

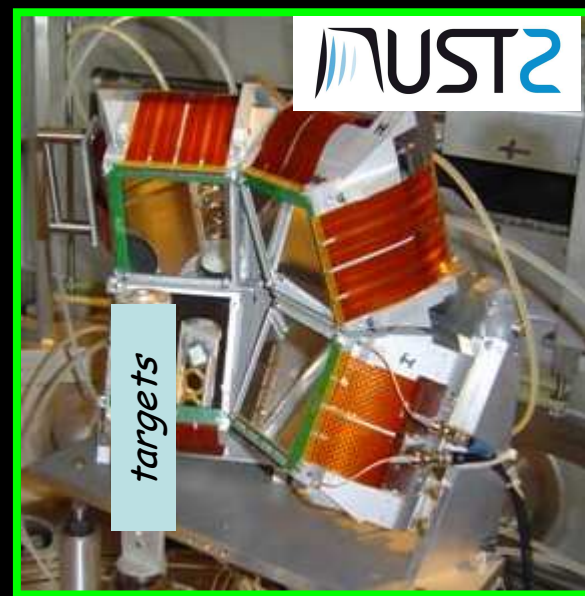
Resonant states of the exotic nuclei ${}^6, {}^7, {}^8\text{He}$ via direct reactions on a proton target

*Edifices at the limit
 of the nuclear binding*



2nd-5th Nov. 08

PISA08



Spectroscopy of dripline nuclei HELIUM 6,7,8 by direct reactions on p



GOAL ?

Extension of systematics of **neutron excitation** along isotopic chains
Characteristics of structure + low-lying resonances of drip-line nuclei

EXCITATION ENERGY SPECTRUM FOR ${}^6\text{He} \rightarrow {}^8\text{He}(p,t){}^8\text{He}^*$



Experimental
Tools ?

Probe the structure & spectroscopy at large isospin
→ Measure **unbound states**
→ detection device for particle spectroscopy



Interpretation ?

COUPLED REACTION CHANNEL calculations

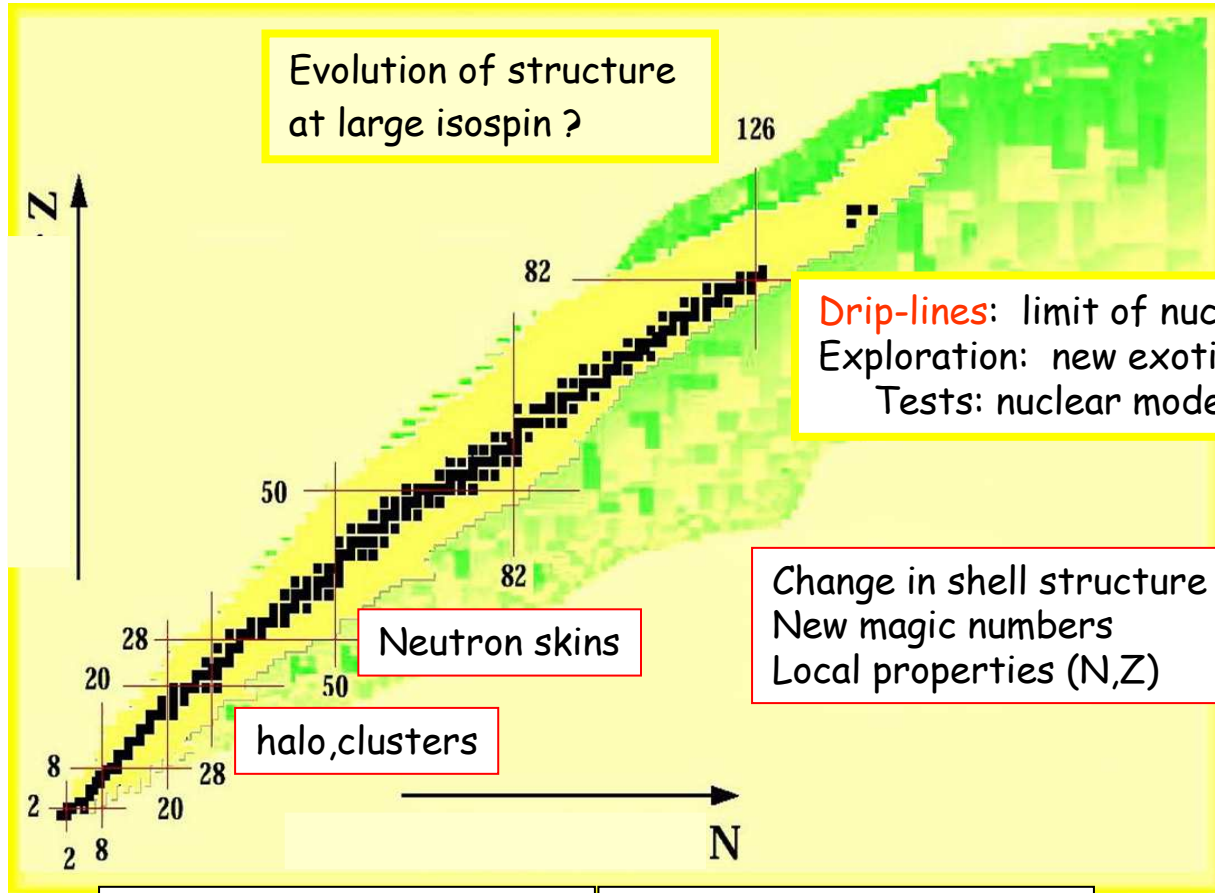


QUESTIONS...

Perspectives

Understanding of resonant states:
**NEED FOR AN IMPROVED THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK
OF STRUCTURE AND REACTIONS**

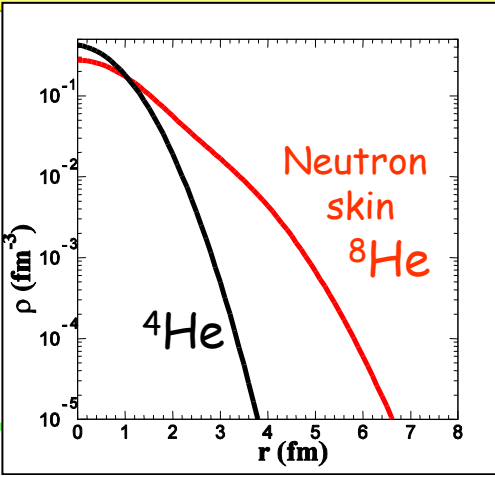
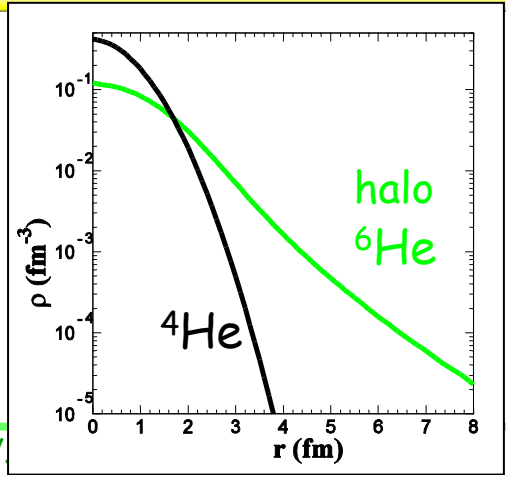
Nuclear structure towards the drip-lines : phenomena to explore & to understand

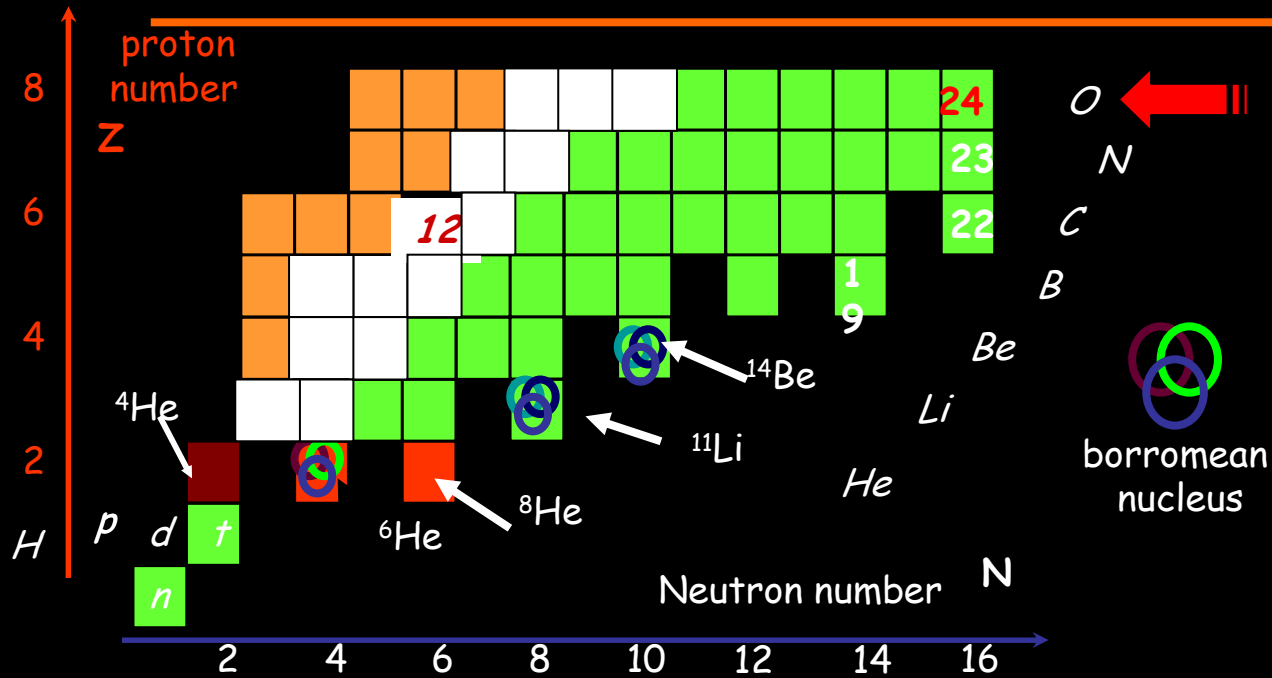


Drip-lines: limit of nuclear binding, large isospin
 Exploration: new exotic structures → neutron-skin
 Tests: nuclear modelling & interactions $V_{NN}(T_z)$

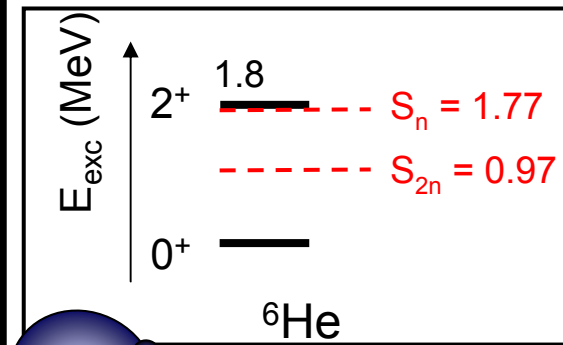
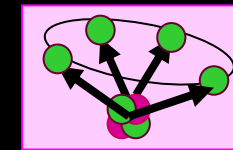
Change in shell structure
 New magic numbers
 Local properties (N,Z)

Weakly bound states?
 Continuum coupling?
 Isospin dependence?

