

${}^6\text{He}$ scattering within THO-CDCC framework

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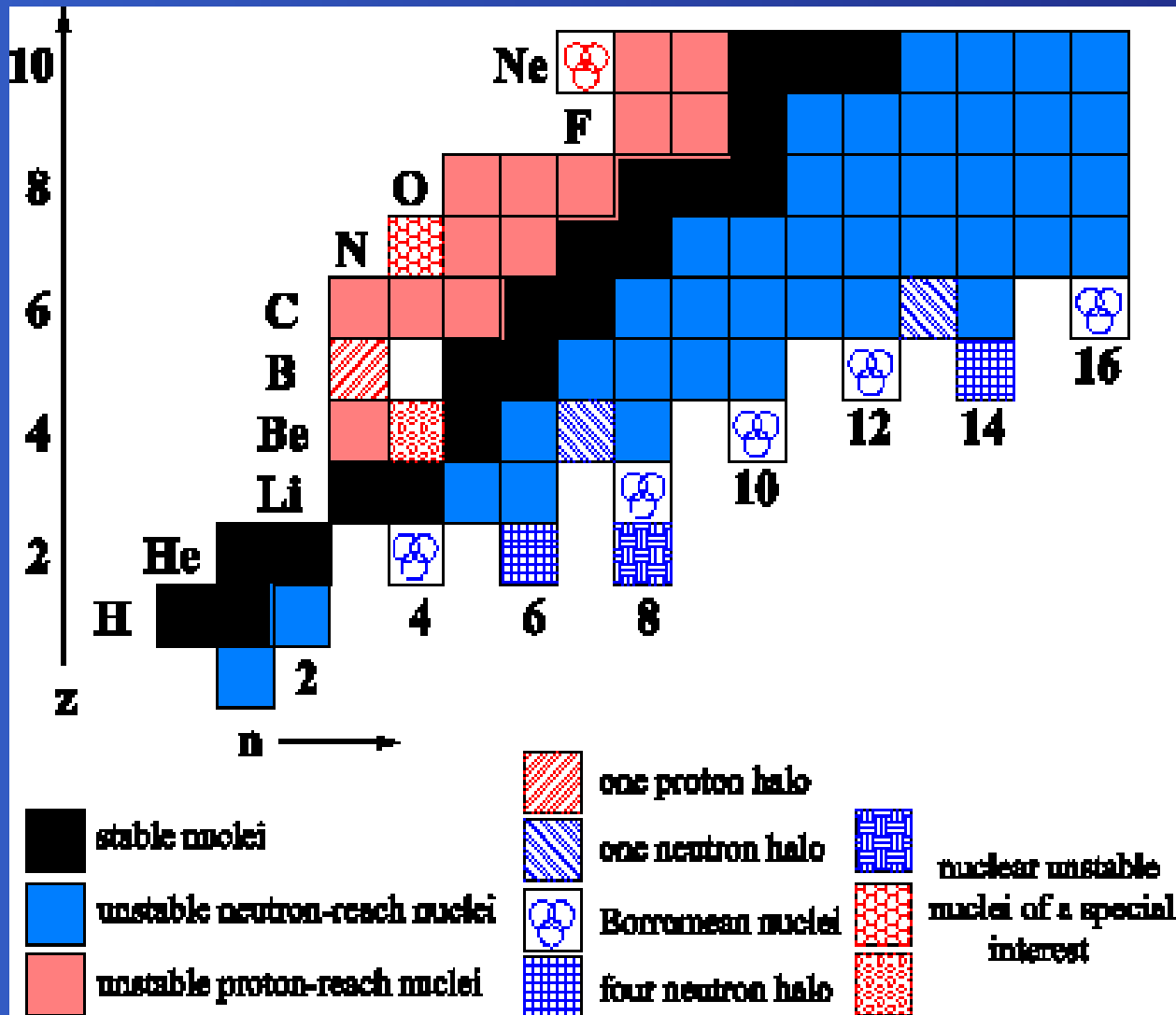
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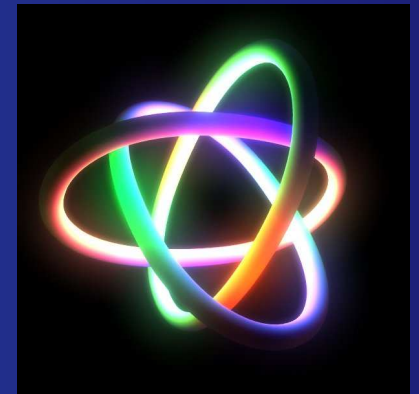
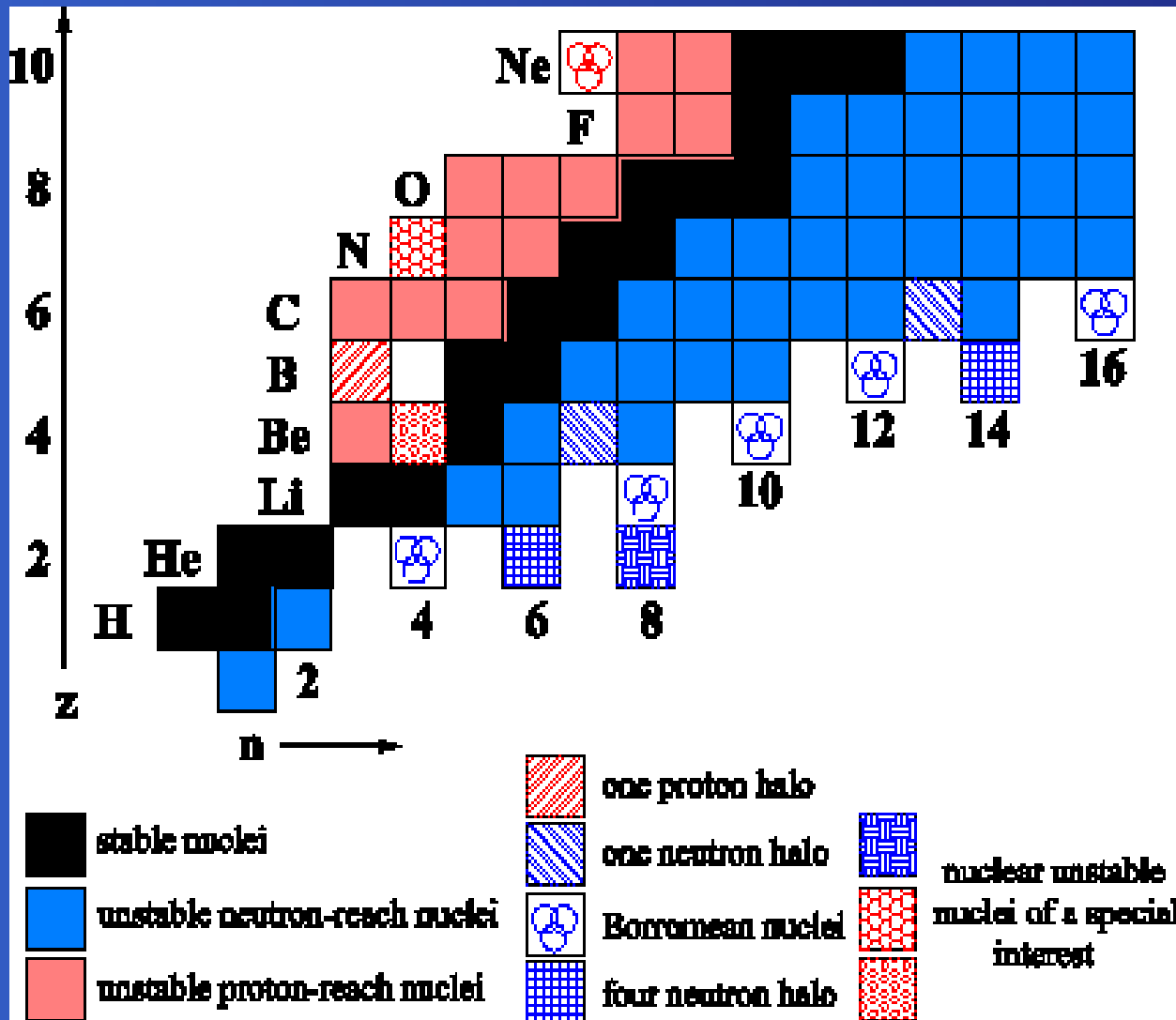
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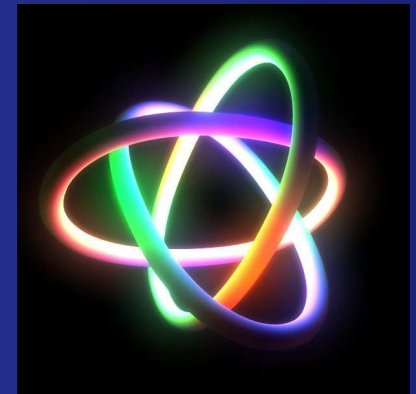
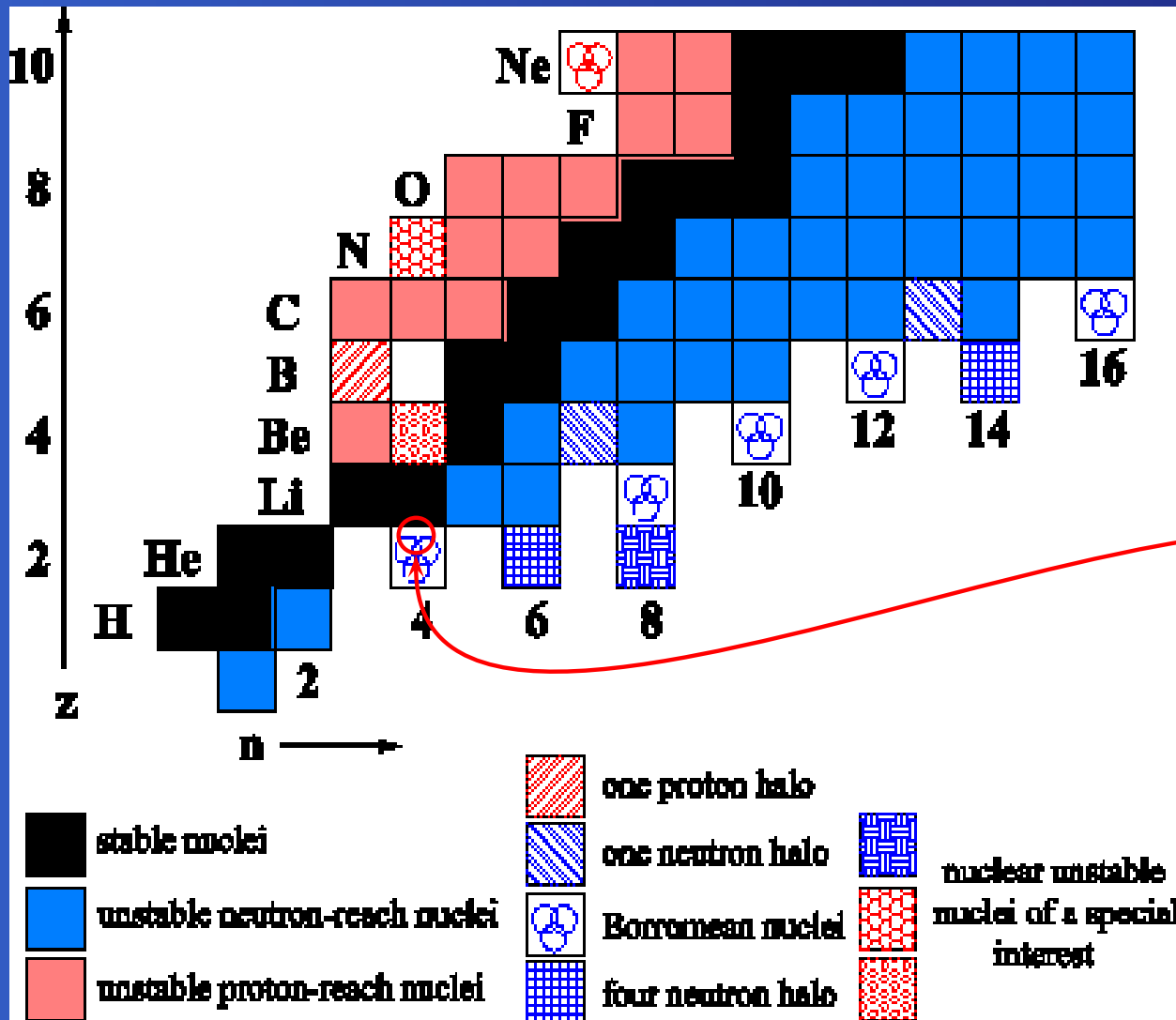


