

Direct Reactions with Exotic Beams, Matsue, Japan, 4-8 June, 2018

Recent advances and perspectives in the theory of direct reactions with exotic beams

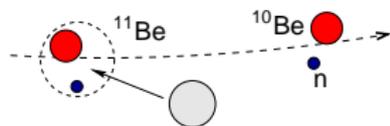
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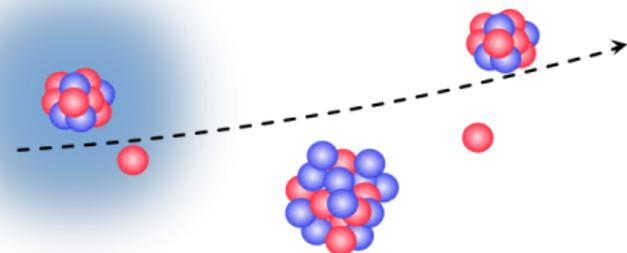
Direct Reactions ...

- Nuclei make 'glancing contact' and separate immediately
- Only few degrees of freedom modified in the process, retain recollection of initial state
- Dominance of single-particle properties over dynamical effects

... with exotic nuclei

- Weakly bound, short-lived, unstable nuclei (inverse kinematics)
- Halo structures

e.g.: collision of a halo nucleus with a target



From Sofia Quaglioni, keynote talk at DREB2016

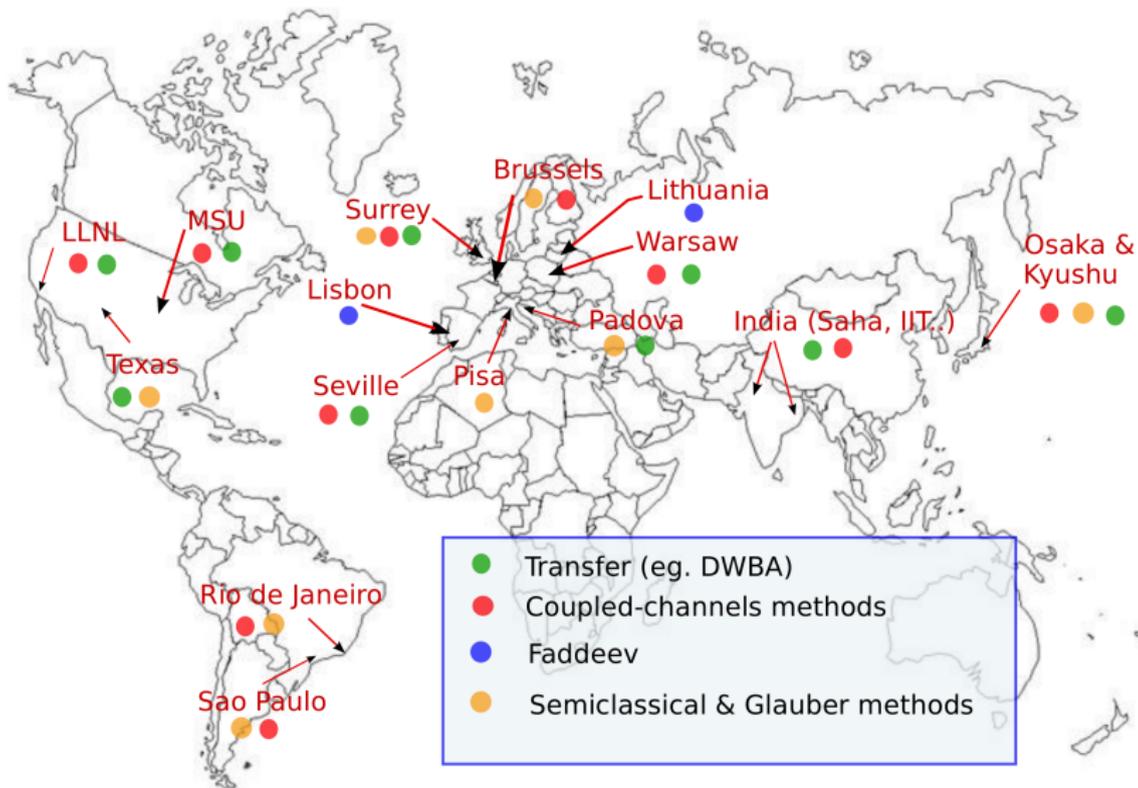
Experimentally:

- Exotic nuclei are short-lived and difficult to produce. Beam intensities are typically small.

