

## Asymmetry Dependence of Spectroscopic Factors with Transfer Reactions



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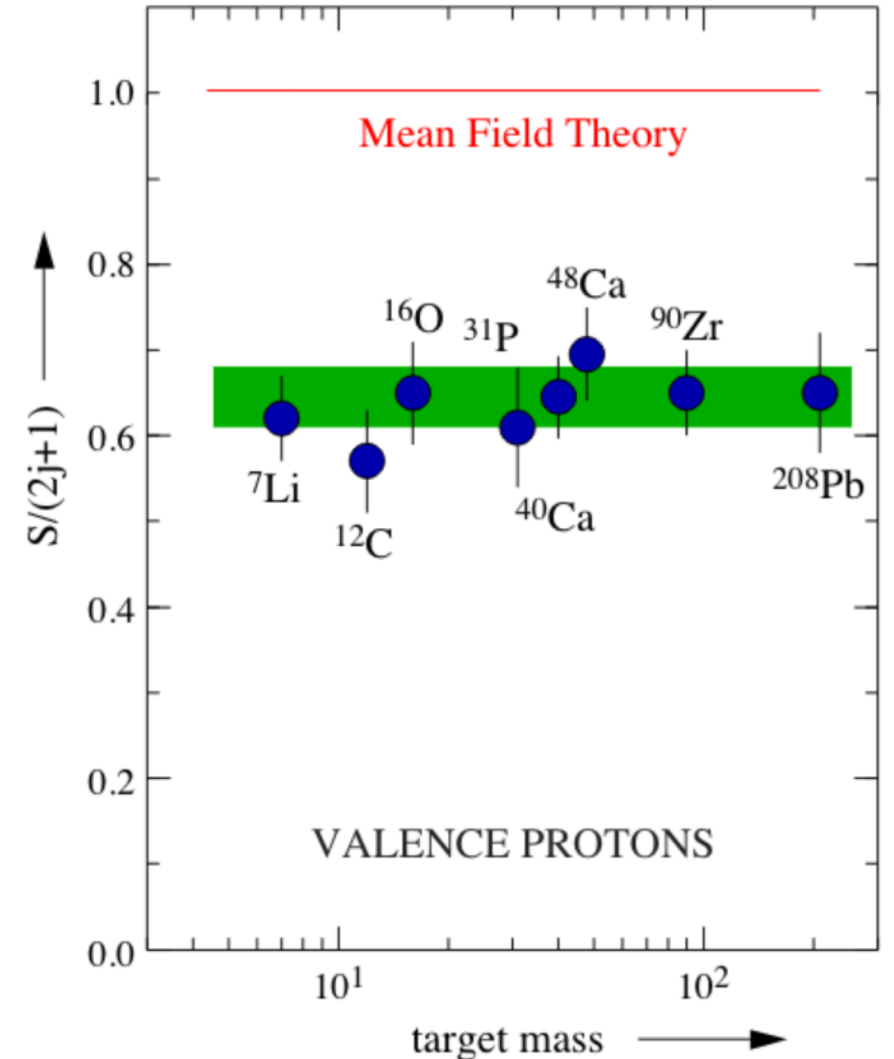


# Reduced spectroscopic factors from (e,e'p)

- In the Independent Particle Model (IPM), nucleons move independently in a mean field created by other nucleons
  - **Correlations** between individual nucleons complicate this picture
- The spectroscopic factor (SF) quantizes the occupancy of a given single particle orbital

$$SF = \int d\vec{p} \left| \langle \Psi^{N-1} | a_{\vec{p}} | \Psi^N \rangle \right|^2$$

- (e,e'p) data from NIKHEF shows substantial and consistent **reduction** in single-particle strength compared to IPM
- + Electromagnetic probe, penetrates to nuclear interior
- - Limited to stable nuclei, cannot access particle states, cannot access hole states from neutron removal

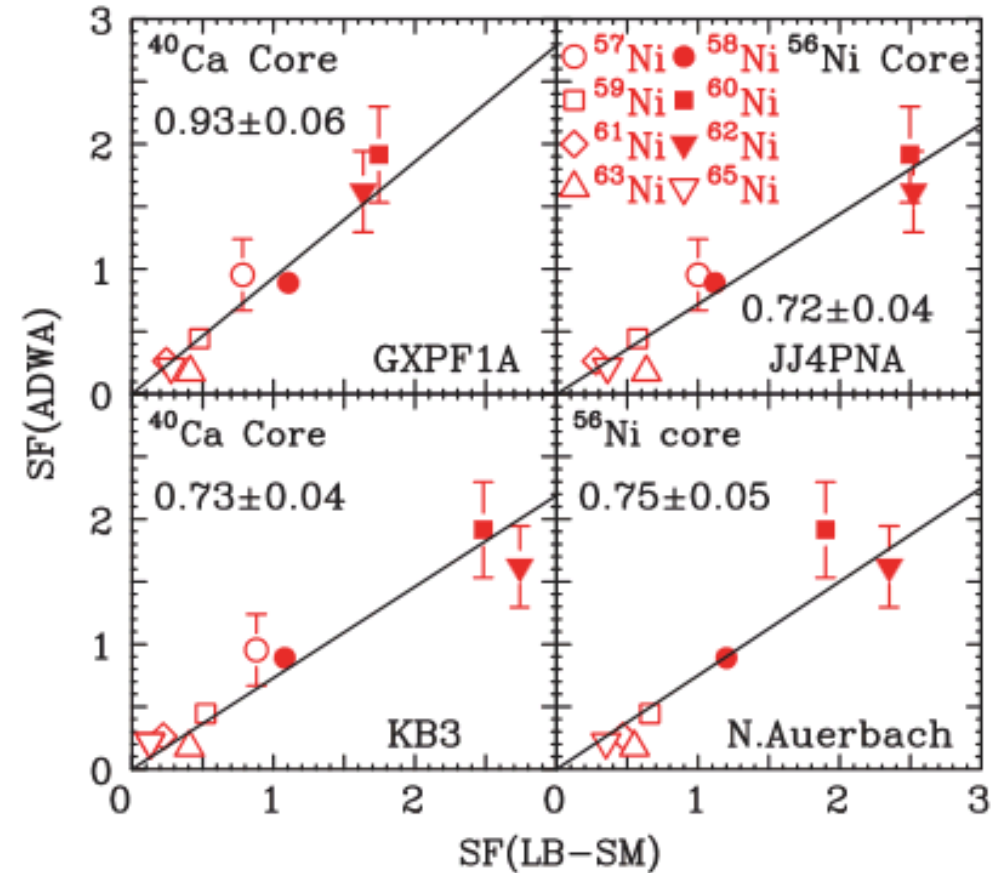
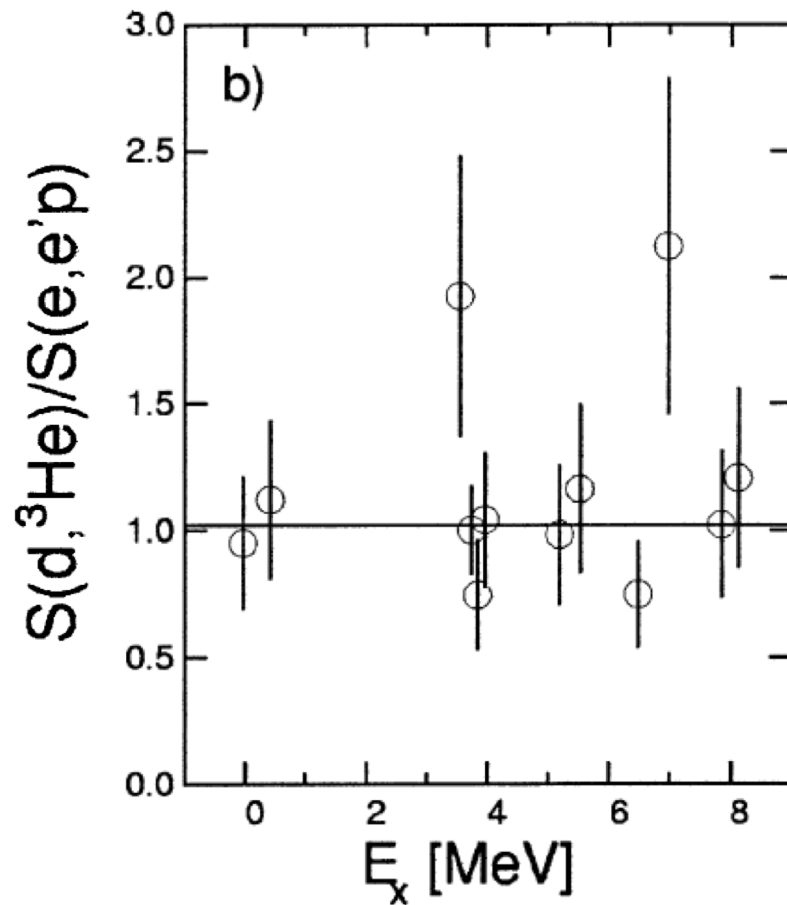


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# Transfer reactions as a probe for nuclear structure

- Transfer reactions provide more flexibility in isotope, single-particle state
- With appropriate analysis methodology, SFs consistent with (e,e'p)
- Allows for useful nuclear structure studies
- In this talk, we will focus on single-neutron pickup, or (p,d)



# Transfer reaction formalism: DWBA

## Distorted Wave Born Approximation (DWBA)

- Split potential into two components  $U_1$  and  $U_2$ , and treat  $U_2$  as a perturbation
- Prior form convenient: interaction term is  $V_{np}$
- For single-step DWBA, choosing spherical  $U_1$  results in a straightforward T-matrix expression

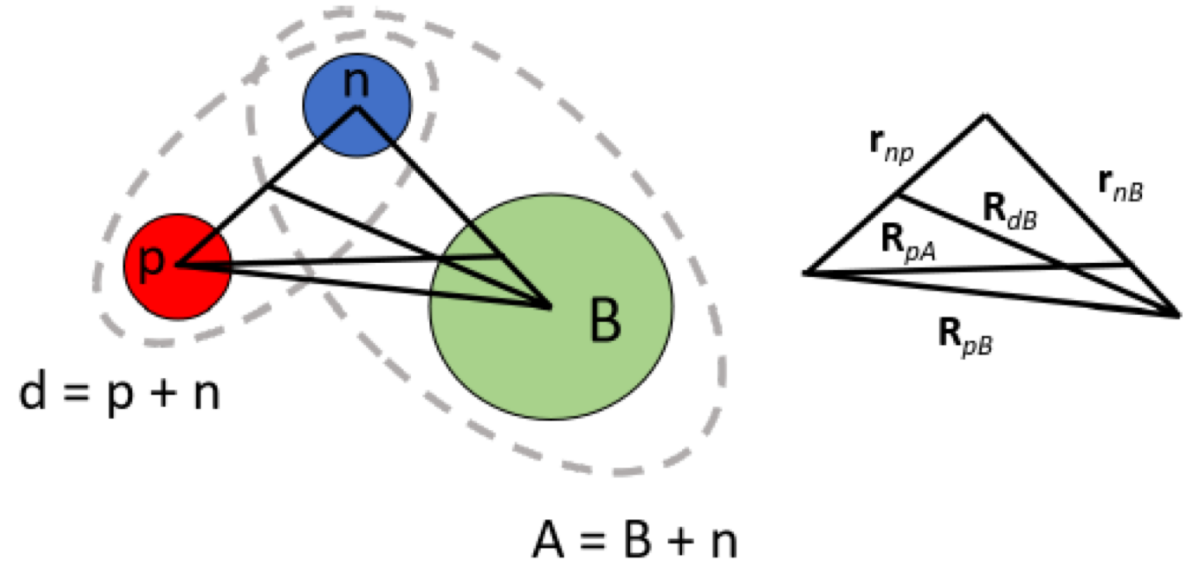
$$\mathbf{T}^{(1+2)} = \mathbf{T}^{(1)} + \mathbf{T}^{(2(1))}$$

$$H = H_{\text{prior}} = T_{\mathbf{R}_{pA}} + U_i(\mathbf{R}_{pA}) + H_A(\mathbf{r}_{nB}) + \mathcal{V}_i$$

$$= H_{\text{post}} = T_{\mathbf{R}_{dB}} + U_f(\mathbf{R}_{dB}) + H_d(\mathbf{r}_{np}) + \mathcal{V}_f$$

$$\mathcal{V}_i = V_{np}(\mathbf{r}_{np}) + \overbrace{U_{pB}(\mathbf{R}_{pB}) - U_i(\mathbf{R}_{pA})}^{\sim 0}$$

$$\mathcal{V}_f = V_A(\mathbf{r}_{nB}) + U_{pB}(\mathbf{R}_{pB}) - U_f(\mathbf{R}_{dB})$$



$$\mathbf{T}^{\text{DWBA}} = \cancel{\mathbf{T}^{(1)}} - \frac{2\mu}{\hbar^2 k} \langle \chi^* | U_2 | \chi \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{DWBA}} = -\frac{2\mu}{\hbar^2 k} \langle \chi_\alpha^* \phi_p \phi_A | V_{np} | \phi_d \phi_B \chi_\beta \rangle$$



# Transfer reaction formalism: approximations

## ■ Adiabatic Distorted Wave Approximation (ADWA)

- Internal motion of n and p in d is slow compared to d → model d-target as n-target and p-target
- Benchmarked favorably with exact Faddeev calculations for simple systems at low energies, angular mom. transfer

$$U_d(\vec{R}) = \frac{1}{D_0} \int \left\{ U_n(\vec{R} + \frac{1}{2}\vec{r}) + U_p(\vec{R} - \frac{1}{2}\vec{r}) \right\} V_{np}(\vec{r}) \phi_d(\vec{r}) d\vec{r}$$

$$D = (1 + k_b^2 \beta^2) D_0$$

## ■ Local energy approximation

- First-order correction to our assumption that np interaction is zero-range

$$V(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') = U\left(\frac{1}{2}|\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{r}'|\right) H(|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|)$$

## ■ Perey-Buck nonlocality

- Gaussian adjustment to local potential
- Will return to this issue in later slides

$$H(|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|) = \frac{\exp\left[-\left(\frac{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|}{\beta}\right)^2\right]}{\pi^{\frac{3}{2}} \beta^3}$$

