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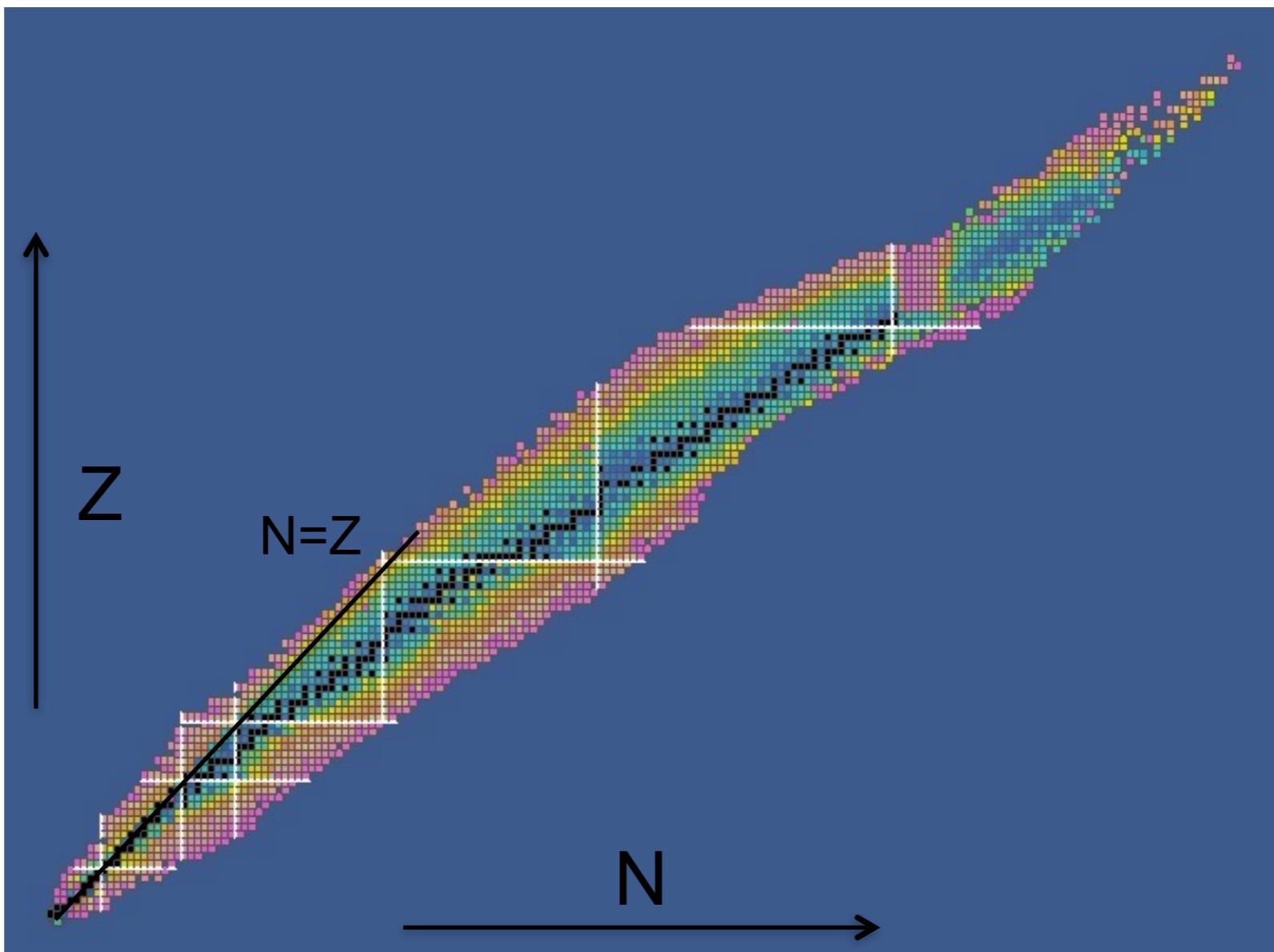
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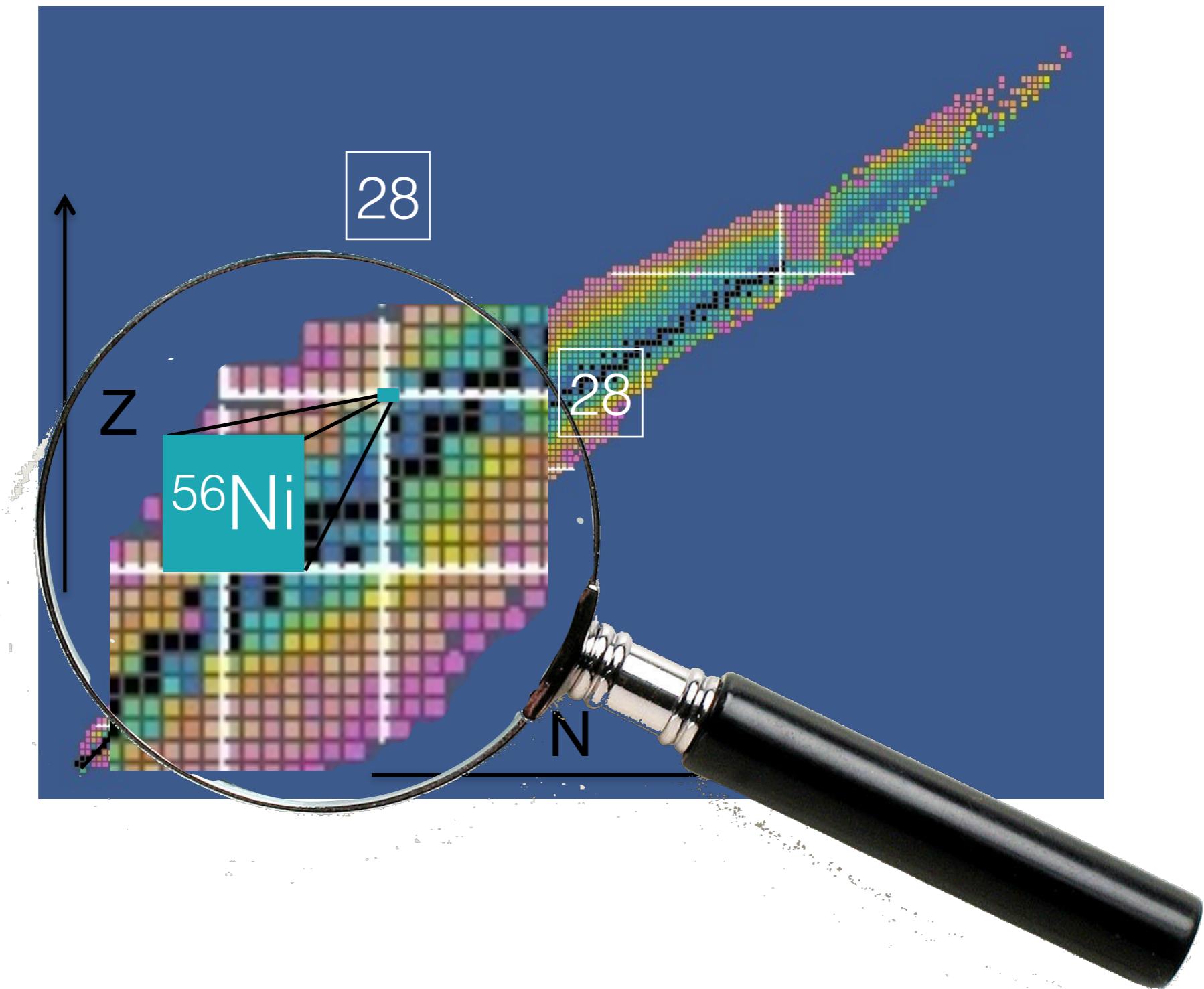


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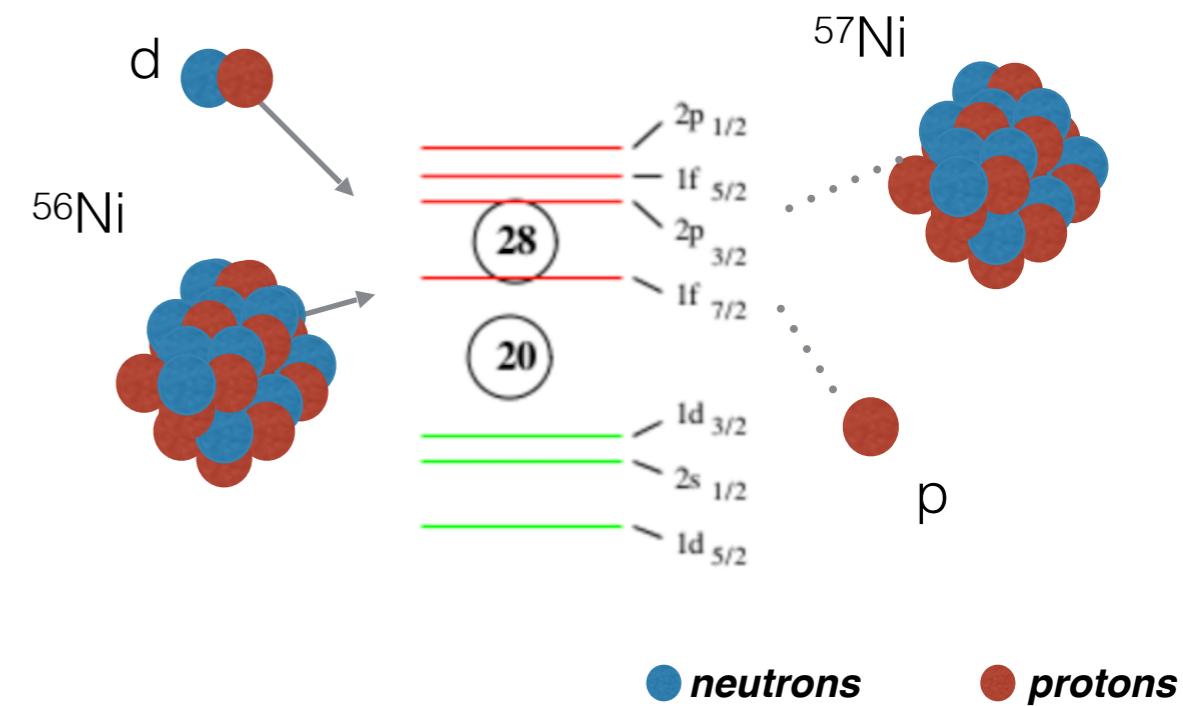
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## *I. One nucleon transfer reaction*

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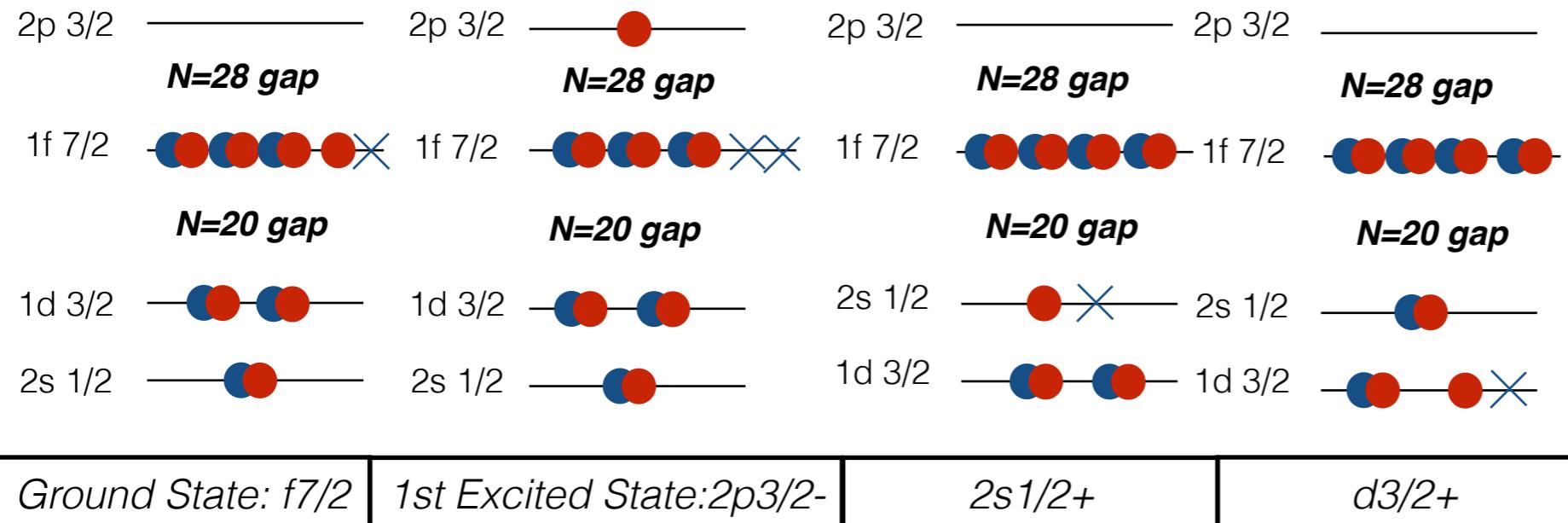
**Transfer reactions** continue to play **major role** in our understanding of the nuclear elementary modes of excitation, particularly in the **characterisation of the single particle** degrees of freedom and their correlations.



Neutron **pick-up reactions** gives information about the N=27 isotones.

Extraction of the neutron **Spectroscopic Factor (SF)**, is a measure of the overlap between the initial and final state.

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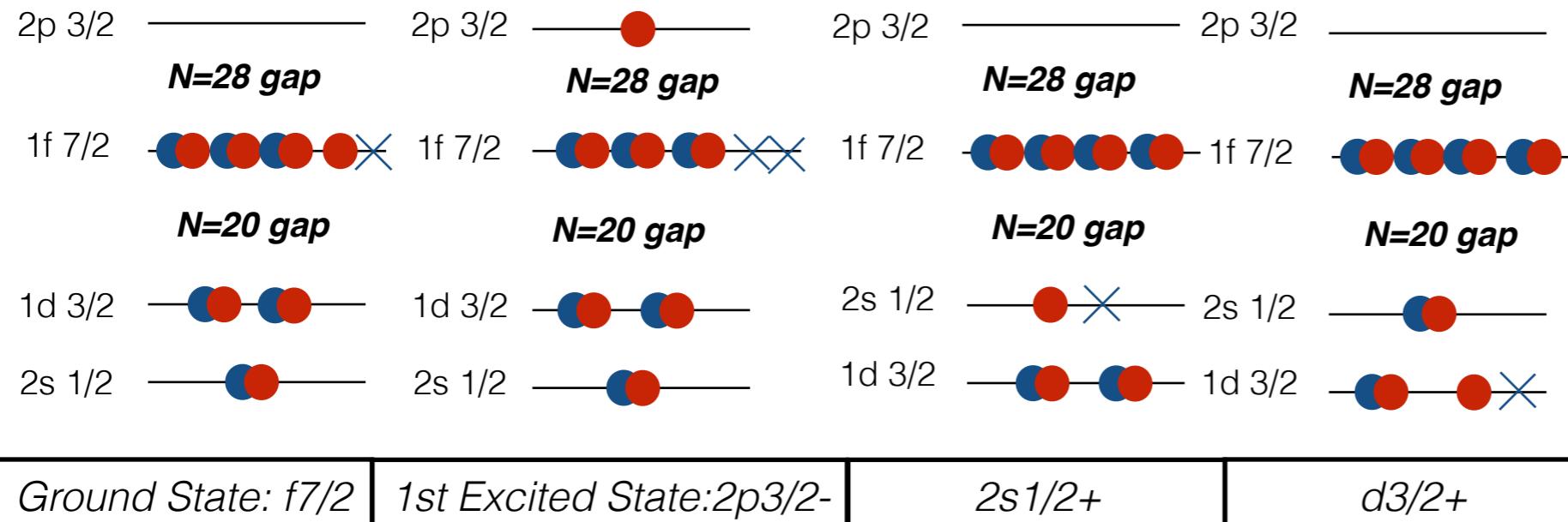
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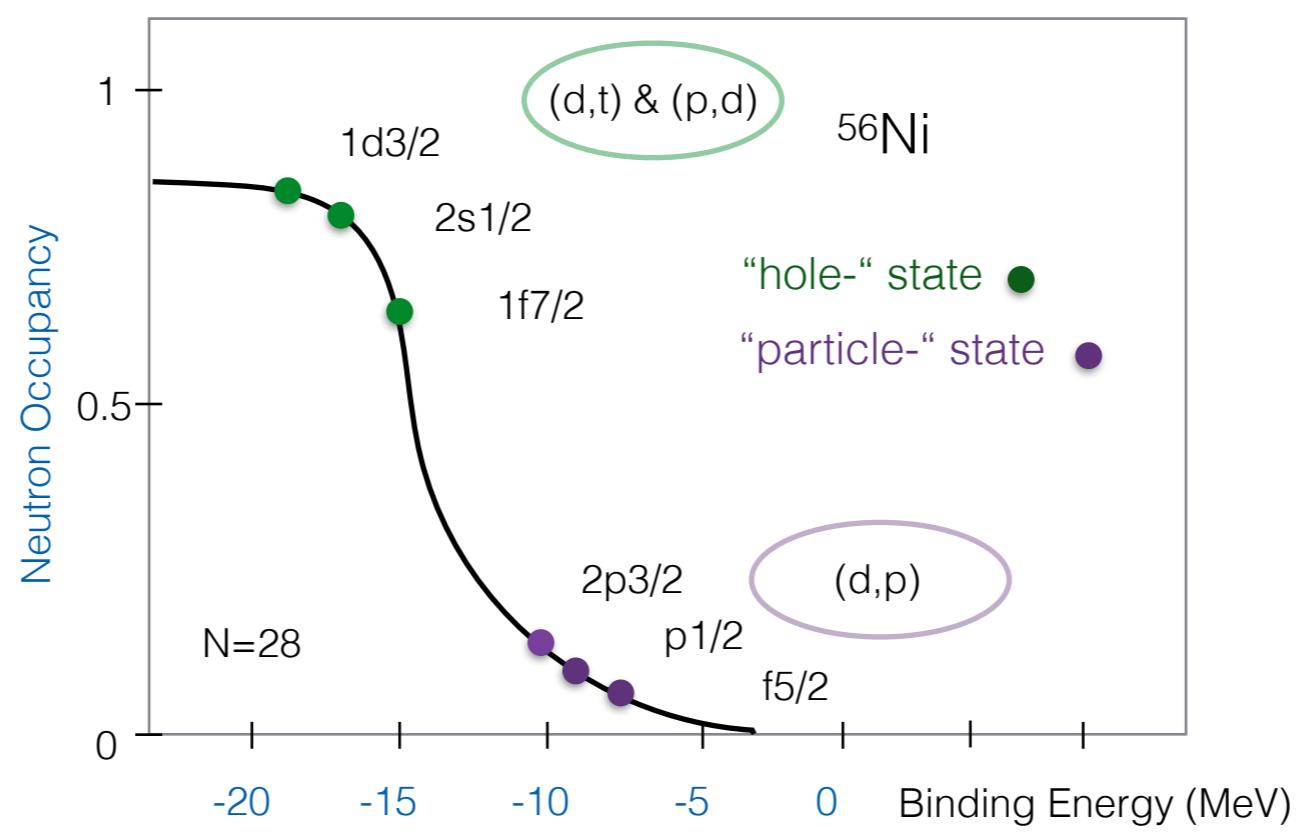
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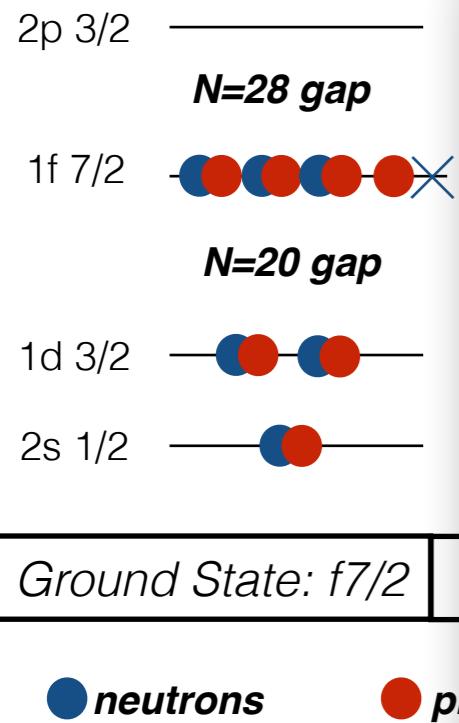
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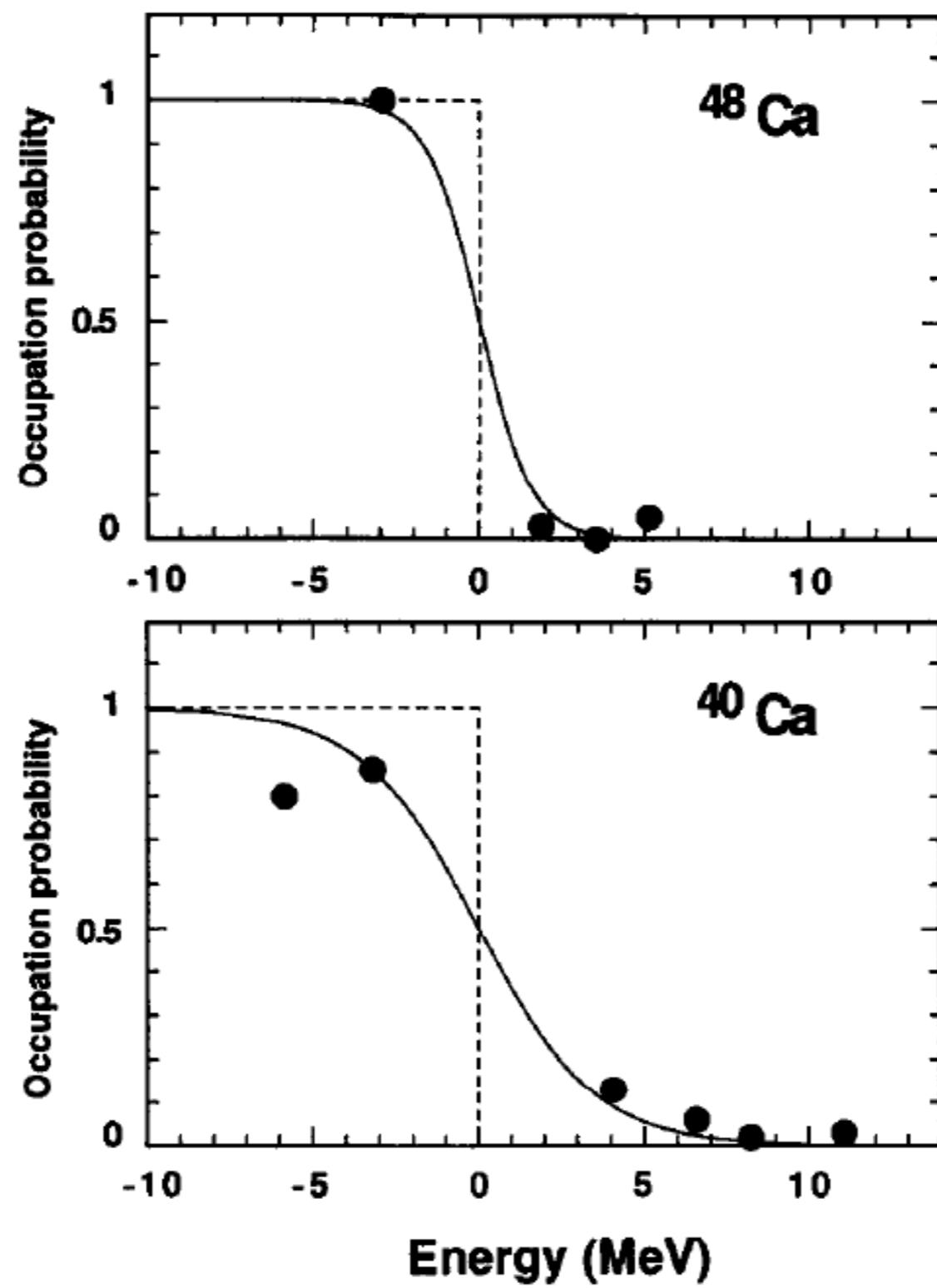
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*Y. Uozumi et al. / Nuclear Physics A576 (1994) 123–137*

