# IUAC School on Nuclear Reactions: The CDCC and CRC methods

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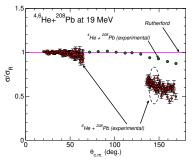
#### Course outline I

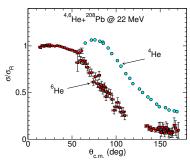
- The CDCC method
  - Reminder of the coupled-channels method
  - Single-particle and cluster excitations
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  - Extension to 3-body projectiles
  - Core excitations

#### Motivation of the CDCC method

How does the halo structure affect the elastic scattering?

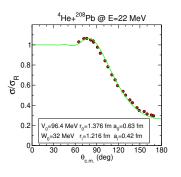


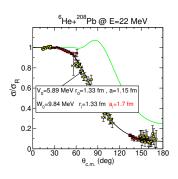


- ⇒ For E = 19 MeV (below the barrier,  $V_b \approx 21$  MeV) <sup>4</sup>He follows Rutherford formula.
- <sup>6</sup>He drastically departs from Rutherford formula at both energies!

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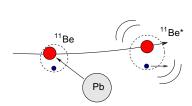
- ⇒ <sup>4</sup>He+<sup>208</sup>Pb shows typical Fresnel pattern and "standard" optical model parameters
- → <sup>6</sup>He+<sup>208</sup>Pb shows a prominent reduction in the elastic cross section, suggesting that part of the incident flux goes to nonelastic channels (e.g. breakup, transfer...)
- Understanding and disentangling these nonelastic channels requires going beyond the optical model (eg. coupled-channels method)

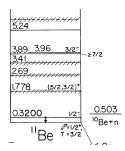
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Reminder of the coupled-channels method

#### Inelastic scattering

- ⇒ Nuclei are not inert or *frozen* objects; they do have an internal structure of protons and neutrons that can be modified (excited) during the collision.
- Quantum systems exhibit, in general, an energy spectrum with bound and unbound levels.



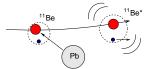


#### Models for inelastic excitations

COLLECTIVE: Involve a collective motion of several nucleons which can be interpreted macroscopically as rotations or surface vibrations of the nucleus.



● FEW-BODY/SINGLE-PARTICLE: Involve the excitation of a nucleon or cluster.



#### The coupled-channels method for inelastic scattering

We need to incorporate explicitly in the Hamiltonian the internal structure of the nucleus being excited (e.g. projectile).

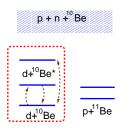
$$H = T_R + h(\xi) + V(\mathbf{R}, \xi)$$

- $\rightarrow$   $T_R$ : Kinetic energy for projectile-target relative motion.
- $\Rightarrow$  { $\xi$ }: Internal degrees of freedom of the projectile (depend on the model).
- $\vee$   $V(\mathbf{R}, \xi)$ : Projectile-target interaction.
- $\Rightarrow$   $h(\xi)$ : Internal Hamiltonian of the projectile.

$$h(\xi)\phi_n(\xi) = \varepsilon_n\phi_n(\xi)$$

 $\Rightarrow$   $\phi_n(\xi)$ : internal states of the projectile.

# Modelscape and scattering wavefunction: $d+^{10}Be \rightarrow d+^{10}Be^*$ example



The modelspace is composed by ground states (elastic channel) and some excited states (inelastic scattering)

Boundary conditions for scattering wavefunction:

$$\Psi_{\mathbf{K}_{0}}^{(+)}(\mathbf{R},\xi) \xrightarrow{R\gg} e^{i\mathbf{K}_{0}\cdot\mathbf{R}}\phi_{0}(\xi) + \underbrace{f_{0,0}(\theta)}_{\text{elastic}} \underbrace{\frac{e^{iK_{0}R}}{R}\phi_{0}(\xi)}_{\text{elastic}} + \underbrace{\sum_{n>0} f_{n,0}(\theta)}_{\text{inelastic}} \underbrace{\frac{e^{iK_{n}R}}{R}\phi_{n}(\xi)}_{\text{inelastic}}$$

Cross sections:

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma(\theta)}{d\Omega}\right)_{0\to n} = \frac{K_n}{K_0} |f_{n,0}(\theta)|^2$$
  $f_{n,0}(\theta) = \text{scattering amplitude}$ 

#### CC model wavefunction (target excitation)

We expand the total wave function in a subset of internal states representing the adopted modelspace:

$$\Psi_{\text{model}}(\mathbf{R}, \xi) = \phi_0(\xi)\chi_0(\mathbf{K}_0, \mathbf{R}) + \sum_{n>0} \phi_n(\xi)\chi_n(\mathbf{K}_n, \mathbf{R})$$

and impose the boundary conditions for the (unknown)  $\chi_n(\mathbf{R})$ :

$$\chi_0^{(+)}(\mathbf{K}_0, \mathbf{R}) \to e^{i\mathbf{K}_0 \cdot \mathbf{R}} + \frac{f_{0,0}(\theta)}{R} \frac{e^{iK_0 R}}{R} \qquad \text{for n=0 (elastic)}$$

$$\chi_n^{(+)}(\mathbf{K}_n, \mathbf{R}) \to \frac{f_{n,0}(\theta)}{R} \frac{e^{iK_n R}}{R} \qquad \text{for n>0 (non-elastic)}$$

# Calculation of $\chi_n^{(+)}(\mathbf{R})$ : the coupled equations

→ The model wavefunction must satisfy the Schrödinger equation:

$$[H - E]\Psi_{\text{model}}^{(+)}(\mathbf{R}, \xi) = 0$$

Multiply on the left by each  $\phi_n^*(\xi)$ , and integrate over  $\xi \Rightarrow$  coupled channels equations for  $\{\chi_n(\mathbf{R})\}$ :

$$[E - \varepsilon_n - T_R - V_{n,n}(\mathbf{R})] \chi_n(\mathbf{R}) = \sum_{n' \neq n} V_{n,n'}(\mathbf{R}) \chi_{n'}(\mathbf{R})$$

→ The structure information is embedded in the coupling potentials:

$$V_{n,n'}(\mathbf{R}) = \int d\xi \phi_{n'}^*(\xi) V(\mathbf{R}, \xi) \phi_n(\xi)$$

 $\phi_n(\xi)$  will depend on the assumed structure model (collective, few-body, etc).

