

**Adopted Levels:unobserved**

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$S(p) = -4.5 \times 10^3$  SY [2017Wa10](#)

The  ${}^5\text{Be}$  nucleus is particle unbound to proton decay; no resonances have been experimentally observed.

[2013Ti01](#) gives  ${}^5\text{Be}$  mass defect as 34.10 MeV *12* by improved Kelson-Garvey systematics. Using this value for the  ${}^5\text{Be}$  mass defect, the ground state of  ${}^5\text{Be}$  would be 4.59 MeV *12* above the  ${}^3\text{He}+2p$  threshold.

The 2016 mass table ([2017Wa10](#)) gives the estimated mass defect of  ${}^5\text{Be}$  as 37.1 MeV *20*. Using this value, the ground state of  ${}^5\text{Be}$  would be 7.6 MeV *20* above the  ${}^3\text{He}+2p$  threshold.

**Negative experimental results:** **${}^3\text{He}({}^3\text{He},n){}^5\text{Be}$ :**

[1967Ad05](#):  ${}^3\text{He}$  beams from CIT and Stanford accelerators with energies from 18 MeV to 26 MeV collided with  ${}^3\text{He}$  in a gas target and the neutron spectrum measured. No structure was observed corresponding to  ${}^5\text{Be}$  states. It was concluded that any  ${}^5\text{Be}$  states must be at least 4.2 MeV above the  ${}^3\text{He}+2p$  threshold.

**Theory:**

[1981Be10](#): The author presented a shell model calculation of  $A=5$  nuclei with the goal of testing the  $T=3/2$  IMME for  $A=5$ . His calculated binding energy for  ${}^5\text{Be}$  is 1.5 MeV. This gives a mass defect of 35.7 MeV and a resonance energy of 6.2 MeV relative to the  ${}^3\text{He}+2p$  threshold. There is no mention of the  $J^\pi$  value for the state.

[2003Ar18](#): The authors used a three body cluster model with effective interactions that give reasonable results for other nearby nuclei as well as  $p+{}^3\text{He}$  phase shifts. The authors suspect that the absence of a tensor component in their effective interaction may be of significance. They obtained the following results, where the resonance energies are given relative to the  ${}^3\text{He}+2p$  threshold.

Note that the  $3/2^+$  and  $5/2^+$  states are nearly degenerate and very broad and are not likely to show up in reactions as separate resonances.

See other more general theoretical analyses in ([1975Be31](#), [1981Ka39](#), [1982Ng01](#), [2004Sa50](#)).

theoretical estimate from ([2003Ar18](#))

$J^\pi$	$E_R$ (MeV)	$\Gamma_R$ (MeV)
$1/2^+$	3.15	3.62
$5/2^+$	4.5	5.6
$3/2^+$	4.6	6.3