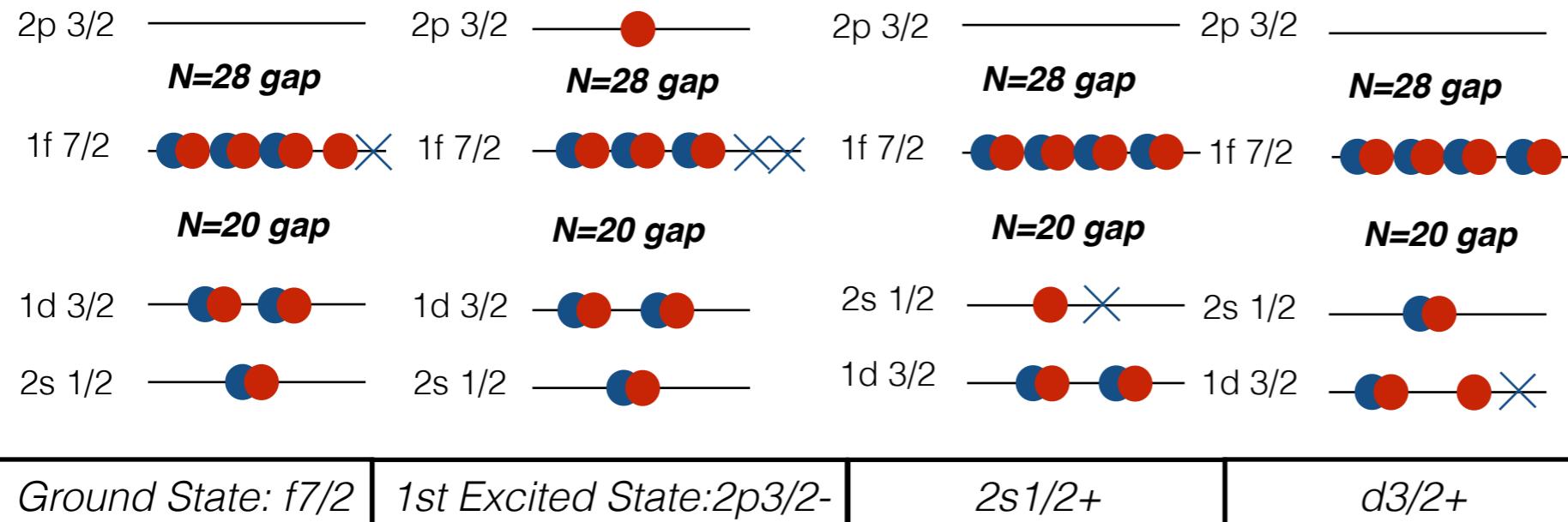


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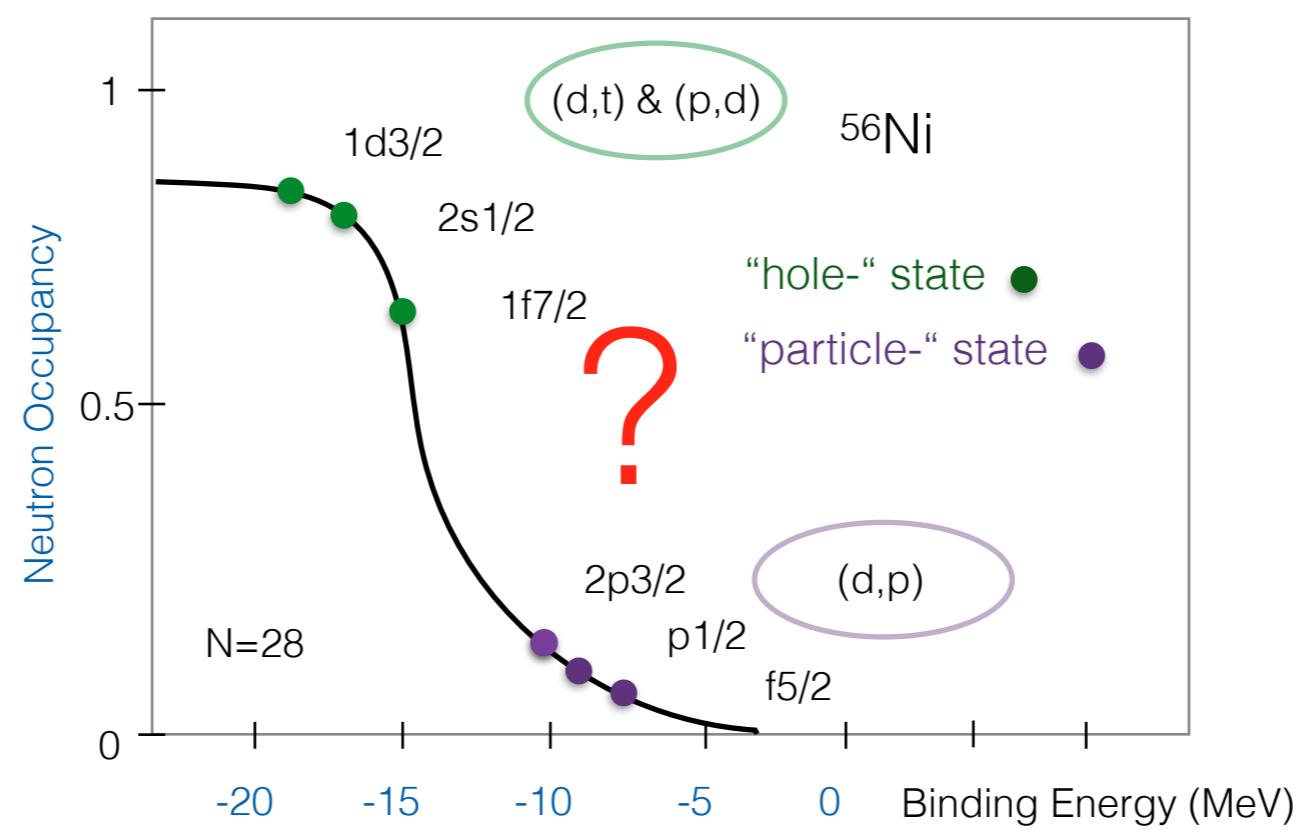
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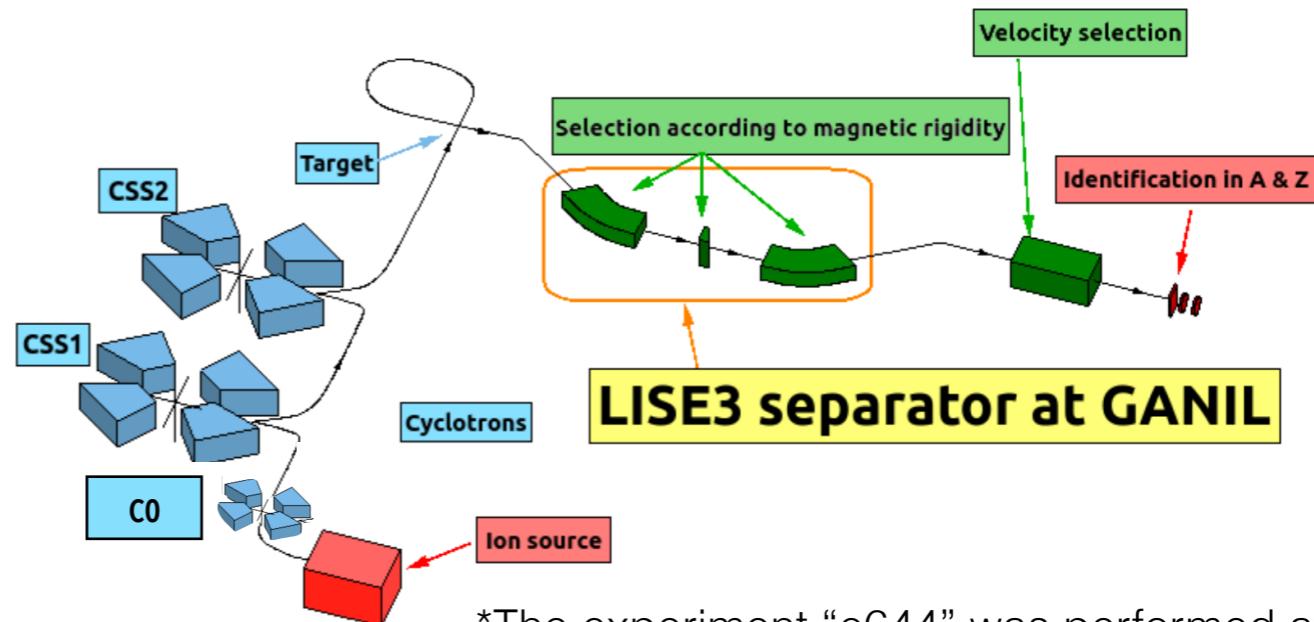
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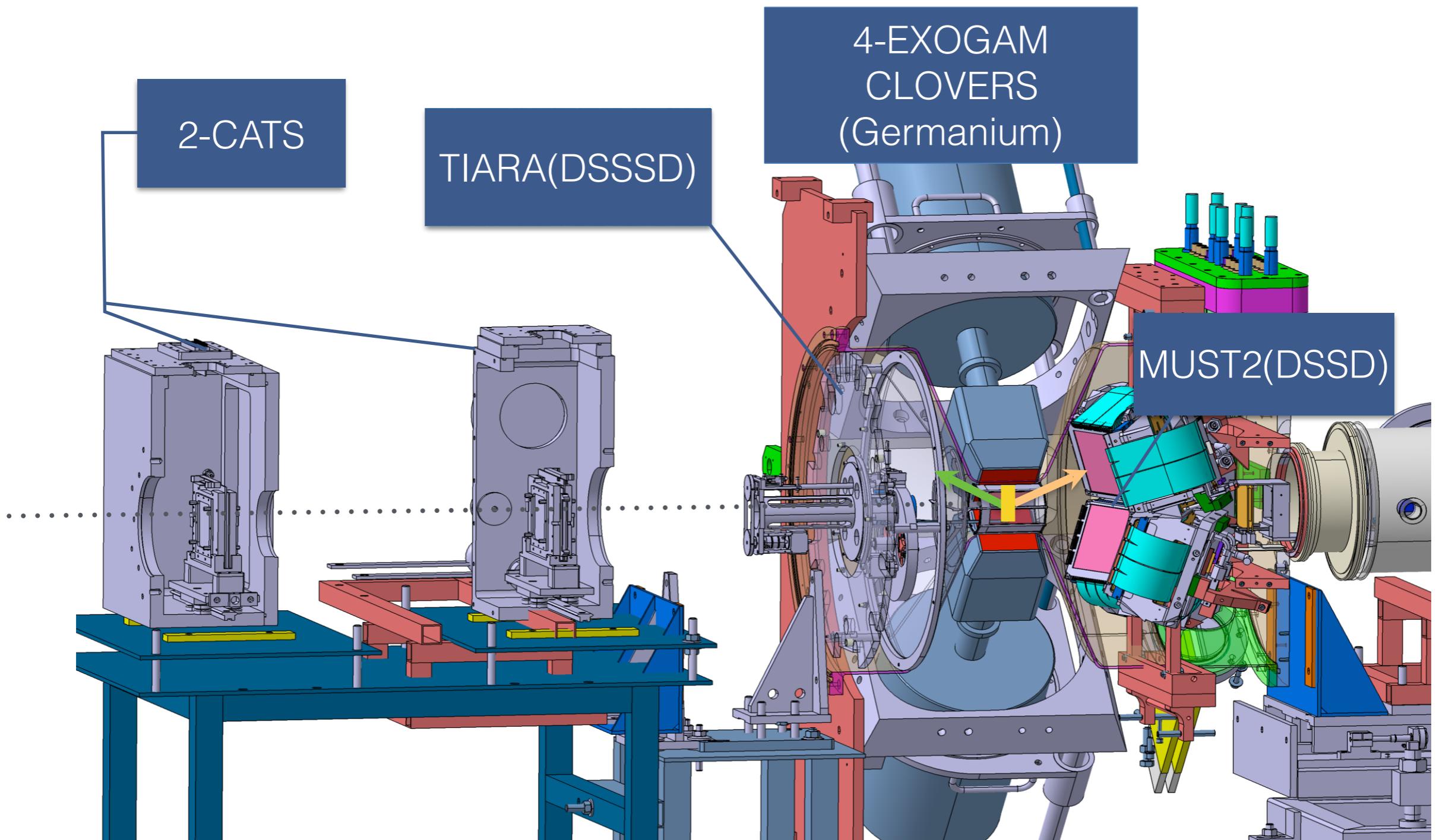


