

Structure and reaction observables of drip-line nuclei with the Gamow Shell Model

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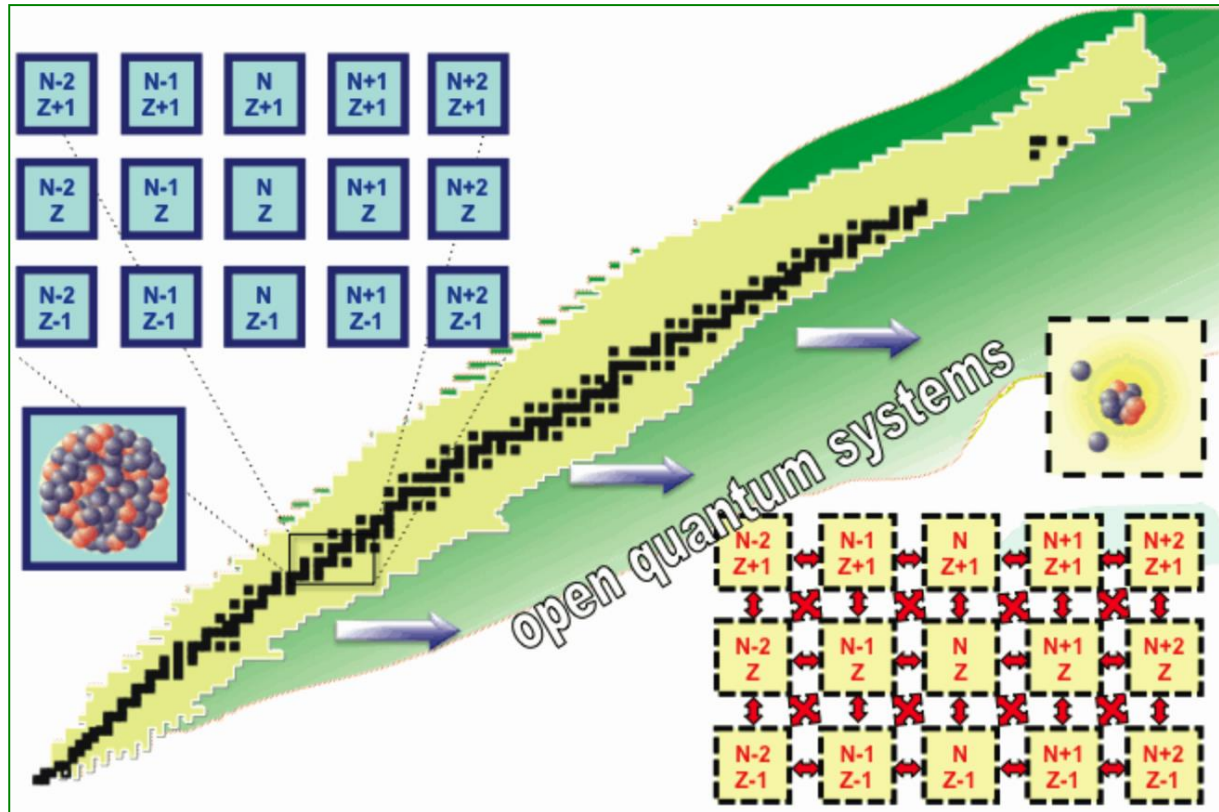
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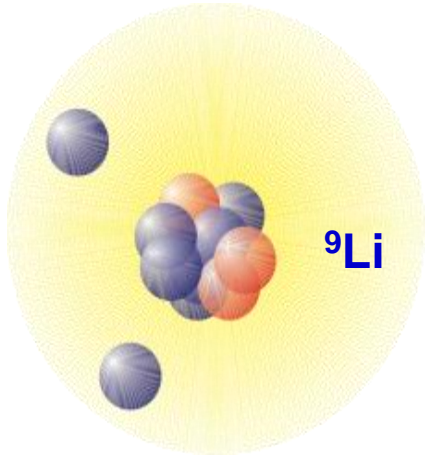
Scientific context



Experimental interest

Study of nuclei far from the valley of stability
 Many efforts made to study drip-line nuclei

Borromean nuclei



^{11}Li : Borromean halo nucleus

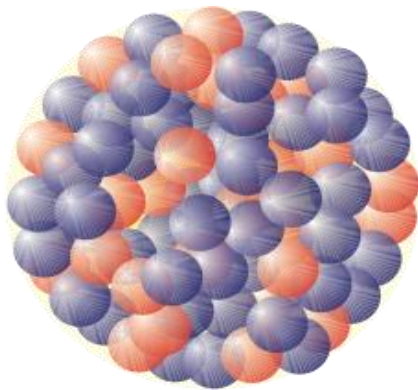
$Z=3, N=8$

$n+n$ is **unbound**

$n+{}^9\text{Li}$ is **unbound**

but $n+n+{}^9\text{Li}$ is **bound** !