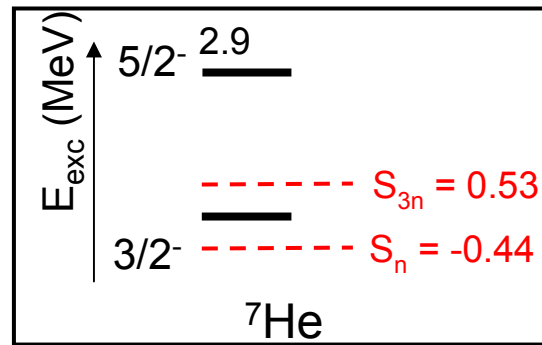




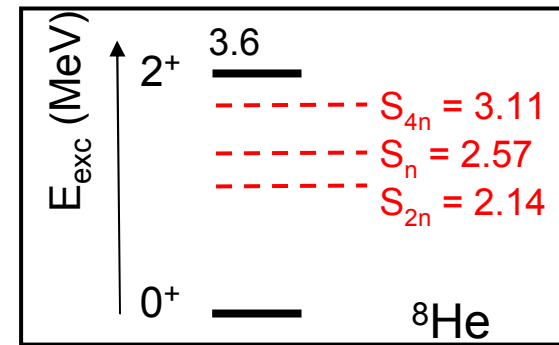
^8He drip-line nucleus
 $N/Z = 3$



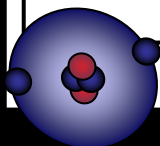
$T_{1/2} = 805 \text{ ms}$



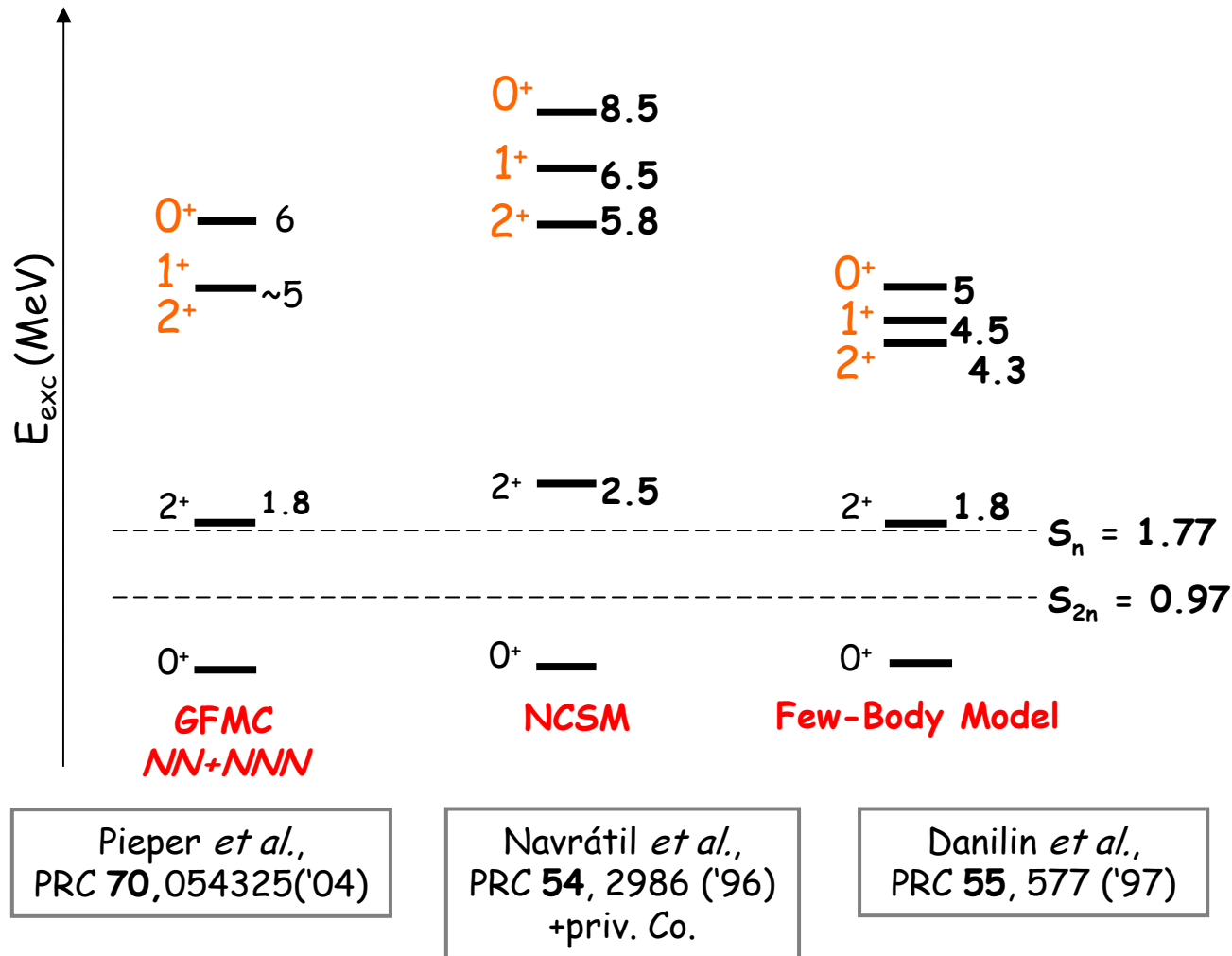
unbound



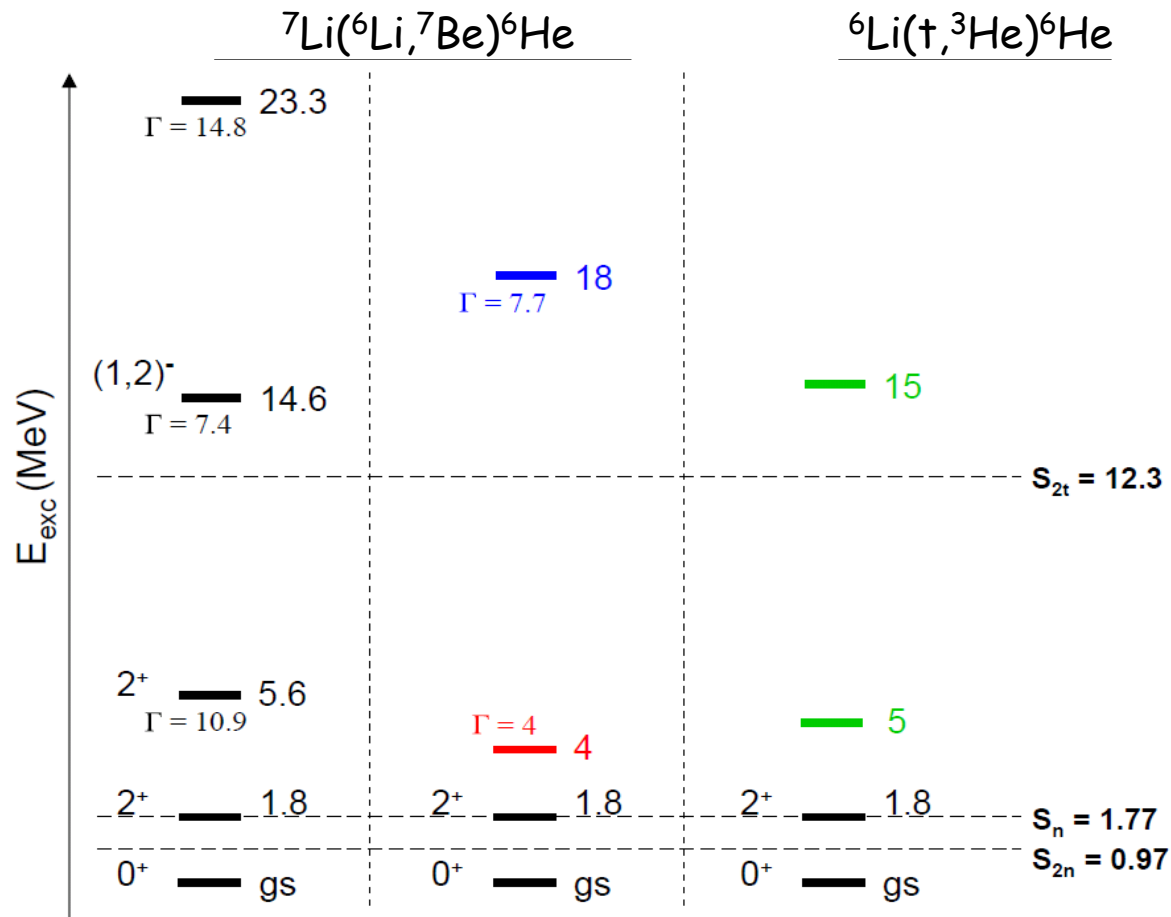
$T_{1/2} = 119 \text{ ms}$



Predictions for ${}^6\text{He}$ spectroscopy



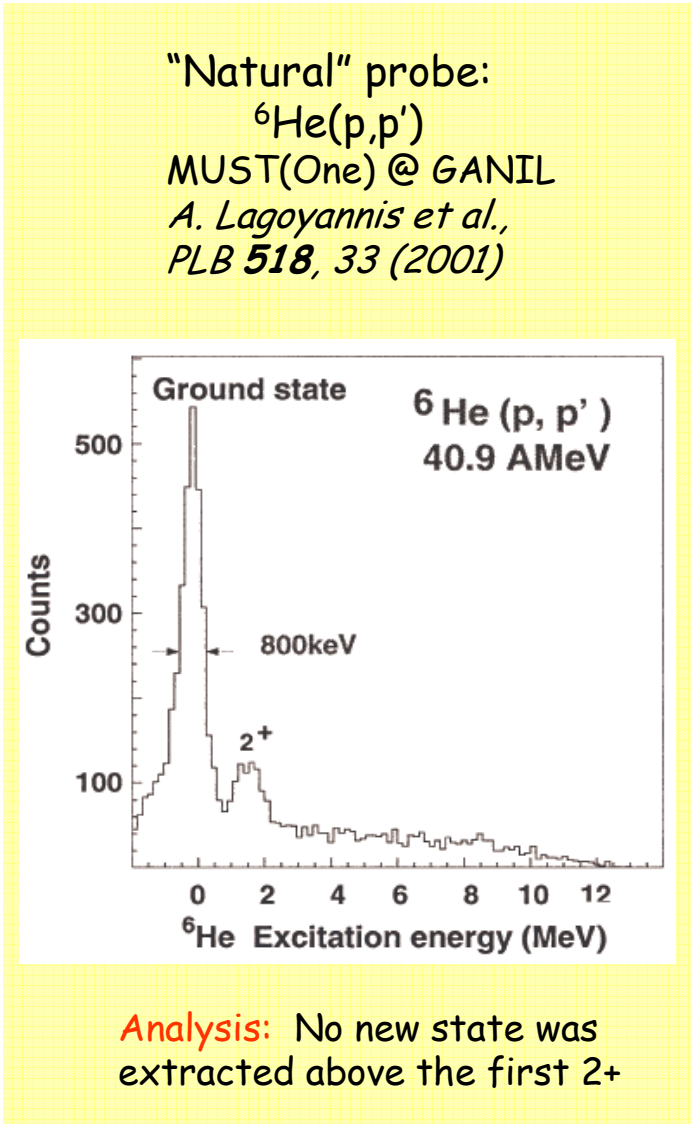
Experimental spectroscopy of ${}^6\text{He}$



Jänecke *et al.*,
PRC **54** ('96) 1070

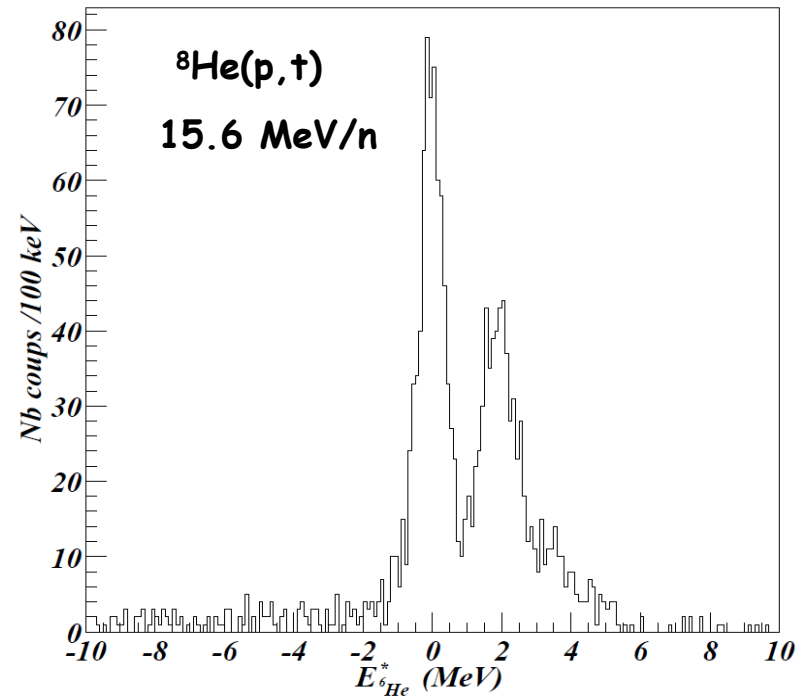
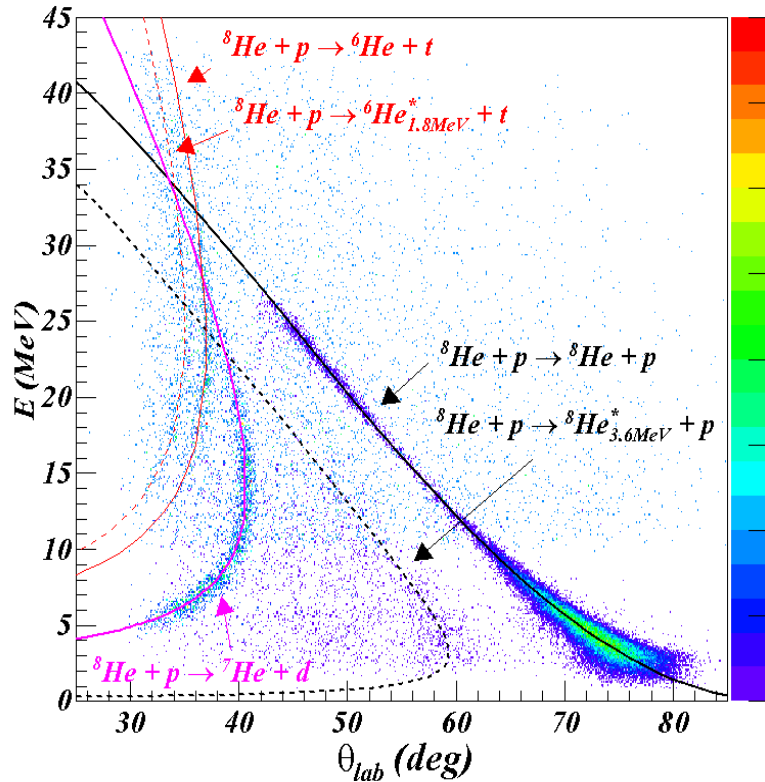
Nakamura, EPJA
13, 33 ('02); PLB
493, 209 ('02)

Nakayama *et al.*, PRL **85**, 262 ('00)
Akimune *et al.*, PRC **67**, 051302 ('03)



Results from a previous experiment E405S : $^8\text{He} + p$ at 15.6 MeV/n

E405S : goal of the experiment was $^8\text{He}(p,p')$] - MUST array ; SPIRAL ^8He beam
 Additional data for $^8\text{He}(p,t)^6\text{He}$



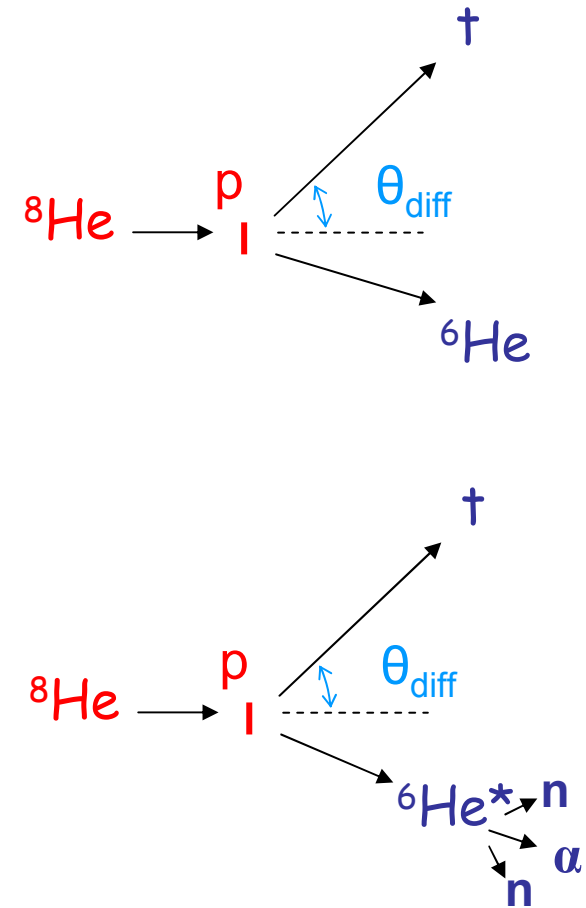
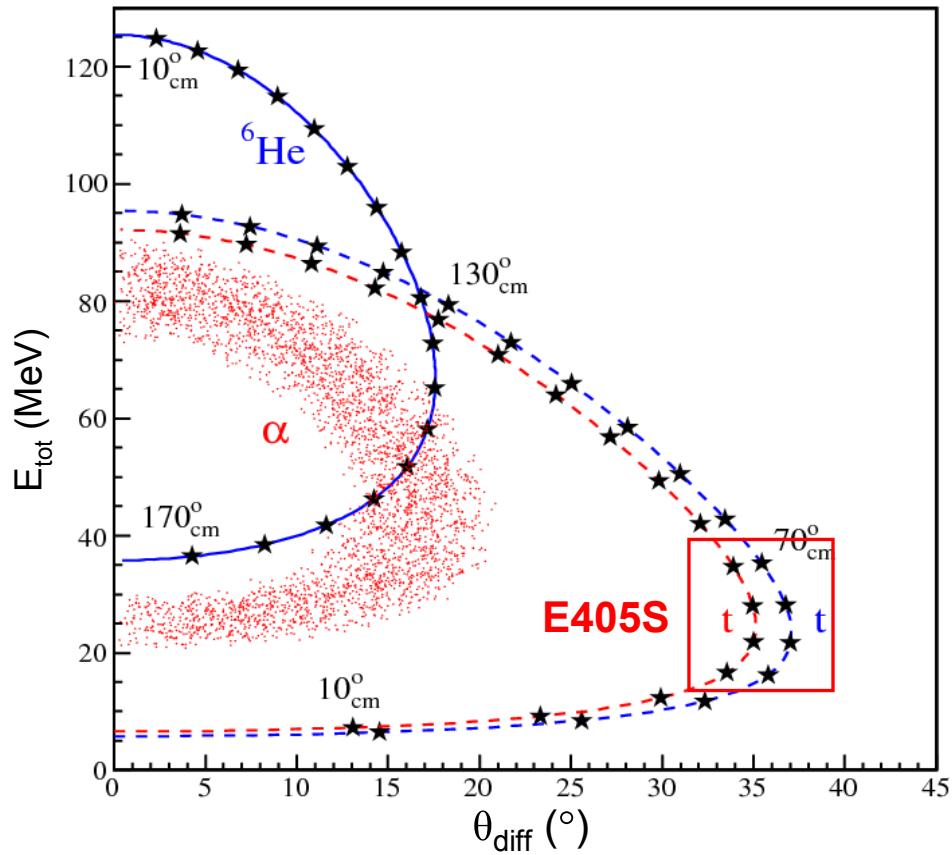
F. Skaza, CEA-Saclay SPhN, PhD (2004)

