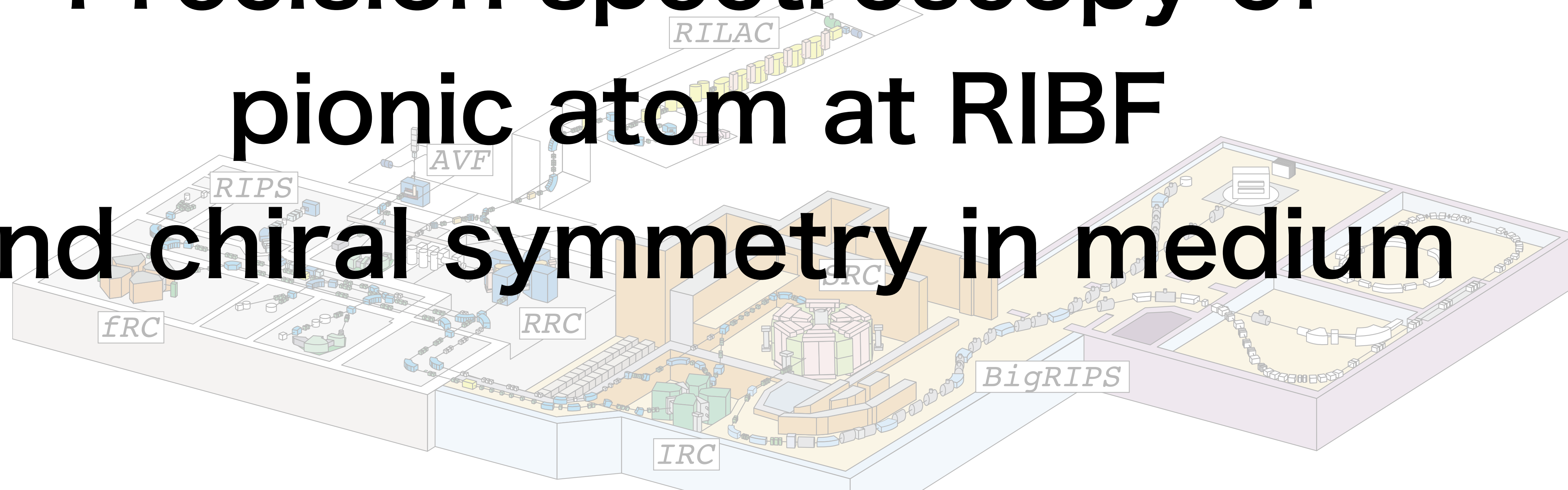


Precision spectroscopy of pionic atom at RIBF and chiral symmetry in medium



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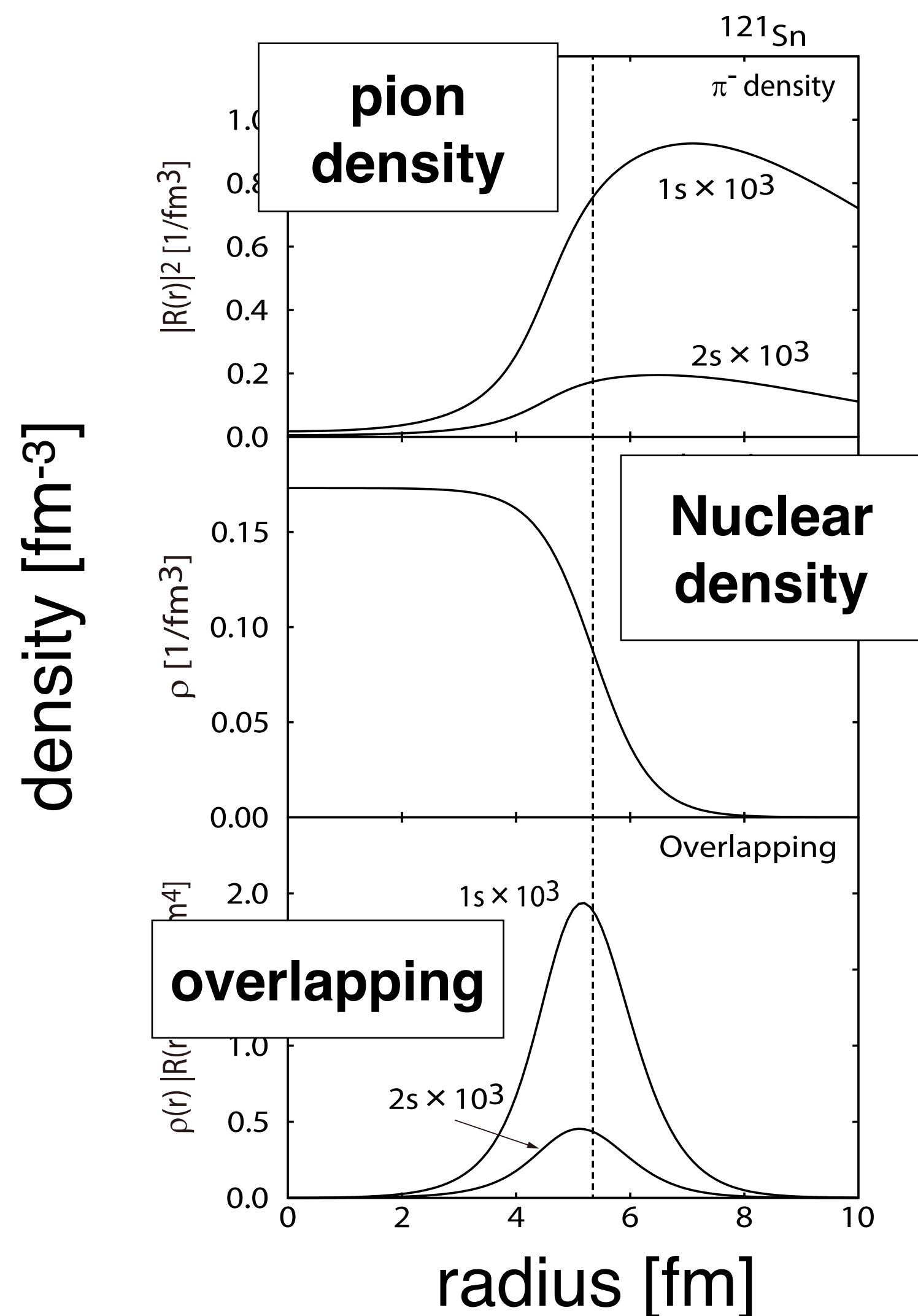
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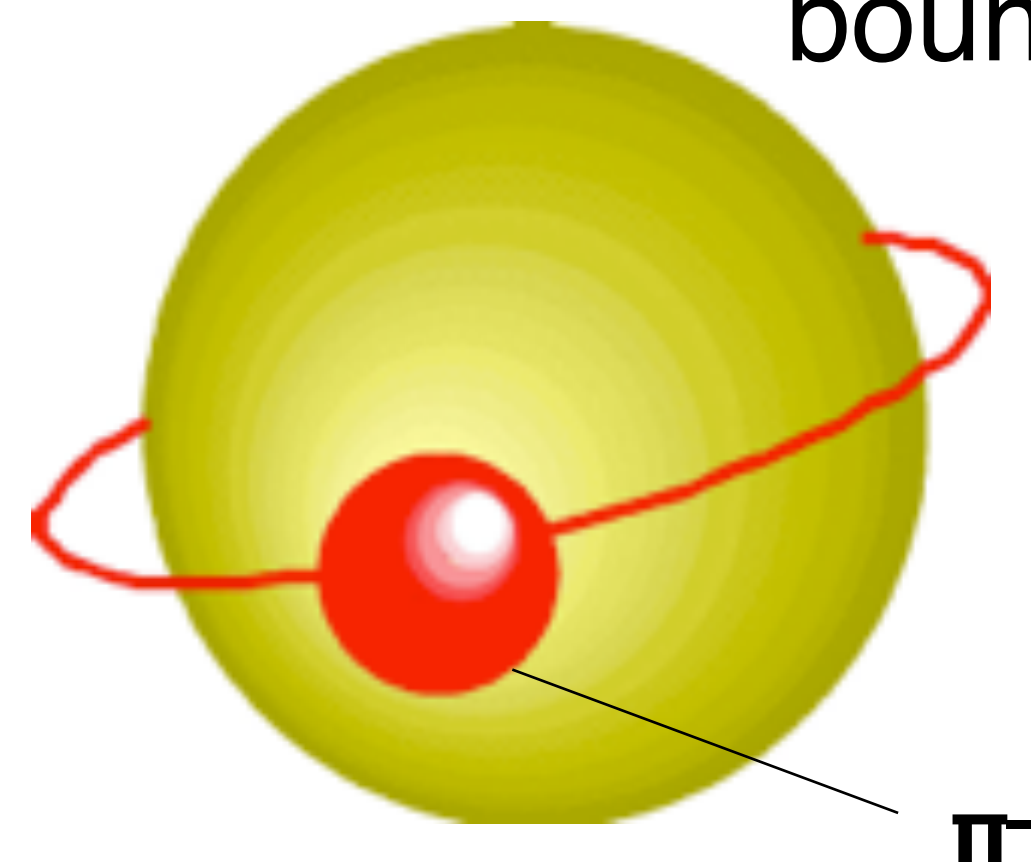
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Deeply bound pionic atoms



bound system of π^- & nucleus



very unique objects in terms of

- 1) Bound system of meson-nucleus
**One of the two “meson in nucleus”
 system established so far**
- 2) Quasi-stable state
**Quantitative evaluation of
 strong interaction in medium**

$B_{1s}^\pi / \Gamma_{1s}^\pi$ and chiral symmetry in medium

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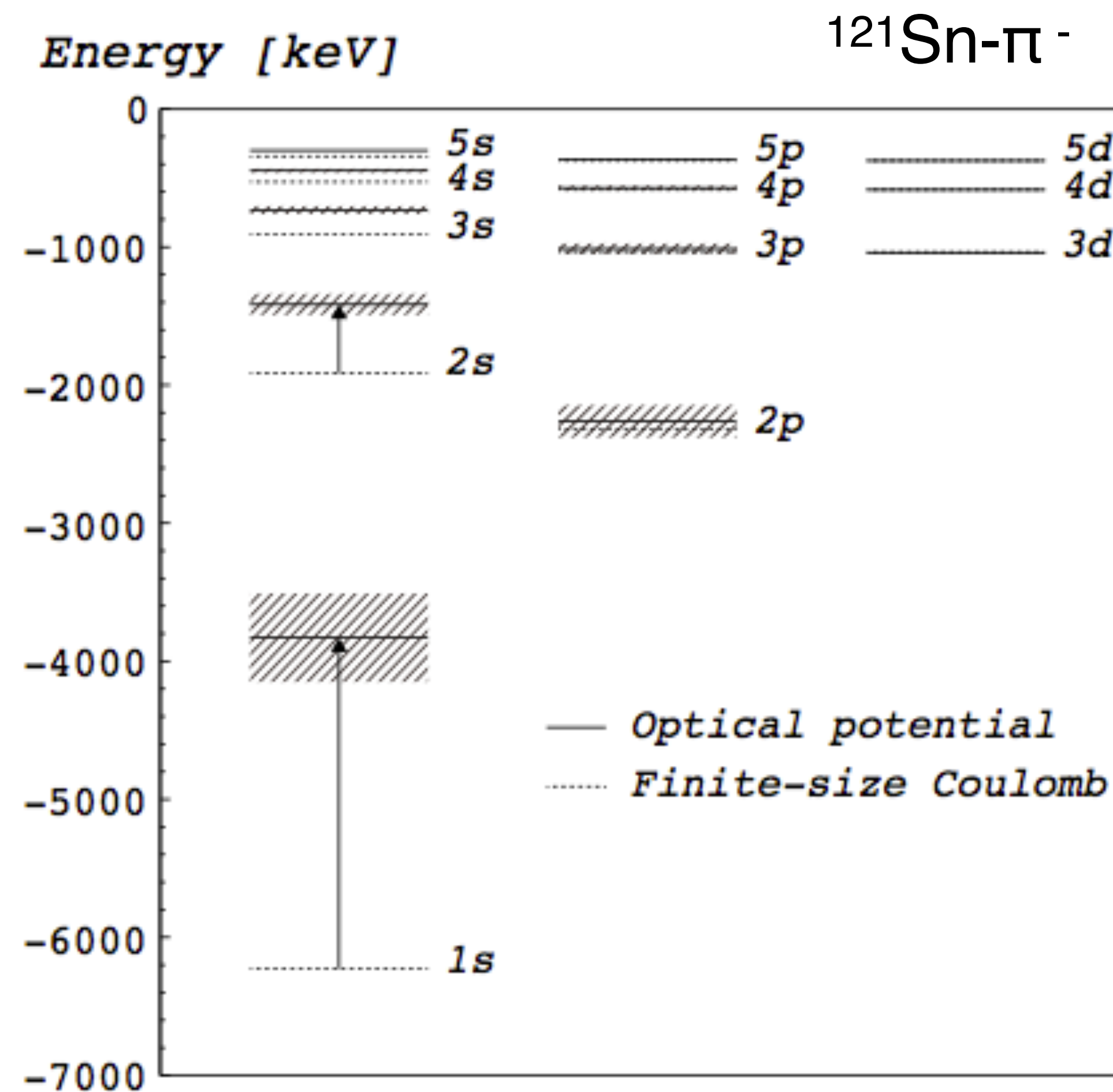
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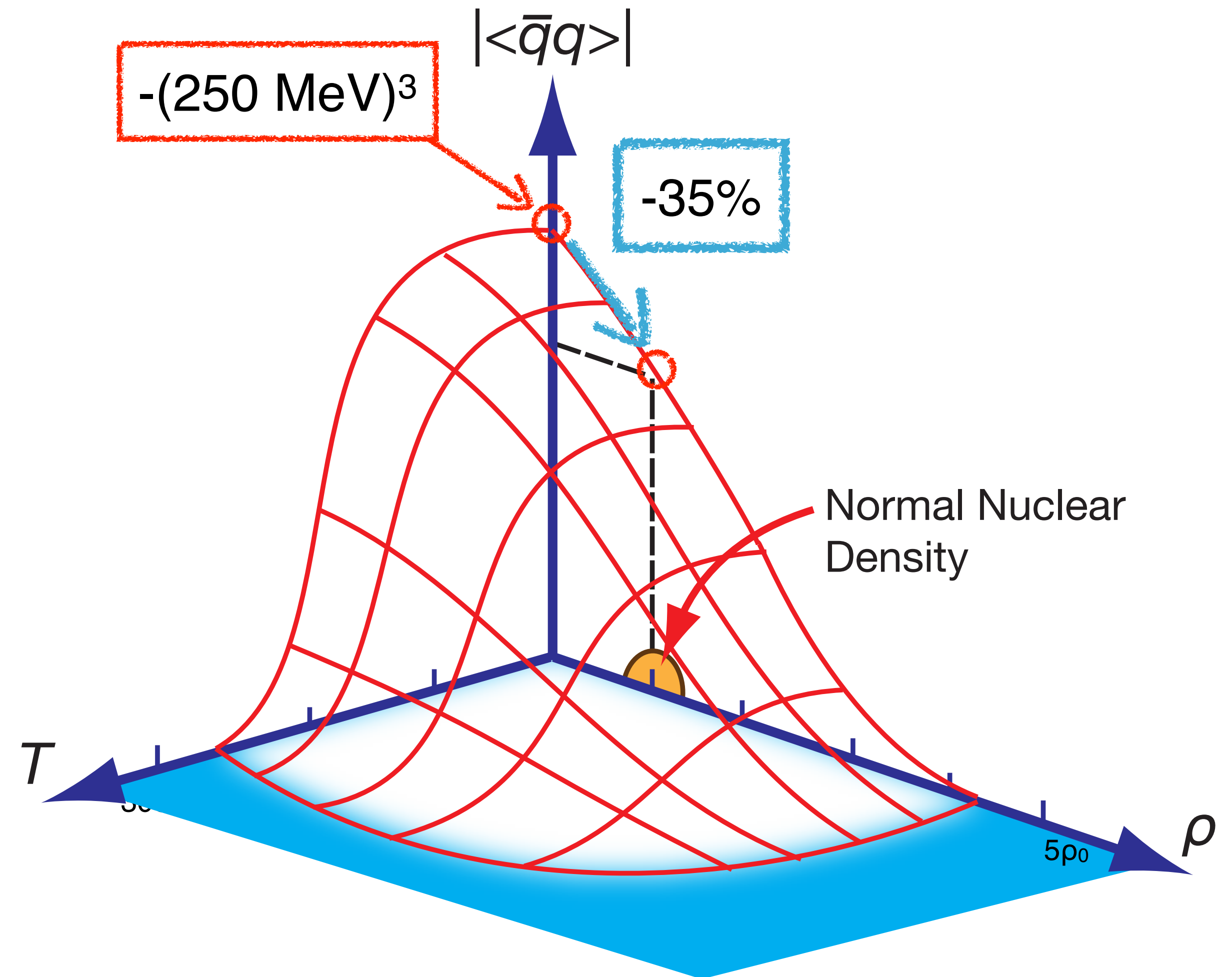
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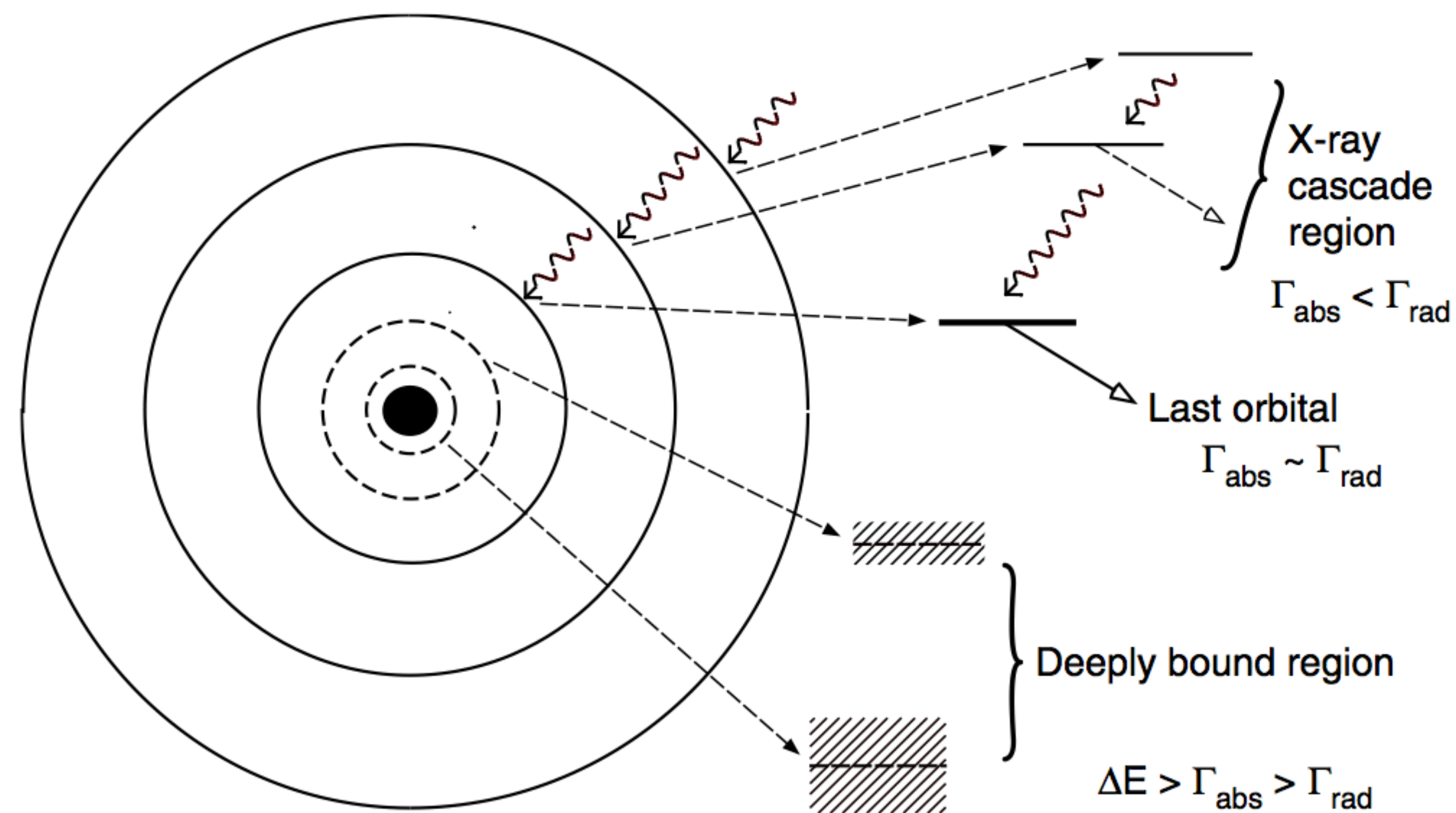
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Conventional production; π^- beam



