DIRAC collaboration plans on 2014-2015

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DIRAC collaboration planning for 2014

- I. Kπ atoms.
  Publish the paper "First Kπ atom lifetime measurement" (January 2014). Enlarge the published statistics using data with large background.
- II. Long-lived atoms.
  Finish analysis and publish the paper: "First observation of the long-lived $\pi^+\pi^-$ atoms" (October 2014). Study the possibility to evaluate a lowest value of Lamb shift from existing data.
- III. Continue the $\pi^+\pi^-$ atoms data analysis.
- IV. K^+K^- pairs analysis.
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- V. $\pi^+\mu^-$, $\pi^-\mu^+$ and $\mu^+\mu^-$ pairs analysis.
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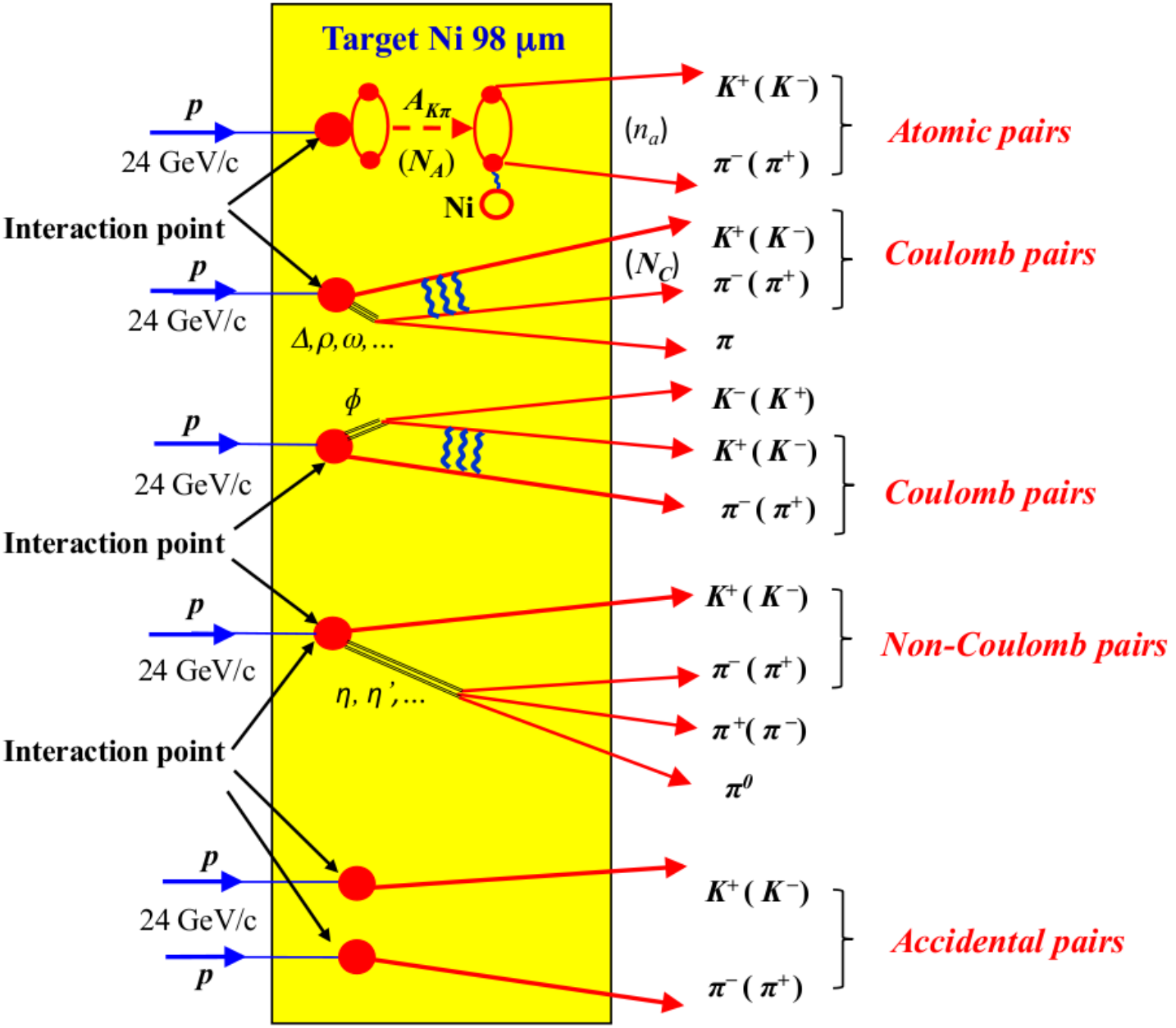
- VI. Project preparation on SPS.

Number of people participating in the data process and analysis

- 1. Bern 1
- 2. CERN 1
- 3. Bucharest 4
- 4. Dubna 9
- 5. Prague 2
- 6. Protvino 2
- Total 19

Method of Kπ atom observation and investigation



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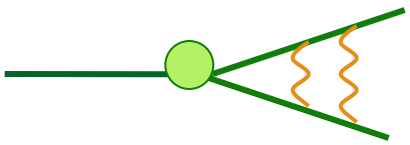

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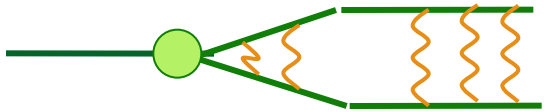
Coulomb pairs



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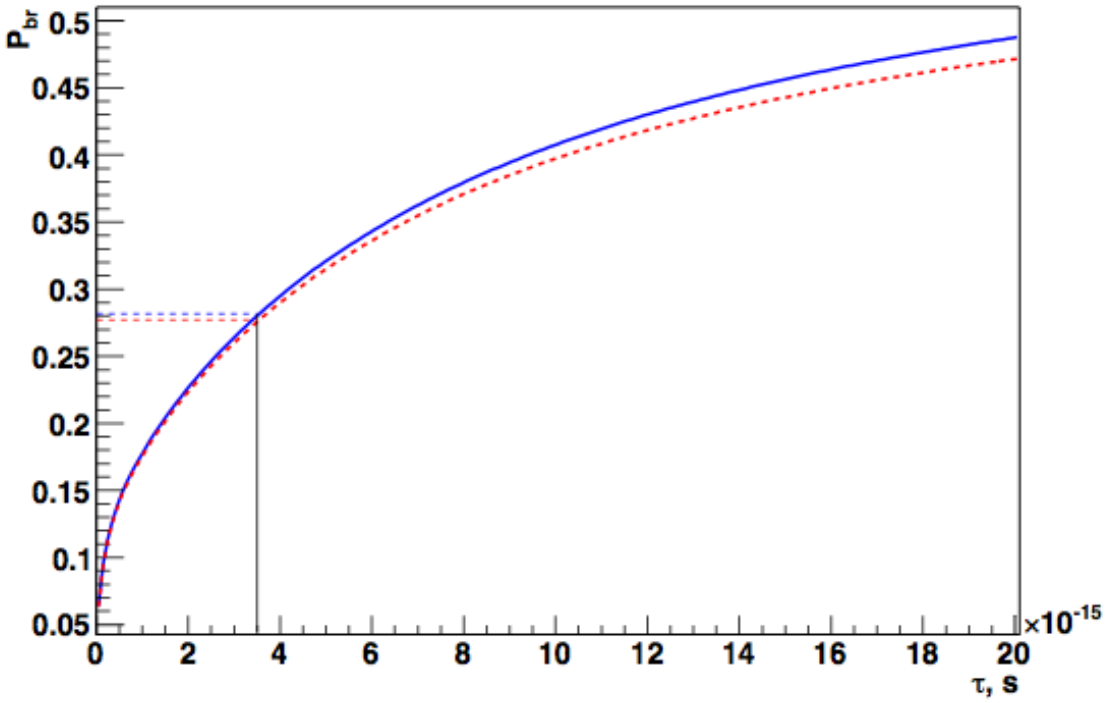
Break-up probability

Solution of the transport equations provides one-to-one dependence of the measured break-up probability P_{br} on π^+K^- lifetime τ.