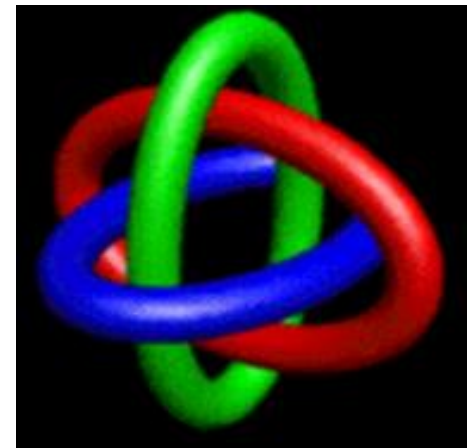
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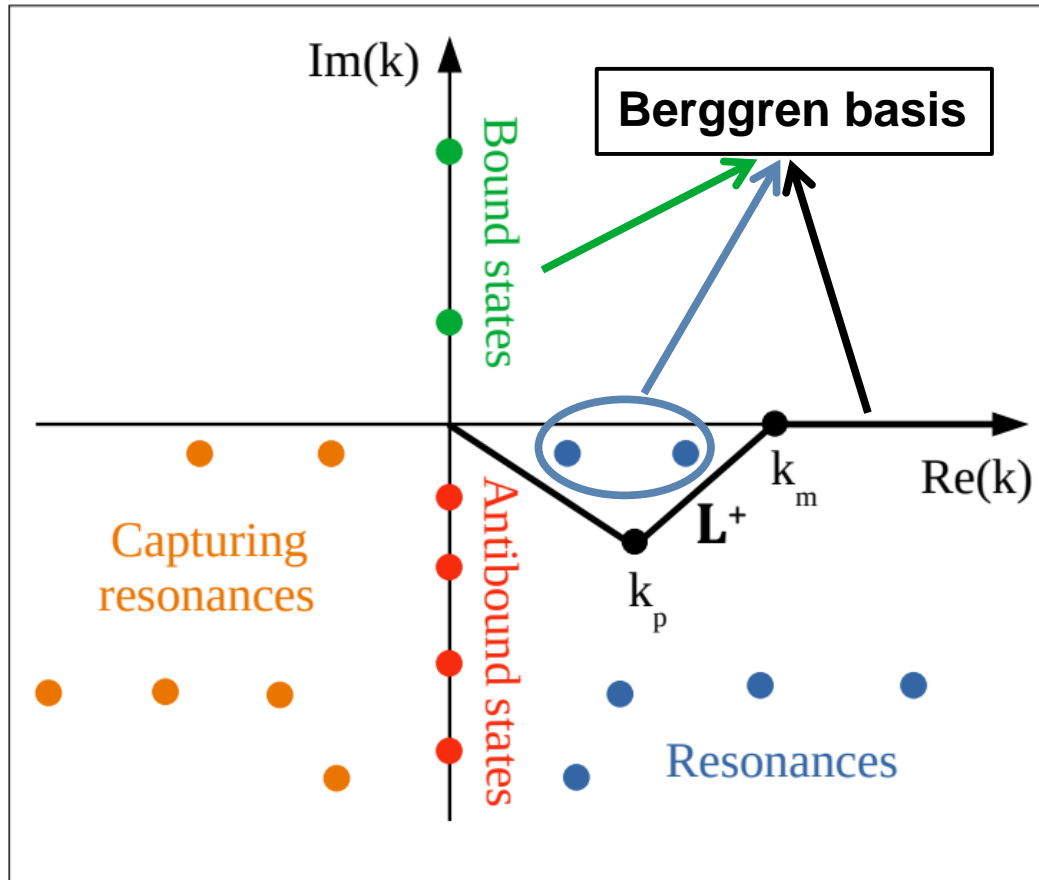
^{208}Pb : well bound

heavy nucleus $Z=82, N=126$

The Borromean
Rings



The Berggren basis



Berggren basis : bound, resonance and scattering states

Efficient discretization of the L^+ contour with Gauss-Legendre quadrature

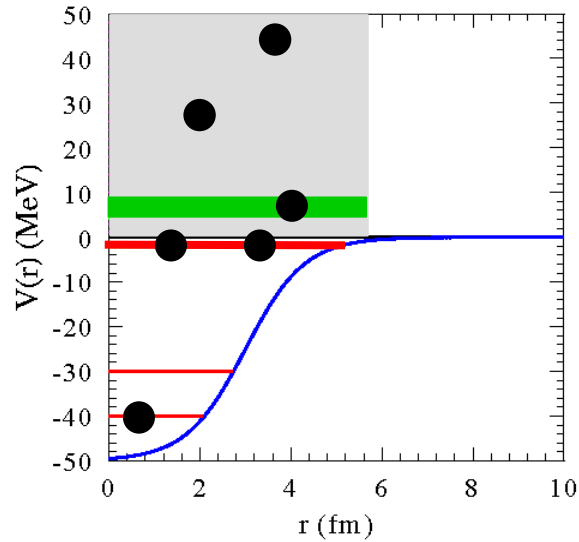
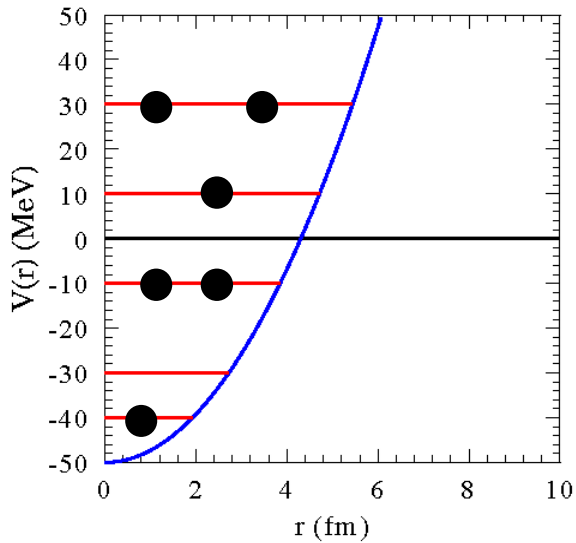
Gamow Shell Model (GSM)

