

# Penta-quark search via ( $\pi^-$ , $K^-$ ) reaction

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## Outline

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# Introduction

- Report on Penta-quark  $\Theta^+$ 
  - Spring-8/LEPS, DIANA, CLAS, SAPHIR.....

Exciting field to study from theoretical and experimental aspect

- **Photo-production, High energy experiment**

- Several groups report about penta-quark

- Mesonic production

- DIANA ( $K^+$  beam and Xe bubble chamber)

- **Width, Spin, Parity** .....not determined

 Need more statistics

- We propose  $K^+$ (KEK-PS E559) and  $\pi^-$  (**E522**) beam experiment.

Confirmation of  $\Theta^+$

Cross section with  $\pi^-$  reaction

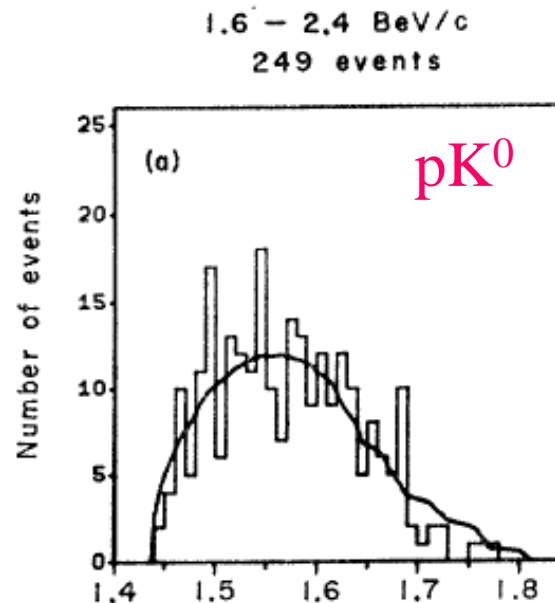
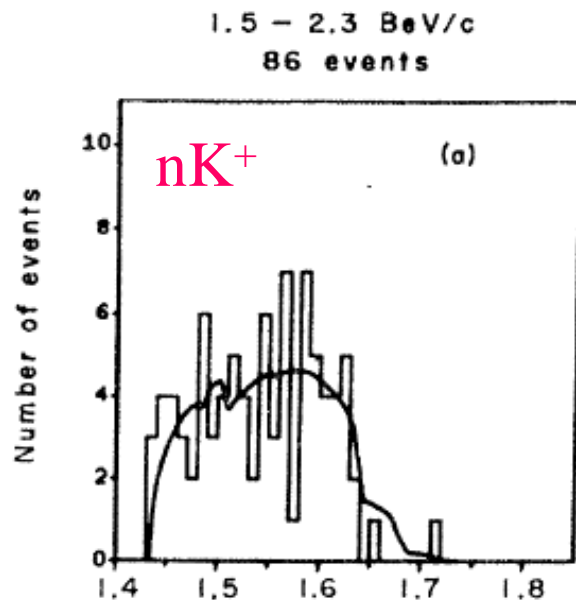
# Possible ( $\pi^-$ , $K^-$ ) Reactions

- |   |           |                     |                |                               |                         |
|---|-----------|---------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| ✓ | $\pi^- p$ | $\Theta^+ K^-$      | $K(K^+n/K^0p)$ |                               | @ $p_{th} = 1.71$ GeV/c |
| ✓ | $\pi^- p$ | $K^-(K^+n/pK^0)$    |                | $\sigma \sim 26.2 \mu b$      | @ $p_{th} = 1.50$ GeV/c |
| ✓ | $\pi^- p$ | $\phi n$            | $K^- K^+ n$    | $\sigma = 30.0 \pm 8.0 \mu b$ | @ $p_{th} = 1.56$ GeV/c |
| ✓ | $\pi^- p$ | $\Lambda(1520) K^0$ | $K^- p K^0$    | $\sigma = 20.8 \pm 5.0 \mu b$ | @ $p_{th} = 1.68$ GeV/c |