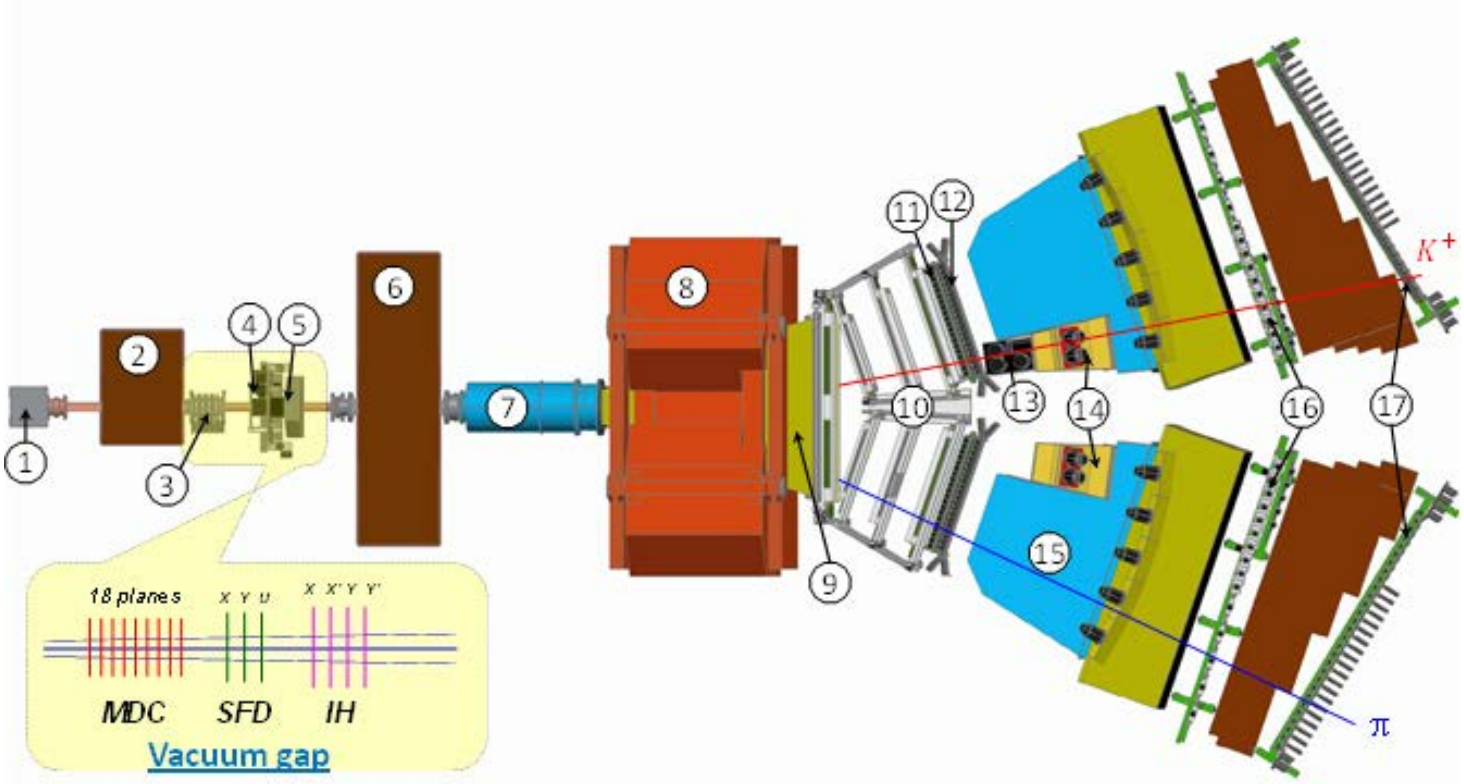


$Pbr^{th} = 0.278^{+0.012}_{-0.011}$

$\tau^{th} = (3.5 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-15}$ s

target Ni 108μm (solid) Ni 98μm (dashed)

