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# Future Directional DD (gas) and Migdal Detection

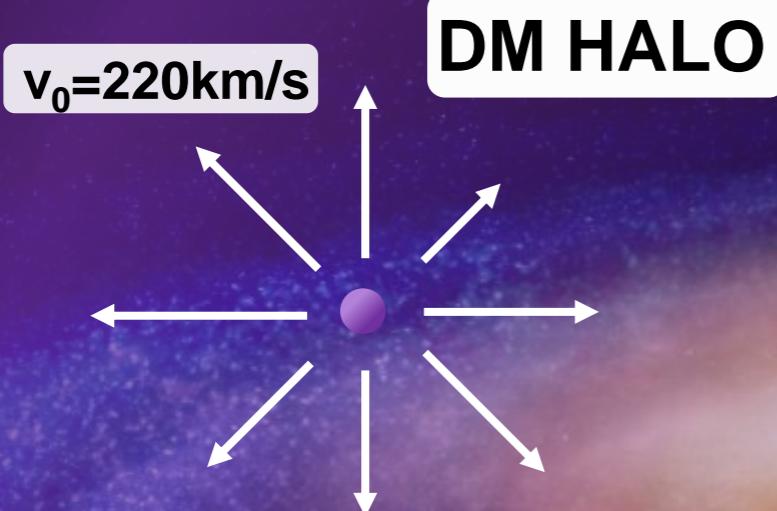
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- DDD:Overview
- DDD:Activities
- Migdal
- Summary

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# “CYGNUS” concept



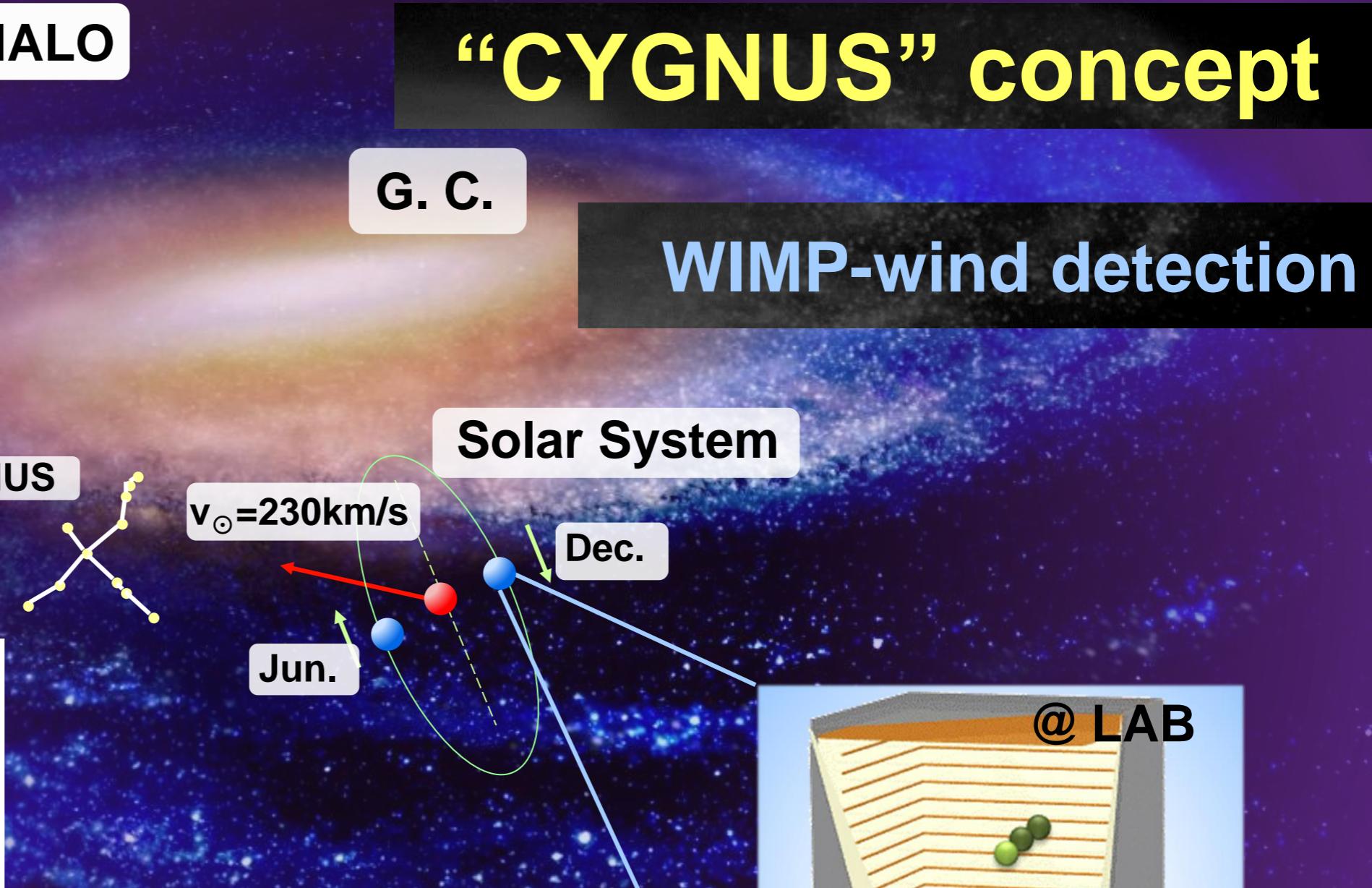
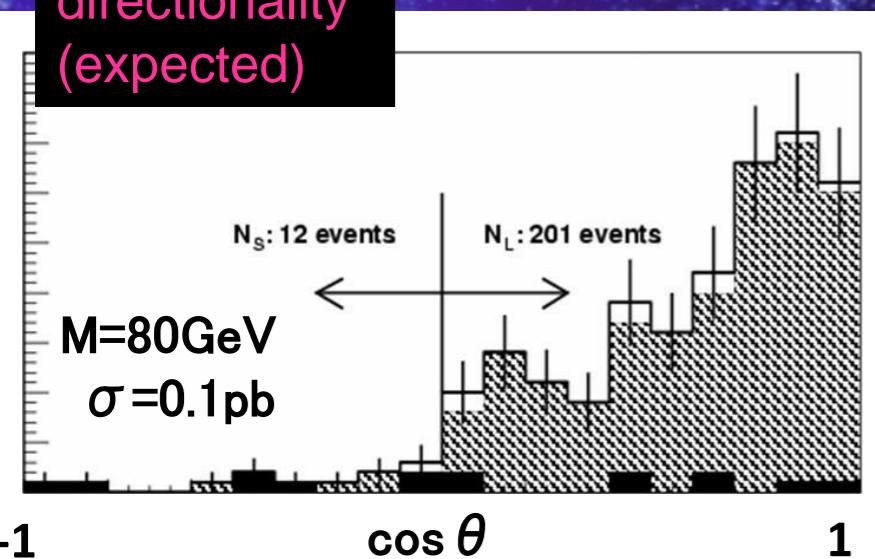
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WIMP-wind detection

CYGNUS

Solar System

directionality  
(expected)



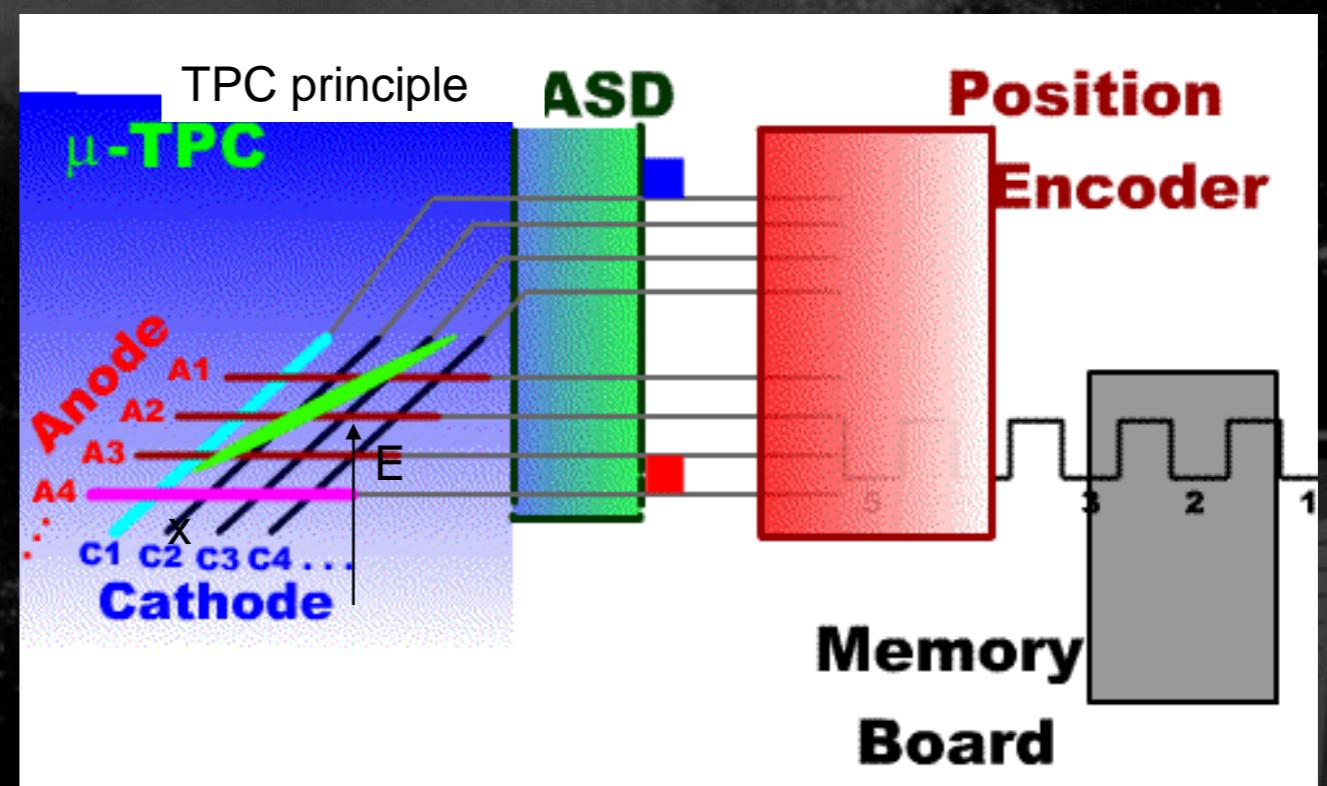
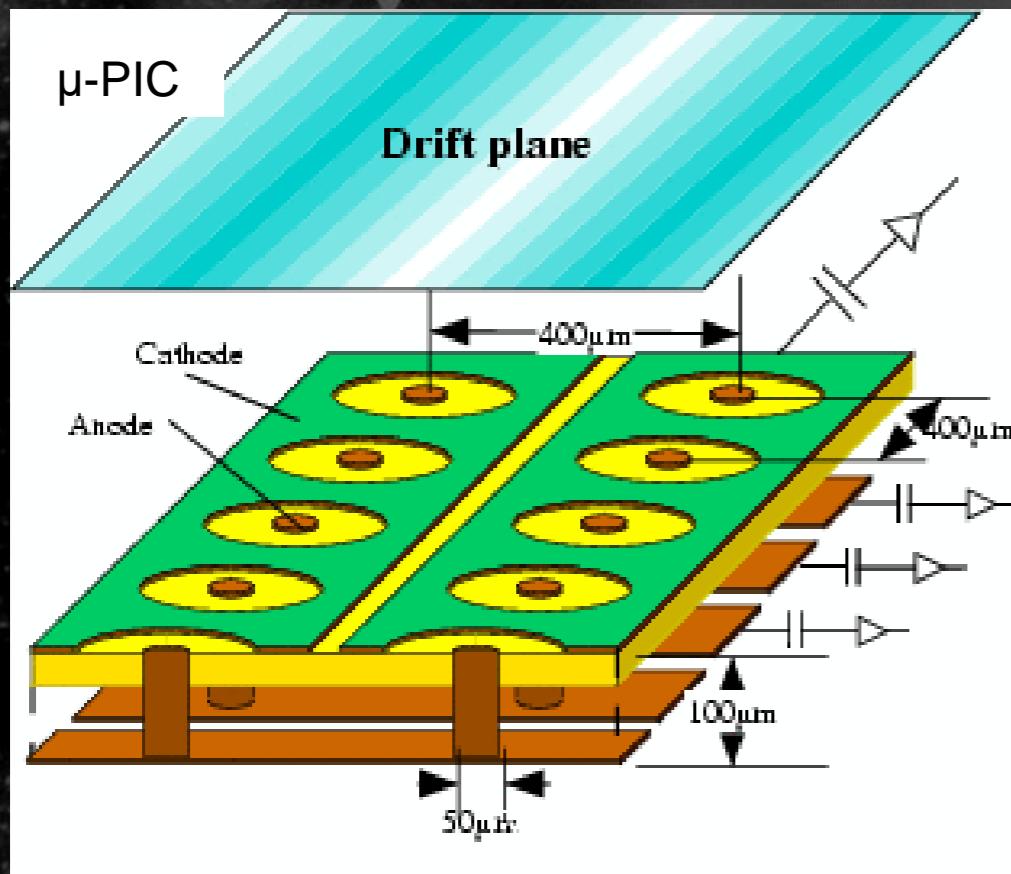
detector:

