

Direct reactions of weakly-bound nuclei within a one dimensional model

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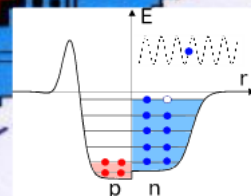
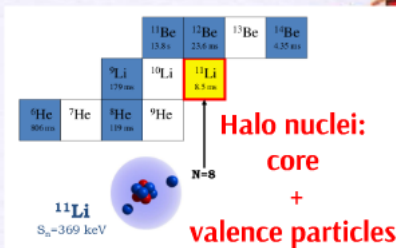
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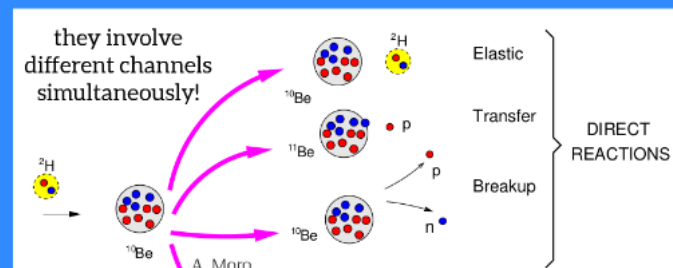
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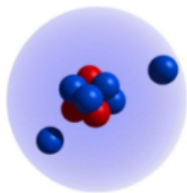
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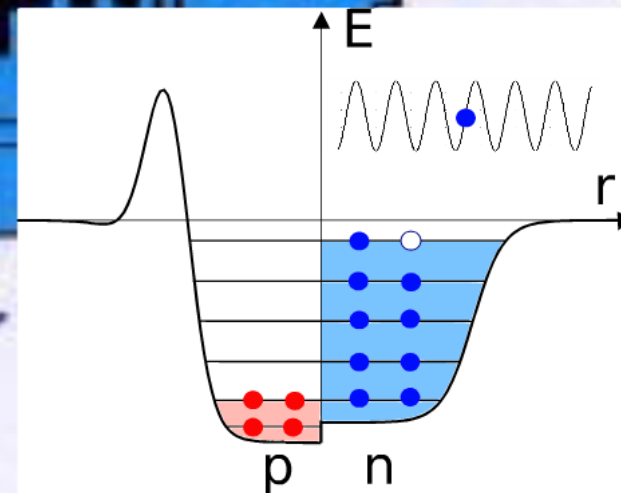