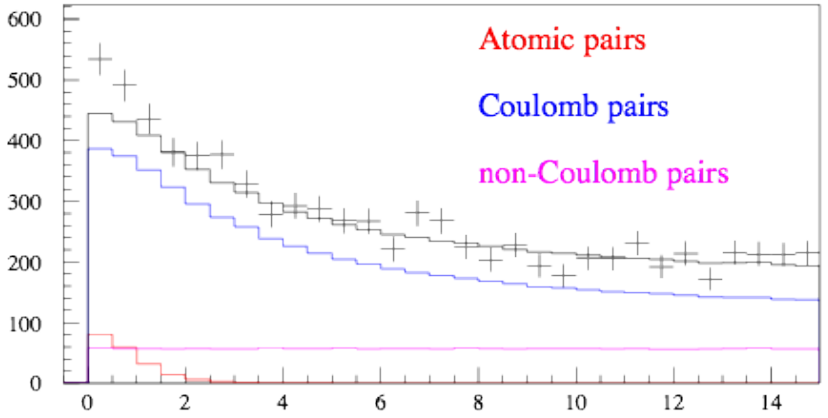
Experimental setup

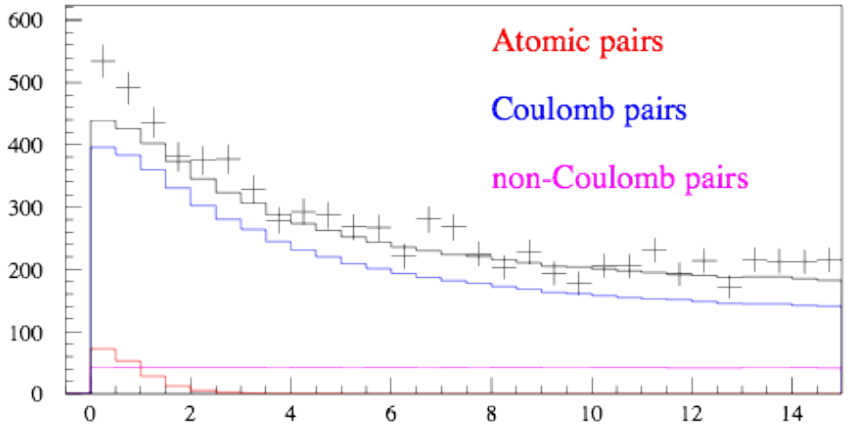


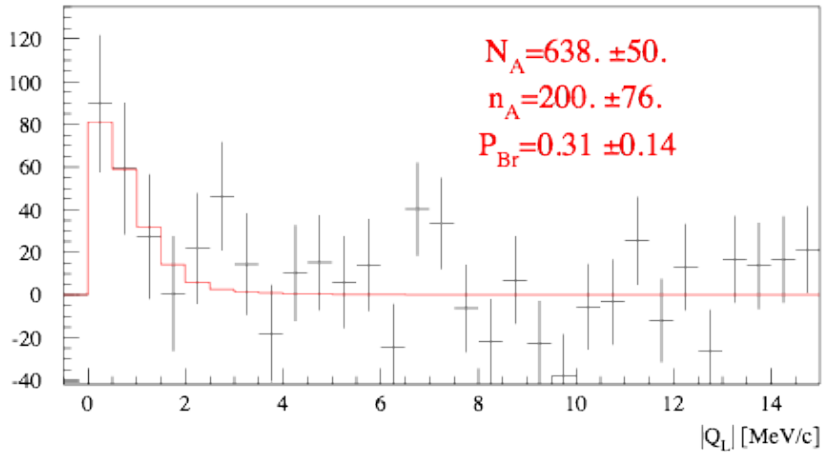
1 Target station with Ni foil; 2 First shielding; 3 Micro Drift Chambers; 4 Scintillating Fiber Detector; 5 Ionization Hodoscope; 6 Second Shielding; 7 Vacuum Tube; 8 Spectrometer Magnet; 9 Vacuum Chamber; 10 Drift Chambers; 11 Vertical Hodoscope; 12 Horizontal Hodoscope; 13 Aerogel Čerenkov; 14 Heavy Gas Čerenkov; 15 Nitrogen Čerenkov; 16 Preshower; 17 Muon Detector

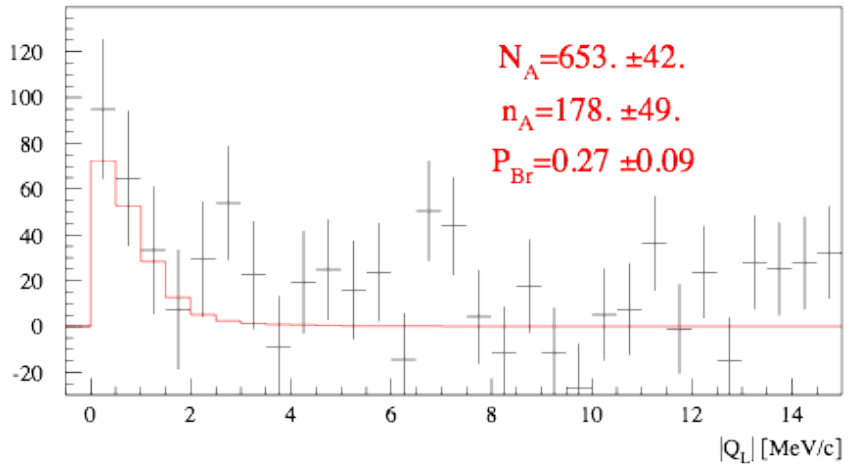
$K\pi^+ + K\pi^-$ atoms - run 2008-2010

Run 2008-2010, statistics with low and medium background (2/3 of all statistics).





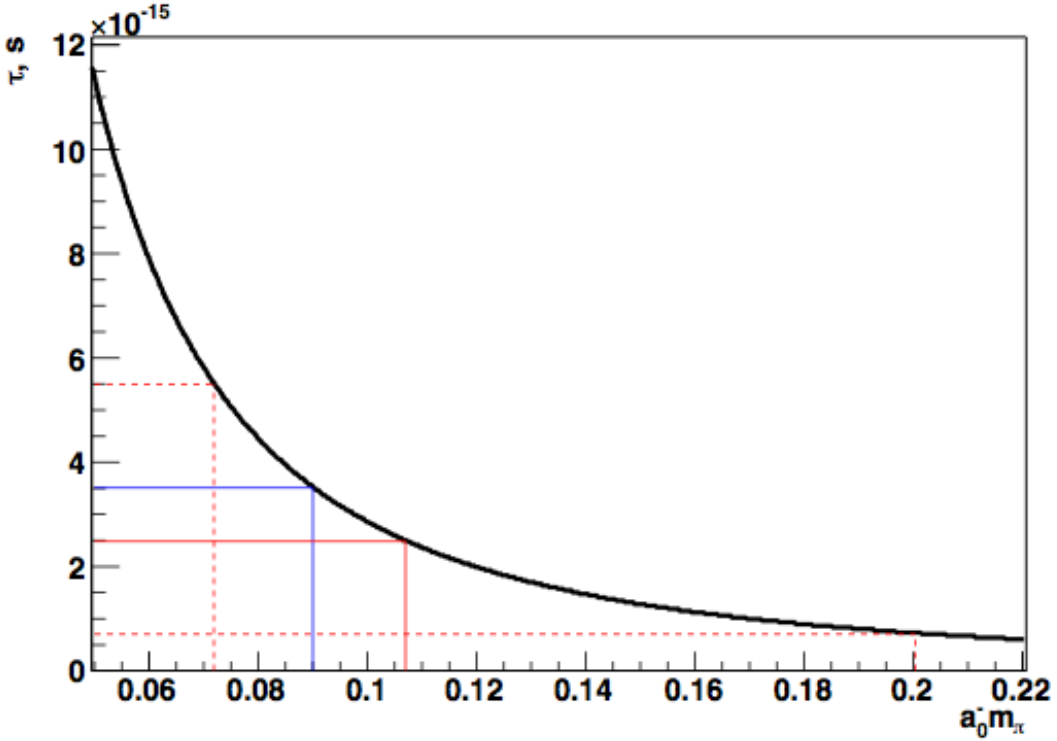




$|Q_L|$ distribution
analysis on $|Q_L|$ for $Q_T < 4$ MeV/c

$|Q_L|$ distribution
analysis on $|Q_L|$ and Q_T for $Q_T < 4$ MeV/c

Dependence of Kπ atom lifetime in the ground state τ_{1S} on $|a_0^-| = 1/3|a_{1/2}-a_{3/2}|$. Experimental result (red) vs theoretical estimation (blue). (Q_L,Q_t)-analysis.
Paper will be published in January 2014.



