

NUMERICAL IMPROVEMENTS ON S-WAVE PENETRATION FOR GAMOW FACTOR

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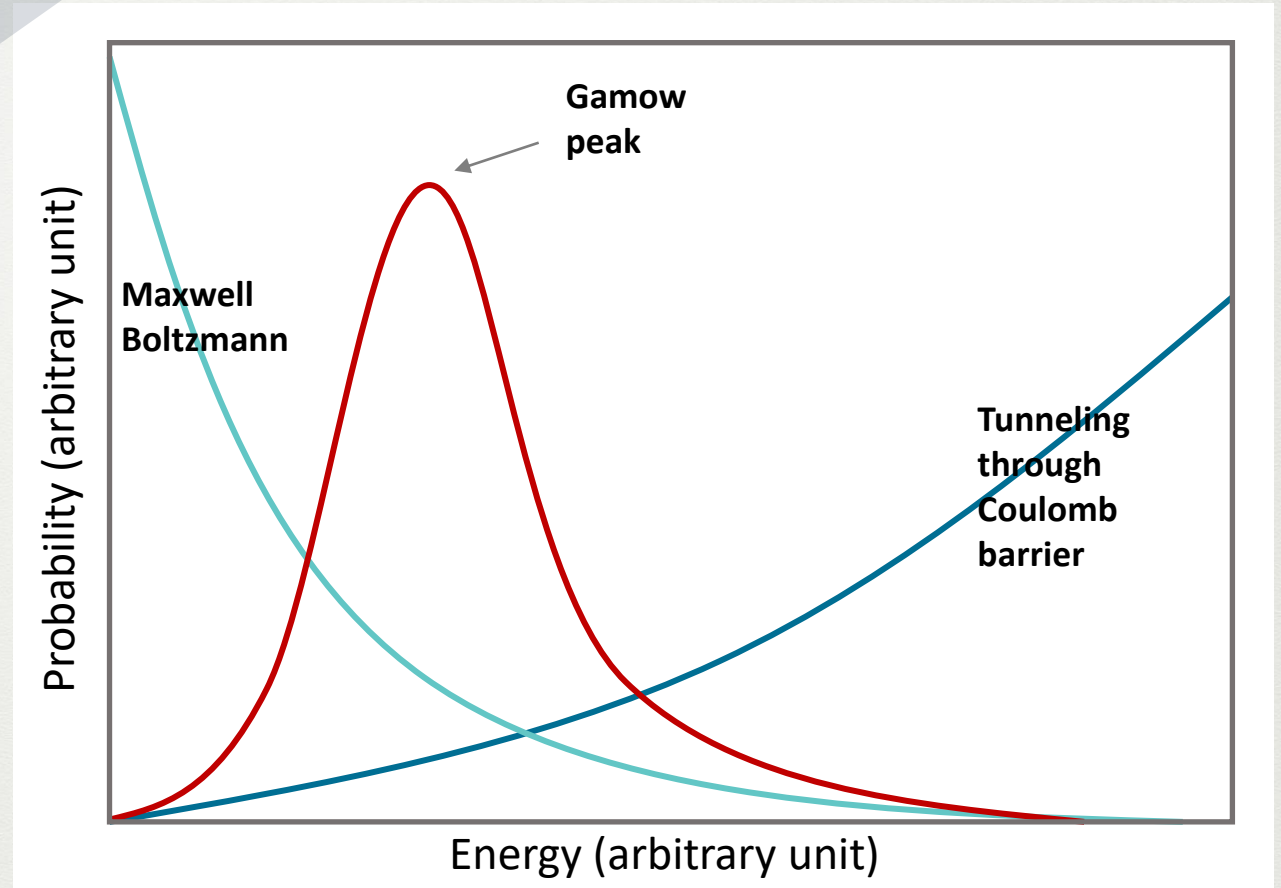
I. Motivation

- Thermonuclear reaction rate

$$\begin{aligned}\langle\sigma v\rangle &\propto \int E e^{-\frac{E}{T}} \sigma(E) dE \\ &= \int e^{-\frac{E}{T}} e^{-2\pi\eta} S(E) dE\end{aligned}\quad \begin{aligned}\sigma(E) &\equiv \frac{1}{E} e^{-2\pi\eta} S(E) \\ e^{-2\pi\eta} &: \text{Gamow factor} \\ S(E) &: \text{astrophysical S-factor}\end{aligned}$$

- Gamow factor

$$e^{-2\pi\eta} = \exp\left(-2\sqrt{2\mu} \int_{R_0}^{R_c} \sqrt{\frac{Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{r} - E} dr\right)$$



- The Gamow factor comes from the assumption that the energy is much smaller than the Coulomb barrier.

