

Course 6: Theory for exploring nuclear reaction experiments

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Nuclear reactions in a three body model

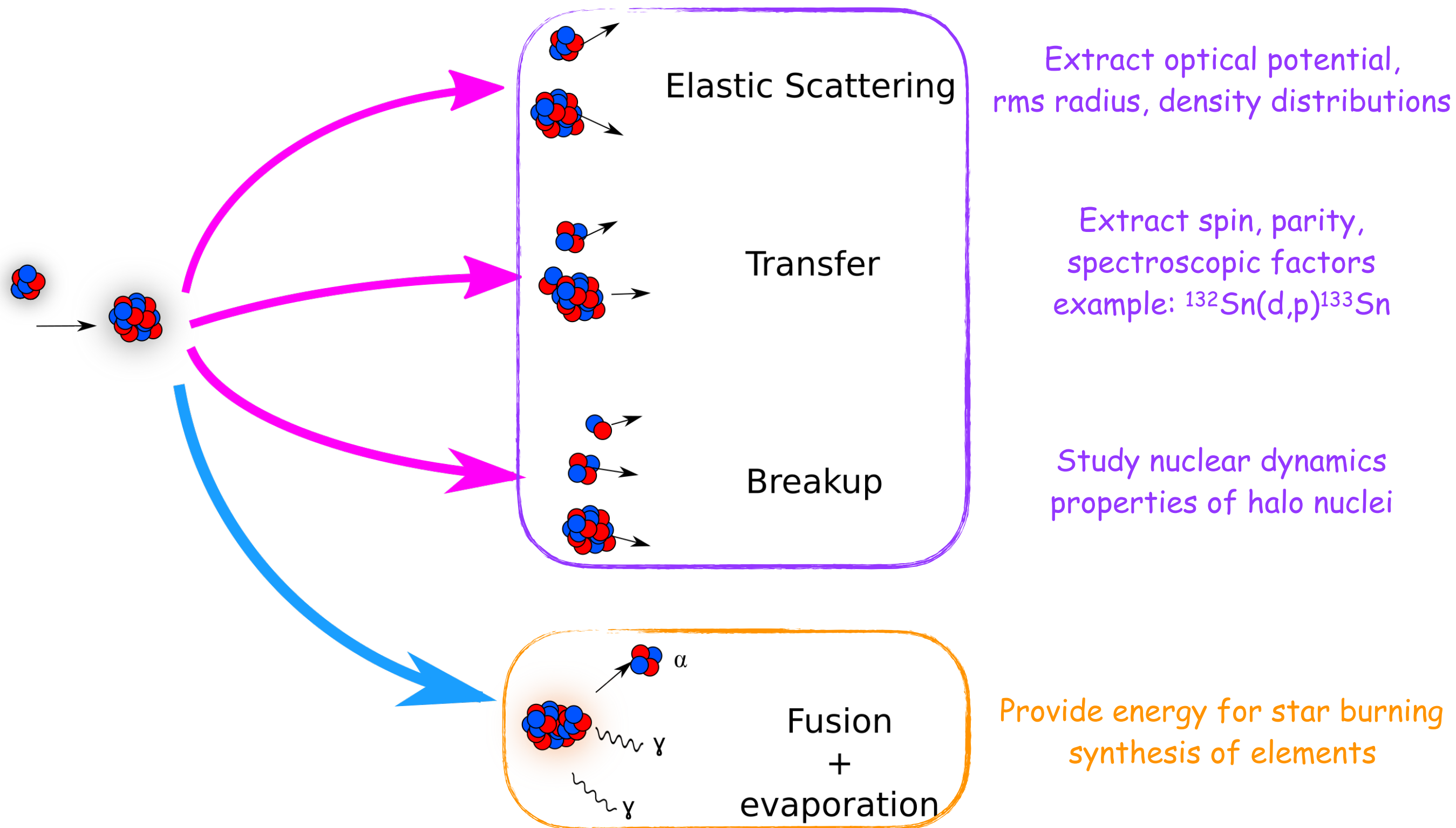
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What is a nuclear reaction

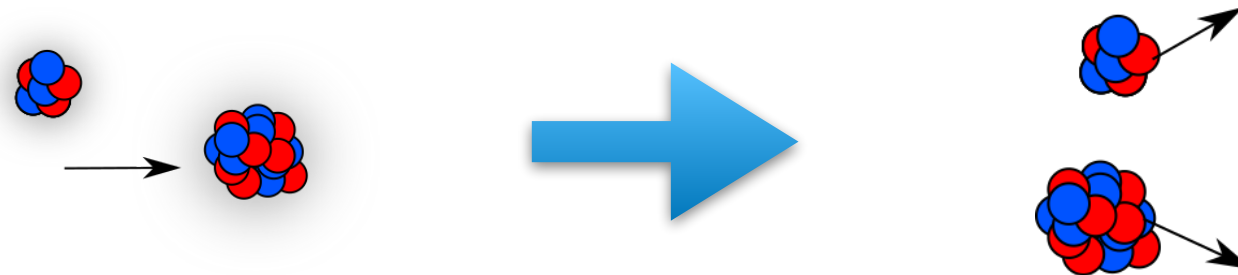
- Nuclear reaction is the interaction between a projectile and a target



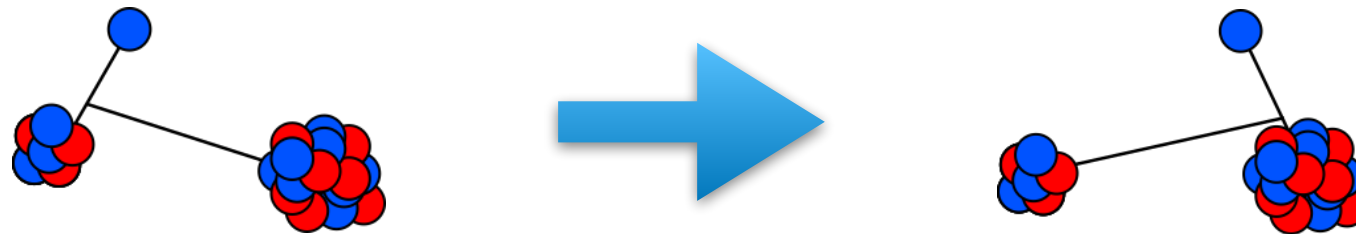
Why three body model

Key word: degree of freedom

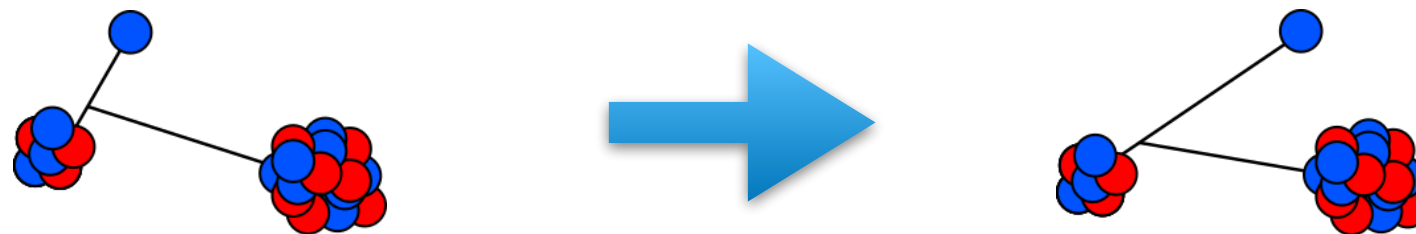
- Elastic scattering: only relative coordinate between projectile and target



- Transfer reaction: from one Jacobi coordinate set to another

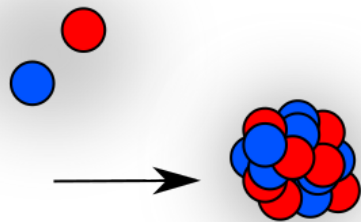


- Breakup reaction: stay in one Jacobi coordinate, but from bound state to continuum

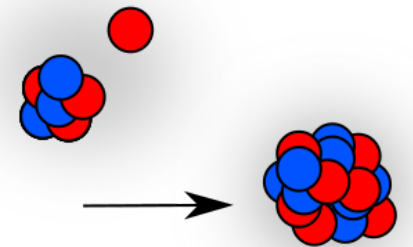


The cases can be considered as three body model ⁵

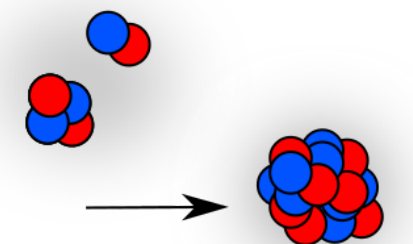
- $d(n+p)+A$ reaction



- halo nuclei induced reaction: $^{11}\text{Be}(^{10}\text{Be}+n)+A$; $^8\text{B}(^7\text{Be}+p)+A$



- clustered structured projectile induced reaction: $^6\text{Li}(\alpha+d)+A$



Three body model

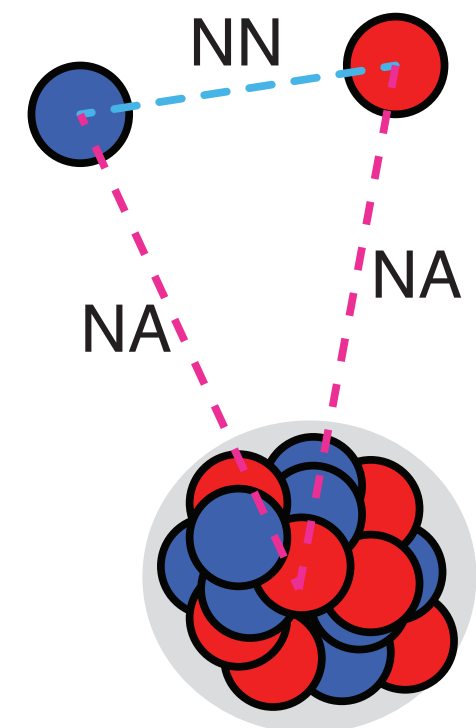
- Assume the projectile has a two body structure