F. Skaza *et al.*, NP A 788 (2007) 260c

$d\sigma/d\Omega > 1 \text{ mb/sr}$
 for $^6\text{He}(0^+)$ and $^6\text{He}(2^+)$!
 N. Keeley *et al.*, PLB 646, 222('07)

$^8\text{He}(p,t)$ as a spectroscopic tool for ^6He

Kinematics of the (p,t) reaction



(E, x, y, t) + identification
for each particle



Kinematics
 $(E_{\text{tot}}, \theta_{\text{diff}})$

missing
⇒
mass

Spectra E^* + $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}$

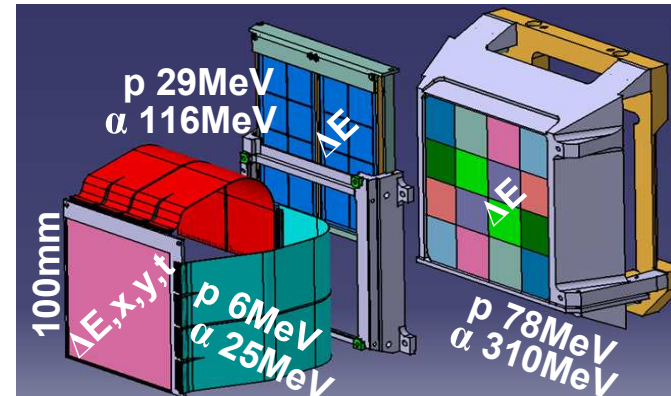
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March 2007-1st campaign
E525S-Spectroscopy of ${}^6\text{He}$ via ${}^8\text{He}(p,t)$
Spokesperson SPhN; collaboration MUST2
PhD Thesis: X. Mougeot (SPhN) [\rightarrow Sept 08]

- project achieved in 2006
- collaboration DAPNIA/SPhN, IPN Orsay, GANIL
- 6 telescopes 10x10 cm² Si-strips / SiLi / CsI
- high granularity 128 (X,Y)
- ASIC electronics 'MATE' Time and Energy for each channel** developed by DAPNIA/SEDI
- Compact geometry - 1400 channels (E,T)
- front-end electronics under vacuum

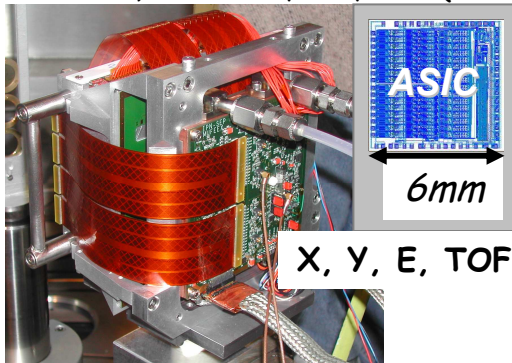
E. Pollacco *et al.*, EPJA 25, s01, 287 (2005)



Si 300 μm [SiLi 4.5 mm] ; CsI 40 mm ; 128(X,Y)

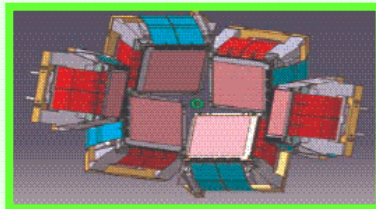
Resolutions : dx,dy ~ 0.53mm → dθ_{lab} ~ 0.2° à 15cm

DE (Si): 40keV at 5.5 MeV ; CsI crystals ~ 200 keV



direct reactions : (p,p'), (p,d) (p,t)
(d,d') (d,p) (d,t)

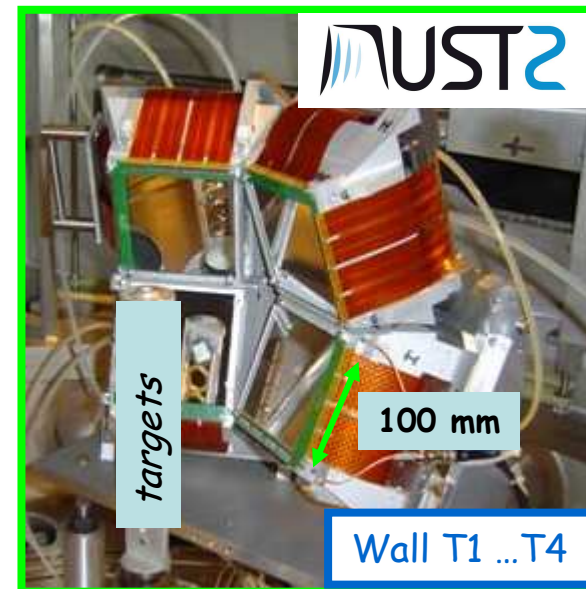
I (> 5. 10³/s)



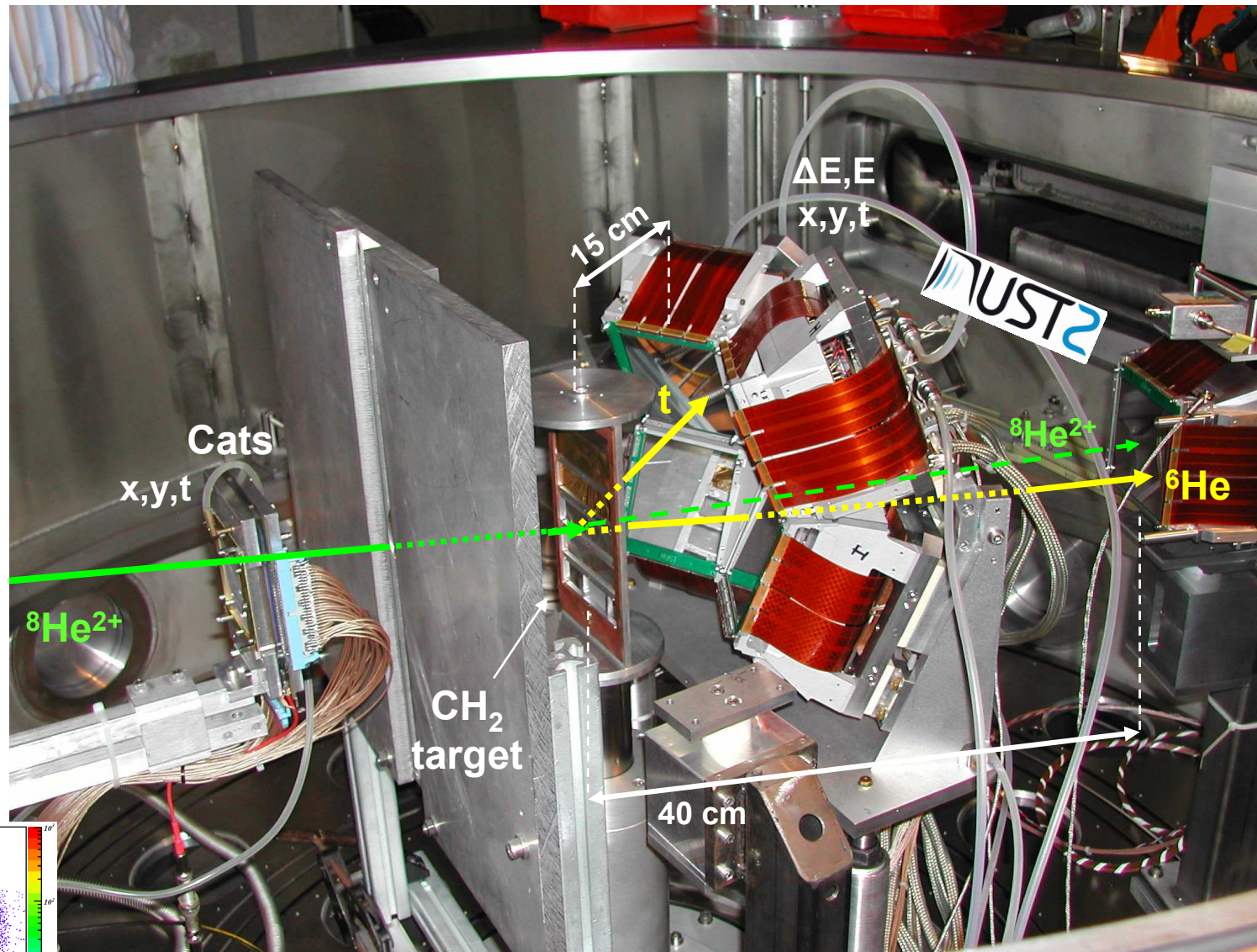
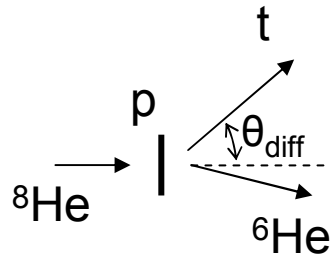
MUST2

+ EXOGAM + VAMOS

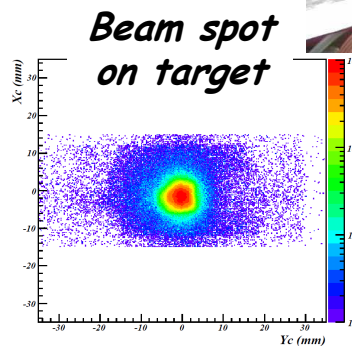
(d,pγ)



E525S : $^8\text{He}+p$ @ GANIL



SPIRAL beam
@ 15.4 MeV/n
 $\langle I \rangle \sim 18500$ pps



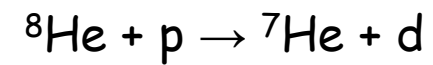
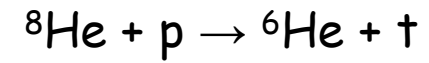
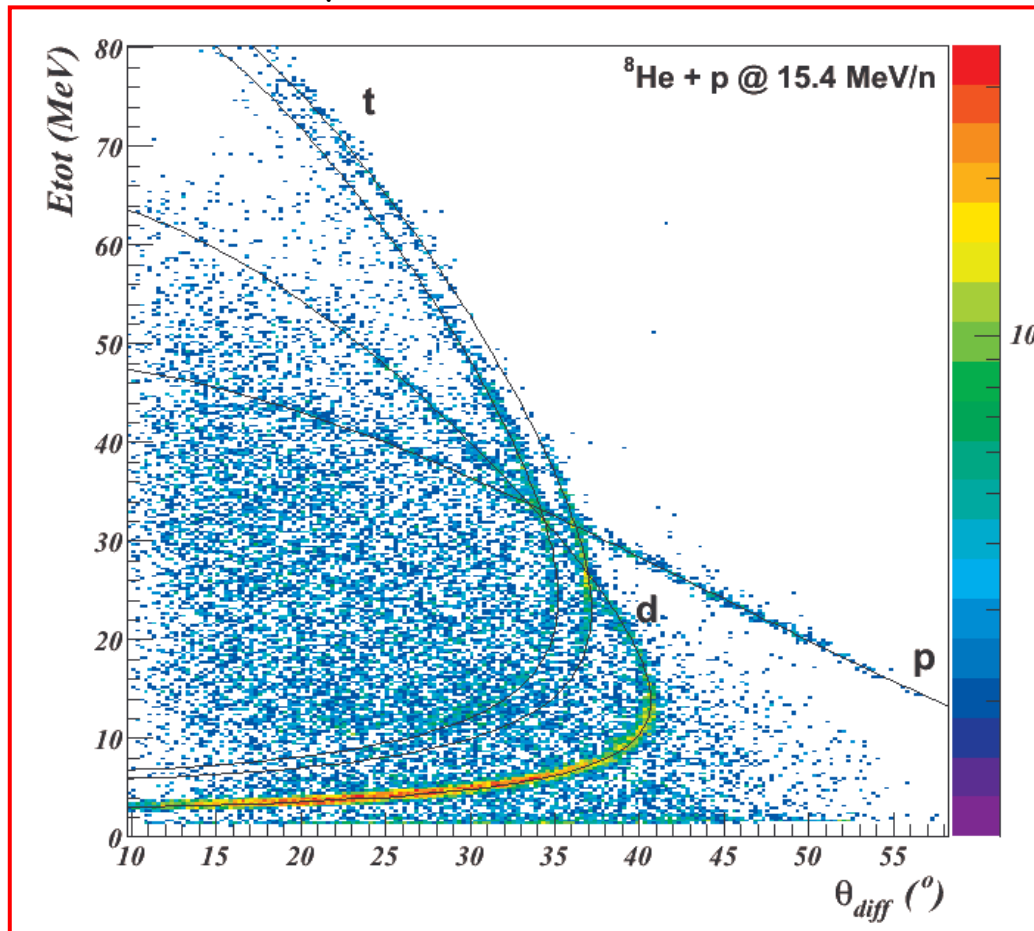
FWHM $\Delta X_c \sim 4$ mm et $\Delta Y_c \sim 5$ mm
Incident angles $\sim 0.5^\circ$

