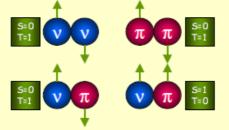


# Probing nucleon-nucleon correlations in heavy ion transfer reactions

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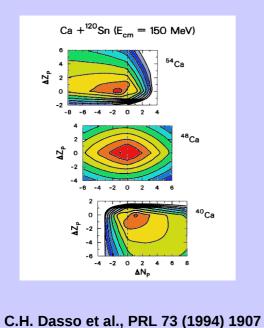
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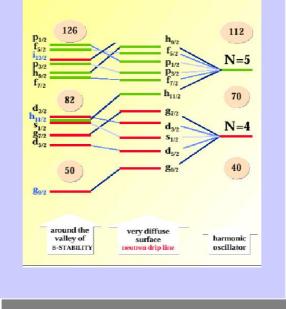
# **Transfer reactions among heavy ions**

✓ A study of multiple particle transfers.
✓ The transition from quasi elastic to deep inelastic processes.
✓ A tool for the population

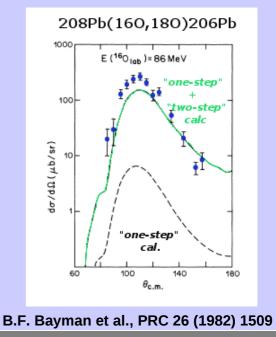
of neutron rich nuclei.



A study of properties near shell closure: ✓ single particle states ✓ coupling of the particle/ hole to the collective boson

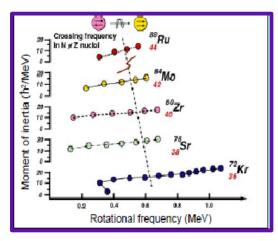


A study of the residual interaction (correlations): ✓ two particle transfer (absolute values) ✓ population of specific states (pairing vibration/rotation)

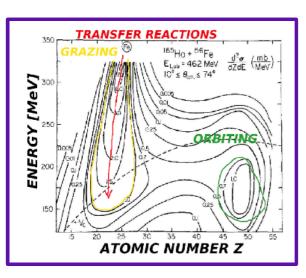


#### **Nuclear Shell Structure**

# **Probing correlations**



Higher rotational frequency for "pair" break in N=Z



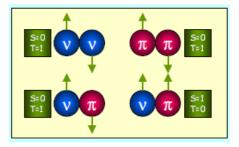
How the correlations that go beyond a mean field description can be probed (static and dynamics properties and effects)?

- •Binding energies: the ground states  $\rightarrow$  description in terms of superfluid condensates, in which the pairs of nucleons form the Cooper pairs
- Significantly different behavior at medium to high spins of rotational bands
- Enhanced probability to add or remove a nucleon-nucleon pair.

What will be a signature in the heavy ion transfer reactions?

HI advantages: test of correlation properties in multi-neutron and multi-proton transfer processes via simultaneous comparison of observables for  $\pm nn/\pm pp/\pm np$  pairs

HI drawbacks: difficult experimental conditions (A,Z,Q-value resolutions, total efficiency) and difficult theoretical treatment (complex structure of the two interacting ions, QE and DIC processes, multistep processes, many open channels and CC effects)



#### **Magnetic spectrometers for transfer reaction studies**

# Q3D, split-pole



 $\checkmark$  excited states populated in light ion transfer reactions (en. resolution ~few tenths keV) ✓ distribution of atomic charge states (magnetic elements of different complexity to focus momenta at the focal plane)

#### **TOF** spectrometers



'focus ions of different atomic charge states to a (small) focal plane

good A and Z resolution, and detection efficiency, large energy dynamic range of transfer

products



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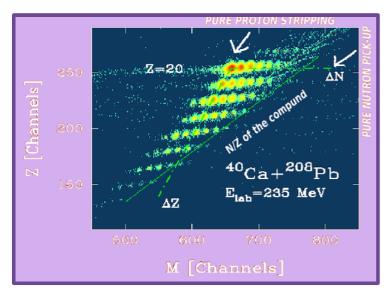
**PRISMA, VAMOS, MAGNEX** 

coupling to large y arrays

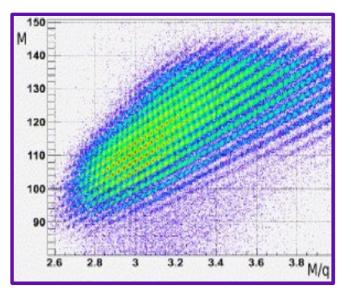
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'simple magnetic elements and "complex" detector systems

'good A and Z resolution, detection efficinecy



S.Szilner et al, PRC 71 (2005) 044610



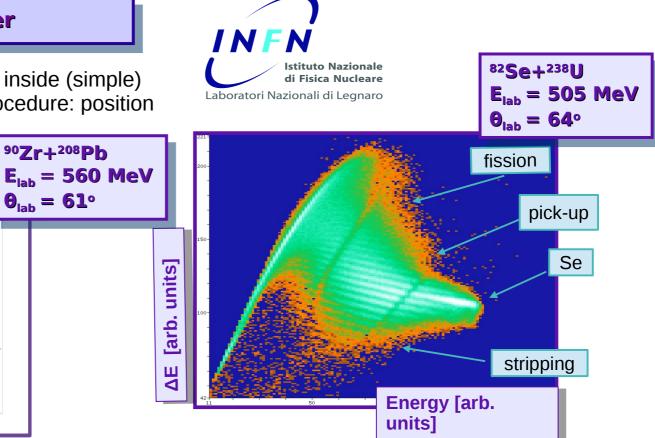
S. Pullanhiotan et al, NIM A 593 (2008) 343

#### **The PRISMA spectrometer**

X-PPAC [channels]

