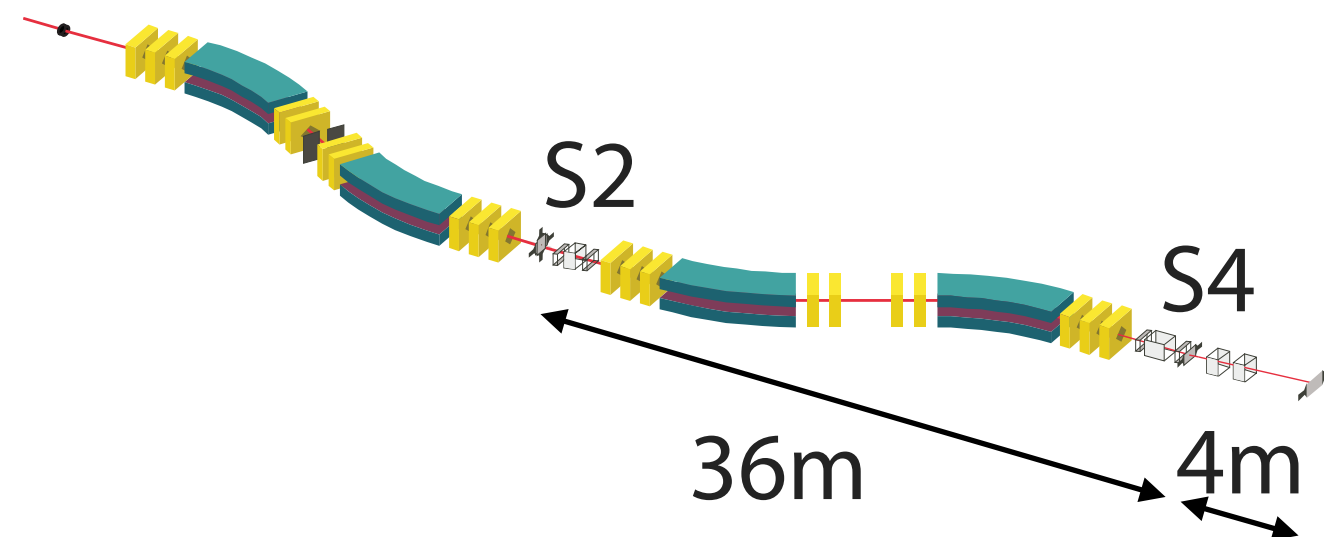
TOF trigger

p/d ratio ~ 1

note: Cerenkov counters  
were *not* used  
for triggering purpose.

TOF S2-S4



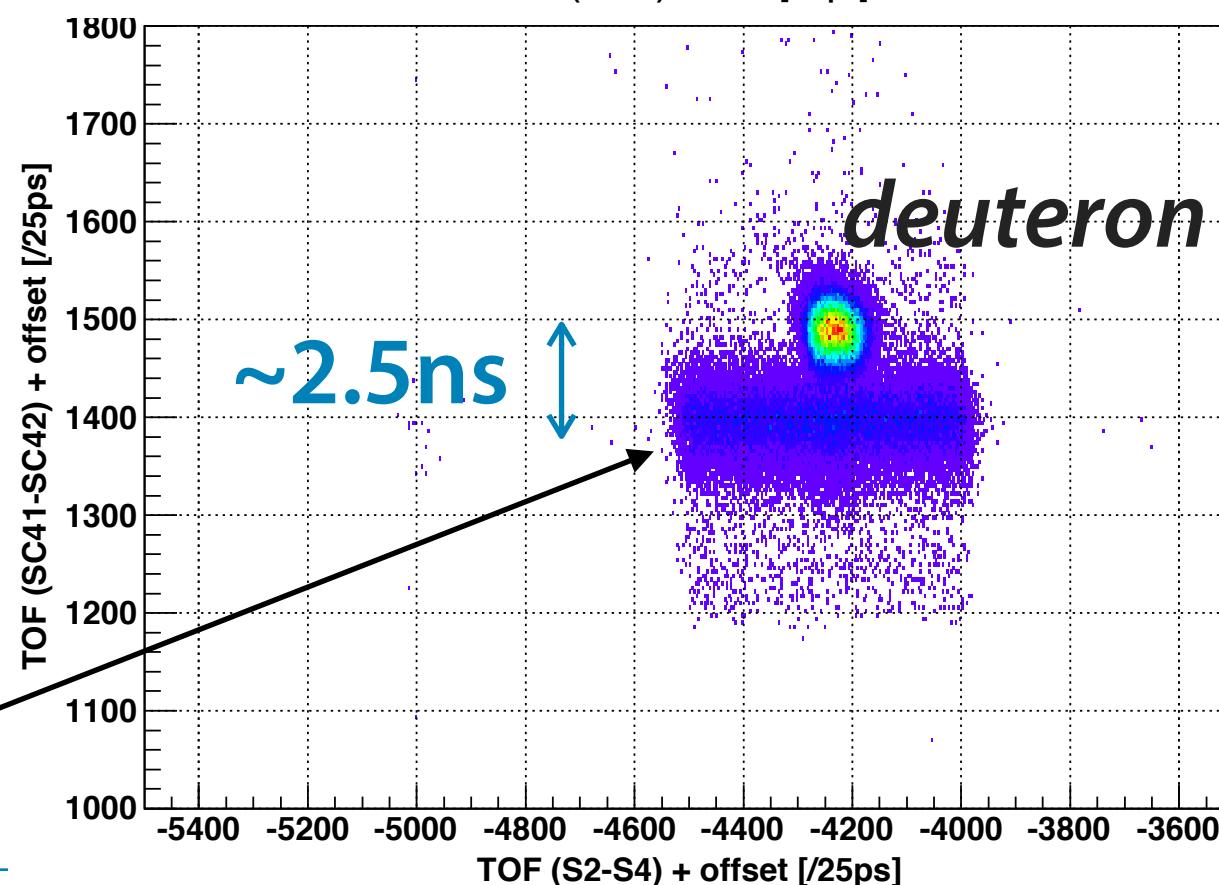
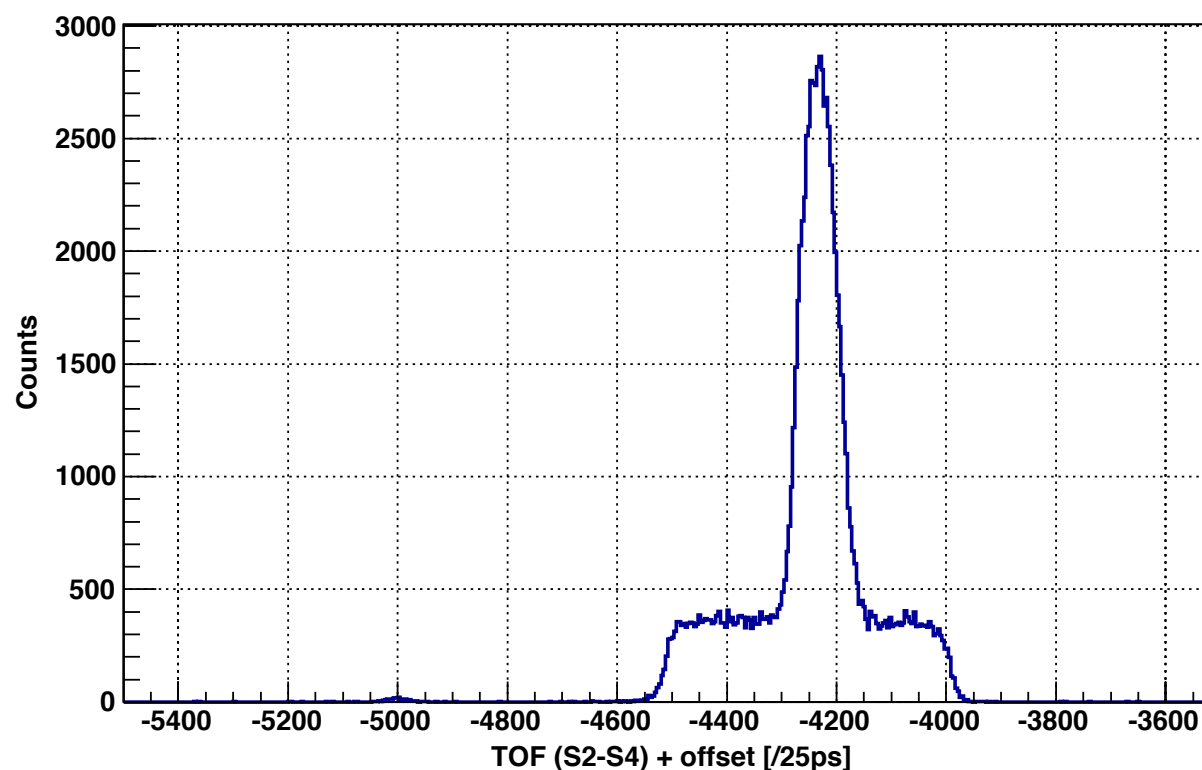