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

x rays during atomic cascade
 \rightarrow higher orbits / light nuclei
 ($\sim 24\text{Mg}$ for 1s)

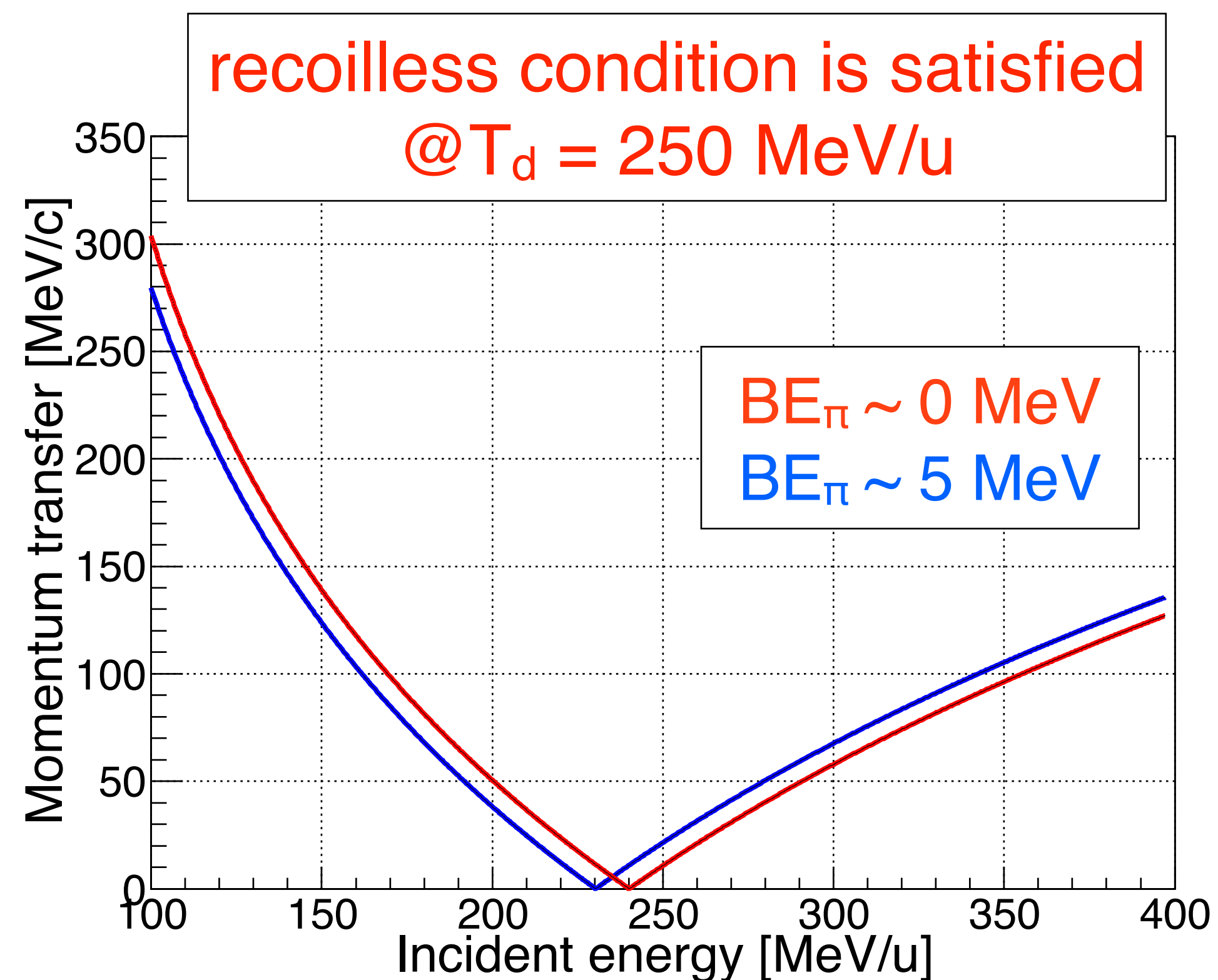
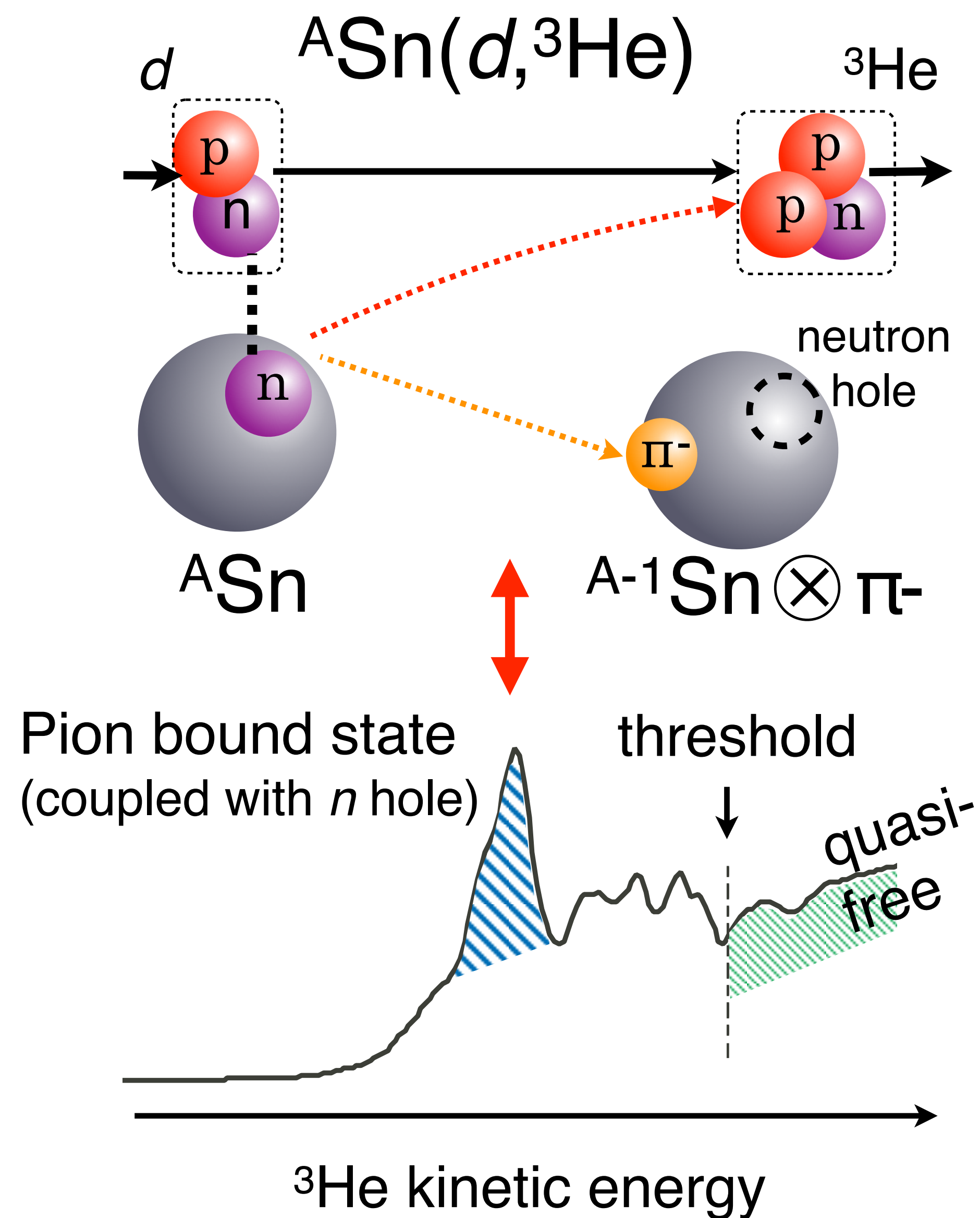
pionic 1s state in H
 $\rightarrow b_1$ in vacuum

H. Schröder *et al.*, Eur. Phys. J. C 21, 473 (2001).

$\Gamma_{\text{abs}} > \Gamma_{\text{rad}}$
 for deep orbit in heavy nuclei
 absorption is faster

This method can **NOT** produce “deeply-bound” pionic atom...

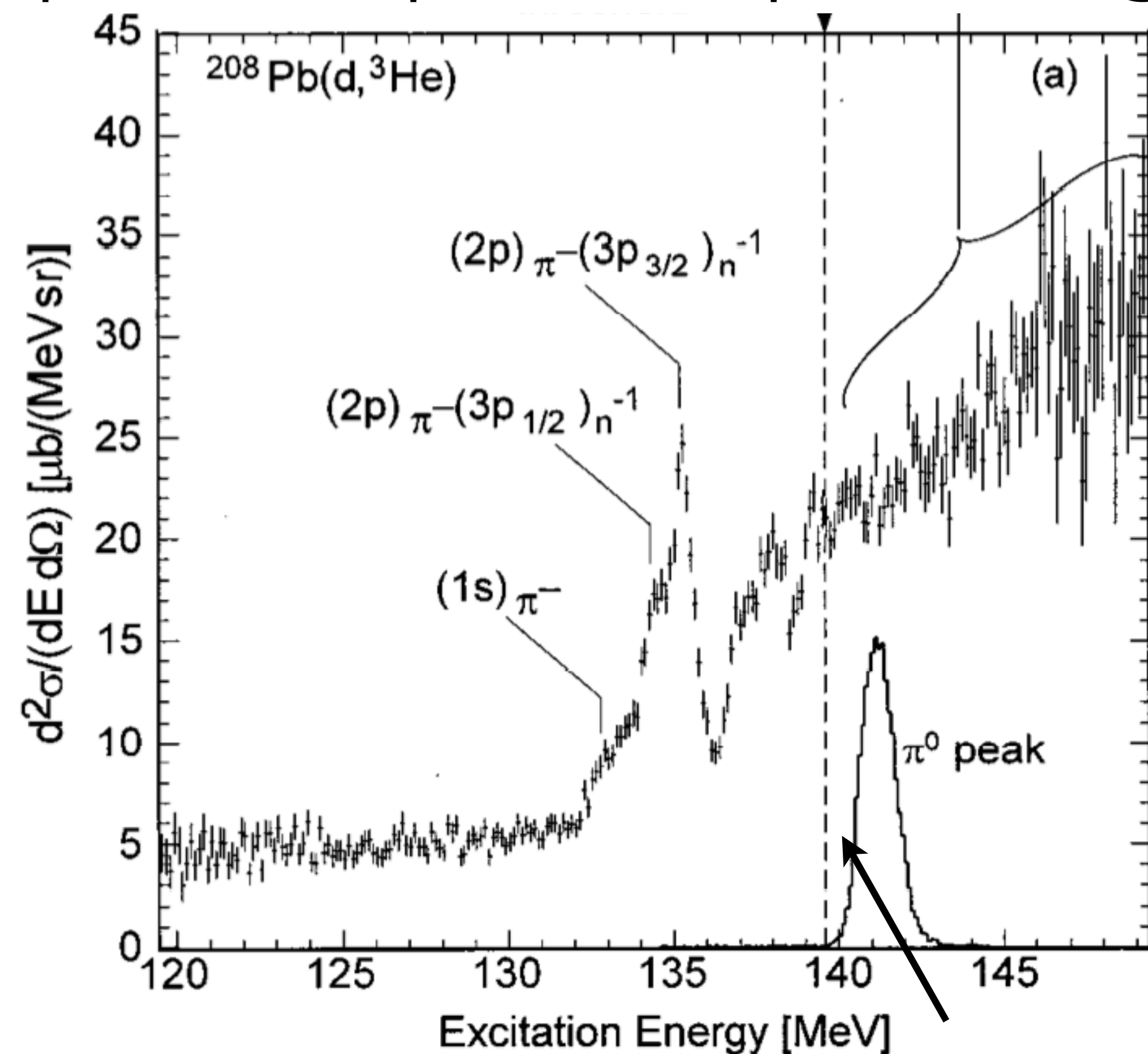
Direct production: $(d, {}^3\text{He})$ reaction



Recoilless \rightarrow angular momentum transfer = 0
 $(1s)_\pi \otimes (3s_{1/2})_n^{-1}$ etc... are relatively enhanced!

Prior research: Experiment at GSI

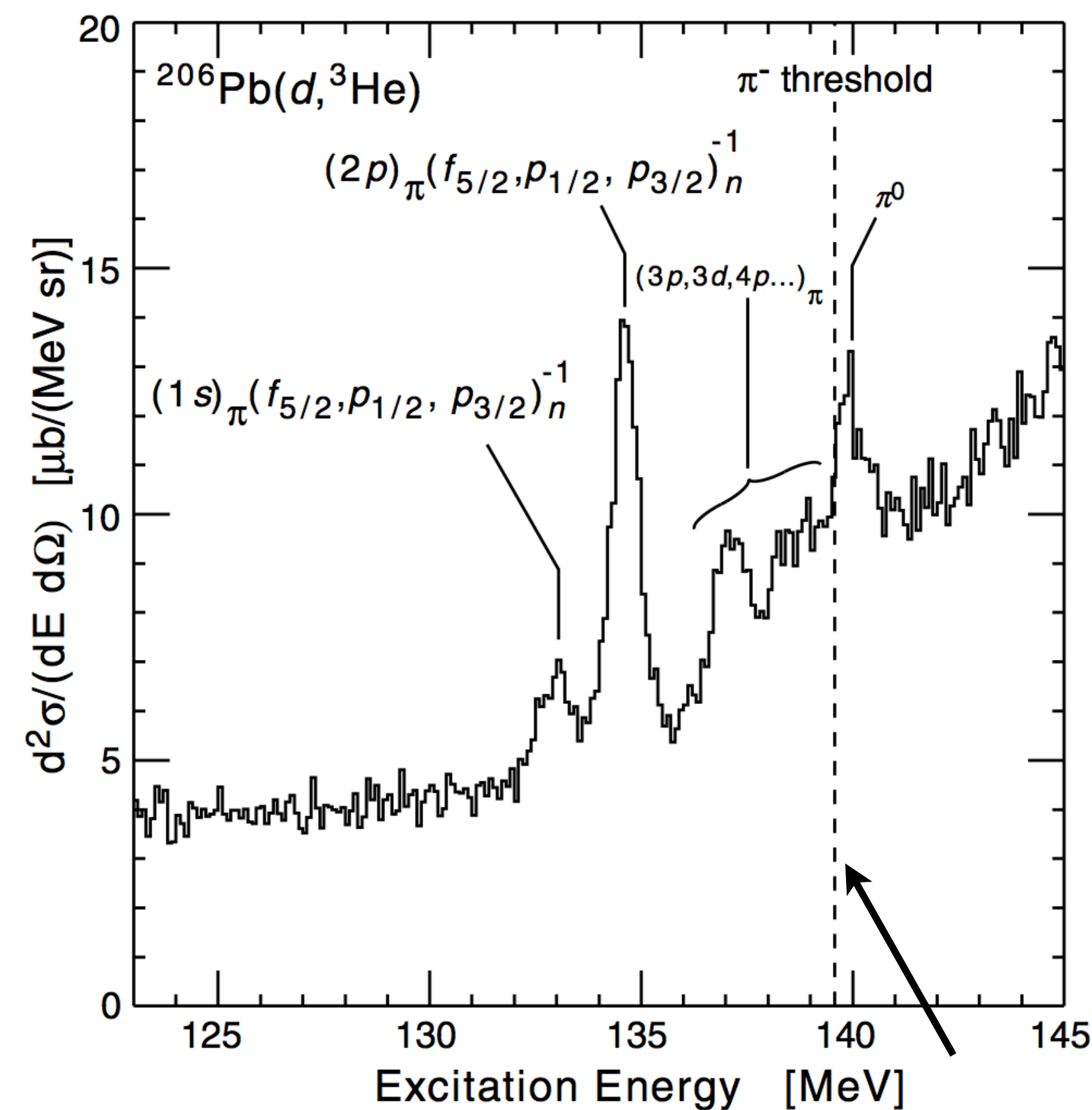
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pion production threshold

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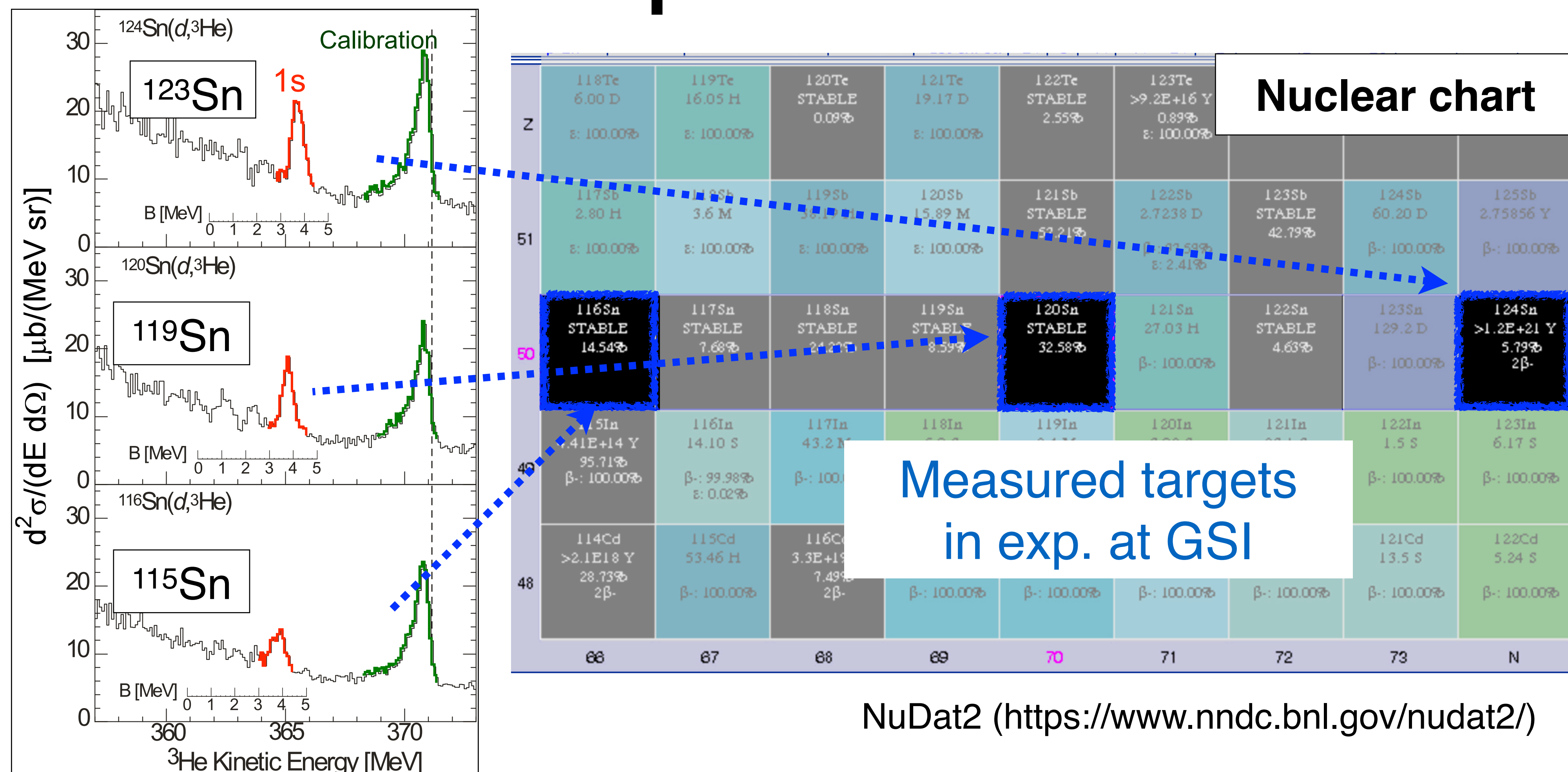
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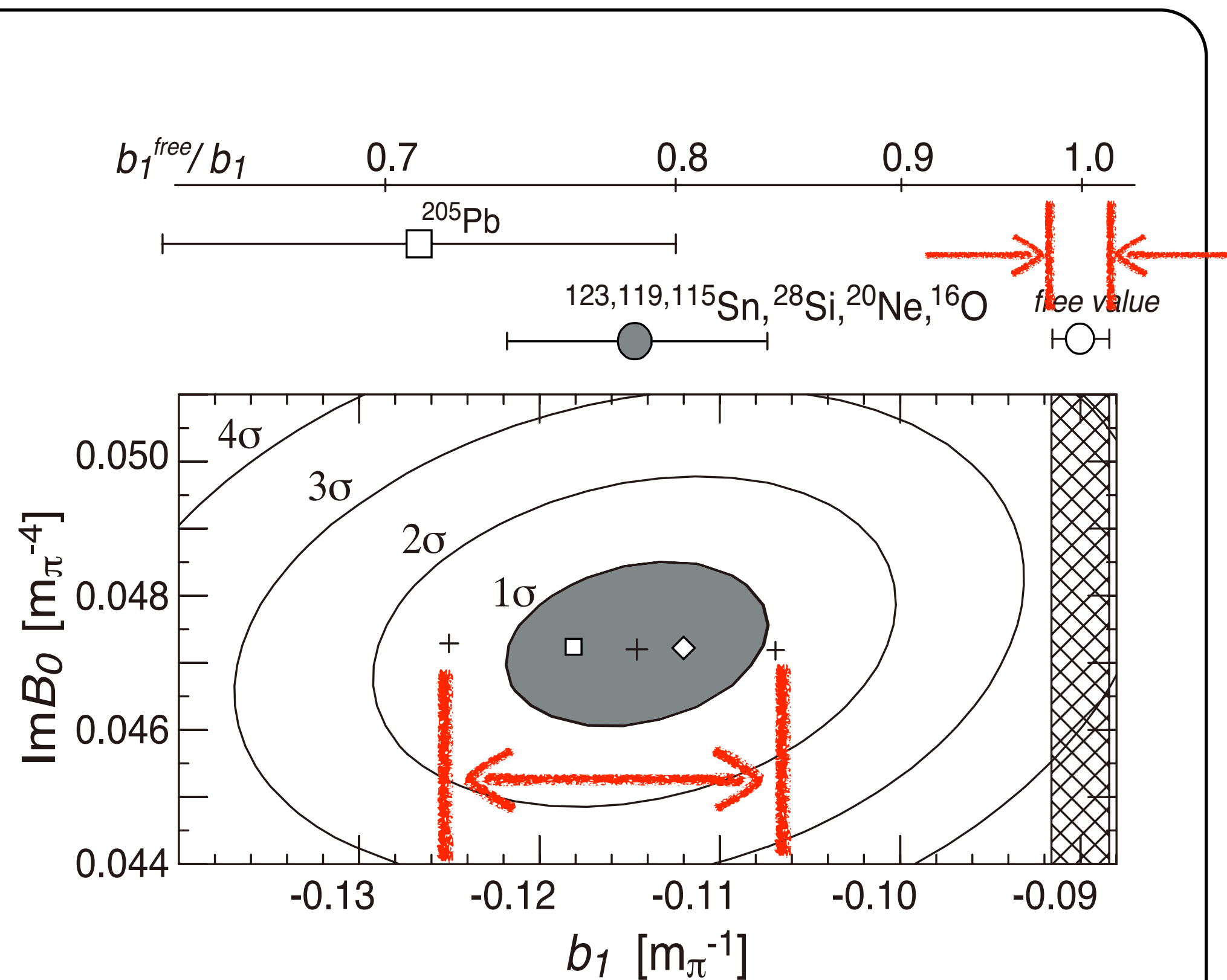
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Systematic study of pionic Sn isotopes

~ **2 month** measurement for 3 isotopes (w/ detector tuning etc...)

