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#### What Alice can find through the Looking-Glass About mirror matter searches with J-PET

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"Is Quantum Theory exact? From quantum foundations to quantum applications" Frascati, 25.09. 2019

### Disclaimer

- $\ensuremath{\scriptstyle \rightarrow}$  Rather ideas than results ...

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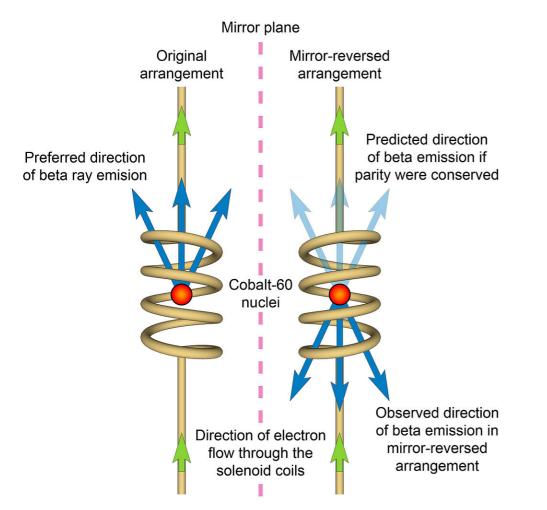
- $\rightarrow$  ... but for any errors in the presentation you should blame me,
- → All Alice drawing by John Tenniel

## **Parity (mirror) symmetry**

Parity transformation:  $x \rightarrow -x$ y → -y Z → -Z - ALTIST

## **Our world is not (parity-) symmetric**

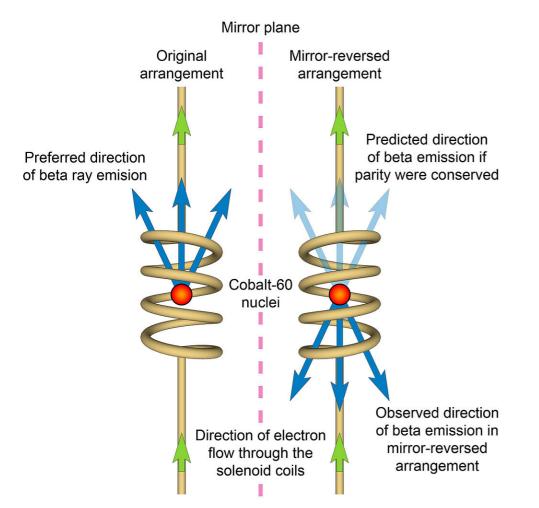
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#### **Experimental confirmations:**

C. S. Wu et al.

Phys. Rev. 105 (1956) 1413

R. L. Garwin, L. Lederman and R. Weinrich Phys. Rev. 104 (1956) 254

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If such asymmetry is indeed found, the question could still be raised whether there could not exist corresponding elementary particles exhibiting opposite asymmetry such that in the broader sense there will still be over-all right-left symmetry.

In such a picture the supposedly observed right-andleft asymmetry is therefore ascribed not to a basic noninvariance under inversion, but to a cosmologically local preponderance

## Short history of mirror matter (models)

Kobzarev, Okun & Pomeranchuk – hidden mirror sector

Glashow – orthopositronium as a probe to mirror matter world

S. L. Glashow Phys. Lett. B 167 (1986) 35

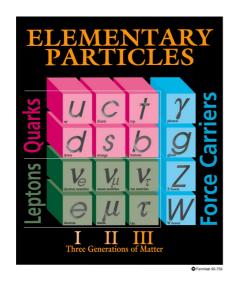
A lot of different ideas and models based on the mirror matter

L. B. Okun Phys. Usp. 50 (2007) 380-389 [hep-ph/0606202]

(Foot, Gninenko, Kobzarev Pomeranchuk, Berezhiani, Mohapatra and others):

