

Systematic study of deeply-bound pionic atom and future perspectives

Takahiro Nishi
Department of Physics,
University of Tokyo

Collaborators

G.P.A. Berg^A, M. Dozono^B, N. Fukuda^B, T. Furuno^C, H. Fujioka^C, H. Geissel^D,
R.S. Hayano, N. Inabe^B, K. Itahashi^B, S. Itoh, D. Kameda^B, T. Kubo^B, H. Matsubara^B,
S. Michimasa^B, K. Miki^E, H. Miya, M. Nakamura^B, Y. Murakami, N. Nakatsuka^C, S. Noji^F,
K. Okochi, S. Ota, H. Suzuki^B, K. Suzuki^G, M. Takaki, H. Takeda^B,
Y. K. Tanaka, K. Todoroki, K. Tsukada^H, T. Uesaka^B, Y. Watanabe, H. Weick^D, H. Yamada,
and K. Yoshida^B

Univ. of Tokyo, Univ. of Notre Dame^A, RIKEN^B, Kyoto Univ.^C, GSI^D,
Osaka Univ.^E, Michigan State Univ.^F, SMI^G, Tohoku Univ.^H

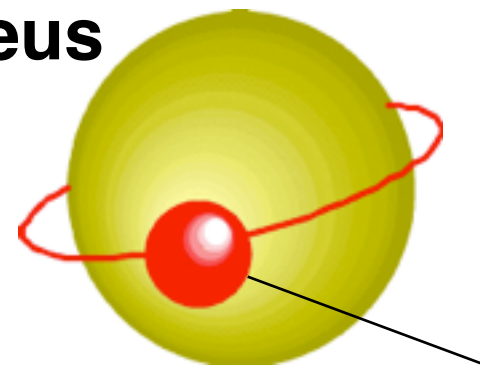
Index

- 1) Spectroscopy of deeply-bound pionic atom
- 2) Precise / systematic experiment in RIBF, RIKEN
- 3) Future perspectives ~ pionic unstable nuclei ~
- 4) Summary

1. Spectroscopy of
deeply-bound pionic atom

Deeply-bound pionic atom

Nucleus



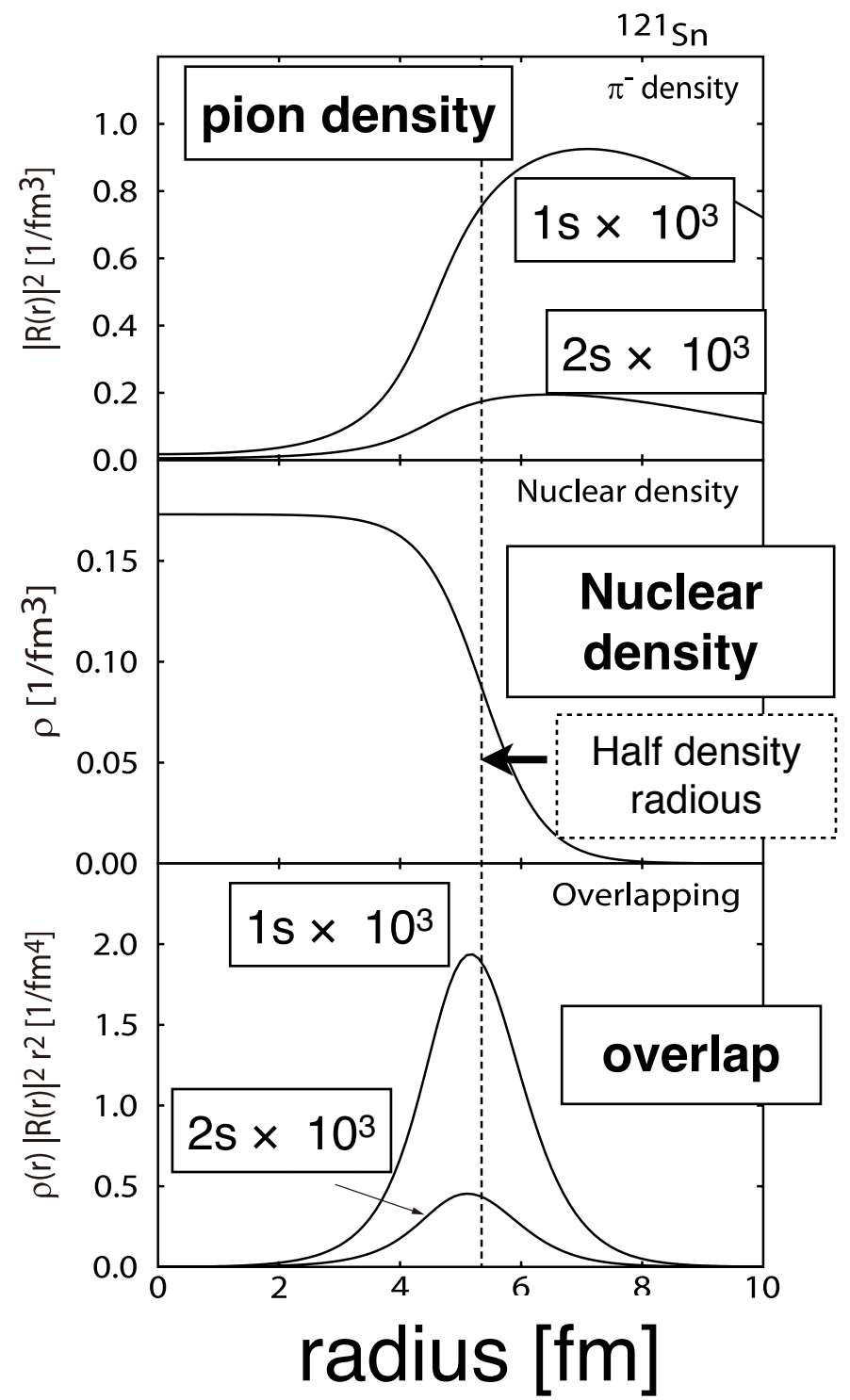
Coulomb

+

Strong

deep orbit in Heavy atom
 = Large overlap between pion and nucleus
 → probe for QCD in finite ρ

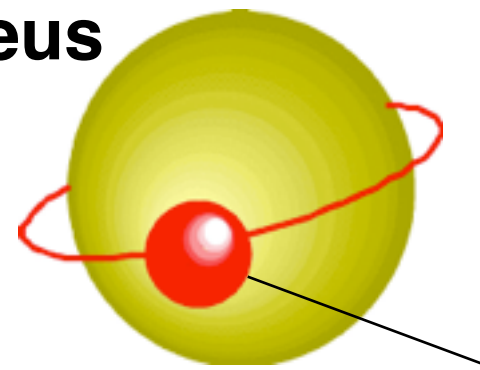
density [fm⁻³]



N. Ikeno *et al.*, PTP126(2011)483.

Deeply-bound pionic atom

Nucleus



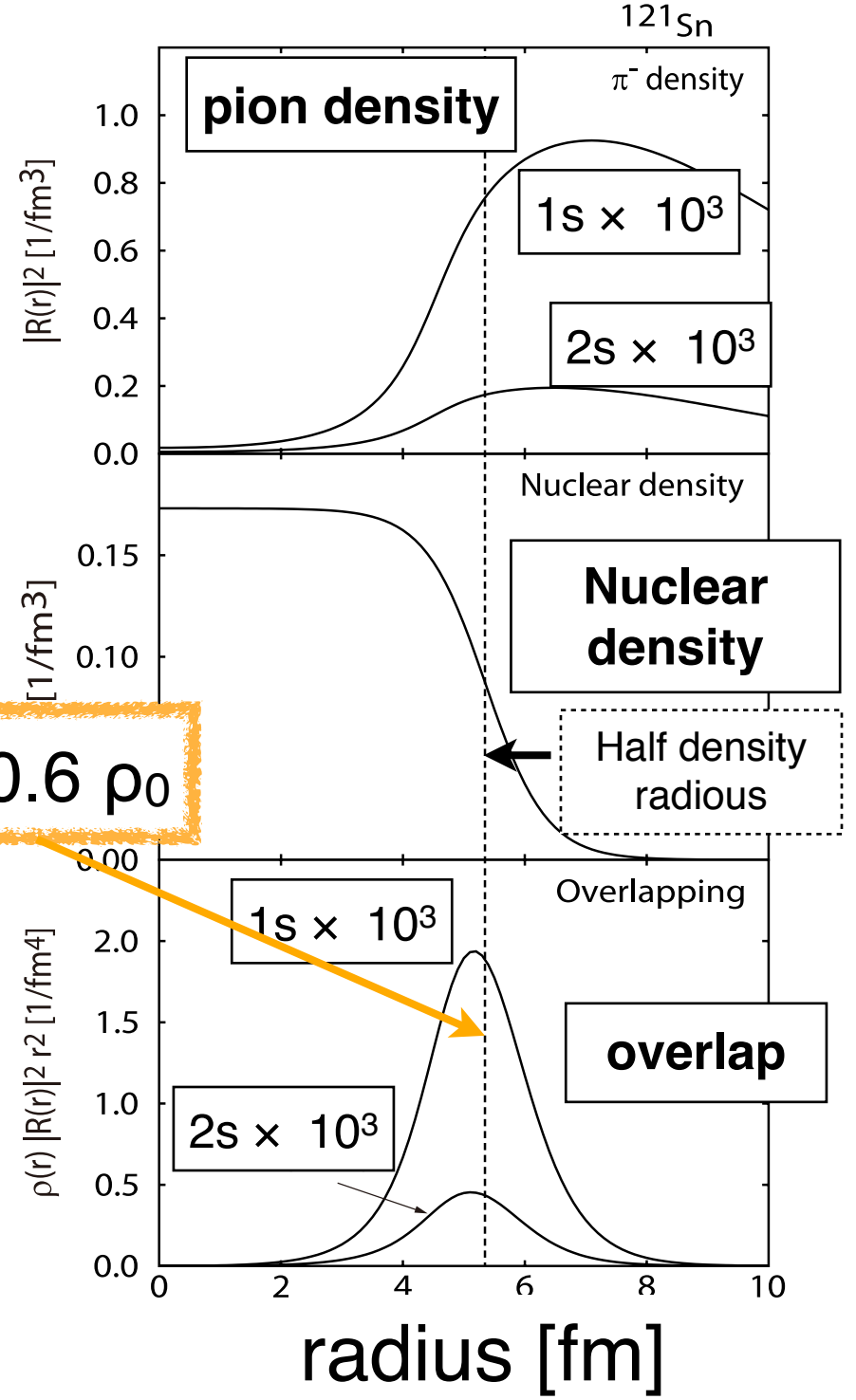
Coulomb

+

Strong

deep orbit in Heavy atom
 = Large overlap between pion and nucleus
 → probe for QCD in finite ρ

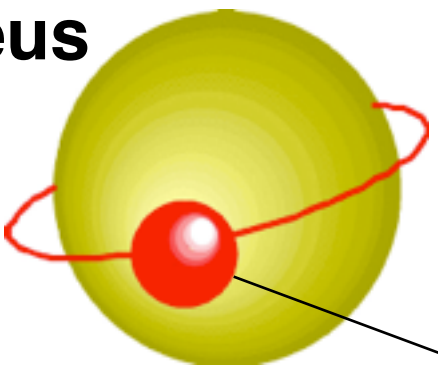
~ probing $0.6 \rho_0$



N. Ikeno *et al.*, PTP126(2011)483.

Deeply-bound pionic atom

Nucleus



Coulomb

+

Strong

deep orbit in Heavy atom
 = Large overlap between pion and nucleus

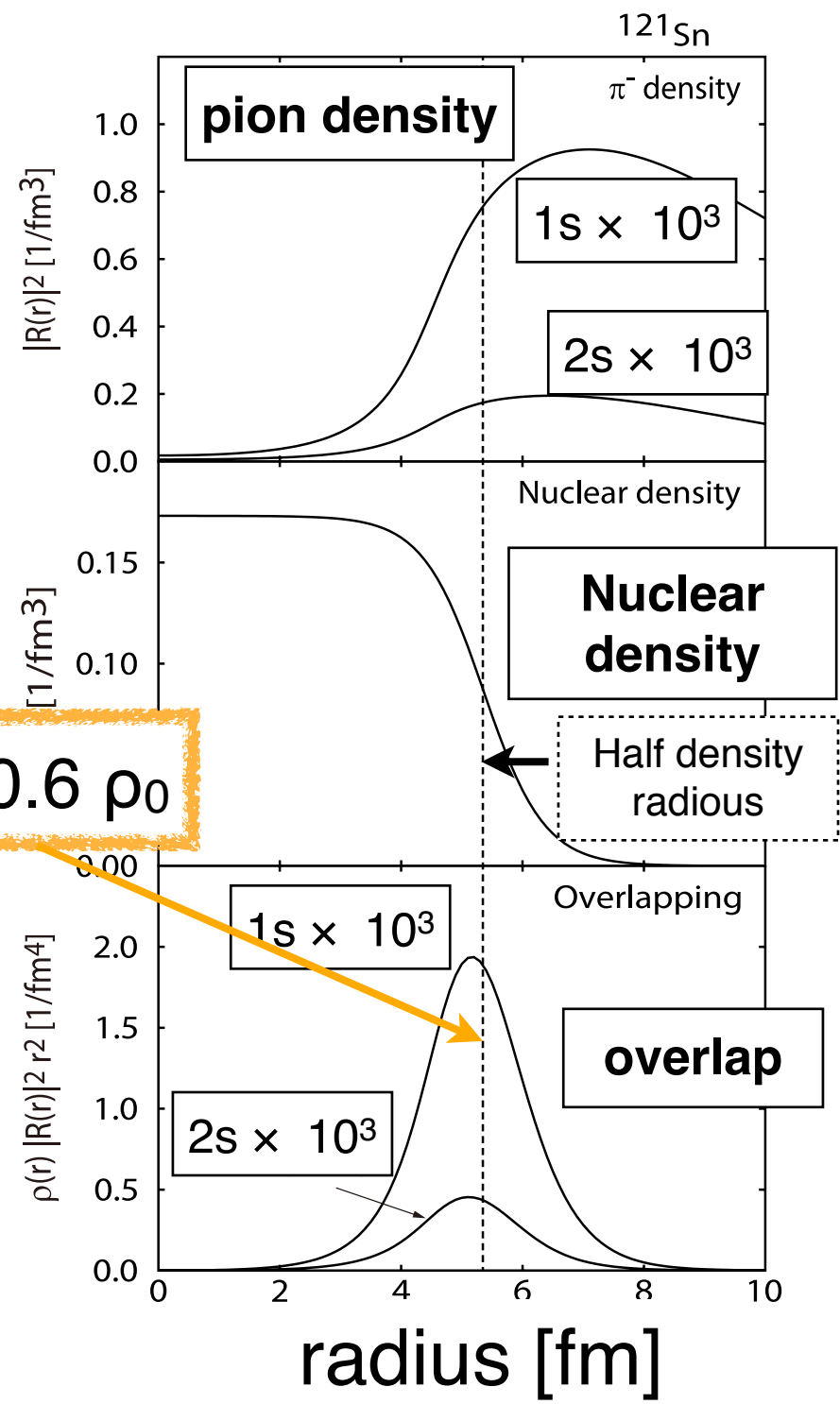
→ probe for QCD in finite ρ

E / Γ of pionic deep (1s, 2s, ...) states

π-A s-wave optical potential

$$V_s(r) = -\frac{2\pi}{\mu} [\epsilon_1 b_0 \{\rho(r) + b_1 \delta\rho(r)\} + \epsilon_2 B_0 \rho(r)^2].$$

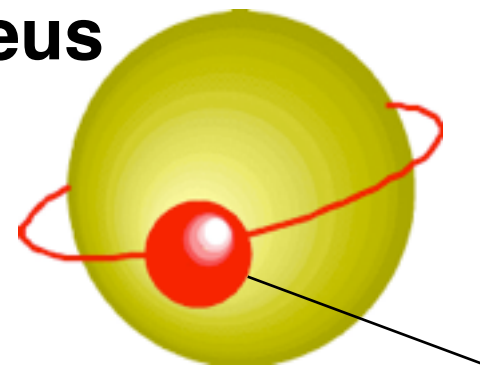
~ probing 0.6 ρ₀



N. Ikeno et al., PTP126(2011)483.

Deeply-bound pionic atom

Nucleus



Coulomb

+

Strong

deep orbit in Heavy atom
 = Large overlap between pion and nucleus

→ probe for QCD in finite ρ

~ probing 0.6 ρ₀

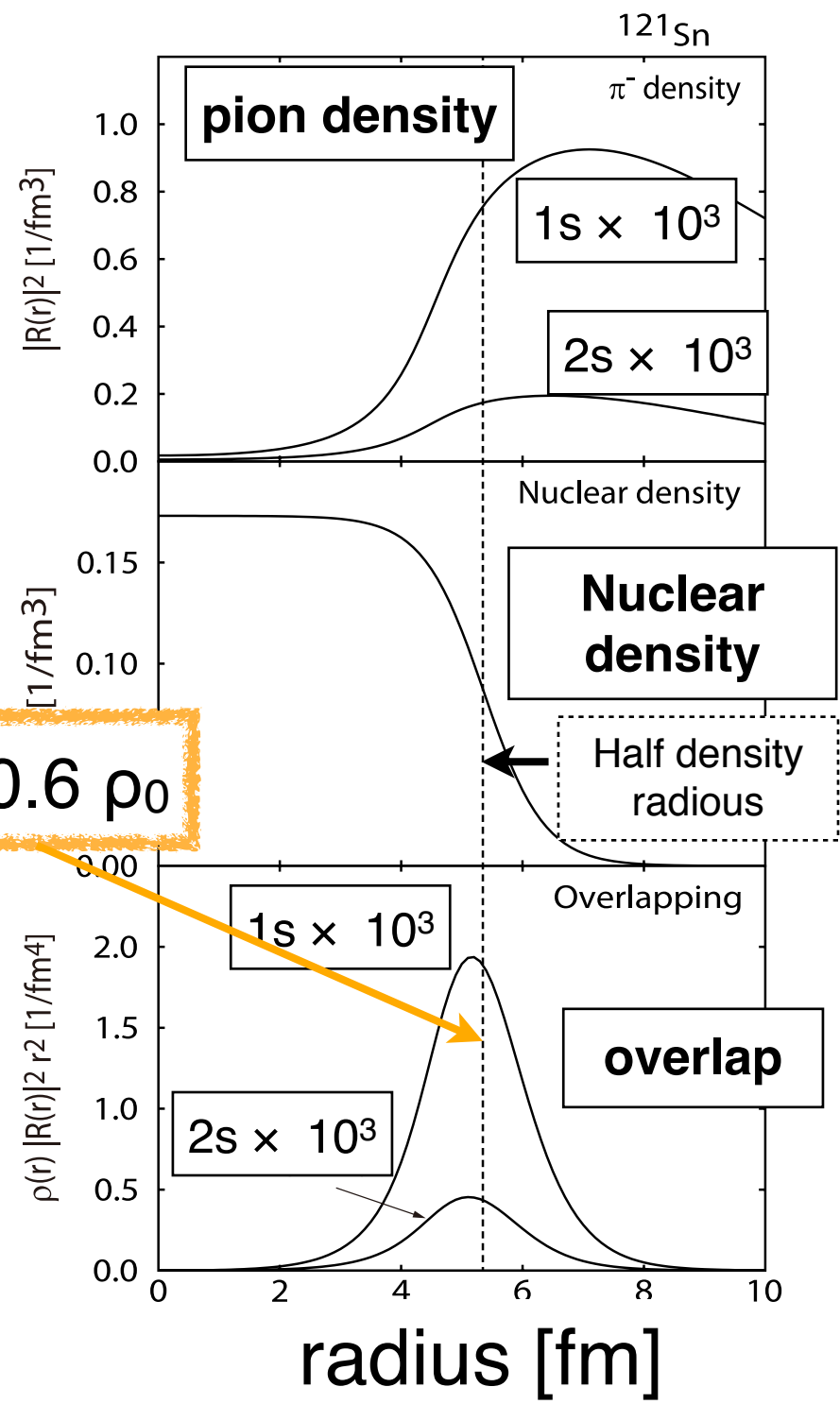
E / Γ of pionic deep (1s, 2s, ...) states

π-A s-wave optical potential

$$V_s(r) = -\frac{2\pi}{\mu} [\epsilon_1 b_0 \{\rho(r) + b_1 \delta\rho(r)\} + \epsilon_2 B_0 \rho(r)^2].$$

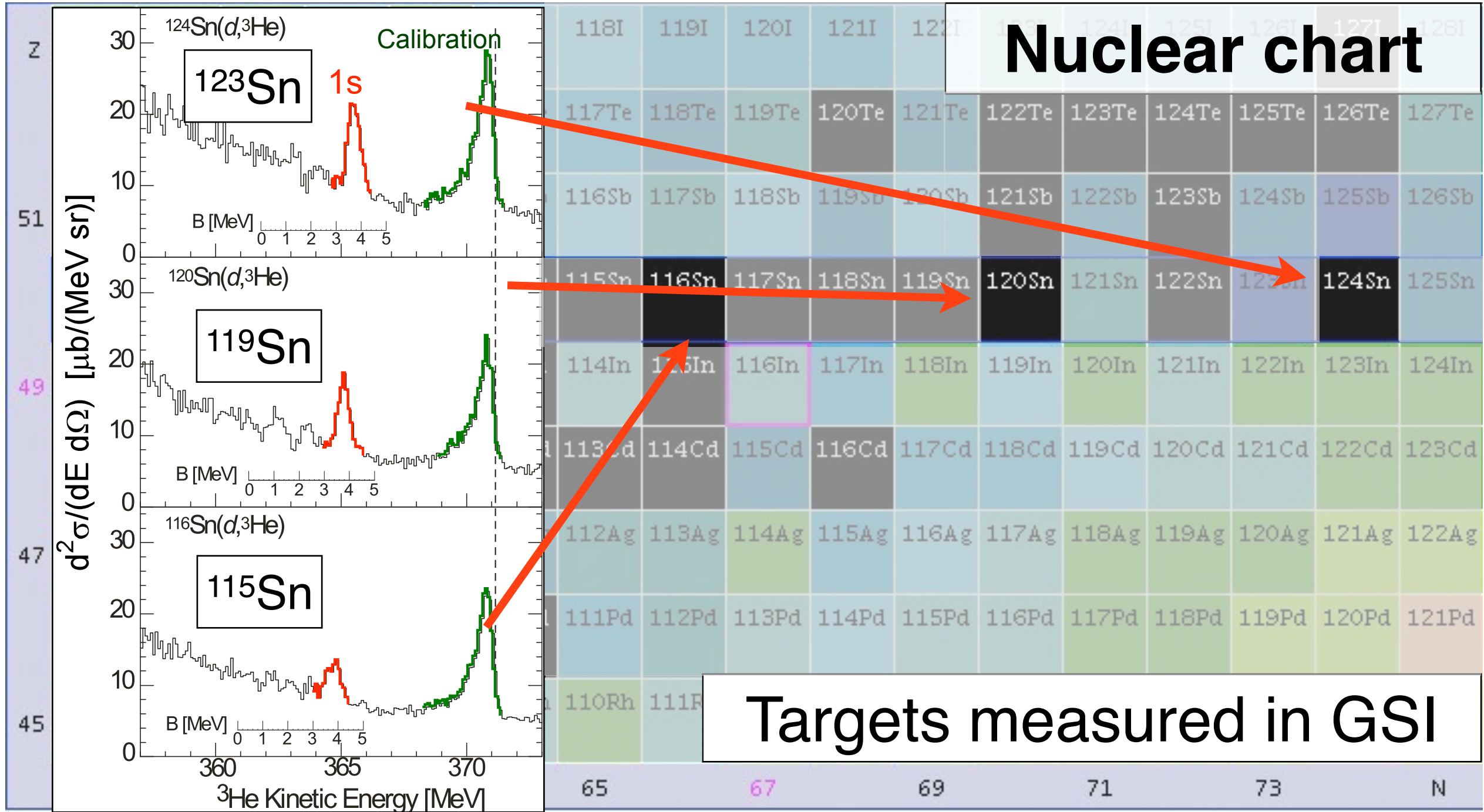
isovector scattering length

density [fm⁻³]



N. Ikeno et al., PTP126(2011)483.

Experiment at GSI



Deduction of b_1 from experimental data

TABLE I. Observed binding energies (B_{1s}) and widths (Γ_{1s}) of the $1s \pi^-$ states in $^{115,119,123}\text{Sn}$ isotopes.

