

# On the measurement of ${}^8\text{B}+{}^{64}\text{Zn}$ to investigate the proton halo dynamics

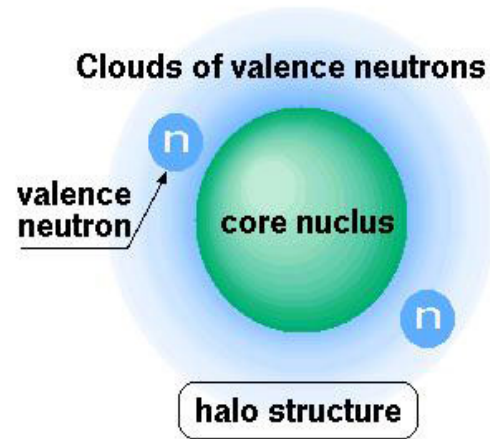
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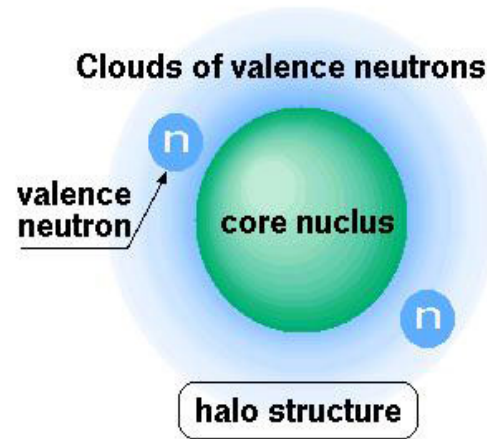
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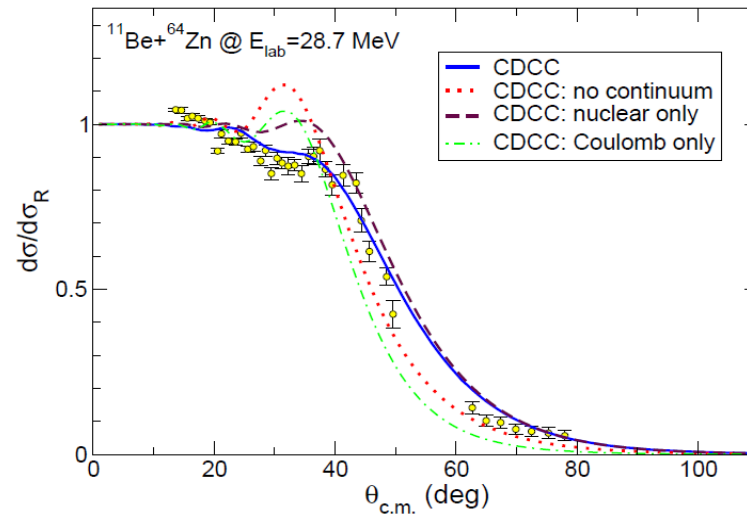
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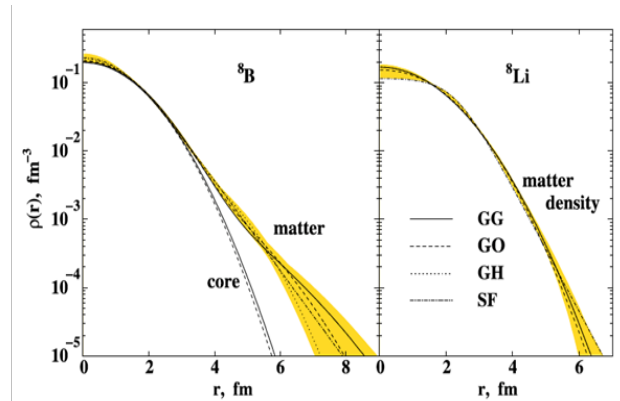
$^{11}\text{Be}+^{64}\text{Zn}$  ISOLDE experiment



Coulomb and nuclear  
long range absorption effects  
because of the halo.

