

pd: Theory

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Introduction

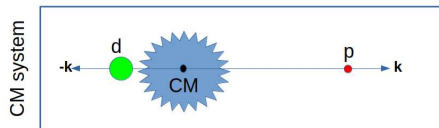
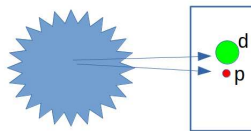
Light nuclei formation in the ALICE experiment

Coalescence model: two-step process

- Formation of nucleon and anti-nucleons in the high-energy collision
- Formation of light-nuclei following the interaction of nucleons close in phase-space
- [Butler & Pearson, 1963], [Schwarzschild & Zupancic, 1963]

Thermodynamical models

- Direct creation of light-nuclei in the hot and dense fireball
- [Braun-Munzinger, Redlich & J. Stachel, 2004]



$p - d$ system

- Question: where is formed the deuteron?
- Optimal to study this issue (three-nucleon dynamics well under control)

Theoretical study of the $A = 3$ reactions

Very accurate numerical techniques for $A = 3$ bound and scattering states

- Faddeev methods [Glockle *et al.*, *Phys. Rep.* **274**, 107 (1996)], and many others
- Expansion on a basis: HH [Kievsky, Marcucci, MV, *et al.*, 2008]
- CDCC method [Austern, Yahiro, & Kawai, 1986]

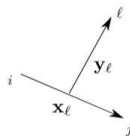
Nuclear interactions

- 1990's: **Realistic NN interactions** (phenomenological) (AV18, Nijmegen, CD-Bonn)
 - fit of the NN database with $\chi^2 \approx 1$
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 - +Urbana IX 3N force [Pudliner *et al.*, 1995]
- After 2000: **chiral NN+3N interactions**
- Expansion parameter Q/Λ_χ , $Q \sim m_\pi$, $\Lambda_\chi \approx 1$ GeV
- [Weinberg, 1990-1992], [Ordoñez, Ray, & Van Kolck, 1996], [Epelbaum, Hammer, & Meissner, 2009] for a review
- **Pionless interactions** [Kaplan, Savage, & Wise, 1998]

pd calculation

Definitions

- Permutations: $ij\ell=123, 231, 312$
- Jacobi vectors
 - $\mathbf{x}_\ell = \mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{r}_i$
 - $\mathbf{y}_\ell = \mathbf{r}_\ell - \frac{\mathbf{r}_j + \mathbf{r}_i}{2}$
- Hyperradius $\rho = \sqrt{\mathbf{x}_\ell^2 + \frac{4}{3}\mathbf{y}_\ell^2}$



$$E = \frac{k^2}{2\mu} - B_d = \frac{Q^2}{m}, \mu = \frac{2}{3}m, \eta = \frac{\mu e^2}{k}$$

Asymptotic components

$$\Omega_{LS}^F = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} \sum_{ij\ell} \left[Y_L(\hat{\mathbf{y}}_\ell) \otimes [\phi_d(ij) \otimes \chi_\ell] s \right]_{JJ_z} \frac{F_L(\eta, ky_\ell)}{ky_\ell}$$

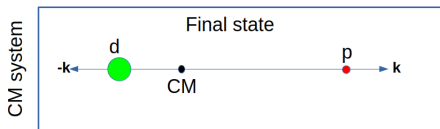
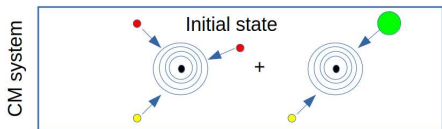
$$\Omega_{LS}^G = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} \sum_{ij\ell} \left[Y_L(\hat{\mathbf{y}}_\ell) \otimes [\phi_d(ij) \otimes \chi_\ell] s \right]_{JJ_z} f_L(y_\ell) \frac{G_L(\eta, ky_\ell)}{ky_\ell}$$

