

JAEAにおける代理反応研究

Research in Surrogate Reactions at JAEA

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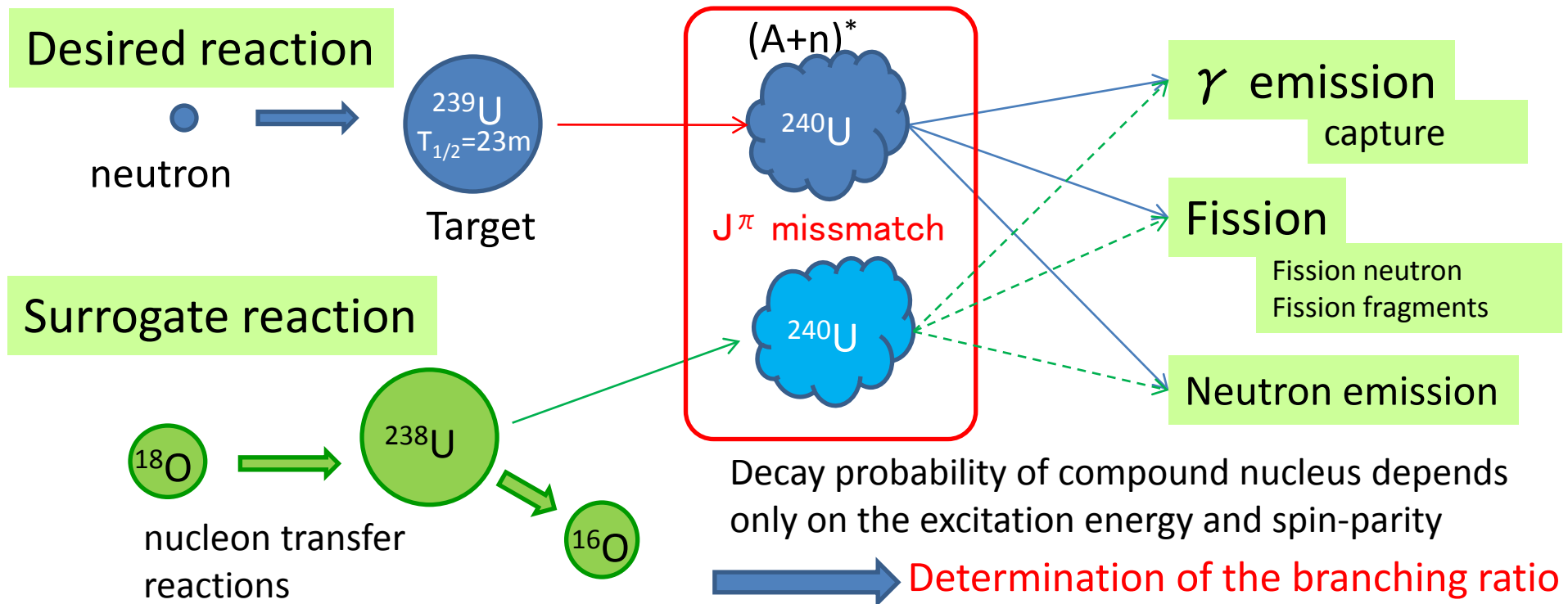
Present study is the result of "Development of a Novel Technique for Measurement of Nuclear Data Influencing the Design of Advanced Fast Reactors" entrusted to Japan Atomic Energy Agency (JAEA) by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan (MEXT).