low pressure gas ← this talk  
emulsions ← next talk  
diamond detectors, scintillators...

# • Key technology: Gaseous Time Projection Chamber

- 2-dimensional image: Micro Patterned Gaseous Detector (MPGD)
- timing information: 3<sup>rd</sup> dimension
- realtime 3-dimensional tracking

MPGD:  
GEM, micromegas,  $\mu$ -PIC



- drawback: small mass  $O(\text{kg}) / \text{m}^3$

# Physics cases for directional TPCs as a function of exposure

## THIS TALK

***N = volume in  
 $m^3$  assuming 1  
atm operation***

***Many interesting  
physics opportunities  
already at relatively  
small scale***





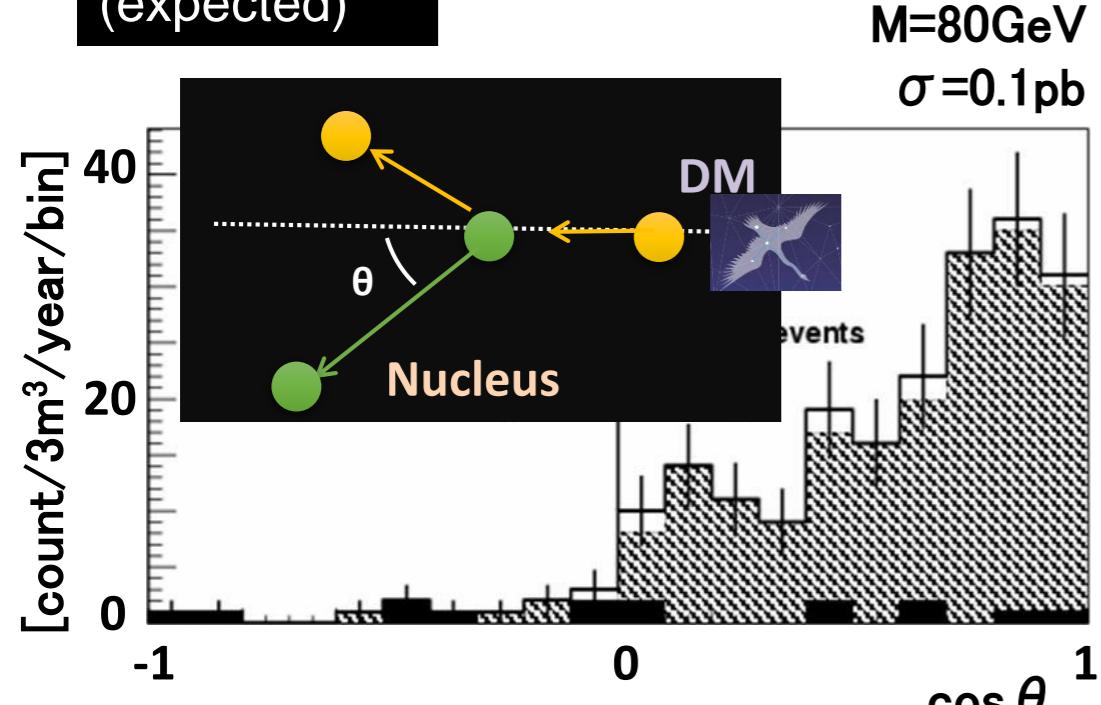
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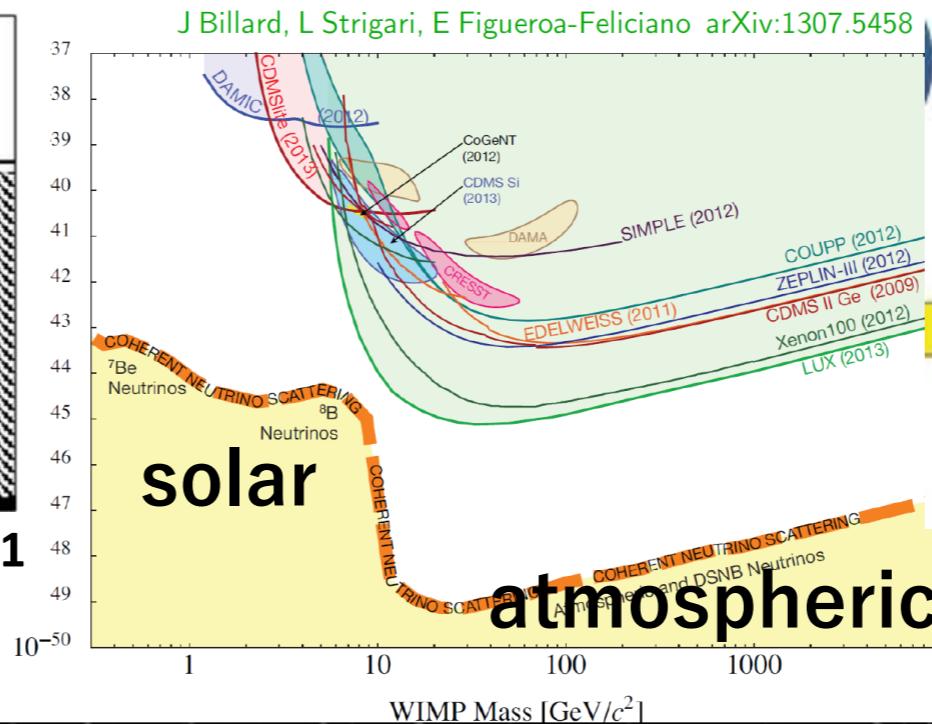
# Directional Detection

- Clear Discovery even with the neutrino BG + study the nature of DM after discovery

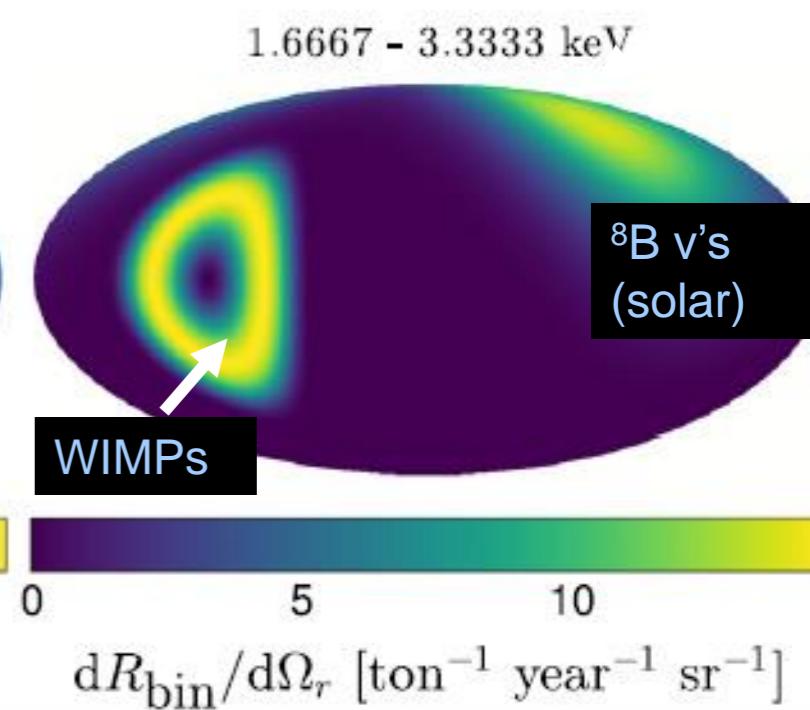
directionality  
(expected)



neutrino floor



w/ neutrino BG  
(expected)



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# CYGNUS: community

- 7 × bi-annual workshops (2007-)

- CYGNUS 2017 Xichang, Sichuan, China June 13 - 16, 2017
- CYGNUS 2015 Occidental College, Los Angeles, California, USA June 2 - 4, 2015.
- CYGNUS 2013 Toyama, Japan June 10 - 12, 2013.
- CYGNUS 2011 Aussois, France June 7 - 10, 2011.
- CYGNUS 2009 Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA June 11 - 13, 2009.
- CYGNUS 2007 Boulby Underground Laboratory, Saltburn-by-the-Sea, Cleveland, UK July 22 - 24, 2007.

- proto-collaboration (2016-)

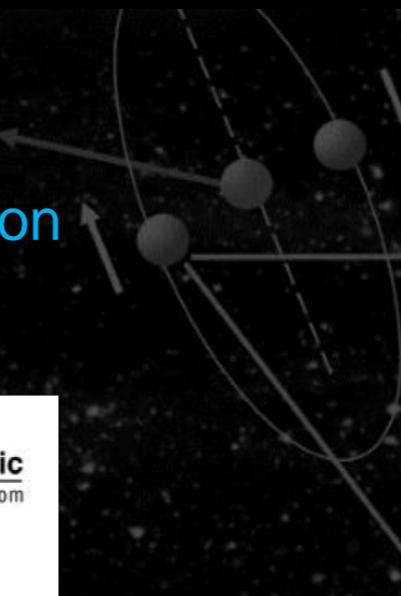
- >50 researchers
- discussion on-going for actual collaboration

- Joint papers

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THE CASE FOR A  
DIRECTIONAL DARK MATTER DETECTOR AND  
THE STATUS OF CURRENT EXPERIMENTAL EFFORTS



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Readout technologies for directional WIMP Dark Matter detection

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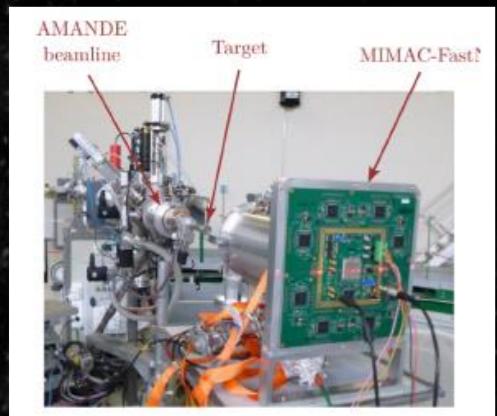
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# Gaseous TPC activities

