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Abstract

This work is devoted to a theoretical study of the reaction of resonant scattering of protons by nuclei ${}^8\text{He}$ and ${}^6\text{He}$. To study proton scattering on the nucleus ${}^8\text{He}$ the two-channel approximation of the strong coupling of channels is used. Main assumption is isospin symmetry of nuclear interaction, so the interaction between clusters can be represented as a sum of isospin pure terms.

To study proton scattering on the nucleus ${}^6\text{He}$ we use a more advanced, five-channel approach. The systems ${}^6\text{Li}$ and ${}^6\text{He}$ are considered as three-body cluster form α -N-N. The the interaction of the nucleon with such a system was divided into the interaction with the α -particle and with two external nucleons. For our calculations, we used several of the most modern phenomenological nucleon-nucleon potentials, including spin and isospin exchange operators.

Two-channel model

In the framework of this model, a two-channel scattering problem with the following channels is considered:

1. ${}^8\text{He}(0^+, 2) + p$
2. ${}^8\text{Li}^*(0^+, 2) + n$

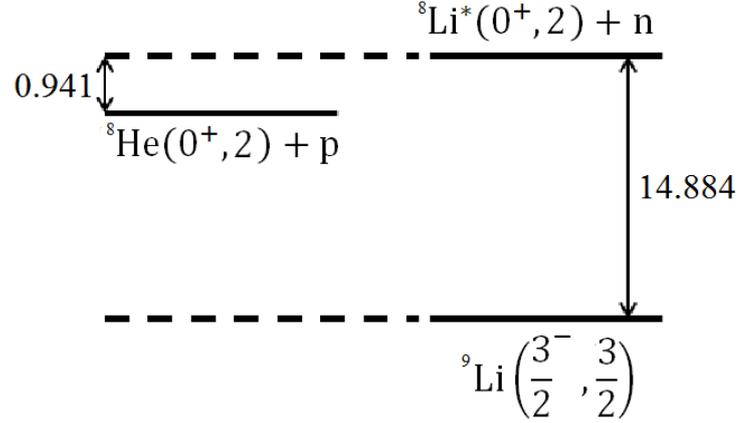


Fig. 1. Two-channel scattering scheme.

Consider the following wave functions in a cluster representation: $\Psi_{{}^8\text{He}+p} \equiv |{}^8\text{He} + p\rangle$ and $\Psi_{{}^8\text{Li}+n} \equiv |{}^8\text{Li}^* + n\rangle$. Using wave functions with a certain isospin $\Psi_{T,T_3} \equiv |T, T_3\rangle$, we can rewrite these wave functions in the following form:

$$|{}^8\text{He} + p\rangle = C_{2-2\ 1/2\ 1/2}^{3/2\ -3/2} |3/2, -3/2\rangle + C_{2-2\ 1/2\ 1/2}^{5/2\ -3/2} |5/2, -3/2\rangle$$

$$|{}^8\text{Li}^* + n\rangle = C_{2-1\ 1/2\ -1/2}^{3/2\ -3/2} |3/2, -3/2\rangle + C_{2-1\ 1/2\ -1/2}^{5/2\ -3/2} |5/2, -3/2\rangle$$

That is:

$$|{}^8\text{He} + p\rangle = -\sqrt{\frac{4}{5}} |3/2, -3/2\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{1}{5}} |5/2, -3/2\rangle$$

$$|{}^8\text{Li}^* + n\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{1}{5}} |3/2, -3/2\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{4}{3}} |5/2, -1/2\rangle$$

On the other hand:

$$|3/2, -3/2\rangle = -\sqrt{\frac{4}{5}} |{}^8\text{He} + p\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{1}{5}} |{}^8\text{Li}^* + n\rangle$$

$$|5/2, -3/2\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{1}{5}} |{}^8\text{He} + p\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{4}{5}} |{}^8\text{Li}^* + n\rangle$$

Main assumption is isospin symmetry of nuclear interaction, so the interaction between clusters can be represented as a sum of isospin pure terms:

$\hat{V} = \hat{P}_{3/2}V_{3/2} + \hat{P}_{5/2}V_{5/2}$, where projection operators can be written as:

$$\hat{P}_{3/2} = |3/2, -3/2\rangle\langle 3/2, -3/2|$$

$$\hat{P}_{5/2} = |5/2, -3/2\rangle\langle 5/2, -3/2|$$

and their matrix elements are:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle {}^8\text{Li}^* + n | \hat{P}_{3/2} | {}^8\text{Li}^* + n \rangle &= 1/5 & \langle {}^8\text{Li}^* + n | \hat{P}_{5/2} | {}^8\text{Li}^* + n \rangle &= 4/5 \\ \langle {}^8\text{Li}^* + n | \hat{P}_{3/2} | {}^8\text{He} + p \rangle &= -2/5 & \langle {}^8\text{Li}^* + n | \hat{P}_{5/2} | {}^8\text{He} + p \rangle &= 2/5 \\ \langle {}^8\text{He} + p | \hat{P}_{3/2} | {}^8\text{He} + p \rangle &= 4/5 & \langle {}^8\text{He} + p | \hat{P}_{5/2} | {}^8\text{He} + p \rangle &= 1/5 \end{aligned}$$

So, from Schroedinger equation we get a system of two coupled equations:

$$\begin{cases} \left(T - E + V_{coul} + \frac{4V_{3/2} + V_{5/2}}{5} \right) \Psi_{8\text{He}+p} + \frac{2}{5} (V_{5/2} - V_{3/2}) \Psi_{8\text{Li}+n} = 0 \\ \left(T - (E - 0.941) + \frac{V_{1/2} + 2V_{3/2}}{5} \right) \Psi_{8\text{Li}+n} + \frac{2}{5} (V_{5/2} - V_{3/2}) \Psi_{8\text{He}+p} = 0 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where E is energy in the ${}^8\text{He}(0^+, 2) + p$ channel.

The solutions of the system (1) can be obtained for different parameters $V_{5/2}$ and $V_{3/2}$. Consider the most obvious boundary cases.

1) $V_{5/2} = V_{3/2}$.

In this case, the system of coupled equations (1) turns into a system of unrelated equations. We observe a pure channel function $\Psi_{8\text{He}+p}$, mixed by isospin in initial proportions.

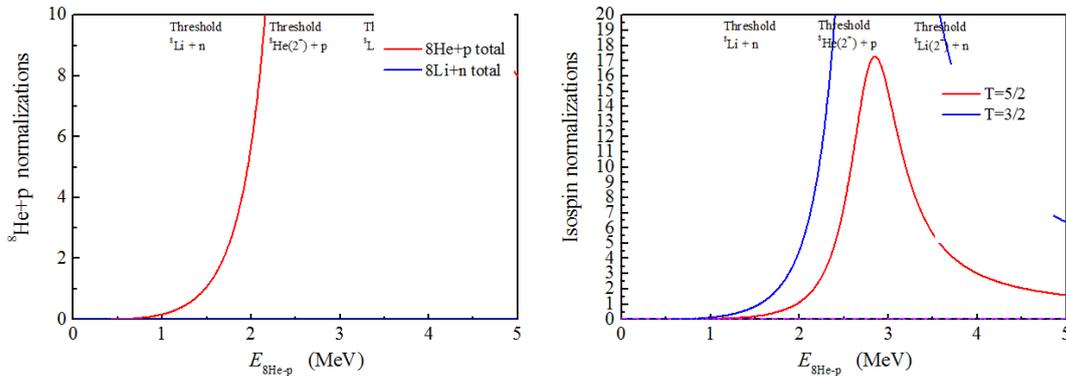


Fig. 2. The case of $V_{5/2} = V_{3/2}$.

2) $V_{3/2} = 0$.

In this case, we see mixed channel functions, but isospin becomes pure $T = 5/2$.