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## *One nucleon transfer*



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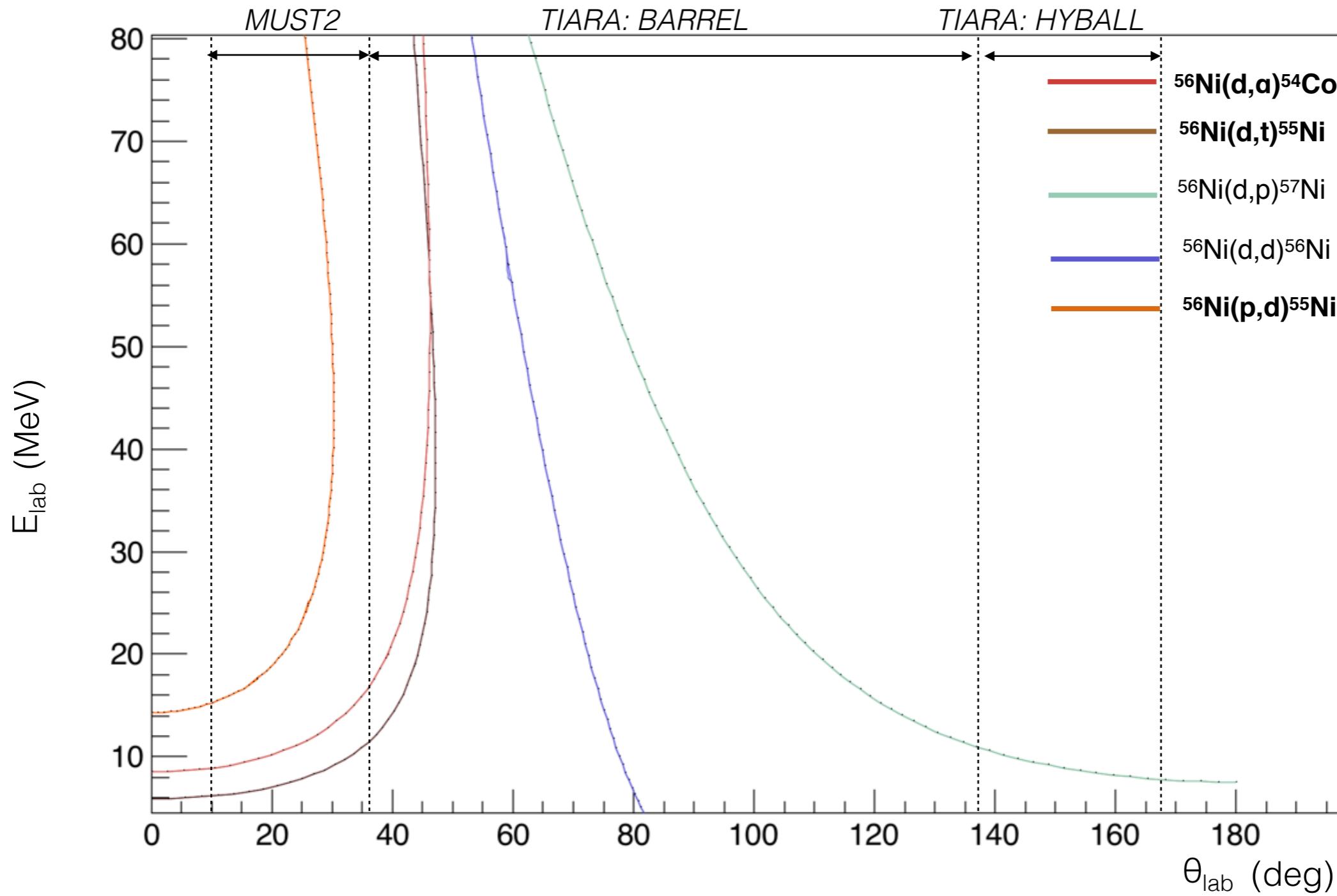


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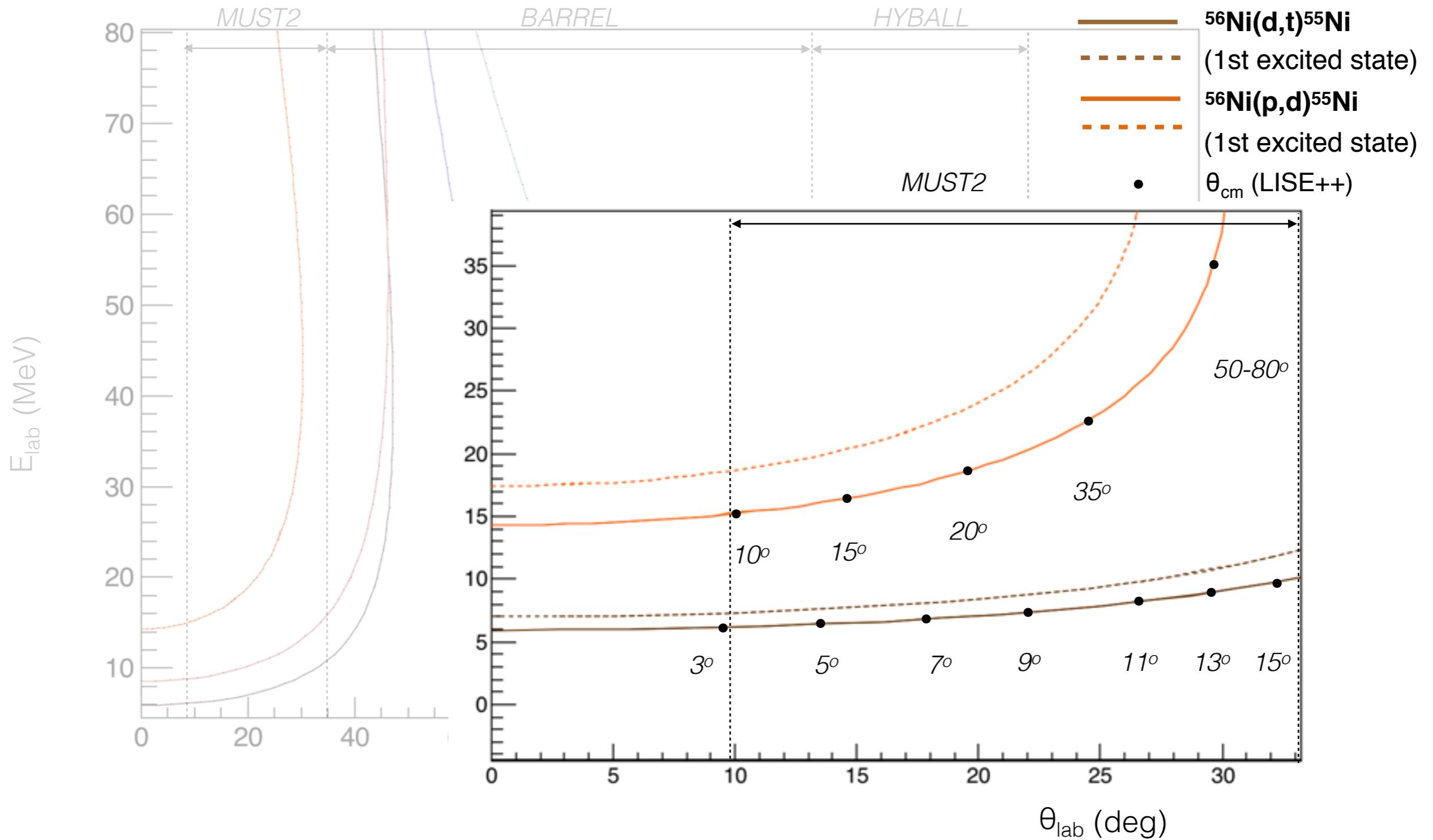
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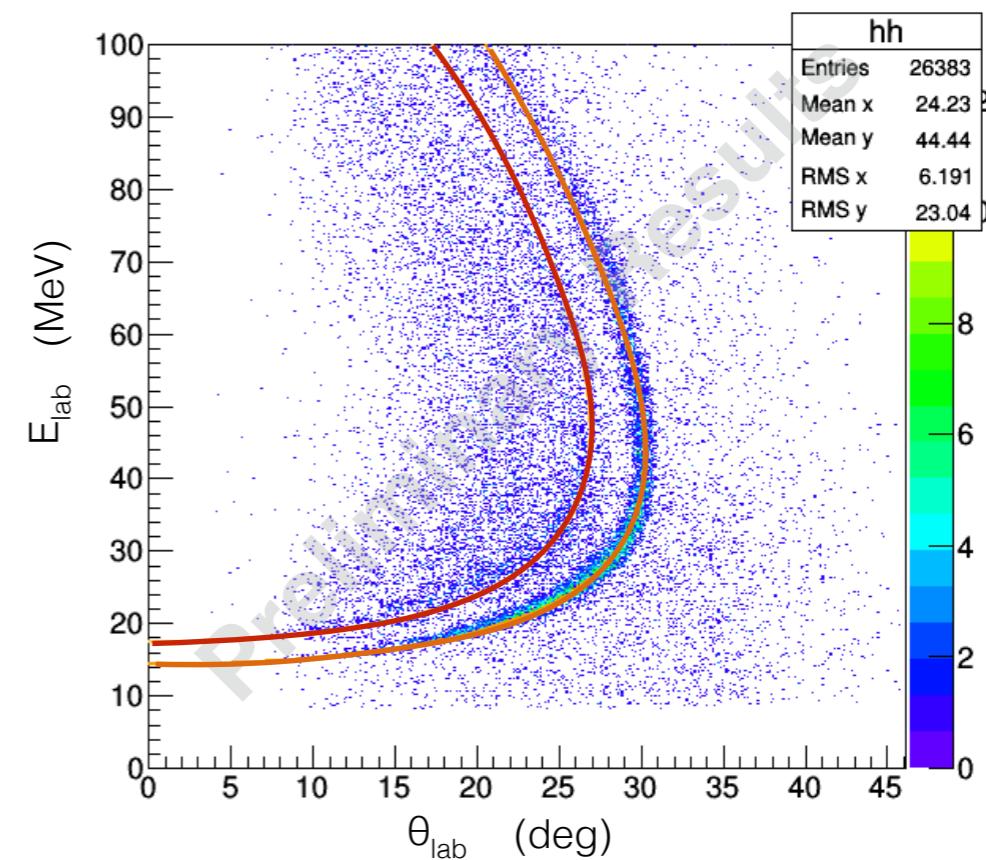
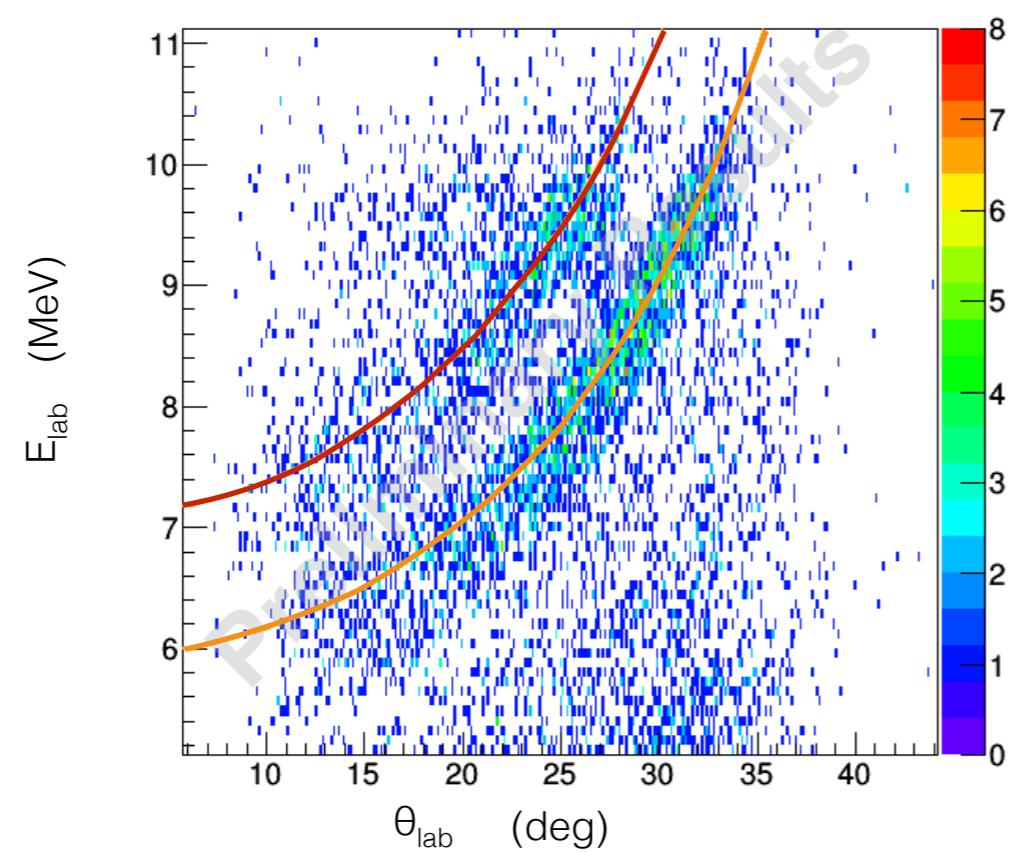
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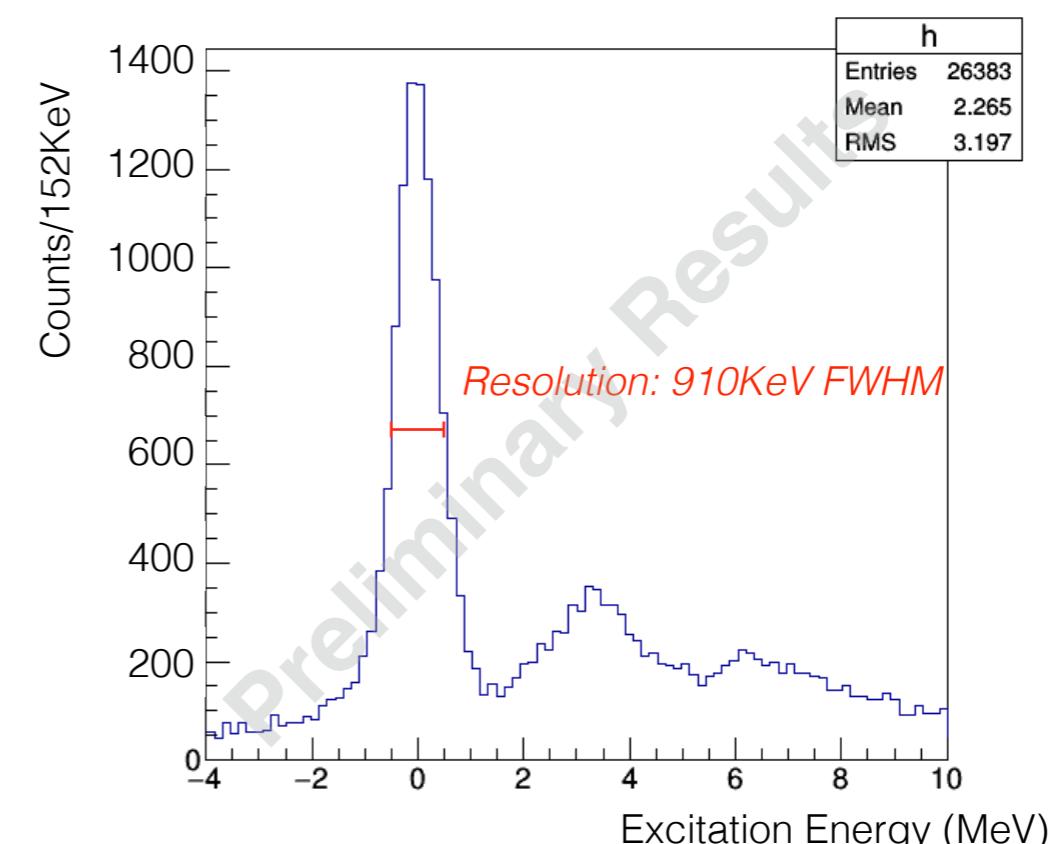
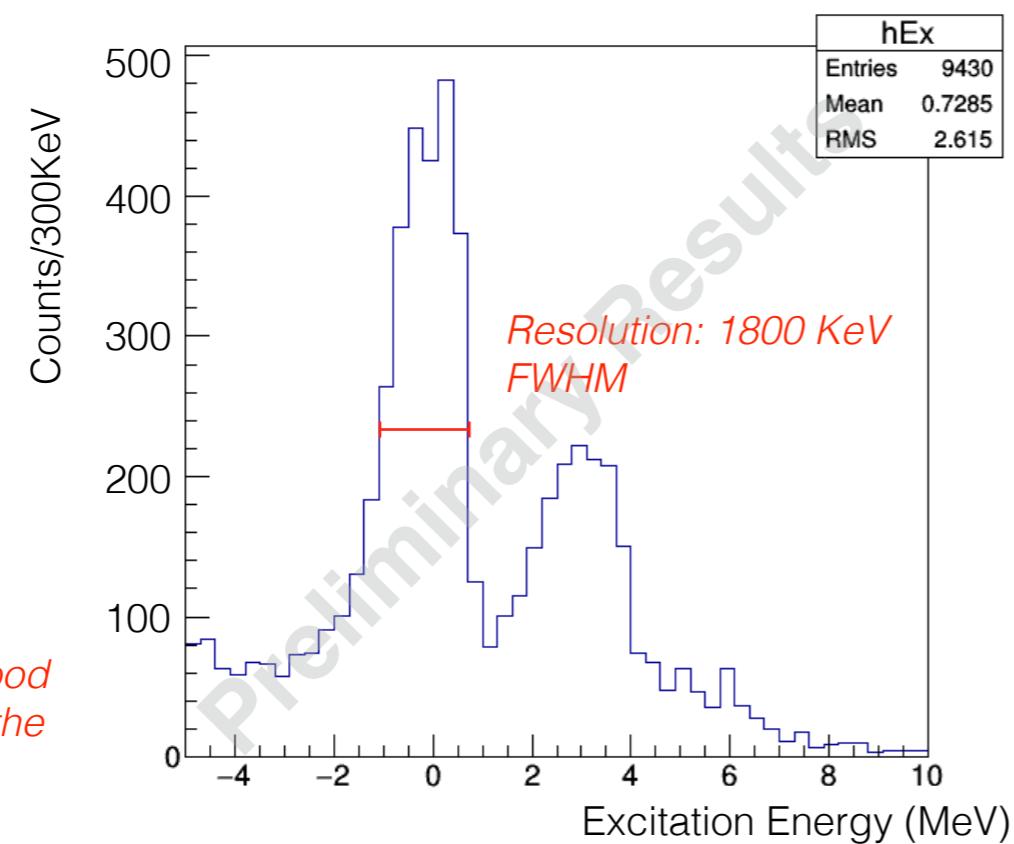
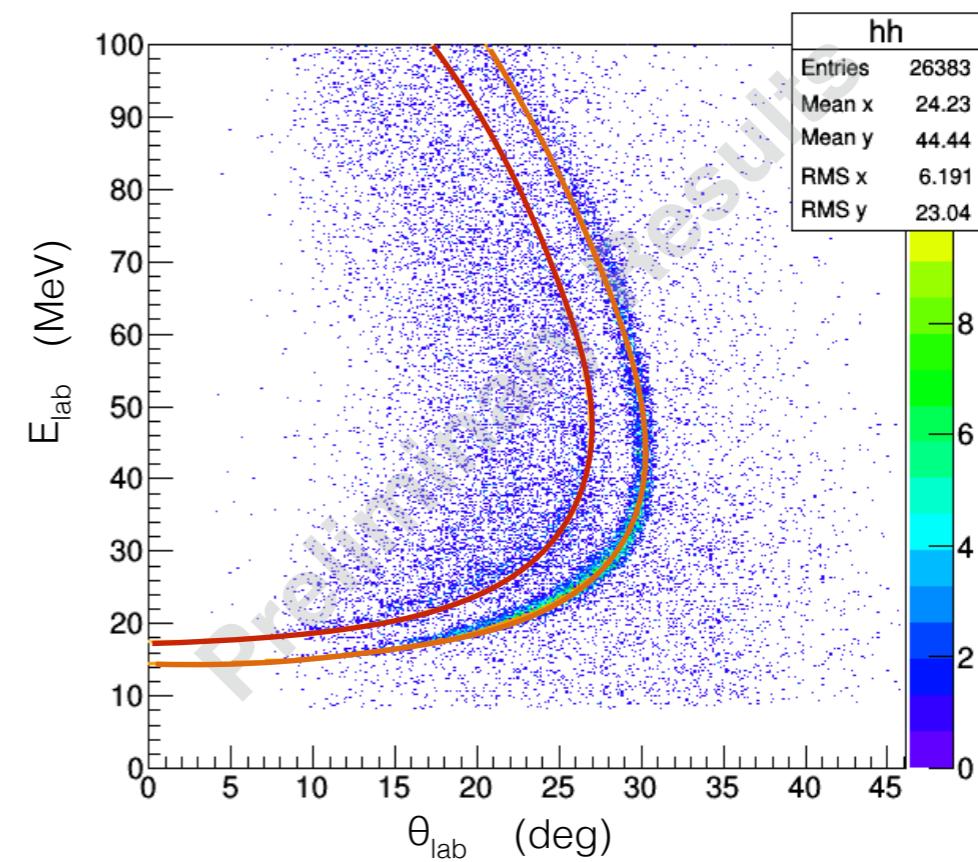
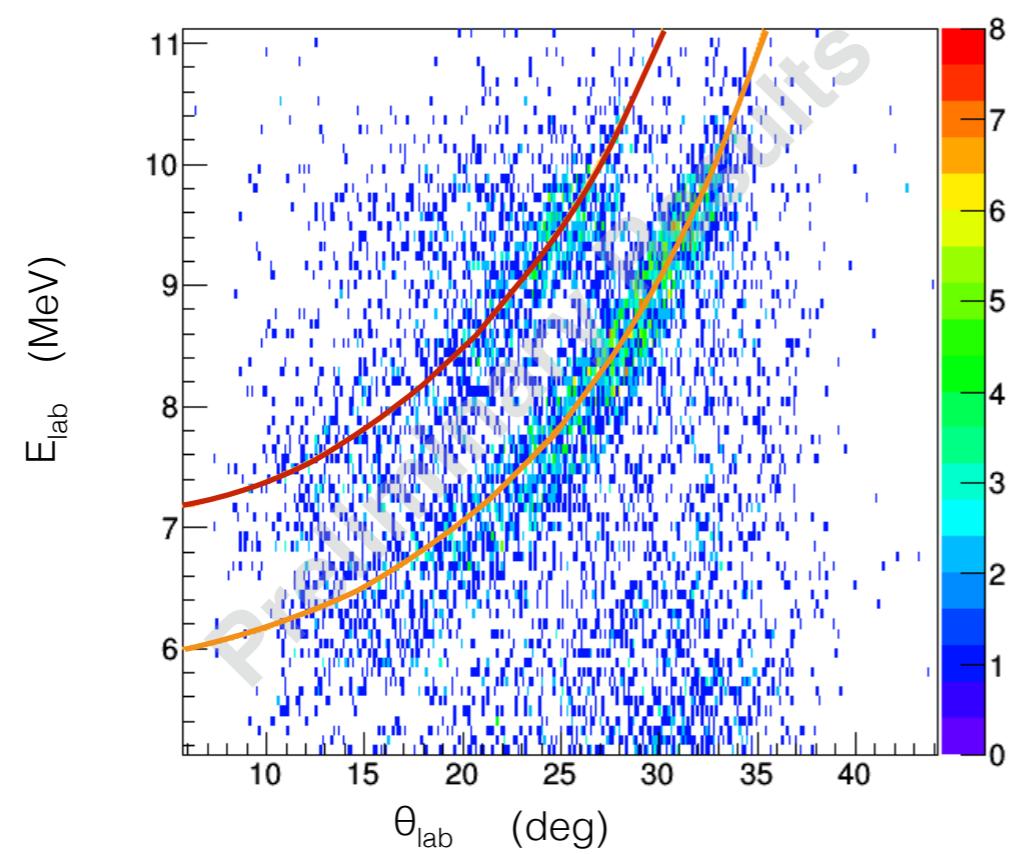