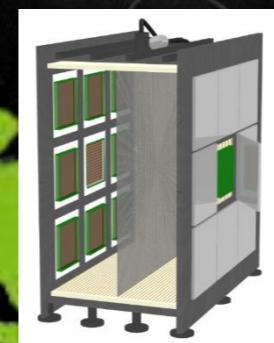
- gaseous TPCs: most-widely studied in the world



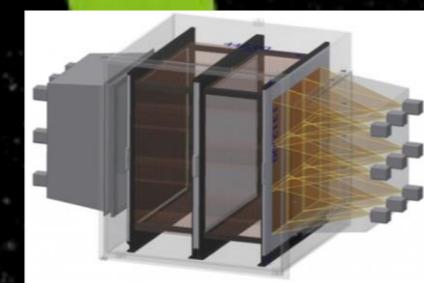
CYGNUS-10  
Boulby, UK  
 $10\text{m}^3$  He: $\text{SF}_6$   
GEM + wire readout



MIMAC  
Moderne, France  
 $\text{CF}_4+\text{CHF}_3$   
Strip readout

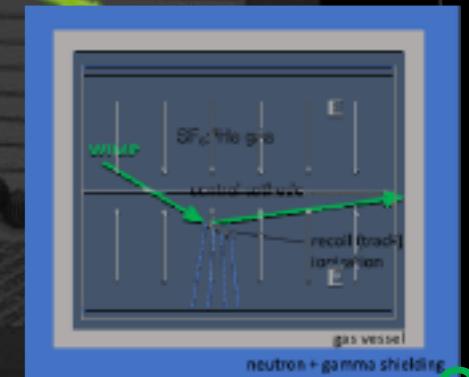


NEWAGE/CYGNUS-KM  
Kamioka, Japan  
 $\text{SF}_6 / \text{CF}_4$   
Strip readout



CYGNO-Initium  
Gran Sasso, Italy  
He  $\text{CF}_4$  ( $\text{SF}_6$ )  
sCMOS+PMT readout

CYGNUS-OZ  
Stawell, Australia  
R&D leading to  $1\text{ m}^3$   
Long-term plan  $10\text{ m}^3$



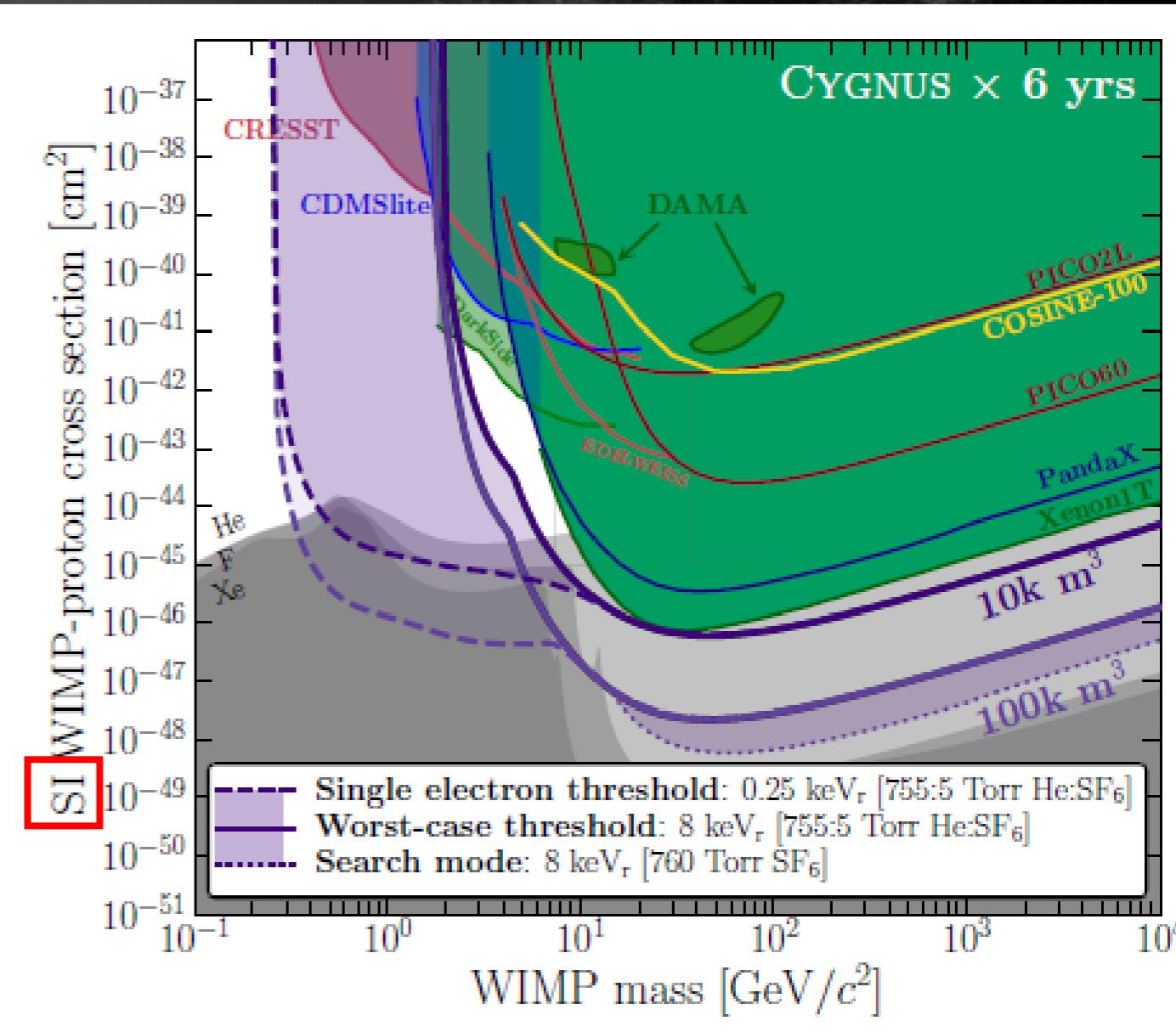
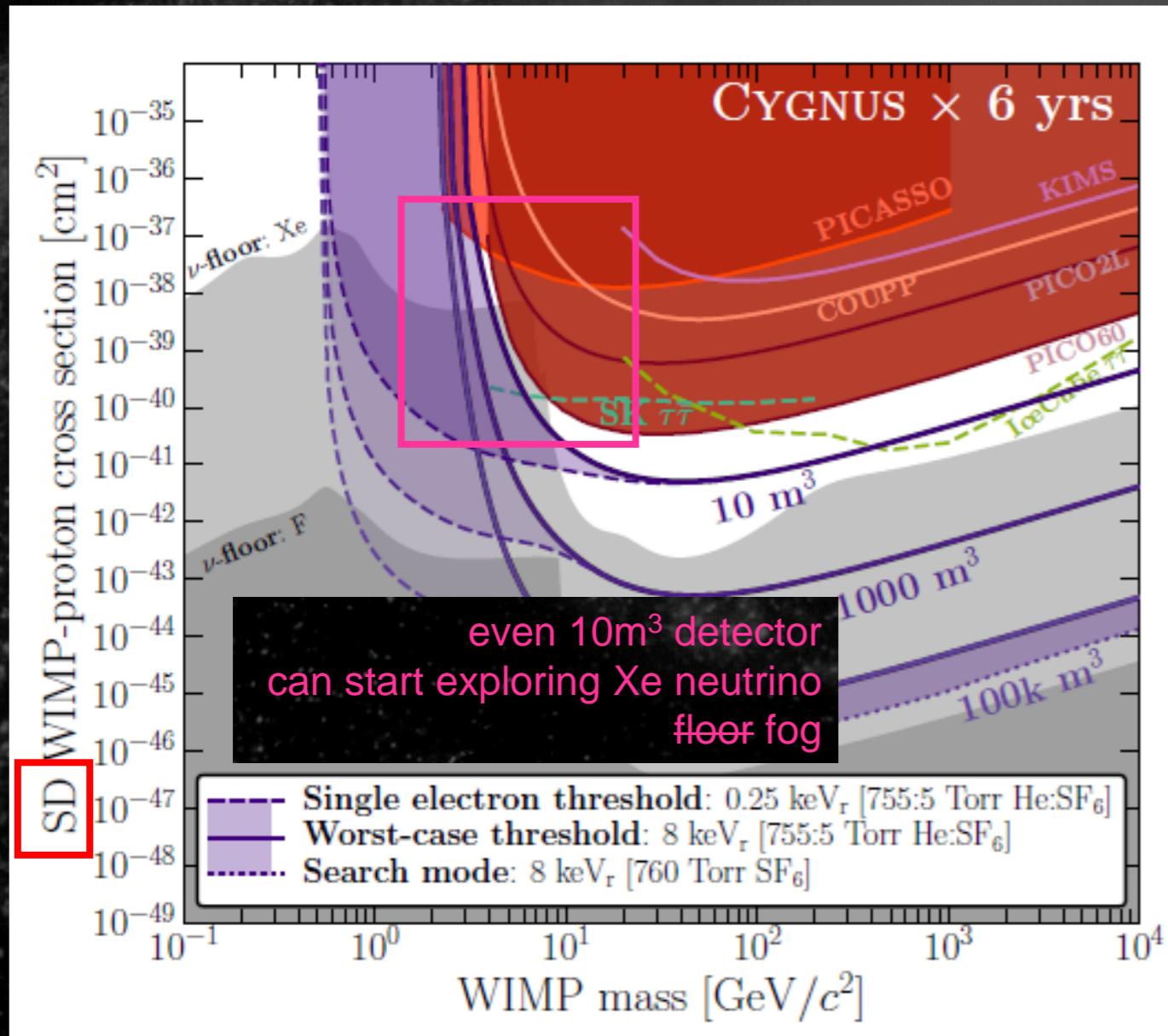
40cm



# CYGNUS: physics reaches

- Realistic simulation (strip readout)

