

# Formation of deeply bound pionic atoms and pion properties in nuclei

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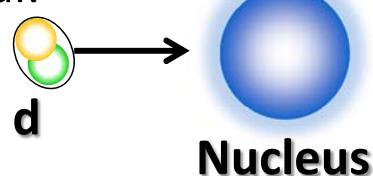
# Deeply bound pionic atom

$\pi^-$  meson-Nucleus system:

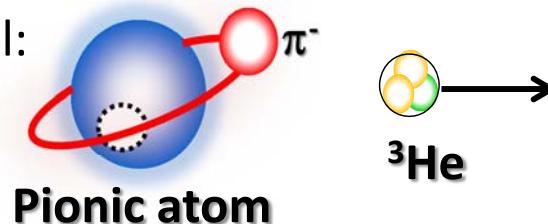
Coulomb + Strong Interaction

➤ (d,  $^3\text{He}$ ) reaction: Pionic 1s states in  $^{115}, 119, 123\text{Sn}$

Initial:



Final:



➤ Pion-Nucleus optical potential

$$2\mu V_{\text{opt}}^s = -4\pi[\varepsilon_1\{b_0\rho(r) + b_1\delta\rho(r)\} + \varepsilon_2 B_0\rho^2(r)]$$

➤ GOR relation + Tomozawa-Weinberg relation

$$\frac{\langle\bar{q}q\rangle_\rho}{\langle\bar{q}q\rangle_0} \simeq \frac{f_\pi^{*2}}{f_\pi^2} \simeq \frac{b_1^{\text{free}}}{b_1^*(\rho)} = 0.78 \pm 0.05 \text{ @ } \rho \simeq 0.6\rho_0$$

$\downarrow$

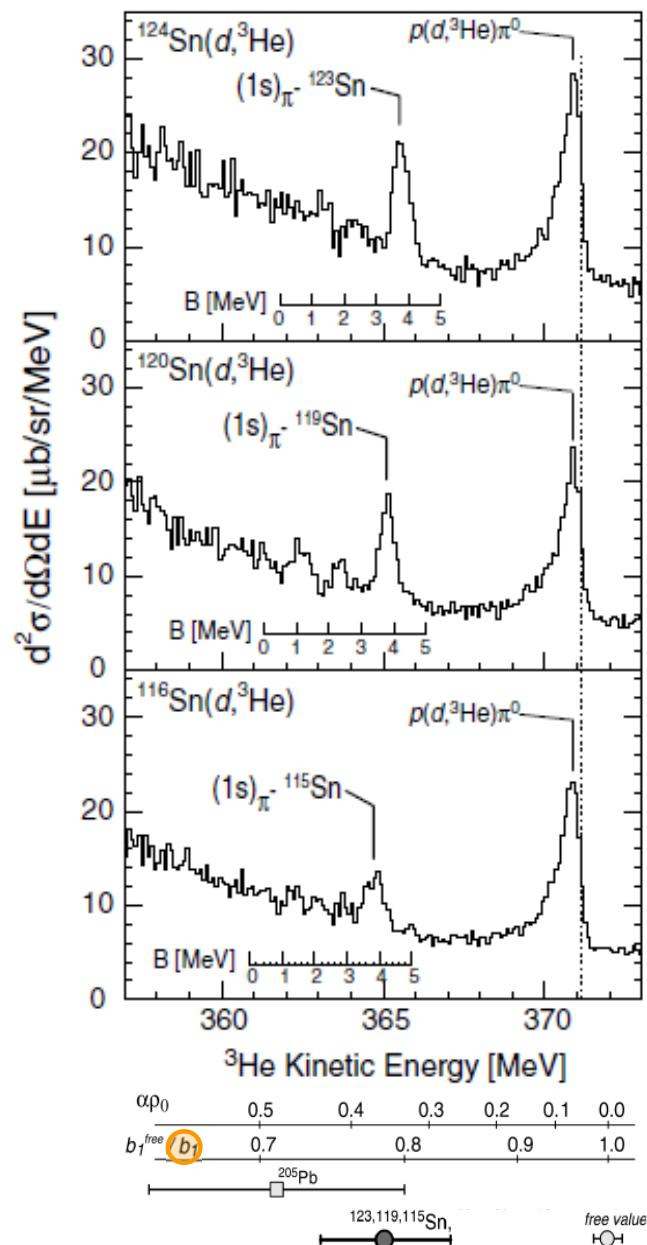
$$\sim 0.67 \text{ @ } \rho = \rho_0$$

## Theoretical basis

E.E. Kolomeitsev, N. Kaiser, W. Weise, PRL90(03)092501

D. Jido, T. Hatsuda, T. Kunihiro, PLB670(08)109

K. Suzuki *et al.*, PRL92(04)072302



Useful system to study pion properties at finite density  
and partial restoration of chiral symmetry

# What's next?

## Interests

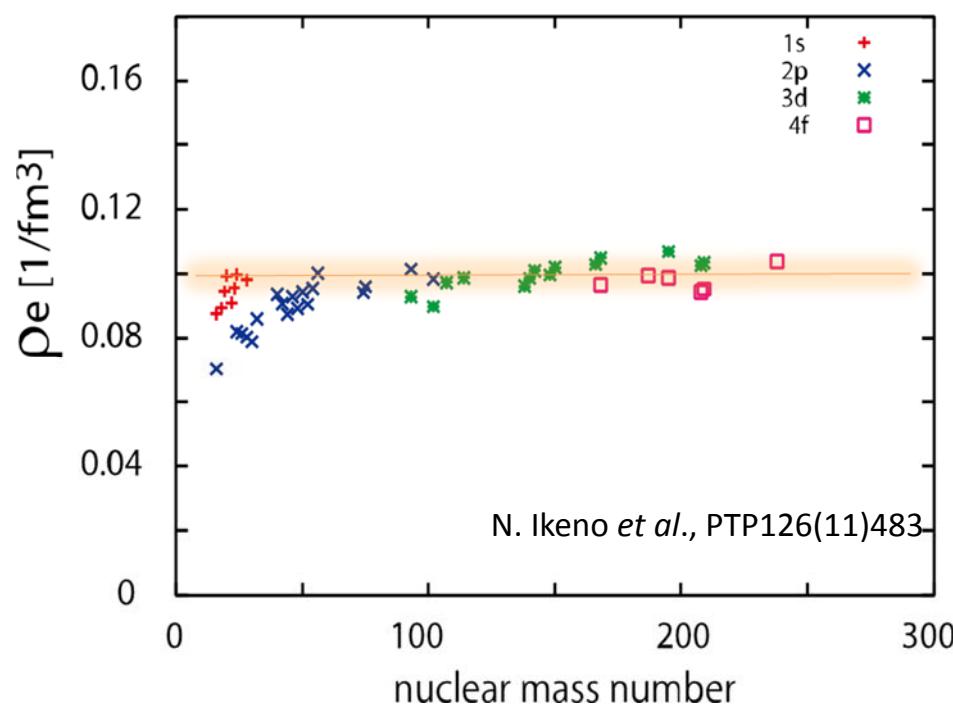
$\bar{q}q$  condensate: More accurate determination

Beyond the linear density approximation

In asymmetric (n or p rich) nuclear matter

→ Aspects of symmetry and pion properties in ``*various conditions (densities)*''

## Difficulties for precise studies



Nuclear density probed by pionic atom

: Only limited to  $\rho \simeq 0.6\rho_0$



- Strong correlation of parameters

$b_0$  vs.  $\text{Re}B_0$

- $\frac{\langle\bar{q}q\rangle_\rho}{\langle\bar{q}q\rangle_0} \simeq \frac{f_\pi^{*2}}{f_\pi^2} \simeq \frac{b_1^{\text{free}}}{b_1^*(\rho)} = 0.78 \pm 0.05 @ \rho \simeq 0.6\rho_0$

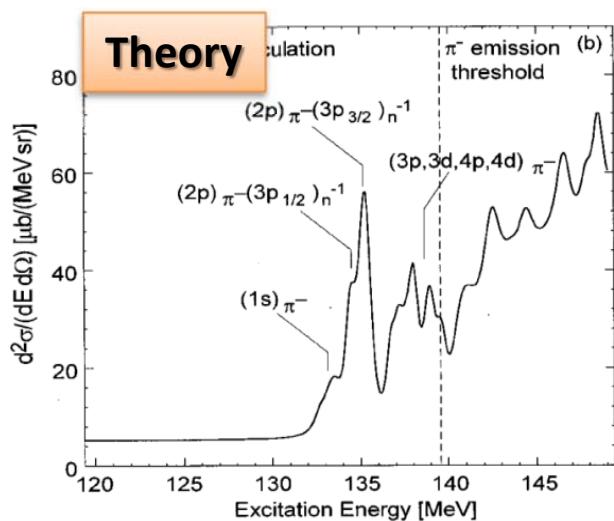
# Motivation and Our theoretical studies

More Systematic/Accurate information on pionic states from the observations is important

## Theoretical Formation spectra

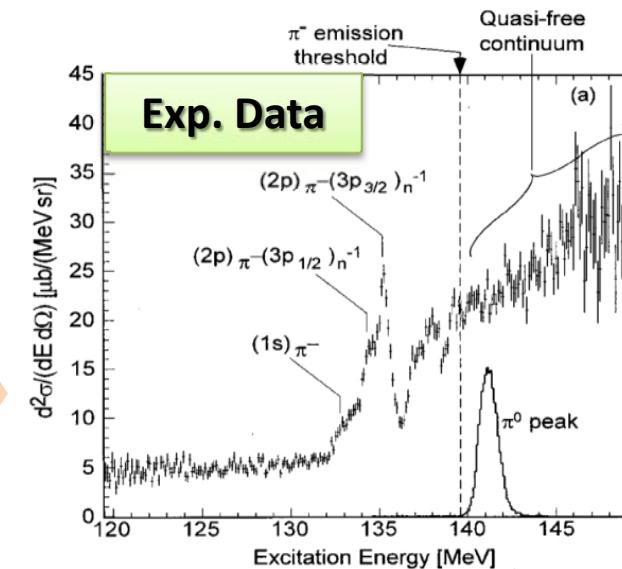
- Various targets: Even + Odd neutron nuclear
- Reaction angle: 0 - 3 deg.
- Formation reaction:  $(d, {}^3He)$ ,  $(p, 2p)$  reaction
- Formation Spectra in Green's function Method

- ✓  ${}^{122}Sn(d, {}^3He)$  spectra: Even target
- ✓  ${}^{117}Sn(d, {}^3He)$  spectra: Odd target
- ✓  ${}^{117}Sn(p, 2p)$  spectra: Odd target



${}^{208}\text{Pb}(d, {}^3\text{He})$

Direct comparison



# Finite angle, Odd target studies

## ➤ (d,<sup>3</sup>He) reaction at finite angles

**Matching condition:**  $L = [\ell_\pi \otimes \ell_n^{-1}] \simeq qR$

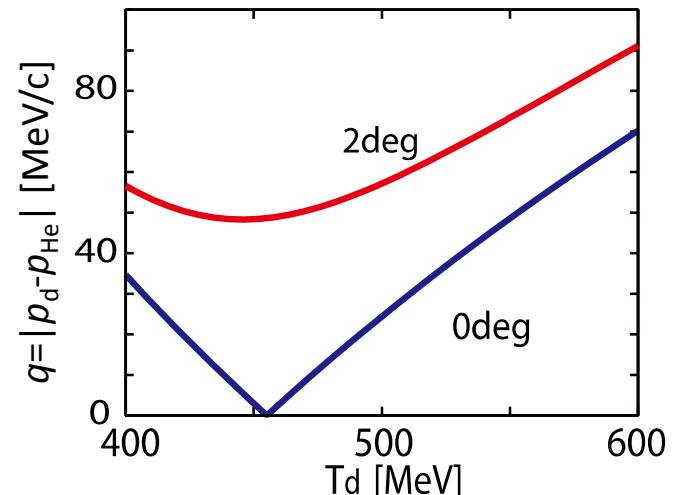
**Forward angle:** Near recoilless condition ( $q \sim 0$ )

