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CsI Array Test for SUPER at RARiS

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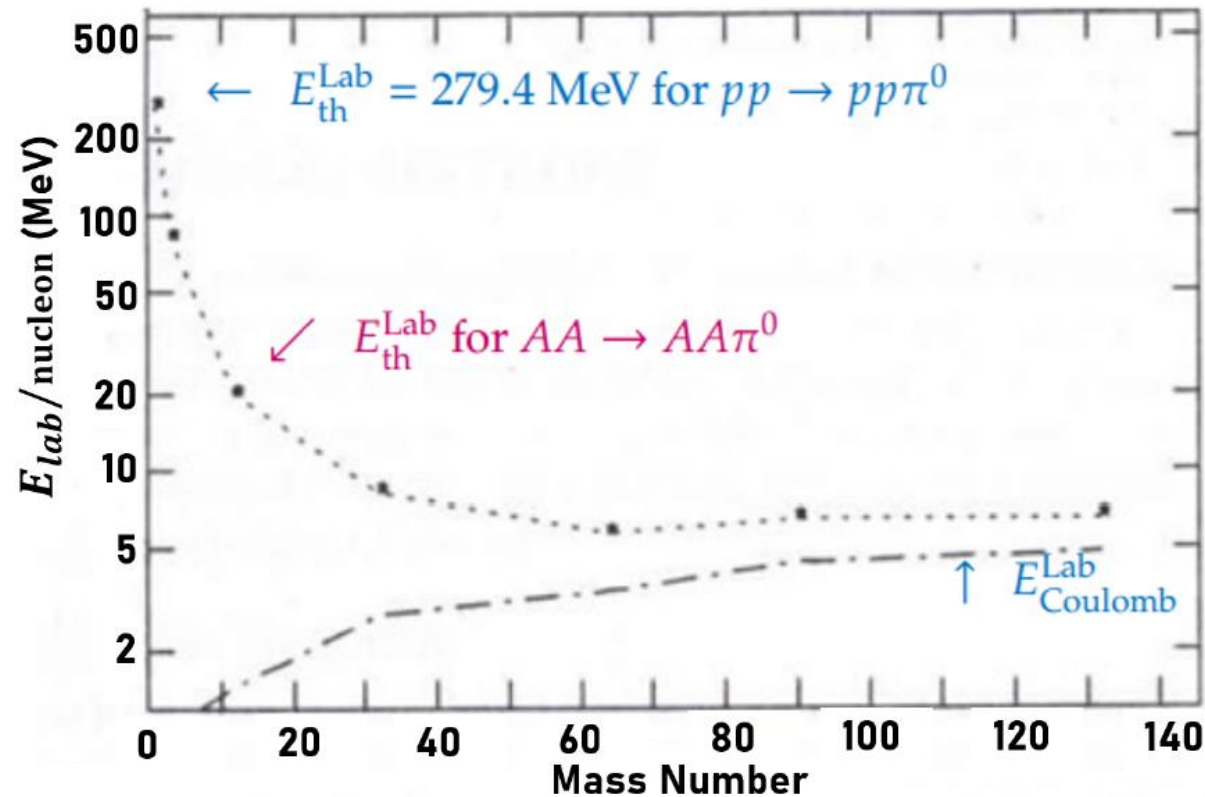
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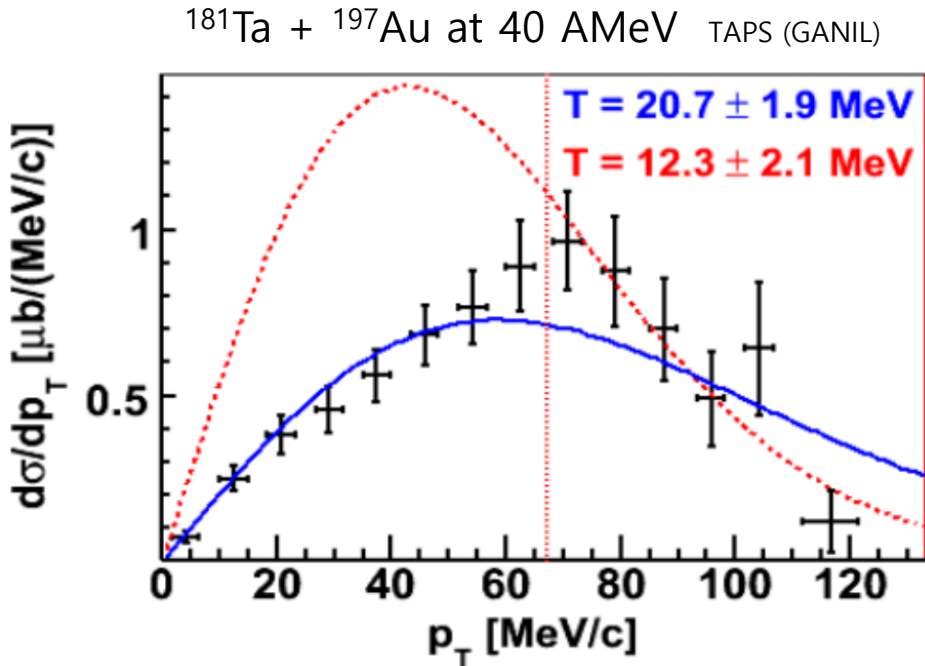
Pion production at Subthreshold Energy

SUPER (S**U**bthreshold Pion production E**X**periment at RCNP)

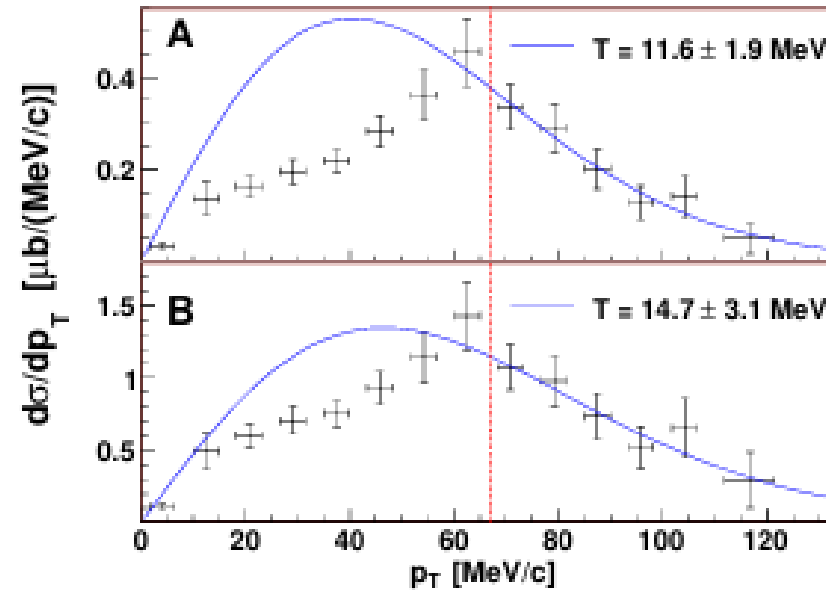


- According to the single NN collision model, π^0 production's threshold collision energy is at around **50 A MeV**.
- Below this threshold, π^0 creation relies on **cooperative motion** to convert sufficient energy into the π^0 mass.

Temperature and Transverse Momentum



K. Piasecki and T. Matulewicz, Acta Phys.
 Polonica B 41, 393 (2010)



Y. Schutz et al., Nucl. Phys. A622, 405 (1997)

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dp_T} \propto P_T \sqrt{E_T} \exp\left(-\frac{E_T}{T_0}\right)$$

$$E_T = \sqrt{m_{\pi^0}^2 + P_T^2}$$

- Assuming a source in **thermal equilibrium**, the transverse momentum of π^0 should exhibit a **Boltzmann distribution**, where a slope parameter (T_0 [MeV]) related to apparent temperature of the source.
- After accounting for reabsorption, the primordial π^0 transverse momentum spectrum still deviates from a Boltzmann distribution across its entire range.