- Hamiltonian for effective three body problem: take d+A reaction as an example

$$H = \underbrace{H_0}_{\text{kinetic energy}} + \underbrace{V_{np} + U_{pA} + U_{nA}}_{\text{two body interaction}}$$

- Nucleon-nucleon interaction “well” known
 - chiral interactions, ‘high precision’ potentials
- Effective proton (neutron) interactions
 - Phenomenological optical potentials fitted to data
 - Optical potentials with theoretical guidance
 - Microscopic optical potentials
 - Ab initio derivation of effective interaction



Solving the three body problem

Faddeev Equations

L. Hlophe, JL, et al., Phys. Rev. C 96, 064003 (2017)

JL, L. Hlophe, et al., Phys. Rev. C 98, 051001(R) (2018)

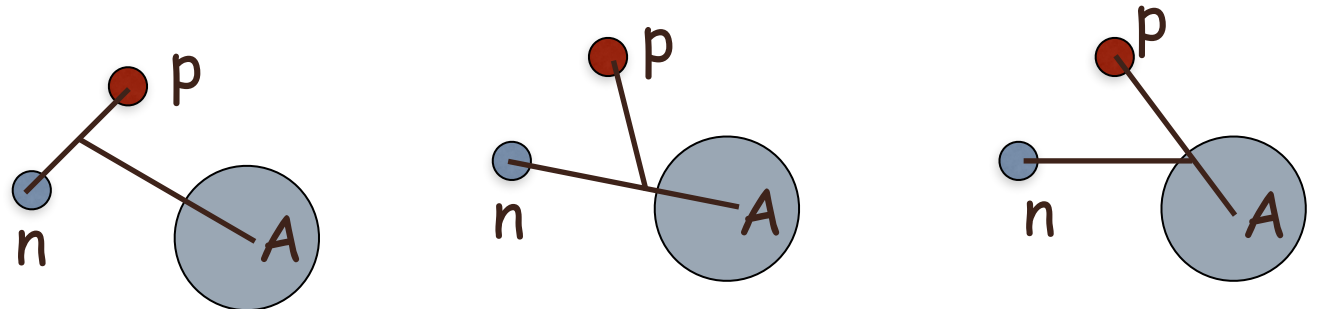
Solving the three body Schrodinger equation: **two-body projectile** with inert cores on inert target (take **d+A** system as an example)

$$E|\Psi\rangle = H|\Psi\rangle \quad \longrightarrow \quad H = H_0 + V_{np} + U_{nA} + U_{pA}$$

Faddeev equation: expand the three body wave function in three Jacobi systems

L. D. Faddeev, Zh. Eksp. Teor. Fiz. 39, 1459 (1960).

$$|\Psi\rangle = |\psi_{np}\rangle + |\psi_{nA}\rangle + |\psi_{pA}\rangle$$



E. O. Alt, P. Grassberger, and W. Sandhas,
Nucl. Phys. B 2, 167(1967).

$$(E - H_0 - V_{np}) |\psi_{np}\rangle = V_{np} (|\psi_{nA}\rangle + |\psi_{pA}\rangle)$$

$$(E - H_0 - U_{nA}) |\psi_{nA}\rangle = U_{nA} (|\psi_{np}\rangle + |\psi_{pA}\rangle)$$

$$(E - H_0 - U_{pA}) |\psi_{pA}\rangle = U_{pA} (|\psi_{np}\rangle + |\psi_{nA}\rangle)$$

Faddeev equations
(coordinate space)

$$U^{ij} = \bar{\delta} G_0^{-1}(E) + \sum_{\sigma} \bar{\delta}_{i\sigma} t^{\sigma}(E) G_0(E) U^{\sigma j}$$

$$t^{\sigma} = v^{\sigma} + v^{\sigma} G_0 t^{\sigma}$$

AGS-equations
(momentum space)

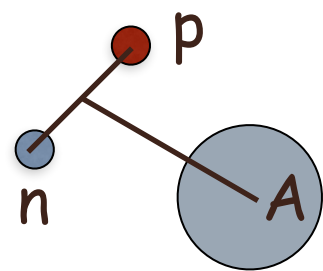
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Faddeev-AGS equations:

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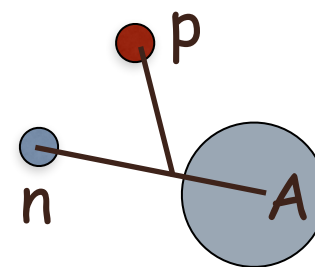
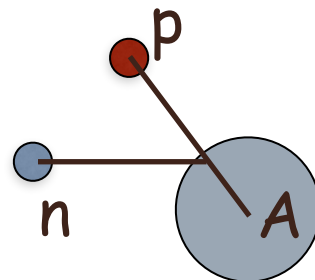
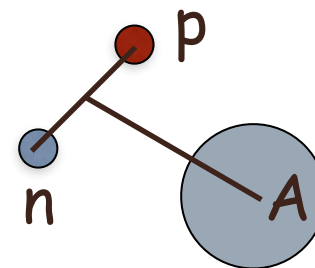
Incoming channel



$U^{11}(d, d)$

$U^{21}(d, n)$

$U^{31}(d, p)$



$$U^{ij} = \bar{\delta}_{ij} G_0^{-1}(E) + \sum_k \bar{\delta}_{ik} t_k G_0(E) U^{kj}$$

$$U^{0j} = G_0^{-1}(E) + \sum_k t_k G_0 U^{kj}$$

two body t-matrix: $t_k = v_k + v_k g_o t_k$

Observables: $\sigma_{i \leftarrow j} \propto |\langle \Phi_i | U^{ij} | \Phi_j \rangle|^2$

separable potential: $V(p, p') = h(p) \lambda h(p')$

Advantages:

- Elastic, transfer and breakup are treated on equal footing
- Easy boundary conditions

Disadvantages: Coulomb potential

- Current implementations (screening) unstable for high Z target

Remedy:

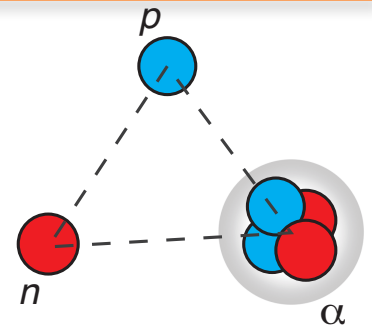
- Use separable two-body potentials

A. Mukhamedzhanov, et al.
Phys.Rev. C86, 034001 (2012).

- Coupled equations in one variable allow full inclusion of Coulomb interaction via reformulation of AGS equation in Coulomb basis

Benchmark separable and non-separable Faddeev-AGS equations

- Take $n+p+\alpha$ three body system as an example
- n - p interaction: CD-Bonn R. Machleidt, Phys. Rev. C 63, 024001 (2001)
- n/p - α interaction: J. Bang potential J. Bang et al., Nucl. Phys. A 405, 126 (1983)
I. J. Thompson et al., Phys. Rev. C 61, 024318 (2000)
- Omit the Coulomb interaction
- EST scheme: $\nu^{EST} = VP(PVP)^{-1}PV$ Ernst et al., Phys.Rev. C9, 1780 (1974)



