

The Gamow Shell Model

Towards the unified theory of nuclear structure and reactions

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Content:

- Introduction and recent advances in nuclear theory
- Continuum Shell Model and Gamow Shell Model
- Interplay between Hermitian and anti-Hermitian couplings
 - exceptional points, segregation of time scales, one-nucleon spectroscopic factors involving weakly- and strongly-bound nucleons
- Coupled channel formulation of the Gamow Shell Model
- Unified description of structure and reactions: (p,p'), (p/n,g), (d,p)
- Outlook

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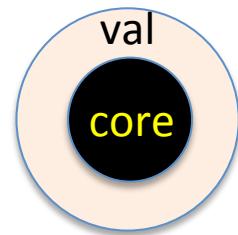
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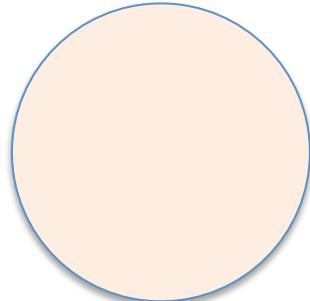
Evolution of paradigms

- In medium nucleon-nucleon interaction from basic principles;
3-body interactions
- *Ab initio* many-body theories for structure and reactions
(GFMC, NCSM/RGM, NCGSM, CC,...)
- Nuclear shell model for open quantum systems;
structure and reactions in the low-energy continuum

$SM \rightarrow CCEI$

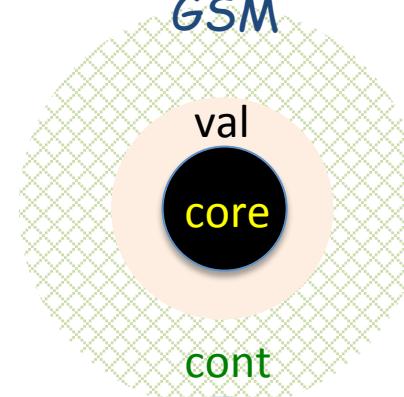


NCSM/CCT

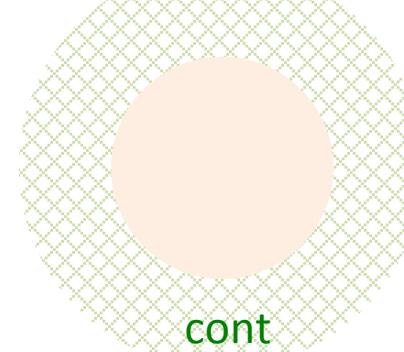


Ab initio approach: GFMC, NCSM, CC

GSM



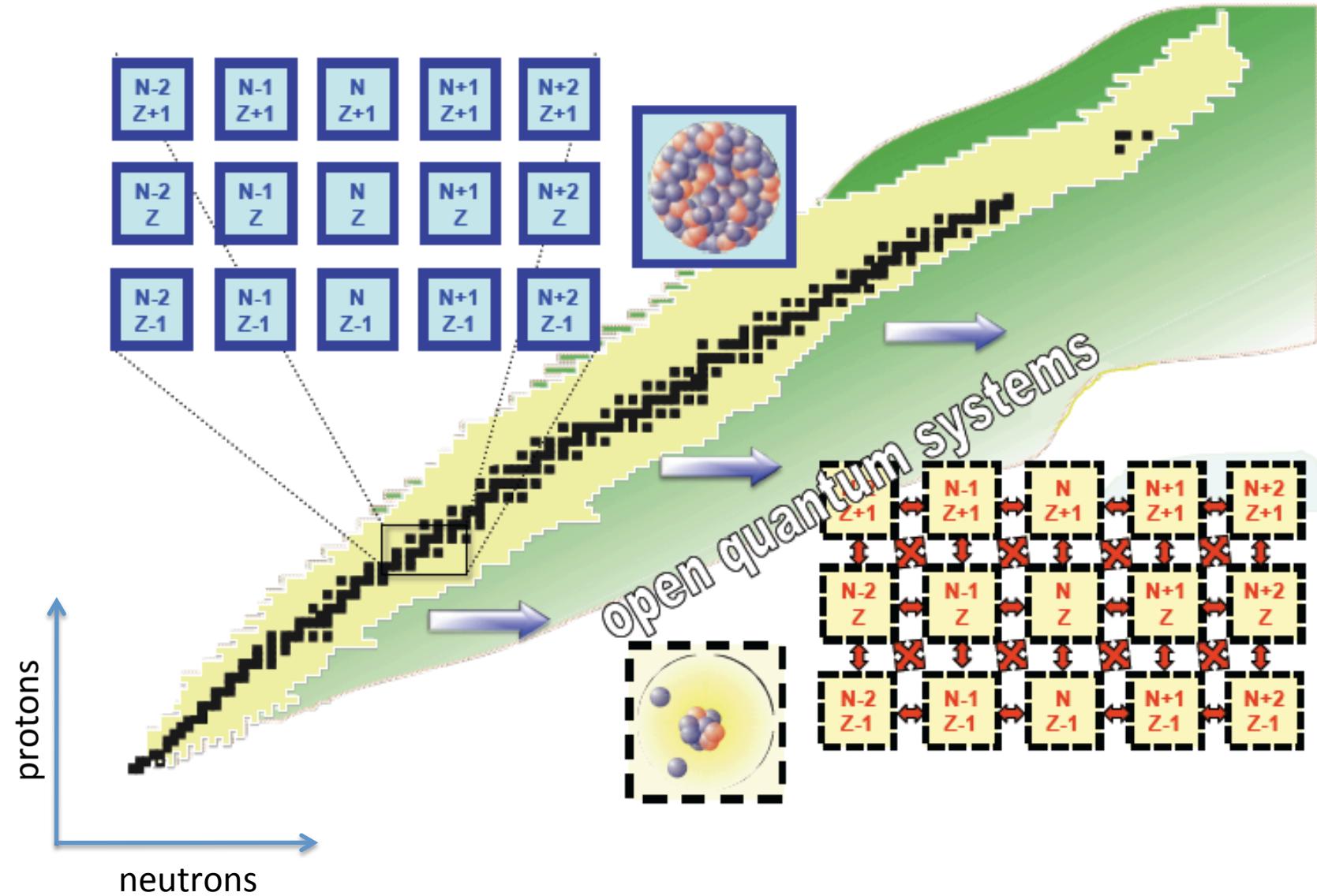
NCGSM



Ab initio approach: NCGSM, CC(B)

Challenges for the theory

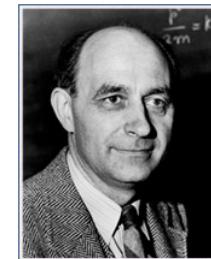
- How to reconcile shell model with reaction models?
- Weakly bound systems; role of continuum...
How to deal with non-localities due to the coupling to decay channels
and the antisymmetrization
- How to handle multi-configuration effects in reaction theory
- How to understand (optical) potentials from microscopic interactions
- ...



- Network of many-body systems coupled via the continuum
- Emergence of new scale(s) related to the threshold(s)

How it all begun...?

Shell model describes atomic nuclei as the closed quantum system
i.e. coupling to decay channels are neglected



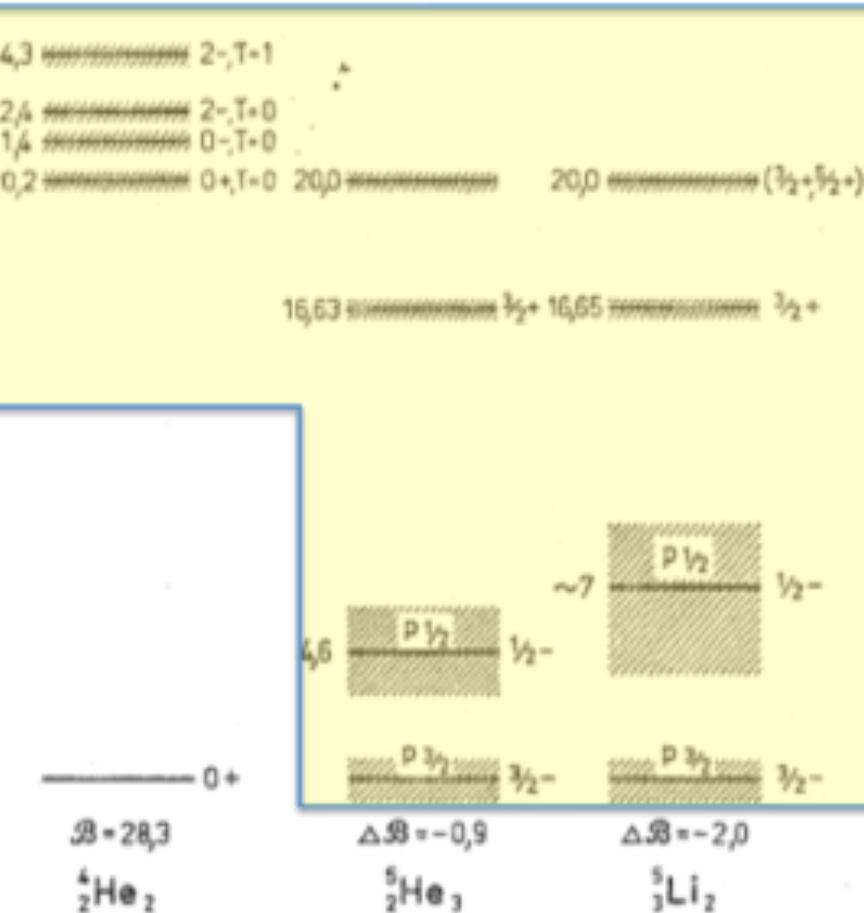
Enrico Fermi



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Role of boundary conditions in universal properties
of reaction cross-sections at the threshold

E.P. Wigner (1948)



Eugene P. Wigner

To what extent the change in boundary conditions at the nuclear surface due to Coulomb wave function distortion in the external region can explain relative displacement of states in mirror nuclei?

