

Nuclear reactions for astrophysics

experimental activities in NPI CAS and collaborations

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Outline

- Indirect methods
 - Asymptotic Normalization Coefficients
 - Trojan Horse Method
- project SPIRAL2-CZ and
- nuclear reactions with astrophysical context in GANIL/SPIRAL2 and IPN Orsay

Experimental environment in NPI CAS

U120M cyclotron

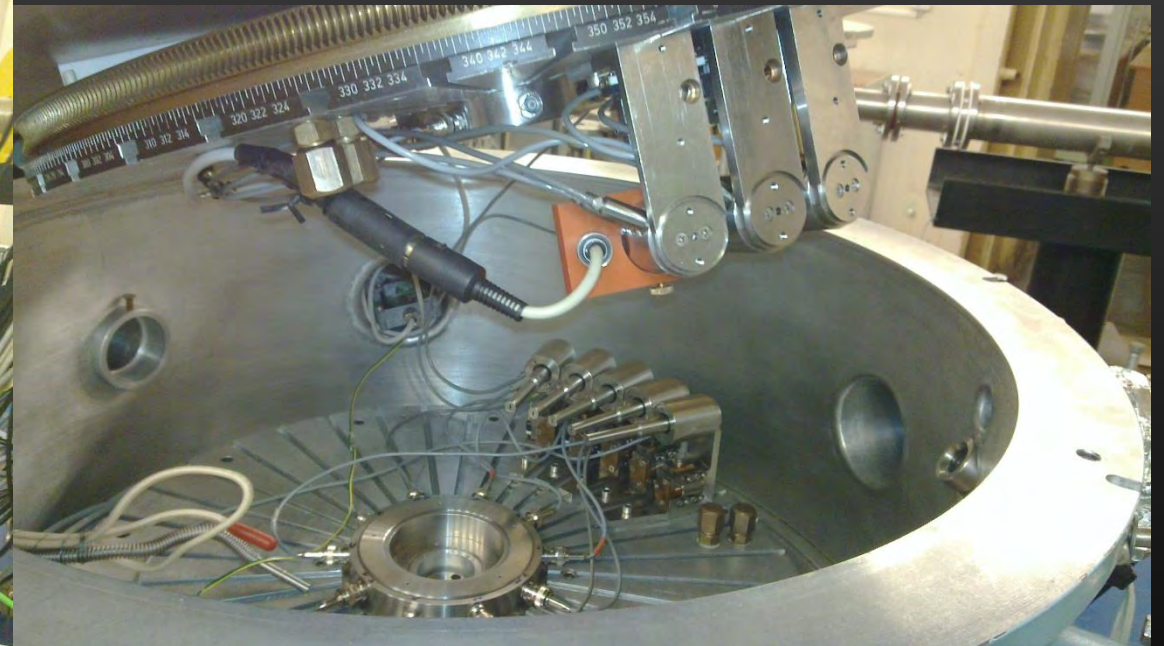
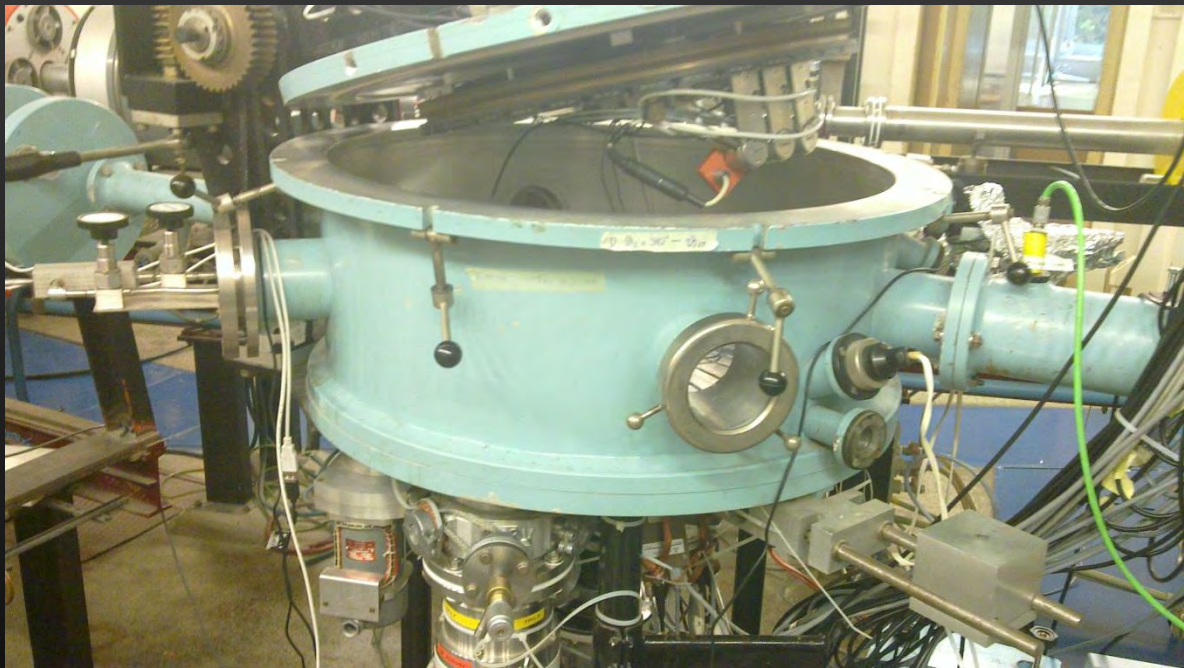
(talk of J.Dobes and J.Stursa this morning)

U120M can deliver p, d, ^3He and ^4He beams with energy approx. 10-40 MeV

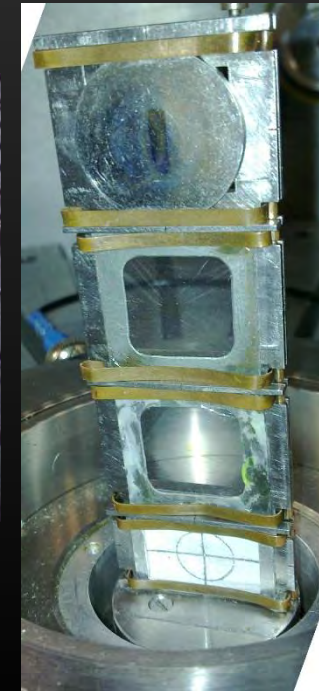
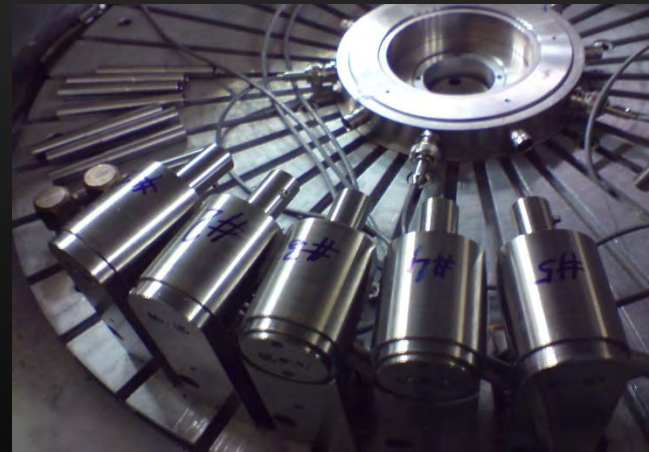
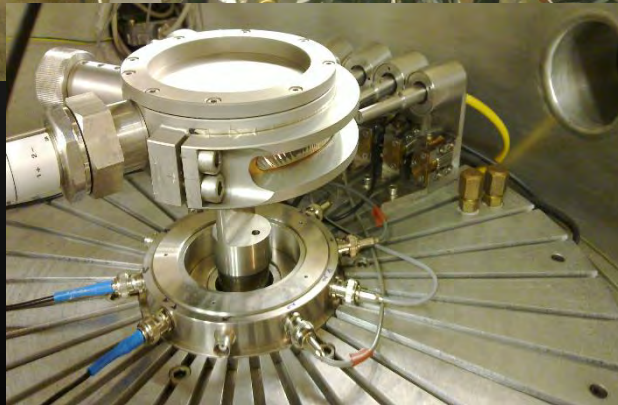
at intensities up to 20 nA in the experimental hall 102