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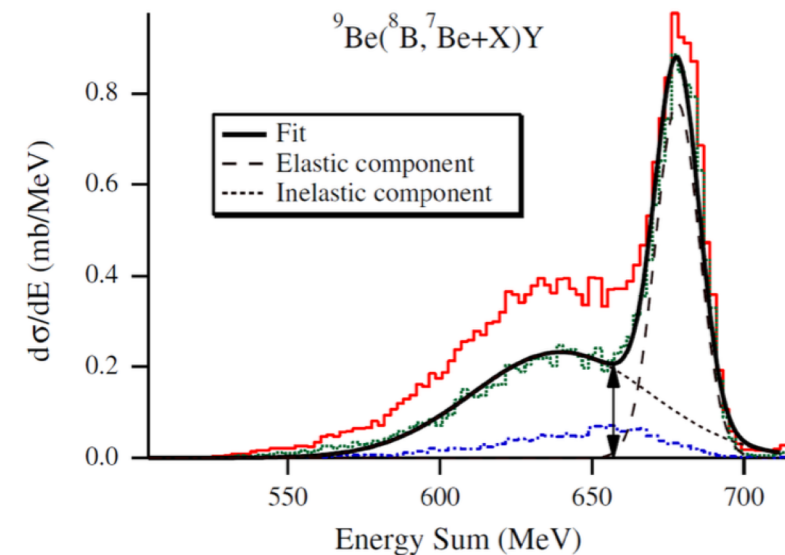
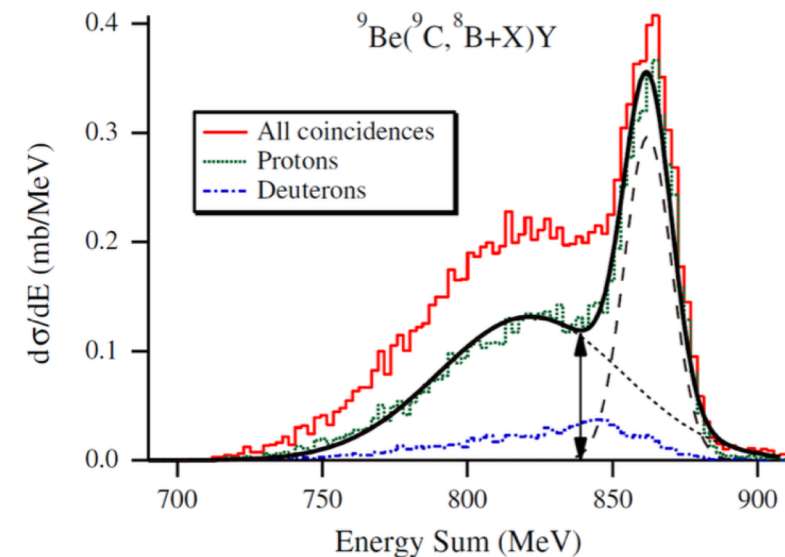
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# Knockout reactions offer high sensitivity

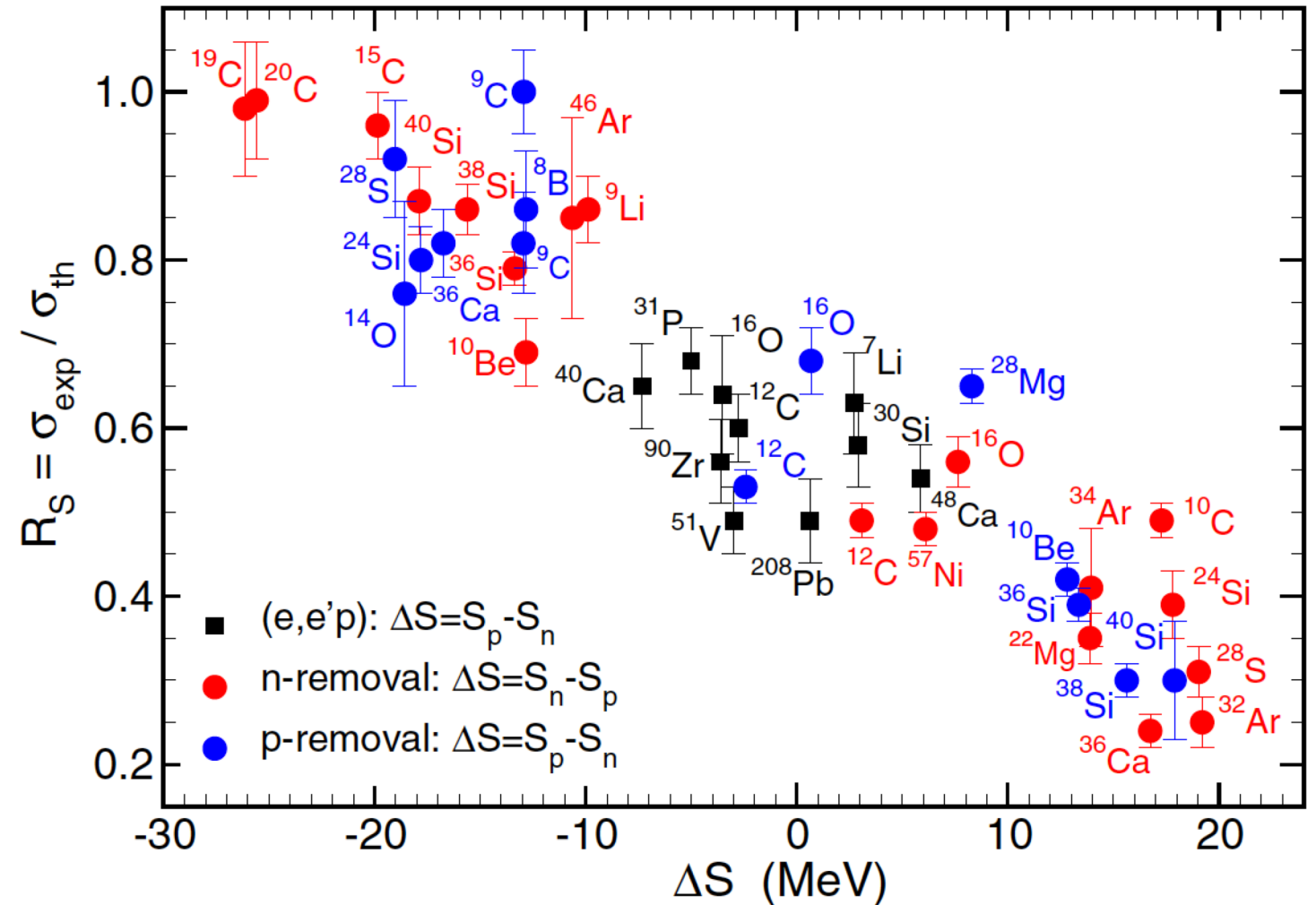
- Single-nucleon knockout works at intermediate energies and with high cross sections
  - This allows for exploration of nuclear structure at high asymmetry (i.e. low beam rates)
- Possible to separate contribution from elastic and inelastic components to constrain reaction mechanism



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# Knockout shows strong quenching at high asymmetry

- Knockout on loosely bound nucleons in  ${}^8\text{B}$  and  ${}^9\text{C}$  indicated little reduction compared to SM
- First measurement of a deeply bound case  ${}^{32}\text{Ar}$  showed massive amount of reduction (*quenching*)
- Strong (and consistent) dependence of SF reduction on the *asymmetry* of the system, represented here by difference of separation energies



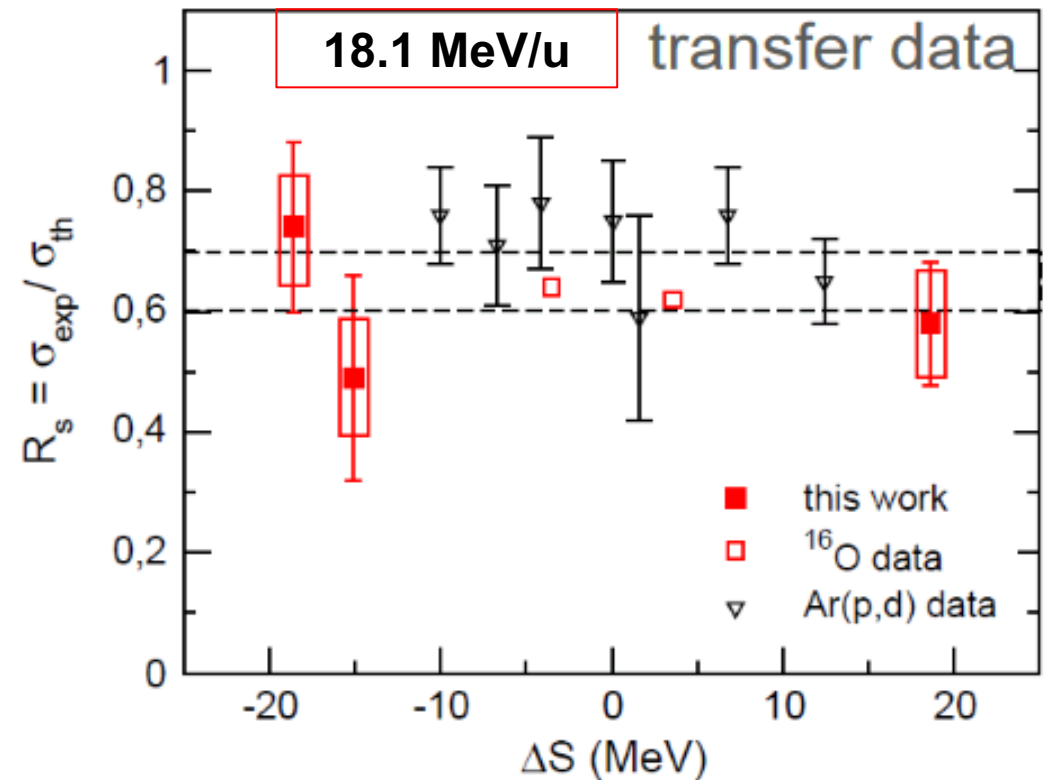
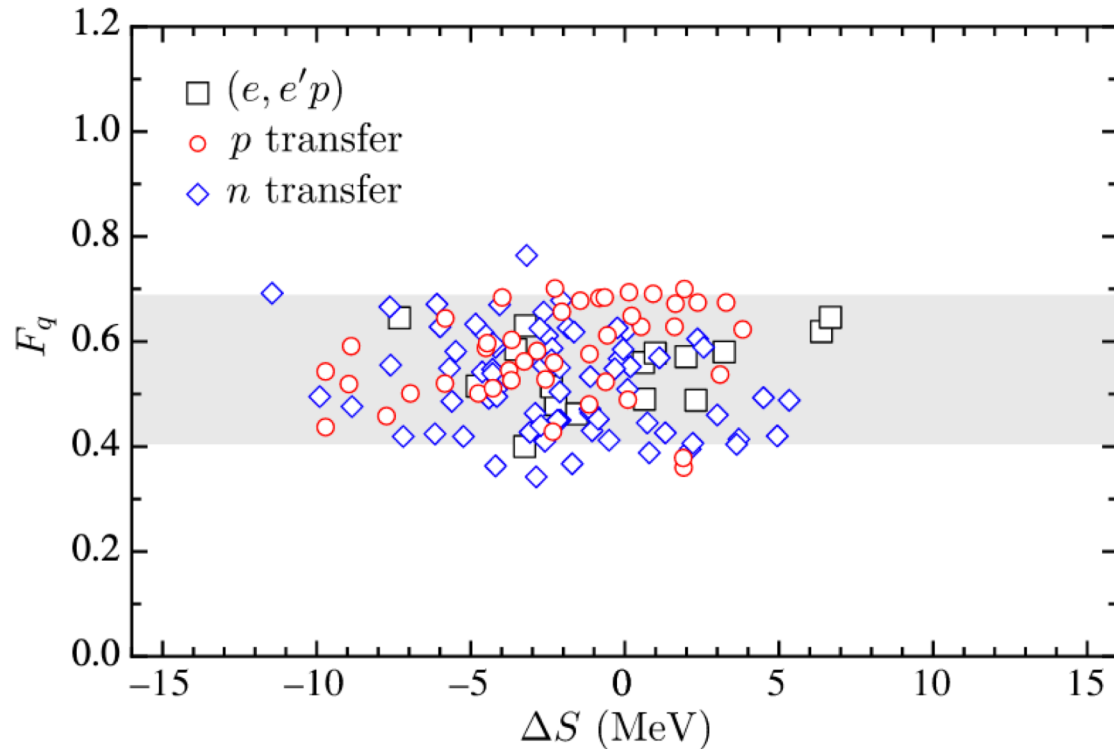
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# Transfer shows a different asymmetry trend

- Near stability, there is no evidence from transfer or (e,e'p) of strong quenching as seen in KO
- (p,d) on argon at higher asymmetry indicates no/weak quenching
- Results on asymmetric oxygen isotopes show weak dependence

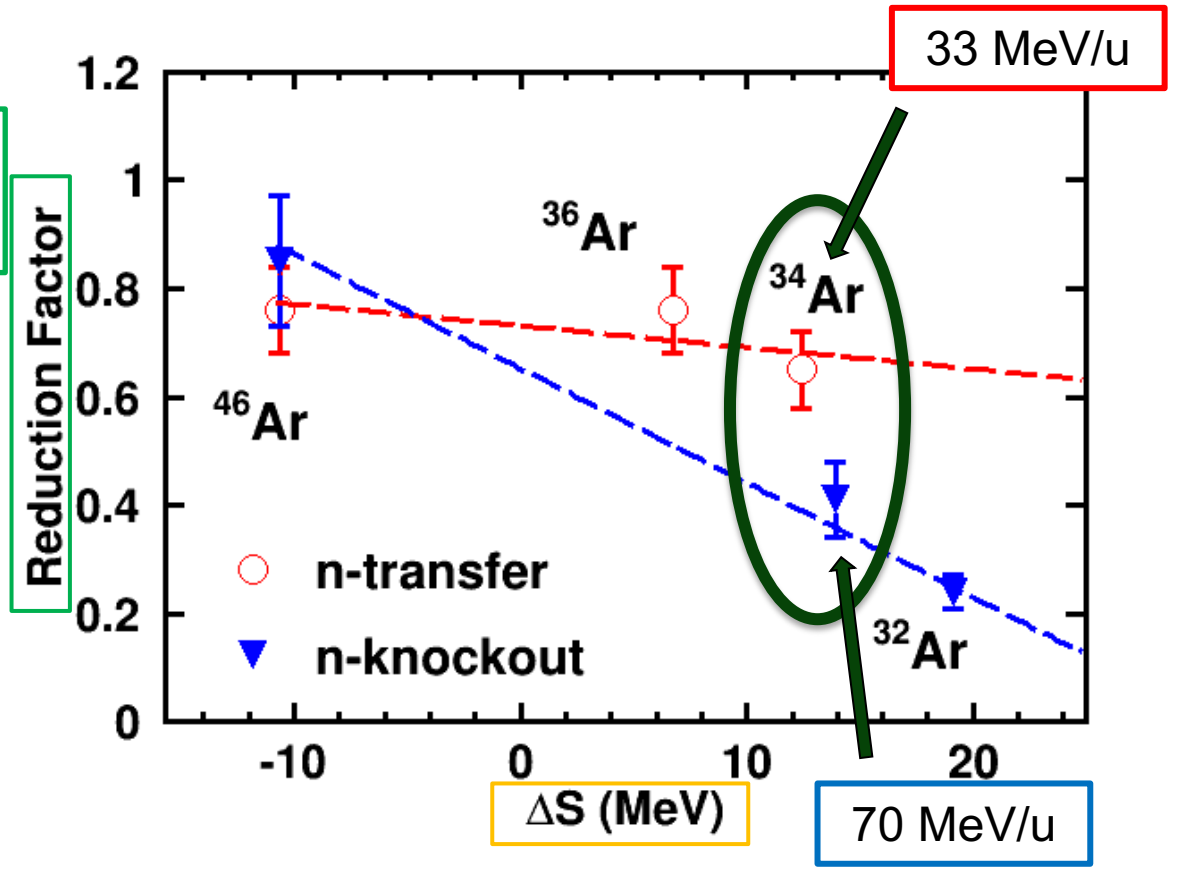


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# Discrepancy between transfer and knockout

