

Study of the $A=9$ $T=3/2$
isobaric quartet through R-
Matrix analysis of resonance
scattering of analogue states.

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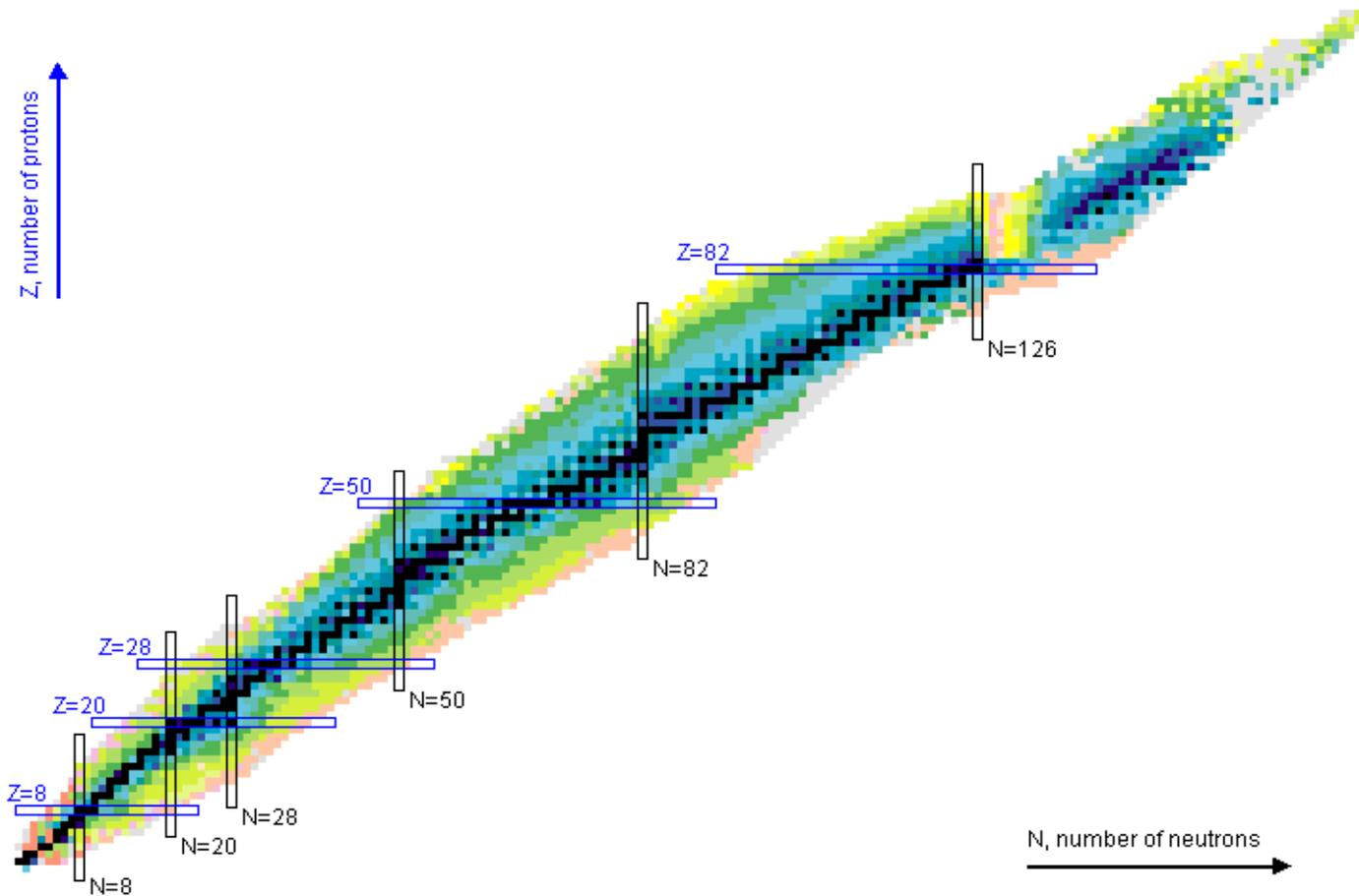
Developing a method of studying the structure of neutron rich nuclei through resonance scattering of their isobaric analogues

