

Measurement of nuclide production cross sections via the $^{208}\text{Pb}(p,X)$ reactions at GeV-energy proton incidence

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Introduction

Accelerator-Driven System (ADS)

Transmutation of nuclear waste

Radiation safety at ADS facility by JAEA

Estimation of residual γ -ray dose rate

-> **Nuclide production cross section**

Systematic measurements at J-PARC¹⁻⁸

GeV-energy proton + targets

Examples of targets (candidate materials) and their usage

Pb, Bi	LBE
Ti, Nb	Accelerator Cavity
Cr, Fe, Zn, Mo	Proton beam window
Al, Si, Cu, Zn	Beam duct

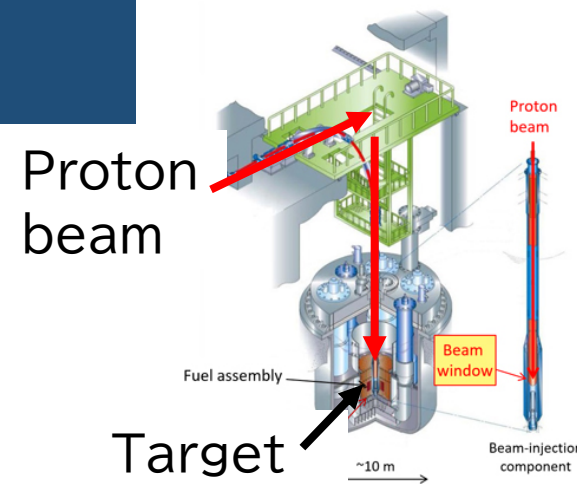
Target in this study: ^{208}Pb instead of $^{\text{nat}}\text{Pb}$

1. Contained in LBE

2. Simplify the nuclear reaction

and deepen the understanding of it

Accelerator Driven System (ADS)



Proton beam
Target
Concept of ADS

Conditions of ADS by JAEA

E_p [GeV]	1.5
Power [MW]	30
Neutron-production target/Coolant	LBE*

* Lead-Bismuth Eutectic

H																			He	
Li	Be																			
Na	Mg																			
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr			
Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe			
Cs	Ba	La-Lu	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn			
Fr	Ra	Ac-Lr	Rf	Db	Sg	Bh	Hs	Mt	Ds	Rh	Cn	Nh	Fl	Mc	Lv	Ts	Og			

Blue filled: already published
Green filled: Exp. currently
Red filled: Analysis completed

Measured data list

- 1) H. Matsuda *et al.*, JNST 55(8), (2018), pp. 955-961.
- 2) H. Takeshita *et al.*, NIM B 511, (2022), pp. 30-41.
- 3) H. Takeshita *et al.*, NIM B 527, (2022), pp. 17-27.
- 4) H. Matsuda *et al.*, JPS Conf. Proc. 33, (2021), 011047.
- 5) H. Iwamoto *et al.*, EPJ Web of Conf. 284, (2023), 01033.
- 6) K. Sugihara *et al.*, NIM B 545, (2023), 165153.
- 7) K. Sugihara *et al.*, NIM B (in press).
- 8) K. Nakano *et al.*, JAEA-Research, 2021-014.

Introduction

Predictions based on theories

PHITS⁹: INCL¹⁰, JAM¹¹, GEM¹²

Library: JENDL/HE-2007¹³

Empirical formula: SPACS¹⁴

Without Exp. data, reliability is unclear.

-> Benchmark study is still necessary.