- Comparing SFs from argon chain, there is discrepancy between transfer and knockout results
- Why?
  - Problem with experiment? Unlikely
  - Problem with reaction model? Perhaps
  - Uncertainties are too large to say? Unlikely
- Perhaps previously described transfer reaction model is insufficient: let us try to break it
  - Repeat argon (p,d) measurements again but with “knockout-like” beam energy of 70 MeV/u

$$R_s = \frac{SF_{EXP}}{SF_{SM}}$$

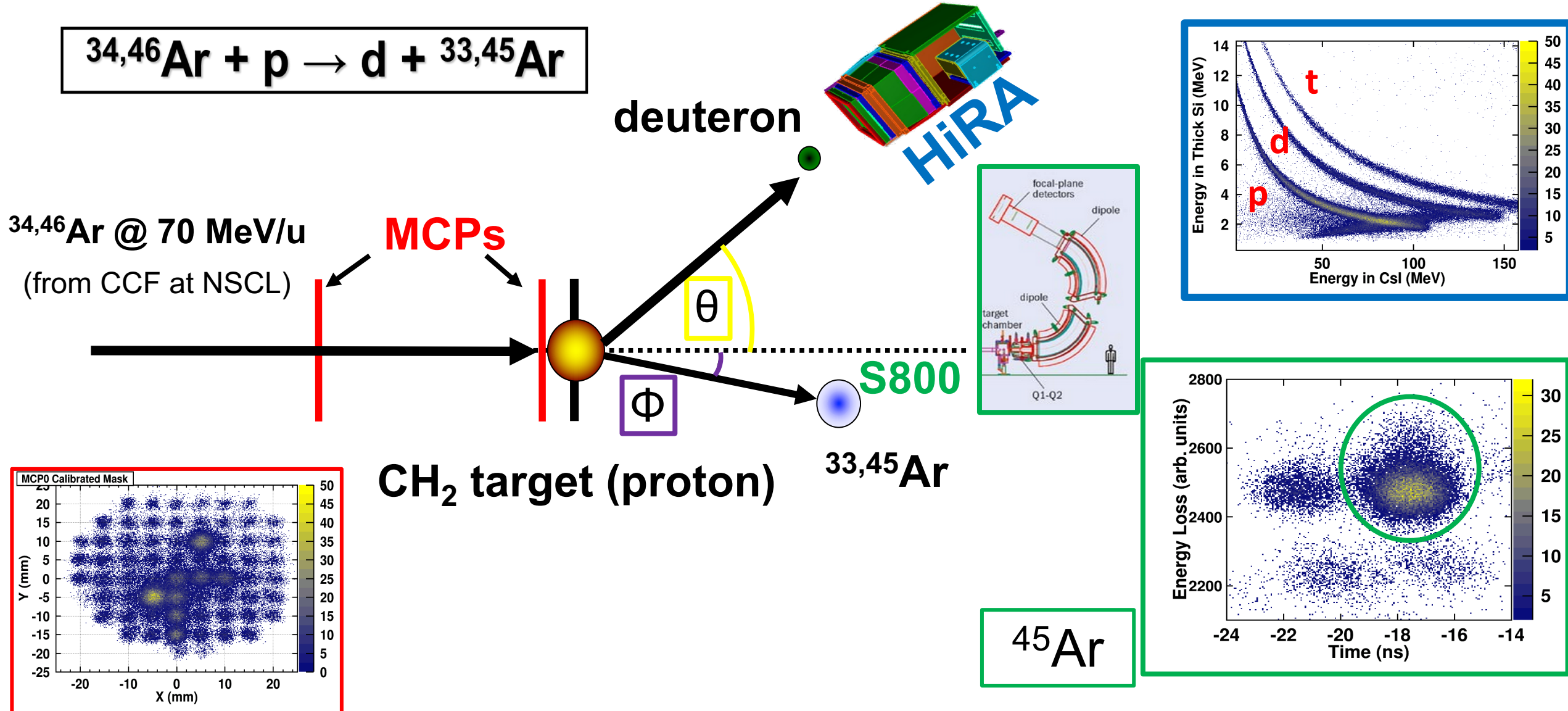
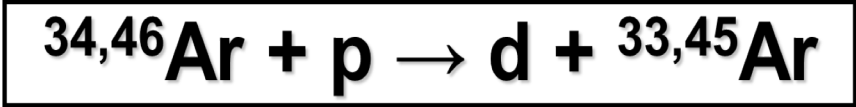


$$\Delta S = S_n - S_p$$

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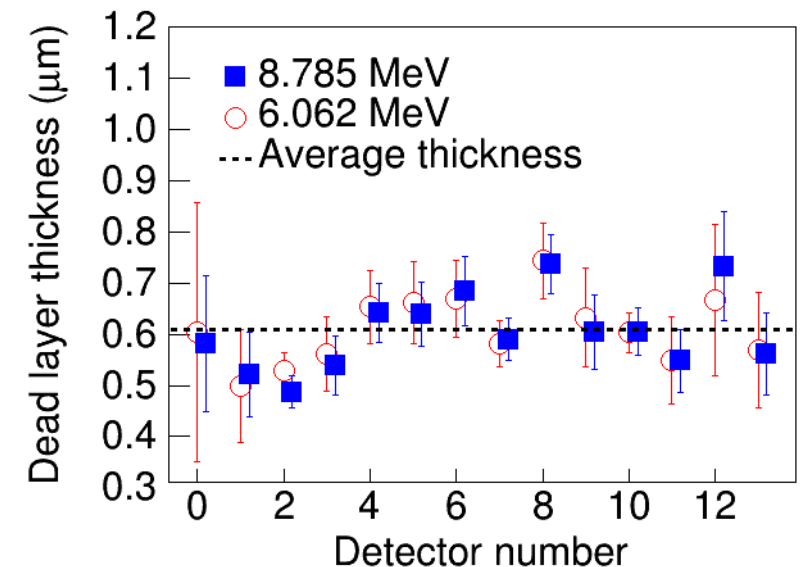
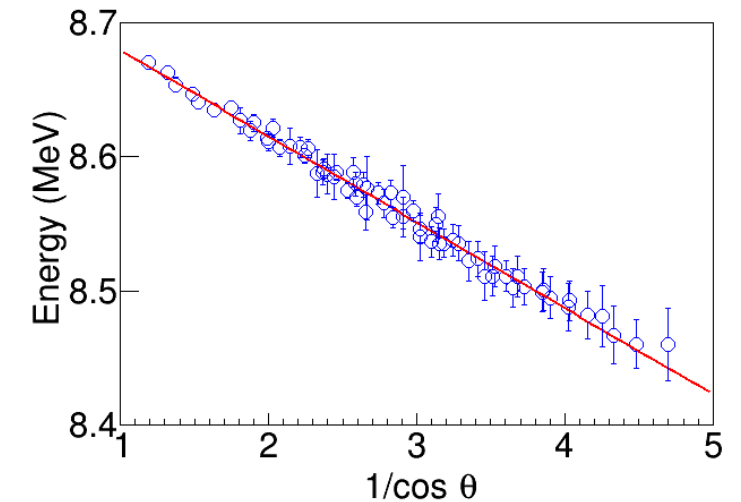
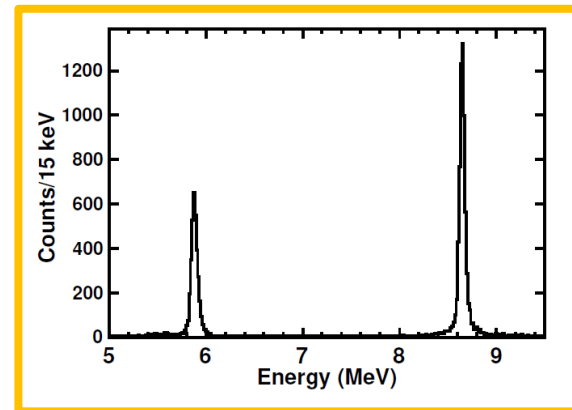
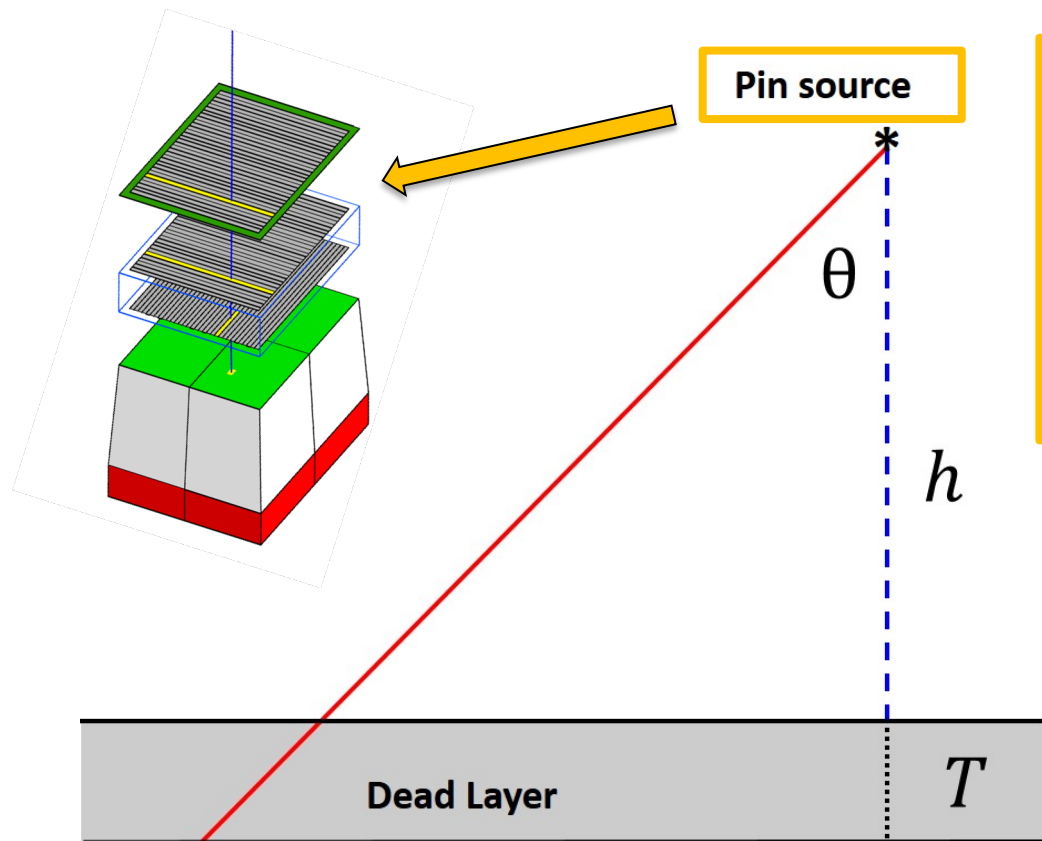


# Experimental setup for (p,d) w/ complete kinematics



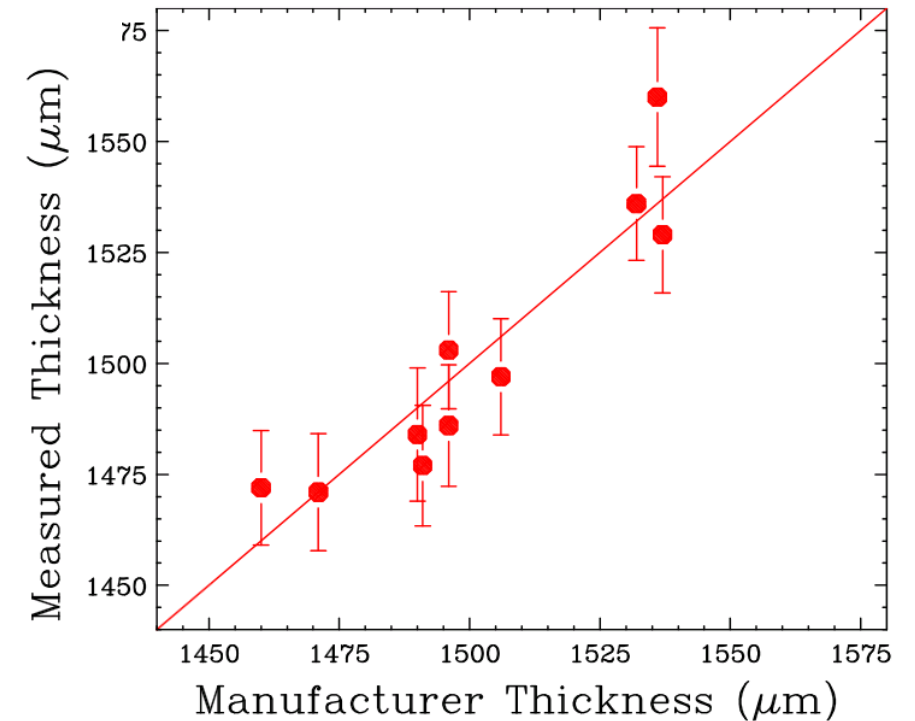
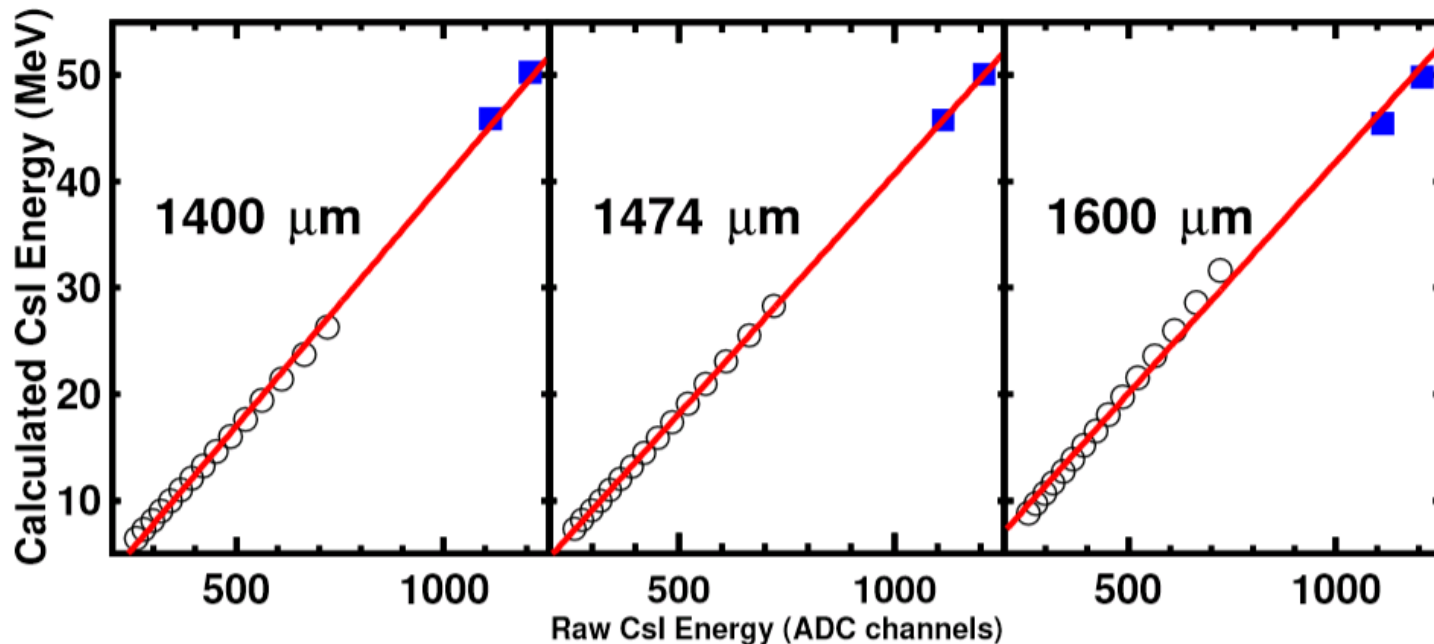
# HiRA DSSD dead layer measurements

- Irradiated pin source inserted between Si detectors + position sensitivity of DSSD also allows for dead layer thickness extraction