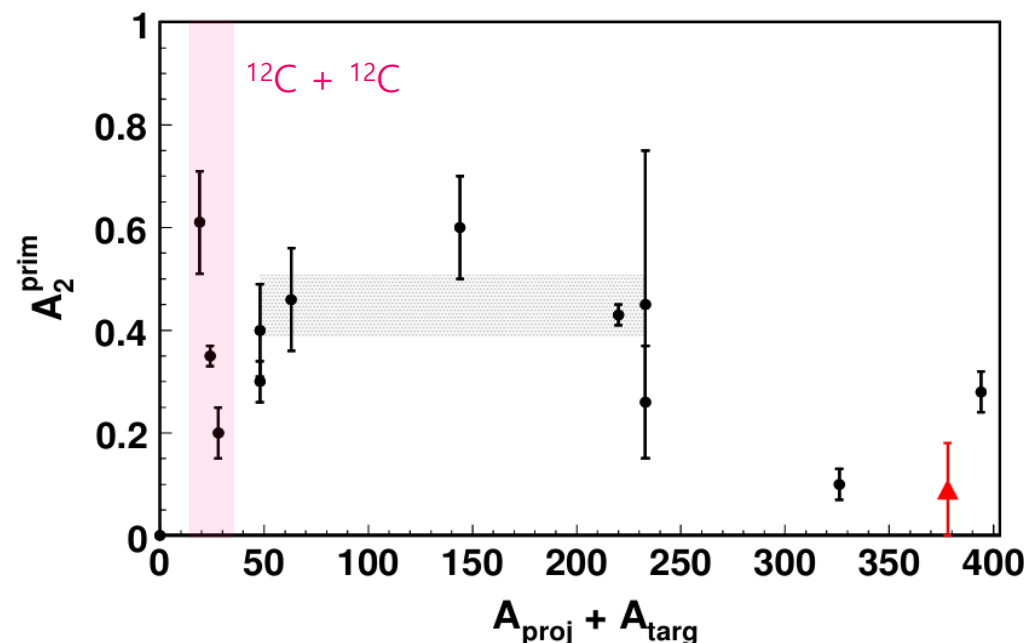
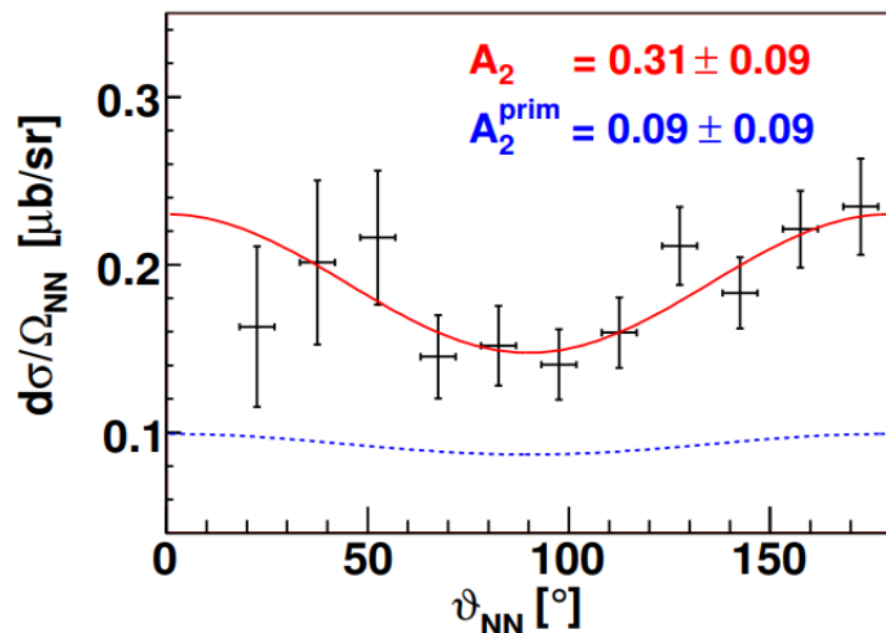
Polar Anisotropy and Pion Absorption

K. Piasecki and T. Matulewicz, Acta Phys. Polonica B 41, 393 (2010)

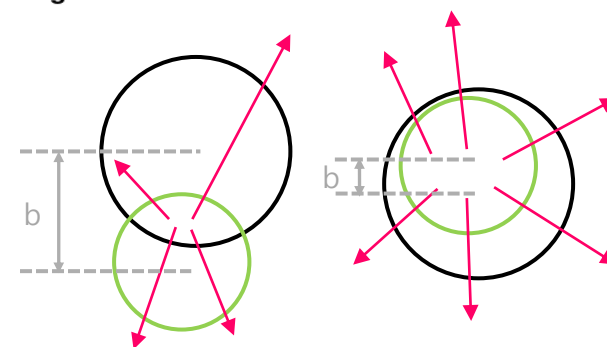
 $^{181}\text{Ta} + ^{197}\text{Au}$ at 40 AMeV

TAPS (GANIL)

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \propto 1 + A_2 P_2(\cos \theta)$$

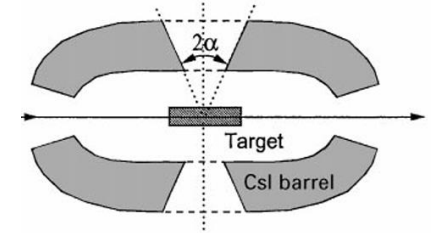
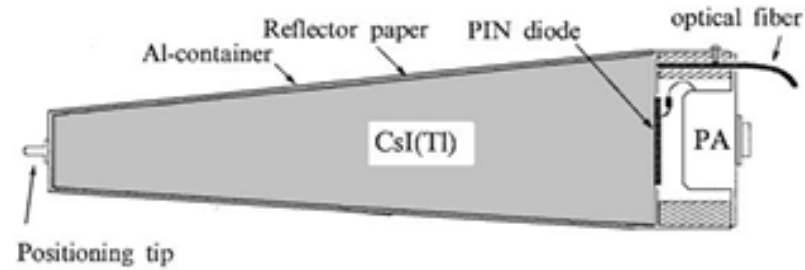
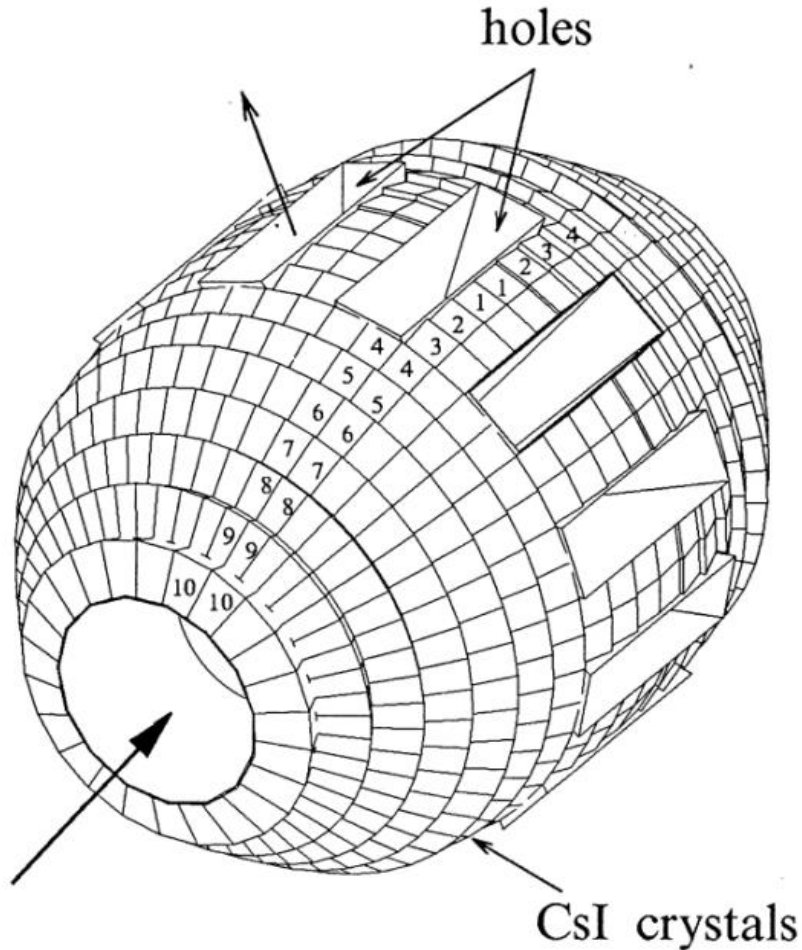


- Measured π^0 angular distributions in Ta+Au at 40 AMeV exhibit a **forward-backward anisotropy** ($A_2 = 0.31$), indicating more pions absorbed along the beam axis.
- After correcting for P_T -dependent reabsorption by the **simple reabsorption model**, the angular distribution of primordial π^0 emission becomes **nearly isotropic** ($A_2^{\text{prim}} = 0.09$).