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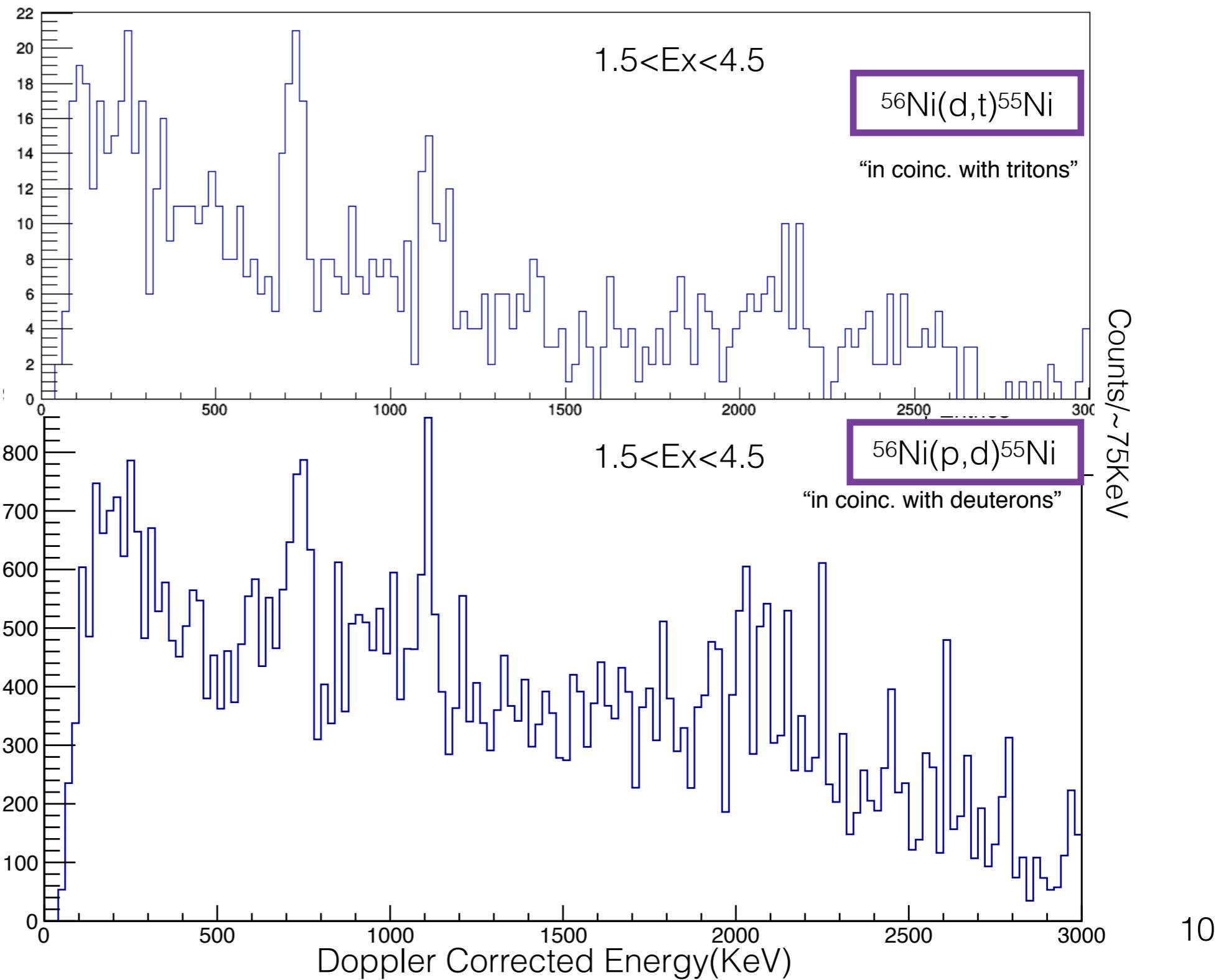


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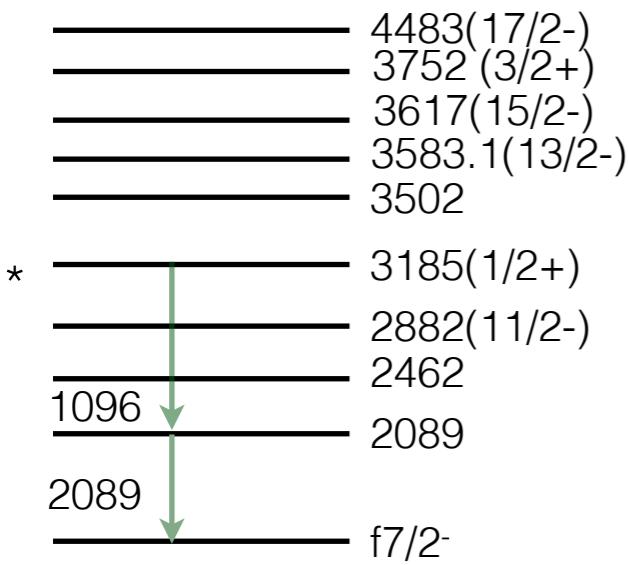
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$^{55}\text{Ni}$



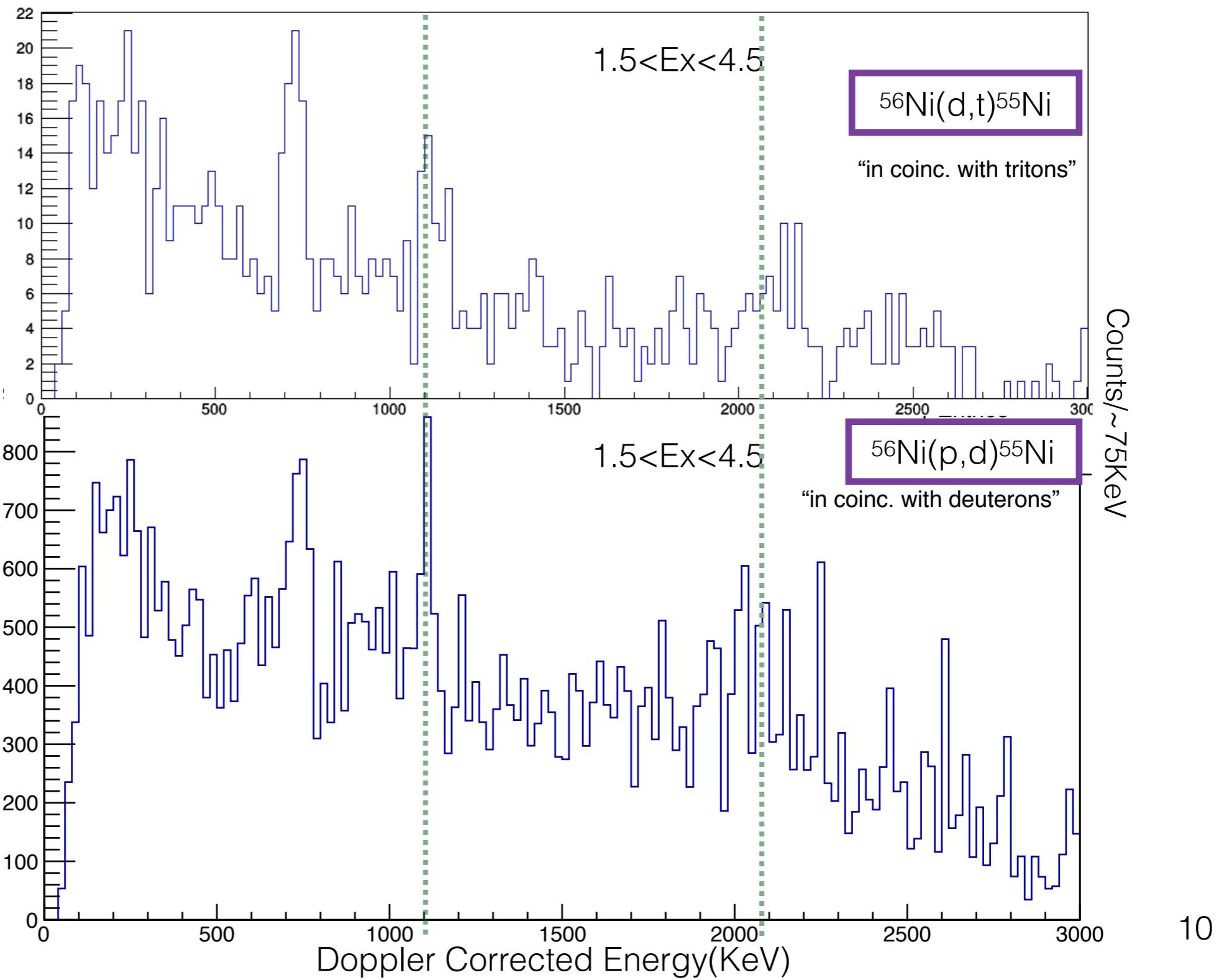
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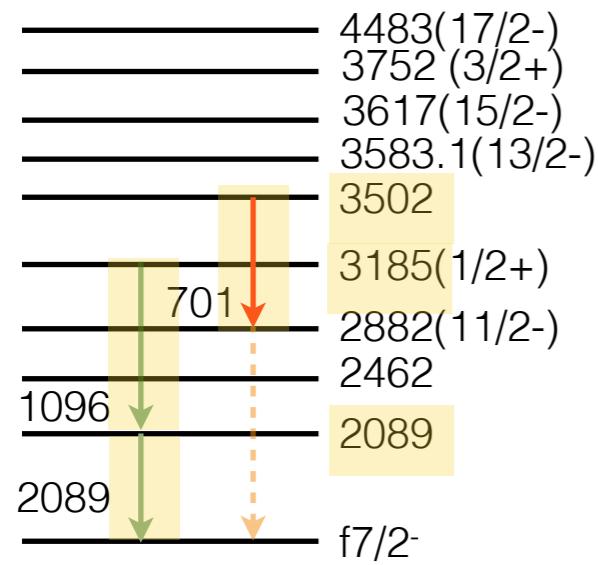
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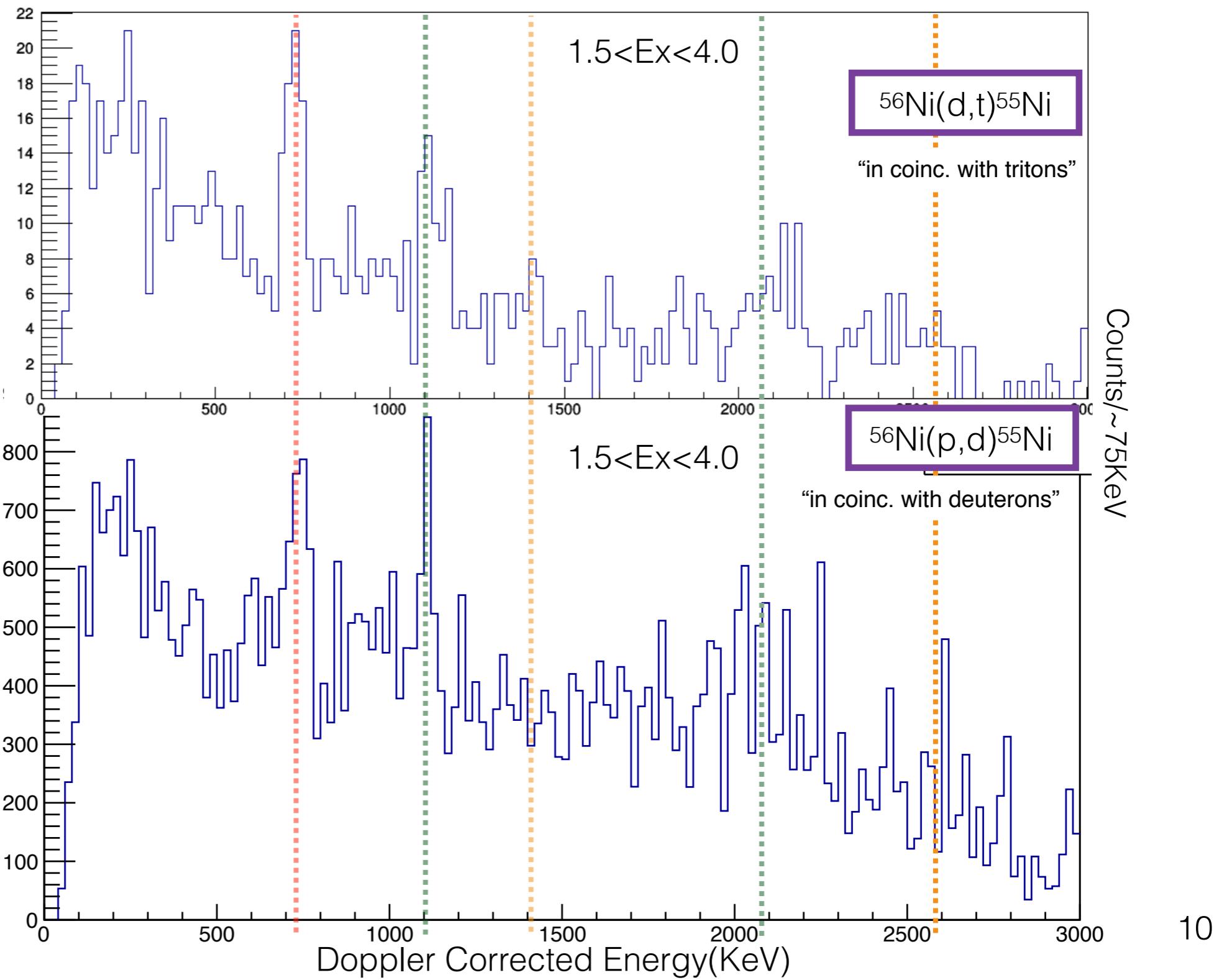