Isotope	B_{1s} (MeV)	ΔB_{1s} (MeV)			Γ_{1s} (MeV)	$\Delta \Gamma_{1s}$ (MeV)		
		Stat.	Syst.	Total		Stat.	Syst.	Total
^{115}Sn	3.906	± 0.021	± 0.012	± 0.024	0.441	± 0.068	± 0.054	± 0.087
^{119}Sn	3.820	± 0.013	± 0.012	± 0.018	0.326	± 0.047	± 0.065	± 0.080
^{123}Sn	3.744	± 0.013	± 0.012	± 0.018	0.341	± 0.036	± 0.063	± 0.072

K. Suzuki et al., PRL92 072302 (2004)

π -A s-wave optical potential

$$V_s(r) = -\frac{2\pi}{\mu} [\epsilon_1 b_0 \{\rho(r) + b_1 \delta\rho(r)\} + \epsilon_2 B_0 \rho(r)^2].$$

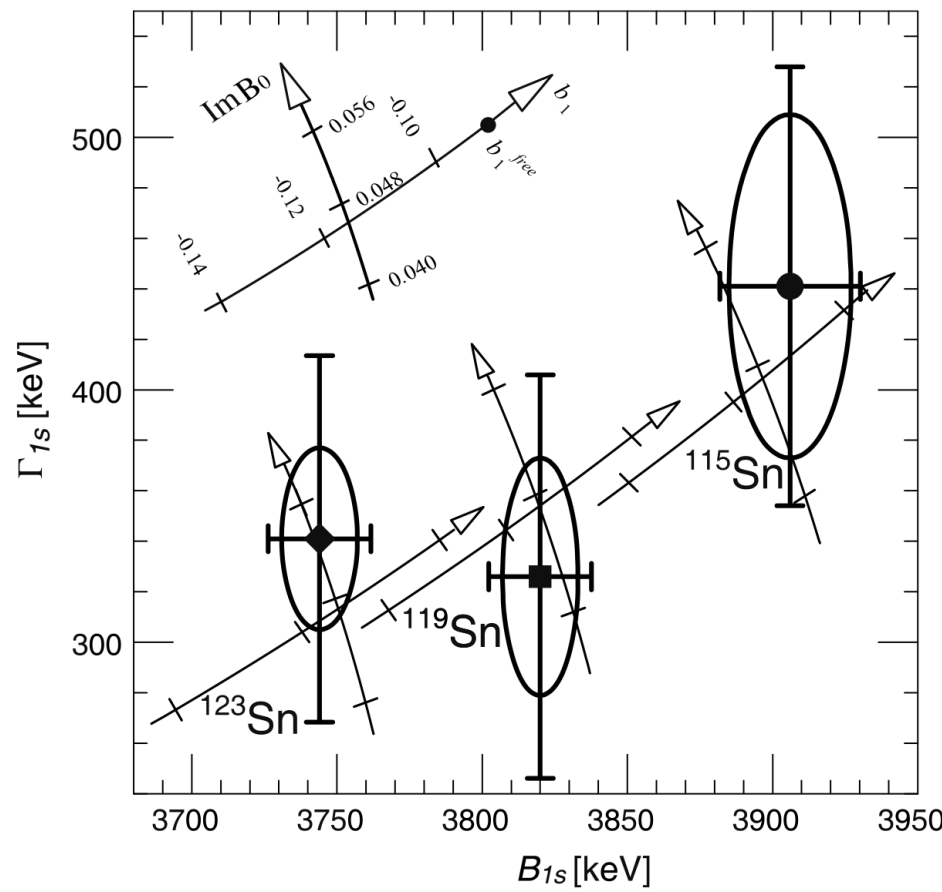
4 parameters ($b_0, b_1, \text{Re}B_0, \text{Im}B_0$) in equation
 \Leftrightarrow 2 parameters from each atom $\text{BE}_{1s}, \Gamma_{1s}$

- (i) Seki-Masutani relation (b_0 and $\text{Re}B_0$ has strong correlation)
- (ii) pionic atom of light / symmetric nuclei ($^{16}\text{O}, ^{20}\text{Ne}, ^{28}\text{Si}$)

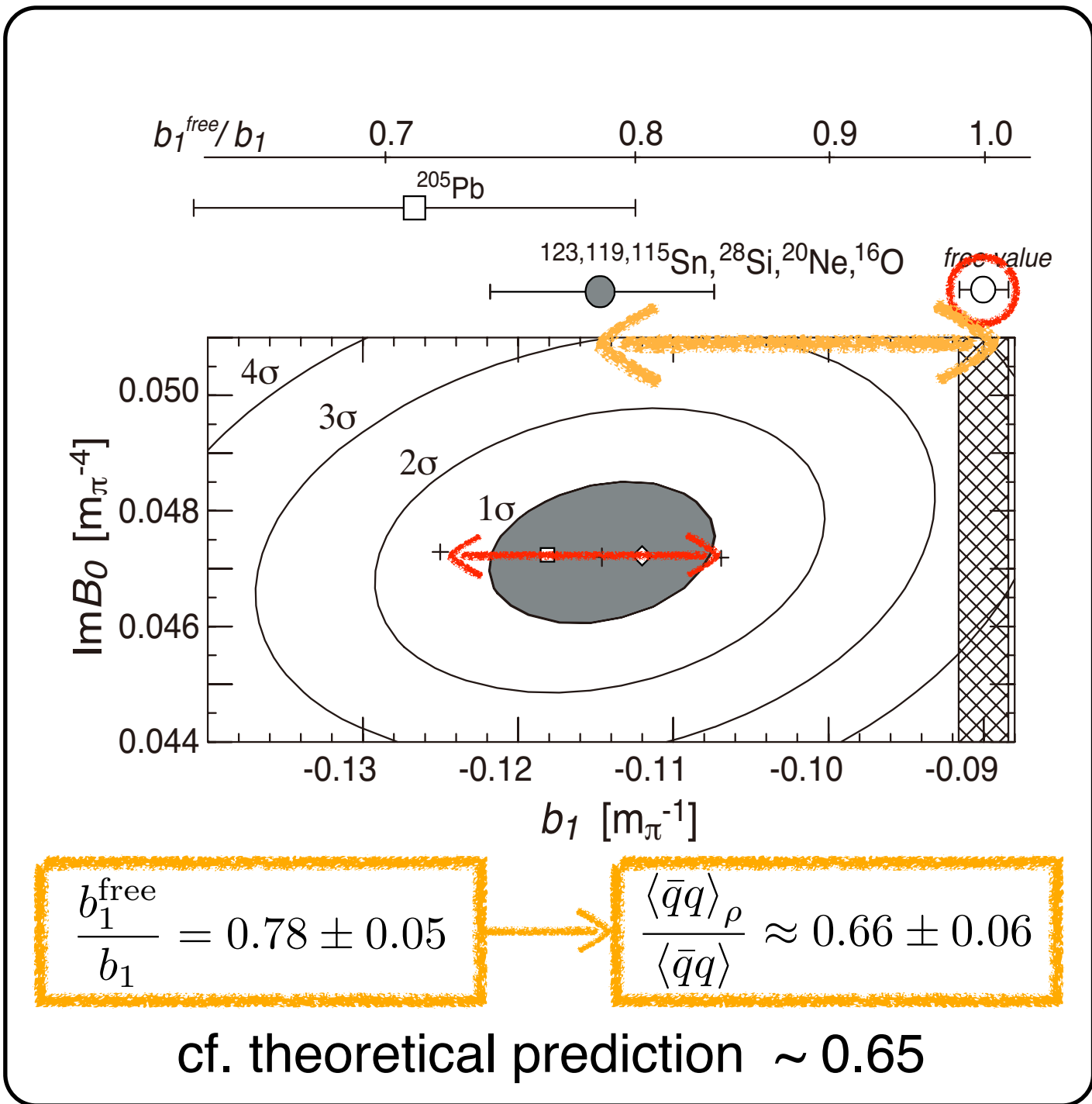
$$b_0^* = b_0 + 0.025 \text{Re}B_0 = -0.0274 \pm 0.0002$$

Deduction of b_1 from experimental data

BE_{1s} vs Γ_{1s}



Contour plot of χ^2

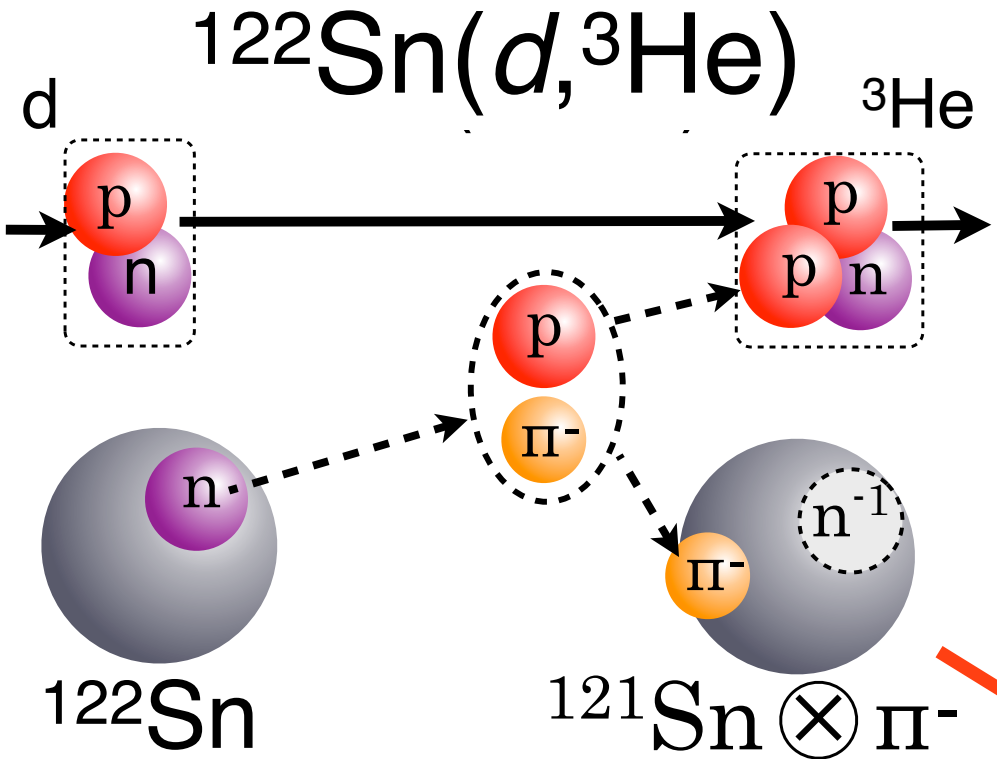


error of b_1 in medium is still large compared with that in vacuum!!
two main sources are

- experimental error
- neutron distribution ambiguities

***2. Precise / systematic
experiment at RIBF, RIKEN***

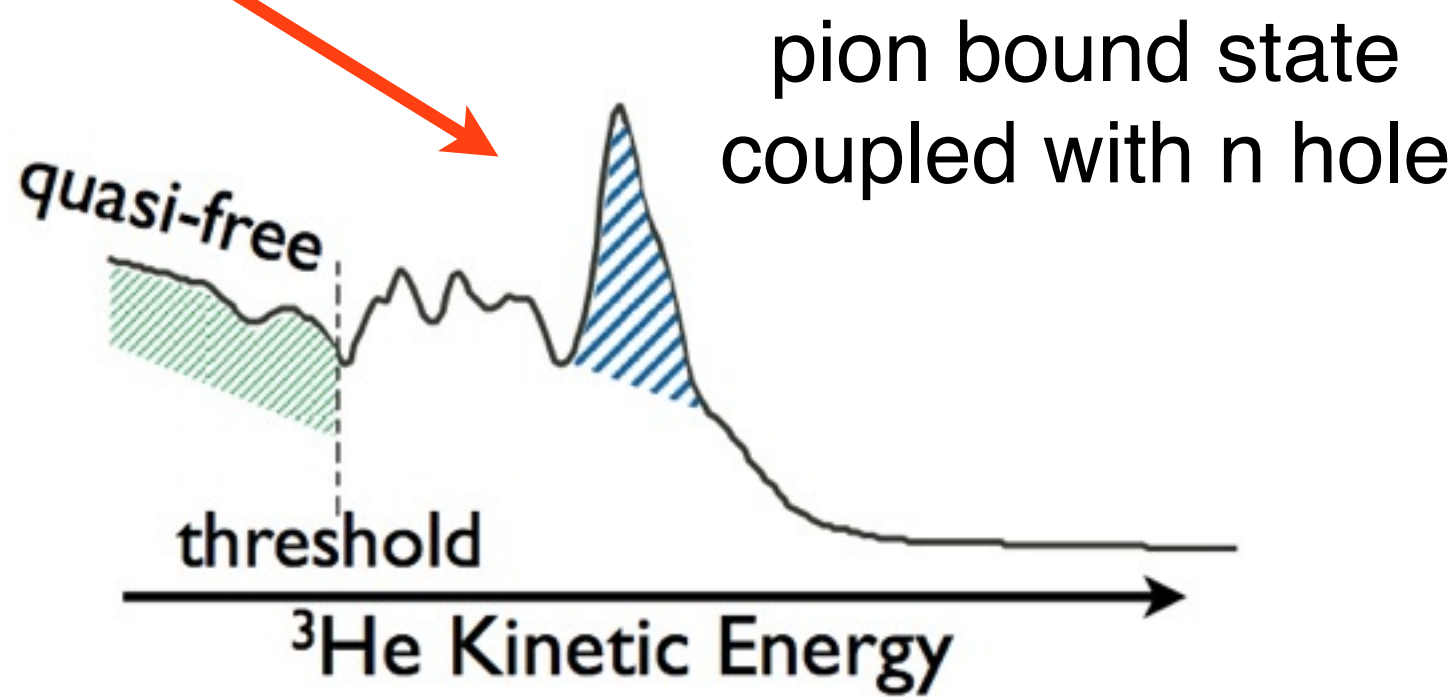
Production method; $(d, ^3\text{He})$ reaction



2 body kinematics
 → mass of the pionic atom
 can be calculated from **Q-value**

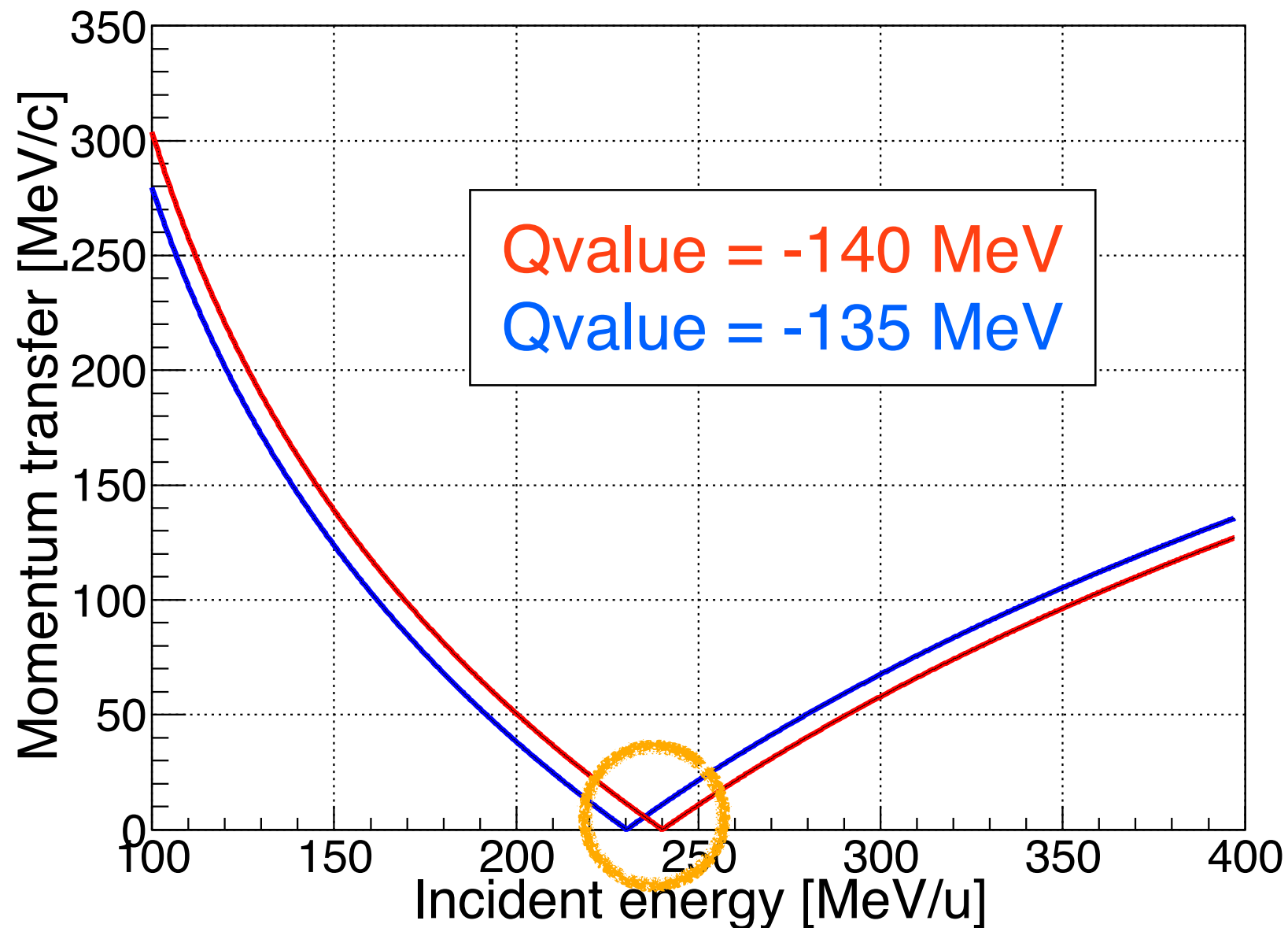
Calculated from E_d , $E_{^3\text{He}}$

Missing mass spectroscopy



Production method; (d,³He) reaction

recoilless condition at $T_d \doteq 250$ MeV/u

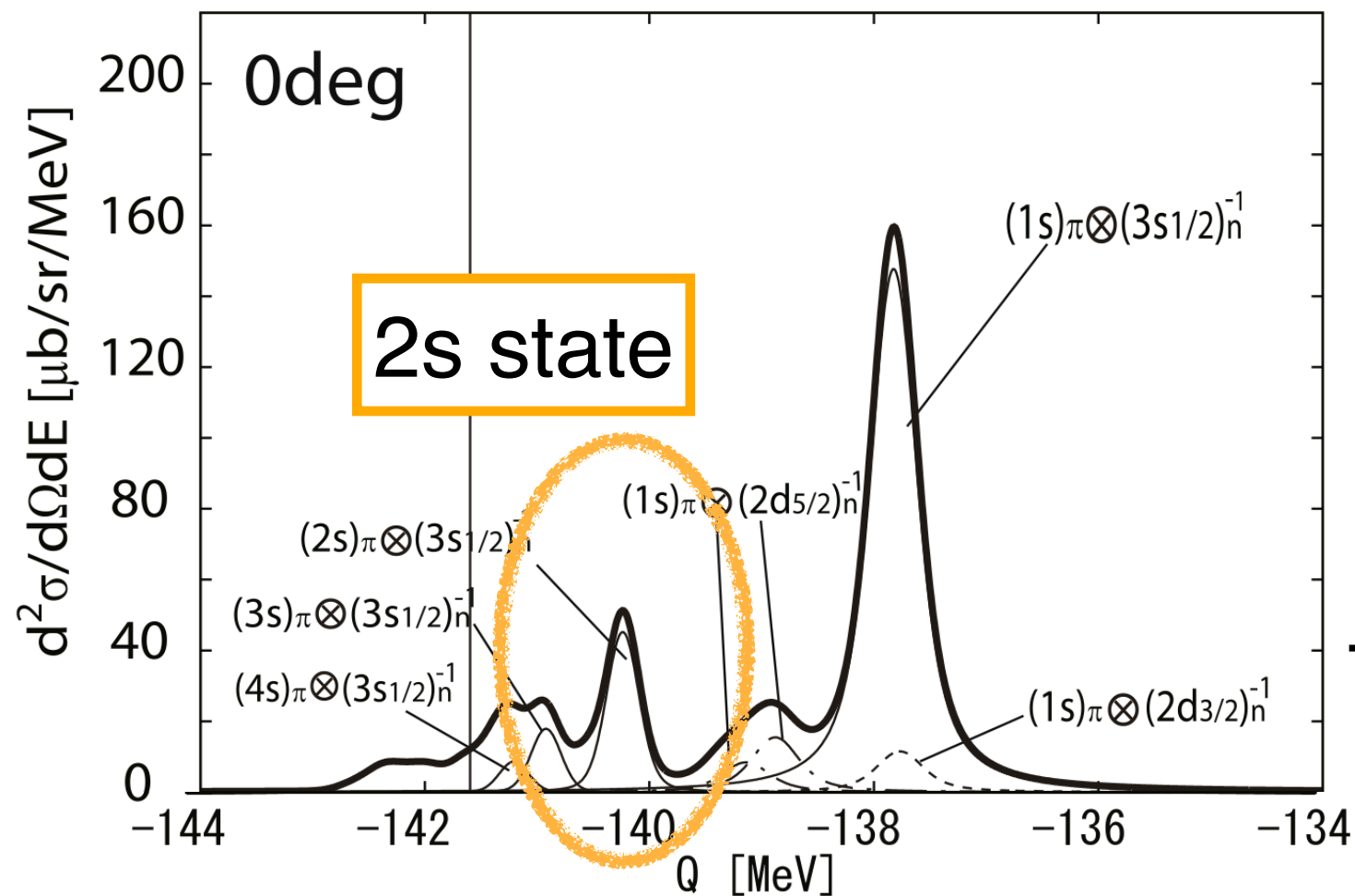


- large cross section
- Enhance $(1s)_{\pi^-} (3s)_{n-1}$ configuration

Experiment for precise / systematic study

Theoretical calculated Spectrum

$\Delta E = 300 \text{ keV}$



More statistics / resolution enable us to observe 2s state.



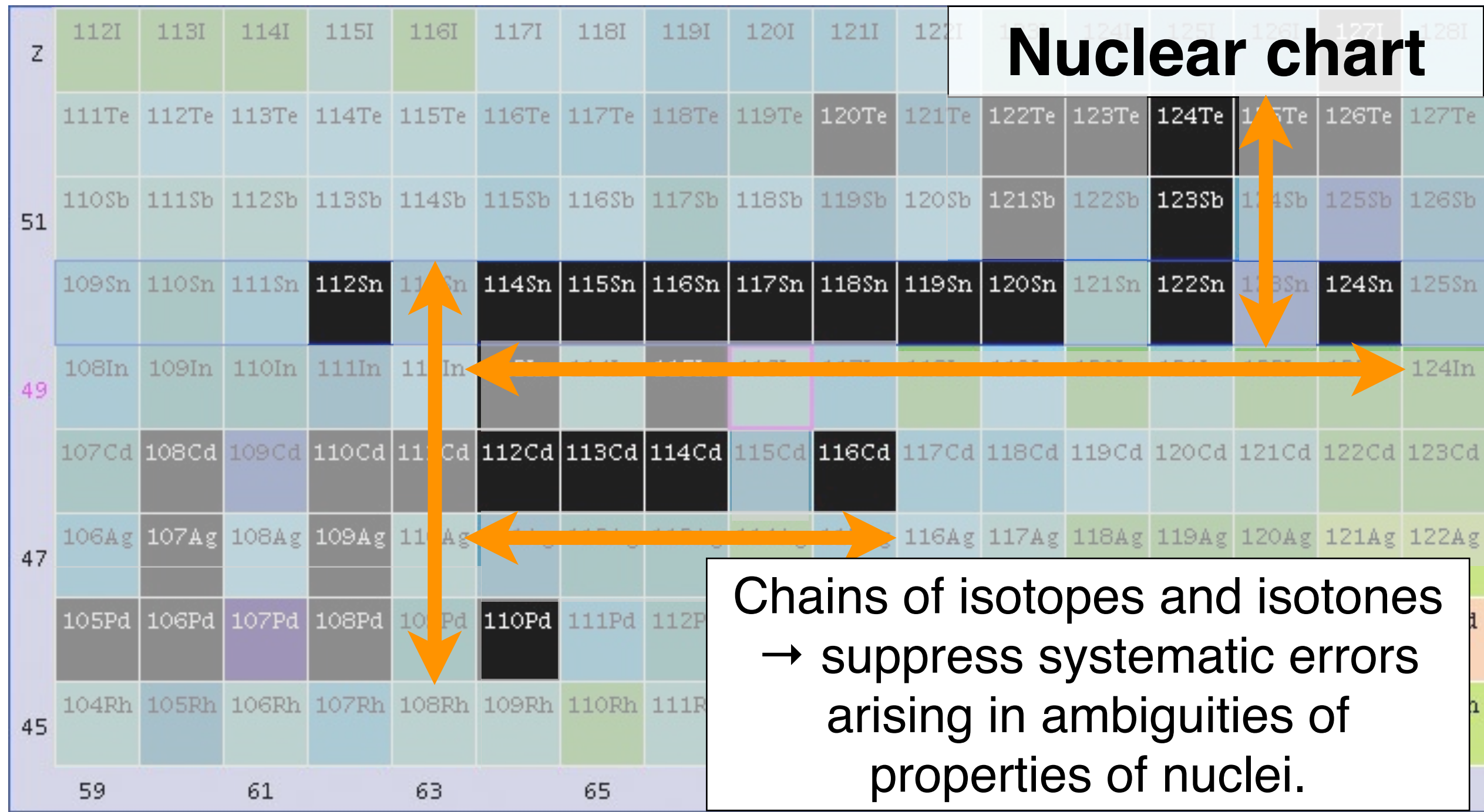
$BE_{1s} - BE_{2s} / \Gamma_{1s} - \Gamma_{2s}$
 These value are less affected from the systematic errors.

*N. Ikeno et al., Eur. Phys. J. A 47, 161 (2011)

cf. $\Delta E \sim 400 \text{ keV}$ in GSI experiment

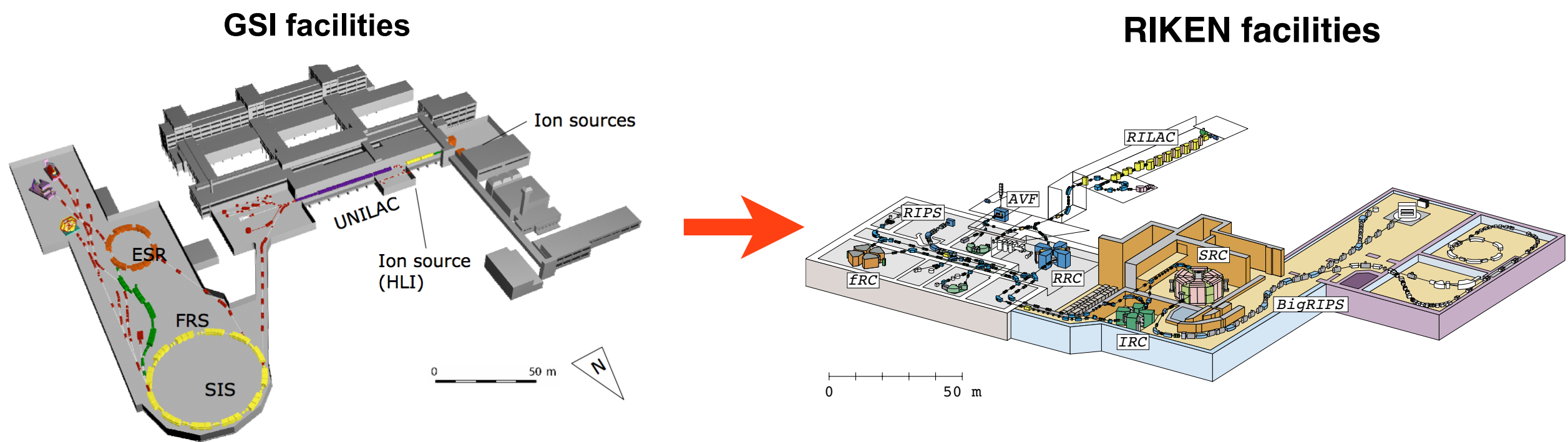
Experiment for precise / systematic study

systematic study of pionic nuclei in isotope / isotone chain



Chains of isotopes and isotones
→ suppress systematic errors arising in ambiguities of properties of nuclei.