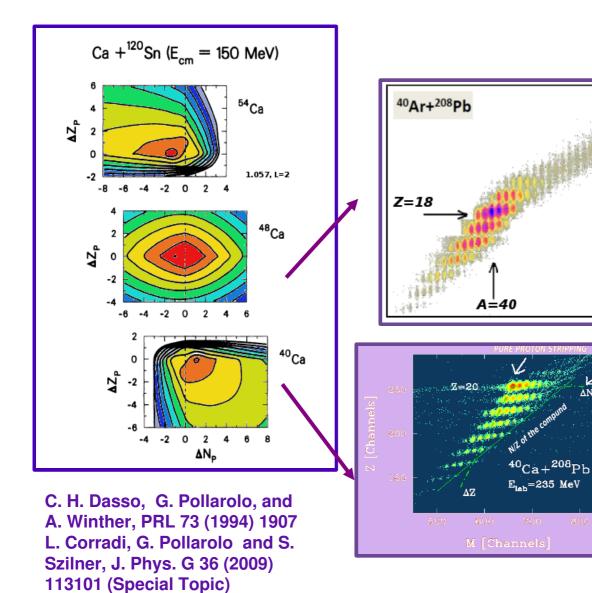
A/q [channels]

reconstruction of the ion trajectory inside (simple) magnetic elements, ray tracing procedure: position sensitive detectors of large area





#### **Properties of transfer reactions at the Coulomb barrier**



 The transfer process is governed by optimum Q-value and nuclear structure properties.

 ✓Nuclei are located on the left side of the charge equilibration line --> dominance of a direct mechanism
 ✓ For the massive proton transfer channels → the isotopic
 distributions drift towards lower masses (neutron evaporation)

GRAZING model: calculates the evolution of the reaction by taking into account:

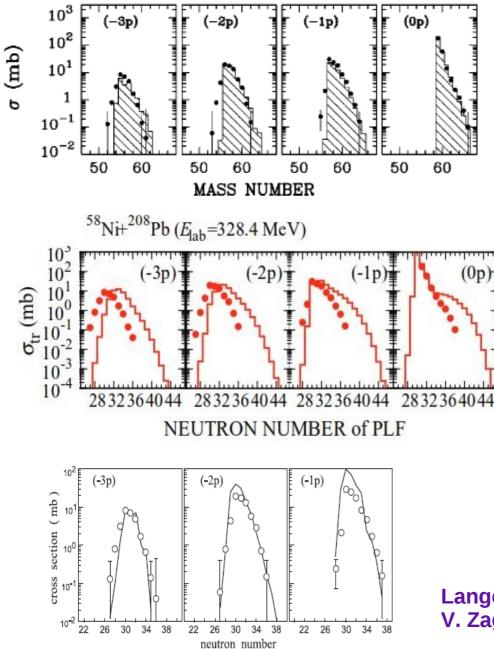
the relative motion (nuclear + Coulomb field), and

'the intrinsic degrees of freedom of projectile and target (surface vibration and the single-nucleon transfer channels).

 The multinucleon transfers are described via a multistep mechanism.

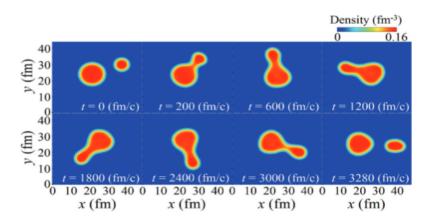
✓The model takes into account the effect of neutron evaporation.

#### **Multinucleon transfer reactions : experiment vs. theory**



EXP: <sup>58</sup>Ni+<sup>208</sup>Pb, L. Corradi et al., PRC 66 (2002) 024606 GRAZING or CWKB, G. Pollarolo

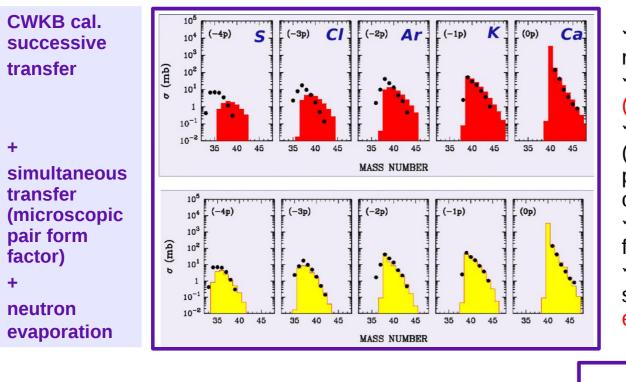
#### Time Dependent Hartree-Fock theory K.Sekizawa, K.Yabana, PRC 88 (2013) 014614



Langevin-type dynamical equations of motion V. Zagrebaev, W. Greiner PRL 101 (2008) 122701

#### **Total cross sections - nucleon-nucleon correlations**

<sup>40</sup>Ca+<sup>208</sup>Pb



The shape of the yield distribution reflects the optimum Q-value
The theory describes well (0p) and
(-1p) but underestimates (-2p)
The contribution of a direct pair mode
("macroscopic") both for neutrons and protons has been added in the calculations.

The same strength of the form factor for neutrons and protons.

The pair mode alters little the cross section for neutron transfer but is essential for the proton transfer.

$$F_P(r) = \beta_P \frac{\partial V(r)}{\partial A} \simeq \left(\frac{\beta_P R}{3A}\right) \frac{\partial V(r)}{\partial r},$$

