

# Continuum Dynamics in Dripline Nuclei

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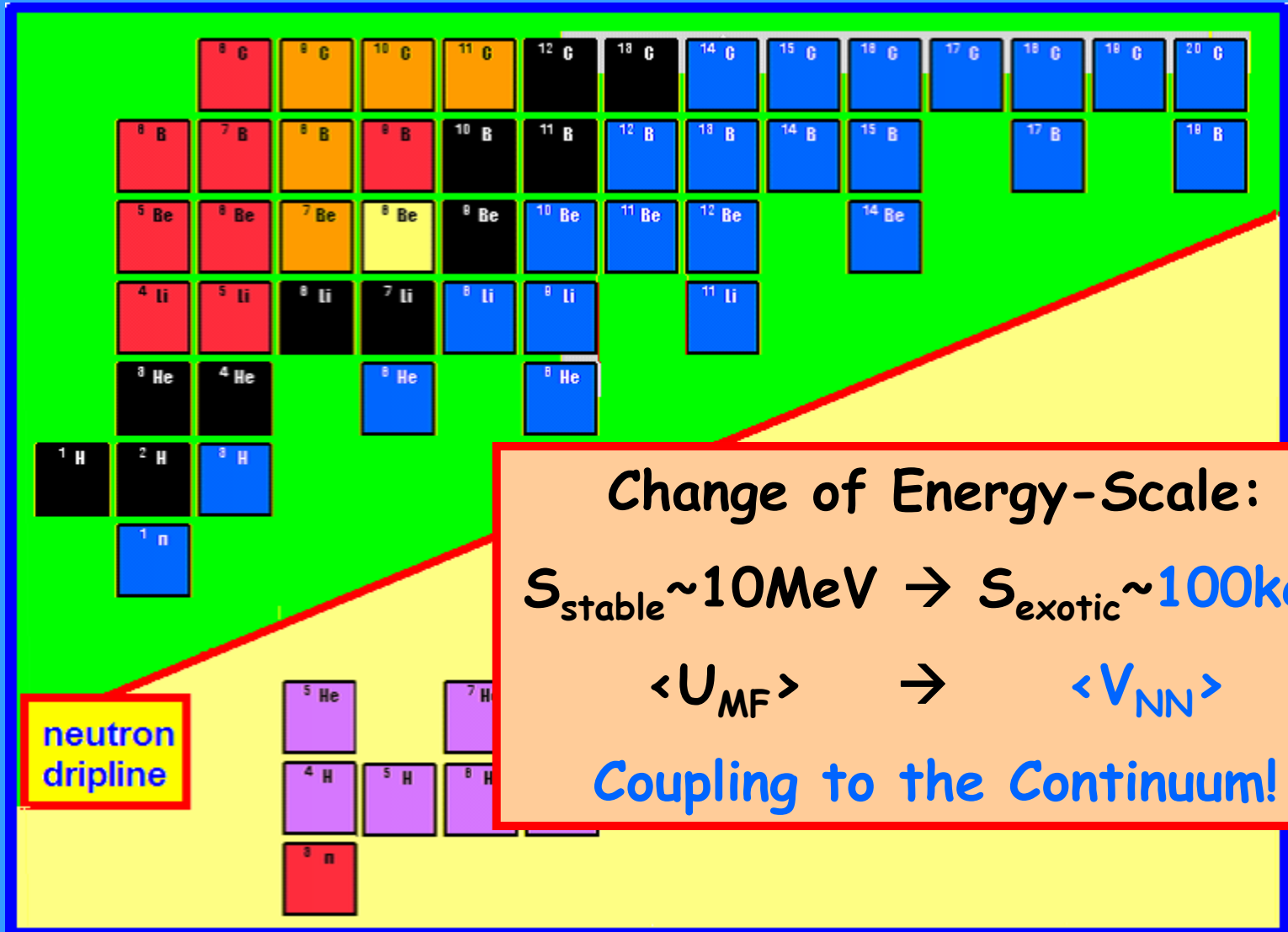
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# Continuum Dynamics in Dripline Nuclei

## Topics:

- Pairing in the Continuum
- Fano Resonances and Dynamical Polarization
- Skins and Threshold Effects: Pygmy Dipole Resonance
- Conclusions and Outlook

# Fluctuating (Fractal?) Structure of Neutron Dripline ( $0 \leq Z \leq 6$ )



Change of Energy-Scale:

$$S_{\text{stable}} \sim 10 \text{ MeV} \rightarrow S_{\text{exotic}} \sim 100 \text{ keV}$$

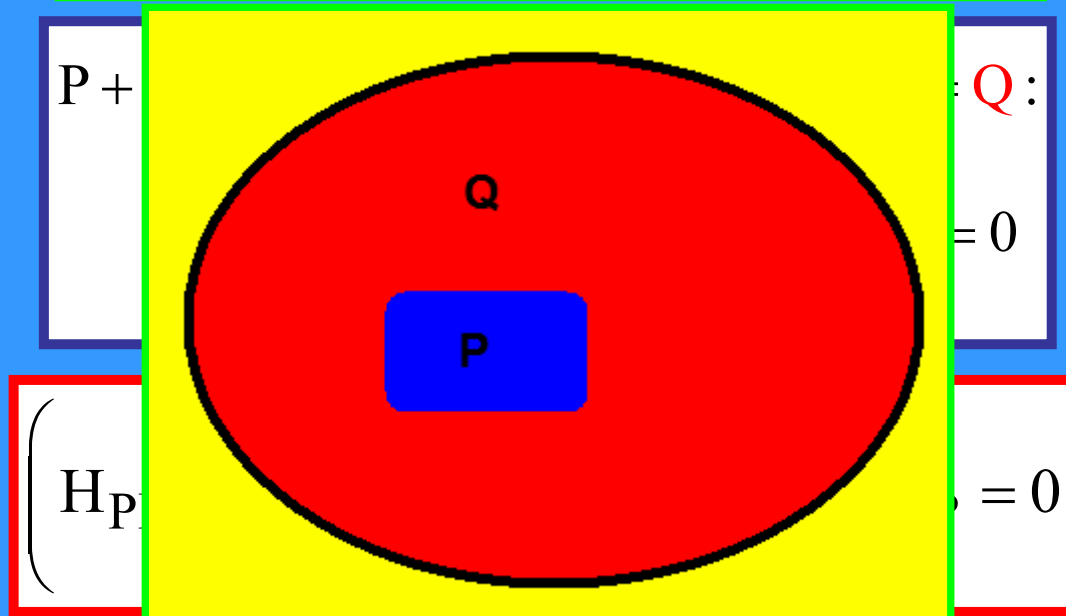
$$\langle U_{\text{MF}} \rangle \rightarrow \langle V_{\text{NN}} \rangle$$

Coupling to the Continuum!

# Nuclei as Open Quantum Systems

- Interplay of Many-body and Single Particle Dynamics
- Validity of the Mean-Field Concept?
- Model Space Problem: P/Q-Space and Effective interactions
- Polarization self-energies and dissipation (optical potential)

## Feshbach Projector Formalism



# Extended HFB Theory as Coupled Channels Problem: The Gorkov-Equations

$$\begin{pmatrix} H - \lambda & -\Delta \\ -\Delta^+ & -(H - \lambda) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_+ \\ \phi_- \end{pmatrix} = E \begin{pmatrix} \phi_+ \\ \phi_- \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\phi_+ \sim u_{lj}^{(q)}(r) |(\ell s) jm\rangle; \quad \phi_- \sim v_{lj}^{(q)}(r) |(\ell s) jm\rangle$$

Mean-Field Hamiltonian (q = p,n):

$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \vec{\nabla}^2 + U(\rho)$$

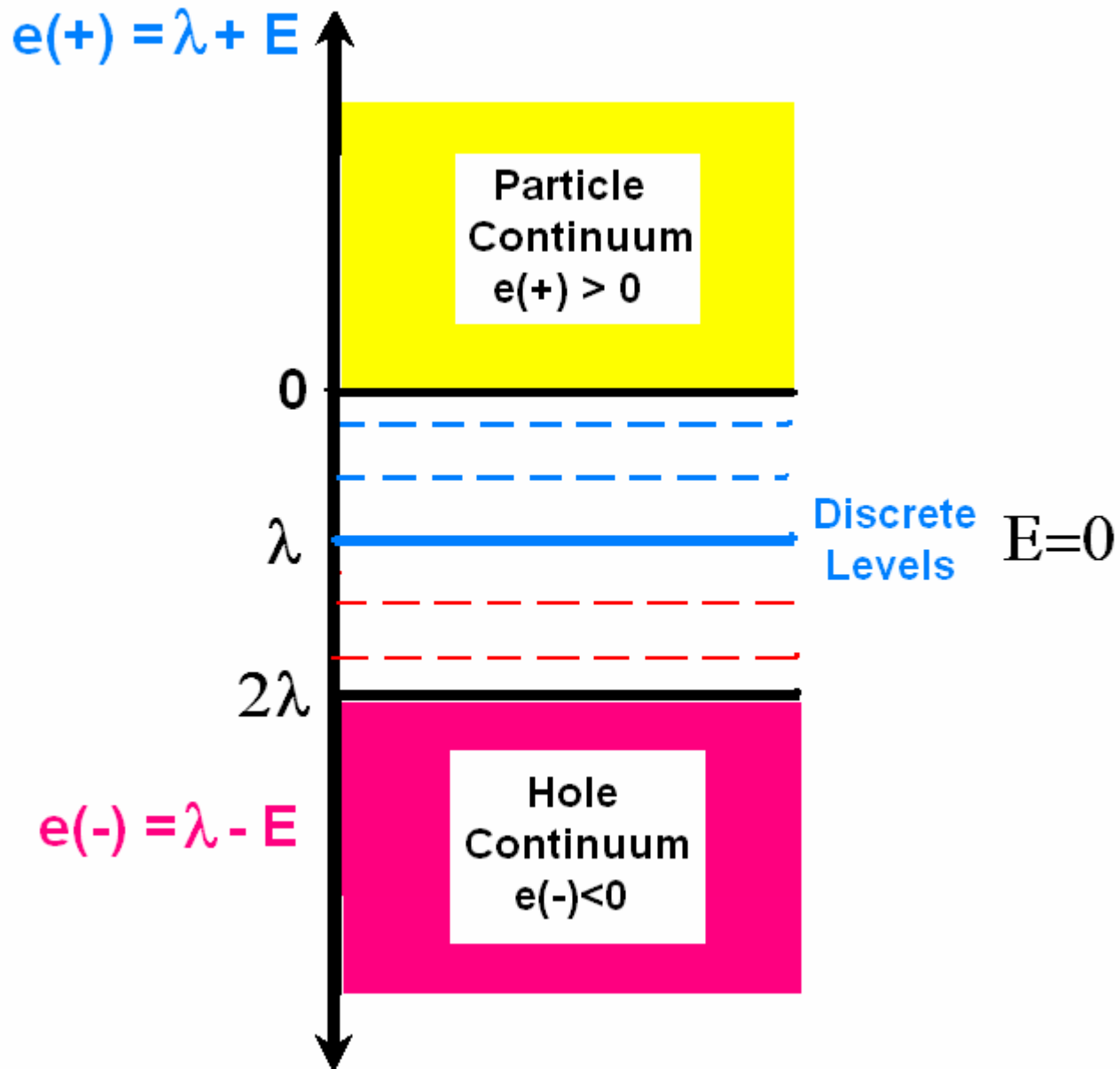
$$\rho_q(r) = \sum_{nlj} \frac{2j+1}{4\pi} |v_{nlj}^{(q)}(r)|^2$$

Pairing-Field & Density (q = p,n):

$$\Delta_q = \frac{1}{2} V_{SE} \kappa_q$$

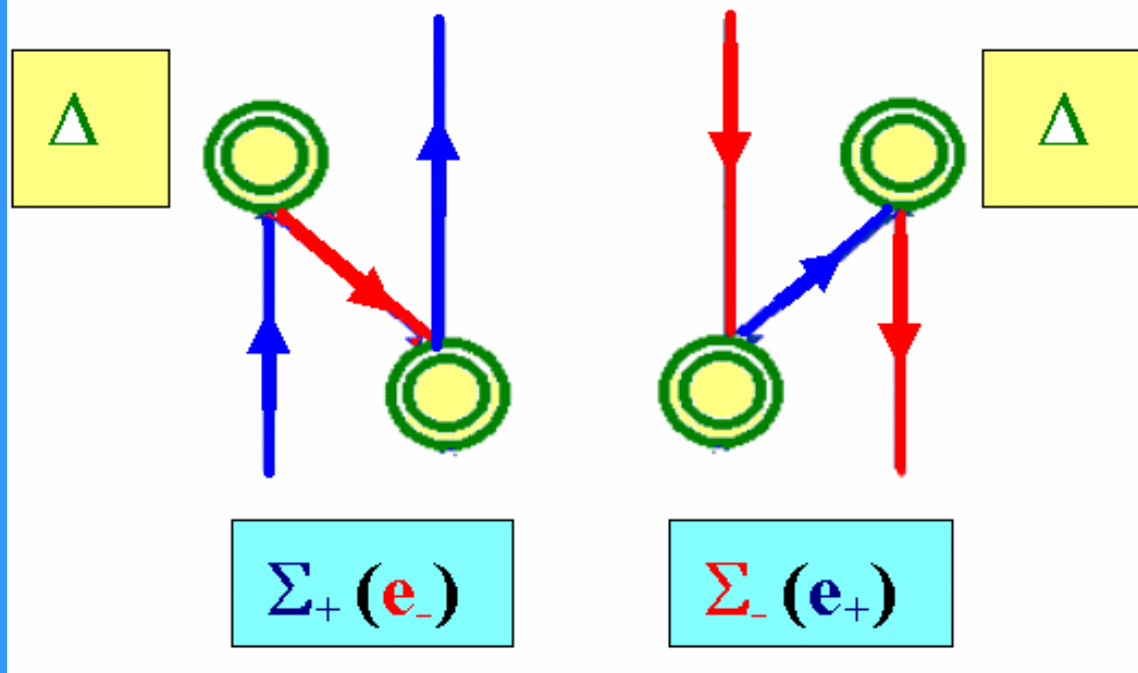
$$\kappa_q(r) = \sum_{nlj} \frac{2j+1}{4\pi} u_{nlj}^{(q)}(r) v_{nlj}^{(q)*}(r)$$

# Spectrum of the Gorkov Equation:



# Extended HFB Theory: Pairing Self-Energies

$$(\mathbf{H} - \mathbf{e}_{\pm} + \Sigma_{\pm}(\mathbf{e}_{\pm}))\Phi_{\pm} = \mathbf{0}$$