Collaborators

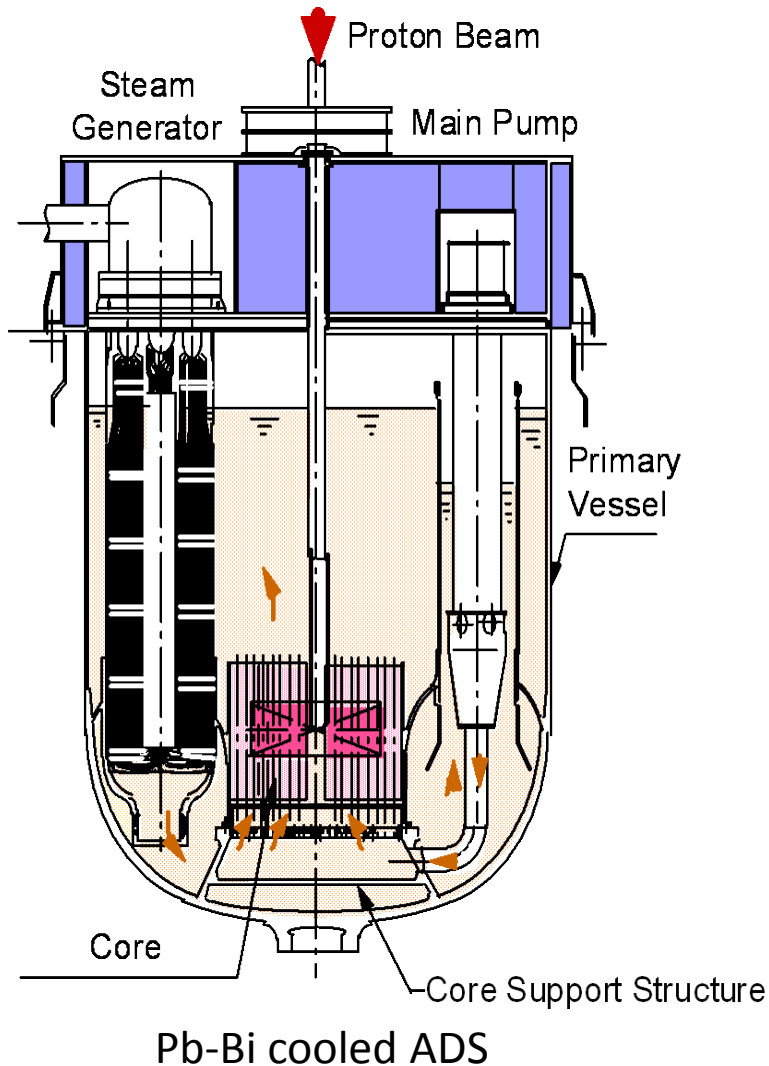
- Theory
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Surrogate Method

- Reaction properties of unstable (radioactive) nuclei
 - Nuclear Technologies
 - Origin of elements (Neutron capture nucleosynthesis)
- Need to develop and establish physical foundation of "**Surrogate Method**"



Pb-Bi cooled ADS



Reactor

Thermal power	800 MWth
Initial k-eff	0.95
Core height	1000 mm
Core diameter	2440 mm