$^{208}\text{Pb}(p,X)$ reaction

Number of preceding study: unsatisfactory

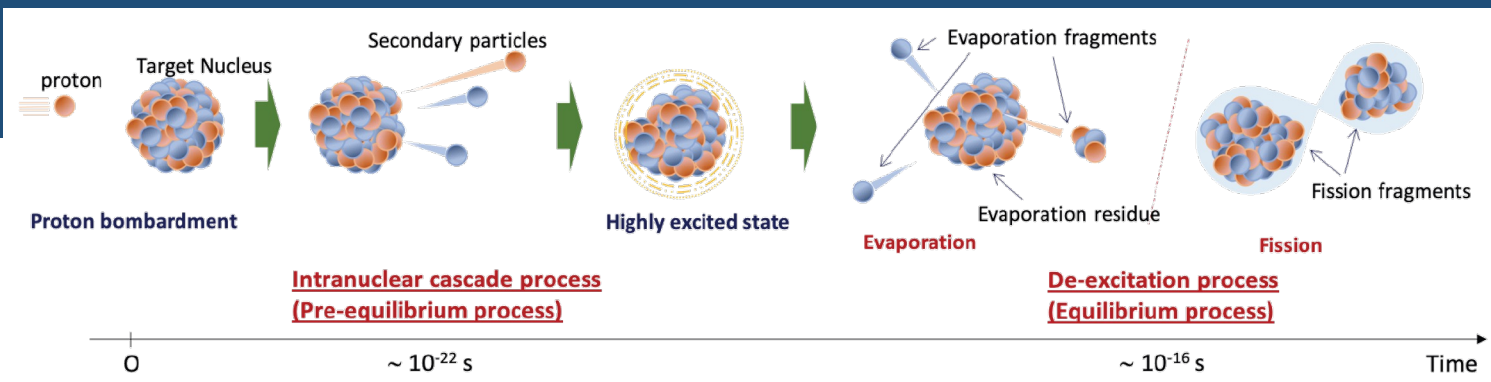
-> Accumulating the measured data

of the $^{208}\text{Pb}(p,X)$ reactions

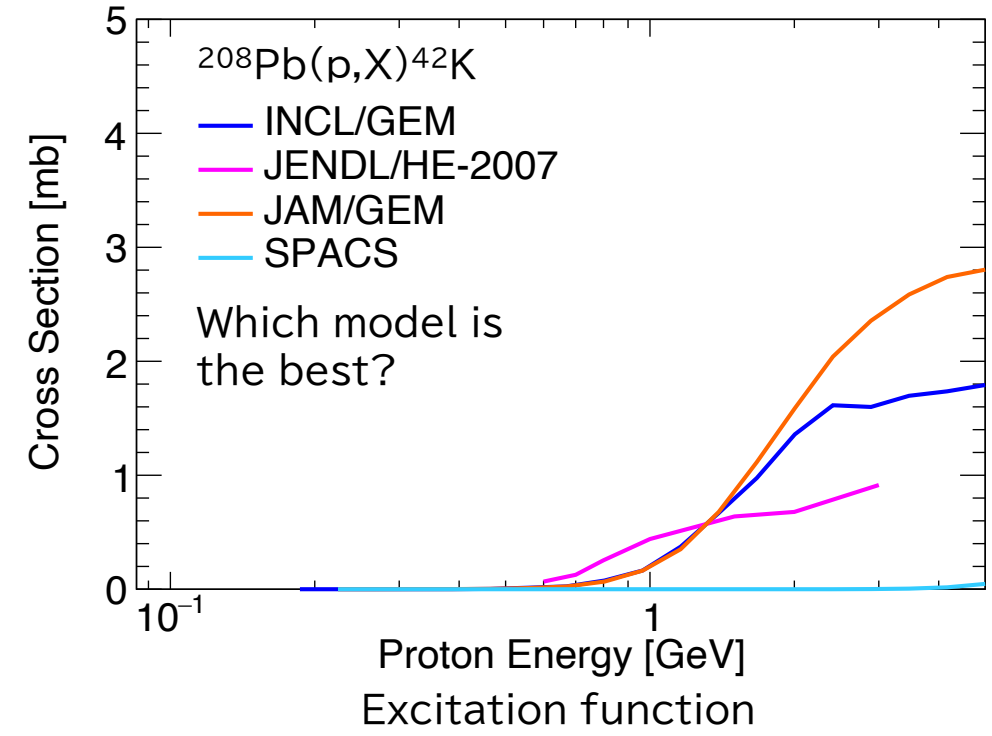
Confirming the prediction accuracy of models

Purpose of this study

1. Measurement of the $^{208}\text{Pb}(p,X)$ reactions
2. Comparison among our present data, previous studies, and aforementioned models



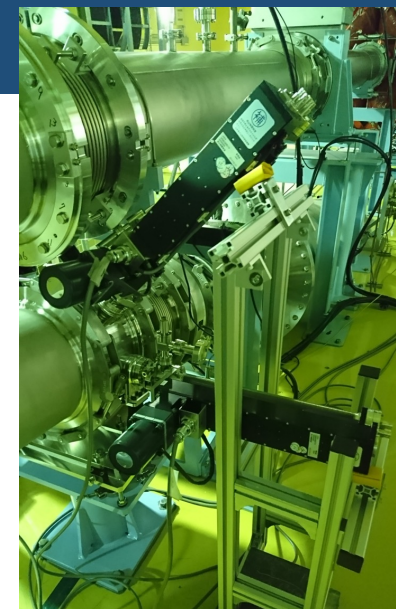
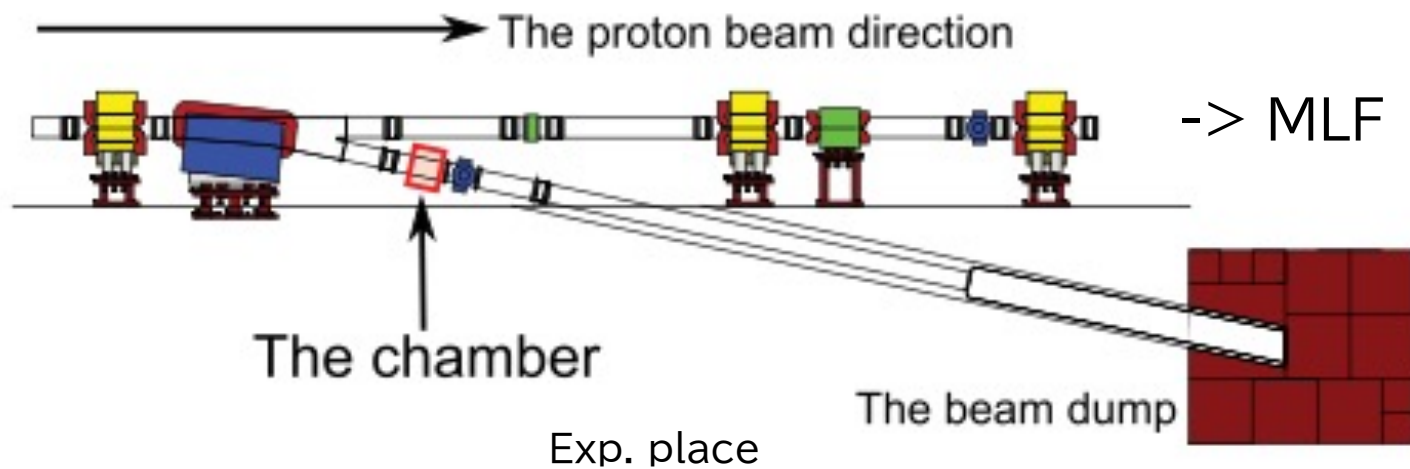
Nuclear reaction process



9) T. Sato *et al.*, JNST 61(1), (2024), pp. 127-135.
10) A. Boudard *et al.*, PRC 87, (2013), 014606.
11) Y. Nara *et al.*, PRC 61, (1999), 024901.
12) S. Furihata, NIM B 171, (2000), pp. 251-258.
13) Y. Watanabe *et al.*, JKPS 59, (2011), pp. 1040-1045.
14) C. Schmitt *et al.*, PRC 90, (2014), 064605.

