The Coulomb Dissociation of ⁸B: The Triumph of Good Science

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- 1. The Method of CD.
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- 3. The Seattle 05 Saga.
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$\Phi_{\nu} = 4.94 \pm 0.21 \text{ (stat)} {}^{+0.38}_{-0.34} (syst) \times 10^6 \ cm^{-2} sec^{-1} \quad [1]$

[2]

$$\frac{\Phi_{SSM}}{\Phi_{\nu}} = 1.17$$

[1] B. Aharmin *et al.*; nucl-ex/0502021.

[2] J.N. Bahcall and M.H. Pinsonneault; Phys. Rev. Lett. 92(2004)121301.

 $\sigma_{17} = S_{17} / E x e^{-2\pi \eta}$

$(\eta = Z_1 Z_2 \alpha / \beta)$ $E_{cm} = 18 \text{ keV}$





⁸B Breakup 実験覚え書き

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Coulomb Dissociation of ⁸B and the ⁷Be $(p, \gamma)^8$ B Reaction at Low Energies

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E2 contribution to the ${}^{8}B \rightarrow p + {}^{7}Be$ Coulomb dissociation cross section

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We have calculated the E1 and E2 contributions to the low-energy ${}^{8}B + {}^{208}Pb \rightarrow p + {}^{7}Be + {}^{208}Pb$ Coulomb dissociation cross sections using the kinematics of a recent experiment at RIKEN. Using a potential model description of the ${}^{7}Be(p,\gamma){}^{8}B$ reaction, we find that the E2 contributions cannot a priori be ignored in the analysis of the data. Its inclusion reduces the extracted ${}^{7}Be(p,\gamma){}^{8}B$ S-factor at solar energies by about 25%.

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The S factor extracted here from the ${}^{8}\text{B} + {}^{208}\text{Pb} \rightarrow p + {}^{7}\text{Be} + {}^{208}\text{Pb}$ data is noticeably smaller and incompatible (within 2 standard deviations) with the one recently derived from the various direct measurements of the ${}^{7}\text{Be}(p,\gamma){}^{8}\text{B}$ reaction [2]. As it is important to resolve this apparent difference between the two methods, a precise direct capture experiment at one energy to pin down the overall normalization of the direct capture results is highly desirable. A confirmation of the Coulomb dissociation data and a verification of its assumed relation to the capture cross section is also desirable.

RIKEN2 (1995) Erel=0.50-0.75(MeV)



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FIG. 1. The reduced χ^2 obtained from fitting the 600 keV angular distribution of the RIKEN data [3] with $\sigma_{\rm CD}(E1) + \sigma_{\rm CD}(E2)$, as discussed in the text.



FIG. 12: (Color online) In-plane transverse momenta, p_t^{in} , of the breakup protons for three different cuts in θ_8 . The theoretical curves (full red lines: E1 multipolarity, dashed blue lines: E1+E2 multipolarity) have been calculated in first-order perturbation theory. They were normalized individually to the data sets in each frame.



When a Dog Speaks it Does Not Matter What it Says.







FIG. 20. (Color online) CD $S_{17}(0)$ values from DB fits to $S_{17}(\overline{E}_{c.m.})$ values below 425 keV, compared to the direct mean. The total uncertainties are shown. The horizontal solid and dashed lines indicate the CD mean value $S_{17}(0)=19.2\pm0.7$ eV b.

PRECISE MEASUREMENT OF THE ${}^{7}\text{Be}(p, \gamma){}^{8}\text{B}$ S FACTOR



FIG. 19. (Color online) $S_{17}(E_{c.m.})$ slopes determined from straight-line fits to direct $S_{17}(\overline{E}_{c.m.})$ data (corrected for the 1⁺ resonance tail) (left panel) and to $S_{17}(\overline{E}_{c.m.})$ values inferred from CD experiments (right panel). The horizontal lines and shaded regions correspond to the mean values and uncertainties determined from the direct data and from the CD data, respectively.

Reconciling Coulomb Dissociation and Radiative Capture Measurements

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Two major differences between CD and direct determinations of the ${}^{7}\text{Be}(p, \gamma){}^{8}\text{B}$ S factor (here labeled S_{17}) were identified in [1]. First, the zero-energy extrapolated $S_{17}(0)$ values inferred from CD measurements [2–7] are, on average, about 10% lower than the mean of modern direct measurements (see [1,8] for the most recent measurements). Second, the S_{17} values extracted from CD data

have a significantly steeper slope as a function of $E_{\rm rel}$, the relative energy of the proton and the ⁷Be fragment, than the direct results. We show that these differences are due in part to the manner in which the CD experiments were analyzed and can be reduced considerably by using more precise Coulomb breakup theory.











Seattle Result on ${}^7Be + p \rightarrow {}^8B + \gamma$:

[1]

[2]

[3]

$$S_{17}(0) = 21.4 \pm 0.5 \text{ (expt)} \pm 0.6 \text{ (theory) eV-b}$$

Previous Compilation:

 $S_{17}(0) = 19 + 4 - 2 \text{ eV-b}$

Reasonable Conservative Estimate:

$$S_{17}(0) = 21.4 \pm 0.8 \text{ (expt)} + 0.0 \text{ (extrap)} \text{ eV-b}$$

- [1] A.R. Junghans *et al.*; Phys. Rev. C68(2003)065803.
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- 1. The Coulomb Dissociation Method Viable Method (⁸B testing Ground of Method)
- 2. The Slope of Cross Section Factor (S₁₇) NOT KNOWN With High Accuracy
- 3. Uncertainty of Formation of Solar ⁸B (Must Be Resolved by a Measurement)

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