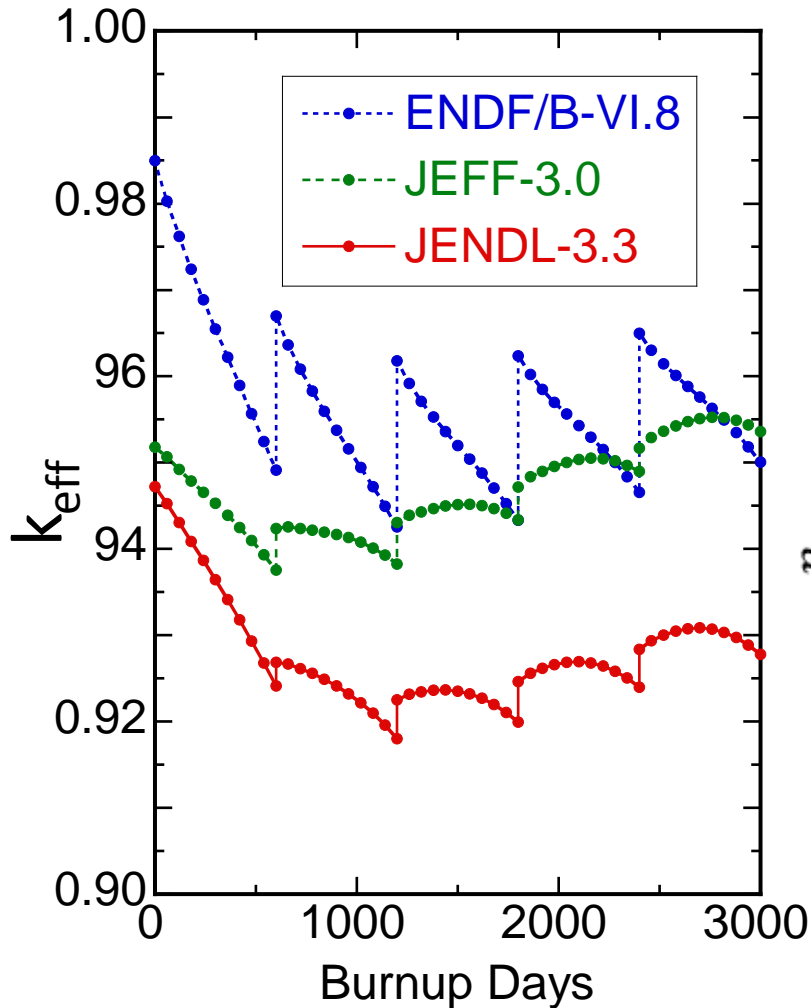
Accelerator

Accelerator type	Proton linac
Beam energy	1.5 GeV

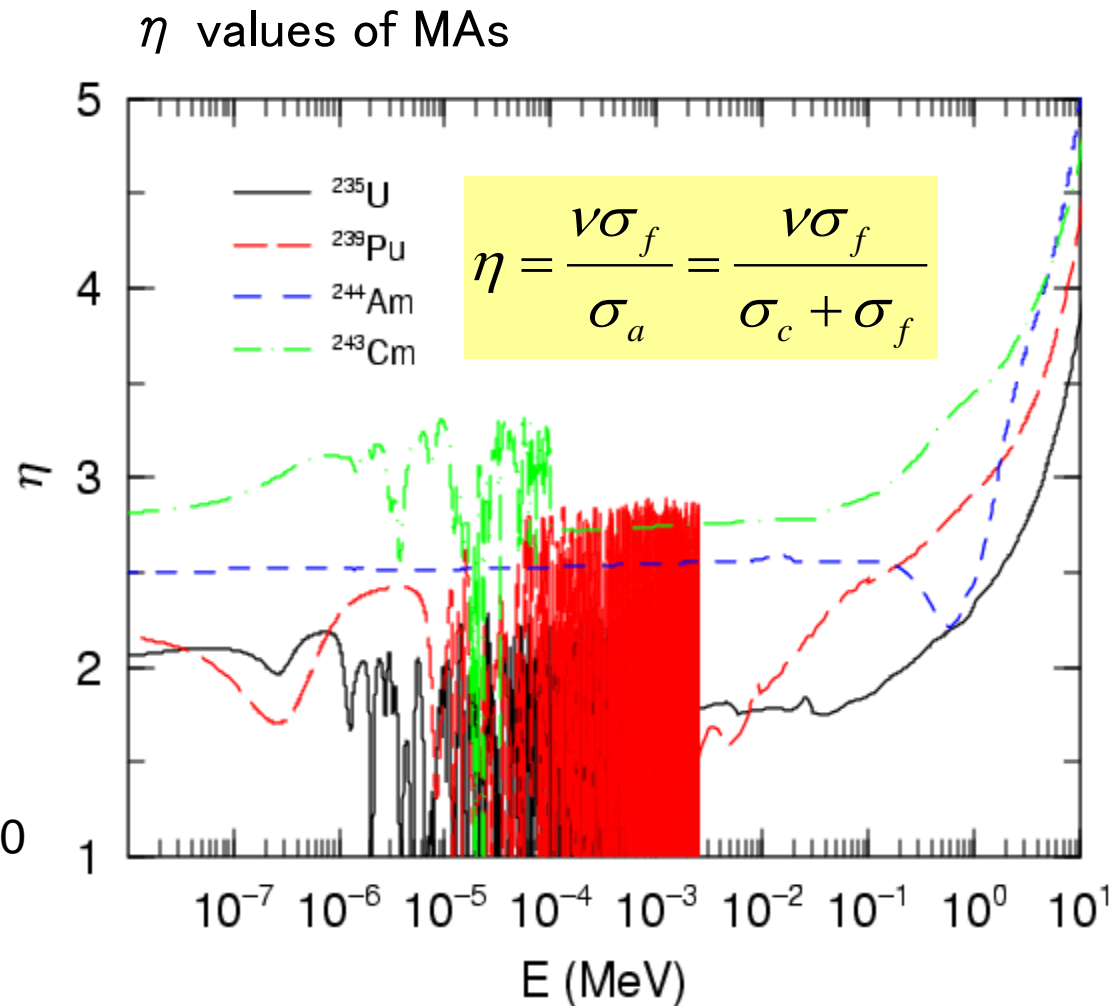
Fuel

Fuel type	Mono-nitride
Pu / MA	40%Pu + 60 %MA
Ma loading	2500 kg
MA transmutation	250 kg / year

