

Exploring the coupling to nucleon transfer in fusion involving neutron-rich Sn nuclei at energies near the Coulomb barrier

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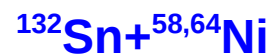
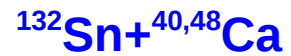
Outline

Introduction

fusion with neutron-rich radioactive nuclei

Experiment

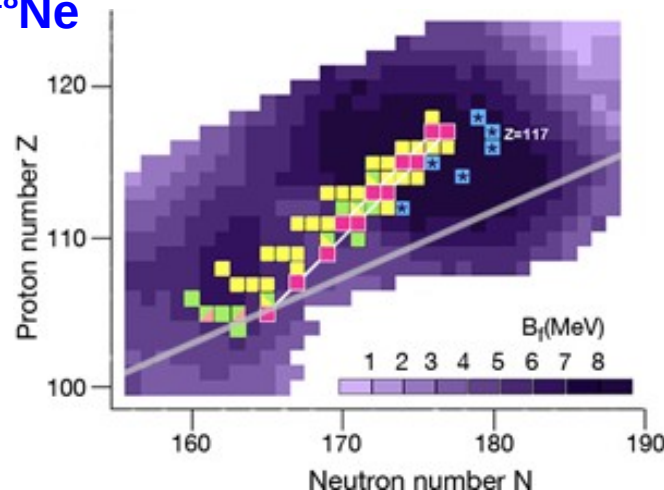
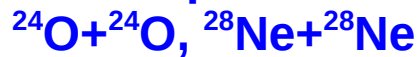
Fusion enhancement and nucleon transfer



Outlook and Summary

Introduction

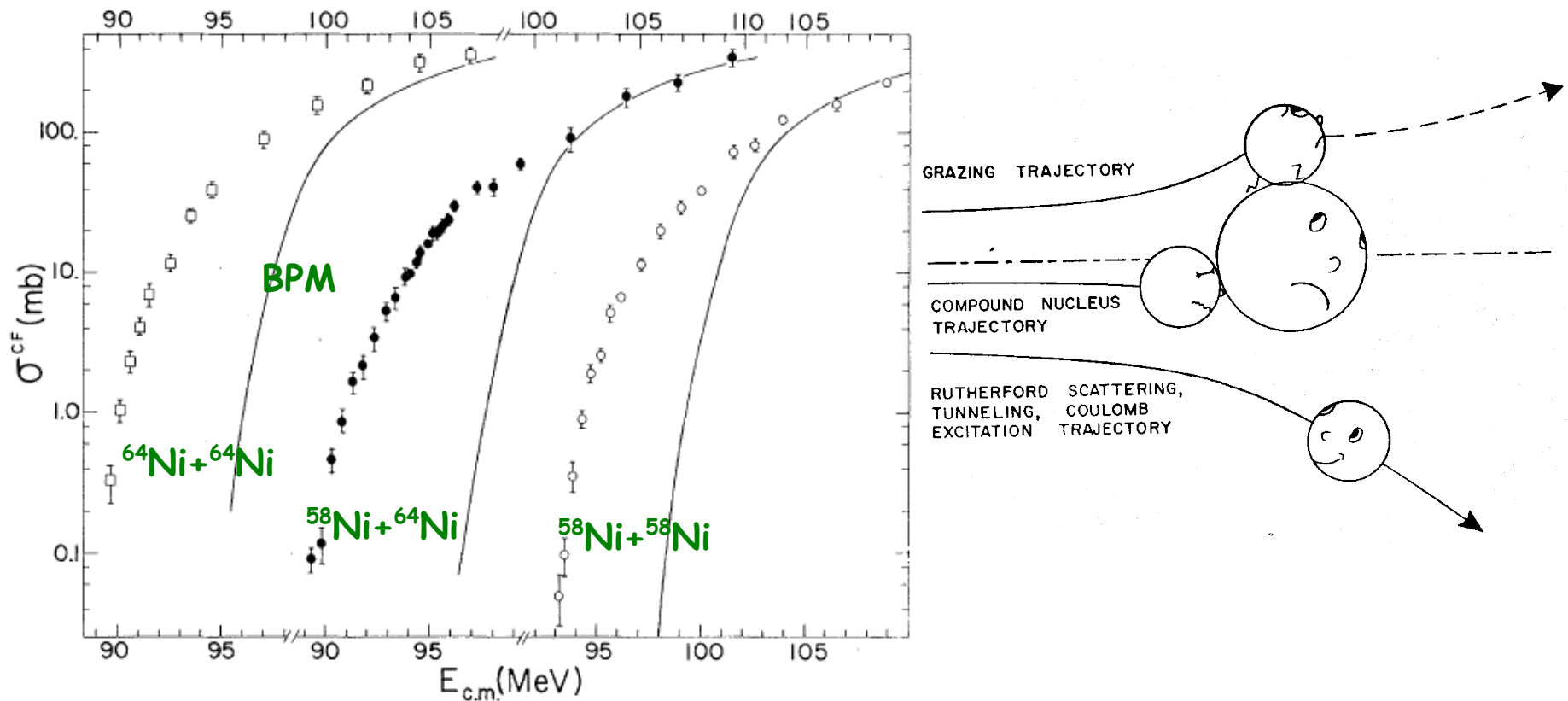
- The heaviest elements are synthesized in laboratories by fusion reactions.
- expected fusion enhancement with neutron-rich radioactive nuclei
 - larger r.m.s. radii (skin, halo)
 - collective modes (soft-dipole resonance)
 - exotic shapes
 - neutron transfer
 - etc.
- Neutron-rich radioactive beams may be used for producing neutron-rich isotopes of superheavy element.
- These beams may help reach the predicted N=184 neutron shell closure.
- Nuclear fusion provides power to stars.
- Fusion is predicted to be a heat source in the crust of neutron stars.



Loveland, PRC76(2007)014612
Horowitz, PRC77(2008)045807

Introduction

- tunneling
- Sub-barrier fusion enhancement
- coupling of the intrinsic degrees of freedom to the relative motion
- static deformation, surface vibration, nucleon transfer, and so on

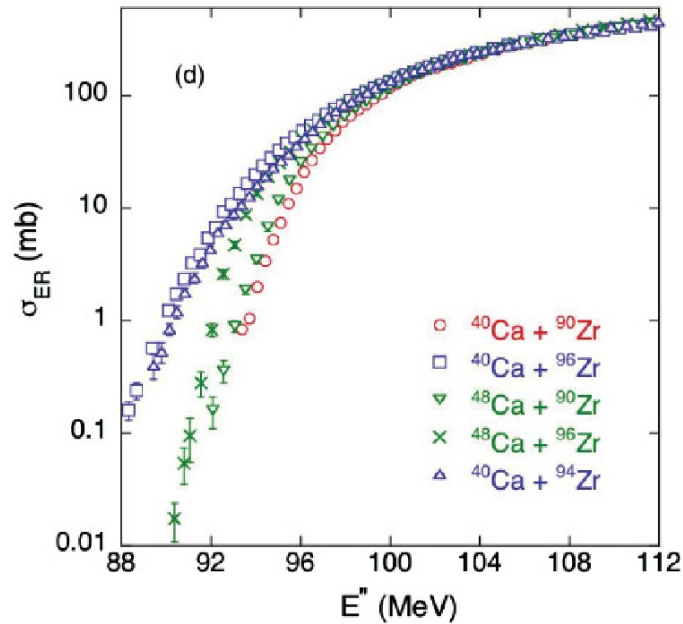


Beckerman et al., PRC25(1982)837

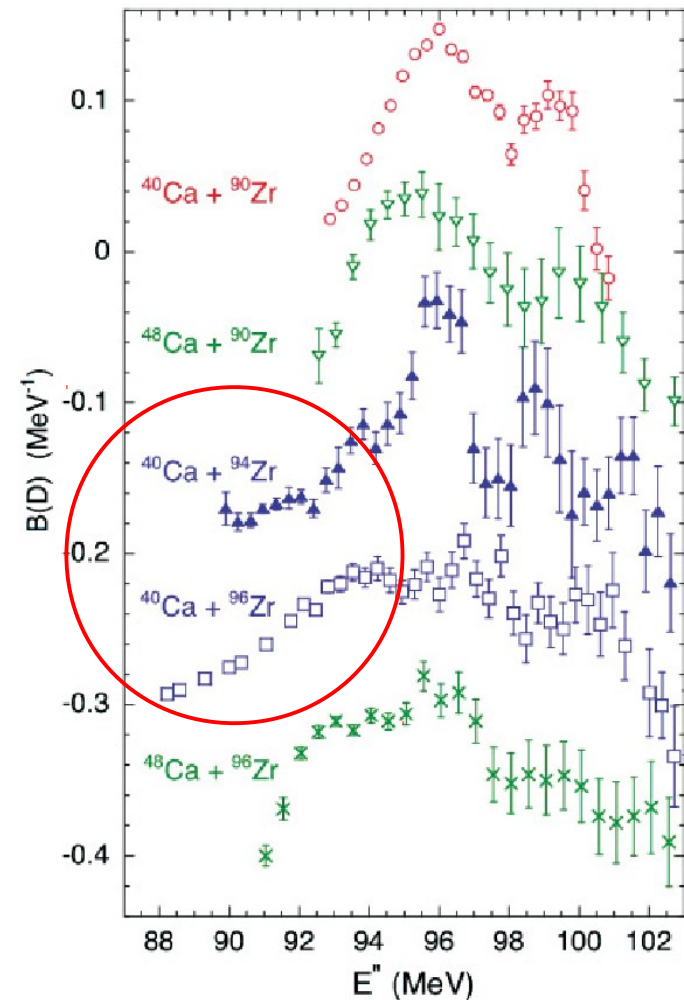
Direct Reactions with Exotic Beams, Pisa, Italy 26-29 March 2012