Experimental environment in NPI CAS



Typical experimental ANC setup in NPI



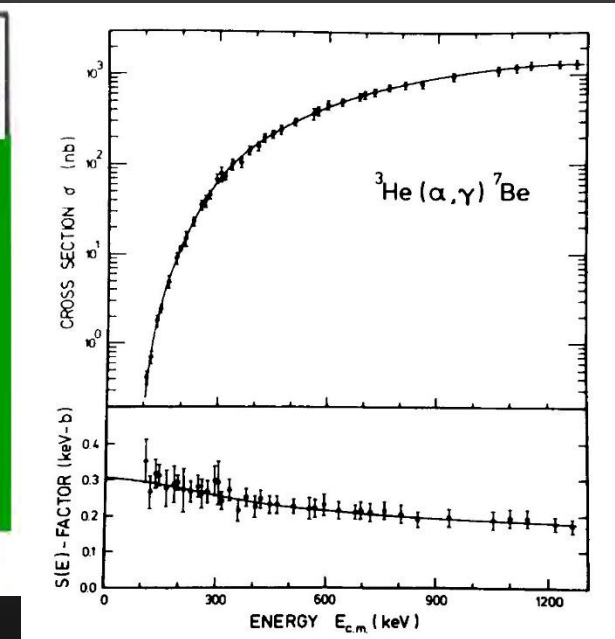
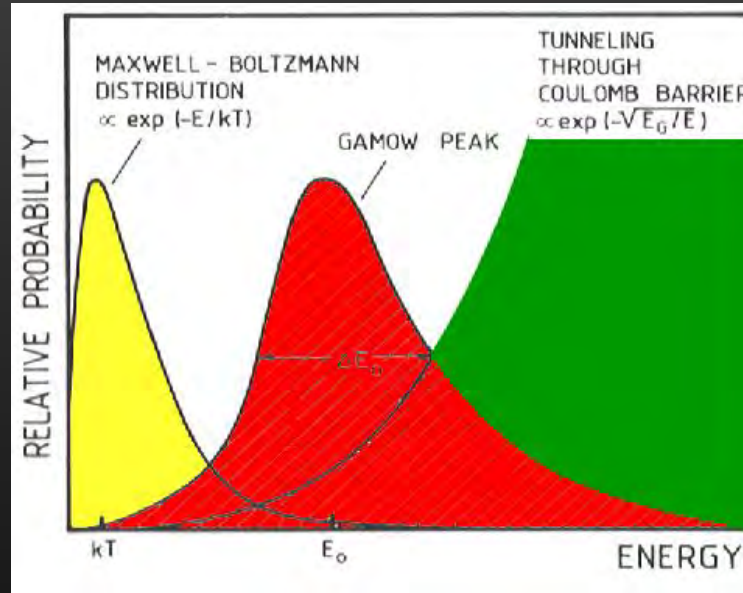
Why indirect?

Ractions typically at low energies

Energies of Gamow peak

in Sun and AGB stars typically tens or 100 keV

explosive scenarios e.g. $p+^{28}\text{Si}$ 380 keV



Astrophysical S factor

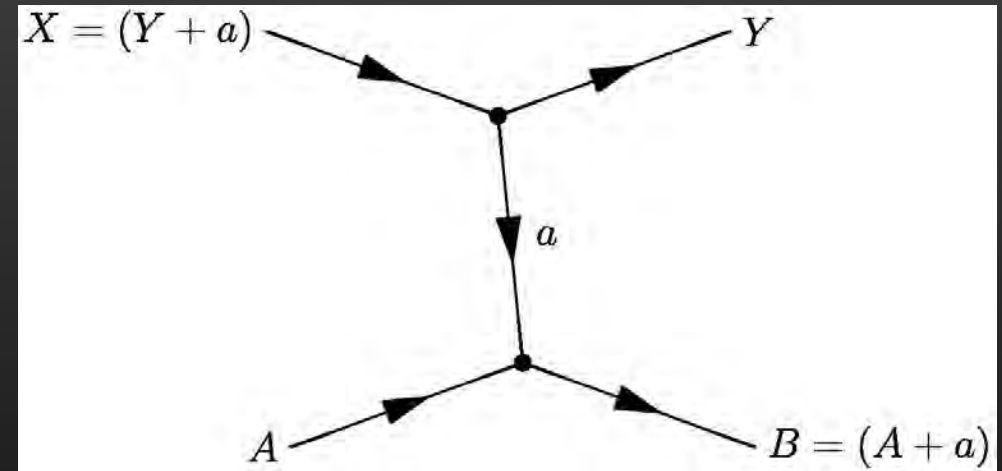
$$S(E) = \sigma(E) E \exp(2\pi\eta)$$

Sommerfield factor $\eta = Z_1 Z_2 e^2 / (\hbar v)$

Indirect methods in NPI CAS

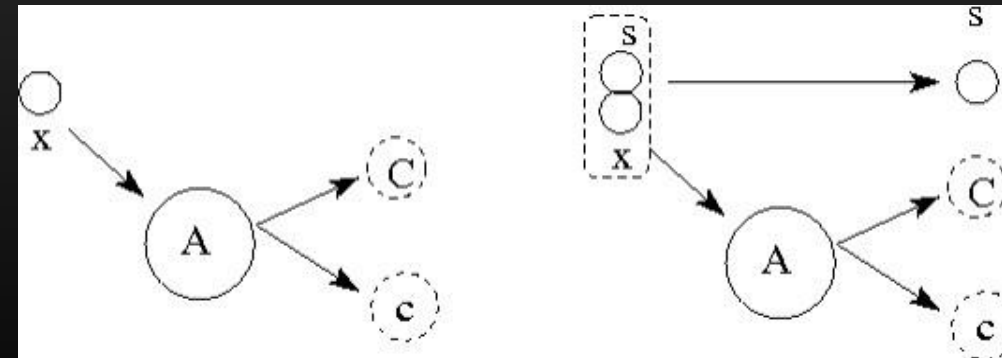
Asymptotic Normalization Coefficients (ANC)

- study a direct binary reaction in peripheral conditions
- determine the nuclear vertex constant(s) $X+A \rightarrow Y+B$
- extract a x.s of direct radiative capture $a + A \rightarrow B + \text{gamma}$



Trojan Horse method (THM)

- study a ternary reaction at exact conditions
- determine $x+A \rightarrow C + c$ behavior around E_{trsh}



ANC principles

The method comes from DWBA technique

DWBA amplitude is given by:

$$M(E_i, \cos\theta) = \sum_{M_a} \langle \chi_f^{(-)} I_{Aa}^B | \Delta V | I_{Ya}^X \chi_i^{(+)} \rangle$$

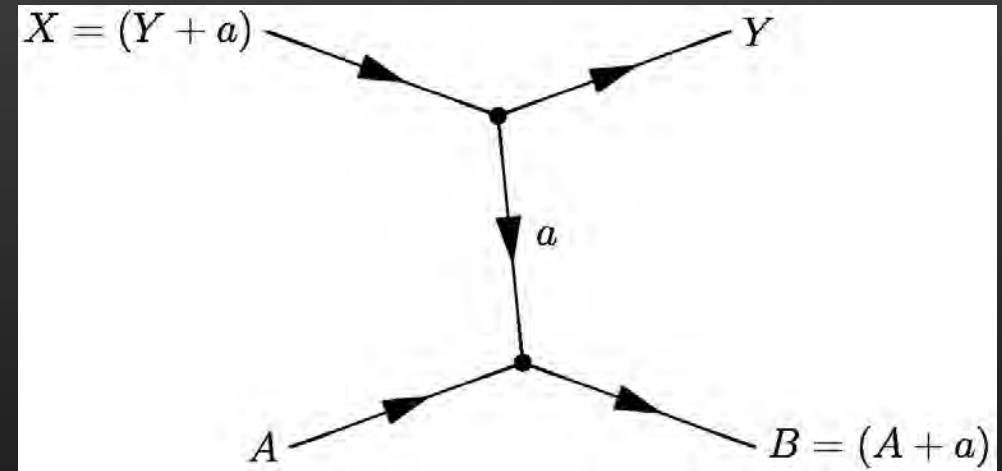
$$I_{\beta\gamma l_\alpha j_\alpha}^\alpha(r_{\beta\gamma}) = S_{\beta\gamma l_\alpha j_\alpha}^{1/2} \phi_{n_\alpha l_\alpha j_\alpha}(r_{\beta\gamma})$$

DWBA cross section:

$$\sigma_{l_B j_B l_x j_x}^{DW} \sim |M(E_i, \cos\theta)|^2$$

experimental cross section and spectroscopic factors:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \sum_{j_B j_x} S_{Aa l_B j_B} S_{Ya l_x j_x} \sigma_{l_B j_B l_x j_x}^{DW}$$



Radial overlap function is approximated by a model wave function of the bound state

Spectroscopic factors – model dependent

But IF nuclear interior is not much involved ...