## further analysis

- Cerenkov signal
  - waveform analysis of S2, S4 scintillators
- ➡ (p,d) event selection

*“proton traveling through S2-S4  
plus a preceding proton”*

TOF S2-S4

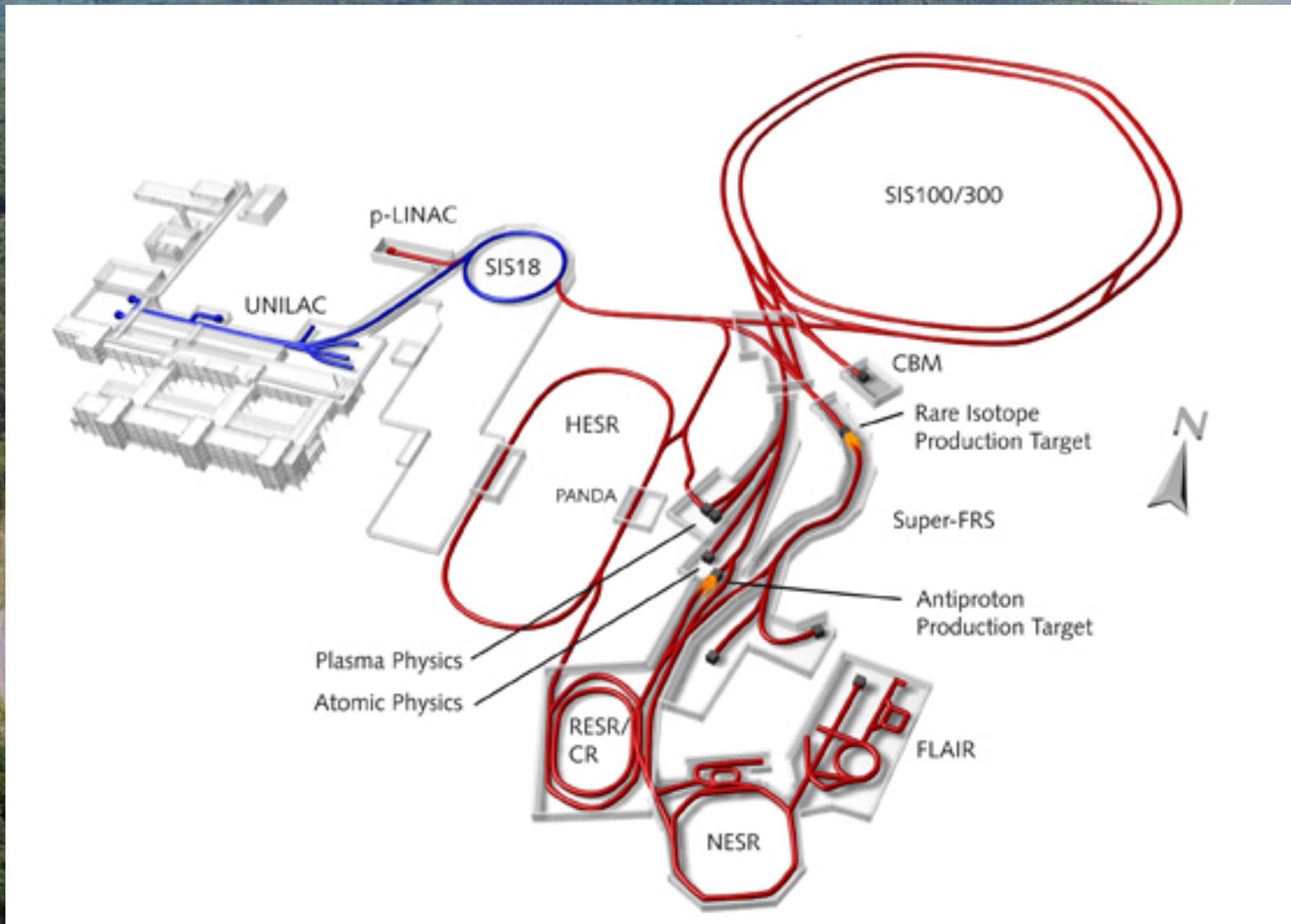






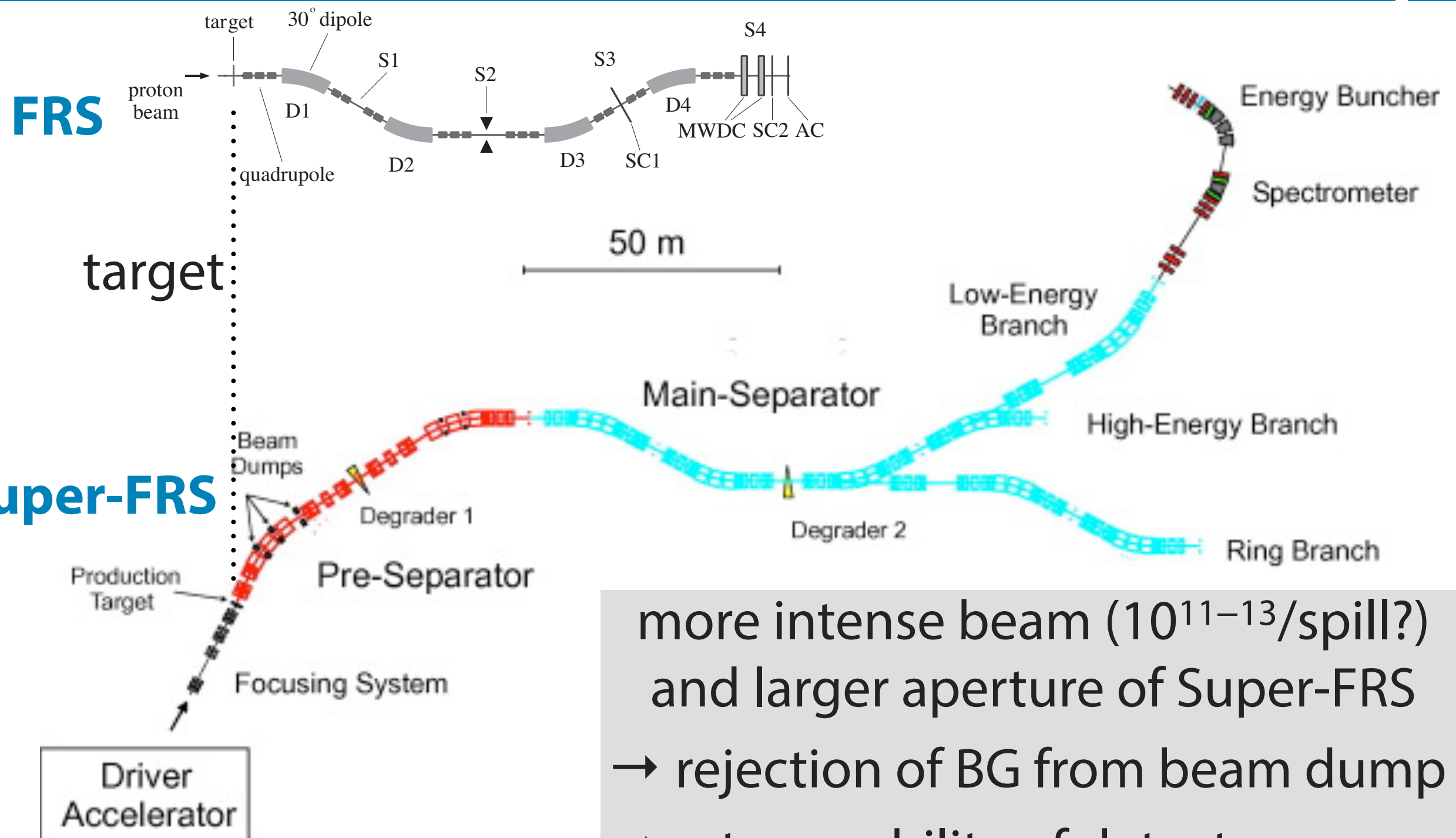






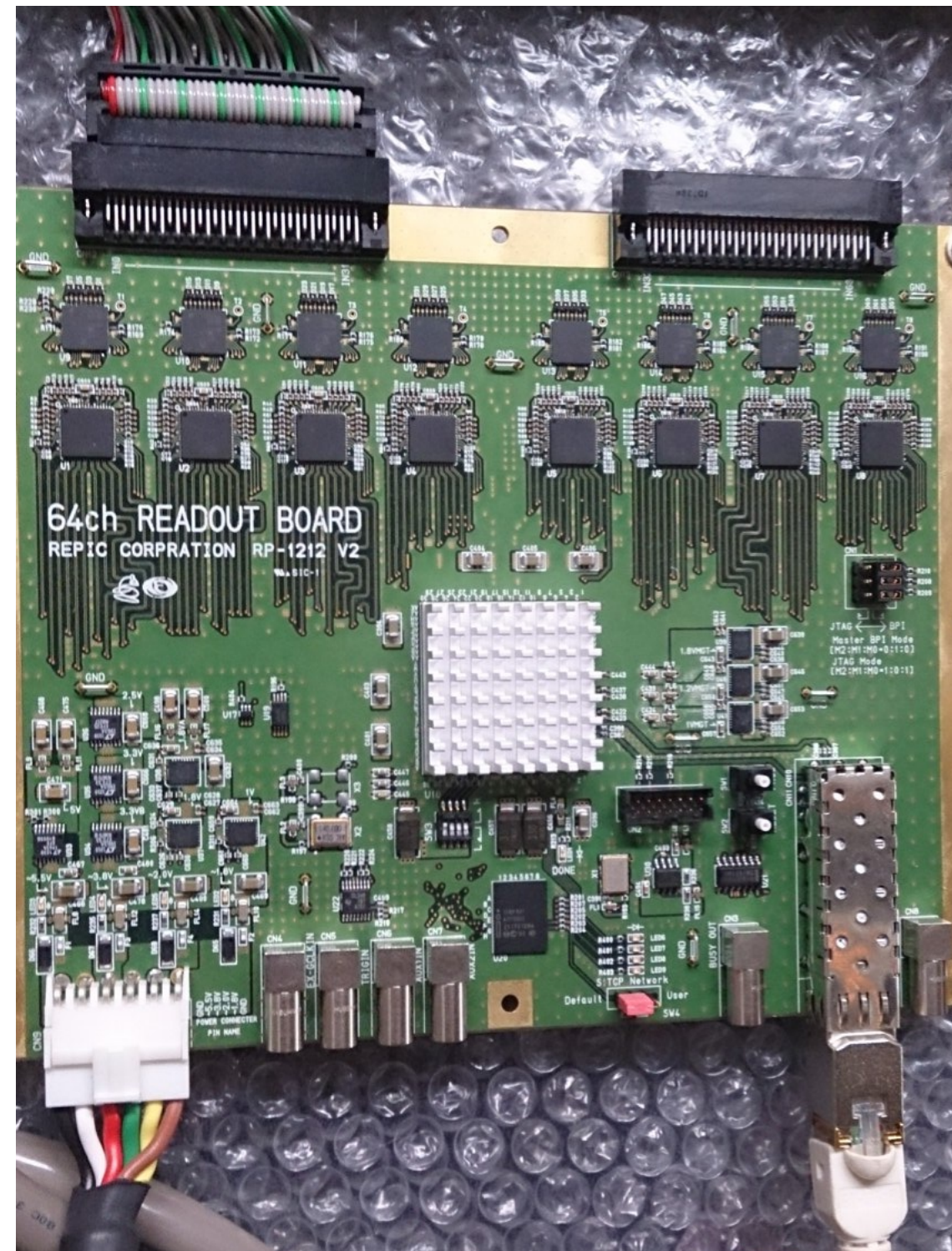


# **inclusive measurement at FAIR**



more intense beam ( $10^{11-13}$ /spill?)  