Standard shell model

Gamow Shell Model

Closed quantum system description

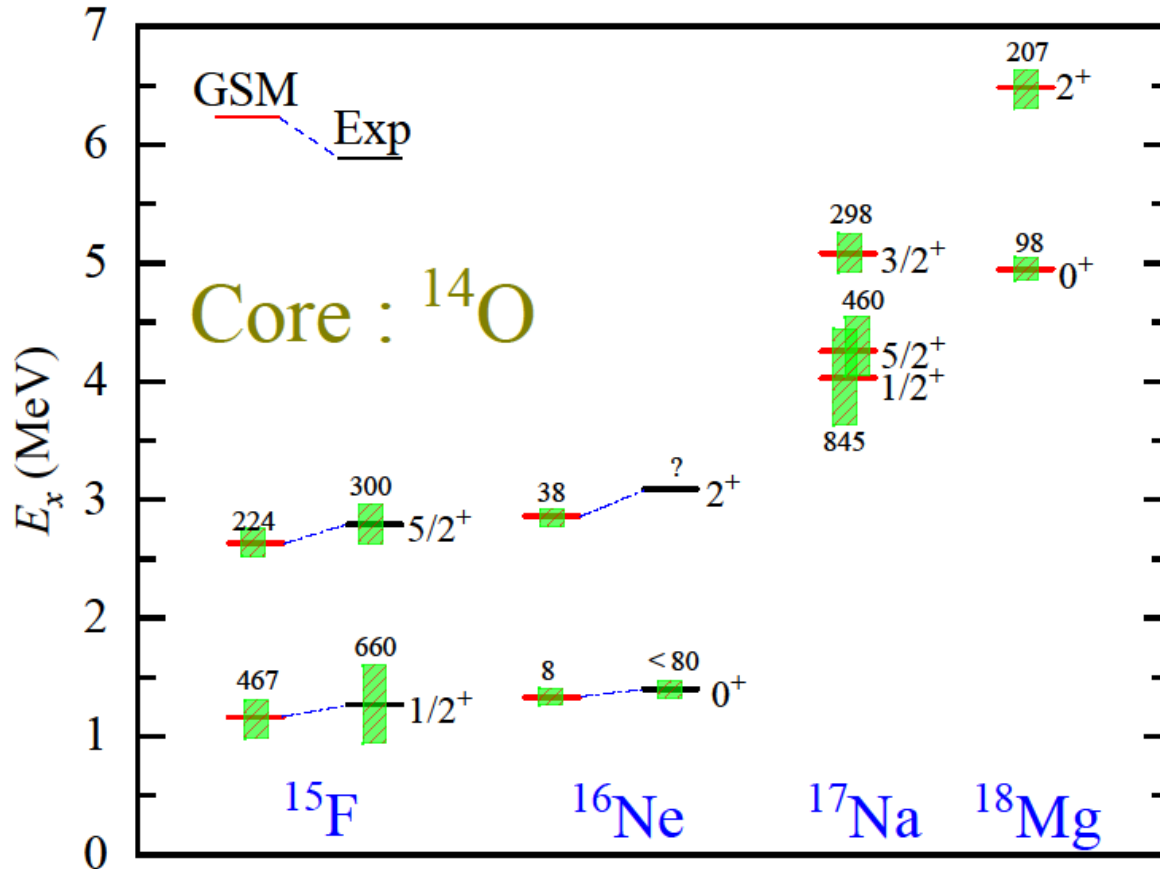
Open quantum system description



Localized states only

Localized states
Halo states of complex structure
Many-body resonances

Proton-rich carbon isotones with GSM



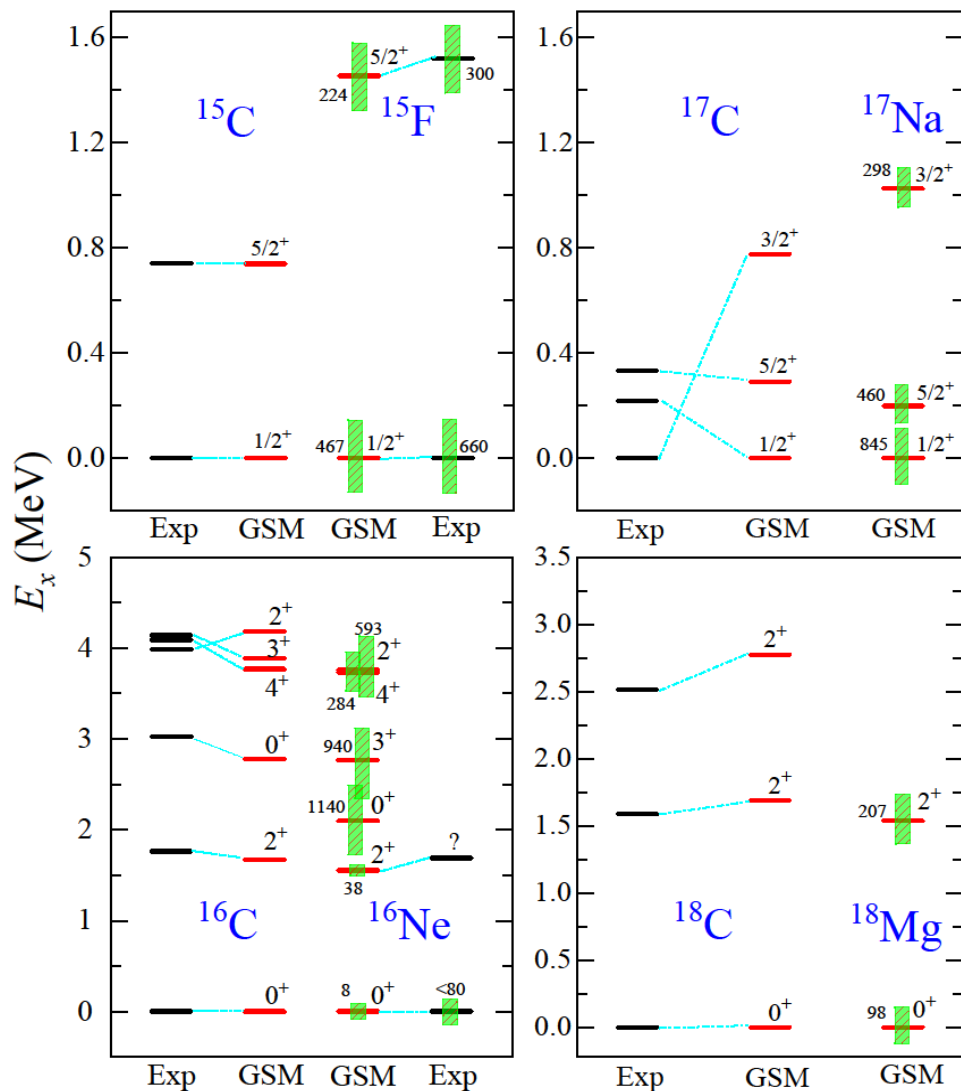
Interest
p, 2p emission in light nuclei

Model
GSM with a ^{14}O core
EFT interaction
psd Berggren basis

Spectra
Energies and widths
well reproduced

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Isospin symmetry breaking in carbon isotopes and isotones with GSM