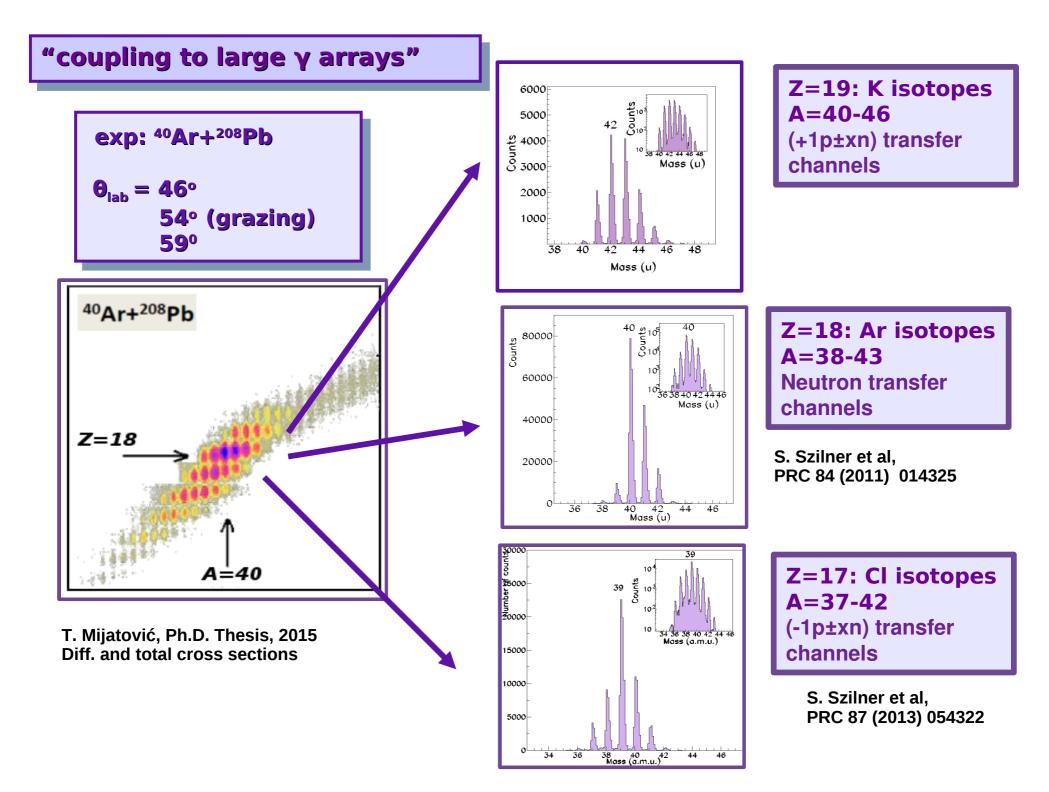
The residual interaction: components responsible for the couplings (phonon - single particle), and for nucleon - nucleon correlations