 and larger aperture of Super-FRS  
 → rejection of BG from beam dump  
 → rate capability of detectors  
 → faster DAQ

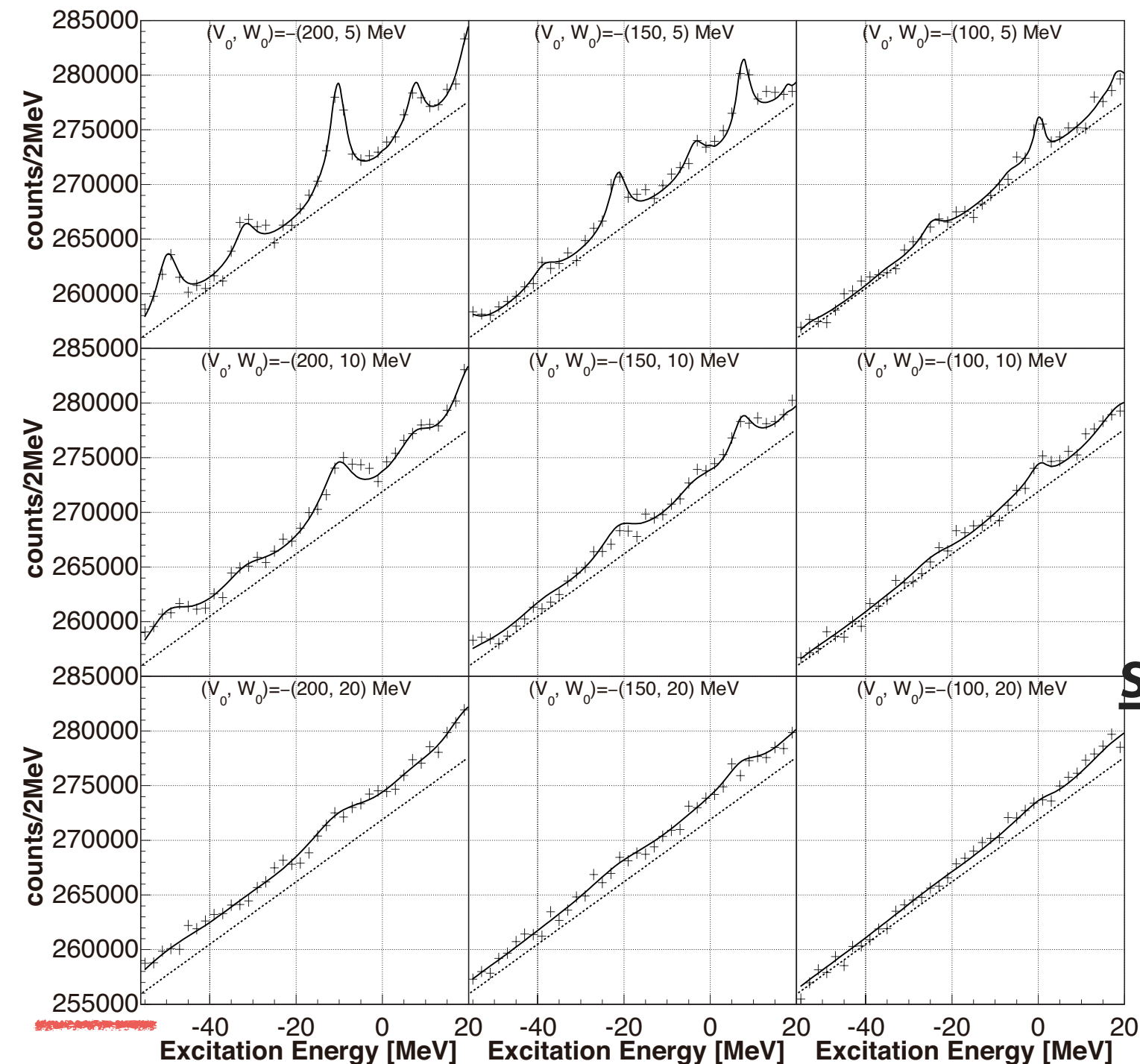
- ❖ one order of magnitude higher trigger rate
- ❖ R&D of 64ch readout board for MWDC
  - ▶ ASD + FlashADC + TDC
  - ▶ originally developed for Belle-II CDC
  - ▶ sub-trigger module for trigger distribution