K. Tyminska, T. Matulewicz, K. Piasecki,
Acta Phys. Pol. B 33, 981 (2002)

CsI(Tl) Calorimeter

D.V. Dementyev et al., Nucl. Instr. and Methods A 440 (2000) 151.



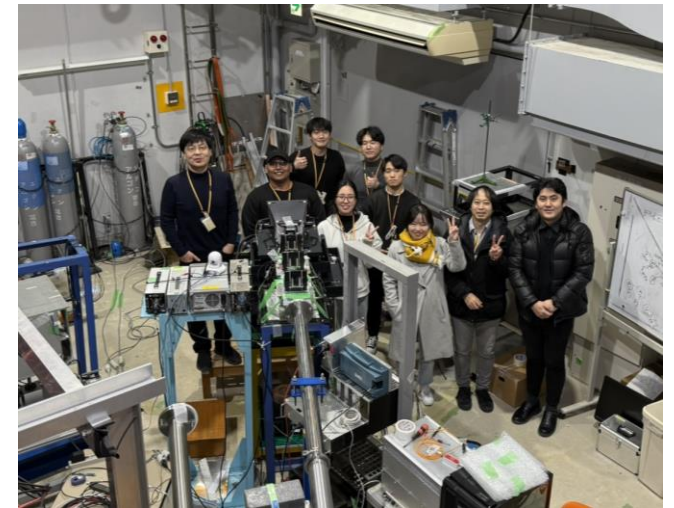
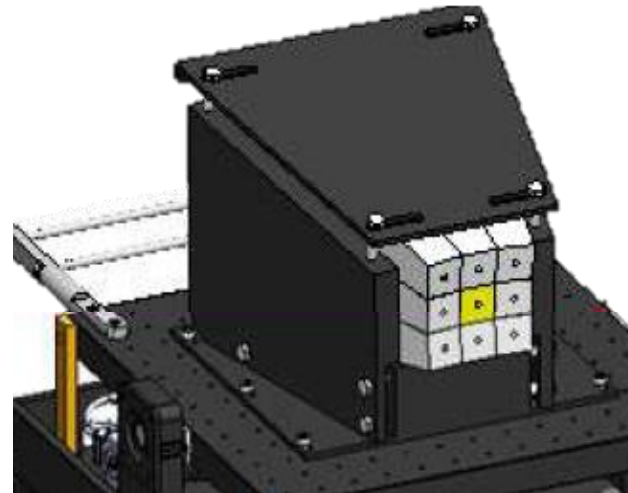
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under a dry air supply

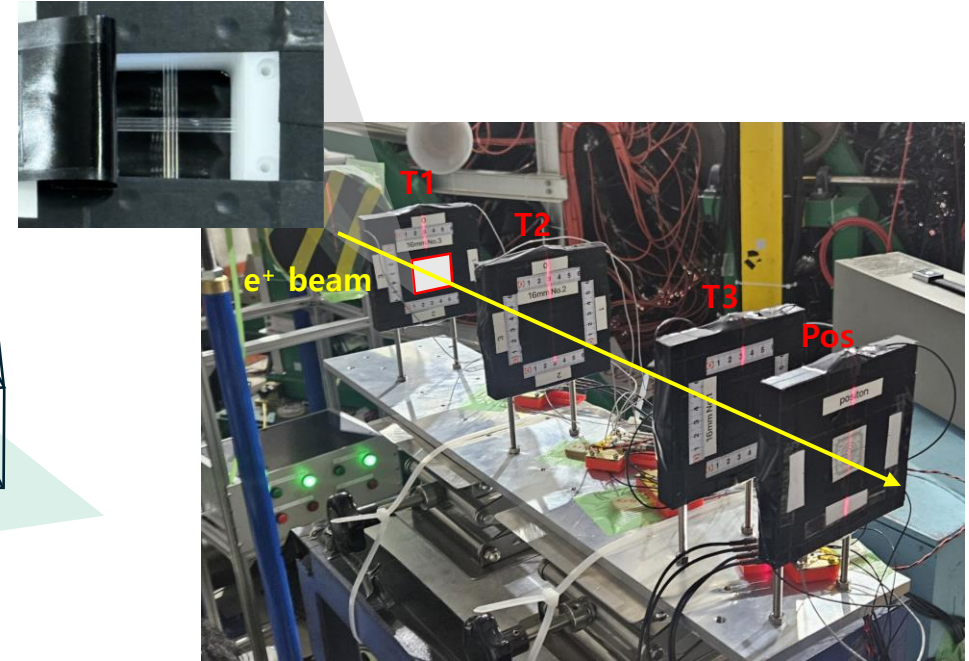
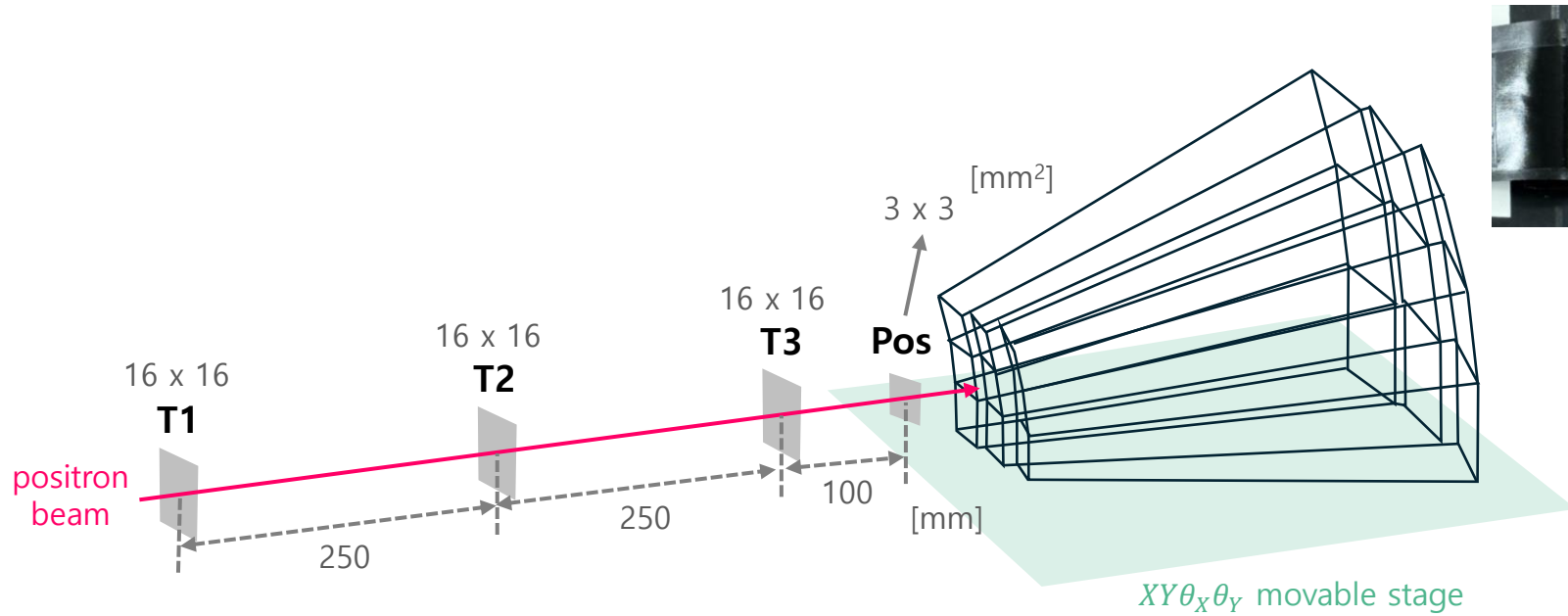
- The CsI(Tl) Calorimeter consists of 768 CsI(Tl) crystals covering **75% of 4π solid angle**.
- An individual crystal covers 7.5° in θ and ϕ , except for 48 crystals near the beam axis.
- Average transverse dimensions are **$3 \times 3 \text{ cm}^2$** for front end and **$6 \times 6 \text{ cm}^2$** for rear end.
- The length of crystal is **25 cm ($13.5 X_0$)**.

