

Spectroscopy of p -wave neutron halo nuclei via neutron removal reactions

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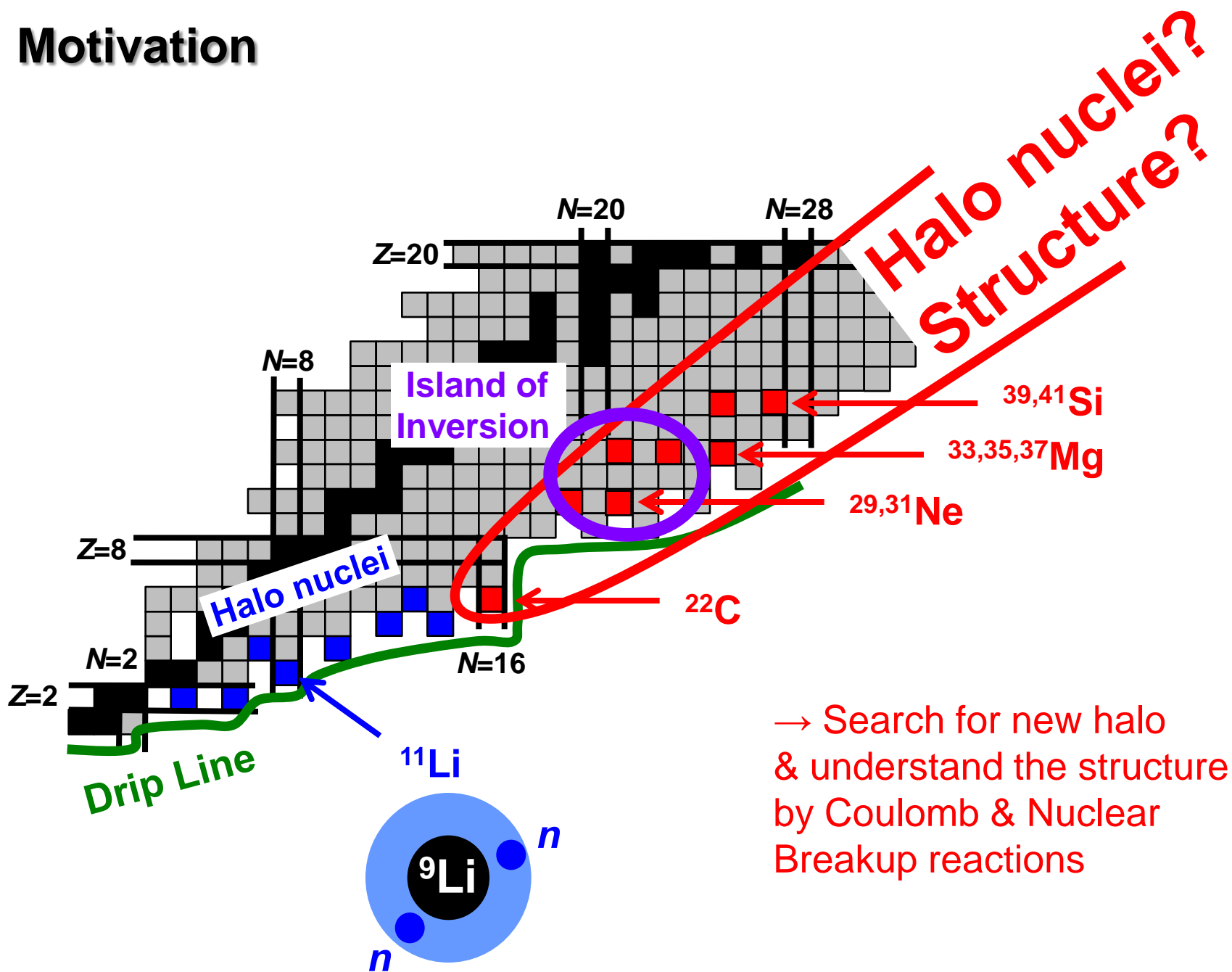
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Motivation

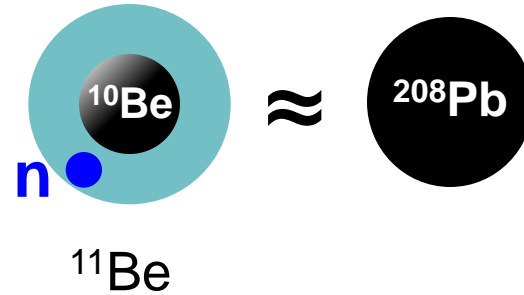


→ Search for new halo & understand the structure by Coulomb & Nuclear Breakup reactions

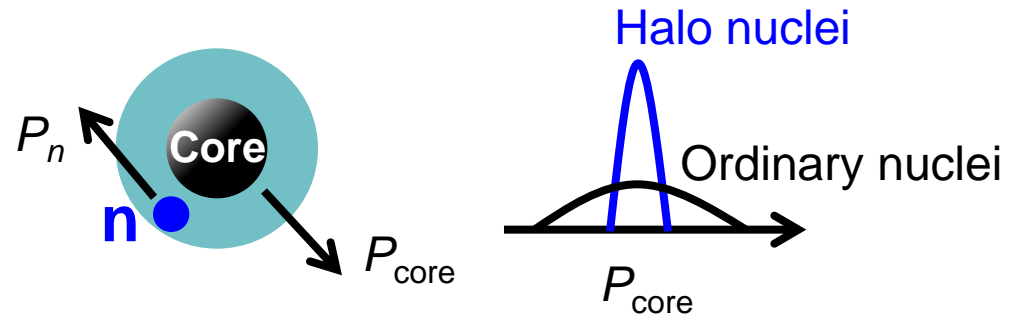
Characteristic features of Halo Nuclei (I)

Large radius

Spatially extended wave function
of a valence neutron
→ Large reaction cross section

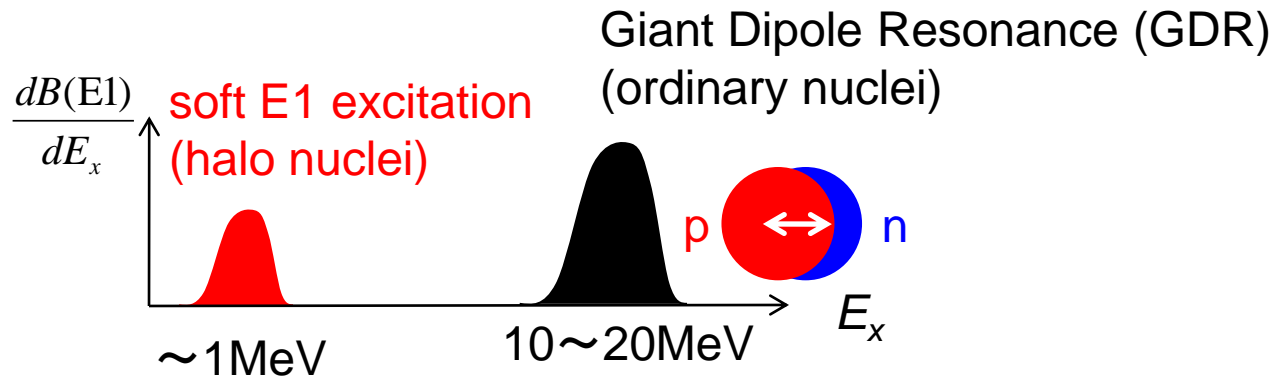
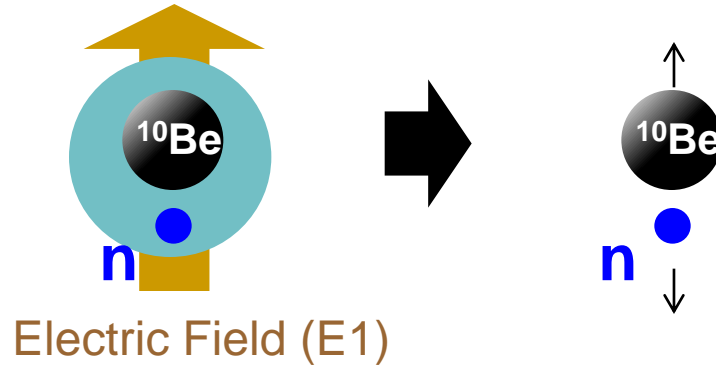


Narrow momentum
distribution of a core



Characteristic features of Halo Nuclei (2)

Large E1 (Electric dipole) strength



Conditions of halo formation

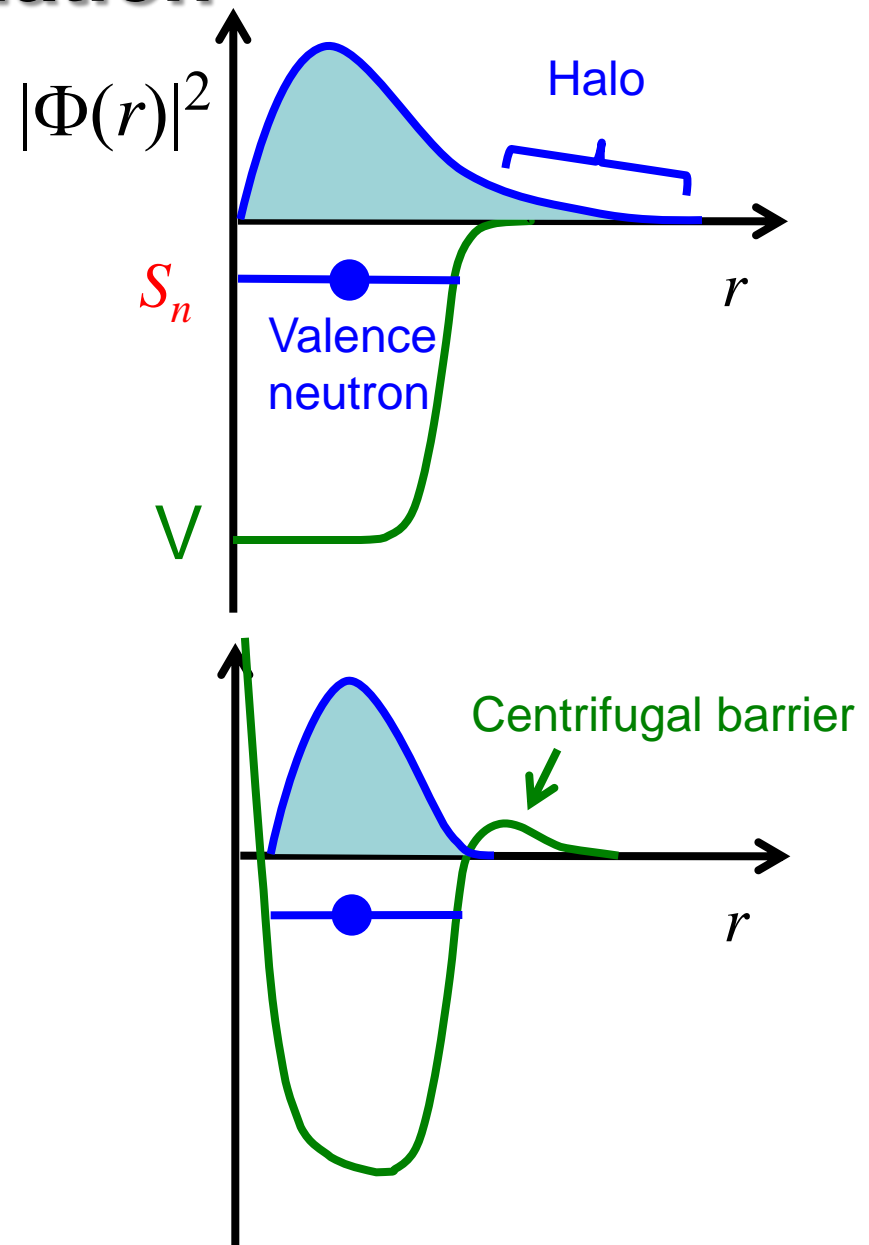
Low separation energy (S_n)

$S_n \lesssim 1 \text{ MeV} \ll 8 \text{ MeV}$
Ordinary nuclei

Low angular momentum (Low- ℓ)
of the valence neutron

$\ell = 0$: s-wave neutron } Halo
 $\ell = 1$: p-wave neutron }
 $\ell = 2$: d-wave neutron } No halo
 $\ell = 3$: f-wave neutron }
 $\ell \geq 4$ }

Determination of ℓ and S_n is crucial



(The r.m.s. radius diverges only for s- and p-wave at $S_n = 0 \text{ MeV}$)

