

Analysis of ^{10}Li and ^{11}Li through intermediate-energy (p, pn) and low-energy transfer reactions

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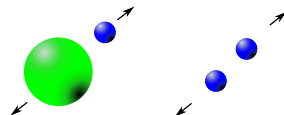
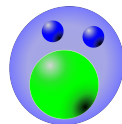
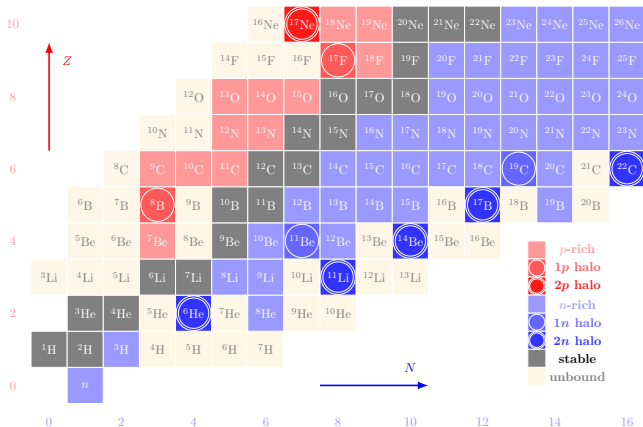
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Borromean nuclei



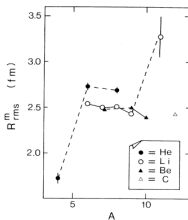
- 3-body system bound, but 2-body subsystems unbound
- Close to neutron (proton) driplines
- Halo structure

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$^{11}\text{Li}, ^{10}\text{Li}$

● Halo structure

I. Tanihata *et al*, PRL **55**, 2676 (1985)

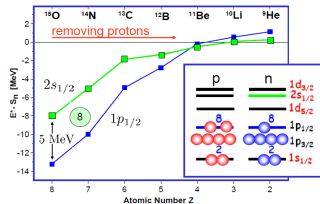
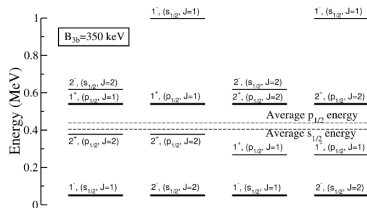
● Unclear Structure

Table 2
Results of various experiments for low-lying states of ^{10}Li (Energies and widths in MeV).

| Year | Reaction | E_r | Γ | ℓ | Ref. |
|------|--|--------------------------------------|------------|-----------|------|
| 1997 | $^{10}\text{Be}(^{12}\text{C}, ^{12}\text{N})$ | 0.24(4) | 0.10(7) | | [10] |
| 1999 | $^9\text{Be}(^9\text{Be}, ^8\text{B})$ | 0.50(6) | 0.40(6) | | [8] |
| 1999 | fragmentation | <0.05 | | s | [9] |
| 2001 | p removal from ^{11}Be | | | g.s. is s | [11] |
| 2003 | $^9\text{Li}(d, p)$ | 0.35(11) or <0.2 plus 0.77(24) | <0.32 | | [7] |
| 2006 | $^9\text{Li}(d, p)$ | ~0 ~0.38 | ~0 | s p | [12] |
| 2015 | 2p removal from ^{12}B | 0.11(4) 0.50(10) | 0.2 0.8 | both p | [13] |

H.T. Fortune PLB **760**, 577 (2016)

● Parity inversion

From: P.G. Hansen and J.A. Tostevin, Ann Rev Nucl Part Sci **53** (2003) 219E. Garrido *et al* NPA **700**, 117 (2002)

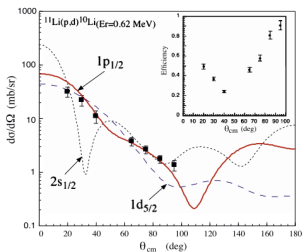
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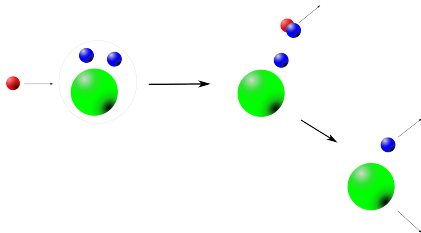


$p(^{11}\text{Li}, d)^{10}\text{Li}$ @ 5.7 MeV/A

- Exp. data
(A. Sanetullaev *et al*
PLB 755, 481 (2016))



- Participant-spectator model



- DWBA formalism

$$\mathcal{T}_{if} = \langle \chi_{d^{10}\text{Li}} \varphi_d \phi_{10\text{Li}}(E_{10\text{Li}}) | V_{pn} | \chi_{p^{11}\text{Li}} \phi_{11\text{Li}} \rangle$$