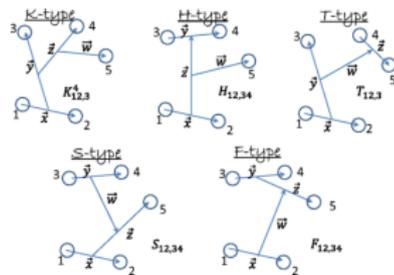
Theoretically:

- Exotic nuclei are easily broken up in nuclear collisions \Rightarrow coupling to the unbound states (continuum) plays an important role.
- Effective NN interactions, level schemes, etc are different from stable nuclei.
- Many exotic nuclei exhibit complicated cluster (few-body) structure.

Nuclear Reaction Theory around the world



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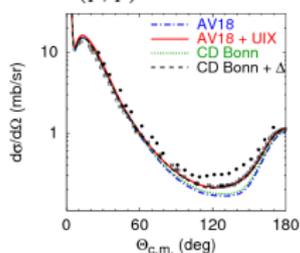


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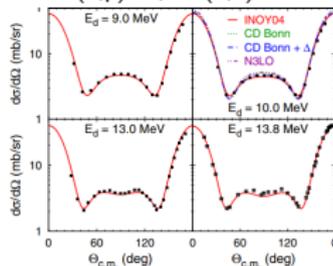


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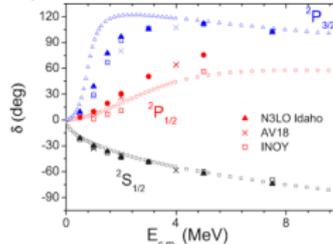


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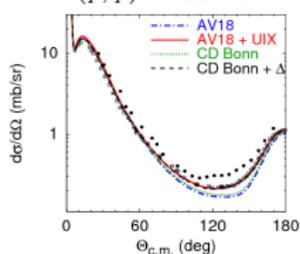


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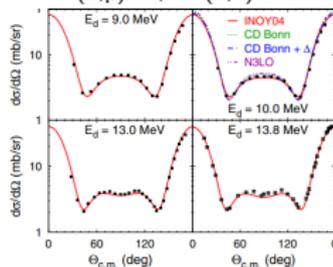


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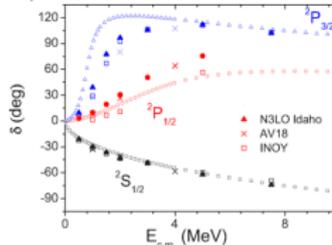


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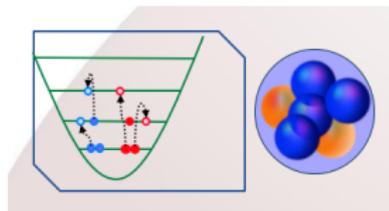
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✓ All open channels (elastic, transfer, BU...) included on an equal footing but ...

- ☞ Poor scaling with particle number (limited nowadays to $A = 5$.)
- ☞ Heavy systems difficult.

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Goal: Seek for accurate (but approximate) solution of many-body problem starting from a realistic NN interaction

Common inputs ...

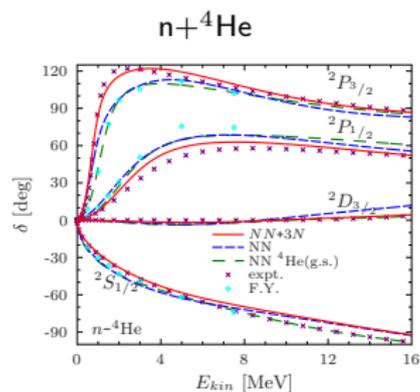
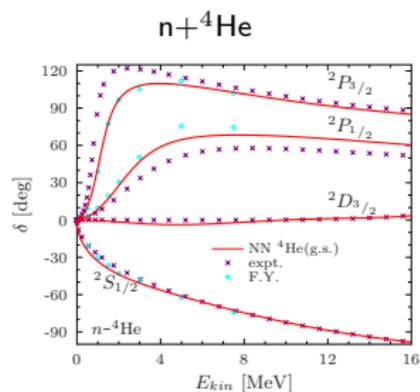
- realistic NN interactions (e.g. QCD-based chiral EFT),
- 3N forces (and beyond)

...but many “flavours”:

- No-Core Shell Model (NCSM) and extensions:
 - NCSM with Continuum (NCSMC)
 - NCSM with Resonating-Group Method (NCSM/RGM)
- Green's Function Monte Carlo Method (GFMC) ($A \leq 12$)
- Self-Consistent Green's Function (SCGF)
- Hyperspherical Adiabatic (HA) expansion method
- Coupled-Cluster Method (CCM)
- ...