- mirror astrophysics
- mirror cosmology
- mirror symmetry breaking
- mirror searches at LHC (mixing of normal and mirror higgs)

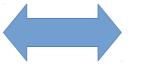
#### Matter



#### Mirror matter



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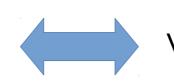


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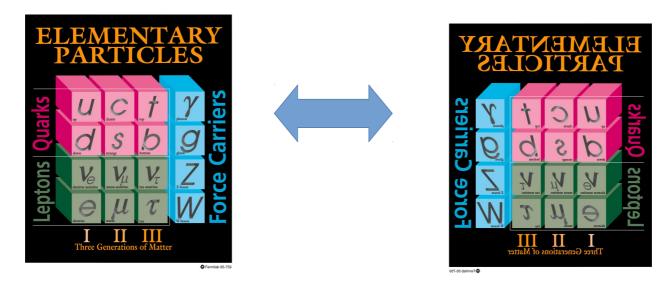


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V+A for weak interactions

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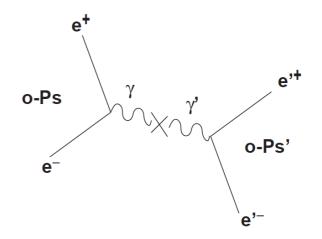
## How mirror matter can interact with matter?



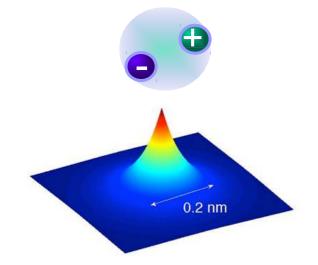
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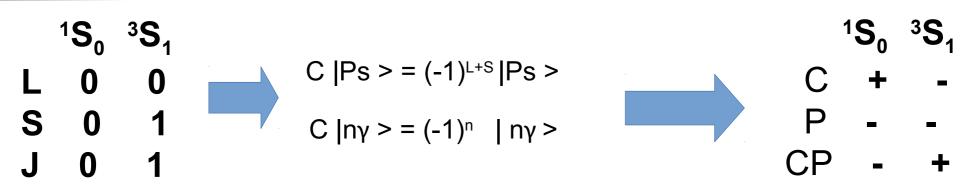
Mirror matter particles as candidates for dark matter

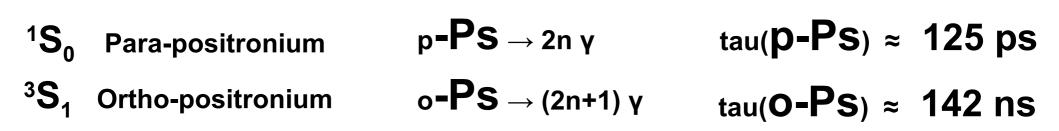
→ New kind of interactions:
L = L + L' + L<sub>mix</sub> - kinetic mixing term