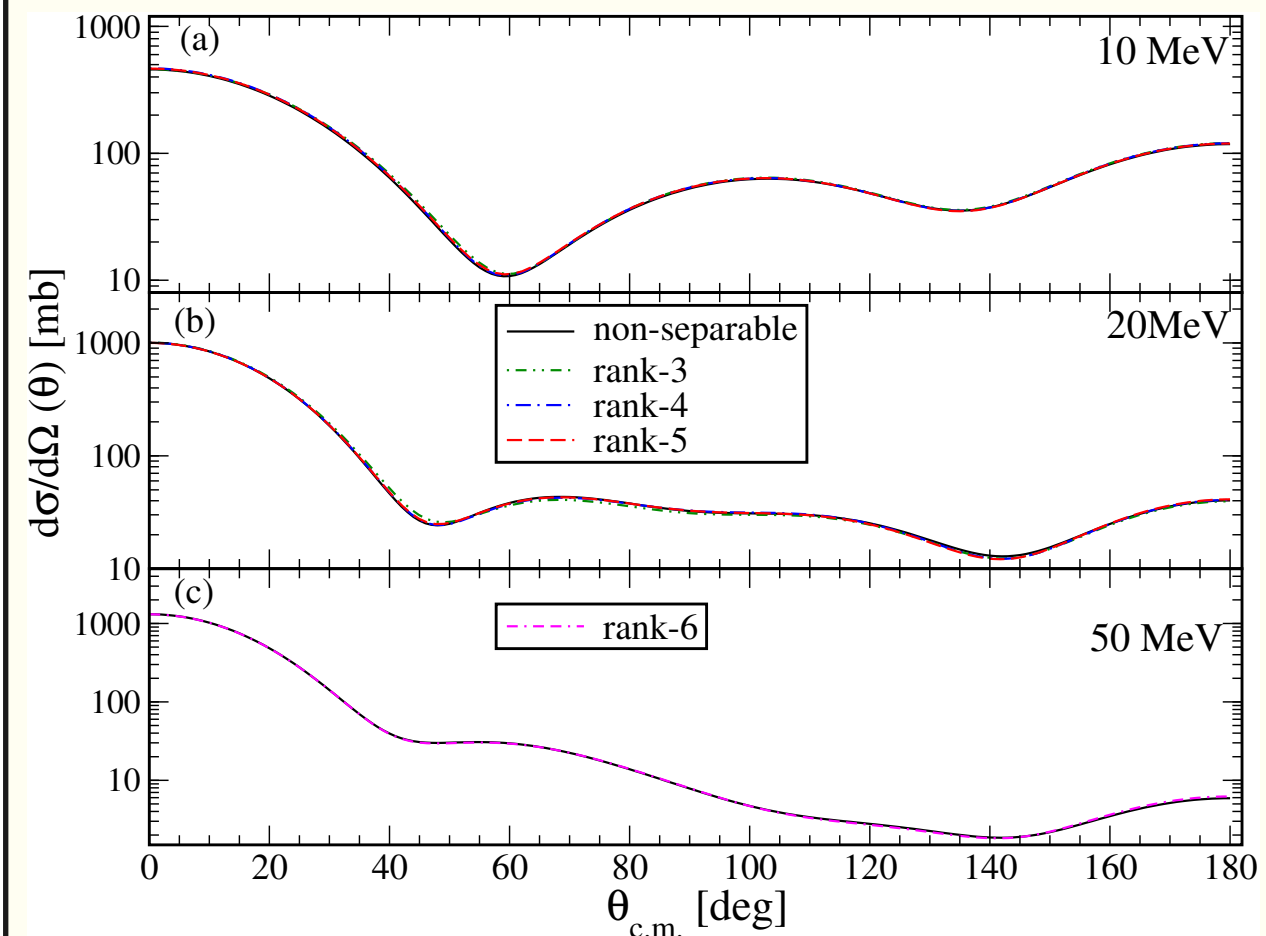
${}^6\text{Li}$ three body bound state

L. Hlophe, JL, et al., Phys. Rev. C 96, 064003 (2017)

CD-Bonn np potential			Bang $n\alpha$ potential		
label	rank	E_3 [MeV]	label	rank	E_{3b} [MeV]
EST5-1	5	-3.7847	EST6-1	6	-3.7856
EST5-2	5	-3.7848	EST6-2	6	-3.7852
EST5-3	5	-3.7855	EST6-3	6	-3.7852
EST6-1	6	-3.7867	EST7-1	7	-3.7868
EST6-2	6	-3.7868	EST7-2	7	-3.7864
EST6-3	6	-3.7871	EST7-3	7	-3.7867
EST7-1	7	-3.7867	EST8-1	8	-3.7870
EST7-2	7	-3.7867	EST8-2	8	-3.7870
EST7-3	7	-3.7867	EST8-3	8	-3.7866
non-separable: -3.787			non-separable: -3.787		

$d+\alpha$ scattering

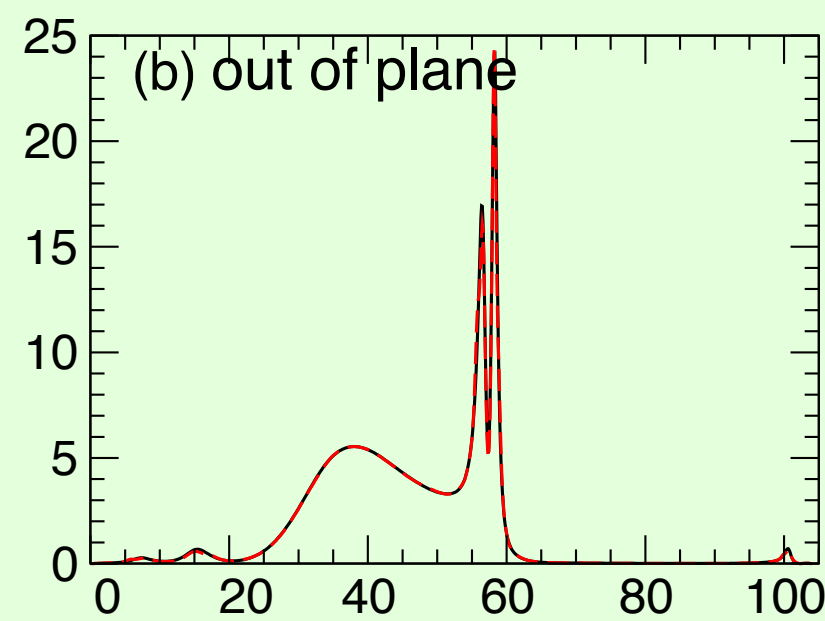
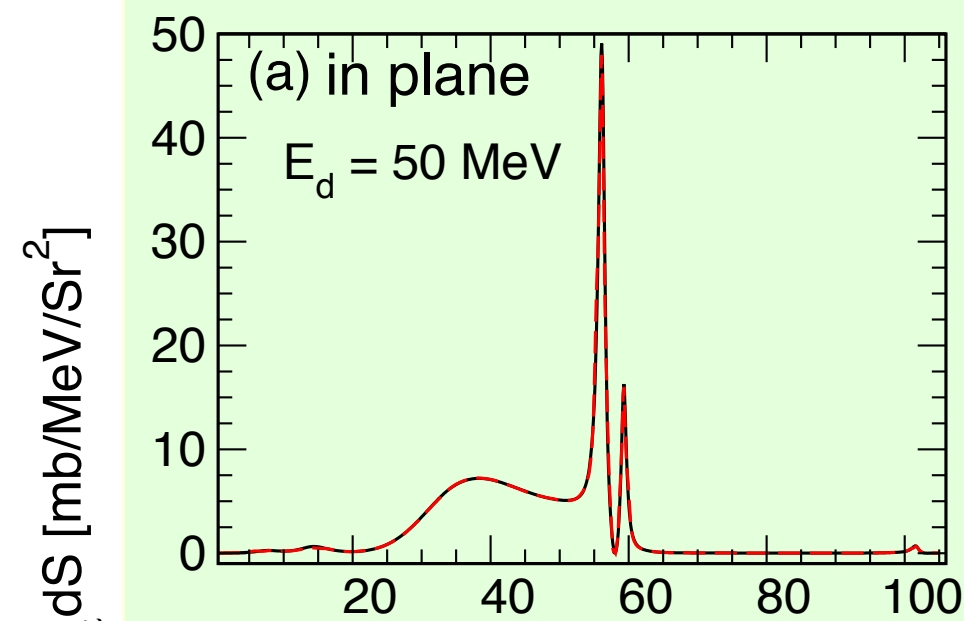
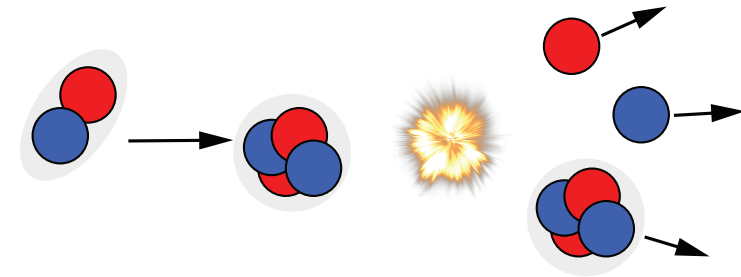
L. Hlophe, JL, et al., in preparation



Benchmark separable and non-separable Faddeev-AGS equations

- Breakup reaction: $d+\alpha \rightarrow n+p+\alpha$

- S-curve for selected angles $dS = \sqrt{dE_p^2 + dE_\alpha^2}$

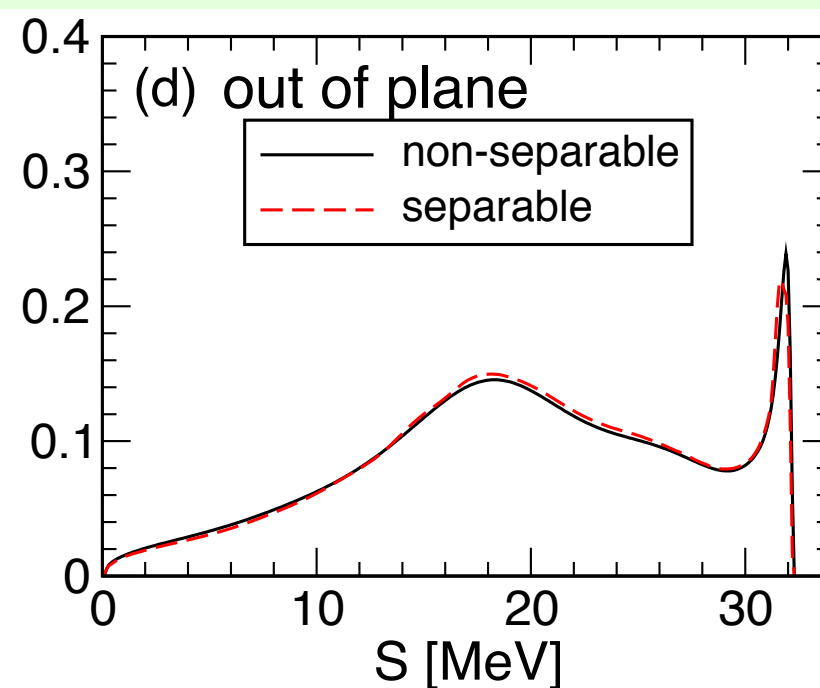
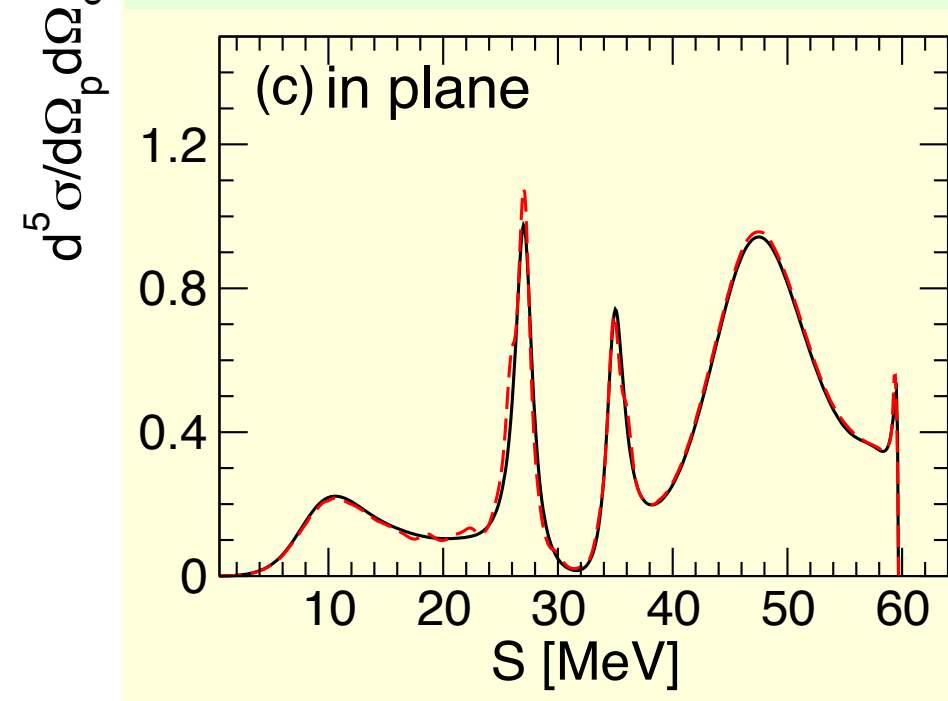