H. Yamakami (Kyoto Univ.)  
Taniguchi et al., NIM A732, 540 (2013)

# semi-exclusive measurement at FAIR



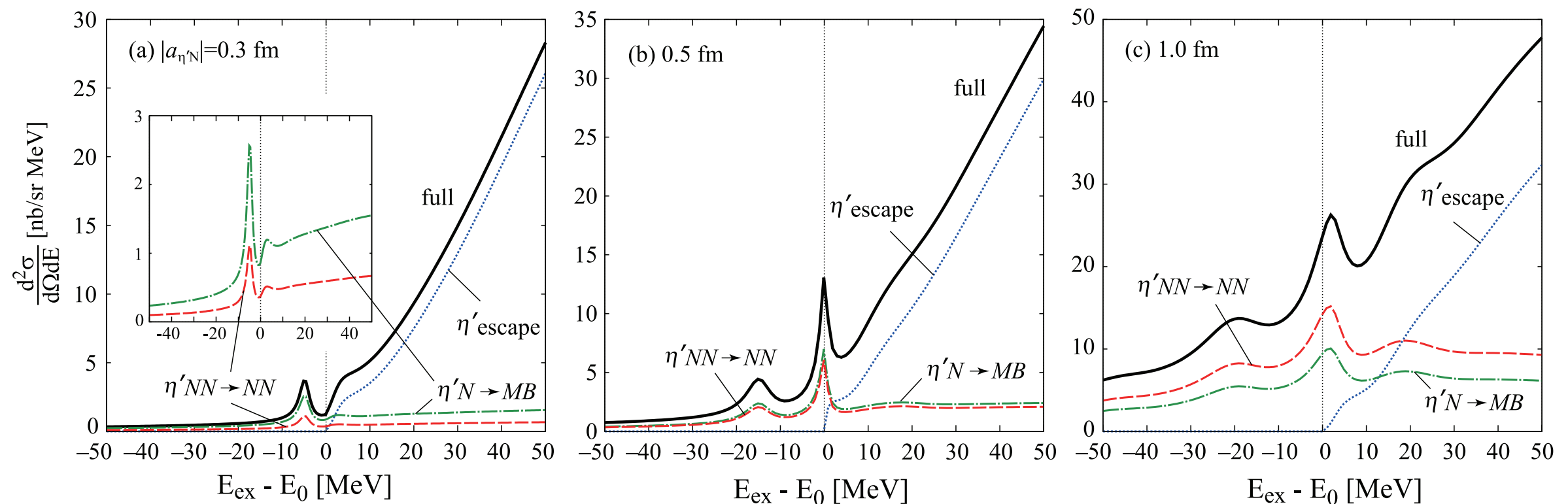


inclusive measurement  
 $S/N \sim O(1/100)$  at most

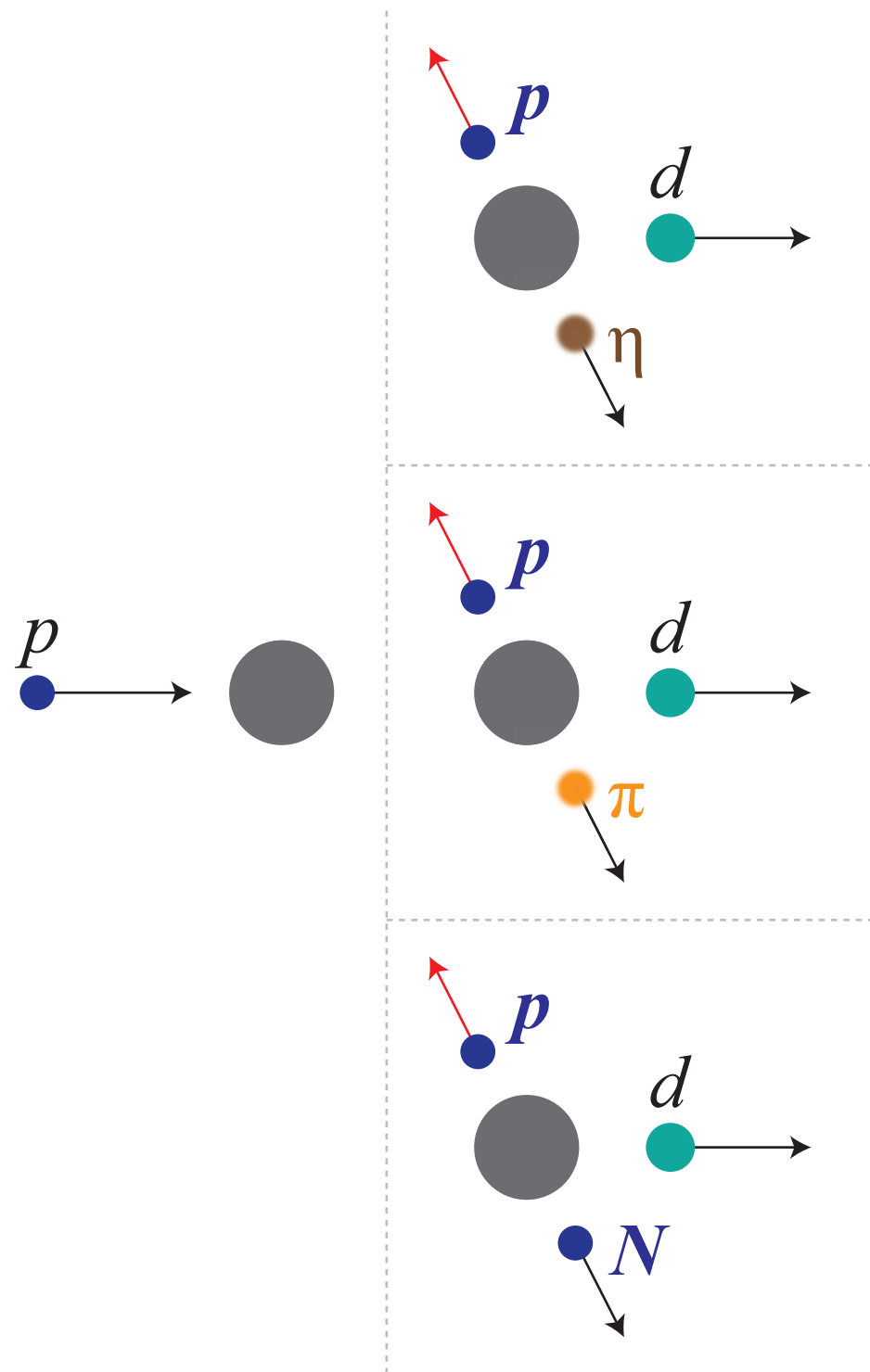
BG: multi- $\pi$  production

semi-exclusive measurement  
(w/ improved S/N)  
more sensitivity in case of  
shallow potential

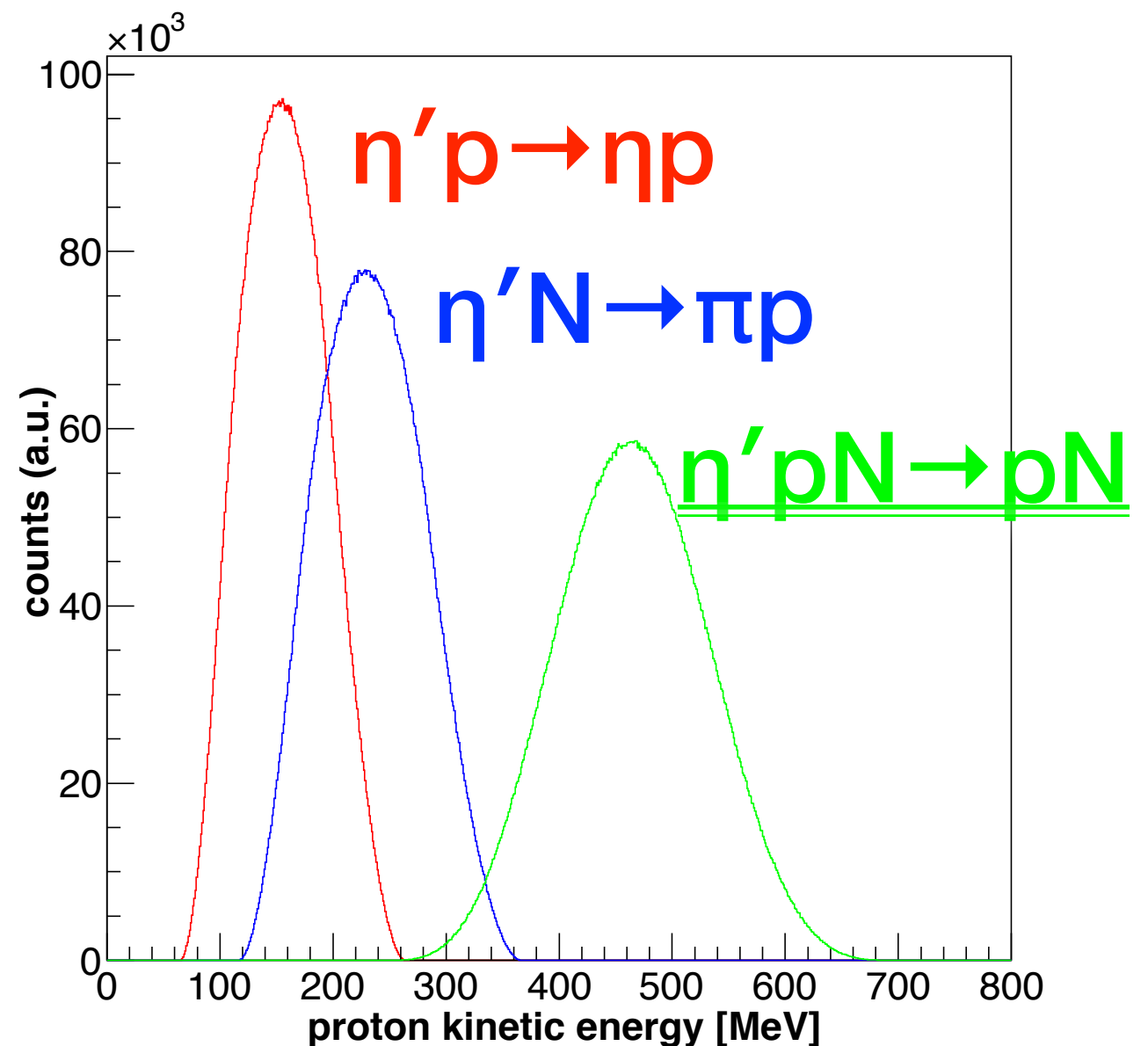
- ❖ one-nucleon absorption:  $\eta'N \rightarrow \eta N, (\pi N)$
- ❖ two-nucleon absorption:  $\eta'NN \rightarrow NN$ 
  - ▶ higher energy than in any mesonic processes