'Inclusive data - difficult to have a clear signature of pair mode

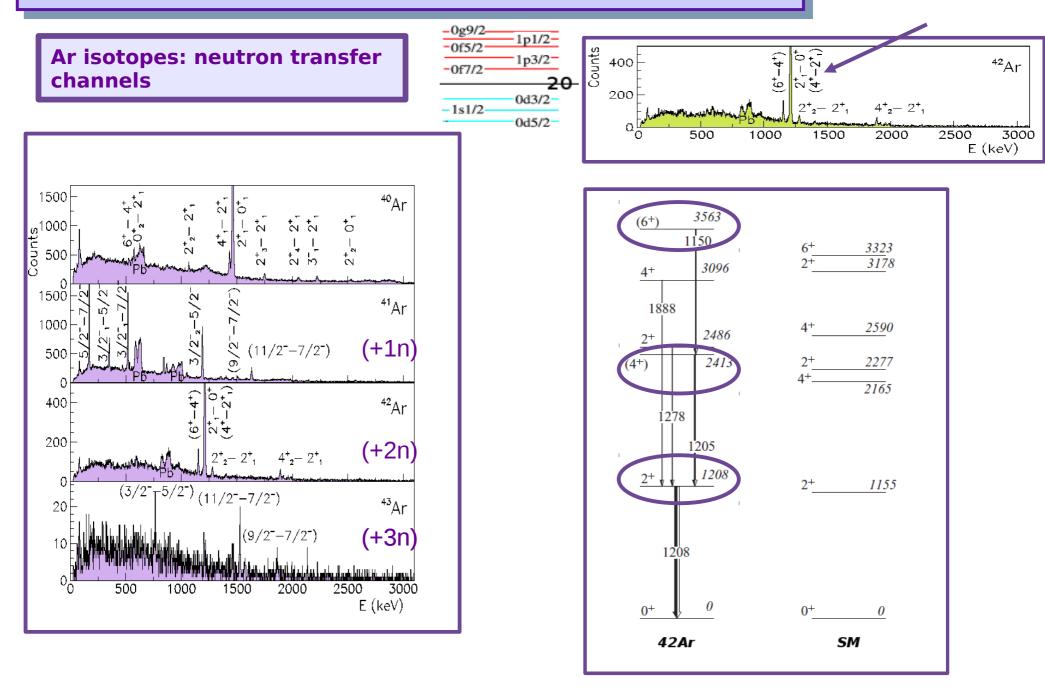
L. Corradi et al., PRC 66 (2002) 024606

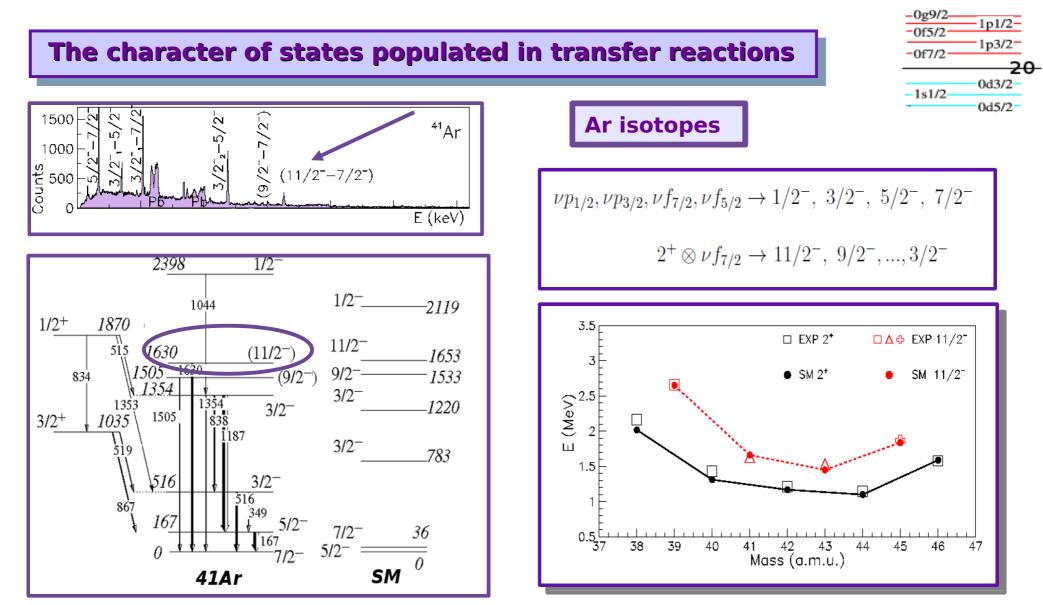
S. Szilner et al., PRC 71 (2005) 044610

L. Corradi, G. Pollarolo and S. Szilner, J. Phys. G 36 (2009) 113101 (Special Topic)



## The character of states populated in transfer reactions

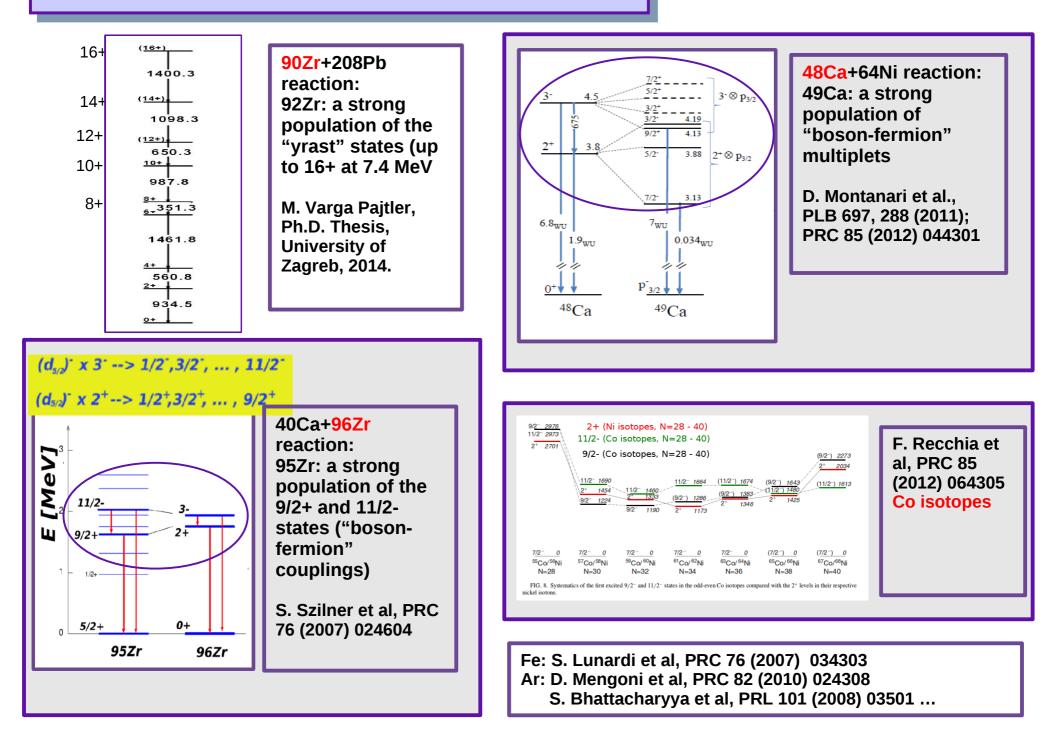




 \*odd: excitation of states of single-particle character
 \*a significant population of a stretched configuration of the valence neutron coupled to the vibration quanta
 \*SDPF-U SM calculations

A strong interplay between singleparticle and collective degrees of freedom and the reaction dynamics

#### "yrast" states; "fermion-boson" coupling



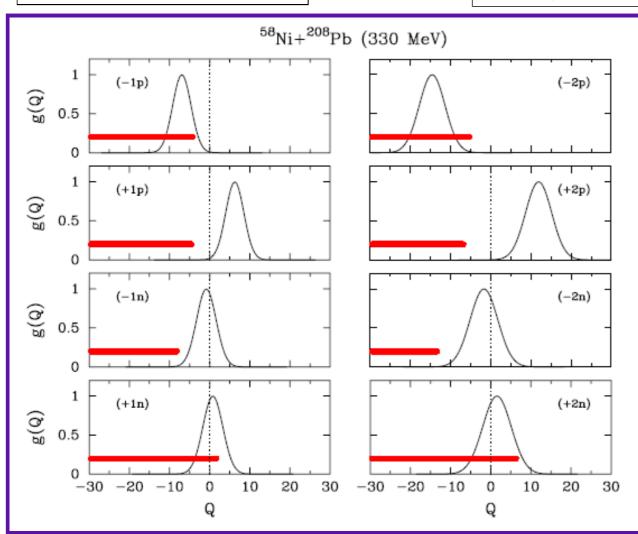
#### **Properties of transfer reactions at the Coulomb barrier: optimum Q-value**

## cut-off function

#### transfer probability

$$g(Q) = \exp\left(-\frac{(Q - Q_{\text{opt}})^2}{\hbar^2 \ddot{r}_0 \kappa_{a_1'}}\right)$$

$$P_{\beta\alpha} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{16\pi\hbar^2 |\ddot{r}_0|\kappa_{a_1'}}} |f_{\beta\alpha}(0, r_0)|^2 g(Q_{\beta\alpha})$$

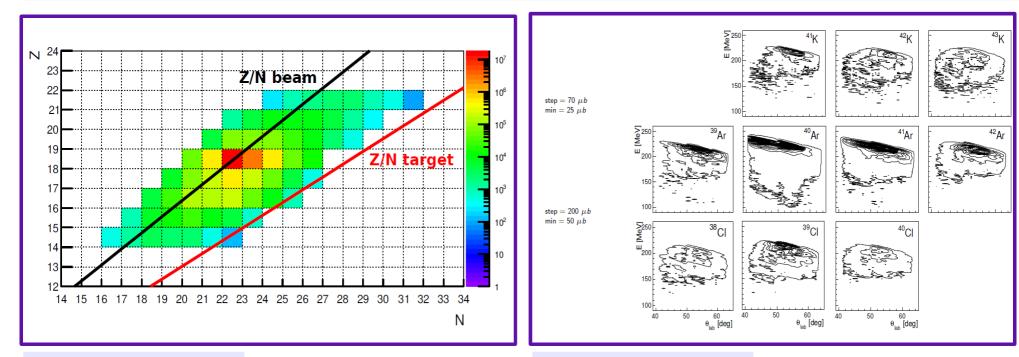


open reaction channels are those compatible with the optimum Q-value window (kinematical condition).

