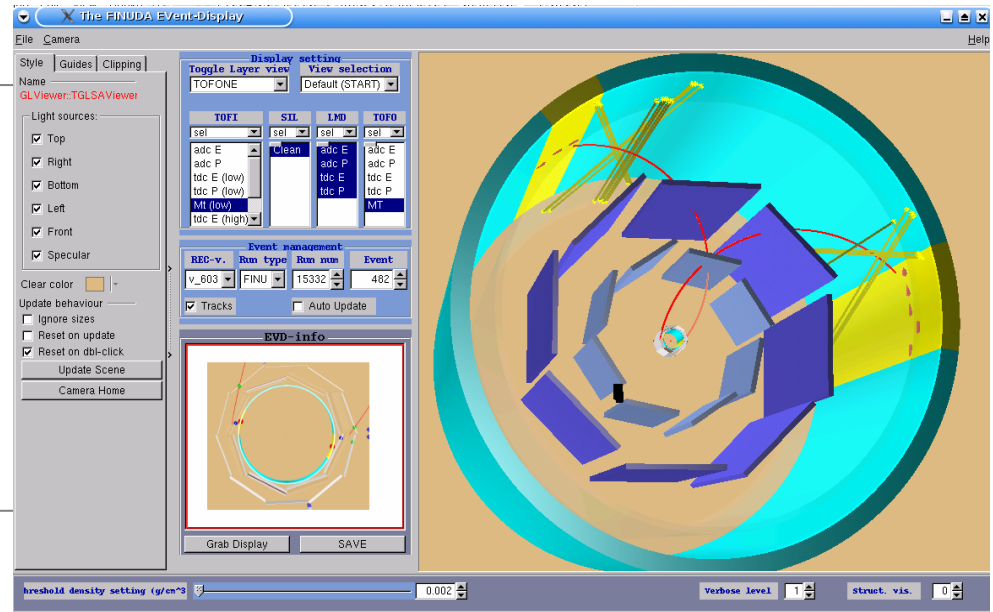


Proton Energy Spectra from NMWD

Track Selection

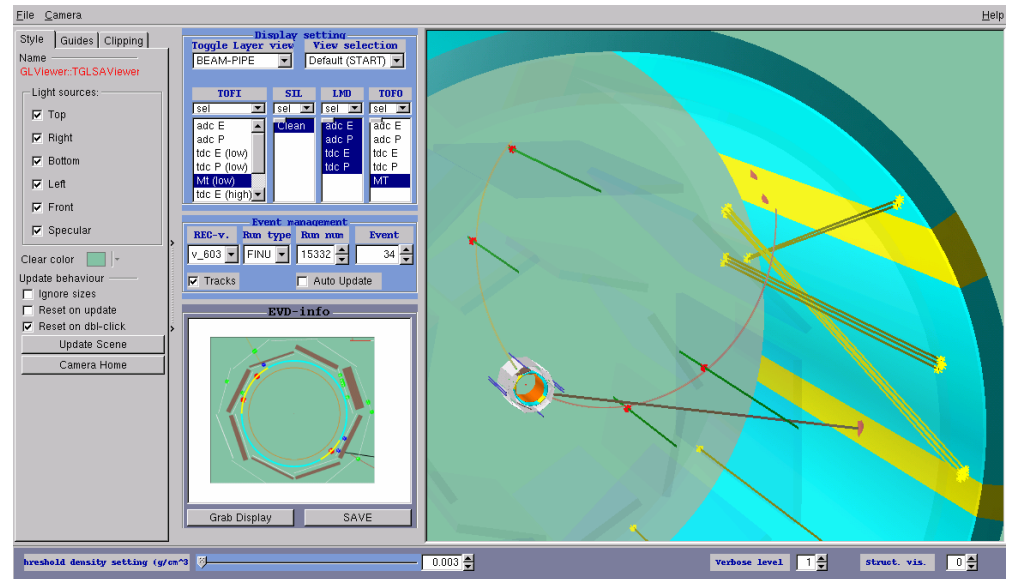
Four hits pattern

- ✓ ISIM-OSIM-DCH1-DCH2
- ✓ OSIM-DCH1-DCH2-STRAW
- ✓ ISIM-OSIM-DCH1-STRAW
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Three hits pattern

- ✓ OSIM-DCH1-DCH2
- ✓ ISIM-OSIM-DCH1
- ✓ ISIM-OSIM-DCH2



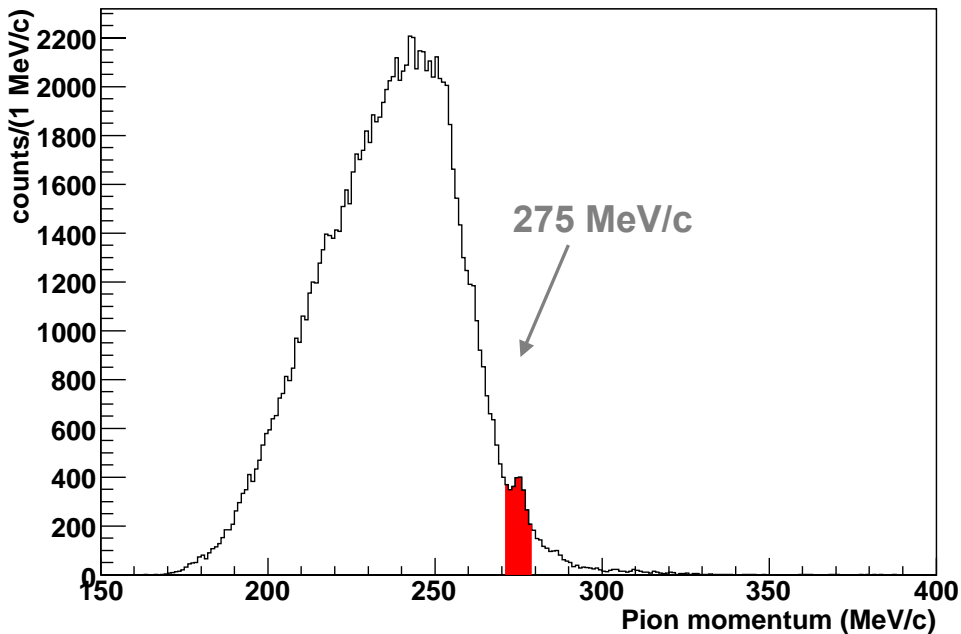
Proton Energy Spectra

from NMWD of



π^- spectrum for ${}^7\text{Li}$ targets (1)

