KOPIO

Measurement of $K_L^0 \to \pi^0 \nu\bar{\nu}$

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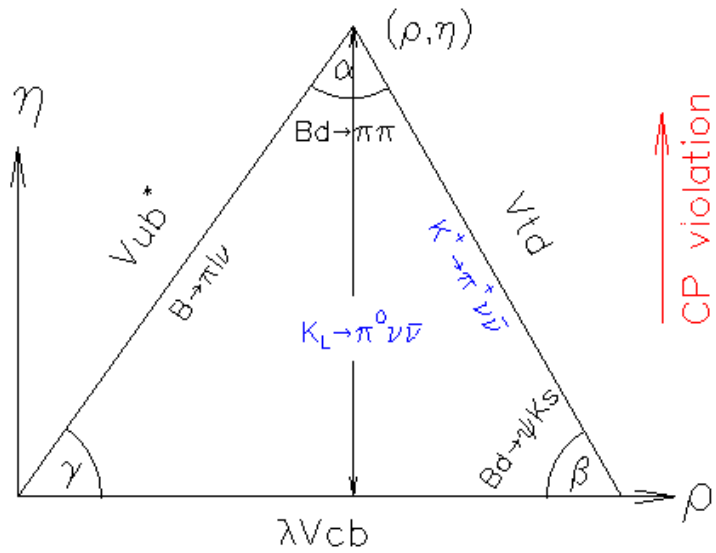
Standard Model CP Violation



$$\left\{ \text{"Jarlskog invariant"} \quad |J_{CP}| \right.$$
$$\left. 2A\square = \left|\mathrm{Im} V_{ts}^* V_{td}\right| \lambda\left(1-\frac{\lambda^2}{2}\right) \right\}$$

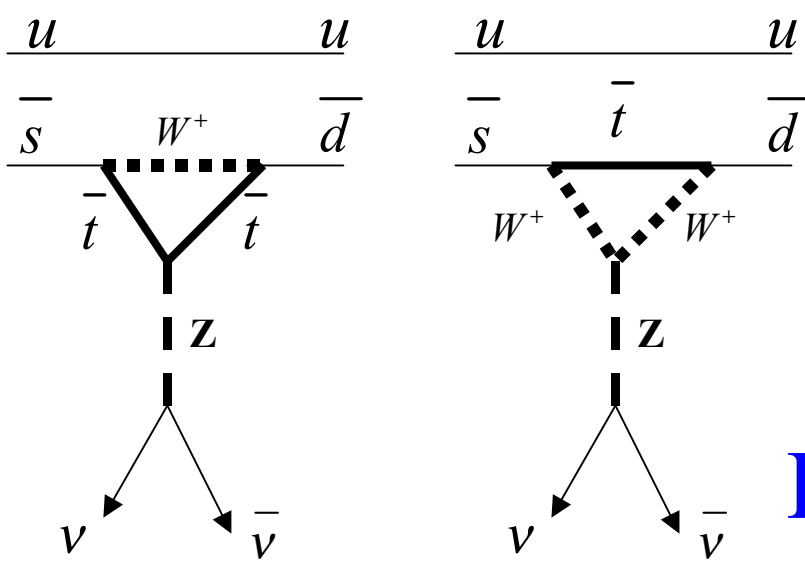
Super-clean processes will challenge the Standard Model:

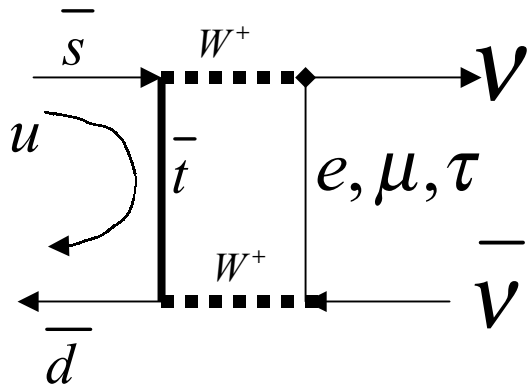
$K^+ \to \pi^+ \nu\bar{\nu}$	$\lvert V_{ts}^* V_{td} \rvert$	**E949**, CKM
$K_L^0 \to \pi^0 \nu\bar{\nu}$	$\mathrm{Im}(V_{ts}^* V_{td})$	KOPIO

$K \to \pi\nu\bar{\nu}$: Standard Model

Negligible long distance effects. Top quark dominance.

Hadronic matrix elements ($K \to \pi$) from $K \to \pi e \nu$.





	$K^+ \to \pi^+ \nu\bar{\nu}$	$K_L^0 \to \pi^0 \nu\bar{\nu}$
Branching Ratio $\left(10^{-11}\right)$	8.0 ± 1.1	3.2 ± 0.6
Theoretical Uncert. (est.)	7%	2%

Buchalla and Buras, Nucl. Phys. ***B548****, 309 (1999); Buras et al.,hep-ph/0402112; Isidori,hep-ph/307014.*

Roles of $K \to \pi\nu\bar{\nu}$ Measurements in Flavor Physics

New flavor physics in the s-d sector may be very different from that in the b sector:

* *If B - physics is consistent with the SM*:

*N*ew physics could be revealed $K \to \pi\nu\bar{\nu}$.

* *If deviations from the SM are indicated* :

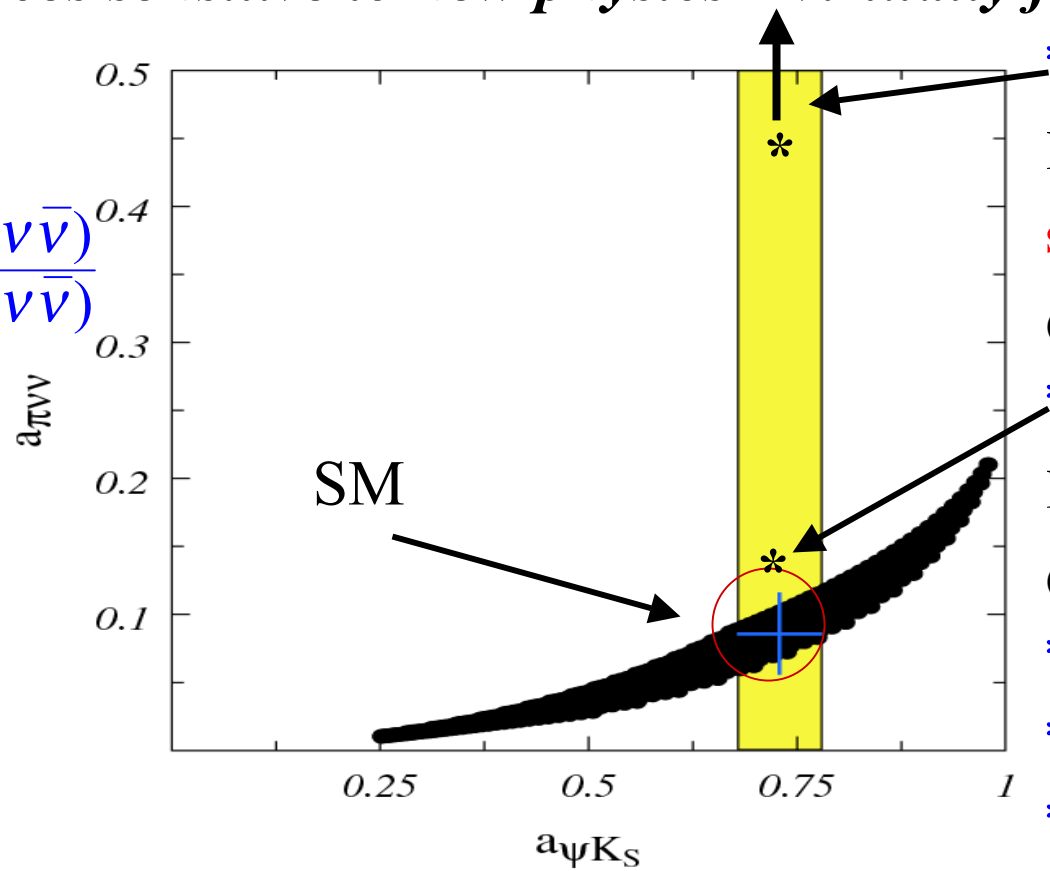
$K \to \pi\nu\bar{\nu}$ would add crucial additional information;

the complexity of the flavor sector beyond the SM is foreseen in many models.

$B \to \psi K_S$ and $K \to \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$

Differences sensitive to new physics – virtually free of uncertainties.

$$\frac{\Gamma(K_L^0 \to \pi^0 \nu\bar{\nu})}{\Gamma(K^+ \to \pi^+ \nu\bar{\nu})}$$



* "Enhanced" Z^0 Penguins

$\Gamma(K^+)$ x 1; $\Gamma(K_L^0)$ x 12

$\sin(2\beta_X) = -0.69$

(Buras et al. hep-ph/040211)

* Minimal Flavor Viol.

$\Gamma(K^+)$ x 2; $\Gamma(K_L^0)$ x 4

(Buras hep-ph/0310208)

* Multiple Higgs
* Extra dimensions
* Low energy SUSY

CP asymmetry in $B \to \psi K_S$

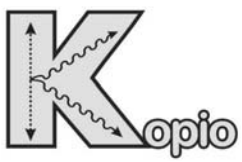
Nir and Worrah, Phys. Lett. **B423**,319 (1998)

Experiments seeking $K^0 \to \pi^0 \nu\bar{\nu}$

[Limit based on isospin and $K^+ \to \pi^+ \nu\bar{\nu}$:

$$R(K_L^0 \to \pi^0 \nu\bar{\nu}) \equiv \frac{\Gamma(K_L^0 \to \pi^0 \nu\bar{\nu})}{\Gamma(K_L^0 \to all)} < 1.4 \times 10^{-9}$$ [Grossman, Nir]]

- KTEV (FNAL) result: $< 5.9 \times 10^{-7}$
- KEK E391a *goal* : s.e.s. $10^{-10} - 10^{-9}$
- KOPIO (BNL) *goal* : s.e.s. $< 10^{-12}$, >50 events



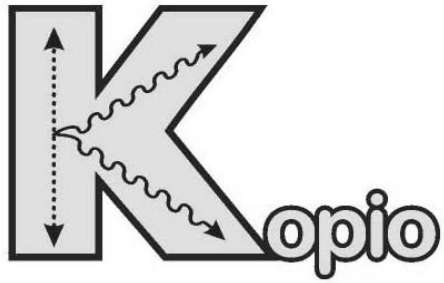
KOPIO seeks an improvement of 10^5 over present results.