Experiment

Beam dump line near the extraction port of 3 GeV RCS



Target chamber

Incident proton condition

E_p : 0.4, 1.3, 2.2, 3.0 GeV

t_{irrad} : 100 sec

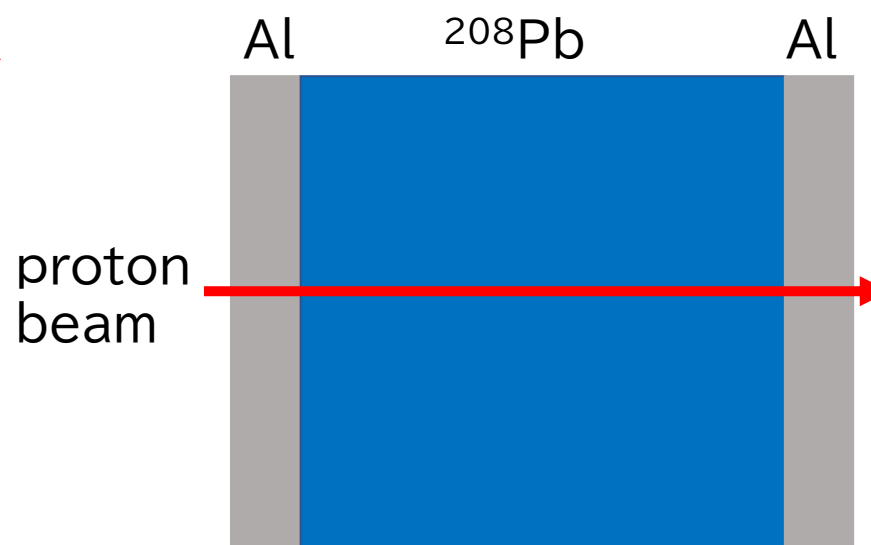
N_p : 1.1×10^{14} protons

^{208}Pb target conditions

Size: 25 x 25 x 0.38 mm³

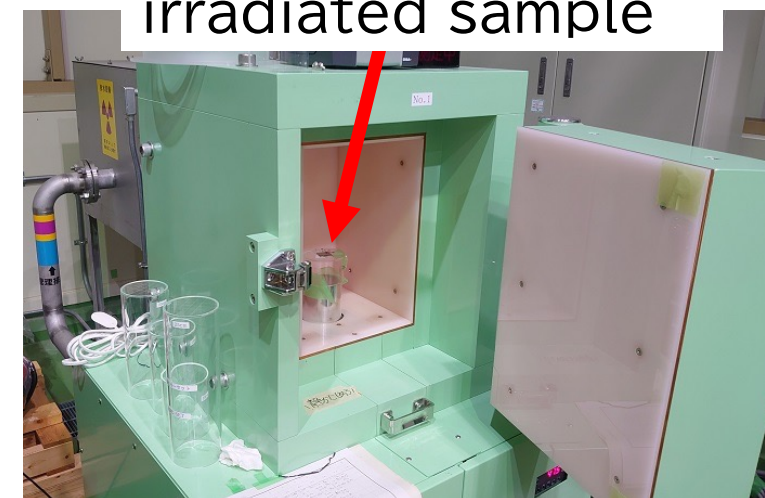
Weight: 2.5 g

Cover: 0.1-mm-thick Al



Target foil structure

Holder of irradiated sample



HPGe detector

Data analysis

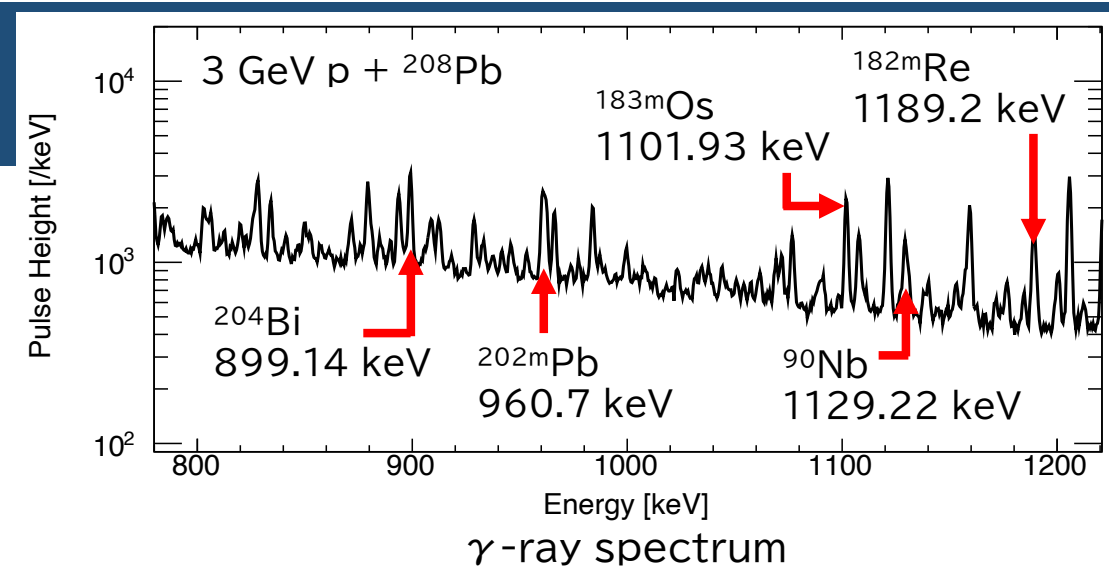
1. Obtain the net area of objective nuclides
2. Determine N_0 of attenuation curve ($N_0 e^{-\lambda t}$)
(N_0 : the number of nuclides at $t=0$,
 λ : decay constant)
3. Derive the cross sections

