

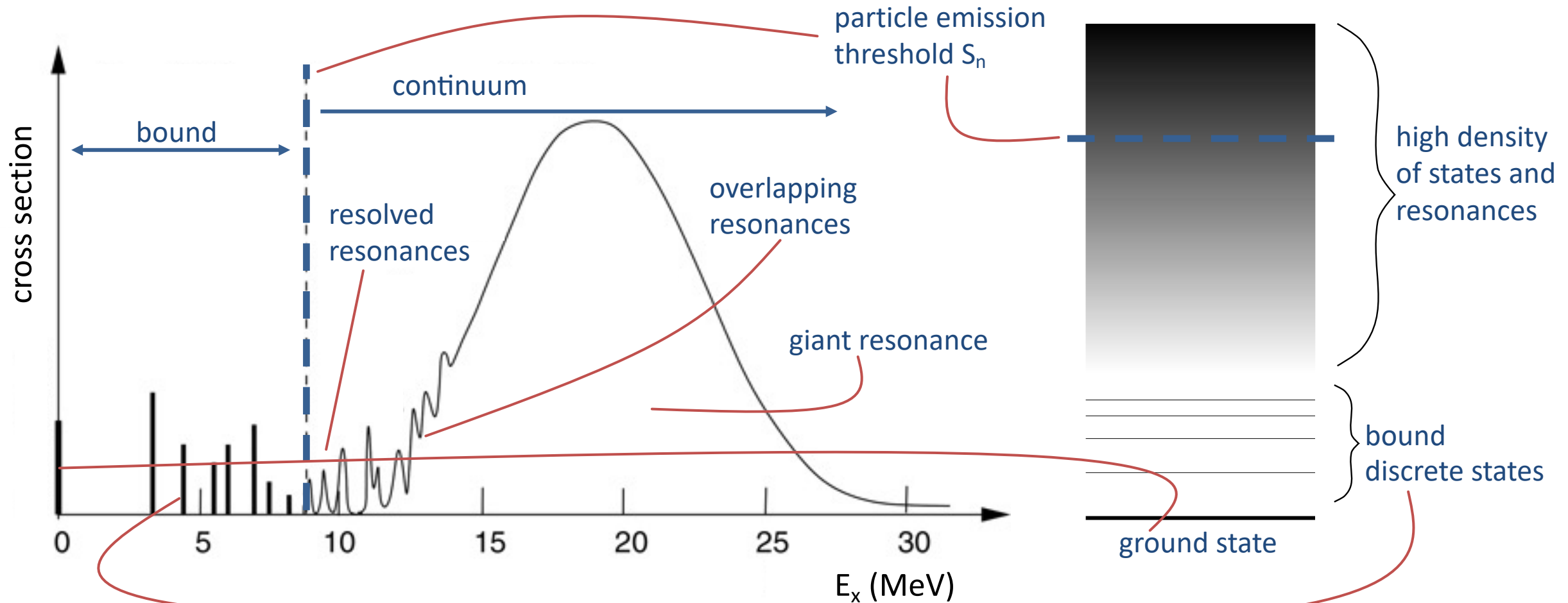
# GFT: Connecting the Optical Potential with reaction observables.

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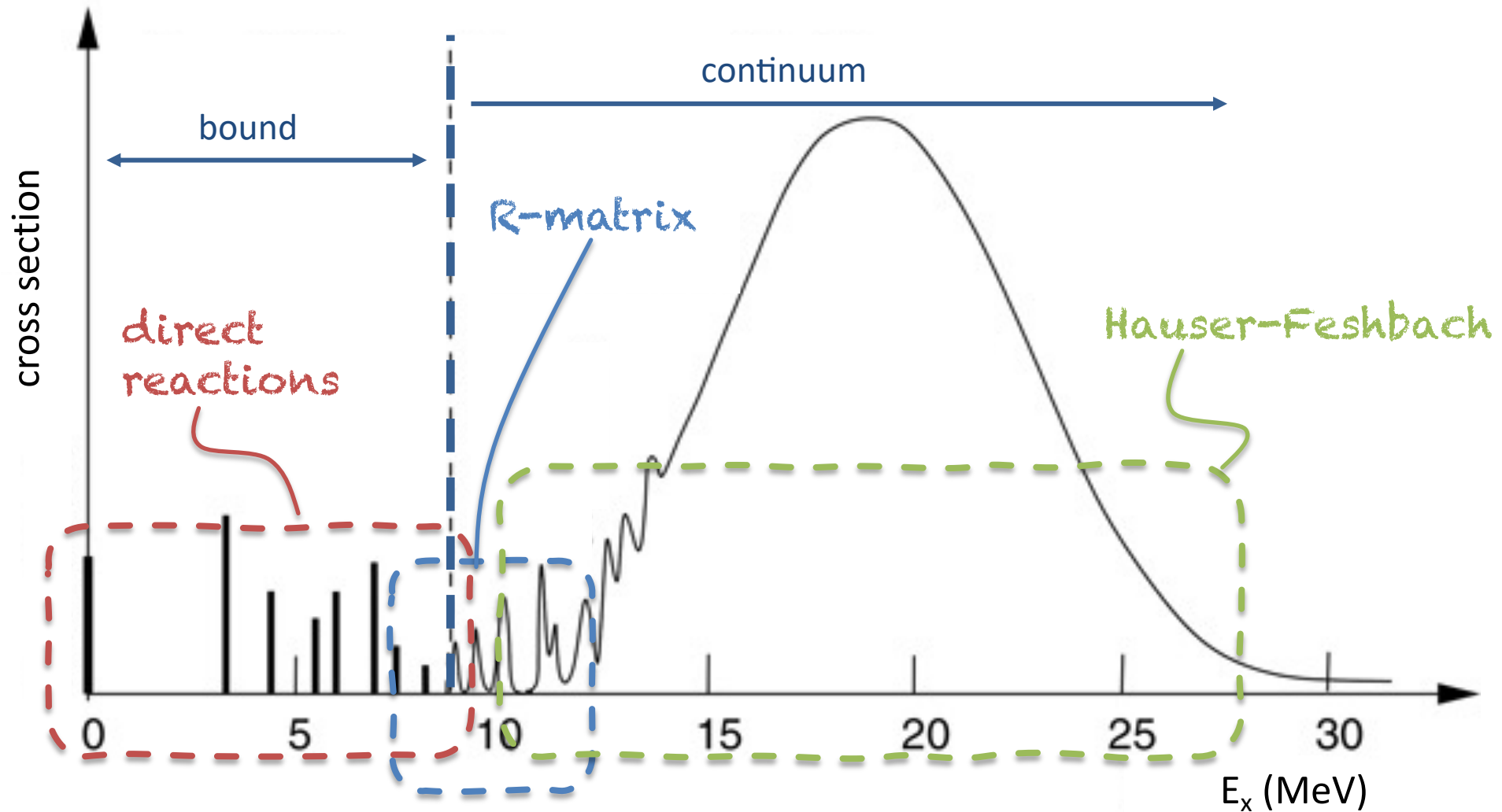
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# Features of nuclear spectra probed by nuclear reactions



# Which reaction theories, and where?



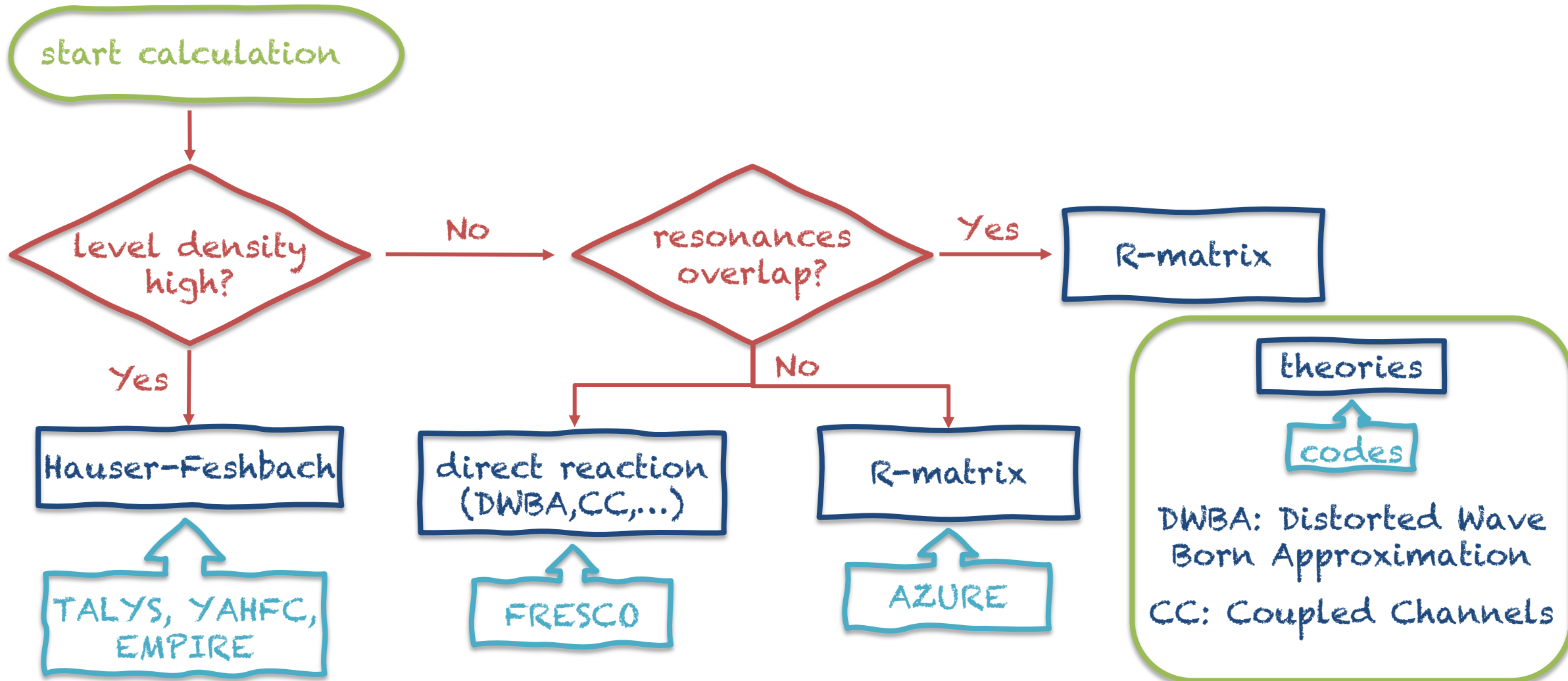
# The Optical Potential is a projection of the many-body Hamiltonian on the elastic channel

$$\begin{bmatrix} T+V_{00} & V_{01} & V_{02} & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ V_{10} & T+V_{11} & V_{12} & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ V_{20} & V_{21} & T+V_{22} & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & & \bullet & \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & & & \bullet \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow [T + \textcircled{V}]$$

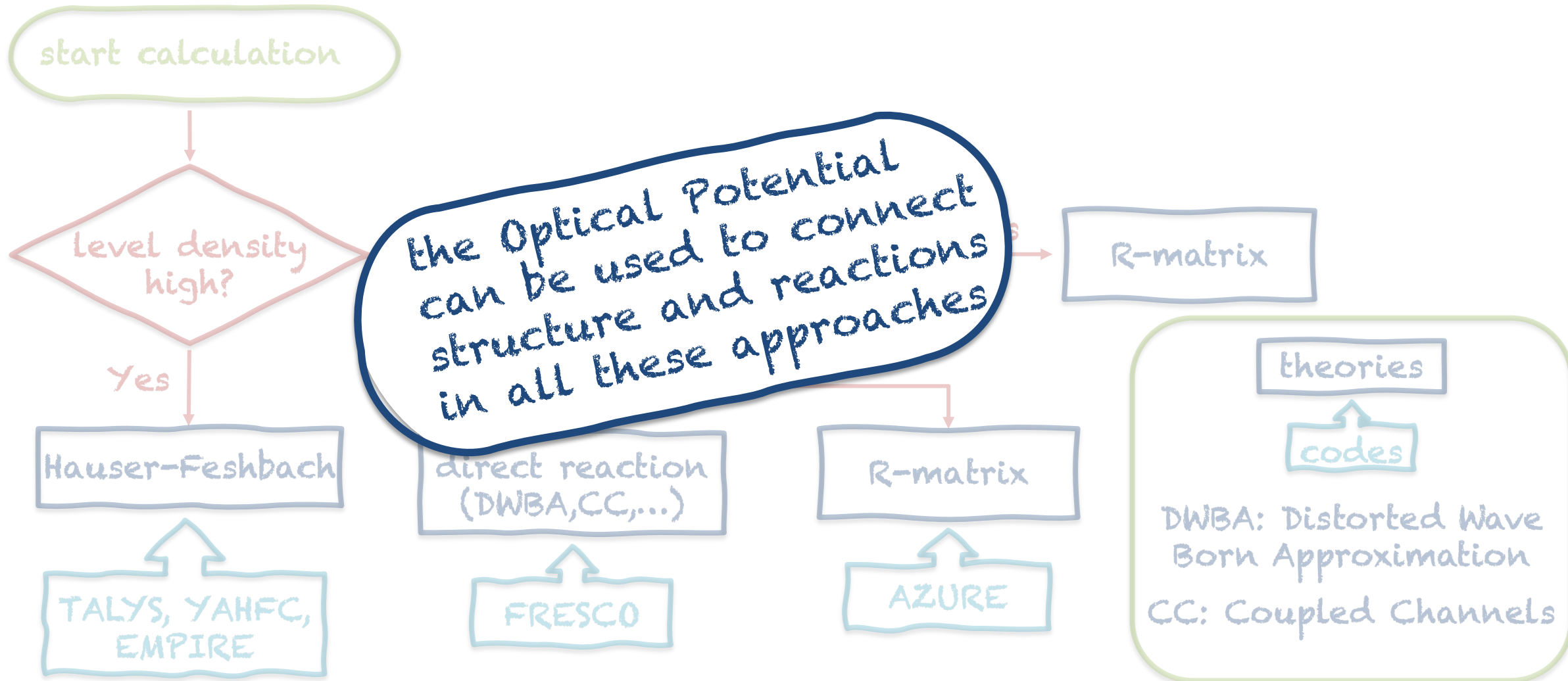
- The “**optical reduction**” transforms a many-body operator into a one-body operator
- It is a **well-defined**, in principle **exact**, mathematical operation