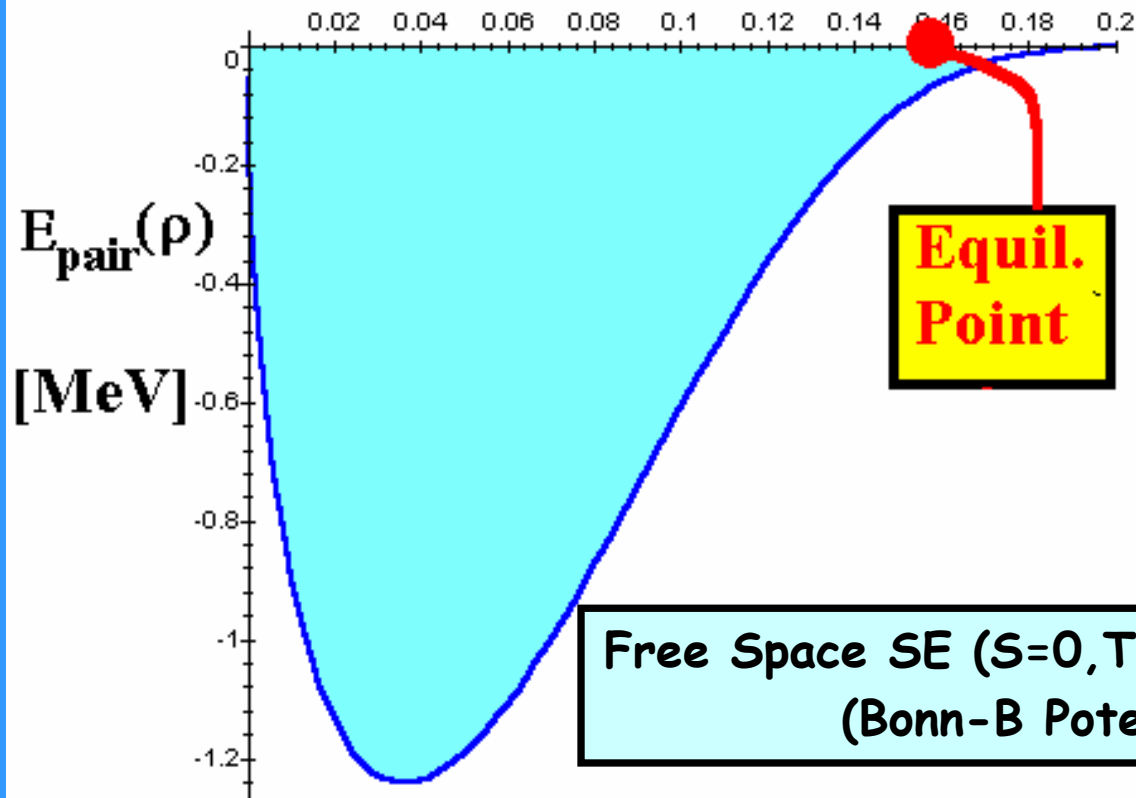


- Energy Shifts and Widths
- Spectral Functions for particles and holes

# Pairing in Infinite Nuclear Matter

## Pairing Energy per Particle

$\rho$  [1/fm<sup>3</sup>]



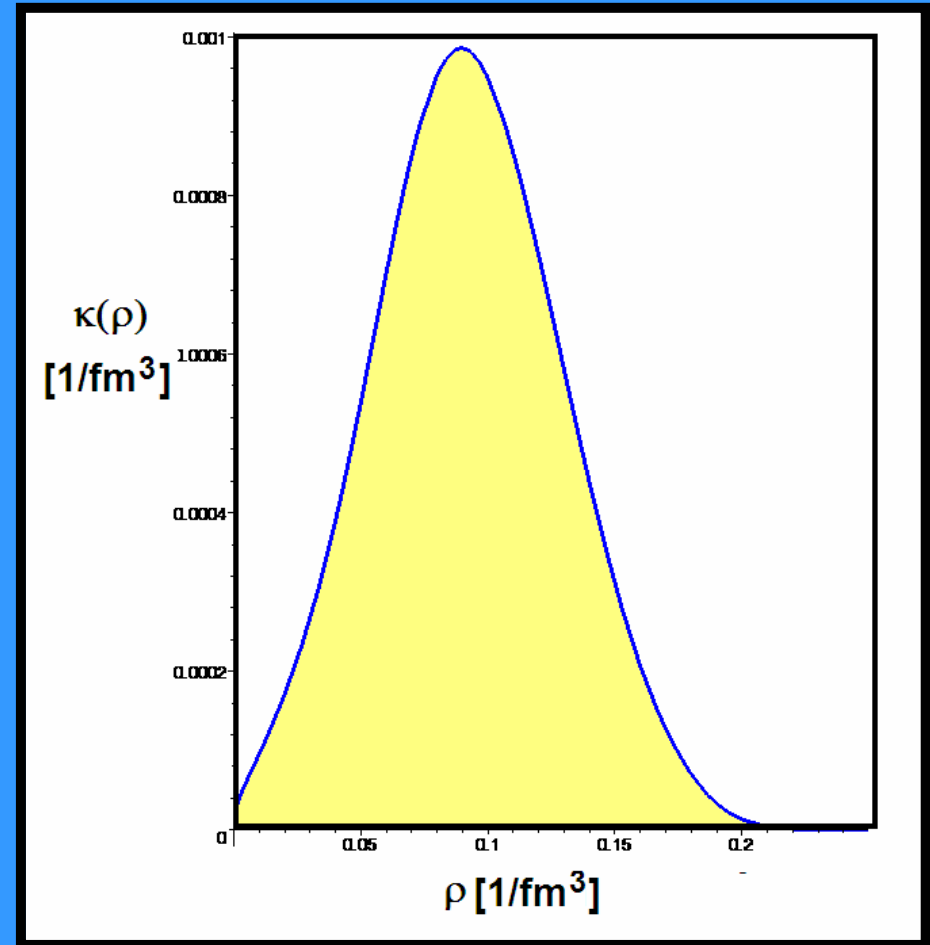
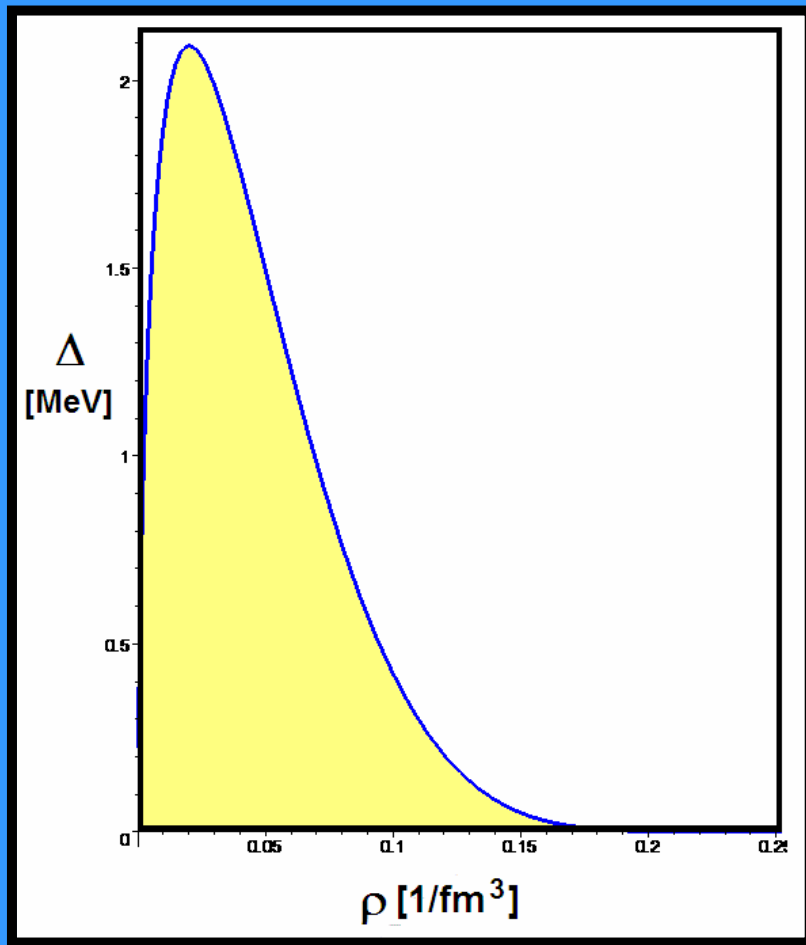
**Equil.  
Point**

Free Space SE ( $S=0, T=1$ ) Interaction:  
(Bonn-B Potential)

Pairing is a **LOW DENSITY** Phenomenon

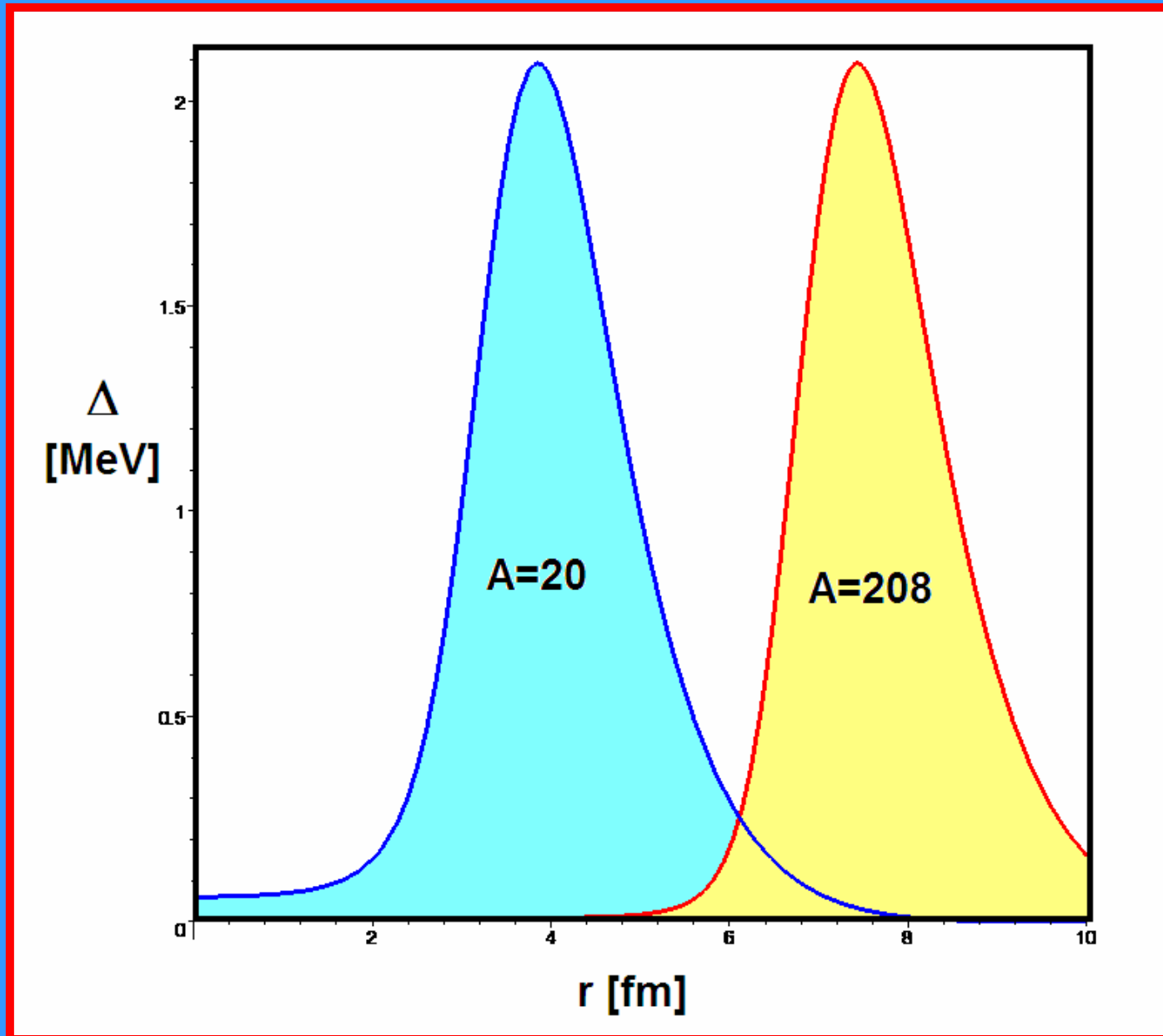


# Pairing Correlations in Nuclear Matter



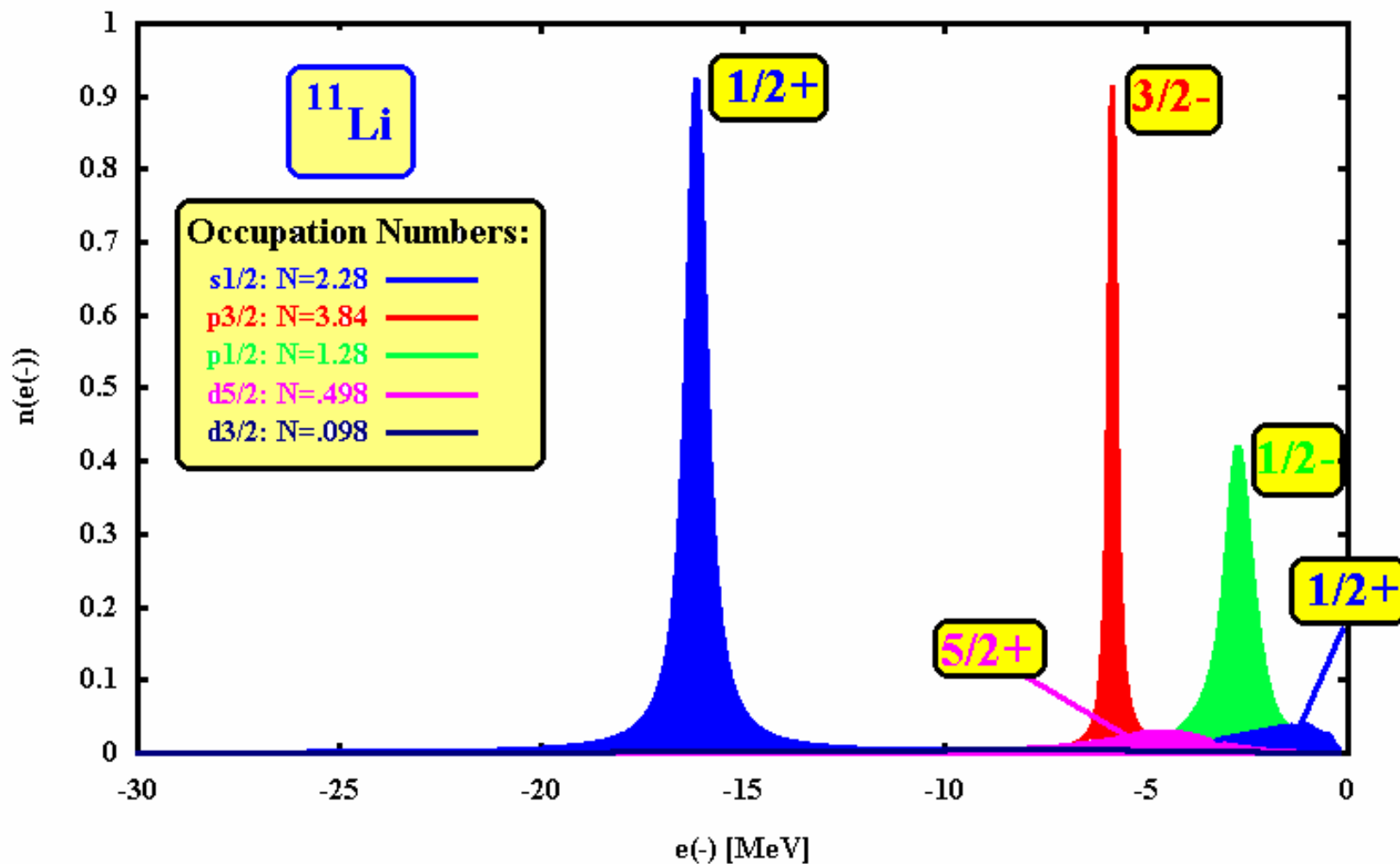
Pairing Gap  $\Delta$  and Anomalous Density  $\kappa$   
in Symmetric Nuclear Matter

