

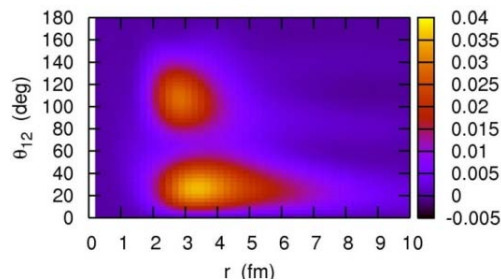
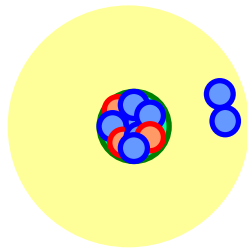
# Two-nucleon correlations in the decays of unbound nuclei beyond the drip lines

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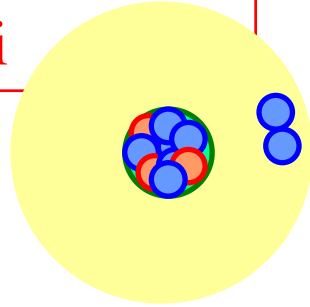
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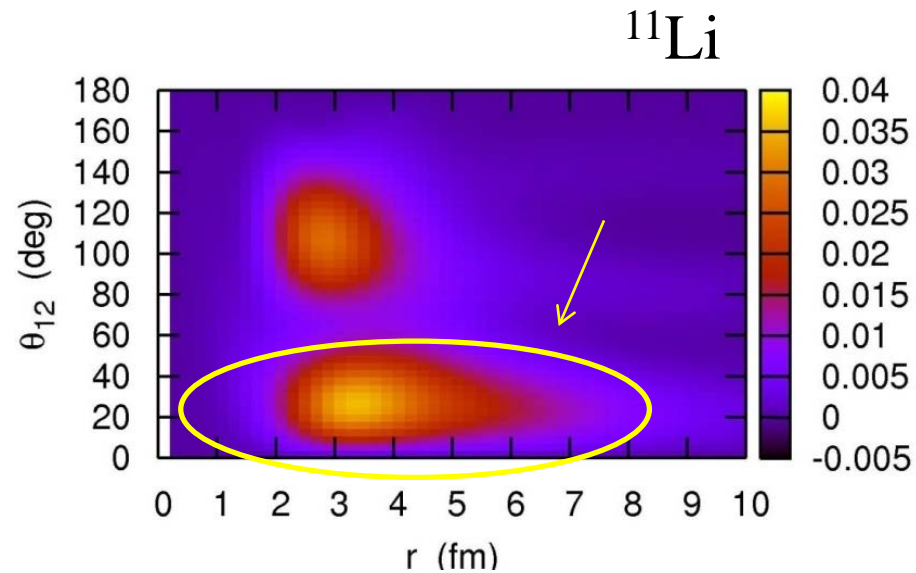
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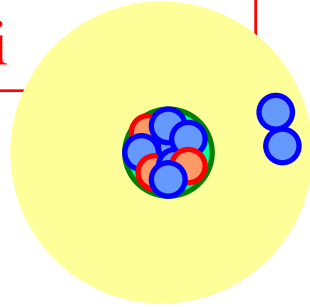
Pillet-Sandulescu-Schuck ('07)



