

Panel Discussion 2:

Baggage Inspection System

Developed by JAEA

for Detection of Concealed Special Nuclear Materials



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Project: 2007-2009 JFY

Japanese government (Cabinet Office and MEXT) had promoted technology developments for shoreline operation.

Motivation:

To control Special Nuclear Materials (SNM) by shoreline operation

Organization on joint R&D: JAEA – University of Tokyo (Prof. Uesaka) – IHI

JAEA:

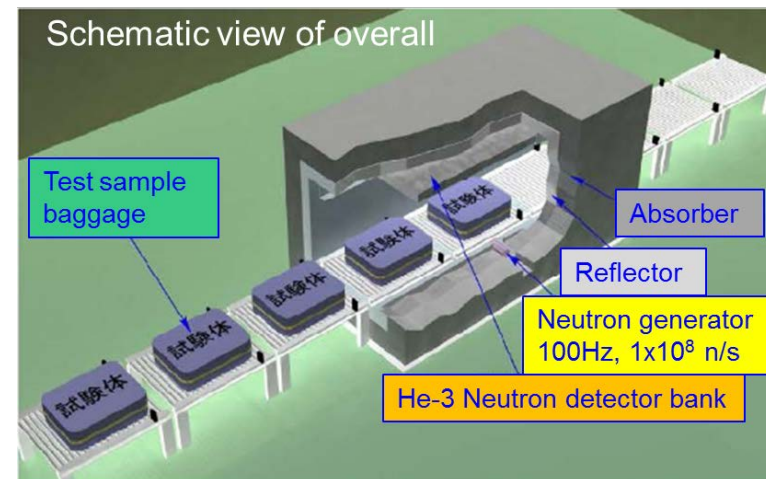
Detection of SNM by neutron interrogation method

University of Tokyo:

Detection of heavy metal by double-energy X-ray imaging method

IHI:

Detection of γ -ray by passive γ -ray method

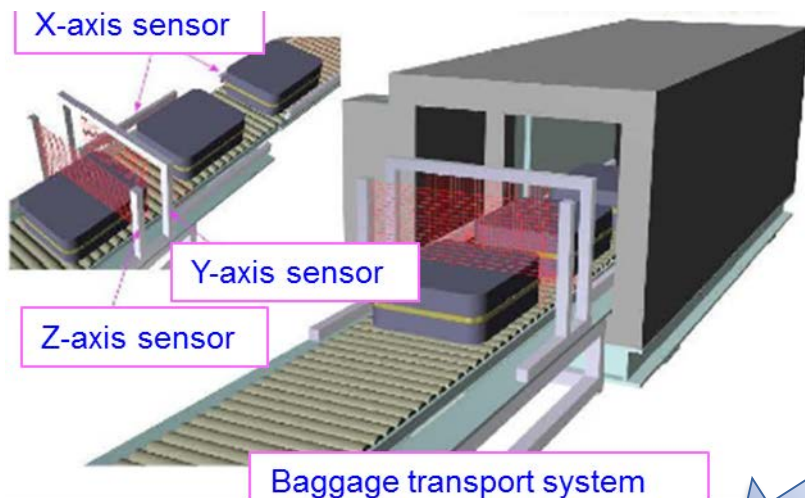


Principle of detection:

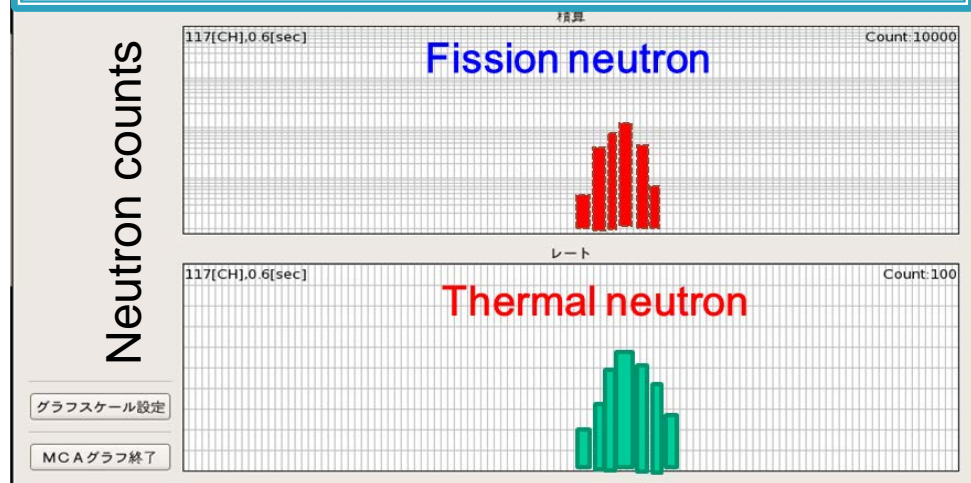
- (1) **Interrogate** a small amount of **neutrons** into a baggage
- (2) **Detect the fission neutrons** from concealed SNM in the baggage
- (3) Also detect the existing of concealment material



