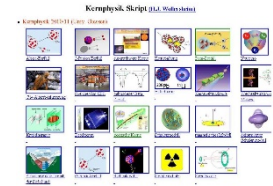


Outline: Transfer Reactions

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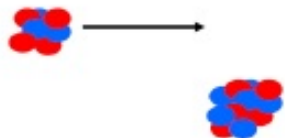
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1. direct reactions
2. Q-values
3. theories: DWBA, Fresco, Faddeev
4. radioactive beams
5. Knock-out reactions (^{11}Li)

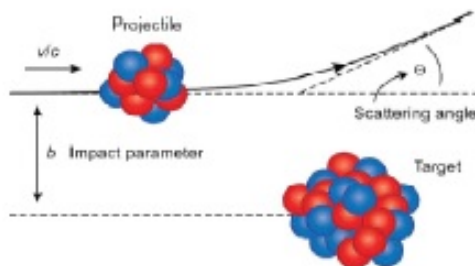
Why reactions?

Elastic:



Traditionally used to extract optical potentials, rms radii, density distributions

Inelastic:



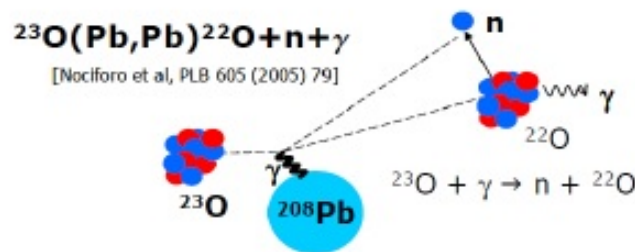
Traditionally used to extract electromagnetic transitions or nuclear deformations.

Transfer:

Traditionally used to extract spin, parity, spectroscopic factors
example: $^{132}\text{Sn}(d,p)^{133}\text{Sn}$

Traditionally used to study two-nucleon correlations and pairing
example: $^{11}\text{Li}(p,t)^9\text{Li}$

Breakup:

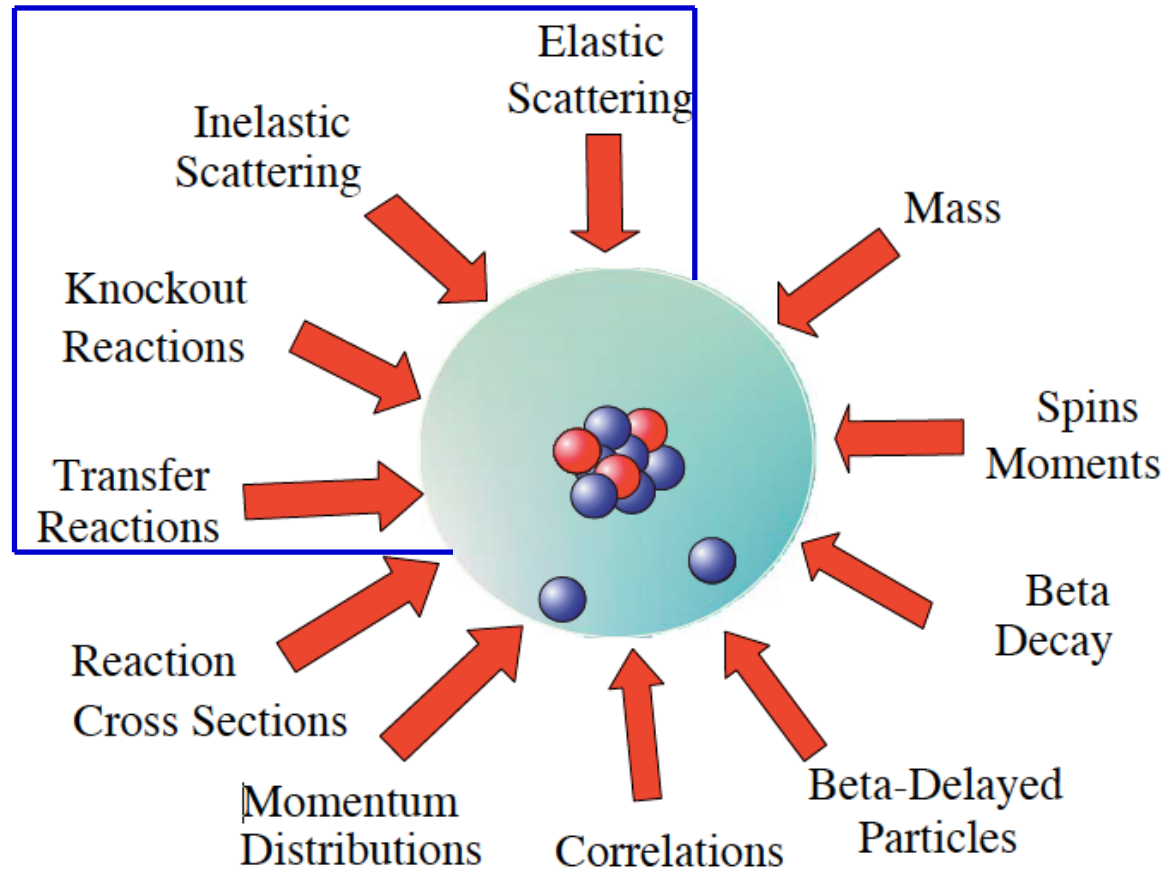


Reactions types

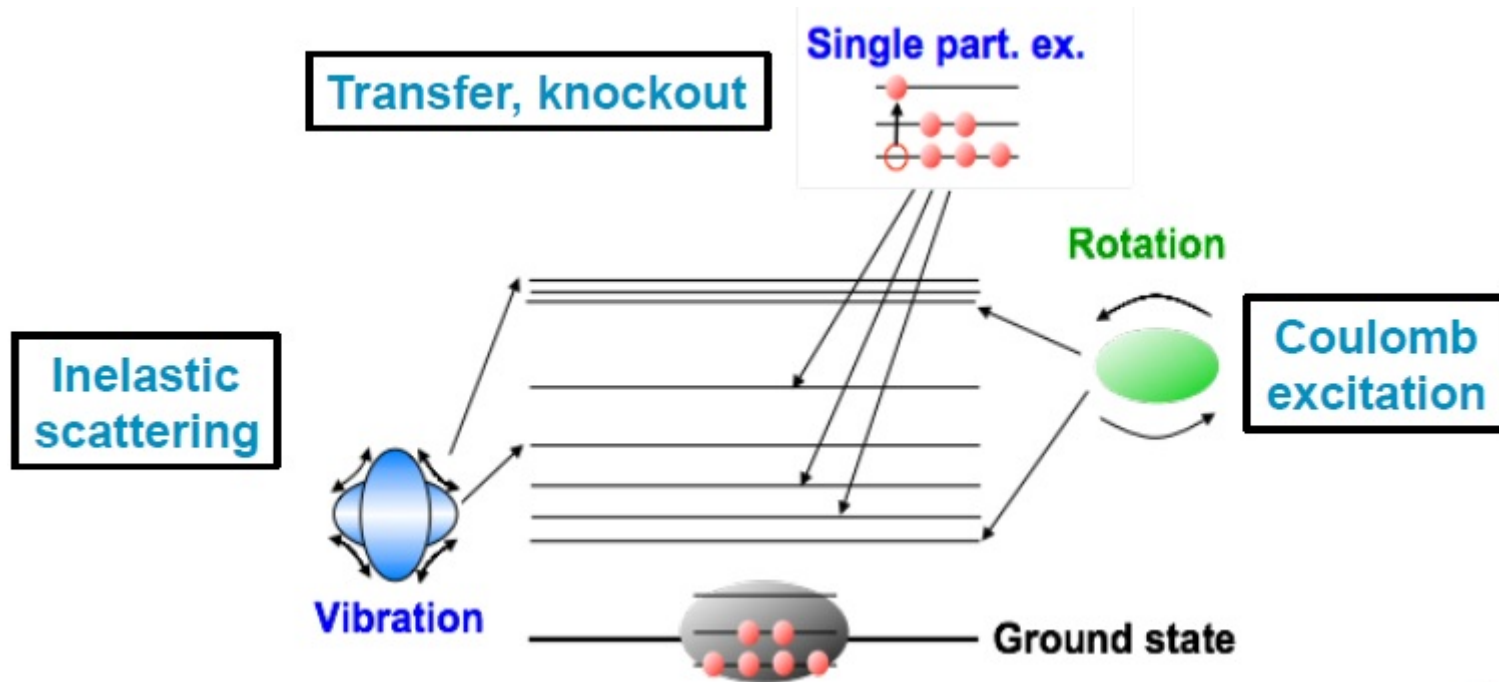
If we consider nuclear reactions where both projectile and target are nuclei, many subcases arise. In the following table we show them by means of examples:

Reaction	Type	
$^{59}\text{Co}(d,d)^{59}\text{Co}$	Elastic	
$^{59}\text{Co}(d,d')^{59}\text{Co}^*$	Inelastic	
$^{59}\text{Co}(d,\gamma)^{61}\text{Ni}$	Radiative Capture	The projectile is captured with a gamma ray emission.
$^{59}\text{Co}(d,p)^{60}\text{Co}$	Stripping	One (or more) nucleon(s) is(are) stripped from the projectile.
$^{59}\text{Co}(d,n)^{60}\text{Ni}$	Stripping	
$^{59}\text{Co}(d,^3\text{He})^{58}\text{Fe}$	Pickup	One (ore more) nucleon(s) is(are) stripped from the target.
$^{59}\text{Co}(d,\alpha)^{57}\text{Fe}$	Pickup	