Inclusive spectrum of negative pions
summing the two ${}^7\text{Li}$ targets

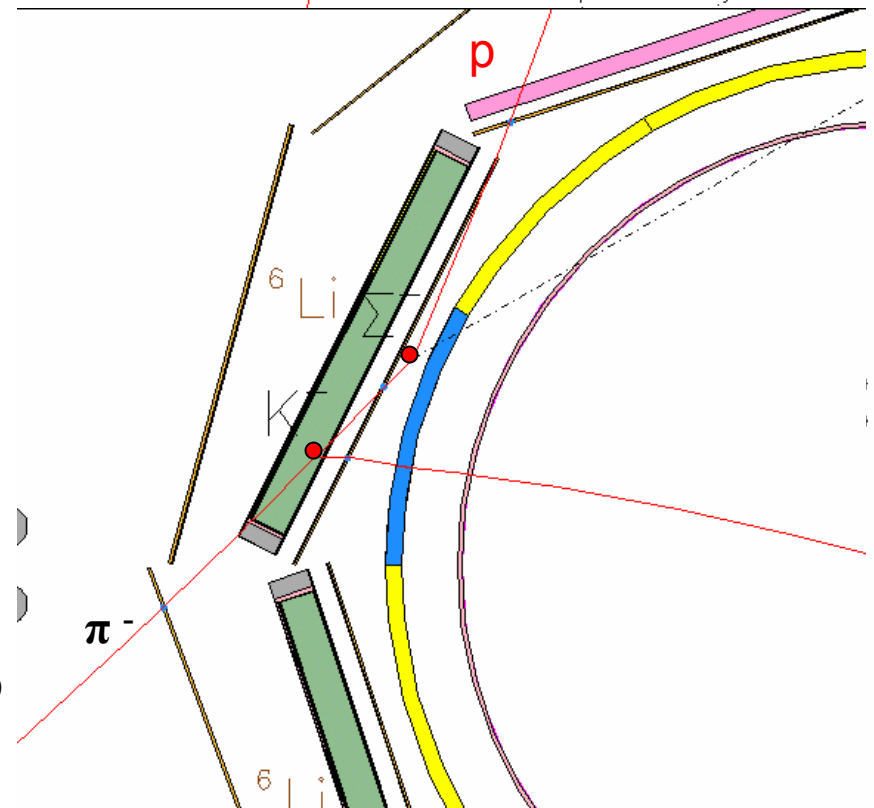


Background reduction

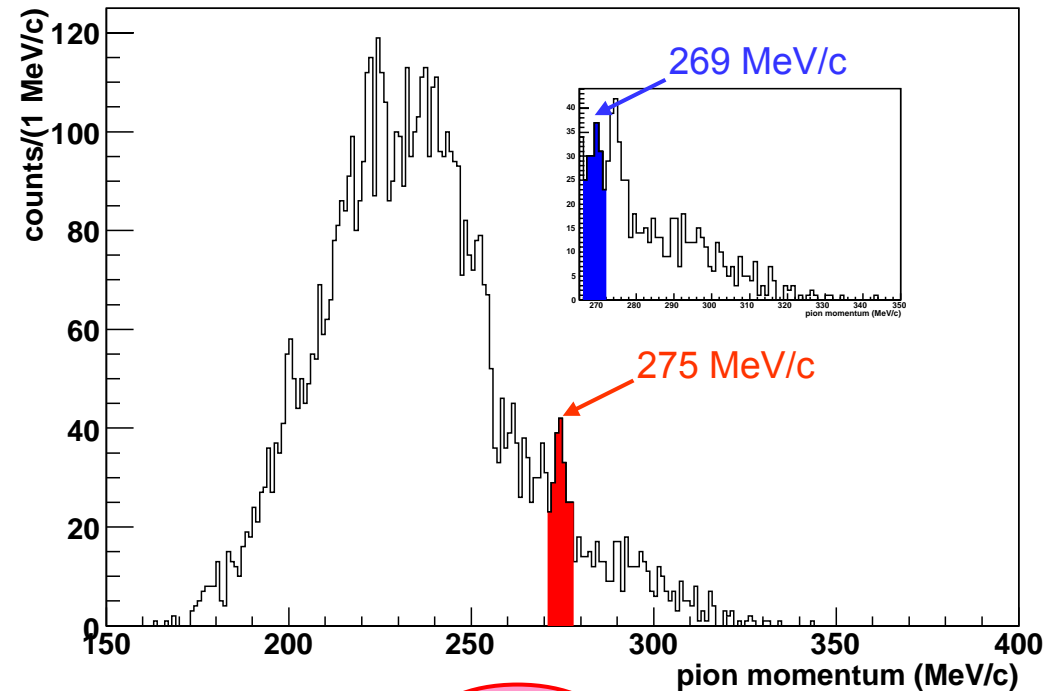
cut on the distance between the π^- extrapolated track point and the K^- vertex ($d < 0.3$ cm)

→ Optimization of the signal to background ratio

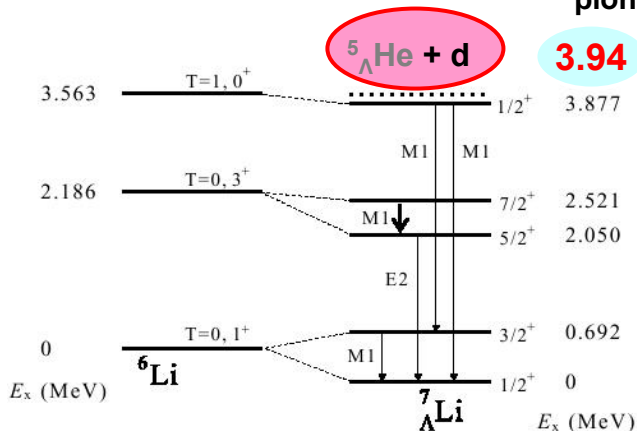
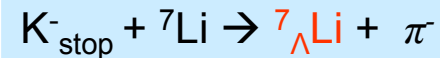
■ pion momentum reconstructed and corrected for energy loss in the crossed materials and quality cut on track fitting



π^- spectrum for ${}^7\text{Li}$ targets (2)



- Spectrum of negative pions for events with an additional proton
- Asking for the proton coincidence close to the ground state peak (275 MeV/c) a second peak appears (269 MeV/c)
- when a K^- is stopped in a ${}^7\text{Li}$ target one can produce: ${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{Li}$, $({}^6_{\Lambda}\text{He}+p)$, $({}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}+d)$, $({}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}+t)$, $({}^3_{\Lambda}\text{He}+\alpha)$.
- Hypernuclear systems with the lowest masses \rightarrow



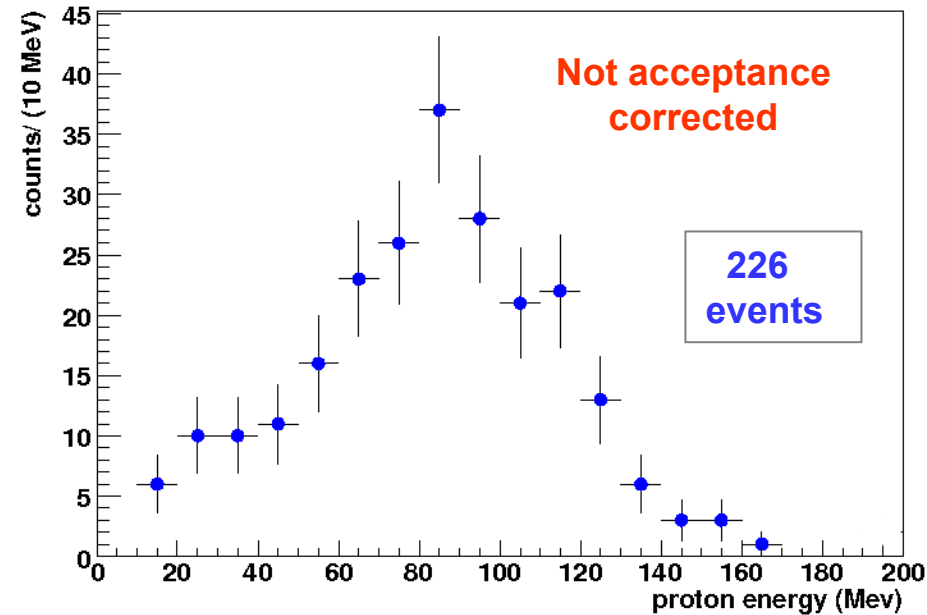
Maximum momentum value

(272,67 MeV/c)

Experimentally

$\Delta B_{\Lambda} = 3.98 \text{ MeV}$

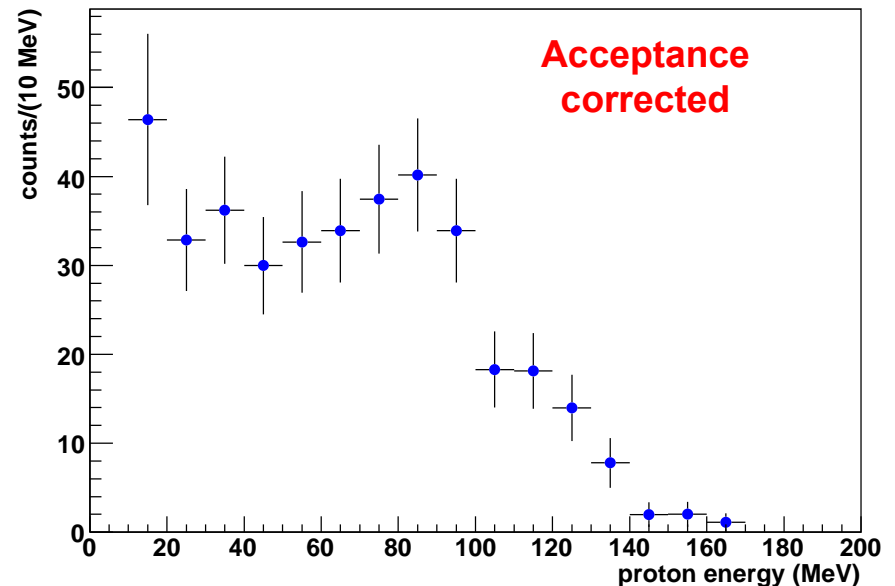
Proton spectra from ${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{Li}$ NMWD