Introduction

neutron transfer



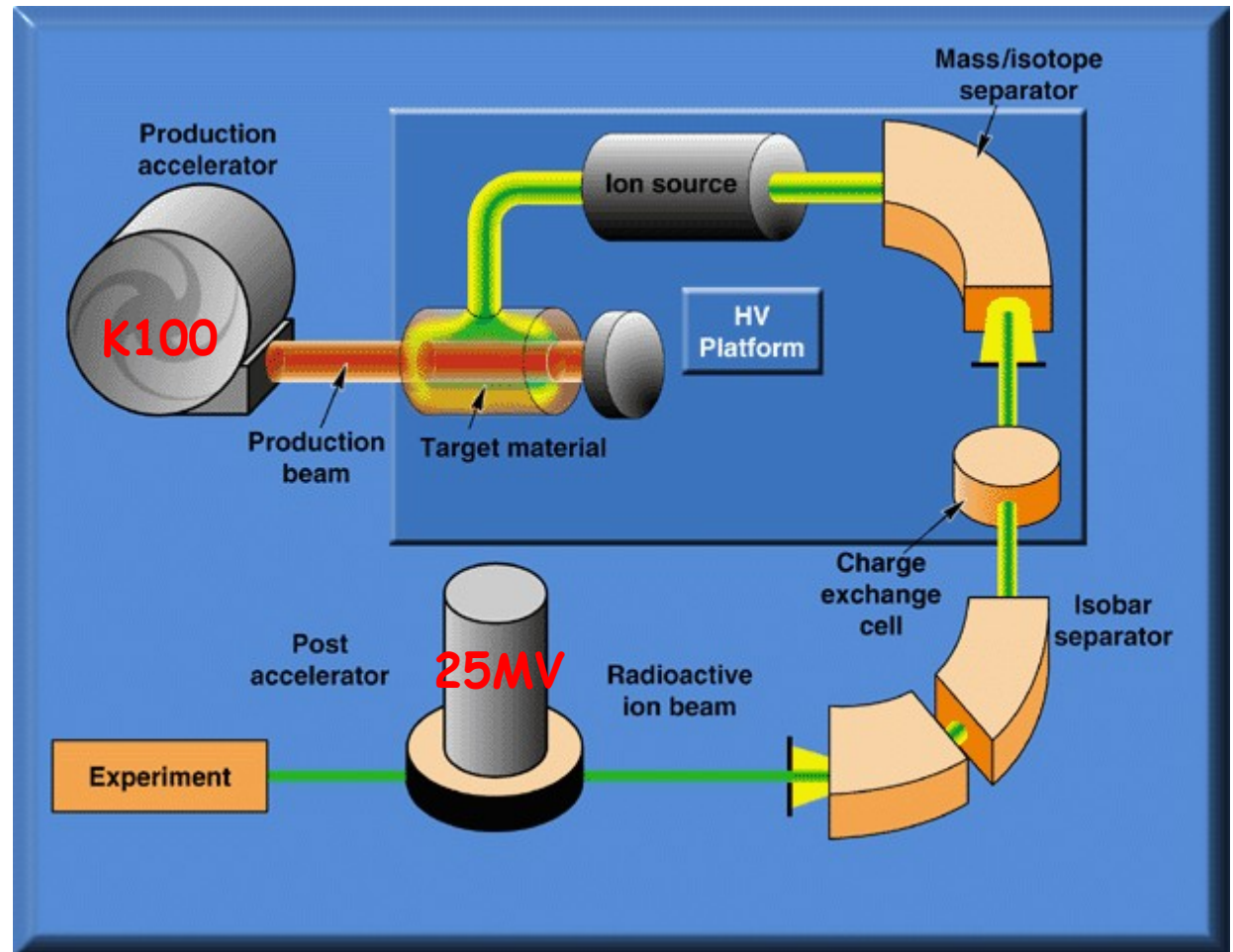
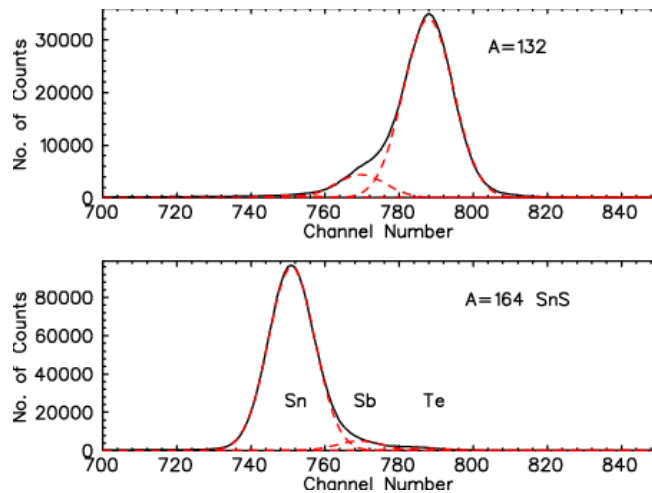
System	+1n	+2n	+3n	+4n	+5n	+6n
$^{40}\text{Ca} + ^{90}\text{Zr}$	-3.61	-1.44	-5.86	-4.17	-9.65	-9.05
$^{40}\text{Ca} + ^{94}\text{Zr}$	+0.14	+4.89	+4.19	+8.12	+3.57	+4.65
$^{40}\text{Ca} + ^{96}\text{Zr}$	+0.51	+5.53	+5.24	+9.64	+8.42	+11.62
$^{48}\text{Ca} + ^{90}\text{Zr}$	-6.82	-9.79	-17.73	-22.67	-31.93	-37.60
$^{48}\text{Ca} + ^{96}\text{Zr}$	-2.71	-2.82	-6.63	-8.69	-13.87	-17.00



- Sub-barrier fusion enhancement correlates with +Q-values for transfer.
- The barrier distributions for $^{40}\text{Ca} + ^{94,96}\text{Zr}$ have a low energy tail.
- N-rich radioactive nuclei induced fusion

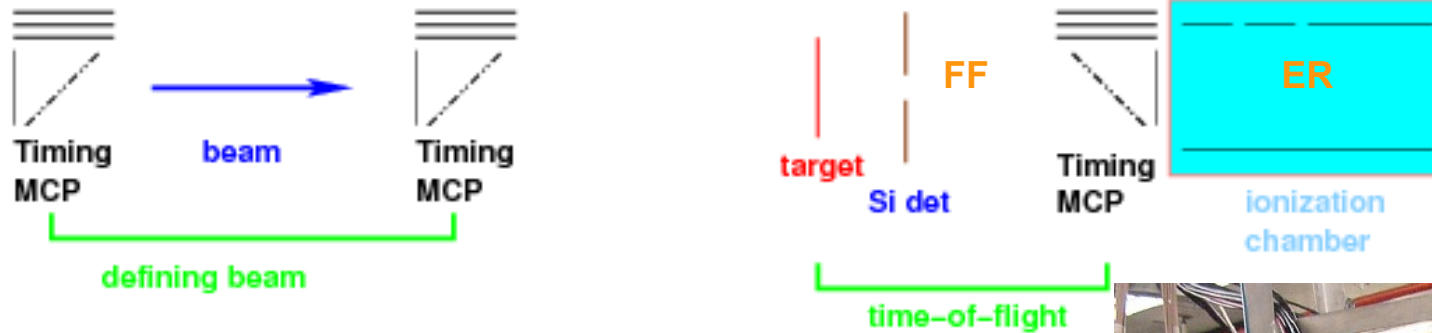
HRIBF Beams

- ISOL
- $^{238}\text{U}(p, \text{FF})$
- $\sim 5 \text{ MeV/u}$ for $A \sim 130$
- Isobar purification by selecting SnS
- Cs vapor charge exchange cell to obtain negative ions
- maximum intensity on target $\sim 200\text{k } ^{132}\text{Sn/s}$

