



Is there a problem with protons

in $N=28$ ^{46}Ar ?

AGATA-MUGAST-VAMOS Experiment



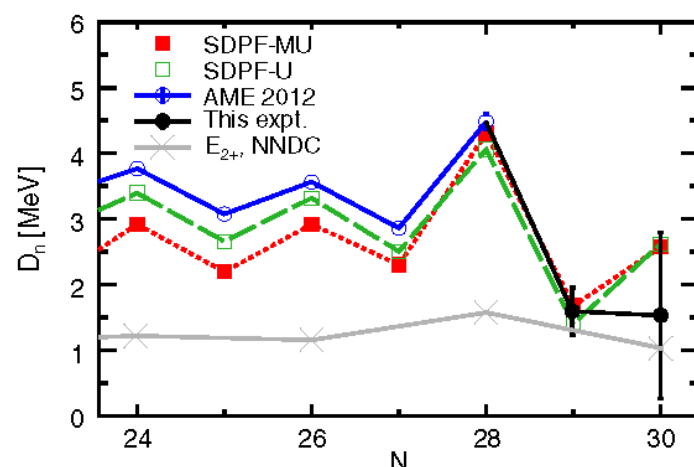
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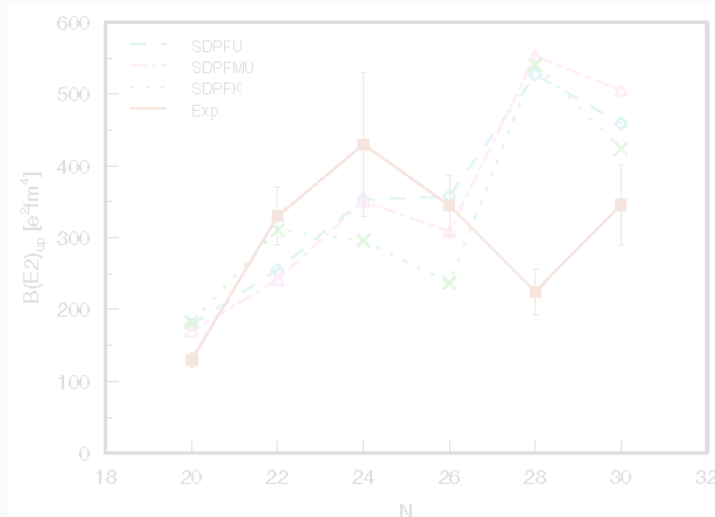


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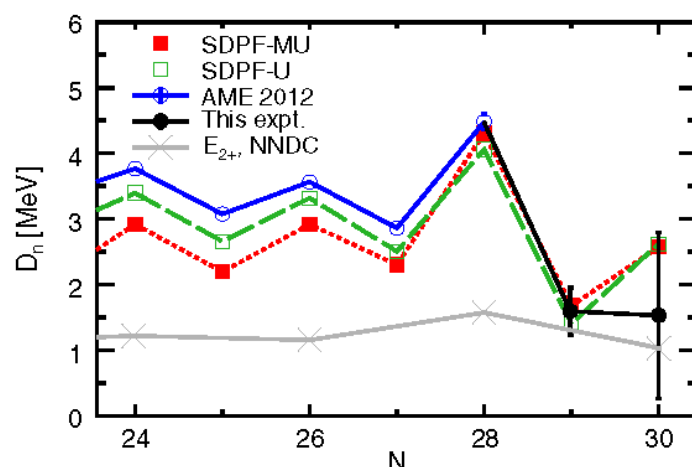
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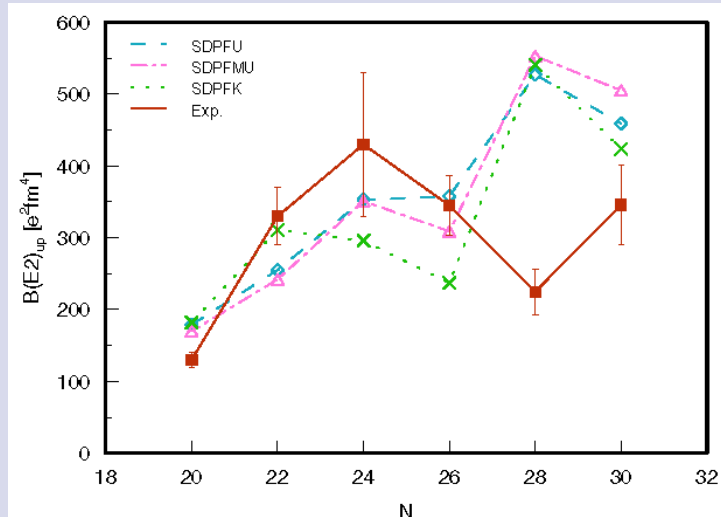


