

# NEWAGE

(New generation WIMP search  
with an advanced gaseous tracker experiment)

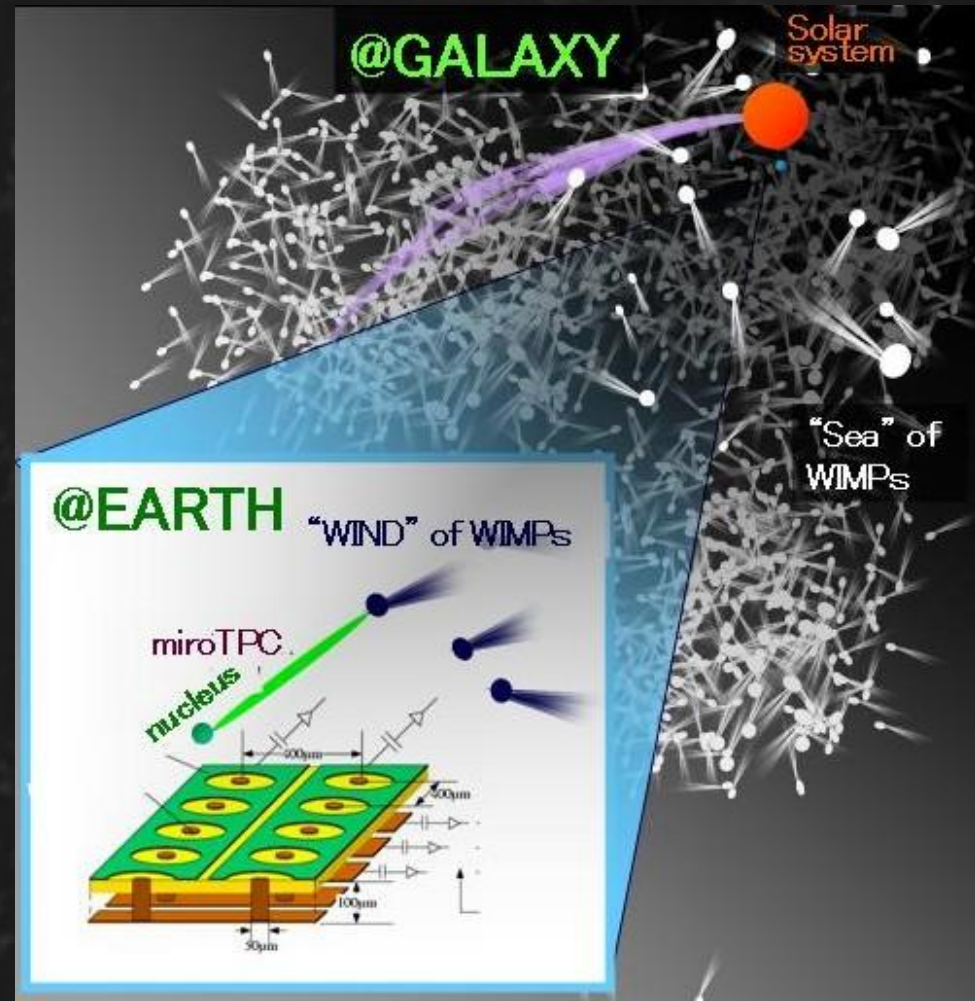
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# OUTLINE

## ◆ NEWAGE

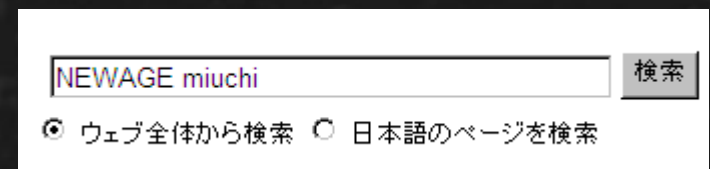
- detector, its performance

## ◆ Highlights since CYGNUS 2007

- underground activities
- angular resolution measurement
- background
- R&D for future

## ◆ Summary

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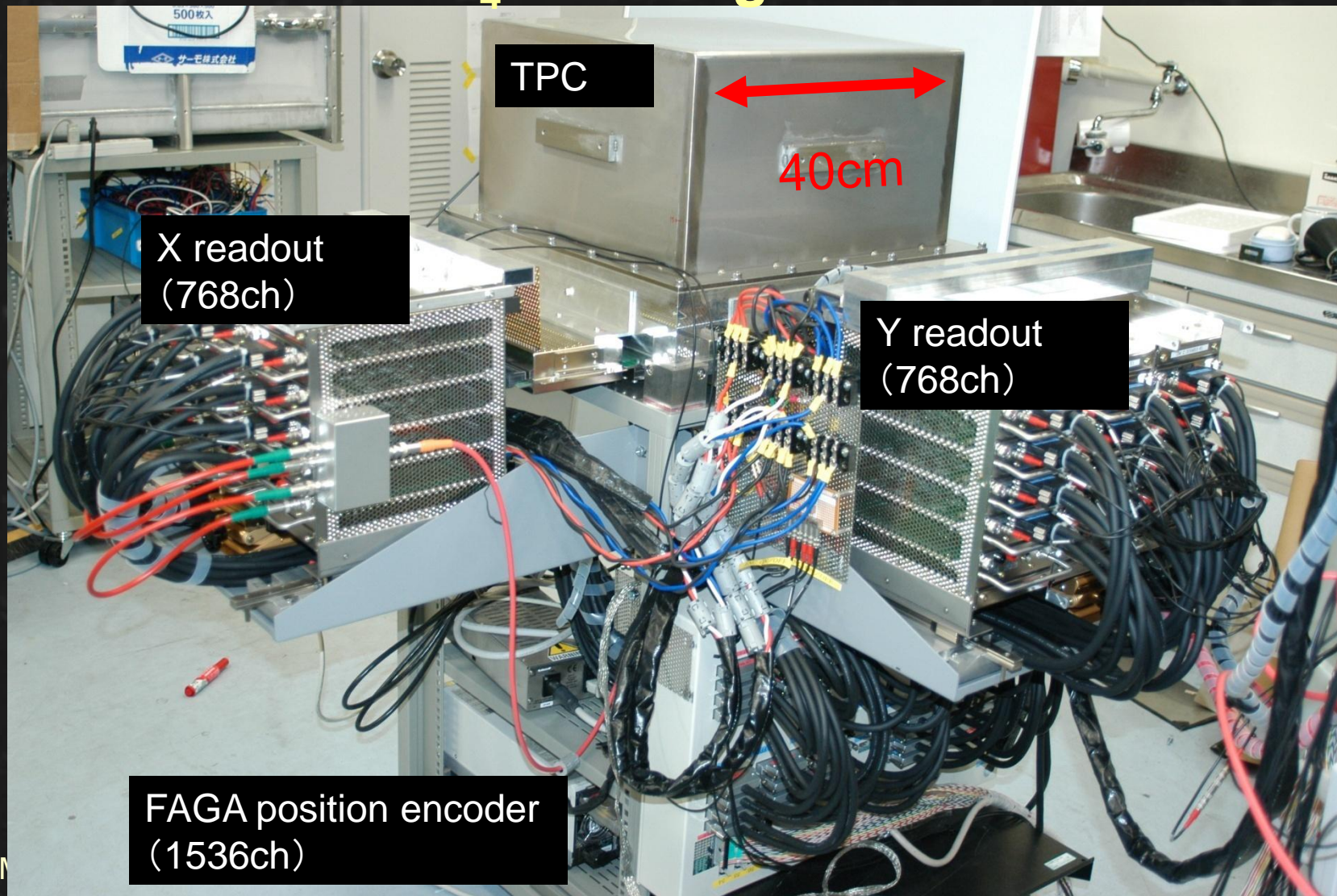
A screenshot of a search engine interface. The search bar contains the text "NEWAGE miuchi". To the right of the search bar is a button labeled "検索". Below the search bar, there are two radio buttons: the first is selected and labeled "ウェブ全体から検索", and the second is unselected and labeled "日本語のページを検索".

and get Nishimura's  
doctor thesis

# NEWAGE : system

# ◆ Detector

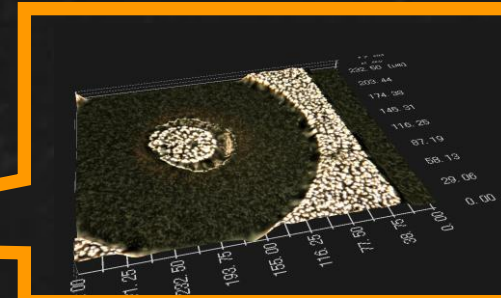
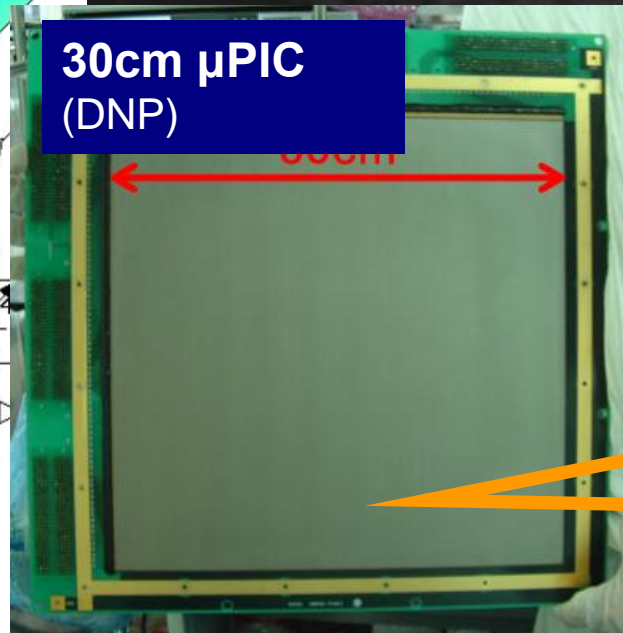
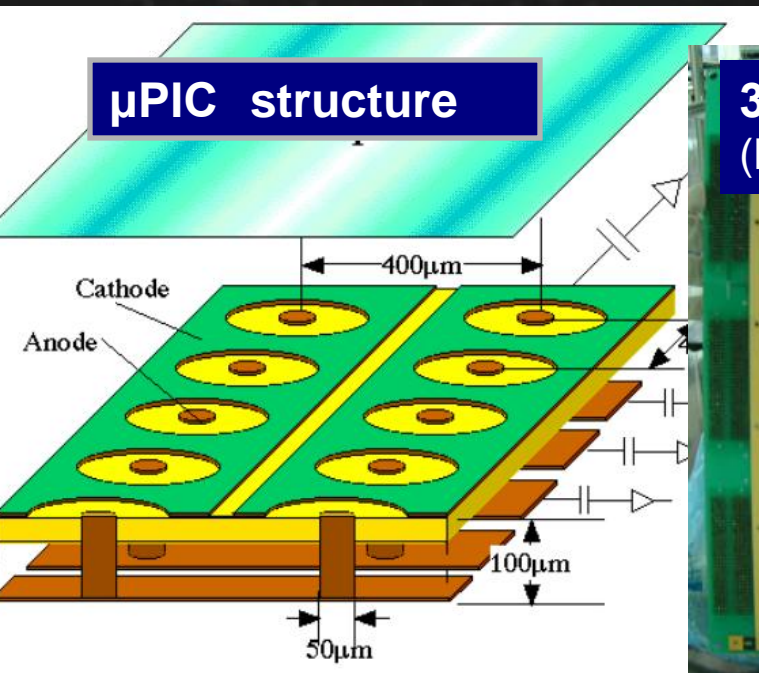
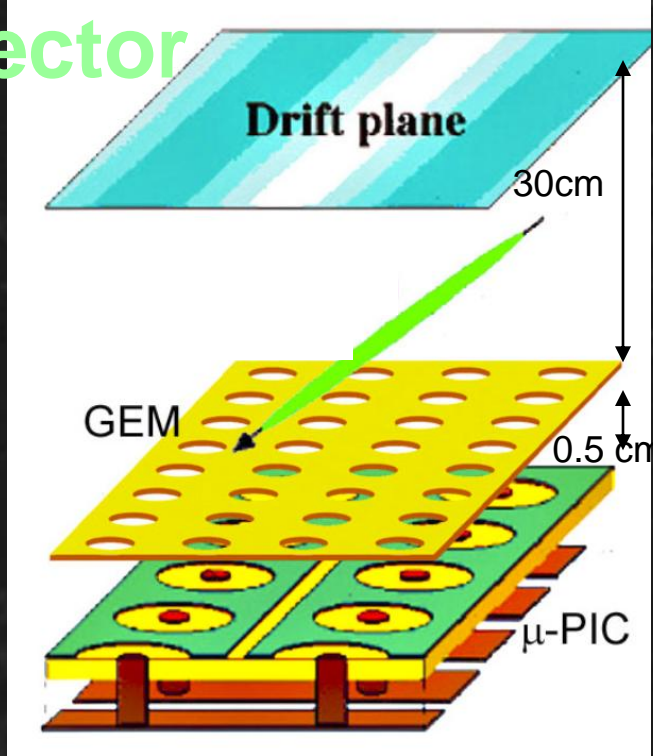
- NEWAGE-0.3a  $23 \times 28 \times 31\text{cm}^3$
- 152torr  $\text{CF}_4 = 11.48\text{g}$