Coulomb breakup -- Method to extract E1 strength

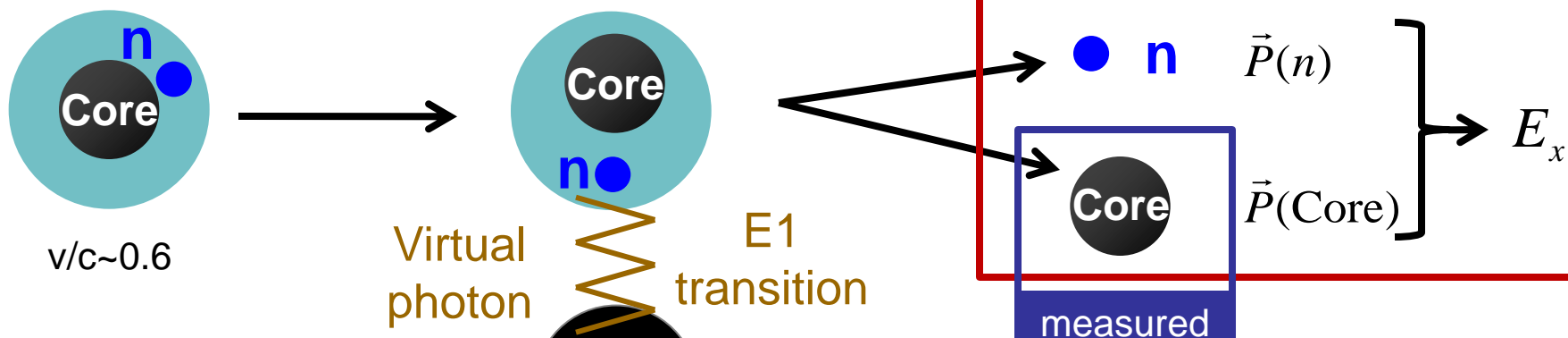
Exclusive Coulomb breakup

$$\frac{d\sigma(E1)}{dE_x} = \frac{16\pi^3}{9\hbar c} N_{E1}(E_x) \frac{dB(E1)}{dE_x}$$

measured
extracted

Required beam intensity
> ~ 100 cps

Invariant mass method



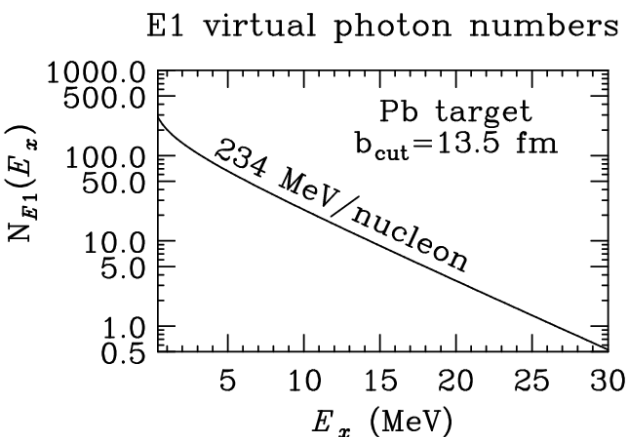
measured

Inclusive Coulomb breakup (this work)

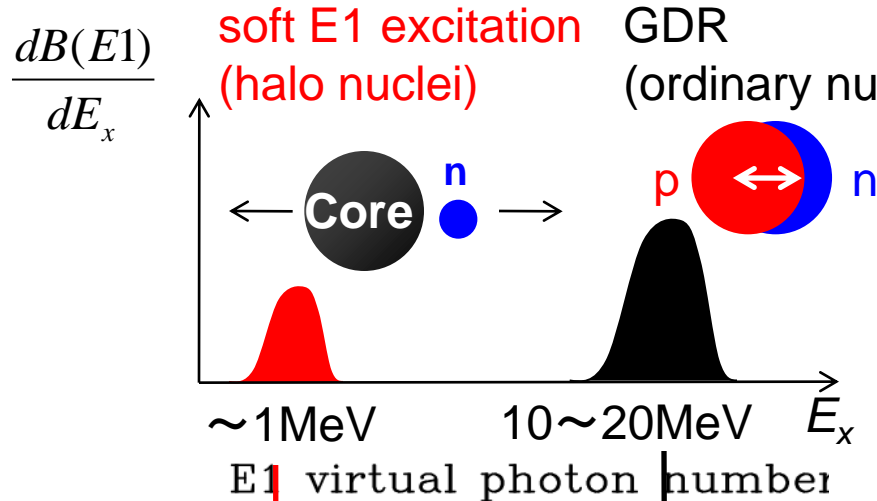
$$\sigma_{-1n}(E1) = \int_{S_{1n}}^{S_{2n}} \frac{16\pi^3}{9\hbar c} N_{E1}(E_x) \frac{dB(E1)}{dE_x} dE_x$$

measured

Feasible even with a few cps



Inclusive $\sigma_{-1n}(E1)$ of halo nuclei



Coulomb breakup cross section

$$\sigma_{-1n}(E1) = \int_{S_{1n}}^{S_{2n}} \frac{16\pi^3}{9\hbar c} N_{E1}(E_x) \frac{dB(E1)}{dE_x} dE_x$$

halo nuclei $\rightarrow \sigma_{-1n}(E1)$ is large
($\gtrsim 500$ mb)

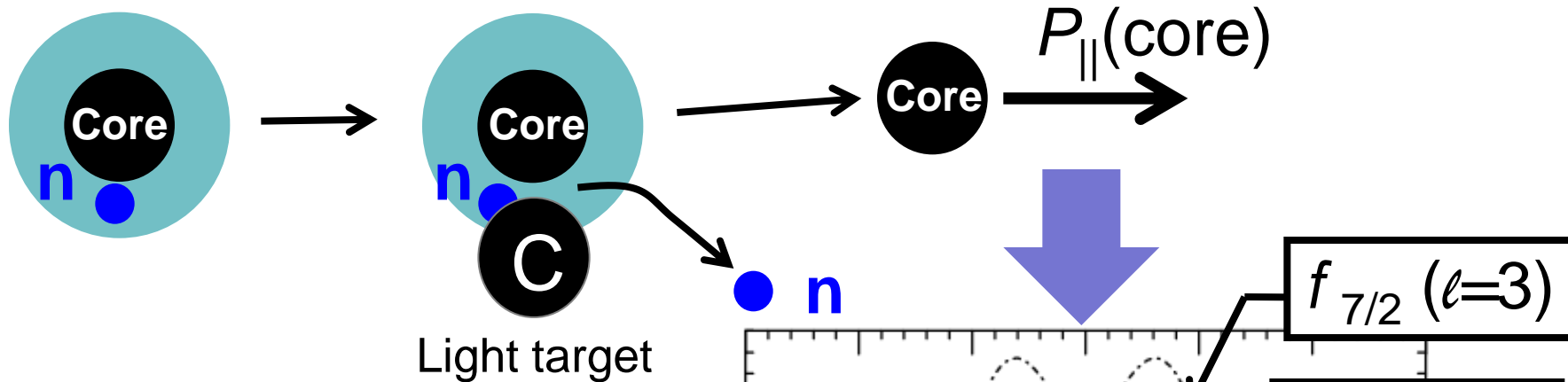
ordinary nuclei $\rightarrow \sigma_{-1n}(E1)$ is small
(≈ 100 mb)

Signature of halo structure
from Coulomb breakup

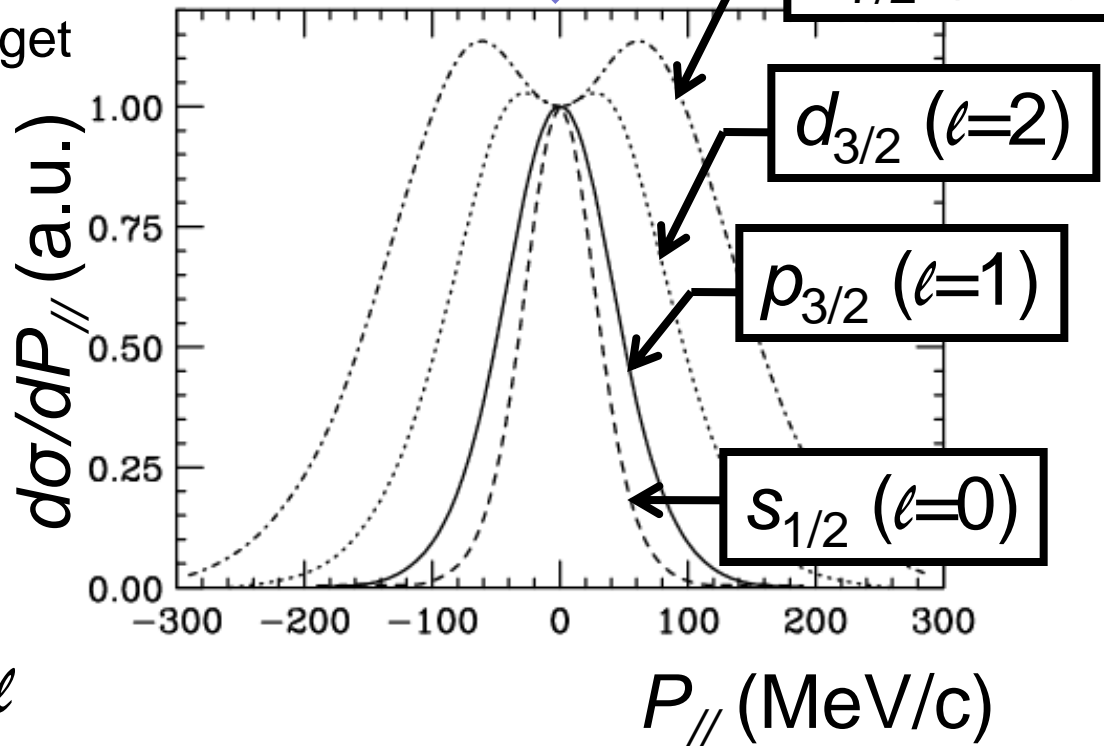
$$N_{E1}(E_x) \times \frac{dB(E1)}{dE_x}$$

$P_{//}$ distribution for nuclear breakup

-- Method to extract the valence neutron orbital ℓ



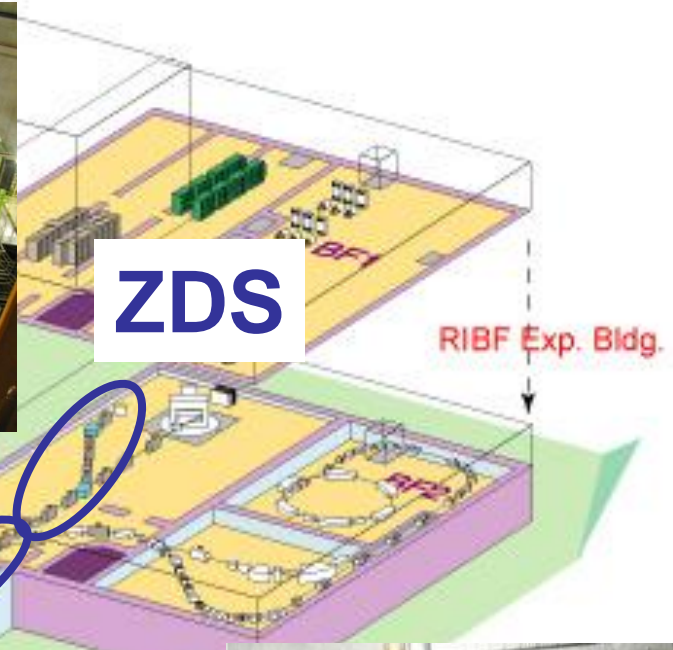
$$|\text{Proj.}\rangle = |\text{Core} \otimes \varphi_{n\ell j}\rangle$$



$P_{//}$ distribution

→ Angular momentum ℓ
of the valence neutron

RI Beam Factory @ RIKEN



RARF

ZDS

RIBF Exp. Bldg.