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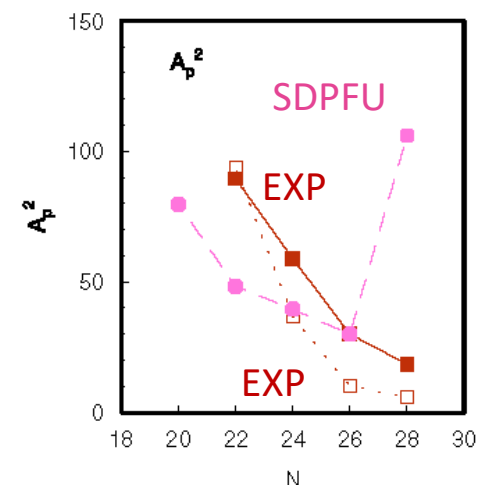
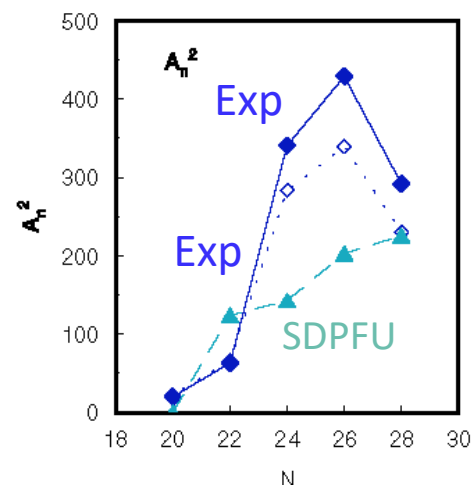
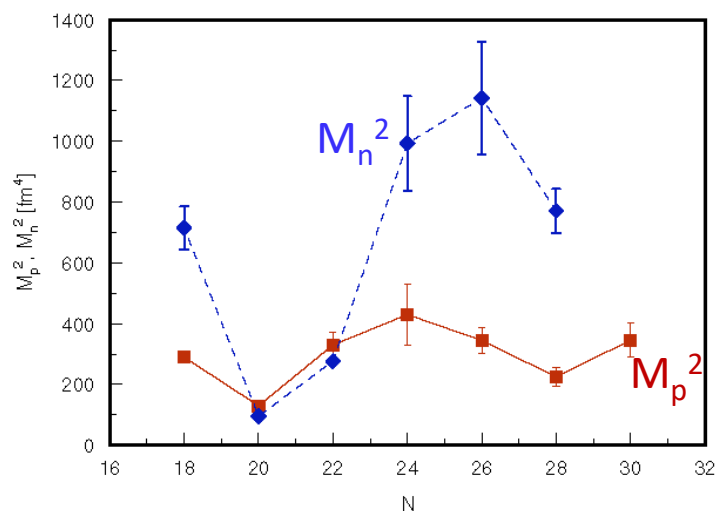
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Problem with the predicted proton wave function (?)