$$\sigma = \frac{f_{abs} f_{sec} f_{esc} N_0}{n f_{beam} N_p}$$

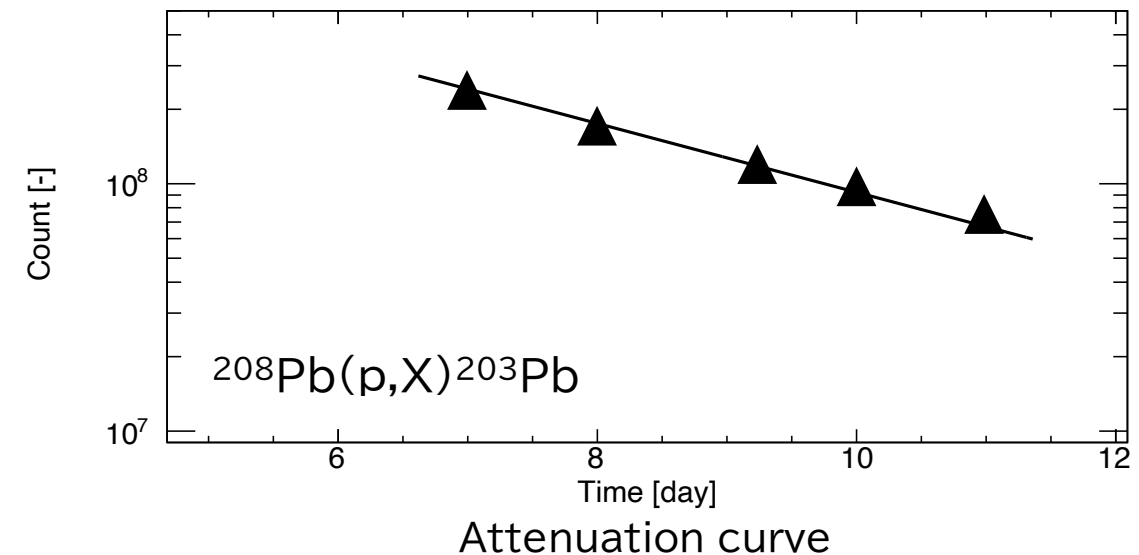
Uncertainty of Exp. data

1. Fitting parameter
2. Proton beam intensity* (2%)
3. Branching ratio
4. Standard γ -ray source intensity (2.5%)

* Monitor reactions, uncertainties of which are about 10%, were used to get the proton intensity in references. Thus, J-PARC has the advantage to measure the Exp. data with smaller uncertainties.



σ : cross section [mb], n : areal density of ^{208}Pb [/cm²]
 N_p : proton beam intensity, f_{abs} : factor of self-absorption
 f_{beam} : factor of proton beam intensity (imaging plate)
 f_{esc} : factor of incoming and outgoing nuclei (PHITS)
 f_{sec} : factor of secondary particles (PHITS)



Obtained nuclides

H																	He
Li	Be 1											B	C	N	O	F	Ne
Na 2	Mg 1											Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar
K 2	Ca 1	Sc 2	Ti	V 1	Cr 1	Mn 1,1	Fe 1,1	Co 1,1,1	Ni 1	Cu	Zn 2,1	Ga 1	Ge 1	As 2,1	Se 2	Br 1	Kr
Rb 2,1	Sr 3	Y 1,3	Zr 3,1	Nb 3,1	Mo 1	Tc 1,1	Ru 2	Rh 2,2	Pd	Ag 1,1	Cd	In 1,1	Sn 1,2	Sb 1,1,1	Te 2,3	I 2	Xe 2
Cs 2	Ba 1,1		Hf 3	Ta 4	W	Re 3	Os 1,3	Ir 1,4	Pt 3,1	Au 1,2,3	Hg 3,3	Tl 6,2	Pb 4,1	Bi 4	Po	At	Rn
Fr	Ra	Ac-Lr	Rf	Db	Sg	Bh	Hs	Mt	Ds	Rh	Cn	Nh	Fl	Mc	Lv	Ts	Og
			La 1	Ce 2,1	Pr 1	Nd	Pm 1	Sm	Eu 2,4	Gd 5	Tb 1,7	Dy 4	Ho	Er 1	Tm 4	Yb 1	Lu 3

red: first data
green: above 1 GeV first
black: already measured
 in previous studies

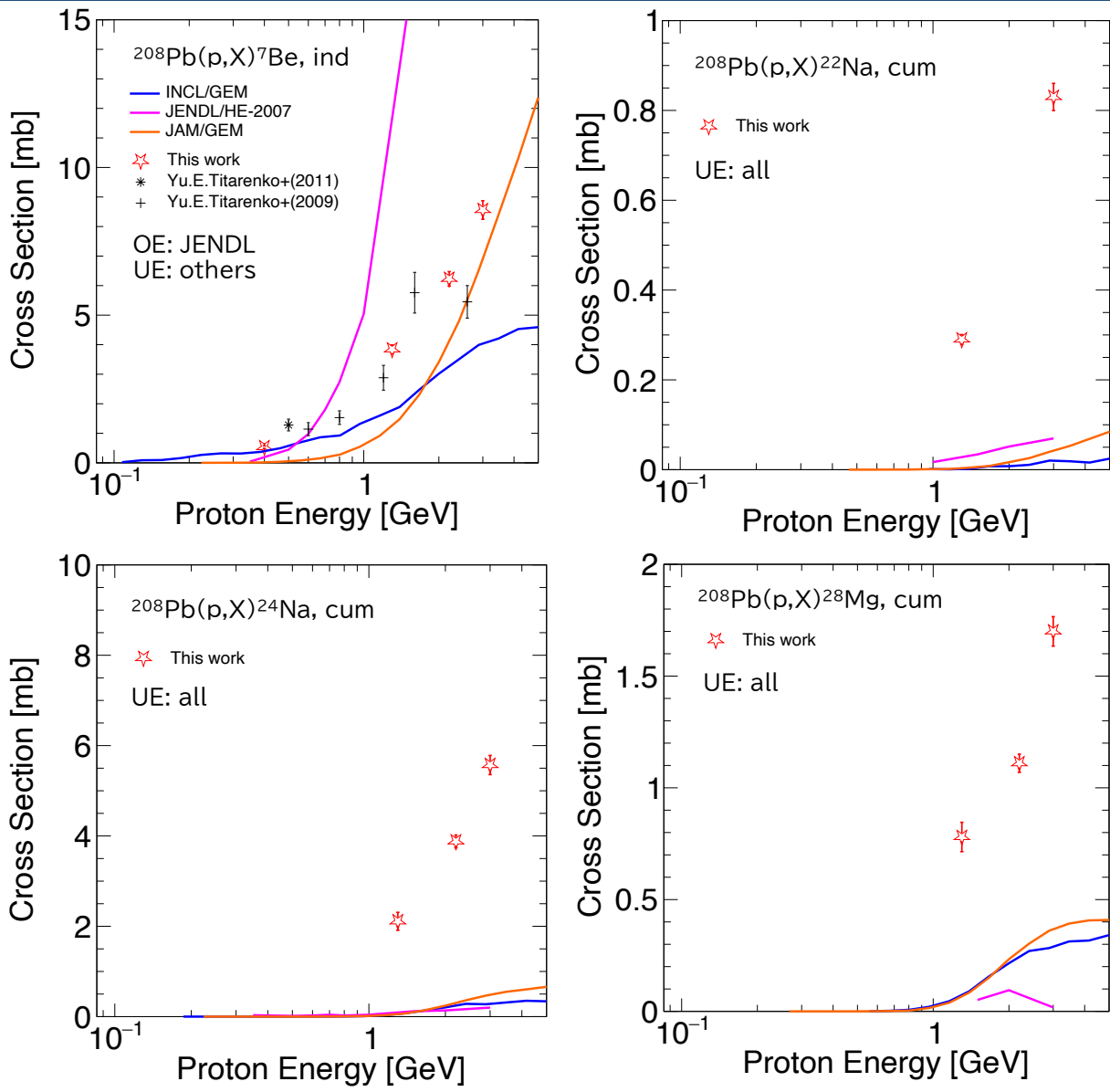
e.g., Au nuclides
 Total: 6 nuclides
first: 1 of 6
first > 1 GeV: 2 of 6
 already: 3 of 6