Kinematical reconstruction

CATS
impact on target
 θ_{inc}

MUST2
identification
 E_{tot}, θ

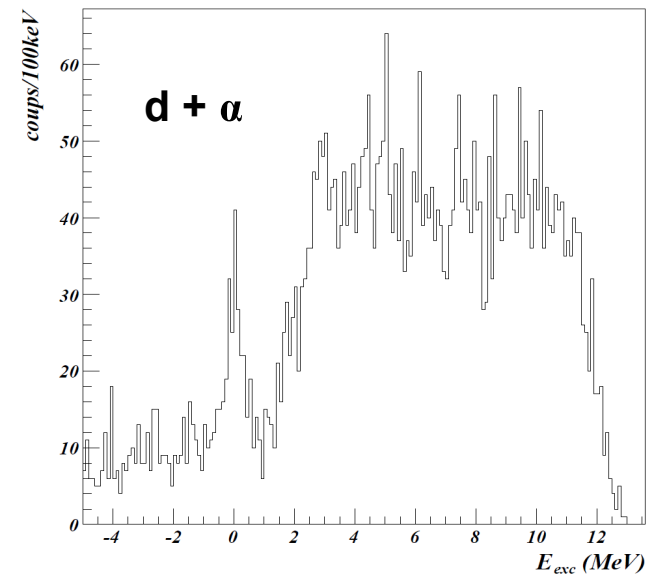
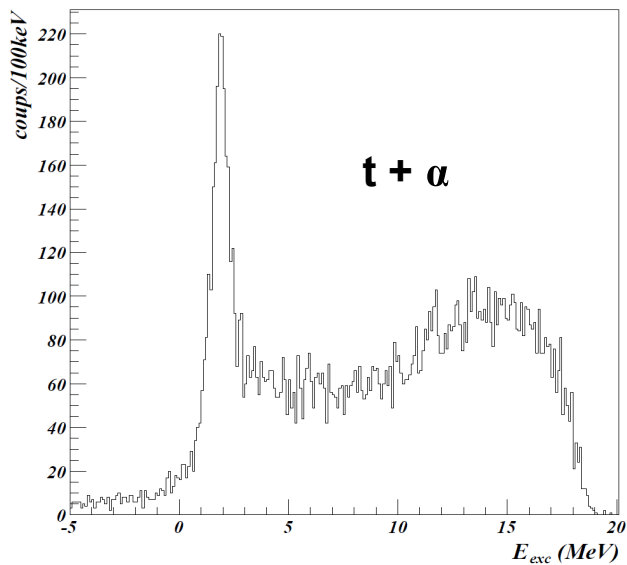
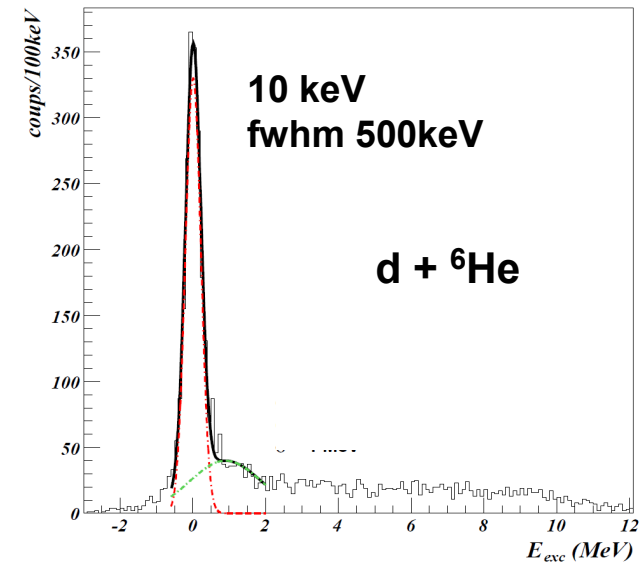
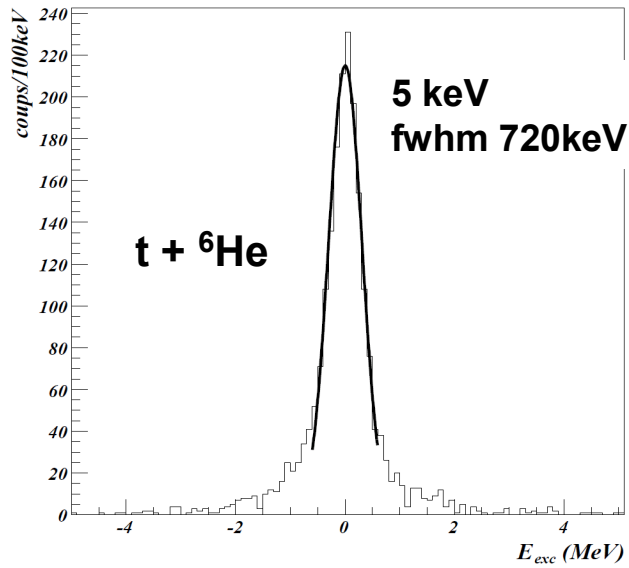
Resolution : 0.6 mm
Efficiency : 94 %



Missing \downarrow mass method

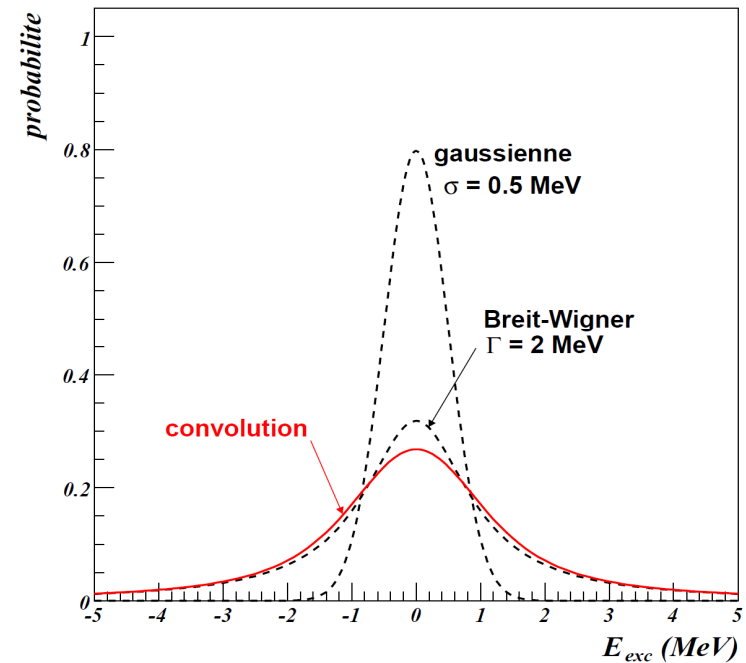
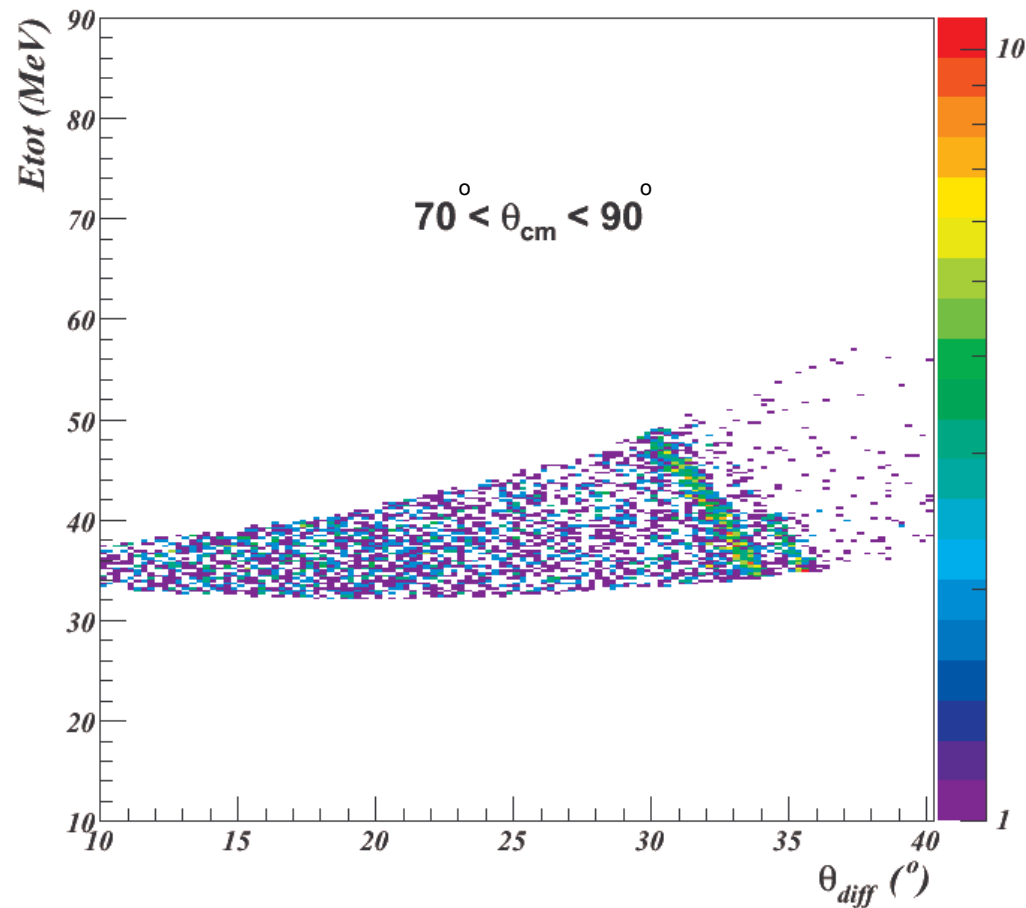
Spectra $E_{exc} + \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}$

Excitation energy spectra with particle coincidences



All data on the 50 μm target

Criteria for a resonant state



Breit-wigner parametrization

$$f(E) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\Gamma_R/2}{(E - E_R)^2 + (\Gamma_R/2)^2}$$

Effect of the experimental resolution: folding with a Gaussian function

Analysis of the ${}^6\text{He}$ spectra: resonances

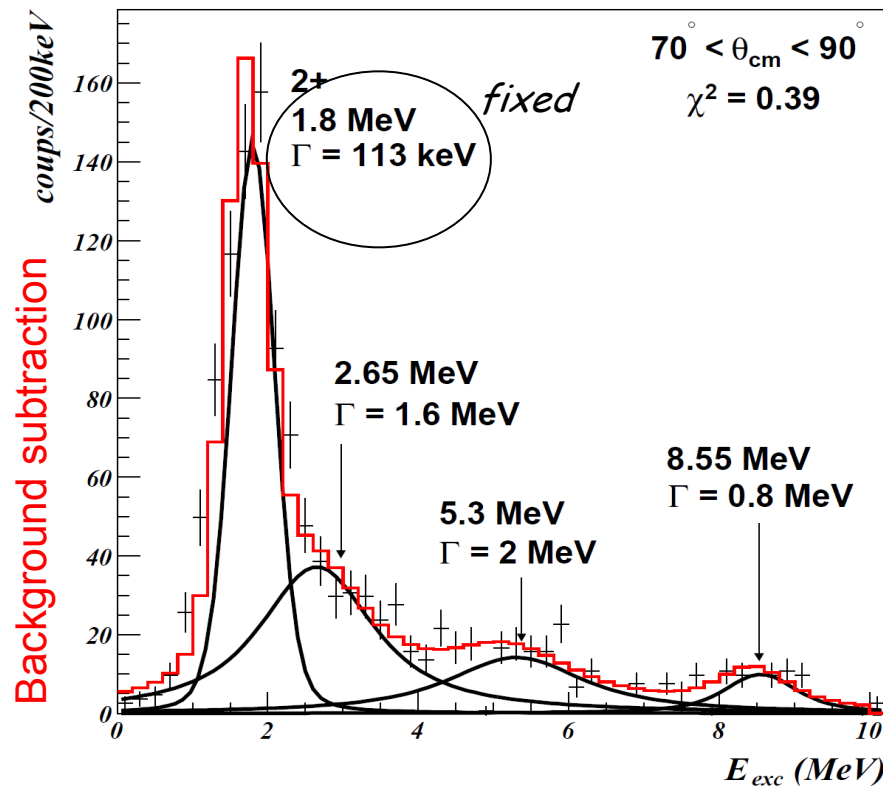
Sources of physical background

Few-body kinematics in exit channel \rightarrow Alpha+n+n background

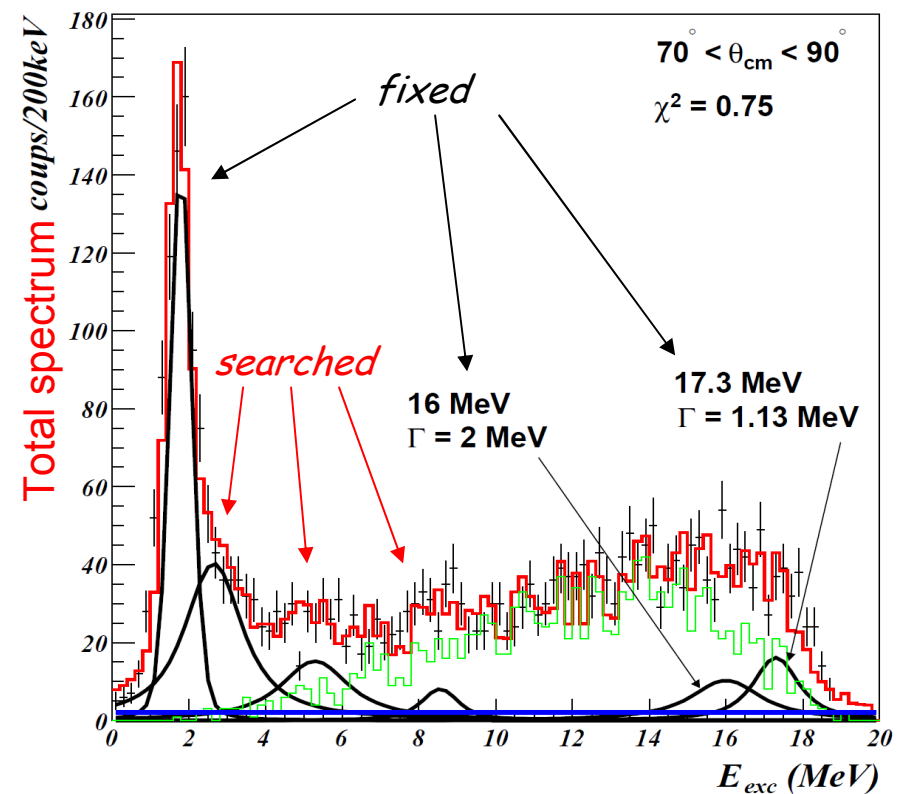
C content in target \rightarrow possible reactions producing alpha in coinc with t

1st step : subtraction of the physical background to find out the possible resonance location