## Optical Model vs. Coupled-Channels method

# Optical Model

The Hamiltonian:

$$H = T_R + V(\mathbf{R})$$

- $\Rightarrow$  Internal states: Just  $\phi_0(\xi)$
- Model wavefunction:  $\Psi_{\text{mod}}(\mathbf{R}, \xi) \equiv \chi_0(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{R}) \phi_0(\xi)$
- Schrödinger equation:

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# Coupled-channels method

- The Hamiltonian:
- $H = T_R + h(\xi) + V(\mathbf{R}, \xi)$
- Internal states:  $h(\xi)\phi_n(\xi) = \varepsilon_n\phi_n(\xi)$
- Model wavefunction:  $\Psi_{\text{model}}(\mathbf{R}, \xi) = \phi_0(\xi) \chi_0(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{R}) + \sum_{n>0} \phi_n(\xi) \chi_n(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{R})$
- Schrödinger equation:

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$$\downarrow \downarrow$$

$$[E - \varepsilon_n - T_R - V_{n,n}(\mathbf{R})]\chi_n(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{R}) = \sum_{n' \neq n} V_{n,n'}(\mathbf{R})\chi_{n'}(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{R})$$

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#### DWBA approximation as 1st order CC

 $\Rightarrow$  Two-states model n = 0, 1:

$$\Psi(\mathbf{R}, \xi) = \underbrace{\phi_0(\xi)\chi_0(\mathbf{R})}_{\text{elastic}} + \underbrace{\phi_1(\xi)\chi_1(\mathbf{R})}_{\text{inelastic}}$$

Coupled-channels equations:

$$[E - \varepsilon_0 - T_0 - V_{00}(\mathbf{R})] \chi_0(\mathbf{R}) = V_{01}(\mathbf{R}) \chi_1(\mathbf{R})$$
  

$$[E - \varepsilon_1 - T_1 - V_{11}(\mathbf{R})] \chi_1(\mathbf{R}) = V_{10}(\mathbf{R}) \chi_0(\mathbf{R})$$

⇒ Iterative solution of the CC equations (DWBA):

$$[E - \varepsilon_0 - T_0 - V_{00}(\mathbf{R})] \chi_0(\mathbf{R}) \approx 0$$
  

$$[E - \varepsilon_1 - T_1 - V_{11}(\mathbf{R})] \chi_1(\mathbf{R}) \approx V_{10}(\mathbf{R}) \chi_0(\mathbf{R})$$

#### DWBA approximation as 1st order CC

→ Asymptotically:

$$\chi_1^{(+)}(\mathbf{R}) \to f_{10}(\theta) \frac{e^{iK_1R}}{R}$$

with (not proven here!)

$$f_{10}(\theta) = -\frac{2\mu}{4\pi\hbar^2} \int d\mathbf{R} \widetilde{\chi}_1^{(-)*}(\mathbf{K}_1, \mathbf{R}) V_{10}(\mathbf{R}) \widetilde{\chi}_0^{(+)}(\mathbf{K}_0, \mathbf{R})$$

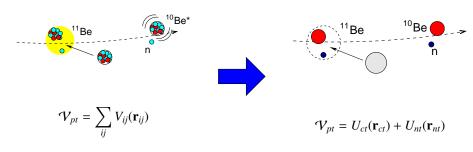
where  $\widetilde{\chi}_0(\mathbf{K}_0, \mathbf{R})$ ,  $\widetilde{\chi}_1(\mathbf{K}_1, \mathbf{R})$  are solutions of:

$$[E - \varepsilon_0 - T_0 - V_{00}(\mathbf{R})] \widetilde{\chi}_0(\mathbf{K}_0, \mathbf{R}) = 0$$
  
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The DWBA approximation amounts at solving the CC equations to 1st order (Born approximation)

Single-particle and cluster excitations

#### Many-body to few-body reduction



⇒ Effective three-body Hamiltonian:

$$H = T_{\mathbf{R}} + h_r(\mathbf{r}) + U_{ct}(\mathbf{r}_{ct}) + U_{nt}(\mathbf{r}_{nt})$$

 $\Rightarrow$   $U_{ct}(\mathbf{r}_{ct})$ ,  $U_{nt}(\mathbf{r}_{nt})$  are optical potentials describing fragment-target elastic scattering (eg. target excitation is treated effectively, through absorption)

#### Inelastic scattering in a few-body model

- ⇒ Some nuclei allow a description in terms of two or more clusters: d=p+n,  $^6Li=\alpha+d$ ,  $^7Li=\alpha+^3H$ .
- Projectile-target interaction:

$$V(\mathbf{R}, \xi) \equiv V(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{r}) = U_1(\mathbf{r}_1) + U_2(\mathbf{r}_2)$$

→ Transition potentials:

$$V_{n,n'}(\mathbf{R}) = \int d\mathbf{r} \phi_n^*(\mathbf{r}) \left[ U_1(\mathbf{r}_1) + U_2(\mathbf{r}_2) \right] \phi_{n'}(\mathbf{r})$$

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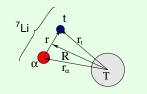
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Example:  $^{7}\text{Li}=\alpha+\text{t}$ 

$$\mathbf{r}_{\alpha} = \mathbf{R} - \frac{m_t}{m_{\alpha} + m_t} \mathbf{r}; \quad \mathbf{r}_t = \mathbf{R} + \frac{m_{\alpha}}{m_{\alpha} + m_t} \mathbf{r}$$

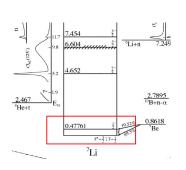
Internal states: (two-body cluster model)

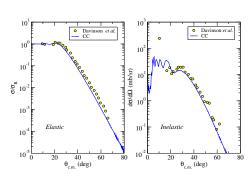
$$[T_{\mathbf{r}} + V_{\alpha - t}(\mathbf{r}) - \varepsilon_n]\phi_n(\mathbf{r}) = 0$$



# Example: $^{7}\text{Li}(\alpha+t) + ^{208}\text{Pb}$ at 68 MeV

#### $\Rightarrow$ CC calculation with 2 channels $(3/2^-, 1/2^-)$ :





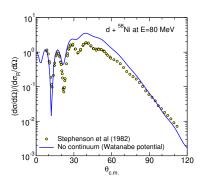
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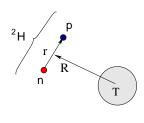
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#### Application of the CC method to weakly-bound systems

#### **Example:** Three-body calculation (p+n+58Ni) with Watanabe potential:

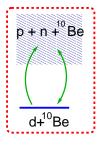
$$V_{dt}(\mathbf{R}) = \int d\mathbf{r} \phi_{gs}^*(\mathbf{r}) \left\{ V_{pt}(\mathbf{r}_{pt}) + V_{nt}(\mathbf{r}_{nt}) \right\} \phi_{gs}(\mathbf{r})$$





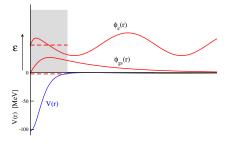
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#### Extension of the CC to unbound states



\*\*We want to include explicitly in the modelspace the breakup channels of the projectile or target.