Extract b_1 from exp. data at GSI

Contour plot of χ^2



$$\frac{b_1^{\text{free}}}{b_1} = 0.78 \pm 0.05 \longrightarrow \frac{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle_\rho}{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle} \approx 0.66 \pm 0.06$$

cf. theoretical prediction ~ 0.65

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

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

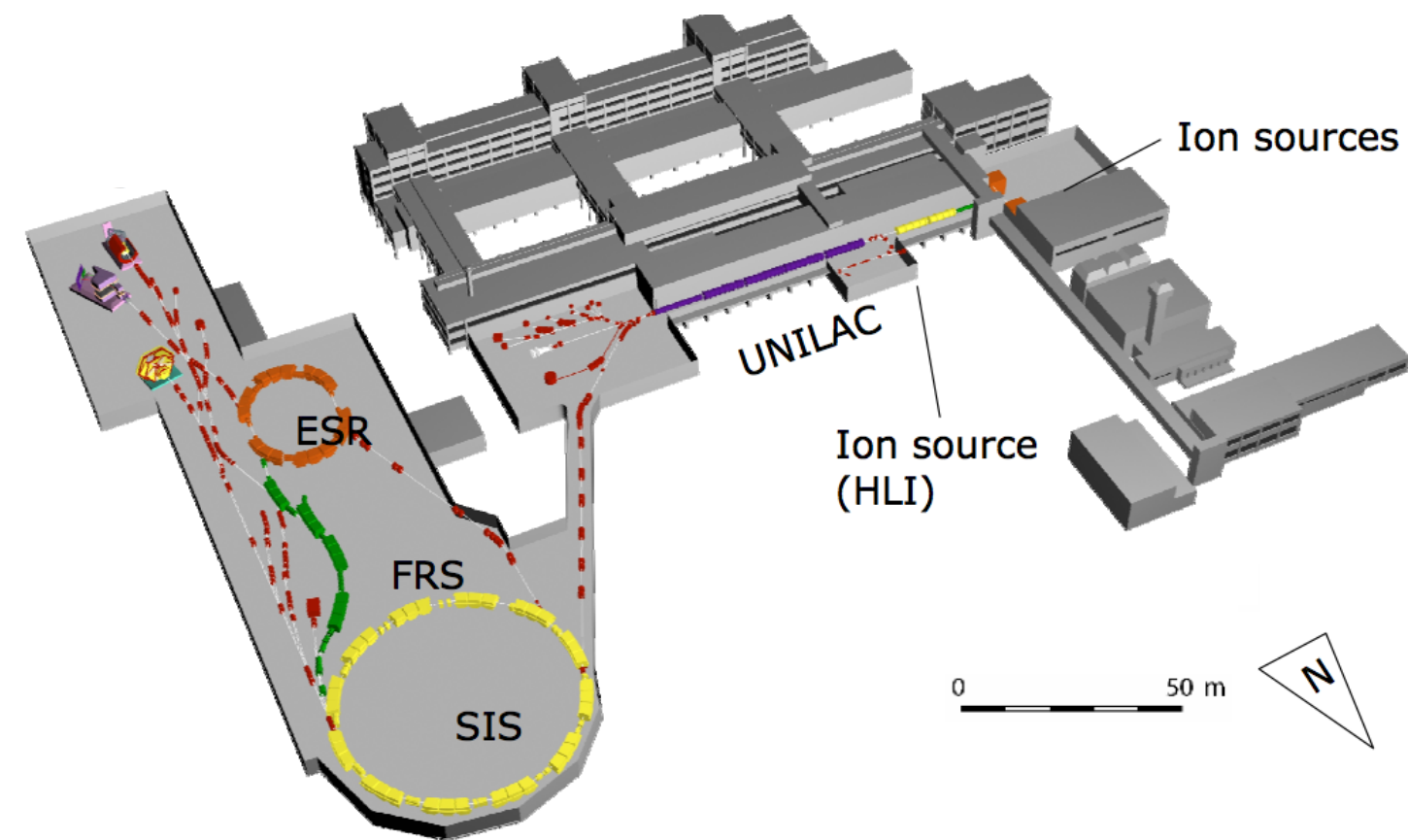
- **experimental error**
- **neutron distribution ambiguities**

To extract b_1 with higher precision
improve resolution / calibration
systematic study by Isotope shift

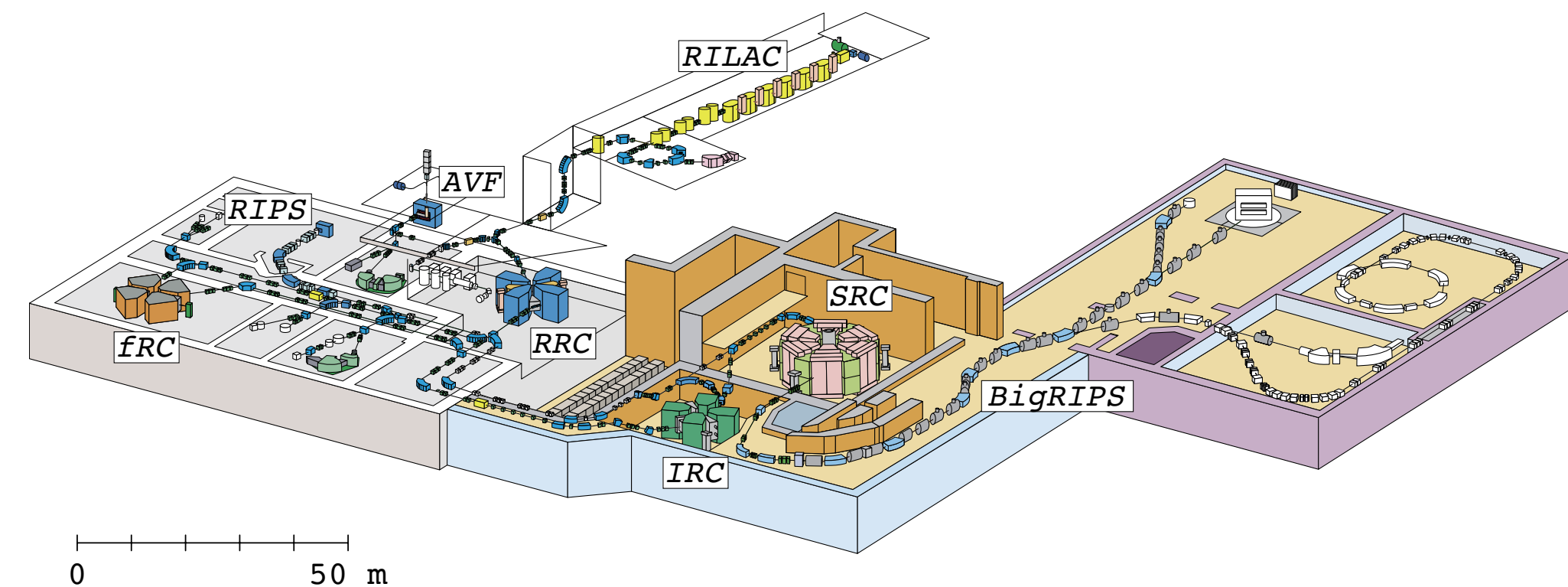
* b_0 , $\text{Re}B_0$ are deduced from data of light / symmetric pionic atoms

Comparison between RIBF and GSI

GSI facilities



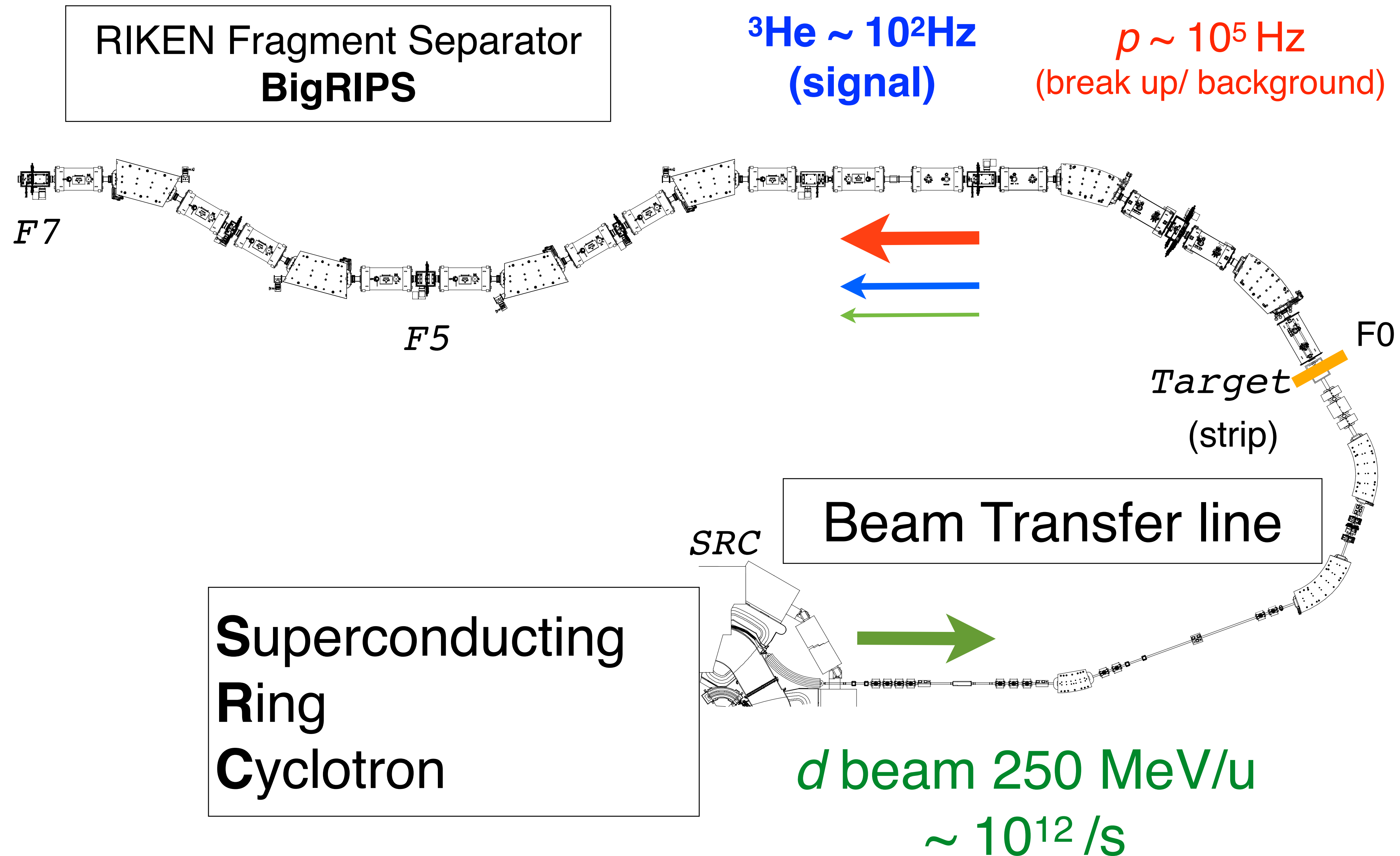
RIKEN RIBF facilities



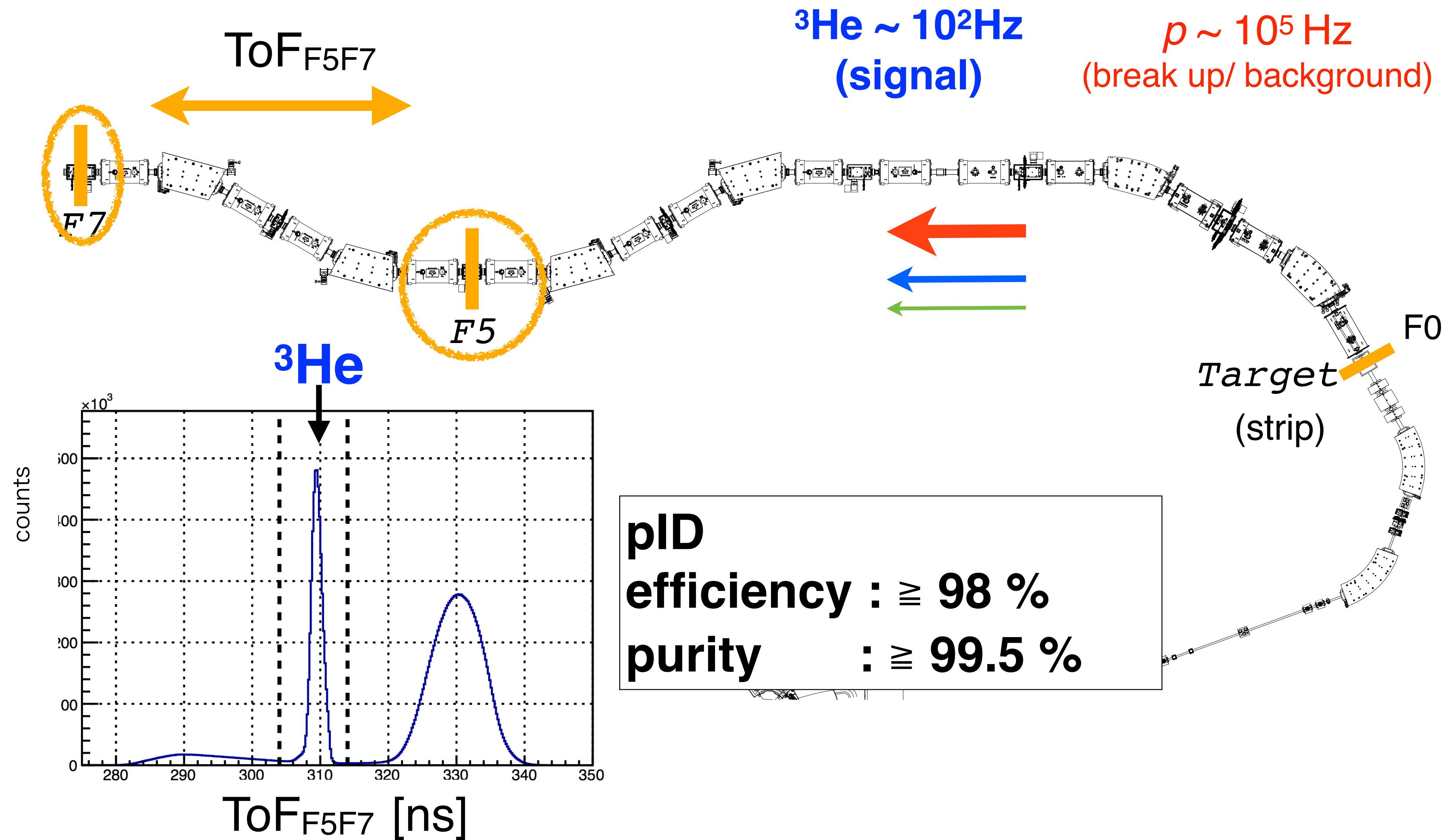
	GSI (FRS)	RIBF (BigRIPS)	Improvement
intensity	$\sim 10^{11} / 6 \text{ s (1 spill)}$	$\sim 10^{12} / \text{s}$	$\times 60$
angular acceptance (H / V)	15 / 10 mrad	40 / 60 mrad	$\times 16$
resolution (FWHM)	400 keV	200 ~ 300 keV	improve

by dispersion matching optics cf. $\Gamma_{1s} \sim 300 \text{ keV}$

Experimental setup at RIBF



Experimental setup at RIBF : pID

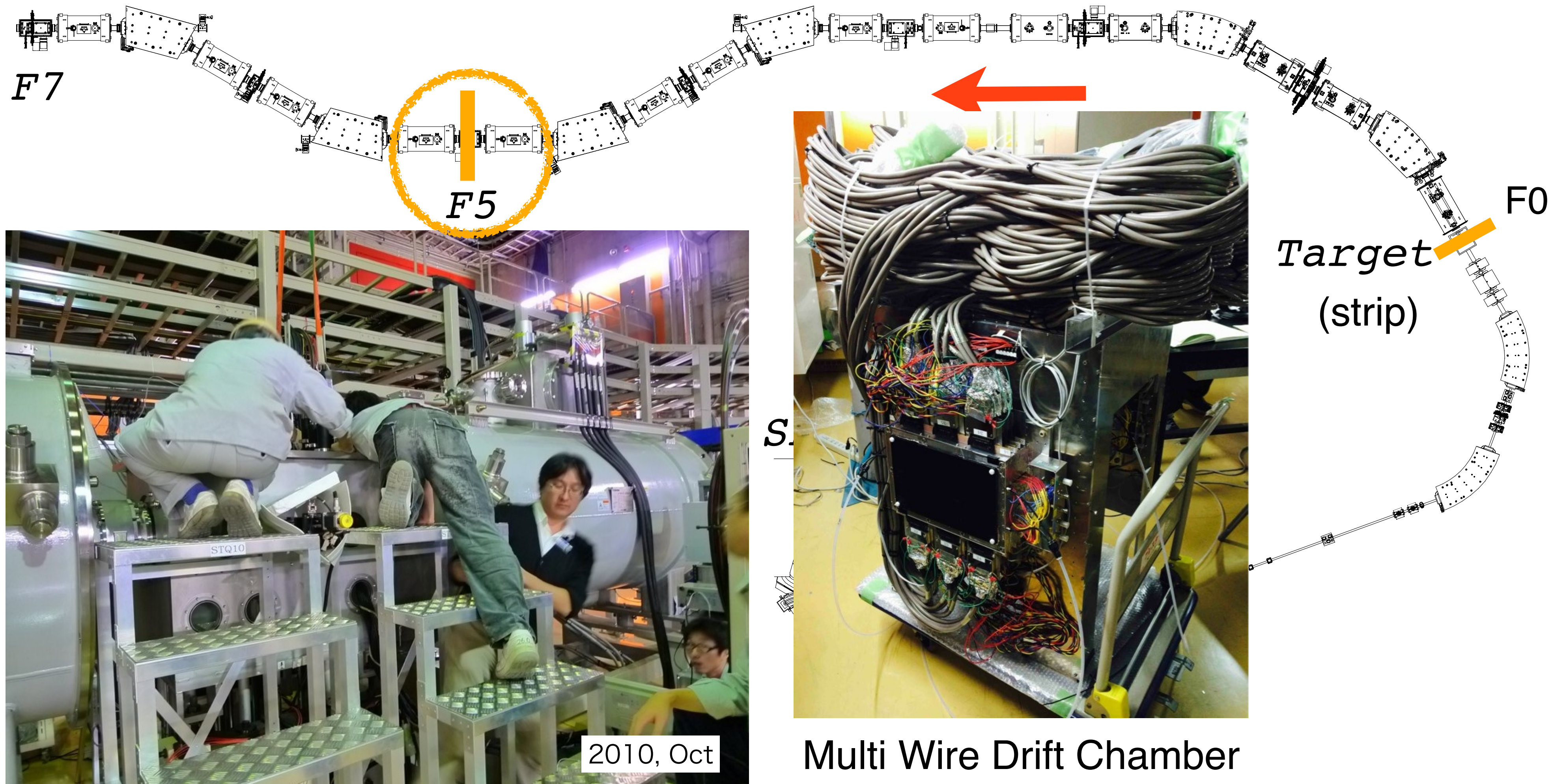


Experimental setup at RIBF : tracking

RIKEN Fragment Separator
BigRIPS

${}^3\text{He} \sim 10^2 \text{ Hz}$
(signal)