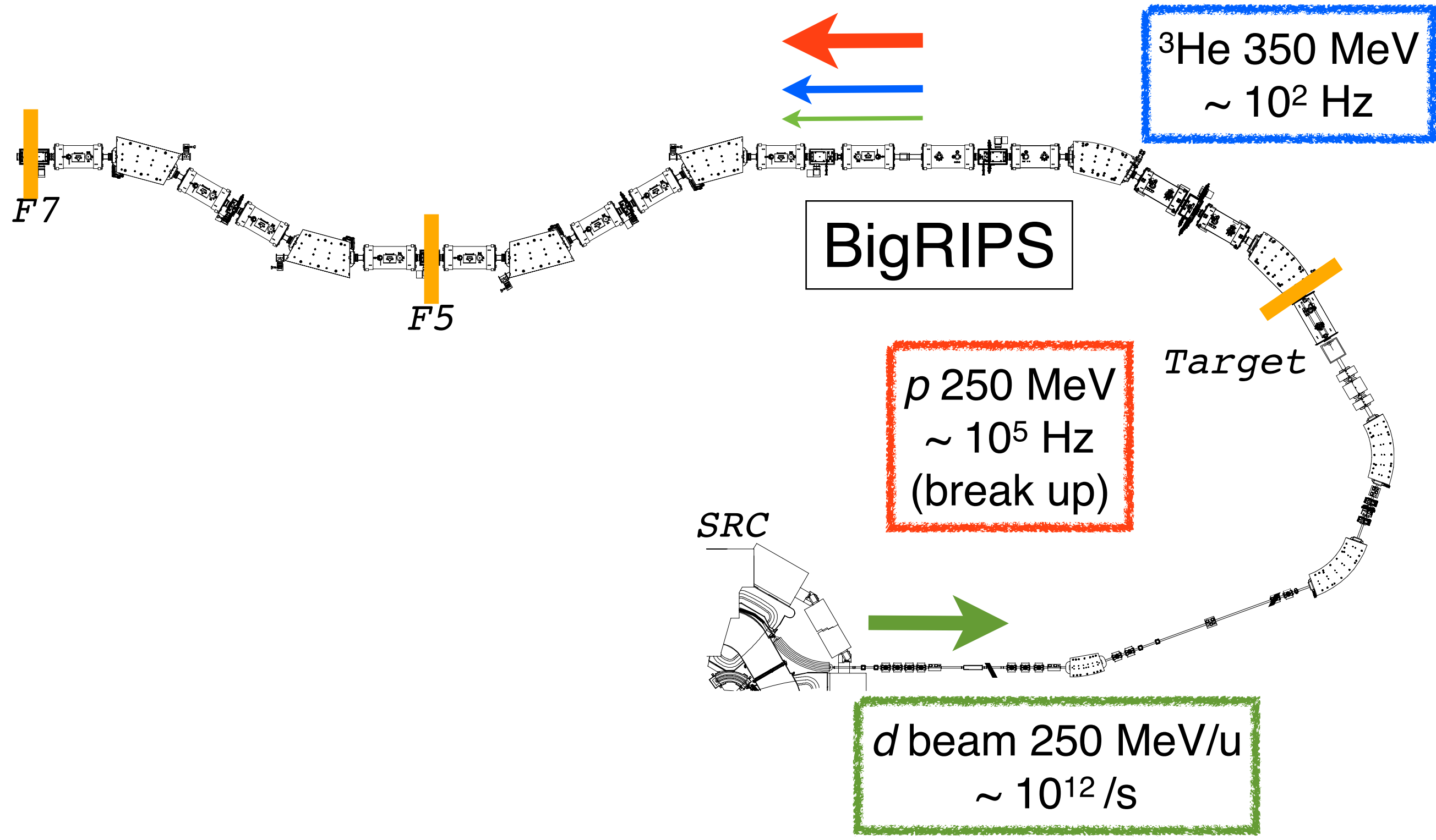
Experiment at RIKEN



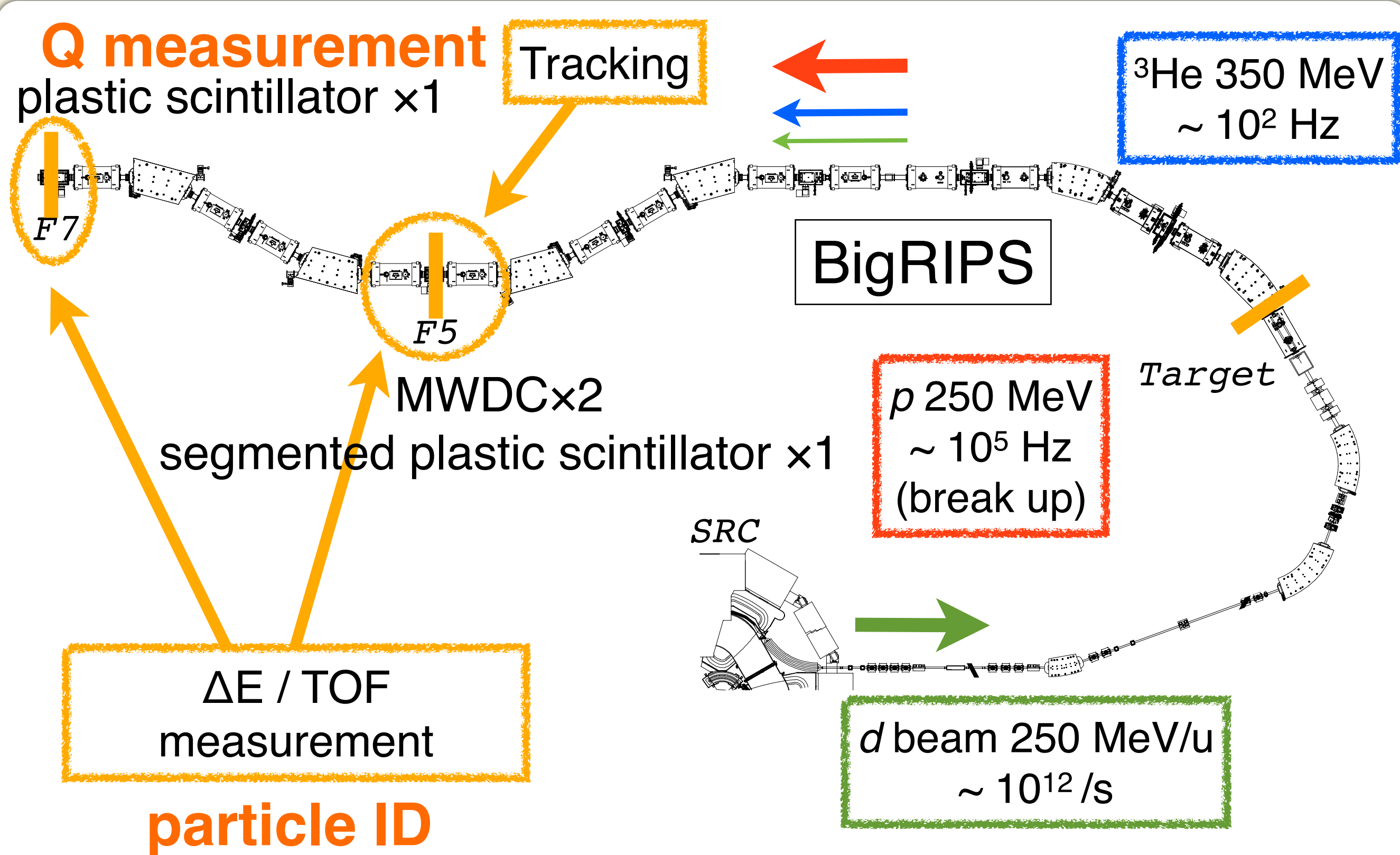
GSI RIBF

intensity	$\sim 10^{11}/\text{spill}$	$\sim 10^{12}/\text{s}$	x50
angular acceptance	~ 10 mrad	40 / 60 mrad	x20

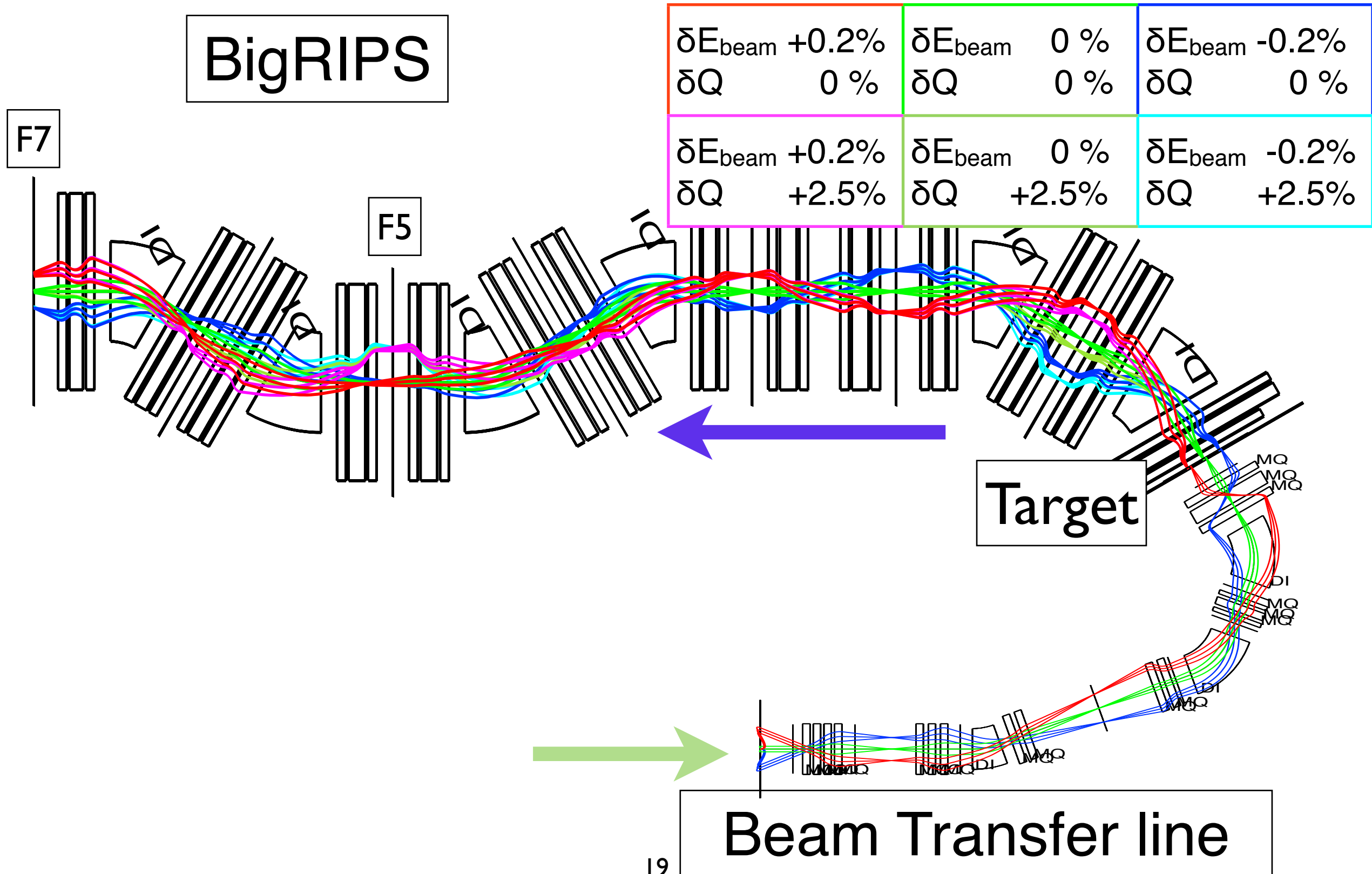
Experimental setup



Experimental setup



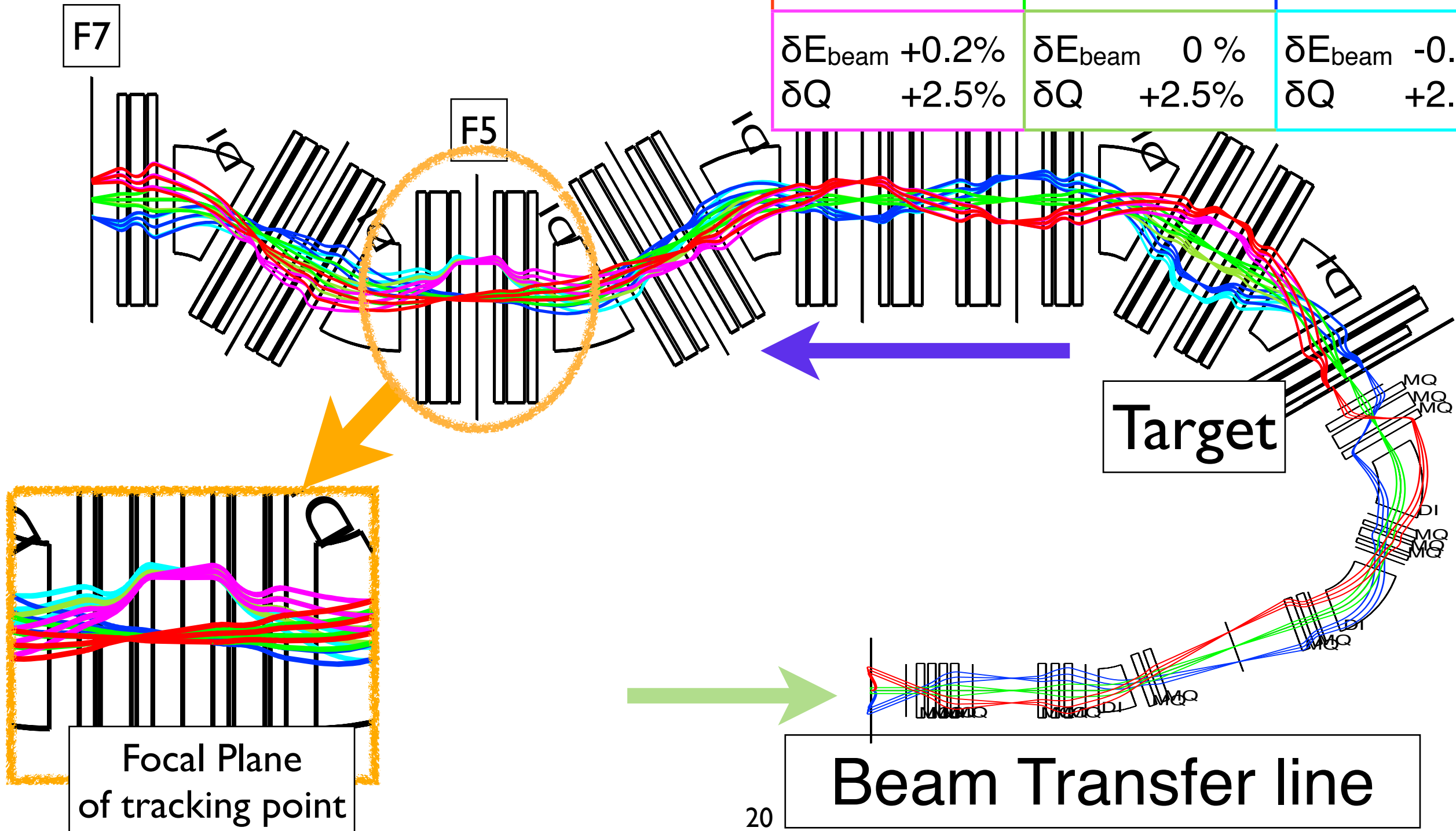
Ion optics (dispersion matching)



Ion optics (dispersion matching)

BigRIPS

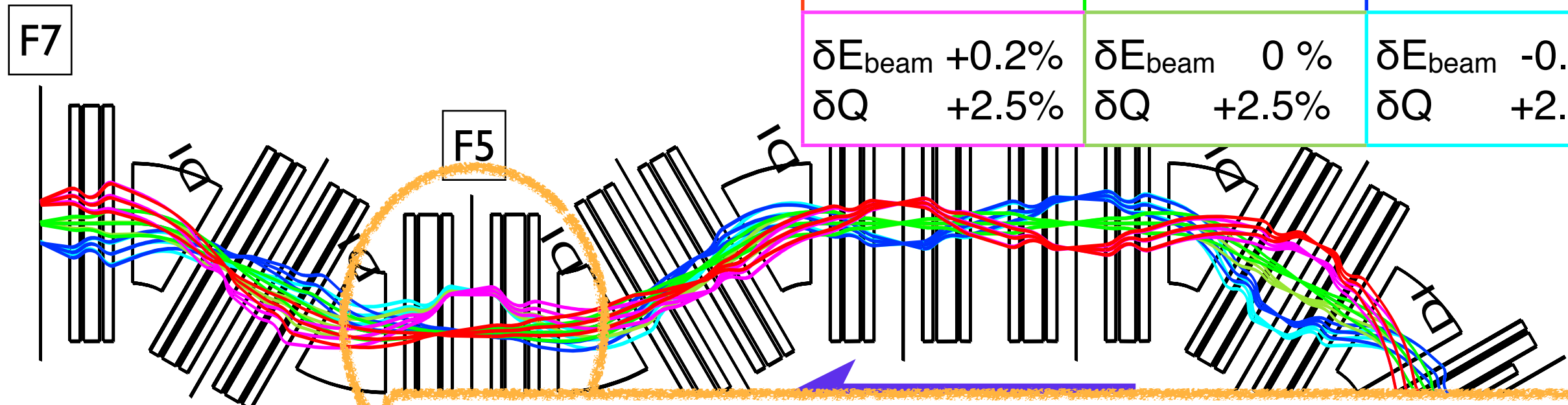
δE_{beam} +0.2%	δE_{beam} 0 %	δE_{beam} -0.2%
δQ 0 %	δQ 0 %	δQ 0 %
δE_{beam} +0.2%	δE_{beam} 0 %	δE_{beam} -0.2%
δQ +2.5%	δQ +2.5%	δQ +2.5%



Ion optics (dispersion matching)

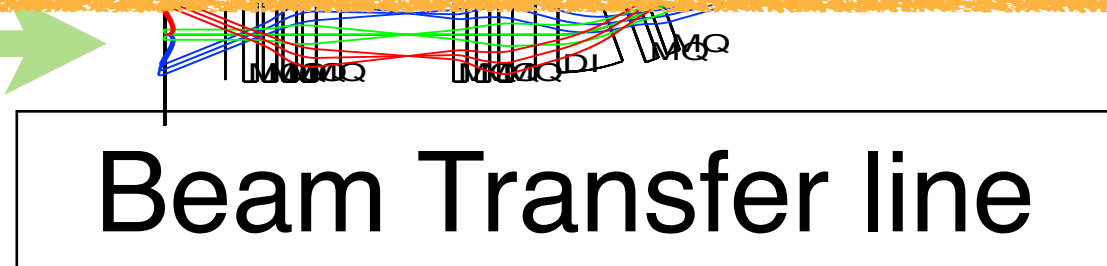
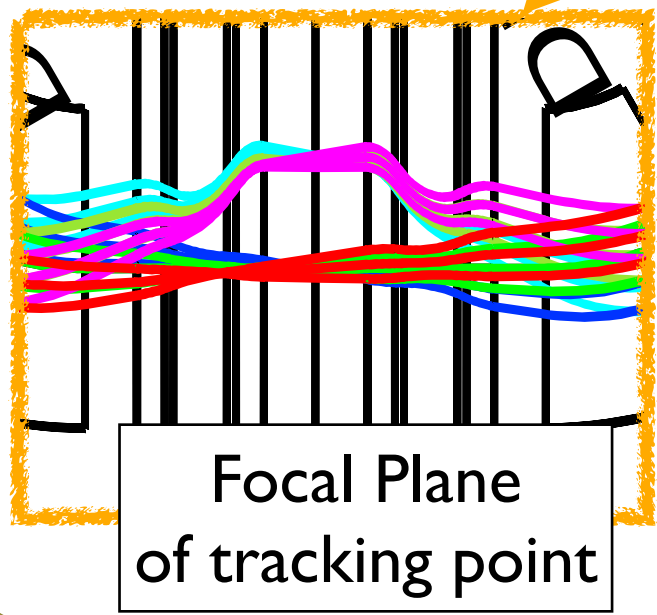
BigRIPS

$\delta E_{\text{beam}} +0.2\%$ $\delta Q \quad 0\%$	$\delta E_{\text{beam}} \quad 0\%$ $\delta Q \quad 0\%$	$\delta E_{\text{beam}} -0.2\%$ $\delta Q \quad 0\%$
$\delta E_{\text{beam}} +0.2\%$ $\delta Q \quad +2.5\%$	$\delta E_{\text{beam}} \quad 0\%$ $\delta Q \quad +2.5\%$	$\delta E_{\text{beam}} -0.2\%$ $\delta Q \quad +2.5\%$



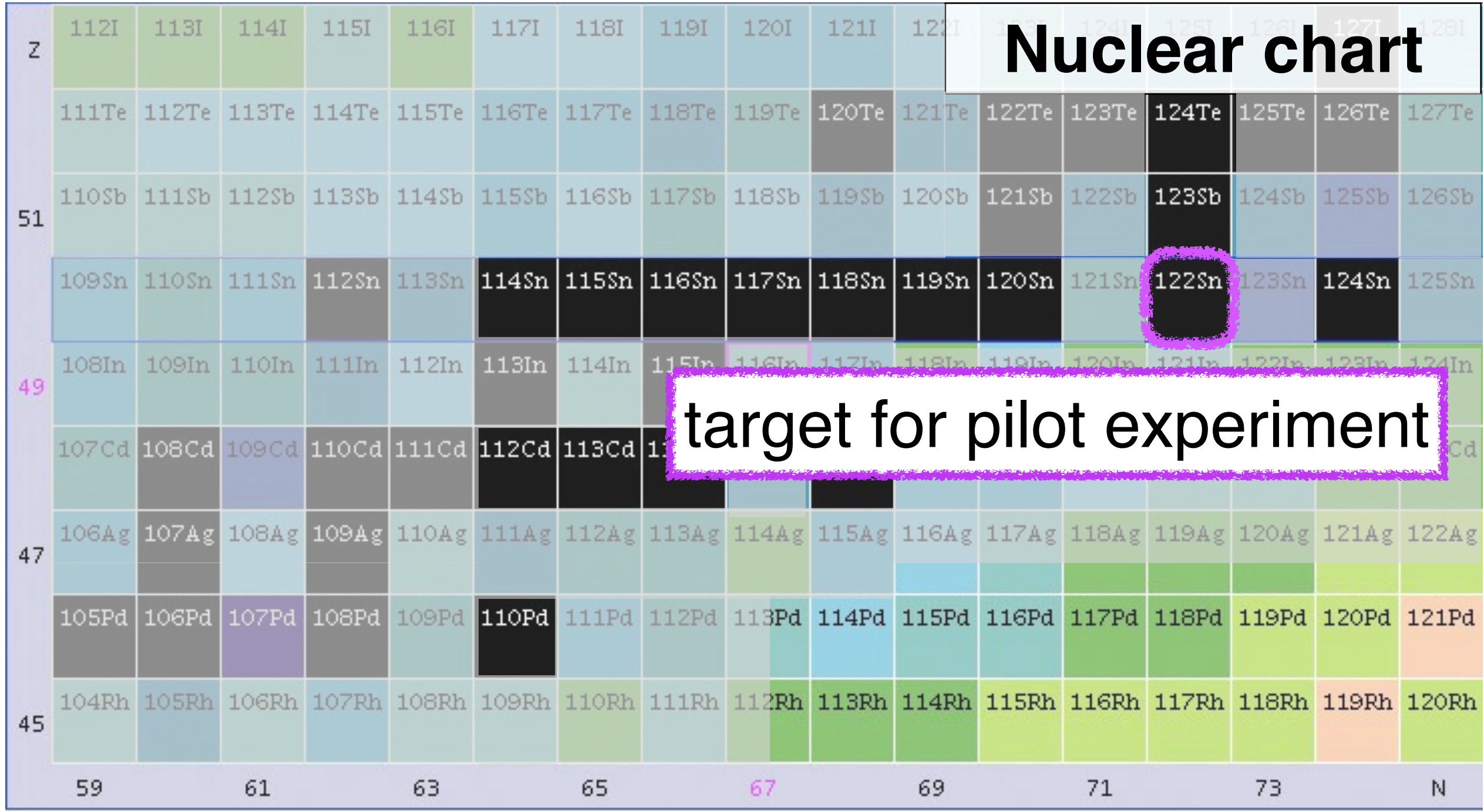
realize high precision spectroscopy

- independent on beam Energy spread
→ *dispersion matching*
- depend on Q value ($\delta p/p = 1\% \Leftrightarrow 62 \text{ mm}$)