K.H. and H. Sagawa,  
PRC72('05)044321

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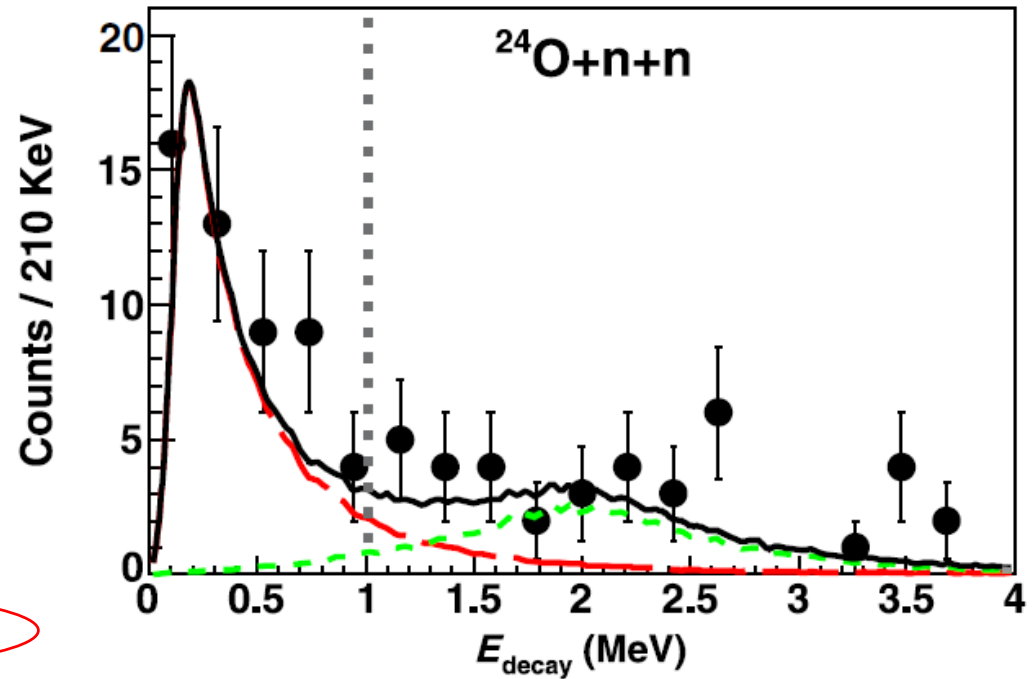
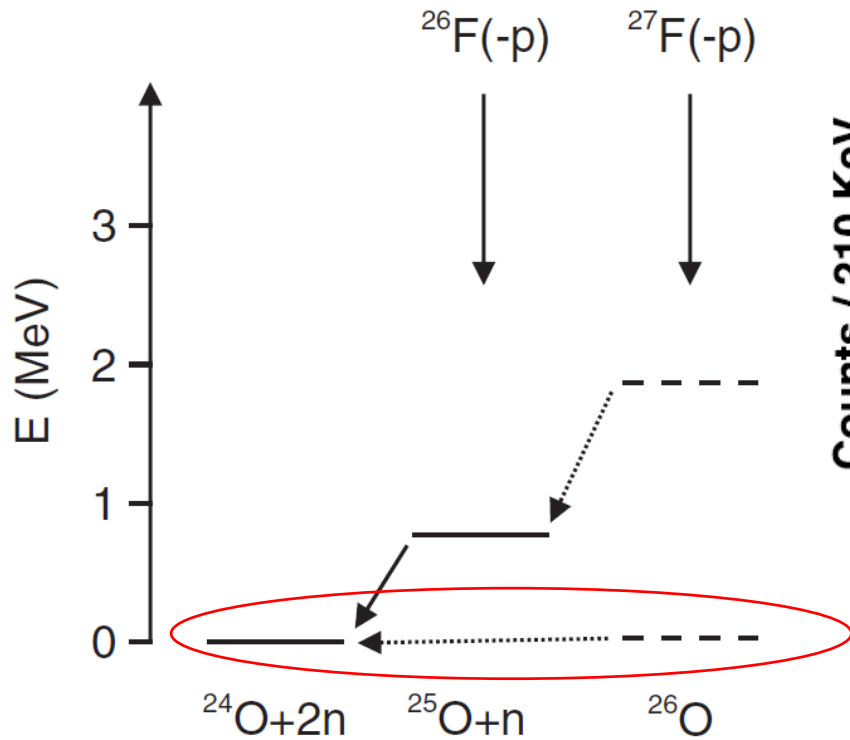
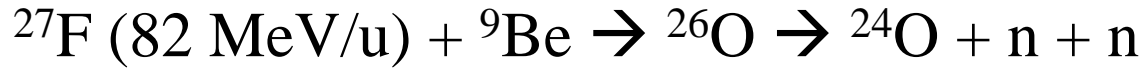
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How to probe it?

