

Compound nuclear reaction mechanisms of light composite particles

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Breakup and stripping reactions



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The IAV formalism

The inclusive proton breakup cross section

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega_p dE_p} = \frac{d^2\sigma^{EBU}}{d\Omega_p dE_p} + \frac{d^2\sigma^{NEB}}{d\Omega_p dE_p}$$

is the sum of the elastic breakup cross section (EBU),

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma^{EBU}}{d\Omega_p dE_p} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar v_d} \rho_p(E_p) \int \left| T(\vec{k}_p, \vec{k}_n; \vec{k}_d) \right|^2 \delta(E_d + \varepsilon_d - E_p - E_n) d\vec{k}_n$$

defined in terms of the post-form DWBA matrix element,

$$T(\vec{k}_{p},\vec{k}_{n};\vec{k}_{d}) = \left\langle \tilde{\chi}_{p}^{(-)}(\vec{k}_{p},\vec{r}_{p})\tilde{\chi}_{n}^{(-)}(\vec{k}_{n},\vec{r}_{n}) |v_{np}(\vec{r})| \chi_{d}^{(+)}(\vec{k}_{d},\vec{R})\phi_{d}(\vec{r}) \right\rangle$$

The IAV formalism

and the nonelastic breakup cross section (NEB or BF,p),

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma^{NEB}}{d\Omega_p dE_p} = -\frac{2}{\hbar v_d} \rho_b(E_B) \left\langle \Psi_n(\vec{k}_p, \vec{r}_n; \vec{k}_d) \middle| W_n(\vec{r}_n) \middle| \Psi_n(\vec{k}_p, \vec{r}_n; \vec{k}_d) \right\rangle$$

which can be interpreted as the generalized absorption cross section of the breakup neutron,

$$\left|\Psi_{n}(\vec{k}_{p},\vec{r}_{n};\vec{k}_{d})\right\rangle = \left(\tilde{\chi}_{p}^{(-)}(\vec{k}_{p},\vec{r}_{p})G_{n}^{(+)}(\vec{r}_{n},\vec{r}_{n}')\left|v_{pn}(\vec{r})\right|\chi_{d}^{(+)}(\vec{k}_{d},\vec{R})\phi_{d}(\vec{r})\right\rangle$$

The theory is old. Systematic calculations are more recent.

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Spectra



Ta:

 $R_{bu} \approx 14.6 \,\mathrm{fm}$ $R_{int} \approx 8.6 \,\mathrm{fm}$

$$E_{n,peak} \approx \frac{1}{2} \left(E_d - \frac{Ze^2}{R_{bu}} - \varepsilon_d \right)$$
$$E_{p,peak} \approx \frac{1}{2} \left(E_d + \frac{Ze^2}{R_{bu}} - \varepsilon_d \right)$$



Inclusive double differential cross sections

56 MeV (d,p)



S. Araki, Methods Phys. Res. A, 842, 62, (2017).

102 MeV (d,n)

EMPIRE3 reaction code

- Calculates pre-equilibrium and equilibrium emission from the compound nucleus

- Takes into account emission of $\gamma,$ n, p, d, t, ^3He and α

- The IAV formalism is integrated into the code

- Deuteron-induced reactions form three compound nuclei

$$d + (Z,A) \rightarrow (Z+1,A+2)^*$$

$$\rightarrow (Z+1,A+1)^* + n$$

$$\rightarrow (Z,A+1)^* + p$$

M. Herman et al., Nucl. Data Sheets 108, 2655 (2007).

$$\sigma_x = \frac{\pi}{k_d^2} \sum_l \left(2l+1\right) T_{l,x}$$



The (d,2n) reaction

Complete fusion $d + (Z,A) \rightarrow (Z+1,A+2)^*$ $\rightarrow (Z+1,A) + 2n$

Breakup-fusion

$$d + (Z,A) \rightarrow (Z+1,A+1)^* + n$$

 $\rightarrow (Z+1,A) + 2n$

- The NEB cross section can include inelastic breakup as well as breakup fusion

- How important is the inelastic breakup (IBU)?

- Look at heavy nuclei, where charged particle emission is suppressed.

- Only neutrons are emitted.