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Halo nuclei:
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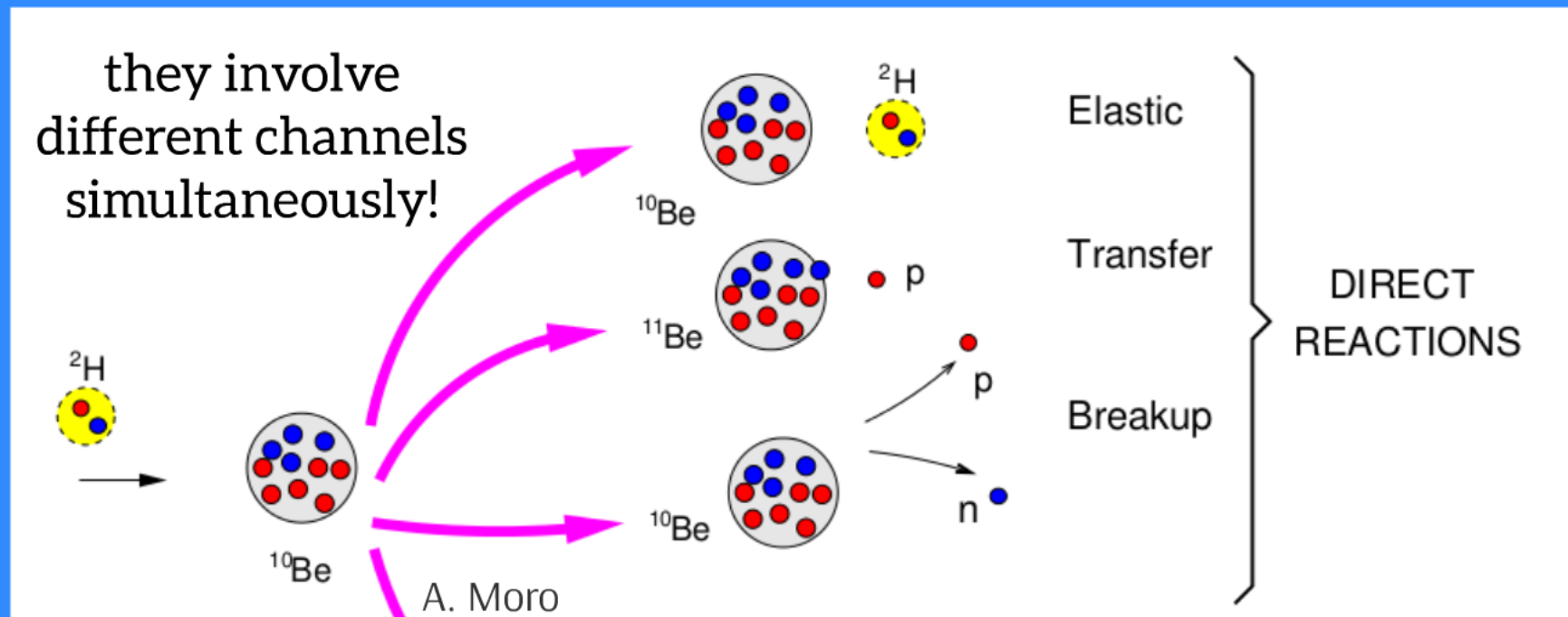
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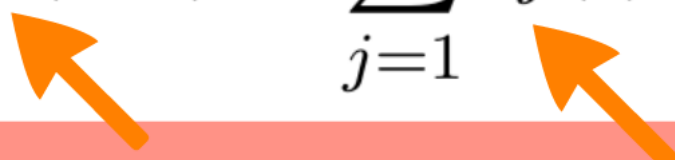
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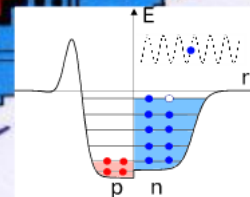
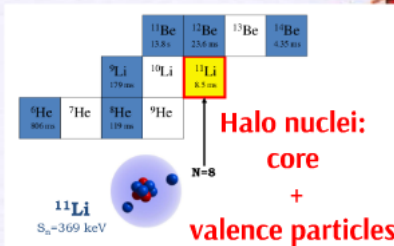