# Nuclear reaction theorist's roadmap

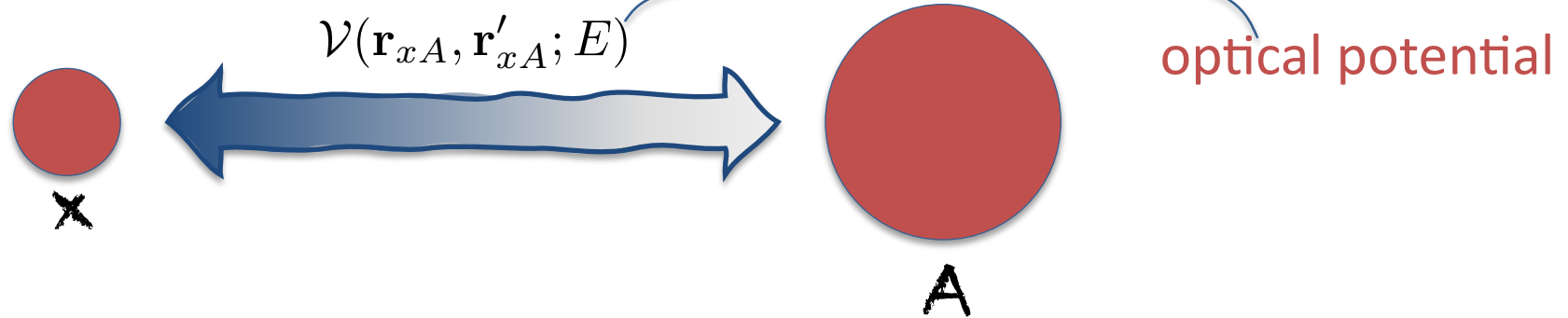


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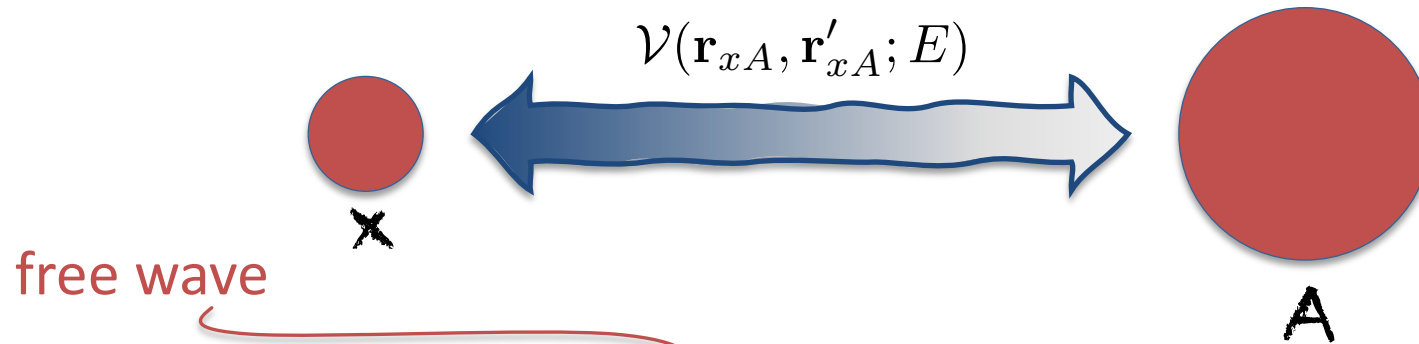
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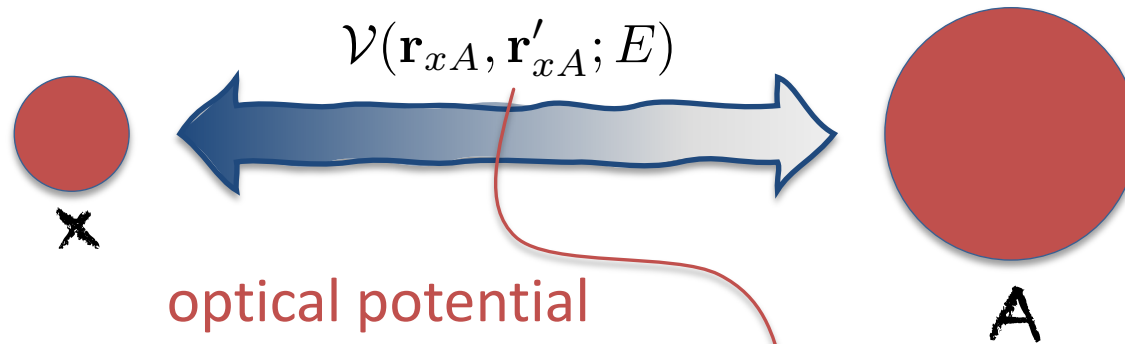
$$\psi_0(r_{xA}, E) = F(r_{xA}) + G(E) \mathcal{V}(E) F(r_{xA})$$

Lippmann-Schwinger equation



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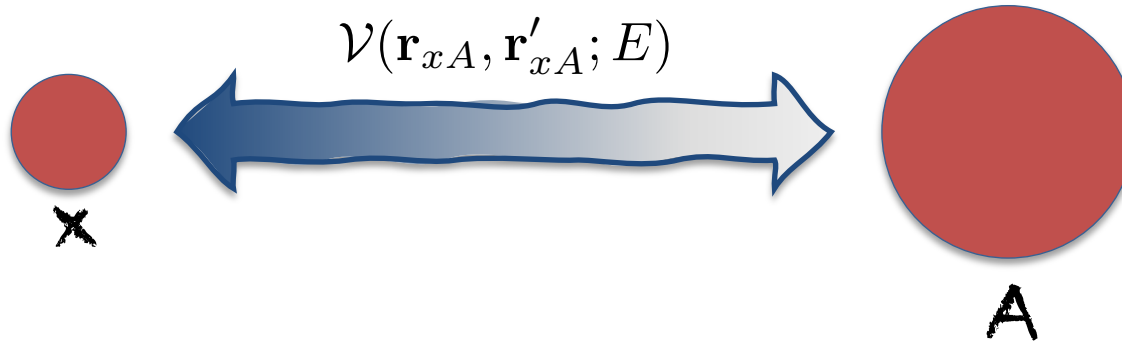
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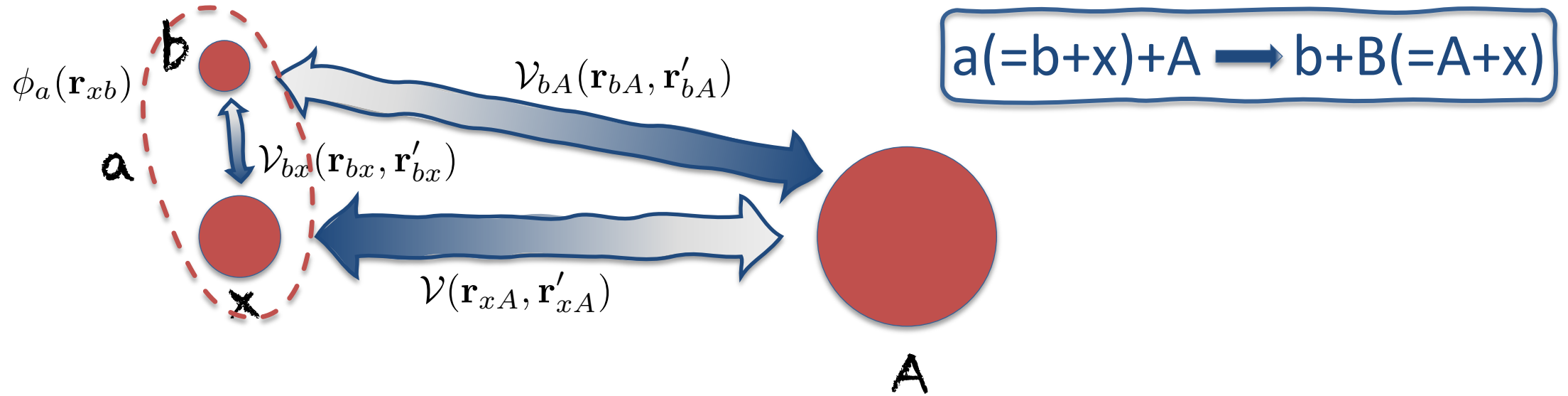
Green's function

$$G(E) = (E - T_x - \mathcal{V}(E))^{-1}$$

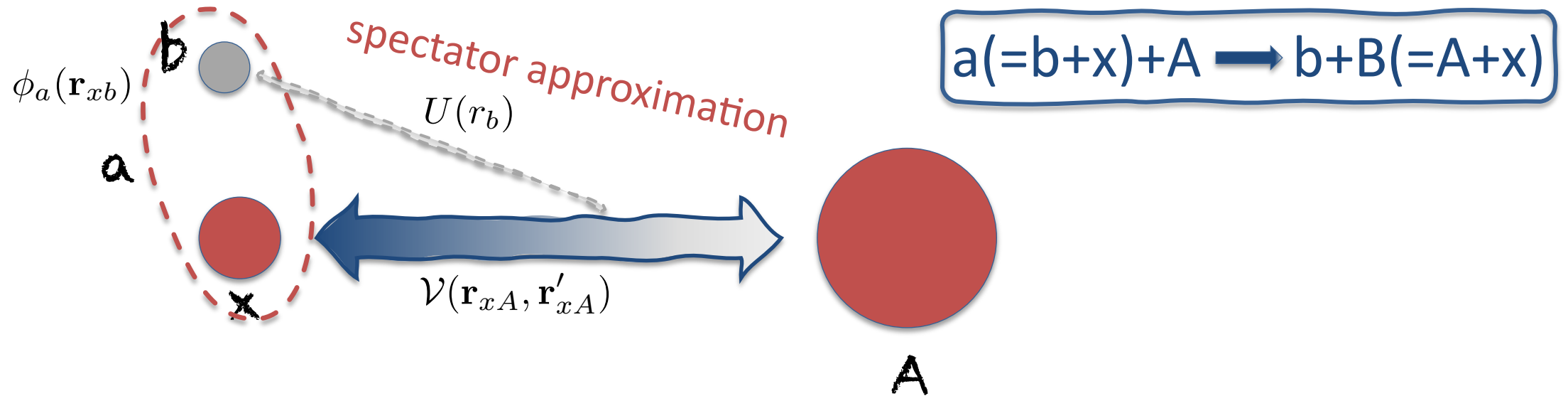
reaction cross section

$$\sigma_R = \frac{2\mu}{\hbar k_x} \langle \psi_0 | \text{Im} \mathcal{V} | \psi_0 \rangle$$

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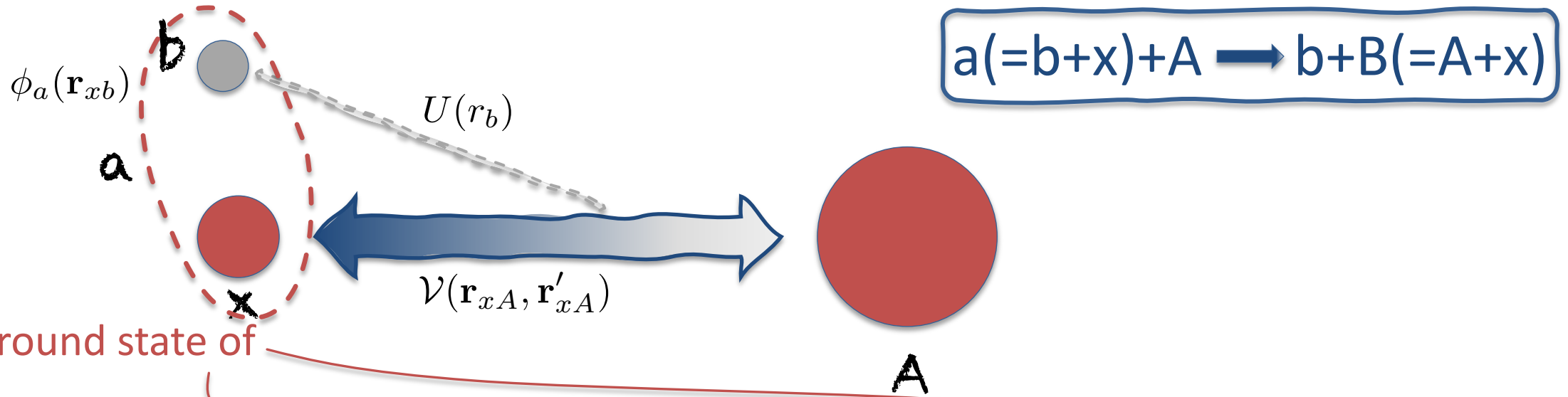


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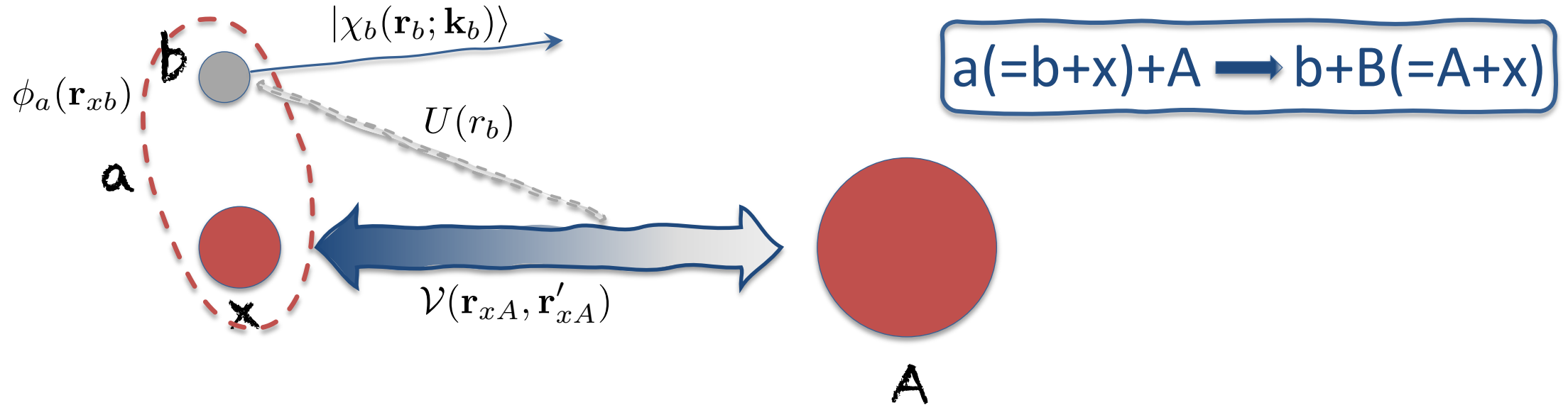


intrinsic ground state of nucleus  $a$

$$\Psi_0(\mathbf{r}_{xA}, \mathbf{r}_b) = F(\mathbf{r}_a)\phi_a(\mathbf{r}_{xb}) + G(E - E_b)\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{r}_b) [\mathcal{V}(E - E_b) + U_b(\mathbf{r}_b)] F(\mathbf{r}_a)\phi_a(\mathbf{r}_{xb})$$

free wave for nucleus  $a$

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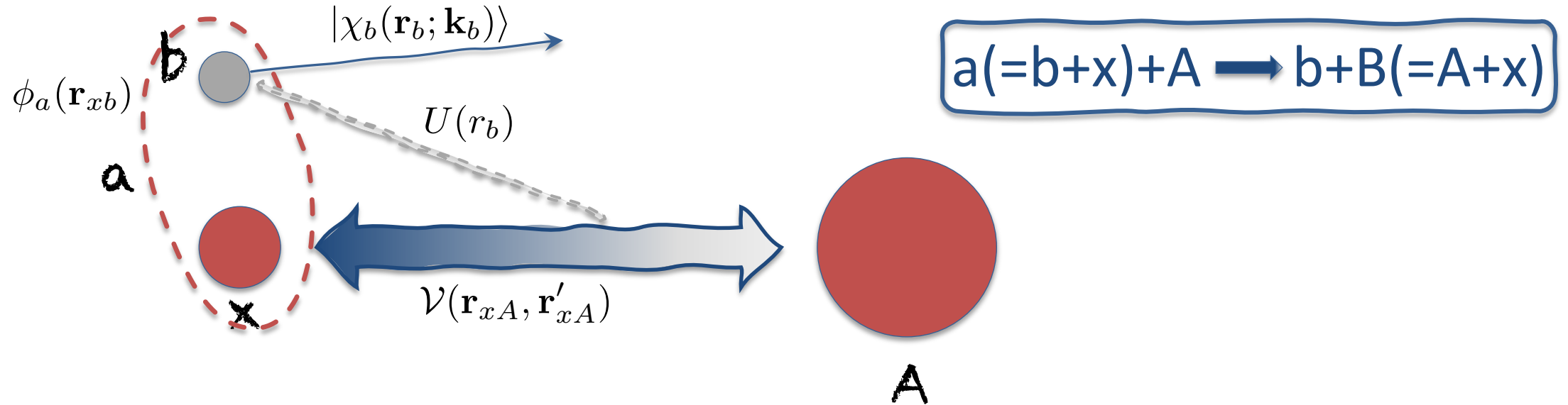