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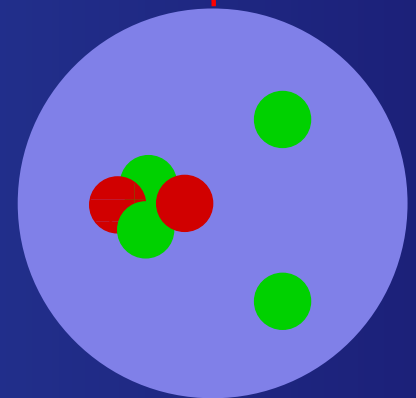


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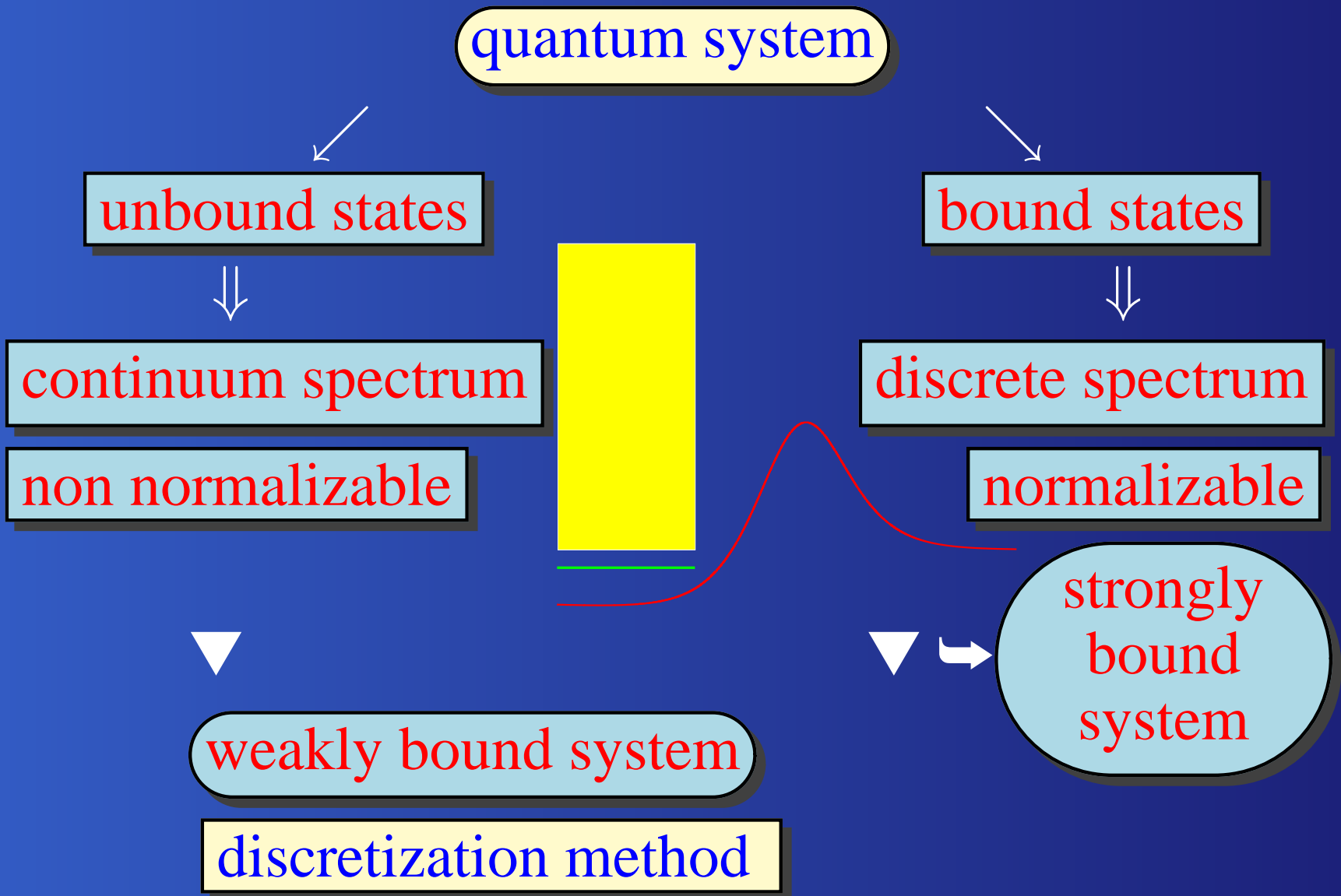
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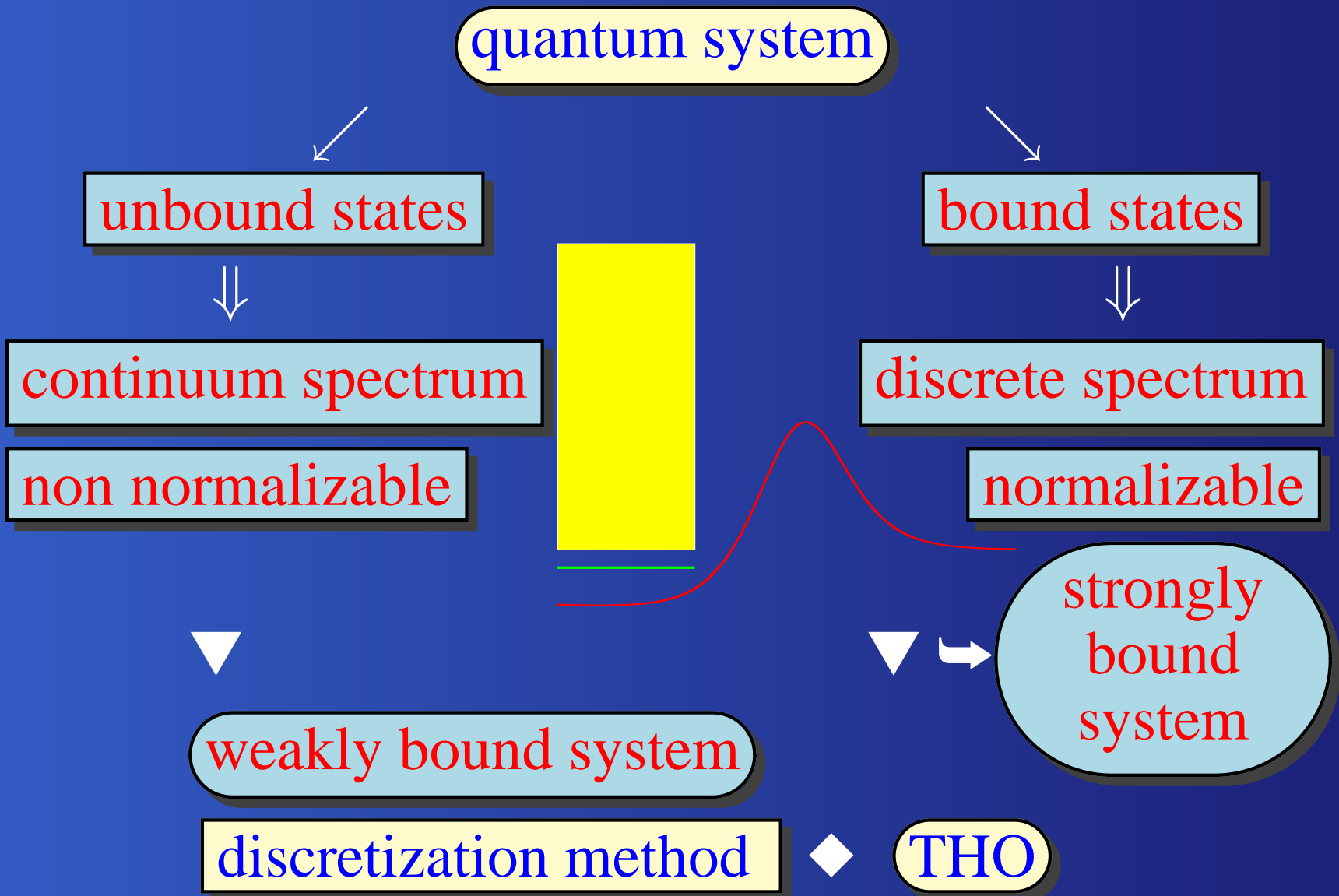
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THO method: 2-body system

← M.V. Stoitsov and I. Zh. Petkov, Ann. Phys., **184**, 121 (1988)

central potential

$$\varphi_B(r) \quad \overset{s(r)}{\rightsquigarrow} \quad \phi_{0l_B}^{HO}(s)$$
$$\updownarrow$$

$$\int_0^r |\varphi_B(r')|^2 dr' = \int_0^s |\phi_{0l_B}^{HO}(s')|^2 ds'$$

THO basis

$$\psi_{nl}^{THO}(r) = \varphi_B(r) s(r)^{l-l_B} L_n^{l+1/2} \left(s(r)^2 \right)$$

