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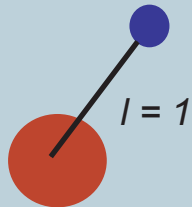
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Why ${}^5\text{H}$?

${}^4\text{H}$

$E \sim 3 \text{ MeV}$

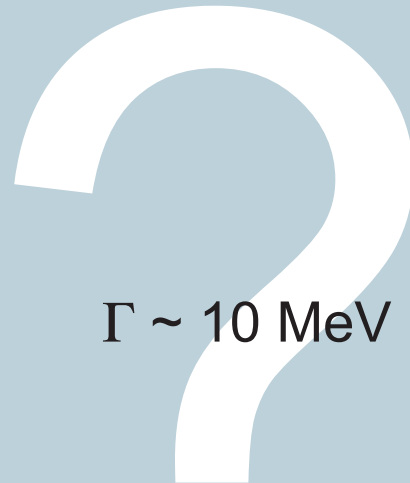
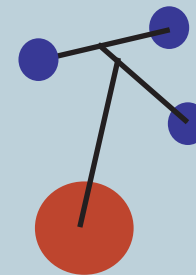
$\Gamma \sim 3 \text{ MeV}$



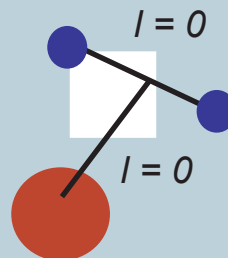
${}^6\text{H}$

$E \sim 2.7 \text{ MeV}$

$\Gamma \sim 1\text{-}2 \text{ MeV}$



$\Gamma \sim 10 \text{ MeV}$



[1] D.R. Tilley et al, Nucl. Phys. **A708** (2002) 3

Previous knowledge of ^5H

Most recent Experimental results

"Narrow"

[1] $^6\text{He}(p,2p)$; $E = 1.7(3)$, $\Gamma = 1.9(4)$ MeV

[2] $^3\text{He}(t,p)$; $E = 1.7(3)$, $\Gamma < 0.5$ MeV

"Broad"

[3] $^9\text{Be}(\pi^-,pt)$ and $^9\text{Be}(\pi^-,dd)$;
 $E = 5(1)$, $\Gamma = 3$ MeV

[1] A.A Korshennikov et al., Phys. Rev. Lett.
87 (2001) 092501

[2] G.M Ter-Akopian VII International School Seminar,
May 27 - June 1, 2002, Dubna, Book of Abstract
(2002) p. 87

[3] M.G. Gornov et al., LII meeting on Nuclear Spectroscopy
and Nuclear Structure, June 18-22, 2002, Moscow, Book
of Abstracts (2002) p. 70