As a result of our measurement,
a total of 506 data (170 nuclides) were acquired.

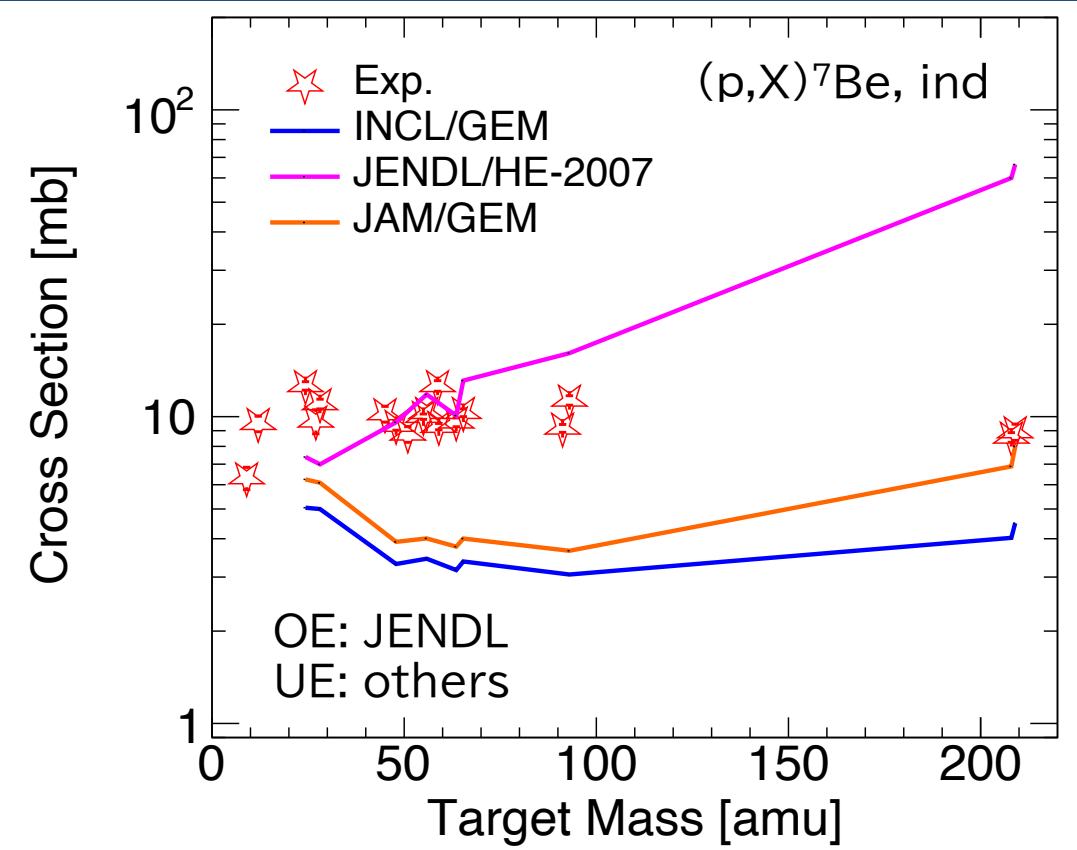
28 nuclides were obtained for the first time.
109 nuclides above 1 GeV were measured firstever.