Pilot experiment

pilot experiment; performed in 2010



Pilot experiment

pilot experiment; performed in 2010



Target ; ^{122}Sn

Purpose ; test for

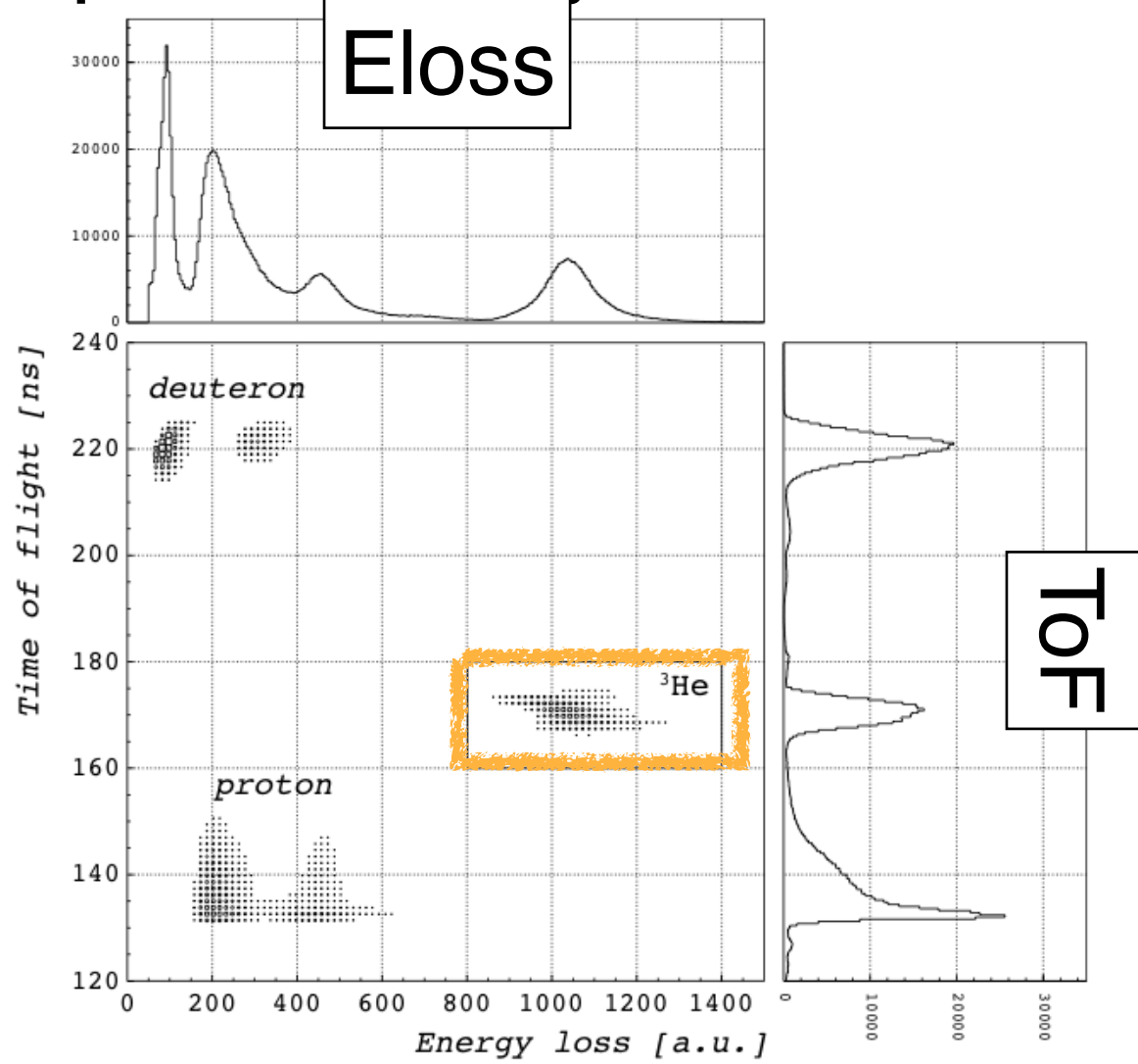
- **all detector system**
- **ion optics**

Pilot experiment

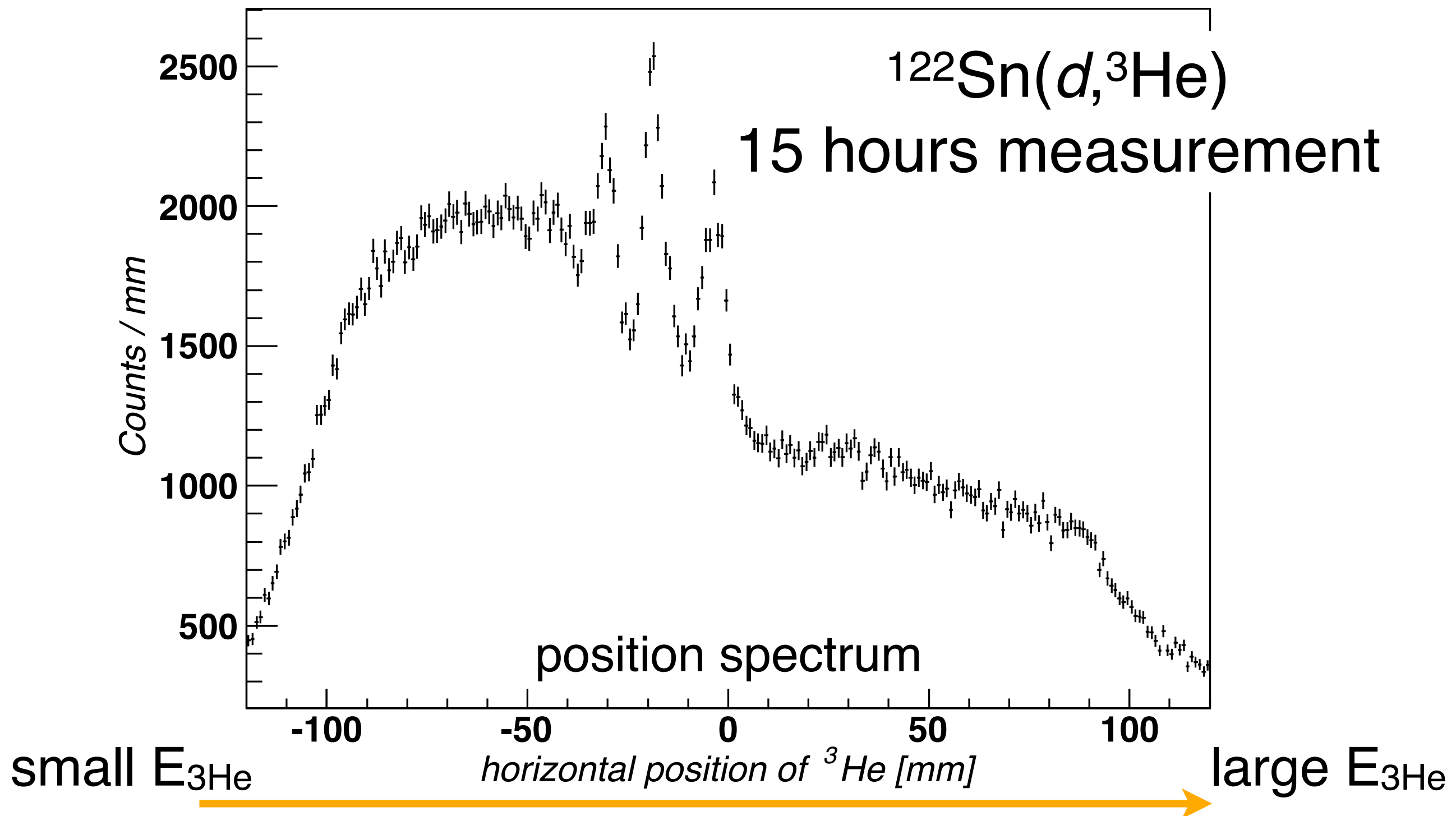
pilot experiment; performed in 2010



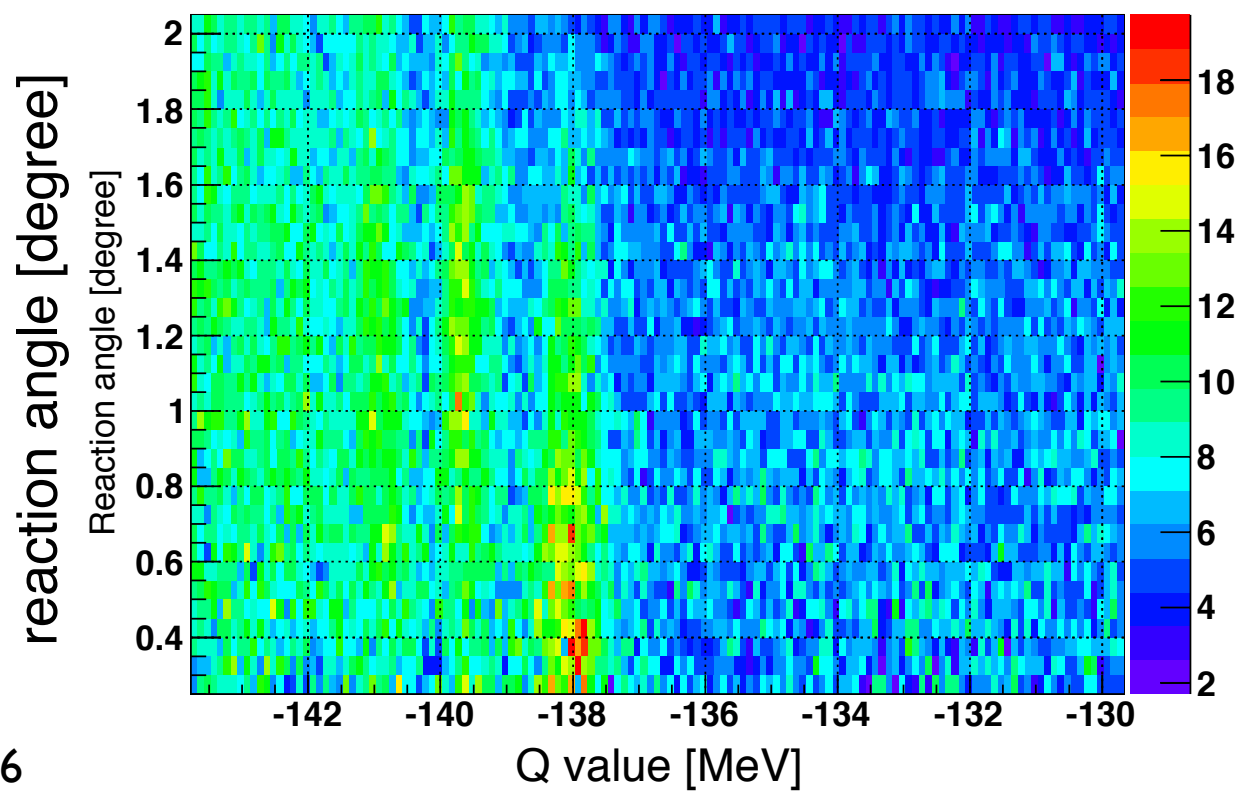
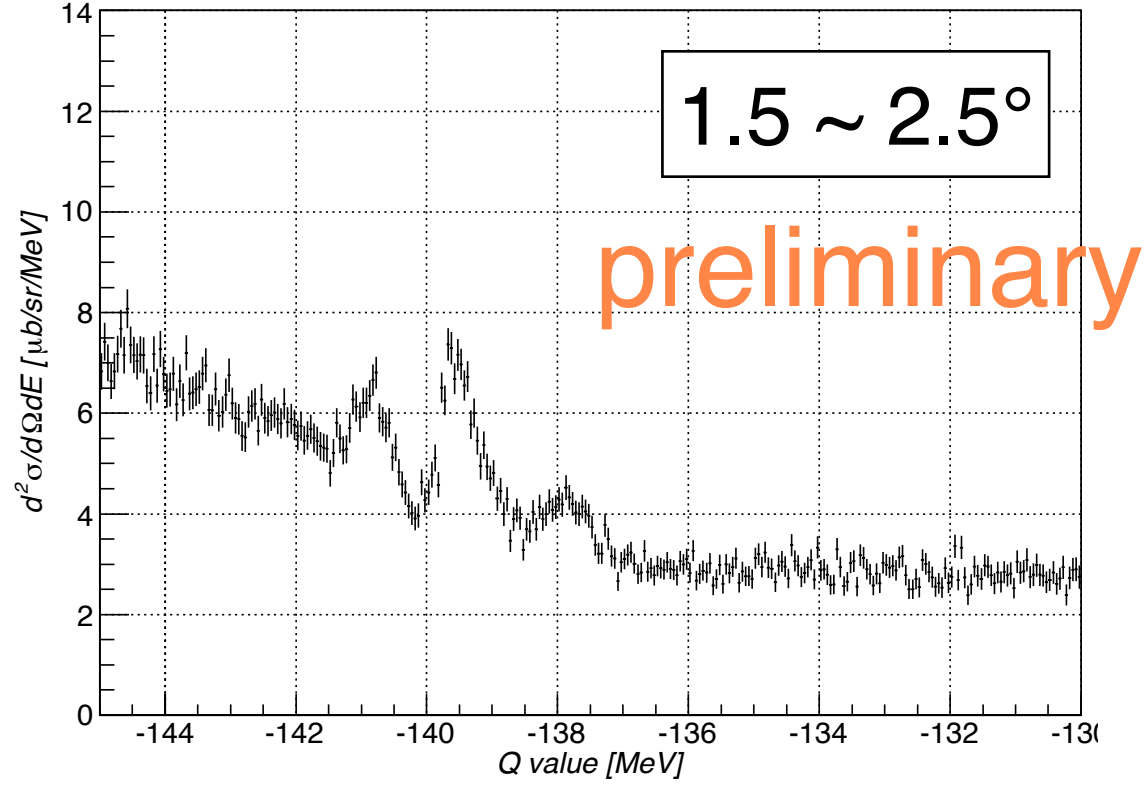
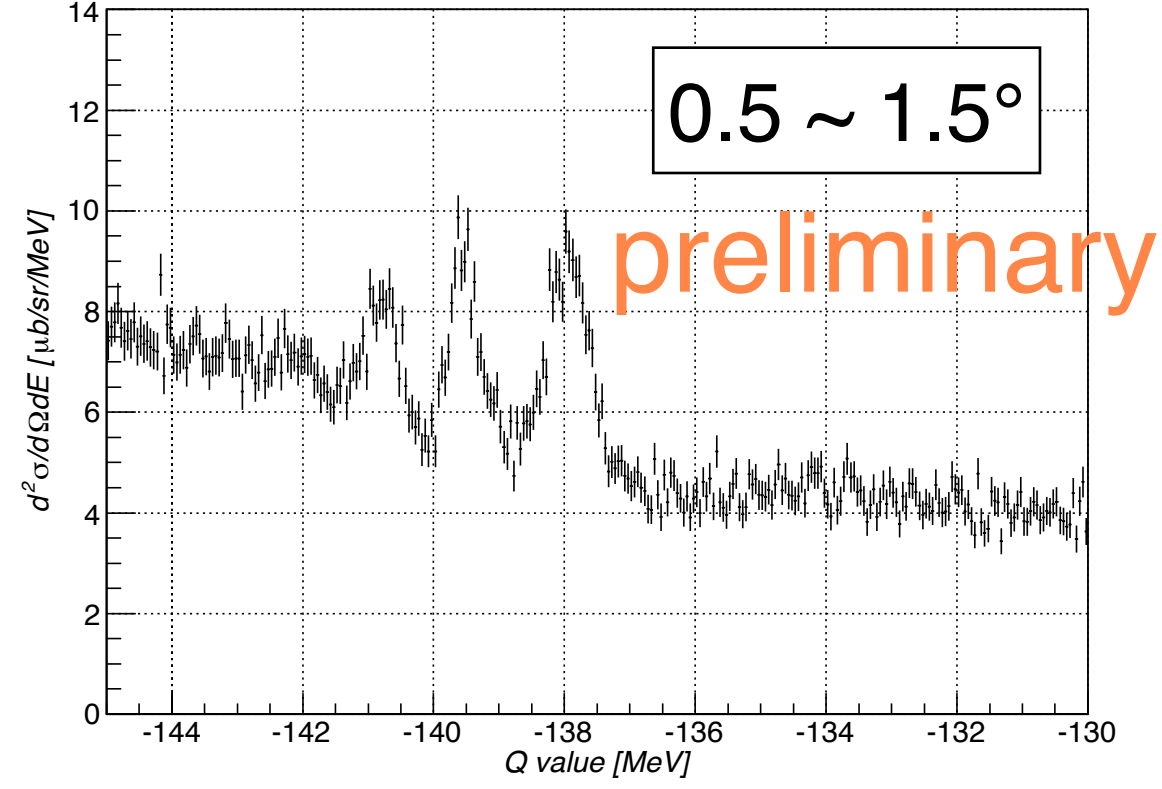
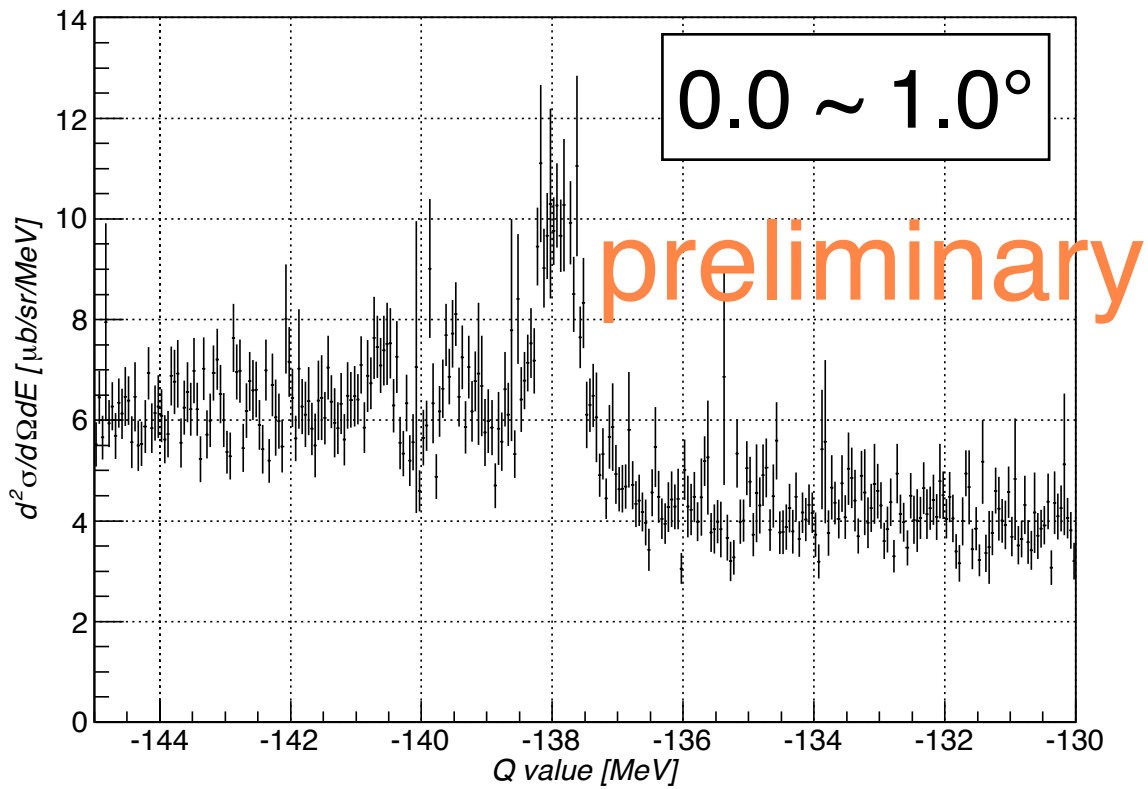
particle ID by Scintillators



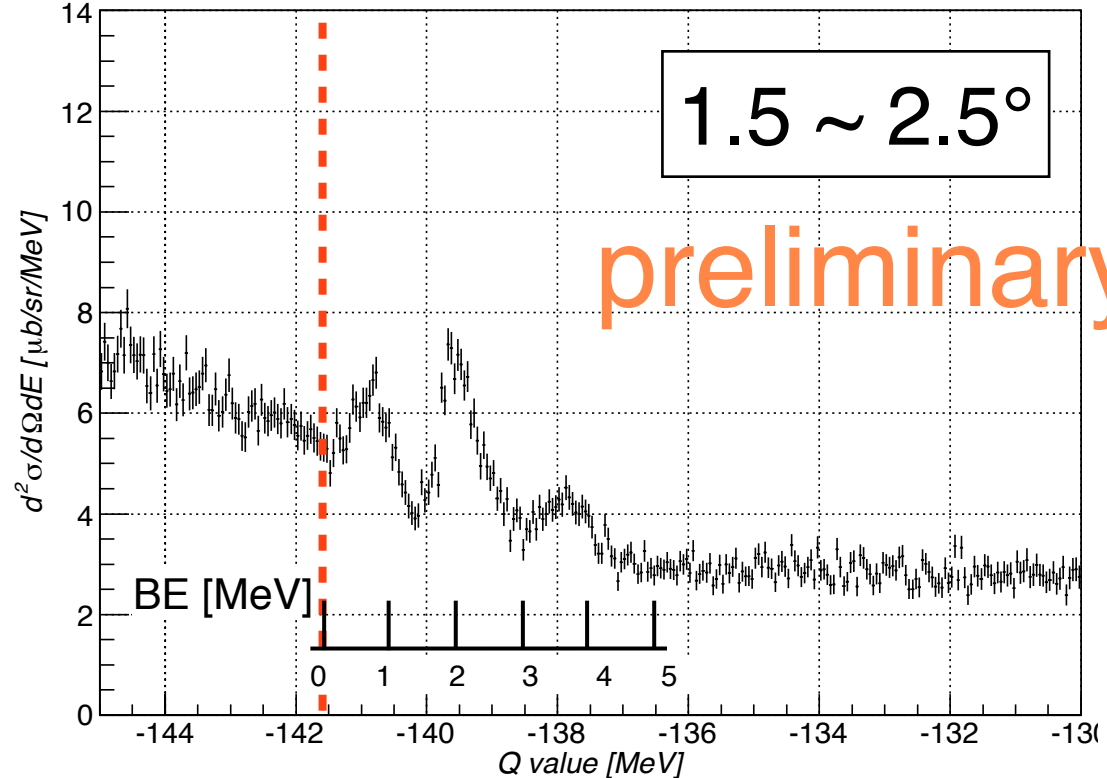
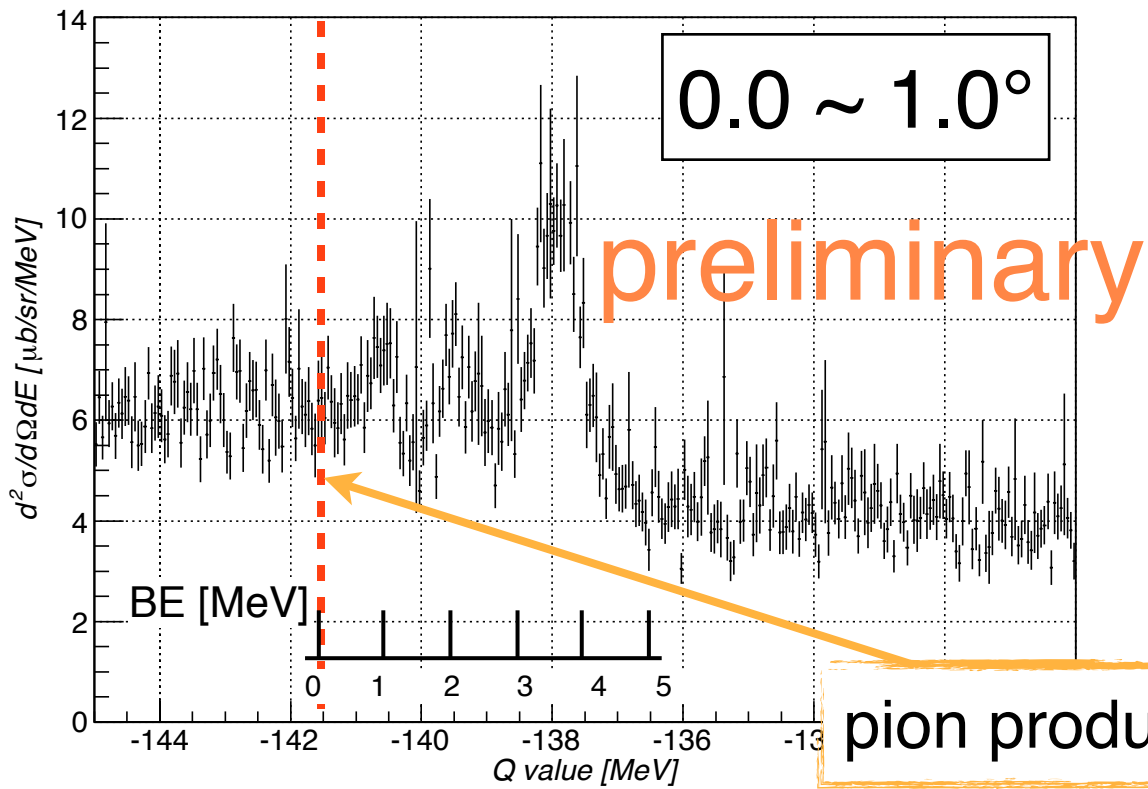
Pilot experiment



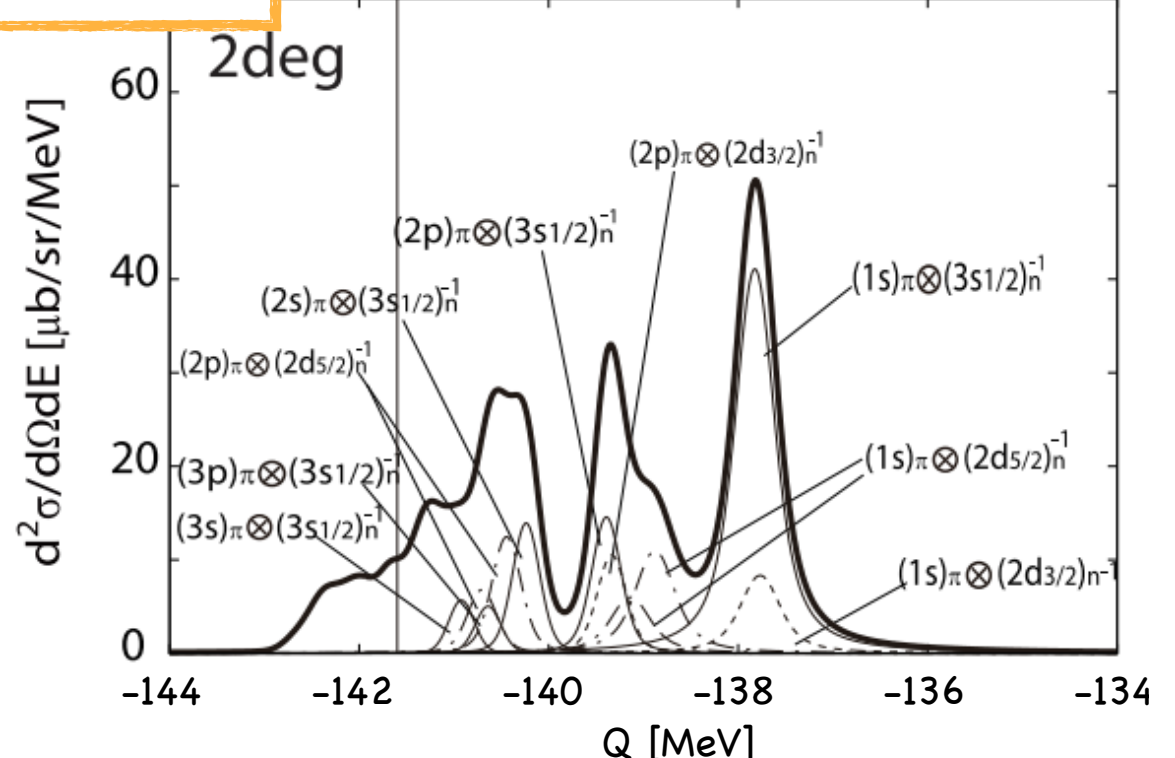
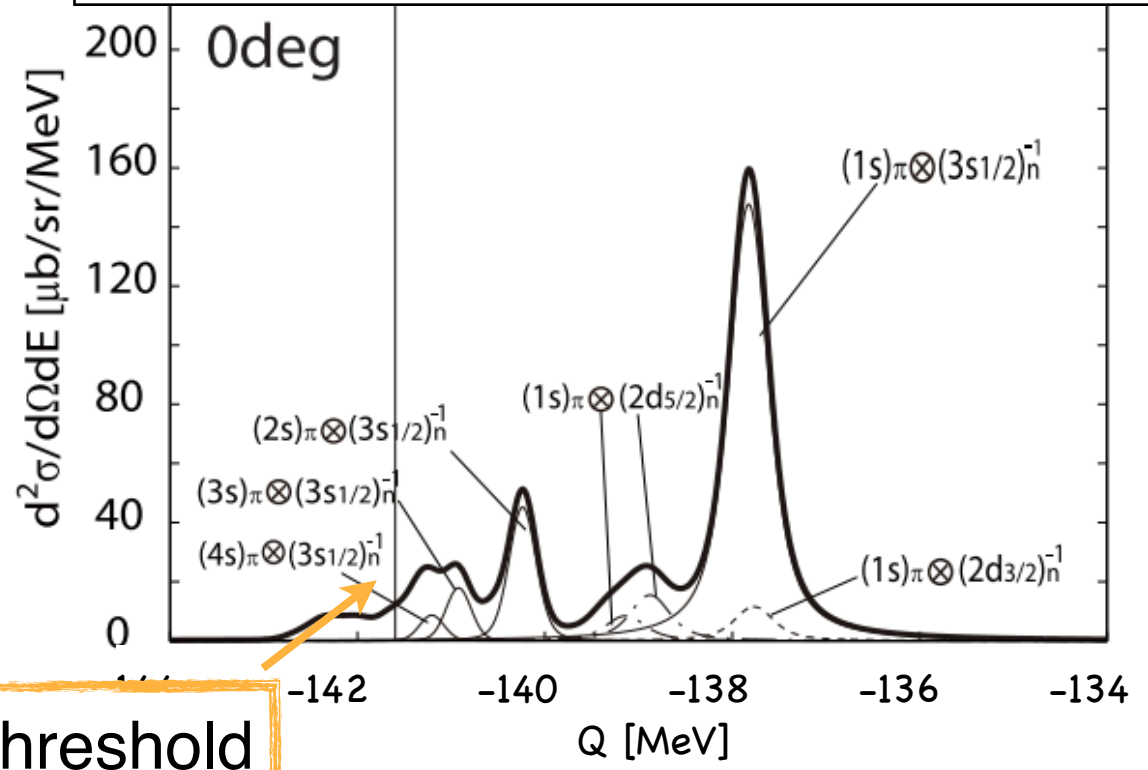
Experimental Q-value spectra