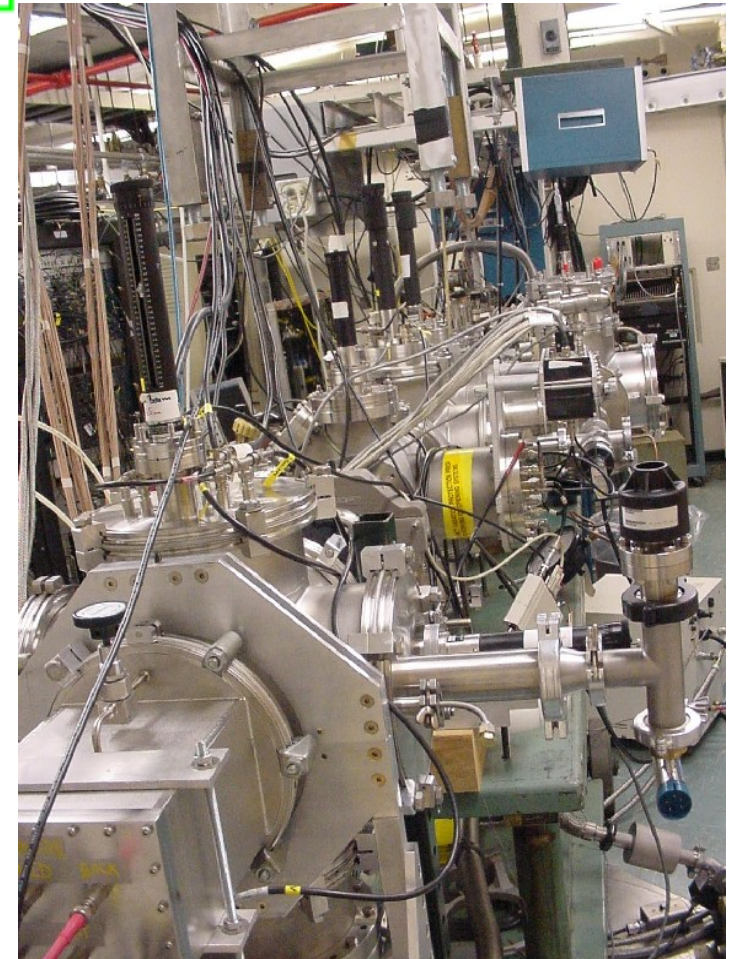


<http://www.phy.ornl.gov/hribf/>

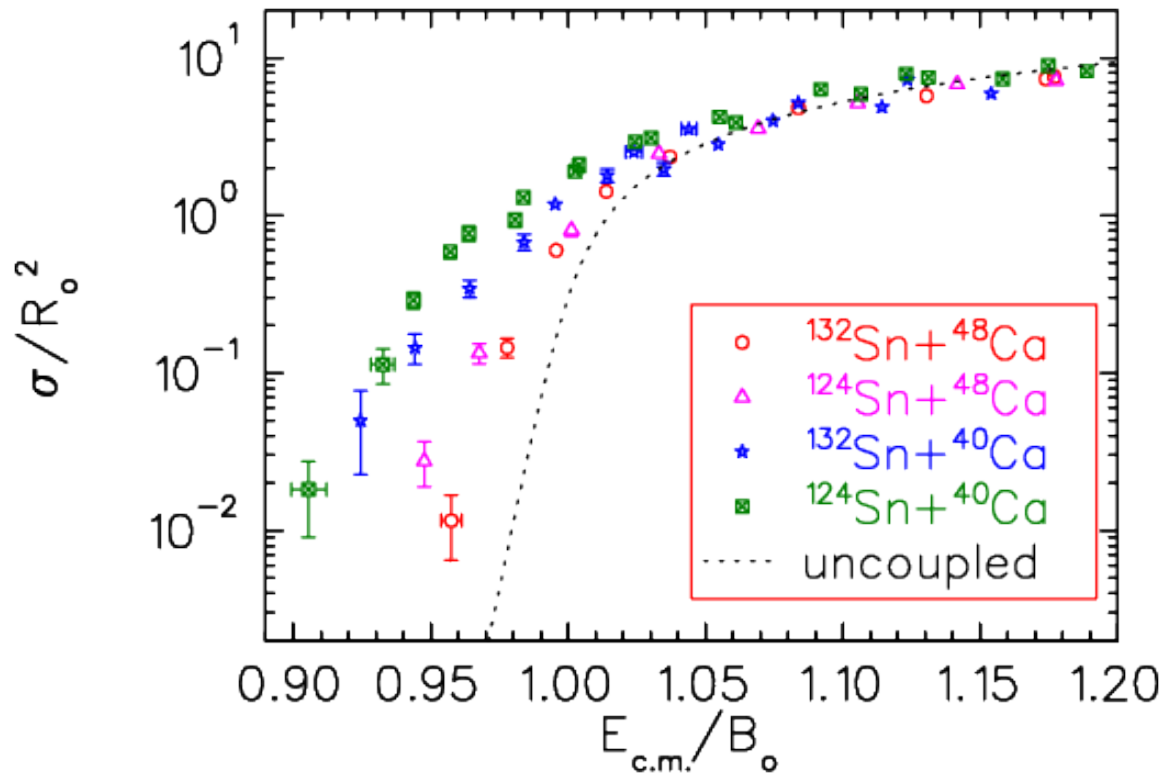
Apparatus



- Experiments used Ca and Ni targets
- Inverse kinematics (heavy projectile on light target)
- Reaction products forward focusing
- Detecting ER and beam in the IC simultaneously at 0°
- ER identification by time-of-flight and $E-\Delta E$
- Detecting FF by an annular double-sided Si strip detector
- thick targets to compensate for the low intensity beams



Results: Sn+Ca



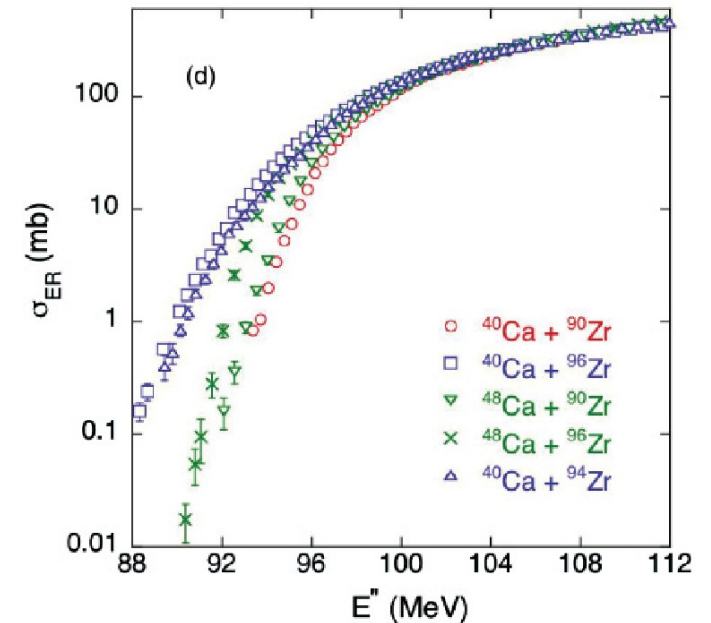
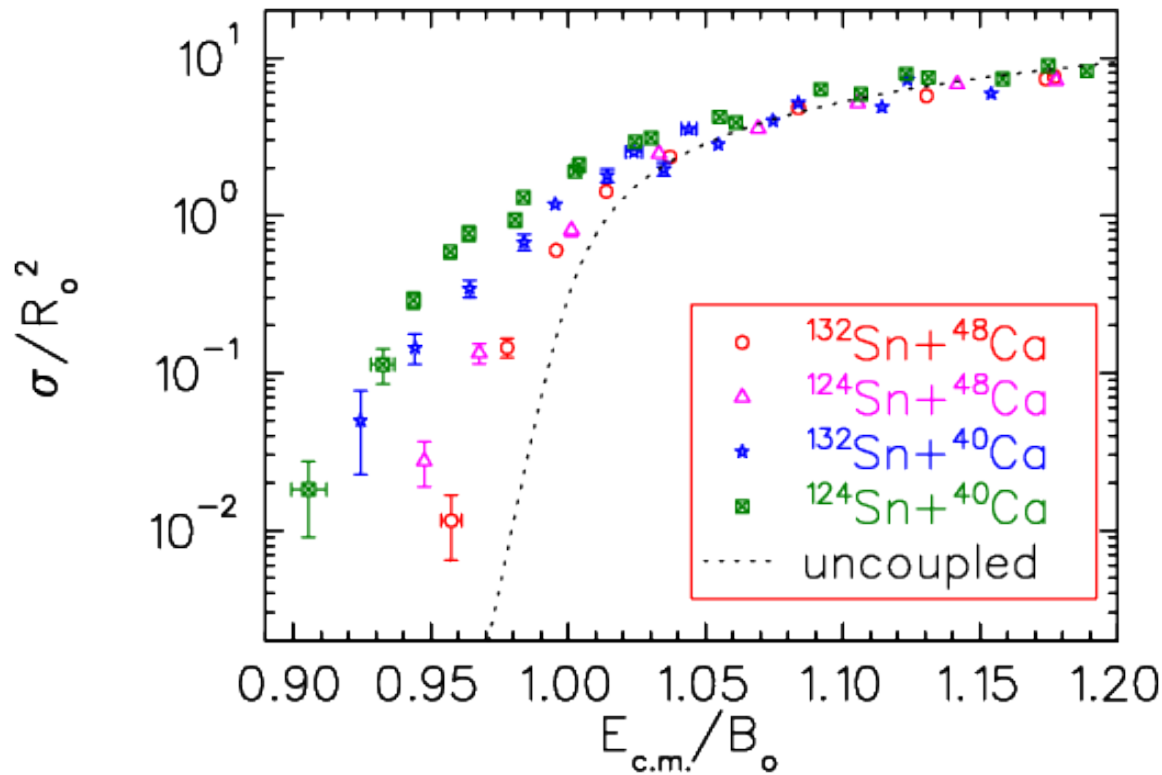
$$R_o = A_p^{1/3} + A_t^{1/3}$$