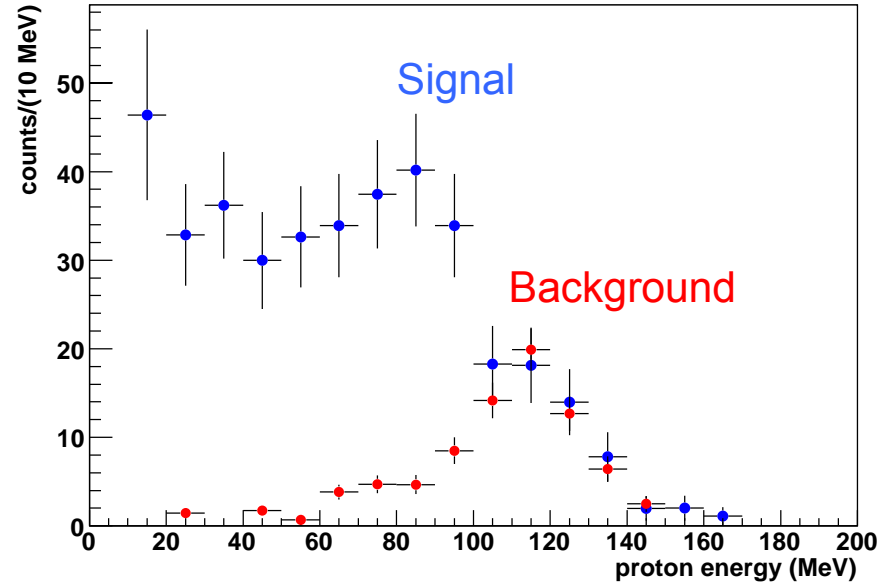
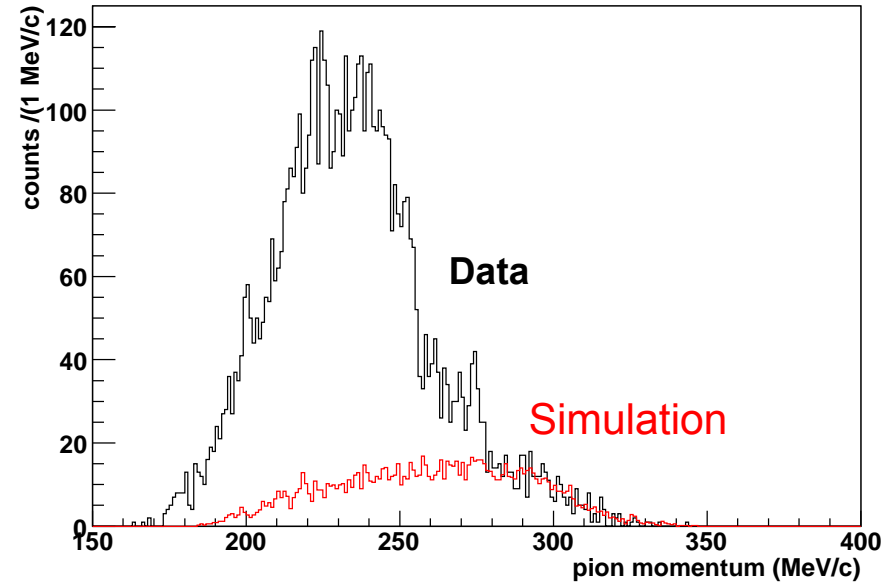
Proton energy spectrum in **coincidence** with a π^- from ${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{Li}$ formation in the **g.s. region**.

Use of **thin target** and the inclusion of **short tracks** for the proton selection allows to reduce the **E_p low energy threshold**. Spectrum shape at **15-40 MeV** important for **FSI** nucleon induced effects and possible two-nucleons absorption.

It is possible to study an energy range never studied before

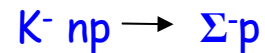


Proton spectra from ${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{Li}$ NMWD



Background Simulation: 4 millions of events generated in all the spectrometer $\rightarrow 3.6 \times 10^5$ events with a K^- stopped in each ${}^7\text{Li}$ target

✓ Simulation of the background reaction

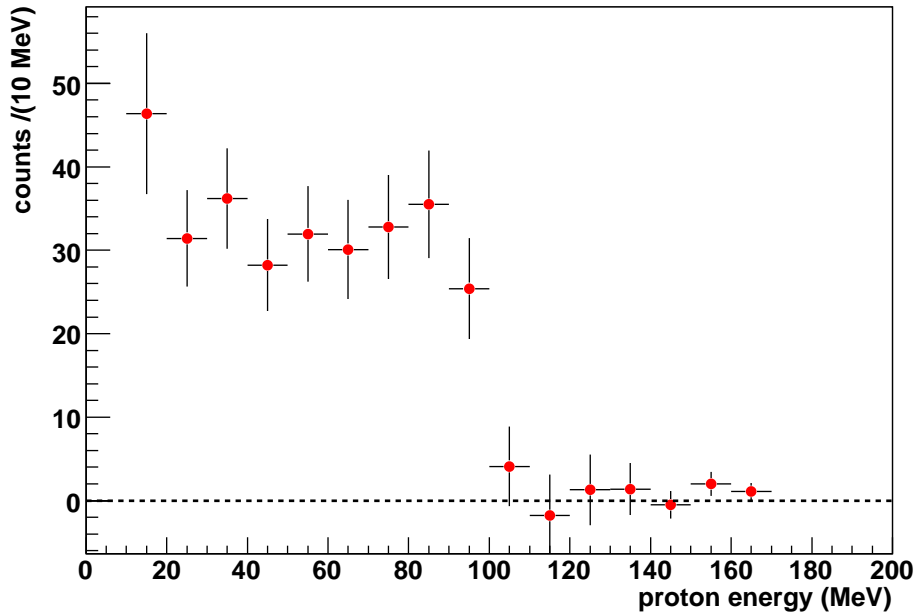


Followed by the decay $\Sigma^- \rightarrow n\pi^-$

✓ the nucleons have a momentum according to a Fermi distribution

✓ selection criteria and quality cuts used for real data

${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{Li}$ NMWD



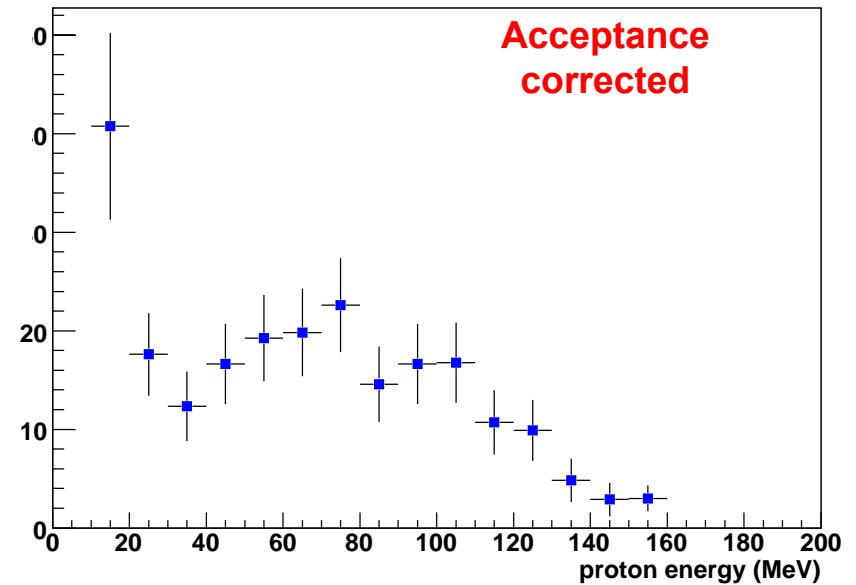
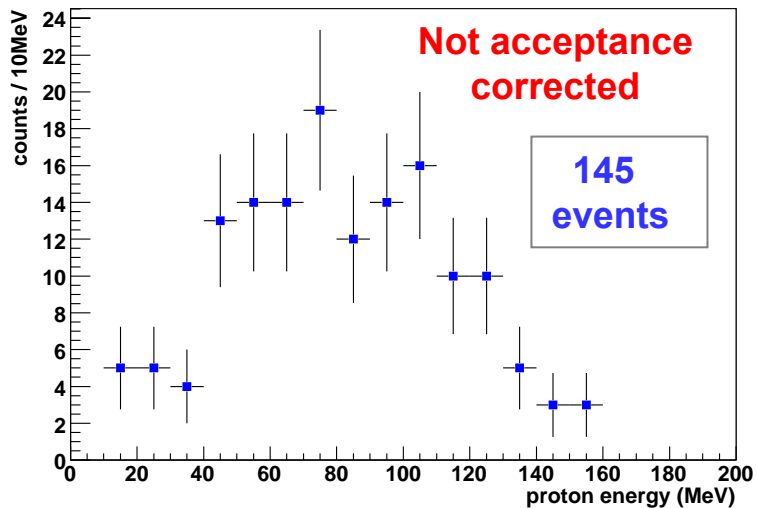
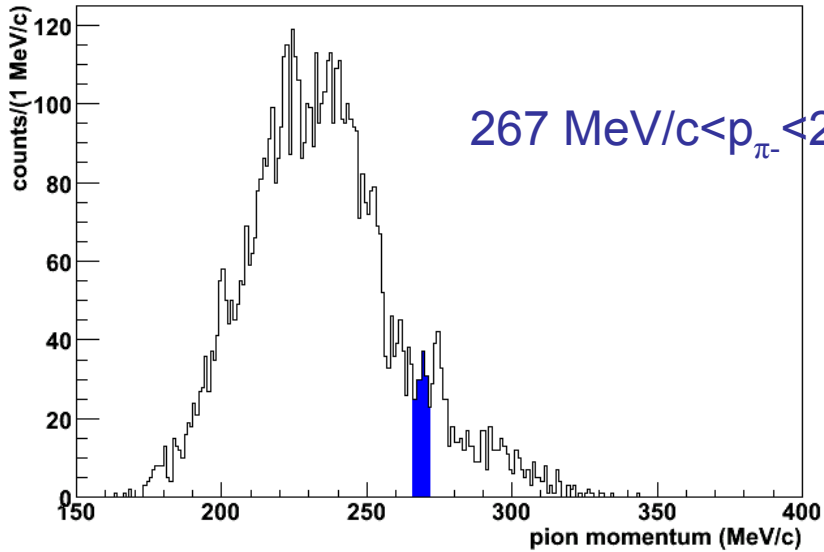
- **Proton energy spectrum** for the NMWD of ${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{Li}$
- Enhancement of the low energy region due to the proton rescattering inside the nucleus (**FSI**)
- The FSI is not so strong to eliminate the signal at 80 MeV.
- Statistical errors taking into account the errors on the acceptance calculation and on the background subtraction