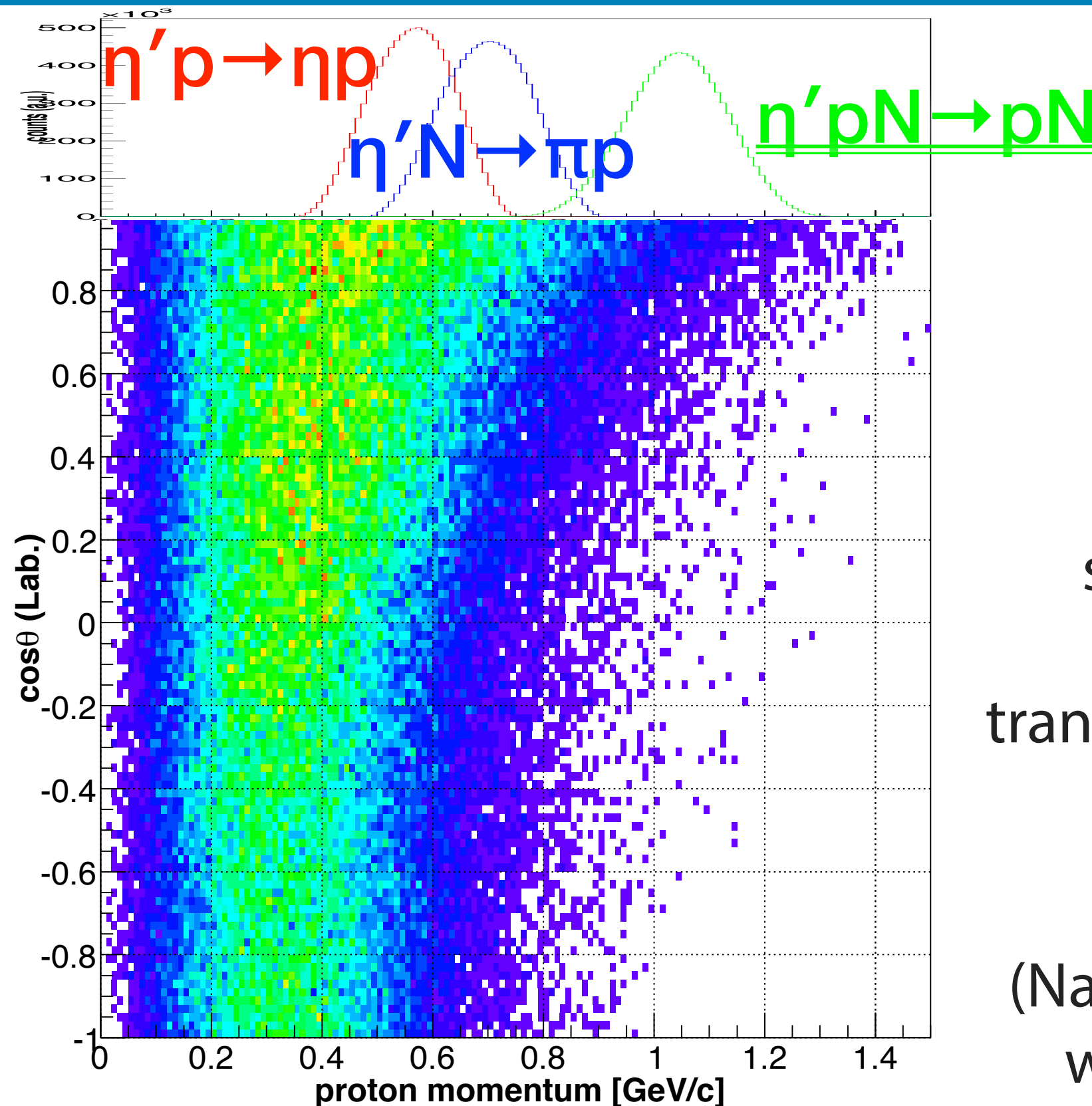
Nagahiro et al., PRC 87, 045201 (2013)



Detection of high energy protons  
( $T_p = 300\text{--}600\text{ MeV}$ )



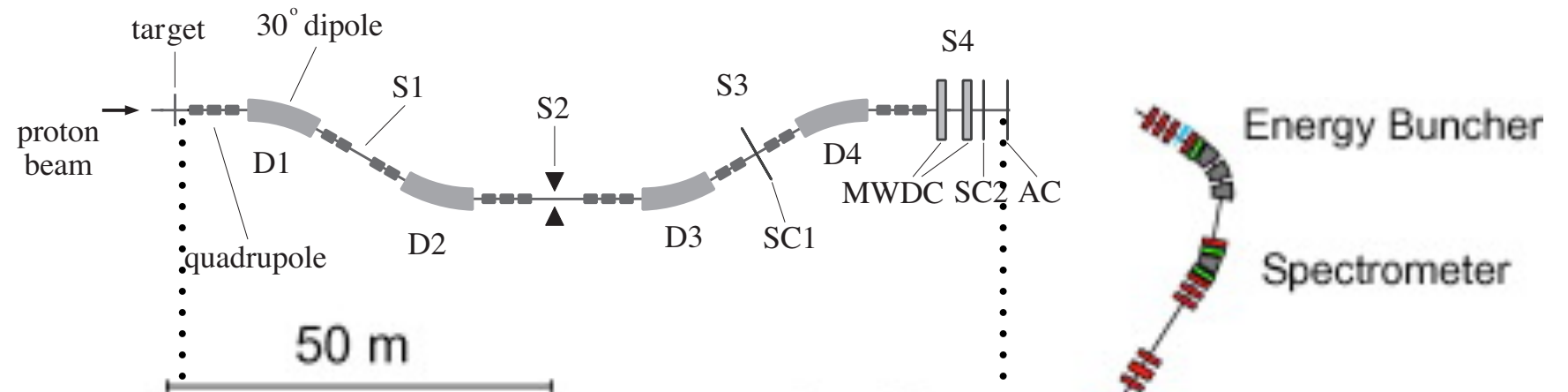




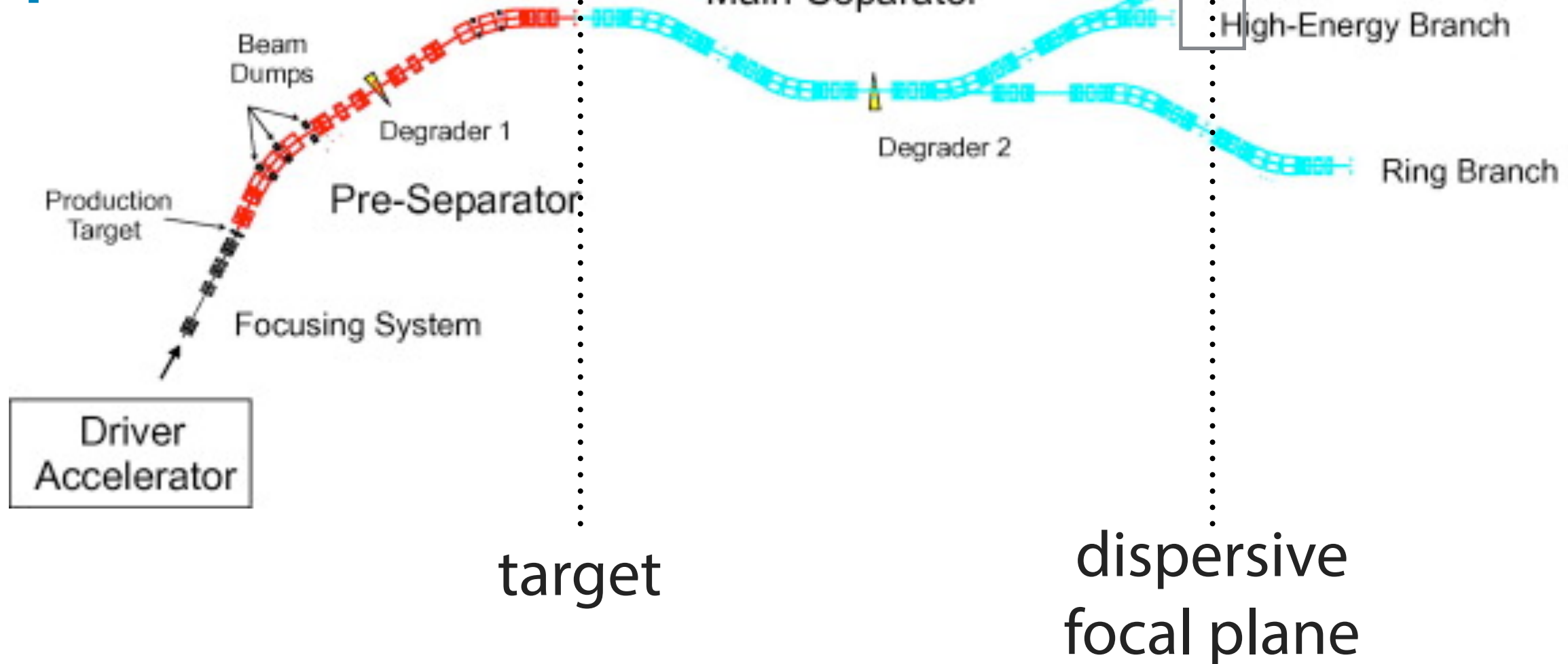
simulation by a  
microscopic  
transport model (JAM)