SRC

Primary Beam: ^{48}Ca
345 MeV/u

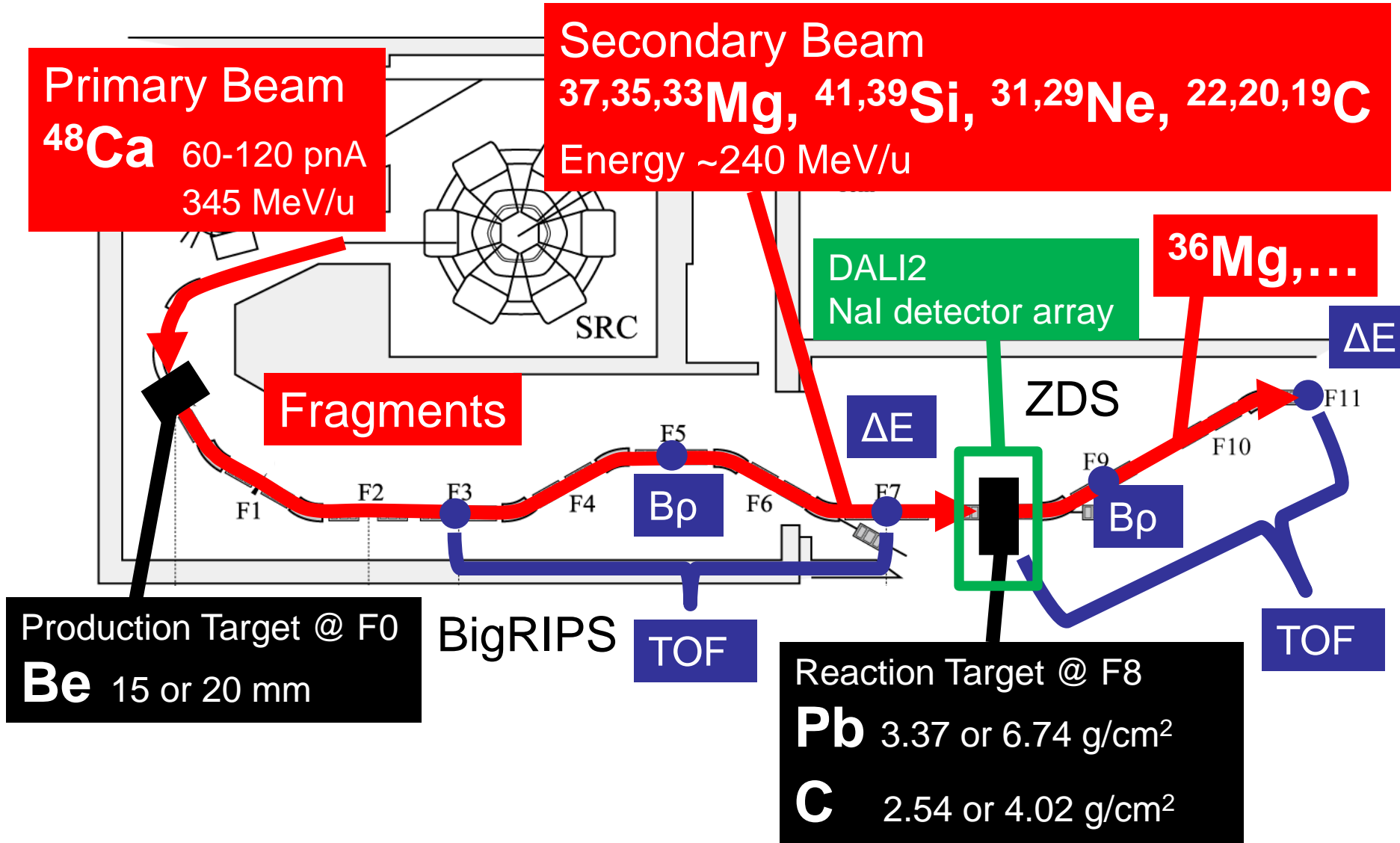
BigRIPS

Former facility

New facility RIBF
(RI Beam Factory)
Running from 2007



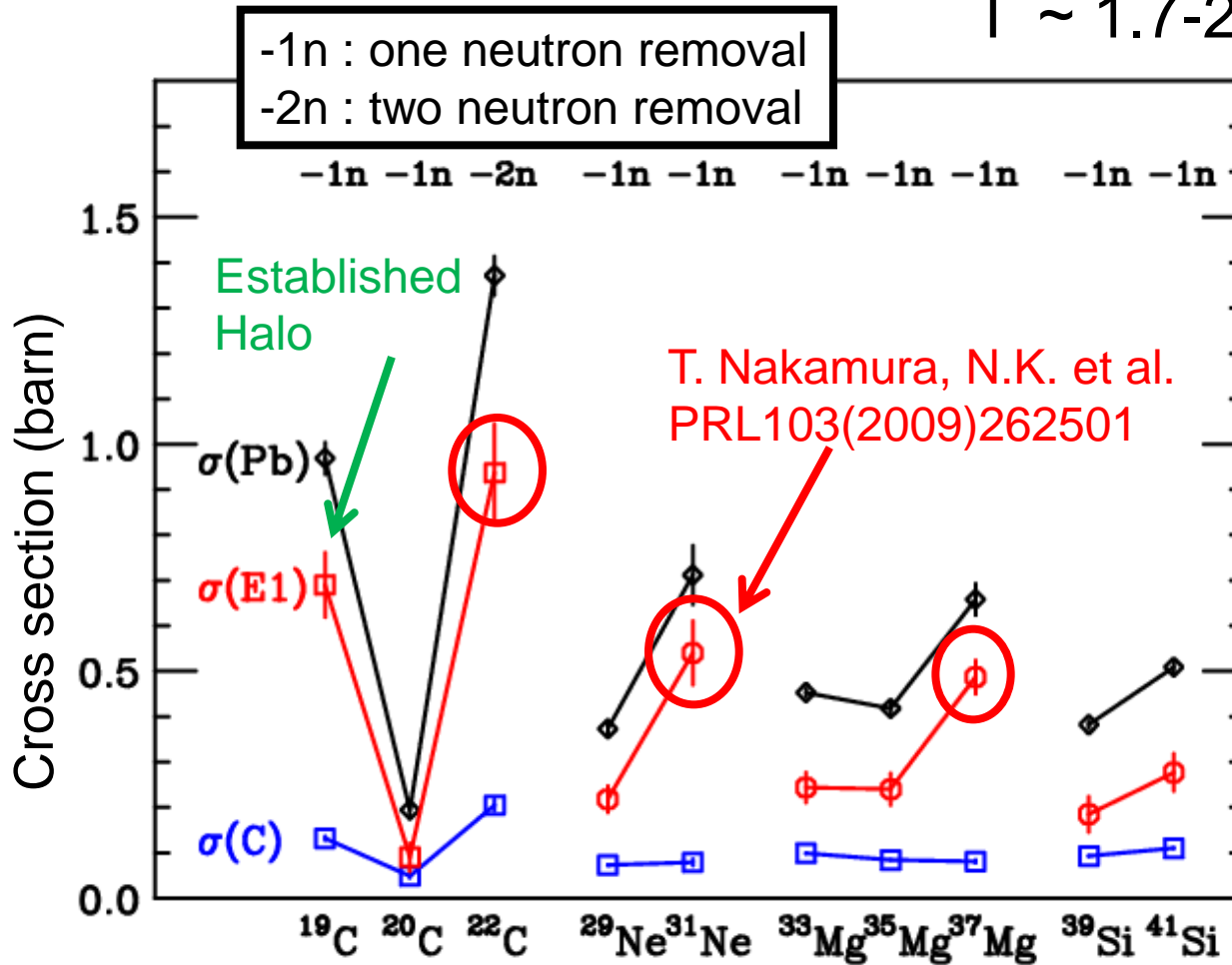
Experimental setup



Results

$$\sigma(E1) = \sigma(\text{Pb}) - \Gamma\sigma(\text{C})$$

$$\Gamma \sim 1.7-2.6$$

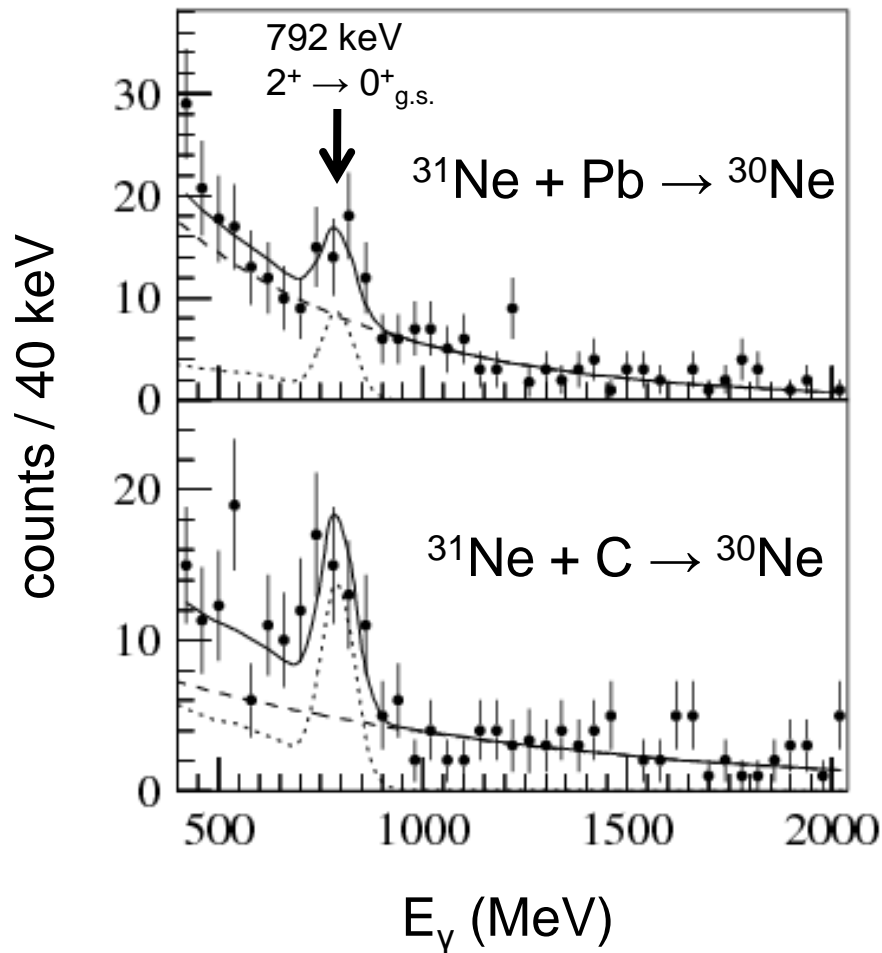


Large $\sigma(E1)$ of ^{22}C , ^{31}Ne , and $^{37}\text{Mg} \rightarrow$ halo structure

^{22}C total reaction cross section : K. Tanaka et al. PRL104(2010)062701

^{31}Ne total reaction cross section : M. Takechi et al. PLB707(2012)357

Partial cross sections $^{31}\text{Ne} \rightarrow ^{30}\text{Ne}(0^+_{\text{g.s.}})$



Fitted with a response function (GEANT4)
+ an exponential background

Y. Yanagisawa *et al.*, PLB **232566**, 84 (2003)

Inclusive $\sigma_{-1n}(E1) = ()$ mb
 $\sigma_{-1n}(E1; 2^+, 4^+, \text{etc.}) = ()$ mb
 $\rightarrow \sigma_{-1n}(E1; 0^+_{\text{g.s.}}) = ()$ mb

$0^+_{\text{g.s.}} / \text{Inclusive} = 85\%$

Inclusive $\sigma_{-1n}(C) = ()$ mb
 $\sigma_{-1n}(C; 2^+, 4^+, \text{etc.}) = ()$ mb
 $\rightarrow \sigma_{-1n}(C; 0^+_{\text{g.s.}}) = ()$ mb

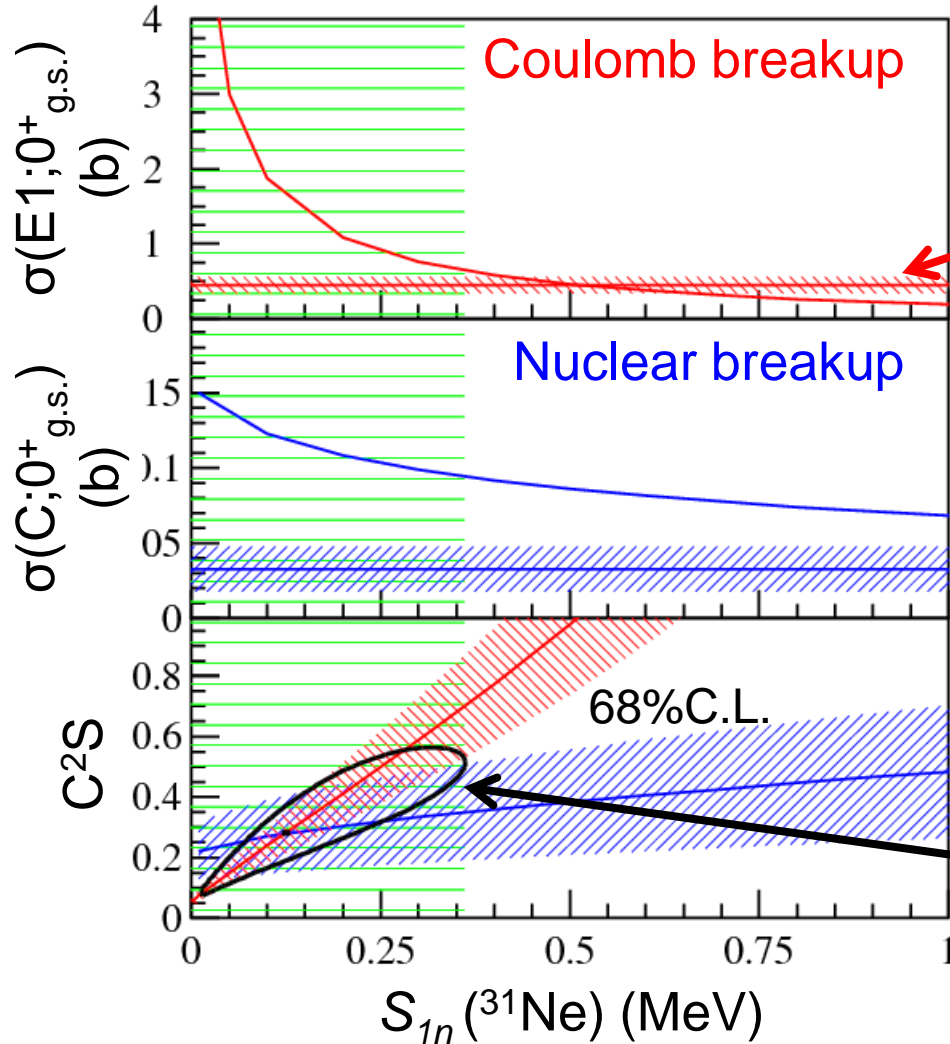
$0^+_{\text{g.s.}} / \text{Inclusive} = 37\%$

