

Overview of the MUGAST@LISE campaign: the strength of transfer reactions on exotic beams

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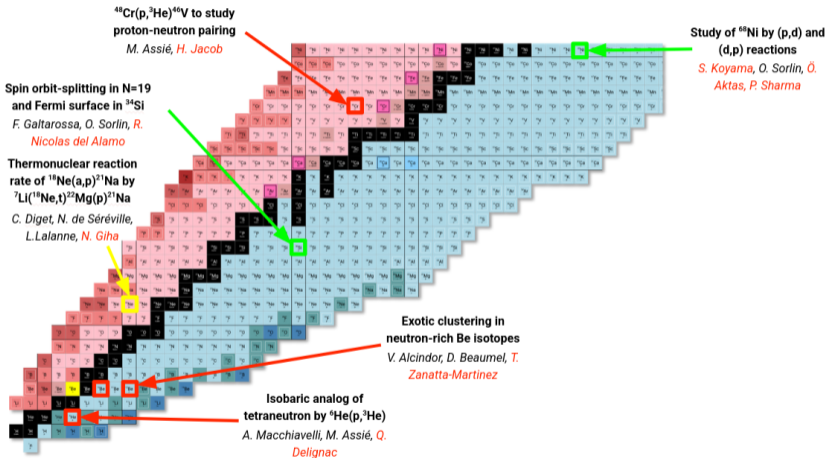
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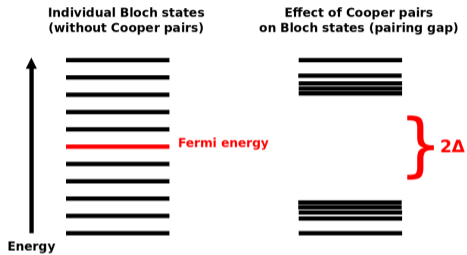
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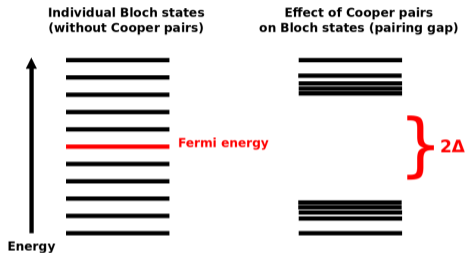
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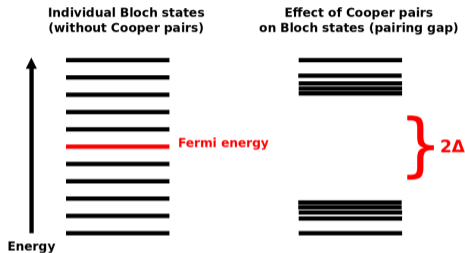


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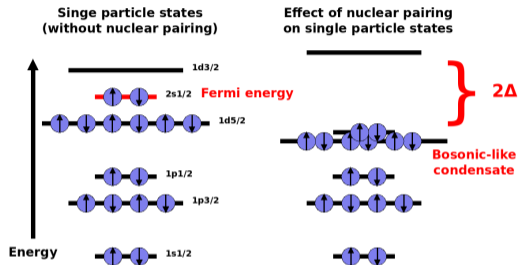
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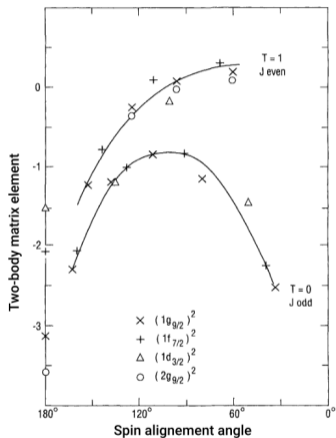


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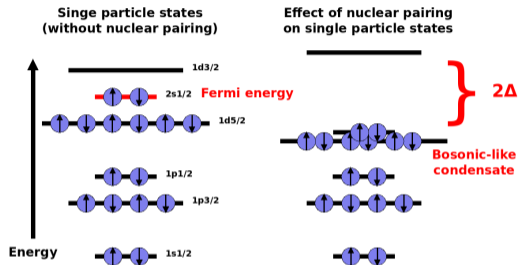
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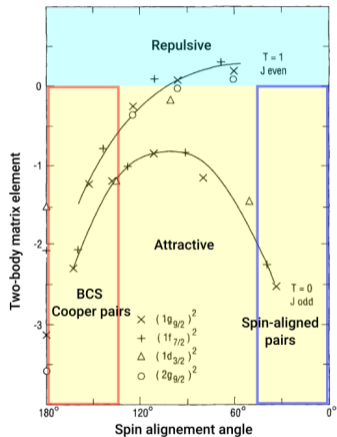
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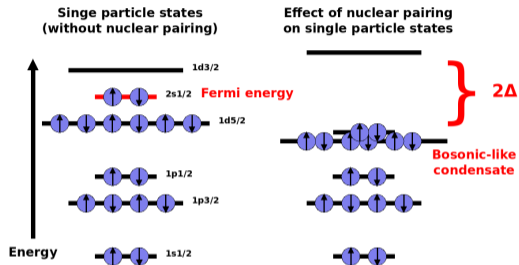
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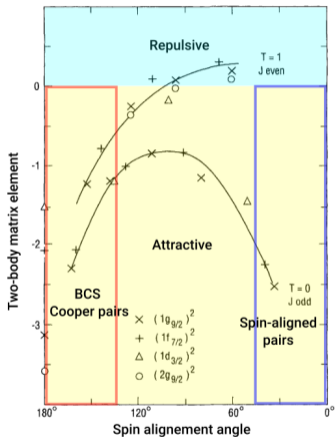
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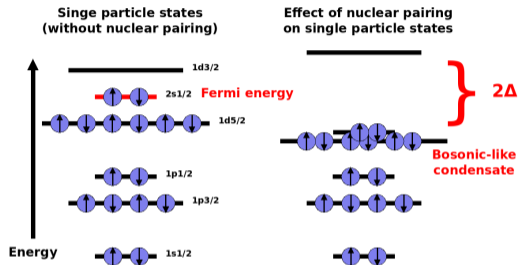
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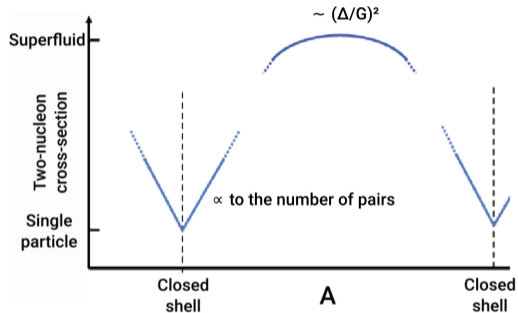
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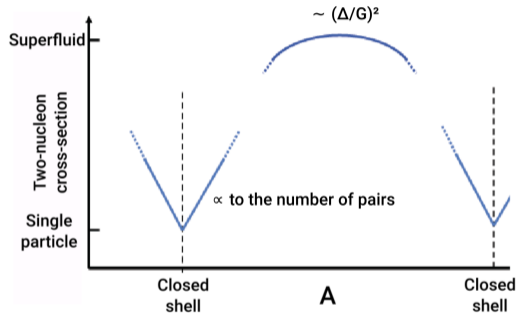