$p \sim 10^5 \text{ Hz}$
(break up/ background)



Experimental setup at RIBF : optics tuning

Dispersion matching:

Eliminate contribution of beam momentum spread

※ w/ usual primary beam settings, the contribution become ~ 800 keV (FWHM)

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \begin{array}{c} \text{Spectrometer} \\ \text{(BigRIPS)} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{reaction} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{Analyzer} \\ \text{(Beam Transfer Line)} \end{array} \\
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 \text{F5} \qquad \qquad \qquad *C: \text{kinematical factor} = 1.31 \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{inside SRC}
 \end{array}$$

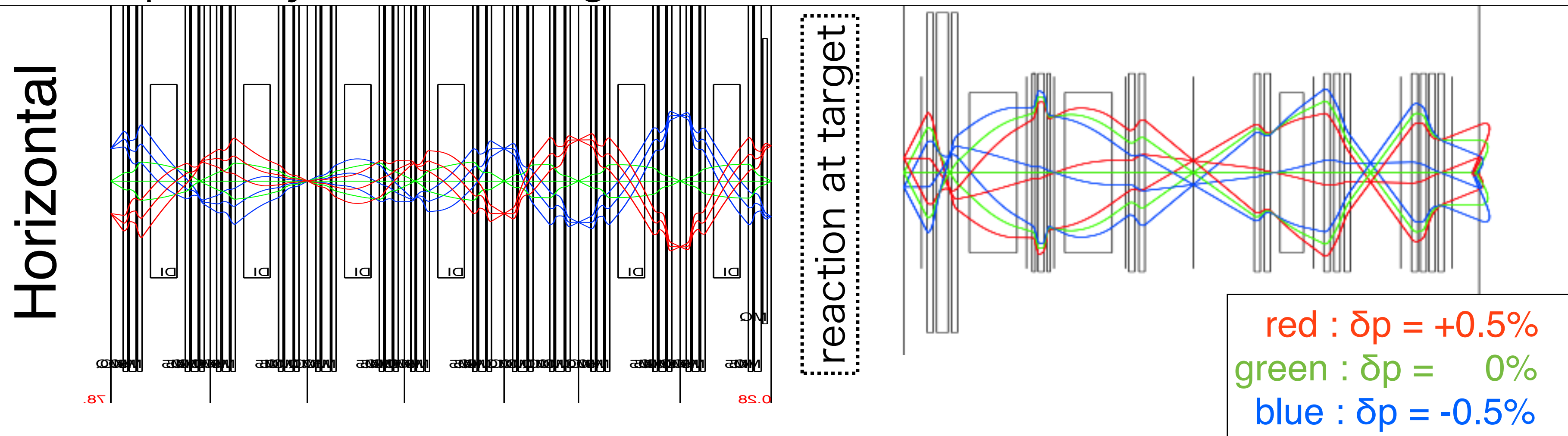
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← → Cancel out

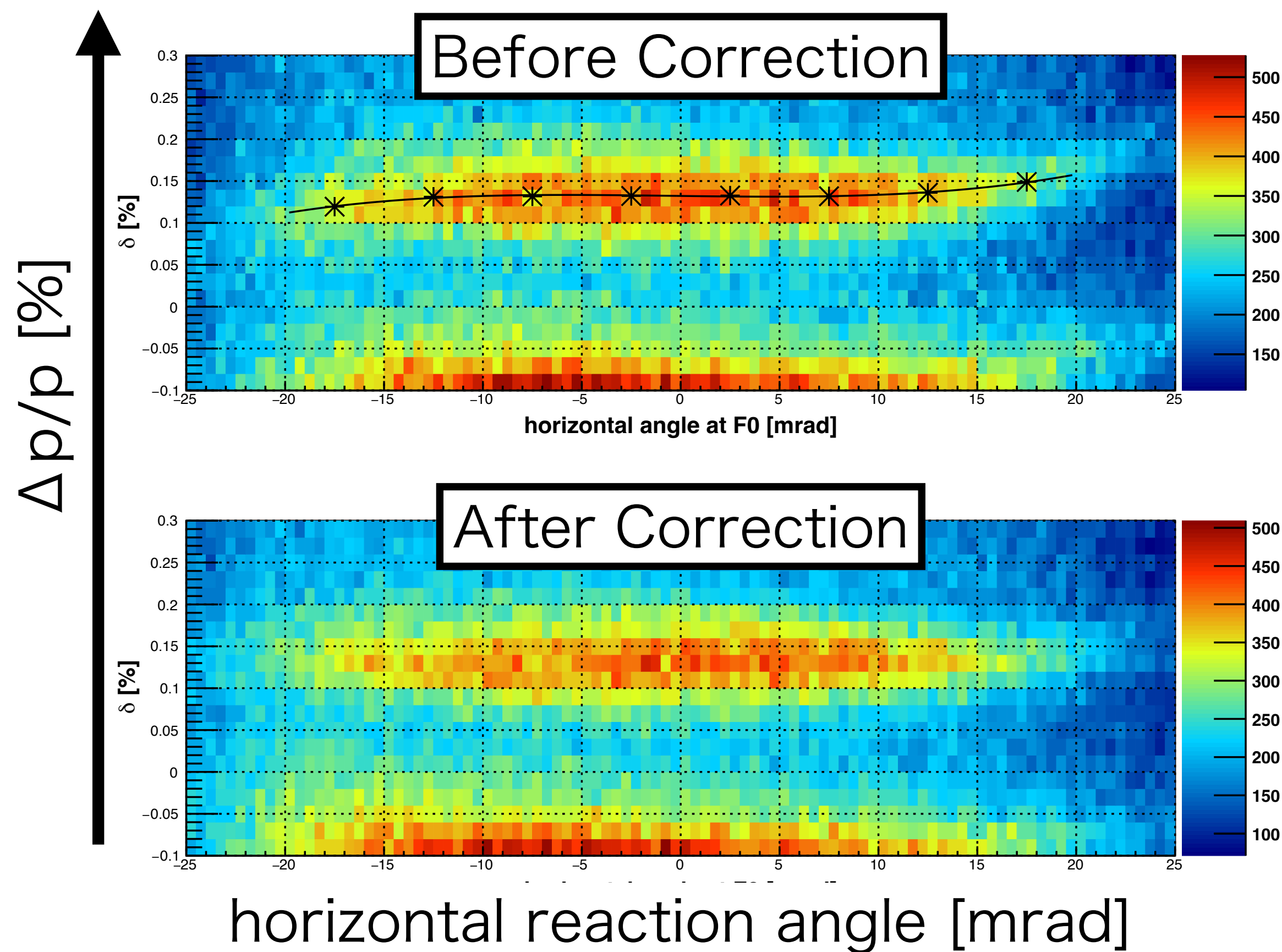
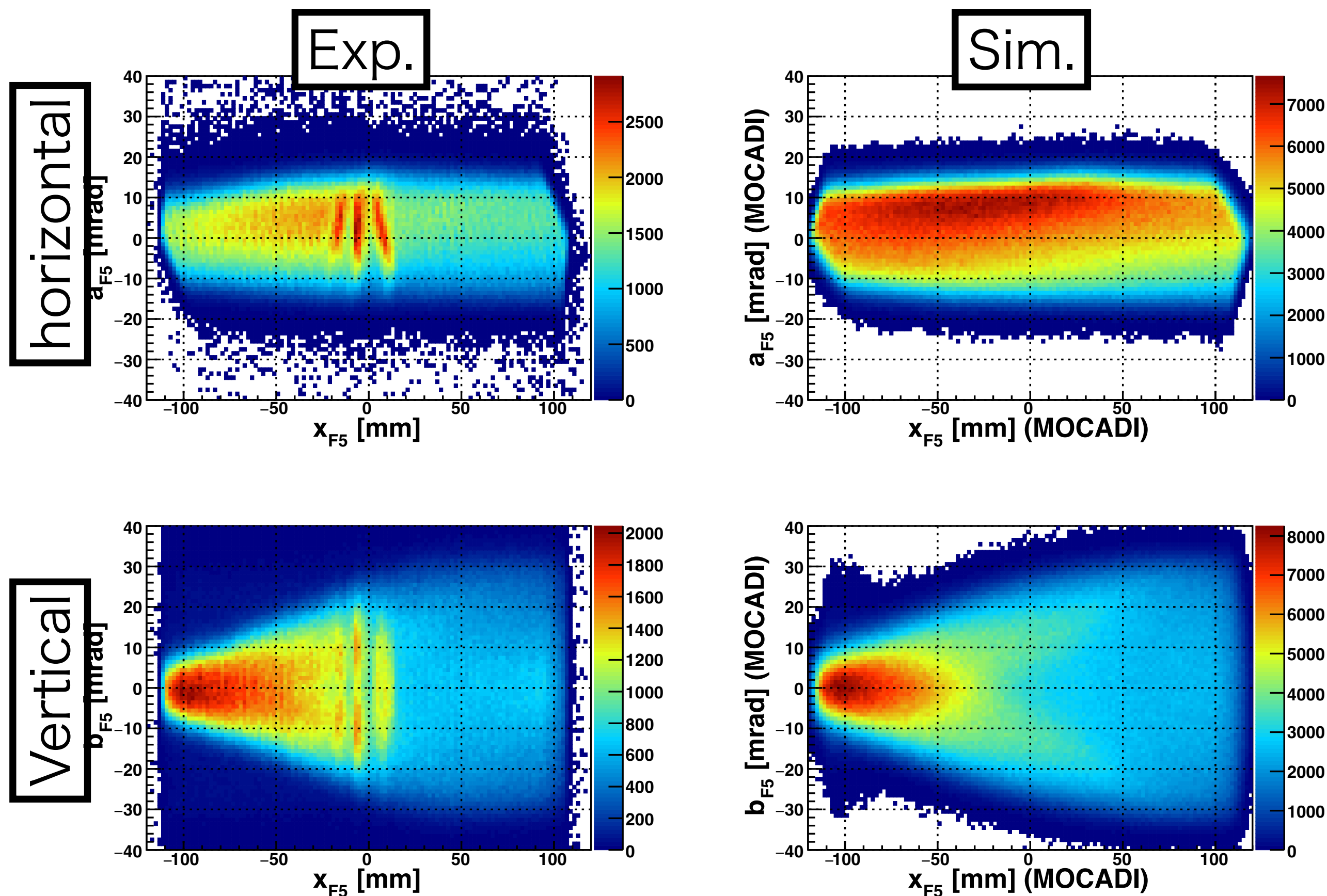
design values: $S_{11} = -1.8$ $A_{16} = 44.6 \text{ mm}/\%$ (dispersion in transport line)

$C = 1.31$ $S_{16} = 62 \text{ mm}/\%$

Experimental setup at RIBF : optical correction

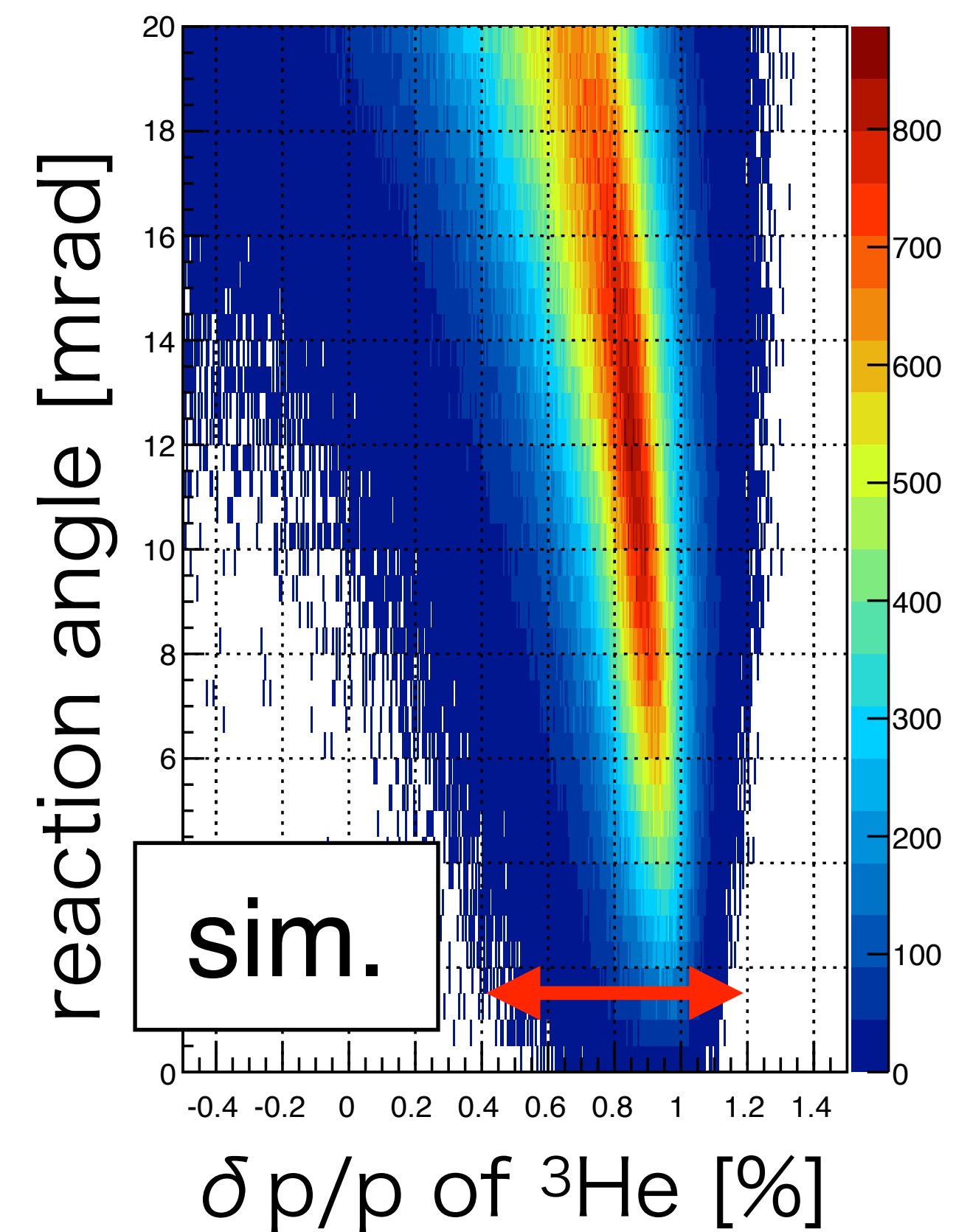
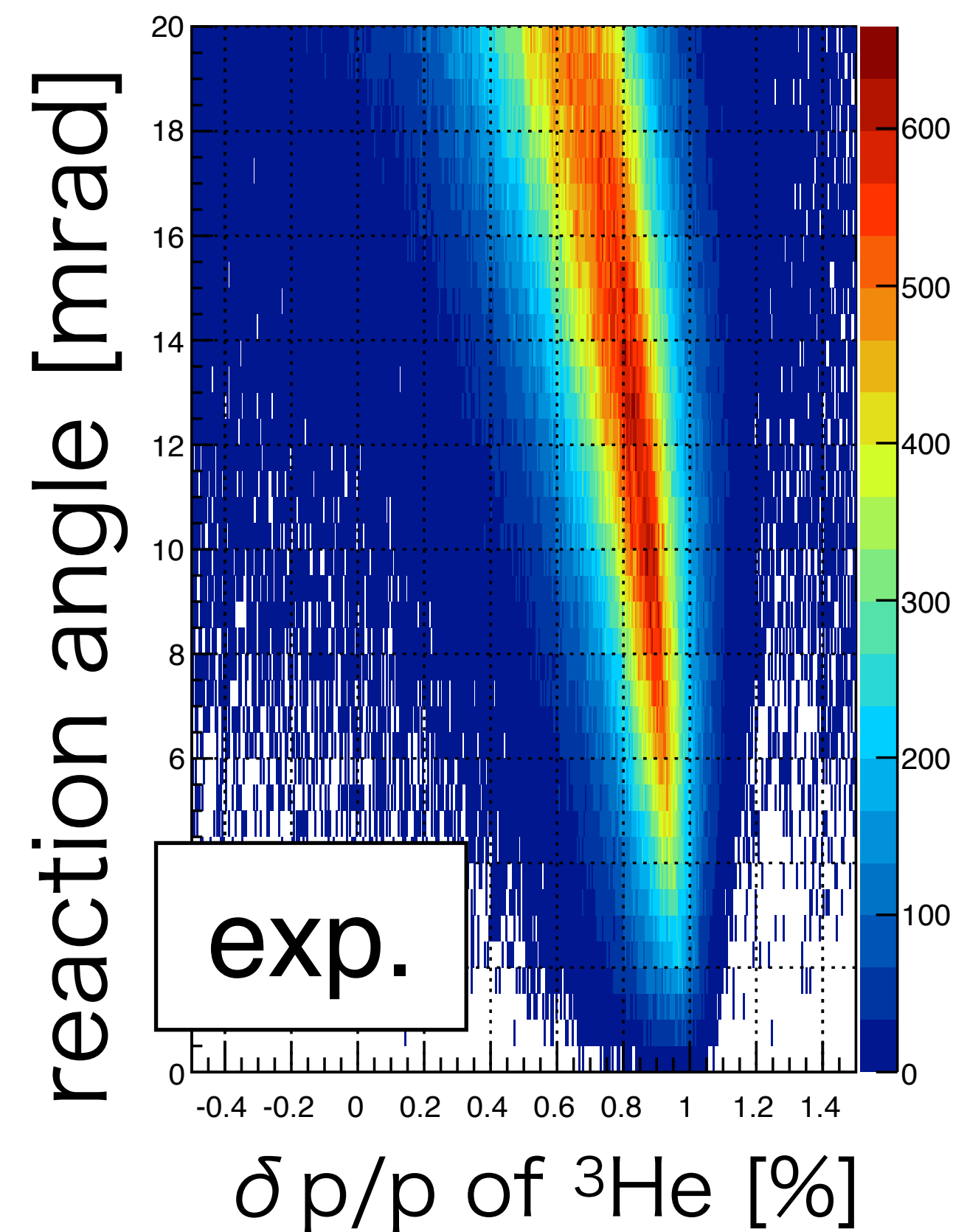
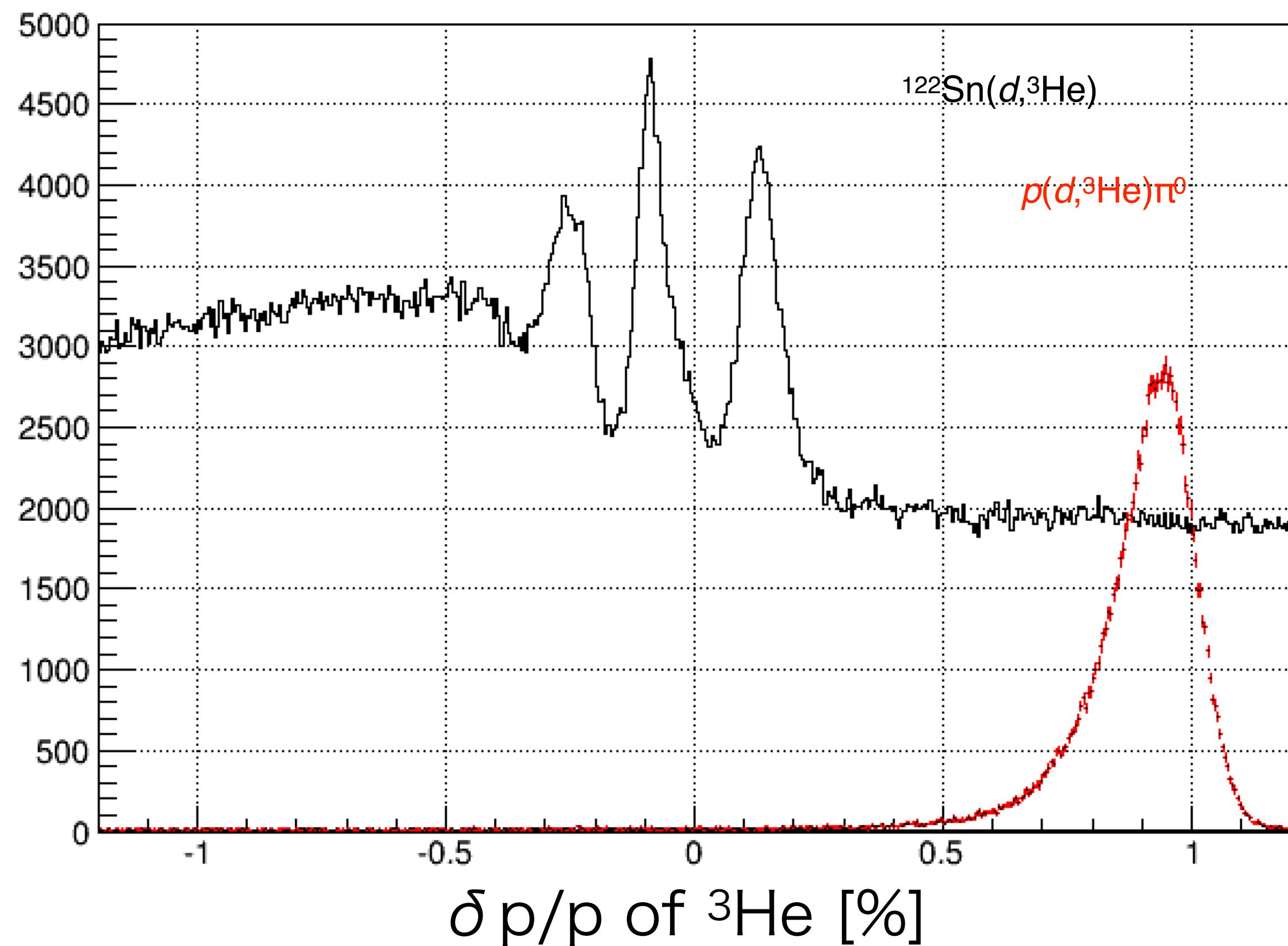
Acceptance correction
reproduced by MC simulation (MOCADI)