**Finite angles:** Larger momentum transfer

- Several atomic states (ex. 1s, 2s, 2p) in the same nuclei

=> Possible reduction of systematic errors

Neutron density ambiguities      Experimental uncertainties



## ➤ Even + Odd neutron nuclear target

- Systematic 'precise' observation for various nucleus

Pb:	<sup>205</sup> Pb 5/2 <sup>-</sup>	<sup>206</sup> Pb 0 <sup>+</sup>	<sup>207</sup> Pb 1/2 <sup>-</sup>	<sup>208</sup> Pb 0 <sup>+</sup>	Target Nuclei in the Experiments @GSI <b>Even-Even Nucleus: J<sup>p</sup>=0<sup>+</sup></b>								
Sn:	<sup>115</sup> Sn 1/2 <sup>+</sup>	<sup>116</sup> Sn 0 <sup>+</sup>	<sup>117</sup> Sn 1/2 <sup>+</sup>	<sup>118</sup> Sn 0 <sup>+</sup>	<sup>119</sup> Sn 1/2 <sup>+</sup>	<sup>120</sup> Sn 0 <sup>+</sup>	<sup>121</sup> Sn 3/2 <sup>+</sup>	<sup>122</sup> Sn 0 <sup>+</sup>	<sup>123</sup> Sn 11/2 <sup>-</sup>	<sup>124</sup> Sn 0 <sup>+</sup>			

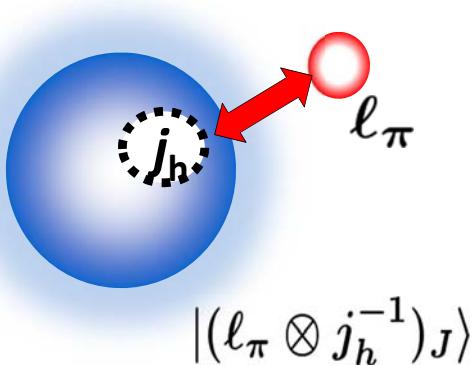
Experiments @RIBF/RIKEN

# Interests of Odd target $J^p=1/2^+$

``**Pionic state**  $[\pi^- \otimes 0^+]$  *free from residual interaction effect*''

## Even-Even Nucleus: $J^p=0^+$

Final state: pion particle - neutron hole  $[\pi \otimes n^{-1}]$



## “Residual interaction effect”

- Level splitting between different  $J$  state
- Energy shift

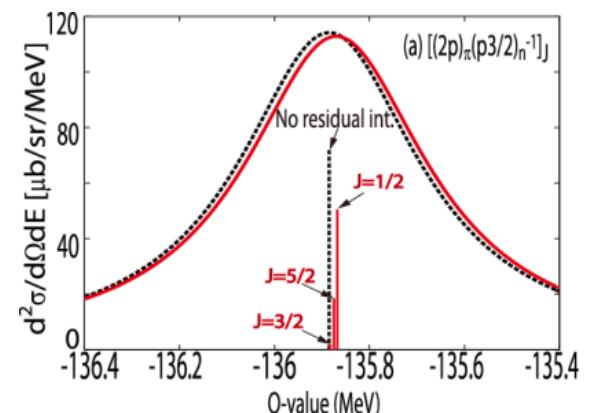


Additional difficulty to determine  
B.E. and parameters in  $V_{\text{opt}}$

S. Hirenzaki *et al.* PRC60(99)058202;  
N. Nose-Togawa *et al.* PRC71(05)061601(R)

$^{116}\text{Sn}$ complex energy shift			
$j_h^{-1}$	1s [keV]	2p [keV]	
$3s_{1/2}^{-1}$	-15.4-4.2i	<b>J=1/2</b> -4.0-1.1i	
		<b>J=3/2</b> -4.0-1.1i	
$2d_{3/2}^{-1}$	-15.9-4.8i	<b>J=1/2</b> -9.1-3.1i	
		<b>J=3/2</b> 0.3+0.3i	
		<b>J=5/2</b> -5.2-1.8i	

Exp. Error  $\pm 24$  [keV] @GSI



## [Exp. Error] vs. [Shift due to Residual Int.]

→ Observation of pionic states free from these effects is very important to obtain more accurate information from data.

# Formulation: Effective Number Approach

- Formation cross section (Bound state + Quasi-free production)

$$\left( \frac{d^2\sigma}{dE_{\text{He}} d\Omega_{\text{He}}} \right)_A^{\text{lab}} = \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_{\text{He}}} \right)_{\text{ele}}^{\text{lab}} \sum_{ph} K \left( \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi} \frac{1}{\Delta E^2 + \Gamma^2/4} N_{\text{eff}} + \frac{2p_\pi E_\pi}{\pi} N_{\text{eff}} \right)$$

$$\Delta E = Q + m_\pi - BE + Sn - 6.787 \text{ MeV}$$

- Elementary cross section  $\left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_{\text{He}}} \right)_{\text{ele}}^{\text{lab}}$ :

Experimental data ( $d+n \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} + \pi^-$ )

M. Betigeri *et al.*, NPA690(01)473

- Kinematical correction factor:

$$K = \left[ \frac{|\vec{p}_{\text{He}}^A|}{|\vec{p}_{\text{He}}|} \frac{E_n E_\pi}{E_n^A E_\pi^A} \left( 1 + \frac{E_{\text{He}}}{E_\pi} \frac{|\vec{p}_{\text{He}}| - |\vec{p}_d| \cos \theta_{d\text{He}}}{|\vec{p}_{\text{He}}|} \right) \right]^{\text{lab}}$$

Difference of kinematics between  
 $d+n \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} + \pi^-$  and  $A(d, {}^3\text{He})(A-1) \otimes \pi^-$

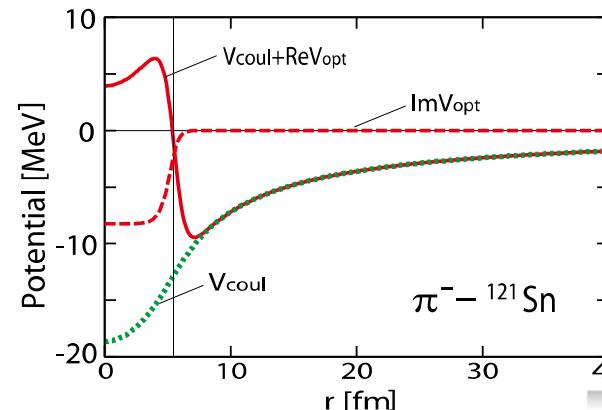
- Effective Number:

$$N_{\text{eff}} = \sum_{JMm} \left| \int d\vec{r} e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}} D(\vec{r}) \xi_{\frac{1}{2}m}^\dagger [\phi_{\ell_\pi}^*(\vec{r}) \otimes \psi_{j_n}(\vec{r})]_{JM} \right|^2$$

Different formulation for **Even-** and **Odd-** neutron nuclear targets

- Klein Gordon equation

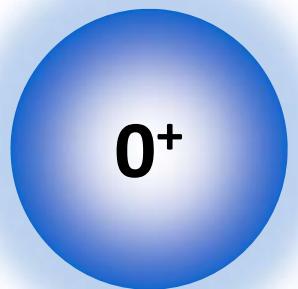
$$[-\nabla^2 + \mu^2 + 2\mu V_{\text{opt}}(r)]\phi(r) = [E - V_{\text{coul}}(r)]^2 \phi(r)$$



# Formulation: Effective Number

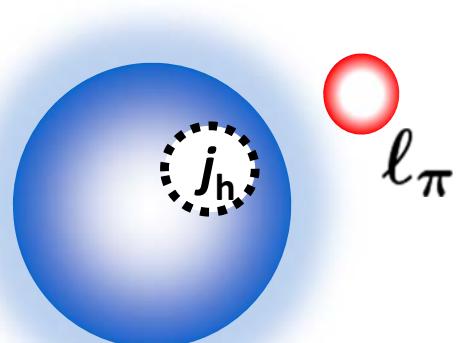
Even target:  $^{122}\text{Sn}$  ( $0^+$ )

Initial:



$|0^+\rangle$

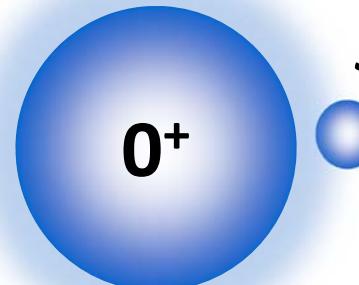
Final:



$|(\ell_\pi \otimes j_h^{-1})_J\rangle$

Odd target:  $^{117}, ^{119}\text{Sn}$  ( $1/2^+$ )

Initial:

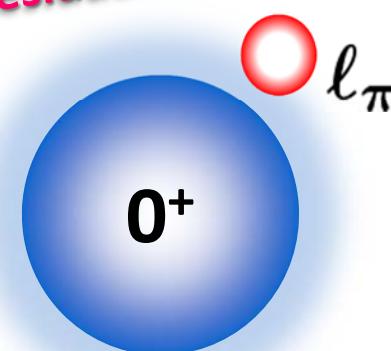


*Reasonable Assumption*  
 $|s_{1/2} \otimes 0^+\rangle$

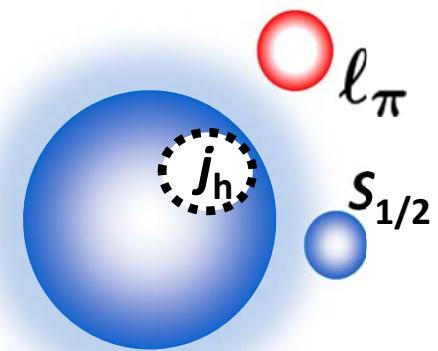
Final:

- (1) neutron pick-up from  $s_{1/2}$  orbit
- (2) neutron pick-up  $j_h$  orbit from other than  $s_{1/2}$

*“No Residual Interaction”*



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$|(\ell_\pi \otimes 0^+)\rangle$

$|(\ell_\pi \otimes [s_{1/2} \otimes j_h^{-1}]_J)_f\rangle$

- Realistic neutron configurations for the target and the daughter nucleus: Exp. Data

## Even target: $^{122}\text{Sn}$ ( $0^+$ )

### Excited level of $^{121}\text{Sn}$

Exp. Data:  $^{122}\text{Sn}(\text{d},\text{t})^{121}\text{Sn}$

E. J. Schneid et al., Phys. Rev. 156 (1967) 1316

Neutron hole orbit $j_h$	Ex [MeV]
3s1/2	0.06
2d3/2	0.00
2d5/2	1.11
	1.37
1g7/2	0.90
1h11/2	0.05



- ✓ Many excited levels
- ✓ Large excitation energies (Ex)

➡ **Pionic atom formation spectra:**  
Expected to be  
Complicated and broad spectra

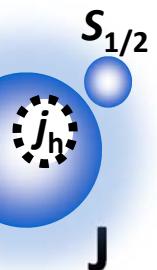
## Odd target: $^{117}\text{Sn}$ ( $1/2^+$ )

