

# Investigation of the ${}^3\text{He}-\eta$ system in deuteron-proton collisions at COSY-ANKE

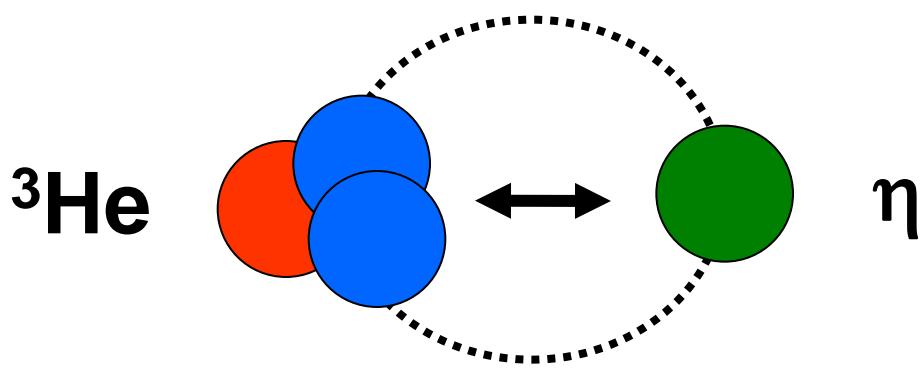
## YITP Workshop on Hadron in Nucleus

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# Why $\eta$ -Meson Production Close to Threshold?

- Do bound meson-nucleus systems exist?



- ANKE:  $d+p \xrightarrow{(\rightarrow)} {}^3\text{He}+\eta$
- Excitation function close to threshold  $\rightarrow$  FSI
- Polarized beam  $\rightarrow$  Test of FSI hypothesis, role of spins

# The COSY-Accelerator at Jülich



COSY (Cooler Synchrotron)

## Energy range

- 0.045 – 2.8 GeV (p)
- 0.023 – 2.3 GeV (d)  
(momentum 3.7 GeV/c)

## Beam cooling

- Electron cooling
- Stochastic cooling

## Polarisation

- p, d beams & targets

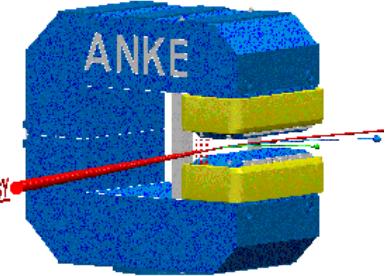
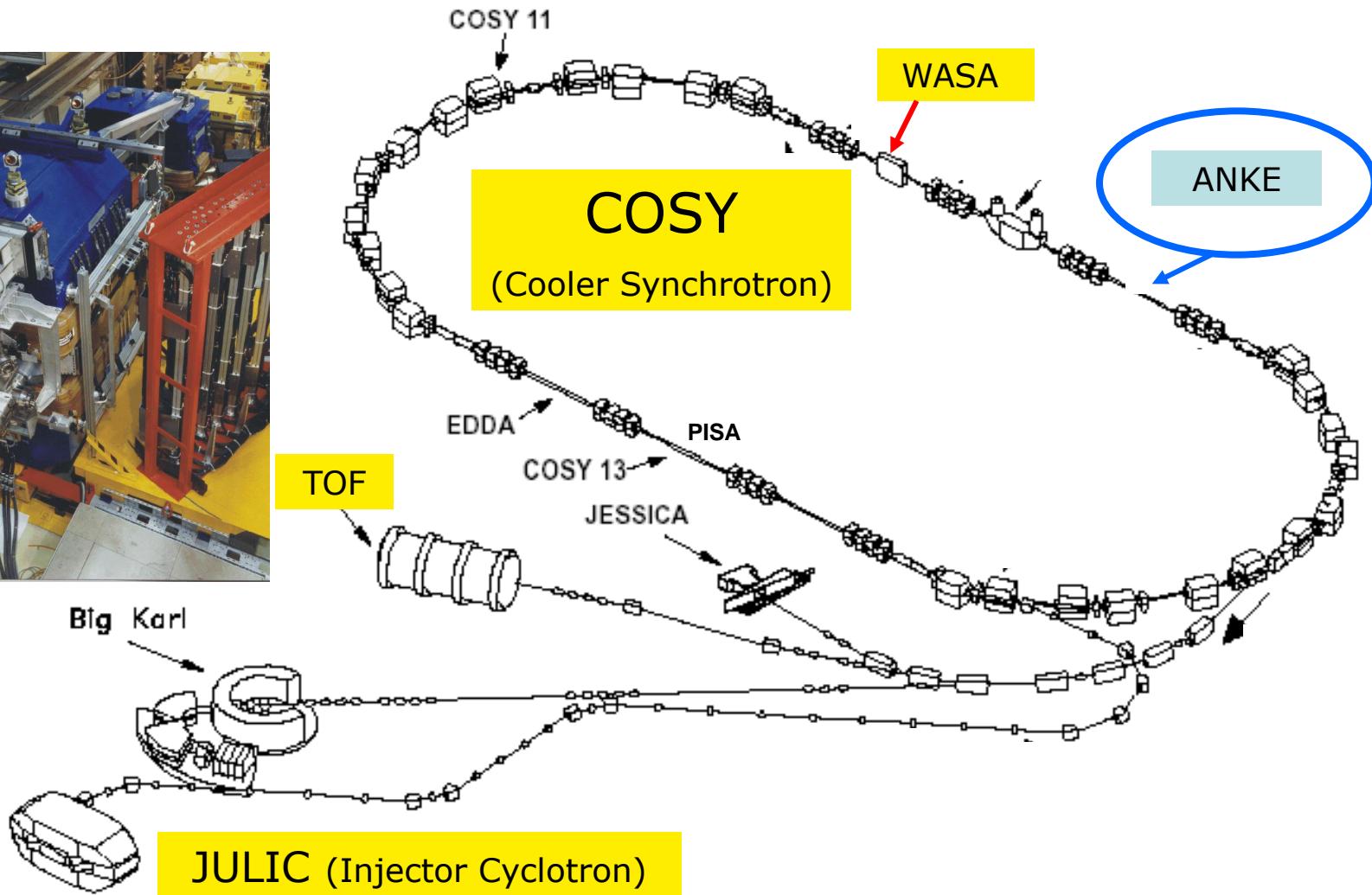
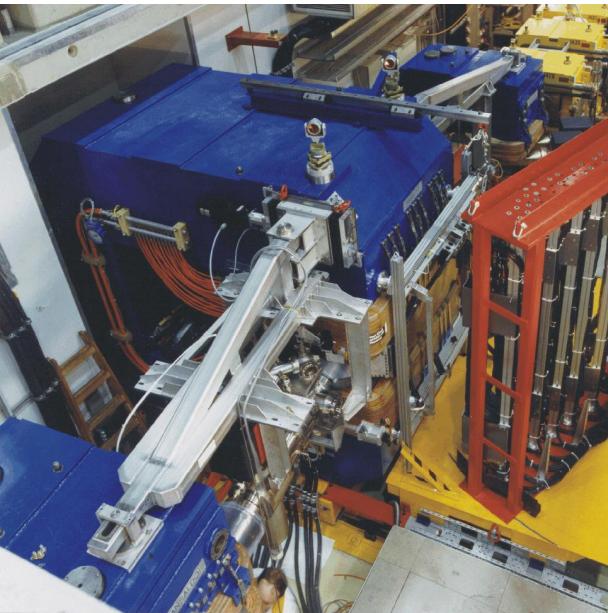
## Beams

