

Four- and five-body effects in nucleus-nucleus scattering

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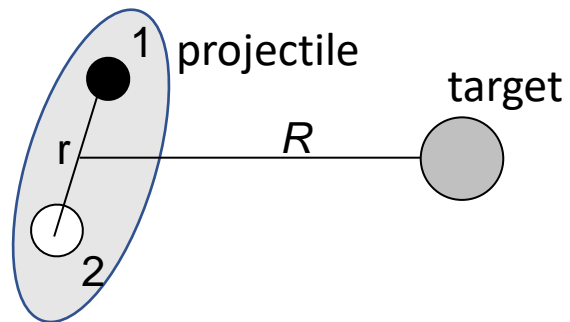
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1. Overview of CDCC

- CDCC=Continuum Discretized Coupled Channel
Introduced in the 70's to deal with deuteron scattering
Low binding energy of the deuteron → breakup is important
 - G. Rawitscher, Phys. Rev. C 9, 2210 (1974)
 - N. Austern et al., Phys. Rep. 154 (1987) 126

- Two-body projectile, three-body problem

$$H = H_0(\mathbf{r}) - \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \Delta_{\mathbf{R}} + V_{t1}(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{r}) + V_{t2}(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{r})$$

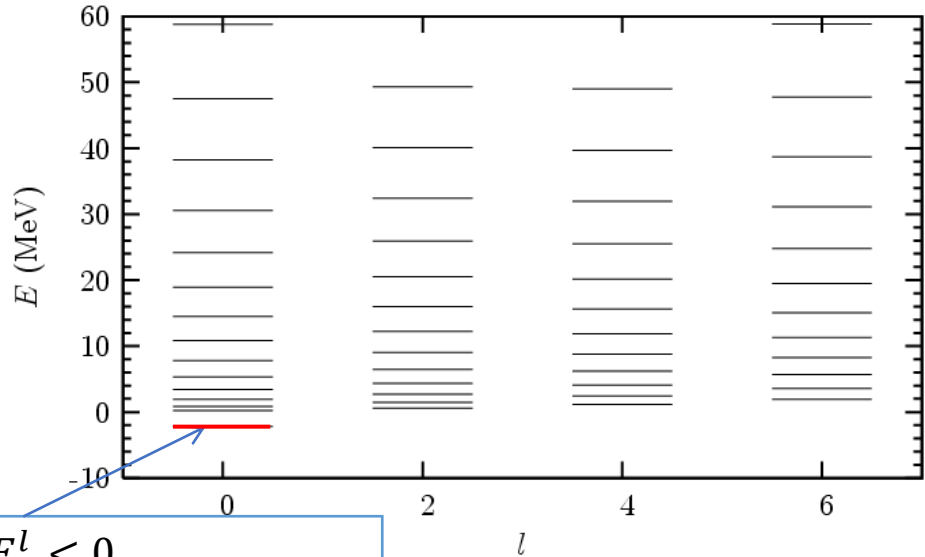


- $H_0(\mathbf{r})$ = Hamiltonian associated with the projectile
- V_{t1}, V_{t2} = optical potentials between the target and the fragments
(high energies: above the resonance region)

1. Overview of CDCC

- Projectile breakup described by **approximate (discrete) states**: $H_0 \Phi_n^{lm}(\mathbf{r}) = E_n^l \Phi_n^{lm}(\mathbf{r})$

Example: d=p+n



Ground state: $E_n^l < 0$

- Physical
- Does not depend on the basis

Pseudo state (PS): $E_n^l > 0$

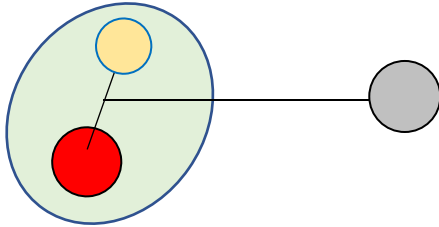
- Simulate breakup effects
- No physical meaning
- Depend on the basis

- CDCC well adapted to exotic nuclei (low binding energy)
Examples: $^{11}\text{Be} = ^{10}\text{Be} + n$ (0.5 MeV), $^8\text{B} = ^7\text{Be} + p$ (0.14 MeV), $^7\text{Li} = \alpha + ^3\text{H}$ (1.5 MeV)
- Low BU energy is not necessary! But BU effects are expected to be more important
- Assuming $E_n^l = E_0$ provides the adiabatic approximation (R. Johnson) \rightarrow simplifications

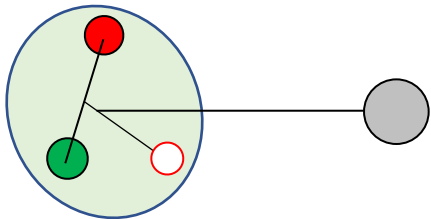
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Different variants

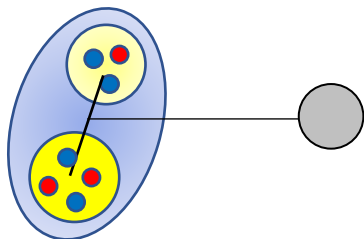
- **2-body projectiles:** d, ^{11}Be , ^7Li , ^8Li



- **3-body projectiles:** ^6He , ^{11}Li , ^9Be



- **A-body projectiles:** ^7Li , ^6He , ^8Li



First applications of CDCC

Many references

- G. Rawitscher, PRC 9, 2210 (1974)
- N. Austern et al., Phys. Rep. 154 (1987) 126

More recent

- T. Matsumoto et al., PRC70 (2004) 061601
- M. Rodriguez-Gallardo et al., PRC77 (2008) 064609

Based on nucleon-target potentials \rightarrow no parameter

- Y. Sakuragi et al., PTP Supp. 89 (1986) 136
- P.D., M. Hussein, PRL 111 (2013) 082701

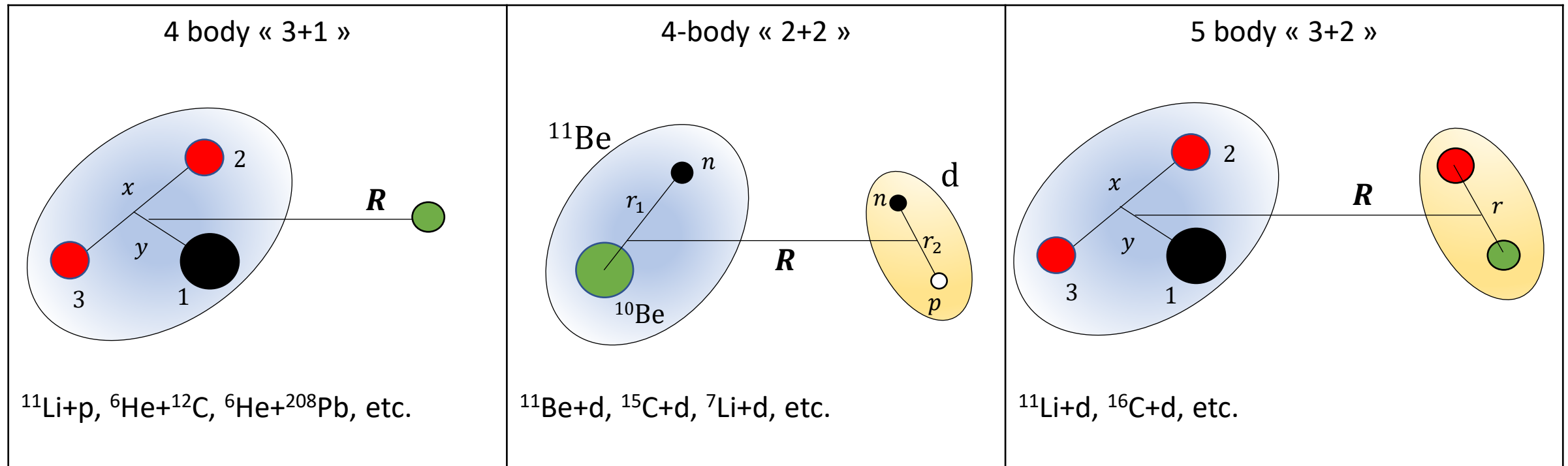
In all cases, the target is considered as inert (no structure)

2. Four- and five body CDCC

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- For some reactions:
 - the projectile has a 3-body structure- example: $^{11}\text{Li}+p$
 - both **the projectile AND the target** have a low breakup threshold - example: $^{11}\text{Be}+d$