ANC principles

$$I_{\beta\gamma l_\alpha j_\alpha}^\alpha(r_{\beta\gamma}) = S_{\beta\gamma l_\alpha j_\alpha}^{1/2} \phi_{n_\alpha l_\alpha j_\alpha}(r_{\beta\gamma})$$

For peripheral reaction:

C is ANC

b is a single particle ANC

Radial Overlap function in asymptotic behavior

$$I_{\beta\gamma l_\alpha j_\alpha}^\alpha(r_{\beta\gamma}) \xrightarrow{r_{\beta\gamma} > R_N} C_{\beta\gamma l_\alpha j_\alpha}^\alpha \frac{W_{-\eta_\alpha, l_\alpha + 1/2}(2\kappa_{\beta\gamma} r_{\beta\gamma})}{r_{\beta\gamma}}$$

$$\phi_{n_\alpha l_\alpha j_\alpha}(r_{\beta\gamma}) \xrightarrow{r_{\beta\gamma} > R_N} b_{\beta\gamma l_\alpha j_\alpha} \frac{W_{-\eta_\alpha, l_\alpha + 1/2}(2\kappa_{\beta\gamma} r_{\beta\gamma})}{r_{\beta\gamma}}$$

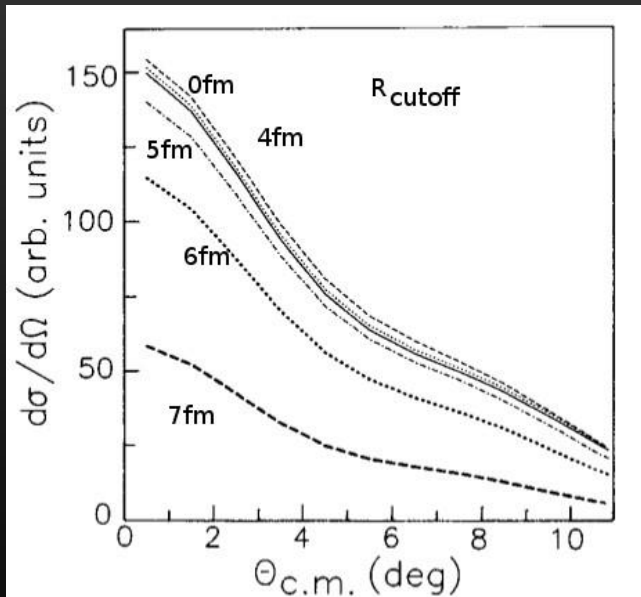
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \sum_{j_B j_X} (C_{Aal_B j_B}^B)^2 (C_{Yal_X j_X}^X)^2 \frac{\sigma_{l_B j_B l_X j_X}^{DWBA}}{b_{Aal_B j_B}^2 b_{Yal_X j_X}^2} = \sum_{j_B j_X} (C_{Aal_B j_B}^B)^2 (C_{Yal_X j_X}^X)^2 R_{l_B j_B l_X j_X}$$

And – for peripheral reaction - $R_{l_B j_B l_X j_X}$ is nearly independent of b^2

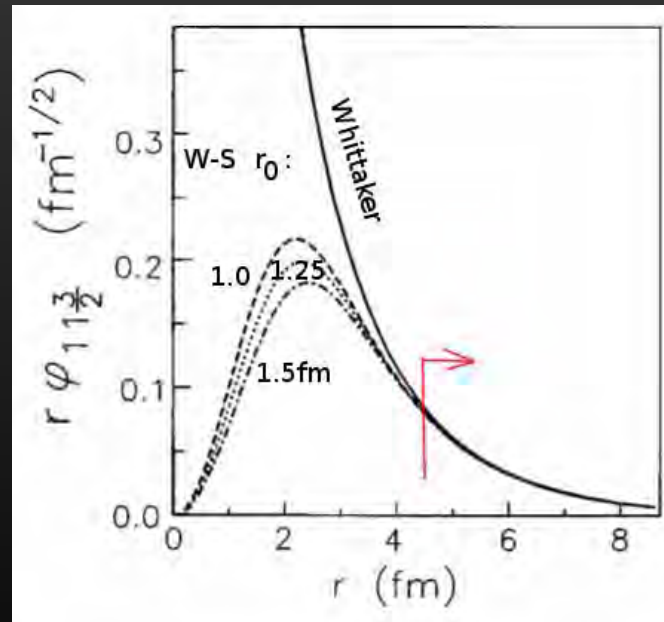
Reaction peripherality

Example from ${}^9\text{Be}(p,\gamma){}^{10}\text{B}$ Mukhamedzhanov, *PhysRev*56,1302

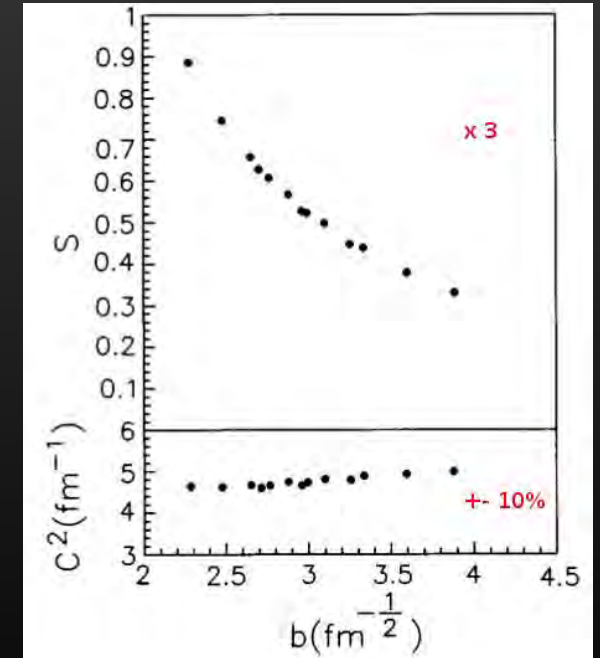
To verify a peripherality of the reaction in experimental conditions, several checks are done.
 - optical potentials were deduced first from the angular distributions



DWBA xs.behaviour without interior (R_{cutoff})