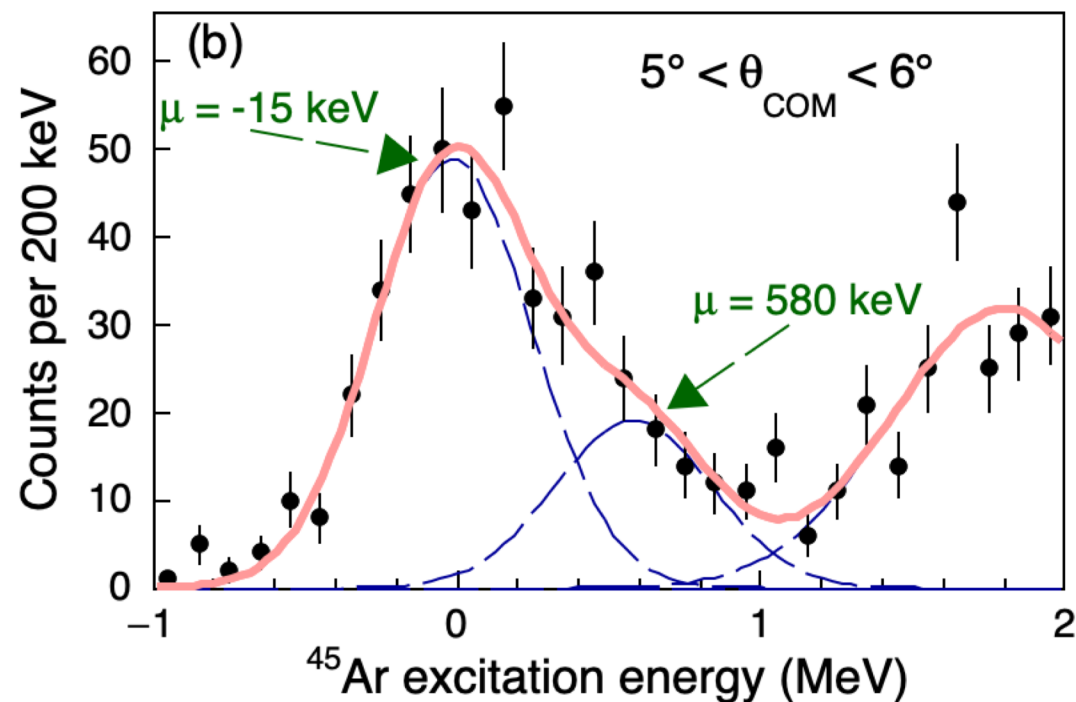
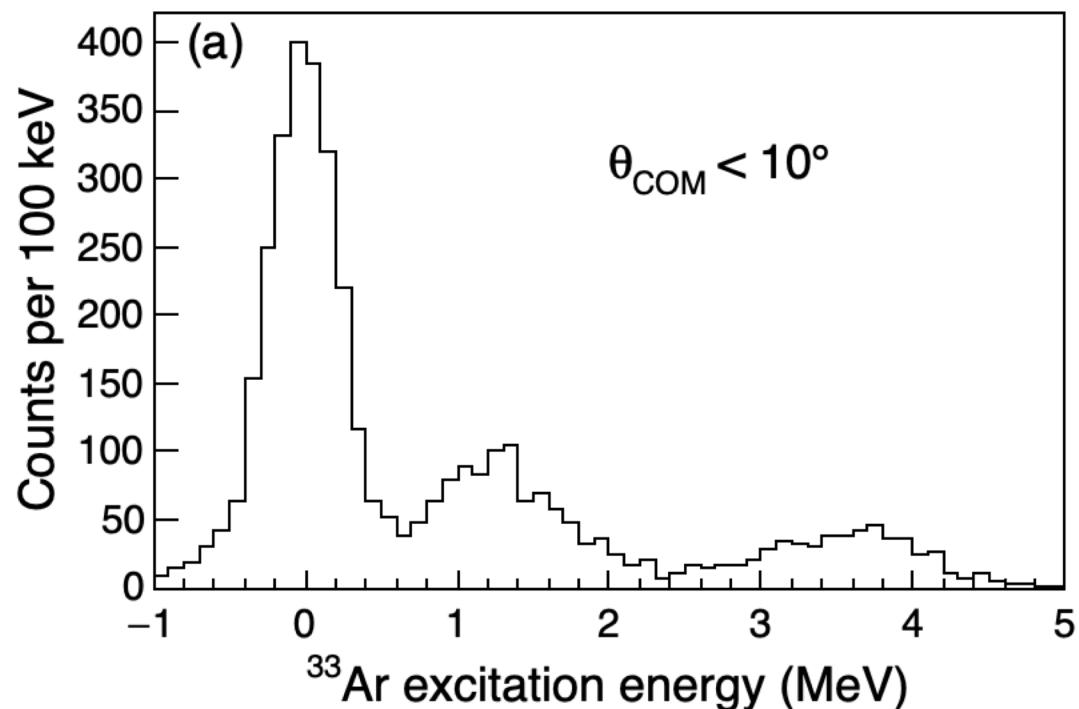
# HiRA CsI calibration + DSSD Detector Thickness

- Calibrated E data in conjunction with energy loss tables can be used to calibrate CsI, **but detector thickness important**
- Detector thickness extracted by comparing high energy elastic scattering data (solid blue squares) with low energy points calculated using energy loss tables (open circles)
- Extracted values match manufacturer thicknesses



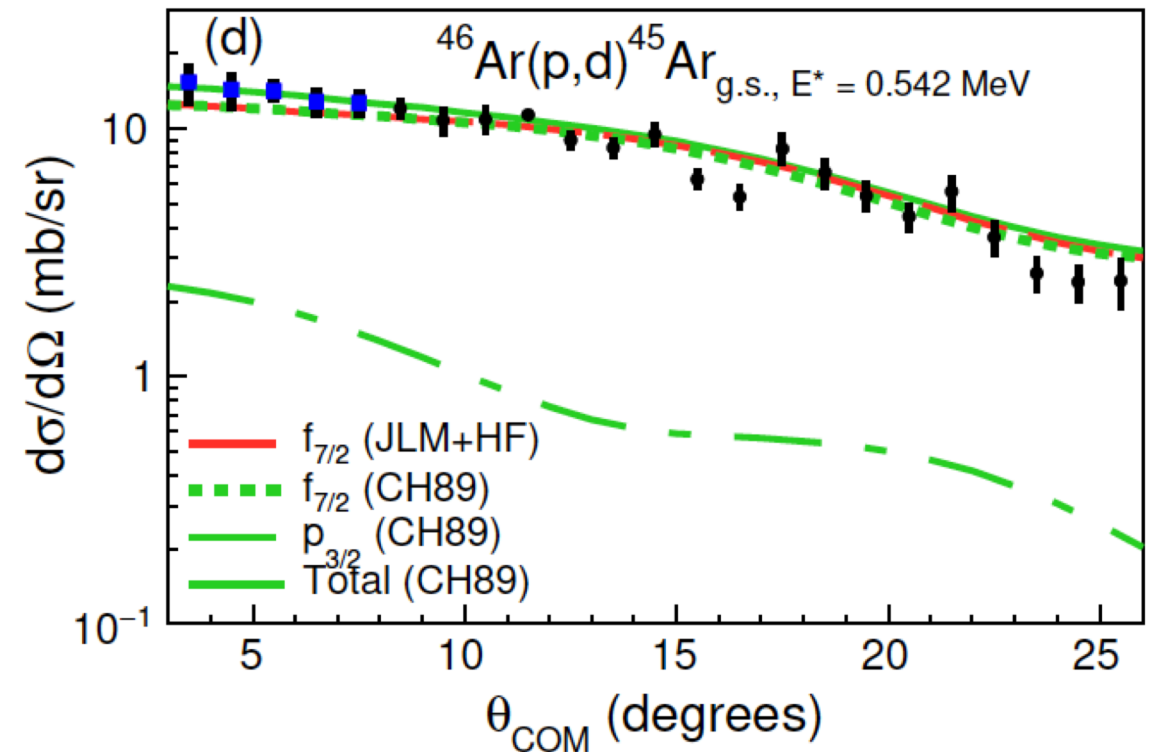
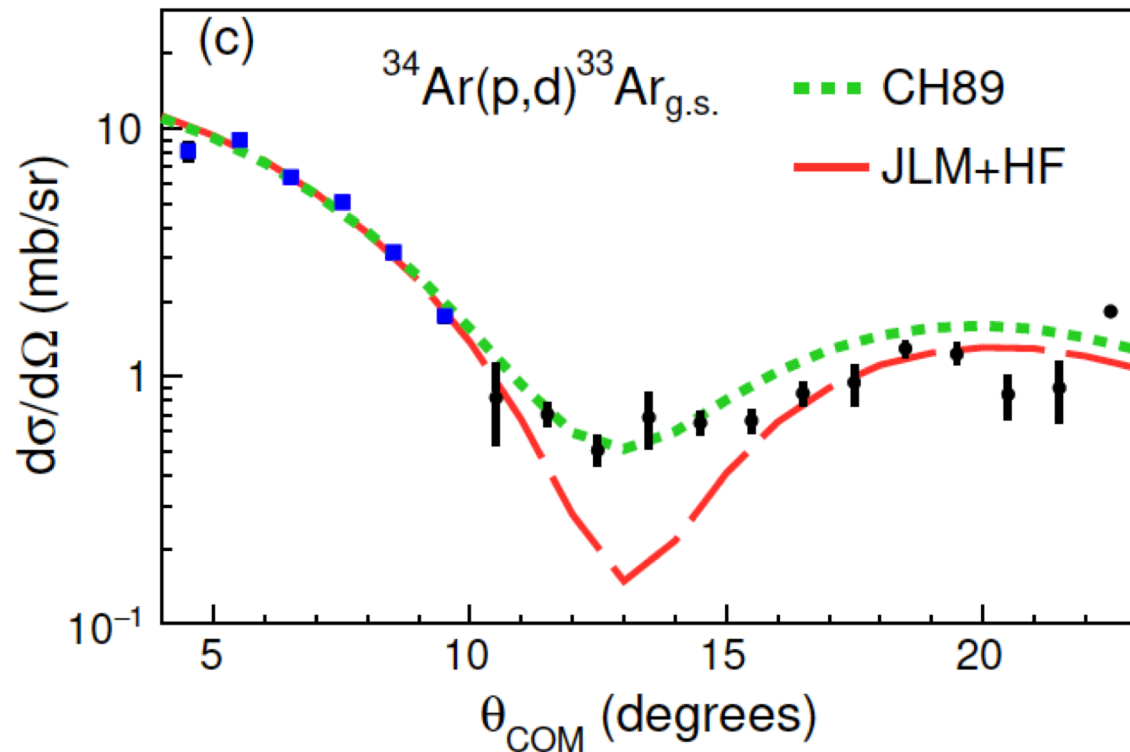
# Excitation energy spectra for $^{33}\text{Ar}$ and $^{45}\text{Ar}$

- Excitation energy spectra for heavy recoils enable exclusive g.s.-to-g.s. (p,d) measurements
- In  $^{45}\text{Ar}$  case, contribution from  $p_{3/2}$  1<sup>st</sup> excited state ( $E^* = 0.542$  MeV) separated from  $f_{7/2}$  ground state by fitting spectrum with multiple Gaussians at fixed widths set to experimental uncertainty



# Differential cross sections and SF extraction

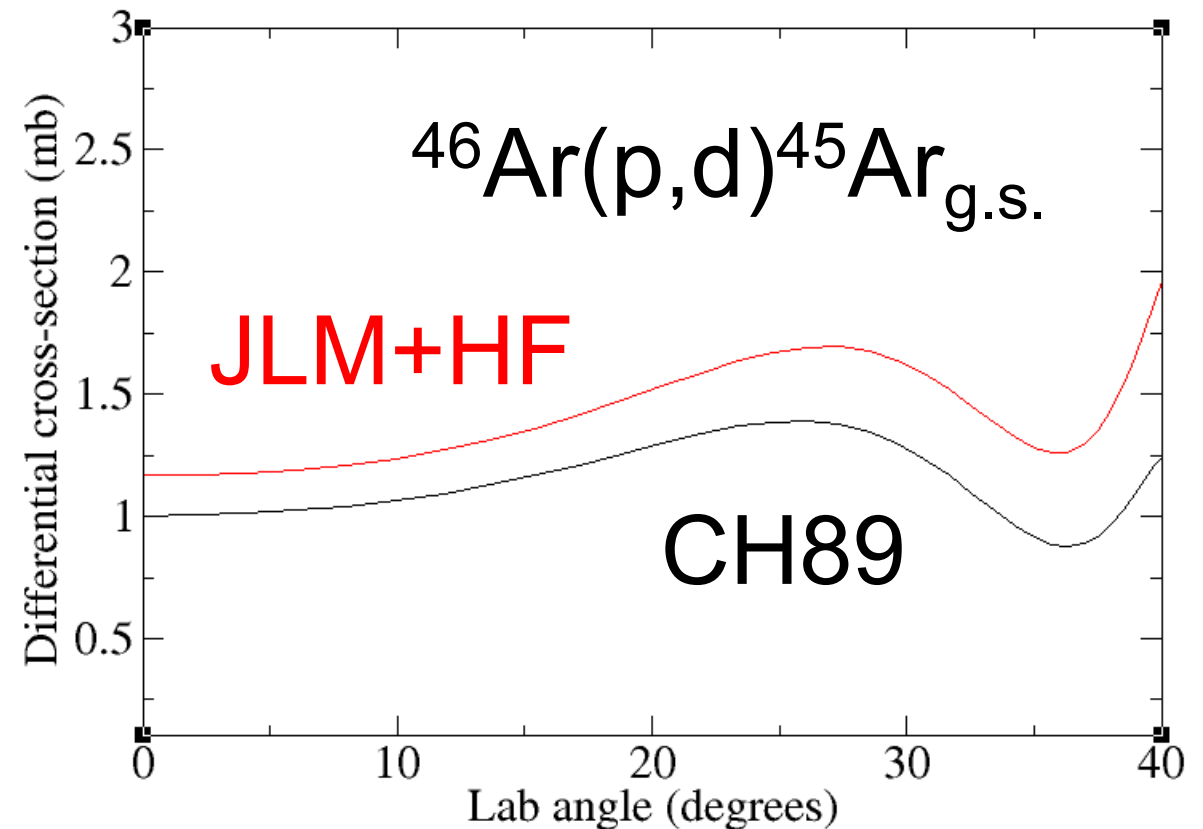
- Normalized differential cross section data compared to reaction theory calculations (see next slide) to get SFs with chi-squared minimization at forward angles (blue square points)
- Reasonable match in differential cross section shapes





# ADWA Calculations

- **TWOFNR** finite-range direct reaction code used for all calculations with aforementioned formalism + approximations
- Two separate approaches:
  - **CH89**: global parametrization across reaction data from many systems + conventional Woods-Saxon bound state
  - **JLM+HF**: microscopic calculation derived from effective nuclear densities (from Hartree-Fock with SkX) for individual systems
    - » Geometries determined by varying radius parameter to match HF rms radius of specific orbital
- Approaches differ by ~30% in cross section magnitude, but agree on asymmetry trend



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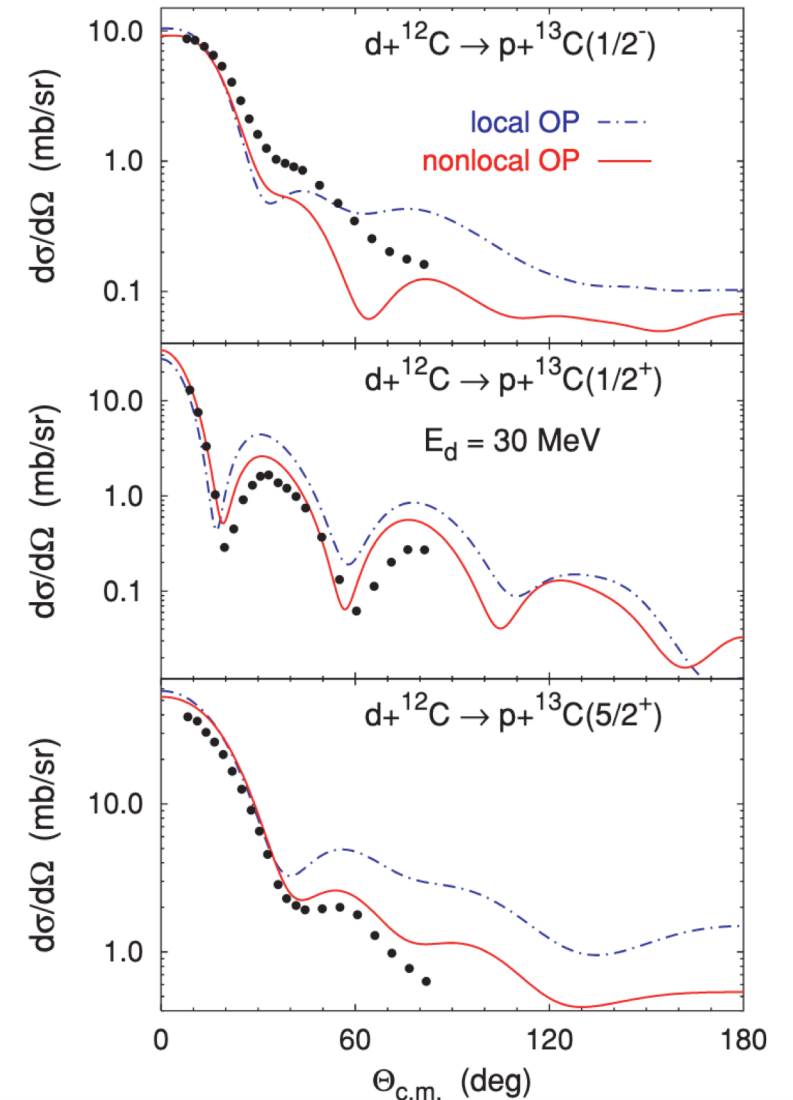
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# What about nonlocality?