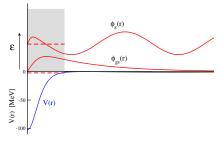
## Bound versus scattering states



#### Continuum wavefunctions:

$$\varphi_{k,\ell jm}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{u_{k,\ell j}(r)}{r} [Y_{\ell}(\hat{r}) \otimes \chi_s]_{jm}$$
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#### Unbound states are not suitable for CC calculations:

- → They have a continuous (infinite) distribution in energy.
- ⇒ Non-normalizable:  $\langle u_{k,\ell sj}(r)|u_{k',\ell sj}(r)\rangle \propto \delta(k-k')$

SOLUTION ⇒ continuum discretization

#### The origins of CDCC

Continuum discretization method proposed by G.H. Rawitscher [PRC9, 2210 (1974)] and Farrell, Vincent and Austern [Ann.Phys.(New York) 96, 333 (1976)] to describe deuteron scattering as an effective three-body problem p + n + A.

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#### Effect of deuteron breakup on elastic deuteron-nucleus scattering

#### George H. Rawitscher\*

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The properties of the transition matrix elements  $V_{ab}(R)$  of the breakup potential  $V_{ab}$  taken between states  $\phi_a(\vec{r})$  and  $\phi_b(r)$  are examined. Here  $\phi_a(\vec{r})$  are eigenstates of the neutron-proton relative-motion Hamiltonian, and the eigenvalues of the energy  $\epsilon_a$  are positive (continuum states) or negative (bound deuteron); VMr, R) is the sum of the phenomenological proton nucleus  $V_{b-A}(|\vec{R}-\frac{1}{2}\vec{r}|)$  and neutron nucleus  $V_{b-A}(|\vec{R}+\frac{1}{2}\vec{r}|)$  optical potentials evaluated for nucleon energies equal to half the incident deuteron energy. The bound-to-continuum transition matrix element for relative neutron-proton angular momenta l=2 are found to be comparable in magnitude to the ones for l=0 for values of  $\epsilon_a$  larger than about 3 MeV, and both decrease only slowly with e. suggesting that a large breakup spectrum is involved in deuteron-nucleus collisions. The effect of the various breakup transitions on the elastic phase shifts is estimated by numerically solving a set of coupled equations. These equations couple the functions  $\chi_a(\vec{R})$  which are the coefficients of the expansion of the neutron-proton-nucleus wave function in a set of the  $\phi_a(\mathbf{r})$ 's. The equations are rendered manageable by performing a (rather crude) discretization in the neutron-proton relative-momentum variable ka. Numer-

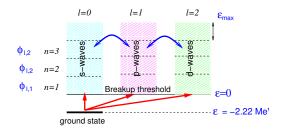


George Rawitscher (1928-2018)

Full numerical implementation by Kyushu group (Sakuragi, Yahiro, Kamimura, and co.): Prog. Theor. Phys.(Kyoto) 68, 322 (1982)

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#### Continuum discretization for deuteron scattering



- $\Rightarrow$  Select a number of angular momenta ( $\ell = 0, \dots, \ell_{max}$ ).
- $\Rightarrow$  For each  $\ell$ , set a maximum excitation energy  $\varepsilon_{\text{max}}$ .
- $\Rightarrow$  Divide the interval  $\varepsilon = 0 \varepsilon_{\text{max}}$  in a set of sub-intervals (*bins*).
- For each bin, calculate a representative wavefunction.

#### CDCC formalism: construction of the bin wavefunctions

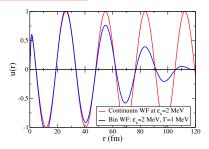
#### Bin wavefunction:

The CDCC method

$$\phi_{\ell jm}^{[k_1,k_2]}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{u_{\ell j}^{[k_1,k_2]}(r)}{r} [Y_{\ell}(\hat{r}) \otimes \chi_s]_{jm} \qquad [k_1,k_2] = \text{bin interval}$$

$$u_{\ell sjm}^{[k_1,k_2]}(r) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi N}} \int_{k_1}^{k_2} w(k) u_{k,\ell sj}(r) dk$$

- ⇒ k: linear momentum
- $\Rightarrow u_{k,\ell sj}(r)$ : scattering states (radial part)
- $\Rightarrow$  w(k): weight function



#### CDCC formalism for deuteron scattering

- $\Rightarrow$  Hamiltonian:  $H = T_{\mathbf{R}} + h_r(\mathbf{r}) + V_{pt}(\mathbf{r}_{pt}) + V_{nt}(\mathbf{r}_{nt})$
- Model wavefunction:

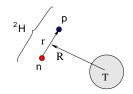
$$\Psi^{(+)}(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{r}) = \phi_{gs}(\mathbf{r})\chi_0(\mathbf{R}) + \sum_{n>0}^{N} \phi_n(\mathbf{r})\chi_n(\mathbf{R})$$

○ Coupled equations:  $[H - E]\Psi(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{r}) = 0$ 

$$\left[E - \varepsilon_n - T_R - V_{n,n}(\mathbf{R})\right] \chi_n(\mathbf{R}) = \sum_{n' \neq n} V_{n,n'}(\mathbf{R}) \chi_{n'}(\mathbf{R})$$

Transition potentials:

$$V_{n,n'}(\mathbf{R}) = \int d\mathbf{r} \phi_n^*(\mathbf{r}) \left[ V_{pt}(\mathbf{R} + \frac{\mathbf{r}}{2}) + V_{nt}(\mathbf{R} - \frac{\mathbf{r}}{2}) \right] \phi_{n'}(\mathbf{r})$$



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#### Partial-wave decomposition of CDCC wavefunction

→ In practical calculations, the CDCC wf is expanded in the so-called channel basis  $\langle \hat{R}, \mathbf{r}, | \beta; J_T \rangle = \left[ Y_L(\hat{R}) \otimes \phi_{n, J_p}(\mathbf{r}) \right]_{L}$ 

$$\boxed{ \Psi_{\beta_0,J_T,M_T}(\vec{R},\vec{r},\xi) = \sum_{\beta} \frac{\chi_{\beta,\beta_0}^{J_T}(R)}{R} |\beta;J_T\rangle \quad \beta \equiv \{L,J_p,n\} }$$

The radial coefficients verify

$$\left[ \left( -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{d^2}{dR^2} + \frac{\hbar^2 L(L+1)}{2\mu R^2} + \varepsilon_n - E \right) \chi_{\beta,\beta_0}^{J_T}(R) + \sum_{\beta} V_{\beta,\beta'}^{J_T}(R) \chi_{\beta'}^{J_T}(R) = 0 \right]$$

with the coupling potentials:

$$V_{\beta,\beta'}^{J_T}(R) = \langle \beta; J_T | V_1(\vec{R}, \vec{r}) + V_2(\vec{R}, \vec{r}) | \beta'; J_T \rangle$$