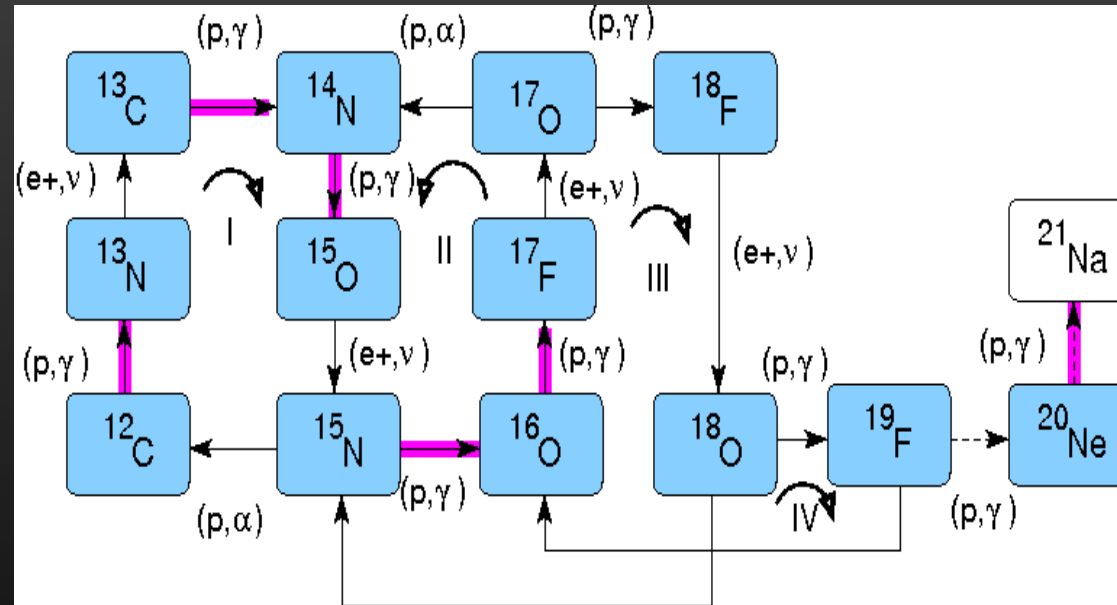


Radial bound state wavefunctions for different r_0



Dependence of S factor and C on single particle ANC

Radiative capture reactions in CNO cycle

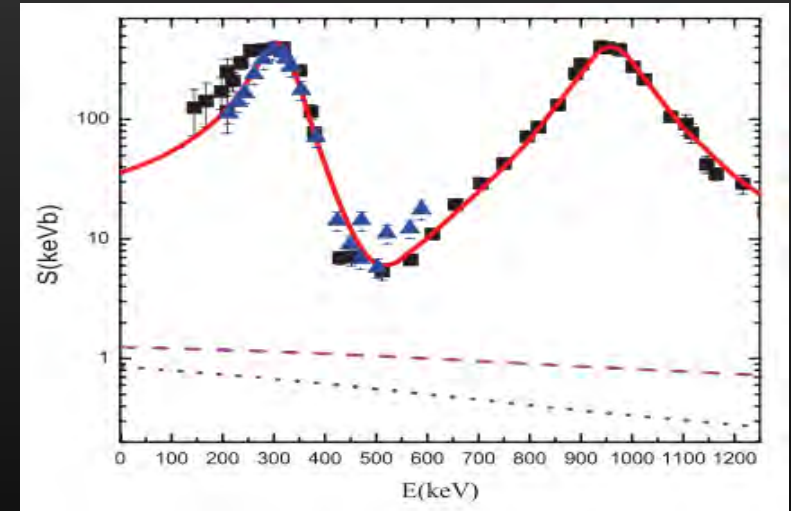
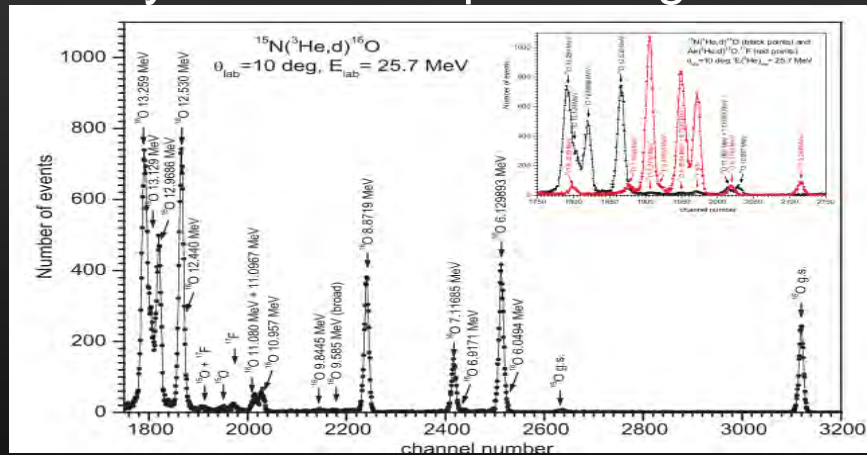


ANCs Measured using $(^3\text{He},d)$ in NPI Rez
and (d,p)

$^{15}\text{N}(p,\text{gamma})^{16}\text{O}$

measured with $^{15}\text{N}(^3\text{He},d)^{16}\text{O}$

- CN cycle transform to CNO II, CNO III
- dominated by resonant capture to g.s. through two J=1- resonances



$S(0) = 36.0$ (6.0) keV b ... below the previous value 64 (6) NPA235 (1974)

R-matrix fit

rate of leak from CN cycle -

- one in every 2200 (300) (previously 1200)

A.M. Mukhamedzhanov et al., PRC78, 015804 (2008) PRC83, 044604 (2011)

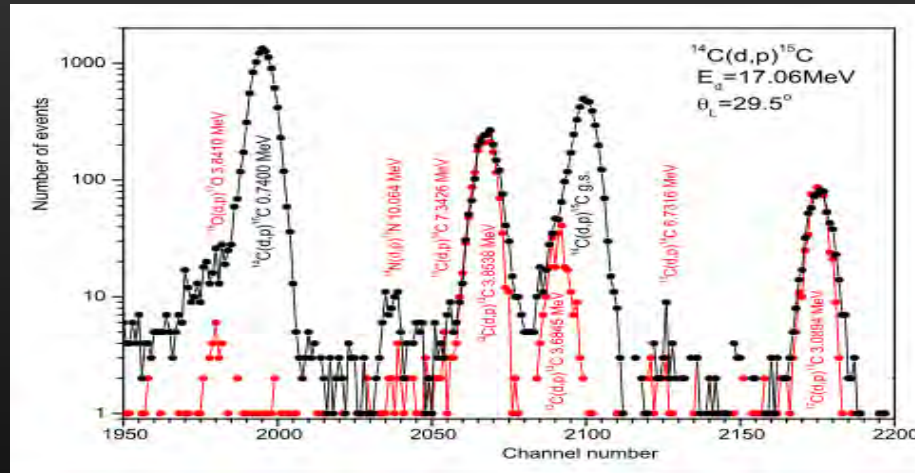
LUNA measurement - 39.6 \pm 2.6 keV b PRC82, 55804 (2010)

$^{14}\text{C}(n,\text{gamma})^{15}\text{C}$

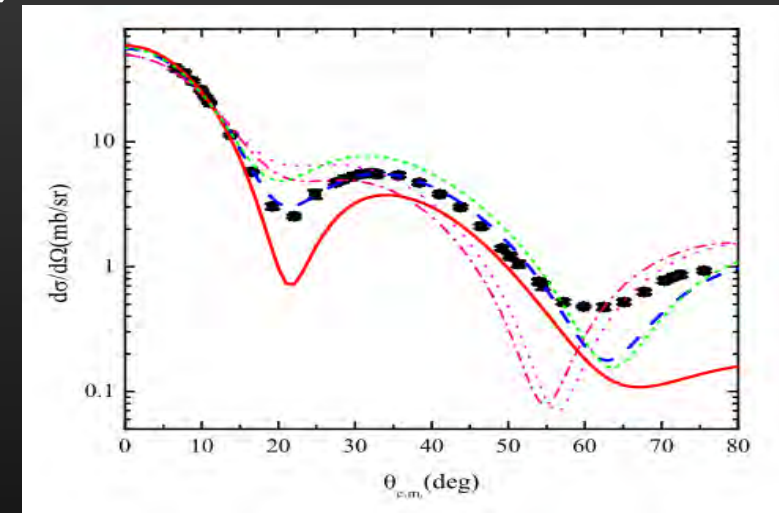
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using (d,p) reaction

- 'depletes' ^{14}C in inhomogenous big bang models (production $A > 20$)
- depletion of CNO cycle isotopes in AGB stars, seeds for r-process



ang. dist. from trans. to g.s.