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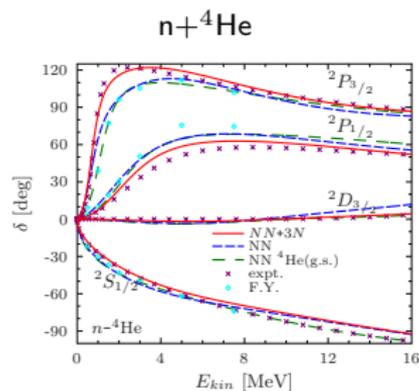
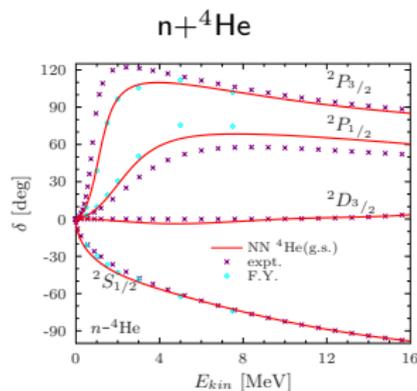
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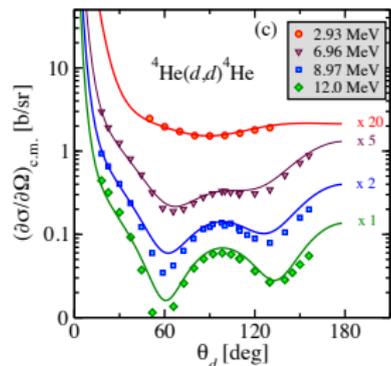
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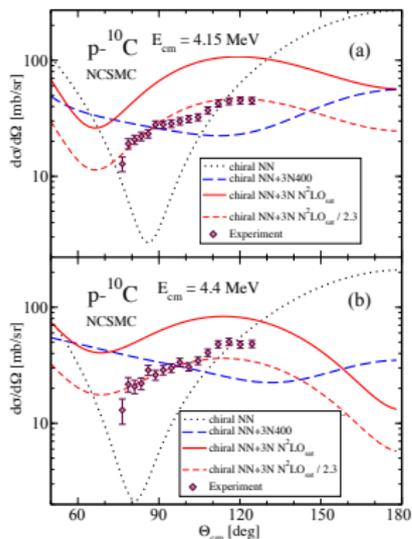
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Feasible for $A > 5$ but limited so far to $A \lesssim 16$ and low energies.

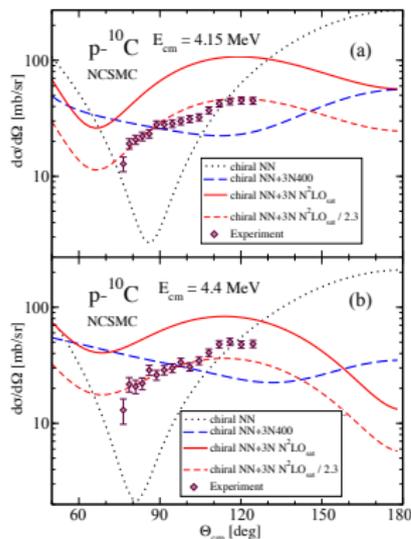
See talks by Petr Navratil and Matteo Vorabbi

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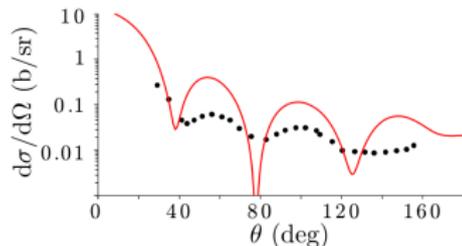
...and none of the available ones seem to be optimal:

“Overall, we observe that none of the available parametrizations of the chiral nuclear force are optimal in all aspects.”

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- SCGF \rightarrow irreducible self-energy, $\Sigma(E)$: in-medium potential experienced by a nucleon.
- $\Sigma(E)$ links bound state properties (structure) with continuum (reaction):
 - For $E > 0$, $\Sigma(E)$ corresponds to *ab-initio* microscopic, non-local, dispersive optical model (DOM) potentials
 - For $E < 0$ target structure (occupation numbers, single-particle fragmentation,....)