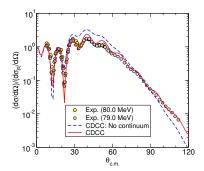
Boundary conditions:

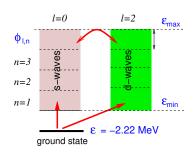
$$\chi_{\beta,\beta_0}^{J_T}(R) \to e^{i\sigma_L} \frac{i}{2} \left[ H_L^{(-)}(K_\beta R) \delta_{\beta_0,\beta} - S_{\beta,\beta_0}^{J_T} H_L^{(+)}(K_\beta R) \right]$$

#### Applications of the CDCC formalism: d+ <sup>58</sup>Ni

## Coupling to continuum states produce:

- Polarization of the projectile (modification of real part)
- ⇒ Flux removal (absorption) from the elastic channel (imaginary part)





#### Two- and three-body breakup observables

CDCC scattering amplitudes readily provide **two-body breakup** observables:

$$\frac{d\sigma_n}{d\Omega_{\text{c.m.}}} = |f_{0,n}(\theta)|^2 \Rightarrow \frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega_{\text{c.m.}} d\epsilon_{pn}} \simeq \frac{1}{\Delta_n} \frac{d\sigma_n}{d\Omega_{\text{c.m.}}}$$

with:

- $\Delta_n$ =width of the bin containing the relative energy  $\epsilon_{pn}$
- $\Omega_{\rm c.m}$  =C.M. scattering angle of the projectile c.m. (not easy to measure!)
- → Three-body observables can be also calculated using a suitable combination of the scattering amplitudes and appropriate kinematical transformations (Tostevin, PRC63, 024617 (2001)):

$$\frac{d^3\sigma}{d\Omega_n d\Omega_p dE_p}$$

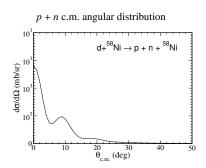
**N.b.:** These 3-body observables are not directly provided by FRESCO. They must be computed separately from the calculated amplitudes.

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# Two-body breakup observables: $d+ {}^{58}Ni \rightarrow p+n+{}^{58}Ni$

## CDCC calculations for **d+** <sup>58</sup>**Ni** at 80 MeV :

- ightharpoonup Continuum states with  $\ell = 0, 2$ .
- Proton and neutron intrinsic spins ignored.
- → p/n+ <sup>58</sup>Ni from global optical potential.
- ⇒ p+n simple Gaussian interaction describing deuteron g.s.



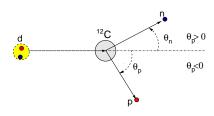
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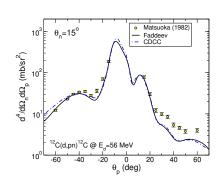
# Breakup observables with CDCC: exclusive breakup of $d+ {}^{12}C \rightarrow p+n+{}^{12}C$

## CDCC calculations for **d+** <sup>12</sup>**C** at 56 MeV:

- Continuum states with  $\ell \le 8$  and  $\varepsilon_{\text{max}} = 46$  MeV.
- Proton and neutron intrinsic spins ignored
- ⇒ p/n+ <sup>58</sup>Ni from Watson global optical potential
- ⇒ p+n simple Gaussian interaction describing deuteron g.s.

Data: Matsuoka et al., NPA391, 357 (1986).



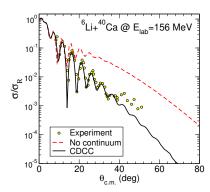


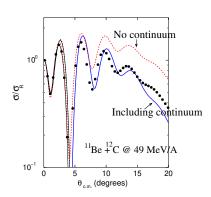
A.Deltuva, A.M.M., E.Cravo, F.M.Nunes, A.C.Fonseca, PRC 76, 064602 (2007)

The CDCC has been also applied to nuclei with a cluster structure:

$$\Rightarrow$$
 <sup>6</sup>Li= $\alpha$  + d  $(S_{\alpha,d}=1.47 \text{ MeV})$ 

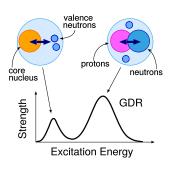
$$^{3}$$
  $^{11}$ Be= $^{10}$ Be + n ( $S_n$ =0.504 MeV)

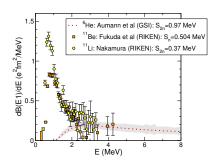




Exploring the continuum with breakup reactions

#### Electric response of weakly-bound nuclei





⇒ The  $E\lambda$  response can be quantified through the  $B(E\lambda)$  probability:

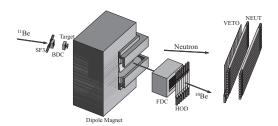
$$B(E\lambda; i \to f) = \frac{1}{2I_i + 1} |\langle \Psi_f || \mathcal{M}(E\lambda) || \Psi_i \rangle|^2$$

 $\Rightarrow$  Neutron-halo nuclei have large B(E1) strengths near threshold

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## How to probe/extract the B(E1) of halo nuclei?

**Example:**  ${}^{11}\text{Be} + {}^{208}\text{Pb} \rightarrow {}^{10}\text{Be} + \text{n} + {}^{208}\text{Pb}$  measured at RIKEN (69 MeV/u). Fukuda et al, PRC70, 054606 (2004))



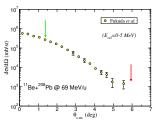
<sup>11</sup>Be excitation energy can be reconstructed from core-neutron coincidences (*invariant mass method*)

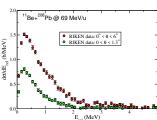
# What observables are measured in Coulomb dissociation experiments?

⇒ In a fully exclusive experiment, one can in principle measure the angular and relative energy distribution of the <sup>11</sup>Be\* system:

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega\,dE_{\rm rel}}$$

Integrating over the angle or energy, single differential cross sections are obtained:





⇒ In the Coulomb dominated region (i.e. small angles), the breakup cross section is expected to be dominated by the  $dB(E\lambda)/dE$  distribution, but we need a theory that relates both observables.