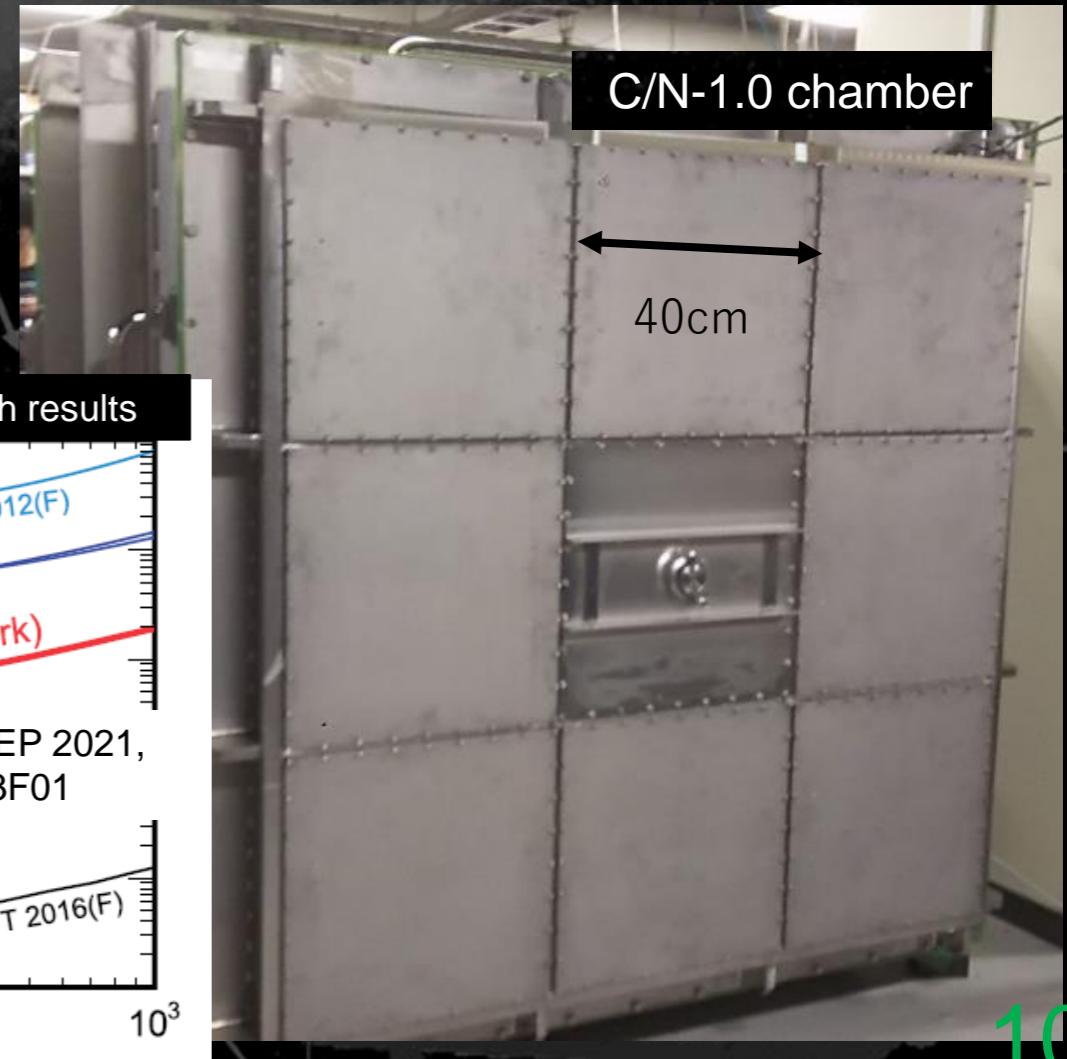
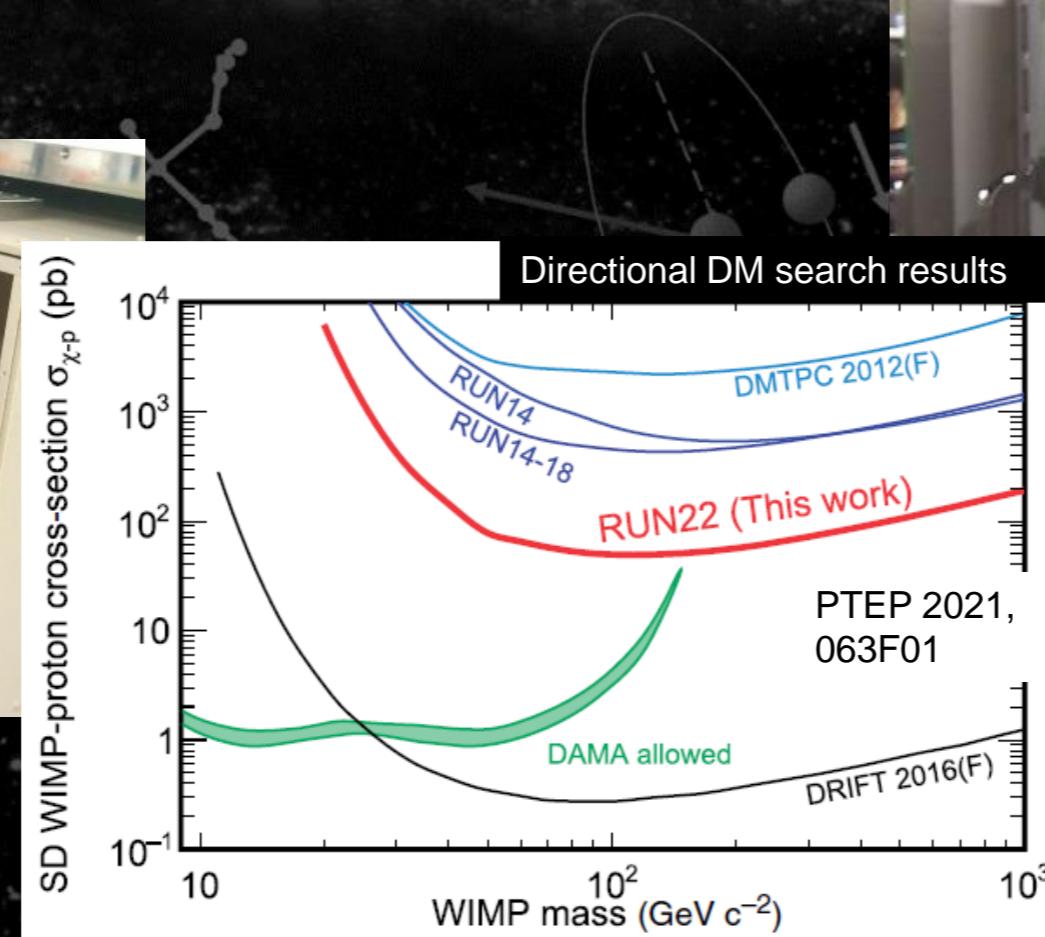
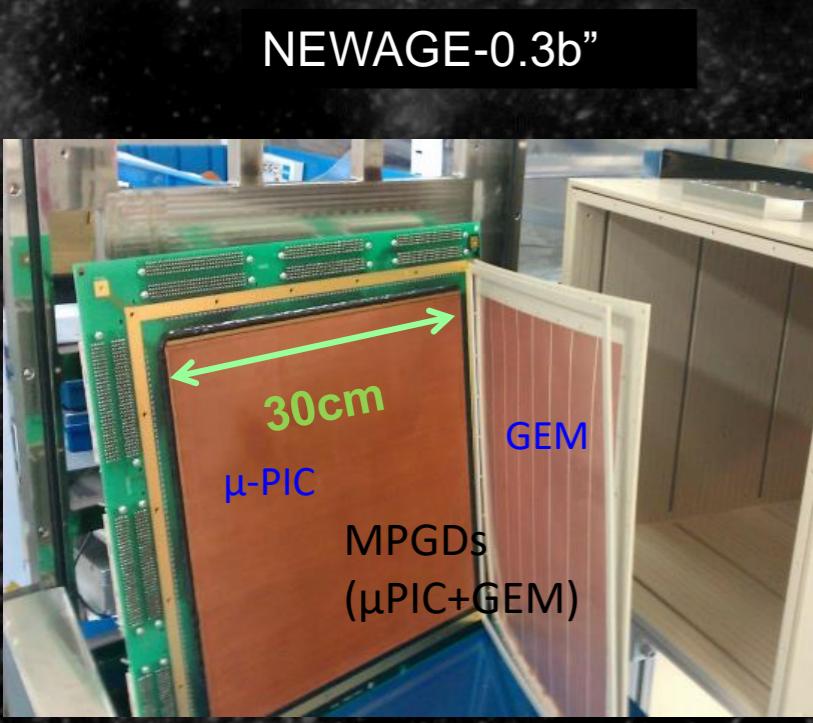
arXiv 2008.12587



# Japanese “CYGNUS” activities

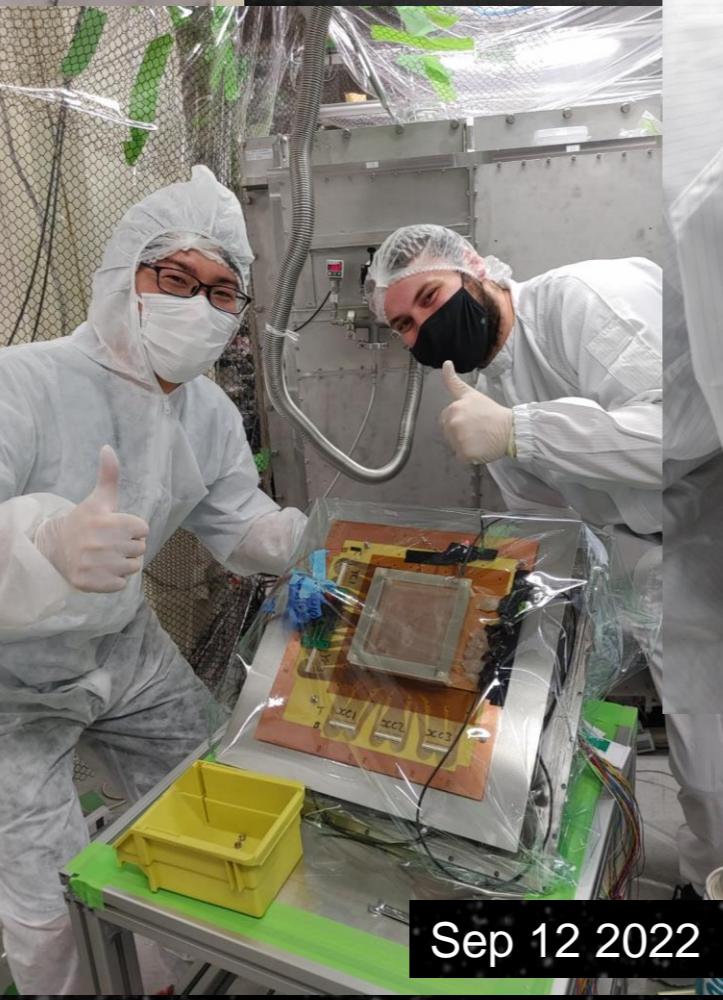
- pioneered 3d-tracking (direction sensitive) (NEWAGE)
- C/N-1.0 chamber ( $18 \times 30 \times 30 \text{ cm}^2$  detectors)
  - chamber ready

proposal: PLB 578 (2004) 241  
first results: PLB 654 (2007) 58  
latest results: PTEP 2021 063F01