Y. Higashi  
(Nara Women's Univ)  
work in progress

FRS

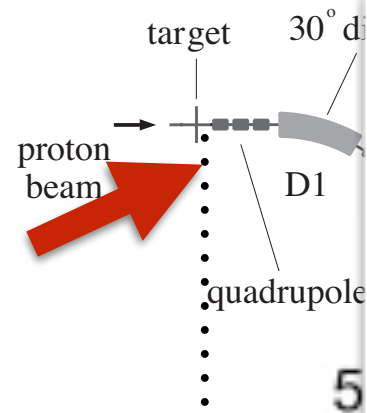


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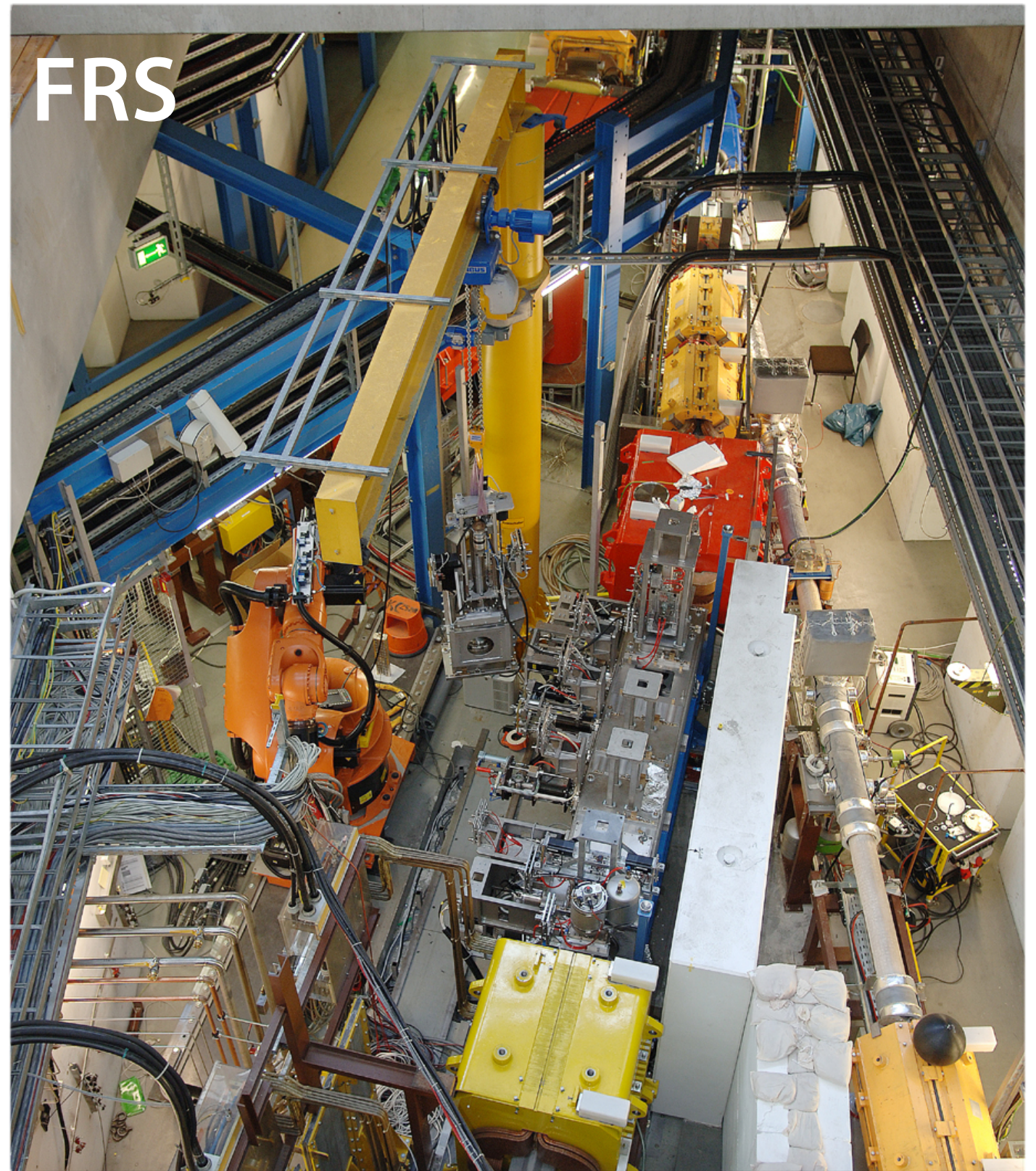




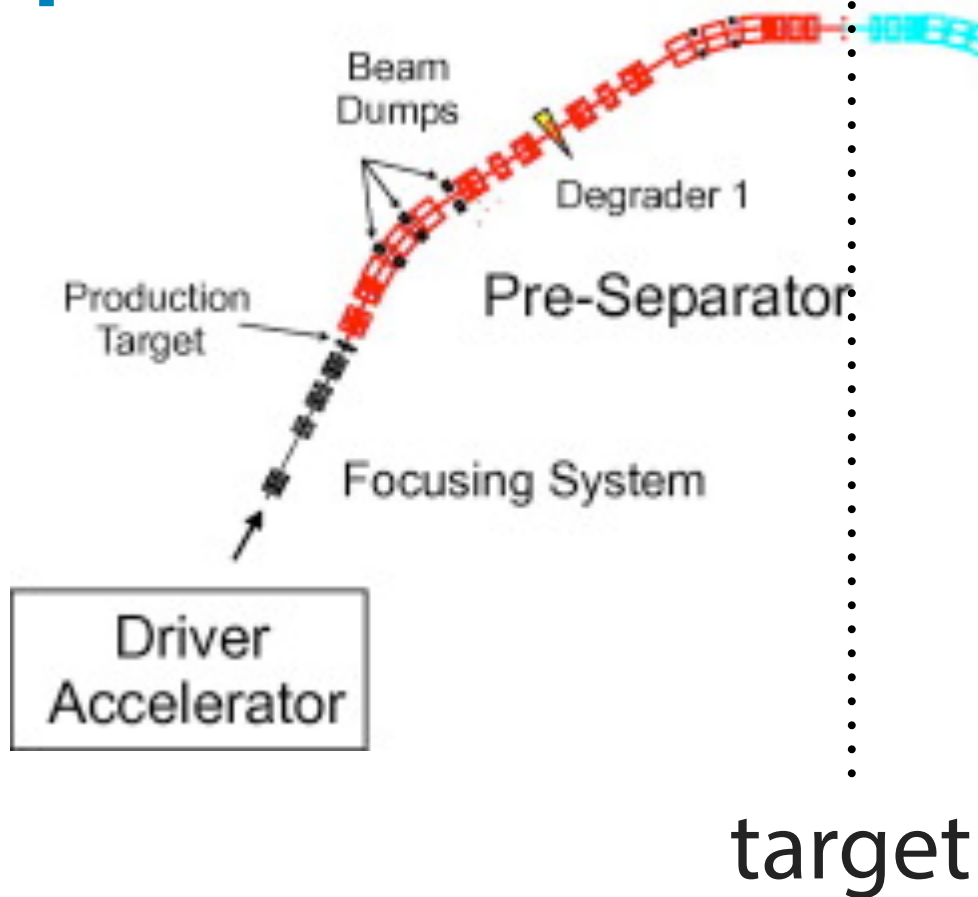
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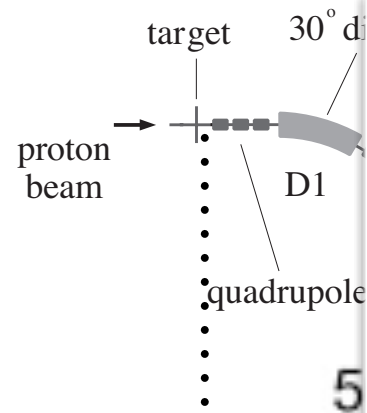