➔ Not so huge back ground

Old ( $\pi^-$ ,  $K^-$ )  $pK^0/nK^+$  data

O. I. Dahl et al.,  
Phys. Rev. 163, 1377 (1967)



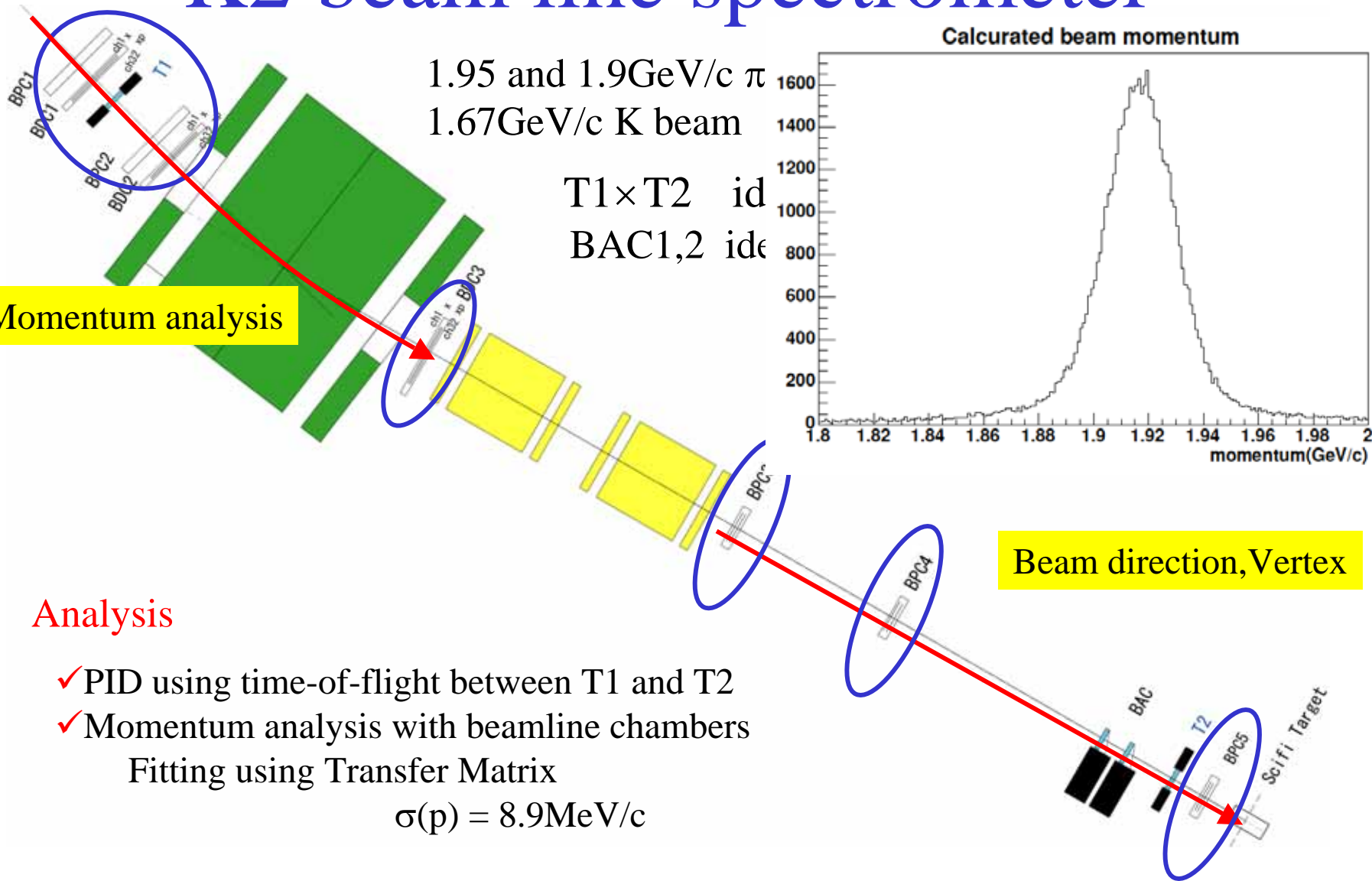
There is no signal  
around expected region  
But low statistics

# KEK-PS E522

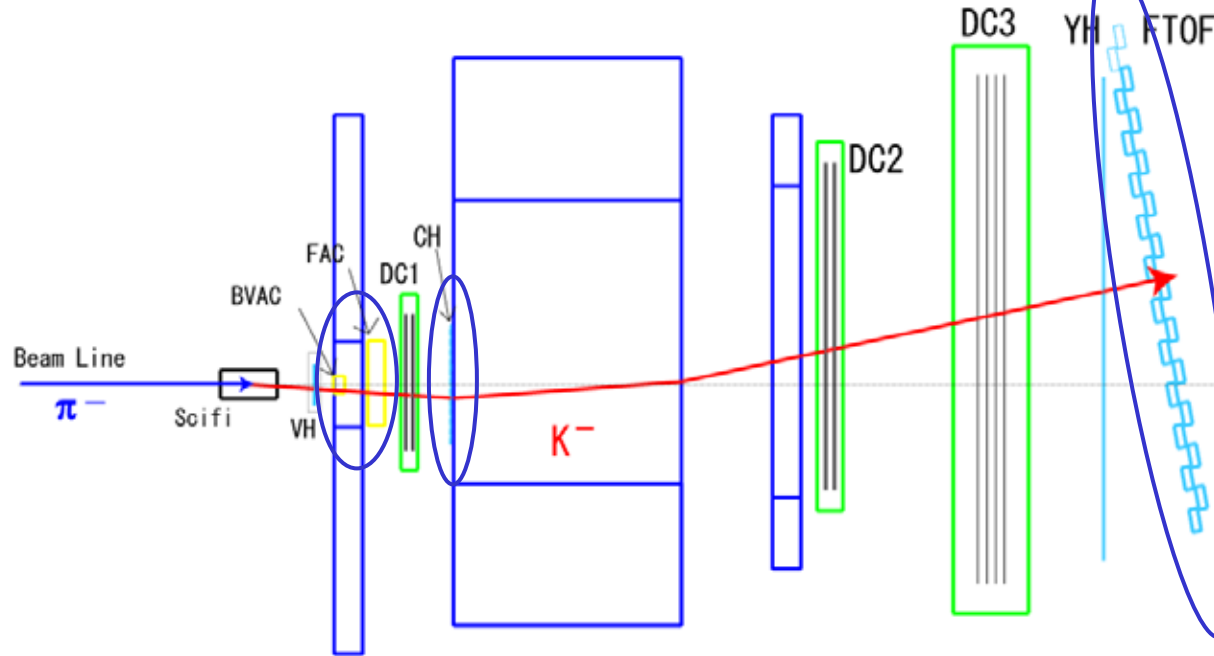
- KEK-PS K2 beam line
- Objects
  - H-dibaryon resonance search via ( $K^-, K^+$ ) reaction
  - Kaonic Nuclei search via ( $K^-, p$ ) reaction
  - ✓  $\Theta^+$  search via ( $\pi^-, K^-$ ) reaction

$P_{\text{beam}}$ (GeV/c)	target	$\pi^-$ beam	( $\pi^-, K^-$ ) event	comment
1.9	Scifi	$2.9 \times 10^9$	$17 \times 10^3$	Scifi two times thicker
1.9	CH <sub>2</sub>	$4.2 \times 10^9$	$14 \times 10^3$	
1.95	CH <sub>2</sub>	$7.4 \times 10^9$	$40 \times 10^3$	
1.9, 1.95	Carbon			Contribution of Carbon
1.9, 1.95 $\pi^+$	CH <sub>2</sub>		( $\pi^+, K^+$ ) reaction	To check $\Sigma^+$