- Spectator model (^{10}Li not modified by reaction)

$$\mathcal{T}_{if} \sim \langle \chi_{d^{10}\text{Li}} \varphi_d | V_{pn} | \chi_{p^{11}\text{Li}} \varphi_{lj}(E_{10\text{Li}}) \rangle$$

$$\varphi_{lj} = \langle \phi_{10\text{Li}}(E_{10\text{Li}}) | \phi_{11\text{Li}} \rangle$$

Overlap function $\langle \phi_{10\text{Li}}(E_{10\text{Li}}) | \phi_{11\text{Li}} \rangle$

$$|^{11}\text{Li}\rangle$$

$$\langle ^{10}\text{Li}|$$

- Only ground state needed ($B_{3b} = 396\text{keV}$)
- 3-body calculation ($^9\text{Li}+n+n$)
- $V_{n^9\text{Li}}, V_{nn}, V_{nn^9\text{Li}}$
- Expansion in a transformed harmonic oscillator (THO) basis with hyperspherical harmonic functions
- $J^\pi = 0^+$ (w/o ^9Li Spin)
 $J^\pi = 3/2^-$ (w/ ^9Li Spin)

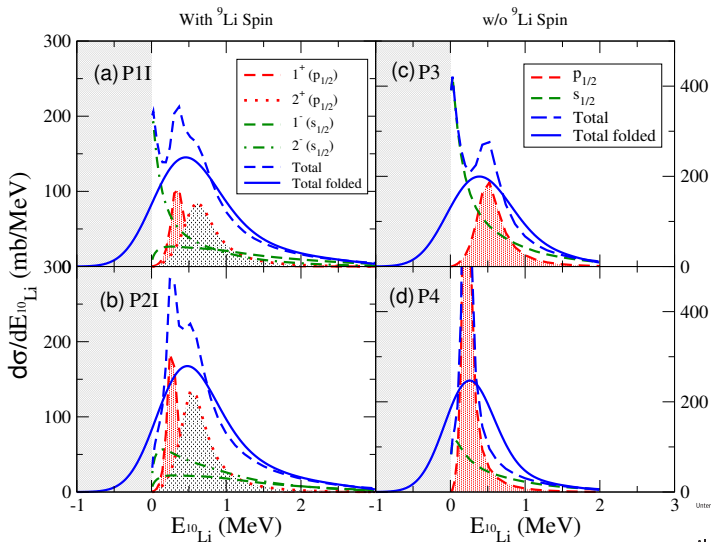
- Unbound (all positive energies possible)
- $E_{10\text{Li}} = 0 - 3$ MeV considered
- Scattering states for $V_{n^9\text{Li}}$
- $J^\pi = 1/2^+, 1/2^-$ (w/o ^9Li Spin)
 $J^\pi = 1^-, 2^-, 1^+, 2^+$ (w/ ^9Li Spin)

| | E_r (MeV) | | a (fm) | | $\%p_{1/2}$ | $\%s_{1/2}$ | r_{mat} (fm) | r_{ch} (fm) |
|-----|-------------|-------|----------|-------|-------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|
| | 1^+ | 2^+ | 1^- | 2^- | | | | |
| P1I | 0.37 | 0.61 | - | -37.9 | 31 | 67 | 3.2 | 2.41 |
| P2I | 0.30 | 0.55 | -1.1 | -6.7 | 44 | 54 | 3.0 | 2.40 |
| P3 | 0.50 | | -29.8 | | 30 | 64 | 3.6 | 2.48 |
| P4 | 0.23 | | -16.2 | | 67 | 26 | 3.3 | 2.43 |

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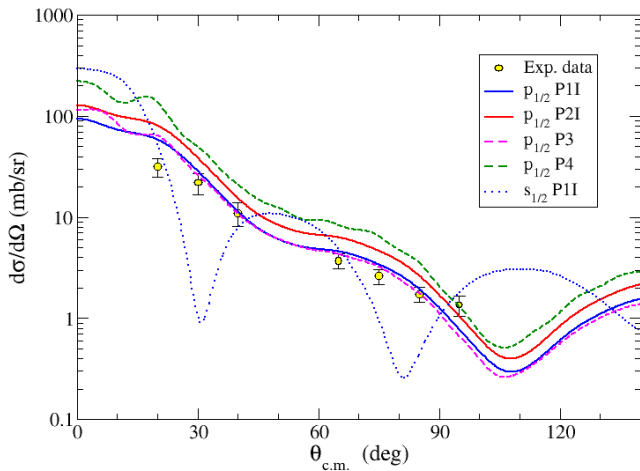
^{10}Li -energy distributions