# Pairing Gap in a Nucleus (Local Density Appr.)

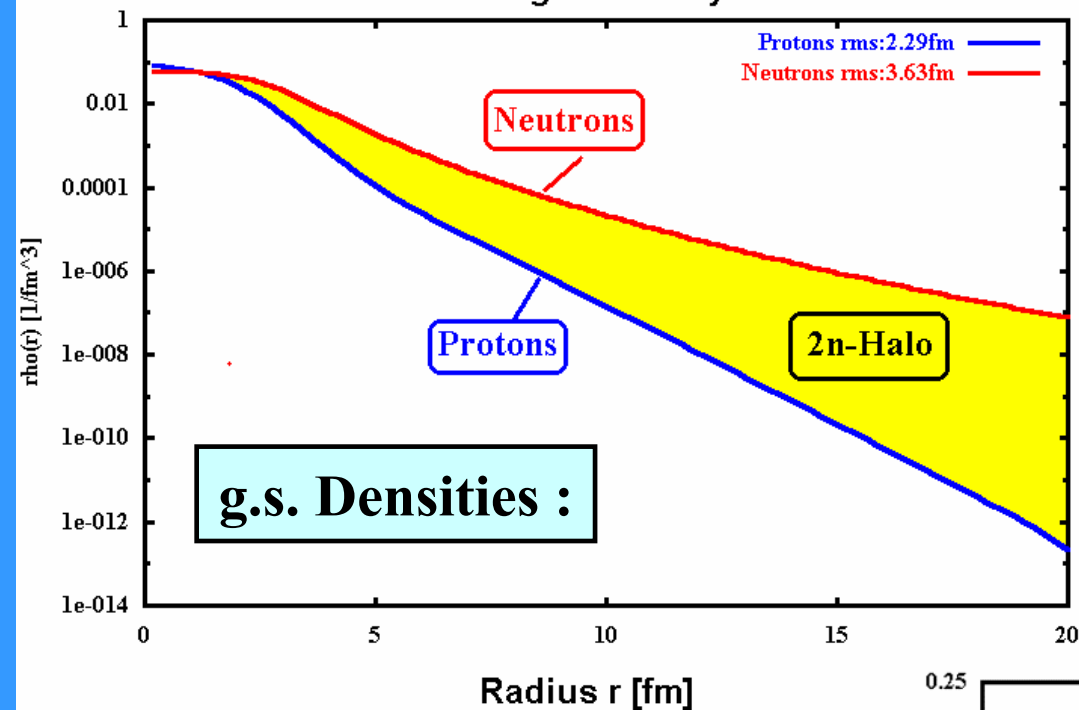


# $^{11}\text{Li}$ : Continuum HFB Spectral Functions

## Neutron Spectrum :

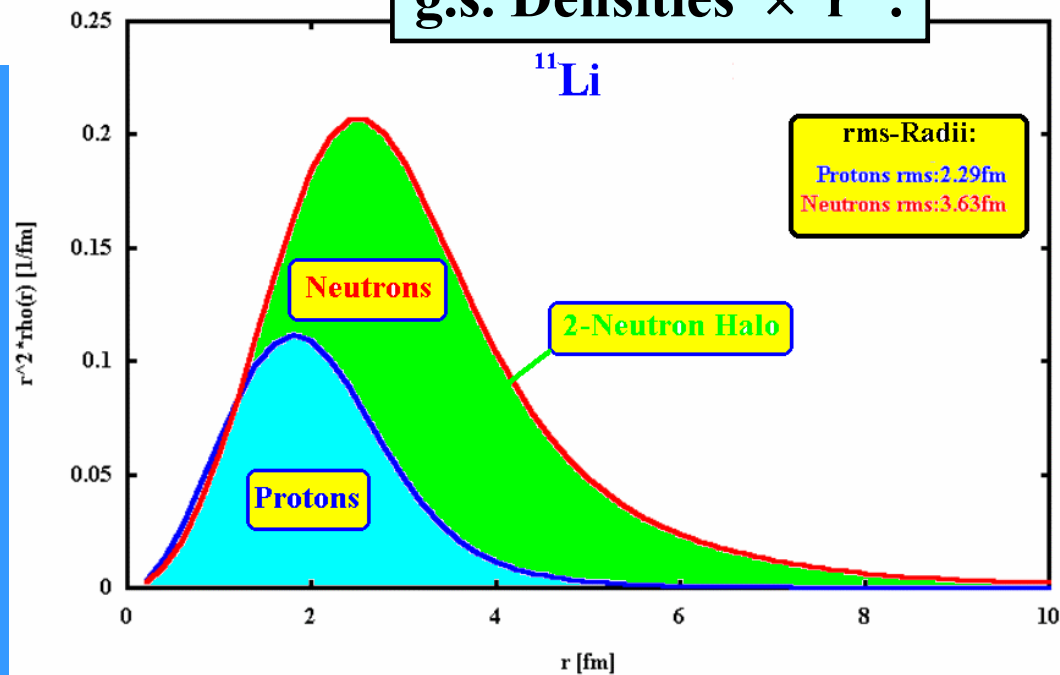


# <sup>11</sup>Li g.s. Density



<sup>11</sup>Li : Continuum  
HFB g.s. Densities

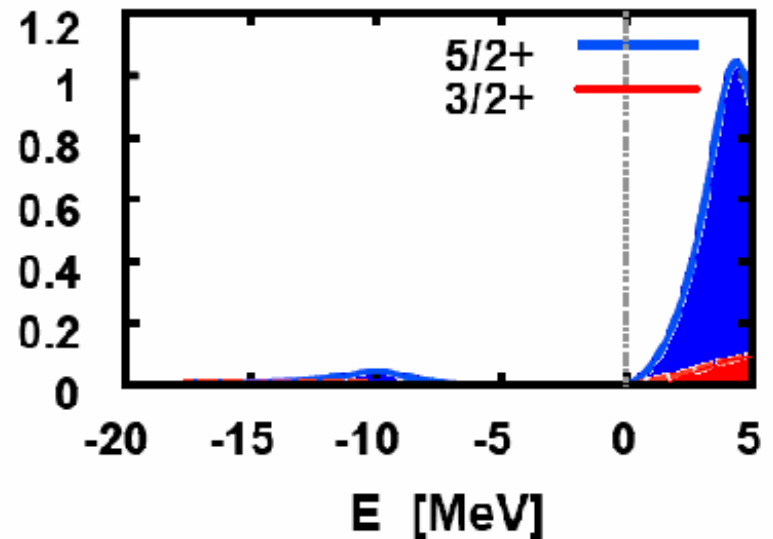
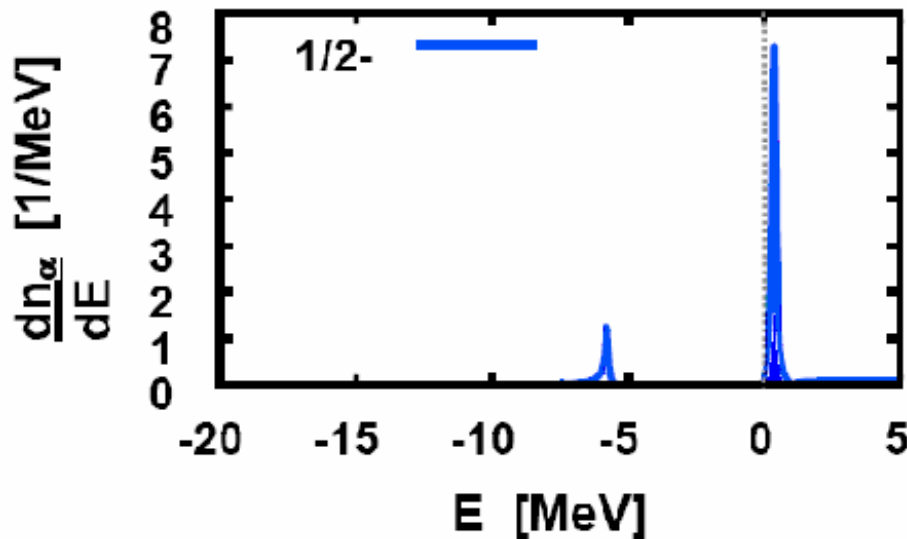
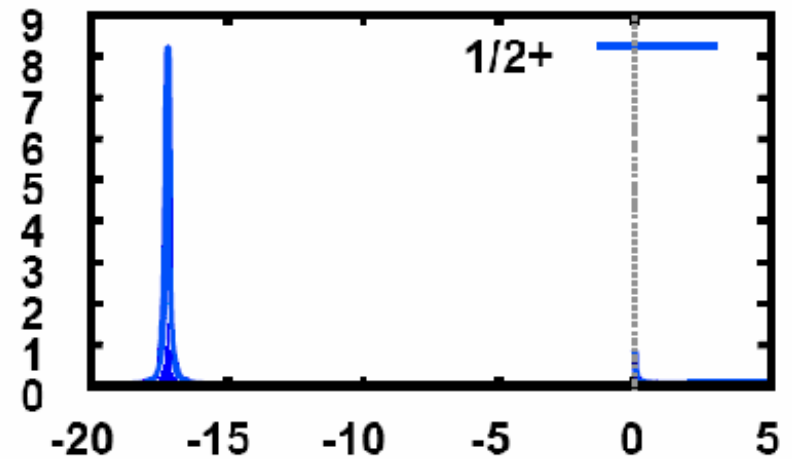
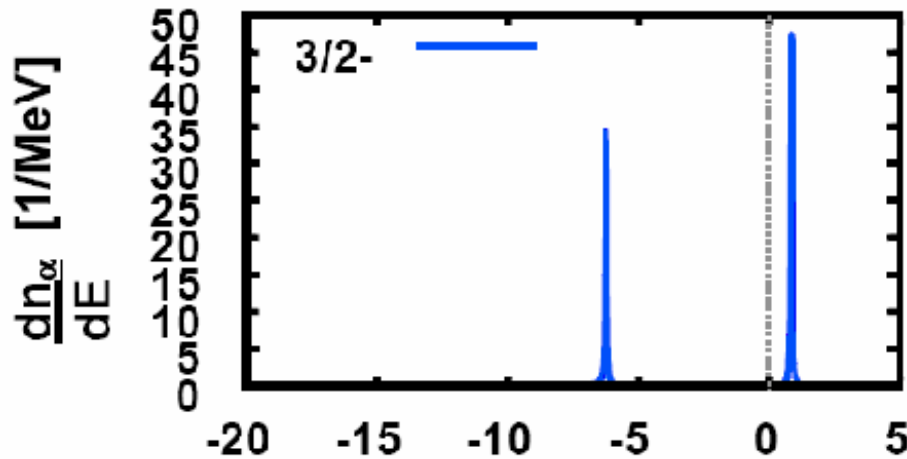
g.s. Densities × r<sup>2</sup> :



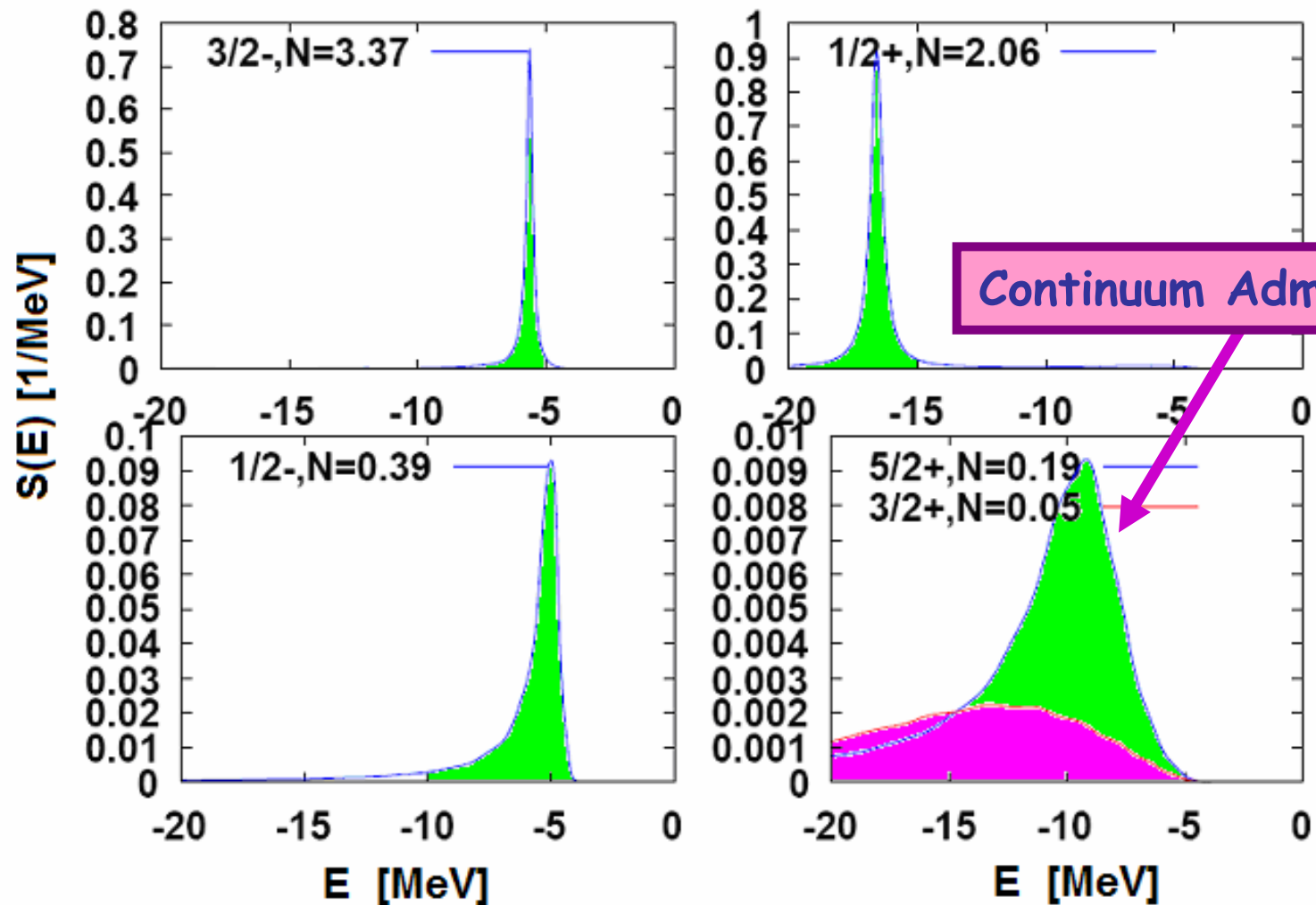
for  $q = p, n$ :  $\phi_{-}^{(q)} = v_{lj}^{(q)}(r) |(\ell s) jm\rangle$

$$\rho_q(r) = \sum_{\ell j} \frac{2j+1}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\lambda_q} de |v_{lj}^{(q)}(e, r)|^2$$