J.B. Ehrman (1950)



J.B. Ehrman

The exact coincidence of the energies of different configurations makes the ordinary perturbation theory inadequate, so that special procedures are required...

U. Fano (1961)



U. Fano

The resolution of these inconsistencies took ~40 years and required:

- New mathematical concepts: Rigged Hilbert Space (≥ 1964),...
- Generalized completeness relation including s.p. bound states, resonances, and scattering states (~1968)
- Gamow Shell Model (~2002)



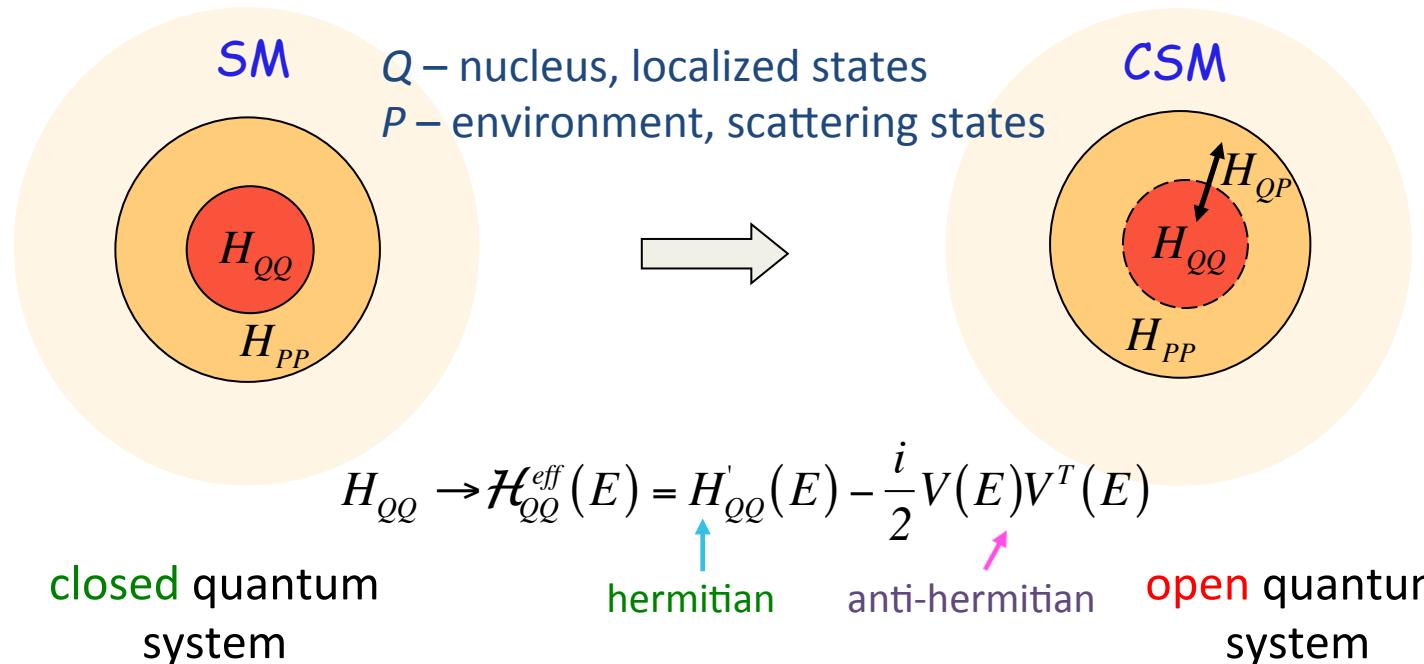
T. Berggren

Continuum shell model with the real-energy continuum



H. Feshbach

Shell Model Embedded in the Continuum (SMEC)



For bound states: $E_\alpha(E)$ is real and $E_\alpha(E) = E$

For unbound states: physical resonances = poles of S-matrix

C. Mahaux, H.A. Weidenmüller, *Shell Model Approach to Nuclear Reactions* (1969)

H.W. Bartz et al, Nucl. Phys. A275 (1977) 111

R.J. Philpott, Nucl. Phys. A289 (1977) 109

K. Bennaceur et al, Nucl. Phys. A651 (1999) 289

J. Rotureau et al, Nucl. Phys. A767 (2006) 13

Coupling of 'internal' (in Q) and 'external' (in P) states induces effective A-particle correlations and determines the structure of many-body states

Quasi-stationary extension of the shell model in the complex k-plane

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Phi(r,t) = \hat{H}\Phi(r,t) \quad \Phi(r,t) = \tau(t)\Psi(r)$$

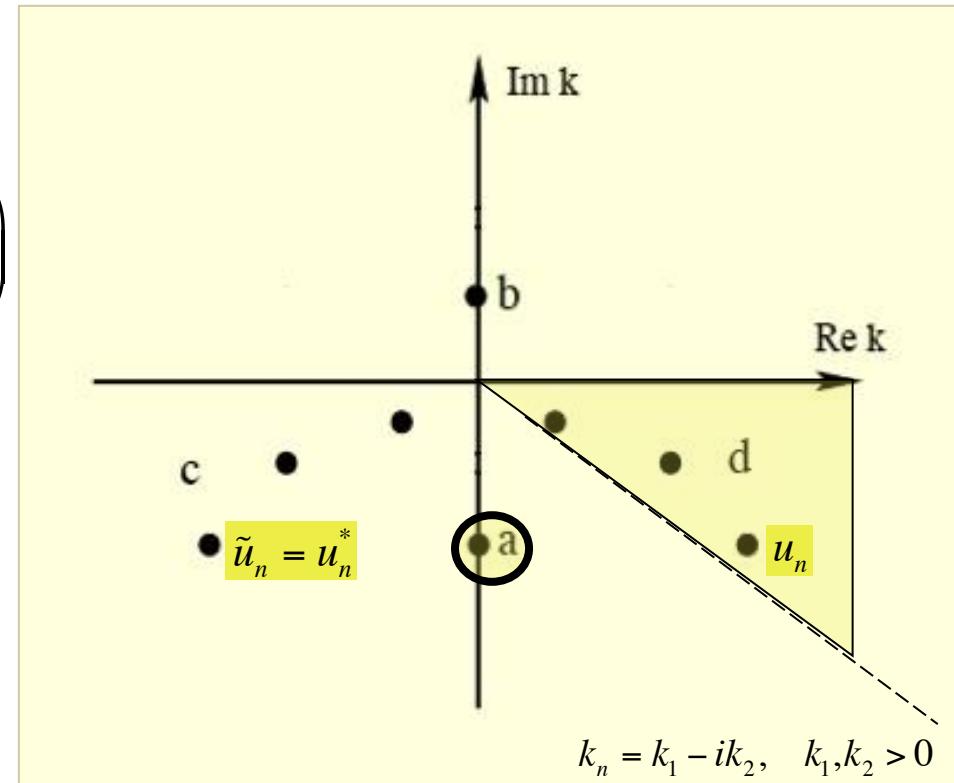
$$\hat{H}\Psi = \left(e - i \frac{\Gamma}{2} \right) \Psi \quad \rightarrow \quad \tau(t) = \exp\left(-i\left(e - i \frac{\Gamma}{2}\right)t\right)$$

$$\Psi(0,k) = 0, \quad \Psi(\vec{r},k) \xrightarrow[r \rightarrow \infty]{} O_l(kr)$$

$$k_n = \sqrt{\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \left(e_n - i \frac{\Gamma_n}{2} \right)}$$

Poles of the S-matrix:
Bound and antibound
states, resonances

Only bound states are integrable!



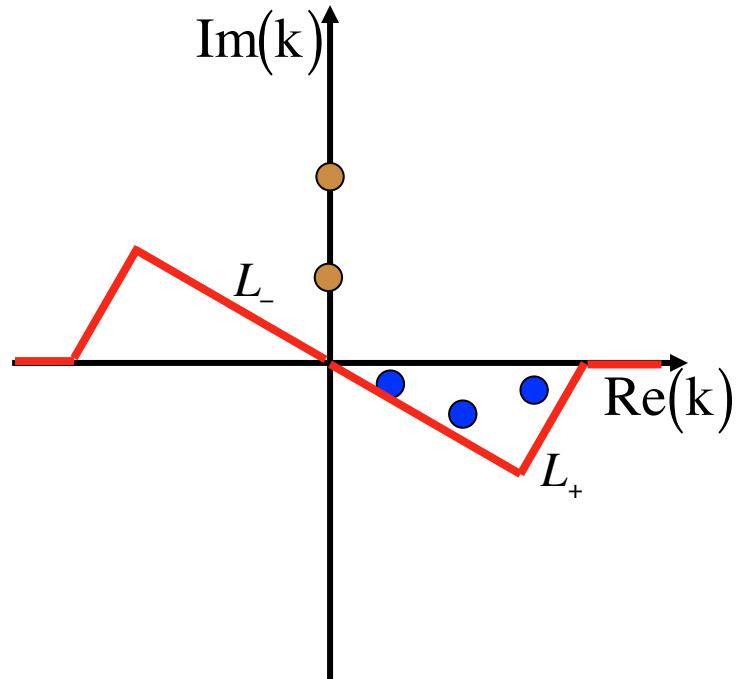
Euclidean inner product

$$\langle u_n | u_n \rangle = \int_0^\infty dr u_n^*(r) u_n(r) \xrightarrow[r \rightarrow \infty]{} e^{2k_2 r}$$