$|^{30}\text{Ne}(0^+_{\text{g.s.}}) \otimes \varphi_{nlj}\rangle$ in $^{31}\text{Ne}_{\text{g.s.}}$
 Only one s. p. orbital can
 couple to $^{30}\text{Ne}(0^+_{\text{g.s.}})$
 theo. & exp. $\sigma_{-1n}(0^+_{\text{g.s.}})$
 $\rightarrow C^2S$ of s. p. orbital and S_n

Combined analysis

-- Estimation of C^2S & S_{1n} of ^{31}Ne $S_{1n}(^{31}\text{Ne}) = -0.06(0.42)$ MeV

Channel: $^{31}\text{Ne}(3/2^-) \rightarrow ^{30}\text{Ne}(0^+_{\text{g.s.}}) + 2p_{3/2}$



Exp. $\sigma_{-1n}(E1; 0^+_{\text{g.s.}}) = ()$ mb

Theoretical calc. for
 $|^{31}\text{Ne}_{\text{g.s.}}\rangle = |^{30}\text{Ne}(0^+_{\text{g.s.}}) \otimes p_{3/2}\rangle$
 $(C^2S = 1)$

Exp. $\sigma_{-1n}(C; 0^+_{\text{g.s.}}) = ()$ mb

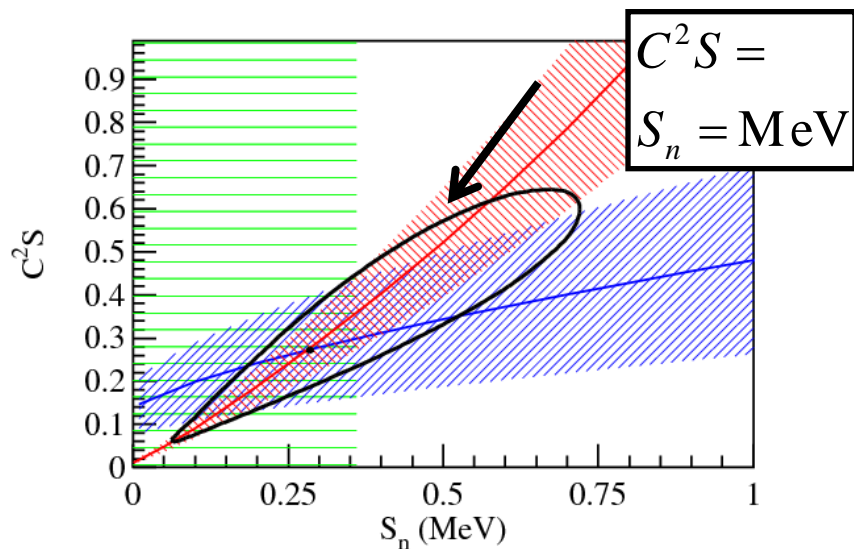
C^2S of $|^{30}\text{Ne}(0^+) \otimes p_{3/2}\rangle$ in $|^{31}\text{Ne}_{\text{g.s.}}\rangle$
 $= \text{Exp.} / \text{Theo.}(C^2S=1)$

For $p_{3/2}$

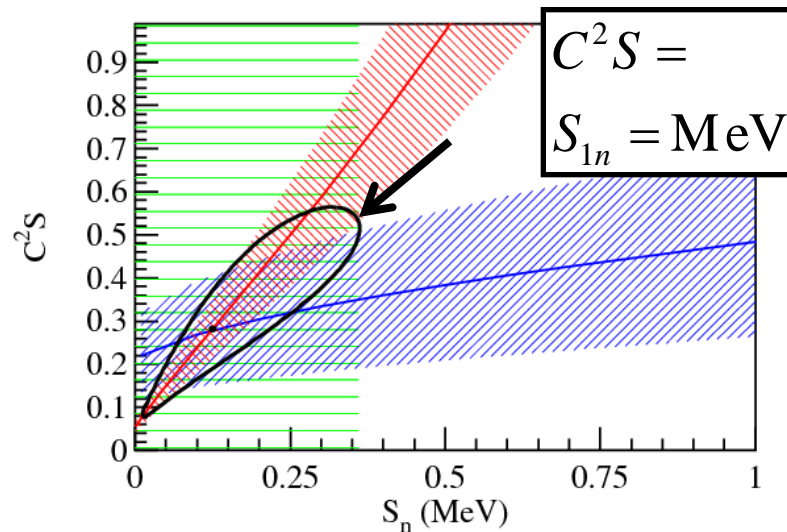
$C^2S =$
$S_{1n} = \text{MeV}$

All possible configurations

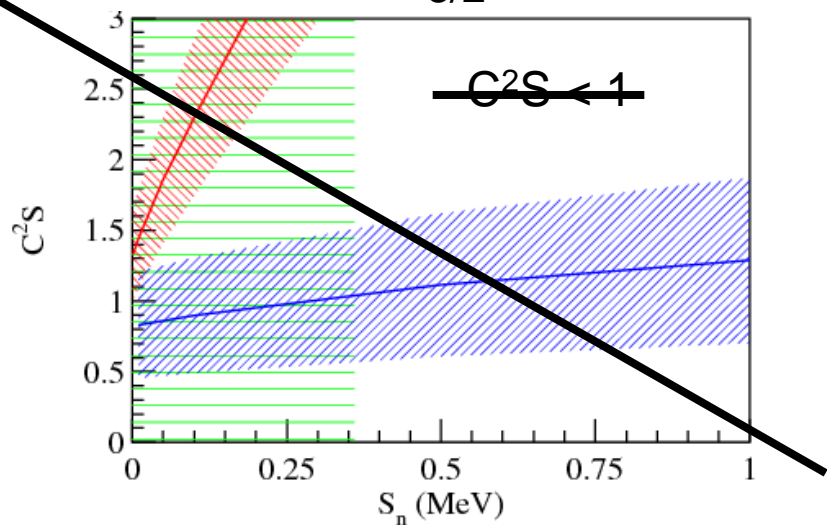
$$|^{30}\text{Ne}(0^+) \otimes 2s_{1/2}\rangle \quad J^\pi = 1/2^+$$



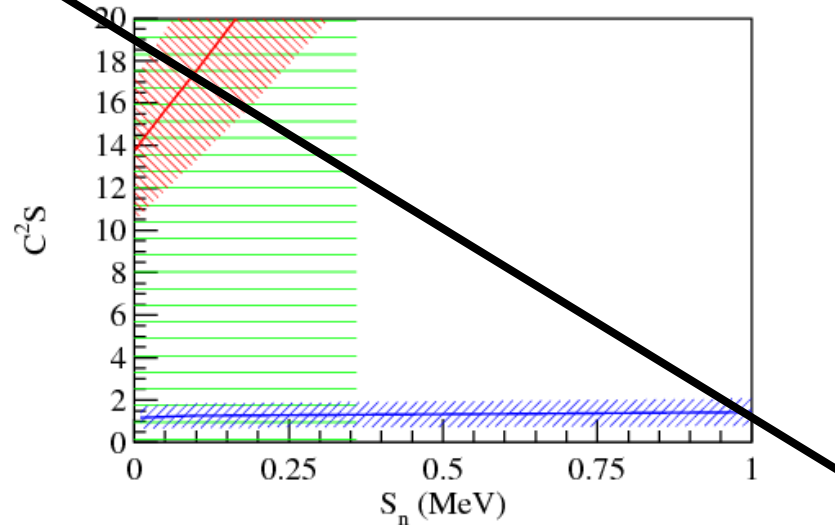
$$|^{30}\text{Ne}(0^+) \otimes 2p_{3/2}\rangle \quad J^\pi = 3/2^-$$



$$|^{30}\text{Ne}(0^+) \otimes 1d_{3/2}\rangle \quad J^\pi = 3/2^+$$



$$|^{30}\text{Ne}(0^+) \otimes 1f_{7/2}\rangle \quad J^\pi = 7/2^-$$



Inclusive momentum distribution of ^{30}Ne fragment (C target)

Shell Model w/ SDPF-M for $J^\pi = 3/2^-_{\text{g.s.}}$

Lines : eikonal model

State	C ² S	$\sigma(\text{mb})$
$ ^{30}\text{Ne} \otimes s\rangle$	0.09	3.0
$ ^{30}\text{Ne} \otimes p\rangle$	0.55	46
$ ^{30}\text{Ne} \otimes d\rangle$	1.33	26
$ ^{30}\text{Ne} \otimes f\rangle$	0.80	19
	total Exp.	93 mb () mb

sum

State	C ² S
$ ^{30}\text{Ne}(0^+_{\text{g.s.}}) \otimes 2p_{3/2}\rangle$	0.21
$ ^{30}\text{Ne}(2^+_1) \otimes 2p_{3/2}\rangle$	0.27

→ Combined analysis:

$^{31}\text{Ne}_{\text{g.s.}}(3/2^-)$ is supported

Inclusive momentum distribution of ^{30}Ne fragment (C target)

Shell Model w/
SDPF-M for $J^\pi = 1/2^+$

↓

State	C ² S	$\sigma(\text{mb})$
$ ^{30}\text{Ne} \otimes s\rangle$	0.11	4.9
$ ^{30}\text{Ne} \otimes p\rangle$	0.25	9.6
$ ^{30}\text{Ne} \otimes d\rangle$	0.55	13
$ ^{30}\text{Ne} \otimes f\rangle$	1.1	24
	total	51 mb
	Exp.	() mb