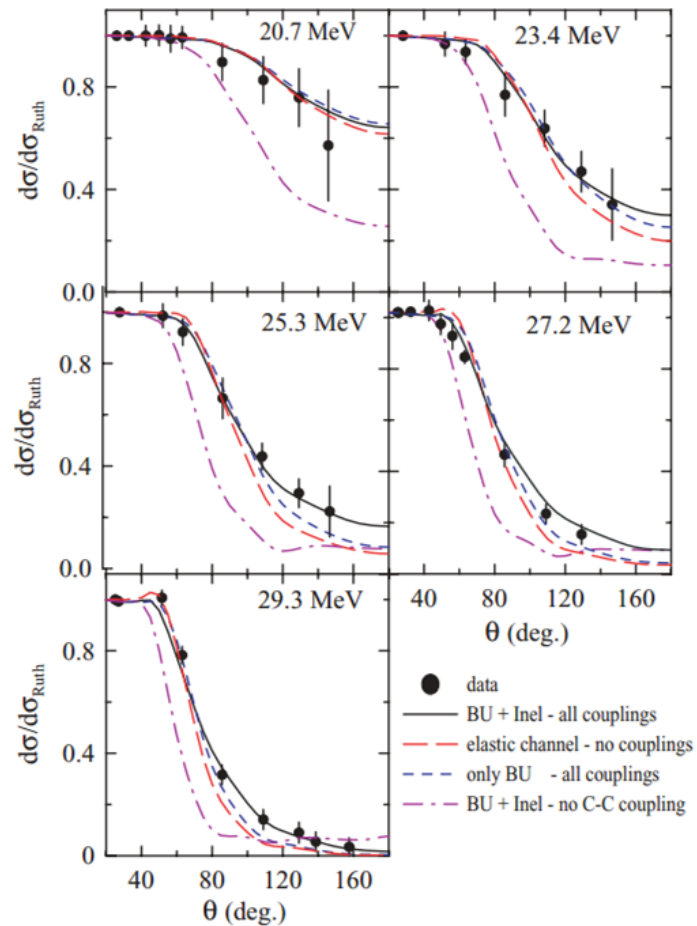
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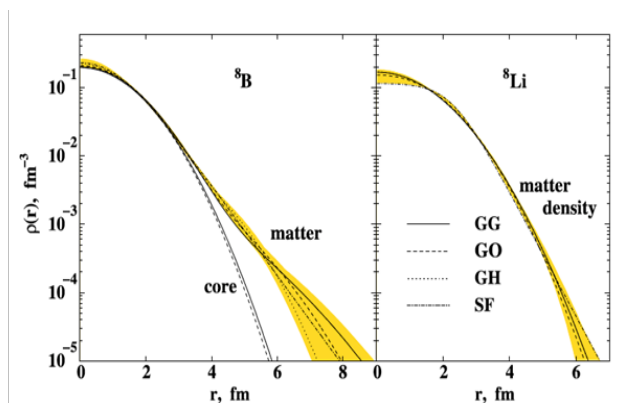
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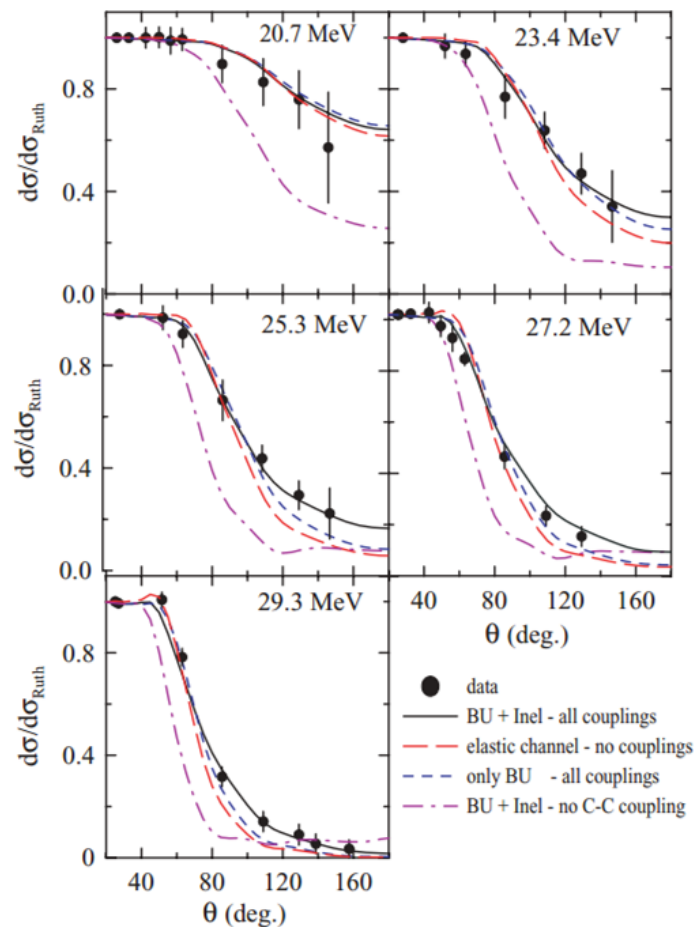
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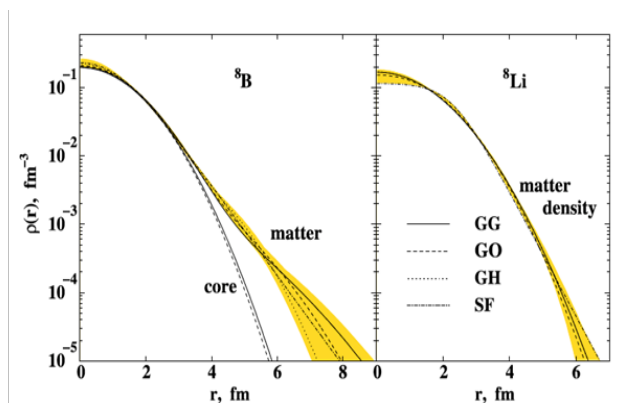
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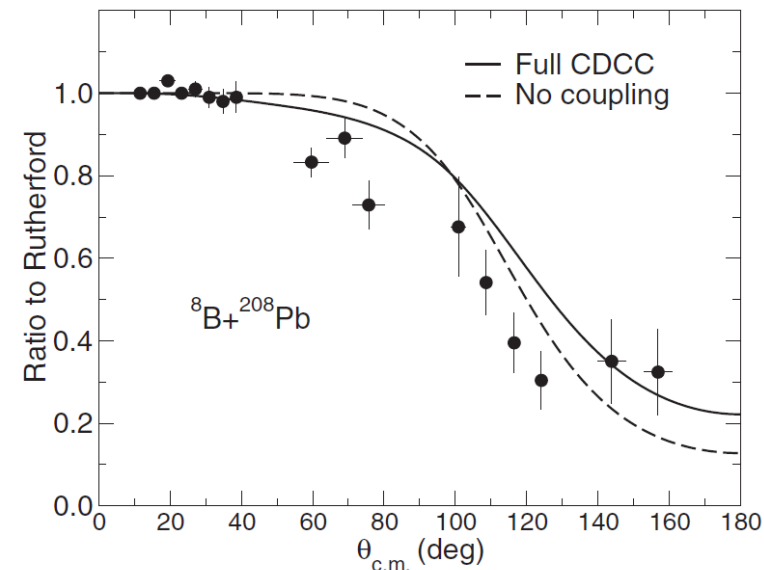