### Excited level of $^{116}\text{Sn}$

Exp. Data:  $^{117}\text{Sn}(\text{d},\text{t})^{116}\text{Sn}$ ,

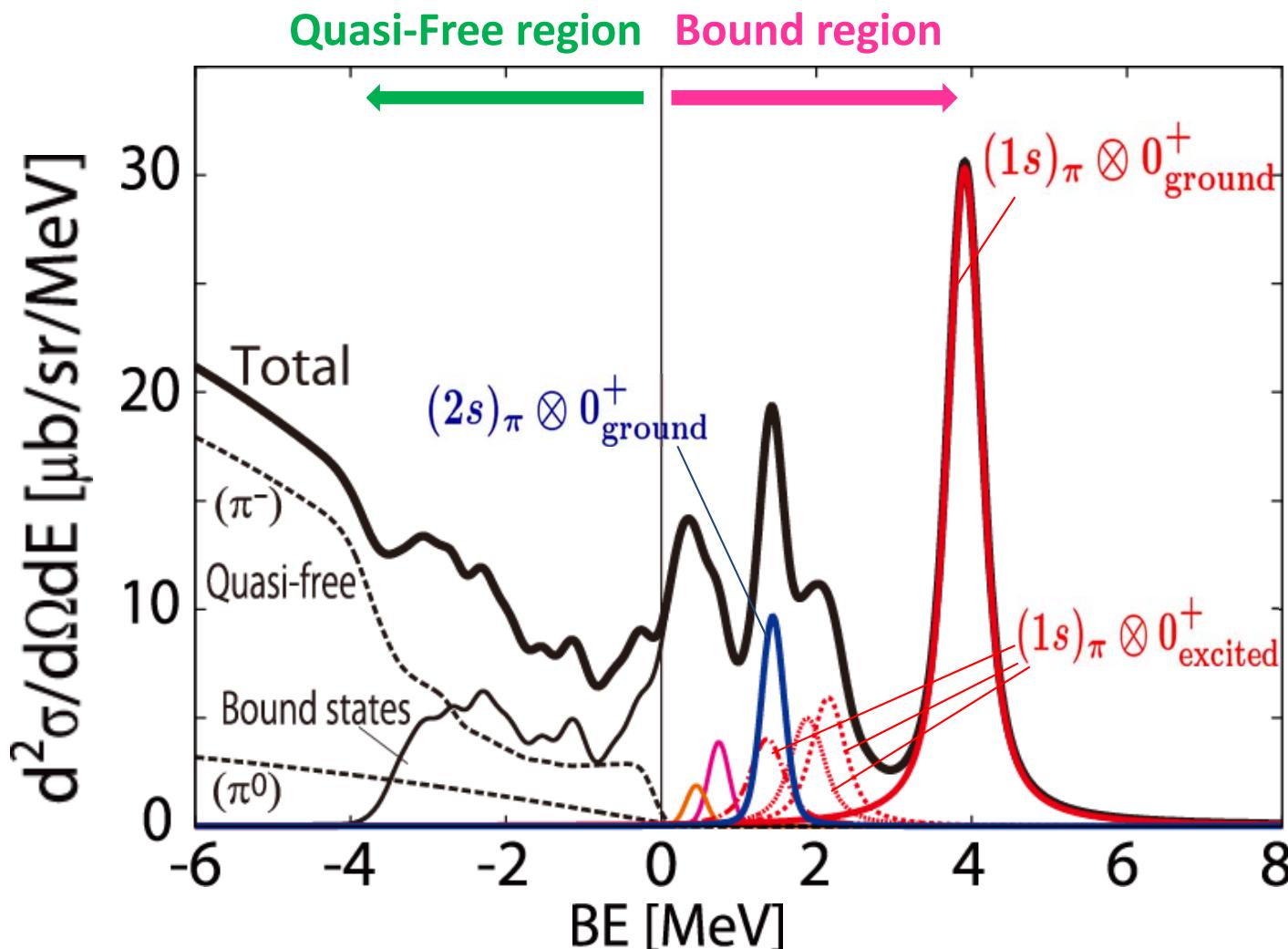
J. M. Schippers et al., NPA510(1990)70

$J^\pi$	Neutron hole orbit $j_h$	Ex [MeV]
0+	3s1/2	0.00 1.76 2.03 2.55
1+	2d3/2	2.59 2.96
2+	2d3/2 and 2d5/2	1.29 2.23 3.23 3.37 3.47 3.59 3.77 3.95
3+	2d5/2 and 1g7/2	3.00 3.42 3.71 3.18
4+	1g7/2	2.39 2.53 2.80 3.05 3.10
5-	1h11/2	2.37
6-	1h11/2	2.77



# (d, $^3$ He) spectra: Odd target

- $^{117}\text{Sn}(\text{d},^3\text{He})$  spectra at 0 degrees



Neutron wave function:  
H. Koura *et al.*, NPA671(00)96

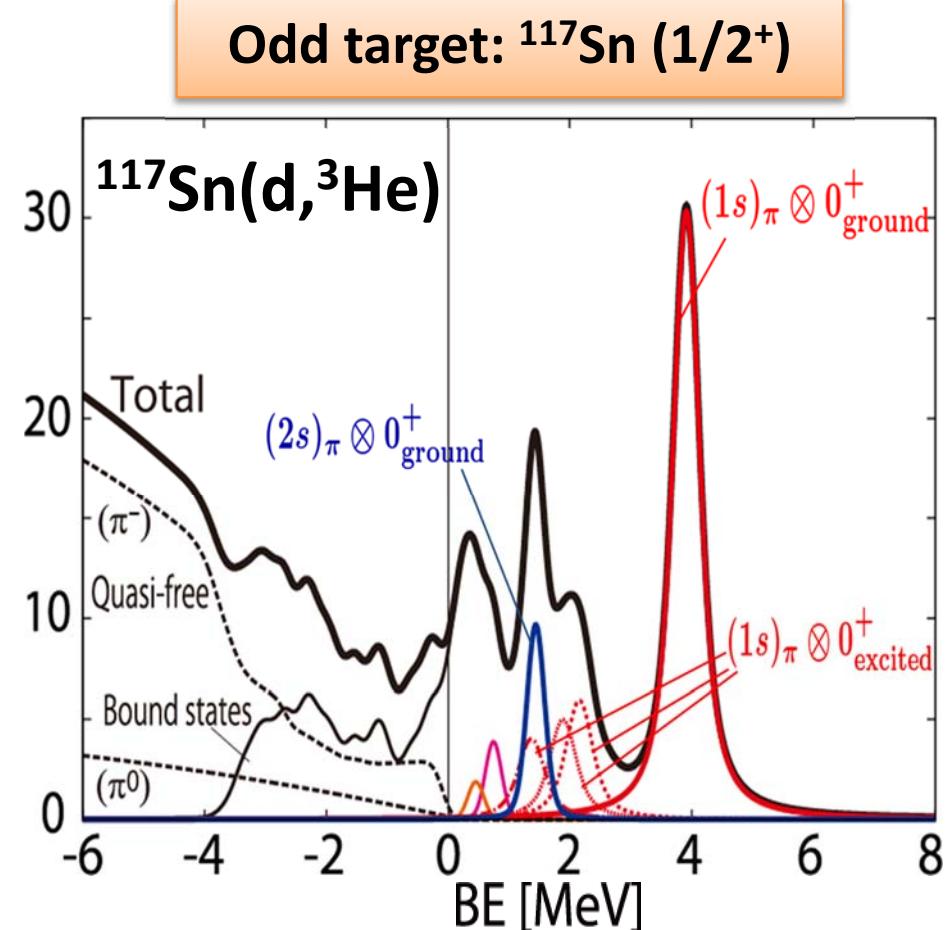
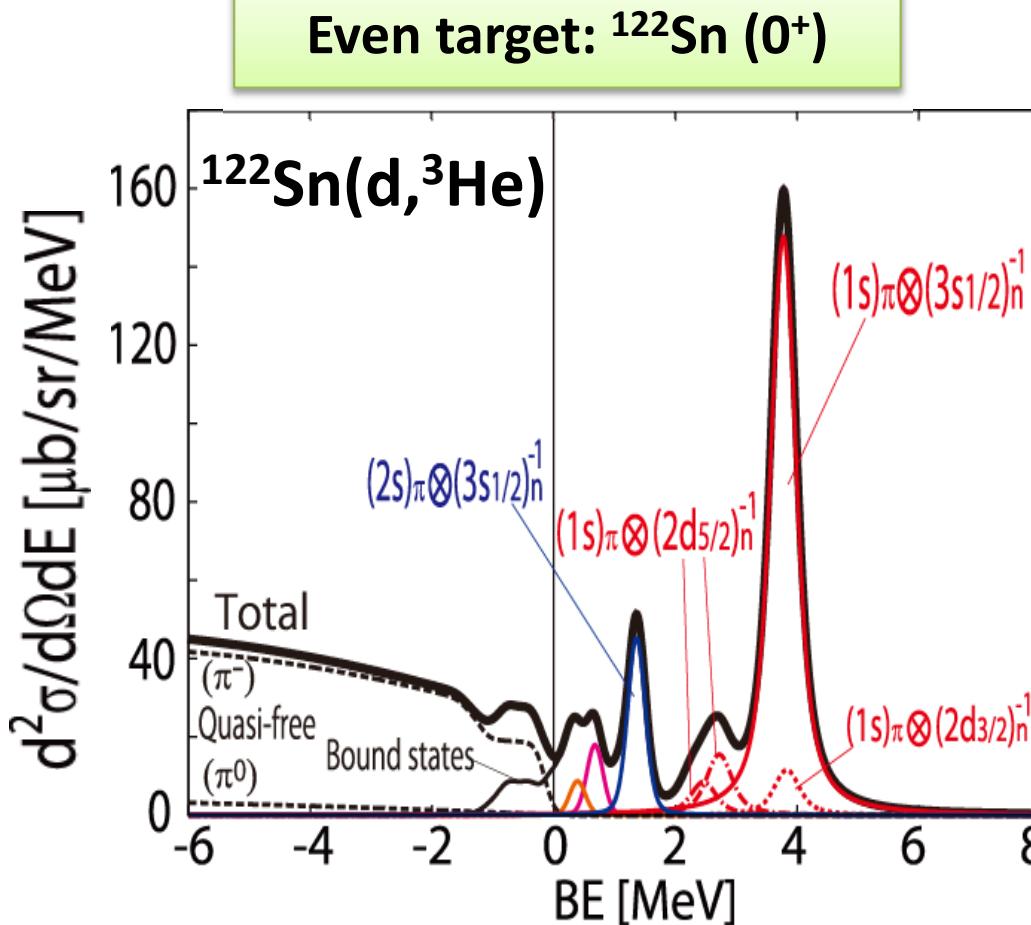
Energy resolution  
 $\Delta E = 300\text{keV}$

Dominant  
Subcomponent:  
 $[(n\ell)_\pi \otimes J^P]$

- We can see clear peak structure of  $[(1s)_\pi \otimes ^{116}\text{Sn}(0^+)]$ .
  - No residual interaction effect