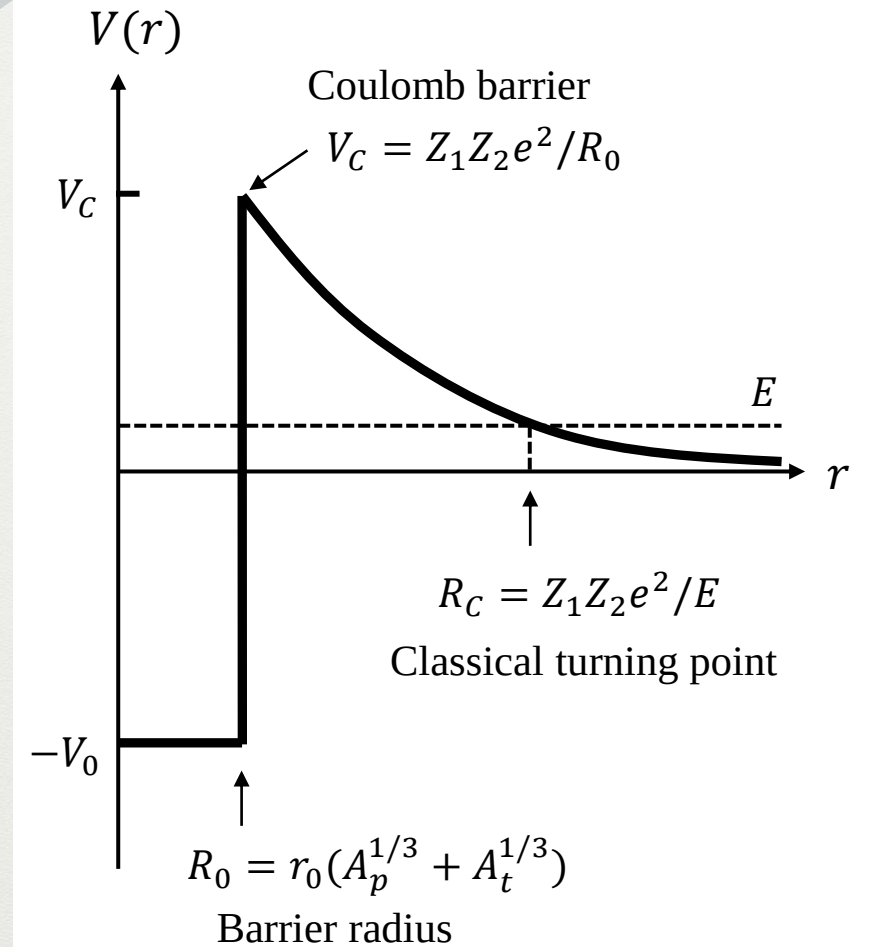
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$d + p$	0.5309	2	1	1	1
$t + d$	0.4440	3	2	1	1
$t + \alpha$	0.7921	3	4	1	2
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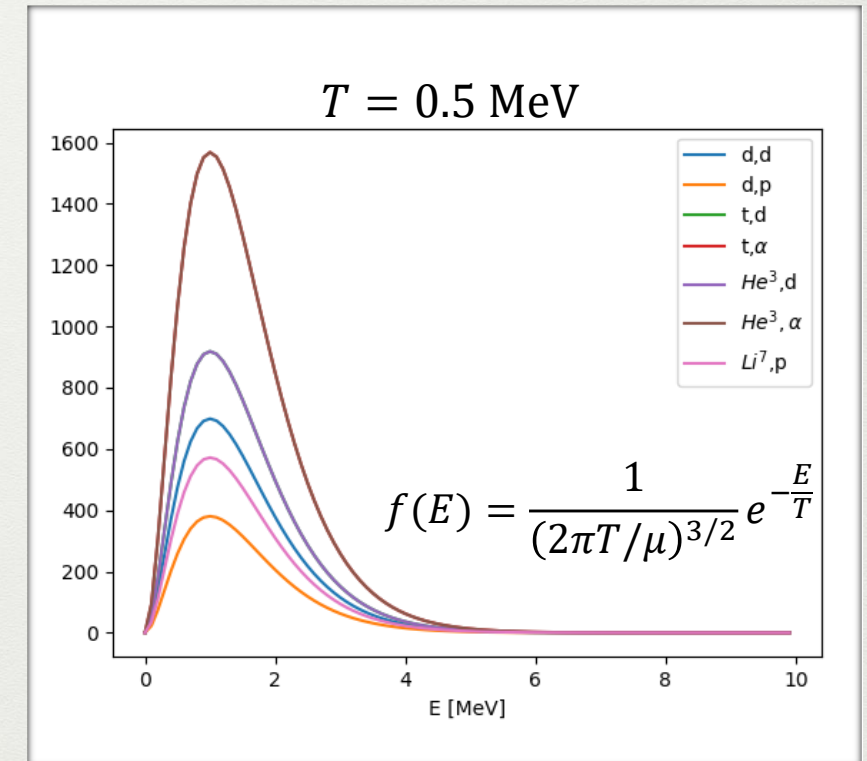
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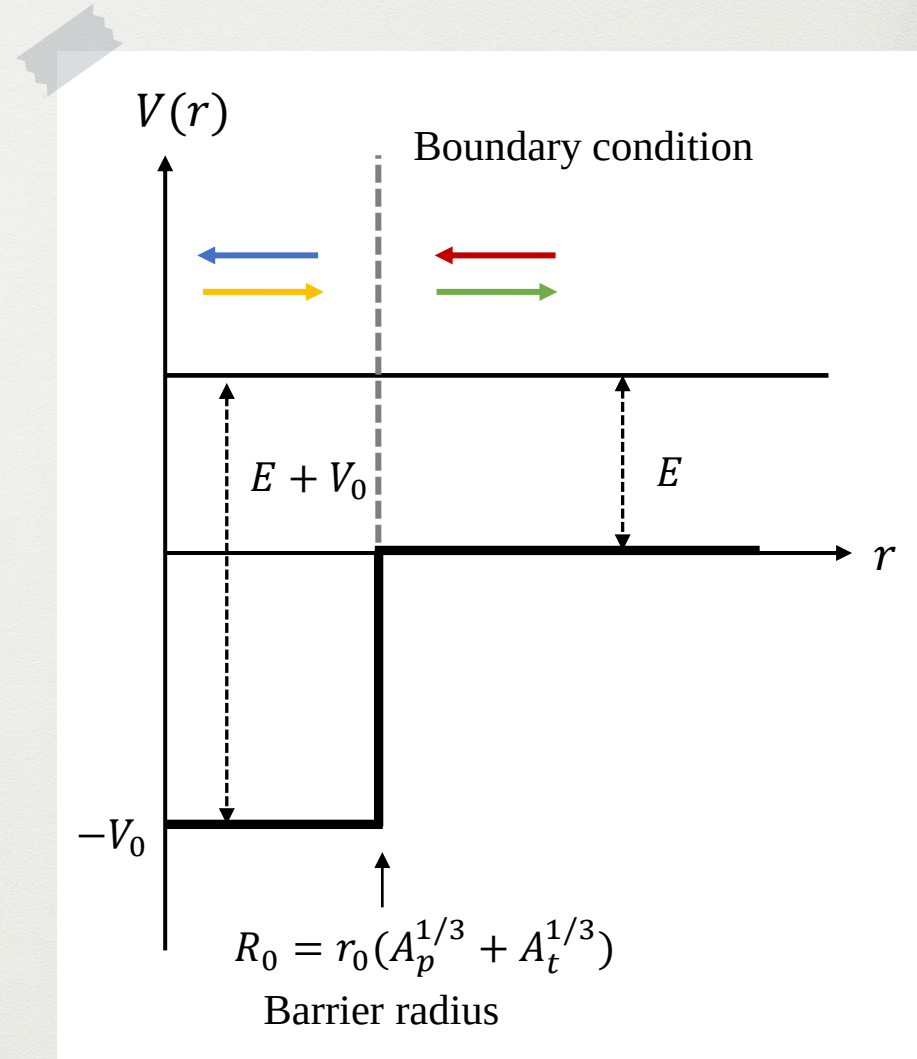
- Square-well potential

Radial equation

$$\frac{d^2 u}{dr^2} + \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} [E - V(r)] u = 0 \quad (l = 0)$$

$$\frac{d^2 u}{dr^2} + \hat{k}^2 u = 0 \rightarrow u(r) = \alpha e^{i\hat{k}r} + \beta e^{-i\hat{k}r}$$

▪ $r < R_0$	$u_{in} = A' e^{iKr} + B' e^{-iKr}$	$K^2 \equiv \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (E + V_0)$
▪ $r > R_0$	$u_{out} = C' e^{ikr} + D' e^{-ikr}$	$k^2 \equiv \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} E$