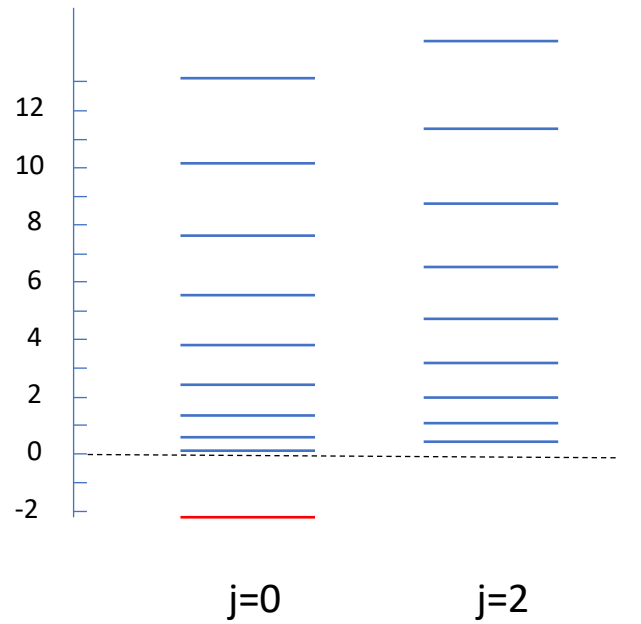
→ Need for extensions of CDCC



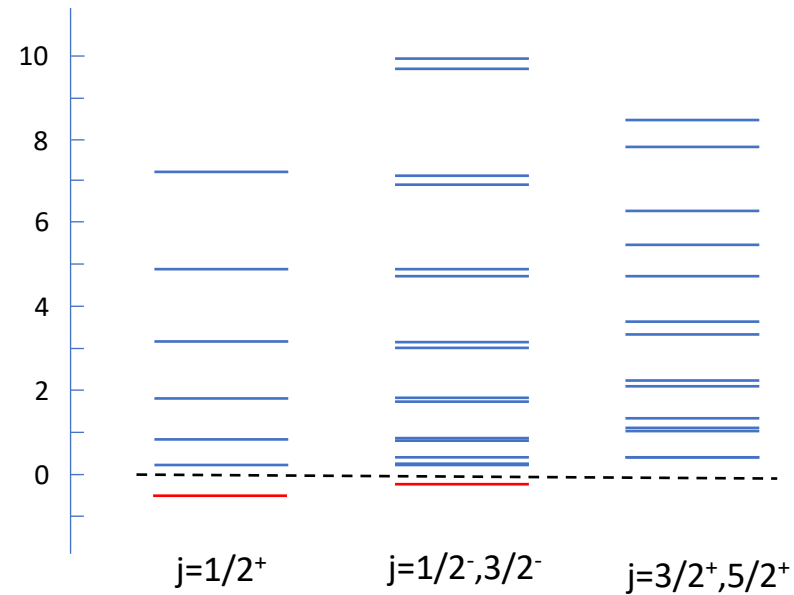
Same principle: determine the pseudostates
compute the coupling potentials
solve the coupled-channel system (scattering states → **R-matrix**)

2. Four- and five-body CDCC

- Pseudostates in both nuclei: example of $^{11}\text{Be}+d$



Deuteron p+n : N_d channels

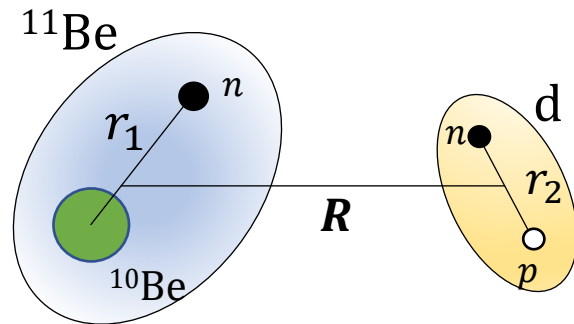


$^{11}\text{Be}=^{10}\text{Be}+n$: N_{Be} channels

→ Total number of channels: $N_d \times N_{\text{Be}}$ (large!)

2. Four- and five-body CDCC

CDCC equations



Four-body hamiltonian: $H = H_1(\mathbf{r}_1) + H_2(\mathbf{r}_2) + T_R + \sum_{ij} U_{ij}(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2)$

With $H_i(\mathbf{r}_i)$ =internal hamiltonian of nucleus i (may include core excitation)

T_R =relative kinetic energy

$U_{ij}(s)$ =optical potential between fragments i and j

Then: standard CDCC procedure

Important remark

The potentials $U_{ij}(s)$ should not depend on angular momentum (general assumption of CDCC)

But: presence of forbidden states (spurious bound states)

in spectroscopic calculations: can be removed with a projector \rightarrow L-dependent

present in CDCC \rightarrow spurious states at low energies \rightarrow cannot be applied at low energies

2. Four- and five-body CDCC

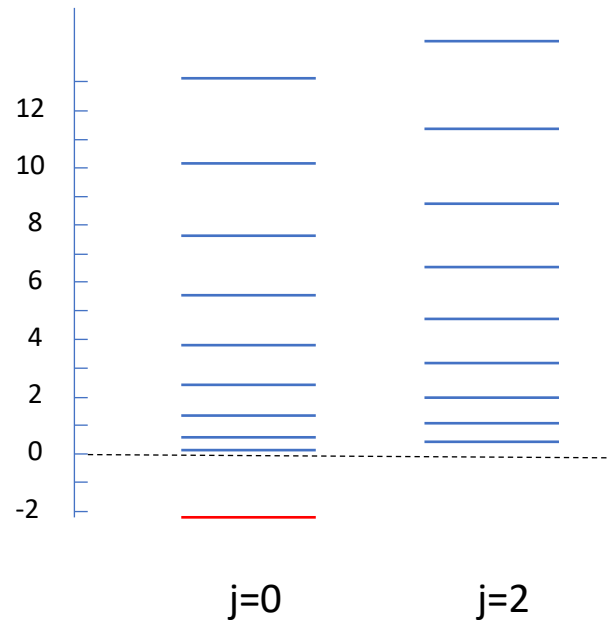
Standard CDCC procedure:

- Step 1:** solve $H_1 \Phi_{1k}^{jm} = E_{1k}^j \Phi_{1k}^{jm}$ for nucleus 1
 $H_2 \Phi_{2k}^{jm} = E_{2k}^j \Phi_{2k}^{jm}$ for nucleus 2

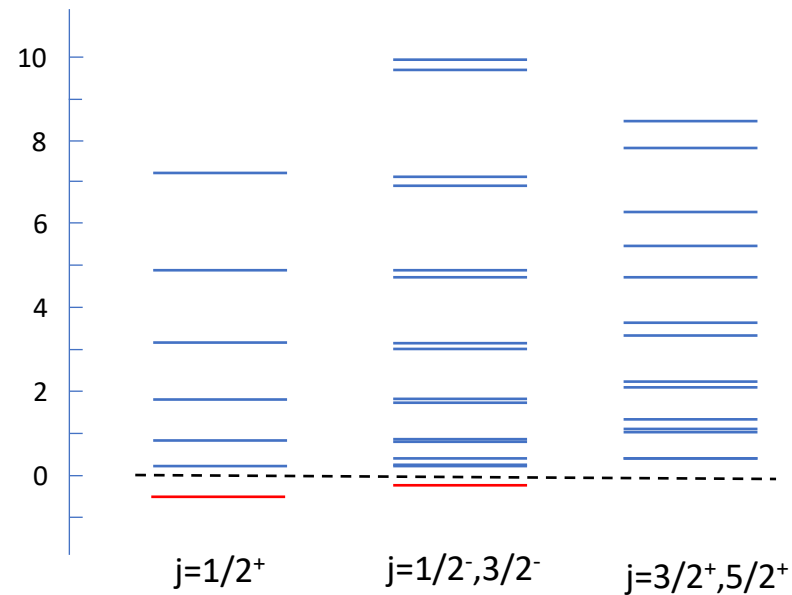
With Φ_{1k}^{jm} expanded on a basis (Lagrange functions: matrix elements are simple)

→ negative energies = **physical states**

positive energies = **pseudostates**=(discrete) approximations of the continuum in 1 and 2



Deuteron



^{11}Be

2. Four- and five-body CDCC

Step 2

Define channel functions: $\varphi_c(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \Omega_R) = \left[\left[\underbrace{\Phi_{1k_1}^{j_1}(\mathbf{r}_1)}_{\text{d}} \otimes \underbrace{\Phi_{1k_2}^{j_2}(\mathbf{r}_2)}_{\text{^{11}Be}} \right]^I \otimes Y_L(\Omega_R) \right]^{JM}$

with

I = channel spin

L = angular momentum between d and ^{11}Be

index $c = (j_1, k_1, j_2, k_2, I, L)$

and expand the total wave function as $\Psi^{JM\pi} = \sum_c u_c^{J\pi}(R) \varphi_c(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \Omega_R)$
 $u_c^{J\pi}(R)$ to be determined

Step 3

Compute matrix elements of the potential $\sum_{ij} U_{ij}(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2)$

$$V_{cc'}^{J\pi}(R) = \langle \varphi_c | \sum_{ij} U_{ij}(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) | \varphi_{c'} \rangle$$

- « 2+2 »: integrals over 8 coordinates (6 angles + 2 radii): 5 analytical + 3 numerical integrals
- « 3+2 »: integrals over 11 coordinates (8 angles + 3 radii): 5 analytical + 6 numerical integrals (use of the Raynal-Revai coefficients)

2. Four- and five-body CDCC

4. Step 4: Solve the coupled-channel system

$$\left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \left(\frac{d^2}{dR^2} - \frac{L(L+1)}{R^2} \right) + E_c - E \right] u_c^{J\pi}(R) + \sum_{c'} V_{cc'}^{J\pi}(R) u_{c'}^{J\pi}(R) = 0$$

- Standard coupled-channel system (general form common to most scattering theories)
- At large distances (only Coulomb) : $u_c^{J\pi}(R) \rightarrow I_c(R)\delta_{c\omega} - O_c(R)U_{c\omega}^{J\pi}$ (ω = entrance channel)
 $U_{c\omega}^{J\pi}$ = scattering matrix: provides the cross sections (elastic, inelastic, breakup, etc.)
- Solved with the **R-matrix method** (space divided in an internal and an external regions)
- The system must be solved for each $J\pi$
- Problems:
 - Many channels c (**up to 9000 for $^{11}\text{Li}+d$**)
 - Many $J\pi$ values (depends on energy)
 - Long range of the potentials $V_{cc'}^{J\pi}(R)$ (due to Coulomb)
→ Long calculations + many tests