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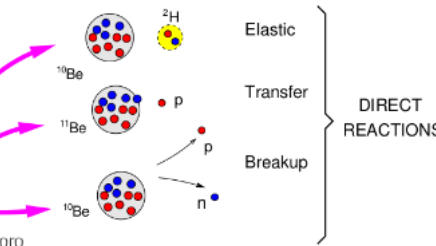
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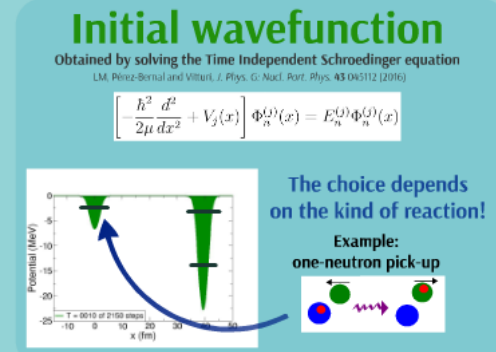
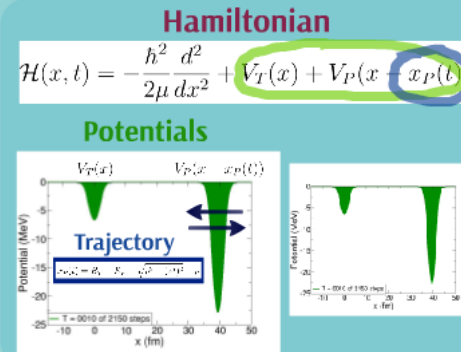
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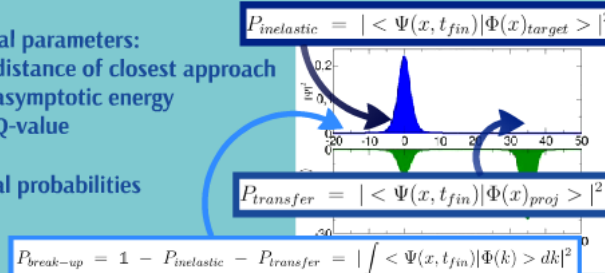
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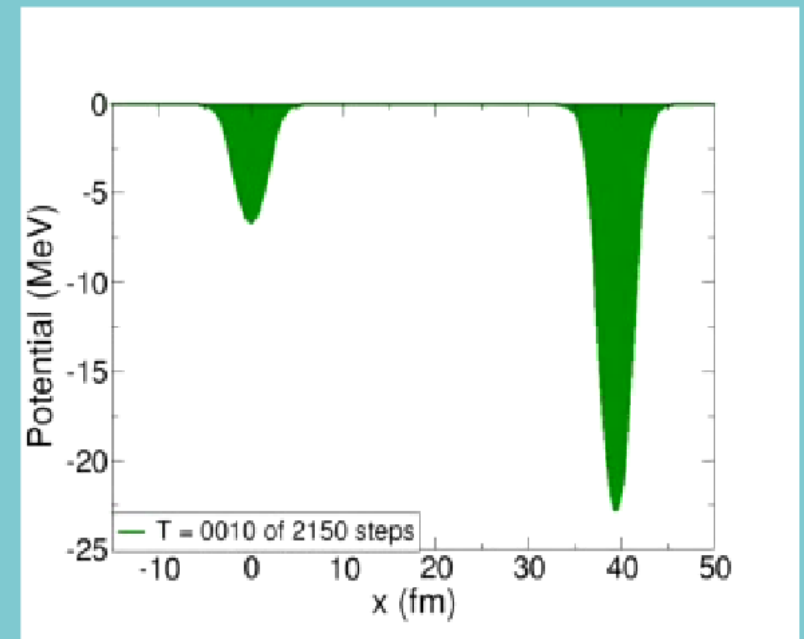
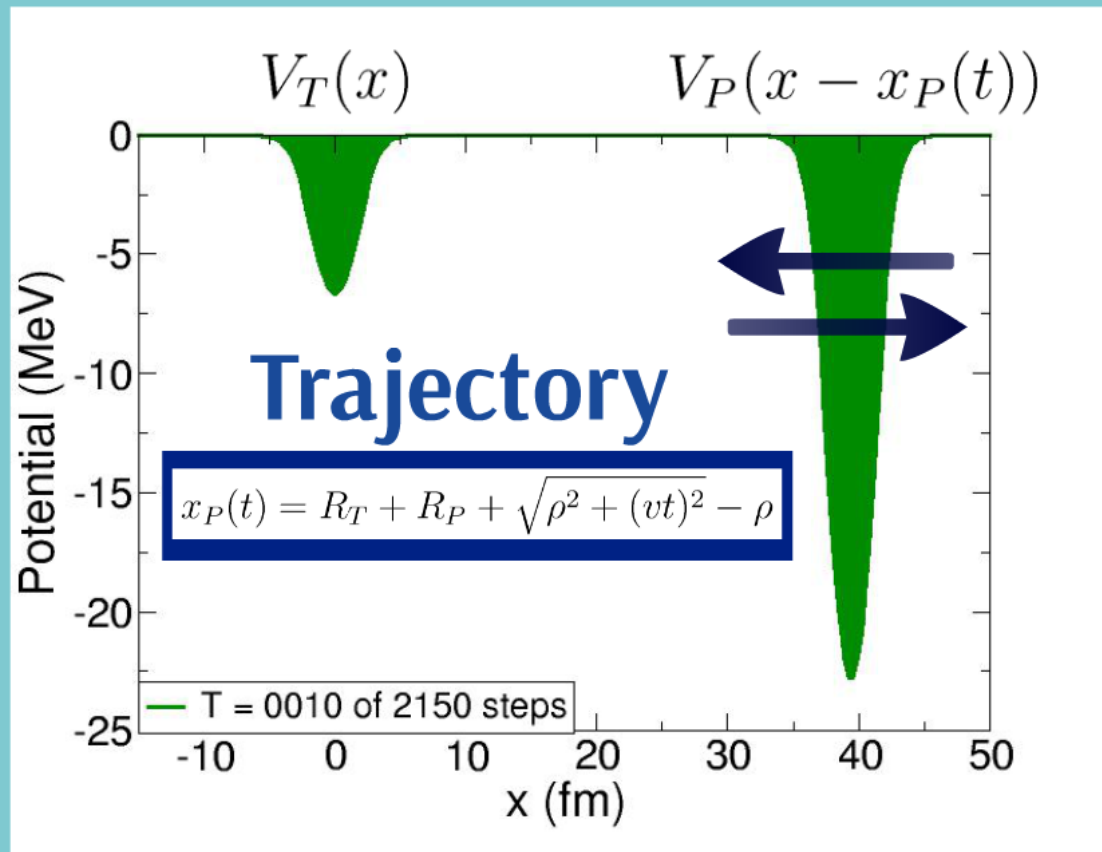
