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# Search for <sup>10</sup>N Resonances with <sup>9</sup>C + p Resonant Scattering

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# **RI Beams with Polarized Proton Target**

I. Proton elastic scattering and spin-orbit potential

II. Knock-out reaction and spin-orbit splitting

III. Proton resonant scattering and single-particle levels

IV. Proton target

# **Magic Numbers Changing in Unstable Nuclei**

#### **Disappearance of conventional magic numbers Appearance of NEW magic numbers**



Role of spin-dependent int. in unstable nuclei is the key!!

### I. Proton Elastic Scattering and Spin-Orbit Potential

- Vector analyzing powers have been measured for the proton elastic scattering from <sup>6,8</sup>He at 71 MeV/A.
- T. Uesaka, H. Sakai, PRC(R) 82 (2010) (p,p) elastic

Measured analyzing powers are incompatible with any theoretical predictions.



- Modification of spin-orbit coupling in scattering involving n-rich nucleus: spin-orbit potentials for <sup>6,8</sup>He are <u>shallow and extended</u> compared with systematics of stable nuclei.
- Proper description of *p*-<sup>4</sup>He scattering should be important for reproduction of *p*-<sup>6</sup>He scattering.
- We plan to measure the A<sub>y</sub> for p-<sup>6</sup>He elastic scattering at 200 MeV/A where reaction mechanism is well understood.

# p-<sup>6</sup>He, p-<sup>8</sup>He Elastic Scattering

- Analyzing power measurement for *p*-<sup>6,8</sup>He
  - Question:

What is characteristics of spin-orbit potentials?



# Characteristics of V<sub>LS</sub>(r)

- Modification of spin-orbit potential in n-rich nuclei
  - Shape and magnitude
    - R.M.S. radius
    - Peak amplitude

Spin-orbit potential in n-rich helium isotopes: shallow and extended

(← effect of diffused density distribution?)



#### Calculations of <sup>6</sup>He+p elastic-scattering cross-sections using folding approach and high-energy approximation for the optical potential

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**Abstract.** Calculations of microscopic optical potentials (OPs) are performed to analyze <sup>6</sup>He+p elasticscattering data at a few tens of MeV/nucleon (MeV/N). The role of the spin-orbit terms and of the non-linearity in the calculations of the OPs, as well as effects of their renormalization are studied.



Elastic <sup>6</sup>He+p scattering crosssections for E = 25.2 MeV/Ncalculated by using the LSSM density for <sup>6</sup>He.

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## **Experimental Data**



Calculations of  $A_y$  for proton elastic scattering from <sup>4</sup>He and <sup>6</sup>He at 71, 100, and 200 MeV/A by the multiple scattering theory with COSMA density.  $A_y$  provides new information which can not be seen in d $\sigma$ /d $\Omega$ .

#### **III. Proton Resonant Scattering and Single-Particle Levels**

- Proton resonant scattering from <sup>9</sup>C at 5.6 MeV/A will be measured with a spin-polarized proton target for RI-beam exp.
- (p,p) resonance elastic

- Overlapping resonances will be resolved with the analyzing power data which is completely new information.
- Low-lying level structure of <sup>10</sup>N (mass,  $E_R$ ,  $\Gamma$ ,  $J^{\pi}$ ) will be revealed.
- <sup>10</sup>N levels  $\rightarrow$  mirror levels in <sup>10</sup>Li  $\rightarrow$  *n*-<sup>9</sup>Li potential  $\rightarrow$  three-body model for borromean nucleus <sup>11</sup>Li.

**Pioneer experiment**: First measurement of polarization observable in scattering exp. with low-energy RI-beam  $\Rightarrow$  New possibilities

#### **Resonant proton scattering**

- Roles of spin asymmetry
  - $-J^{\pi}$  determination
    - Projectile w/ non-zero spin
    - Sensitive to configuration mixing
  - Information for extremely wide resonances
- Feasibility demonstration
  - <sup>13</sup>N+ $\vec{p}$  scattering
  - Monte-Carlo simulation

 $P_p = 20\%$ , 10 mg/cm<sup>2</sup>, 10<sup>5</sup> pps, 3 days, pure  $d_{5/2}$ 



T. Teranishi, S. Sakaguchi, T. Uesaka, et al., AIP Conf. Proc. 1525, 522 (2013)

#### **Borromean Nucleus**

Resonant elastic scattering

 ${}^{9}C + \overrightarrow{p} \rightarrow {}^{10}N \rightarrow {}^{9}C + p$ with a low-energy  ${}^{9}C$  beam at 5.6 MeV/u

and a spin-polarized proton target.