- internal, external

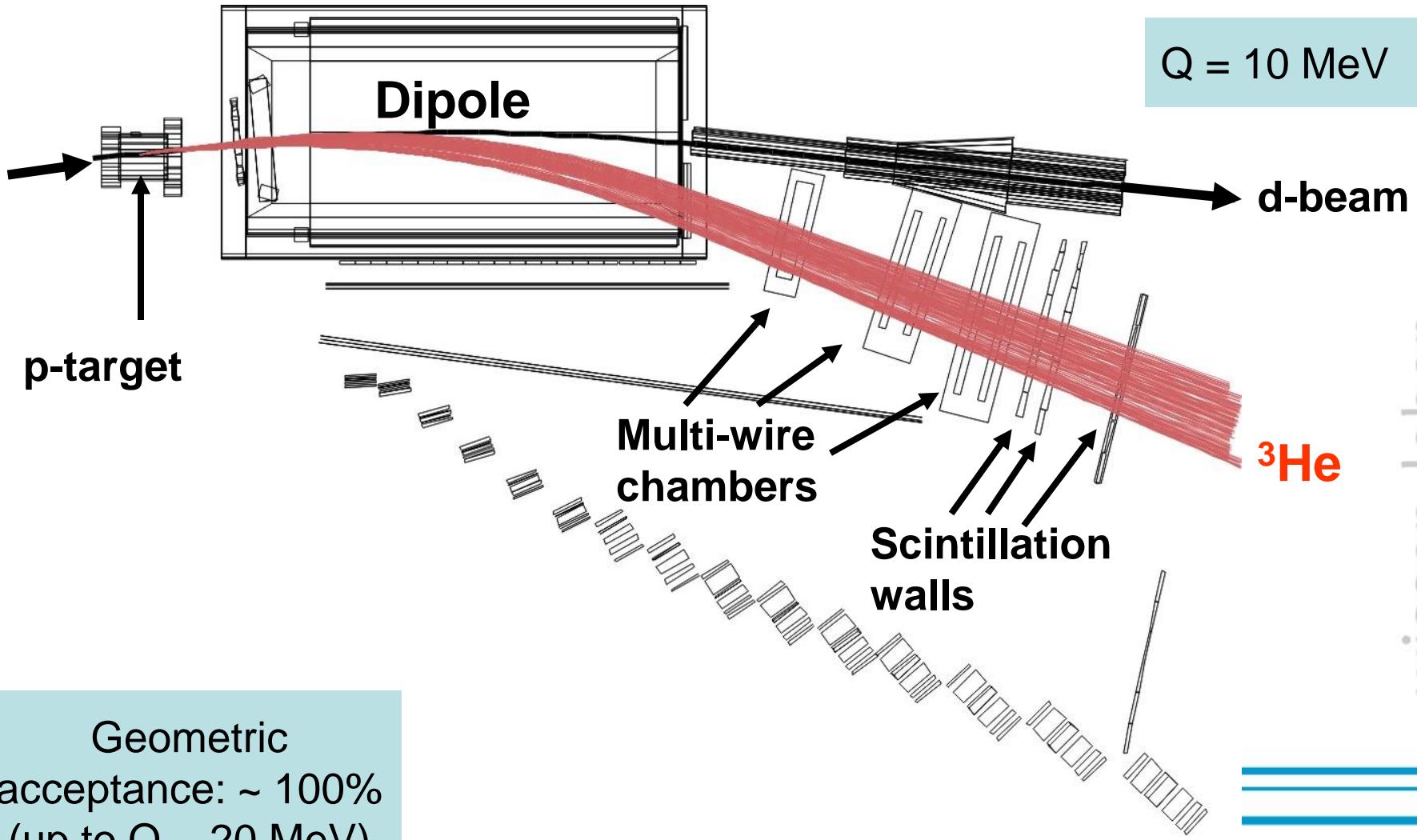
## Experiments, Detectors

- ANKE, TOF, WASA, ...

# The ANKE-Facility

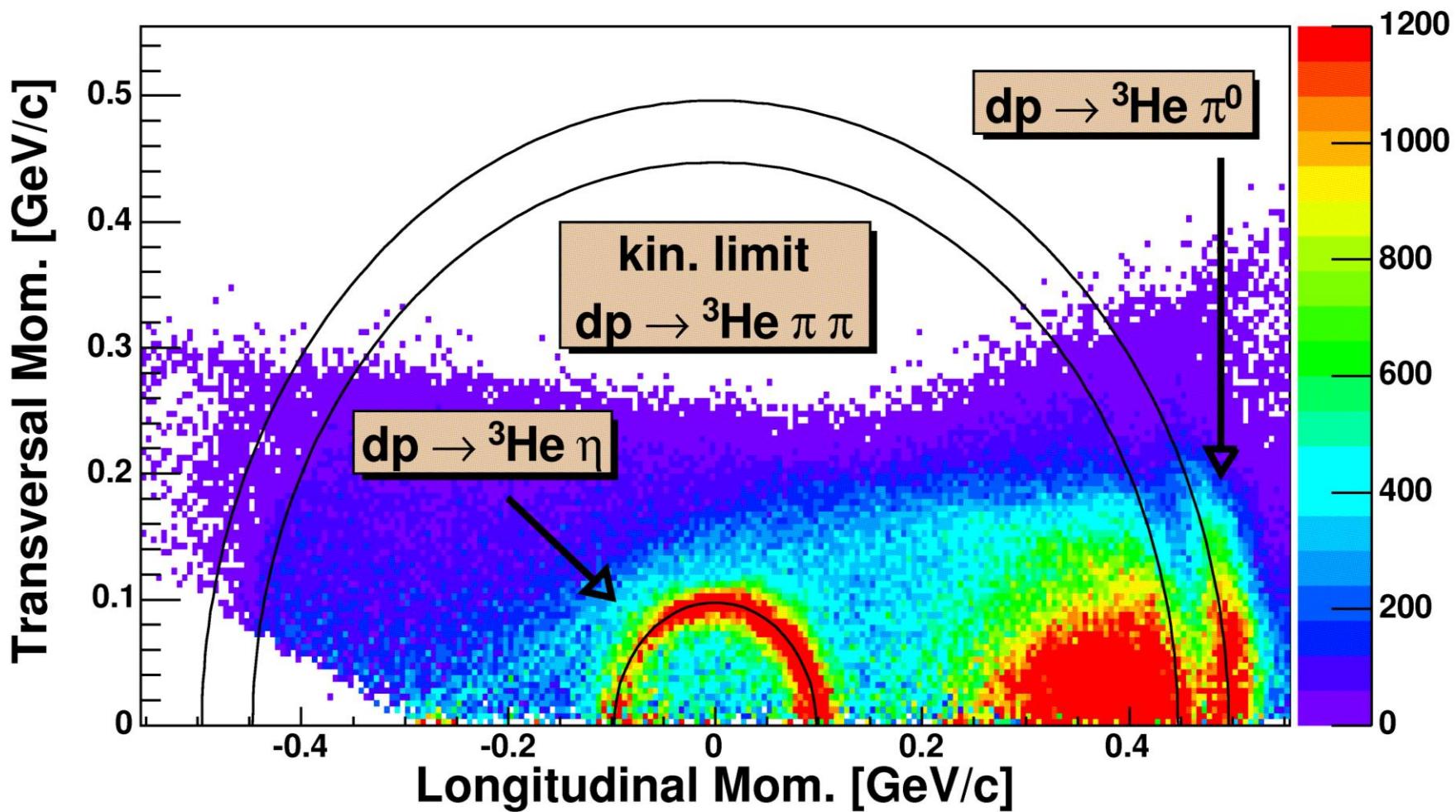


# Identification of ${}^3\text{He}$ Nuclei at ANKE



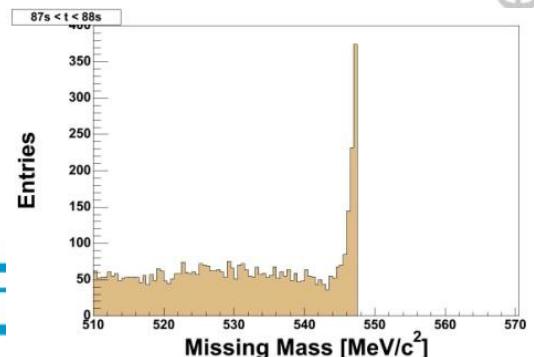
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„Momentum rabbit“



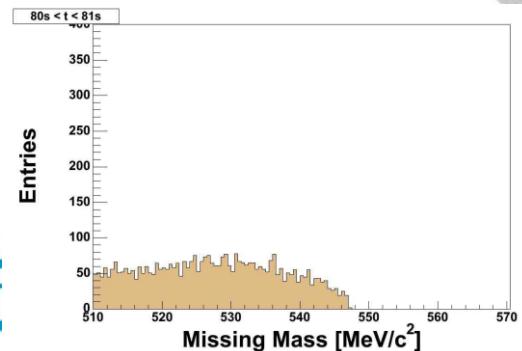
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- 4-momenta of the incoming particles ( $d, p$ ) known
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energy + momentum: Adjustable by the accelerator
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## Two-Particle Final State: Phase Space

Assumption:

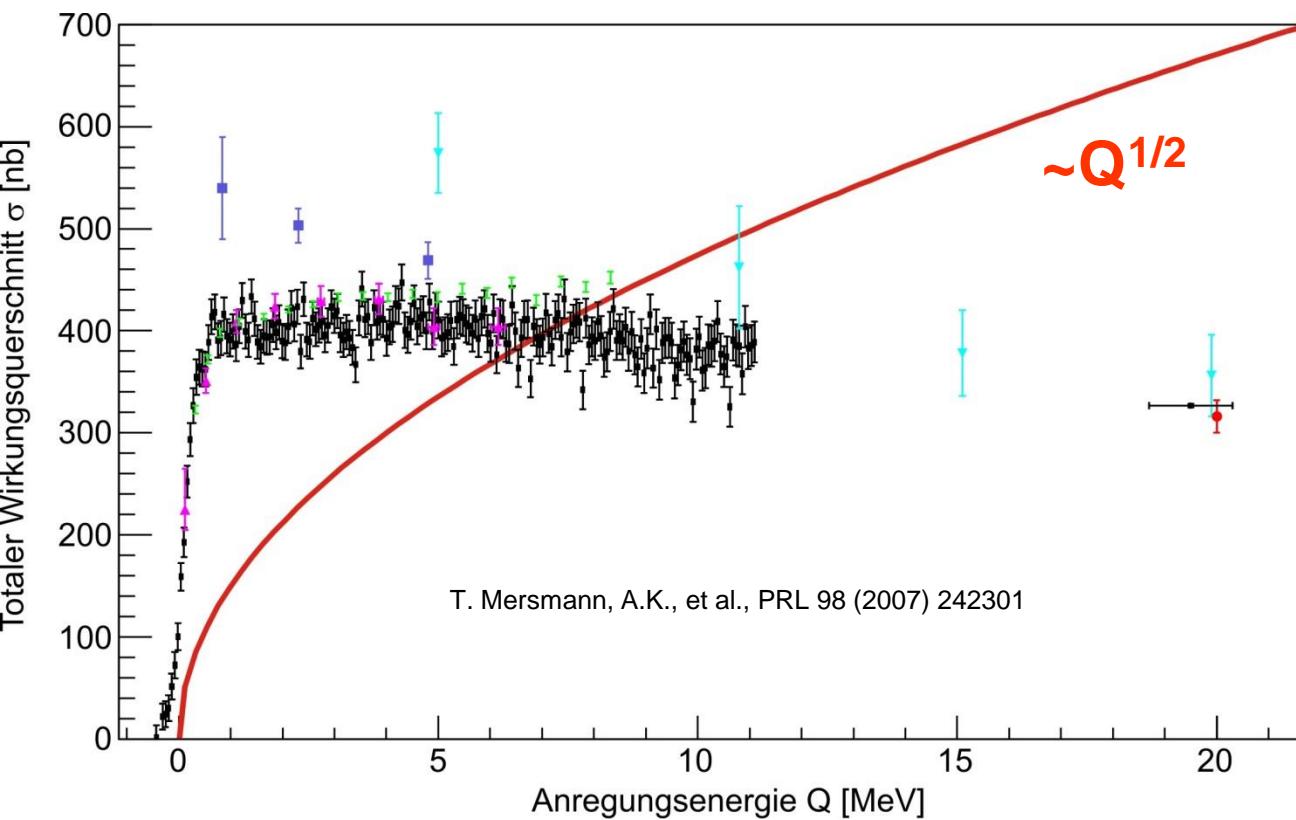
- Two-particle reaction  $a+b \rightarrow c+d$  without initial and final state interactions („ISI“ and „FSI“):
- Scattering (and production) amplitude  $f = \text{const.}$ 
  - Increase of the cross section according to phase space expectations

$$\frac{d\sigma(\vartheta)}{d\Omega} = \frac{p_f}{p_i} |f_s|^2 \propto p_f \propto \sqrt{Q}$$

$p_i / p_f$ : Momenta of in- and outgoing particles in the CMS

$Q$ : Q-value = Sum of kinetic energies im CMS

## Results for the Reaction $d+p \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}+\eta$



- 195 data points from ANKE close to threshold
- Strong deviation from phase space expectation!
- Most probably not caused by higher partial waves

## The Reaction $d+p \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}+\eta$

- Extreme increase of the total cross section close to the production threshold
- Increase of the cross sections within  $\Delta Q < 1 \text{ MeV}$ 
  - strong energy dependence at threshold
- After that total cross sections remain almost constant
  - Additional effect beside pure phase space

Explanation: Strong final state interaction (FSI) between  ${}^3\text{He}$  nucleus and  $\eta$ -meson

# Scattering Theory and Final State Interaction

Description of the cross section including FSI:

$$\frac{d\sigma(g)}{d\Omega} = \frac{p_f}{p_i} |f_s|^2 = \frac{p_f}{p_i} \cdot \frac{|f_{\text{prod}}|^2}{\left|1 - i \cdot a \cdot p_f + \frac{1}{2} a \cdot r_0 \cdot p_f^2\right|^2}$$

Assumption:

- Energy dependence of the production amplitude  $f_{\text{Prod}}$  is negligible close to threshold:  $f_{\text{Prod}} \sim \text{const.}$
- Initial State Interaction (ISI) also:  $\text{ISI} = \text{const.}$

# Scattering Theory and Final State Interaction

- The scattering length can deliver informationen about possible bound states
- Conditions for bound  $\eta^3\text{He}$  state:
  - Existence of a pole in the complex  $p_f$  plane

$$f_s = \frac{f_{\text{prod}}}{1 - i \cdot a \cdot p_f + \frac{1}{2} a \cdot r \cdot p_f^2}$$

$$a \equiv a_r + ia_i$$

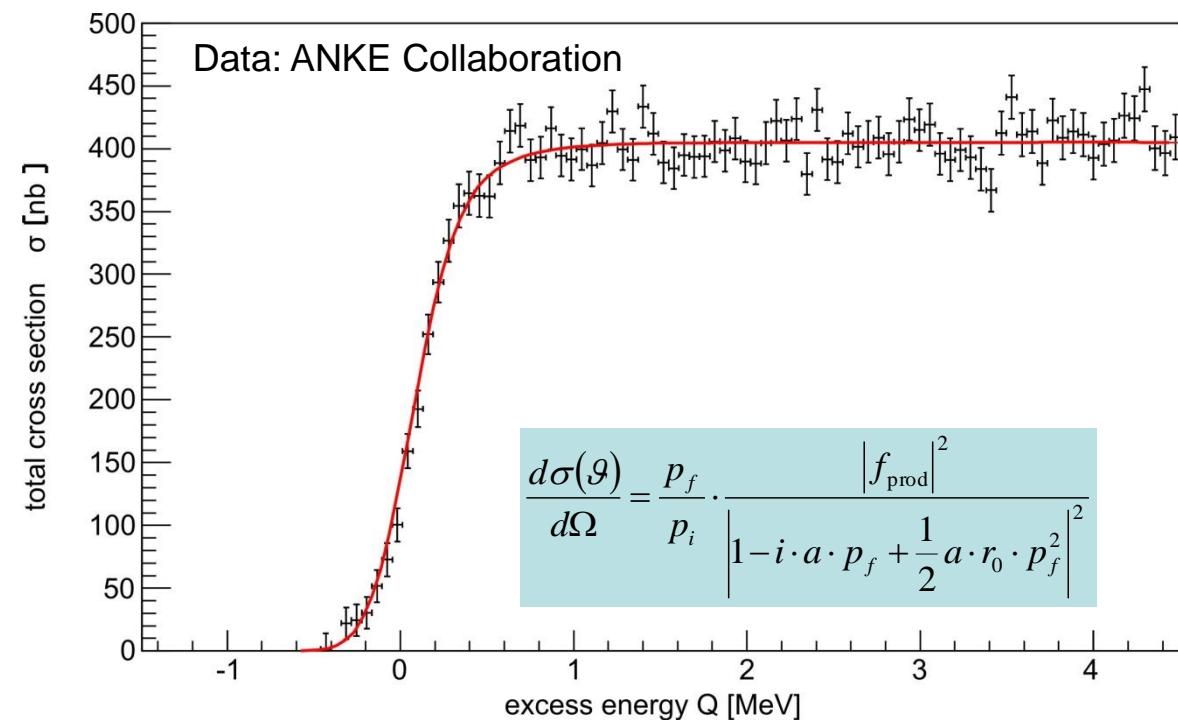
$$r \equiv r_r + ir_i$$

- As well as

$$a_r < 0, \quad a_i > 0, \quad R = \frac{|a_i|}{|a_r|} < 1$$

# The Reaction $d+p \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}+\eta$

Fit to data very close to threshold: Only s-wave



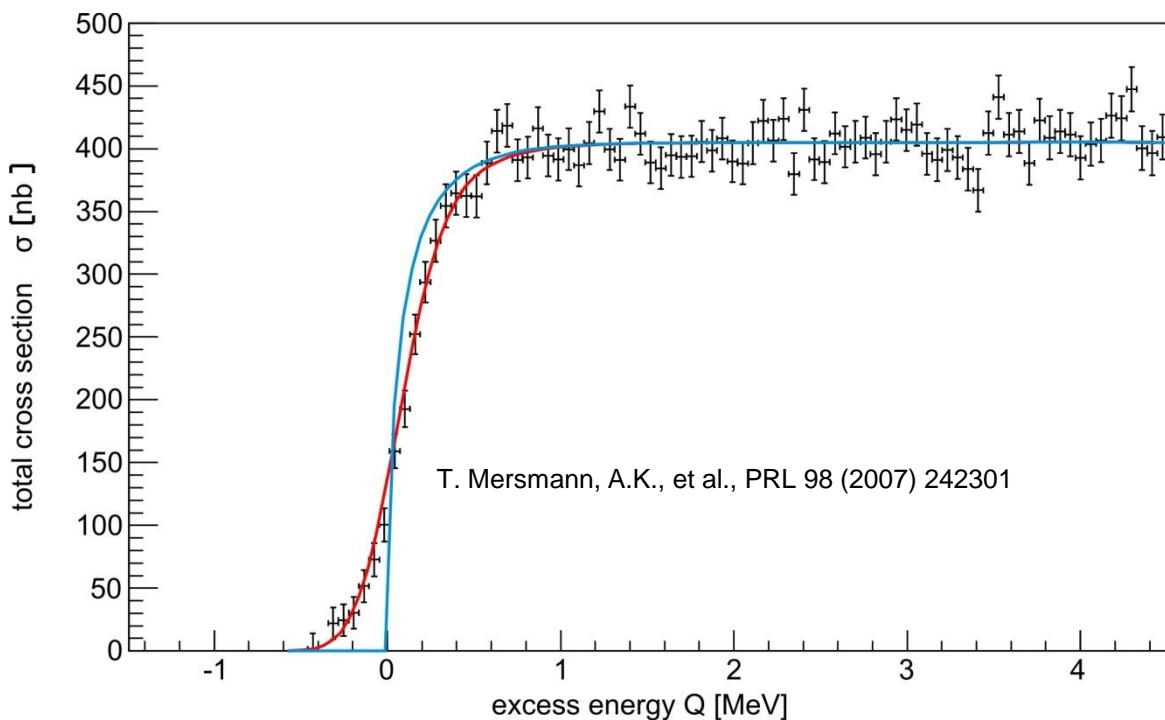
Fit parameter:

- Complex scattering length  $a=a_r+ia_i$
- Complex effective range  $r=r_r+ir_i$
- Finite momentum width  $\delta p_{\text{beam}}$  of the accelerator beam



# The Reaction $d+p \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}+\eta$

Excitation function without accelerator beam smearing  $\delta p_{\text{beam}}$ :

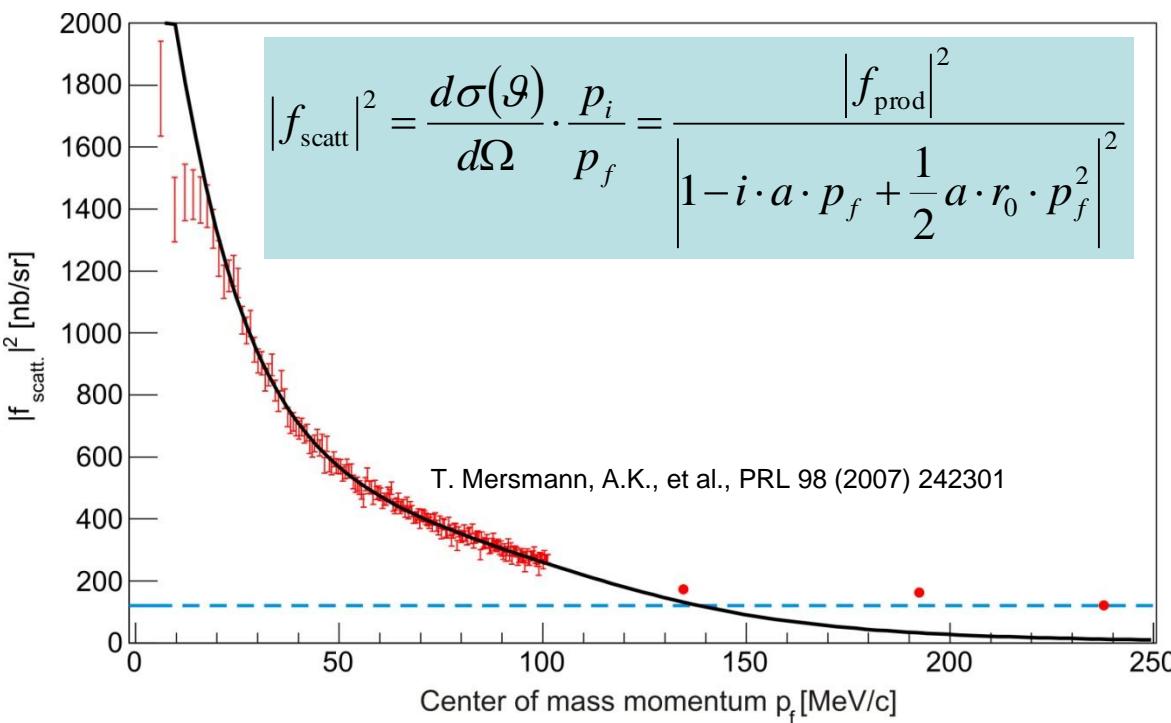


Blue line:

- Defolded shape, extracted from data (no accelerator beam smearing)  
→
- Total cross section reaches maximum already  $\Delta Q < 0.5$  MeV above threshold

# The $d+p \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}+\eta$ Scattering Amplitude

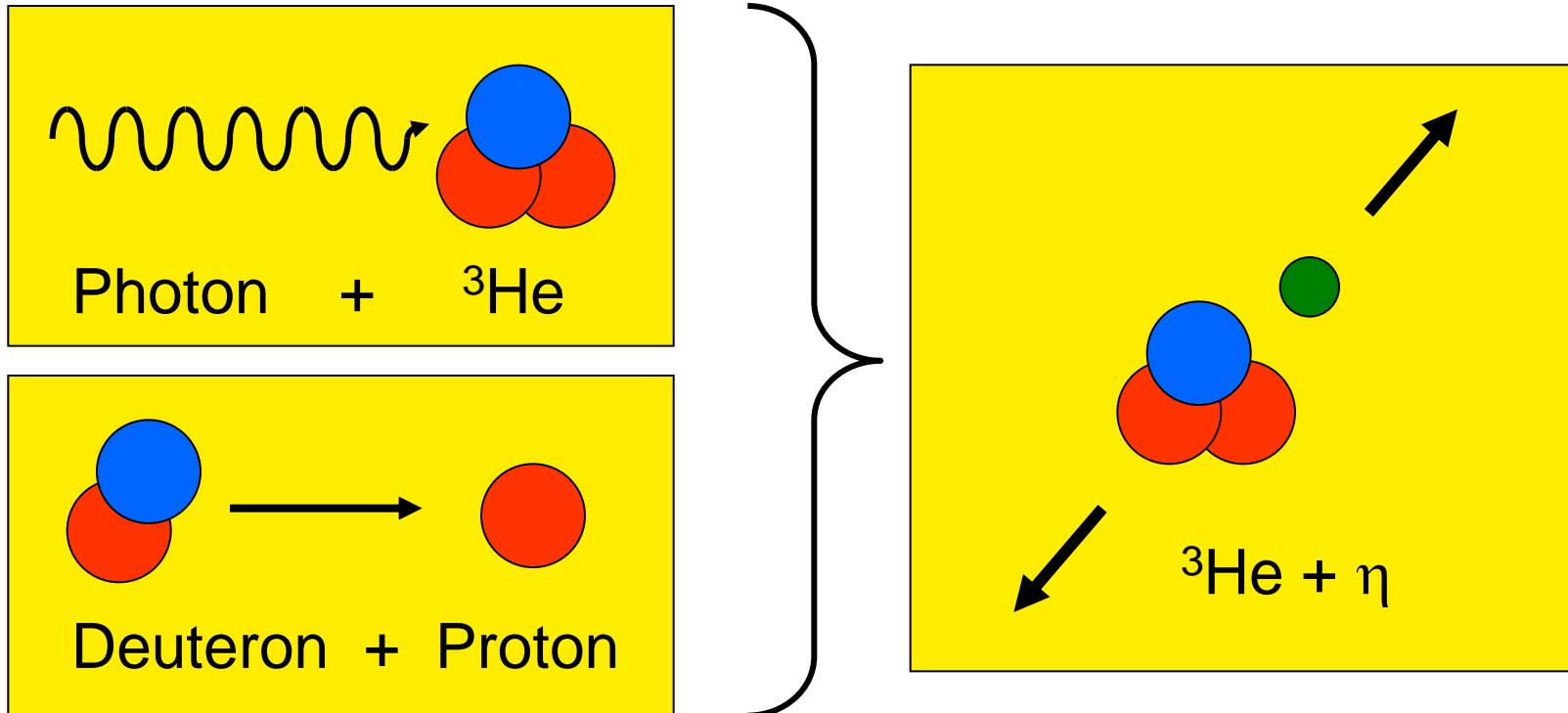
Extracted scattering amplitude ( $Q > 0$  MeV)



- Scattering amplitude decreases rapidly with increasing final state momentum  $p_f$
- Scattering amplitude almost constant at high energies

