α共鳴散乱による不安定核クラスター状態の研究 Study on cluster states in unstable nuclei with α-resonant scattering

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Overview

Interests: Clusters emerging in unstable (non-4n) nuclei

Method: RI Beam+ α resonant scattering

Facility: "CRIB", the low-energy RI beam separator of CNS, the University of Tokyo.

Experiments:

• $^{7}\text{Li}+\alpha/^{7}\text{Be}+\alpha$

Astrophysical (α,γ) reactions and α–cluster structure in ¹¹B/¹¹C. Alpha resonances were observed. *Publication: H. Yamaguchi et al., Phys. Rev. C (2011) and Phys. Rev. C (2013).*

- ¹⁰Be+α: motivated by Suhara-En'yo calculation of linear cluster chain in ¹⁴C. *H. Yamaguchi et al., Phys. Lett. B (2017).*
- ${}^{15}\text{O}+\alpha$: measured in 2015.
- ¹⁸Ne+ α : measured in 2016.

The beginning of the story (as for me)

-In 2007, I finished the development of the cryogenic gas target at CRIB, and obtained an intense ⁷Be beam (2 x 10⁸ pps).

-Also in 2007, a paper on the ¹¹B (=⁷Li+ α) cluster structure was published by Kawabata-san (at CNS) et al., based on En'yo-san's theoretical paper (2007).

-Study of ¹¹B/¹¹C cluster levels could be done with the α -resonant scattering using low-energy stable/RI beams \rightarrow I made a proposal based on this idea.

-The idea to study clusters with α -resonant scattering was nothing new, but I initiated a series of measurements at CRIB, which I introduce you today.

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Negative parity states of ¹¹B and ¹¹C and the similarity with ¹²C

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The negative parity states of ¹¹B and ¹¹C were studied based on the calculations of antisymmetrized molecular dynamics (AMD). The calculations reproduced well the experimental strengths of Gamov-Teller (GT), *M*1, and monopole transitions. We especially focused on the $3/2_3^-$ and $5/2_2^-$ states for which GT transition strengths were recently measured. The weak *M*1 and GT transitions for $3/2_3^-$ in ¹¹B and ¹¹C are described by a well-developed cluster structure of $2\alpha + t$ and $2\alpha + ^{3}$ He, respectively, while the strong transitions for $5/2_2^-$ is characterized by an intrinsic spin excitation with no cluster structure. It was found that the $3/2_3^-$ state is of 3α cluster state, and its features are similar to those of $^{12}\text{CO}_2^+$) which is considered to be a gas state of 3α clusters.



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The method...TTIK

- W.W. Daenick and R. Sherr (1963) "thick target method" ¹²C(p,p).
- K.P. Artemov et al., (1990)

Thick-Target with Inverse Kinematics

¹²C beam into thick helium (α) target

Effective method of study of α -cluster states

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For study of states with a large reduced α width the method of measurement of the excitation function of elastic scattering of α particles is proposed, but in a geometry which is the reverse of the traditional experimental arrangement. The targets are helium gas which is simultaneously a moderator for the primary beam of heavy ions and an absorber which shields the detector from the direct beam. The advantages of the method are obvious in those cases in which in the usual experimental arrangement the need arises of using gas targets or targets of rare isotopes or of measurements at an angle 180°. To check the method we have carried out a comparison with the known $\alpha + {}^{12}C$ interaction. New results are obtained in the interaction ${}^{15}N + \alpha$.



FIG. 1. Spectrum of α particles obtained in interaction of ¹²C ions with initial energy 28 MeV with helium. The detection angle is 0°. In the insert we have given the excitation function for elastic scattering of α particles by carbon from Ref. 4. The detection angle is 158.8°.

The thick-target method in inverse kinematics (TTIK)

Measurement of resonant scattering



- Inverse kinematics... measurement is possible for short-lived RI which cannot be used as the target.
- Simultaneous measurement of the excitation function for certain energy range.(Small systematic error, no need to change beam energy.)
- The beam can be stopped in the target...measurement at θ_{cm}=180 degrees (where the potential scattering is minimal) is possible.