- ANC's determined for g.s. and 1st excited state
- $C_{01/2}^2 = 1.64 \pm 0.26 \text{ fm}^{-1}$ $C_{25/2}^2 = (3.55 \pm 0.43) \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ fm}^{-1}$
- **FR-ADWA** approach decreased the errors (24% \rightarrow 16%)
- value overlaps with that from **mirror symmetry**,
- older d,p measurement overestimated xs. By 30% at fw angles

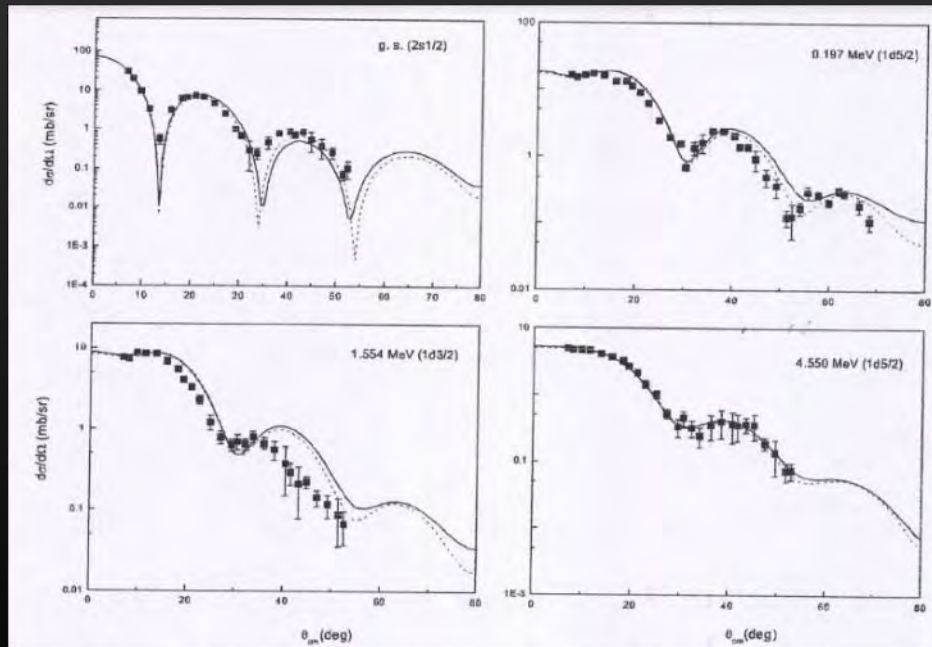
$C_{01/2}^2$	
1.89 \pm 0.11	^{15}F mirror
1.48 \pm 0.18	prev. exp.
1.64 \pm 0.03	Coul. dissoc
1.88 \pm 0.18	in TAMU (2014)

$^{18}\text{O}(p,\gamma)^{19}\text{F}$

various ratios of oxygen isotopes can be observed in C.Ch. grains

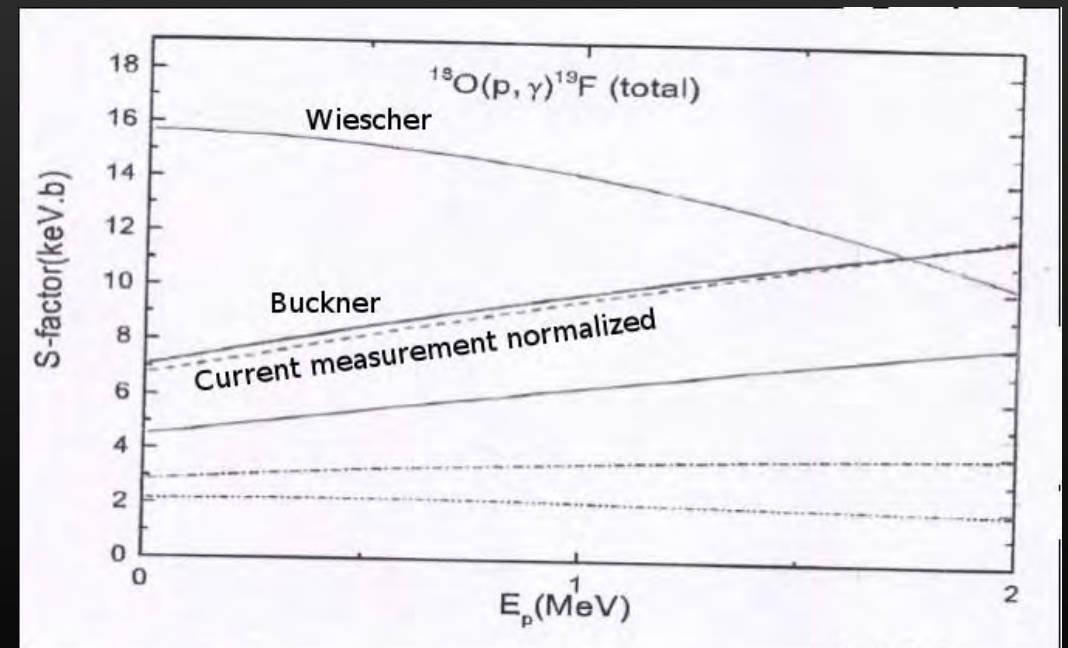
- depletion reaction of ^{18}O in AGB stars

12 levels analyzed



S-factor – earlier disagreement

Wiescher et al. \times Buckner et al. = preferred



courtesy of Vaclav Burjan

ANC for mirror nuclei

N.K.Timofeyuk et al., Phys.Rev.Lett 91, 232501 (2003)

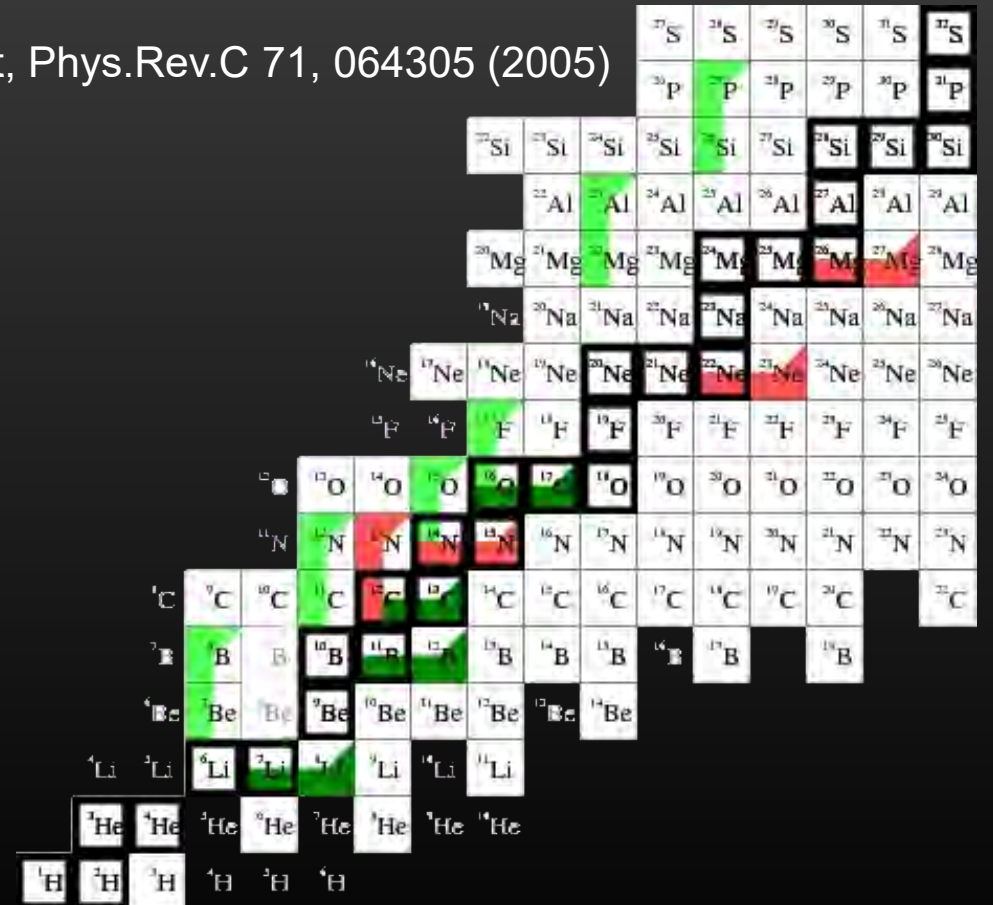
Timofeyuk, Descouvemont, Phys.Rev.C 71, 064305 (2005)

$$|C_p/C_n|^2 = \mathcal{R} \approx \mathcal{R}_0 = \left| \frac{F_l(i\kappa_p R_N)}{\kappa_p R_N j_l(i\kappa_n R_N)} \right|^2$$

On the sample of mirror cases it was shown, that with few % precision

- **microscopic cluster model calculations** should be used to deduce mirror ANC,
- or simultaneous use of the above analytical formulae and single-particle estimate.

Core polarization effects created 12%.