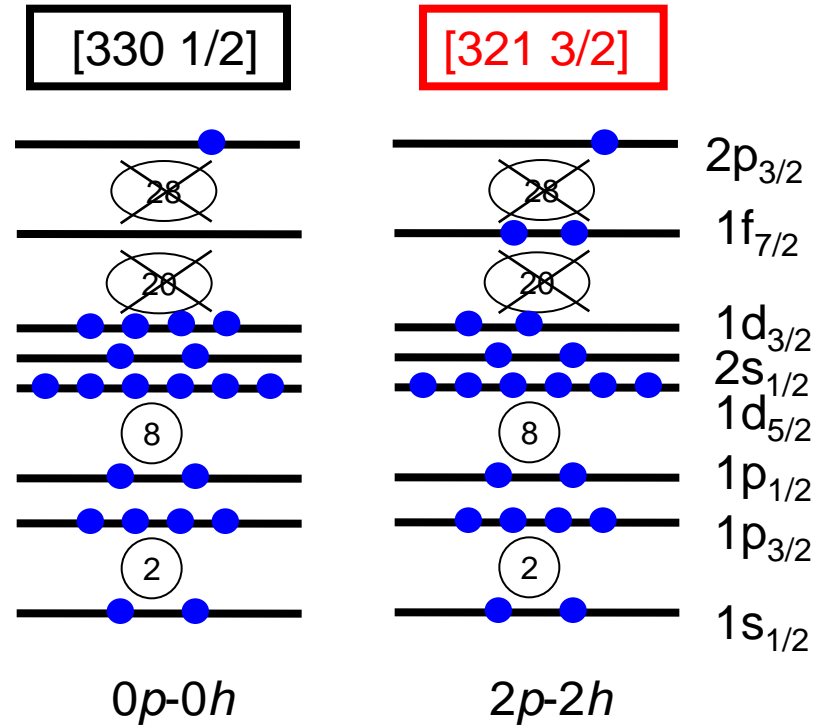
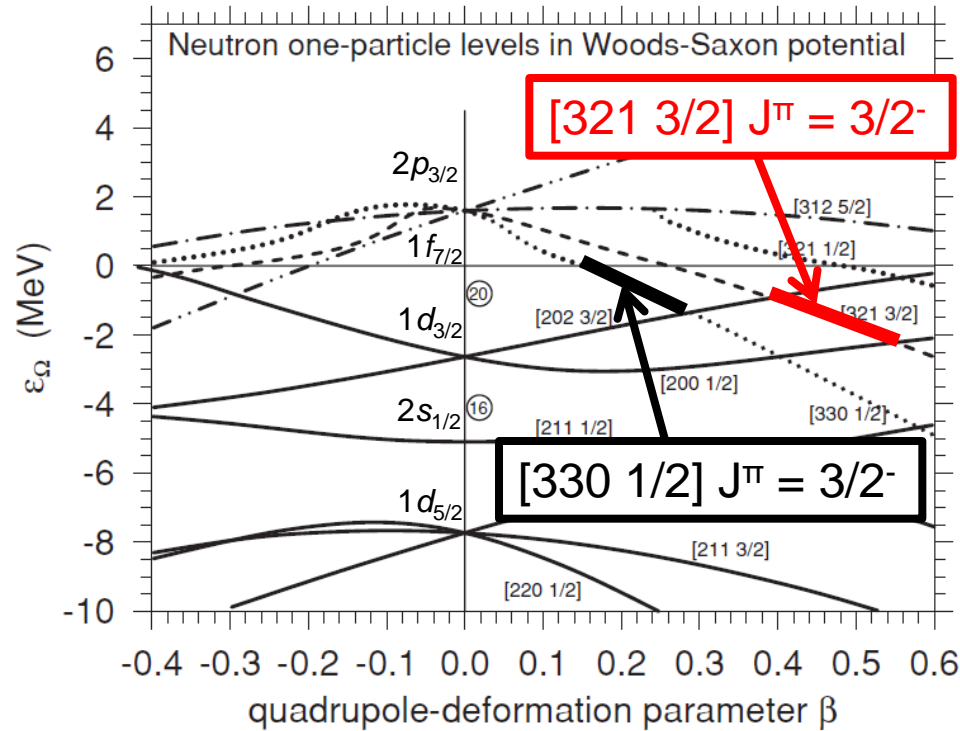
$^{31}\text{Ne}_{\text{g.s.}}(1/2^+)$ is rejected

$^{31}\text{Ne}_{\text{g.s.}} \rightarrow J^\pi = 3/2^-$

Deformation of $^{31}\text{Ne}(3/2^-)$

Nilsson diagram : single particle levels in deformed nucleus

$^{31}\text{Ne}(3/2^-)$ $N = 21$



$0.16 < \beta < 0.30$ or
 $0.40 < \beta < 0.58$

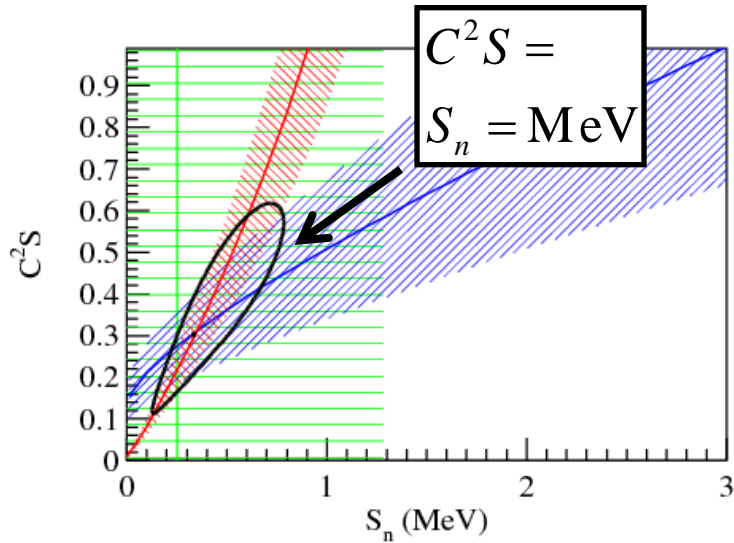
Prolate deformation of $^{31}\text{Ne}(3/2^-)$

Mixing of p and f orbitals
 p -wave neutron halo

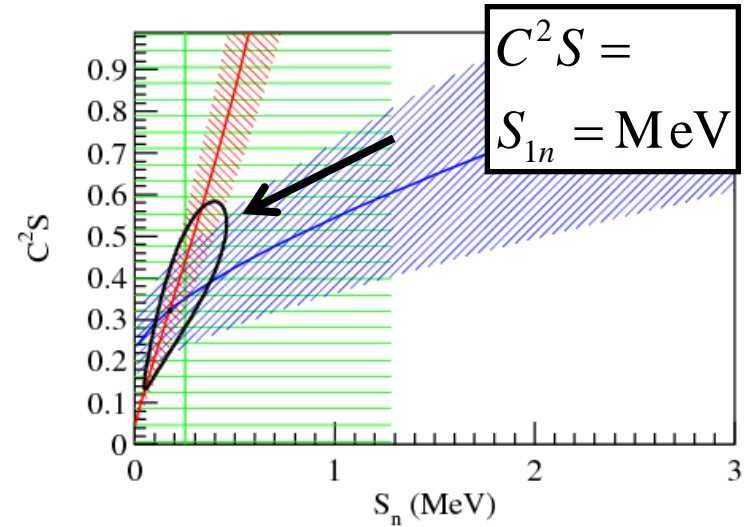
~~$N = 20, 28$ shell closer~~

All possible configurations (^{37}Mg)

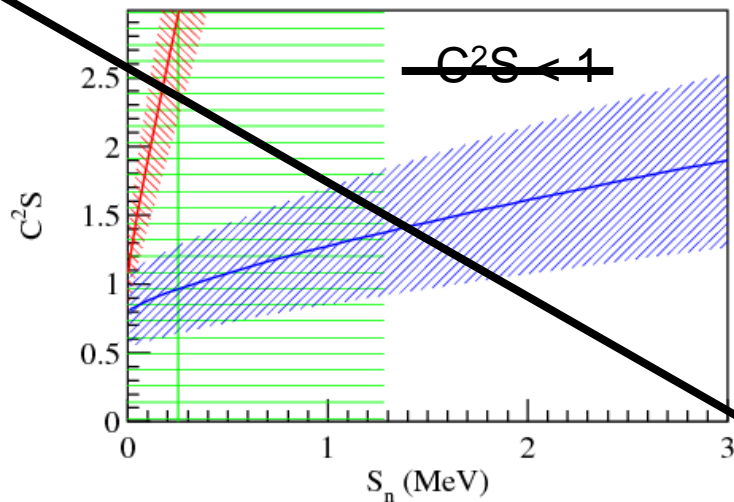
$$|^{36}\text{Mg}(0^+_{\text{g.s.}}) \otimes 2s_{1/2}\rangle$$



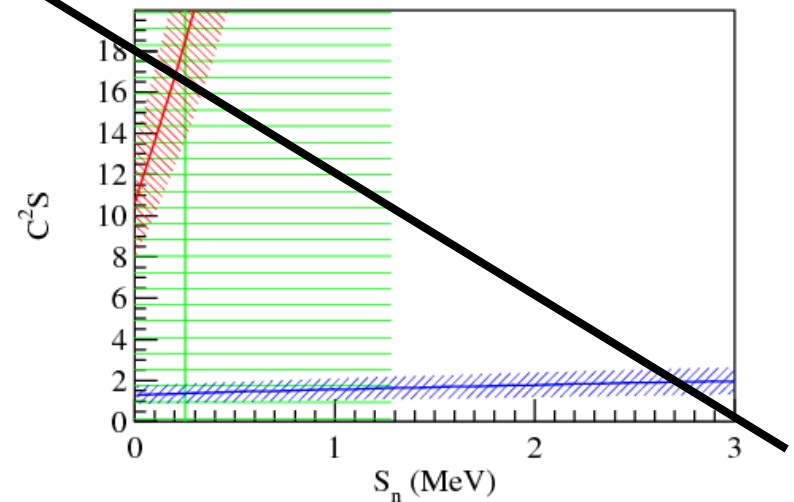
$$|^{36}\text{Mg}(0^+_{\text{g.s.}}) \otimes 2p_{3/2}\rangle$$



$$|^{36}\text{Mg}(0^+_{\text{g.s.}}) \otimes 1d_{3/2}\rangle$$



$$|^{36}\text{Mg}(0^+_{\text{g.s.}}) \otimes 1f_{7/2}\rangle$$



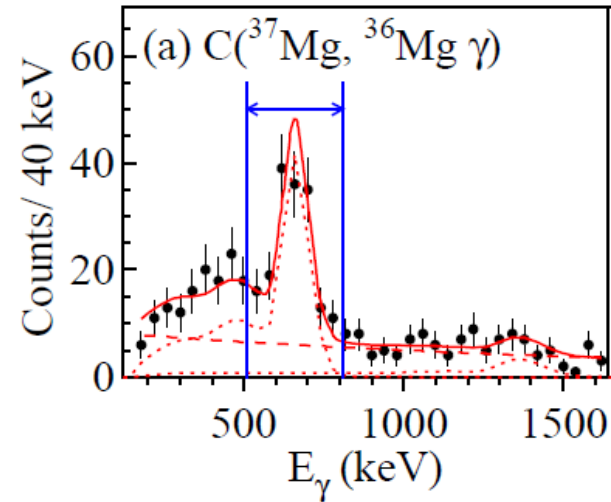
Inclusive momentum distribution of ^{36}Mg fragment (C target)

Shell Model w/ SDPF-M + $p_{1/2}$

large p -component

→ p -wave neutron halo

$^{37}\text{Mg}_{\text{g.s.}} \rightarrow J^\pi = 3/2^-$
($1/2^-$ is not rejected)

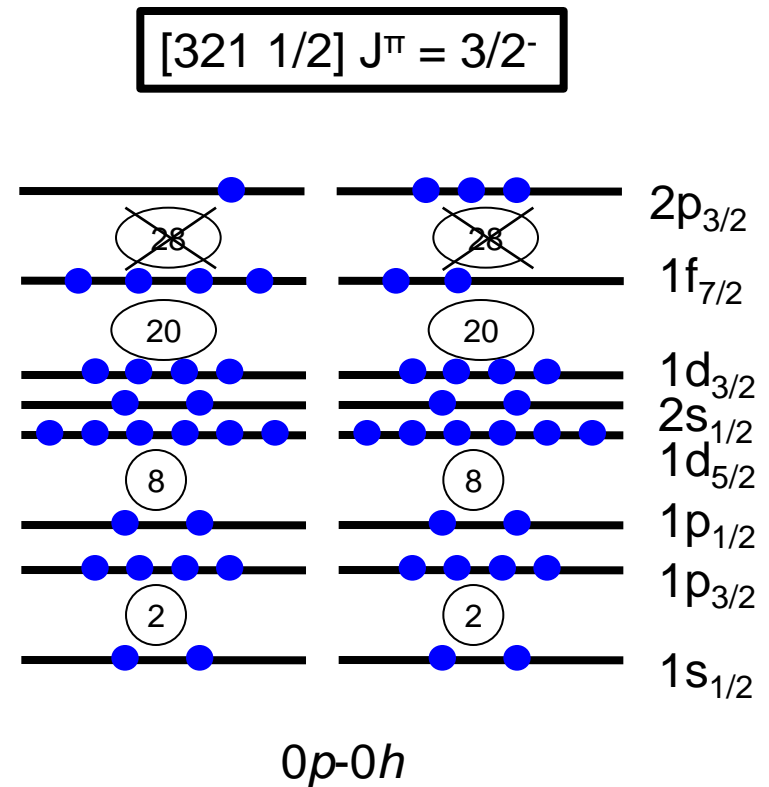
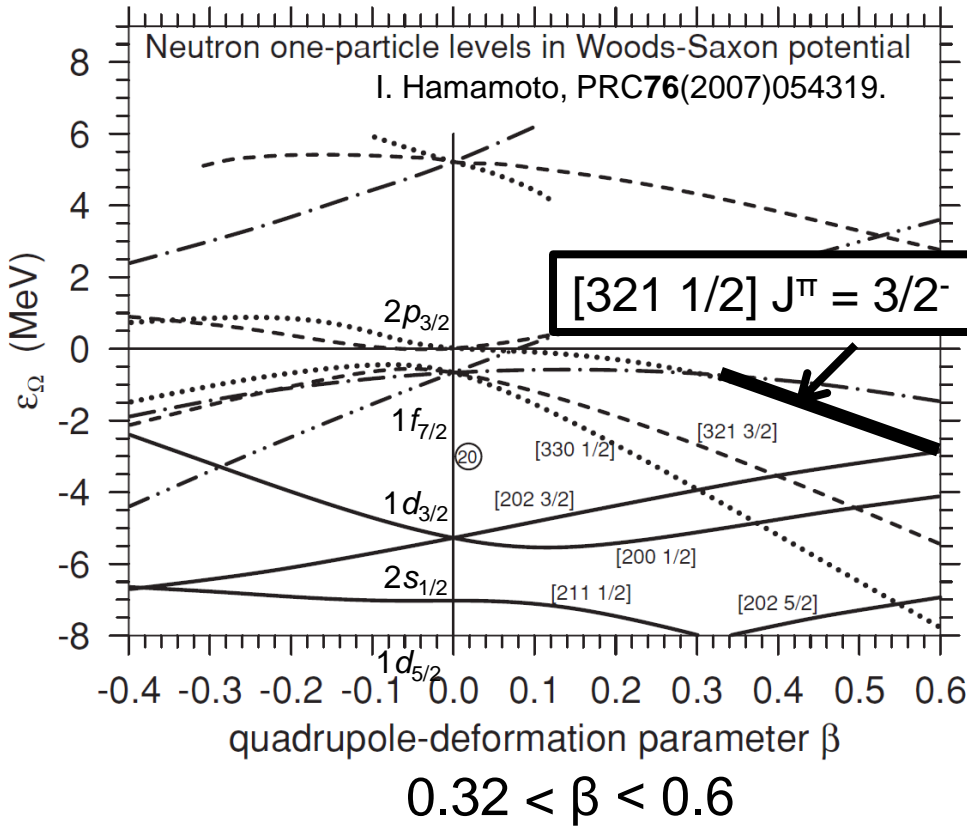