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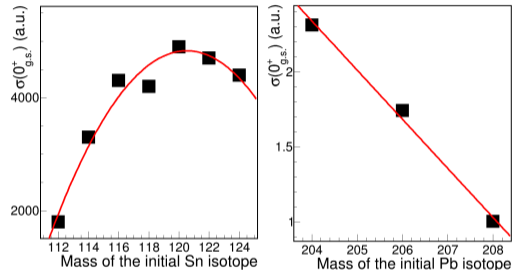
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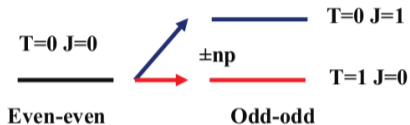
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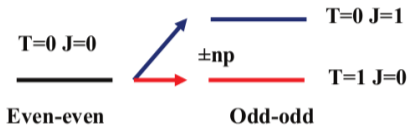
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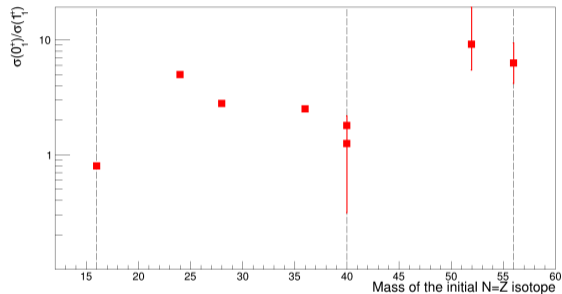
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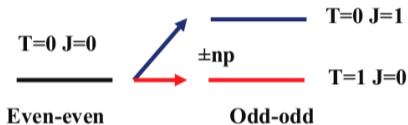


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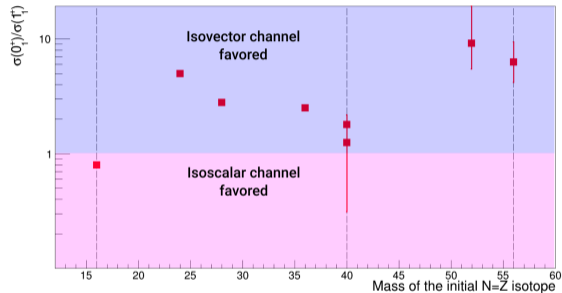
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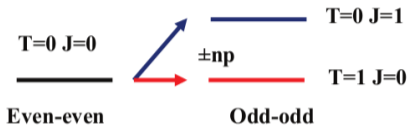


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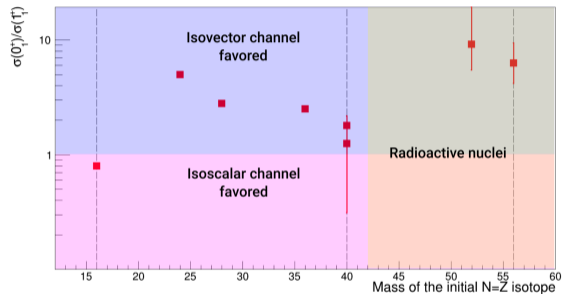
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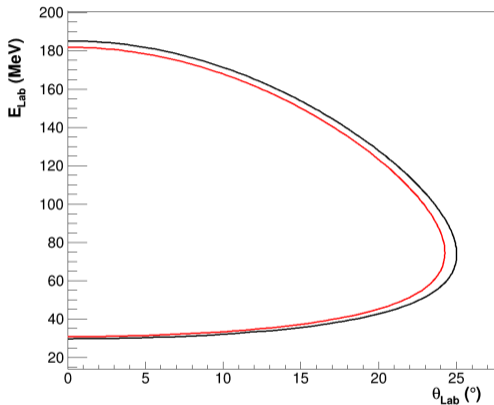


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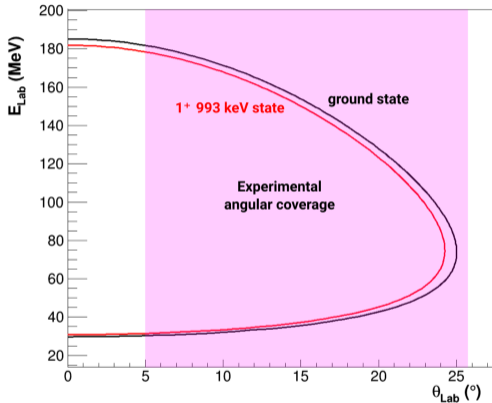
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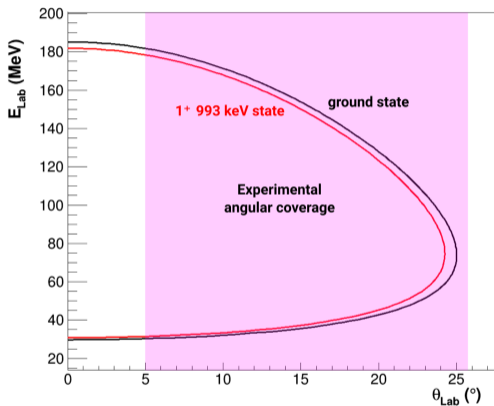
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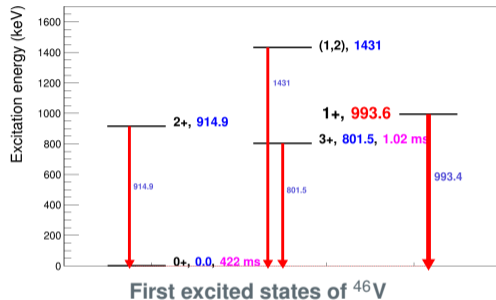
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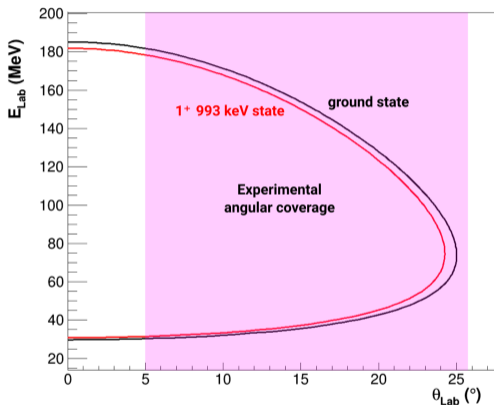
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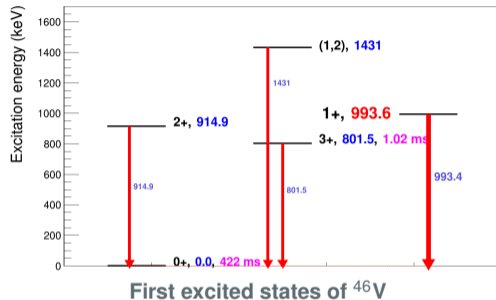
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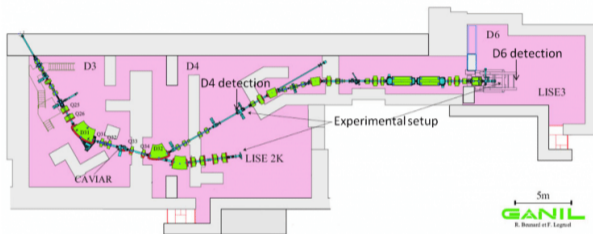
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- Only 80 keV between $J^\pi = 2^+$ and $J^\pi = 1^+$
- Experiment requires particles and γ -rays identification