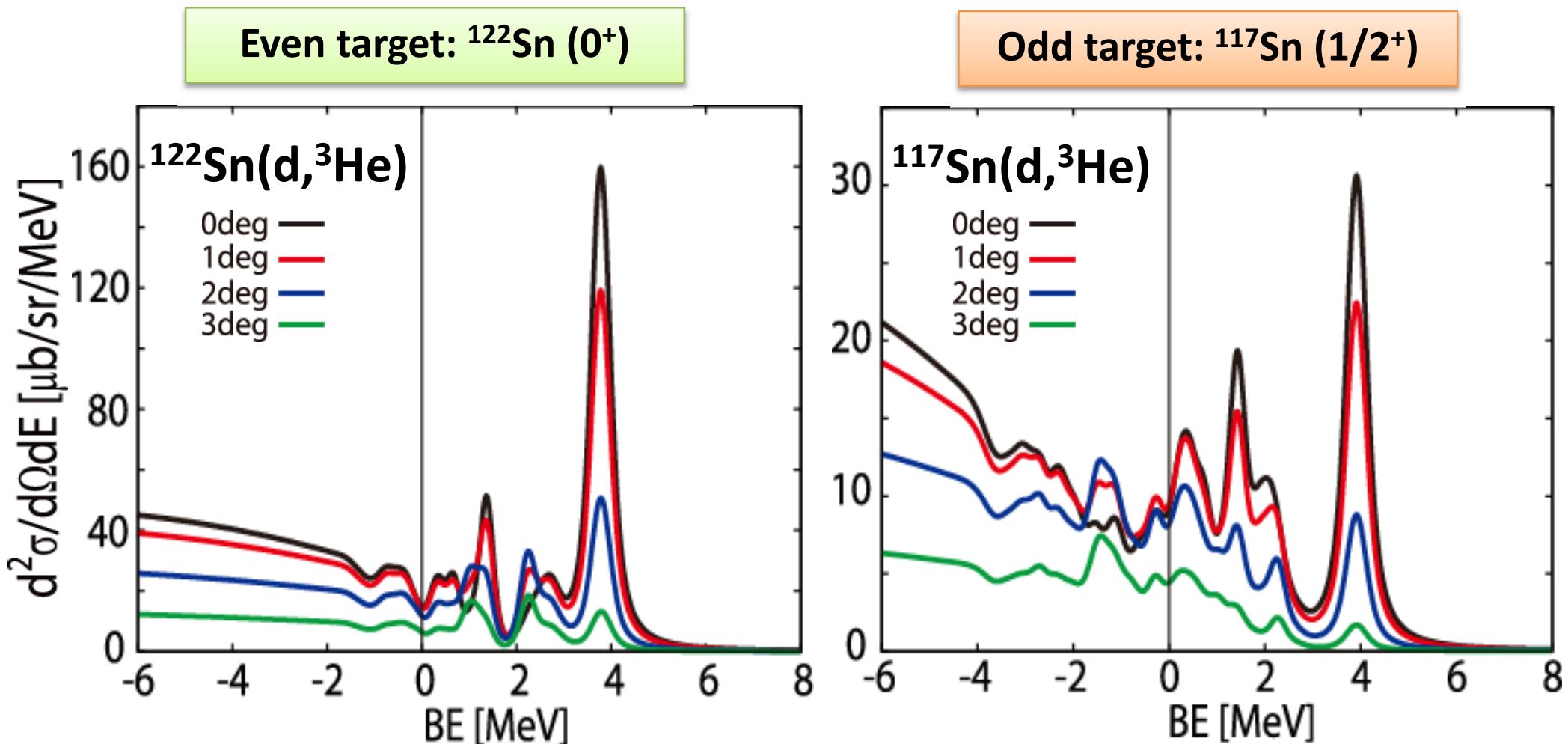
# (d, $^3$ He) spectra: Even vs. Odd target

0 degrees



- Pionic 1s state formation with neutron s-hole state is large in both spectra.
- Bound pionic state formation spectrum in  $^{117}\text{Sn}(d,^3\text{He})$  spread over wider energy range.
- Absolute value of cross section in  $^{117}\text{Sn}(d,^3\text{He})$  is smaller.

# (d, $^3$ He) spectra at Finite angles

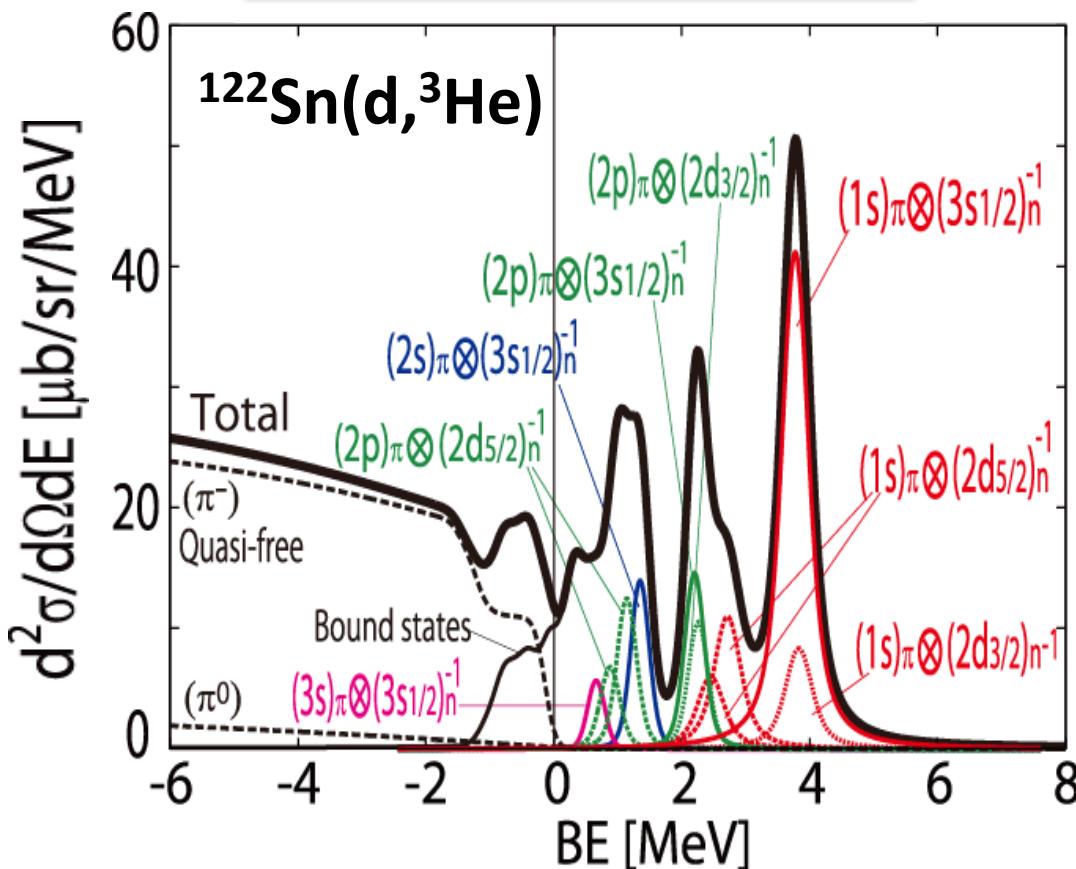


- Both spectra have strong angular dependence.
  - Sharpe structure
  - Overall strength

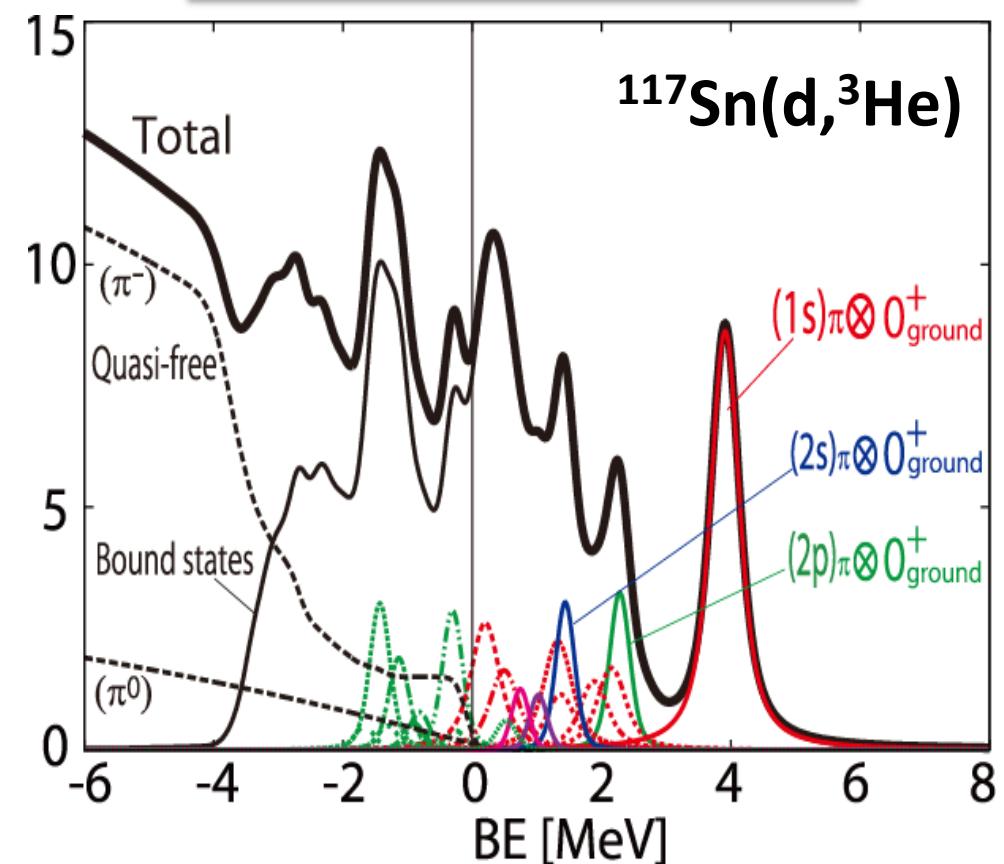
# (d,<sup>3</sup>He) spectra: Even vs. Odd target

2 degrees

Even target: <sup>122</sup>Sn (0<sup>+</sup>)



Odd target: <sup>117</sup>Sn (1/2<sup>+</sup>)