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Potentials



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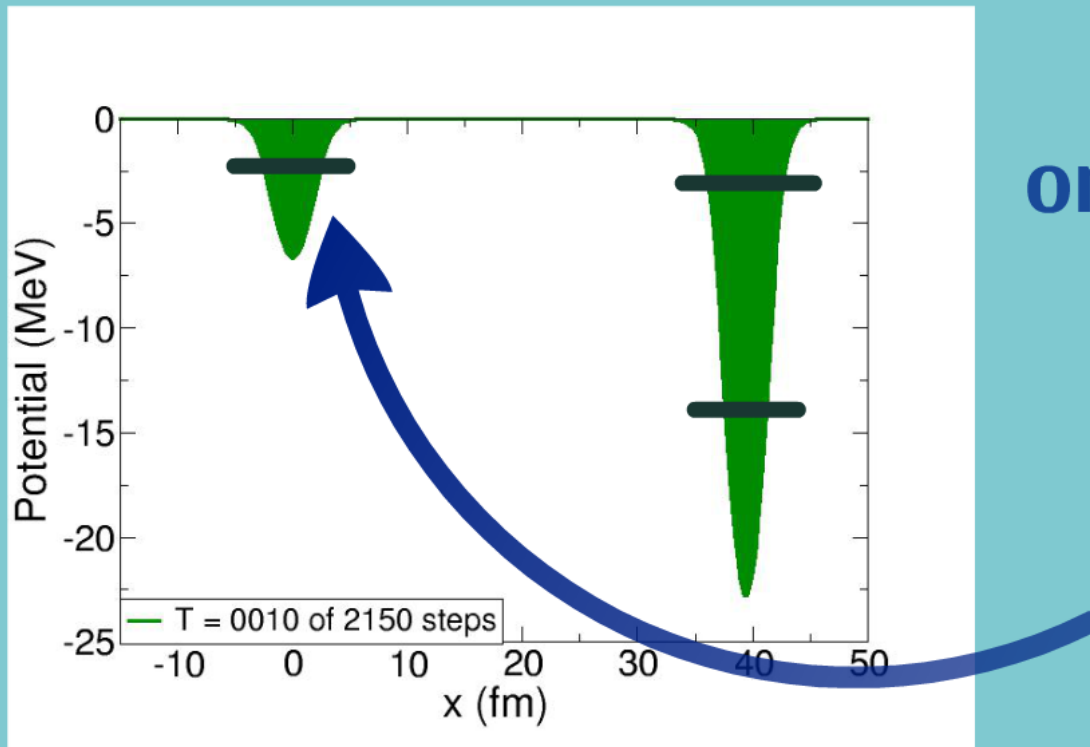
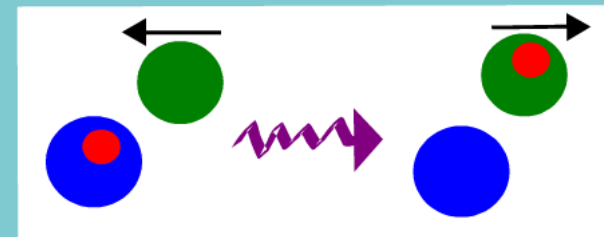
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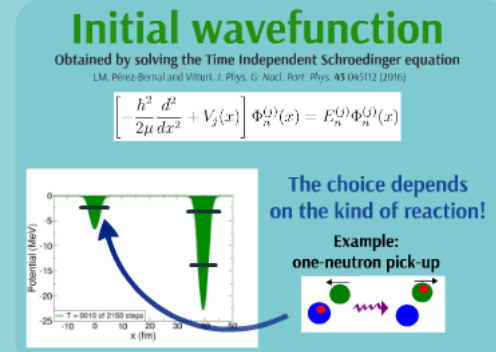
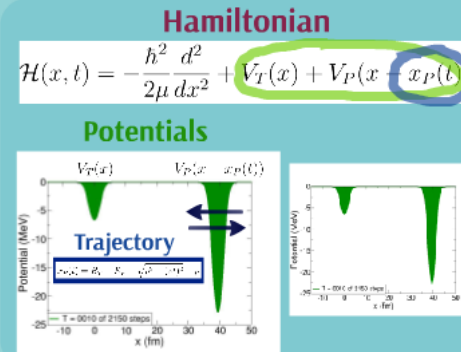
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Example:
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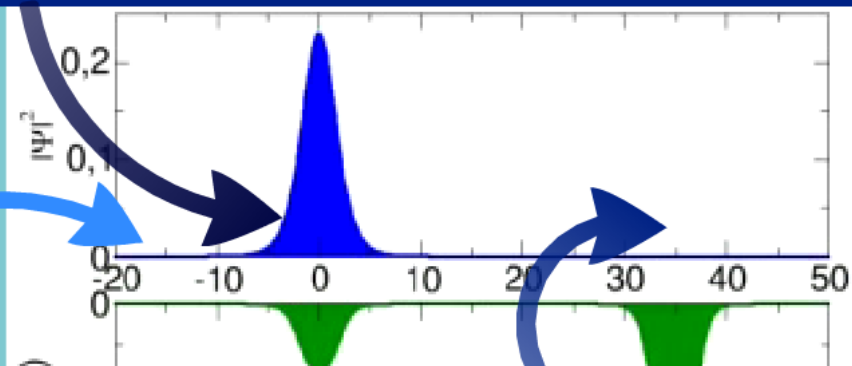