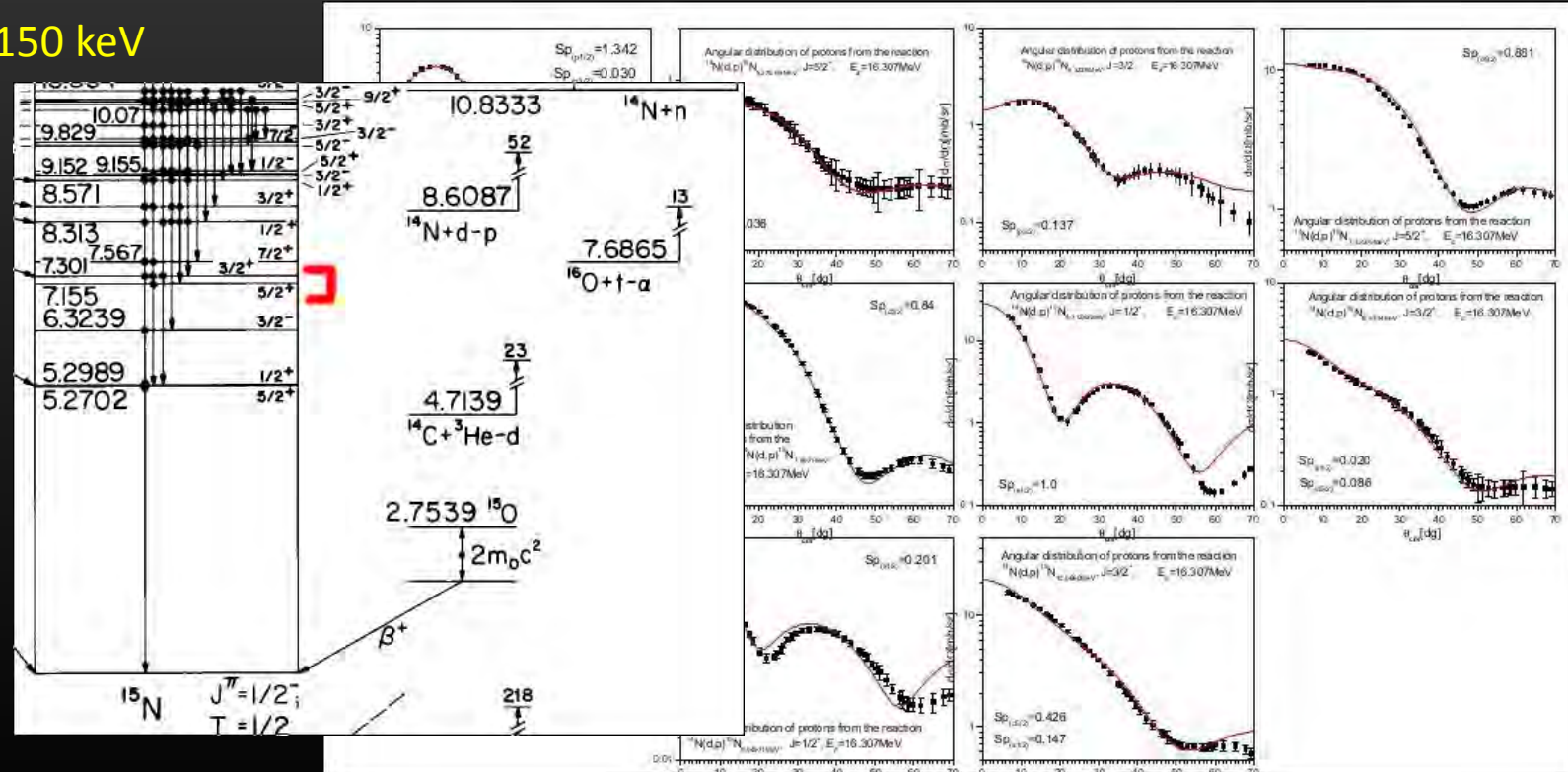
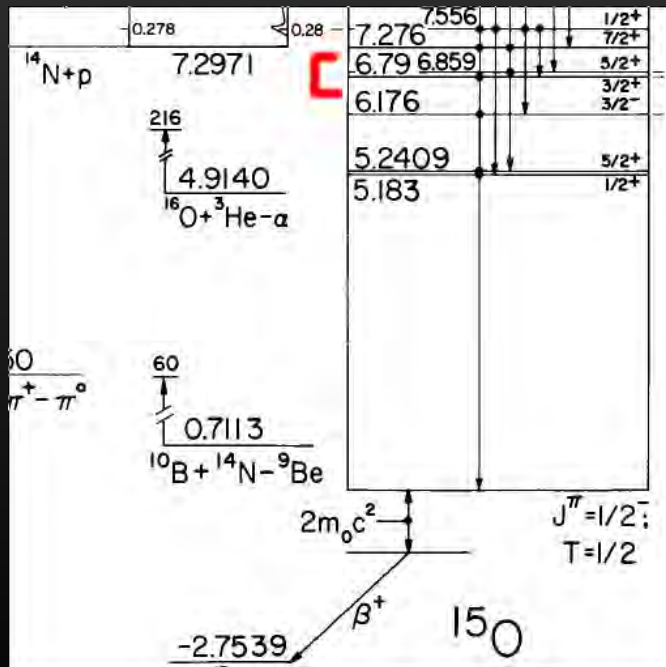


ANC – mirror nuclei

$^{14}\text{N}(n,g)^{15}\text{N}$ – Yi Xu – postdoc in NPI CAS (currently in ELI NP)

Mirror reaction to $^{14}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{15}\text{O}$ - which is mainly responsible for energy production in CNO cycle

separation of levels 80 keV / 150 keV



ANC – mirror nuclei

$^{26}\text{Si}(p,g)^{27}\text{P}$ – via mirror $^{26}\text{Mg}(d,p)$ - experiment June 2017
has an impact on amount of observable galactic ^{26}Al

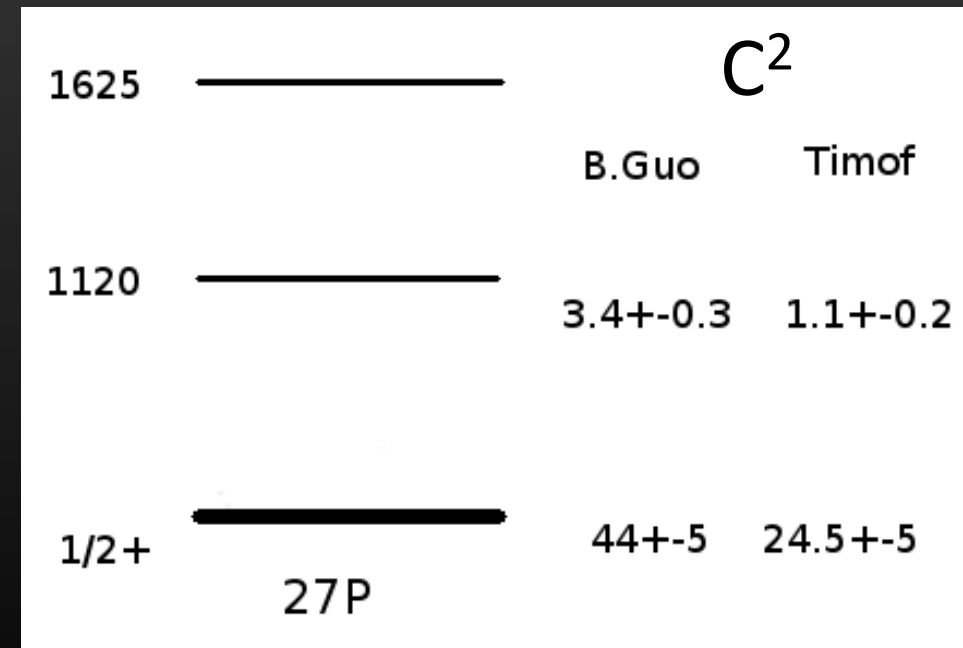
Timofeyuk, Johnson, Mukhamedzhanov – PRL 23 (2003)
- suggestion for study $^{26}\text{Si}(p,g)$, $^{22}\text{Ne}(p,g)$

Timofeyuk, Descouvemont – Phys.Rev.C71 (2005)
- systematic study of mirror pairs - ANCs