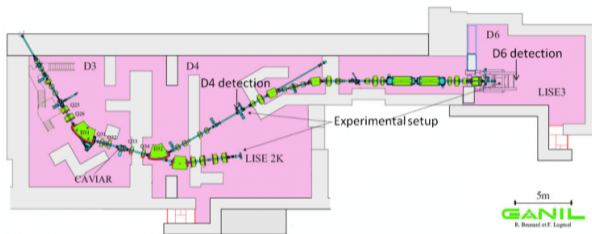
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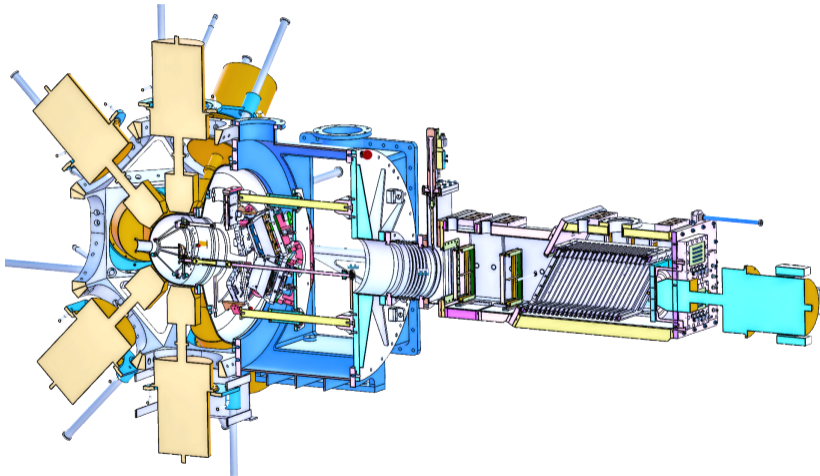
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Beam characteristics

- Primary beam: ^{12}C to ^{136}Xe from 50 MeV/u to 95 MeV/u
- Fragmentation target: ~ 1 mm Be

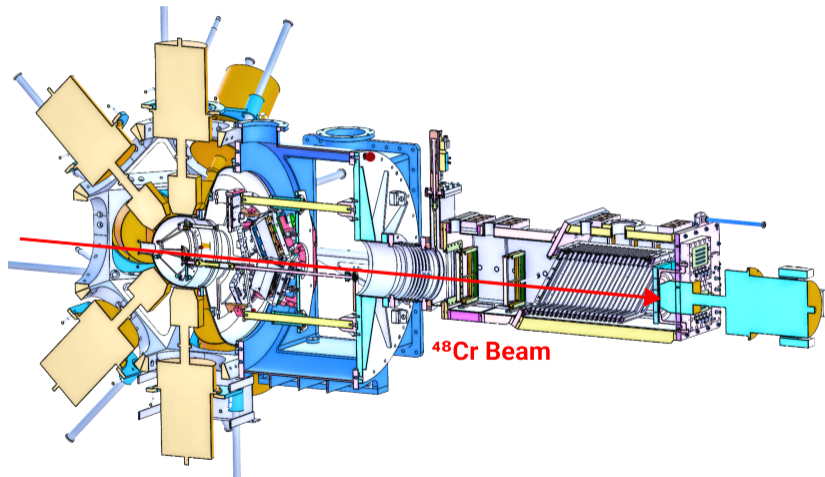
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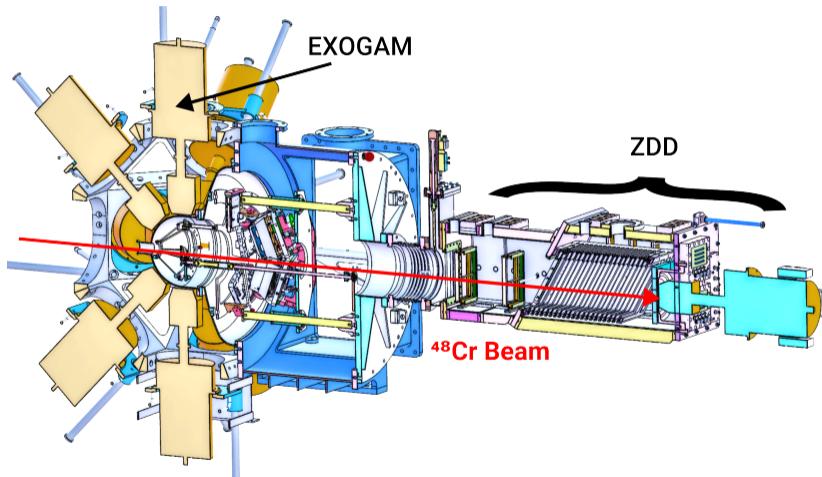
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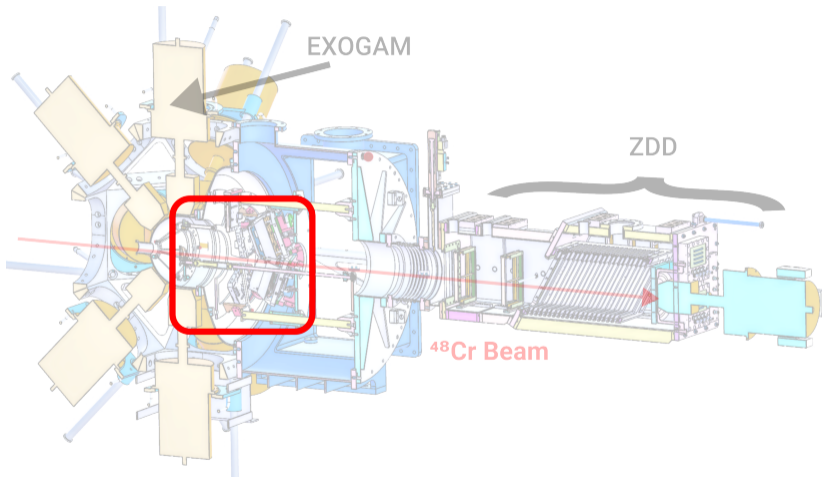
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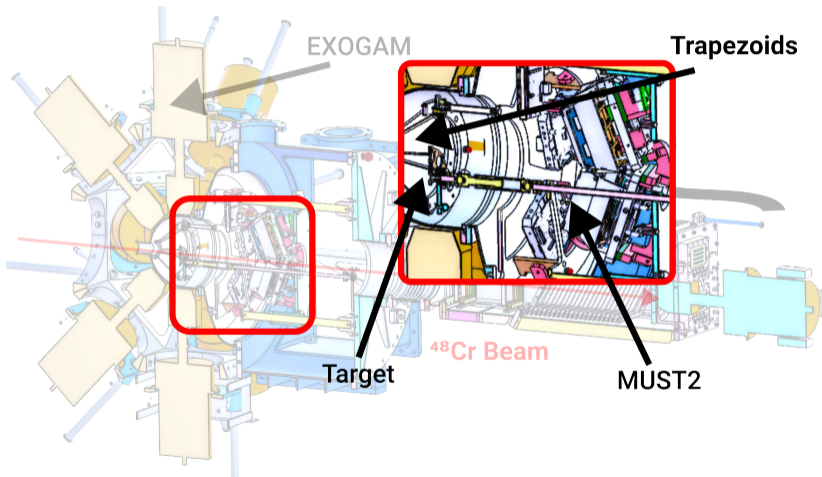
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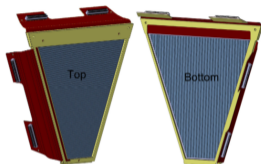