Rigged Hilbert space inner product

$$\langle \tilde{u}_n | u_n \rangle = \int_0^\infty dr \tilde{u}_n^*(r) u_n(r) \xrightarrow[r \rightarrow \infty]{} e^{2ir(k_1 - ik_2)}$$

Gamow Shell Model: Continuum shell model in the complex k-plane



$$H \rightarrow [H]_{ij} = [H]_{ji}$$

Complex-symmetric eigenvalue problem for hermitian Hamiltonian

$$\sum_n |u_n\rangle\langle\tilde{u}_n| + \int_{L_+} |u_k\rangle\langle\tilde{u}_k| dk = 1 ; \langle u_i | \tilde{u}_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$$

T. Berggren, Nucl. Phys. A109 (1968) 265
K. Maurin, Generalized Eigenfunction Expansion, Polish Scientific Publishers, Warsaw (1968)

bound states
resonances

non-resonant
continuum

$$|SD_i\rangle = |u_{i_1} \dots u_{i_A}\rangle \rightarrow \sum_k |SD_k\rangle \langle \tilde{S}D_k| \cong 1$$



Gamow Shell Model

N. Michel et al, PRL 89 (2002) 042502
R. Id Betan et al, PRL 89 (2002) 042501
N. Michel et al, PRC 70 (2004) 064311

Ab initio no-core GSM studies of resonances in $A < 8$ systems

G. Papadimitriou et al, PRC 88 (2013) 044318
K. Fossez et al., arXiv:1612.01483

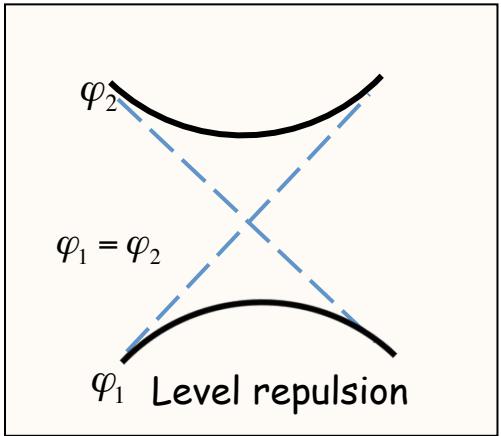
(see the talk of Bruce Barrett)

Interplay between hermitian and anti-hermitian couplings is a source of new phenomena

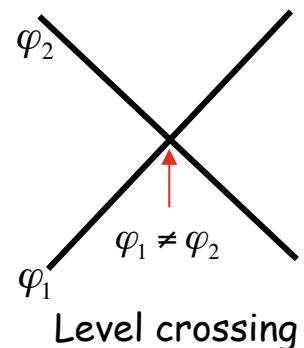
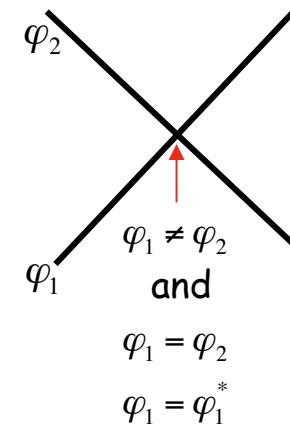
- Coalescence of eigenfunctions/eigenvalues (exceptional points)
Example: doublet of 3+ resonances in ${}^8\text{Be}$: 19.07(0.27) MeV and 19.23(0.23) MeV
- Segregation of time scales
- Collective phenomena:
 - (Multi)channel effects in reaction cross-section and shell occupancies
 - Instability of SM eigenstates at the channel threshold; near-threshold clustering
 - ...
- Violation of the orthogonal invariance and channel equivalence
- ...

Coalescence of eigenfunctions

Bound states (hermitian problem)



Resonances (non-hermitian problem)



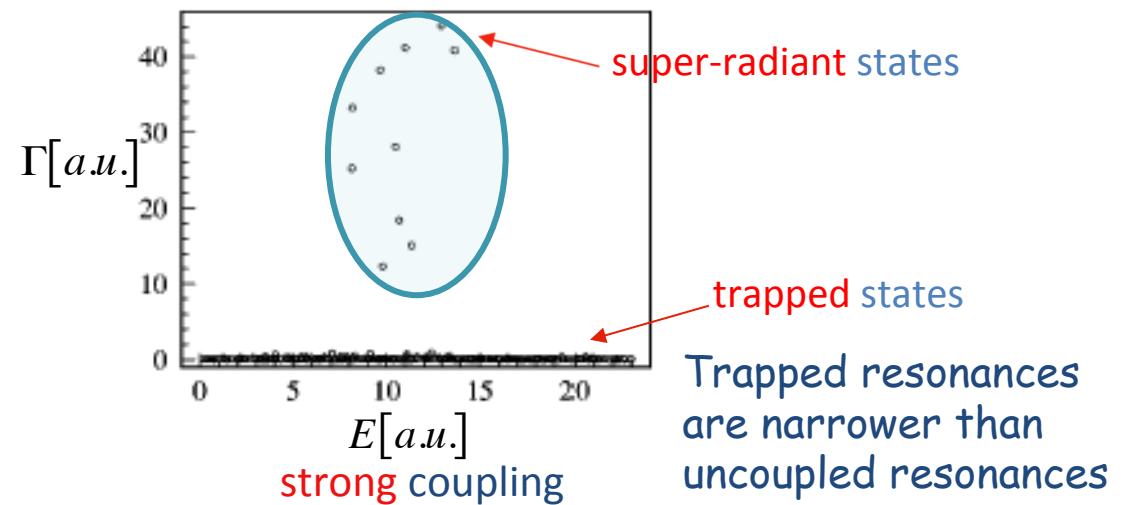
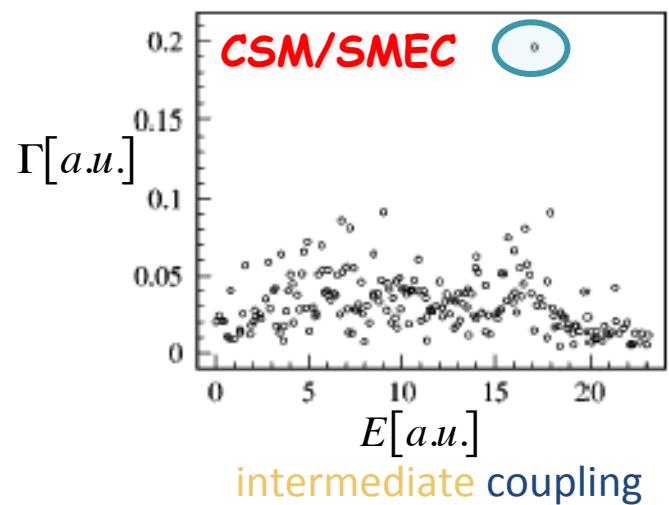
Resonances **coalesce** as a result of the interplay between hermitian and non-hermitian components of the residual interaction

M.R. Zirnbauer et al., Nucl. Phys. A411 (1983) 161
C. Dembowski et al., PRL 86 (2001) 787
PRL 90 (2003) 034101