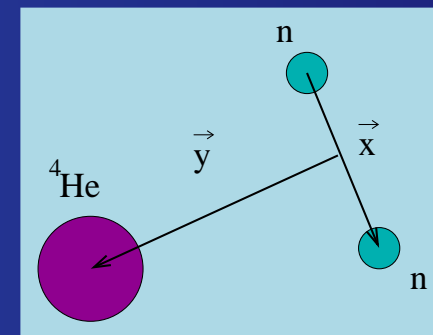
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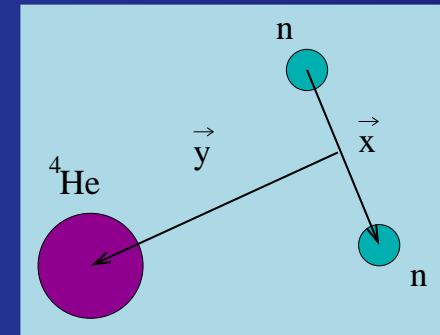
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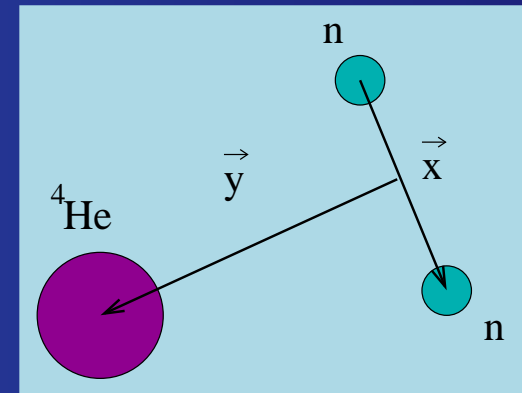
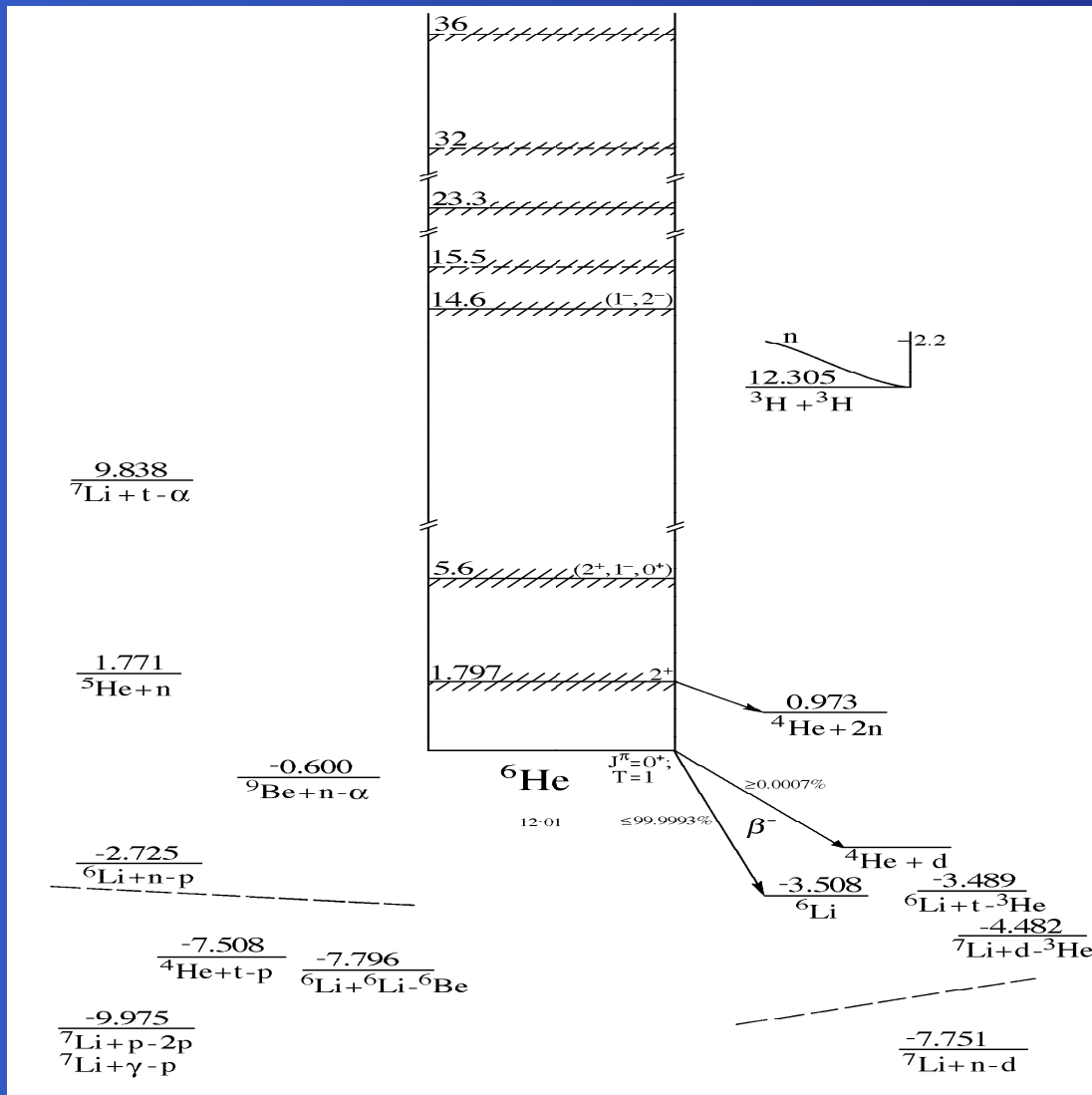


- ⇒ THO method: $s(\rho)$ is calculated for each channel β included in the bound ground state

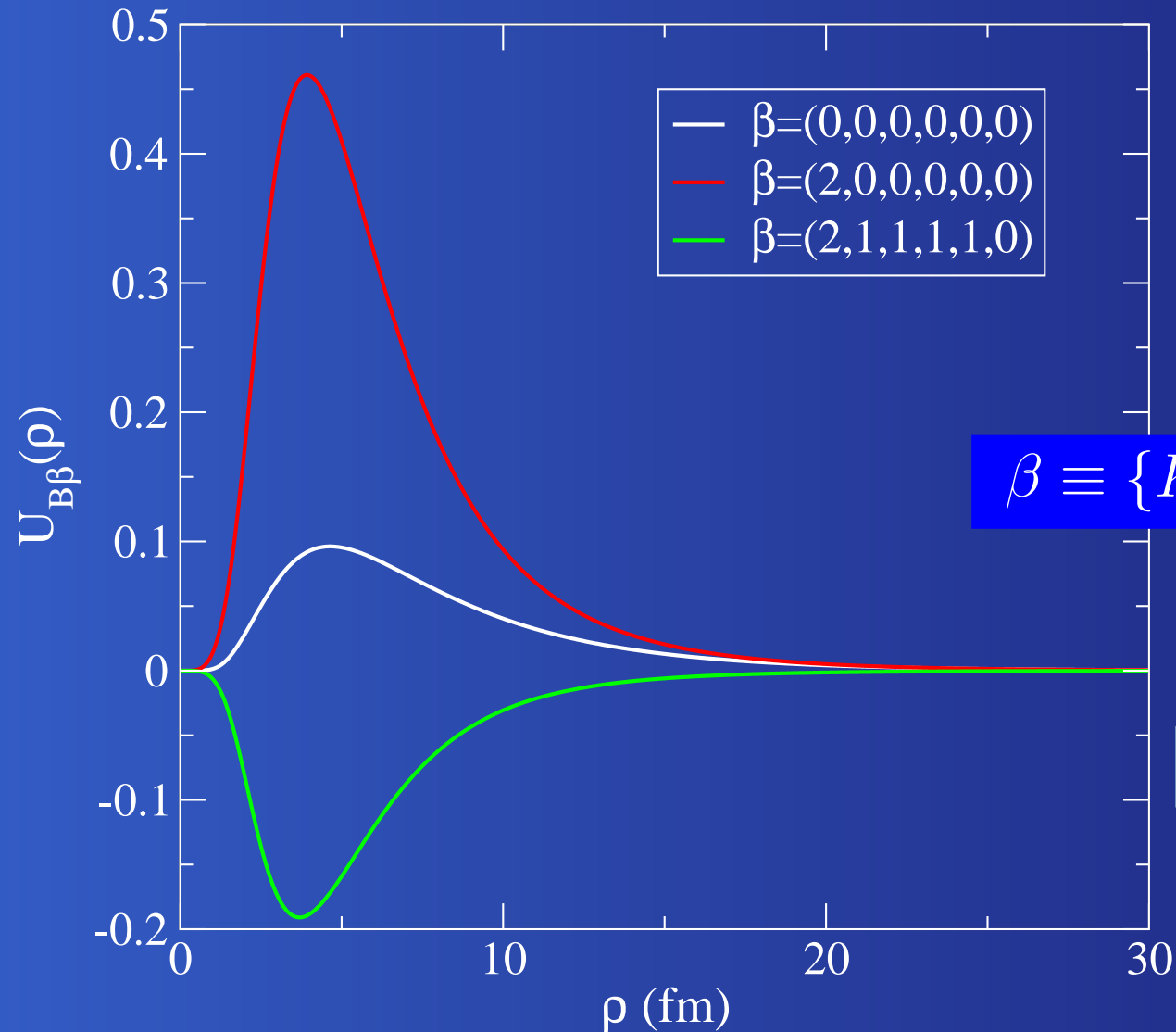
$$\int_0^\rho d\rho' |U_{B\beta}(\rho')|^2 = \int_0^s ds' |U_{0K}^{HO}(s')|^2$$