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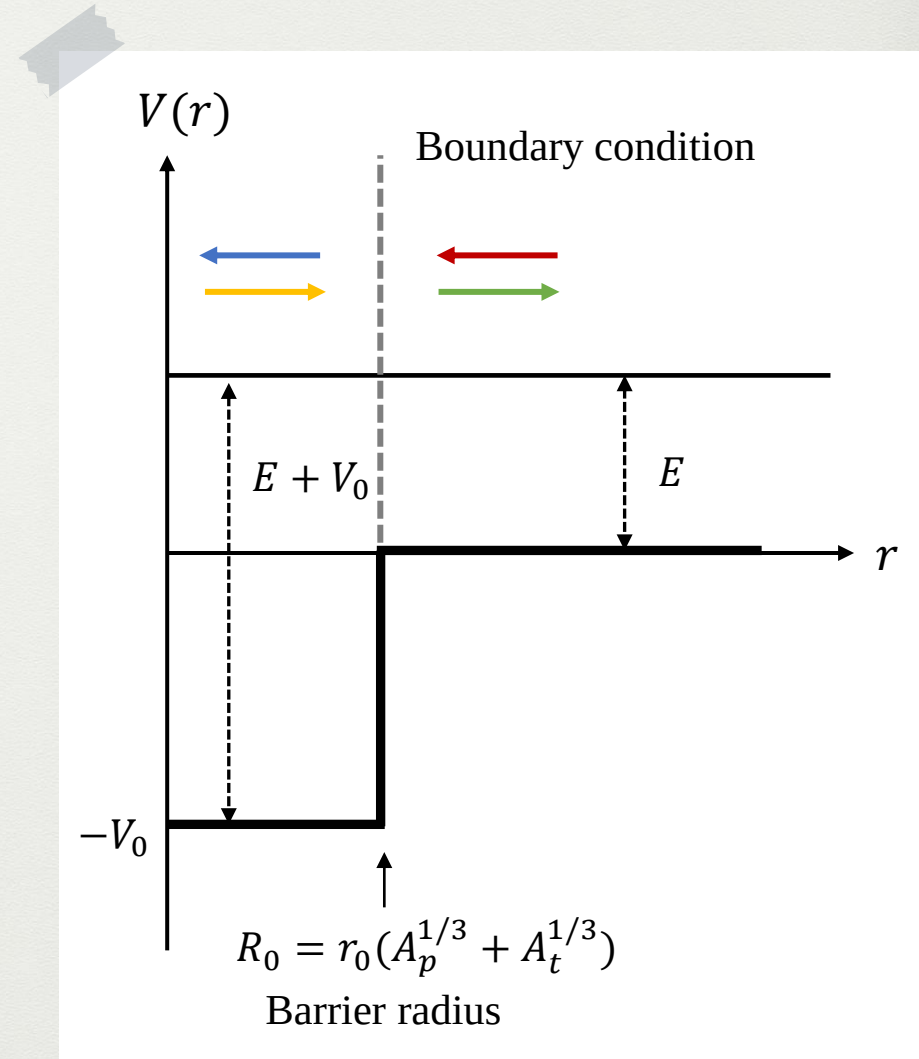
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Matching condition

$$(u_{in})_{R_0} = (u_{out})_{R_0} \quad \rightarrow \quad A'e^{iKR_0} + B'e^{-iKR_0} = C'e^{ikR_0} + D'e^{ikR_0}$$

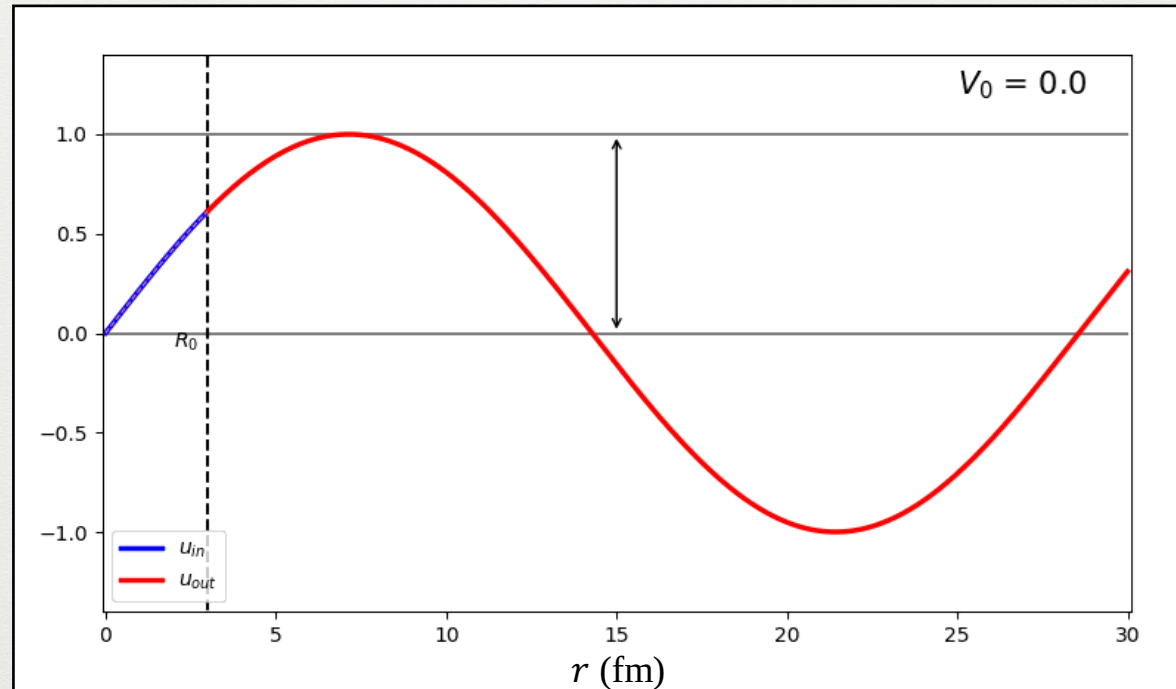
$$\left(\frac{du_{in}}{dx}\right)_{R_0} = \left(\frac{du_{out}}{dx}\right)_{R_0} \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{K}{k}(A'e^{iKR_0} - B'e^{-iKR_0}) = (C'e^{ikR_0} - D'e^{ikR_0})$$

$$\hat{T} = \frac{K|B'|^2}{k|D'|^2} = 4 \frac{kK}{(K+k)^2} = 4 \frac{\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \sqrt{(E+V_0)E}}{\left[\sqrt{\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (E+V_0)} + \sqrt{\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} E} \right]^2}$$



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- Square-well potential
 - The transition probability is not always equal to 1 even when only attractive potential are present.
 - The transition probability of the potential well depends on the potential depth.