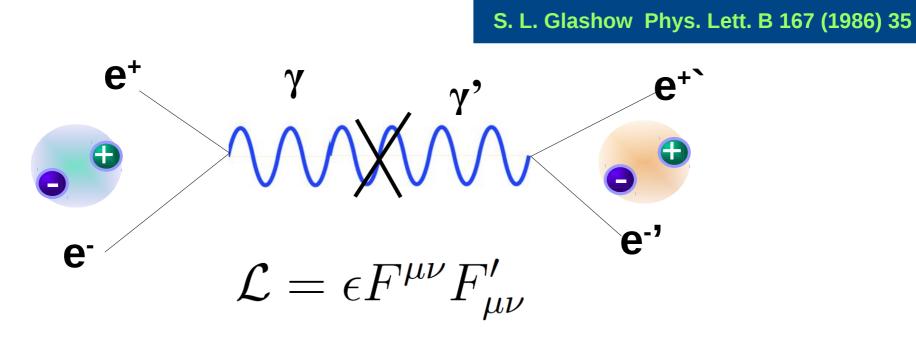
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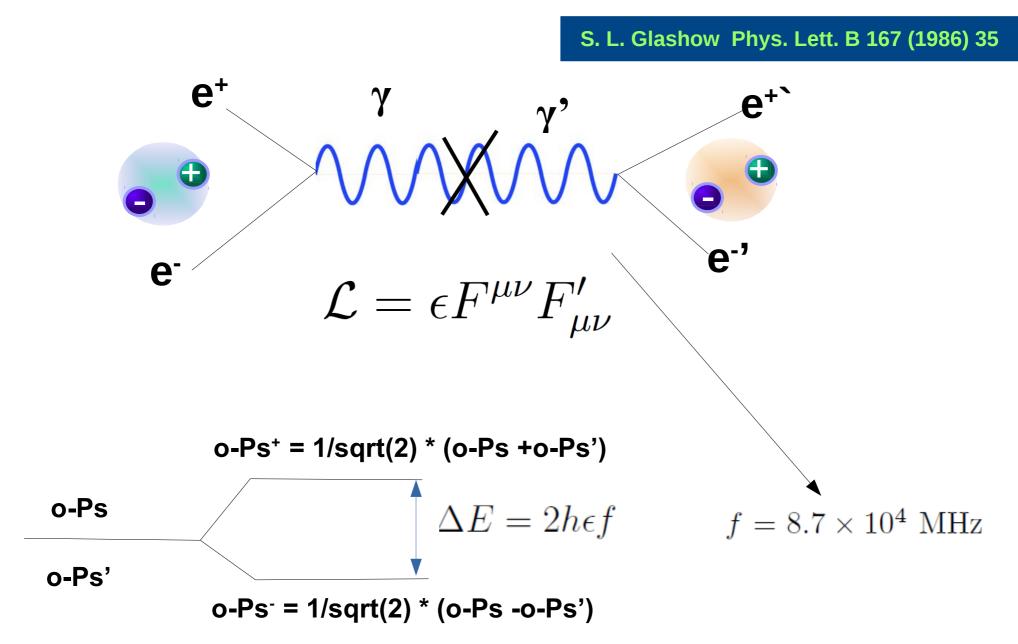




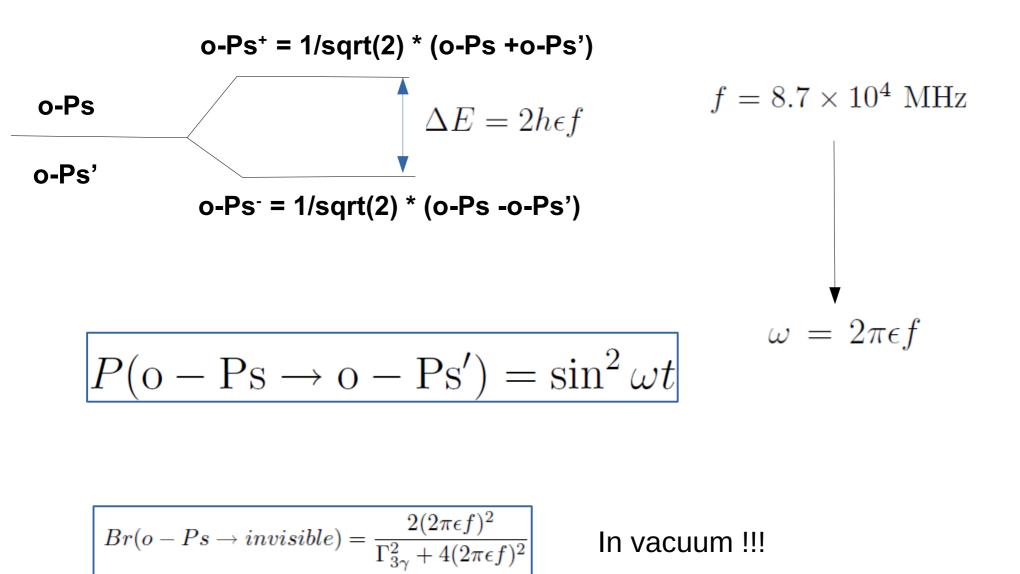
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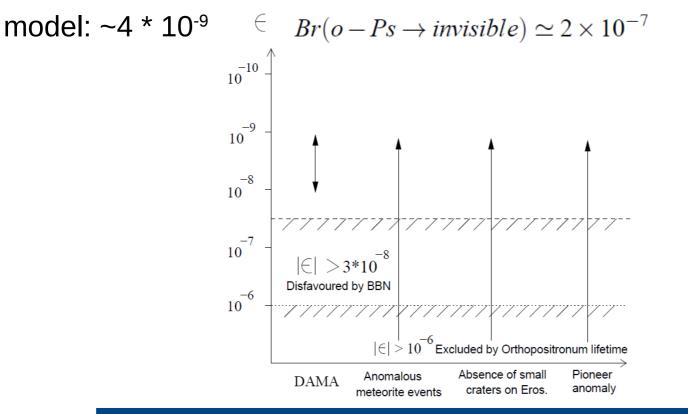
#### o-Ps and mirror o-Ps' oscillations