5. Step 5

Determining the cross sections from the scattering matrices

3. Solving the coupled-channel system: Lagrange functions and the R-matrix method

3. Solving the coupled-channel system: the R-matrix theory

Scattering matrix determined from the R-matrix theory

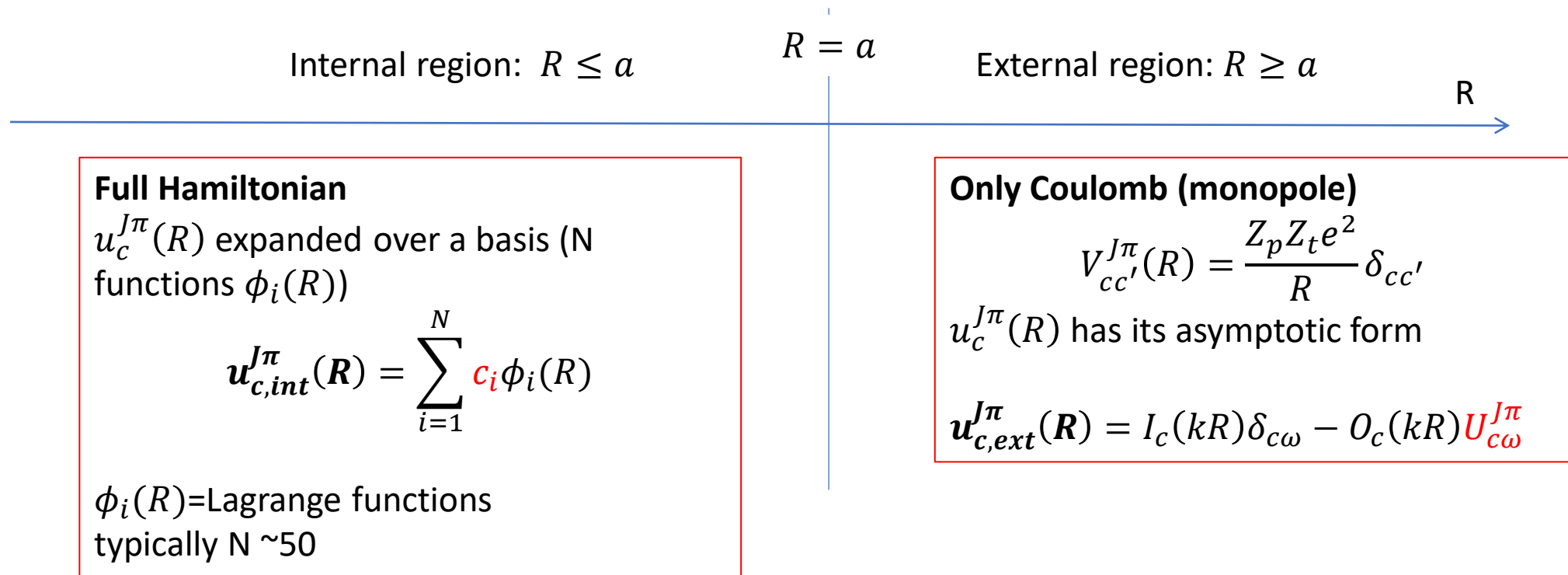
R-matrix theory: based on 2 regions (channel radius a)

Lane and Thomas, Rev. Mod. Phys. 30 (1958) 257: (ancient) bible of the R-matrix

P.D. and D. Baye, Rep. Prog. Phys. 73 (2010) 036301: modern review of the R-matrix (Bloch operator)

P.D., Computer Physics Communications 200 (2016) 199: general subroutine

Jin Lei, P.D., Phys. Rev. C 102 (2020) 014608 : inhomogeneous equations



matching at $R=a$ provides: scattering matrices $U^{J\pi} \rightarrow$ cross sections

3. Solving the coupled-channel system: the Lagrange method

Choice of the basis: **the Lagrange-mesh method** (*D. Baye, Phys. Rep. 565 (2015) 1-107*)

- **Gauss approximation:** $\int_0^a g(x)dx \approx \sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_k g(x_k)$
 - N= order of the Gauss approximation
 - x_k =roots of an orthogonal polynomial $P_N(x)$, λ_k =weights
 - If interval $[0,a]$: Legendre polynomials
 $[0,\infty]$: Laguerre polynomials
- **Lagrange functions** for $[0,1]$: $f_i(x) \sim \frac{P_N(2x-1)}{(x-x_i)}$
 - x_i are roots of $P_N(2x-1) = 0$
 - with the Lagrange property: $f_i(x_j) = \lambda_i^{-1/2}$
- **Matrix elements** with Lagrange functions: Gauss approximation is used
 - $\langle f_i | f_j \rangle = \int f_i(x) f_j(x) dx \approx \delta_{ij}$
 - $\langle f_i | T | f_j \rangle$ analytical
 - $\langle f_i | V | f_j \rangle = \int f_i(x) V(x) f_j(x) dx \approx V(x_i) \delta_{ij} \Rightarrow$ **no integral needed**

Also applicable to non-local potentials

3. Solving the coupled-channel system: the R-matrix with propagation method

Computer time: 2 main parts

- **Matrix elements**: very fast with Lagrange functions
- **Inversion of a complex matrix C** → R-matrix (long times for large matrices)
size=(number of channels)x(number of radial functions N) → ~3000x50 typically

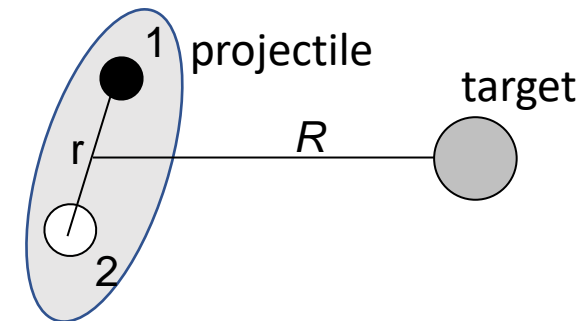
For reactions involving halo nuclei:

- Long range of the potentials (Coulomb)

$$\frac{Z_1 Z_t e^2}{R + \frac{A_2 r}{A_p}} + \frac{Z_2 Z_t e^2}{R - \frac{A_1 r}{A_p}} = \sum_{\lambda} V_{\lambda}(r, R) P_{\lambda}(\cos \theta_{Rr})$$

$$V_{cc'}(R) \approx \frac{Z_p Z_t e^2}{R} + \left(\frac{Z_t Q_p}{R^3} \right) + \dots$$

Can be large (large quadrupole moments of PS)



- Radius a must be large
- Many basis functions (N large)
- Even stronger for dipole terms ($\sim 1/R^2$)



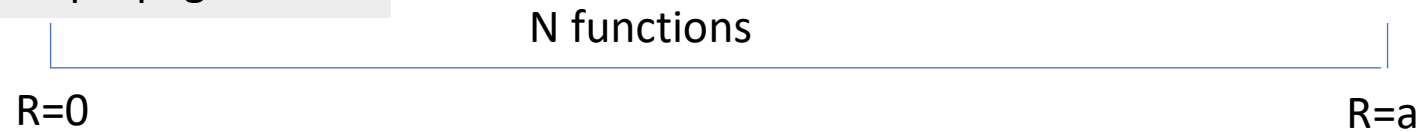
- **Distorted Coulomb functions (FRESCO)**
- **Propagation techniques in the R-matrix** (well known in atomic physics)

Ref.: Baluja et al. Comp. Phys. Comm. 27 (1982) 299

Well adapted to Lagrange-mesh calculations

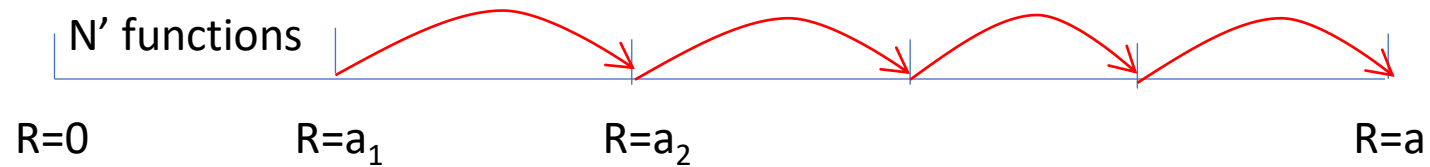
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Without propagation



- Matrix elements integrated over $[0,a]$
- Inversion of a matrix of dimension $N \times N_c$

With propagation



- The interval $[0,a]$ is split in N_S subintervals
 - In each subinterval $N' \sim N/N_S$:
 - Interval 1: determine $R(a_1)$
 - Interval 2 : $R(a_2)$ from $R(a_1)$
 - Interval N_S : $R(a)$ from $R(a_{N_S-1})$
- } (inversion of a matrix with size $N' \times N_c$)

→ N_S smaller calculations:

Lagrange functions well adapted to matrix elements over $[a_i, a_{i+1}]$

4. Test with 4α bound states

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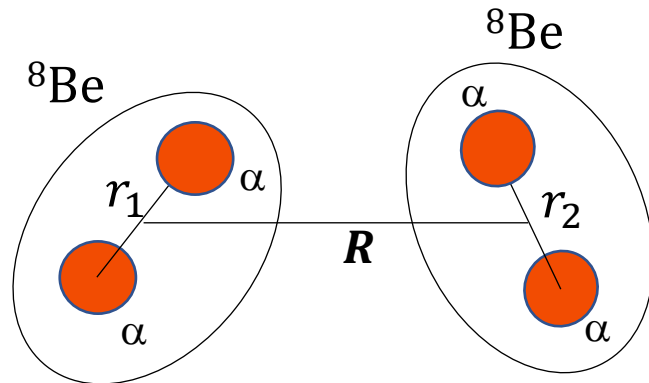
4. Test with 4α bound states

Two main parts in the calculation:

1. Calculation of the 4-body matrix elements
2. Solution of the coupled-channel problem (R-matrix method)

Test of the matrix elements: 4α bound states (**benchmarks exist in the literature**)