Proton Energy Spectra

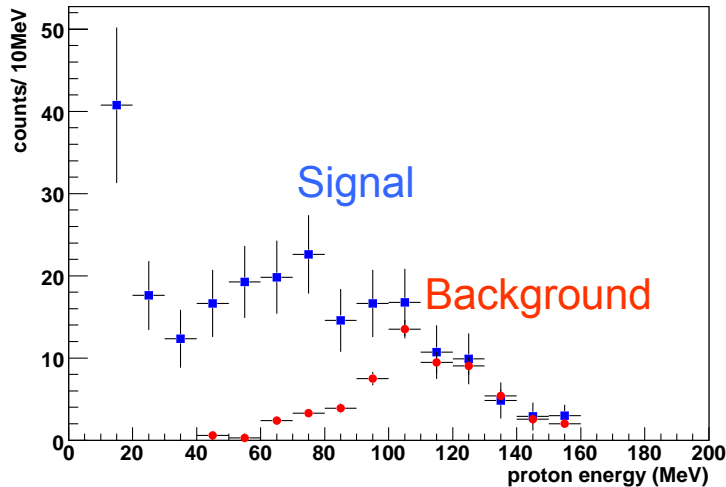
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Proton spectra from $^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ NMWD with ^7Li targets



Proton spectra from ${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ NMWD



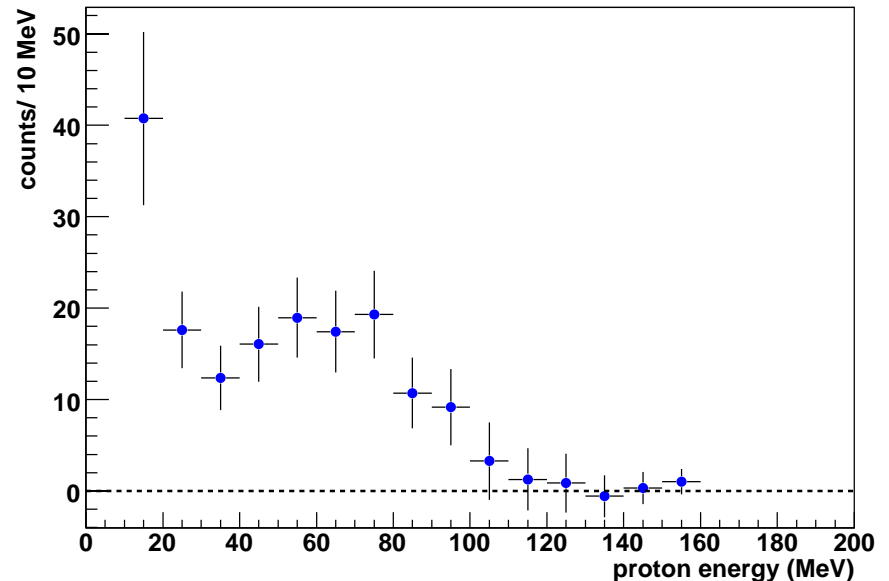
The background for the ${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ has been evaluated taking with simulation of the K-np absorption reaction by subtracting the spectrum of the protons in coincidence with a π^- in the momentum region $267\text{-}272\text{ MeV}/c$

■ Proton energy spectrum

NMWD of ${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ after the background subtraction

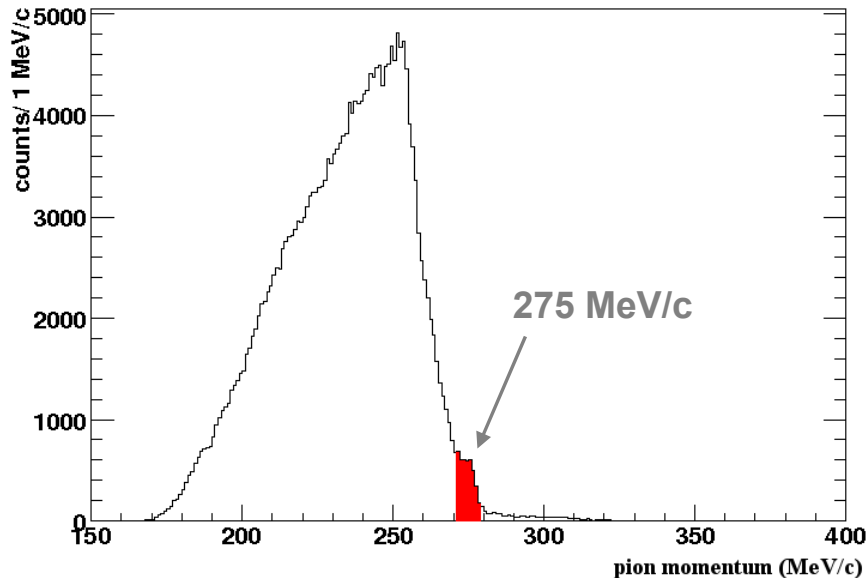
■ Enhancement of the low energy region due to the FSI and multinucleons induced effects

■ Bulk of the signal at 80 MeV (half of the Q value of the reaction)



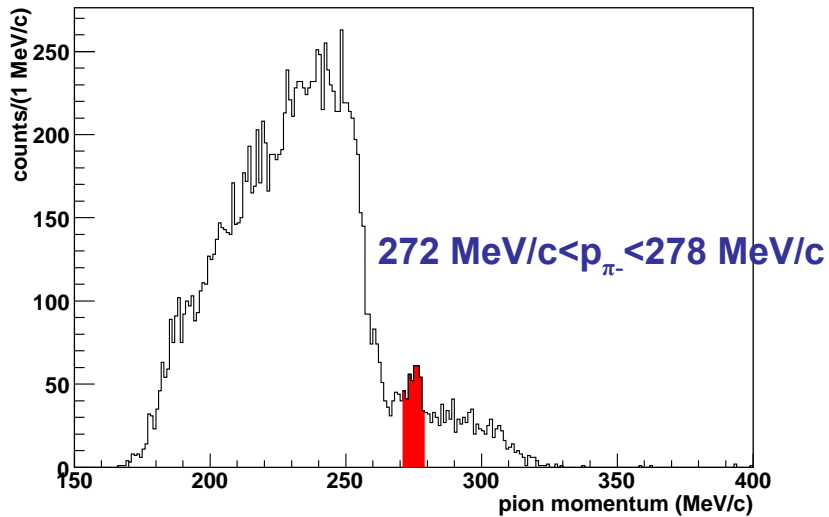
π^- spectrum for ${}^6\text{Li}$ targets