Beam Test at RARiS (Jan 2025)

- Test for **CsI(Tl) crystal** and **triggerless DAQ** performance for photon from low energy $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ decays
 - E_γ spans 50 – 300 MeV
 - 3 x 3 CsI(Tl) array with moving stage
- **Positron beam** at RARiS to generate representative EM showers.

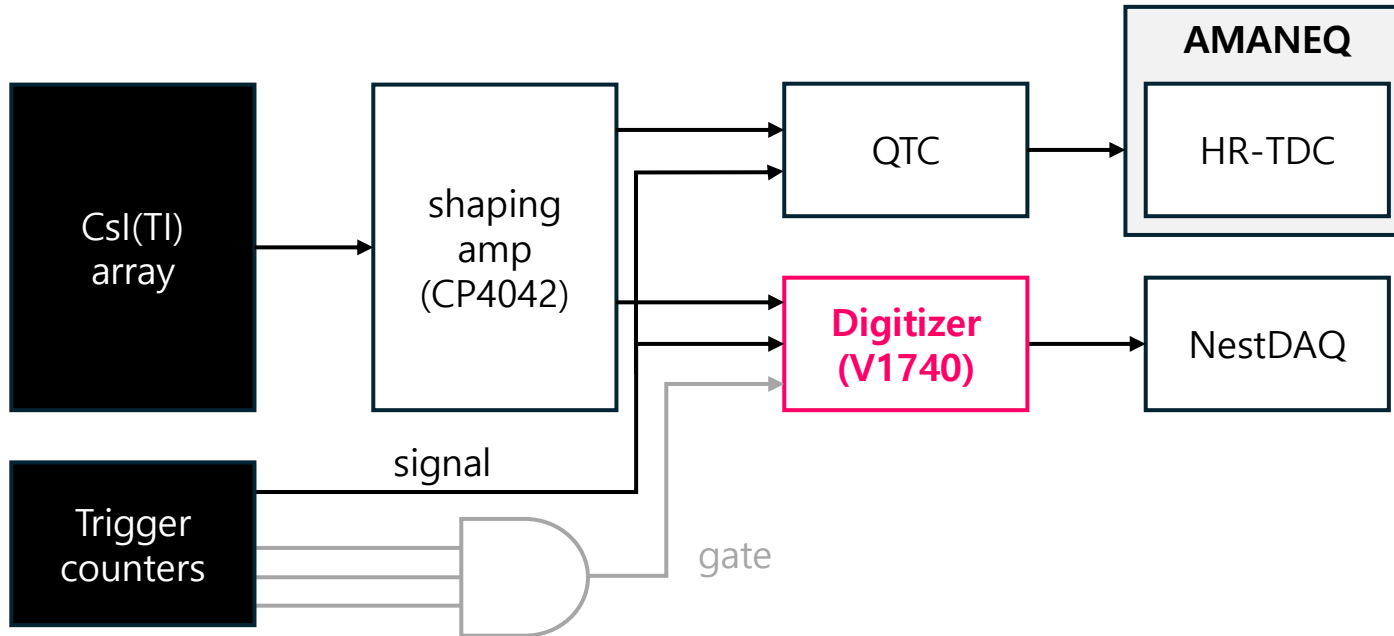


Setup for Beam Test – CsI(Tl) Array



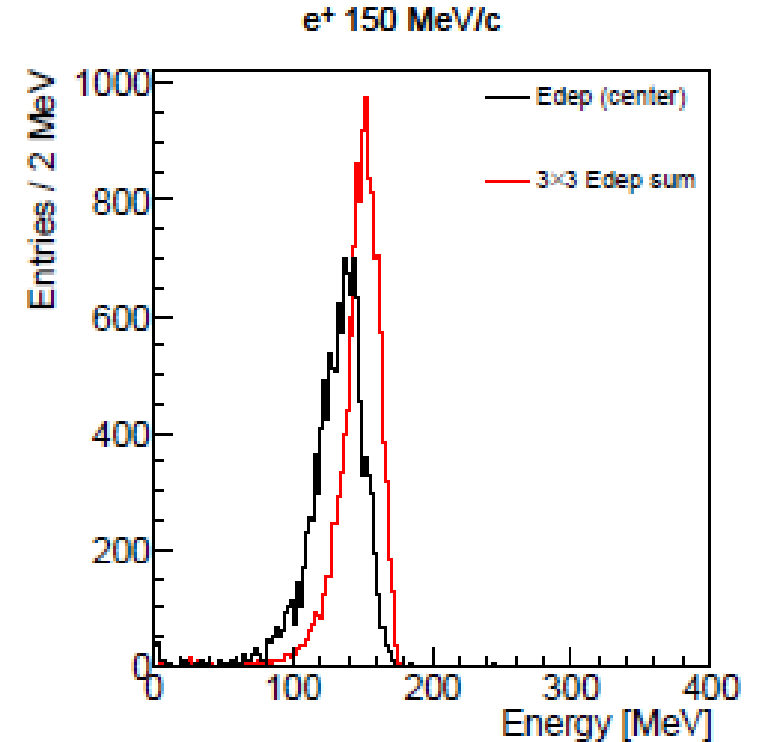
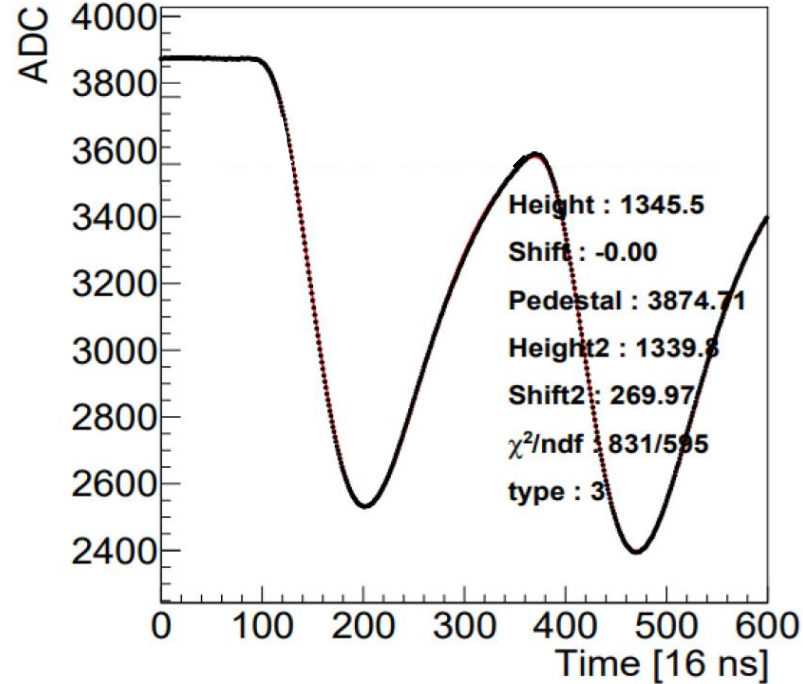
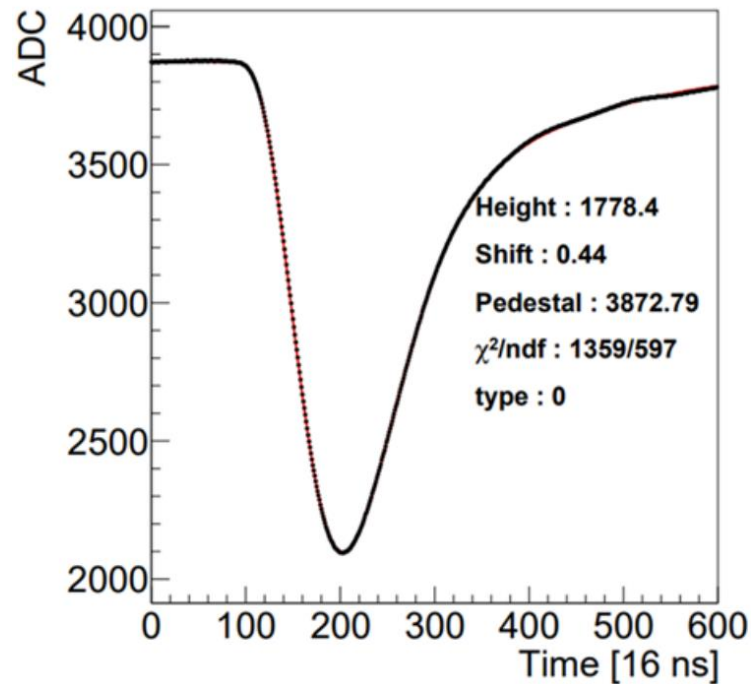
- Coincidence trigger **T1 & T2 & T3**.
- The positron beam momentum was varied from 50 to 300 MeV/c.
- Active area of trigger counter **16 x 16 mm²**, position definition counter **3 x 3 mm²**.