- No R-matrix calculation
- Diagonalisation of the Hamiltonian matrix
- Potential: Ali-Bodmer $V_{\alpha-\alpha}(R) = 500\exp(-(R/0.7)^2) - 130\exp(-(R/2.105)^2)$
- Two calculations
 - Without Coulomb potential
 - With Coulomb potential

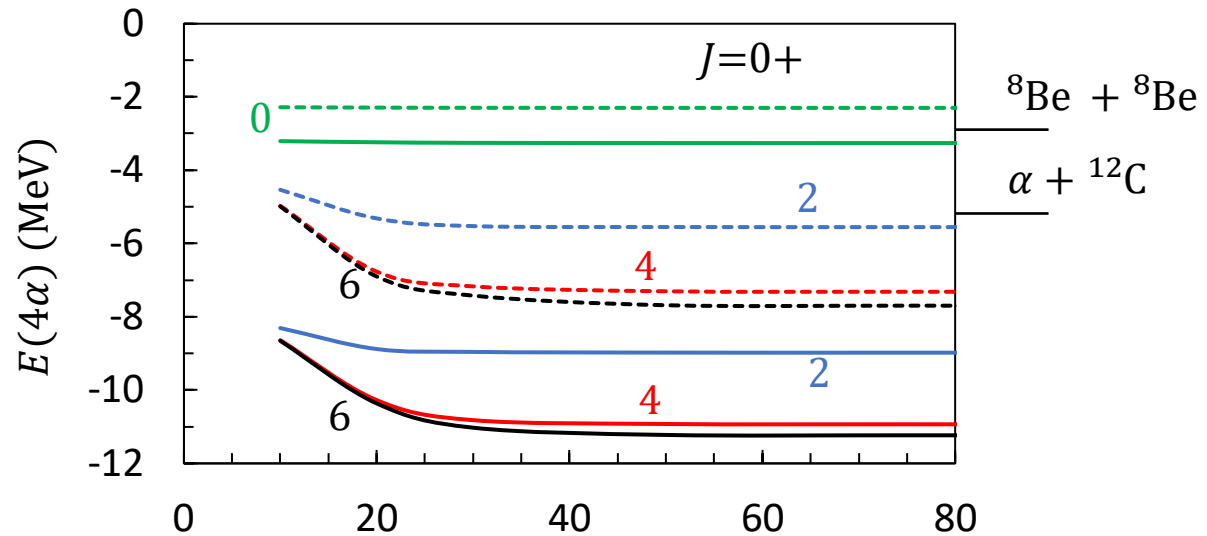


2 parameters

- L_{max} in ${}^8\text{Be}$
- E_{max} in ${}^8\text{Be}$

4. Test with 4α bound states

1) $V_C = 0$

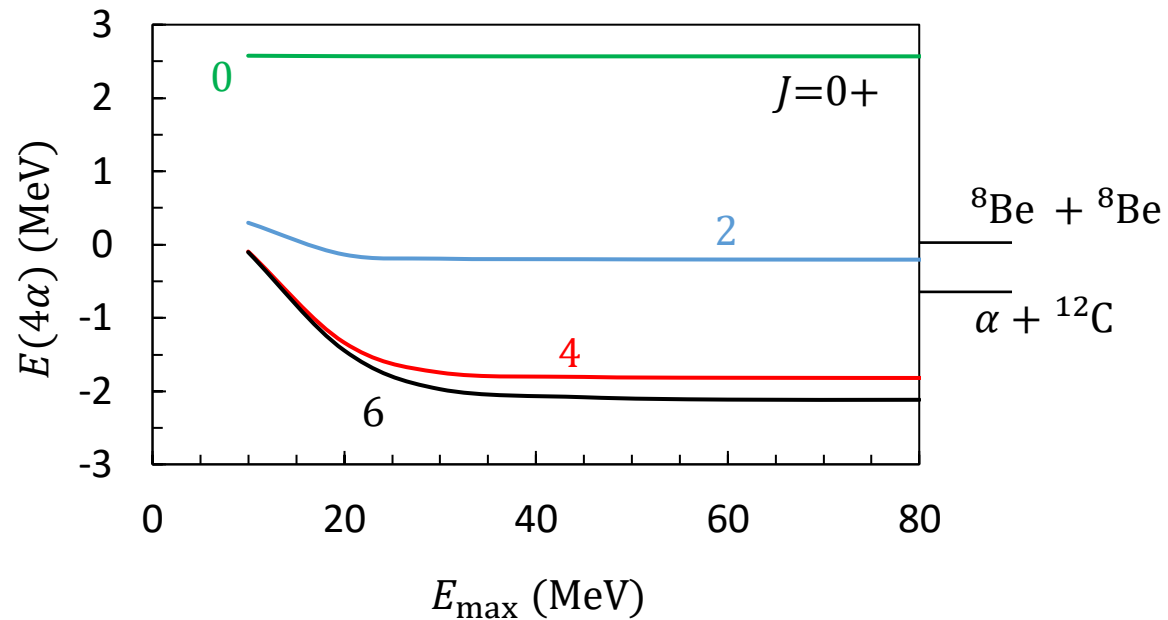


Slow convergence with respect to L_{max} and E_{max}

- Present: **-11.23** MeV
- N. K. Timofeyuk, PRC 78 (2008) 054314 : **-11.23** MeV
- Y. Suzuki and M. Takahashi, PRC 65 (2002) 064318: -11.17 (revised to **-11.23** MeV)

4. Test with 4α bound states

2) $V_C \neq 0$

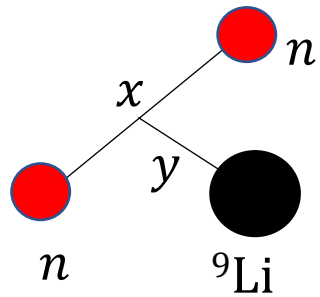


- $E(0^+) = -2.12$ MeV
- Very different from the ${}^{16}\text{O}$ experimental energy: -14.44 MeV
- Ali-Bodmer potential excellent for 2α , but poor for 3α and 4α → only for tests

5. Application to « 3+1 »: the $^{11}\text{Li}+p$ scattering

Ref: P. Descouvemont, Phys. Rev. C **101**, 64611 (2020).

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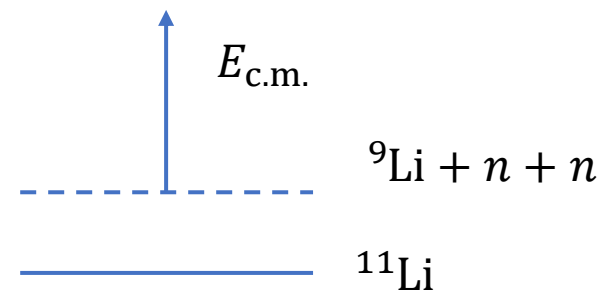
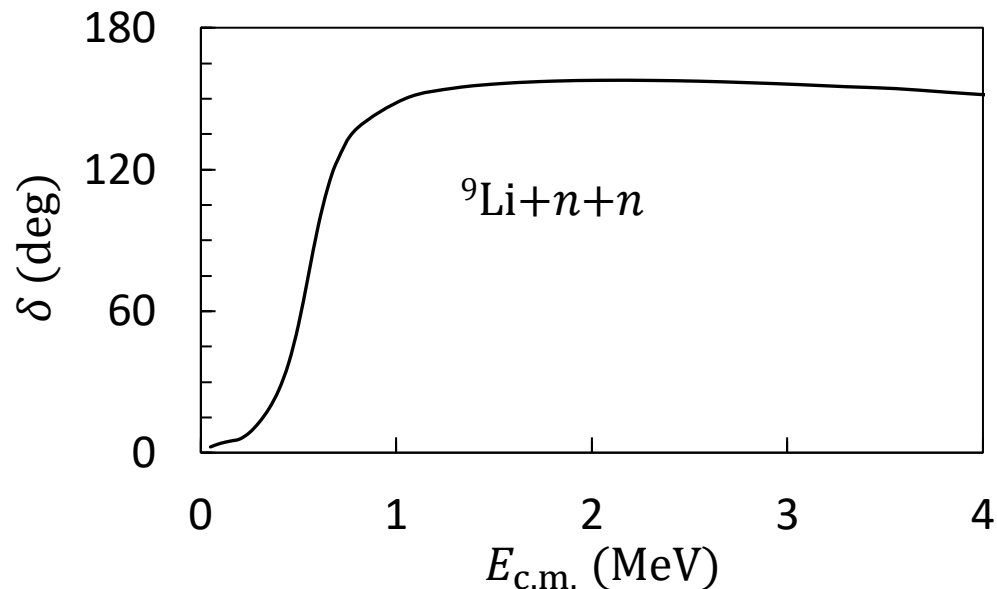
Structure of ^{11}Li : 3-body model $^9\text{Li}+n+n$

- Hyperspherical coordinates
- Details in E. C. Pinilla et al., Phys. Rev. C 85, 054610 (2012).
- V_{nn} =Minnesota potential
- $V_{^9\text{Li}+n}$ =Woods-Saxon fitted on the scattering length
- Spin of the ^9Li core is neglected
- Forbidden states for $s_{1/2}$ and $p_{3/2} \rightarrow$ removed by a supersymmetric transformation

$J=0^+$

- Bound state at $E_B=-0.378$ MeV
- $\sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle}=3.12$ fm, exp= 3.16 ± 0.11 fm