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projector over **b** states  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{r}_b) = \int |\chi_b(\mathbf{r}_b; \mathbf{k}_b)\rangle \langle \chi_b(\mathbf{r}_b; \mathbf{k}_b)| d\mathbf{k}_b$

$$E_b = \frac{\hbar^2 k_b^2}{2\mu_b}$$

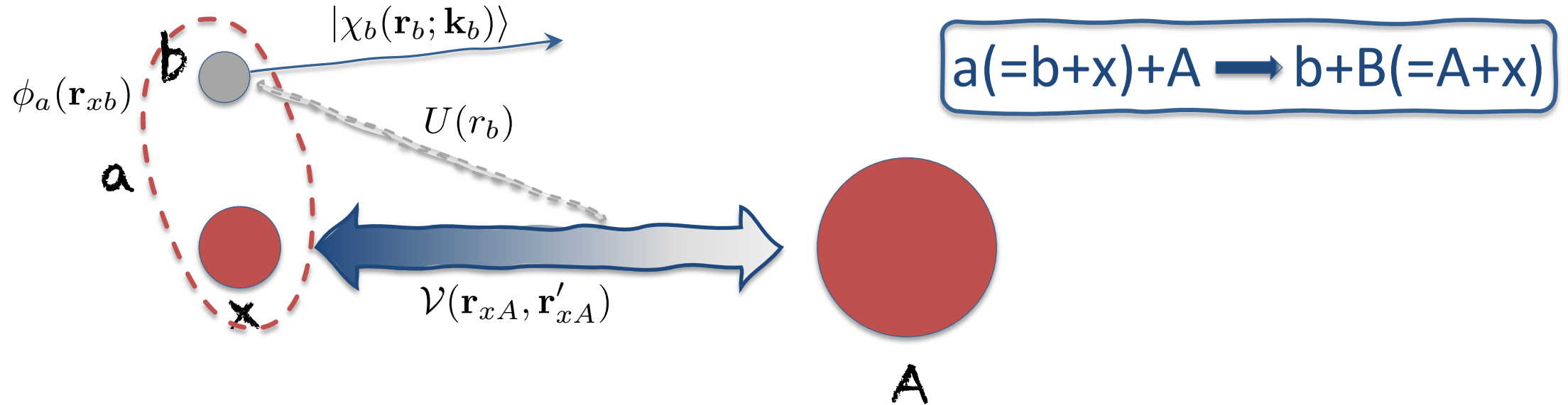
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 Same as for x-A scattering!

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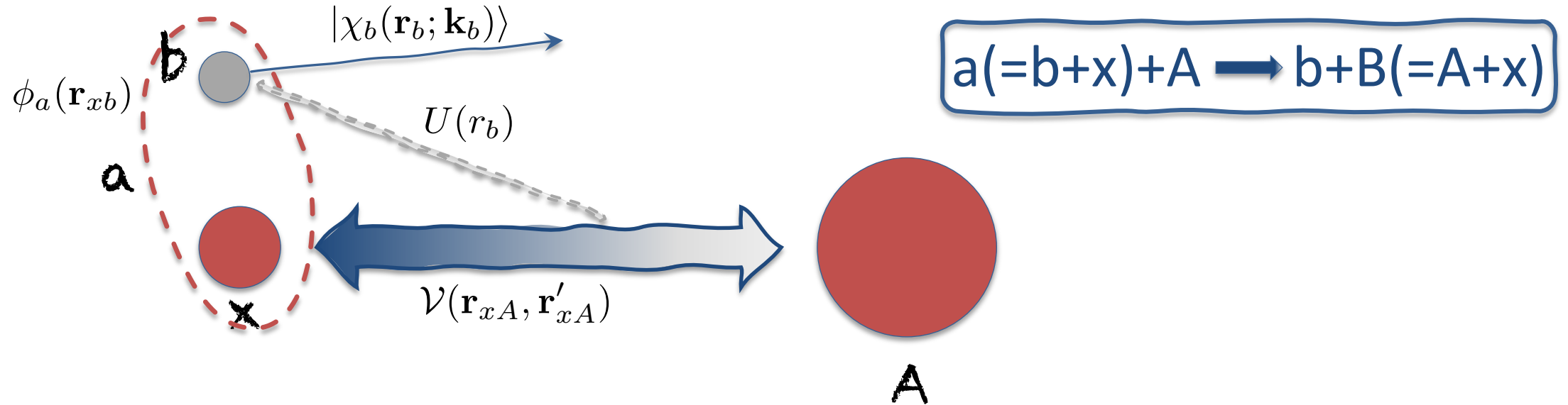


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factorized propagator



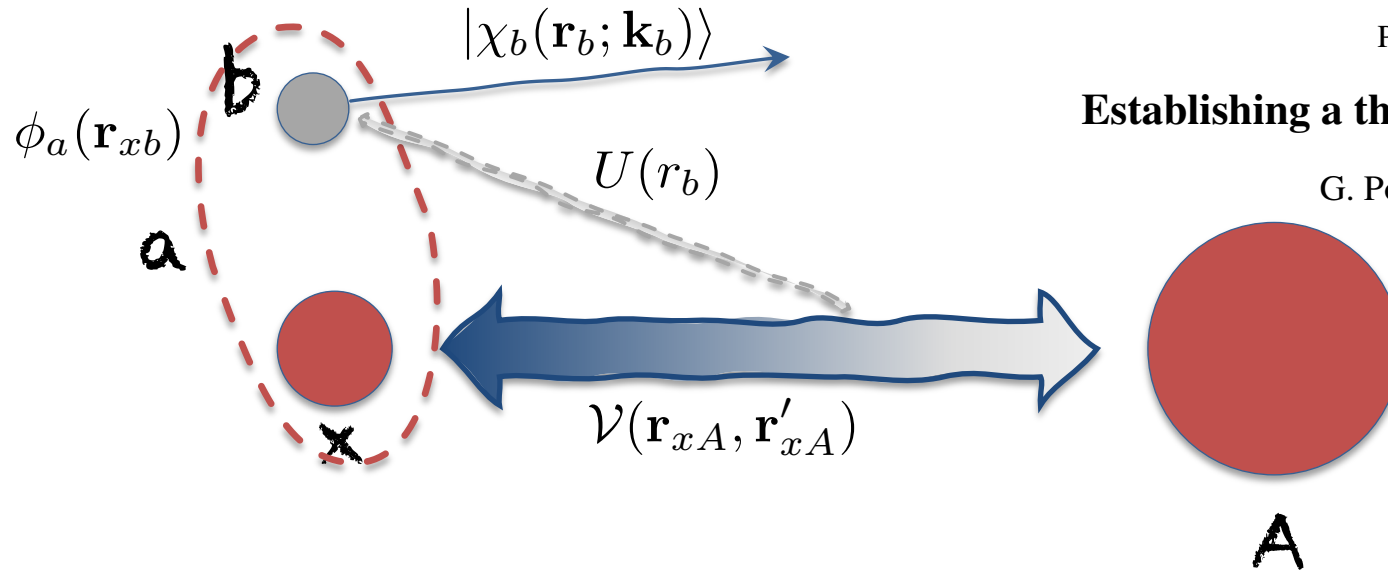
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$$\langle \chi_b(\mathbf{r}_b; \mathbf{k}_b) | \Psi_0(\mathbf{r}_{xA}, \mathbf{r}_b) = \langle \chi_b(\mathbf{r}_b; \mathbf{k}_b) | (F(\mathbf{r}_a)\phi_a(\mathbf{r}_{xb}) + G(E - E_b)\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{r}_b)[\mathcal{V}(E - E_b) + U_b(\mathbf{r}_b)]F(\mathbf{r}_a)\phi_a(\mathbf{r}_{xb}))$$

project over **b** state to get **x-A** wavefunction

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$$\psi_0^I(\mathbf{r}_{xA}, E) = \psi^{HM}(\mathbf{r}_a) + G(E - E_b) [\mathcal{V}(E - E_b)\psi^{HM} + \langle \chi_b | U_b(\mathbf{r}_b) ] F(\mathbf{r}_a) \phi_a(\mathbf{r}_{xb})$$

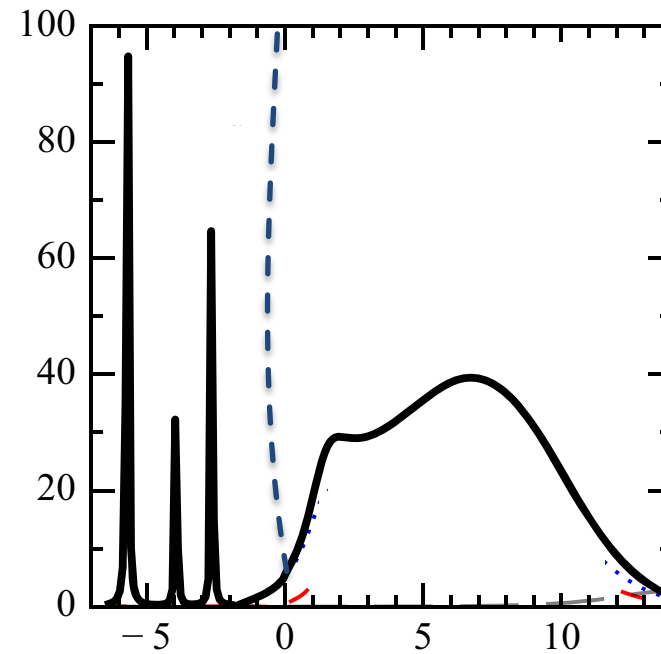
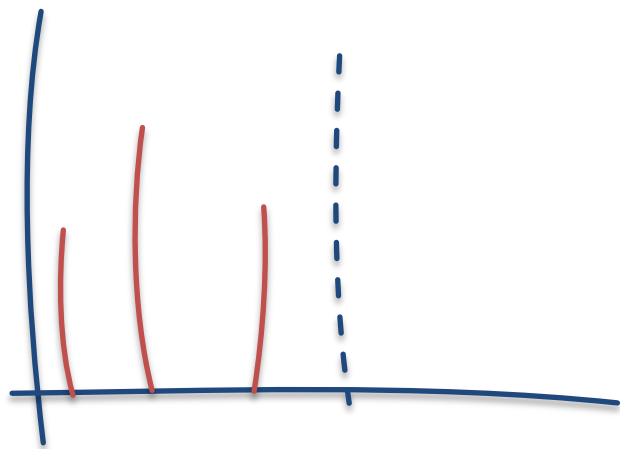
$$\psi^{HM}(\mathbf{r}_{xA}) = \int \chi_b^*(\mathbf{r}_{bB}, \mathbf{k}_b) \phi_a(\mathbf{r}_{xb}) F(\mathbf{r}_{aA}) d\mathbf{r}_{xb} \quad \text{Hussein-McVoy term}$$

$$\sigma_R^I(E, E_b) = \frac{2\mu}{\hbar k_x} \langle \psi_0^I | \text{Im} \mathcal{V}(E - E_b) | \psi_0^I \rangle \quad \text{inclusive } \mathbf{x}\text{-A cross section}$$

# DWBA vs GFT

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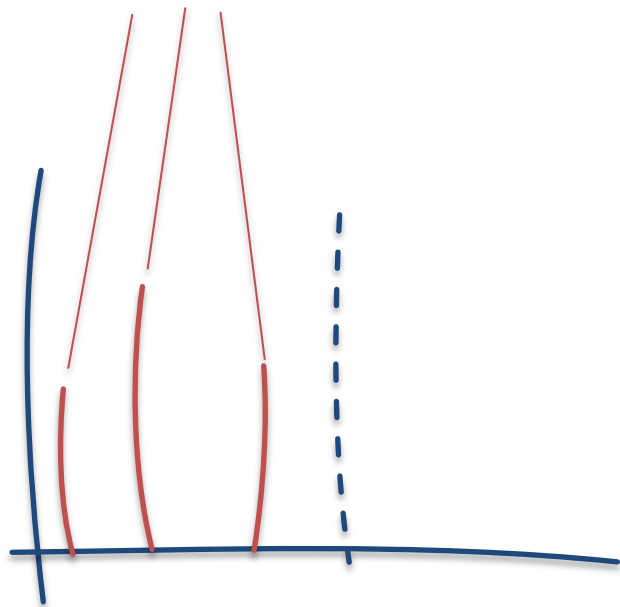
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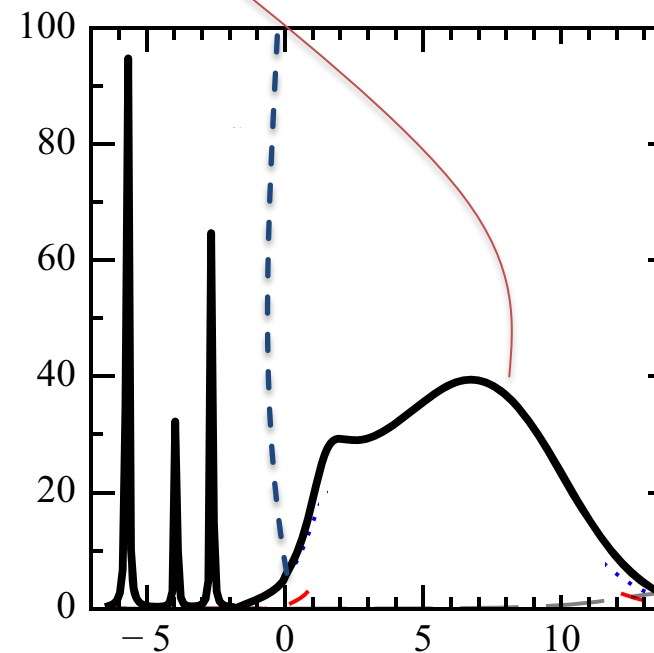
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continuous function of E



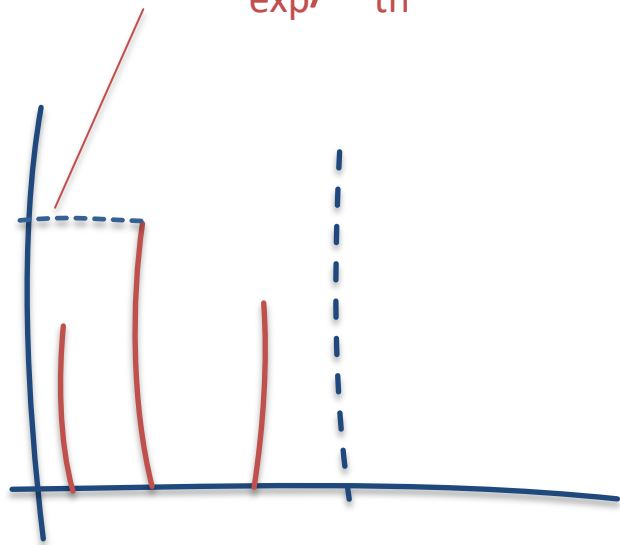


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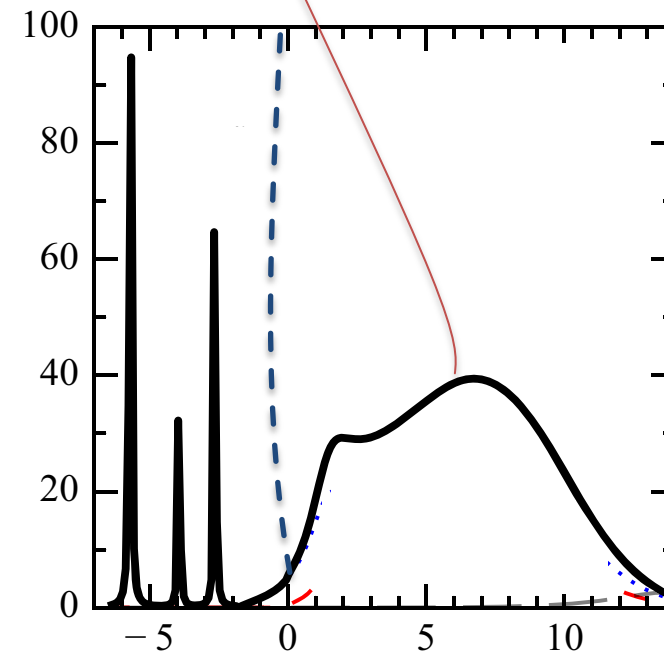
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extracted  $S = \sigma_{\text{exp}} / \sigma_{\text{th}}$