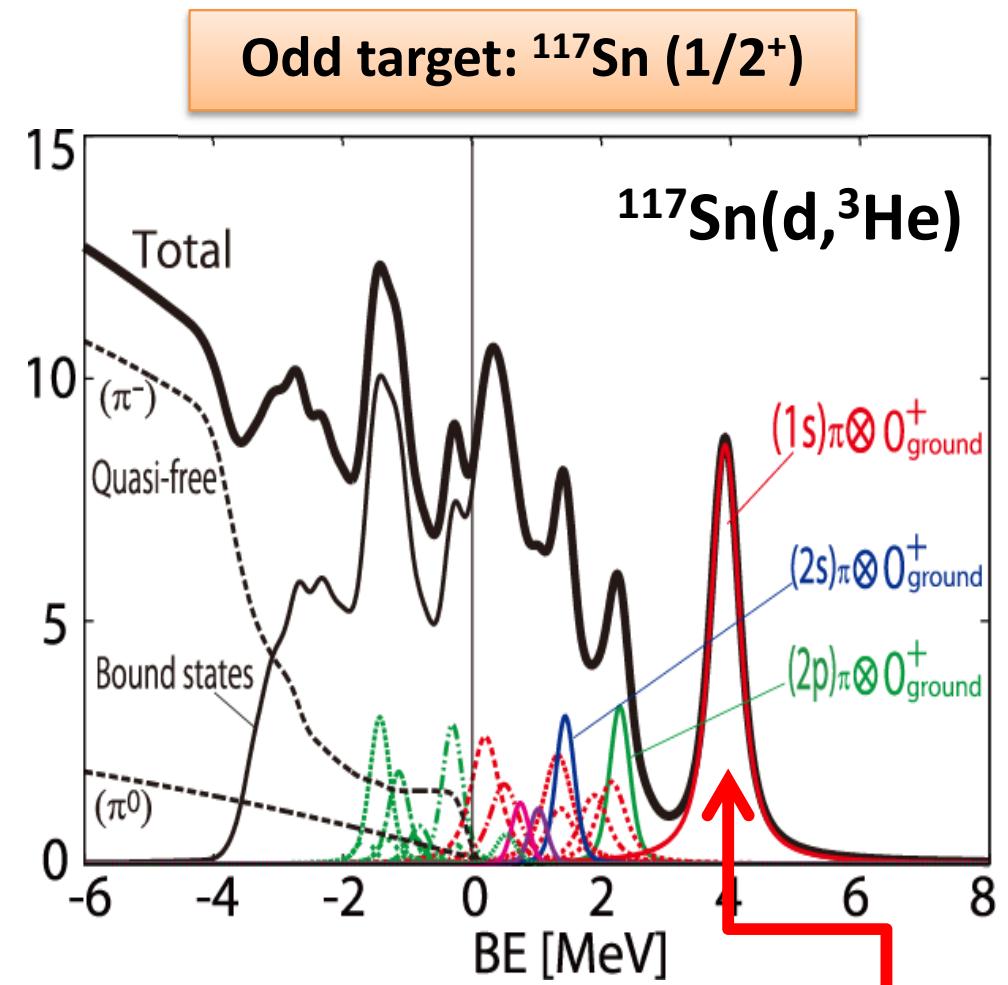
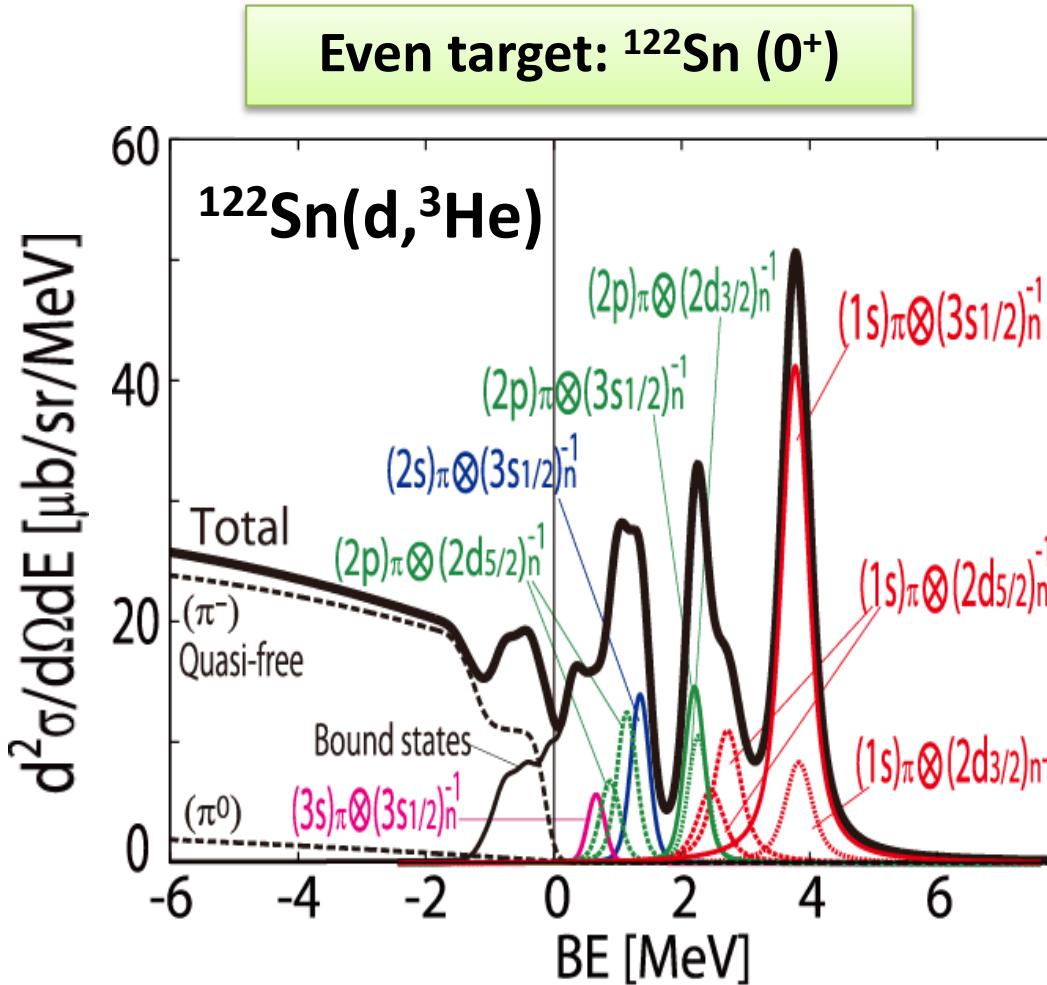


Even target:

Simultaneous observation of several pionic **1s**, **2s** and **2p** states at forward and finite angles

# (d, $^3$ He) spectra: Even vs. Odd target

2 degrees



Odd target:

Isolated peak and single subcomponent (No residual interaction effect)

→ This pionic 1s state is preferable for extracting accurate information on pion properties

# Experimental studies: piAF project

K. Itahashi *et al.*,  
RIBF-027, RIBF-054

## Pionic Atom Spectroscopy @RIBF/RIKEN

- ✓ Higher statistics, better resolution
- ✓ Angular dependence of spectra

By T. Nishi-san's talk

- \* Pilot Experiment in October 2010 :  $^{122}\text{Sn}(\text{d},^3\text{He})$  reaction
- \* Main Experiment in June 2014 :  $^{122}\text{Sn}$ ,  $^{117}\text{Sn}$  targets



K. Itahashi-san's slide

## Pionic Atom Spectroscopy @RNCP

- ✓ Different reaction from ( $d, {}^3He$ ) reaction
- ✓ Different angle at 0 deg. and 4.5 deg.
- ✓ Higher statistics, better resolution

### Future plan

- ✓ Unstable nuclear targets
- ✓ Open angle reaction ...

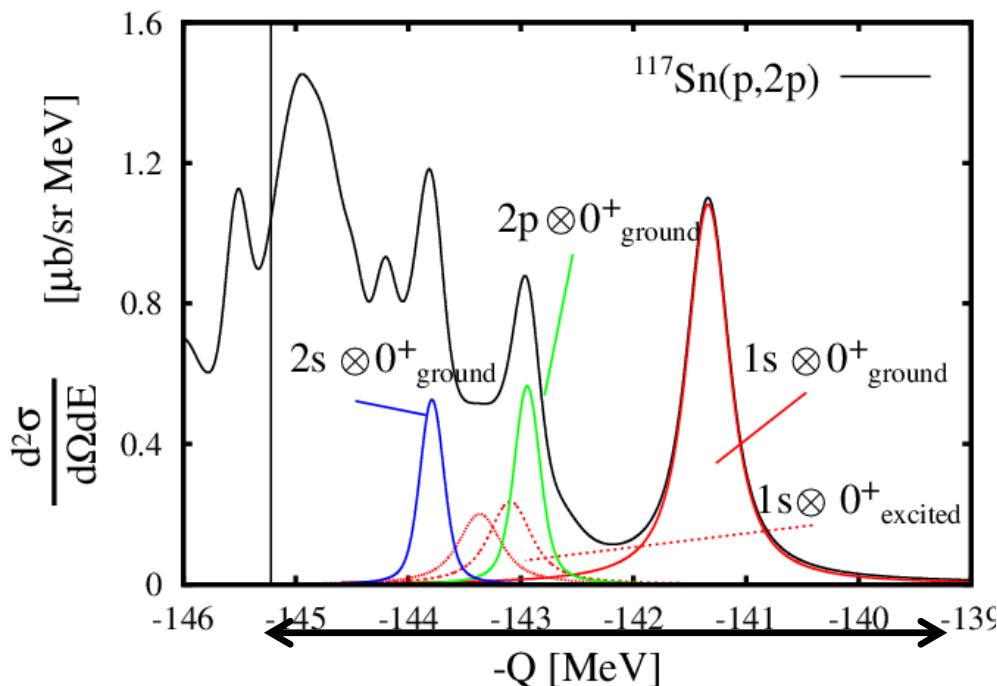
**By Y. Watanabe-san's talk**

Theory study: J. Yamagata-Sekihara, N. Ikeda, S. Hirenzaki

# (p,2p) spectra vs. (d,<sup>3</sup>He) spectra: Odd target

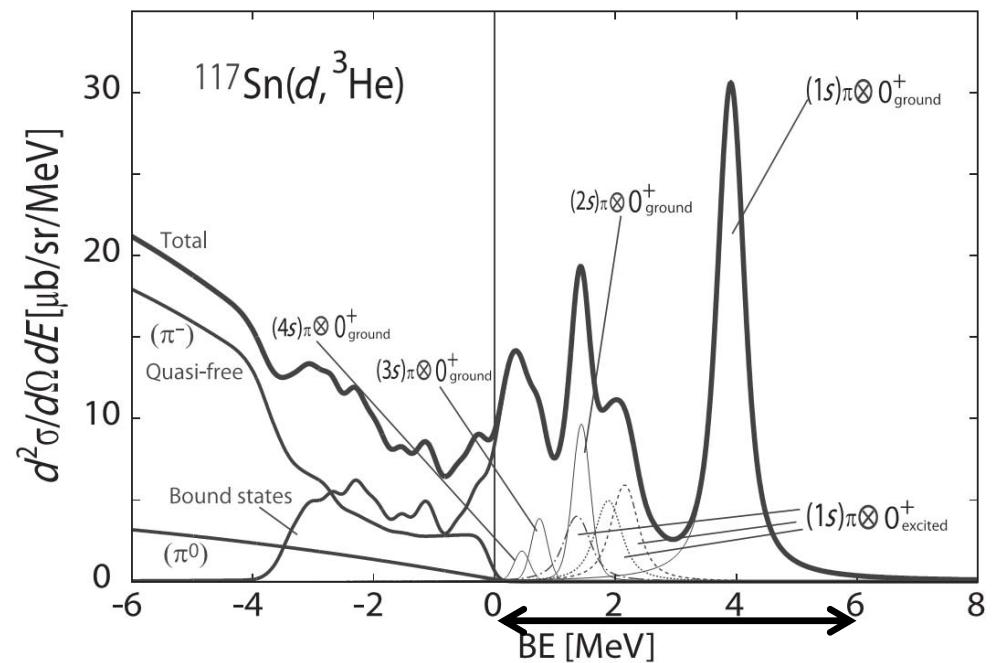
<sup>117</sup>Sn(p, 2p)@ $T_p = 392$  MeV

Calculated by J. Yamagata-Sekihara,  
N. Ikeda, S. Hirenzaki



<sup>117</sup>Sn(d, <sup>3</sup>He)@ $T_d = 500$  MeV

N. Ikeda, J. Yamagata-Sekihara, H. Nagahiro,  
S. Hirenzaki, PTEP2013(13)06D01



(p,2p) reaction:

- Subcomponent of 2p state is large due to momentum transfer
- Absolute value is smaller

# Updated theoretical spectra by Green's Function Method

## Future Experiments @RIBF/RIKEN and RCNP

Recent developments in experimental techniques

-> Possibility of obtaining data with significantly better accuracy

- ✓ Better Energy Resolution
- ✓ Precise Shapes of Spectrum
  - Various nuclear targets,
  - Finite angles reactions, ...