CRIB

- CNS Radio-Isotope Beam separator, operated by CNS (Univ. of Tokyo), located at RIBF (RIKEN Nishina Center).
 - Low-energy(<10MeV/u) RI beams by in-flight method.</p>
 - Primary beam from K=70 AVF cyclotron.
 - Momentum (Magnetic rigidity) separation by "double achromatic" system, and velocity separation by a Wien filter.
 - Orbit radius: 90 cm, solid angle: 5.6 msr, momentum resolution: 1/850.



CRIB in **RIBF**

- AVF alone, operation cost ~1/10 of BigRIPS.
- Ion source / AVF/ CRIB...have been developed under CNS-RIKEN collaboration (joint venture).



Low-Energy RI beam Productions at CRIB

2-body reactions such as (p,n), (d,p) and (³He,n) in inverse kinematics are mainly used for the production....large cross section

Many **RI beams** have been produced at CRIB: typically 10⁴-10⁶ pps

Low energy & low mass; very suitable for α cluster studies.



International collaborations at CRIB

• CRIB experiments performed in 2007-2011, by collaborated members of CNS and other institutes:



⁷Li(α , γ) and ⁷Be(α , γ) in the p-p chains

- ⁷Li...mainly destroyed by
 ⁷Li(p,α)⁴He in the p-p II chain.
- ⁷Be(α,γ)...one of the reaction in the hot p-p chain (p-p V and "rap" processes).



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¹⁷F

¹⁶0

¹⁵N

¹⁴C

¹⁵O

¹⁴N

¹³C

¹⁴O

¹³N

¹²C

¹³O

¹²N

¹¹C

⁹0 ¹⁰0

⁷Li/⁷Be(α , γ) experimental study

- ${}^{7}\text{Li}(\alpha,\gamma)$ and ${}^{7}\text{Be}(\alpha,\gamma)$ were directly measured only at lowlying resonances:
 - Paul et al., Phys. Rev. 164 (1967) 1332.
 - Hardie et al., Phys. Rev. C, 29 (1984)1199.

⁷Be(α, γ): only two resonances at E_r<1 MeV are included in the NACRE evaluation.

Ι.	$E_{ m r}$	J^{π}	$\omega\gamma~({ m eV})$	Γ_{α} (eV)	Γ_{γ} (eV)	Ref	
	0.560	$3/2^{-}$	$0.331 {\pm} 0.041$	11 ± 7	$0.350 {\pm} 0.056$	HA84	Ι
	0.877	$5/2^{-}$	$3.80{\pm}0.57$	12.6 ± 3.8	3.1 ± 1.3	HA84	Ι

- Resonant reaction dominates the reaction rate. Higher resonances may contribute at supernova temperature (>1 GK).
- We studied higher-lying resonances by the resonant elastic scattering method, $^{7}\text{Li}(\alpha,\alpha)$ and $^{7}\text{Be}(\alpha,\alpha)$ at CRIB to obtain information on the resonances (energy, width, spin and parity).

Nuclear Cluster

- Low-mass nuclei often have αcluster states (large Γ_α).
- Those states may greatly enhance alpha-induced reaction rates. (Integrated resonant reaction cross section

 $\propto \Gamma_{\alpha} \Gamma_{x} / \Gamma.)$

Hoyle state is a famous example.

 Those states should be observed as strong resonances by resonant elastic scattering.

⁷Be+ α ...cluster structure in ¹¹C can be studied.







⁷Li+ α /⁷Be+ α study

- ⁷Li(α,γ)¹¹B ...important at high-T, as a production reaction of ¹¹B (the v-process in core-collapse supernovae).
- ⁷Be(α,γ)¹¹C ... one reaction in the hot *p-p* chain, relevant at high-T.
- \Rightarrow Needs information on higher lying resonances.
- α -cluster structure in ¹¹B/¹¹C :
 - 2α+t/2α+³He cluster states are known to exist *En'yo* (2007), *Kawabata et al.* (2007).
 - Several "bands" which have a feature of α-cluster structure could be formed. We can study the band and cluster structure more in detail.