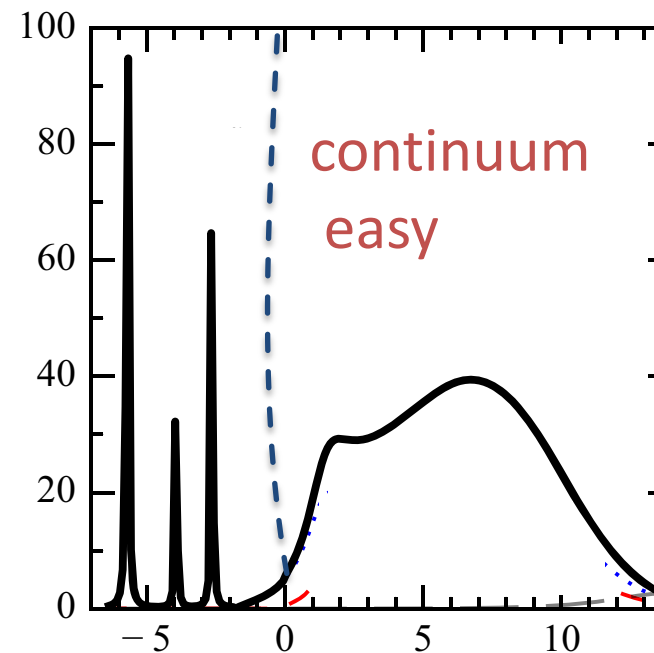
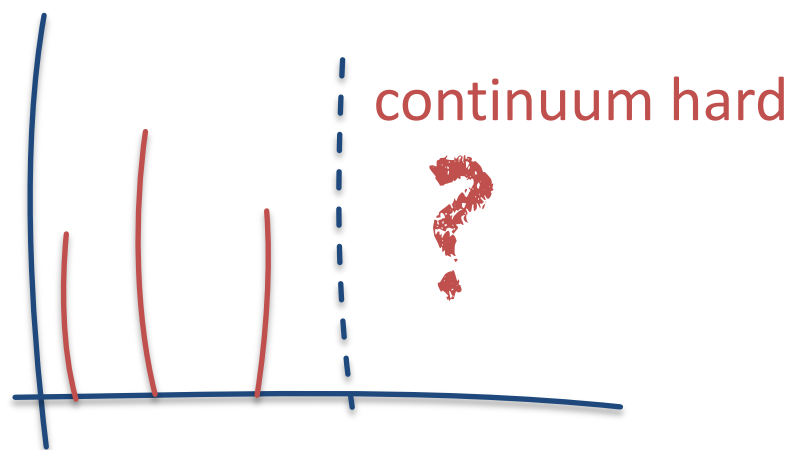
consistent normalization



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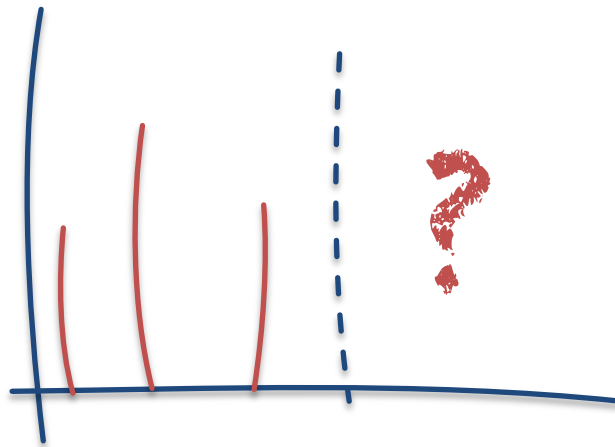
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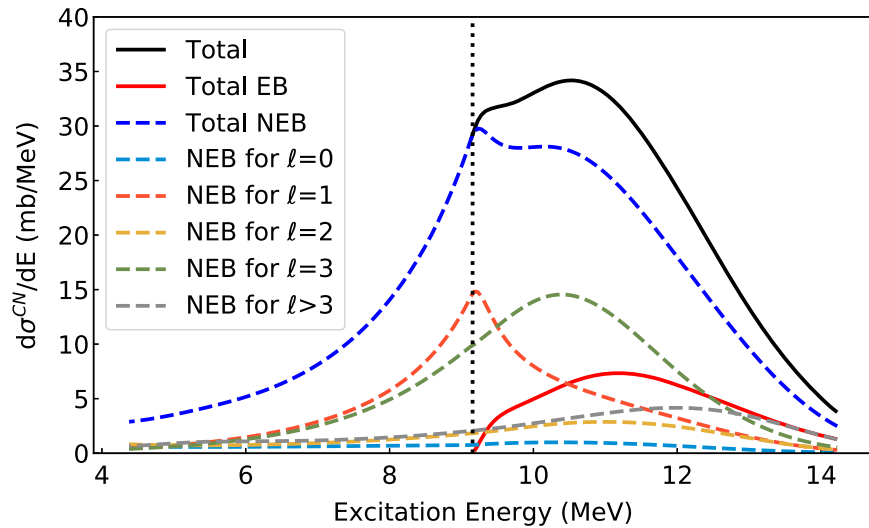
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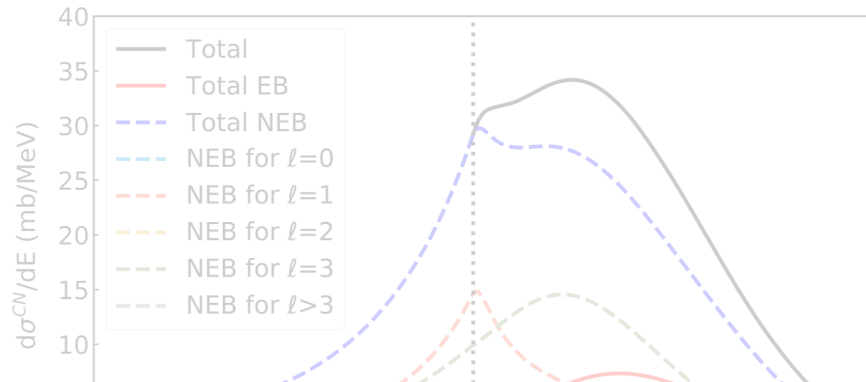
- Consistency between structure and reactions
- Same ingredients as  $\chi$ -A scattering
- Need for tools for inverting Hamiltonians with non-local potentials

# Applications Koning-Delaroche: $^{95}\text{Mo}(d,p\gamma)$ for $(n,\gamma)$

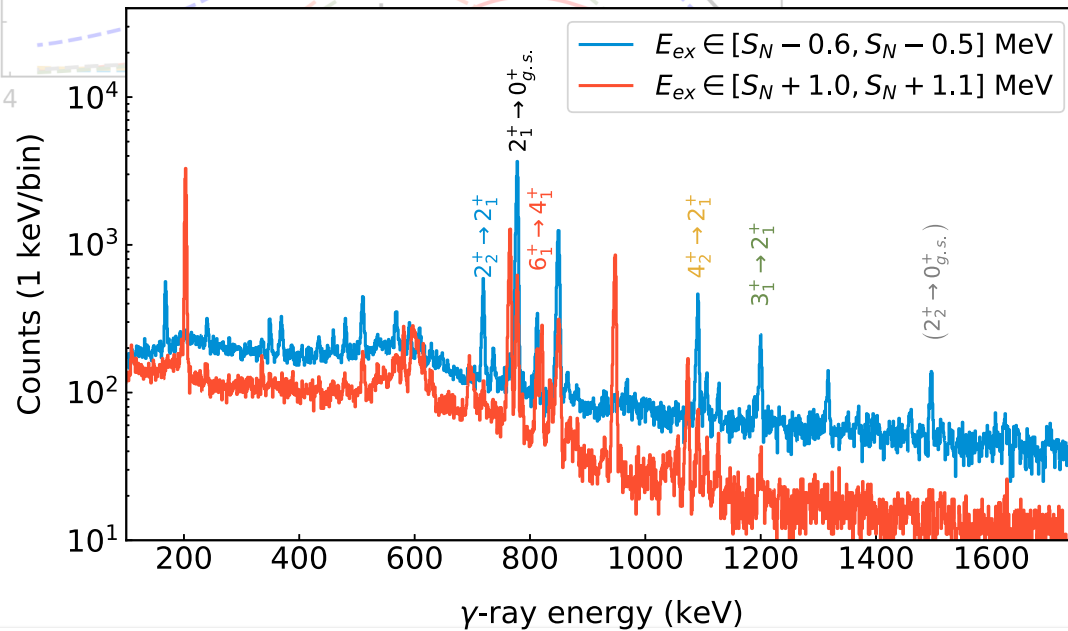


- **Absorption** of the neutron as a function of excitation **energy** and **spin** computed with **GFT** formalism
- We used the phenomenological **Koning-Delaroche OP**

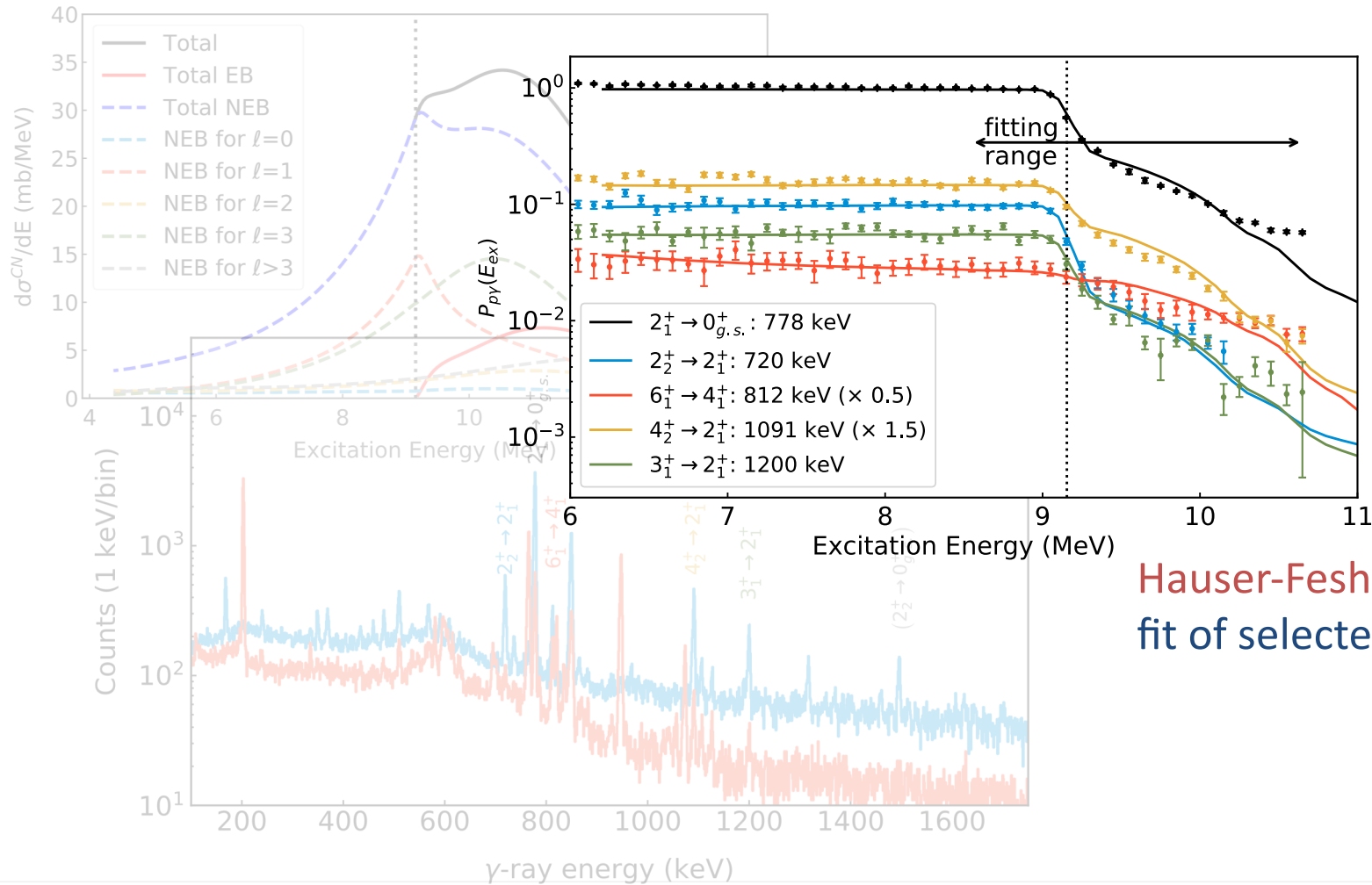
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- $\gamma$  rays observed in coincidence with protons
- transitions from both  $^{95}\text{Mo}$  and  $^{96}\text{Mo}$  are identified



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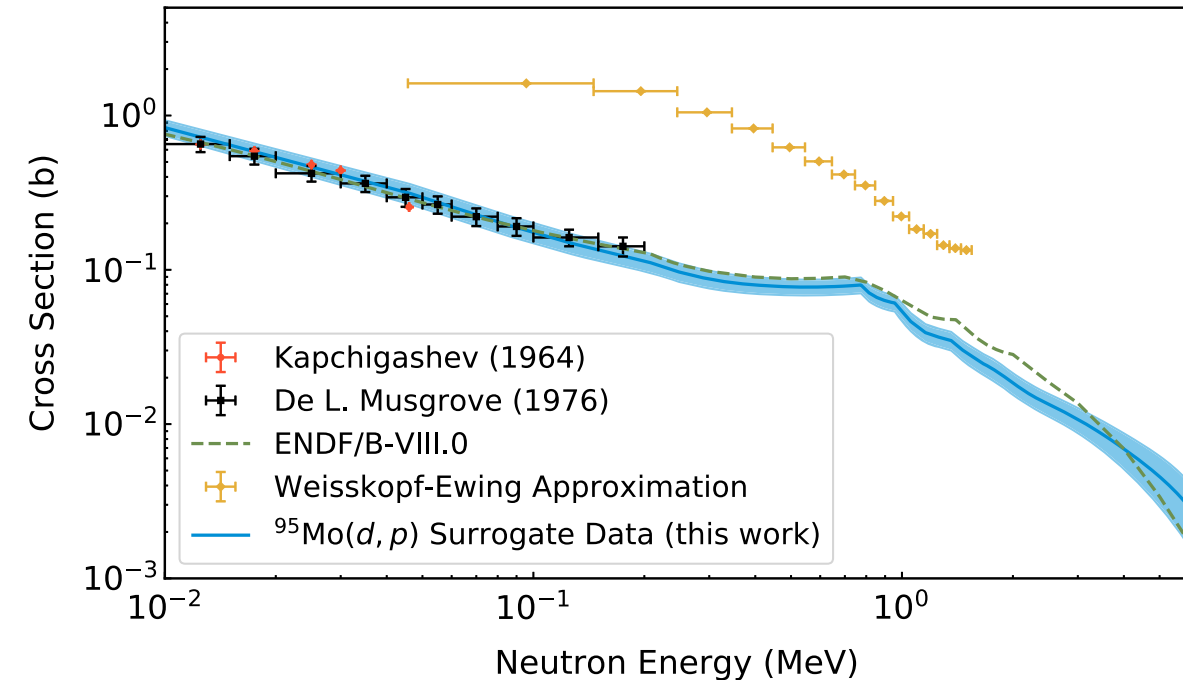
Hauser-Feshbach parameters determined by fit of selected  $\gamma$  lines (J. Escher)

