STRUCTURE OF THE WEAKLY-BOUND ⁸He VIA DIRECT REACTIONS ON PROTON TARGET

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Angular distributions of the elastic and inelastic scattering to the first 2^+ state of ⁸He on a proton target were measured at 15.7A.MeV, using the Spiral facility at GANIL. Other direct reactions 8 He(p,d)⁷He g.s. [1] and (p,t) were measured simultaneously. The light charged particles (p,d,t) were unambiguously identified and measured in the MUST telescope array. The excitation spectra for the ⁸He and the unbound ⁷He [1] were extracted. The (p,d) cross sections are large compared to the elastic ones [1,2]. To include the strong coupling effects of the 8 He(p,d)⁷He g.s. on the 8 He(p,p'), the data were analyzed within the framework of the coupled-reaction-channel (CRC) method [3 and ref. therein]. The ⁸He(p,p') and transfer ⁸He(p,d) reactions were included in the channel coupling scheme of the continuum discretized coupled channel calculations. The entrance channel potential and transition form factor from ground state (gs) to 2^+ state were calculated within the framework of the microscopic complex JLM [4] nucleon-nucleus potential using the microscopic 8He gs and transition densities, generated by the no-core shell model [5]. Including explicitly the coupling to the (p,d), the (p,p) reaction is well reproduced [2]. It is shown that this coupling changes deeply the features of the entrance potential and strongly affects the extraction of the structure information. These results recall that, in general, it is essential to measure the (p,d) reaction and include it explicitly in the analysis of the (p,p') scattering if correct information on structure is to be drawn.

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