- Coulomb breakup
  - T. Nakamura et al.
  - cluster sum rule
  - (mean value of  $\theta_{nn}$ )
- pair transfer reactions
- two-proton decays
  - Coulomb 3-body problem
- two-neutron decays
  - 3-body resonance due to a centrifugal barrier
  - MoNA ( $^{16}\text{Be}$ ,  $^{13}\text{Li}$ ,  $^{26}\text{O}$ )
  - SAMURAI** ( $^{26}\text{O}$ )
  - GSI ( $^{26}\text{O}$ )

# Two-neutron emission decays of $^{26}\text{O}$ (MoNA@MSU)

E. Lunderberg et al., PRL108 ('12) 142503  
Z. Kohley et al., PRL 110 ('13)152501



$$E_{\text{decay}} = 150^{+50}_{-150} \text{ keV}$$

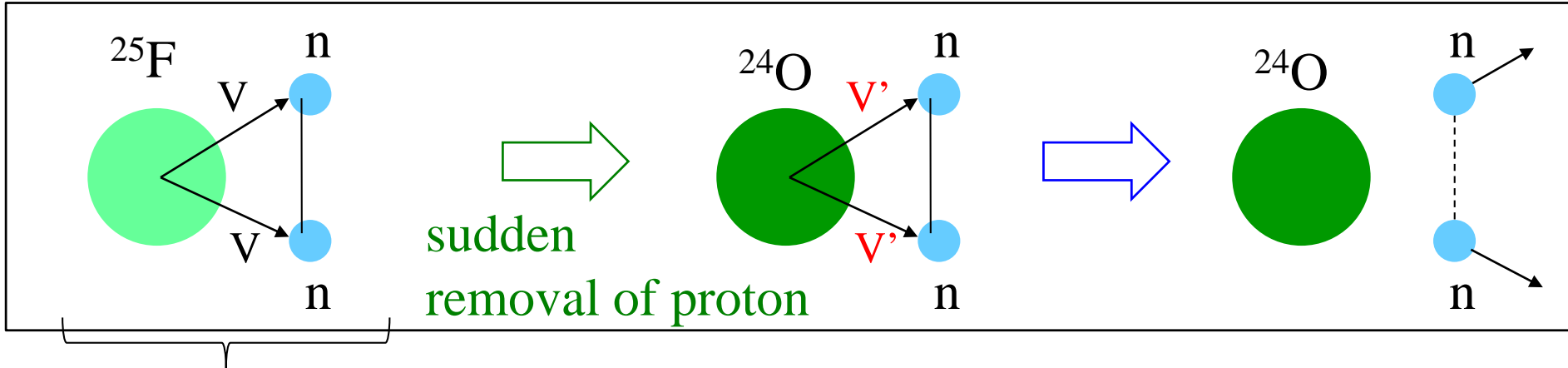
$$\Gamma_{\text{exp}} = 1.0^{+0.34}_{-0.25} \pm 0.68 \times 10^{-10} \text{ MeV}$$

cf. Y. Kondo et al., (SAMURAI)

C. Caesar et al., PRC88 ('13) 034313 (GSI exp.)

# 3-body model analysis

cf. Expt. :  $^{27}\text{F}$  (82 MeV/u) +  $^9\text{Be}$   $\rightarrow$   $^{26}\text{O}$   $\rightarrow$   $^{24}\text{O}$  + n + n



g.s. of  $^{27}\text{F}$  (bound)

spontaneous decay

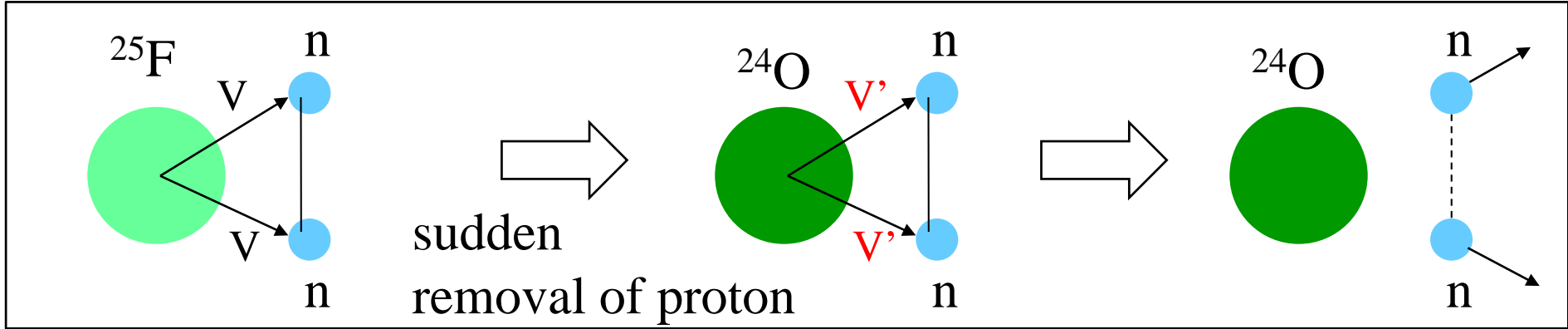
$$\psi_{nn} \otimes |^{25}\text{F}\rangle$$

$$\psi_{nn} \otimes |^{24}\text{O}\rangle$$

the same config. (non-eigenstate of  $^{24}\text{O}+n+n$ )

