

Research and Development of Range Counter

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COMET

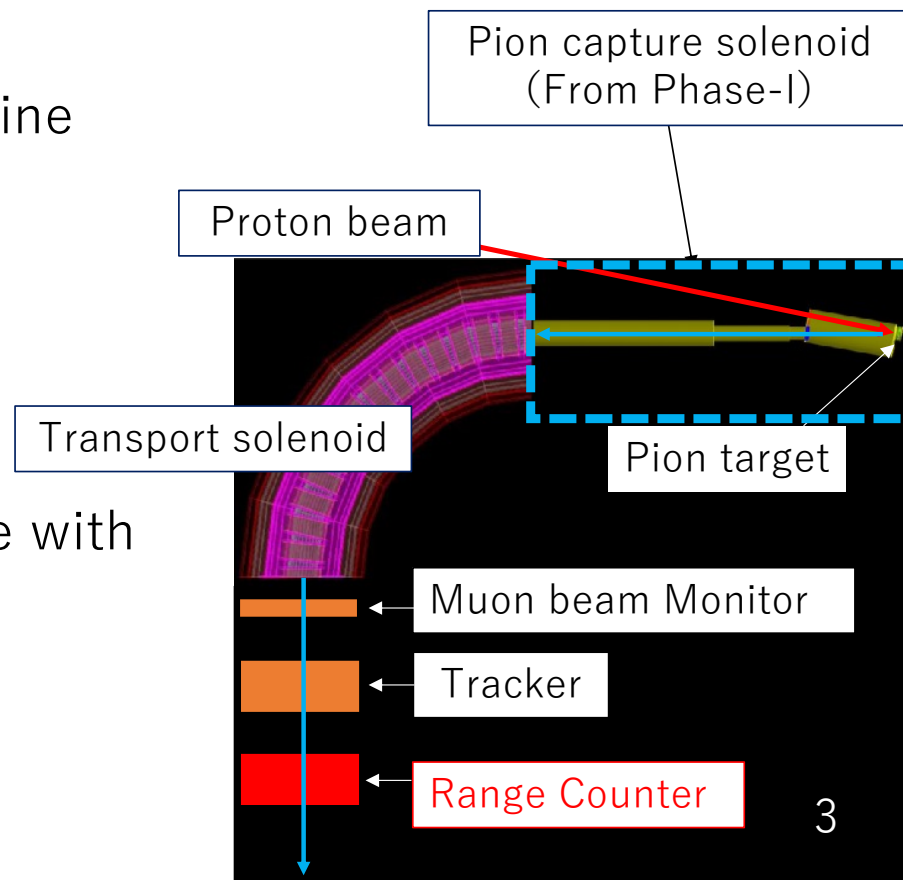
Experiment to explore the muon-to-electron conversion process in muonic atoms @J-PARC

- **COMET Phase- α** ... Test of the COMET beamline

- Purpose
 - Investigate the profile of proton beam
 - Validate Simulation
 - Investigate the property of muon beam
- Beamtime
 - FY 2023

Measuring particles coming from the beamline with various detectors

- Beam profile : Scintillating fiber hodoscope
- Beam direction : Straw tracker
- Particles and its momenta : Range Counter



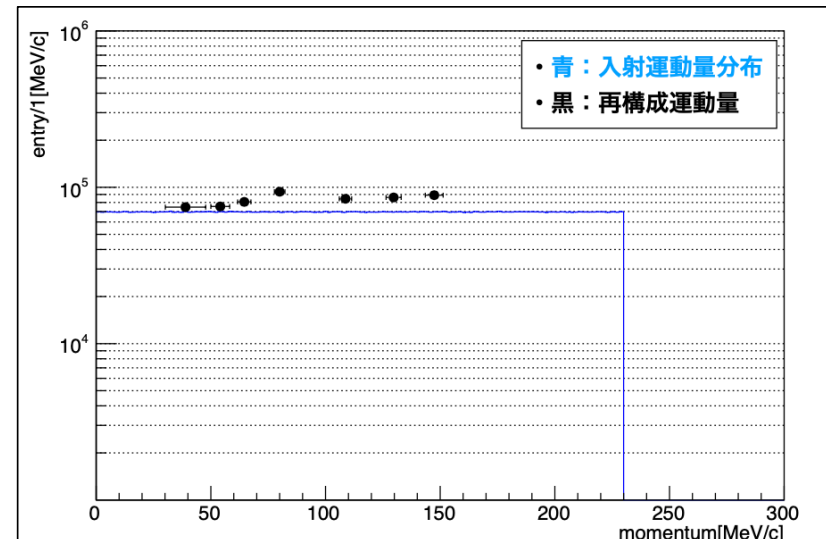
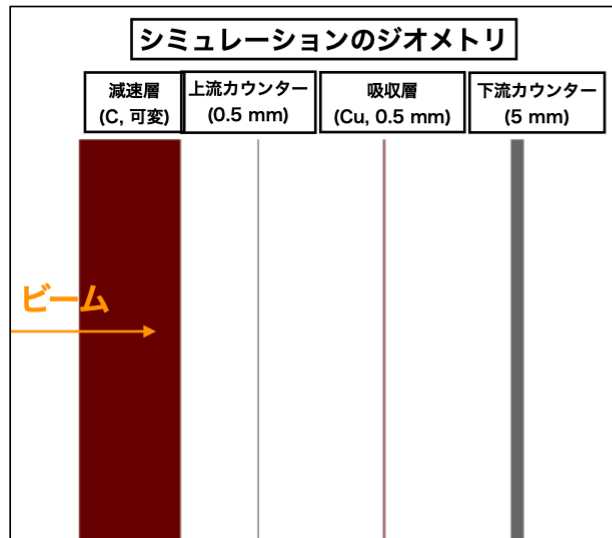
Development of Range Counter system

- **Purpose of the Range Counter**

- Measurement of the momentum distribution of each particle and its yield

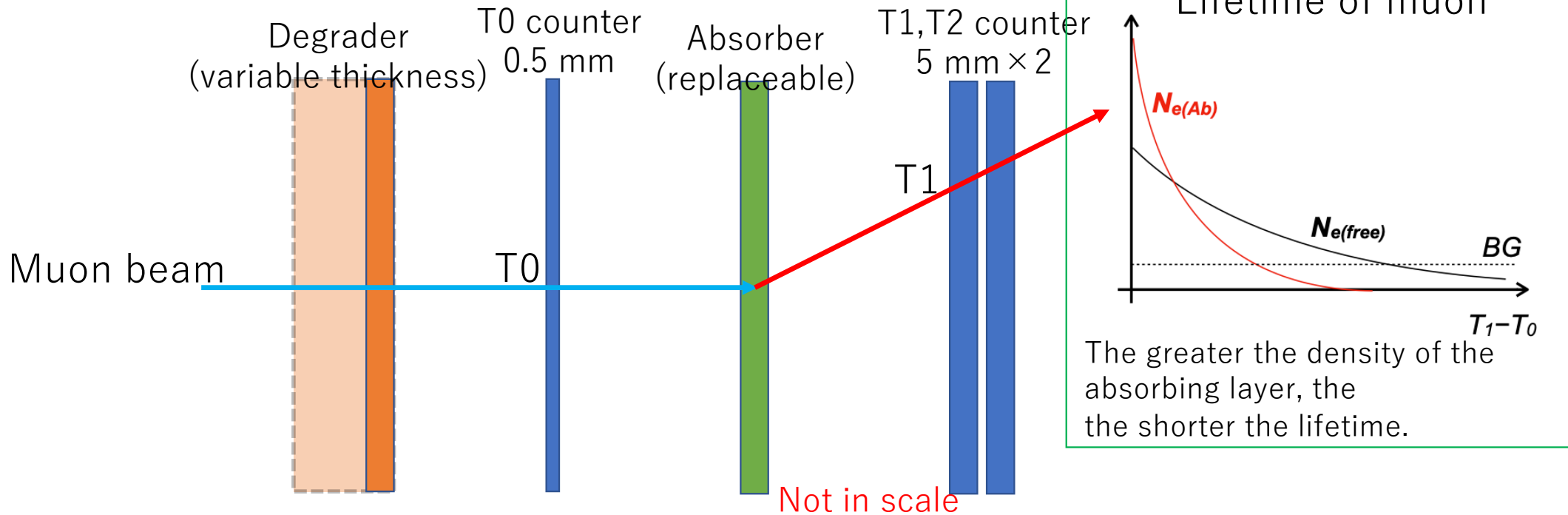
- **Previous study** (Osaka Univ. Y.Higuchi JPS 第77回年次大会)

- A simple model of the range counter was created in a computer simulation and the muon momentum distribution was reconstructed in a computer simulation.



The muon momentum distribution was reconstructed by simulation. Based on that, I have constructed the real Range Counter system. 4