Eg.: $^{40}\text{Ca}(n,n)$ at 13.6 MeV with ab-initio SCGF potential



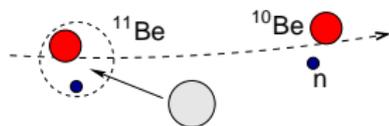
Idini *et al*, IOP Conf.Series:JoP 981, 012005 (2018)

☞ Accuracy limited by numerical complexity

- $\Sigma(E)$ can be also parametrized phenomenologically to yield well founded, dispersive optical model (DOM) potentials

☞ See talk by Willem Dickhoff on Tuesday

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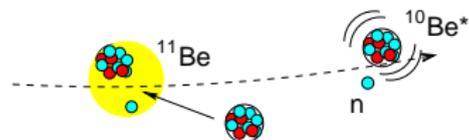


- Faddeev and many-body *ab-initio* methods restricted so far to light systems.
- Heavier systems require simpler (more approximate) methods:
 - Continuum-Discretized Coupled Channels (CDCC): elastic, breakup
 - Distorted Wave Born Approximation (DWBA): inelastic, transfer
 - Coupled-Reaction-Channels (CRC): inelastic, transfer
 - Adiabatic Distorted Wave Approximation (ADWA): transfer
 - Semiclassical, Glauber and eikonal methods: elastic, breakup
 - ...

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E.g.: Breakup of a one-neutron halo nucleus.

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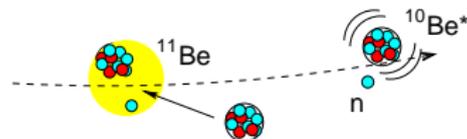


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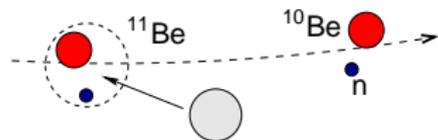
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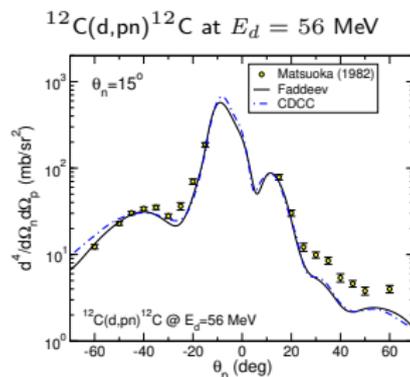
- ⇒ Inert target approximation
- ⇒ Projectile described with few-body model
- ⇒ Phenomenological NA interactions

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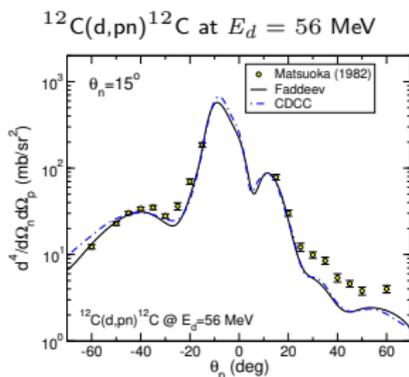


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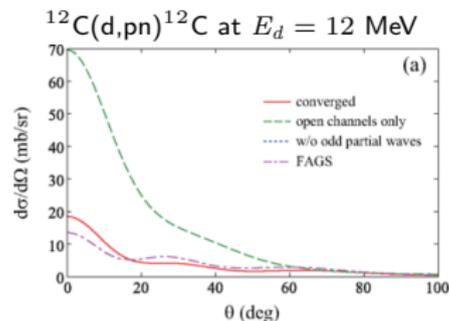
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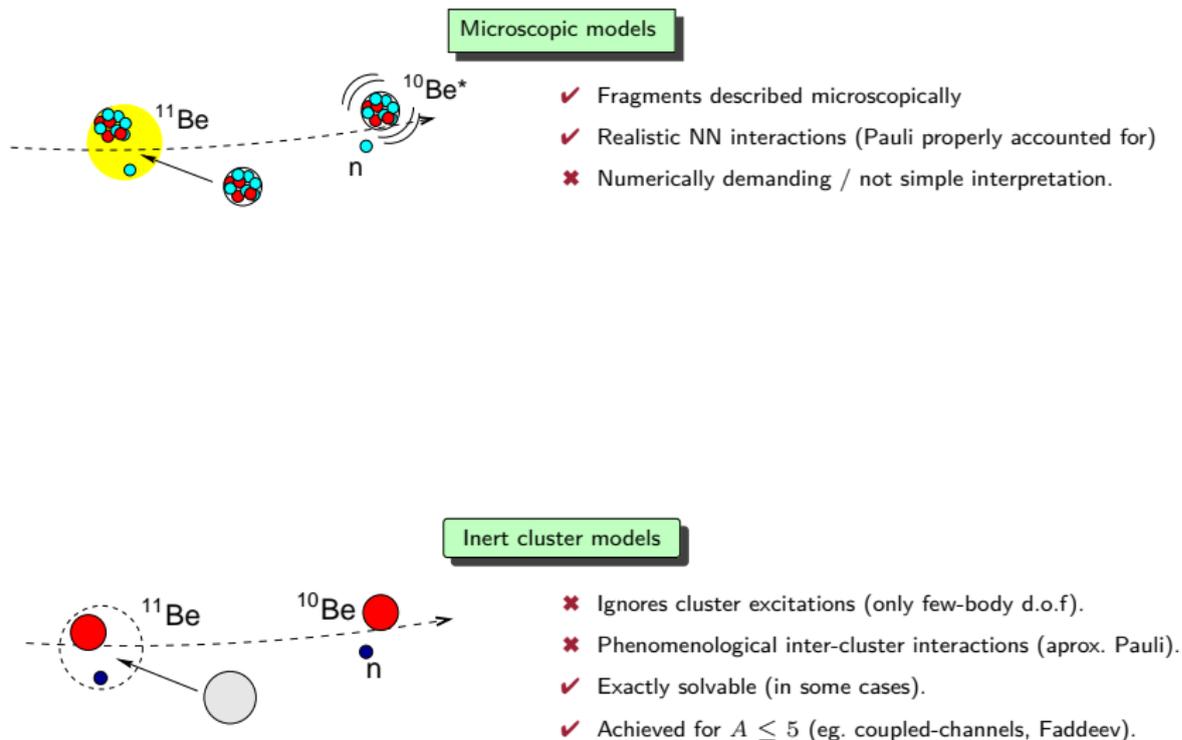
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...and have evidenced some limitations in previous CDCC calculations (eg. the omission of closed channels at low energies)