Light nuclides

OE: overestimate
UE: underestimate



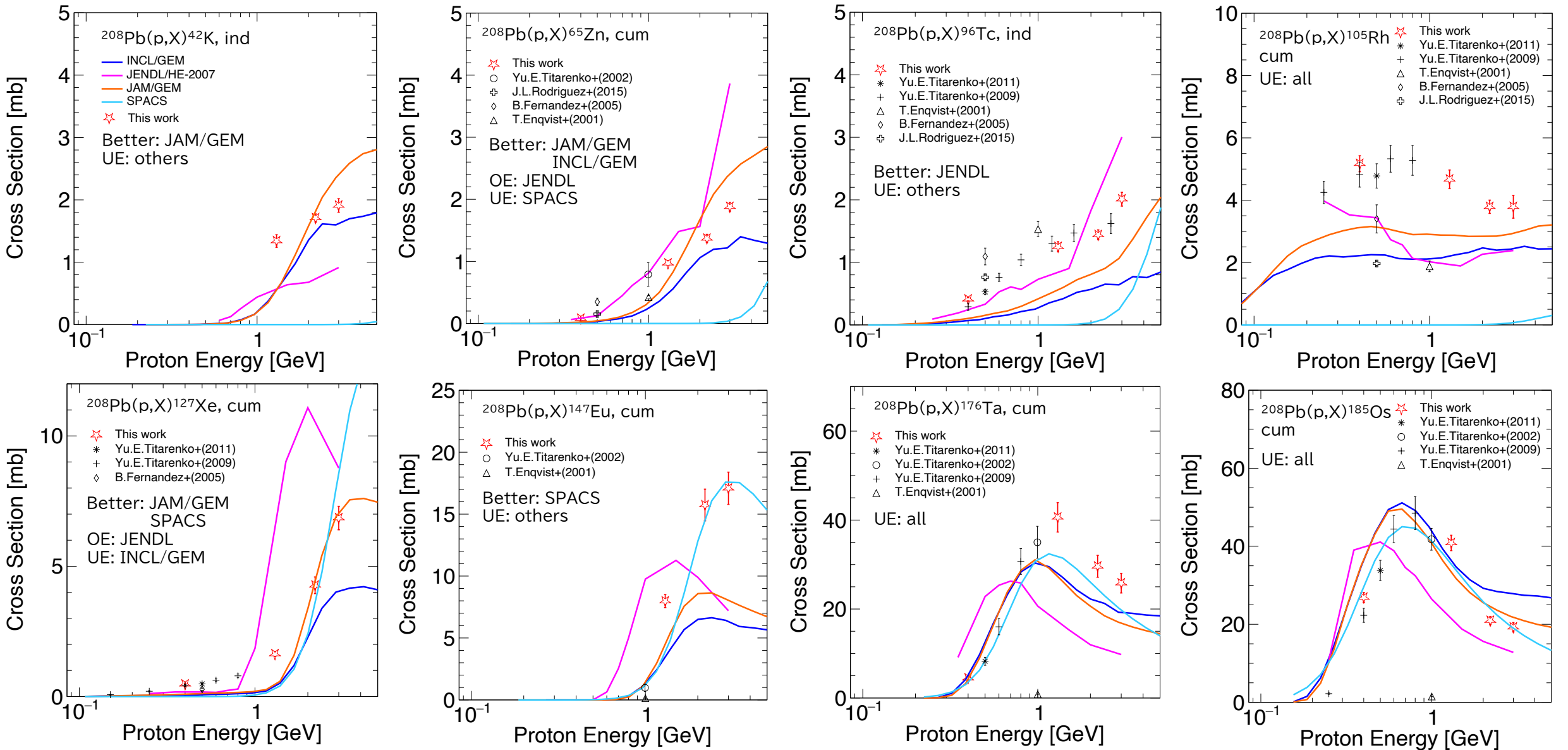
Excitation functions



Cross sections of the (p,X)⁷Be reaction at 3-GeV proton incidence

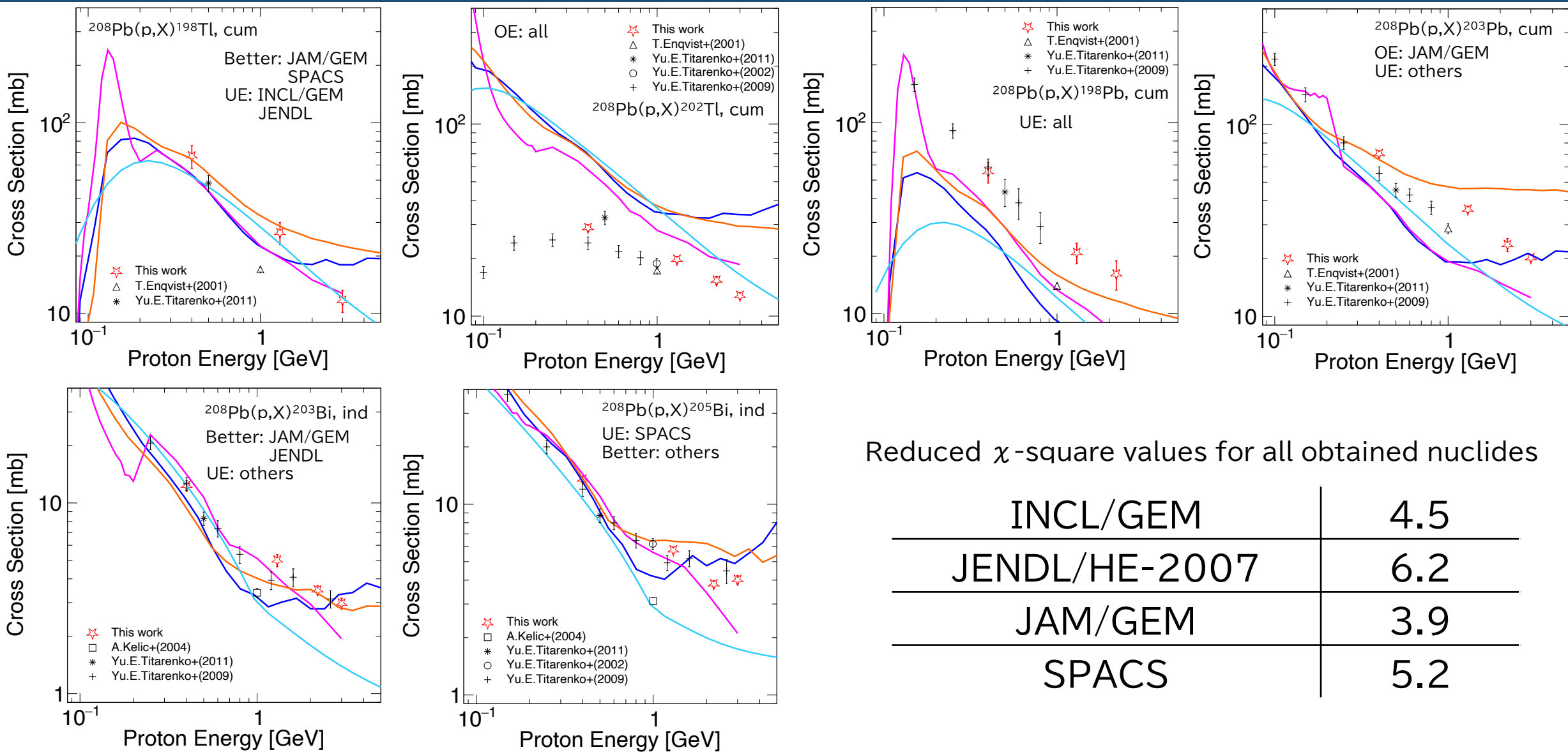
(p,X)⁷Be: **Underestimation** of Exp. data
This suggests that the **formation of the light nuclides** in the calculations has room for improvement.