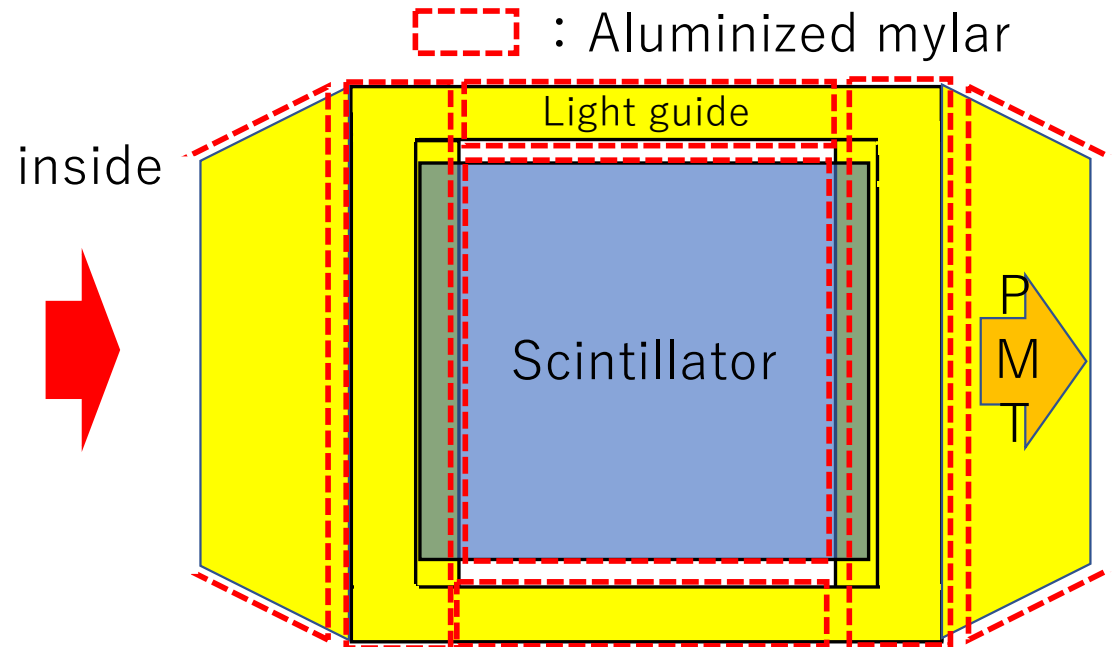
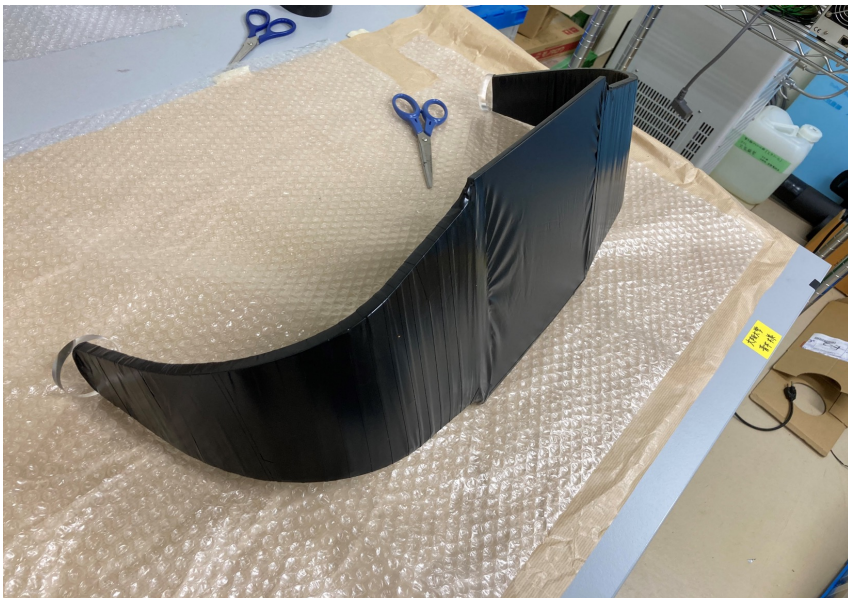
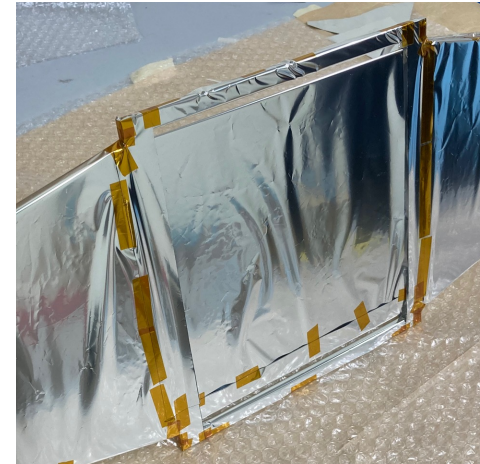
Design of Range Counter



- Select the event with which a muon has stopped in absorber and calculate $T_1 - T_0$.
- $T_1 - T_0$ spectrum means the lifetime of particle which stopped in absorber.
 - ⇒ Particle identification
- We can change the thickness of the degrader so that the certain range of momentum is selected to be stopped in the absorber.
 - ⇒ Reconstruction of beam momentum spectrum

T0 counter

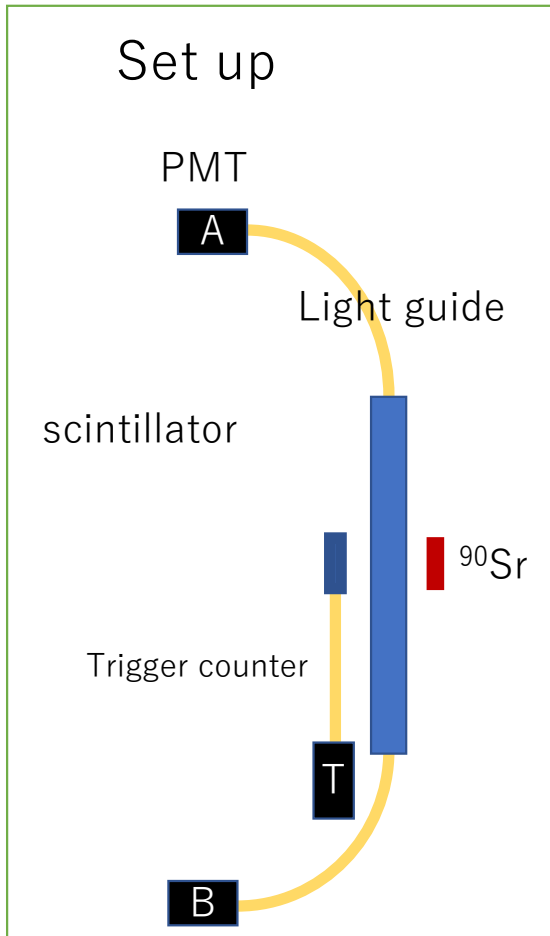
- Plastic Scintillator(EJ-212)
20 cm × 20 cm × 0.5 mm
- Light guide : Acryl
- Reflector : Aluminized mylar
- Read out : Fine mesh PMT (Hamamatsu Photonics H6154)



T0 counter operation check

Purpose

- Confirmation that we can see the signal using 0.5 mm thick scintillator.
- Find the number of photons reaching PMT A and B

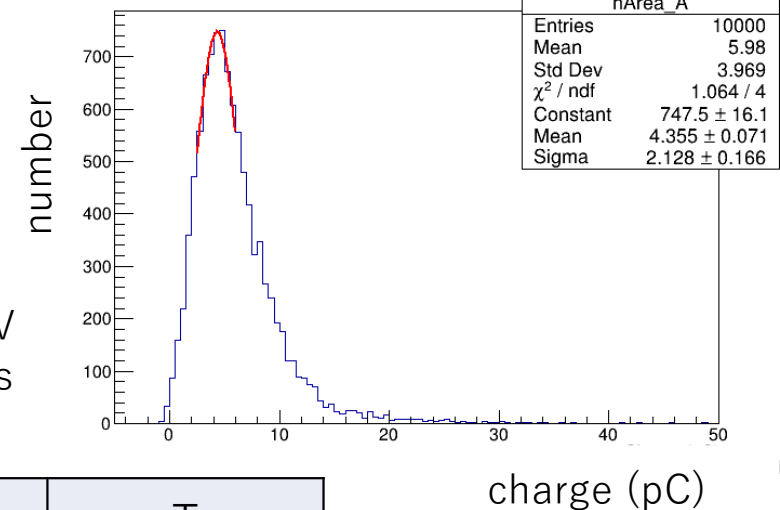


Signals



Unit(/1div)
Ver : 100 mV
Hori : 100 ns

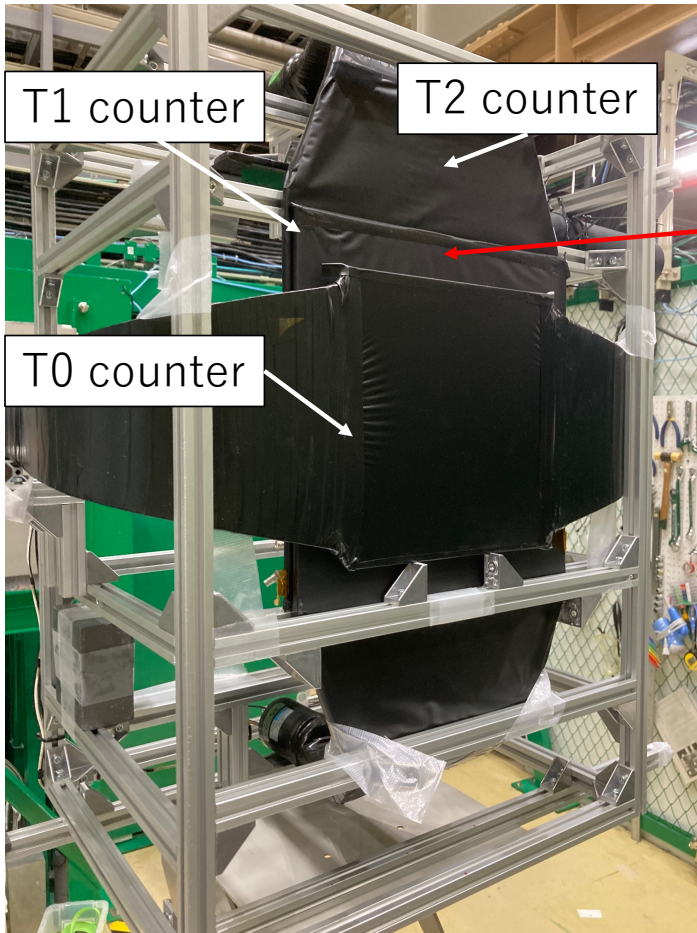
Area of signal (Charge)