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Shell Evolution



Studies of neutron rich nuclei

- Transfer Reactions
- Charge Exchange
- Knock-out Experiments

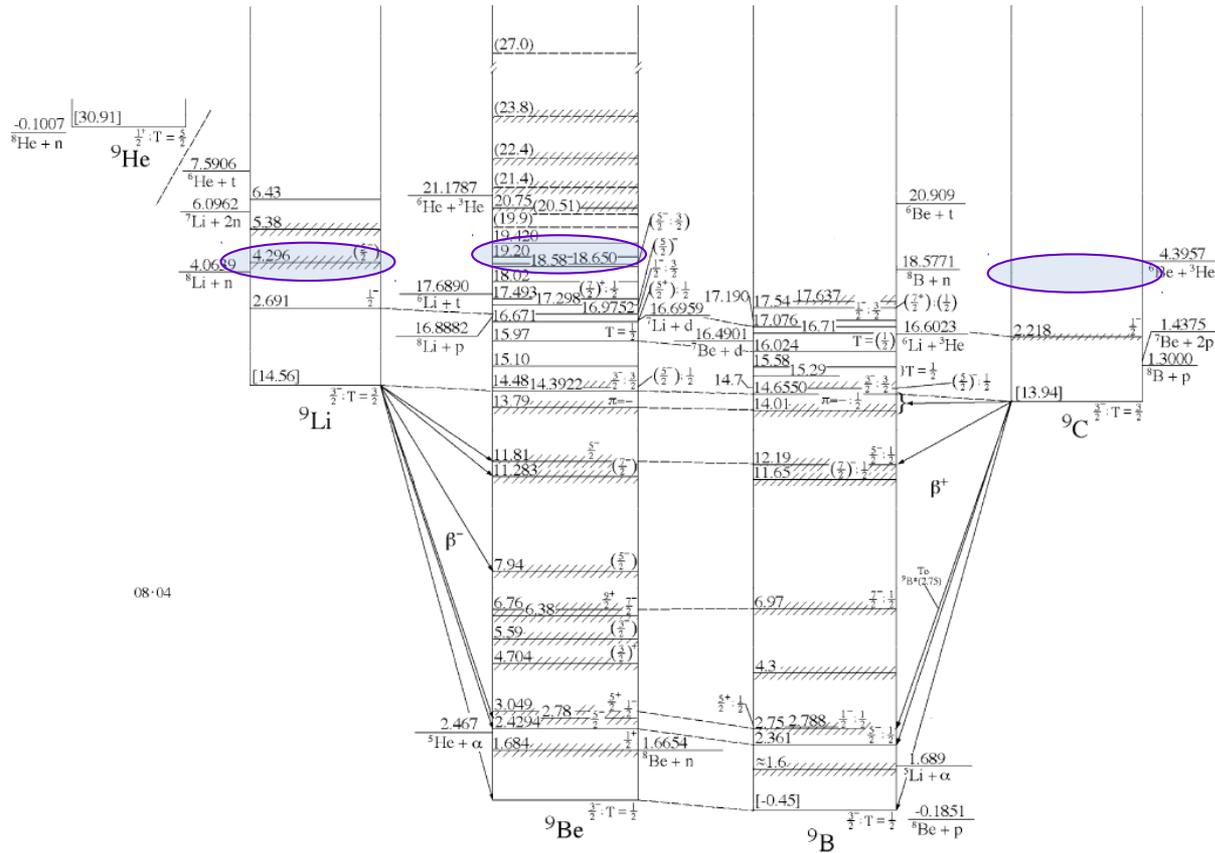
Studies of neutron rich nuclei

- Transfer Reactions
- Charge Exchange
- Knock-out Experiments
- Resonance Scattering could be another technique
 - Can do measurements with Thick Target Inverse Kinematics and use R-Matrix for resonances
 - Direct neutron scattering is not possible
 - Mirror nuclei don't always exist
 - Isobaric analogue states may provide an answer!