Isospin symmetry breaking

Carbon isotopes : well bound
Carbon isotones : unbound

Thomas-Ehrmann shift
induced by continuum coupling

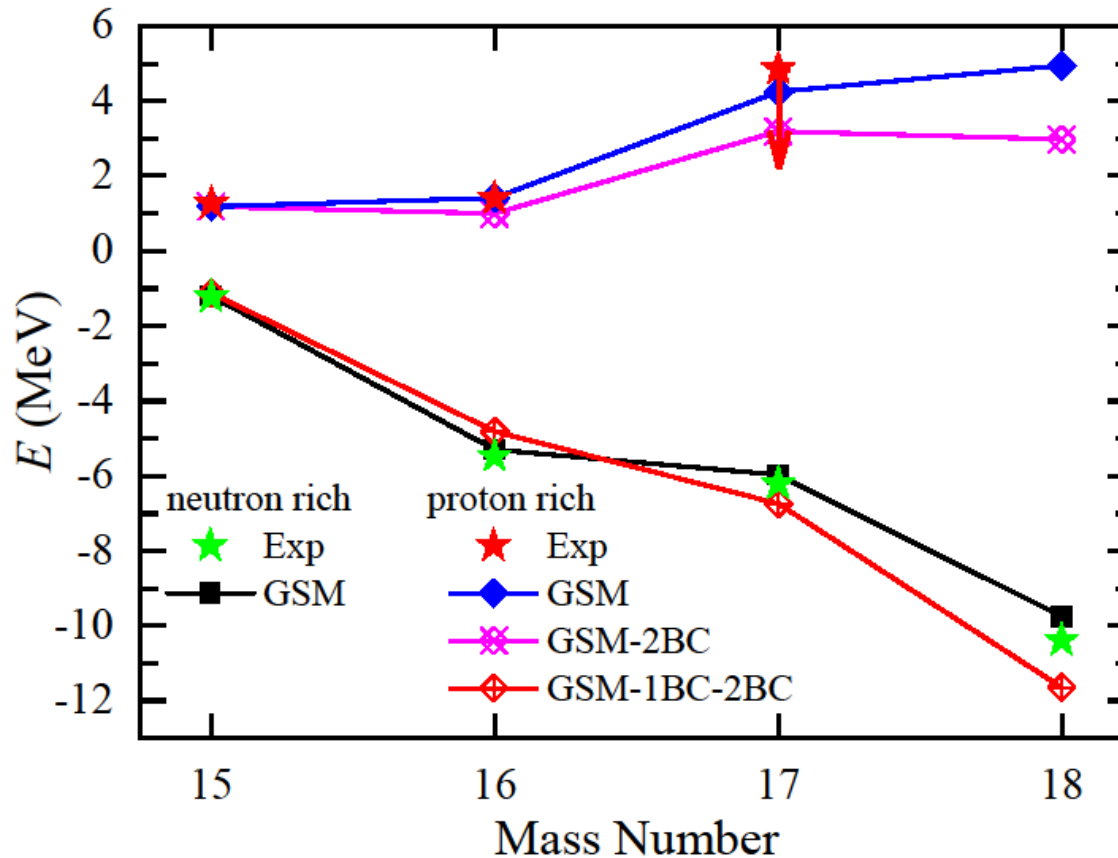
Increasing Coulomb interaction
Continuum coupling
Nuclear structure

Large width not necessarily induces
large Thomas-Ehrmann shift

Width prediction of ^{16}Ne and ^{18}Mg
1p ~100 keV, 2p ~10 keV

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Coulomb contribution in proton-rich nuclei



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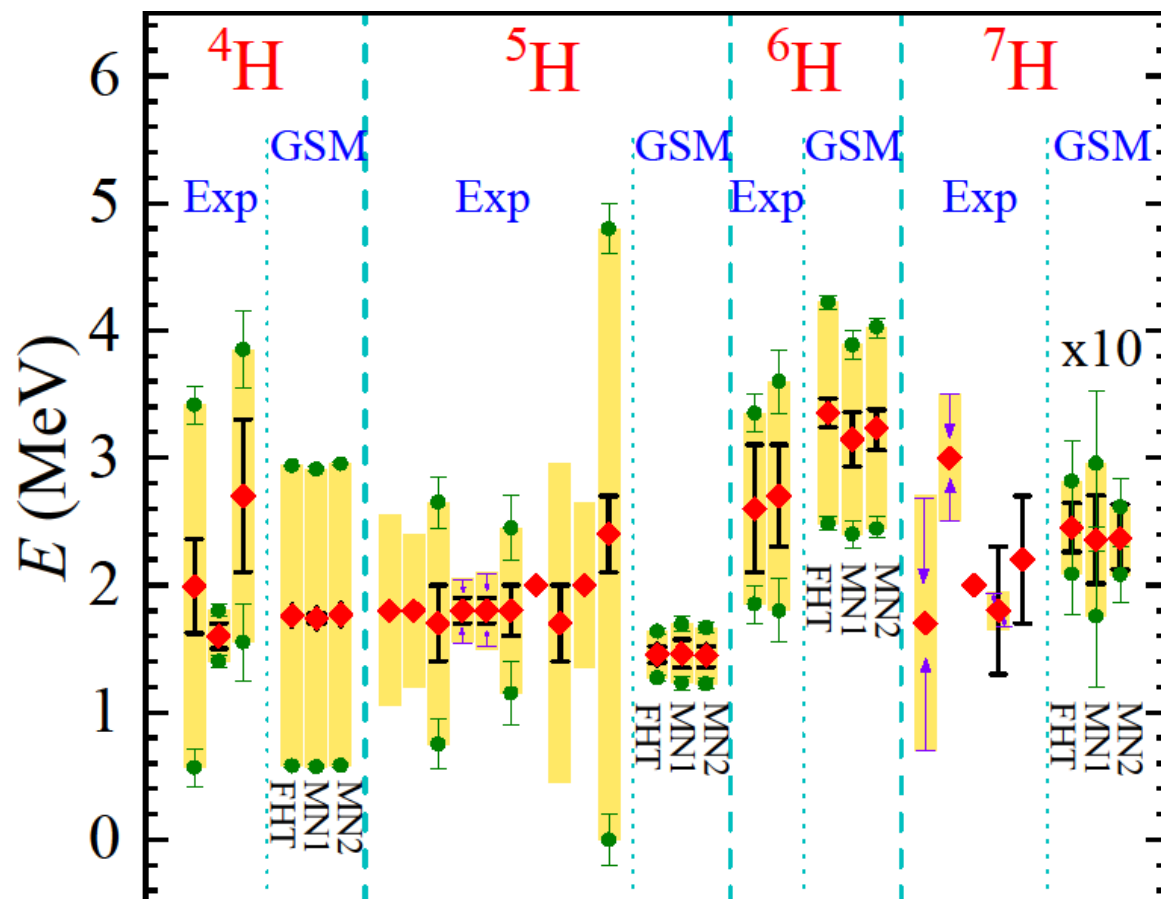
Coulomb contribution