$$B_o = Z_p Z_t / R_o$$

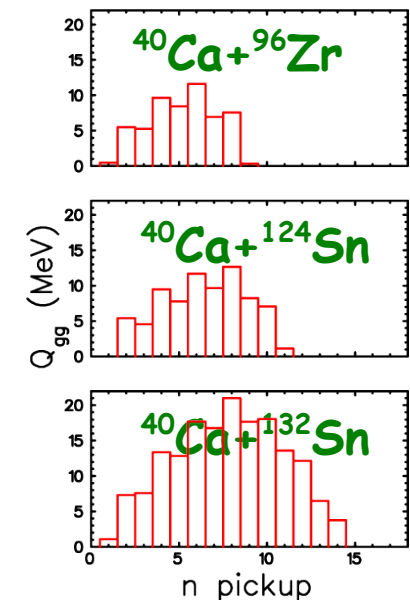
- Compare reduced excitation functions to remove differences in nuclear size and barrier height.
- enhancement from inelastic excitations of projectile and target w.r.t. the no coupling calculations
- The enhancement for reactions with ^{40}Ca is larger than that with ^{48}Ca because of the 3^- state in ^{40}Ca .
- The enhancement for reactions with ^{132}Sn is smaller than that with ^{124}Sn because ^{132}Sn is doubly magic and less collective.

Kolata et al., submitted to PRC

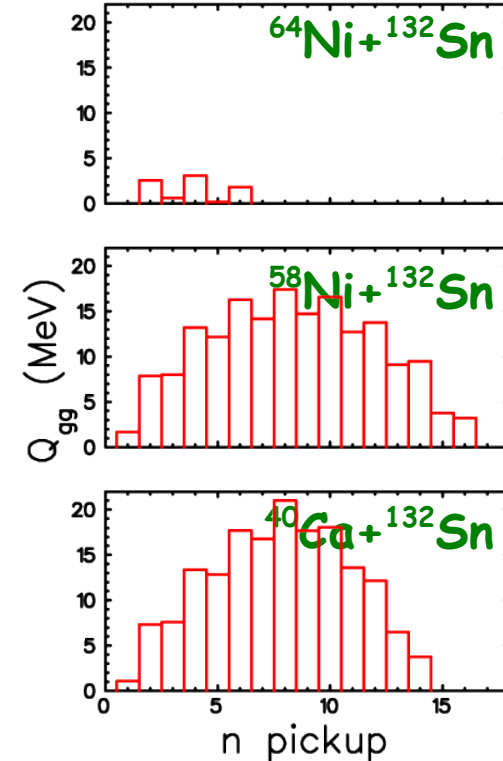
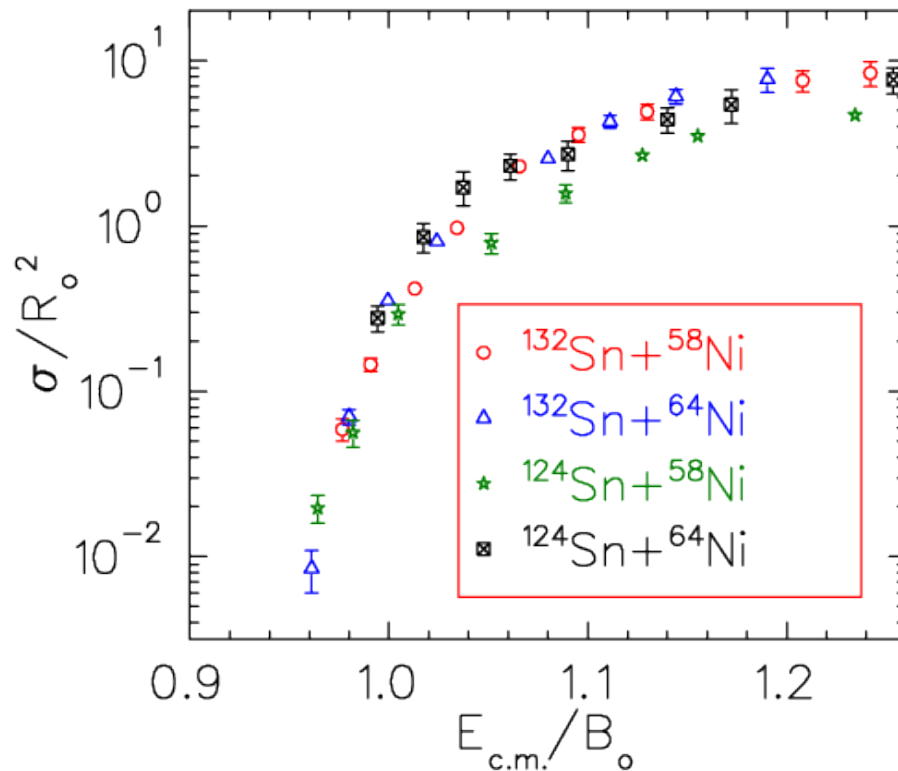
Results: Sn+Ca



- The Q-value for transfer is negative in reactions with ^{48}Ca .
- comparison similar to $^{40}\text{Ca} + ^{90,96}\text{Zr}$
- suggests enhancement due to inelastic excitations and transfer in reactions with ^{40}Ca

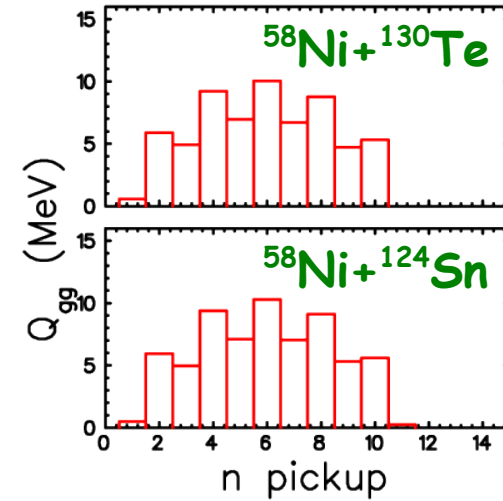
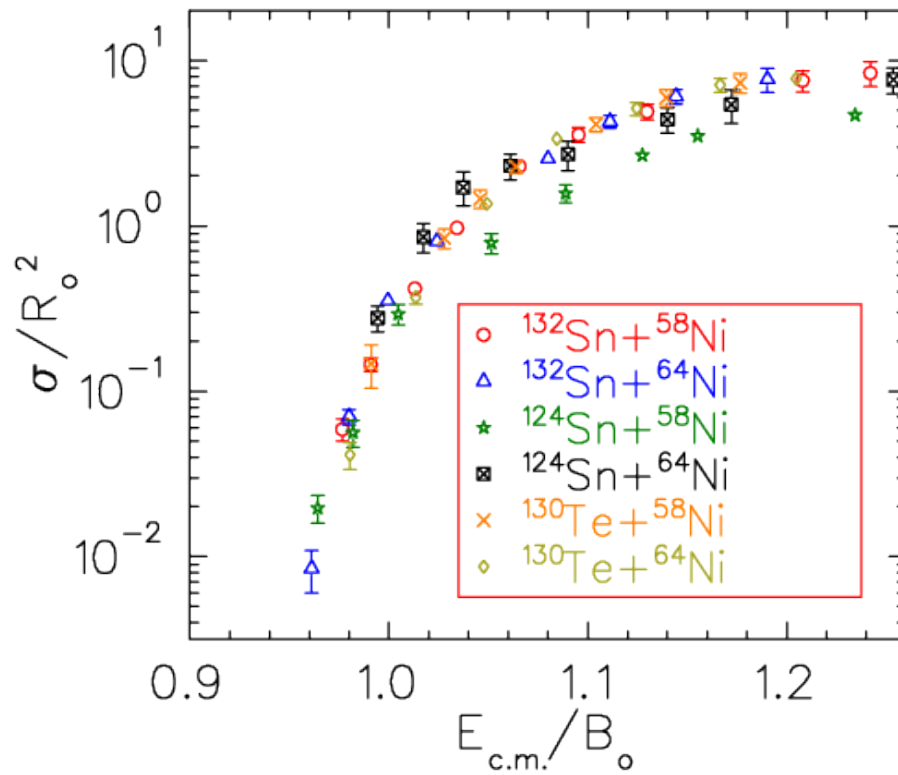