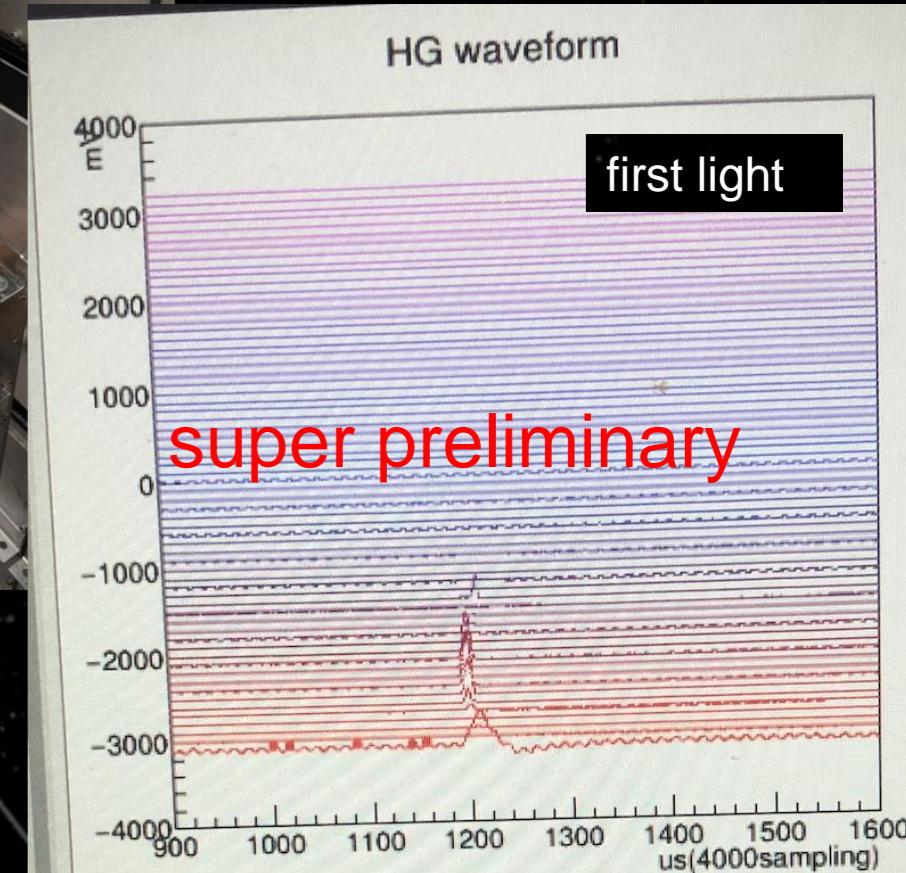


- Recent C/N-1.0 activities

- Sheffield (DRIFT) micromegas detector test

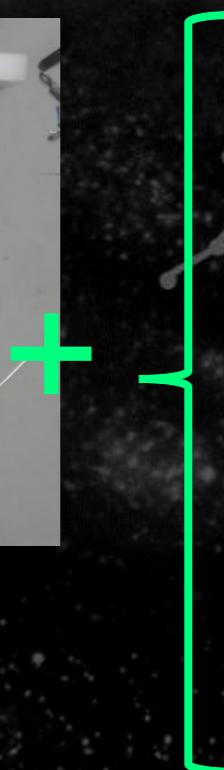
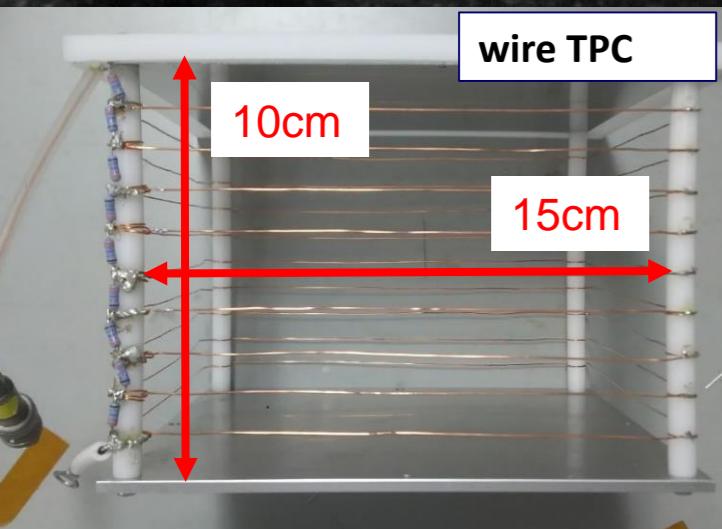


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# • Resistive Sheet TPC

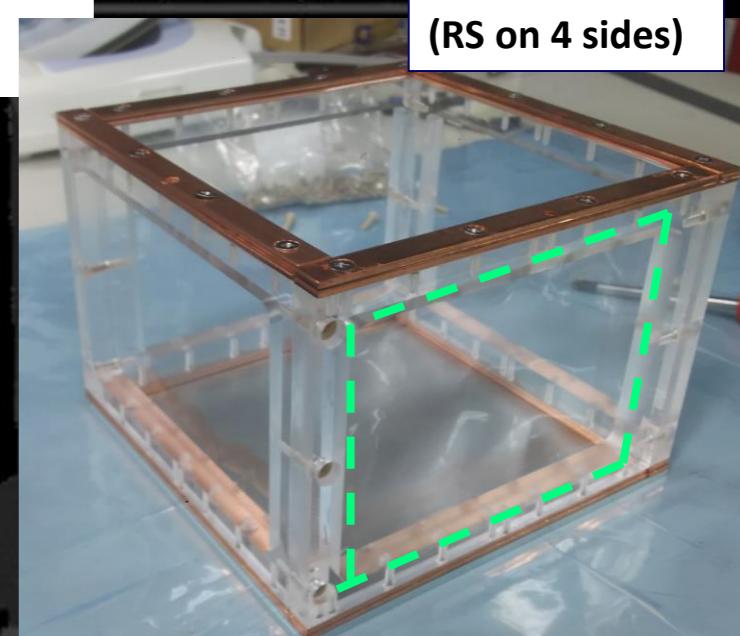
- need electric field to drift electrons
- traditional method: wires, ribbons...
- new approach: resistive sheet
  - easy to assemble
  - radioactive low BG
  - uniform electric field



commercially-available  
“anti-electric sheet” as cheap starting



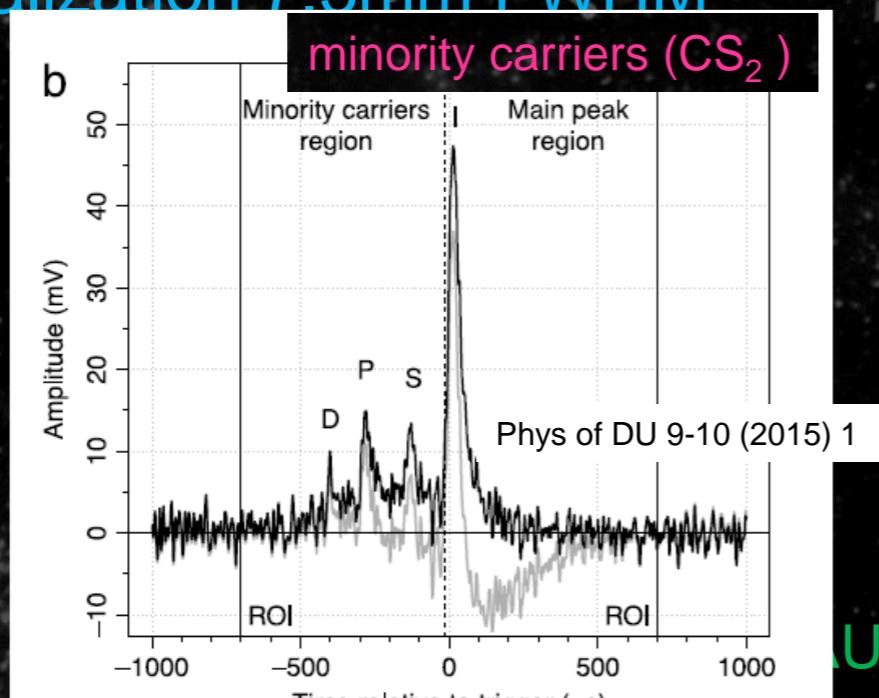
carbon sputtered  
EVOH sheet (for radon barrier)



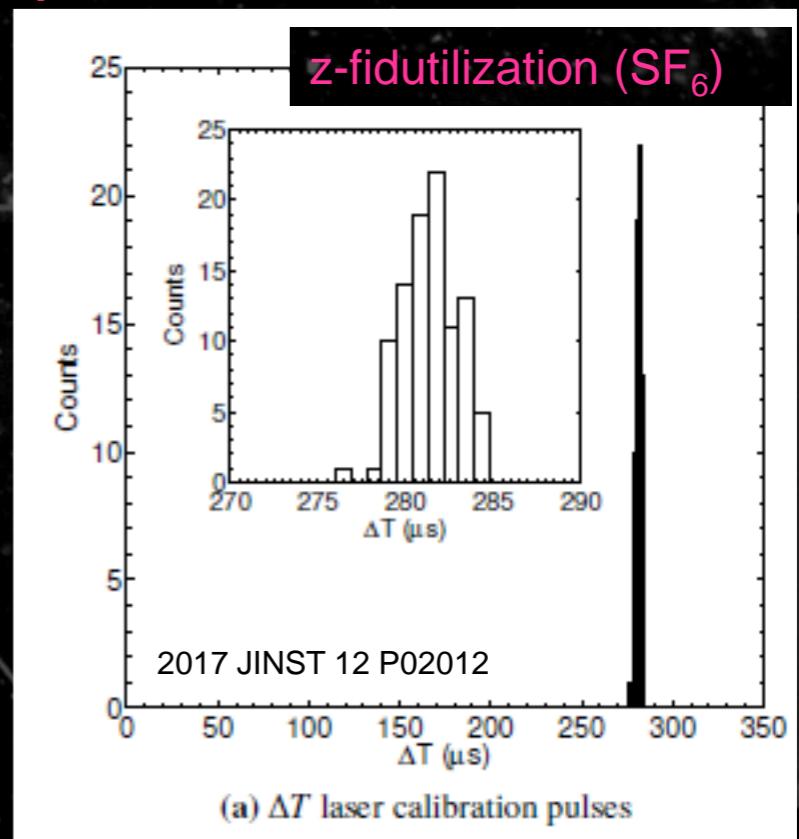
RS-TPC  
(RS on 4 sides)

# Negative ion TPC Study

- no “S1” signal
- Pioneered by DRIFT group
- Minority carrier discovery ( $\text{CS}_2 + \text{O}_2$ , Occidental group)
  - use several ion species with different drift velocities
  - small diffusion
- $\Rightarrow z$  fiducialization possible  $\Rightarrow$  LOW BG !
- $\text{SF}_6$  discovery (2015, UNM group).
  - z-fiducialization 7.3mm FWHM



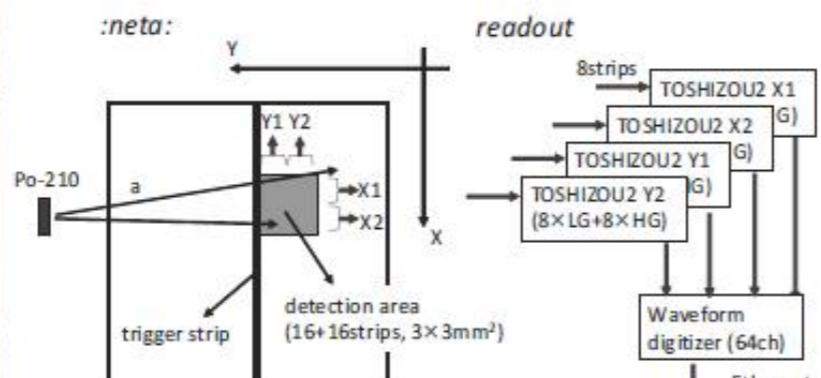
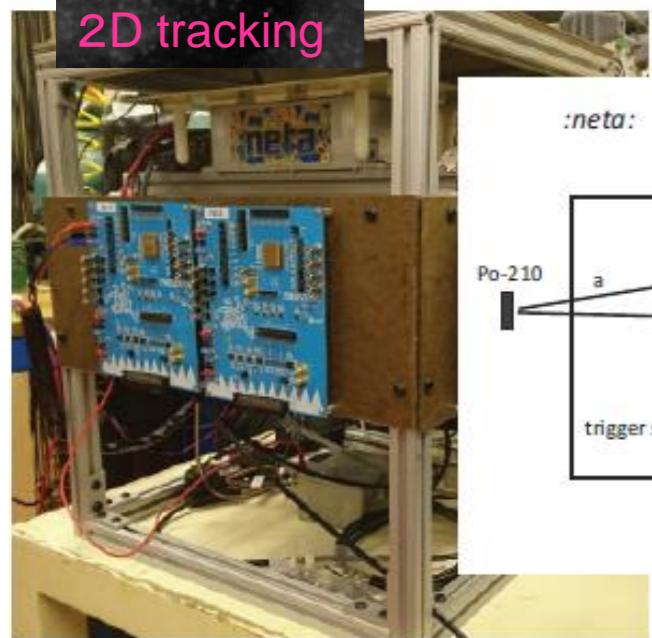
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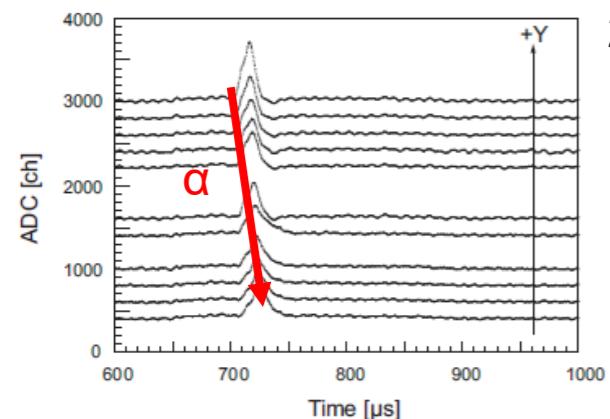
- to be CYGNUS: Trackings
  - strip readout + ASICs