2nd Step : search for the resonances on the total spectra



χ^2 between 0 and 10 MeV

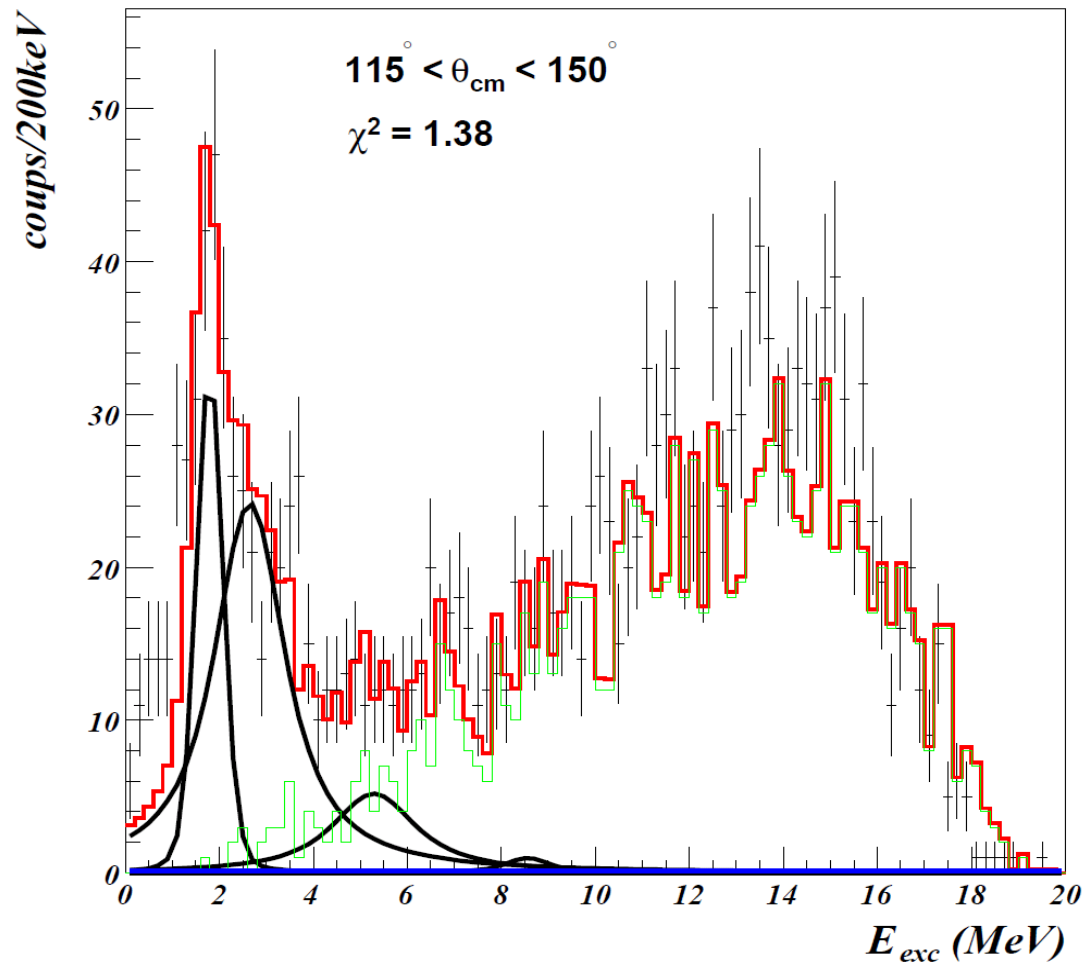


χ^2 between 0 and 20 MeV

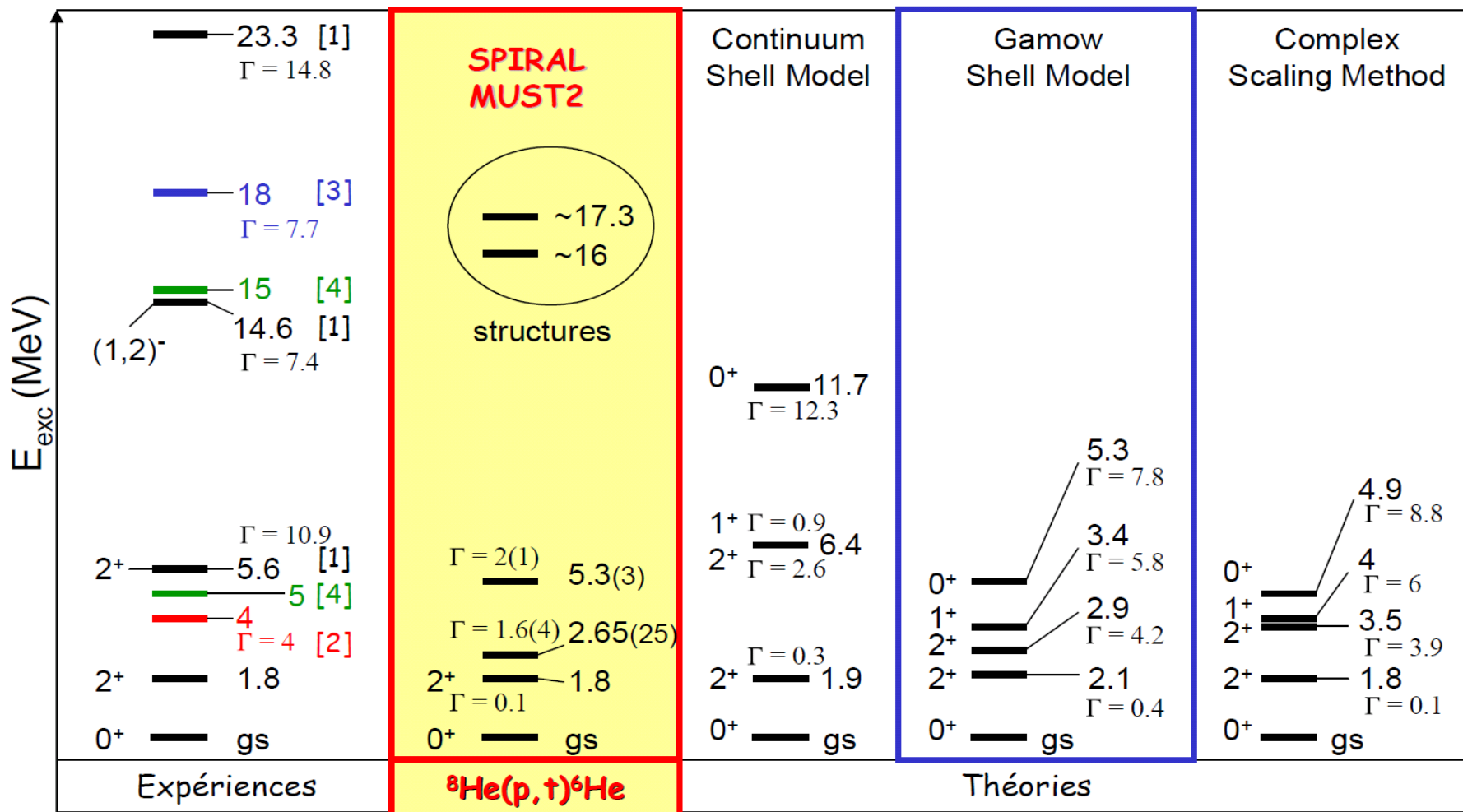
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→ Operations repeated for all E_{exc} spectra [c.m. slices in the kinematics]

3rd step : checking that the parameters of the resonances are conserved at the various c.m. angles



Summary of the ${}^6\text{He}$ spectroscopy



[1] Jänecke *et al.*, PRC 54 (1996) 1070
 [2] Nakayama *et al.*, PRL 85 (2000) 262
 [3] Akimune *et al.*, PRC 67 (2003) 051302
 [4] Nakamura, EPJA 13 (2002) 33

Volya *et al.*,
 PRL 94 (2005)
 052501

Hagen *et al.*, PRC
 71 (2005)
 044314

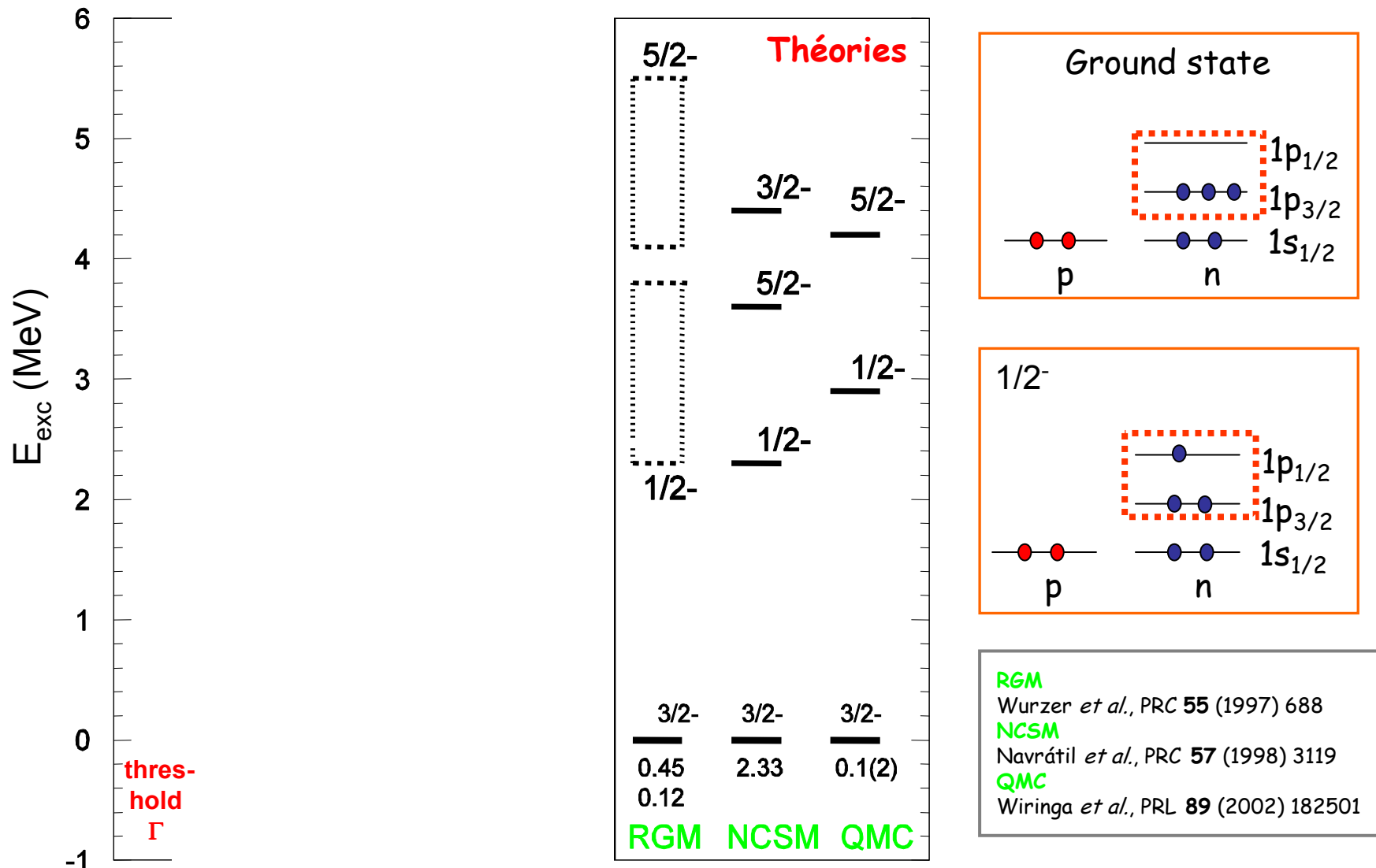
Myo *et al.*, PRC
 76(2007)
 054309

Unbound

${}^7\text{He}$

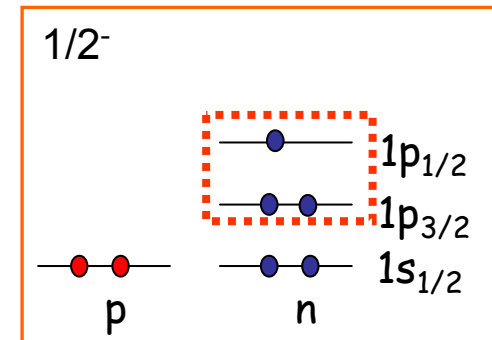
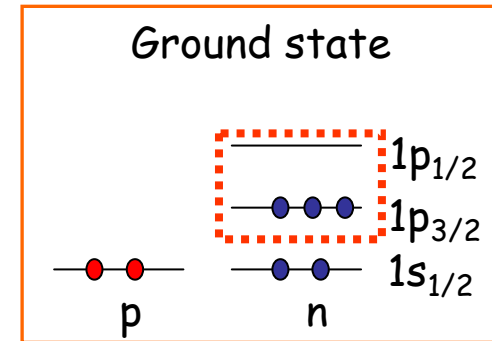
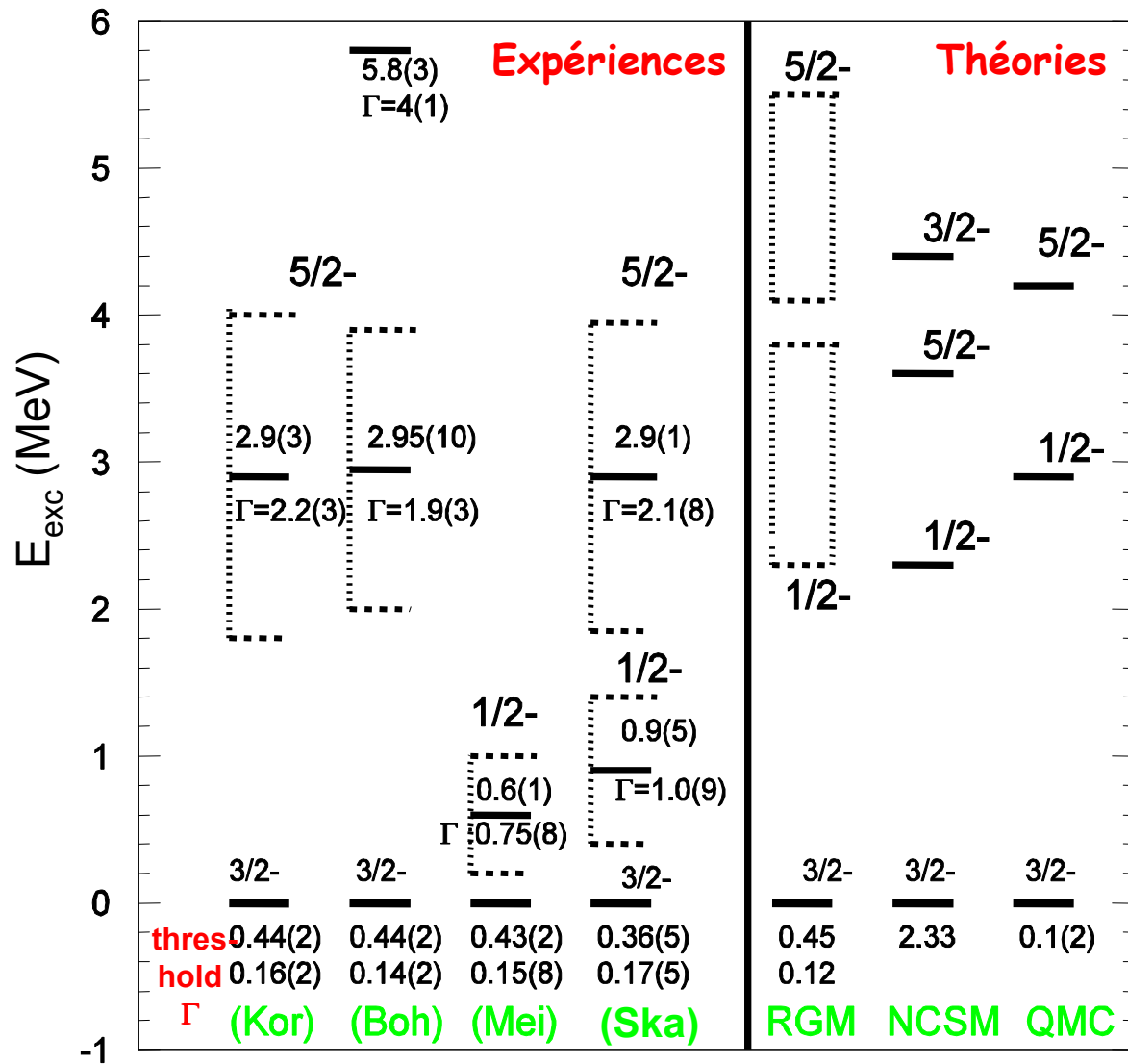
Controversy/debate:
existence of the low-lying state ~ 1 MeV?