Inclusive spectrum of negative pions
(two ${}^6\text{Li}$ targets)



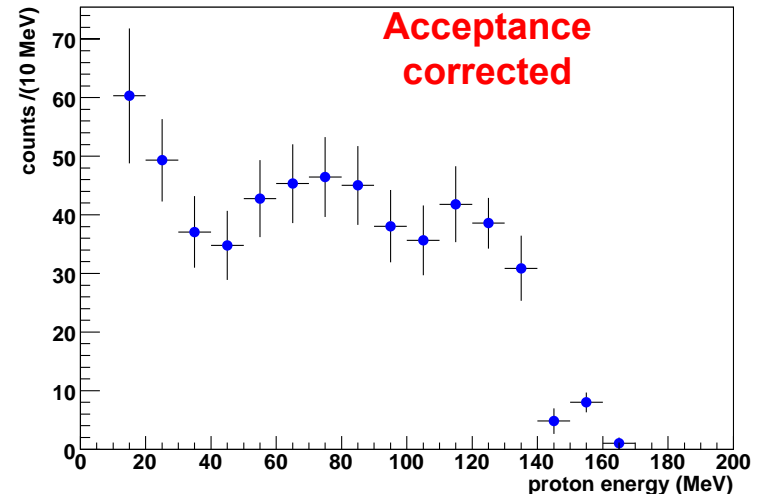
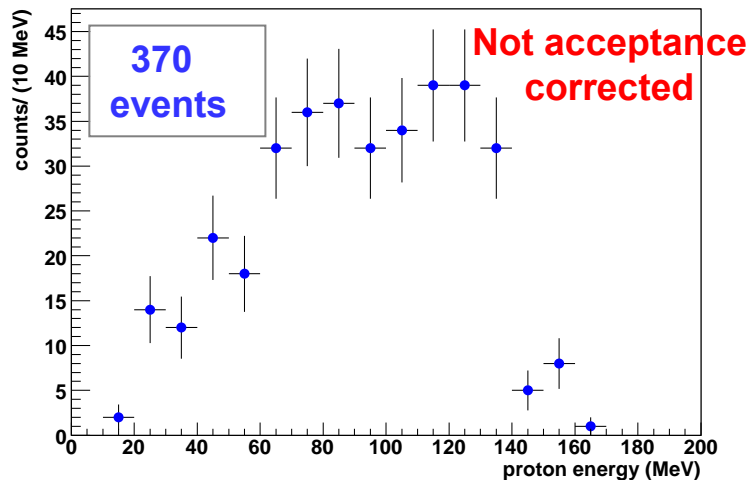
- pion momentum reconstructed and corrected for energy loss in the crossed materials and quality cut on track fitting
- The momentum region selected in red corresponds to the ${}^6\Lambda\text{Li}$ ground state formation ($272 \text{ MeV/c} < p_{\pi^-} < 278 \text{ MeV/c}$).
- cut on the distance between the π^- extrapolated track point and the K- vertex ($d < 0.25 \text{ cm}$)

Proton spectra from ${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ NMWD with ${}^6\text{Li}$ targets



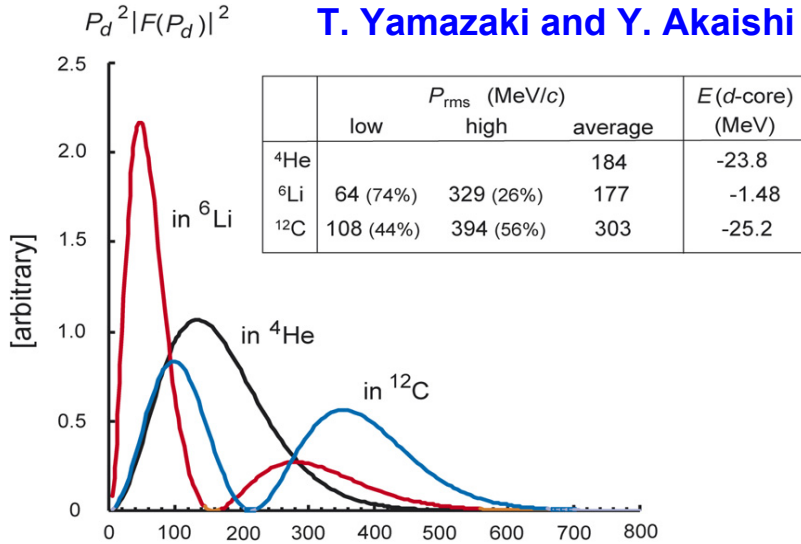
for
events with an additional proton

- proton coincidence: a clear peak emerges at 275 MeV/c (ground state)
- The proton spectrum shows a shape different from the proton spectra obtained for the ${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{Li}$
- The difference can be addressed to the cluster substructure of the ${}^6\text{Li}$ nucleus



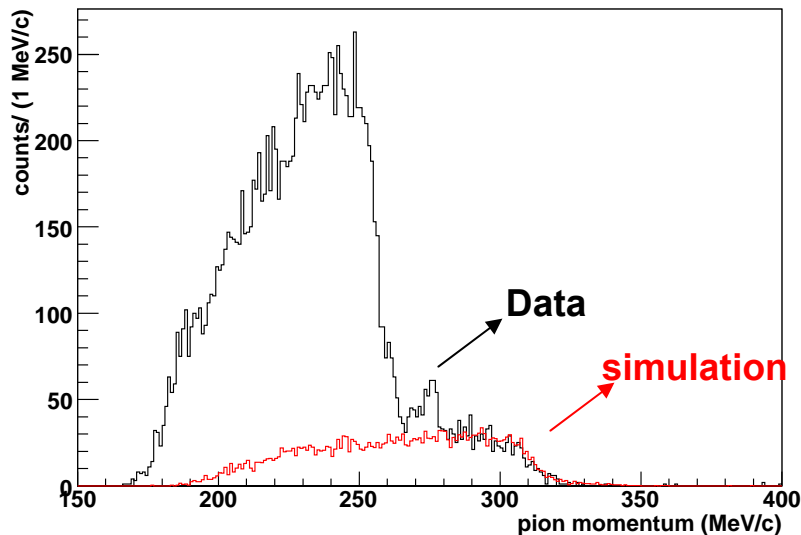
Background study for ${}^6\text{Li}$ target

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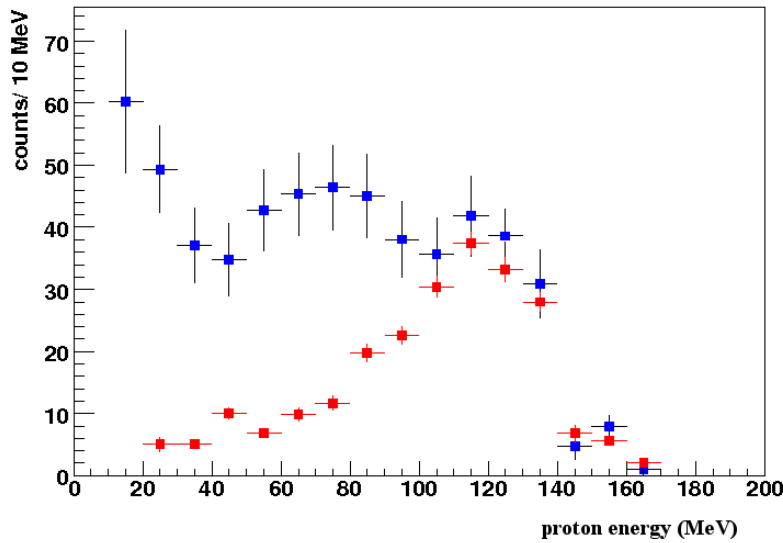
✓ The two-clusters structure of the ${}^6\text{Li}$ ($\alpha+d$) is a well known feature and it emerges from $(\pi^+, 2p)$ in flight reaction and $(\pi^-, 2n)$ reactions at rest

✓ The simulation of the background reaction takes into account the momentum distribution of a deuteron inside a ${}^6\text{Li}$ nucleus