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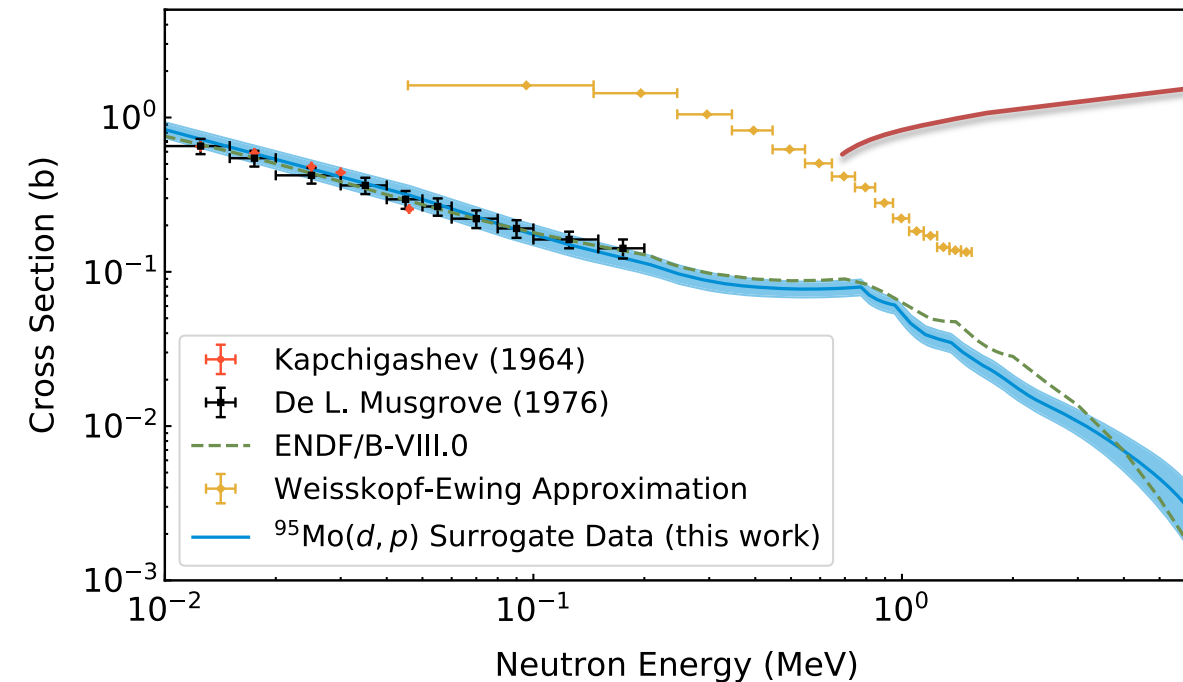


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a failure to account for the initial spin distribution (Weisskopf-Ewing approximation) leads to poor results!

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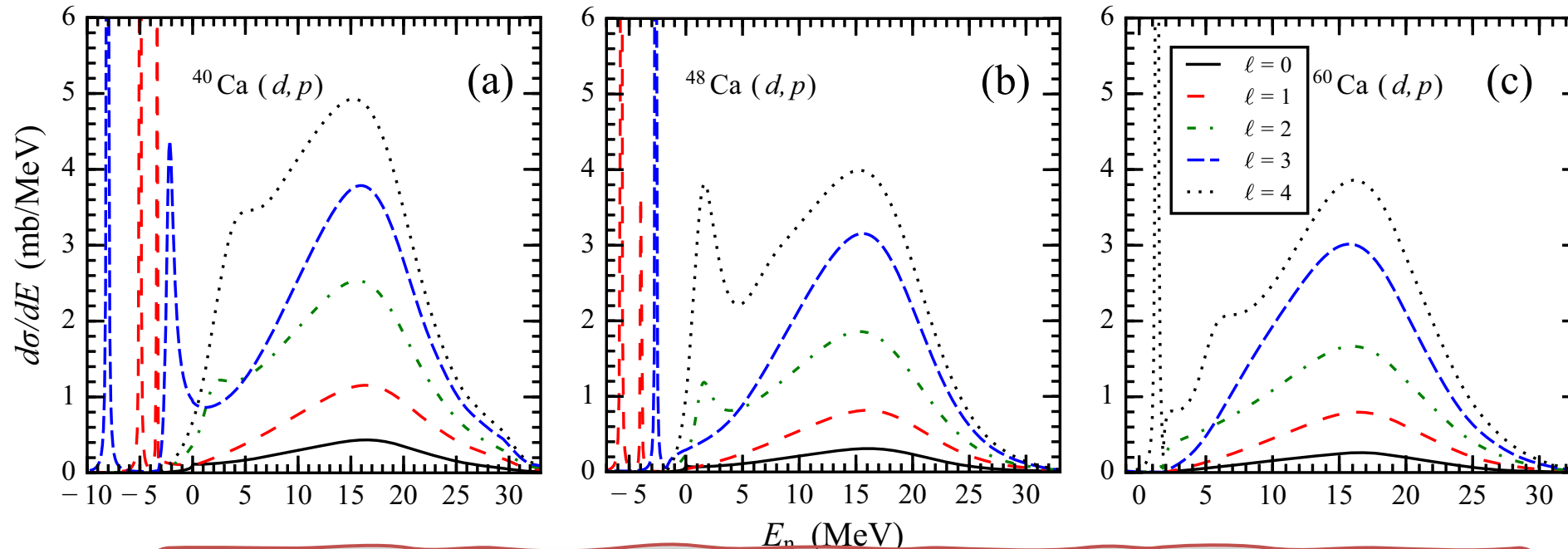
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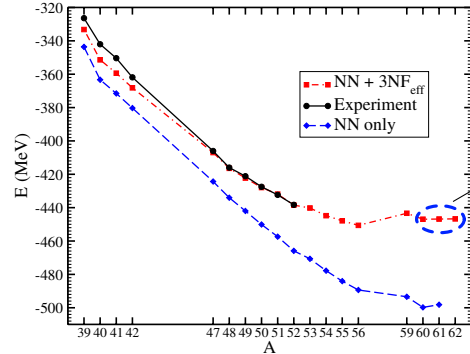
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- Dispersive: reproduction of positive and negative energy cross section
- Controlled extrapolation to exotic nuclei

# Applications: Dispersive Optical Model (DOM); $\text{Ca}(d,p)$

is  $^{61}\text{Ca}$  bound?

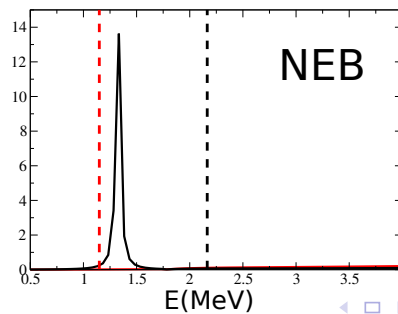
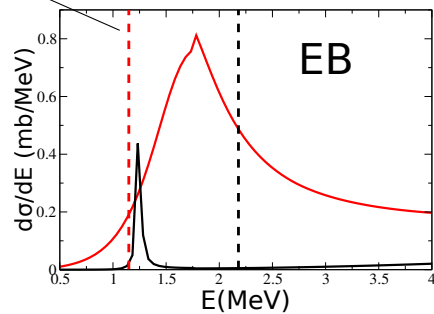


**NO** (but too close to be conclusive)

coupled cluster  
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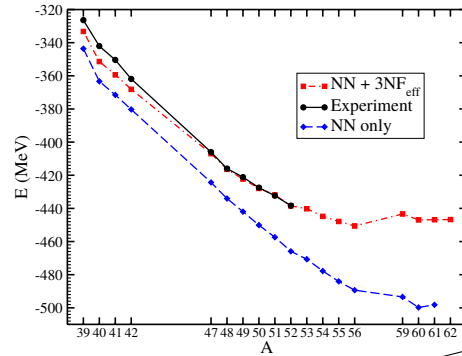


$^{60}\text{Ca}(d,p)$  with  
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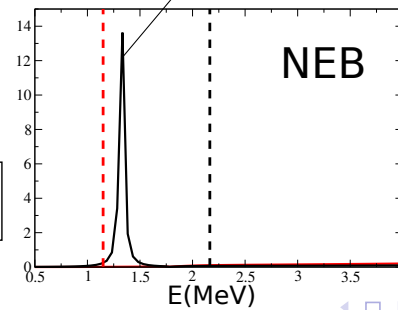
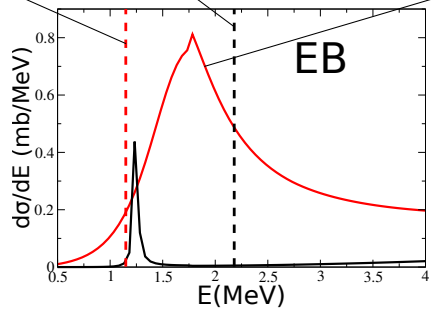
inversion of 9/2+ and 5/2+ orbitals?



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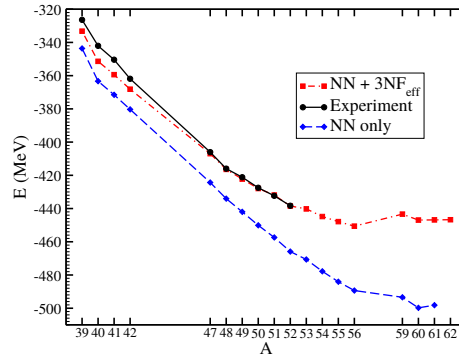
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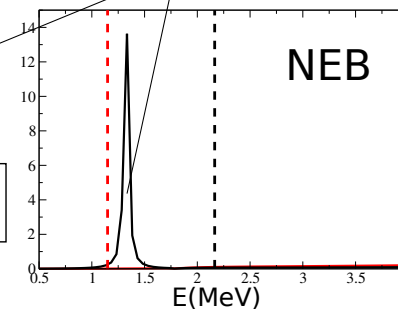
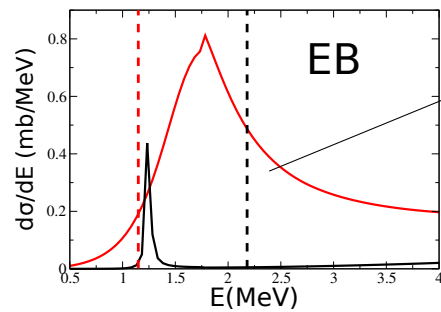
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transfer strength function informs about widths

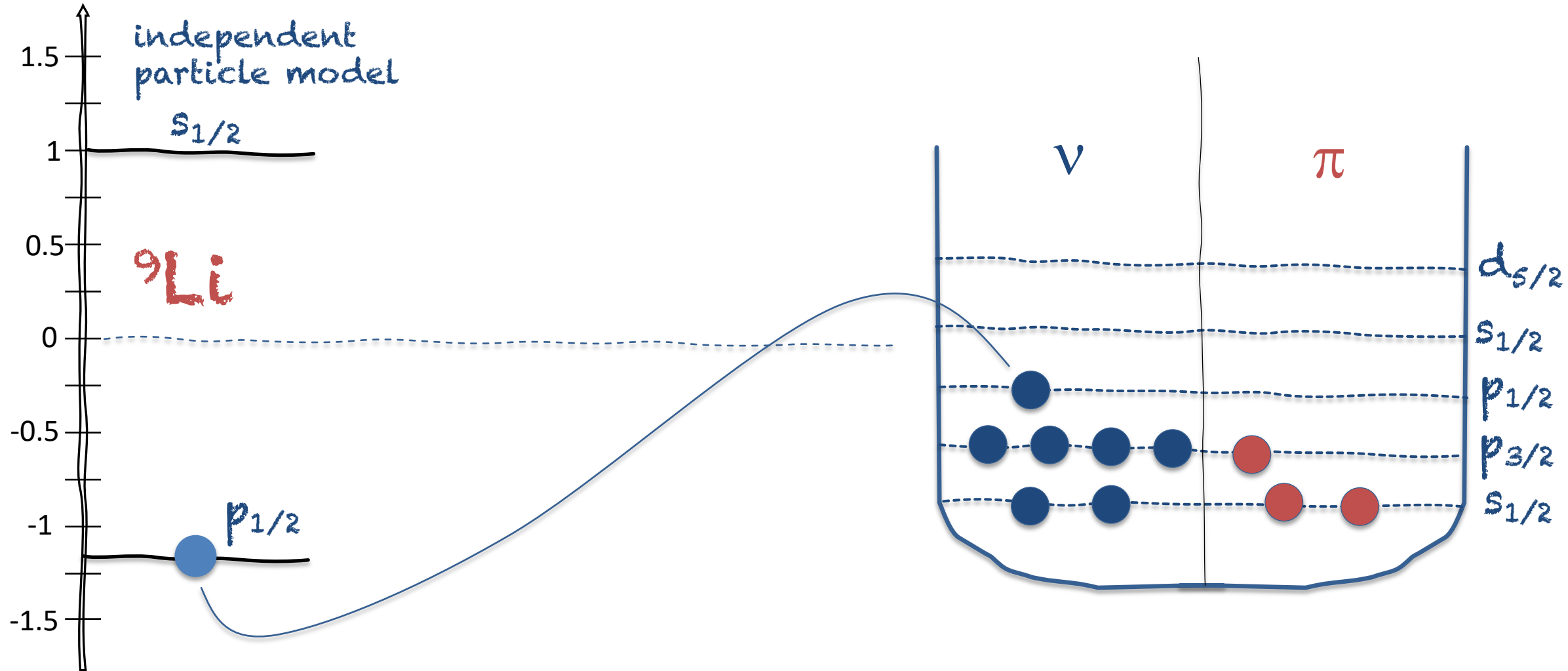
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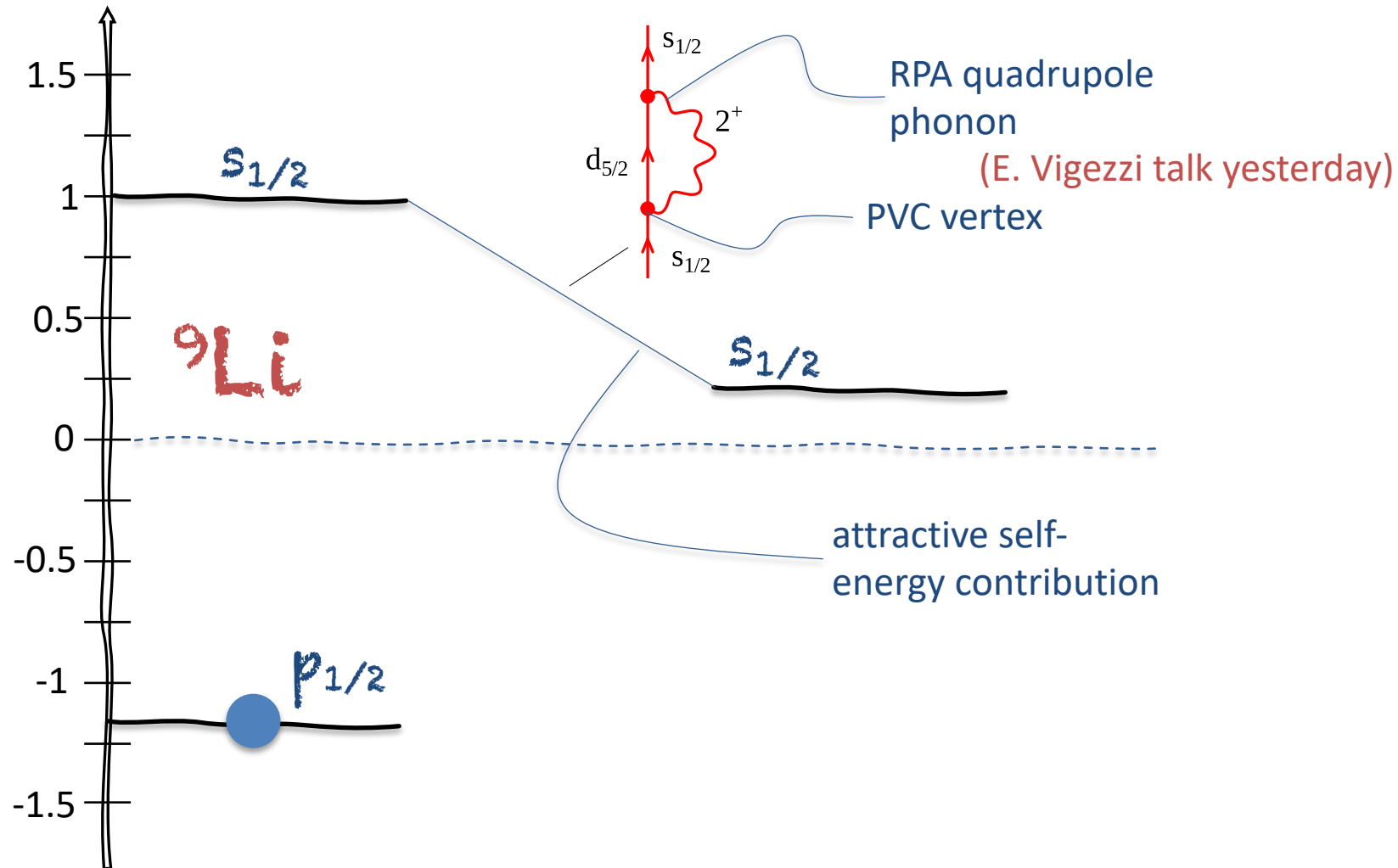


