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Few-Nucleon Scattering Experiments to Explore the Three-Nucleon Forces

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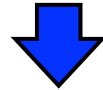


1. Three-Nucleon Force and deuteron-proton elastic scattering

Two-Nucleon Force (NN) and Three-Nucleon Force ($3NF$)

Realistic NN potentials : Argonne v_{18} (AV18), CD Bonn (CDB), Nijmegen I, II

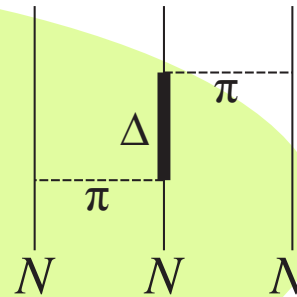
- reproduce 4000 high-precision NN scattering data with accuracy of $\chi^2/\text{data} \sim 1$
- excellent descriptions of deuterons ($A = 2$)



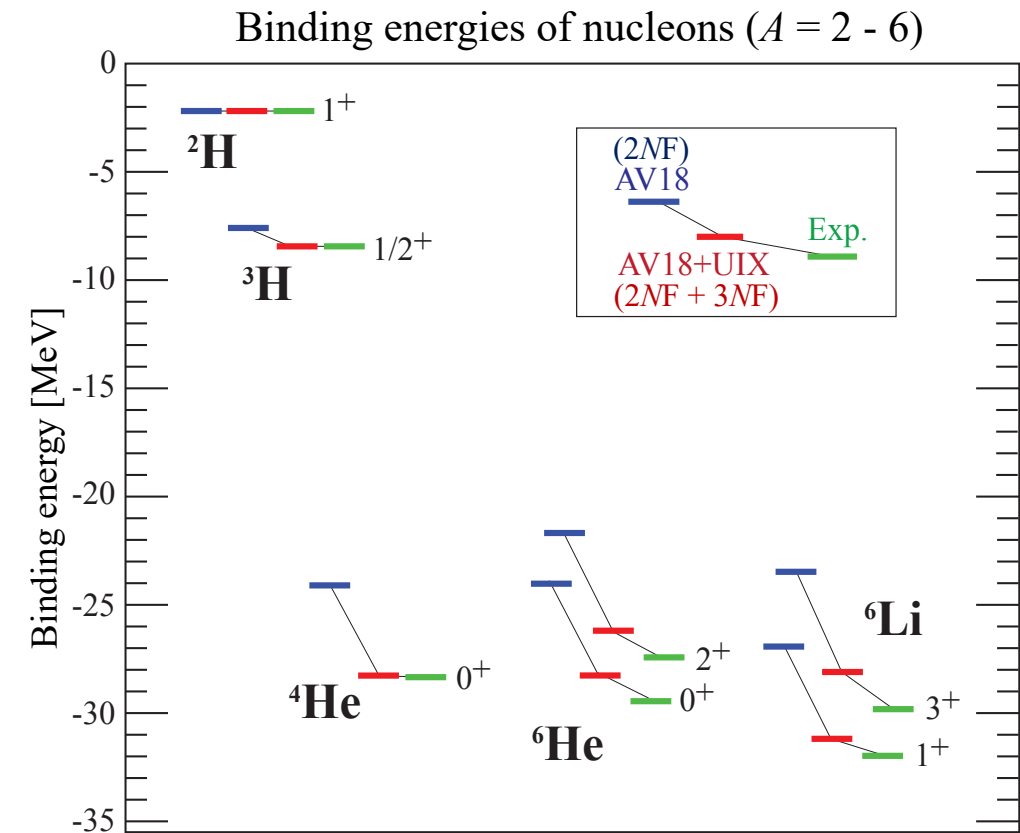
fail to describe properties of $A \geq 3$ nucleon systems
eg. binding energies, nuclear matters

Three-Nucleon Force ($3NF$)

- Typical $3NF$: Fujita-Miyazawa (2π -exchange) type
- Development of Urbana IX (UIX), Tucson-Melbourne (TM)
→ potentials based on 2π -exchange type $3NF$



good descriptions of $A \geq 3$ nuclear binding energies



S. C. Pieper et al., Phys. Rev. C **64**, 014001 (2001).



1. Three-Nucleon Force and deuteron-proton elastic scattering

Study of 3NFs via few-nucleon scattering experiments

- momentum, spin, isospin dependence of the 3NFs

Direct comparison between...

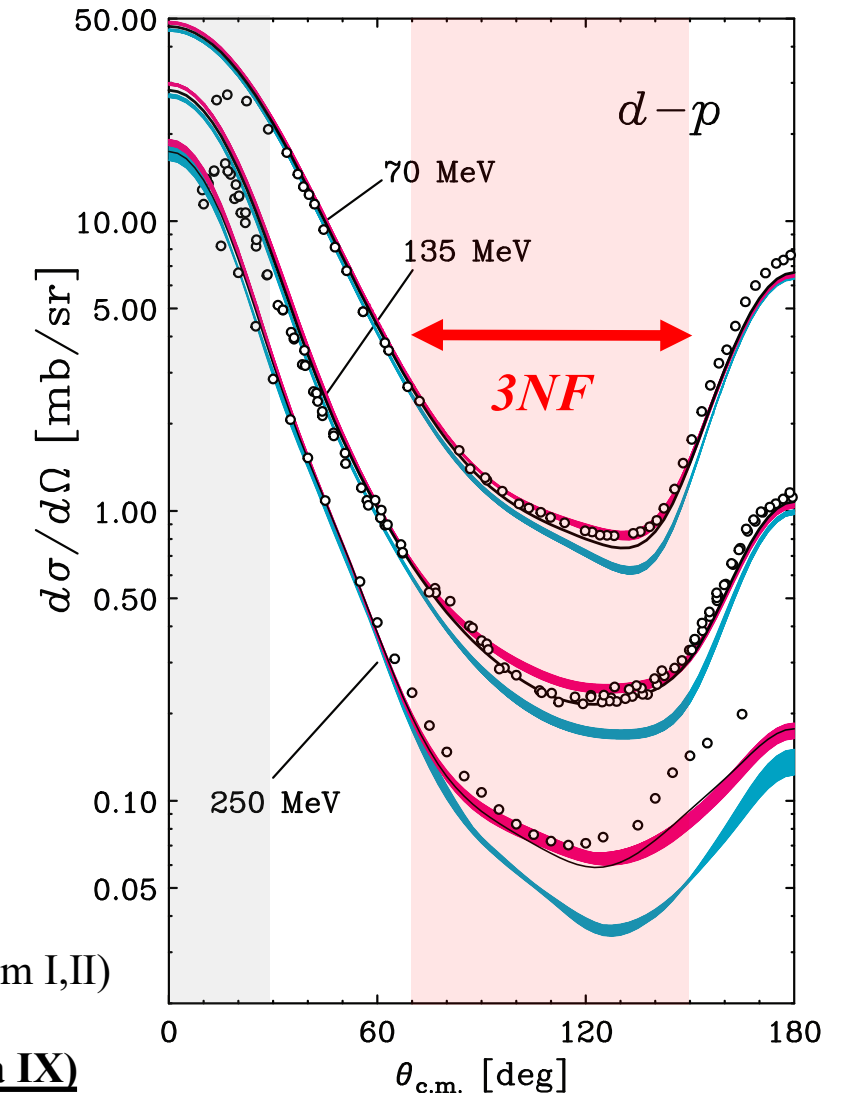
- **high-precision data** in few-nucleon scattering (differential cross sections, spin observables)
- **theoretical predictions** based on rigorous numerical calculations

- ***d-p* elastic scattering (E/A 70–300 MeV)**

Differential cross section
→ **3NF effect observed at cross section minimum**

***d-p* elastic scattering :**
effective probe for investigation of the 3NFs

❖ Differential cross section



- data
- 2N (CDB, AV18, Nijm I,II)
- 2N + 3N (TM)
- AV18 + 3N (Urbana IX)



1. Three-Nucleon Force and deuteron-proton elastic scattering

Chiral Effective Field Theory and Three-Nucleon Force

Chiral Effective Field Theory (χ EFT)

- Newly progressing theory based on low energy QCD

χ EFT's 2N : achieved to level of high precision (N^4 LO)

P. Reinert, H. Krebs, and E. Epelbaum, Eur. Phys. J. A **54**, 86 (2018).

χ EFT's 3N : aim to develop an accurate potential at N^4 LO

→ **low energy constants (LECs)** must be fixed
from experimental data

11/13 LECs can be probed in Nd scattering

d -p elastic scattering : good probe for investigation of the 3NFs

→ determination of 11 LECs in N^4 LO's 3NF sector

New Experiment necessary!