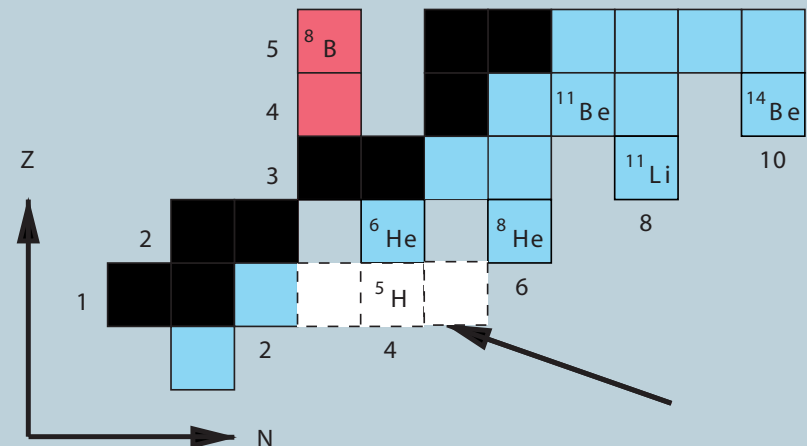
Most recent Theoretical predictions

[4] Three body microscopic calculations;
 $E = 2.5 - 3.0$, $\Gamma = 3 - 4$ MeV

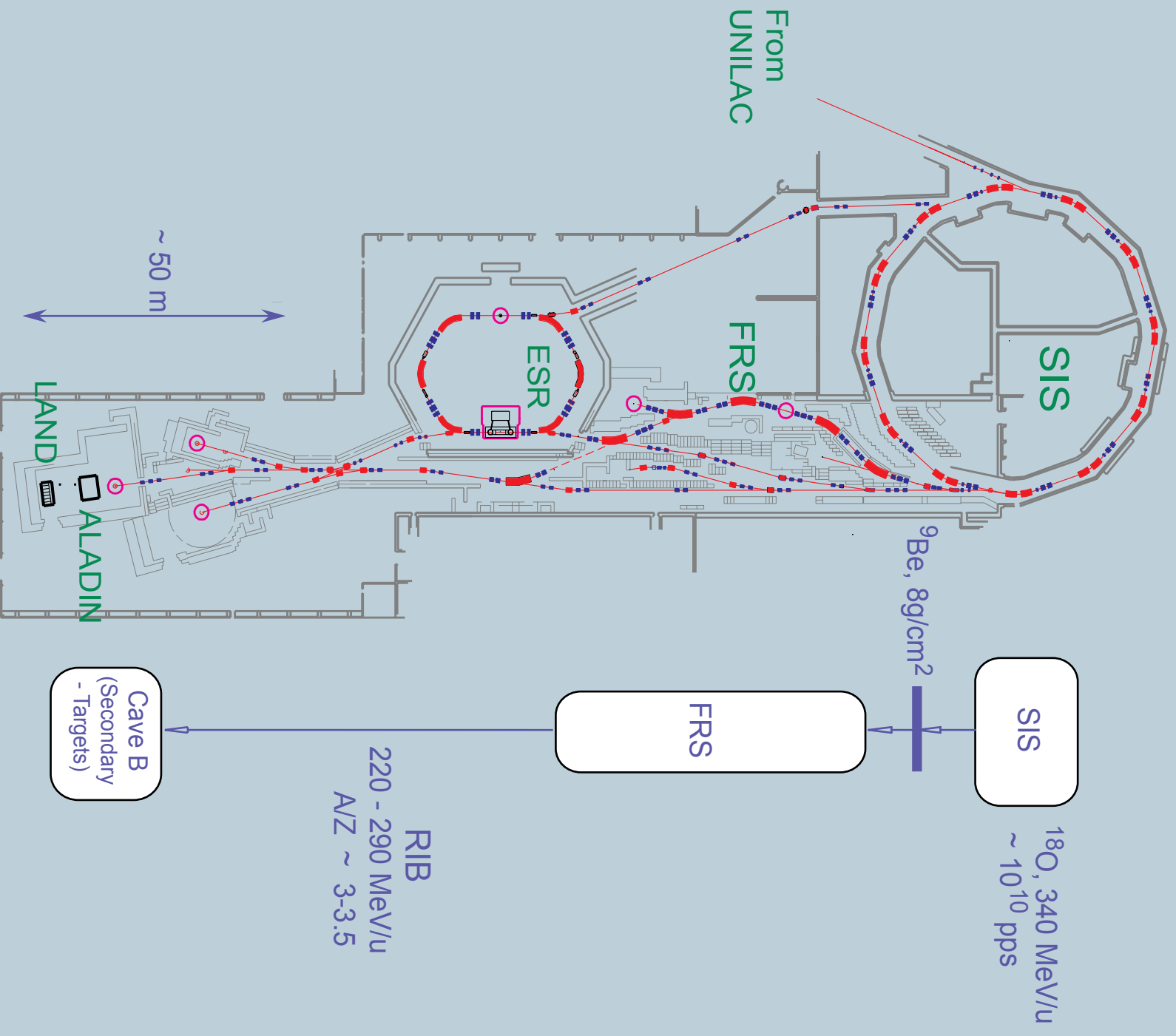
[5] Generator coordinate method;
 $E = 3$, $\Gamma_n = 1 - 4$ MeV

[4] N.B Shulgina et al., Phys. Rev. **C62** (2000) 014312

[5] P. Descouvemont, A. Kharbach, Phys. Rev. **C63**
(2001) 027001



5H in the $t+n+n$ system



ALADIN/LAND set-up in Cave B

Primary beam:

^{18}O @ 340 MeV/u

targets

8 g/cm² Be

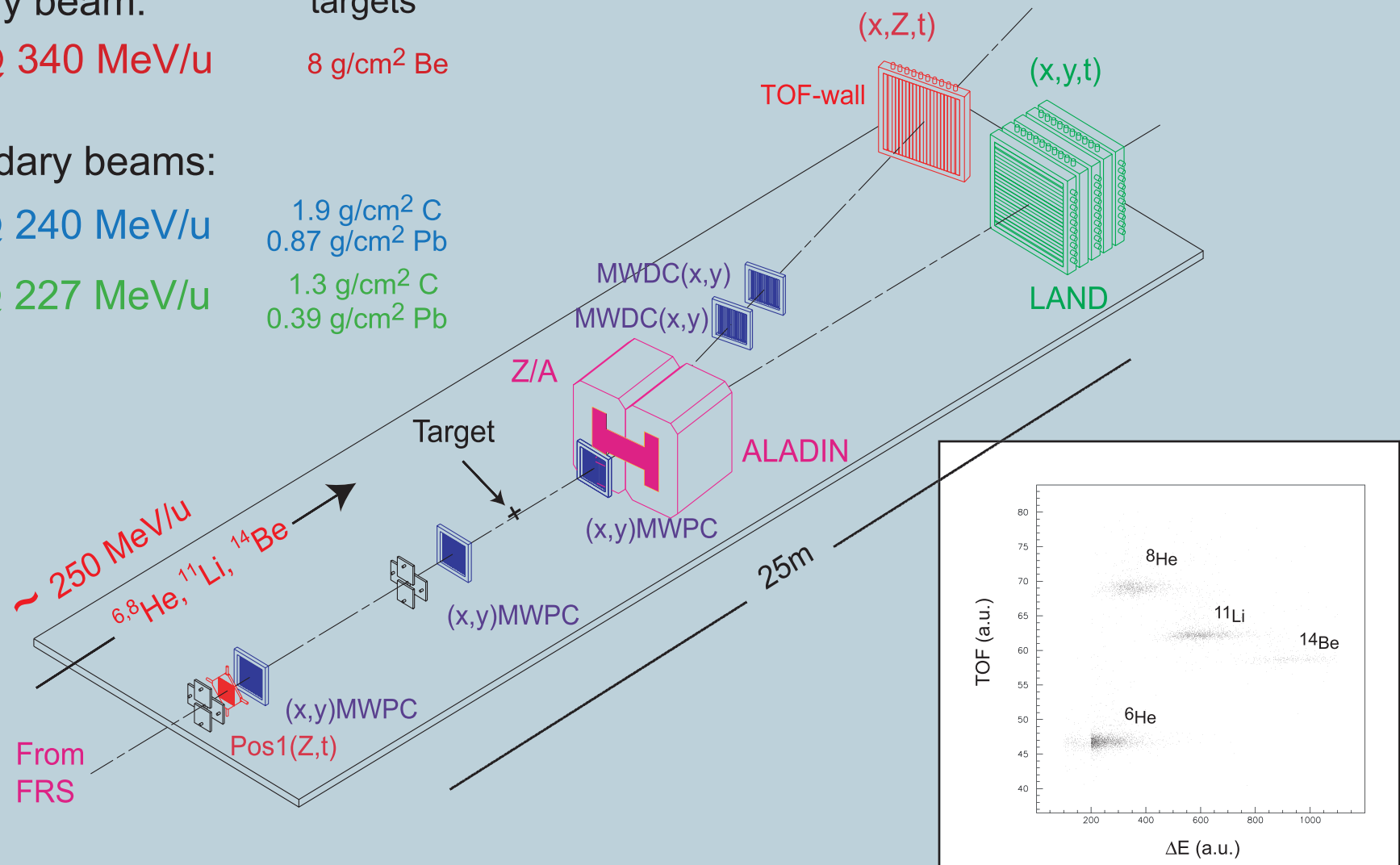
Secondary beams:

^6He @ 240 MeV/u

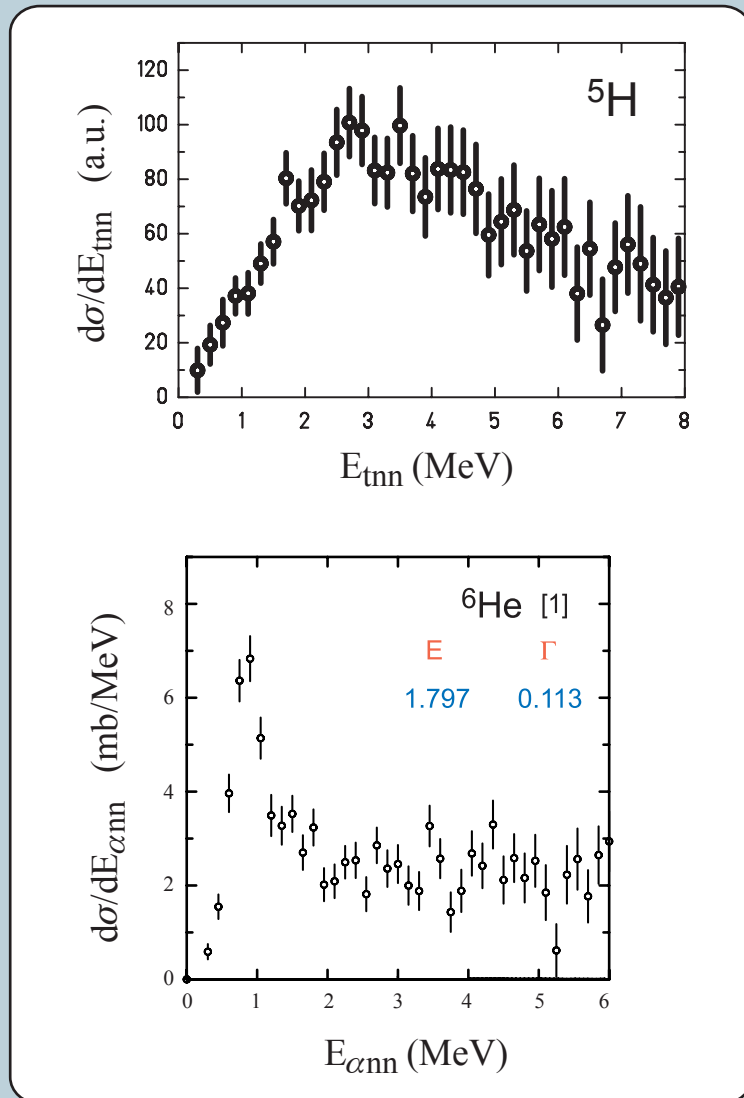
1.9 g/cm² C
0.87 g/cm² Pb

^8He @ 227 MeV/u

1.3 g/cm² C
0.39 g/cm² Pb



Relative Energy Spectra



Invariant mass spectroscopy:

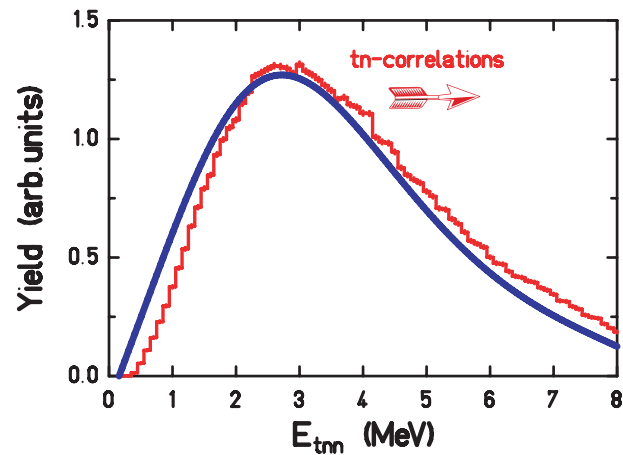
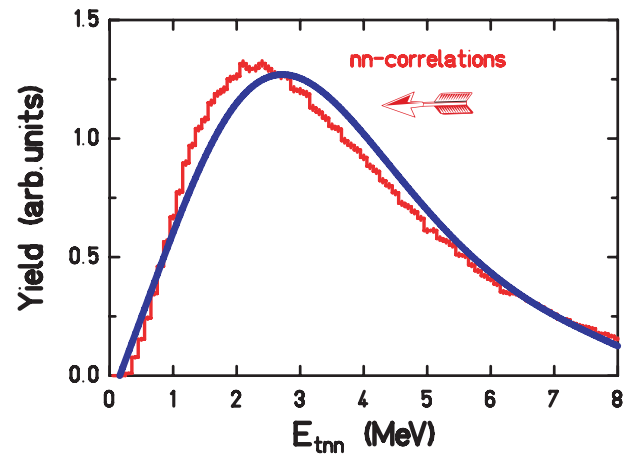
$$(M_{\text{inv}}c^2)^2 = (c\Sigma P_j)^2 = (M_{\text{proj}}c^2 + E^*)^2$$

$^6\text{He} \rightarrow \alpha + Xn, 8 \% \ 2n \text{ events}$

$^6\text{He} \rightarrow t + Xn, 23 \% \ 2n \text{ events}$

[1] T. Aumann et al., Phys. Rev. C59, (1999) 1252

Combinatorial spectra



$$\text{Invariant Mass} = f(\mathbf{p}_{n1}, \mathbf{p}_{n2}, \mathbf{p}_t)$$

We can create three types of mixed event spectra

- I. All particles mixed (blue)
- II. Triton events mixed, both neutrons from the same event
- III. Triton and one neutron from the same event

● nn correlation at low energy

● tn correlation at high energy

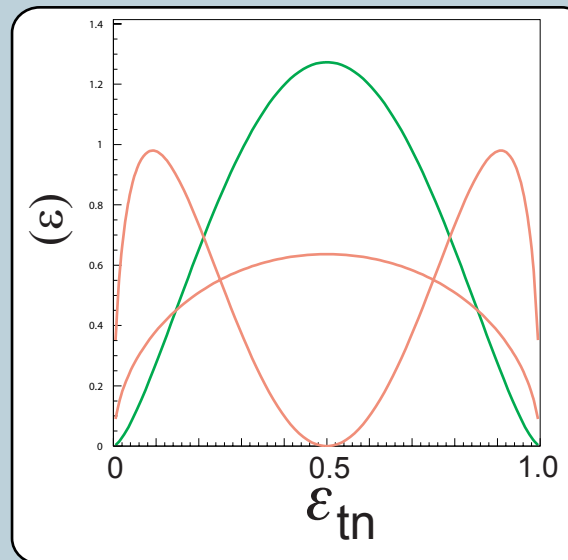
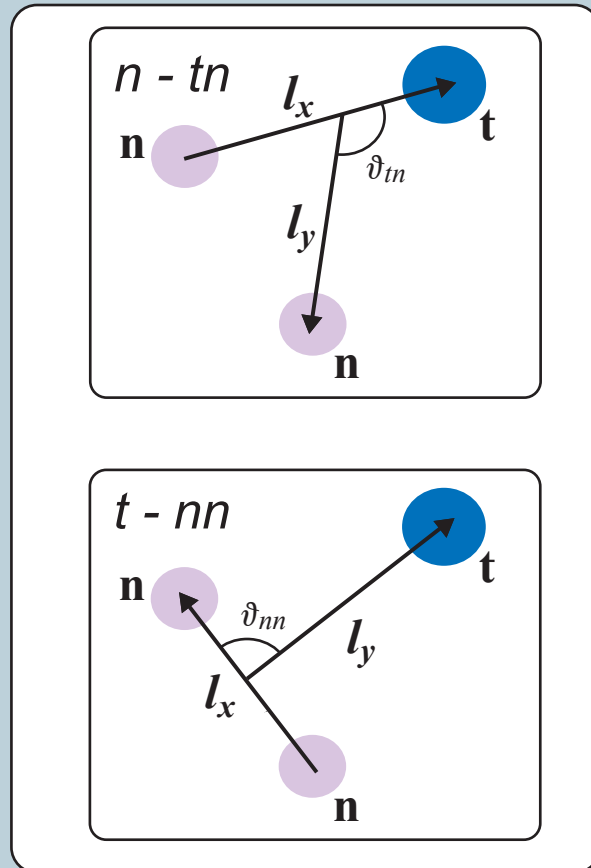
Jacobi - Coordinates

