Locations of breakup in reactions near the fusion barrier

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Outline

- Fusion suppression with weakly-bound projectiles
- Prompt and delayed breakup modes of ⁷Li
- Classical modelling of near-target breakup on ⁵⁸Ni



Above barrier fusion suppression



Dasgupta et al., PRC 66, 041602(R) (2002); PRC 70, 024606 (2004); Wu et al., PRC 68 044605 (2004)



Experiment: Fragment detection

BALiN array

Double-Sided Silicon Strip Detectors





In this "lampshade" configuration sensitive only to backward angles

 $115^{\circ} < \theta < 170^{\circ}$ $30^{\circ} < \phi < 330^{\circ}$





[D. H. Luong, ANU PhD Thesis (2012)]



Relative energy distribution

 $^{7}Li \rightarrow {}^{8}Be \rightarrow \alpha + \alpha$







Expect differences in opening angle θ_{12} and relative energy E_{rel} ? Large E_{rel} correspond to earlier disintegration?

Plus, asymptotic \equiv very long-lived states



Experiment and asymptotic limits



Simpson *et al.*, PRC 93, 024605 (2016)



Post breakup acceleration

Suppose prompt breakup originates in the 2^+ resonance, with well defined initial E_x :

Sensitivity to target proximity

- Near target gives greater acceleration
- Larger changes in final E_{rel} w.r.t E_x
- Further from target, weaker acceleration
- Final E_{rel} closer to of E_x







Post breakup acceleration

Suppose prompt breakup originates in the 2^+ resonance, with well defined initial E_x :

Sensitivity to orientation

- Aligned perpendicular to the target field, leads to larger E_{rel}
- Aligned parallel to the target field, acceleration tells to reduce the final relative energy E_{rel}







Monte Carlo trajectory simulations





⁸Be 2⁺ resonance



A. M. Lane and R. G. Thomas, Rev. Mod. Phys. <u>30</u>, 257 (1958)



Reaction point



⁸Be decay point





Simulation assuming instant decay



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Simulation incorporating lifetime













Summary and further work

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- Results suggest much of the observed breakup at sub-barrier energies occurs when the projectile is receding from the target
- This has consequences for fusion can the break up happen fast enough to cause fusion suppression, contribute to ICF?

Outlook

- Limits of the model with an immutable ⁸Be, the delayed breakup will clearly affect incomplete fusion how important are tidal forces?
- Can we systematically understand sub-barrier breakup for other light projectiles such as ⁶Li and ⁹Be? What do we predict for ICF?
- Stable weakly bound more challenging than exotic nuclei we must understand the reaction mechanisms involved



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Backup slides



Comparison to 7Li $\rightarrow \alpha$ + d