Exotic cluster structure

 2α+t/2α+³He cluster state in ¹¹B/¹¹C, similar to the dilute cluster structure in ¹²C: Y.K. En'yo (2007), T. Kawabata *et al.* (2007). ⇒ A rotational band with negative parity was expected in higher excited energy region

(c.f. positive parity bands observed by N. Soic et al., 2004).



⁷Li(α , γ); interests

- T<< 1 GK; ⁷Li(p,α)⁴He (p-p chain).⁷Be(α,γ)¹¹C(β+v)¹¹B is more important.
- High temperature: triple- α should be fast, but ⁷Li(α , γ) may play important roles in some environments:

♦ ⁷Li /¹¹B ratio in core-collapse supernovae

...the v-process T. Yoshida et al., PRL (2006),

G.J. Mathews et al., *PRD* (2012). ¹¹B is produced mainly through the $^{7}Li(\alpha,\gamma)^{11}B$ reaction. (Some are via ^{12}C .)

The number ratio of ⁷Li/¹¹B can be sensitive to the neutrino hierarchy through neutrino mixing parameter, θ_{13} .

 Boron production in inhomogeneous big-bang nucleosynthesis.



FIG. 3. The number ratio of ${}^{7}\text{Li}/{}^{11}\text{B}$ with the relation of $\sin^{2}2\theta_{13}$. The shaded ranges include the uncertainties of neutrino energy spectra deduced from the calculations using three sets of neutrino temperatures and total neutrino energies (see text).

⁷Be(α , γ) and other low-mass (α ,p)

vp-process calculation (T₉>1) shows considerable contribution by ${}^{10}B(\alpha,p){}^{13}C$ and ${}^{7}Be(\alpha,\gamma){}^{11}C$ as much as the triple-alpha process.



Setup for ⁷Li/⁷Be+ α

- Thick target method with inverse kinematics ... An efficient method to measure excitation function.
 - ⁷Be beam is monitored by a PPAC (or an MCP detector).
 - ⁷Be beam stops in a thick helium gas target (200 mmlong, 1.6 atm).
 - Recoiled α particles are detected by ΔE-E counter (10 μm and 500 μm Si detectors) at forward angle.
 - Nal array for γ-ray measurement (to identify inelastic events).



⁷Li+ α result

• Strong alpha resonances were successfully observed, and we determined the α widths (Γ_{α}). *H. Yamaguchi et al., Phys Rev. C (2011).*



⁷Li+ α ; results

Newly proposed a negative

parity band.

•It may not be a simple

 Resonant reaction rates for the observed resonances are compared with NACRE evaluation (including resonances below 11 MeV).



Interpretation of the new negative-parity band Suhara & En'yo PRC (2012)



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Interpretation of the new negative-parity band

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⁷Be+ α Excitation functions

• 4 excitation functions... new information on resonant widths, spin, and parity. *H. Yamaguchi et al., PRC (2013).*



Resonant contribution to ⁷Be(α,γ)

 Small but not negligible contribution compared to lower-lying states (~10%).



(Rotational) bands in ¹¹C

- 2 rotational bands (K=3/2⁺,5/2⁺) were suggested in Soic et al. (2004).
- J^π=9/2⁺ was assigned for the resonance at 12.4 MeV, and it can be the member of K=3/2⁺ band.
- A negative-parity band is proposed.



¹⁰Be+alpha

• The main topic of today.



Experimental investigation of a linear-chain structure in the nucleus ¹⁴C

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⁷Li/⁷Be+ α ; level parameters

$E_{\rm ex}$ (MeV)	J^{π}	l	Γ_{α} (keV)		Γ_w (keV)	γ_{α}^2 (MeV)		
			This study	Ref. [18]		This study	Ref. [9]	Ref. [13]
10.24	3/2-	2	4 (<9)	1	72	0.089	0.227	0.05
10.34	5/2-	2	19 ± 4		94	0.32		0.09
10.60	$7/2^+$	3	10 ± 3	30	15	1.1	0.640	0.084
11.06 ± 0.04	$5/2^+$ $(3/2^+, 7/2^+, 9/2^+)$	3	32 ± 20		41	1.25		
11.29	$9/2^+$	3	35 ± 4		63	0.89		
(11.59) ^a	$(7/2^{-})$	4	270 ($\Gamma_n = 580$)		(7)			
12.63 ± 0.04	$(3/2^+ [6], 5/2^+, 7/2^+, 9/2^+ [22])^b$	3	33–400 [°]	275	330	0.20-1.3		
13.03	9/2-	4	$140\ _{+110}^{-80}$		58	2.5		