$K_L^0 \to \pi^0 \nu\bar{\nu}$ Measurement

Primary Backgrounds

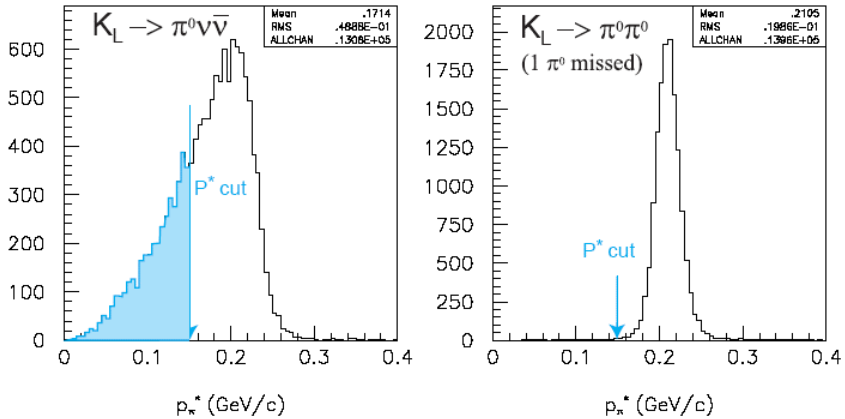
Mode	Branching Ratio
$K_L^0 \to \pi^0\pi^0$	0.93×10^{-3}
$K_L^0 \to \pi^- e^+ \nu \gamma$	0.36×10^{-2}
$K_L^0 \to \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	0.1255
Others	

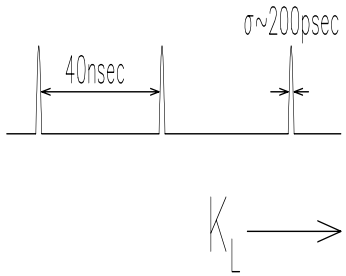
KOPIO: Measurement of $K_L^0 \to \pi^0\nu\bar{\nu}$

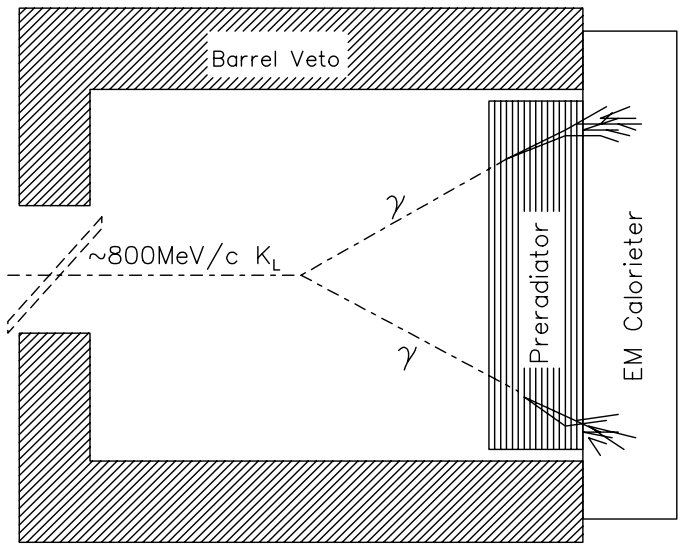


CONCEPTS

- Measure as much as possible:
  Energy, position and $ANGLE$ of each photon.
- Work in the C.M. system :
  Use TOF to get the K_L^0 momentum.
- Maximize Photon Veto Efficiency
- Maximize Intensity of Microbunched Beam







Nominal Beam Parameters

Proton Beam:

100 Tp/spill (Upgraded from present 70 Tp)

2.7 s spill, 2.3 s interspill period

25 MHz micro-buching frequency

Bunch width 200ps

Interbunch extinction $10^{-3} - 10^{-2}$

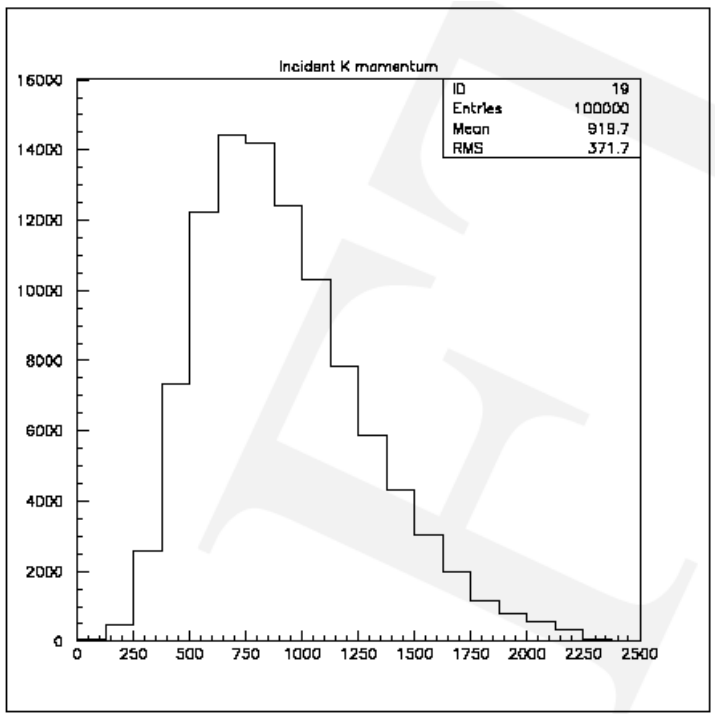
"Kaon Beam":

42.5 degree take-off angle

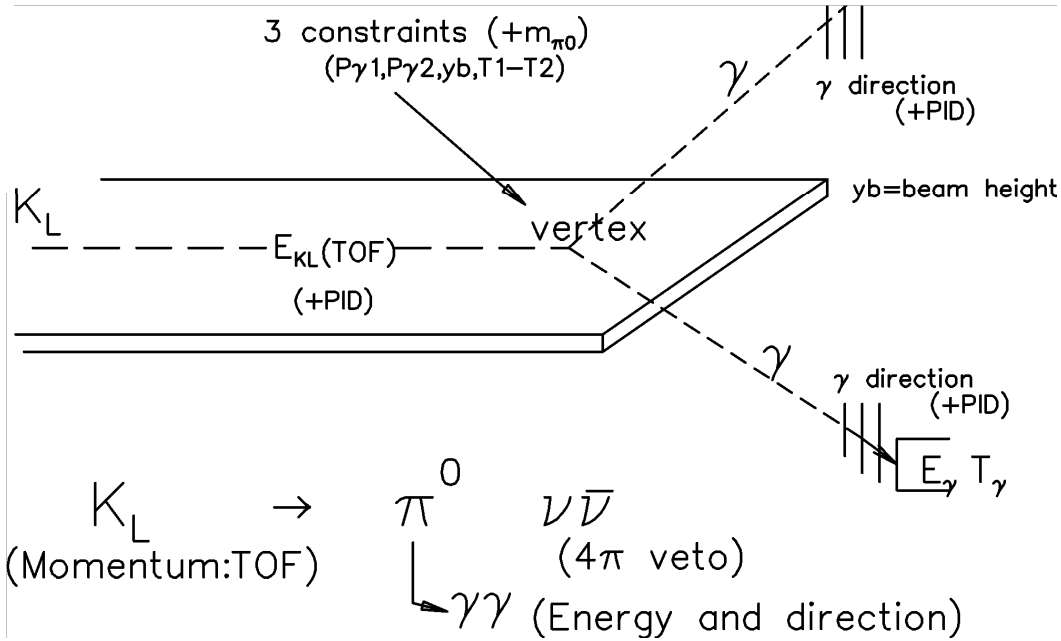
Soft momentum spectrum [0.5,1.5 GeV]