LTARS2016 + Wellesley's micromegas  
resistive-strip readout

2D tracking

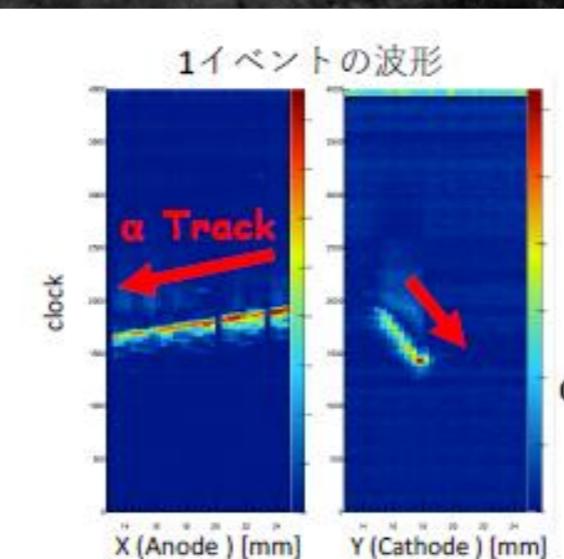


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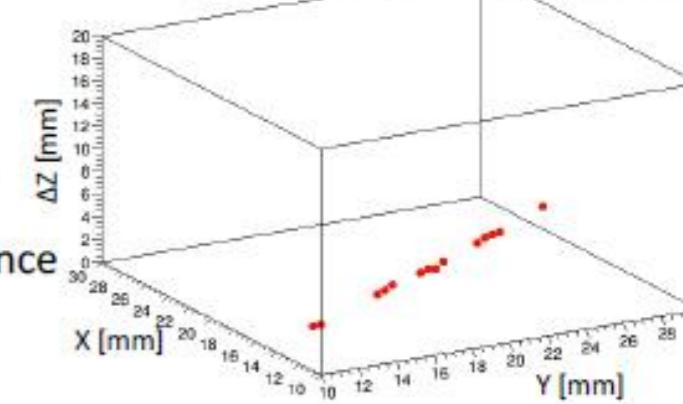
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1イベントの波形



coincidence

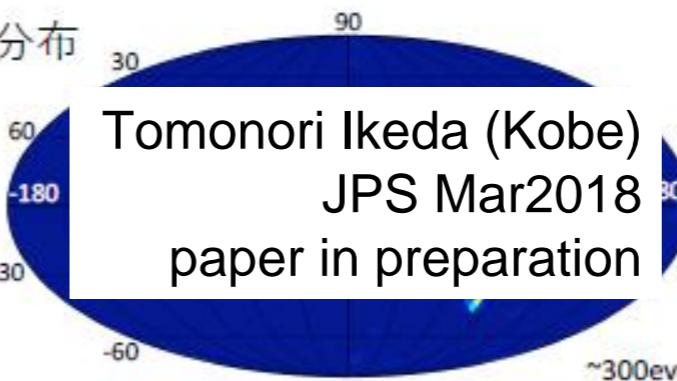
3D tracking+ fiducialisation



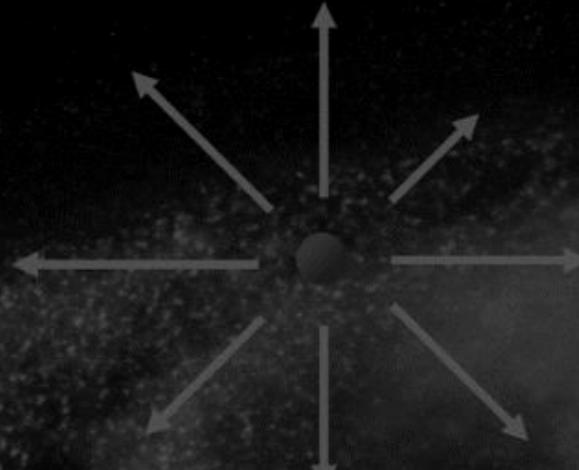
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Tomonori Ikeda (Kobe)  
JPS Mar2018  
paper in preparation



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# Migdal

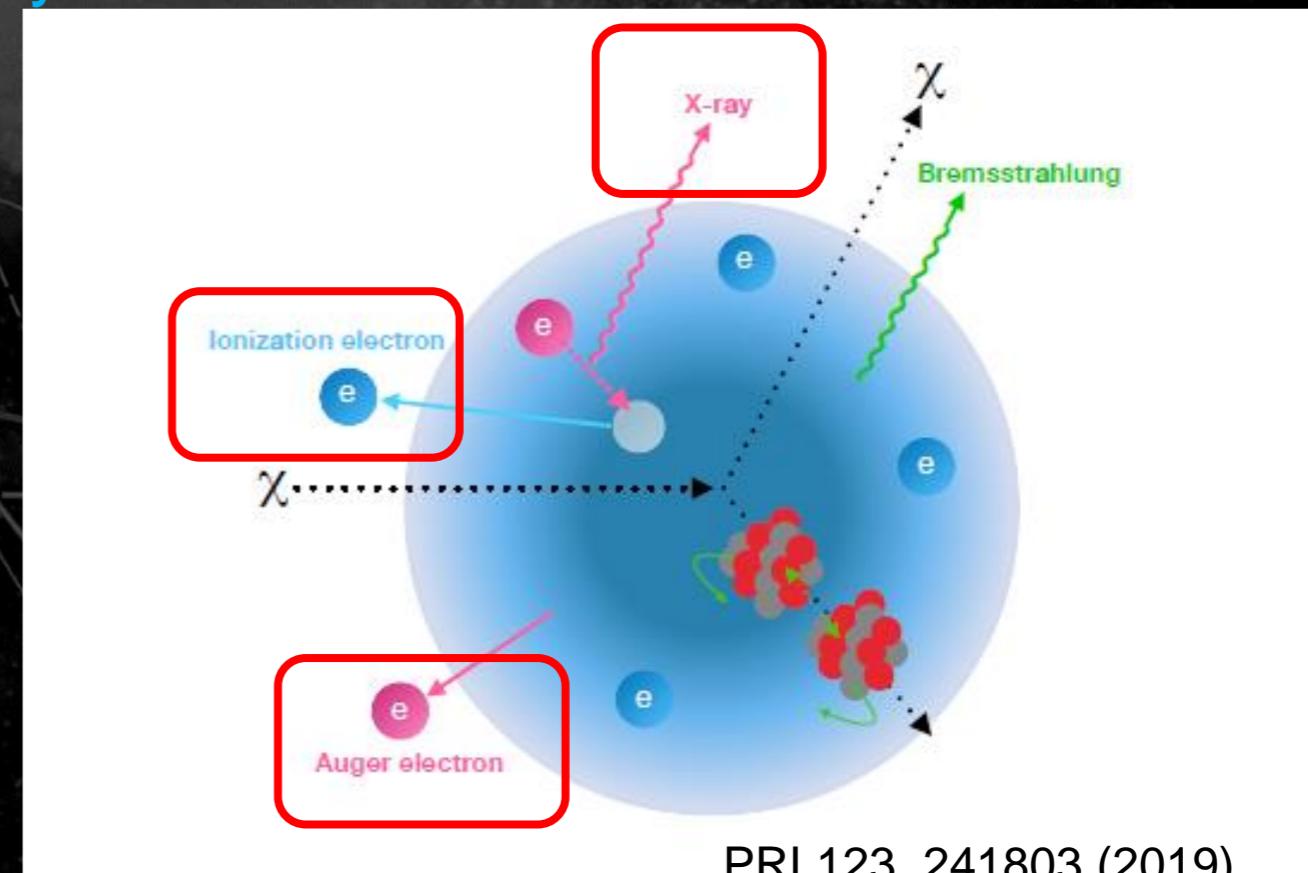
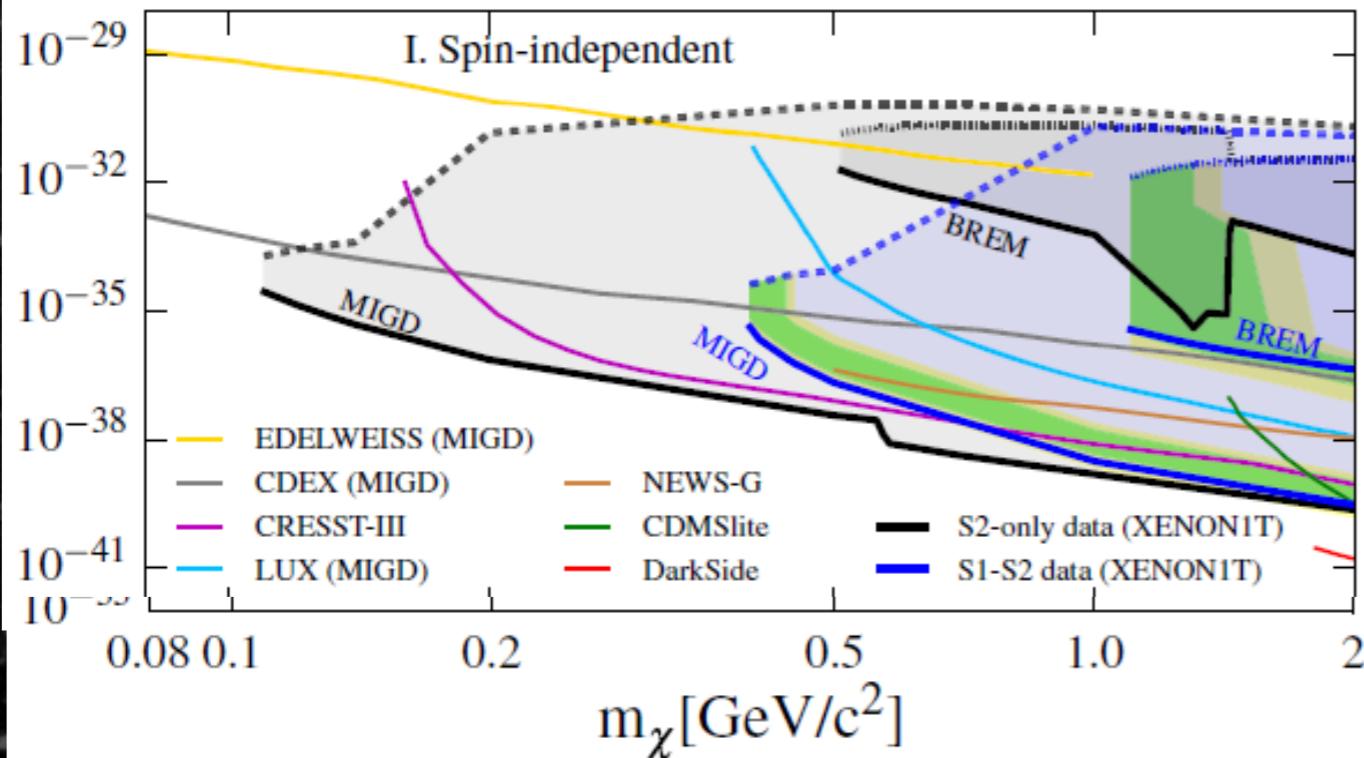
Migdal effect associated with nuclear recoil by gaseous detectors

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## • MIGDAL effect

- Low mass search with “MIGDAL effect”
- Ordinary nuclear recoil : ionization along the track
- Low energy recoil : ionization efficiency is low  
⇒ cannot be detected
- Very rare case electrons are emitted

PRL123, 241803 (2019)



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FIG. 1. Illustration of the ER signal production from BREM (green) and Migdal processes (pink) after elastic scattering between DM ( $\chi$ ) and a xenon nucleus.