Two re-analysis

Guo et al. PRC73 (2006) (d,p) reaction 12MeV

Timofeyuk, Descouvemont, Thompson PRC78 (2008)
t,d reaction



ANC — new method to determine spectroscopic factors

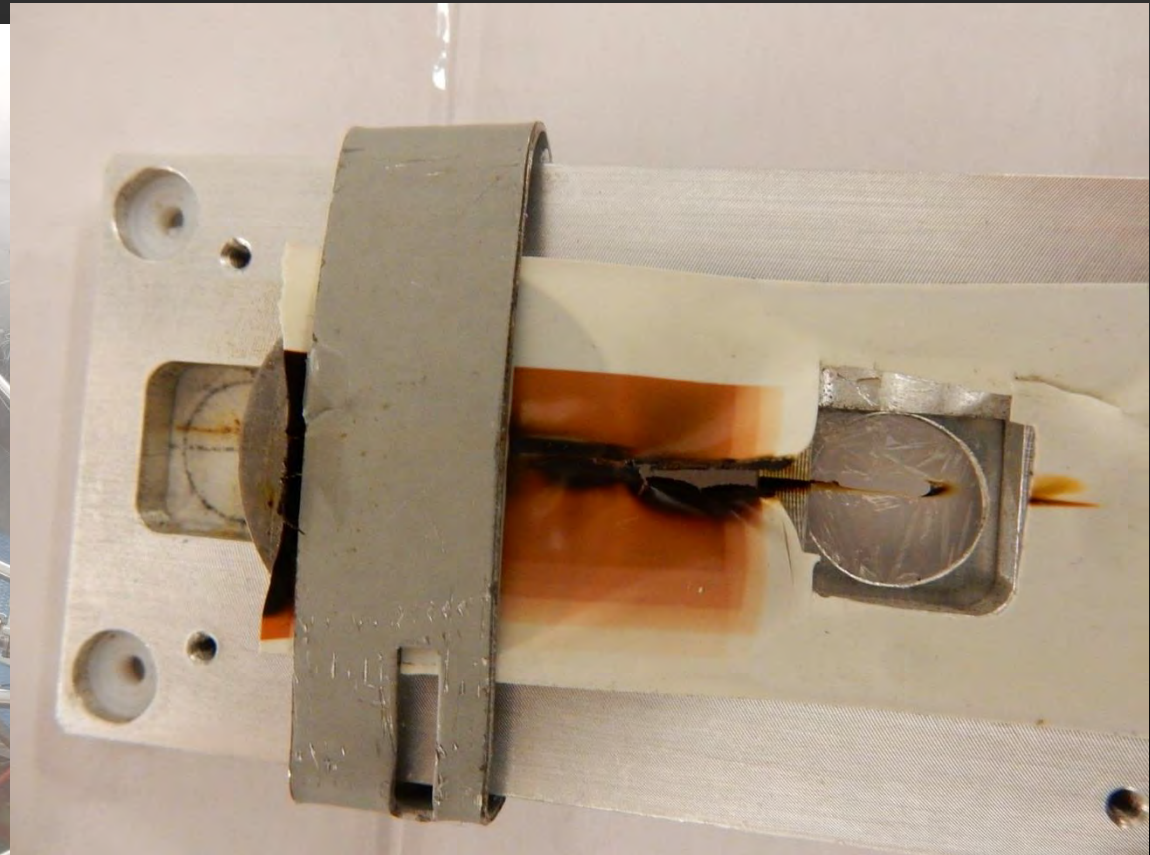
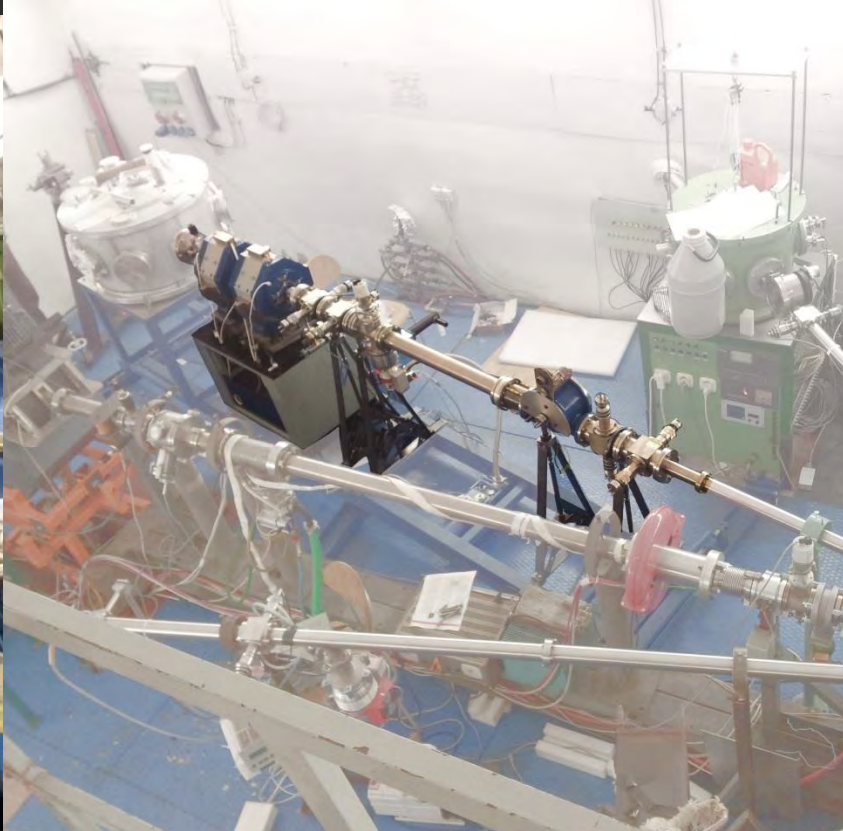
Matching ANCs at low and high energy - idea of A.Mukhamedzhanov
 $^{14}\text{C}+n$ pilot experiment $^{13}\text{C}(^{14}\text{C},^{15}\text{C})^{12}\text{C}$ and $^{14}\text{C}(d,p)$ in TAMU
McClesky et al., PRC89, 044605 (2014)

ANCs measured **at sub-Coulomb** energies can provide good asymptotic tails

At high energies —knowing the tails (SPANC) — ANC can be produced
----> **spectroscopic factors can be better constrained**

ANC — new method to determine spectroscopic factors

Low energy beamline - Van de Graaff - UTEF, Prague, $\sim 2\text{MV}$, $2\mu\text{A}$



SPIRAL2 – CZ project/ MEYS support 2016-2022

NPI CAS has long term collaboration with GANIL – SPIRAL2

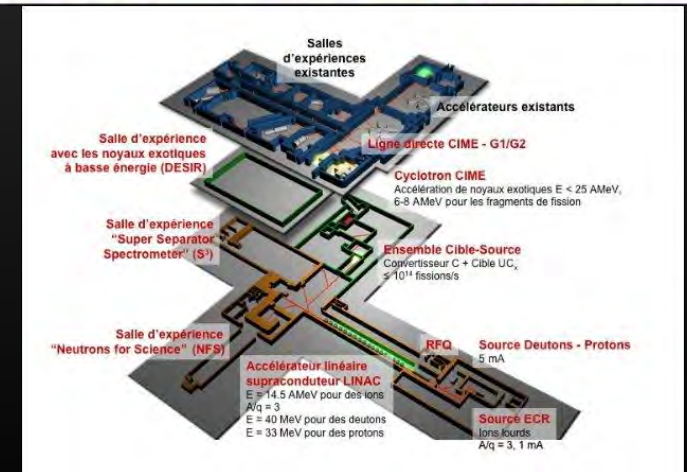
this collaboration was/is also supported by

LEA NuAG (2011-2014) prolonged for years 2015-2021

Associated EU Laboratory – Nuclear Astrophysics and Grids –

support for experiments in GANIL, Orsay, NPI Rez

– helped to promote SPIRAL2-CZ project



SPIRAL2 – CZ project/ MEYS support 2016-2022

Project SPIRAL2-CZ has passed into the
Czech Roadmap of large research infrastructures 2016 - 2022
Nuclear Astrophysics,
Nuclear data: activation by charged particles and neutrons,
radioisotopes for medicine

