

# Nuclear Reaction Theory: concepts and applications - Part II

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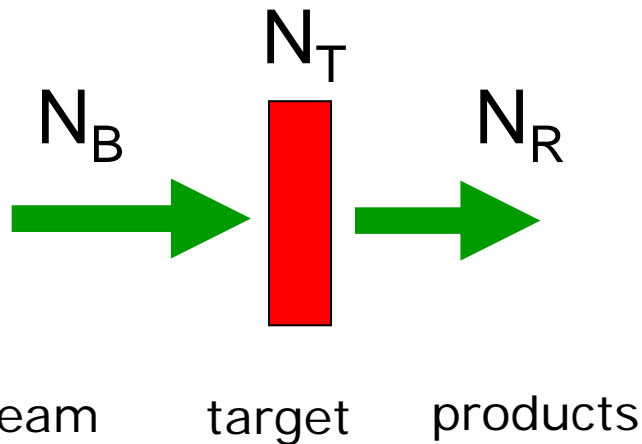
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# Reactions: rarest beams - 'few' nuclei per second

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- Fast exotic beams allow for
  - thick secondary targets
  - event-by-event identification
  - clean product selection
  - nevertheless .....

- $N_R = s \times N_T \times N_B$ 
  - $s$  cross section
  - $N_T$  atoms in target
  - $N_B$  beam rate
  - $N_R$  reaction rate

- Example
  - $s = 100$  millibarn
  - $N_T = 10^{21}$
  - $N_B = 3$  Hz
  - $N_R = 26/\text{day}$   
 $= 3 \times 10^{-4}$  Hz

# Point particles: partial wave S-matrix

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## Scattering states

$$E_{cm} > 0 \quad k = \sqrt{\frac{2\mu E_{cm}}{\hbar^2}}$$

$$\left( \frac{d^2}{dr^2} - \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{r^2} - \frac{2\mu}{\hbar^2} U_{\ell j}(r) + k^2 \right) u_{k\ell j}(r) = 0$$

and beyond the range of the nuclear forces, then

$$\left( \frac{d^2}{dr^2} - \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{r^2} - \frac{2\eta k}{r} + k^2 \right) u_{k\ell j}(r) = 0, \quad \eta = \frac{\mu Z_c Z_v e^2}{\hbar k}$$

$F_\ell(\eta, kr)$ ,  $G_\ell(\eta, kr)$  regular and irregular Coulomb functions

$$\begin{aligned} u_{k\ell j}(r) &\rightarrow e^{i\delta_{\ell j}} [\cos \delta_{\ell j} F_\ell(\eta, kr) + \sin \delta_{\ell j} G_\ell(\eta, kr)] \\ &\rightarrow (i/2) [H_\ell^{(-)}(\eta, kr) - S_{\ell j} H_\ell^{(+)}(\eta, kr)] \end{aligned}$$

$$H_\ell^{(\pm)}(\eta, kr) = G_\ell(\eta, kr) \pm iF_\ell(\eta, kr)$$

# Phase shift and partial wave S-matrix: Recall

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$$u_{k\ell j}(r) \rightarrow e^{i\delta_{\ell j}} \underbrace{[\cos \delta_{\ell j} F_{\ell}(\eta, kr) + \sin \delta_{\ell j} G_{\ell}(\eta, kr)]}$$

If  $U(r)$  is real, the phase shifts  $\delta_{\ell j}$  are real, and [...] also

$$u_{k\ell j}(r) \rightarrow (i/2) [\underbrace{H_{\ell}^{(-)}(\eta, kr)}_{\text{Ingoing waves}} - S_{\ell j} \underbrace{H_{\ell}^{(+)}(\eta, kr)}_{\text{outgoing waves}}]$$

$$S_{\ell j} = e^{2i\delta_{\ell j}}$$

$$|S_{\ell j}|^2$$

$$(1 - |S_{\ell j}|^2)$$

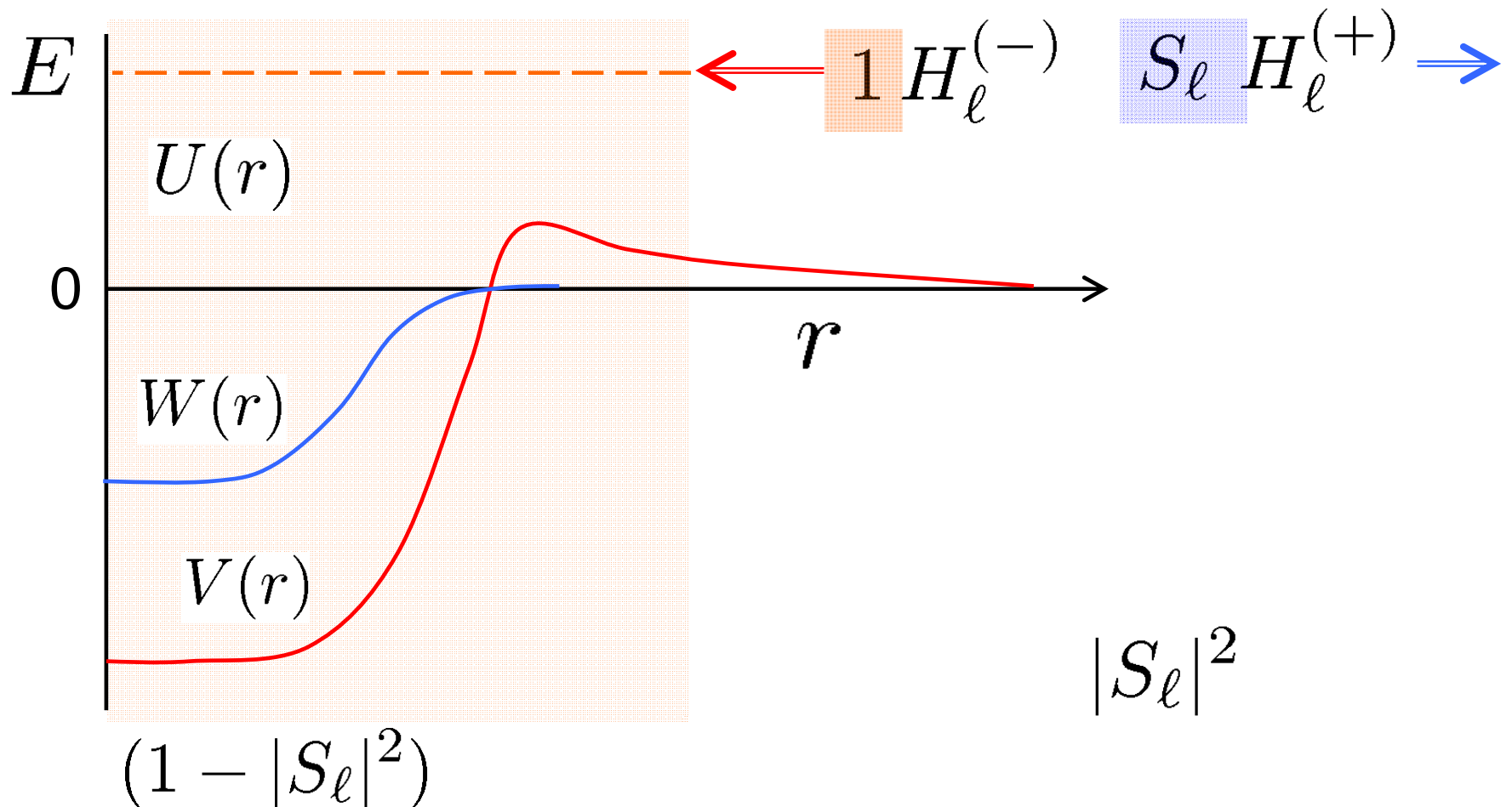
survival probability in the scattering

absorption probability in the scattering

Having calculate the phase shifts and the partial wave S-matrix elements we can then compute all scattering observables for this energy and potential (but later).

# Ingoing and outgoing waves amplitudes

$$u_{kl}(r) \rightarrow (i/2) [1 H_l^{(-)} - S_l H_l^{(+)}]$$



# Eikonal approximation: for point particles (1)

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Approximate (semi-classical) scattering solution of

$$\left( -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \nabla_r^2 + U(r) - E_{cm} \right) \chi_{\vec{k}}^+(\vec{r}) = 0, \quad \mu = \frac{m_c m_v}{m_c + m_v}$$

$$\left( \nabla_r^2 - \frac{2\mu}{\hbar^2} U(r) + k^2 \right) \chi_{\vec{k}}^+(\vec{r}) = 0$$

small wavelength

valid when  $|U|/E \ll 1, ka \gg 1 \rightarrow$  high energy

Key steps are: (1) the distorted wave function is written

$$\chi_{\vec{k}}^+(\vec{r}) = \exp(i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}) \omega(\vec{r})$$

all effects due to  $U(r)$ ,  
modulation function

(2) Substituting this product form in the Schrodinger Eq.

$$\left[ 2i\vec{k} \cdot \nabla \omega(\vec{r}) - \frac{2\mu}{\hbar^2} U(r) \omega(\vec{r}) + \nabla^2 \omega(\vec{r}) \right] \exp(i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}) = 0$$

# Eikonal approximation: point particles (2)

$$\left[ 2i\vec{k} \cdot \nabla \omega(\vec{r}) - \frac{2\mu}{\hbar^2} U(r) \omega(\vec{r}) + \cancel{\nabla^2 \omega(\vec{r})} \right] \exp(i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}) = 0$$

The conditions  $|U|/E \ll 1$ ,  $ka \gg 1 \rightarrow$  imply that

$$2\vec{k} \cdot \nabla \omega(\vec{r}) \gg \nabla^2 \omega(\vec{r}) \quad \text{Slow spatial variation cf. } k$$

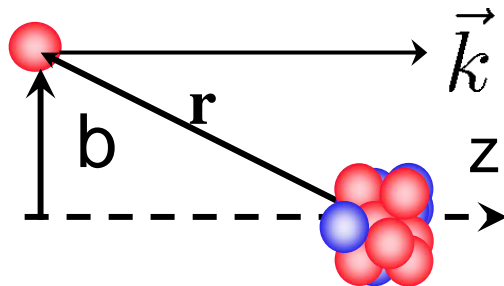
and choosing the z-axis in the beam direction  $\vec{k}$

$$\frac{d\omega}{dz} \approx -\frac{i\mu}{\hbar^2 k} U(r) \omega(\vec{r})$$

phase that develops with z

with solution

$$\omega(\vec{r}) = \exp \left[ -\frac{i\mu}{\hbar^2 k} \int_{-\infty}^z U(r) dz' \right]$$



1D integral over a straight line path through U at the impact parameter b

# Eikonal approximation: point particles (3)

$$\chi_{\vec{k}}^+(\vec{r}) = \exp(i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}) \omega(\vec{r}) \approx \exp(i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}) \exp \left[ -\frac{i\mu}{\hbar^2 k} \int_{-\infty}^z U(r) dz' \right]$$

So, after the interaction and as  $z \rightarrow \infty$

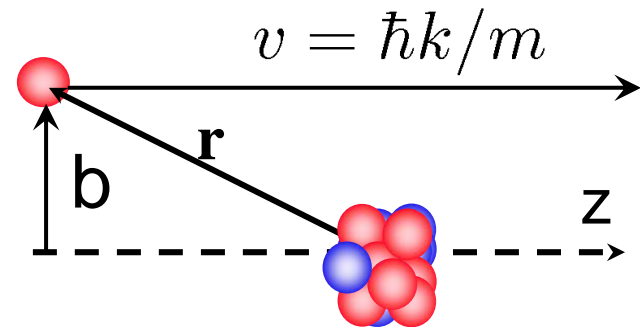
$$\chi_{\vec{k}}^+(\vec{r}) \rightarrow \exp(i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}) \exp \left[ -\frac{i\mu}{\hbar^2 k} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} U(r) dz' \right] = S(b) \exp(i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r})$$

$$\chi_{\vec{k}}^+(\vec{r}) \rightarrow S(b) \exp(i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r})$$

$S(b)$  is amplitude of the forward going outgoing waves from the scattering at impact parameter  $b$

Eikonal approximation to the S-matrix  $S(b)$

$$S(b) = \exp \left[ -\frac{i}{\hbar v} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} U(r) dz' \right]$$

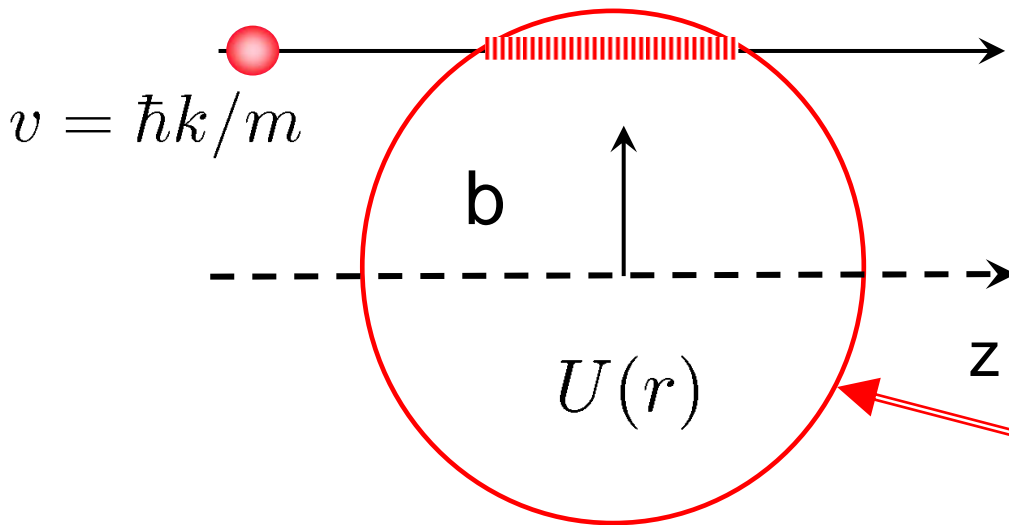


Moreover, the structure of the theory generalises simply to few-body projectiles



# Eikonal approximation: point particles - summary

$$\chi_{\vec{k}}^+(\vec{r}) = \exp(i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}) \exp \left[ -\frac{i\mu}{\hbar^2 k} \int_{-\infty}^z U(r) dz' \right]$$



$$\chi(b) = -\frac{1}{\hbar v} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} U(r) dz$$