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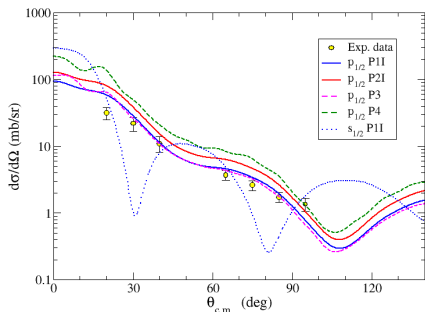
Deuteron angular distribution



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Deuteron angular distribution



- Shape of distribution independent of the model
- Data compatible with p -wave transferred neutron
- Data sensitive to weight of p -wave component
- Mostly insensitive to other characteristics of ^{11}Li wf

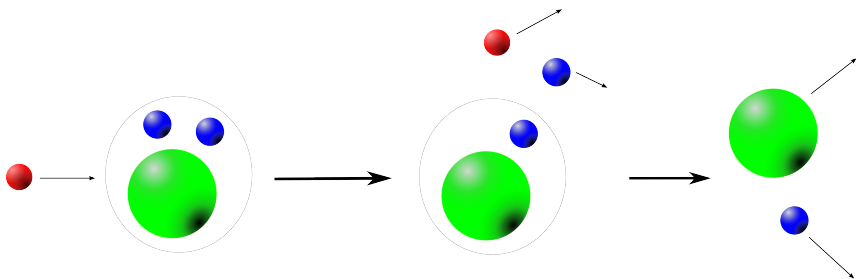
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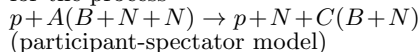


(p, pN) reactions

- A proton and a nucleus collide in such a way that a proton or neutron is removed and the residual nucleus remains.
- High energies ($\sim 200\text{-}400$ MeV) to increase mean free path of nucleon in nucleus.
- It is sometimes referred to as “quasifree” because the main interaction happens between the incoming proton and the extracted nucleon as if it was a free collision.
- This “quasifree” characteristic allows for the use of the participant-spectator model

Reaction formalism: Transfer to Continuum

- Prior representation of the T-matrix for the process



$$T_{if}^{3b} = \langle \Psi_f^{3b(-)} | V_{pN} + U_{pC} - U_{pA} | \varphi_{CA} \chi_{pA}^{(+)} \rangle$$

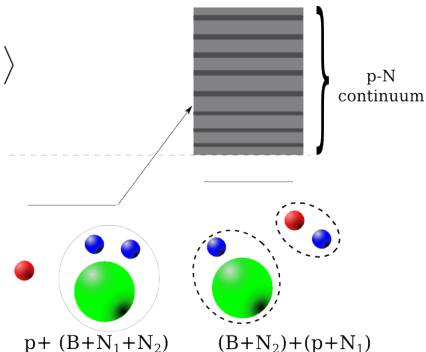
- p-N continuum states discretized in energy bins

Deuteron included for (p, pn)

$$\phi_n^{j,\pi}(k_n, \vec{r}') = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi N}} \int_{k_{n-1}}^{k_n} \phi_n^{j,\pi}(k, \vec{r}') dk$$

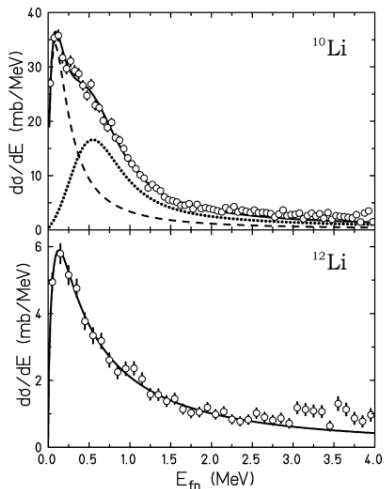
- 3-body final state wavefunction expanded in proton-nucleon states

$$\Psi_f^{3b(-)} \approx \sum_{n,j,\pi} \phi_n^{j,\pi}(k_n, \vec{r}') \chi_{n,j,\pi}^{(-)}(K_{pn}^{\vec{r}'}, \vec{R}')$$



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$p(^{11}\text{Li},pn)^{10}\text{Li}$ @ 280 MeV/A

| | | | | |
|------------|--------------------------|----------|-------------------|------------------------|
| a | $-22.4(4.8)$ fm | E_r | $0.566(14)$ MeV | H target |
| ϵ | $0.352(22)$ MeV | Γ | $0.548(30)$ MeV | |
| a | -30^{+12}_{-31} fm | E_r | $0.510(44)$ MeV | C target [5] |
| ϵ | 0.3 MeV | Γ | $0.54(16)$ MeV | |
| a | $-24 \leq a \leq -13$ fm | E_r | ≈ 0.4 MeV | $^9\text{Li}(d,p)$ [4] |
| ϵ | not given | Γ | ≈ 0.2 MeV | |

- Obtained through fitting
- No prediction of absolute cross section
- Relative weight of s and p weight cannot be known
- Distorsion of distribution due to reaction mechanism?