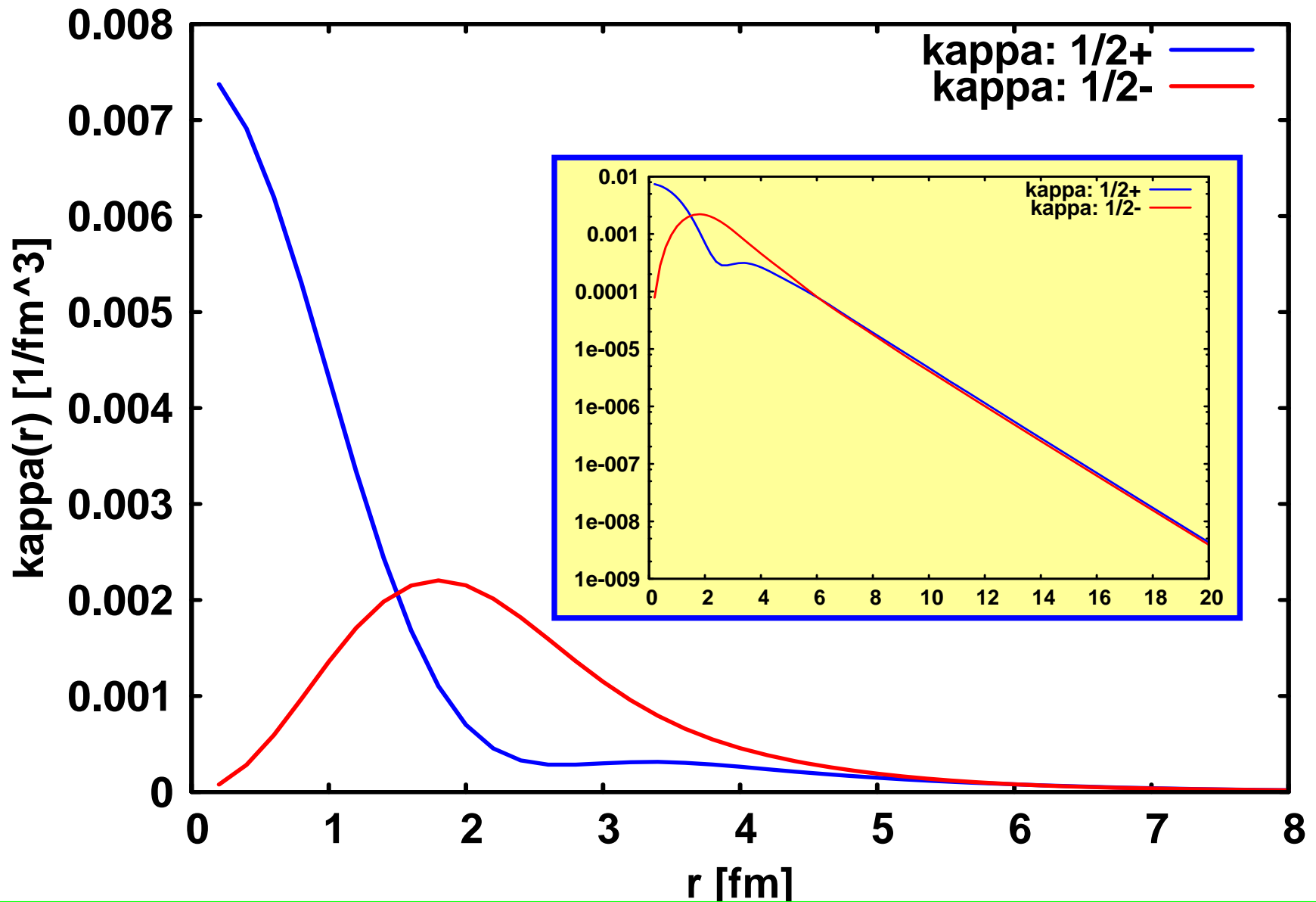
# Neutron Spectral Functions in ${}^9\text{Li}(3/2^-)$ (Gorkov Pairing)



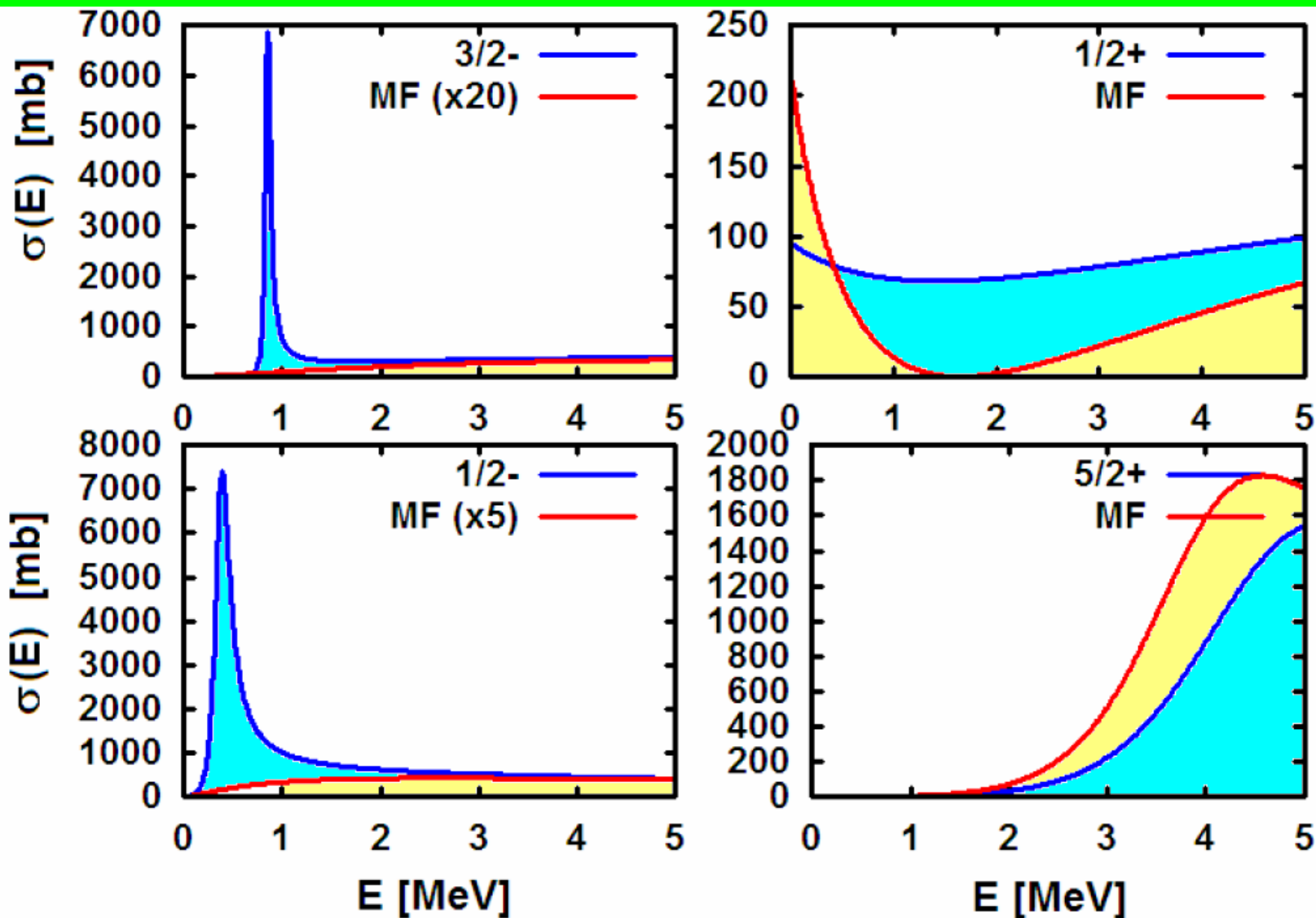
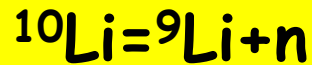
# Neutron Spectral Functions in ${}^9\text{Li}(3/2^-)$ : Continuum Admixtures into the g.s.



# Anomalous (Pairing) Density $\kappa(r)$ in ${}^9\text{Li}$



# Spectral Distributions and Elastic Scattering





## Reminder: Some Facts about Reactions to Unbound Final States

- **3-body Final State:**

$$d\sigma_{\beta\alpha} = \frac{1}{I_\alpha} \frac{d^3P_\beta}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{d^3k_\beta}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{d^3q_\beta}{(2\pi)^3} \delta(\vec{P}_\beta - \vec{P}_\alpha) \delta\left(\frac{\hbar^2 k_\beta^2}{2\mu_\beta} + \frac{\hbar^2 q_\beta^2}{2\tilde{M}_\beta} + \Delta M - \frac{\hbar^2 k_\alpha^2}{2\mu_\alpha}\right) |X_{\beta\alpha}(\vec{k}_\beta, \vec{q}_\beta, \vec{k}_\alpha)|^2$$

- **Inclusive Cross Sections:**

$$\frac{d^2\sigma_{\beta\alpha}}{d\Omega_\beta dE_\beta} = \sum_{\ell_j} D(q_\beta) \frac{d\sigma_{\beta\alpha}^{\ell_j}}{d\Omega_\beta}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\beta\alpha}^{\ell_j}}{d\Omega} = \frac{\mu_\alpha \mu_\beta}{(2\pi \hbar^2)^2} \frac{k_\beta}{k_\alpha} \frac{1}{(2j_\alpha + 1)(2J_\alpha + 1)} \sum_{m_\alpha M_\alpha m_\beta M_\beta} |T_{\beta\alpha}^{\ell_j}(\vec{k}_\beta, q_\beta, \vec{k}_\alpha)|^2$$

- **Nucleon Field Operator:**

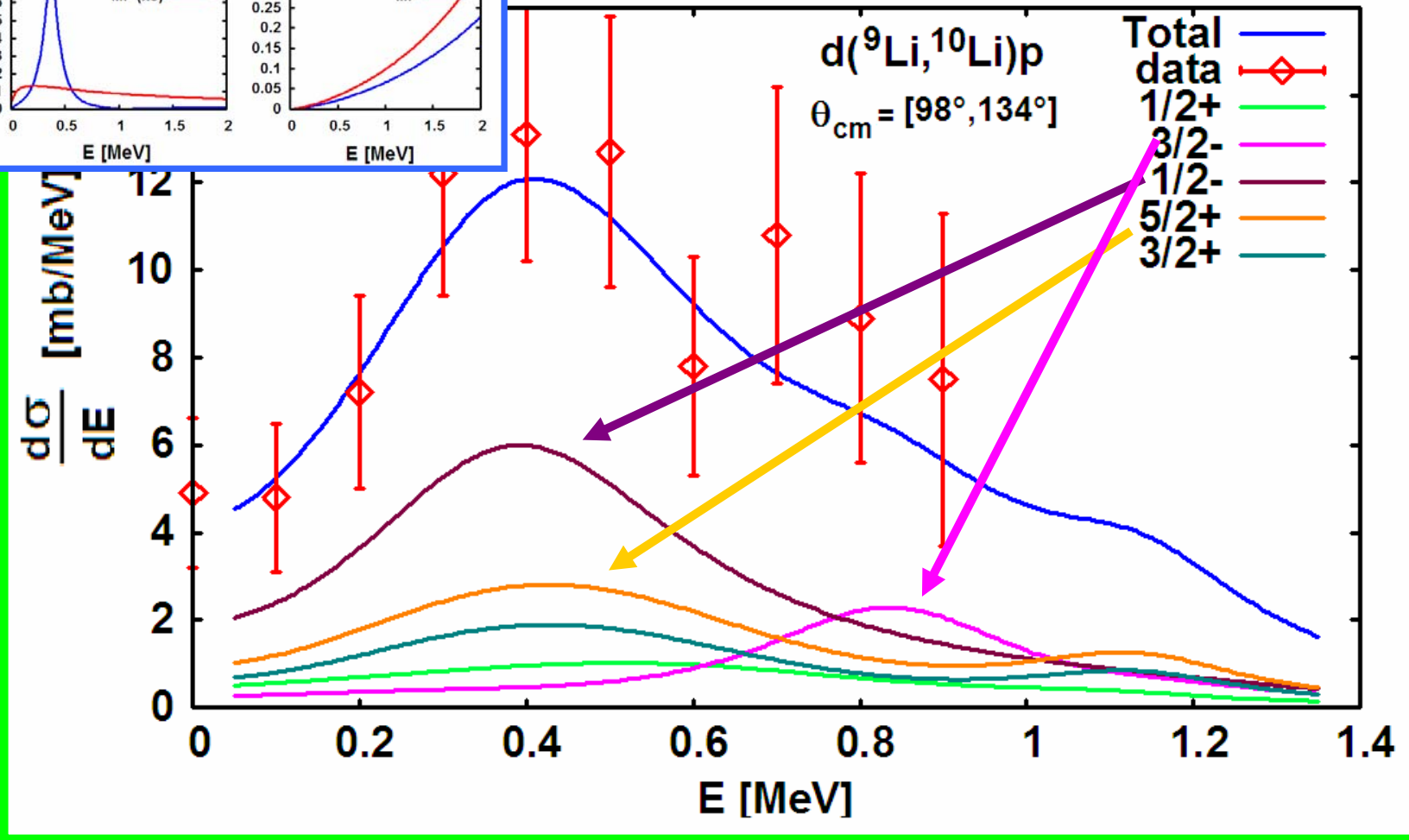
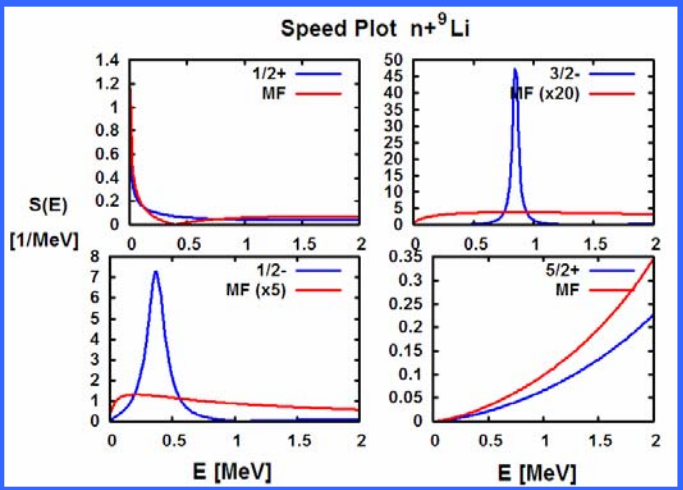
$$\Psi(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_n \left( a_n^\dagger \varphi_n^*(\mathbf{x}) + \tilde{a}_n \varphi_n(\mathbf{x}) \right) + \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \left( a_{\vec{k}}^\dagger \chi_{\vec{k}}^*(\mathbf{x}) + \tilde{a}_{\vec{k}} \chi_{-\vec{k}}(\mathbf{x}) \right)$$

$$\{\Psi^\dagger(\vec{r}, t), \Psi(\vec{r}', t)\} = \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')$$

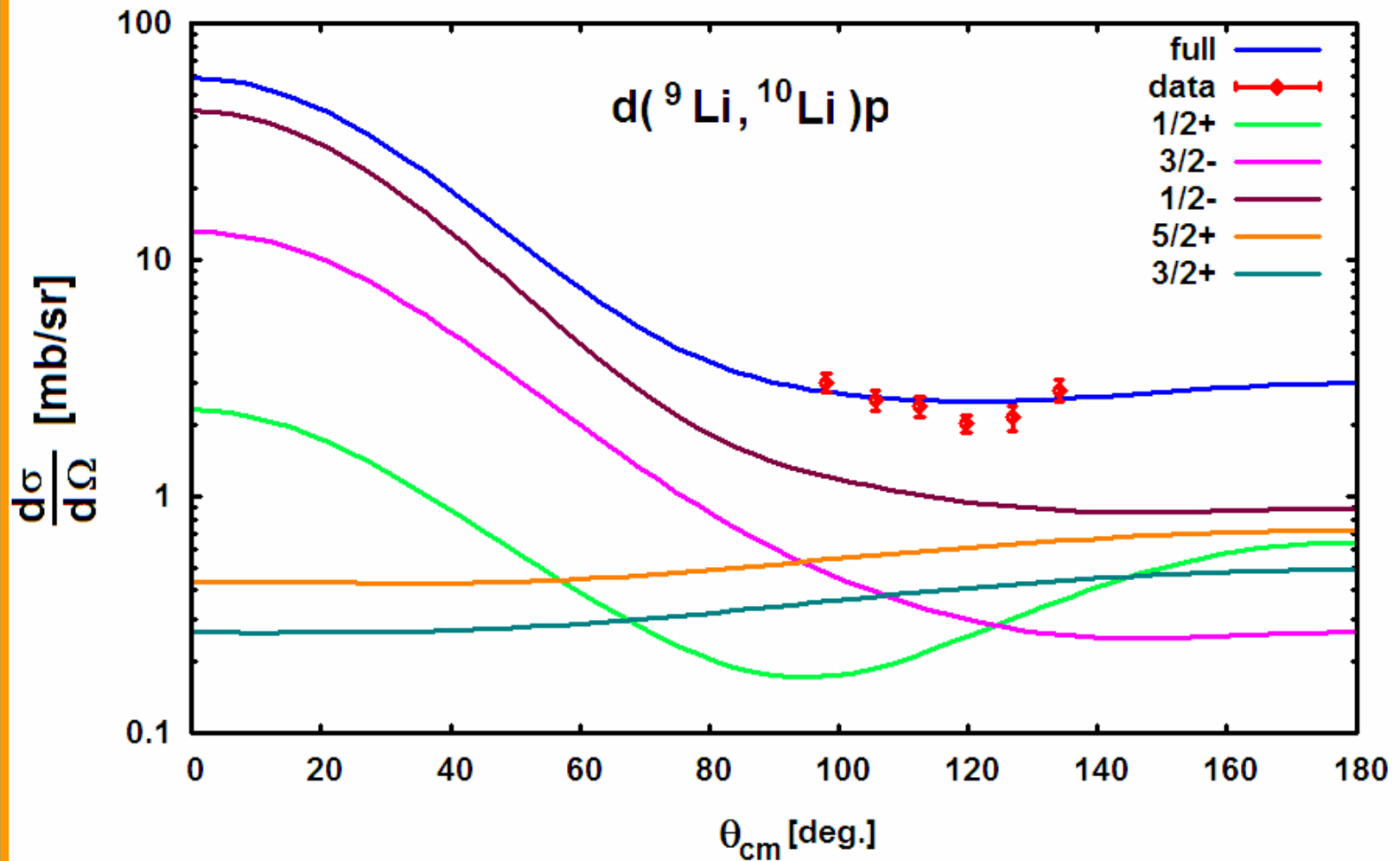
$$\{a_{\vec{k}}^\dagger, a_{\vec{q}}\} = (2\pi)^3 \delta(\vec{k} - \vec{q})$$

$$\langle B | \Psi_A | A \rangle = \langle A | \{ \Gamma_\beta, \Psi_A \} | A \rangle = z_{\vec{k}_\beta}(E_\beta) u_{\vec{k}_\beta}(\vec{r})$$