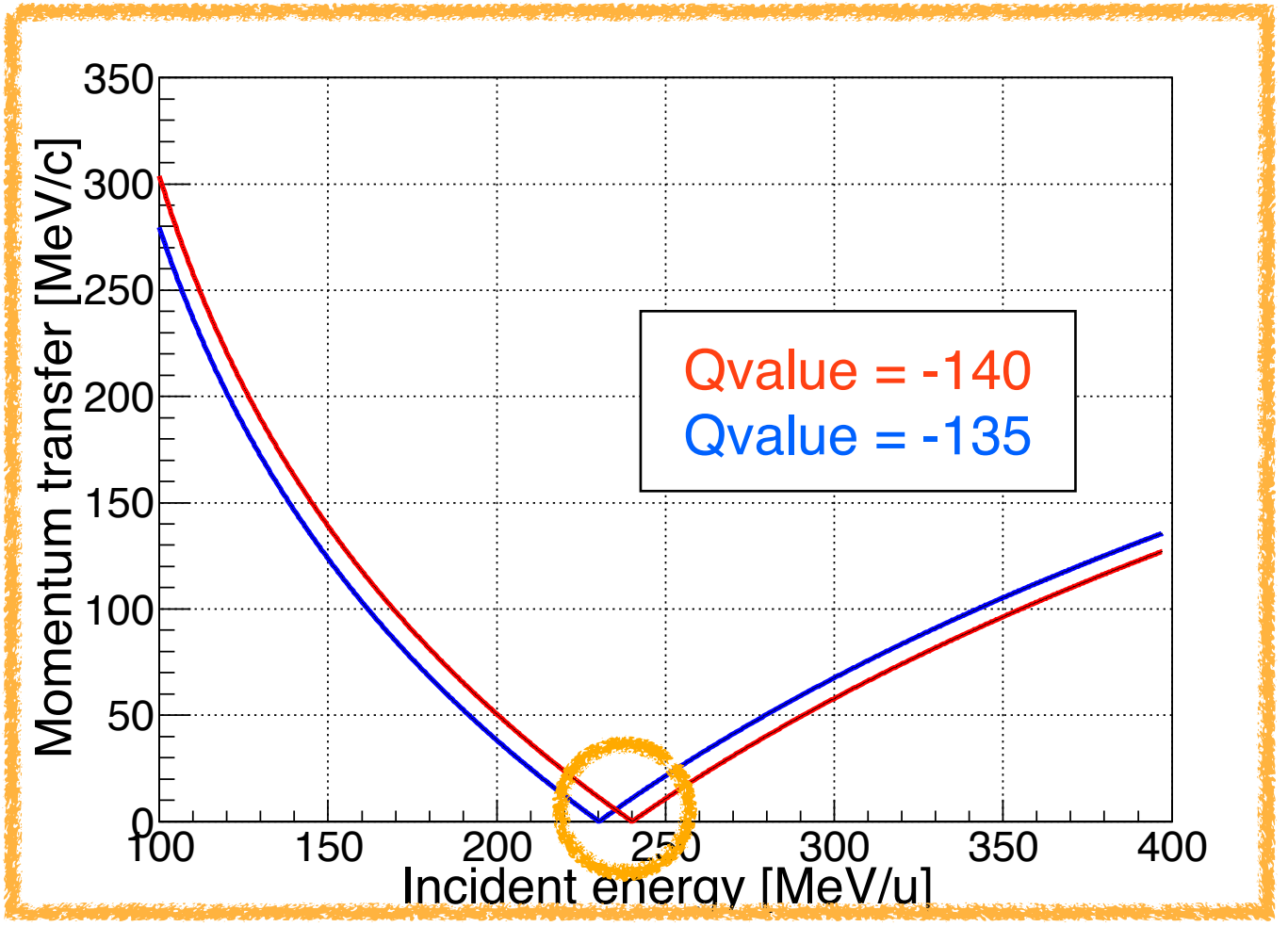
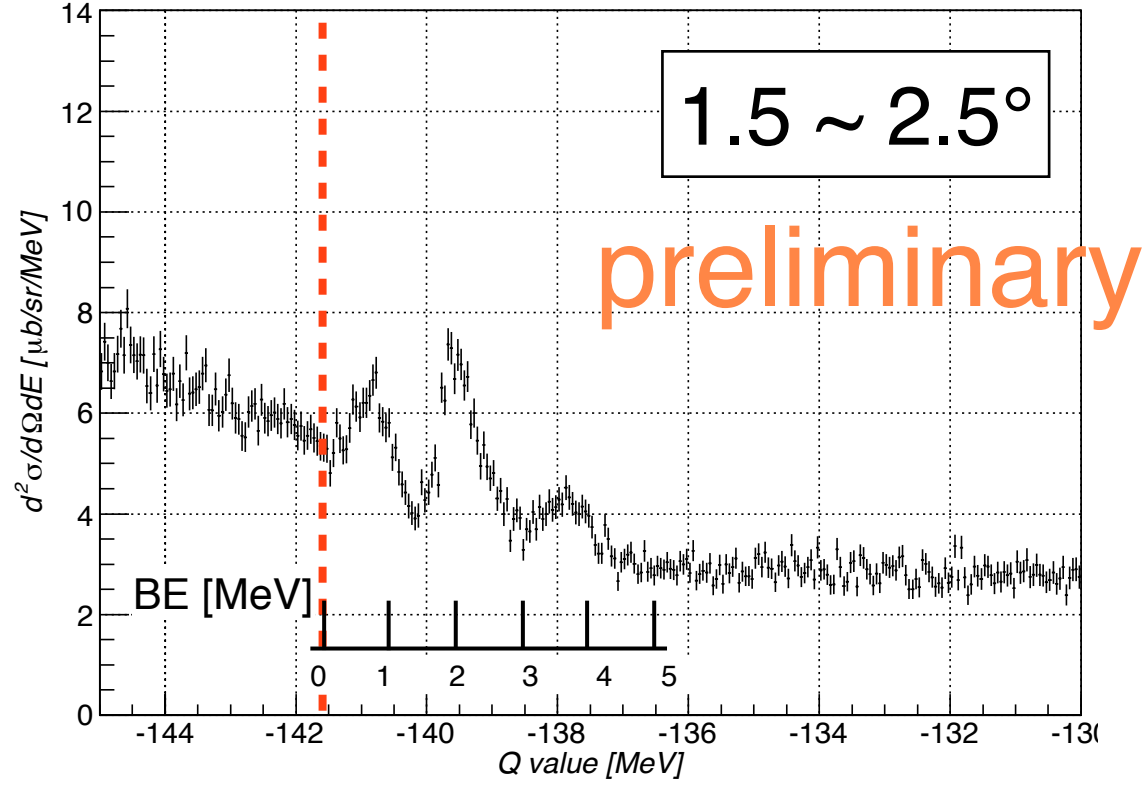
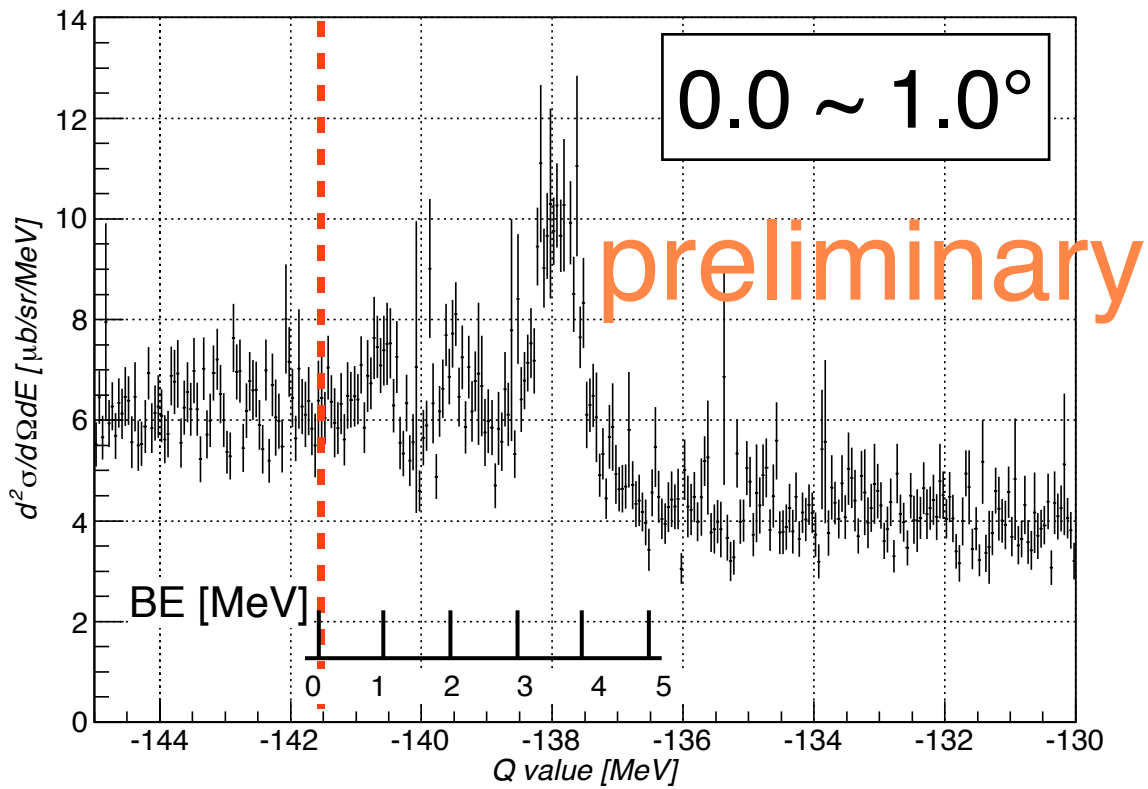
Experimental Q-value spectra



Theoretical spectrum ($\Delta E = 300$ keV)

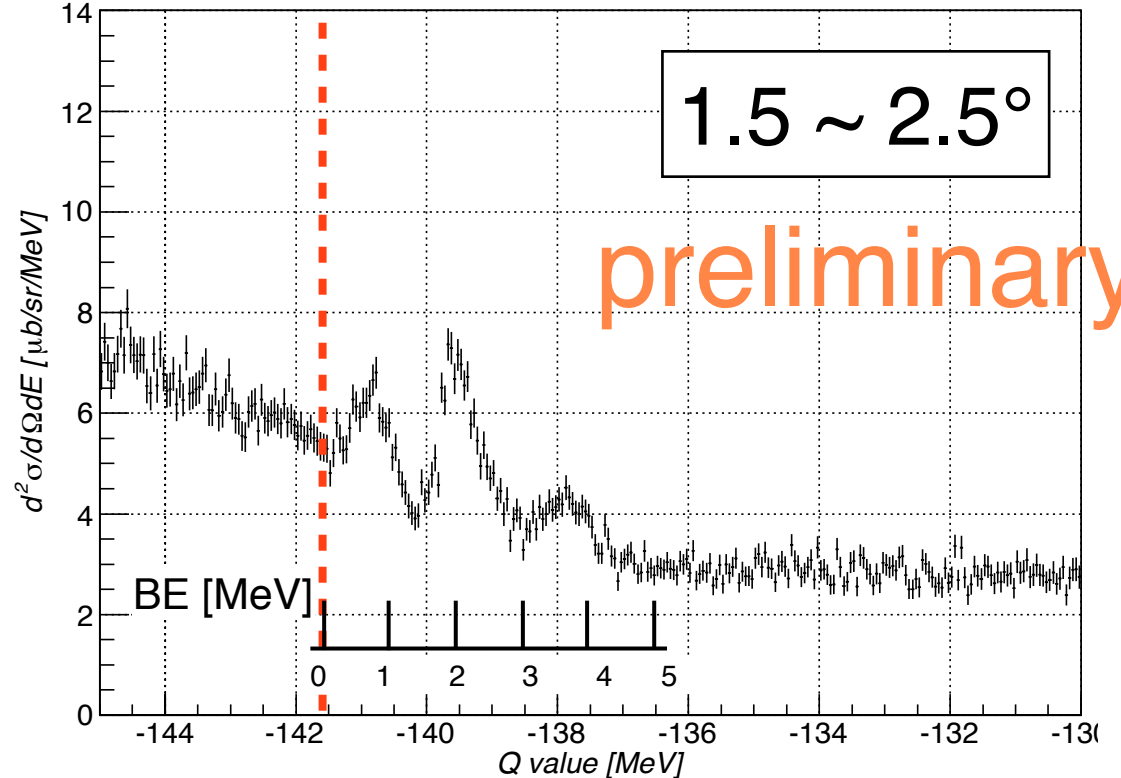
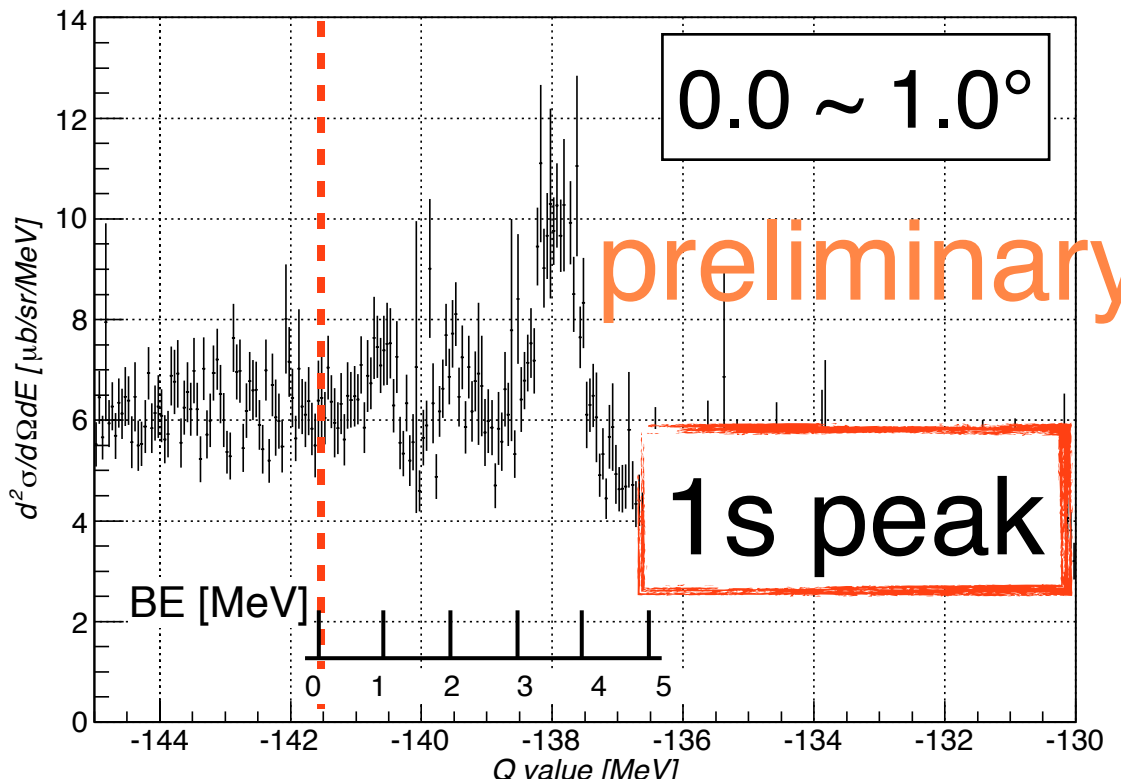


Experimental Q-value spectra

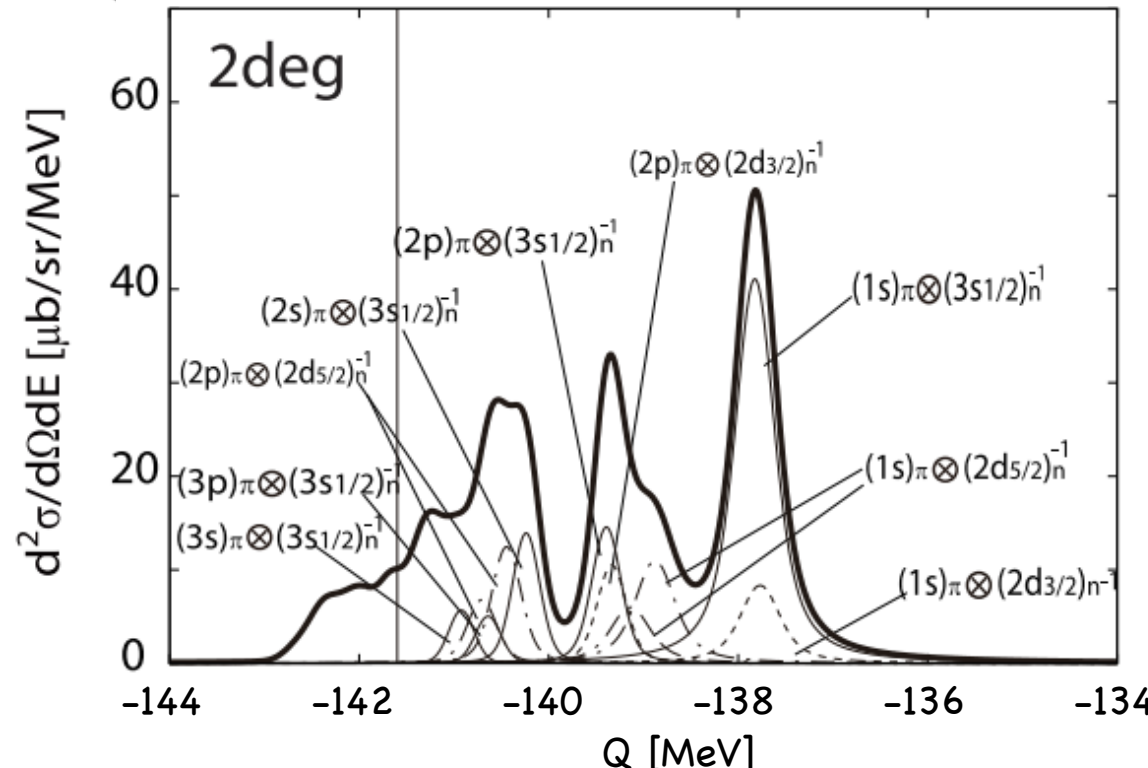
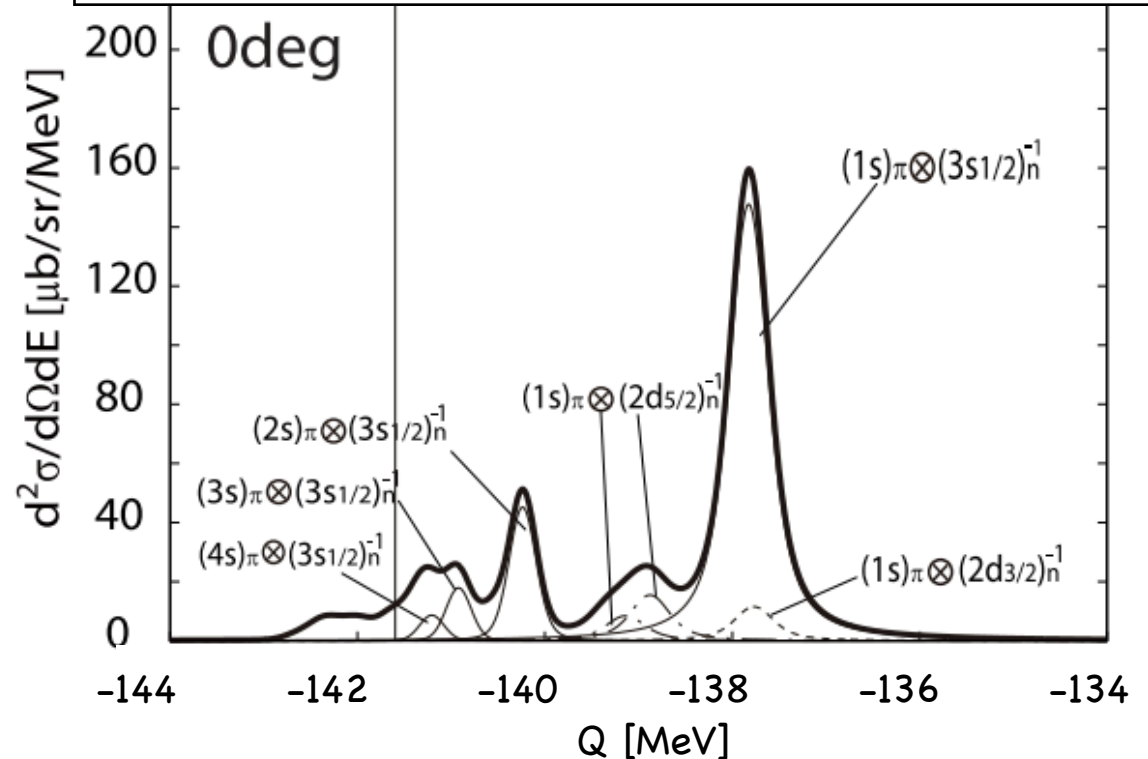


- finite angle
- recoilless condition is broken
- configuration with finite Δl grow up