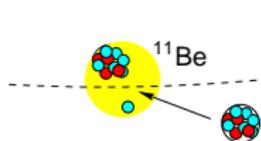
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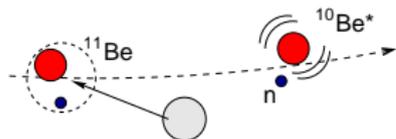
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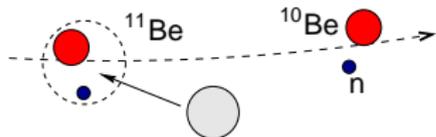
- ✓ Fragments described microscopically
- ✓ Realistic NN interactions (Pauli properly accounted for)
- ✗ Numerically demanding / not simple interpretation.

Non-inert-core few-body models



- ✓ Few-body + some relevant collective d.o.f.
- ✓ Motivated extensions of Faddeev and CDCC (XCDCC)

Inert cluster models



- ✗ Ignores cluster excitations (only few-body d.o.f).
- ✗ Phenomenological inter-cluster interactions (aprox. Pauli).
- ✓ Exactly solvable (in some cases).
- ✓ Achieved for $A \leq 5$ (eg. coupled-channels, Faddeev).

Many-body

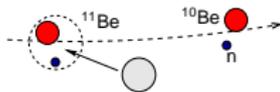
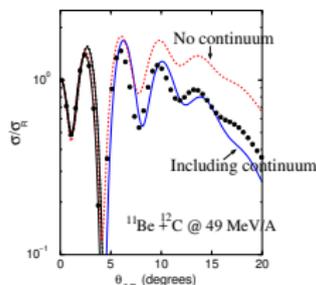
Few-body

+ microscopic

CDCC with inert core

R.Johnson *et al*,

PRL79,2771(1997).

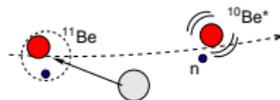
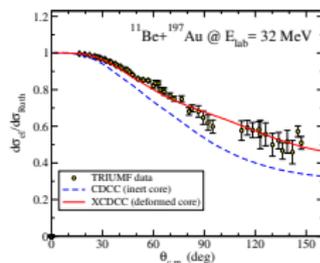


- ✓ Includes halo degree of freedom
- ✗ Clusters dynamics only through effective potentials

CDCC with deformed core

V.Pesudo *et al*,

PRL118,152502(2017)

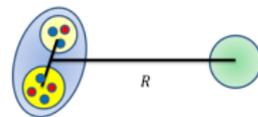
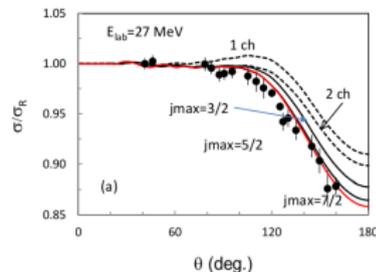


- ✓ Simple structure input (PVM, PRM, etc)
- ✗ Only collective excitations
- ✗ So far, only 2-body projectiles, could be needed for 3-body projectiles (eg. ^{11}Li , ^{14}Be)