	2N Force	3N Force	4N Force
LO (Q^0)			
NLO (Q^2)			
N^2 LO (Q^3)			
N^3 LO (Q^4)			
N^4 LO (Q^5)			

13 LECs

E. Epelbaum, arXiv:1908.09349 (2019).

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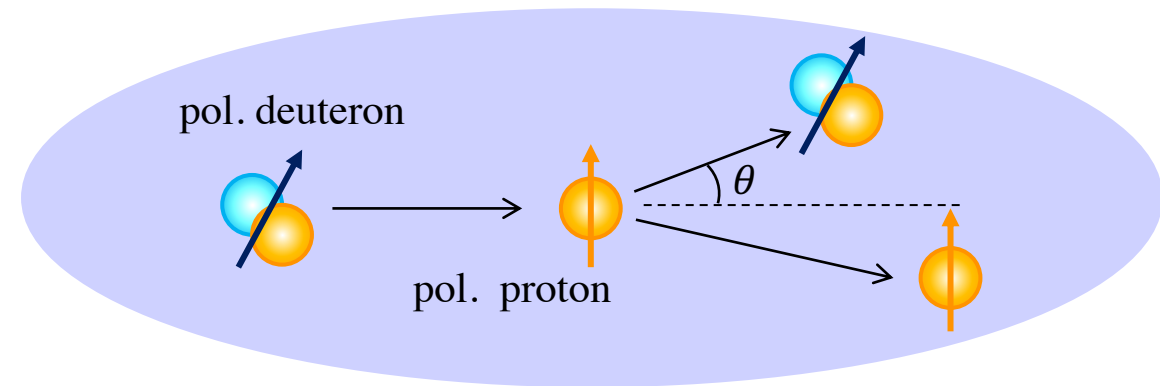
New d - p experiment for the determination of the 3NF

pd and nd elastic scattering at 65-300 MeV/nucleon

Observable	50	100	200	300 [MeV/N]
$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}$				
$\vec{p} \quad A_y^p$ $\vec{n} \quad A_y^n$				
$\vec{d} \quad i T_{11}$ T_{20} T_{22} T_{21}				
$\vec{p} \rightarrow \vec{p}$ $K_x^{x'} K_y^{y'}$ $K_x^{z'} K_z^{x'} K_z^{z'}$				
$\vec{d} \rightarrow \vec{p}$ $K_y^{y'} K_{yy}^{y'}$ $K_{xx}^{y'} K_{xz}^{y'}$				
$\vec{p} \vec{d}$ $C_{x,x} \ C_{y,y} \ C_{z,x}$ $C_{x,z} \ C_{z,z}$ $C_{xx,y} \ C_{yy,y}$ $C_{xz,y} \ C_{yz,x} \ C_{xy,x}$				

Measurement of spin correlation coefficients in d - p elastic scattering @ RIKEN

➤ for the determination of LECs in N4LO 3NFs



Polarization of both beam and target necessary!

- ❖ Polarized deuteron beam ($\vec{d}$) : polarized ion source @ RIKEN
- ❖ Polarized proton target ($\vec{p}$) : newly developed based on triplet-DNP
- ❖ New detector system (KuJyaku) developed for measurement of L, R, U, D at wide angular (θ) range



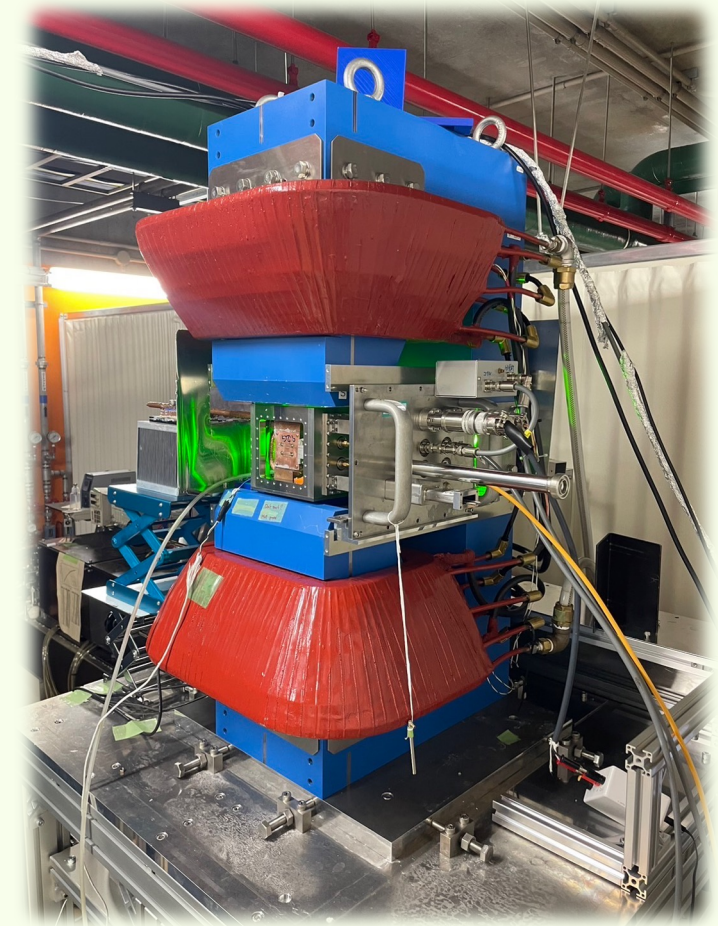
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→based on the **Triplet-Dynamic Nuclear Polarization (triplet-DNP) Method**

Past achievements : Proton polarization of 34% @ 0.4 T and ~300K
K. Tateishi *et al.*, www.pnas.org/cgi/doi/10.1073/pnas.1315778111

necessary conditions for $\vec{d}$ - $\vec{p}$ elastic scattering experiment

- **measurement in wide angular range ($\theta_{lab} : \pm 60^\circ$)**
- **detection of scattered particles with relatively low energy (60-200 MeV)**
→ static field under ~1 T
- **polarization around 10 %**

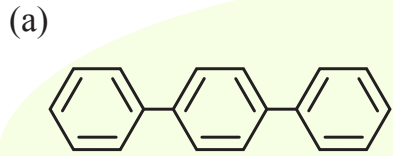




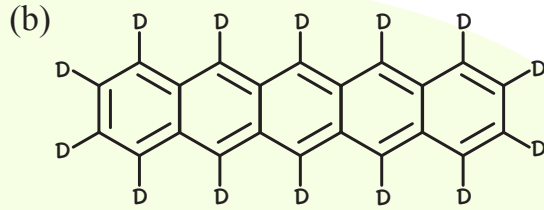
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Polarized Proton Target ($\vec{p}$)

Target : pentacene doped *p*-terphenyl single crystal



p-terphenyl



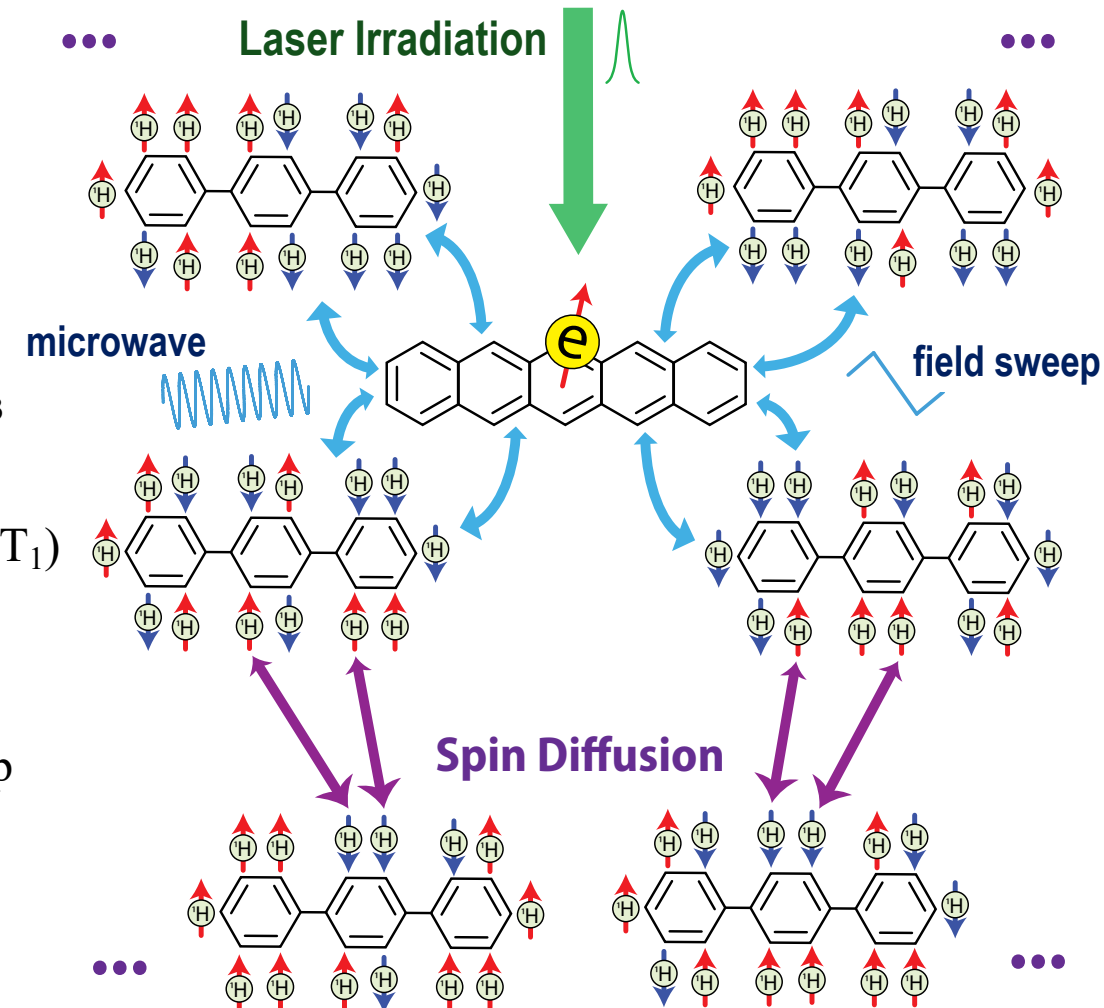
deuterated pentacene
(0.005 %/mol)