Studying nuclei through isobaric analogue states

- The goal is to study neutron rich nuclei through resonant reactions looking at isobaric analogue states
 - Analogous states typically are higher energy excited states found within a sea of lower isospin states.
 - However the higher isospin states are typically much narrower than the lower isospin states due to being locked out of isospin forbidden decays
- Analysis would use a combination of R-Matrix for higher isospin states in the region of interest and the Optical Model for the lower isospin states

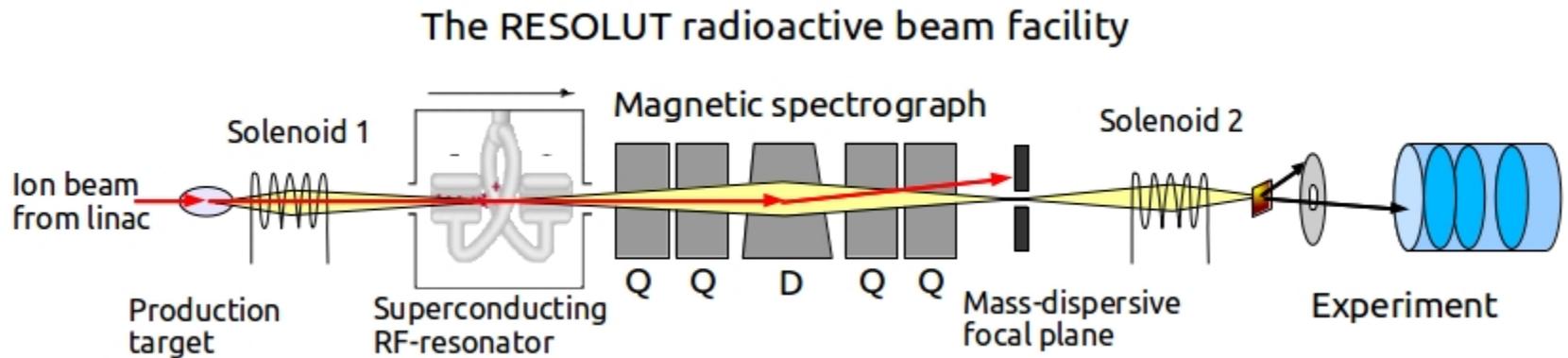
A = 9, T = 3/2 Quartet



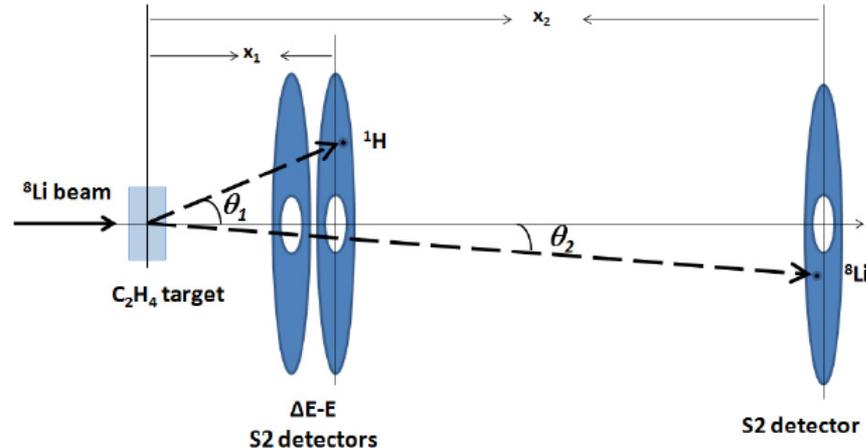
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$^8\text{Li} + \text{p}$ experiment at FSU