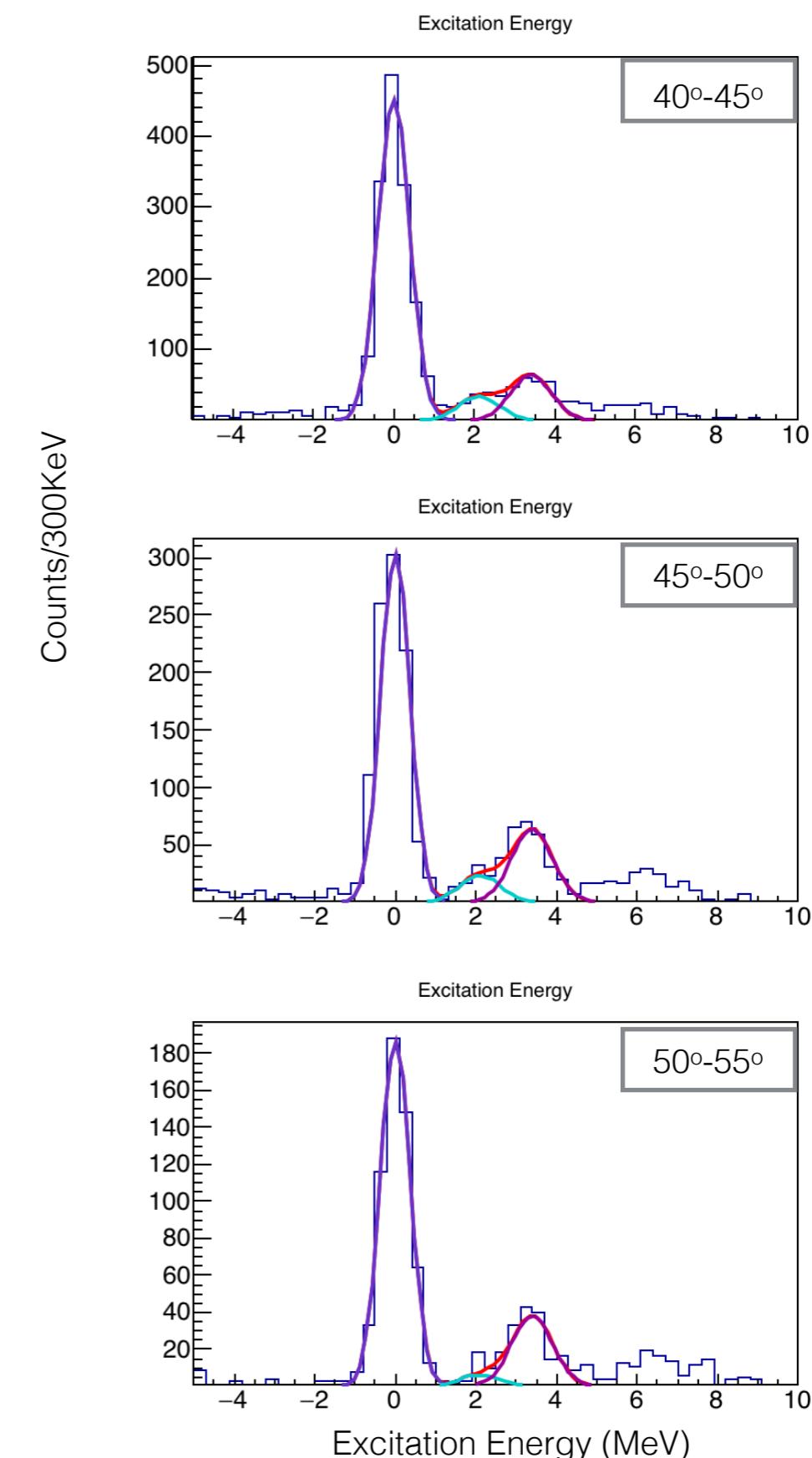
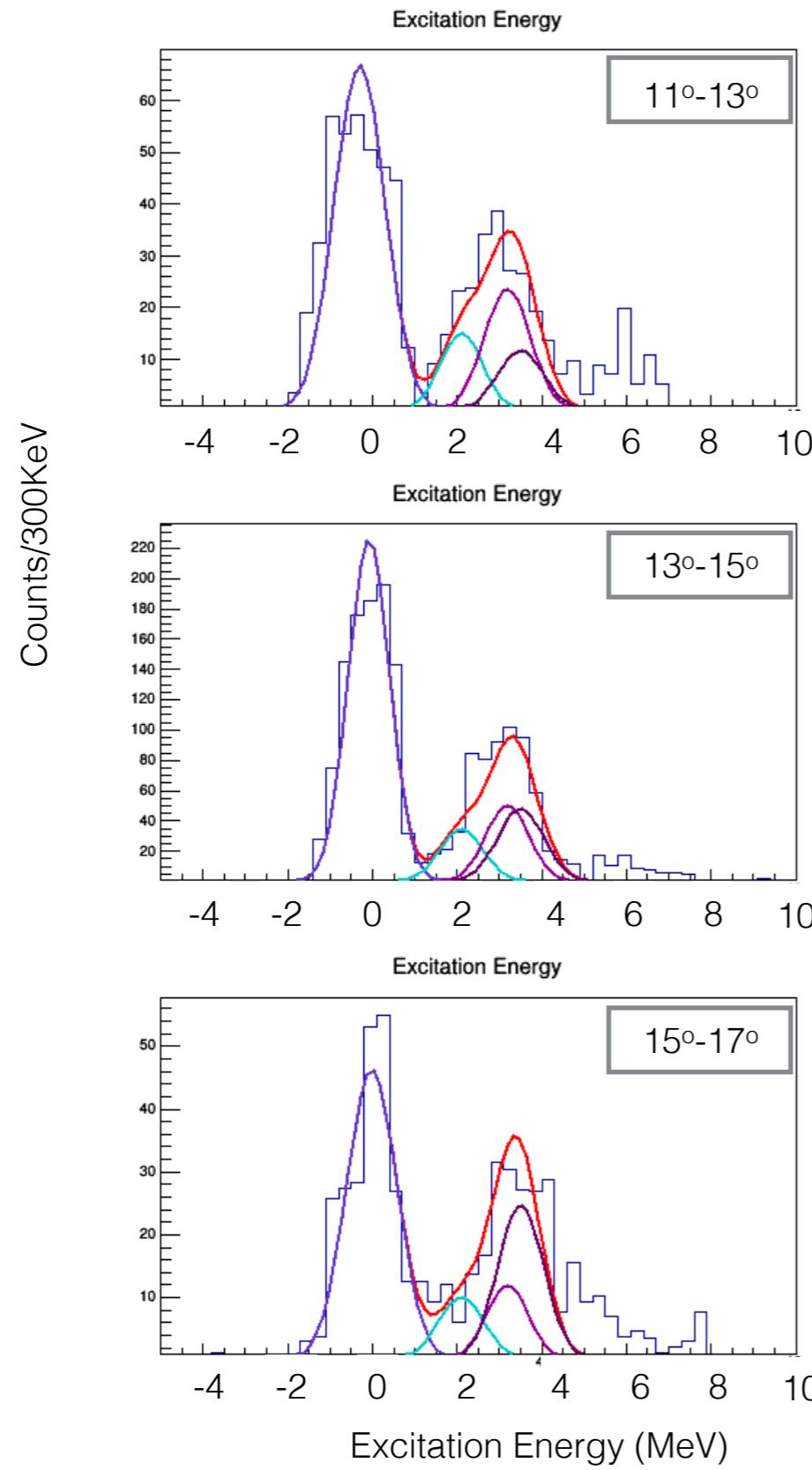
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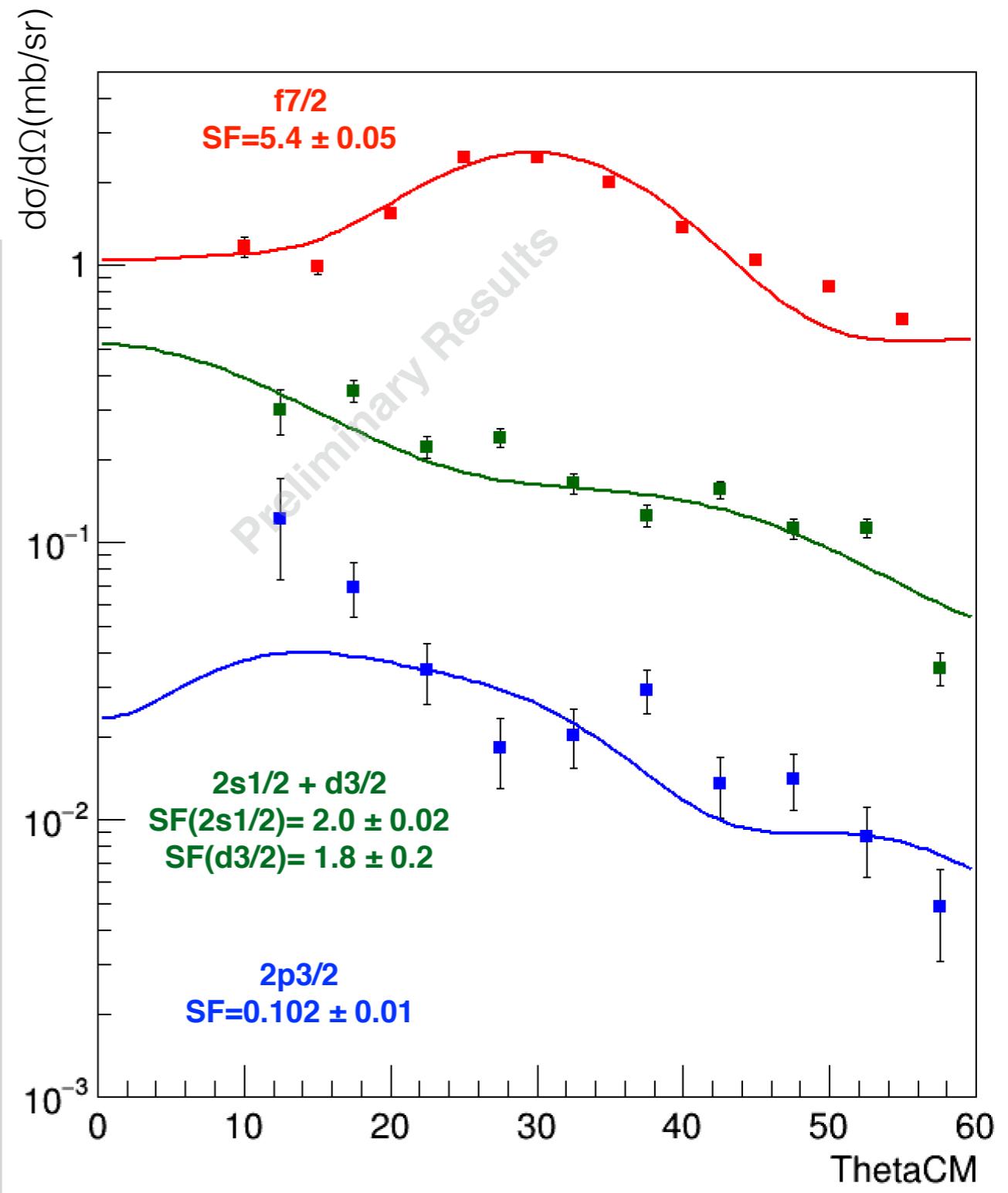
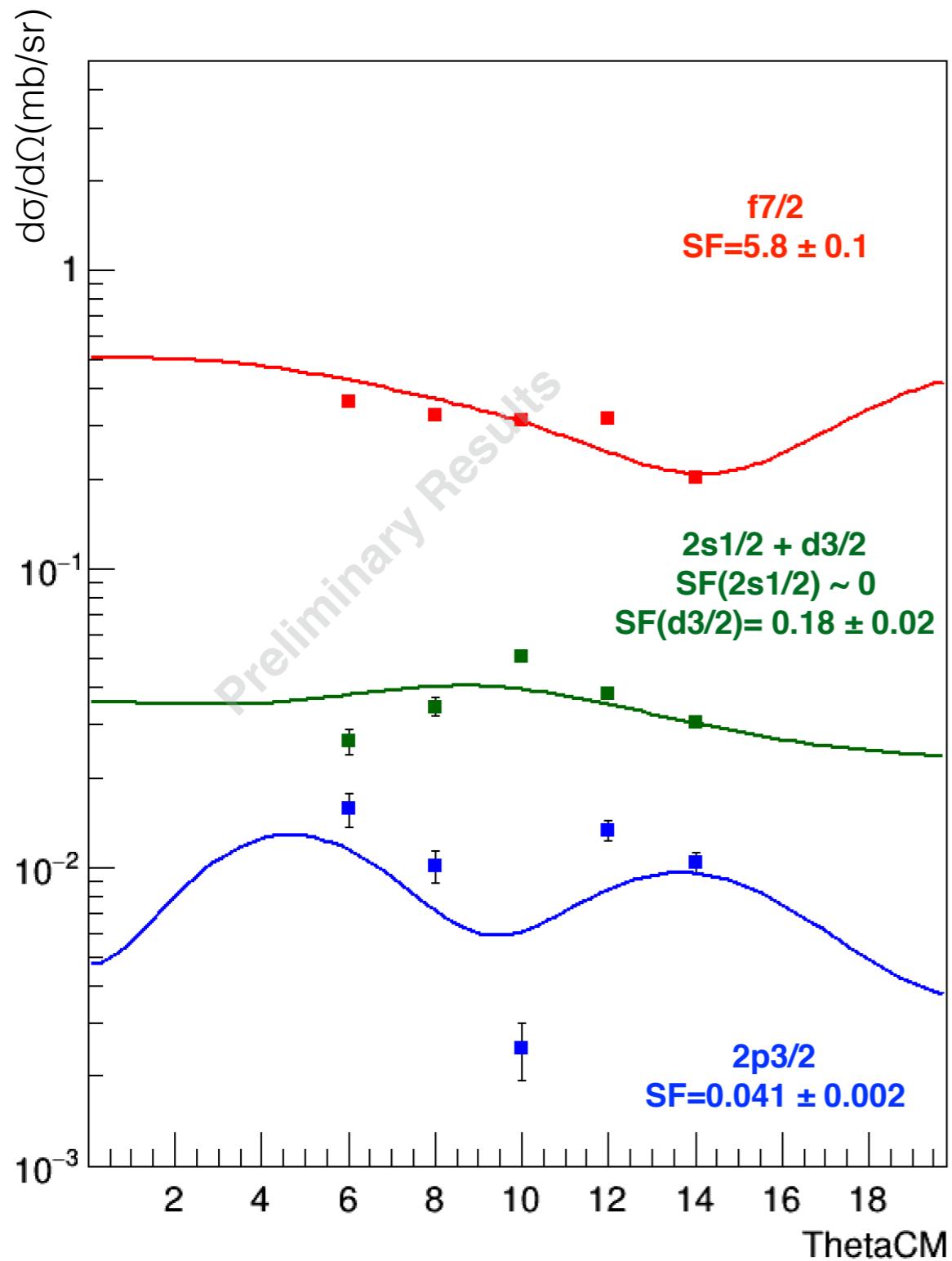
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*Particle-Gamma coincidences for different angles in the theta in centre of mass*