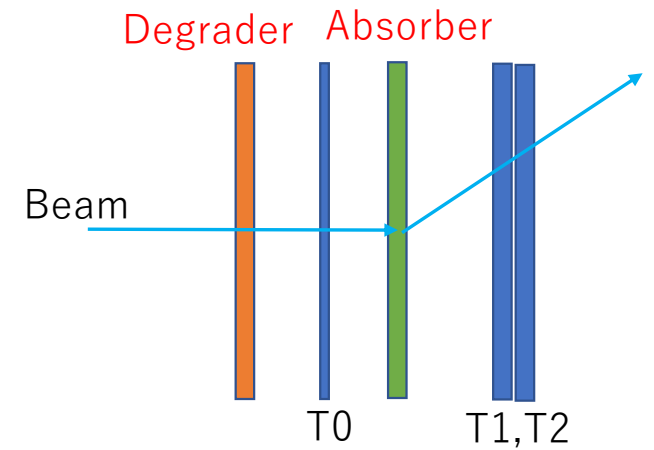
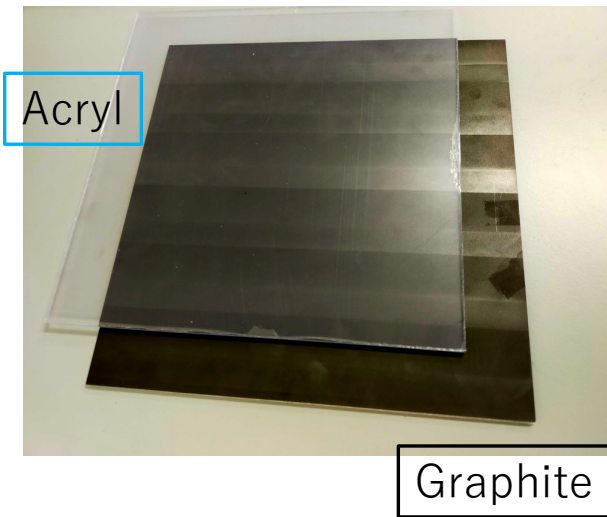
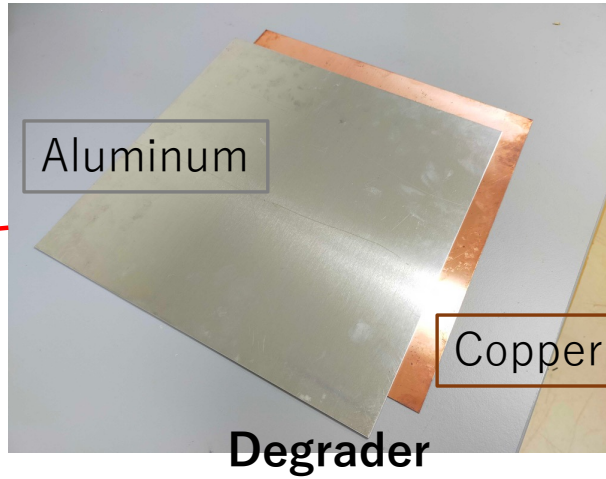
| PMT | A | B | T |
|--------------|-----|-----|------|
| Ave. photons | 4.6 | 5.6 | 92.3 |

→ I could see photons were produced and reaching the PMT.

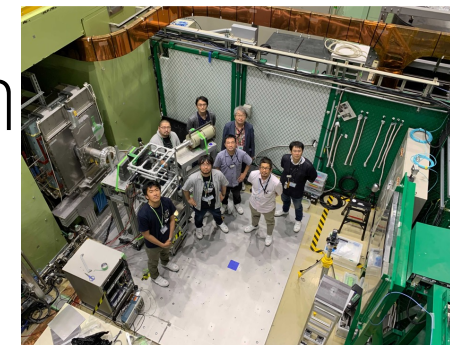
Range Counter Prototype



Absorber

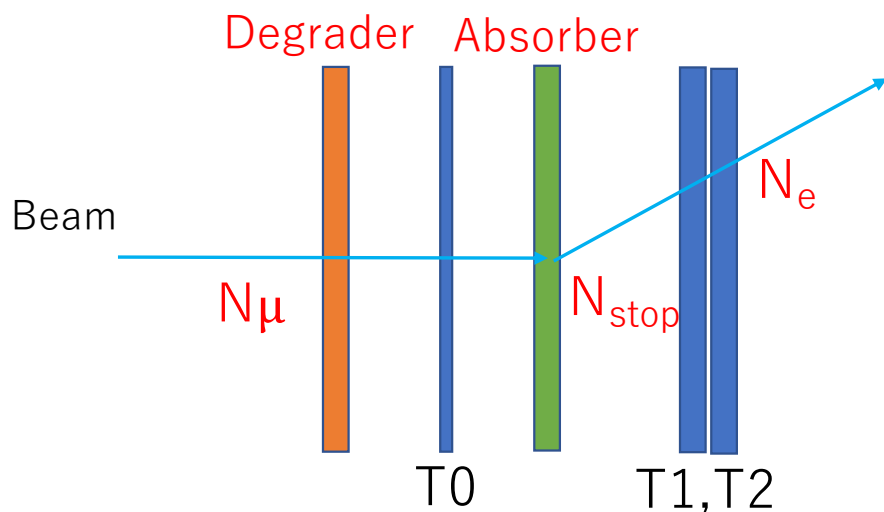


Range Counter test @ MLF muon beam

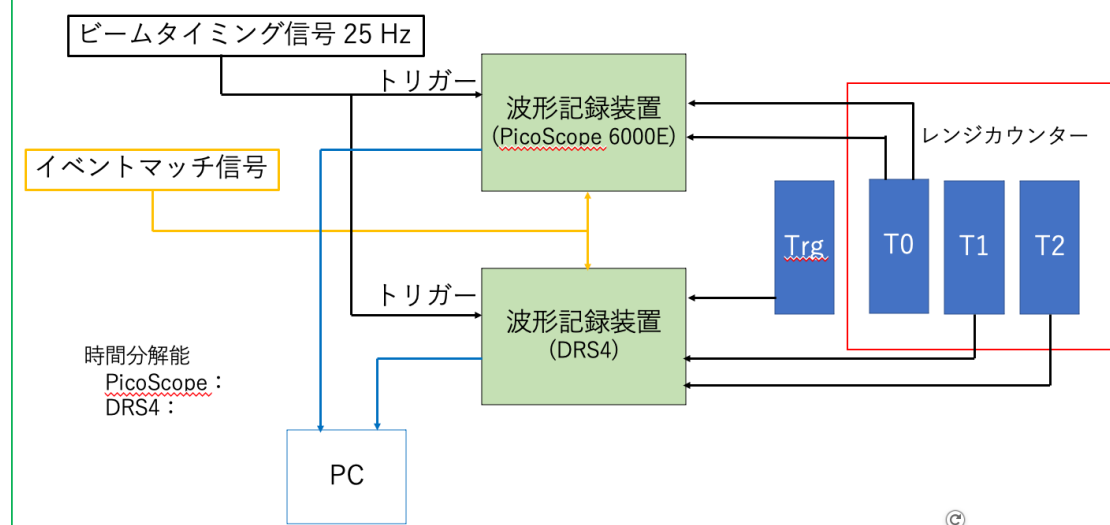


• Overview

- J-PARC MLF
- 2022/6/4,5,6
- D2 beamline
- 45 MeV/ c muon beam

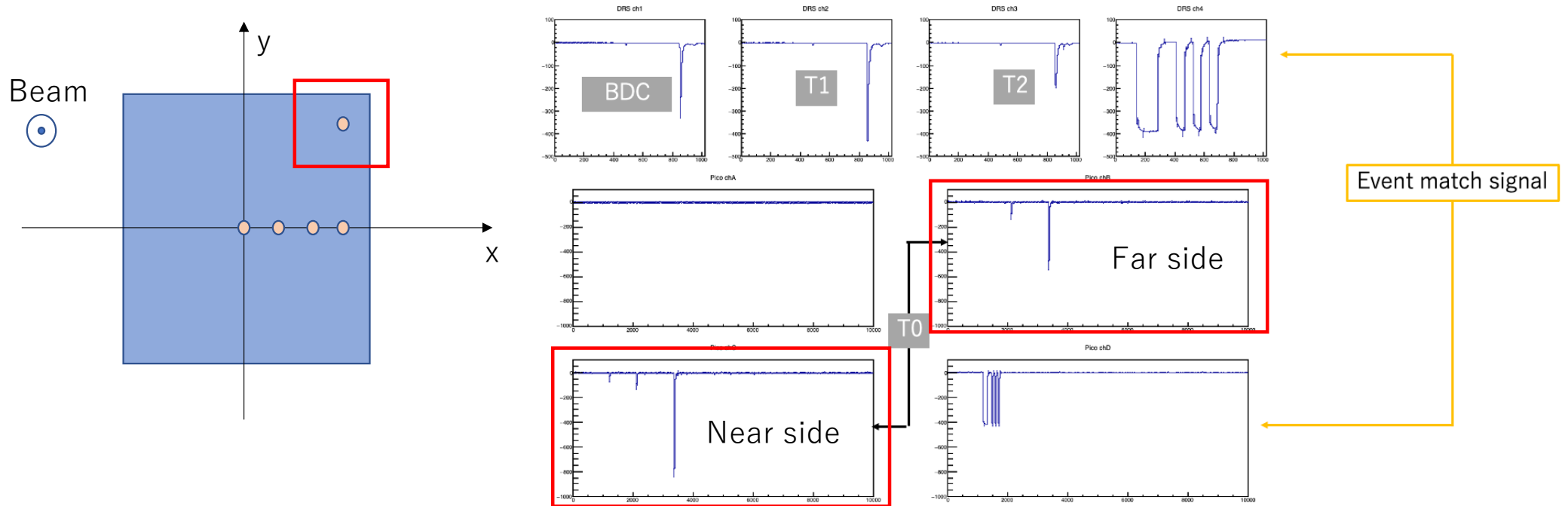


読み出し (略図)



The range counter system with DAQ functioned very well.