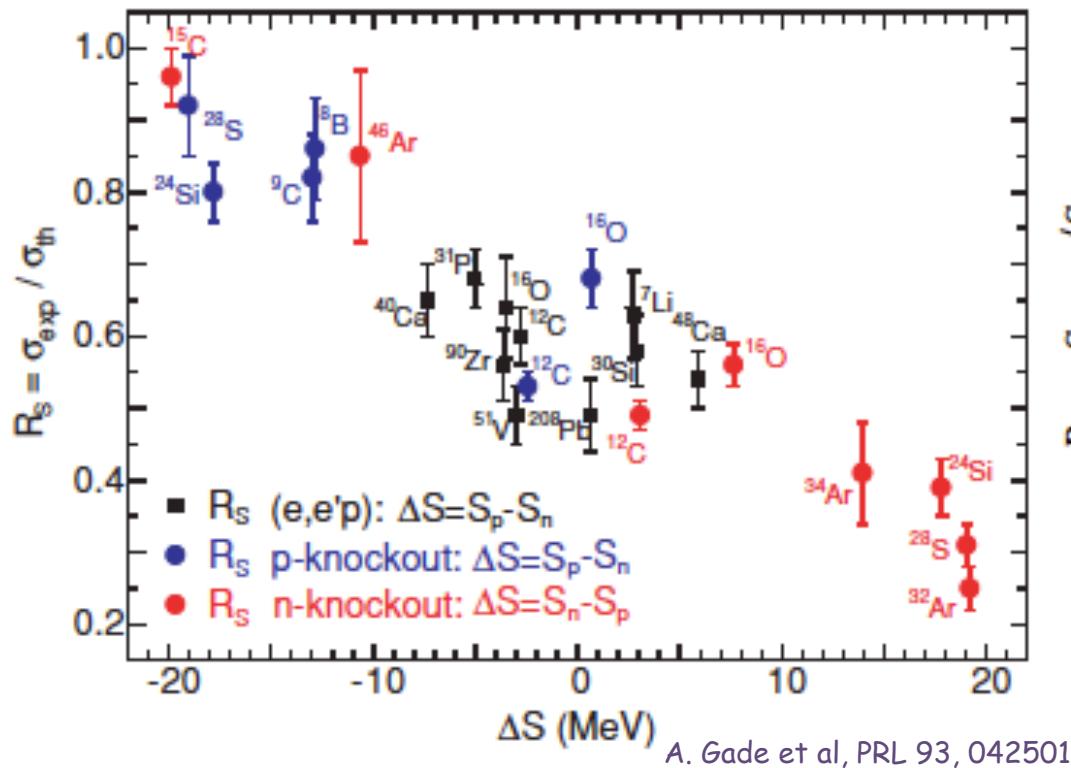
Segregation of time scales

$J=0^+$, $T=0$ states in ^{24}Mg , 10 channels

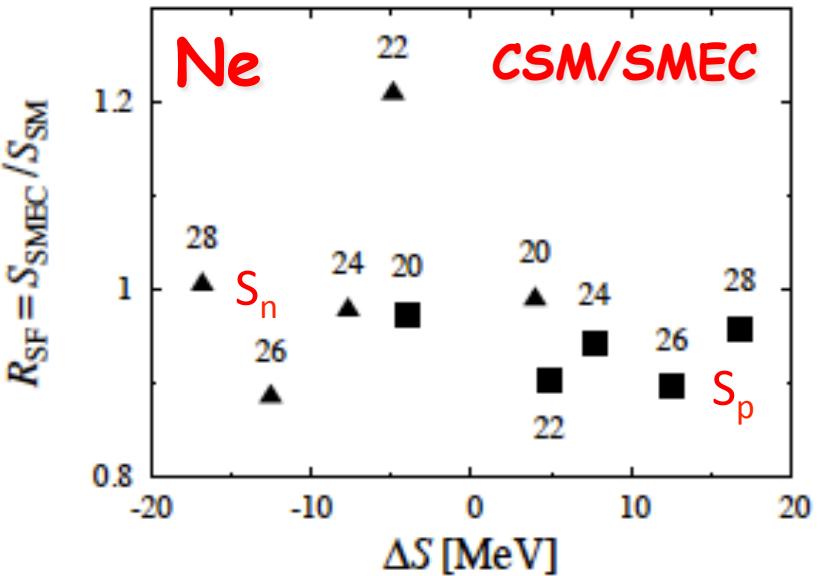
S. Drozdz et al, PRC 62, 24313 (2000)



One-nucleon spectroscopic factors involving weakly- and strongly-bound nucleons



A. Gade et al, PRL 93, 042501



J. Okolowicz et al, PLB 757, 303 (2016)

- Less than 15% of the ground state spectroscopic strength shifted to higher excitations
- One-nucleon spectroscopic factors are not correlated with the asymmetry of S_n and S_p separation energies

Coupled channel formulation of the Gamow shell model

GSM

$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_n C_n \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right\rangle$$

↓

SD with s.p. states of the Berggren ensemble

structure/reaction

GSM-CC :

$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_c \int_0^\infty dr \frac{u_c(r)}{r} r^2 \hat{\mathcal{A}} \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right\rangle_c$$

GSM channel states

- Generalization of the SM to continuum states
- Representation of $|\Psi\rangle$ in terms of Slater determinants

Channel basis : $\{c\} = \{(A-a), J_T, a, \ell, J_{\text{int}}, J_p\}$

$$\hat{\mathcal{A}} \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right\rangle_c \equiv |(c, r)\rangle = \hat{\mathcal{A}} [|\Psi_T^{J_T}\rangle \otimes |r, \ell, J_{\text{int}}, J_p\rangle]_{M_A}^{J_A}$$

In practice : $|(c, r)\rangle = \sum_{n \in \text{Berggren}} \frac{w_n(r)}{r} |(c, n)\rangle$

- Representation of $|\Psi\rangle$ in terms of the reaction channels
- Entrance and exit channels defined

- No identification of the reaction channels

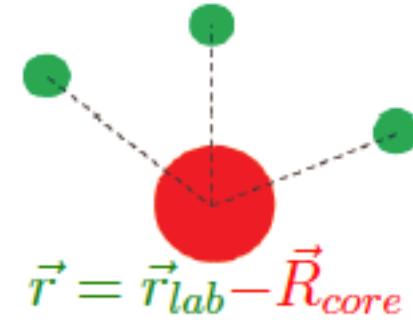
- Wave functions of projectile and target nuclei are calculated in GSM

- Center of mass treatment: *Cluster Orbital Shell Model relative coordinates*

Y. Suzuki, K. Ikeda, PRC 38 (1998) 410

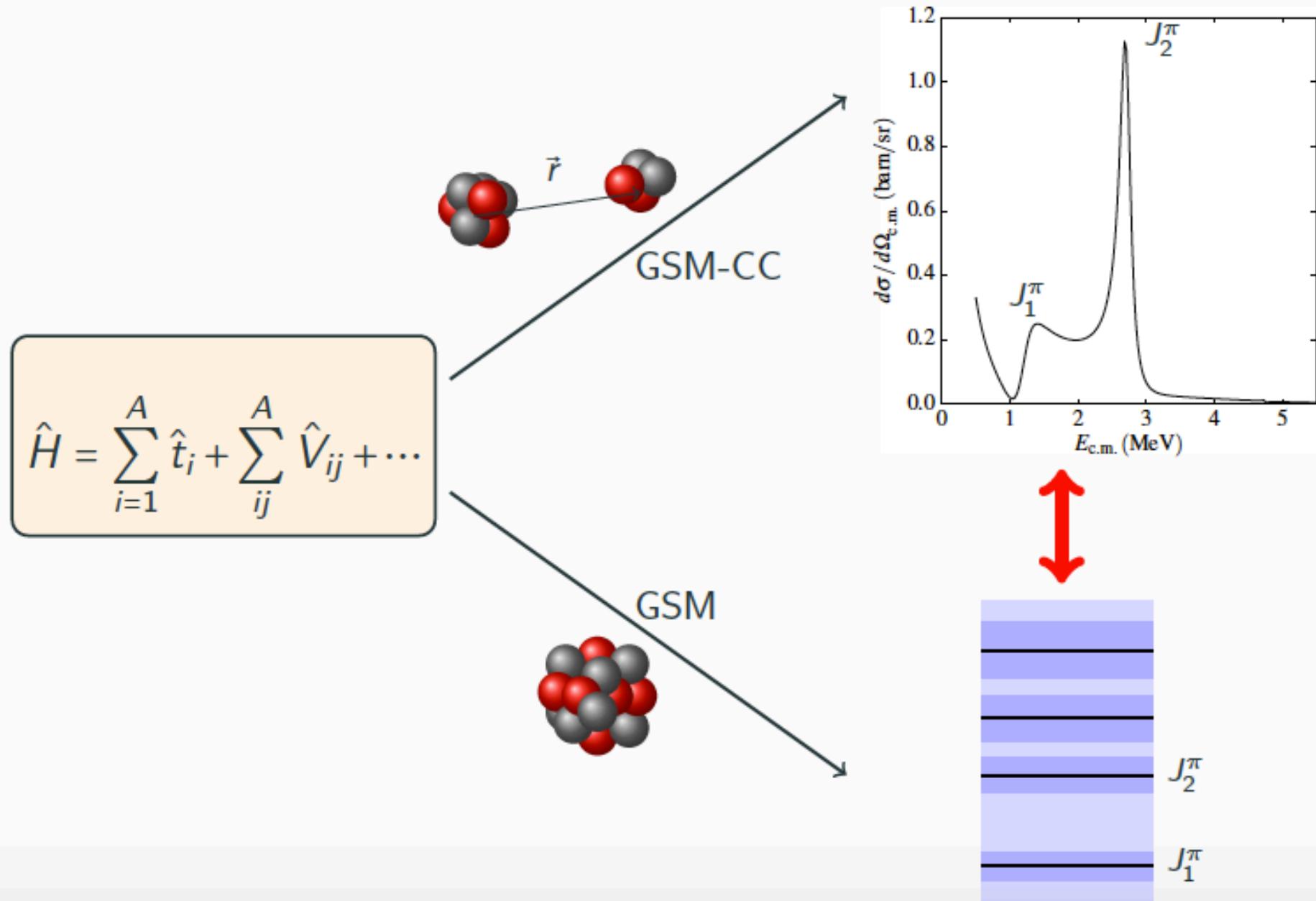
$$H = \sum_{i=1}^{A_v} \left(\frac{\mathbf{p}_i^2}{2\mu} + U_i \right) + \sum_{i < j}^{A_v} \left(V_{ij} + \frac{\mathbf{p}_i \mathbf{p}_j}{A_c} \right)$$

"Recoil" term coming from the expression of H in the COSM coordinates. No spurious states



- Scattering wave functions $|\Psi_{\text{GSM}}(A-p) \otimes \Phi_{\text{proj}}(p)\rangle$ are the many-body states
- Antisymmetry exactly handled
- Core arbitrary
- Resonating Group Method for A-body matrix elements:
 $\langle \Psi_{\text{GSM};f}(A-p) \otimes \Phi_{\text{proj};f}(p) | H | \Psi_{\text{GSM};i}(A-p) \otimes \Phi_{\text{proj};i}(p) \rangle$
leads to coupled-channel equations with microscopic potentials

Unified description of structure and reactions in the Gamow Shell Model



p+¹⁸Ne excitation function

Y. Jaganathan, N. Michel, M.P., PRC 89 (2014) 034624

¹⁸ Ne	EXP	GSM	GSM-CC	
0+	0.00	0.00		$S_p = 3.921 \text{ MeV}$
2+	1.89	1.56		$S_n = 19.237 \text{ MeV}$

¹⁹ Na	EXP	GSM	GSM-CC	
5/2+	0.32	0.28	0.29	$S_p = -0.32 \text{ MeV}$
3/2+	0.44	0.25	0.27	$S_n = 20.18 \text{ MeV}$
1/2+	1.07	1.08	1.13	

