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# **Development of Neutron Polarization Measurement System for Studying *NN* Interaction in Nuclear Medium**

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# The importance of nuclear medium effect

## ● Nucleus

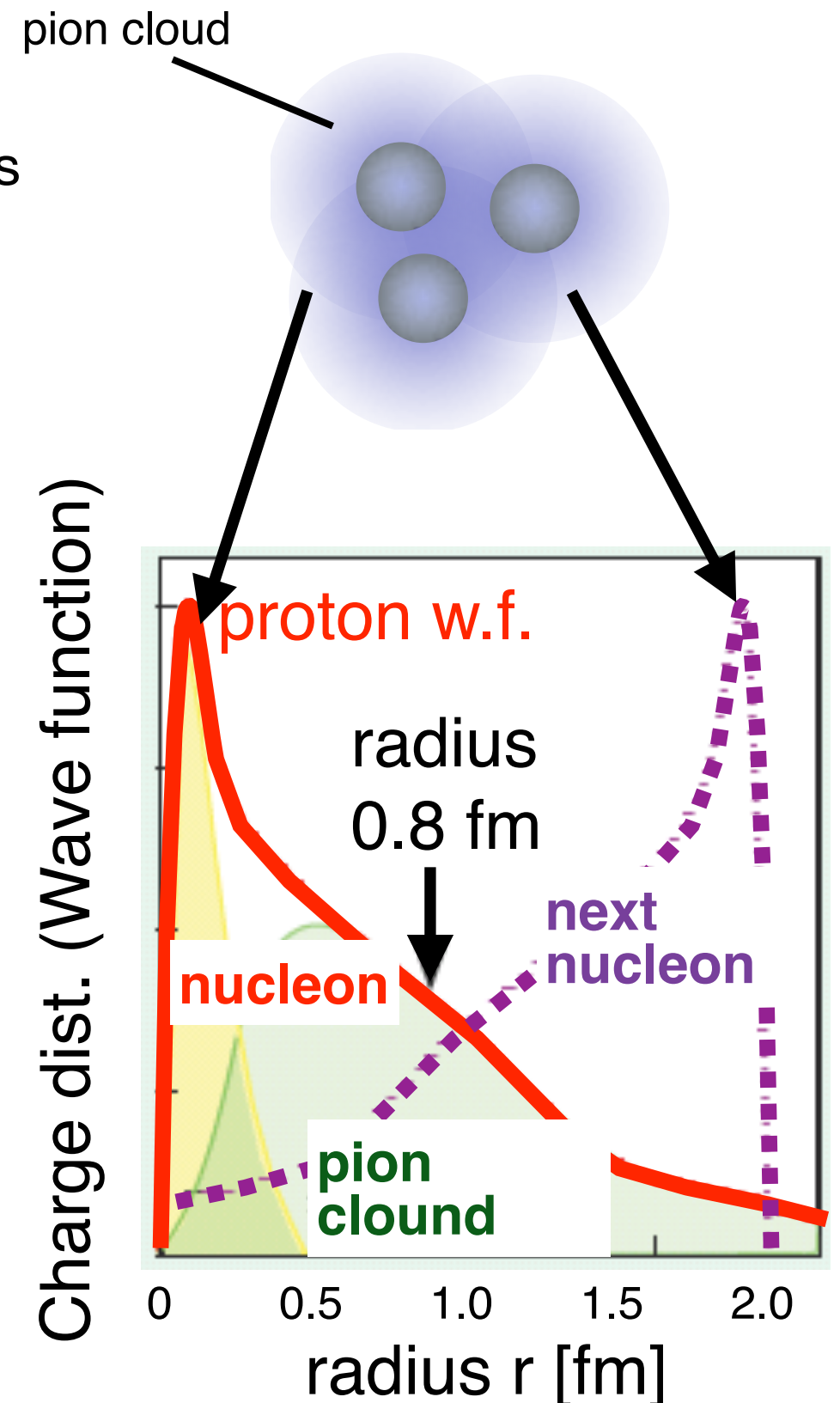
- quantum many-body system consists of nucleons
- size of nucleon :  $\sim 0.8$  fm
- average nucleon distance in nucleus :  $\sim 1.8$  fm

➔ nucleons are overlap in nucleus

## ● In nuclear medium

- Change the nucleon • meson properties ?
- ➔ Modified the *NN* int. in nuclear medium ?

➔ Nuclear medium effect is crucial for understanding nuclear system.



# How to study the medium effect

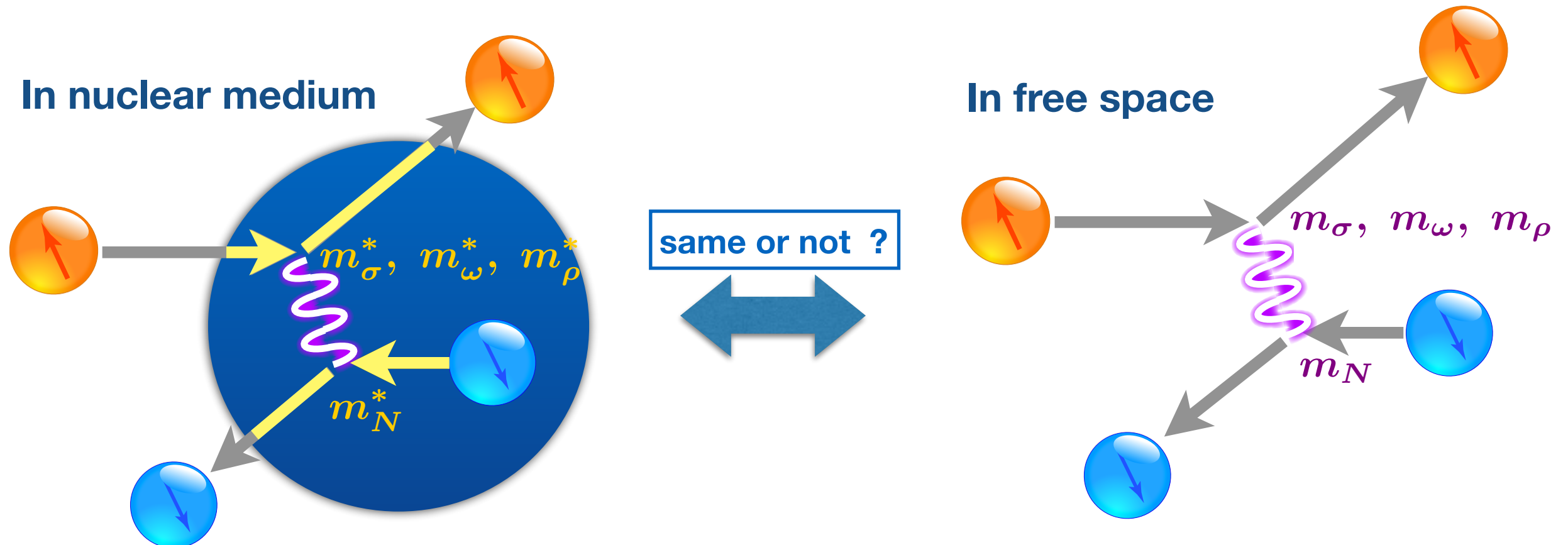
## ◎ Quasi-elastic knock out reaction

- intermediate kinetic energy  $\sim 300$  MeV
- de Broglie wave length  $<$  average nucleon distance ( $\sim 2$  fm)

► incident nucleon directly interact with an in-medium nucleon

## ◎ Comparison of $NN$ scattering in free space and in nuclear medium

- Medium effects on  $NN$  int.
- Density dependence



# Spin observables and medium effects

## ● Origin of medium effects

- Fermi motion
  - Distortions
  - Pauli blocking
- } **controllable**
- Modification of meson mass and coupling constants
  - ★ Restoration of chiral symmetry in nuclear medium

## ● Meson property

	$\sigma$	$\omega$	$\rho$
mass (MeV/c <sup>2</sup> )	~550	770	782.6
range (fm)	~0.18	0.128	0.126
Potential	$V^\sigma = g_{\sigma NN}^2 \frac{1}{k^2 + m_\sigma^2} \left( -1 + \frac{q^2}{2M_N^2} - \frac{k^2}{8M_N^2} - \frac{LS}{2M_N^2} \right)$	$V^\omega = g_{\omega NN}^2 \frac{1}{k^2 + m_\omega^2} \left( 1 - 3 \frac{LS}{2M_N^2} \right)$	$V^\rho = g_{\rho NN}^2 \frac{k^2}{k^2 + m_\rho^2} \left( -2\sigma_1\sigma_2 + S_{12}(\hat{k}) \right) \tau_1\tau_2$

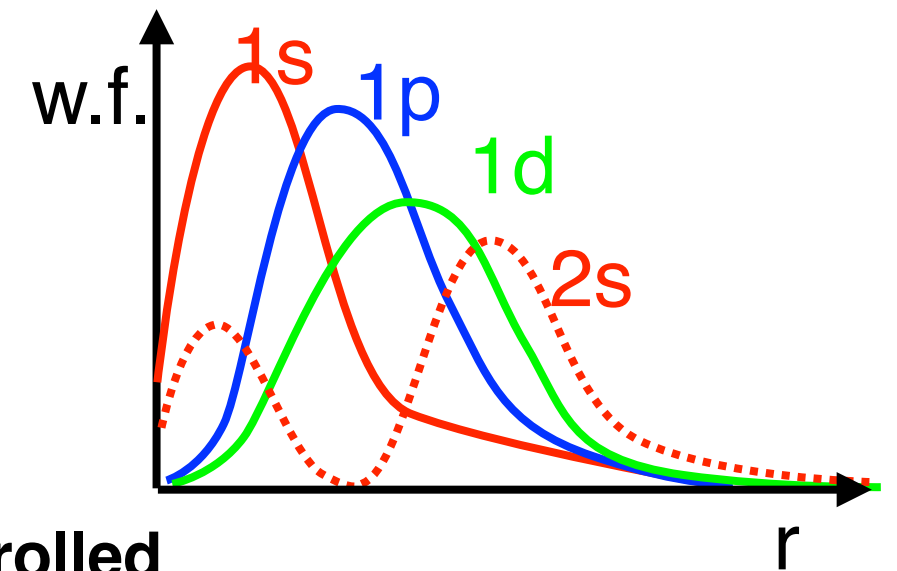
- $\sigma$ ,  $\omega$ ,  $\rho$  have large mass compared with  $\pi$  (138.03 MeV/c<sup>2</sup>)
  - ▶ short range interaction
- $\sigma$ ,  $\omega$ ,  $\rho$  have different spin dependence term

➡ Spin observables are important to understand how each meson modified in nuclear medium.