Results: Sn+Ni



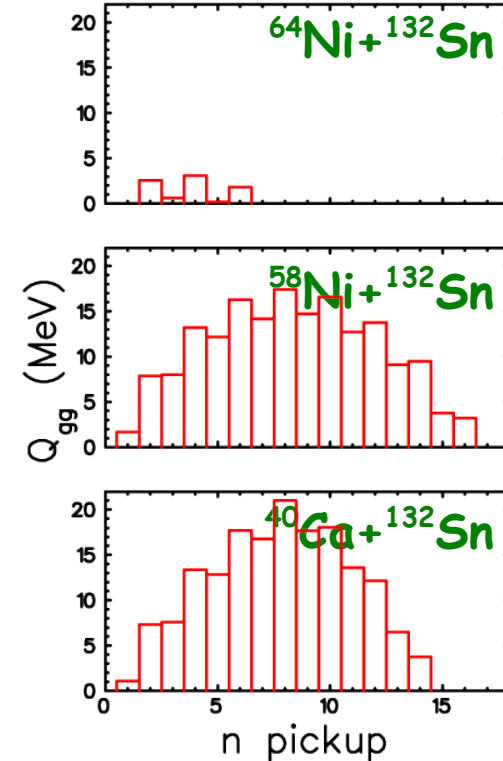
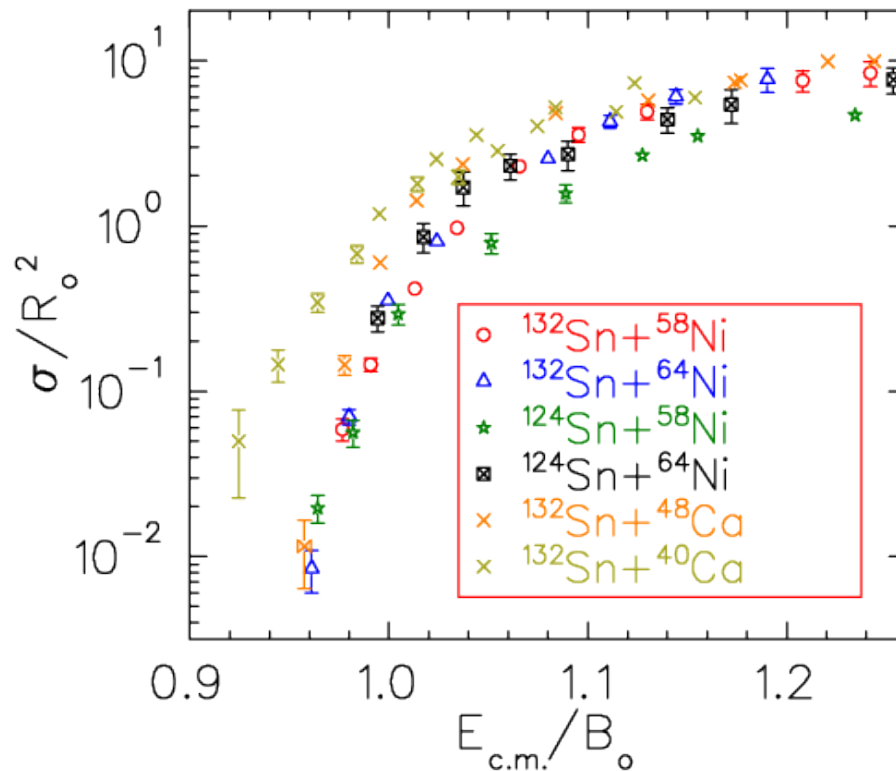
- The magnitude of sub-barrier enhancement in $^{132}\text{Sn}+^{58}\text{Ni}$ resembles that in other Sn+Ni. (no isotope dependence)
- The influence of neutron transfer is not as pronounced as in Sn+ ^{40}Ca .

Results: Te+Ni



a similar behavior for the comparison of $^{130}\text{Te} + ^{58,64}\text{Ni}$

Results: Sn+Ni

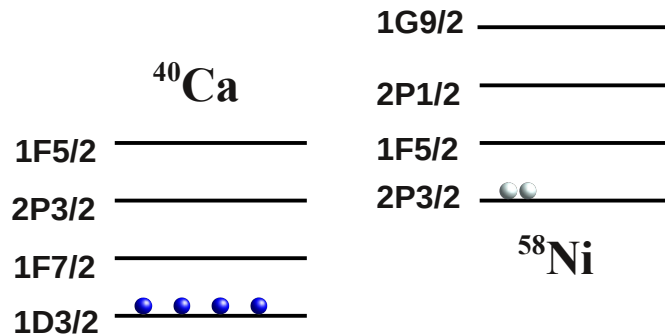


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Comparisons of $\text{Sn}+^{40}\text{Ca}$ and $\text{Sn}+^{58}\text{Ni}$

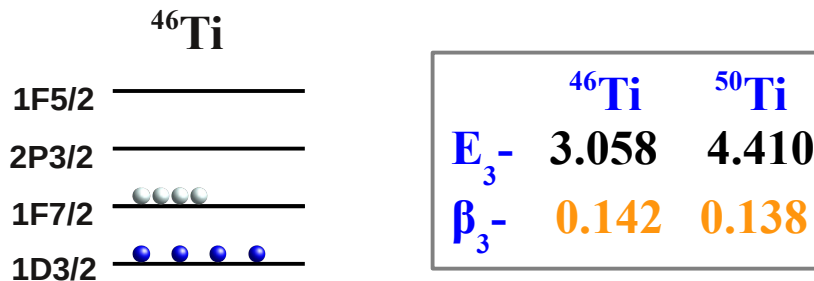
$\text{Sn}+\text{Ca}: Z_p Z_t = 1000$

$\text{Sn}+\text{Ni}: Z_p Z_t = 1400$, deep inelastic collisions?

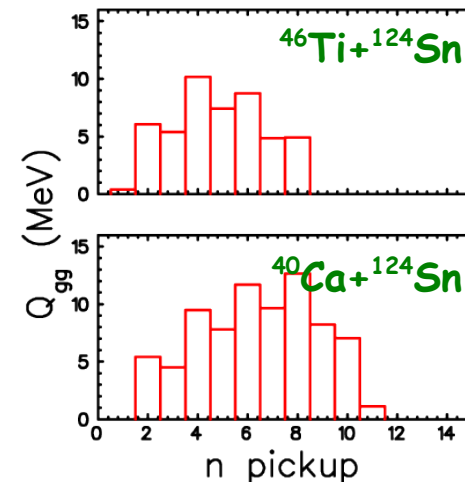


	^{32}S	^{40}Ca	^{58}Ni
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β_3^-	0.40	0.43	0.19

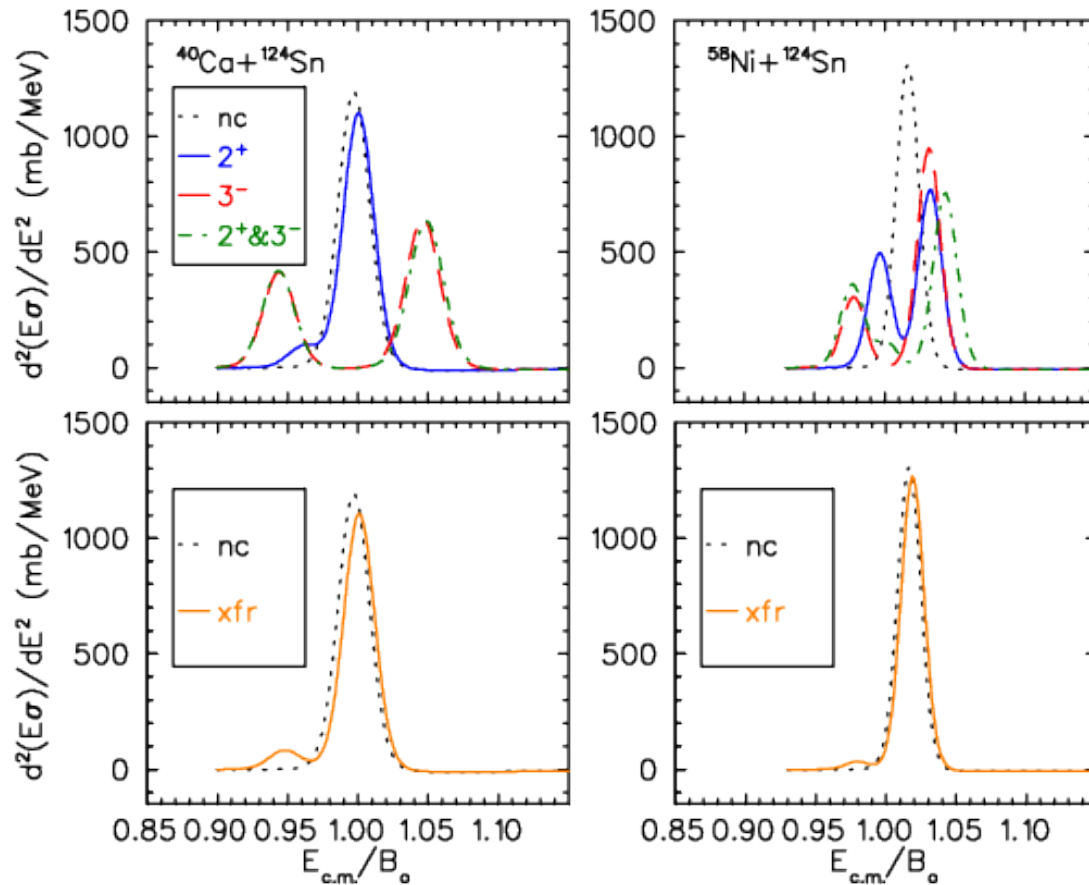
measure fusion excitation functions for $^{124}\text{Sn}+^{46,50}\text{Ti}$
 $Z_p Z_t = 1100$