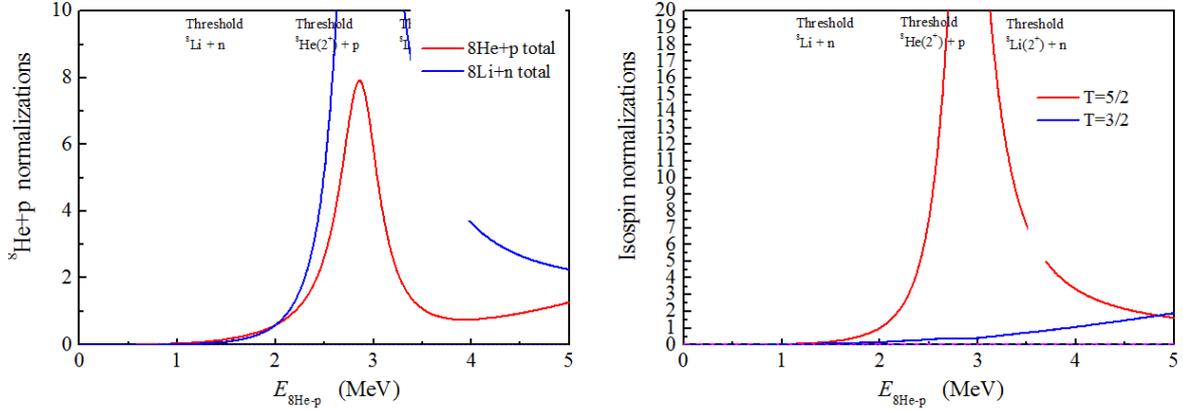


Fig. 3. The case of $V_{3/2} = 0$.

3) $V_{5/2} = 0$.

Similarly to case 2), we observe mixed channel functions, and the isospin becomes pure $T = 3/2$.

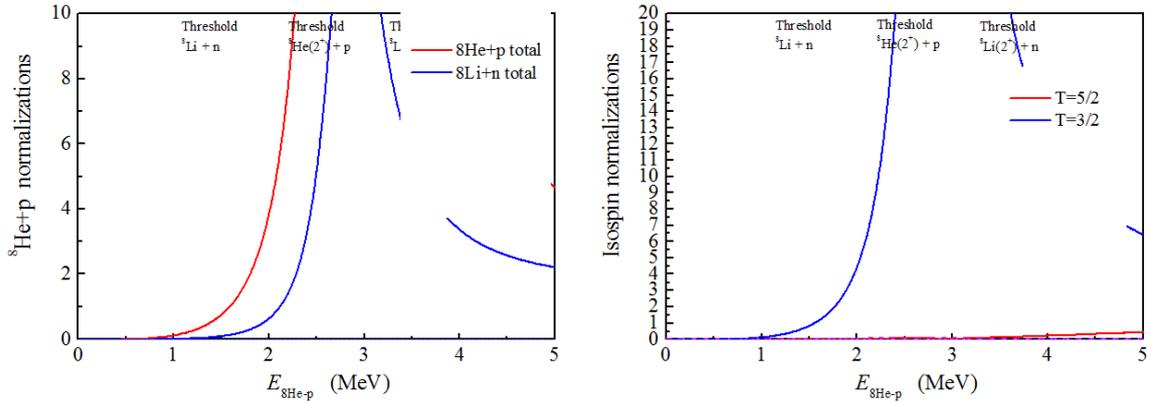


Fig. 4. The case of $V_{5/2} = 0$.

Five-channel model

In the framework of this model, a five-channel scattering problem with the following channels is considered:

1. ${}^6\text{Li}(1^+, 0) + n$
2. ${}^6\text{He}(0^+, 1) + p$
3. ${}^6\text{Li}^*(0^+, 1) + n$
4. ${}^6\text{He}^*(2^+, 1) + p$
5. ${}^6\text{Li}^*(2^+, 1) + n$

$$\begin{array}{r}
{}^6\text{He}^*(2^+, 1) + p \quad \frac{11.771}{9.974} \\
{}^6\text{He}(0^+, 1) + p \quad \frac{9.974}{9.974}
\end{array}
\qquad
\begin{array}{r}
\frac{12.621}{10.814} {}^6\text{Li}^*(2^+, 1) + n \\
\frac{10.814}{7.251} {}^6\text{Li}^*(0^+, 1) + n \\
\frac{7.251}{7.251} {}^6\text{Li}(1^+, 0) + n
\end{array}$$

$${}^7\text{Li} \left(\frac{3^-}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

Fig. 5. Two-channel scattering scheme.

The systems ${}^6\text{Li}$ and ${}^6\text{He}$ can be represented with good accuracy in the cluster form α -N-N.