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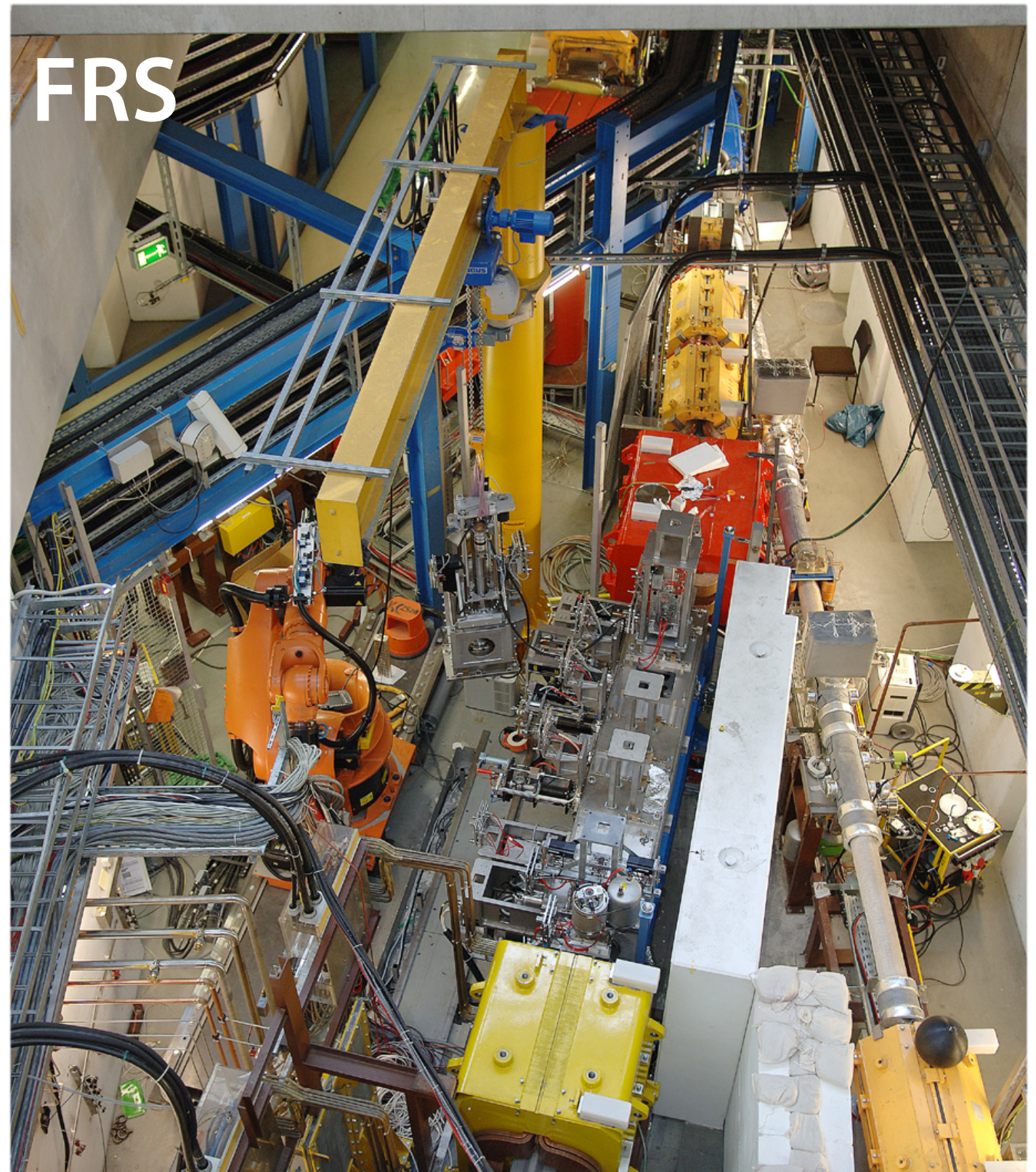
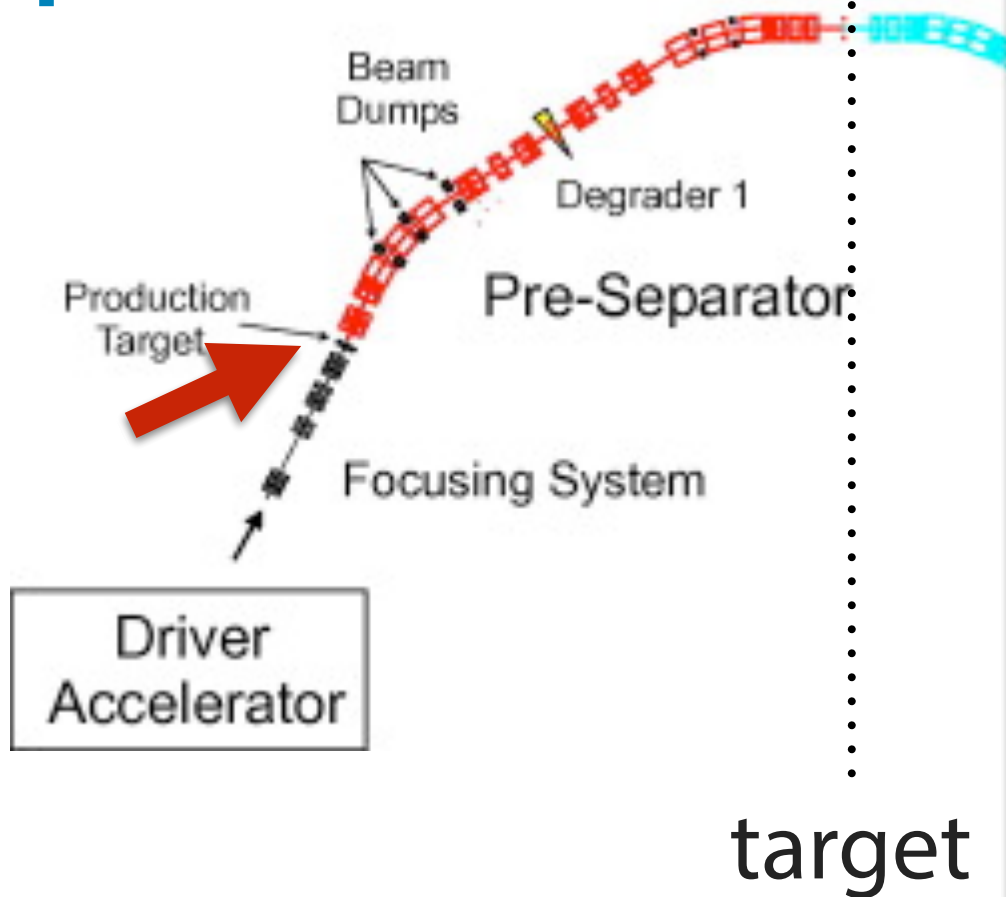