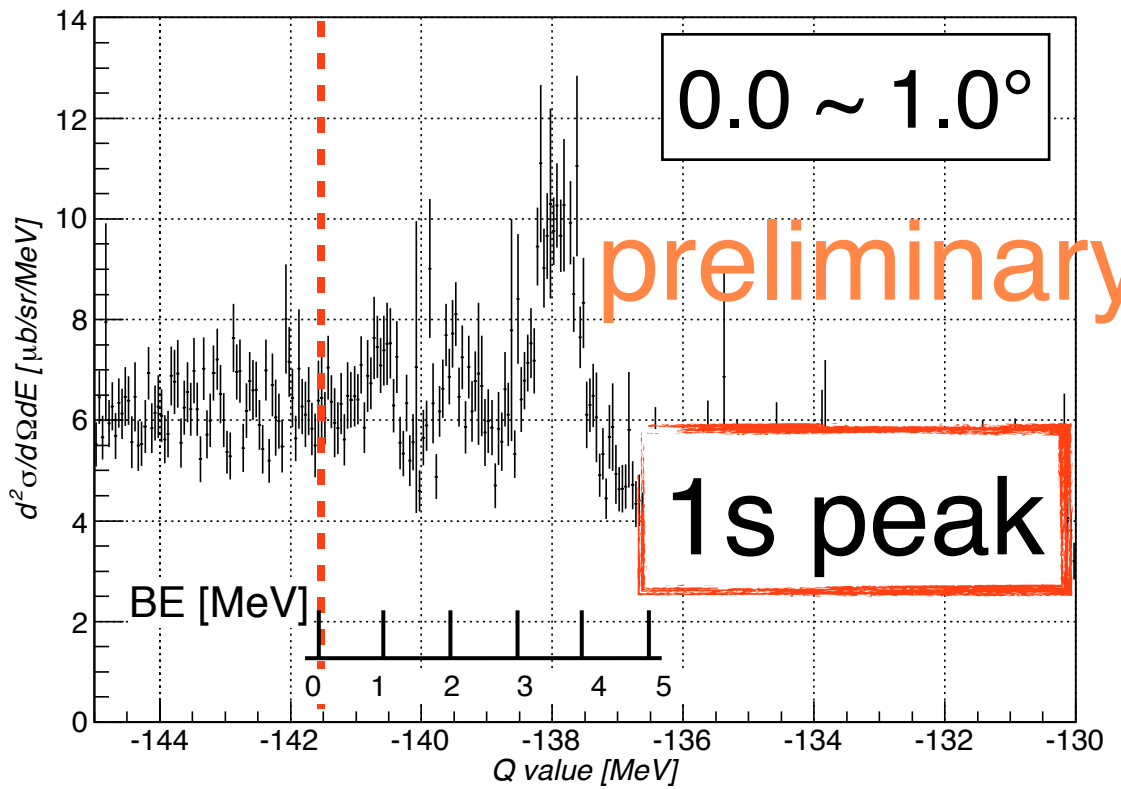
Experimental Q-value spectra



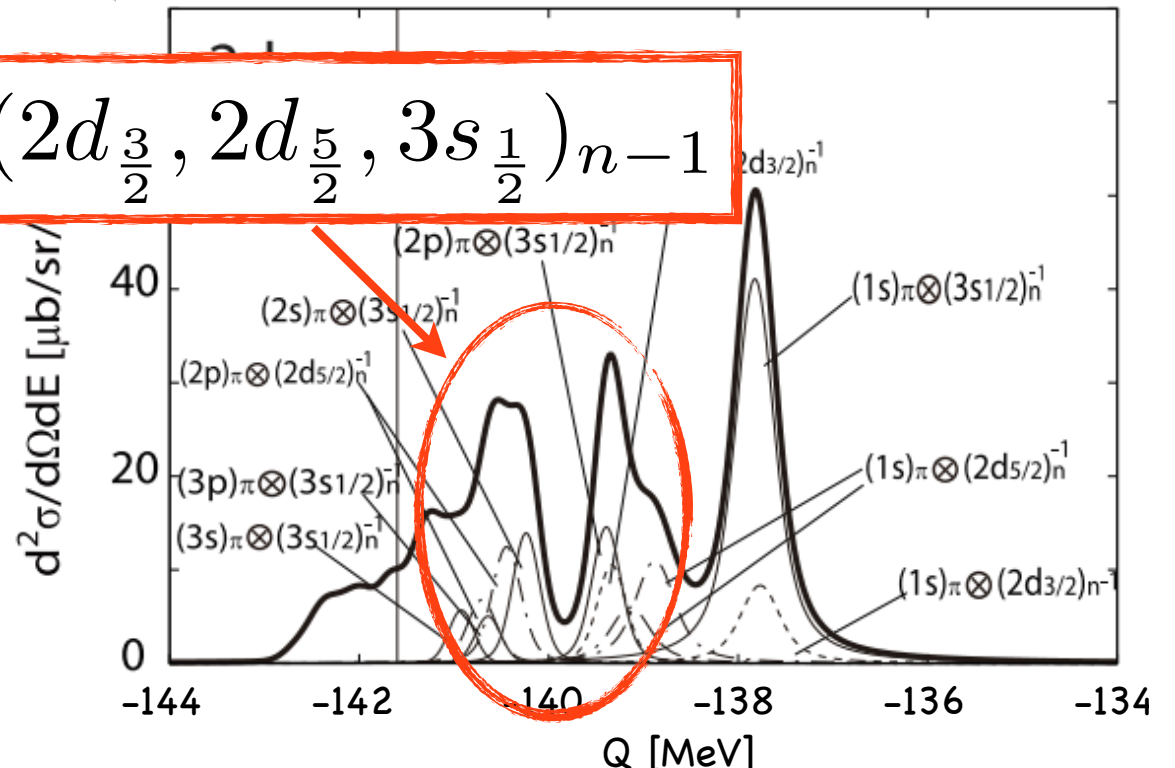
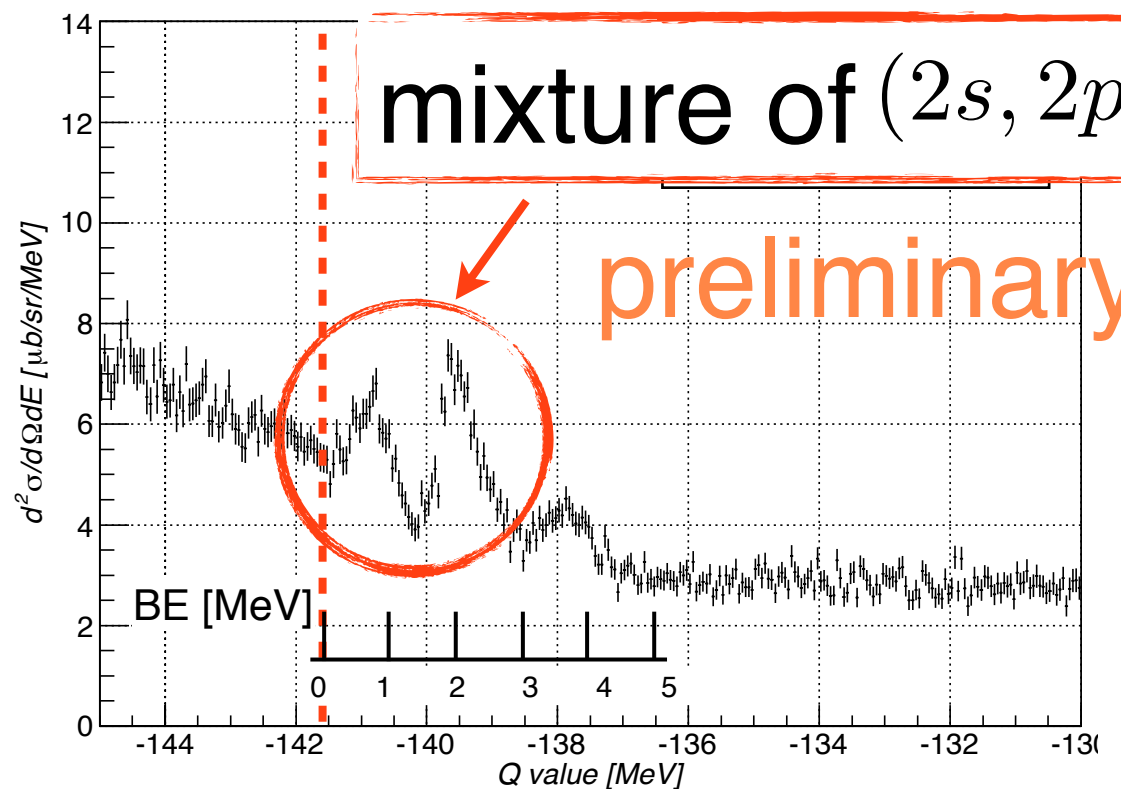
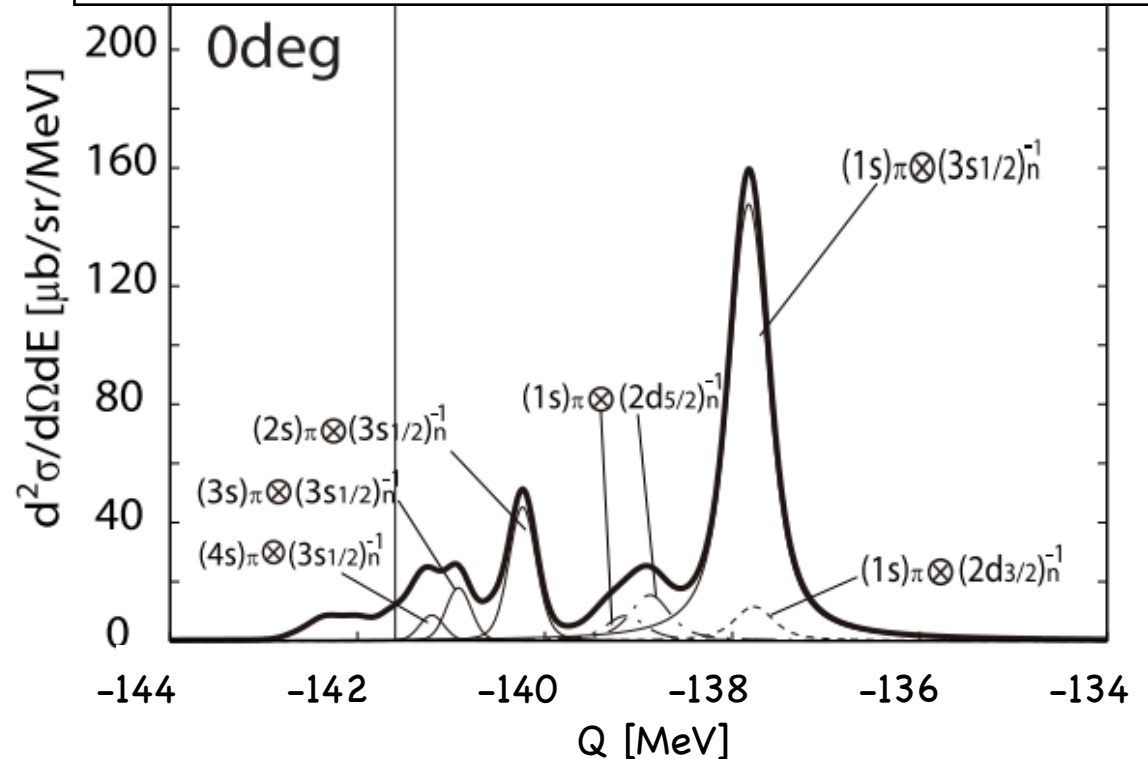
Theoretical spectrum ($\Delta E = 300$ keV)



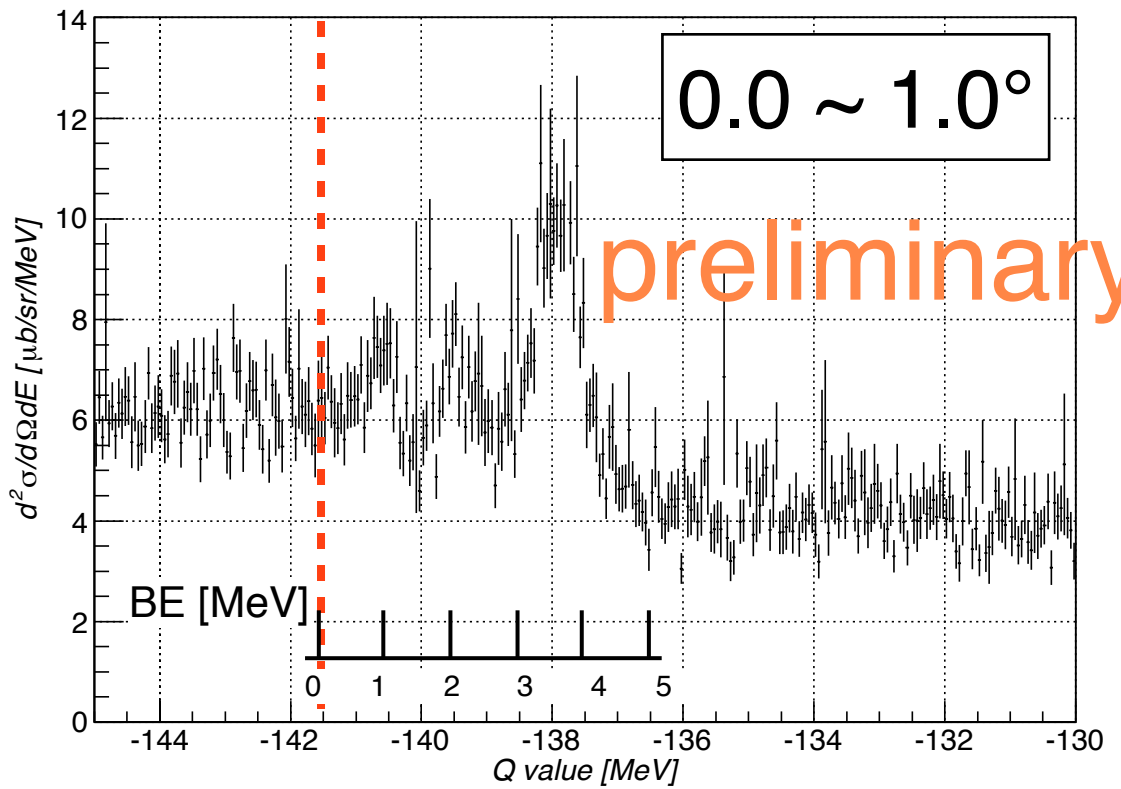
Experimental Q-value spectra



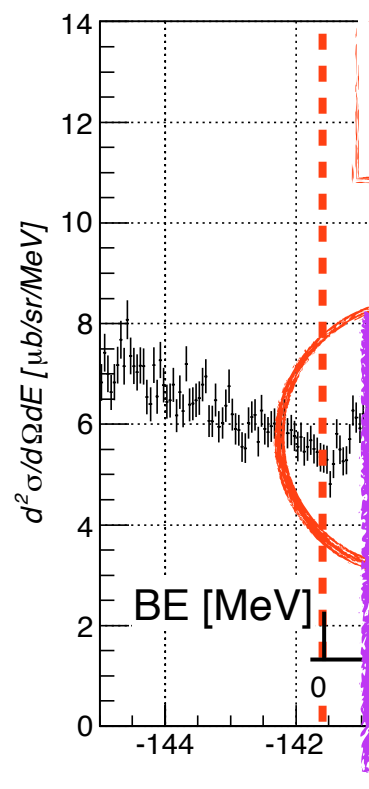
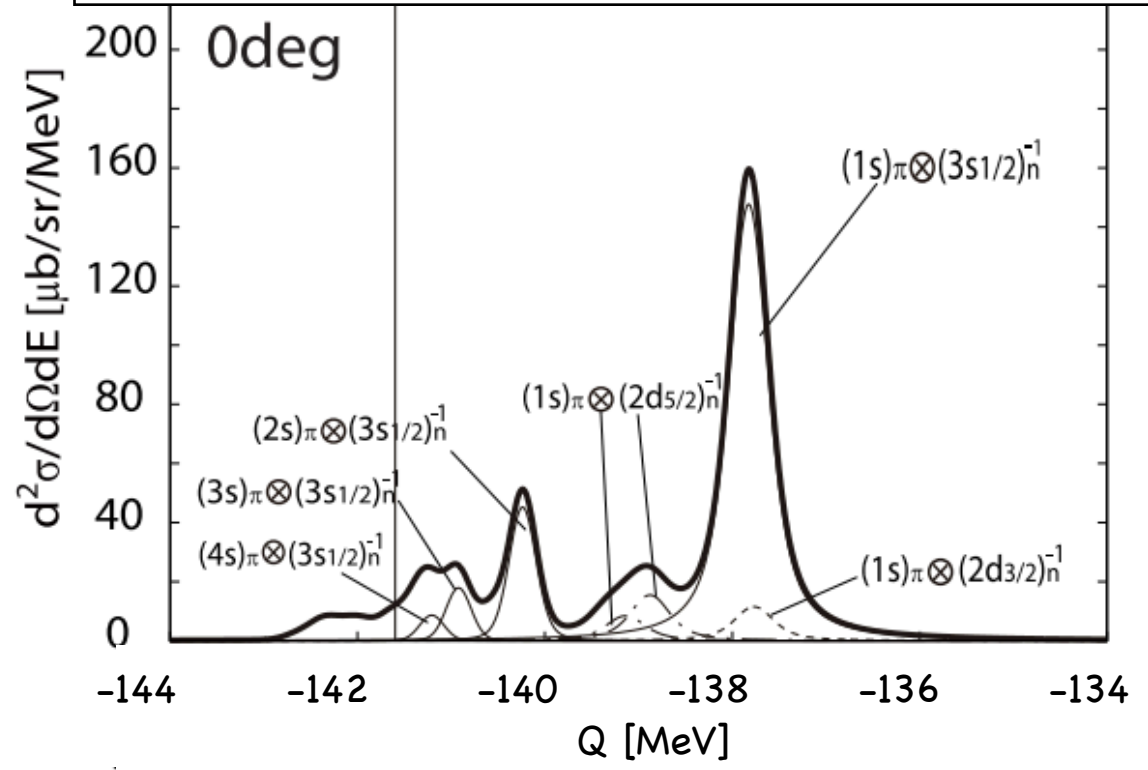
Theoretical spectrum ($\Delta E = 300$ keV)



Experimental Q-value spectra



Theoretical spectrum ($\Delta E = 300$ keV)



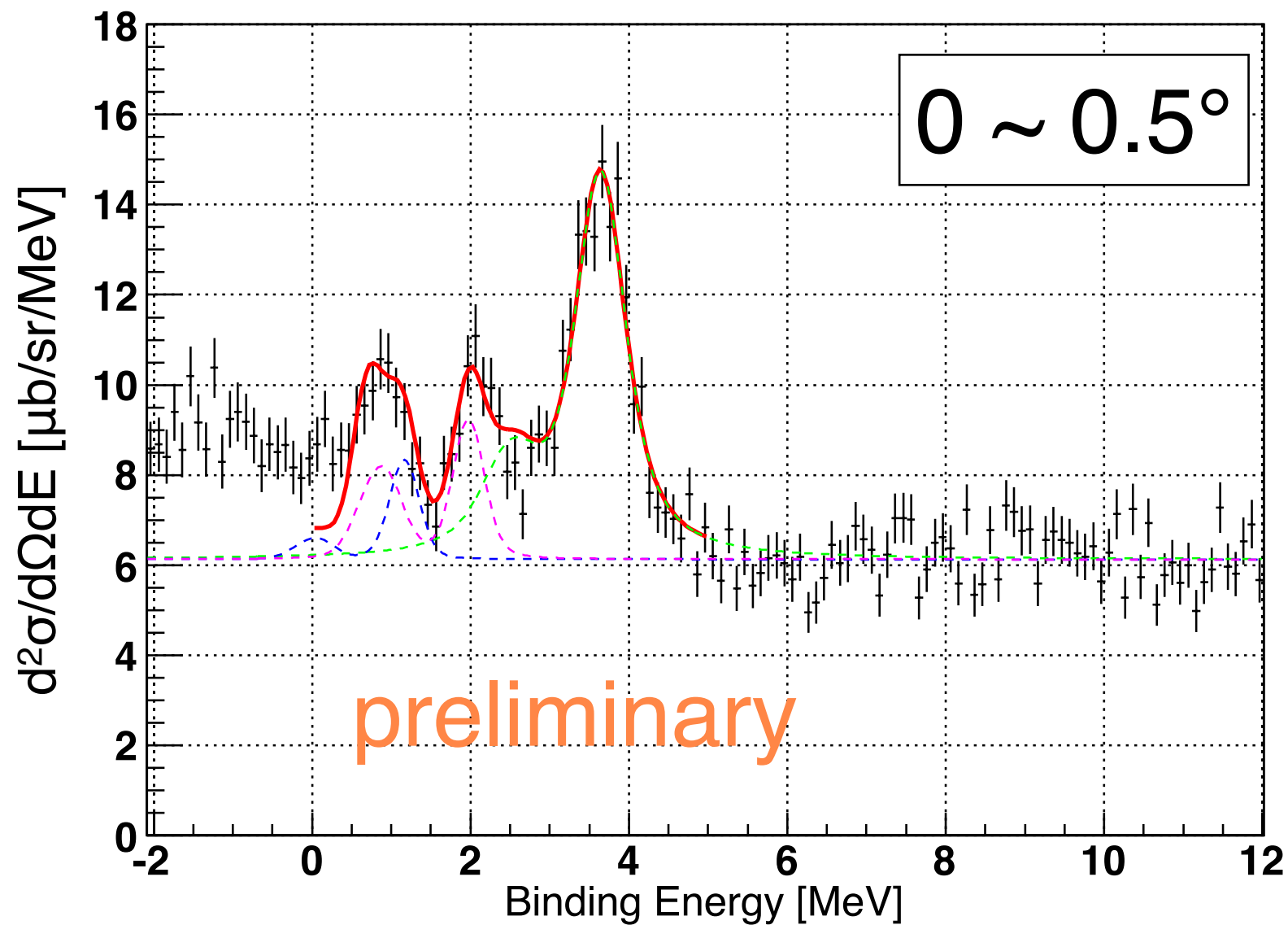
mixture of $(2s, 2p)_\pi \otimes (2d_{\frac{3}{2}}, 2d_{\frac{5}{2}}, 3s_{\frac{1}{2}})_{n-1}$

preliminary

First observation of

- deeply bound pionic states in ^{121}Sn
- angular dependence of $(d, ^3\text{He})$ reaction

Decomposition of Spectra



fit function; $F(E) = F_{bg} + \sum_{nl} F_{nl}$

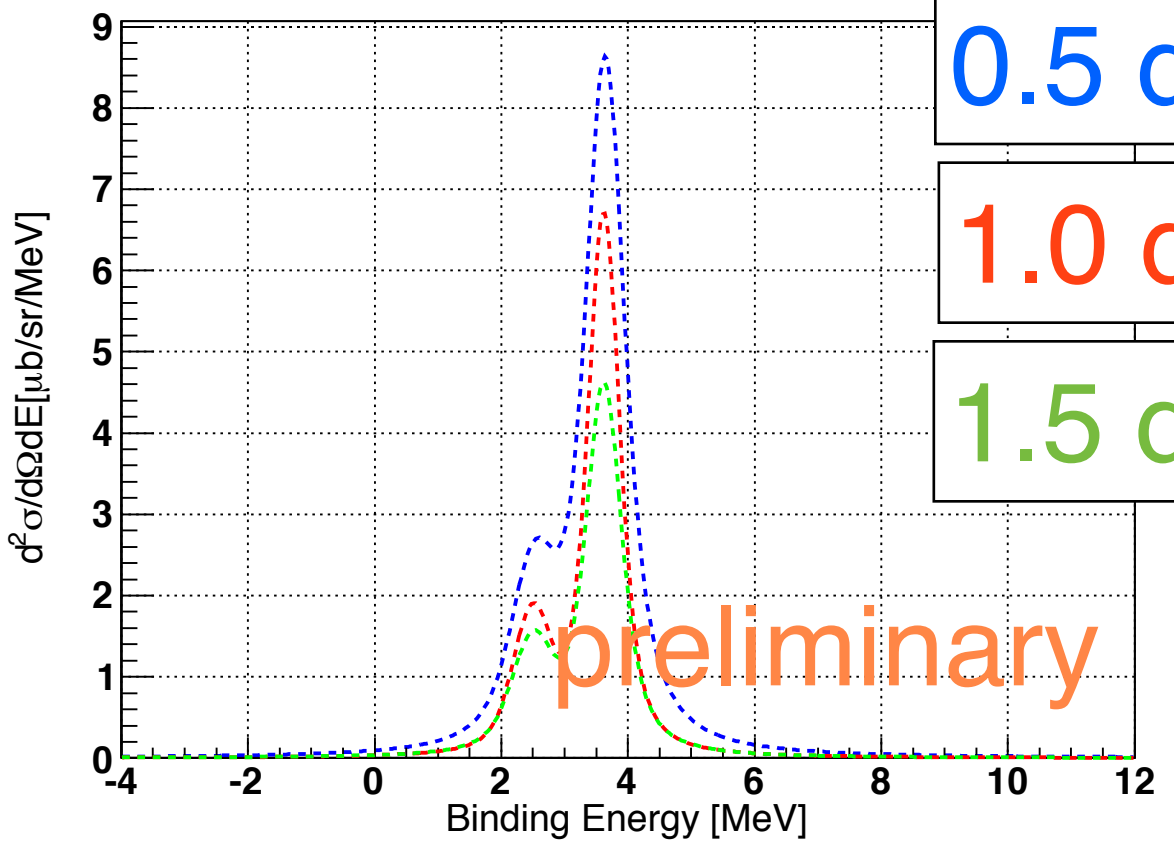
free parameter

$$F_{nl}(E) = S_{nl} \sum_{j_m} N_{eff}^{nl, j_m} \text{Voigt}(E - \underbrace{B.E.}_{\pi^-}^{nl} + \underbrace{E_{hole}}^{j_m}, \underbrace{\Gamma}_{\pi^-}^{nl}, \sigma_{exp})$$

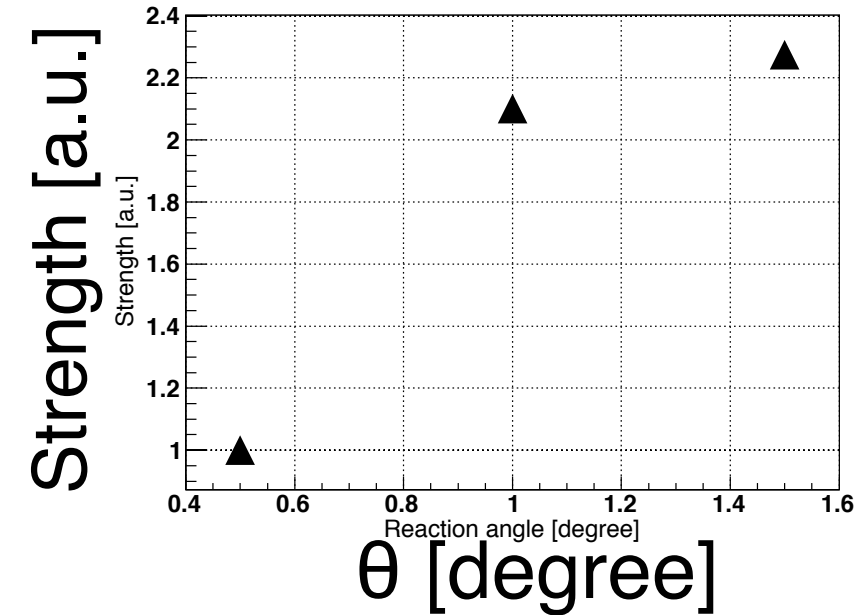
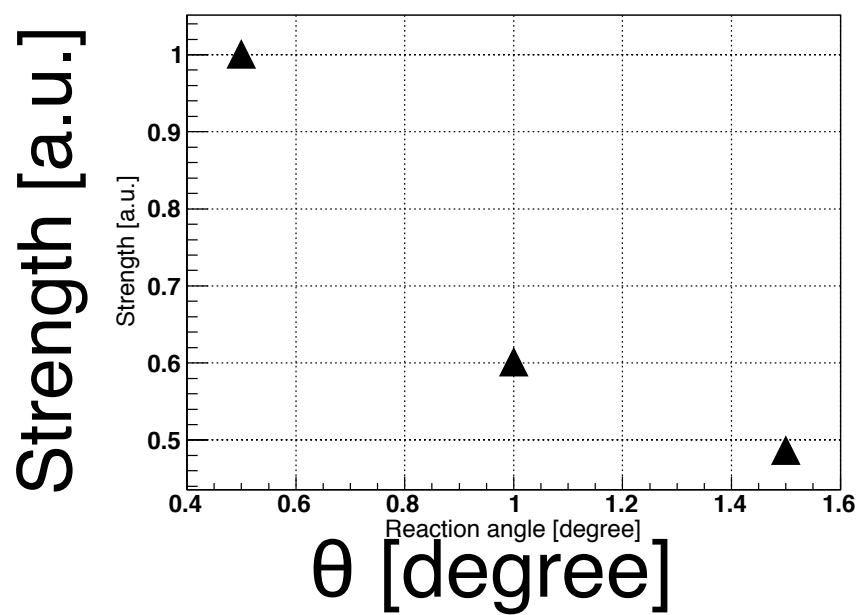
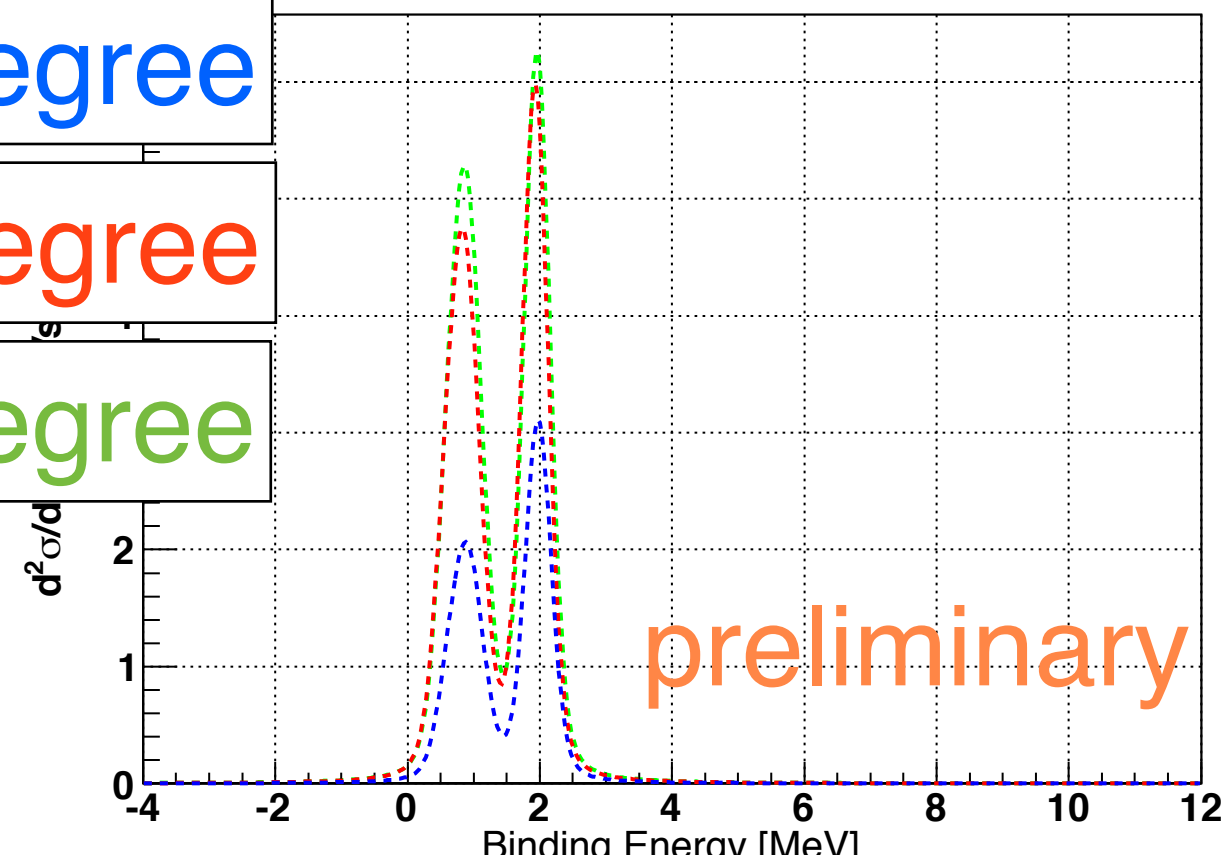
nl ; index for pionic states / j_m ; index for neutron hole states