FSI  $\rightarrow$  Green's function method

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_{fi} &= \langle (j_1 j_2)^{J=0} | (1 - vG_0 + vG_0 vG_0 - \dots) | \psi_i \rangle \\
 &= \langle (j_1 j_2)^{J=0} | (1 + vG_0)^{-1} | \psi_i \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$



➤  $^{24}\text{O} + n$  potential

Woods-Saxon potential

C.R. Hoffman et al.,  
PRL100('08)152502

$e_{2s1/2} = -4.09 (13) \text{ MeV},$

$e_{1d3/2} = + 770^{+20}_{-10} \text{ keV}, \quad \Gamma_{1d3/2} = 172(30) \text{ keV}$

➤  $^{25}\text{F} + n$  potential

$(^{24}\text{O} + n)$  potential +  $\delta V_{ls}$

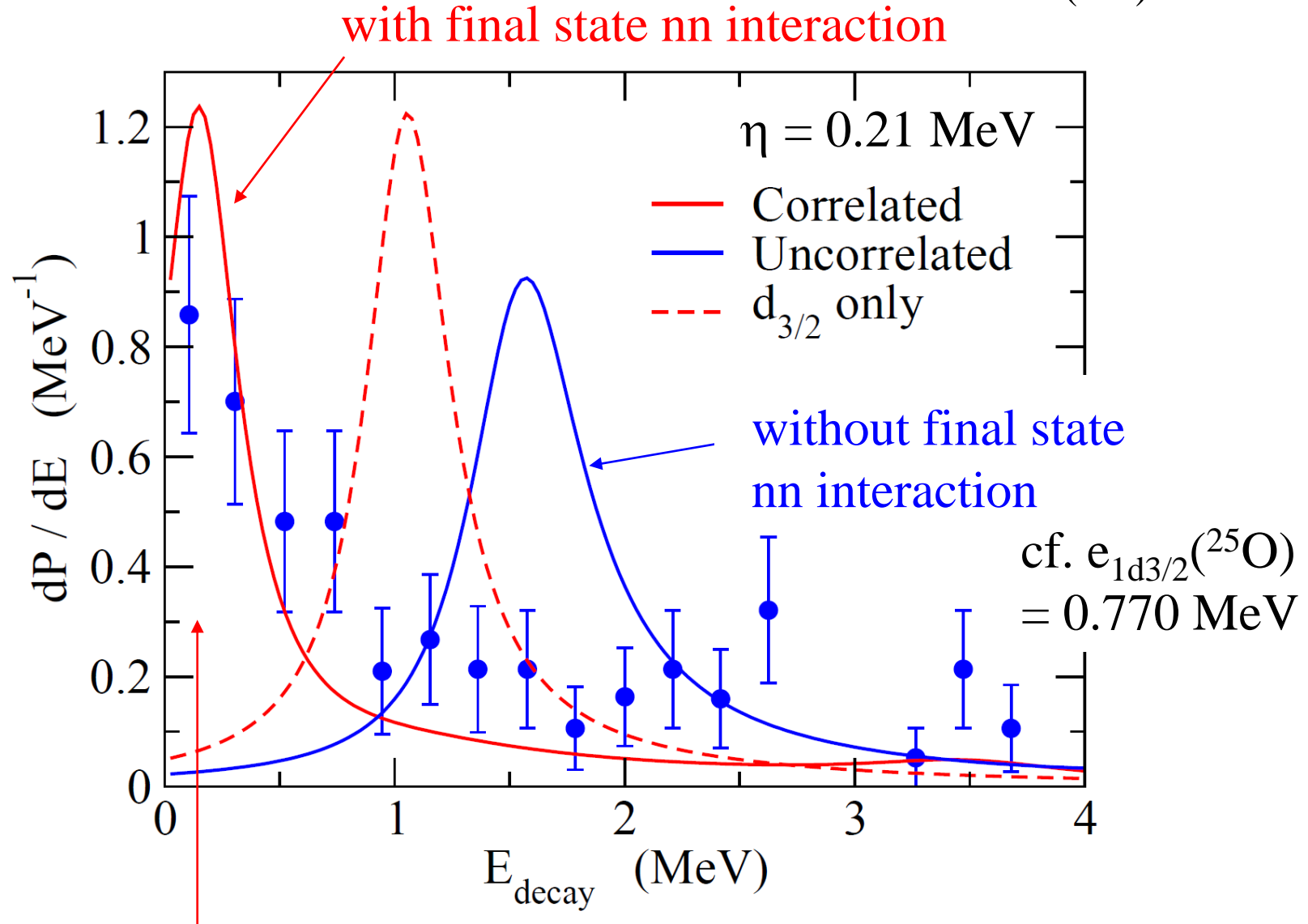
← pn tensor interaction

T. Otsuka et al., PRL95('05)232502

$e_{1d3/2} (^{26}\text{F}) = - 0.811 \text{ MeV}$

➤ nn interaction (density-dependent zero-range interaction)

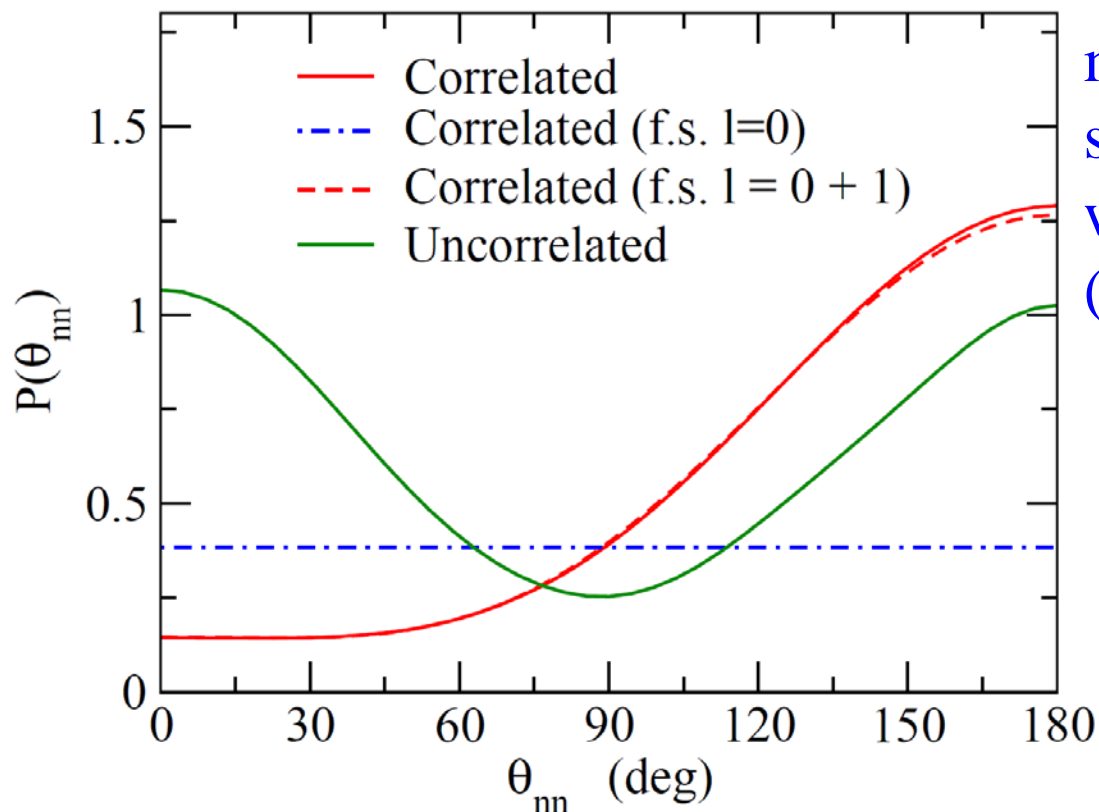
←  $E_{\text{exp}} (^{27}\text{F}) = -2.80(18) \text{ MeV}$



very narrow three-body resonance state ( $\Gamma_{\text{exp}} \sim 10^{-10}$  MeV)

$E_{\text{peak}} = 0.14$  MeV with this setup

# Angular correlation of the two emitted neutrons



main contributions:  
 s- and p-waves in three-body  
 wave function  
 (no or low centrifugal barrier)