- ^7Li beam from the Linear Accelerator

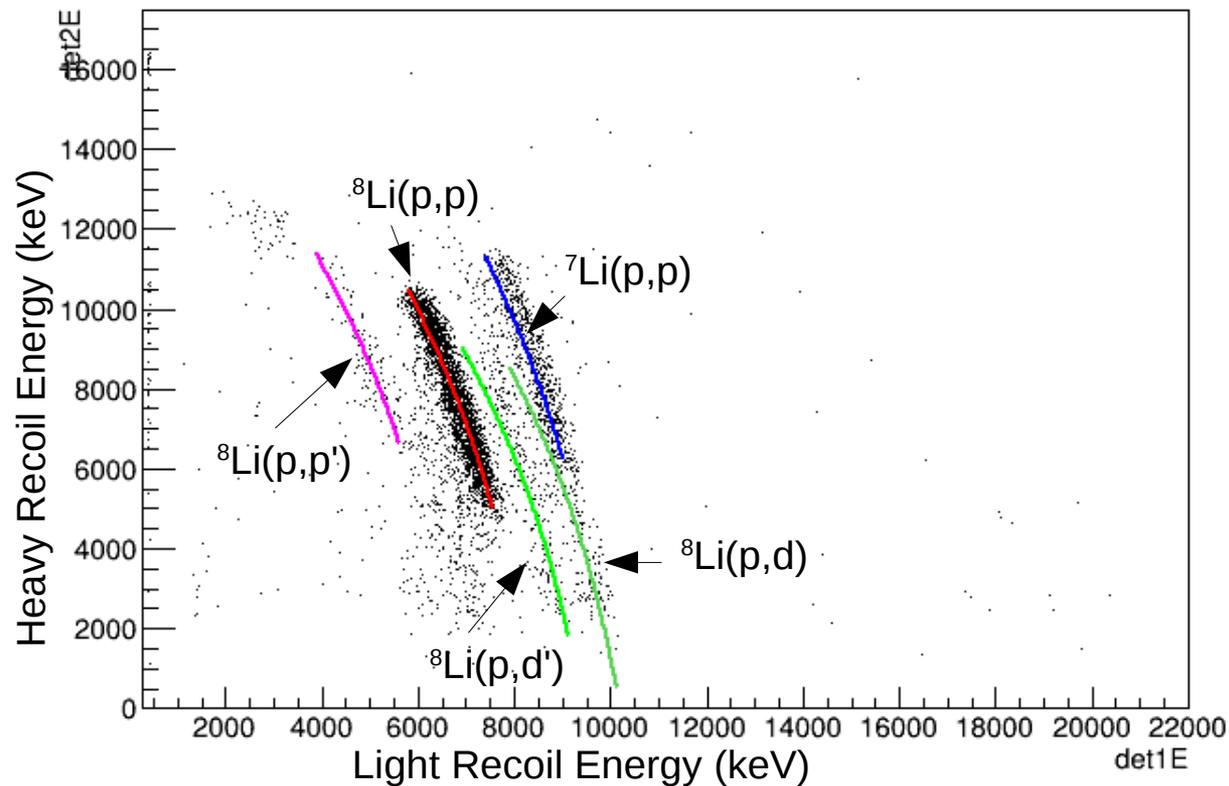


- ^8Li beam energies of 25, 22 and 18 MeV
- CH_2 target thickness of 5.5 , 4.13 and 2.75 mg/cm^2