Y. Aksytina *et al*, PLB 666, 430 (2008)

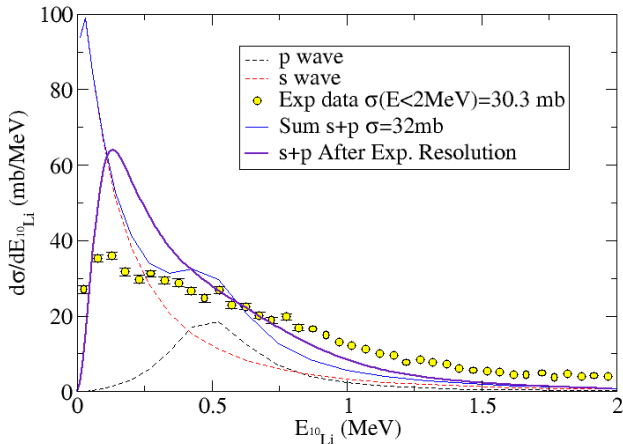
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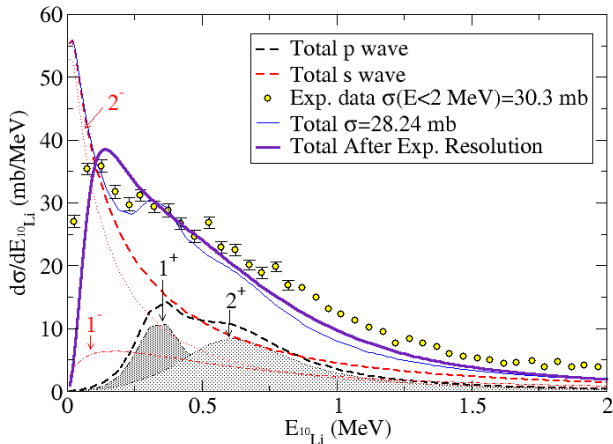
Transfer to the Continuum calculations

- No ^9Li Spin model: P3



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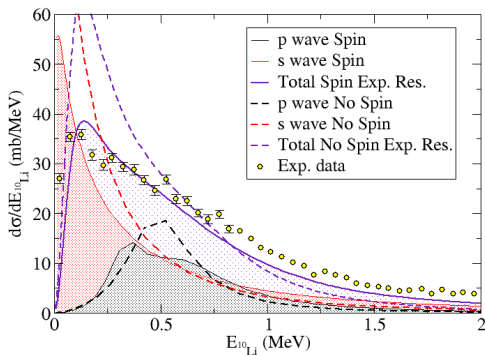
- ^9Li Spin model: P1I



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Results of calculation

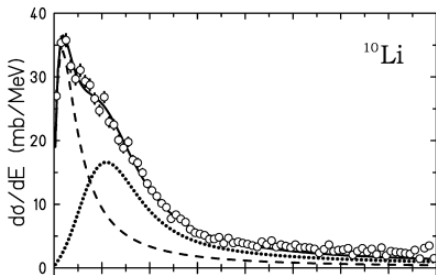


- The two potentials best agreeing with $p(^{11}\text{Li},d)^{10}\text{Li}$ are presented
- $p(^{11}\text{Li},pn)^{10}\text{Li}$ gives a better agreement with PII
- Main difference is the splitting of the virtual state
- Experimental resolution smoothes out distribution, hiding features

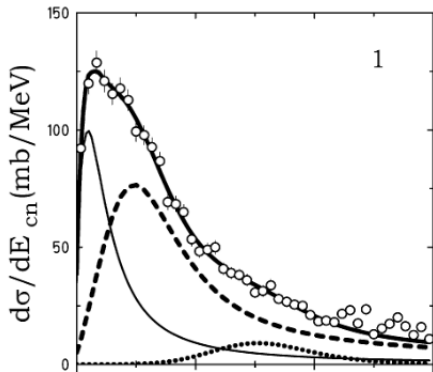
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Low-energy d -wave? $^{11}\text{Li}(p, pn)^{10}\text{Li}$ Y. Aksyutina *et al*, PLB **666**, 430 (2008)

- Is there a d -wave resonance at ~ 1.5 MeV?