Reactions: tool to excite and probe nuclear states



Selectivity of direct reactions

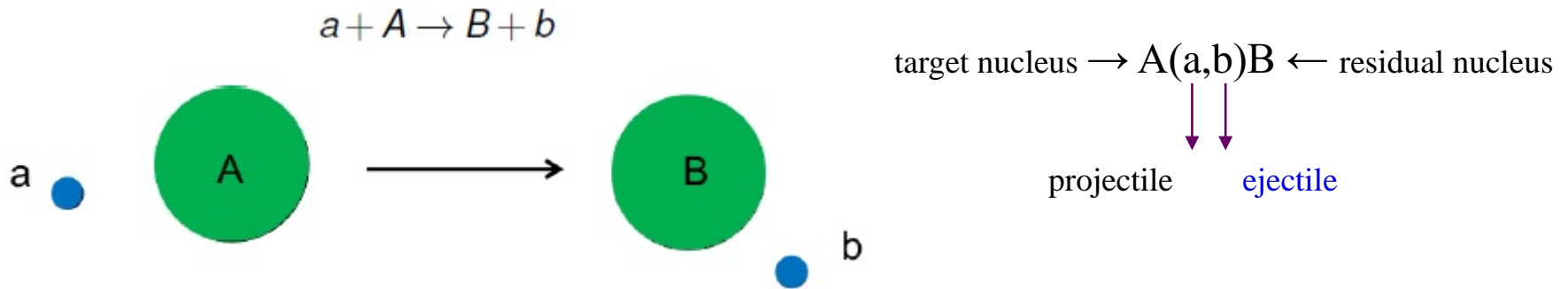


direct reactions with nuclei

- Elastic & inelastic scattering
- Few-particle transfer (stripping, pick-up)
- Charge exchange
- Knockout

Transfer reactions

Transfer reactions are direct reactions which link entrance channel a, A and exit channel b, B



- ❖ direct reactions: short time scale ($10^{-22} \leq \Delta t \leq 10^{-20}$)
- ❖ cross section related to transition amplitude / matrix element $\sigma \propto |\langle i | \hat{O} | f \rangle|^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Q-value} &= \text{masses (before)} - \text{masses (after)} \\ &= M_a + M_A - M_B - M_b \text{ (in energy units)*} \end{aligned}$$

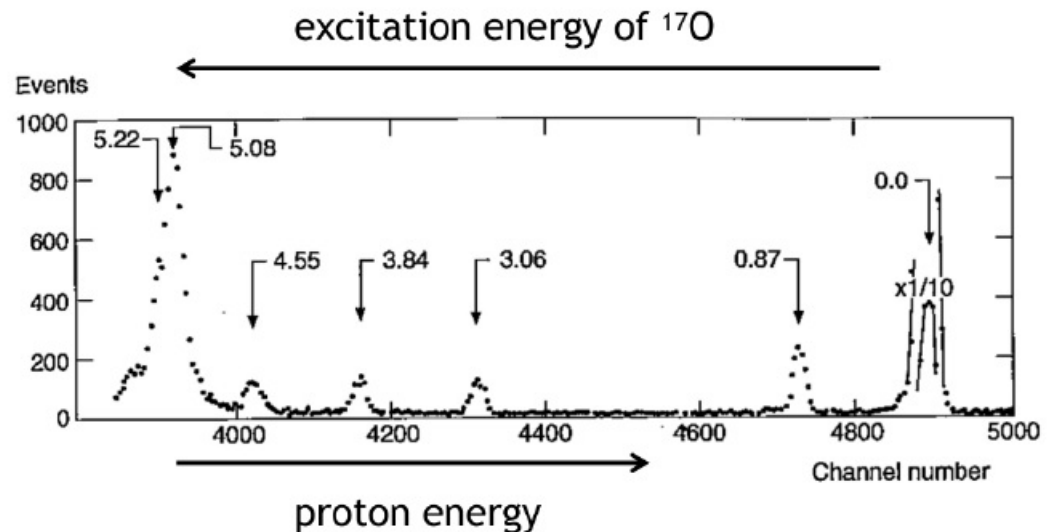
Q-value > 0 : exothermic (exoergic)
Q-value < 0 : endothermic (endoergic)
Q-value $= 0$: elastic scattering

Transfer reactions

- ❖ determine Q-value by measuring the beam energy T_a , the kinetic energy of the light particle T_b , and the scattering angle θ

$$Q = T_b \cdot \left(1 + \frac{m_b}{m_B}\right) - T_a \cdot \left(1 + \frac{m_a}{m_B}\right) - 2 \sqrt{\frac{m_a \cdot m_b}{m_B^2}} T_a T_b \cdot \cos\theta$$

- ❖ and from this the excitation energy of the ejectile, missing mass technique
- ❖ traditionally done at 10-20 MeV
- ❖ measurement of θ and T_b with magnetic spectrometer
- ❖ example $^{16}\text{O}(\text{d},\text{p})^{17}\text{O}$
- ❖ done extensively in the past with deuteron beams from tandem accelerators
- ❖ tritium beams for two-neutron transfer reactions



Measuring transfer reactions – good kinematics

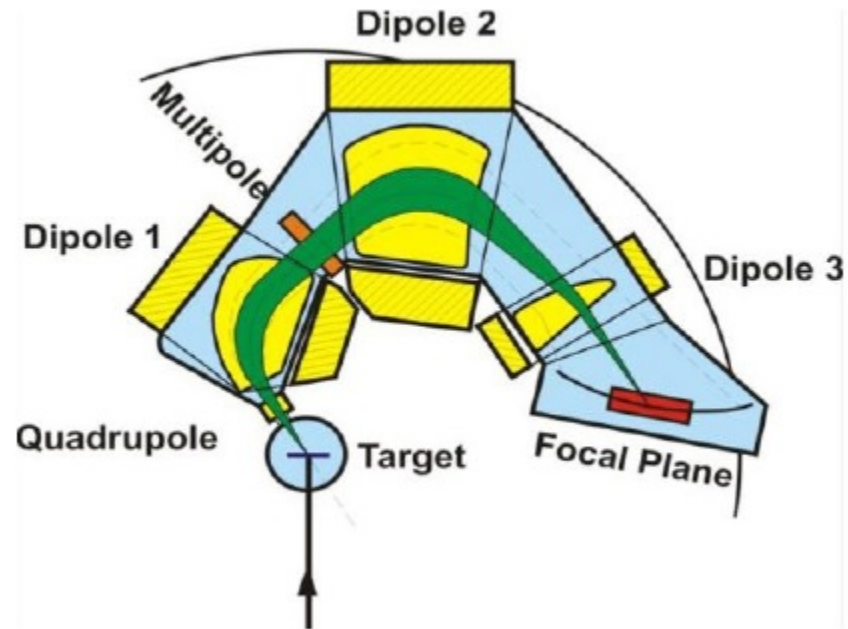
Transfer reactions in normal/forward kinematics (light beam on heavy target) is using a magnetic spectrometer

Momentum-analyze the reaction products

Measure the position at which the particles hit the focal plane → tell us how easily bent in the magnetic field gives the rigidity (momentum/charge)

Reconstruct excitation energy with two-body kinematics

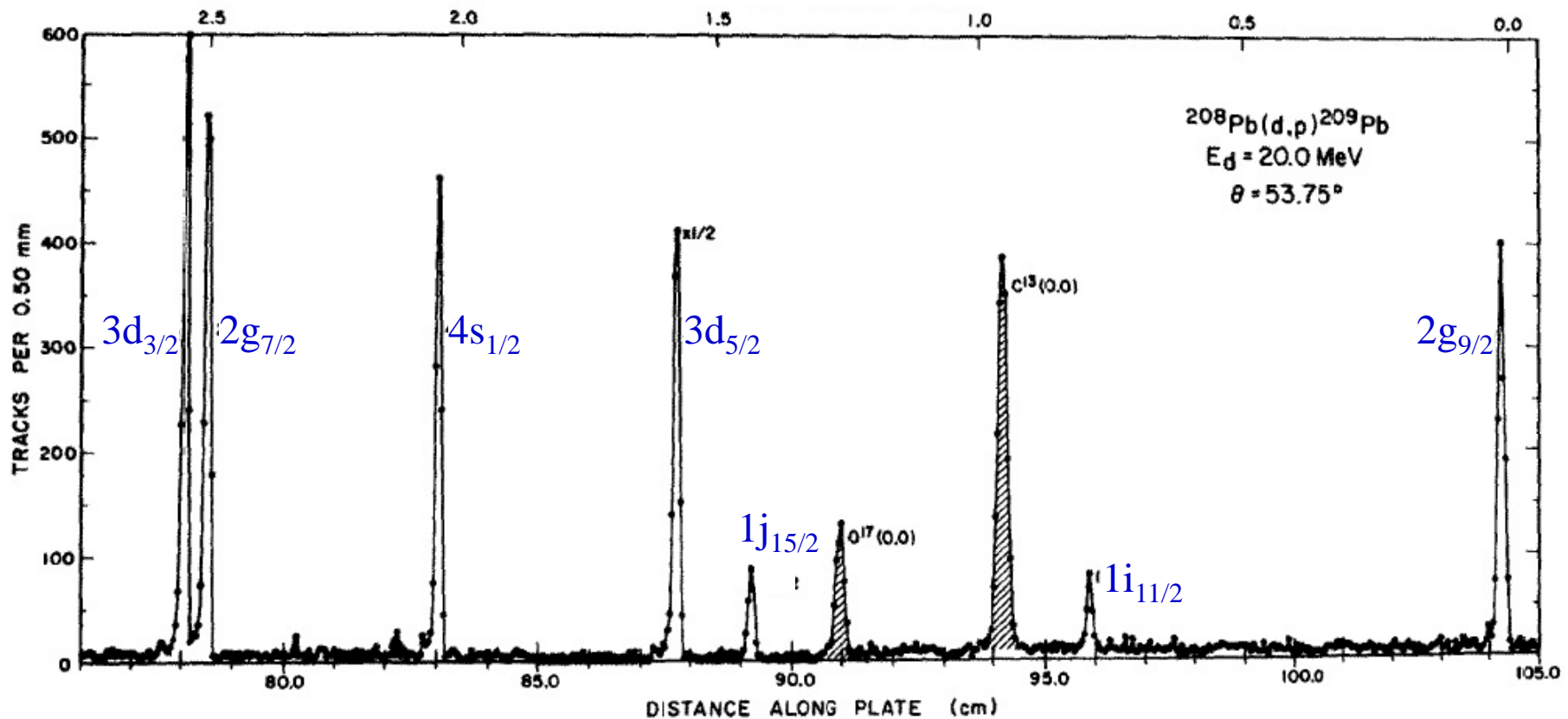
Can also do this with solid-state detectors e.g. silicon arrays