This window has its origin in the matching of the orbits before and after the transfer process.

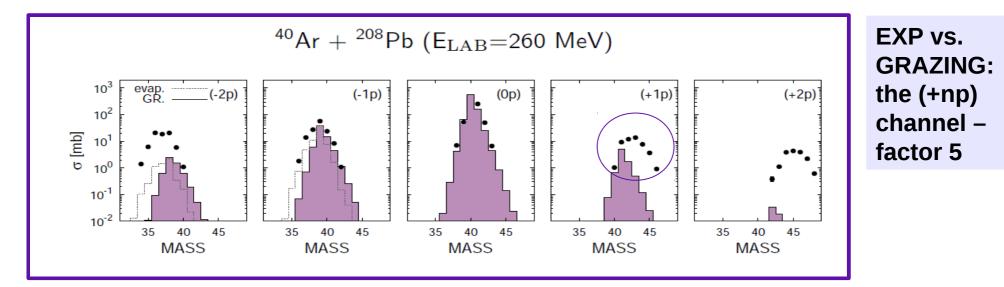
G. Pollarolo et al, NPA 406 (1983) 369

# The <sup>40</sup>Ar+<sup>208</sup>Pb system

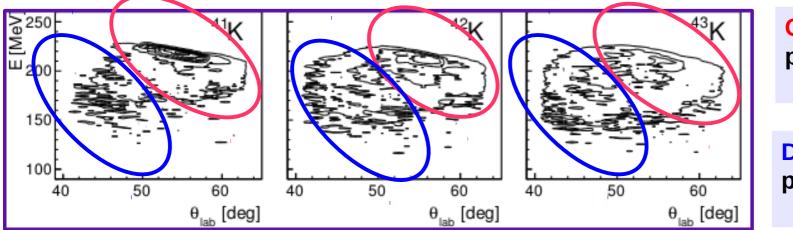


**Z-M distribution** 

## Wilczynski plots



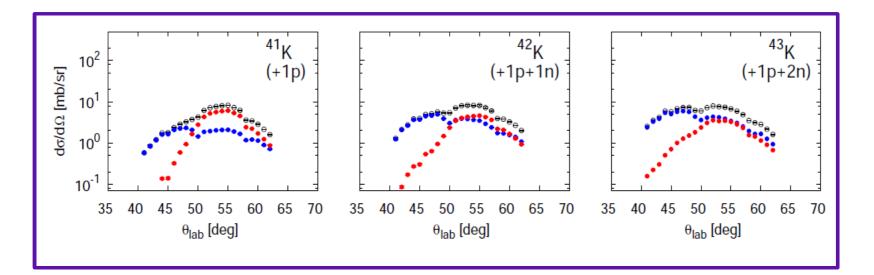
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Quasi-elastic processes