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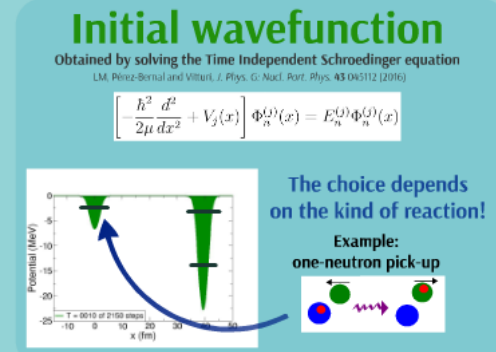
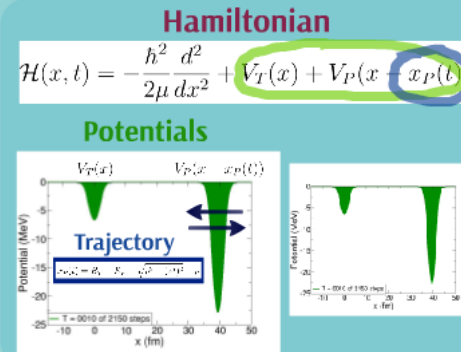
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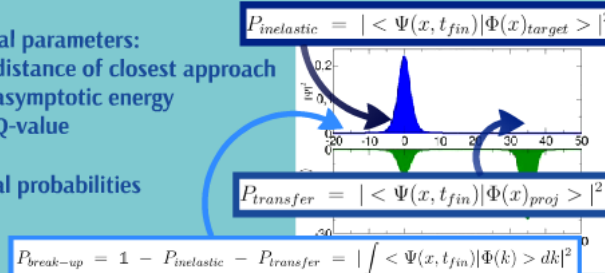
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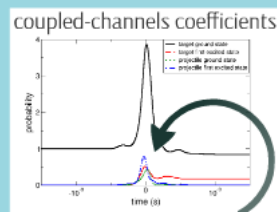
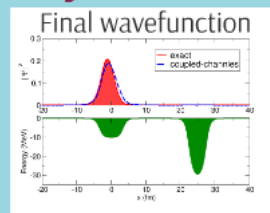
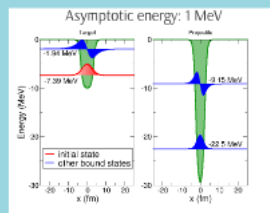