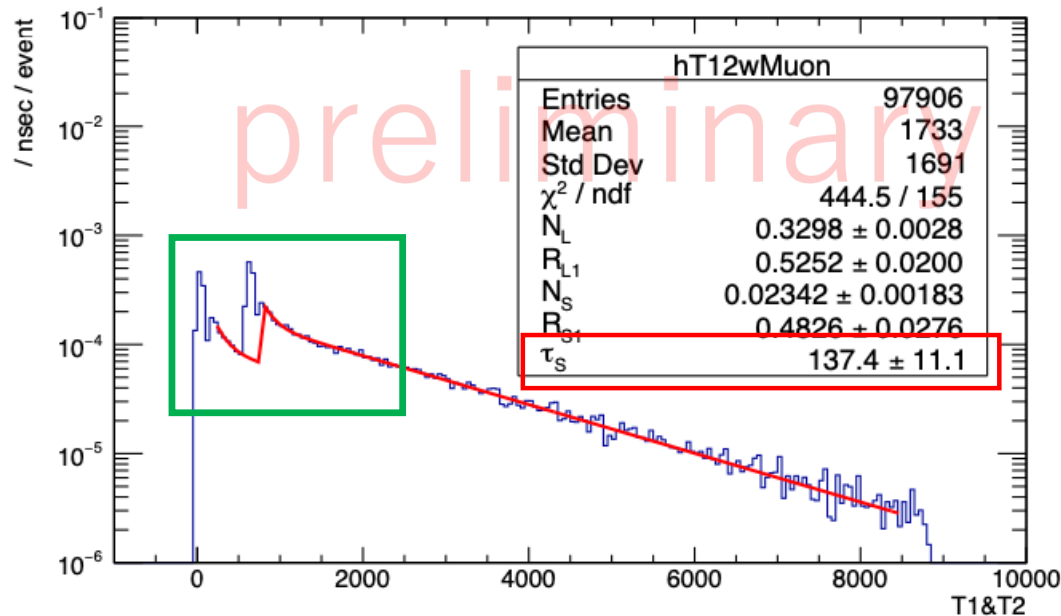
Signal check of T0 counter for different positions



- Signals on the far side from the PMT are also visible.
- Wave height is about 200 mV~ 400 mV

Preliminary analysis results

Absorber : Copper



Fitting function

$$u(t - t_1) \left\{ \frac{N_{L1}}{\tau_L} e^{-\frac{t-t_1}{\tau_L}} + \frac{N_{S1}}{\tau_S} e^{-\frac{t-t_1}{\tau_S}} \right\} + u(t - t_2) \left\{ \frac{N_{L2}}{\tau_L} e^{-\frac{t-t_2}{\tau_L}} + \frac{N_{S2}}{\tau_S} e^{-\frac{t-t_2}{\tau_S}} \right\}$$

$$N_{L1} = N_L R_{L1}, \quad N_{L2} = N_L - N_{L1}$$

$$N_{S1} = N_S R_{S1}, \quad N_{S2} = N_S - N_{S1}$$

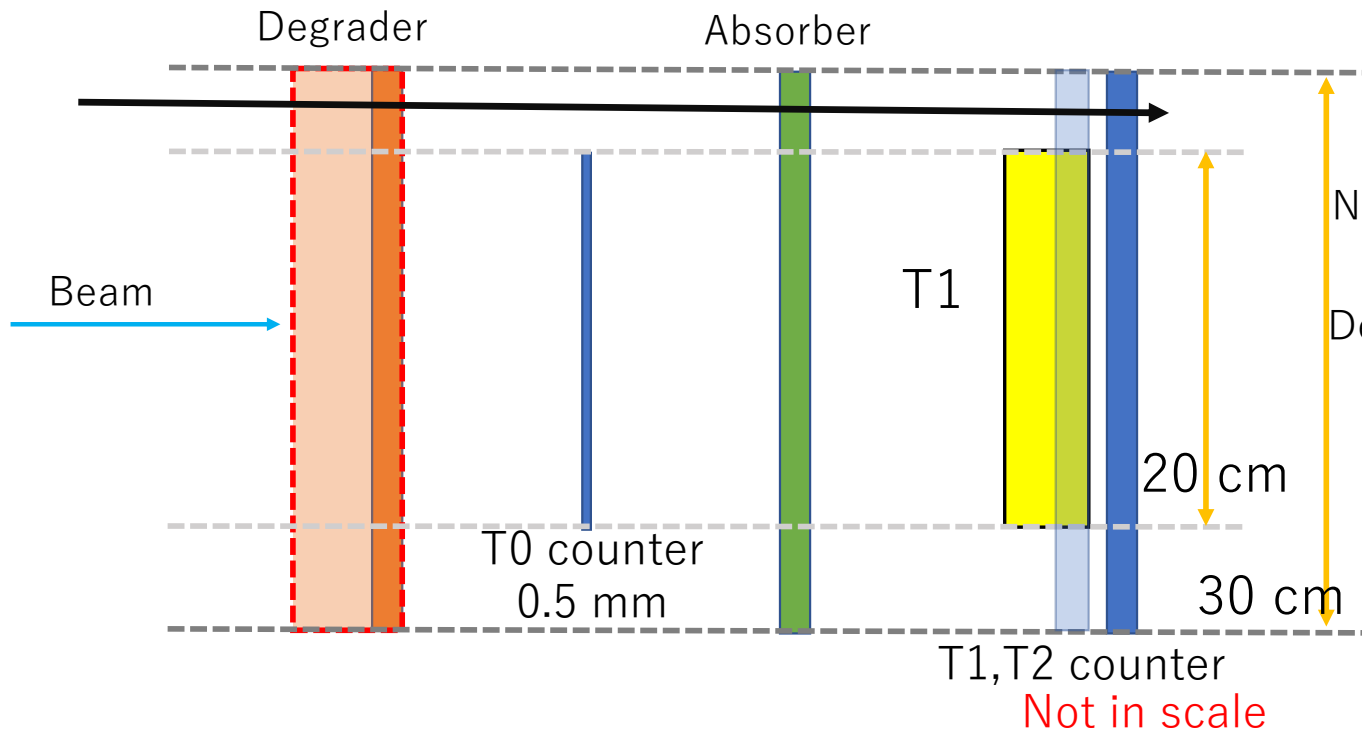
Lifetime of muons in matter

| matter | aluminum | copper |
|--------------------|----------|--------|
| Literature(ns) | 864 | 160 |
| Reconstruction(ns) | 856 | 137 |

→ Fitted life time for Al target is consistent with the known value.

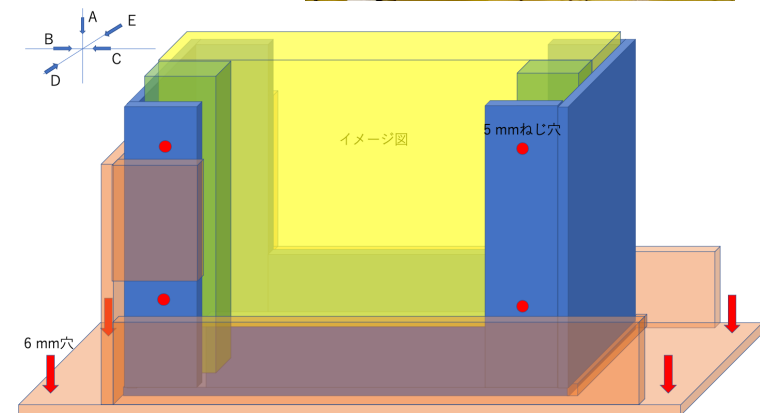
Fitted life time for Cu target is 2 sigma smaller than the known value and is not inconsistent with it. 11

Range Counter Update



New T1 counter

Degradator case



- New T1 counter
 - Area : To avoid taking the signal as shown by the black arrow
 - Thickness : To be easier to distinguish between protons and electron
 $30 \text{ cm} \times 30 \text{ cm} \times 0.5 \text{ cm} \Rightarrow 20 \text{ cm} \times 20 \text{ cm} \times 1 \text{ cm}$

Conclusion

- COMET experiment
 - Experiment to explore the muon-electron conversion process in muon atoms at J-PARC.
- COMET Phase- α
 - Test of the beamline of COMET Phase-I
- Range Counter is required for particle identification and momentum distribution reconstruction in COMET Phase- α
 - Particle identification : Difference in lifetime of particles stopped in absorber
 - Momentum distribution : The number of particles stopped in absorber with difference degrader
- Range Counter prototype
 - performance evaluation test
 - Range counter test using 45 MeV/ c muon beam at J-PARC MLF
 - Under detailed analysis
- Ongoing
 - Detailed analysis of the beam test
 - Detailed test of each counter in laboratory
 - Range Counter update

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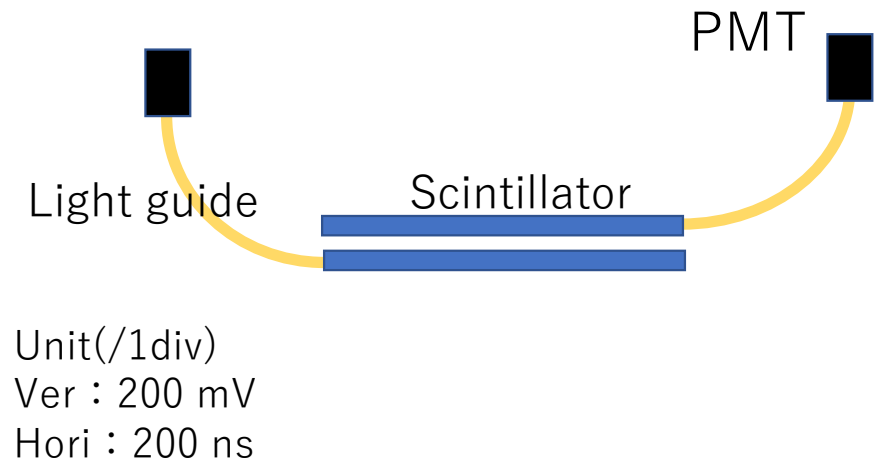
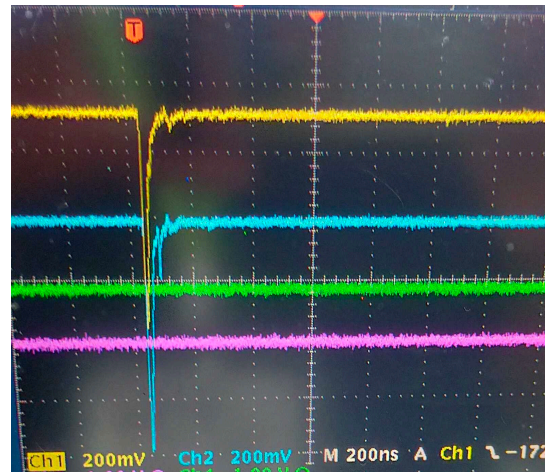
T1,T2 counter