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Need to probe the proton wave function predicted by SDPF:

Example: $\pi s_{1/2}$ almost full or empty in ⁴⁶Ar to decrease B(E2) to exp. value

Smaller effect from N=28 quenching: with $\nu p_{3/2}$ almost full, B(E2)_{up} in ⁴⁶Ar still ~ 350 e²fm⁴

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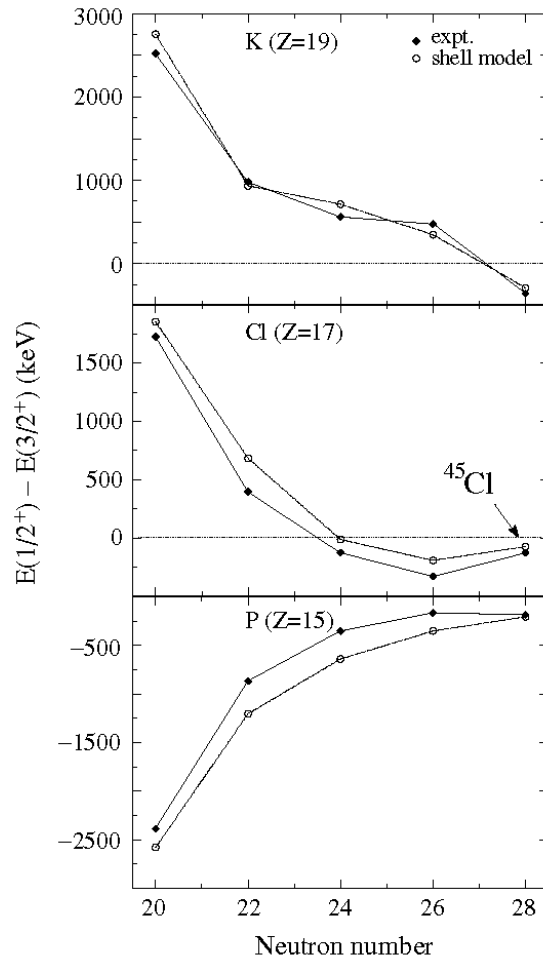