Improvements in theoretical calculation for the ( $d, {}^3He$ ) reactions  
for pionic atom formation

- Green's Function Method

# Formulation: Green's Function Method

## ➤ Formation cross section

O. Morimatsu, K. Yazaki, NPA435(85)727, NPA483(88)493

$$\left( \frac{d^2\sigma}{dE_{\text{He}} d\Omega_{\text{He}}} \right)_A^{\text{lab}} = \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_{\text{He}}} \right)_{\text{ele}}^{\text{lab}} \times -\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \sum_f \left[ \tau_f^\dagger G(E) \tau_f \times K \right]$$

- Elementary cross section  $\left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_{\text{He}}} \right)_{\text{ele}}^{\text{lab}}$

- Kinematical correction factor  $K$

- Green's function for  $\pi^-$  interacting with the nucleus

$$G(E, \vec{r}, \vec{r}') = \langle n^{-1} | \phi_\pi(\vec{r}) \frac{1}{E - H_\pi + i\varepsilon} \phi_\pi^\dagger(\vec{r}') | n^{-1} \rangle$$

- transition amplitude

$$\tau_f(\vec{r}) = \chi_f^*(\vec{r}) \xi_{1/2, m_s}^* \left[ Y_{\ell_\pi}^*(\hat{\vec{r}}) \otimes \psi_{j_n}(\vec{r}) \right]_{JM} \chi_i(\vec{r})$$

### Advantages:

- (i) We can include Bound and Quasi-free contributions simultaneously.
- (ii) We can include an infinite number of Bound State contributions.
- (iii) We do not assume Lorentz distribution as the shape of peak structure.

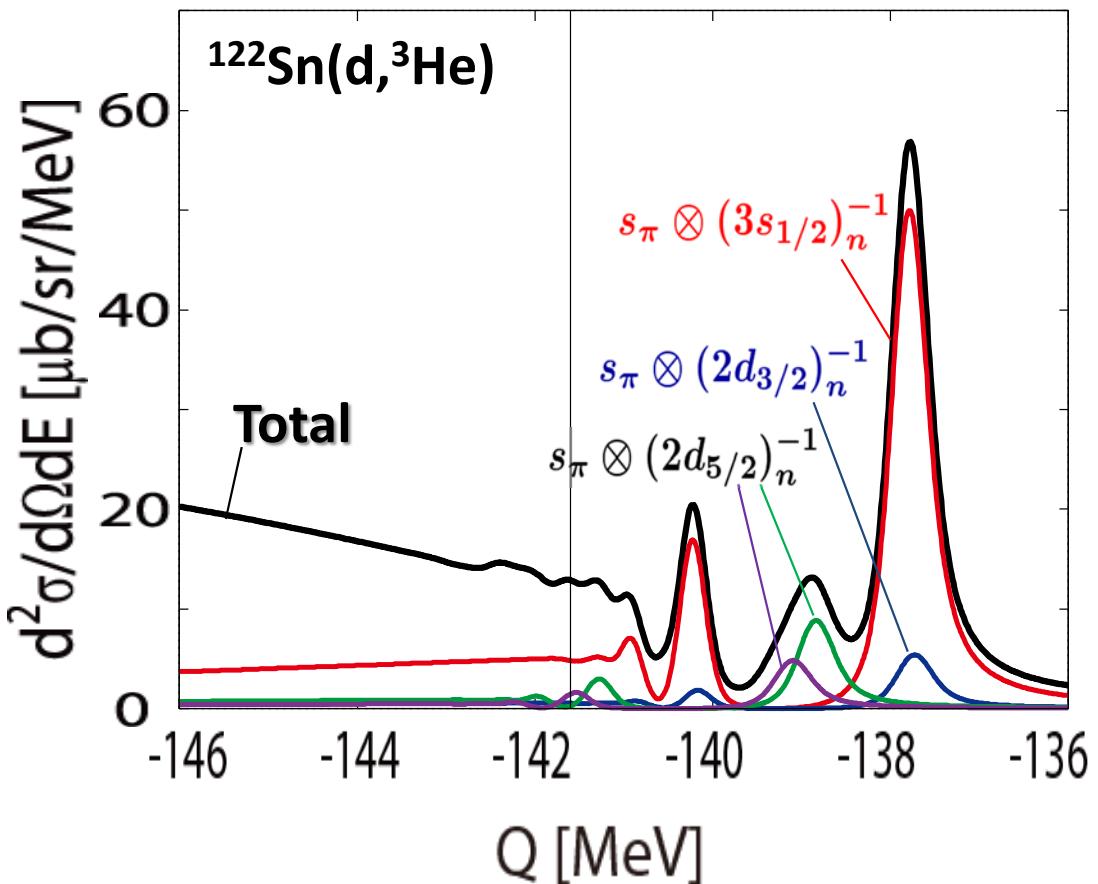
# Numerical results: Green vs. Neff

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

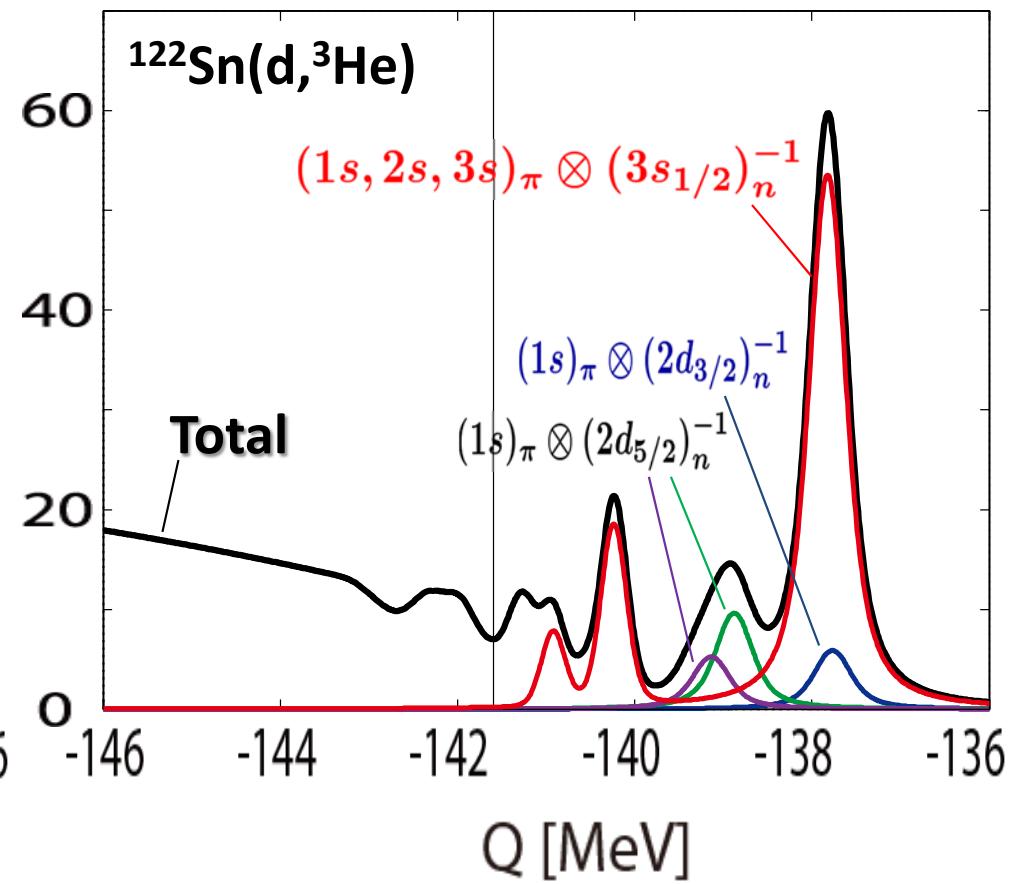
➤  $^{122}\text{Sn}(\text{d}, ^3\text{He})$  spectra at 0 degrees

Neutron wave function:  
Harmonic Oscillator

Green



Neff



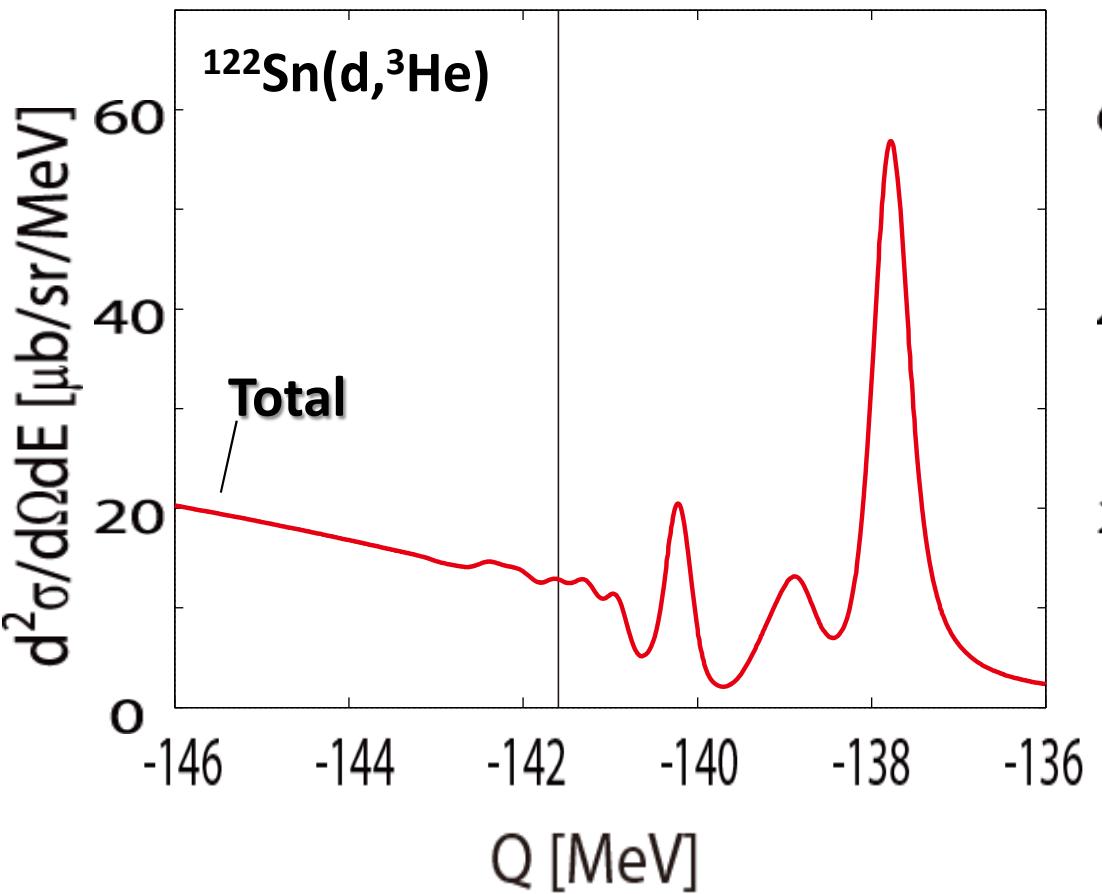
Both Methods seem to provide the very similar spectra.