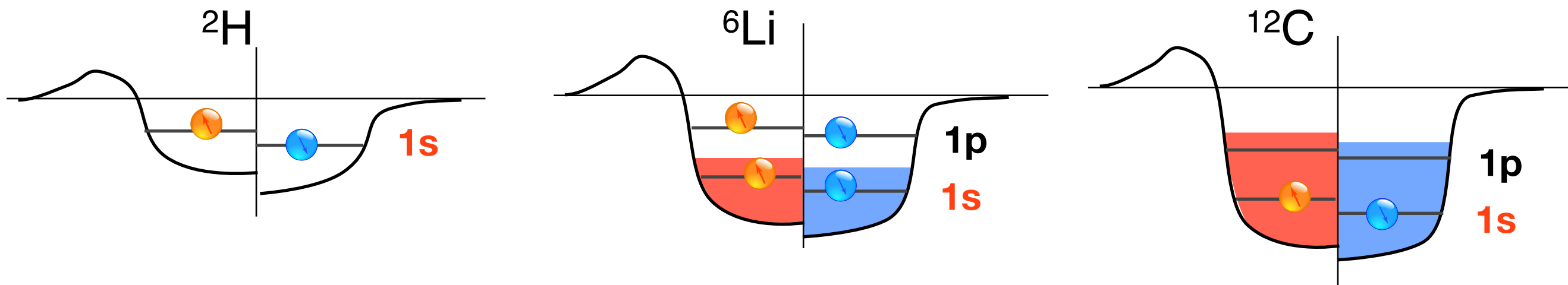
# How to study the density dependence

## ● Radial wave function of each L

- only s-orbit ( $L=0$ ) has no centrifugal force
- deeply bound
- can be high density



## ● Effective nuclear density can be defined and controlled



$1s_{1/2}$ knockout	$2\text{H}$	$6\text{Li}$	$12\text{C}$
Effective density (relative to $\rho_0$ )	5%	20%	30%

**Measuring s-orbit provide a good basis for studying density dependence**

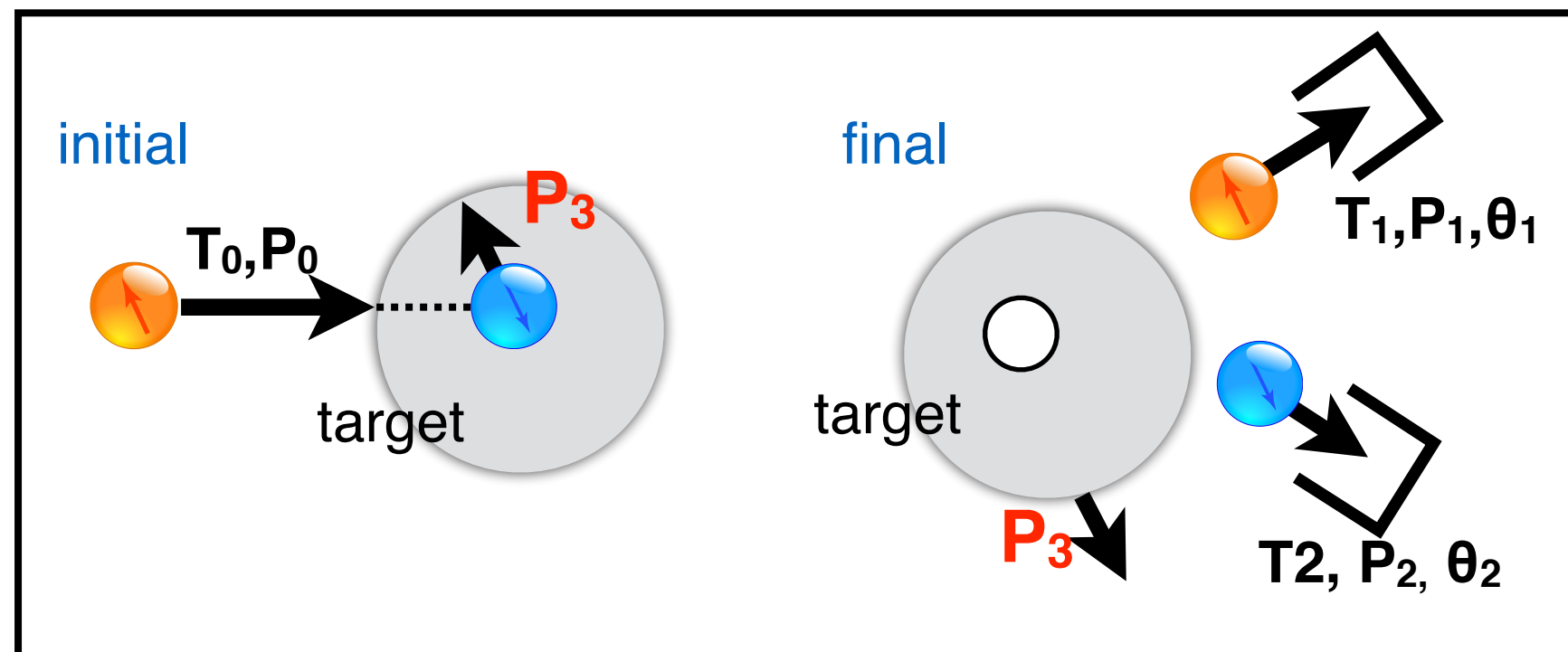
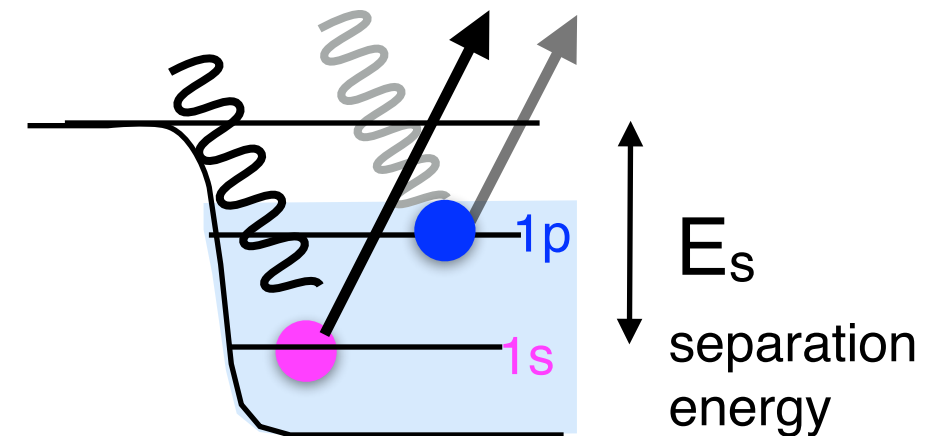
# Separation 1s-orbit via $(p,pN)$ reaction

## ● Exclusive $(p,pN)$ measurement

- measure both of two outgoing nucleons are explicitly detected
- measure kinetic energy (T), momentum (P) and angle ( $\theta$ )
  - ▶ recoil momentum  $P_3$  ( $T_3$ ) can be determined from the momentum and energy conservation
  - ▶ Separation energy can be specify

$$E_s = T_0 - (T_1 + T_2 + T_3)$$

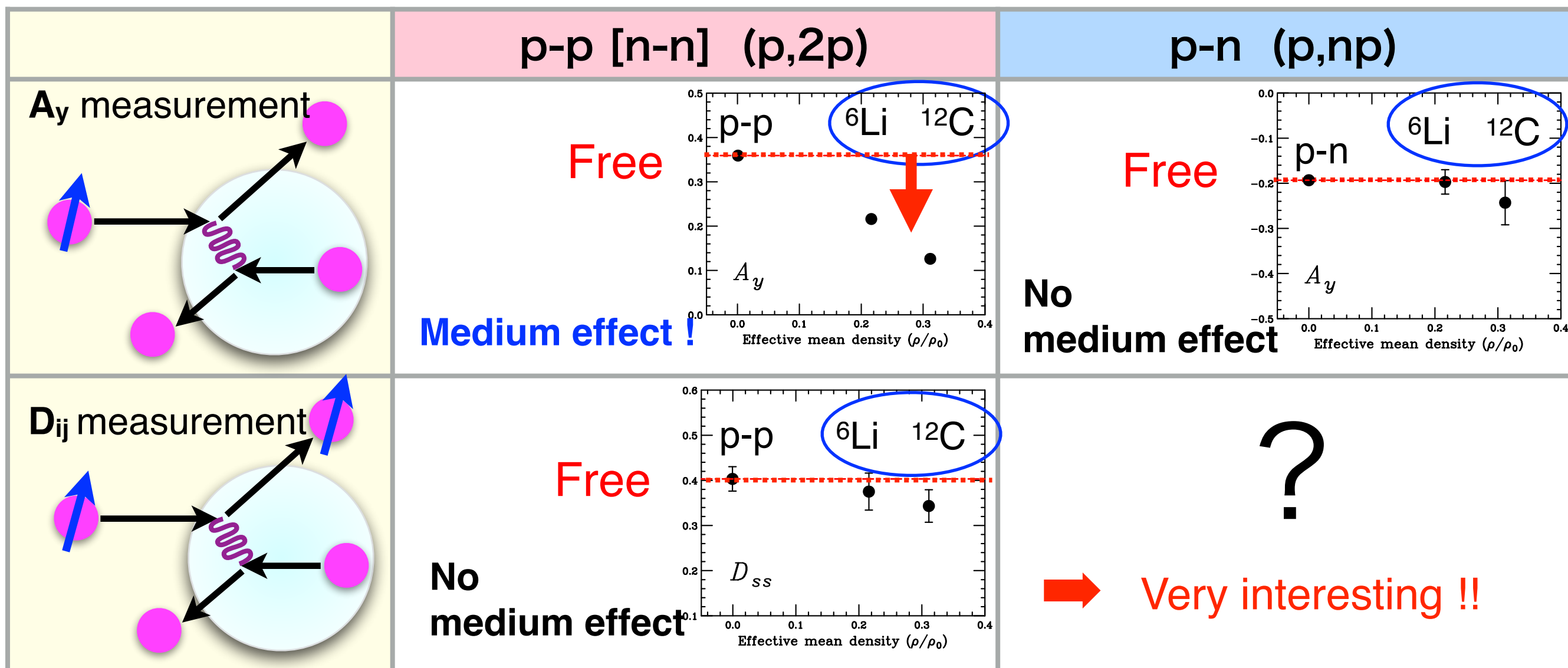
➔ Specify the 1s-orbit



# Medium effect studied through spin observables

## Spin observables

- Analyzing power ( $A_y$ ) : sensitive to the relative **phase** of NN int.
- Polarization transfer ( $D_{ij}$ ) : sensitive to the relative **amplitude** of NN int
  - medium effect in  $A_y$  is significantly different between [p-p] & [p-n]
    - How about the medium effect in  $D_{NN}$  in [p-n] ??