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M. Mazzocco et al. PRC 100 024602 (2019)  
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J. Lubian et al PRCC 79, 064605 (2009)  
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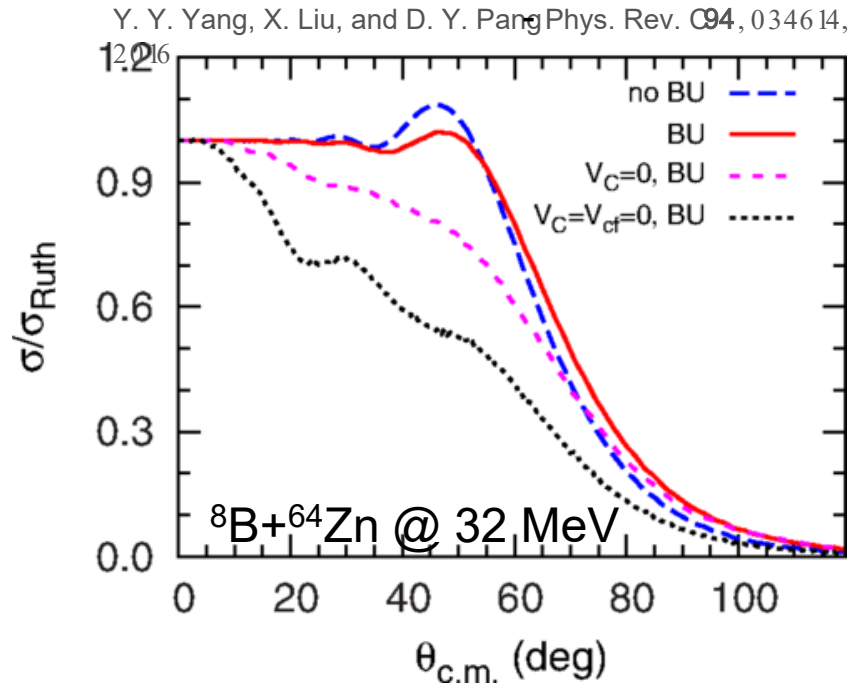
Scarce data in the literature.  
Only in-flight beams used so far

(ISOLDE has the only ISOL  $^8\text{B}$  beam)

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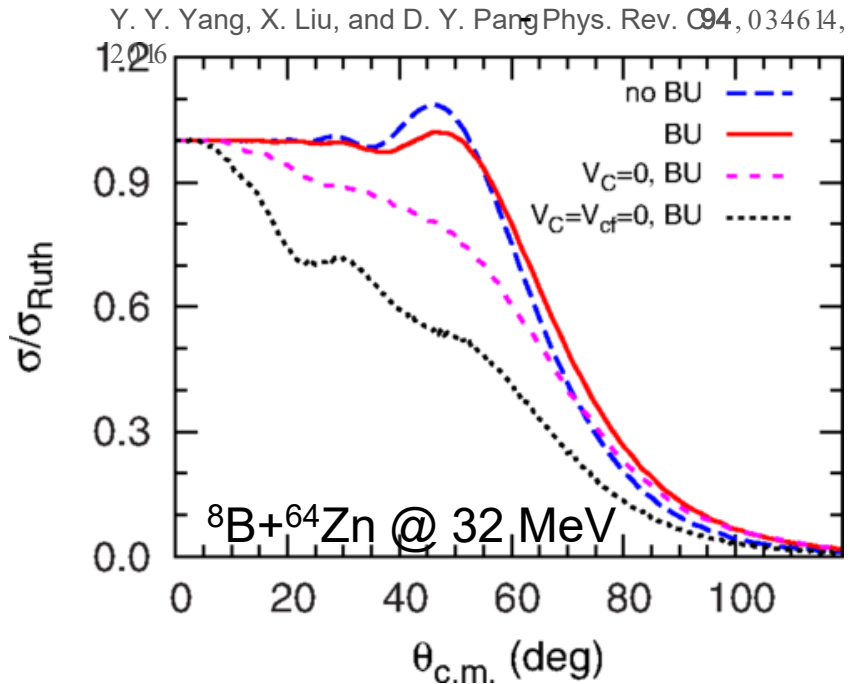
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$^8\text{B}+^{64}\text{Zn} @ E_{\text{lab}} \approx 4.5 \text{ MeV/u} @ \text{INTC 2016}$

*Improvements proposed:*

- $^8\text{B}$  post-accelerated ISOL beam
- Large solid angle + high granularity  $\rightarrow$  good angular resolution
- careful mapping of the El. Scattering angular distribution
- Be and p in singles + coincidence (first time)  
 $\rightarrow$  measure and disentangle EBU/NEB (transfer, incomplete fusion....)