Spectroscopy of ${}^7\text{He}$, summary



(Kor) Korshennikov *et al.*, PRL **82** (1999) 3581 (Boh) Bohlen *et al.*, PRC **64** (2001) 024312
 (Mei) Meister *et al.*, PRL **88** (2002) 102501 (Ska) Skaza *et al.*, PRC **73** (2006) 044301

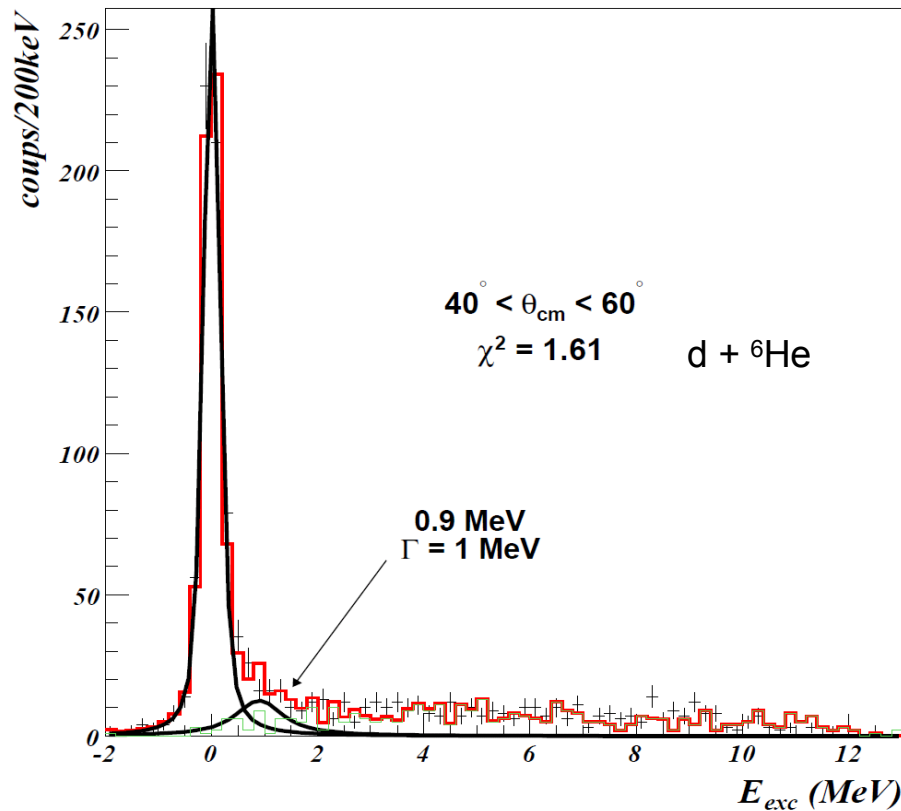
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RGM
 Wurzer *et al.*, PRC **55** (1997) 688
NCSM
 Navrátil *et al.*, PRC **57** (1998) 3119
QMC
 Wiringa *et al.*, PRL **89** (2002) 182501

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Analysis of the ${}^7\text{He}$ spectra



Breit-Wigner

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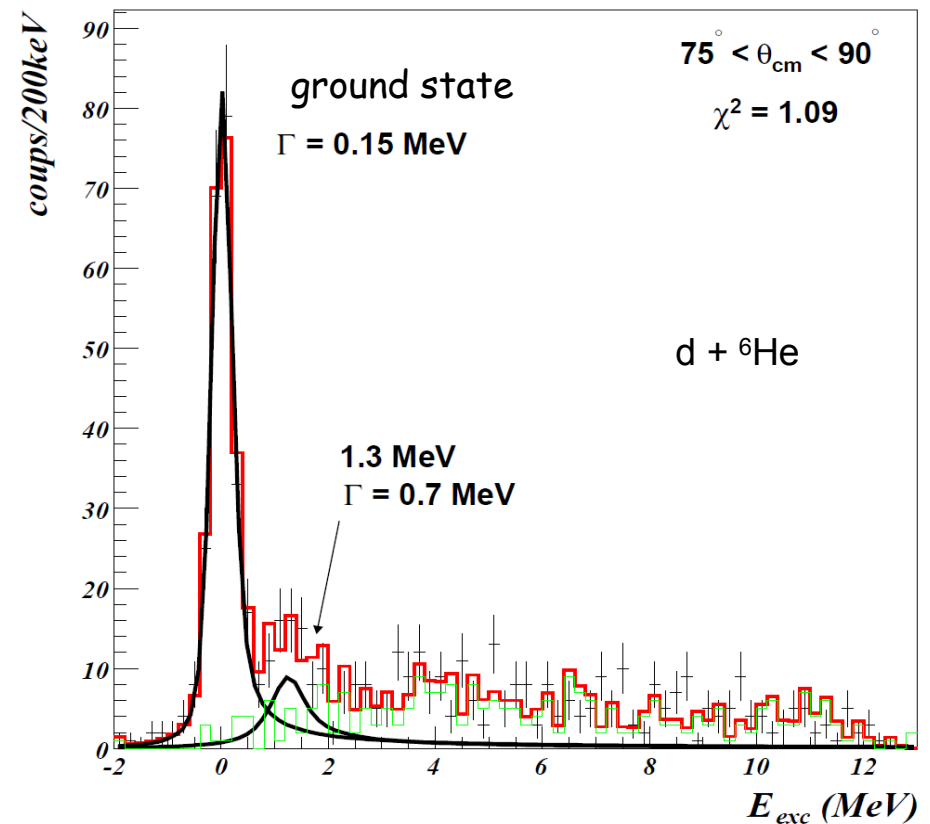
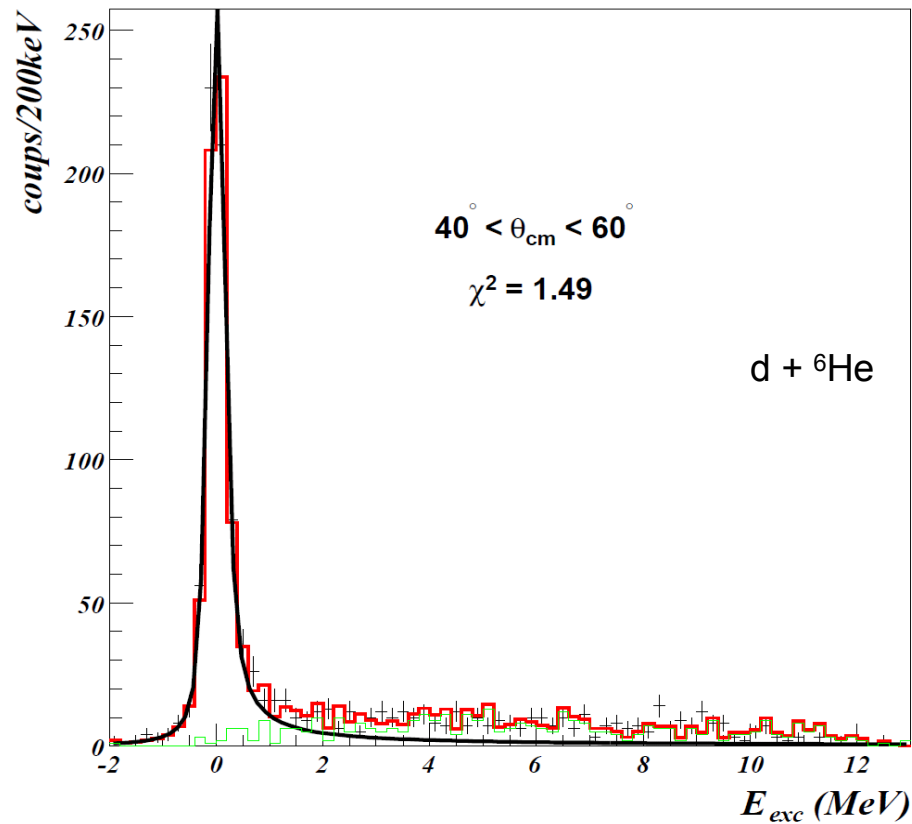
Deformed resonance,
by assuming energy-dependent width,
for $E > E_R$

$$\Gamma_R = \Gamma_R(1 + K(E - E_R))$$

Symmetric resonances

⇒ compatible with the previous E405S data

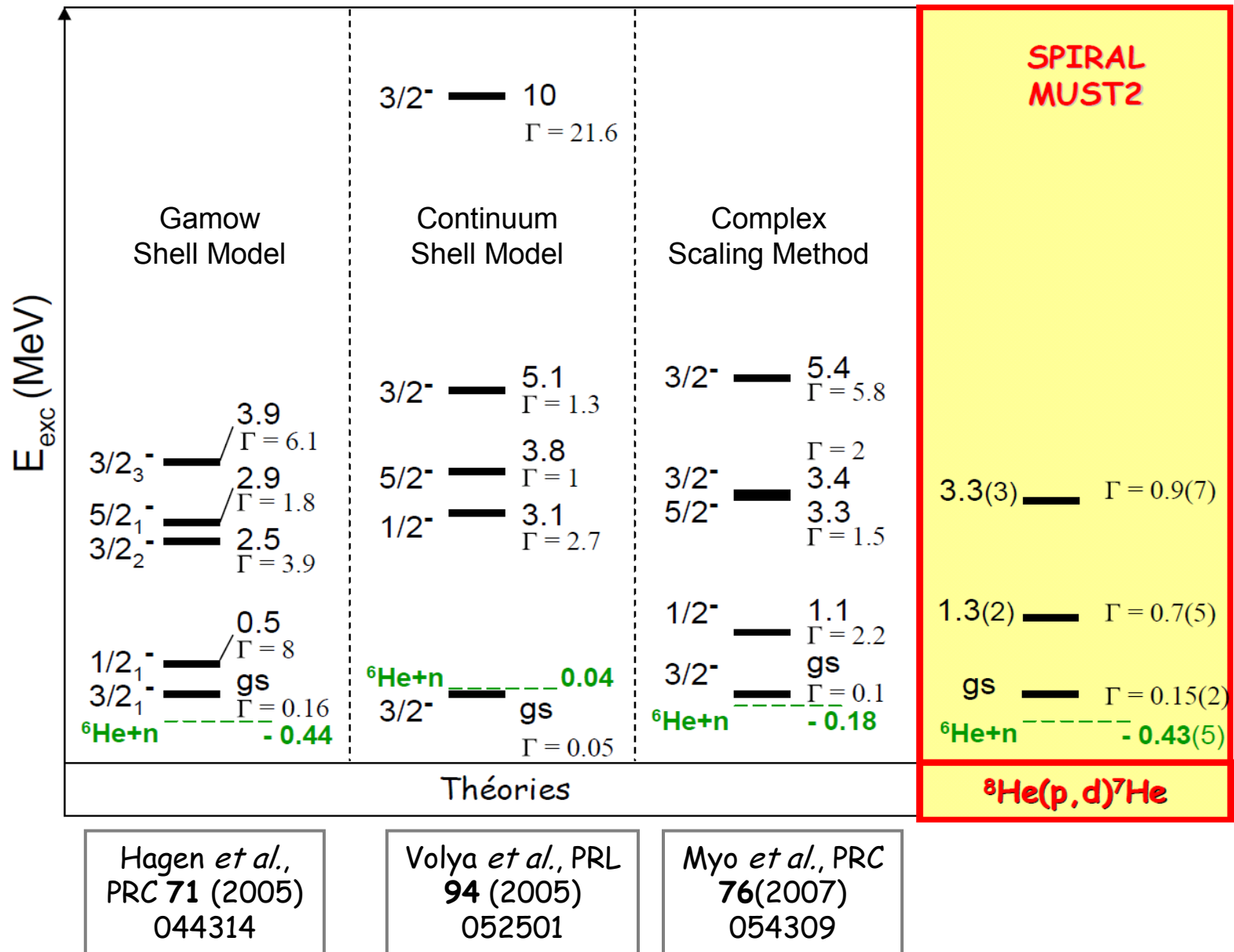
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Asymmetric resonances
 \Rightarrow Ground state only

conservation between 60°_{cm} et 120°_{cm}

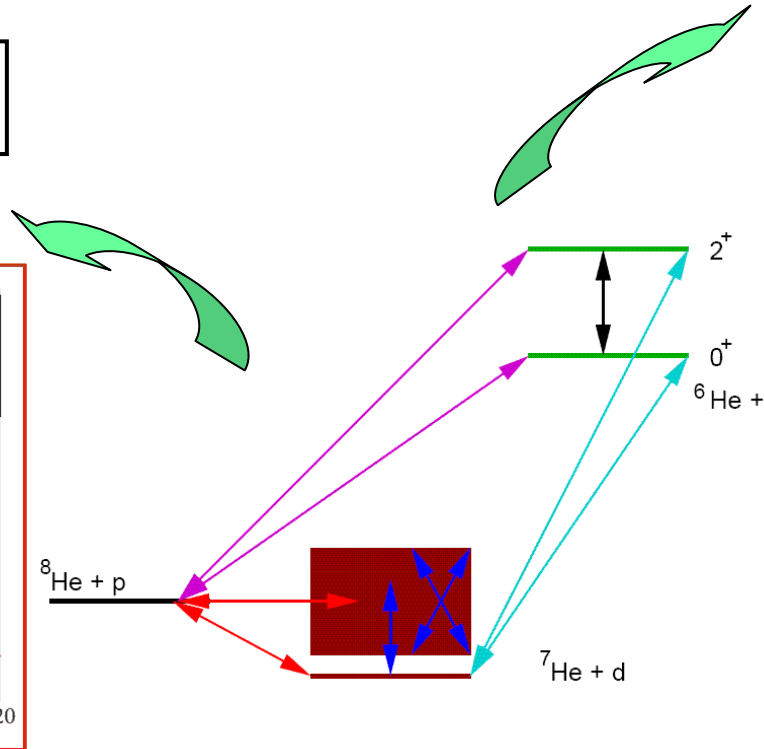
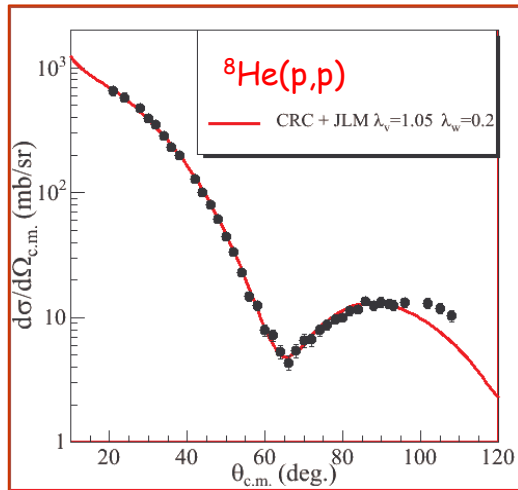
Spectroscopy of ${}^7\text{He}$: data vs Theories