10^{8} K_L / spill, 12 % decay

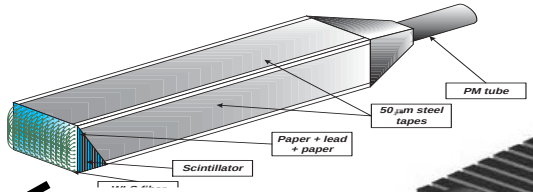
10^{11} neutrons / spill



KOPIO Beam and Constraints



Shashlyk calorimeter

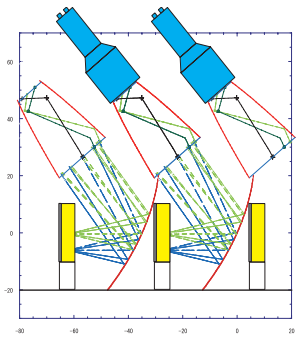


Barrel, US Veto

CP veto

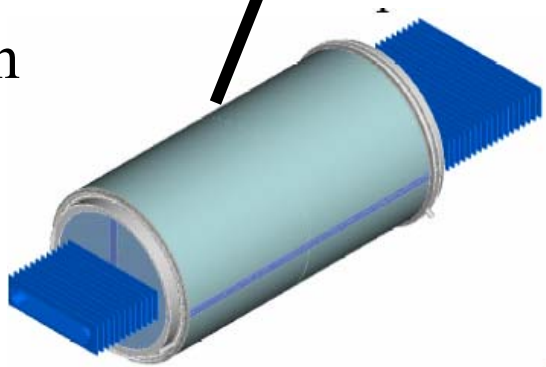
Beam γ veto

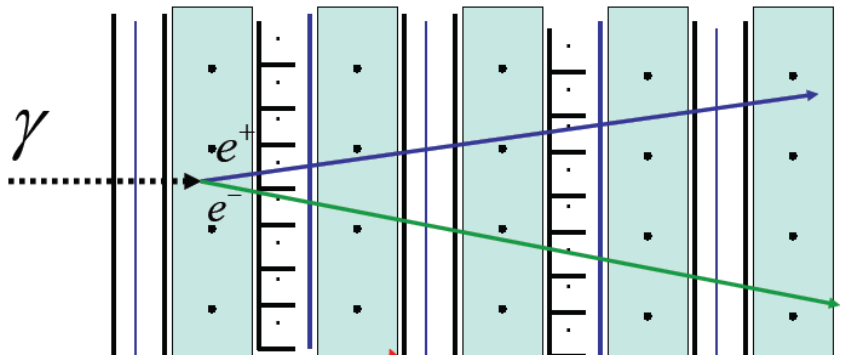
DS Veto



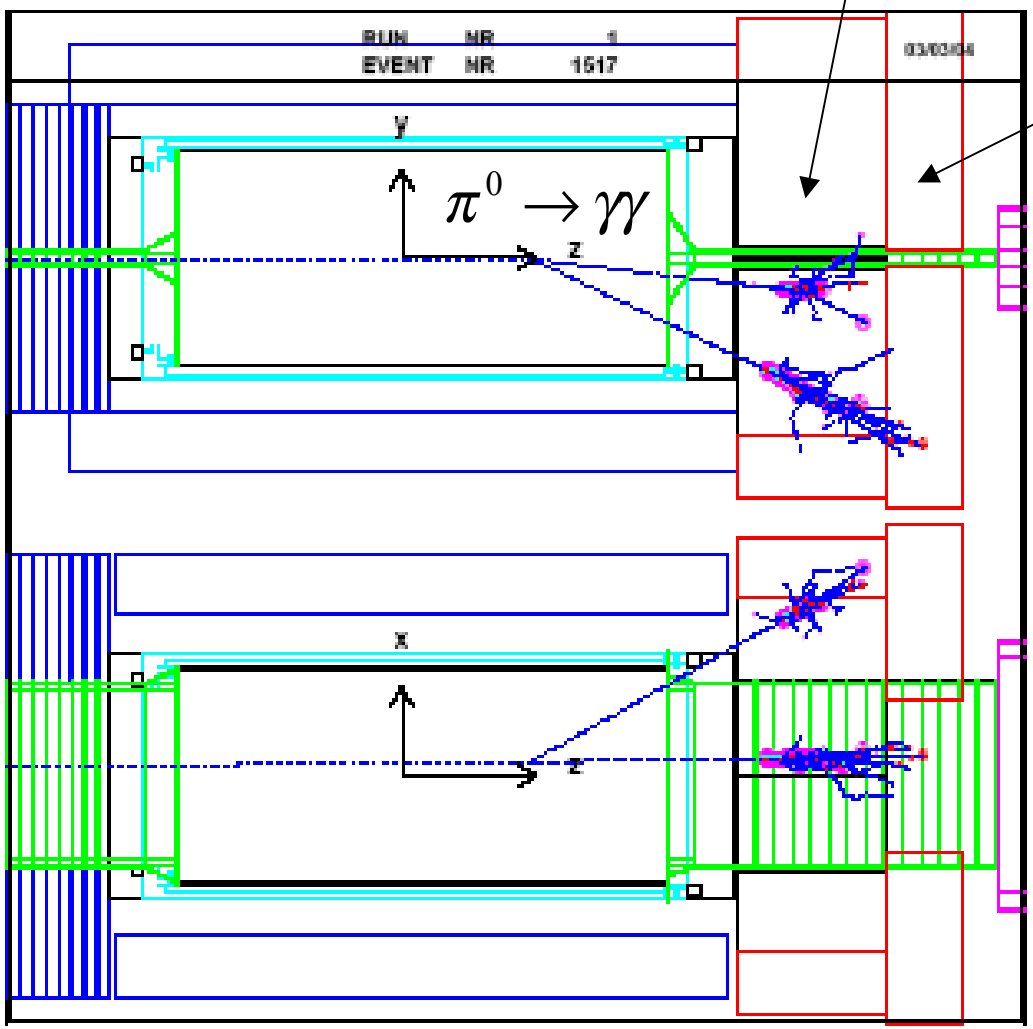
2 X_0 Preradiator

Vacuum tank





$K_L^0 \to \pi^0 \nu\bar{\nu}$



Reconstruct first $\gamma \to e^+e^-$ in "Preradiator" to point to K decay vertex in vacuum.

KOPIO Technique: Lessons from $K^+ \to \pi^+ \nu\bar{\nu}$

Common Problem:

Similar background processes exceed signal $>10^{10}$

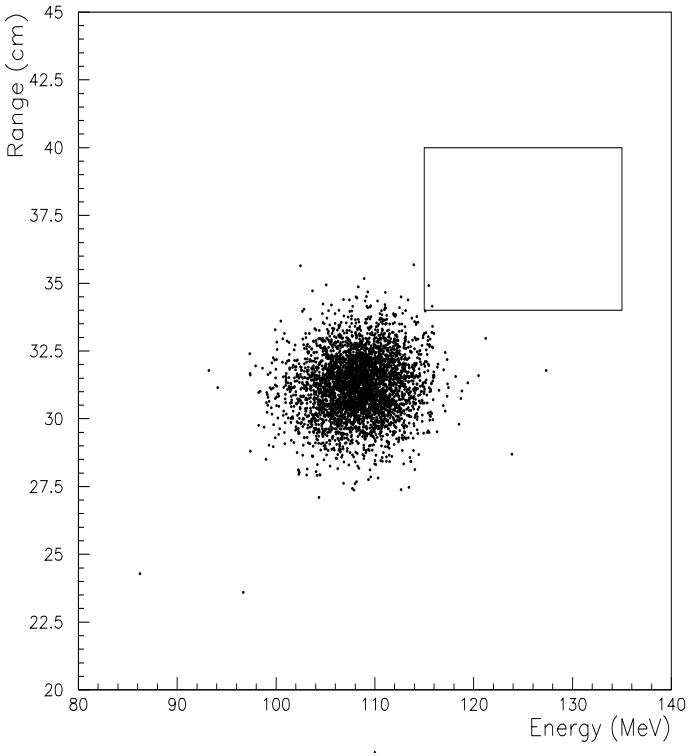
- Measure everything! (energy, position, angle, time)
- Eliminate extra charged particles or ***photons***
  - * E949 π^0 inefficiency $< 10^{-6}$
  - * KOPIO π^0 inefficiency $< 10^{-8}$
- Suppress backgrounds below the signal
  - * Predict backgrounds *from data*: dual cuts
  - * Use "Blind analysis" techniques
  - * Test predictions "outside-the-box"
- Evaluate candidate events with S/N function

*E*949 $K^+ \to \pi^+\pi^0$ Background Suppression

Dual cuts: γ Veto and Kinematics (P,R,E...)

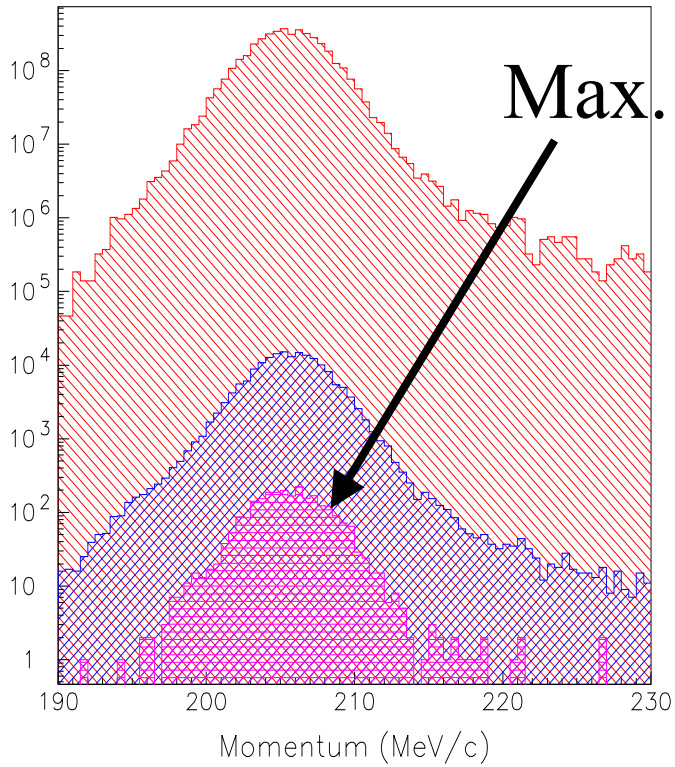
γ Veto Reversed

Range vs. Energy



γ Veto Applied

Momentum



Max. γ veto

Check for correlations

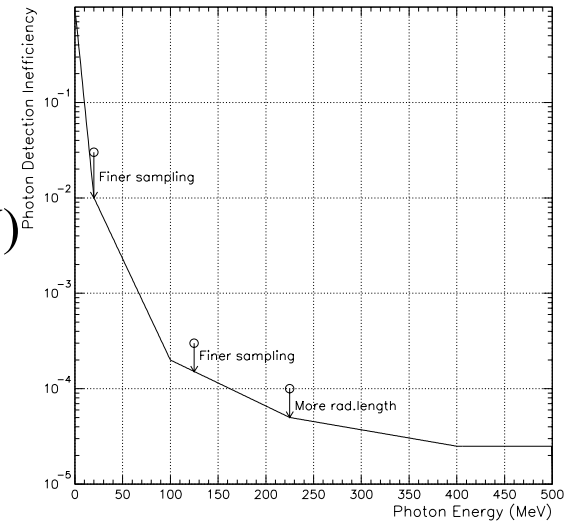
Photon Vetoing

E787

$\bar{\varepsilon}_\gamma \sim 10^{-2}$ (20-100 MeV)