### **Astro-physical observation constraints**

R. Foot . Phys.Rev.D 69 (2004) 036001

- From primordial abundance of <sup>4</sup>He:  $\epsilon \leq 3 \times 10^{-8}$   $Br(o Ps \rightarrow invisible) < 10^{-5}$
- Mirror matter as dark matter e.g. mirror matter halo of galaxies
- DAMA astrophysical observations reinterpreted within the mirror matter



A. Rubbia Int.J.Mod.Phys. A19 (2004) 3961-3985[hep-ph/0402151v1]

## How would it manifest experimentally?

o-Ps' escapes detection  $\rightarrow$  Br(oPs  $\rightarrow$  invisible) = ?

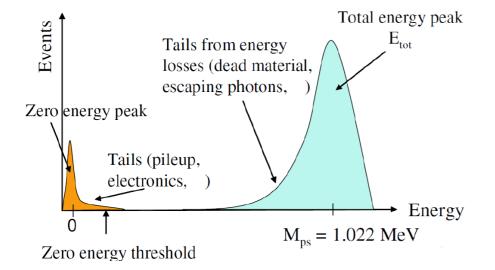
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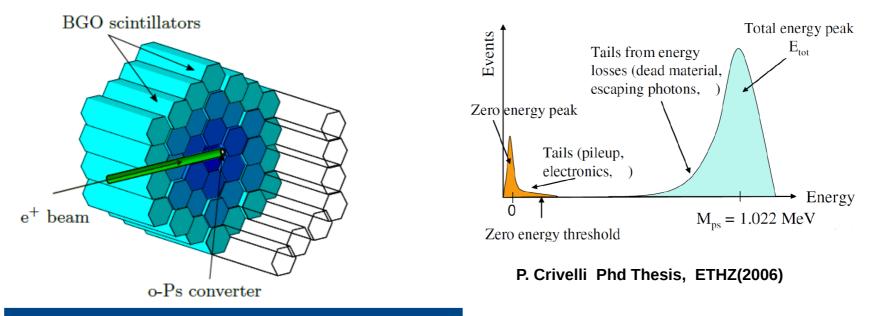
Precise o-Ps lifetime measurements



... and compare with QED predictions

P. Crivelli Phd Thesis, ETHZ(2006)

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#### C. Vigo et al . Phys.Rev.D 97 (2018) 092008

- Several measurements by ETHZ group
- → Use of slow positron beam (~15000 e<sup>+</sup>/s ) on thin silica films (~ 30% prob. of o-Ps)
- Micro-Channel Plate detector to tag positron (Start signal)
- → Highly hermetic BGO calorimeter (total signal efficiency ~92%)
- → Decay of o-Ps in a vacuum cavity

 $BR(o-Ps \rightarrow invisible) < 5.9 \times 10^{-4}$ , 90% C.L.