$$R_0 = 3 \text{ fm}, \quad E = 1 \text{ MeV}$$

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- Square-Barrier potential

Wave function

$$u_I = Ae^{iKx} + Be^{-iKx}$$

$$u_{II} = Ce^{-\kappa x} + De^{\kappa x}$$

$$u_{III} = Fe^{ikx} + Ge^{-ikx}$$

$$K^2 = \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right)(E + V_0)$$

$$i^2\kappa^2 = i^2\left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right)(V_1 - E)$$

$$k^2 = \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right)E$$

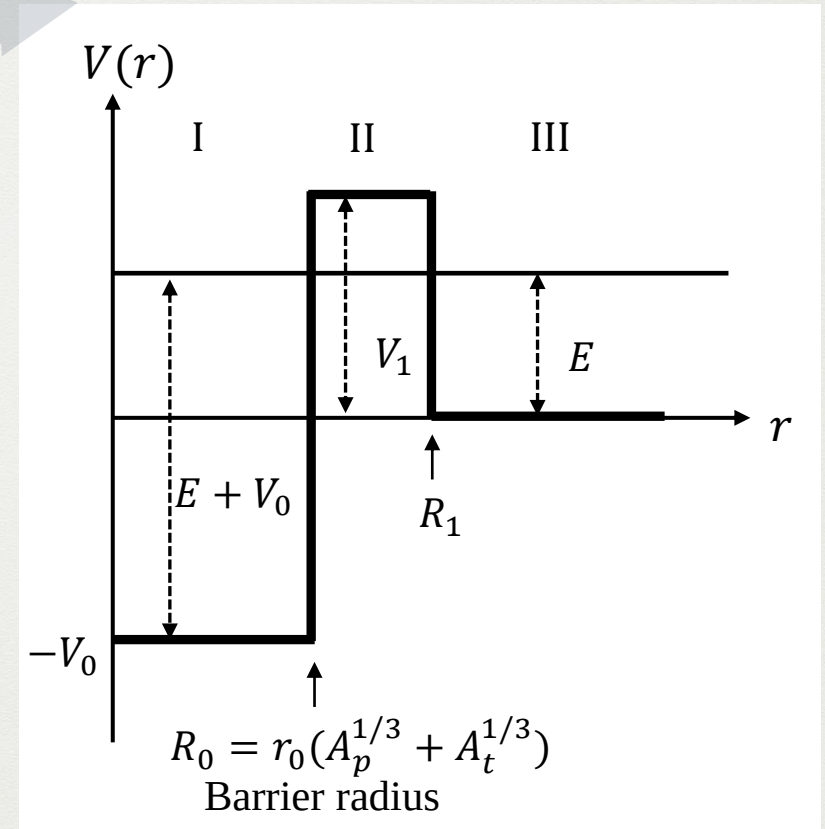
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$$(u_I)_{R_0} = (u_{II})_{R_0}$$

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Assumption : The energy E is much smaller than the potential barrier V_1 .

$$\frac{\sqrt{2m(V_1-E)}}{\hbar} (R_1 - R_0) \gg 1$$



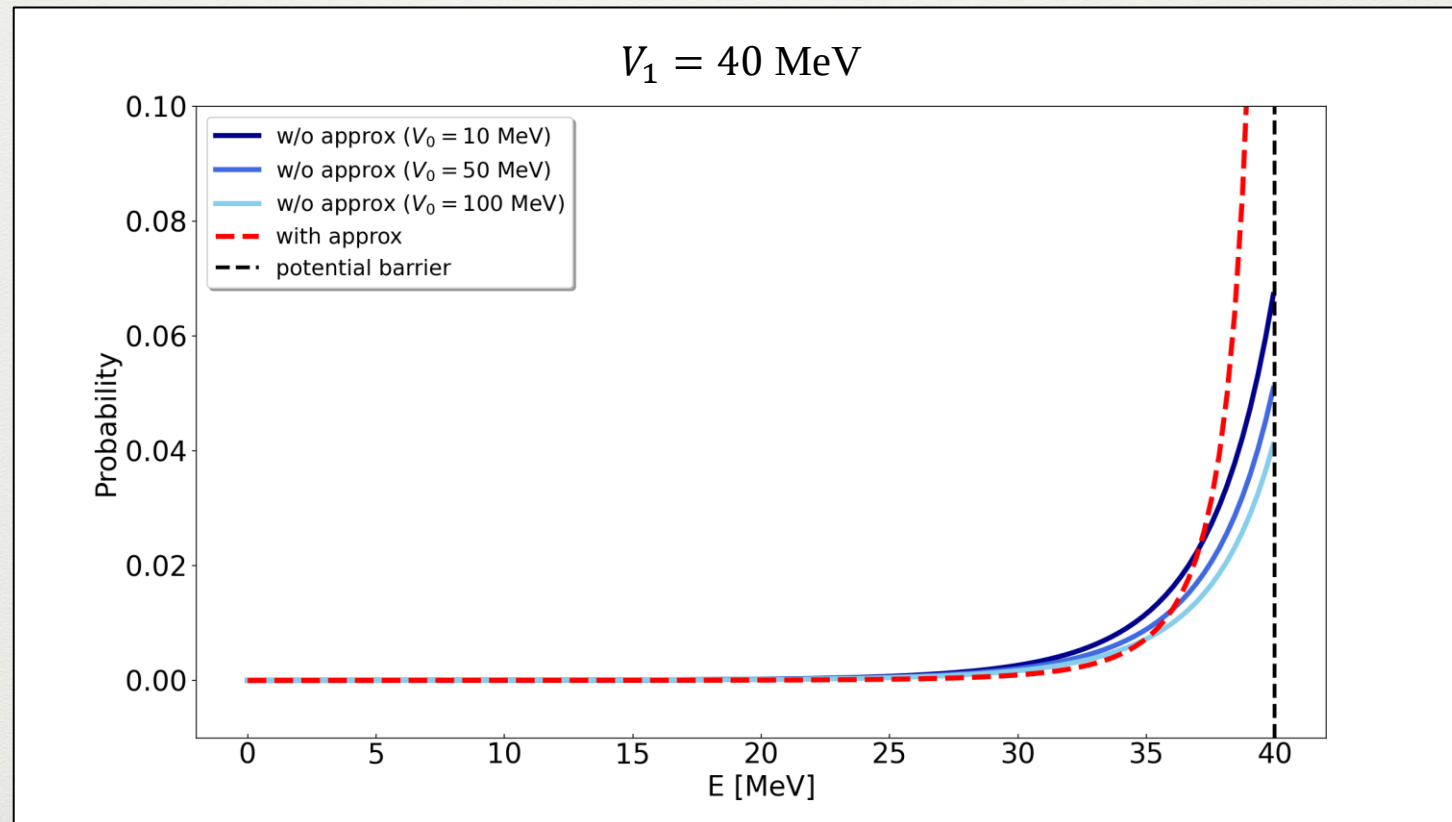
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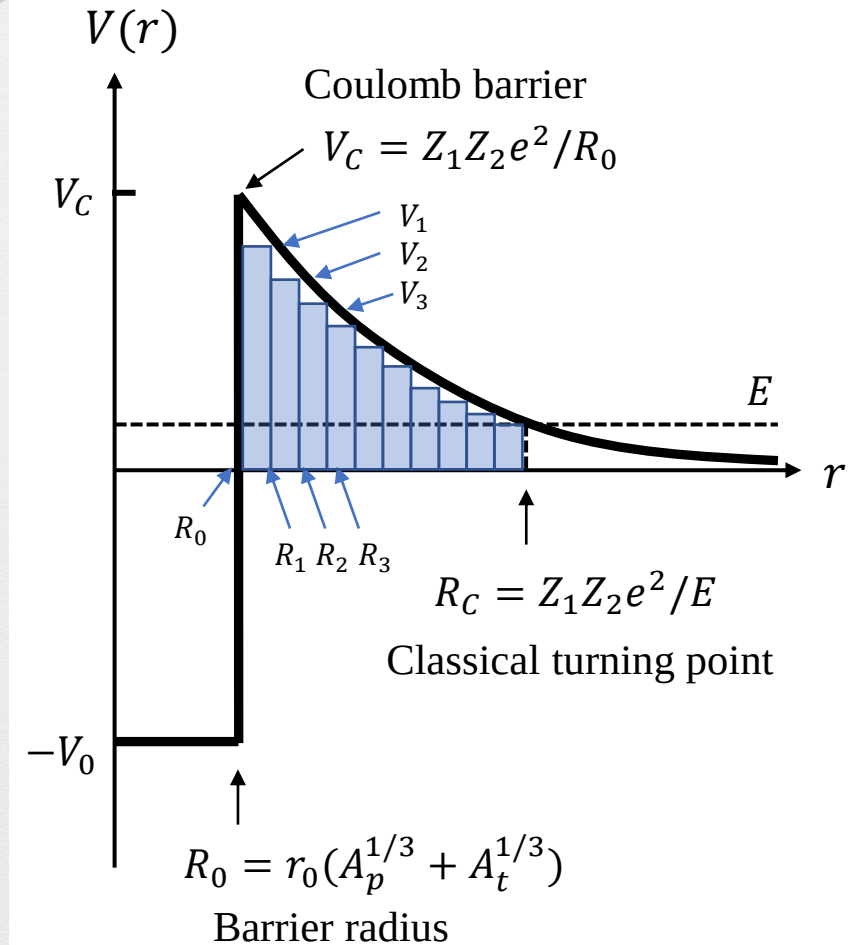
$$\hat{T} = \hat{T}_1 \cdot \hat{T}_2 \cdots \hat{T}_n \approx \exp \left[-\frac{2}{\hbar} \sum_i \sqrt{2m(V_i - E)} (R_{i+1} - R_i) \right]$$