# Purpose of this work

- **Develop the measurement system for  $D_{NN}$  in (p,np) reaction**
  - 1s-orbit separation
  - Neutron polarization measurement



# Test experimental setup @ RCNP

**NPOL3**

neutron polarization  
measurement

**LAS**

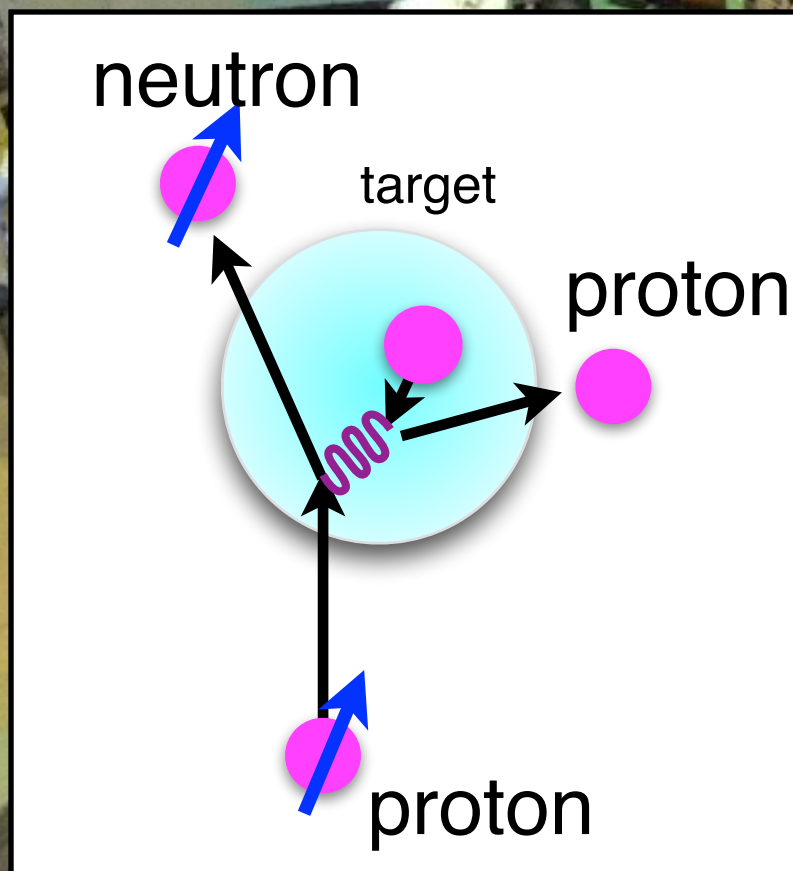
Recoil proton measurement

F.P.L 20m  
TOF ~ 100ns

22°

65°

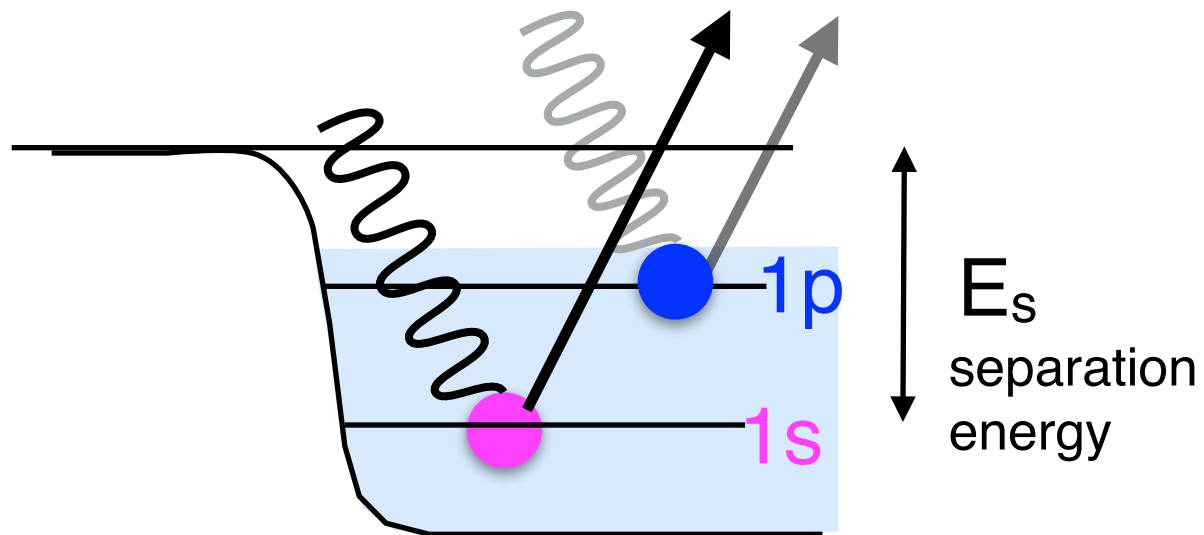
**Target**  
 $^2\text{H}$ ,  $^6\text{Li}$ ,  $^{12}\text{C}$   
total 2days measurement



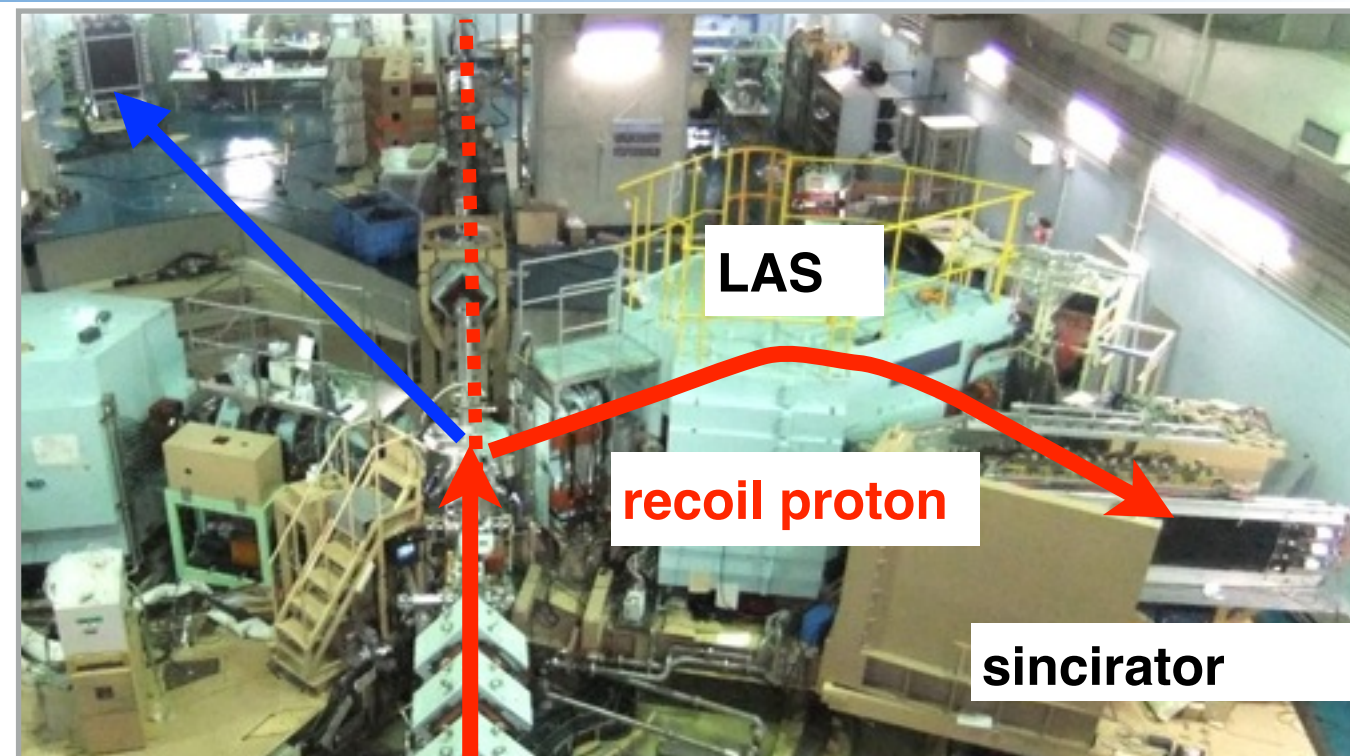
**Polarized proton beam**  
energy :  $T_p = 296$  MeV  
polarization :  $p_N \sim 0.4$