- Physics is nonlocal!
  - Exchange effects, coupling to other reaction channels
- Is Perey-Buck enough?
  - Deviations from exact nonlocal treatment are well-established
- Balance between including physics and practical application to exotic systems
- Possible compromise: use local potential and add significant shift to energy at which potential is evaluated
  - Accounts for relative kinetic energy between n and p in deuteron

*See N. Timofeyuk's talk from May 12*

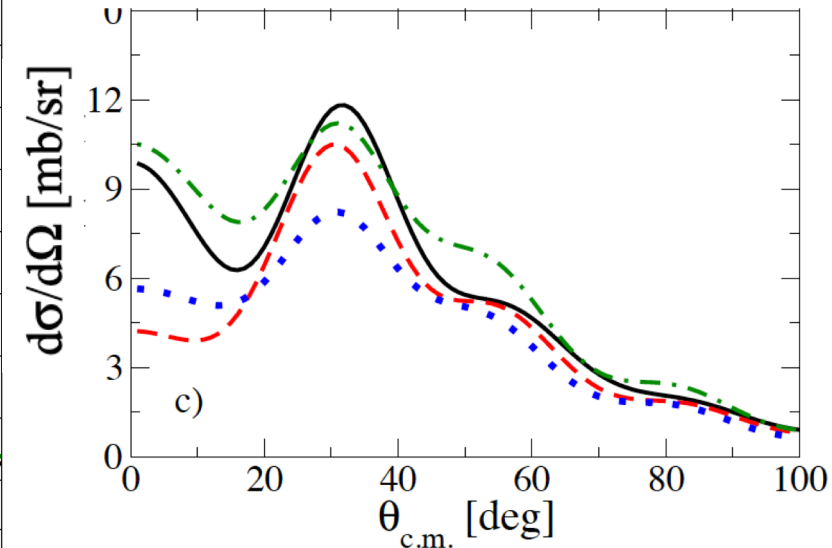
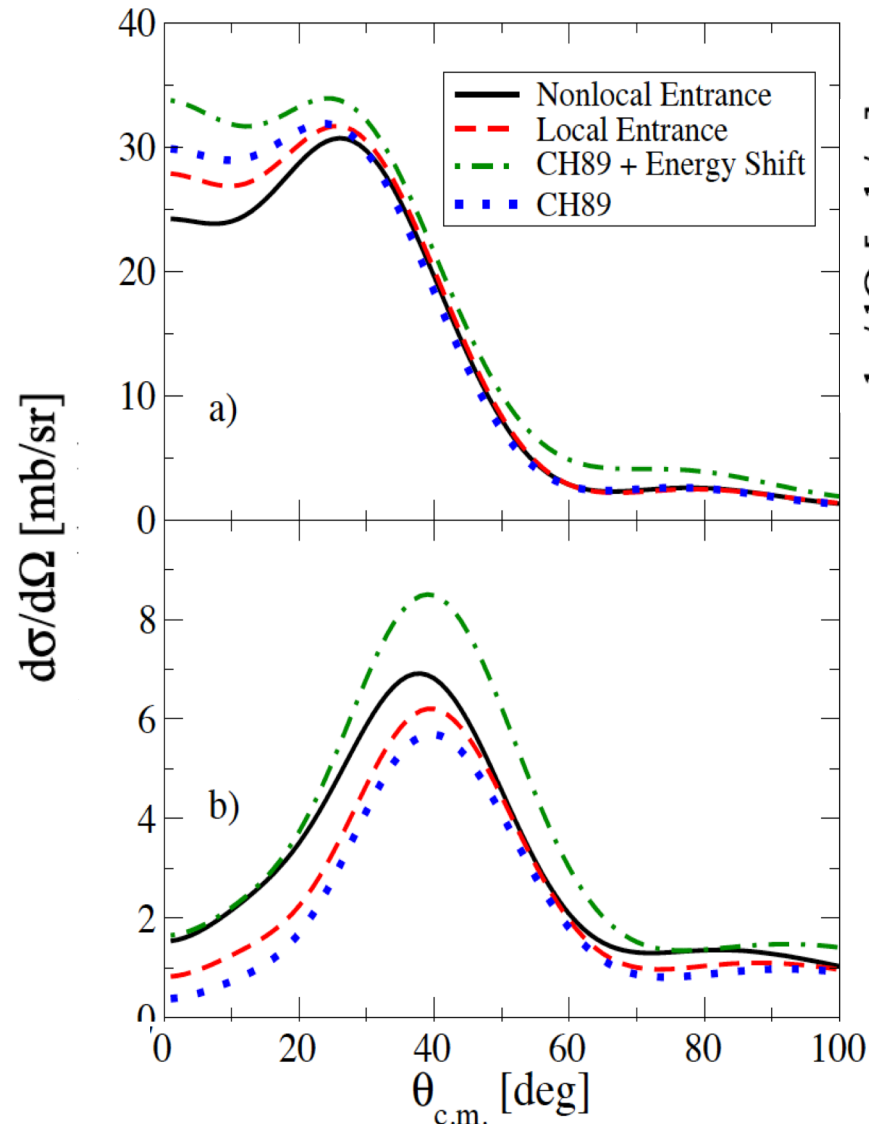


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# Effects of nonlocality in transfer reactions

- However, energy shift does not always improve the naïve local description (compared to exact nonlocal treatment)
- Because of this (and in order to best compare to previous work of Lee, et al.), we use Perey-Buck nonlocality
- This progress is still crucial to improved understanding of transfer reaction mechanism
- **Nonlocality can significantly influence individual SFs, but what is the asymmetry dependence?**



a) =  $^{16}\text{O}(d,p)$  at  $E_d = 10$  MeV

b) =  $^{40}\text{Ca}(d,p)$  at  $E_d = 10$  MeV

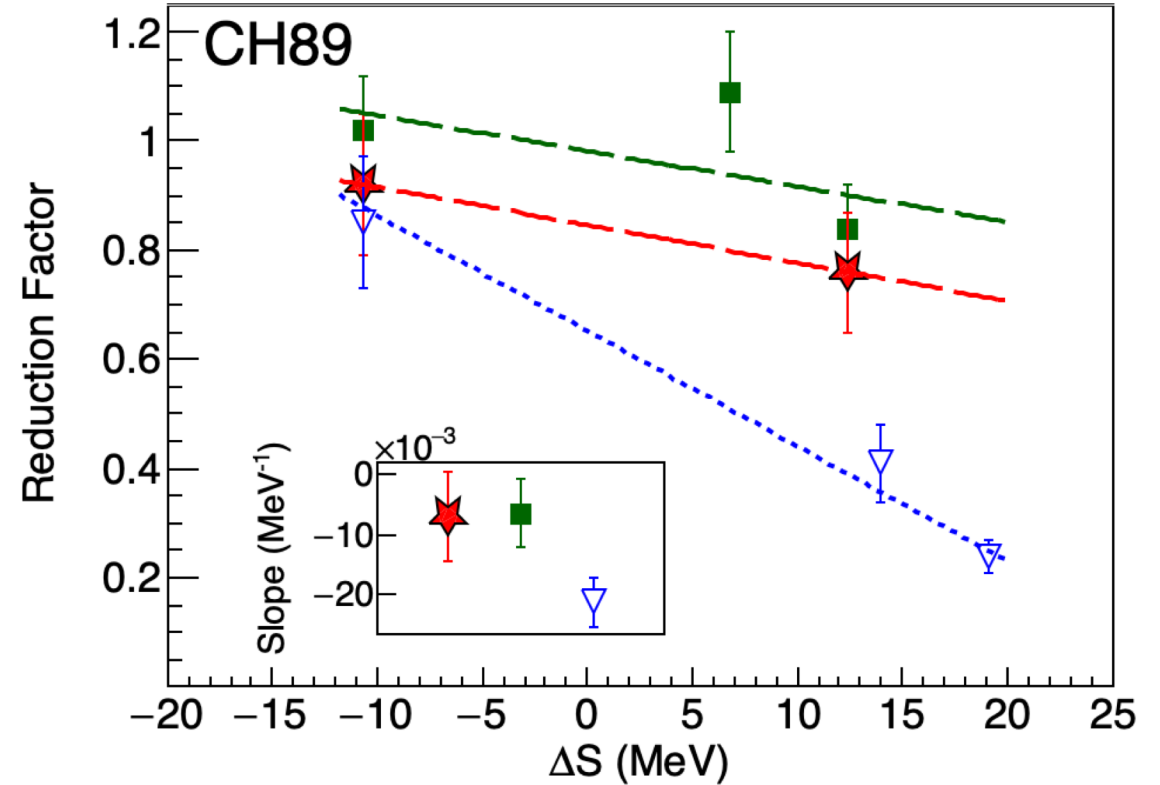
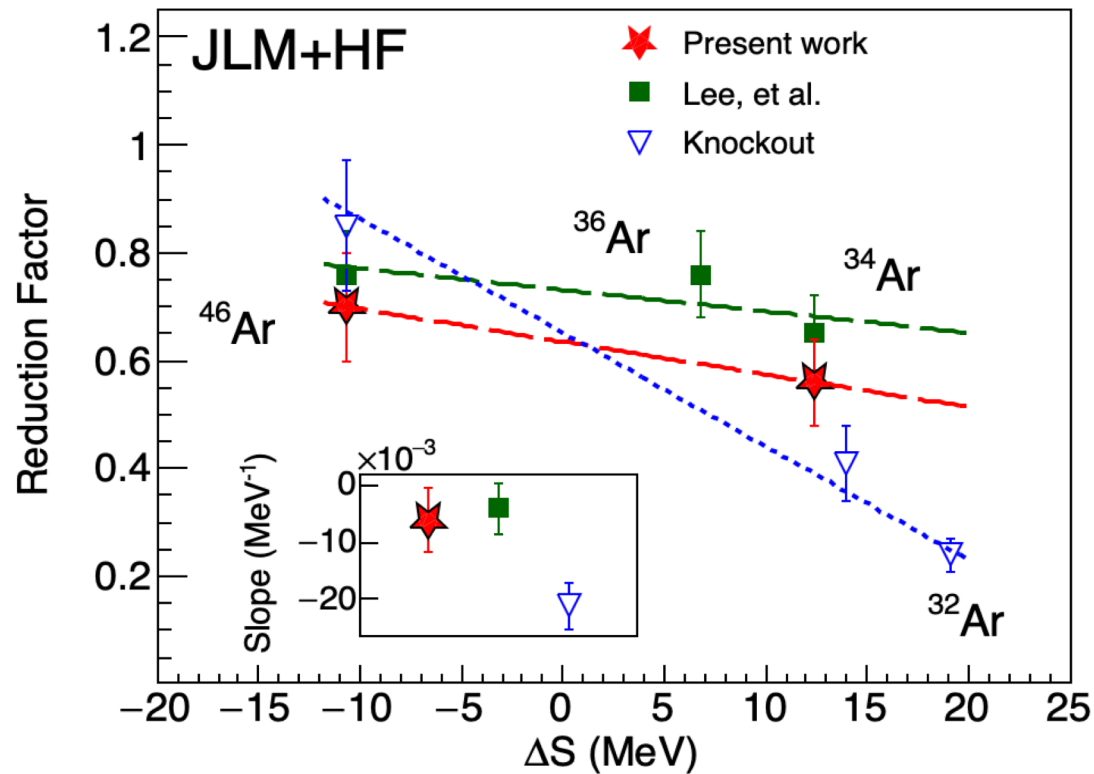
c) =  $^{208}\text{Pb}(d,p)$  at  $E_d = 20$  MeV