Nuclear Data of MA (Minor Actinide) : Large impacts to fast systems including ADS

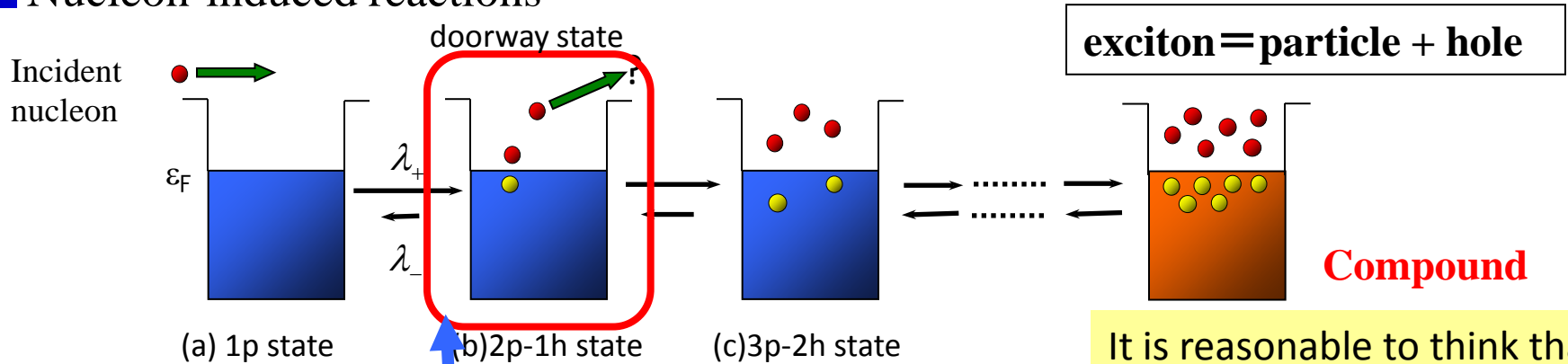


Burn-up dependence of k_{eff} for ADS(40%Pu+60%MA)



Population of compound nuclei by nucleon-induced and surrogate reactions : excitation model

■ Nucleon-induced reactions

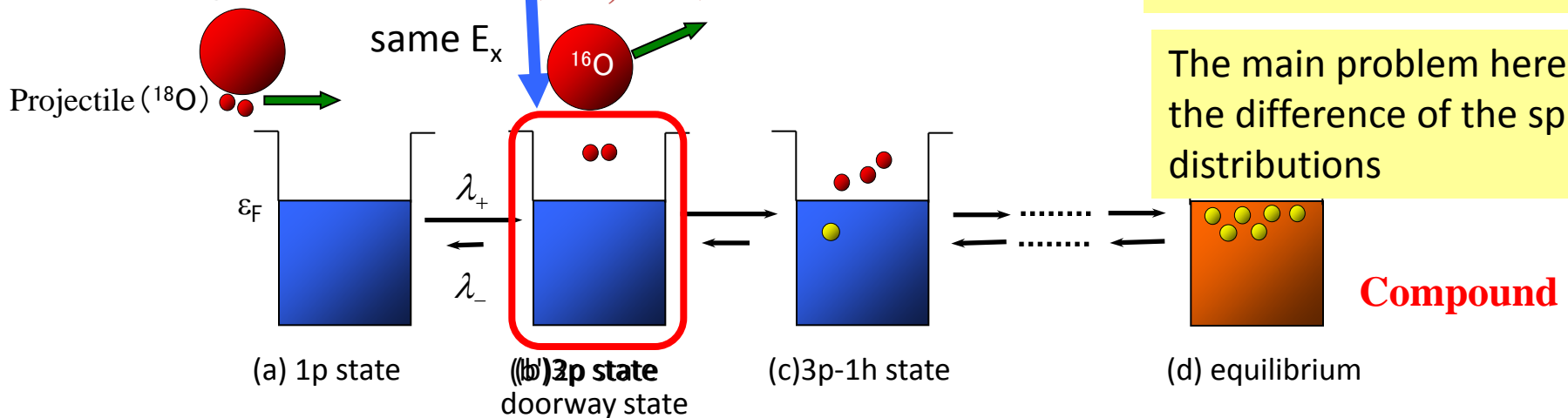


λ_+ is much larger than λ_- at low energies

leads to a compound nucleus

It is reasonable to think that both reactions will lead to compound nuclei in spite of difference how the doorway states are formed