# K2 beam line spectrometer



# Forward spectrometer



Trigger

1st level

$$\overline{\text{BVAC}} \times \overline{\text{FAC}} \times \text{CT} \times \text{YH}$$

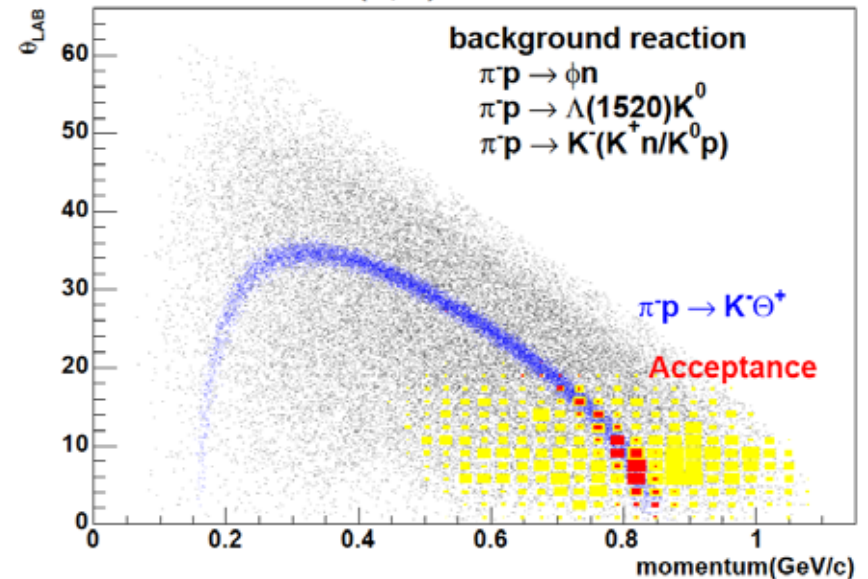
2nd level

mass trigger

VH coincidence

FAC for veto of  $\pi^-$   
 eff for  $\pi^-$  --- 95%  
 BVAC for veto of  $\pi^-$   
 eff for  $\pi^-$  --- 99.5%

Kinematics of  $(\pi^-, K^-)$  reaction at 1.9 GeV/c

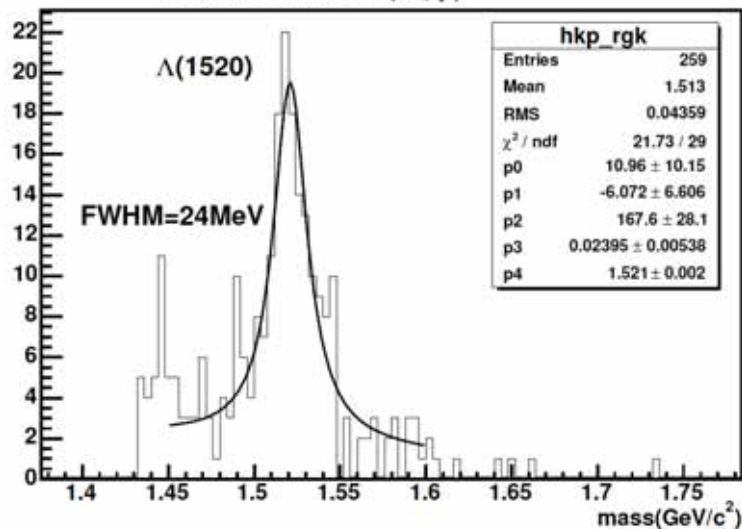


# Analysis of scattered particle

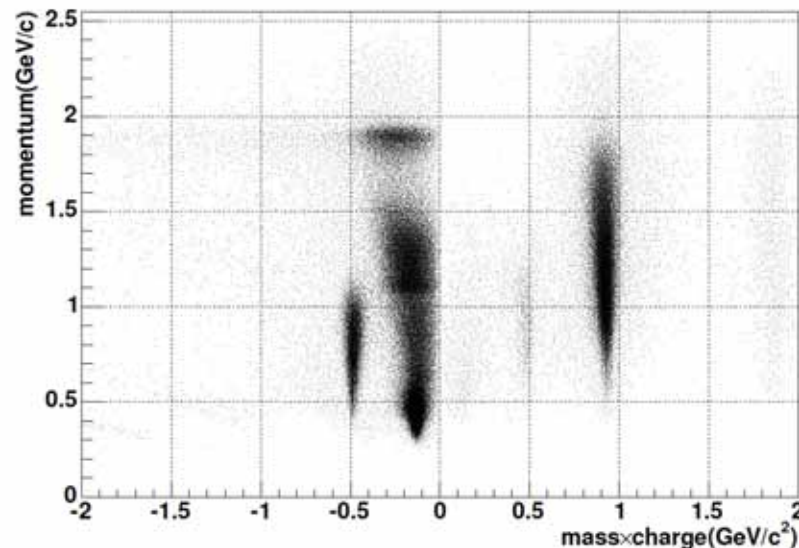
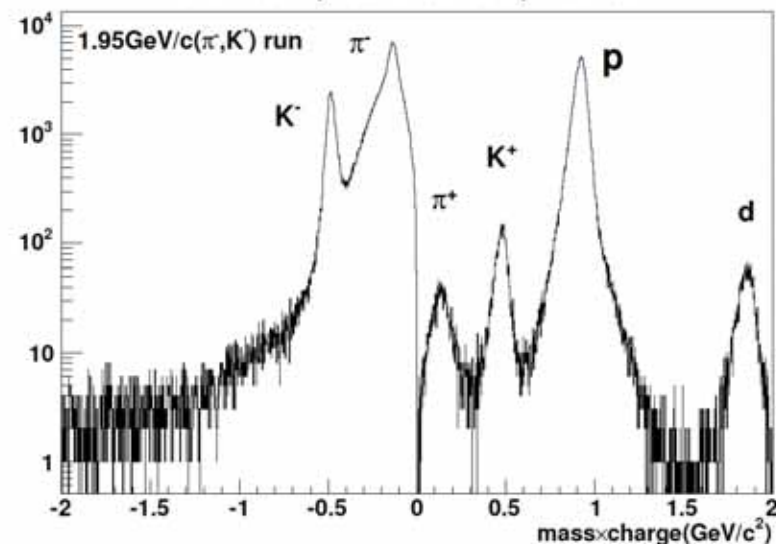
- Strait tracking
  - Bending point
  - Decay reject
  - Consistency of tracks between upstream and down stream of Manget
- Use Runge-Kutta method