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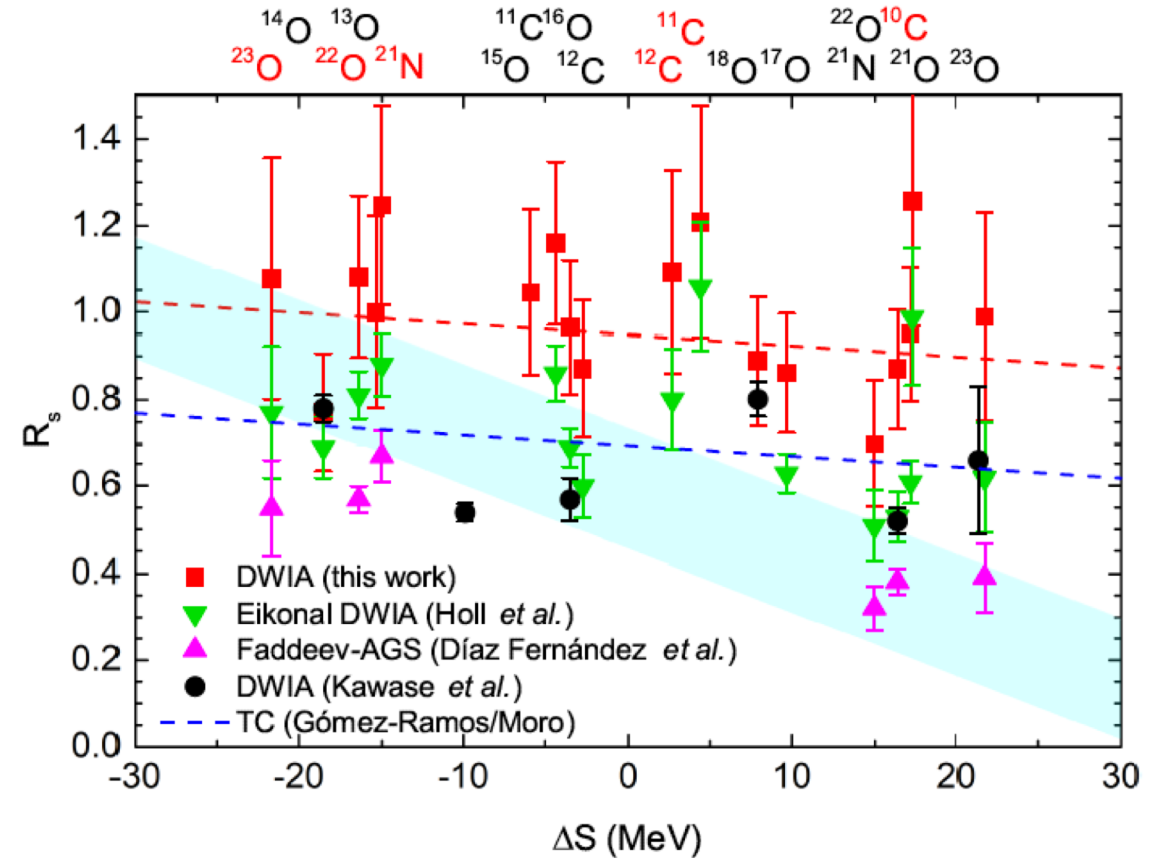
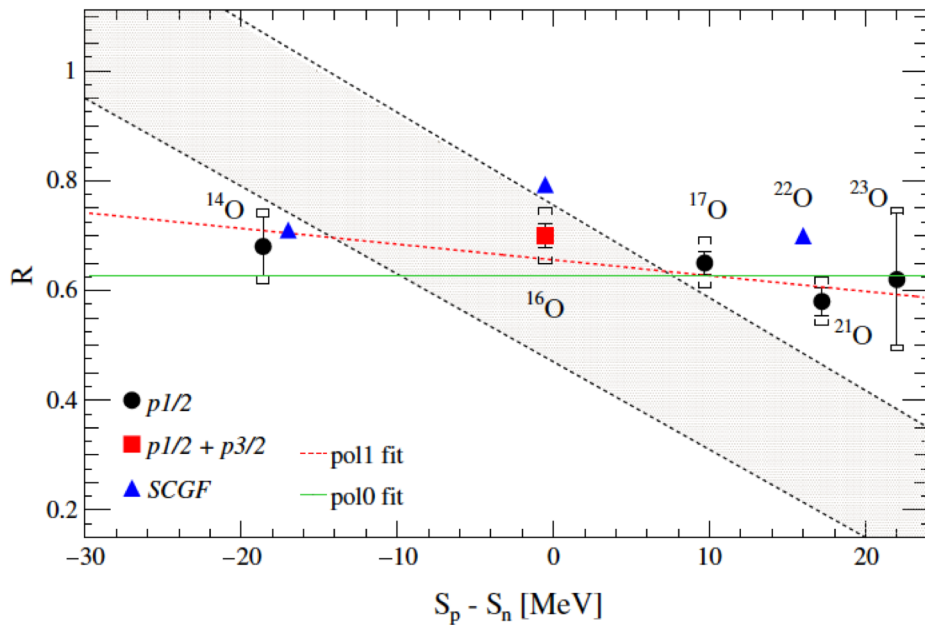
# Comparison with knockout and low-energy transfer

- For both CH89 and JLM+HF analysis approaches, SFs agree within error to 33 MeV/u data
- Furthermore, asymmetry dependence is weaker than that observed in beryllium-induced knockout reactions (see slope inset)



# Data with a new approach: (p,pN)

- *Quasifree* nucleon knockout at high energies (100s MeV/u) with proton targets
  - Probes the nuclear interior better than with intermediate energy, Be-induced knockout
  - Lots of new data and analyses coming out



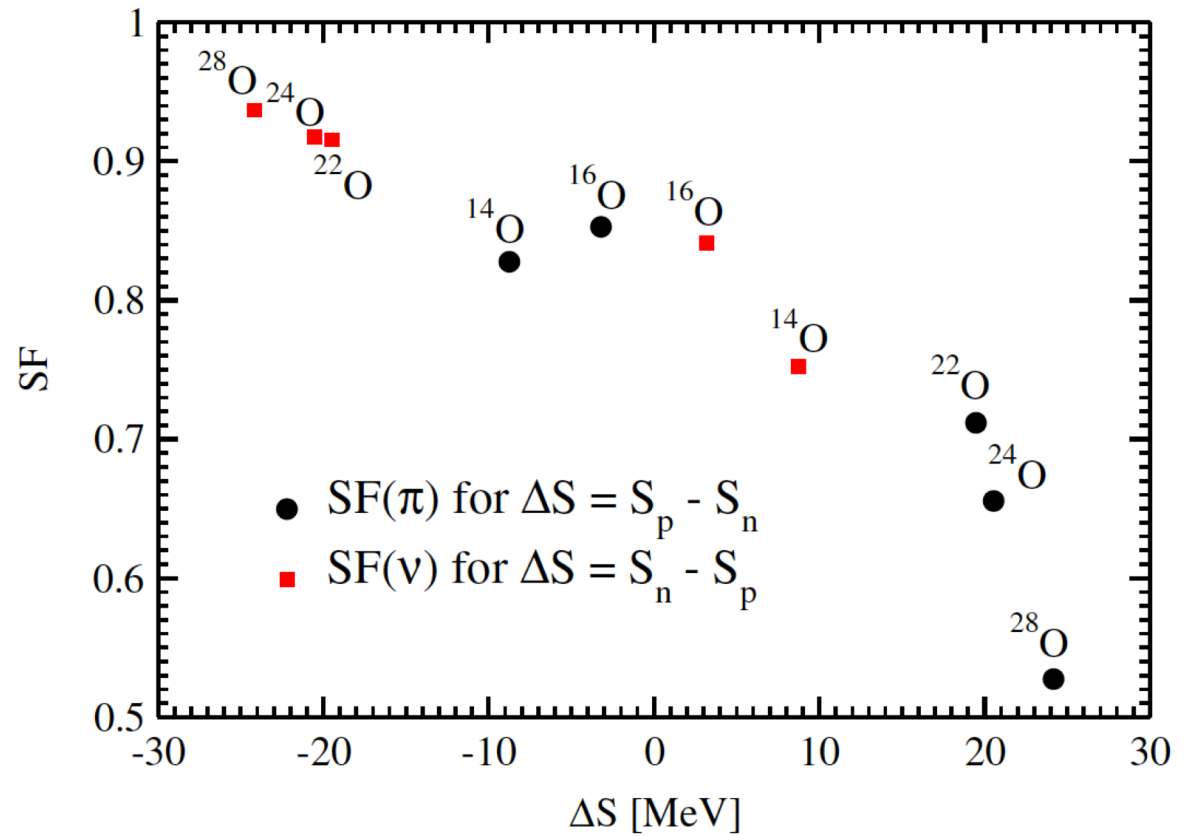
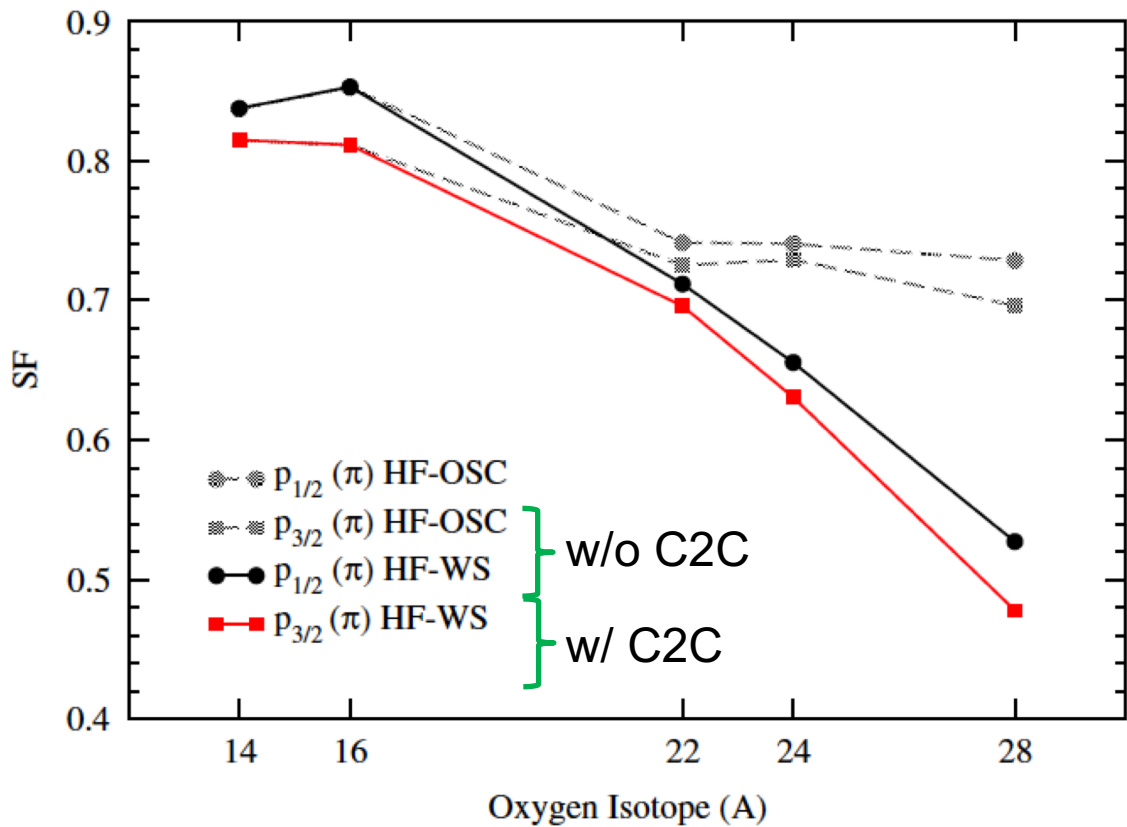
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# Coupled-cluster calculations across oxygen chain

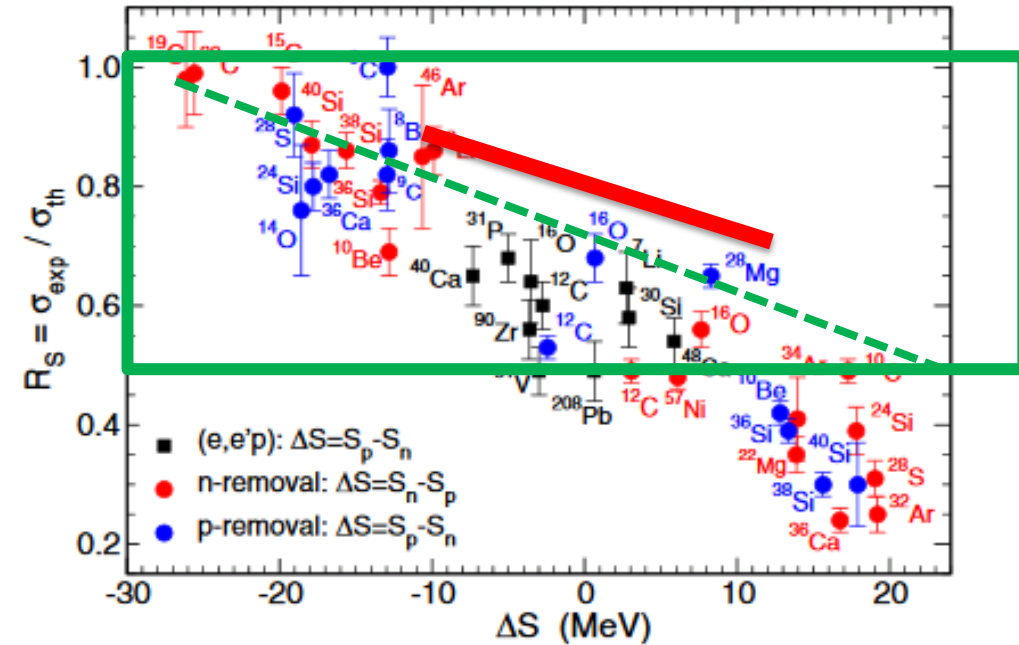
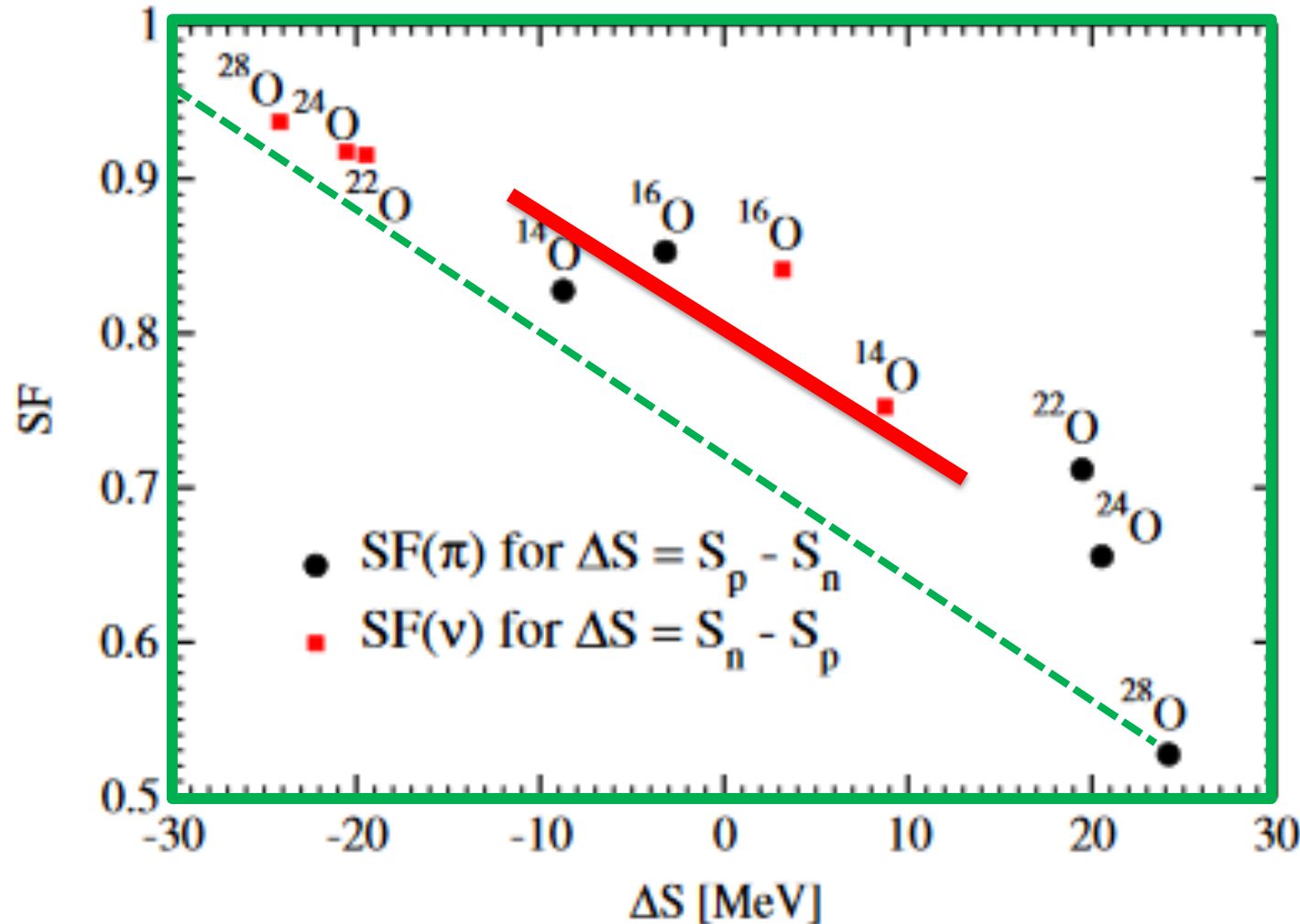
- Microscopic coupled-cluster calculations explicitly treat coupling to the continuum (resulting in many-body correlations that reduce SFs)