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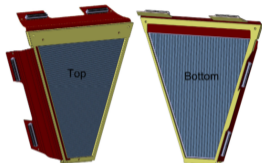
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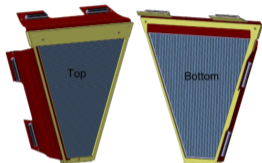


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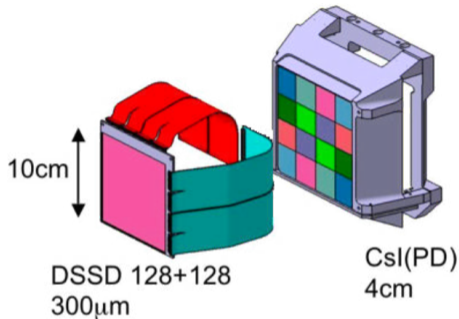
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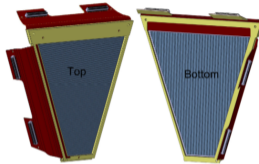


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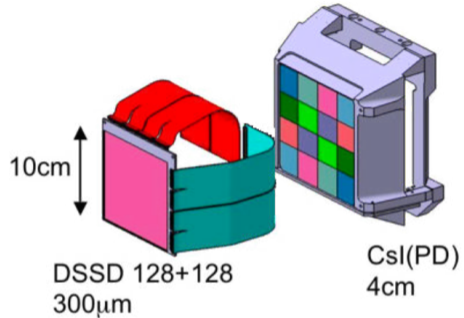


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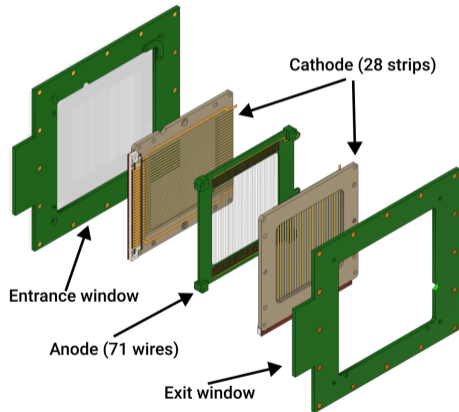
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- Two layers of detection: DSSD and CsI crystals
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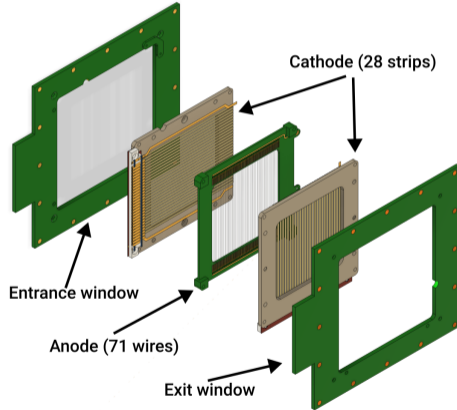
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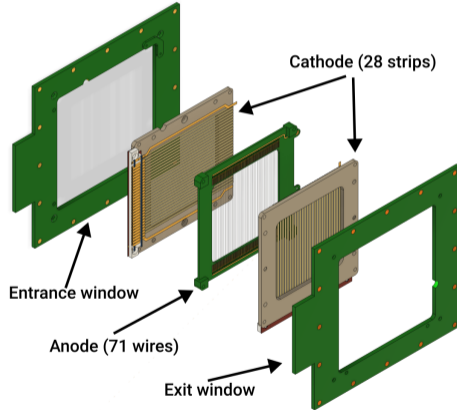


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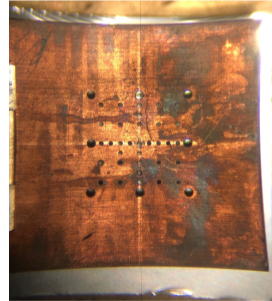
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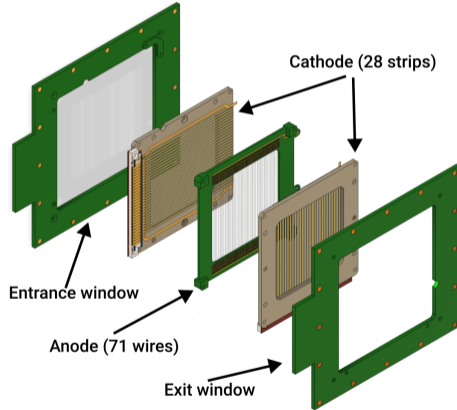
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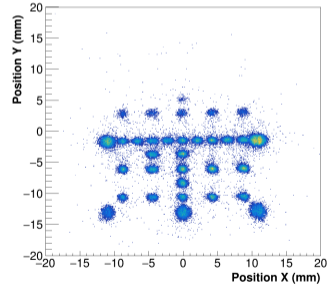
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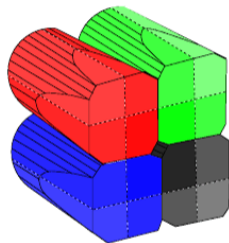
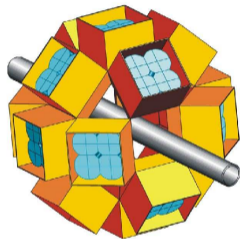
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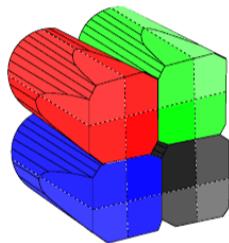
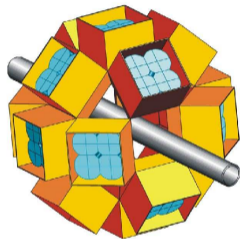
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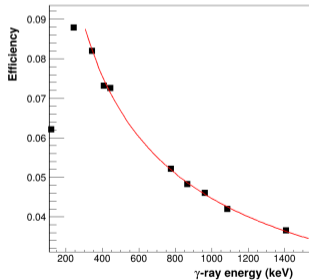
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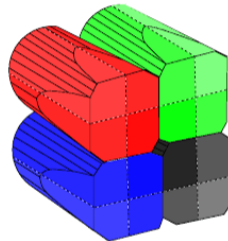
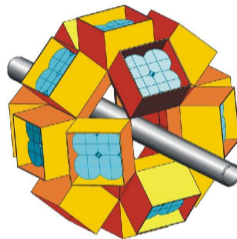
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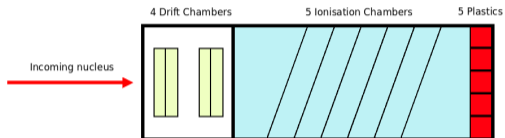
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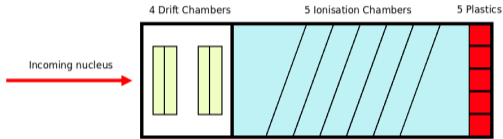
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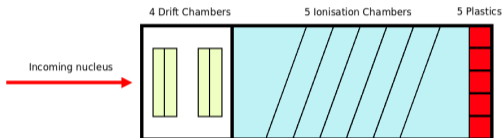