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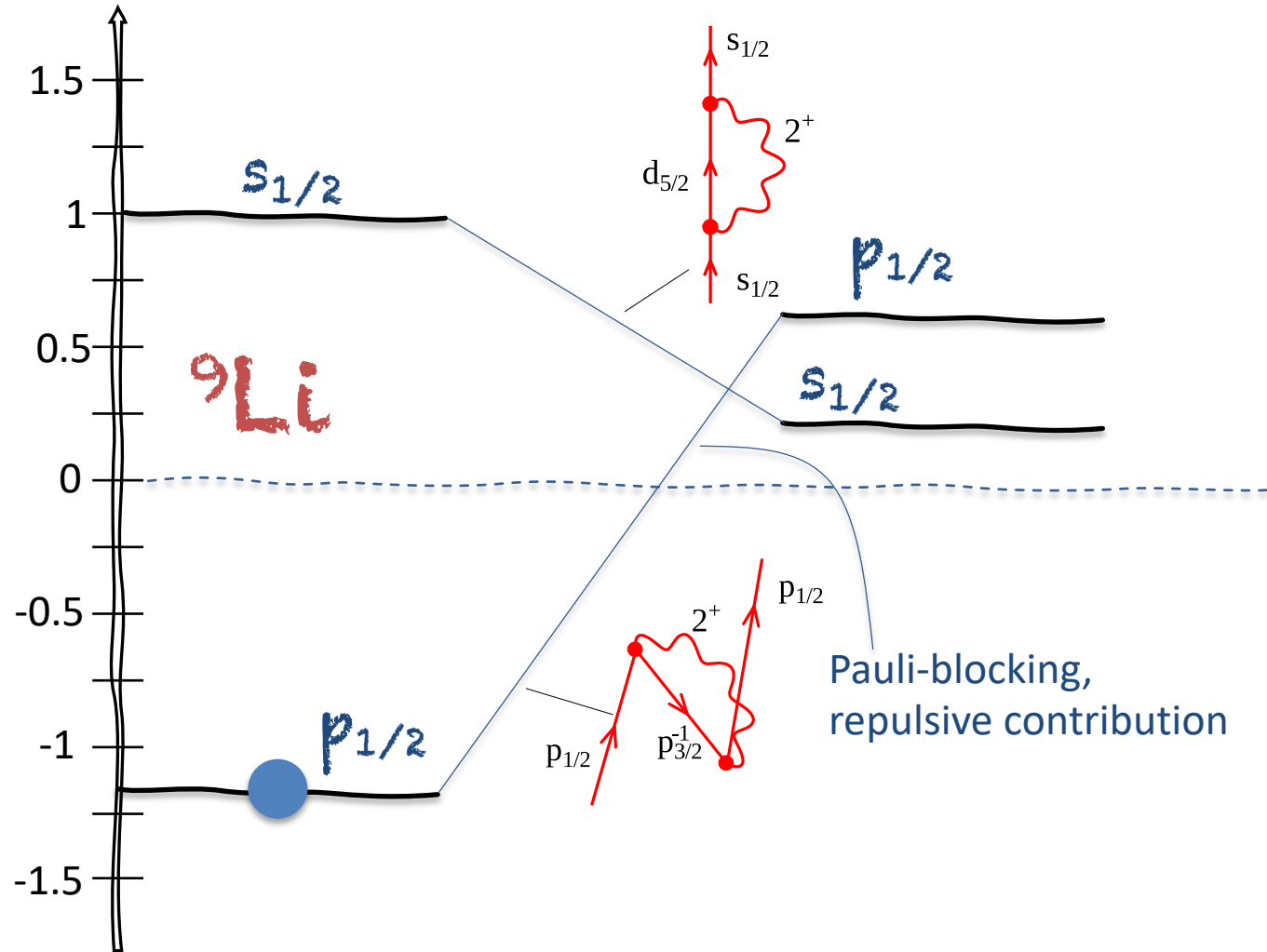


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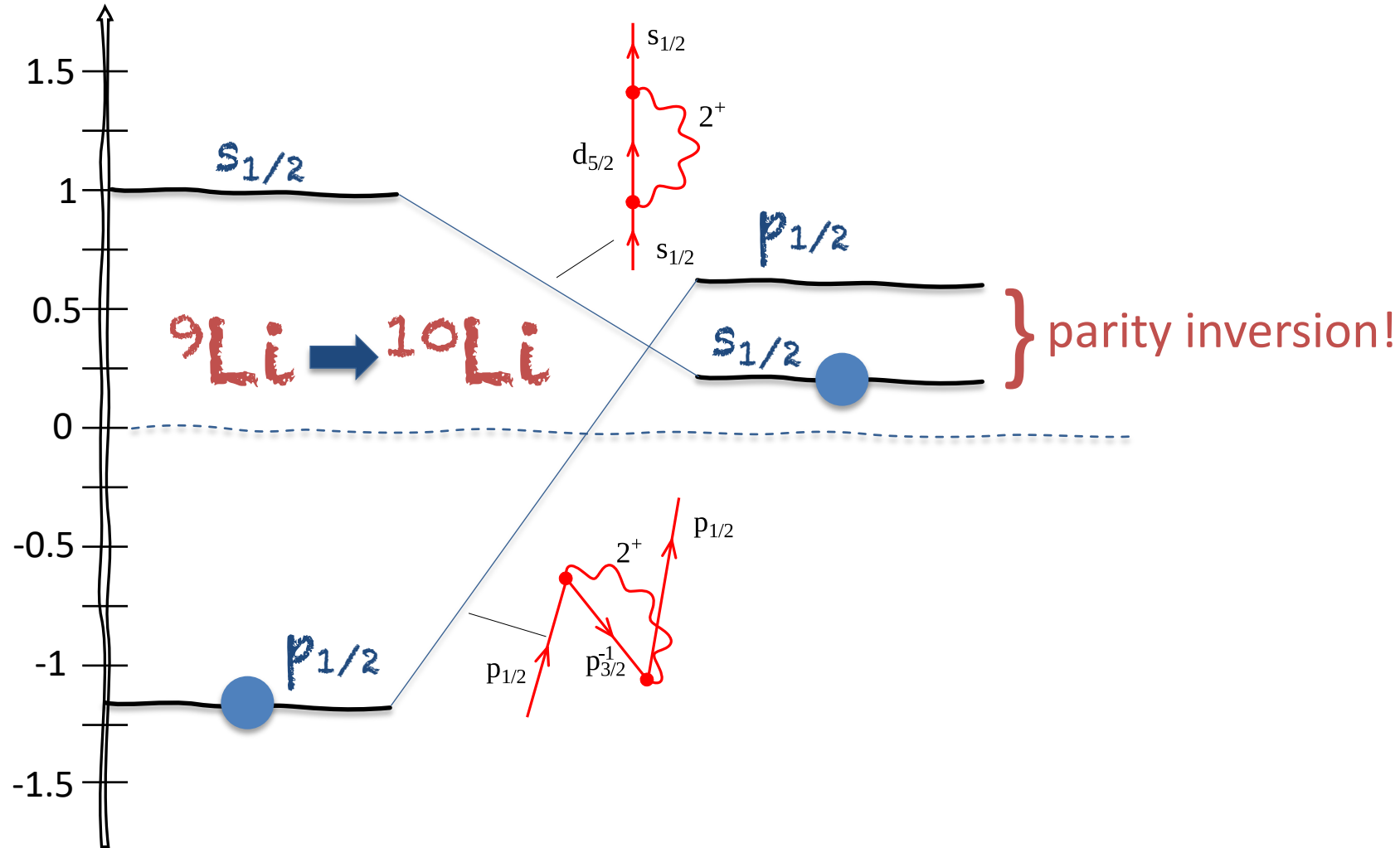




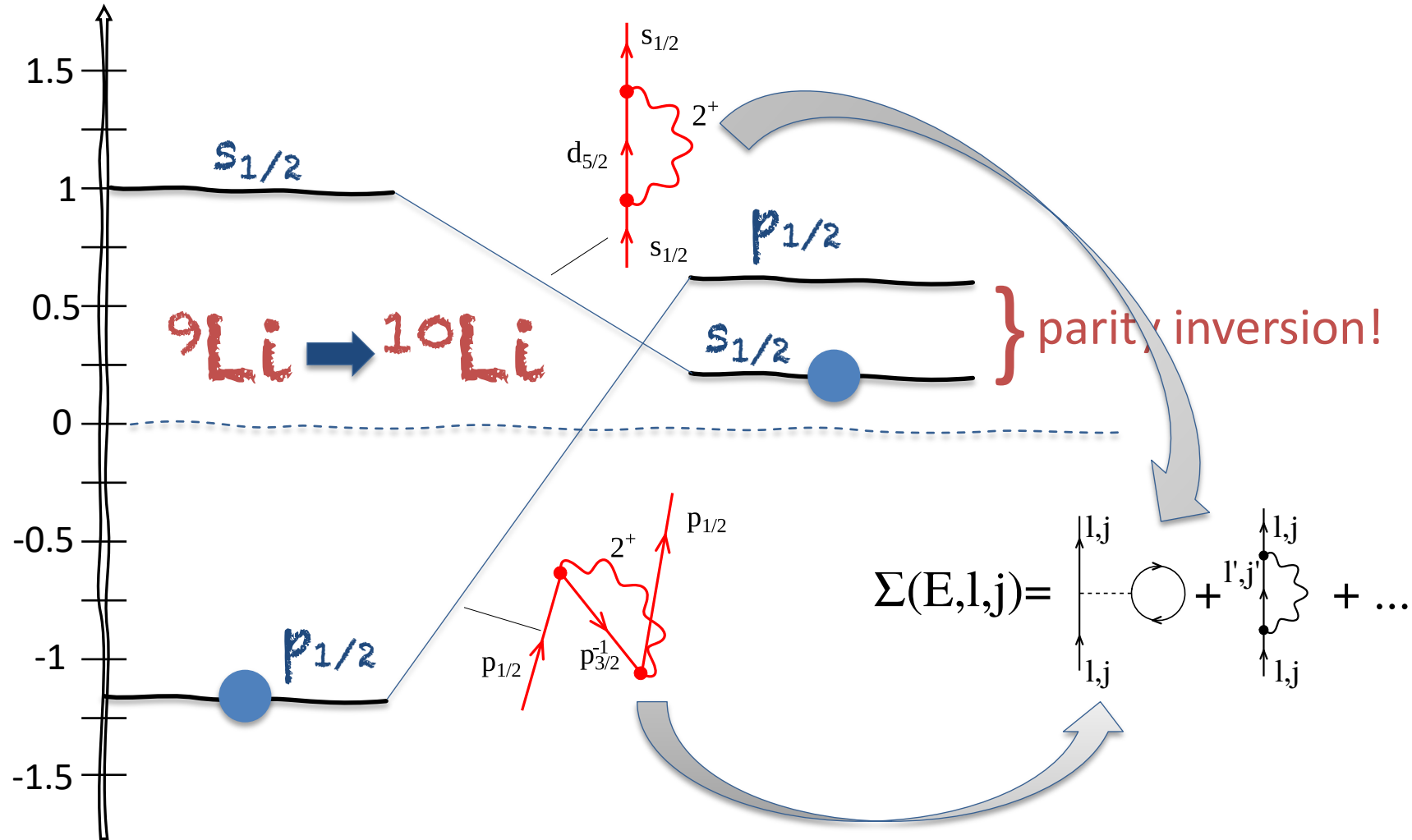
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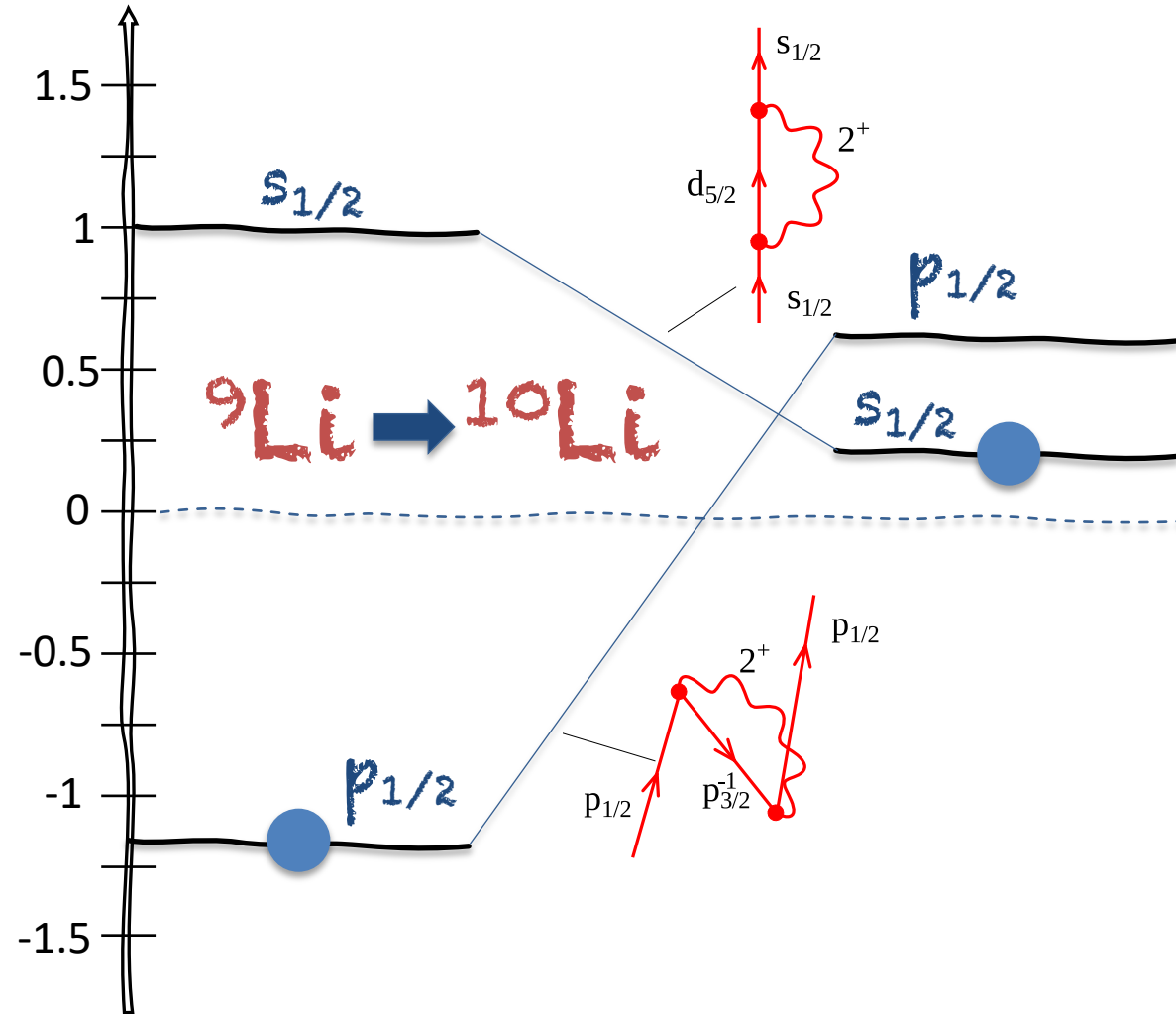
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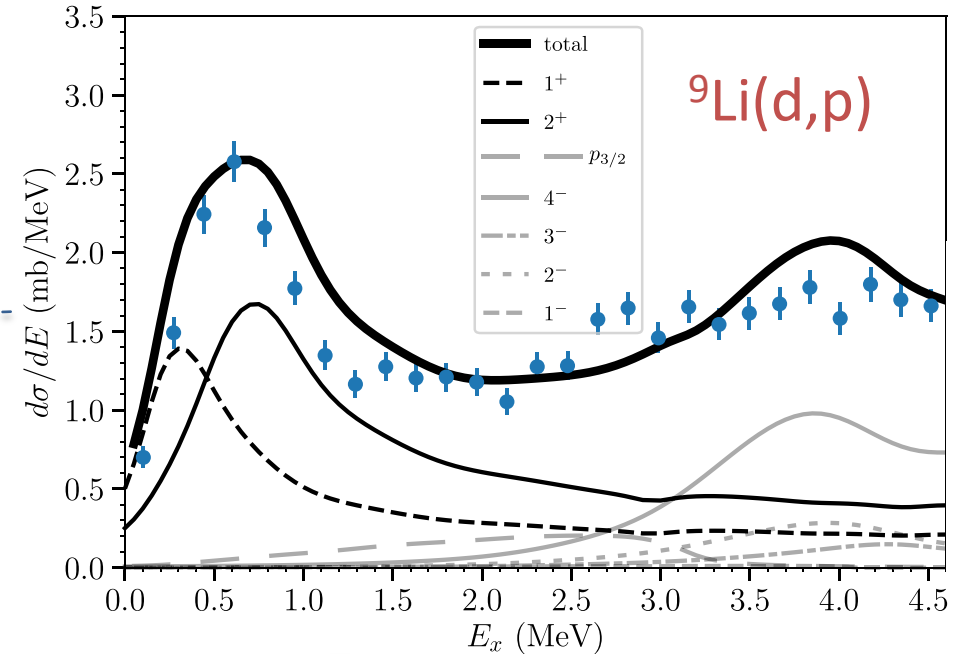