# Micro-patterned gaseous detector

## • $\mu$ -PIC (30\*30cm<sup>2</sup>)

- Gas amplification + readout
- 400 $\mu$ m pitch
- 768+768 readouts
- Gas gain ~1000 with 152torr CF<sub>4</sub>

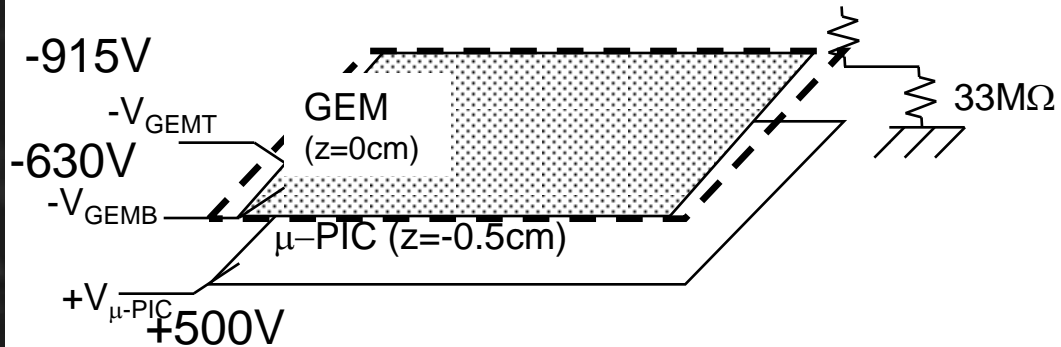
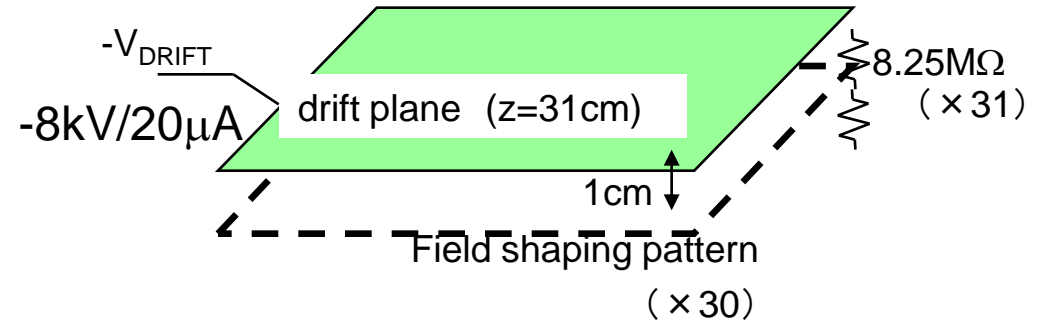


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# TPC system

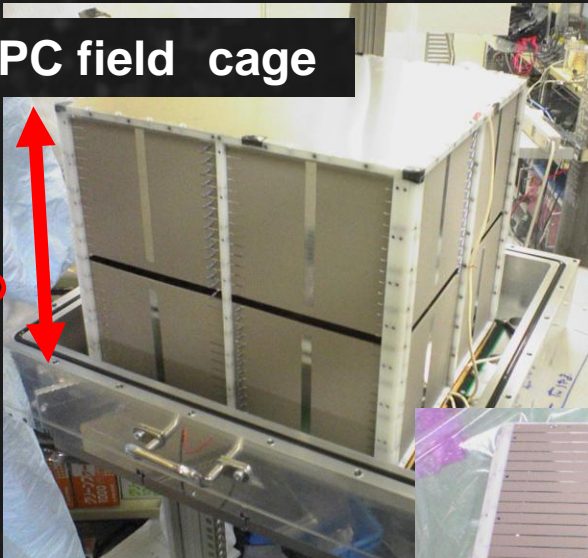
## Gas volume

- DRIFT length 31cm
- CF<sub>4</sub> 152 torr gas
- sealed operation with a getter pump



TPC field cage

31cm



inside



## Readout electronics tomorrow



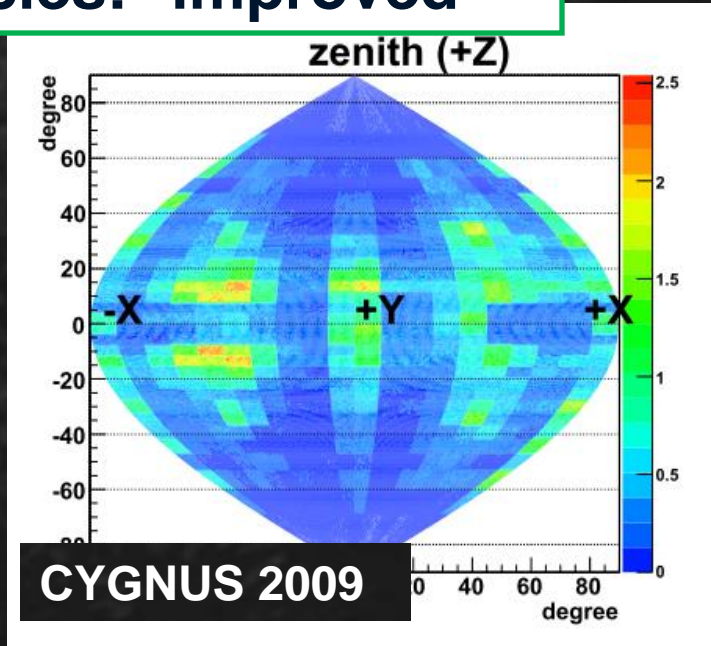
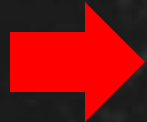
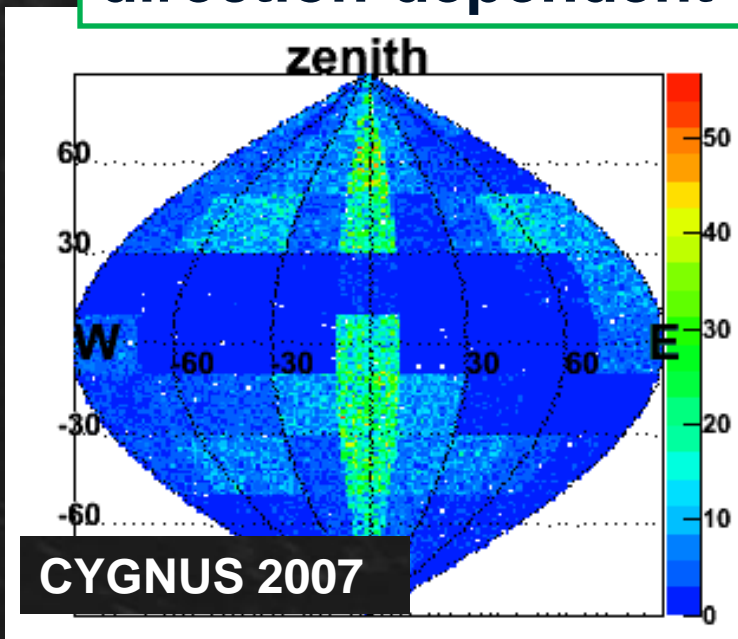
# NEWAGE : performance



# Performance summary (skipping measurement details...)

parameter	value	
energy resolution	45%(FWHM)	@6MeV
	70%(FWHM)	@100keV
$\gamma$ -ray efficiency	$8.1 \times 10^{-6}$	@100keV
Energy threshold	100keV	
Detection efficiency	80%	@100keV