Microscopic CDCC

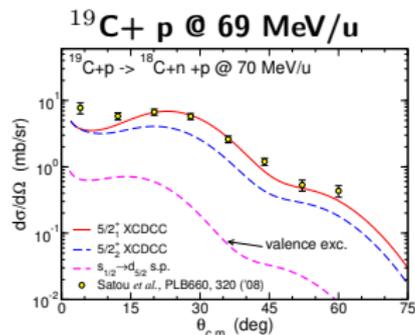
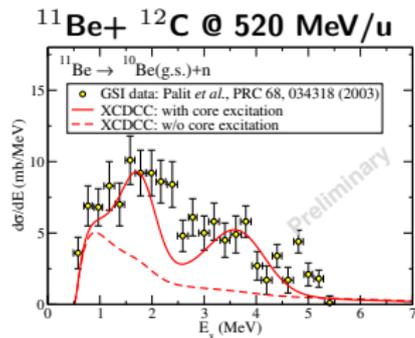
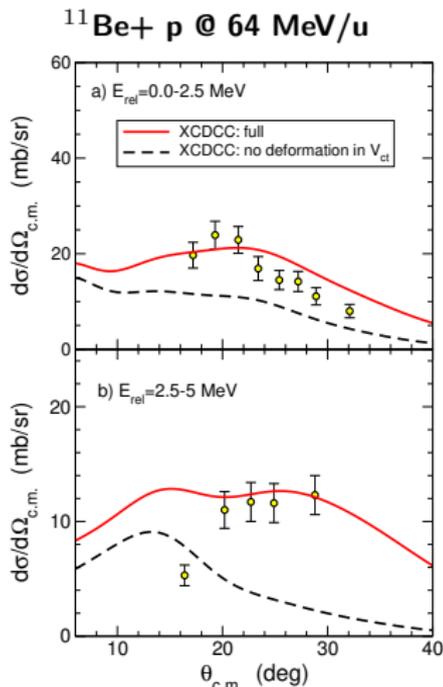
P.Descouvemont,

PRL111,082701(2013)



- ✓ Microscopic description of clusters.
- ✓ Core excitations "automatic"
- ✓ Collective + non-collective excitations

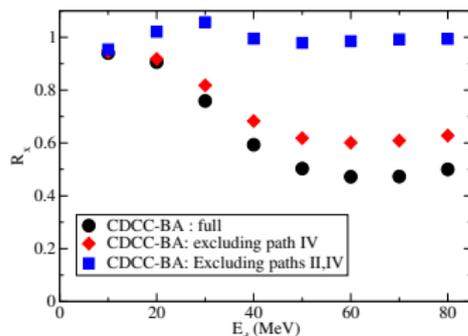
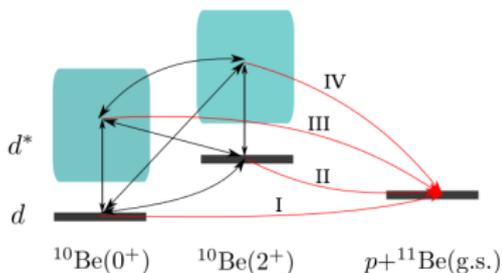
Core excitations may enhance dramatically the breakup cross sections in reactions of deformed halo nuclei with light targets



- In a one-step transfer process (eg. DWBA), $\sigma_{tr} = \mathcal{S}_F \sigma_{sp}$
- If higher order are important, this is not true and deviations can be quantified as:

$$R_x = \frac{1}{\mathcal{S}_F} \frac{\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{\text{def}}}{\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{\text{no def}}}$$

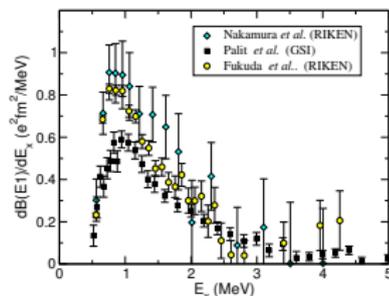
E.g.: $^{10}\text{Be}(d,p)^{11}\text{Be}$ including deuteron breakup and ^{10}Be excitation.



M.Gomez-Ramos,A.M.M., PRC95, 044612 (2017)

⚠ Word of caution when extracting \mathcal{S}_F from ADWA or DWBA calculations!

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Two popular examples:

- Occupation numbers/spectroscopic factors
- Electric transition probabilities from Coulex.