# • Migdal observation proposals by gaseous detectors



Migdal effect Investigation as  
RAre event CLUEs

arXiv:2207.08284v1

The MIGDAL experiment:  
Measuring a rare atomic process to aid the search for dark matter

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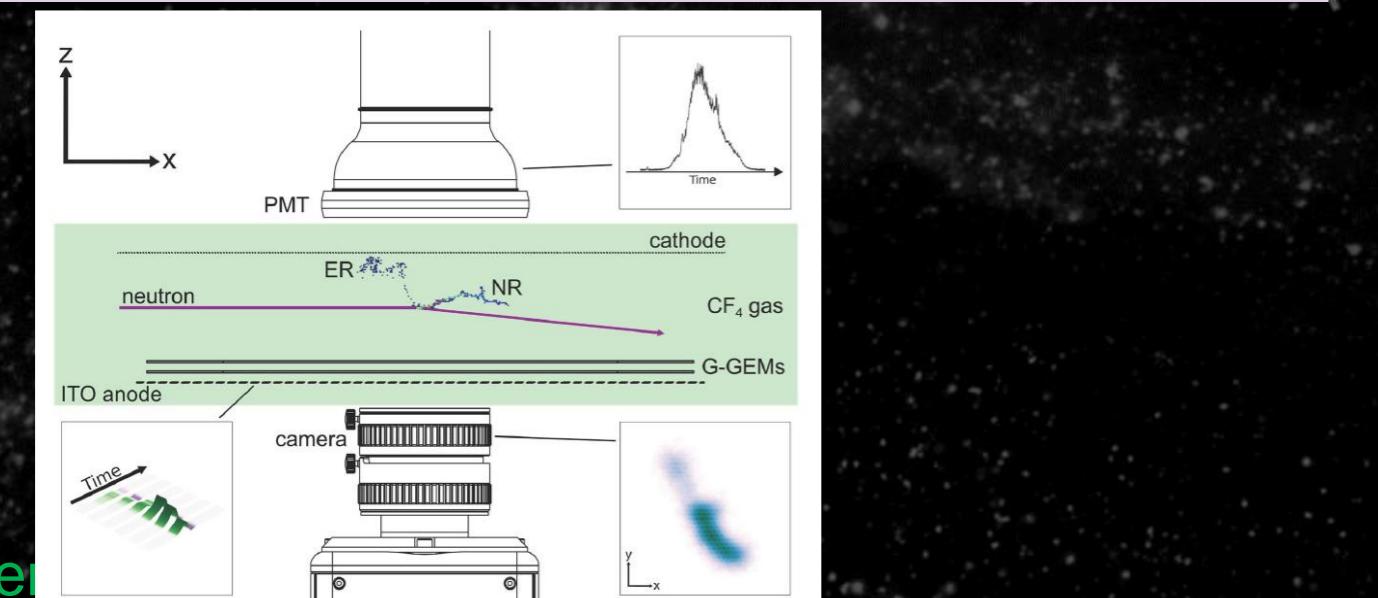
PTEP

Prog. Theor. Exp. Phys. **2021**, 013C01 (14 pages)  
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**Detection capability of the Migdal effect for argon and xenon nuclei with position-sensitive gaseous detectors**

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# • MIGDAL experiment



- Low-pressure gas: 50 Torr of CF<sub>4</sub>
  - Extended particle tracks
  - Avoid photon interactions
- Optical TPC
  - Imaging: 2x glass-GEMs + camera
  - Ionisation: 120 ITO anode strips
  - Scintillation: photomultiplier tube
- High-yield neutron generators
  - D-D: 2.47 MeV ( $10^9$  n/s)
  - D-T: 14.7 MeV ( $10^{10}$  n/s)
  - Defined beam, “clear” through TPC
- Electron and nuclear recoil tracks
  - Migdal: NR+ER tracks, common vertex
  - NR and ER have very different dE/dx
  - 5 keV electron threshold (Fe-55 calibration)

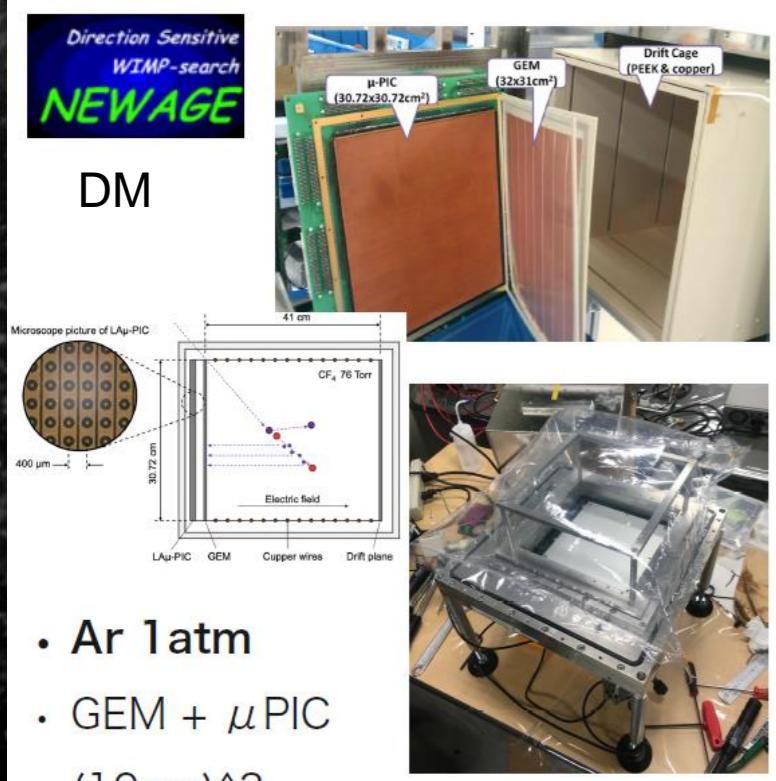
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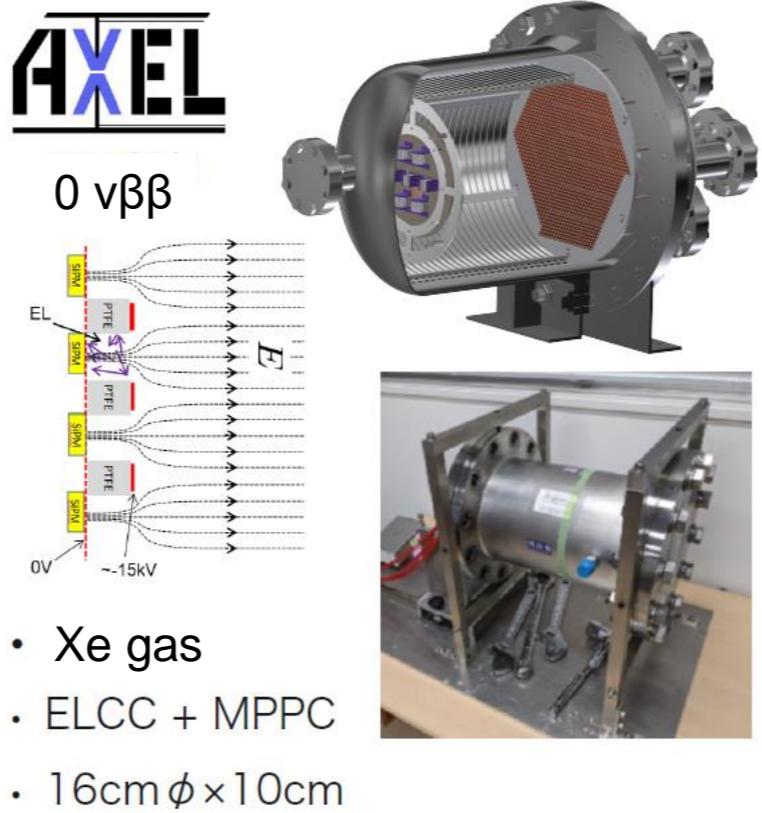
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## • MIGDAL experiment

- CF4 gas (50Torr)
- optical readout for NR+e-track
- (relatively) high energy neutrons

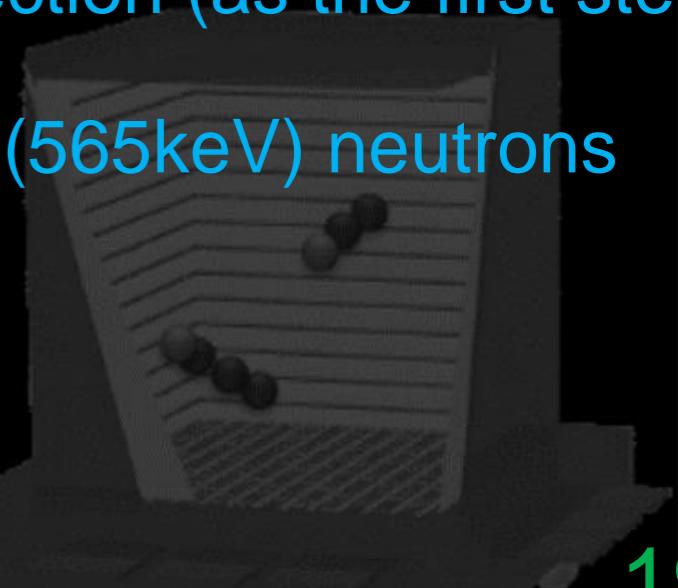


MIRACLE detectors



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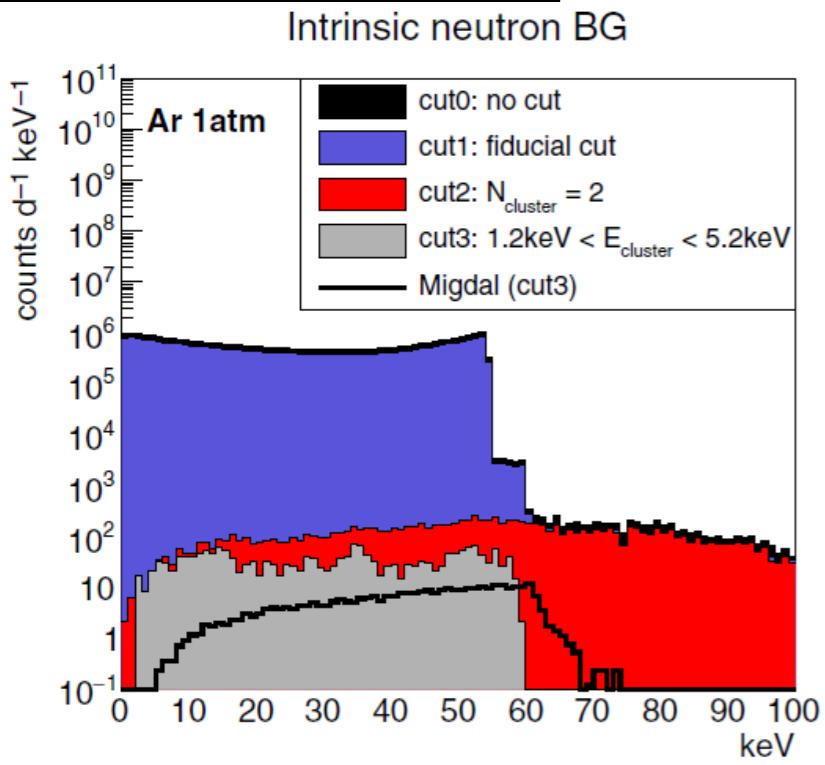
- Ar (1atm) and Xenon (8 atm) gas direct interests in DM search
- start with existing technologies less R&D
- characteristic X-ray channel for 2-cluster detection (as the first step) less BG
- low energy (565keV) neutrons less BG