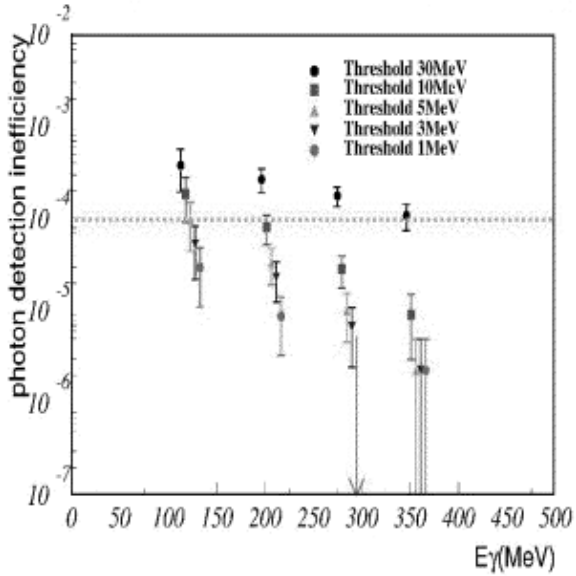
$\sim 10^{-4}$ (100-220 MeV)

$\bar{\varepsilon}\pi^0 < 10^{-6}$



KEK *Photonuclear*

Inefficiency of γ detection



Photon vetoing & Kinematics:

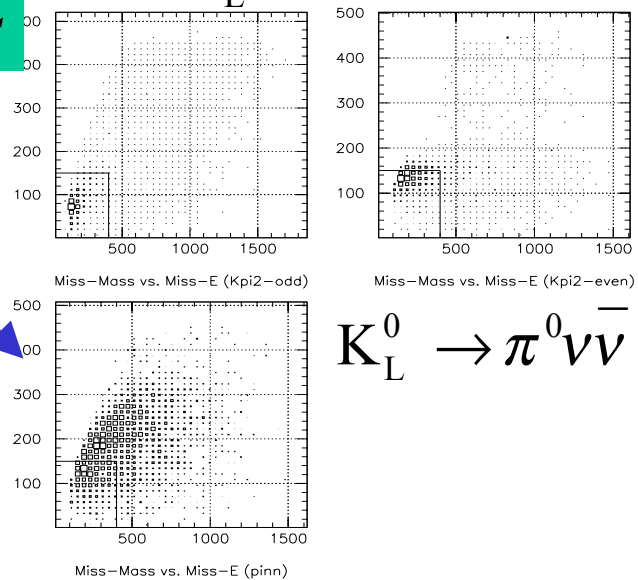
Suppress events with low energy photons

Missing mass $(2E_1^{miss}E_2^{miss}cos\theta_{12})$ vs.

Missing energy $(E_1^{miss} + E_2^{miss})$

$\bar{\varepsilon}\pi^0 < (10^{-4})(10^{-4}) = 10^{-8}$

$K_L^0 \to \pi^0\pi^0$



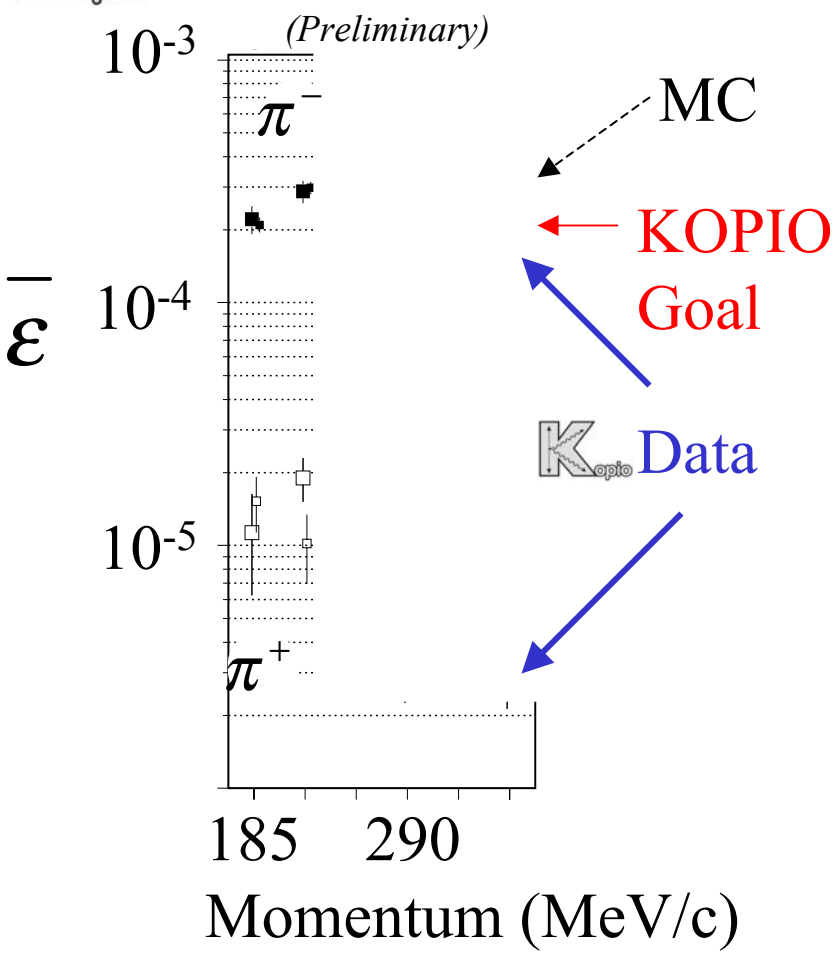
$K_L^0 \to \pi^0\nu\bar{\nu}$

Charged Particle Vetoing

Example Background: $\mathbf{K}_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ \nu \gamma$

Plastic Scintillator

PSI Measurement



KEK: 1 GeV/c

Particle	$\bar{\varepsilon}$
e^+	$(3.2 \pm 0.9)\ x\ 10^{-4}$
π^+	$< 1.6 x 10^{-5}$
e^-	$< 1.3 x 10^{-4}$
π^-	$(6.0 \pm 0.6)\ x\ 10^{-4}$

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Key features of the KOPIO concept have been established:

- Micro-bunching
- Photon pointing, energy resolution
- Vetoing – including charged particles, photons, catcher

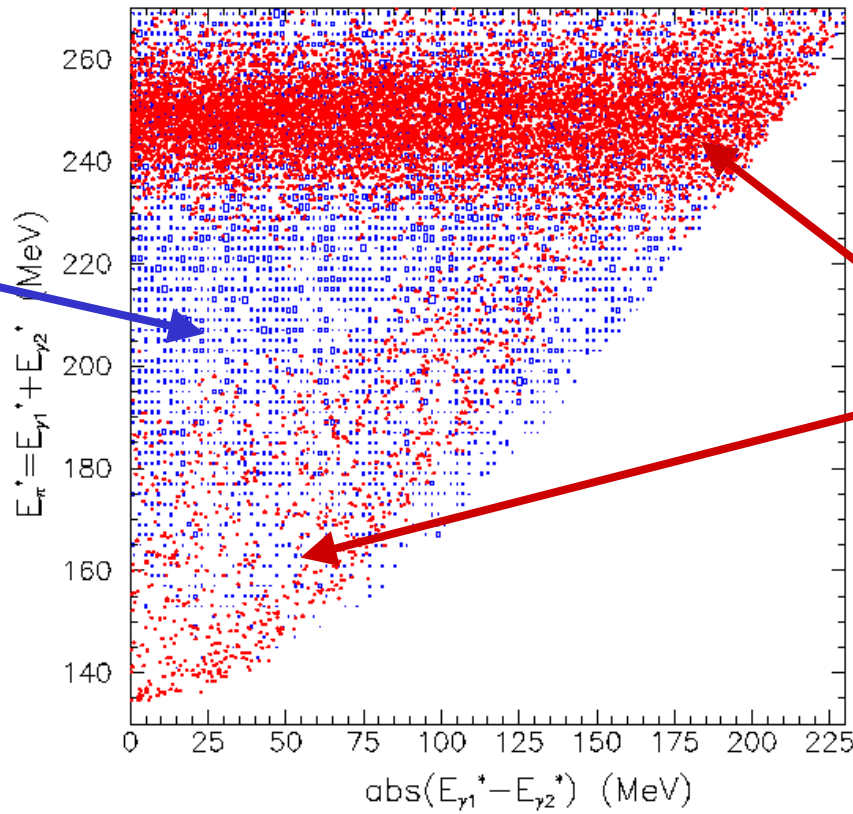
Parameter	Minimal Requirement	Expected Performance
E_γ resolution	$3.5\%/\sqrt{E}$	$2.7\%/\sqrt{E}$
θ_γ resolution(250 MeV)	25 to 30 mrad	23 mrad
t_γ resolution	100 ps$/\sqrt{E}$	50 ps$/\sqrt{E}$
x_γ,y_γ resolution(250 MeV)	10 mm	<1 mm
microbunch width	300 ps	200 ps
microbunch extinction	10^{-3}	$<10^{-3}$
photon veto inefficiency	$0.3\bar{\epsilon}_{\mathrm{E787}}$	$0.3\bar{\epsilon}_{\mathrm{E787}}$
charged veto ineffiency	$10^{-5}(\pi^+), 10^{-4}(\pi^-)$	$<10^{-5}(\pi^+), <10^{-4}(\pi^-)$