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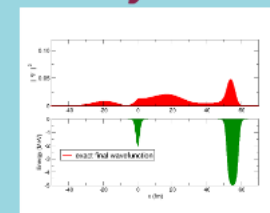
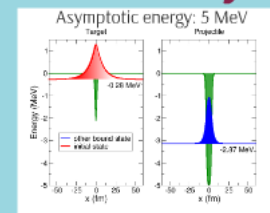
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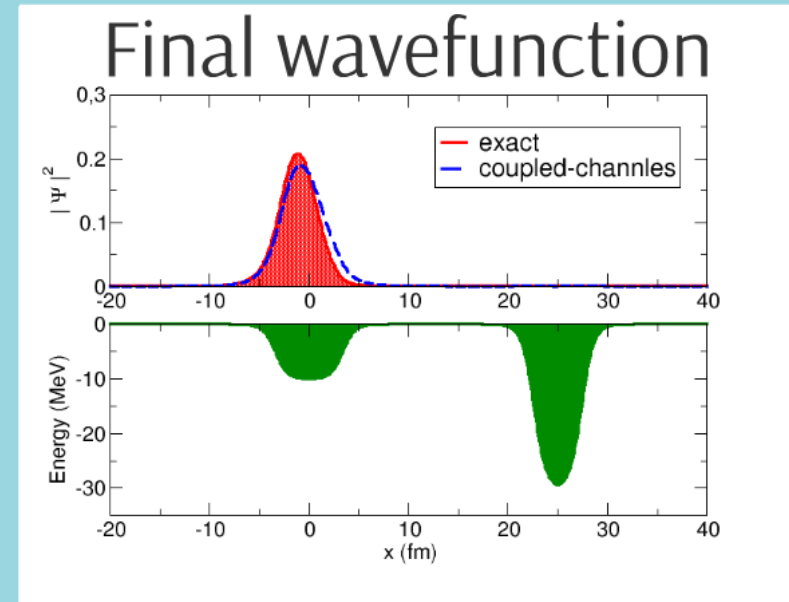
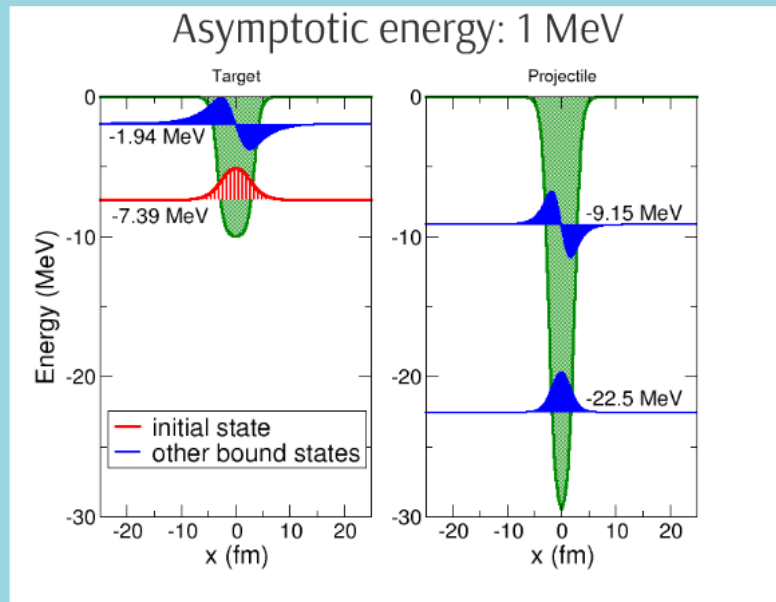
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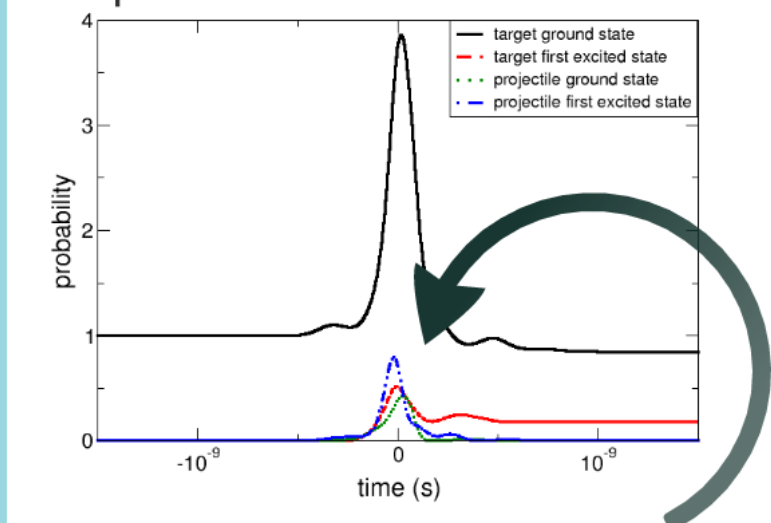
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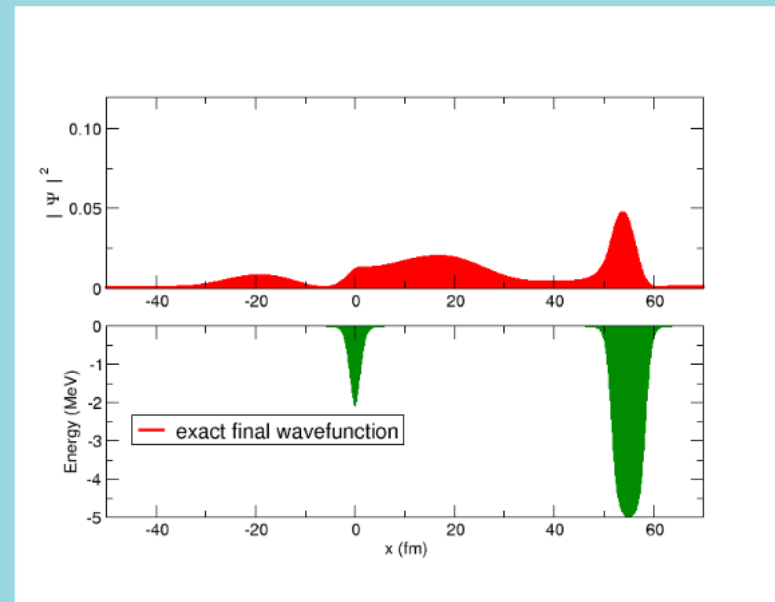