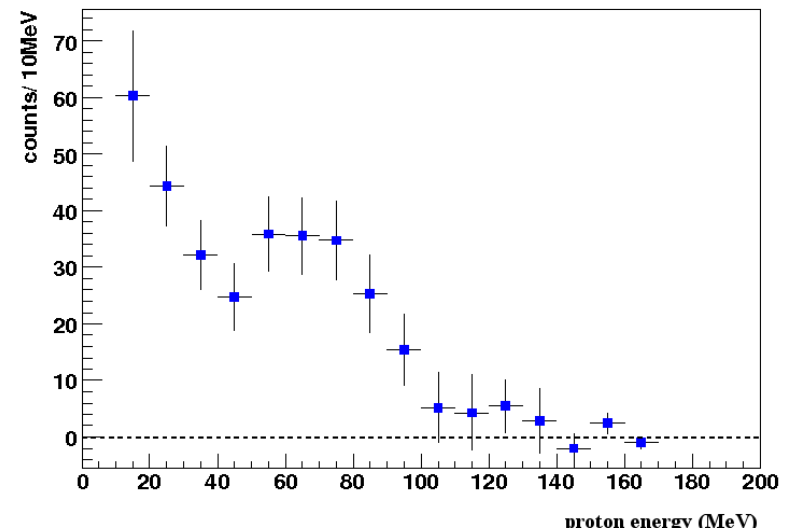
Background Simulation: 3.5 millions of events generated in all the spectrometer $\rightarrow 4 \times 10^5$ events with a K^- stopped in a ${}^6\text{Li}$ target

Proton spectra from ${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ NMWD with ${}^6\text{Li}$ targets

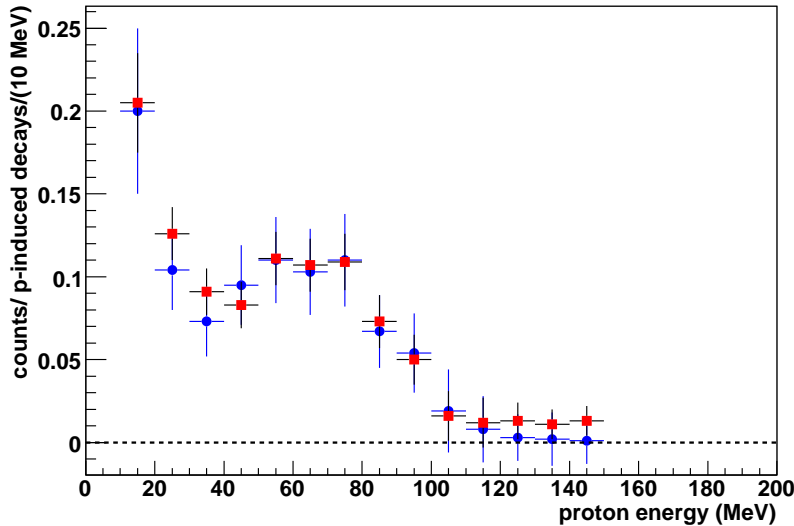


- **proton energy spectrum** for the NMWD of ${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ after the acceptance correction
- **energy spectrum** of the proton detected in coincidence with a π^- from the **simulation data**

- ✓ **Proton energy spectrum** for the NMWD of ${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ after the background subtraction
- ✓ Enhancement of the low energy region due to the **FSI** and two-nucleons induced decay
- ✓ The FSI contribution is not so strong to eliminate the signal at **~ 80 MeV** half of the Q value of the reaction)



$^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ NMWD



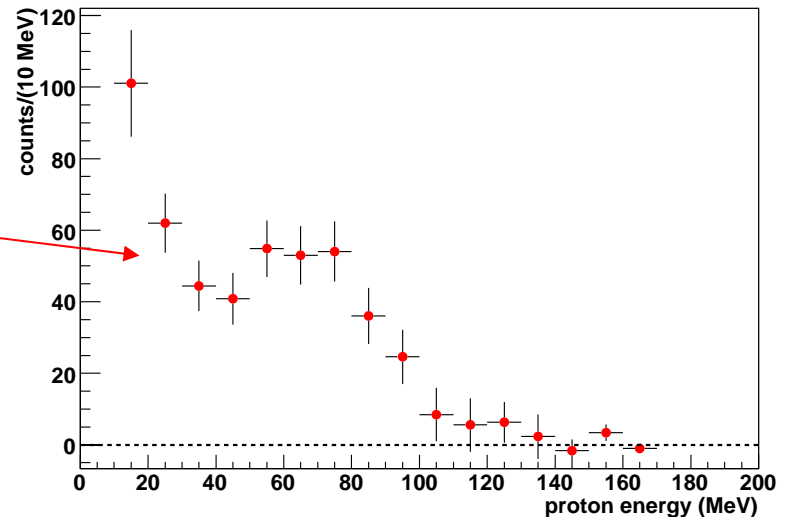
■ proton energy spectrum for the NMWD of $^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ from ^7Li targets

■ proton energy spectrum for the NMWD of $^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ from ^6Li targets

The two spectra are normalized to area beyond 15 MeV

- Kolmogorov-Smirnov test applied to the data gives a probability of compatibility $P=0.89$ at a confidence level of 95%
- The two spectra are fully compatible and can be added

Final spectrum of protons from $^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ NMWD



Proton Energy Spectra

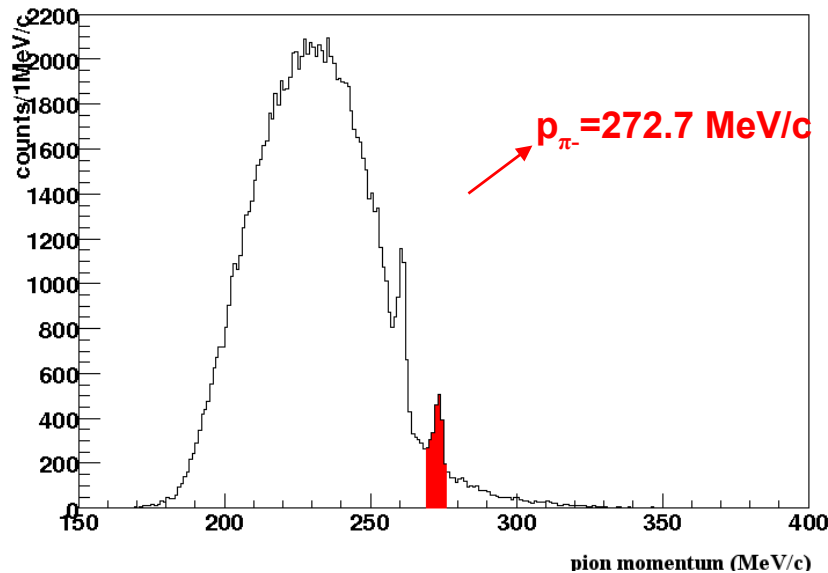
from NMWD of



π^- spectrum for ^{12}C targets

Inclusive spectrum of negative pions

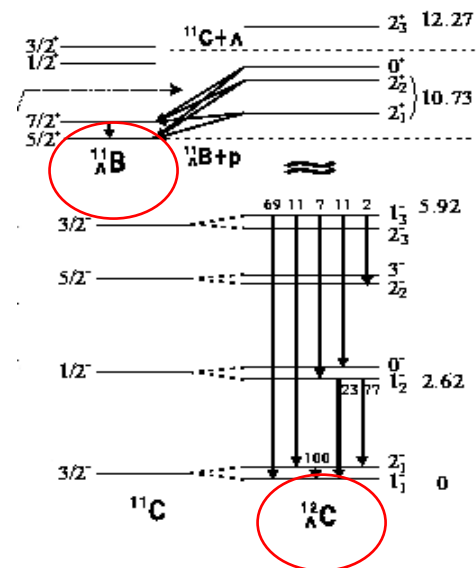
three ^{12}C targets



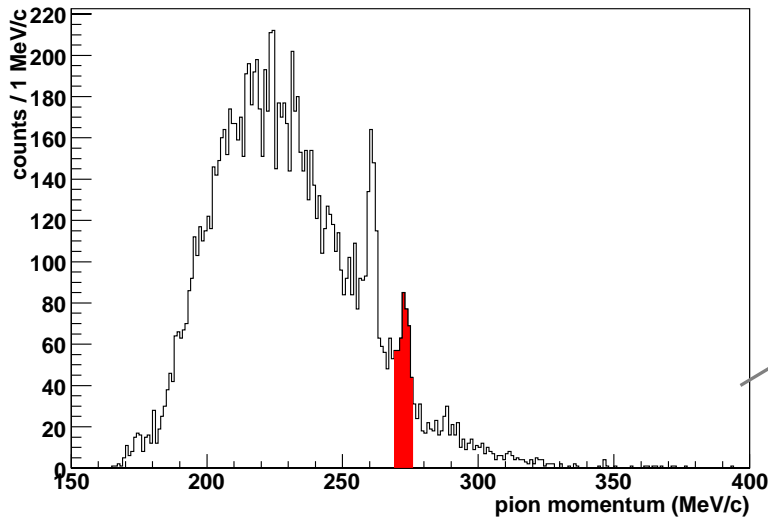
■ The momentum region selected in red corresponds to the $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$ ground state formation ($270 \text{ MeV}/c < p_{\pi^-} < 276 \text{ MeV}/c$).