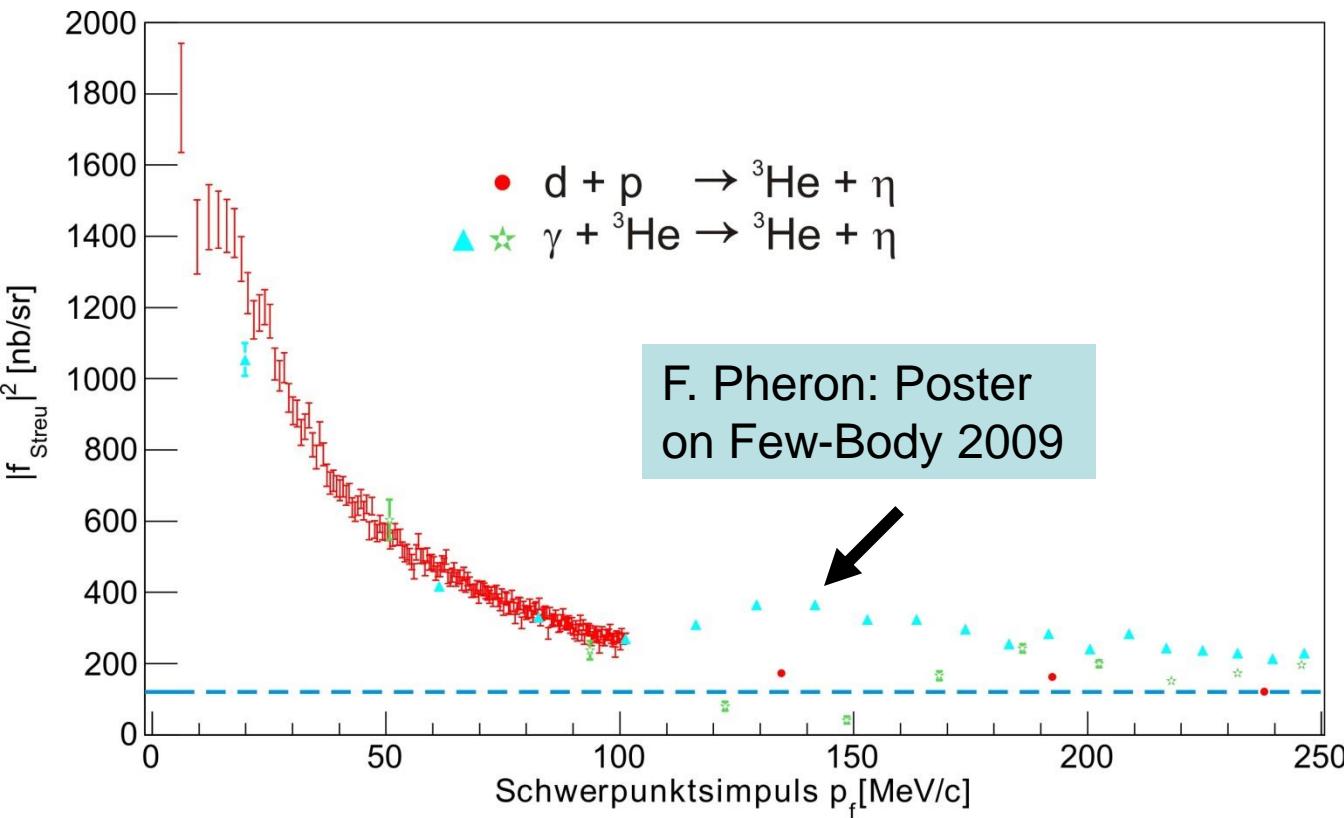
→ strong FSI in  $\eta {}^3\text{He}$  system

## Compare: dp- and $\gamma^3\text{He}$ -Scattering

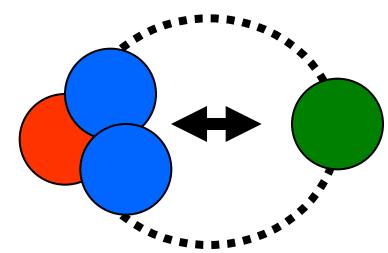


- Different initial states and production mechanism, but same final state

# Compare: dp- and $\gamma^3\text{He}$ -Scattering



- Scattering amplitudes show similar energy dependence
- Strong hint for a strong FSI between He-nuclei and  $\eta$ -mesons



## $\eta$ - $^3\text{He}$ Scattering Length

Fit to data delivers information about the complex  $\eta$ - $^3\text{He}$  scattering length:

$$\left( \frac{d\sigma(\vartheta)}{d\Omega} \right) \cdot \frac{p_i}{p_f} = |f_{\text{scat}}|^2 = |f_{\text{prod}} \cdot FSI|^2 = |f_{\text{prod}}|^2 \cdot |FSI|^2$$



Result:

$$a = [\pm (10.7 \pm 0.8^{+0.1}_{-0.5}) + i(1.5 \pm 2.6^{+1.0}_{-0.9})] \text{ fm}$$

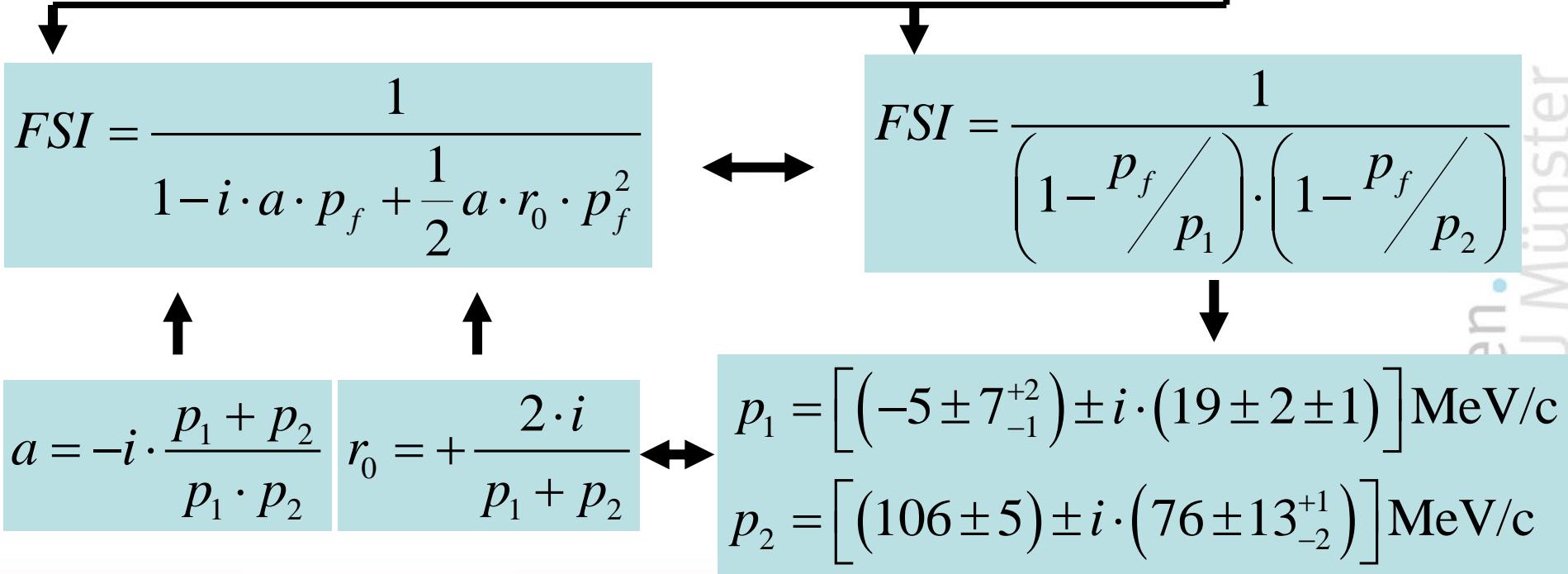
$$FSI = \frac{1}{1 - i \cdot a \cdot p_f + \frac{1}{2} a \cdot r_0 \cdot p_f^2}$$

Notice: Determination of  $|a_r|$ !

T. Mersmann, A.K., et al., PRL 98 (2007) 242301

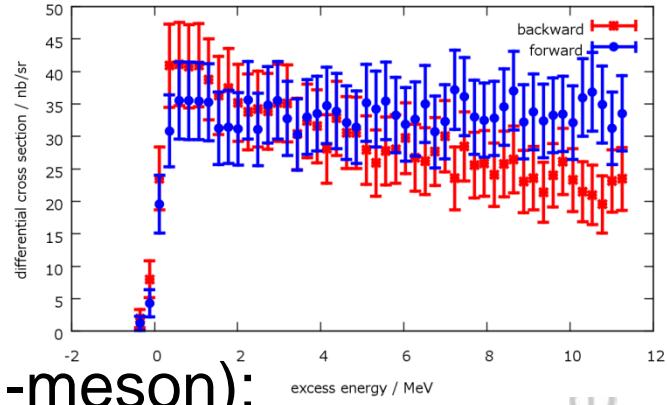
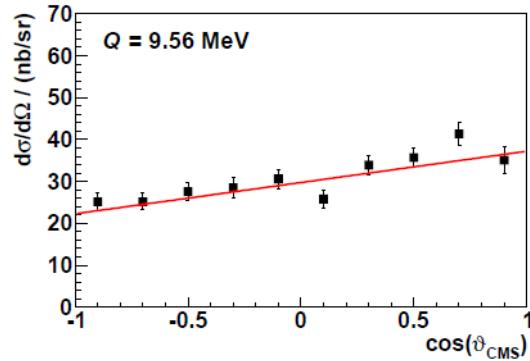
## $\eta$ - ${}^3\text{He}$ -Interaction: Determination of Pol's

$$\left( \frac{d\sigma(\vartheta)}{d\Omega} \right) \cdot \frac{p_i}{p_f} = |f_{\text{scatt}}|^2 = |f_{\text{prod}} \cdot FSI|^2 = |f_{\text{prod}}|^2 \cdot |FSI|^2$$