(a) $\theta_\alpha = 14.0^\circ$ $\phi_\alpha = 0^\circ$ $\theta_p = 7.2^\circ$ $\phi_p = 180^\circ$

(b) $\theta_\alpha = 14.0^\circ$ $\phi_\alpha = 0^\circ$ $\theta_p = 7.2^\circ$ $\phi_p = 120^\circ$

(c) $\theta_\alpha = 22.0^\circ$ $\phi_\alpha = 0^\circ$ $\theta_p = 104.4^\circ$ $\phi_p = 180^\circ$

(d) $\theta_\alpha = 22.0^\circ$ $\phi_\alpha = 0^\circ$ $\theta_p = 104.4^\circ$ $\phi_p = 100^\circ$



Separable and non-separable calculations agree very well

Solving the three body problem

N. Austern, M. Yahiro, and M. Kawai Phys. Rev. Lett. 63, 2649 (1989)

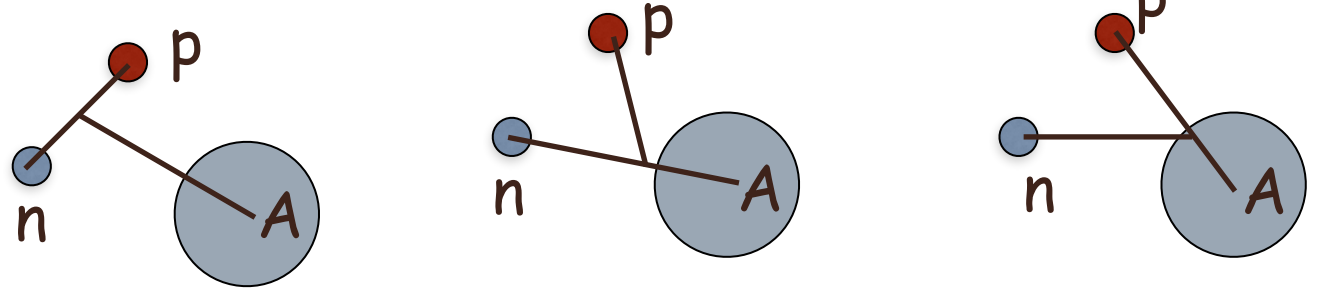
CDCC Equations: Distorted Faddeev Equations

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$$\underline{(E - H_0 - V_{np} - \mathcal{P}(U_{nA} + U_{pA})\mathcal{P}) |\psi_{np}\rangle = V_{np}(|\psi_{nA}\rangle + |\psi_{pA}\rangle)}$$

$$\underline{[(E - H_0 - U_{nA}) |\psi_{nA}\rangle = (U_{nA} - \mathcal{P}U_{nA}\mathcal{P}) |\psi_{np}\rangle + U_{nA} |\psi_{pA}\rangle]}$$

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$$(E - H_0 - U)(|\psi_{pA}\rangle + |\psi_{nA}\rangle) = (U - \mathcal{P}U\mathcal{P}) |\psi_{np}\rangle \quad \text{weak coupling to the first equation}$$

$$\mathcal{P} = \sum_{\alpha b} \int R^2 dR |\phi_{bx}^b R\alpha\rangle \langle \phi_{bx}^b R\alpha| + \sum_{\alpha} \int R^2 dR \int dk |\phi_{bx}^k R\alpha\rangle \langle \phi_{bx}^k R\alpha|$$

Inclusion of the continuum in CC calculations: continuum discretization

Quantum Hamiltonian

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graph TD; A[Quantum Hamiltonian] --> B[Bound states]; A --> C[Unbound states];
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Bound states

- Discrete
- Finite
- Normalizable

Unbound states

- Continuous
- Infinite
- Non-normalizable

Continuum discretization: represent the continuum by a finite set of square-integrable states

True continuum

Non normalizable

Continuous

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Discretized continuum

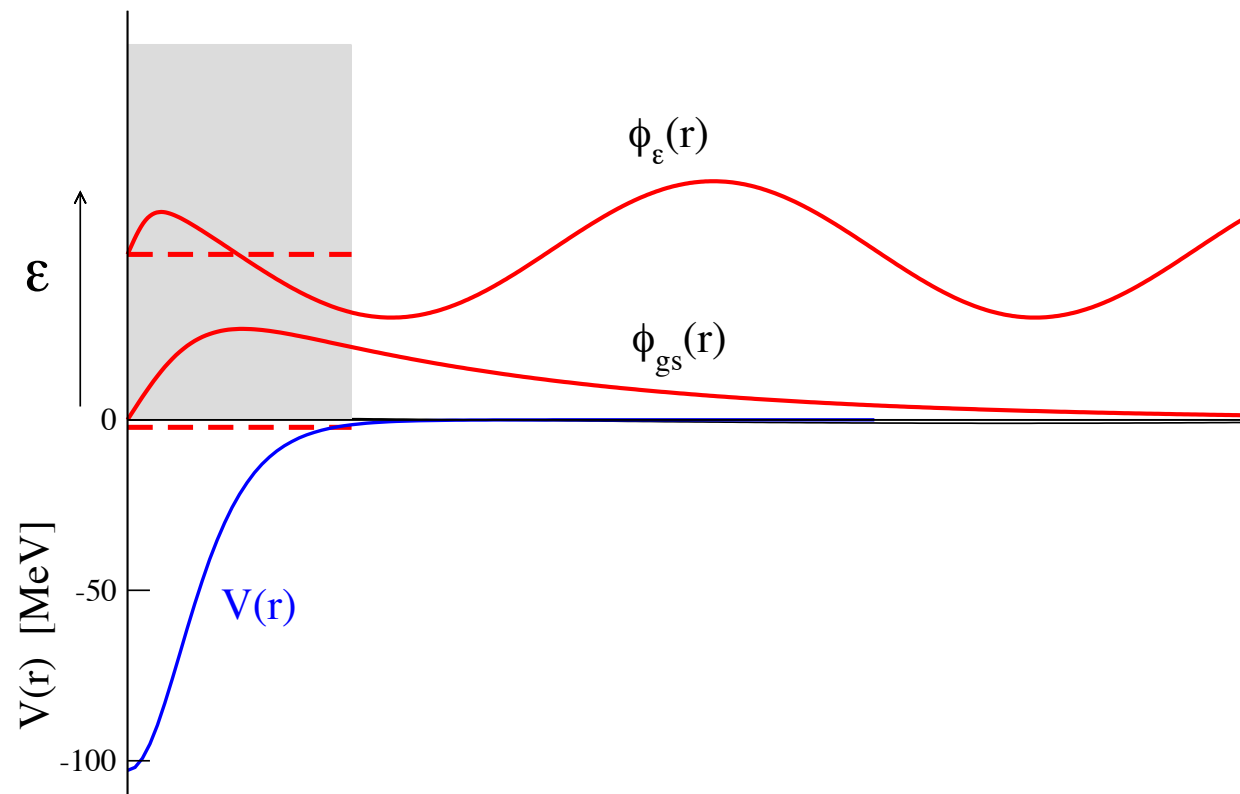
→

Normalizable

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Discrete

Bound versus scattering states



Continuum state:

$$\phi_{k,\ell j}^m(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{u_{k,\ell j}(r)}{r} [Y_{\ell}(\hat{r}) \otimes \chi_s]_{jm}$$

Unbound states are not suitable for CC calculations:

- Continuous (infinite) distribution in energy.
- Non-normalizable: $\langle u_{k,\ell sj}(r)^* | u_{k',\ell sj}(r) \rangle \propto \delta(k - k')$

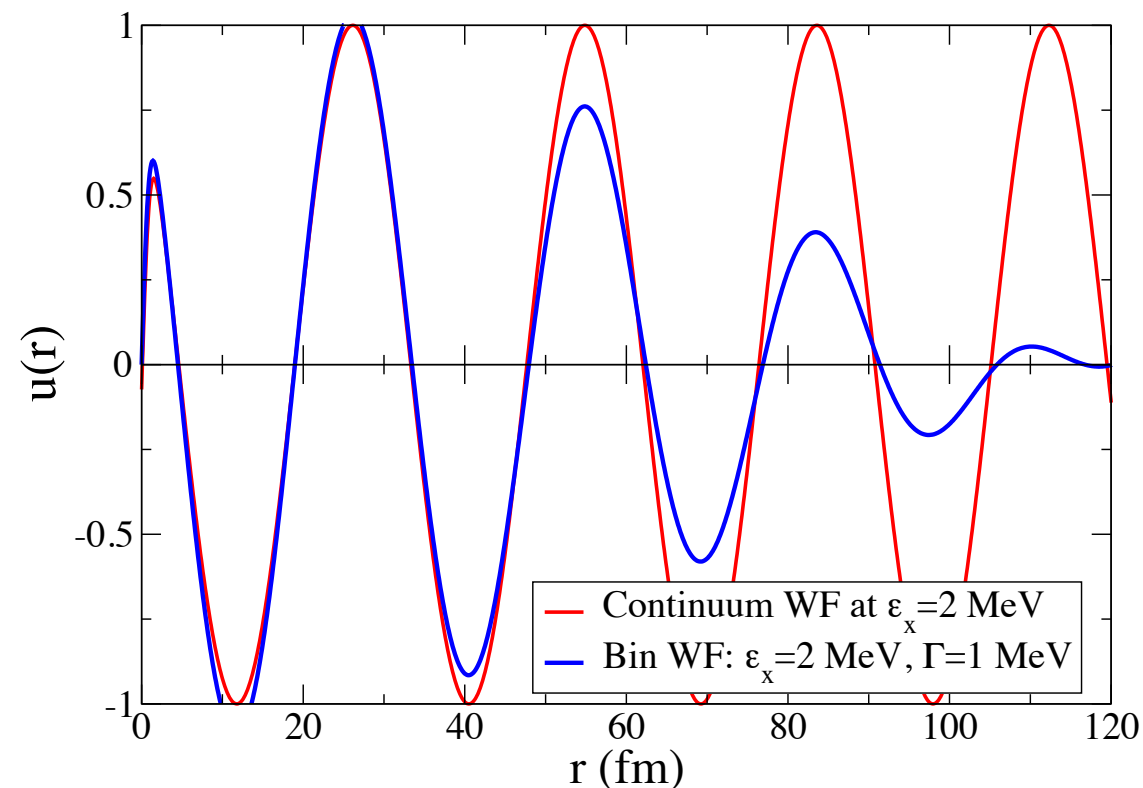
SOLUTION \Rightarrow continuum discretization