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Cavallaro *et al.*, PRL **118**, 012701 (2017)

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theoretical description validated by experiment

# $^{24}\text{Mg}+n$ with shell model: connection with the statistical model

excitation energy  $E_i$

angular momentum

(G. Sargsyan talk yesterday)

parity

spectroscopic factor  $S_i$

0	0	2	1	0.584066
0.701	0	0	1	-0.716831
1.169	0	2	1	0.488705
2.033	0	2	1	-0.288311
2.529	0	0	1	0.318332
2.701	0	2	1	0.542416
3.859	0	2	1	0.0495903
3.926	0	1	-1	-0.0298132
4.118	0	1	-1	-0.584623
4.226	0	3	-1	-0.651056
4.46	0	2	1	0.100777
4.816	0	2	1	0.0975601
4.945	0	1	-1	0.516883
5.065	0	1	-1	-0.0511968
5.416	0	0	1	-0.283037
5.638	0	3	-1	-0.219064
5.785	0	2	1	-0.0103979
5.792	0	2	1	0.132477
5.935	0	3	-1	0.069005
5.936	0	2	1	0.094658
6.033	0	1	-1	0.0353684
6.12	0	1	-1	-0.159821
6.243	0	2	1	-0.174362
6.35	0	3	-1	0.122727
6.385	0	0	1	0.182001
6.417	0	2	1	0.115995
6.609	0	2	1	0.100457
6.739	0	3	-1	0.157325
6.771	0	1	-1	0.419452
6.801	0	3	-1	0.160889

~600 states from  $E_i=0$  to  $E_i=14.6$  MeV

Shell model calculations by K. Kravvaris with PSDPF interaction M Bouhelal, *et al.*, Nucl. Phys. A **864** (2011)

$$V(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; E) = U_0(r) + \sum_i U_{0i}(\mathbf{r}) G(E - E_i, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') U_{i0}(\mathbf{r}')$$

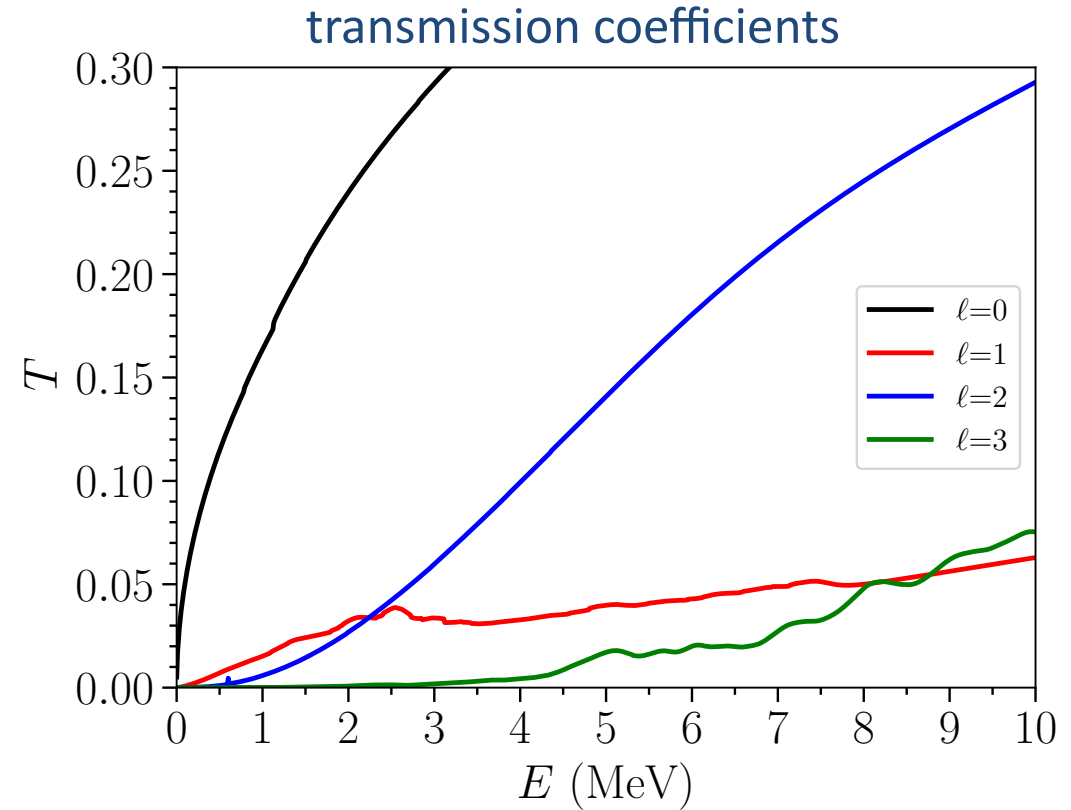
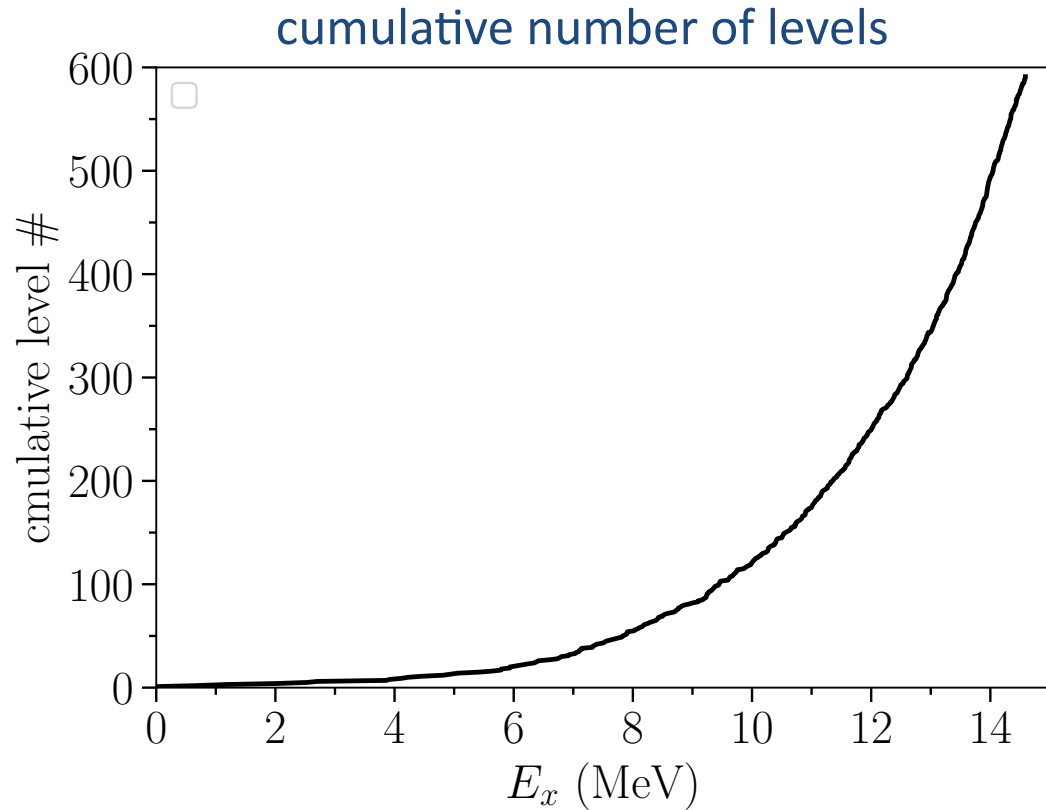
$$G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', E) = (E - T - V(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; E))^{-1}$$

- Iterate until **convergence** is achieved
- Consistency between **potential** and **Green's function** is achieved, as expressed by **Dyson's equation**:

$$G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; E) = G_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; E) + G_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; E) V(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; E) G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; E)$$

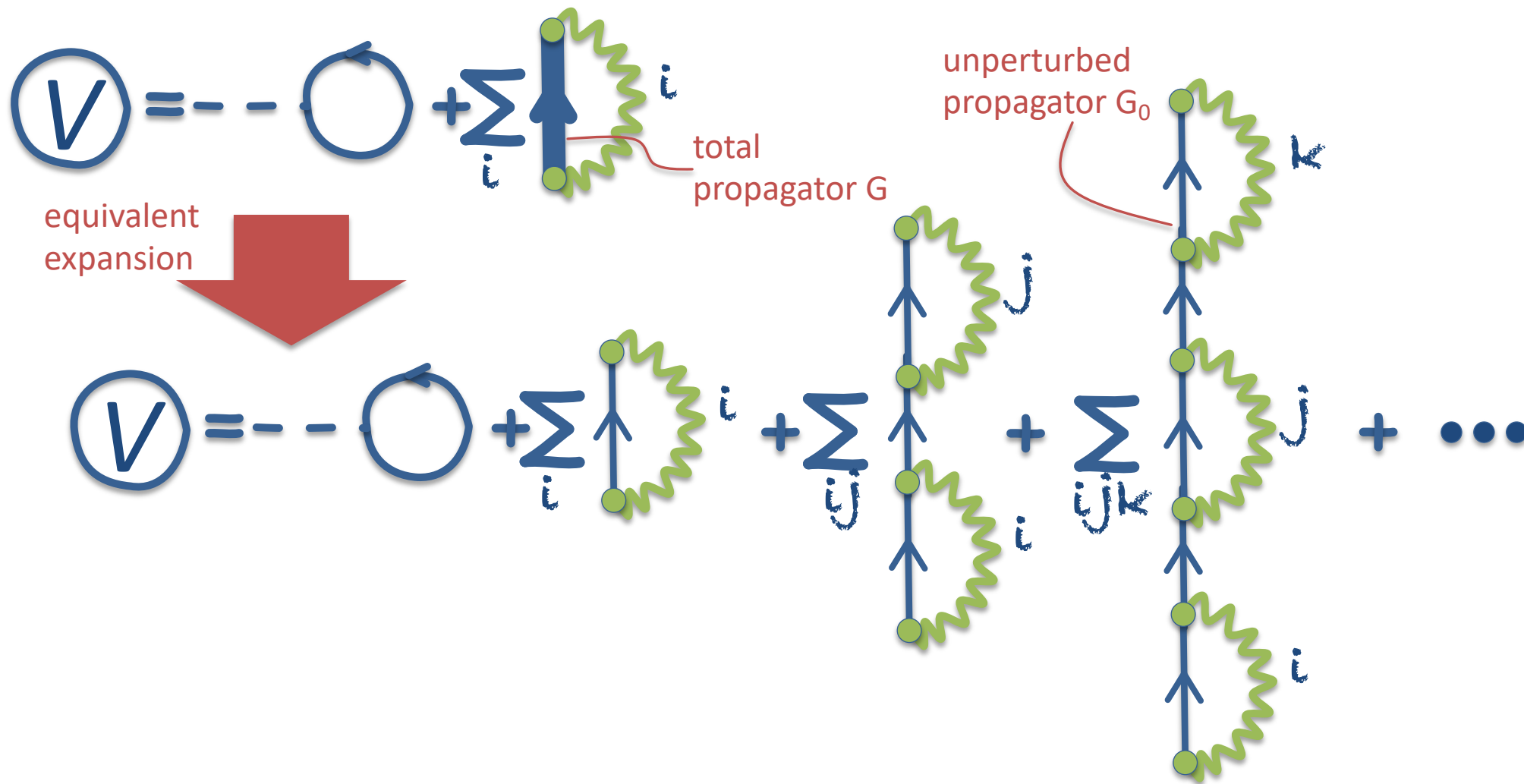
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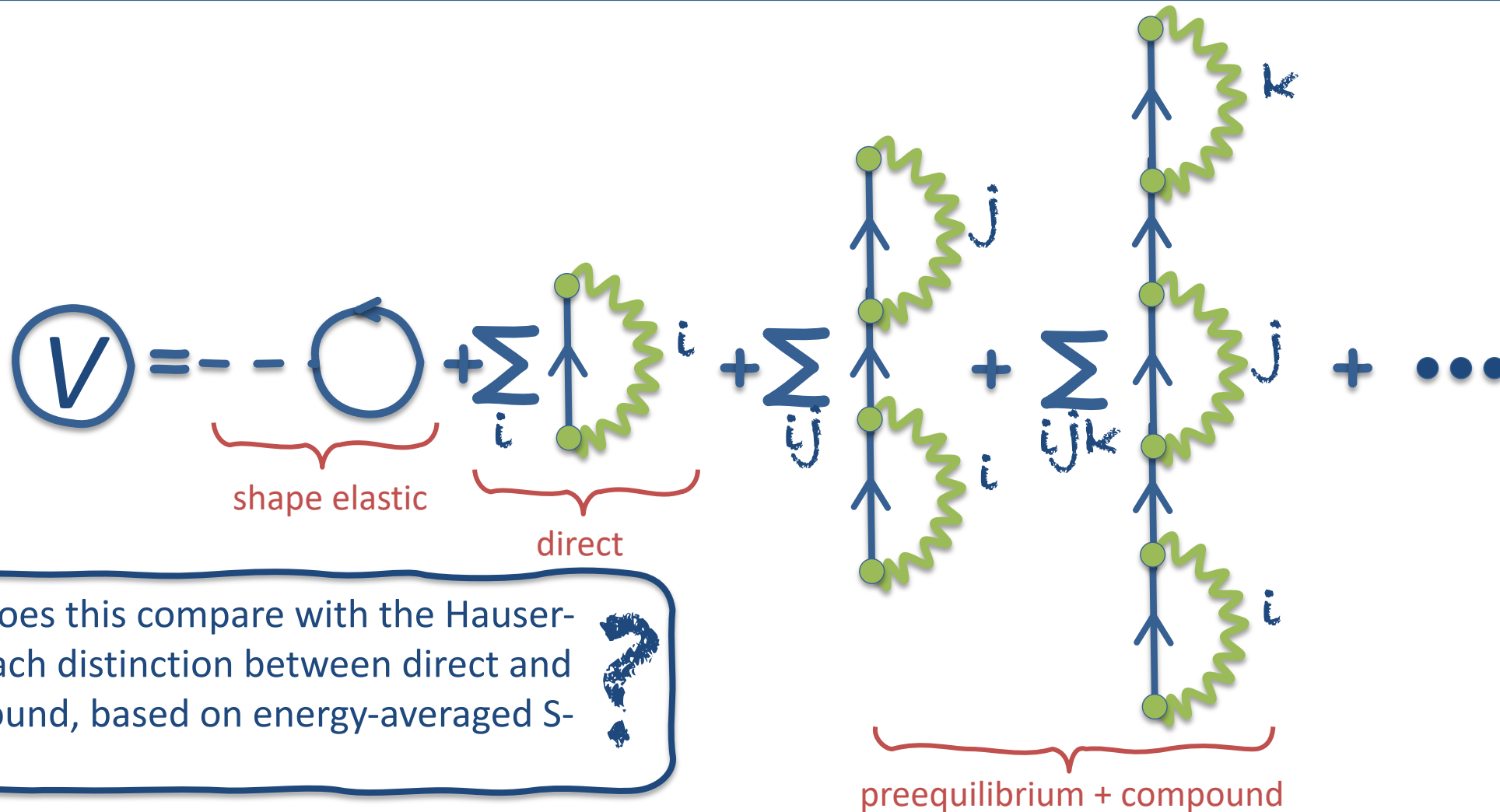