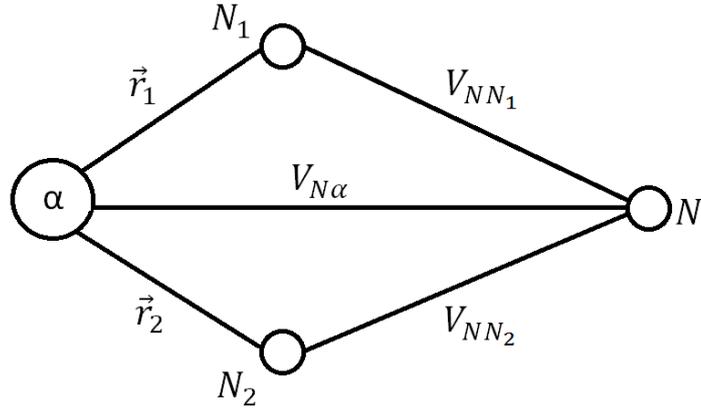


Fig. 6. The cluster form α -N-N of the systems ${}^6\text{Li}$ and ${}^6\text{He}$.

Then the interaction of the nucleon with such a system can be divided into the interaction with the α -particle and with two external nucleons. Thus, inter-channel interactions can be written as follows:

$$V_{ij} = V_{\alpha N}(r)\delta_{ij} + \int d\xi_1 d\xi_2 \Psi_j(\xi, \xi_1, \xi_2) \sum_k V_{NN_k}(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_k, \vec{\sigma}, \vec{\sigma}_k, \vec{\tau}, \vec{\tau}_k) \Psi_i(\xi, \xi_1, \xi_2)$$

where the coordinate ξ - includes radial, spin and isospin variables.

For convenience, we will use the effective α N-interaction $V_{\alpha N}(r)$ parameterized by a Gaussian:

$$V_{\alpha N}(r) = V_0^{(\alpha)} e^{(-r/r_0^{(\alpha)})^2},$$

where $V_0^{(\alpha)} = -47.32 \text{ MeV}$ for p-wave interaction, $r_0^{(\alpha)} = 2.30 \text{ fm}$.

The effective nucleon-nucleon interaction was chosen in the following representation:

$$V_{NN_k}(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_k, \vec{\sigma}, \vec{\sigma}_k, \vec{\tau}, \vec{\tau}_k) = V_c(|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_k|)[W + BP_\sigma - HP_\tau - MP_\sigma P_\tau],$$

$$\text{где } P_\sigma = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \vec{\sigma}\vec{\sigma}_k), P_\tau = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \vec{\tau}\vec{\tau}_k), V_c(|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_k|) = V_0 e^{-(|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_k|/\mu)^2}$$

Or in another, more convenient way:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{NN_k}(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_k, \vec{\sigma}, \vec{\sigma}_k, \vec{\tau}, \vec{\tau}_k) \\ = V_c(|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_k|)[a_0 + a_\sigma(\vec{\sigma}\vec{\sigma}_k) + a_\tau(\vec{\tau}\vec{\tau}_k) + a_{\sigma\tau}(\vec{\sigma}\vec{\sigma}_k)(\vec{\tau}\vec{\tau}_k)] \end{aligned}$$

In the literature [2-5] there are many sets of parameters for this interaction. In this paper, we use two different and most modern sets of parameters:

Table 1. The parameters of various two-nucleon potentials used in this report.

Name	Range $\mu \text{ (fm}^{-2}\text{)}$	Strength $V_0 \text{ (MeV)}$	a_0	a_σ	a_τ	$a_{\sigma\tau}$
Hasegawa #2	0.16	-6	0.0313	0.0104	-0.0313	-0.2882
	1.127	-546	0.3569	-0.0382	-0.1234	-0.1037
	3.4	1655	0.3722	0.0489	-0.1259	-0.0996
TT	0.46	-72.98	-0.9608	-0.0868	-0.1793	-0.0241

We assume that nucleons in ${}^6\text{He}$ and ${}^6\text{Li}$ are occupying only $p_{3/2}$ shells and use oscillator radial wave functions of the p-shell nucleons N_1 and N_2 :

$$\varphi_k(r) = \sqrt{\frac{8}{3\sqrt{\pi} r_0}} \frac{r}{r_0^{5/2}} e^{-\frac{r^2}{2r_0^2}}$$

where $r_0 = 2.73$ for nucleons in the ${}^6\text{He}$ and $r_0 = 2.43$ for nucleons in the ${}^6\text{Li}$.