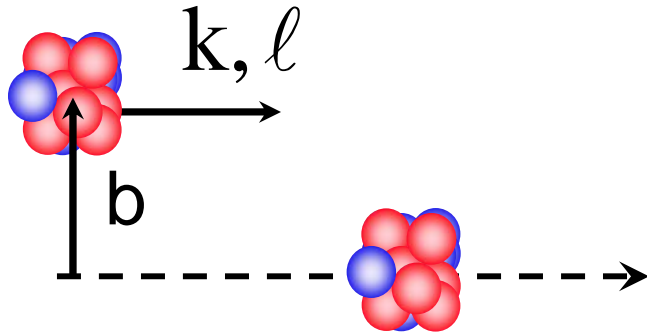
limit of range of  
finite ranged  
potential

$$\chi_{\vec{k}}^+(\vec{r}) \rightarrow S(b) \exp(i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r})$$

$$S(b) = \exp [i\chi(b)] = \exp \left[ -\frac{i}{\hbar v} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} U(r) dz' \right]$$

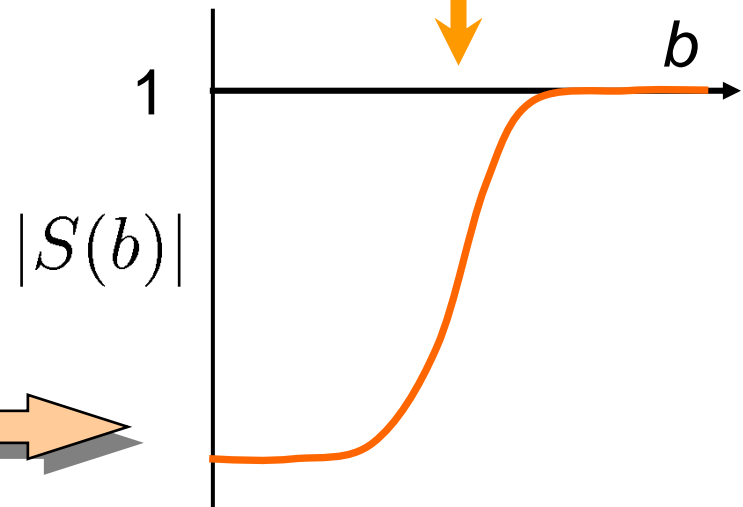
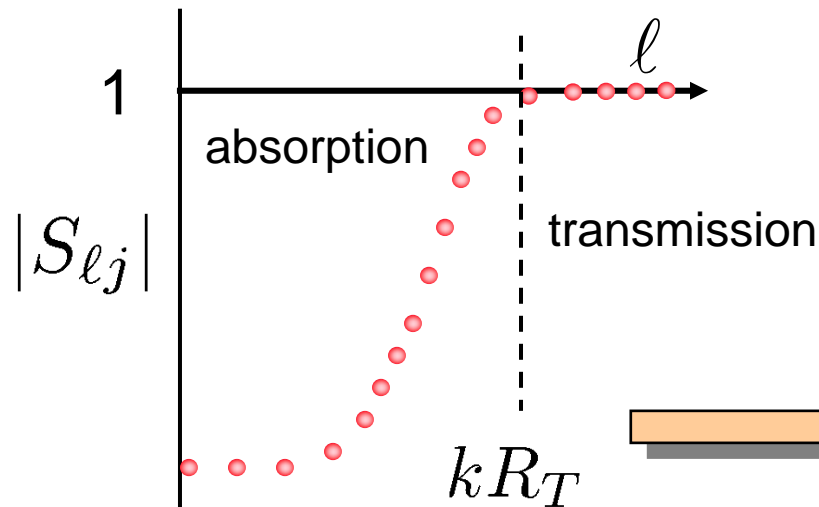
# Semi-classical model for the S-matrix - S(b)

b=impact parameter



for high energy/or large mass,  
semi-classical ideas are good

$$kb \cong l, \text{ actually } \Rightarrow l + 1/2$$



$$u_{k\ell j}(r) \rightarrow (i/2)[H_{\ell}^{(-)} - S_{\ell j}H_{\ell}^{(+)}]$$

$$S(b) = \exp \left[ -\frac{i}{\hbar v} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} U(r) dz' \right]$$

# Point particle scattering – cross sections

All cross sections, etc. can be computed from the S-matrix, in either the partial wave or the eikonal (impact parameter) representation, for example (spinless case):

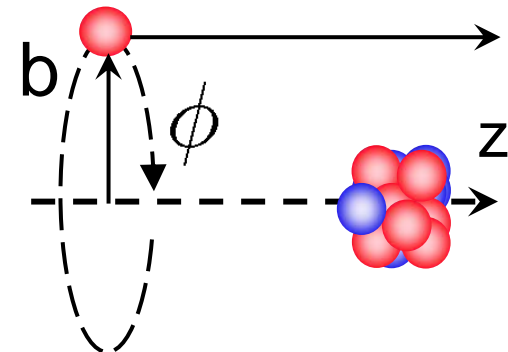
$$\sigma_{el} = \frac{\pi}{k^2} \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell + 1) |1 - S_{\ell}|^2 \approx \int d^2\vec{b} |1 - S(b)|^2$$

$$\sigma_R = \frac{\pi}{k^2} \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell + 1) (1 - |S_{\ell}|^2) \approx \int d^2\vec{b} (1 - |S(b)|^2)$$

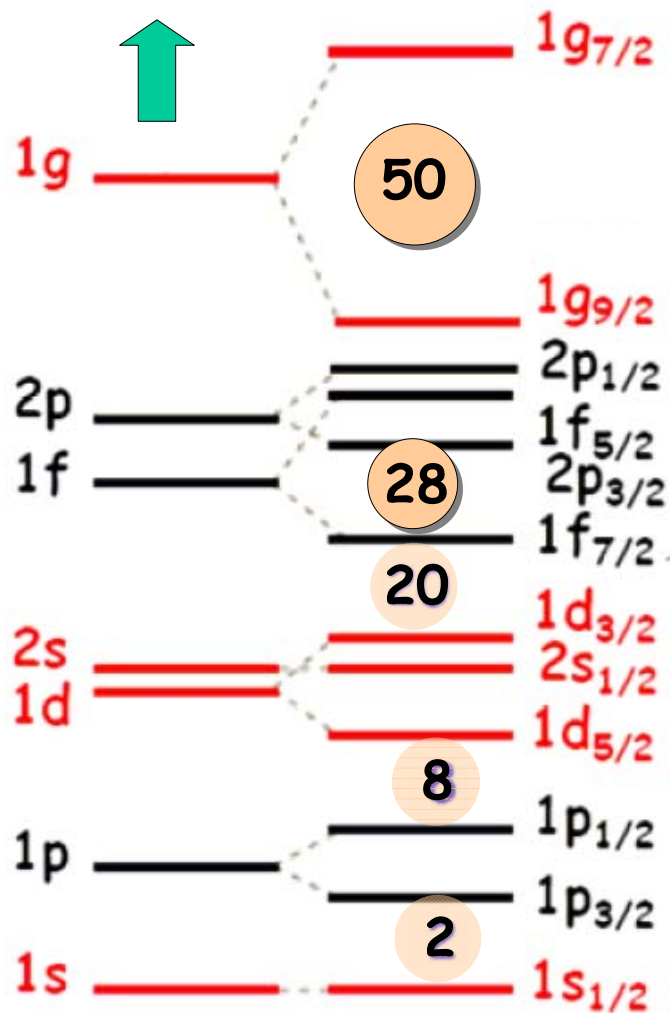
$$\sigma_{tot} = \sigma_{el} + \sigma_R = 2 \int d^2\vec{b} [1 - \text{Re}.S(b)] \quad \text{etc.}$$

and where (cylindrical coordinates)

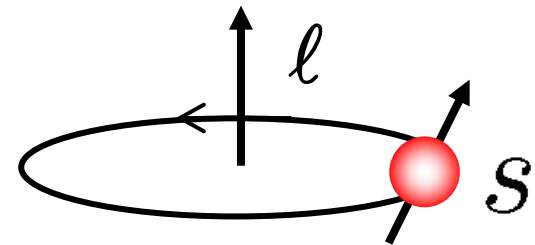
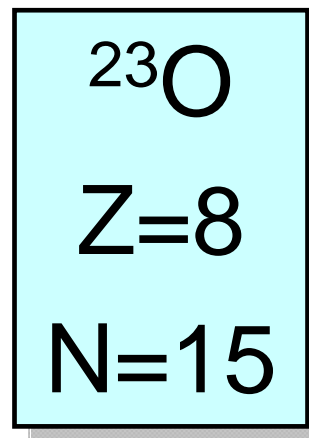
$$\int d^2\vec{b} \equiv \int_0^{\infty} b db \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi = 2\pi \int_0^{\infty} b db$$