We can explicitly check the limits of the statistical model (Hauser-Feshbach approach)

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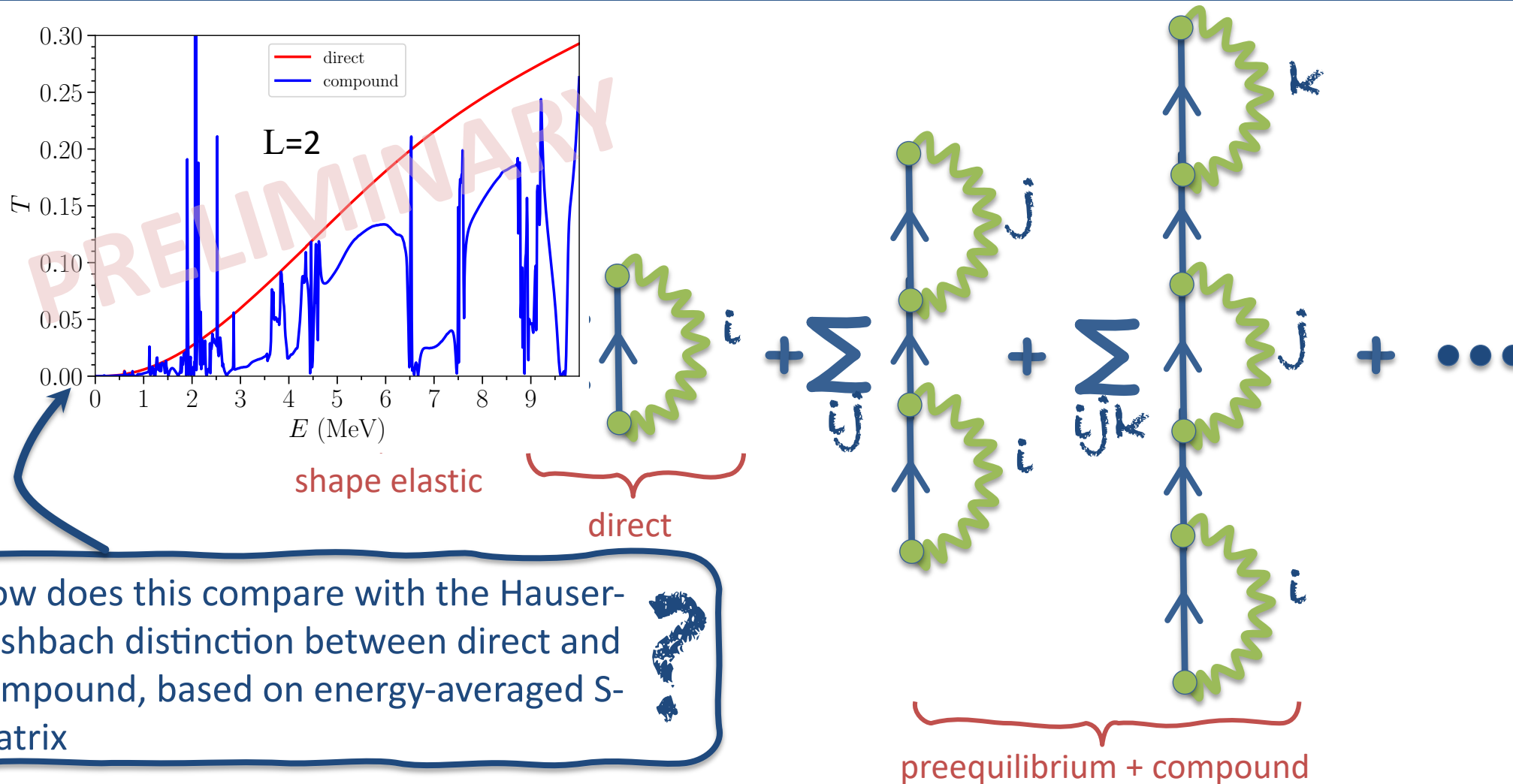
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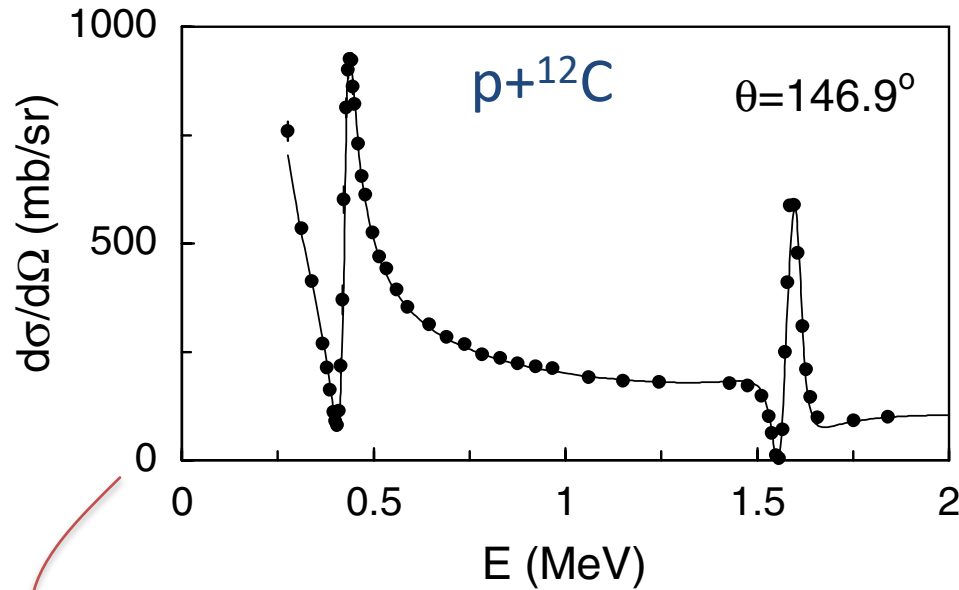
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## The $R$ -matrix theory

P Descouvemont<sup>1</sup> and D Baye<sup>1,2</sup>



$$\frac{d\sigma(E)}{d\sigma} \propto |T_{i0}|^2$$

$$T_{i0} = \sqrt{P_i(E)P_0(E)} \sum_{pq} \frac{\gamma_{ip}\gamma_{0q}}{(E_p - E)\delta_{pq} - \sum_c \gamma_{ic}\gamma_{jc}(S_c(E) + iP_c(E))}$$

T-matrix partial widths and energy parameters fitted from data

# An R-matrix parametrization for the indirect cross section

connection between direct and indirect R-matrix parameters

example:

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$$E_k = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2\mu}$$

broadening  
factor

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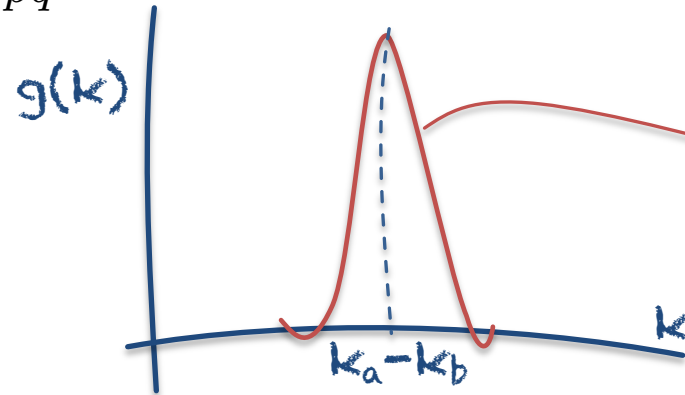
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# An $R$ -matrix parametrization for the indirect cross section

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- This is essentially the approximation made by Barker in *Aust. J. Phys.* **20** (341) 1967 for isolated resonances

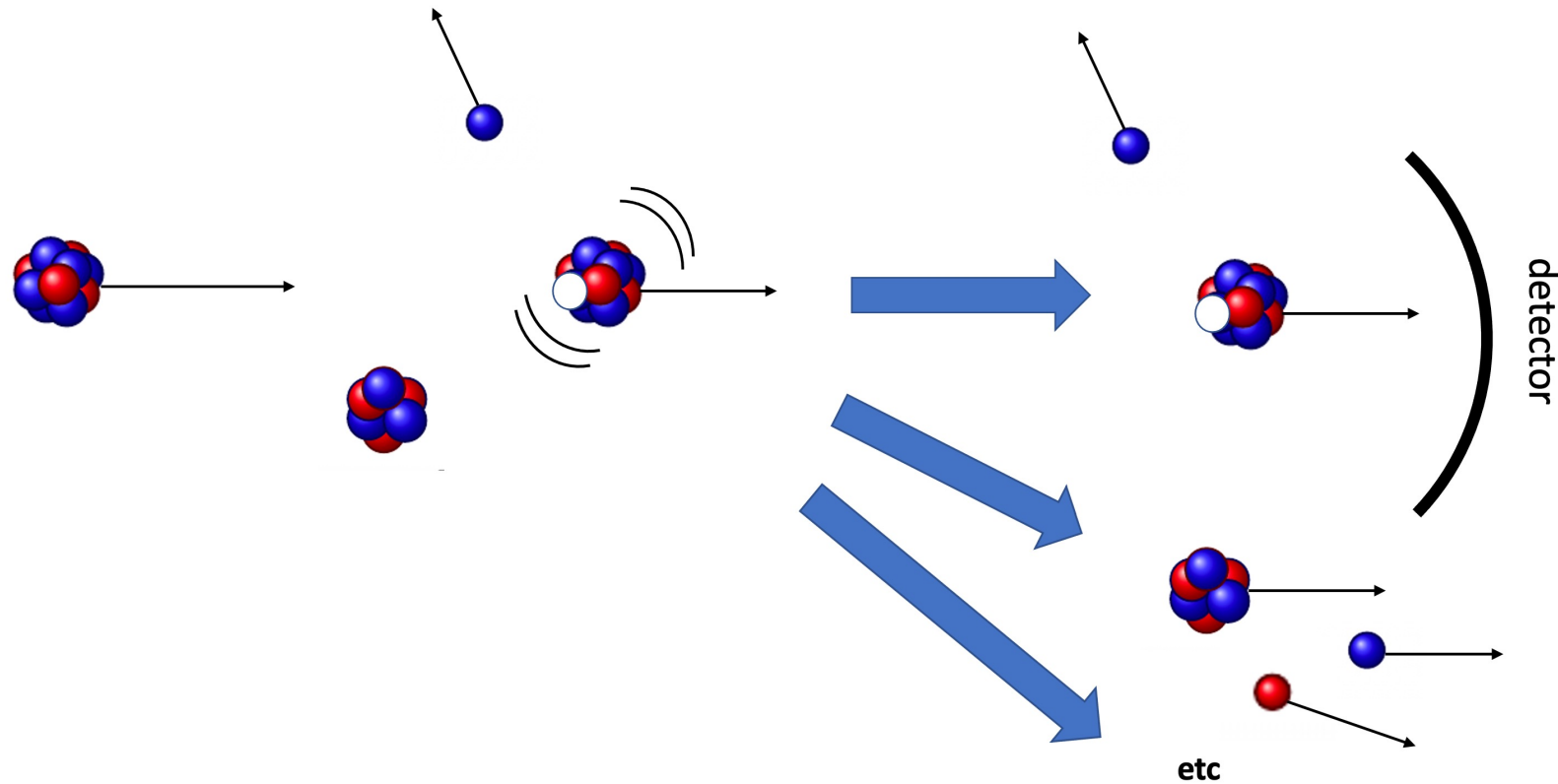
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## Green's function knockout formalism

C. Hebborn <sup>1,2,\*</sup> and G. Potel <sup>2,†</sup>

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$$\frac{d\sigma}{dE_{f_{cT}} d\Omega} = - \frac{2\mu_{PT}}{\hbar^2 k_{PT}} \rho(E_{f_{cT}}) \text{ hole optical potential}$$

$$\times \sum_{E_h = -S_x^{(c)} - S_N^{(P)} \text{ to } -S_N^{(P)}} \langle \phi_h^{(f_{NT})} | \text{Im} \hat{U}_h(E_h) | \phi_h^{(f_{NT})} \rangle$$

sum over energies below particle threshold

$$\phi_h^{(f_{NT})}(\mathbf{r}) = \hat{G}_h^{\text{opt}}(E_h) \rho_h^{(f_{NT})}(\mathbf{r}).$$

hole Green's function

# Thank you!