### Semiclassical 1st order Eλ excitation (Alder & Winther) (akin EPM method)

⇒ For E $\lambda$  excitation to bound states  $(0 \rightarrow n)$ :

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{0\to n} = \left(\frac{Z_t e^2}{\hbar v}\right)^2 \frac{B(E\lambda, 0 \to n)}{e^2 a_0^{2\lambda - 2}} f_{\lambda}(\theta, \xi) \qquad \xi_{0\to n} = \frac{(E_n - E_0)}{\hbar} \frac{a_0}{v}$$

For continuum states (breakup):

$$\frac{d\sigma(E\lambda)}{d\Omega dE} = \left(\frac{Z_t e^2}{\hbar v}\right)^2 \frac{1}{e^2 a_0^{2\lambda - 2}} \frac{dB(E\lambda)}{dE} \frac{df_{\lambda}(\theta, \xi)}{d\Omega}$$

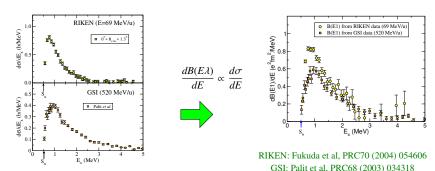
 $dB(E\lambda)/dE$  can be extracted from small-angle Coulomb dissociation data.

$$\boxed{\frac{d\sigma}{dE}(\theta < \theta_{\text{max}}) = \int_{0}^{\theta_{\text{max}}} \frac{d\sigma(E\lambda)}{d\Omega dE} d\Omega \propto \frac{dB(E\lambda)}{dE}}$$

# Extracting B(E1) of <sup>11</sup>Be from <sup>11</sup>Be+<sup>208</sup>Pb Coulomb dissociation

### Common assumptions:

- Breakup dominated by Coulomb excitation
- Nuclear excitation, if present, can be estimated and added incoherently
- If the assumptions above are fulfilled, the extracted  $dB(E\lambda)dE$  should be independent of the incident energy and target employed, since it reflects a structure property of the projectile.

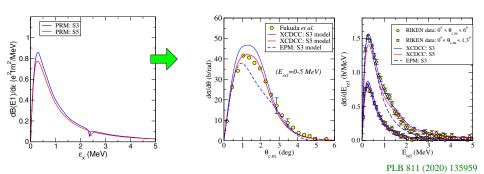


 $\mathbb{R}$  The extracted  $dB(E\lambda)/dE$  distributions are reasonably compatible, but with apparent differences at the peak

# CDCC analysis of Coulomb dissociation data

- $\Rightarrow$  Nuclear excitation not negligible, even for small  $\theta$
- Nuclear contribution interferes with Coulomb
- Higher-order couplings can affect the cross sections
- These ingredients can be naturally incorporated within the CDCC method (at the expense of more complexity!)

**E.g.:** CDCC analysis based on two-body <sup>10</sup>Be+n model:



 $\blacksquare$  Different structure models yield different B(E1) strengths and hence different breakup cross sections

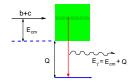
Comparison with the angular distribution evidences the deficiencies of the semiclassical EPM model

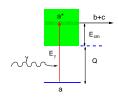
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# Application to radiative capture reactions

Radiative capture:  $b + c \rightarrow a + \gamma$ 

Photodissociation:  $a + \gamma \rightarrow b + c$ 





⇒ Related by detailed balance:

$$\sigma_{E\lambda}^{(rc)} = \frac{2(2J_a + 1)}{(2J_b + 1)(2J_c + 1)} \frac{k_{\gamma}^2}{k^2} \sigma_{E\lambda}^{(phot)}$$
  $(\hbar k_{\gamma} = E_{\gamma}/c)$ 

⇒ Astrophysical S-factor:

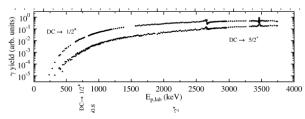
$$S(E_{\text{c.m.}}) = E_{\text{c.m.}} \sigma_{E\lambda}^{(rc)} \exp[2\pi\eta(E_{\text{c.m.}})]$$

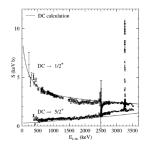
⇒ Capture cross sections are difficult to measure because they are very small at relevant astrophysical energies.

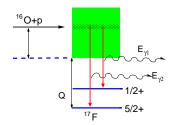
# Direct determination of radiative capture cross sections

# **Example:** $p+^{16}O \rightarrow ^{17}F + \gamma$

Morlock, PRL79, 3837 (1997)







### Indirect determination of radiative capture from Coulomb breakup

 $\Rightarrow$  The photodissociation  $(\gamma + a \rightarrow b + c)$  cross section is related to the  $B(E\lambda)$ 

$$\sigma_{E\lambda}^{\text{photo}} = \frac{(2\pi)^3 (\lambda + 1)}{\lambda [(2\lambda + 1)!!]^2} \left(\frac{E_{\gamma}}{\hbar c}\right)^{2\lambda - 1} \frac{dB(E\lambda)}{dE}$$

⇒ Then, in 1st order semiclassical limit, the Coulomb breakup x-section is proportional to photodissociation x-section:

$$\frac{d\sigma(E\lambda)}{d\Omega dE_{\gamma}} = \frac{1}{E_{\gamma}} \frac{dn_{E\lambda}}{d\Omega} \sigma_{E\lambda}^{\text{photo}}$$
 (Equivalent Photon Method)

with the virtual photon number

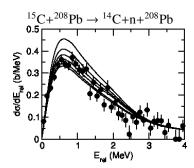
$$\frac{dn_{E\lambda}}{d\Omega} = Z_t^2 \alpha \frac{\lambda [(2\lambda + 1)!!]^2}{(2\pi)^3 (\lambda + 1)} \xi^{2(1-\lambda)} \left(\frac{c}{\nu}\right)^{2\lambda} \frac{df_{E\lambda}}{d\Omega}$$

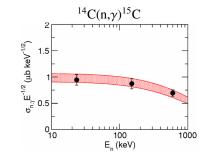
# Radiative capture from Coulomb dissociation experiments

- Capture reactions have typically small cross sections
- As an alternative, one can indirectly obtain the capture cross sections from Coulomb dissociation experiments involving the same two-body projectiel:

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$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega dE_{c.m.}} \to \sigma_{E\lambda}^{(\text{phot})} \to \sigma_{E\lambda}^{(rc)} \to S(E_{\text{c.m.}})$$

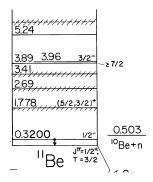




(dots: direct; shaded region: from Coulomb breakup) Summers and Nunes, PRC 78, 011601(R), 2008

## Exploring structures in the continuum

The continuum spectrum is not "homogeneous"; it contains in general energy regions with special structures, such as resonances and virtual states

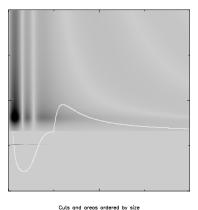


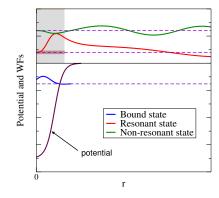
### What is a resonance?