# What is involved in realistic reaction calculations?



$$l, s = 1/2 \begin{cases} j_{<} = l - 1/2 \\ j_{>} = l + 1/2 \end{cases}$$

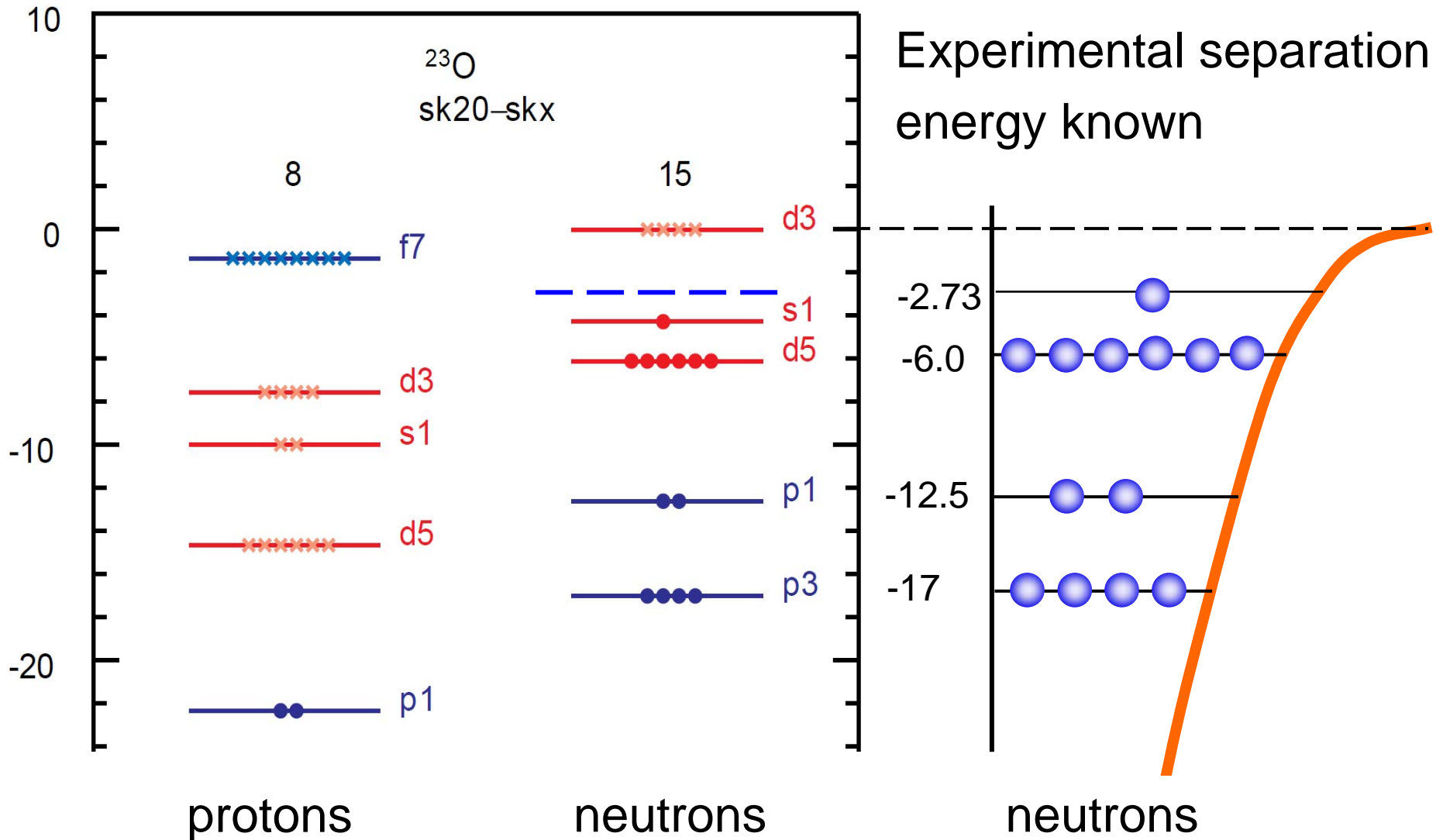


$$V_{ls}(r) \vec{l} \cdot \vec{s}$$

$$V(r) + V_{so}(r) \vec{l} \cdot \vec{s}$$

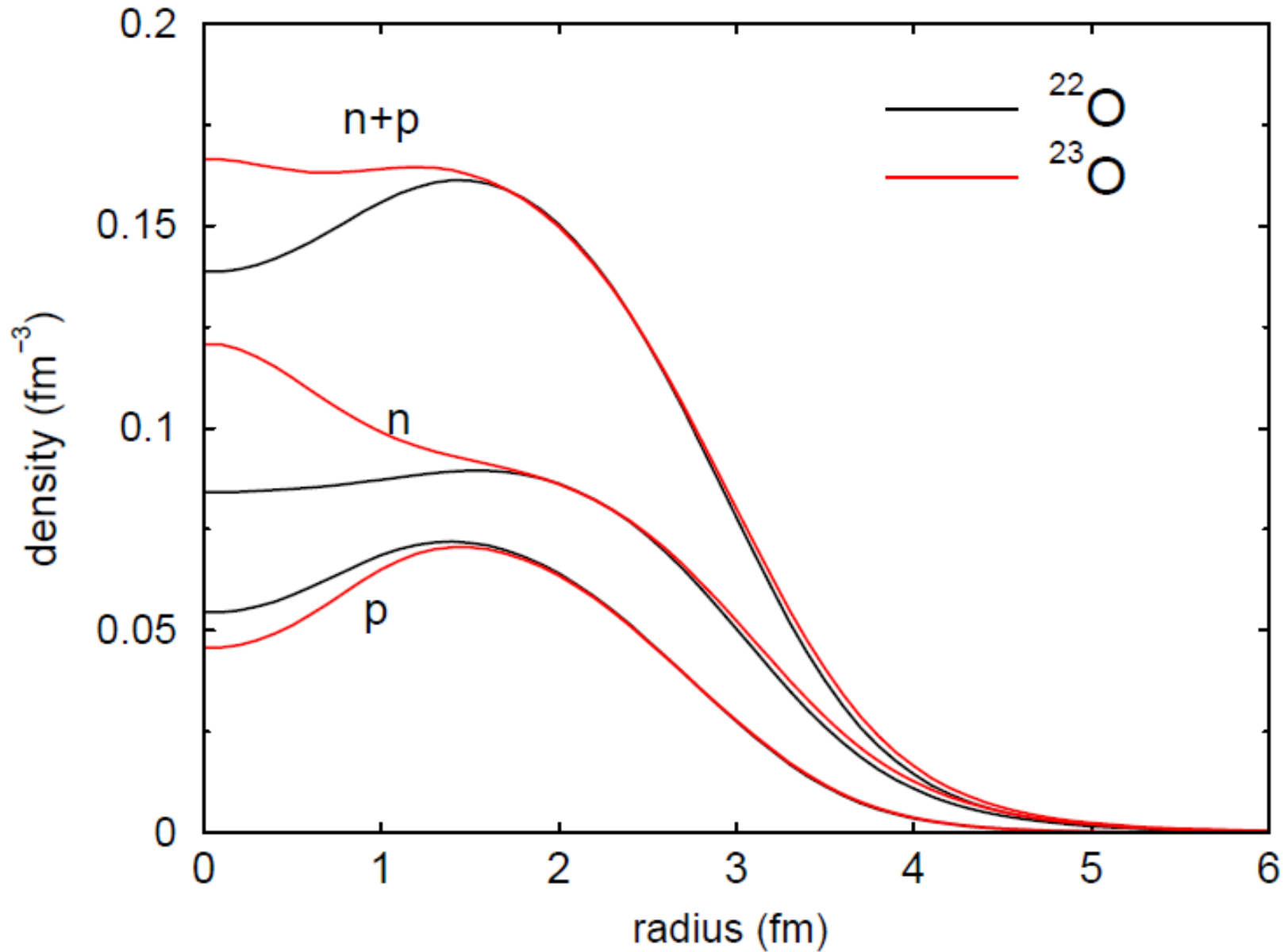
$$V_{so}(r) < 0$$

# Examples: What is involved – take neutron from $^{23}\text{O}$



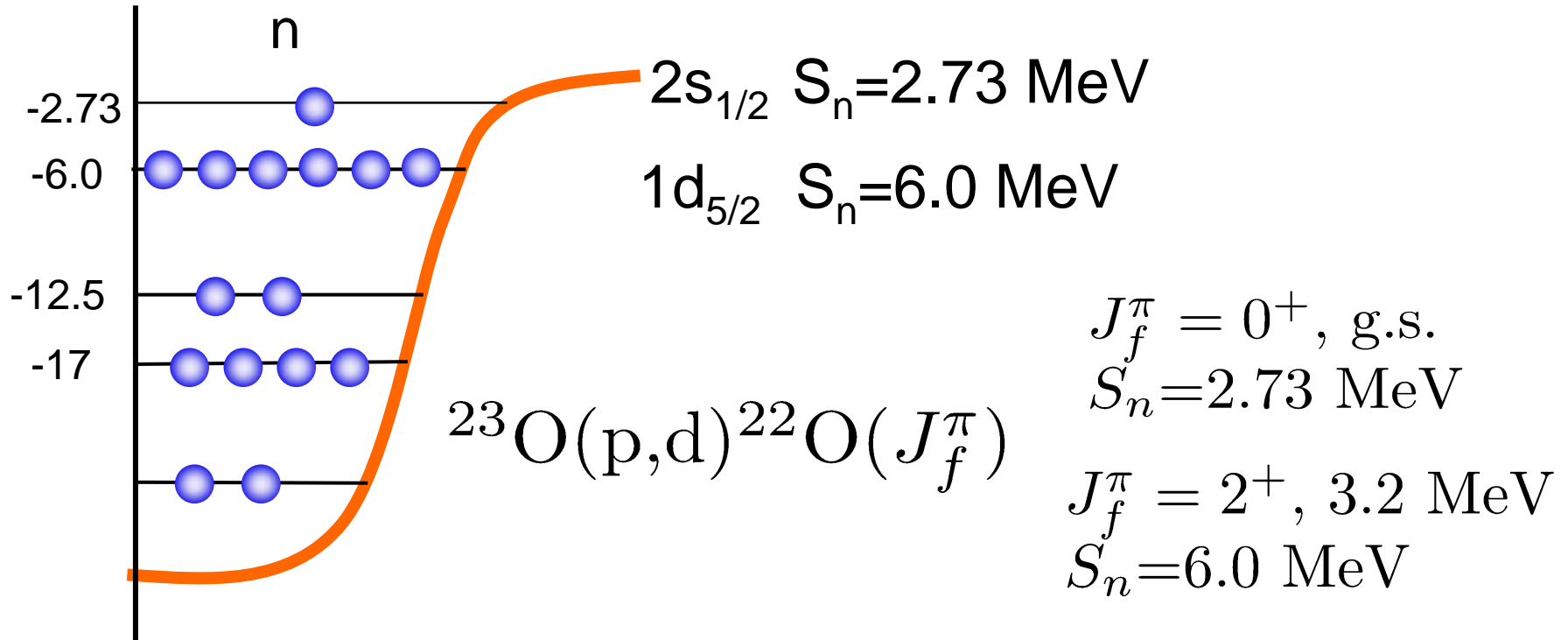
Hartree-Fock mean field calculation

# Neutron: proton: nucleon radial densities (HF)



# Orientation I – neutron transfer – (p,d) reaction

Single neutron removal from  $^{23}\text{O} \equiv [1d_{5/2}]^6 [2s_{1/2}]$

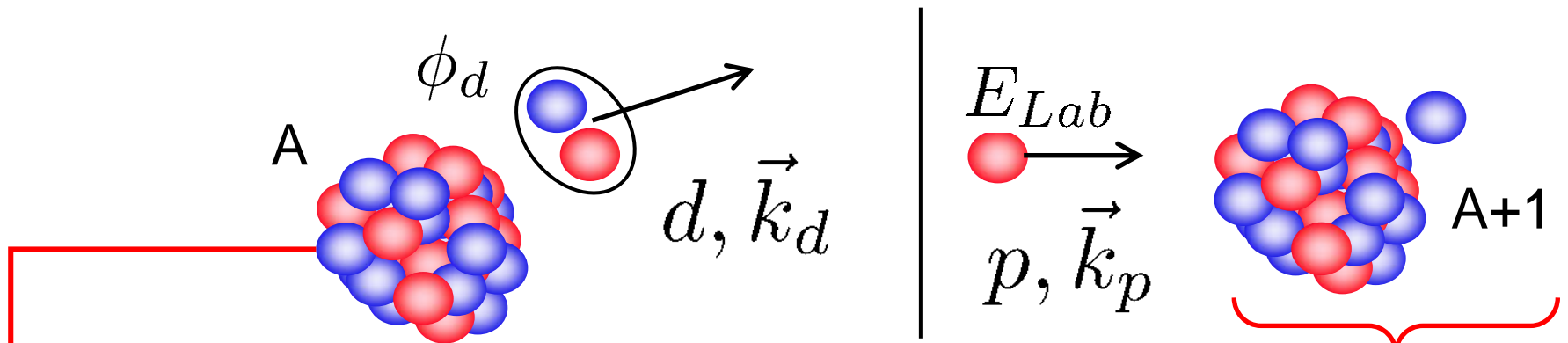


transfer reaction code(s) available at:

<http://www.nucleartheory.net/NPG/code.htm>

# Transfer reaction transition amplitudes - DWBA

$$T(p, d) = \underbrace{\langle \chi_{d, \vec{k}_d}^{(-)} \Phi(A, J_f) \phi_d |}_{\text{exit channel}} V_{np} \underbrace{|\chi_{p, \vec{k}_p}^{(+)} \Phi(A + 1, J_i) \rangle}_{\text{entrance channel}}$$

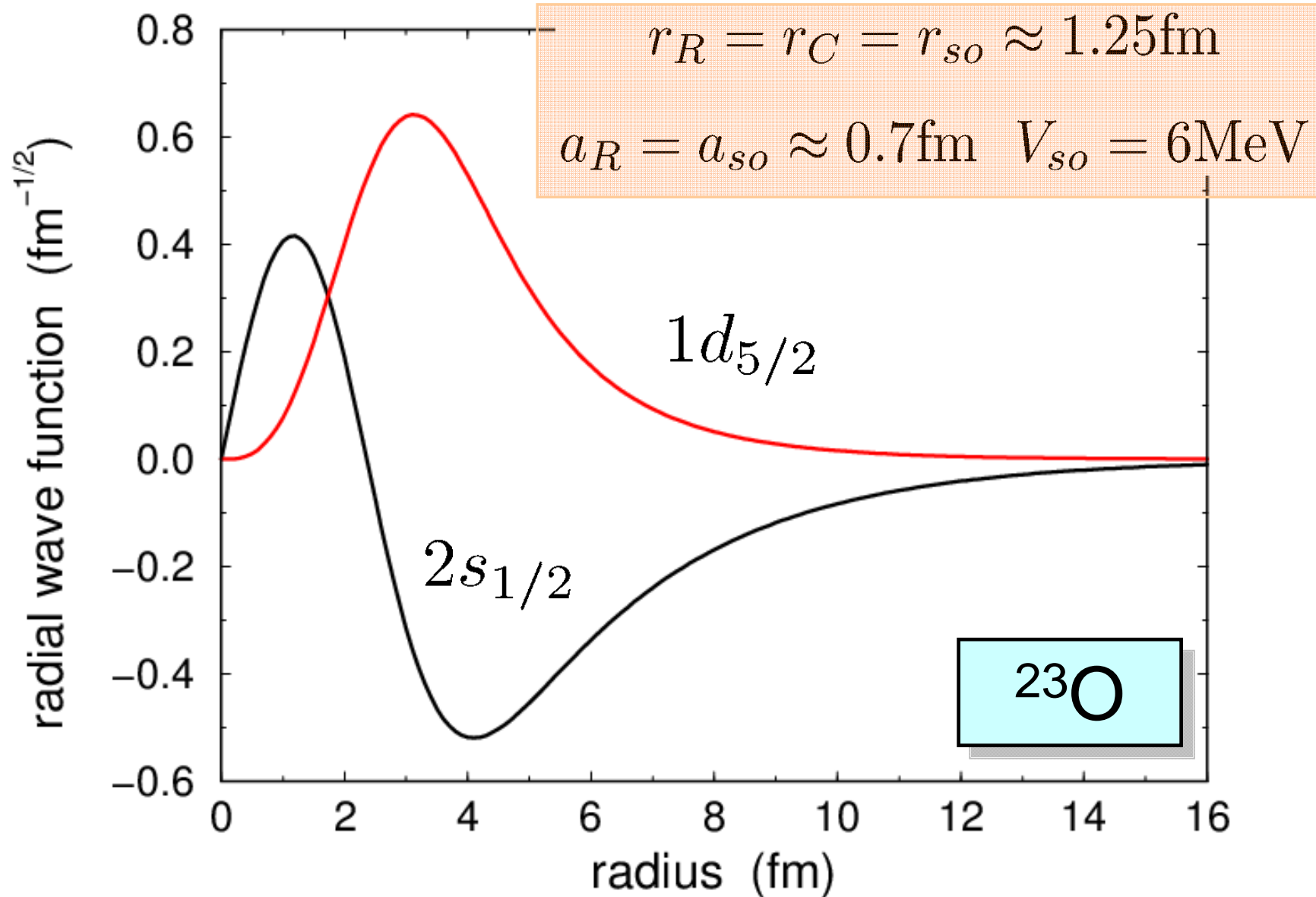


$$V_{np} \phi_d(\vec{r}) \approx D_0 \delta(\vec{r}) \quad \text{- short range}$$

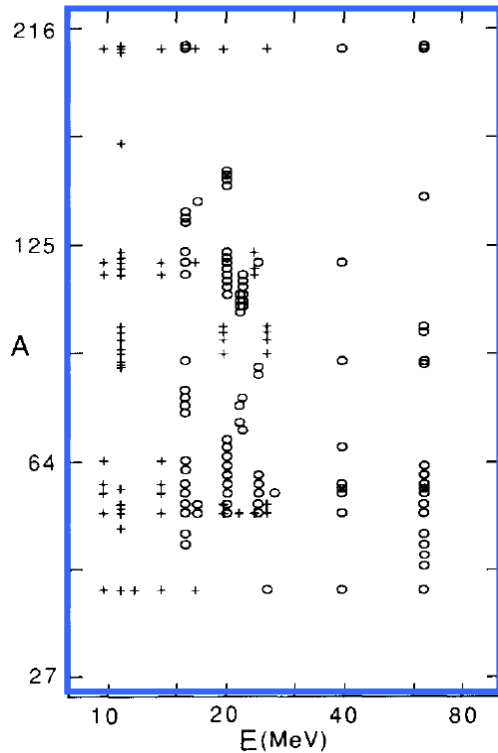
$$\phi_{nlj}(\vec{r}_n) = \langle \Phi(A, J_f) | \Phi(A + 1, J_i) \rangle$$