$f_L(y_\ell) = (1 - e^{-\beta y_\ell})^{2L+1}$ used to regularize G_L

pd wave function

$$\psi_{LSJj_z}^{(-)} = \sum_{[K]} \frac{u_{[K]}(\rho)}{\rho^2} \mathcal{Y}_{n,[K]} + \Omega_{LS}^F + \sum_{L'S'} \mathcal{T}_{LS,L'S'}^{(-),J} \left[\Omega_{L'S'}^G - i\Omega_{L'S'}^F \right]$$

- $\mathcal{Y}_{n,[K]}$ antisymmetrical hyperspherical harmonic (HH) functions – essentially, homogeneous polynomials of degree K
- They describe the configuration when the three particles are close + the ingoing three-particles amplitudes ($u(\rho) \sim e^{-iQ\rho}$)
- $\mathcal{T}_{LS,L'S'}^{(-),J}$ = T-matrix ($G - iF \sim e^{-iky_\ell}$)
- $u_{[K]}(\rho)$ and $\mathcal{T}_{LS,L'S'}^{(-),J}$ computed using the Kohn variational principle
- For more details, see [Kievsky *et al.* JPG **35**, 063101 (2008)], [Marcucci *et al.*, FIP **8**, 69 (2020)]



Asymptotic waves

Asymptotic waves

Possible L, S values for a given J^π (using the spectroscopic notation $^{2S+1}L_J$)
for a pd state $S = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}$

state	$p - d$
$\frac{1}{2}^+$	$^2S_{\frac{1}{2}}, ^4D_{\frac{1}{2}}$
$\frac{3}{2}^+$	$^2S_{\frac{3}{2}}, ^2D_{\frac{3}{2}}, ^4D_{\frac{3}{2}}$
$\frac{5}{2}^+$	$^2D_{\frac{5}{2}}, ^2G_{\frac{5}{2}}, ^4G_{\frac{5}{2}}$
$\frac{1}{2}^-$	$^2P_{\frac{1}{2}}, ^4P_{\frac{1}{2}}$
$\frac{3}{2}^-$	$^2P_{\frac{3}{2}}, ^4P_{\frac{3}{2}}, ^4F_{\frac{3}{2}}$
$\frac{5}{2}^-$	$^4P_{\frac{5}{2}}, ^2F_{\frac{5}{2}}, ^4F_{\frac{5}{2}}$

S-waves: $\frac{1}{2}^+, \frac{3}{2}^+$

P-waves: $\frac{1}{2}^-, \frac{3}{2}^-, \frac{5}{2}^-$

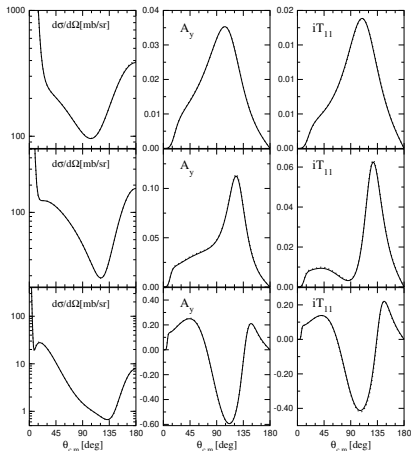
Benchmark test of 3N scattering calculations - pd scattering

Comparison with
the Faddeed
calculation by
Deltuva [Deltuva
et al., 2005]