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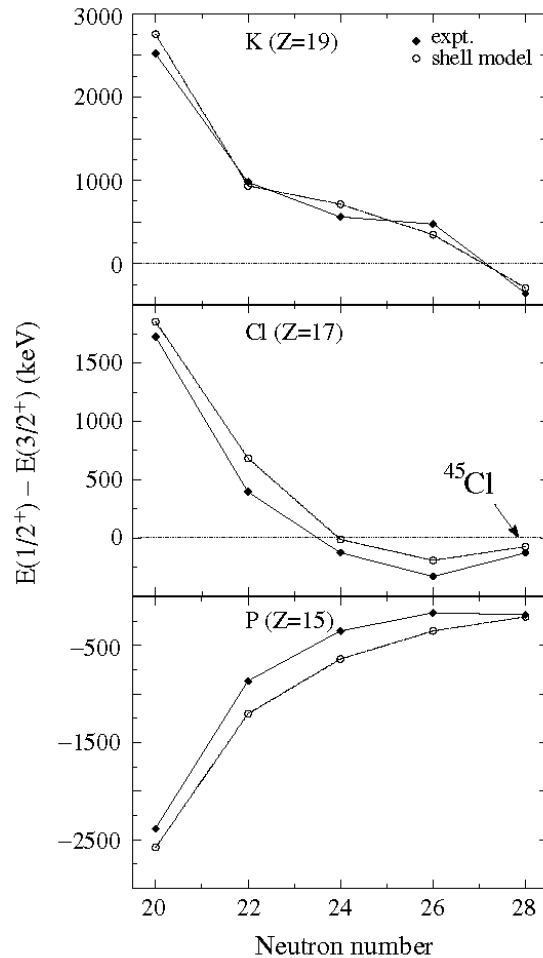
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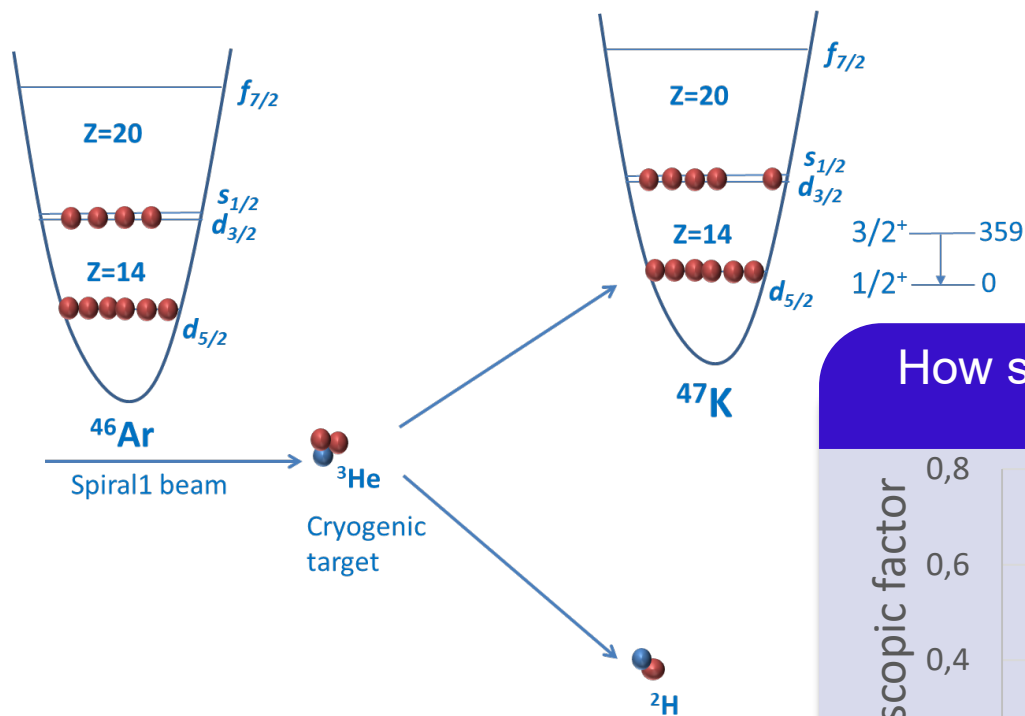
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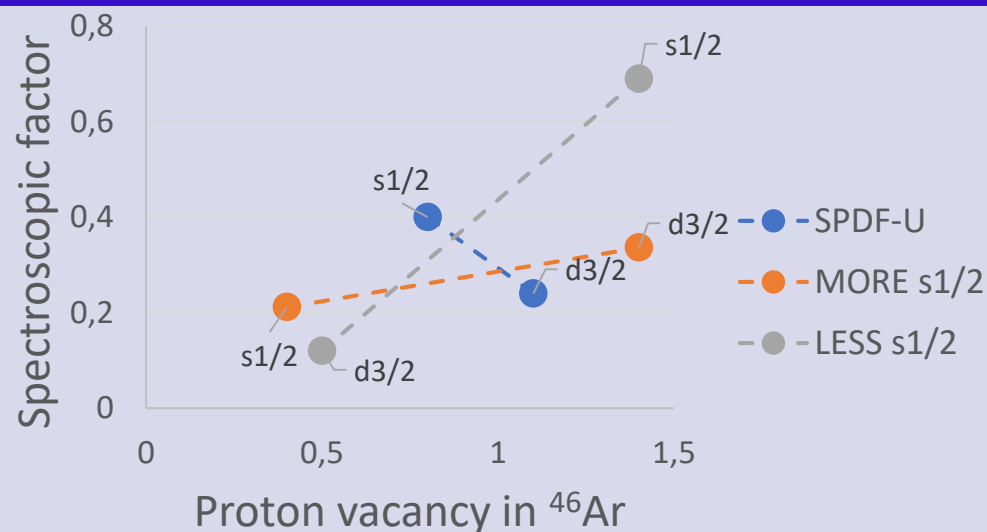
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$^{46}\text{Ar}(^3\text{He},d)^{47}\text{K}$ proton pick-up reaction