# • BG and signal identifications

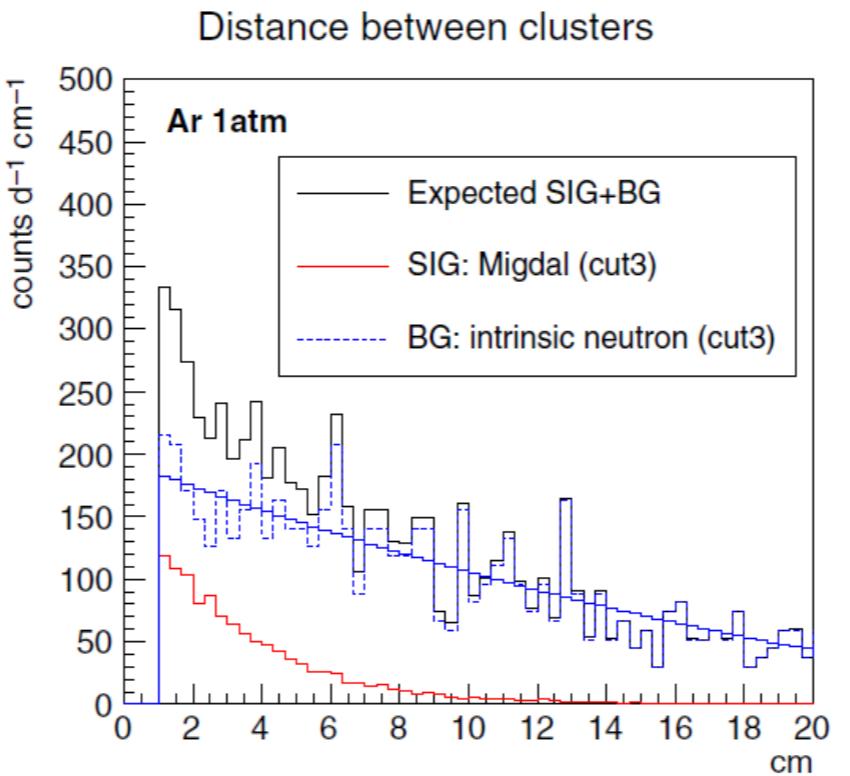
- BG reduction is the key to observe Migdal effects

intrinsic neutron BGs  
(565keV neutrons)



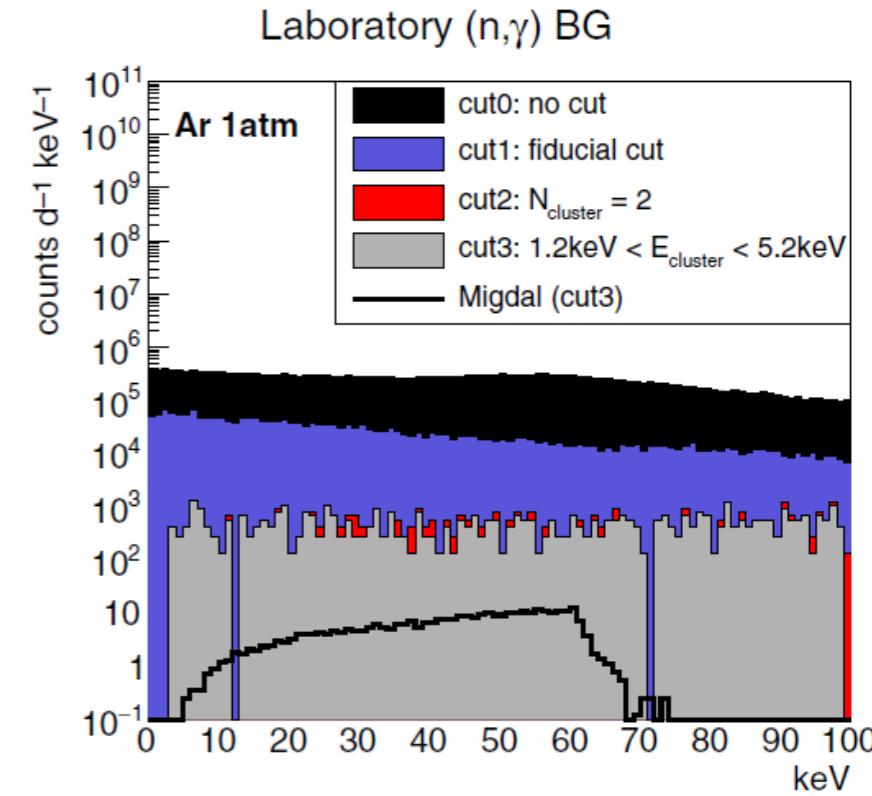
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## 2-cluster distance

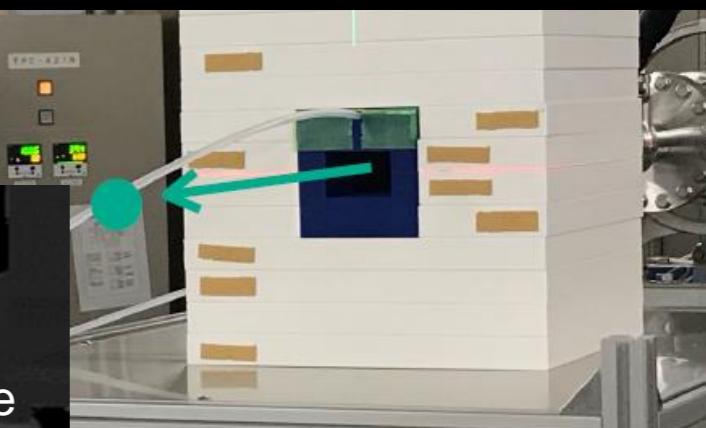


neutron beam  
 ${}^6\text{Li}(p,n){}^7\text{Be}$  @ AIST Japan continuous  
565keV  
1000 neutrons / $\text{cm}^2$  /sec @ 1m from the source

gamma-ray BGs  
from lab (avoidable)



LiF loaded polyethylene shieldings  
@neutron source



# • MIRACLUE now and future

- 1<sup>st</sup> beam test: April 2022

- BG study with scintillators (BGO, CsI)  
now: comparison with MC

- Xe, Ar, chamber test

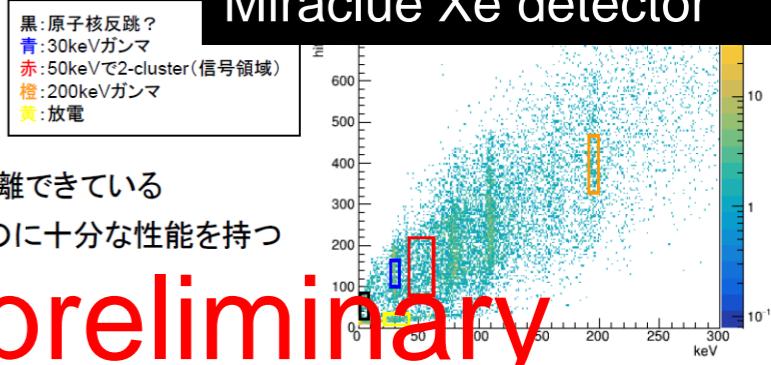
- 2<sup>nd</sup> beam test: December 2022

- BG study with real size (30cm)<sup>3</sup> Ar chamber

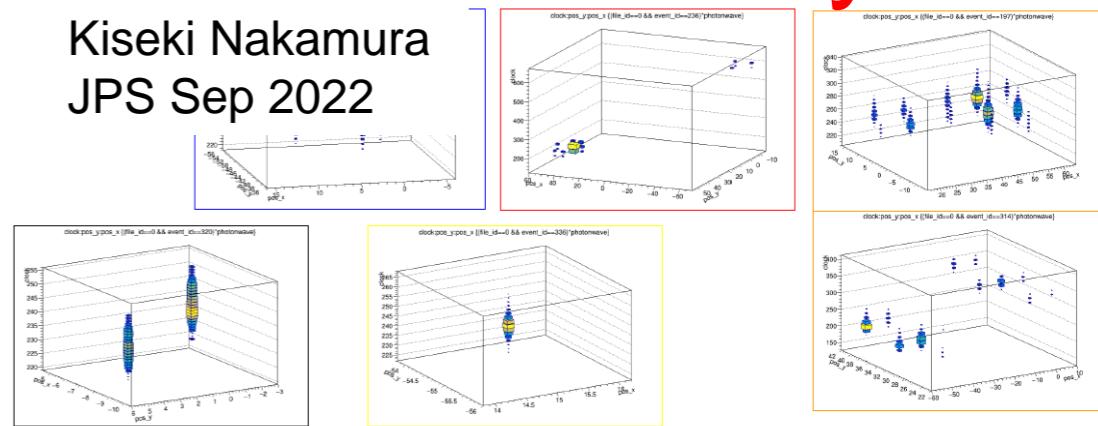
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- shielding optimization
- MIGDAL effect observations

## 飛跡の例

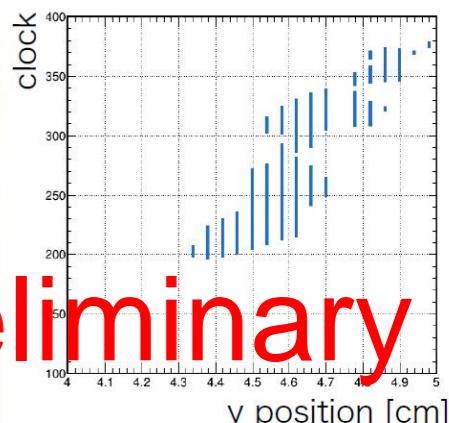
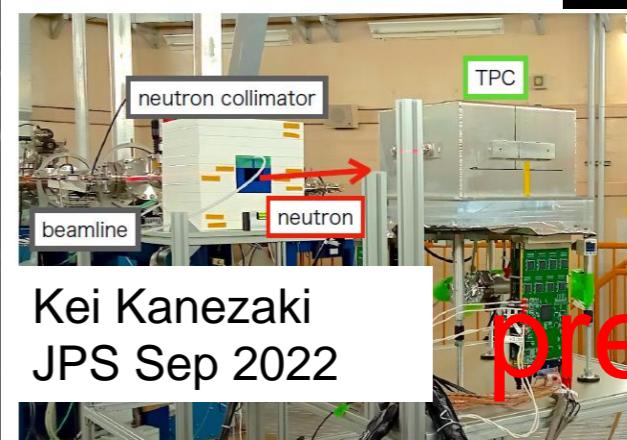


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- 高レートの中性子場において二次元飛跡の取得に成功
- キセノンTPCの解析結果は中村講演

Miraclue Ar detector



# SUMMARY

- Gaseous detectors are powerful tool for
  - directional dark matter search and
  - Migdal effect observations

Thank you, and see you in Japan...



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