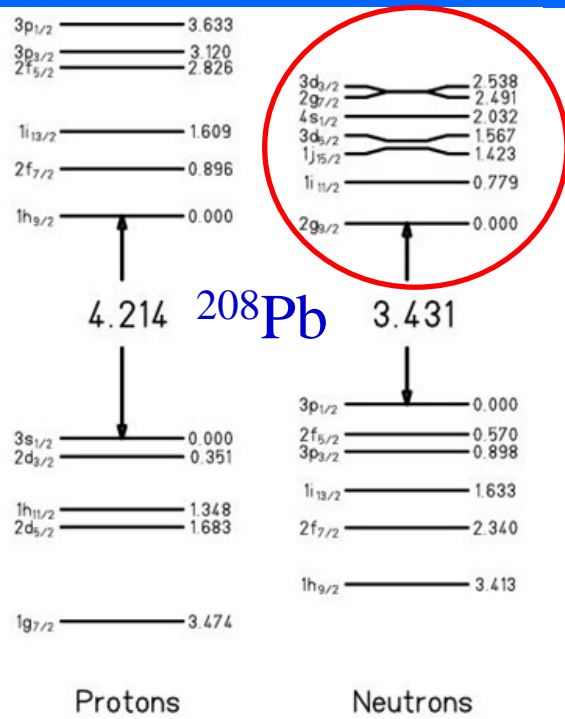


Q₃D spectrometer (formerly) at Munich.
The edges of the pole pieces and the multiple correct the kinematic aberrations

$^{208}\text{Pb} (d,p) ^{209}\text{Pb}$ stripping reaction
population of neutron states

excitation energy (MeV)

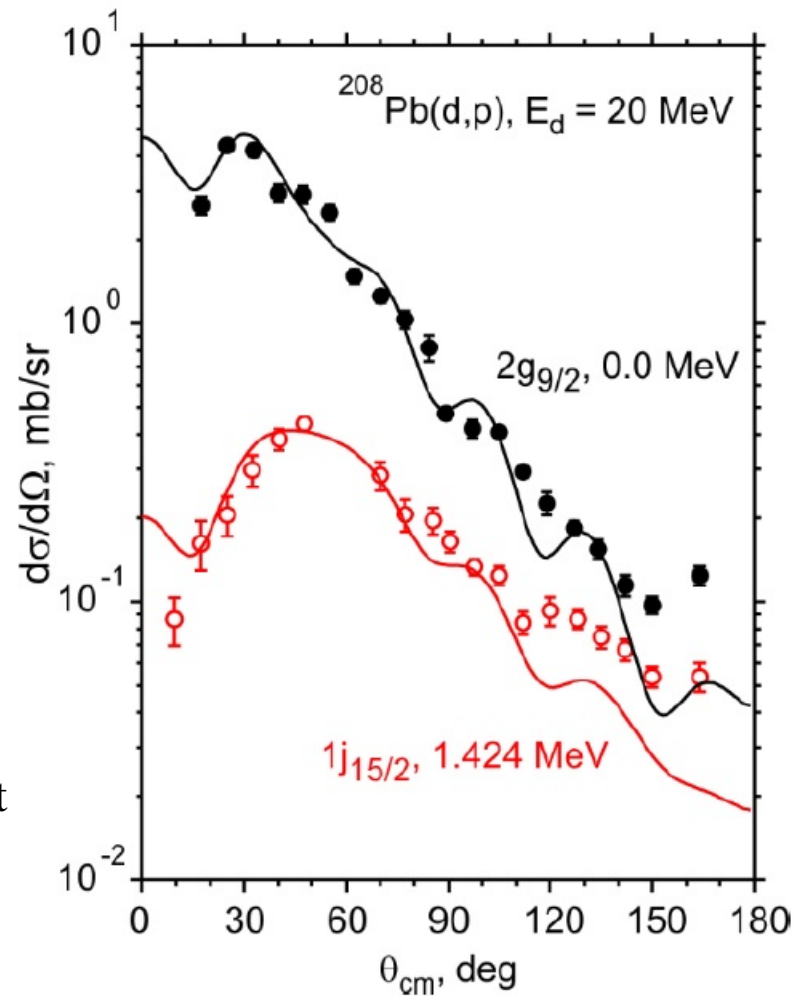




Angular distributions of different reaction channels look different

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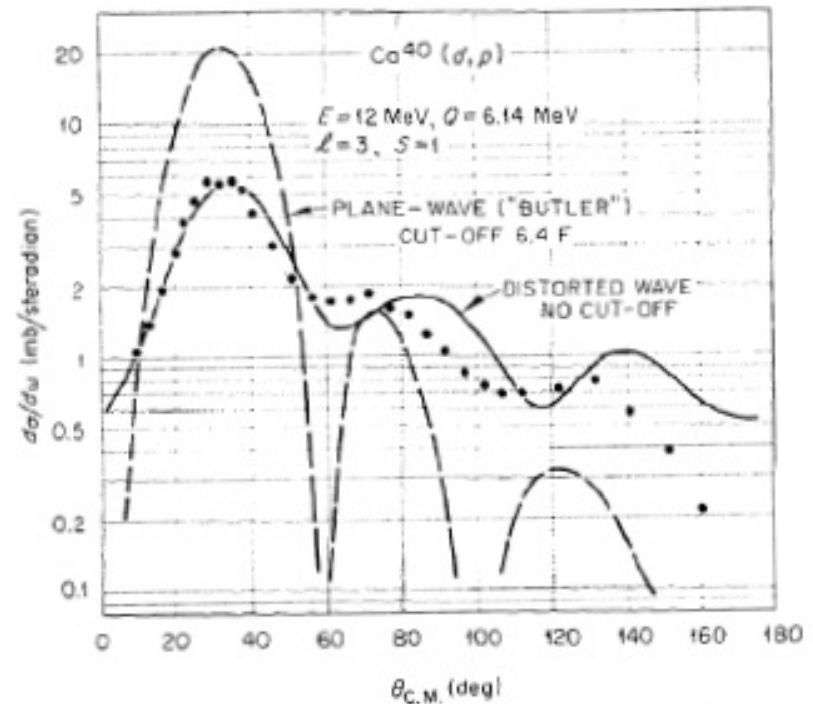
population of neutron states



Transfer reactions: DWBA distorted wave Born approximation

Transfer cross section in DWBA

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\alpha\beta}}{d\Omega} = \sum_{n\ell j} S_{n\ell j} \frac{d\sigma_{\alpha\beta}}{d\Omega} |_{n\ell j}$$

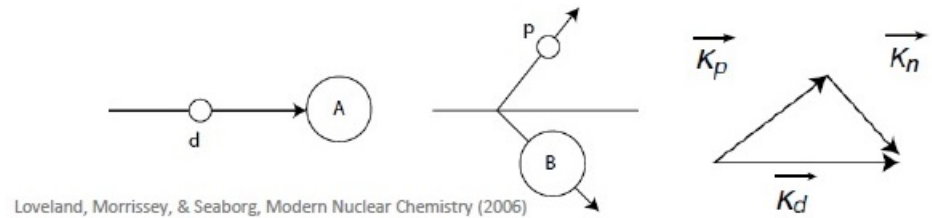


Analysis of experiments:

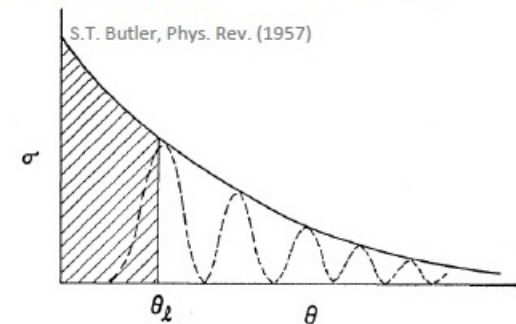
- 1) measure $d\sigma/d\Omega$
- 2) calculate $d\sigma/d\Omega$ single particle
- 3) extract $S_{n\ell j}$ by normalization of theo. vs exp.
- 4) compare to $S_{n\ell j}$ from theoretical structure model
or use in the Baranger sum rule for ESPEs

Angular distribution examples

- Consider the deuteron stripping reaction $^{90}\text{Zr}(d,p)$ for a 5MeV deuteron