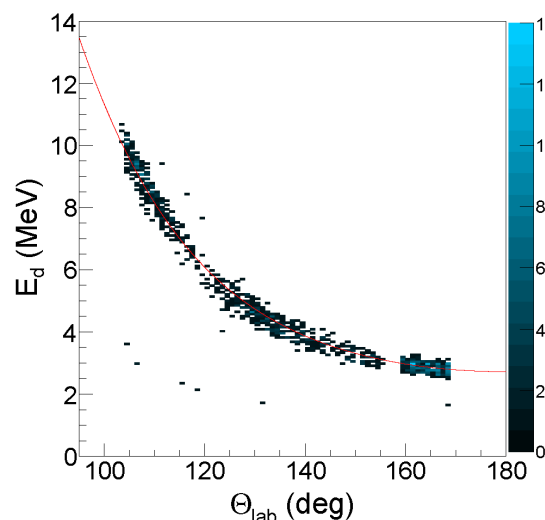
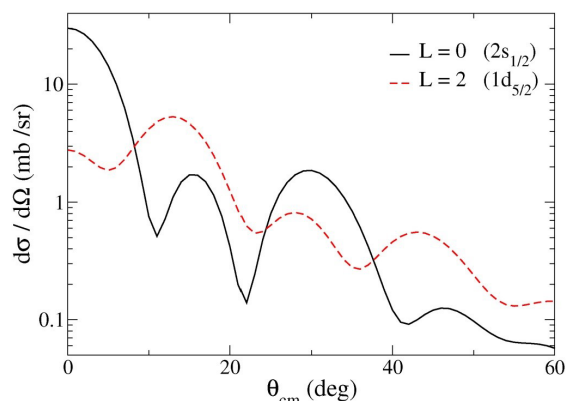
Significant dependence of spectroscopic factors from occupation numbers !

How sensitive are calculated SF to proton wave function in ^{46}Ar ?