Setup for Beam Test – Data Acquisition System



- Data taking with **V1740D** (64 ch, 62.5 MHz, 12-bit digitizer) --> enable discrimination of **pile-up events**
- **FADC** --> Full waveform
- Test triggerless DAQ test with RCNP team

Result

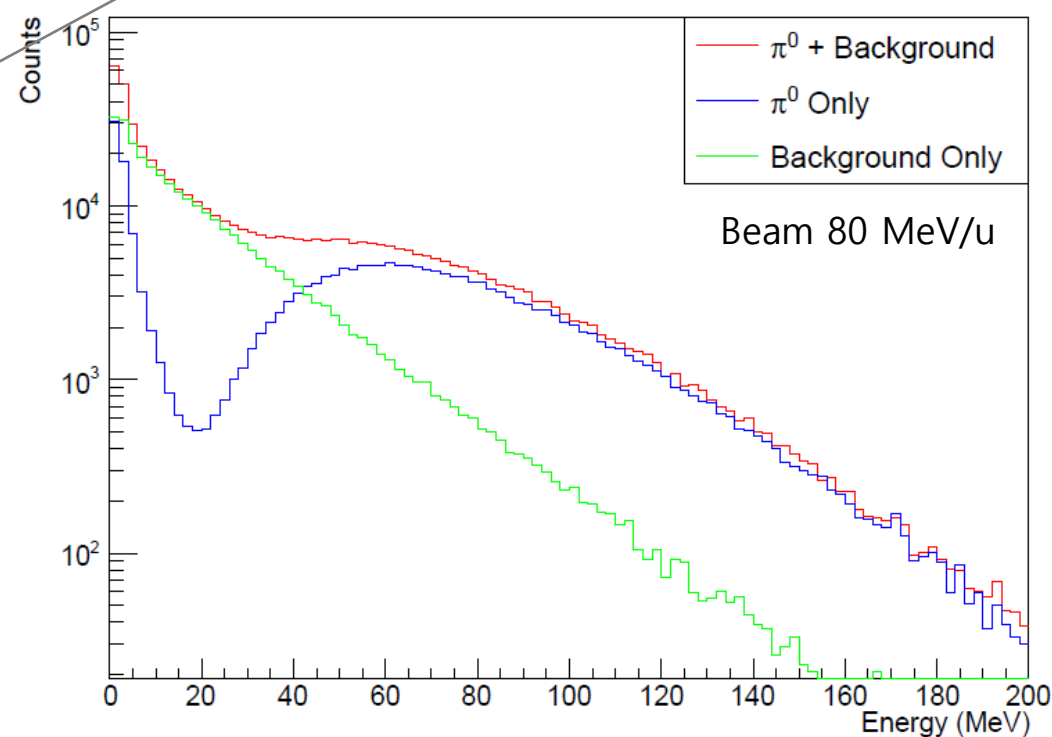
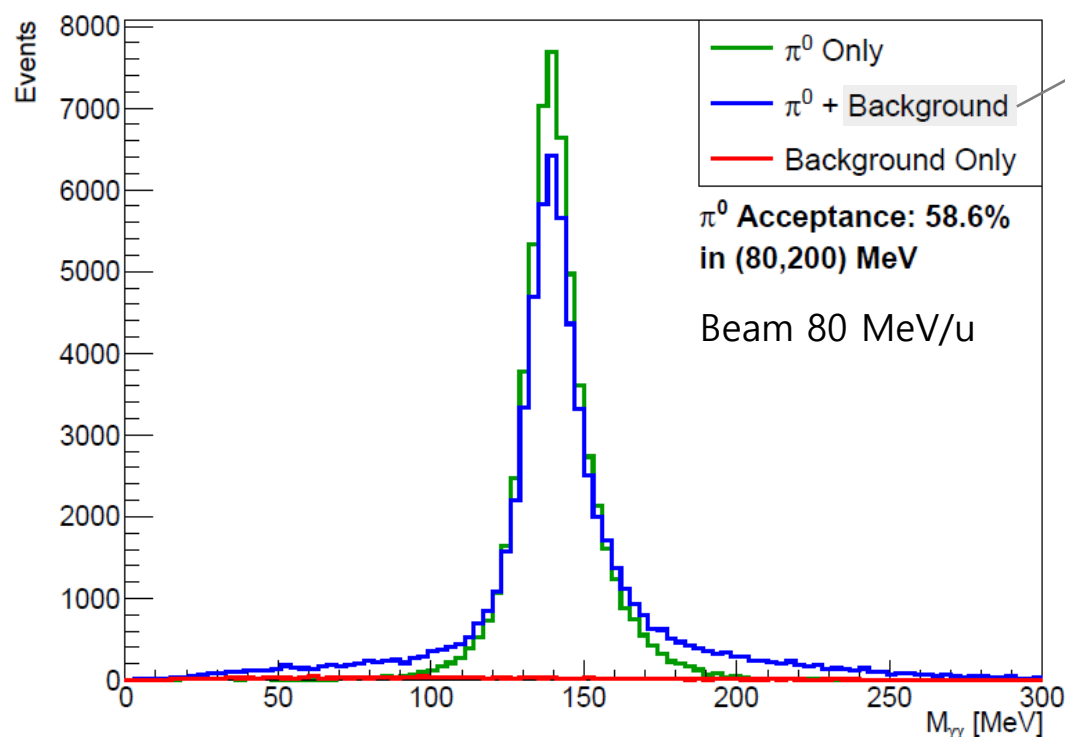


- Can discriminate pile up events
 - pile up ratio is around 1-2% in 800 MeV/c beam
- Now working on cleaning up the event and get the property of edge segment signal

Pion Reconstruction Simulation

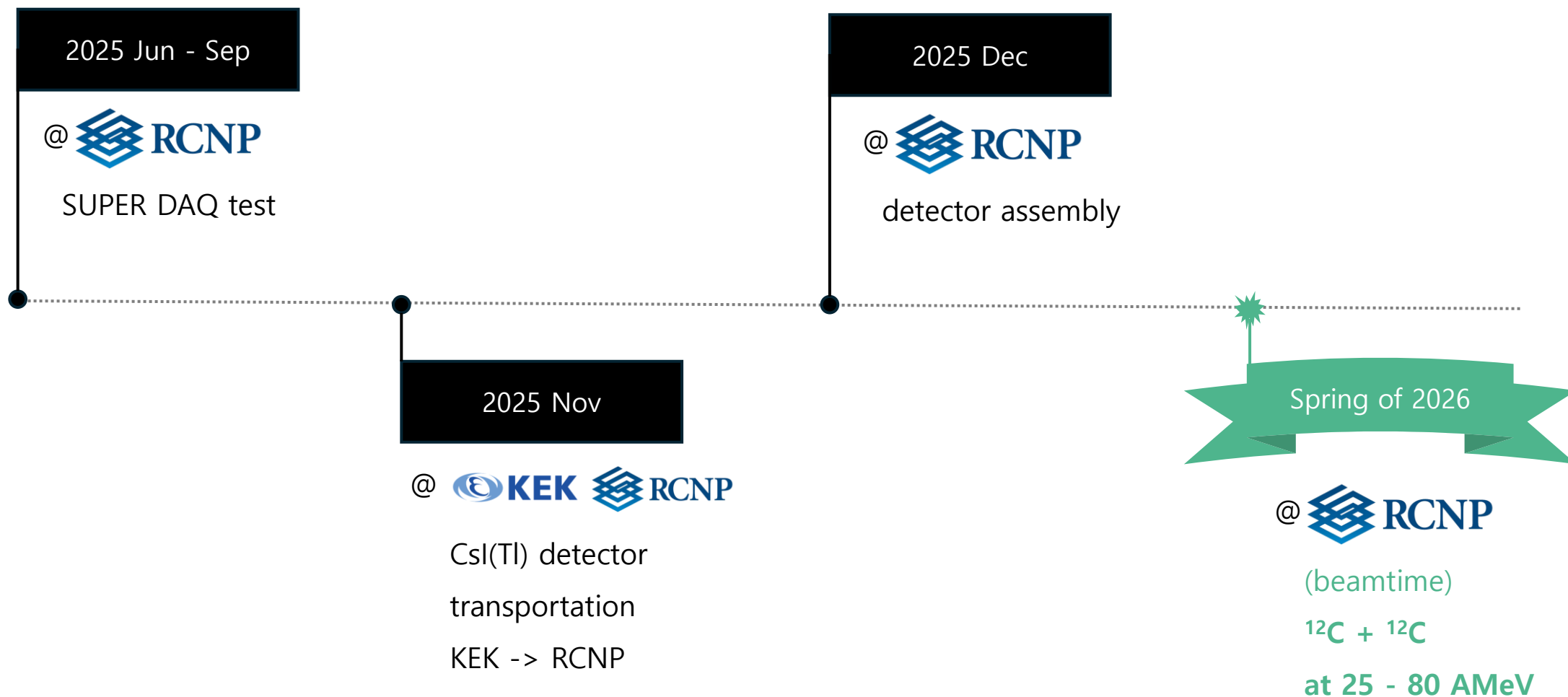
$$M(\gamma\gamma) = 2\sqrt{E_1 E_2} \sin\left(\frac{\theta_{12}}{2}\right)$$