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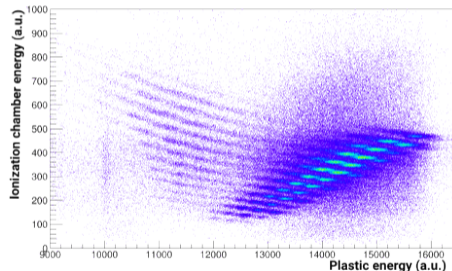
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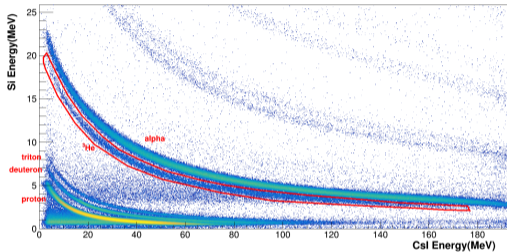




Analysis example
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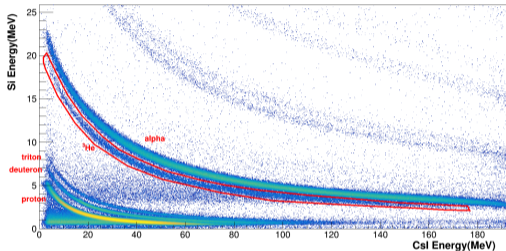


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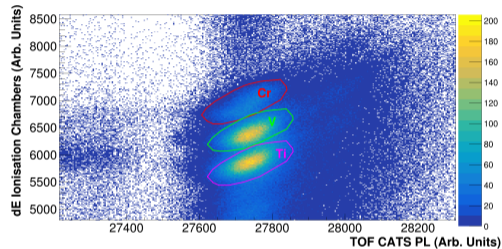
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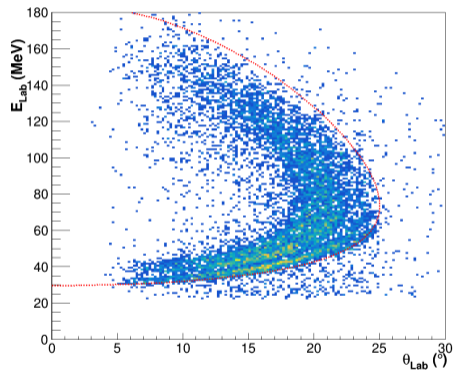


$\Delta E/\text{TOF}$ identification in the ZDD

- Spectrum in coinc. with ^3He
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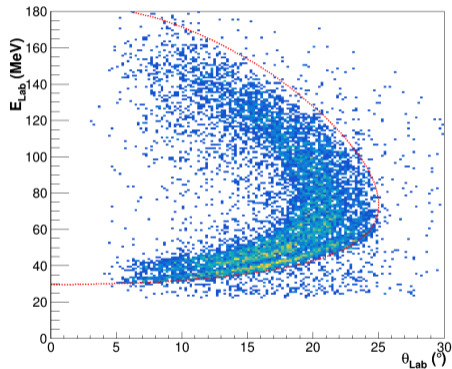
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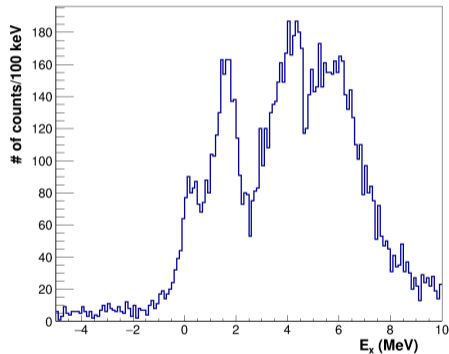
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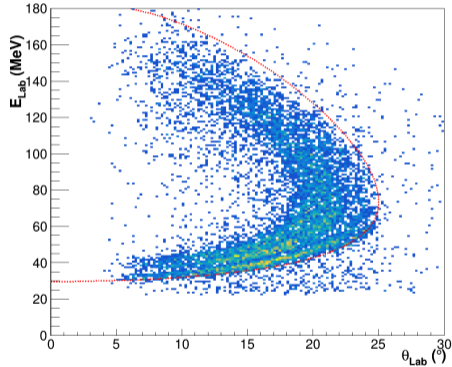
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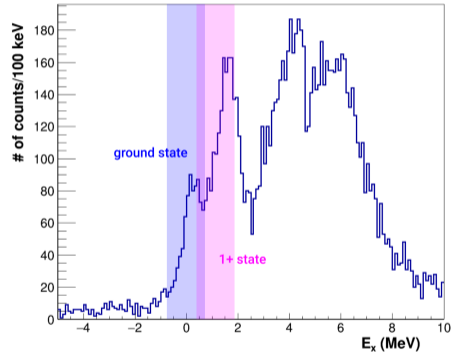
Two-body kinematics