$$\text{when } N \gg 1 \rightarrow \exp \left[-\frac{2}{\hbar} \int_{R_0}^{R_c} \sqrt{2m[V(r) - E]} dr \right]$$



$$\hat{T} \approx \exp \left(-\frac{2}{\hbar} \sqrt{2m} \int_{R_0}^{R_c} \sqrt{\frac{Z_0 Z_1 e^2}{r} - E} dr \right)$$

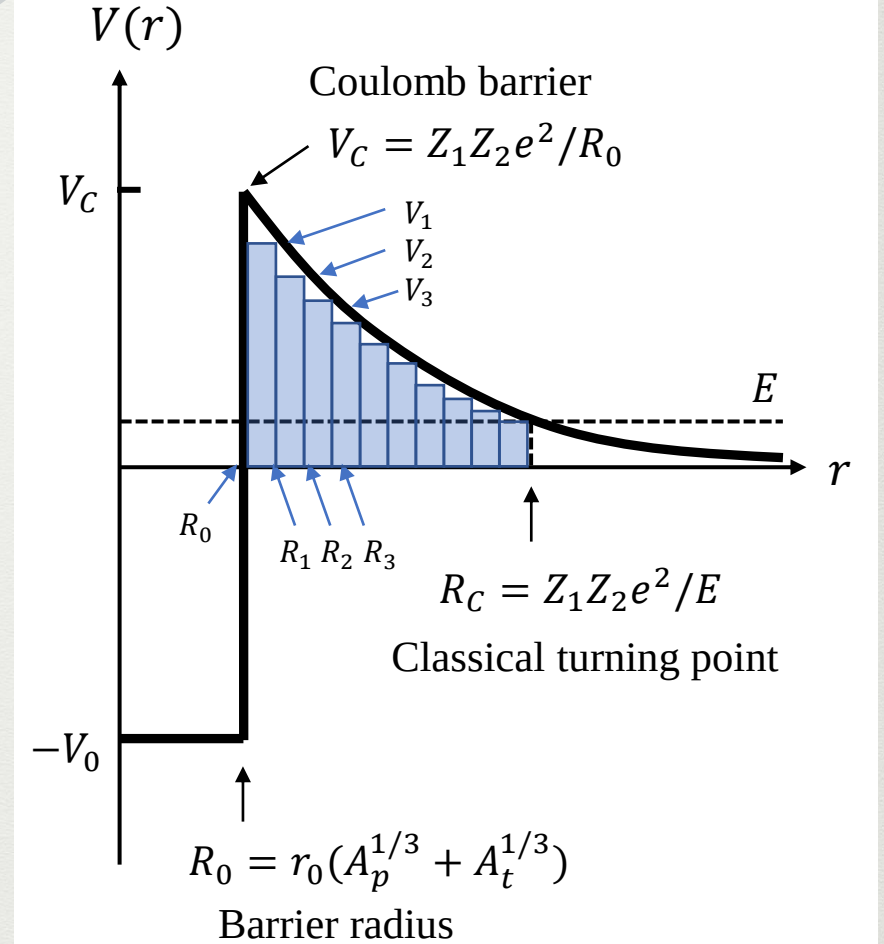
$$\approx \exp \left(-\frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \sqrt{\frac{m}{2E}} Z_0 Z_1 e^2 \right) \equiv e^{-2\pi\eta} \quad \eta : \text{Sommerfeld parameter}$$