$$U_{i\beta}^{THO}(\rho) = U_{B\beta}(\rho) L_i^{K+2} (s_\beta(\rho)^2)$$

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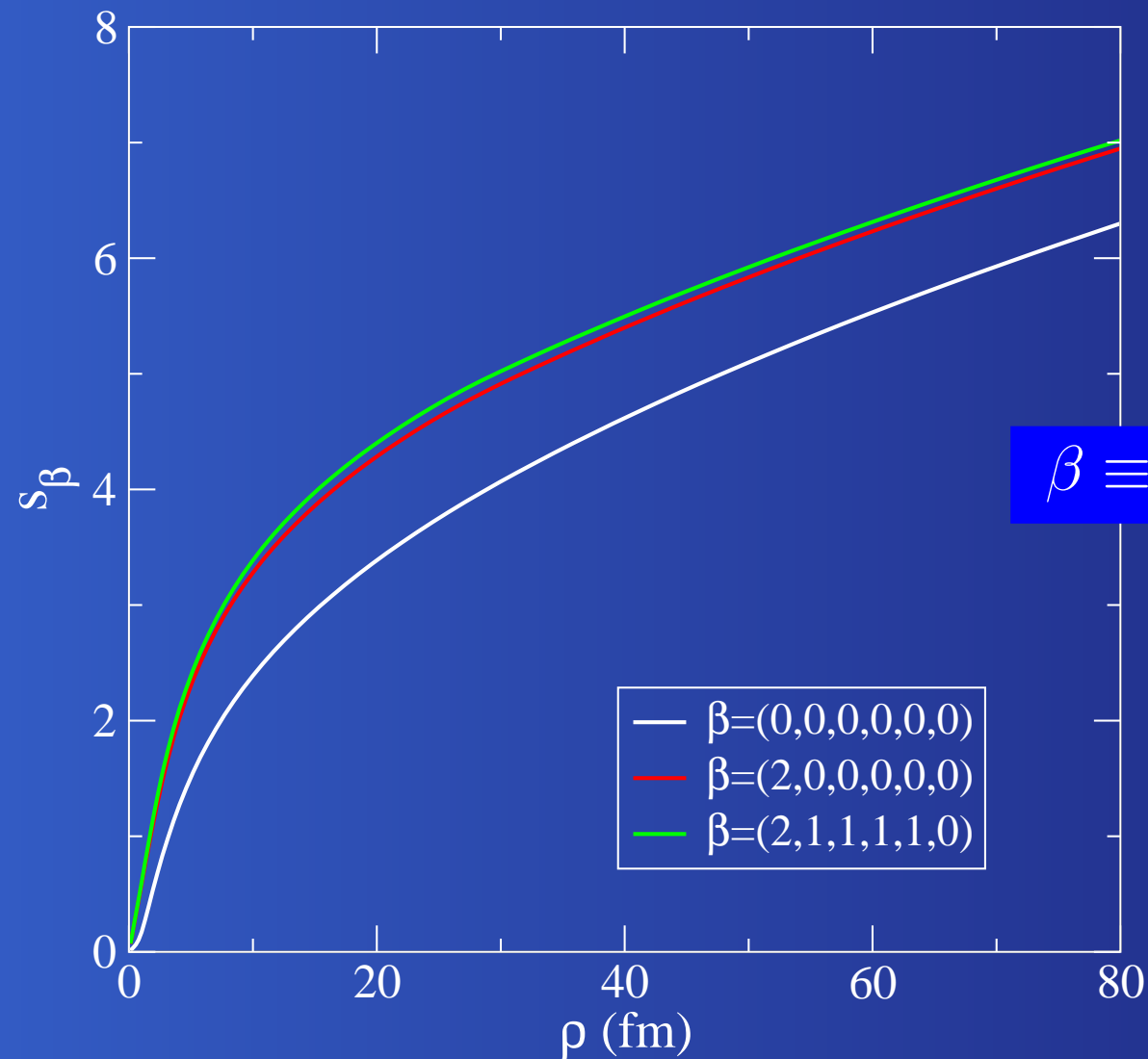


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Ground state

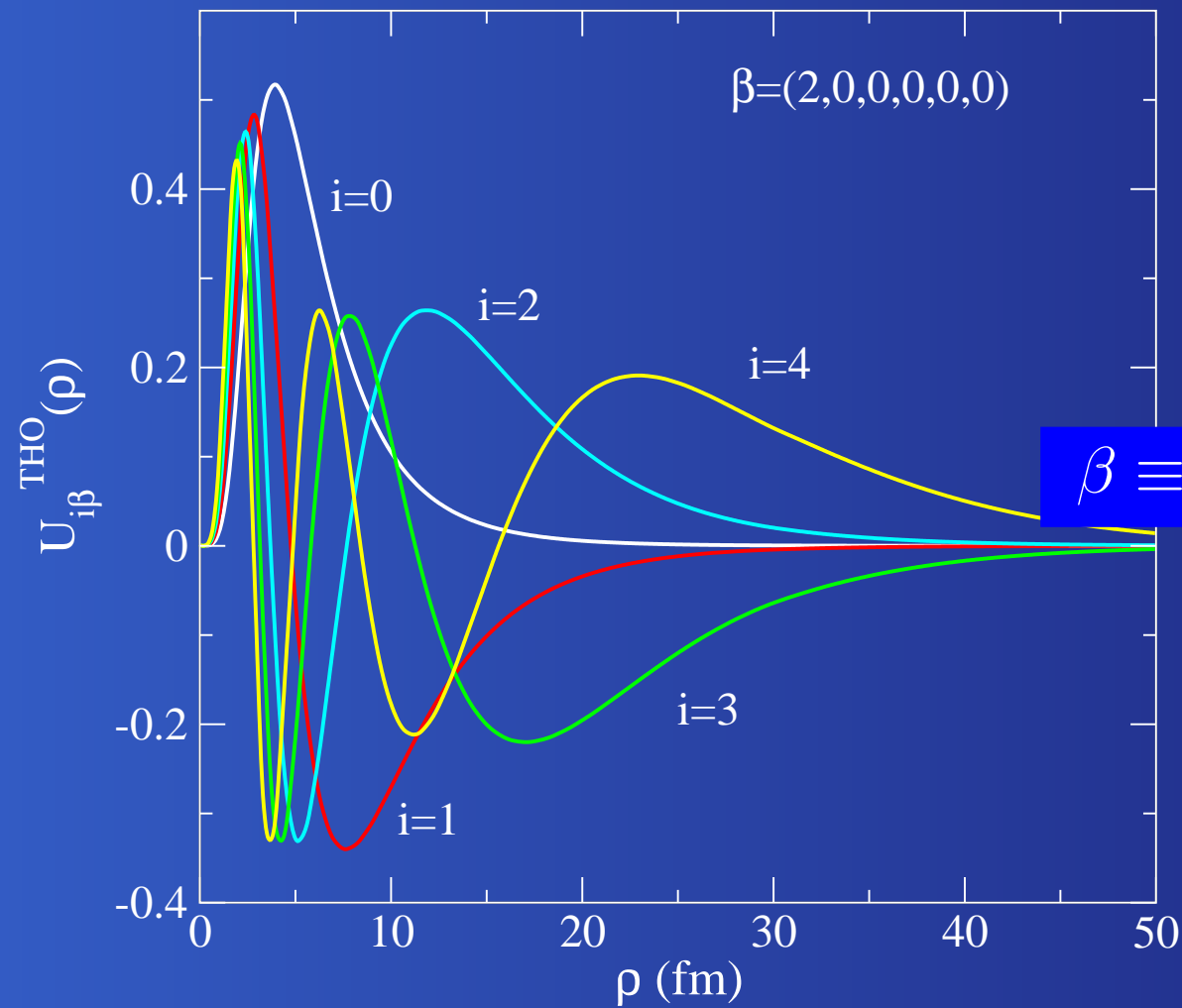
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Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H}(\rho, \Omega) = \hat{T}(\rho, \Omega) + \hat{V}(\rho, \Omega)$$

$$V = V_{n\alpha} + V_{n\alpha} + V_{nn} + V_{nn\alpha}$$

⇒ $n + \alpha$ $V_{n\alpha} = V_c + V_{SO}$

V_c, V_{SO} : Woods-Saxon

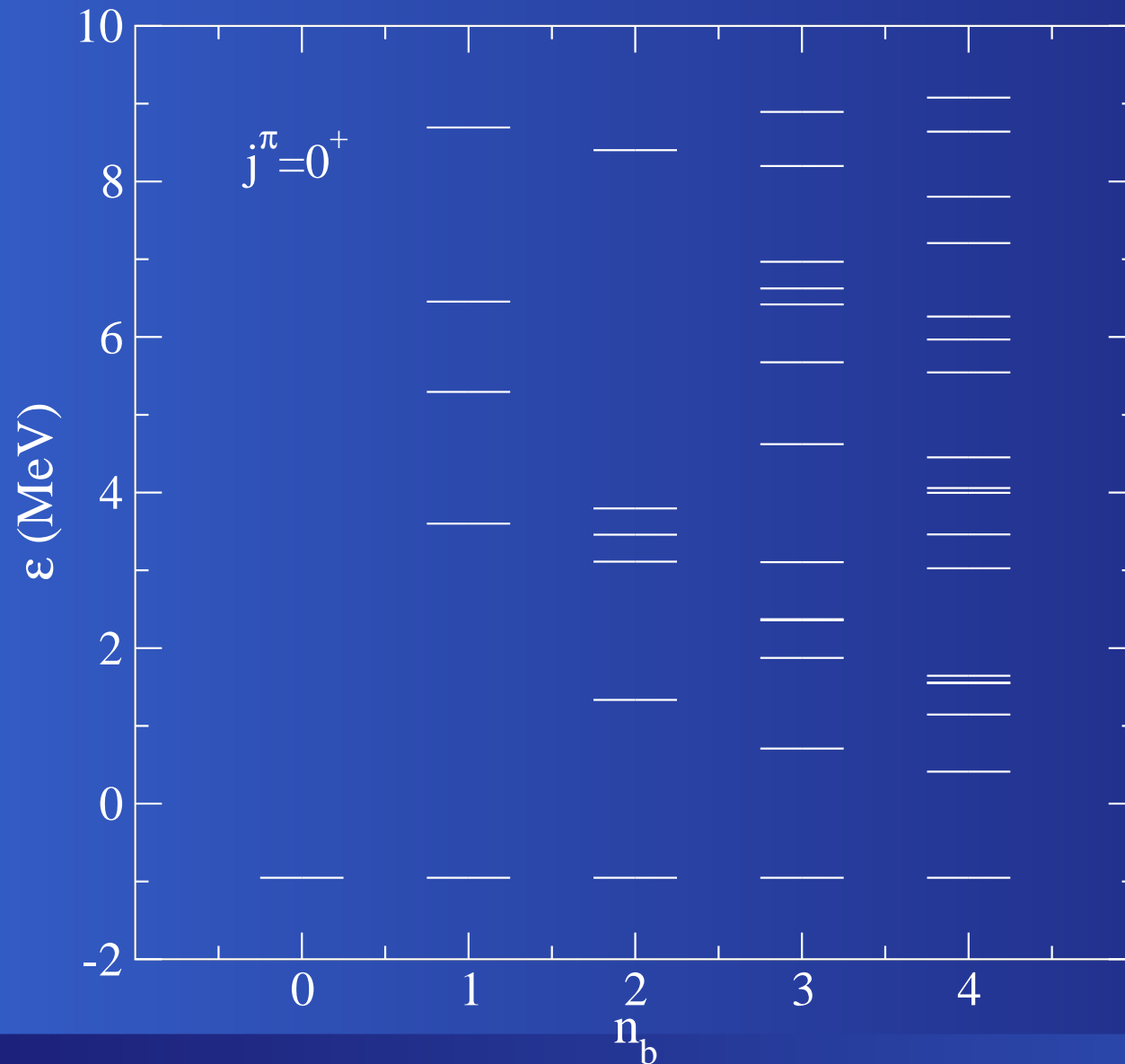
⇒ GPT $n + n$ $V_{nn} = V_c + V_{SO} + V_t$