# Neutron bound state wave functions



# Global optical potentials – e.g. CH91 for nucleons



## A GLOBAL NUCLEON OPTICAL MODEL POTENTIAL\*

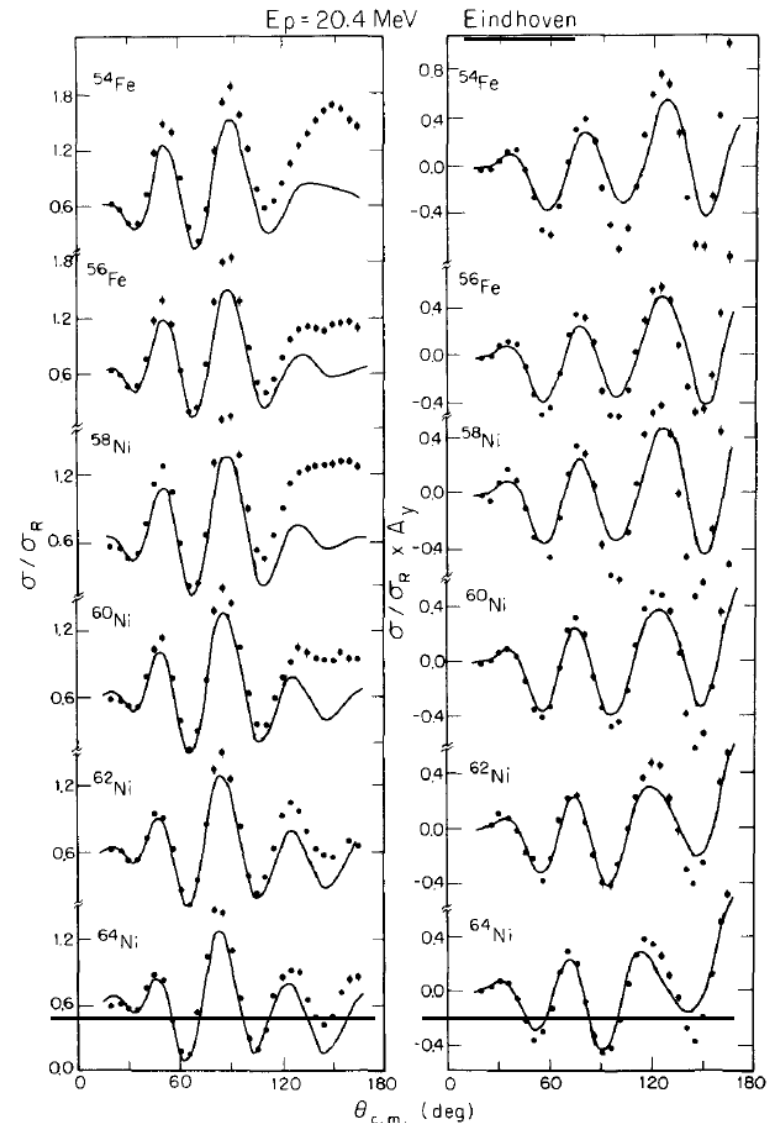
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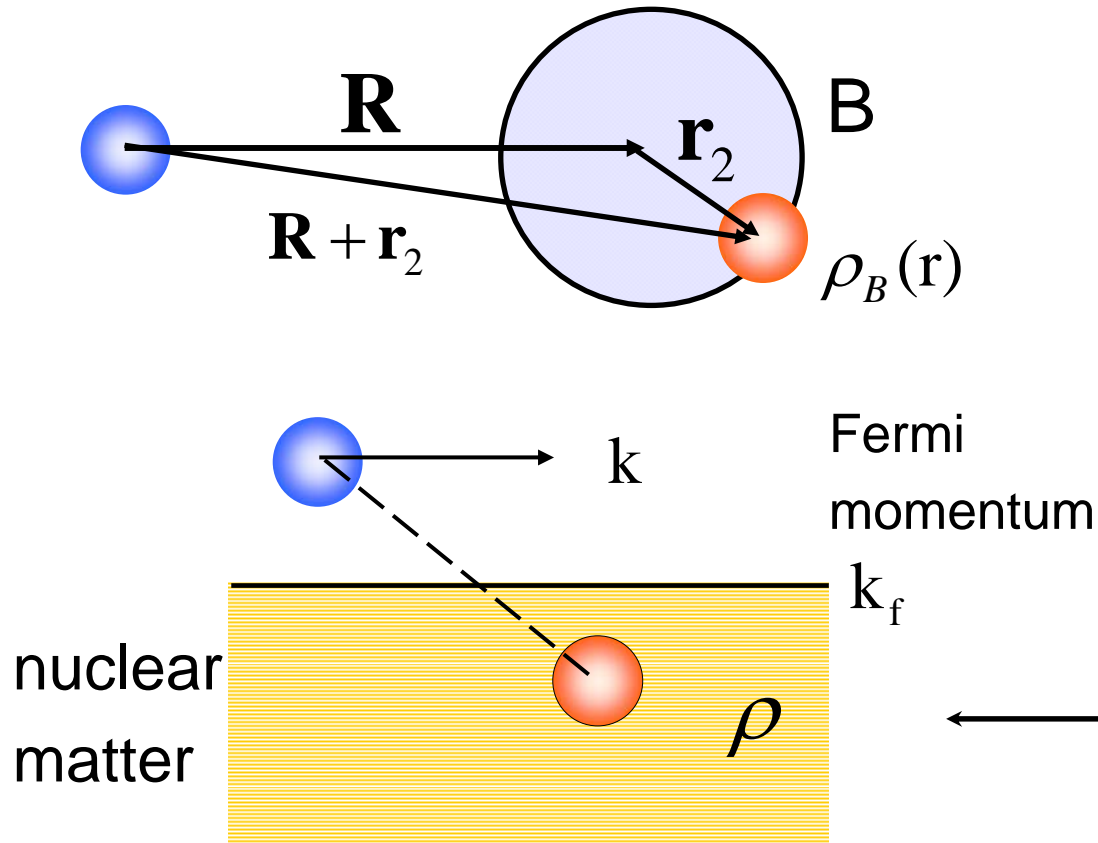
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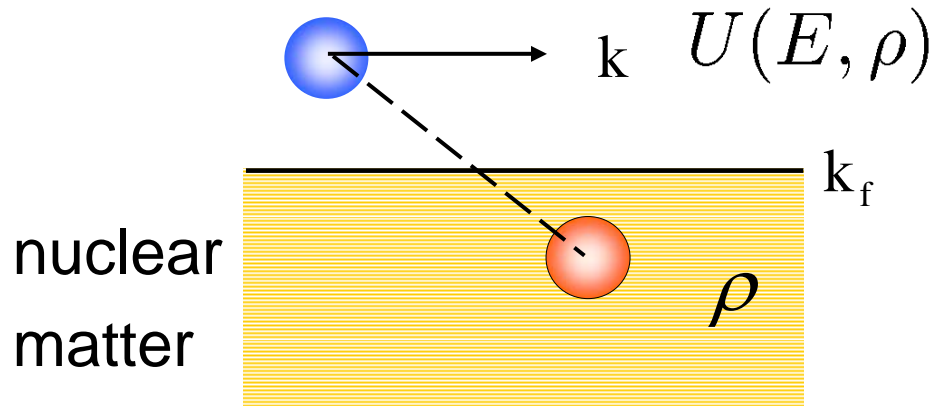
# Theoretical nucleon potential – based on density

$$V_{NB}(\mathbf{R}) = \int d\mathbf{r}_2 \rho_B(\mathbf{r}_2) v_{NN}(\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r}_2)$$



include the effect of NN interaction in the “nuclear medium” – Pauli blocking of pair scattering into occupied states  $\rightarrow v_{NN}(\rho, \mathbf{r})$  (e.g. M3Y, JLM)  
 But as  $E \rightarrow$  high  $V_{NN} \rightarrow V_{NN}^{\text{free}}$

# JLM interaction – local density approximation

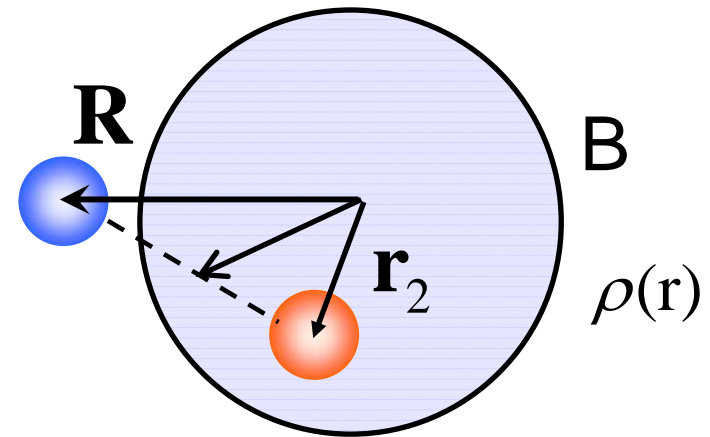


complex and density dependent interaction

$$v_{NN}(r) = \frac{U(E, \rho)}{\rho} f(r)$$

$$f(r) = (\sqrt{\pi}t)^{-3} \exp(-r^2/t^2)$$

For finite nuclei, what value of density should be used in calculation of nucleon-nucleus potential? Usually the local density at the mid-point of the two nucleon positions  $\mathbf{r}_x$



$$U_B(R) = V_B(R) + iW_B(R) = \int d\vec{r}_2 \rho_B(r_2) \frac{U(E, \rho(r_x))}{\rho(r_x)} f(r)$$

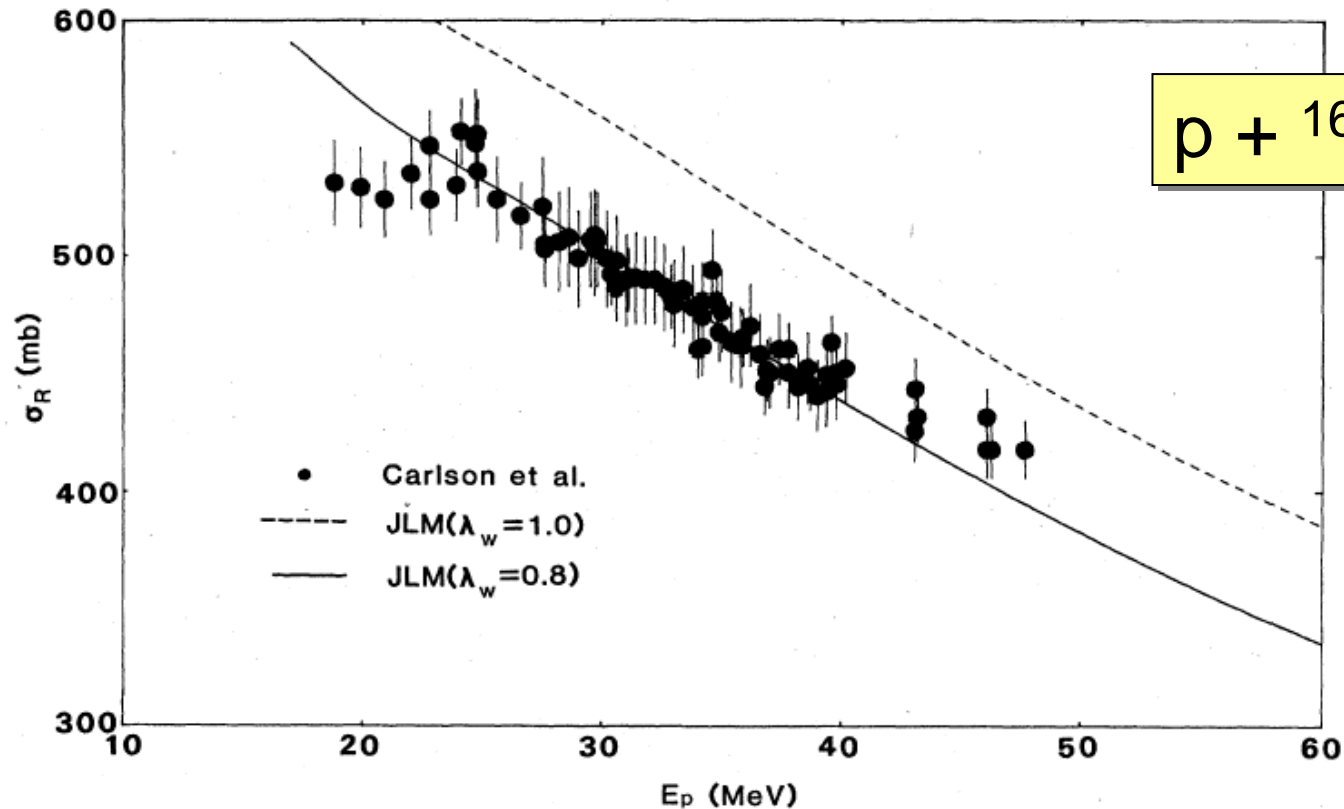
# JLM interaction – fine tuning

Strengths of the real and imaginary parts of the potential can be adjusted based on experience of fitting data.

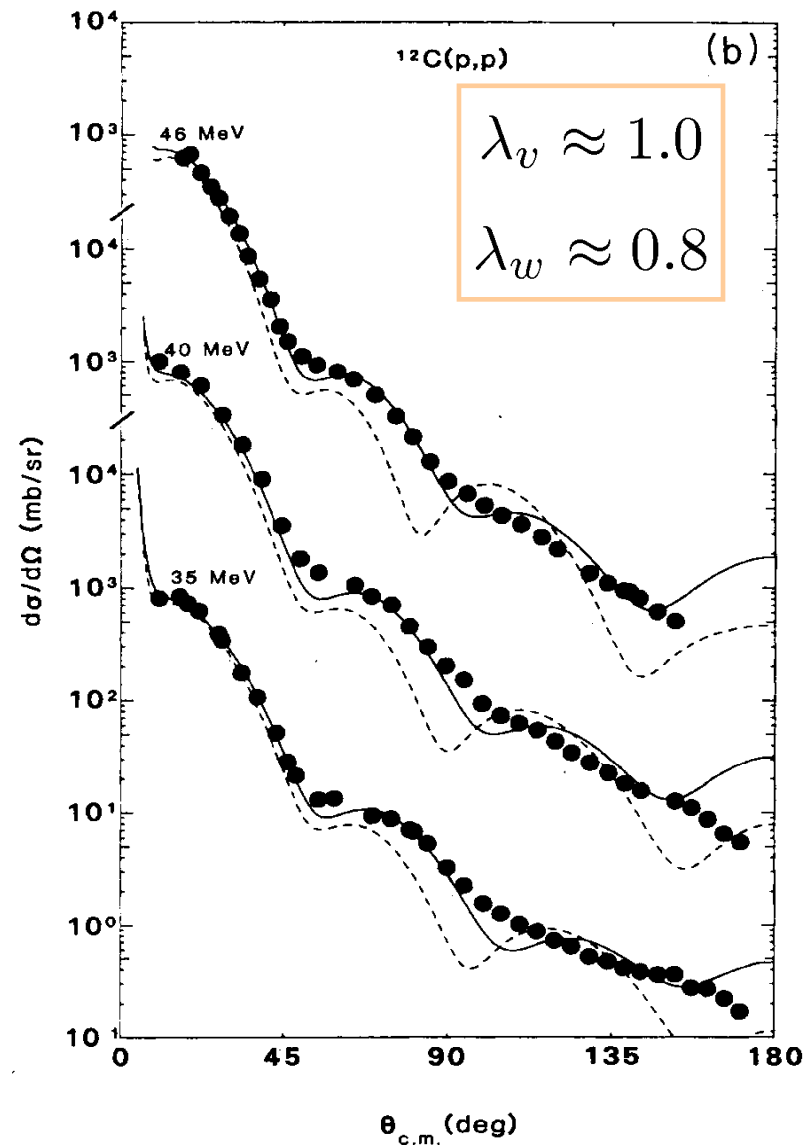
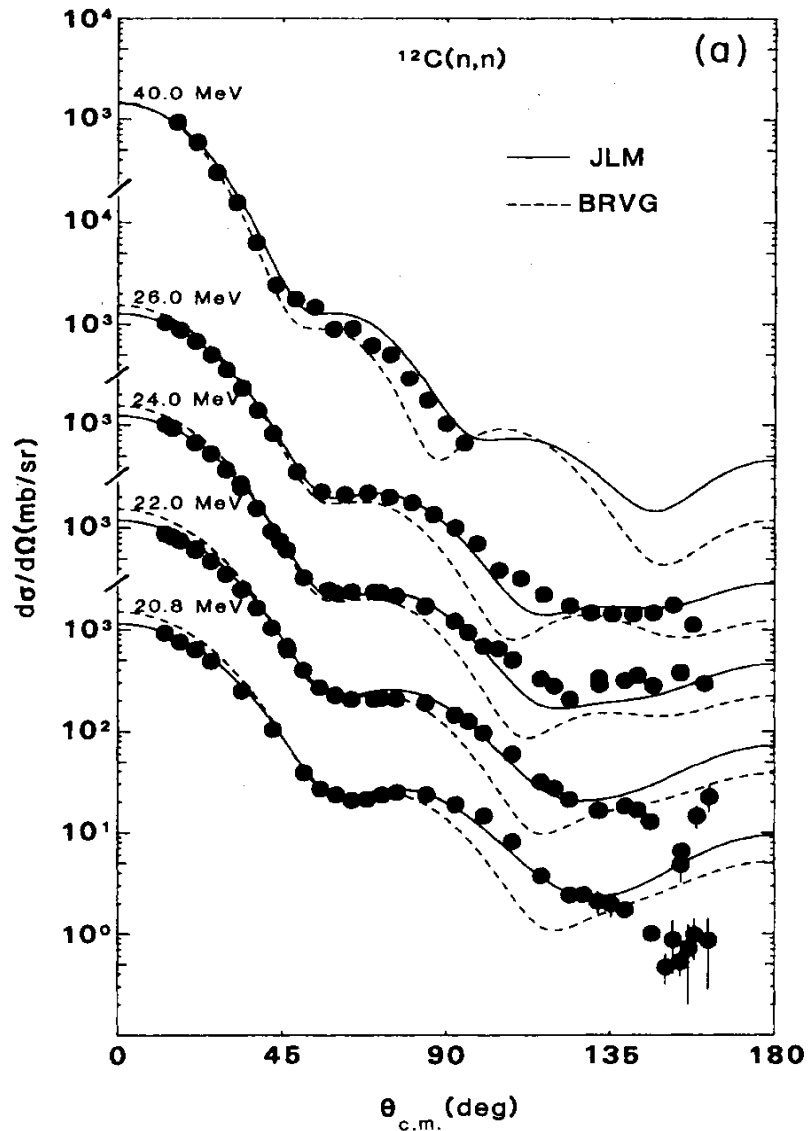
$$U_B(R) = \lambda_v V_B(R) + i\lambda_w W_B(R)$$