$E = 3 \text{ MeV}$

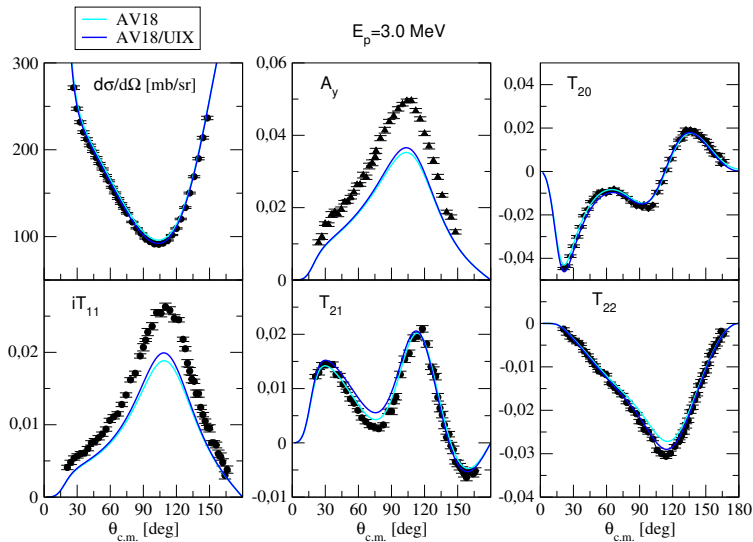
$E = 10 \text{ MeV}$

$E = 65 \text{ MeV}$



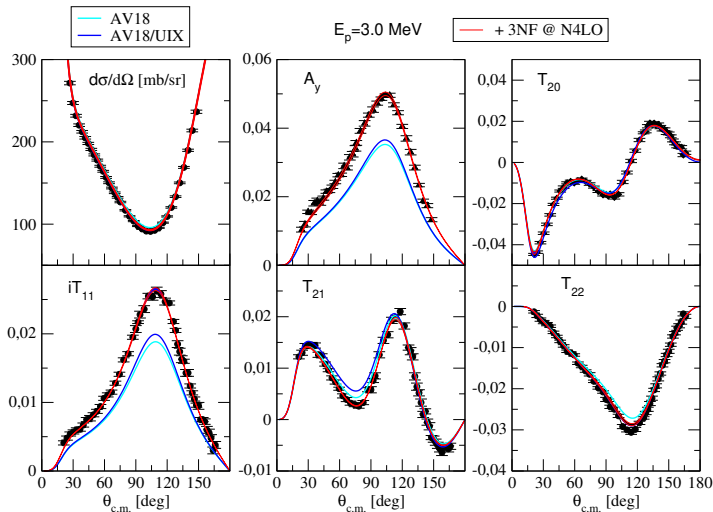
pd scattering at $E_p = 3.0$ MeV

A_y and iT_{11} puzzle



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Inclusion of 3NF at N4LO [Girlanda, Kievsky, Marcucci, & MV, 2018], [Witala, Golak, & Skibiński, 2022]

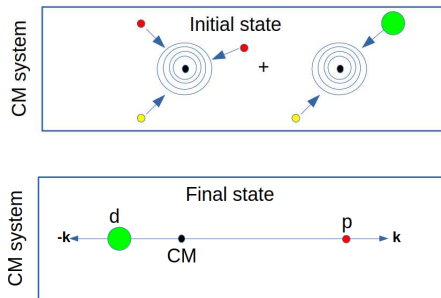


The pd wave function for the ALICE experiment

General idea: $\Psi^{(-)} = pd$ plane wave + incoming pd + ppn spherical waves
(with the distortion induced by Coulomb properly taken into account)

In a time-dependent formalism, this corresponds to a state

- For $t \rightarrow -\infty$: incoming pd + ppn spherical waves
- For $t \rightarrow +\infty$: pd clusters moving with relative impulse \mathbf{k}



The “free” pd wave function

$$\Psi_{m_2, m_1}^{(free)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \sum_{ij\ell} \phi_{m_2}(ij) \chi_{m_1}(\ell) \Phi_c(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{y}_\ell)$$

$\Phi_c(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{y}_\ell)$ Coulomb-distorted plane wave solution of

$$\left[-\frac{1}{2\mu} \nabla^2 + \frac{e^2}{r} \right] \Phi_c(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{y}_\ell) = E \Phi_c(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{y}_\ell)$$

Using the spherical-wave expansion ($\eta = \frac{\mu e^2}{k}$)

$$\Phi_c(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{y}_\ell) = \sum_{LM} 4\pi i^L Y_{LM}^*(\hat{k}) Y_{LM}(\hat{r}) e^{i\sigma_L} \frac{F_L(\eta, ky_\ell)}{ky_\ell}$$

and recoupling spin-angular $\Psi_{m_2, m_1}^{(free)}$ can be written as (here $\hat{k} = \hat{z}$)

$$\Psi_{m_2, m_1}^{(free)} = \sum_{LSJ} \sqrt{4\pi} i^L \sqrt{2L+1} e^{i\sigma_L} (1m_2 \frac{1}{2} m_1 | SJ_z) (L0 SJ_z | JJ_z) \Omega_{LSJJ_z}^F$$

The “full” pd wave function

Just substitute $\Omega_{LSJJ_z}^F$ with $\Psi_{LSJJ_z}^{(-)}$!