Inclusive

Populating excited states

Deformation of $^{37}\text{Mg}(3/2^-)$

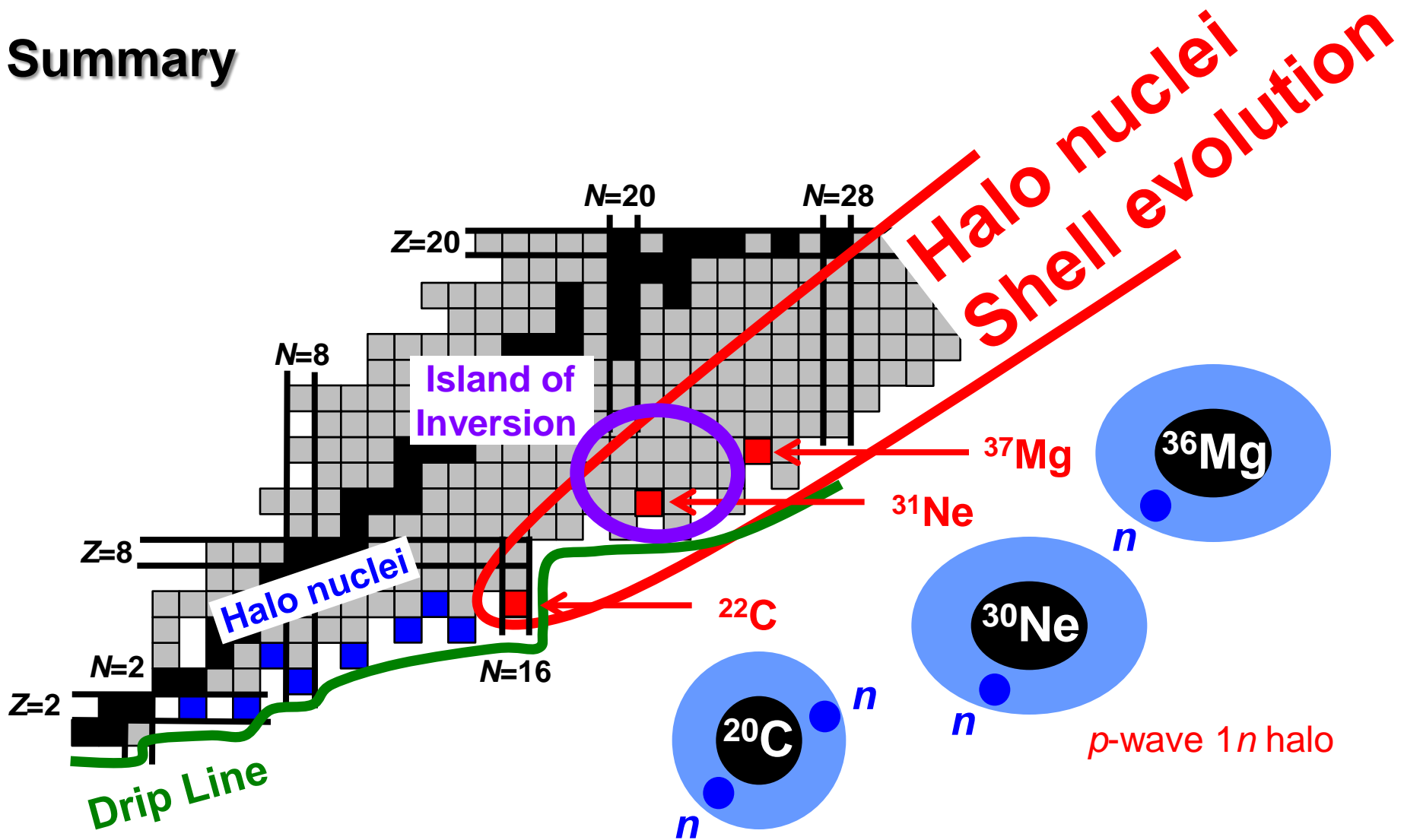
$^{37}\text{Mg}(3/2^-)$ N = 25



Prolate deformation in $^{37}\text{Mg}(3/2^-)$

~~N = 28 shell closer~~ **Deformed p-wave halo**

Summary



E1 strength on Pb
Momentum dist. on C

→ S_n , J^π , C^2S

→ p -wave neutron (deformed) halo nuclei & their structure

→ Halo nuclei can be common on the drip line

Thank you.

^{37}Mg , $N = 25$, SDPF-M

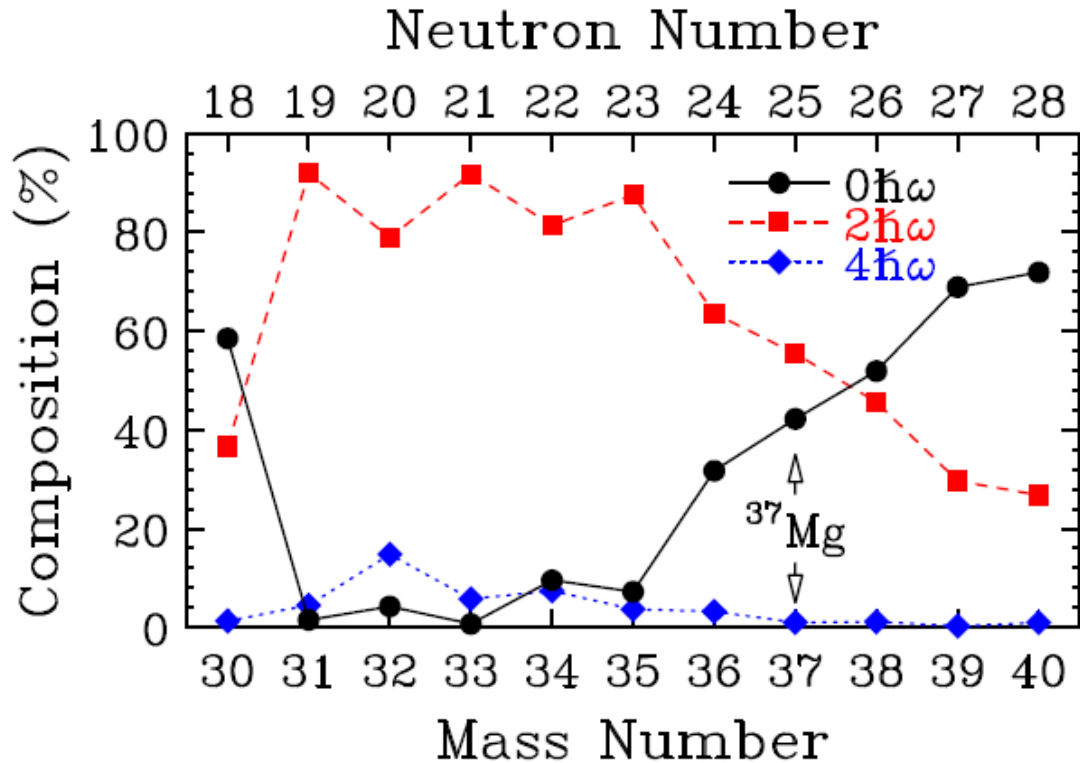
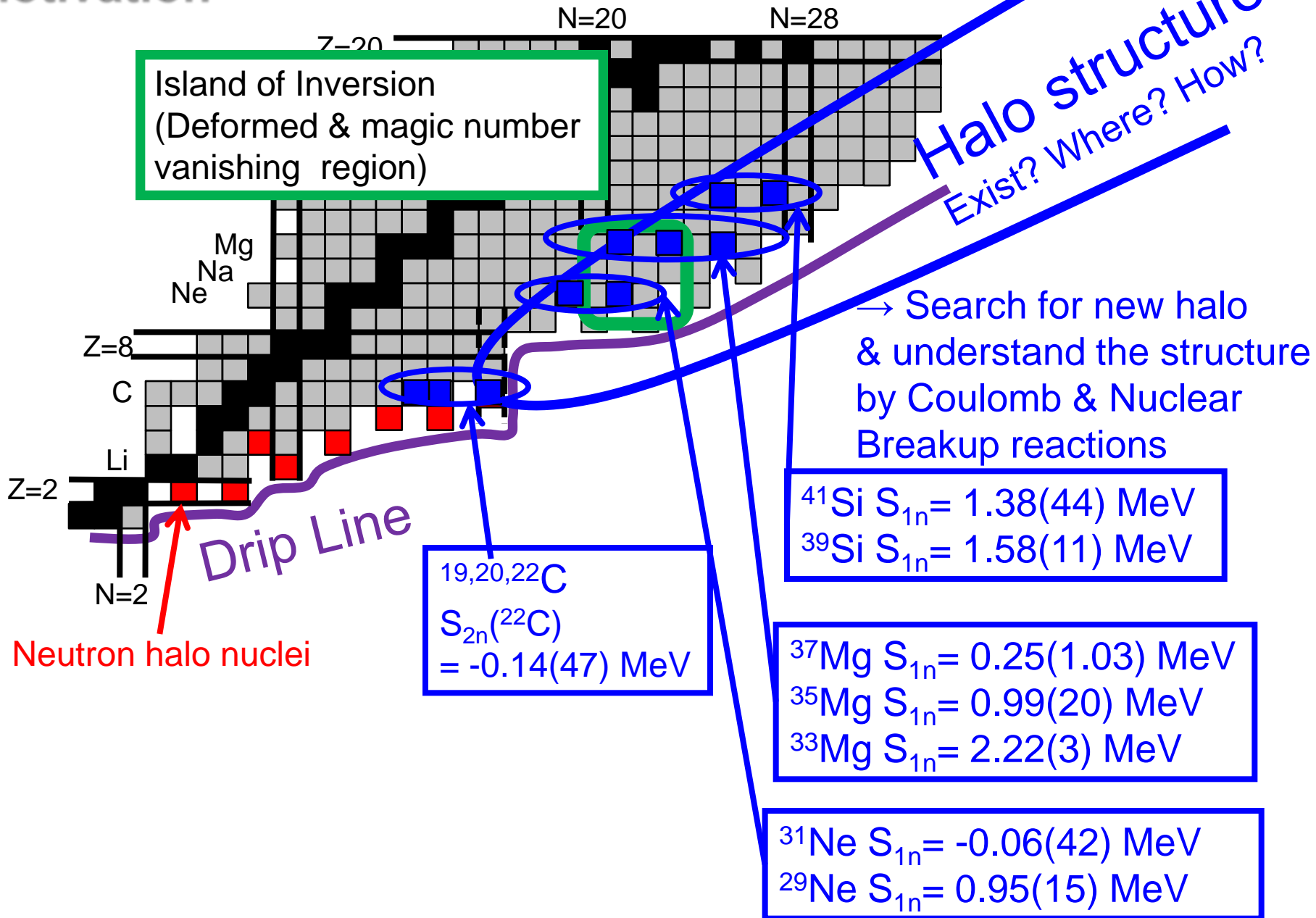