Decomposition of Spectra

$(1s)_{\pi^-} \times n$ hole



$(2p)_{\pi^-} \times n$ hole



Current status

Finalizing

- optical aberration
- acceptance including angular dependence
- energy calibration by $p(d, {}^3\text{He})\pi^0$ reaction

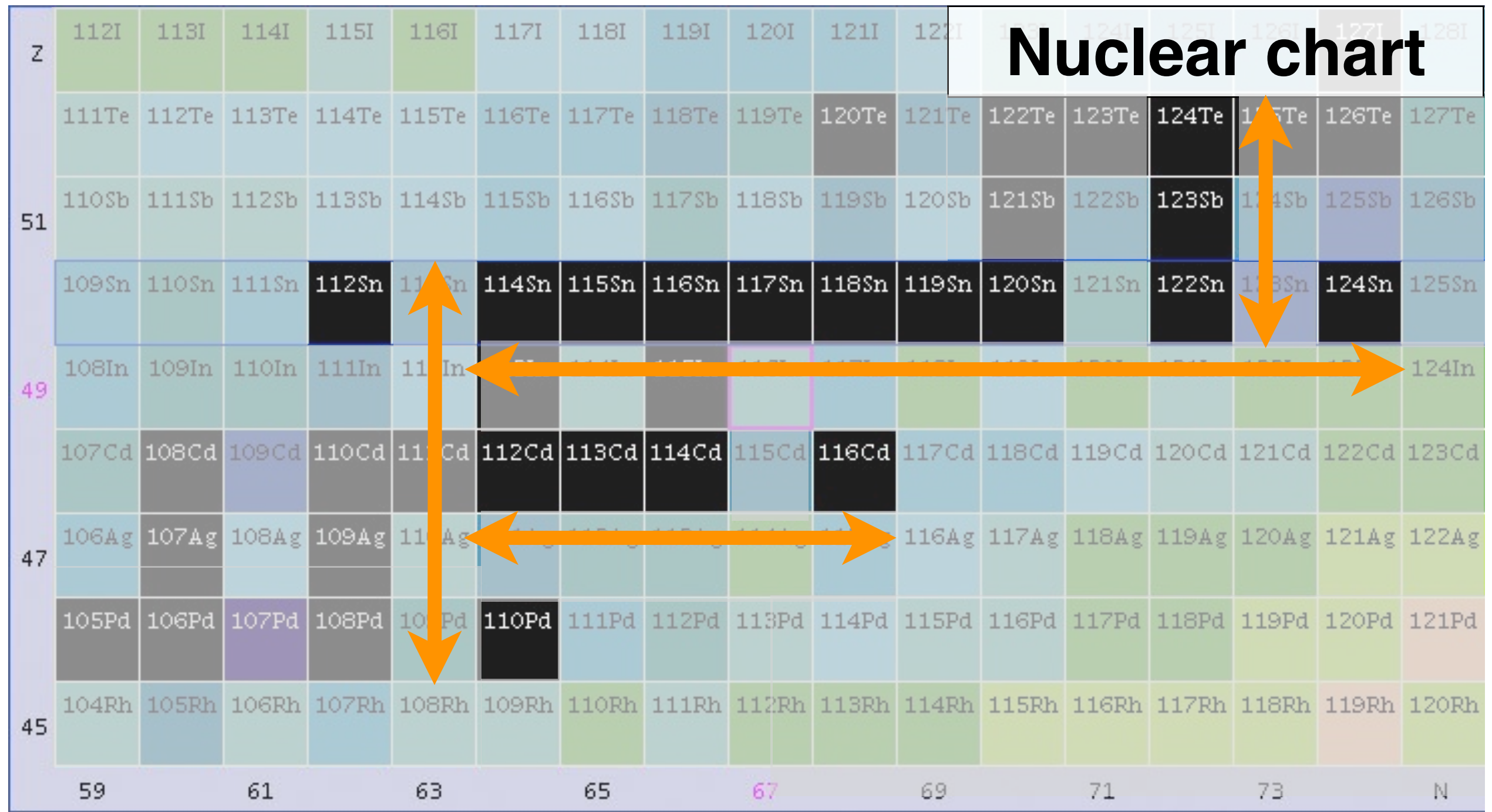
main experiment

- some improvements are suggested
- preparing for the main experiment

3. Future perspectives
~ pionic unstable nuclei ~

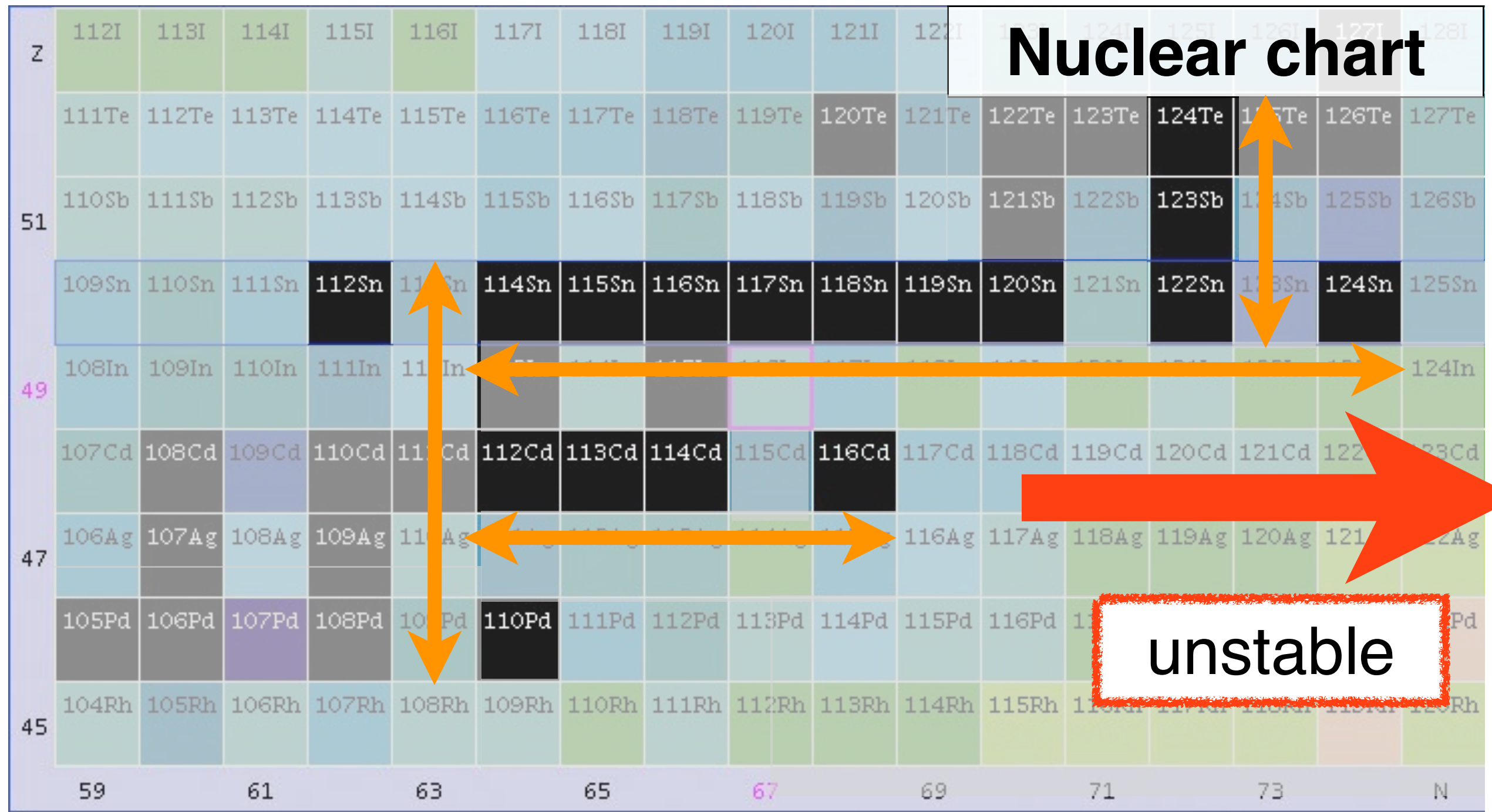
Pionic atom of unstable nuclei

systematic study of stable nuclei

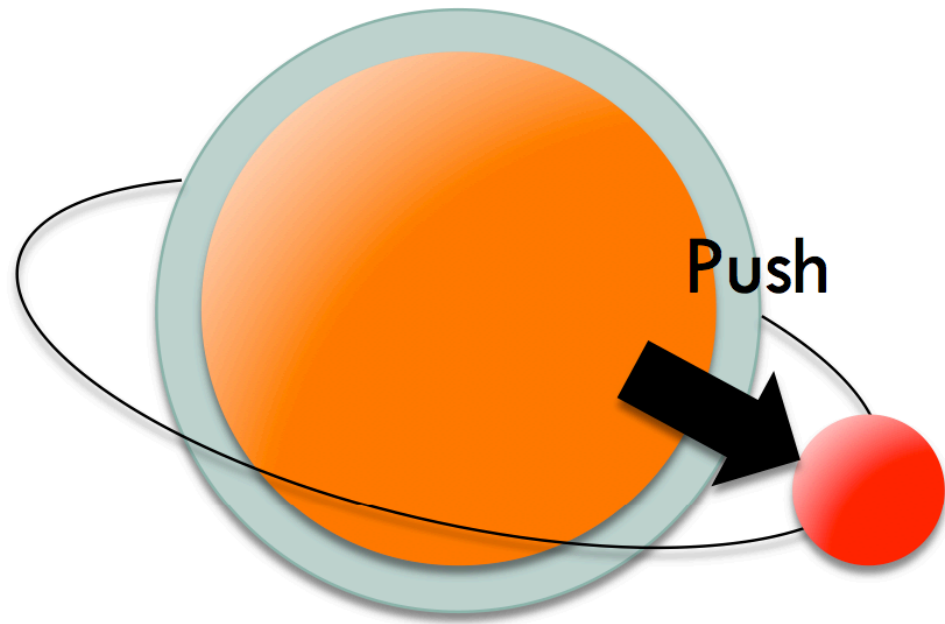


Pionic atom of unstable nuclei

systematic study of stable nuclei



Pionic atom of neutron rich nuclei



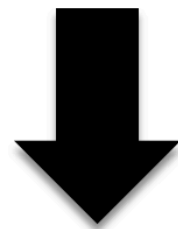
Pion-Nucleus Interaction

$$V_{s-wave} = b_0\rho + \underline{b_1(\rho_n - \rho_p)} + B_0\rho^2$$

Neutron-Pion: Repulsive!

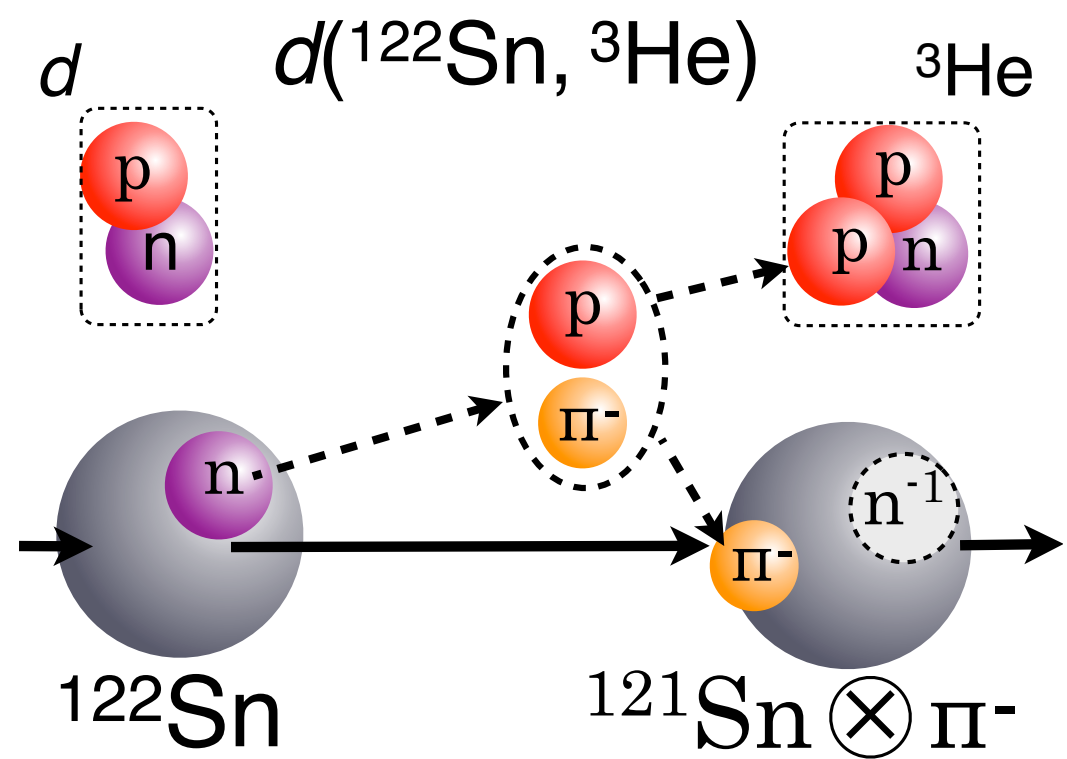
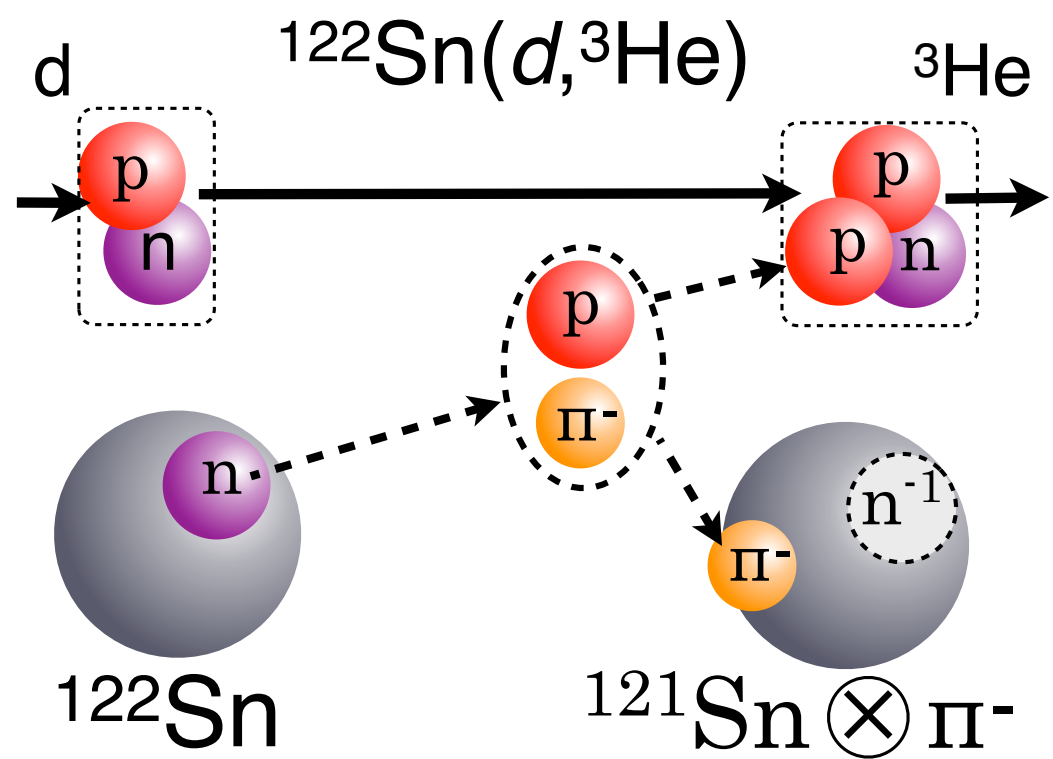
Pion is pushed outward

Different density lower than $0.6 \rho_0$ is probed



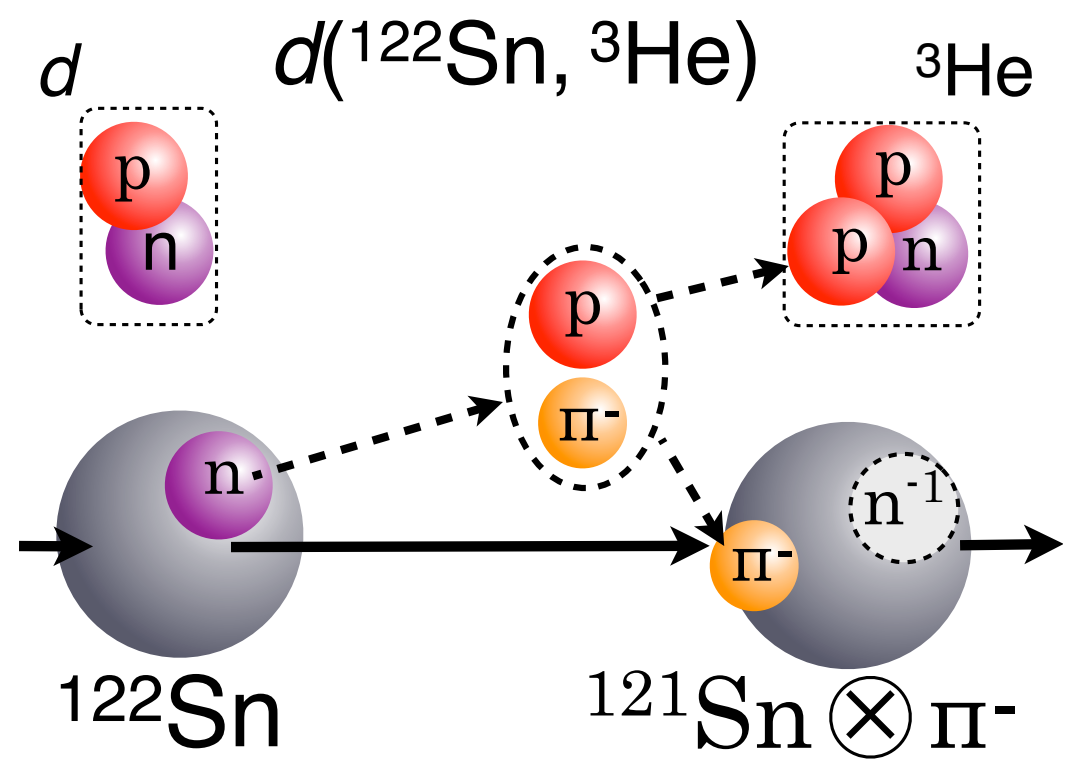
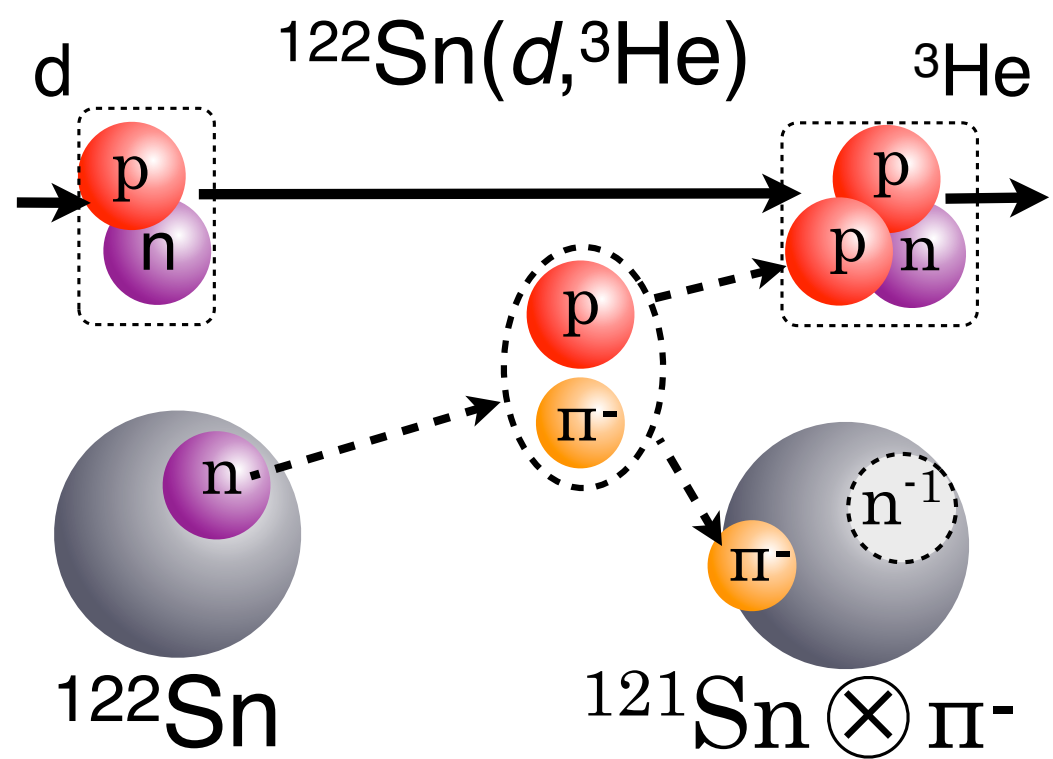
Density dependence of $|\langle \bar{q}q \rangle|$ will be deduced

