Study of high lying resonances in ⁹Be by the measurement of (p,p), (p,d) and (p,α) reactions

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primary beams:^{6,7}Li, ^{10,11}B, ⁹Be, ¹²C, ^{16,17,18}O ...

3.0 – 5.0 MeV/nucleon









What is the interest of these light radioactive nuclei??

Light drip line nuclei





⁶He borromean, twoneutron halo nucleus





Measurements with purified radioactive beams:

Elastic scattering and transfer reactions of ⁸Li on hydrogen target

Nuclear states with excited cores and with cluster structures: 2,3..



Study of ⁹Be structure through ⁸Li+p reactions ⁷Li+d ⁸Li+p

- Probes ⁹Be around $E\downarrow x \approx 18-20$ MeV
- High excitation energies in ⁹Be
 - \rightarrow unknown states
 - \rightarrow level density important
 - \rightarrow several open channels

$\alpha + \alpha + n$

Method: Inverse kinematics: ⁸Li beam hitting a thick (7.7 mg/cm²) [CH₂]_n target ⁸Li beam looses energy, stops in the target



Simultaneous measurement of all incident energies: excitation function Resonances populated in the target \rightarrow peaks in energy spectrum of light ejectiles Energy spectrum of ⁴He, p, d \rightarrow excitation function of reactions Energy resolution: independent of beam dispersion, depends on energy loss of light ejectiles in target Normalization; Rutherford scattering of ⁸Li on Au target

2009-2011 ⁸Li(p.α) ⁵He. one solenoid. Q=+14.42 MeV,

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The ⁸Li(p, α)⁵He reaction at low energies, and ⁹Be spectroscopy around the proton threshold



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⁸Li(p, α)⁵He at 13,5°

⁸Li(p,p)⁸Li at 18^o



Broad resonance at E_{cm} ~1.7MeV, observed in (p, α) and (p,p). In (p,d) it populates both ⁷Li_{qs} and ⁷Li*(0.477 MeV).



The resonance at Ecm ~ 1.7 MeV decays to $d + {}^{7}Li_{gs}$ and ${}^{7}Li^{*}$ (0,477MeV). At 10° the peak of $d + {}^{7}Li_{gs}$ was covered by a contamination



R-matrix calculation

Procedure:

- 1. Inputs for each resonance: $J, I, \ell, E \downarrow 0$, $\gamma \downarrow p$, $\gamma \downarrow \alpha$, $\gamma \downarrow d$
- 2. Calculation of the R-matrix for each J values
- 3. From R-matrices: calculation of the scattering matrices U_J for each J
- 4. From the scattering matrices U_J : elastic and transfer cross sections

Several reactions with the same entrance channel \rightarrow constrains Energy $E\downarrow 0$, proton width $\gamma \downarrow p$ are common \rightarrow constrains





Conclusions

- The simultaneous measurement of resonant elastic scattering ⁸Li(p,p)⁸Li, and transfer reactions ⁸Li(p,α)⁵He and ⁸Li(p,d)⁷Li, allows to determine the resonance parameters of highly excited states in ⁹Be.
- 5 resonances, at E_{cm} = at 0.42, 0.61, 1.10,1.66 and 1.72 MeV have E_R , J^{π} and partial widths Γ_p , Γ_α , Γ_d , Γ_d , determined
- Future measurements: extend the energy range and measure angular distributions
- Study other systems ⁶He+p, ⁸B+p, ⁷Be+p

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In memoriam of our dear colleague and friend Paulo Gomes. Rest in peace



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