## direction-dependent efficiencies: improved

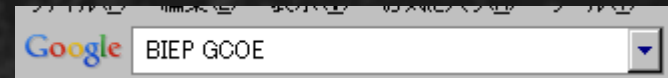




# Before the **HIGHLIGHTS:** **announcement**

**Kyoto university's GCOE started  
BIEP (Bilateral International Exchange Program)**

**for graduate students, up to 3 month**



# HIGHLIGHTS: underground activities

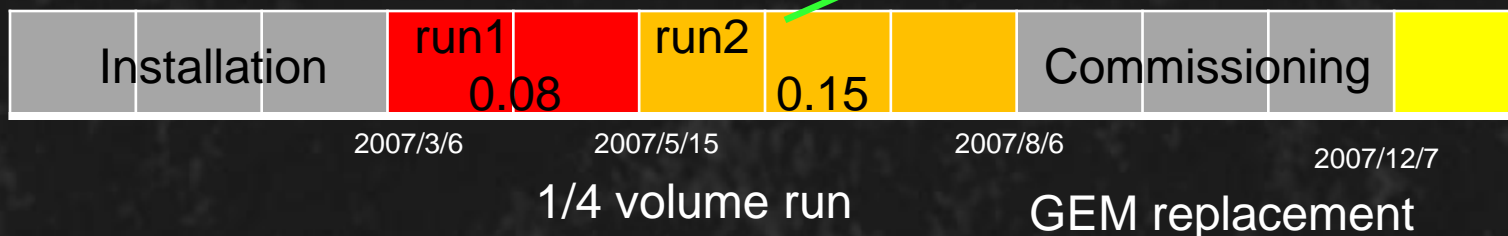


# Underground log (NEWAGE-0.3a at Kamioka)

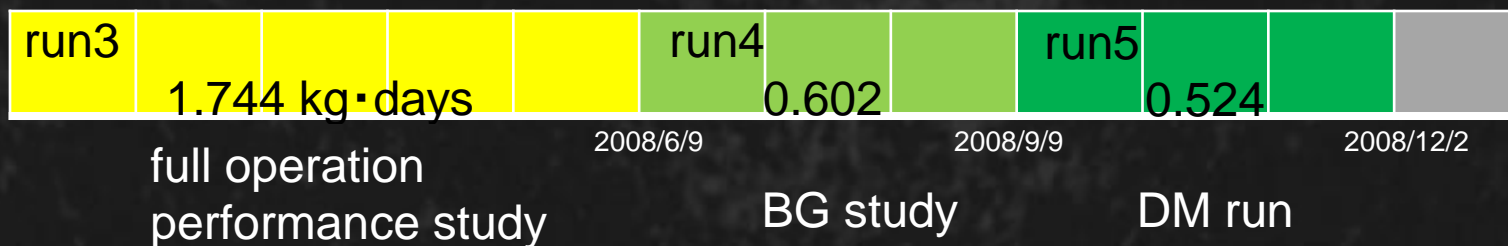
run ID  
exposure(kg·days)



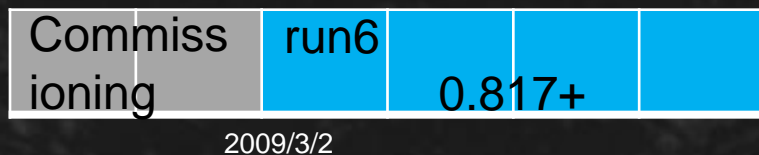
2007



2008



2009



gas circulation  
system installation

total exposure  
3.917 kg·days

# (NEWAGE-0.3a at Kamioka)

run ID  
exposure (kg·day)



## HIGHLIGHTS: Latest Dark Matter Run

2007



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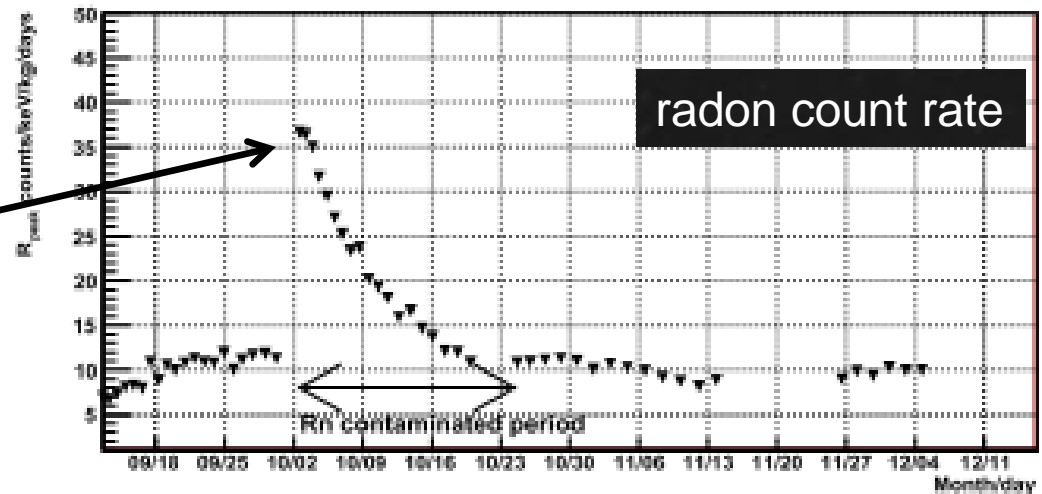
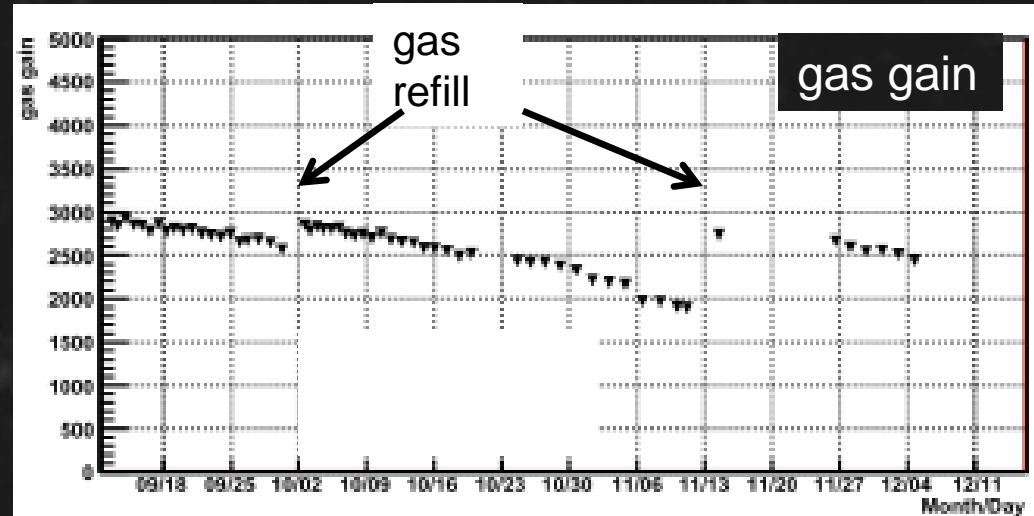
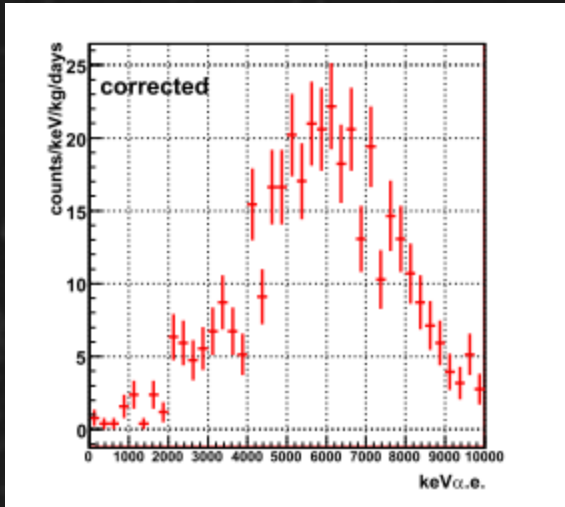


2009



# ● RUN5 results①: stability

- gas gain 3000  $\Rightarrow$  2000 in one month  $\Rightarrow$  refilled with fresh gas
- radon rate ( $\sim 6\text{MeV}$ )



We used a gas tube exposed to the mine air...

# RUN5 results②

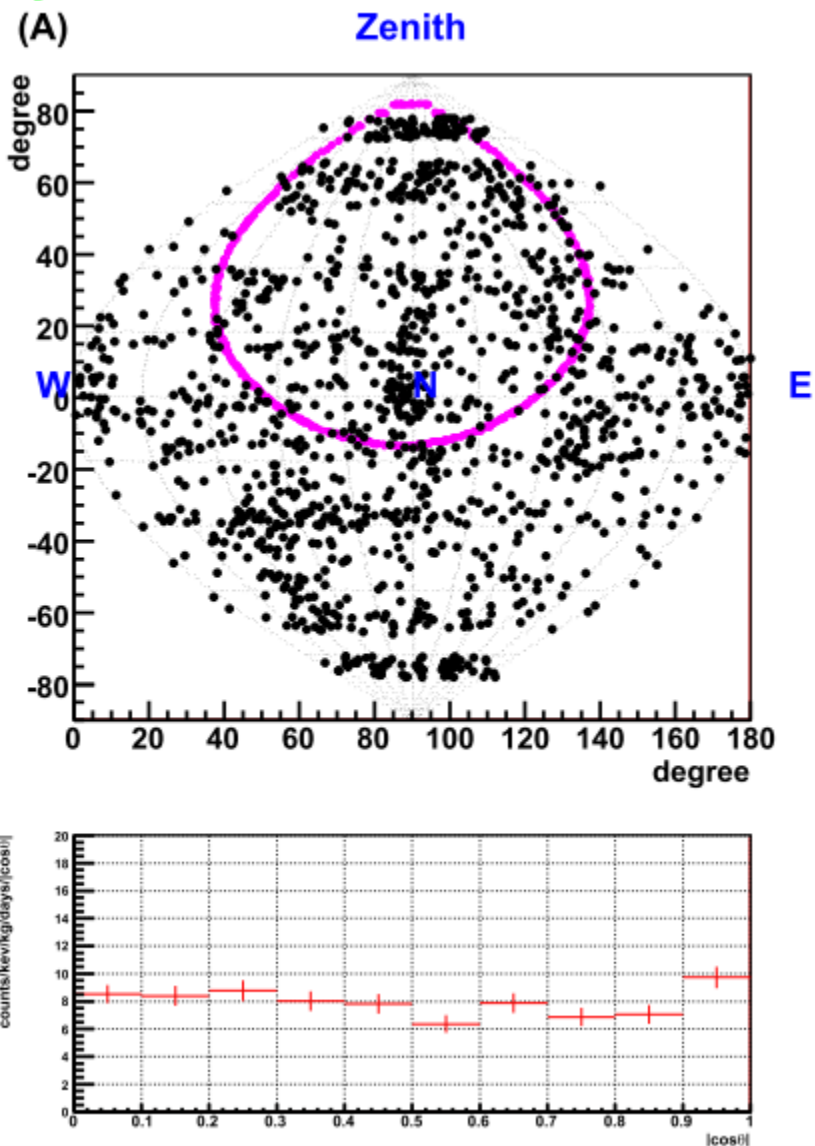
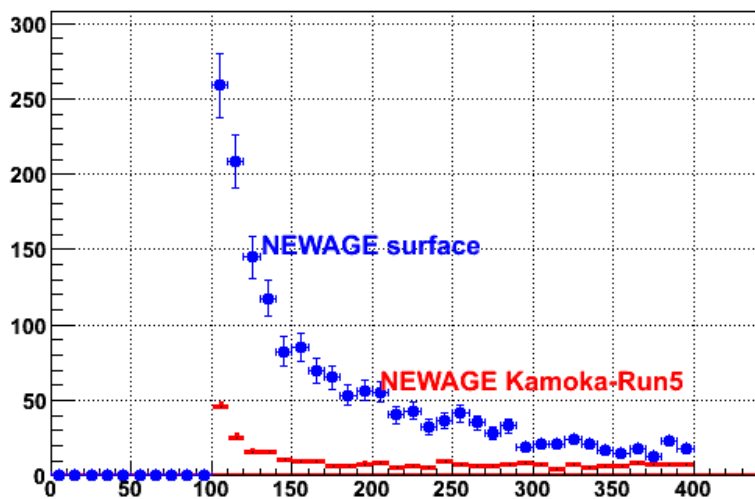
● exposure 0.524 kg·days