	^{46}Ti	^{50}Ti
E_3^-	3.058	4.410
β_3^-	0.142	0.138



Coupled-Channels Analysis



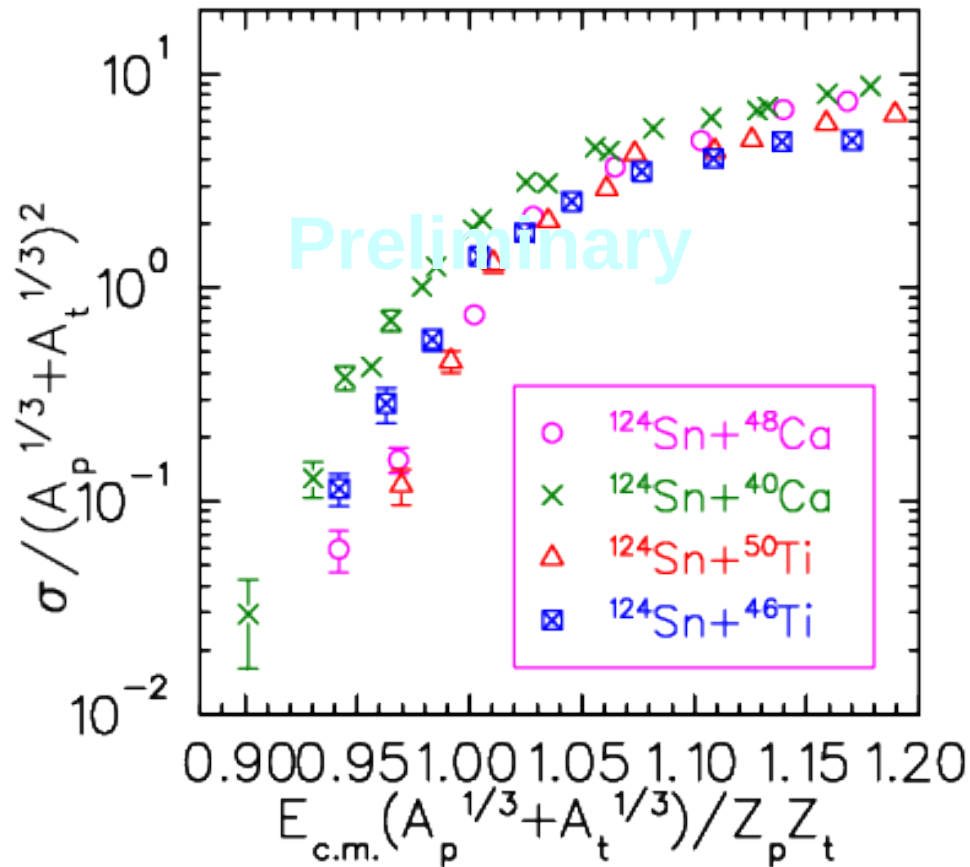
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- The peak position of the low energy barrier originated from coupling to the excitation of the 3^- state of Ca is much lower than that of Ni.
- The barrier resulted from coupling to transfer overlaps with that from coupling to the excitation of the 3^- state of Ca.
- The role of coupling to high-lying 3^- states

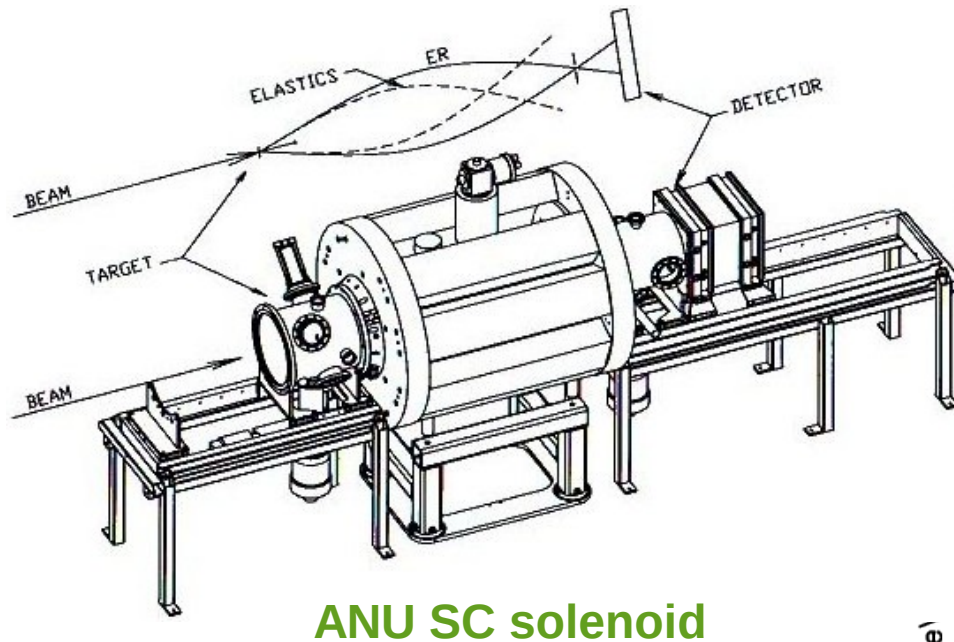
Rowley & Hagino, NPA834(2010)110c
Sonzogni et al., PRC57(1998)722

Fusion of $^{46,50}\text{Ti} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$

Compare $^{46,50}\text{Ti} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$ with $^{40}\text{Ca} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$ (Legnaro)

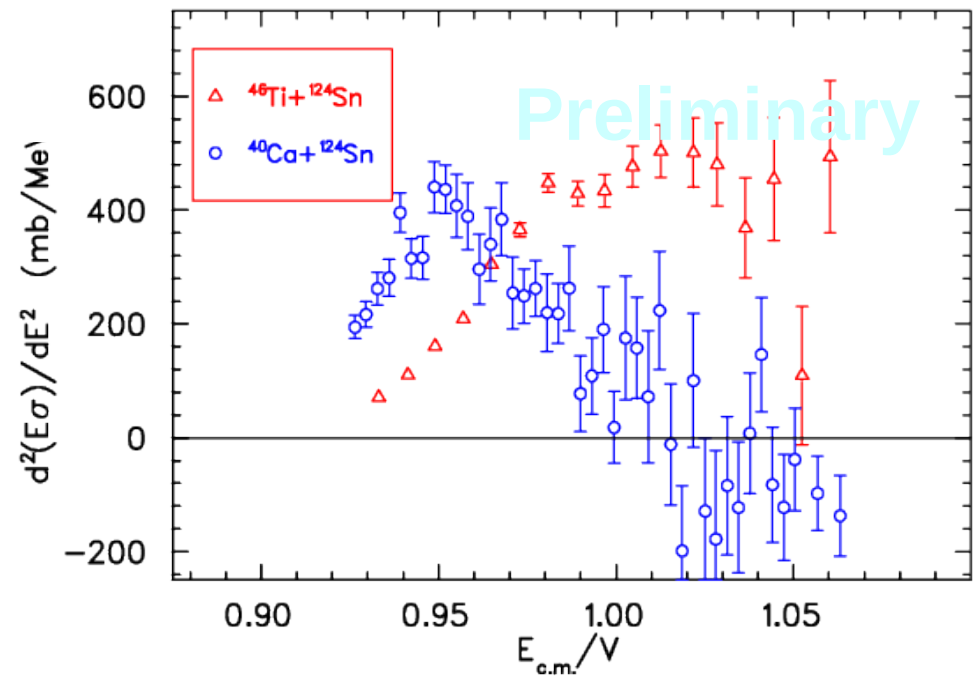


Fusion of $^{46,50}\text{Ti} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$



- Compare barrier distributions calculated by coupled-channels
- Measure neutron transfer for $^{46}\text{Ti} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$

Comparison of the barrier distributions for $^{40}\text{Ca} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$ (Legnaro) with $^{46}\text{Ti} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$



Summary

- Fusion excitation functions have been measured using neutron-rich radioactive Sn and Te on Ca and Ni targets.
- A large sub-barrier fusion enhancement has been observed in reactions with ^{40}Ca .
- Comparing to the fusion with ^{48}Ca , the enhancement in ^{40}Ca can be attributed to neutron transfer.
- The Q-values for multineutron transfer in $^{132}\text{Sn}+^{58}\text{Ni}$ are comparable to those in $^{132}\text{Sn}+^{40}\text{Ca}$ but the enhancement is smaller.
- Data analysis is in progress for the high precision measurement of fusion excitation function for $^{124}\text{Sn}+^{46}\text{Ti}$ to deduce the barrier distribution.