$$\lambda_v \approx 1.0$$

$$\lambda_w \approx 0.8$$

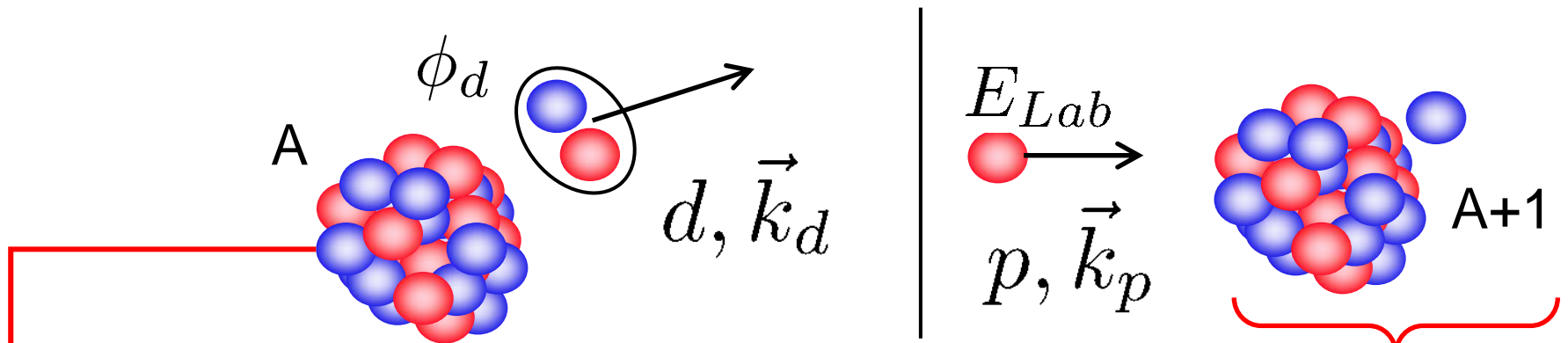


# JLM folded nucleon-nucleus optical potentials



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$$\phi_{nlj}(\vec{r}_n) = \langle \Phi(A, J_f) | \Phi(A + 1, J_i) \rangle$$

# Global optical potentials – e.g. for deuterons

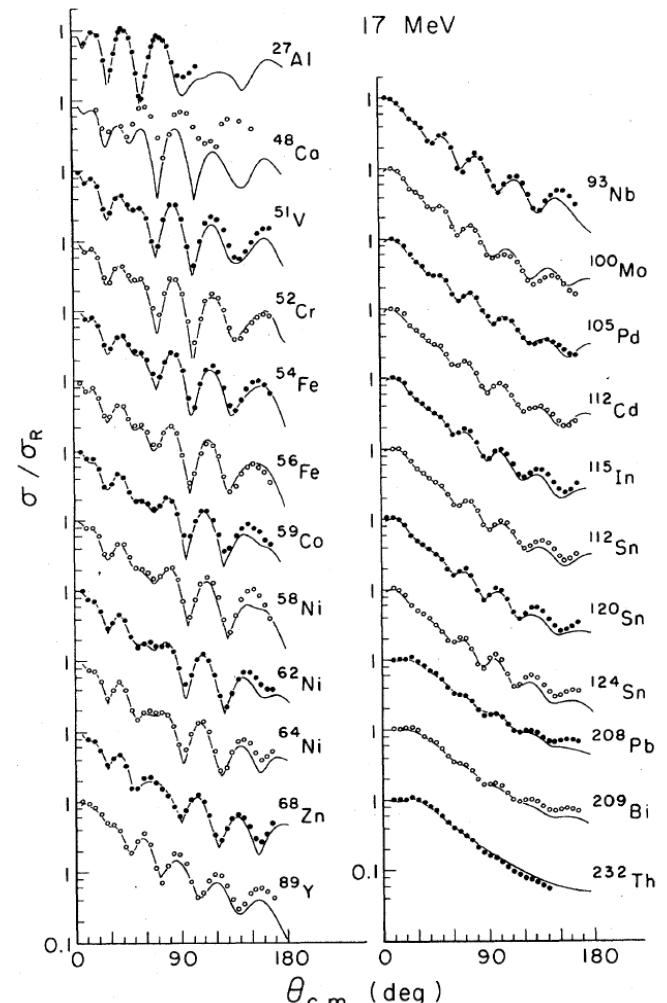
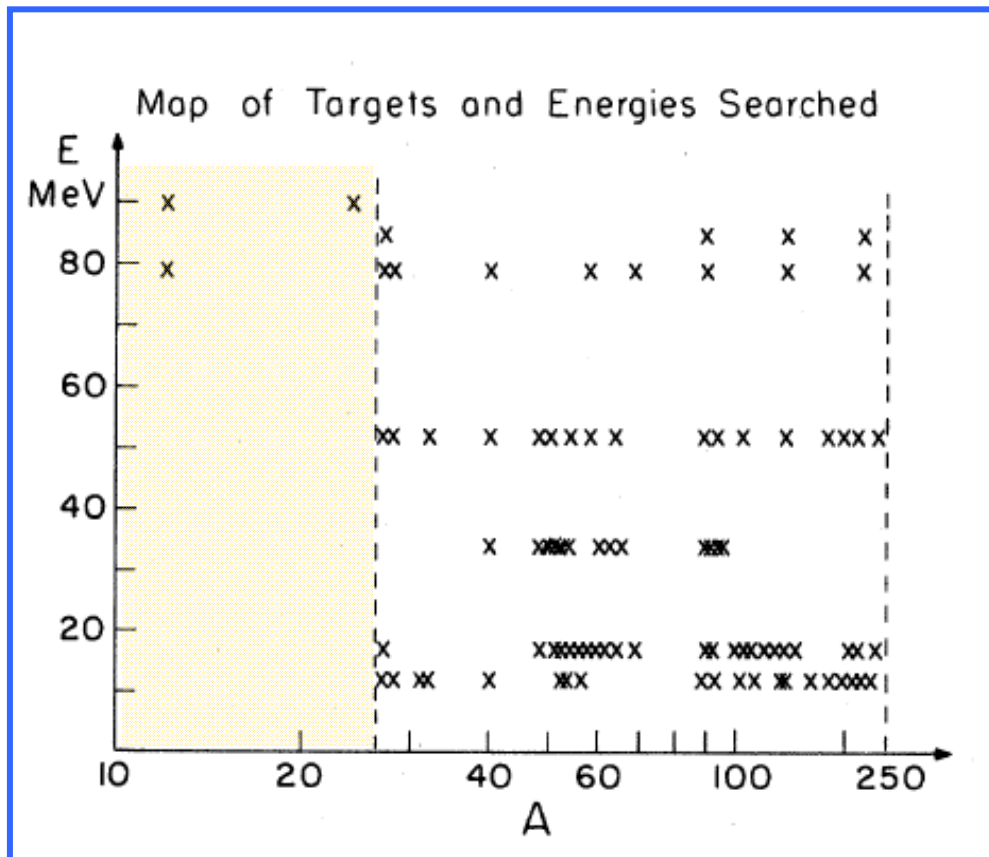
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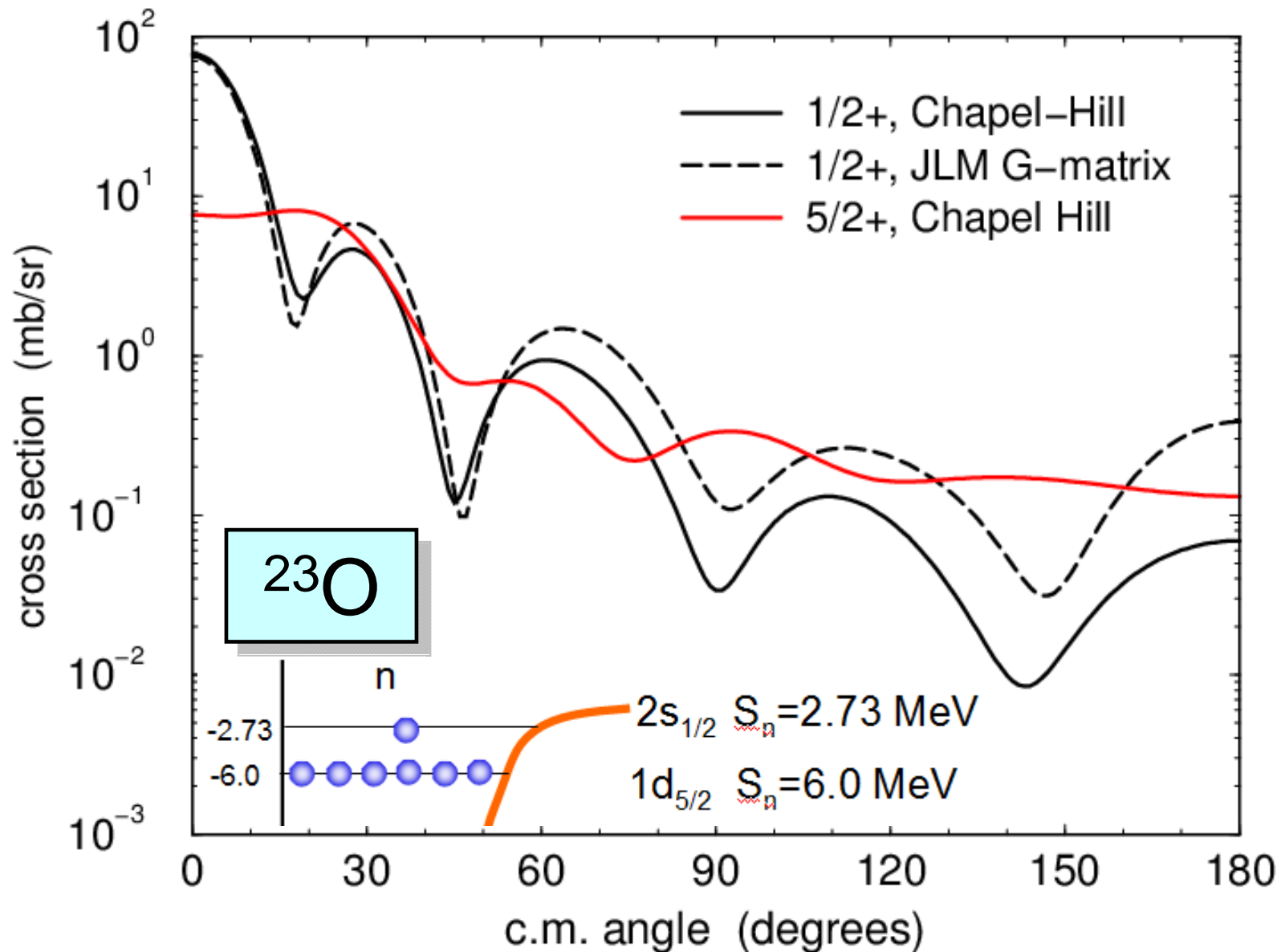
## Global optical model potential for elastic deuteron scattering from 12 to 90 MeV

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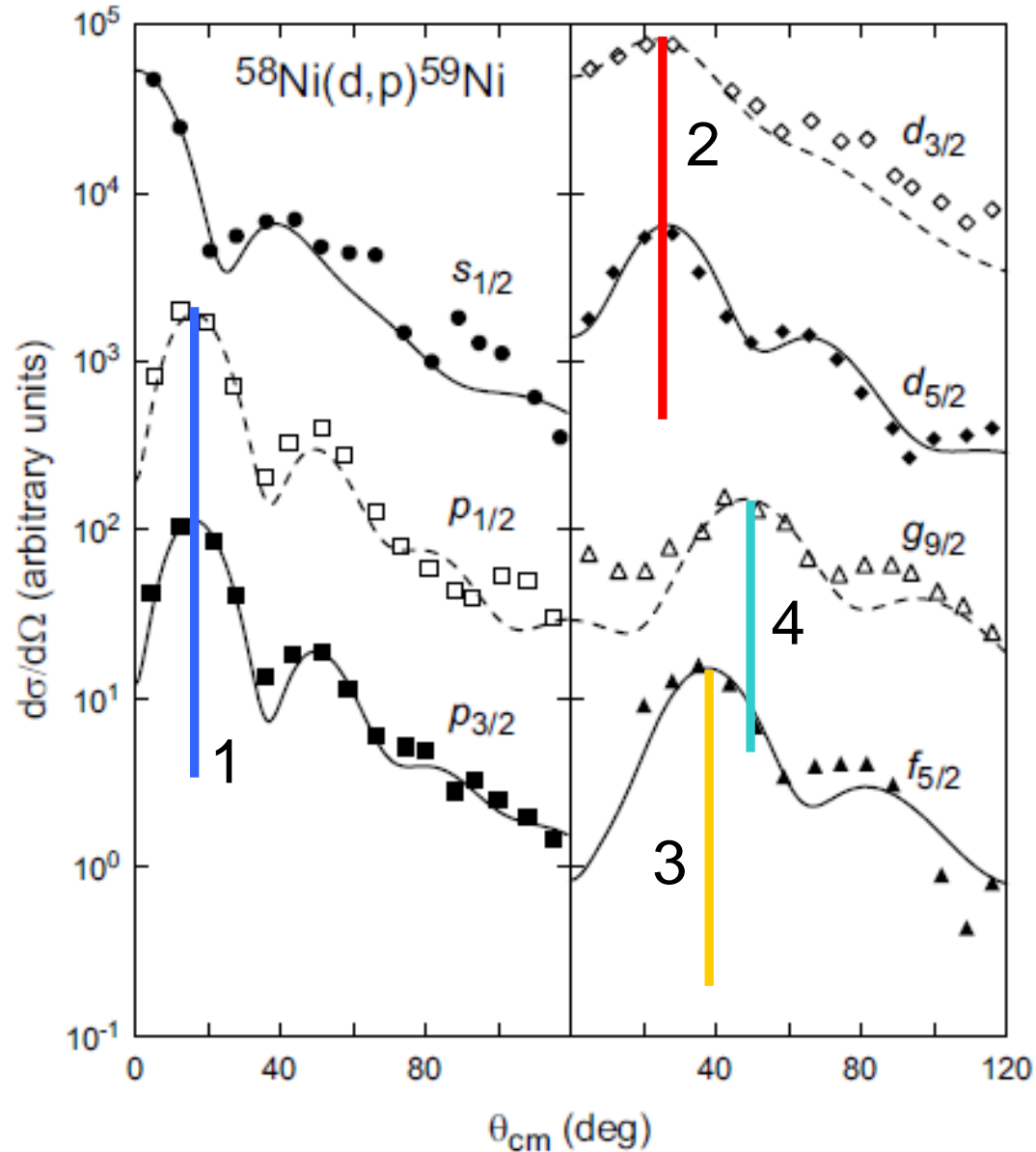