Size : $\phi 10 \times 2.5 \text{ mm}^3$

- ① Optical excitation of electrons in pentacene and decay to triplet state (T_1)
→ **Electron polarization** of ~ **85%**
- ② **Polarization transfer** from electrons to protons
: integrated solid effect (ISE) = Microwave irradiation + field sweep
- ③ Proton polarization localized around pentacene after ISE
→ spontaneously diffused and averaged out = **Spin diffusion**

Aim : proton polarization of around 10%

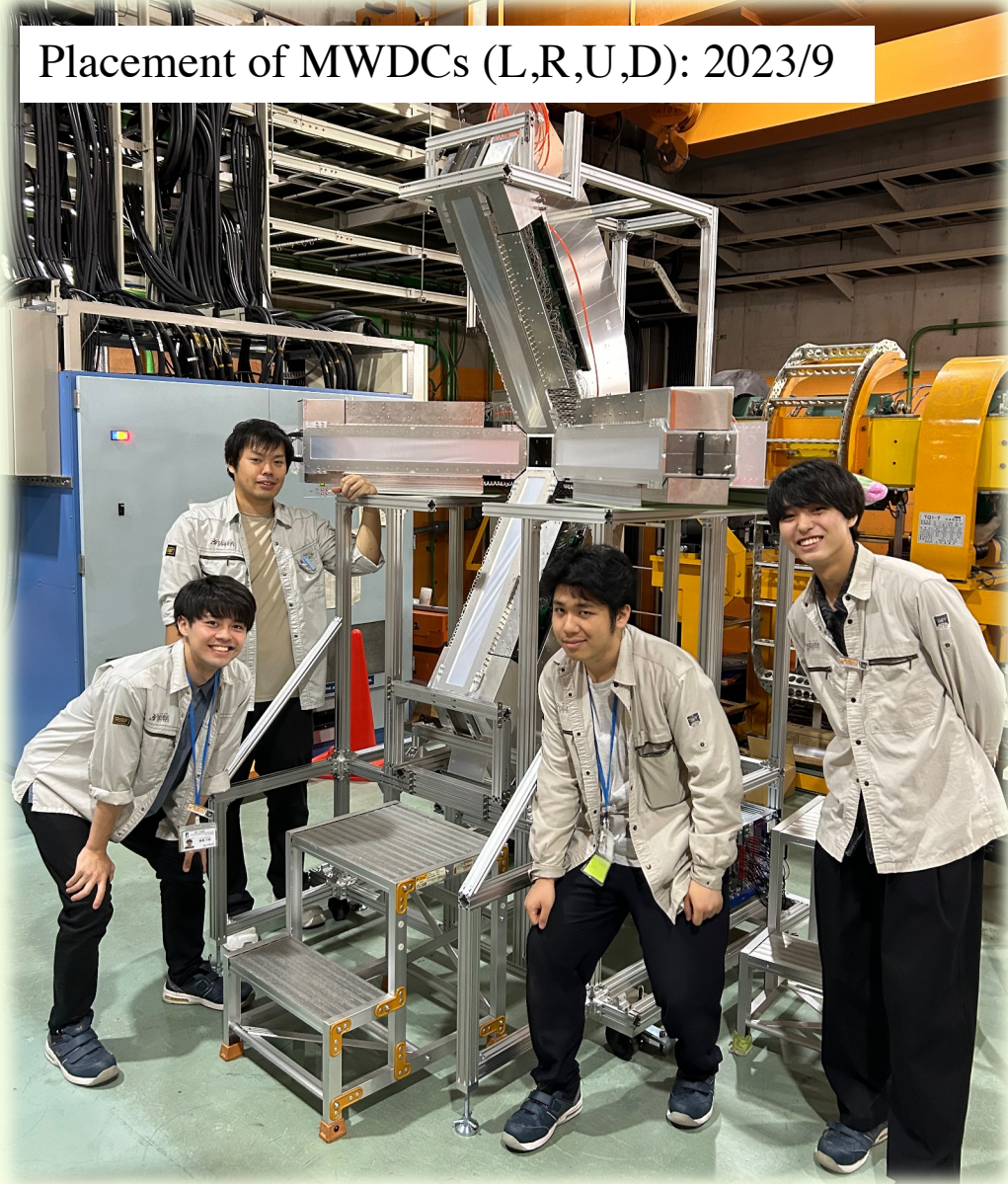


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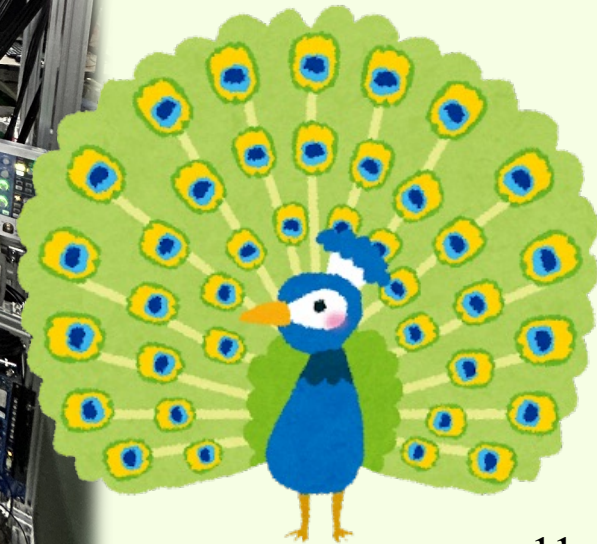
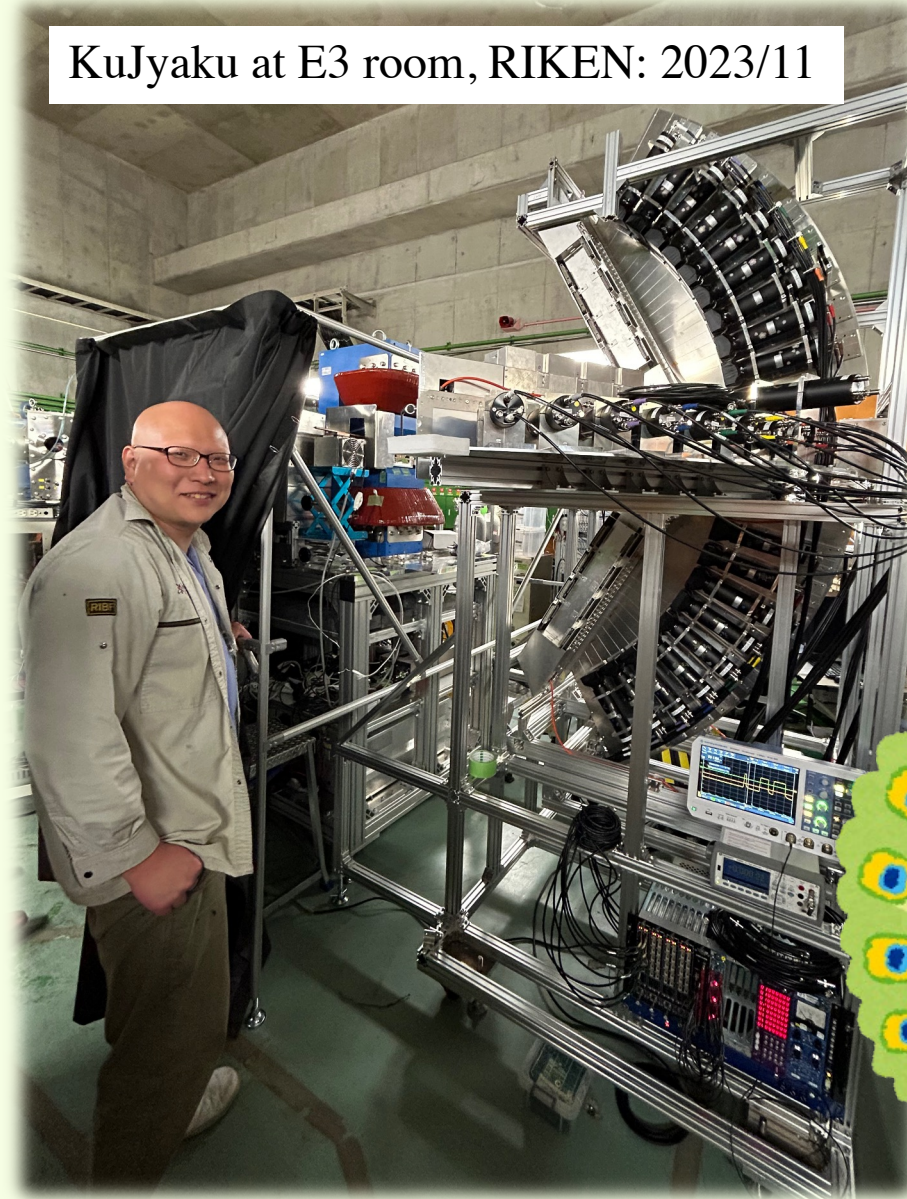
KuJyaku Detector System