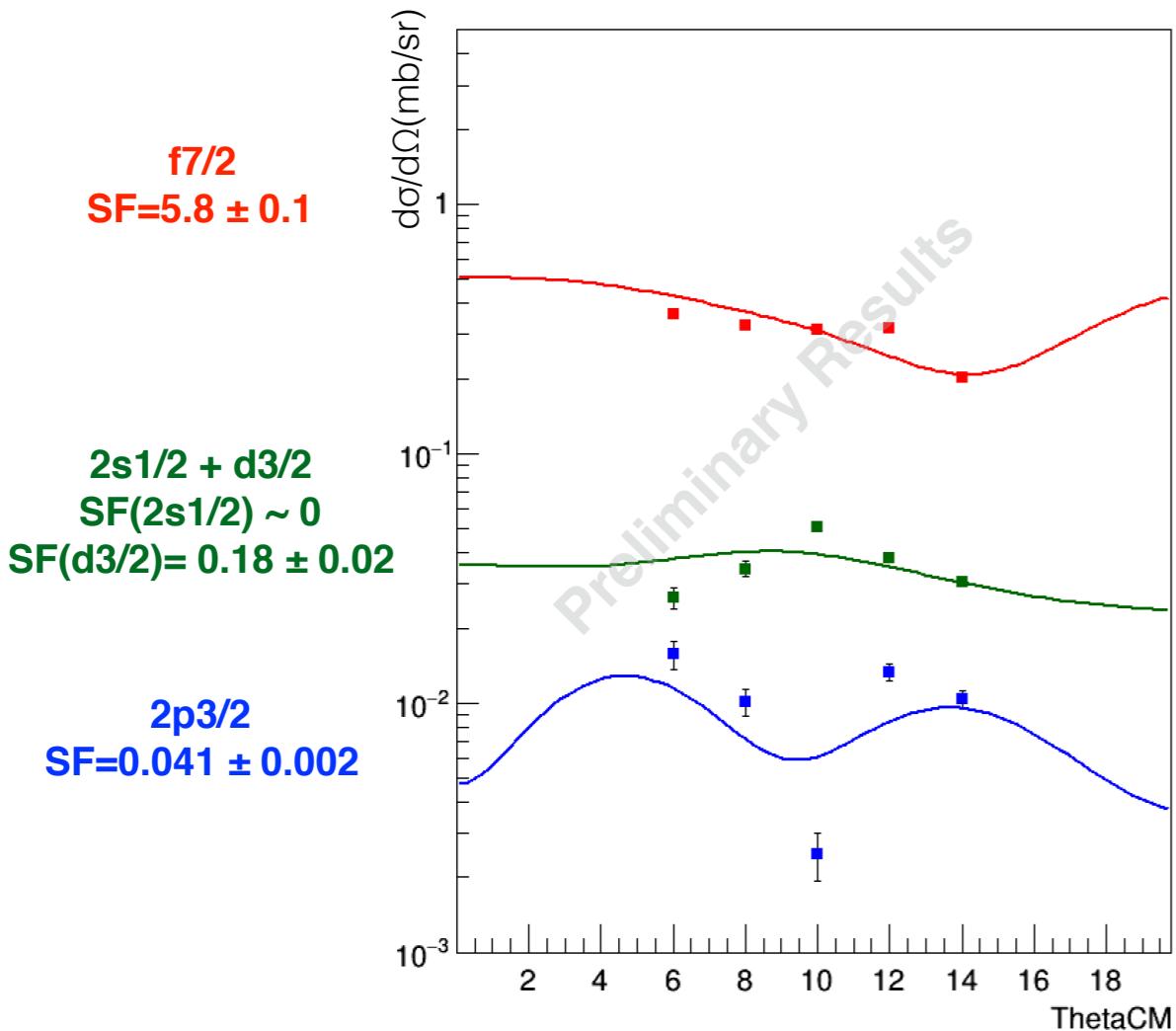


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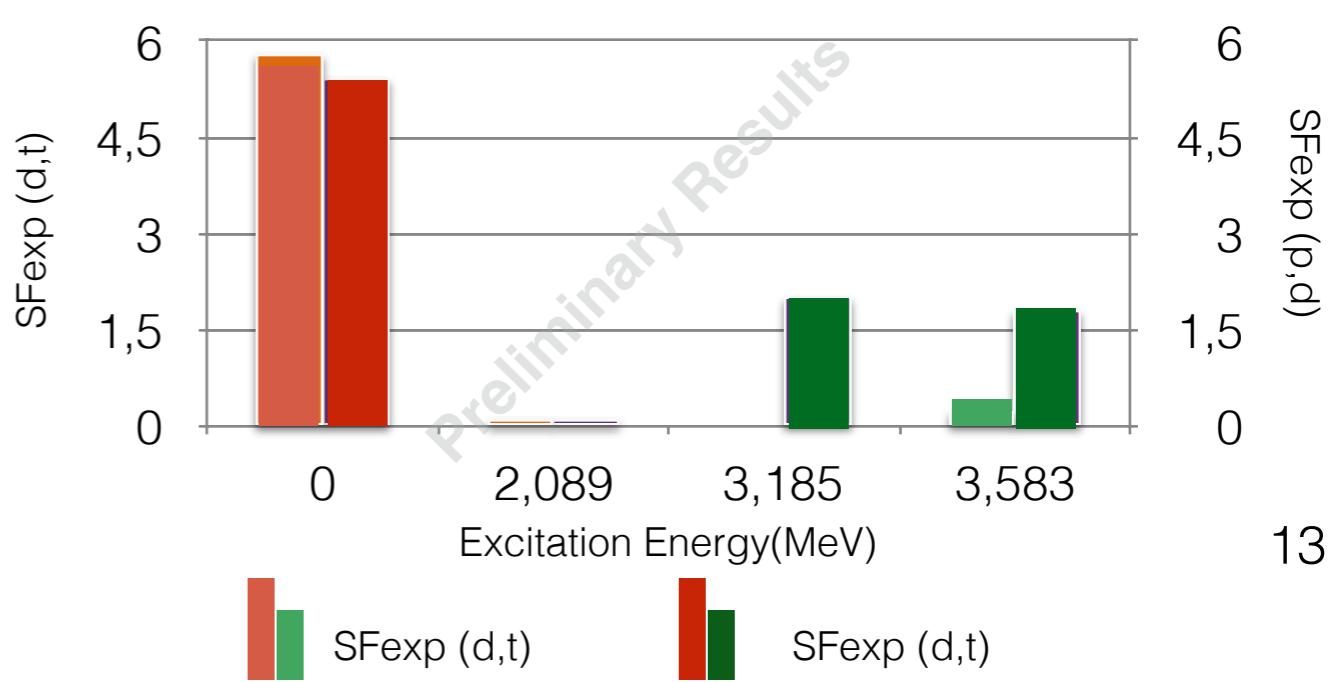
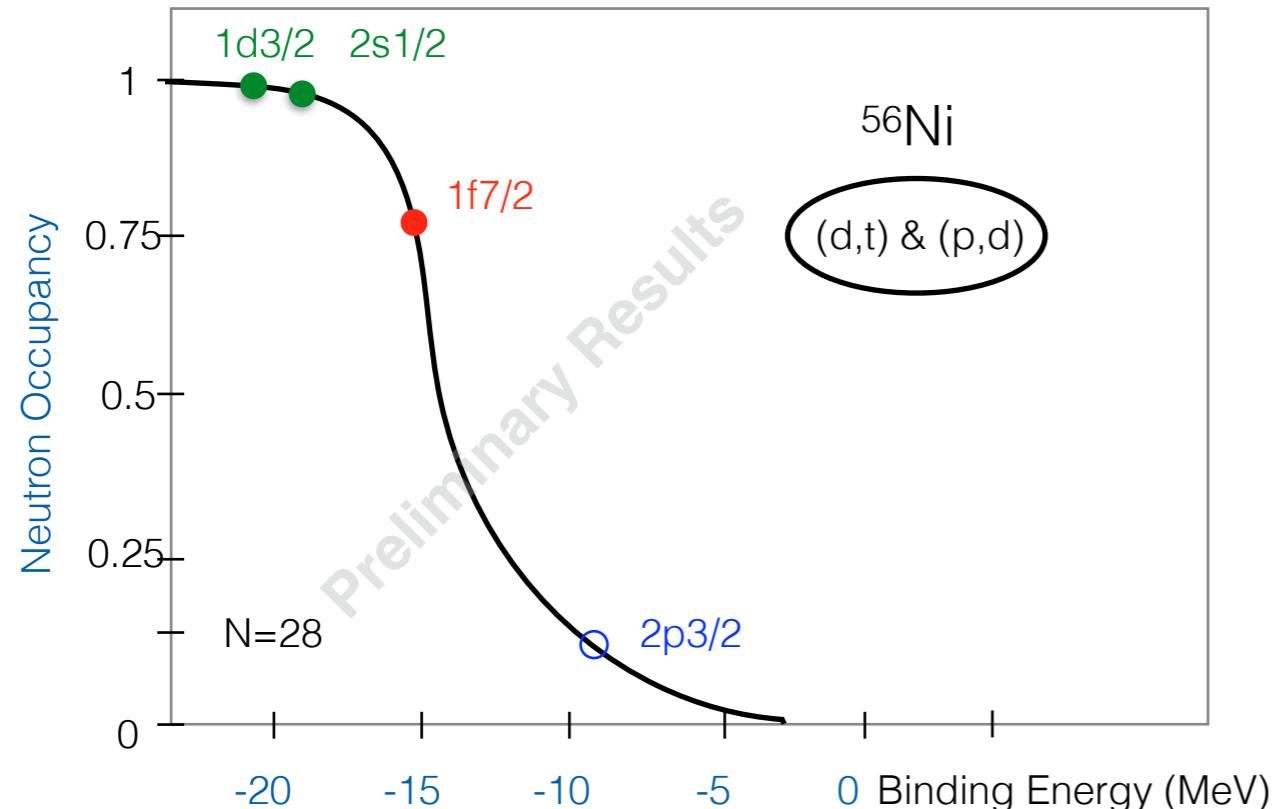
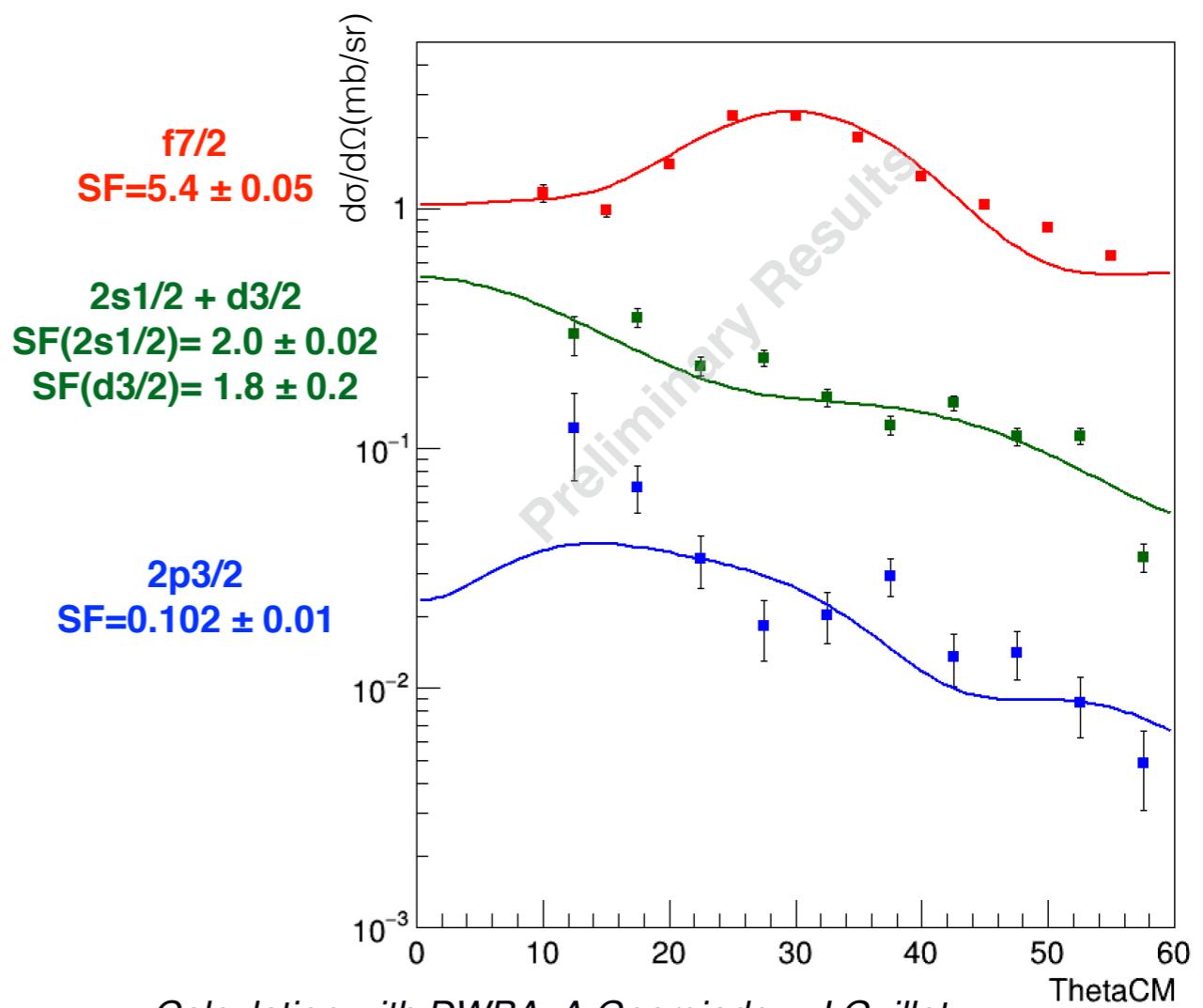
— Potential for  $t$  used by Pang et al.

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## $^{56}\text{Ni}(\text{d},\text{t})^{55}\text{Ni}$



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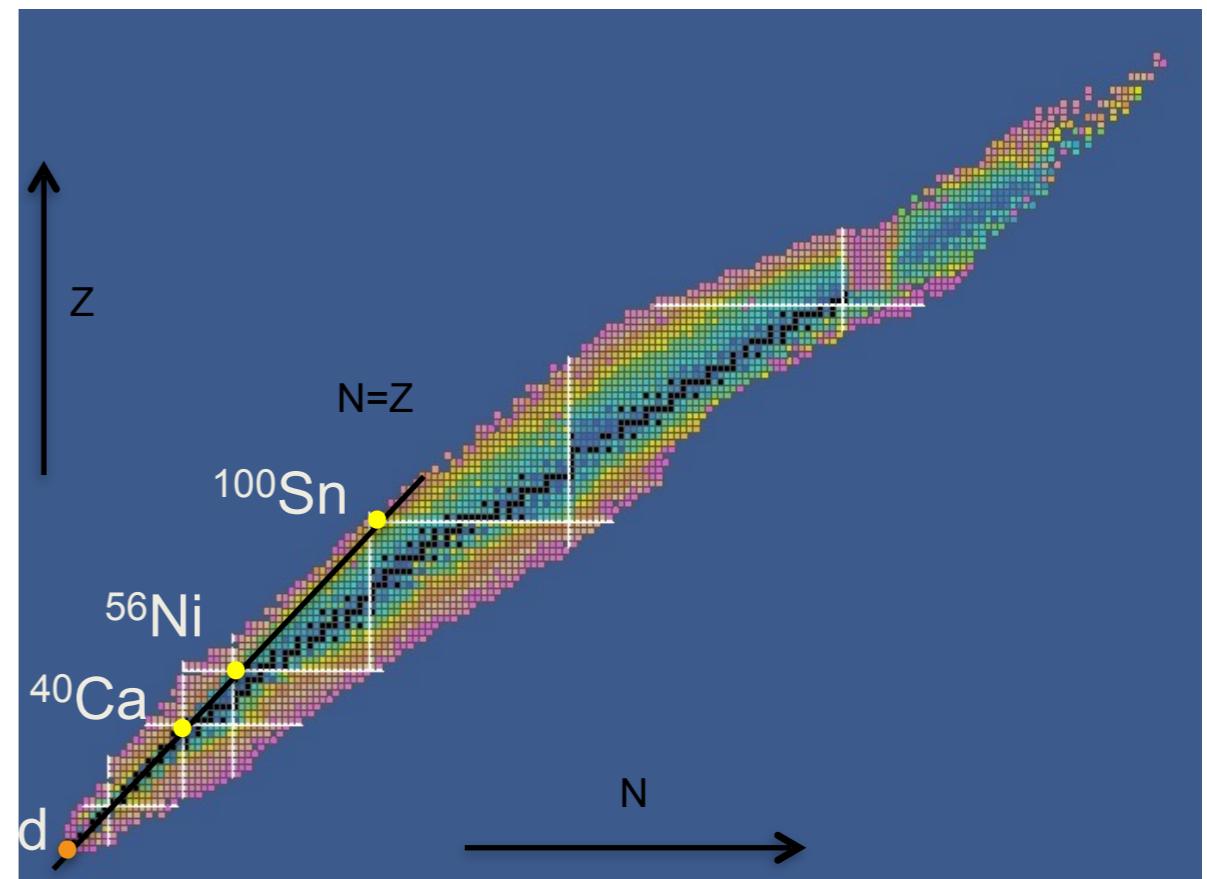


## *II. Two nucleon transfer reaction*

# Pairing in the nuclei?

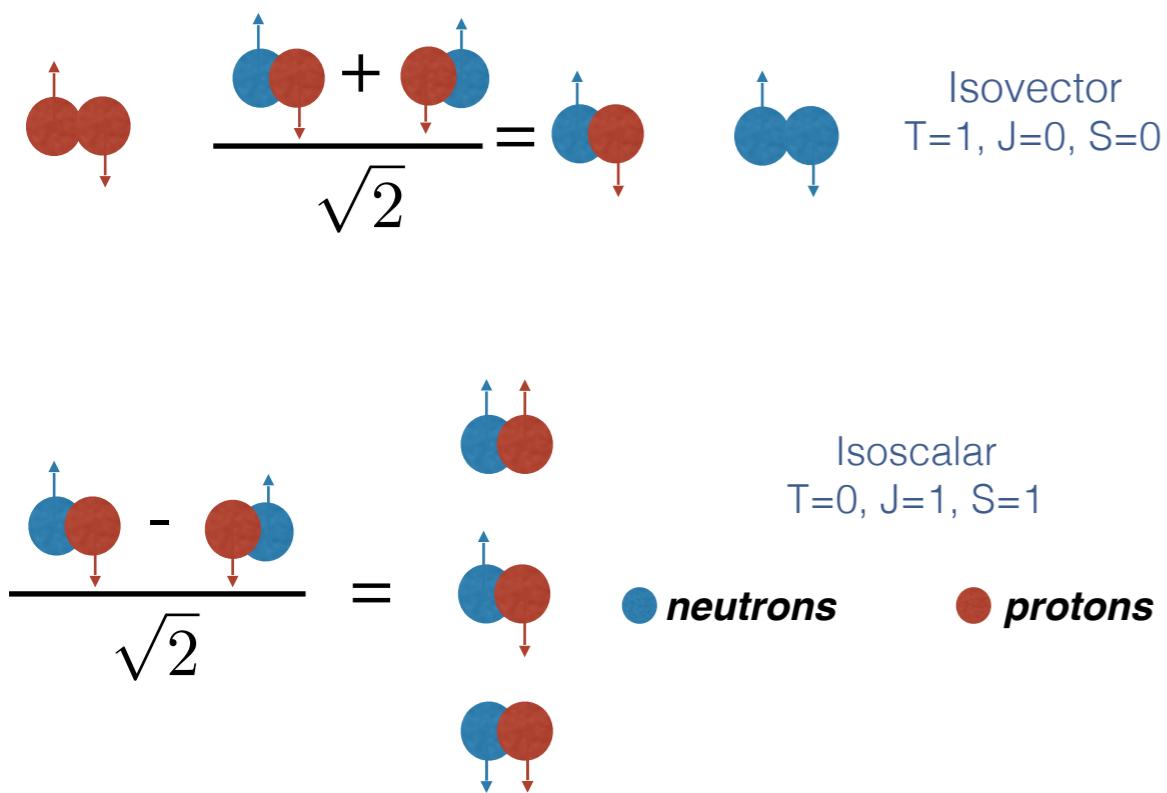
From Theory: n-p pairing may be important in  $N=Z$  nuclei with high  $J$  valence. $^{56}\text{Ni}$  : the  $N=Z$  nucleus for which we can do transfer and study np pairing

- For nuclei with  $N \neq Z$ , nn and pp pairs are favoured.
- In the case of nuclei with  $N \approx Z$ , n and p occupy the same shell model orbit.



Large spatial overlap of the wave functions of proton and neutron in  $N=Z$  nuclei.

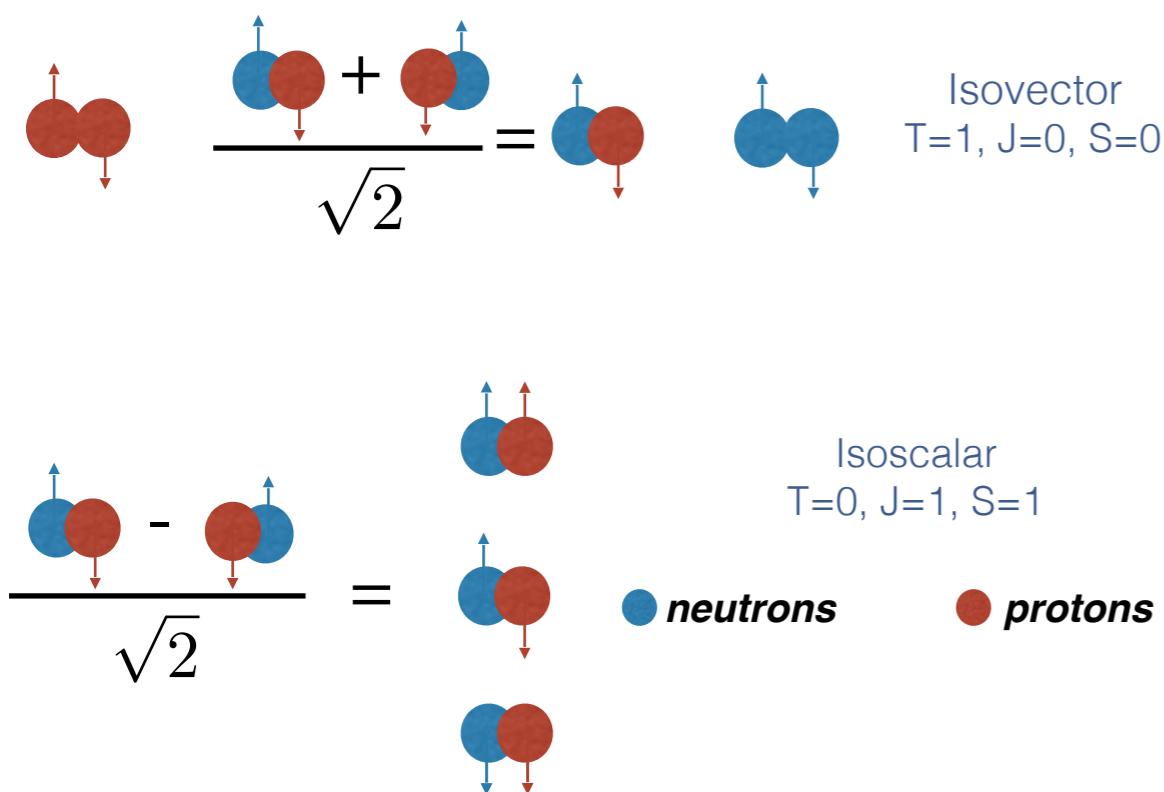
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## Why transfer?