● spectrum

1/5 rate of the surface run

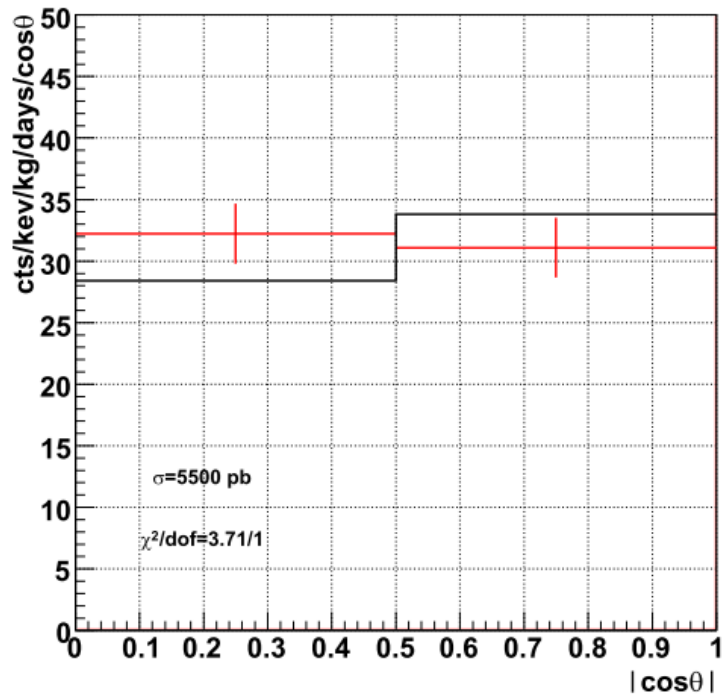
● sky map

flat  $\cos\theta$  distribution

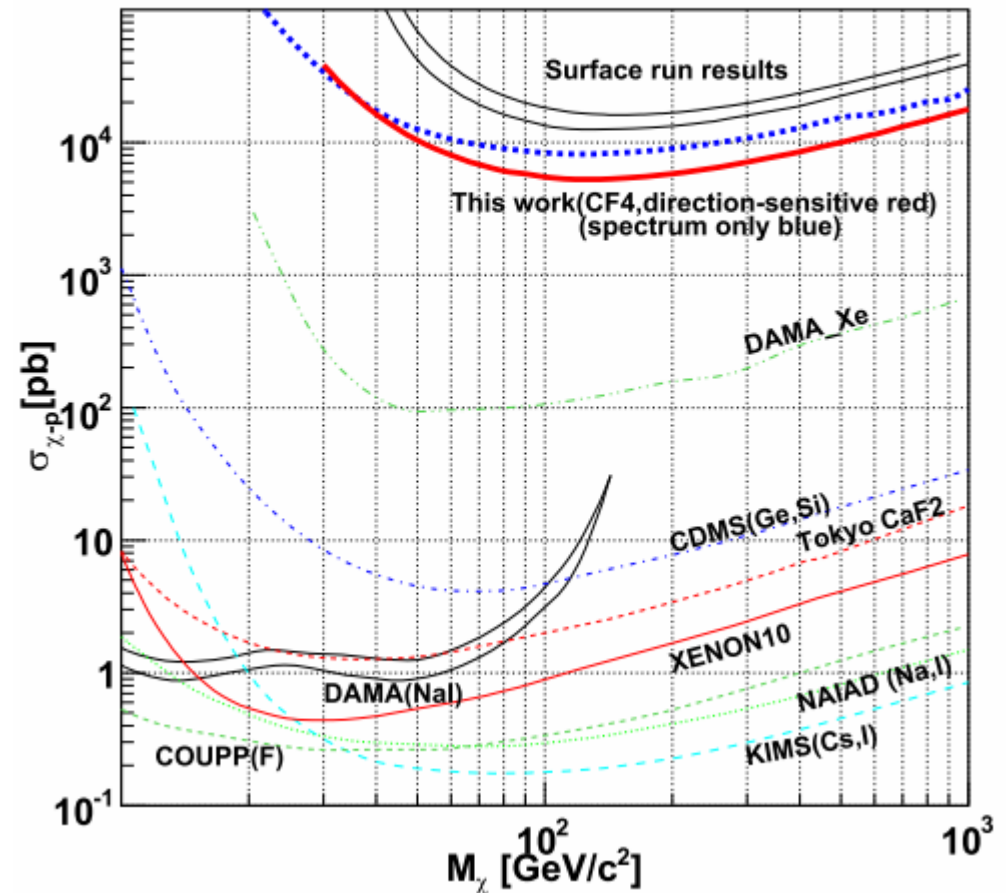


# RUN5 results③

- poor statistics: 2bin analysis
- new limits 5400pb for 150GeV



SD 90% C.L. upper limits and allowed region



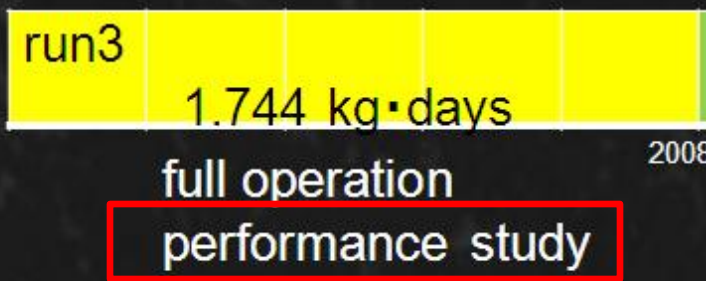
(NEWAGE-0.3a at Kamioka)



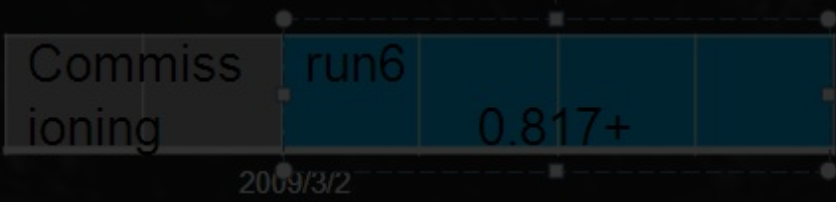
# HIGHLIGHTS: angular resolution measurement

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2008



2009

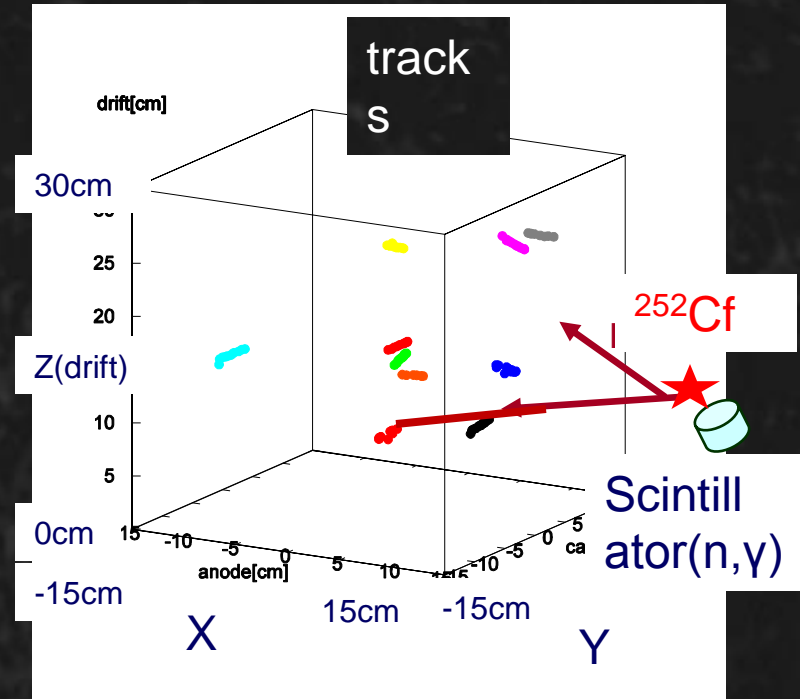
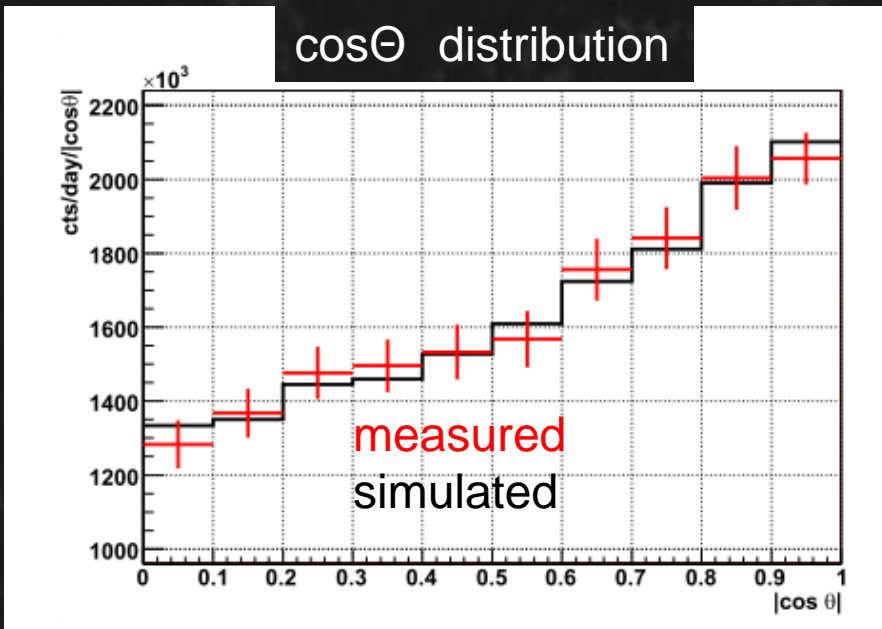