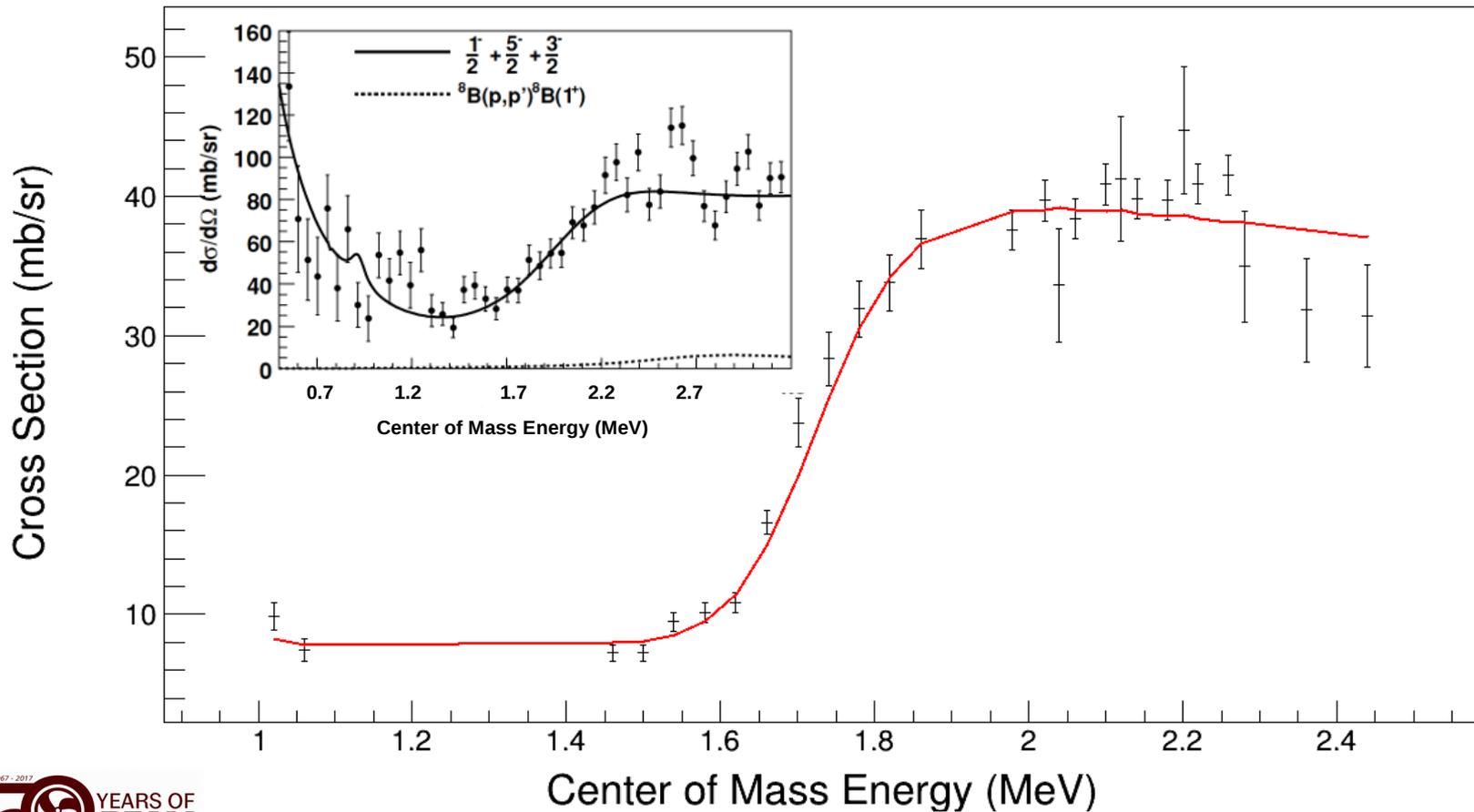
$^8\text{Li}(p,p)$ Analysis [Identification of Reactions]

- The light and heavy recoil detectors allowed for easy determination of reactions present in the data



$^8\text{Li}(p,p)$ Analysis

[$^8\text{Li}(p,p)$ Excitation Function]