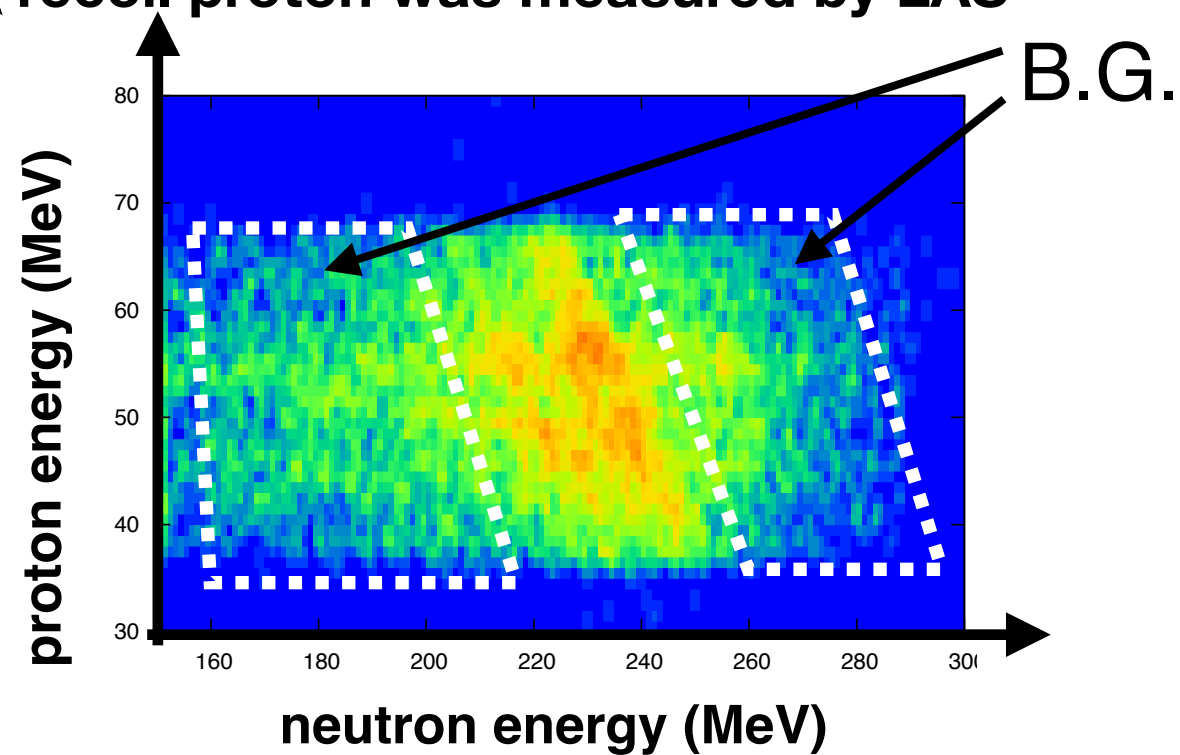
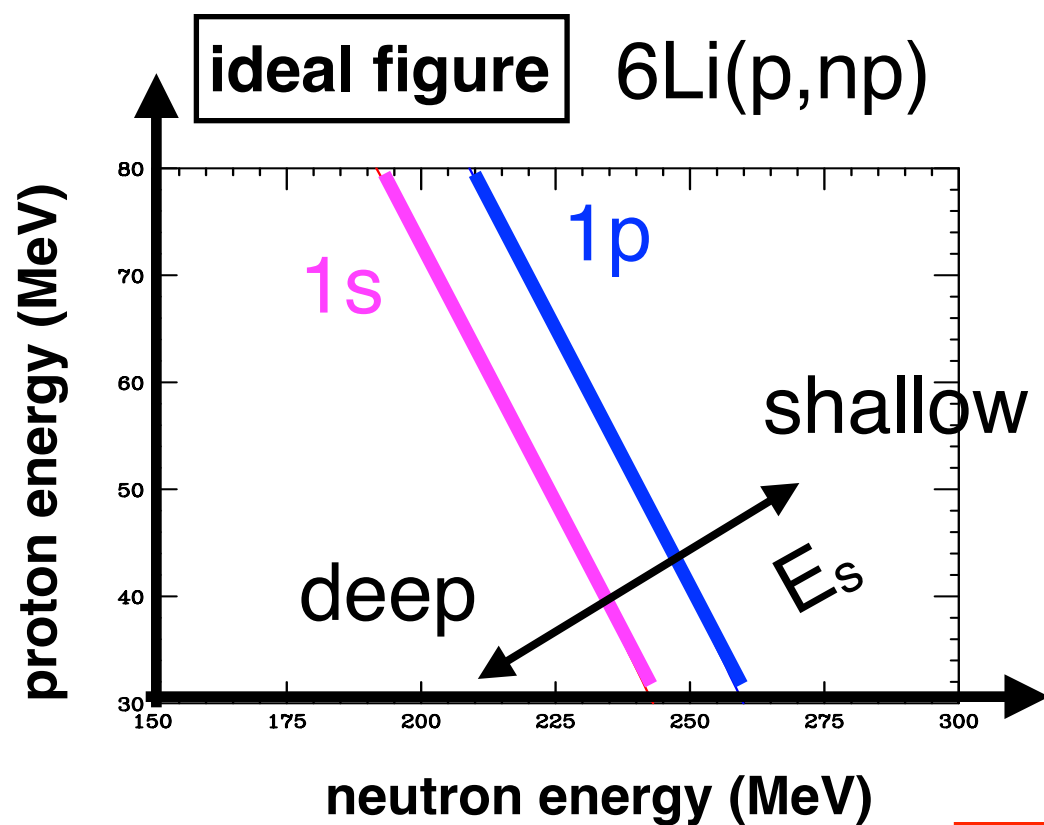
# Exclusive(p,np)measurement



★ need to separate 1s & 1p



★ recoil proton was measured by LAS



➡ need to suppress the B.G.

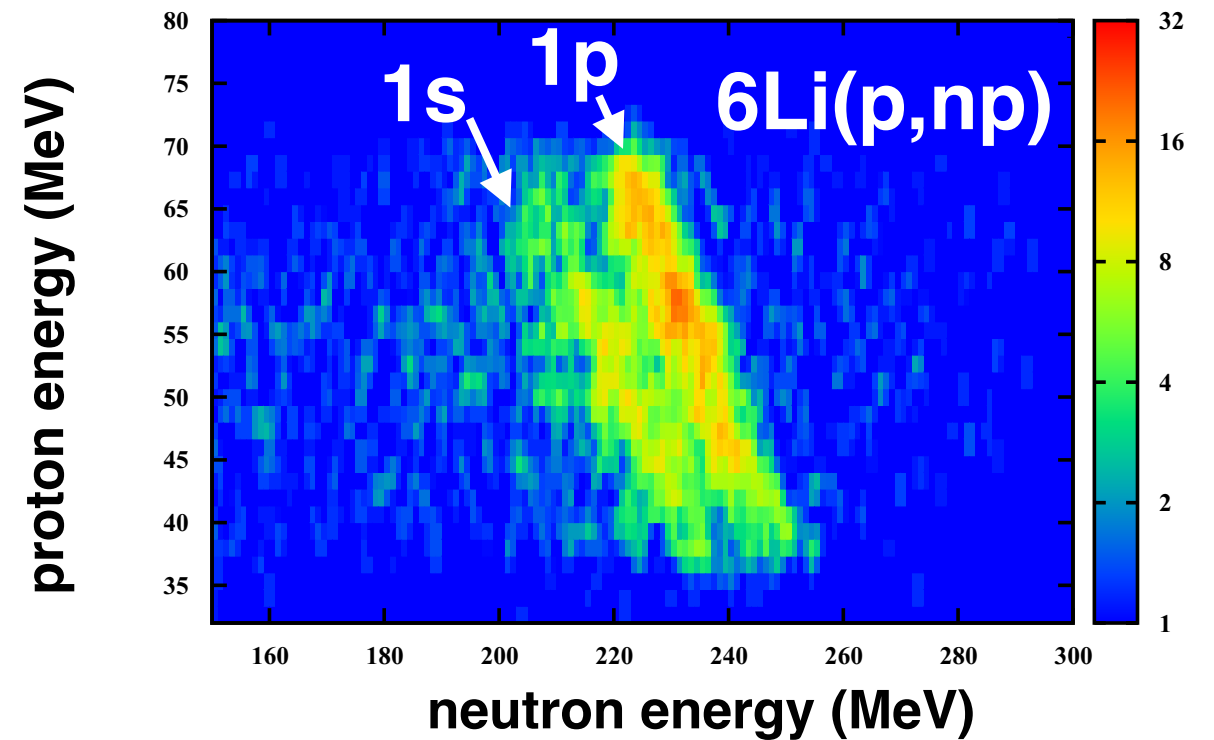
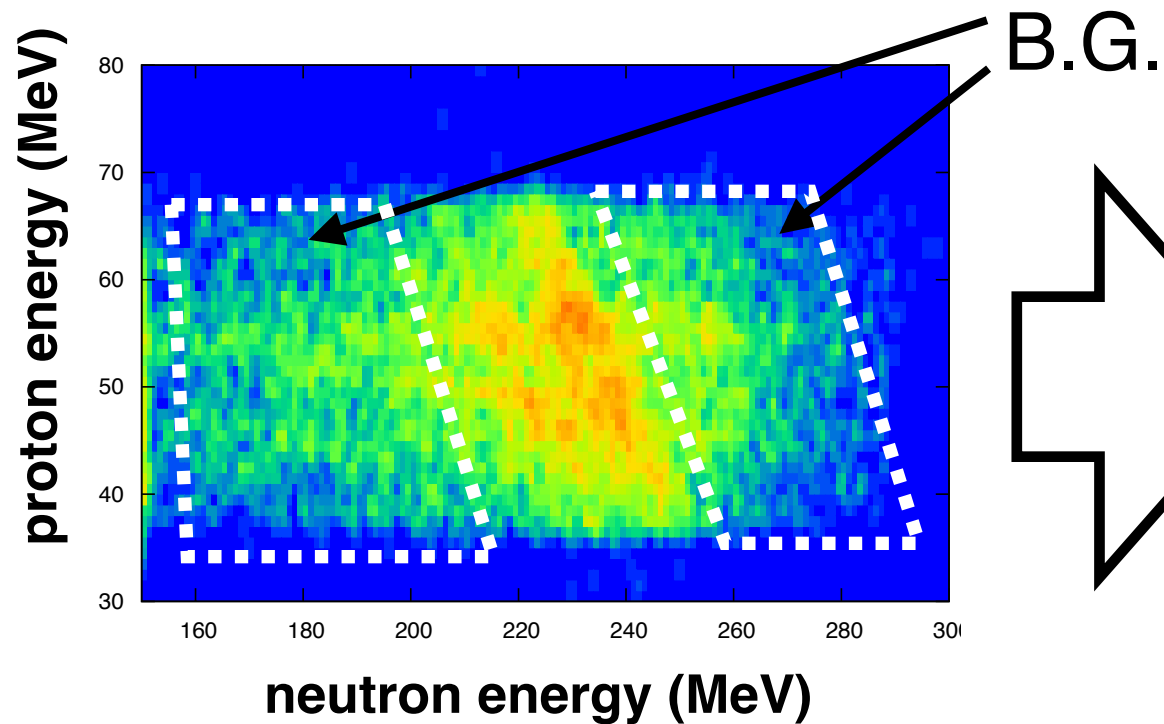
# Exclusive(p,np) measurement

● Analysis by using kinematic condition / NPOL-LAS time difference

✓ select the double scattering particle by NPOL3 : constrain on the neutron from target