total exposure  
3.918 kg·day



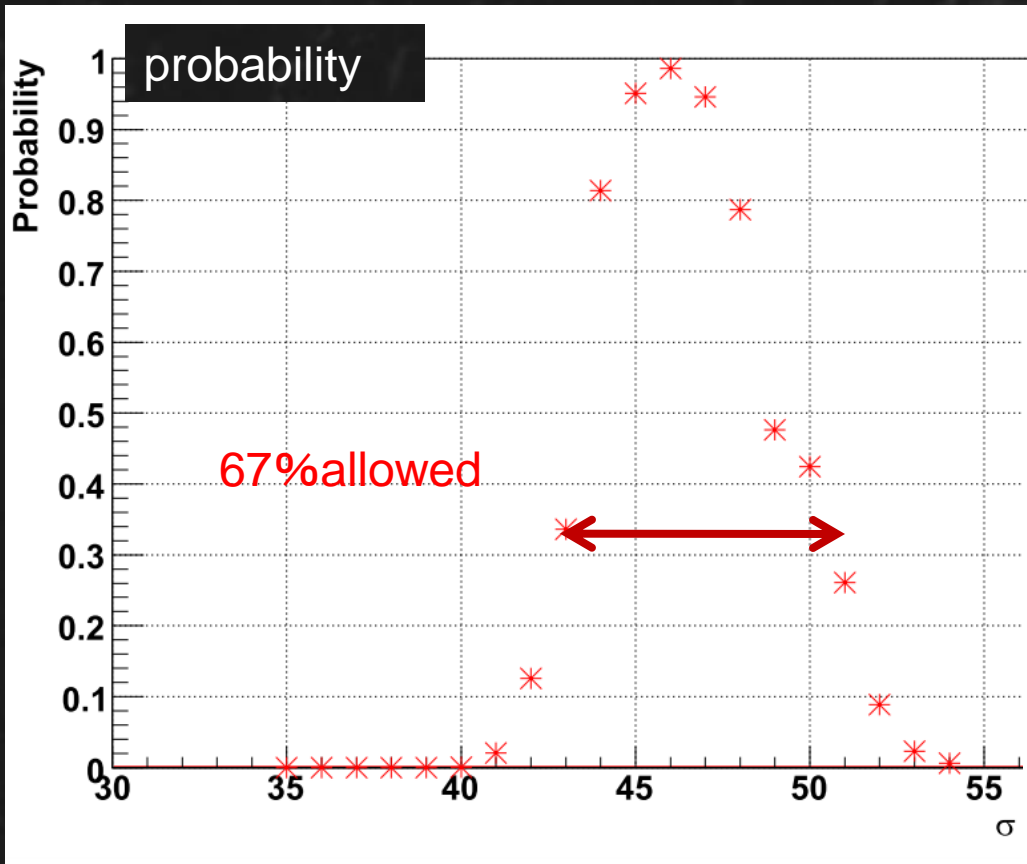
# Methods

- $^{252}\text{Cf}$  + trigger scintillator
- tracks with an absolute  $z$
- measure recoil angle  $\theta$
- compare  $\theta$  distribution

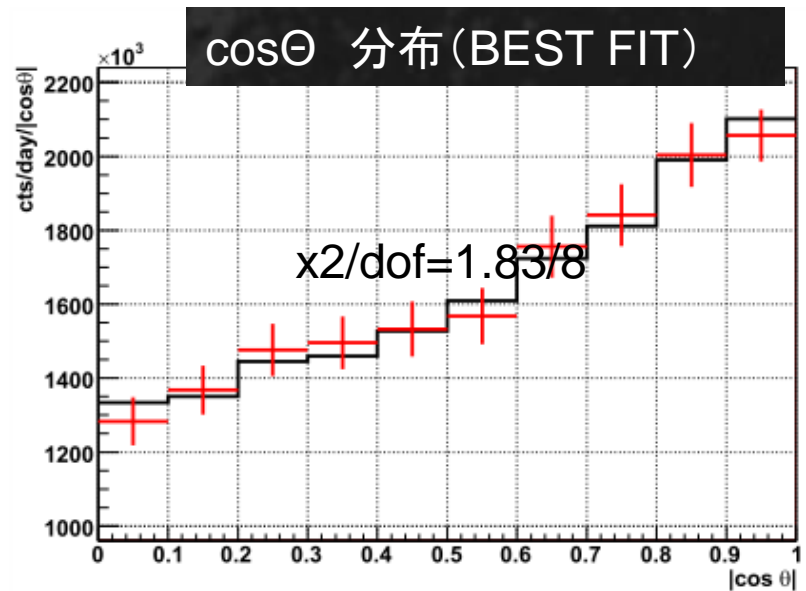
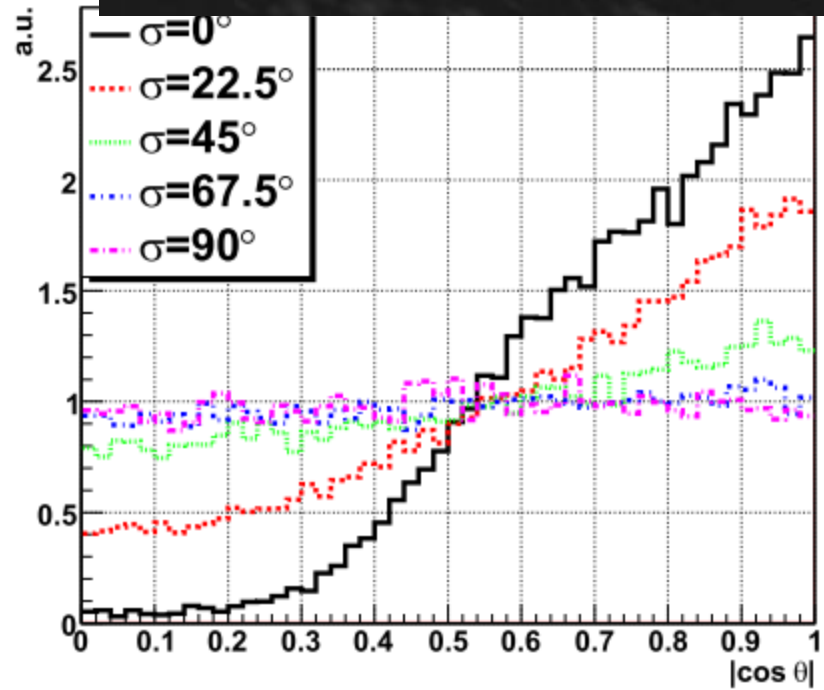


# analysis

- 分解能 $\sigma$ をふって、 $\cos\theta$ 分
- $\chi^2$  tests

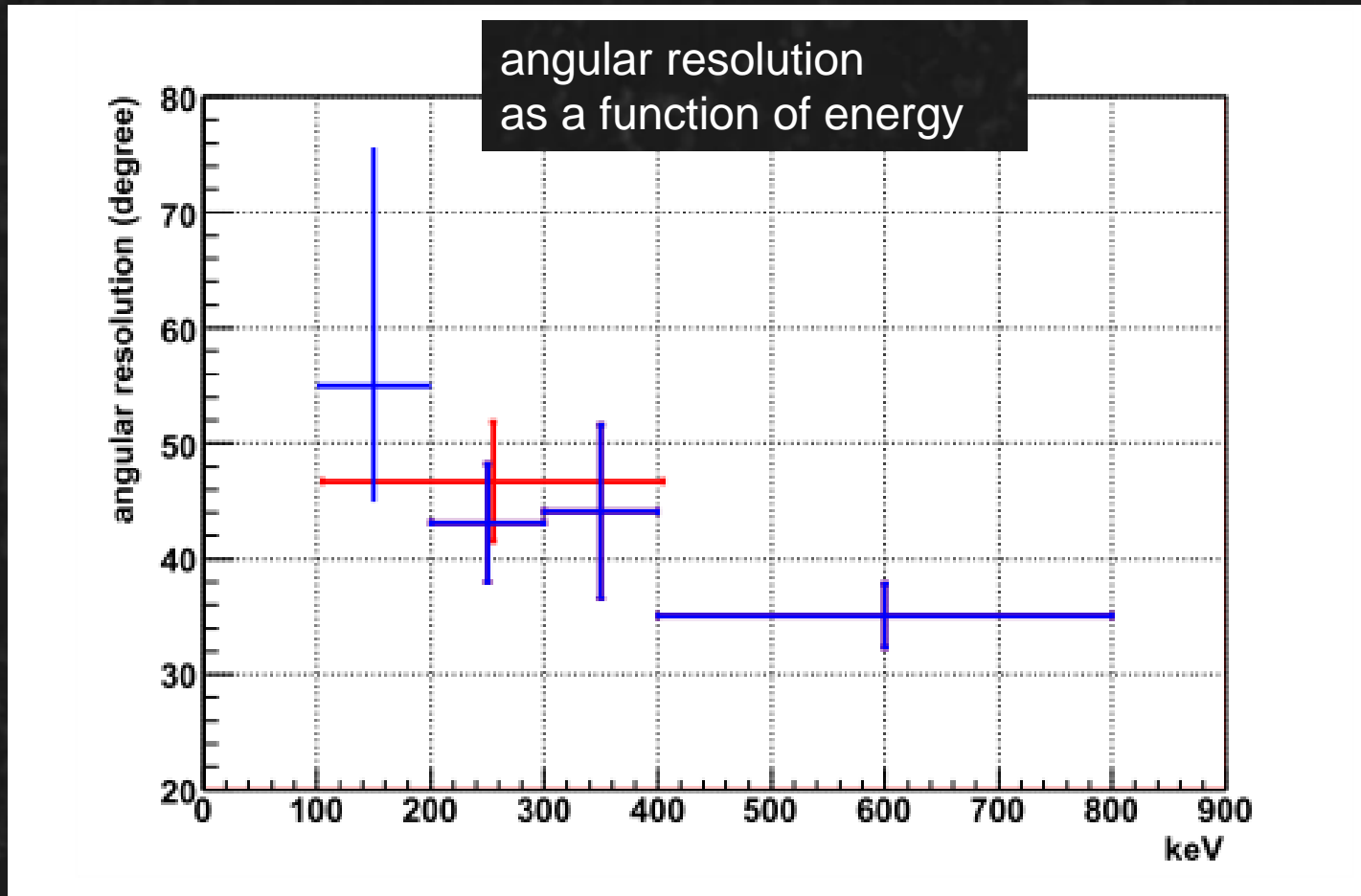


$\cos\Theta$  distributions (simulated)



## results

- $46 \pm 3^\circ$  (100-400keV)
- would be improved with lower pressure gas



# (NEWAGE-0.3a at Kamioka)



run ID

exposure(kg·days)