Hyperspherical Harmonics method [1,2]

$$(\epsilon, \vartheta) = 4/\pi \sqrt{\epsilon(1-\epsilon)} \left\{ 8\epsilon(1-\epsilon) \quad {}^2\mathfrak{A}_{1211}^2 \right. \\ \left. + \left| \mathcal{A}_{0000} + 2(2\epsilon-1)\mathcal{A}_{0200} + 4\sqrt{\epsilon(1-\epsilon)} \quad \mathfrak{A}_{0211} \right|^2 \right\}$$

Expansion with lowest harmonics $K=0,2$

$$K = l_x + l_y + 2n \quad (n=0,1,2\dots)$$

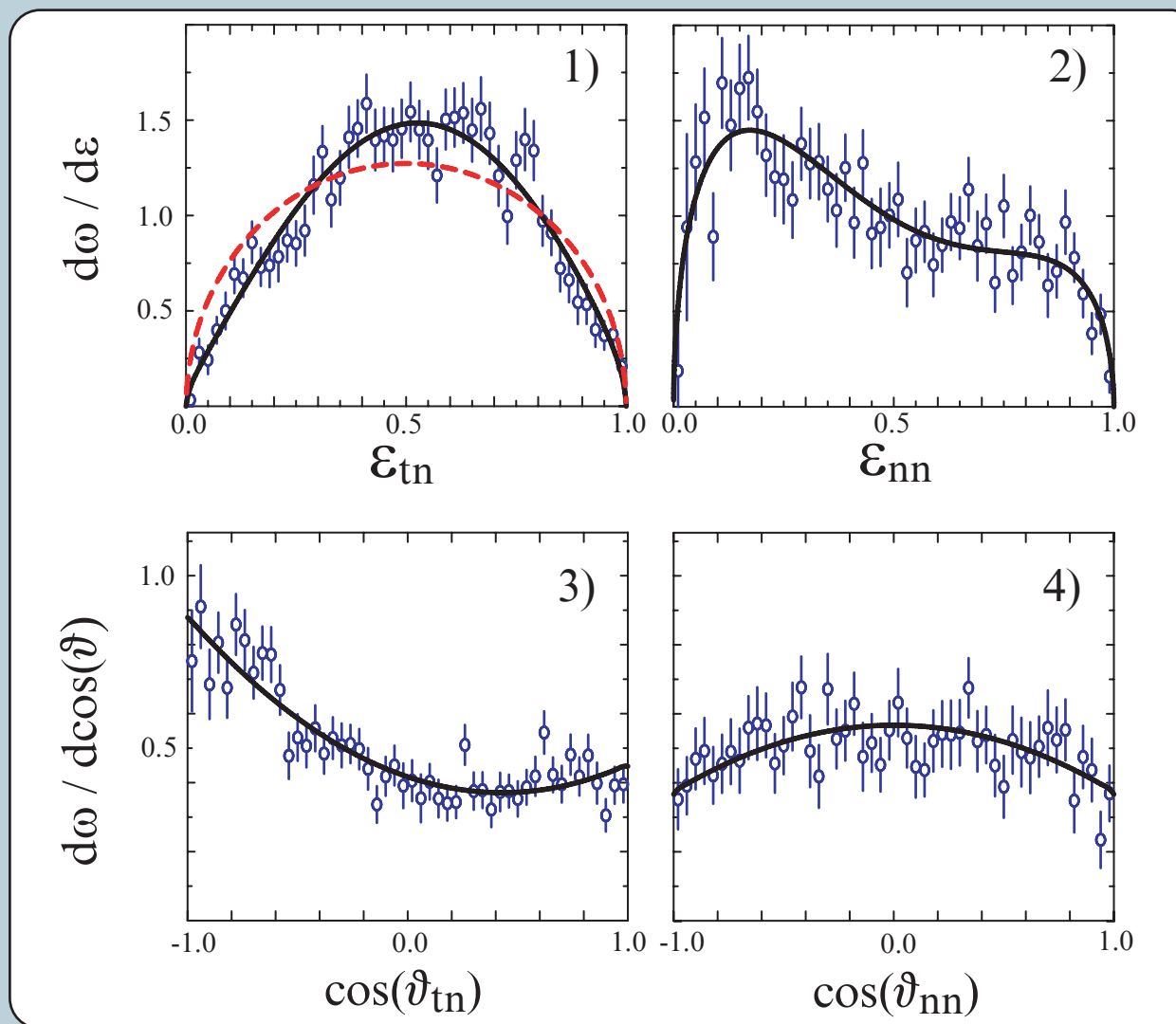


S	K	l_x	l_y
0	2	0	0
0	0	0	0
0	2	1	1

[1] L.M. Delves, Nucl. Phys. **20** (1960) 275