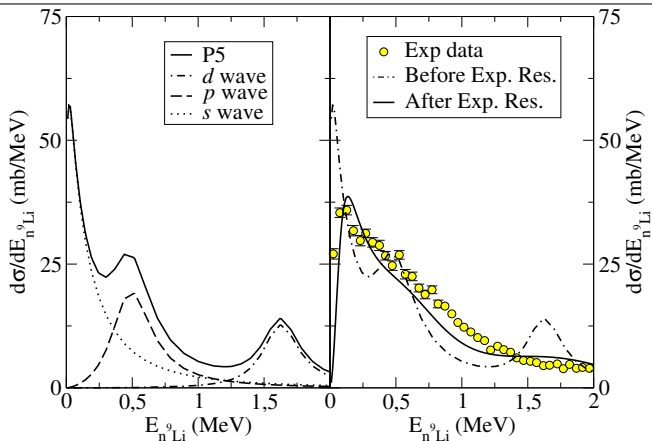
 $^{11}\text{Li}(C, X)^{10}\text{Li}$ H. Simon *et al*, NPA **791**, 267 (2007)

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$^{11}\text{Li}(p, pn)^{10}\text{Li}^*$: $I_{9\text{Li}} = 0 + d$ wave

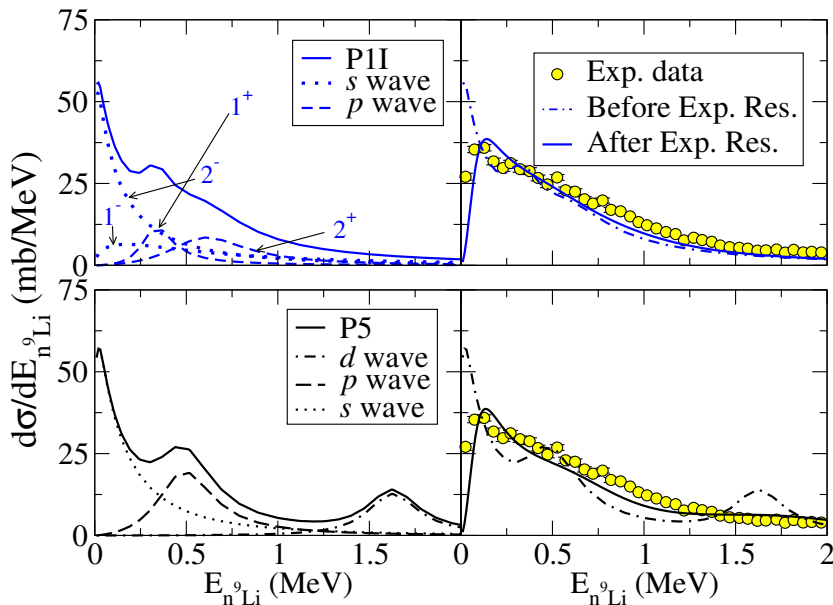
| | E_p (MeV) | a (fm) | E_d (MeV) | % $p_{1/2}$ | % $s_{1/2}$ | % $d_{5/2}$ | r_{mat} (fm) | r_{ch} (fm) |
|----|-------------|----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|
| P5 | 0.50 | -29.8 | 1.5 | 35 | 39 | 23 | 3.2 | 2.42 |

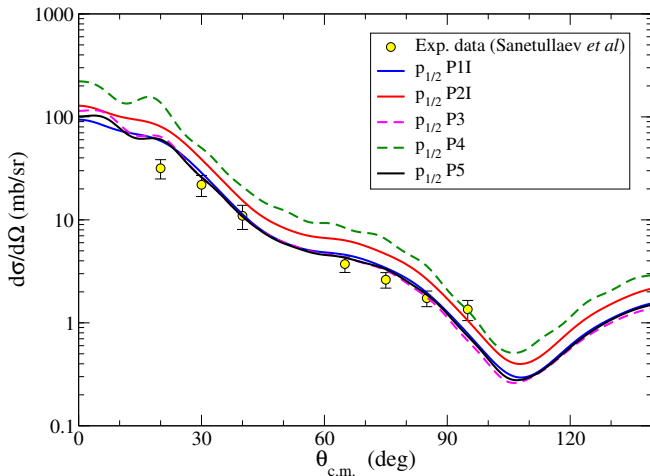


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$^{11}\text{Li}(p, pn)^{10}\text{Li}^*$: d -wave?