✓ subtract accidental coincidence : constrain on the particle from same target

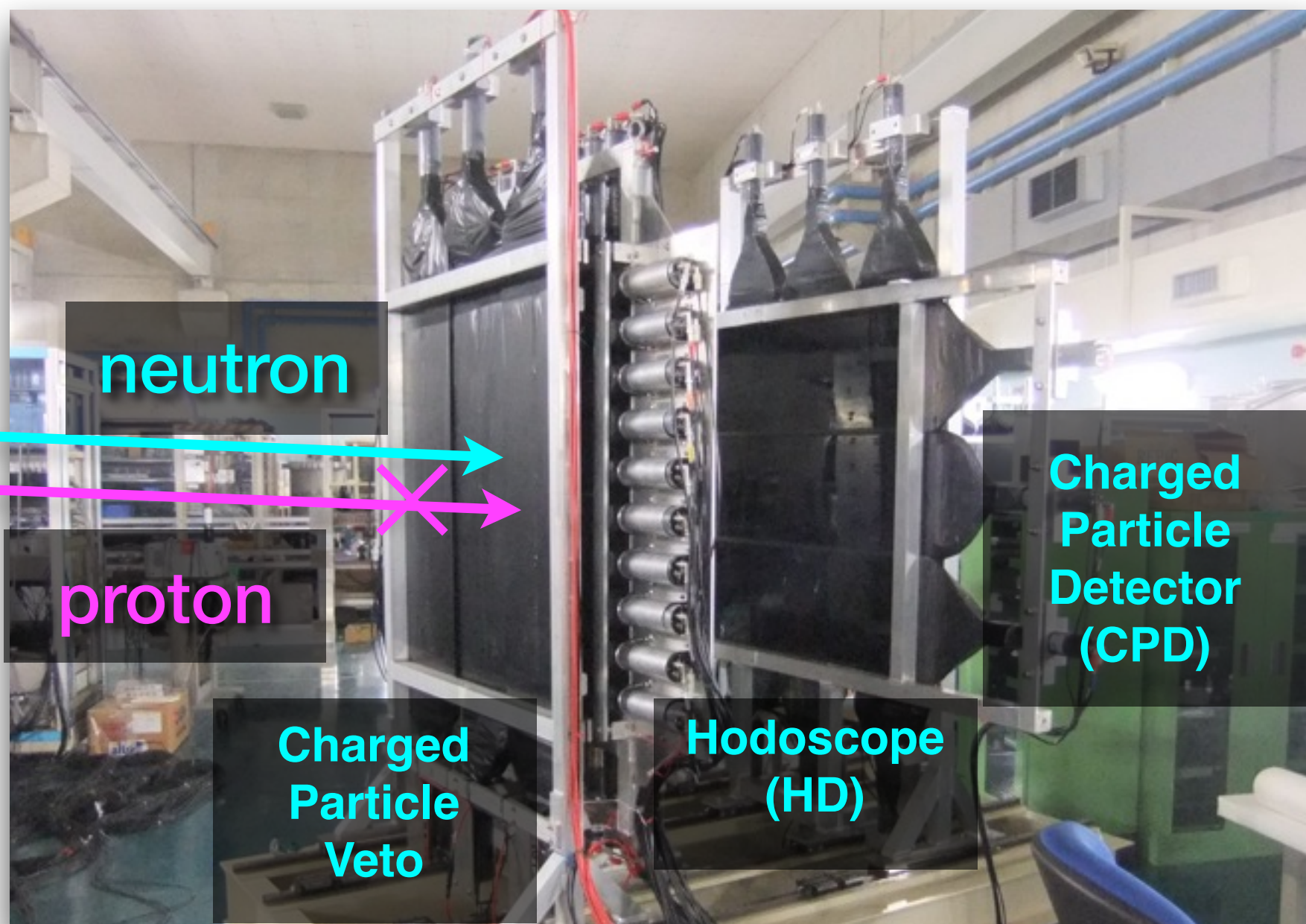
➔ reduce the B.G. & success to separate 1s 1p orbit



# Neutron detector NPOL3

## ● Neutron detector

- 20 sets of 100cm x 10cm x 5cm hodoscopes (HD)
- Charged particle veto (CPV) : 105cm x 35cm x 0.5cm
- Solid angle : 2.5 msr (flight pass length 20m)





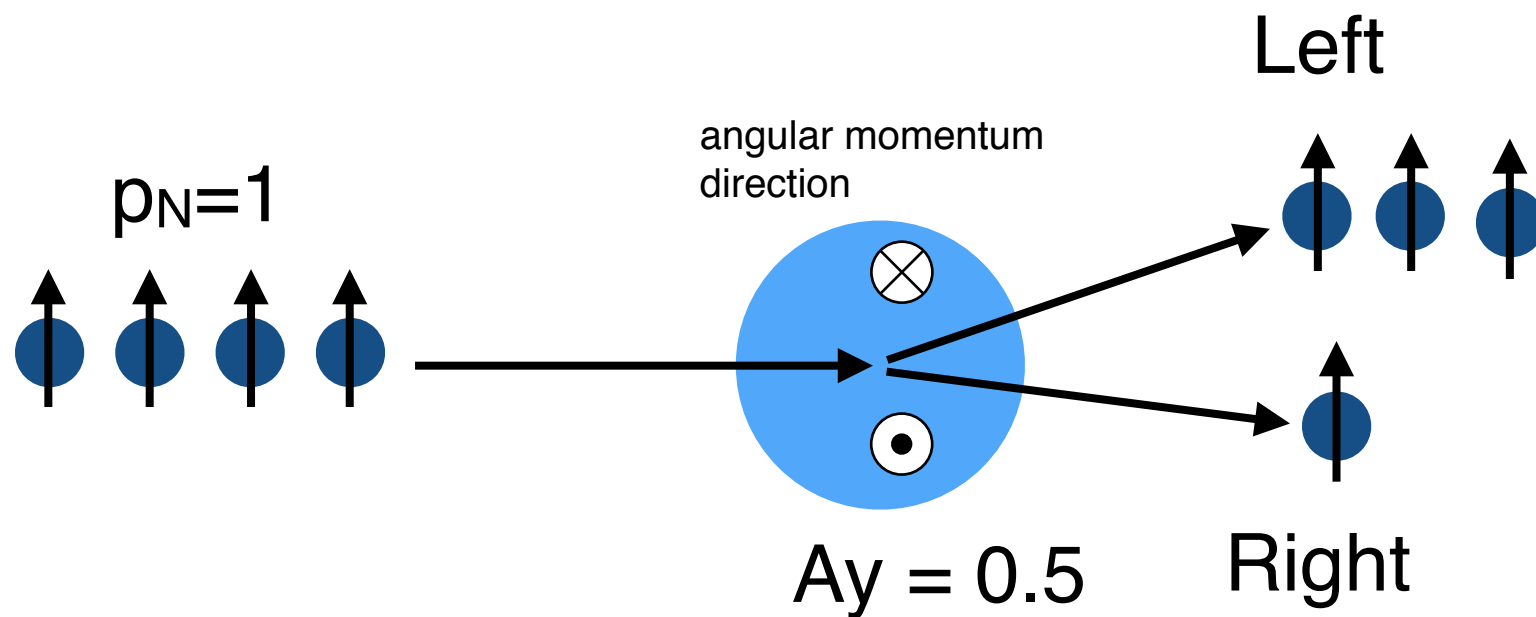
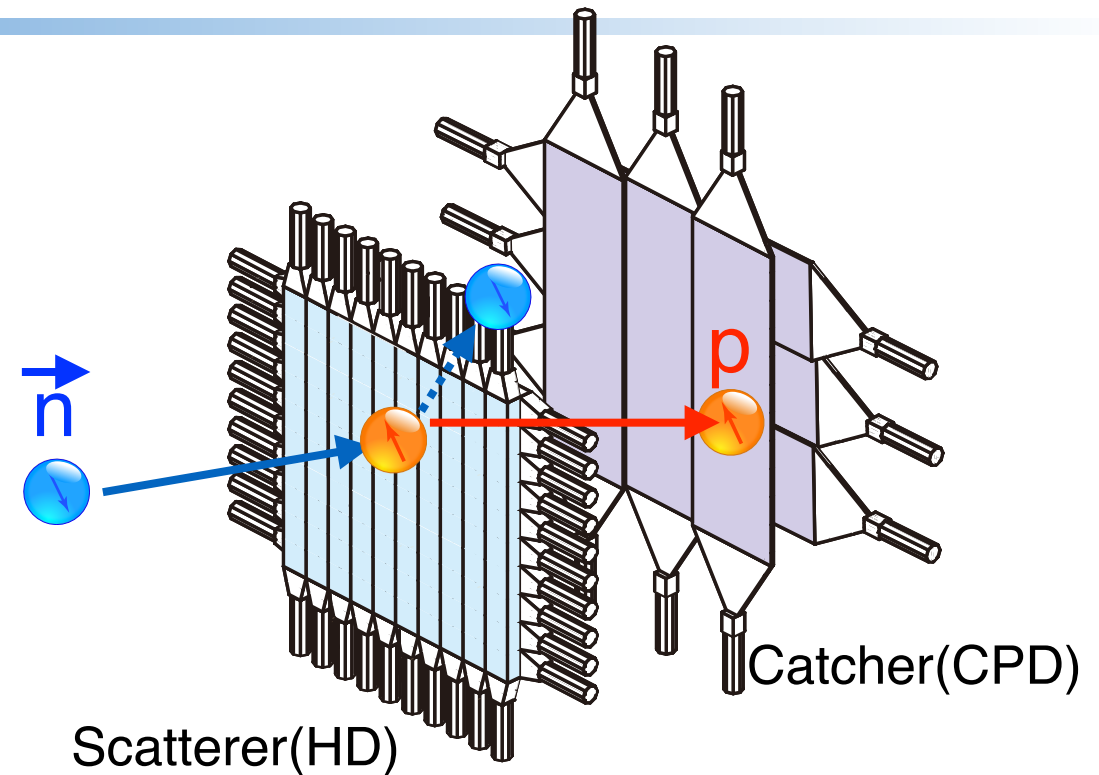
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- n+p scattering in HD
- detect the double scattering proton by CPD
- **double scattering asymmetry**  
→ **neutron polarization**