$^8\text{Li}(p,p)$ Analysis

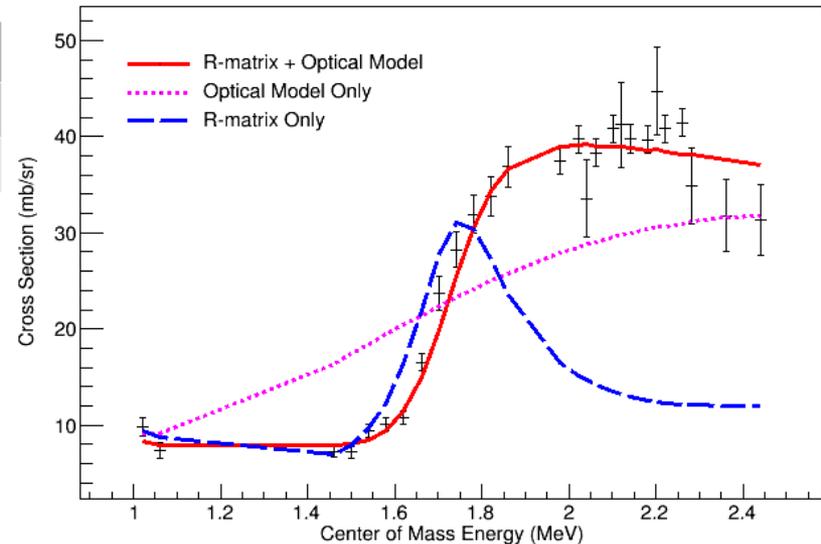
[$^8\text{Li}(p,p)$ Excitation Function]

R-Matrix Parameters

	E (MeV)	J^π	Γ (keV)
Best Fit	18.675	5/2-	300

Optical Model Parameters

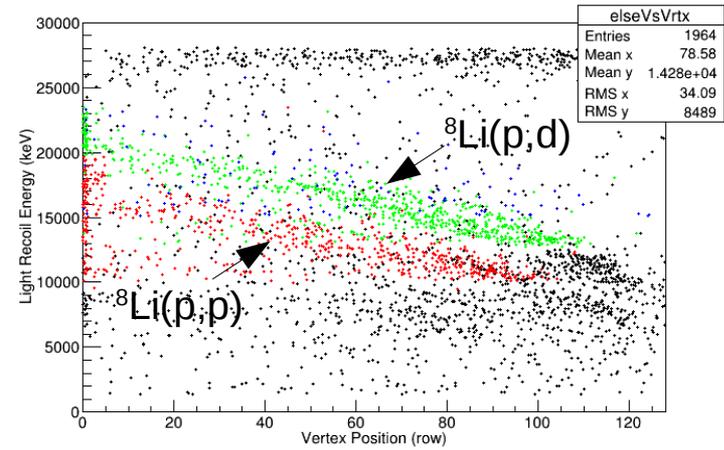
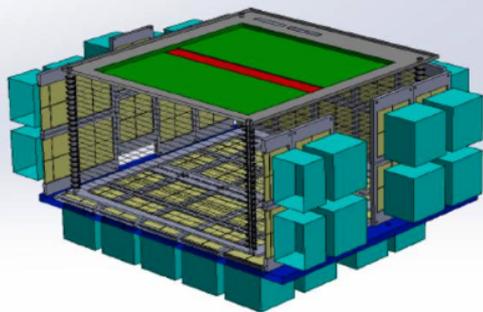
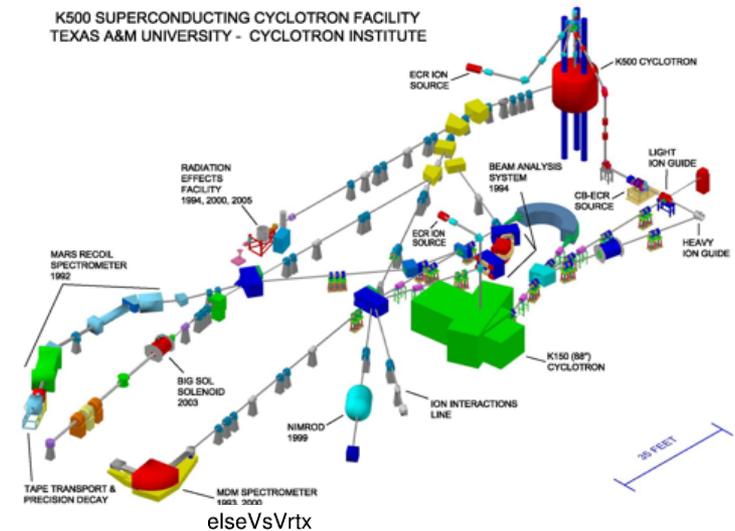
	V (MeV)	r (fm)	a (fm)	W_s (MeV)	r_s (fm)	a_s (fm)	r_c (fm)
Best Fit	74	1.10	0.8	30	0.45	0.6	1.5