# Calculated (p,d) transfer (pick-up) cross sections

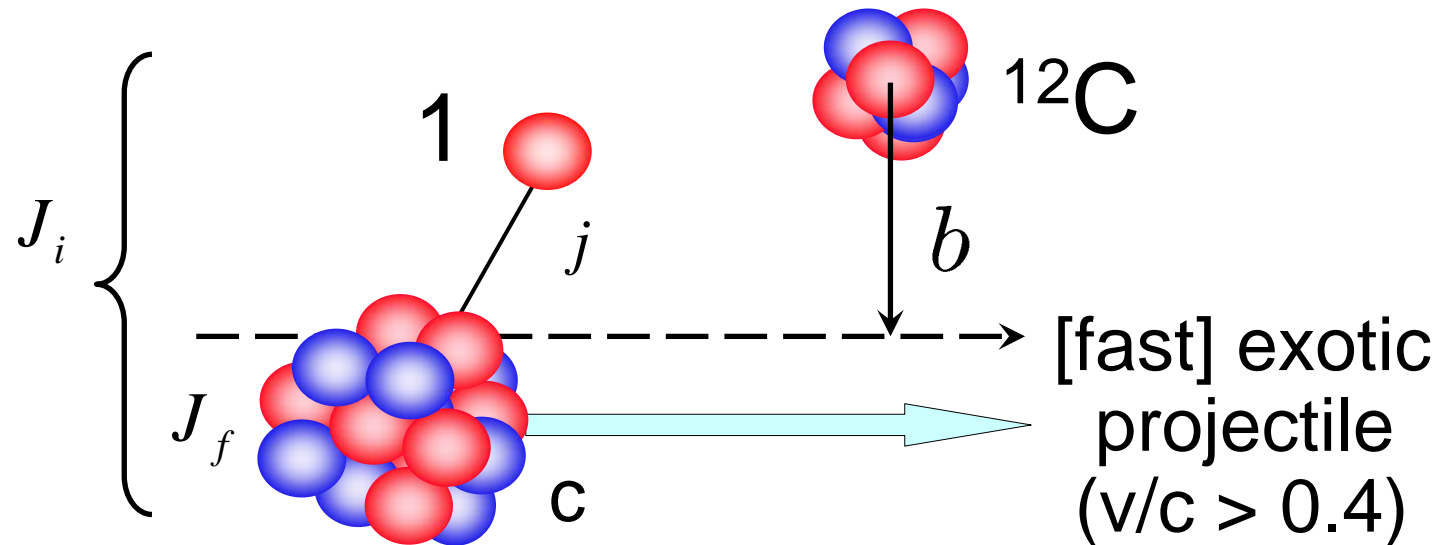


# Example – from Ian Thompson EBSS 2011 slides



## Orientation II – neutron removal – or knockout

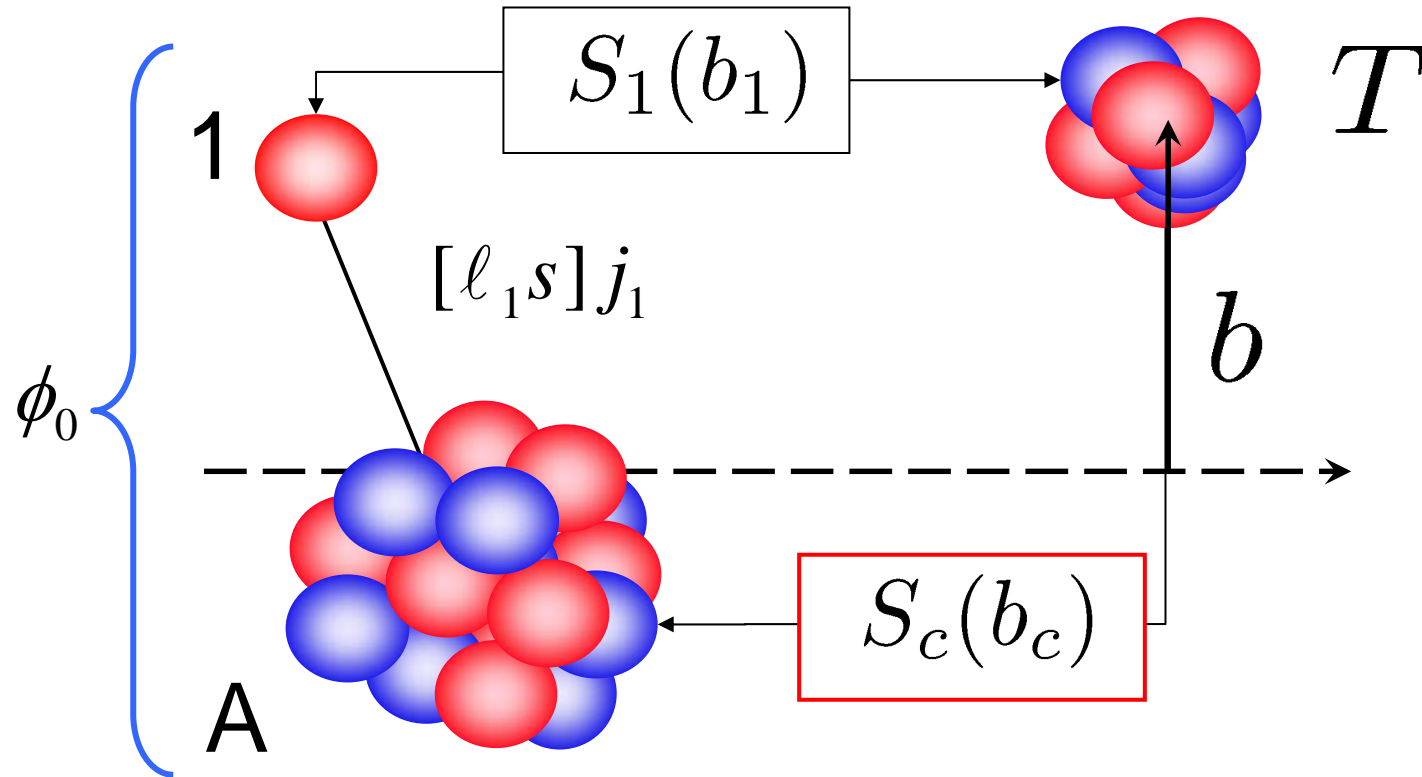
Another experimental option is one-nucleon removal – at  $\sim 100$  MeV/nucleon and greater – fragmentation beams



Experiments do not measure target final states. Final state of core c measured – using decay gamma rays.

How to describe and what can we learn from these?

# Use for reactions – stripping/knockout of a nucleon



$$\sigma_{\text{strip}} = \int d\mathbf{b} \langle \phi_0 | |S_c(\mathbf{b}_c)|^2 (1 - |S_1(\mathbf{b}_1)|^2) | \phi_0 \rangle$$

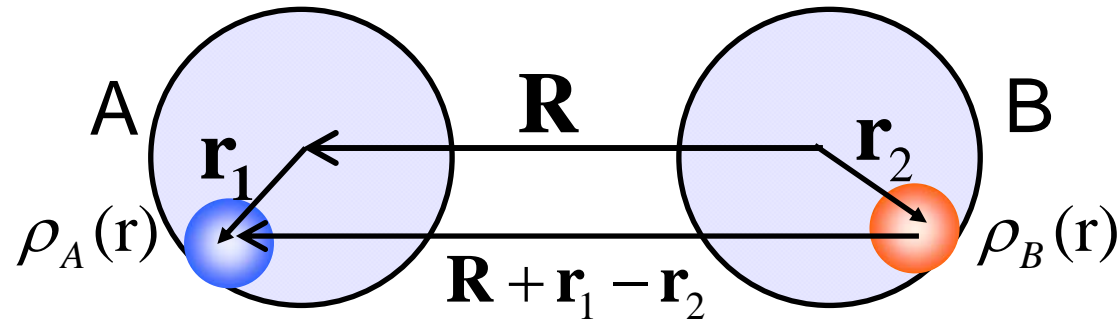
Have also assumed the sudden/adiabatic approximation

# Effective interactions – Folding models

Double folding

$$U_{AB}(\mathbf{R}) = \int d\mathbf{r}_1 \int d\mathbf{r}_2 \rho_A(\mathbf{r}_1) \rho_B(\mathbf{r}_2) v_{\text{NN}}(\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2)$$

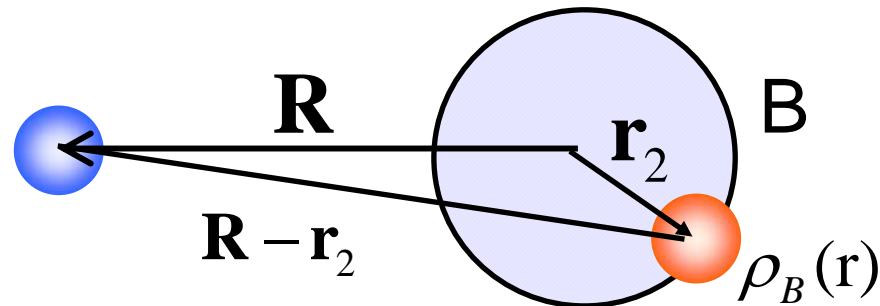
$U_{AB}$



Single folding

$$U_B(\mathbf{R}) = \int d\mathbf{r}_2 \rho_B(\mathbf{r}_2) v_{\text{NN}}(\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{r}_2)$$

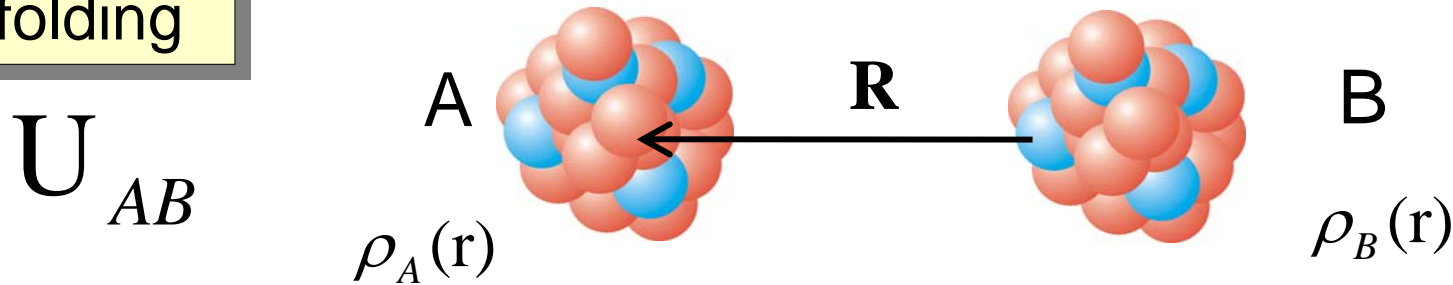
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# Core-target effective interactions – for $S_c(b_c)$

Double  
folding

$$U_{AB}(\mathbf{R}) = \int d\mathbf{r}_1 \int d\mathbf{r}_2 \rho_A(\mathbf{r}_1) \rho_B(\mathbf{r}_2) t_{NN}(\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r}_2 - \mathbf{r}_1)$$



At higher energies – for nucleus-nucleus or nucleon-nucleus systems – first order term of multiple scattering expansion

$$t_{NN}(r) = \left[ -\frac{\hbar v}{2} \sigma_{NN}(i + \alpha_{NN}) \right] f(r), \quad \int d\vec{r} f(r) = 1$$