CDCC formalism: construction of the bin wave functions ¹⁴

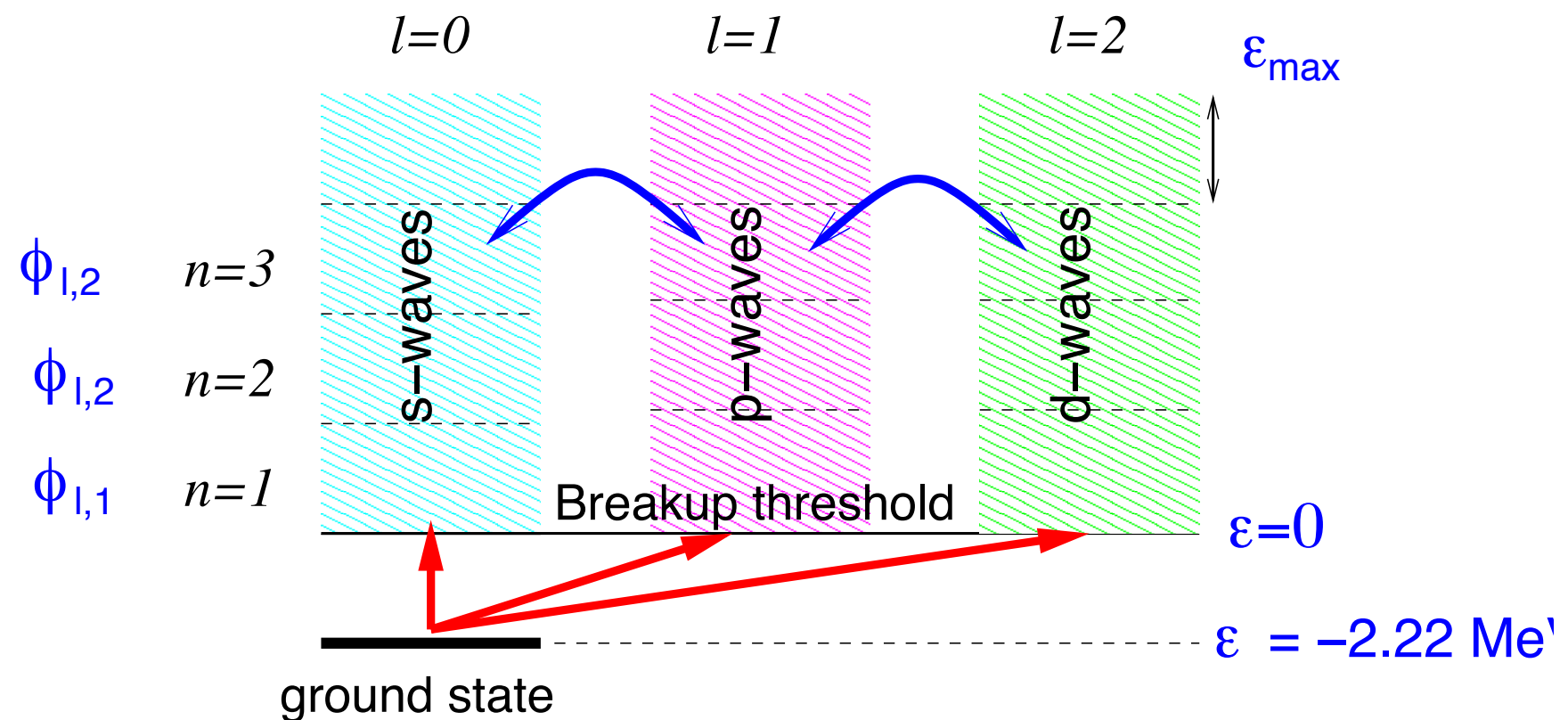
Bin wavefunction:

$$u_{\ell sj,n}(r) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi N}} \int_{k_1}^{k_2} w(k) u_{k,\ell sj}(r) dk$$

- k : linear momentum
- $u_{k,\ell sj}(r)$: scattering states (radial part)
- $w(k)$: weight function



Continuum discretization for deuteron scattering ¹⁵



- ⇒ Select a number of partial waves ($\ell = 0, \dots, \ell_{\text{max}}$).
- ⇒ For each ℓ , set a maximum excitation energy ϵ_{max} .
- ⇒ Divide the interval $\epsilon = 0 - \epsilon_{\text{max}}$ in a set of sub-intervals (*bins*).
- ⇒ For each *bin*, calculate a representative wavefunction.

CDCC equations for deuteron scattering

- Hamiltonian:

$$H = T_R + h_r(\mathbf{r}) + V_{pt}(\mathbf{r}_{pt}) + V_{nt}(\mathbf{r}_{nt})$$

- Model wavefunction:

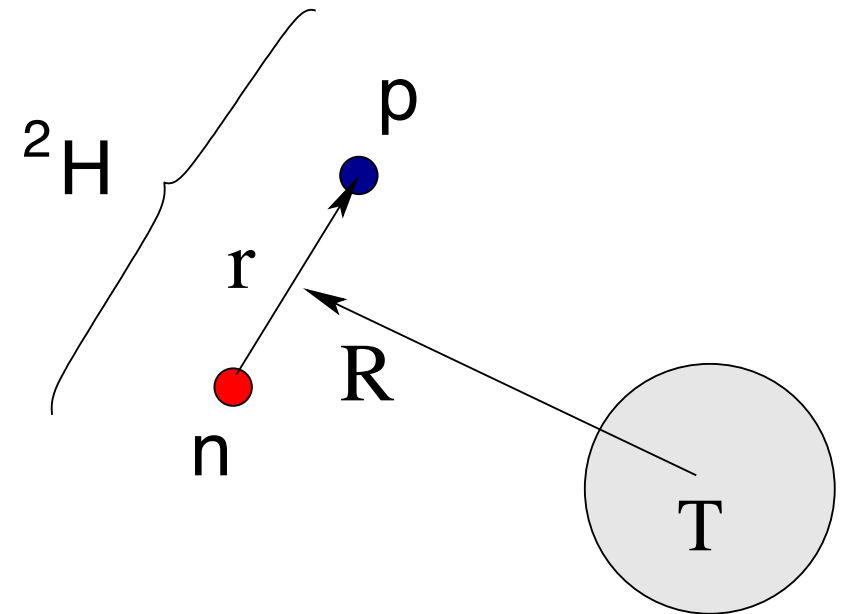
$$\Psi(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{r}) = \phi_{gs}(\mathbf{r})\chi_0(\mathbf{R}) + \sum_{n>0}^N \phi_n(\mathbf{r})\chi_n(\mathbf{R})$$

- Coupled equations: $[H - E]\Psi(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{r}) = 0$

$$[E - \varepsilon_n - T_R - V_{n,n}(\mathbf{R})]\chi_n(\mathbf{R}) = \sum_{n' \neq n} V_{n,n'}(\mathbf{R})\chi_{n'}(\mathbf{R})$$

- Transition potentials:

$$V_{n;n'}(\mathbf{R}) = \int d\mathbf{r} \phi_n(\mathbf{r})^* \left[V_{pt}(\mathbf{R} + \frac{\mathbf{r}}{2}) + V_{nt}(\mathbf{R} - \frac{\mathbf{r}}{2}) \right] \phi_{n'}(\mathbf{r})$$