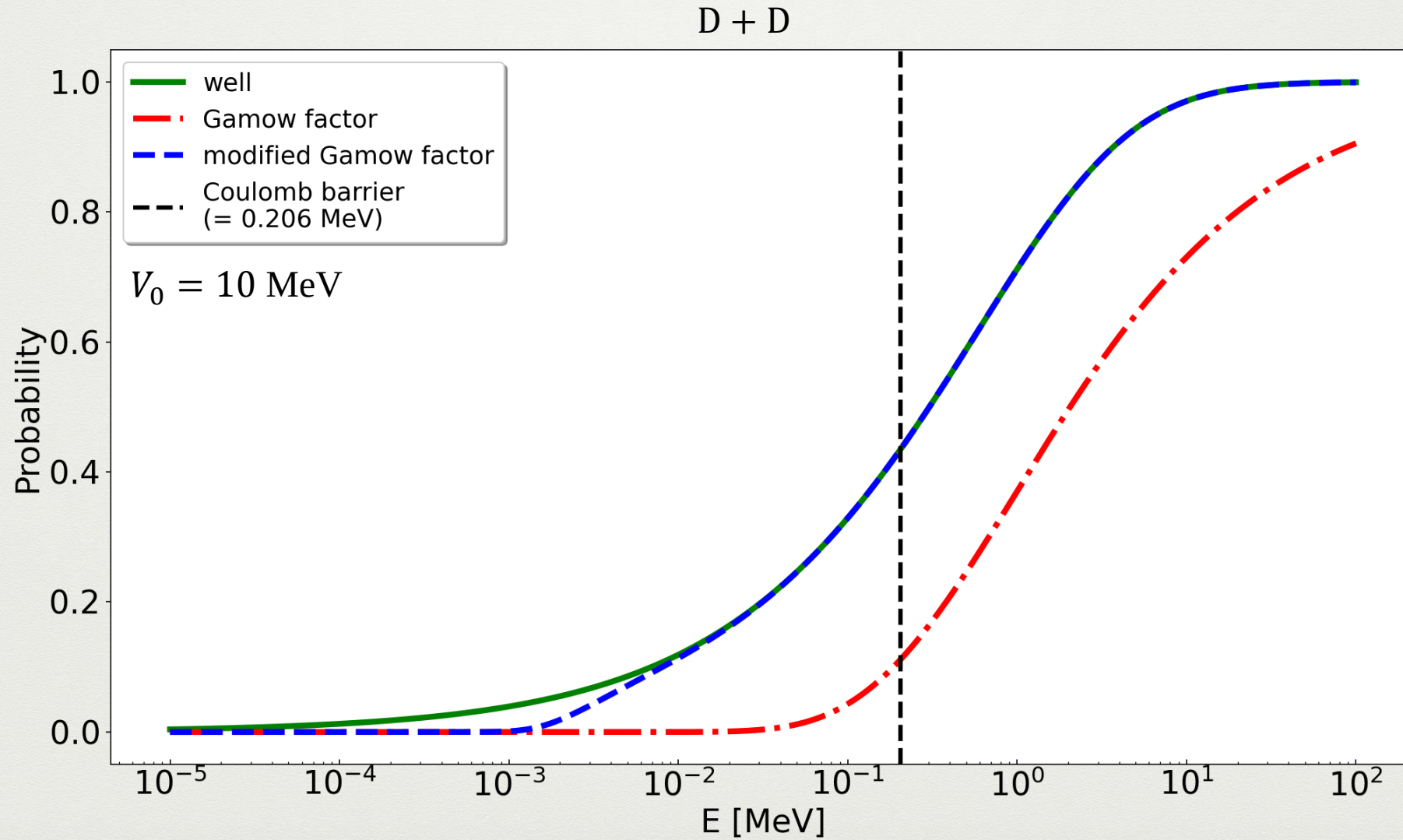
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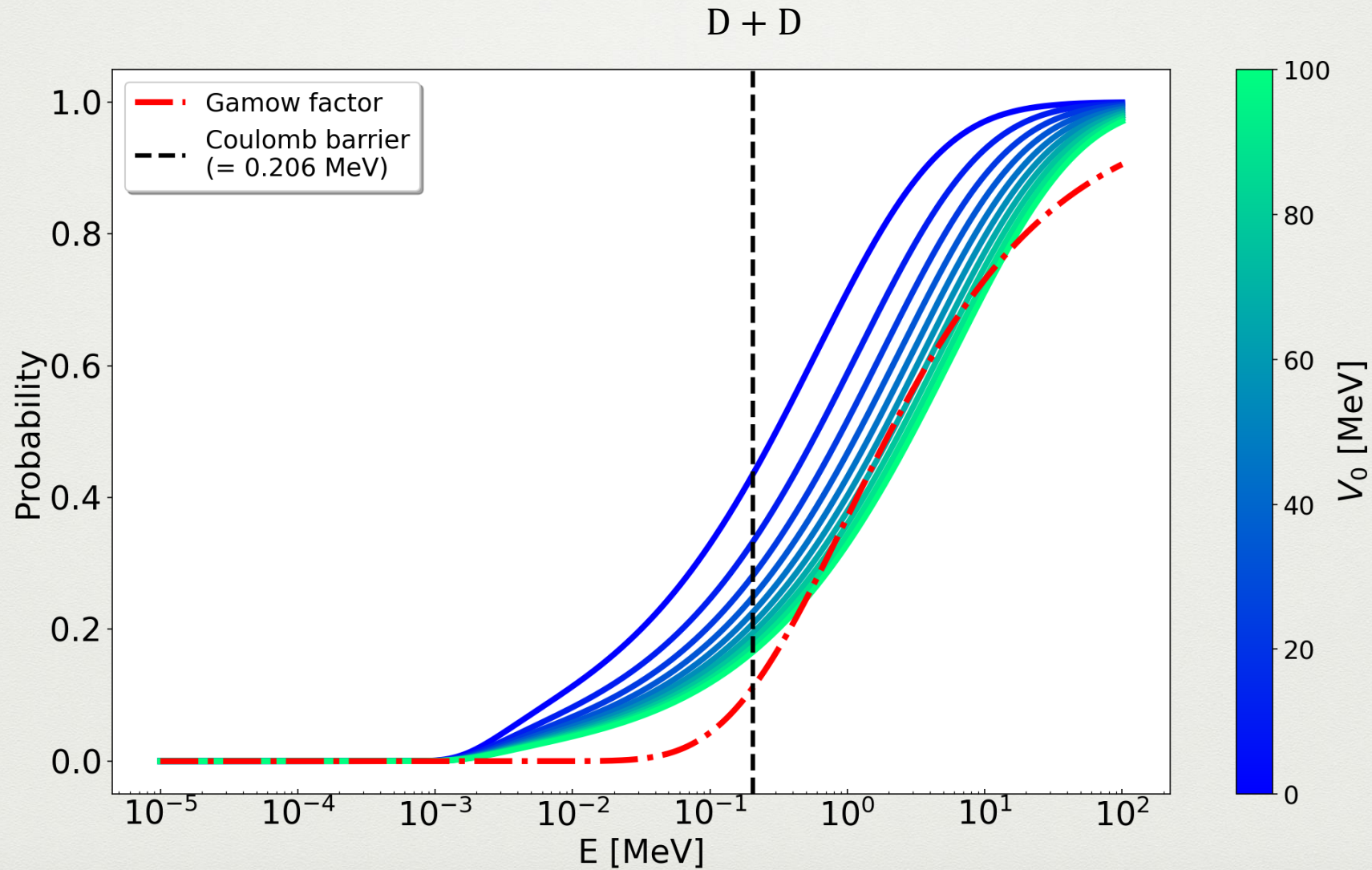
$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{T} &= \hat{T}_1 \hat{T}_2 \hat{T}_3 \cdots \hat{T}_n \\
 &= \frac{4\sqrt{E(E+V_0)}}{\left\{ \left[2E + V_0 + 2\sqrt{E(E+V_0)} + \left[E + V_0 + V_{C1} + \frac{E(E+V_0)}{V_1-E} \right] \sinh^2 \left[\sqrt{\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}} (V_{C1} - E)(R_1 - R_0) \right] \right] \right\}} \\
 &\quad \times \frac{4E}{\left\{ \left[4E + \left[E + V_{C2} + \frac{E^2}{V_{C2}-E} \right] \sinh^2 \left[\sqrt{\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}} (V_{C2} - E)(R_2 - R_1) \right] \right] \right\}} \\
 &\quad \vdots \\
 &\quad \times \frac{4E}{\left\{ \left[4E + \left[E + V_{Cn} + \frac{E^2}{V_{Cn}-E} \right] \sinh^2 \left[\sqrt{\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}} (V_{Cn} - E)(R_n - R_{n-1}) \right] \right] \right\}} \\
 &= T_1 \prod_{i=2}^n \frac{4E}{\left\{ \left[4E + \left[E + V_{Ci} + \frac{E^2}{V_{Ci}-E} \right] \sinh^2 \left[\sqrt{\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}} (V_{Ci} - E)(R_i - R_{i-1}) \right] \right] \right\}}
 \end{aligned}$$