$^{11}\text{Li}(p, d)^{10}\text{Li}^*$: d -wave?

- Are there other reactions to discern between these two models?

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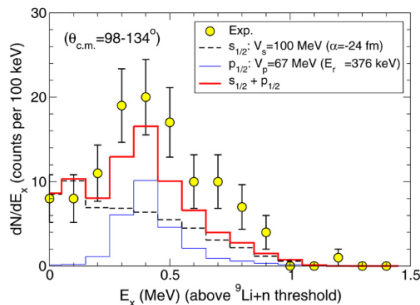
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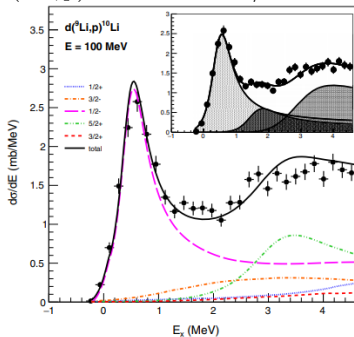


$^9\text{Li}(d, p)^{10}\text{Li}$

- The explored spectrum is no longer limited by $\langle ^{11}\text{Li}(\text{g.s.}) | ^{10}\text{Li} \rangle$, instead $\langle ^9\text{Li}(\text{g.s.}) | ^{10}\text{Li} \rangle$

 $d(^9\text{Li}, p)^{10}\text{Li}$ at 2.4 MeV/AH.B. Jeppesen *et al*, PLB **642**, 449 (2006)

- Is there a virtual state in ^{10}Li ?
- Why do the spectra look so different?

 $d(^9\text{Li}, p)^{10}\text{Li}$ at 11 MeV/AM. Cavallaro *et al*, PRL **118**, 012701 (2017)

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Transfer to Continuum, slightly different

- Prior representation of the T-matrix for the process $d + B \rightarrow p + A(N + B)$ (participant-spectator model)

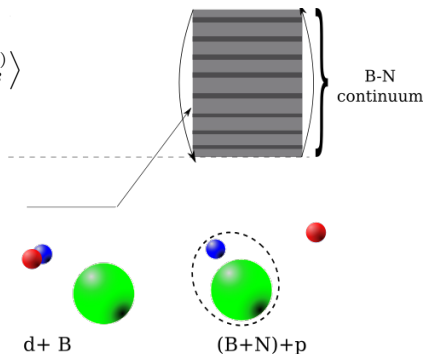
$$\mathcal{T}_{if}^{3b} = \langle \Psi_f^{3b(-)} | V_{NB} + U_{pB} - U_{dB} | \varphi_{AB} \chi_{dB}^{(+)} \rangle$$

- N-B continuum states discretized in energy bins and allowed to couple

$$\phi_n^{j,\pi}(k_n, \vec{r}') = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi N}} \int_{k_{n-1}}^{k_n} \phi_n^{j,\pi}(k, \vec{r}') dk$$

- 3-body final state wavefunction expanded in neutron- ${}^9\text{Li}$ states

$$\Psi_f^{3b(-)} \approx \sum_{n,j,\pi} \phi_n^{j,\pi}(k_n, \vec{r}') \chi_{n,j,\pi}^{(-)}(K_{NB}', \vec{R}')$$