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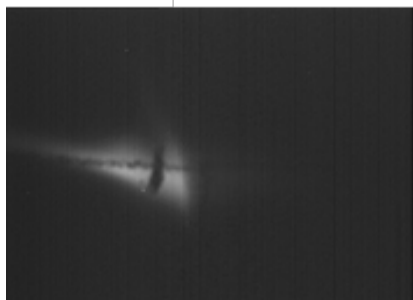
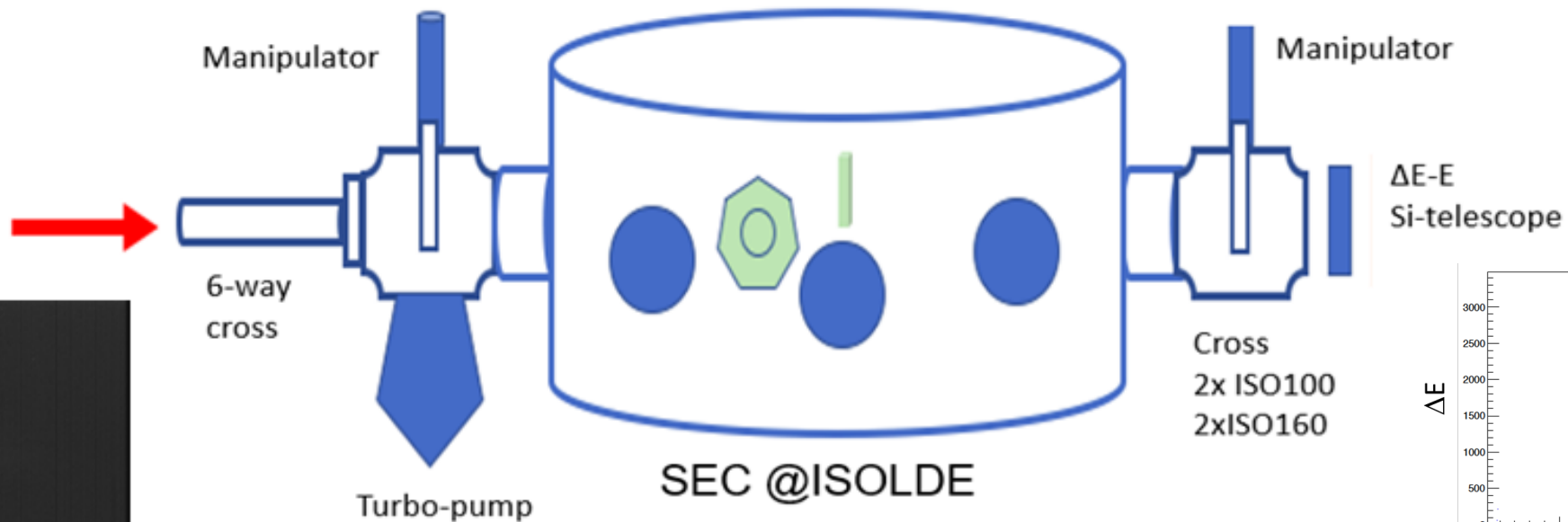
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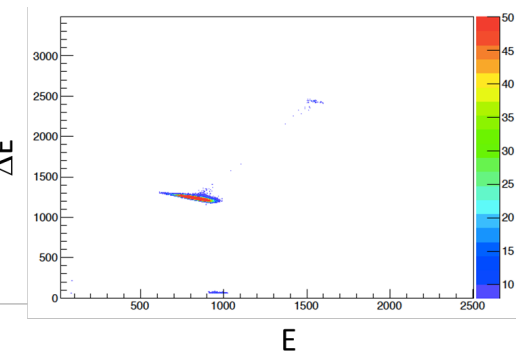
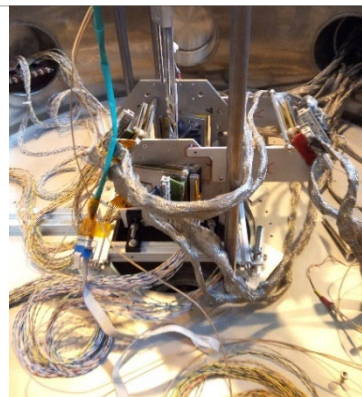
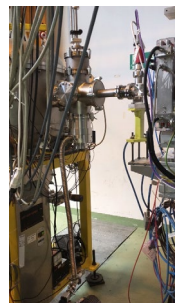
- Entrance:
- Camera
  - F-cup with current measure
  - Different collimators (12,10,8 mm)

- Target position:
- F-cup with current measure
  - Collimators

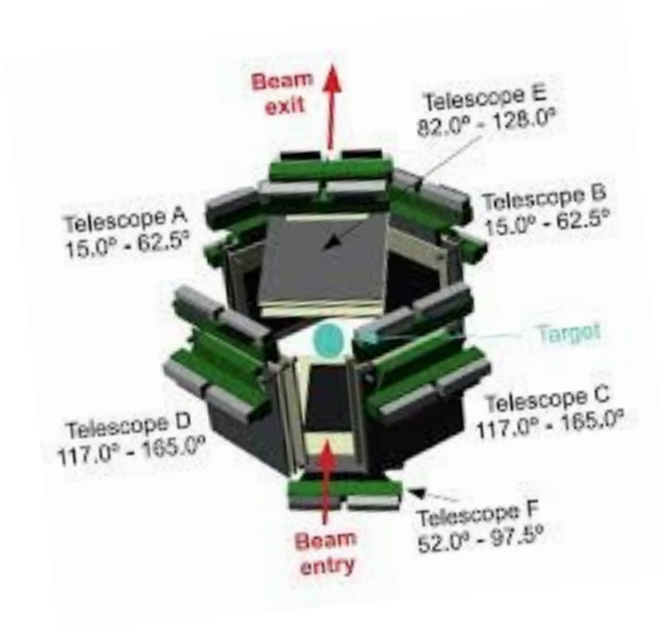
- Exit:
- Pepper pots
  - F-cup with current measure
  - Empty



$^{12}\text{C}$  beam



# Gloria



*Telescope A moved at smaller angles ( $5.5^\circ < \theta < 23^\circ$ ) using an extension*

Detection system:

- 2  $\Delta E1$ - $\Delta E2$ -Epad telescope  $\theta < 60^\circ$
- 4  $\Delta E1$ -E Si telescopes at  $\theta > 60^\circ$