[2] O.V. Bochkarev et al, Nucl. Phys. **A505** (1989) 215

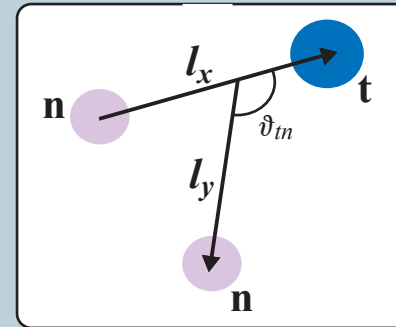
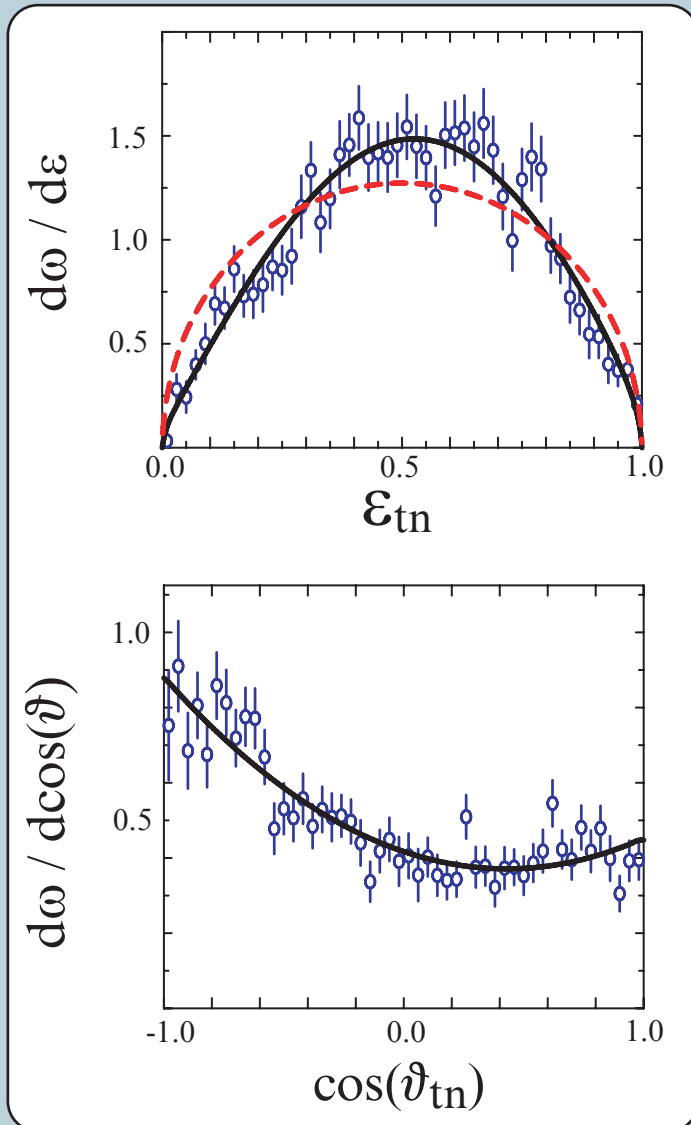
Energy and Angular correlations



Simultaneous fit of all 4 spectra

^5H in the $t+n+n$ system

Energy and angular correlations in the $n - tn$ system



$$\varepsilon_{tn} = E_{tn} / E_{tnn}$$

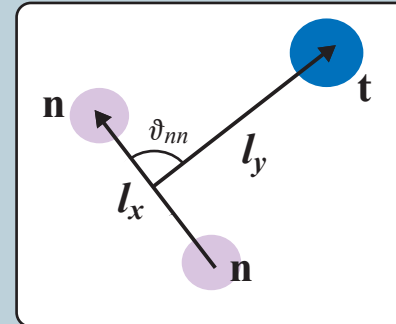
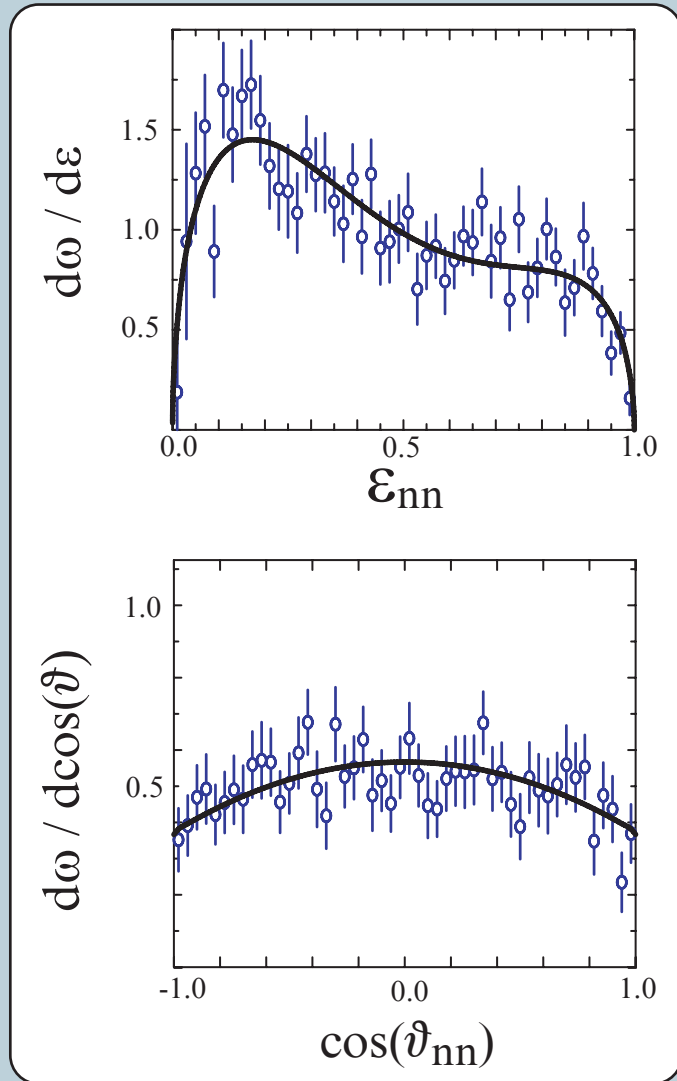
$$d\sigma / d\varepsilon \sim \varepsilon^{l_x+1/2} (1-\varepsilon)^{l_y+1/2} \quad [1]$$