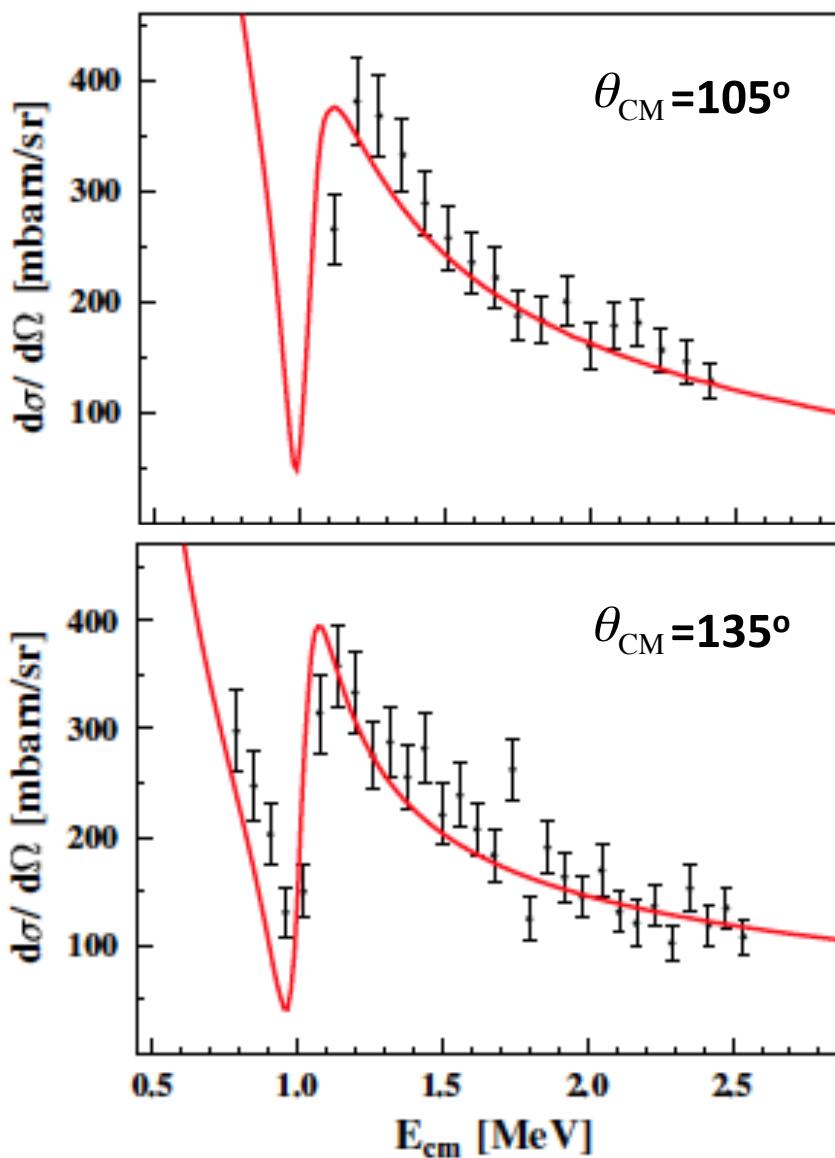
Model space: 0d_{5/2}, 1s_{1/2}, 0d_{3/2}, 1p_{3/2}, 1p_{1/2}

Interaction: FHT finite-range interaction: $V(ij) = V^C + V^{SO} + V^T + V^{\text{Coul}}$

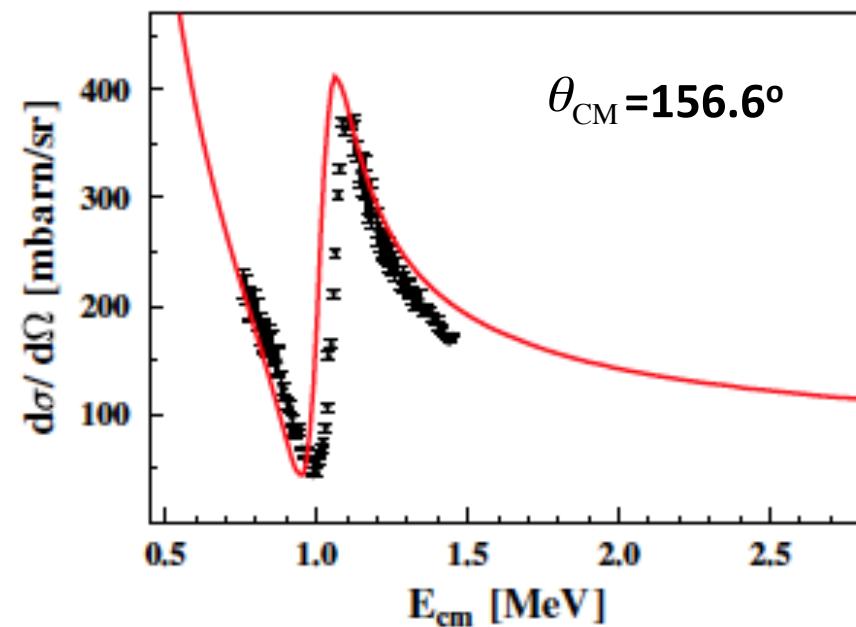
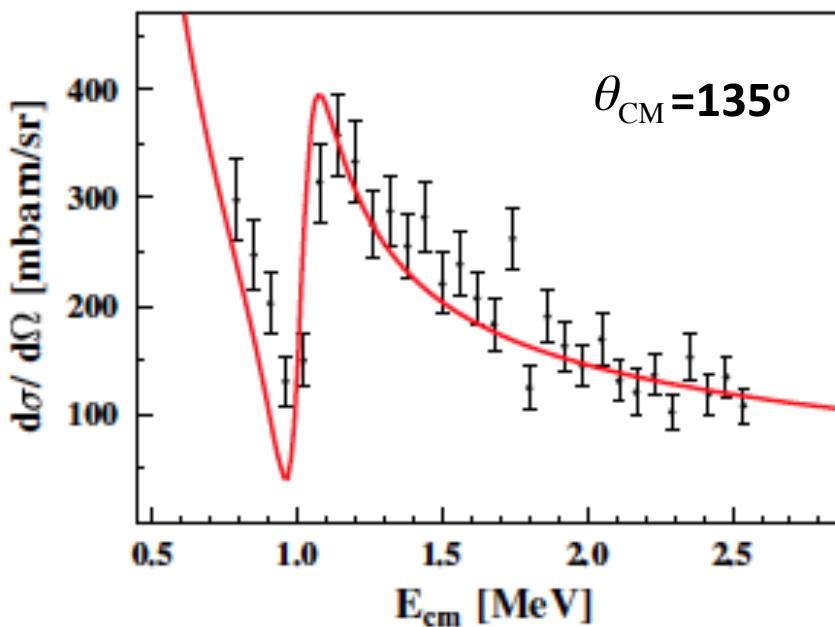
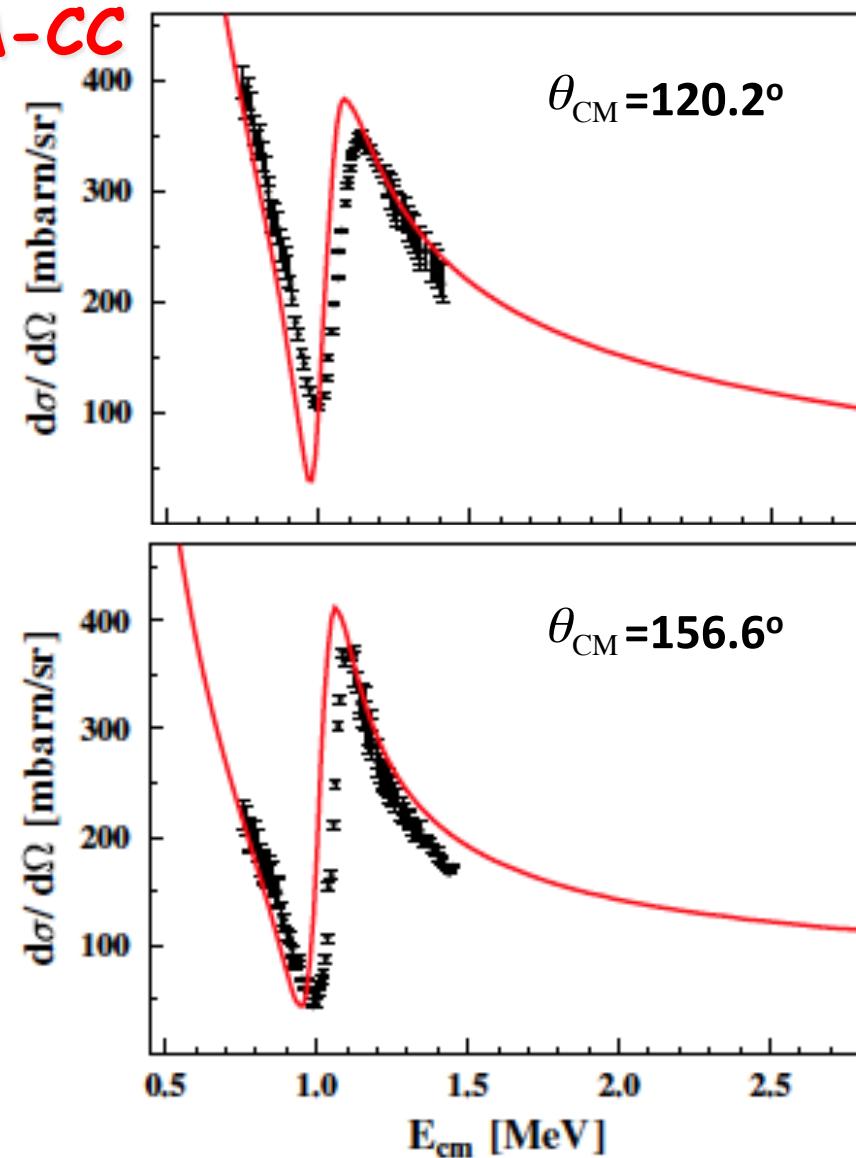
H. Furutani, H. Horiuchi, R. Tamagaki, PTP 60 (1978) 307; 62 (1979) 981

GSM and GSM-CC results (almost) identical → Scattering states
 $J=0^+, 1^+, 2^+, \dots$ and higher lying (bound) states in ¹⁸Ne are unimportant.

