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Neutron lifetime measurement with pulsed beam at J- PARC: TPC and DAQ TAKAHITO YAMADA, RYO KATAYAMA, NAO HIGASHI, HARUMICHI YOKOYAMA, HIROCHIKA SUMINO, SATORU YAMASHITA, The University of Tokyo, RISA SAKAKIBARA, TOMOAKI SUGINO, MASAAKI KITAGUCHI, KATSUYA HIROTA, HIROHIKO M. SHIMIZU, Nagoya University, GENKI TANAKA, NAOYUKIO SUMI, HIDETOSHI OTONO, TAMAKI YOSH-IOKA, Kyushu University, RYUNOSUKE KITAHARA, YOSHIHISA IWASHITA, Kyoto University, HIDEYUKI OIDE, CERN, TATSUSHI SHIMA, Osaka University, YOSHICHIKA SEKI, RIKEN, KENJI MISHIMA, KAORU TAKETANI, TAKASHI INO, KEK, NOP COLLABORATION — The neutron lifetime is an important parameter for Big Bang nucleosynthesis (BBN). The best neutron lifetime measurements have uncertainties at the 0.1% level; however, they differ by 3.8 sigma. In order to resolve this discrepancy, we plan to measure the neutron lifetime using a method originally developed by Kossakowski et al. which is different from the other 0.1% accuracy experiments. In our method, which uses a pulsed cold neutron beam at J-PARC, the electrons from the beta decay of the neutron are detected with a time projection chamber (TPC). A small amount of ³He is added to the gas mixture in order to simultaneously measure the neutron flux. We report on the recent upgrade of the TPC and the Data Acquisition System which were used to take data during the period of February-June 2014.

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