We decompose the central interaction into multipoles:

$$V_c(|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_k|) = \sum_l V_l(r, r_k) \frac{4\pi}{2l+1} (Y_l(\theta, \varphi) \cdot Y_l(\theta_k, \varphi_k))$$

The expansion coefficients are found by the following formula:

$$V_l(r, r_k) = \frac{2l+1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 V_0 e^{-(|\vec{r}-\vec{r}_k|\mu)^2} P_l(\cos\theta) d\cos\theta$$

Thus, for transition potentials, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{ij} &= V_0^{(\alpha)} e^{-(r/r_0^{(\alpha)})^2} \\ &+ 2\pi \int dr_1 \varphi_{j(r_1)} \varphi_{i(r_1)} r_1^2 \int_{-1}^1 V_0 e^{-(|\vec{r}-\vec{r}_1|\mu)^2} P_l(\cos\theta) d\cos\theta \int dr_2 dr_2 \varphi_{j(r_2)} \varphi_{i(r_2)} r_2^2 B_l^{(1)} \\ &+ 2\pi \int dr_2 \varphi_{j(r_2)} \varphi_{i(r_2)} r_2^2 \int_{-1}^1 V_0 e^{-(|\vec{r}-\vec{r}_2|\mu)^2} P_l(\cos\theta) d\cos\theta \int dr_1 dr_1 \varphi_{j(r_1)} \varphi_{i(r_1)} r_1^2 B_l^{(2)} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$B_l^{(k)} = \left\langle \left[[j_1 \otimes j_2]_{j_0} \otimes j \right]_j \left| (Y_l(\hat{r}) \cdot Y_l(\hat{r}_k)) (a_0 + a_\sigma (\vec{\sigma}_k) + a_\tau (\vec{\tau}_k) + a_{\sigma\tau} (\vec{\sigma}_k) (\vec{\tau}_k)) \right| \left[[j'_1 \otimes j'_2]_{j'_0} \otimes j' \right]_{j'} \right\rangle$$

– angular matrix element; j_1, j_2, j'_1, j'_2 – angular momenta of nucleons N_1 and N_2 in the initial and final state, respectively; j and j' – angular momenta of the external nucleon N in the initial and final state, respectively.

We consider the case, when the seven-nucleon system has a total angular momentum $J^\pi = 3/2^-$. Then we have the following values of the corresponding parts of the angular matrix element for $l = 0$:

Table 2. Values of the corresponding parts of the angular matrix element for $l = 0$.

Channel	11	12	13	14	15	22	23	24	25	33	34	35	44	45	55
\hat{V}_c	0.159	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.159	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.159	0.000	0.000	0.159	0.000	0.159
\hat{V}_σ	0.020	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.061	0.000	0.061
\hat{V}_τ	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.265	0.075	0.000	0.000	-0.212	0.000	0.000	-0.265	0.075	-0.212
$\hat{V}_{\sigma\tau}$	0.000	0.125	-0.088	0.089	-0.063	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.102	0.029	-0.082

and for $l = 2$:

Table 3. Values of the corresponding parts of the angular matrix element for $l = 2$.

Channel	11	12	13	14	15	22	23	24	25	33	34	35	44	45	55
\hat{V}_c	0.051	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.071	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.036	0.000	0.000	0.000
\hat{V}_σ	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.071	0.000	0.071
\hat{V}_τ	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.070	-0.049	0.000	0.000	-0.119	0.034	0.000	0.034	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
$\hat{V}_{\sigma\tau}$	0.000	0.004	-0.003	0.041	-0.029	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.119	0.034	-0.095

Then, using the effective nucleon-nucleon potential “Hasegawa # 2” for inter-channel potentials V_{ij} we have:

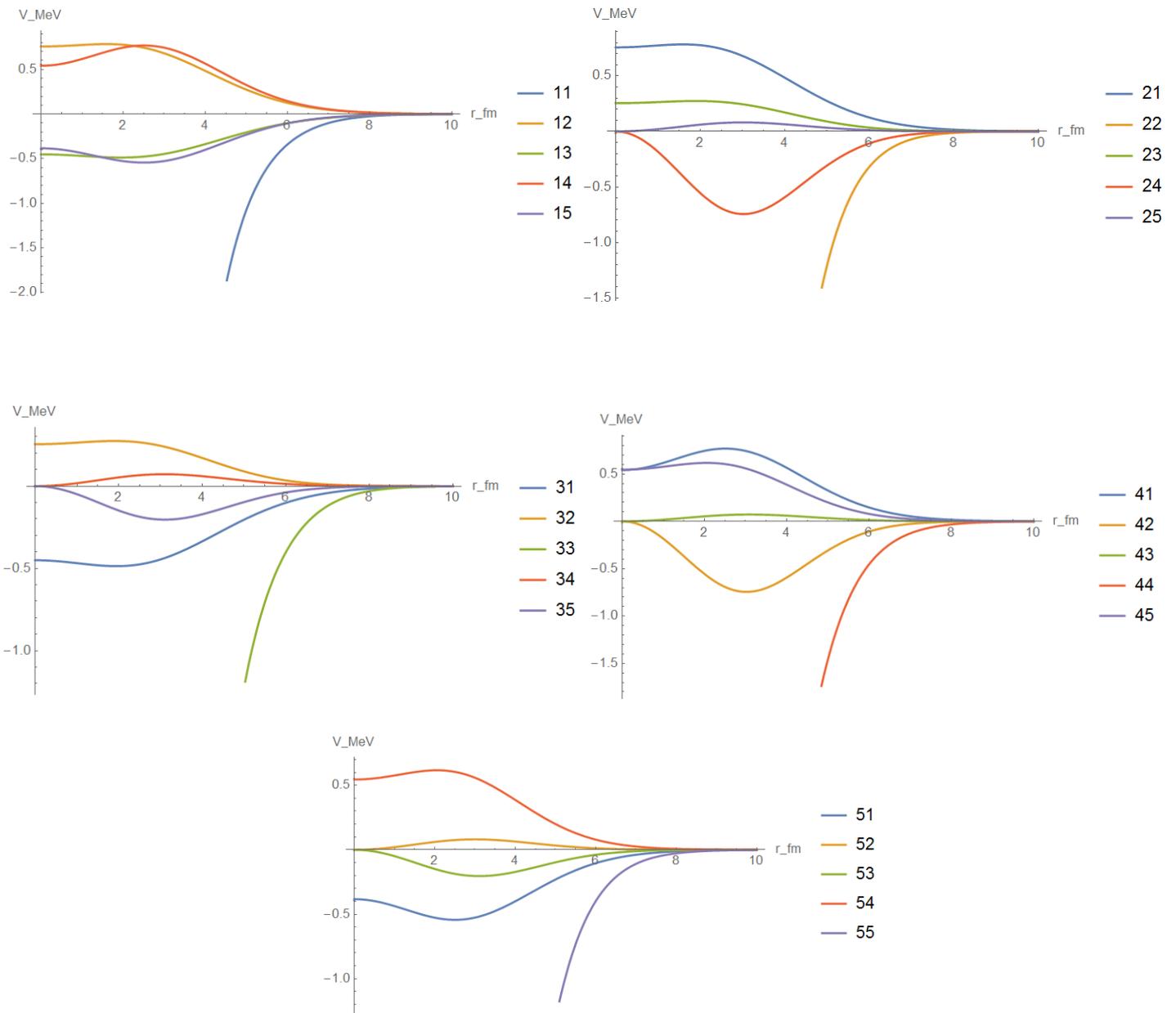


Fig. 7. Inter-channel potentials V_{ij} with using effective NN-potential “Hasegawa # 2”.