Invariant mass of ( $K^+$ , p)

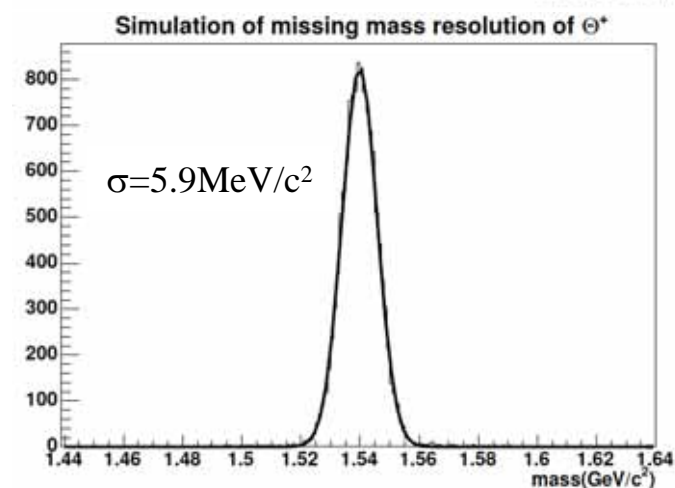
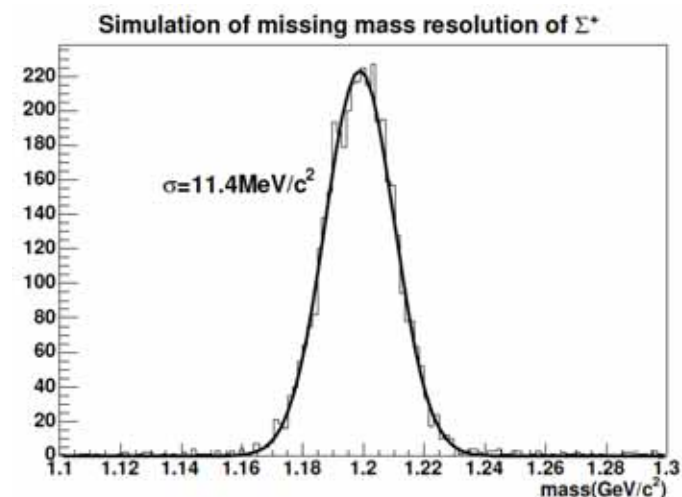


Scattered particle mass spectrum



# Simulation of missing mass resolution

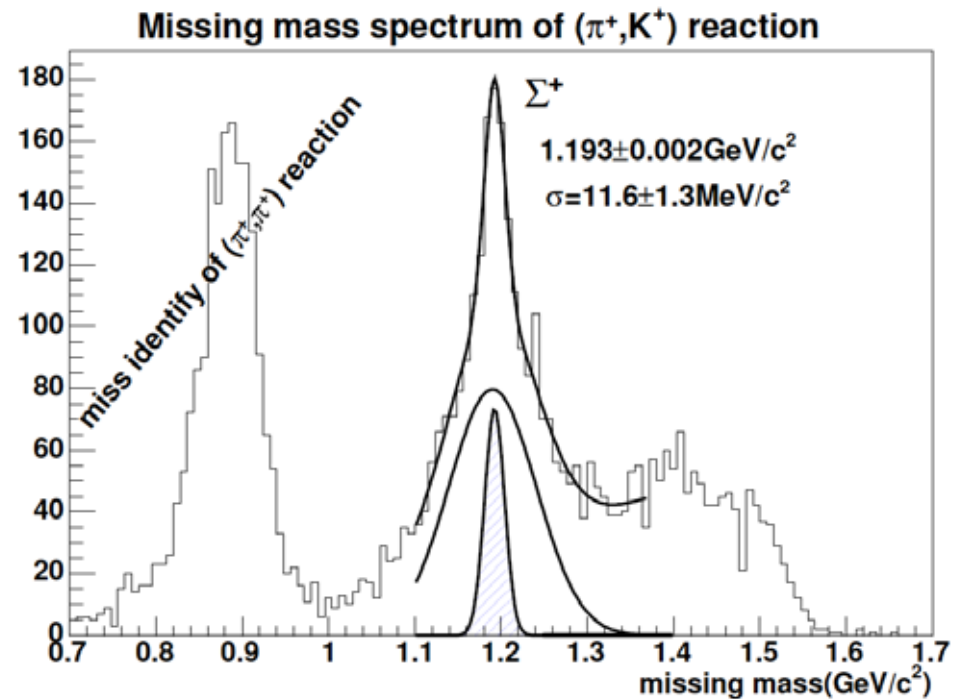
- GEANT simulation
  - Chamber resolution
  - Generate at random position inside the target
  - Include energy deposit (and decay)
  - $\Delta p_{\text{Beam}} = 8.6 \text{ MeV}/c$
- For  $\Theta^+$  case,  $\sigma = 5.94 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ 
  - $P_{\text{K}^-} \sim 0.85 \text{ GeV}/c \rightarrow$  large bending angle