Placement of MWDCs (L,R,U,D): 2023/9



KuJyaku at E3 room, RIKEN: 2023/11



2. KuJyaku Detector System

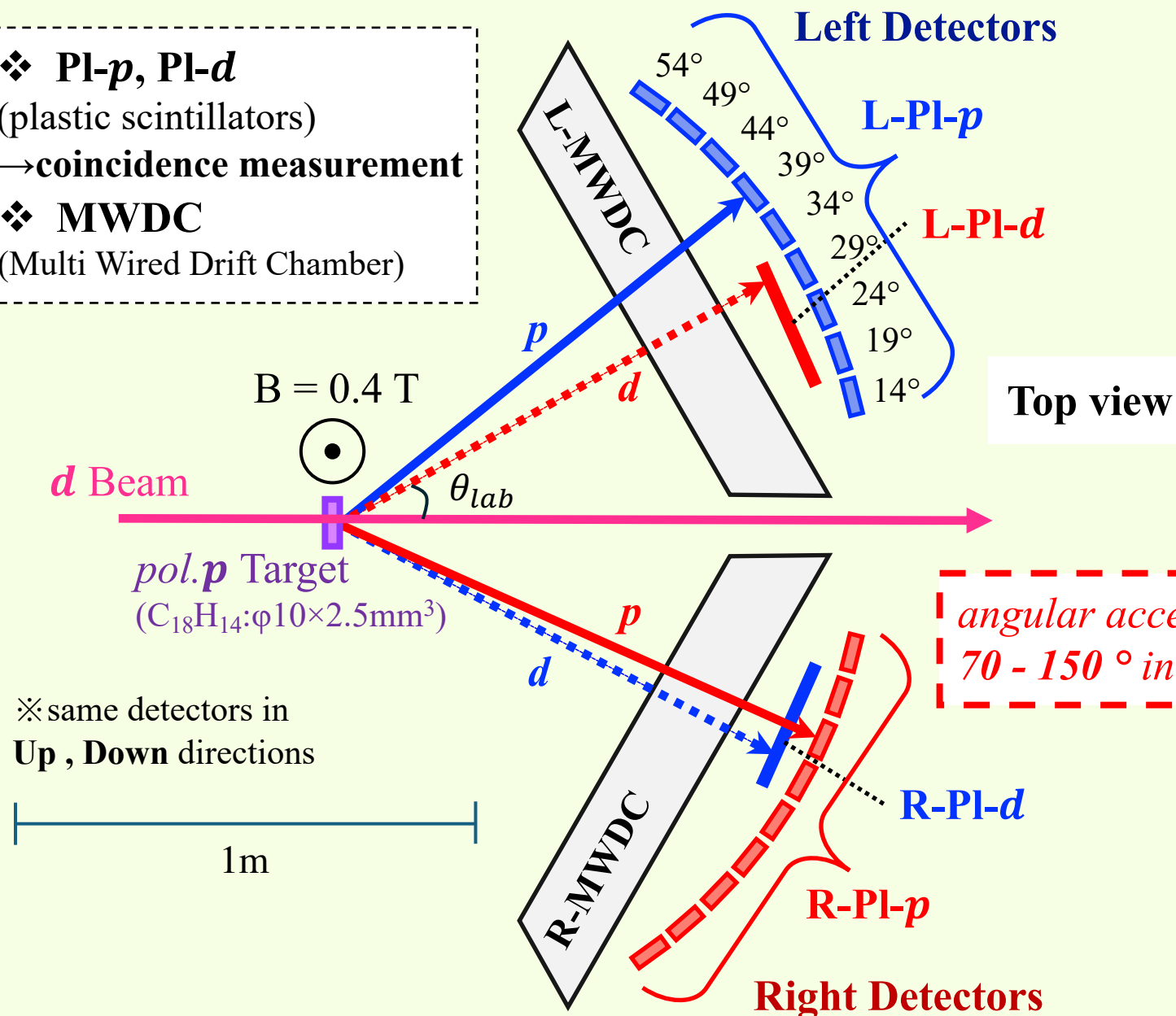
❖ **PI-*p*, PI-*d***

(plastic scintillators)

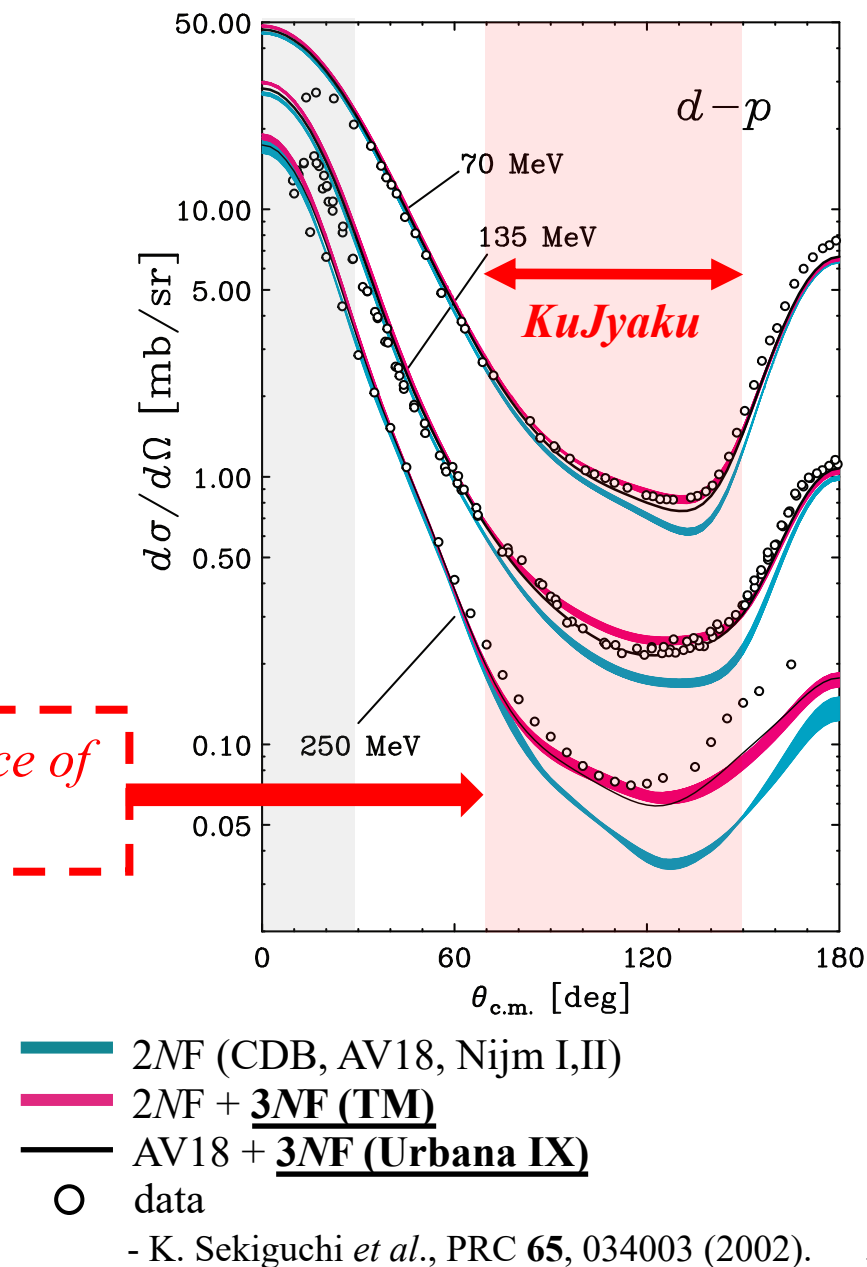
→ **coincidence measurement**

❖ **MWDC**

(Multi Wired Drift Chamber)