V_c, V_t, V_{SO} : Gaussian

⇒ $n + n + \alpha$: power $V_{pow} = \frac{a}{[1+(r/b)^c]}$

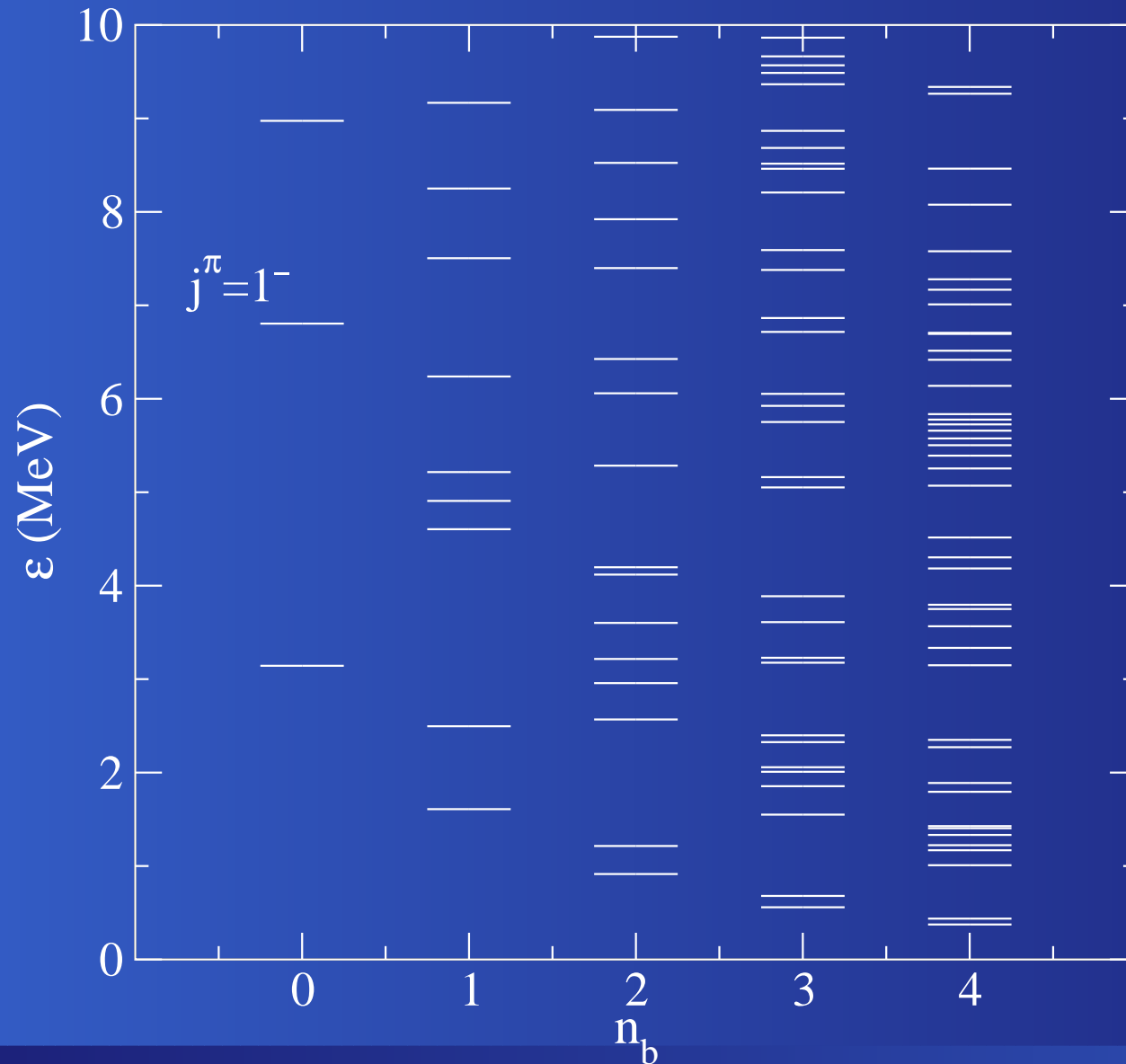
☞ Pauli forbidden states: repulsive V_c for s-waves

Energy spectrum



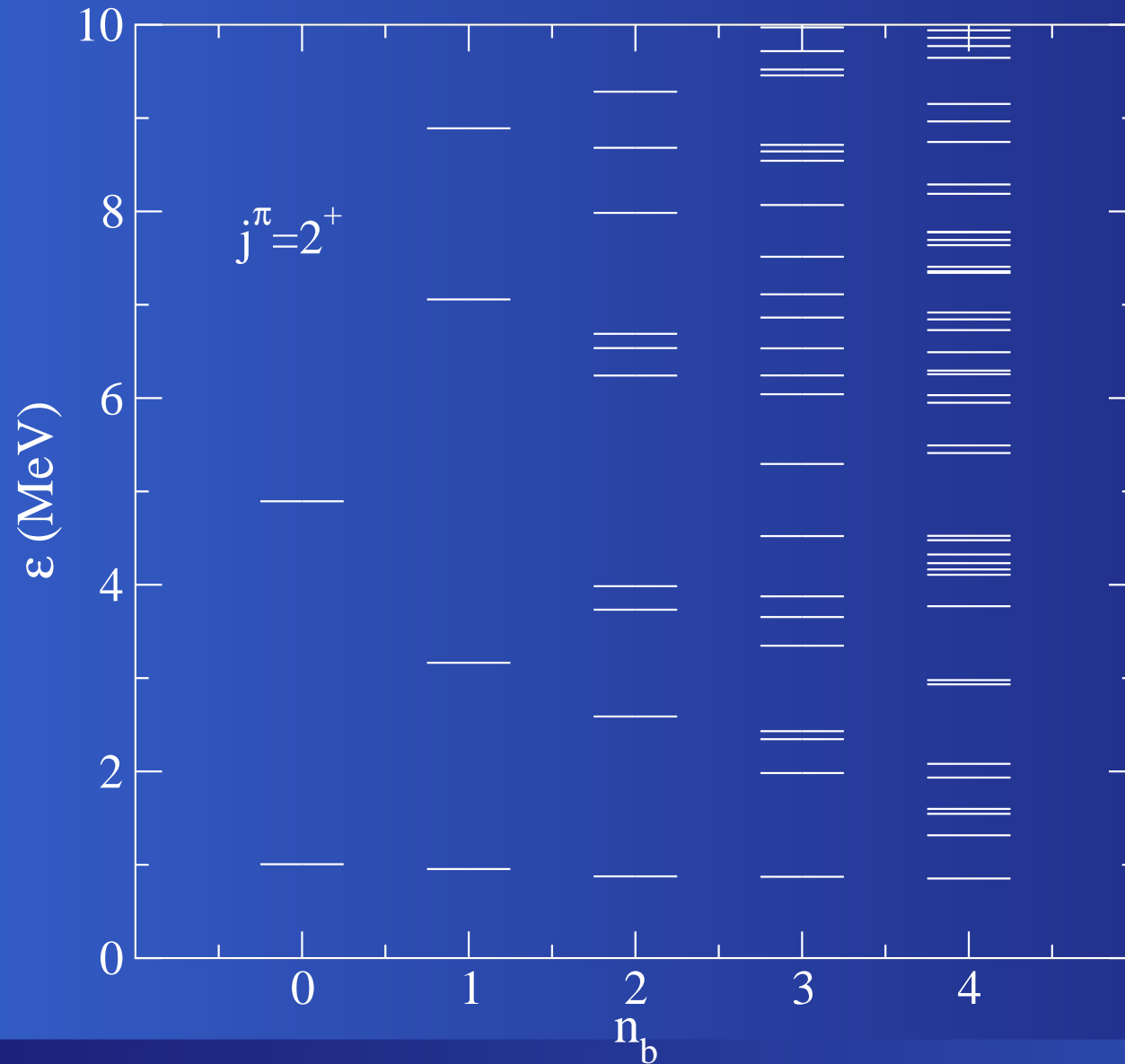
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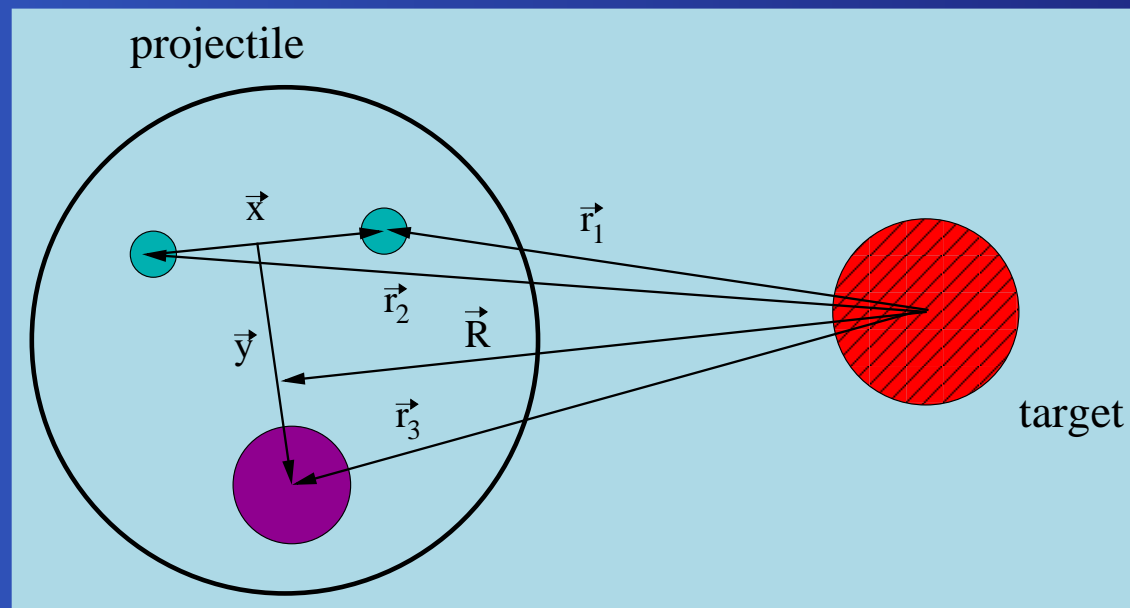