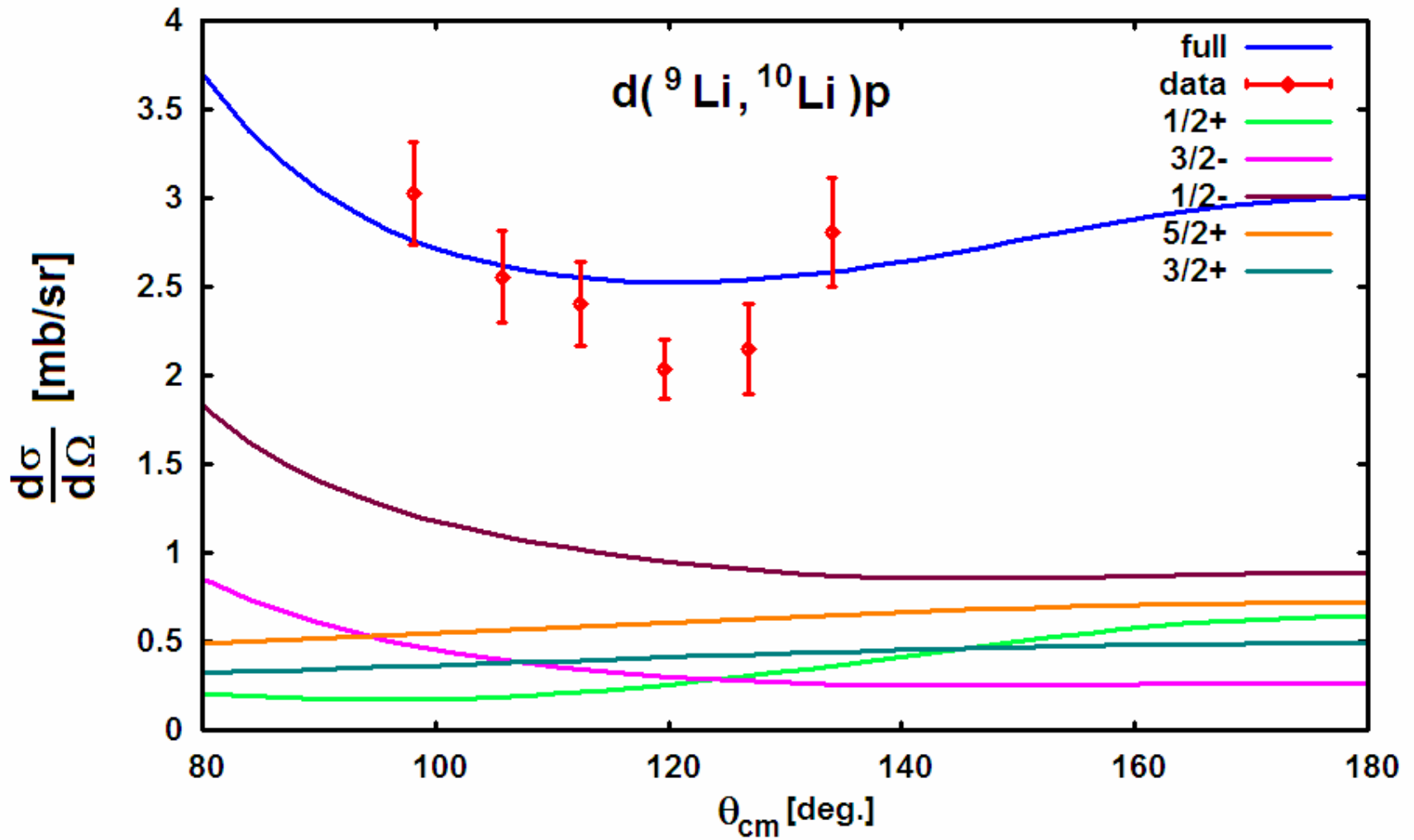
$^{10}\text{Li}(J^\pi)p @ T_{\text{lab}} = 2.36 \text{ A MeV}$   
 averaged Spectrum



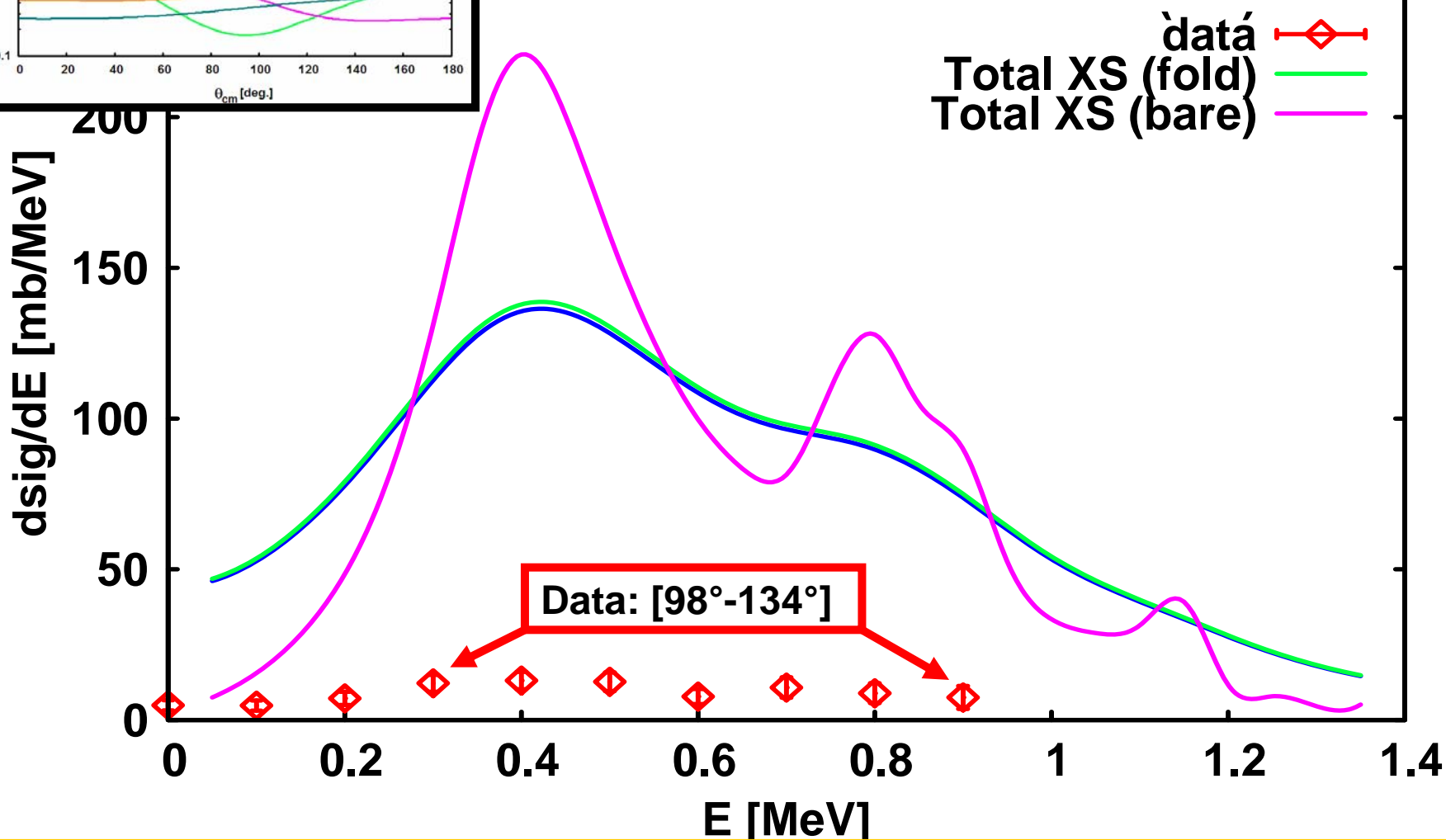
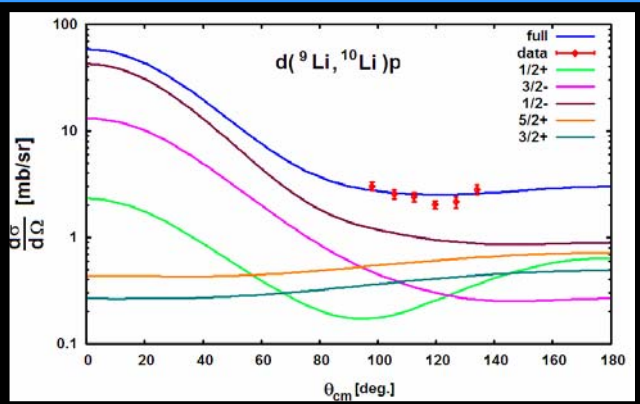
$d(^9\text{Li}(3/2^-), ^{10}\text{Li}(J^\pi))p$  @  $T_{\text{lab}} = 2.36 \text{ A MeV}$   
energy-integrated Angular Distribution



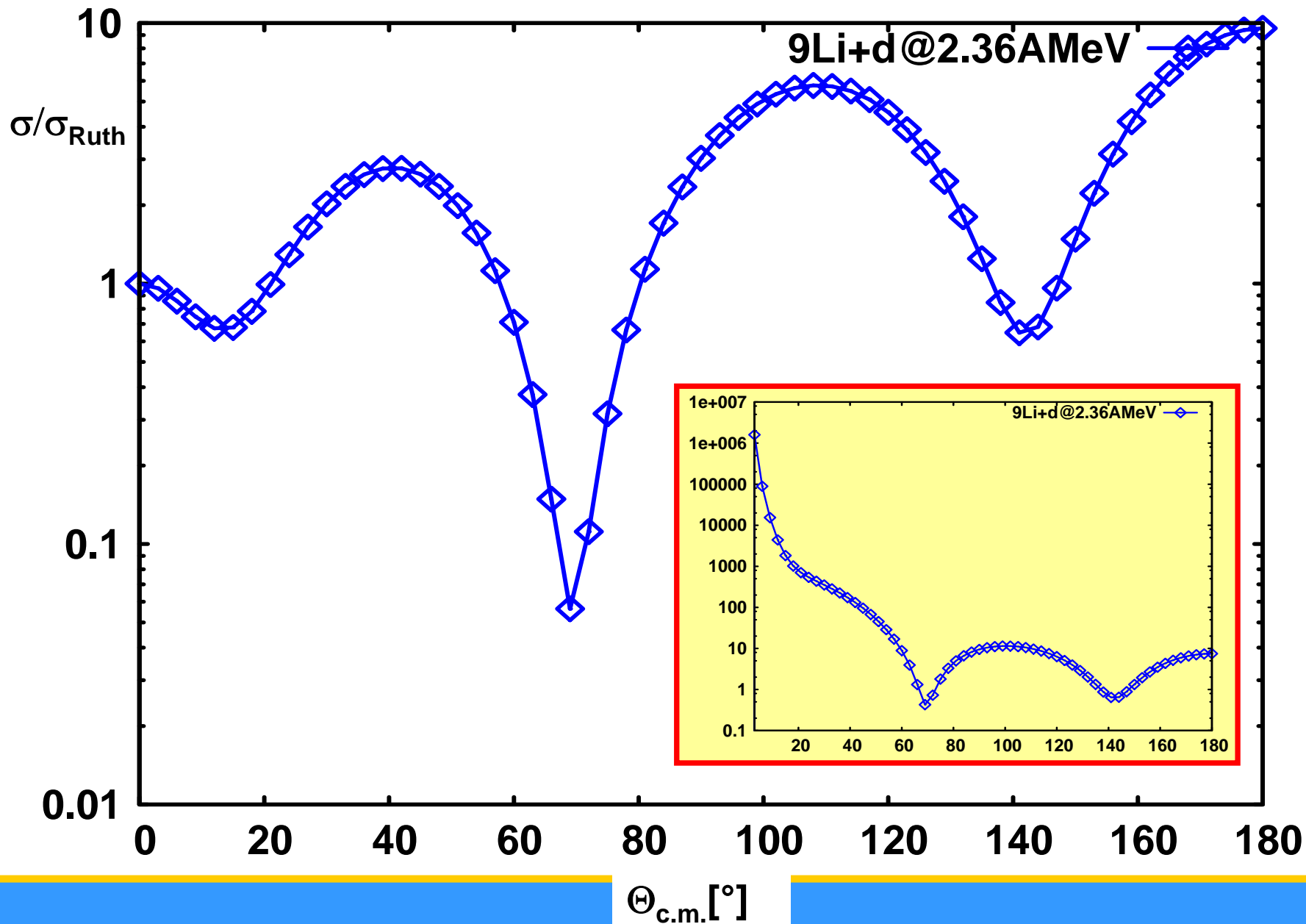
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 The **Carlos B. -Special**: Linear Scale



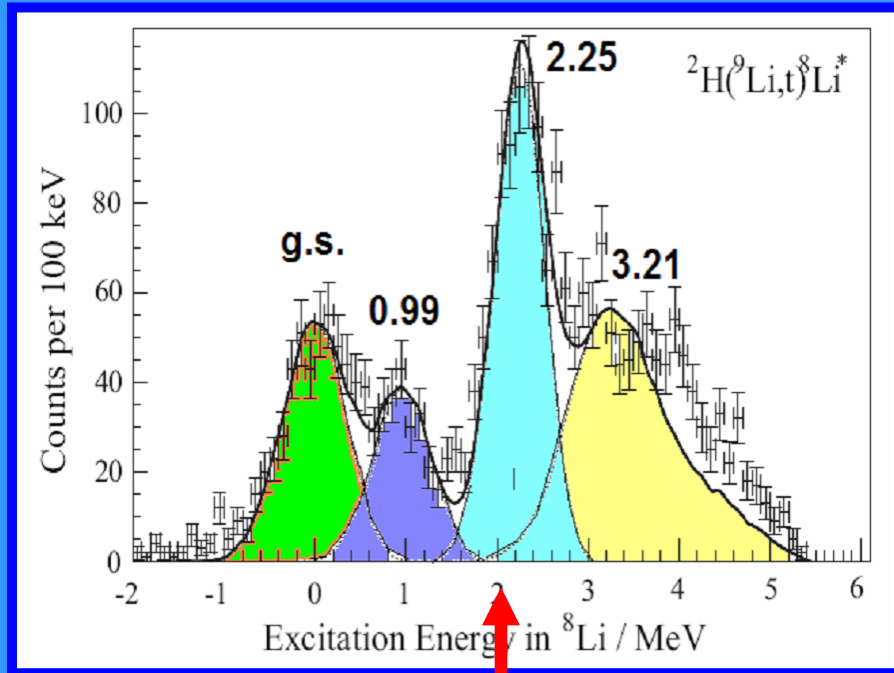
# $^{10}\text{Li}$ spectrum - theta=[0,180]