- → It is a pole of the S-matrix in the complex energy plane.
- → It is a structure on the continuum which may, or may not, produce a maximum in the cross section, depending on the reaction mechanism and the phase space available.
- ⇒ The resonance occurs in the range of energies for which the phase shift is close to  $\pi/2$ .
- ⇒ In this range of energies, the continuum wavefunctions is largely localized within the radial range of the potential.
- ⇒ The continuum wavefunctions are not square normalizable. For practical reasons, a normalized wave-packet (or "bin") can be constructed to represent the resonance.

### Distinctive features of a resonance

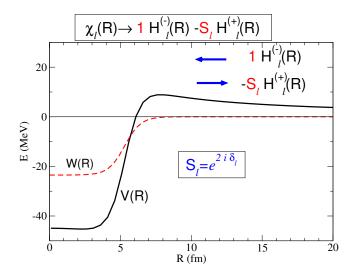
In the energy range of the resonance, the continuum wavefunctions have a large probability of being within the range of the potential.



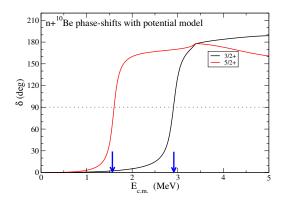


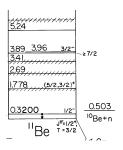
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### Resonances and phase-shifts

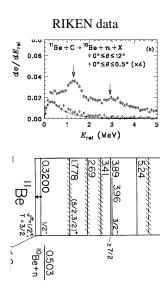


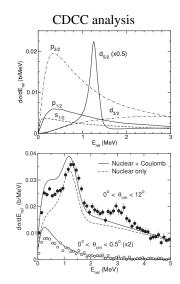
# Resonances and phase-shifts





# Resonances in nuclear breakup experiments





Fukuda et al, PRC70 (2004) 054606)

Howell et al., JPG31 (2005) S1881

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### Suggested exercise

Consider a simple two-body model for a one-neutron halo nucleus. For E1 transitions, the electric transition probability is given by

$$\frac{dB(E1)}{dE_c} = \left(\frac{4\pi}{k}\right)^2 \frac{\mu k}{(2\pi)^3 \hbar^2} \frac{3}{4\pi} \left(\frac{Ze}{A}\right)^2 \left| \langle \ell_i 0 1 0 | \ell_f 0 \rangle \int dr \, r^2 \phi_f(k, r) \phi_i(r) \right|^2$$

where  $\mu$  is the reduced mass o the two-body system,  $\phi_i(r)$  is the radial part of the ground-state wavefunction and  $\phi_f(k,r)$  is the radial part of the positive-energy state with energy  $E_c = \hbar^2 k^2/2\mu$  and asymptotic behaviour  $\phi_f(k,r) \xrightarrow{r\gg} (kr)j_\ell(kr)$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  Show that, in the special case in which the final states are approximated by plane-waves, the B(E1) distribution is related to the Fourier transform of the ground state wavefunction. Give arguments to justify that, in the case of weakly bound systems, the B(E1) distribution is concentrated at low excitation energies.

### Exercises

⇒ In the situation above, the ground state wavefunction can be approximated by its asymptotic form which, for a *s*-wave configuration, can be written as

$$\phi_i(r) \simeq \sqrt{2k_0}e^{-k_0r}/r.$$

Give the expression for  $k_0$  in terms of the neutron separation energy  $(S_n)$  and the reduced mass of the neutron-core system. Compute it numerically for the <sup>11</sup>Be (<sup>10</sup>Be+n) case.

 $\Rightarrow$  Show that, under these approximations, the B(E1) distribution is given by

$$\frac{dB(E1)}{dE_c} = \frac{3\hbar^2}{\pi^2 \mu} \left(\frac{Ze}{A}\right)^2 \frac{\sqrt{S_n} E_c^{3/2}}{(E_c + S_n)^4}.$$

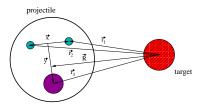
**Hint:** 
$$\int_0^\infty dr \, r^2 j_1(br) e^{-ar} = 2b/(a^2 + b^2)^2$$

⇒ Show that the maximum of this B(E1) distribution is located at  $E_c = \frac{3}{5}S_n$ .

Advanced CDCC applications

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## Extension to 3-body projectiles



To extend the CDCC formalism, one needs to evaluate the new coupling potentials:

$$V_{n,n'}(\mathbf{R}) = \int d\mathbf{r} \,\phi_n^*(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \left\{ V_{nt}(\mathbf{r}_1) + V_{nt}(\mathbf{r}_2) + V_{\alpha t}(\mathbf{r}_3) \right\} \phi_{n'}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$$

 $\phi_n(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  three-body WFs for bound and continuum states: hyperspherical coordinates, Faddeev, etc (difficult to calculate!)

$$\Psi^{j\mu}(\rho,\Omega) = \rho^{-5/2} \sum_{\beta} \chi^{j}_{\beta}(\rho) \mathcal{Y}^{j\mu}_{\beta}(\Omega) \qquad \qquad \beta \equiv \{K, l_x, l_y, l, S_x, J; I\}$$

Hyperspherical Harmonics (HH) expansion

 $\ \, \hbox{hypermomentum}\,\, K$ 

$$\mathcal{Y}_{\beta}^{j\mu}(\Omega) = \left[ \left( \Upsilon_{Klm_l}^{l_x l_y}(\Omega) \otimes \kappa_{S_x} \right)_J \otimes \phi_I \right]_{j\mu}$$

$$\Upsilon_{Klm_{l}}^{l_{x}l_{y}}(\Omega) = \varphi_{K}^{l_{x}l_{y}}(\alpha) \left[ Y_{l_{x}}(\widehat{x}) \otimes Y_{l_{y}}(\widehat{y}) \right]_{lm_{l}}$$

$$\varphi_K^{l_x l_y}(\alpha) = N_K^{l_x l_y} \left( \sin \alpha \right)^{l_x} \left( \cos \alpha \right)^{l_y} P_n^{l_x + \frac{1}{2}, l_y + \frac{1}{2}} \left( \cos 2\alpha \right)$$







Jacobi coordinates  $\{x, y, \widehat{x}, \widehat{y}\}$ 

Hyperspherical coordinates

$$\{\rho, \alpha, \widehat{x}, \widehat{y}\}$$

$$\rho = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$\alpha = \arctan$$

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hypermomentum  $\widehat{K}$ 