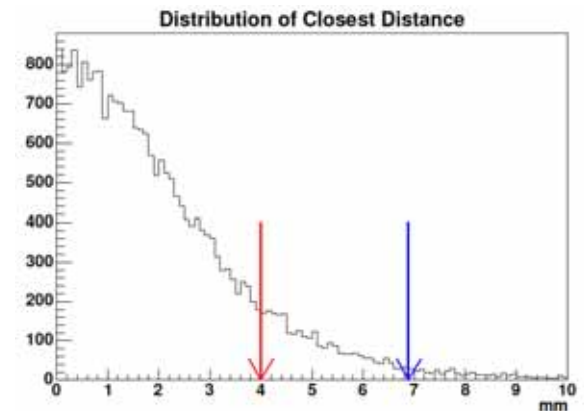
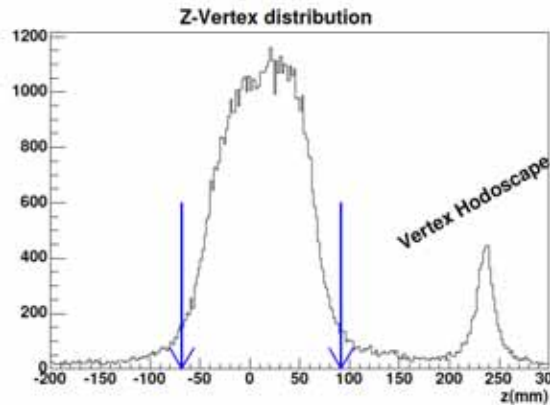
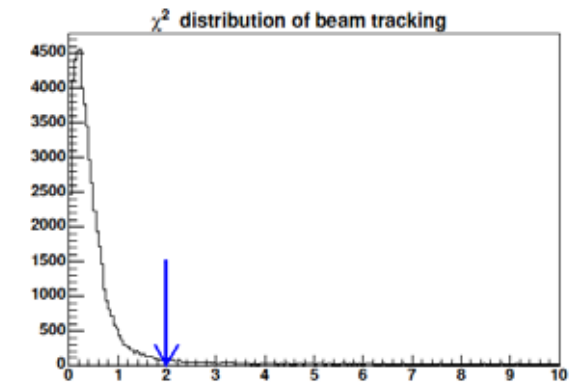
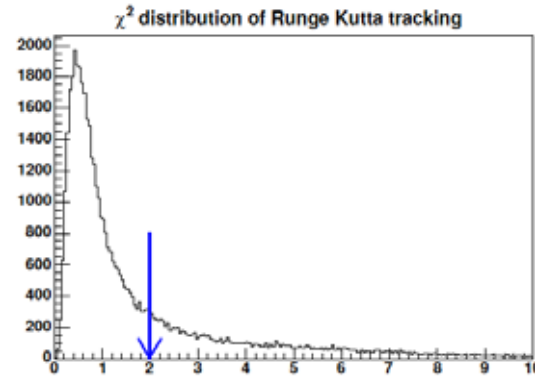
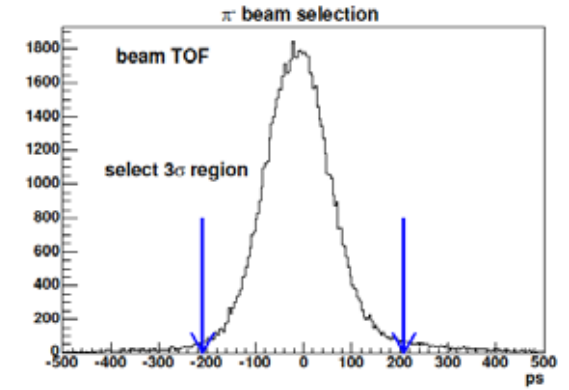
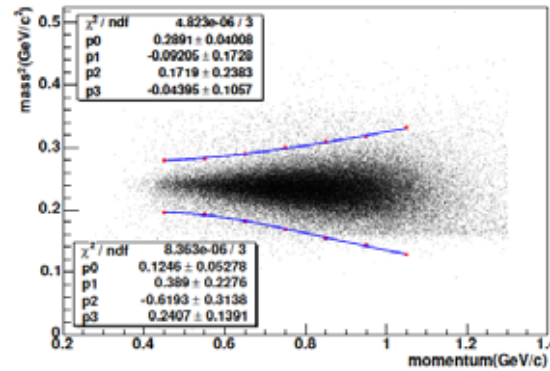
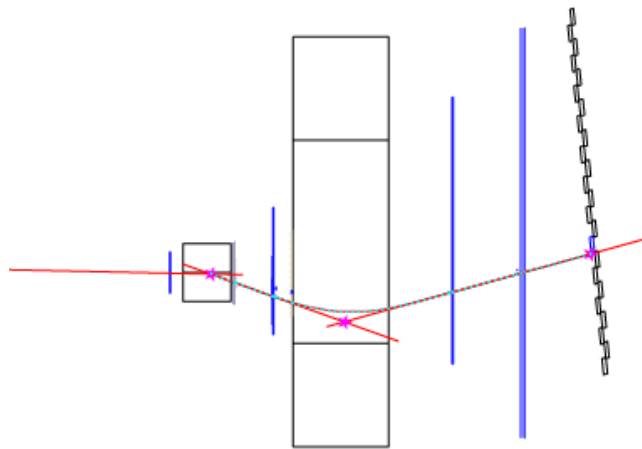
# Missing mass spectrum of $(\pi^+, K^+)$ reaction