Optical correction
by 3rd-order matrix element



Experimental setup at RIBF : calibration

Calibration of $E_{3\text{He}}$: $p(d,^3\text{He})\pi^0$ reaction
(CH_2 target / 2-body kinematics)



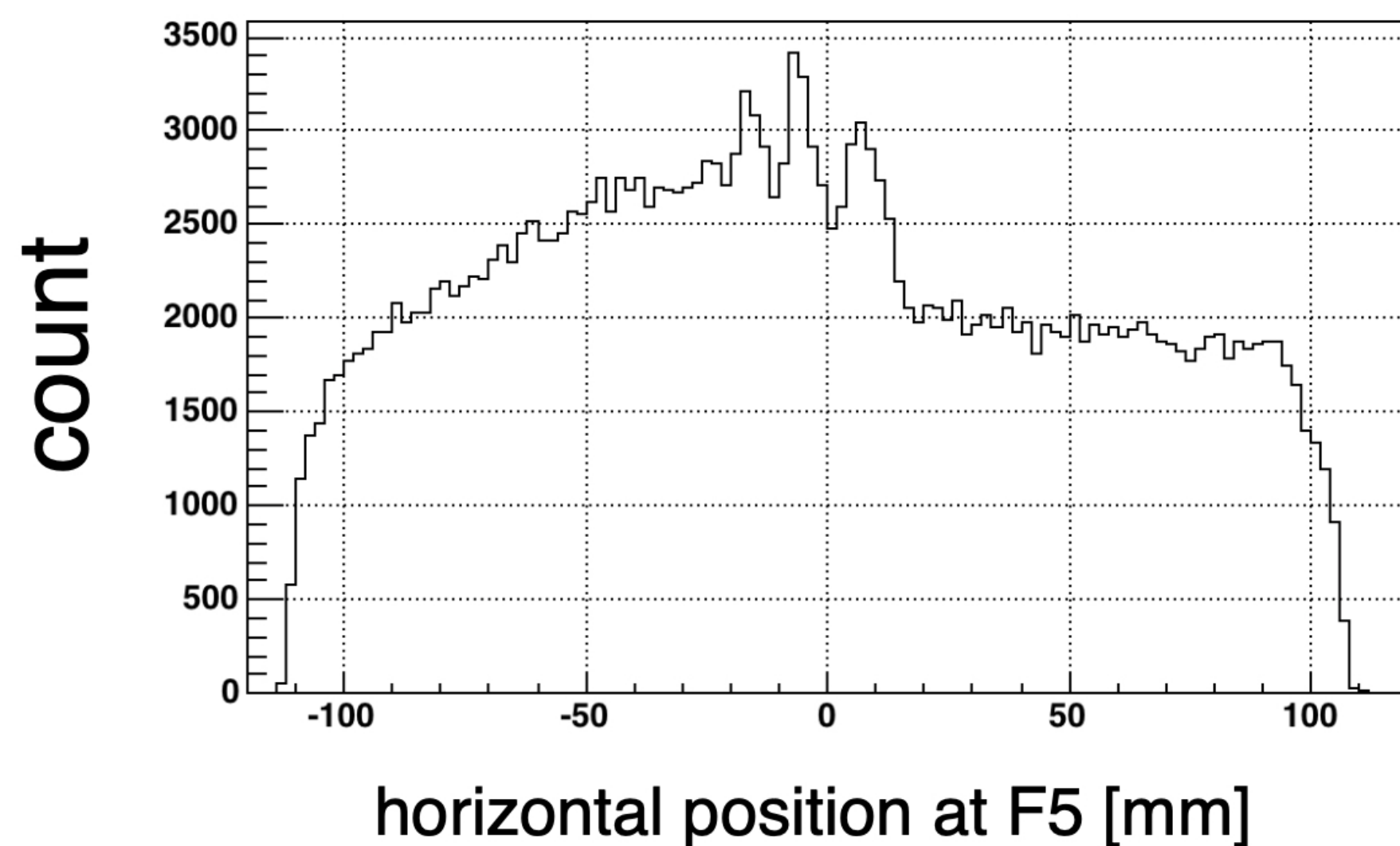
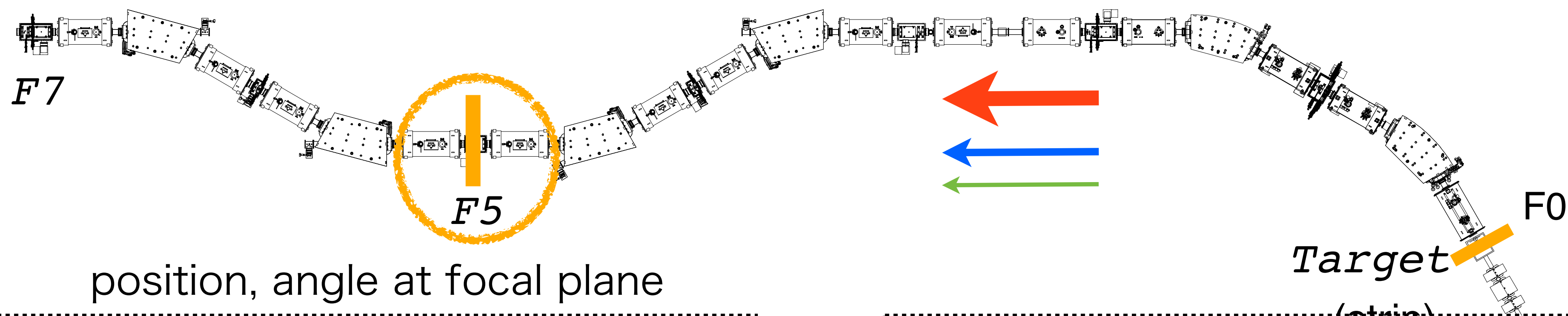
$E_{3\text{He}}$ at center of focal plane = 362.458 ± 0.003 (stat.) ± 0.005 (sys.) [MeV]
(Ambiguity of the primary beam energy is not included)

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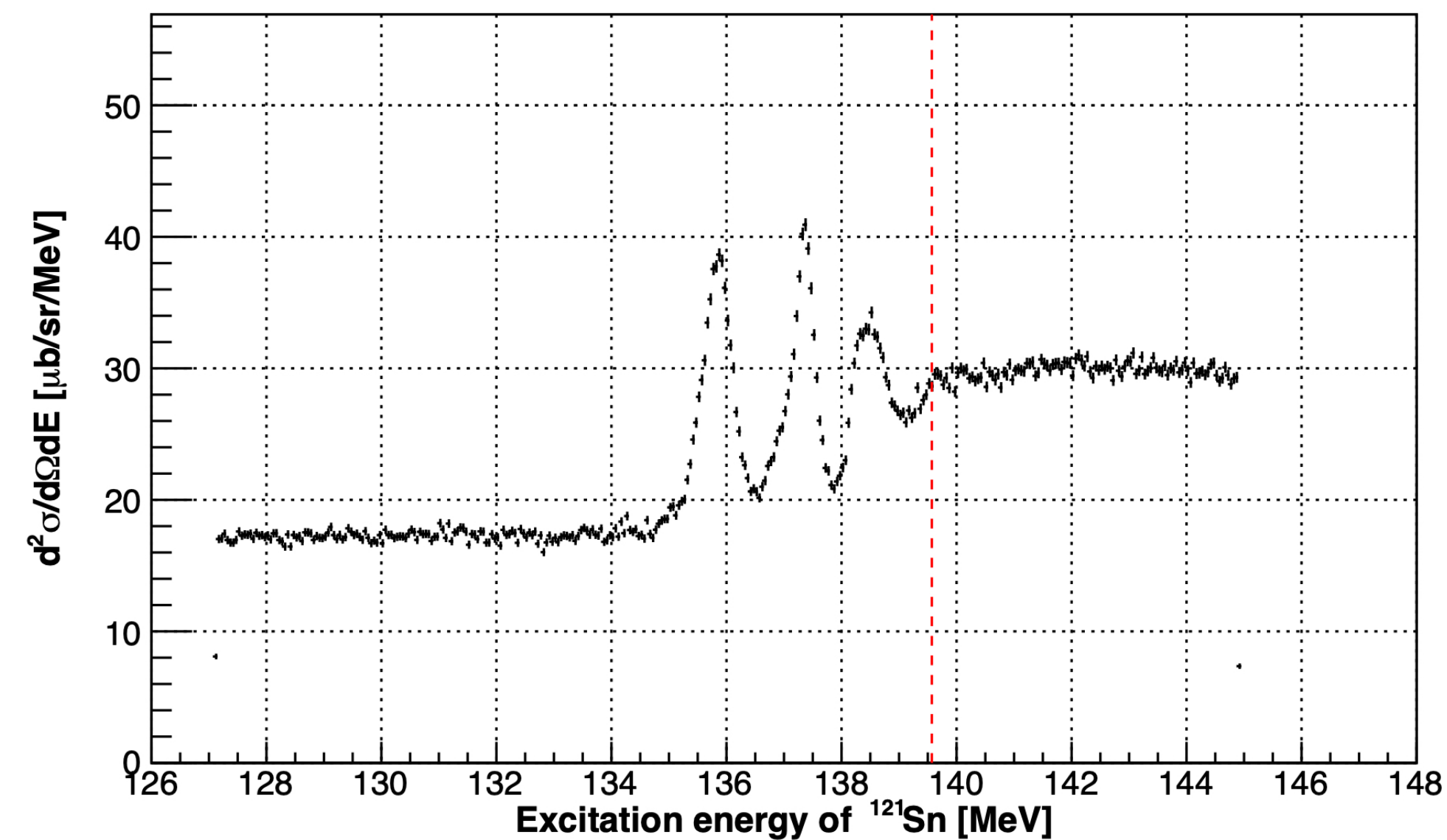
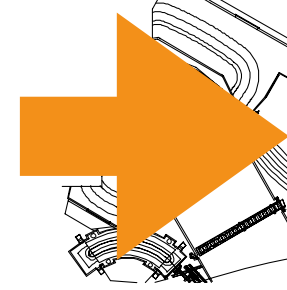
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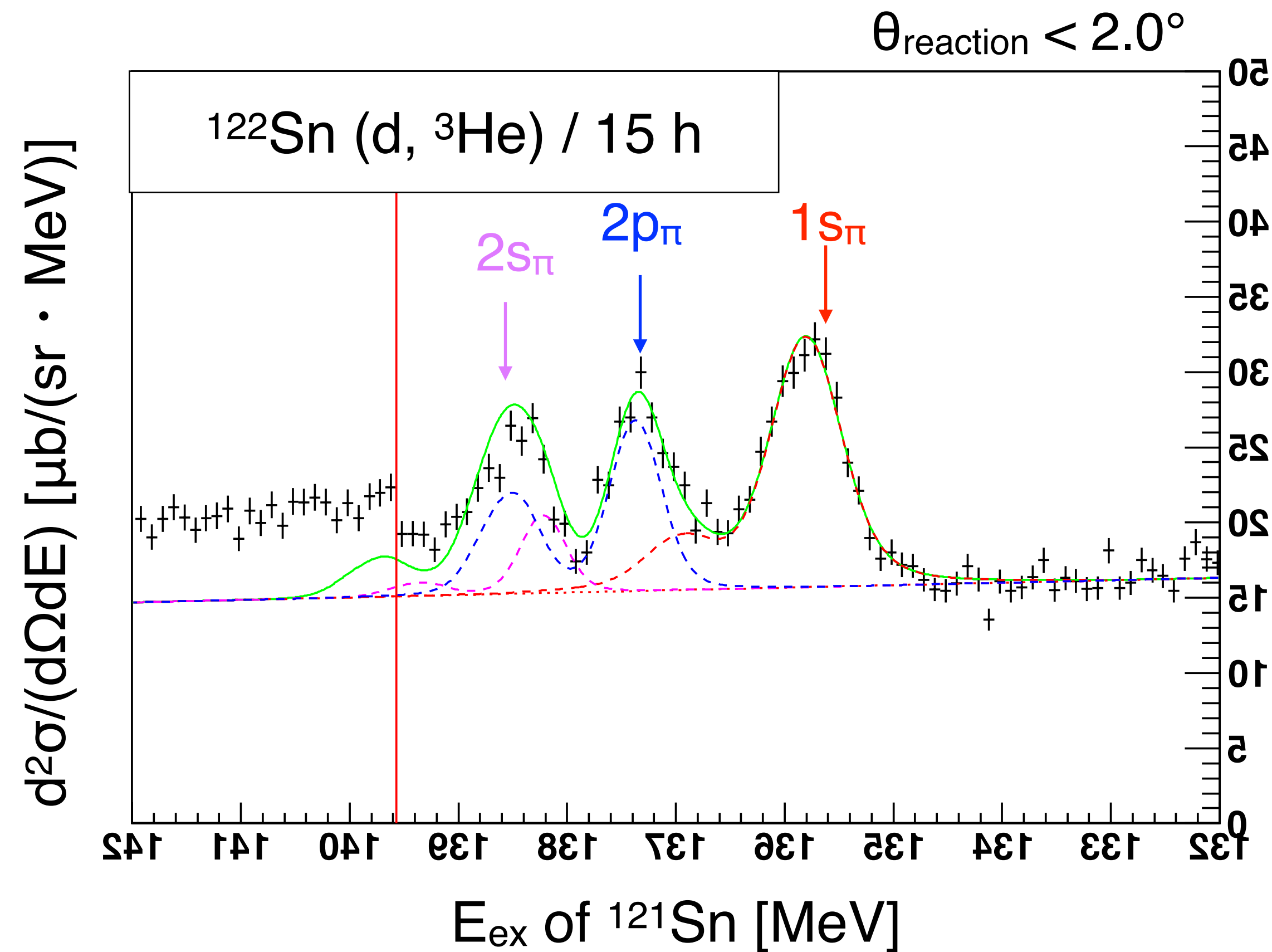
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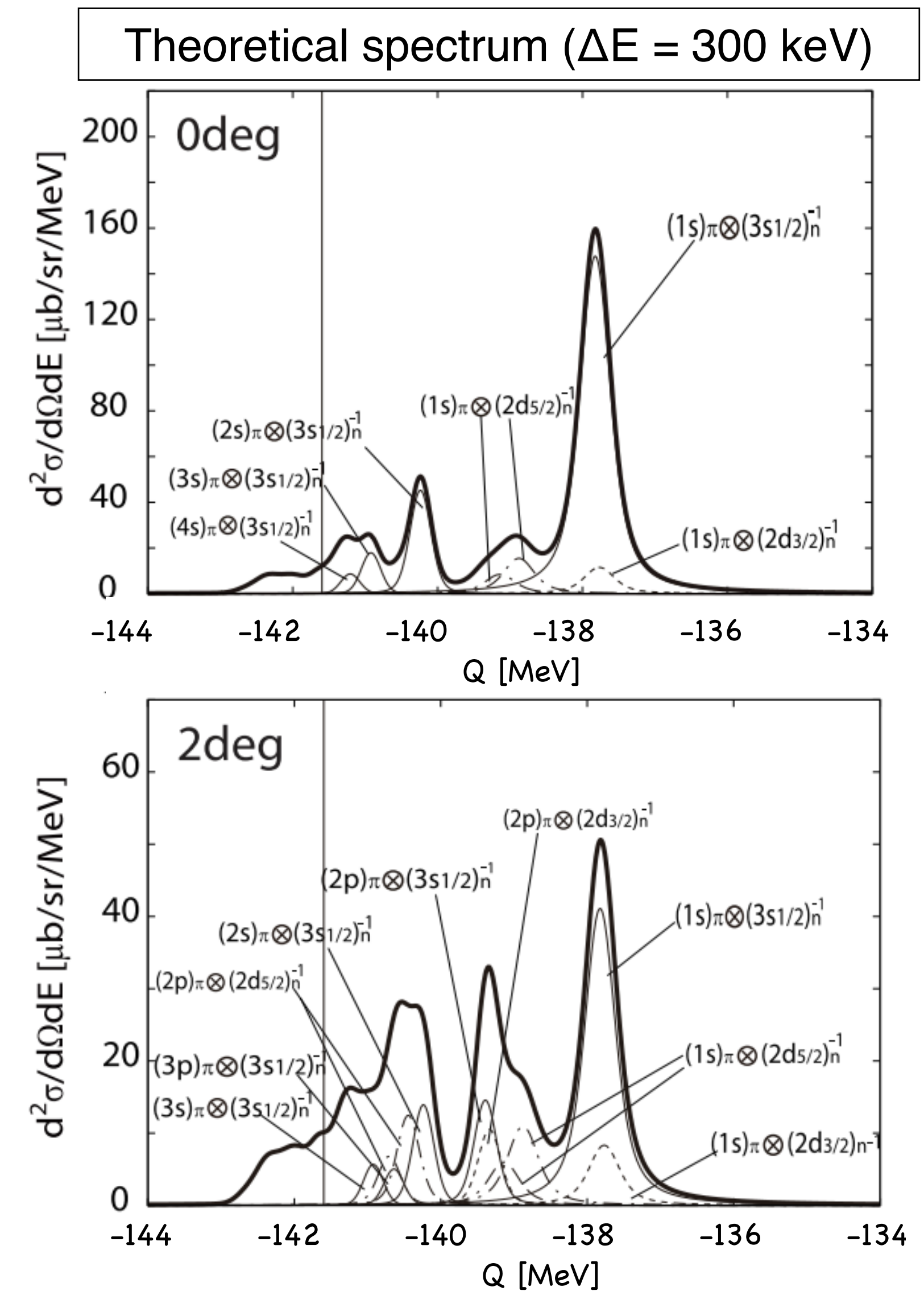
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Polot experiment @ RIKEN in 2010