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Scattering: ${}^6\text{He}$ +target

- ⇒ CDCC formalism
- ⇒ THO method
- ⇒ Coupling potentials for 4-body problem

$$V_{Lnj,L'n'j'}^J(R) = \langle LnjJM | \sum_{k=1}^3 \hat{V}_{kt}(\vec{r}_k) | L'n'j'JM \rangle$$



Interaction potentials

$$V_N(r) = U(r) + iW(r)$$

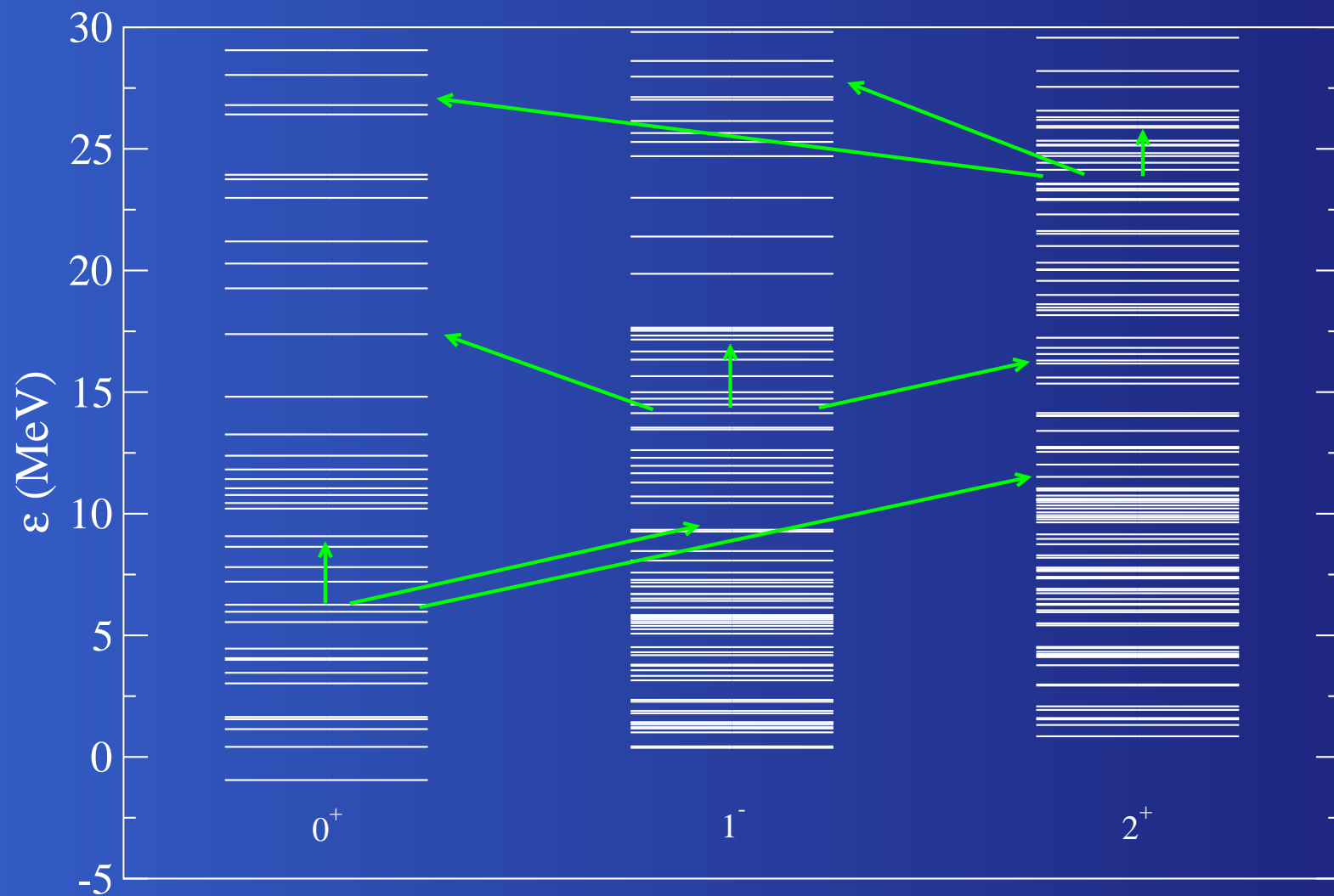
where

$$W(r) = n_i U(r)$$

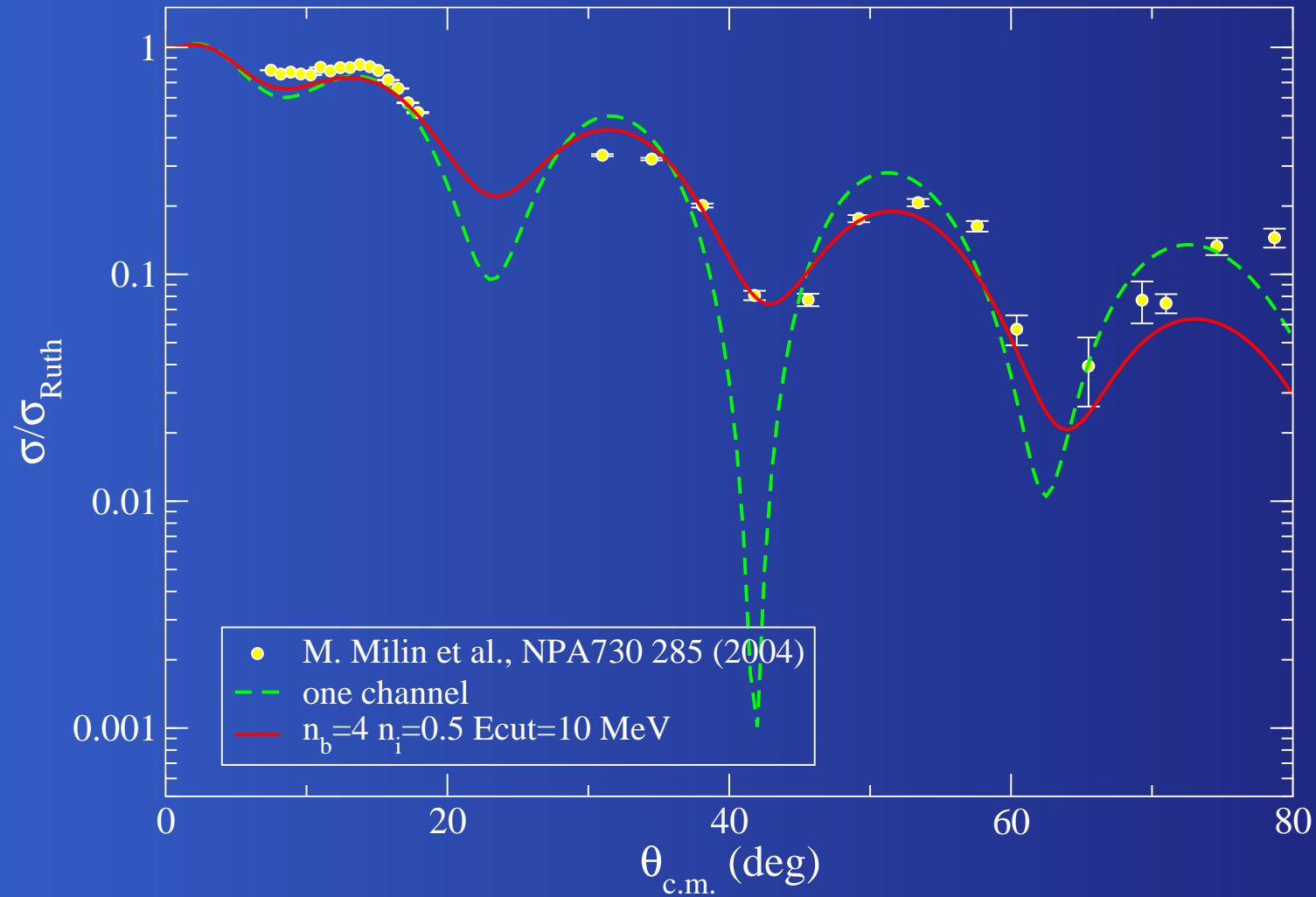
with n_i a parameter chosen in order to reproduce σ_e

$$V_C(r) = \begin{cases} \frac{zZe^2}{2r_0} \left(3 - \frac{r^2}{r_0^2} \right) & r < r_0 \\ \frac{zZe^2}{r} & r > r_0 \end{cases}$$

