#### Transition form factor of the <sup>4</sup>He(M0<sup>+</sup>)-Resonance Bormio Winter Conference 2019

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Does it mean everything is well explained in EFT ?

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- Cryogenic helium target with aluminium cell
- Density of <sup>4</sup>He inside cell  $200 \times$  larger than He under std. cond.





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- Investigation background, luminosity, det. efficiency, rad. corrections





- Ground- and ex. states of <sup>27</sup>Al simulated
- Empty cell measurements to improve simulations of <sup>27</sup>AI





- <sup>27</sup>Al quasi elastic simulation
- Becomes dominant at higher  $m_{
  m miss}$







• <sup>4</sup>He ground state: Well measured!

C.R. Ottermann et. al, Nucl. Physics A 436(4), (1985)

• Simulation of el. line used to double-check / normalise data





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M. Vanderhaeghen et al., Phys. Rev. C62, (2000)



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- $\bullet\,$  centr. value and FWHM  $\Gamma_0$  are needed to sample the distributions
- $\Gamma_0$  not well known: determine  $\Gamma_0$
- $\bullet\,$  Scanning a range of diff.  $\Gamma_0$  and optimising simul. to data



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#### Intermezzo: FWHM $\Gamma_0$ of the resonance peak

- $\Gamma_0$  for two background & res. models independently
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- 44 setups, 3 beam energies, with two spectrometers (spec A & spec B)





- Result of  $|\mathrm{FF}_{\mathrm{M0}^+}(Q^2)|^2$  in agreement with older data
- None of the theories can describe the data





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• Turn is now to the theory:

There is no theory on the market to describe  $|FF_{M0^+}(Q^2)|^2$  well!

• Improved measurement of  $\Gamma_0$  by MAGIX target (S. Aulenbacher)

# Thanks for Your Attention!







#### Form factor ratio



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#### <sup>4</sup>He quasi elastic

• Inclusion of 2-body break-up and 3-4 body break-up



#### Data-to-background ratio

• Ratio of data to background, normalised to max. at 19.85 MeV



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