$0.3\bar{\epsilon}_{\mathrm{E787}}$

Kinematic suppression of backgrounds
Goal: >50 Events with S/N>2

$$E^*_{\pi^0} \ vs. \left| E^*_{\gamma 1} - E^*_{\gamma 2} \right|$$

$K_L^0 \to \pi^0 \nu\bar{\nu}$



$K_L^0 \to \pi^0 \pi^0$

S/N=2

Estimated Background Levels

	Branching Ratio	Bkg. Events
$K_L^0 \to \pi^0\pi^0$	0.93×10^{-3}	14
$K_L^0 \to \pi^- e^+ \nu \gamma$	0.36×10^{-2}	5
$K_L^0 \to \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	0.1255	3
Others		1
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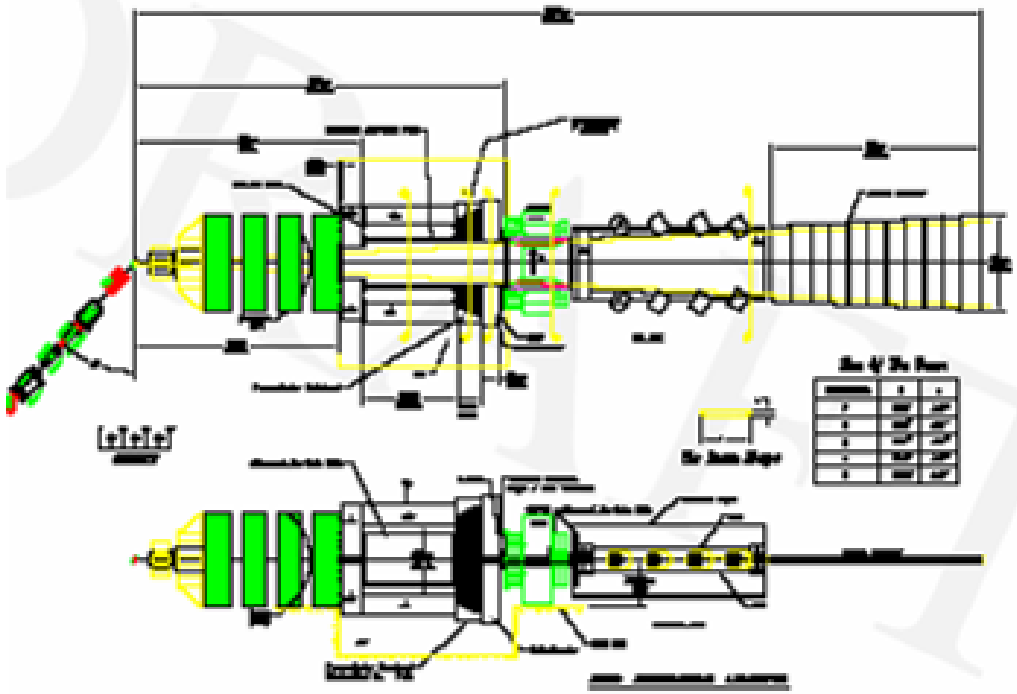
Signal: 49 Background: 24

12000 Hours; Acceptance 9 x 10^{-3}

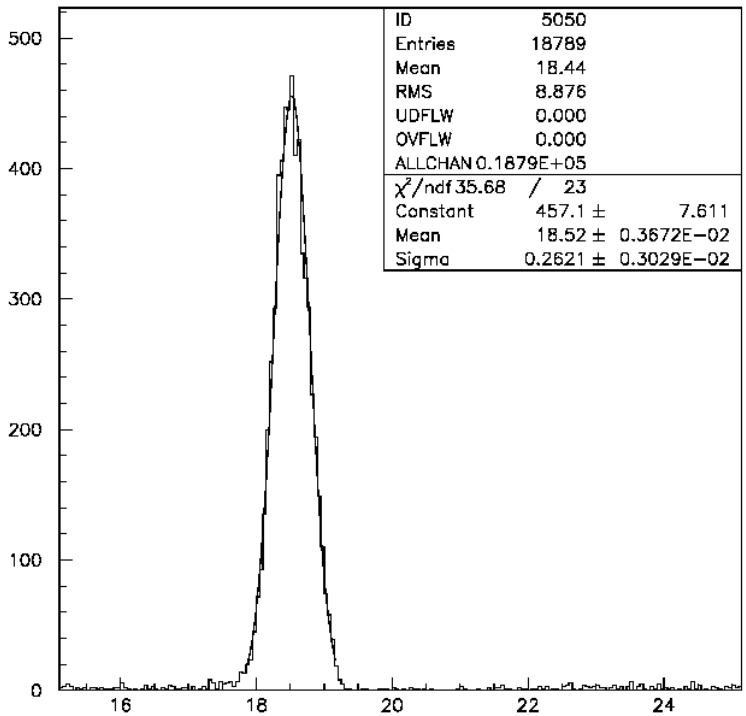


AGS Microbunching Beam test

Microbunch width

Studied the RF extraction mechanism proposed for KOPIO & measured a microbunch rms width of 244 ps -- KOPIO requires a 300 ps rms

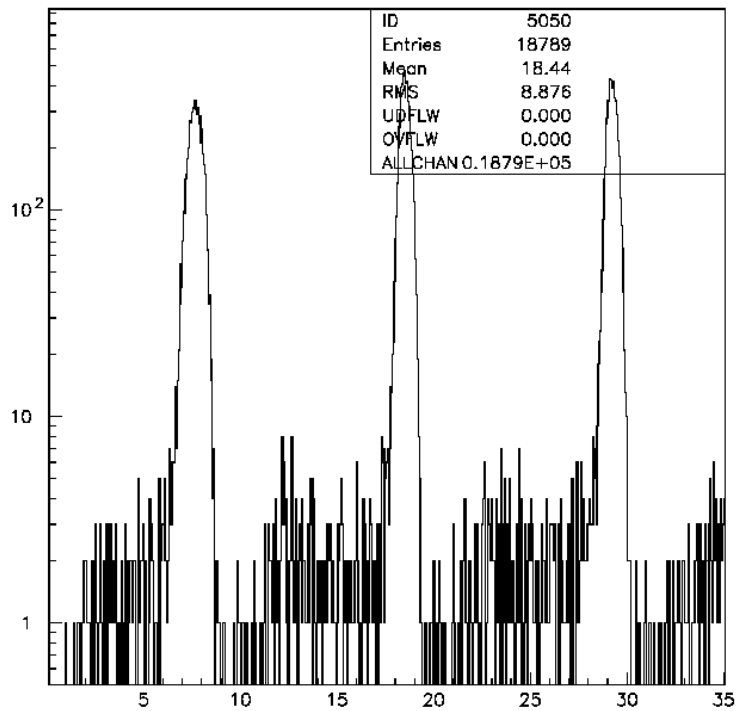
Also developed monitoring methods



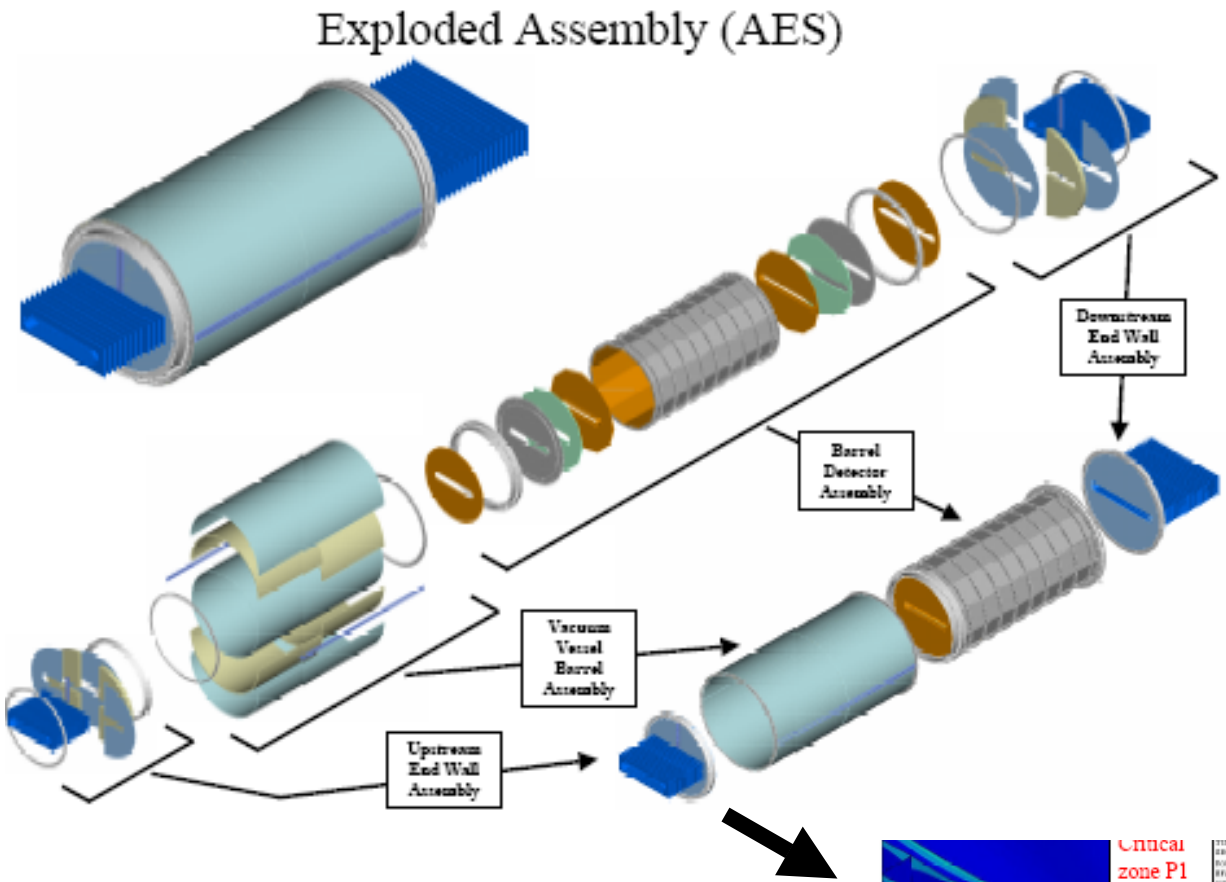
Interbunch extinction

Measured the inter-bunch extinction ratio (flux between bunches/within bunch). Observed a ratio of ~3-4% (could be less) KOPIO requires ~ 10^{-3} - 10^{-2}

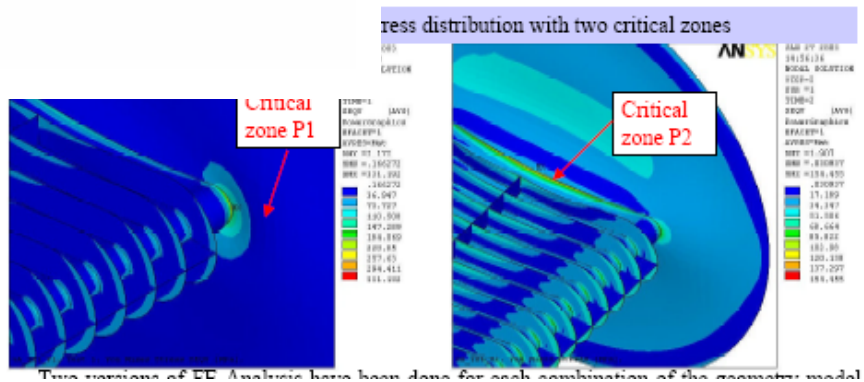
Need to control power supply ripple



Vacuum System R&D



Finite element Analysis



Current Design:

Honeycomb vessel and ends

Al core, domed ends

Solid Be beam pipe

Neutral Beam (neutrons) Collimated to Supress Halo

Vertical Collimation Scheme

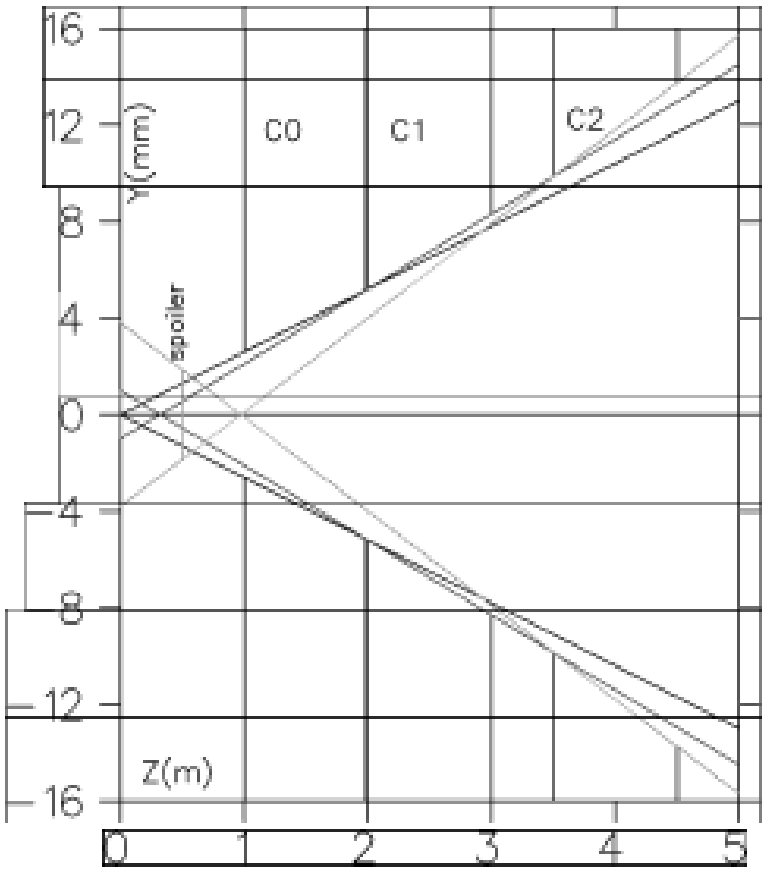


Figure 2: Construction of the vertical apertures of collimators C0 to C2

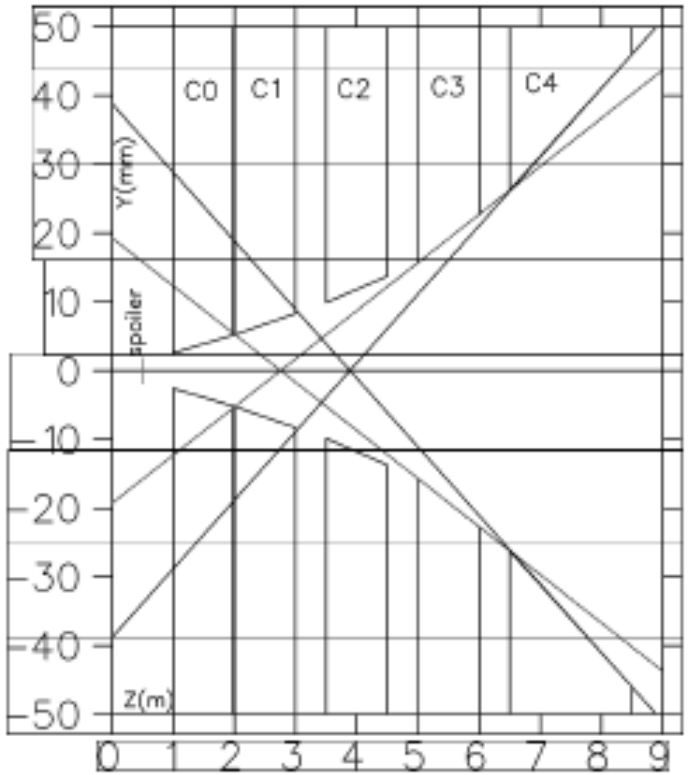


Figure 1: Construction of the vertical apertures of collimators C3 and C4

Simulation of Neutron Collimation

Nominal beam

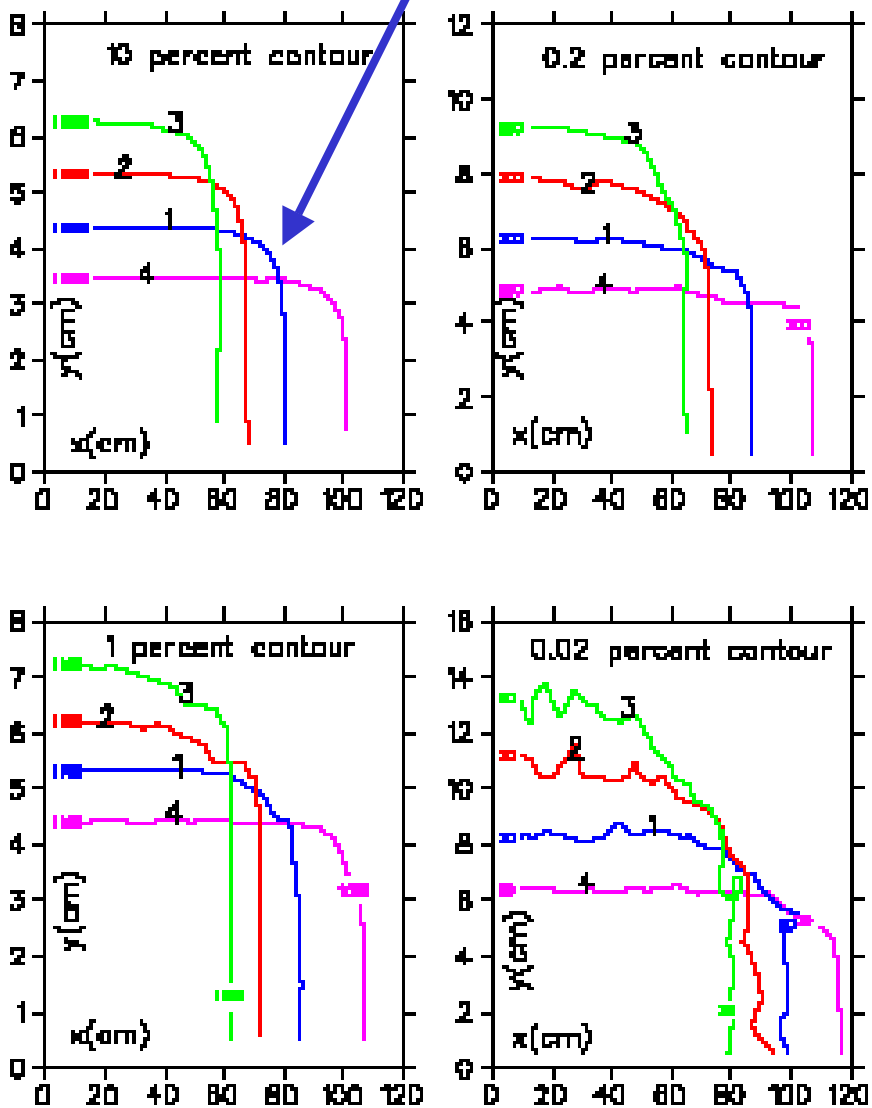
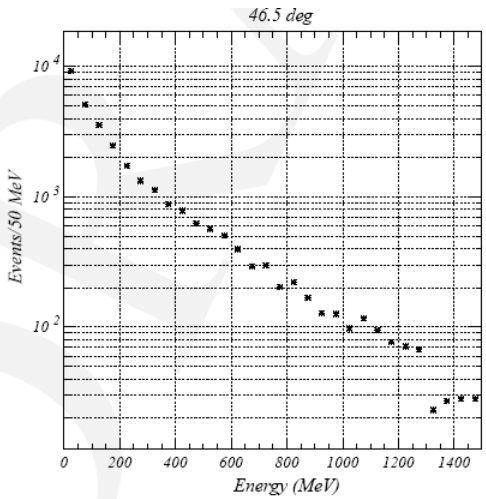
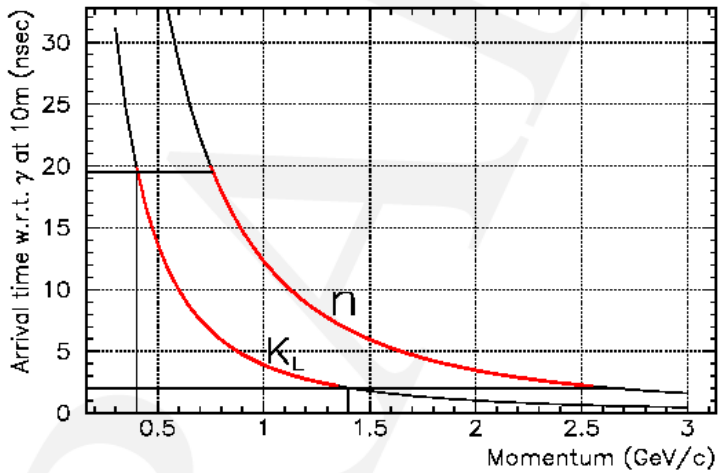