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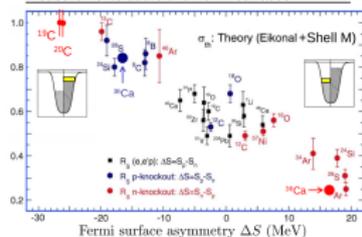
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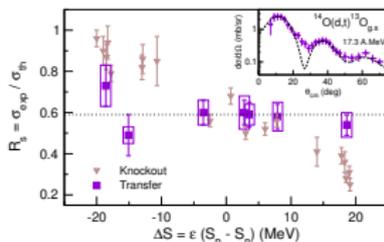


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See also talk by M. Gómez-Ramos

Low-energy transfer

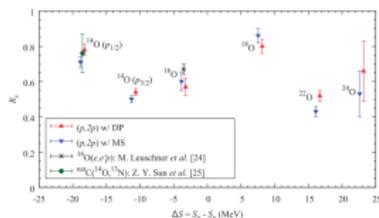
Flavigny, PRL110, 122503(2013)



- Reaction model: ADWA, DWBA, CRC
- $R_s \sim$ constant.

(p, pN) @ 200-250 MeV/u

Wakase, PTEP 021D01 (2018)



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- Similar results from GSI: Atar et al, PRL120, 052501 (2018).

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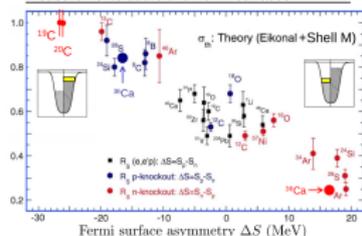
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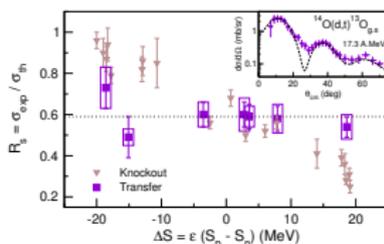


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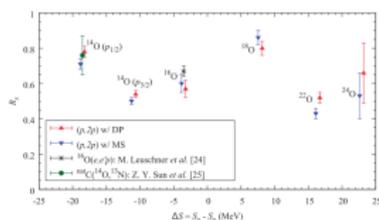
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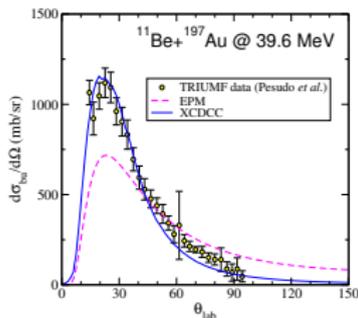
R_s from knockout disagree with those from transfer and (p, pN)
 \Rightarrow description of reaction mechanism?

An example: Coulomb dissociation of ^{11}Be on heavy targets

EPM vs. CDCC analyses of breakup cross sections

Coulomb-barrier

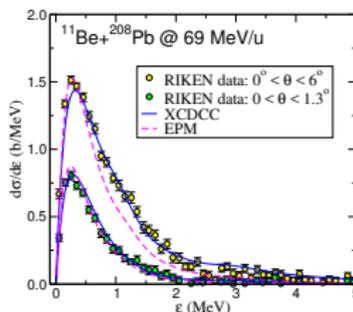
Pesudo, PRL118,152502(2017)



- ✓ Dominated by Coulomb breakup up to large θ
- ✗ Not simple 1 step (higher order couplings important)
- ✗ EPM not applicable

Intermediate (non-rel.)

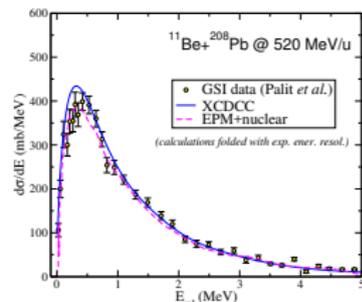
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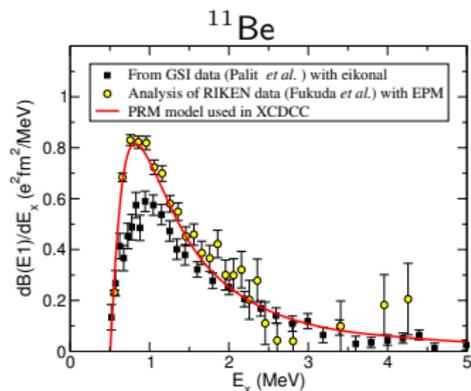
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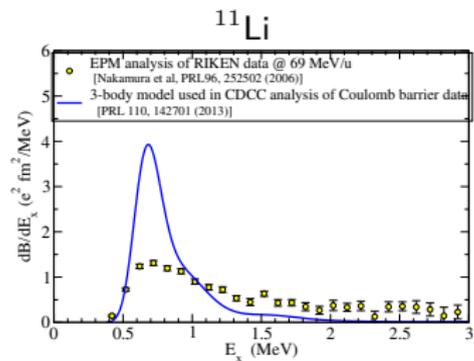
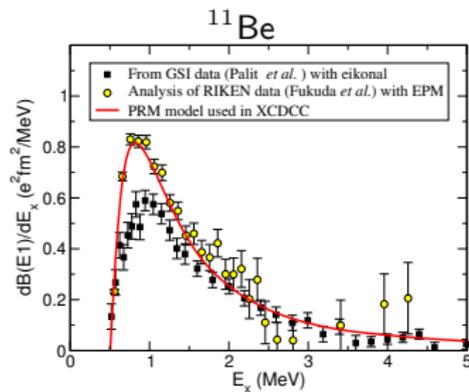
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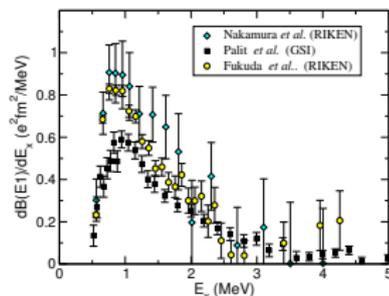
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 - 📖 T. Matsumoto : ¹¹Li(p,p') (theory)