## HIGHLIGHTS: Background Studies

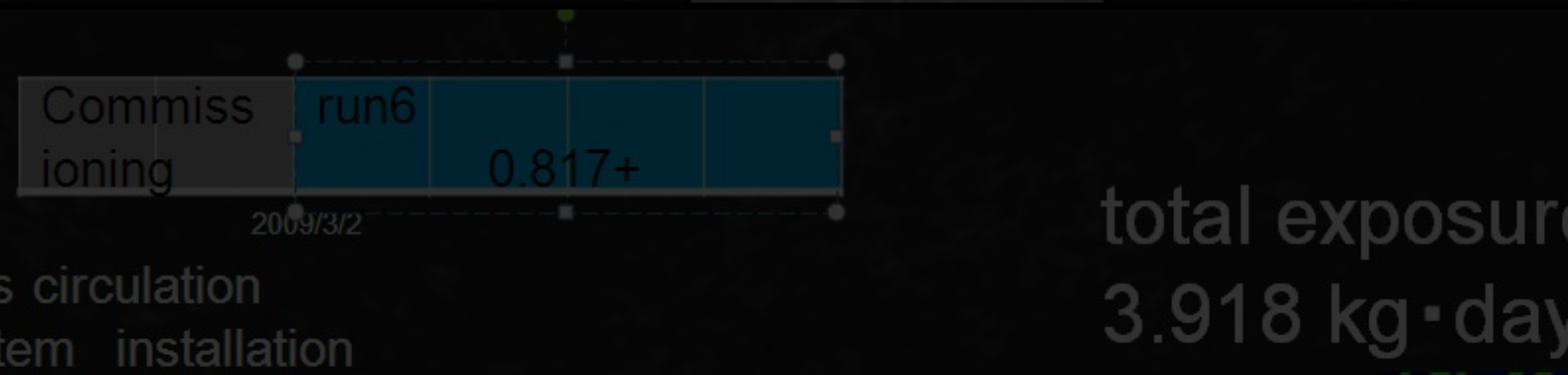
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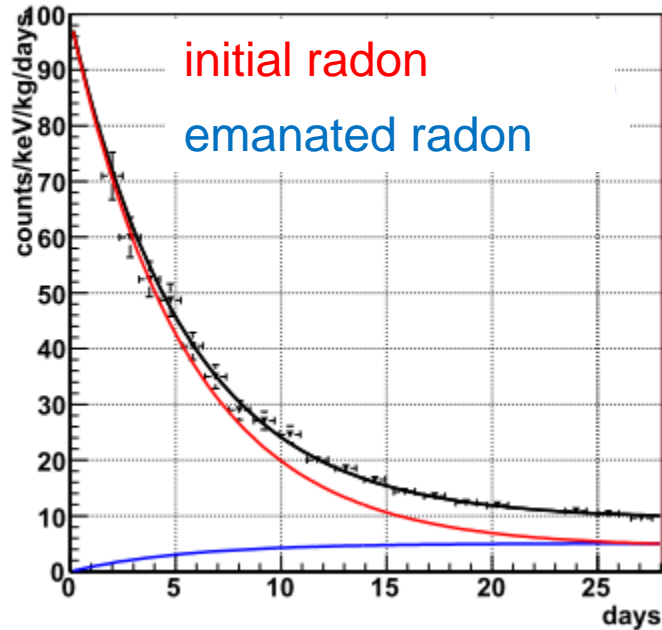
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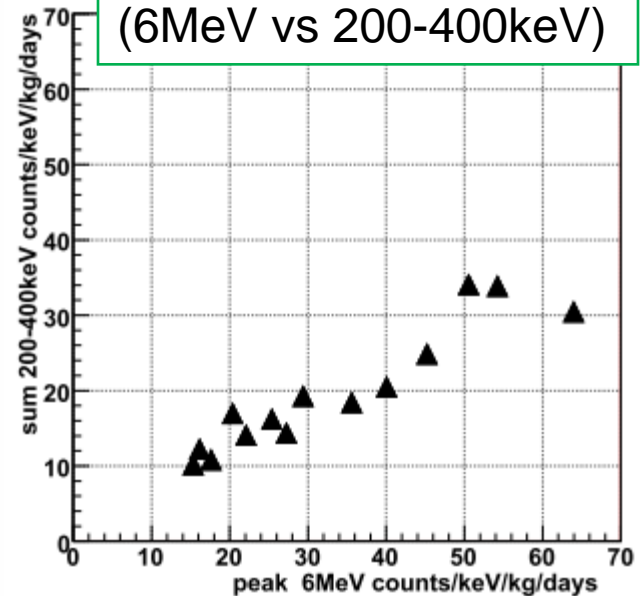
# Radon contribution study (run4)

- exposed the TMP mine air
- radon-rich run

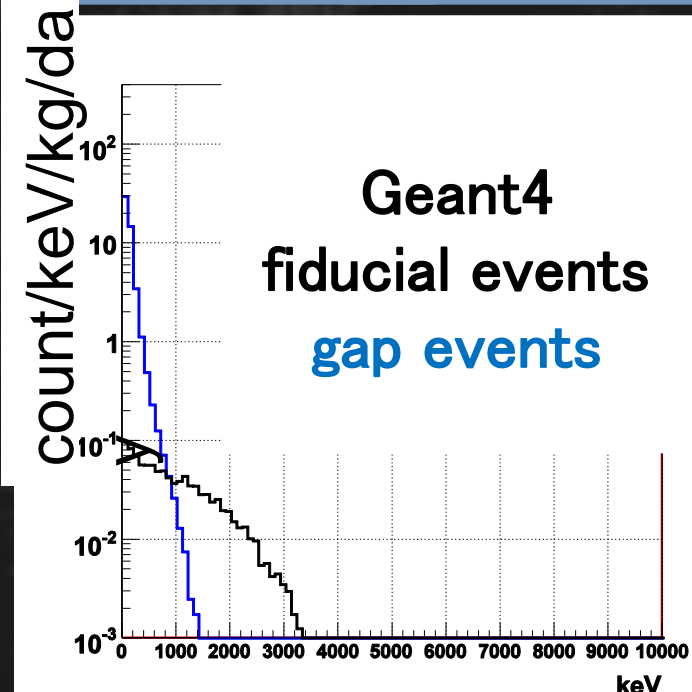
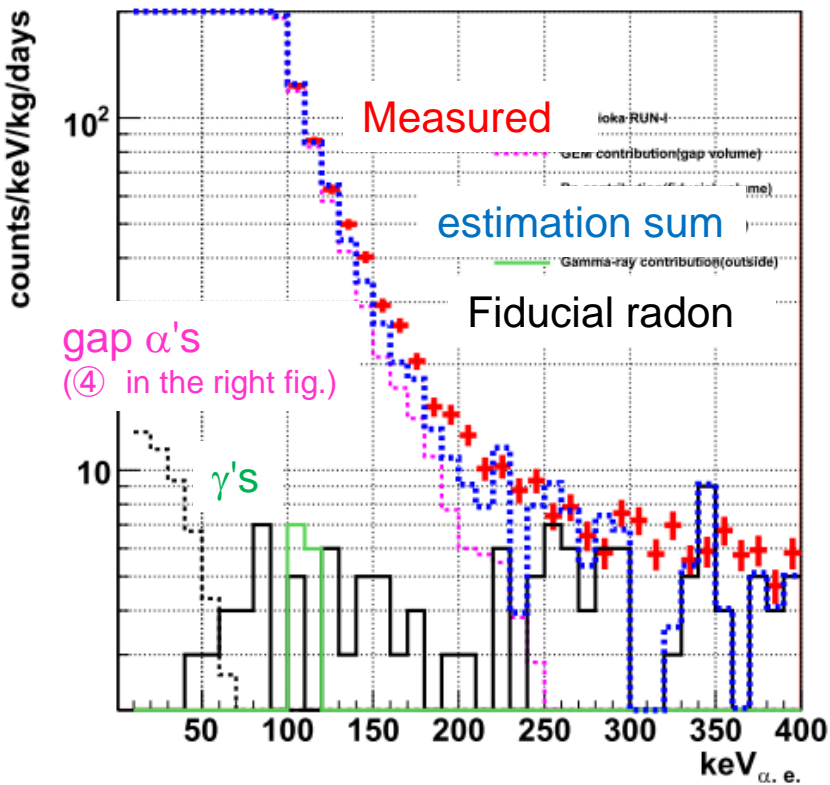
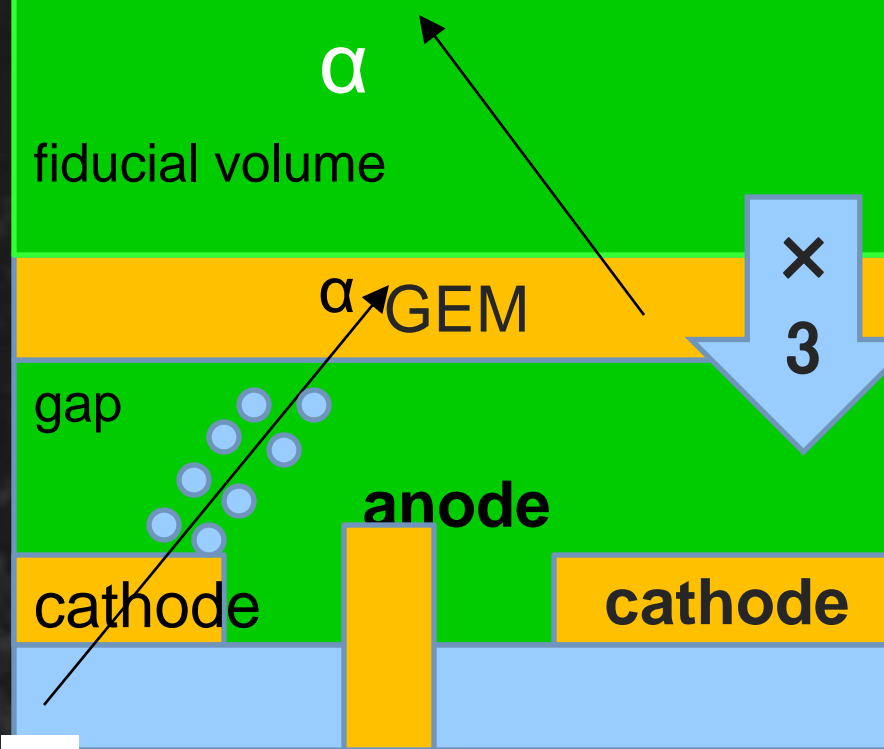
radon rate (~6MeV)



correlation  
(6MeV vs 200-400keV)



- Background budgets  
gap  $\alpha$ 's contribute most



Sensitive  
P-search  
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# Material screening (Kyoto)