❖ **Differential cross section**

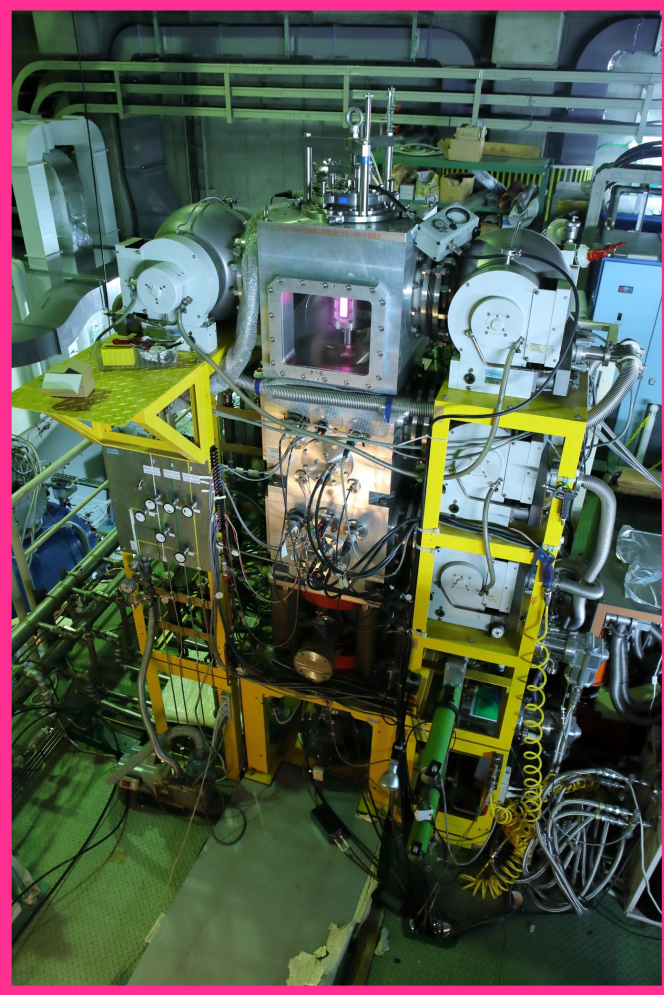




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Polarized deuteron beam ($\vec{d}$) : Polarized ion source

Polarized ion source

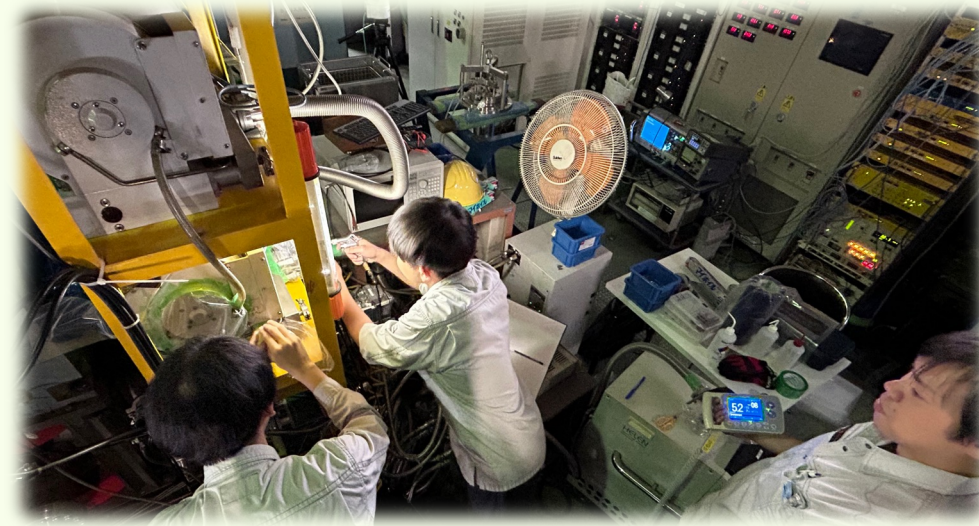


~2012

- polarization : 60-80% of theoretically maximum values

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- water leakage from cooling pipe inside vacuum chamber
→ repairing / maintenance



← leak test of the fixed cooling pipe using He gas

2024/ 9 → deuteron polarization beam test !