# Numerical results: Green vs. Neff

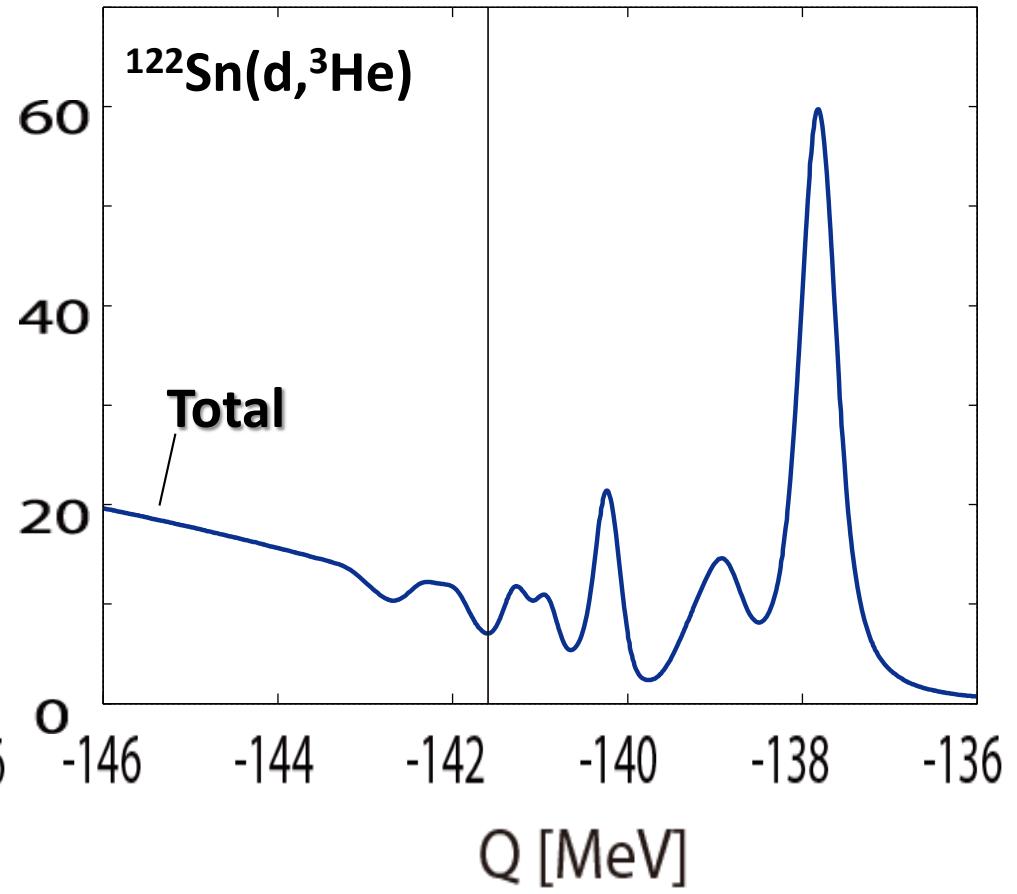
➤  $^{122}\text{Sn}(\text{d},^3\text{He})$  spectra at 0 degrees

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

Green



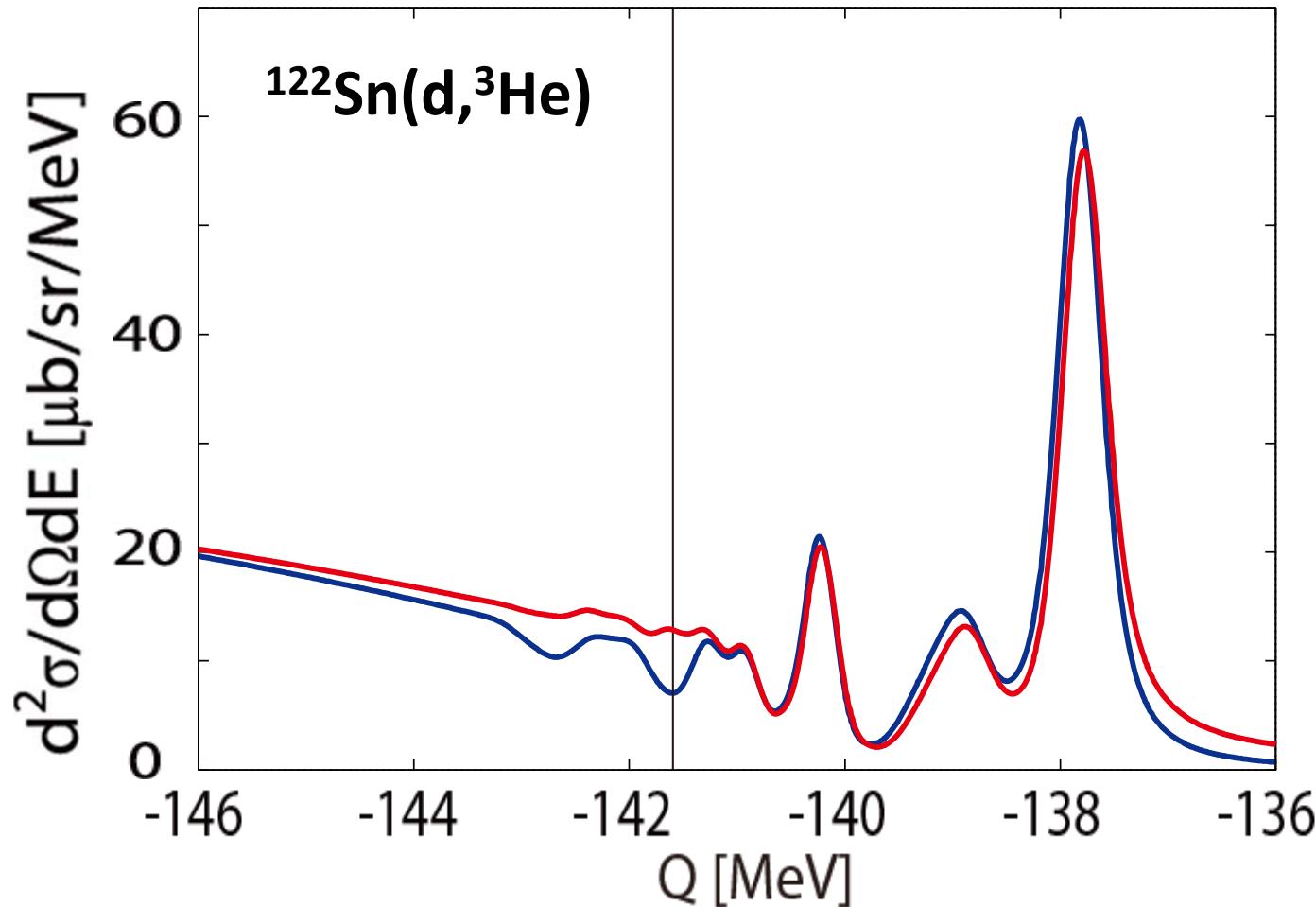
Neff



# Numerical results: Green vs. Neff

►  $^{122}\text{Sn}(\text{d},^3\text{He})$  spectra at 0 degrees

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



## Differences between both spectra

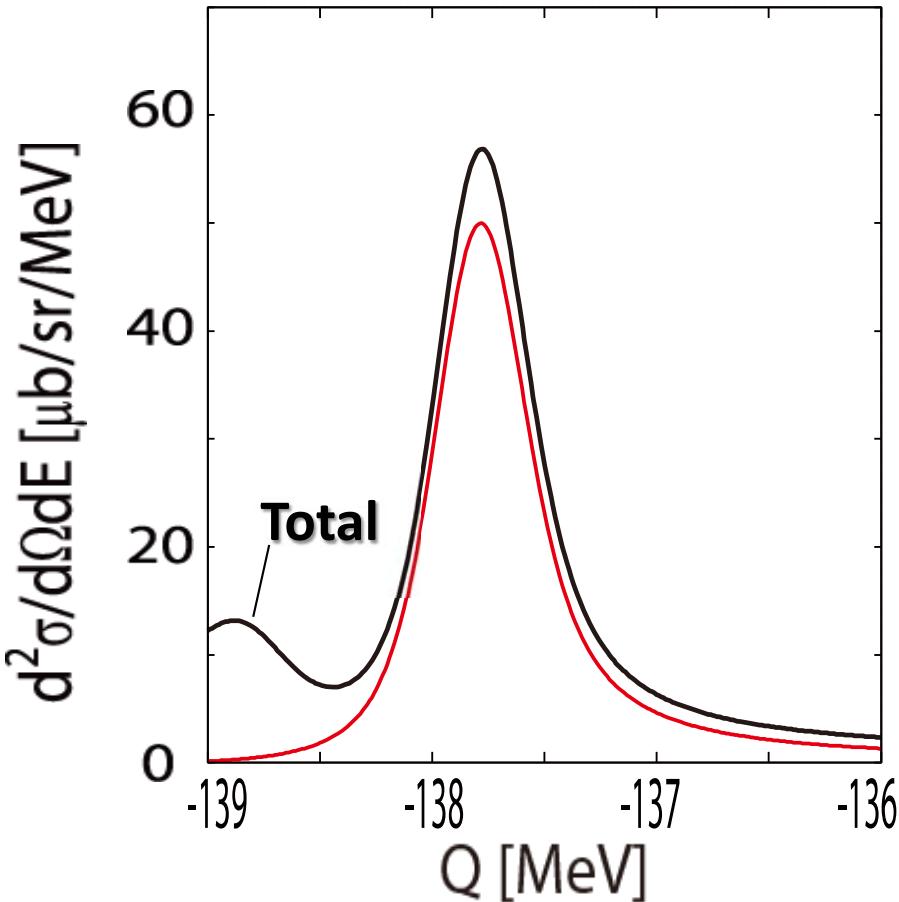
- (1) Near threshold
- (2) Height and position of peak
- (3) Tail of peak structure

# Numerical results: Green vs. Neff

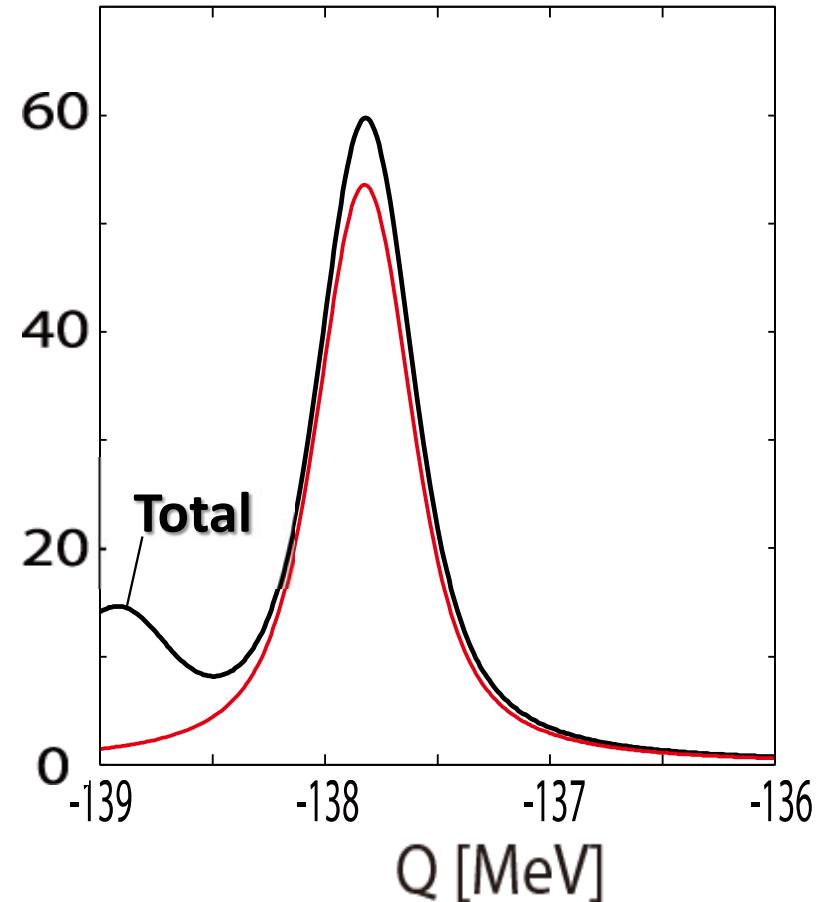
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We focus on subcomponent of  $(1s)_\pi \otimes (3s_{1/2})_n^{-1}$