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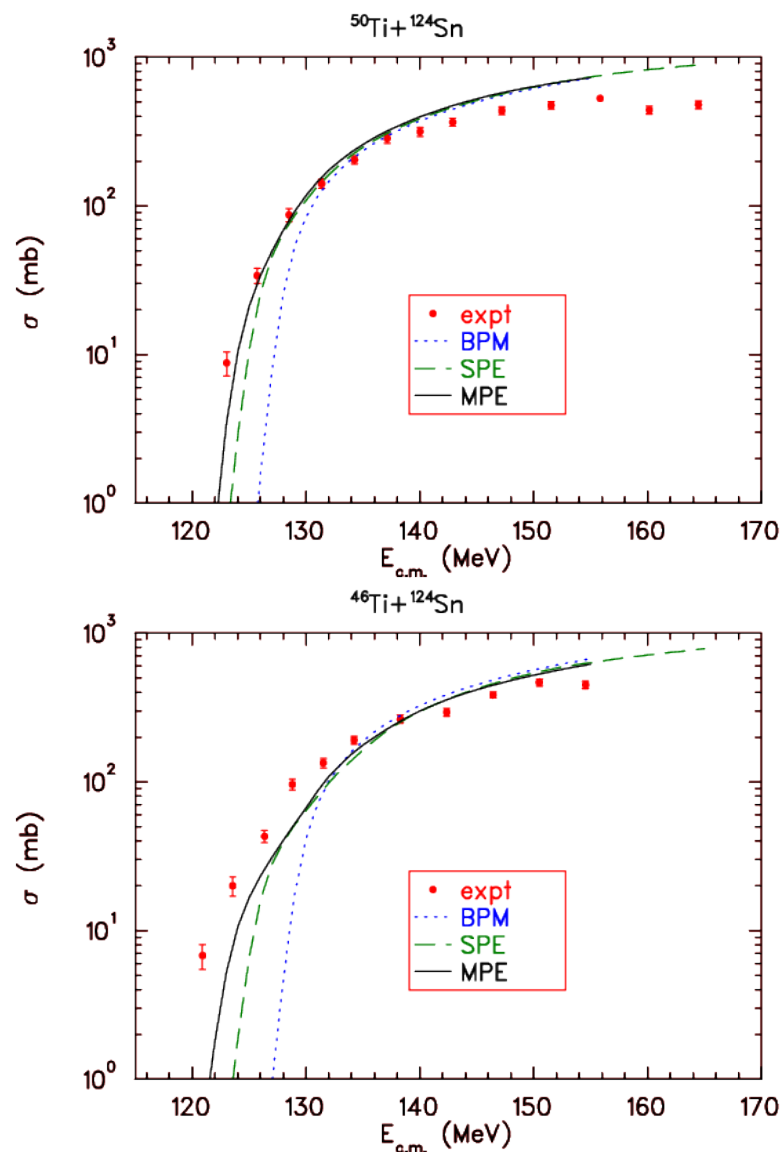
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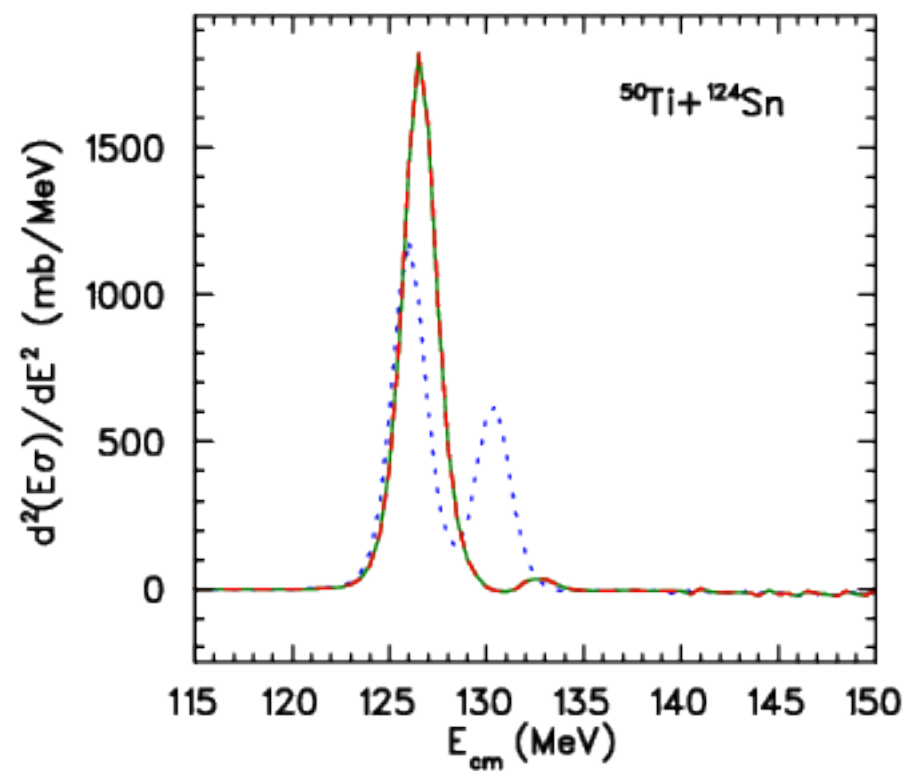
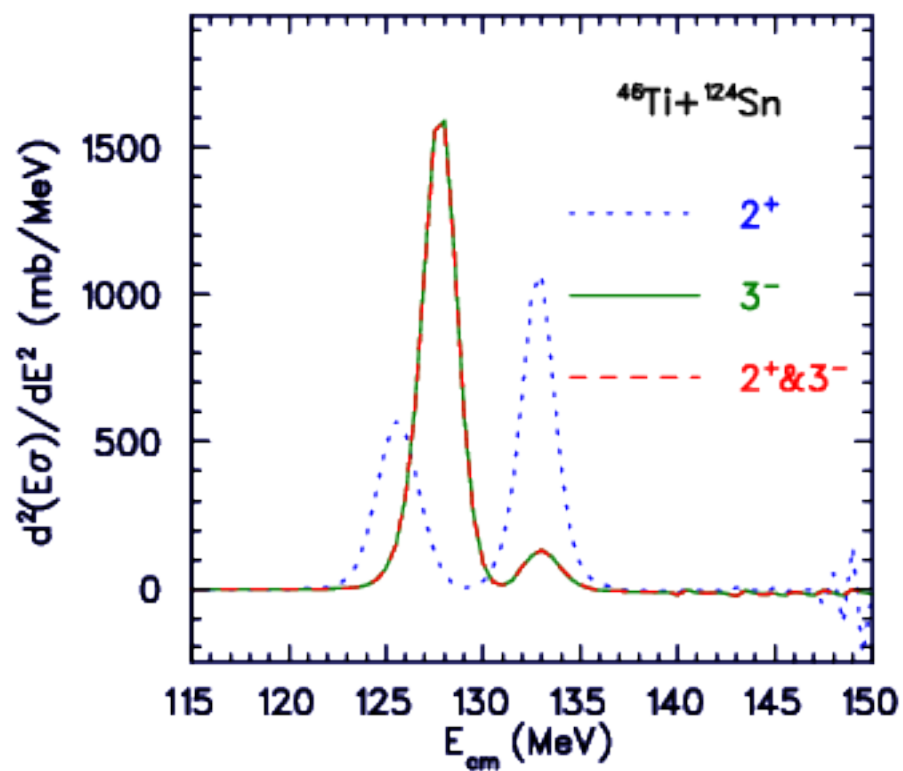
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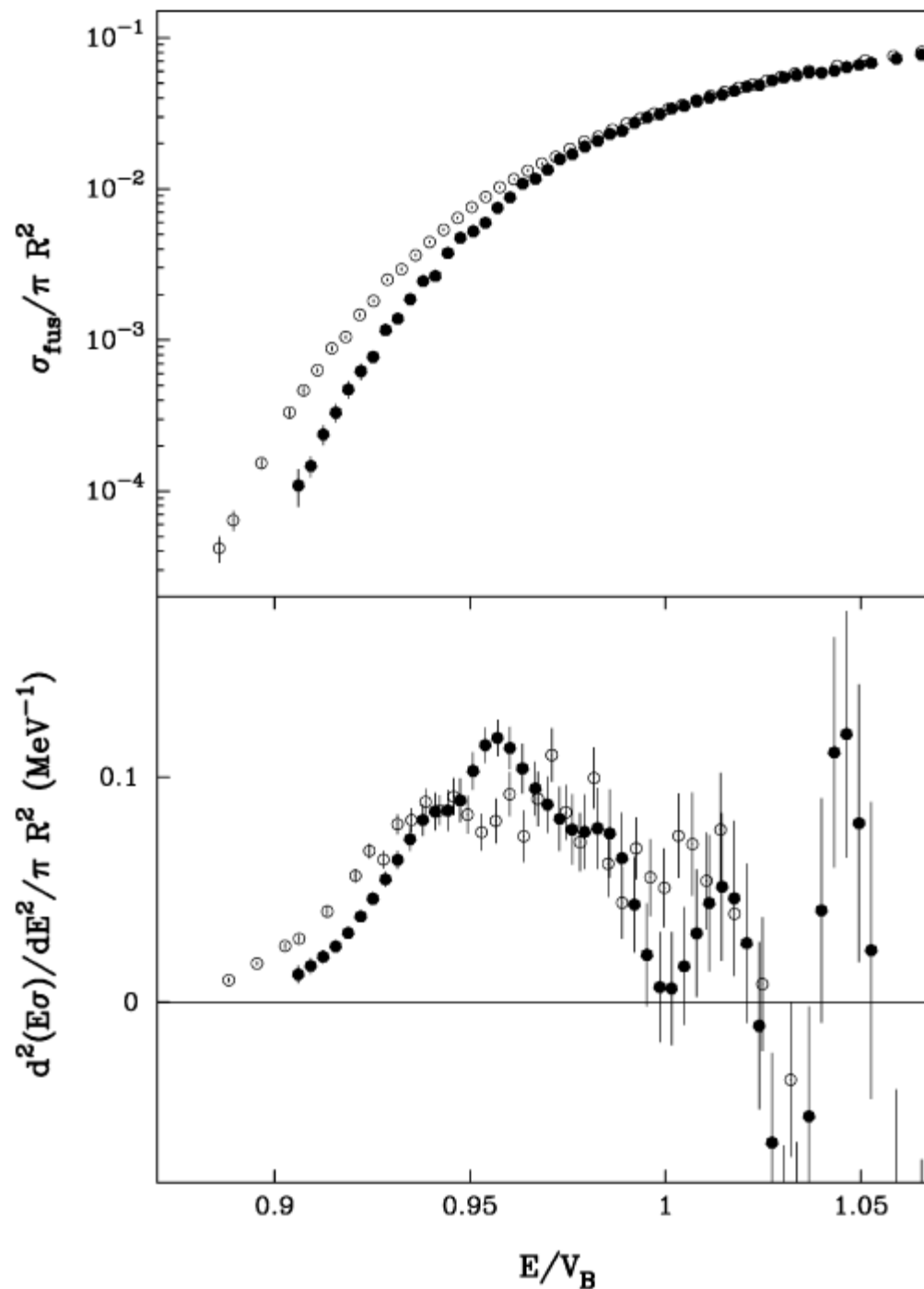
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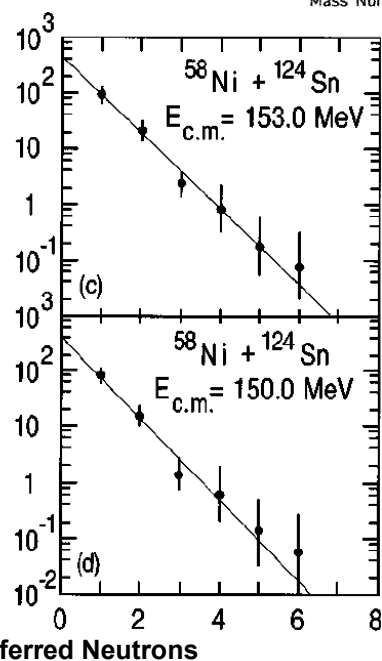
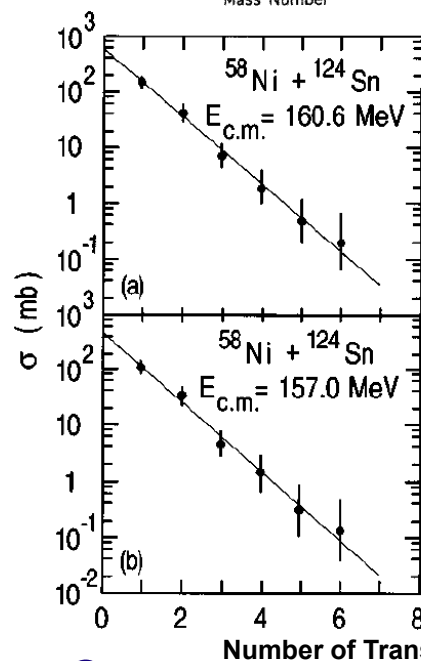
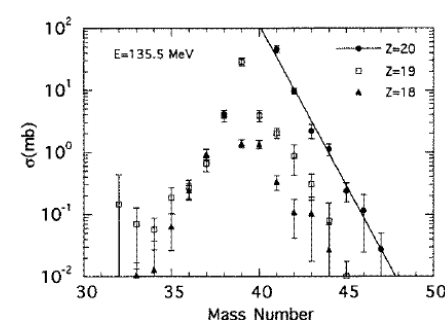
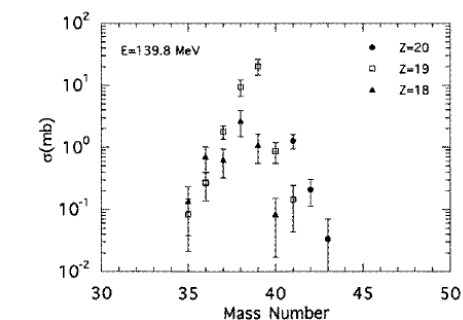
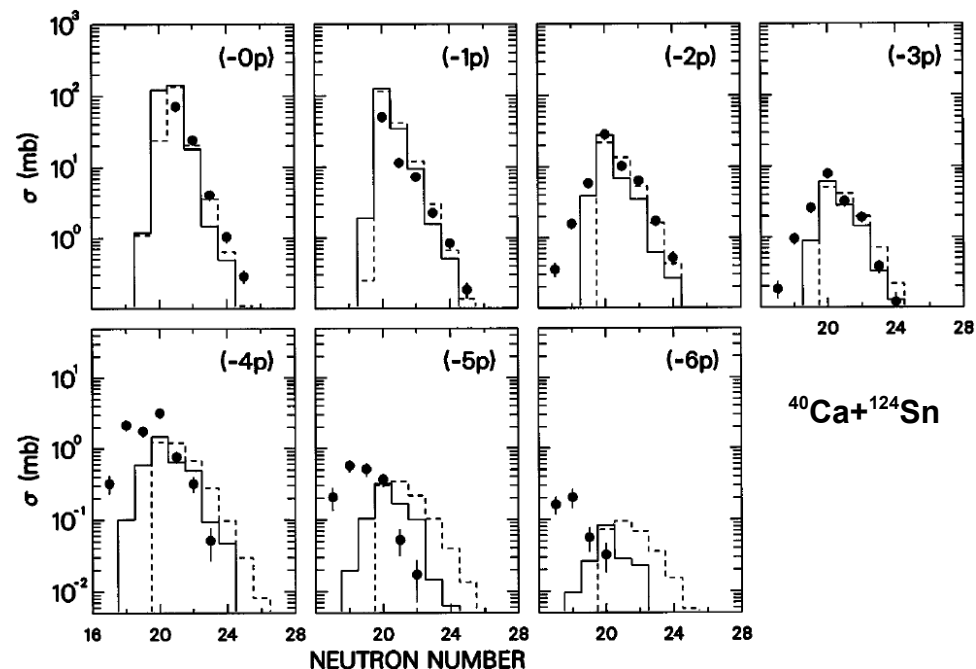