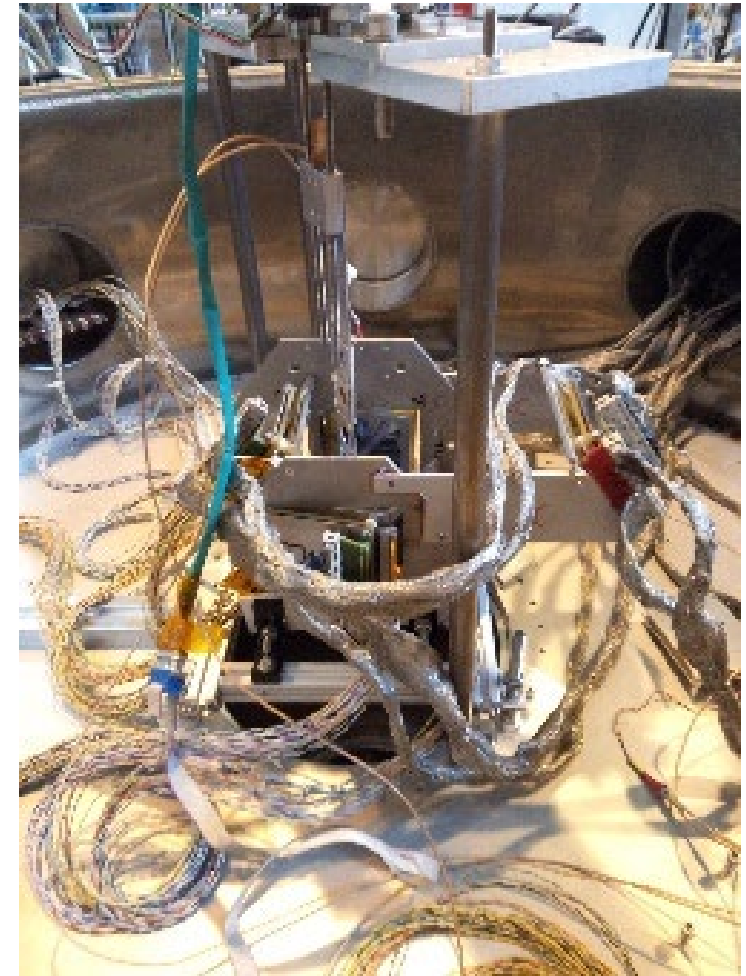
with:

$\Delta E1$ : 40  $\mu\text{m}$  DSSSD detector (16+16 strips)

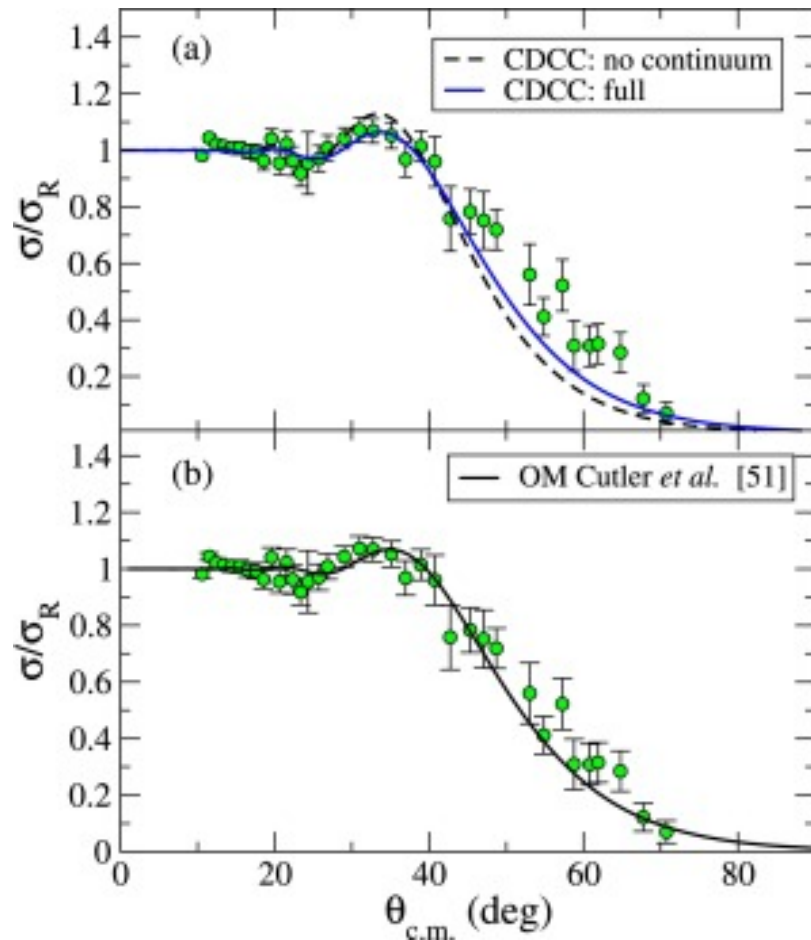
$\Delta E2$ : 1000  $\mu\text{m}$  DSSSD (16+16 strips)

$E_{\text{pad}}$ : Si PAD detector 1000  $\mu\text{m}$

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# Elastic scattering results