Green



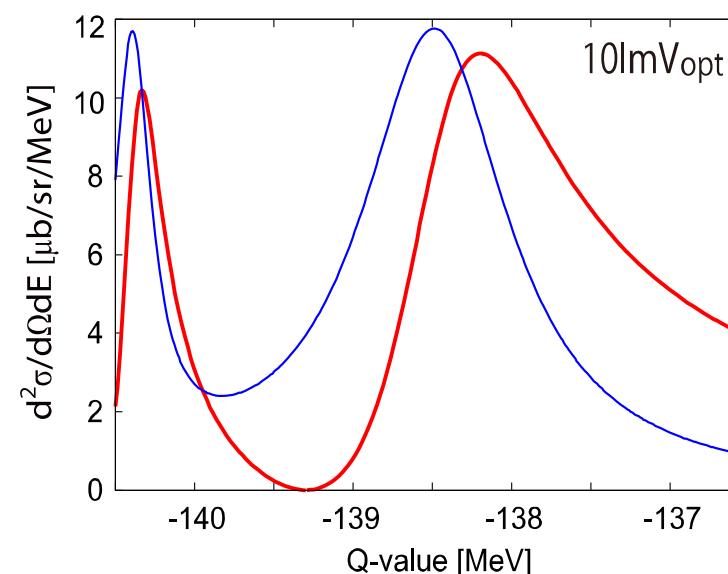
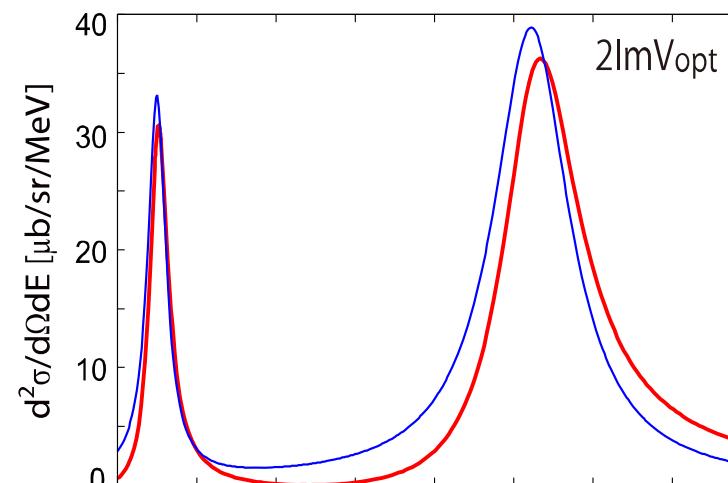
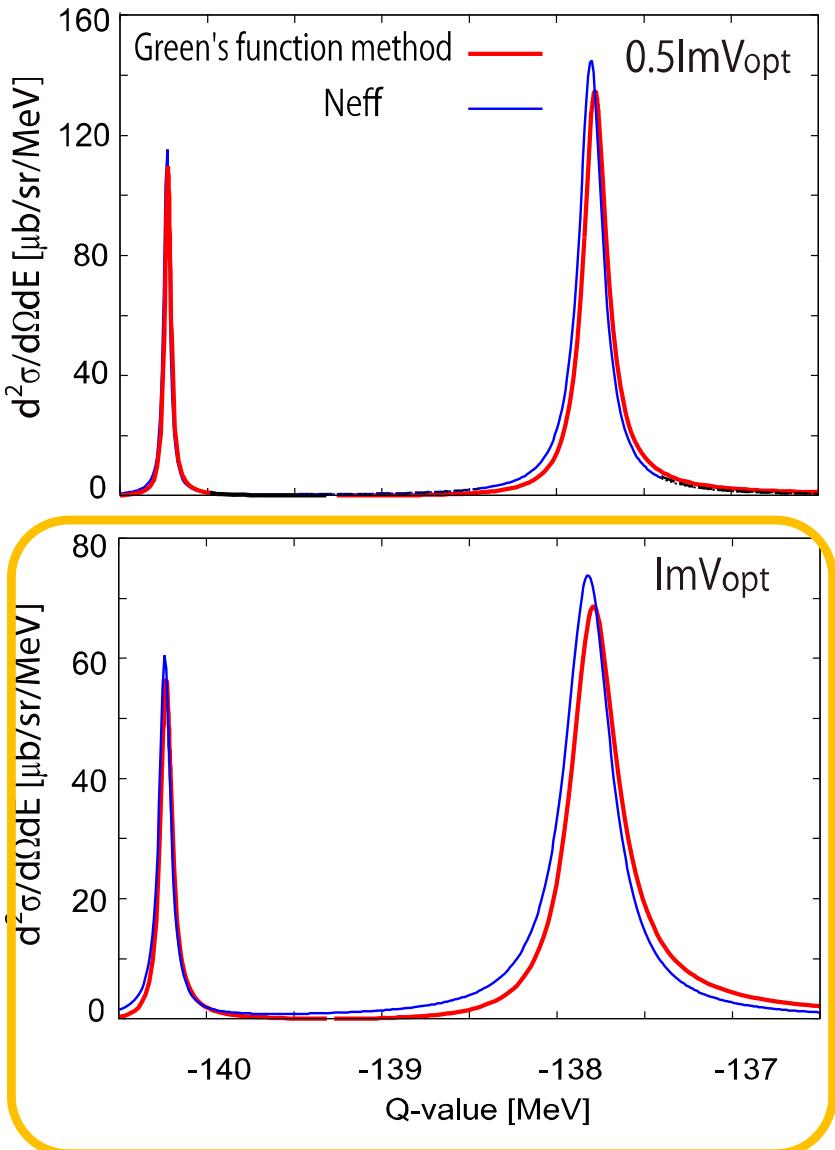
Neff



Different behavior of peak structure (Green: Asymmetric, Neff: Symmetric)

→ Precise theoretical spectrum is important to deduce pion properties in nuclei  
from future high resolution experiment

# Numerical results: Green vs. Neff



Large  $\text{Im}V_{\text{opt}}$   
→ peak position is shift

Discrepancy Green vs. Neff  
 $\text{Im}V_{\text{opt}}$ : around 10 keV  
10  $\text{Im}V_{\text{opt}}$  : Very large

Errors of B.E. >20 keV: Neff is a good method

- **$^{122}\text{Sn}(\text{d},^3\text{He})$  spectra at finite angles**
  - ✓ Different subcomponents dominate at different angles.  
 $(1s)_\pi$ ,  $(2s)_\pi$ : 0 degrees,  $(2p)_\pi$ : 2 degrees
  - Simultaneous observation of various states in one nuclide (Good feature)
- **$^{117}\text{Sn}(\text{d},^3\text{He})$  spectra: Odd-neutron nuclear target**
  - ✓ We can see clear peak structure of  $[(1s)_\pi \otimes ^{116}\text{Sn}(0^+)]$ .  
- No residual interaction effect
  - More precise information than that of even target case can be expected.
- **Updated Theoretical Calculation**
  - $^{122}\text{Sn}(\text{d},^3\text{He})$  spectra calculated by Green's Function Method
    - ✓ We get more precise formation spectrum theoretically which is suited to be compared with high resolution future experimental data.
- **New reaction ( $\text{p},2\text{p}$ ) ongoing**

By comparing theory with new experimental data,  
**we expect to know pion properties at various densities.**



# Formulation: Effective Nuclear Density $\rho_e$

Where does pion probe?

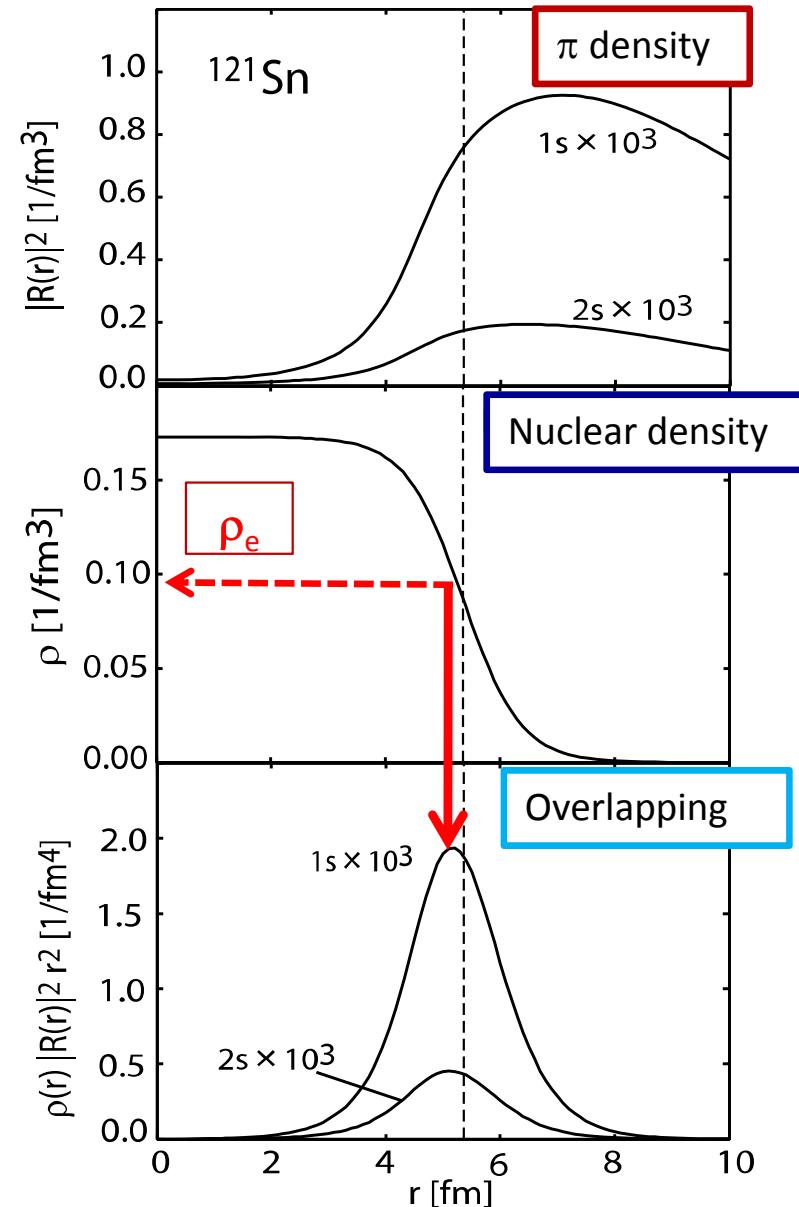
Effective nuclear density  $\rho_e$ :

Nuclear density at the radial coordinate  $r_e$ ,  
where the overlapping density has the maximum  
value.

Overlapping density:

$$\frac{\rho(r)}{N} \frac{|R_{n\ell}(r)|^2 r^2}{\pi}$$

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# Formulation: Structure

## ➤ Klein Gordon equation

$$[-\nabla^2 + \mu^2 + 2\mu V_{\text{opt}}(r)]\phi(\mathbf{r}) = [E - V_{\text{coul}}(r)]^2 \phi(\mathbf{r})$$

## ➤ Pion-Nucleus Optical Potential

$$2\mu V_{\text{opt}}(r) = \underbrace{-4\pi[b(r) + \varepsilon_2 B_0 \rho^2(r)]}_{\text{s-wave term}} + \underbrace{4\pi \nabla \cdot [c(r) + \varepsilon_2^{-1} C_0 \rho^2(r)] L(r) \nabla}_{\text{p-wave term}}$$

$$b(r) = \varepsilon_1 \{ b_0 \rho(r) + \textcircled{b}_1 [\rho_n(r) - \rho_p(r)] \}$$

$$c(r) = \varepsilon_1^{-1} \{ c_0 \rho(r) + c_1 [\rho_n(r) - \rho_p(r)] \}$$

$$L(r) = \{1 + \frac{4}{3}\pi \lambda [c(r) + \varepsilon_2^{-1} C_0 \rho^2(r)]\}^{-1}$$

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