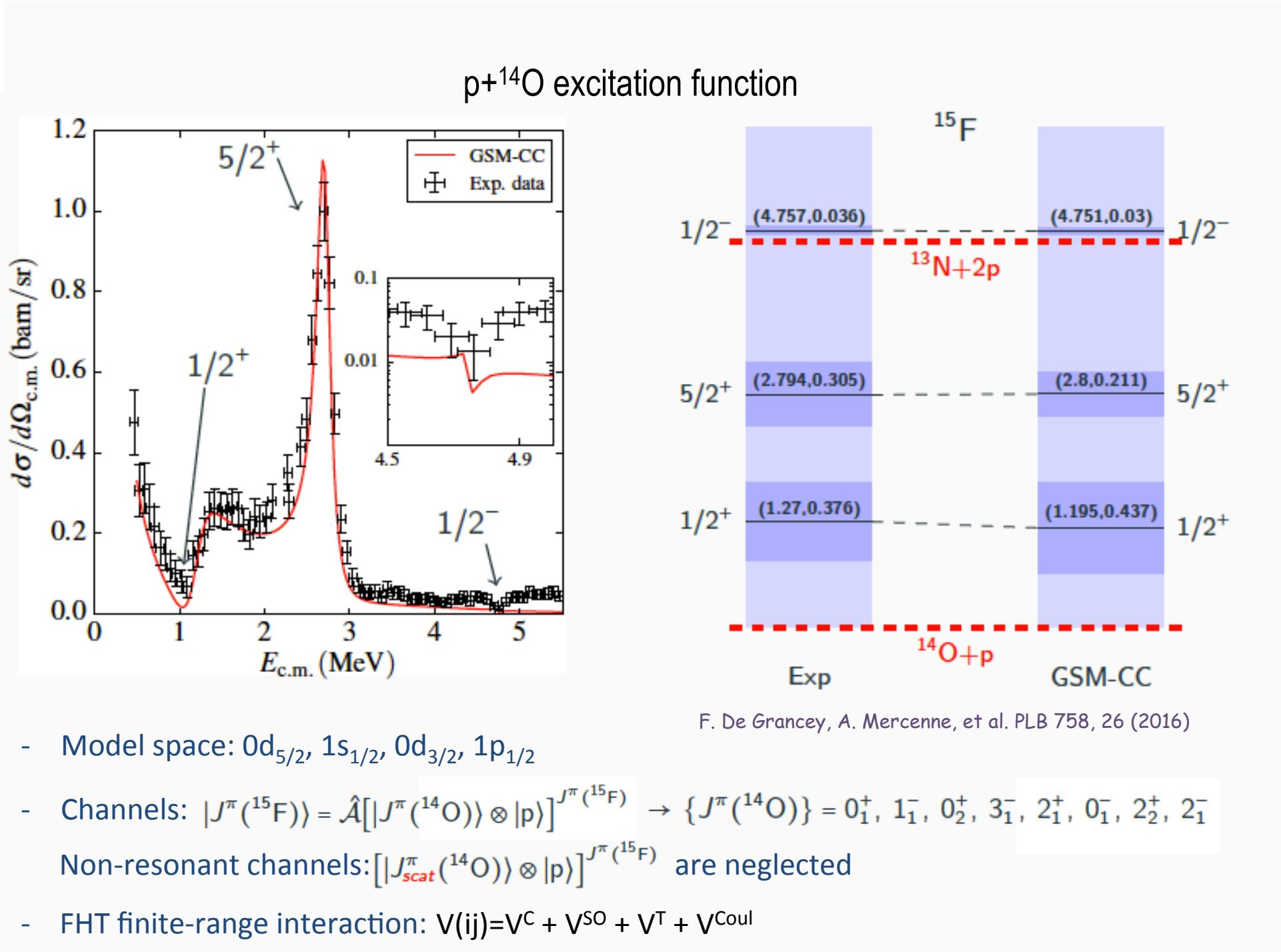
$p + {}^{18}\text{Ne}$ excitation function at different angles



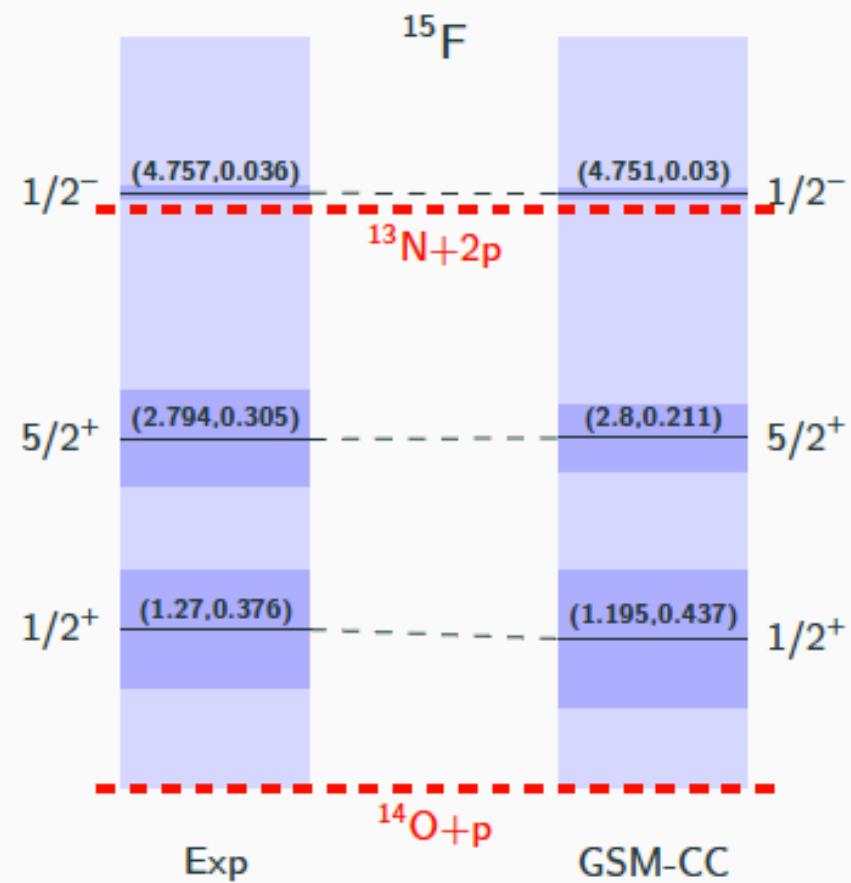
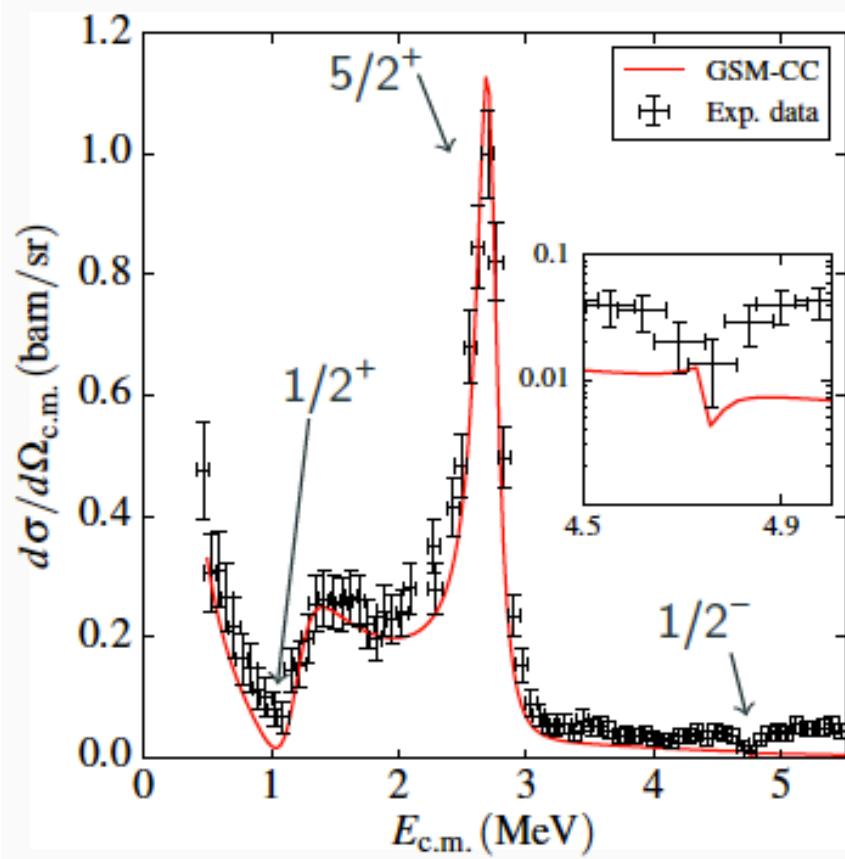
GSM-CC