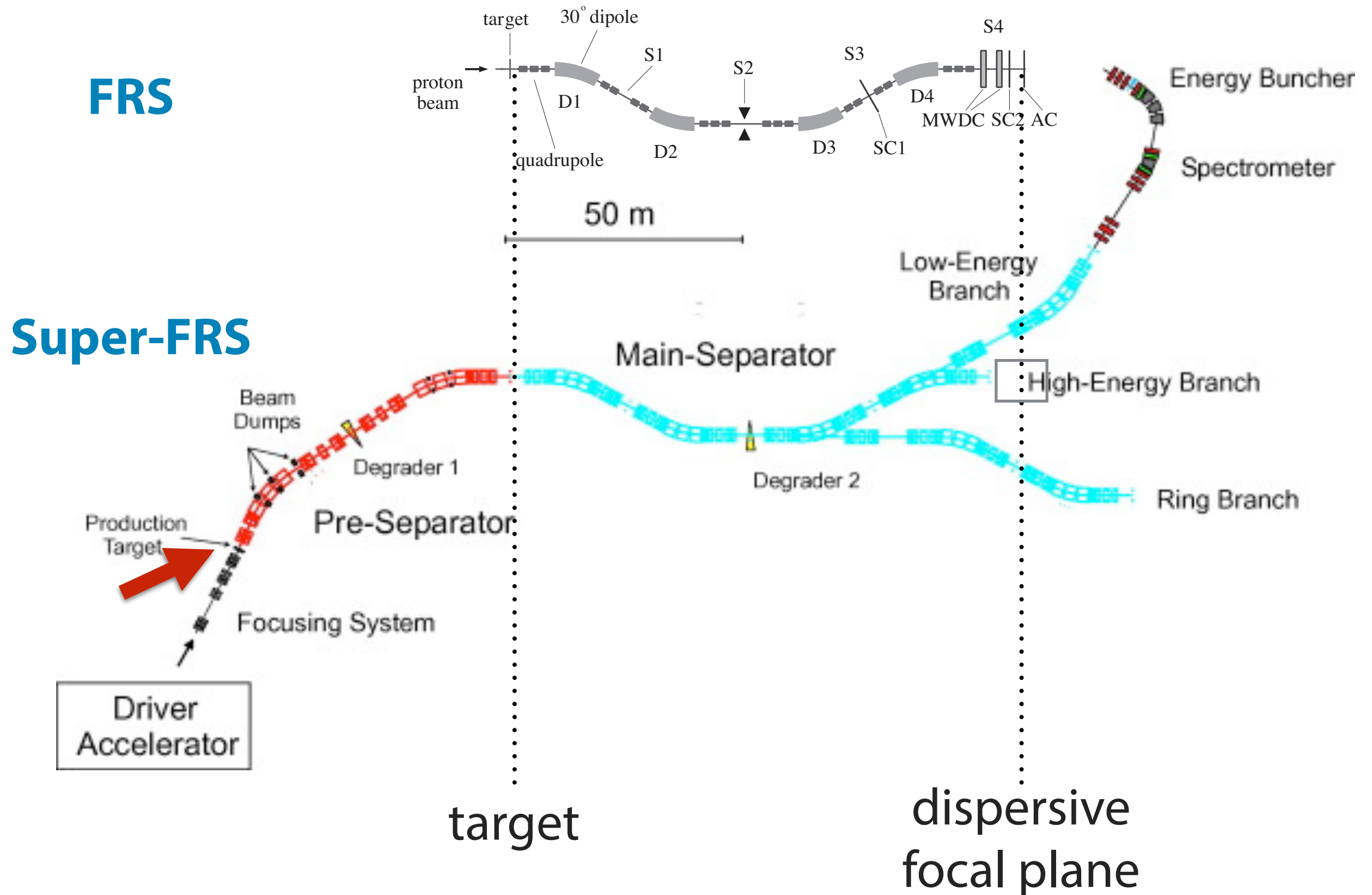
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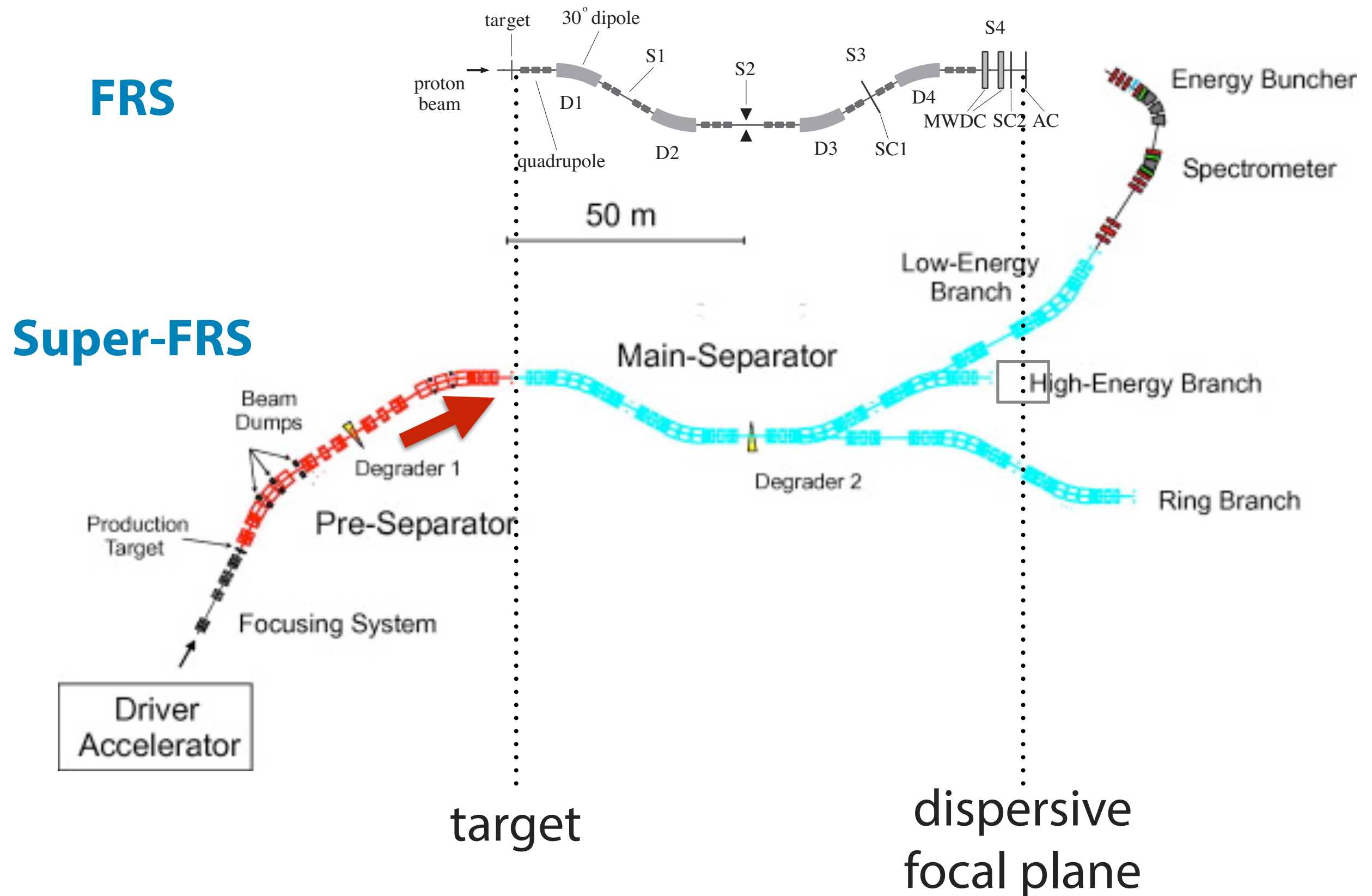
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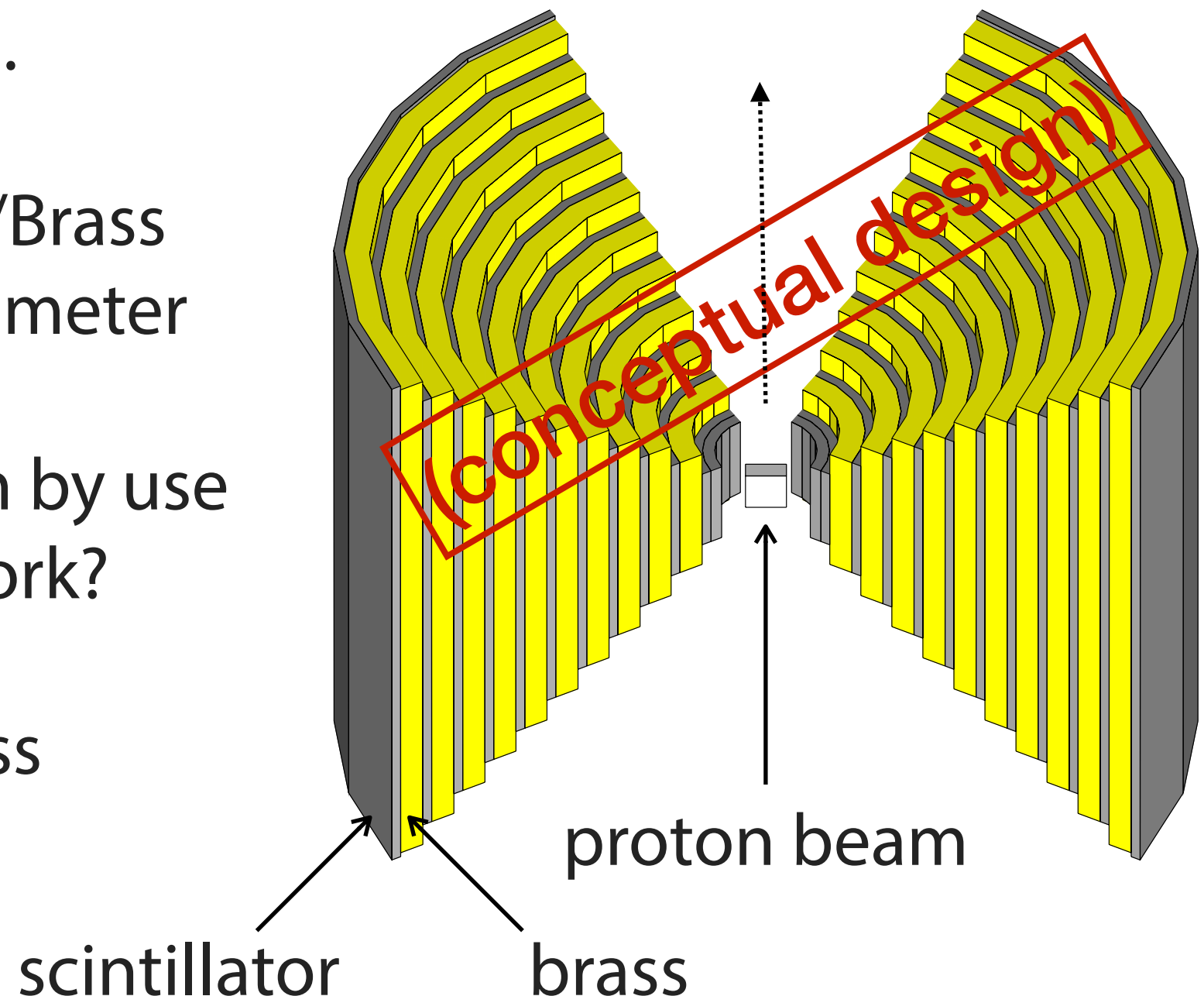








- ❖ just conceptual...
- ▶ 10 layers of Sci/Brass sampling calorimeter
- ▶  $p/\pi^\pm$  separation by use of neural network?
- ▶ work in progress



- ❖ possible existence of  $\eta'$ -nucleus bound state, due to partial restoration of chiral symmetry in medium
- ❖ **inclusive** measurement of (p,d) reaction at GSI/FAIR
  - ▶ high statistics and high resolution
  - ▶ near-threshold structure = signature of attractive int.
  - ▶ **First experiment S437** carried out in August 2014
    - ▶ verified experimental feasibility
  - ▶ DAQ upgrade in progress for higher statistics at FAIR
- ❖ **semi-exclusive** measurement planned at FAIR
  - ▶ **high-energy proton from  $\eta'pN \rightarrow pN$**  in coincidence