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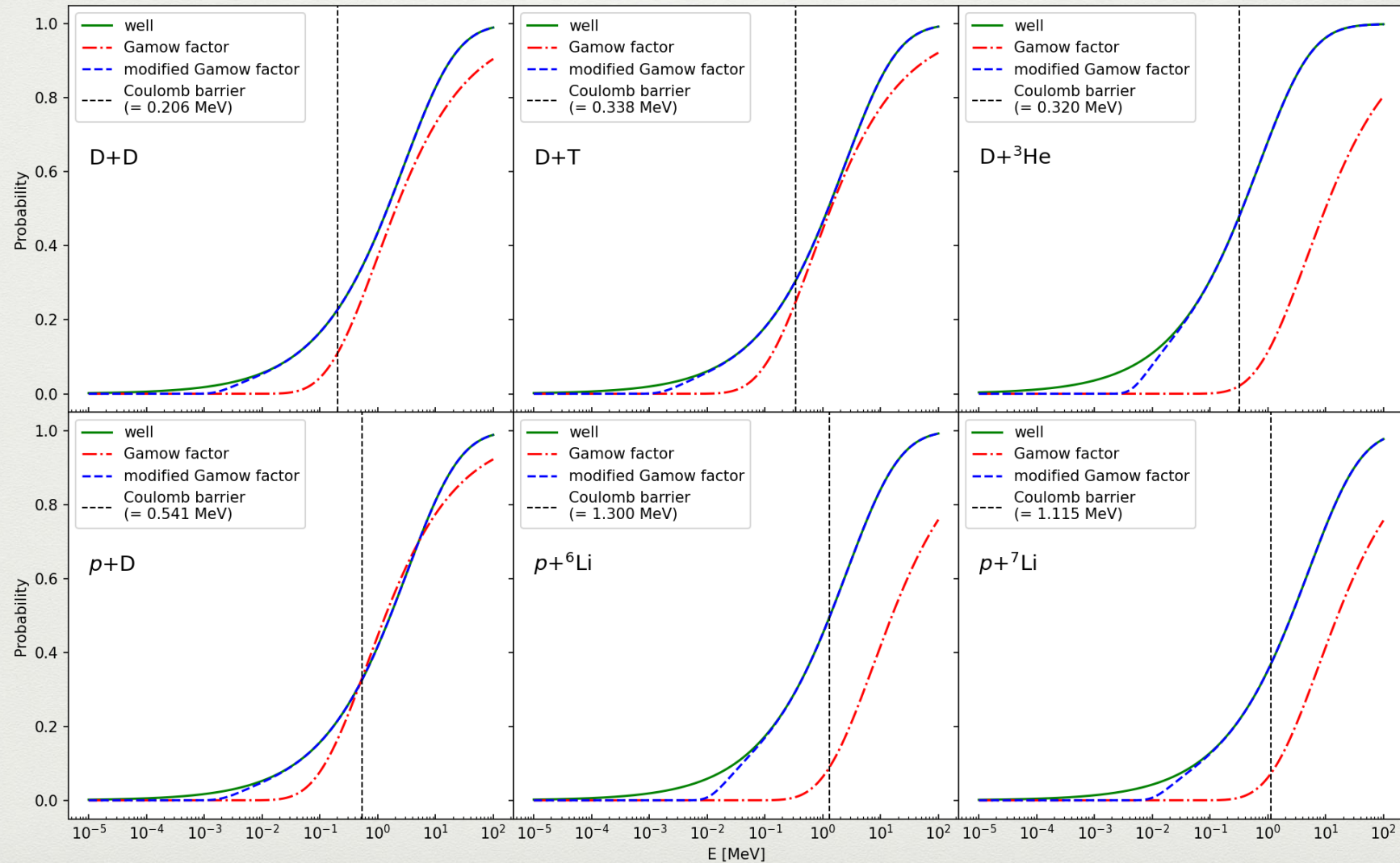
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Table 1
Values of potential parameters for fusion reactions.

Reactions	V_r [MeV]	V_i [keV]	r_0 (fm)
D+D	−48.52	−263.27	2.778
D+T	−40.69	−109.18	1.887
D+ ³ He	−11.859	−259.02	3.331
p+D	−55.0	−0.0235	1.177
p+ ⁶ Li	−44.25	−7500	1.180
p+ ⁷ Li	−85.0	−395.0	1.330