$\tau^{exp} = (3.0^{+2.5}_{-1.77}) \times 10^{-15}$ s

$|a_0^-|^{exp} m_\pi = 0.11^{+0.09}_{-0.04}$

$|a_0^-|^{th} m_\pi = 0.090 \pm 0.005$
[P.Buettiker 2004]

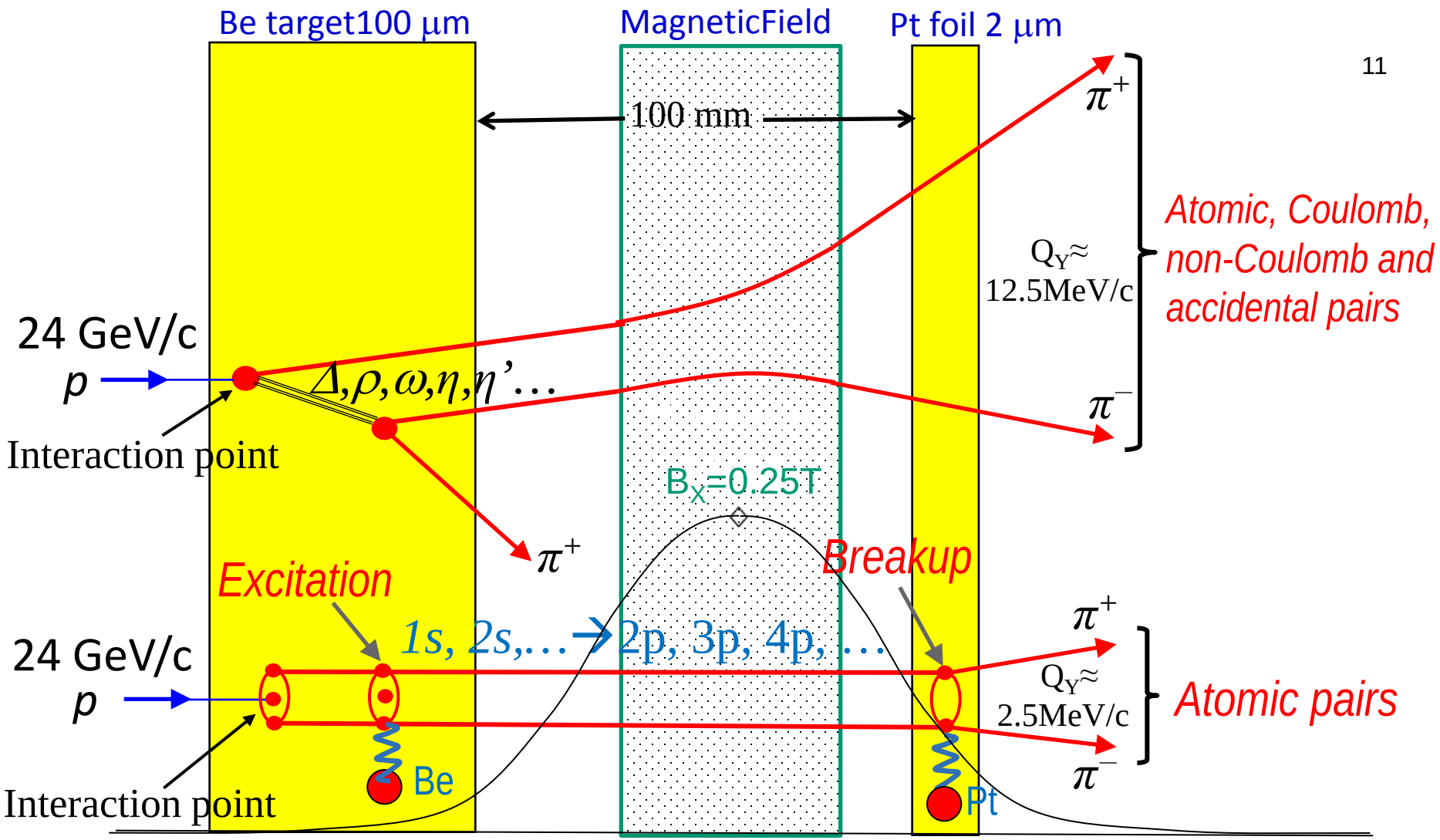
Improve the published results using data with large background (1/3 of the total statistic) and data obtained on Pt target in 2007.

Long-lived $\pi^+\pi^-$ atoms

The observation of $\pi^+\pi^-$ atom long-lived states opens the future possibility to measure the energy difference between ns and np states $\Delta E(ns-np)$ and the value of $\pi\pi$ scattering lengths $|2a_0+a_2|$.

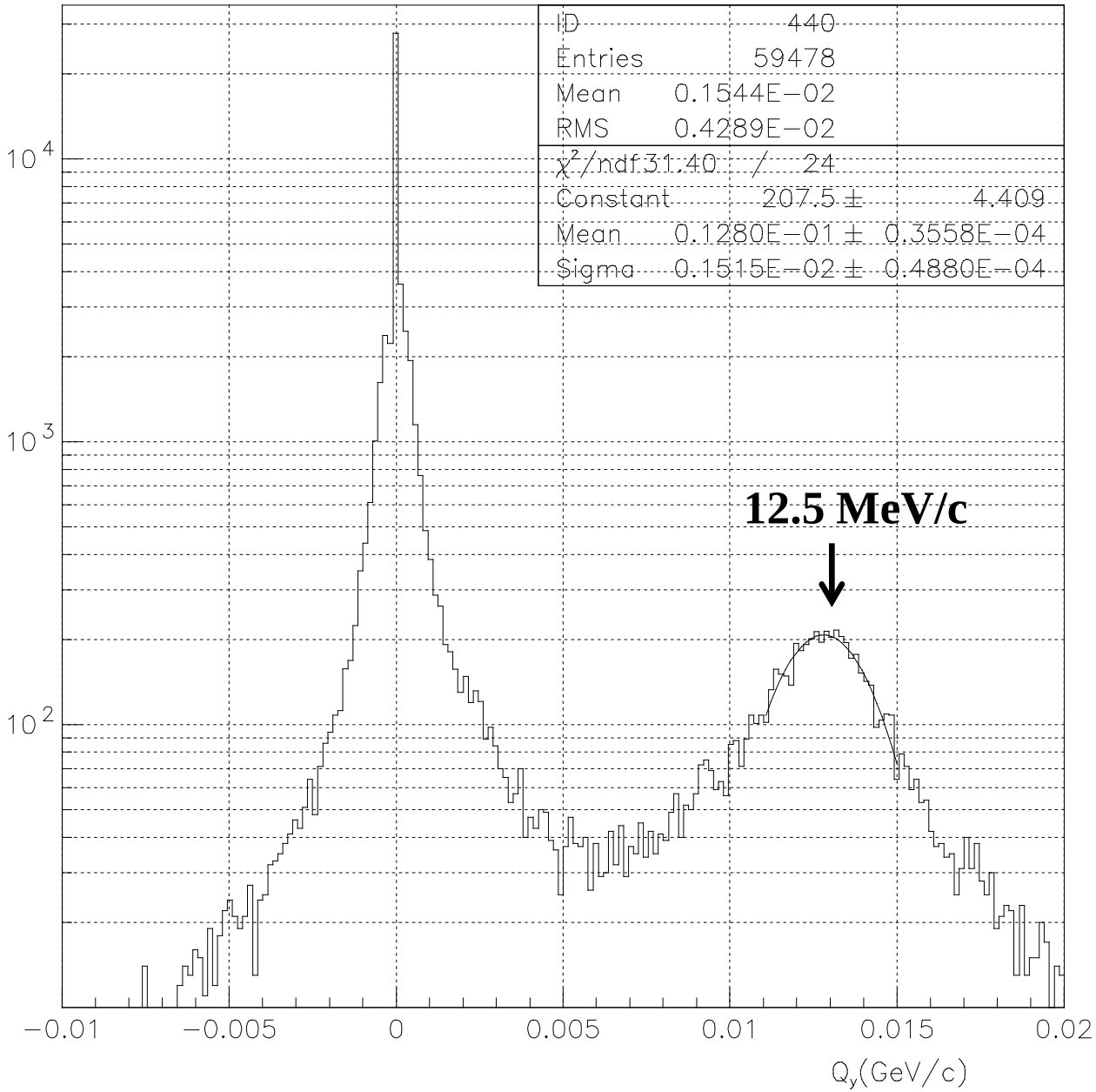
If a resonance method can be applied for the $\Delta E(ns-np)$ measurement, then the precision of $\pi\pi$ scattering length measurement can be improved by one order of magnitude relative to the precision of other methods.