2n correlations

→ enhancement of  
 back-to-back emission

$$\langle \theta_{nn} \rangle = 115.3^\circ$$

↔ dineutron correlation

$$\Psi(r, r') = \alpha \Psi_{s^2}(r, r') + \beta \Psi_{p^2}(r, r') \rightarrow \theta_r = 0: \text{enhanced}$$

→ Fourier transform  $e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} = \sum_l (2l+1) i^l \dots \rightarrow \begin{matrix} i^l & \cdot & i^l & = & i^{2l} & = & (-)^l \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & & & \\ r & & r' & & & & \end{matrix}$

$$\tilde{\Psi}(k, k') = \alpha \tilde{\Psi}_{s^2}(k, k') - \beta \tilde{\Psi}_{p^2}(k, k') \rightarrow \theta_k = \pi: \text{enhanced}$$

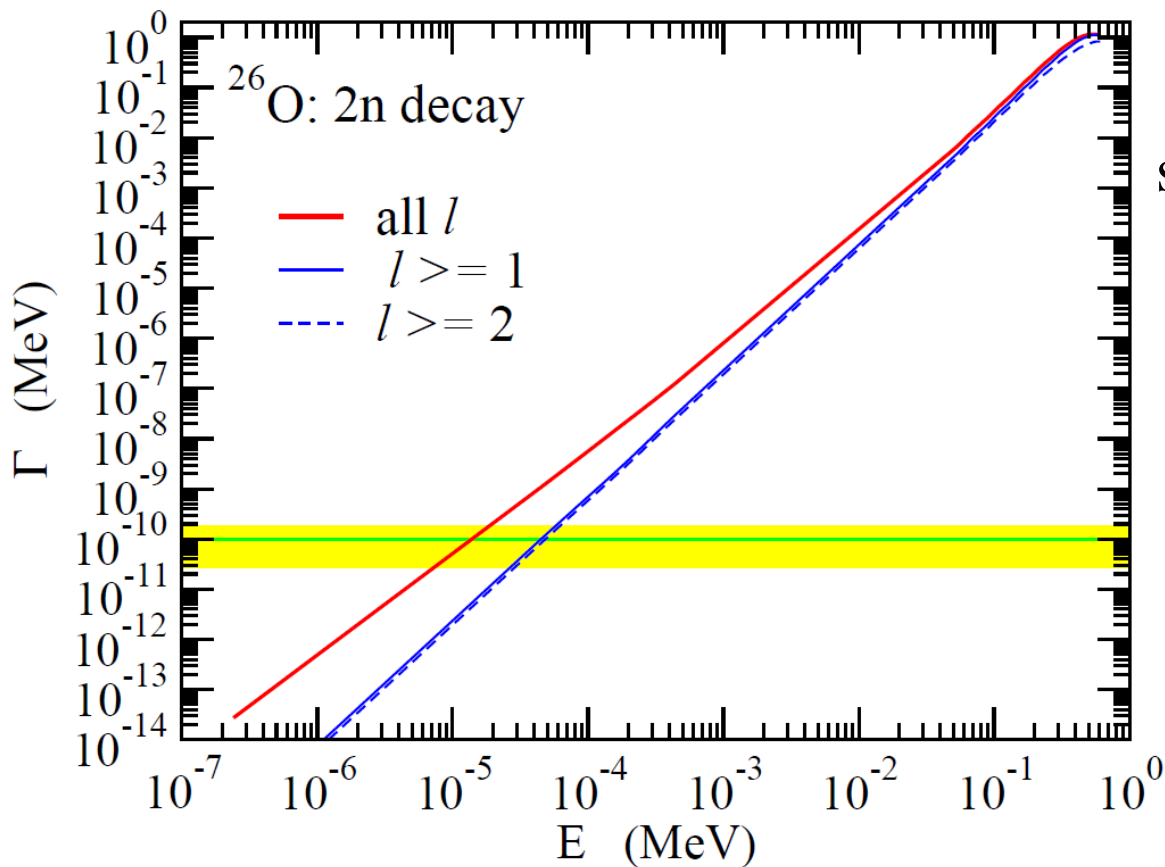
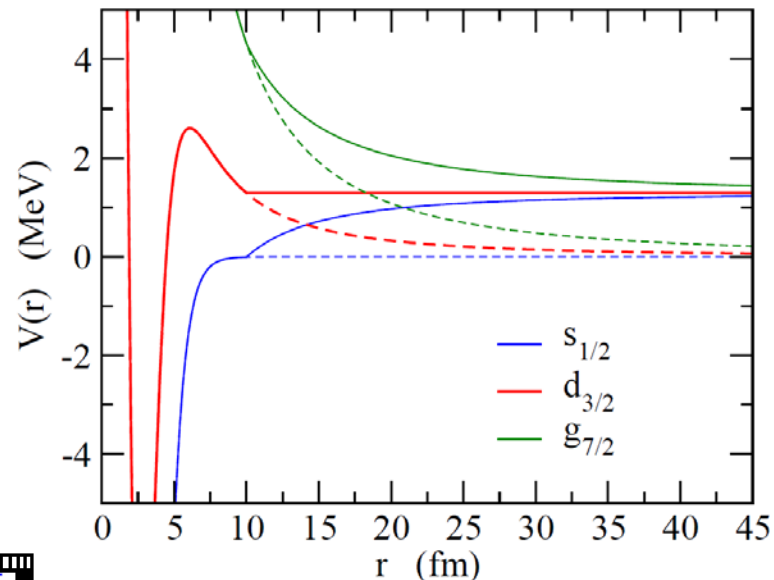