# Consideration of Higher Partial Waves: P-Waves

- Close to threshold:  $d\sigma/d\Omega(\theta) = \text{const.} \rightarrow \text{pure s-wave}$
- Above a few MeV Q-value: Contributions  $\sim \cos(\theta)$  visible  
 $\rightarrow$  effect of p-wave



- Asymmetry in the angular distribution ( $\eta$ -meson):

Slope at  $\cos(\theta)=0$  for  $d\sigma/d\Omega(\theta) = a+b \cdot \cos(\theta)$

$$\alpha = \frac{d}{d(\cos \theta_\eta)} \ln \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right) \Big|_{\cos \theta_\eta = 0} \quad \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{CM} = \frac{\sigma_{tot}}{4\pi} \cdot (1 + \alpha \cdot \cos \theta_{CM})$$

# Consideration of Higher Partial Waves: P-Waves

- Assumption: Only s- and p-waves

Production operator:

$$\hat{f} = A \vec{\varepsilon} \cdot \hat{p}_p + iB(\vec{\varepsilon} \times \vec{\sigma}) \cdot \hat{p}_p + C \vec{\varepsilon} \cdot \vec{p}_\eta + iD(\vec{\varepsilon} \times \vec{\sigma}) \cdot \vec{p}_\eta$$

A, B: s-wave amplitudes

C, D: p-wave amplitudes

$\varepsilon$ : polarisation vector of the deuteron

C. Wilkin, A.K., et al., PLB 654 (2007) 92

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{p_\eta}{p_p} \overline{|f|^2} = \frac{p_\eta}{3p_p} I$$

$$I = |A|^2 + 2|B|^2 + p_\eta^2 |C|^2 + 2p_\eta^2 |D|^2 + 2p_\eta \operatorname{Re}(A * C + 2B * D) \cos \theta_\eta$$

# Consideration of Higher Partial Waves: P-Waves

- Resulting asymmetry factor:

$$\alpha = 2p_\eta \frac{\operatorname{Re}(A * C + 2B * D)}{|A|^2 + 2|B|^2 + p_\eta^2 |C|^2 + 2p_\eta^2 |D|^2}$$

Assumption:

- Same s-wave amplitudes:  $A = B = f_s$   
energy dependence due to FSI
- Same p-wave amplitudes:  $C = D = \text{const.}$

$$\alpha = 2p_\eta \frac{\operatorname{Re}(f_s^* C)}{|f_s|^2 + p_\eta^2 |C|^2}$$

# Consideration of Higher Partial Waves: P-Waves

- With the asymmetry factor

$$\alpha = 2 p_\eta \frac{\operatorname{Re}(f_s^* C)}{|f_s|^2 + p_\eta^2 |C|^2}$$

and the experimental data from ANKE

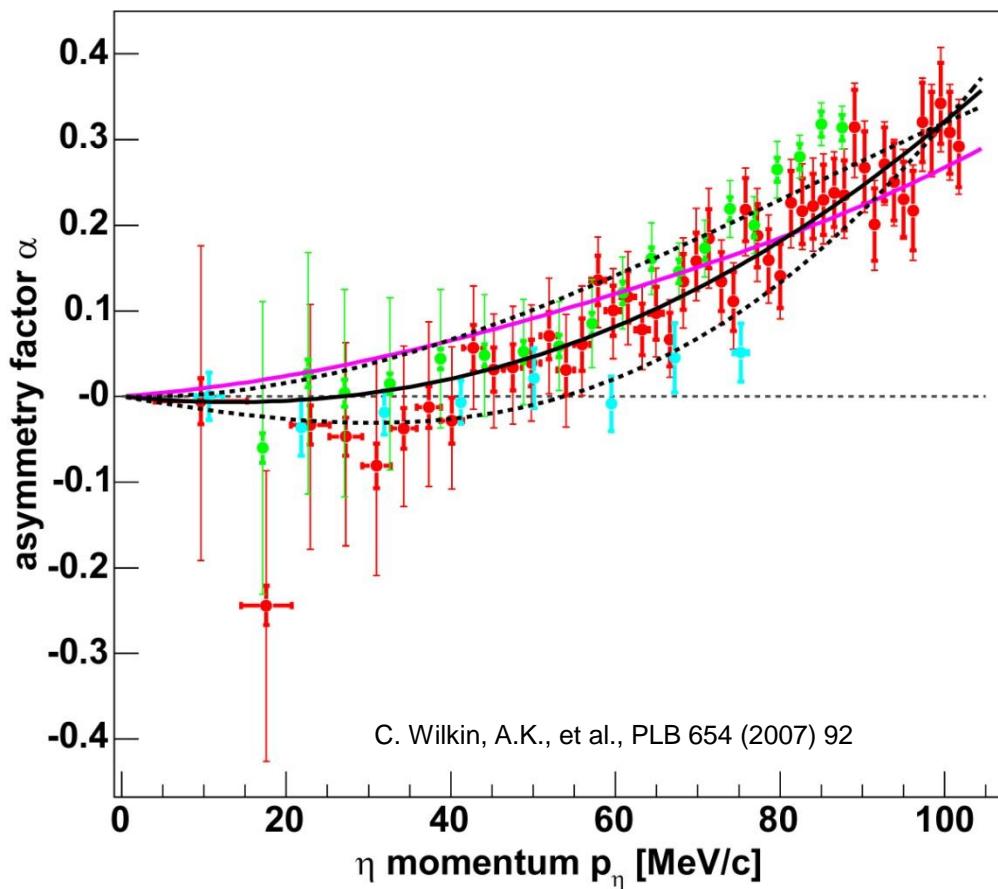
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$$\left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{CM} = \frac{\sigma_{tot}}{4\pi} \cdot (1 + \alpha \cdot \cos \theta_{CM})$$

it is possible to extract the amplitudes iteratively:

$$\sigma = 4\pi \frac{p_\eta}{p_p} \left[ |f_s|^2 + p_\eta^2 |C|^2 \right]$$

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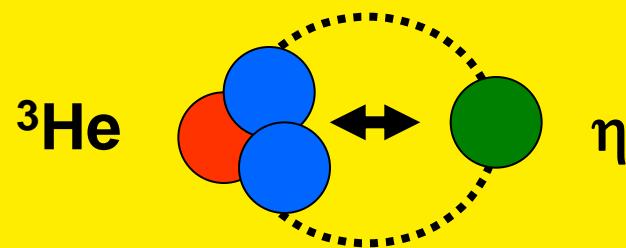


- Very good description of total and differential cross sections
  - Position of the near-threshold pol nearly unaffected  
(same for second pol)
  - Strong phase variation of s-wave
- Black: inclusion of phase variation  
Pink: no phase variation  $|f_s|$

## $\eta$ - ${}^3\text{He}$ -Interaction: Determination of $\text{Pols}$

- Pole close to the reaction threshold
- Position of the near-threshold pole (and scattering length) stable, i.e. nearly independent of fit range
- Large real part of scattering length and  $|a_r| > a_i$
- ANKE data indicate a rapid variation of the phase of the s-wave close to threshold

→ indication for the existence of a bound state



(strong interaction!)

$$|Q_0| = \left| \frac{p_1^2}{2 \cdot m_{red}} \right| = 0.37 \text{ MeV}$$

# Polarized Measurements

Production amplitude for  $d\bar{p} \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} + \eta (\pi^0)$ :

$$f_B = \bar{u}_\tau \vec{p}_p \cdot (A \vec{\varepsilon}_d + iB \vec{\varepsilon}_d \times \vec{\sigma}) u_p$$

Determination of the energy dependence of the **amplitudes A and B** by measurement of:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{p_\eta}{p_p} \left[ |A|^2 + 2|B|^2 \right]$$

$$T_{20} = \sqrt{2} \left[ \frac{|B|^2 - |A|^2}{|A|^2 + 2|B|^2} \right]$$

$$|A|^2 = \frac{p_p}{p_\eta} (1 - \sqrt{2} T_{20}) \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}$$

$$|B|^2 = \frac{p_p}{p_\eta} (1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} T_{20}) \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}$$

$$T_{20} = \frac{2 \cdot \sqrt{2}}{p_{zz}} \cdot \frac{d\sigma_0/d\Omega(\vartheta) - d\sigma_\uparrow/d\Omega(\vartheta)}{d\sigma_0/d\Omega(\vartheta)} \quad \vartheta = 0^\circ \text{ or } 180^\circ$$

see:  
C. Kerboul et al.,  
Phys. Lett. B 181, 28 (1986)

# Polarized Measurements

Assumption:  $\vec{d}p \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} + \eta$