Combined information on excitation function  $(d\sigma/d\Omega (E))$  and analyzing power  $(A_y(E))$ 

#### → Search for broad <sup>10</sup>N resonances

<sup>10</sup>N (=<sup>9</sup>C+*p*)  $\leftarrow$  mirror  $\rightarrow$  <sup>10</sup>Li (=<sup>9</sup>Li+*n*): binary subsystem of borromean nucleus <sup>11</sup>Li (= <sup>9</sup>Li+*n*+*n*)

→ Understanding of <sup>9</sup>Li+n potential for 3-body model Polarization observable as additional information is useful for:

- resolving wide resonances overlapping each other
- $J^{\pi}$  assignment especially when the beam nucleus has non-zero spin

The present situation (very broad  ${}^{9}C+p$  resonances &  $I({}^{9}C) = 3/2$ ) will be a good place for testing the new experimental technique.

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Borromean ring

# Limited information on <sup>10</sup>Li

 $J^{\pi}$  (<sup>9</sup>Li) = 3/2<sup>-</sup> <sup>9</sup>Li+n (s1/2) à  $J^{\pi}$  = 1<sup>-</sup> or 2<sup>-</sup> <sup>9</sup>Li+n (p1/2) à  $J^{\pi}$  = 1<sup>+</sup> or 2<sup>+</sup>

Four low-lying components  $J^{\pi} = 2^{-}, 1^{-}, 1^{+} \& 2^{+},$ but only two observed. **No clear**  $J^{\pi}$  assignment.



# <sup>9</sup>C+p as a new approach



# <sup>10</sup>N (<sup>9</sup>C+p) Resonances



Search for very broad <sup>10</sup>N resonances in <sup>9</sup>C+p scattering

# **Outline of Experiment**

- Resonant elastic scattering <sup>9</sup>C + p → <sup>10</sup>N → <sup>9</sup>C + p with a low-energy <sup>9</sup>C beam at 5.6 MeV/u and a spin-polarized proton target.
- Measurement of excitation function and analyzing power
- Investigation of low-lying resonances of <sup>10</sup>N
  Ø Mass of <sup>10</sup>N
  Ø Information on n-<sup>9</sup>Li

# Do we need analyzing power $(A_v)$ ?









• Clearer  $J^{\pi}$  assignment

Effective to solve broad resonances

**R**-matrix calculations

#### Is A<sub>v</sub> really necessary?



One p-wave 2+ resonance $\rightarrow A_y \sim 0.6$ Two p-wave resonances (2+ & 1+) $\rightarrow A_y \sim 1.0$  (almost doubled)due to constructive contributions from 2+ & 1+

Yes, necessary.

#### **Thick Target Method in Inverse Kinematics Method**

- Energy loss of beam in target
  - $\Rightarrow$  Excitation function with single incident energy
- A resonance can be observed as an interference pattern of potential & resonance scattering.



## **Test Experiment (September, 2015)**

### Goals:

Production of low-E <sup>9</sup>C beam at RIPS, RIKEN
 – Use CH<sub>2</sub> degrader to improve beam intensity

- Measure excitation function with CH<sub>2</sub> target (50X50mm)
  - pol. p target for low-E experiment is under development

# **Experimental Setup (RIPS)**



Pr. Target 3.5 -4 mm Be

• Improve transmission from F1 to F2

- Suppress multiple scattering effects in the thick degrader
  - Smaller angular spread reduces positional spread at downstream

 Use lighter material for degraders such as CH<sub>2</sub>

### **Result of Beam Production**

- Purity of <sup>9</sup>C beam is 15%
- <sup>9</sup>C Intensity at F3 was 25 kps
- Beam intensity **1.8 times** higher with CH<sub>2</sub> degrader at F2
  - Compared with standard Al degrader



### **Experimental Setup**



### **Recoil Particle Identification**



# **Background Reduction**

- Reactions of beam particles with C in the target
  - C target data was taken for B.G. subtraction
- Beta-delayed events
- Beta decay of stopped 9C in the target: 9C -> 9B\* +  $\beta$ +
  - 9B\* -> 8Be + p , 9B\* -> 5Li +  $\alpha$
  - B.G. spectrum was evaluated by selecting events with different timing

22.5

deg.