But the effect of the long-range Coulomb interaction may be important also for large $L \dots$

So one should compute $\Psi_{LSJJ_z}^{(-)}$ for an infinite number of LSJ values \dots

For large values of L (i.e. J) the effect of nuclear interaction is negligible

so the substitution $\Omega_{LSJJ_z}^F \rightarrow \Psi_{LSJJ_z}^{(-)}$ is adopted only up to $J \leq \bar{J}$

$$\Psi_{LSJJ_z}^{(-)} = \Omega_{LSJJ_z}^F + \bar{\Psi}_{LSJJ_z}^{(-)} \quad J \leq \bar{J} \quad \Psi_{LSJJ_z}^{(-)} = \Omega_{LSJJ_z}^F \quad J > \bar{J}$$

The terms $\Omega_{LSJJ_z}^F$ can be resummed up to $L \rightarrow \infty$, obtaining

$$\psi_{m_2, m_1}^{(full)} = \psi_{m_2, m_1}^{(free)} + \tilde{\psi}_{m_2, m_1}^{(full)}$$

$$\tilde{\psi}_{m_2, m_1}^{(full)} = \sum_{J=\frac{1}{2}}^{\bar{J}} \sum_{LS} \sqrt{4\pi} i^L \sqrt{2L+1} e^{i\sigma_L} (1 m_2 \frac{1}{2} m_1 | SJ_z)(L0 SJ_z | JJ_z) \bar{\Psi}_{LSJJ_z}^{(-)}$$

Calculation of the pd correlation factor

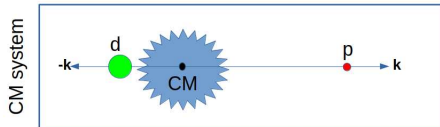
Standard formula

For two-body scattering [Koonin, 1977], [Pratt, 1986]

$$C(k) = \int d^3r S_R(r) |\psi(\mathbf{r})|^2 \quad S_R(r) = \frac{1}{(2\pi R^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} e^{-\left(\frac{r}{2R}\right)^2}$$

pd formula

- In the pd case, it “natural” to identify $r \rightarrow y_\ell$
- How to treat the antisymmetrization?



After several discussions with Alejandro., Laura F., Bwawani and many others

$$C_{pd}(k) = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{m_2, m_1} \mathbf{3} \sum_{m'_2, m'_1} \int d^3y_3 S_R(y_3) |\psi_{m'_2, m'_1, m_2, m_1}(k, \mathbf{y}_3)|^2 \quad (1)$$

$$\psi_{m'_2, m'_1, m_2, m_1}(k, \mathbf{y}_3) = \int d^3x_3 \left[\phi_{m'_2}(1, 2) \chi_{m'_1}(3) \right]^\dagger \Psi_{m_2, m_1}^{(full)}$$

$\phi(1, 2)$ = deuteron wave function, $\chi(3)$ = spin state of the proton
namely, we “project” the full wave function onto the deuteron wave function

Suggestions well accepted!!!