^aThe values $3/2^+$ and $9/2^+$ were suggested in previous studies, while four spins are possible from our measurements alone. ^bThis resonance should not be regarded as a single-state resonance.

^cDepends on J. See also Table II.

$\Gamma\alpha$ were obtained

E _{ex} (MeV)	Jπ	_{a0}	Γ _{α0} (KeV)	Γ _{p0} (KeV)	Γ _{at} (KeV)	 Γ _{p1} (KeV)	Γ _{tot} [38] (KeV)	$\Gamma_{W\alpha}(KeV)$
8.90	$(9/2^{+})$	3	8	1				64
9.20	$(5/2^+)$	3	13				500	21
9.65	$(3/2^{-})$	0	20	50			210	1310
9.78	$(5/2^{-})$	2	19	100			240	450
9.97	$(7/2^{-})$	2	153 ± 55	35	30		120	580
10.083	7/2+	3	25	230			230	90
10.679	9/2+	3	58 ± 36	110			200	230
11.03	$(5/2^{-})$	3	130 ± 83	25	45	120	300	360
11.44	$(3/2^+)$	1	80	30	150		360	2680
12.40	9/2+	3	460 ± 150	90			1000-2000	1100
12.65	$(7/2^+)$	3	420 ± 178	110			360	1270

Early evidences of cluster structure

- High binding energy of ⁴He, ¹²C, ¹⁶O, ...
- ⁸Be

Strong 2α decay with a short lif
MeV (0+), 3.03 MeV (2+),
11.35 MeV(4+) levels...rotational
Large momentum inertia.

¹²C: Hoyle state
 Difficult to form with usual reactio



Alpha particle model

- 1930's: alpha particle model was invented, which treats alpha particle as a subunit of nucleus. (⇔ independent particle model) Bethe & Bacher (1936) etc. [cf. shell model: 1949]
- Successful in reproducing binding energies of 4n-nuclei (⁸Be, ¹²C, ¹⁶O,...) and others.
- Already had a concept of triangular-shaped¹²C.



FIG. 4. Increments of binding energies for nuclei of (4n-1) type. (The superscript to the carbon symbol should be 12.)

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Morinaga (1956) and linear chain

- Discussed on 4n-nuclei based on the alpha particle model
- Predicted linear-chains in ¹²C, ¹⁶O, etc., from their high momenta of inertia.



Experimental evidence?

There had been several "experimental evidences" of linear chain states reported, but with rather weak reasoning, typically based on the high momentum of inertia.

Chevallier et al. (1967), E_x >17 MeV states in ¹⁶O:

"The only conceivable structure with such a moment of inertia is of four α 's laid out in a string and rotating rigidly."

is found to have the value $% \left({{{\mathbf{x}}_{i}}} \right)$

 $g = 21M(O^{16})(F)^2 = 3M(O^{16})R(O^{16})^2$,

where $M(O^{16})$ is the mass of O^{16} and $R(O^{16})$ the radius, taken as 2.64 F.

This is a rather large moment of inertia, about four times the moments of inertia of the bands with band heads at 6.05 and 11.26 MeV_i¹ and it implies a very extended structure of the O¹⁶ nucleus in these tates. The only conceivable structure with such a monent of inertia is of four α 's laid out in a string and otating rigidly. The distance between centers of adjacent α 's in this configuration is found to be 4.1 F, close to the diameter of the α particle. A similar structure has been suggested by Morinaga⁶ for a rotational band in Mg²⁴.

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⁶ H. Morinaga, Phys. Rev. 101, 254 (1956).