^{14}O core potential : one-body part
Valence protons : two-body part
Coulomb interaction at proton drip-line

Comparison with carbon isotopes

Nuclear energy : similar to carbon isotopes
Energy difference : isospin symmetry breaking
Unintuitive behavior of energy : non monotonous

Unbound hydrogen isotopes with GSM



Odd unbound hydrogen isotopes

Experimental data with large errors
 Similar results with FHT, Minnesota

^5H : ~ 500 keV width, moderate
 ^7H : 10-250 keV width, narrow

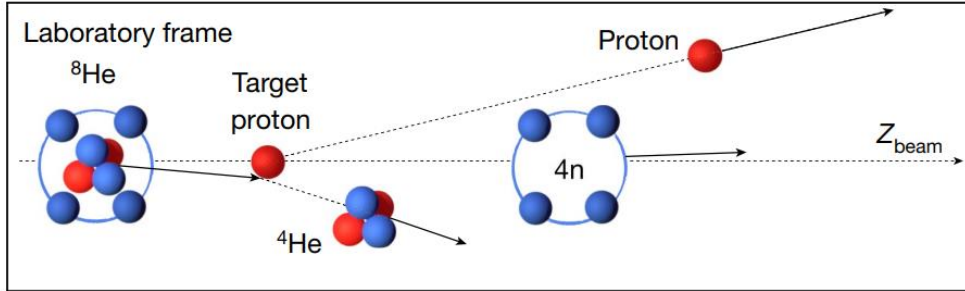
To be checked in future experiments

H. H. Li, J. G. Li, N. Michel, W. Zuo,
 Phys. Rev. C **104**, L061306 (2021)

Hydrogen isotopes

GSM with a core of ^3H (ab-initio GSM not applicable : model spaces too large)
 FHT and Minnesota (MN1, MN2) interactions in $spdf/spd$ space with the Berggren basis
 Two-body interactions obtained from a fit of the He chain
 Large widths for $^4,6\text{H}$, smaller widths for $^5,7\text{H}$