 $\varepsilon < 3.1 \times 10^{-7} (90\% \text{ C. L.})$ 



### **Precise measurments of o-Ps lifetime**

$$D(o - Ps \rightarrow o - Ps') = \sin^2 \omega t \qquad f = 8.7 \times 10^4 \text{ MHz}$$

 $\omega = 2\pi c f$ 

Number of observed o-Ps

$$N = (1 - \sin^2(\omega t)) e^{-\Gamma t} \approx \exp[-(\omega t)^2 - \Gamma t]$$

#### **Compare lifetime with QED calculations**

$$\Gamma(o - Ps \to 3\gamma, 5\gamma) = \frac{2(\pi^2 - 9)\alpha^6 m_e}{9\pi} \left[ 1 + A\frac{\alpha}{\pi} + \frac{\alpha^2}{3}\ln\alpha + B\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 - \frac{3\alpha^3}{2\pi}\ln^2\alpha + C\frac{\alpha^3}{\pi}\ln\alpha + D\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^3 + \dots \right]$$

S. Bass Acta Phys. Pol. B 50 no7 (2019) 1319

### o-Ps lifetime

#### Non-relativistic QED predictions up to NNLO:

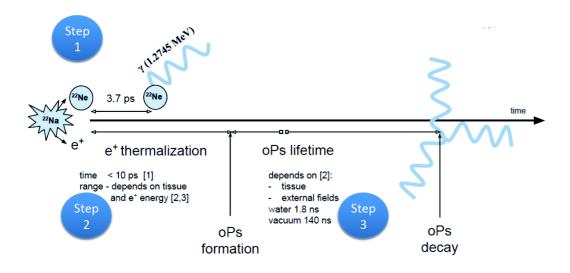
 $\Gamma = 7.039979(11) \times 10^6 \,\mathrm{s}^{-1}$ 

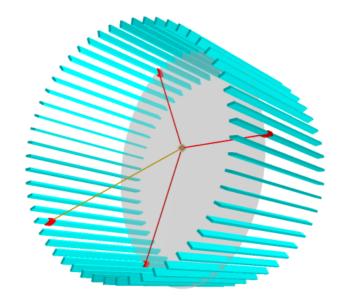
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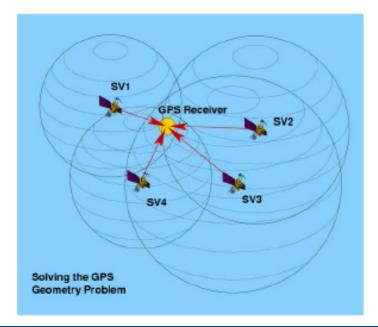
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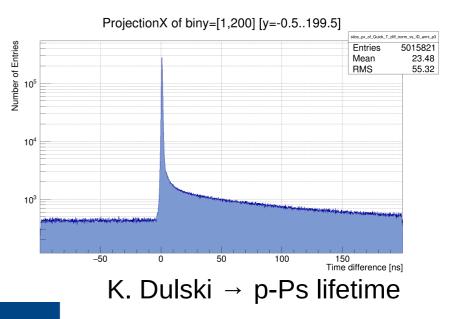
## Theory predictions 100 times more precise: 10<sup>-6</sup> vs 10<sup>-4</sup>