言ってしまうと普通のシンチレーターなので1ページ使うまでもない

Scintillator

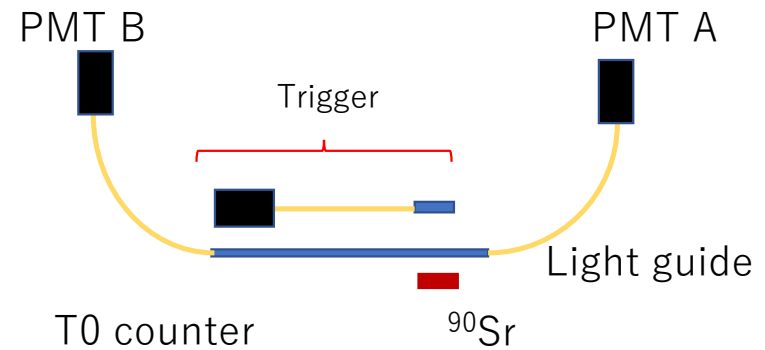
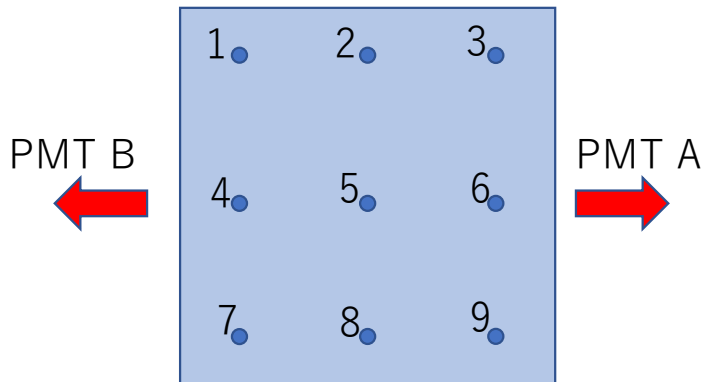
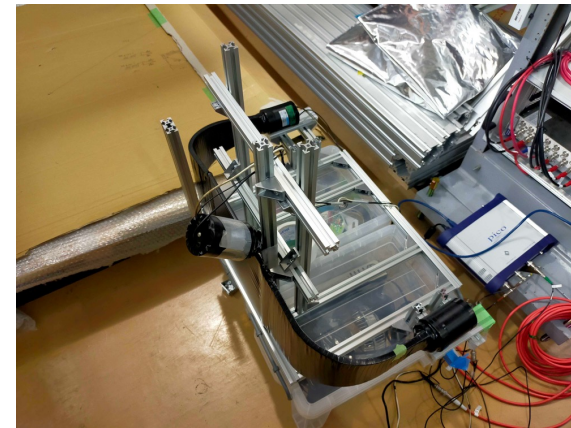


- Plastic scintillator(EJ-200)
30 cm × 30 cm × 5 mm
 - Light guide : acryl
 - Reflector : Aluminized mylar
 - Read out : Fine mesh PMT (Hamamatsu Photonics H6154)
- Signal check by using cosmic muon



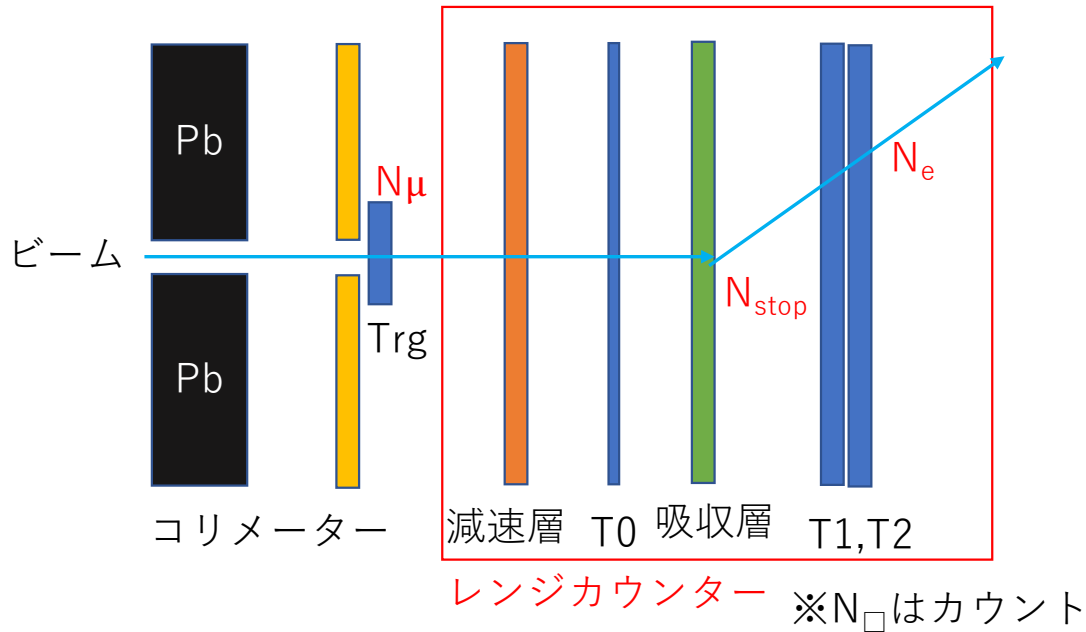
 I could see the signal.

T0 positioning check



- I named each points from 1 to 9 and took 10,000 waveforms at each point.
- I converted the integral value of each waveform to a charge, drew a histogram of it, and compared its mean value.

セットアップ

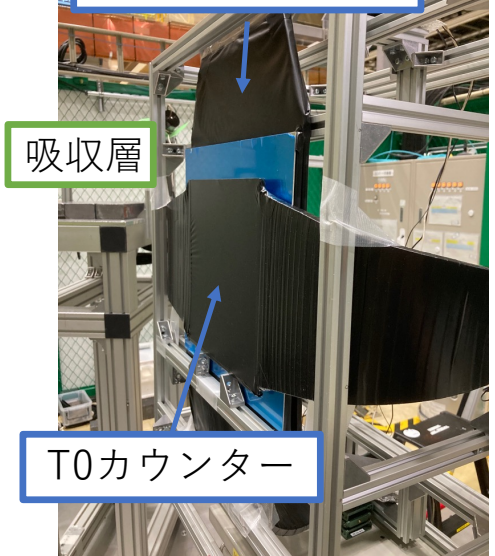


- コリメーター
 - 鉛ブロックの穴の大きさ
5 cm × 3 cm (厚さ 10 cm)
 - グラファイトの穴の大きさ
直径1 cm (厚さ 1 cm)

トリガーカウンター



T1,T2カウンター 17

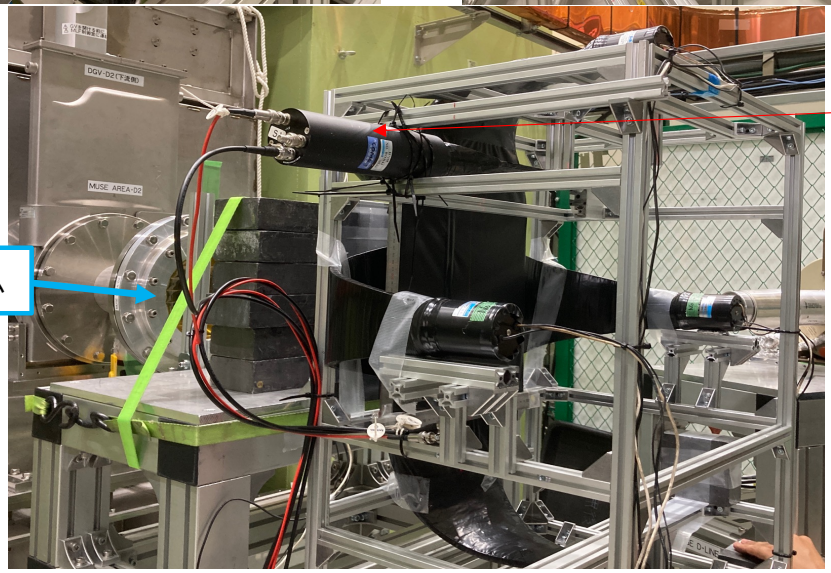


コリメーター

吸収層

T0カウンター

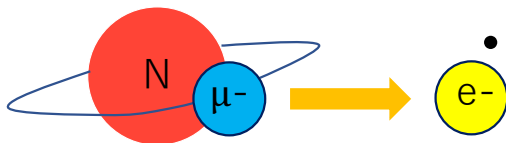
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サイドシンチレータ、本講演では扱わない。

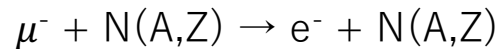
COMET

- Experiment to explore the muon-electron conversion process in muon atoms
- Muon-electron conversion process



- Charged lepton flavor number is not preserved
- Difficult to observe with current standard theory including neutrino oscillations

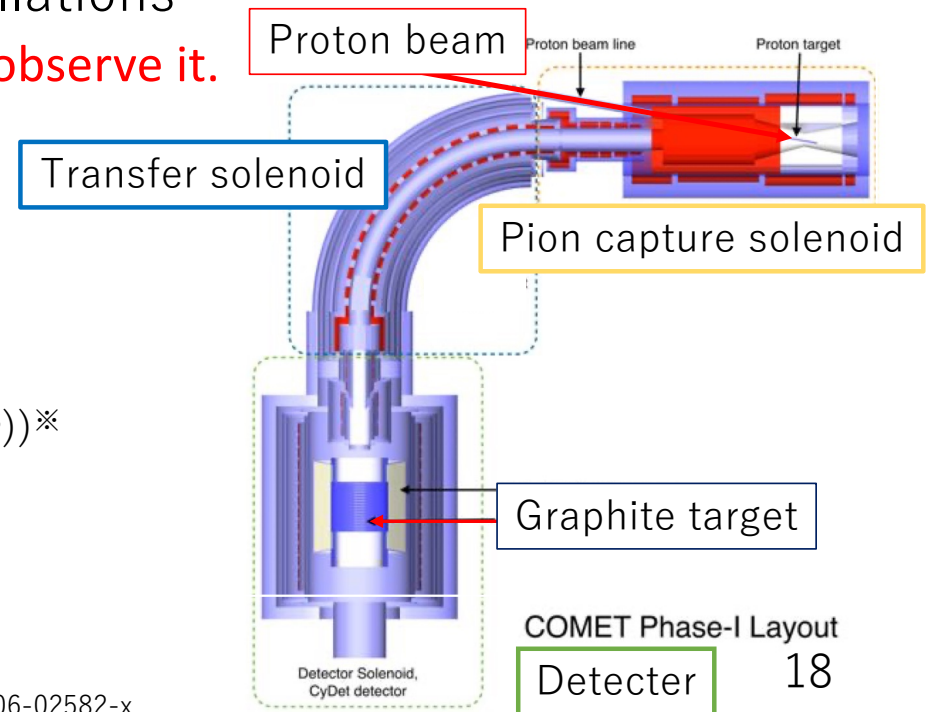
⇒ **New physics if we can observe it.**



- COMET experiment

- Place : J-PARC
 - Single event sensitivity
 - Phase-I : $\sim O(10^{-15})$
 - Phase-II : $\sim O(10^{-17})$
- SINDRUM-II ($O(10^{-13})$)^{*}
を $10^2 \sim 10^4$ 倍更新