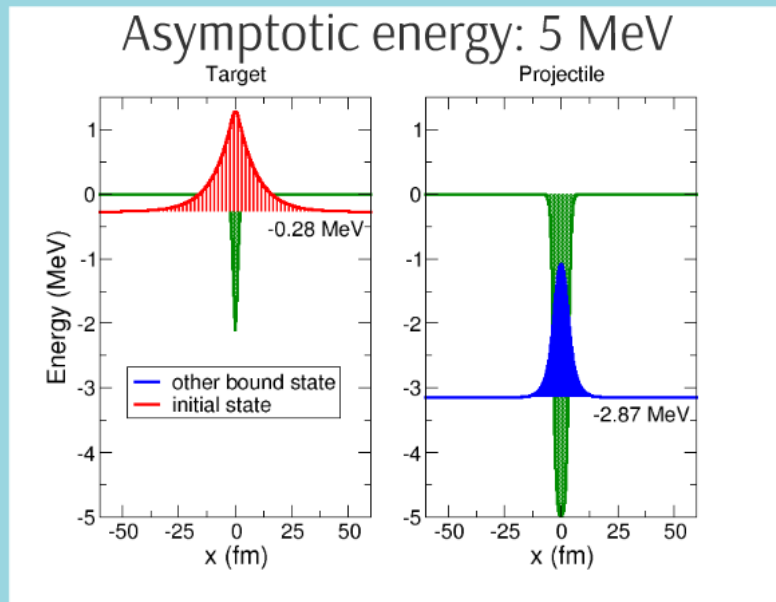
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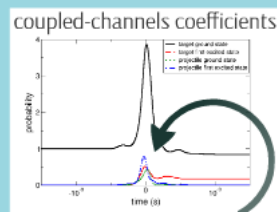
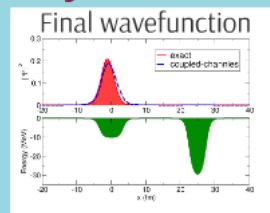
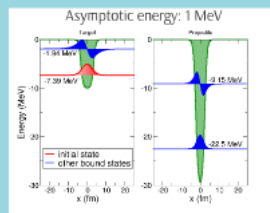
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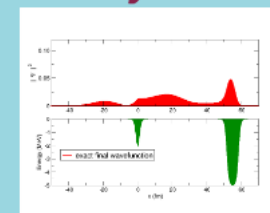
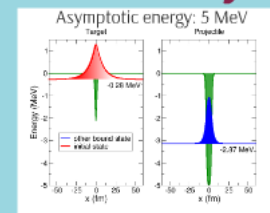
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transfer (1st excited)	0.03%	0.2%
breakup	2.4%	-

Weakly-bound system



	Exact	CC (no continuum)	CC (target continuum)
elastic	21%	95%	21%
transfer	5%	5%	0.04%
breakup	74%	-	79%

Different choices are possible for continuum:

- pseudostates obtained by diagonalizing the potential in different bases (infinite square well, harmonic oscillator, transformed HO)
- bunching of continuum states into bins (CDCC style)

\Rightarrow results are model dependent!

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