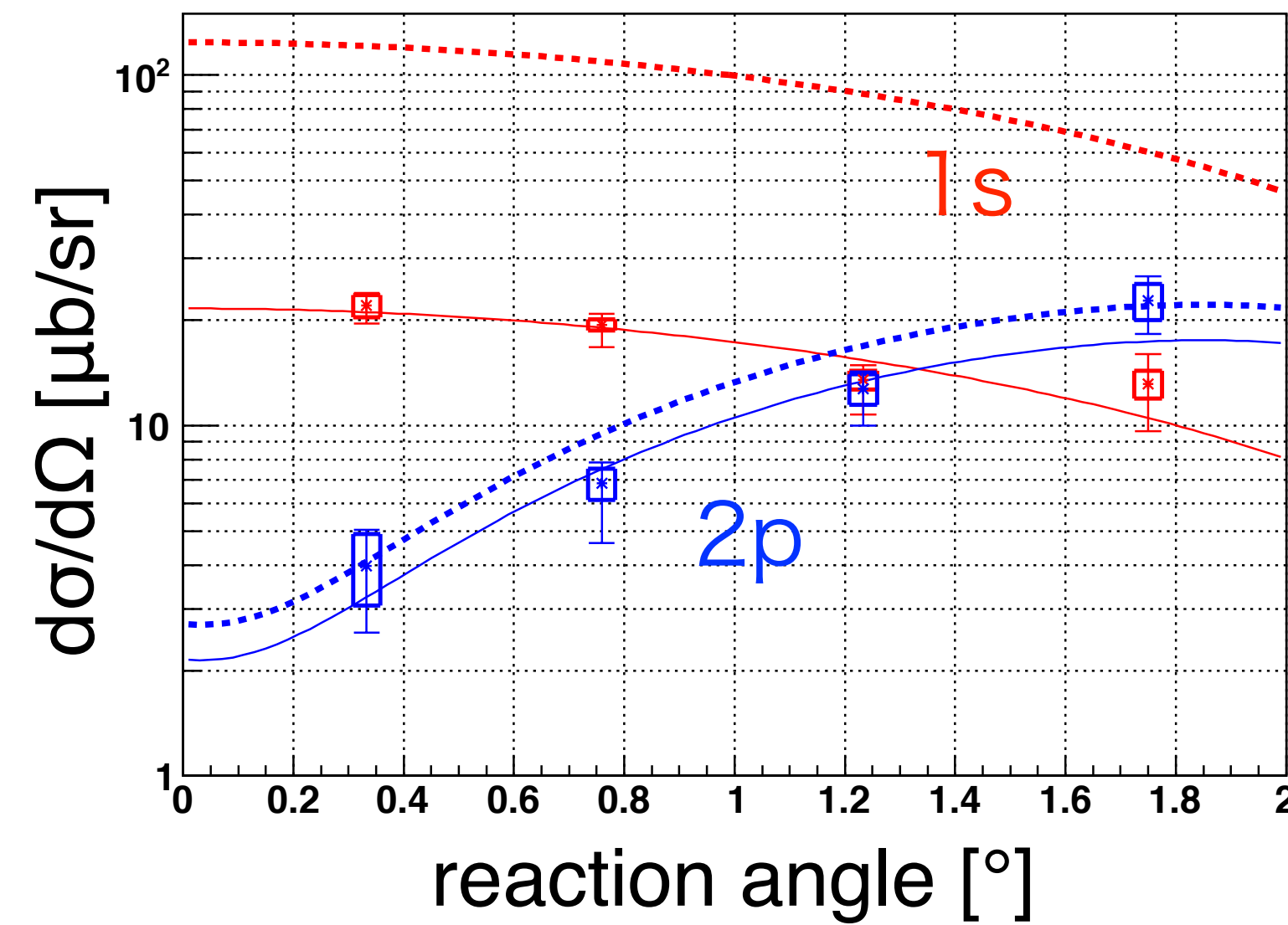
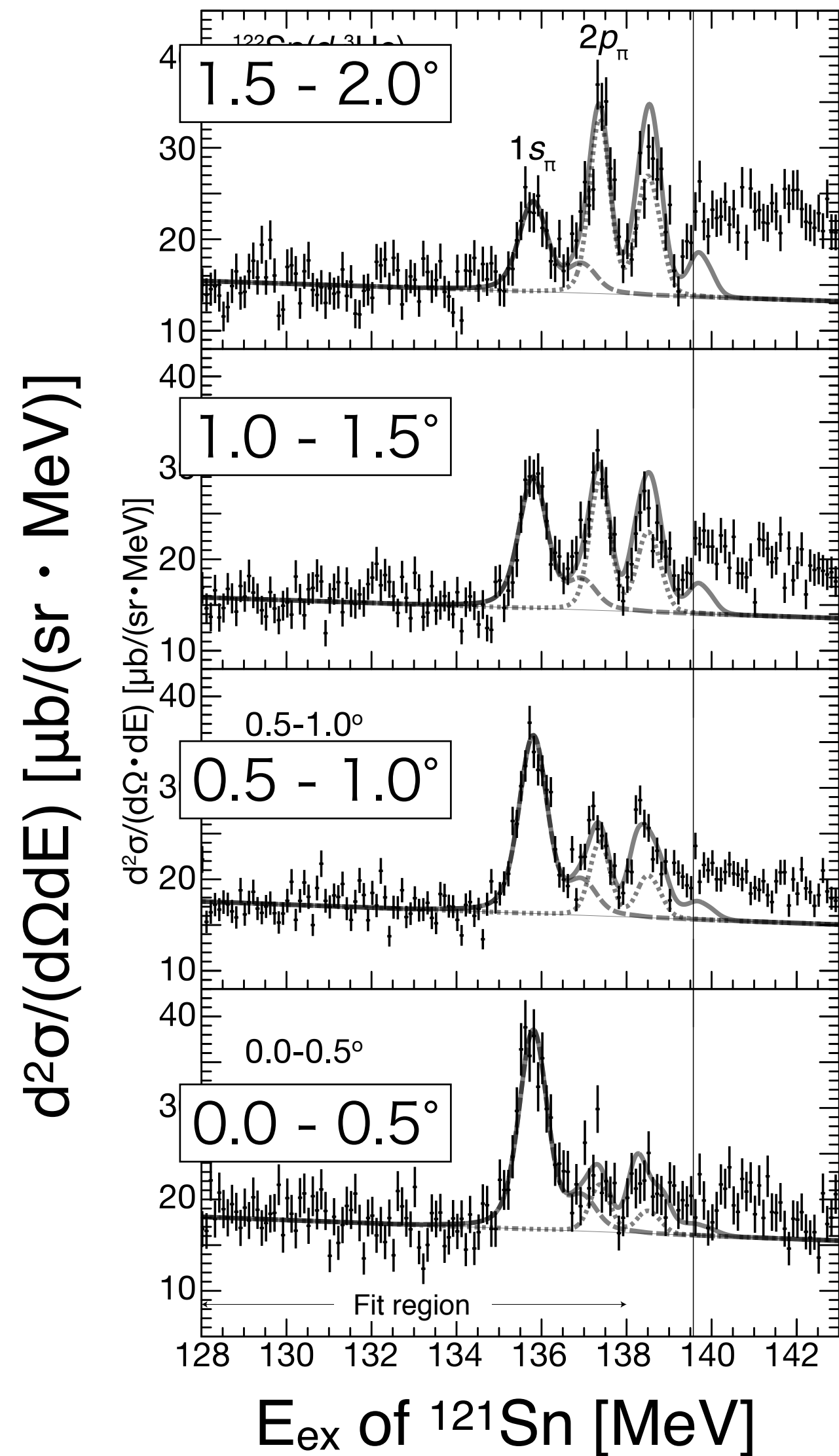


- Clear peaks are observed in 15-h measurement
- Center peak corresponds to the $(2p)_\pi \otimes (3s_{1/2})_n^{-1}, (2d_{5/2})_n^{-1} \dots$
(grow up with finite reaction angle)



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

Polot experiment @ RIKEN in 2010



dot line : theoretical calc. (Neff. approach)
 solid line: scaled theoretical calc.

- θ_{reaction} dependence
 → well reproduced by theoretical calculation
- absolute value of the reaction cross section

$$\rightarrow S_{1s}^{\text{exp}} \doteq S_{1s}^{\text{theory}} \times 0.17$$

$$S_{2p}^{\text{exp}} \doteq S_{2p}^{\text{theory}} \times 0.8$$

Angular configuration is well understood.
 Angular dependences are almost reproduced quite well except S_{1s}/S_{2p} ratio.
 Missing factor for reaction dynamics ??

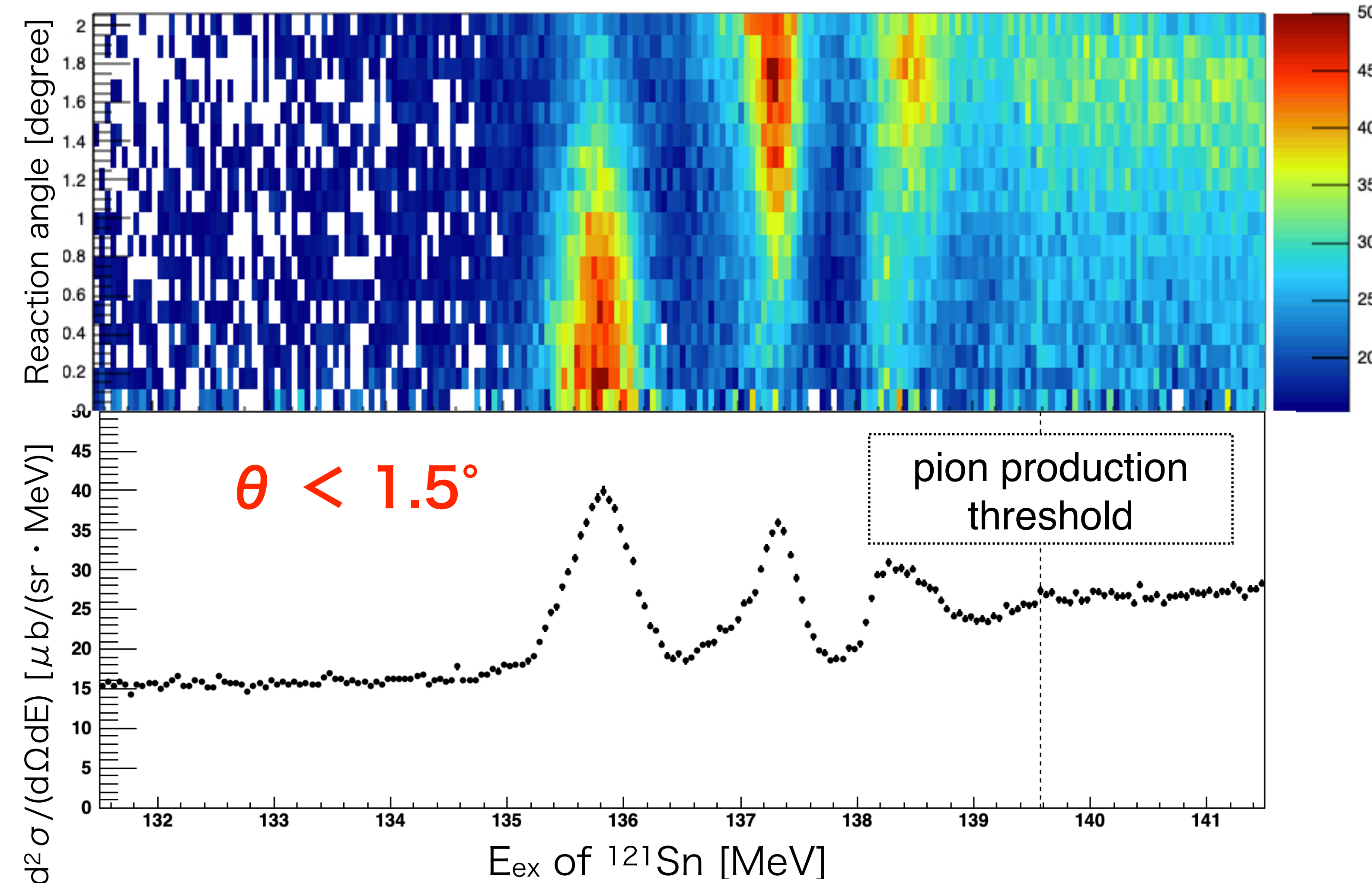
Precision measurement @ RIKEN in 2014: $^{117,121}\text{Sn}$

- ◎ Precision measurement (~ 11 days)
target: ^{122}Sn , ^{117}Sn
goal : precision measurement of pionic states in ^{121}Sn
first measurement of pionic states in odd nuclei

- improve optics → improve resolution
- simultaneous measurement of $1s$, $2p$ → reduce systematic error



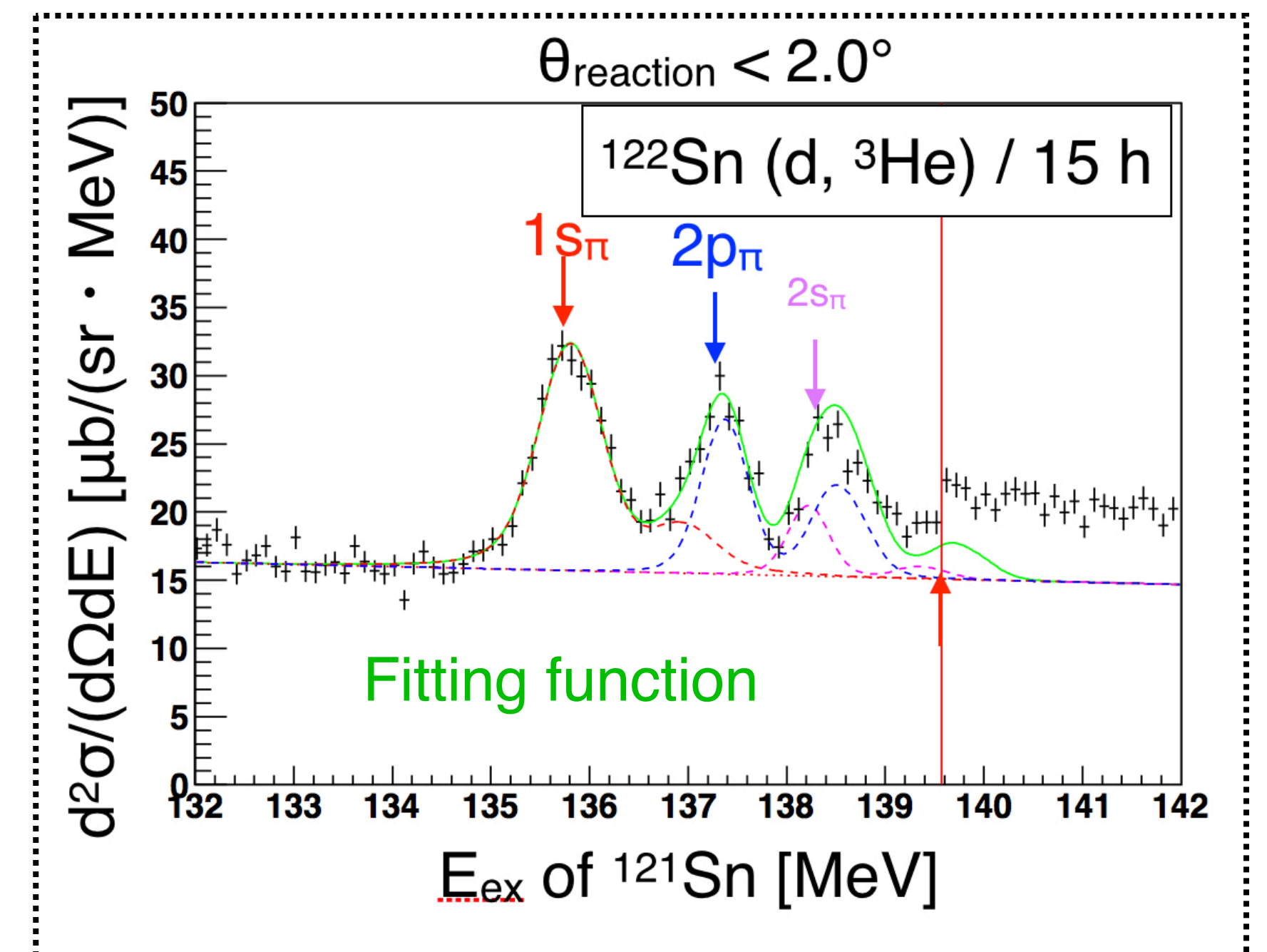
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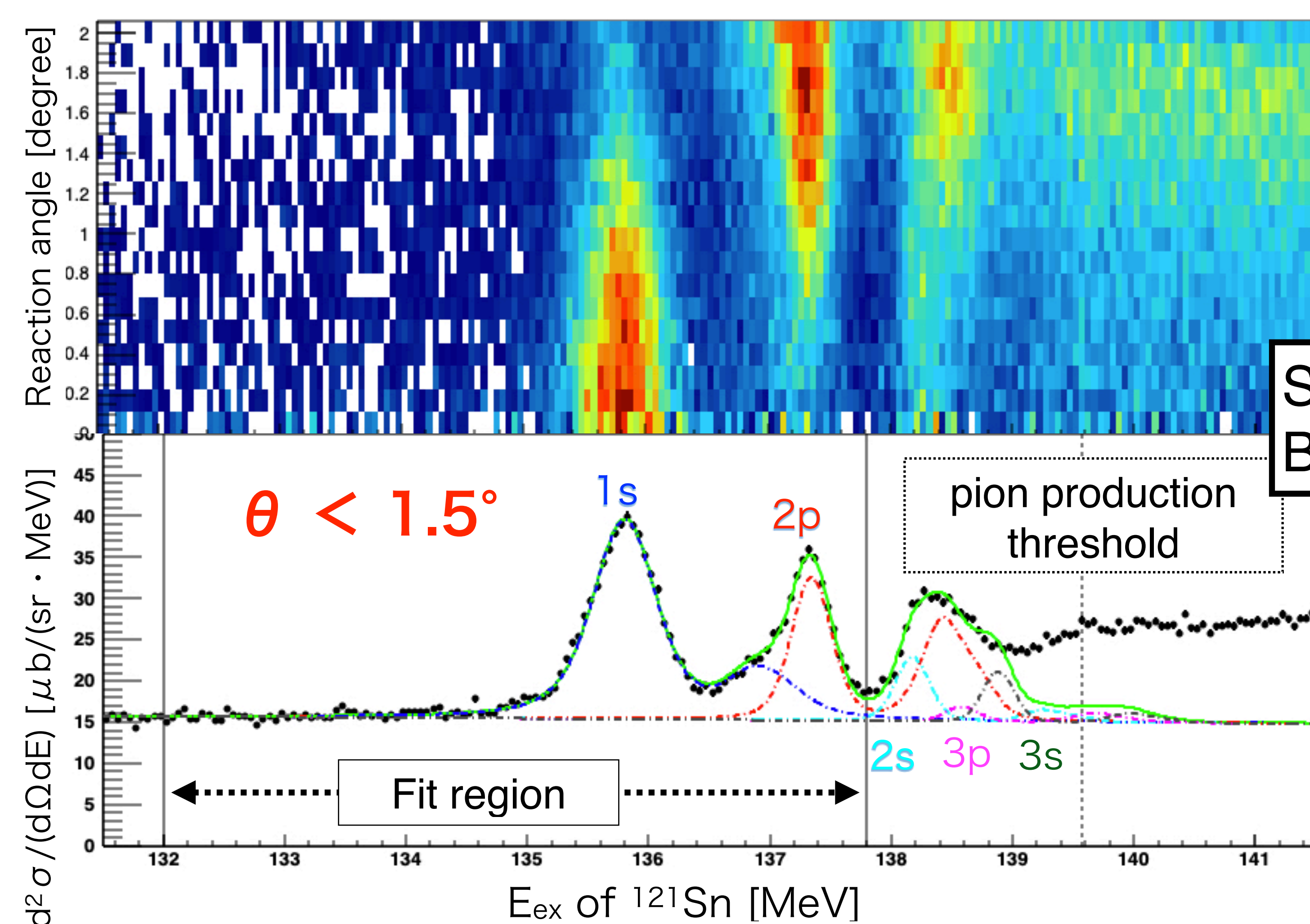
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($\sim \times 10$ from pilot exp.)

c.f. Result of pilot exp.



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Simultaneous & precise measurement of B_{1s} , B_{2p} , Γ_{1s} , Γ_{2p} , and **$B_{1s} - B_{2p}$**

	[keV]	Statistical	Systematic
$B_\pi(1s)$	3830	± 3	+78 - 76
$B_\pi(2p)$	2265	± 3	+84 - 83
$B_\pi(1s) - B_\pi(2p)$	1565	± 4	± 11
$\Gamma_\pi(1s)$	314	± 12	+43 - 40
$\Gamma_\pi(2p)$	120	± 17	+49 - 28
$\Gamma_\pi(1s) - \Gamma_\pi(2p)$	194	± 20	+31 - 42

Deduce b_1 parameter from B_π, Γ_π

$b_1, \text{Im}B_0$:

Solve Klein-Gordon equation and search best parameter to reproduce experimental results.