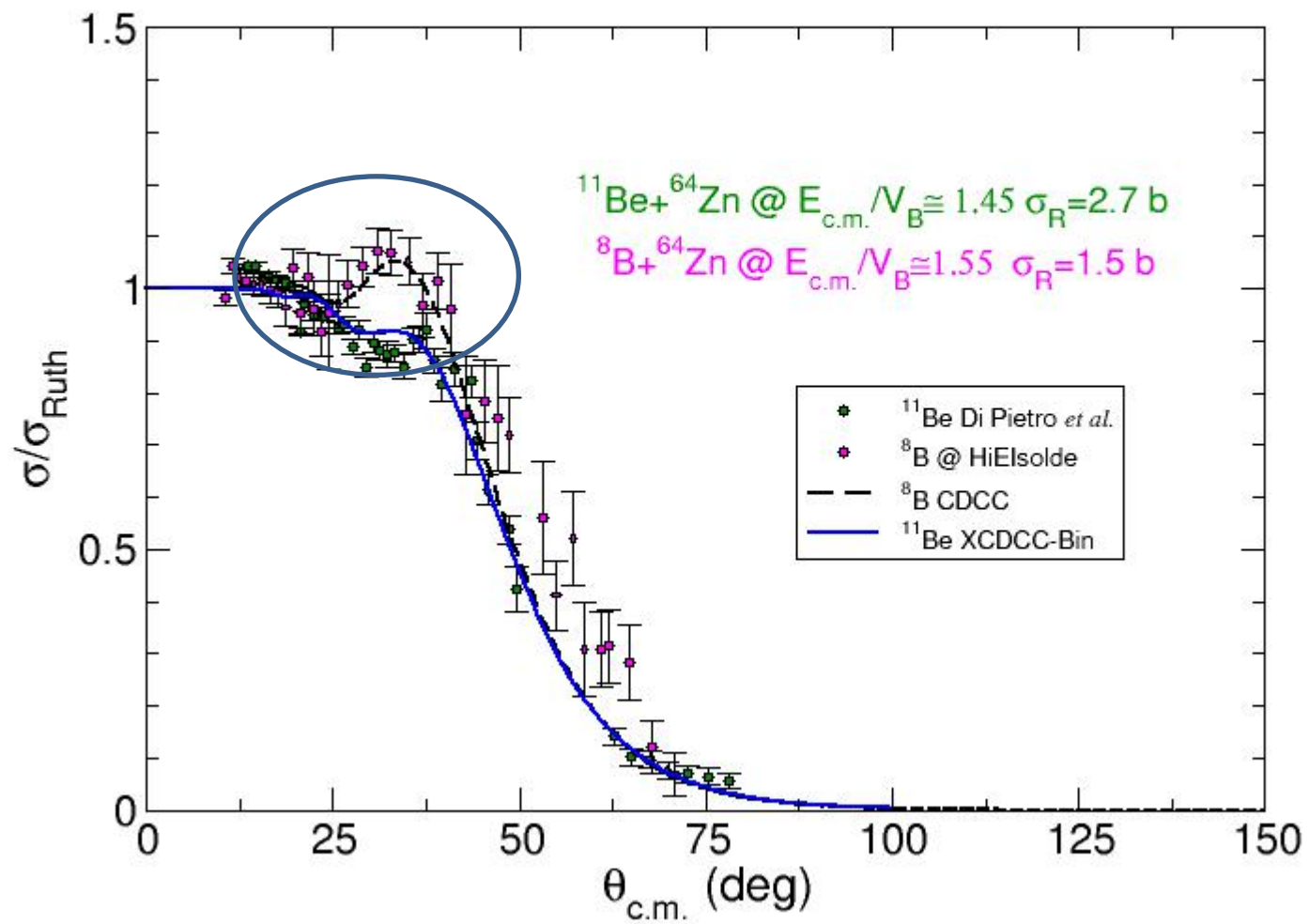
Angular distribution steps:  
for  $\theta \leq 25^\circ$  at steps of  $\theta = 1^\circ$   
for  $\theta > 25^\circ$  at steps of  $\theta = 2^\circ$

Anyway better than foreseen:  ${}^8\text{B}$  1/10 of the expected intensity (400 pps)!!

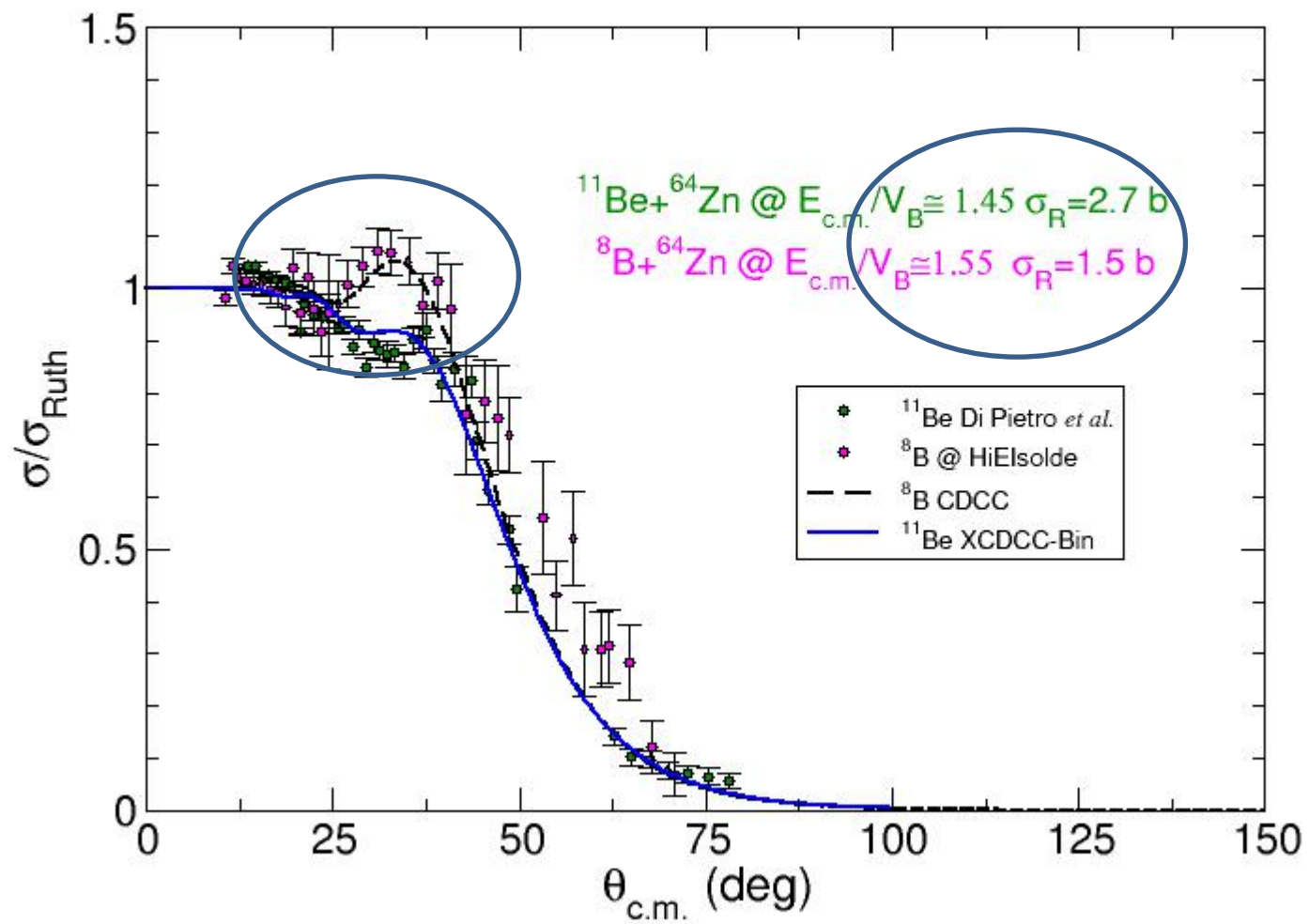
No suppression of the elastic cross section opposite to  ${}^{11}\text{Be}$   
*the halo effect on the rainbow peak is SMALL*