Application of ab-initio GSM to the tetraneutron

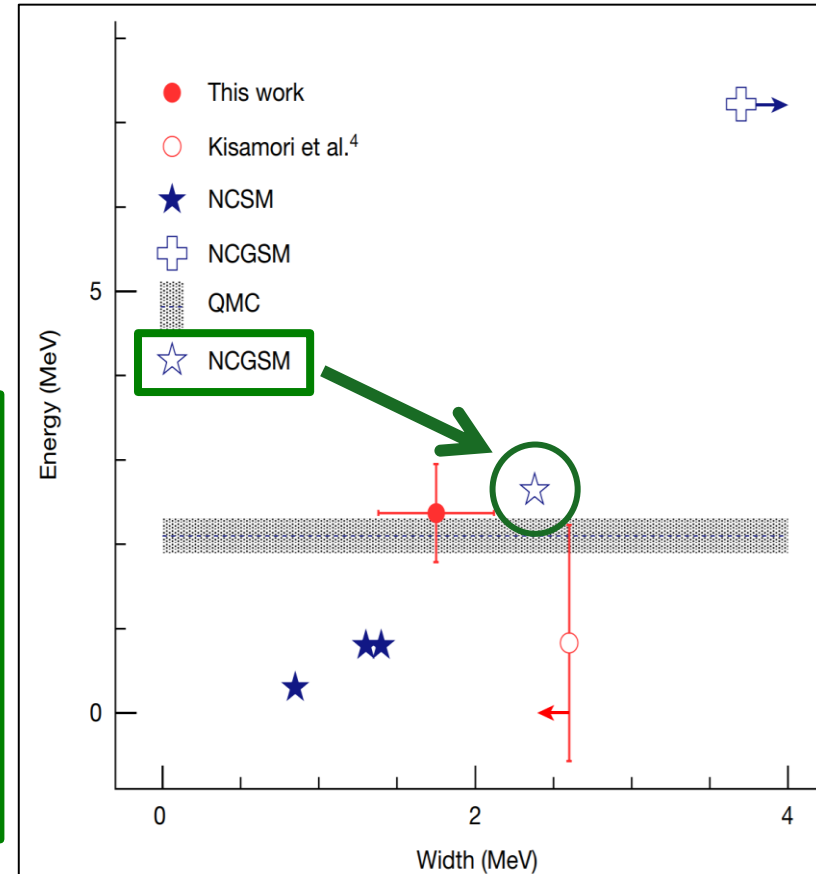


Full space results from 3p-3h + 4p-4h calculations

3n: $E \sim 1.29 \text{ MeV}$, $\Gamma \sim 0.91 \text{ MeV}$

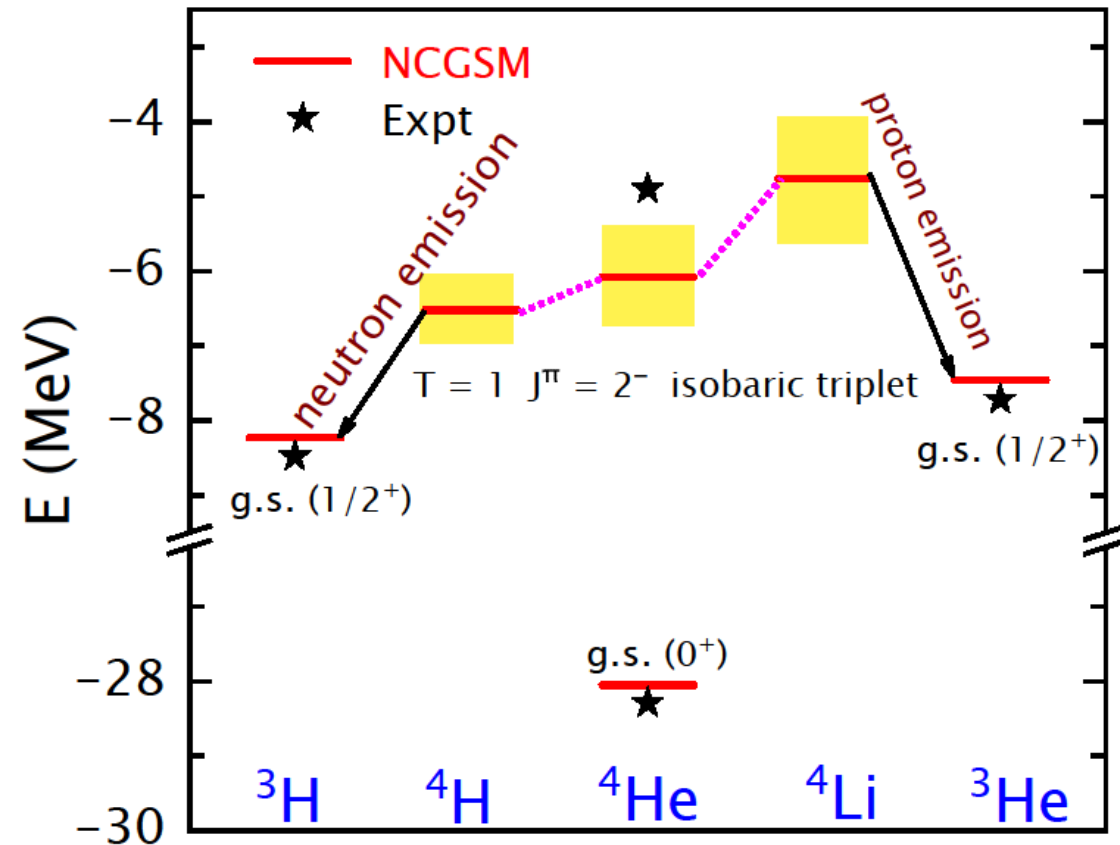
4n: $E \sim 2.65 \text{ MeV}$, $\Gamma \sim 2.38 \text{ MeV}$

4n NCGSM results close to recent experimental data
(M.Duer et al., Nature **606**, 678–682 (2022))



J.G. Li, N. Michel, B.S. Hu, W. Zuo, F.R. Xu, Phys. Rev. C **100**, 054313 (2019)

Isospin symmetry breaking in $A=4$ $T=1$ resonances with ab-initio GSM



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Coulomb interaction

No Coulomb force in ${}^4\text{H}$
 Coulomb force moderate in ${}^4\text{He}$
 Coulomb force largest in ${}^4\text{Li}$

Width increases from ${}^4\text{H}$ to ${}^4\text{Li}$
 due to Coulomb force

Isospin symmetry breaking

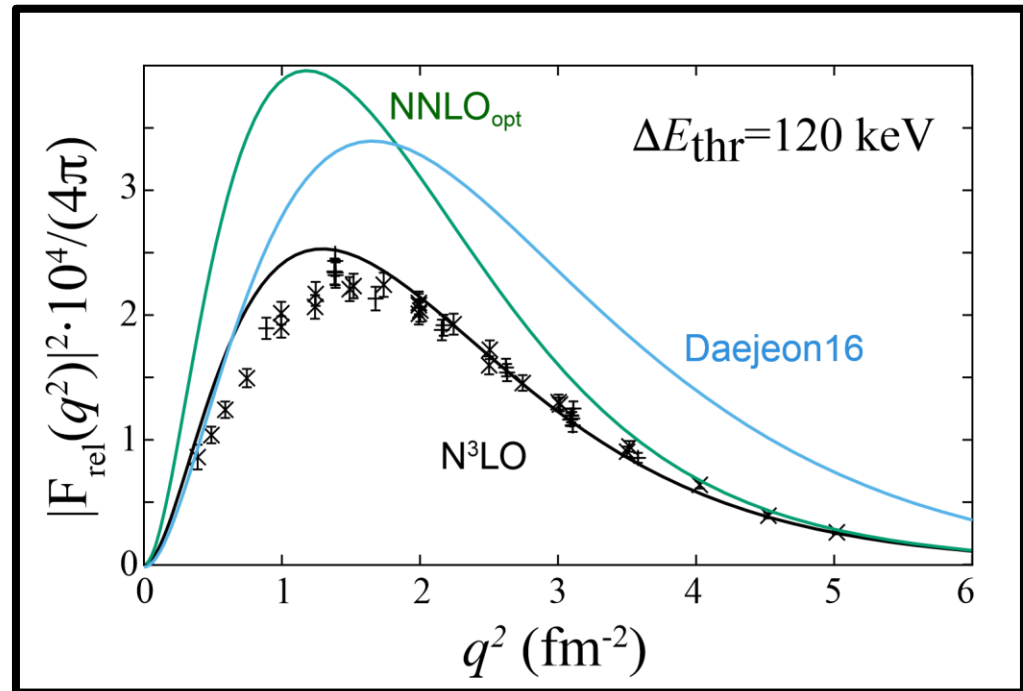
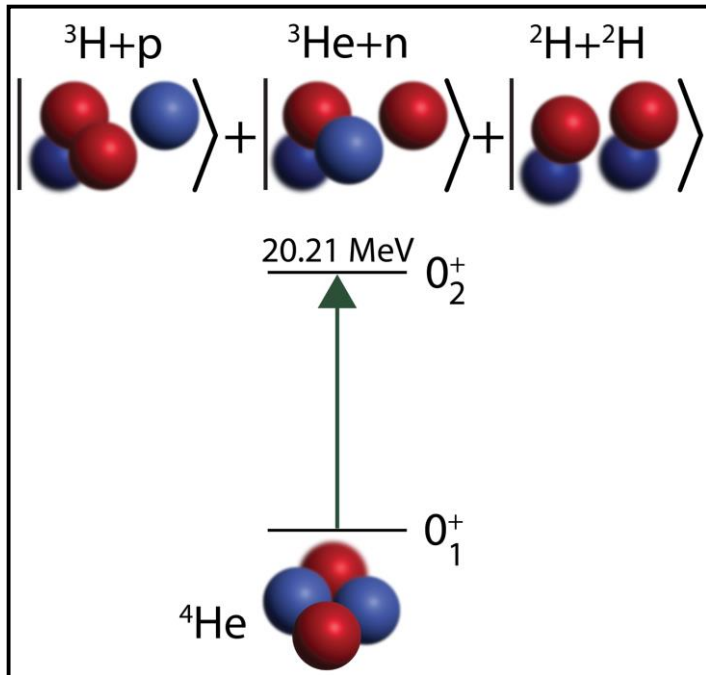
$T=1$ 2- many body states
 Isospin multiplet in $A=4$ states