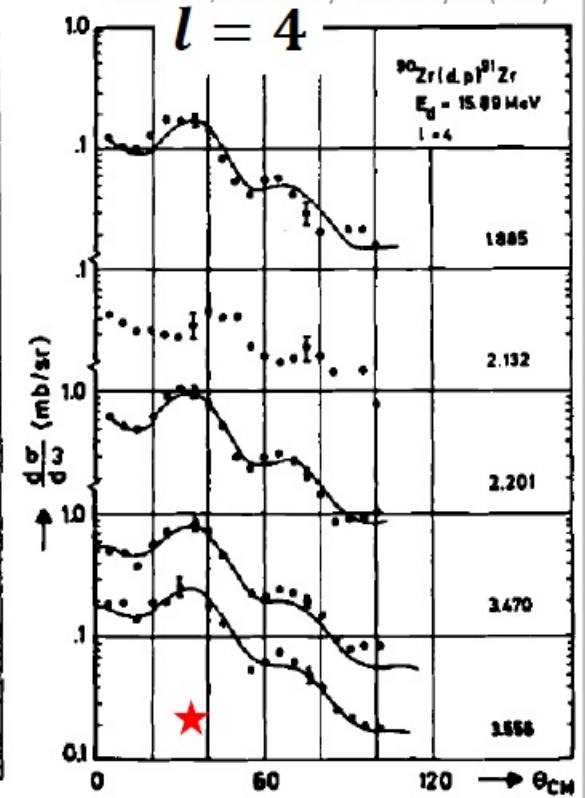
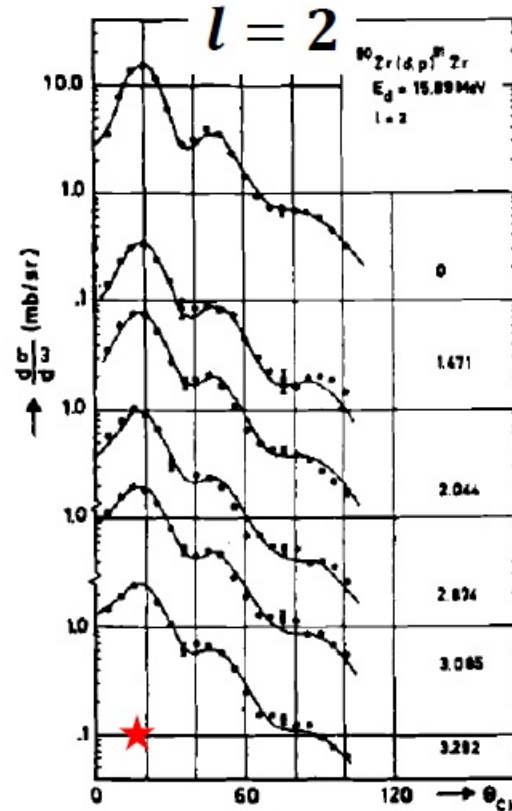
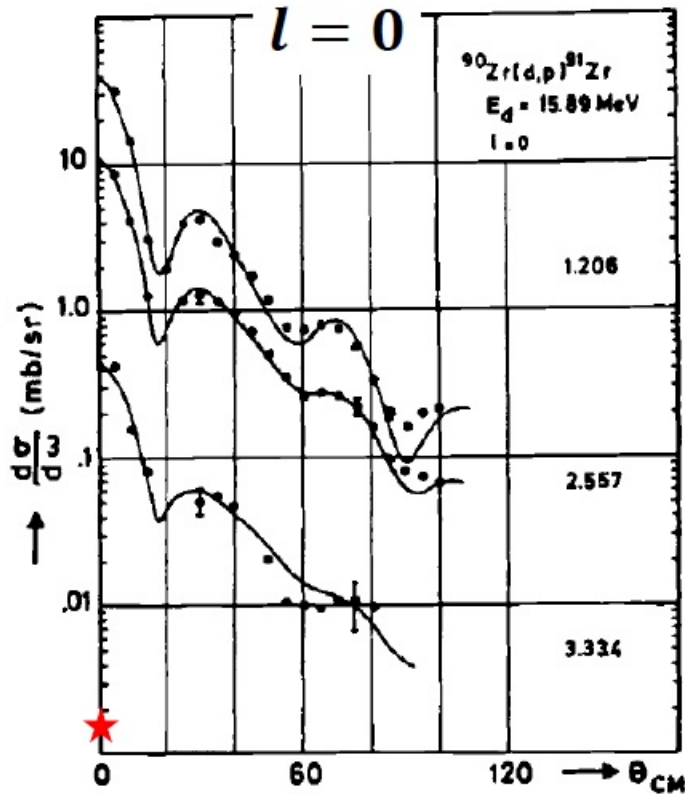
- $p_d = \sqrt{2m_d E_d} \approx 140 \text{ MeV}$
- The reaction Q-value and excitation energy of the recoil nucleus are much less than the incoming deuteron energy, so , so $p_p \approx p_d \approx 140 \text{ MeV}$
- Note that $p^2 = p_a^2 + p_b^2 - 2p_a p_b \cos(\theta) = (p_a - p_b)^2 + 2p_a p_b (1 - \cos(\theta))$
- So, $p \approx \sqrt{2p_a p_b (1 - \cos(\theta))}$ and it's still true that $p = l\hbar/R$
- Meaning, $l \approx \frac{c}{\hbar c} R \sqrt{2p_a p_b (1 - \cos(\theta))}$
- For this case $l = \frac{c}{197 \text{ MeV fm}} r_0 90^{1/3} \sqrt{2(140 \text{ MeV}/c)(140 \text{ MeV}/c)(1 - \cos(\theta))} \approx 8 \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$
- i.e. $l = 0$ at 0° , $l = 1$ at 14° , etc.
- This of course is a classical estimate, what it really tells us is the angle θ_l at which the angular distribution for a given l transfer will peak



Angular distribution examples

$$\star = \theta_l$$

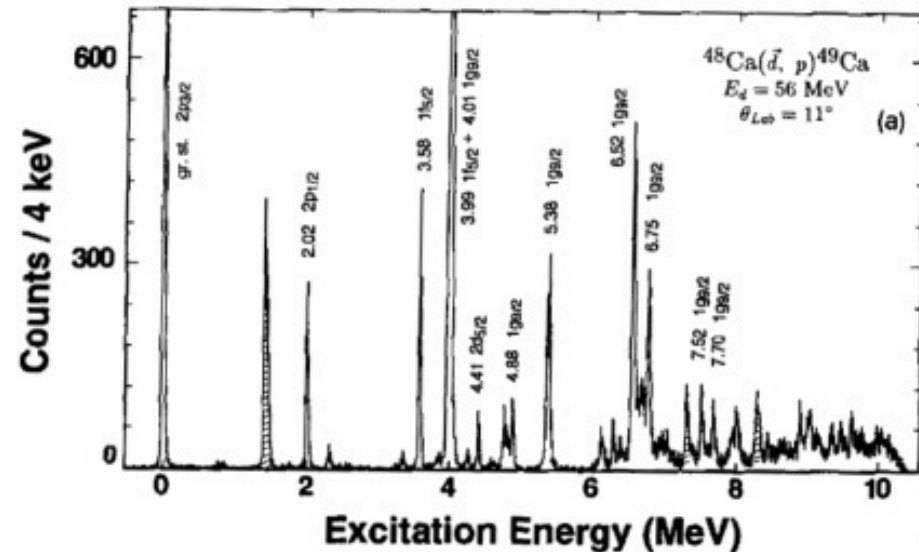
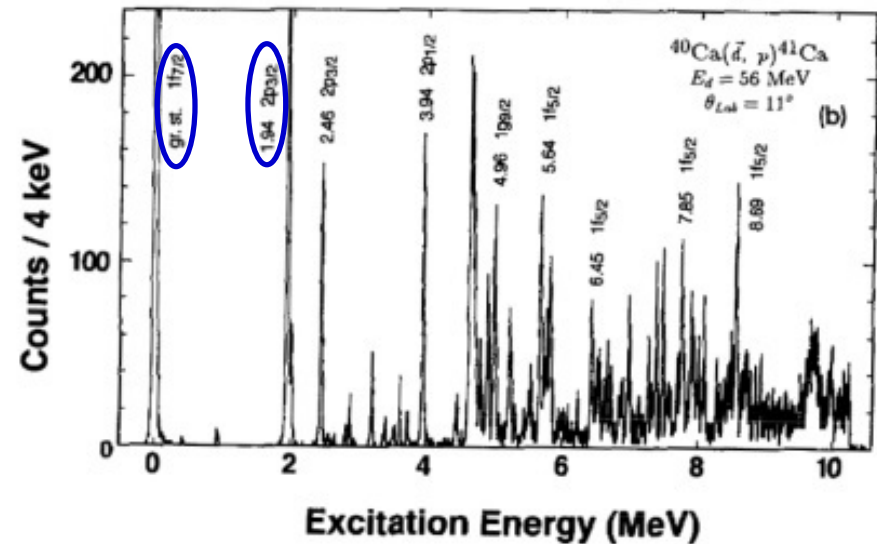
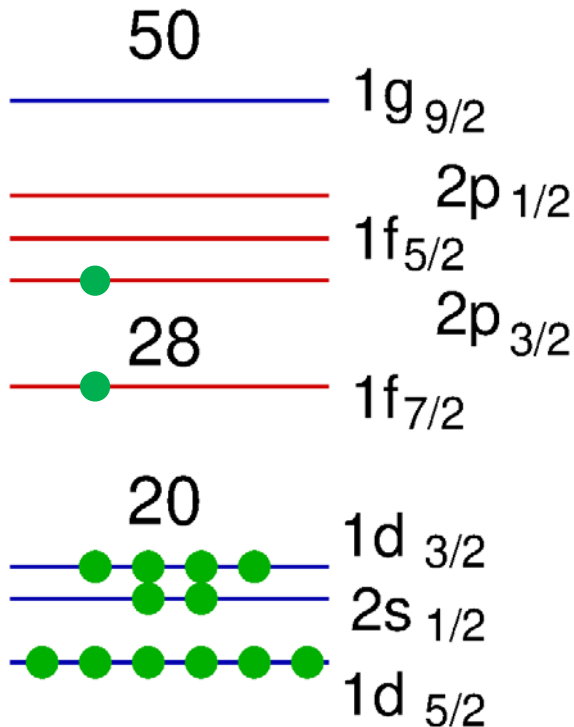
K.S. Krane, Introductory Nuclear Physics (1987)



*These are plots of θ_{cm} and we did our calculations for θ_{lab} , but for a light low-energy beam on a heavy target, $\theta_{cm} \approx \theta_{lab}$