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• $b_0, \text{Re}B_0$:

simultaneous fit with symmetric light nuclei ($^{16}\text{O}, ^{20}\text{Ne}, ^{28}\text{Si}$)

• p-wave parameters ($c_0, c_1, \text{Re}C_0, \text{Im}C_0$):

fixed to global fit results

※ E. Friedman and A. Gal, Nucl. Phys. A 724 (2003)

Improved points for the analysis

• **neutron distribution (p-elastic exp. @RCNP)**

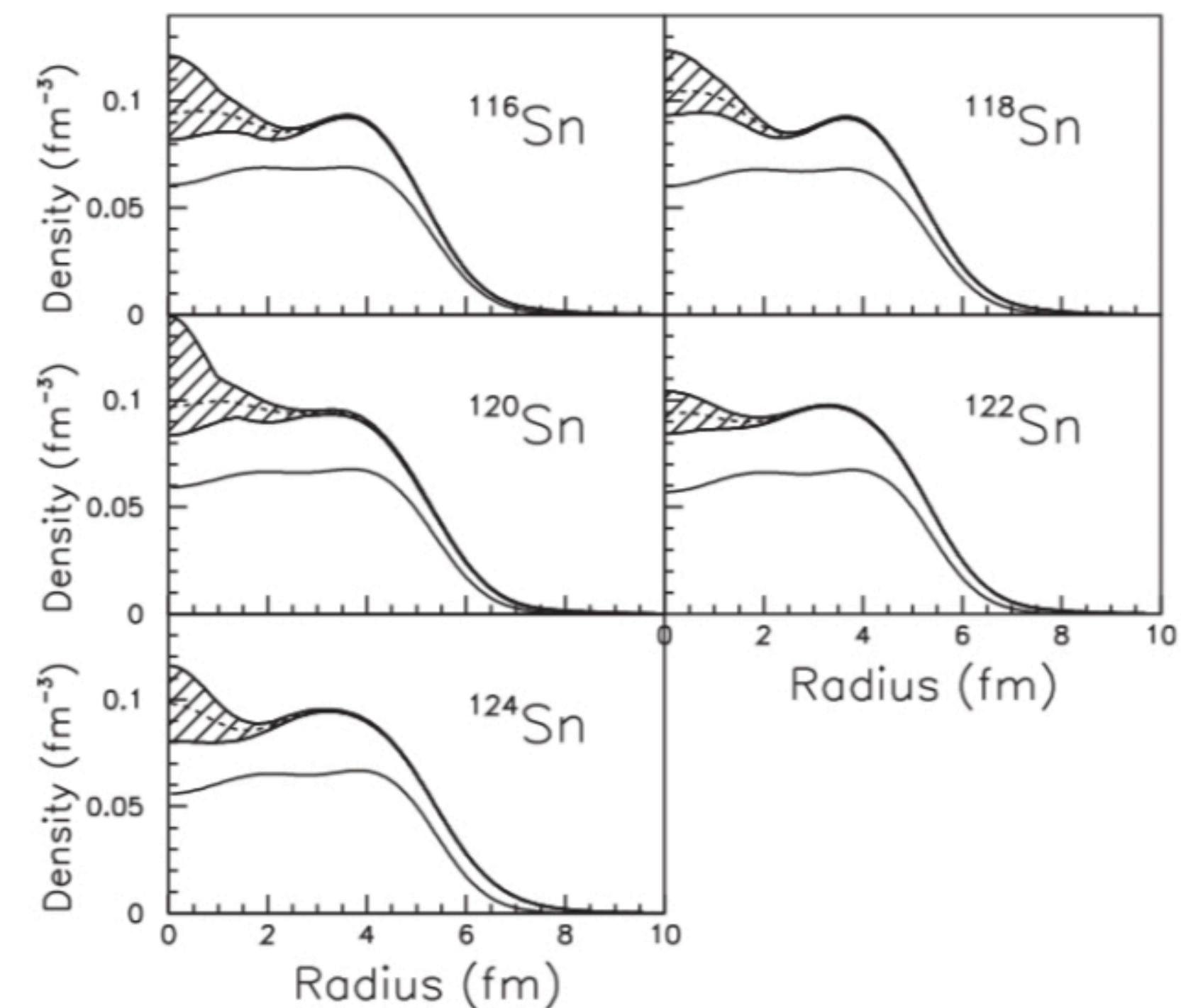
• Effective number approach \Leftrightarrow Green function method※

• Residual interaction between pion and neutron hole※※

• modification of absorption term ($\rho_p^2 + 2\rho_n\rho_p + \rho_n^2$)

• new spectroscopic factor data. Szwec et al., Phys. Rev. C **104**, 054308 (2021).

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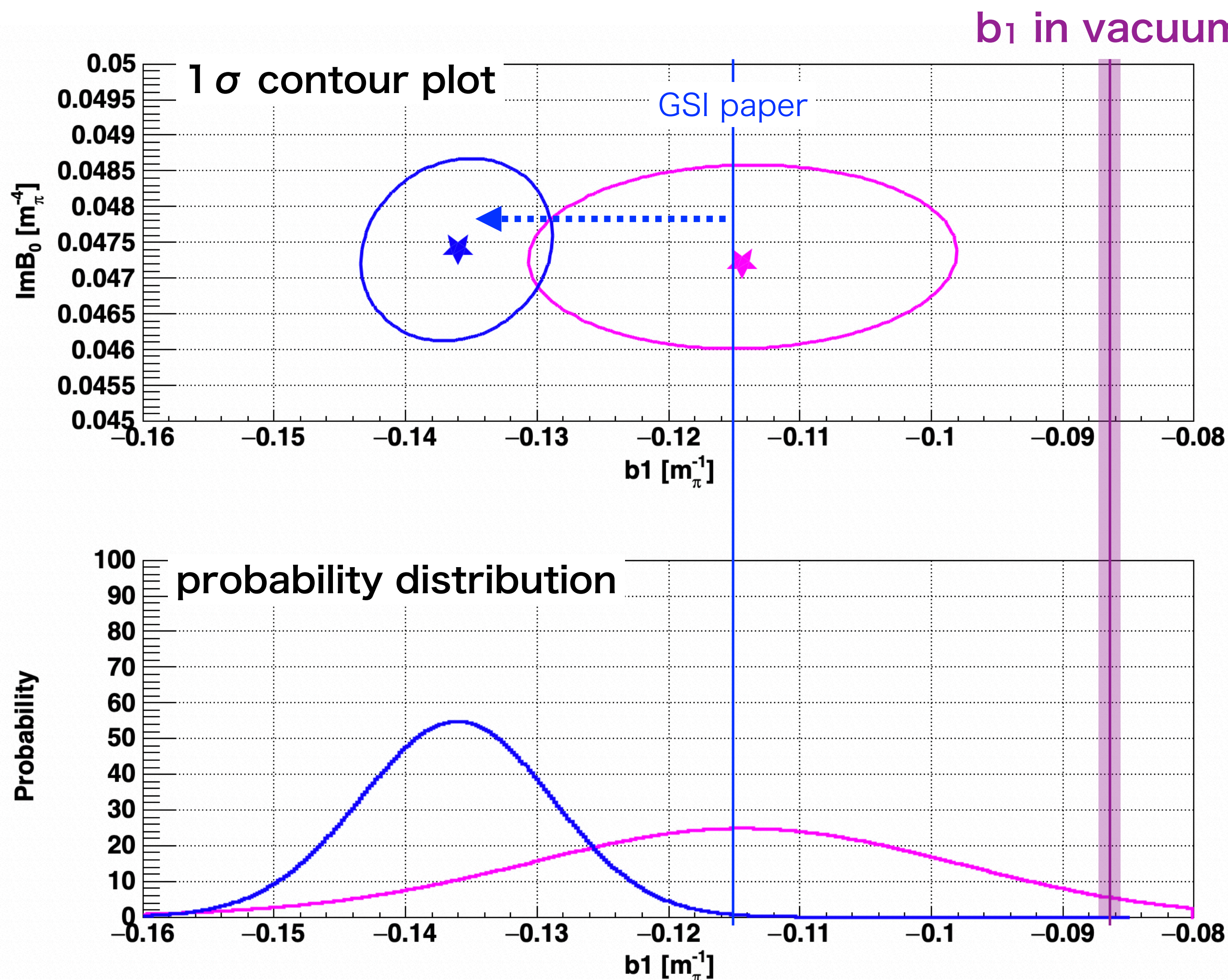
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B_{1s} / Γ_{1s} in $^{121} \text{Sn}$ @ RIKEN RIBF

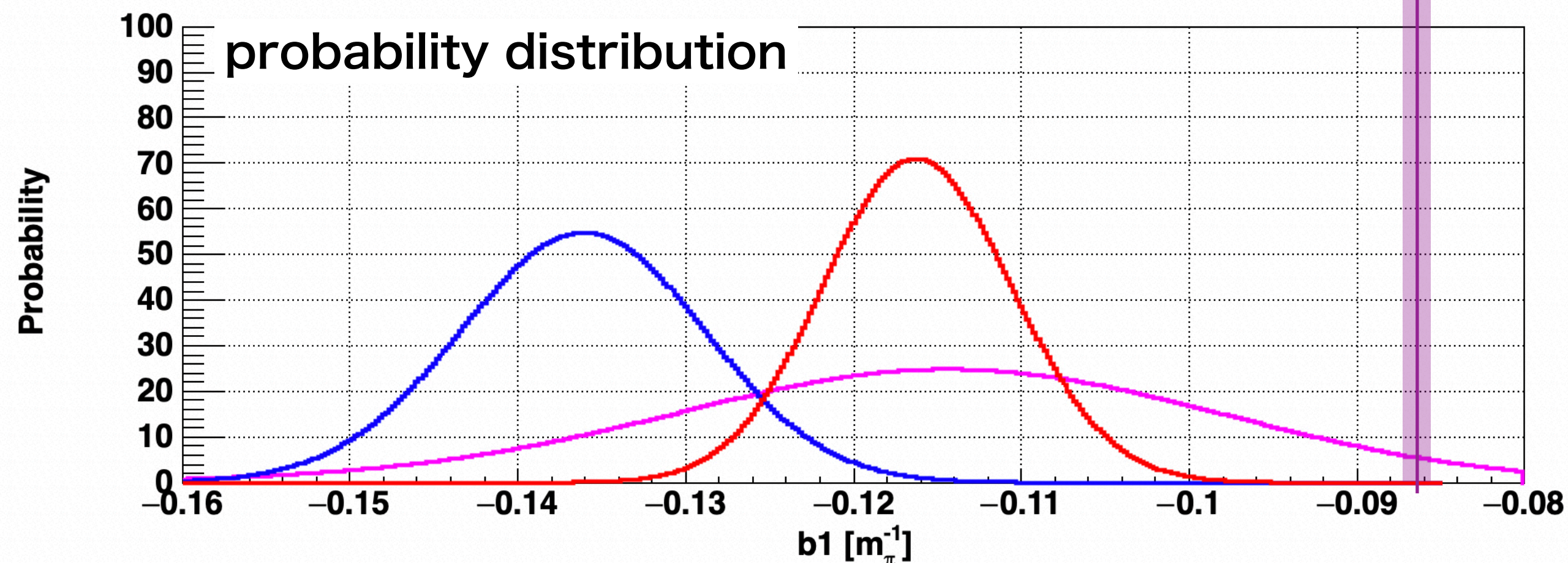
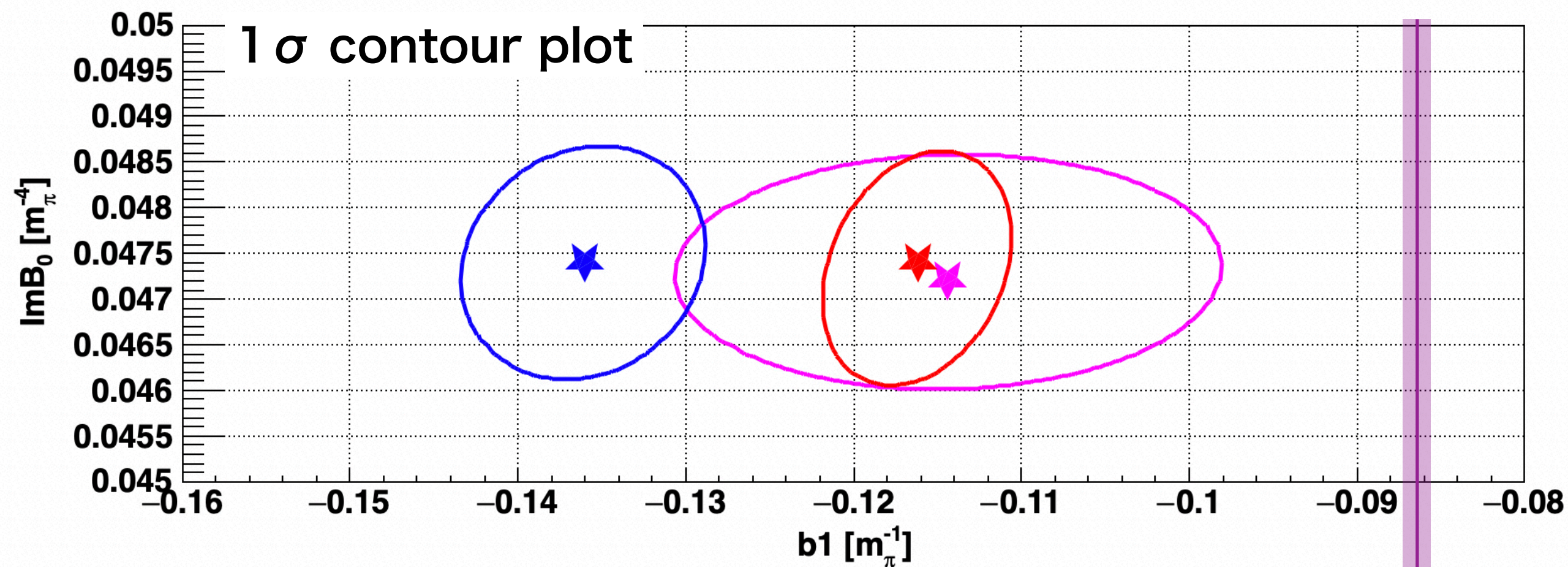
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b_1 in vacuum



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$B_{1s}, B_{2p} / \Gamma_{1s}, \Gamma_{2p}$ in $^{121} \text{Sn}$ @ RIKEN RIBF

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- b_1 is determined most precisely so far from $1s$ and $2p$ info.

$$b_1 = (-0.1163 \pm 0.0056)m_\pi^{-1}$$

Chiral symmetry in medium

b_1 in medium \Leftrightarrow chiral symmetry in medium

from K. Itahashi *et al.*, Hadron 2023

$$\frac{\langle q\bar{q} \rangle_{\rho=\rho}}{\langle q\bar{q} \rangle_{\rho=0}} = \left(\frac{b_1(0)}{b_1(\rho)} \right)^{1/2} \left(1 - \gamma \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \right)$$

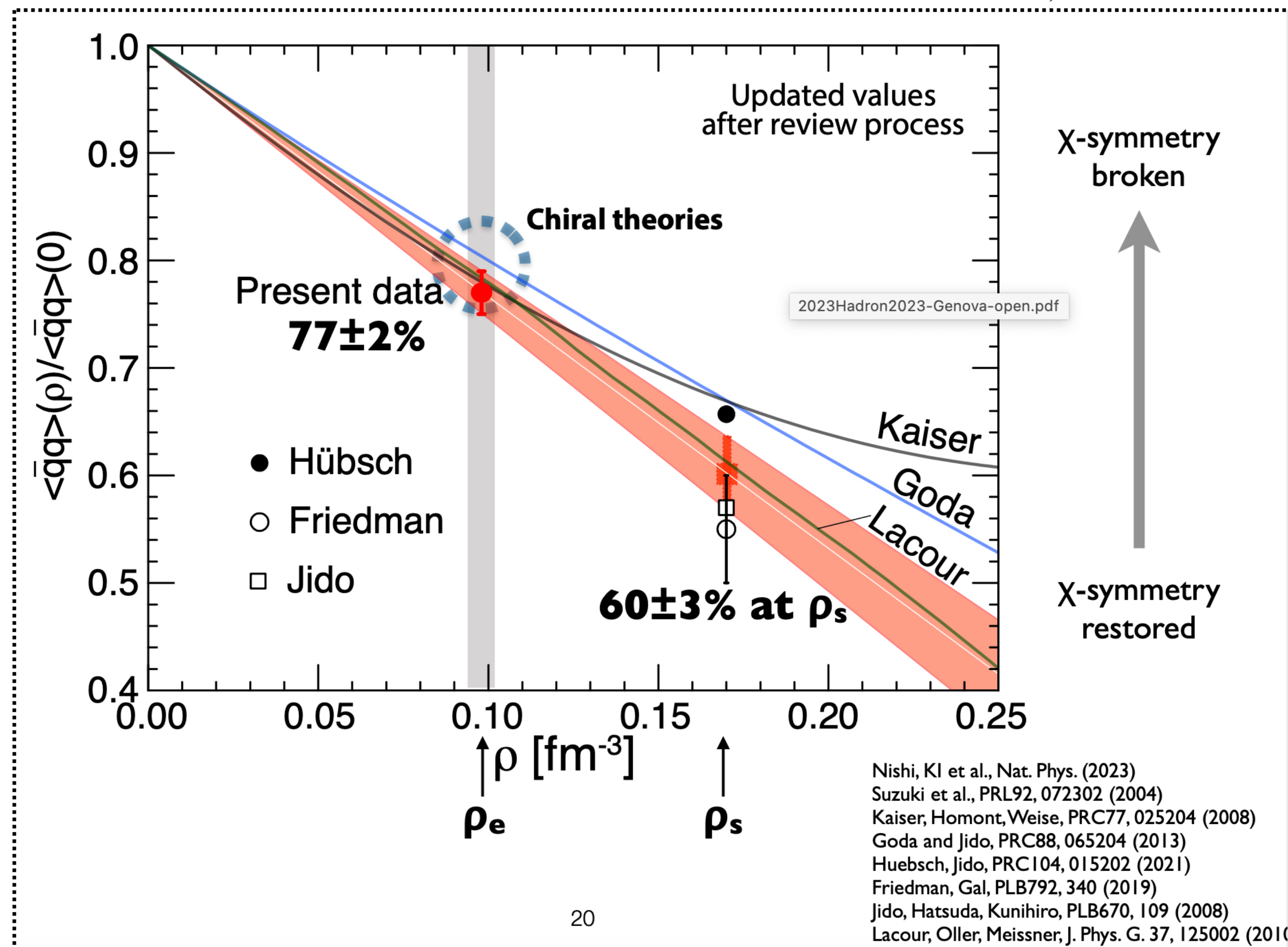
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$$\Leftrightarrow \langle q\bar{q} \rangle_{\rho=\rho} / \langle q\bar{q} \rangle_{\rho=0} = 77 \pm 2 [\%] @ \rho_{\text{eff.}}$$

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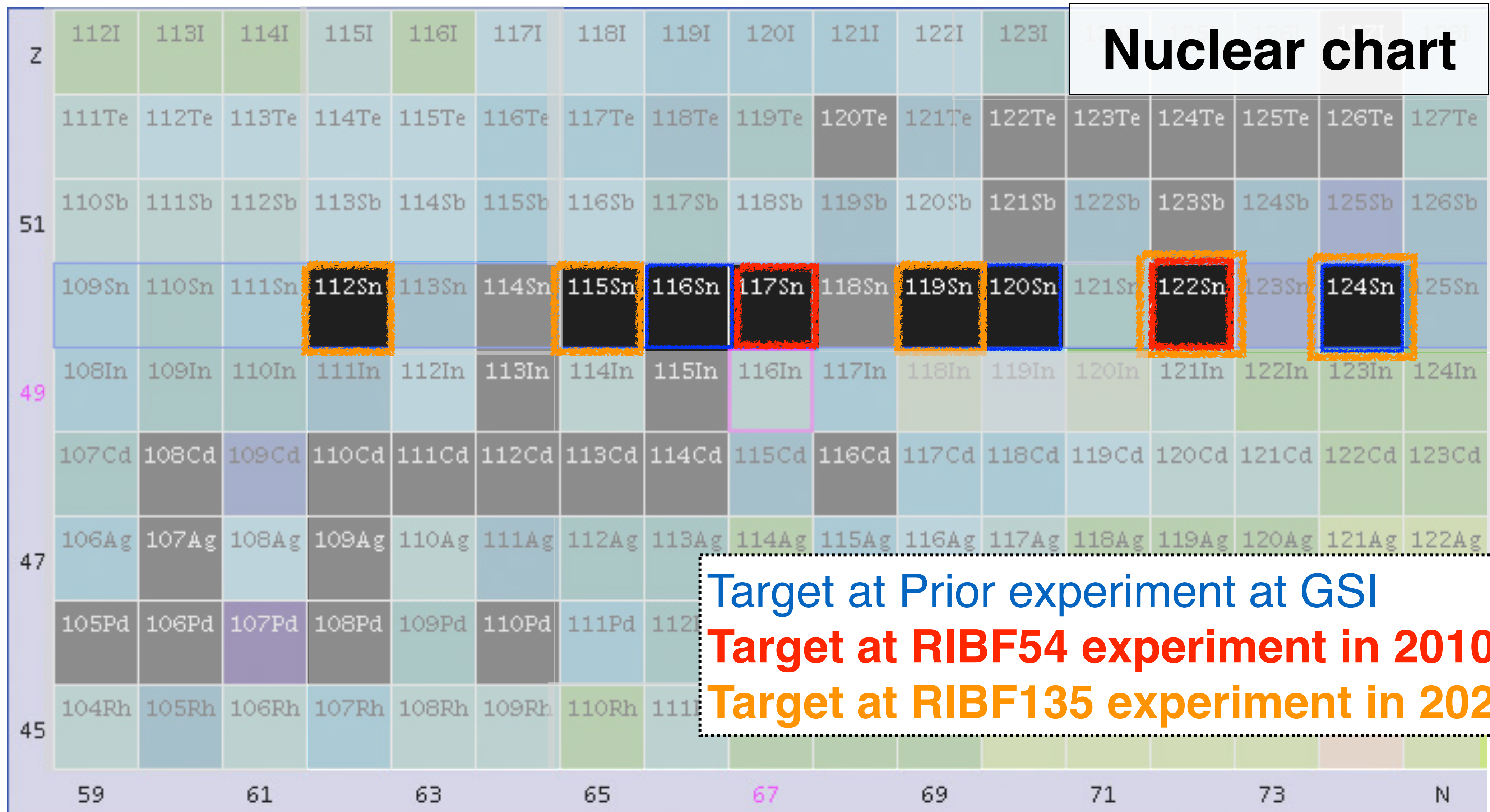


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Summary

- Deeply bound pionic atom is a unique “meson in nucleus” system, and is a good probe for the QCD in finite density.
- So far, we performed the precision measurement of the deeply bound pionic atom at RIKEN RIBF to evaluate the chiral symmetry in medium.
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 - establishment of the experimental method for pionic atom spectroscopy,
 - observation of the angular dependence of $(d, 3\text{He})$ reaction cross section
 - discovery of the discrepancy S_{1s}/S_{2p} in measurement and theoretical prediction.
- In the precision experiment in 2014, we improved experimental/analytical methods and succeeded in
 - Simultaneous and precision measurement of $(1s)_\pi, (2p)_\pi$ state
 - determination of b_1 with unprecedented precision, which indicate the $\langle q\bar{q} \rangle(\rho_{eff})$ is reduced by **$77 \pm 2 \%$** , corresponding to the $68 \pm 3 \%$ reduction of $\langle q\bar{q} \rangle(\rho_0)$ with linear extrapolation.