Method for observing long-lived $\pi^+\pi^-$ atom with breakup Pt foil



for $\gamma = 17$	$l(2p) = 5.7$ cm, $l(3p) = 19$ cm, $l(4p) = 44$ cm, $l(5p) = 87$ cm $l(2s) = 0.14$ mm, $l(3s) = 0.46$ mm, $l(4s) = 1.1$ mm

Q_y distribution for e^+e^- pair



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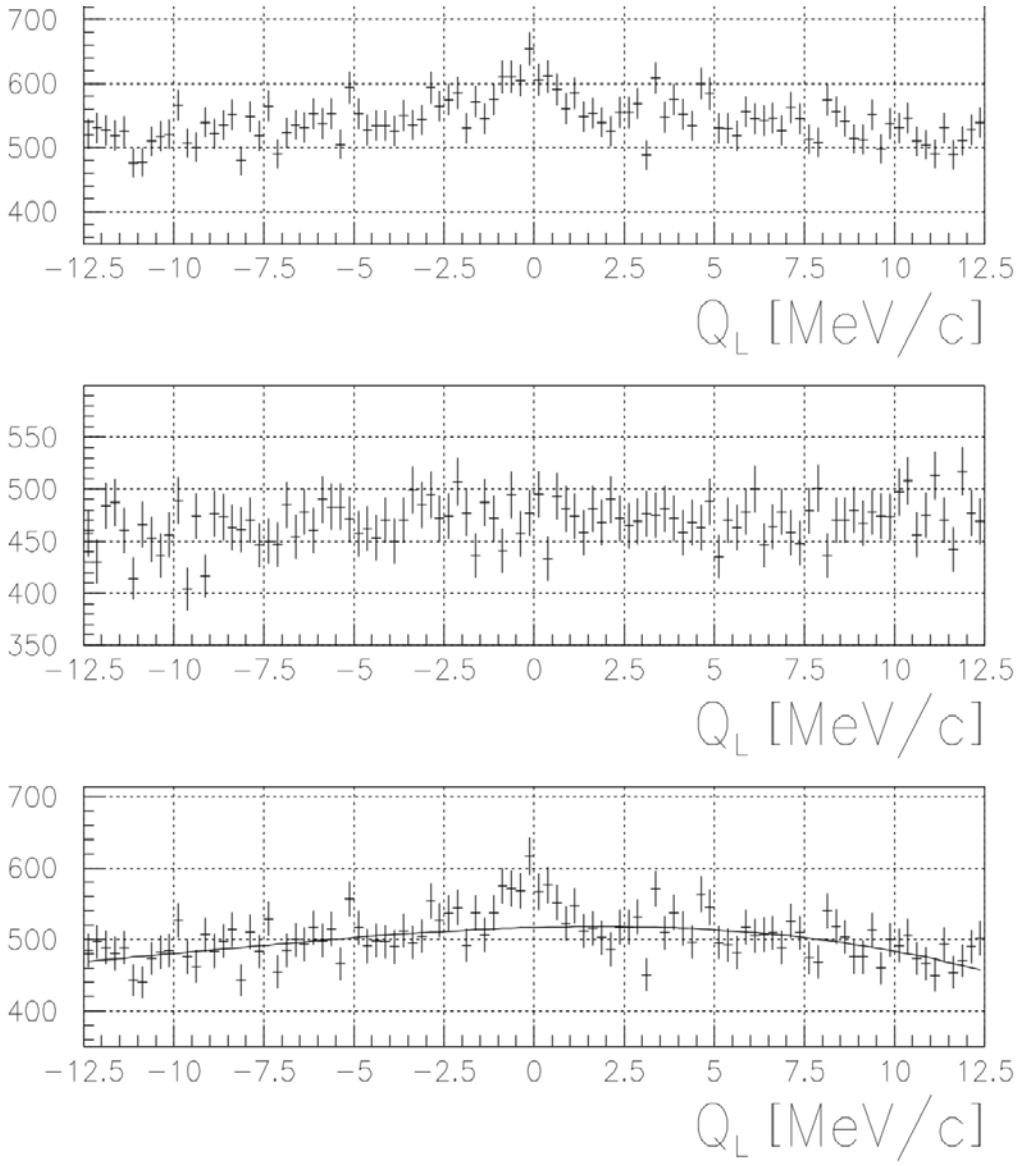
Experimental distribution of $\pi^+\pi^-$ pairs over Q_L



Prompt (with accidental) pairs in the searched signal region selected by the cut

$$\sqrt{Q_X^2 + \left(Q_Y - 2.5\frac{MeV}{c}\right)^2} < 1.5\frac{MeV}{c}$$

Accidental pairs

Real pairs and polynomial background fit(for $|Q_L|>3$MeV/c)