Hoyle state was not the linear-chain state

- Horiuchi (OCM), Uegaki (GCM), Fukushima and Kamimura (RGM), En'yo (AMD), Neff and Feldmeier (FMD)...long research history of theoretical development, suggesting the Hoyle state is not a linear chain.
- Röpke et al., (1998), Tohsaki et al., (2001):

" α particle condensation in low-density nuclear matter"

 α ... boson, condensed into lowest s-wave state

3 α particles are weakly interacting and having a broad spatial distribution: "dilute cluster state"

lowest s-orbit

Clustering in carbon isotopes

¹⁴C: half-life 5,730±40 years, famous for chronology

- ¹⁴C...Itagaki (triangular shape), Oertzen (prolate deformation).
- ¹⁶C...stabilized depending on d, θ ?



Phase transition and ¹²C-¹⁴C

- Solid, Liquid, Gas structure [Itagaki et al.] shell model...liquid crystallic...solid
- weakly interacting...gas



¹⁰Be+ α

- Linear-chain cluster levels in ¹⁴C were predicted in Suhara & En'yo calculation.
- Asymmetric, ¹⁰Be+α configuration …likely to be observed with
 ¹⁰Be+α alpha-resonant scattering.
- May form a band with J^π=0⁺,2⁺,4⁺
 a few MeV above α-threshold.
- Scattering of two 0⁺ particles...only *l*-dependent resonant profile.

Suhara-san introduced this to me in 2011. I thought, this configuration is very suitable for the α -resonant scattering.



Cluster bands

- Predicted energy...few MeV above the $^{10}\mbox{Be+}\alpha$ threshold

19.1 4' 18.03 (7) 2+ 16.0 (5) $\mathbf{0}^+$ 15.18 15.1 (6⁻) 14.67 12.58 (3-) ¹⁰Be+ α 11.73 12.012 (4-) 11.40 1-2-10.45 0. 9.75

Linear chain states $K=0^+$ $K=0^-$ in the calculation byProlate rotational bandsSuhara&En'yo (2010)in Oertzen et al., (2004)

Experimental setup

Thick target method in inverse kinematics, similar to the previous $^{7}\text{Be}+\alpha$.



- •Two PPACs for the beam PI, trajectory, number of particles.
- •Two silicon detector telescopes for recoiling α partciles.
- • E_{cm} and θ obtained by event-by-event kinematic reconstruction. H. Yamaguchi@RIBF NP seminar #37

Excitation function

- The excitation function we obtained for 13.8-19.2 MeV exhibits many resonances.
- R-matrix analysis was performed to determine resonance parameters (E, J^π, Γ_α).



Linear-chain levels



Suhara & En'yo, PRC 2010 and 2011:

Experiments in other facilities

Results on two other ¹⁰Be+ α TTIK experiments were published before our publication was made.

- M. Freer et al., Phys. Rev. C (2014) Birmingham group+ at ORNL
 - High-intensity ¹⁰Be beam, spectrum at very forward angle, no PI
- A. Fritsch et al., Phys. Rev. C (2016)
 MSU group at Notre Dame
 - Low-intensity ¹⁰Be beam, Active target, only side angles.

Compare with Birmingham exp.

[Freer et al. (2014)] Nice agreement at least for >15.7 MeV, but their cross section is 4 times higher than us. (Thus they yielded large α widths than us.)

 Cross section normalization by Rutherford c.s. was applied in Freer et al., while our experiment directly yielded absolute c.s.



FIG. 11. (Color online) R -matrix fit to the data in the region between $E_x = 16.5$ and 22 MeV (red-solid and blue-dashed lines). The difference between the two fits is the inclusion of an additional 4^+ state in the calculation shown by the red line. See Tablefor the parameters of fits 1 and 2.

Freer et al. (2014), vs Our result

- Discrepancy in the lowenergy part...because of the energy loss calculation? *H. Yamaguchi@RIBF NP seminar*

Comparison with MSU experiment

[Fritsch et al. (2016)] Active target experiment covering side angles.