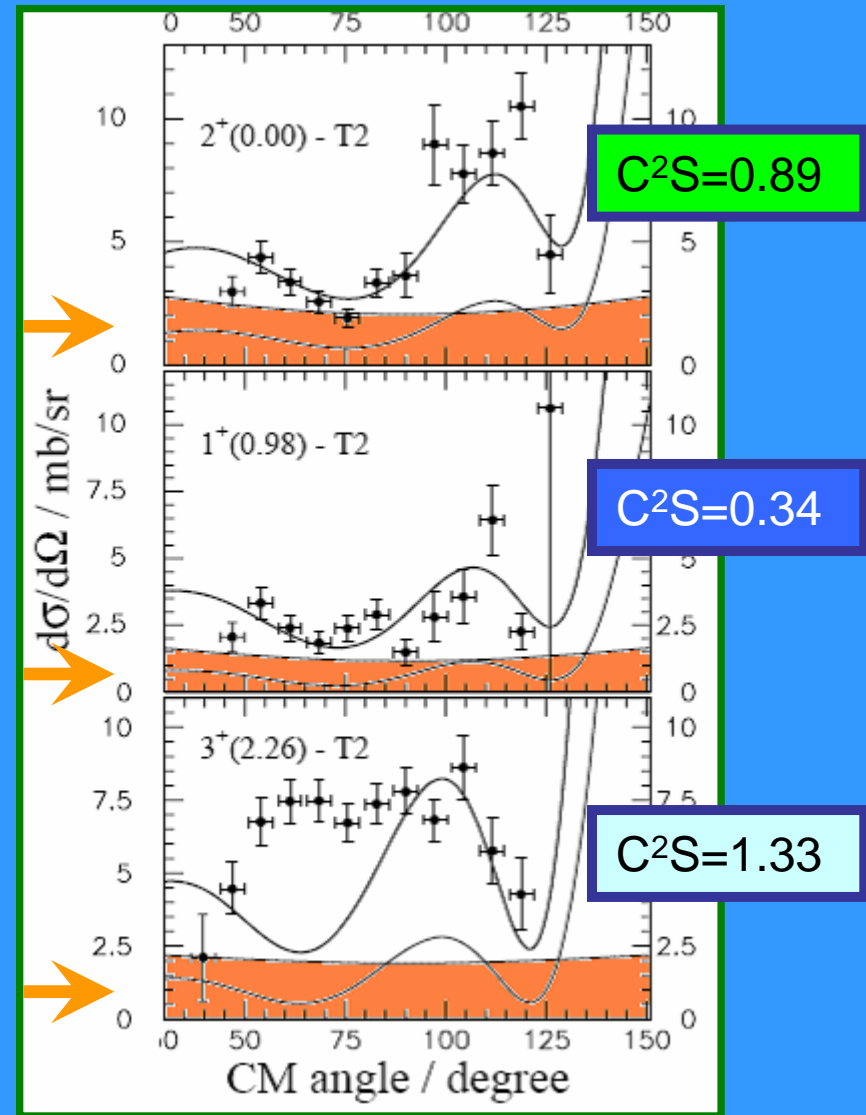
# Elastic Scattering



# The ${}^9\text{Li}+d \rightarrow {}^8\text{Li}+t$ Reaction @ REX-ISOLDE Theory and Data $T_{\text{lab}}=2.36$ AMeV



$S_n=2.032\text{MeV}$



H. Jeppesen,..B. Jonson,.., H.L,..  
A. Richter et al., PLB635 (2006) 17

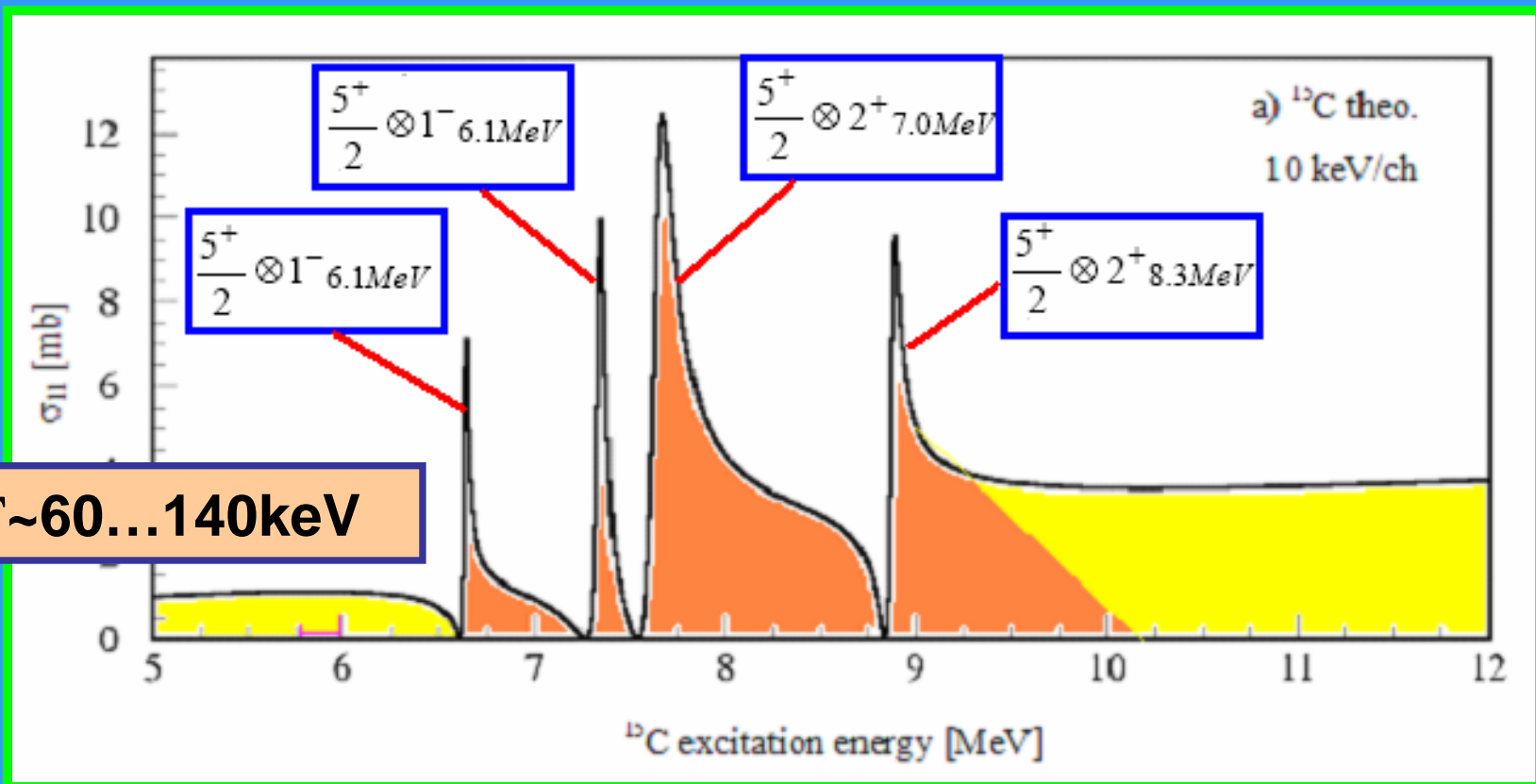
# Fano-Resonances in the Nuclear Continuum

$$\left(h_j^{(1)} - \varepsilon_1\right)\phi_j + \sum_{j' J_C} \langle 0 | V_{13} | J_C \rangle \phi_{j' J_C} = 0$$

g.s., elastic

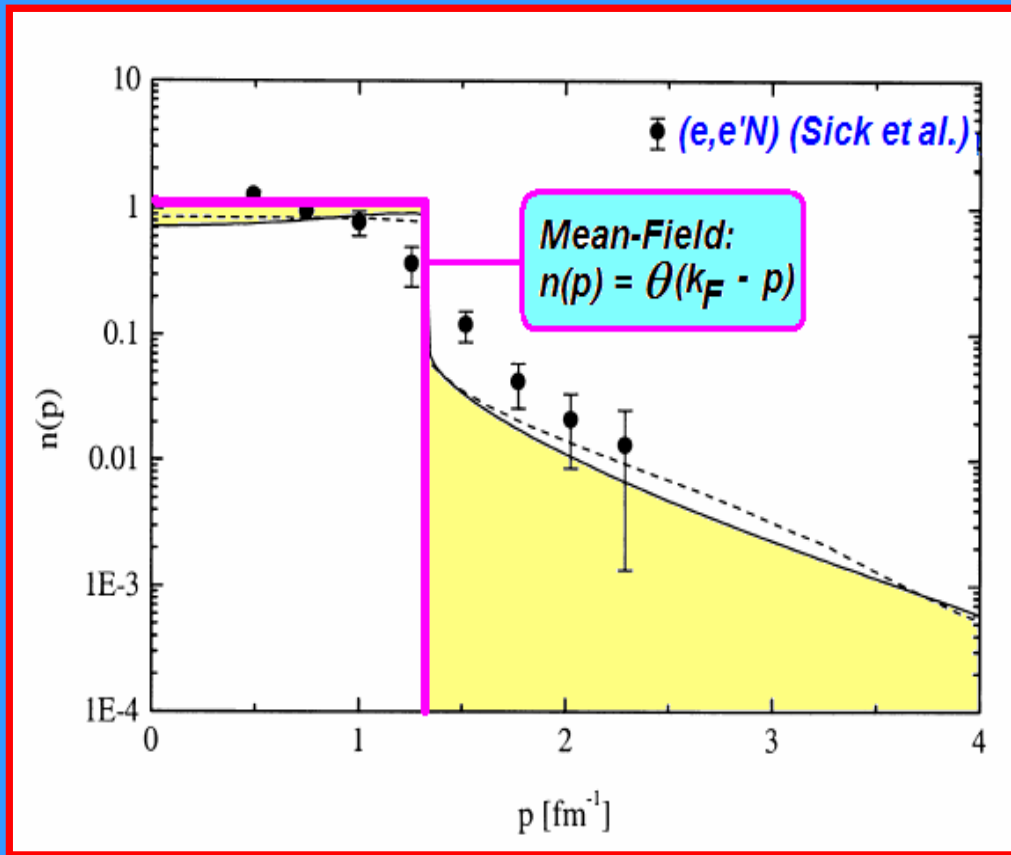
$$\left(h_{j' J_C}^{(i)} - \varepsilon_i\right)\phi_{j' J_C} + \sum_n \langle J_C | V_{13} | 0 \rangle \phi_j = 0$$

inelastic



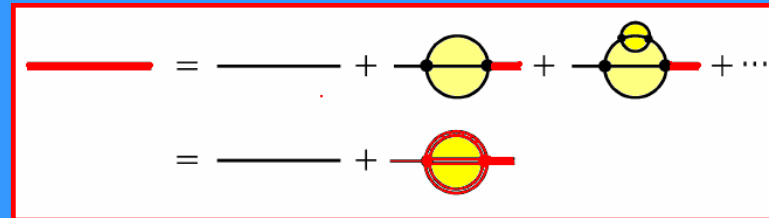


# Beyond the Mean-Field: Short-range Correlations in Nuclear Matter



## Momentum Distribution

$$n(p) = N(k_F) \int a(p, \omega) d\omega$$



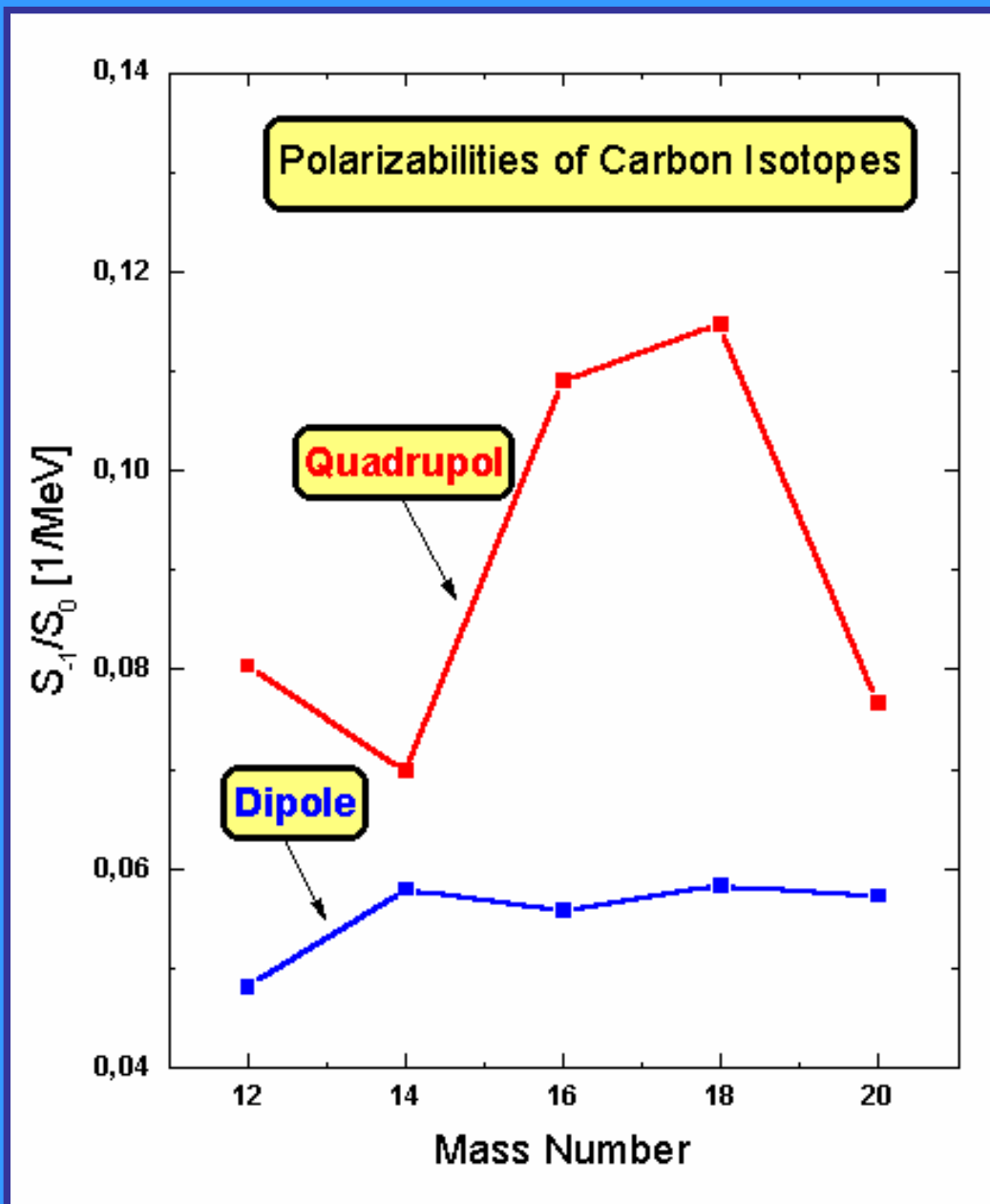
## Self-consistent inclusion of sun-set diagrams:

$$V \sim V_{\omega, \sigma} + V_{\rho} \sim g^2 \sim |M|^2$$

$$a(\omega, p) = \frac{\Gamma(\omega, p)}{\left(\omega - \frac{p^2}{2m} - \Sigma^{\text{mf}} - \text{Re} \Sigma^{\text{ret}}(\omega, p)\right)^2 + \frac{1}{4}\Gamma^2(\omega, p)},$$