Missing mass method



$^{48}\text{Cr}(p, ^3\text{He})^{46}\text{V}$ kinematic lines

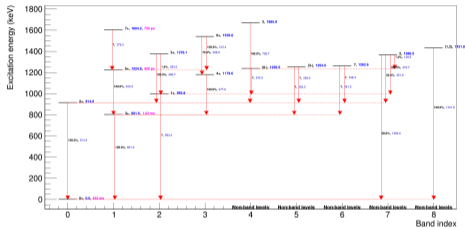
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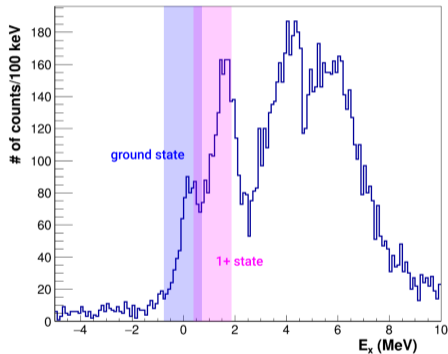
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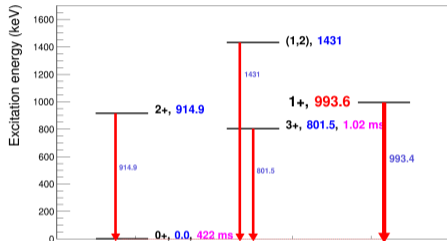
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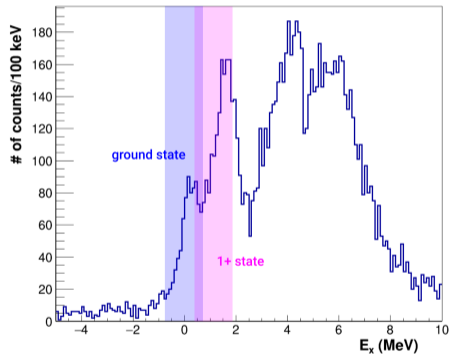
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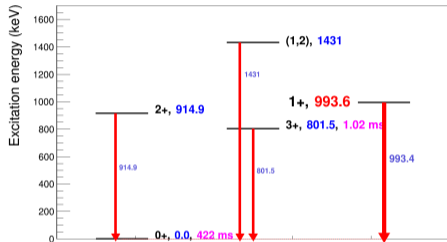
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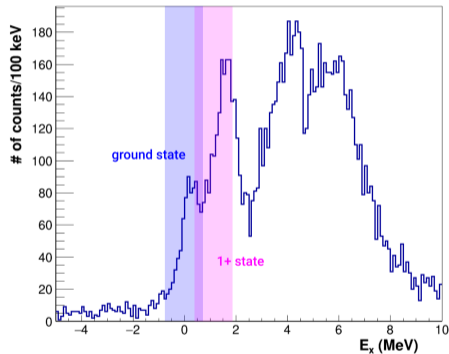
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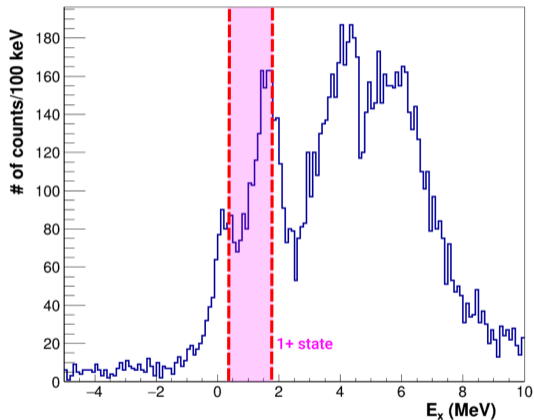
- Resolution: 420 keV σ
- γ -rays needed for excited states

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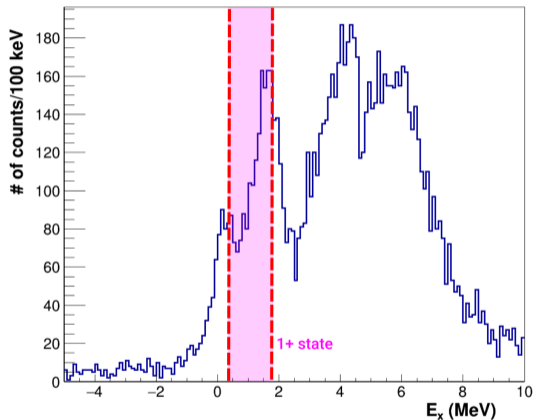
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Excitation energy gate around 993 keV

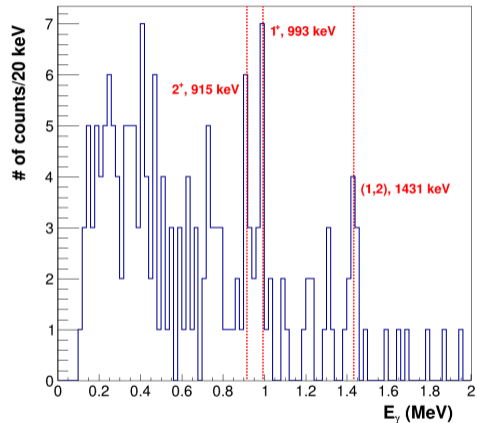
γ -ray identification

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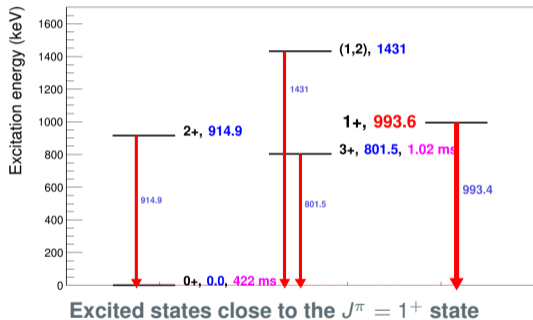
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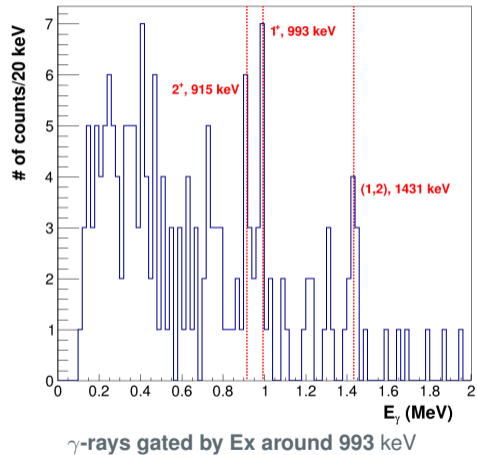
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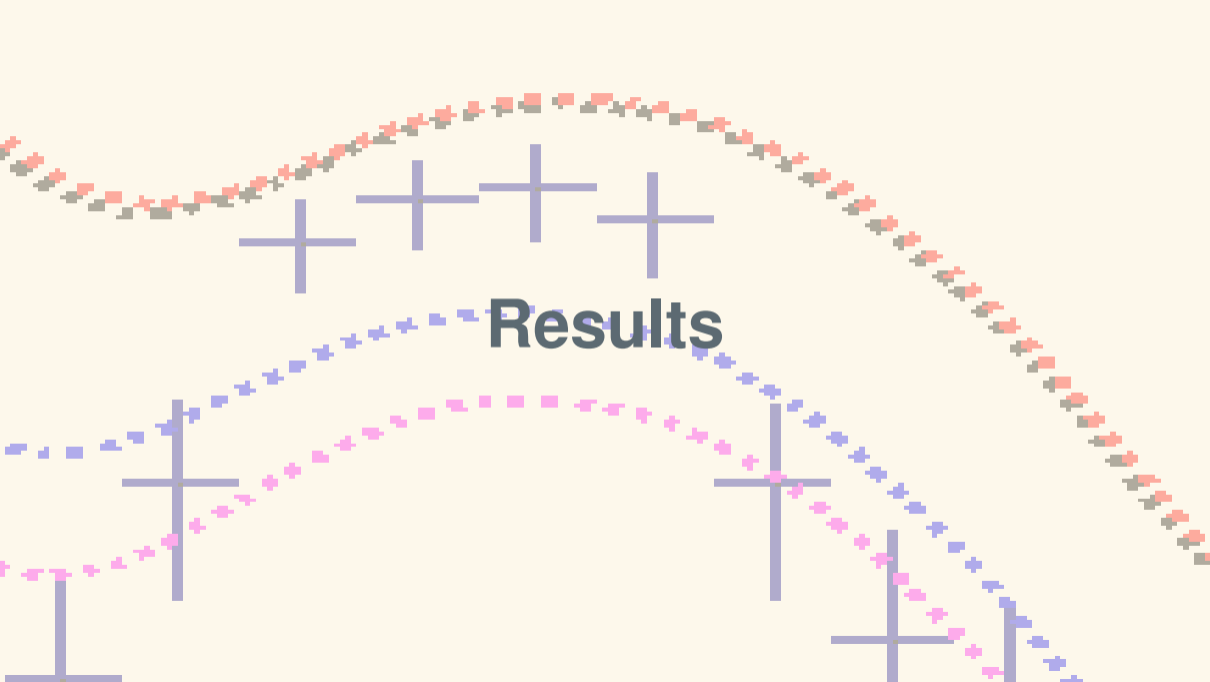
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Decay scheme