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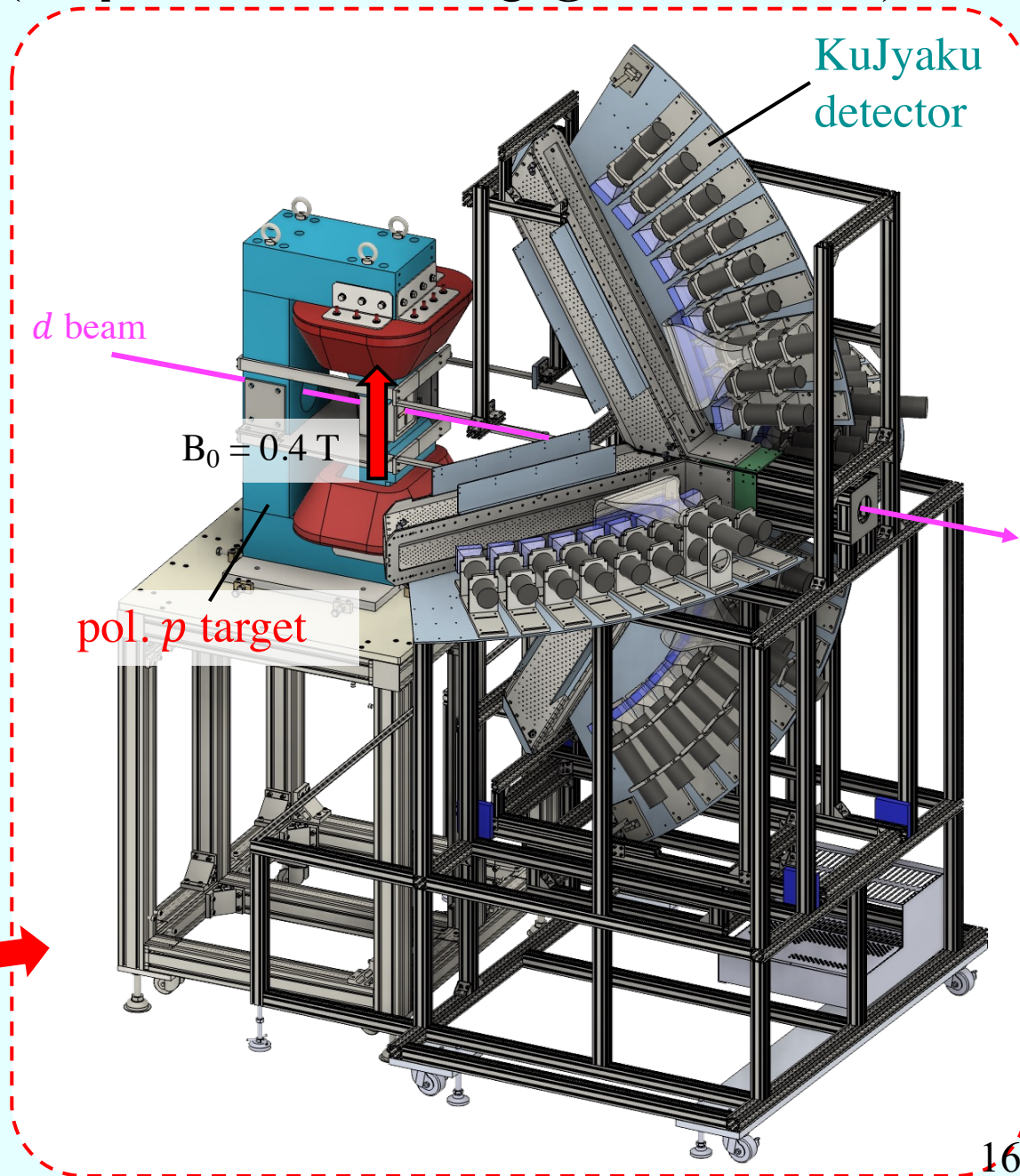
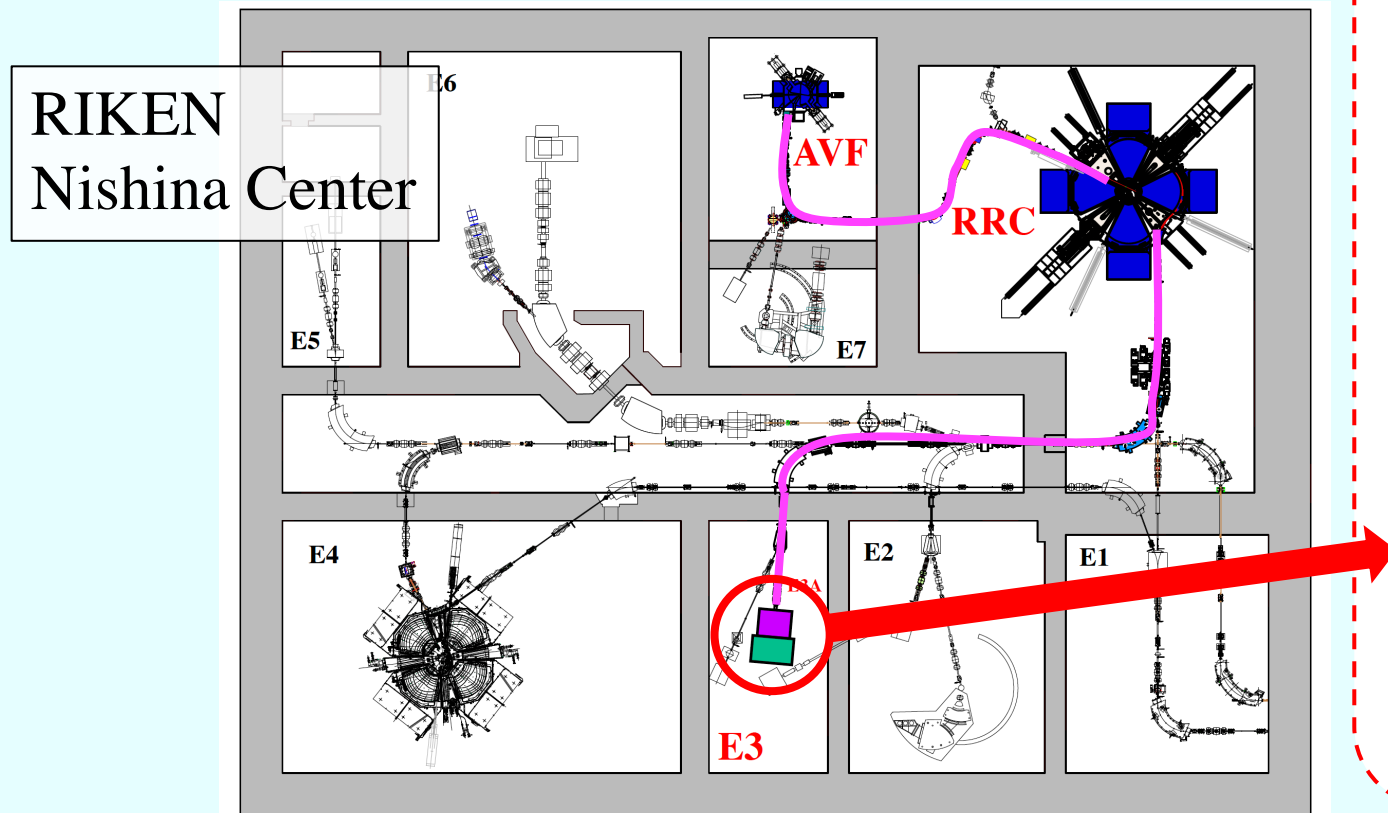
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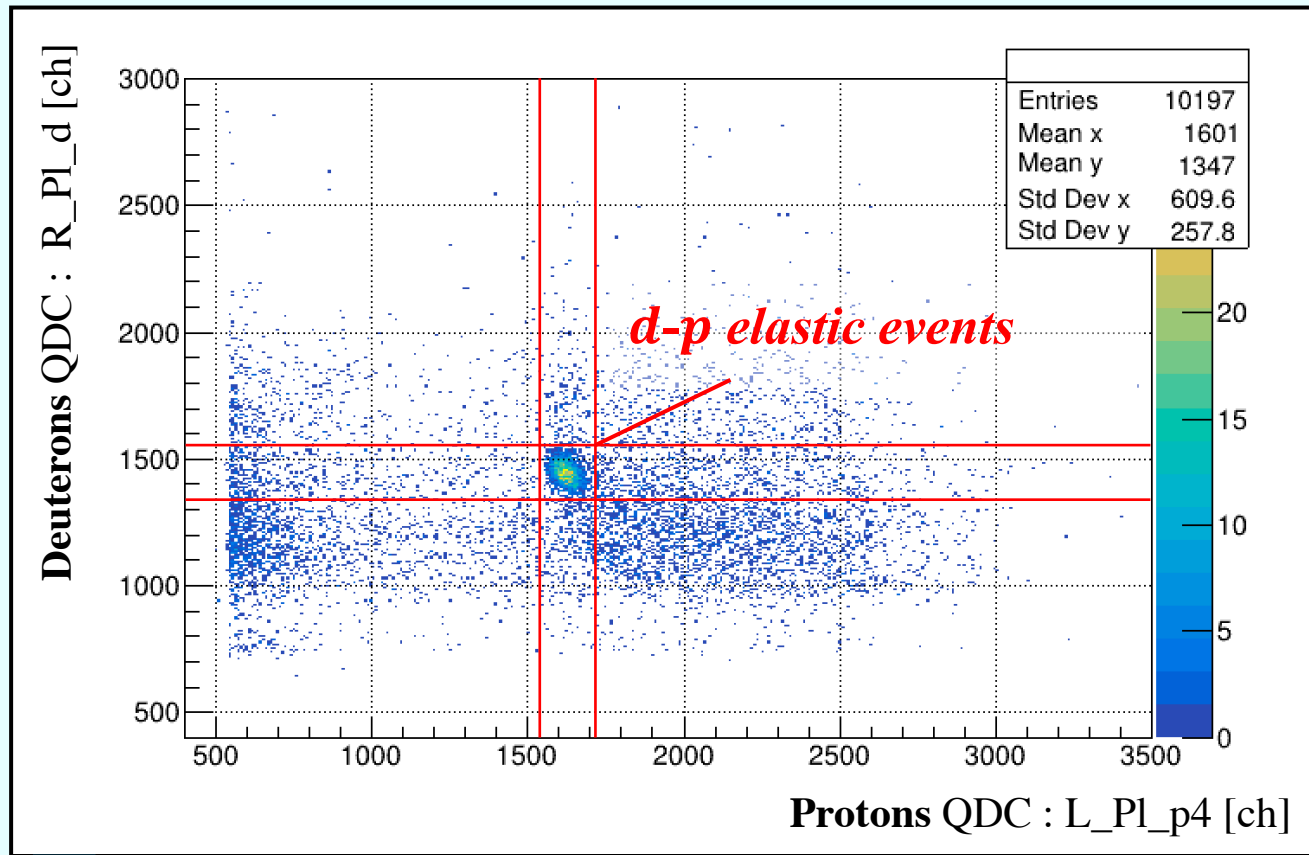
➤ First beam test on target/detector systems using d beam

Observables	$d\sigma/d\Omega$, A_y , target polarization
Machine time	1/8 9:00 - 1/10 9:00
beam	135 MeV/Nucleon unpolarized d beam
target	pol. p target ($C_{14}H_{18}$ crystal : $\phi 10, 2.5$ mm)
detector	KuJyaku system (plastic scintillators, MWDCs)