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- Thin CH<sub>2</sub> target run
  - Heavy ions / protons ware detected at 0 / 22.5 deg.
  - Analysis of inelastic data is still in progress

#### The Spectra on Tel.1 (left) and Tel.2 (right) after Efficiency Corrections



#### **R-matrix Fit Parameters (Preliminary)**



and Tel.2(right) with R- matrix calculations.

# **IV. Proton Target**

#### Polarization enhancement and development of enlarged polarized proton target



#### Towards low-E exp. with polarized protons

#### • Polarized target requirements:

- Cooling gas -> Vacuum environment
- Target thickness: 1mm -> 0.1 mm
- Need to change the molecular axis by rotating it 90 deg to make the crystal less fragile



- Estimated polarization is ~13%

#### Intercepting laser from SSD

- Thin foil?
- Veto during laser irradiation?
- Laser injection from 0 deg.?



## Summary

- Proton resonant scattering from <sup>9</sup>C at 5.6 MeV/u with a spin-polarized proton target was proposed
- Low-lying level structure of <sup>10</sup>N (mass,  $E_R$ ,  $\Gamma$ ,  $J^{\pi}$ ) will be revealed by analyzing power and excitation function

- Test experiment with unpolarized target was performed
  - Low energy 4 MeV/u 9C beam was produced at RIPS
  - Use of CH2 degrader increases beam intensity by factor of 1.8 (compare to standard Al degrader)
  - Data analysis is still in progress

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# Backups

### **Beta-delayed events**

Beta-delayed proton spectrum was evaluated

Beta decay of stopped 9C in the target:

by selecting events with different timing  $9C \rightarrow 9B^* + \beta^+$  $9B^* -> 5Li + \alpha$ 9B\* -> 8Be + p Beta-delayed proton spectra were evaluated for C and CH2 targets.  $\alpha + \alpha + p$ E1-T sec 2,cut 1Tel1 proton\_sec2\_cut1\_time\_Tel1 <sub>ന</sub>150 15102 Entries CM Tel1 (9C on CH2) Mean x 5.30 cm\_delayed\_9C\_CH2\_Tel1 Timing(PPAC\_A to SSD)[ns] 8.09 18279 Mean v Entries Std Dev x 2.95 Mean 1.686 0.683 Std Dev **Beta-delayed** events Std Dev y 1500 Signal + B.G. 9C+p / 12C events 1000 Signal 500 0<sub>0</sub> 2 3 5 4 6 E\_cm[MeV] 150 18 0 2 6 10 12 14 16 20 8 SSD E1 [MeV]

#### Delayed proton B.G. was successfully extracted

# C background

Reactions of beam particles with C in the target C target data was taken for B.G. subtraction



## Angular spread due to multiple scattering

Angular spread

$$\theta_0 = \frac{13.6}{\beta c p} z \sqrt{x/X_0} \left[ 1 + 0.038 \ln(x/X_0) \right]$$

$$X_0 = \frac{716.4A}{Z(Z) + 1) \ln(287/\sqrt{Z})}$$

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Use lighter material for degraders such as CH<sub>2</sub> or Be

LISE++ simulation



#### Smaller angular spread reduces positional spread at downstream

## <sup>9</sup>C beam intensity at F3 (LISE++ sim.)



#### Gain factor of two is expected with CH2 degrader.

### Research Development Procedures: Solid Polarized Proton Target Using Optical Pumping



1. Optical pumping excitation, electron population

- 2. Polarization transfer
- 3. Decay to ground state

 Due to dipole interaction, polarization diffuses to the protons within the molecules

 $\left|\frac{\langle T_3 | \mathcal{H}_{SO} | S_1 \rangle}{E_{T_3} - E_{S_1}}\right|^2$ Due to spin orbit coupling: singlet  $\rightarrow$  triplet

Solid pentacene target excitation model

#### **Solid Polarized Proton Target for RI Experiments**



#### Solid polarized proton target @RIKEN/CNS



T. Wakui et al., NIM A 550 (2005) 521. T. Uesaka et al., NIM A 526 (2004) 186.