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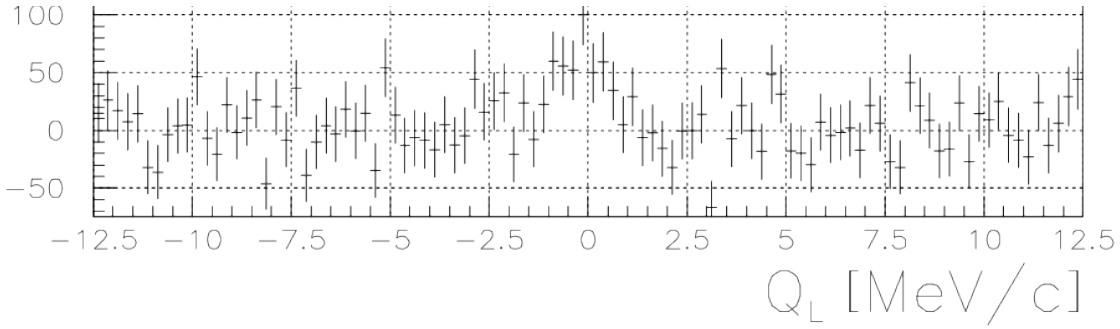
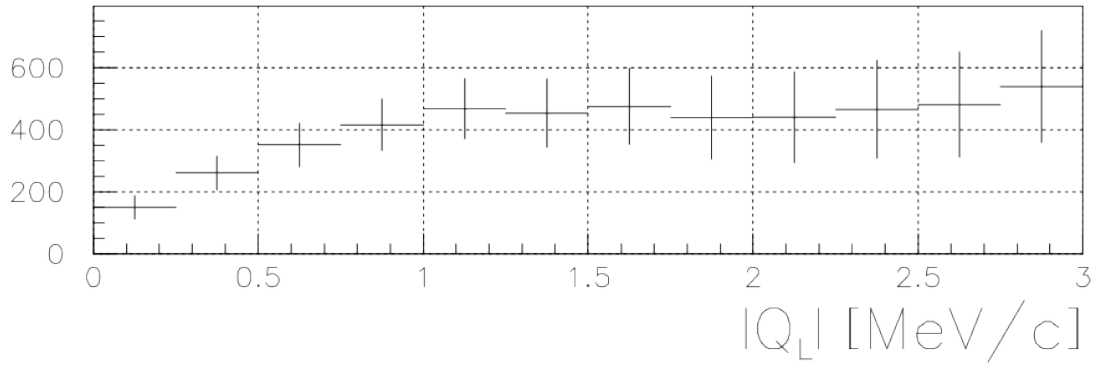
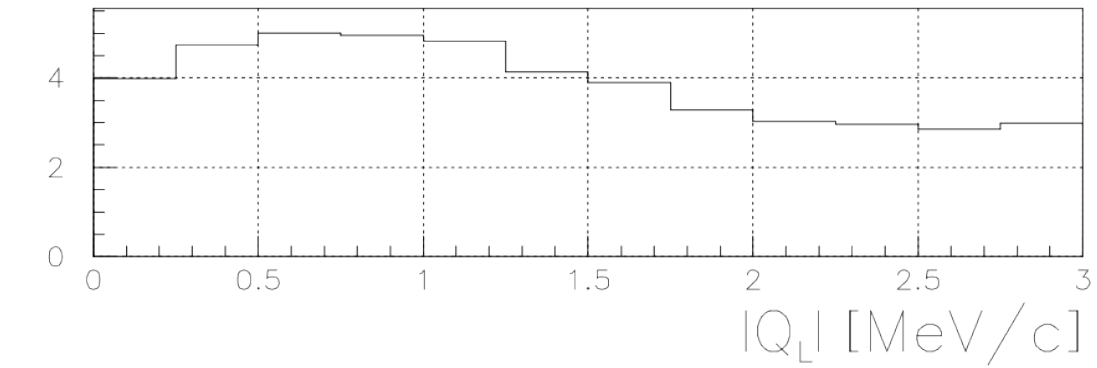
Difference between real $\pi^+\pi^-$ pairs and polynomial fit (Q_L > 3MeV/c)



Q_L distribution of $\pi^+\pi^-$ pairs after background subtraction. The peak could be due to the long-lived $\pi^+\pi^-$ atom breakup in the Pt foil.



Total number of $\pi^+\pi^-$ pairs in the peak region as a function of $|Q_L|$ for Q_T < 1.5MeV/c



Total number (fig. above) divided by the error as a function of $|Q_L|$ for Q_T < 1.5MeV/c:

signal/error ~ 5σ

(without data analysis optimization)

Finish analysis and publish the paper : "First observation of the long-live $\pi^+\pi^-$ atoms"(October 2014)

Study the possibility to evaluate a lowest value of the Lamb shift from

$\pi^+\pi^-$ data

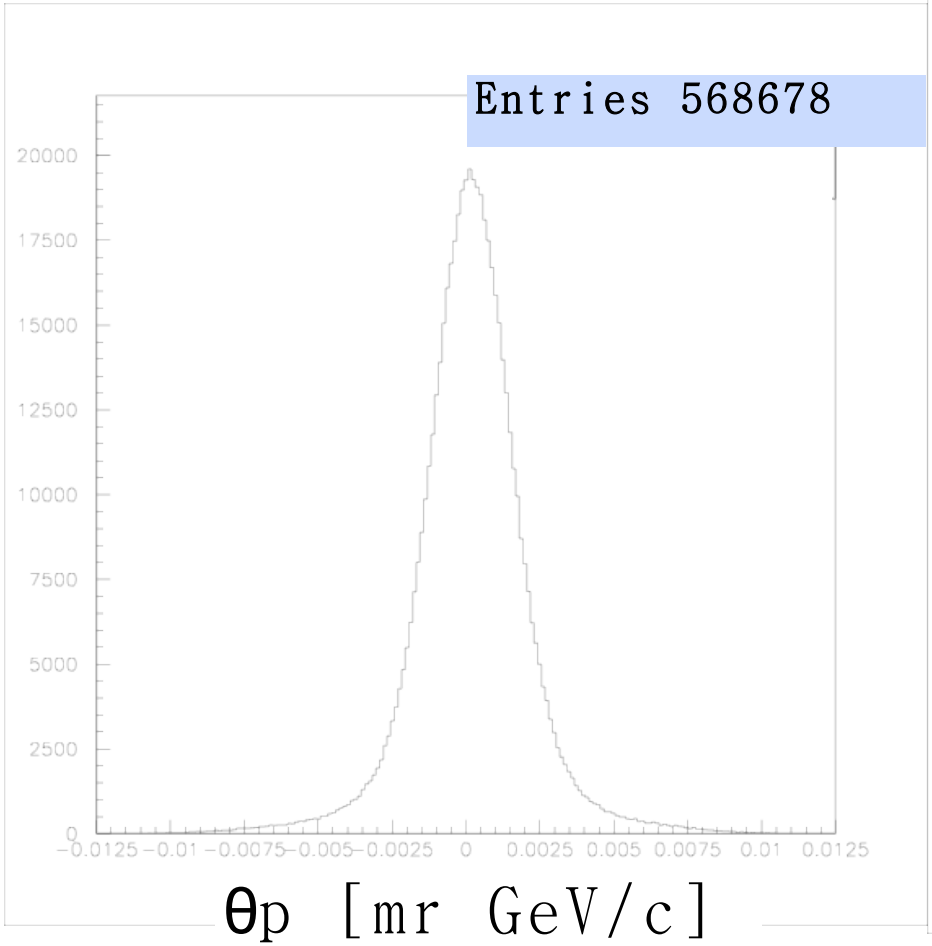
Statistics for measurement of $|a_0-a_2|$ scattering length difference and expected precision