^{*}<https://doi.org/10.1140/epjc/s2006-02582-x>



COMET Phase- α

Test of the beamline of COMET

- Purpose

- Investigate of the profile of proton beam
- Investigate the number of muons produced and their momentum

- Feature

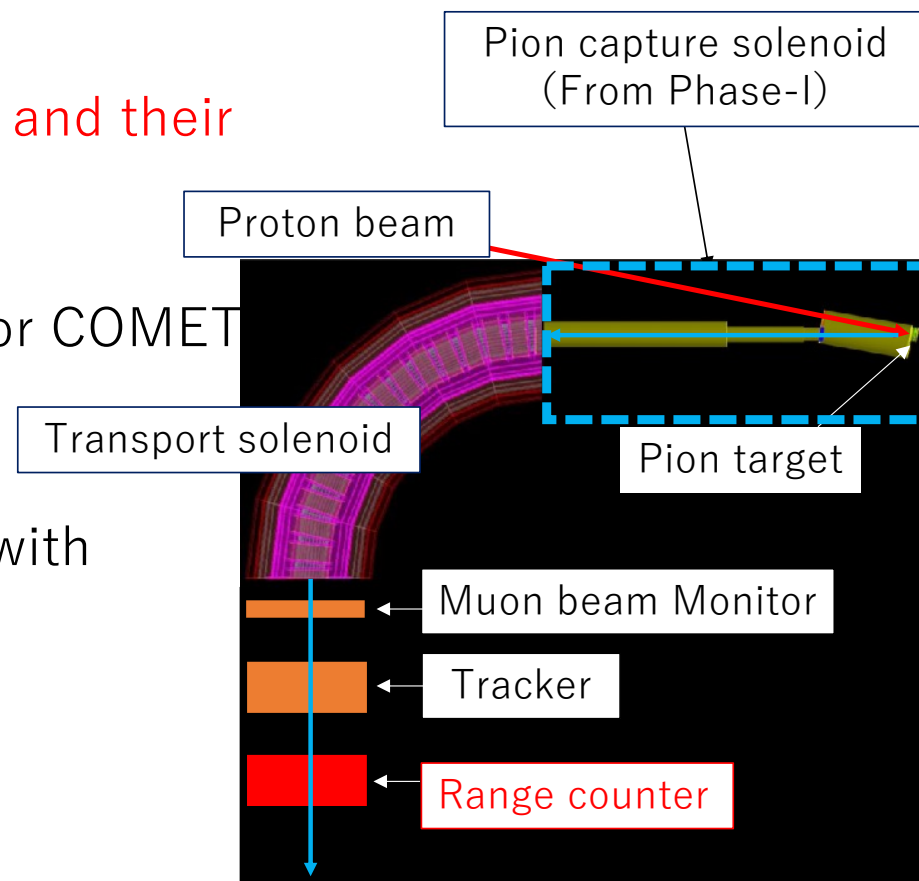
- First experiment using transport solenoid for COMET

- Date

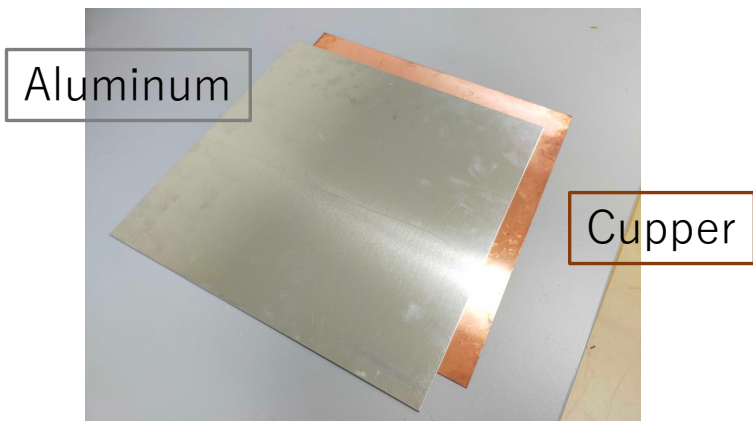
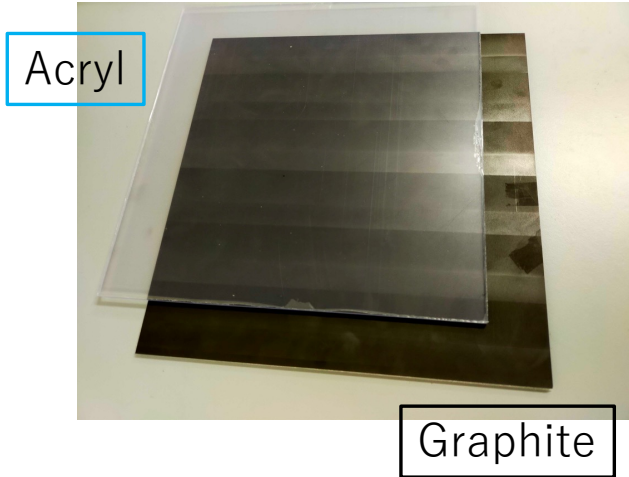
- FY 2023

Measuring particles coming from the beamline with various detectors

- Beam profile : Muon beam monitor
- Beam direction : Tracker
- Particles and its momenta : Range counter



Degrader, Absorber

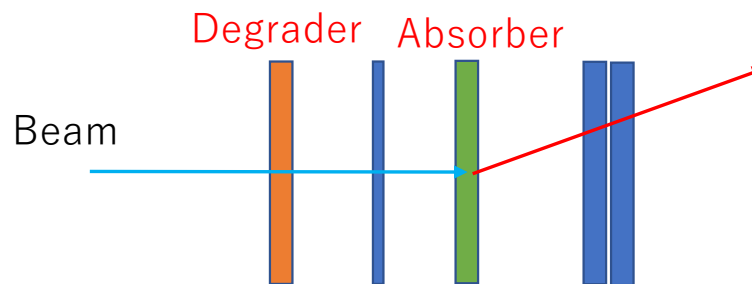


Degrader

- Momentum selection of the muon beam
- Graphite : 30 cm × 30 cm × 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32 mm
- (Acryl : 30 cm × 30 cm × 0.4, 0.8 mm)

Absorber

- The muon beam is stopped and decays within the electron orbit of each material.
- Two different absorbing layers were prepared to see the difference in lifetime.
- Cupper : 30 cm × 30 cm × 0.5 mm
- Aluminum : 30 cm × 30 cm × 1.6 mm



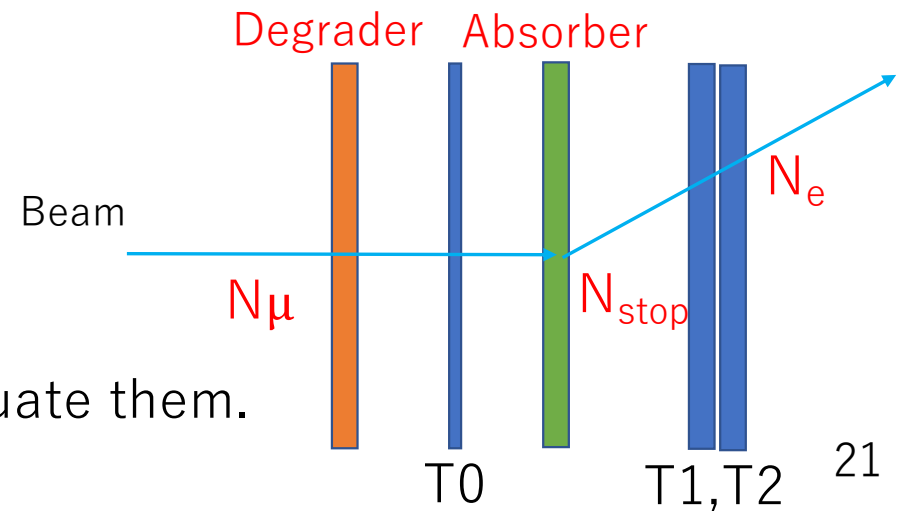
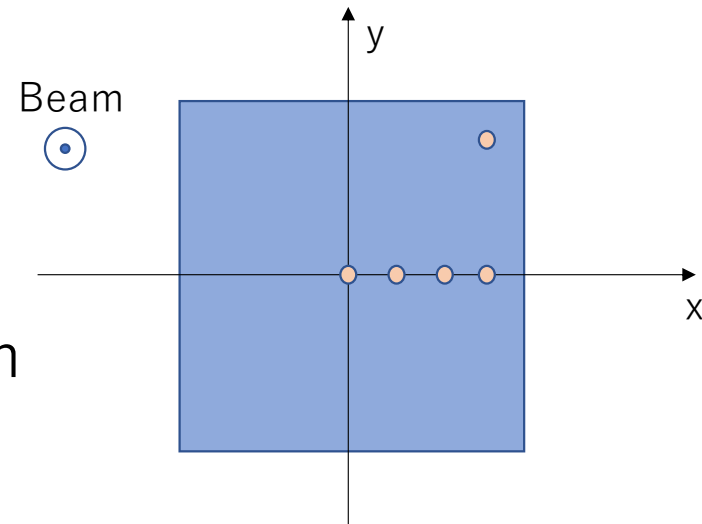
Performance evaluation