■ A second peak at a lower momentum value appears and it is due to the formation of the $^{11}_{\Lambda}\text{B}$

■ Also for the ^{12}C analysis a cut on the distance between the π^- extrapolated track point and the K- vertex ($d < 0.3 \text{ cm}$) is adopted.

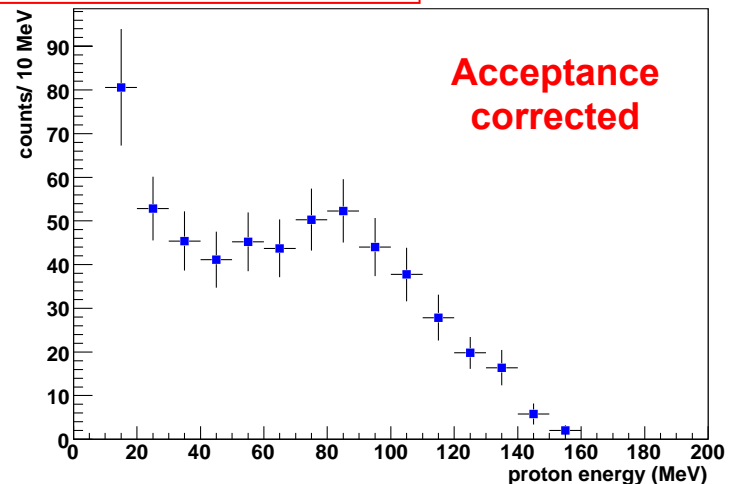
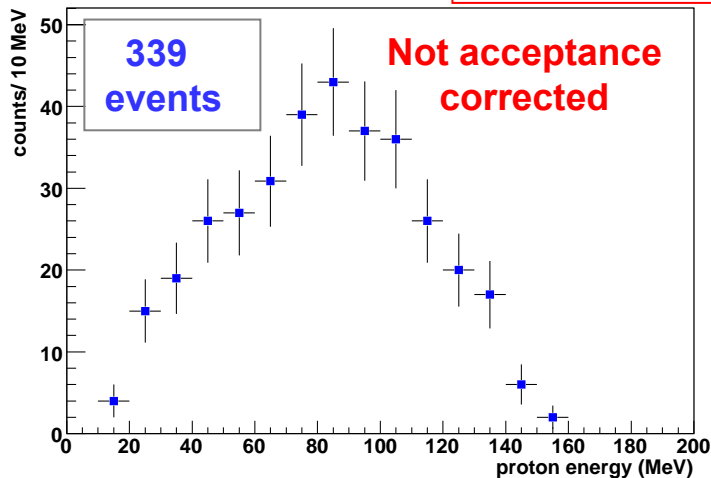


Proton spectra from $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$ NMWD (1)

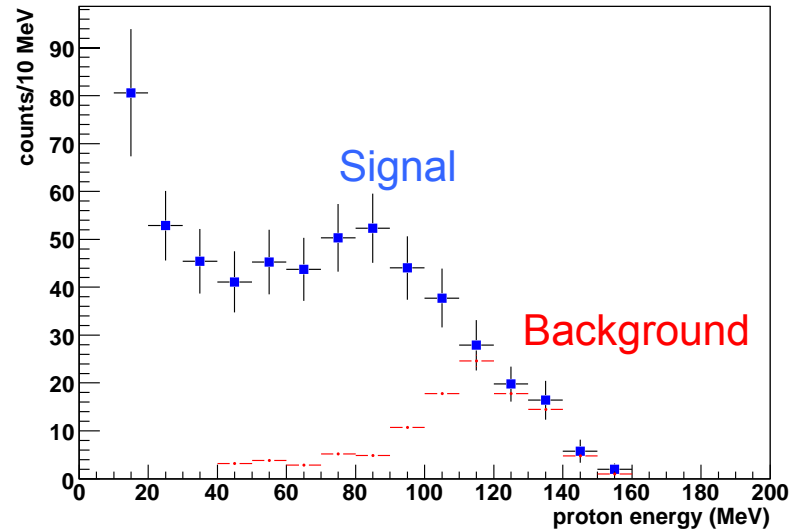
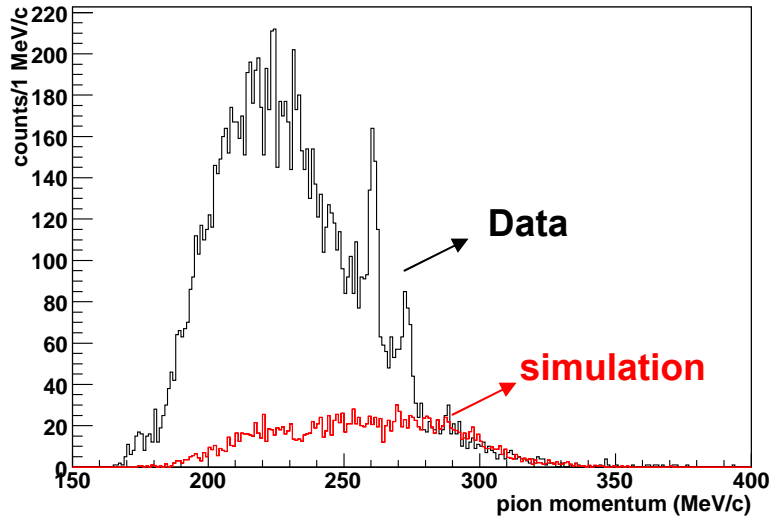


- for events in which a proton is detected in coincidence with a π^-
- Asking for the proton coincidence a clear peak emerge at **272 MeV/c** (ground state)

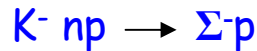
Proton energy spectrum from $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$ proton-induced NMWD **before** and **after** the acceptance correction



Proton spectra from $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$ NMWD (2)