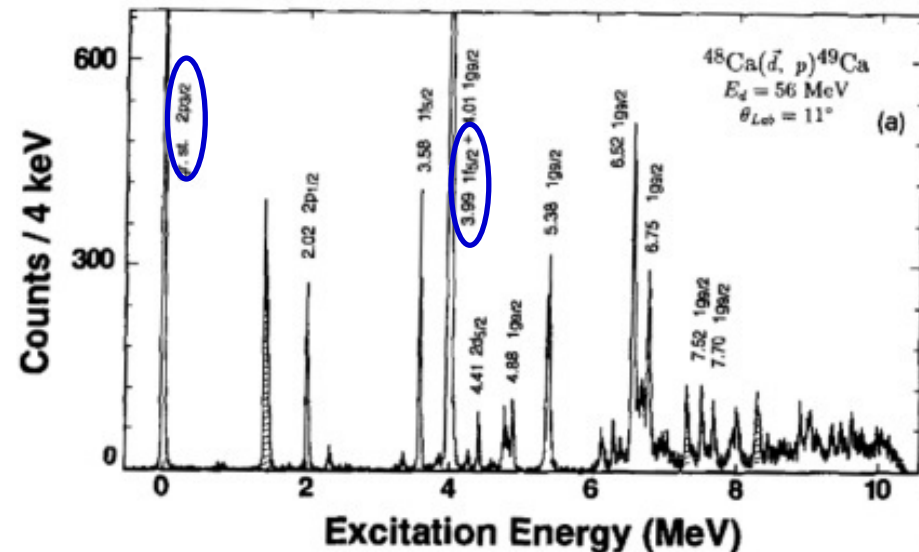
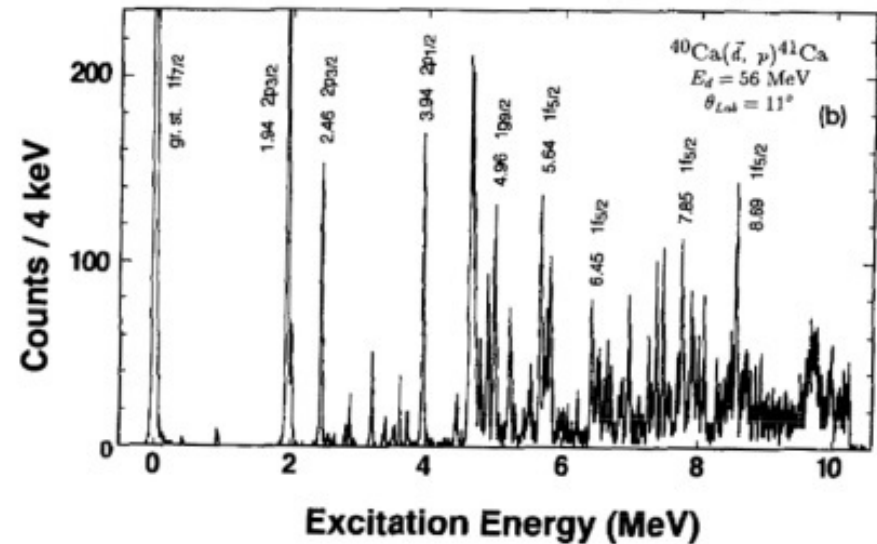
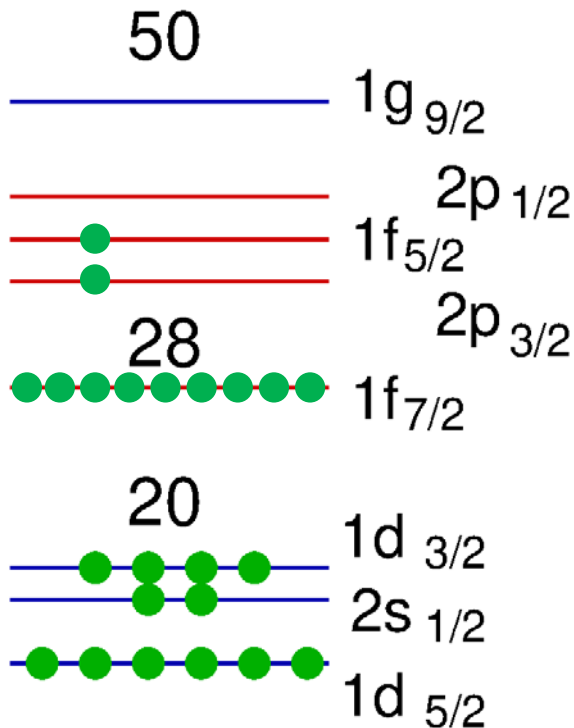
Probing occupation of levels

- ❖ measure energy of levels and determine their occupation
- ❖ (d,p) transfer reaction to add a neutron



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- ❖ map valence space above a magic number



Intuitive view of spectroscopic factors

Spectroscopic factor: the square overlap of a final state with a single particle state

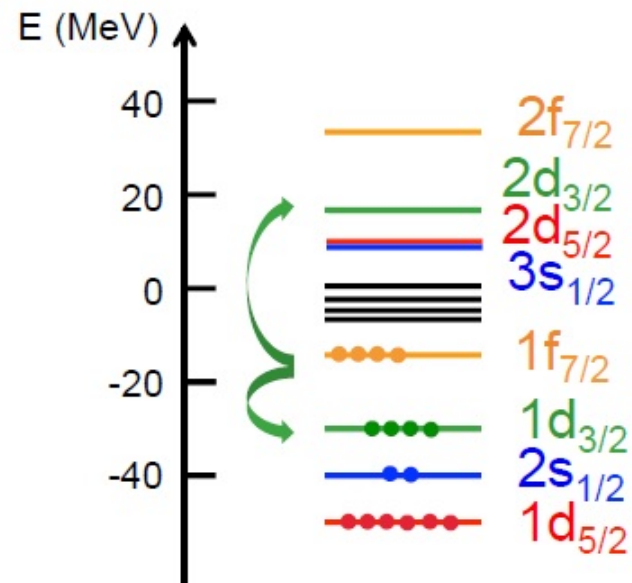
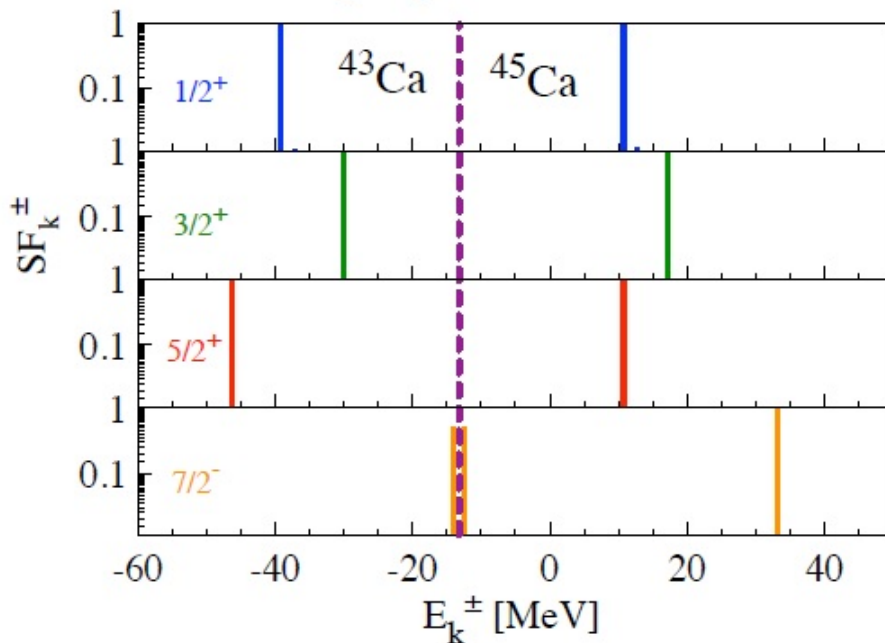
$$S_k^{n\ell j+} = \langle \Psi_k^{A+1} | a_{n\ell j}^+ | \Psi_0^A \rangle^2$$

Pick-up, exp: $^{44}\text{Ca}(\text{d},\text{p})^{45}\text{Ca}$

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Stripping, exp: $^{44}\text{Ca}(\text{p},\text{d})^{43}\text{Ca}$

Pure single-particle ^{44}Ca nucleus



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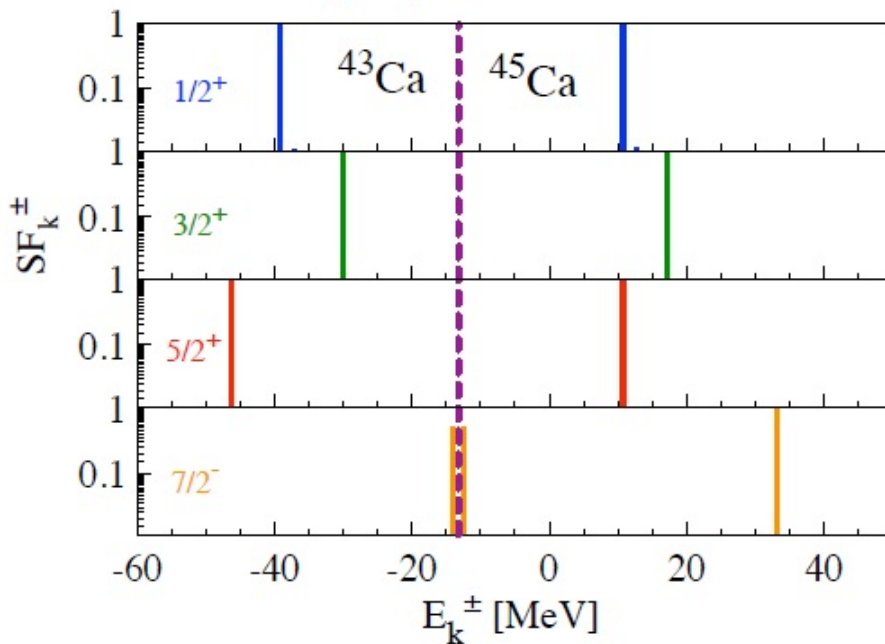
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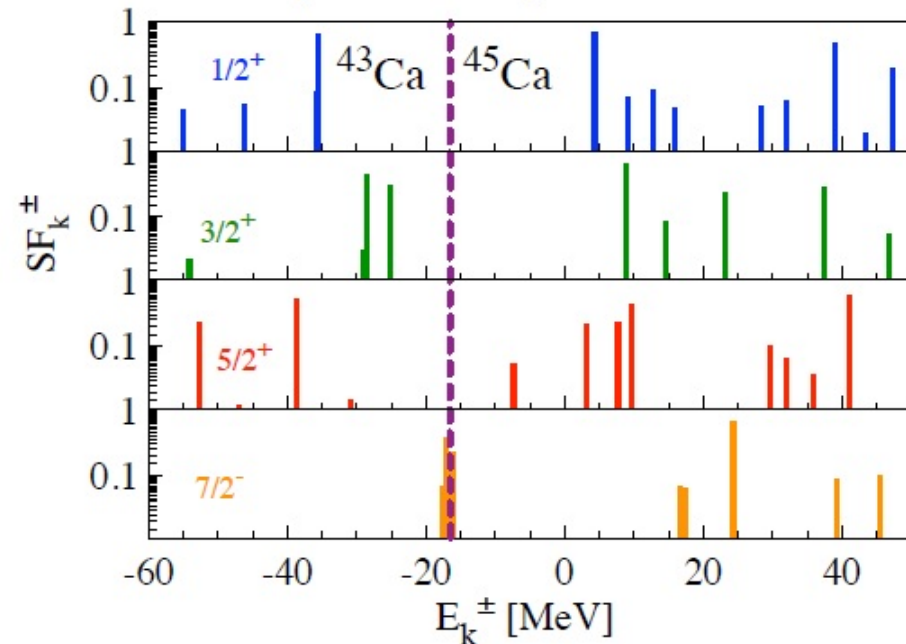
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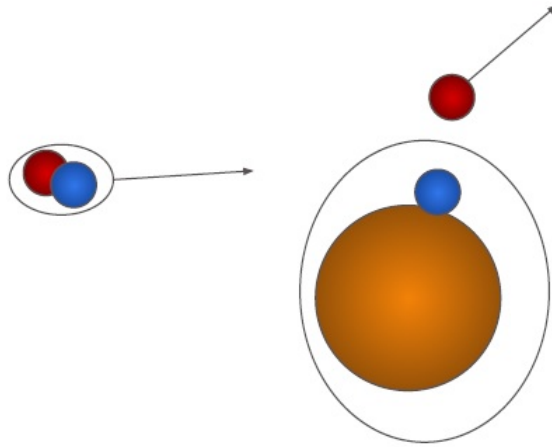