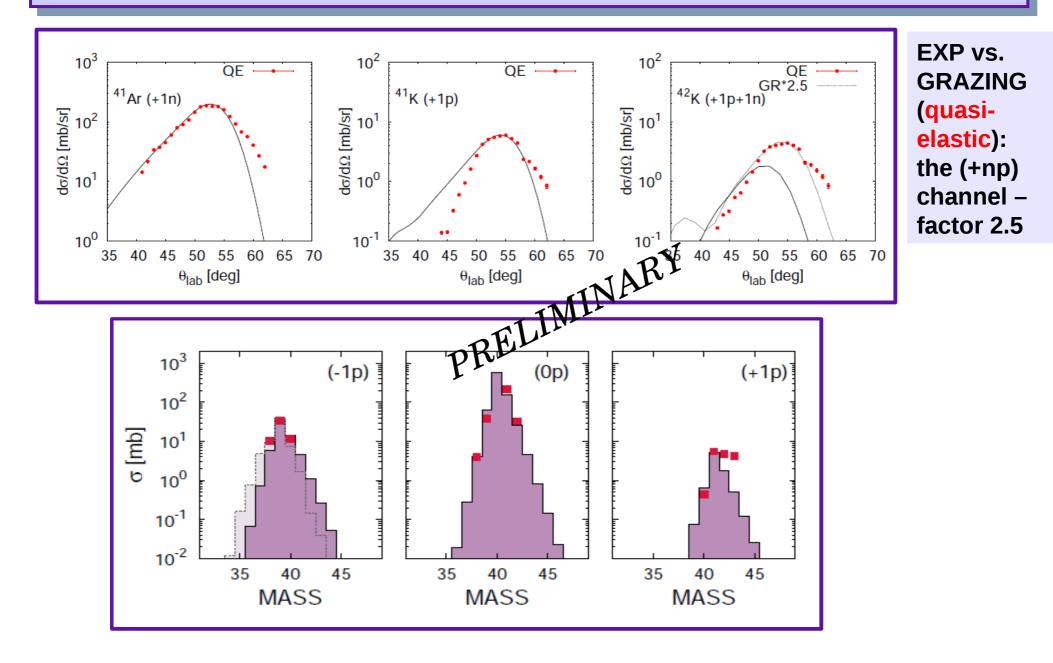
Deep-inelastic processes

#### Wilczynski plots, (+1p+xn) channels

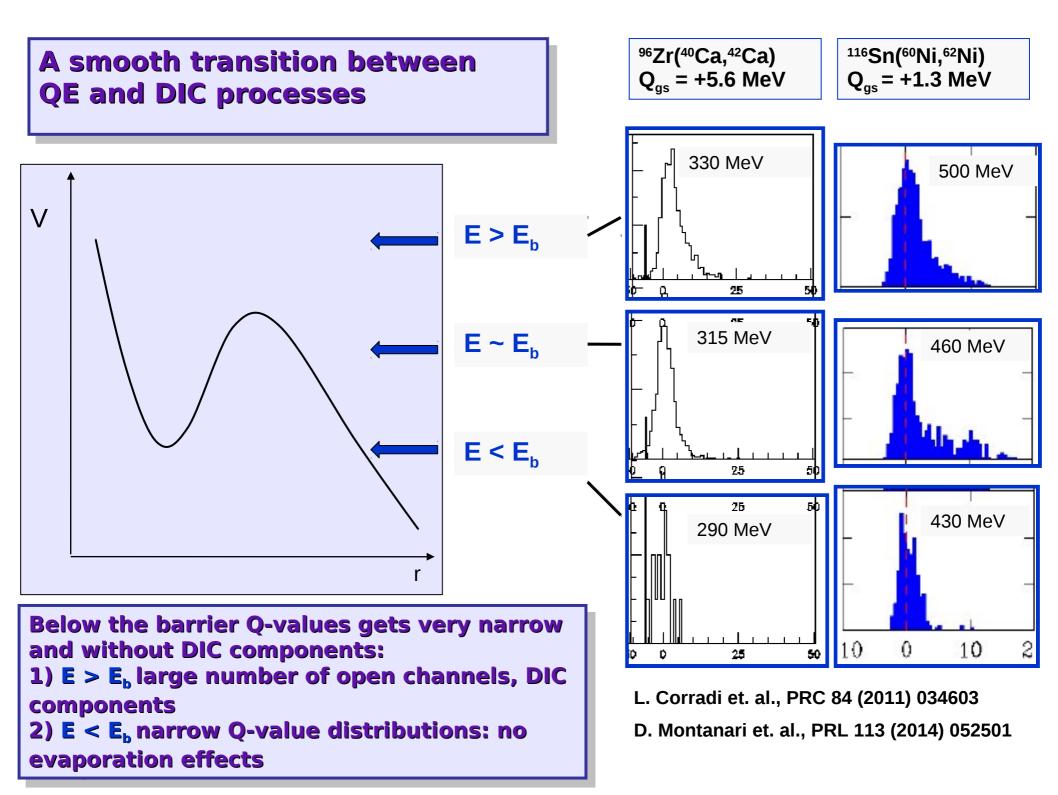


Angular distributions (integrated over energy: TOTAL, QE, DIC)

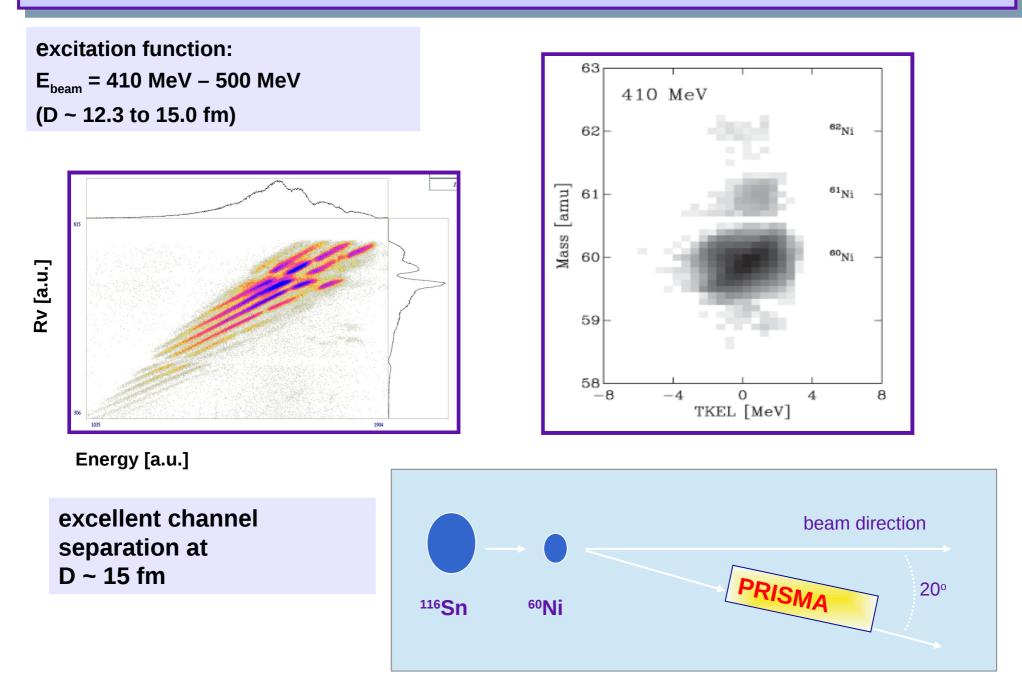
## The <sup>40</sup>Ar+<sup>208</sup>Pb system : QE ang. distribution and total cross sections



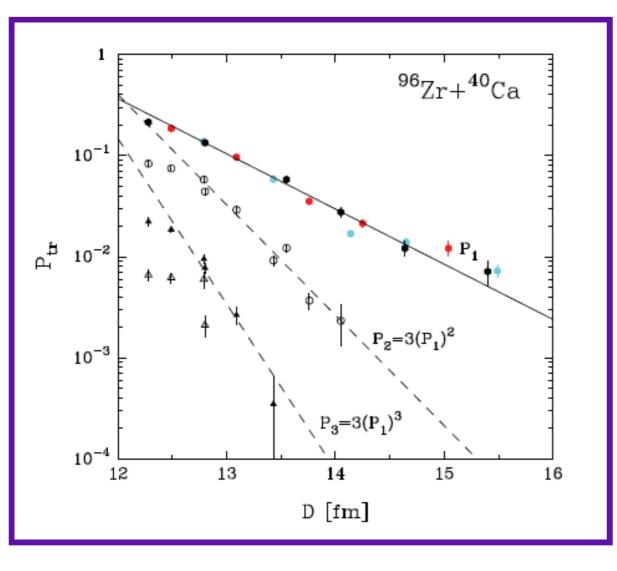
T. Mijatović, Ph.D. Thesis, 2015 Zakopane, 2014 (Acta Phys. Pol.B 46 (2015) 439)



# <sup>60</sup>Ni+<sup>116</sup>Sn: detection of (light) target like ions in inverse kinematics with PRISMA



#### **Experimental transfer probabilities**



#### P<sub>tr</sub> slope

$$P_{tr} \propto e^{-2\alpha D}$$
  $\alpha = \sqrt{\frac{2mB}{\hbar^2}}$ 

 $B \rightarrow binding energy$ 

slopes of P<sub>tr</sub> vd D are as expected from the binding energies (tail of the formfactor)

a bare phenomenological analysis shows an "enhanced" pair transfer,  $P_{2n}$ ~ 3  $(P_{1n})^2$  and  $P_{3n}$ ~  $P_{1n}(P_{2n})$ ~ 3  $(P_{1n})^3$ 