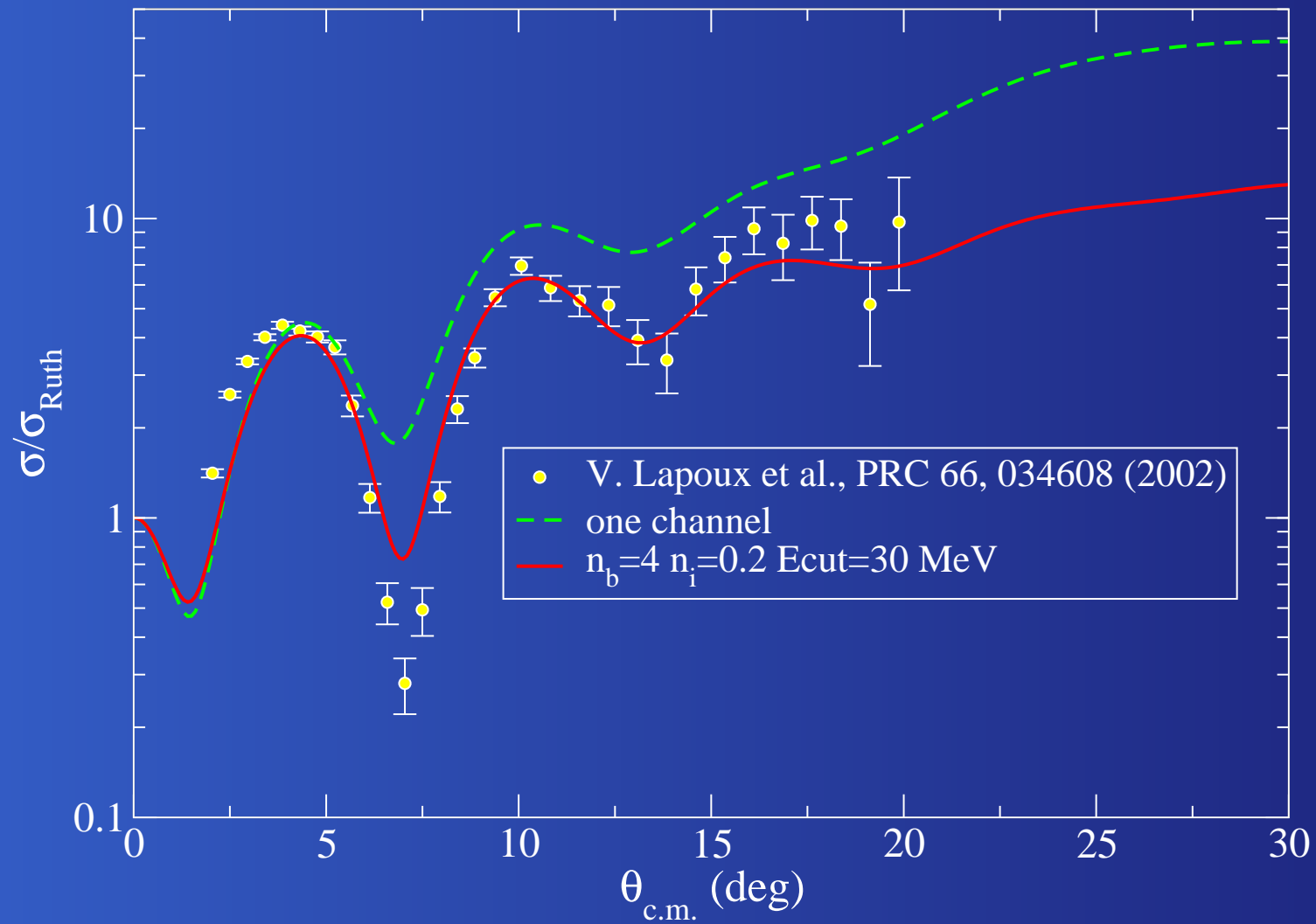
Energy spectrum $n_b = 4$ $K_{max} = 8$



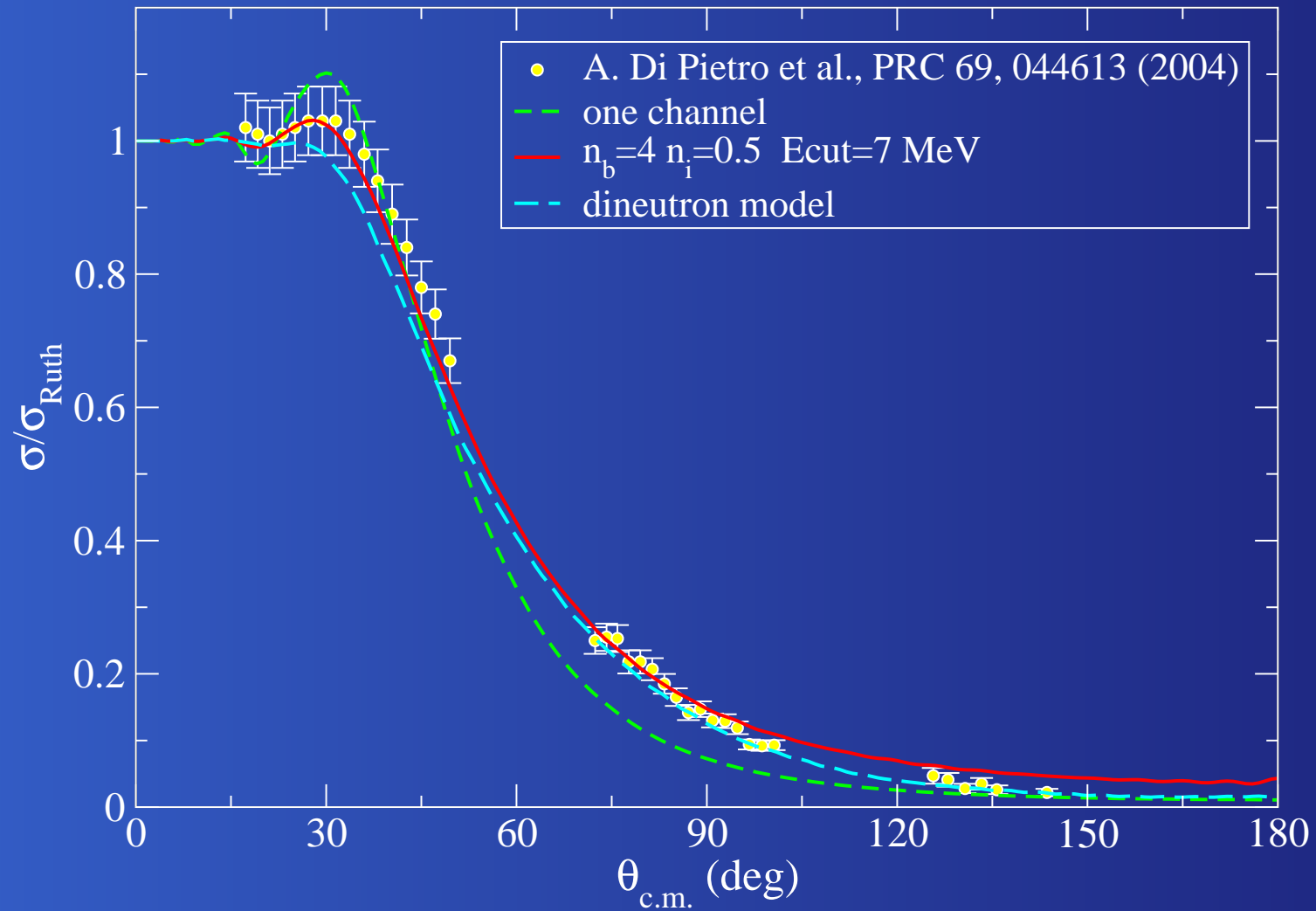
${}^6\text{He} + {}^{12}\text{C} @ 18\text{MeV}$



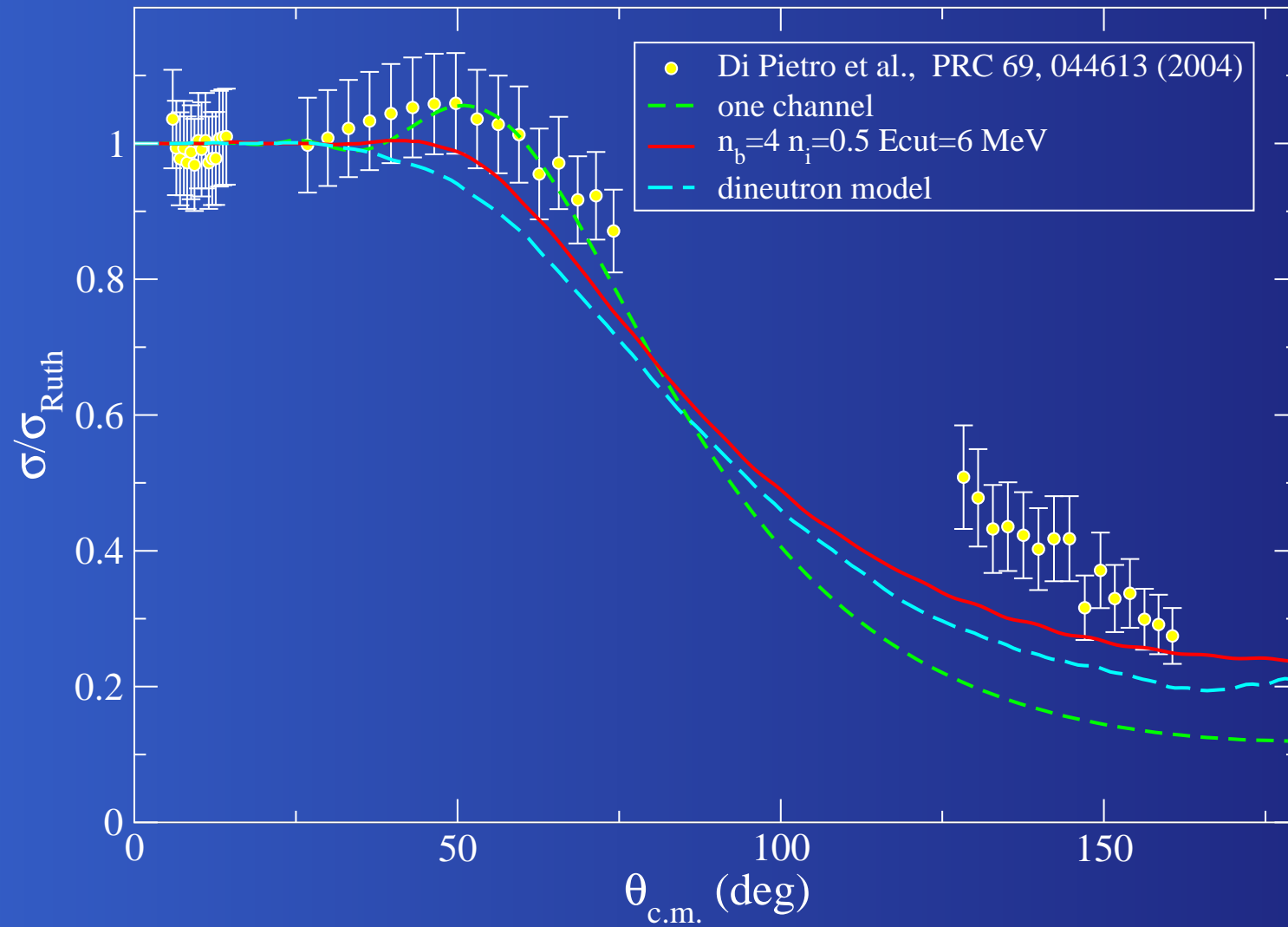
${}^6\text{He} + {}^{12}\text{C} @ 229.8\text{MeV}$