- 1 Direct Reactions with Exotic Beams
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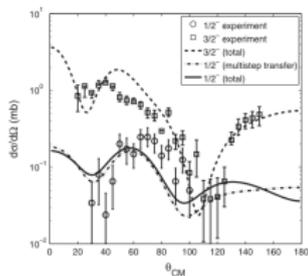


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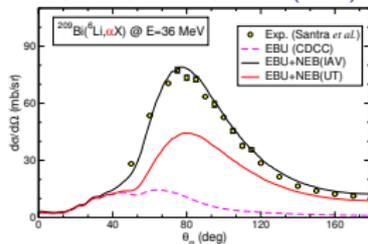
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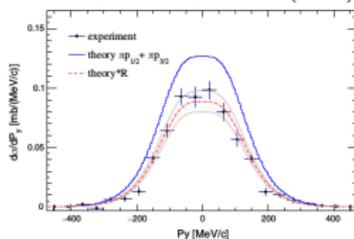


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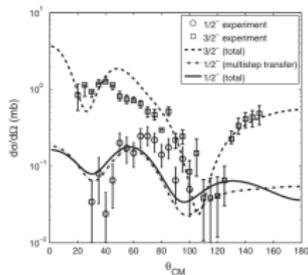
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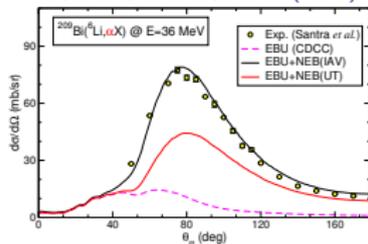
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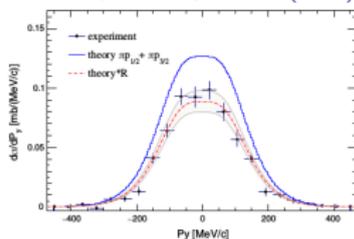


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The '70s Are Back in Fashion!

N. Austern, Ichimura, Yahiro, M. Hussein (breakup theories), R.C. Johnson (adiabatic models), Jacob & Maris (DWIA), Baymann (2N transfer), G. Baur (Trojan Horse, inclusive breakup), and many others who deserve our gratitude and recognition.

Exact solution of reaction problem (Faddeev and FY)

- Feasible for light targets (Deltuva, Lazauskas *et al.*) ☺
- Ongoing initiatives to develop Faddeev codes (eg. TORUS at USA) ☺
- Limited so far to light targets (Coulomb) ☺

Ab-initio methods

- Increasing activity on many variants (NCSM, SCGF, CCM ...)
- Accuracy comparable to Faddeev... ☺
- ...but limited to light systems (so far!) ☺

Approximate methods

- Recent benchmarks show good performance against more exact methods. ☺
- Intense activity toward the incorporation of more realistic structure models and dynamics (eg. core excitations).
- “Old” theories reexamined and updated (2N transfer, (p,pN), inclusive breakup...)

And many more exciting developments and applications which I could not cover:

- Charge-exchange and double charge exchange and its connection with the neutrino double-beta decay matrix elements
Talk by J.A. Lay on Monday
- Revival of (p, pn) and $(p, 2p)$ theories, and possible extensions to more complicated processes: (p, pd) , $(p, p\alpha)$, (p, ppn) ,...
Talk by Mengjiao Lyu on Wednesday
- Fully quantum-mechanical theory for CF and ICF reactions.
Talk by Kaitlin Cook and Ed Simpson on Wednesday
- Progress towards understanding of many-body correlations and 3-body cluster dynamics (eg. ${}^6\text{He}$).
- Proper error quantification in theory (Nunes *et al*).