L. Corradi et al, PRC 84 (2011) 034603

## <sup>60</sup>Ni+<sup>116</sup>Sn: two particle transfer (semiclassical theory, microscopic calculations,2nd order Born app.)

$$c_{\beta}(\ell) = c_{\beta}^{(1)} + c_{\beta}^{ort} + c_{\beta}^{succ}$$

$$\underbrace{0^{+}}_{a+A} + c_{+C} + b_{+B}$$

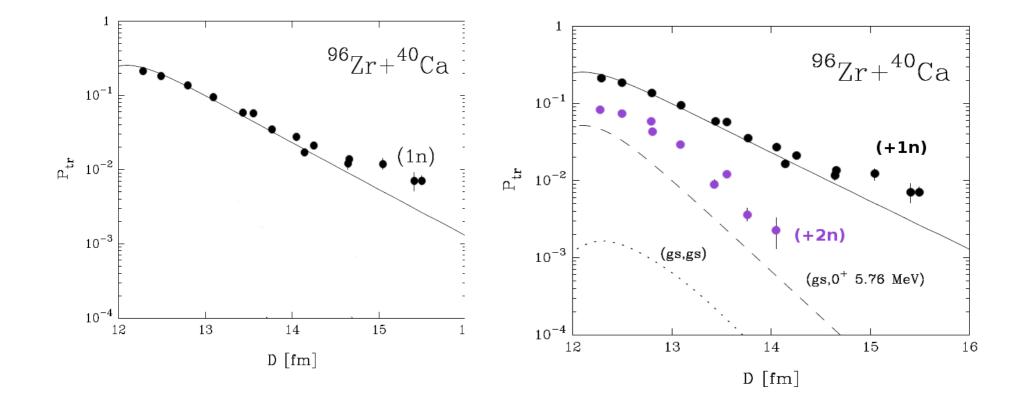
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| <sup>116</sup> Sn | $\begin{array}{c} 1g_{9/2} \\ 2d_{5/2} \\ 1g_{7/2} \\ 3s_{1/2} \\ 2d_{3/2} \\ 1h_{11/2} \\ 2f_{7/2} \\ 3p_{3/2} \end{array}$ |
| <sup>60</sup> Ni  | $\begin{array}{c} 2p_{3/2} \\ 2p_{1/2} \\ 1f_{5/2} \\ 1g_{9/2} \end{array}$  |

...

3 terms : simultaneous, orthogonal and successive only the successive term contributes to the transfer amplitude Only 0+ to 0+ transition can be reduced to a simple expression

$$\begin{split} (c_{\beta})_{\text{succ}} &= \frac{1}{\hbar^2} \sum_{a_1, a_1'} B^{(A)}(a_1 a_1; 0) B^{(a)}(a_1' a_1'; 0) 2 \frac{(-1)^{j_1 + j_1'}}{\sqrt{(2j_1 + 1)} \sqrt{(2j_1' + 1)}} \sum_{m_1 m_1'} (-1)^{m_1 + m_1'} \\ &\times \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt f_{m_1 m_1'}(\mathcal{R}) e^{i[(E_{\beta} - E_{\gamma})t + \delta_{\beta\gamma}(t) + \hbar(m_1' - m_1)\Phi(t)]/\hbar} \\ &\times \int_{-\infty}^{t} dt f_{-m_1 - m_1'}(\mathcal{R}) e^{i[(E_{\gamma} - E_{\alpha})t + \delta_{\gamma\alpha}(t) - \hbar(m_1' - m_1)\Phi(t)]/\hbar}. \end{split}$$

#### **Comparison between experimental and theoretical transfer probabilities**



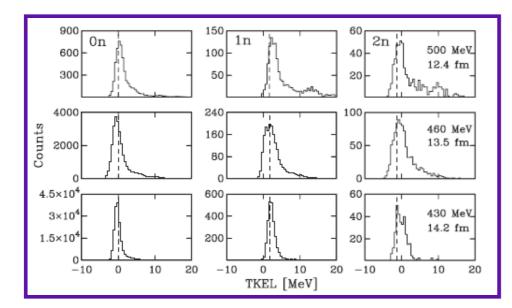
-to obtain P<sub>tr</sub> : summed over all possible transitions that can be constructed from the single particle states in projectile and target - the set of single particle states covers a full shell below the Fermi level for <sup>96</sup>Zr and a full shell above for <sup>40</sup>Ca Two particle transfer (semiclassical theory, microscopic calc.) 3 terms : simultaneous, orthogonal and

successive (only the successive term contributes to the transfer amplitude)

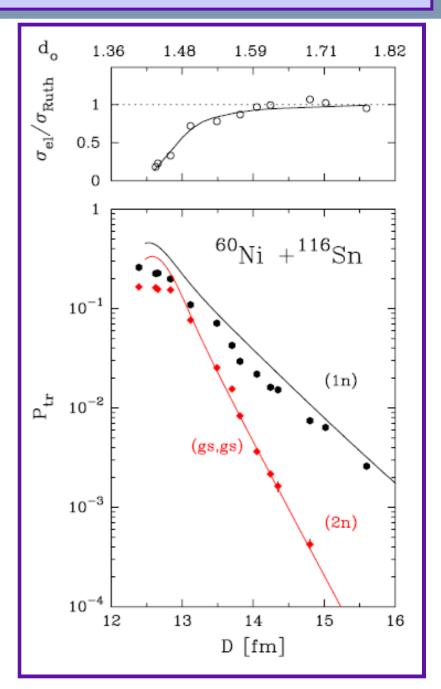
#### <sup>60</sup>Ni+<sup>116</sup>Sn: neutron pair transfer far below the Coulomb barrier

The experimental transfer probabilities are well reproduced, for the first time with heavy ion reactions, in absolute values and in slope by microscopic calculations which incorporate nucleon-nucleon correlations