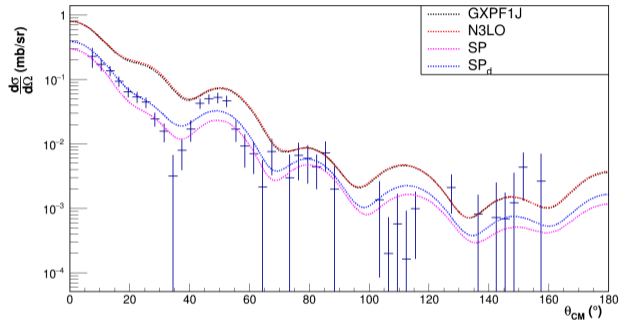
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Isvector channel angular distribution

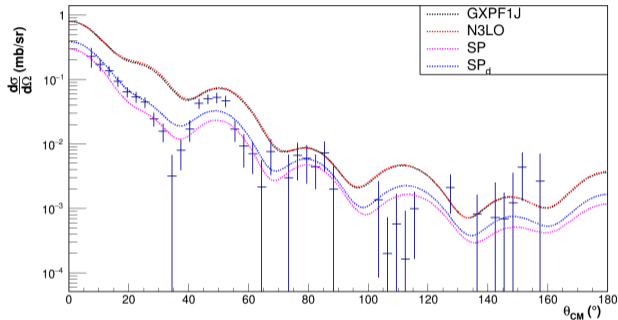
Comparison with DWBA



Angular distribution of $^{48}\text{Cr}(p,^3\text{He})^{46}\text{V}$ $J^\pi = 0^+$

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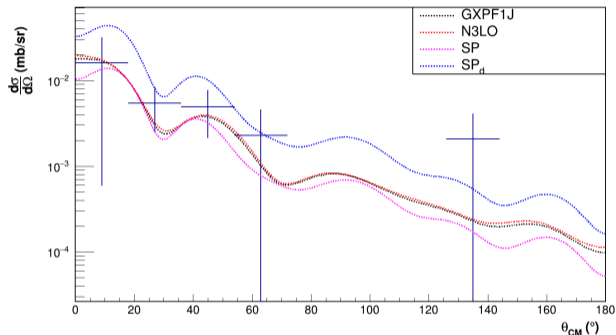
Source	σ_{0^+} (μb)
Exp. result	141(5) _{stat} (15) _{sys}
GXPF1J CH	414
GXPF1J KD	385
N3LO CH	432
N3LO KD	398
SP CH	37
SP KD	37
SP_d CH	154
SP_d KD	158

CS between 5 and 160 degrees CM.

- Result compatible with SP_d config.

Isoscalar channel angular distribution

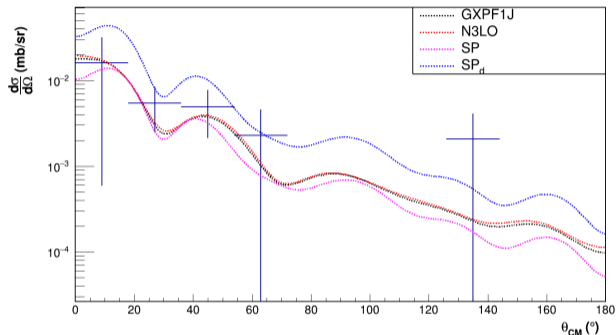
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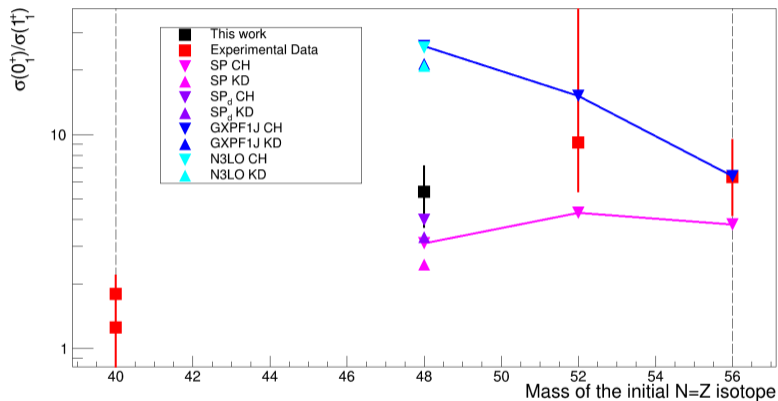
Source	σ_{1^+} (μb)
Exp. result	$26(8)_{\text{stat}}(3)_{\text{sys}}$
GXPF1J CH	16
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N3LO CH	17
N3LO KD	19
SP CH	12
SP KD	15
SP_d CH	39
SP_d KD	48

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Cross section ratio

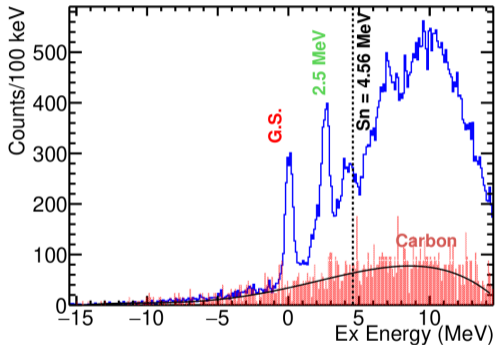
Isvector/isoscalar cross section ratio



Cross section ratio compared with calculations and experimental data

Results of other experiments: $^{68}\text{Ni}(p,d)$ and (d,p)

$^{68}\text{Ni}(d,p)$ excitation energy



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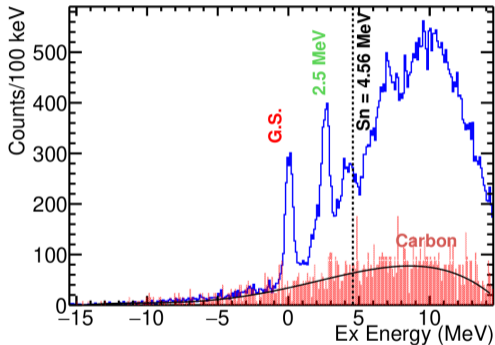
Scientific motivations

- Measuring neutron orbitals and their occupancy around $N=40$
- Access to orbitals from $f_{7/2}$ to $g_{7/2}$
- Spin orbit splitting in f , p and g orbitals