Real (correlated) ^{44}Ca nucleus



In reality: $0 < \text{SF} < 1$

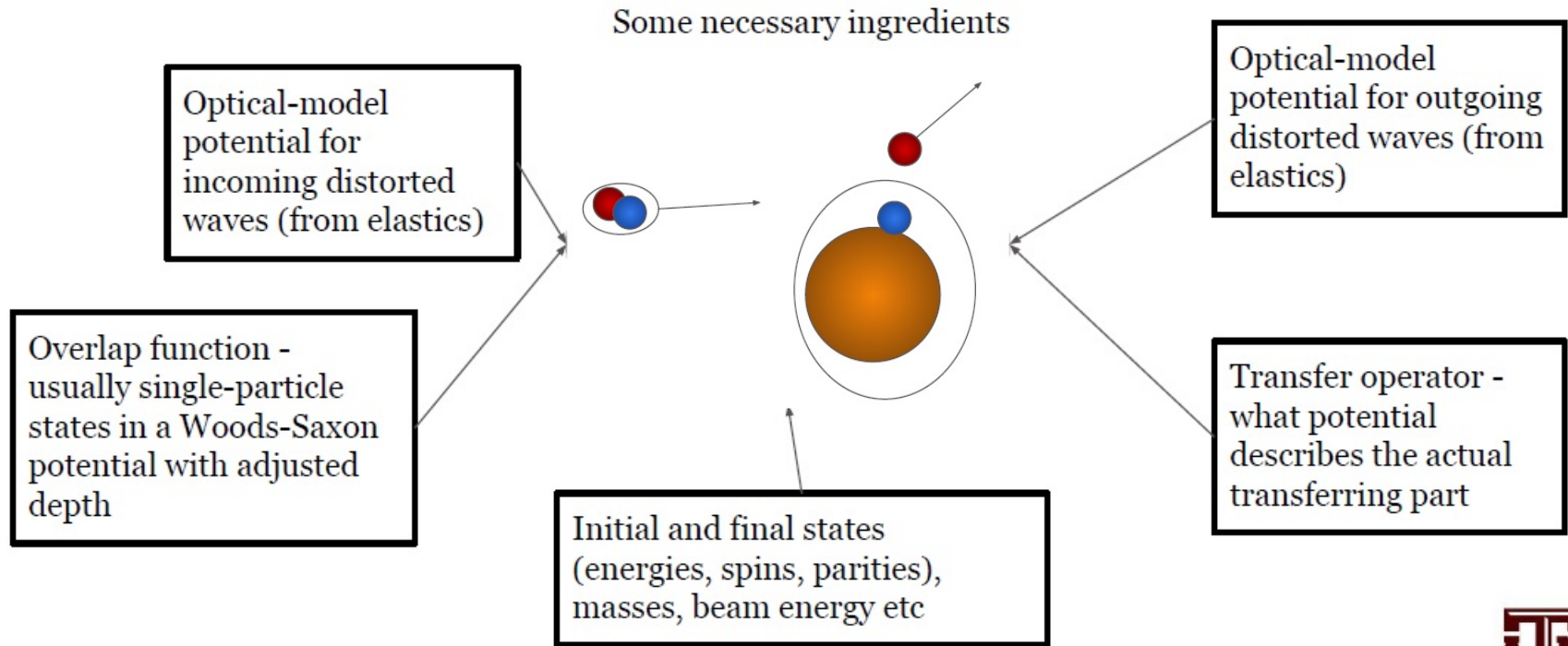
Theory of transfer reactions



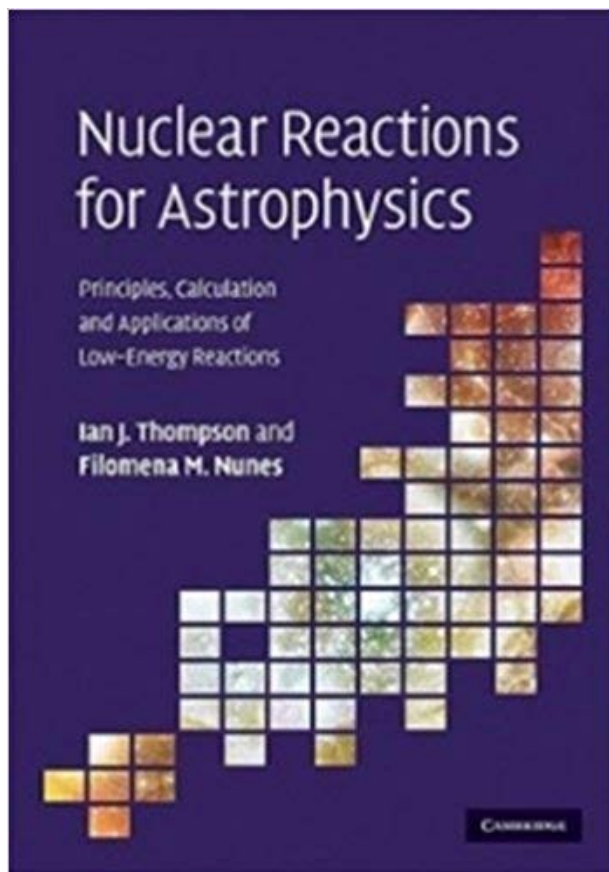
Assume the following:

- ❖ Entrance and exit channels dominated by elastic scattering
- ❖ Transfer is weak - treat as **first-order perturbation**
- ❖ Transfer proceeds directly between two channels
- ❖ Direct transfer into the final state with no other rearrangement of the core

Theory of transfer reactions



This book



has all the gory details and, tells you how to use the code FRESKO, which is mainly for coupled-channels, but can do DWBA as well

Fresco

Coupled Reaction Channels Calculations
www.fresco.org.uk

Fresco Input Examples

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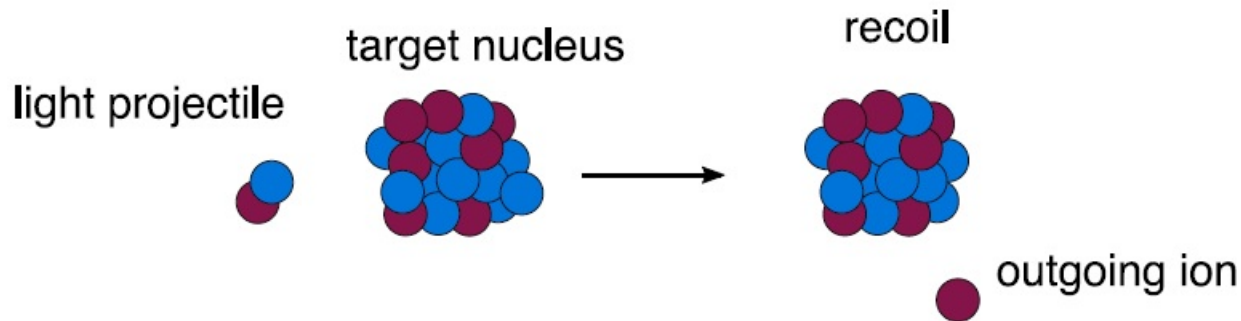
From Appendix B of the book:

		Input Files	Expected Output Files
B1	Elastic Scattering	B1-example-el.in	B1-example-el.out
B2	Inelastic Scattering	B2-example-inel2.in	B2-example-inel2.out
B3	Breakup (long form)	B3-example-br-long.in	B3-example-br-long.out
B4	Breakup (short form)	B4-example-br-short.in	B4-example-br-short.out
B5	Transfer	B5-example-tr.in	B5-example-tr.out
B6	Capture	B6-example-capture.in	B6-example-capture.out
B7	Parameter search	B7-p-cd.frin	B9-p-cd.out
B8		B8-p-cd.search	B9-p-cd-init.plot
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Note that there are some misprints in listing the inputs in the book. The above input files are those which do work: they give the output files.