# Coupled-cluster shows weak asymmetry dependence

- Asymmetry dependence from Jensen et al. matches with **our data given by the red line**

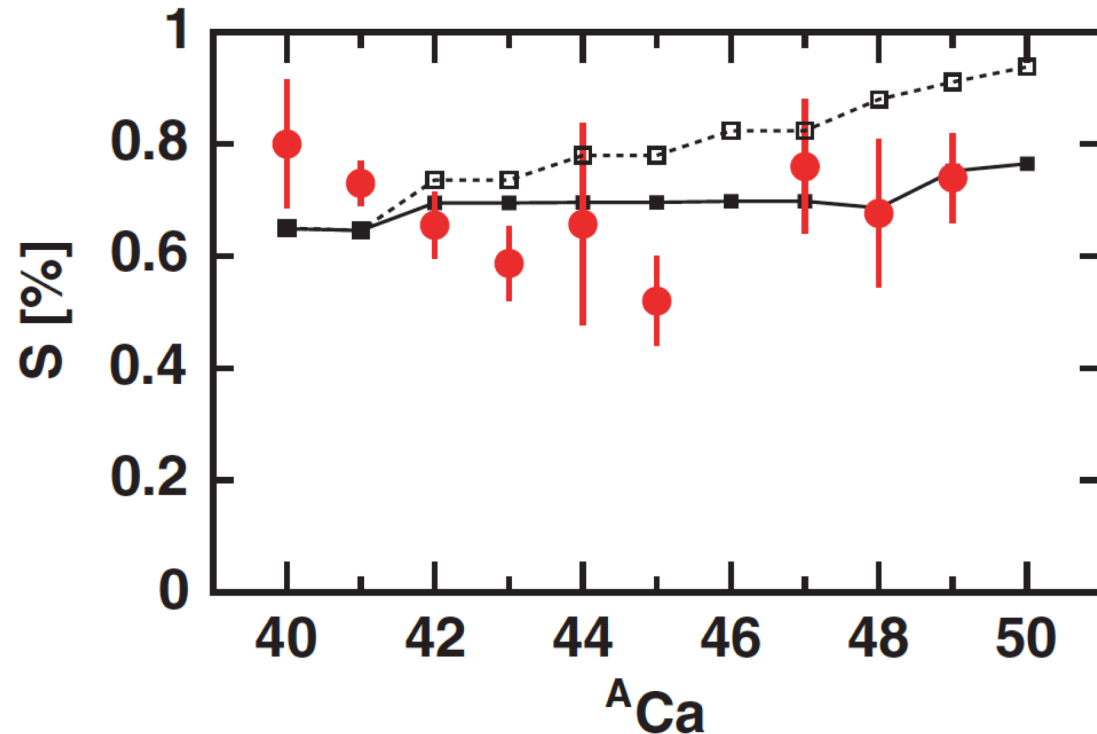
- Axes from plot on the left (**green box**) overlaid on Tostevin and Gade systematics



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# DOM also suggests weak dependence more likely

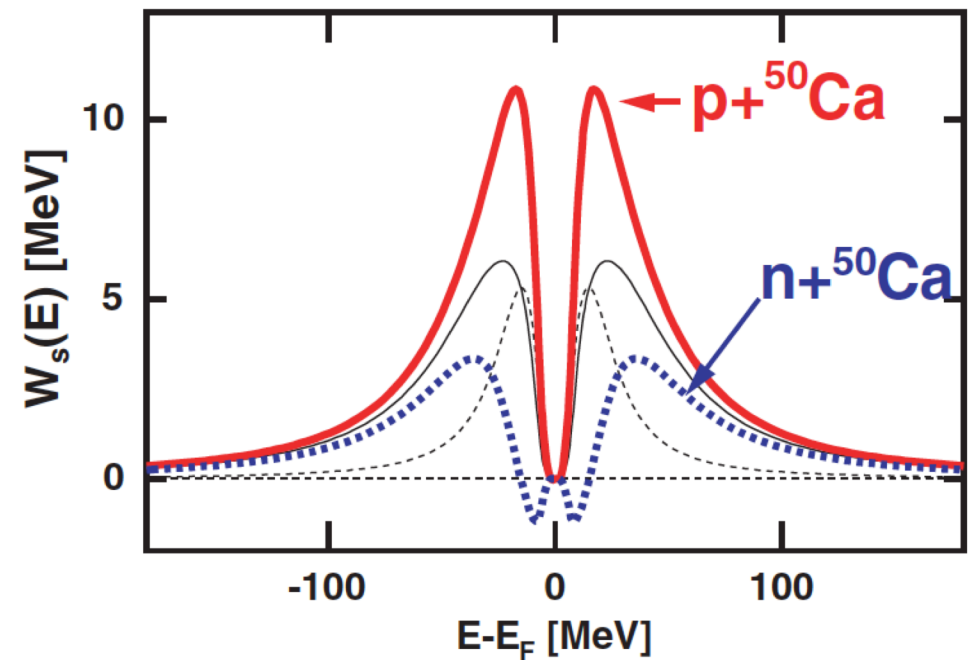
- Dispersive optical model (DOM) study used elastic scattering data on calcium isotopes to study this issue
- In imaginary surface potential, two separate asymmetry terms used (one weaker, one stronger)
- Stronger asymmetry dependence rejected



$$D_1^p(N, Z) = \pm \frac{N - Z}{A}.$$

$$D_2^p(N, Z) = \frac{N - Z}{A}, \quad D_2^n = 0.$$

$$W_s(E) = W_s^0(E) + D(N, Z)W_s^1(E).$$

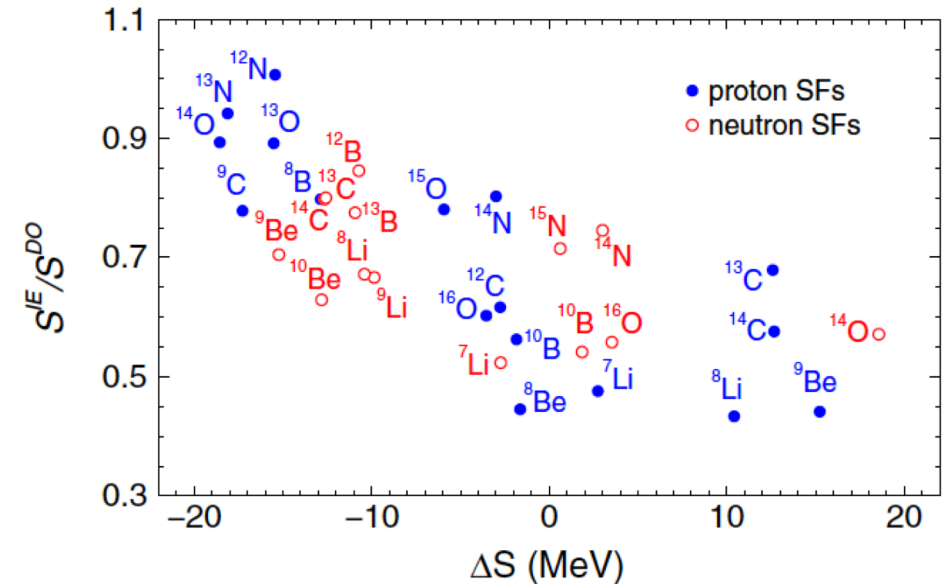
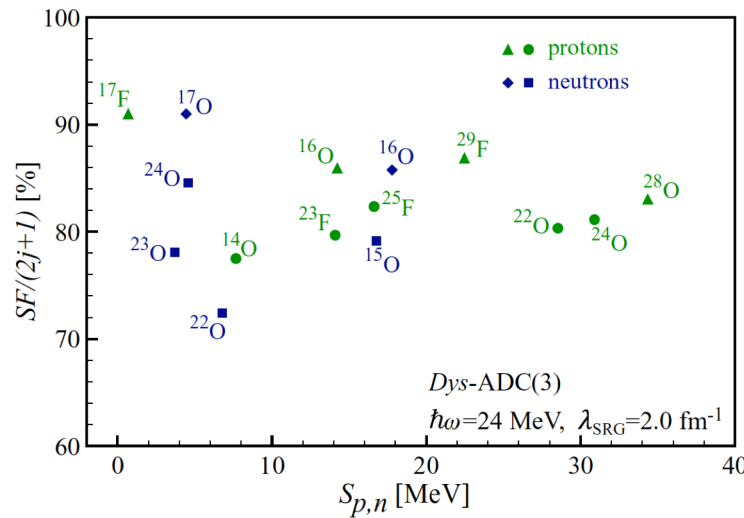
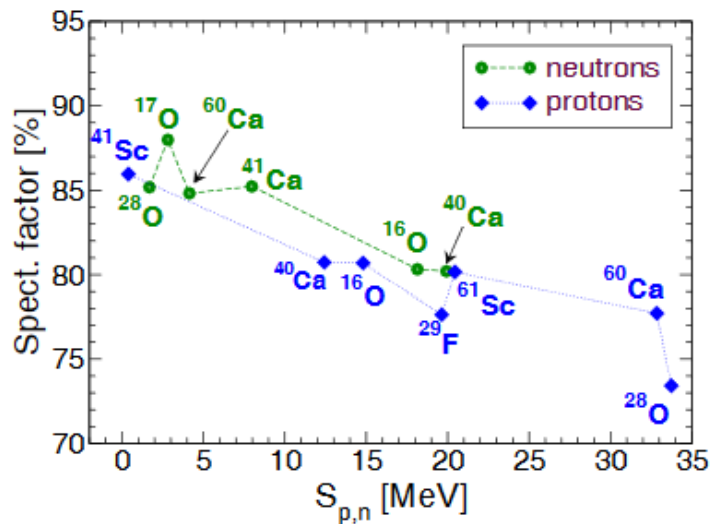


# Other structure approaches weigh in, as well

- Two separate self-consistent Green's function studies: both show weak quenching

- Barbieri, et al.: apply Faddeev Random Phase Approximation (FRPA) to account for coupling to collective excitations
  - » Long-range correlations impact quenching more than short-range
- Cipollone, et al.: include chiral three-nucleon forces
  - » Little impact on asymmetry dependence

- Inhomogenous approach by Timofeyuk accounts for excluded shell orbits
  - Stronger asymmetry dependence than any other theoretical technique



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# Consistent evidence for weak asymmetry dependence

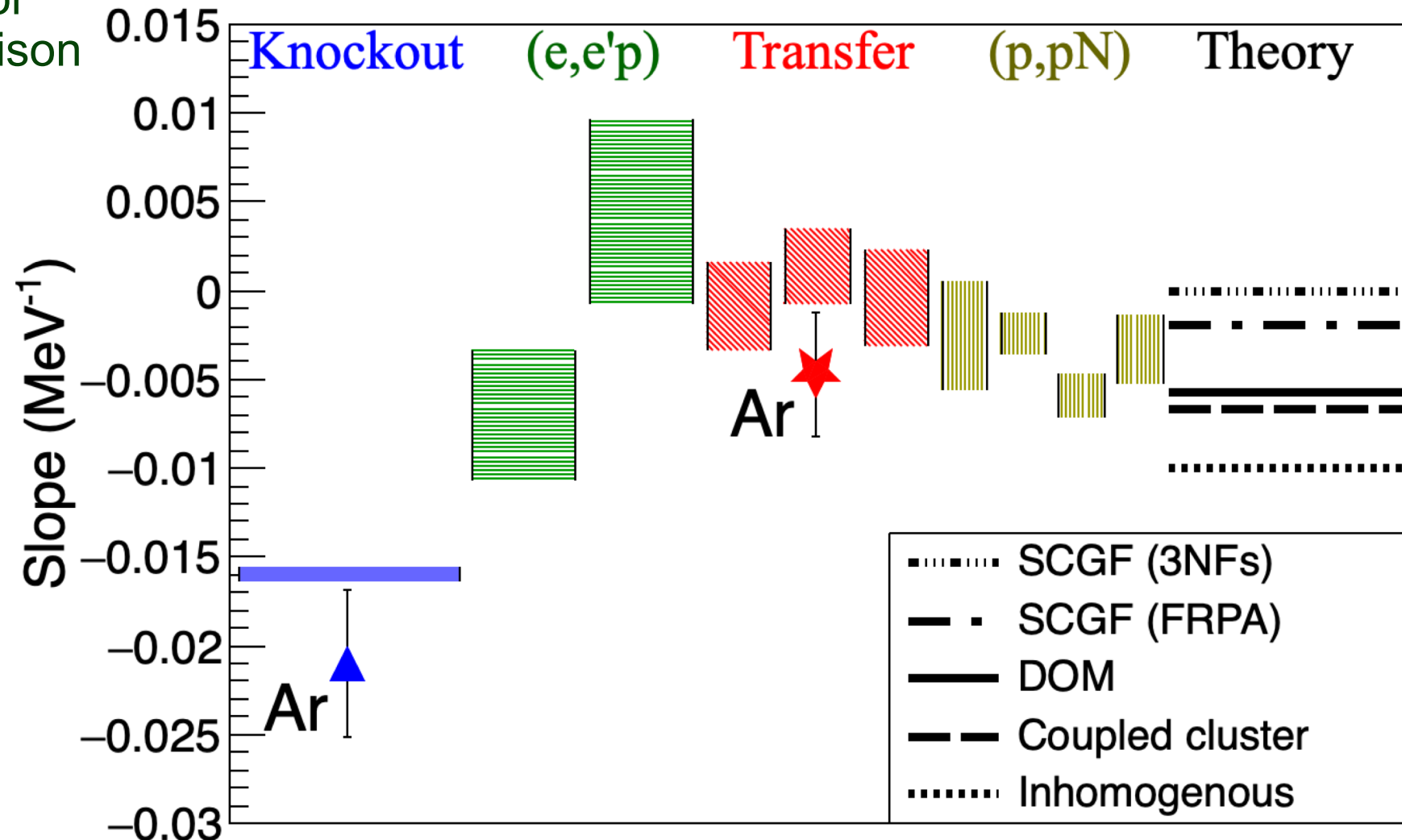
- Linear fits of reduction factor data allow for easy comparison

- Knockout band:
  - Tostevin and Gade (2014)

- (e,e'p) bands (L to R):
  - Kramer et al.
  - Lapikas et al.

- Transfer bands (L to R):
  - Xu et al.
  - Lee et al. + present work
  - Flavigny et al.

- (p,pN) bands (L to R):
  - N.T.T. Phuc et al.
  - Gomez-Ramos et al.
  - Holl et al.
  - Atar et al.