- Interference effects
- Strong *neutron - neutron* correlation

[1] L.M. Delves, Nucl. Phys. **20** (1960) 275

^5H in the $t+n+n$ system

Energy and angular correlations in the $t - nn$ system



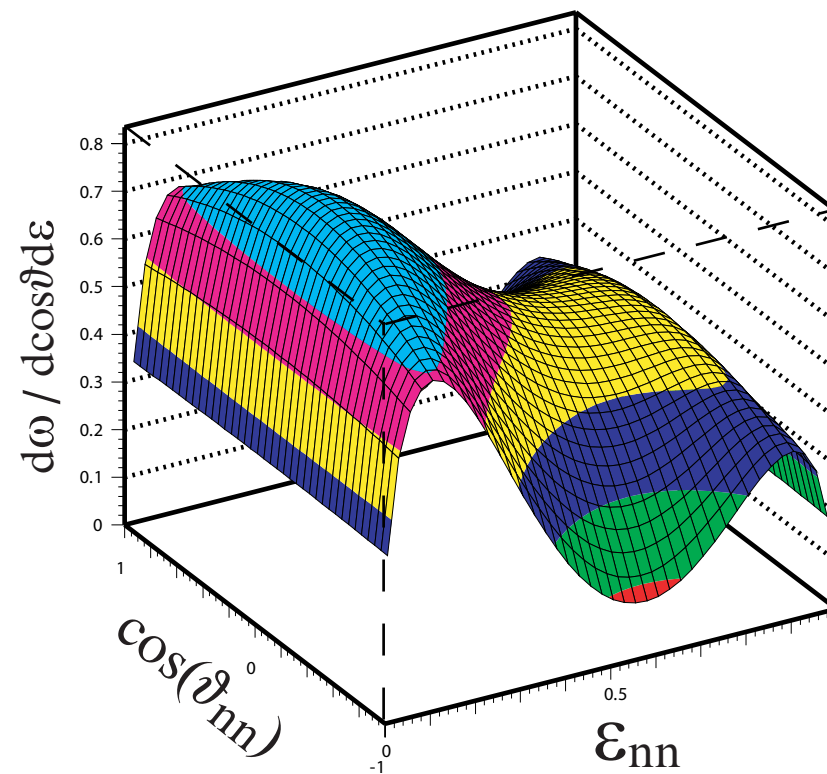
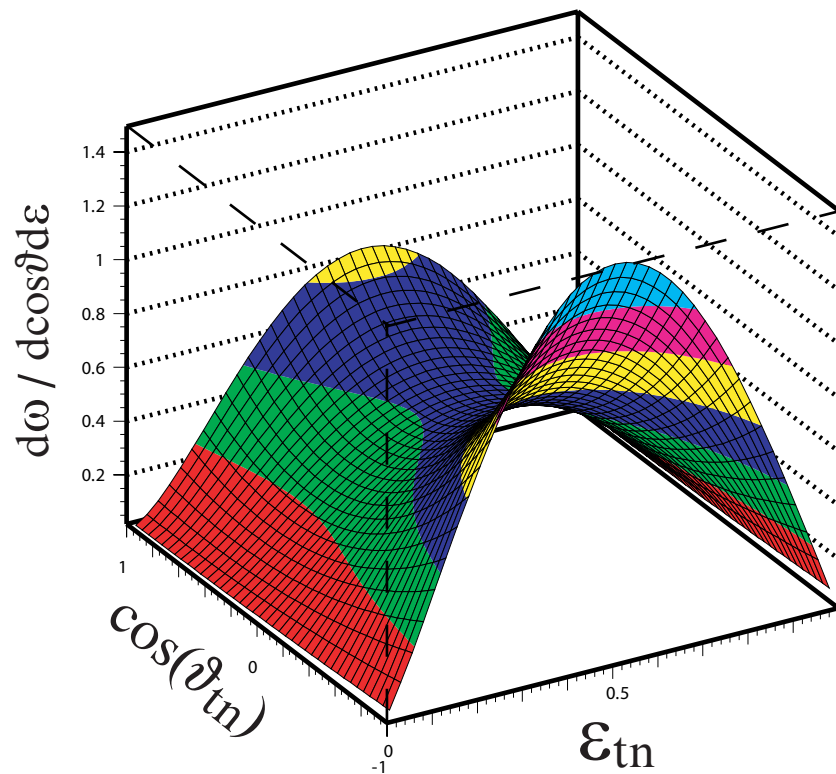
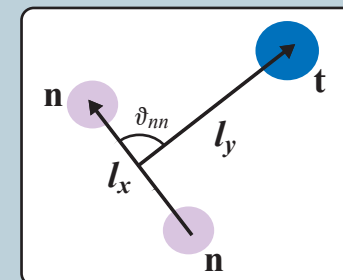
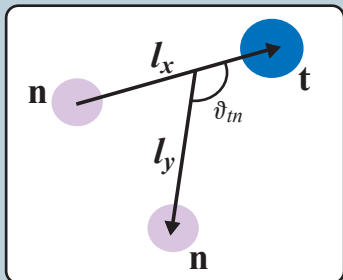
$$\varepsilon_{nn} = E_{nn} / E_{tnn}$$