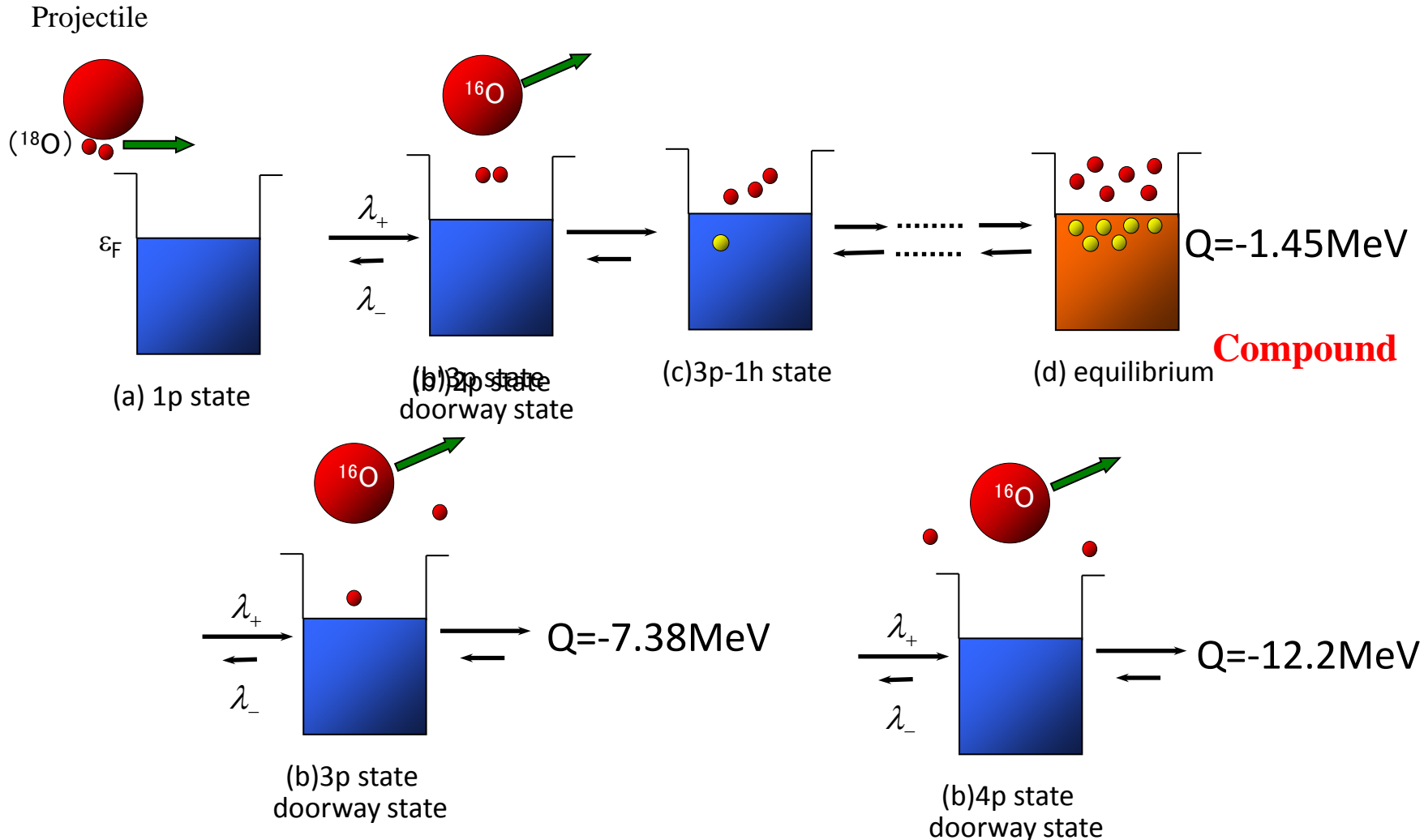
■ Surrogate reactions



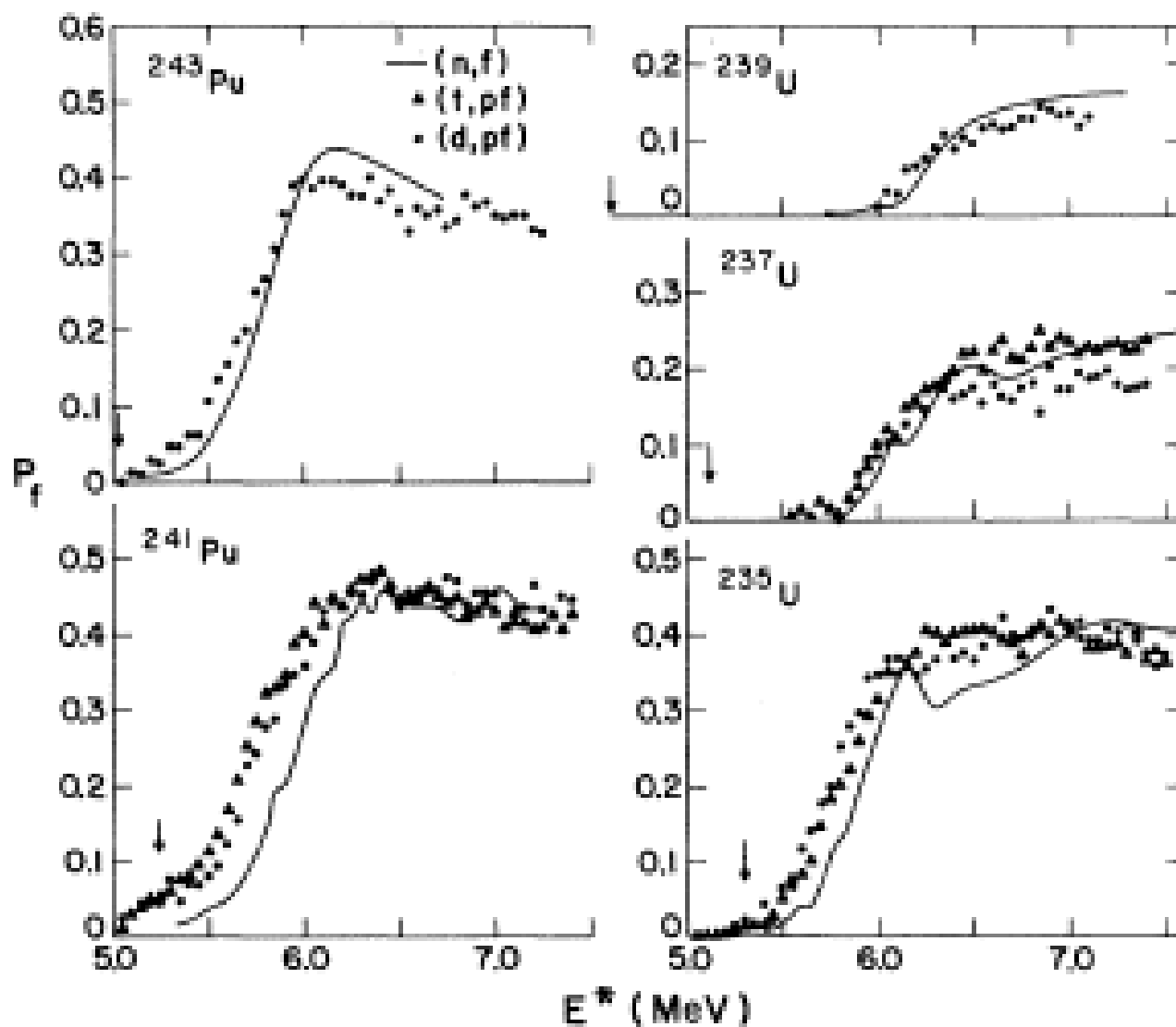
The main problem here is the difference of the spin distributions