- ✓ Inverse reaction of  $(\pi^-, K^-)$
- ✓ Observe  $\Sigma^+$  peak



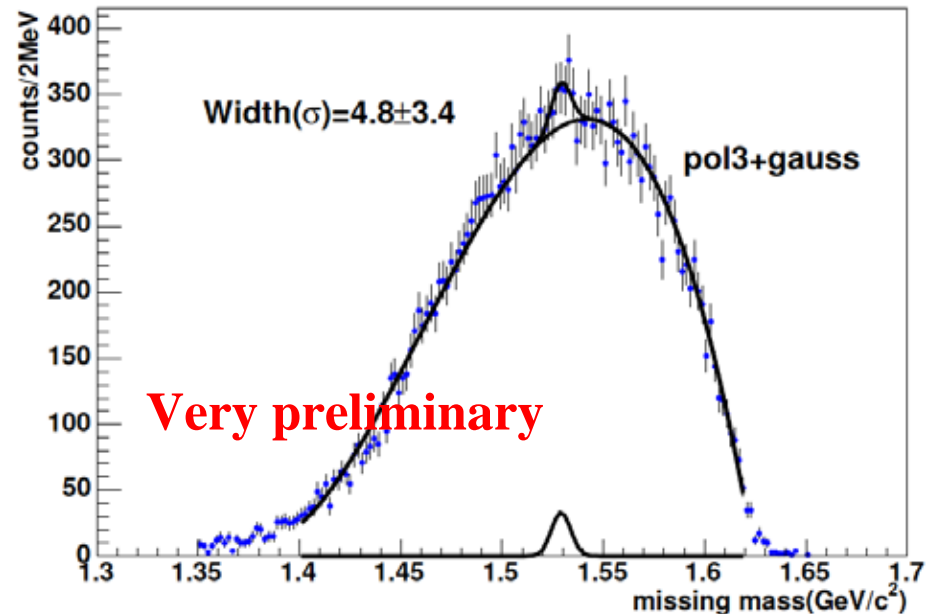
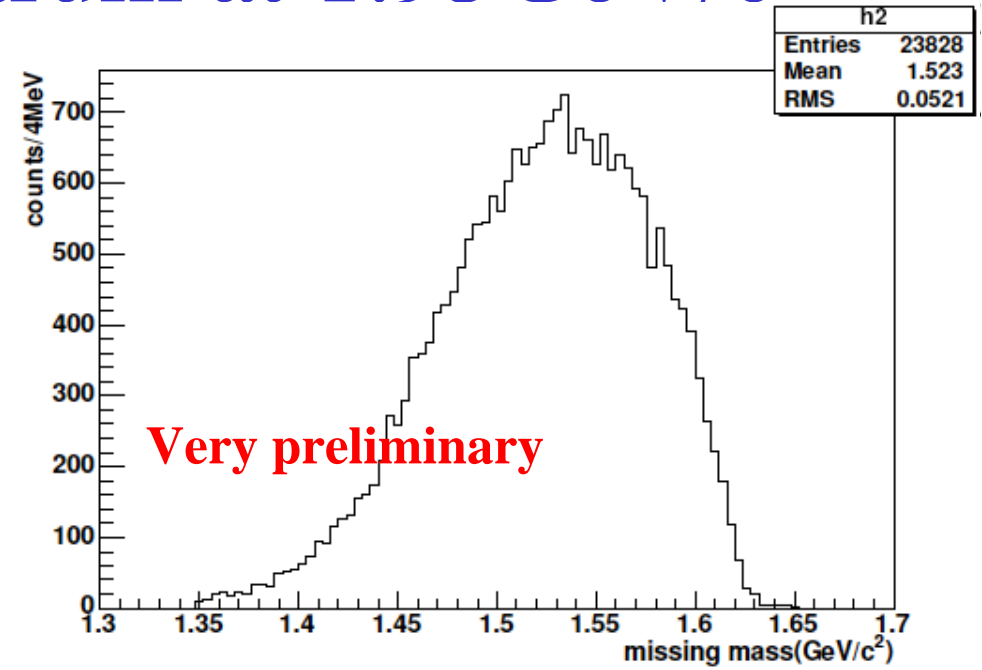
# Missing mass analysis of $(\pi^-, K^-)$ reaction

- Cut
  - Scattered particle –  $K^-$
  - Beam particle --  $\pi^-$
  - Chi-square of runge-kutta tracking
  - Chi-square of beam tracking
  - Vertex position
  - Distance at vertex