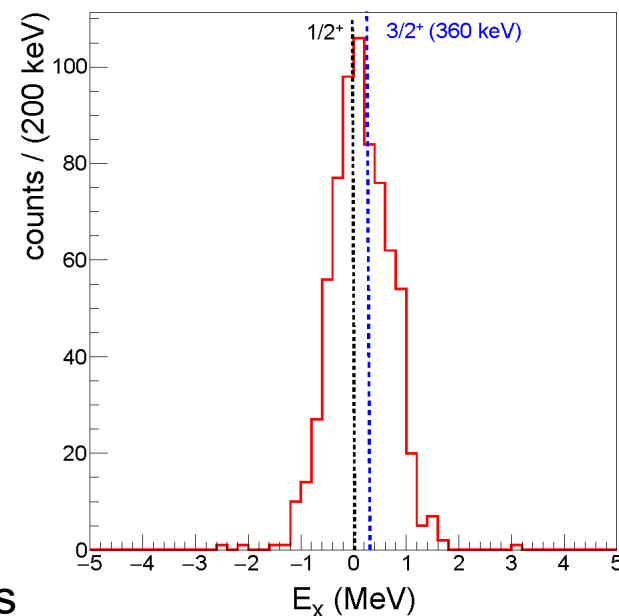


$^{46}\text{Ar}(^3\text{He},d)^{47}\text{K}$: Geant4 simulations

Realistic simulations



Good energy for deuterons
detection



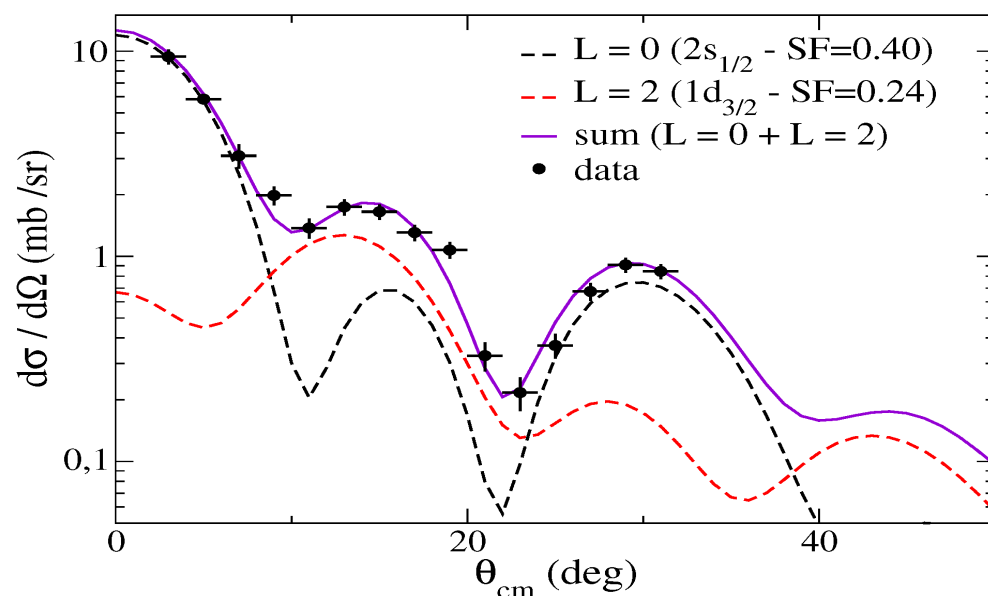
Insufficient energy
resolution from particles:
 γ rays needed

- ^{46}Ar beam: $2 \cdot 10^4$ pps @10 MeV/u (SPIRAL 1)
- ^3He target: 3 mm-thick, $T=8$ K, $P=1$ atm (equivalent 1.5 mg/cm^2)

$^{46}\text{Ar}(^3\text{He},d)^{47}\text{K}$: statistics expected

Calculations of cross section with DWBA theory

State in ^{46}Ar	Cross sections (mb)	Normalized SF	Deuterons/week	Deuterons- γ /week
$1/2^+$	2.5	0.4	1100	-
$3/2^+$	2.7	0.2	640	70