→ as foreseen by calculation  
& in disagreement with previous experimental results

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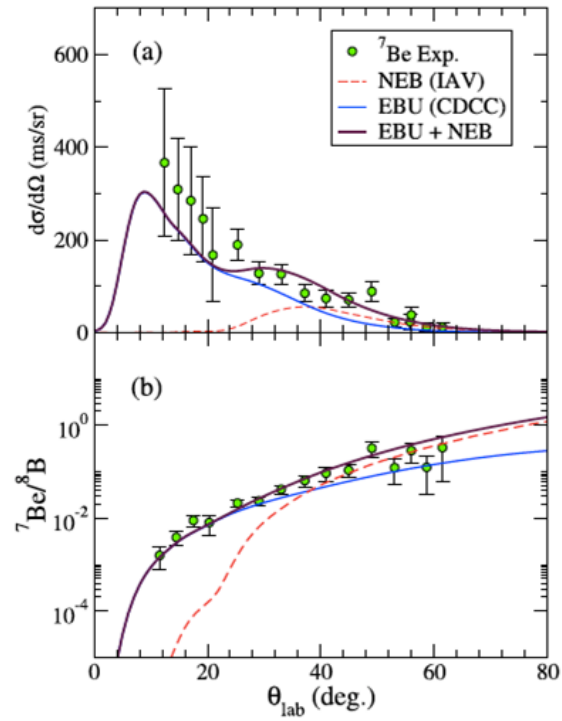


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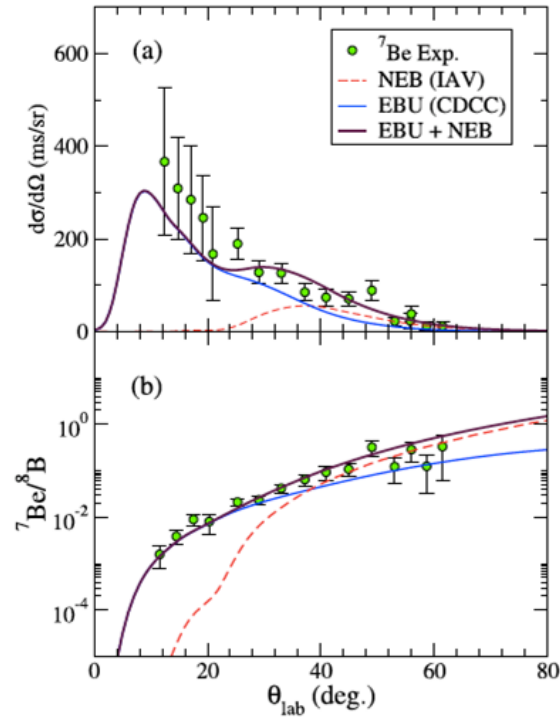
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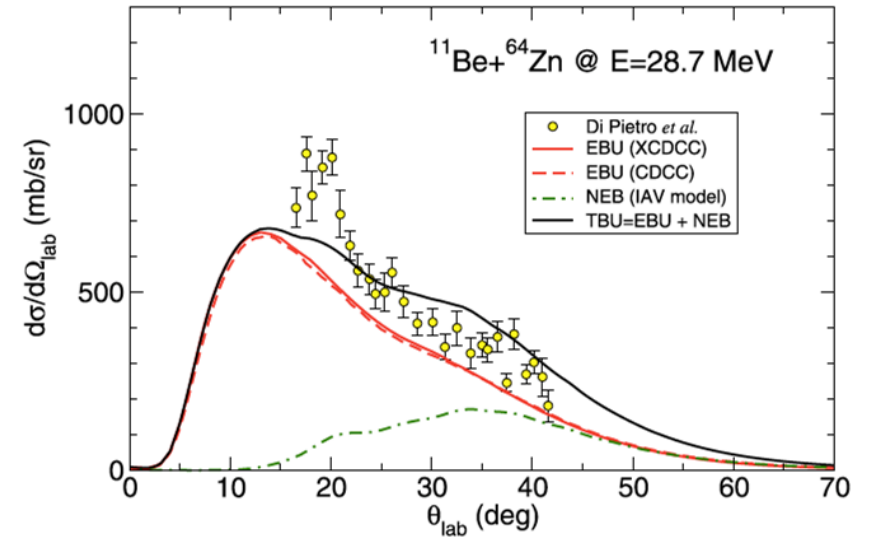
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$$\sigma_{\text{BU}8\text{B}} \ll \sigma_{\text{BU}11\text{Be}}$$

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$^{10}\text{Be}$  angular distribution