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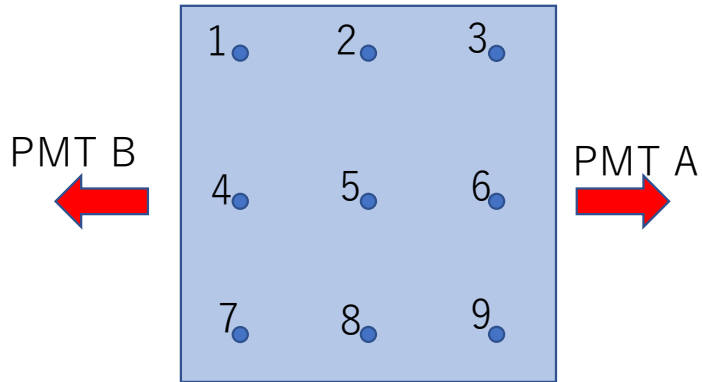
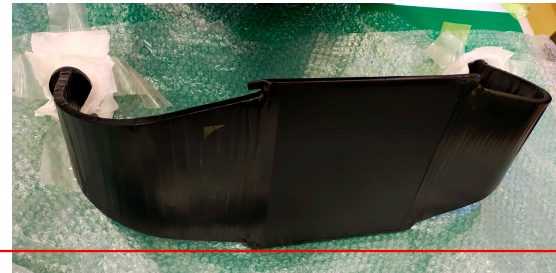
- Efficiency
- Resolution of momentum distribution
- position dependence
 - Yields at each point
 - Detection efficiency : N_e / N_{stop}
- Stopping Ratio
 - Ratio of particles stopping at the absorber, varying with the thickness and combination of the degraders. : $N_{\text{stop}} / N\mu$
- Lifetime of different absorber.



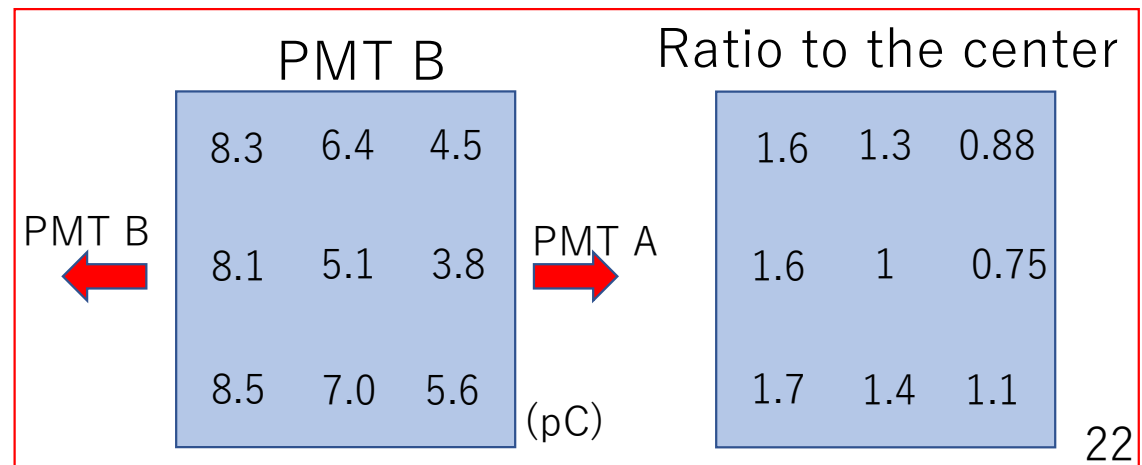
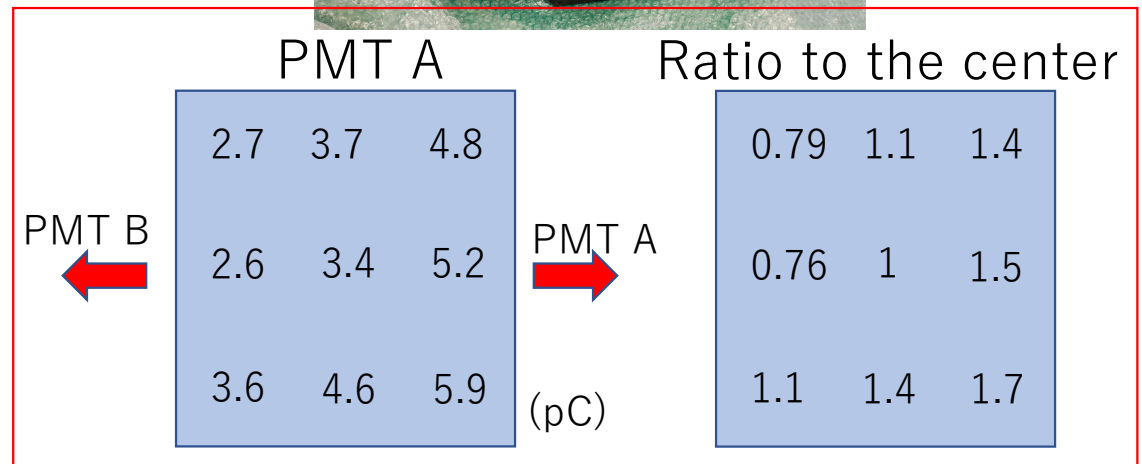
Beam tests were conducted to evaluate them.

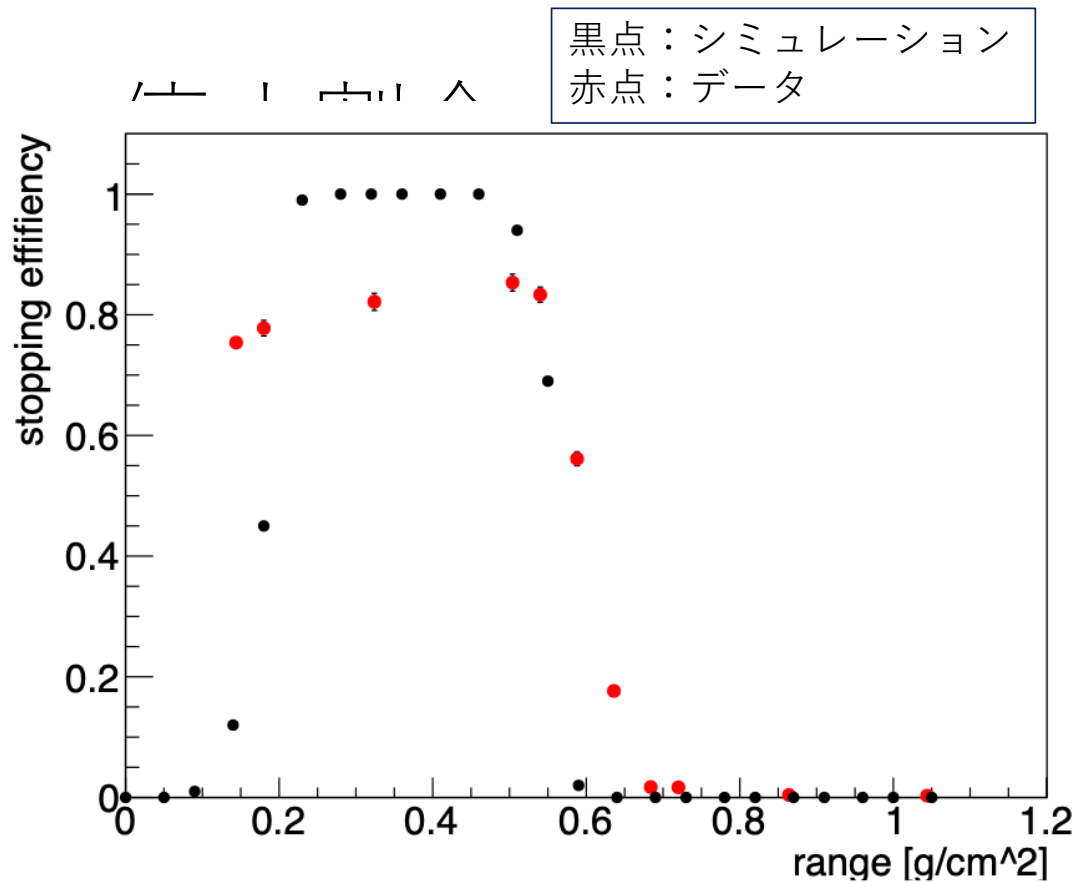


T0 positioning check in lab.



- The values on the side closer to the PMT are larger.
- The values on the side closer to the ground are larger.
- The values of PMT B is 1.5 times larger than that of PMT A.





減速層 g/cm²換算

| Run # | Graphite Thickness [mm] | Acrylic Thickness [mm] | Total Range [g/cm ²] |
|-------|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 31 | 0 | 1.2 | 0.144 |
| 32 | 1 | 0 | 0.18 |
| 34 | 1 | 1.2 | 0.324 |
| 35 | 3 | 1.2 | 0.684 |
| 36 | 2 | 1.2 | 0.504 |
| 37 | 3 | 0.8 | 0.636 |
| 38 | 3 | 0.4 | 0.588 |
| 39 | 3 | 0 | 0.54 |
| 40 | 4 | 0 | 0.72 |
| 41 | 4 | 1.2 | 0.864 |
| 42 | 5 | 1.2 | 1.044 |
| 45 | 1 | 1.2 | 0.324 |

← 落とすエネルギーが小さい領域
(ミュオンは吸収層も通過)

→ 落とすエネルギーが大きい領域
(ミュオンは吸収層まで届かない)