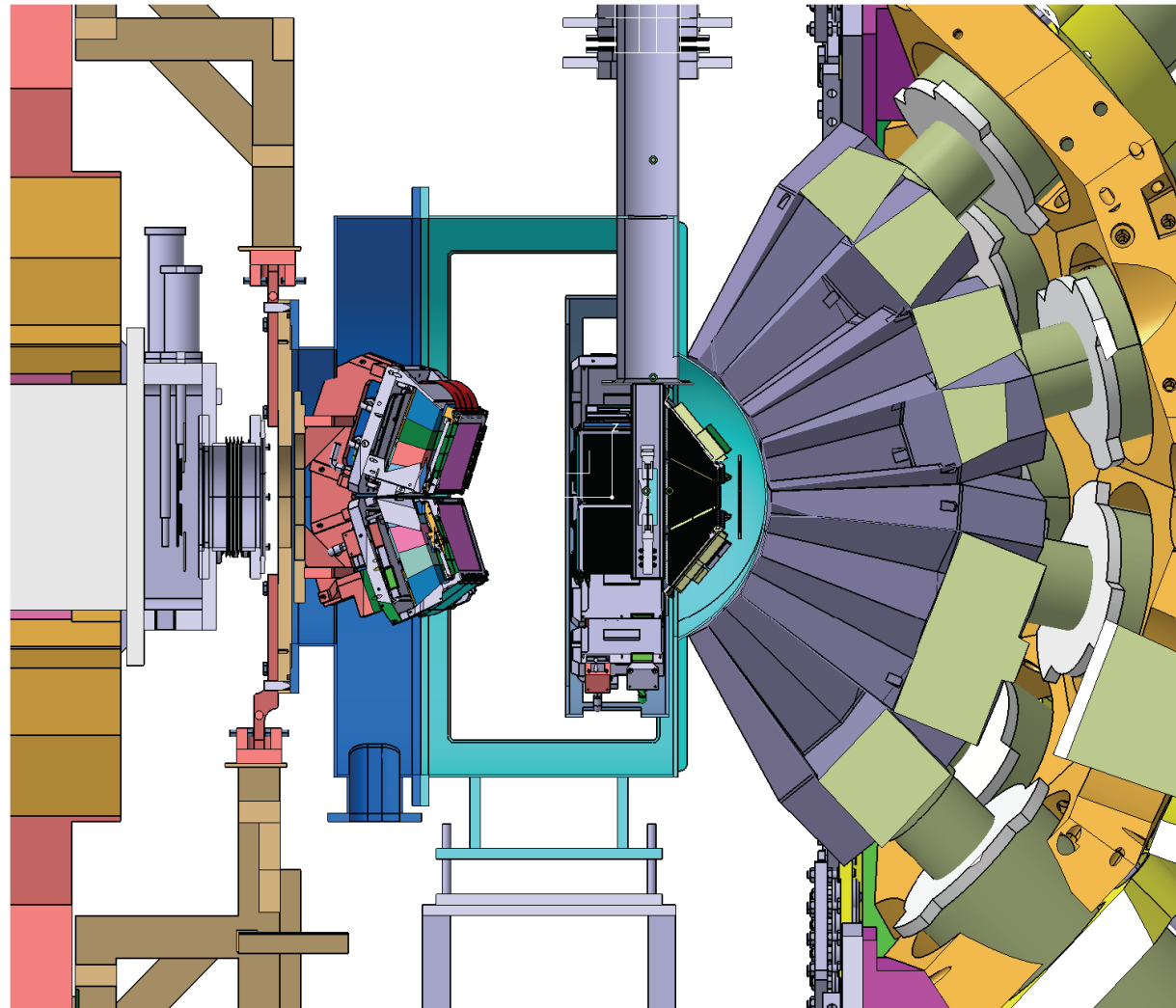


Fit on simulated curves:
statistical errors < 10% on
measured cross sections

Experimental setup

Setup

- ^{46}Ar beam: $2 \cdot 10^4$ pps @10 MeV/u (SPIRAL 1)
- Cryogenic ^3He target: 3 mm-thick, $T=8$ K, $P=1$ atm (equivalent 1.5 mg/cm^2)
- MUGAST for deuterons detection
- AGATA for γ -ray spectroscopy
- VAMOS for helping in identification and spectra cleaning



Beam time

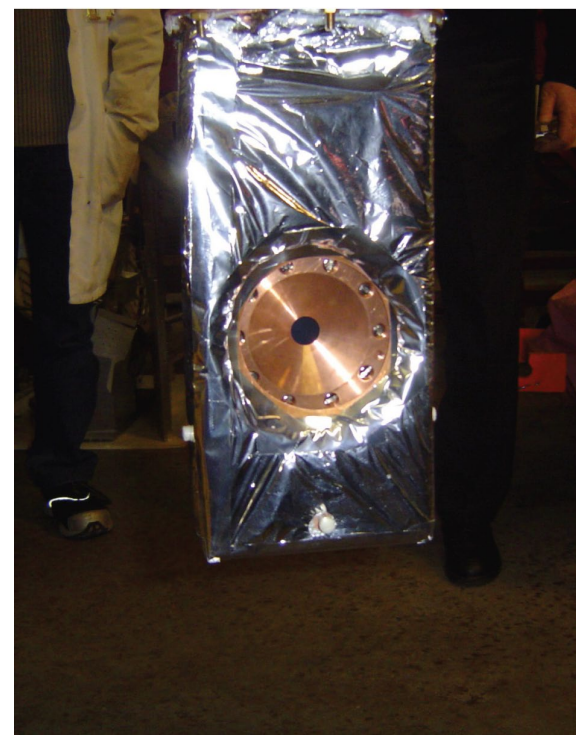
Seven days (21 UTs) of beam time requested

- Statistical errors small enough (around 10%) for meaningful comparison with theory

TAC comments:

1- The installation of the ^3He target has been agreed with GANIL, test at GANIL in February

2- Decision to take the ^{46}Ar option and drop the ^{47}K beam with ^3H target.