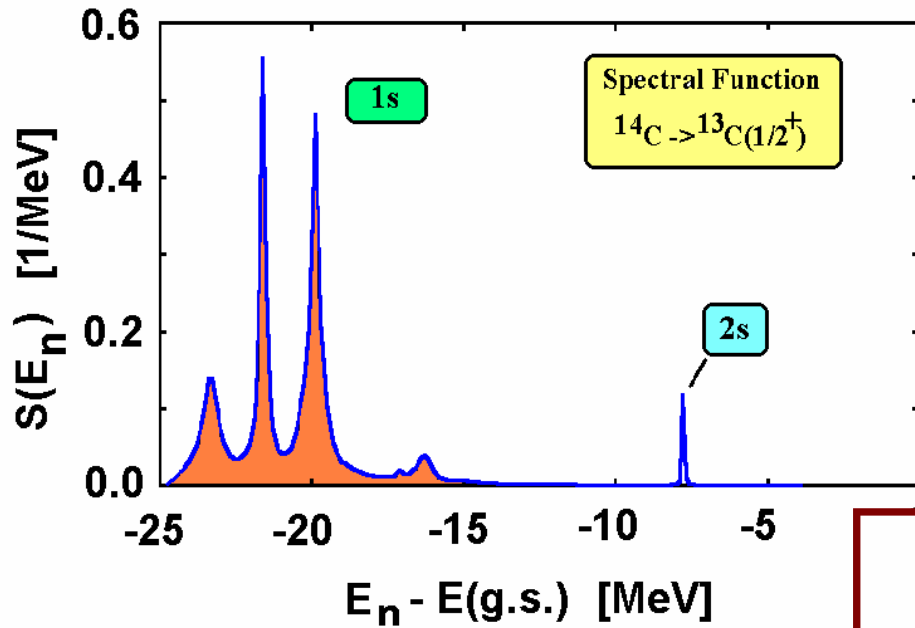
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# HFB+QRPA results

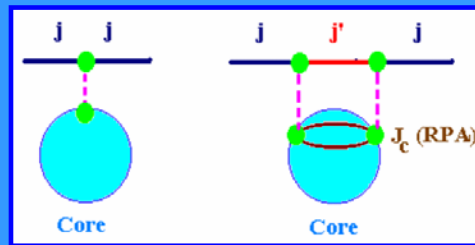


## Dynamical Core Polarization:

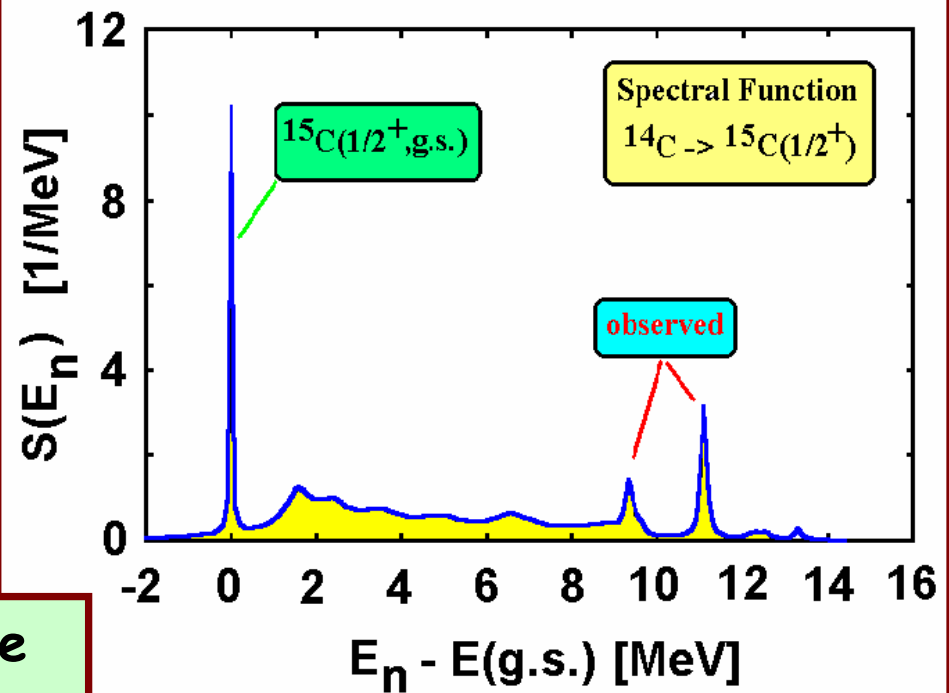
- HFB g.s.: „3-body renormalized“  $G$ -Matrix
- ph-Interactions: Fermi Liquid Theory



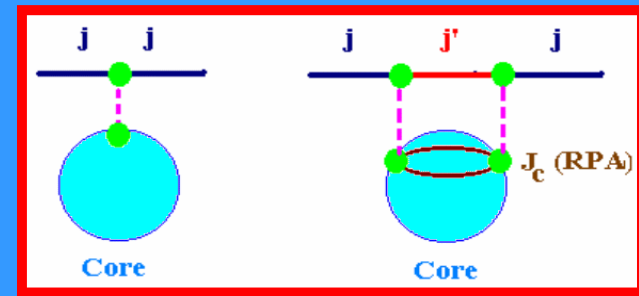
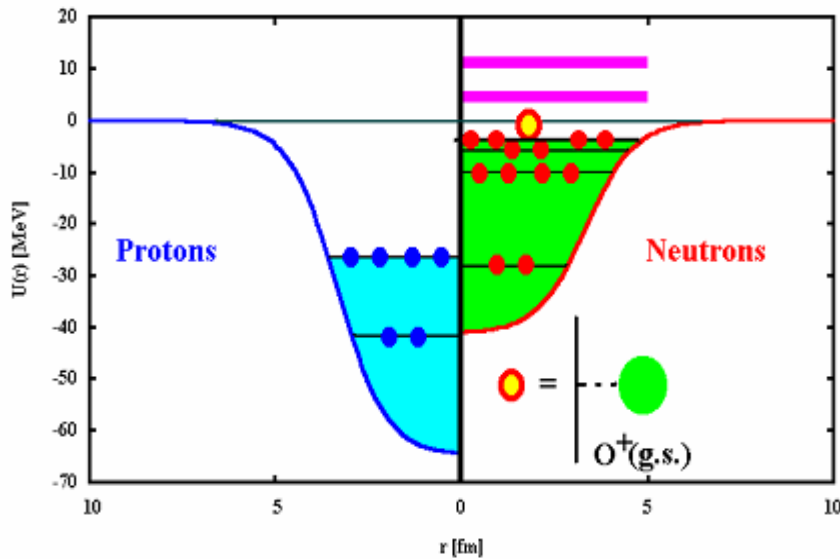
Hole Spectrum



Particle Spectrum

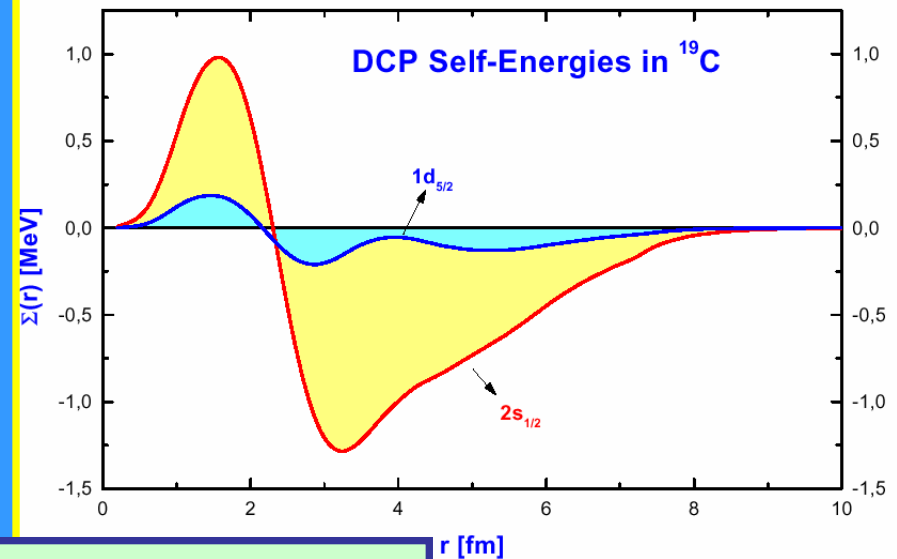
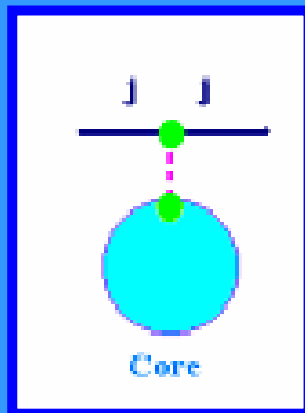


# The Neutron Halo in $^{19}\text{C}$ : Transition from Mean-Field to Correlation Dynamics



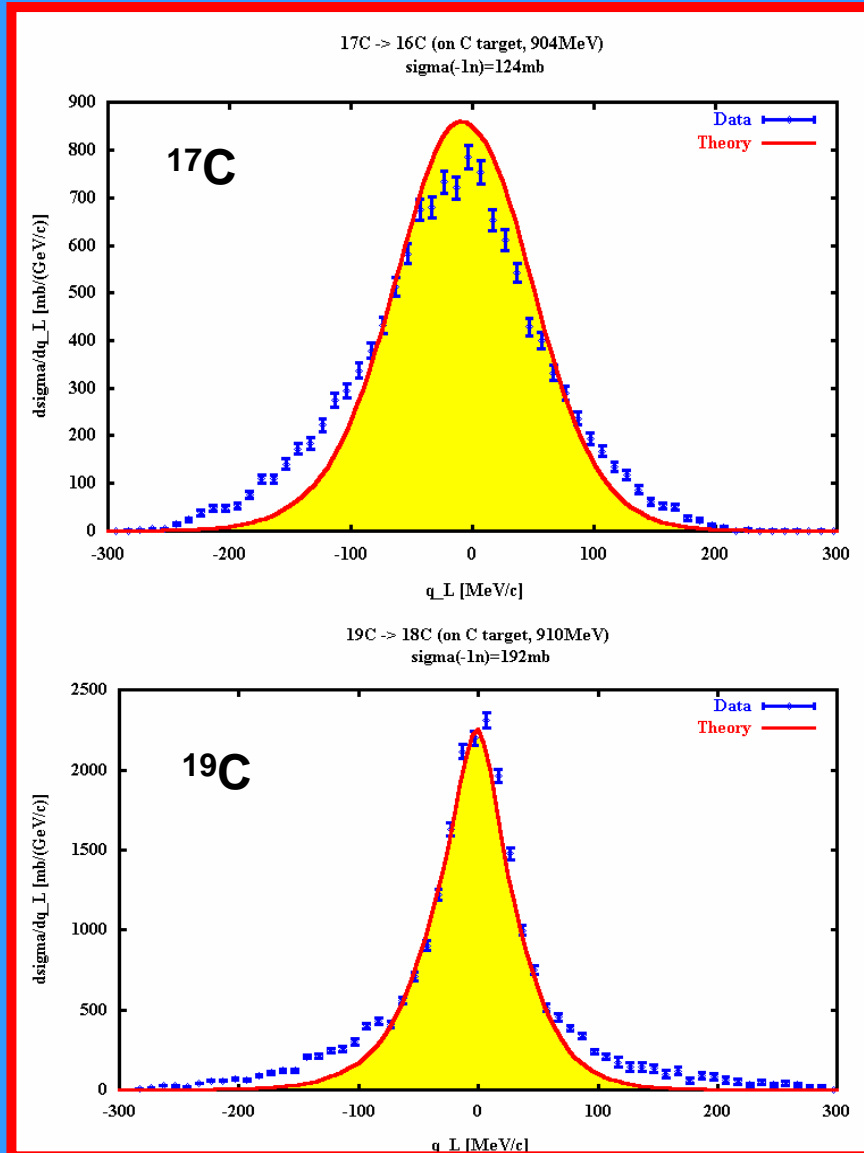
The DCP picture: Binding by  
Virtual Continuum Coupling

The s.p. shell model picture



H.L., J. Prog.Part.Nucl. 561 (2004)

# Longitudinal Momentum Distributions: $^{17,19}\text{C} \rightarrow ^{16,18}\text{C} + n$ Carbon Target, $E_{\text{lab}} \approx 900 \text{ A MeV}$



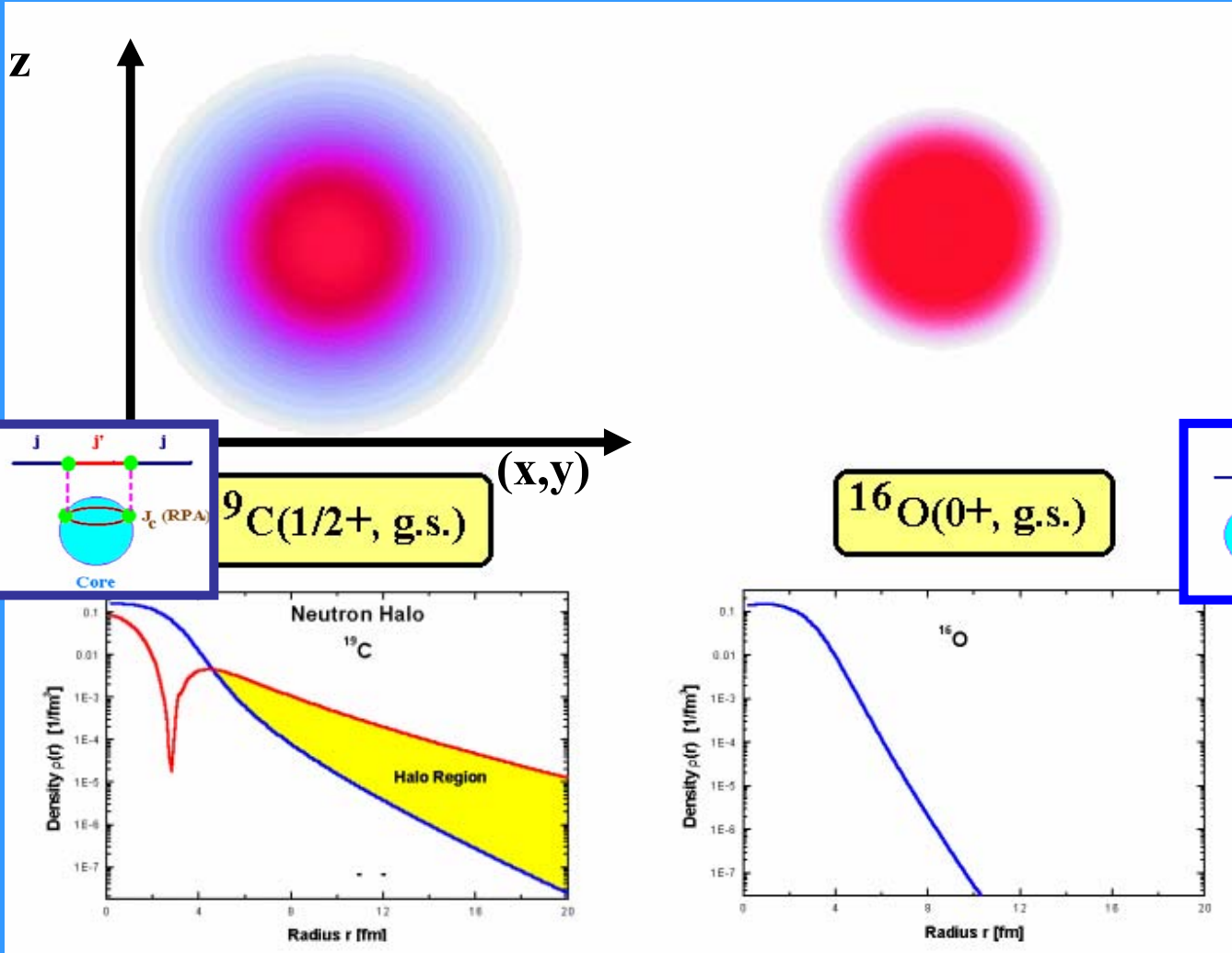
## • Binding: Correlation Dynamics

- $^{17}\text{C}(5/2+, \text{g.s.})$
- $S_n(\text{the.})=715 \text{ keV}$
- $C^2S(\text{g.s.}) = 0.41$
- $\Gamma(\text{the.}): 132 \text{ MeV/c}$
- $\Gamma(\text{exp.}): 143 \pm 5 \text{ MeV/c}$
- $\sigma(-1n, \text{the.}): 124 \text{ mb}$
- $\sigma(-1n, \text{exp.}): 129 \pm 22 \text{ mb}$