- **transfer is proportional to the number of pairs**
- $\sigma(0+)/\sigma(1+)$  gives the relative strength of  $T=1/T=0$  pairing
- Role of isoscalar ( $T=0$ ) and isovector ( $T=1$ ) pairing
  - **Pairing vibrations** (normal system)
  - **Pairing rotations** (superfluid system)
  - **Isoscalar pairing** and **collective modes**

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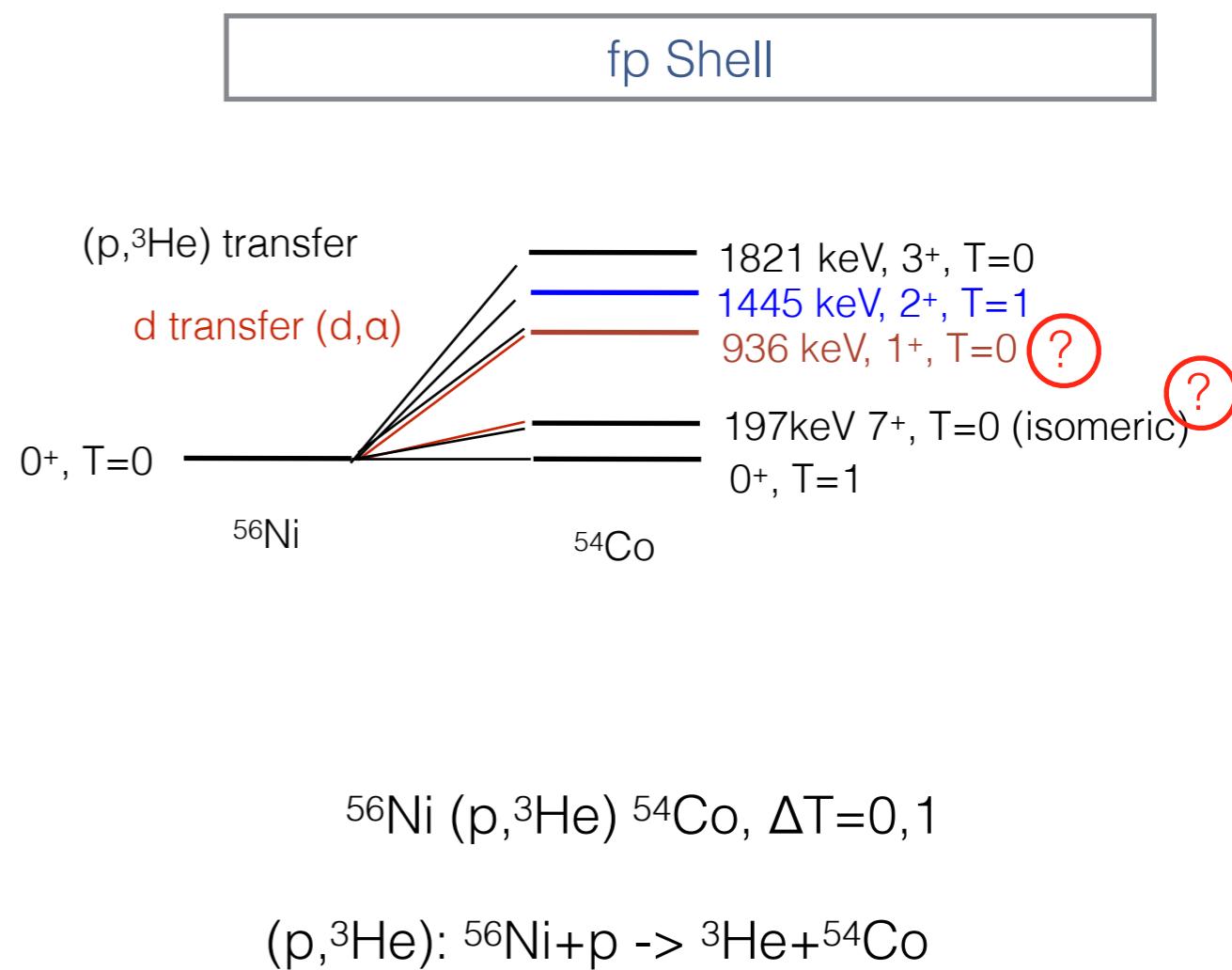
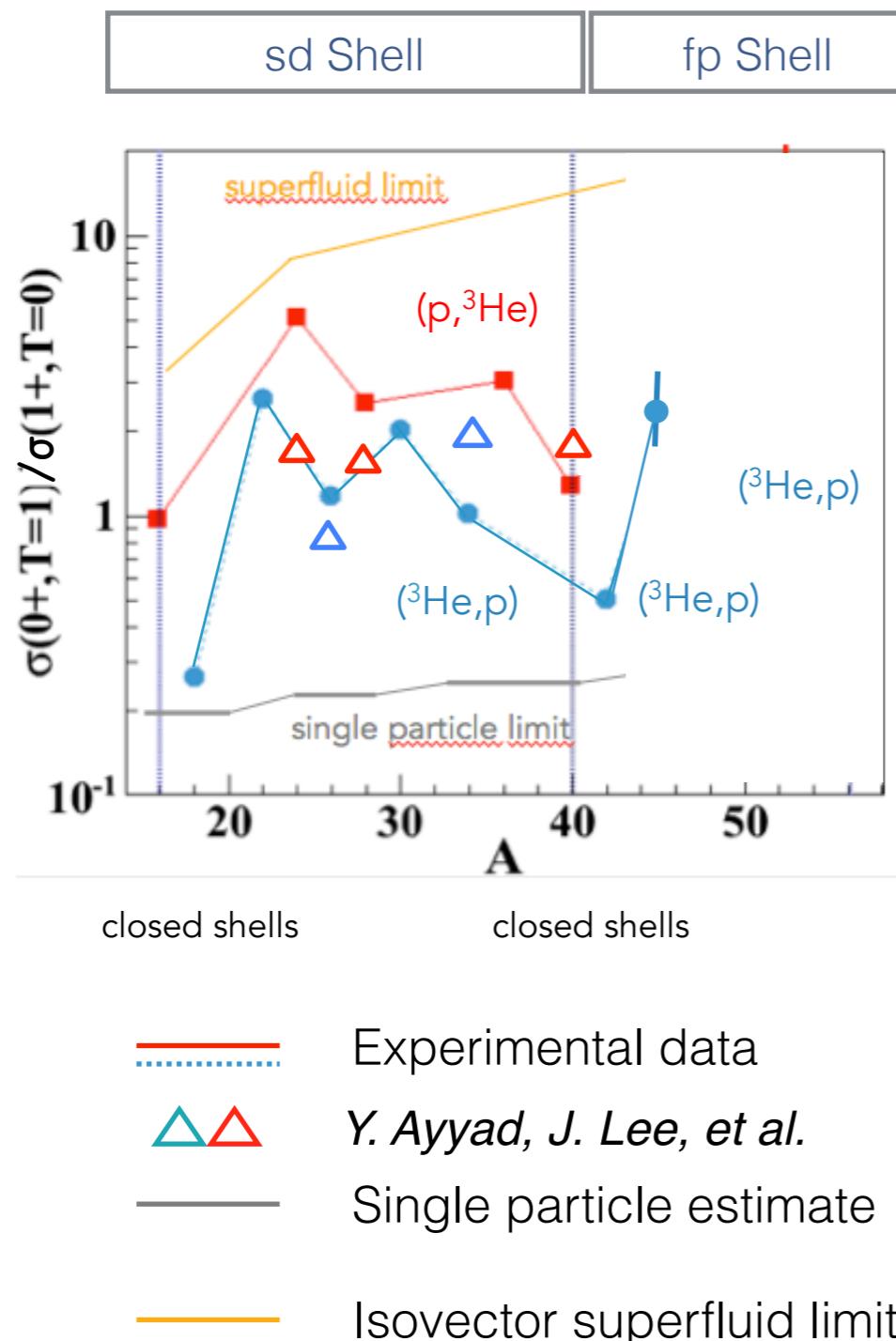


Diagram depicting the 2-nucleon transfer cross-sections ratio measured until today.

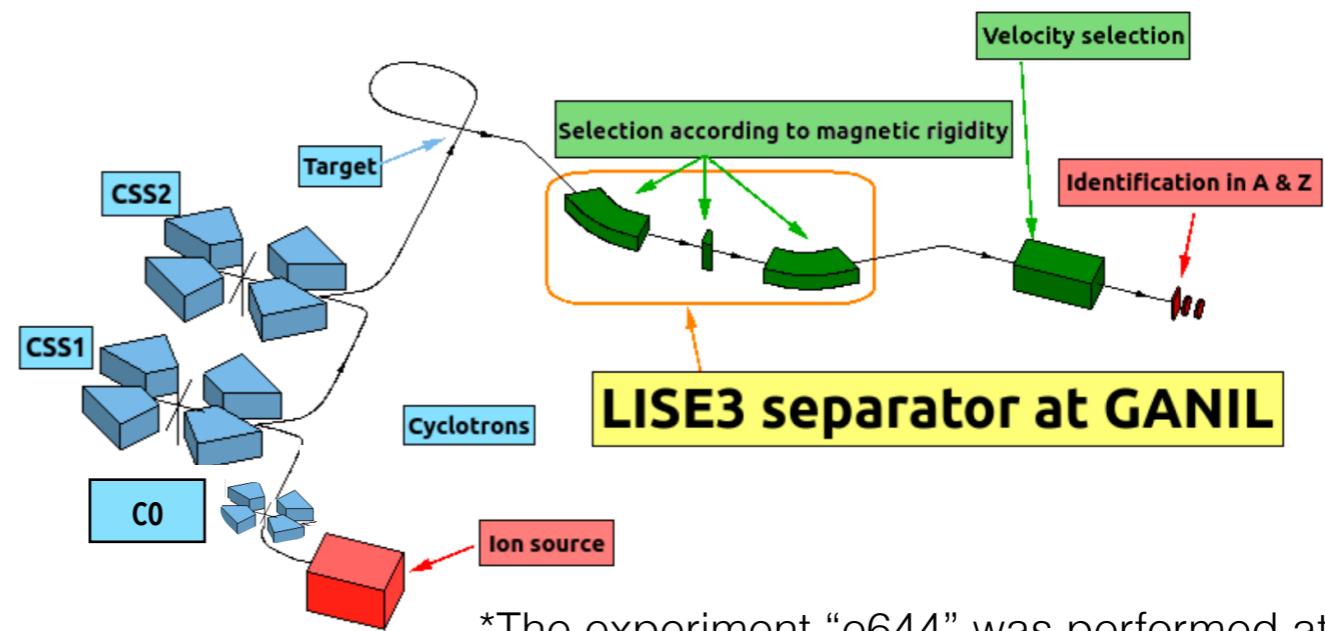
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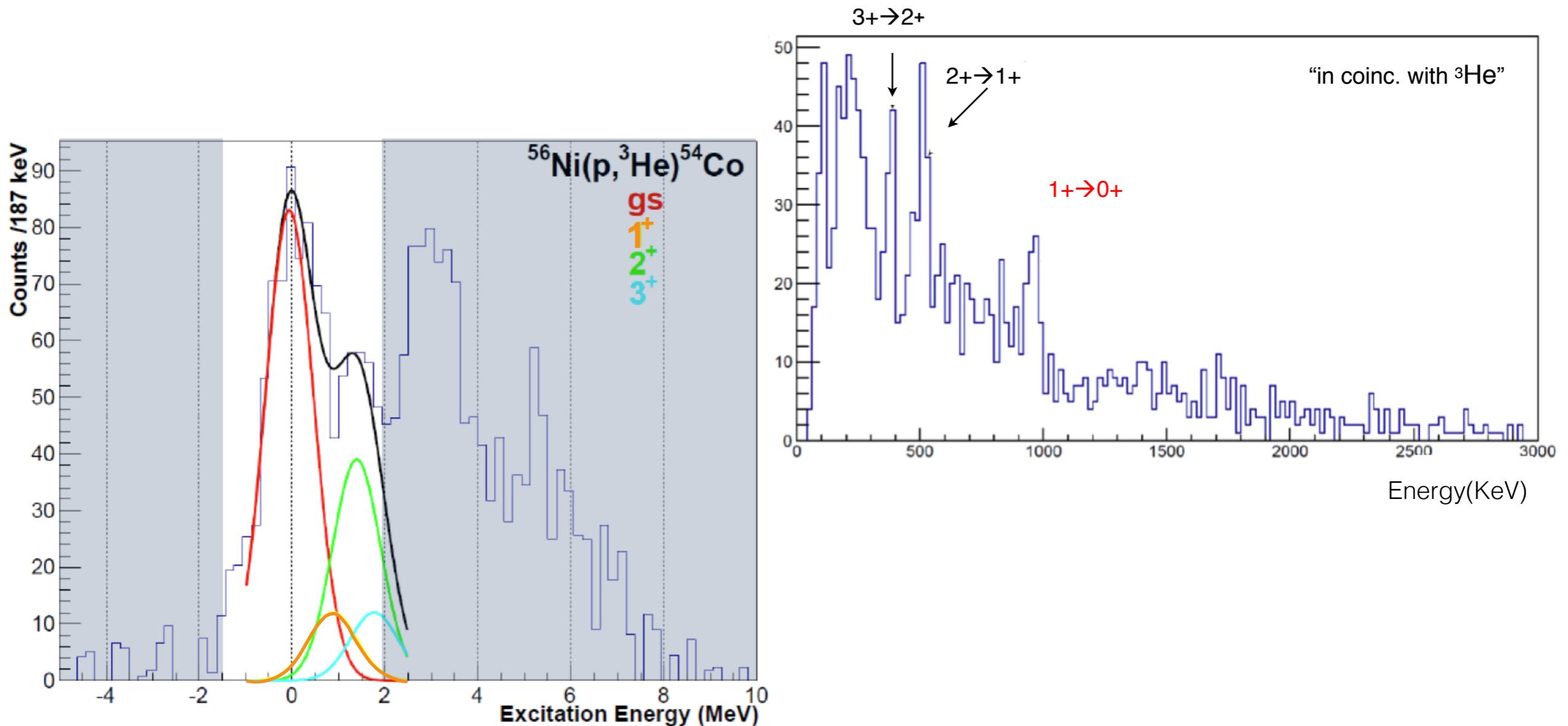
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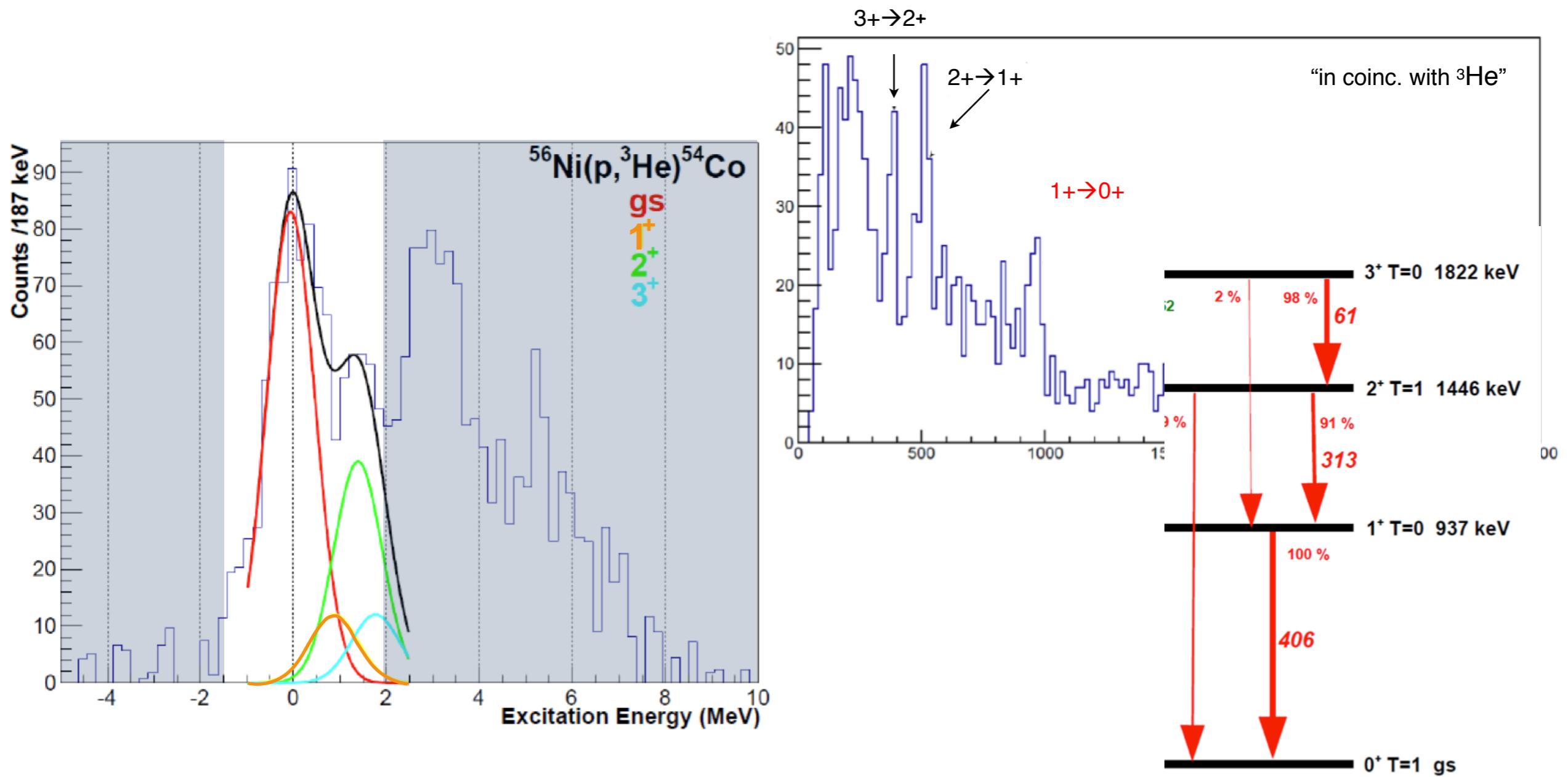
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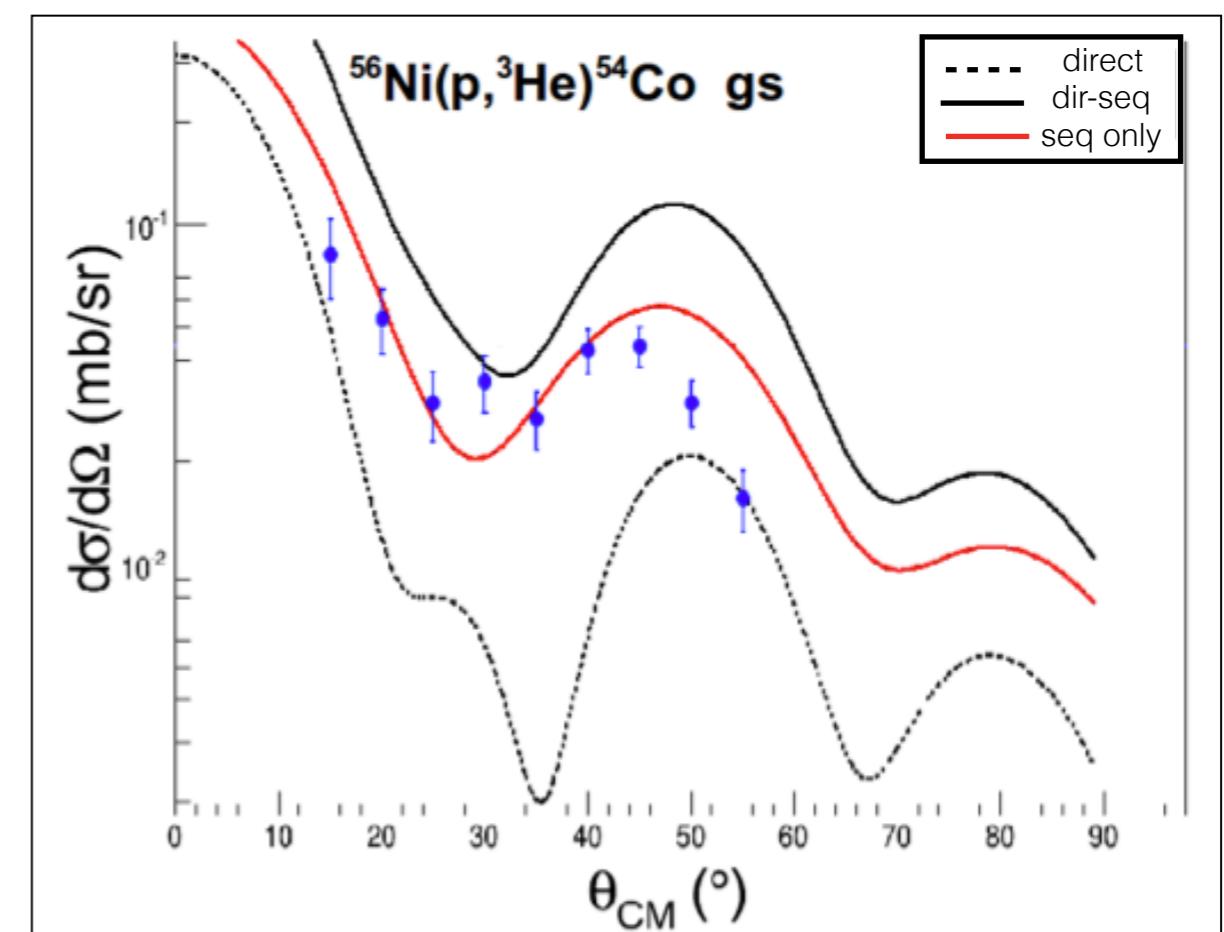
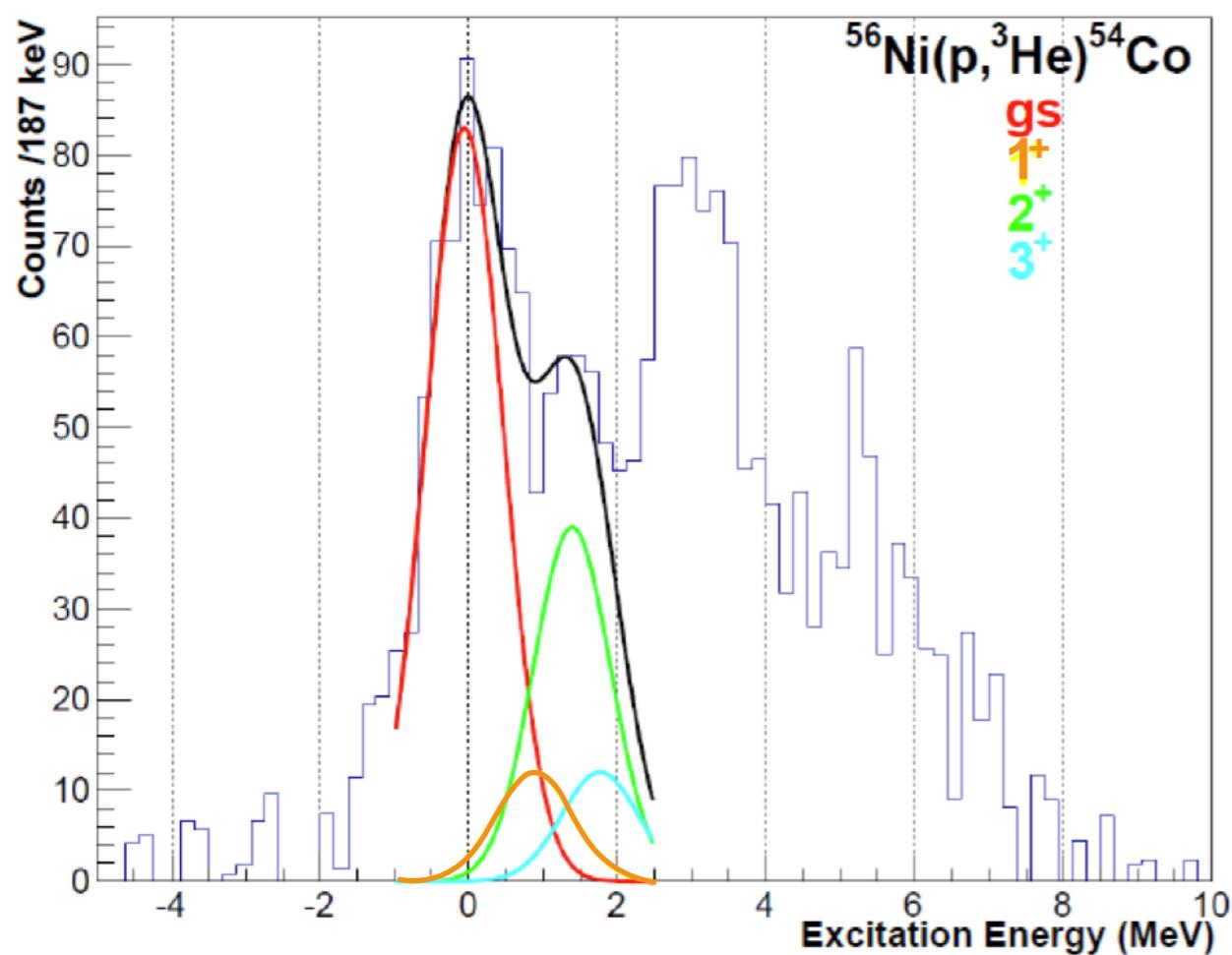