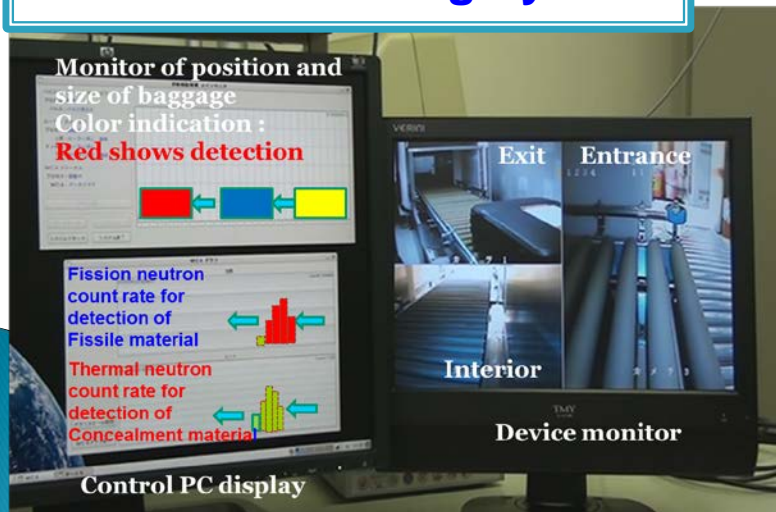
Measurement of Baggage Size



Detection of Fission & Thermal Neutron



Remote Monitoring System



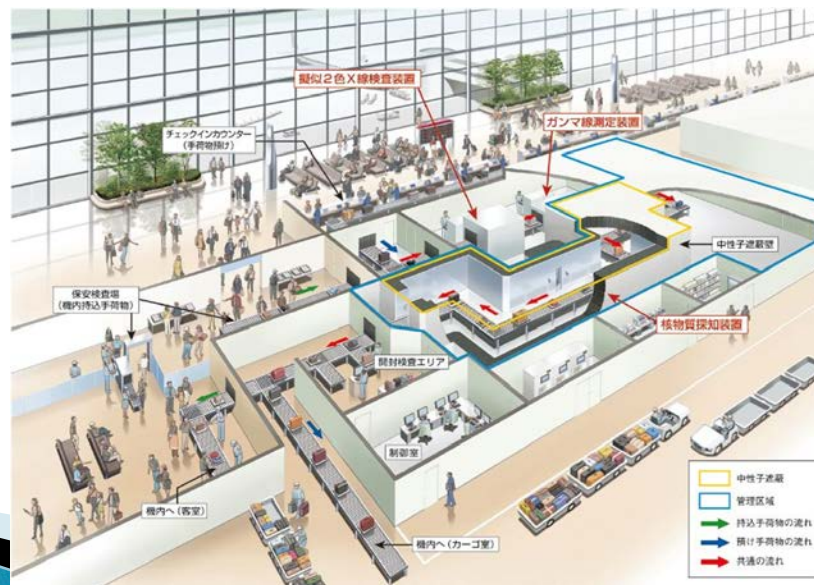
Demonstration Result:

Small amount of SNM and concealment material could be detected under the normal baggage transport speed, that is, within few seconds.

Summary of Baggage Inspection System



- JAEA had developed the baggage inspection prototype system for shoreline operation and demonstrated in 2009.
- If the government will take strong measures against nuclear terrorism, JAEA is ready to offer the technology.



Present R&D supported by MEXT (2015-2017 JFY):

“Development of Active Neutron NDA Technique”

DDA (Differential Die-Away analysis):

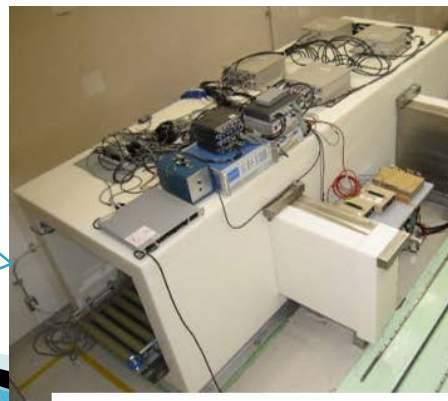
Measurement of total amount of fissile materials (**SNM**)

PGA (Prompt Gamma-ray Analysis):

Detection of an explosive material

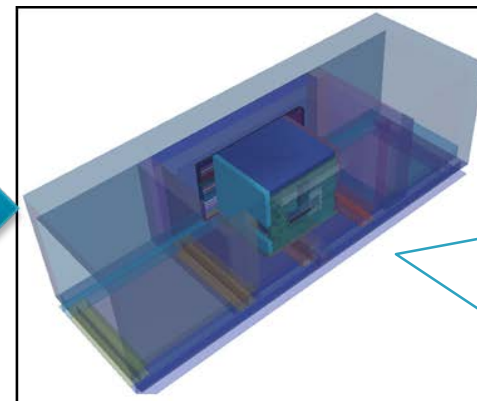
Now: Remodeling of the demonstrator *“Active-N”*

Baggage
inspection
system
for nuclear
security



Active-N (Mark I)

Remodel



Active-N (Mark II)

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Fuel
NDA
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