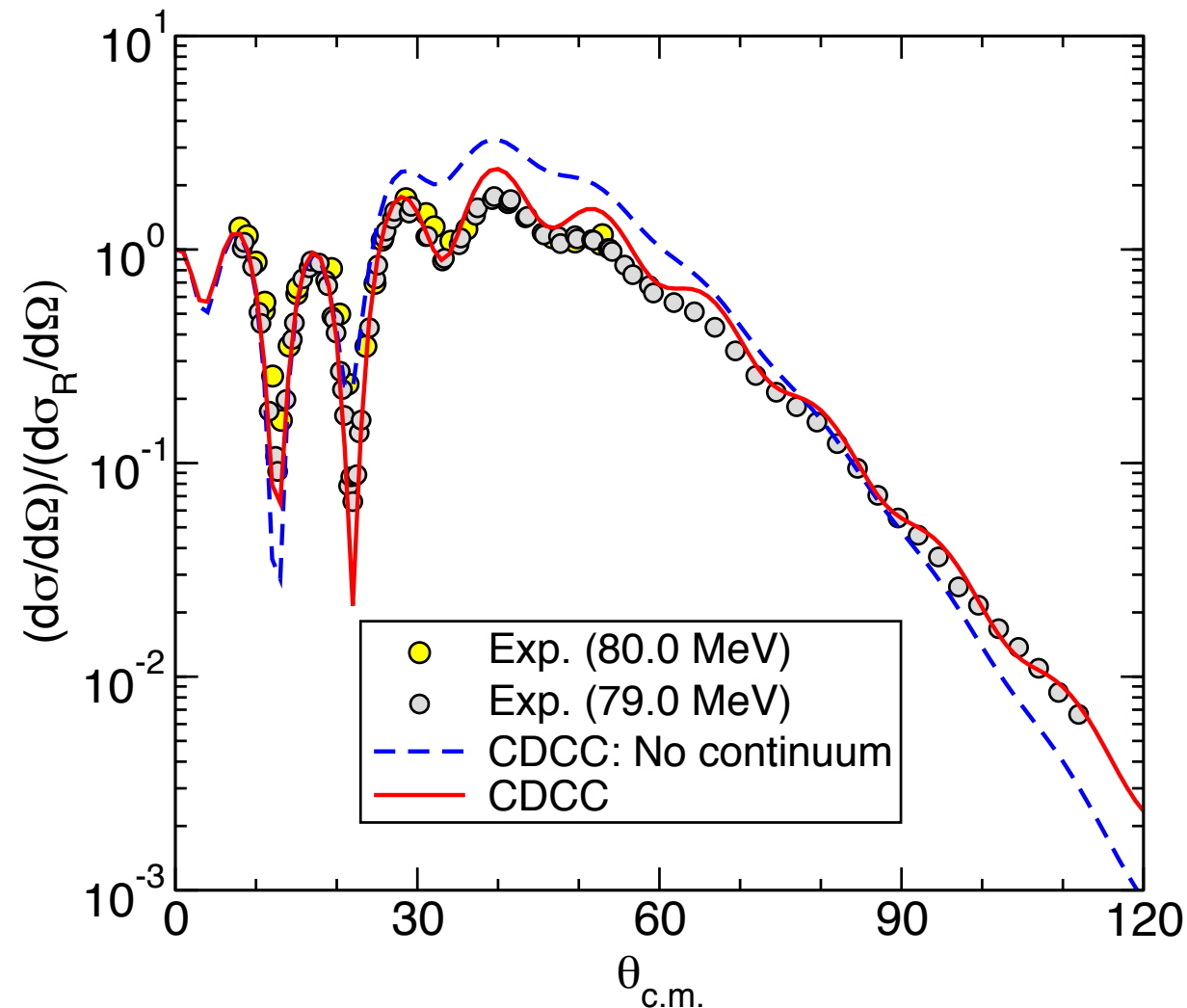


What observables can we study with CDCC¹⁷

- ⇒ Elastic scattering
- ⇒ Breakup angular distribution, as a function of excitation energy:
- ⇒ Breakup energy distribution, as a function of c.m. angle:

☞ From the S -matrices, more complicated breakup observables can be obtained, such as angular/energy distribution of one of the fragments

Application of the CDCC formalism: $d + {}^{58}\text{Ni}$



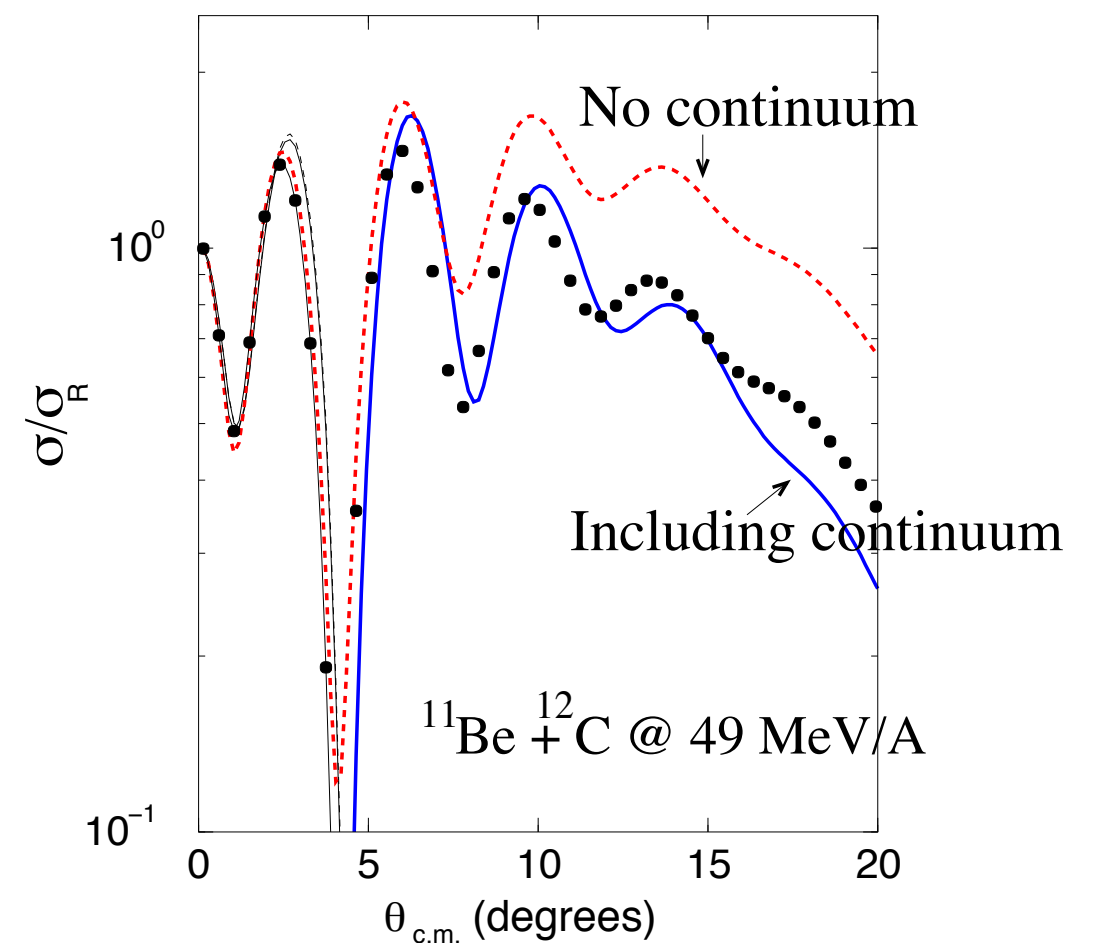
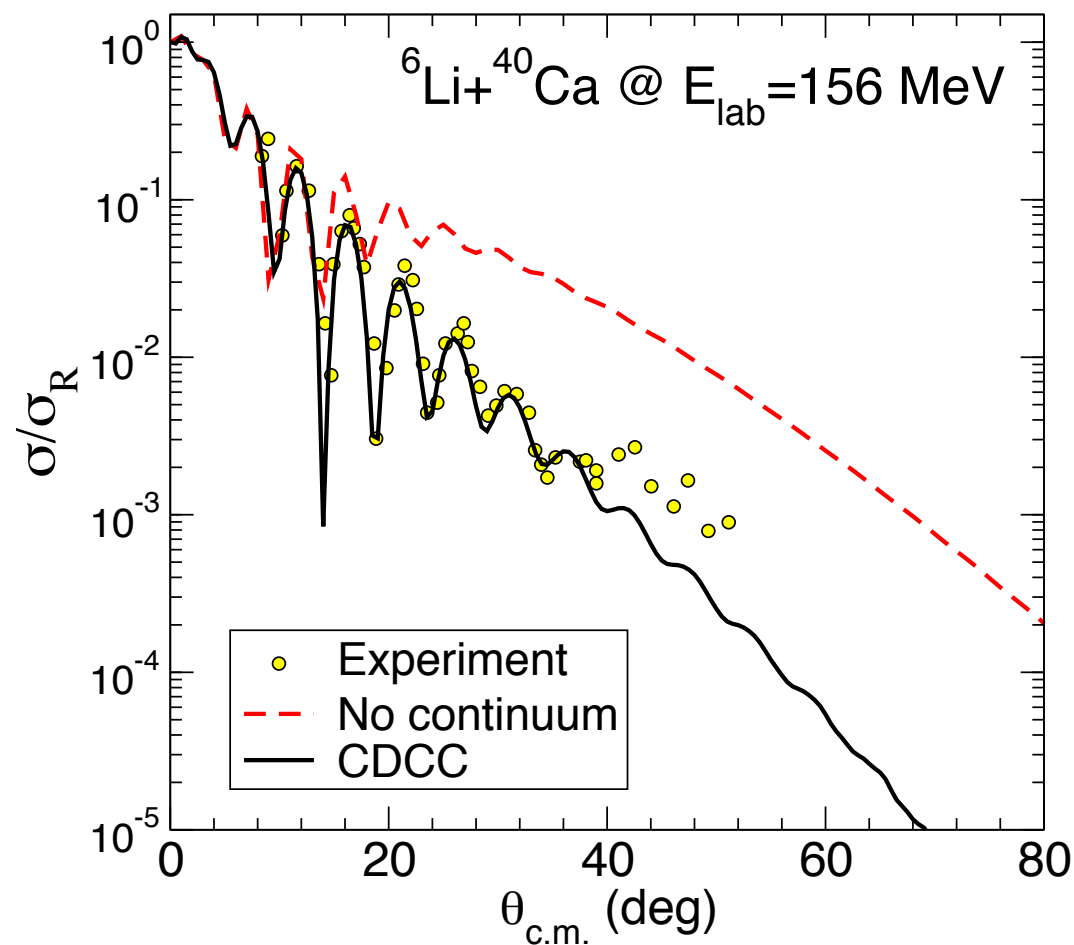
- $\ell = 0, 2$ continuum
- $p + {}^{58}\text{Ni}$ and $n + {}^{58}\text{Ni}$ from Koning-Delaroche OMP.
- $V_{pn}(r) = -72.15 \exp[-(r/1.484)^2]$

☞ *Coupling to breakup channels has a important effect on the reaction dynamics*

Application of the CDCC method: ${}^6\text{Li}$ and ${}^6\text{He}$ scattering 19