angular distribution
depending on energy
is considered



- Bremsstrahlung photon rate ~ 300 kHz, pion rate ~ 3 -300 Hz $\rightarrow$ SNR $10^{-3} - 10^{-5}$
- Generate **100k** single photon event (energy 0 – 300 MeV) and cluster with $E_{\text{cluster}} > 20$ MeV, $t_{\text{cluster}} < 1$ μ s cut (for both training and test set)
- $\rightarrow$ using ML(XGBoost), select two cluster with highest energy and calculate invariant mass (~ 134.97 MeV)

Expected Timeline



Summary

- To check the performance of the CsI(Tl) detector, we conducted the beam test at RARiS using **positron beam**.
 - Beam momentum 50 – 300 MeV/c to represent gamma from $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ decay
 - $XY\theta_x\theta_y$ remote movable stage
- Pile up events can be discriminated thanks to the **V1740D FADC digitizer**.

Thank you for your attention! 

Backup

Prospects

Yield estimation: Total cross section for inclusive π^0 creation of 80 AMeV ^{12}C beam on ^{12}C target
Beam Energy 25 – 80 MeV/u and therefore total cross section $\sigma = 20 \text{ nb} - 10 \text{ ub}$

Assume beam intensity $I = 10^{11} \text{ pps}$, and target ^{12}C 's $\rho = 0.1 \text{ g/cm}^2$
assume that total cross section $\sigma = 1 \text{ ub}$

$$Y_{\pi^0} = (10^{11} \text{ pps})(0.1 \text{ g cm}^{-2}) \left(\frac{6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}}{12 \text{ g mol}^{-1}} \right) (10^{-30} \text{ cm}^2) \simeq 500 /s$$

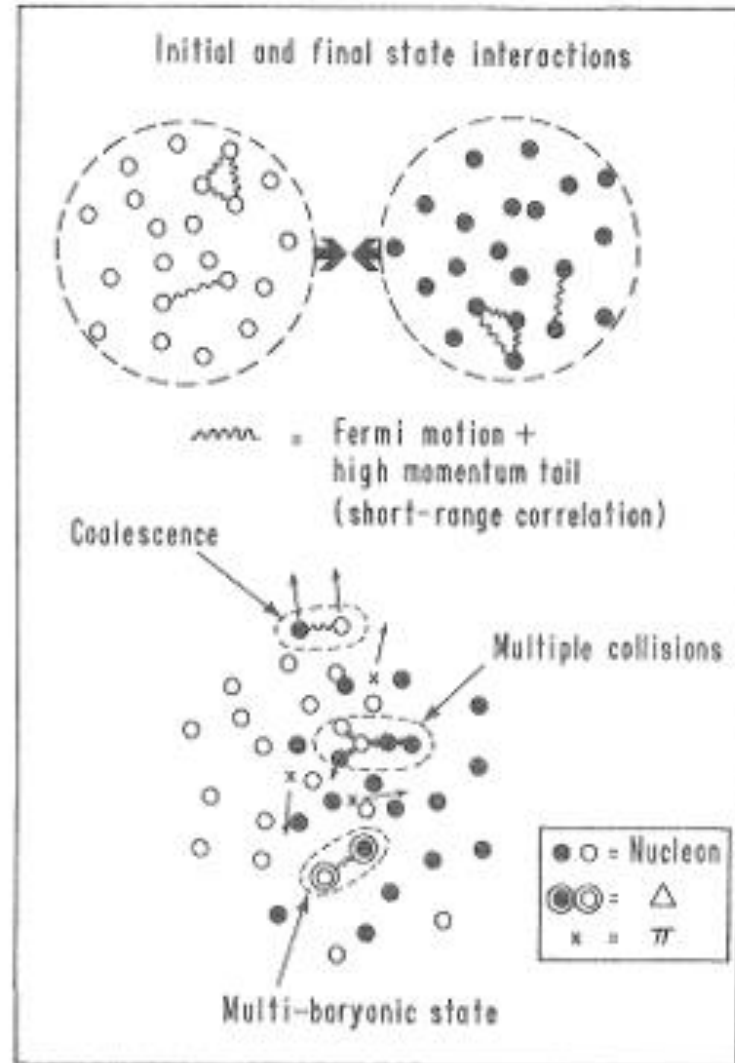
CsI(Tl) 768 Array covers 75% of total solid angle 4π .

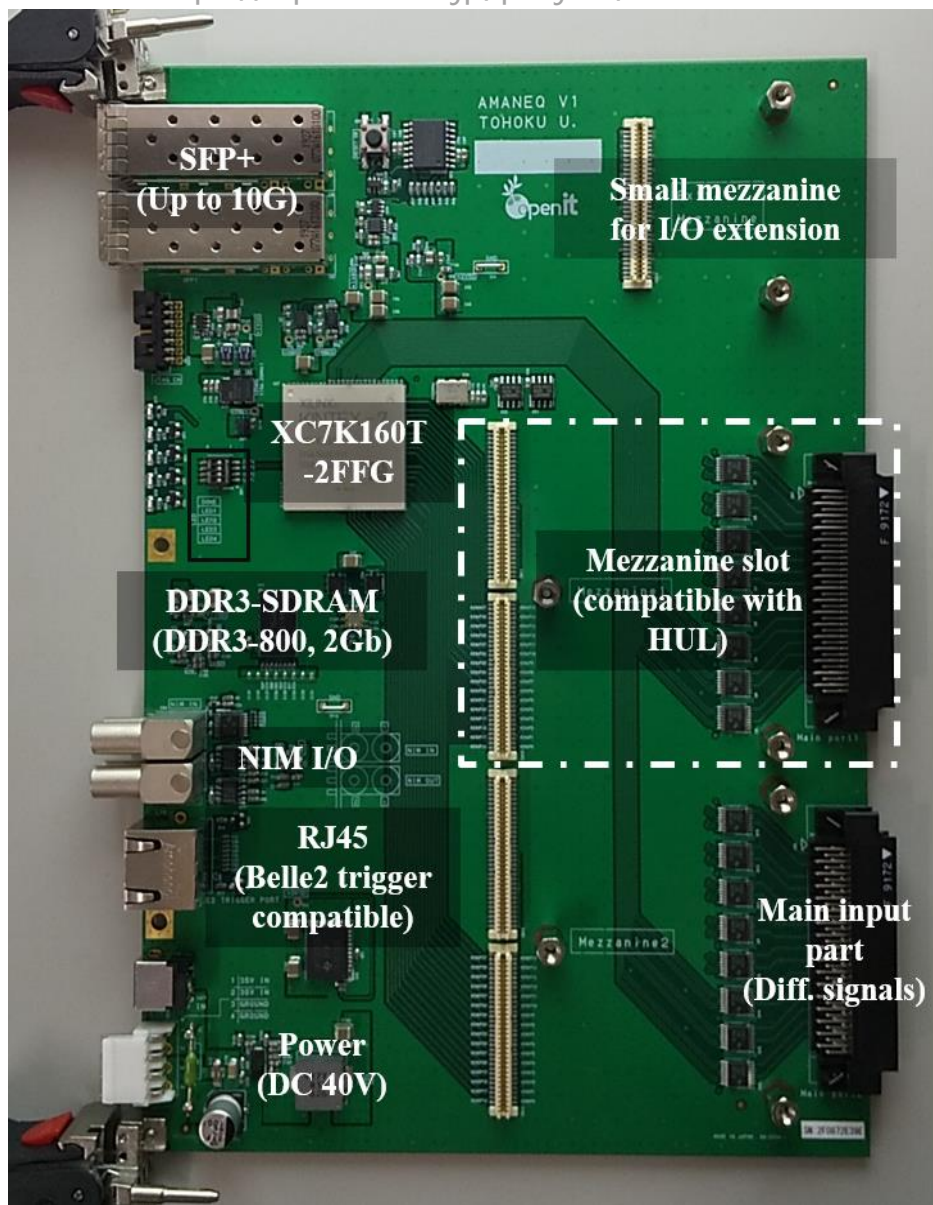
The expected number of π^0 detected in **an hour** is calculated as