Surrogate reactions

$^{238}\text{U}(^{18}\text{O}, ^{16}\text{O})$ reaction



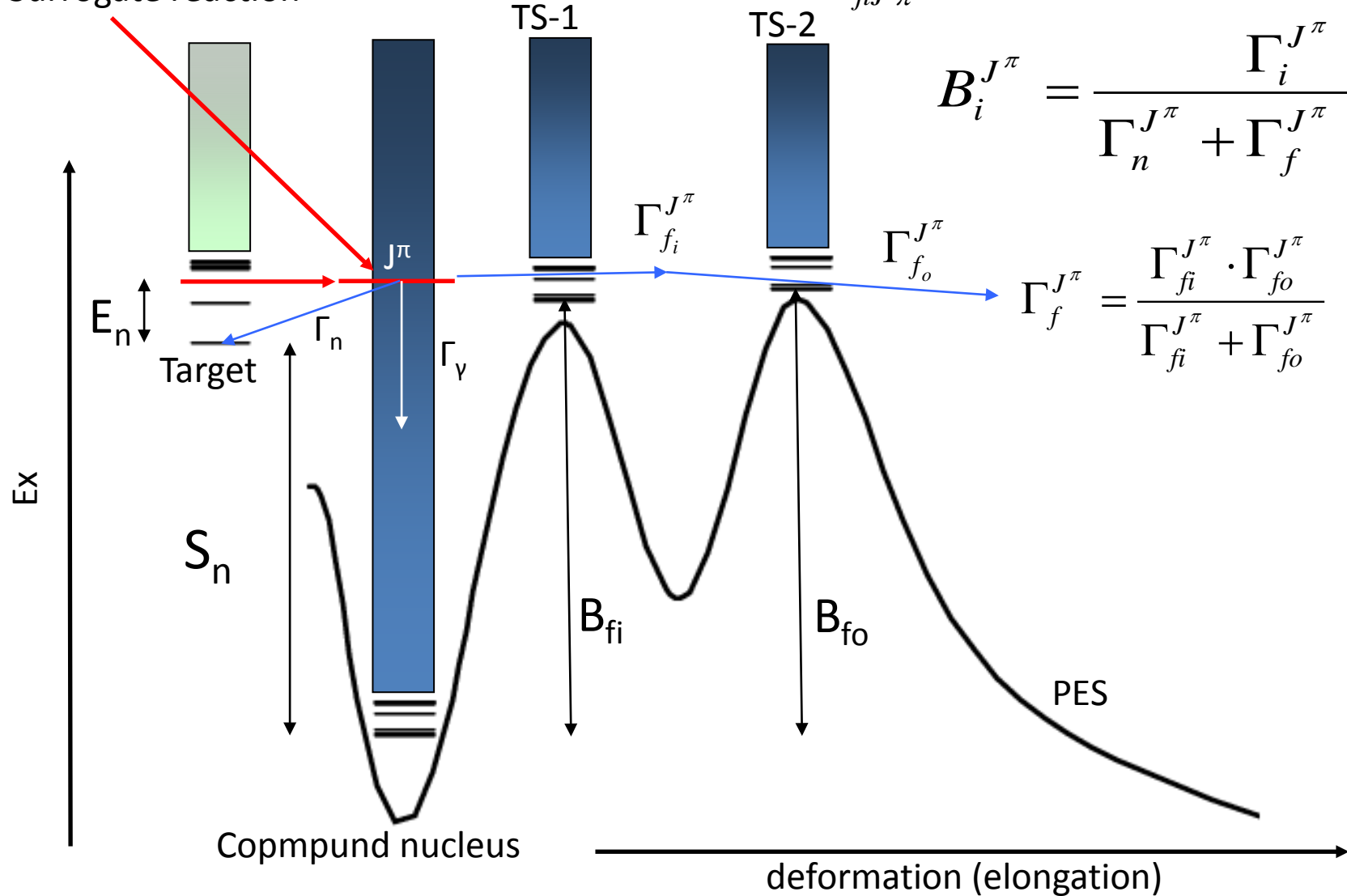
Britt and Cramer, PRC 2, 1758(1970)



n-induced and surrogate reactions

$$\Gamma_i^{J^\pi} = \sum_{j l J' \pi'} \int [T^{lj}(\varepsilon_i) \otimes \rho^{J' \pi'}(E_x - \varepsilon_i)]^{J^\pi} d\varepsilon_i$$

Surrogate reaction



$$B_i^{J^\pi} = \frac{\Gamma_i^{J^\pi}}{\Gamma_n^{J^\pi} + \Gamma_f^{J^\pi} + \Gamma_\gamma^{J^\pi}}$$