👉 The CDCC has been also applied to nuclei with a cluster structure:

- ${}^6\text{Li} = \alpha + d$
- ${}^{11}\text{Be} = {}^{10}\text{Be} + n$



👉 In Fraunhofer scattering the presence of the continuum produces a reduction of the elastic cross section

Compare Faddeev with CDCC

Test case

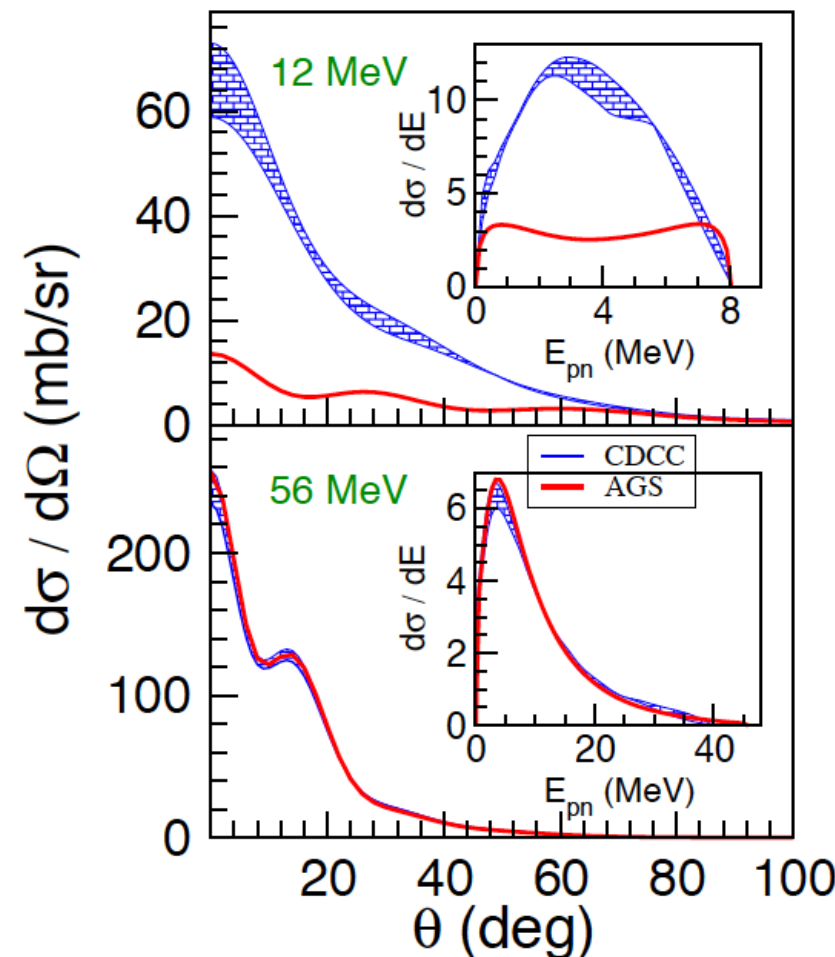
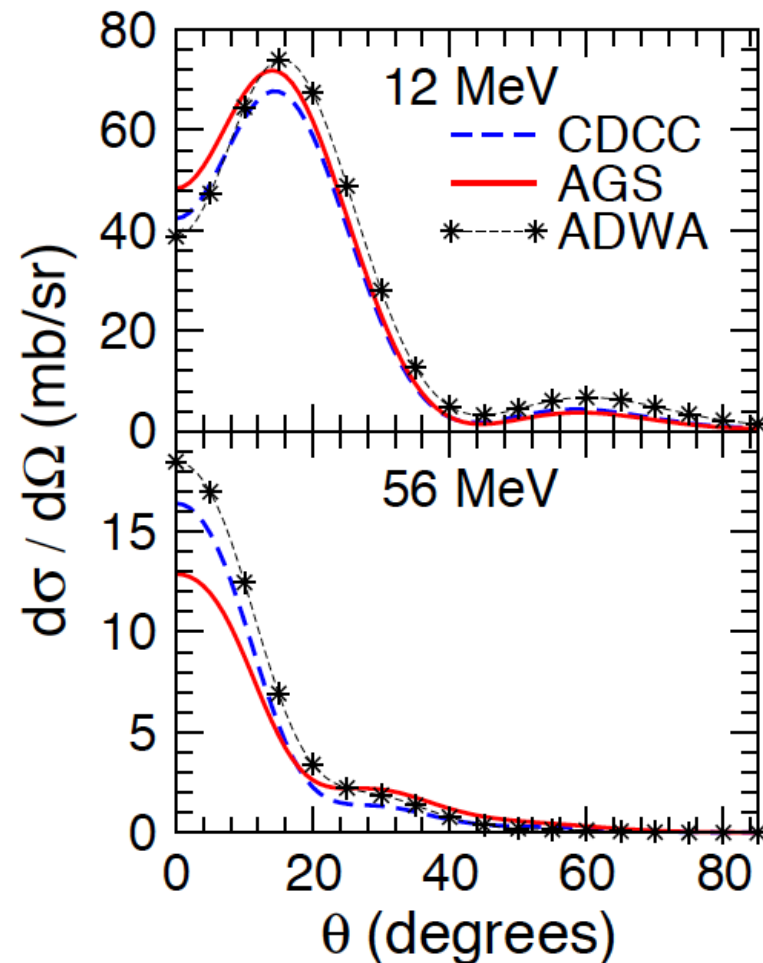
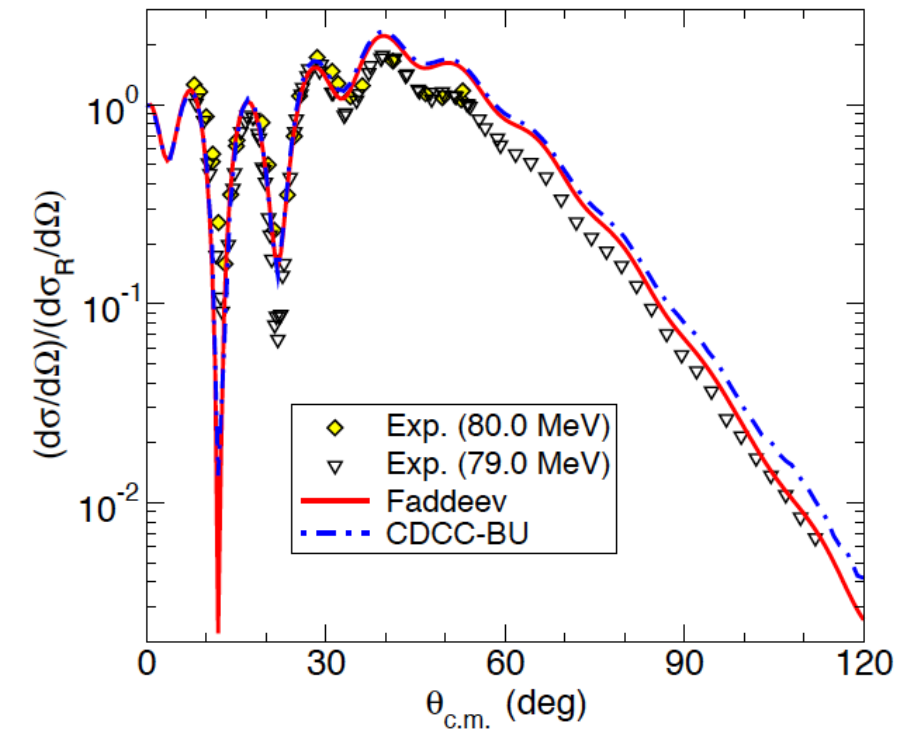
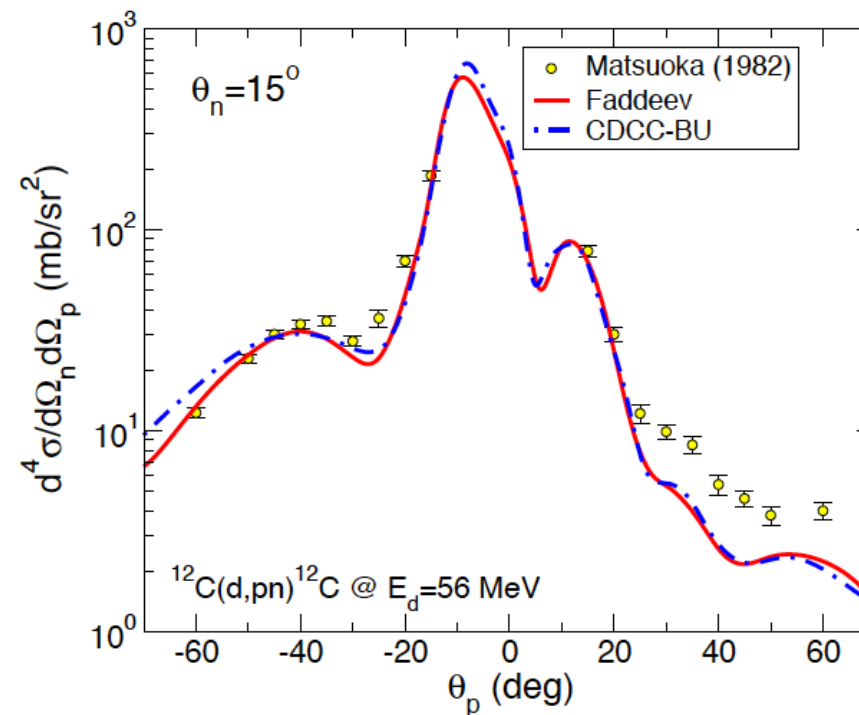
$^{12}\text{C}(d,pn)^{12}\text{C}$

$^{58}\text{Ni}(d,d)^{58}\text{Ni}$

Good agreement in both
elastic scattering and breakup

A. Deltuva et al.,

Phys. Rev. C 76, 064602 (2007)