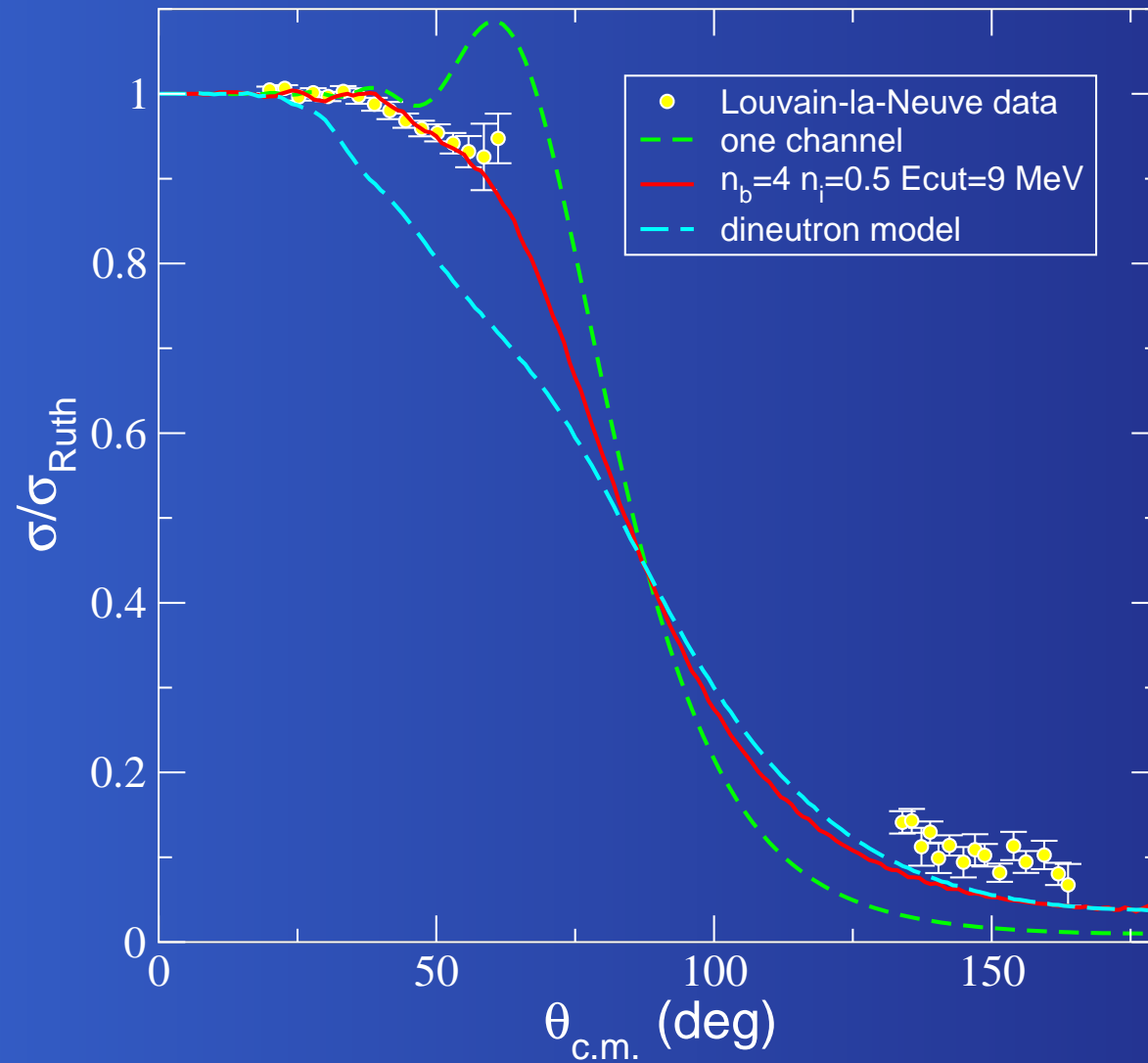
${}^6\text{He} + {}^{64}\text{Zn}$ @ 13.6 MeV



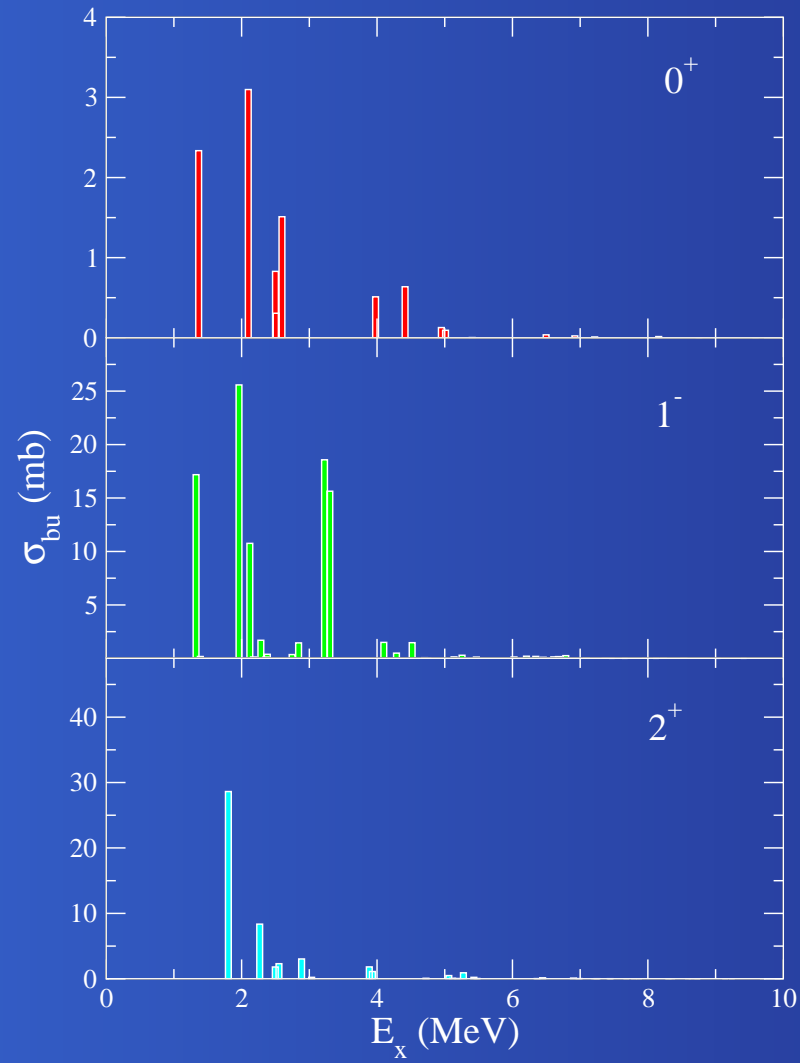
${}^6\text{He} + {}^{64}\text{Zn} @ 10\text{MeV}$



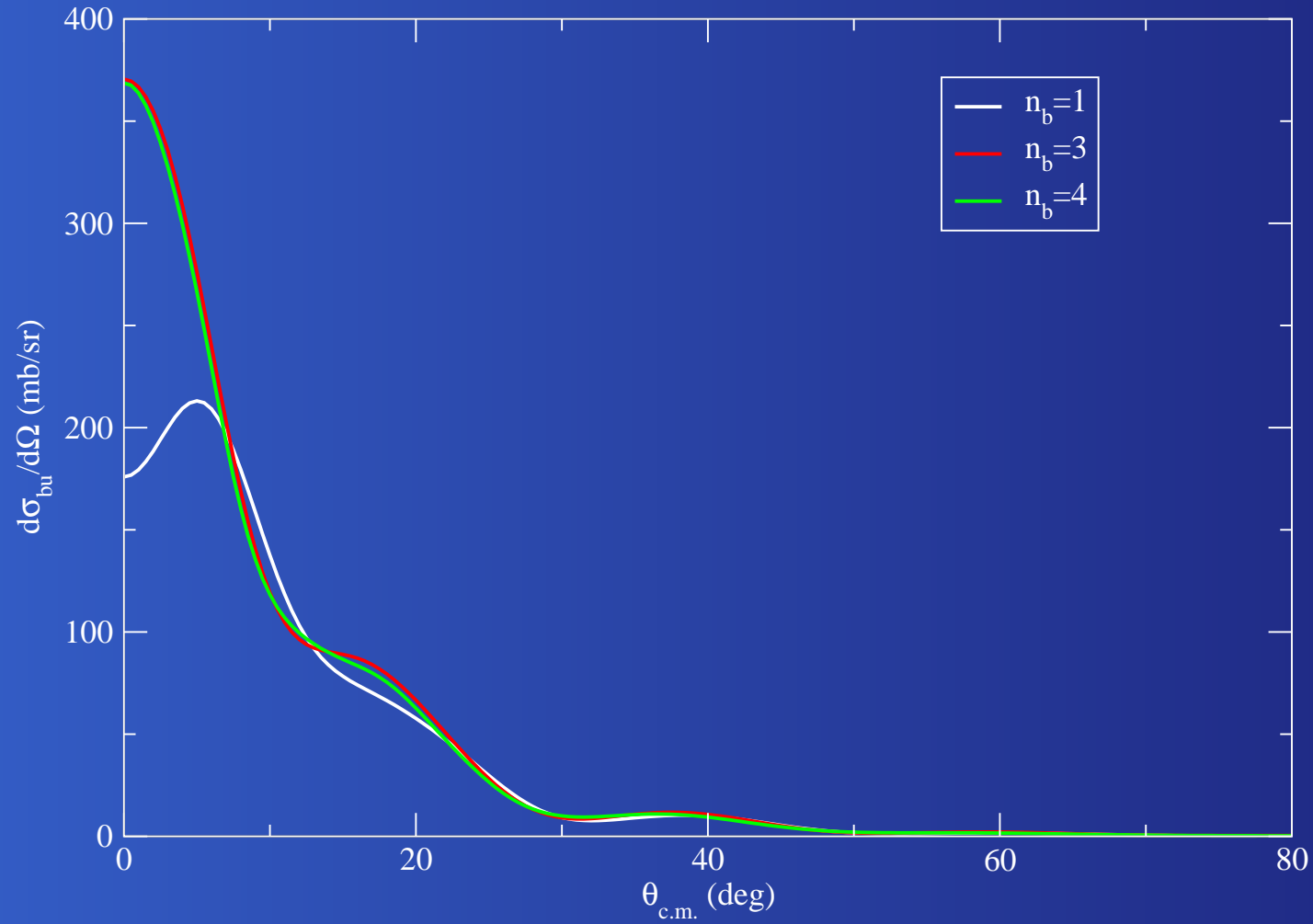
${}^6\text{He} + {}^{208}\text{Pb}$ @ 22 MeV



${}^6\text{He} + {}^{208}\text{Pb}$ @ 22 MeV: Breakup



${}^6\text{He} + {}^{12}\text{C} @ 18\text{MeV}$: Breakup



Summary and conclusions

- ⇒ We have presented a discretization method (THO) for a three-body system that provides a basis from the knowledge of its ground state.
- ⇒ The formalism has been applied to the Borromean nucleus ${}^6\text{He}$.
- ⇒ We have performed CDCC calculations for the reaction of ${}^6\text{He}$ with different targets and at different energies.

Summary and conclusions

In general we can say:

- ⇒ A proper inclusion of the three-body continuum is essential to describe the scattering of ${}^6\text{He}$.
- ⇒ The CDCC calculations with THO as discretization method is an efficient procedure for the treatment of three-body projectiles.
- ⇒ The dineutron model is inappropriate to describe ${}^6\text{He}$ scattering.

Open questions

- ⇒ Proper treatment of absorption.
- ⇒ Understanding better the complicated convergence of the four-body CDCC calculations.
- ⇒ Calculation of α and neutrons breakup observables.
- ⇒ Application to other Borromean nuclei like ^{11}Li , ^{14}Be .