Medium-heavy to heavy nuclides



Excitation functions

Adjacent nuclides of ^{208}Pb



Reduced χ -square values for all obtained nuclides

INCL/GEM	4.5
JENDL/HE-2007	6.2
JAM/GEM	3.9
SPACS	5.2

Conclusion and future work

Conclusions

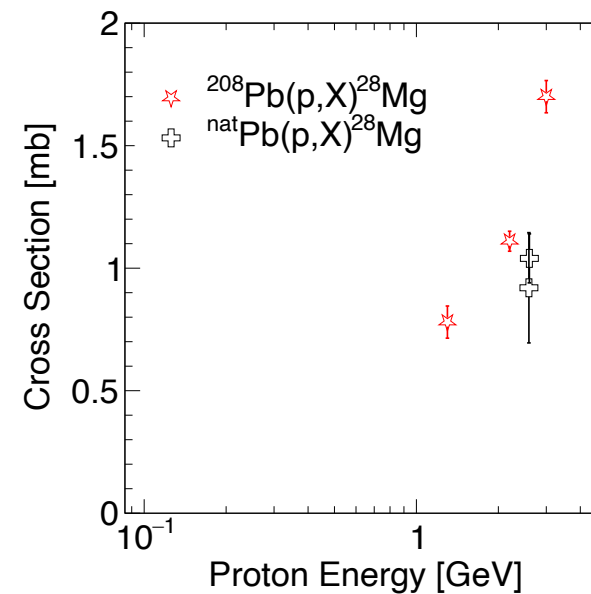
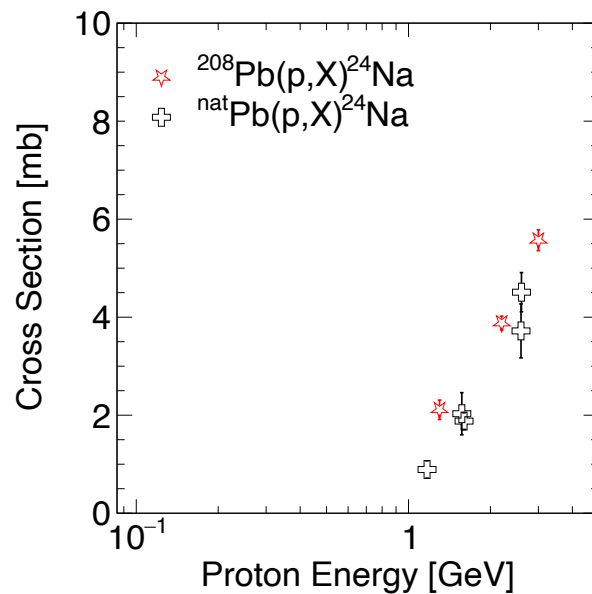
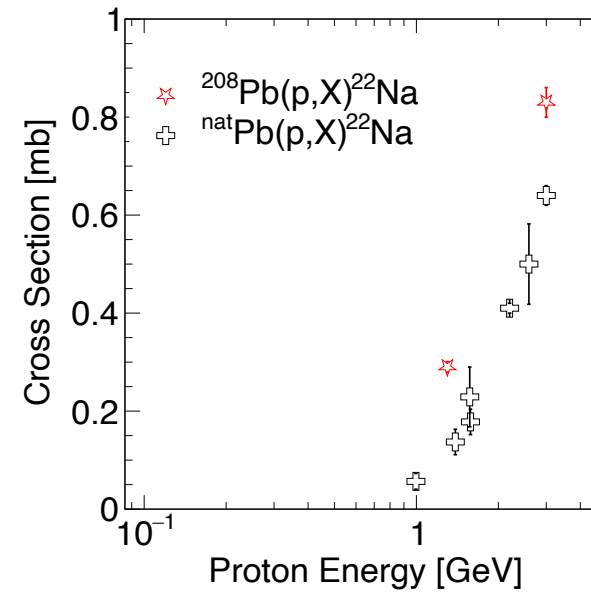
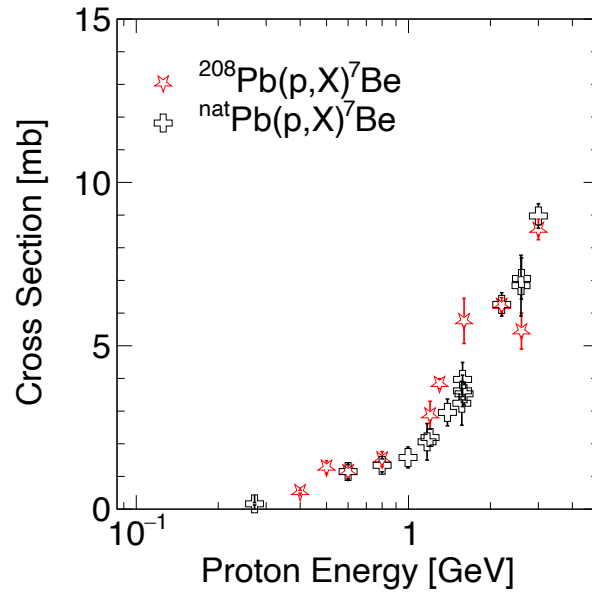
- Nuclide production cross sections
 $^{208}\text{Pb}(p,X)$ reaction at 0.4, 1.3, 2.2, and 3.0 GeV proton incidence
A total of 506 cross sections (170 nuclides) were acquired.
- Comparison with models
Calculations cannot reproduce the measured data.
-> There still remains the room for improvement for calculations.

Future work

- Revision of nuclear reaction models
A lot of data with various targets are already taken.
These data are useful to improve nuclear reaction models.
- Comparison with ^{209}Bi data
We will compare between the $^{208}\text{Pb}(p,X)$ and $^{209}\text{Bi}(p,X)$ reactions.