● Strong *neutron - neutron* correlation

Extracted weights $C_{SKl_xl_y}$ in the t - nn system

0000	0200	1211
18(3)%	45(3)%	37(4)%

Energy and Angular Correlations in two dimensions



Comparison with nuclei close by

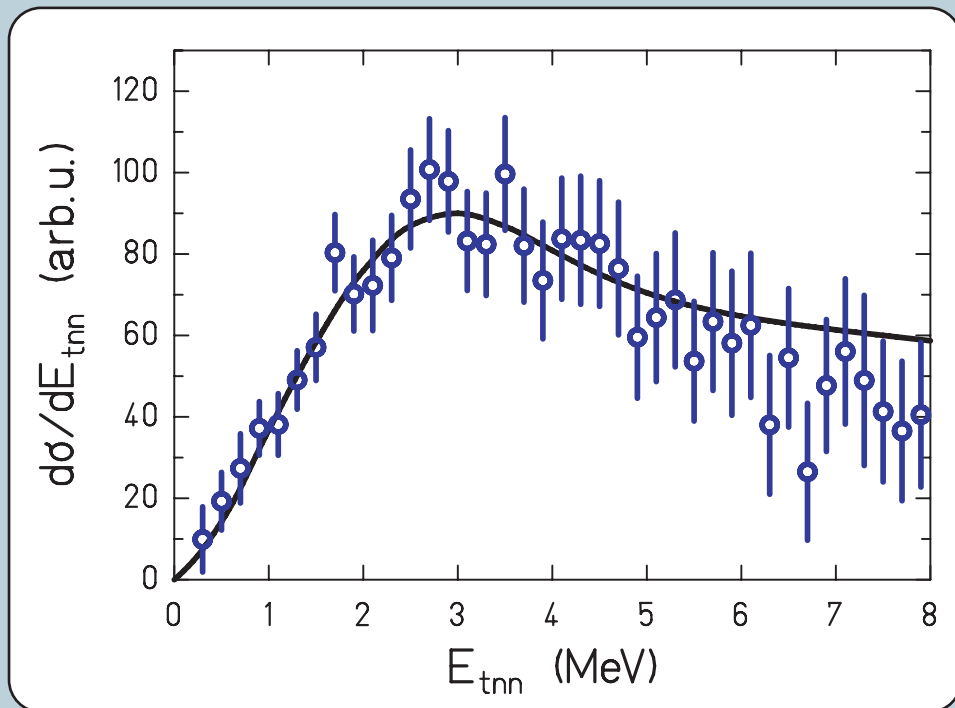
Weights of the HH components in the $t-nn$ configuration

Config	0000(%)	0200(%)	1211(%)	Ref.
^6He	4	78	15	[1] <i>the.</i>
^6Be	6(5)	44(12)	50(17)	[2] <i>exp.</i>
^5H	18(3)	45(3)	37(4)	Present

- Strong evidence for population of the $1/2^+$ ground state in ^5H

[1] B.V. Danilin et al., Nucl. Phys. **A632** (1998) 383
[2] O.V. Bochkarev et al, Nucl. Phys. **A505** (1989) 215

Interpretation of the relative energy spectrum



- Distribution described well by microscopic dynamical calculations for the $1/2^+$ ground state [1], solid line.
- di-neutron decay dominates at low energy
- sequential neutron emission determines the spectrum at higher energy

[1] N.B Shulgina et al., Phys. Rev. **C62** (2000) 014312

Conclusions

- Broad distribution centered at 3 MeV, width ~ 5 MeV
- Described well by microscopic dynamical calculations and in reasonable agreement with recent experiments
- nn , nt correlations responsible for different parts of the relative energy spectrum
- No narrow resonances in the $t + n + n$ system!

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