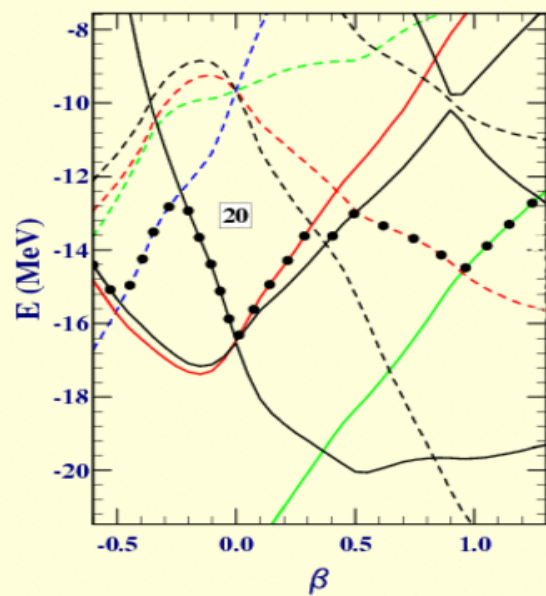


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$^{48}_{20}\text{Ca}_{28}$

Protons

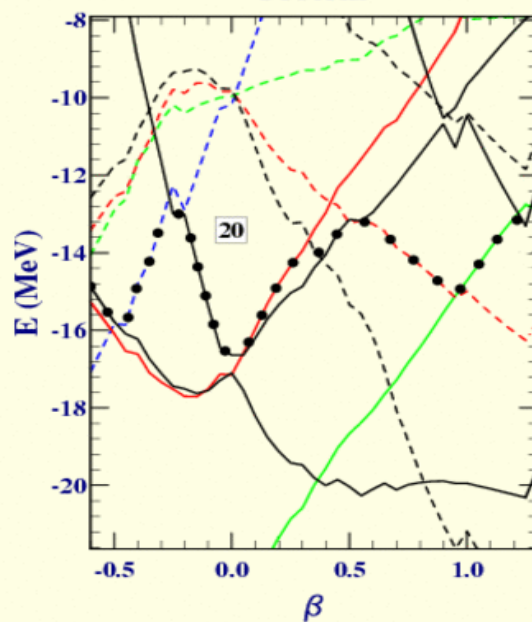


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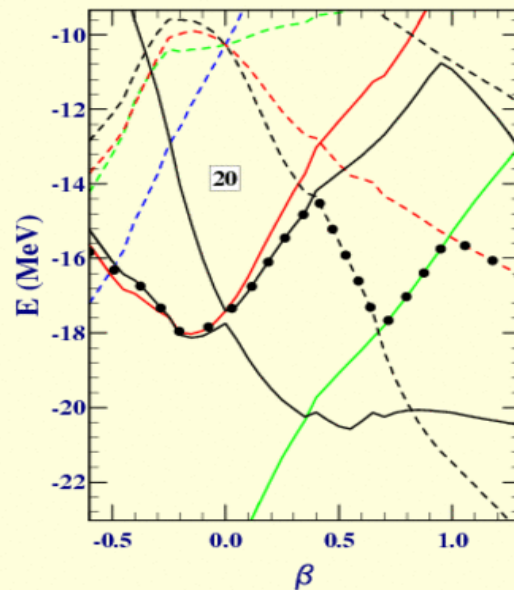
$^{47}_{19}\text{K}_{28}$

Protons



$^{46}_{18}\text{Ar}_{28}$

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$^{45}_{17}\text{Cl}_{28}$