III. Result : Gamow factor



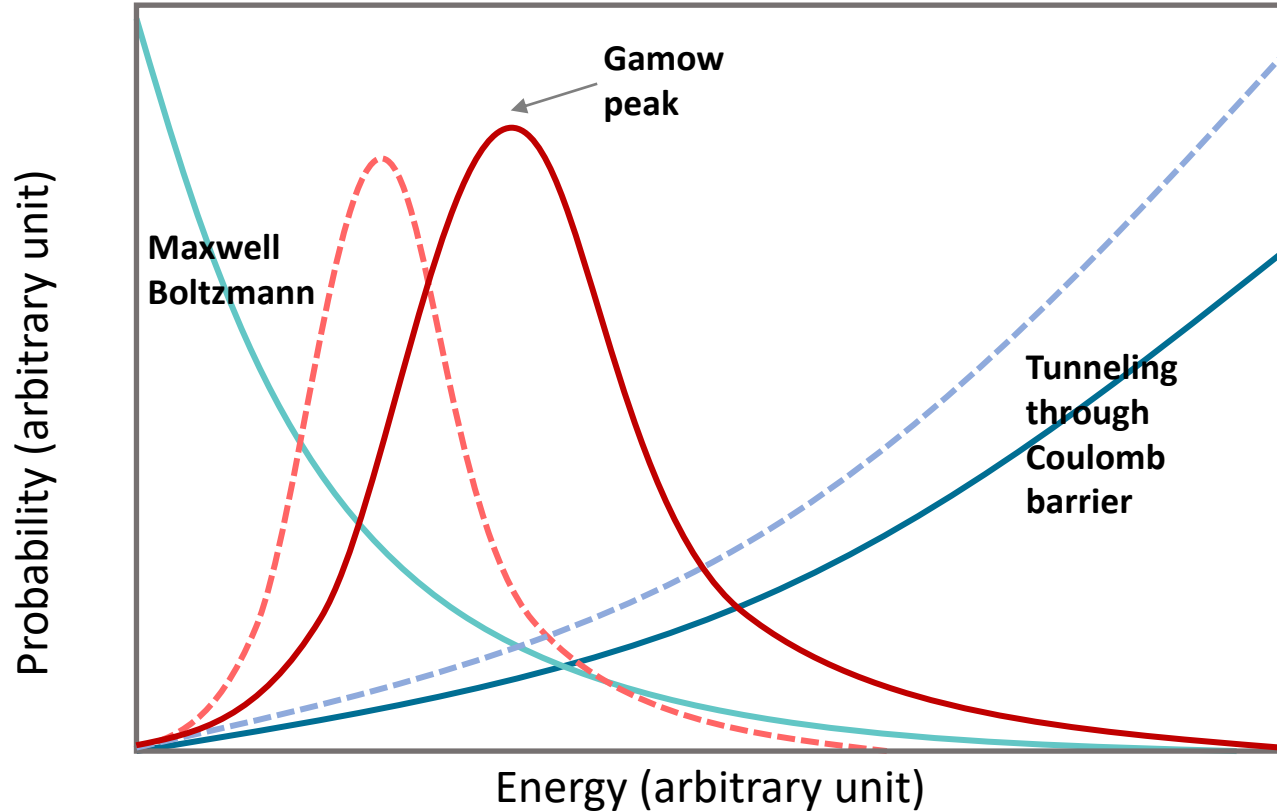
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- Gamow peak

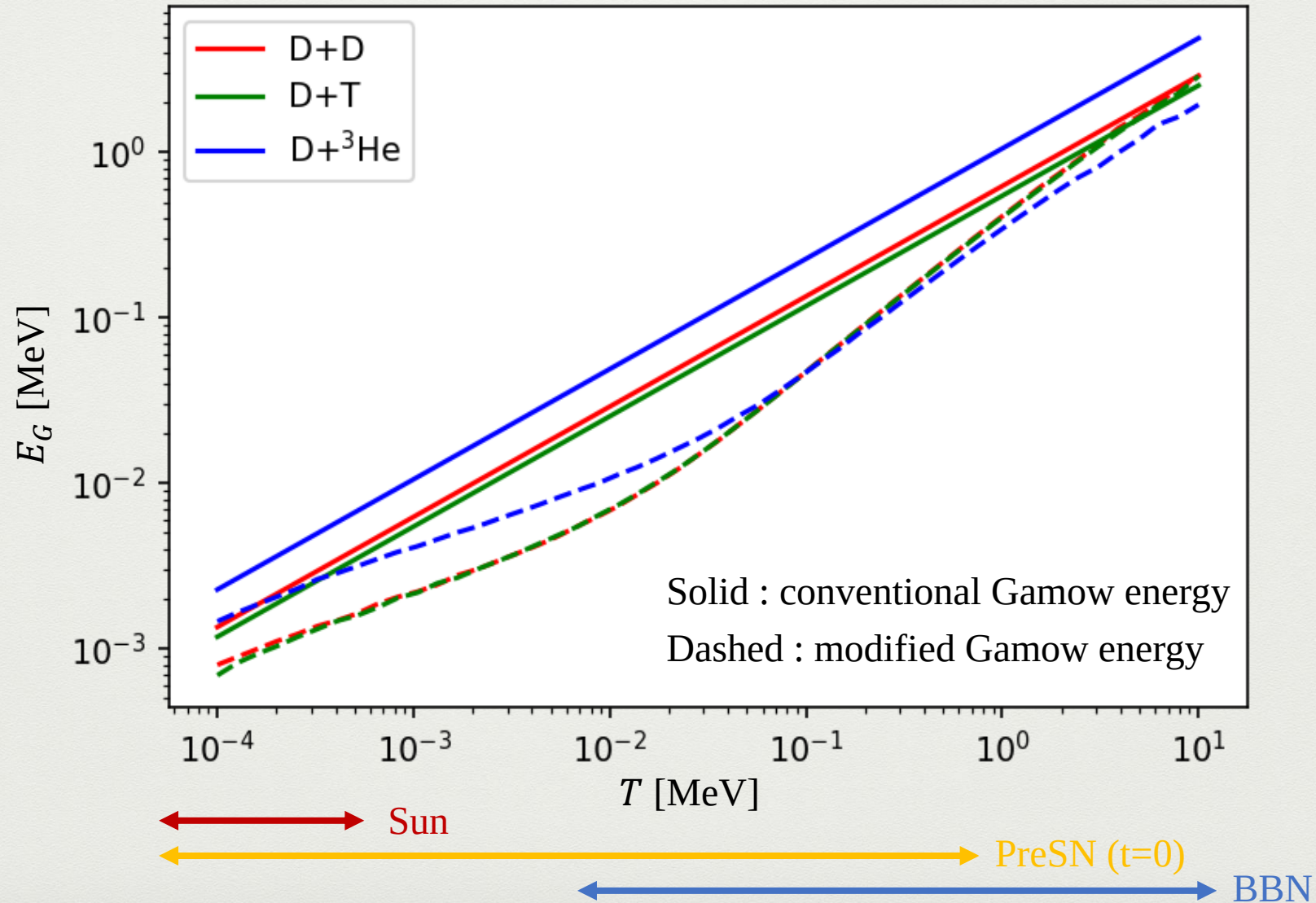
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$e^{-2\pi\eta}$: Gamow factor

$S(E)$: astrophysical S-factor



III. Result : Gamow energy



IV. Summary

- We found that the Gamow factor has two problems.
 1. The assumption used in the Gamow factor could be wrong.
 2. The Gamow factor is independent of the potential depth.
- We modified the Gamow factor using numerical calculation without the assumption.
- The modified Gamow factor depends on the potential depth, and it tends to be greater than the Gamow factor.
- We modified Gamow energy using our modified Gamow factor model.

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