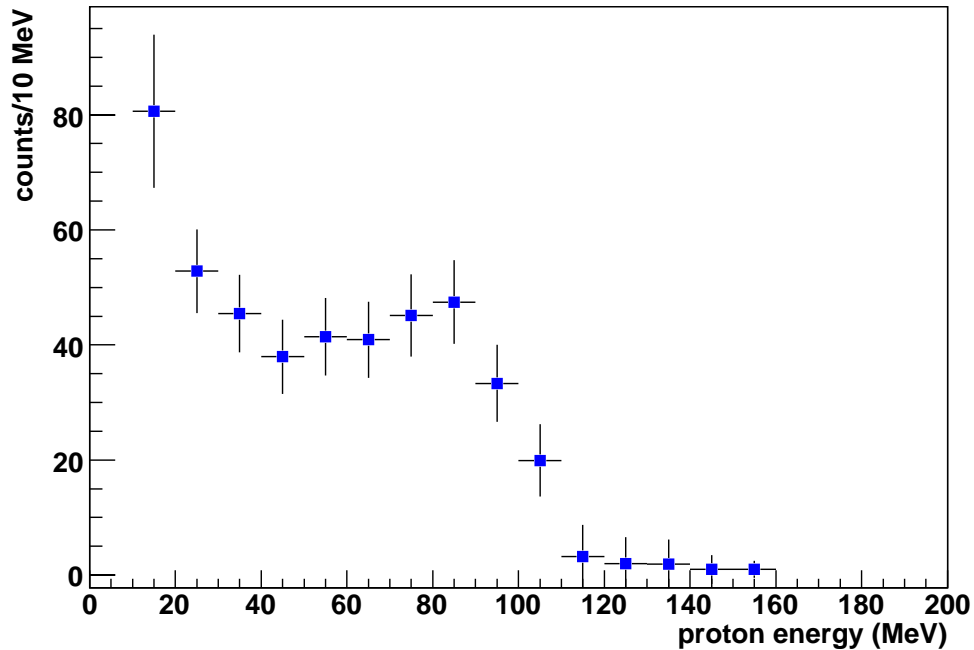
✓ Simulation of the background reaction



Followed by the decay $\Sigma^- \rightarrow n\pi^-$

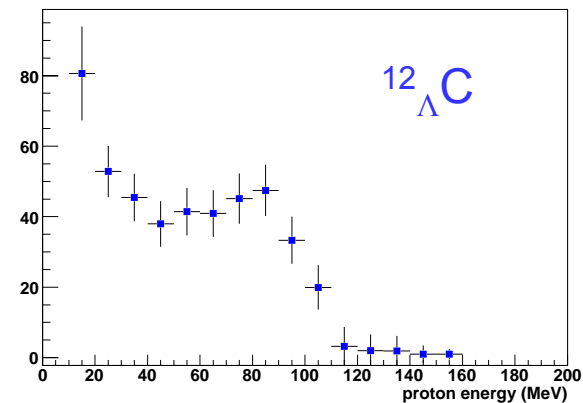
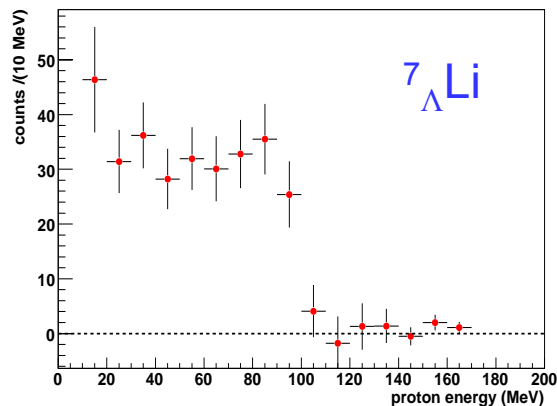
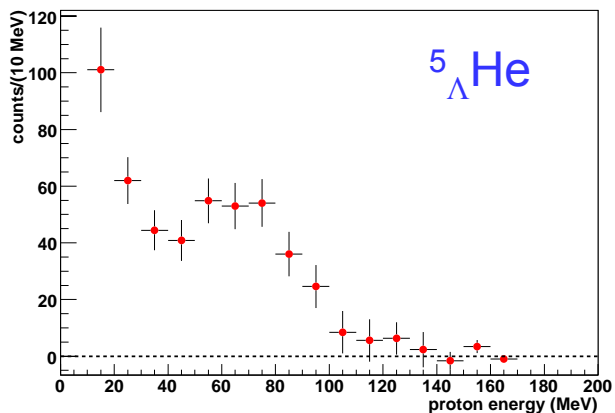
Background Simulation: 4 millions of events generated in all the spectrometer $\rightarrow 3.8 \times 10^5$ events with a K^- stopped in a ^6Li target

Proton spectra from $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$ NMWD (3)



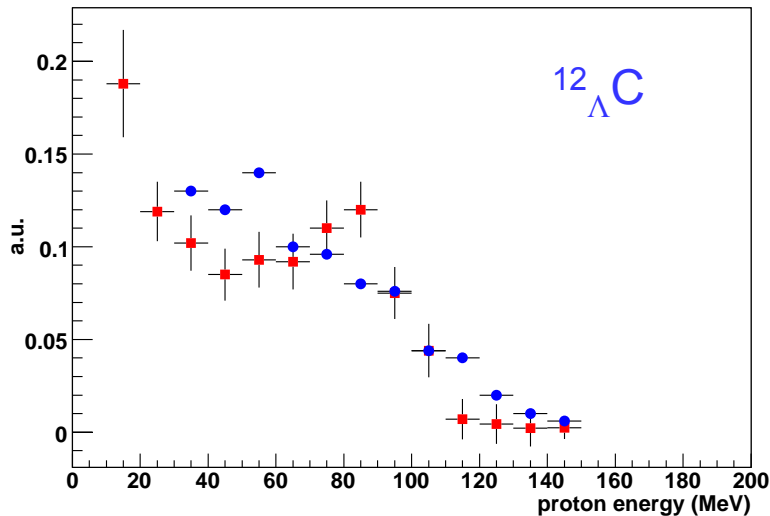
- **Proton energy spectrum** for the NMWD of $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$ after the background subtraction (sum of the three ^{12}C targets)
- The low energy region is dominated by the **FSI** contribution and two-nucleons induced NMWD
- The signal at about **80 MeV** (half of the Q value of the reaction) still remains

First direct measurement of Γ_p



Target	Hypernucleus	Γ_p (units of Γ_{Λ})
${}^{12}\text{C}$	${}^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$	0.43 ± 0.07
${}^6\text{Li}$	${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$	0.28 ± 0.09
${}^7\text{Li}$	${}^7_{\Lambda}\text{Li}$	0.37 ± 0.09
${}^7\text{Li}$	${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$	0.21 ± 0.12
Mean of ${}^6\text{Li}$ and ${}^7\text{Li}$ values	${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$	0.25 ± 0.07

FINUDA vs KEK

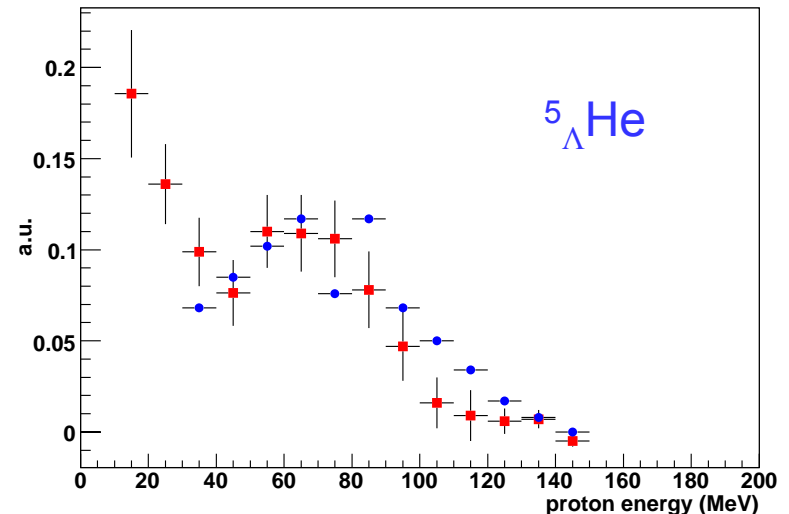


- proton energy spectrum from KEK experiment
- proton energy spectrum from FINUDA experiment
- The two spectra are normalized to area beyond 35 MeV

■ Kolmogorov-Smirnov test applied to the data gives :

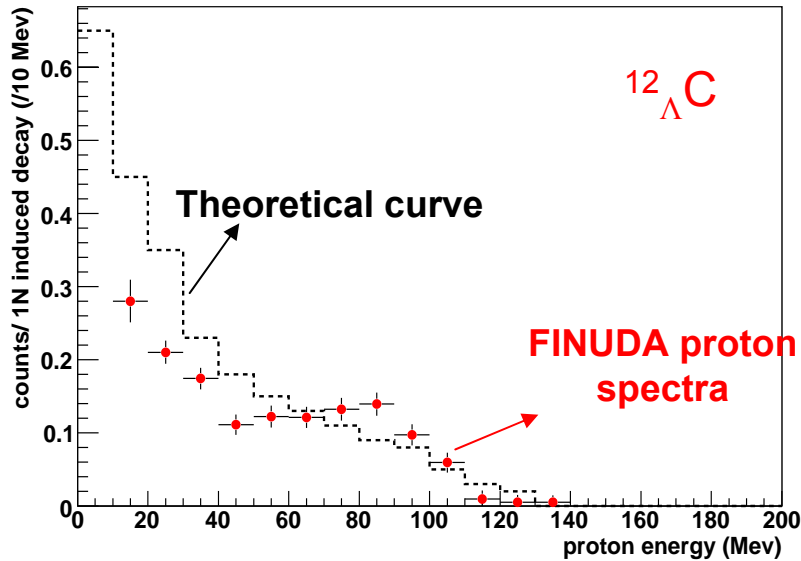
$^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$ a probability of $P=0.52$ at a confidence level of 5% → **Low compatibility**

$^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ a probability of $P=0.78$ at a confidence level of 75% → **good compatibility**



Comparison with theoretical calculations

(Phys. Rev. C 69 054603 [2004])



■ $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$: the FSI and the contribution of the two- nucleons induced NMWD seems to be too strong to reproduce the data

$^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$: accounting for nucleon FSI for light hypernuclei by means of Monte Carlo techniques is questionable

■ Kolmogorov-Smirnov test applied to the theoretical and experimental data gives :

$^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$ a probability of $P=0.5$ at a confidence level of 5% → **Low compatibility**

$^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ a probability of $P=0.65$ at a confidence level of 75%

(Phys. Rev. C 69 054603 [2004])