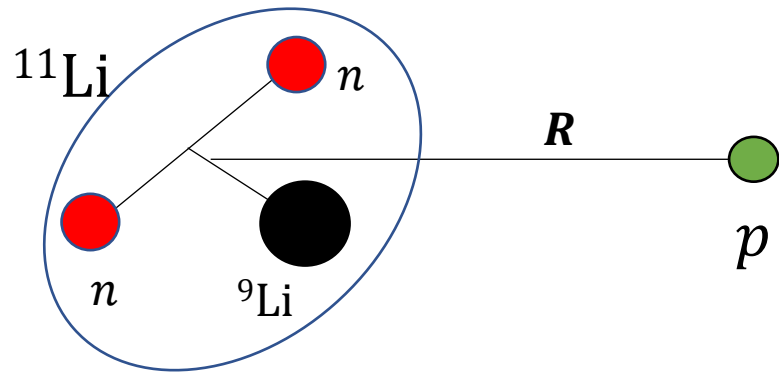
$J=1^-$: $^9\text{Li}+n+n$ phase shifts (3-body phase shifts)



\rightarrow Dipole resonance near $E_{\text{cm}}=0.6$ MeV, $E_x=1.0$ MeV

5. Application to « 3+1 »: the $^{11}\text{Li}+p$ scattering

a. Conditions of the calculations



Interactions

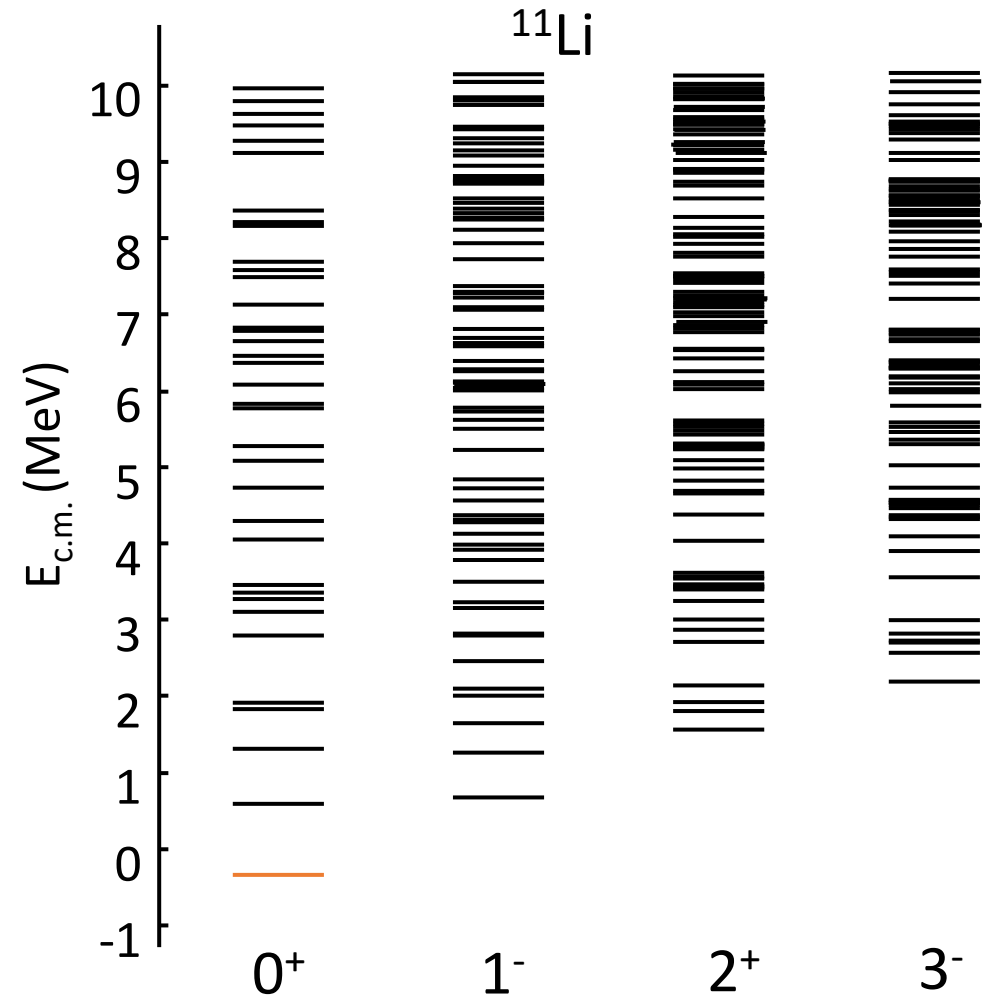
- n+p: Minnesota
- $^9\text{Li}+p$: Koning-Delaroche, Chapel Hill

Channel radius

$a \sim 25$ fm (stability tests)

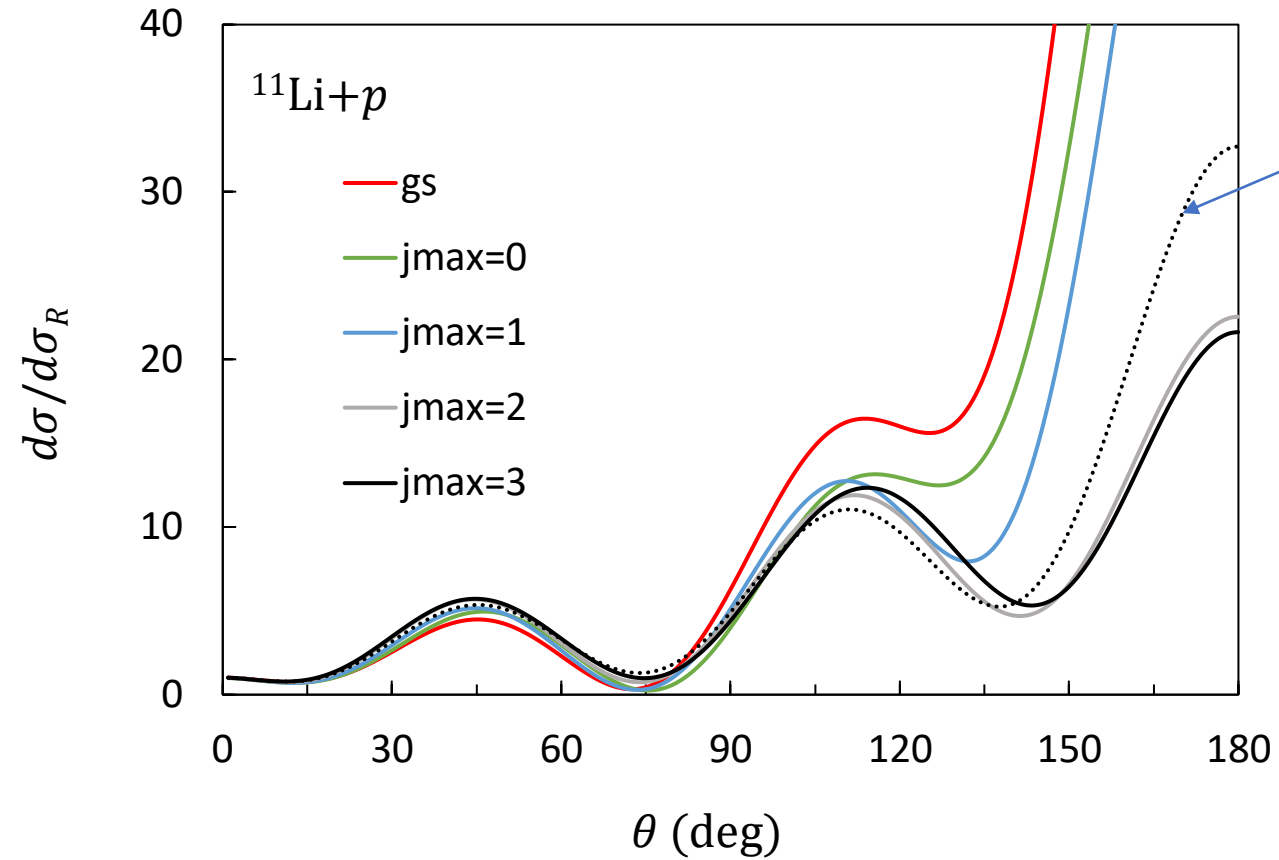
^{11}Li pseudostates

$E_{\text{max}} = 10$ MeV, $j_{\text{max}} = 3$



5. Application to « 3+1 »: the $^{11}\text{Li}+p$ scattering

b. Convergence of the elastic cross section, $E_{\text{lab}}=66$ MeV, $E_{\text{cm}}=5.5$ MeV