Interpretation of direct reactions: ex of ${}^8\text{He}+p$ @ 15.7 A.MeV

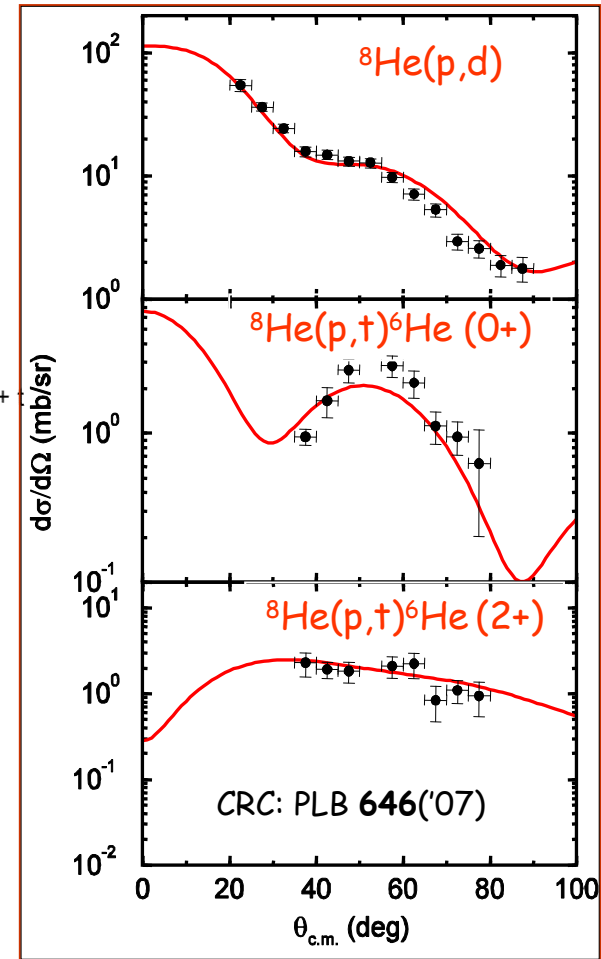
Coupled reaction channel (CRC) calculations needed:
Cf ${}^8\text{He}+p$ Analysis \rightarrow N. Keeley, SPhN [now: univ of Warsaw]
 F. Skaza *et al.*, PLB **619**, 82 ('05) ; PRC **73**, 044301 ('06)
 N. Keeley *et al.*, PLB **646**, 222('07)

E405s -GANIL-MUST
 ${}^8\text{He} + p$ @ 15.6 MeV/n



Spectroscopic factor
 $C^2S (d\sigma/d\Omega)_{\text{théo}} = (d\sigma/d\Omega)_{\text{exp}}$

The transferred angular momentum L_{\dagger} indicates J^{π}



CRC analysis: structure of ^8He

PREVIOUS
INTERPRETATION



Data $^8\text{He}(p,t)$ @ 61.3 A.MeV - RIKEN
A.A.Korshennikov et al, PRL **90**, 082501 ('03)
DWBA analysis : $[\text{}^8\text{He}/\text{}^6\text{He}(0+)] = [\text{}^8\text{He}/\text{}^6\text{He}(2+)] = 1$
(only (p,t) no elastic data)

CRC ANALYSIS
INTERPRETATION
OF SPIRAL DATA



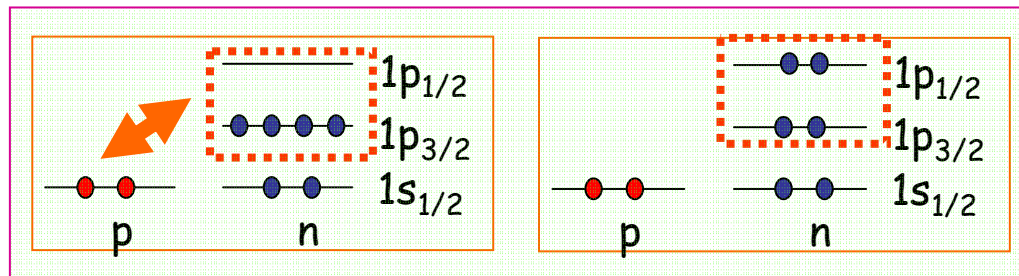
N. Keeley et al. : PLB **646**, 222('07)

$$^8\text{He}(p,d)^7\text{He } C^2S = 3.4 \pm 1.3$$

complete set:
(p,p), (p,d) and (p,t)
@ 15.6 MeV/n

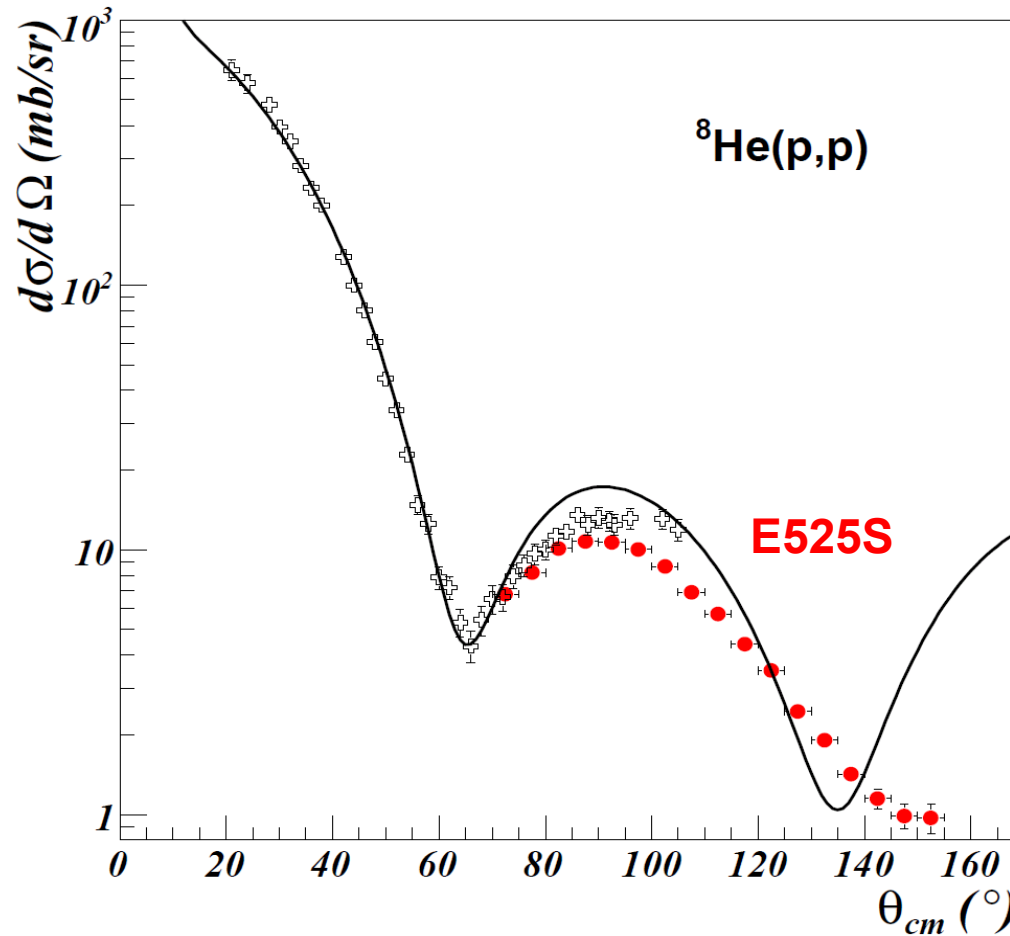
and re-analysis
of RIKEN data

(p,t) \rightarrow wave function $^8\text{He} \% ^6\text{He}$
 $[\text{}^8\text{He}/\text{}^6\text{He}(0+)] = 1$;
 $[\text{}^8\text{He}/\text{}^6\text{He}(2+)] = 0.014$
Mixing: $(p_{3/2})^4$ and $(p_{3/2})^2 (p_{1/2})^2$



Consistent with the results from quasi-elastic scattering of ^8He at GSI,
LV Chulkov et al, NP**A759**, 43('05) $[\text{}^8\text{He}/\text{}^6\text{He}(0+)] : 1.3 \pm 0.1$
And recent theoretical calculations: Hagino, Takahashi, Sagawa PRC **77**, 054317 ('08)
Neutron configurations % ^8He (gs.) : $(1p_{3/2})^4 : 34.9 \% ; [(1p_{3/2})^2 (p_{1/2})^2] : 23.7 \%$

Elastic scattering data for $^8\text{He}(p,p)$



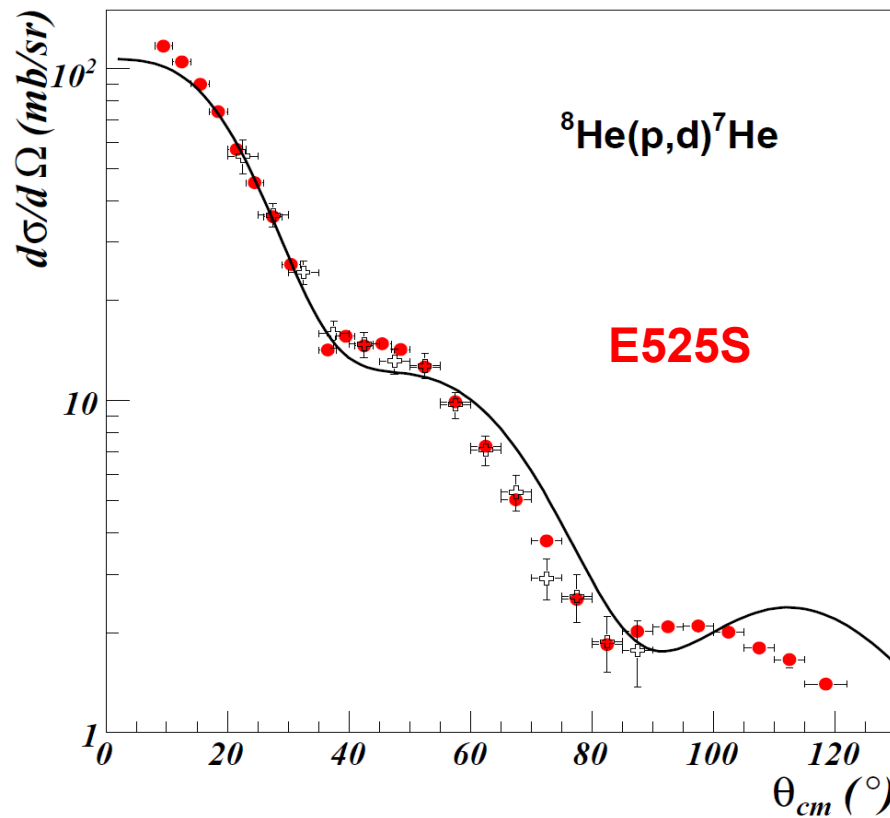
E405S data:
F. Skaza *et al.*, PLB **619**, 82 (2005)

Coupled channel reactions :
Keeley *et al.*, PLB **646**, 222 (2007)

Systematical Errors ~11%

Transfer cross sections to ${}^7\text{He}$

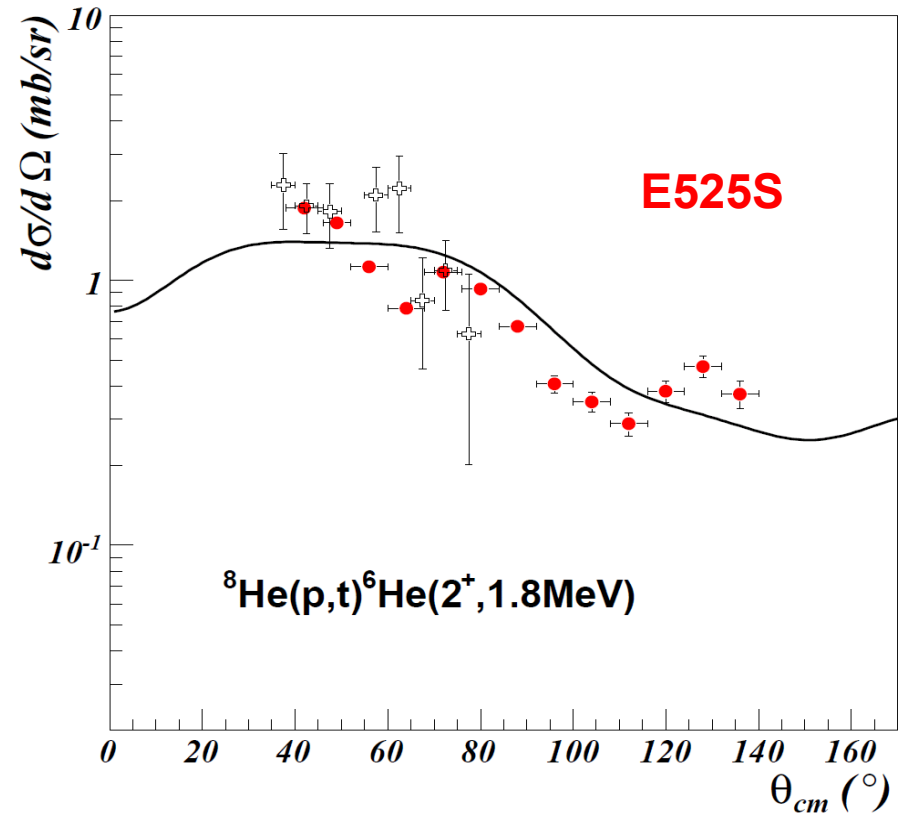
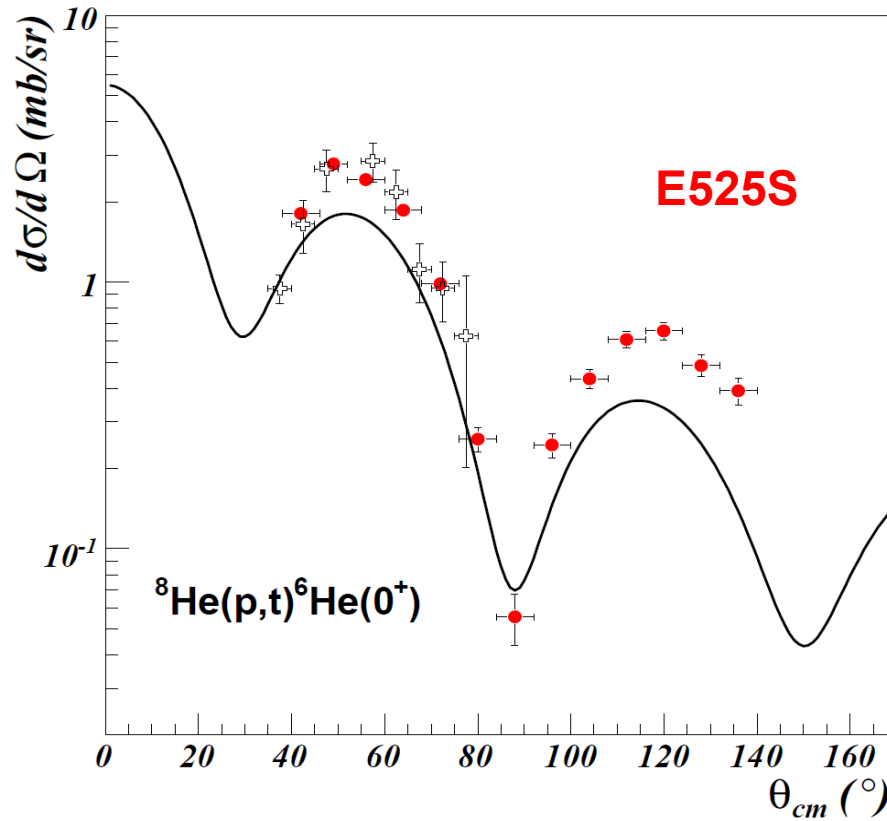
(asymmetric gs resonance)