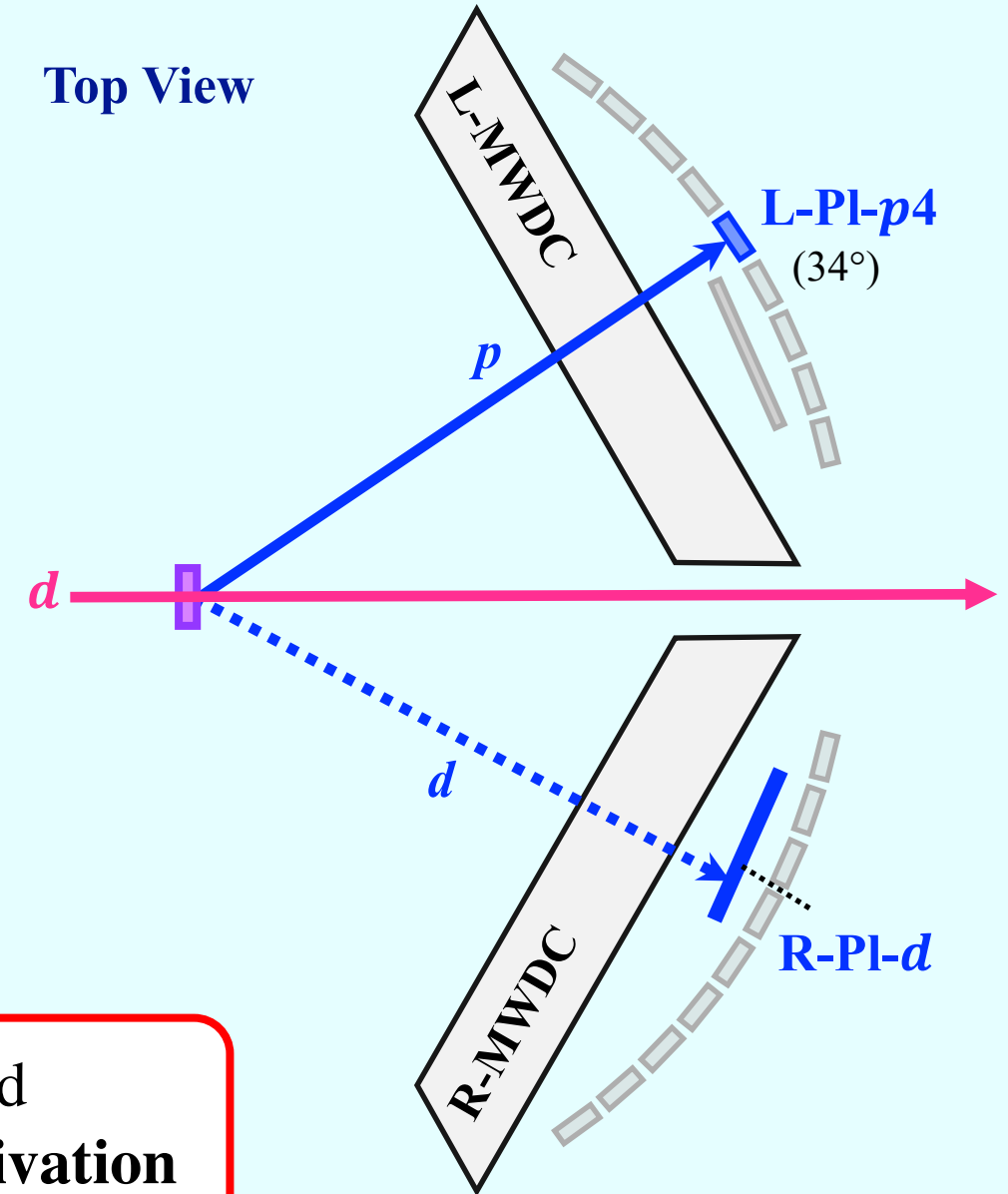


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Event Selection



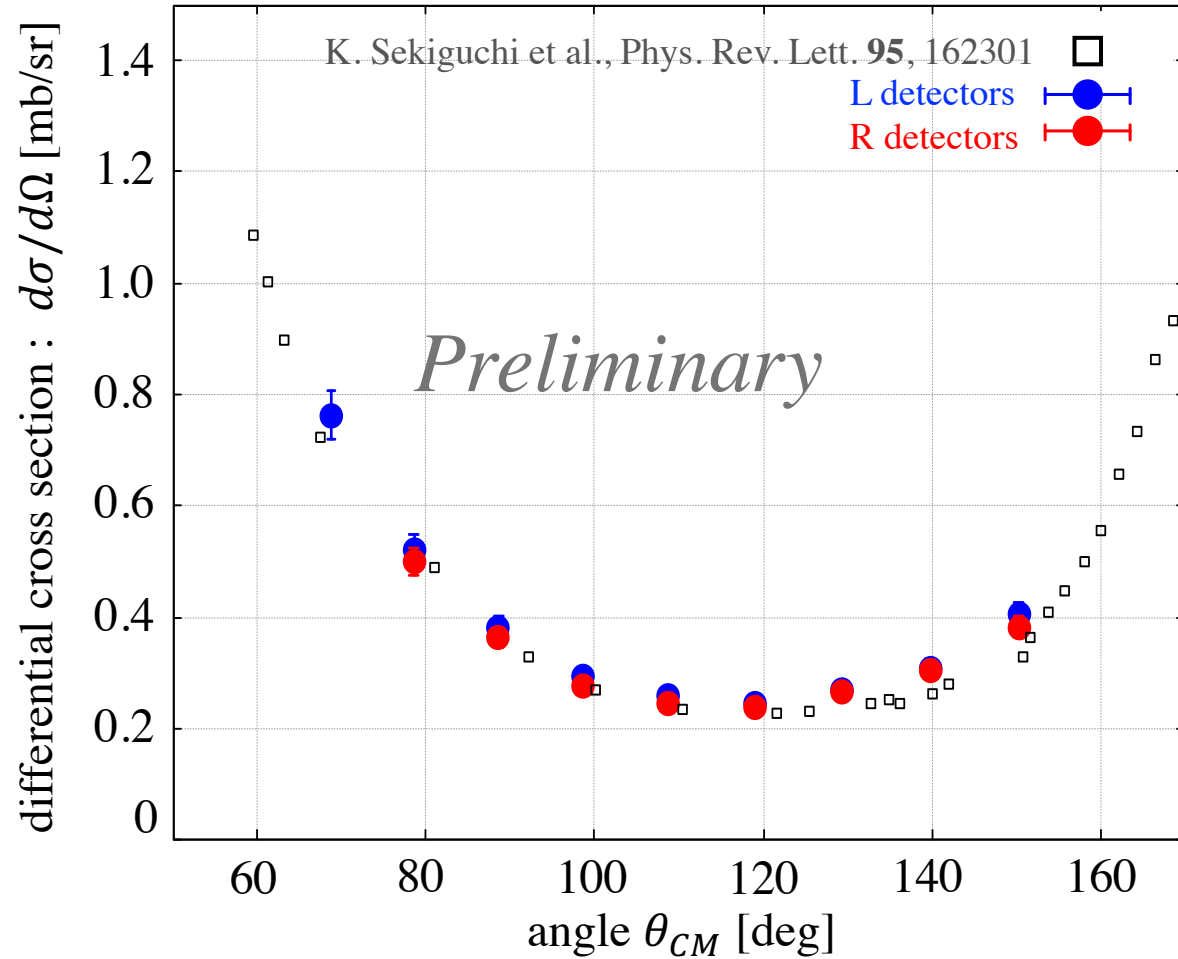
Top View



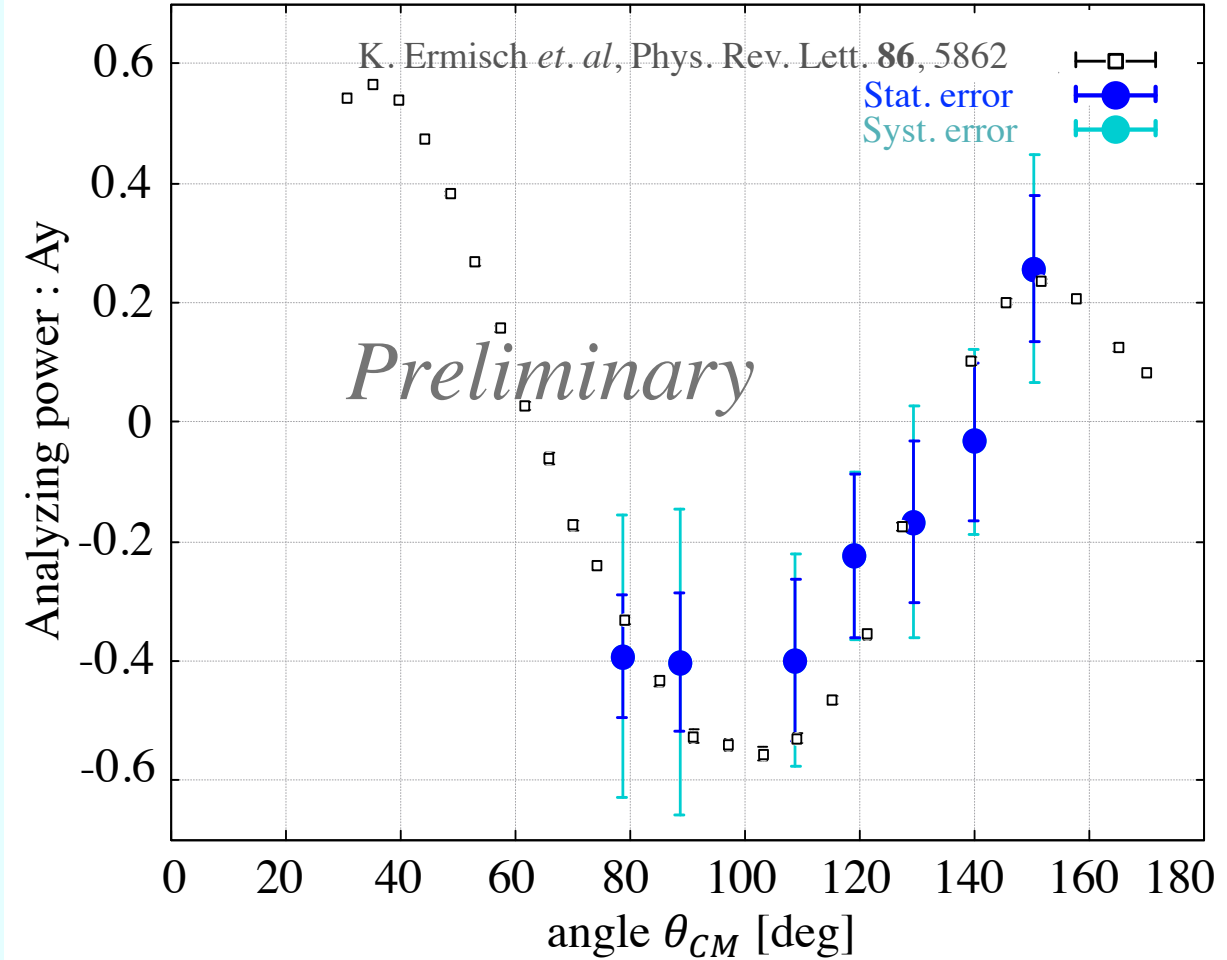
d-p elastic events *successfully* observed
→ yield used for $d\sigma/d\Omega$ and A_y derivation

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Preliminary Results



✂error bars: systematic error
(static error within circles)



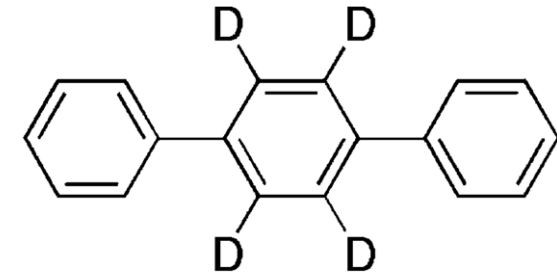
✂large error due to low polarization of proton target (~2-3%)
→improvements necessary!