Figure 20: Contour plots at 14 m

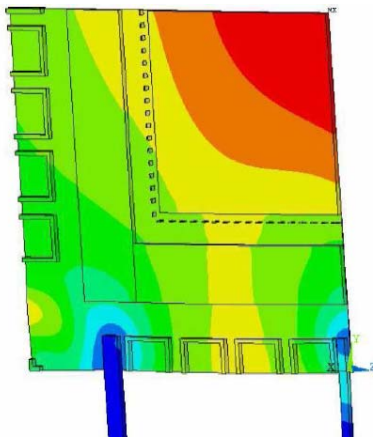
Neutron Energy Spectrum

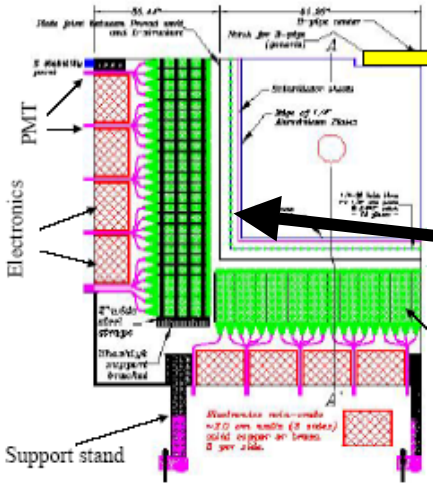


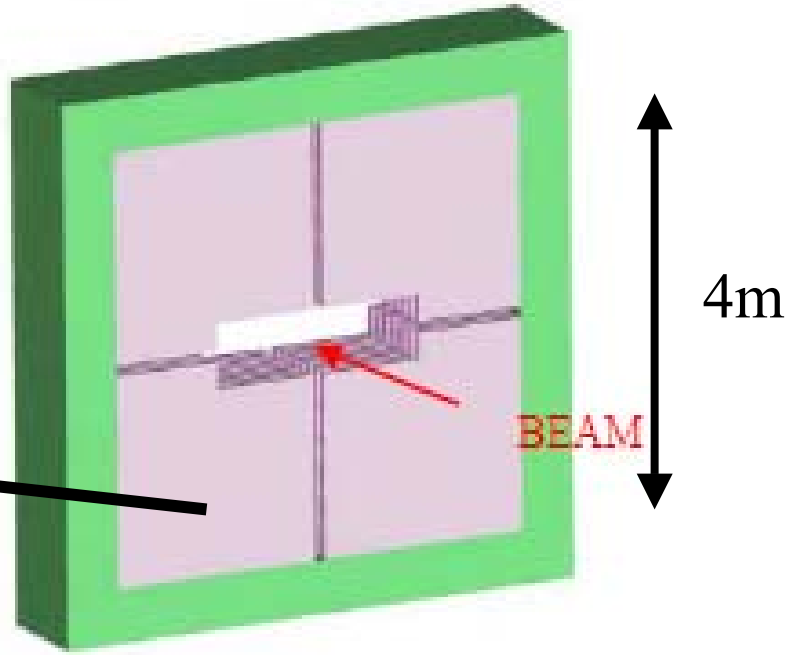


Preradiator R&D

Chambers, electronics, and scintillator prototyped.
Mechanical design in progress.



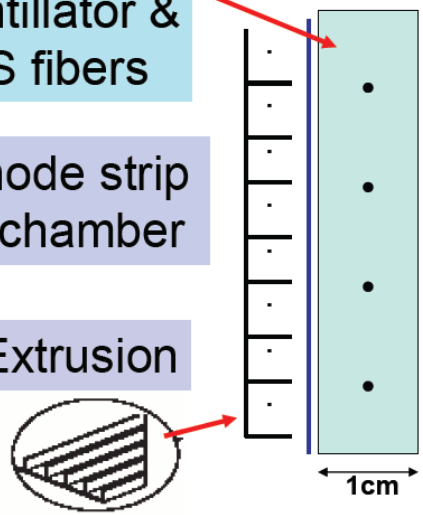




Extruded Scintillator & WLS fibers

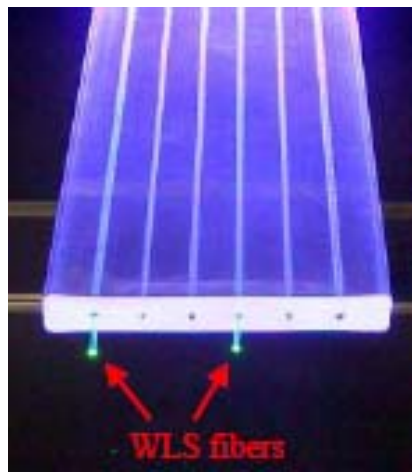
Cathode strip drift chamber

Al Extrusion



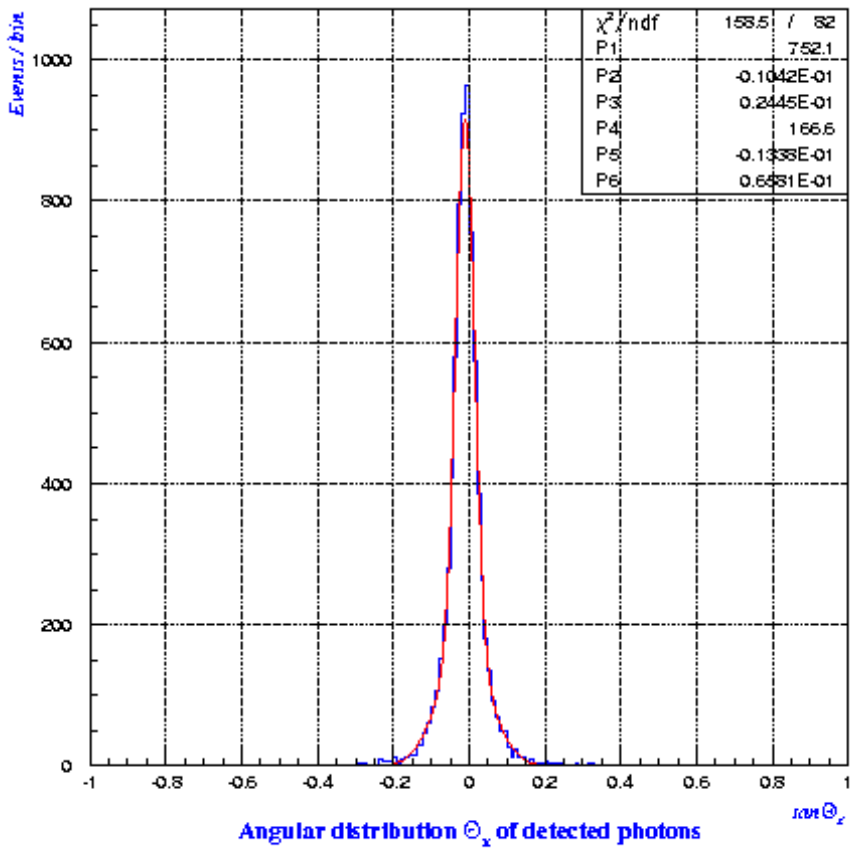
Prototype Cathode Strip Chamber

Extruded Scintillator with WLS fiber



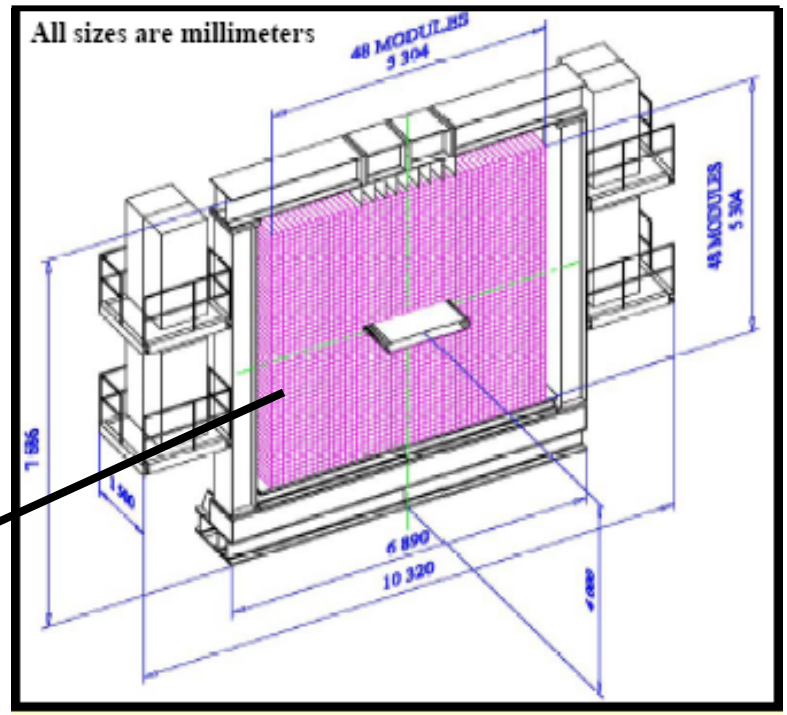
KOPIO Prototype Measurements – Tagged Photon Beams

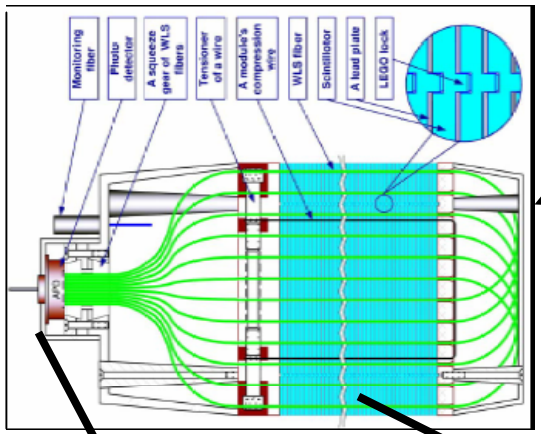
Preradiator Angular resolution:
25 mr at 250 MeV/c