### **Determination of Ps lifetime in J-PET**





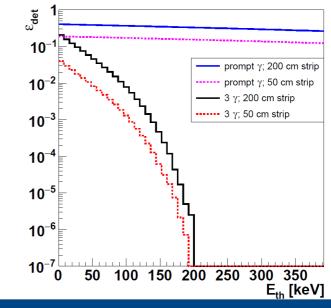




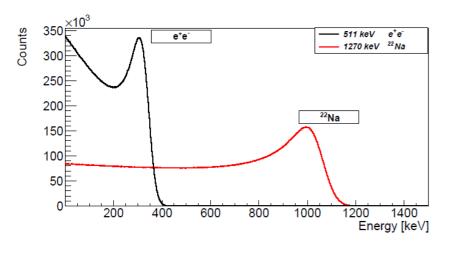
A. Gajos et al. Nucl. Instrum. Methods. A819 (2016) 54

#### **Invisible decays and J-PET ?**





P. Moskal, D. Kisielewska et al. Phys. Med. Biol. 64 (2019) 055017

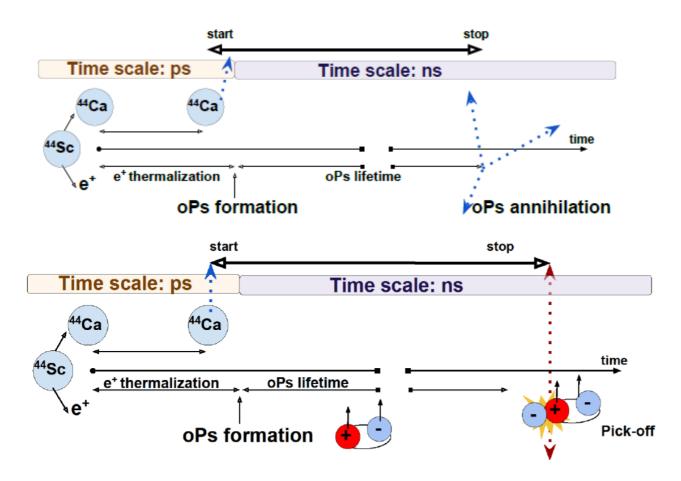


Simple estimate (no background): Source activity = $10^6$ 

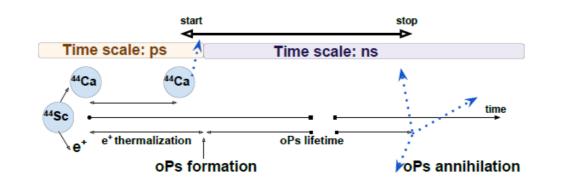
XAD-4 o-Ps creation prob. = 29%o-Ps/year generated ~ $10^{14}$ Registration efficiency for the new detector

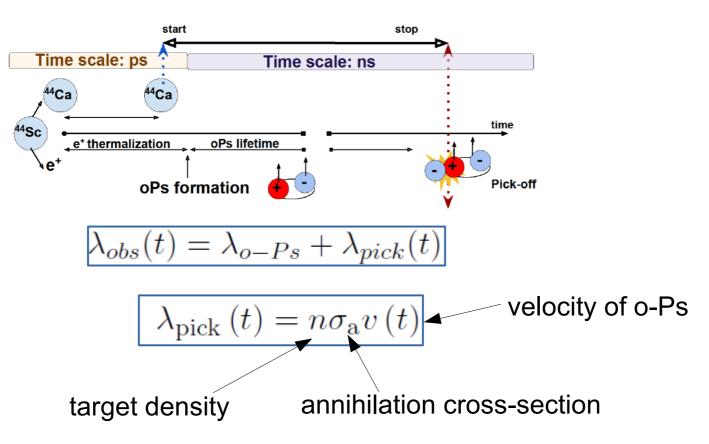
#### After two years of data taking <10<sup>-5</sup>