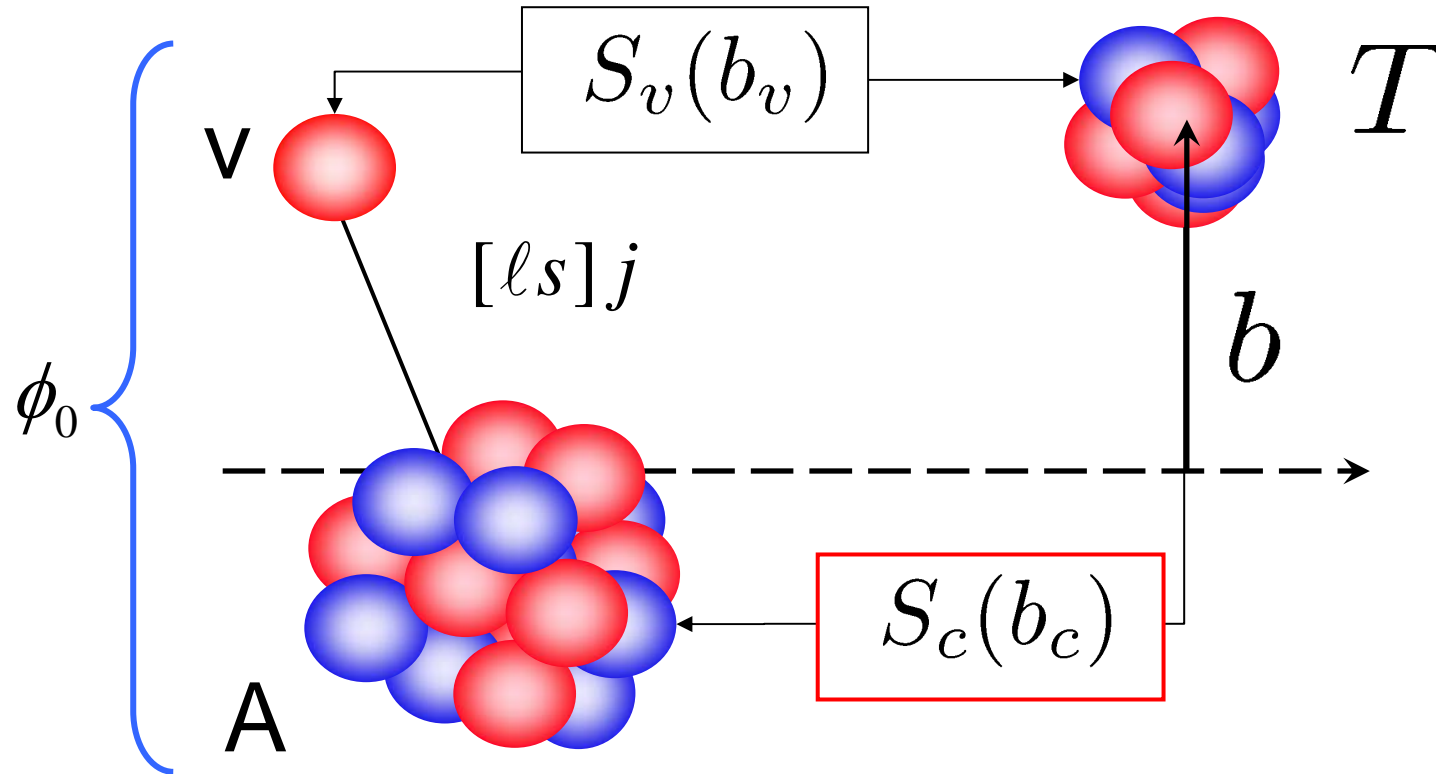
e.g.  $f(r) = \delta(r)$

nucleon-nucleon cross section

$$f(r) = (\sqrt{\pi}t)^{-3} \exp(-r^2/t^2)$$

resulting in a **COMPLEX**  
nucleus-nucleus potential

# Diffractive (breakup) removal of a nucleon

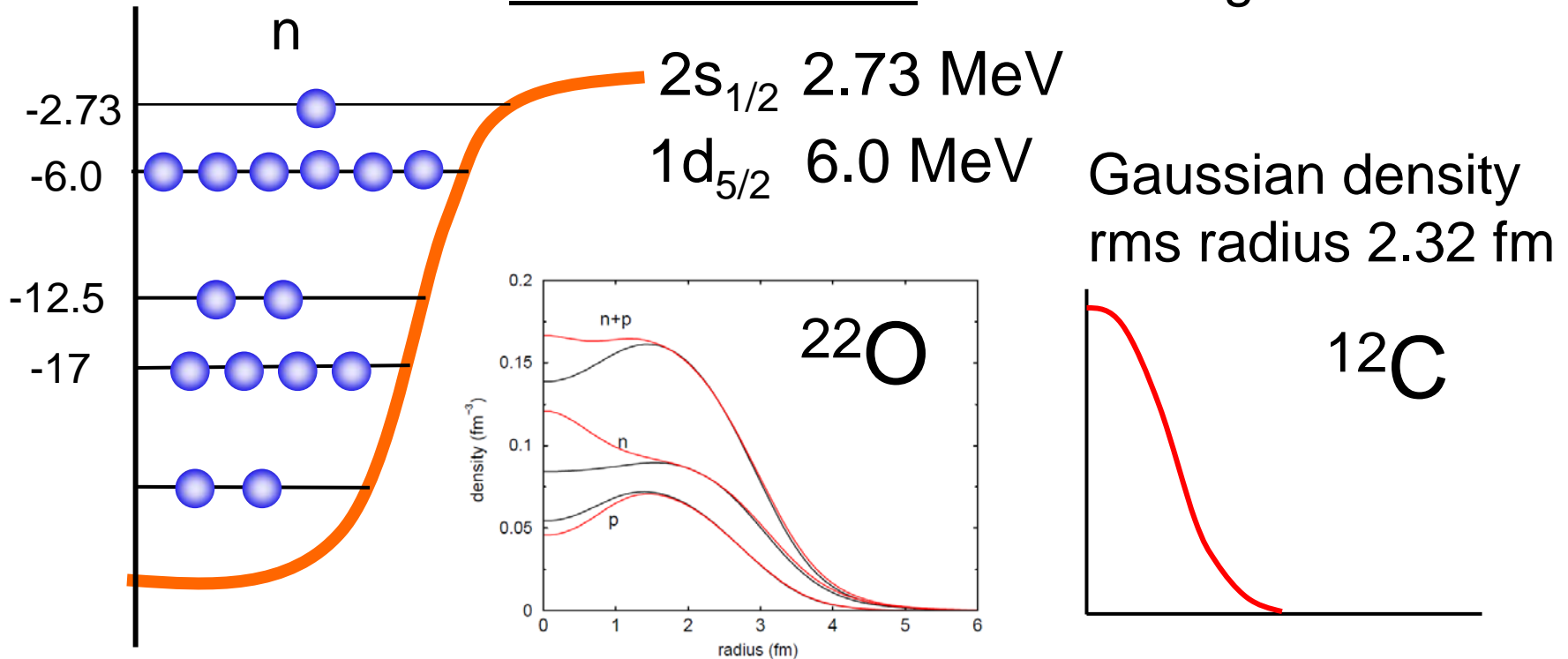


$$\sigma_{\text{diff}} = \int d\mathbf{b} \left\{ \langle \phi_0 | |S_c S_v|^2 | \phi_0 \rangle - |\langle \phi_0 | S_c S_v | \phi_0 \rangle|^2 \right\}$$

# Orientation II – neutron removal – cross sections

Single neutron removal from  $^{23}\text{O} \equiv [1d_{5/2}]^6 [2s_{1/2}]$

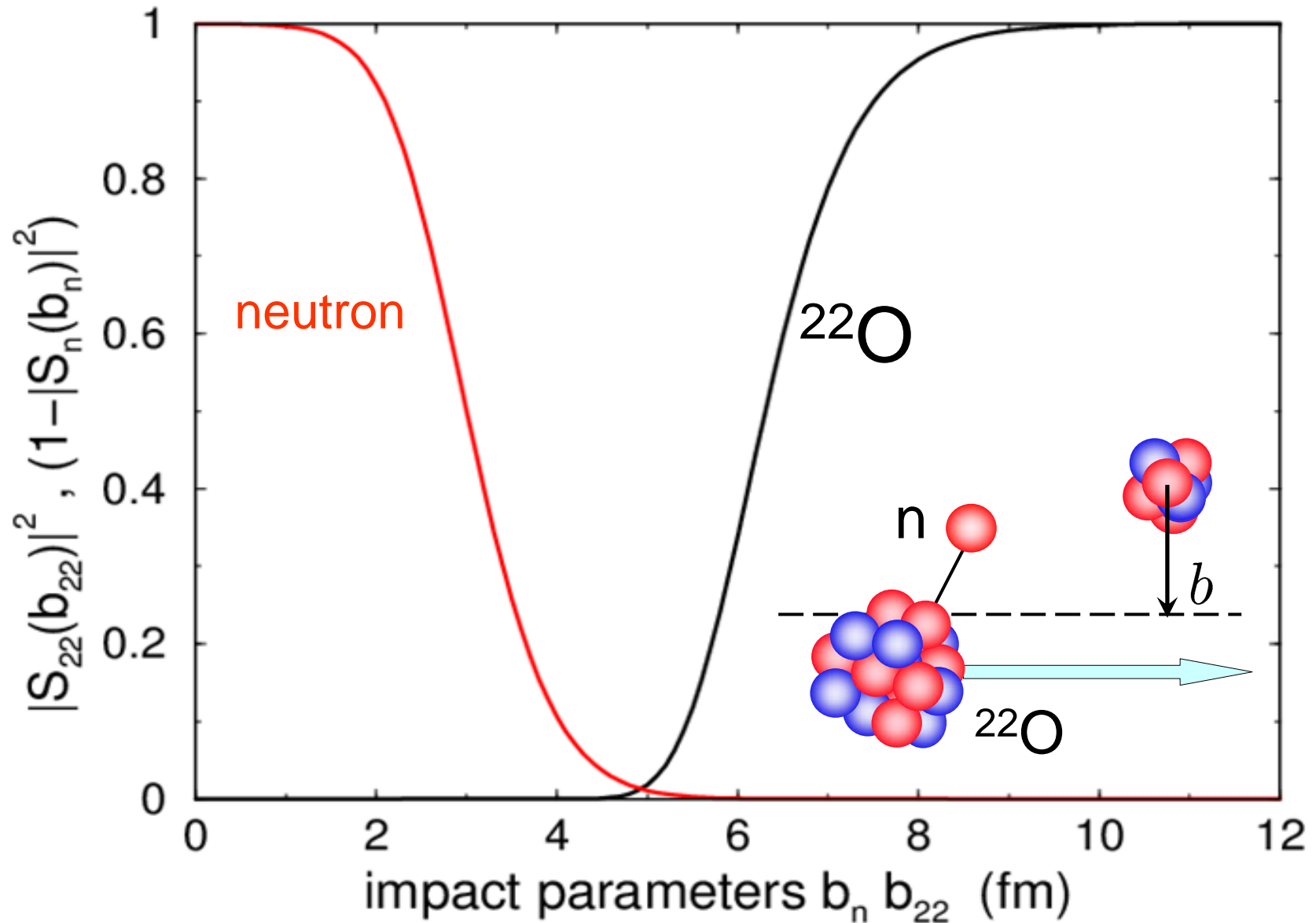
at 72 MeV/nucleon on a  $^{12}\text{C}$  target



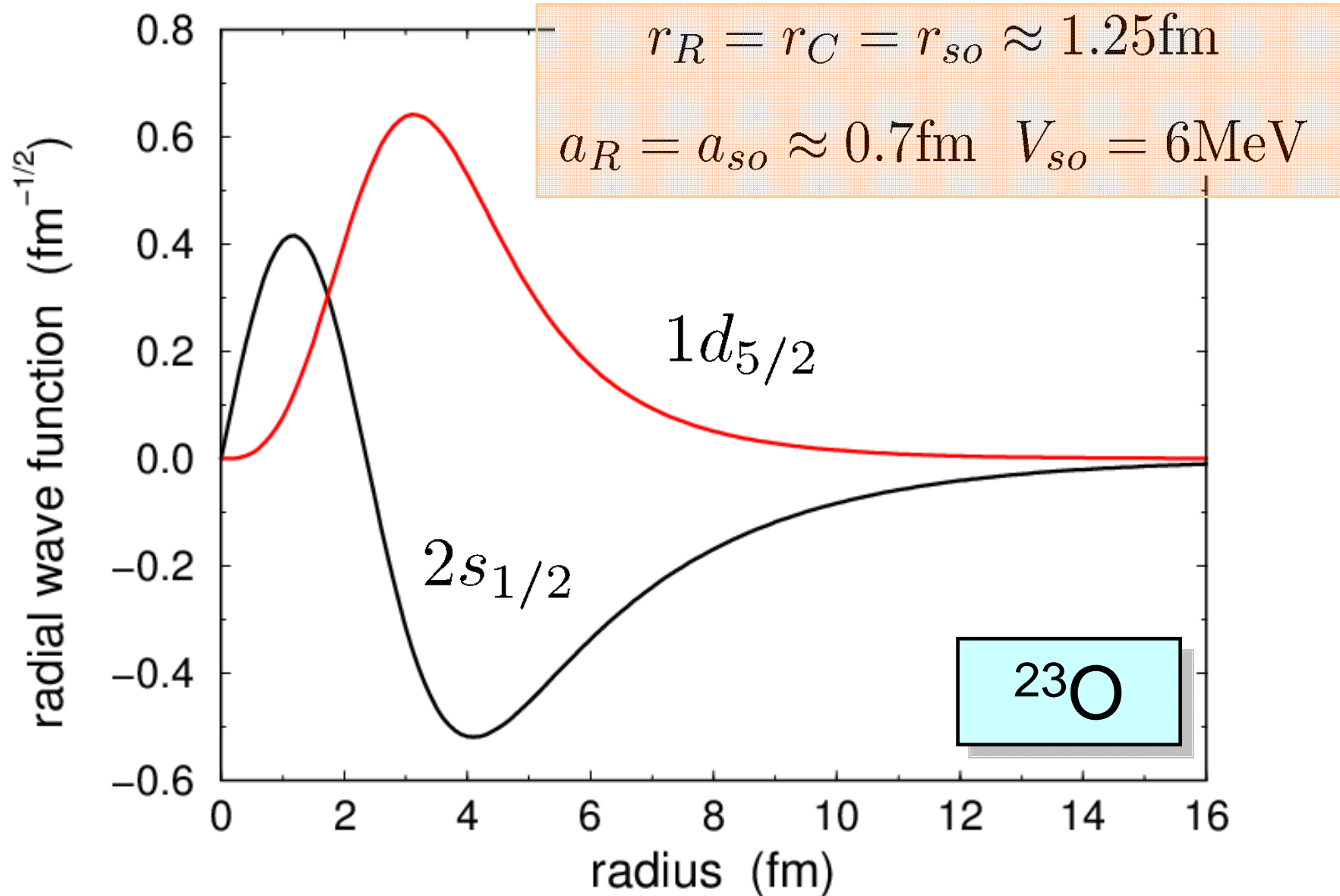
$$t_{NN}(r) = \left[ -\frac{\hbar v}{2} \sigma_{NN} (i + \alpha_{NN}) \right] f(r), \quad \int d\vec{r} f(r) = 1$$