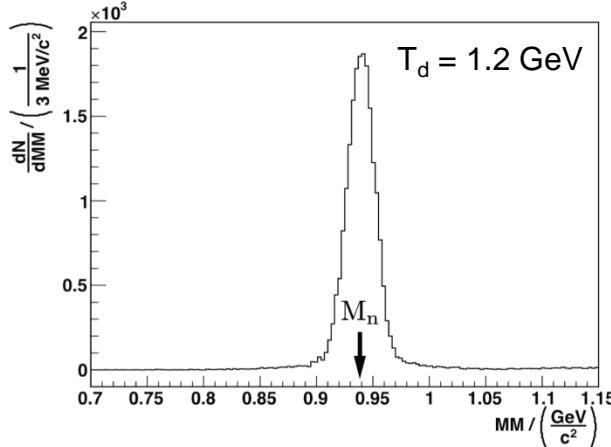
- Negligible effect of ISI
- Energy dependence of  $|f|^2$  only given by FSI
  - Shape of excitation function independent of spins
  - Same energy dependence of amplitudes  $|A|^2$  and  $|B|^2$

$$\begin{aligned}|A|^2 &= |A_0|^2 \cdot FSI(p_\eta) \\|B|^2 &= |B_0|^2 \cdot FSI(p_\eta)\end{aligned}\Rightarrow T_{20} = \sqrt{2} \left[ \frac{|B_0|^2 - |A_0|^2}{|A_0|^2 + 2|B_0|^2} \right] \cdot \frac{FSI(p_\eta)}{FSI(p_\eta)} = \text{const.}$$

- Measure  $T_{20}$  as function of the excess energy

# The Reaction $d+p \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}+\eta$ at ANKE

- Alternating injection of unpolarized and tensor polarized deuterons in COSY
- Ramped COSY beam:  $Q = -5 \text{ MeV} \dots +10 \text{ MeV}$  (300 s)
- Full geometrical acceptance of ANKE for  $d+p \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}+\eta$
- Determination of  $p_{zz}$  by, e.g.,  $d+p \rightarrow (\text{pp})+n$  (analyzing powers known)

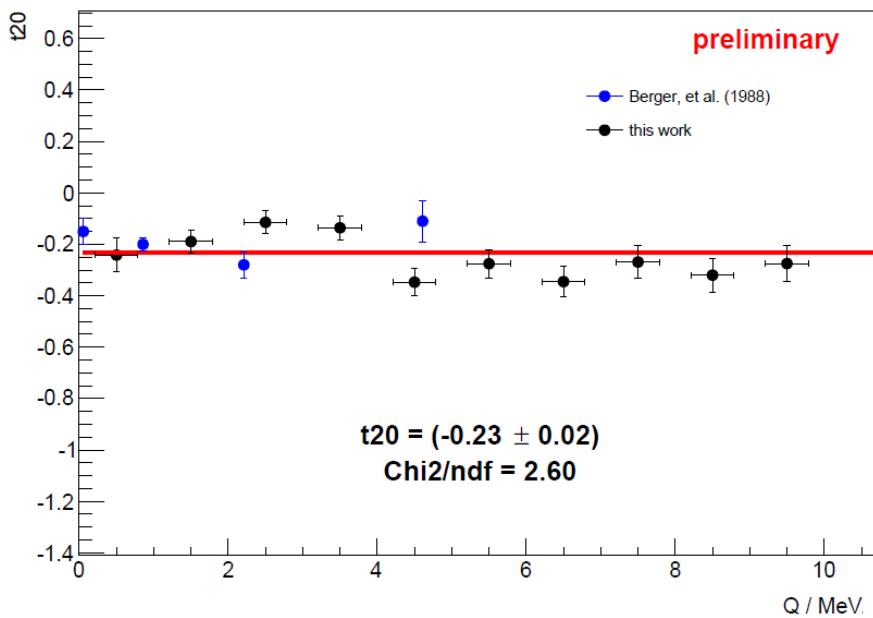


$$\frac{d\sigma_\uparrow}{dt}(q, \varphi) / \frac{d\sigma_0}{dt}(q, \varphi) =$$

$$1 + \sqrt{3} p_z i t_{11}(\vartheta) \cos(\varphi) - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} p_{zz} t_{20}(\vartheta)$$

$$- \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} p_{zz} t_{22}(\vartheta) \cos(2\varphi)$$

# Preliminary Results: $d+p \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}+\eta$



$$T_{20} = \frac{2 \cdot \sqrt{2}}{p_{zz}} \cdot \frac{d\sigma_0/d\Omega(\vartheta) - d\sigma_\uparrow/d\Omega(\vartheta)}{d\sigma_0/d\Omega(\vartheta)}$$

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- Data indicate  $T_{20} = \text{const.}$  close to threshold
- $|T_{20}| \ll 1 \rightarrow |A|^2/|B|^2 = O(1)$
- S-Wave amplitudes  $|A|^2$  and  $|B|^2$  are of similar size

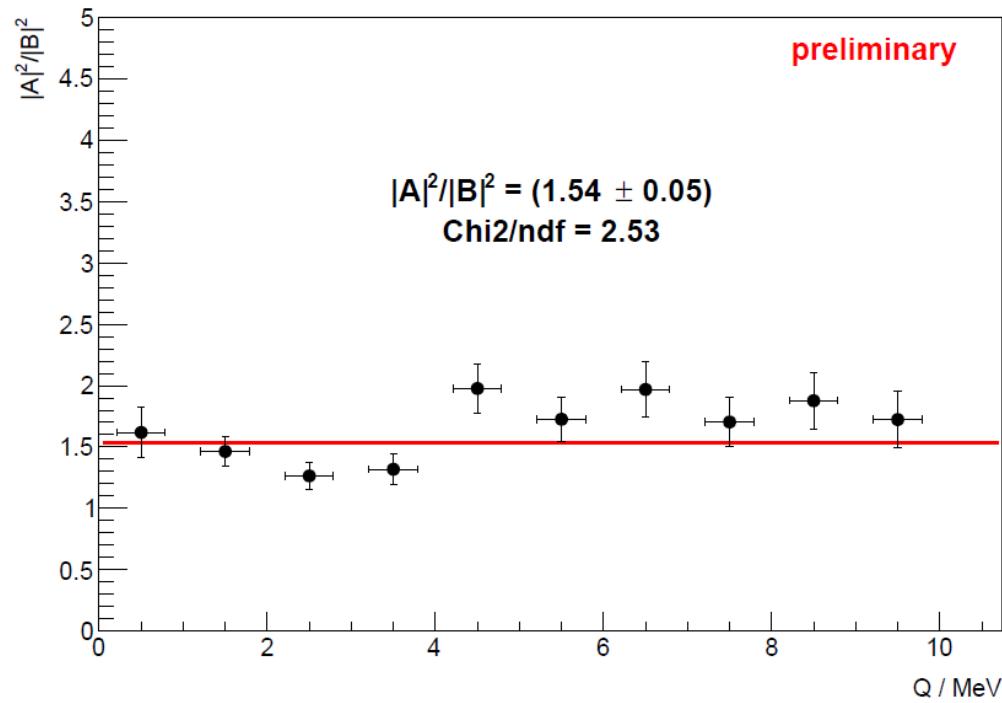
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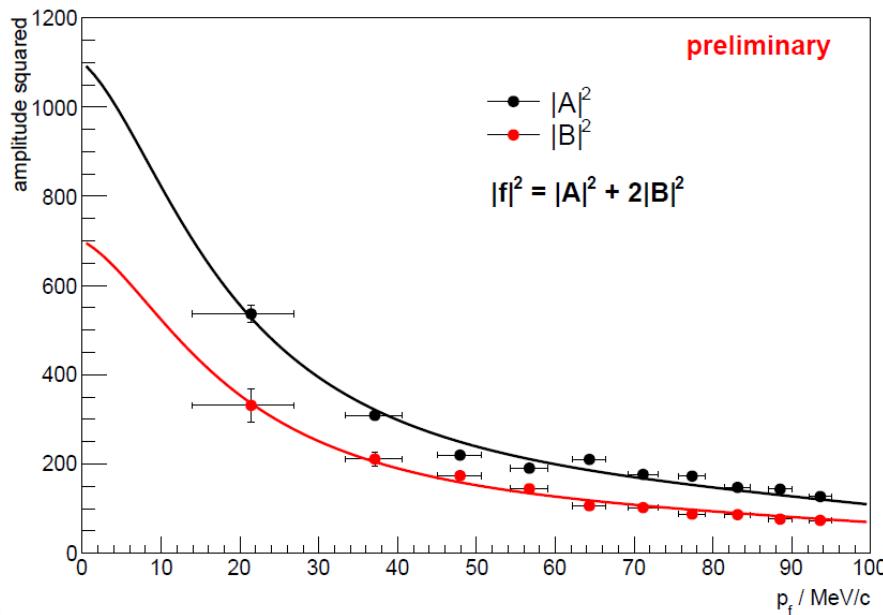
$$\rightarrow \frac{|A|^2}{|B|^2} = \frac{1 - \sqrt{2} \cdot T_{20}}{1 + T_{20}/\sqrt{2}}$$

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# Preliminary Results: $d+p \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}+\eta$

- Energy dependence of  $|f|^2$  known from „old“ unpolarized measurements  
 $\rightarrow |A|^2(p_f)$  and  $|B|^2(p_f)$  can be calculated



$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{p_\eta}{p_p} \left[ |A|^2 + 2|B|^2 \right]$$