Shashlyk R&D

Shashlyk modules prototyped and tested in beams.
Mechanical design in progress





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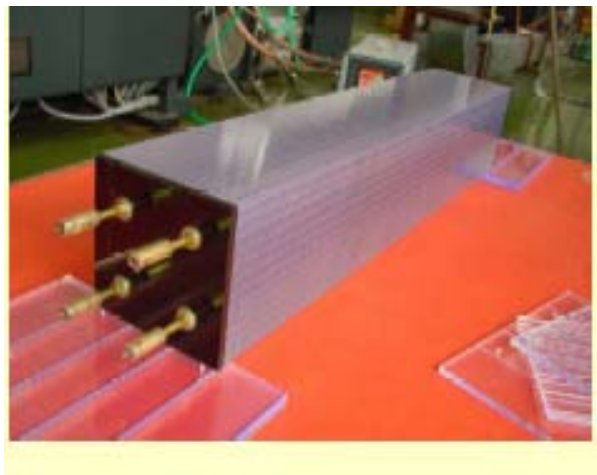
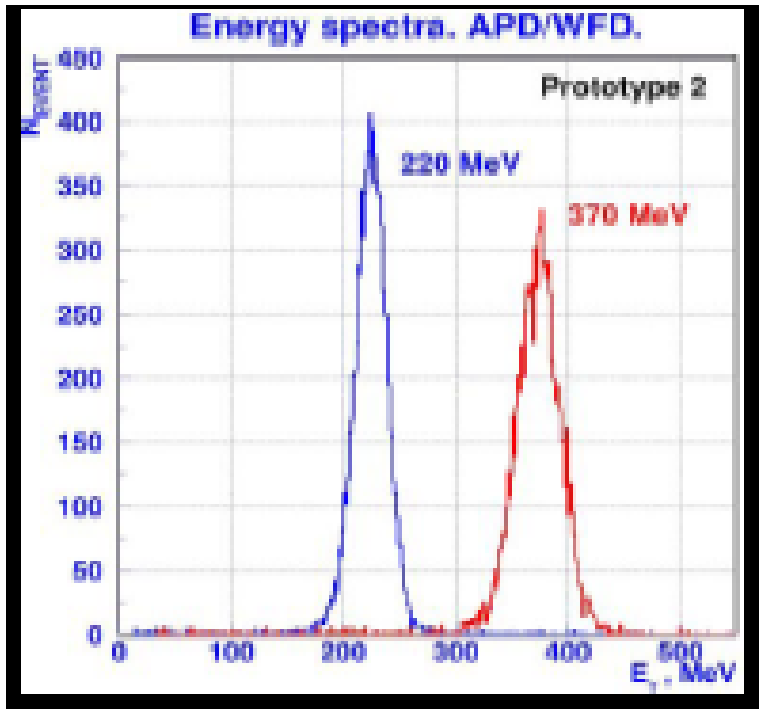
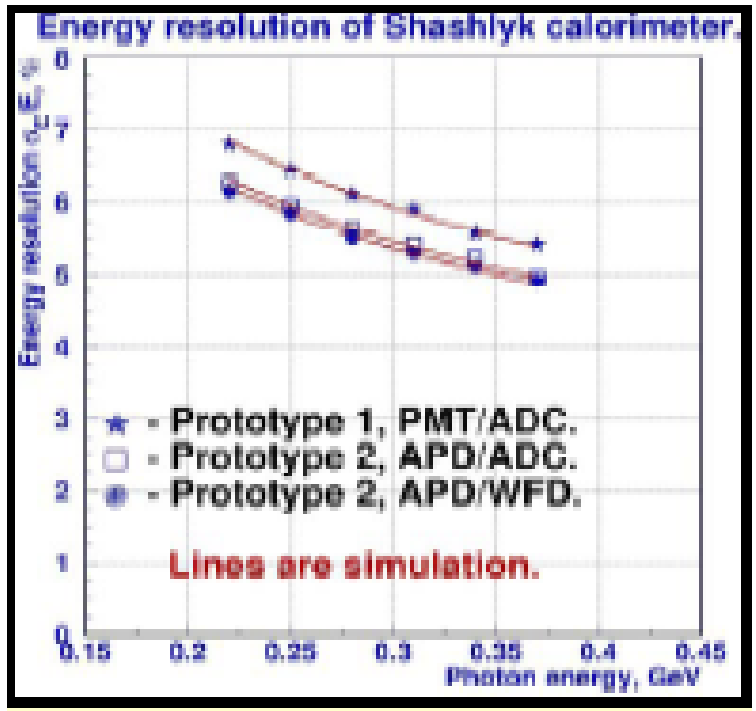


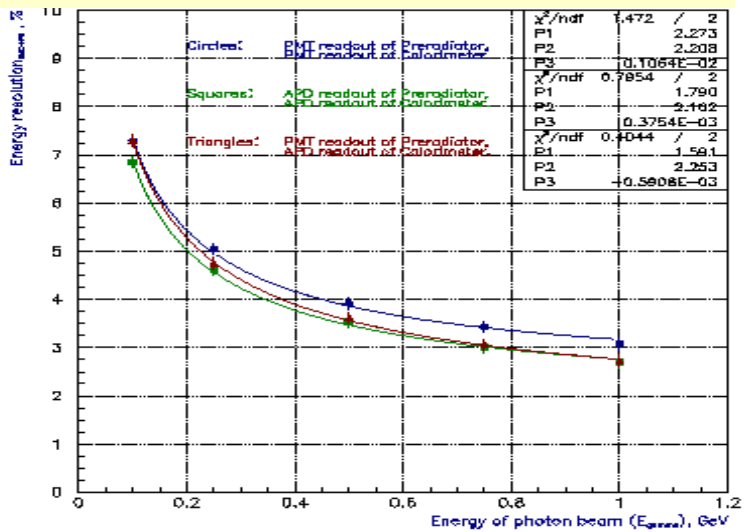
Shashlyk Beam Measurements





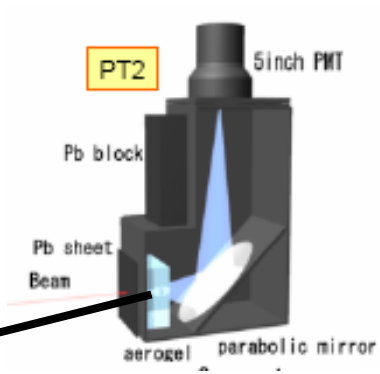
Simulation: Combined Energy Resolution

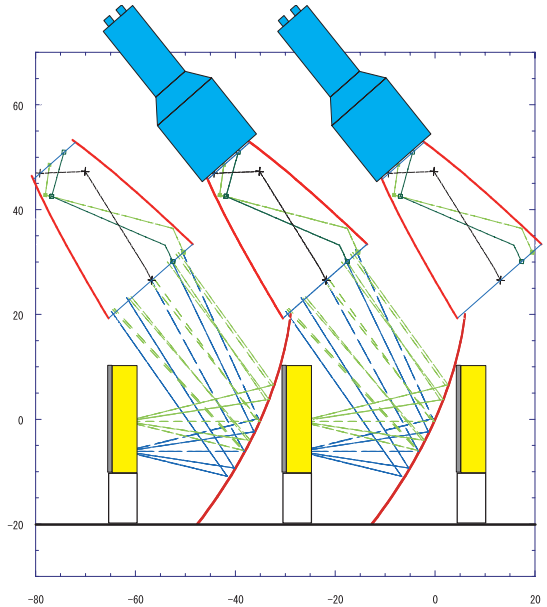
$$\sigma \approx \frac{3\%}{\sqrt{E(GeV)}}$$



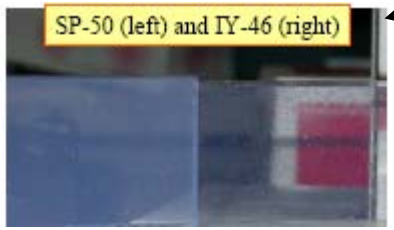
Catcher R&D

Modules prototyped and tested in beams.





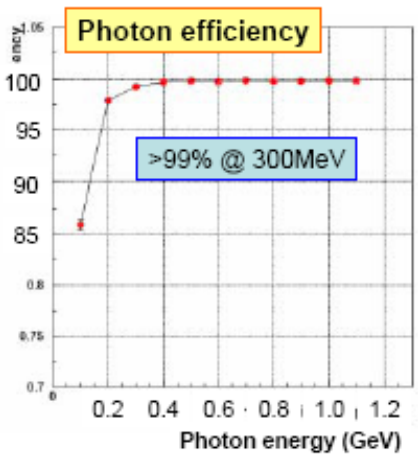
New Aerogel tiles

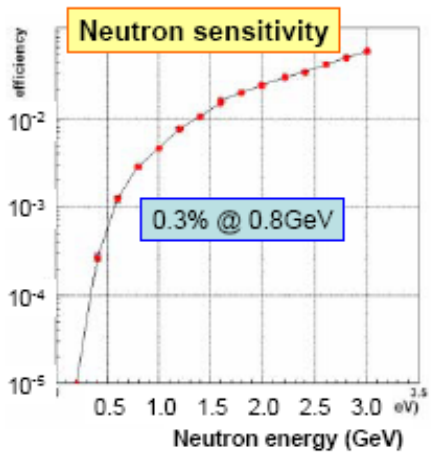


Expected performance with current design

Photon efficiency / Neutron sensitivity

» Average over +/- 10cm(y), normal incident to Catcher





KOPIO Funding and Support Partners

- **NSF**
  - **RSVP MREFC and R&D**
  - **University groups**
- **DOE OHEP**
  - **BNL Physics Department group**
  - **Yale group**
- **DOE ONP; BNL CAD (and university groups)**
- **Canadian agencies (NSERC, CFI, TRIUMF)**
- **Japanese agencies**
- **Others (Russia, Switzerland, Italy (INFN))**

DOE-Supported Groups Major Responsibilities

- **Yale**
  - **Shashlyk Calorimeter**
  - **Neutral beam and other simulations**
- **BNL (CAD)**
  - **AGS upgrades, proton beam, target**
  - **Neutral beam**
- **BNL (PHYSICS)**
  - **Detector infrastructure and integration**
  - **Veto detector systems**
  - **DAQ system**
  - **Simulations**

Summary and Outlook

- KOPIO R&D is concluding successfully.
- Advanced planning for the construction phase is beginning.
- US Agencies – NSF and DOE – are cooperating well, and international partners are contributing substantially.