Unique situation
 Broad resonances in $T=1$ multiplet

$T=1$ in ${}^4\text{H}$ and ${}^4\text{Li}$
 $T \sim 0.71$ in ${}^4\text{He}$

Isospin symmetry strongly broken

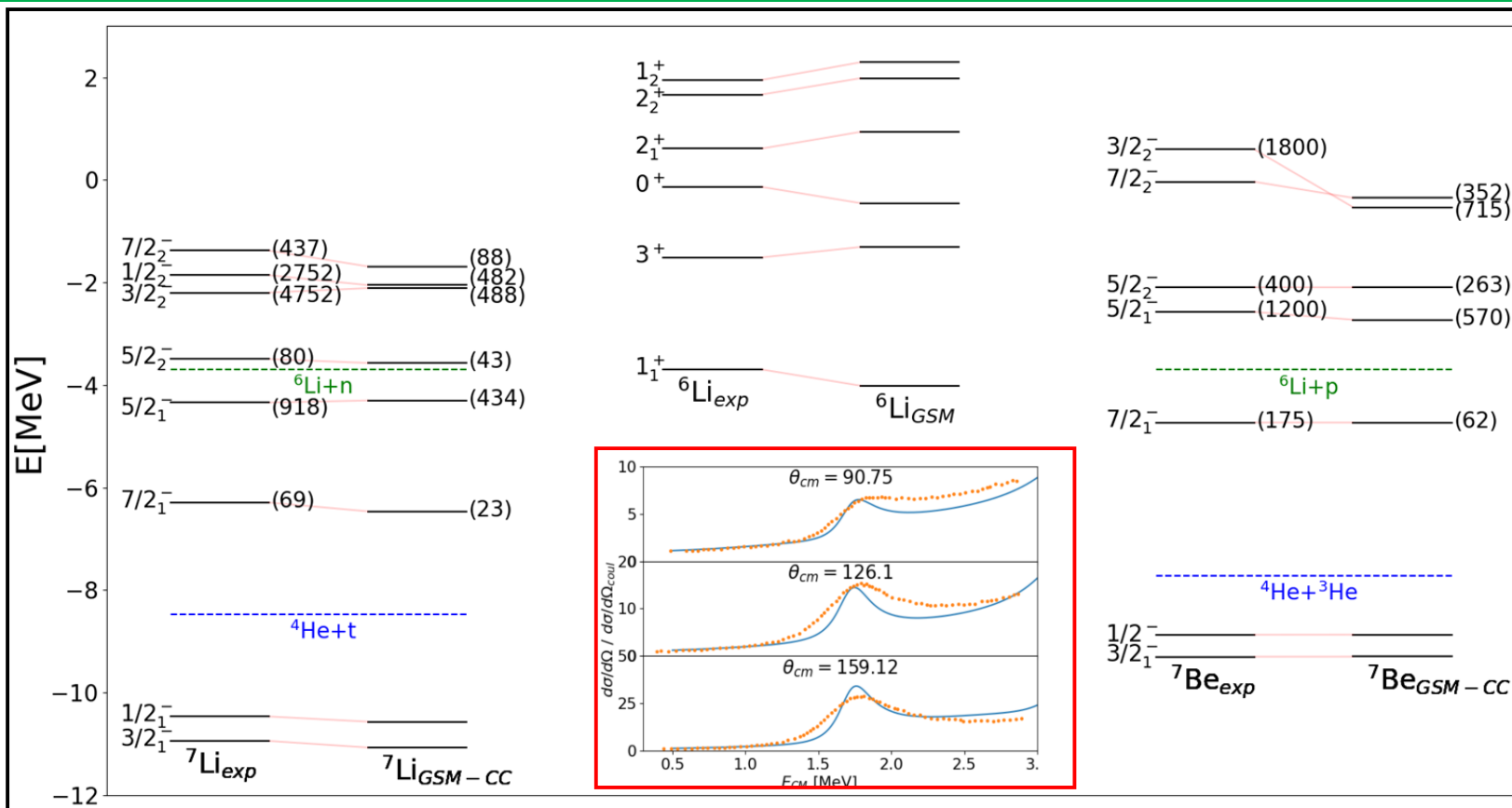
Proton resonance state of ^4He



No core GSM-CC with realistic interactions
 Threshold-aligned resonance of the $^3\text{H} + p$ channel
 Reproduction of monopole form factor (corrected figure)
 Very strong energy + interaction dependence :
 Not a good observable to constrain nuclear interactions

Lowest excited state of ^4He
 Proton resonance with $\Gamma = 500 \text{ keV}$
 Breathing mode ?
 Particle-hole excitation ? Other ?