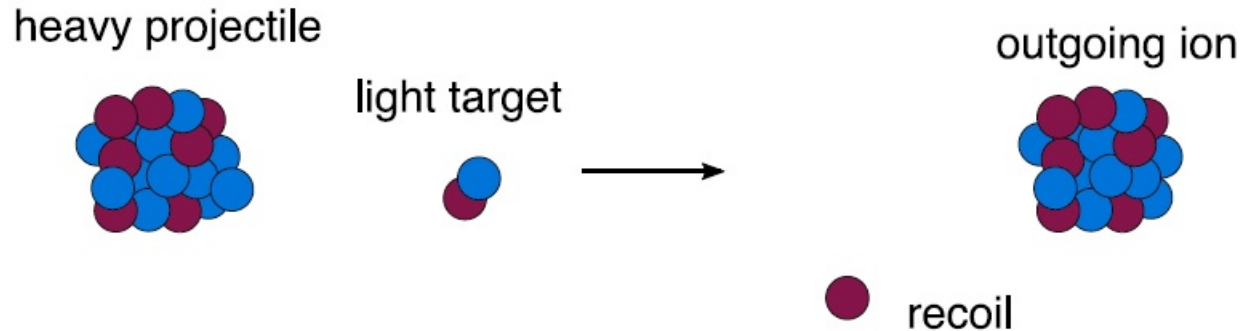
Computer Program FRESKO

Radioactive beams



- reactions with exotic nuclei need to be performed in inverse kinematics
- heavy beam of nucleus of interest impinges on a light target

- $A(a, b)B$
- measure ejectile
- good resolution (10 keV)



- $a(A, b)B$ at 5-10 A MeV
- HIE-ISOLDE, TRIUMF, GANIL, OEDO
- measure recoil
- limited resolution (100 - 500 keV)

Knockout reactions ^{11}Li – neutron halo nucleus

- ❖ fast projectile mass A collides with light target
- ❖ mass $(A - 1)$ residues are detected
- ❖ light fragments are unobserved, final state tagging by γ -ray if needed
- ❖ sudden approximation:

$$\vec{k}_3 = \frac{A-1}{A} \cdot \vec{k}_A - \vec{k}_{A-1}$$

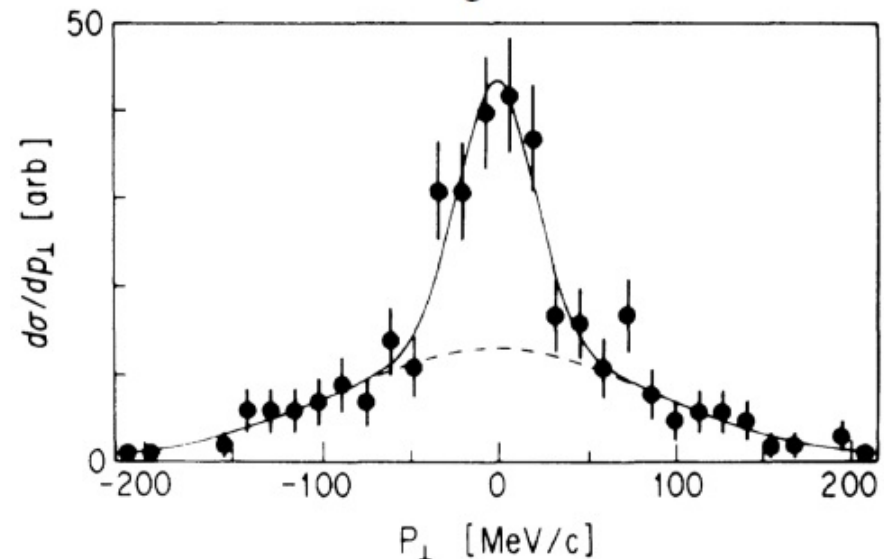
momentum of the stuck nucleon k_3 is related to the residues k_{A-1}

- ❖ two components in the transverse momentum distribution of ^9Li residues
- ❖ broad like for stable nuclei
- ❖ very narrow component
→ removal of weakly bound neutrons
- ❖ uncertainty relation

$$\Delta p \cdot \Delta x \geq \hbar$$

small → large

^{11}Li at 0.8 AGeV on C target



Measurement of the reaction cross section

- ❖ 800 MeV/u ^{11}B primary beam
- ❖ Fragmentation
- ❖ FRagment Separator FRS

test of the extended wave function

momentum distribution:

- wider momentum distribution for strongly bound particles
- narrow momentum distribution for weakly bound particles

interpretation:

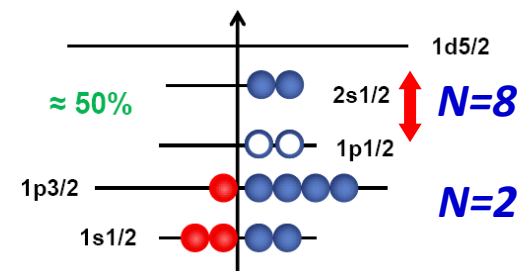
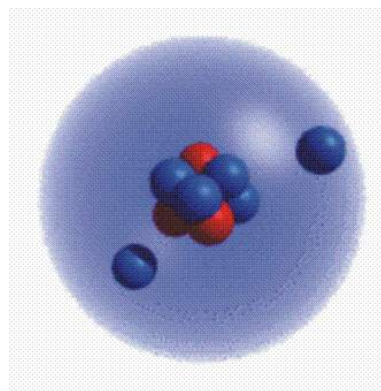
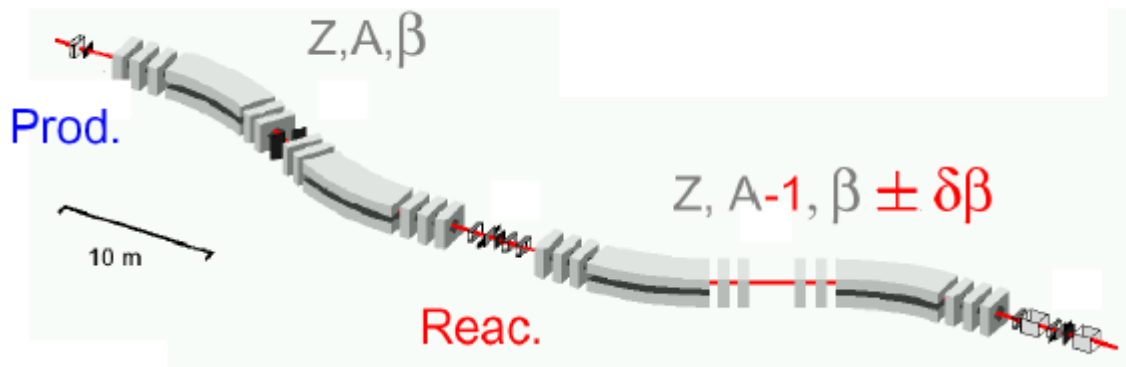
One can simplify ^{11}Li by describing it as a ^9Li core plus a di-neutron

One can use the arguments of an extended wave function with an exponential decline:

$$S_{2n} = 250(80) \text{ keV}$$

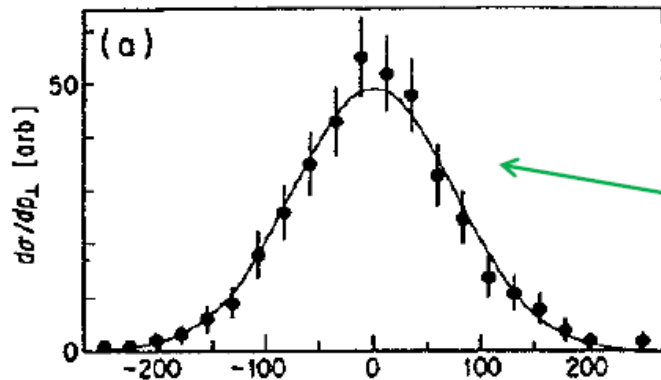
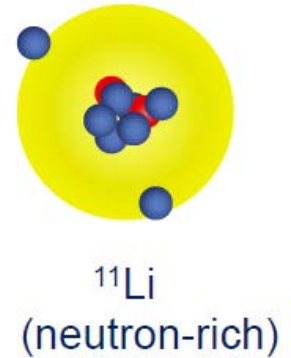
$$\Psi(r) \propto \frac{e^{-\kappa r}}{r}$$

$$\kappa^2 = \frac{2 \cdot \mu_{2n} \cdot S_{2n}}{\hbar^2}$$

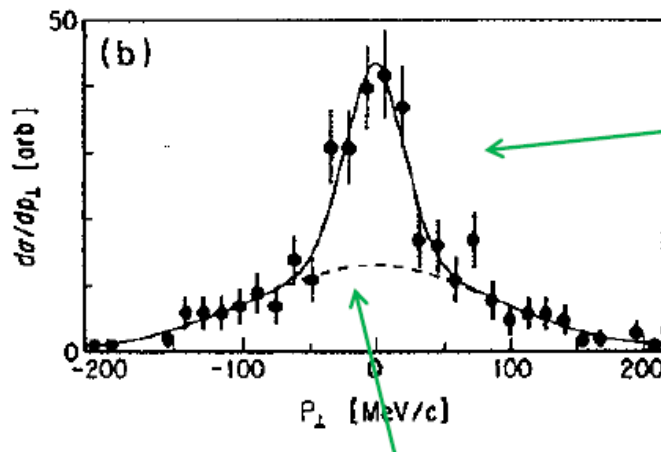


Discovery of halo nuclei

Momentum distribution of ^{11}Li



^6He distribution from ^8He
similar to Goldhaber model



^9Li distribution from ^{11}Li (**very narrow!**)