$$N_{\pi^0} = (500 \text{ s}^{-1}) \left(\frac{3\pi}{4\pi} \right) \simeq 1.3 \times 10^6 /s$$

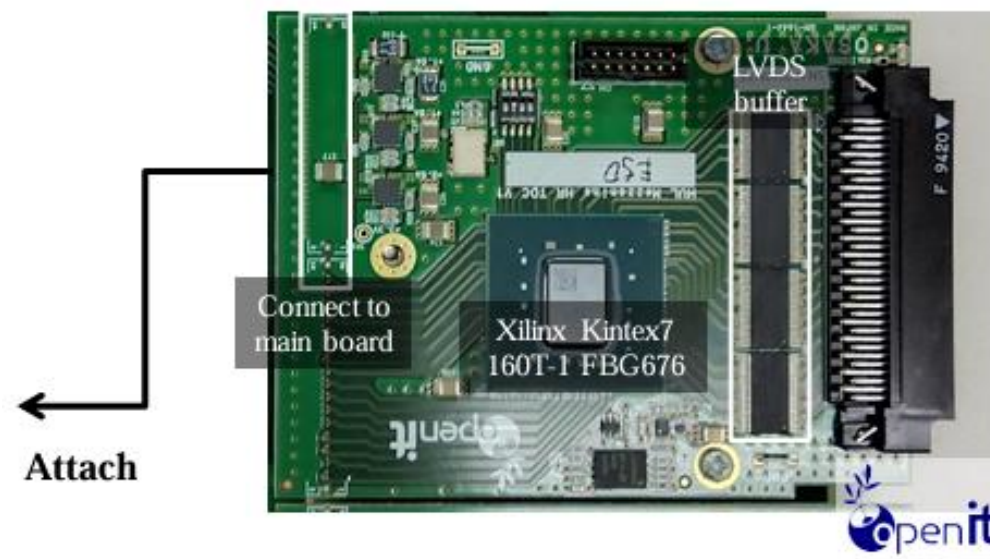
Fermi motion inside the nucleus

Central Nuclear Collisions I The Past and the Future.~ Shoji Nagamiya





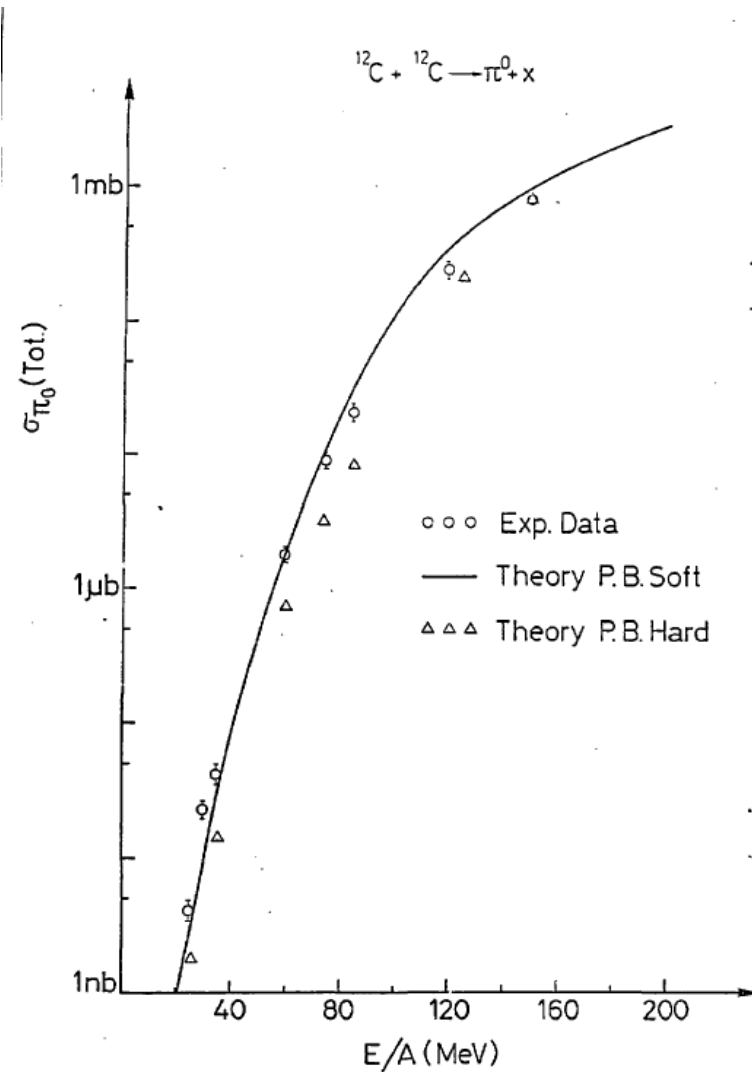
HUL/AMANEQ mezzanine HR-TDC



Attach

32 ch tapped-delay-line (TDL) based HR-TDC

- Input IO std.: LVDS
- TDL consists of a CARRY4 primitive chain.
 - Target resolution: 20-30 ps in σ
- Both leading/trailing edges



- absolute threshold in symmetric heavy ion collision ($AA \rightarrow AA \pi^0$) decreases as mass number increases
- absolute threshold of $pp \rightarrow pp \pi^0$ in lab frame is 280 MeV
- in $^{12}\text{C} + ^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow \pi^0 + \text{x}$ collision, absolute threshold is at 22.5 MeV --> based on this, we set the ^{12}C beam energy to be 25 MeV/u to 80 MeV/u .

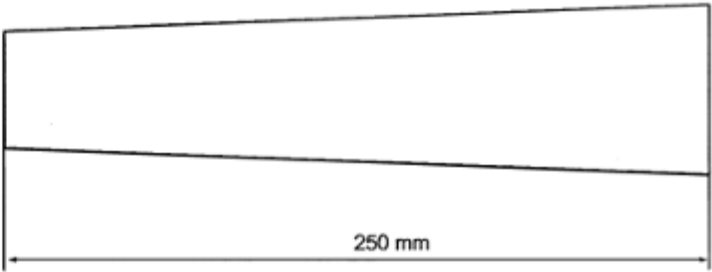
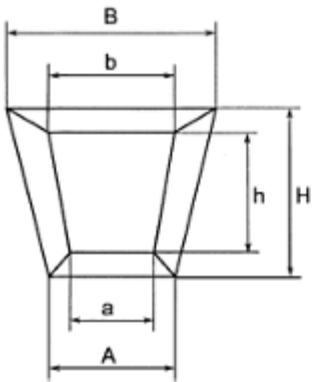
SINGLE NUCLEON-NUCLEON COLLISION MODEL FOR
SUBTHRESHOLD PION PRODUCTION IN HEAVY ION COLLISIONS (GANIL)
V. Bellini, M. Di Toro (1985)

More Informations about CsI(Tl) Crystals

Table 1
Dimensions of CsI(Tl) crystals in mm

Type number ^a	A	B	H	a	b	h
1	61.14	61.98	57.76	5.63	6.00	24.99
2	59.76	62.31	58.46	5.64	6.77	25.68
3	57.42	61.71	59.69	5.66	7.60	26.92
4	53.30	56.87	61.58	24.86	26.53	28.81
5	50.92	55.61	64.35	24.87	27.17	31.58
6	48.10	54.01	68.37	24.88	27.95	35.60
7	42.26	49.16	70.05	22.27	25.94	37.28
8	35.77	43.69	72.64	19.35	23.70	39.87
9	28.52	37.51	76.42	15.96	21.09	43.65
10	42.15	62.21	82.42	25.08	37.12	49.46

^aSee Fig. 2 for numbering.