Targets in the experiment at RIKEN

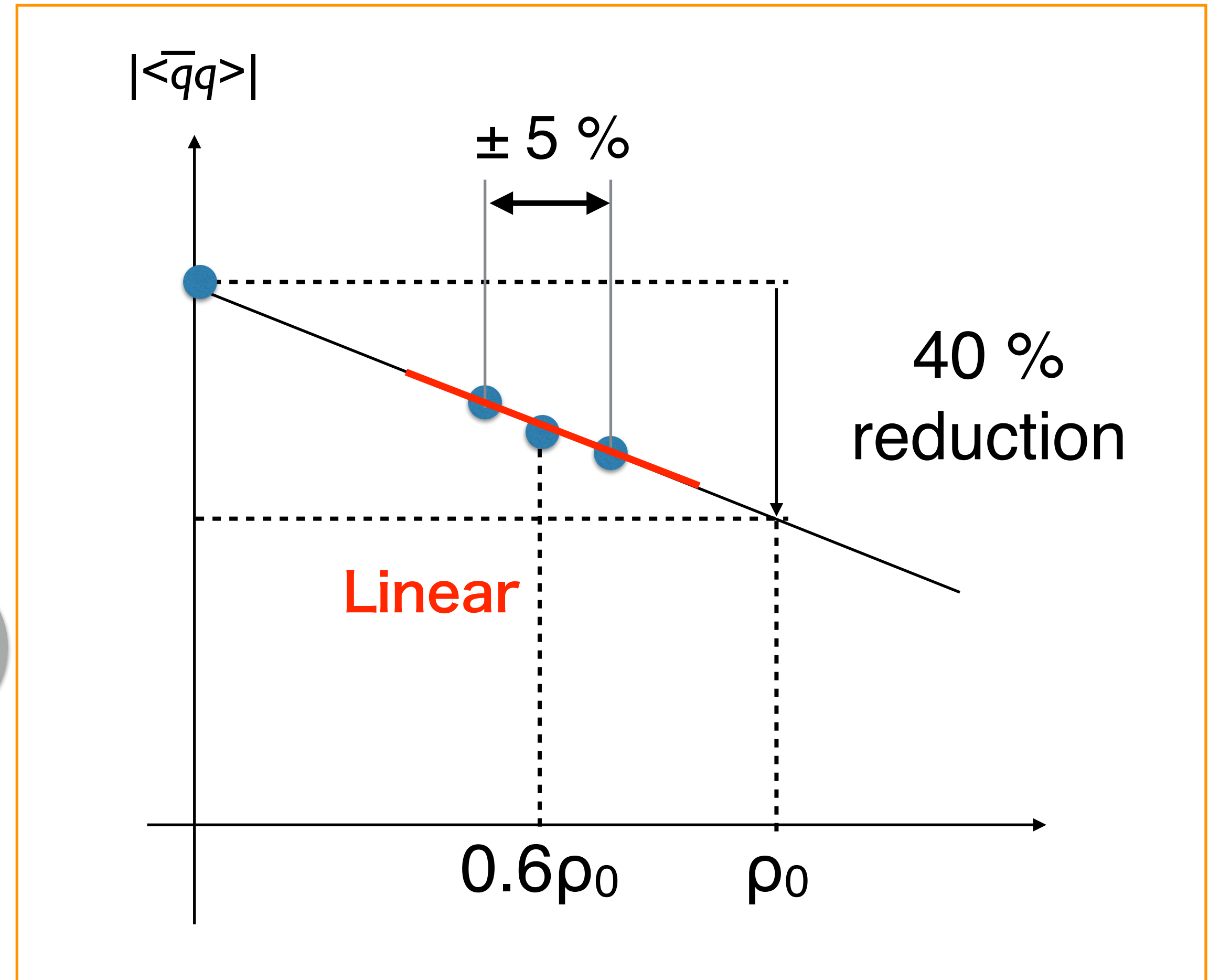
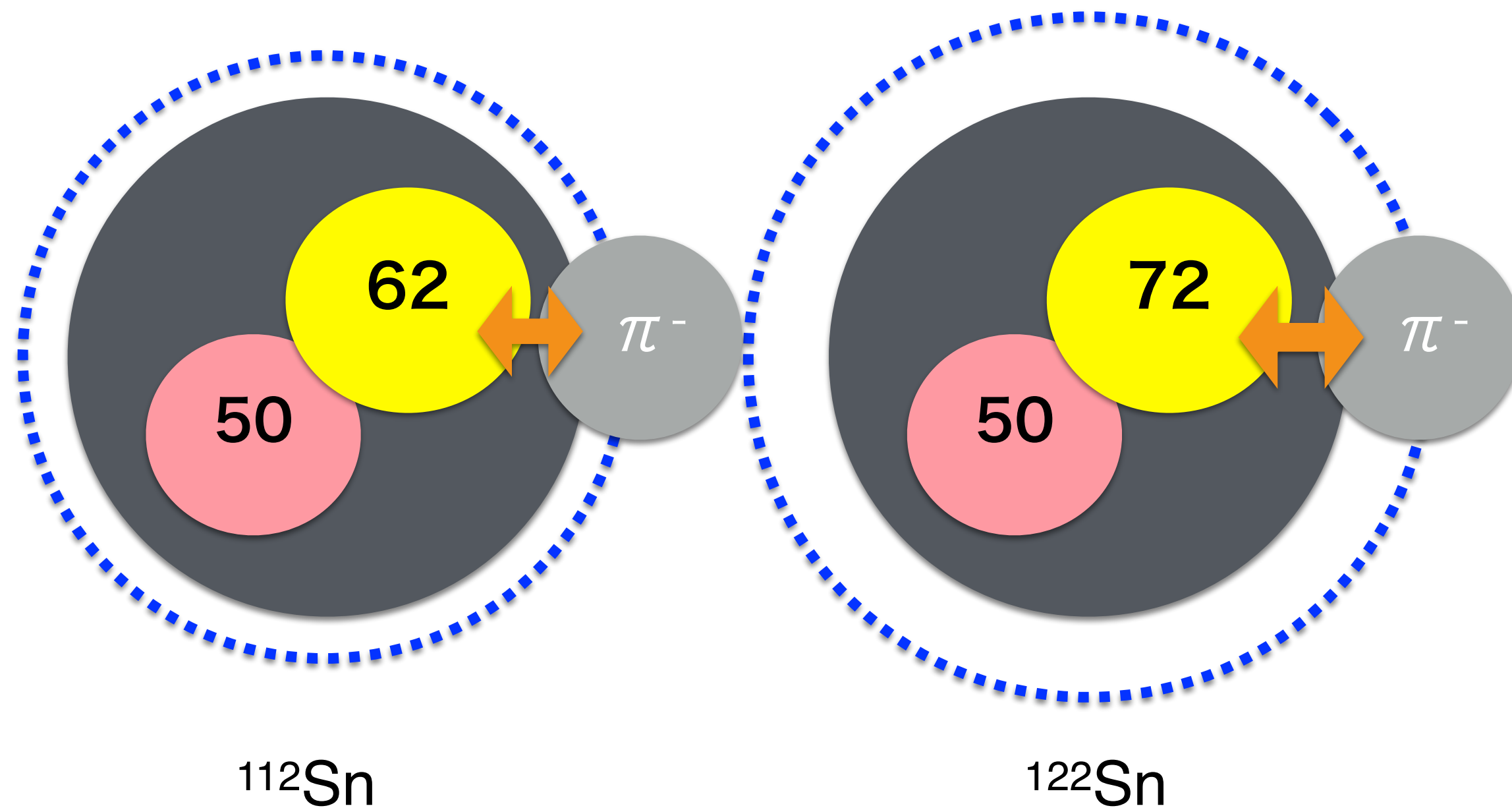


Target at Prior experiment at GSI
 Target at RIBF54 experiment in 2010, 2014
 Target at RIBF135 experiment in 2021

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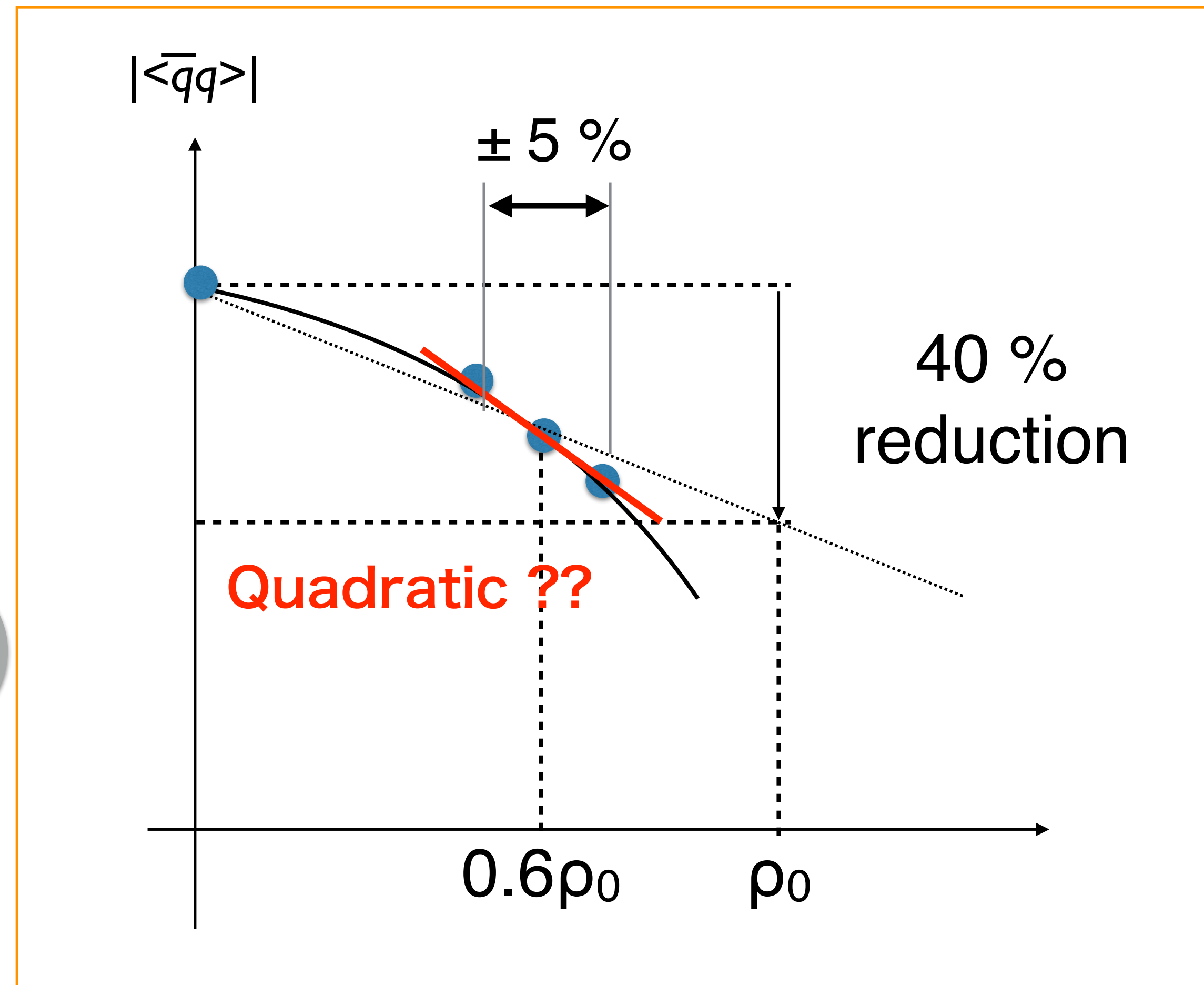
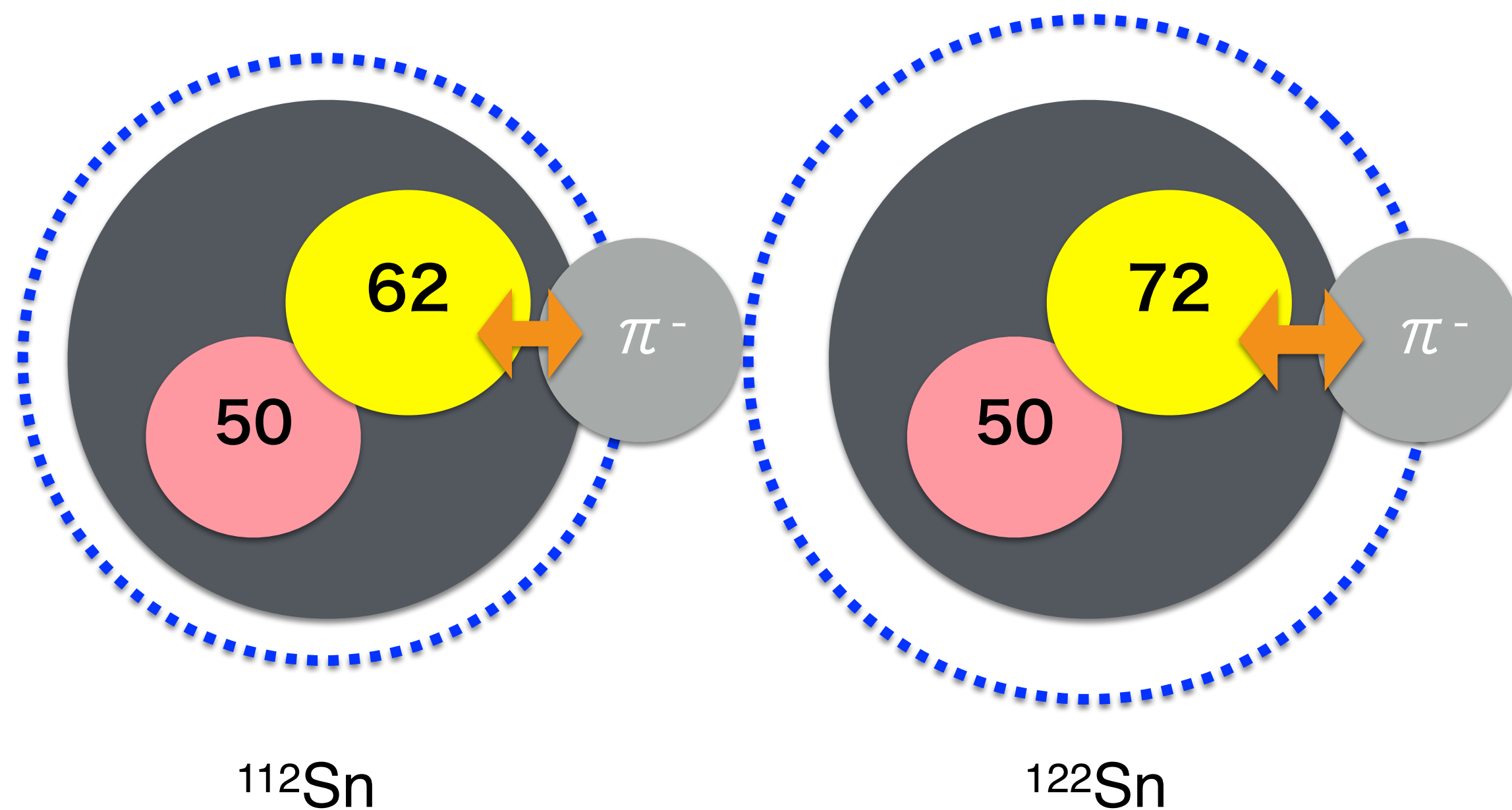
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Current works: beam dynamics × machine learning

not deep learning

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Optics tuning at RIBF:
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Beam tuning with Humans

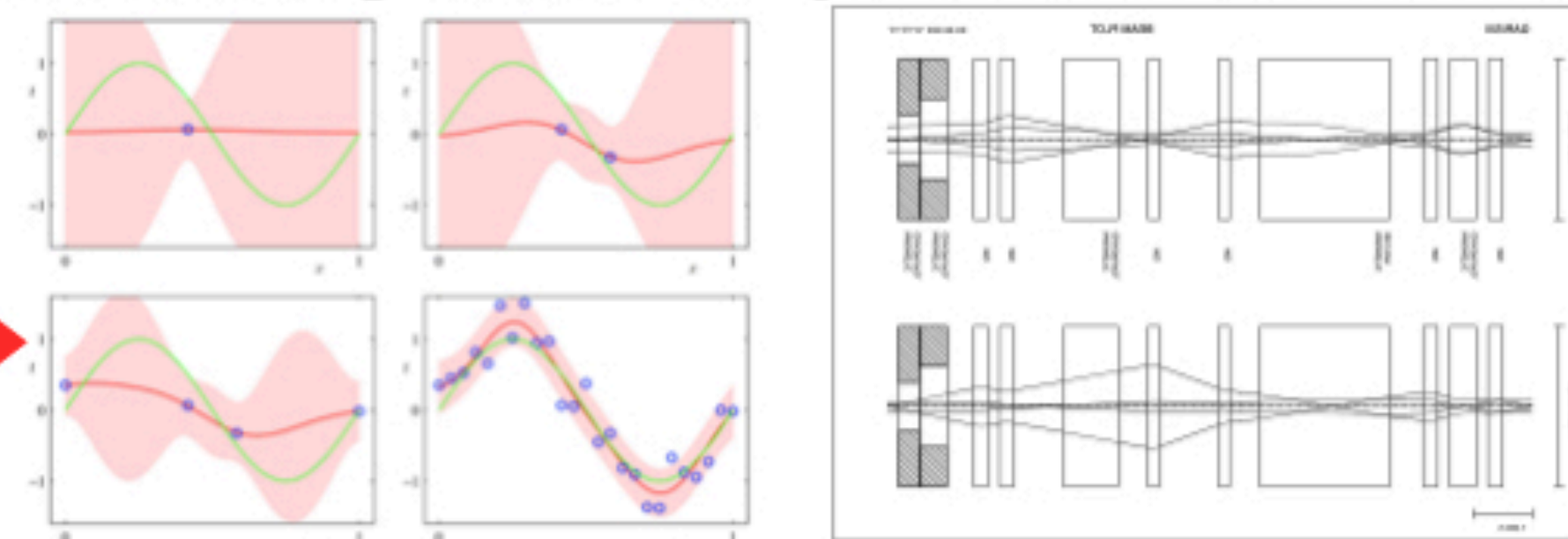


Beam dynamics calculation



Manual tuning based on
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Beam tuning with Beam dynamics × Machine learning



C. M. Bishop, Pattern Recognition
and Machine Learning, Springer (2006)

Beam dynamics calculation



feedback

Optimize beyond human ← Machine learning
Continuous adjustment ← Beam dynamics × BPM*

* Beam Position Monitor

Welcome for the various difficult
requirements to the primary beam !
(not just beam intensity...)



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