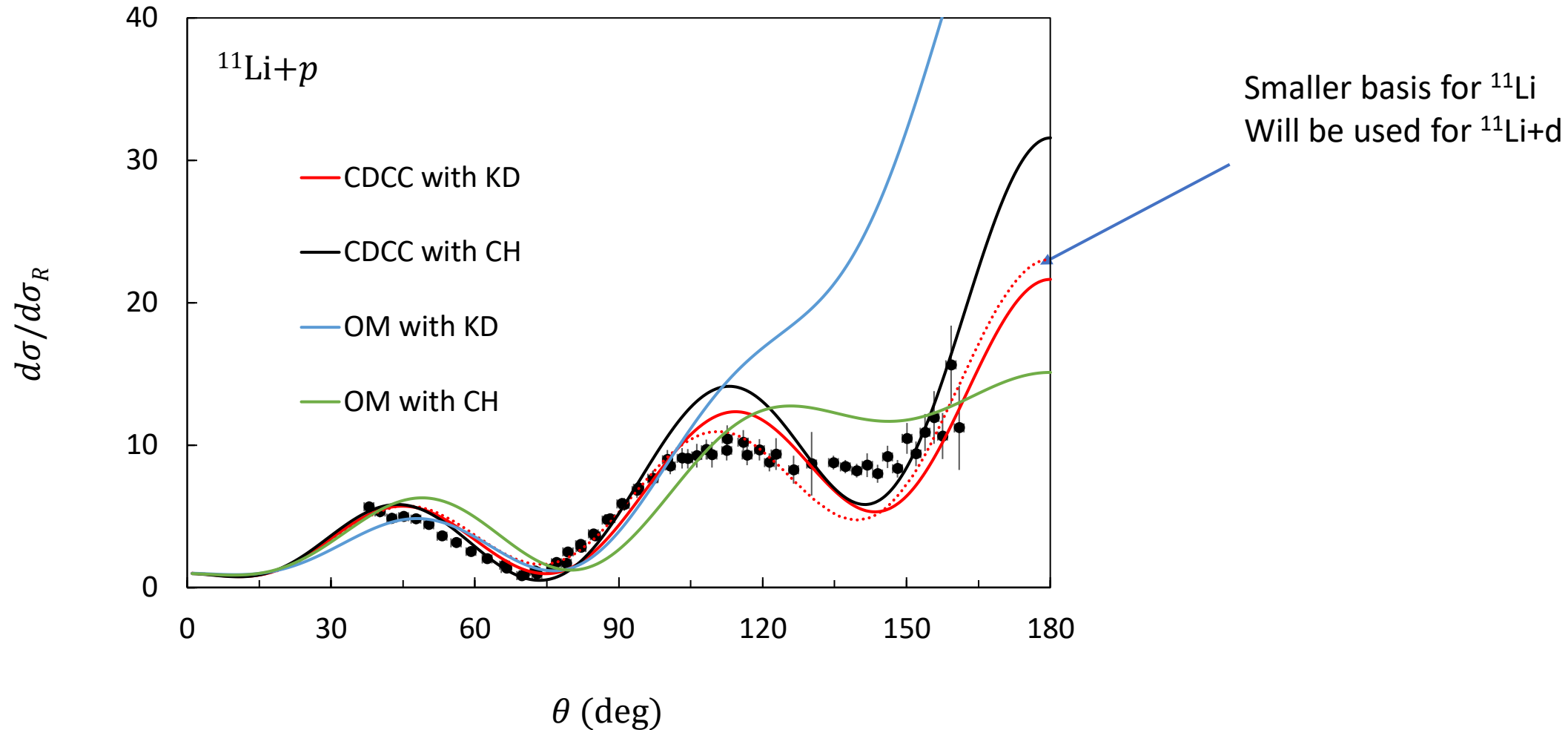
PS up to $E_{\text{max}}=5.5$ MeV
→ Closed channels are neglected

5. Application to « 3+1 »: the $^{11}\text{Li}+p$ scattering

c. Comparison with experiment

Data from J. Tanaka et al., Phys. Lett. B **774**, 268 (2017).

OM: optical model with global parametrizations (KD03, CH89)



6. Application to « 2+2 »: the $^{11}\text{Be}+d$ scattering

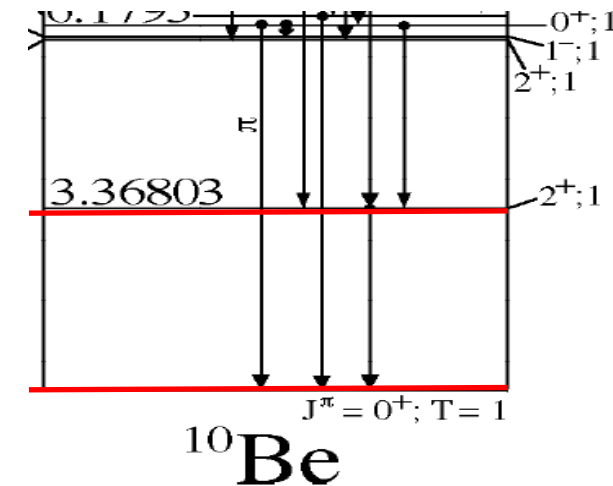
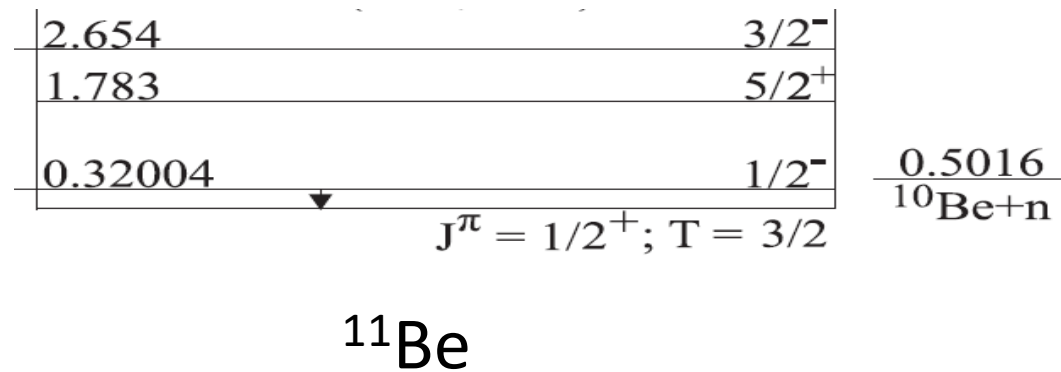
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4. Results on $^{11}\text{Be}+d$

Conditions of the calculation:

- $d=p+n$: Minnesota potential D. R. Thompson et al., Nucl. Phys. A 286 (1977) 53.
- $^{10}\text{Be}+n$, $^{10}\text{Be}+p$ optical potentials: Koning-Delaroche 2003, Chapell Hill 89
- $^{11}\text{Be}=\text{}^{10}\text{Be}+n$: Two calculations



- $^{10}\text{Be}(0^+)+n$: **neglects core excitation**: Potential from Capel et al. PRC C 70 (2004) 064605 reproduces $1/2^+$, $1/2^-$, $5/2^+$ states
 $B(E1, 1/2^- \rightarrow 1/2^+) = 0.23 \text{ e}^2 \cdot \text{fm}^2$ (exp: $0.10 \text{ e}^2 \cdot \text{fm}^2$)
- $^{10}\text{Be}(0^+, 2^+)+n$: **includes core excitation**
 Potential from N. Summers et al., PLB650 (2007) 124: reproduces $1/2^+$, $1/2^-$, $5/2^+$ states
 $B(E1, 1/2^- \rightarrow 1/2^+) = 0.14 \text{ e}^2 \cdot \text{fm}^2$ (exp: $0.10 \text{ e}^2 \cdot \text{fm}^2$)

6. Application to « 2+2 »: the $^{11}\text{Be}+d$ scattering

Number of channels

$$\Psi^{JM\pi} = \sum_c u_c^{J\pi}(R) \varphi_c(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \Omega_R)$$

$$\text{With : } \varphi_c(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \Omega_R) = \left[\left[\Phi_{1k_1}^{j_1}(\mathbf{r}_1) \otimes \Phi_{1k_2}^{j_2}(\mathbf{r}_2) \right]^I \otimes Y_L(\Omega_R) \right]^{JM}$$

with index $c = (j_1, k_1, j_2, k_2, I, L)$

I = channel spin

L = angular momentum between d and ^{11}Be

j_1, k_1 : quantum numbers of ^{11}Be

j_2, k_2 : quantum numbers of d

Present conditions:

^{11}Be : $j_1 = 1/2^\pm, 3/2^\pm, 5/2^+$: ~ 40 states

d : $j_2 = 0^+, 2^+$: ~ 15 states

→ ~ 600 physical channels

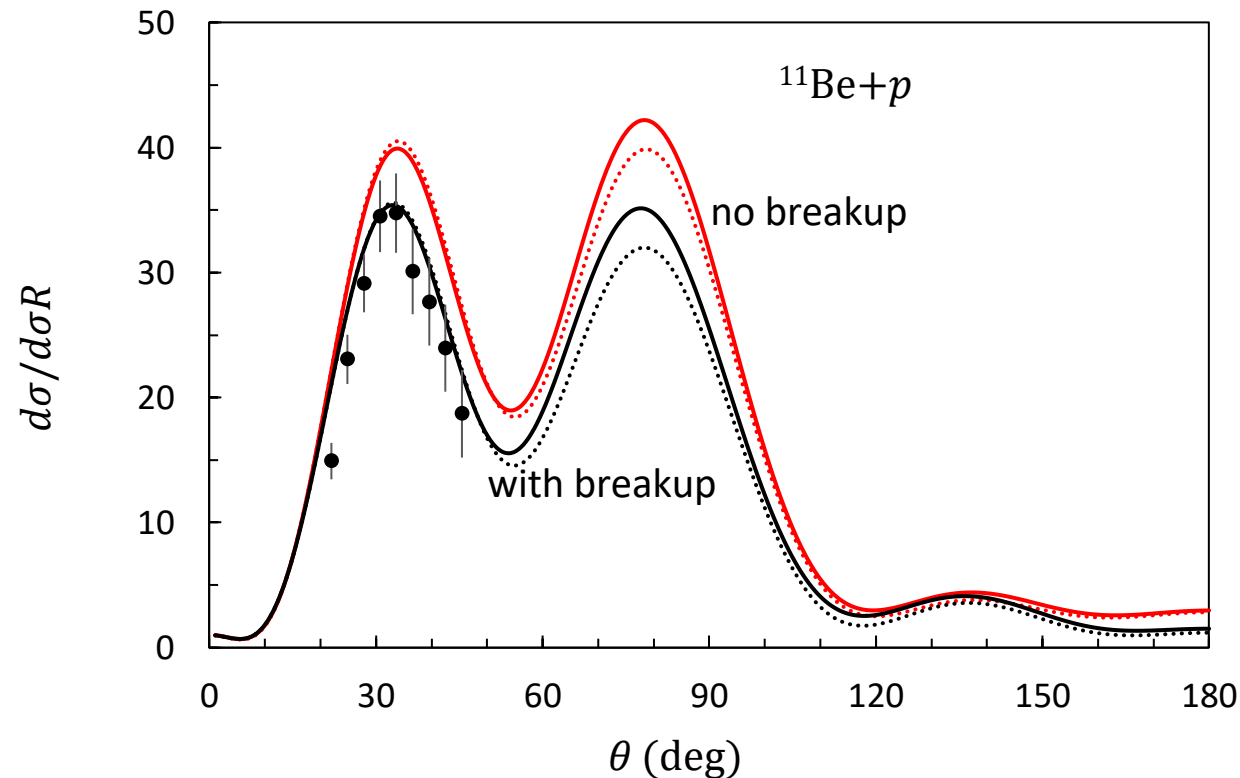
→ \sim including $(I, L) \rightarrow \sim 3000$ values for index c (depends on $J\pi$)

→ Very large systems!