## • Binding: Correlation Dynamics

- $^{19}\text{C}(1/2+, \text{g.s.})$
- $S_n(\text{the.})=263 \text{ keV}$
- $C^2S(\text{g.s.}) = 0.40$
- $\Gamma(\text{the.}): 69 \text{ MeV/c}$
- $\Gamma(\text{exp.}): 68 \pm 3 \text{ MeV/c}$
- $\sigma(-1n, \text{the.}): 192 \text{ mb}$
- $\sigma(-1n, \text{exp.}): 233 \pm 51 \text{ mb}$

# Shape and Size of $^{19}\text{C}$ and $^{16}\text{O}$



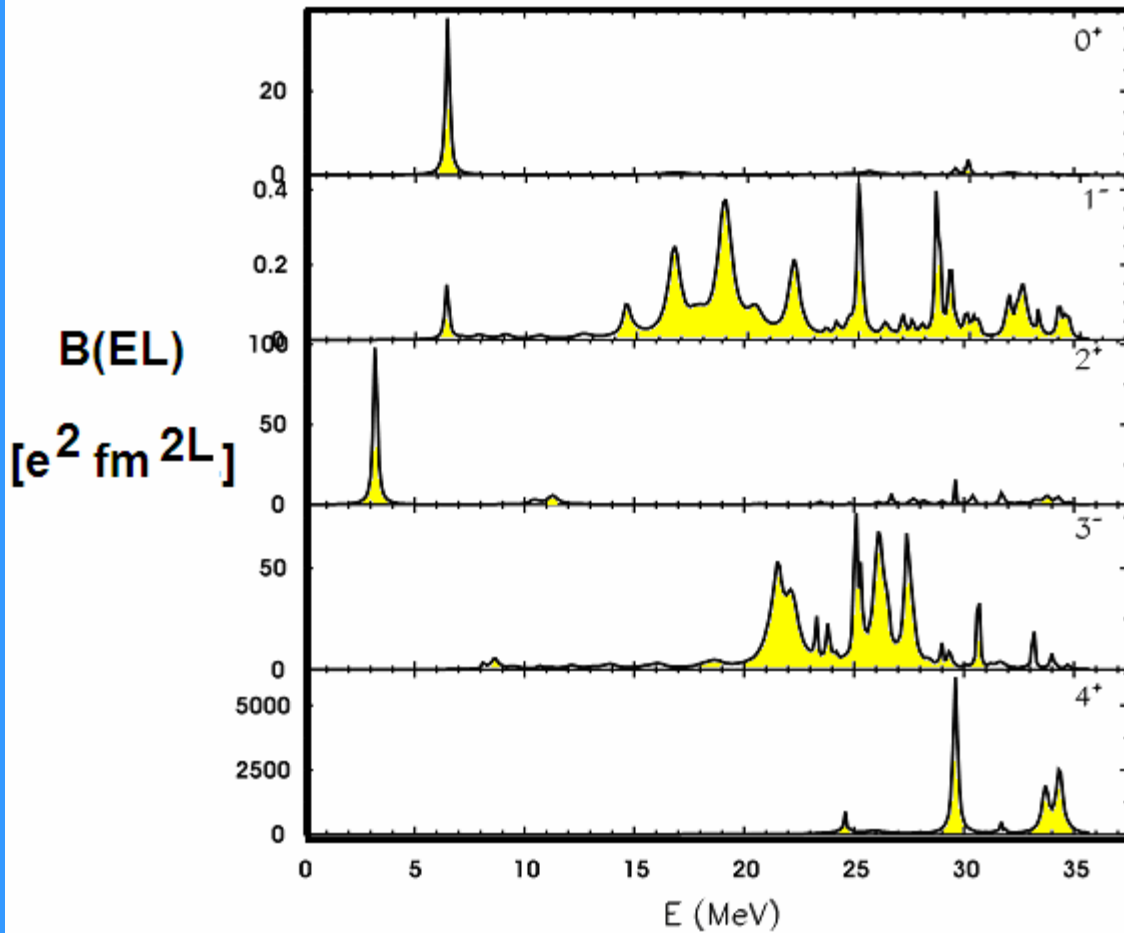
$$\sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle (1/2+)} = 5.34 \text{ fm}$$

$$S = 0.40$$

$$\sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle (1/2-)} = 2.96 \text{ fm}$$

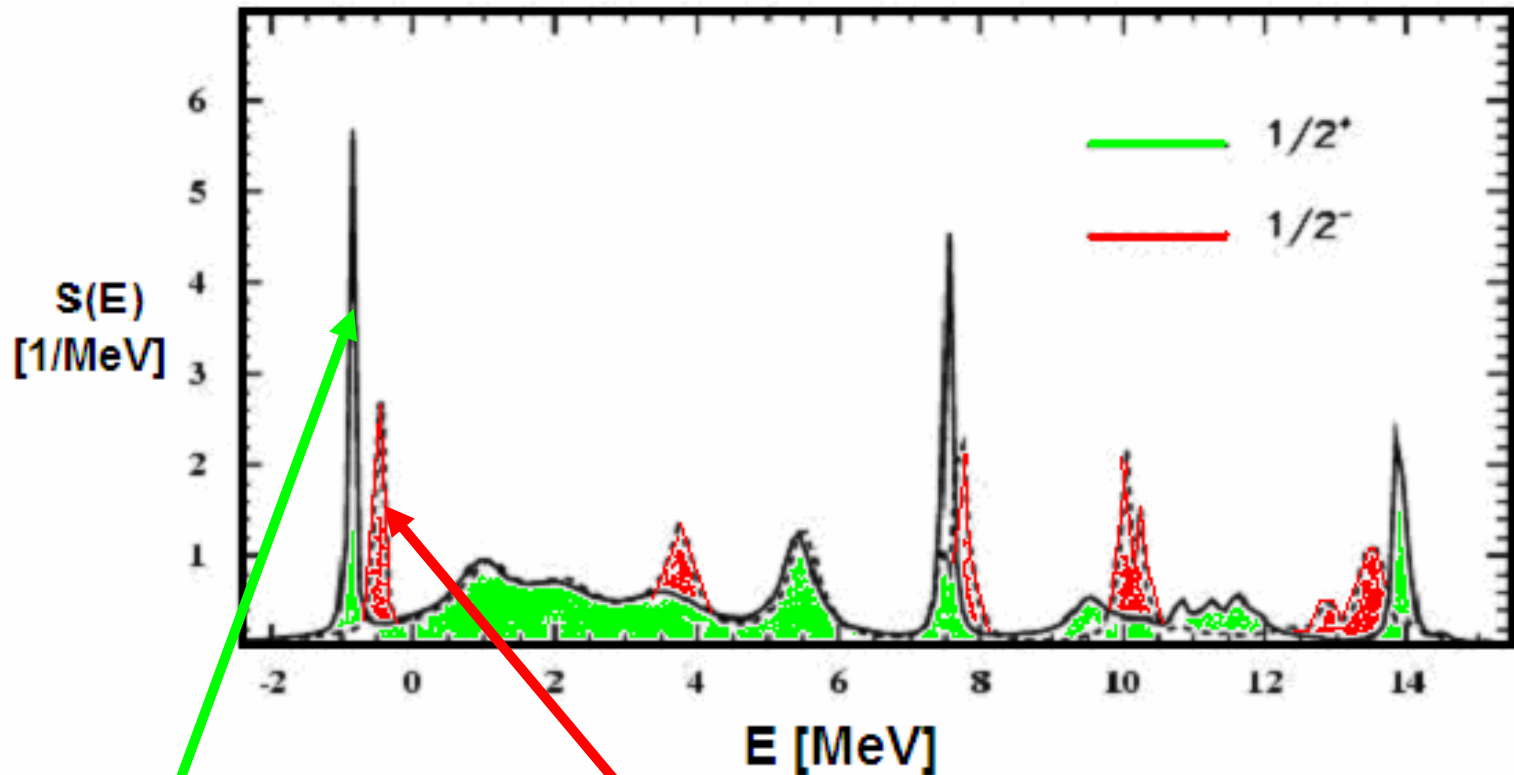
$$S = 0.97$$

# QRPA Response in $^{10}\text{Be}$



|       | $E_{\text{th}}$ [MeV] | $E_{\text{exp}}$ [MeV] |
|-------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| $2^+$ | 3.220                 | 3.368                  |
| $1^-$ | 6.423                 | 5.960                  |
| $0^+$ | 6.513                 | 6.179                  |
| $2^-$ | 6.446                 | 6.263                  |
| $3^-$ | 7.372                 | 7.371                  |
| $4^-$ |                       | (9.270)                |
| $1^+$ | 7.122                 |                        |
| $3^+$ | 7.159                 |                        |
| $0^-$ | 7.374                 |                        |

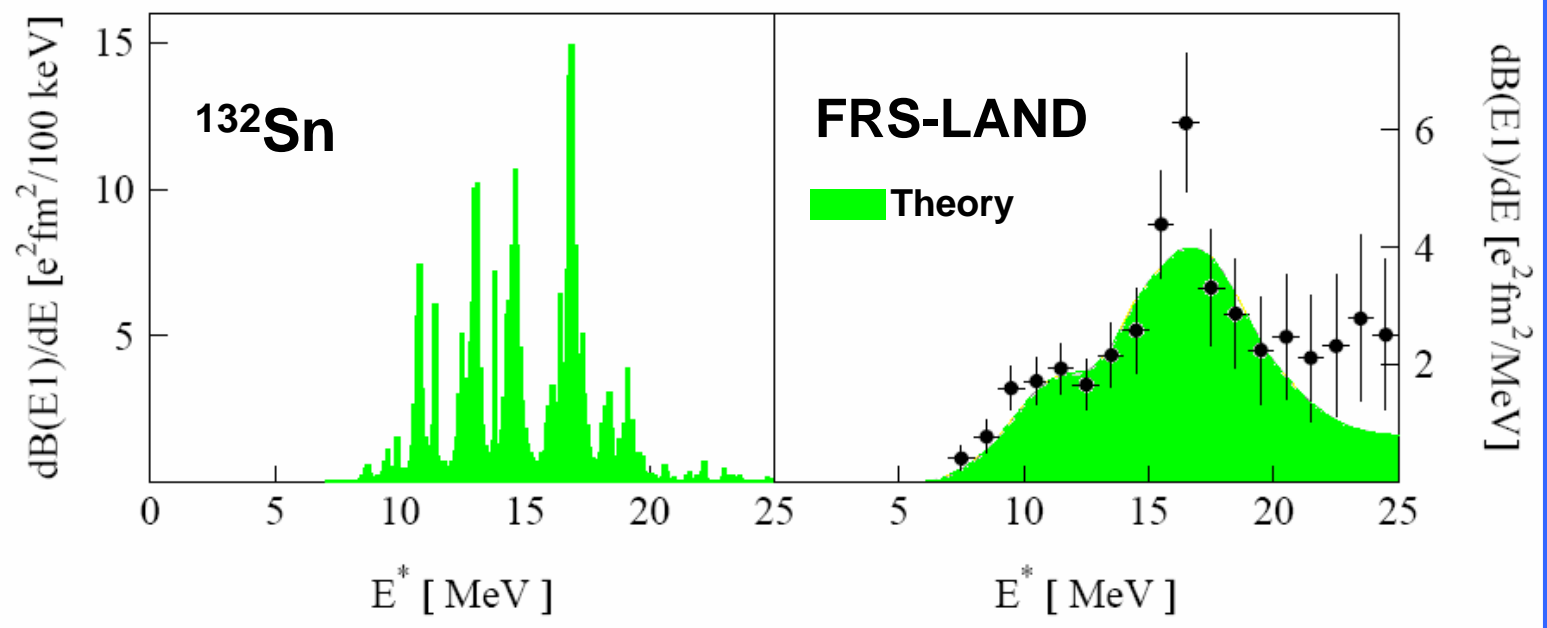
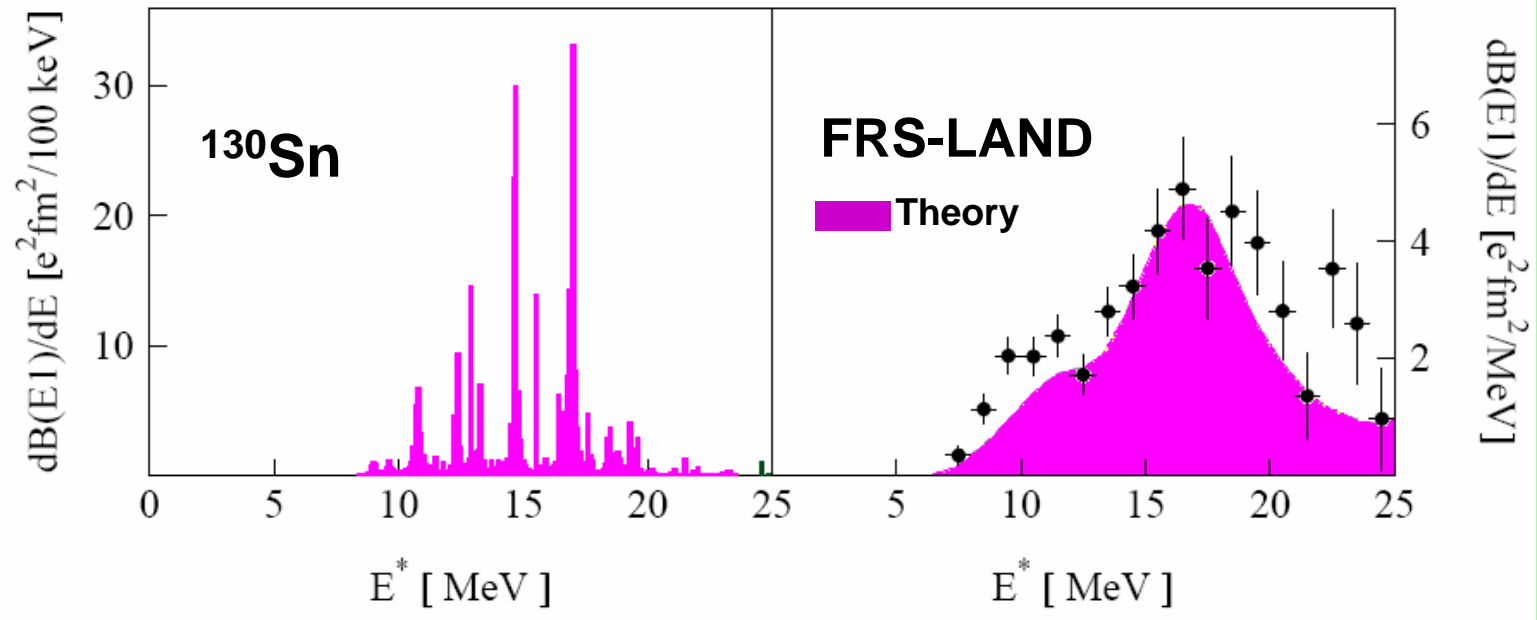
# DCP Neutron Spectral Distributions in $^{10}\text{Be}$



$[0^+ \times 1/2^+]$ : 0.79  
 $[2^+ \times 5/2^+]$ : 0.18

$[0^+ \times 1/2^-]$ : 0.58  
 $[2^+ \times 3/2^-]$ : 0.28





## Summary and Outlook:

- *ab initio* description of stable and unstable Nuclei
- Pairing in the Continuum
- Halos and Skins
- New Modes
- Dynamical Correlations and Shell Structures
- Reactions on Exotic Nuclei
- Neutron Star Matter and Neutron Stars

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