(d,2n) activation cross sections



Experimental data taken from the EXFOR library.

Exclusive (d,pg) and (d,pf)



15 MeV - Q. Ducasse et al., Phys. Rev. C 94, 024614 (2016). 18 MeV - H.C. Britt and J.D. Cramer, Phys. Rev. C 2, 1758 (1970).



The (n,f) cross section

The fission barriers and densities of the CIELO evaluation were used to calculate the ²³⁸U fission cross section.



The 238 U CN (BF,p) cross section corresponds to about 10% of the total CN cross section at E = 15 MeV.



R. Capote et al., NDS 148, 254 (2018).

Fission probability

The experimental (d,pf) fission probability includes all protons – both EBU and BF,p ones in the denominator.

But only BF,p protons contribute to the ²³⁸U excitation cross section.



Angular momentum transfer



The (d,p) reaction transfers more angular momentum to the compound nucleus than the neutron-induced reaction.





A. Djaloeis et al., Phys. Rev. C 27, 2389 (1983).



The (³He,d) DDX's can be described reasonably well.

The (³He,p) DDX's cannot.

As well as the ${}^{3}\text{He} \rightarrow p + d$ channel, the three-body breakup channel ${}^{3}\text{He} \rightarrow p + p + n$ must also be taken into account.

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Data : K. Pfeiffer, E. Speth, and K. Bethge, Nucl. Phys. A 206, 545 (1973).

But ...



Calculations show discrepancies with data that increase with target charge / mass.

Discrepancies appear in the forward angle diferential cross sections and the integrated inclusive cross sections. Comparison with analytic expression for elastic Coulomb breakup show that this is not a long-range convergence problem.

Collective nuclear CDCC? Incoherent secondary inelastic collisions?



N. Matsuoka, Nucl. Phys. A 345, 1 (1980).

Summary

- The IAV + CN formalism provides a reasonably good description of inclusive nucleon production in deuteron-induced reactions, as well as inclusive production of tightly-bound fragments in light-ion induced reactions.

- The (d,2n) calculations show no consistent effect of collective inelastic breakup. However, energy shifts in double differential spectra suggest that secondary inelastic collisions are not negligible.

- The (d,pf) reaction illustrates the importance of the additional angular momentum transferred to the compound nucleus when compared to the neutron-induced reaction.

- The model must be extended to three-body fragmentation to describe more complex channels, such as He -> p + p + n or He -> α + n + n.

- More complete calculations (CDCC), as well as systematic calculations, and more experimental data are needed.

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The Coulomb breakup amplitude

The Coulomb breakup amplitude can be expressed as

$$M_C = D_0 \exp[-(\eta_d + \eta_p)/2)] \Gamma(1 + i\eta_d) \Gamma(1 + i\eta_p) I_C$$

with

$$I_C = -i\frac{d}{d\lambda} \{B(\lambda)_2 F_1(-i\eta_d, -i\eta_p; 1; \zeta(\lambda))\}|_{\lambda=0}$$

where

$$B(\lambda) = B(\vec{k}_d, \vec{k}_p, \vec{k}_n; \lambda)$$
 and $\zeta(\lambda) = \zeta(\vec{k}_d, \vec{k}_p, \vec{k}_n; \lambda)$

With this, we can write the full elastic breakup amplitude as

$$T\left(\vec{k}_{p},\vec{k}_{n};k_{d}\hat{z}\right) = M_{C} + (4\pi)^{2} \sum_{l_{d}l_{p}l_{n}} i^{l_{d}+l_{p}+l_{n}} \hat{l}_{d} \hat{l}_{p} \hat{l}_{n} \begin{pmatrix} l_{d} & l_{p} & l_{n} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

L. Landau, E. Lifschitz, JETP **18** (1948) 750.
G. Baur, D. Trautmann, Phys. Rep. **25** (1976) 293
$$\times Y_{l_{d}}^{l_{p}l_{n}}\left(\hat{k}_{p},\hat{k}_{n}\right) e^{i\sigma_{d}} e^{i\sigma_{p}}\left(T_{l_{d}l_{p}l_{n}} - T_{l_{d}l_{p}l_{n}}^{0}\right)$$