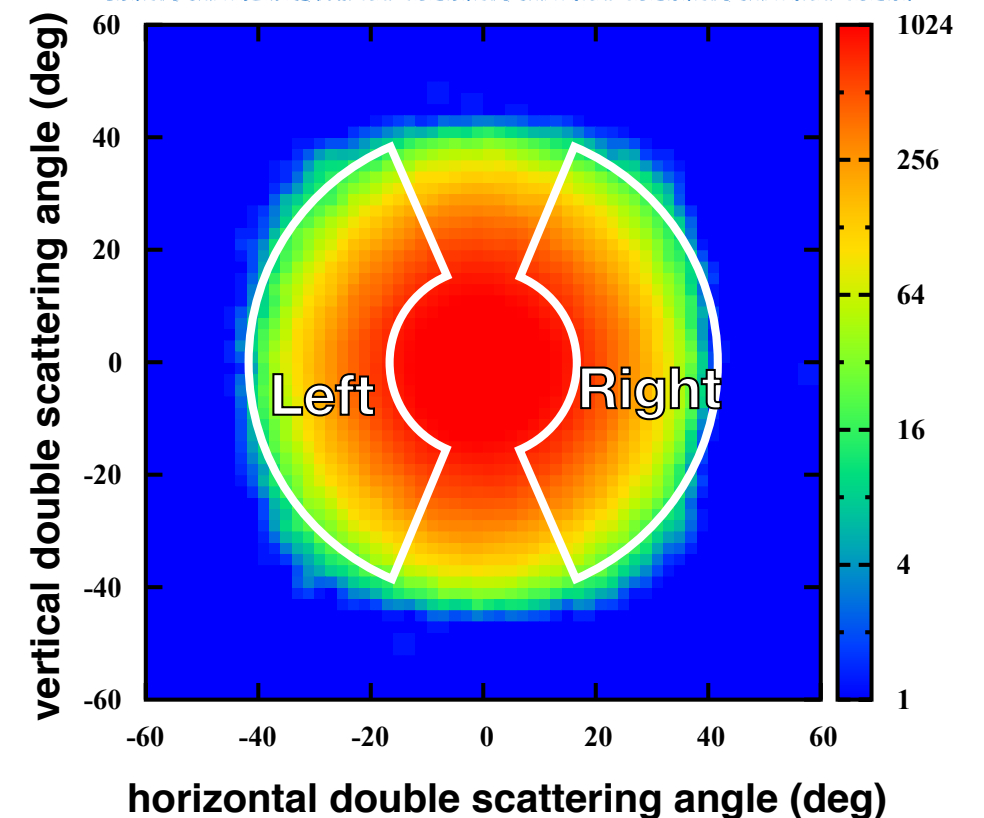
$$p'_N = \frac{\epsilon \text{ scattering asymmetry}}{\langle A_{y;\text{eff}} \rangle \text{ effective analyzing power}}$$

neutron pol.



asymmetry caused by the LS force

double scattering distribution



# Neutron polarization measurement

## ① Determination of $A_{y;eff}$

- use neutron from  ${}^2\text{H}(p,n)$  reaction
  - polarization is well known :  $p_N \sim 0.03$

T. Wakasa PRC **69** 033602, (2004)

## ② Select the n+p event

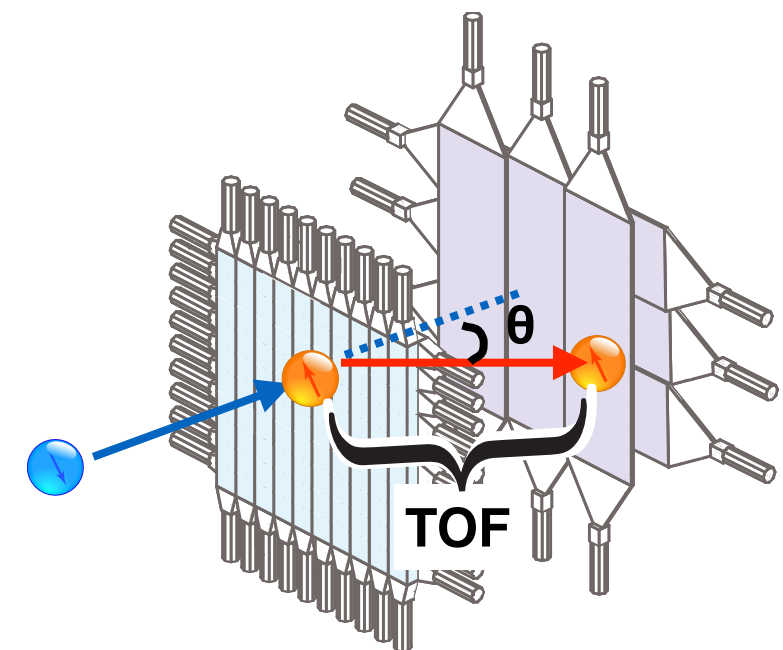
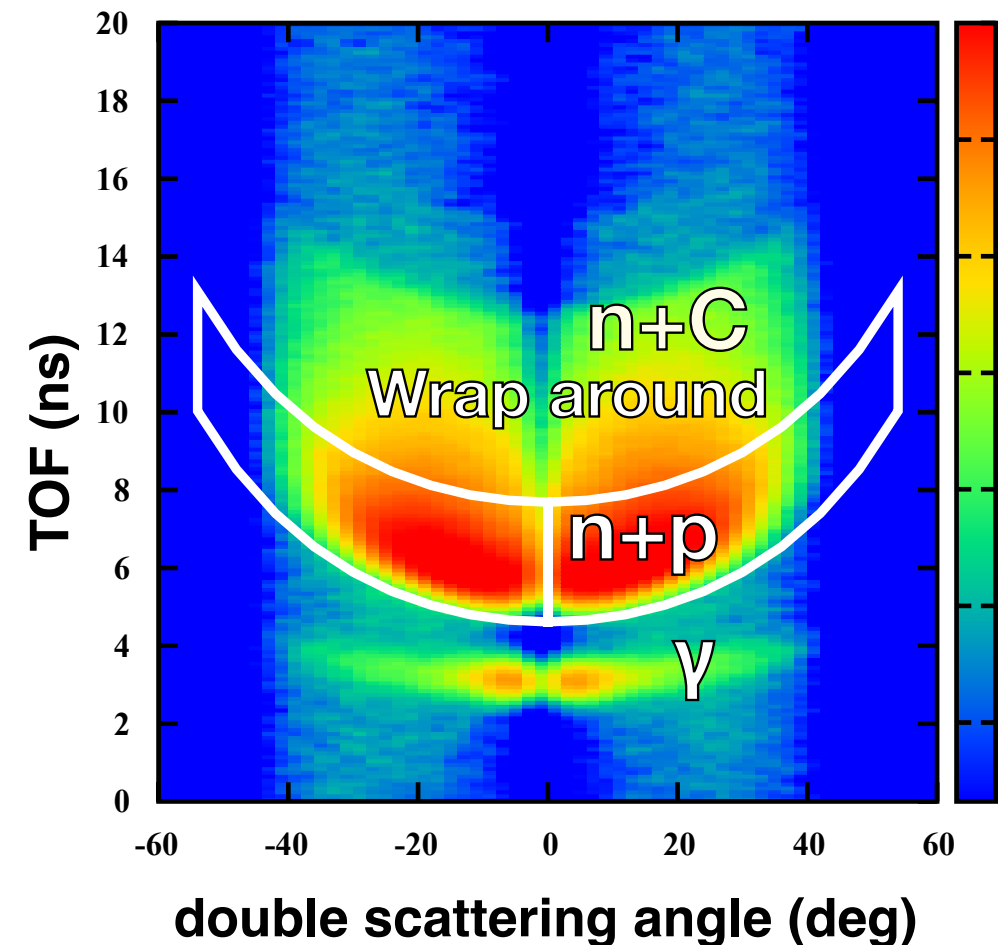
- $A_{y;eff}$  become small by other events (n+C,  $\gamma$ )
  - n+C event (small  $A_y$ ),  $\gamma$  event ( $A_y=0$ )

➡  $A_{y;eff} = 0.098 \pm 0.055$

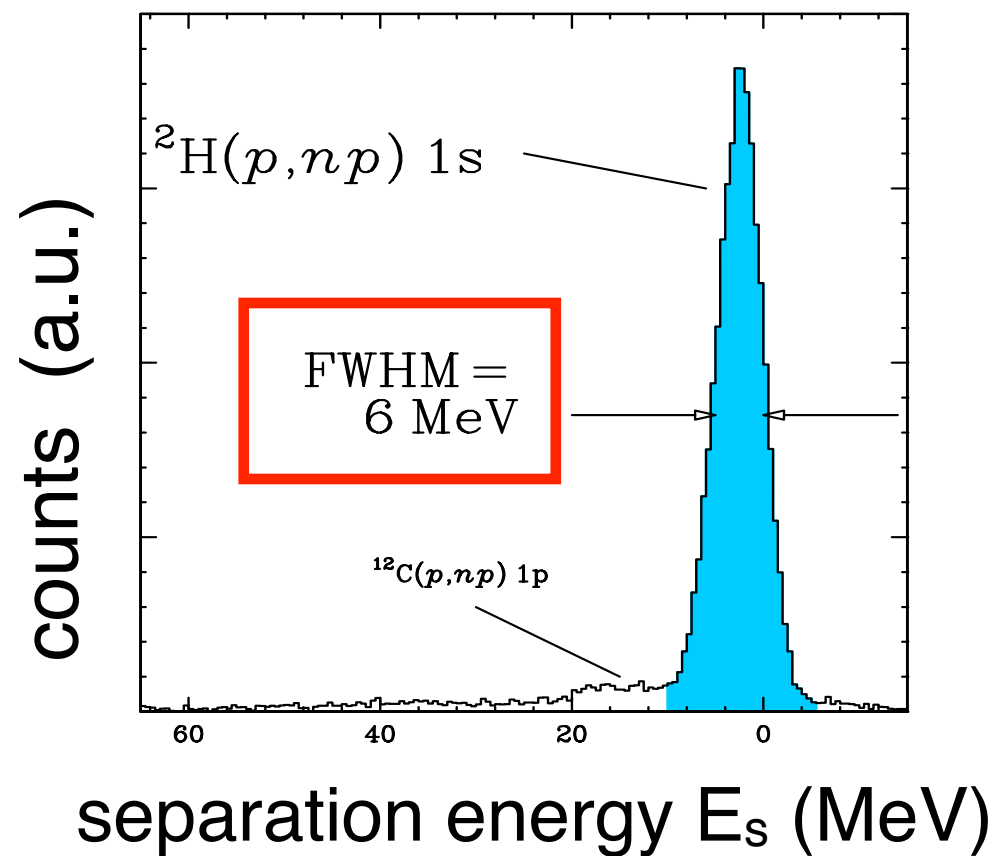
➡ select the n+p event kinematically by using TOF information

➡  $A_{y;eff} = 0.127 \pm 0.059$

- Figure of merit :  $FOM = \varepsilon \times (A_{y;eff})^2 = 0.67 \times 10^{-4}$   $\varepsilon=0.0042$ 
  - similar performance with INPOL ( $FOM=0.81$ ,  $A_{y;eff}=0.09$ )