# Eikonal S-matrix spatial selectivity

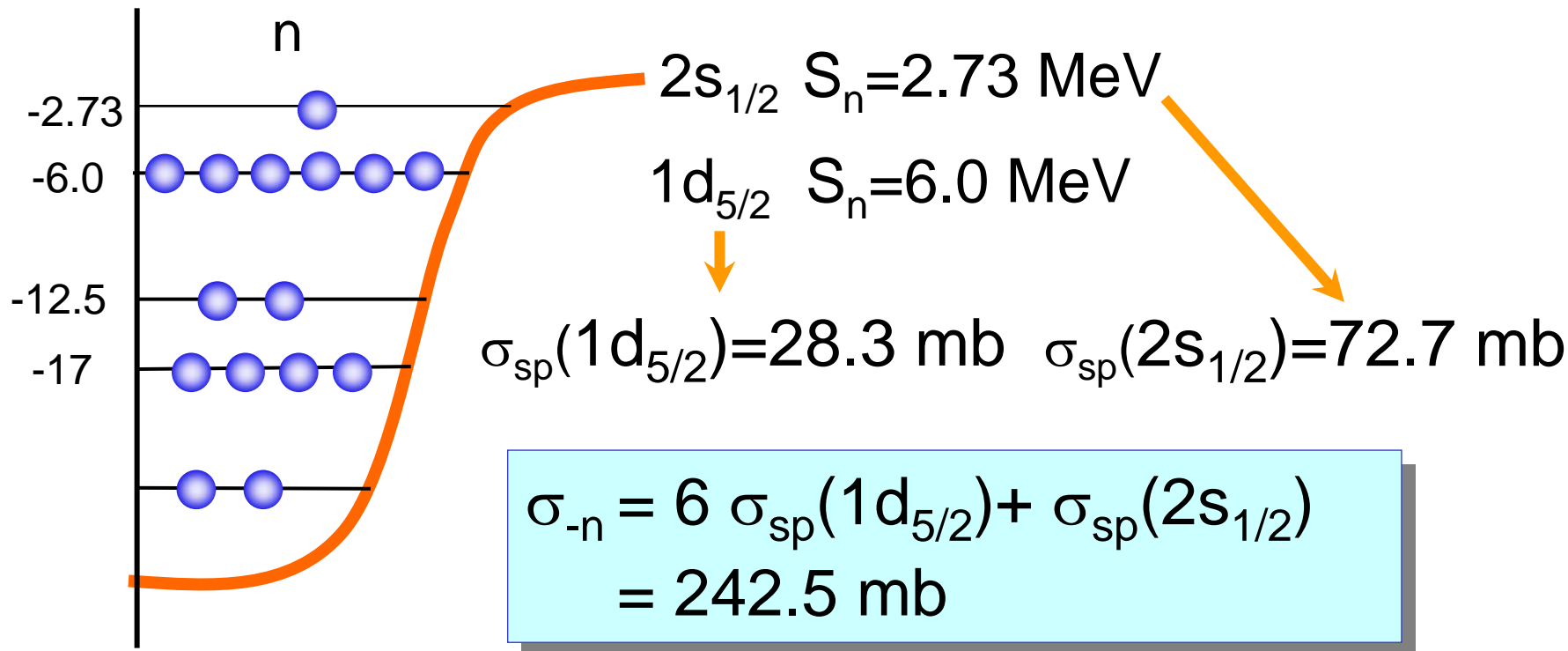


# Neutron bound state wave functions



## Orientation II – neutron knockout – cross sections

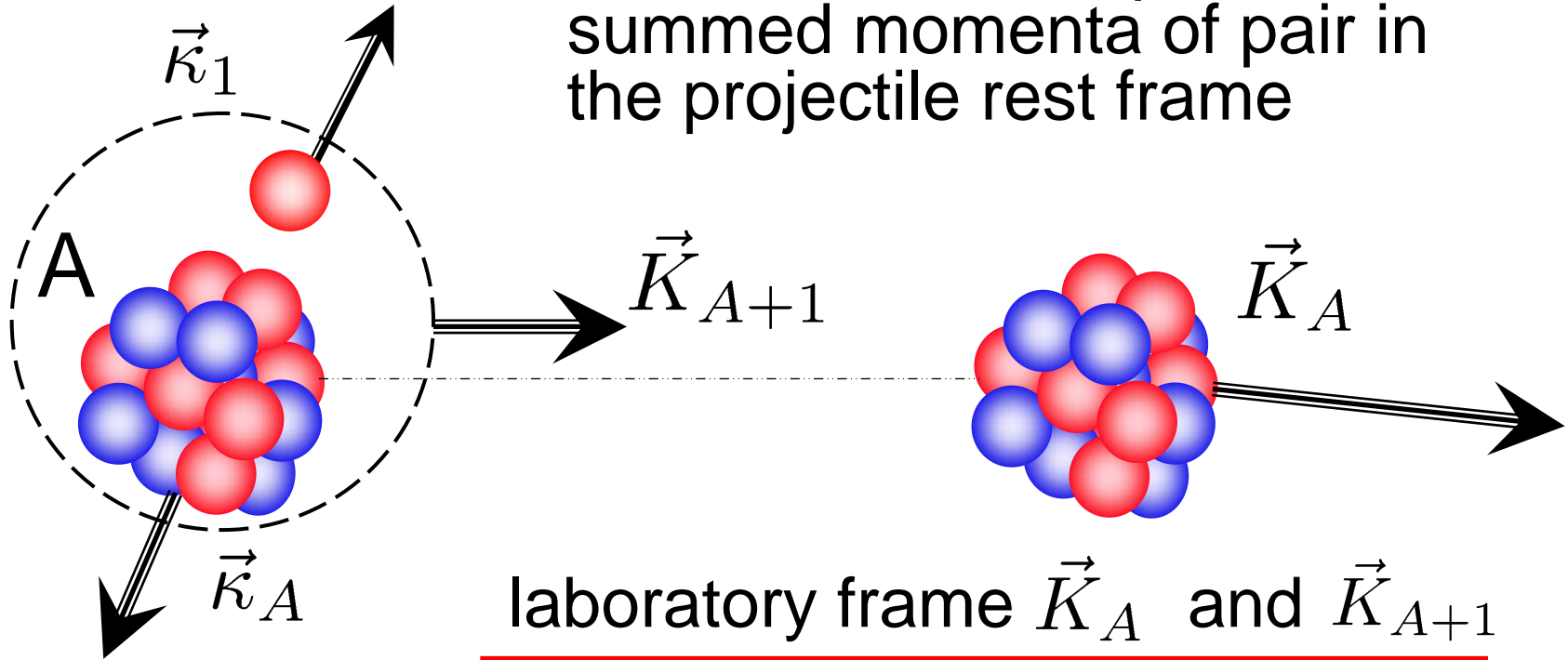
Single neutron removal from  $^{23}\text{O} \equiv [1d_{5/2}]^6 [2s_{1/2}]$



Measurement at RIKEN [Kanungo *et al.* PRL **88** ('02) 142502]  
at 72 MeV/nucleon on a  $^{12}\text{C}$  target;  $\sigma_{-n} = 233(37) \text{ mb}$

# Sudden 1N removal from the mass A residue

Sudden removal: residue momenta probe the summed momenta of pair in the projectile rest frame

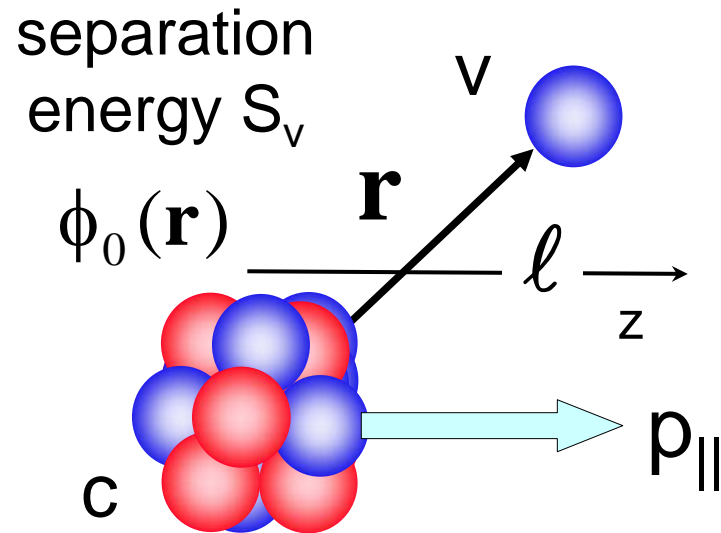


Projectile rest frame

$$\vec{K}_A = \frac{A}{A+1} \vec{K}_{A+1} - \vec{k}_1$$

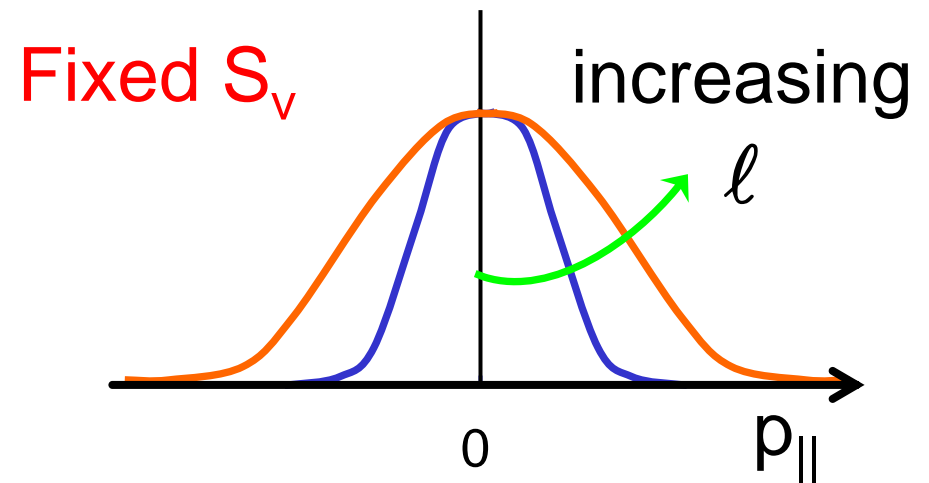
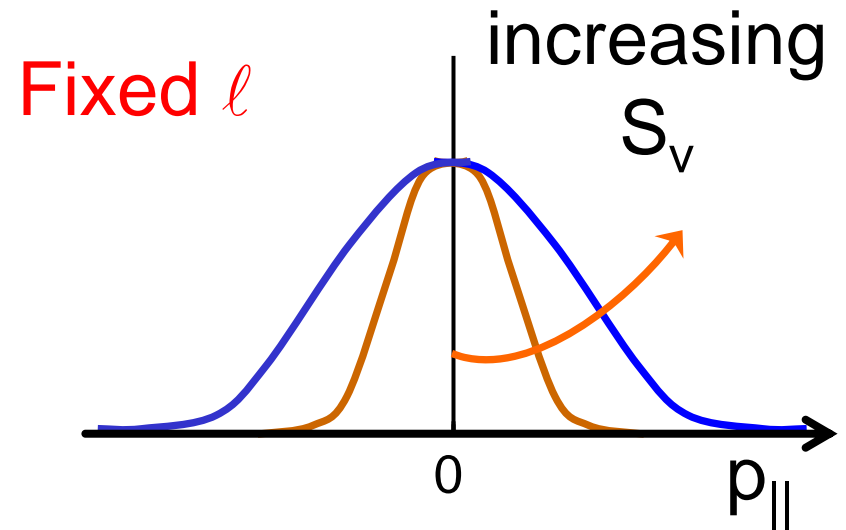
and component equations

# Measurement of the residue's momentum



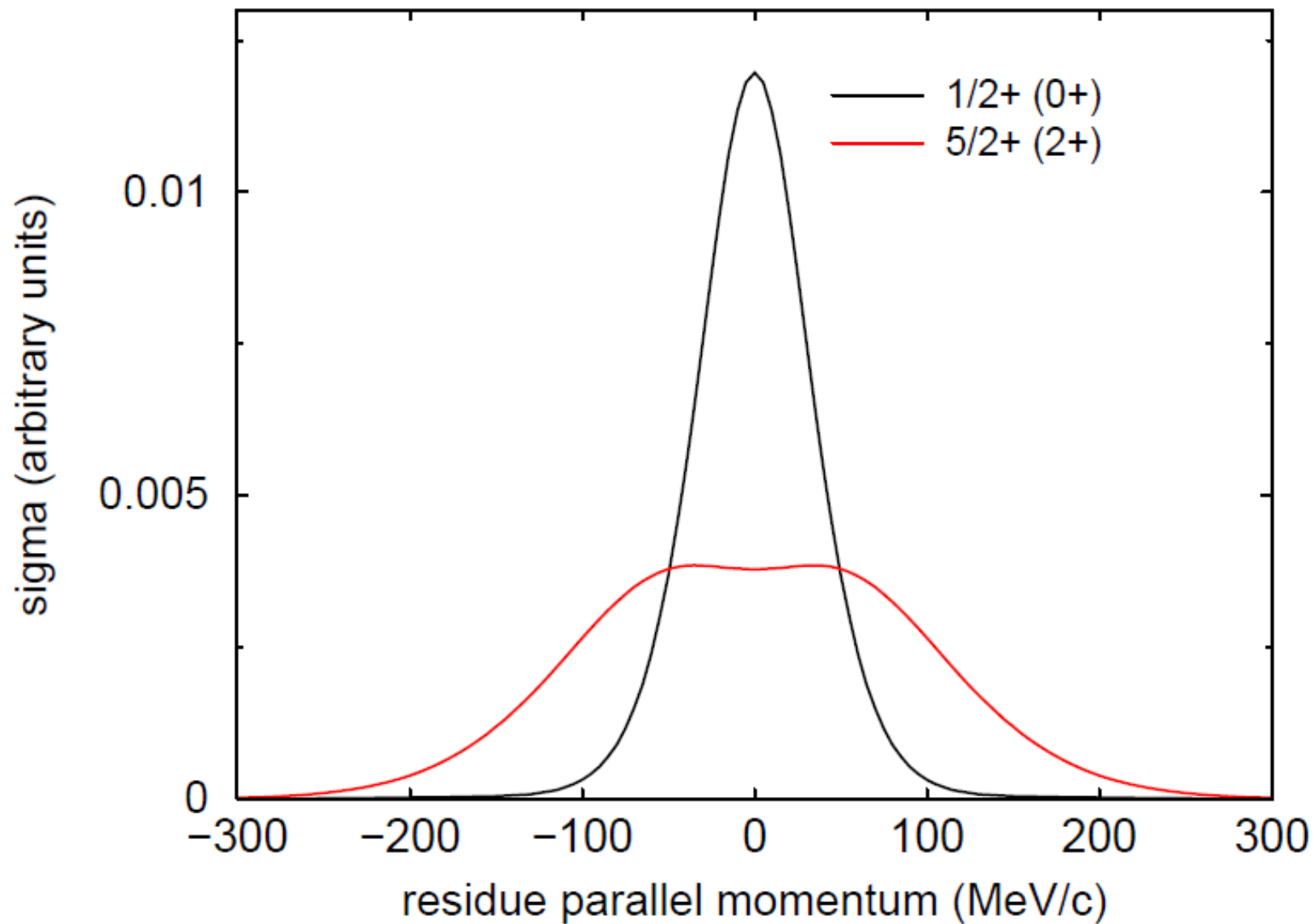
consider momentum components  $p_{||}$  of the core parallel to the beam direction, in the projectile rest frame

$$\Delta p \Delta z > \hbar/2$$



# Forward momentum distributions of $^{22}\text{O}$ residues

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End of Part II: thanks for your  
attention

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