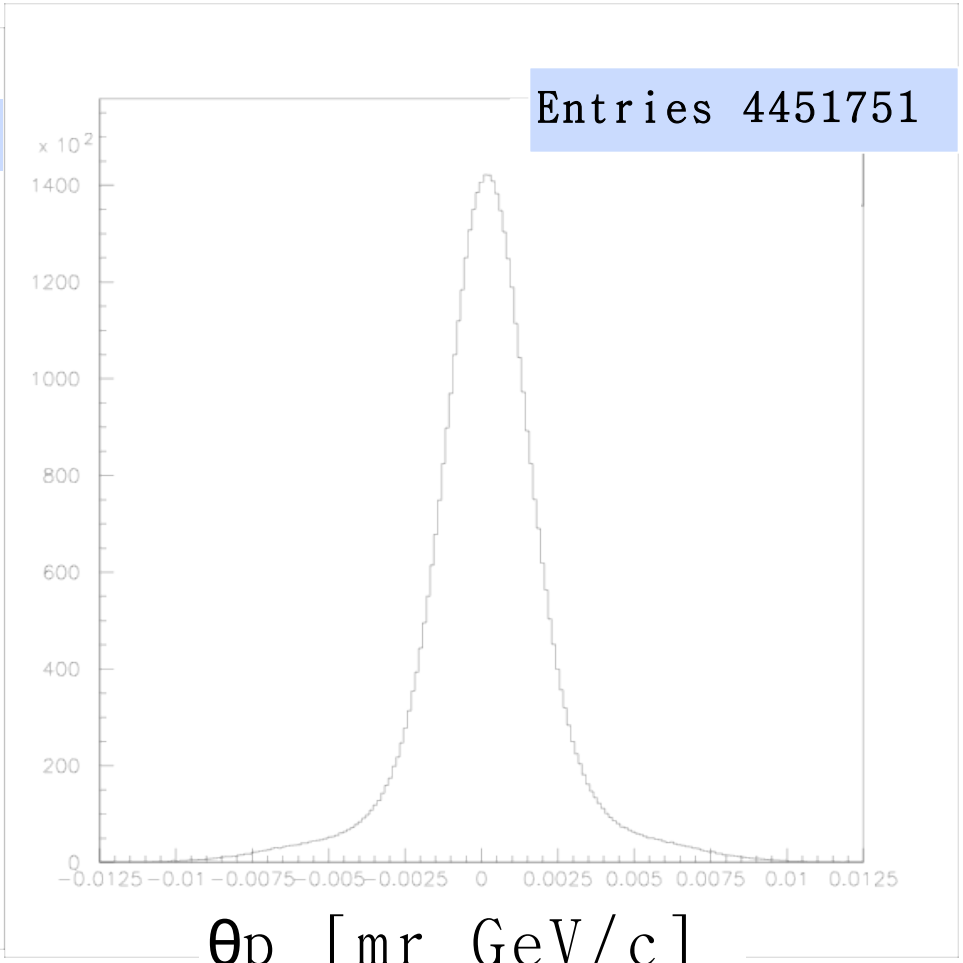
Year	n_A	δ_{stat}(%)	Δ_{syst}(%)	δ_{syst}(%)MS	δ_{tot}(%)
2001-2003	21000	3.1	3.0	2.5	4.3
2008-2010*	25000	3.1	3.0	2.5	4.3
2001-2003 2008-2010	46000	2.2	3.0 2.1	2.5 1.25	3.7 3.0

* There is 1/3 of the data with a higher background whose implication will be investigated.

Multiple scattering in Ni(100 μm)

The events as a function of the multiple scattering angle Θ and the particle momentum p. Events with only **one track** (left) and **one or more tracks** (right) in X and Y DC plane .





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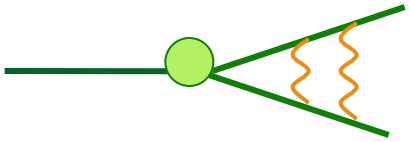

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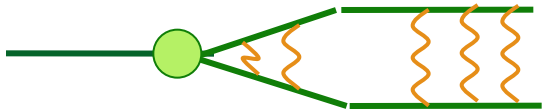

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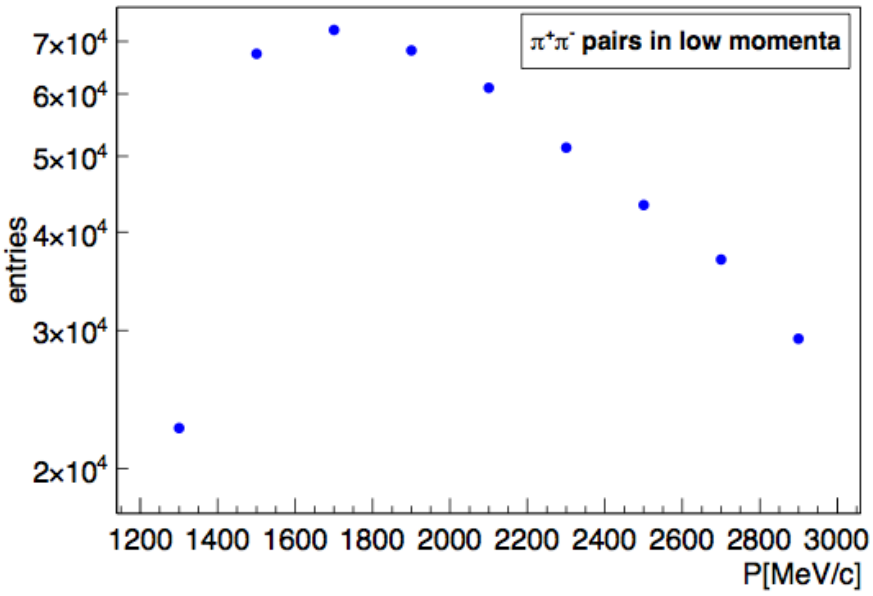
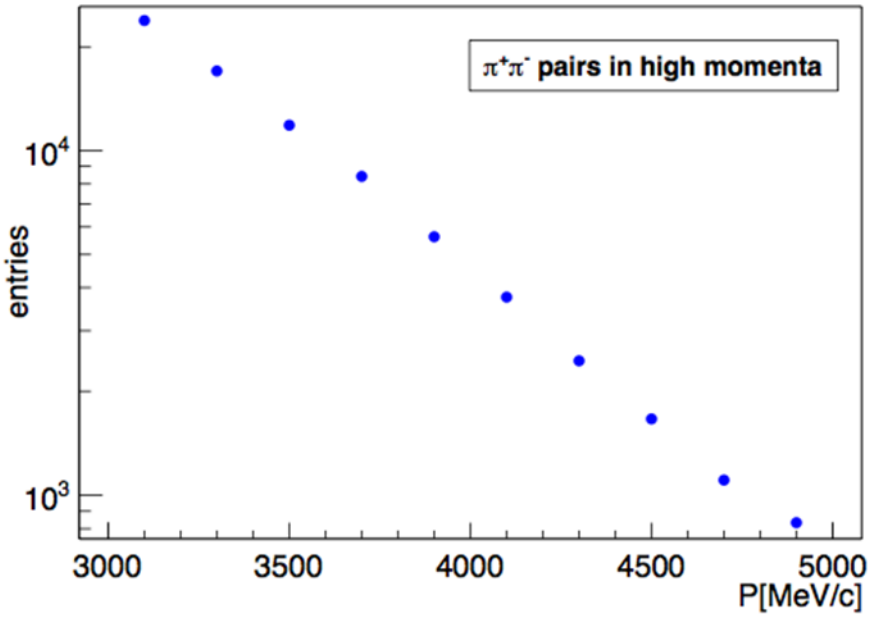
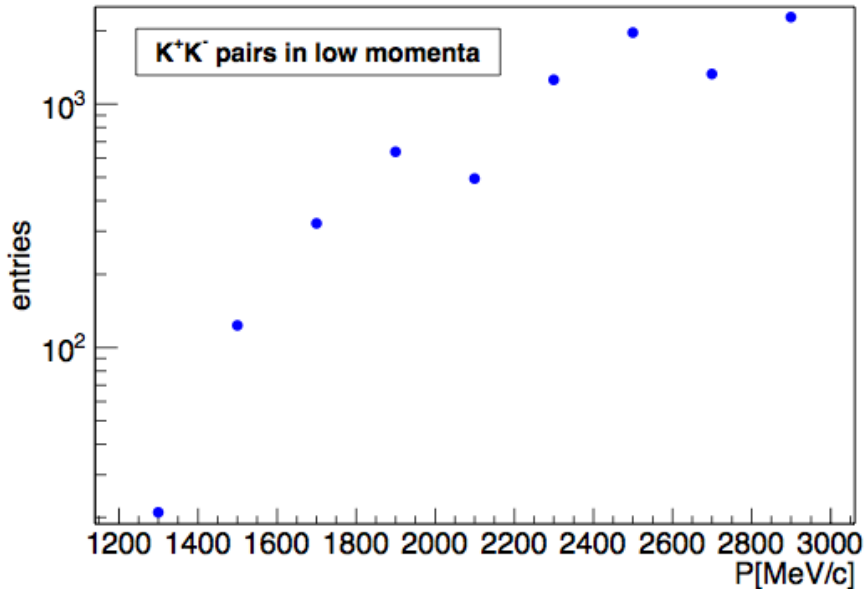
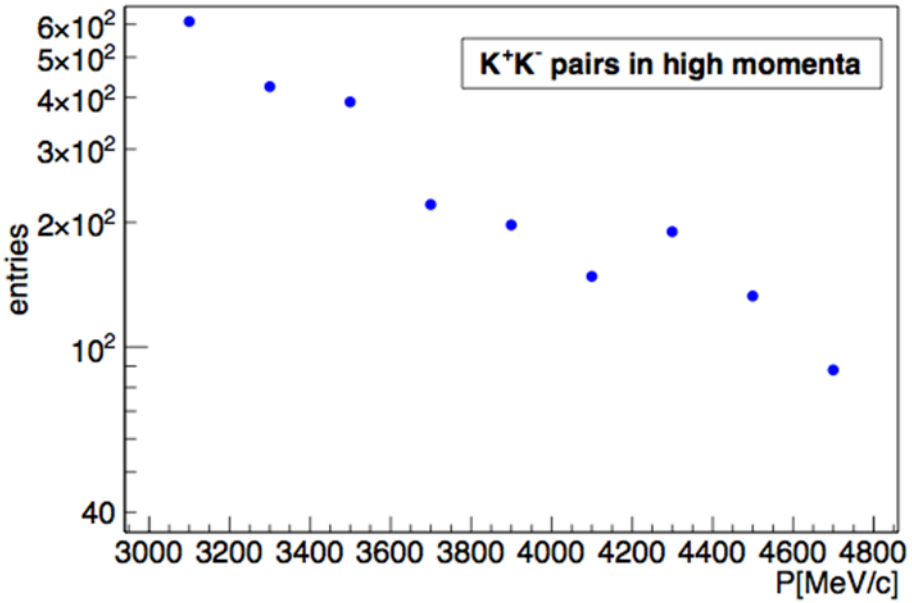
The $\pi^+\pi^-$ K^+K^- and p-antiproton numbers of pairs as a function of their momentum