E405S data:
Skaza *et al.*, PRC **73**, 044301 (2006)

Coupled reaction channel analysis :
Keeley *et al.*, PLB **646**, 222 (2007)

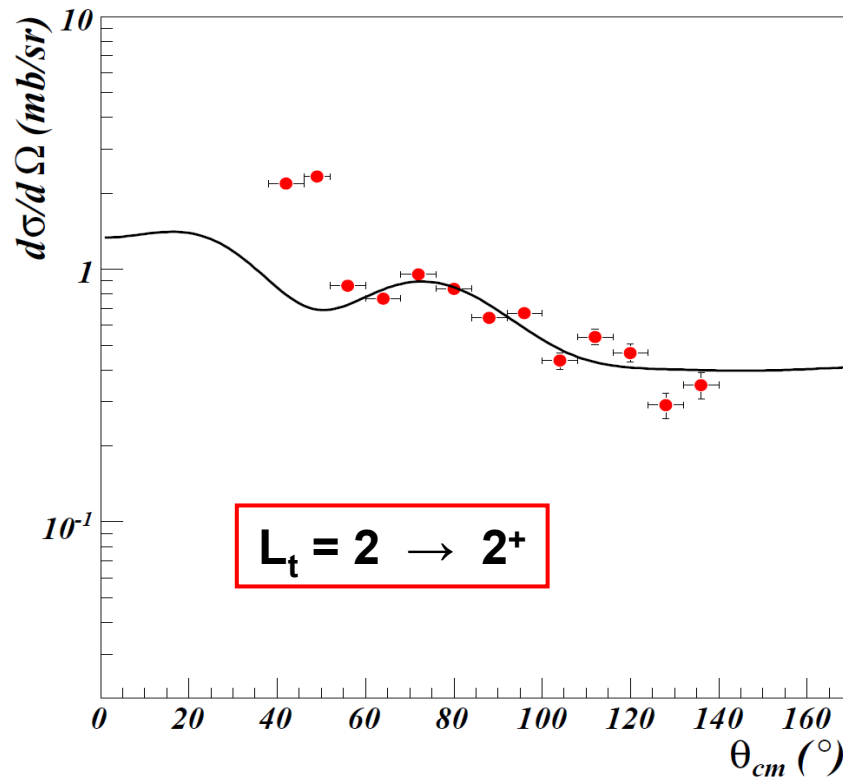
Transfer cross sections to ${}^6\text{He}$



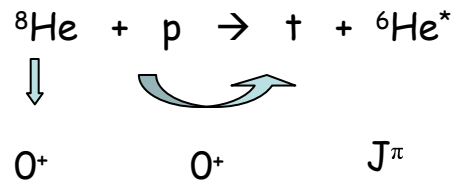
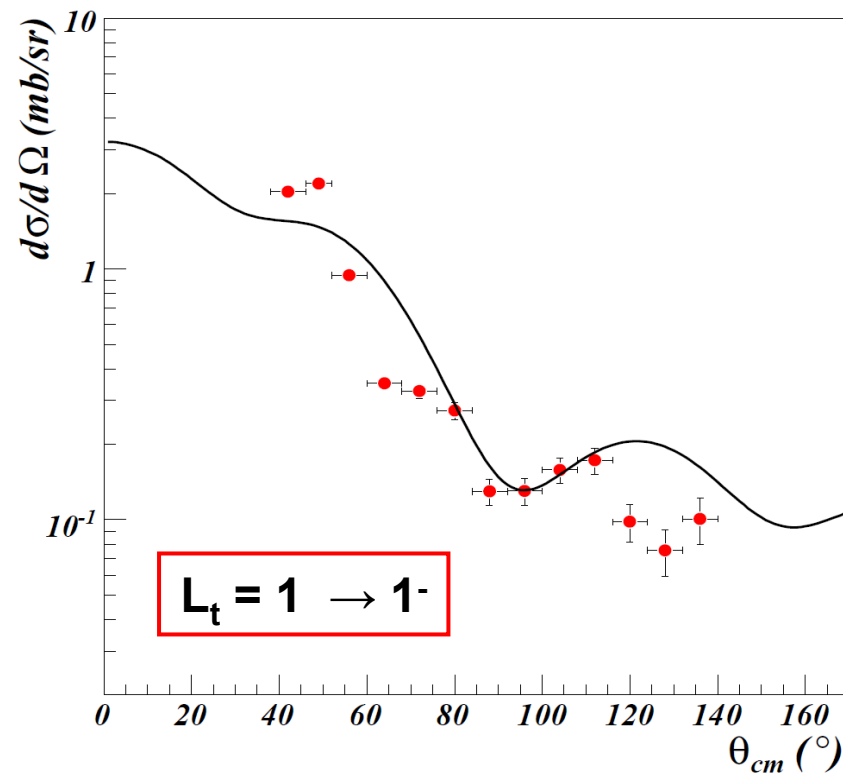
Coupled reaction channel analysis and E405S data
in Keeley *et al.*, PLB 646 (2007) 222

Transfer cross sections to ${}^6\text{He}$

$E_{\text{exc}} = 2.65 \text{ MeV} \quad \Gamma = 1.6 \text{ MeV}$



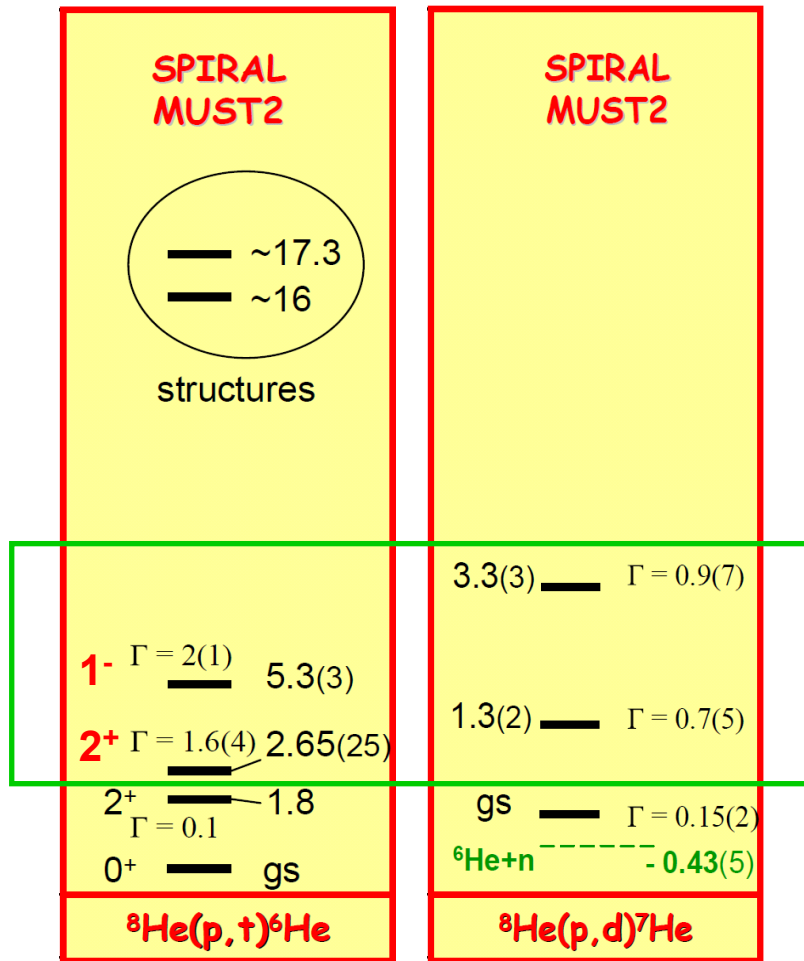
$E_{\text{exc}} = 5.3 \text{ MeV} \quad \Gamma = 2 \text{ MeV}$



Calculations : N. Keeley,
A. Soltan Inst. Warsaw

Shape of $d\sigma/d\Omega(\theta_{\text{cm}})$ gives L_t

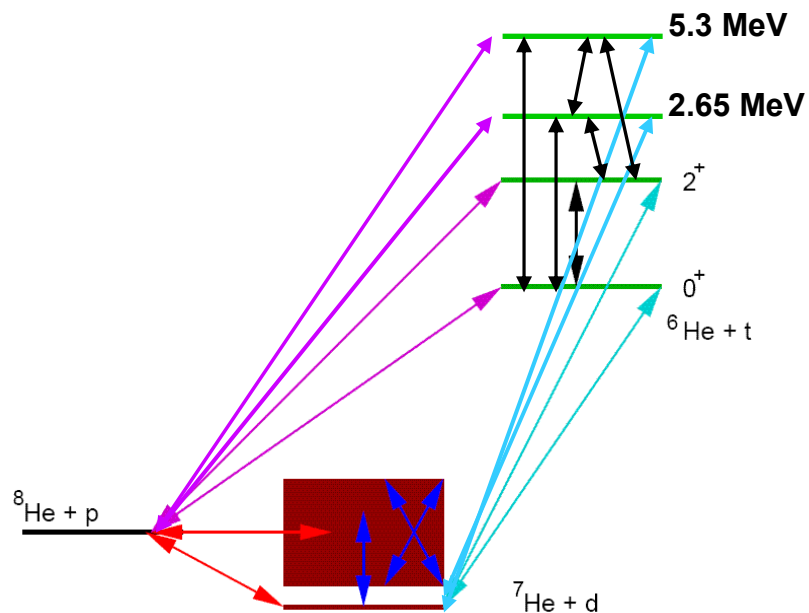
Conclusions



In agreement with recent theories
*Effective interaction technics
 for the Gamow shell model*
 PRC 71, 044314 ('05),
 G.Hagen, M.Hjorth-Jensen, J.S.Vaagen

→ essential ingredients to explain the spectroscopy: couplings to continuum + effective interactions [ab initio 3 body]

- Identification of TWO NEW STATES IN ${}^6\text{He}$
- State ~ 1 MeV CONFIRMED IN ${}^7\text{He}$



Future: complete CRC analysis of $d\sigma/d\Omega$ data

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→FRESCO code,

→Using 2 particle form factors

Tools for the spectroscopy of low-lying resonances

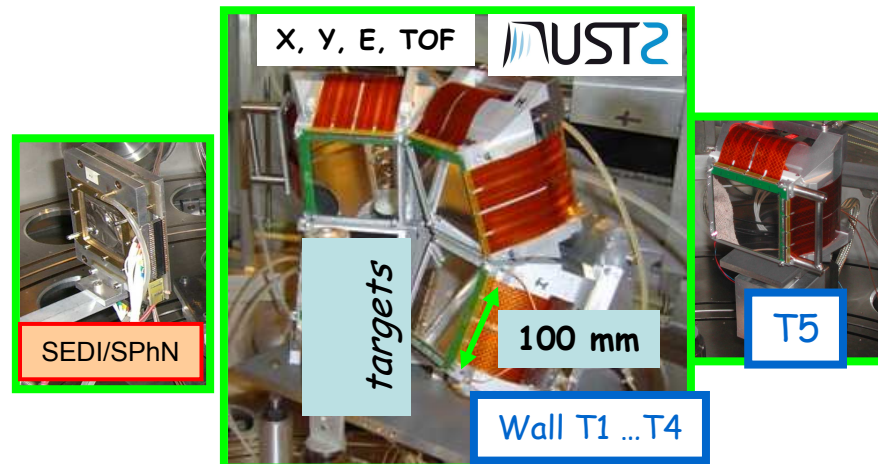
via **direct nuclear reactions**

Improved devices for the
light charged particle spectroscopy
Complete measurement of main reaction
channels
Access to bound & unbound states

Prototypical experiment for the search
of unbound excited states: ${}^8\text{He}(p,p)$ (p,d), (p,t)

POWERFUL TOOLS

SPIRAL beam + **UST2**
+ BTD-CATS



Next

Improved **reaction framework** for the interpretation of the observables:
More realistic form factors in coupled Reaction Channel Analysis ?
coupling to the continuum : unbound states in the exit channel in CDCC ?

Unbound states

Controversy/debate: existence of low-lying states
Ex: ${}^7\text{He}$

Crucial questions

→ related to how we succeed in understanding the true nature of the resonant states
It challenges our description of the unbound nuclei, our modelling of the nuclear correlations

It deals with: **Structure and reactions embedded in the continuum**
How to disentangle structure information from reactions effects ?
Sensitivity of the reactions to the resonances ?

How to model the resonances ?
Phase space (few-body kinematics) effects ?
Deformation of the resonances ?

We need to go further :

To develop our knowledge of the **transition form factors to resonant states** (criteria ?)
To know how the resonant states are **deformed with the continuum coupling**
Energy -dependence ? L-dependence ?

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