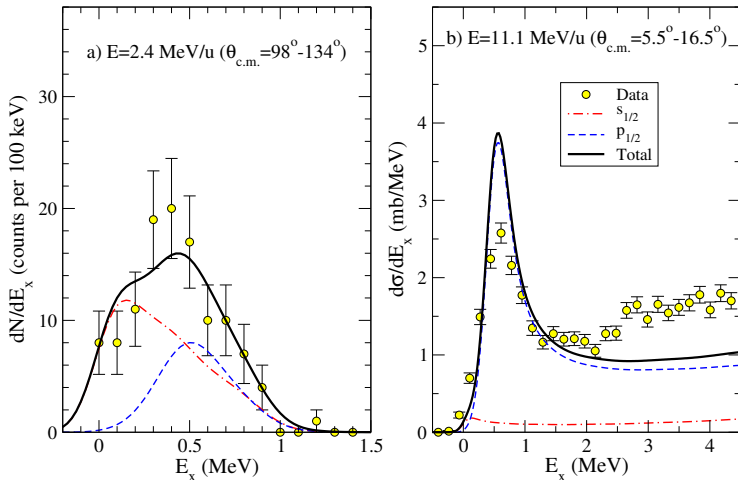


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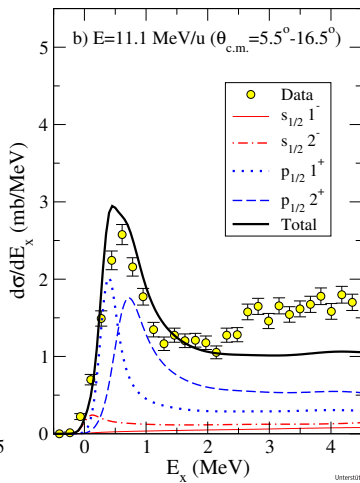
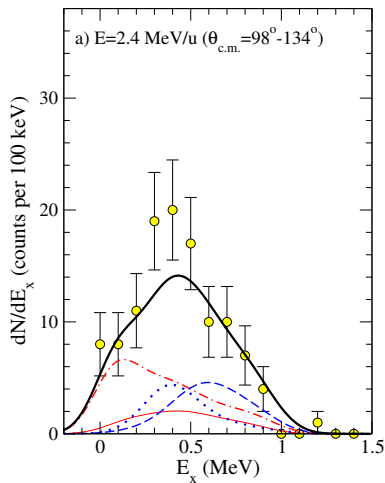


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P3: warmup

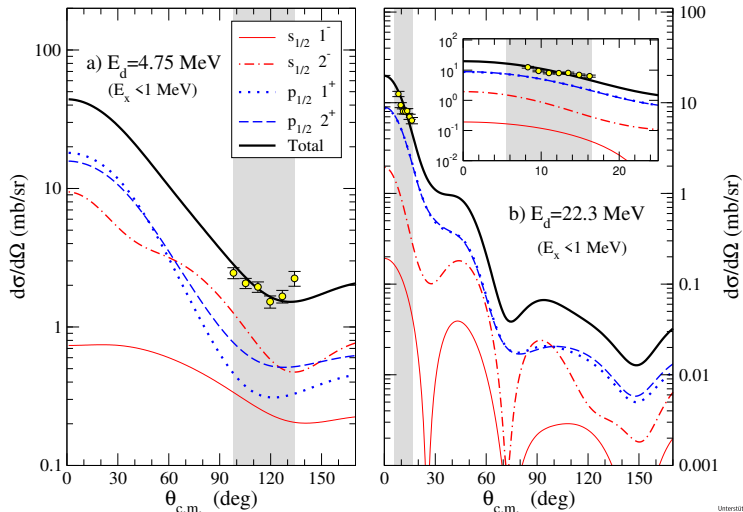


- At 2.4 MeV/A, the maximum energy is too low to explore the spectrum over ~ 1 MeV, we will not get the d -wave resonance from there



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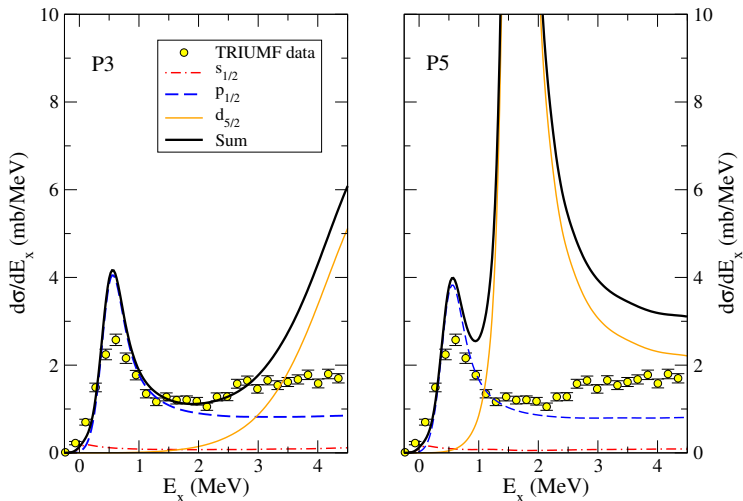
Different spectra: Angular ranges



- Different angular ranges emphasize different components

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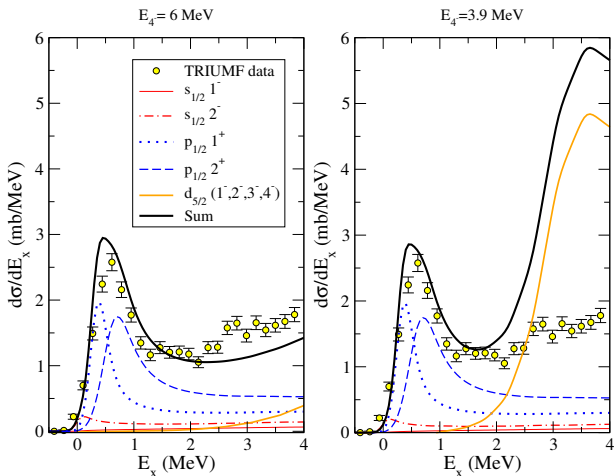
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P3 vs P5: Low-energy d -wave resonance?