Test case

$^{12}\text{C}(d,p)^{13}\text{C}$

$^{12}\text{C}(d,pn)^{12}\text{C}$

Disagreement in
transfer and breakup

N. J. Upadhyay, A. Deltuva,

and F. M. Nunes,

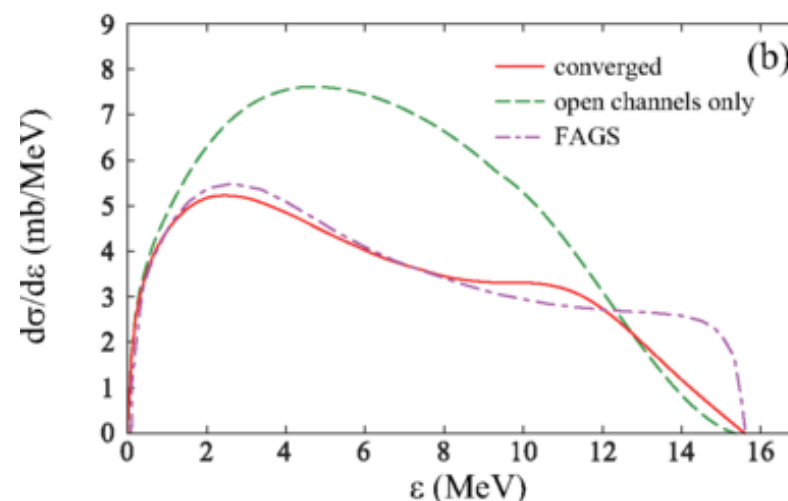
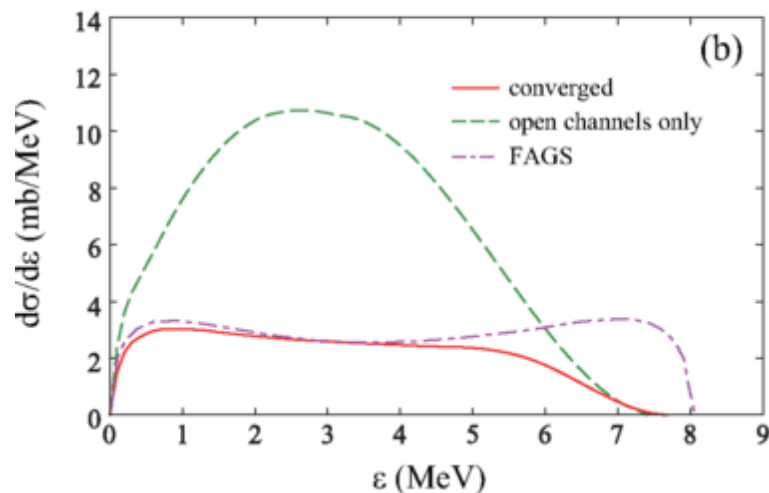
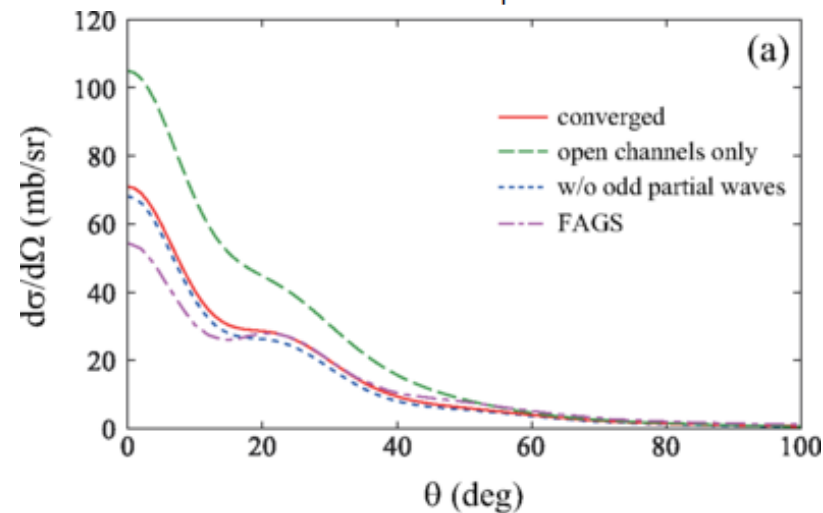
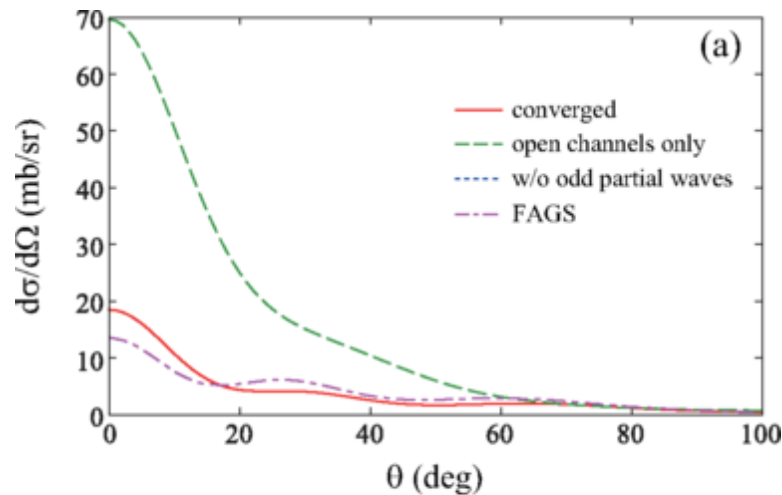
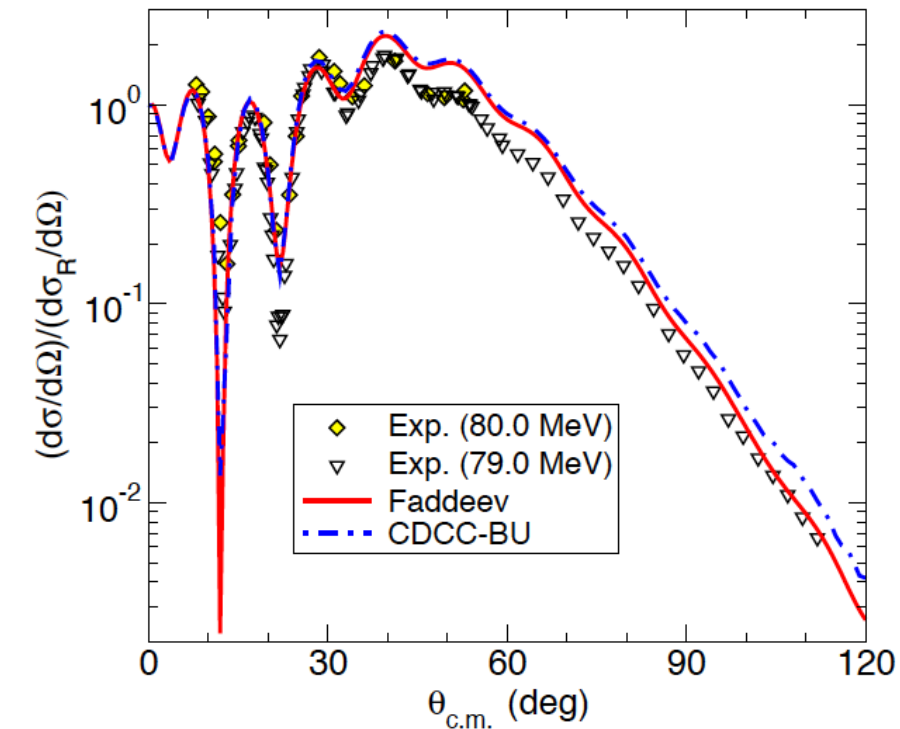
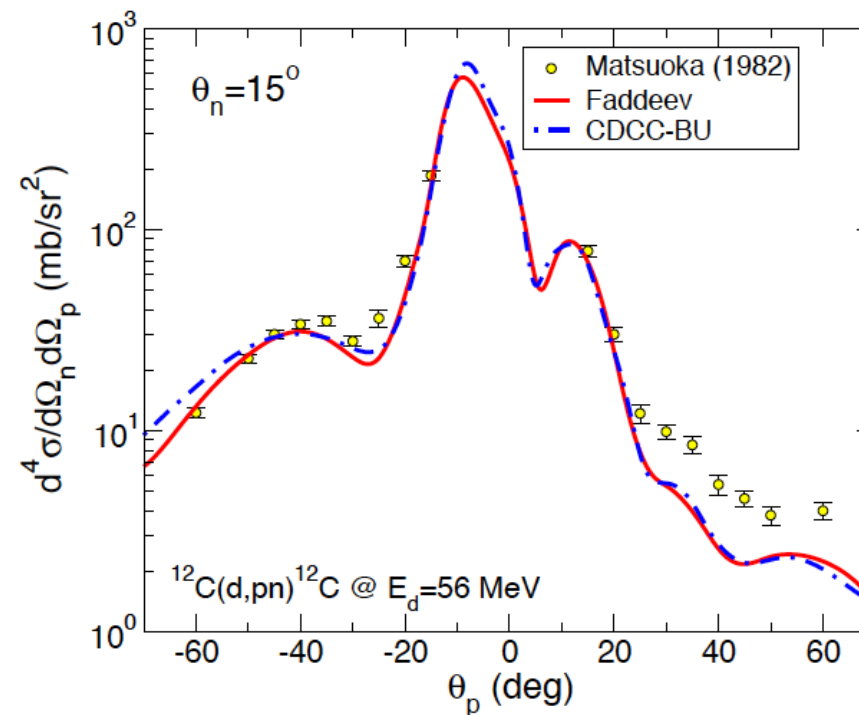
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Test case
 $^{12}\text{C}(d,pn)^{12}\text{C}$
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Test case
 $^{12}\text{C}(d,pn)^{12}\text{C}@12\text{MeV}$
 $^{10}\text{Be}(d,p)^{10}\text{Be}@21\text{MeV}$

Agree with Faddeev when
 including the close channels

K. Ogata and K. Yoshida
 Phys. Rev. C 94, 051603(R) (2016)