Future plans for the Measurement of Spin Correlation Coefficients in $\vec{d}$ - $\vec{p}$ elastic scattering



❖ *Necessity of improvements in target polarization*

- ✓ new material for target crystal : ***p*-terphenyl-*d*₄**
 - under development
 - polarization expected to rise to ~10%



❖ **Measurement of Spin Correlation Coefficients in $\vec{d}$ - $\vec{p}$ elastic scattering**

- ✓ Next : $\vec{d} + \vec{p}$ @ 100 & 135 MeV/Nucleon $\rightarrow C_{y,y}, C_{x,x}, C_{yy,y}$
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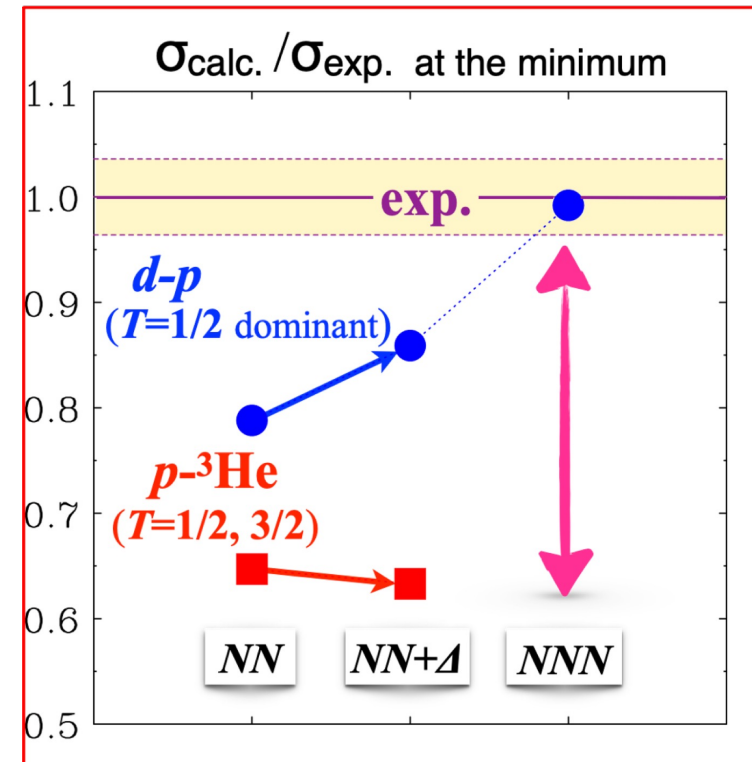
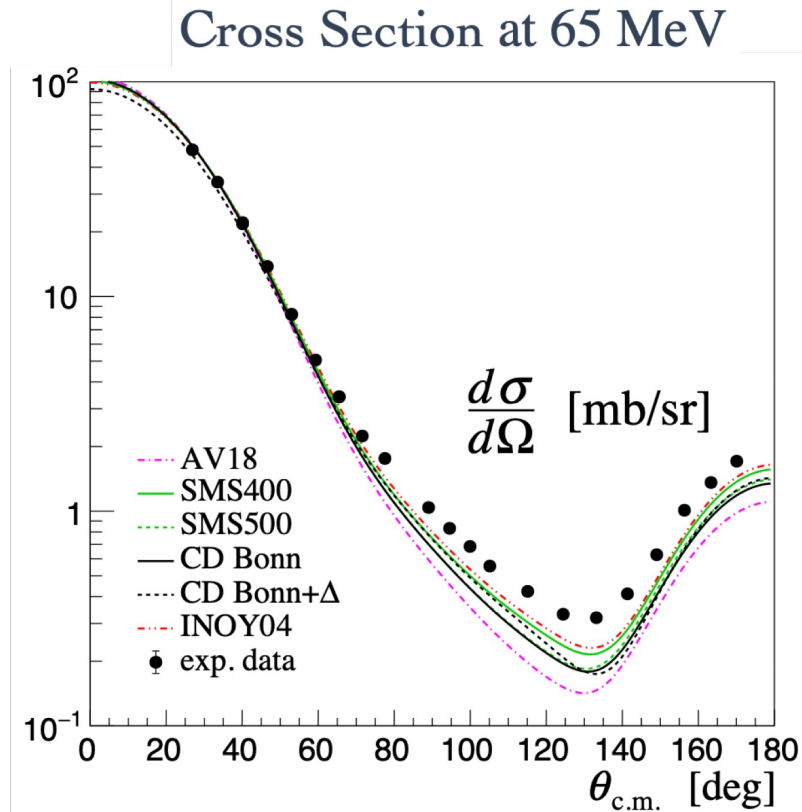


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Isospin Dependence of $3NF$ s

- $d + p$: isospin channel limited to $T = 1/2$
- **$T = 3/2$ channel** of $3NF$ s : Important roles for exploring **neutron-rich nuclei & pure neutron matter**

Proton- ^3He elastic Scattering @ 65-100 MeV for investigation of $T = 3/2$ channel in $3NF$ s



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JST ERATO Three-Nucleon Force Project (PI : Kimiko Sekiguchi)



Nuclear Medicine



RI production



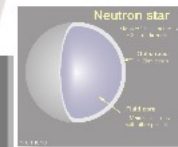
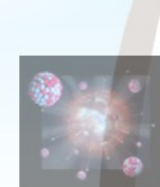
Engineering

Nuclear fusion & fission

Nucleosynthesis

Neutron star

Applied Science
Evolution of Nuclear Data



**Polarization Experiment
- Few-Nucleon Systems -**



**Ultra Cold Atom
Experiment**



**High Precision
NN+NNN
Force**

**High-Accuracy
Quantum Many-Body
Calculations**

**Nuclear Forces
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Fundamental Science
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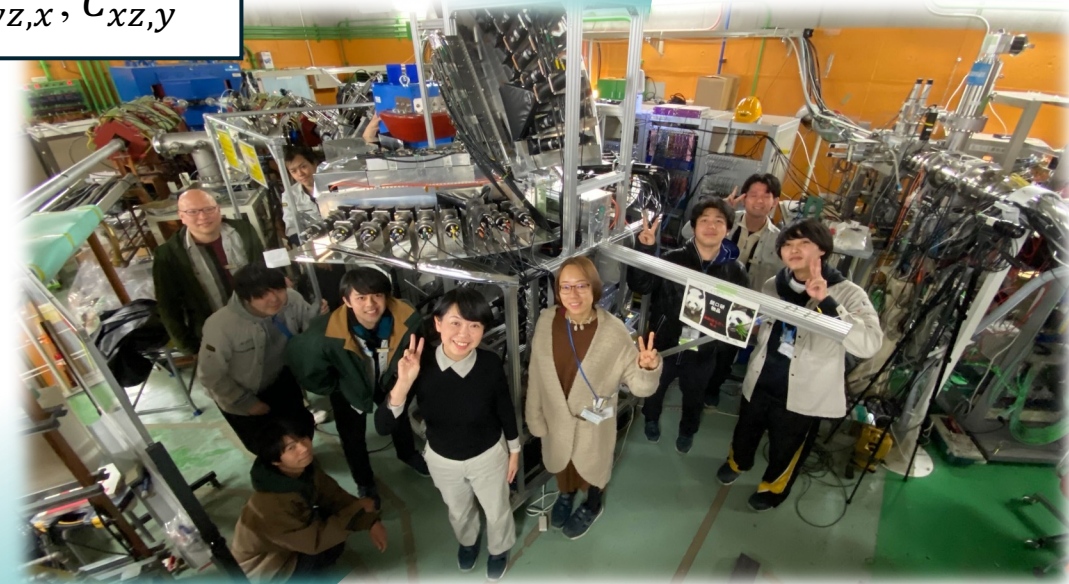


- Measurement of spin correlation coefficients in $\vec{d}-\vec{p}$ elastic scattering to determine 11 LECs in $N^4\text{LO}$ of the 3NF sector in Chiral EFT
- Experiment with the new systems in January 2024 ($d-\vec{p}$ elastic scattering @ 135 MeV/Nucleon, RIKEN)
 - ✓ First beam test on the target and detector systems via deuteron beam
 - ✓ Analysis on the differential cross sections / Analyzing Powers → ongoing

❖ Plan for Measurement of Spin Correlation Coefficients

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Thank you for your attention.