# Results for $^2\text{H}(p,np)$ reaction



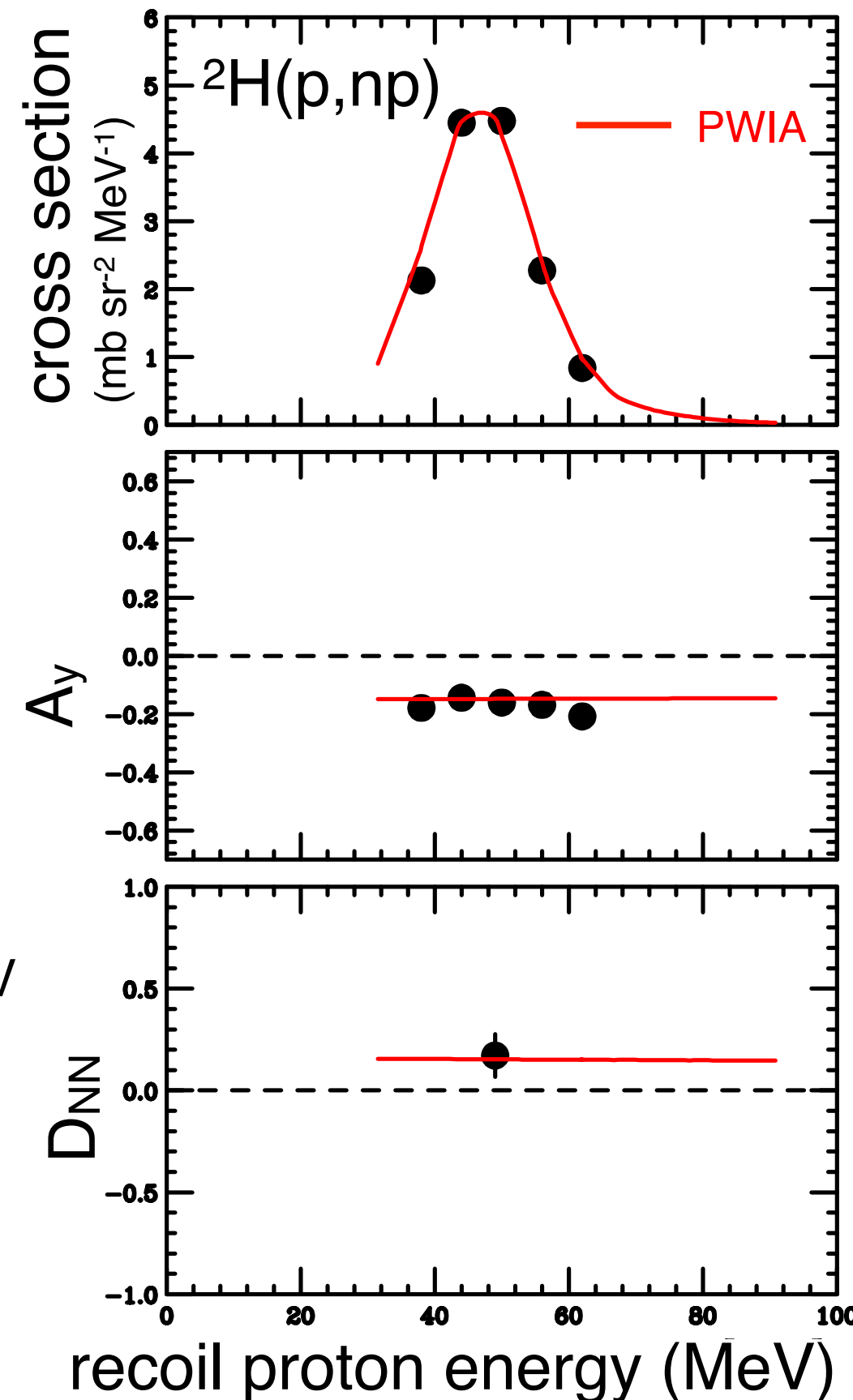
## ⊙ required energy resolution

- $\sim 7$  MeV
- energy difference between 1s and 1p :  $\sim 15$  MeV

## ⊙ cross section and $A_y$ for $^2\text{H}(p,np)$ reaction

✓ consistent with PWIA calculation

➡  $^2\text{H}$  have no medium effect



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★ required accuracy :  $\sim 0.10$

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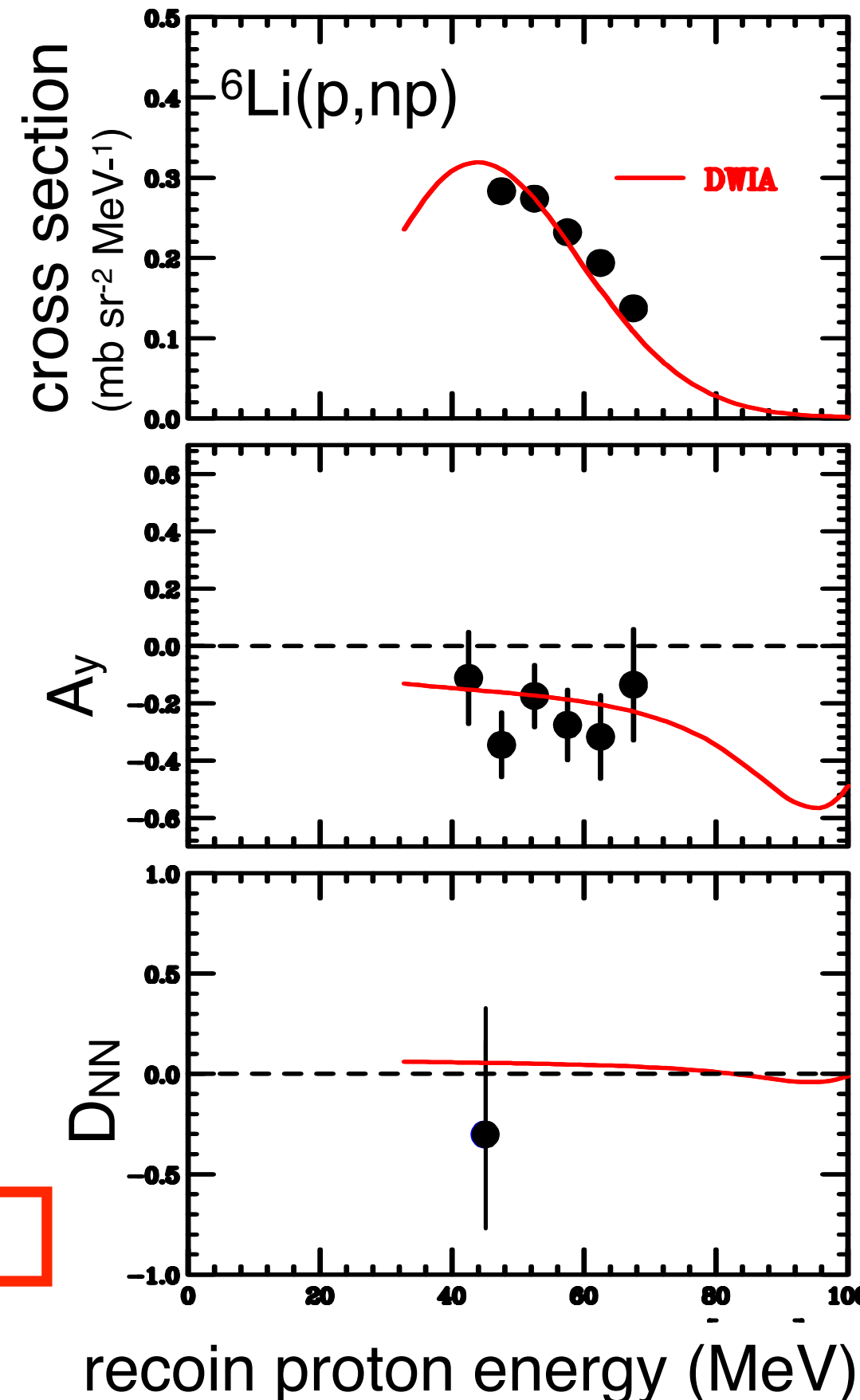
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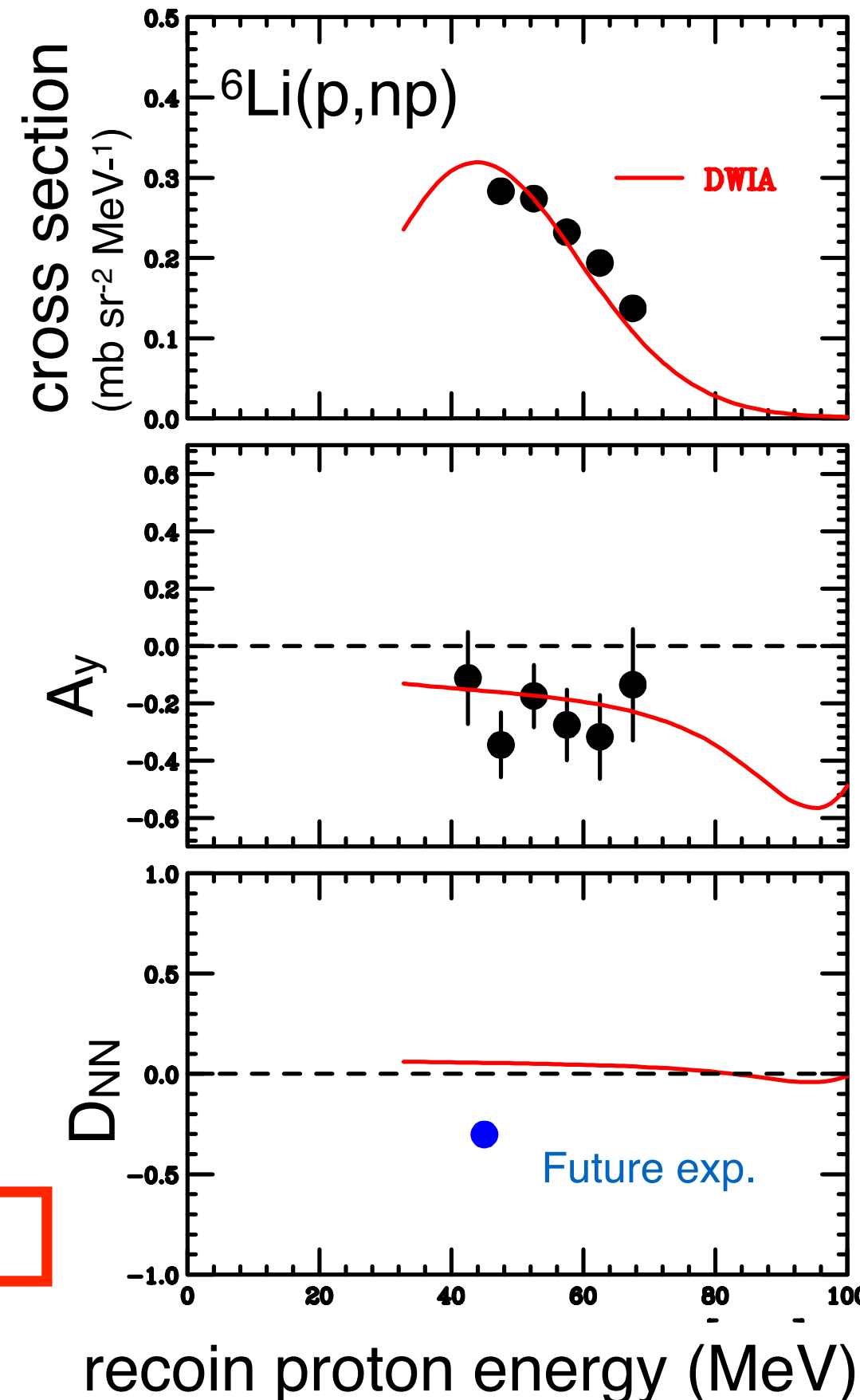
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    - ✓ neutron polarization : Effective analyzing power :  $A_{y\text{eff}} = 0.127 \pm 0.05$
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**Back up**