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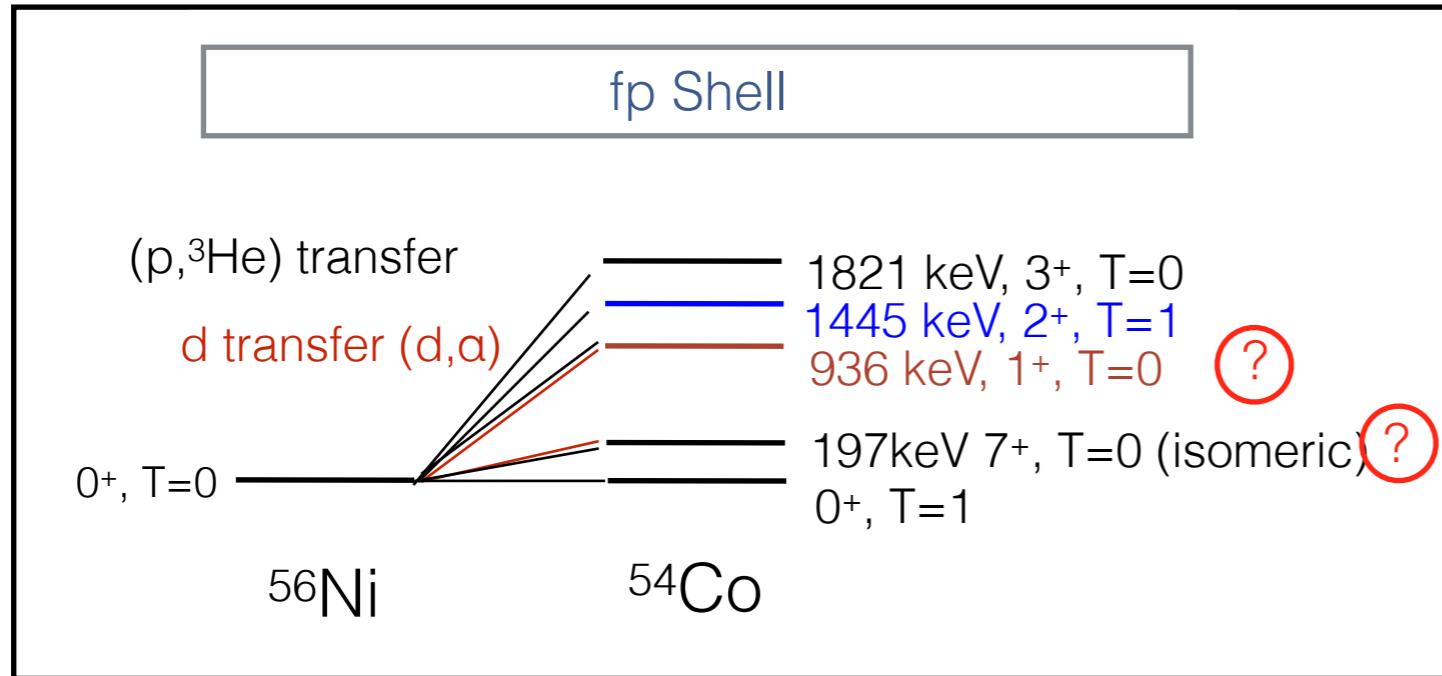
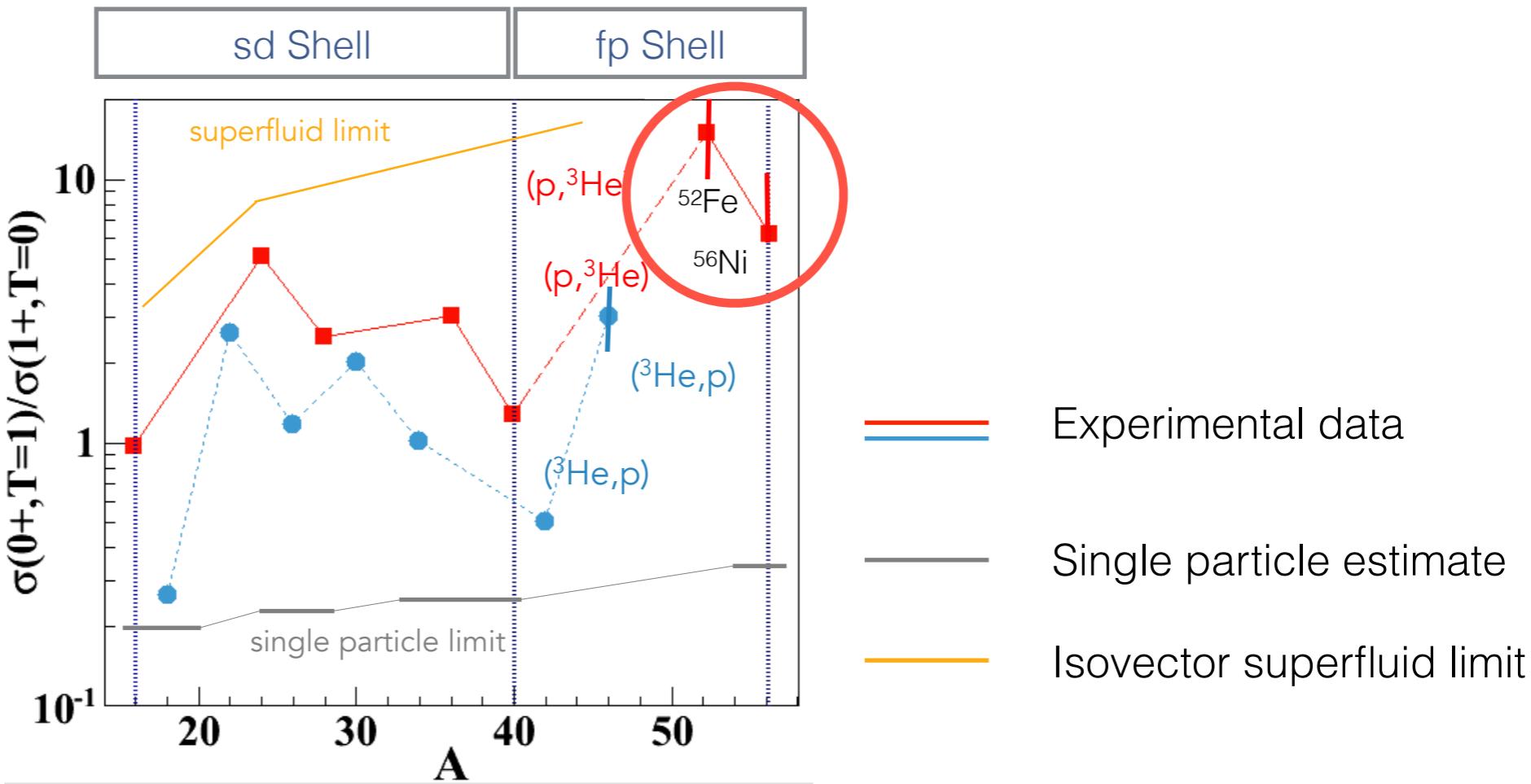
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$^{54}\text{Co}$

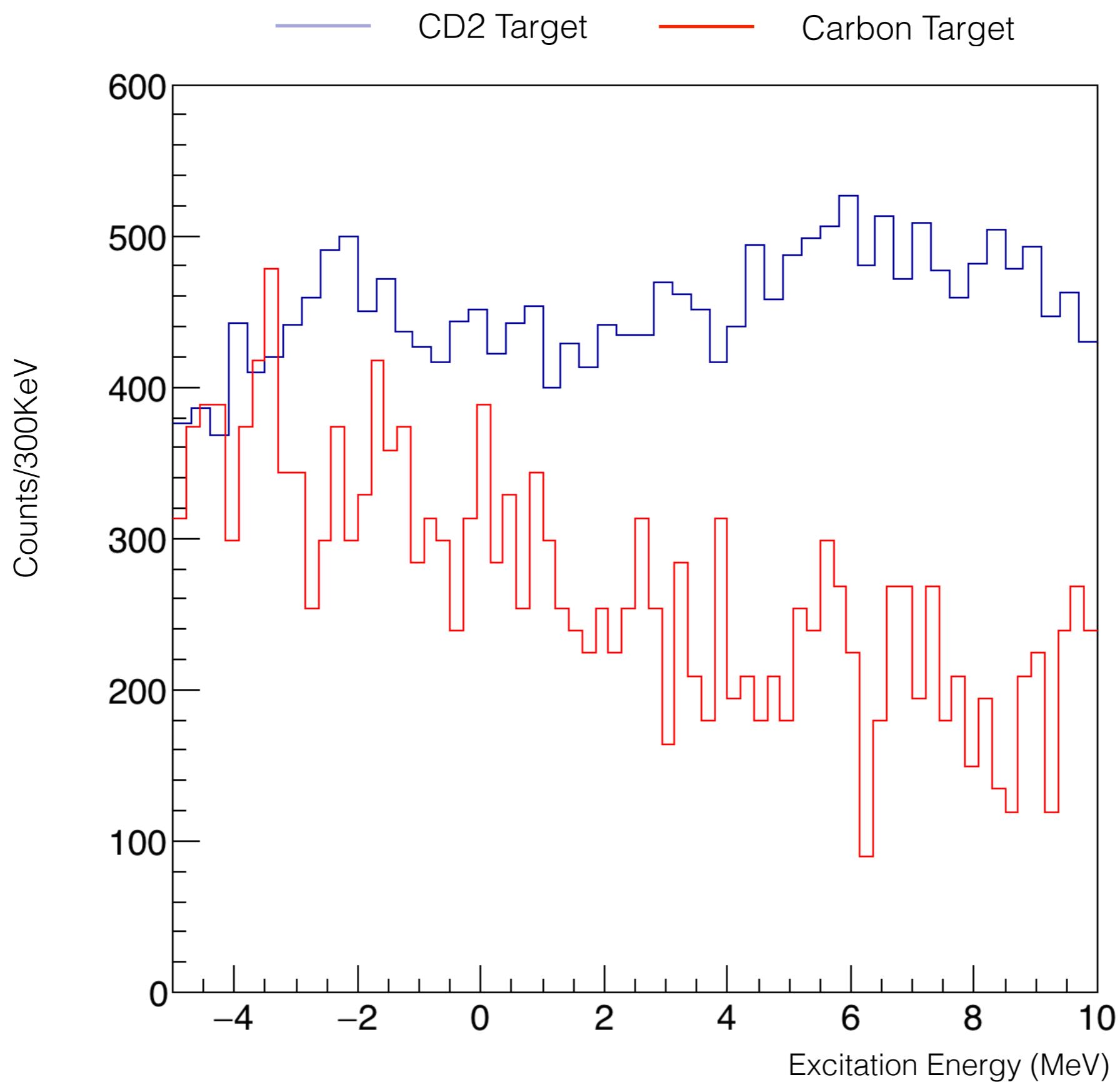


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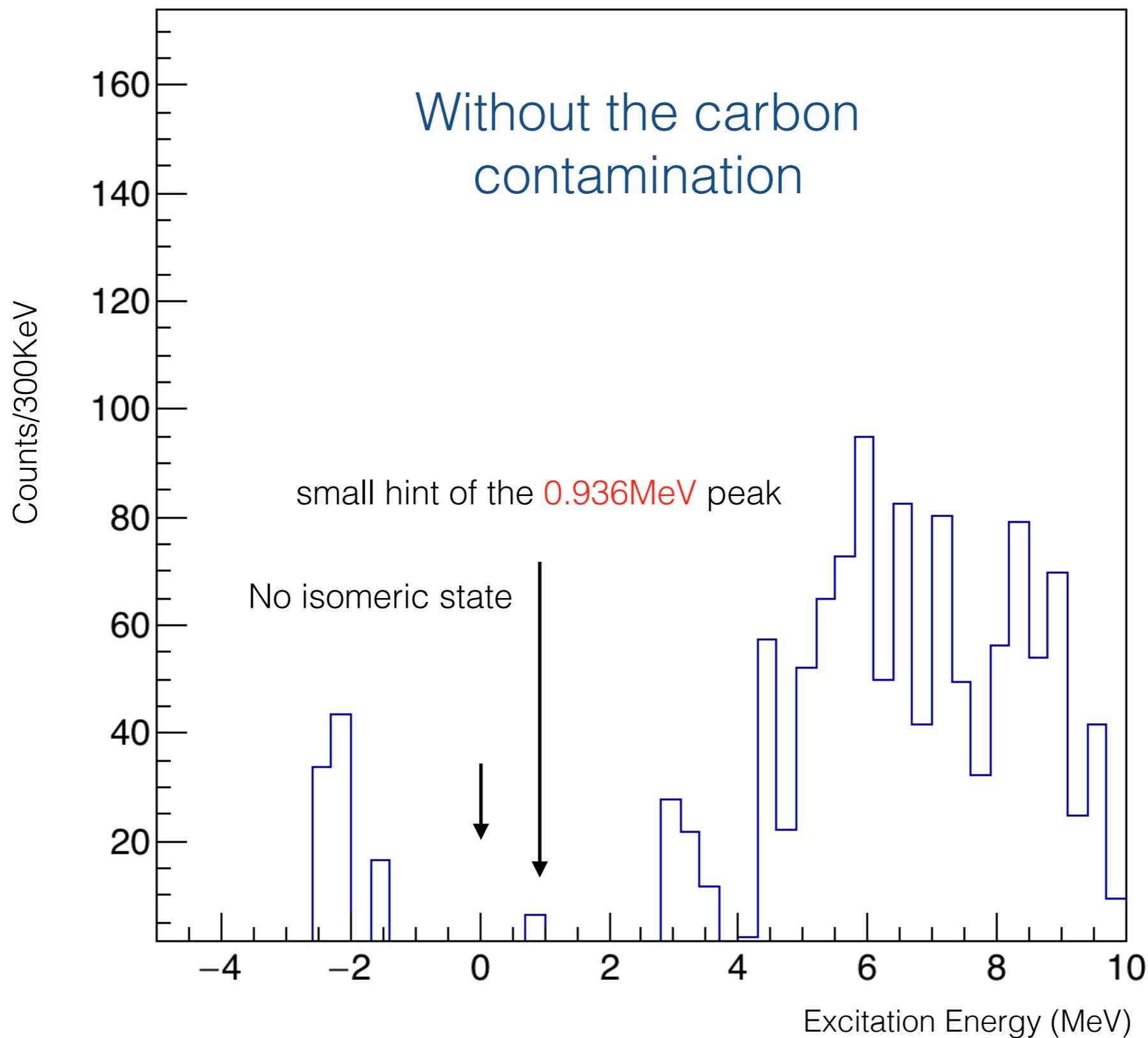


$^{56}\text{Ni} (\text{p},{}^3\text{He}) {}^{54}\text{Co}, \Delta T=0,1 ^*$   
gives the ratio  $\frac{T=1}{T=0} = 6.3^{+2.8}_{-0.8} ^*$

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CD2 Target Events



## One-nucleon Transfer

- The  $(d,t)$  &  $(p,d)$  reaction adds information about the shell closure *in the N=28 region*.
- In addition we *enrich the level scheme of  $^{55}\text{Ni}$* .

## Two-nucleon Transfer

- For both the  $^{56}\text{Ni}$  and  $^{52}\text{Fe}$  we add *new measurements in the fp shell*.
- The  $(d,a)$  gives very low statistics around the expected 0.936MeV peak that would reveal the T=0 isoscalar pairing. Nevertheless, it *adds new information about higher energies* that used to be explained as T=1 isovector state, and might reveal a mixture of isospin states.

# THANK YOU

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