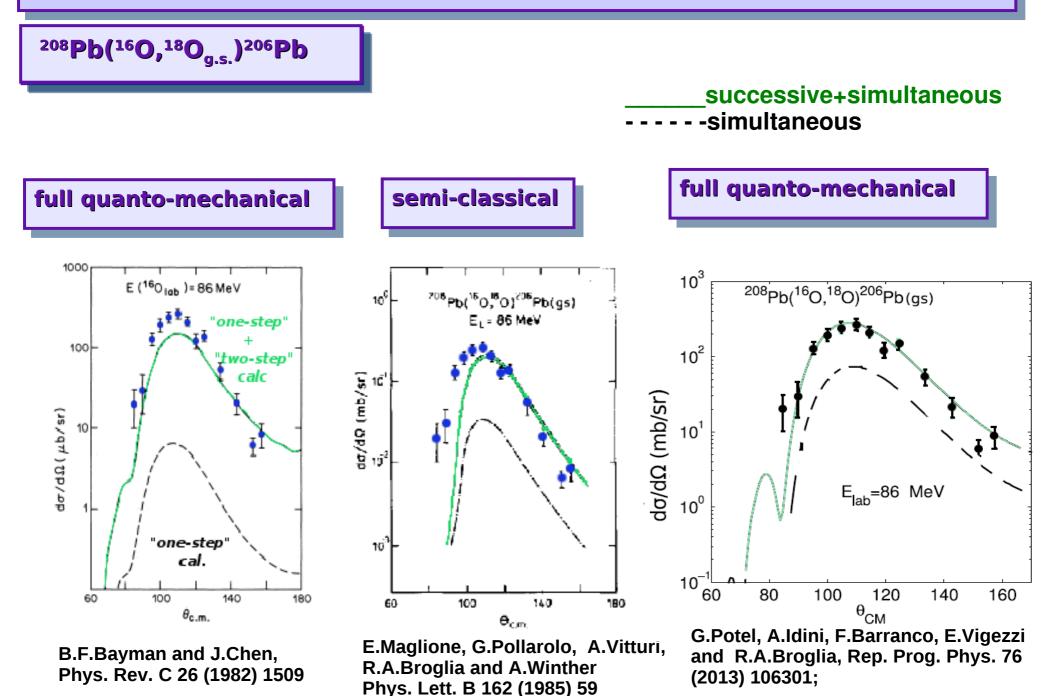
Transfer strength very close to the g.s. to g.s. transitions



D. Montanari, L. Corradi, S. Szilner, G. Pollarolo et. al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 113 (2014) 052501

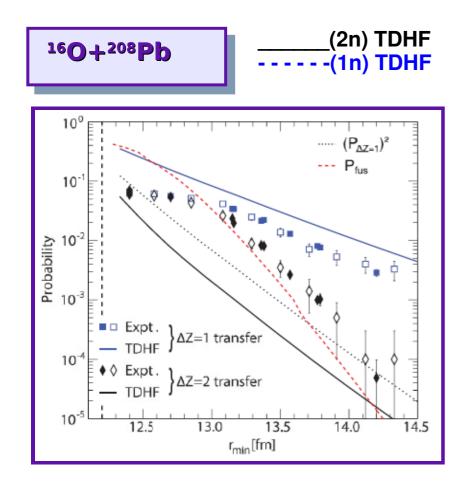


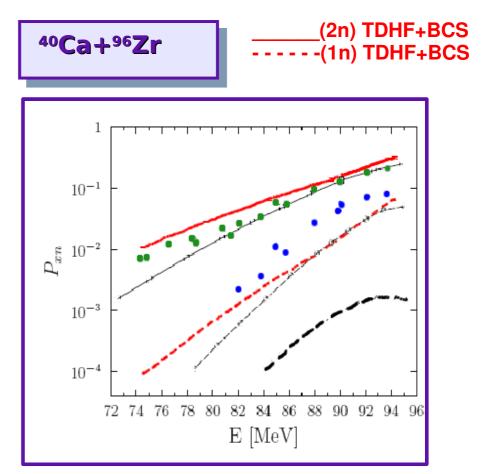
#### Absolute cross sections for one and two-nucleon transfer reactions



G. Potel et al, PRL 105 (2010) 172502

# **Sub-barrier transfer : TDHF or TDHF+BCS**





L.Corradi et.al., Phys. Rev. C 84 (2011) 034603 EXP (1n) and (2n); (1n) c.c.; (2n) (g.s.  $\rightarrow$  g.s.) (g.s.  $\rightarrow$  0+ at ~6MeV)

G.Scamps et al., EPJ Web Conf. 86 (2015) 00042

C.Simenel, PRL105(2010)192701 M.Evers et al, PRC84(2011)054614

# Summary

'The comparison between data and theory: elementary modes of the complex mechanism can be probed.

"'" large" spectrometers coupled to "large" gamma arrays are powerful tools to study the fine details of such processes.

The total, differential cross sections and individual state yield distribution reflect a strong interplay between single-particle and collective degrees of freedom and the reaction dynamics: transfer reactions are sensitive to the transferred angular momentum (good matching), the nuclear matrix element contains the spectroscopic information (both of the projectile and target).

The importance of components responsible for the couplings (phonon-single particle), and for particle correlations (residual interaction)

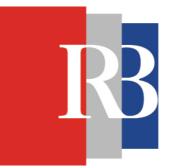
'Sub-barrier transfer reaction measurement (nuclei interact at large distances): good probe for pair correlations

#### OUTLOOK:

gamma-particle coincidences proton transfer channels at large D proton rich nuclei (np correlations) neutron rich nuclei (density dependent forces) very heavy systems microscopic calculations for high multipolarity states L. Corradi, T. Mijatović, E. Fioretto, A. Gadea, D. Montanari, A.M. Stefanini, J.J. Valiente-Dobon, E. Farnea, G. Montagnoli, C.A. Ur, S. Lunardi, C. Michelagnoli, N. Marginean, F. Haas, S. Courtin, D. Lebhertz, A. Goasduff, M.-D. Salsac D. Jelavić Malenica, N. Soić G. Pollarolo PRISMA – CLARA / AGATA collaboration

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