# Result for $^{12}\text{C}(p,np)$ reaction

## ◎ $\sigma$ , $A_y$ for $^{12}\text{C}(p,np)$ reaction for 1s state

✓ theoretical cal. reasonably reproduce the experimental data

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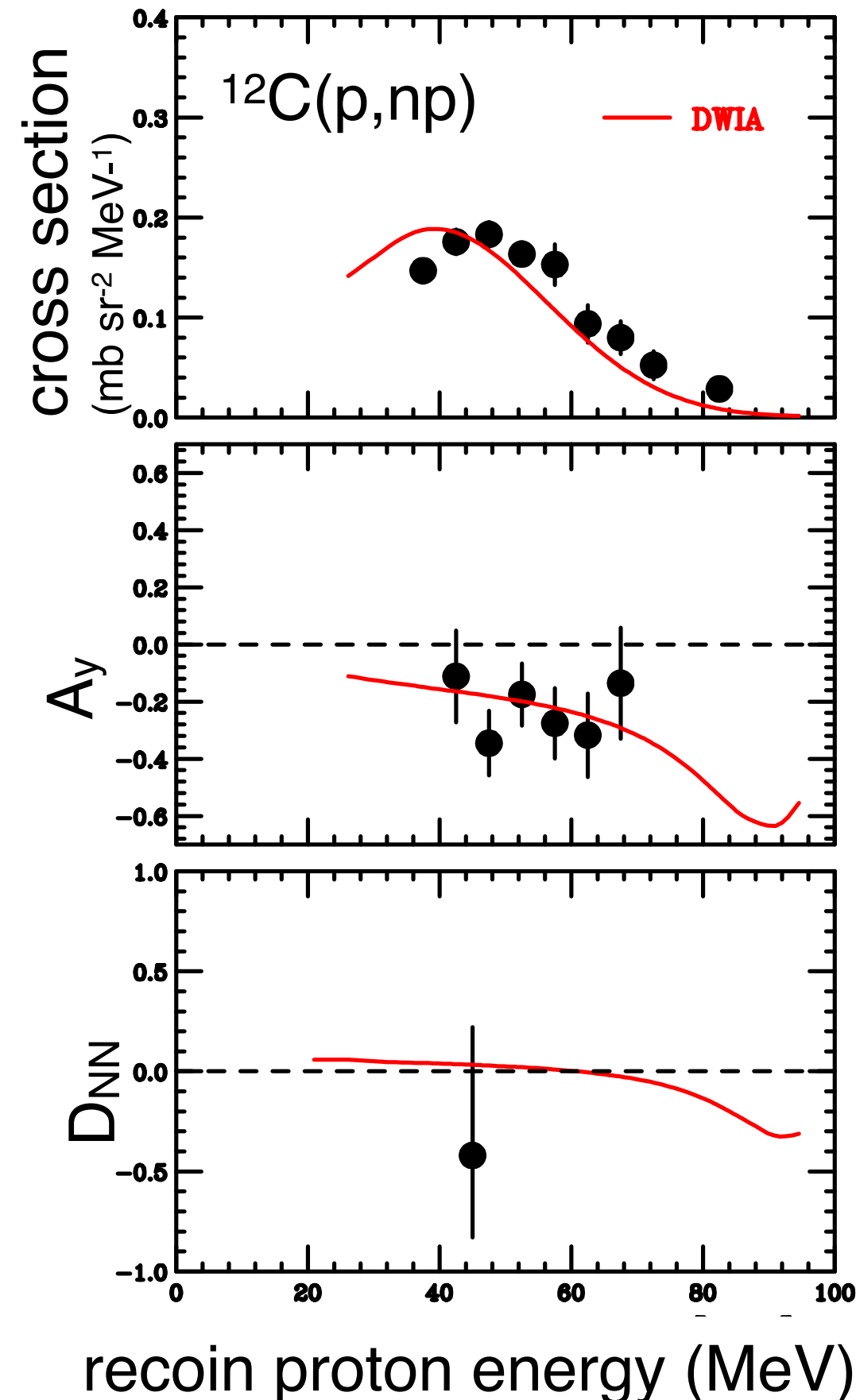
### • Condition at future exp.

• 5h (test exp.)  $\rightarrow$  126h (future exp.)

• polarization  $p_N$  : 0.40  $\rightarrow$  0.70

➡ accuracy 0.04

trouble at ion source



# Why $D_{NN}$ for (p,np)

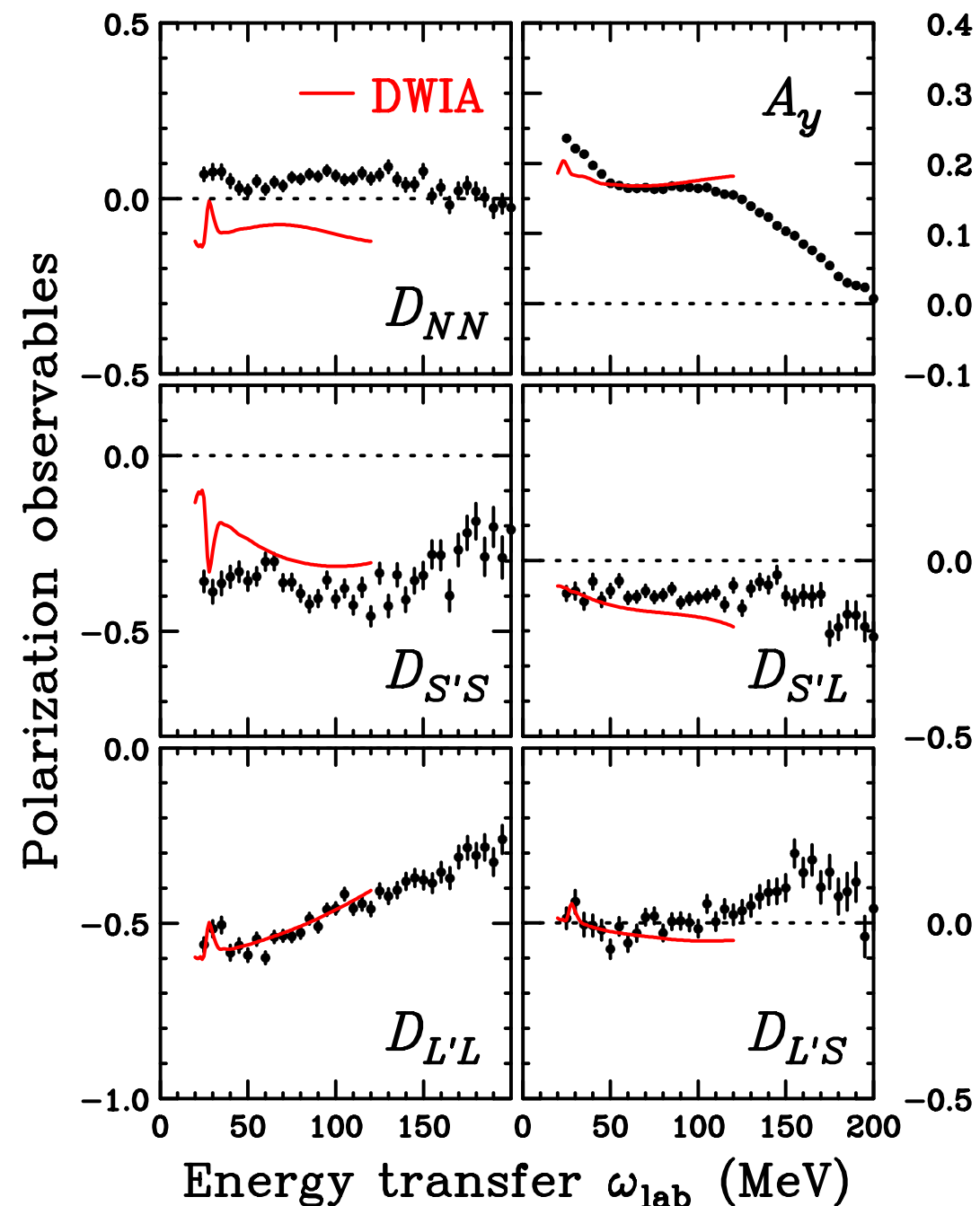
## Physical consideration

- Spin observables for inclusive (p,n)
  - $D_{NN}$  is much deviated from DWIA
  - $A_y$ ,  $D_{L'L}$ ,  $D_{L's}$ , ... are reasonably reproduced by DWIA
- ➔ Medium effect would be significantly seen in  $D_{NN}$  for (p,np)

## Experimental consideration

- We can measure  $D_{NN}$  w/o neutron spin-rotation magnet
- $D_{L'L}$  and  $D_{L's}$  require neutron spin-rotation magnet

$^{12}\text{C}(p,n)$  at  $\theta=22^\circ$ ,  $T_p=346$  MeV



**$D_{NN}$  is suitable for the first measurement**

# Nuclear Force : One-Boson-Exchange

- Various meson-nucleon couplings and their contributions to the nuclear force as obtained from One-Boson-Exchange

Coupling	Bosons (Strength of Coupling)		Characteristics of Predicted Forces			
	$I = 0$ [1]	$I = 1$ [ $\tau_1 \cdot \tau_2$ ]	Central [1]	Spin-Spin [ $\sigma_1 \cdot \sigma_2$ ]	Tensor [ $S_{12}$ ]	Spin-Orbit [ $L \cdot S$ ]
$ps$	$\eta$ (weak)	$\pi$ (strong)	—	weak, coherent with $v, t$	strong	—
$s$	$\sigma$ (strong)	$\delta$ (weak)	strong, attractive	—	—	coherent with $v$
$v$	$\omega$ (strong)	$\rho$ (weak)	strong, repulsive	weak coherent with $ps$	opposite to $ps$	strong, coherent with $s$
$t$	$\omega$ (weak)	$\rho$ (strong)	—	weak, coherent with $ps$	opposite to $ps$	—