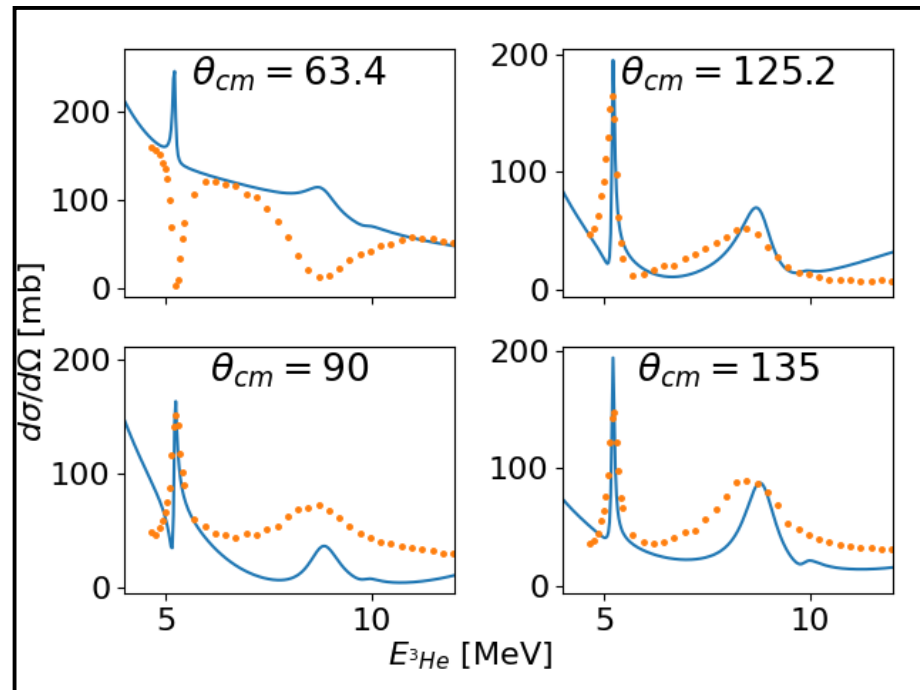
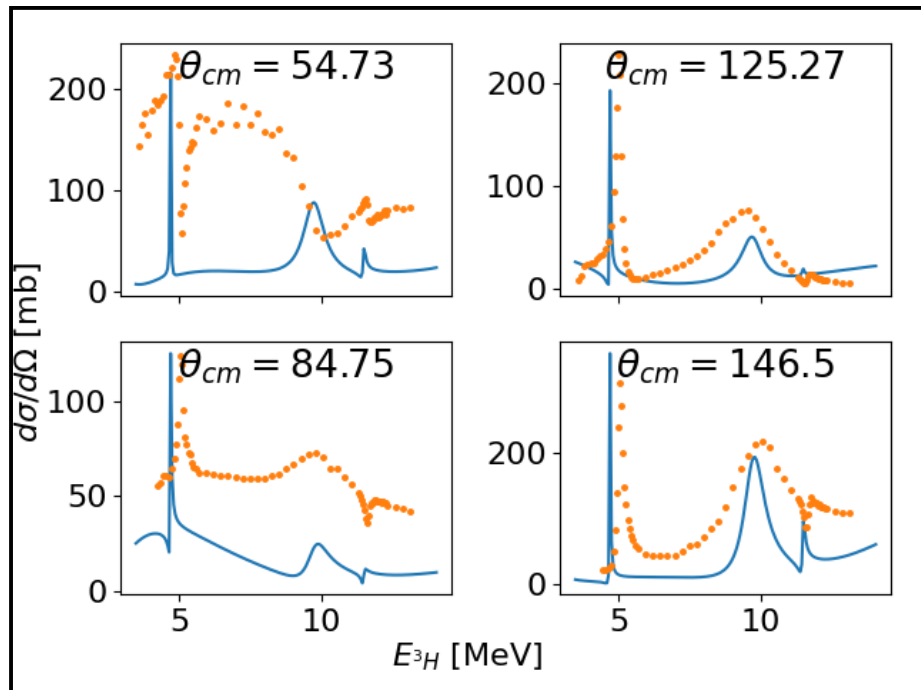
GSM-CC with ^3H and ^3He projectiles (1/2)



Hamiltonian : WS + FHT with alpha core
 Spectrum well reproduced with GSM-CC
 Cross sections of $p + ^6\text{Li}$ reactions excellent

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 Phys. Rev. C **108**, 044616 (2023)

GSM-CC with ^3H and ^3He projectiles (2/2)



FHT interaction between valence nucleons
 N^3LO interaction for ^3H and ^3He projectile structure
 Direct cross sections well reproduced in average

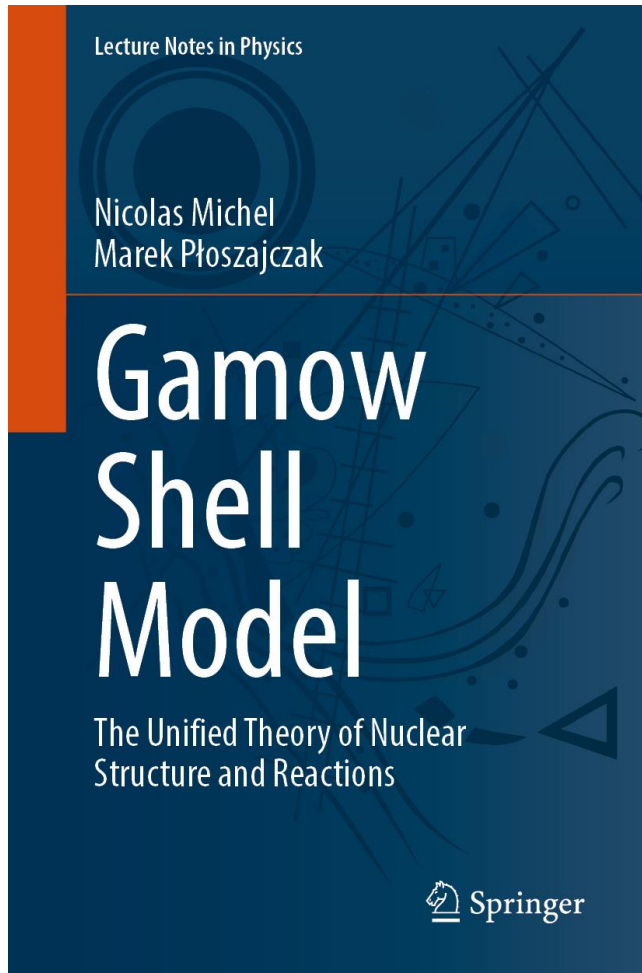
Results not satisfactory for small angles
 Transfer reactions (not shown) too small
 Imaginary part of potentials to determine

Book on Gamow shell model

The Gamow Shell Model: the unified theory of nuclear structure and reactions

Authors : N. Michel and M. Płoszajczak

Publisher : Lectures Notes in Physics (Springer)



Background

Functional analysis, linear algebra, differential equations,
standard quantum mechanics

Main topics

Introduction with one-body and two-body systems
Many-body theory of complex-energy physics
Halos and resonances in molecules and nuclei
Nuclear structure and reactions

Exercises and codes

Theoretical details + codes available from internet

Conclusion

Current status

GSM: structure model including the continuum

Realistic interactions in no-core GSM : $A=3-5$ unbound nuclear states

Effective interactions with core + valence nucleons : $A=10-20$ drip-line nuclei

Reaction observables calculated with GSM-CC : fine tuning of Hamiltonian necessary

Structure of the ^4He proton-resonance investigated : threshold-aligned resonance

Many-nucleon projectiles : agreement with experimental data satisfactory

Different Hamiltonians for many-nucleon projectiles and target

Book on GSM and GSM-CC published : theory, exercises, GSM codes publicly available

Perspectives

Eigenvector continuation for broad resonances and no-core GSM

Transfer reactions calculated with imaginary potentials to devise theoretically