# Missing mass spectrum at 1.95 GeV/c

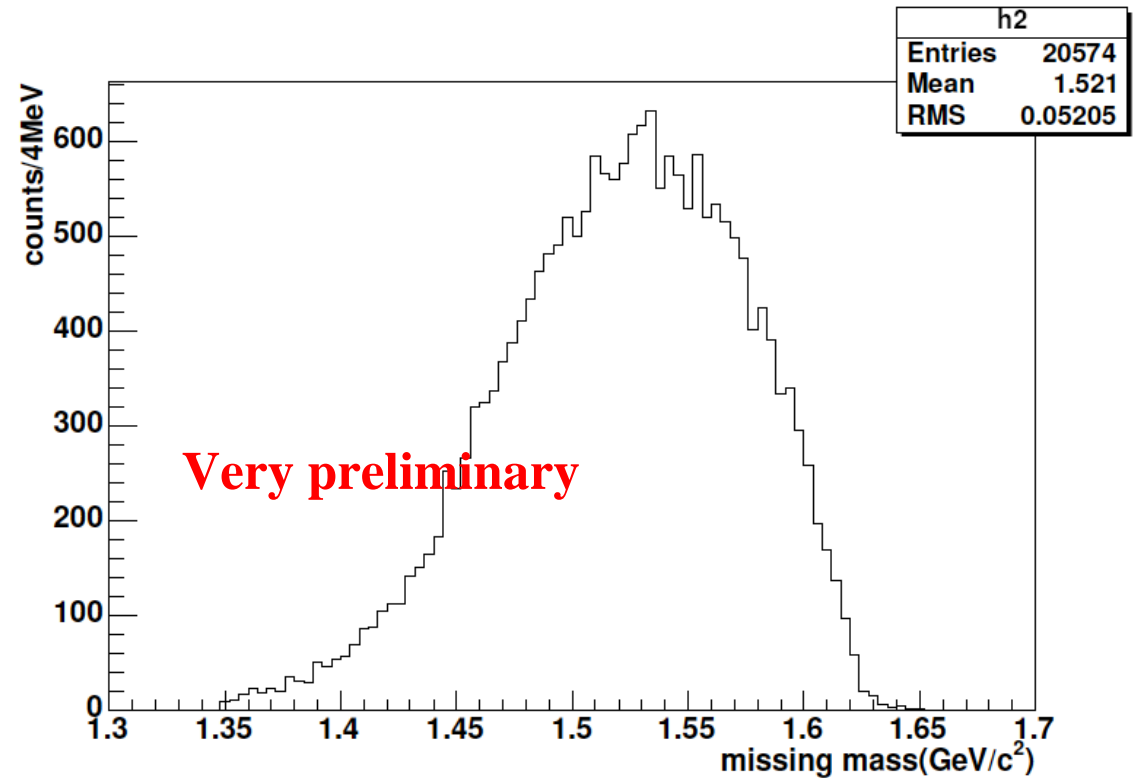
- Obtained missing mass spectrum
- We did not apply any strict cut
- There is structure around 1.53 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
  - Statistical fluctuation?
- We need study of background



# Spectrum with strict cut

Cut strictly

- ✓ Mass cut  $\rightarrow 2\sigma$
- ✓ closest Distance  $< 4\text{mm}$

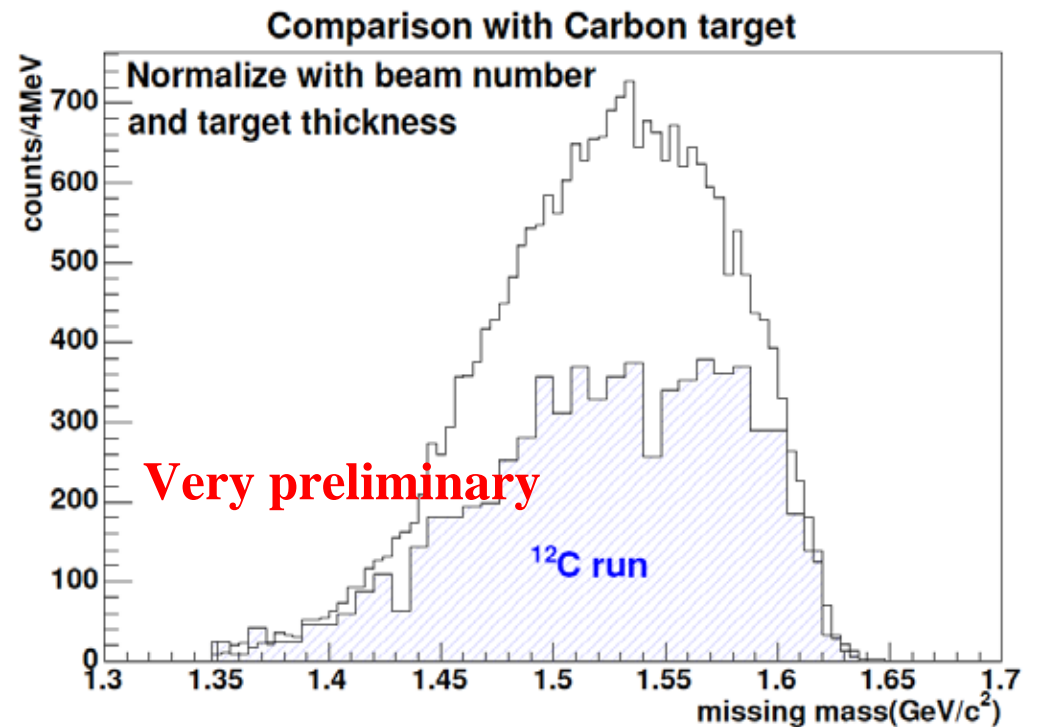


We need reasonable cut to increase S/N ratio.

**Our study is still underway.**

# Comparison with Carbon data

- Carbon target
  - Thickness 5cm
  - Density 1.78g/cm<sup>3</sup>
- Beam counts
  - CH<sub>2</sub> 7.4\*10<sup>9</sup>
  - Carbon 8.5\*10<sup>8</sup>
- Normalize with beam counts and target number → 8.4
- N(proton)=9175
- N(Carbon)=14137
- N(p):N(C) = 2:3



# Upper limit estimation of cross section

- ✓  $\pi^-p \rightarrow K^-(K^+n/pK^0)$   $\sigma \sim 26.2\mu\text{b}$  @ $p_{\text{th}} = 1.50 \text{ GeV}/c$
- ✓  $\pi^-p \rightarrow \phi n \rightarrow K^-K^+n$   $\sigma = 30.0 \pm 8.0 \mu\text{b}$  @ $p_{\text{th}} = 1.56 \text{ GeV}/c$
- ✓  $\pi^-p \rightarrow \Lambda(1520)K^0 \rightarrow K^-pK^0$   $\sigma = 20.8 \pm 5.0 \mu\text{b}$  @ $p_{\text{th}} = 1.68 \text{ GeV}/c$

Sum of background cross section =  $77\mu\text{b}$

Num of  $\Theta < 190$  (but depend on back ground)