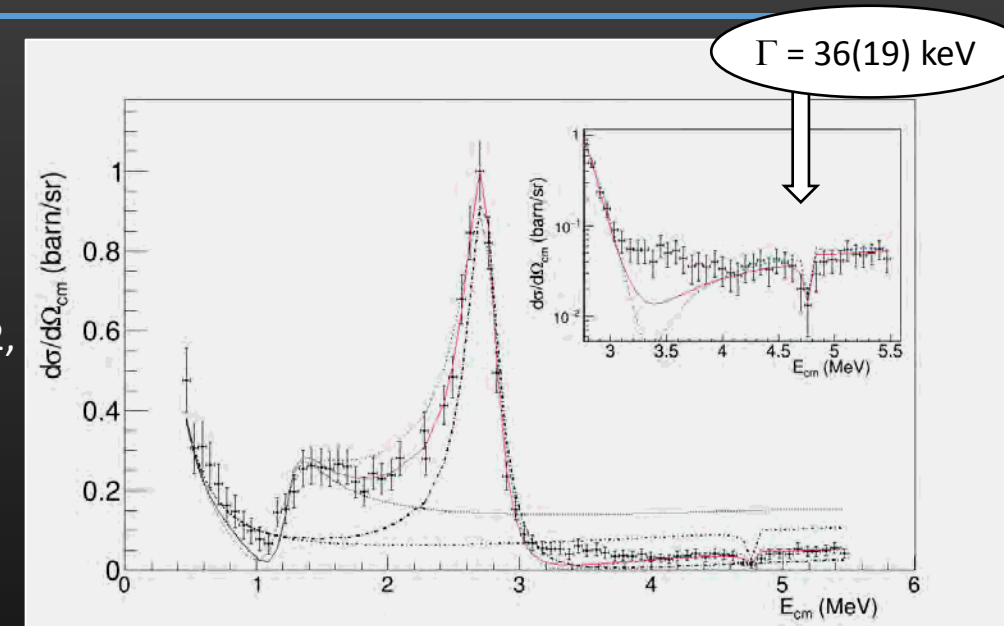
The **research infrastructure** project **SPIRAL2-CZ** was positively evaluated in 2015

- supporting EU program appeared – evaluated in 2016/2017
- Total planned budget ~300 kE / year
supporting people, administration, investments + travels
- ongoing new evaluation in 2017



SPIRAL2 – CZ / LEA NuAG

- **Astrophysical program with GANIL and IPN Orsay**
- $^{14}\text{O}(p,p')^{14}\text{O}$ in GANIL Phys.Lett.B, 758, 26-31. (2016)
predictions of 2nd 1/2- narrow state - Canton et al Phys. Rev. Lett, vol.96,072502,
observed in experiment in GANIL,
 ^2He decay, cluster near threshold – coupling to nearby cluster decay channel
follow up proposal in GANIL , **accepted by PAC** (I.Stefan)
- Lifetime measurement of 7.786 MeV state in ^{23}Mg (C.Michelagnoli)
 - destruction of ^{22}Na produced in noavae dominating $^{22}\text{Na}(p,\gamma)^{23}\text{Mg}$ – AGATA+VAMOS
- new experimental efforts at low energies – GANIL - SPIRAL2/NFS (B.Bastin)
 $^{28}\text{Si}(p,\gamma)^{29}\text{P}$ $^{29}\text{Si}(p,\gamma)^{30}\text{P}$ have uncertainties 21% and 30% **accepted by PAC**



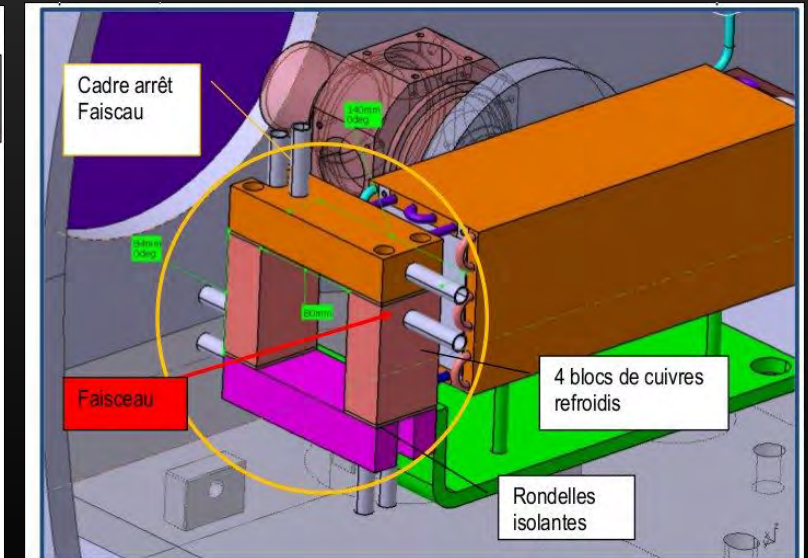
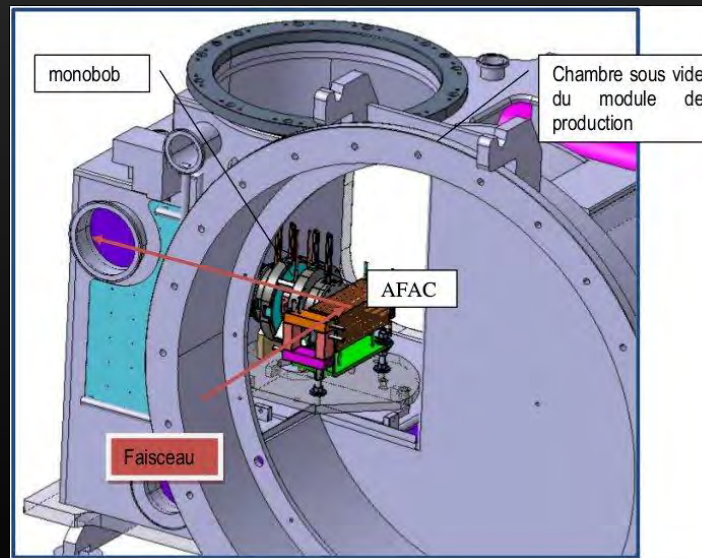
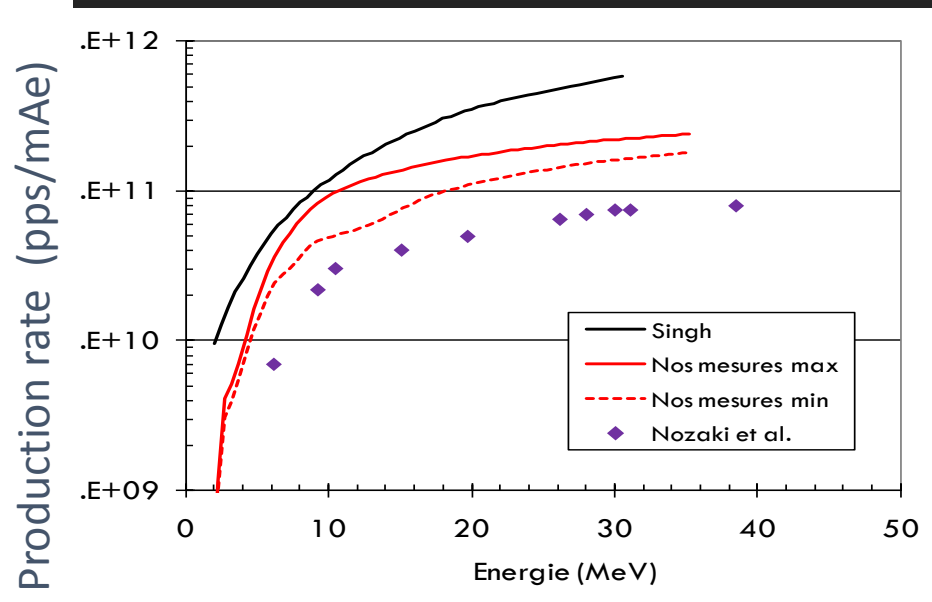
SPIRAL2-CZ - ROBOT target

Production target – Rez-Other Targets Other Beams

- investment in SPIRAL2-CZ

- ^{14}O production measurements $^3\text{He}+^{12}\text{C}$ to in NPI CAS in 2011 – $\sim 2 \times 10^{11}$ pps in SPIRAL2 at 35kW
- *demonstrator* development of the $^{14,15}\text{O}$ beam for SPIRAL/SPIRAL2 – (2019)

A. Pichard et al EPJ A 47 (2011) 1



Collaboration

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