And using the effective nucleon-nucleon potential “TT”:

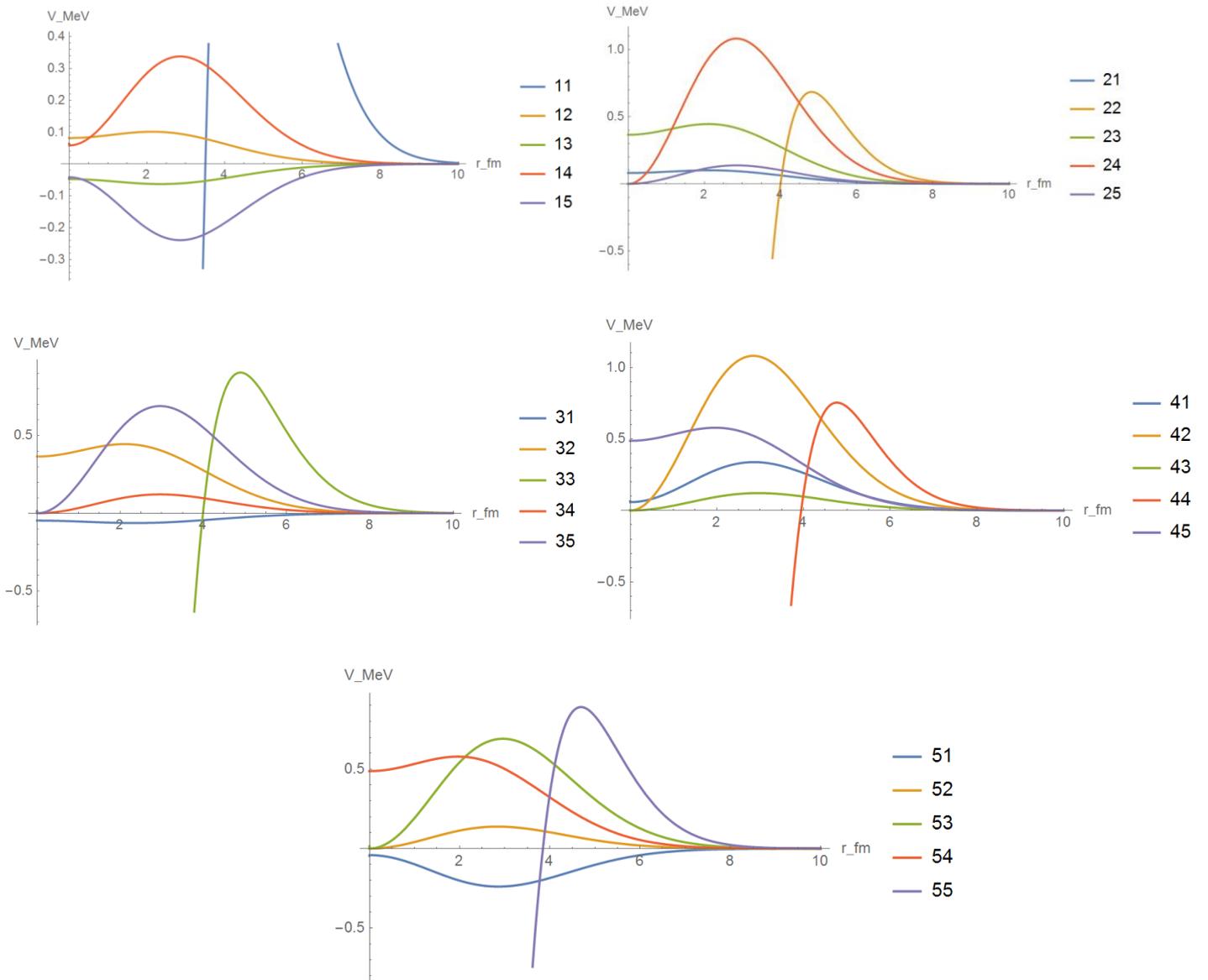


Fig. 8. Inter-channel potentials V_{ij} with using effective NN-potential “TT”.

Conclusion

We studied the scattering of protons on the ${}^8\text{He}$ in a two-channel approach and examined the boundary cases when the interactions $V_{3/2}$ и $V_{5/2}$ with pure isospin are either equal to each other, or each of them is equal to zero in separately.

To study proton scattering on the nucleus ${}^6\text{He}$ we use a more advanced, five-channel approach. We found the angular matrix elements for each of the parts of the phenomenological nucleon-nucleon potential, and also calculated the diagonal and non-diagonal inter-channel interactions V_{ij} .

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