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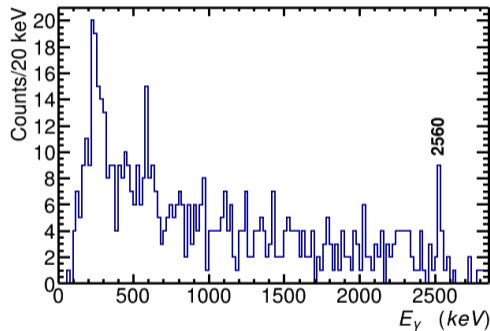
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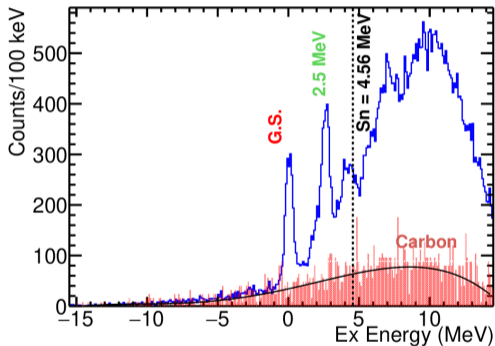
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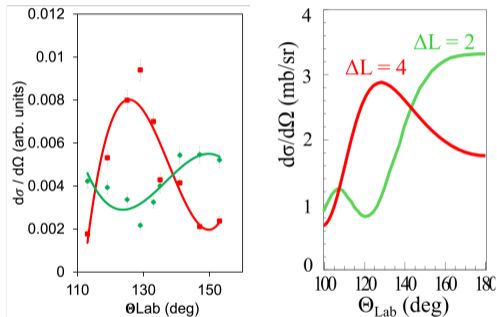
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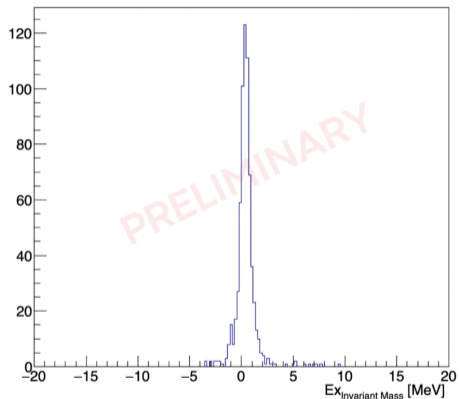


(Left) Experiment (Right) DWBA

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Results of other experiments: $^{10}\text{Be}(d,^6\text{Li})$ and (p,α)

$^{10}\text{Be}(d,^6\text{Li})$ excitation energy



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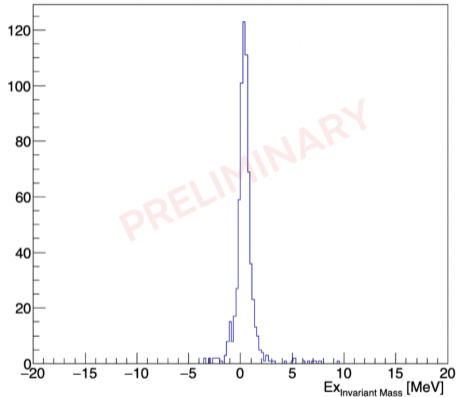
Scientific motivations

- Comparing α and triton clustering by transfer
- AMD interpretation of clustering in Be isotopes
- Comparing transfer and knockout methods for clustering

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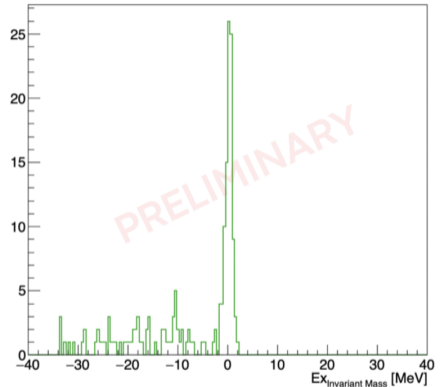
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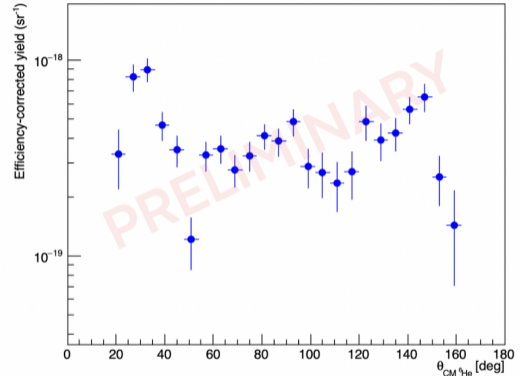
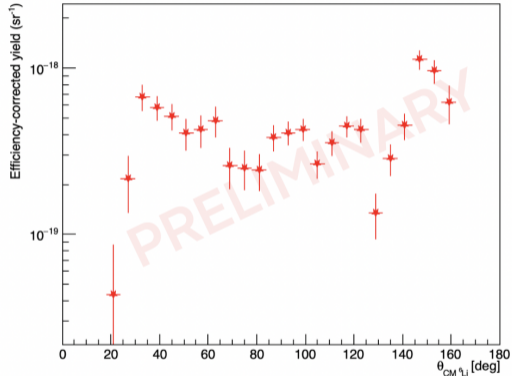
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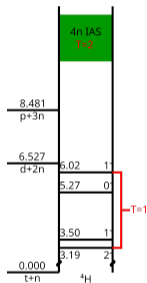
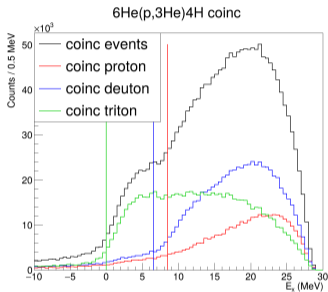
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Results of other experiments: ${}^6\text{He}(p, {}^3\text{He}){}^4\text{H}$

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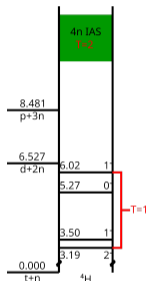
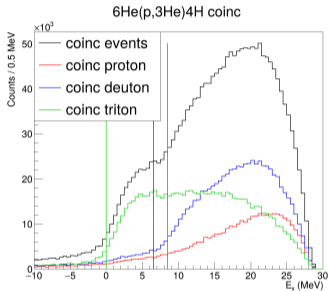
Scientific motivations

- Measuring the IAS of tetraneutron in ${}^4\text{H}$
- Understand the nature of the peak found in Duer et al.

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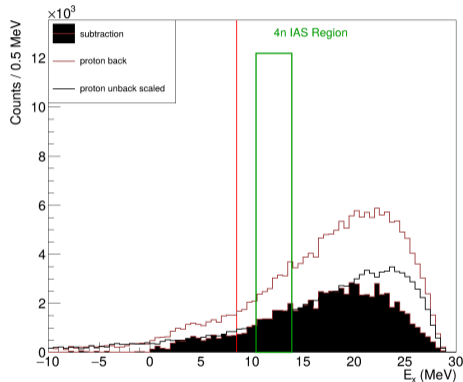
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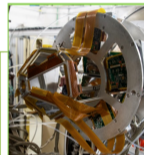
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