## Radon detector (NEWAGE RD-1)



### SPEC

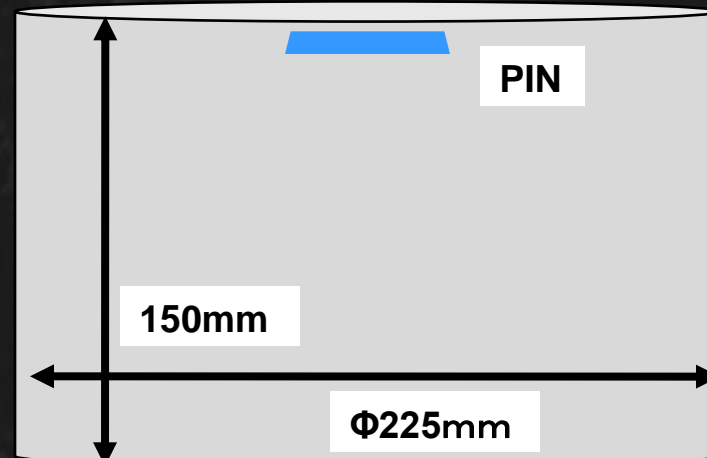
SUS 304 vessel 3mm-thick  
electric polished

Windowless PIN photo-diode  
( $10 \times 10\text{mm}^2$  S3590-02)

Typical operation

-375V  $\text{Po}^+$  capture / 9V reverse-bias

DAQ LPC-320901 (PCI-bus 40MHz FADC)



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# NEWAGE RD-1 results (preliminary)

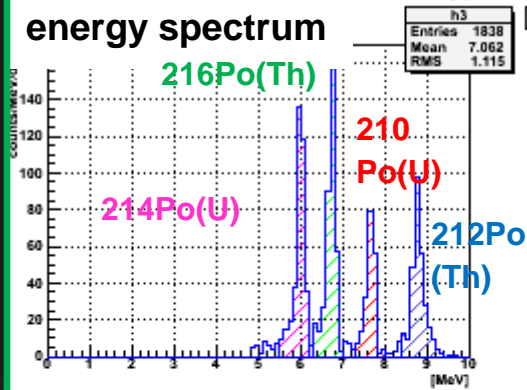
## TEST SOURCE

(calibration to be done somehow...)

Kamioka rock

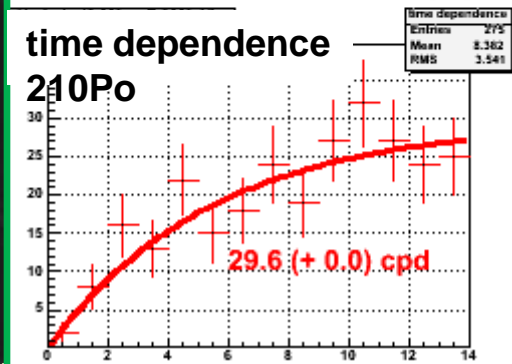


energy spectrum

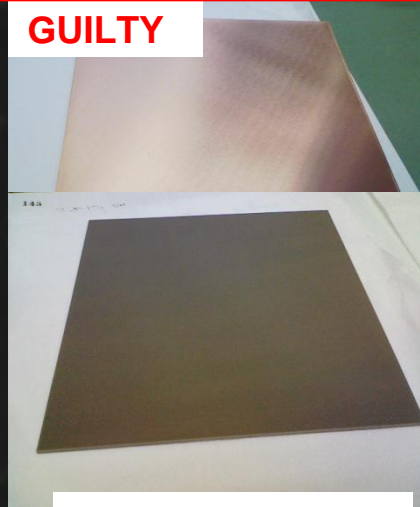


time dependence

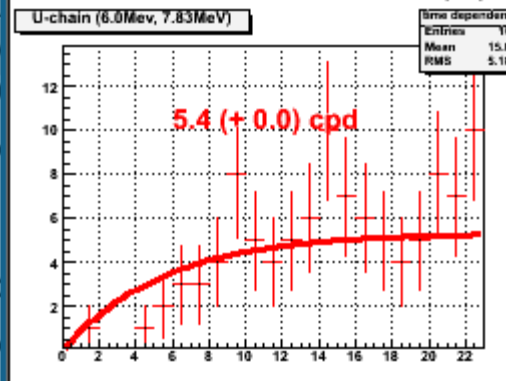
$^{210}\text{Po}$



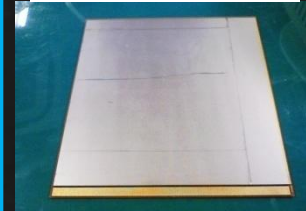
## GUILTY



Fluoro-plastic for TPC board

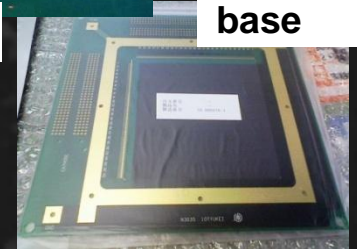


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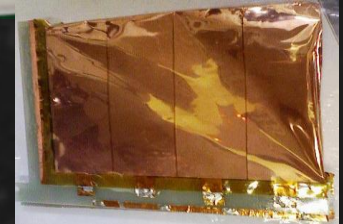
$\mu$ -PIC

$\mu$ -PIC base



resisters

GEMs



teflon-plates



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# (NEWAGE-0.3a at Kamioka)

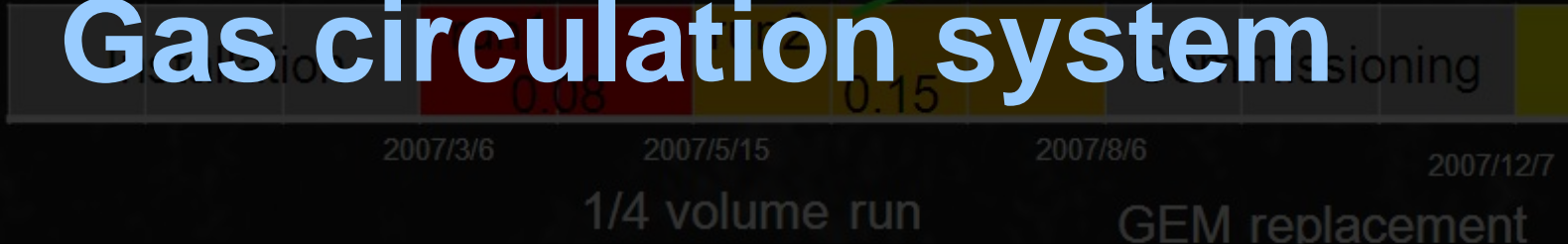


run ID  
exposure (kg·days)

## HIGHLIGHTS:

# Gas circulation system

2007



2008



2009



gas circulation system installation

total exposure  
3.918 kg·day

# Gas system upgrade

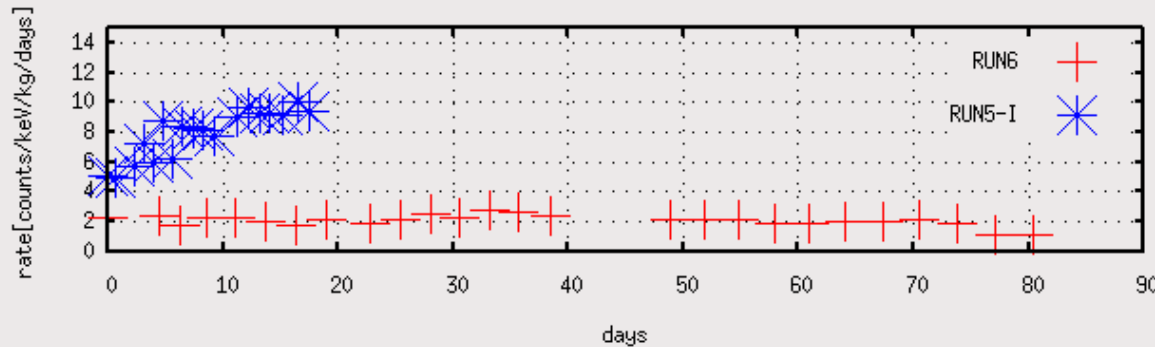
RUN6 ~

~ RUN5

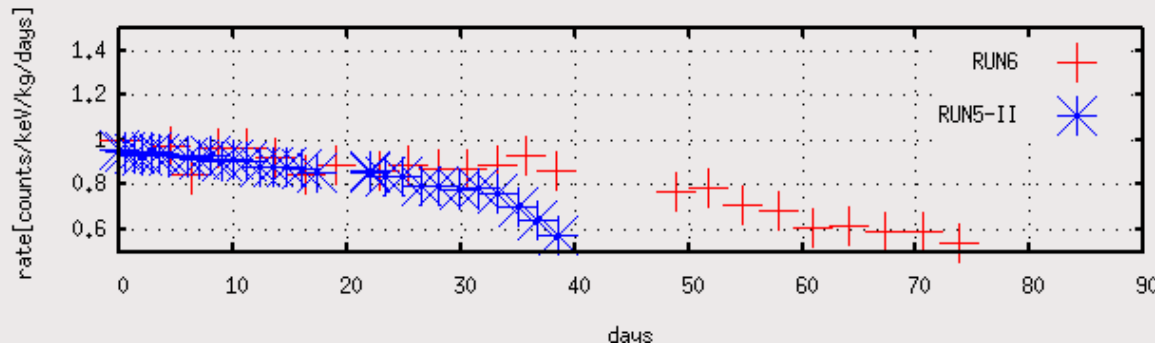
sealed vessel  
getter pump  
(SAES GETTER C400-2DSK)  
no circulation

sealed vessel  
getter pump  
(SAES GETTER C400-2DSK)  
circulation  
(Teflon bellows pump)  
charcoal filter ~100g  
(TSURUMICOAL 2GS)