Discussion (1)

Source $S_R(y_3)$, then

- 1 It is “natural” to apply the formula using an “effective” $p - d$ relative wave function
- 2 The detector “naturally” project onto a $p - d$ deuteron state
- 3 Mrówczyński’s formulation (for simplicity here I neglect spin-isospin d.o.f)

$$C_{pd}(k)A_2 = \int d^3r_1 d^3r_2 d^3r_3 S_{R_M}(r_1)S_{R_M}(r_2)S_{R_M}(r_3)|\Psi_{pd}|^2 \quad (*)$$

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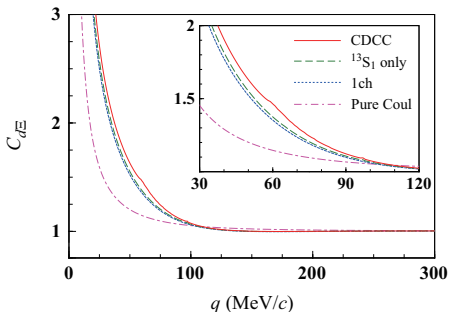
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Discussion (2)

Calculation for $d\Xi$ by [Ogata *et al.*, 2021]

- 1 CDCC calculation of $\Psi_{d\Xi}(\mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{y}_3)$ (here particle 3 is the K -meson)
- 2 $\Psi_{d\Xi}(\mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{y}_3)$ projected over all np states (bound+scattering)



Effect of the scattering states rather small

Discussion (3)

Projection on the pn scattering states

Schematically (spin-isospin d.o.f. neglected)
 $\phi_\alpha =$ all the $p - n$ states ($\alpha = 0$ deuteron, etc)

$$C_{pd}(k) \sim \sum_{\alpha} \int d^3 y_3 S_R(y_3) |\langle \phi_\alpha(1, 2) | \Psi_{pd} \rangle|^2$$

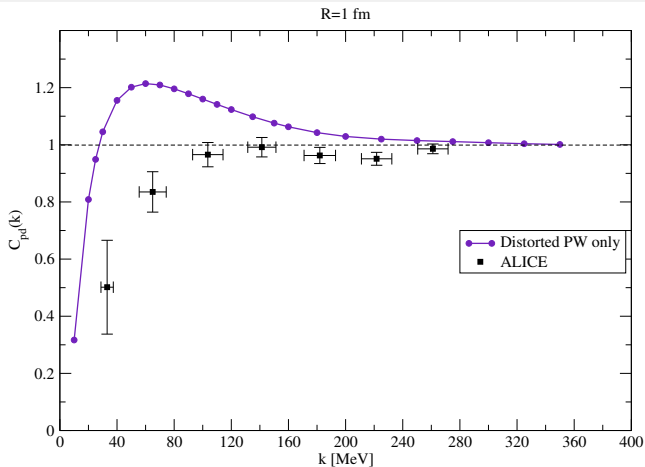
Using closure

$$C_{pd}(k) \sim \int d^3 y_3 S_R(y_3) |\Psi_{pd}|^2$$

$\Psi_{pd} \sim \phi_d(1, 2)e^{ik \cdot y_3} + \phi_d(2, 3)e^{ik \cdot y_1} + \phi_d(3, 1)e^{ik \cdot y_2}$
it can be shown that for $k \rightarrow \infty$, $C_{pd}(k) \neq 1$