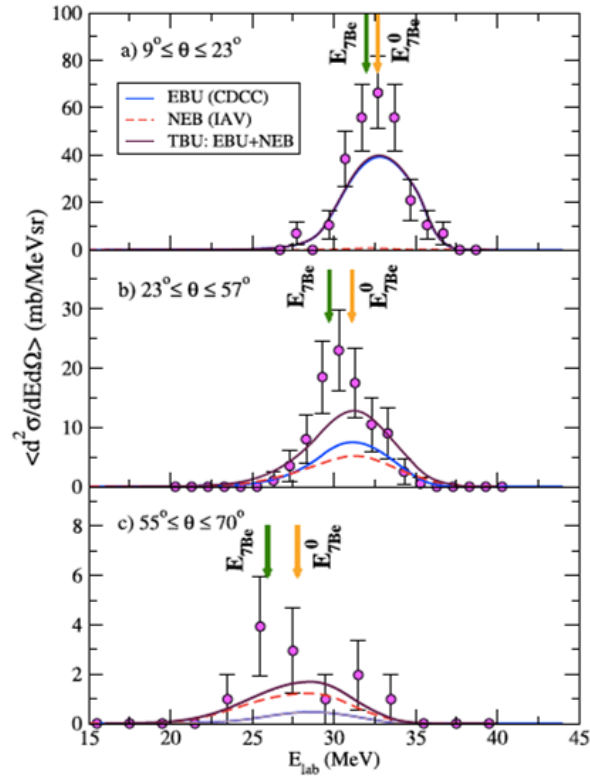
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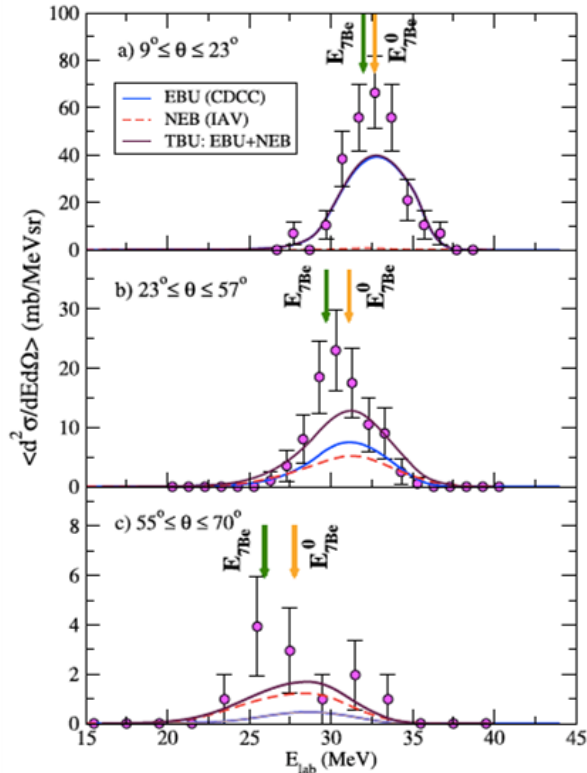
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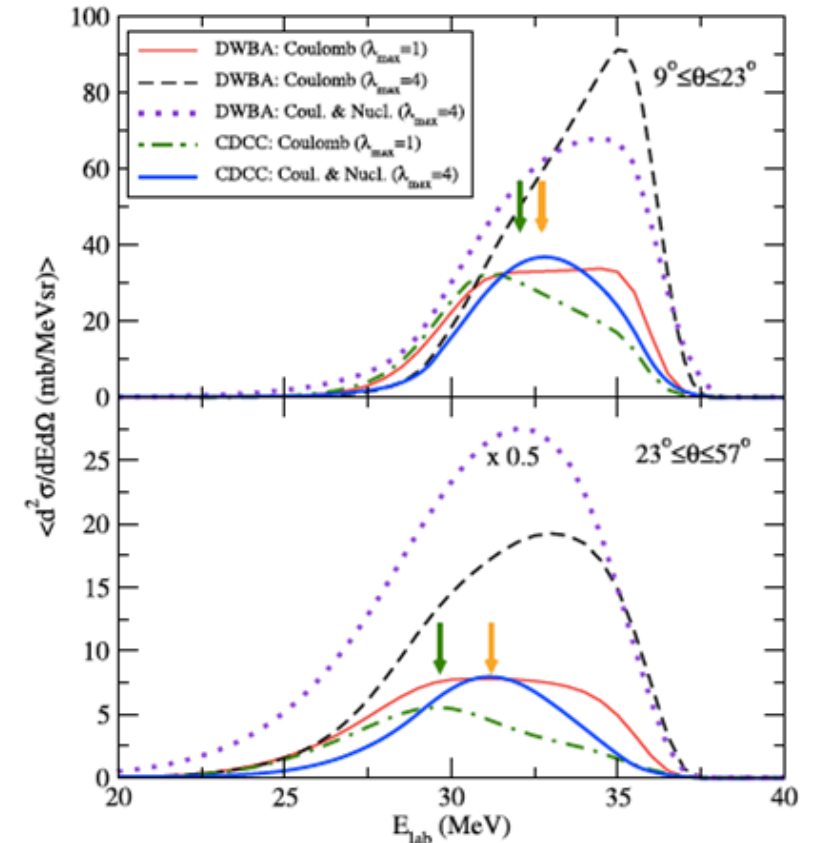
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Comparison of first order (DWBA) with all-orders (CDCC) calculations including only E1 Coulomb couplings confirms the deceleration effect predicted by the classical model.

However, when higher Coulomb multipoles and nuclear couplings are considered no apparent acceleration or deceleration of the  $^7\text{Be}$  fragment with respect to the  $^8\text{B}$  c.m. motion is expected. (other experiments with different mass of the target? coincidences?)

→ semiclassical approximation is not enough

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