Questionable points in their results:

1. Too low cross section (even lower than Rutherford c.s.), not consistent with broad resonant widths

2. No clear identification for each resonance.

3. Ambiguous spin-parity determination due to simple Legendre function analysis.



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Rotational Band

The set of resonances we observed $(0^+, 2^+, 4^+)$ is proportional to J(J+1) ... consistent with a view of rotational band.

Also perfectly consistent with the theoretical prediction.



Partial width θ_{α}^{2}

Experimental θ_{α}^{2} by $\Gamma \alpha / \Gamma \omega$ Theoretical θ_{α}^{2} by overlap of AMD and Brink wavefunctions.

Experimental uncertainties (beyond the error bars):

- -Mixing ratio of the (5⁻, 4⁺) doublet
- -Neutron width
- -Additional resonance

Theoretical uncertainties:

Radial motion of the α particle
Rotational motion of the¹⁰Be
Fragmentation of the state, coupling with other configurations.



Baba and Kimura (2016 & 2017)



Another AMD calculation,

" σ -bond" linear chain band, consistent with 3 experiments " π -bond" linear chain band at higher energy (studied by Peking Univ. group).

Evidence for σ -bond chain?

J. Li, Y.L. Ye et al., PRC (2017): Breakup of ¹⁴C with ⁹Be beam.

22.5-MeV resonance... could be the predicted σ -bond chain from the energy (22.2 MeV) and the dominance of the decay to the 6-MeV states.



How certain are the linear-chain states?

- Identification of the 0⁺ state...1⁻ was excluded with 3σ significance, but the error can be systematic.
 - Limited statistics and angular range
 - Background subtraction
 - Inelastic scattering?
- We planned the 4th experiment at INFN-LNS (Catania, Italy):
 - ♦ With offline-production ¹⁰Be beam
 - ◆Inelastic scattering separation with TOF.

⇒Performed in Oct., 2018.

More recent studies at CRIB

- ³⁰S+α...³⁰S(α, p) rate for X-ray bursts published as D.
 Kahl et al., Phys. Rev. C (2018).
- ${}^{15}\text{O}+\alpha$... Cluster bands, astrophysical ${}^{18}\text{F}(p, \alpha)$ reaction rate
- ¹⁸Ne+ α ... Missing ²²Mg cluster levels
- ¹⁰C+α... mirror of ¹⁰Be+α, proposal just accepted in the last NP-PAC (M. Sferrazza et al.)

¹⁵O+ α study

Rotational band in ²⁰Ne

- \$\Phi positive (0+,2+,...)& negative(1-,
 3-,...)
- Corresponding states in doublets expected in ¹⁹Ne, which should have α-cluster feature.

Nemoto & Bando, PTP (1971).

Recent calculation by Otani et al.
 (2014) "ABC" method.

Many parameters still unknown.

 ¹⁵O+α resonant elastic scattering...these levels can be selectively observed. 10.23 5-





¹⁵O+ α study

Recent calculation by Otani et al. (2014)...Absorbing boundary condition



The importance of ¹⁹Ne in nuclear astrophysics



Nucleus	τ	Type of γ -ray radiation	Nova type	
¹³ N	862 s	511 keV line continuum (E<511 keV)	CO and ONe	
¹⁸ F	158 m	511 keV line continuum (E<511 keV)	CO and ONe	
⁷ Be	77 d	478 keV line	CO	
²² Na	3.75 y	1275 keV line	ONe	
²⁶ AI	10 ⁶ y	1809 keV line	ONe	

It is known that most of 511keV γ -ray emission by e⁺e⁻ annihilation comes from β decay of ¹⁸F.

The lifetime of ¹⁸F (158 m) is in good agreement with the time required for the Nova ejecta to be transparent to the γ -ray emission .

Productive reaction : ${}^{17}\text{O}(p,\gamma){}^{18}\text{F}$, ${}^{17}\text{F}(p,\gamma){}^{18}\text{Ne}(e^+\nu_e){}^{18}\text{F}$ Destructive reaction : ${}^{18}\text{F}(p,\alpha){}^{15}\text{O}$, ${}^{18}\text{F}(p,\gamma){}^{19}\text{Ne}$

¹⁵O+ α ; astrophysics

- ¹⁸F(p,α)¹⁵O reaction...important in novae as a destruction process of ¹⁸F.
- Resonance at 6.42 MeV...relevant resonance,
 but the spin-parity has not determined
 uniquely yet.