Hyperradial functions are the solution of the coupled equations:

$$\left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left( \frac{d^2}{d\rho^2} - \frac{15/4 + K(K+4)}{\rho^2} \right) - \varepsilon \right] \chi_{\beta}^{j}(\rho) + \sum_{\beta'} V_{\beta'\beta}^{j\mu}(\rho) \chi_{\beta'}^{j}(\rho) = 0$$

with coupling potentials  $V^{j\mu}_{\beta'\beta}(\rho)$ . Model space defined by **a given**  $K_{max}$ 

$$V_{\beta'\beta}^{j\mu}(\rho) = \left\langle \mathcal{Y}_{\beta}^{j\mu}(\Omega) \middle| V_{12} + V_{13} + V_{23} \middle| \mathcal{Y}_{\beta'}^{j\mu}(\Omega) \right\rangle \\ + \delta_{\beta\beta'} V_{3\mathrm{b}}(\rho)$$

- $ightharpoonup V_{ij}$  interaction between pairs central, spin-orbit, spin-spin, tensor. To reproduce binary subsystem
- V<sub>3b</sub> phenomenological three-body force diagonal term. Fixed to fine-tune the three-body energies

### Pseudo-State (PS) method

$$\chi^j_eta(
ho) = \sum_{i=0}^N C^j_{ieta} U_{ieta}(
ho)$$

expanded in  $\mathcal{L}^2$  basis

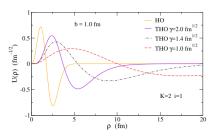
N: number of hyperradial excitations included

$$\mathcal{H}\Psi_n^{j\mu} = \varepsilon_n \Psi_n^{j\mu}$$

- $\varepsilon_n < 0$  bound states
- $\varepsilon_n > 0$  discretized continuum

### Analytical Transformed Harmonic Oscillator (THO) basis

$$\begin{split} &U_{i\beta}^{\mathsf{THO}}(\rho) = \sqrt{\frac{ds}{d\rho}} U_{iK}^{\mathsf{HO}}[s(\rho)] \\ &s(\rho) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} \pmb{b}} \left[ \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{\rho}\right)^4 + \left(\frac{1}{\gamma \sqrt{\rho}}\right)^4} \right]^{\frac{1}{4}} \end{split}$$

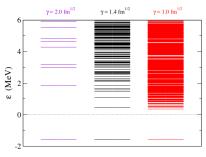


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## Example:

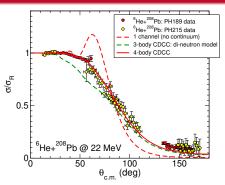
 $\Psi_n^{j\mu}(\rho,\Omega)$  PS spectra,  $\varepsilon_n$ b = 0.7 fm

The ratio  $\gamma/b$  controls the density of PS as a function of the energy.



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# Four-body CDCC calculations for <sup>6</sup>He scattering



N.b.: 1-channel potential considers only g.s.  $\rightarrow$  g.s. coupling potential:

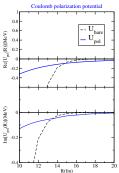
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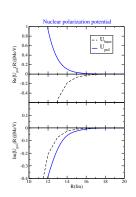
Data (LLN): Sánchez-Benítez et al, NPA 803, 30 (2008) L. Acosta et al, PRC 84, 044604 (2011) Calculations: Rodríguez-Gallardo et al, PRC 80, 051601 (2009)

# Polarization potential from CDCC calculations

$$\left[E - \varepsilon_0 - \hat{T}_{\mathbf{R}} - V_{0,0}(\mathbf{R})\right] \chi_0(\mathbf{R}) = \sum_{i \neq 0} V_{i,0}(\mathbf{R}) \chi_i(\mathbf{R}) \equiv U_{\text{TELP}}(R) \chi_0(\mathbf{R}).$$

Example: <sup>6</sup>He+<sup>208</sup>Pb at 22 MeV

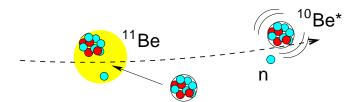




- Polarization potentials are long-ranged.
- ⇒ Both nuclear and Coulomb couplings contribute to the polarization effect.

### Beyond the strict few-body picture: the effect of core excitation

To what extent can one ignore the dynamics of the core?



# Few-body versus Microscopic

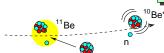
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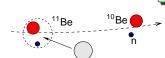
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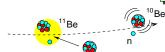
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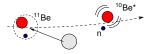
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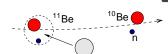
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### Non-inert-core few-body models



- ✓ Few-body + some relevant collective d.o.f.
- Pauli approximately accounted for.
- Achieved for 3-body problems (coupled-channels, Faddeev).

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## Effect of core excitation in scattering observables

- Elastic scattering (adiabatic recoil model): K. Horii *et al*, PRC81 (2010) 061602

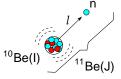
  Some effects found in <sup>8</sup>B + <sup>12</sup> C.
- Transfer (DWBA, CCBA, Faddeev): Winfield *et al*, NPA 683 (2001) 48, Fortier *et al*, PLB 461 (1999) 22, Deltuva, Phys.Rev. C 88, 011601 (2013)
- Knock-out: Batham et al, PRC71, 064608 (2005)
   Small effect on stripping; large effect on diffraction
- Breakup
  - DWBA: Crespo et al, PRC83, 044622 (2011), A.M.M. et al PRC85, 054613 (2012),
     A.M.M. and J.A. Lay, PRL109, 232502 (2012)
  - CDCC: Summers et al, PRC74, 014606(2006), PRC76,014611 (2007), De Diego al, PRC89, 064609 (2014), PRC 95, 044611 (2017)

## How do core excitations affect the breakup of weakly-bound nuclei?

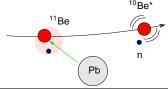
### Core excitations will affect:

• the structure of the projectile ⇒ core-excited admixtures

$$\boxed{\Psi_{JM}(\vec{r},\xi) = \sum_{\ell,j,I} \left[ \varphi^J_{\ell,j,I}(\vec{r}) \otimes \Phi_I(\xi) \right]_{JM}}$$



the dynamics 
 ○ collective excitations of the <sup>10</sup>Be during the collision compete with halo (single-particle) excitations.