- R-Matrix required only the known $T=3/2, 5/2^-$ state and width from literature [3] with no modification
- Optical Model required much more work to determine parameters for

$^8\text{Li}(p,p)$ with TexAT

- 75.5 MeV ^8Li beam from MARS spectrometer
- 470 Torr Isobutane gas as target



Conclusion

- Resonance scattering populating isobaric analogue states can provide insight into the structure of neutron rich nuclei
- R-Matrix Analysis can be used on narrow resonances while the Optical Model handles wider, typically lower isospin states and produce a good fit
- This method offers high efficiency (thick target) and excellent c.m. energy resolution (~ 20 keV)
- Developing a robust method for obtaining Optical Model parameters for the wide, low isospin states will require more work

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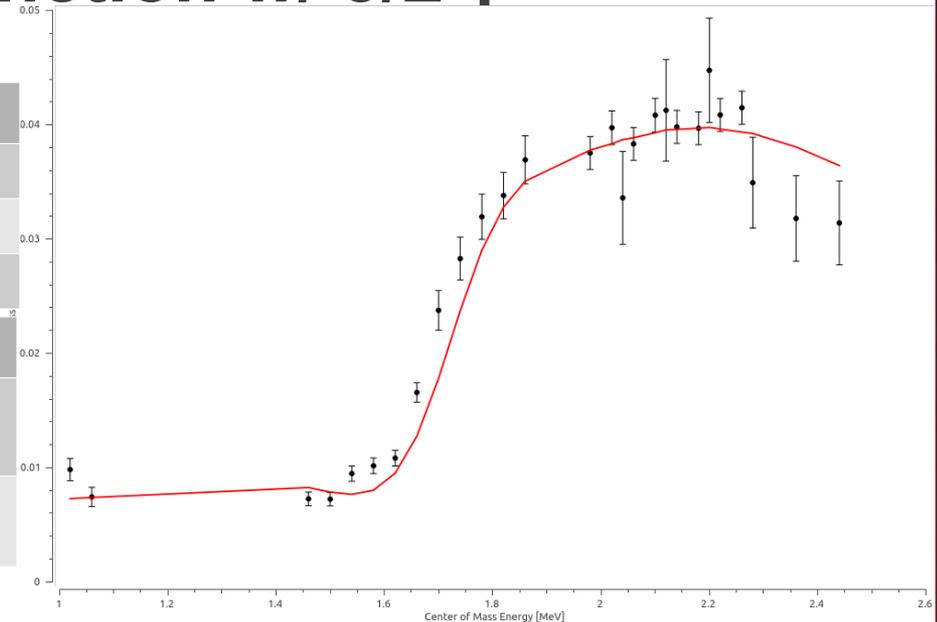
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$^8\text{Li}(p,p)$ Analysis

$^8\text{Li}(p,p)$ Excitation Function w/ 3/2-

R-Matrix Parameters			
	E (MeV)	J^π	Γ (keV)
Best Fit	18.675	5/2-	300
	19.0	3/2-	640

Optical Model Parameters							
	V (MeV)	r (fm)	a (fm)	W_s (MeV)	r_s (fm)	a_s (fm)	r_c (fm)
Best Fit	40	1.55	0.8	23	0.45	0.6	1.7



- The addition of a 3/2- state as suggested by G.V. Rogachev (2007) can also fit the data
- Most importantly the 5/2- still dominates and the Optical Model cannot simply make any fit we want