- Strong coupling to d -wave states, this rules out a defined low-energy resonance (it could be fragmented)

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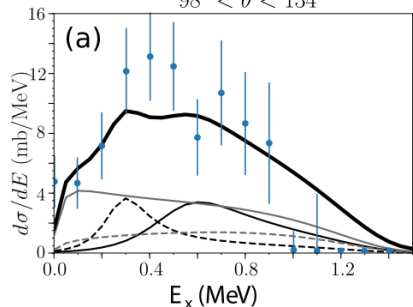
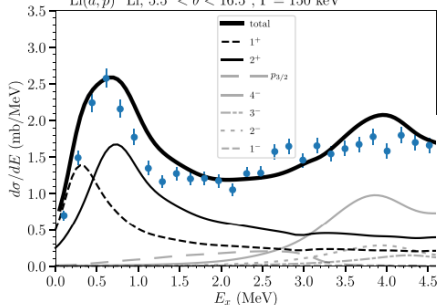
P1I: Ambiguities in the $l = 2$ contribution

- $(1^-, 2^-, 3^-, 4^-)$ multiplet, too many free parameters to adjust phenomenologically, and too few data.

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NFT calculations

 $d({}^9\text{Li}, p){}^{10}\text{Li}$ at 2.4 MeV/A $98^\circ < \theta < 134^\circ$  $d({}^9\text{Li}, p){}^{10}\text{Li}$ at 11 MeV/A ${}^9\text{Li}(d, p){}^{10}\text{Li}$, $5.5^\circ < \theta < 16.5^\circ$, $\Gamma = 150$ keVF. Barranco *et al*, PRC **101**, 031305(R) (2020)

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Conclusions

- A method to obtain $\langle C + N | C + N + N \rangle$ overlaps for Borromean nuclei from 3-body structure calculations has been developed and applied to ^{11}Li .
- These overlaps can be used for various reactions, as long as they verify the participant-spectator model for the components of the Borromean nucleus
- The method has been applied for the reactions $p(^{11}\text{Li}, d)^{10}\text{Li}$ at 5.7 MeV/A, $p(^{11}\text{Li}, pn)^{10}\text{Li}$ at 280 MeV/A, and $^9\text{Li}(d, p)^{10}\text{Li}$ at 2.4 and 11.1 MeV/A obtaining remarkable agreement for all reactions, using the same n - ^9Li interaction.
- The (p, d) transfer reaction is found to be sensitive to the angular momentum and spectroscopic factor of the transferred nucleon mostly.
- The (p, pn) nucleon removal reaction seems to favour a description including the spin of ^9Li and splitting of the virtual state and resonance or the inclusion of low-energy d -wave resonance
- The $^9\text{Li}(d, p)^{10}\text{Li}$ transfer rejects low-energy d -wave resonance, but the d -wave spectrum is still not well understood (^{10}Li always laughs last).

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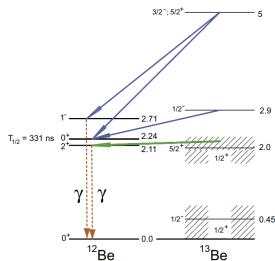
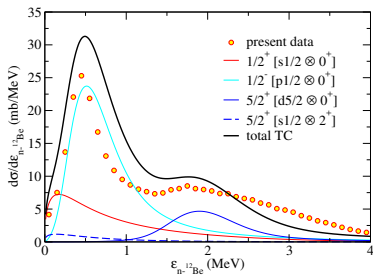
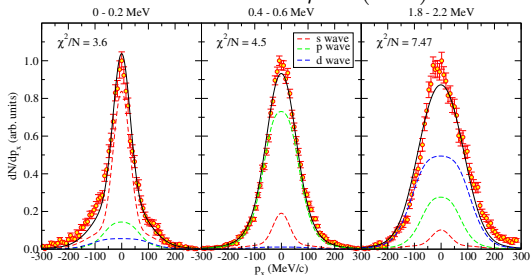
$^{14}\text{Be}(p, pn)^{13}\text{Be}^*$, A. Corsi *et al*, PLB **797**, 134843 (2019)


Fig. from Y. Aksyutina *et al*, PRC **87**, 064316 (2013)



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