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DIRAC prospects at SPS CERN

Yield of dimeson atoms per one p-Ni interaction, detectable by DIRAC setup

E_p	PS - 24 GeV			SPS - 450 GeV								
Θ_{lab}	5.7^0			5.7^0			4^0			2^0		
Atoms	$\pi^+\pi^-$	$K^-\pi^+$	$K^+\pi^-$	$\pi^+\pi^-$	$K^-\pi^+$	$K^+\pi^-$	$\pi^+\pi^-$	$K^-\pi^+$	$K^+\pi^-$	$\pi^+\pi^-$	$K^-\pi^+$	$K^+\pi^-$
W_A^N/W_π^N	1	1	1	3.3	2.6	1.6	2.9	6.0	4.6	1.2	4.0	3.2
				A multiplier factor due to spill duration: ~ 4								
Total gain				13	10	6	12	24	18	5	16	13

Thank you
for your attention!

$K^+\pi^-$ and $K^-\pi^+$ pairs analysis

	$K^-\pi^+$ pairs 2008-2010	$K^+\pi^-$ pairs 2008-2010	$K^-\pi^+$ and $K^+\pi^-$ pairs sum 2008-2010
$N_A(Q_L)$	206±25	432±44	638±50
$N_A(Q_L-Q_T)$	188±21	465±37	653±42
$n_A(Q_L)$	60±39	140±66	200±76
$n_A(Q_L-Q_T)$	82±26	96±41	178±49
$P_{br}(Q_L)$	0.29±0.22	0.32±0.18	0.31±0.14
$P_{br}(Q_L-Q_T)$	0.44±0.18	0.21±0.10	0.27±0.09
P_{br}^{theor}			$0.278\pm^{0.012}_{0.011}$

Published results on $\pi^+\pi^-$ atom lifetime and scattering length

DIRAC data	τ_{1s} (10^{-15} s) value	stat	syst	*theo**	tot	$\lvert a_0-a_2\rvert$ value	stat	syst	*theo**	tot	Reference
2001	2.91	$^{+0.45}_{-0.38}$	$^{+0.19}_{-0.49}$		$^{+0.49}_{-0.62}$	0.264	$^{+0.017}_{-0.020}$	$^{+0.022}_{-0.009}$		$^{+0.033}_{-0.020}$	PL B 619 (2005) 50
2001-3	3.15	$^{+0.20}_{-0.19}$	$^{+0.20}_{-0.18}$		$^{+0.28}_{-0.26}$	0.2533	$^{+0.0078}_{-0.0080}$	$^{+0.0072}_{-0.0077}$		$^{+0.0106}_{-0.0111}$	PL B 704 (2011) 24

* theoretical uncertainty included in systematic error

NA48	K-decay	a_0-a_2 value	stat	syst	theo	Reference
2009	$K_{3\pi}$	0.2571 ± 0.0048	± 0.0029	± 0.0088		EPJ C64 (2009) 589
2010	K_{e4} & $K_{3\pi}$	0.2639 ± 0.0020	± 0.0015			EPJ C70 (2010) 635

DIRAC Budget

DIRAC expenses in 2014 (CHF)

4000	Cars
1000	Telephone
115000	Subsistence for data processing and analysis
90000	Salary
210000	**TOTAL**

DIRAC resources in 2014 (CHF) (November 10,2013)
without subsistence costs of Prague, Japan and Bucharest groups which participate in the data processing and analysis.

36000	Reserve from 2013
56000	JINR 60000$ were requested for 2014 100000$ were contributed for 2013 including expenses for DIRAC's dismantling
30000	Russia 32000$ were requested for 2014 42000$ were contributed for 2013 including expenses for DIRAC's dismantling
10000	Prague (as contributed in 2013)
5000	Japan (as contributed in 2013)
15000	Romania (expectation) 30000 were contributed in 2013 including expenses for DIRAC's dismantling
152000	**TOTAL**

In summary:

210000	Expenses
152000	Resources - DIRAC resources (December 16,2013)
58000	**Deficit**