D.V. Dementyev et al., Nucl. Instc. and Methods A 440 (2000) 151.

Table 2
Specification of the CsI calorimeter

Crystal	CsI(Tl)
Segmentation	$\Delta\theta = \Delta\phi = 7.5^\circ$
Number of crystals	768
Length of a crystal	25 cm ($13.5X_0$)
Readout	one PIN diode per crystal
Total crystal weight	1700 kg
Inner diameter	40 cm
Outer diameter	100 cm
Detector length	141 cm
Solid angle coverage	75% of 4π

More Informations about CsI(Tl) Crystals

- Photon energies up to 300 MeV.
- High density, short radiation length (X_0) and Moliere radius (R_M).
- Fast decay time, high light yield, and wavelength matching between scintillator and photon sensor.
- Maximum size in crystal growth and cost performance.

Crystal	NaI(Tl)	CsI(Tl)	CsI	BaF ₂	CeF ₃	BGO	PbWO ₄	LYSO	GAGG
Density (g/cm ³)	3.67	4.51	4.51	4.89	6.16	7.13	8.28	7.10	6.63
X_0 (cm)	2.59	1.85	1.85	2.03	1.68	1.12	0.89	1.14	1.56
R_M (cm)	4.8	3.5	3.5	3.4	2.6	2.3	2.0	2.07	2.1
Wavelength (nm)	410	560	420 310	310 195,210	330	480	420	420	520
Decay time (ns)	230	1300	35 6	620 0.6	30	300	5–15	36	90
Light output	1	0.45	0.06 0.02	0.21 0.03	0.10	0.09	0.01	0.66	1.0
Cost			\$2200			\$1600		\$8600	\$9000

Single NN Collision Model

Useful Formulas (EM showers) [1]

Radiation Length:

$$X_0 \approx \frac{180 A}{Z^2} \text{ (g.cm}^{-2}\text{)}$$

Radiation Length for composite material:

$$\frac{1}{X_0} = \sum \frac{w_j}{X_j}$$

w_j : fraction of material j
 X_j : radiation length of material j
 (in g.cm⁻²)

Moliere Radius:

$$R_M = \frac{21 \text{ MeV}}{E_C} X_0$$

Moliere Radius for composite material:

$$\frac{1}{R_M} = \sum \frac{w_j}{R_{Mj}}$$

w_j : fraction of material j
 R_{Mj} : Moliere Radius of material j
 (in g.cm⁻²)

Energy Resolution:

$$\frac{\sigma}{E} = \frac{S}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus \frac{N}{E} \oplus C$$

$\oplus$: quadratic sum
 S: Stochastic
 N: noise
 C: constant

Useful Formulas (EM showers) [2]

$$E_C(\text{solid}) = \frac{610 \text{ MeV}}{Z + 1.24}$$

E_C : critical energy

$$E_C(\text{liquid}) = \frac{710 \text{ MeV}}{Z + 0.92}$$

Shower maximum

$$t_{\max} = \frac{\ln E_0 / E_C}{\ln 2}$$

$$N(t_{\max}) \approx \frac{E_0}{E_C}$$

Longitudinal containment:

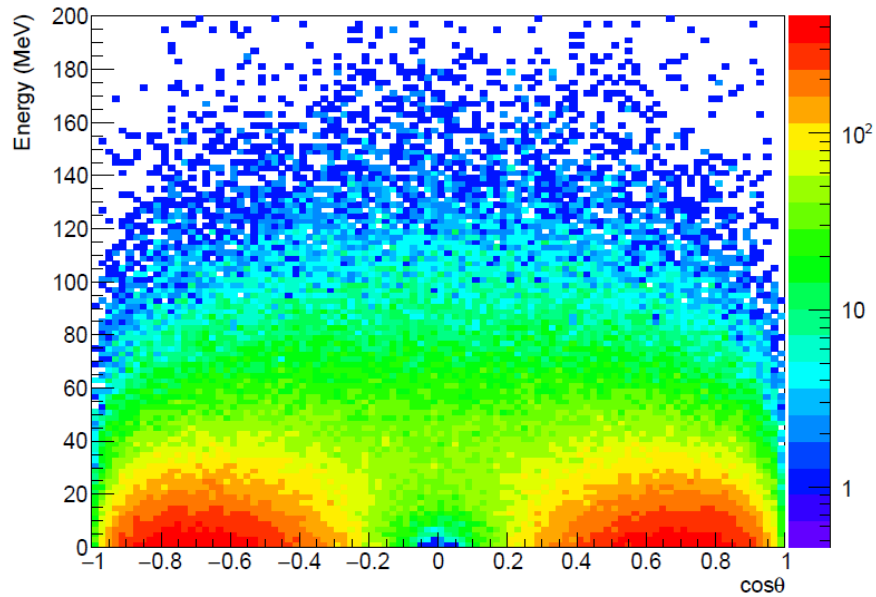
$$t_{95\%} = t_{\max} + 0.08Z + 9.6$$

$$\frac{\sigma_E}{E} = 3.2\% \sqrt{\frac{E_C [\text{MeV}] \cdot t_{\text{abs}}}{F \cdot E [\text{GeV}]}}$$

(stochastic contribution)

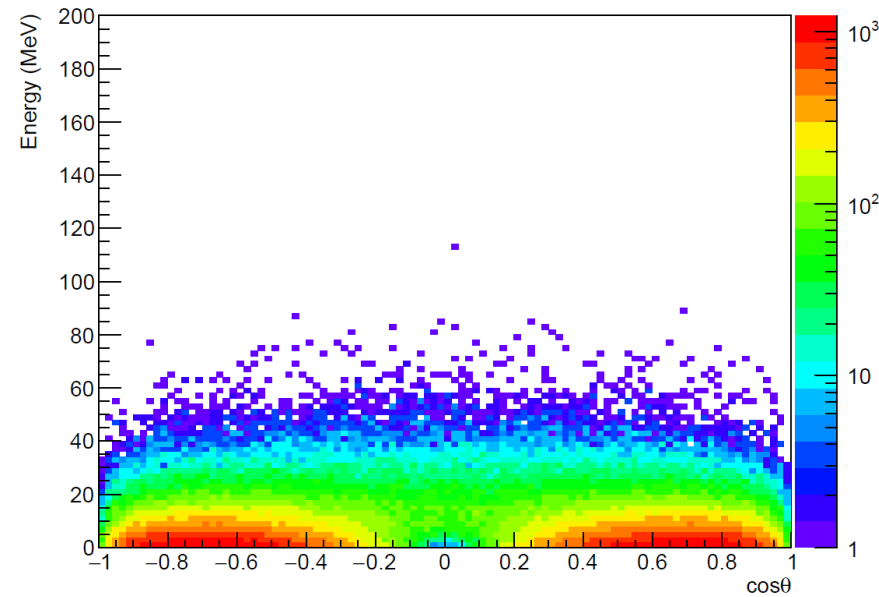
t_{abs} : thickness of absorber (in units of X_0)
 F: factor (~0.2 for liquid noble gaz, 0.06 for Si, ~1 for scintillators)

Simulation) Angular Distribution Depending on the Beam Energy



Beam T 80 MeV/u

strong anisotropy in
forward backward



Beam T 20 MeV/u

$$\frac{d^2\sigma_\gamma}{dE d\Omega} \approx \frac{\alpha Z^2 v_L^2 \sin^2\theta}{16\pi^2 E} \pi R^2 \left(v_L^2 \cos^2\theta + \frac{1}{4} R^2 E^2 \sin^2\theta \right).$$

David VASAK, Phys. Lett. B 176 (1986) 3