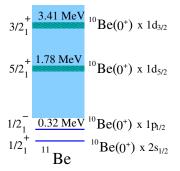


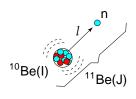
⇒ Both effects have been recently implemented in an extended version of of the CDCC formalism (CDCC): Summers et al., PRC74 (2006) 014606, R. de Diego et al., PRC 89, 064609 (2014)

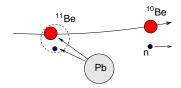
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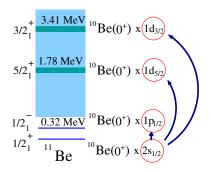


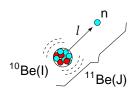


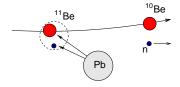
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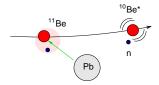
$$\left[\Psi_{JM}(\vec{r},\xi) = \sum_{\ell,j,I} \left[\varphi^{J}_{\ell,j,I}(\vec{r}) \otimes \Phi_{I}(\xi)\right]_{JM}\right]$$

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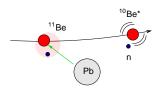
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Dynamic core excitation contributes to the inelastic/breakup probabilities

### Extending CDCC to include core excitations

⇒ Standard CDCC ⇒ use coupling potentials:

$$V_{\alpha;\alpha'}(\mathbf{R}) = \langle \Psi^{\alpha'}_{J'M'}(\vec{r})|V_{vt}(r_{vt}) + V_{ct}(r_{ct})|\Psi^{\alpha}_{JM}(\vec{r})\rangle$$

 $\Rightarrow$  Extended CDCC (XCDCC)  $\Rightarrow$  use generalized coupling potentials

$$V_{\alpha;\alpha'}(\mathbf{R}) = \langle \Psi^{\alpha'}_{J'M'}(\vec{r}, \boldsymbol{\xi}) | V_{vt}(r_{vt}) + V_{ct}(r_{ct}, \boldsymbol{\xi}) | \Psi^{\alpha}_{JM}(\vec{r}, \boldsymbol{\xi}) \rangle$$

- $\Psi^{\alpha}_{M}(\vec{r}, \xi)$ : projectile WFs involving core-excited admixtures (structure).
- $V_{ct}(r_{ct}, \xi)$ : non-central potential allowing for core excitations/de-excitations (dynamic core excitation).
  - Summers et al, PRC74 (2006) 014606 (bins)
  - R. de Diego et al, PRC 89, 064609 (2014) (THO pseudo-states)

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# Structure part: particle-core model

Particle-plus-core Hamiltonian:

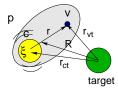
$$H_{\text{proj}} = T_r + h_{\text{core}}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) + V_{vc}(\vec{r}, \boldsymbol{\xi})$$

Projectile states expanded in  $|\alpha; JM\rangle \equiv |(\ell s)j, I; JM\rangle$  basis:

$$\Psi_{JM}(\vec{r}, \xi) = \sum_{\ell,j,l} R_{\ell,j,l}^{J}(r) \left[ \left[ Y_{\ell}(\hat{r}) \otimes \chi_{s} \right]_{j} \otimes \Phi_{I}(\xi) \right]_{JM}$$

⇒ The unknowns  $R_{\ell,j,l}^J(r)$  can be obtained by direct integration of the Schrödinger equation or by diagonalization in a suitable discrete basis (pseudo-state method).

### Valence-core and core-target interactions in a simple collective model



Valence-core:

$$V_{vc}(\vec{r}, \xi) \simeq V_{vc}^{(0)}(r) - \delta_2 \frac{dV_{vc}^{(0)}}{dr} Y_{20}(\hat{r})$$

⇒ Core-target:

$$V_{ct}(\vec{r}_{ct}, \xi) \simeq \underbrace{V_{ct}^{(0)}(r_{ct})}_{\text{Valence excitation}} - \underbrace{\delta_2 \frac{dV_{ct}^{(0)}}{dr} Y_{20}(\hat{r}_{ct})}_{\text{Core excitation}}$$

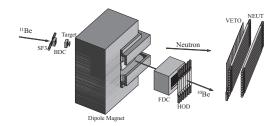
 $\delta_2 = \beta_2 R_0$ =deformation length

→ More sophisticated models for the projectile structure and core-target interaction are possible!

# Exclusive breakup measurements of halo nuclei

# **RIKEN experiments:**

- <sup>19</sup>C+p: Satou et al., PLB660 (2008) 320
- <sup>11</sup>Be+<sup>12</sup>C: Fukuda et al, PRC70, 054606 (2004)



Excitation energy and angular distribution of the projectile can be reconstructed from core-neutron coincidences (*invariant mass method*)

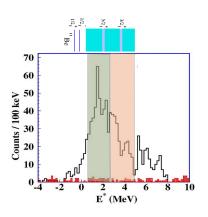
# Application to <sup>11</sup>Be: spectroscopic factors

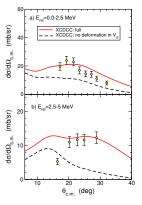
State	Model	$ 0^+\otimes (\ell s)j\rangle$	$ 2^+ \otimes s_{1/2}\rangle$	$ 2^+\otimes d_{5/2}\rangle$
1/2 <sup>+</sup> (g.s.)	PRM	0.857	_	0.121
	SM (WBT)	0.76	_	0.184
5/2 <sup>+</sup> (1.78 MeV)	PRM	0.702	0.177	0.112
	SM(WBT)	0.682	0.177	0.095
3/2 <sup>+</sup> (3.41 MeV)	PRM	0.165	0.737	0.081
	SM(WBT)	0.068	0.534	0.167

- $1/2_1^+, 5/2_1^+ \Rightarrow$  dominant  $^{10}$ Be(gs)  $\otimes nlj$  configuration
- $3/2_1^+ \Rightarrow \text{dominant } {}^{10}\text{Be}(2^+) \otimes 2s_{1/2} \text{ configuration}$

## Evidence of *dynamical* core excitations in p(<sup>11</sup>Be,p') at 64 MeV/u (MSU)

### Data: Shrivastava et al, PLB596 (2004) 54 (MSU)





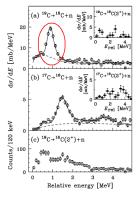
R.de Diego et al, PRC85, 054613 (2014)

- $\Rightarrow$   $E_{rel}$ =0-2.5 MeV contains 5/2+ resonance (expected single-particle mechanism)
- $\Rightarrow$   $E_{rel}$ =2.5–5 MeV contains 3/2<sup>+</sup> resonance (expected core excitation mechanism)

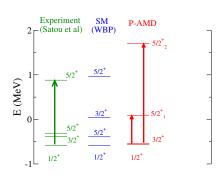
Dynamical core excitations give additional (and significant!) contributions to breakup

# Dominance of *dynamical* core excitations in <sup>19</sup>C resonant breakup

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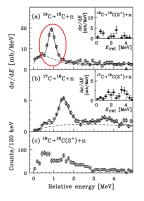


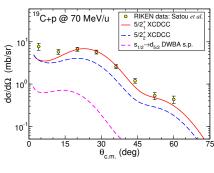
- No general consensus about the <sup>19</sup>C spectrum.
- Resonant peak consistent with  $5/2_1^+$ ,  $5/2_2^+$  or even a combination of both.

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The core-excitation mechanism gives the dominant contribution to the cross section