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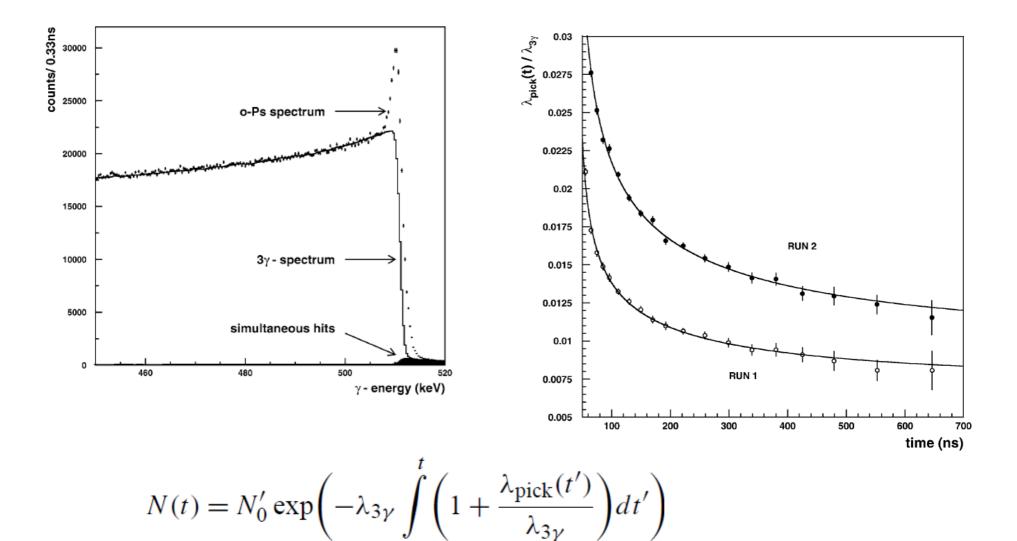


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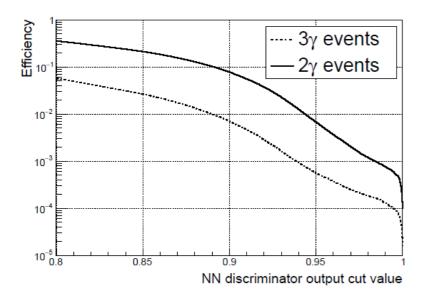
### **Tokyo group method**



#### O. Jinnouchi et al. Phys. Lett. B 572 (2003) 117

# Neural network classifier for pick-off $\lambda_{pick}(t)$ determination

#### **ETHZ** method proposal



#### C. Vigo et al. (2019) [805.06384v]



- very good timing resolution
- → very good angular resolution (~1 deg)
- $\ensuremath{\scriptstyle \rightarrow}$  vertex determination with trilateration

methods



- very good topological cut
   +
- → reasonable energy resolution



### In the future: Modular J-PET with positron beam?

### Mirror matter and cosmological evolution



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### Conclusions

- → Mirror matter particles as proposed Dark Matter candidates
- → Constraints from astrophysical observations (DAMA & DAMA/LIBRE)
- Orthopositronium system as a probe of the mirror world
- $\rightarrow$  J-PET as a suitable detection system for o-Ps lifetime measurements
- → Main challenge is the pick-off background
- → In the future : J-PET with positron beams?



### Thank you for your attention

## **Properties**

- 192 detection modules arranged in 3 layers
  - 19x5x500 mm<sup>3</sup> EJ-230 scintillator strips + Hamamatsu R9800 photomultipliers.
- Novel digital front-end electronics probing signals at multiple thresholds.

[M. Pałka et al. JINST 12 (2017) no.08, P08001]

Trigger-less and reconfigurable DAQ system.

[G. Korcyl et al. Acta Phys.Polon. B47 (2016) 491]

- Annihilation gamma quanta hit time measurement: σ<sub>t</sub>(0.511 MeV) ~ 125 ps. [P. Moskal et al., Nucl.Instrum.Meth. A775 (2015) 54-62]
- Gamma quanta energy resolution:  $\sigma_E/E = 0.044/\sqrt{E(MeV)}$  [P. Moskal et al. Nucl.Instrum.Meth. A764 (2014) 317]
- Resolution of photons relative angles measurement ~ 1°.
- o-ps spin and photon polarization measurement.