Exp: F. de Oliveira Santos et al., Eur. Phys. J. A24, 237 (2005)
 B. Skorodumov et al., Phys. Atom. Nucl. 69, 1979 (2006)
 C. Angulo et al., PRC 67, 014308 (2003)



p+¹⁴O excitation function

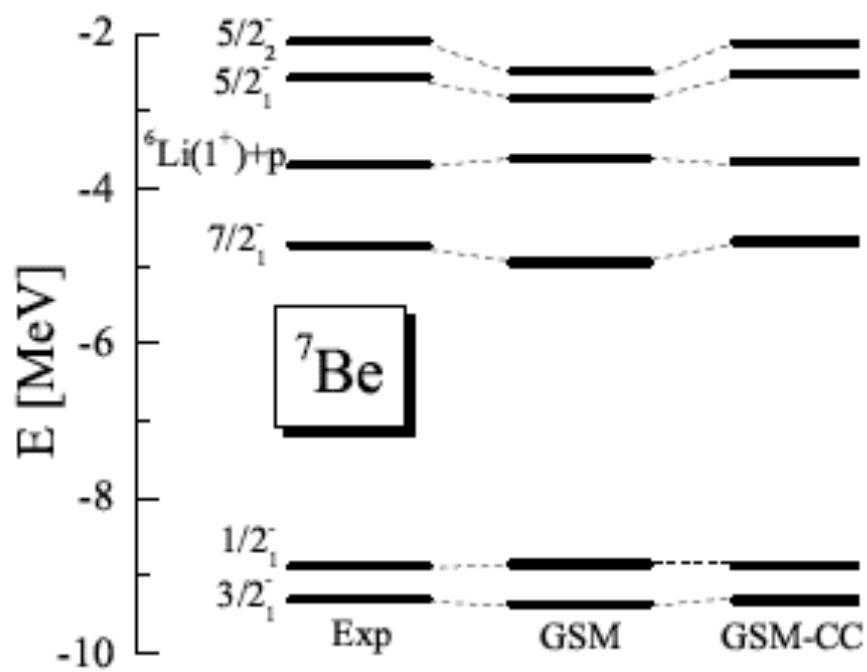


Small correction factors in the channel-channel coupling potentials to compensate for neglected non-resonant channels

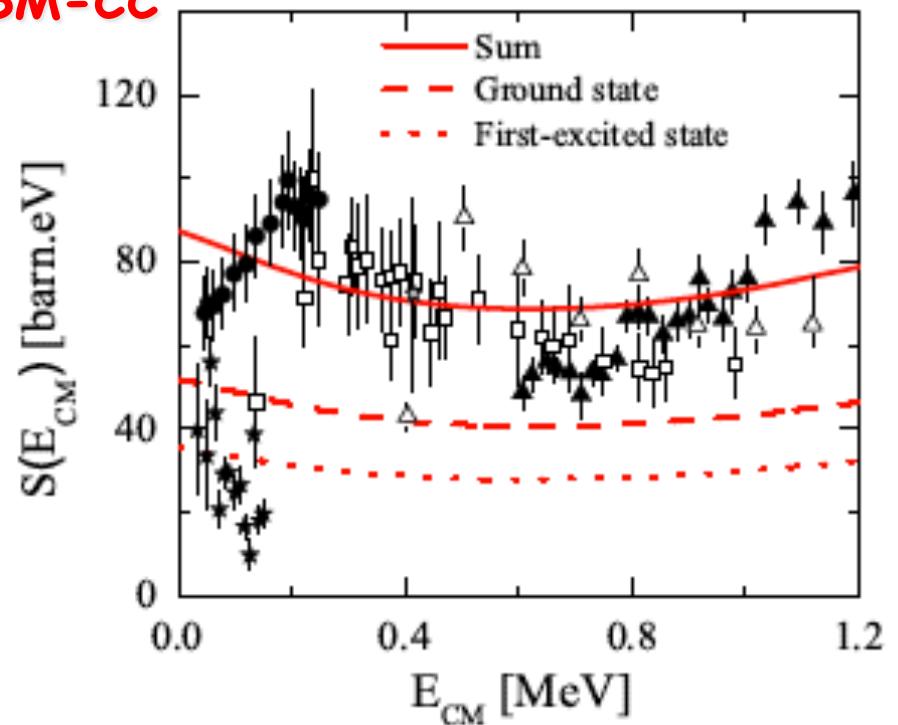
GSM structure of $1/2_1^-$:
 $\langle \Psi | 0p_{1/2}[1] 1s_{1/2}[2] \rangle^2 = 0.97$
 $\langle \Psi | 0p_{1/2}[1] 0d_{5/2}[2] \rangle^2 = 0.02$
almost pure configuration of 2 protons in $1s_{1/2}$ and $\{s_{1/2}\}$ shells

Diproton nature of $1/2_1^-$ favors the two-proton emission, but the available decay energy is very small ($Q_{2p} = 129$ keV)
 \Rightarrow one-proton emission is hindered

${}^6\text{Li}(\text{p},\text{g})$ radiative capture cross sections



GSM-CC



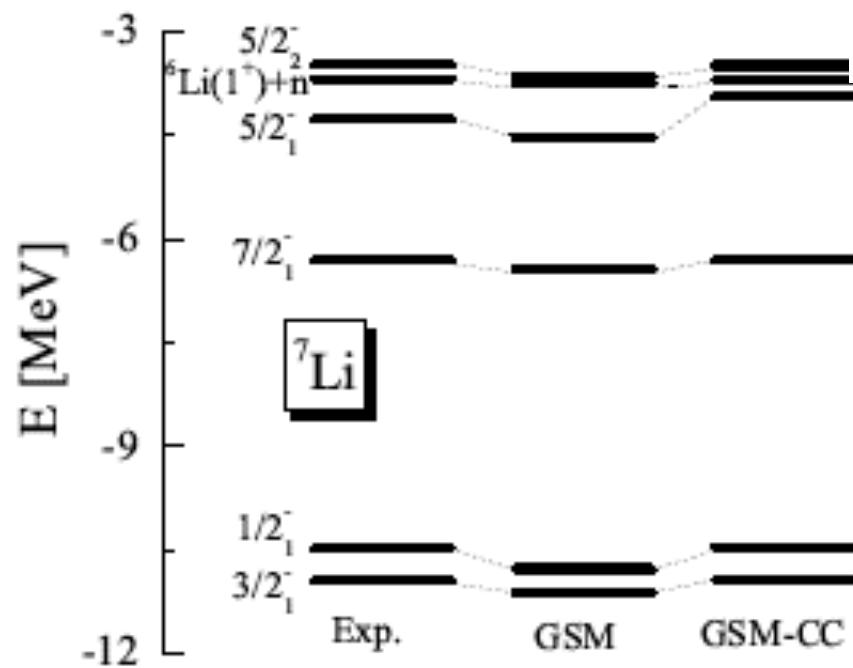
- Model space: $0\text{p}_{3/2}, 0\text{p}_{1/2}, 0\text{s}_{1/2}, 0\text{d}_{5/2}, 0\text{d}_{3/2}$
- Interaction: FHT finite-range interaction

E1, E2, M1 components included

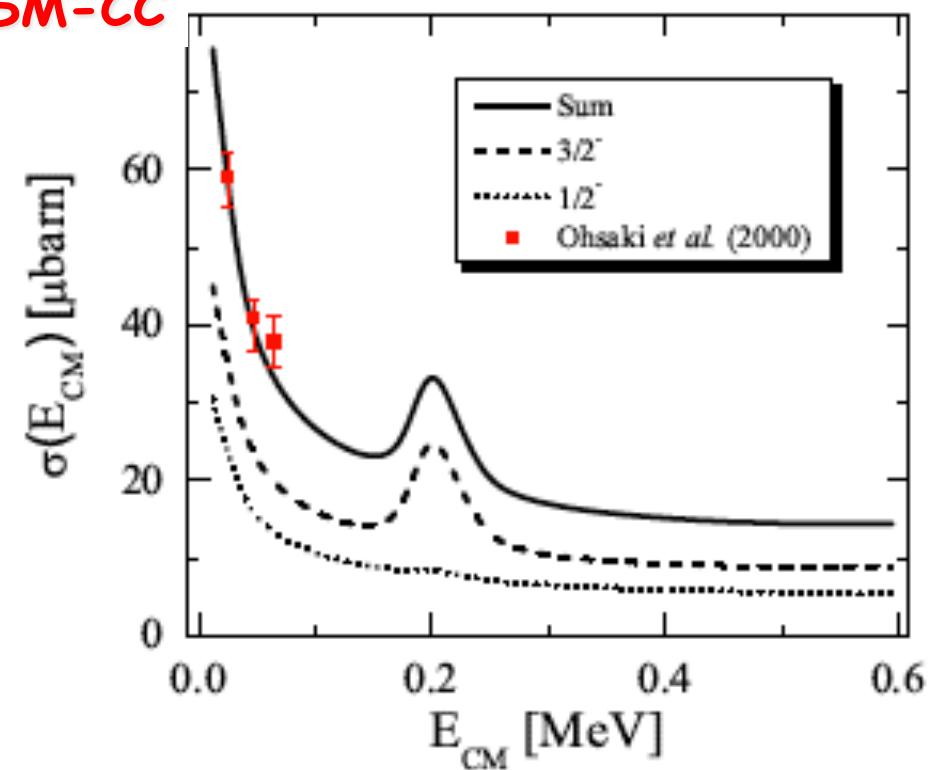
$$S^{\text{GSM-CC}}(0) = 88.34 \text{ barn.eV}$$

$$S^{\text{exp-acc}}(0) = 79 \pm 18 \text{ barn.eV}$$

Mirror reaction: ${}^6\text{Li}(\text{n},\text{g})$



GSM-CC



E1, E2, M1 components included

G. Dong, et al., J. Phys. G: Nucl. Part Phys. 44. 045201 (2017)

$^{40}\text{Ca}(\text{d},\text{p})$ transfer reaction

- Channels : $|J^\pi(^{42}\text{Sc})\rangle = \hat{\mathcal{A}}[|J^\pi(^{40}\text{Ca})\rangle \otimes |\text{d}\rangle]^{J^\pi(^{42}\text{Sc})}$
- $|J^\pi(^{41}\text{Ca})\rangle \otimes |\text{p}\rangle \quad \longleftarrow \quad \{J^\pi(^{41}\text{Ca})\} = 7/2_1^-, 3/2_1^-, 5/2_1^-, 1/2_1^-$
- $|J^\pi(^{41}\text{Sc})\rangle \otimes |\text{n}\rangle \quad \longleftarrow \quad \{J^\pi(^{41}\text{Sc})\} = 7/2_1^-, 3/2_1^-, 5/2_1^-, 1/2_1^-$