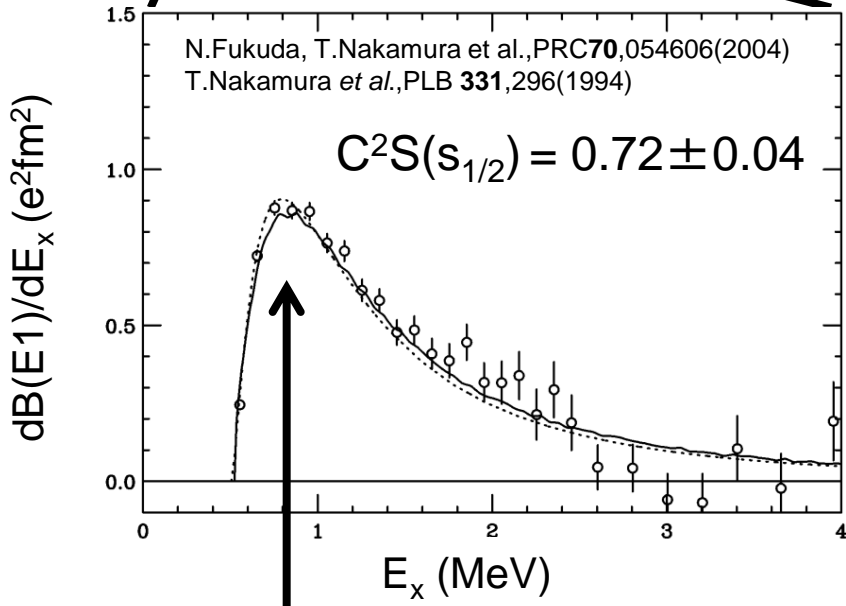
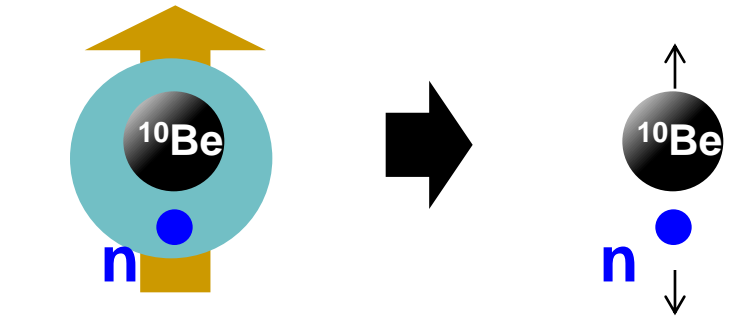
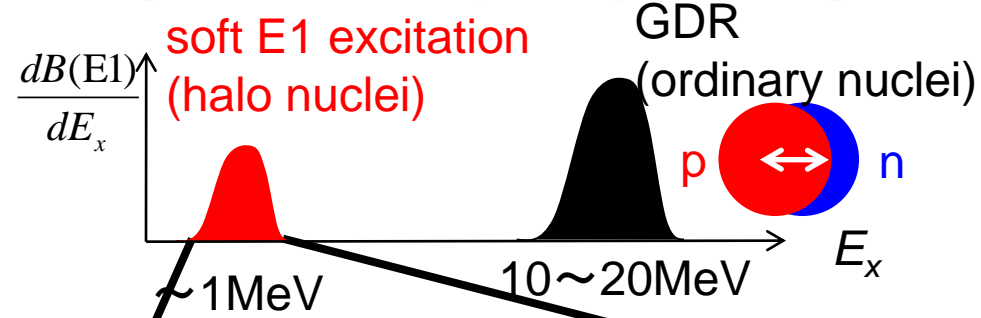
FIG. 4: (color online). Percentage compositions of $0\hbar\omega$ (black circles), $2\hbar\omega$ (red squares), and $4\hbar\omega$ (blue diamonds) configurations in the ground states of the Mg isotopes from large-scale shell-model calculations with the SDPF-M effective interaction [35].

Motivation



Characteristic features of Halo Nuclei (2)

E1 (Electric dipole) strength of 1n halo nucleus (¹¹Be)



$$\frac{dB(E1)}{dE_x} \propto \left| \left\langle \exp(i\mathbf{q}\mathbf{r}) \left| \frac{Z}{A} r Y_1^m \right| \Phi_{gs} \right\rangle \right|^2 \propto C^2S(s_{1/2})$$

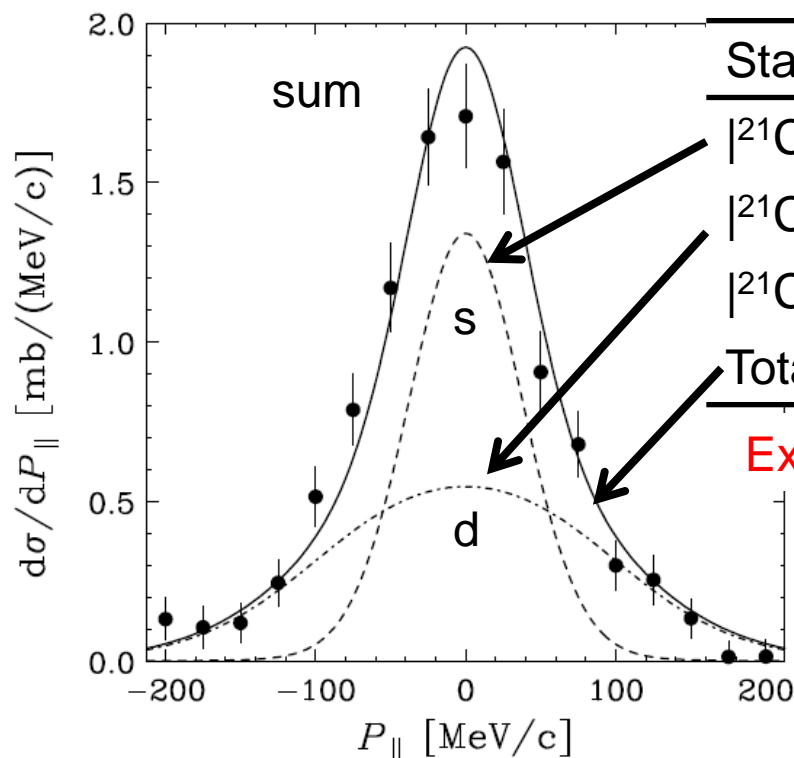
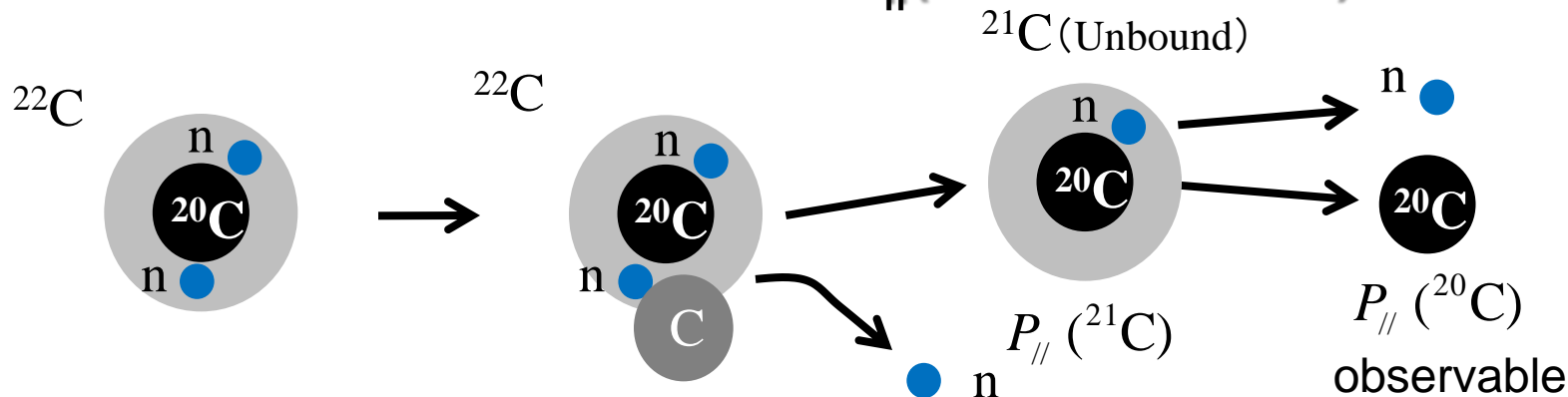
$$|\Phi_{gs}\rangle = \sqrt{C^2S(s_{1/2})} |^{10}\text{Be} \otimes s_{1/2}\rangle + \sqrt{C^2S(d_{5/2})} |^{10}\text{Be} \otimes d_{5/2}\rangle + \dots$$

Halo state

$$E_x(\text{peak}) = \frac{8}{5} S_n \Rightarrow S_n = 504 \text{ keV}$$

Spectroscopic factor (C^2S) & S_n can be extracted

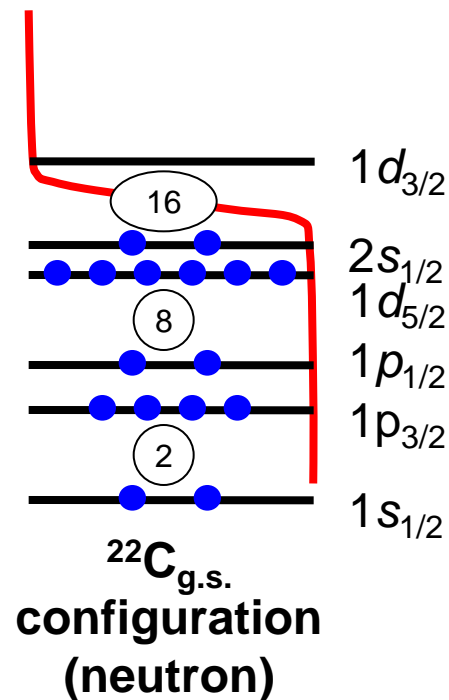
Momentum distribution $d\sigma/dP_{\parallel}({}^{22}\text{C} + \text{C} \rightarrow {}^{20}\text{C})$



State	C ² S	σ (mb)
$ {}^{21}\text{C} \otimes 2s_{3/2}\rangle$	1.403	137.55
$ {}^{21}\text{C} \otimes 1d_{5/2}\rangle$	4.212	135.87
$ {}^{21}\text{C} \otimes 1d_{3/2}\rangle$	0.342	9.55
Total		283.0

Exp. value 266(19)

Eikonal calculation
 C²S : Shell Model (WBP)
psd model space
 Normalized to 266mb