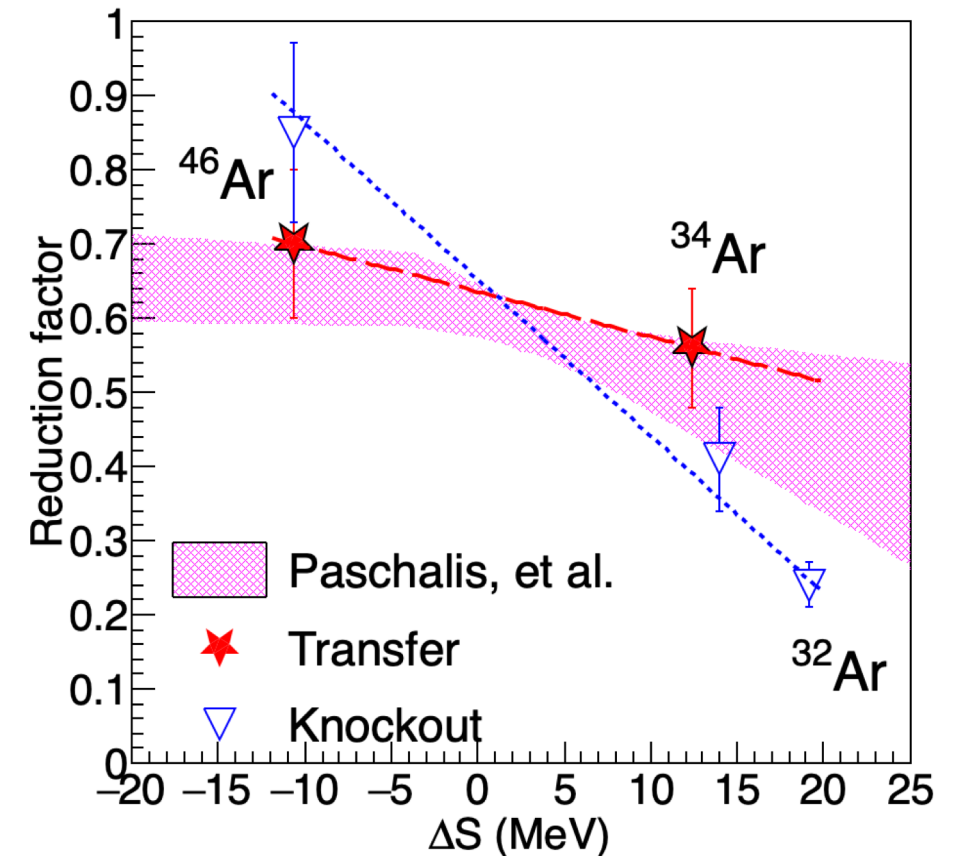
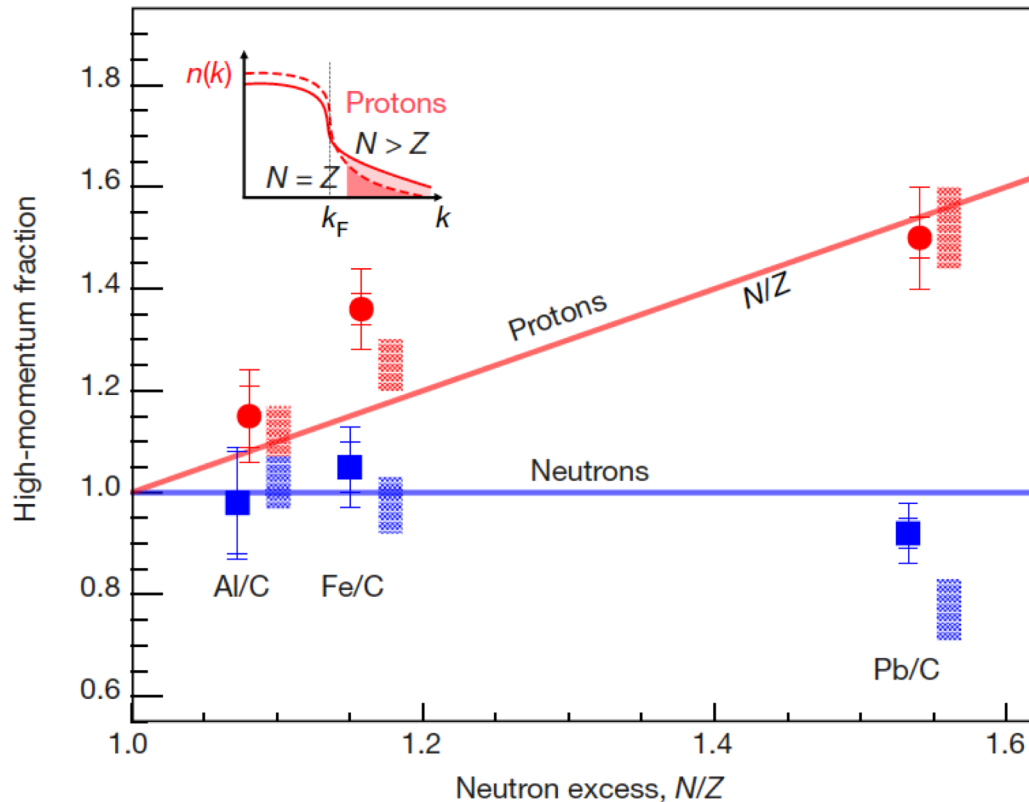


Full reference details on other slides



# What about short-range correlations (SRC)?

- Electron scattering: strength shifted to high momentum (SRC)
  - Clearly indicates asymmetry effects of correlations...but to what extent?
- Paschalis, et al.: SRC (and LRC) effects combined via phenomenological approach
  - Yields weak asymmetry dependence (pink band in figure on the right)

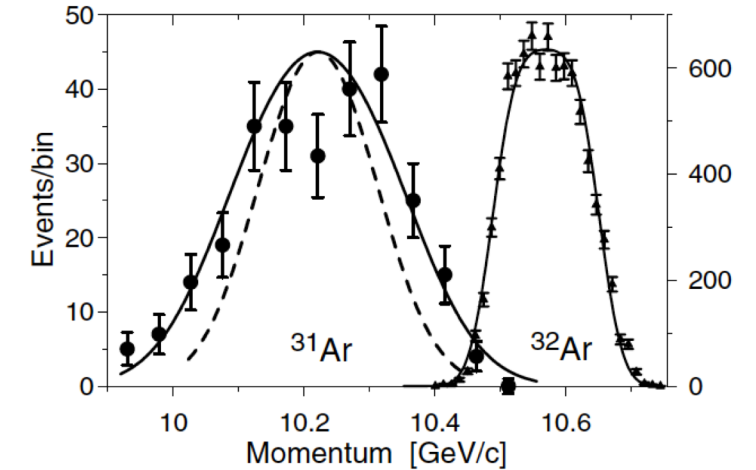
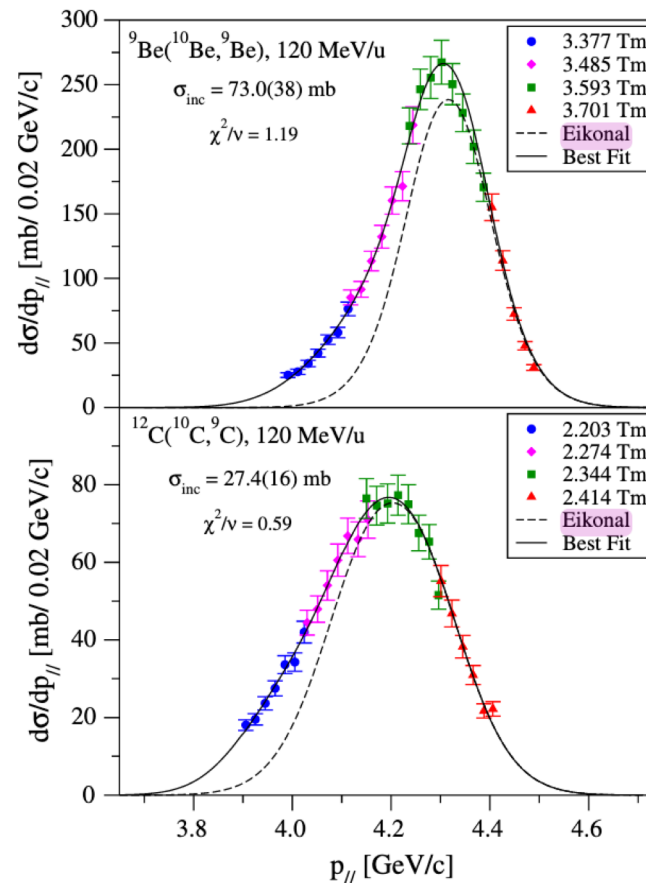
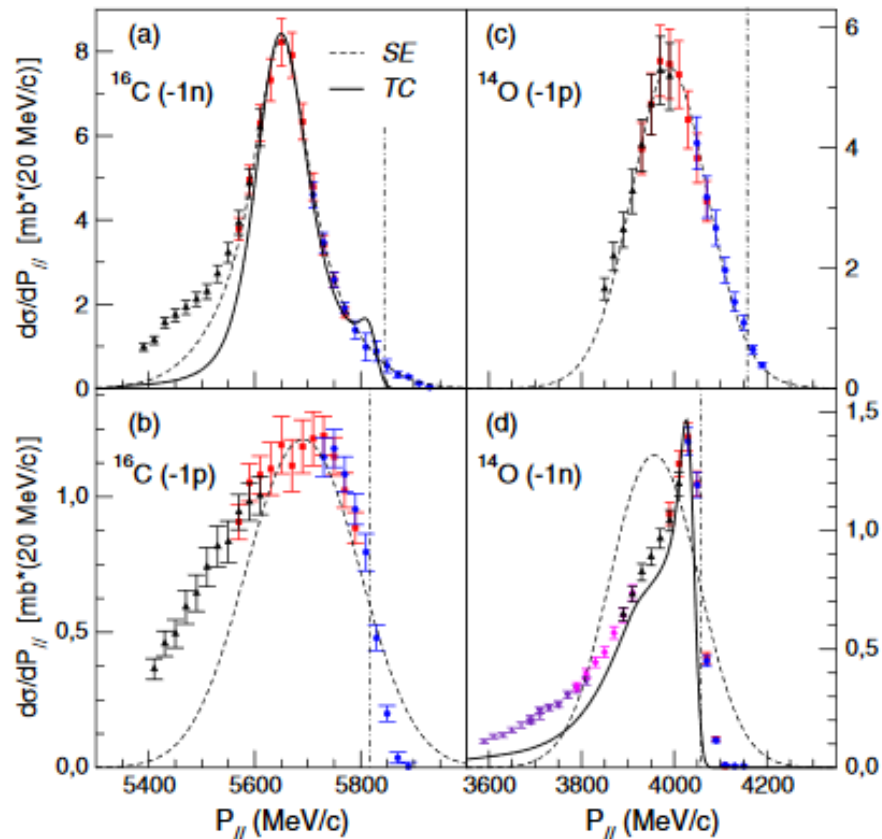


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# Is the eikonal approximation appropriate?

- For deeply bound systems, eikonal approximation may no longer be valid at intermediate energies
  - Distorted parallel momentum distributions sometimes (but not always) seem to indicate this

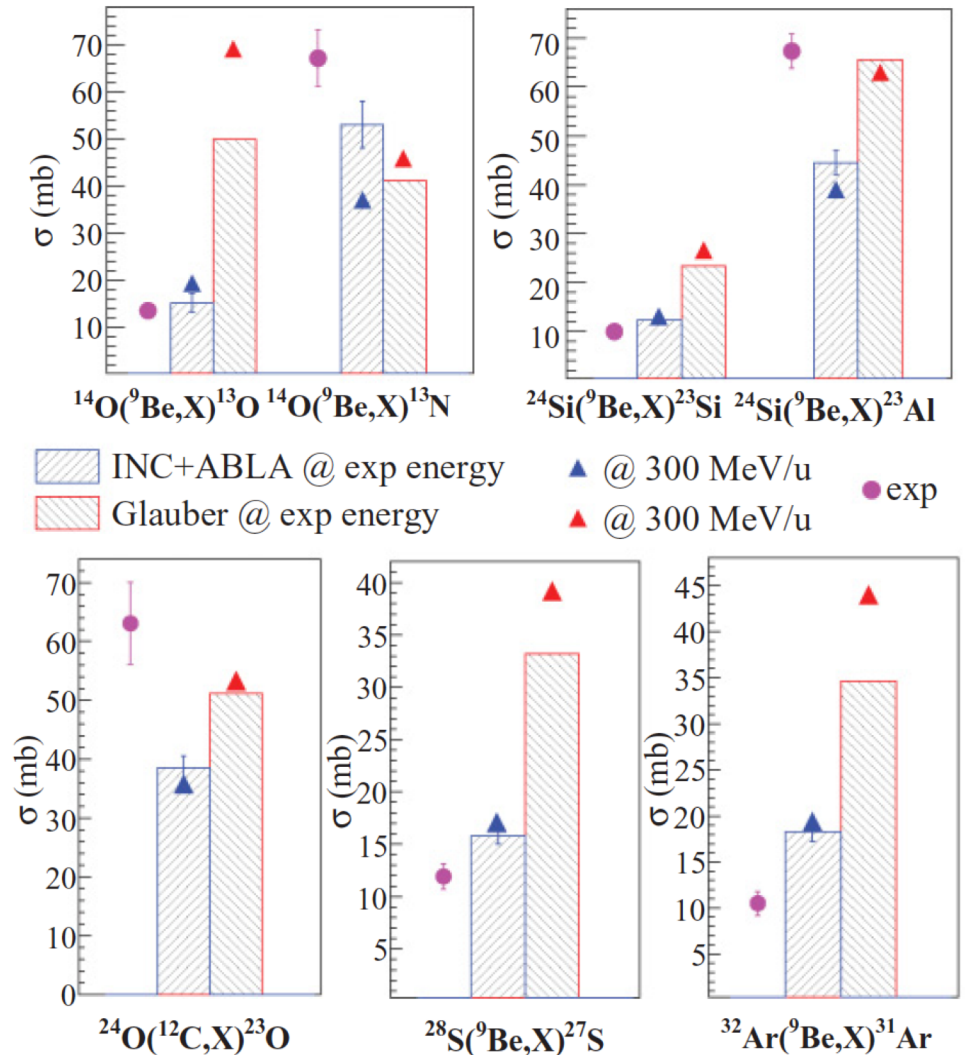


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# What about core excitations?

- Indirect effects during single-nucleon knockout studied using intranuclear cascade model (ICM)
- Trajectory of projectile influenced by target?
- Interplay between shell structure of projectile and reaction?



# Conclusions

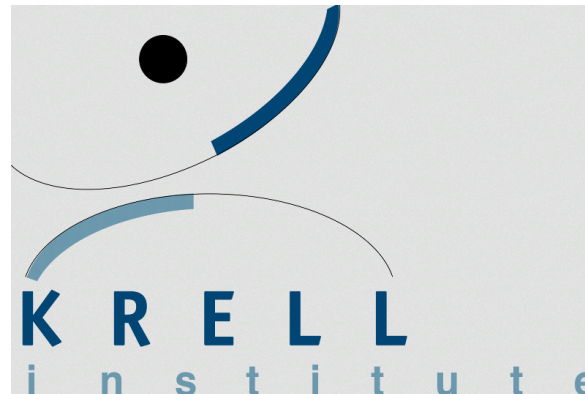
- Clear theoretical and experimental evidence for asymmetry dependence of spectroscopic factors (quenching)
  - More support for weak quenching than for strong
- (p,d) reactions on argon isotopes at 70 MeV/u agree with 33 MeV/u
- To move forward, theory is crucial
  - Effects of nonlocality
  - Uncertainty quantification
  - Core excitations
  - Non-eikonal effects (distorted momentum distributions)
- Data from new experimental approaches, like (p,pN) and electron scattering on unstable isotopes, is important
- More exclusive knockout data may help understand contribution from indirect processes
- More transfer data at extreme asymmetry, preferably for same isotopic chains studied with knockout (higher beam energies should be okay)

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