• Model space : ^{40}Ca core + valence particles

• S.p. basis :

- Proton WS potential : ^{41}Sc spectrum and $^{40}\text{Ca}(\text{p},\text{p})^{40}\text{Ca}$ cross section
- Neutron WS potential : ^{41}Ca spectrum and $^{40}\text{Ca}(\text{n},\text{n})^{40}\text{Ca}$ cross section

• Deuteron state : $|\text{d}\rangle = |\text{n}, \ell\rangle \otimes |J_{\text{int}}\rangle$

→ $|\text{n}, \ell\rangle$: Berggren states ($\ell_{\text{max}} = 4$)

→ $|J_{\text{int}}^\pi\rangle$: 1^+ (NCSM + N³LO chiral interaction)

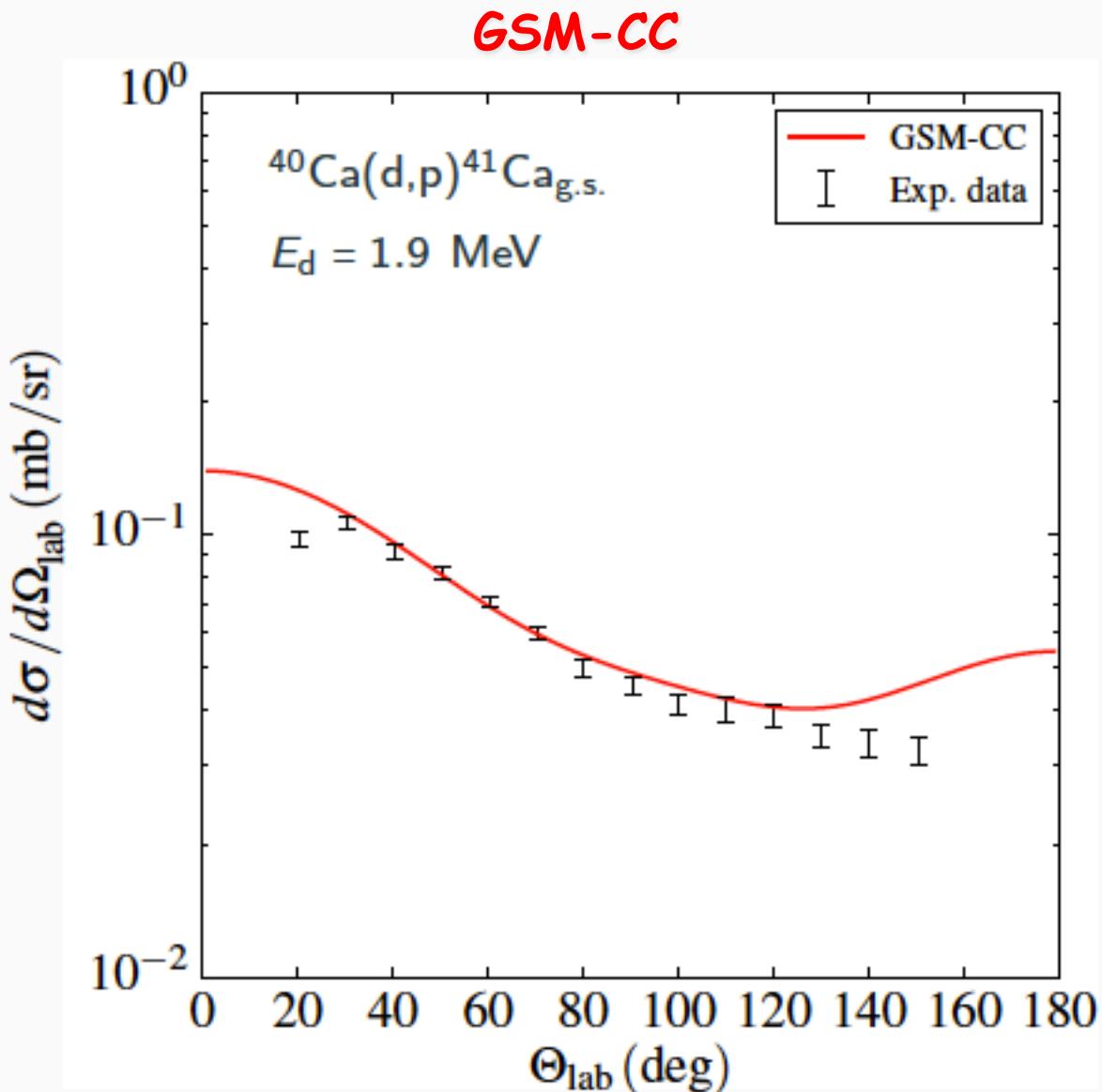
^{45}Fe	^{46}Fe	^{47}Fe	^{48}Fe	^{49}Fe	^{50}Fe	^{51}Fe	^{52}Fe
^{44}Mn	^{45}Mn	^{46}Mn	^{47}Mn	^{48}Mn	^{49}Mn	^{50}Mn	
^{42}Cr	^{43}Cr	^{44}Cr	^{45}Cr	^{46}Cr	^{47}Cr	^{48}Cr	^{49}Cr
	^{42}V	^{43}V	^{44}V	^{45}V	^{46}V	^{47}V	^{48}V
^{38}Ti	^{39}Ti	^{40}Ti	^{41}Ti	^{42}Ti	^{43}Ti	^{44}Ti	^{45}Ti
		^{38}Sc	^{39}Sc	^{40}Sc	^{41}Sc	^{42}Sc	^{43}Sc
^{34}Ca	^{35}Ca	^{36}Ca	^{37}Ca	^{38}Ca	^{39}Ca	^{40}Ca	^{41}Ca
^{33}K	^{34}K	^{35}K	^{36}K	^{37}K	^{38}K	^{39}K	^{40}K
^{31}Ar	^{32}Ar	^{33}Ar	^{34}Ar	^{35}Ar	^{36}Ar	^{37}Ar	^{38}Ar
				^{39}Ar	^{40}Ar	^{41}Ar	^{42}Ar
					^{43}Ar	^{44}Ar	^{45}Ar

Non-resonant channels

E_{GSM}	$E_{\text{GSM-CC}}$	$E_{\text{GSM-CC(NRC)}}$
$2^+ \underline{-10.999}$	$2^+ \underline{-10.758}$	$2^+ \underline{-11.084}$
$5^+ \underline{-11.044}$	$5^+ \underline{-10.912}$	$5^+ \underline{-11.089}$
$3^+ \underline{-11.122}$	$3^+ \underline{-10.867}$	$3^+ \underline{-11.42}$
$7^+ \underline{-11.789}$	$7^+ \underline{-11.74}$	$7^+ \underline{-11.873}$
	$1^+ \underline{-11.881}$	
$\underline{-12.172}$	$0^+ \underline{-12.095}$	$1^+ \underline{-12.091}$
1^+		
$0^+ \underline{-12.632}$		$0^+ \underline{-12.549}$

- Channels : ${}^{40}\text{Ca} + \text{d}$, ${}^{41}\text{Ca} + \text{p}$, and ${}^{41}\text{Sc} + \text{n}$
- Non-resonant channels (NRC) built of continuum states $\{1/2^+\}$, $\{3/2^+\}$, $\{5/2^+\}$, $\{7/2^+\}$, $\{9/2^+\}$, $\{1/2^-\}$, $\{3/2^-\}$, $\{5/2^-\}$, $\{7/2^-\}$ in ${}^{41}\text{Sc}$ and ${}^{41}\text{Ca}$ are considered
- $E_{\text{GSM-CC}}$: Diagonalization in the channel basis *without* the non-resonant channels
- $E_{\text{GSM-CC(NRC)}}$: Diagonalization in the complete channel basis *with* non-resonant channels

The inclusion of non-resonant channels improves the description of ${}^{42}\text{Sc}$ spectrum \Rightarrow no corrective factors in channel-channel coupling potentials



Outlook

1. Shell model treatment of weakly bound/unbound states → unification of nuclear structure and reactions
2. Collectivization of nuclear wave functions can be the result of
 - **internal mixing** by interactions (low-lying collective vibrations, rotational states, giant resonances,...)
 - **external mixing** via the decay channel(s) (coherent enhancement/suppression of radiation, multi-channel effects in spectroscopic factors and reaction cross-sections,...)
 - **interplay of internal & external mixing** (near-threshold clustering, halo states, pygmy resonances, modification of spectral fluctuations, coalescence of eigenvalues, ...)
3. GSM-CC approach has been extended to reactions with many-nucleon projectiles
 - important role of the non-resonant reaction channels

Thank You