Inverse kinematics of $(d, ^3\text{He})$ reaction



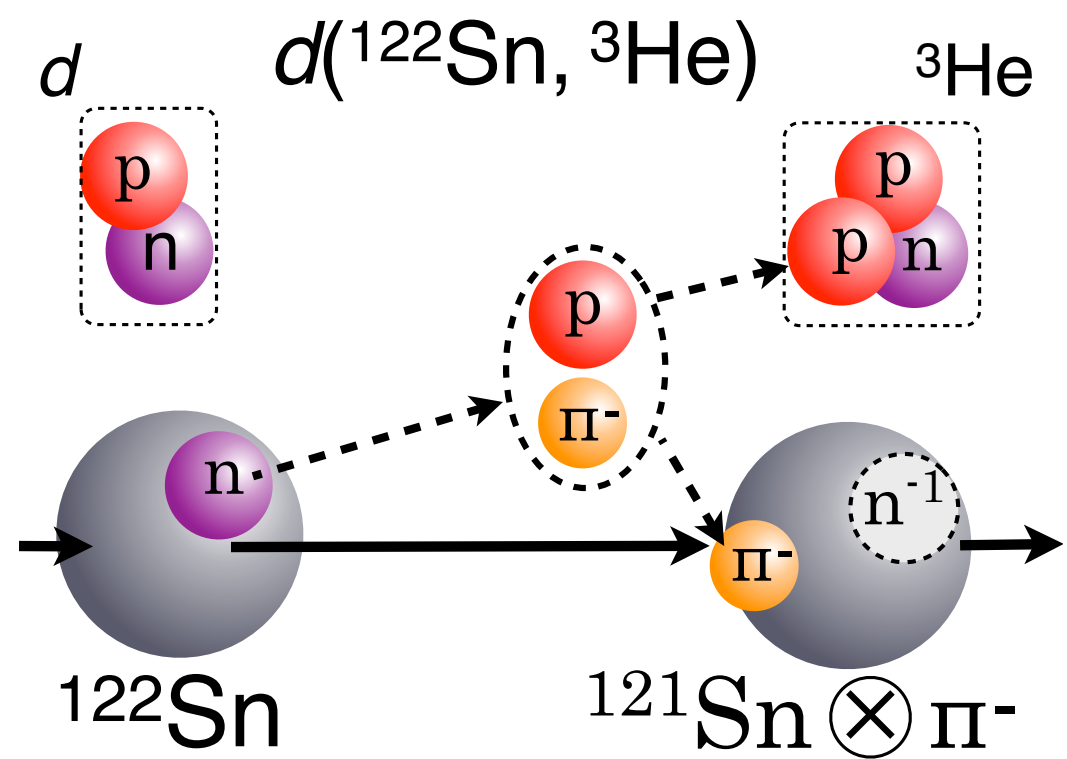
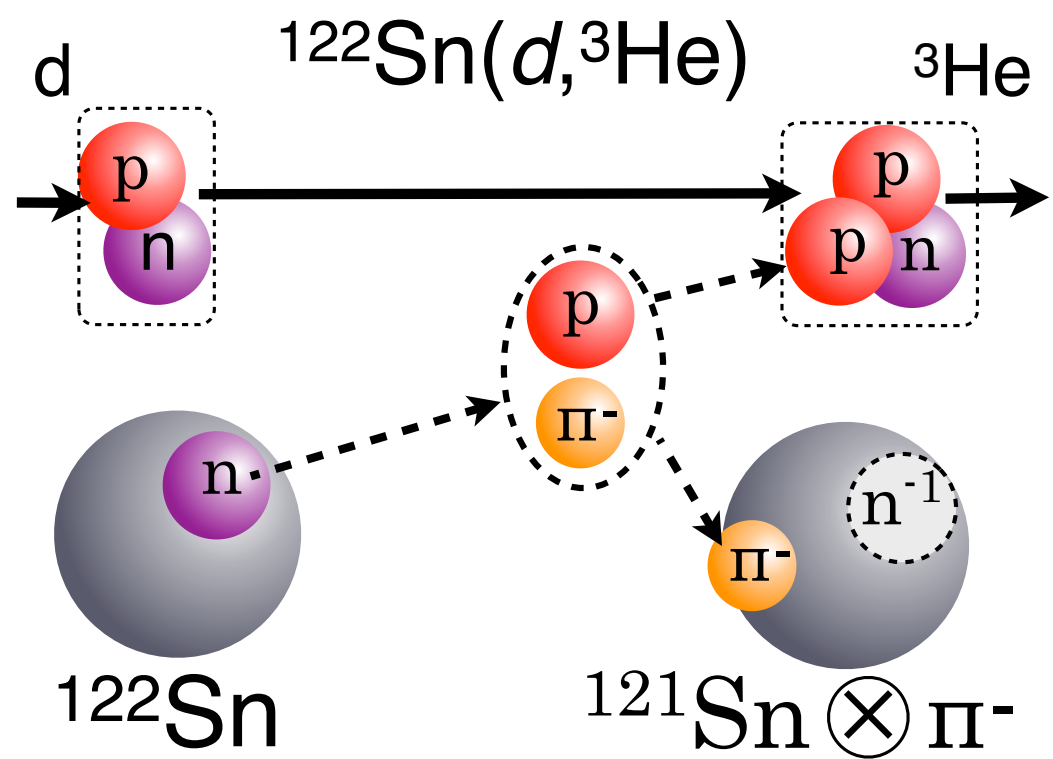
	normal	inverse
Beam	deuteron	(unstable) nuclei
target	stable nuclei	deuteron
Beam energy	250 MeV/u	250 MeV/u
Detecting particle	^3He	^3He

Inverse kinematics of $(d, ^3\text{He})$ reaction



	normal	inverse
Beam	deuteron	(unstable) D₂ gas
target	stable nuclei	deuteron
Beam energy	250 MeV/u	250 MeV/u
Detecting particle	^3He	^3He

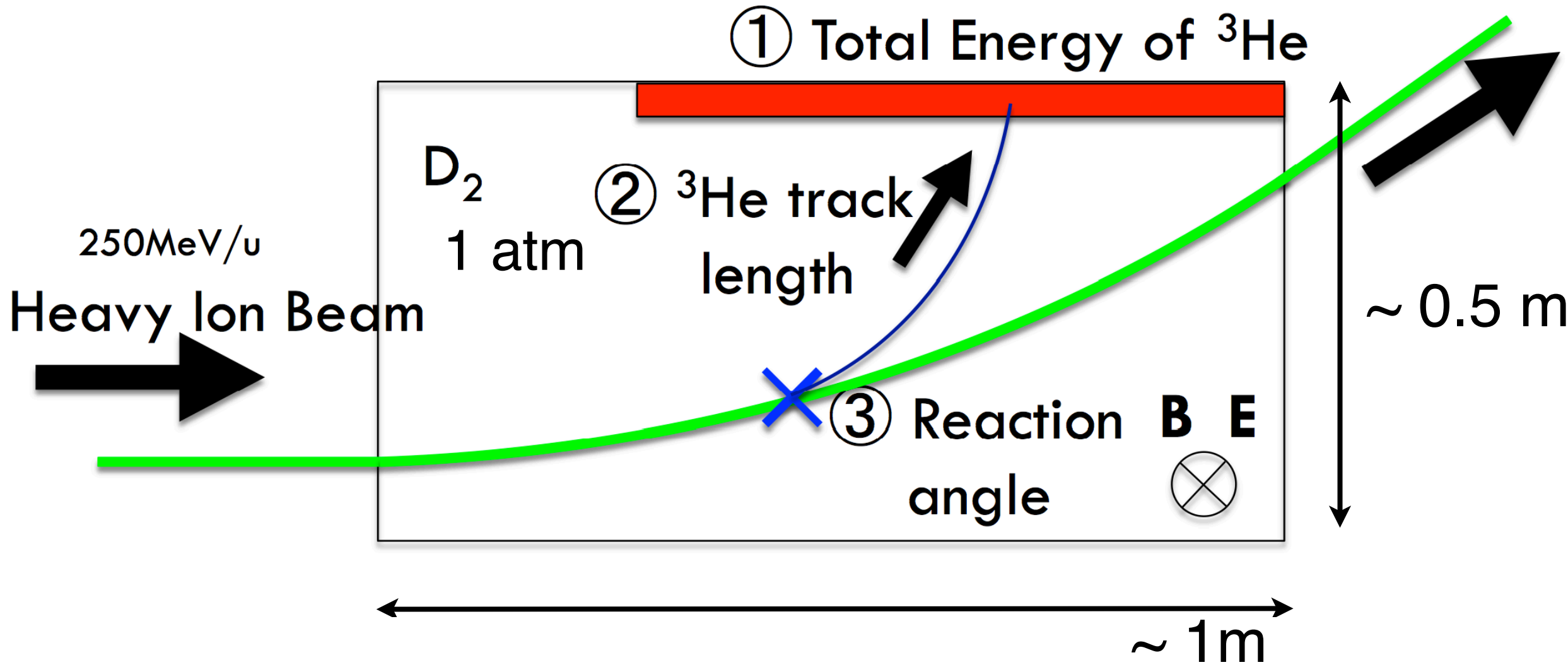
Inverse kinematics of $(d, {}^3\text{He})$ reaction



	normal	inverse
Beam	deuteron	(unstable) D₂ gas
target	stable nuclei	deuteron
Beam energy	~ 365 MeV MeV/u	250 MeV ~ 60 MeV
Detecting particle	<u>³He</u>	<u>³He</u>

Experimental design for inverse kinematics

Detectors ; Active target TPC & Si detector



- ① ^3He energy is measured at Si
- ② ΔE deduced from track length
- ③ θ deduced from track

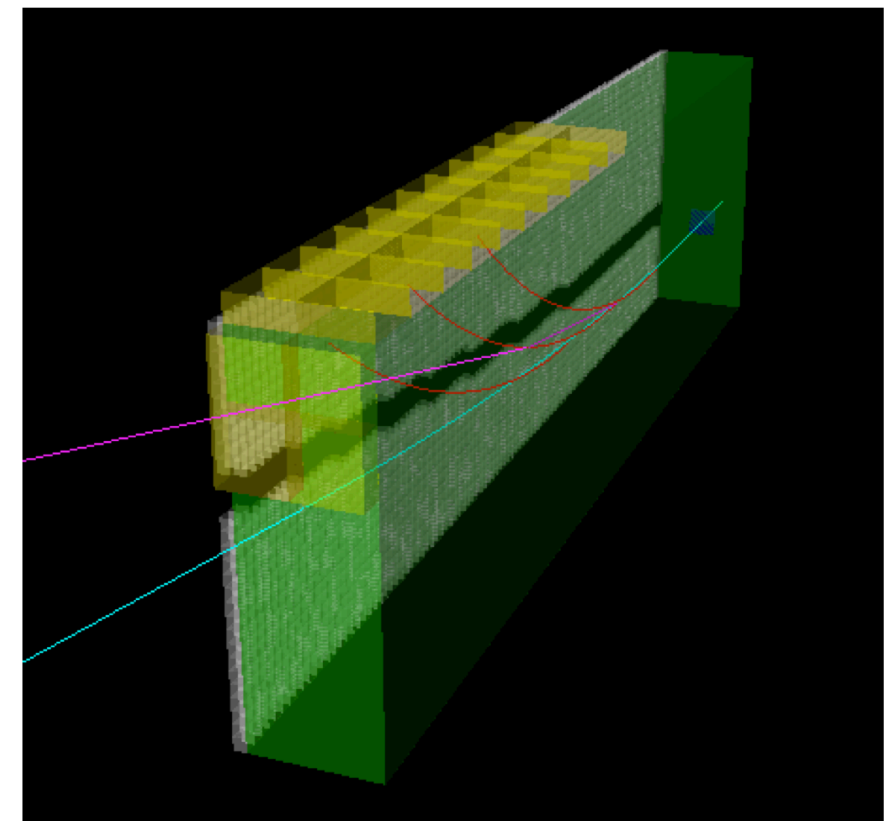
\rightarrow $p_{^3\text{He}}$ at reaction point

Yield and resolution estimation (simulation)

	requirement
yield	$10^2 / \text{day}$ (for 1s state)
resolution	$\Delta Q < 1 \text{ MeV}$ (FWHM)

input parameter

intensity	$\sim 10^6/\text{s}$ (^{124}Sn)
TPC resolution	$\sim 500 \mu\text{m}$
Si resolution	$0.1\% @ 60\text{MeV}$



GEANT4 simulation

Yield and resolution estimation (simulation)

	yield
Target	D ₂ gas (1 atm, 293.15 K) 100 cm
Beam Intensity [/s]	1×10^6
Cross Section [μb]	2.54×10^{-1}
Yield [/day]	1.1×10^2

Yield and resolution estimation (simulation)

Cause	resolution ΔQ (FWHM) [keV]
Energy Resolution of Si at $T_{\text{He}} \sim 60$ MeV $\sigma_{\text{Si}} = 0.1 \%$	~ 350
Energy Straggling of ${}^3\text{He}$ in TPC	~ 350
Vertex Reconstruction With Incident Beam $\sigma_{\text{TPC}} = 500 \mu\text{m}$	~ 130
Total	~ 500

Yield and resolution estimation (simulation)

	requirement
yield	$10^2 / \text{day}$ (for 1s state)
resolution	$\Delta Q < 1 \text{ MeV}$ (FWHM)

	simulation result
yield	$1.1 \times 10^2 / \text{day}$ (for 1s state)
resolution	$\Delta Q \sim 500 \text{ keV}$ (FWHM)

This design satisfy the requirement of the experiment

Current status

We are evaluating the resolution of Si detector with α source.



Summary

- ❖ Deeply-bound pionic atom is good probe for quark condensate in finite density.
- ❖ We are planning the precise / systematic measurement of deeply-bound pionic atom and performed a pilot experiment.
- ❖ We succeed to observe the deeply bound pionic states in ^{121}Sn and angular dependence of the $(d, {}^3\text{He})$ reaction cross section for the first time with in 15-hour measurement.
- ❖ Now we are finalizing the result of the pilot experiment to extract binding energy and width of deeply bound pionic states.
- ❖ We are also preparing for main experiment with ^{122}Sn target.
- ❖ Experiment with inverse kinematics enable us to produce unstable pionic atom and to approach the density dependence of quark condensate.
- ❖ The feasibility was confirmed by GEANT4 simulation and we are starting the study of detectors.

Deduction of b_1 from experimental data

TABLE I. Observed binding energies (B_{1s}) and widths (Γ_{1s}) of the $1s \pi^-$ states in $^{115,119,123}\text{Sn}$ isotopes.

Isotope	B_{1s} (MeV)	ΔB_{1s} (MeV)			Γ_{1s} (MeV)	$\Delta \Gamma_{1s}$ (MeV)		
		Stat.	Syst.	Total		Stat.	Syst.	Total
^{115}Sn	3.906	± 0.021	± 0.012	± 0.024	0.441	± 0.068	± 0.054	± 0.087
^{119}Sn	3.820	± 0.013	± 0.012	± 0.018	0.326	± 0.047	± 0.065	± 0.080
^{123}Sn	3.744	± 0.013	± 0.012	± 0.018	0.341	± 0.036	± 0.063	± 0.072

K. Suzuki et al., PRL92 072302 (2004)

π -A s-wave optical potential

$$V_s(r) = -\frac{2\pi}{\mu} [\epsilon_1 b_0 \{\rho(r) + b_1 \delta\rho(r)\} + \epsilon_2 B_0 \rho(r)^2].$$

4 parameters ($b_0, b_1, \text{Re}B_0, \text{Im}B_0$) in equation
 \Leftrightarrow 2 parameters from experiment BE_{1s}, Γ_{1s}

Physics motivation; quark condensate

Measurement of quark condensate in finite density

Gell-Mann-Oakes-Renner relation

M. Gell-Mann *et al.*, PR175(1968)2195.

$$f_{\pi}^2 m_{\pi^{\pm}}^2 = -m_q \langle \bar{q}q \rangle + O(m_q^2)$$

f_{π} : pion decay constant

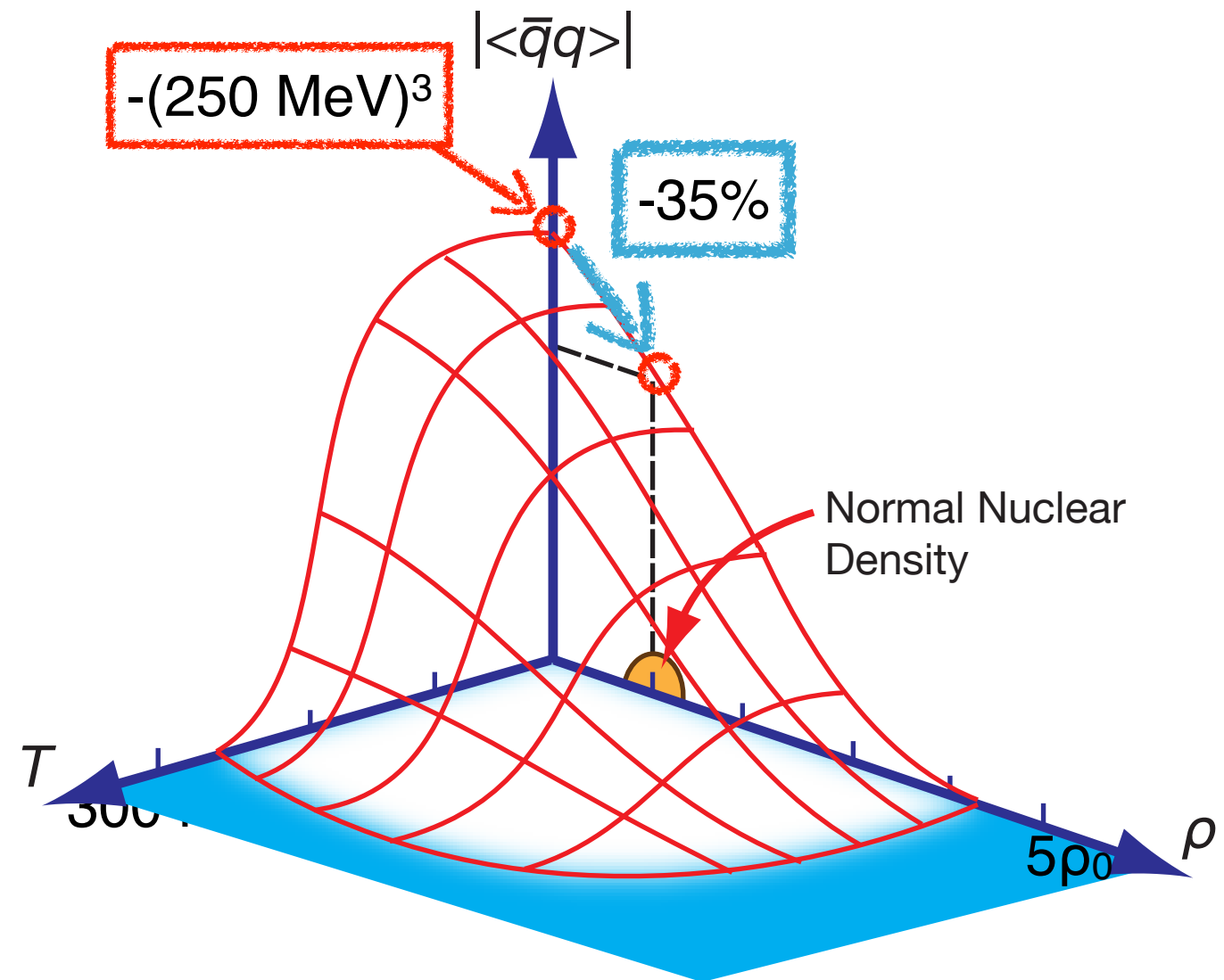
Tomozawa-Weinberg relation

Y. Tomozawa, NuovoCimA46(1966)707.

S. Weinberg, PRL17(1966)616.

$$b_1 \simeq \frac{1}{4(1 + m_{\pi}/M_{Nucleon})} \frac{m_{\pi}}{2\pi f_{\pi}^2}$$

b_1 : isovector scattering length



W. Weise, NPA553(93)59.

Physics motivation; quark condensate

Measurement of quark condensate in finite density

Gell-Mann-Oakes-Renner relation

M. Gell-Mann *et al.*, PR175(1968)2195.

$$f_{\pi}^2 m_{\pi^{\pm}}^2 = -m_q \langle \bar{q}q \rangle + O(m_q^2)$$

f_{π} : pion decay constant

Tomozawa-Weinberg relation

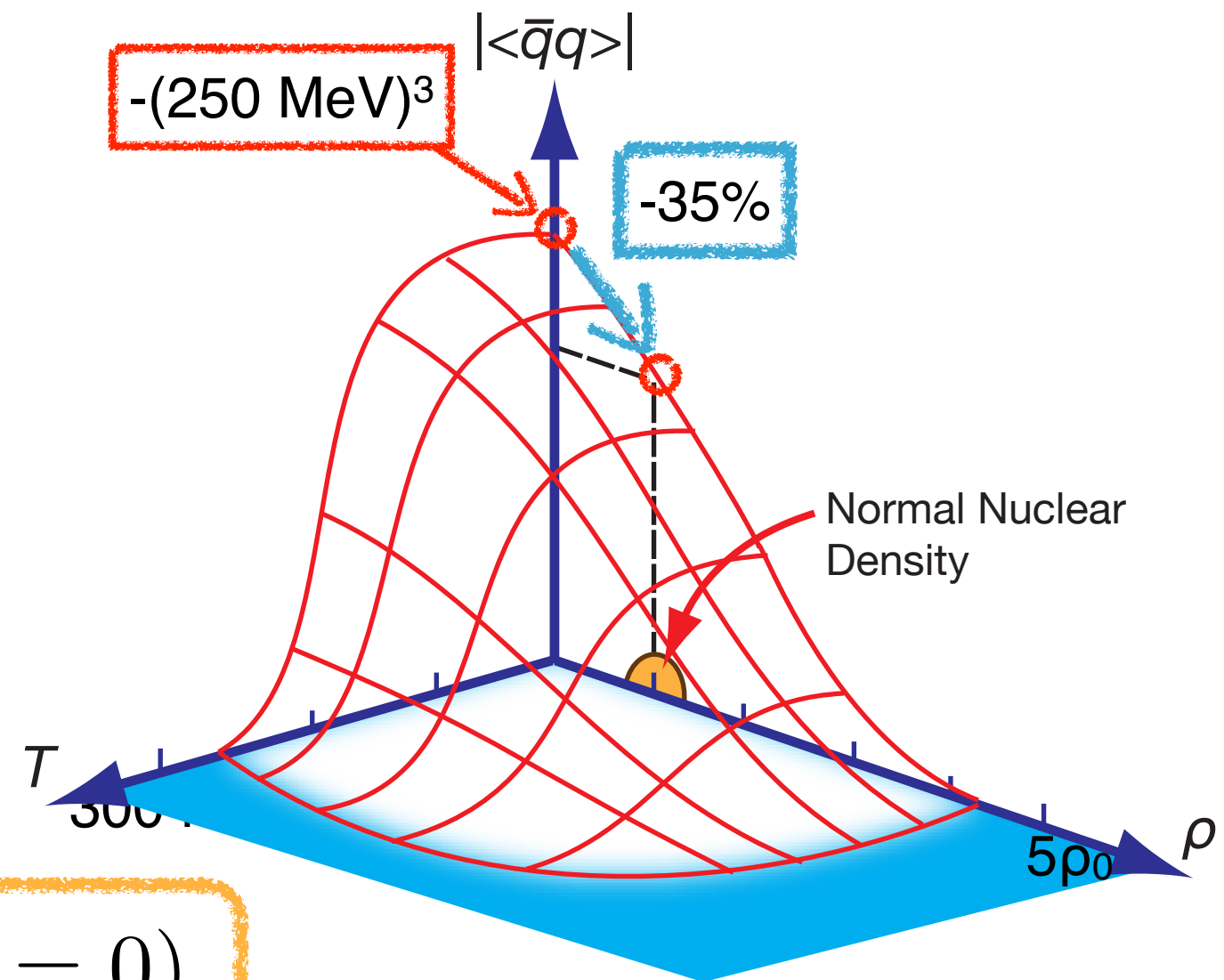
Y. Tomozawa, NuovoCimA46(1966)707.

S. Weinberg, PRL17(1966)616.

$$b_1 \simeq \frac{1}{4(1 + m_{\pi}/M_{Nucleon})} \frac{m_{\pi}}{2\pi f_{\pi}^2}$$

b_1 : isovector scattering length

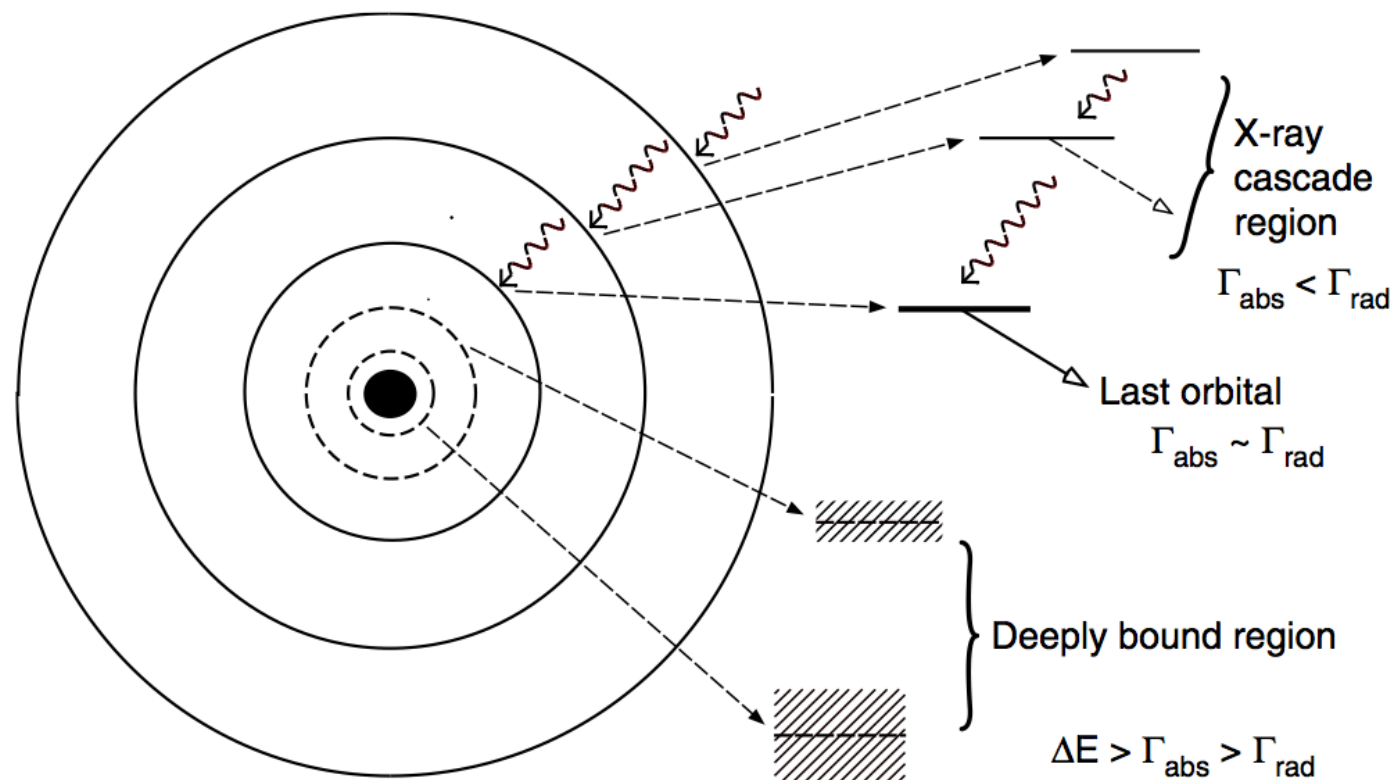
$$\frac{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle_{\rho=\rho_0}}{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle_{\rho=0}} \simeq \left(\frac{m_{\pi}^*}{m_{\pi}} \right)^2 \frac{b_1(\rho=0)}{b_1(\rho=\rho_0)}$$



W. Weise, NPA553(93)59.

Conventional method; use π^- beam

slow pion beam is captured in target nuclei
and cascade emitting X-ray



pionic 1s state in H
→ b_1 in vacuum

This method is applied only for

- higher orbits
- light nuclei ($\sim {}^{24}\text{Mg}$ for 1s)

Yamazaki *et al*, Phys. Rep. 514, 1(2012)

This method cannot produce “deeply-bound” pionic atom...