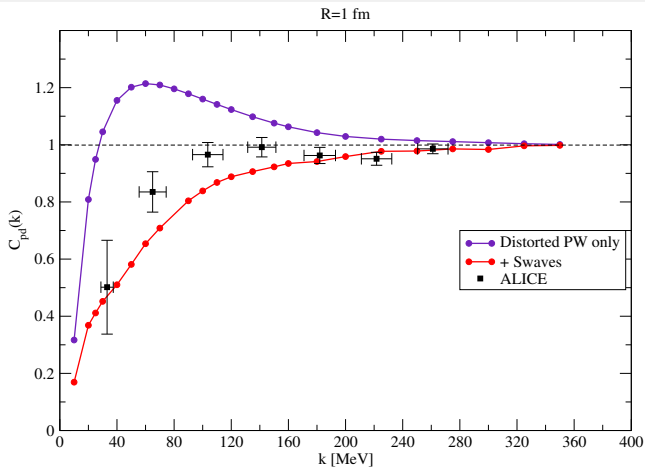
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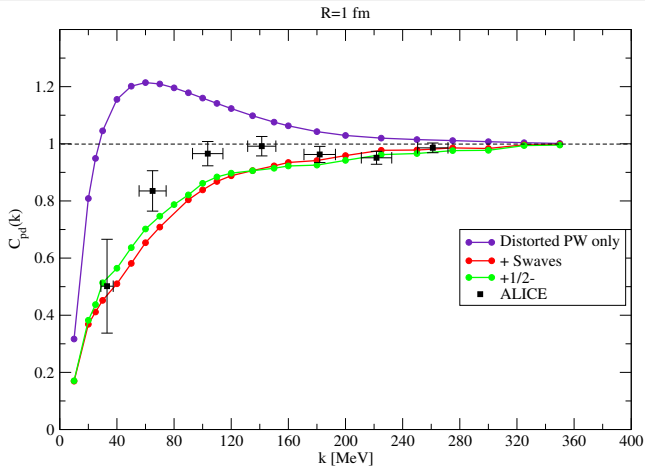
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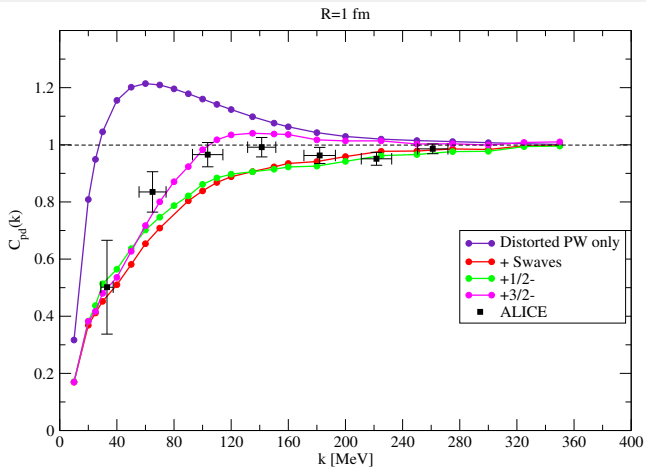
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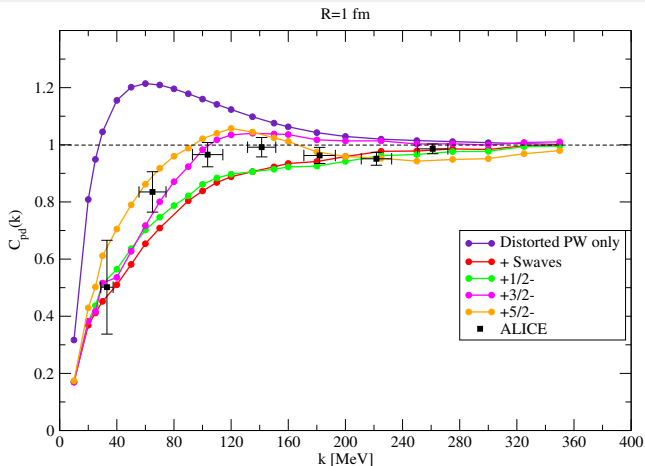
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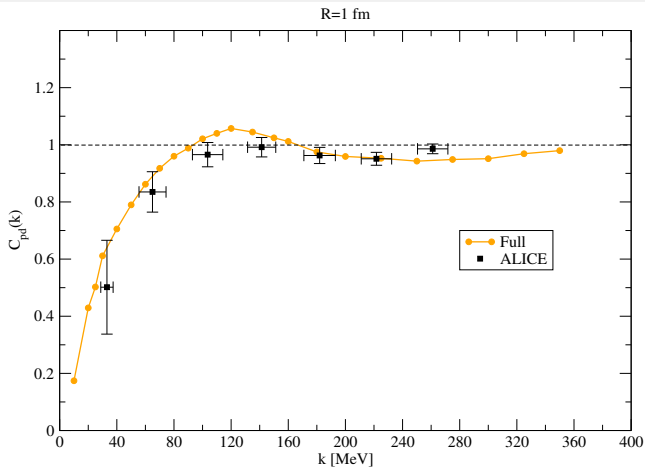
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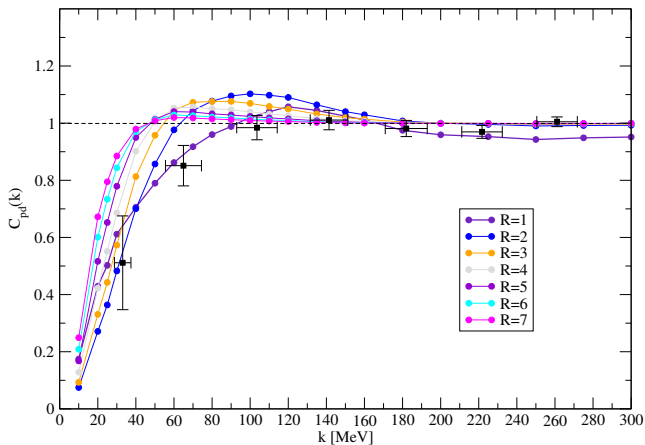