Radon rate(gain corrected)



cal correction

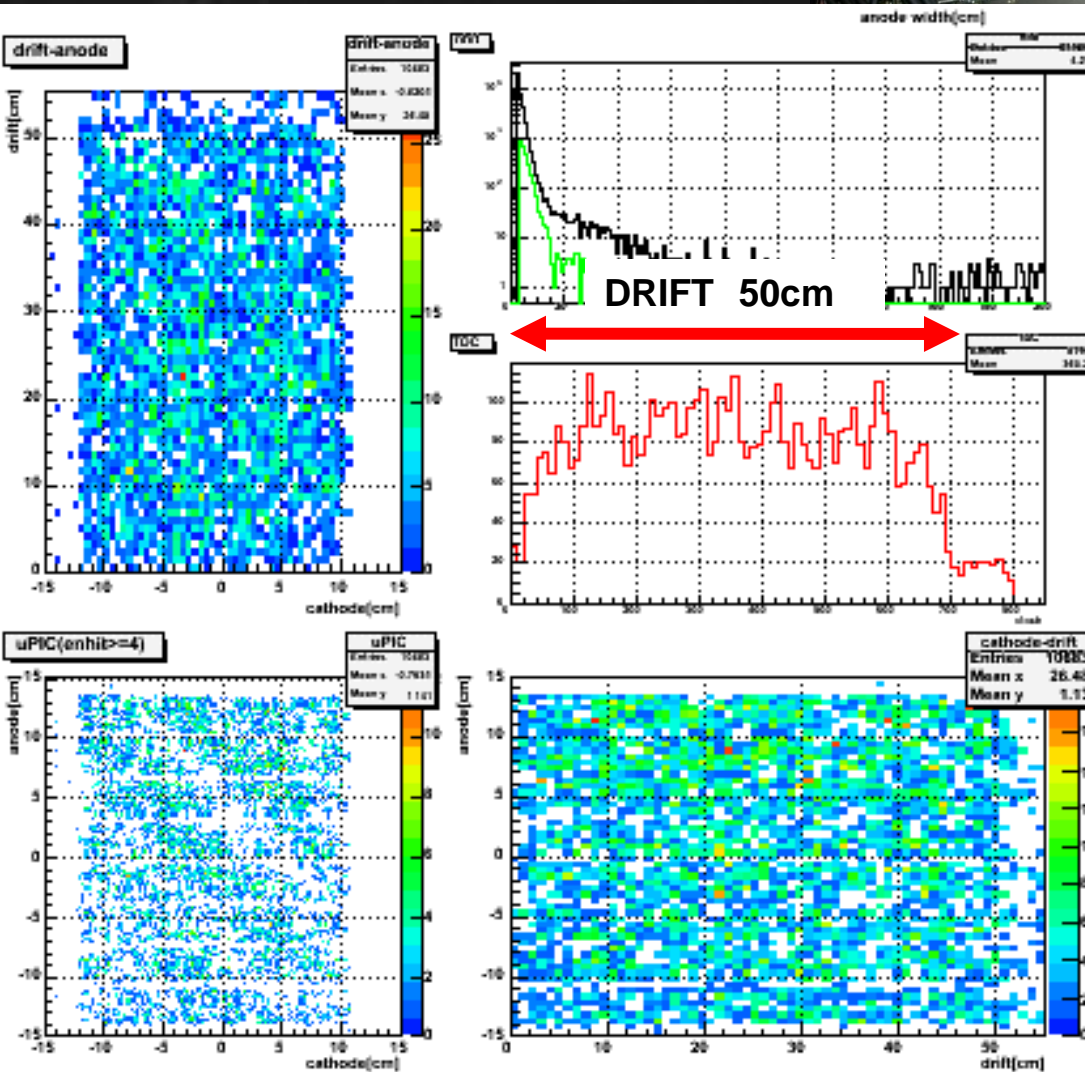
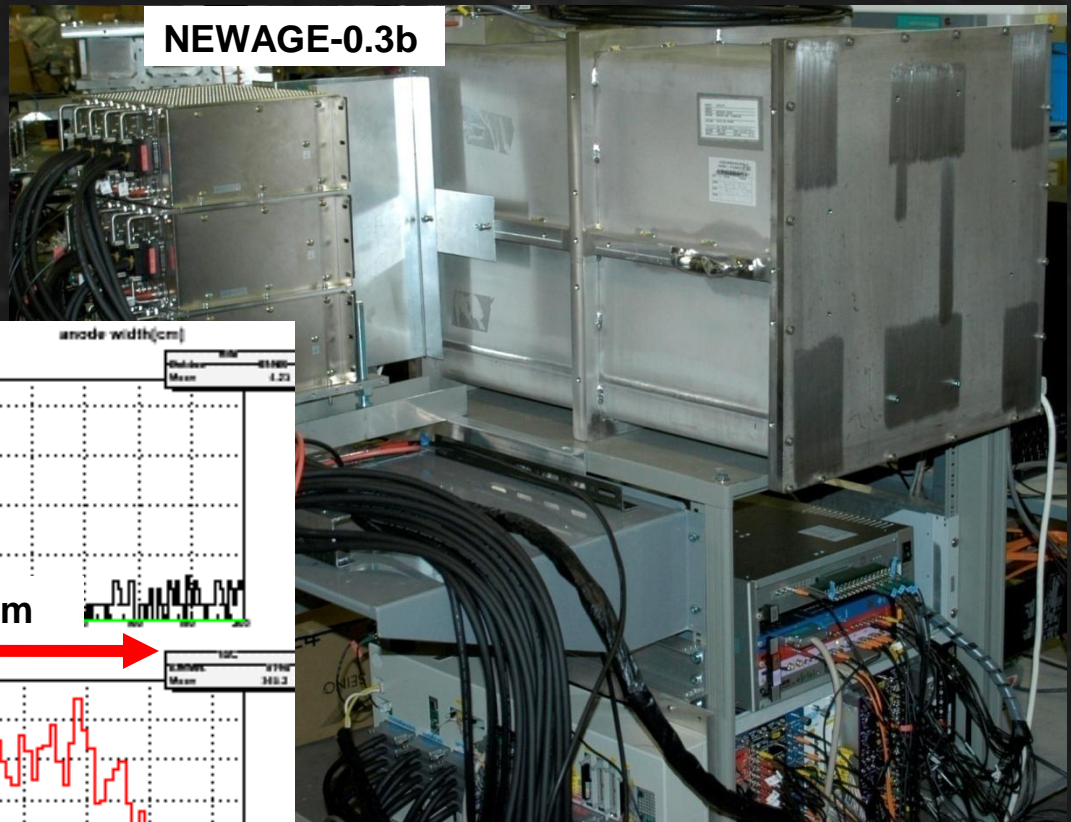


● radon rate  
× 1/5 @day10

● gain stability  
× 2

# TO THE FUTRUE

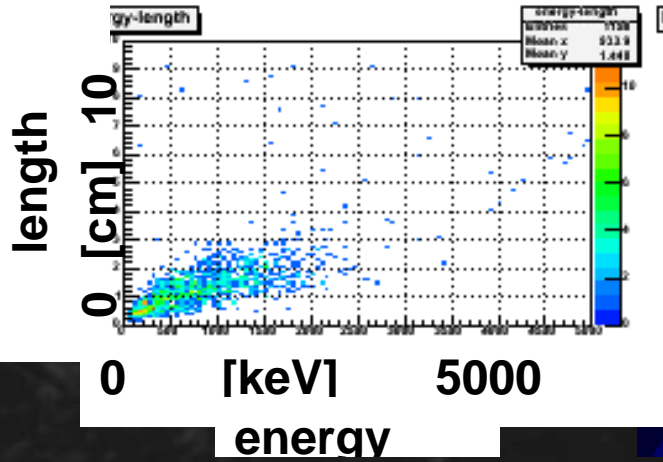
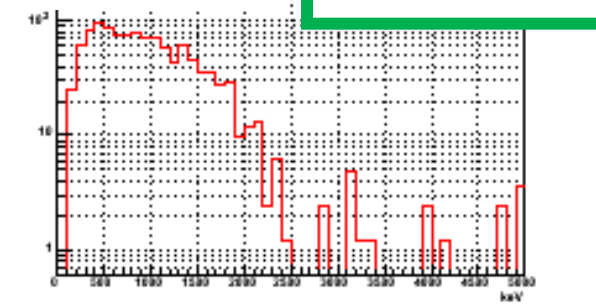
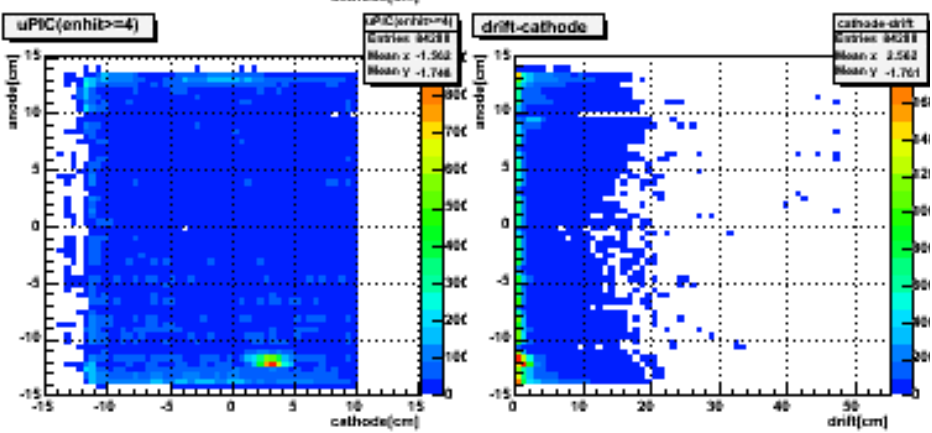
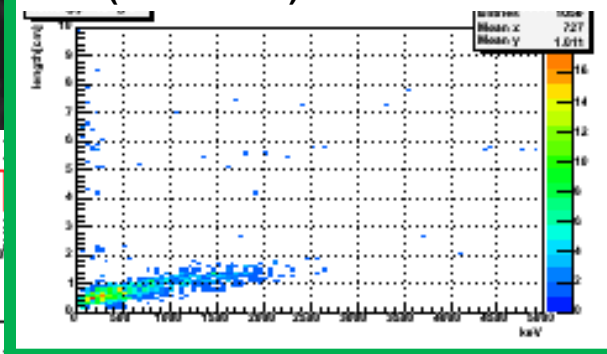
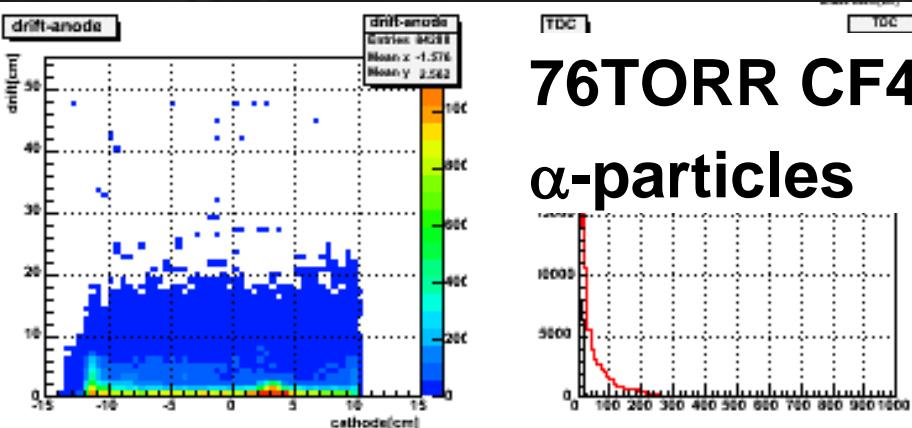
- **DRIFT 50cm**
- (CF4 152 torr)



irradiated with neutrons  
 @1m distance (252Cf)  
 uniform in 50cm drift  
 angular resolution:  
 to be measured

- CF4 76torr operation  
(designed value 30torr)

152torr  
track length vs energy  
(same scale)



- parameter optimization  $\Rightarrow$  underground run

Direction Sensitive

# SUMMARY

- **NEWAGE-0.3a: 2years' underground measurement total exposure 3.917 kg·days**
  - New limits / BG studies / stability improvement
- **R&D s in Kyoto**
  - material screening (NEWAGE-RD1)
  - NEWAGE-0.3b
- **Scaling up issues, electronics: tomorrow**