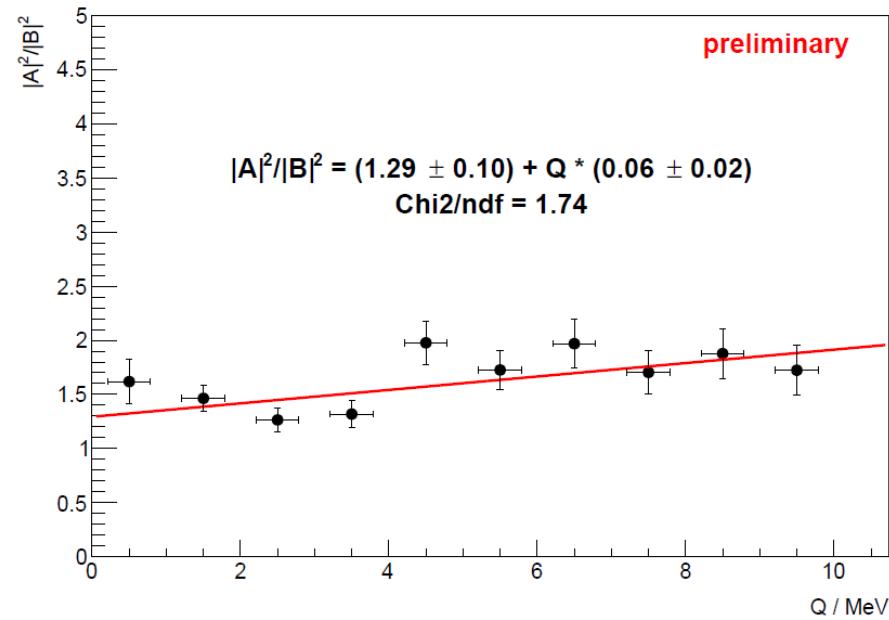
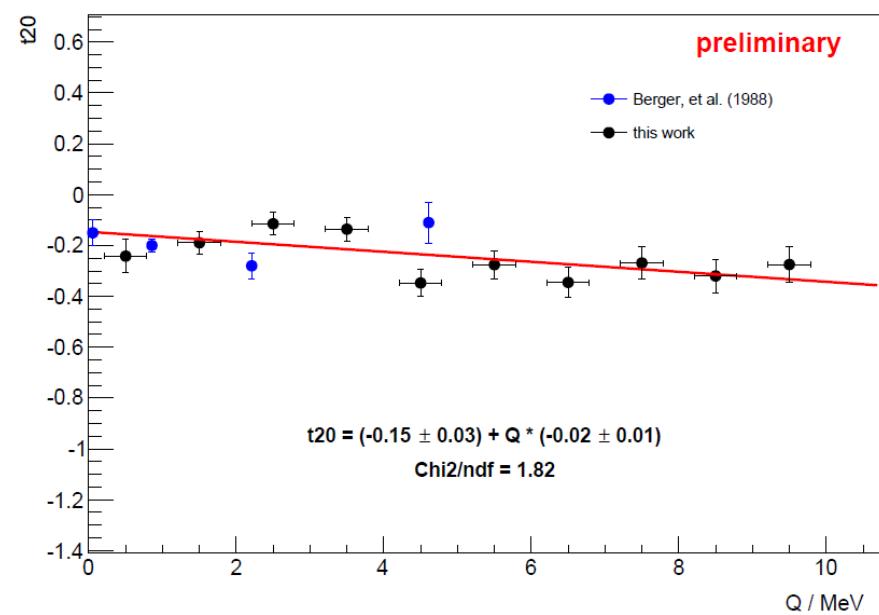
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- Allow for an energy dependence of  $|A|^2/|B|^2$ :  
 → Test: Different energy dependence of  $|A|^2(p_f)$  and  $|B|^2(p_f)$  ?

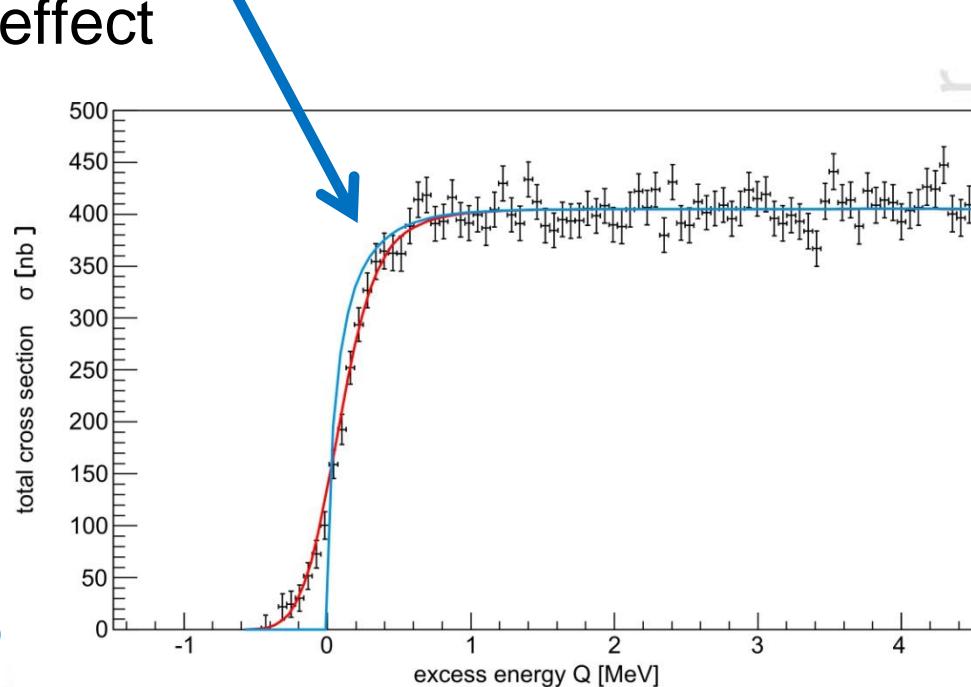
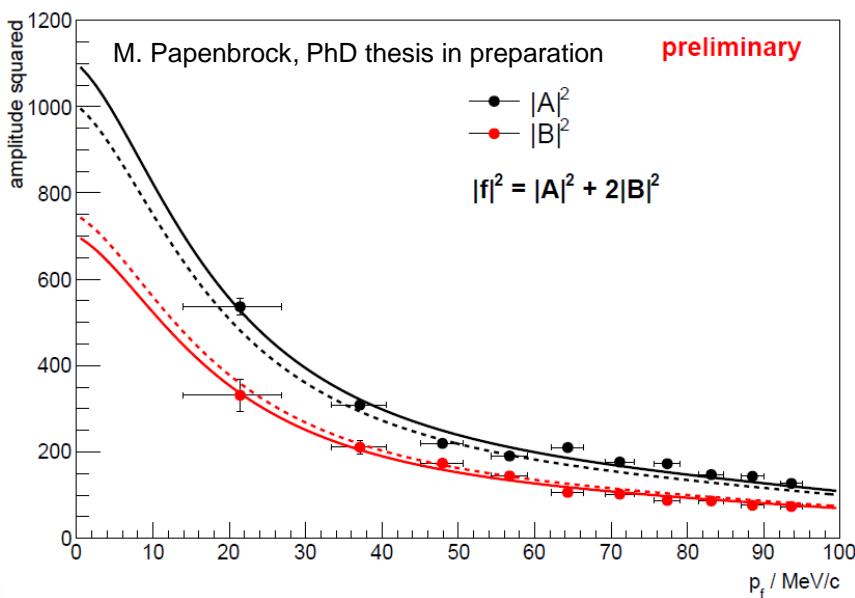


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$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{p_\eta}{p_p} \left[ |A|^2 + 2|B|^2 \right] \quad \frac{|A|^2}{|B|^2} = m \cdot Q + n$$

## Preliminary Results: $d+p \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}+\eta$

- No significant different energy dependence of  $|A|^2$  and  $|B|^2$
- Remarkable excitation function of  $d+p \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}+\eta$  still an indication for very strong FSI effect

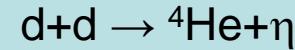
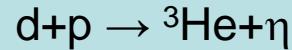


## Next Steps:

- Finalize data analysis
- Quantification of  $T_{20}$  and  $|A|^2/|B|^2$
- Estimation (or upper limits) for non-FSI effect
- Evaluation of effect on pole position or scattering length

In parallel:

- Analysis of new ANKE data on  $p+n \rightarrow d+\eta$  via  $p+d \rightarrow d+\eta+p_{\text{spec}}$
- Comparison of results from:



## Summary

- The ANKE data on the  $\eta$ - ${}^3\text{He}$  system exposes an unexpected strong final state interaction
- The energy dependence of  $\sigma_{\text{total}}$  and  $d\sigma/d\Omega$  indicates a radial s-wave phase variation at threshold
- Preliminary tensor polarized data support the strong FSI interpretation
- The  $\eta$ - ${}^3\text{He}$  system is a good candidate for a bound meson-nucleus state (strong interaction)
- New data the  $d\eta$  system will allow for further tests on the pole positions as function of the nucleus mass

Thank you very much....