Q&A slides

Comparison with $^{nat}\text{Pb}(p,X)$



Correction of the proton intensity

Measurement of γ -rays' distribution from irradiated samples

γ -rays' distribution = incident proton spatial distribution

Fitting by Gauss function of the distribution

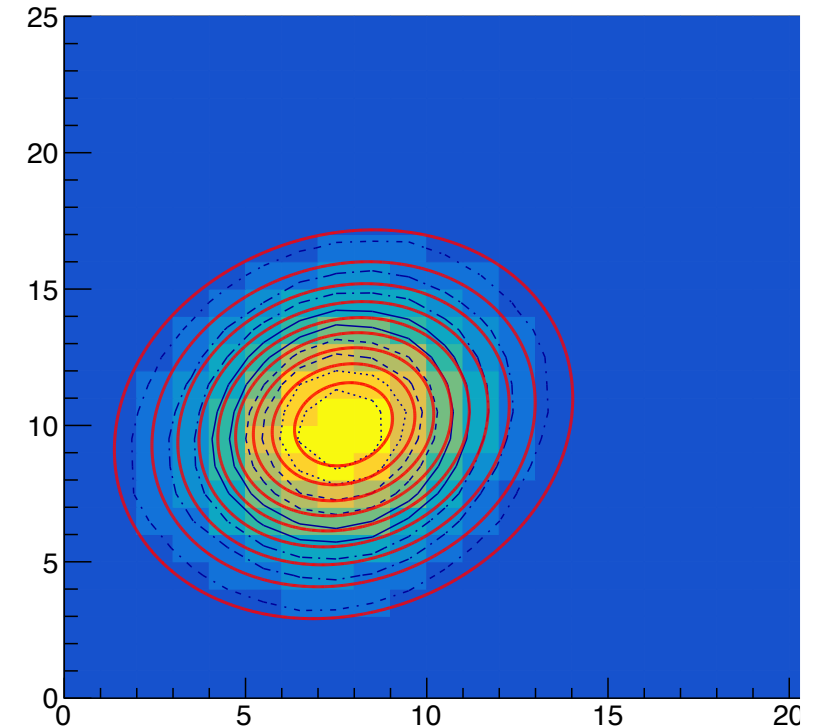
$$f(x, y) = \frac{N}{2\pi\sigma_x\sigma_y\sqrt{1-r^2}} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2(1-r^2)} \left\{ \frac{(x-\mu_x)^2}{\sigma_x^2} + \frac{(y-\mu_y)^2}{\sigma_y^2} - \frac{2r(x-\mu_x)(y-\mu_y)}{\sigma_x\sigma_y} \right\} \right]$$

Integration of $f(x,y)$ in the sample area

$$f_{beam} = \frac{1}{N} \int_{foil} f(x, y) dx dy$$

Values of f_{beam}

E_p [GeV]	f_{beam}
0.4	0.9990
1.3	0.9689
2.2	0.9943
3.0	0.9717



Activation distribution of irradiated sample

Correction of the in/out nuclei

Nuclides generated in ^{208}Pb layer:

Moving to Al layer-> **decreasing** the cross section

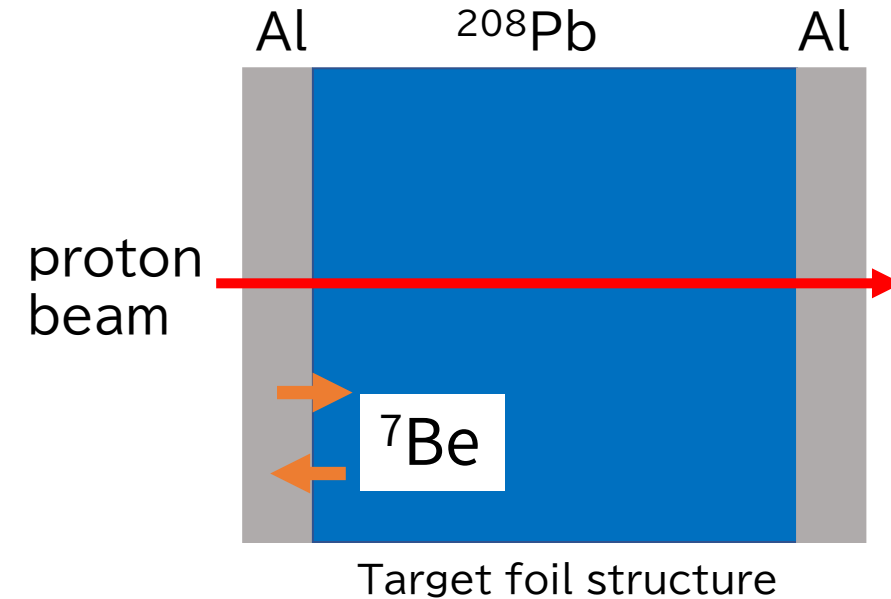
Nuclides generated in Al layer:

Moving to ^{208}Pb layer-> **increasing** the cross sections

Correction factor: PHITS (T-Yield)

Values of f_{esc} for ^7Be

	0.4 GeV	1.3 GeV	2.2 GeV	3.0 GeV
f_{esc}	0.9692	1.087	1.116	1.108



γ -ray detection efficiency

$$\ln \{\varepsilon(E_\gamma)\} = \begin{cases} a_0 + a_1 \times \ln E_\gamma + a_2 \times (\ln E_\gamma)^2 & (E_\gamma < E_{knee}) \\ b_0 + b_1 \times \ln E_\gamma + b_2 \times (\ln E_\gamma)^2 & (E_\gamma \geq E_{knee}) \end{cases}$$

$\varepsilon(E_\gamma)$: γ -ray detection efficiency

E_γ : γ -ray's energy [keV]

E_{knee} : separation energy [keV]

a_i, b_i ($i=0,1,2$): fitting parameters

Fitting parameters at 50-mm distance

a_0	-28.6452
a_1	10.6654
a_2	-1.12329
b_0	2.97939
b_1	-1.38888
b_2	0.0253932
E_{knee} [keV]	190