Contribution from proton(background) --- 9175

$$\frac{N(\text{peak})}{N(\text{B.G})} \approx \frac{\sigma(\text{peak})}{\sigma(\text{B.G})}$$

$$\frac{77}{9175} \times 190 \approx 1.6\mu\text{b}$$

**Very preliminary**

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{N_{\Theta} \times \text{Cor}(\text{track}) \times \text{Cor}(\text{decay}) \times \text{Cor}(\text{Analysis}) \times \text{Cor}(\text{DAQ})}{N_{\text{Beam}} \times N_{\text{Target}}}$$

✓ Eff(track)  $\geq 0.75$

✓ Eff(analysis)  $\geq 0.56$

✓ Eff(Decay) = 0.57

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \approx 0.2\mu\text{b}/\text{sr}$$

Assuming s-wave, about 10% of  $K^-$  go to spectrometer  $\rightarrow \sigma \sim 2\mu\text{b}$

**Very preliminary**

# Theoretical calculation

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Calculation with effective interaction Lagrangian

→ various  $g_{K^*N\Theta}$

→ form factor

$\pi$  Production  $\sim 100 \mu\text{b}$

→ sensitive to  $g_{K^*N\Theta}$

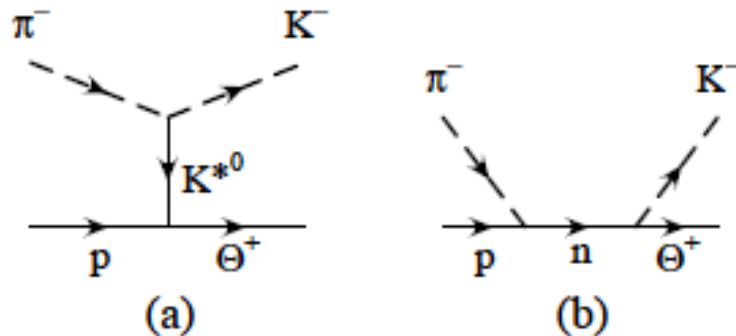
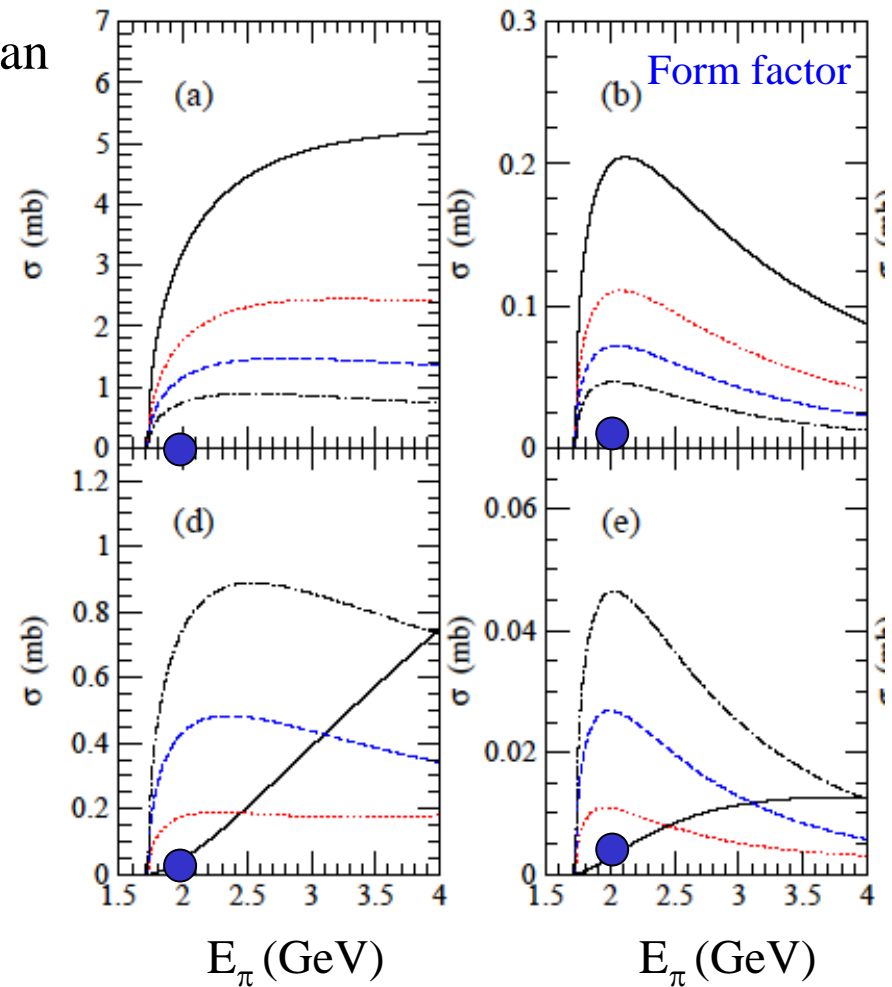


FIG. 6: Diagrams for  $\pi^- p \rightarrow K^- \Theta^+$  reaction.

Cross section for  $\pi^- p \rightarrow K^- \Theta^+$



Yongseok Oh *et al.*, hep-ph/0310019

# Summary

- We carried out E522 experiment to search  $\Theta^+$  via  $(\pi^-, K^-)$  reaction at KEK-PS K2 beam line.
- We used 1.95 GeV/c  $\pi^-$  beam and CH<sub>2</sub> target.
- We obtained the missing mass resolution for  $\Theta^+$  to be 5.9 MeV.
- In the missing mass spectrum of  $(\pi^-, K^-)$  reaction, there is enhancement around 1.53 GeV/c<sup>2</sup> but not significant.
- Even if this enhancement is statistical fluctuation, we can estimate upper limit of cross section, and obtained about 2  $\mu$ b assuming  $K^-$  is scattered with s-wave.