# Decay width

two-potential method:

S.A. Gurvitz, PRL59 ('87) 262

$$\Gamma = 2\Im \langle \Phi_0 | \delta V Q \frac{1}{QH_f Q - E_R - i\eta} Q \delta V | \Phi_0 \rangle$$



simple prescription:

$$QH_f Q$$

$$\rightarrow Q_0(h_1 + h_2)Q_0 + v_{12}$$

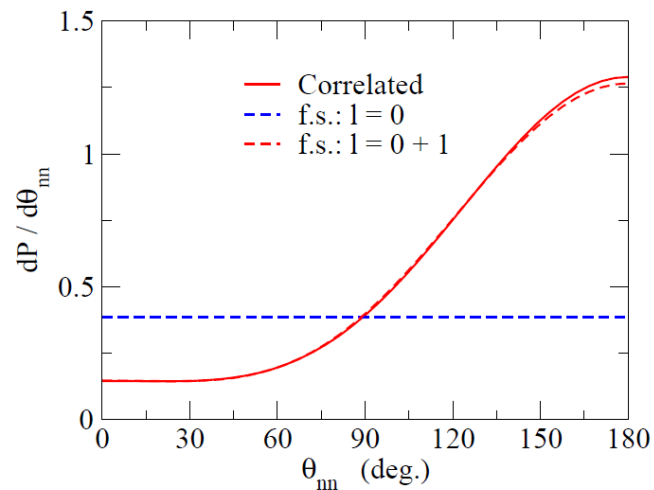
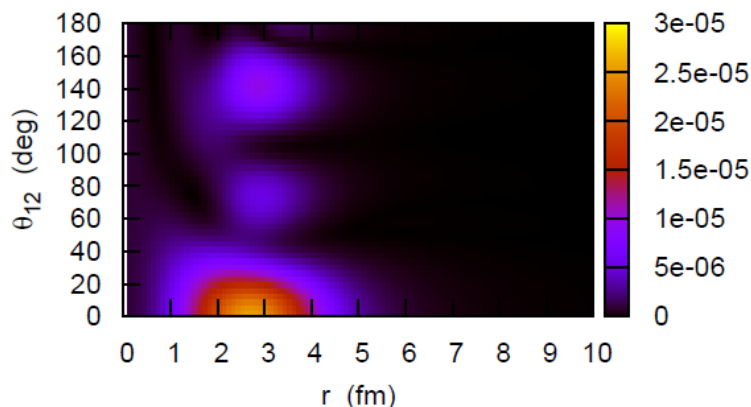
K.H., G.F. Bertsch, H. Sagawa,  
preliminary

# Summary

2n emission decay of  $^{26}\text{O}$  ← three-body model with density-dependent zero-range interaction: continuum calculations: relatively easy

- ✓ Decay energy spectrum: strong low-energy peak
- ✓ Energy distribution of 2 neutrons: three-body resonance
- ✓ Angular distributions: enhanced back-to-back emission

↔ dineutron emission



## □ open problems

- ✓ Analyses for  $^{16}\text{Be}$ ,  $^{13}\text{Li}$  (especially angular distributions)
- ✓ Decay width?