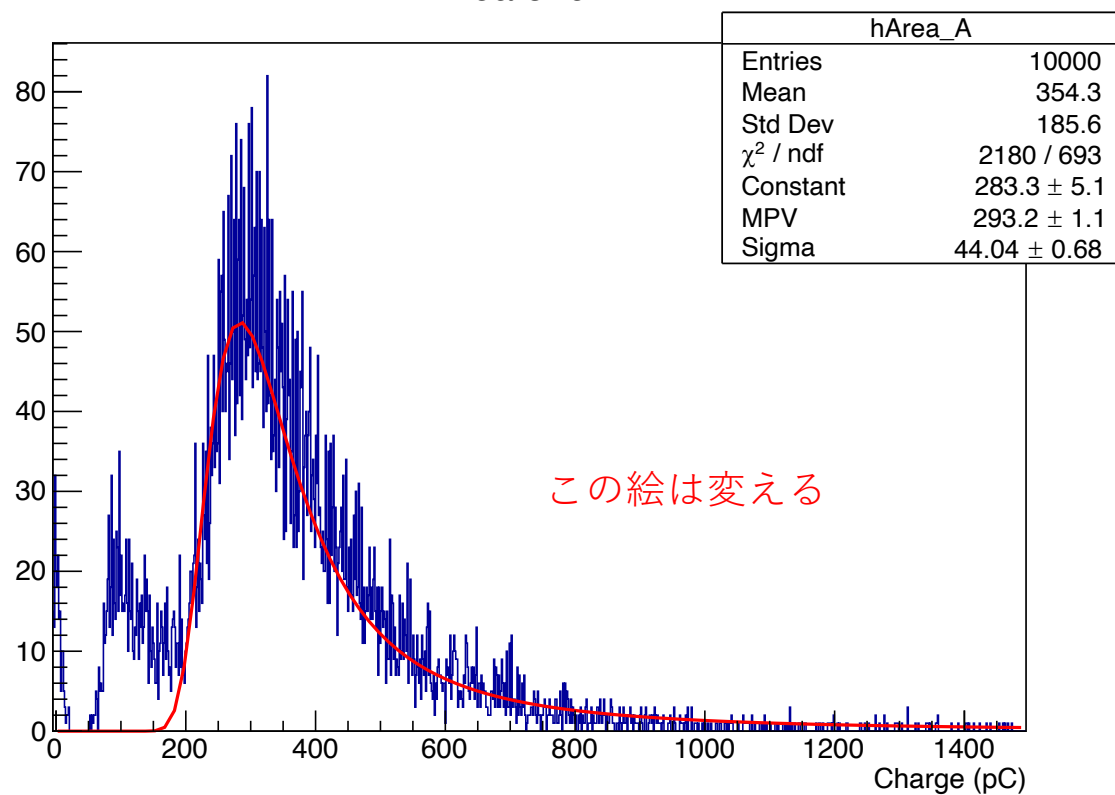
0.5 g/cm²の時85%で最大値をとる

New T1 counter

Signals : cosmic ray

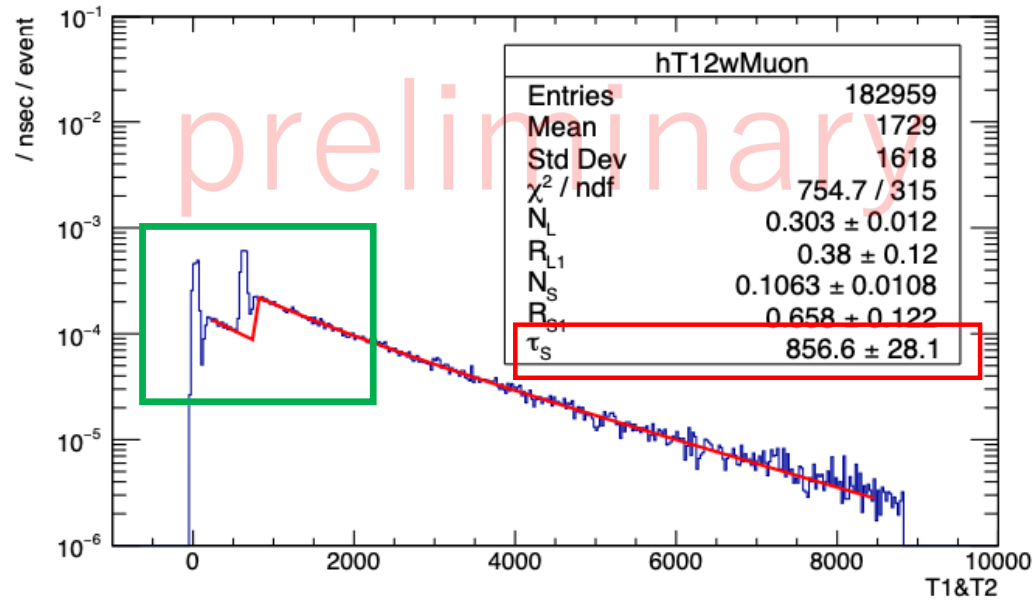
Trigger : coincidence of T1 and T2 counter.

Area of ch.A

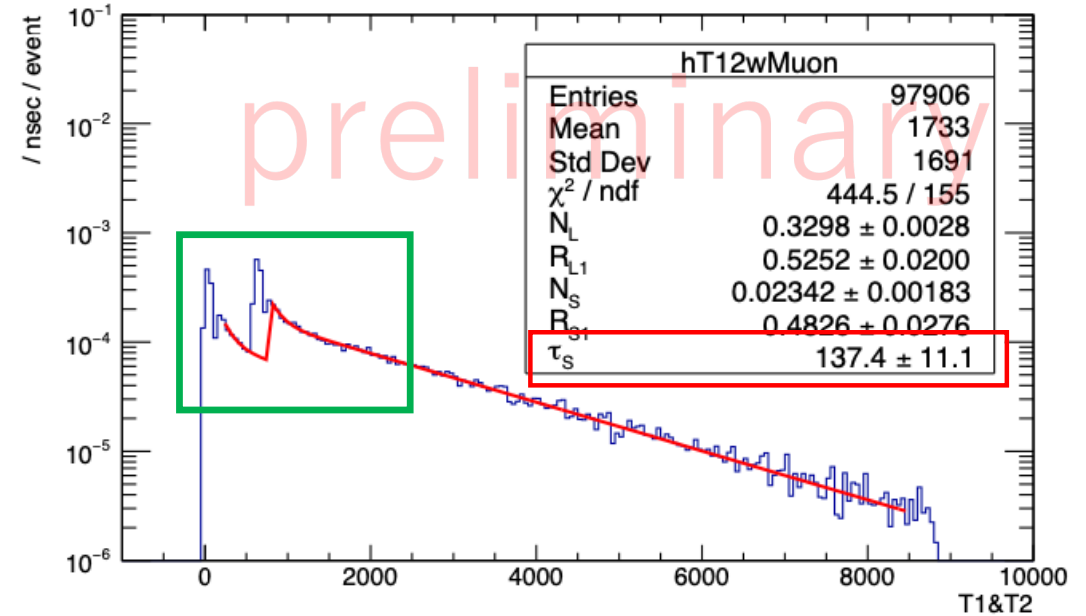


Preliminary analysis results

Absorber : Aluminum



Absorber : Copper

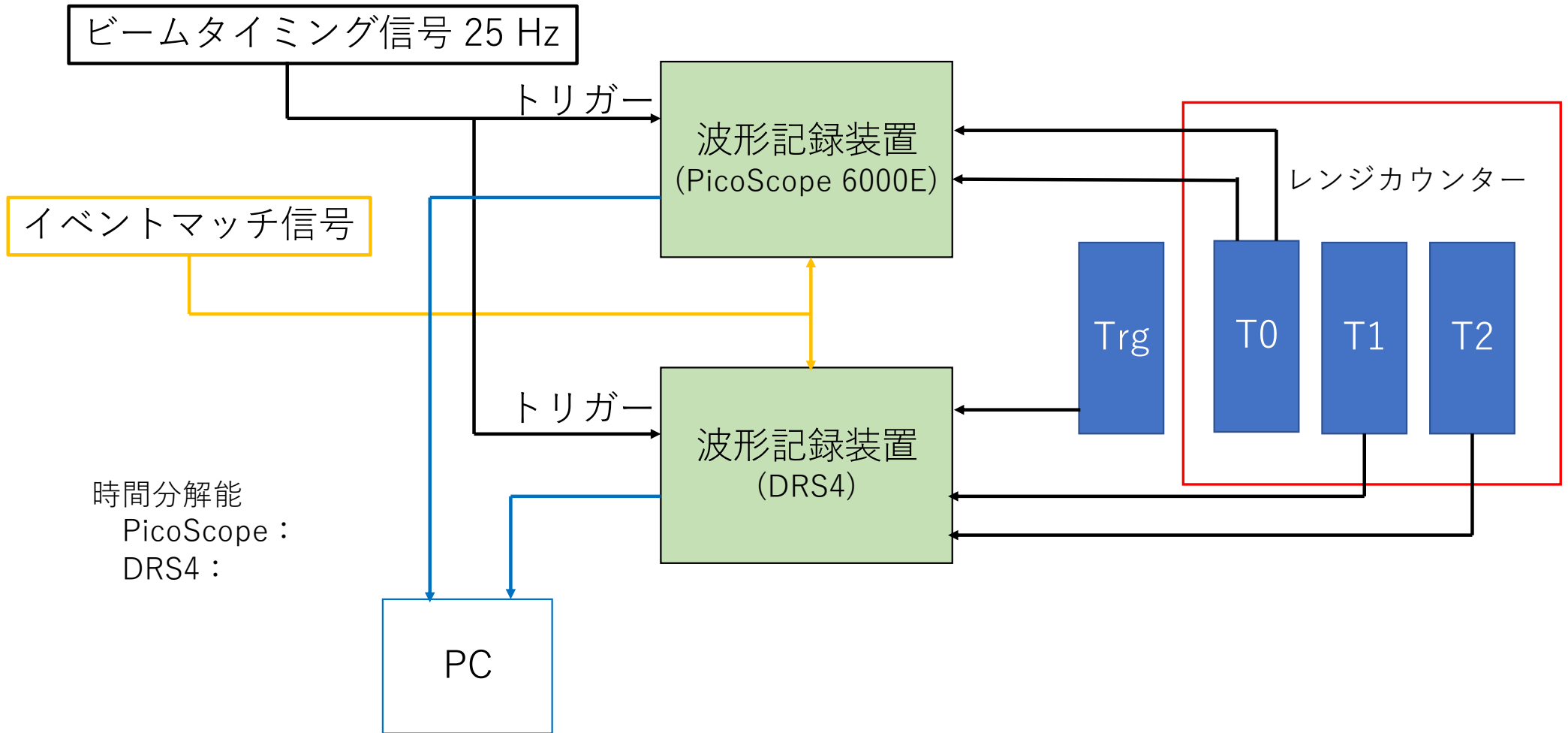


Lifetime of muons in matter

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➡ Lifetimes of muons in the reconstructed atoms were close to literature values. 25

読み出し (略図)



読み出し信号