Study from exit channel ${}^{15}O+\alpha$ to determine J^{π} .



Detector and target setup: thick target method





Primary beam : ${}^{15}N^{7+}$, 7.0 MeV/u, 600npA Primary target : H₂ gas, 90k, 540torr, 80mm Secondary beam: ${}^{15}O^{8+}$, 2.4MeV/u, 6 × 10⁵ pps Secondary target : He gas, 600 torr, 300K, 200mm Background measurement : Ar gas, 115 torr Beam energy after the entrance window: 36 MeV

 $Ex = 3.5 \sim 11.5$ MeV in ¹⁹Ne was scanned.

R-matrix fitting



R-matrix calculation was performed at three angles
 for obtaining the resonant parameters. (SAMMY8)
 Many J^π combinations referred from theoretical values an

 previous experimental ones were applied.
 Finally, J^π which has the least χ² was assigned.

$E_x(MeV)$	J^{π}	• $\Gamma_{\alpha}(\text{keV})$	$\Theta_{\alpha}{}^2$
6.23	$\frac{3}{2}^{+}$	$19.7{\pm}~6.8$	0.069
6.49	$\frac{1}{2}^{+}$	$15.2{\pm}~8.5$	0.018
6.87	$\frac{3}{2}$	334 ± 39	0.464
6.93	$\frac{3}{2}$ +	8.8 ± 2.0	0.013
7.21	$\frac{7+}{2}$	$49.2{\pm}~4.2$	0.207
7.40	$\frac{5}{2}$ +	$45.1{\pm}~7.8$	0.145
7.78	$\frac{1}{2}^{+}$	$166.4{\pm}~24.4$	0.127
8.04	$\frac{3}{2}$ +	213 ± 11	0.143
8.22	$\frac{1}{2}$	$263{\pm}20$	0.142
8.38	$\frac{3}{2}$ +	133 ± 15	0.077
8.59	$\frac{1}{2}$	38 ± 8	0.018
9.48	$\frac{3}{2}$ +	120 ± 12	0.053
9.68	$\frac{7}{2}$ -	136 ± 5	0.148
10.41	92	560 ± 13	0.424
10.52	$\frac{7}{2}$	$445{\pm}20$	0.323
11.49	$\frac{11}{2}$	$315{\pm}10$	0.277
11.58	$\frac{\bar{9}}{2}^+$	202 ± 7	0.175

• Goldberg et al. (2004) Resonant scattering of ${}^{18}\text{O}+\alpha/{}^{18}\text{Ne}+\alpha$

⇒Inconsistency between mirror levels in ²²Ne/²²Mg

 Theory: *Descouvement* (1998), Kimura (2007)... for ²²Ne levels.

The levels are shifted or quenched by stronger Coulomb interaction?

New measurement at CRIB, covering wider energy range (up to Ex=20 MeV).



18Ne+a; preliminary result ¹⁸Ne(α, α) : Yield vs E_{c.m.} (=E_{ex} - 8.14 MeV)



Background alpha...

contamination in the secondary

beam, peaked at 4.3 MeV.

Summary

- CRIB is a low-energy RI beam facility operated by CNS, University of Tokyo, providing RI beams of good intensity and purity.
 - CRIB is good at producing RI beams of low-mass (A<40) and near the stability line.</p>
 - Alpha resonant elastic scattering ...a striking method to study alpha cluster structure.
- ⁷Li+α,⁷Be+α...strong resonances were observed. We studied astrophysical reactions and alpha-cluster structures, proposing negative parity bands.
- ¹⁰Be+α... A rotational band was observed, completely consistent with the prediction of the linear-chain cluster states by Suhara-En'yo AMD calculation.
- Newer studies: ¹⁵O+ α , ¹⁸Ne+ α , and more.
- We welcome theoretical suggestions and experimental collaborators with new ideas!