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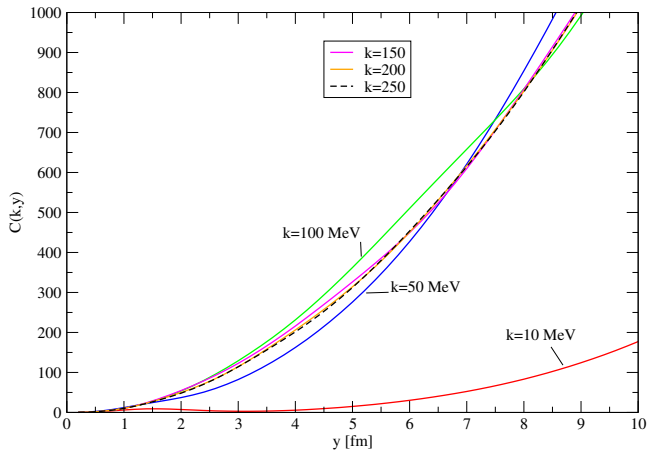


Dependence on R



Results (3)

Functions $C_{pd}(k, y)$: $C_{pd}(k) = \int_0^\infty dy S_R(y) C_{pd}(k, y)$

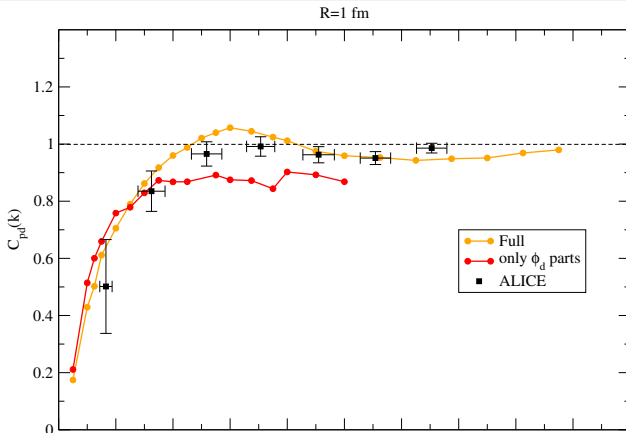


Results (4)

Importance of the deuteron component

Reduce the wave function to:

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Conclusions and perspectives

Analysis of pd correlation factor

- “projection” formula
- Contribution of P-waves very significant
- Good agreement between the theoretical and the experimental data for $R \approx 1$ fm

Perspectives

- Calculation with other interactions
- Comparison with the calculations by S. Koenig
- More tests:
 - study the effect of the “free” part
 - inclusion of more J states (increase \bar{J})
- Applications for $p - {}^3\text{He}$ and $d - d$:
 - $p - {}^3\text{He}$: [Bazak & Mrówczyński, 2020]
 - $d - d$: [Mrówczyński & Slon, 2021]
 - HH calculations [MV *et al*, 2020 & 2022]
- Applications for ppn and $pp\Lambda$: See Alejandro’s talk

Thank you for your attention!