6. Application to « 2+2 »: the $^{11}\text{Be}+d$ scattering

Intermediate calculation: $^{11}\text{Be}+p$

- Data by Chen et al., PRC93 (2016) 034623 at $E(^{11}\text{Be})=26.9A$ MeV
- 3-body CDCC calculation: same potentials, same ^{11}Be wave functions

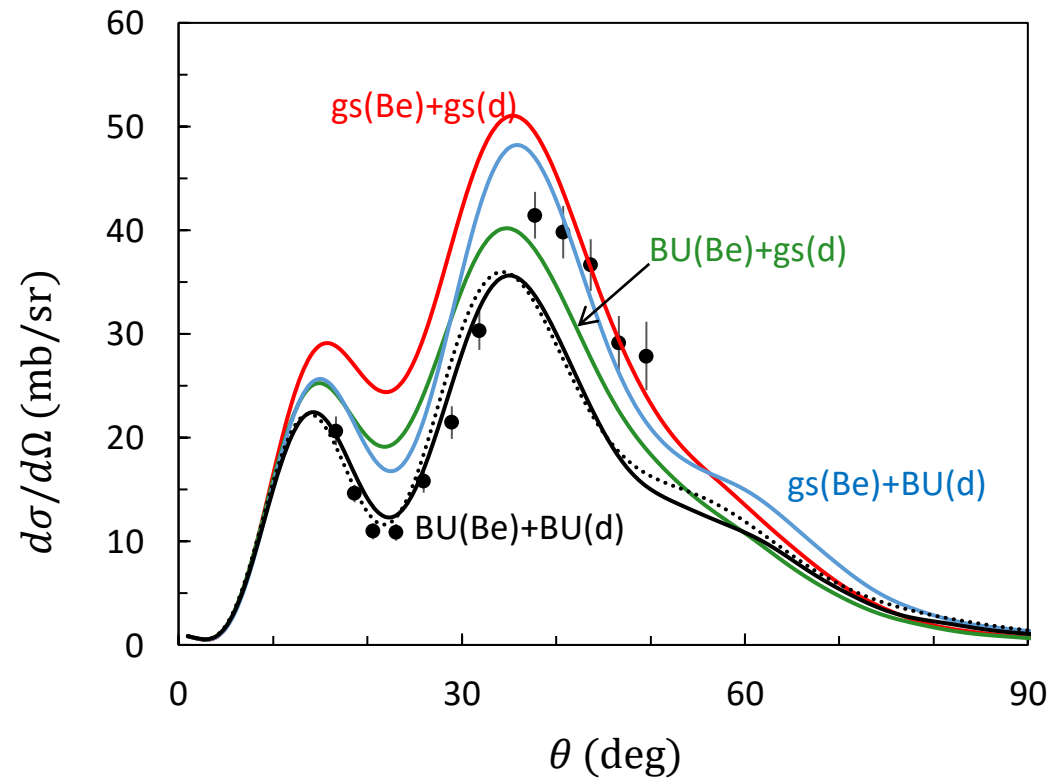


- Good agreement with experiment
- Breakup effects non negligible
- Role of core excitation is minor

6. Application to « 2+2 »: the $^{11}\text{Be}+d$ scattering

$^{11}\text{Be}+d$ Elastic scattering: $E_{\text{lab}}(^{11}\text{Be})=26.9A$ MeV ($E_{\text{cm}}=45.5$ MeV)
data from J. Chen et al., PRC 94 (2016) 064620

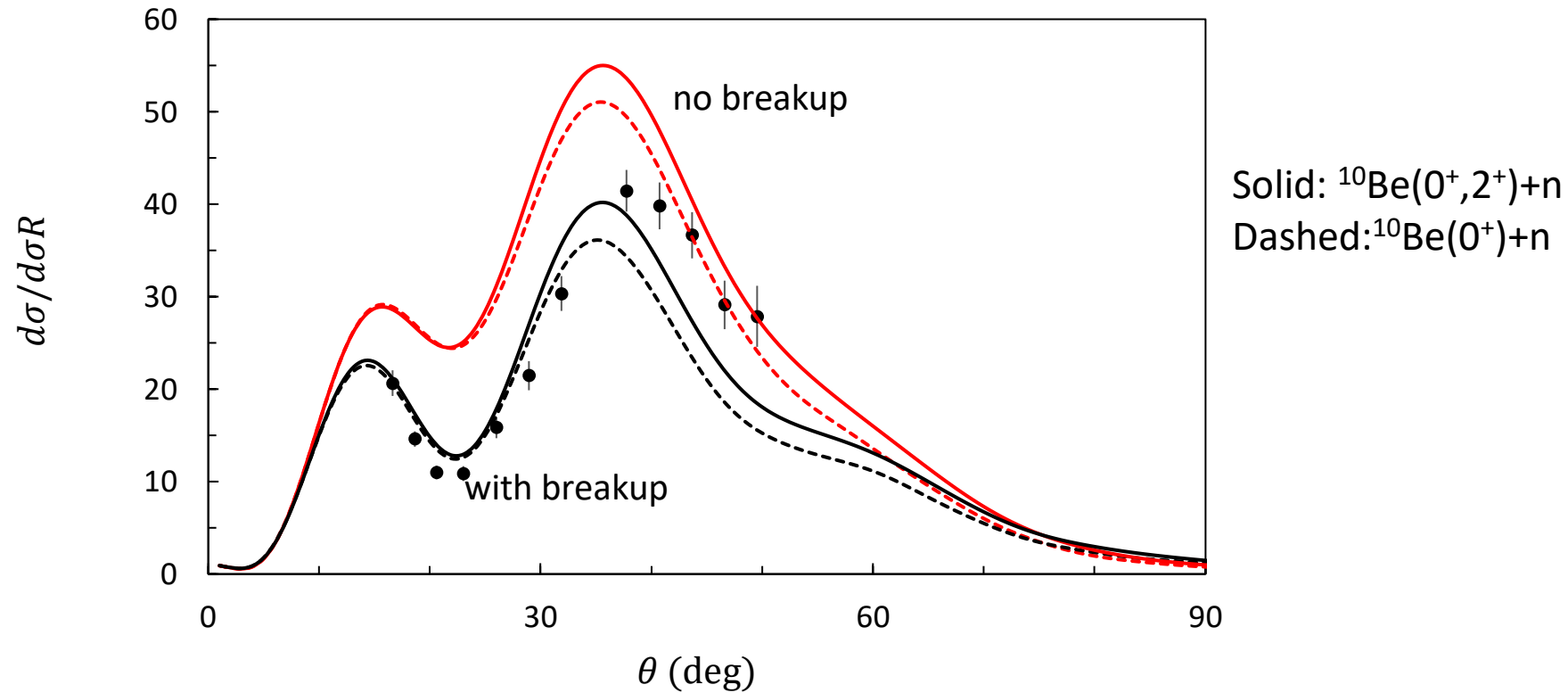
Without core excitation



- Excellent agreement for $\theta \leq 30^\circ$ when ^{11}Be and d BU are introduced
- **Weak sensitivity** to the $^{10}\text{Be}+\text{nucleon}$ optical potential
- Underestimation for $\theta > 30^\circ$
 - Need for $^{12}\text{Be}+p$ channel?
 - ^{10}Be core excitation?
 - Experimental normalization?