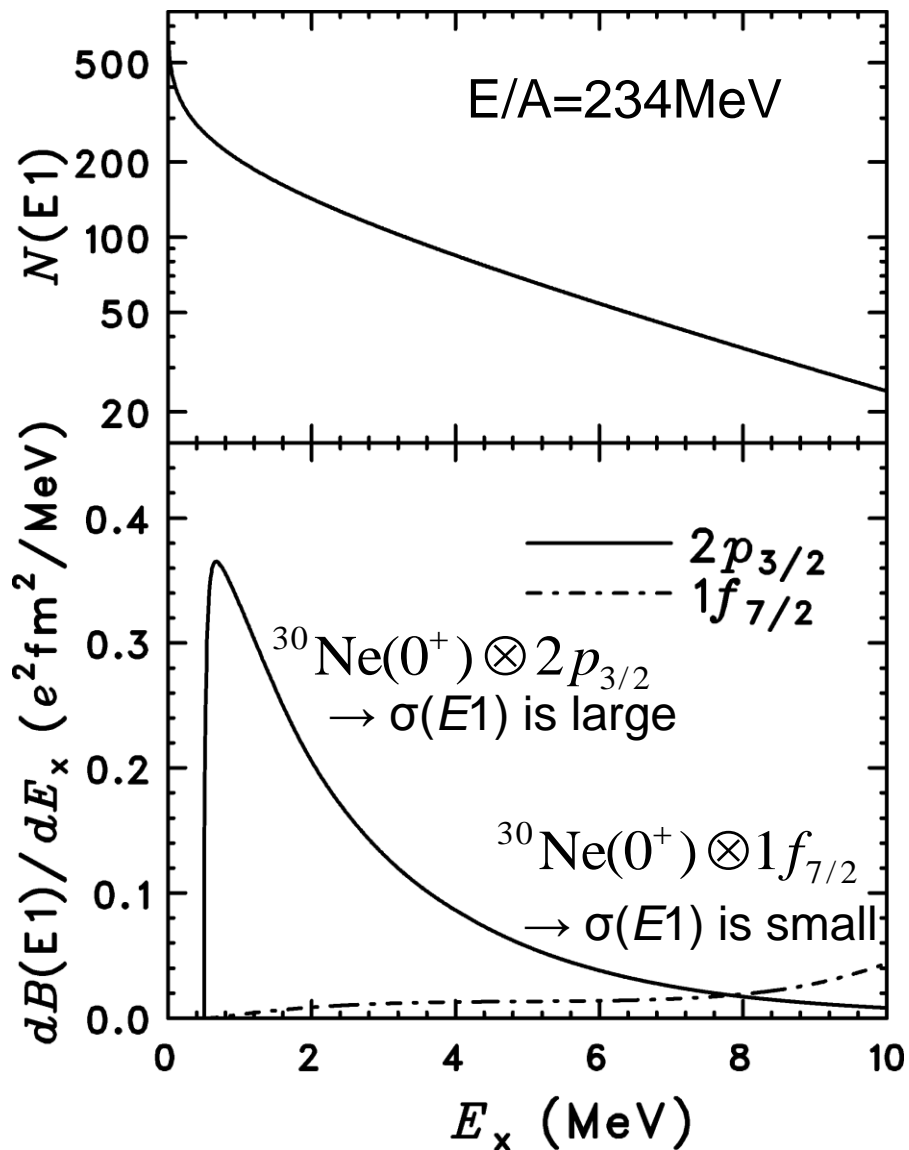


Resolution(1σ) = 27 MeV/c
 FWHM = 76(8) MeV/c

Conventional 2n halo



Calculation of the cross section for ^{31}Ne



Simple direct breakup mechanism

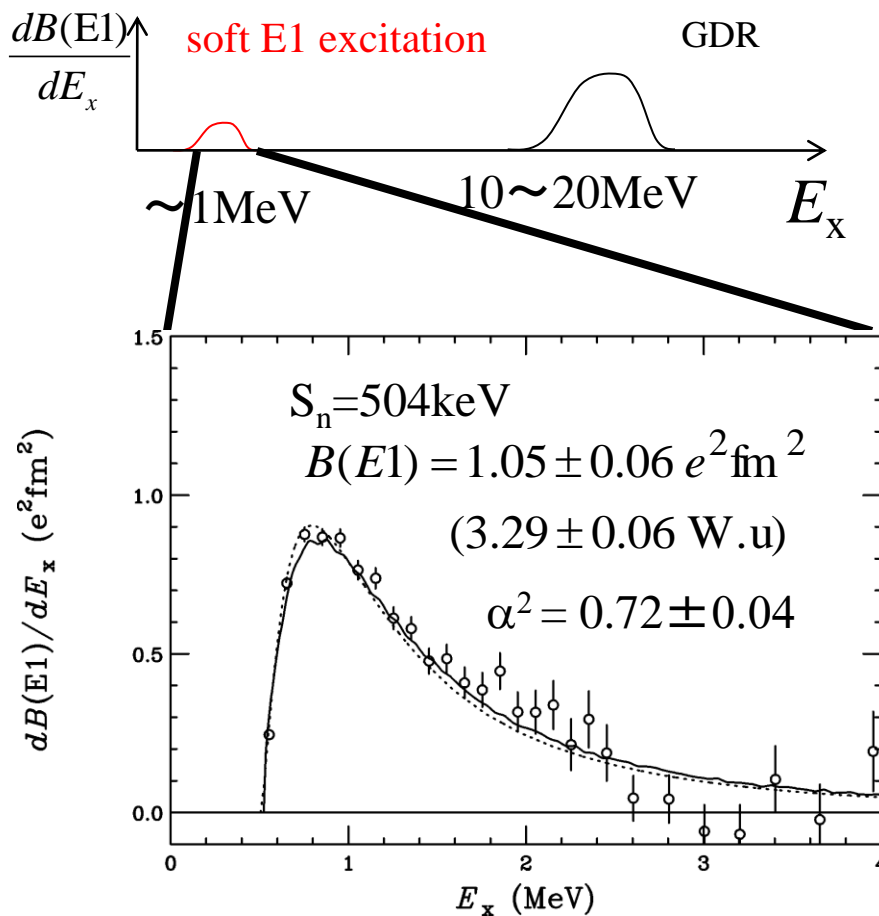
$$\sigma(E1) = \int_{E_{th}}^{\infty} \frac{16\pi^3}{9\hbar c} N_{E1}(E_x) \frac{dB(E1)}{dE_x} dE_x$$

$$\frac{dB(E1)}{dE_x} = \left| \left\langle \mathbf{q} \left| \frac{Ze}{A} r Y_1^m \right| \Phi_{gs} \right\rangle \right|^2$$

$$= \sum C^2 S \left| \left\langle \Phi_f \left| \frac{Ze}{A} r Y_1^m \right| \varphi_{nlj} \right\rangle \right|^2$$



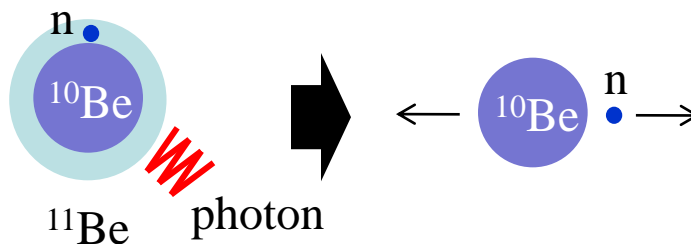
Introduction E1 strength of one neutron halo (^{11}Be)



N.Fukuda, T.Nakamura et al., PRC70,054606(2004)

T.Nakamura et al., PLB 331,296(1994)

Direct breakup mechanism



$$\frac{dB(E1)}{dE_x} \propto \left| \left\langle \exp(i\mathbf{q}\mathbf{r}) \left| \frac{Z}{A} r Y_1^m \right| \Phi_{gs} \right\rangle \right|^2$$

$$|\Phi_{gs}\rangle = \alpha |^{10}\text{Be} \otimes \nu 2s_{1/2}\rangle + \beta |^{10}\text{Be} \otimes \nu 1d_{5/2}\rangle + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow J^\pi = 1/2^+$$

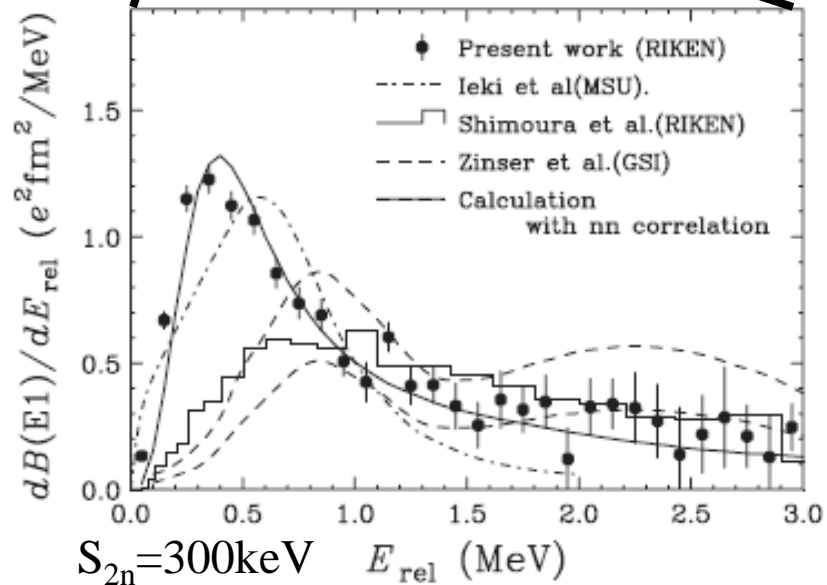
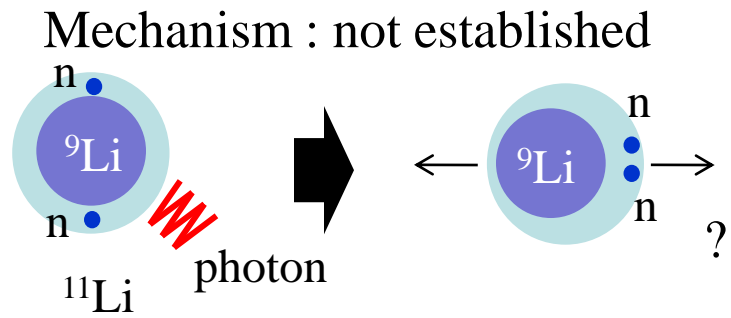
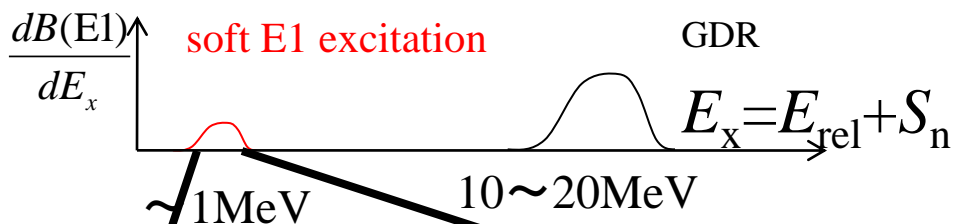
$$E_x(\text{peak}) = \frac{8}{5} S_n \quad (s \rightarrow p)$$

$$\Rightarrow S_n = 504 \text{ keV}$$

configuration & S_n of $|\Phi_{gs}\rangle$ can be extracted



Introduction E1 strength of two neutron halo (^{11}Li)



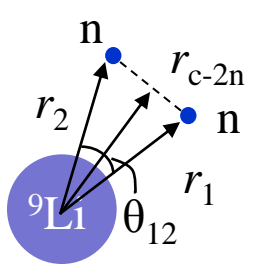
$$B(E1) = 1.42 \pm 0.18 e^2 \text{ fm}^2 (E_{\text{rel}} \leq 3 \text{ MeV})$$

$$= 4.5(6) \text{ W.u}$$

T.Nakamura *et al.*, PRL **96**, 252502 (2006)

Non-energy-weighted E1 Cluster Sum Rule

$$B(E1) = \int_0^\infty \frac{dB(E1)}{dE_x} dE_x$$



$$= \frac{3}{4\pi} \left(\frac{Ze}{A} \right)^2 \langle r_1^2 + r_2^2 + 2r_1 r_2 \cos \theta_{12} \rangle$$

$$= \frac{3}{\pi} \left(\frac{Ze}{A} \right)^2 \langle r_{c-2n}^2 \rangle$$

H. Esbensen *et al.*,
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310 (1992).

$$\rightarrow \sqrt{\langle r_{c-2n} \rangle^2} = 5.01 \pm 0.32 \text{ fm}$$

$$\langle \theta_{12} \rangle = 48_{-18}^{+14} \text{ deg (noncorrelation : 90 deg)}$$

$\sqrt{\langle r_{c-2n} \rangle^2}$ & $\langle \theta_{12} \rangle$ can be extracted

Calculation of Gamma factor

(basically, ratio of radius of lead nucleus to that of carbon nucleus)

$$R \propto A^{1/3}$$

$R(\text{Pb})$: radius of lead nucleus

$$\Gamma_{\max} = \frac{R(\text{Pb})}{R(\text{C})} = 2.6$$

$$\Gamma_{\min} = \frac{R(\text{Pb}) + R(^{37}\text{Mg})}{R(\text{C}) + R(^{37}\text{Mg})} = 1.7$$

$$\Gamma = \frac{\Gamma_{\max} + \Gamma_{\min}}{2} = \frac{2.6 + 1.7}{2} = 2.2$$

Extraction of one-neutron removal cross sections σ_{-1n}

$$\sigma_{-1n}^{\text{exp}} = \frac{N_{\text{fragment}}}{N_{\text{projectile}}} \frac{1}{N_t} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \sigma_{-1n}^{\text{exp}} = \frac{N_{\text{fragment}}}{N_{\text{projectile}}} \left(\frac{\sigma_R - \sigma'_R}{e^{-\sigma'_R N_t} - e^{-\sigma_R N_t}} \right)$$

Reaction loss
in the target

- $N_{\text{projectile}}$: the number of **projectile**
- N_{fragment} : the number of **fragments**
- N_t : the number of target nuclei per unit area
- σ_R : reaction cross section of **projectiles**
- σ'_R : reaction cross section of **fragments**

Previous thesis

σ_R : experimental values by this experiment
(large systematic & statistical errors)

This thesis

σ_R of Ne isotopes: M. Takechi et al., PLB707(2012)357.

σ_R of C, Mg, Si isotopes: eikonal model and Skyrme Hartree-Fock calculations.

10% deviation of $\sigma_R \rightarrow$ 1% deviation of σ_{-1n}

Change of $\sigma_{-1n} < 3\%$