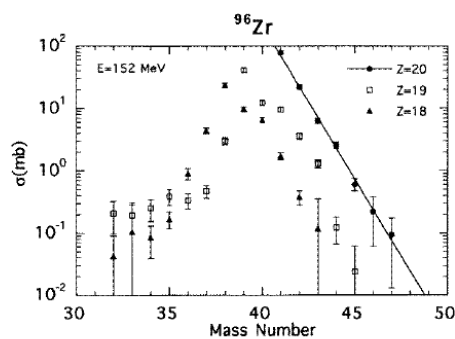
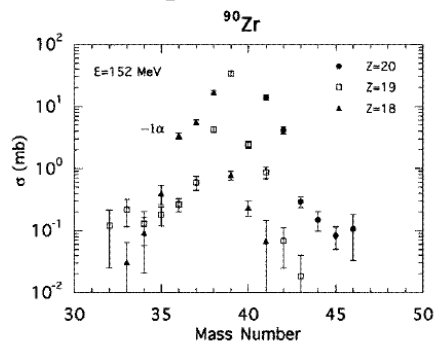
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- Transfer has been measured for $^{40}\text{Ca} + ^{90,96}\text{Zr}$, $^{40}\text{Ca} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$, and $^{58}\text{Ni} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$.
- Neutron transfer has large cross sections near the barrier.
- Transfer cross sections for $^{40}\text{Ca} + ^{90}\text{Zr}$ are small as expected from the Q-values.

Montagnoli et al., JPG23(1997)1431
Corradi et al., PRC54(1996)201
Jiang et al., PRC57(2098)2393