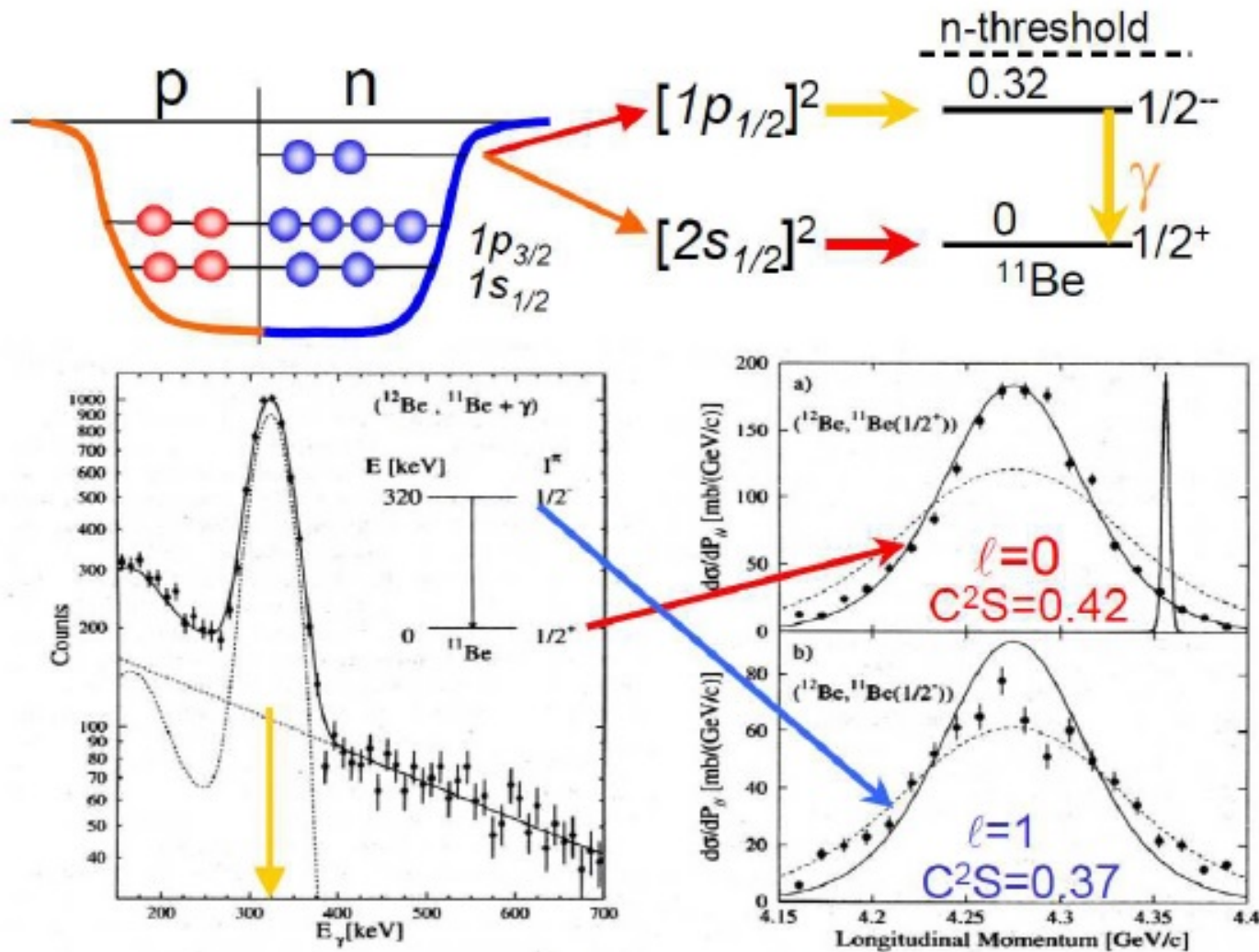
uncertainty principle

$$\Delta p \cdot \Delta x \geq \hbar$$

small \rightarrow large

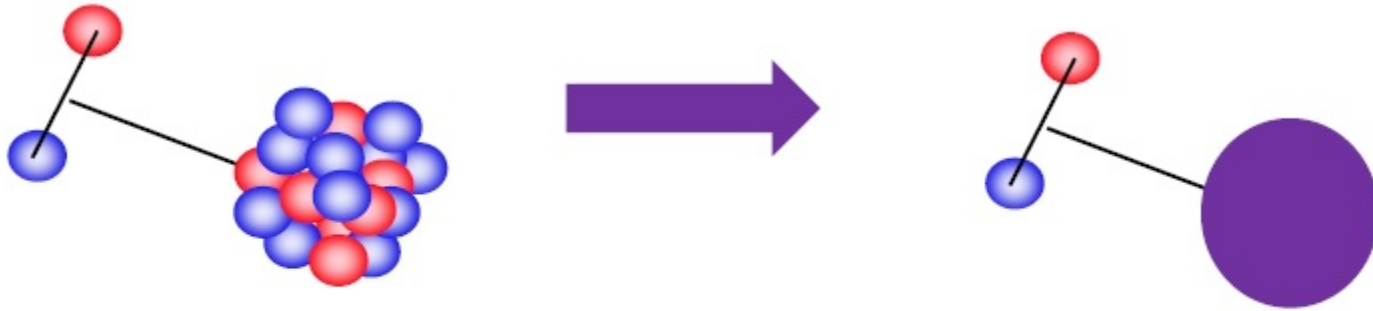
wider distribution is similar to Goldhaber model

Knockout typical result: ^{12}Be



A. Navin *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 85, 266 (2000)

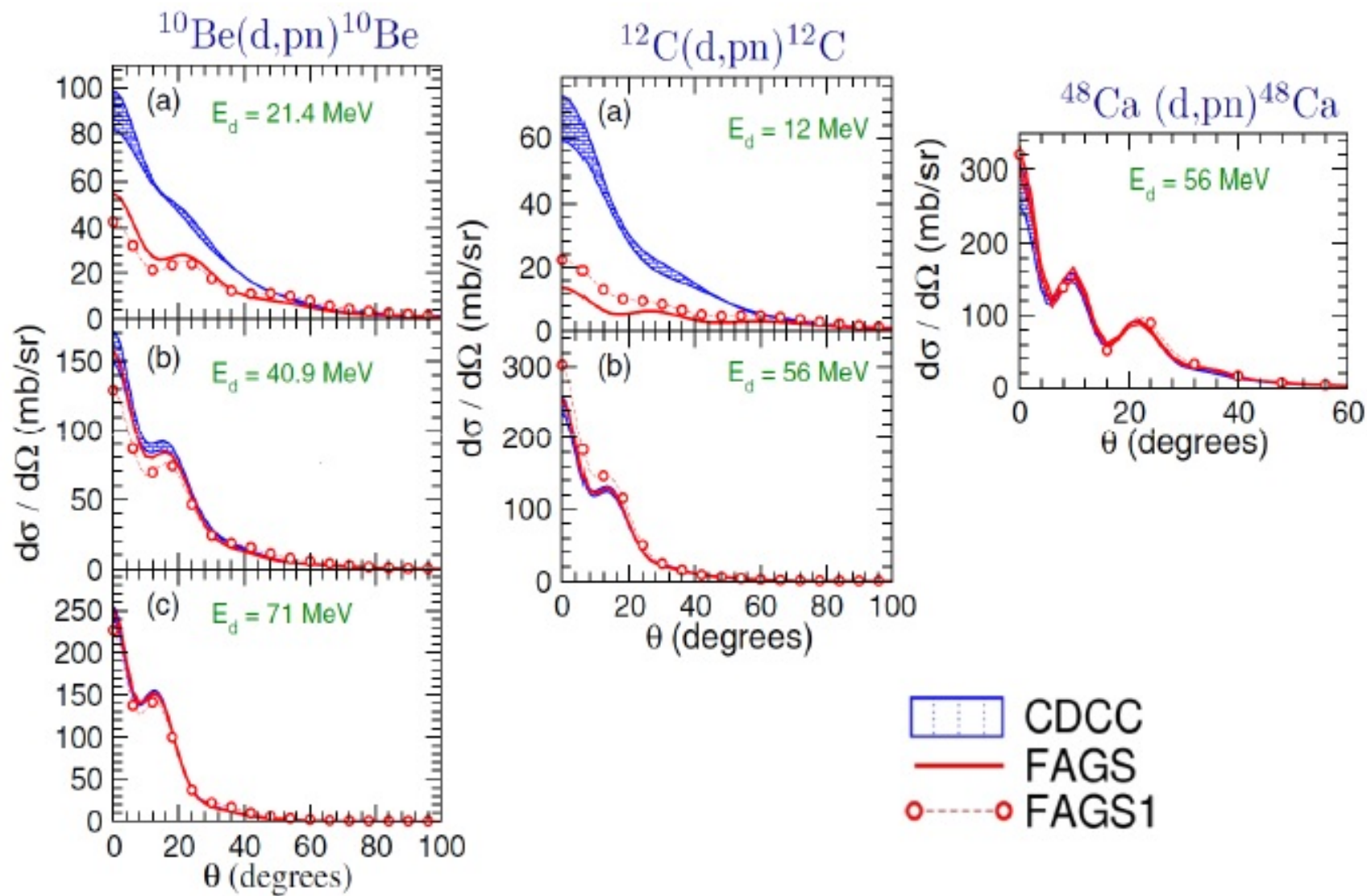
Reducing the many body to a few body problems



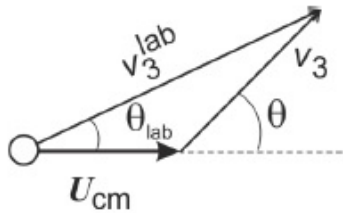
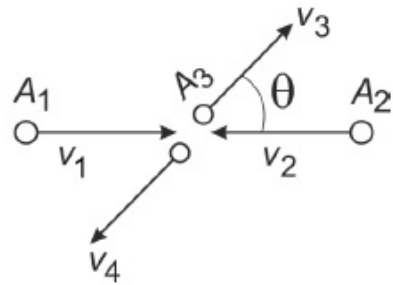
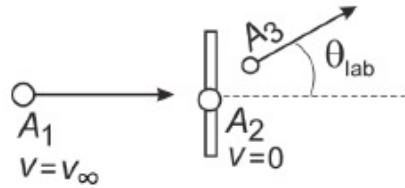
- ☐ isolating the important degrees of freedom in a reaction
 - ☐ keeping track of all relevant channels
 - ☐ connecting back to the many-body problem
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- ☐ effective nucleon-nucleus interactions (or nucleus-nucleus)
(energy dependence/non-local)
 - ☐ many body input

does not converge for $Z \geq 20$

Reaction methods; comparing CDCC with Faddeev



Appendix: nuclear kinematics



Laboratory system $A_1 + A_2 \rightarrow A_3 + x$

$$E_{lab} = \frac{m_N A_1}{2} v_\infty^2 \quad E_{c.m.} = \frac{A_2}{A_1 + A_2} E_{lab} = \frac{\mu}{2} v_\infty^2 \quad \mu = \frac{A_1 A_2}{A_1 + A_2}$$

Center of mass system

$$A_1 v_1 = A_2 v_2 \quad v_1 = \frac{A_2}{A_1 + A_2} v_\infty \quad v_2 = \frac{A_1}{A_1 + A_2} v_\infty$$

$$U_{cm} = \frac{A_1 v_1^{lab} + A_2 v_2^{lab}}{A_1 + A_2} = \frac{A_1}{A_1 + A_2} v_\infty \quad \text{-- velocity of the center of mass}$$

Laboratory system: $\tan \theta_3^{lab} = \frac{v_3 \sin \theta}{v_3 \cos \theta + U_{cm}} = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta + \frac{U_{cm}}{v_3}}$

Elastic scattering:

$$v_3 = v_1 = \frac{A_2}{A_1 + A_2} v_\infty; \quad \frac{U_{cm}}{v_3} = \frac{A_1}{A_3}; \quad \tan \theta_3^{lab} = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta + A_1/A_2}$$

$$A_1 = A_2 \Rightarrow \tan \theta_3^{lab} = \frac{1}{2} \theta$$