6. Application to « 2+2 »: the $^{11}\text{Be}+d$ scattering

With ^{10}Be core excitation



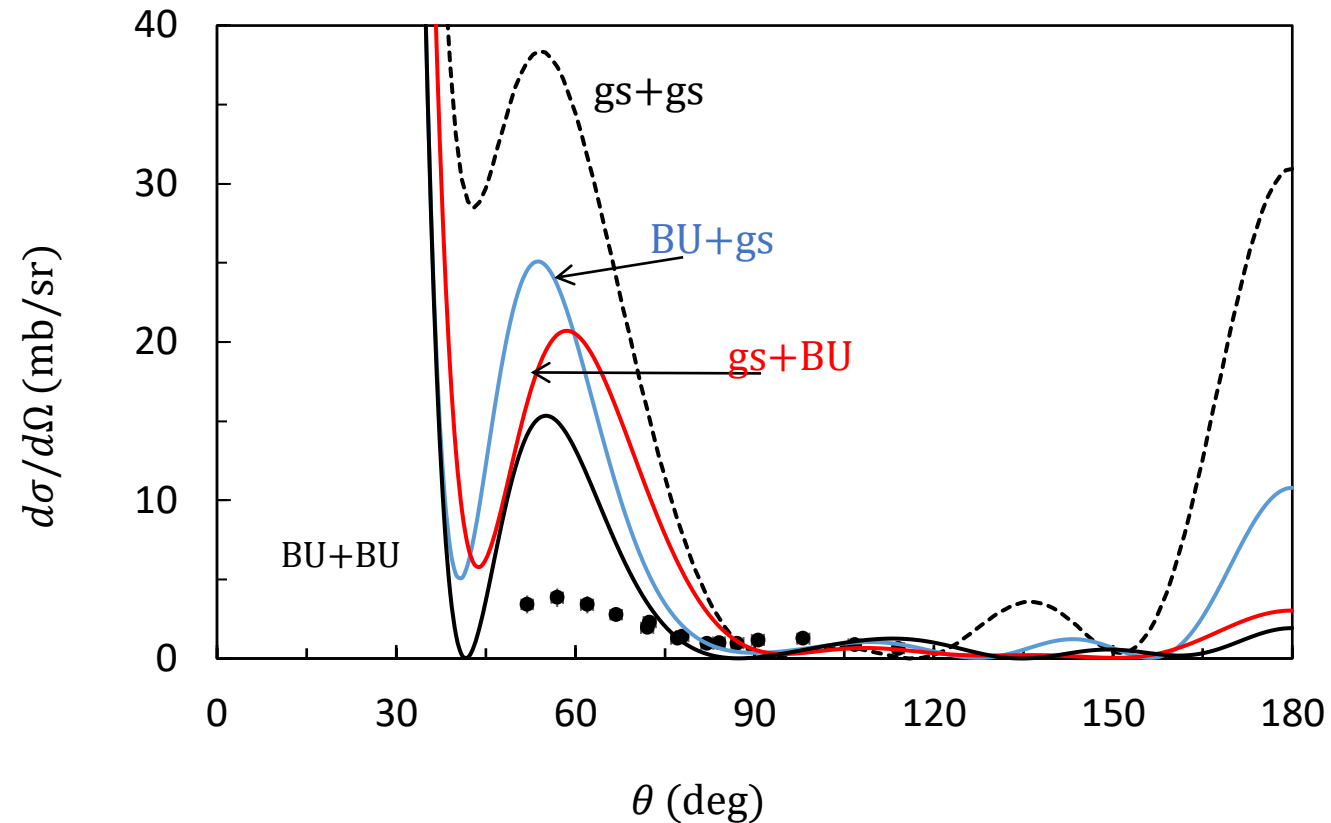
- Weak role of core excitation
- Breakup important

7. Application to « 3+2 »: the $^{11}\text{Li}+d$ scattering

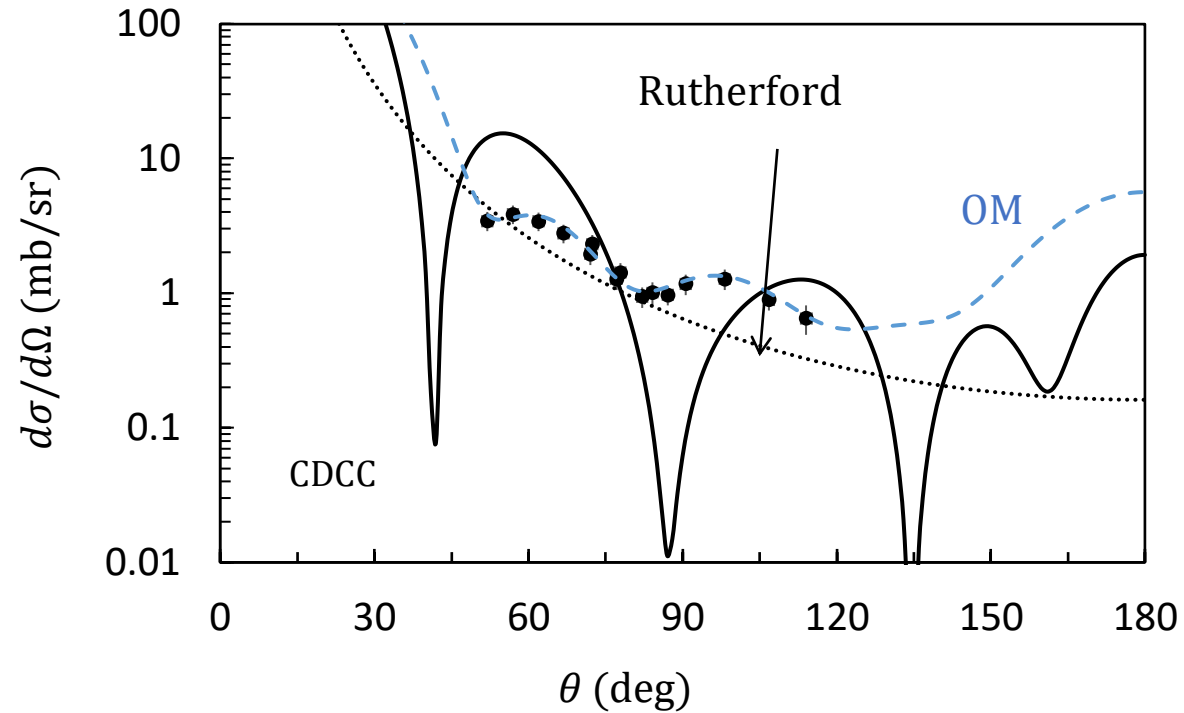
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7. Application to « 3+2 »: the $^{11}\text{Li}+d$ scattering

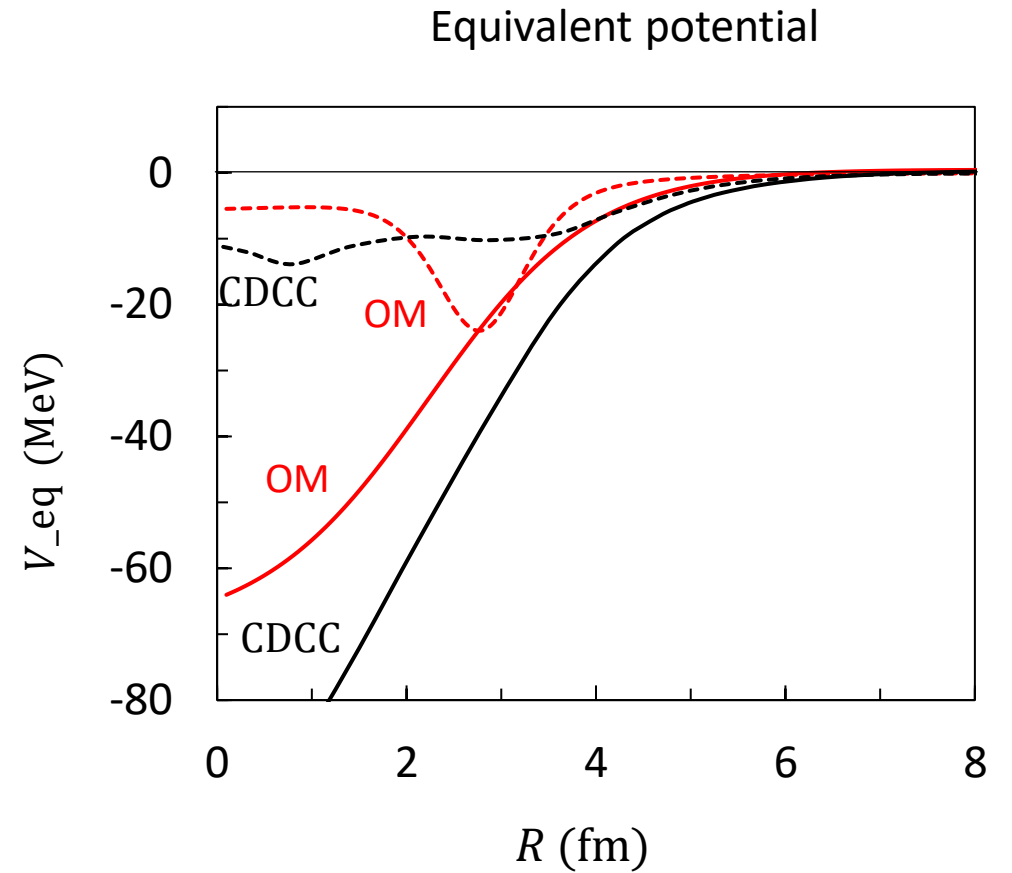
- Main goal: simultaneous study of $^{11}\text{Li}+p$ and $^{11}\text{Li}+d$ (same conditions)
- Data from R. Kanungo et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **114**, 1 (2015), Elab=55.3 MeV, Ecm=8.5 MeV
- Much more difficult: many channels, coupling potentials require long computer times, etc
→ no full convergence



7. Application to « 3+2 »: the $^{11}\text{Li}+d$ scattering



- OM: optical potential fitted by Kanungo et al.
- Data are close to Rutherford scattering



A short range is necessary
(surprising...)

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- **No fitting parameter**: the model is based on optical potentials known from the literature
- **2+2 and 3+2: heavy numerical calculations** (many channels)
 - $J\pi$ scattering matrices computed in parallel
 - Potential matrix elements saved on files
 - Optimization of the R-matrix parameters (number of basis functions)
- **Extension to 3+3** (${}^6\text{He}+{}^9\text{Be}$) : feasible (but complicated!)
- **Limitations of CDCC at low energies**
 - presence of resonances?
 - treatment of Pauli forbidden states?
- **Future (and current) work: transfer reactions**
 - Use of CDCC scattering wave functions
example: ${}^{11}\text{Li}(p,t){}^9\text{Li}$: P. Descouvemont, Phys. Rev. C **104**, 024613 (2021).
 - Use of microscopic overlap integrals
 ${}^6\text{He}(d,n){}^7\text{Li}$ (microscopic description of ${}^7\text{Li}$): P. Descouvemont, Eur. Phys. J. A 2022 5810 **58**, 1 (2022).
 ${}^{16}\text{C}(d,p){}^{17}\text{C}$ (microscopic description of ${}^{17}\text{C}$): Le Hoang Chien and P. Descouvemont, Phys. Rev. C **108**, 044605 (2023).
 ${}^{11}\text{Li}(p,t){}^9\text{Li}(\text{gs, exc})$ (microscopic description of ${}^{11}\text{Li}$): in progress



Thank you for your attention!