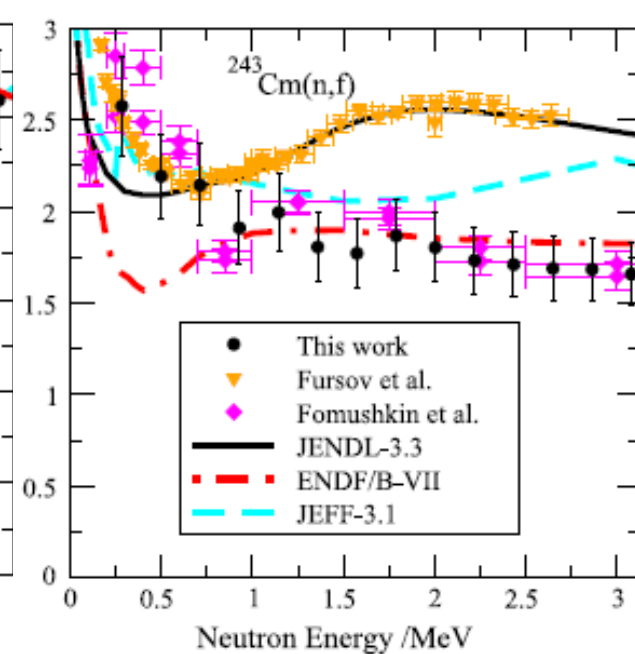
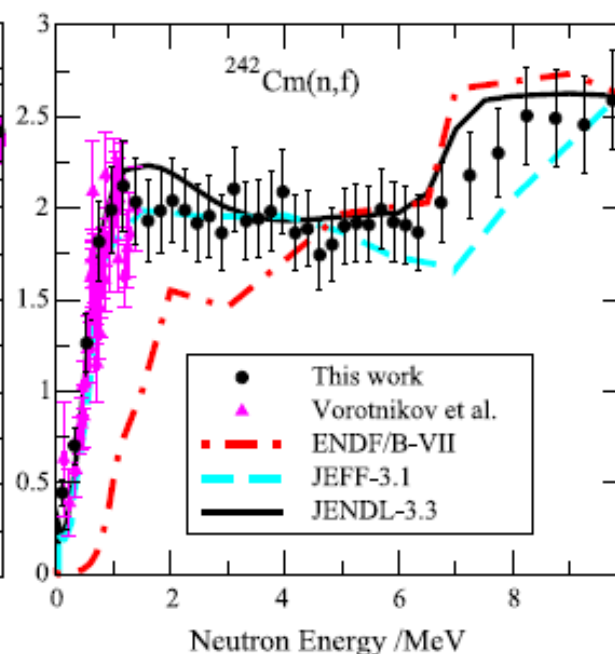
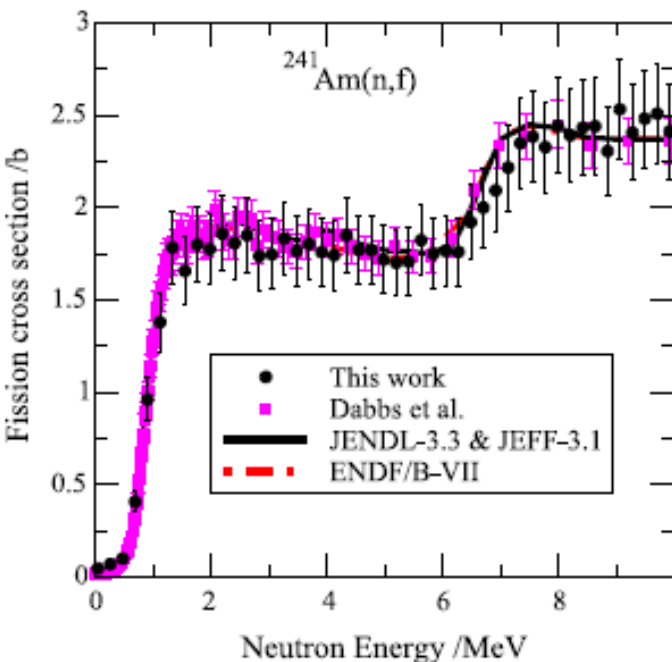
$$\Gamma_f^{J^\pi} = \frac{\Gamma_{fi}^{J^\pi} \cdot \Gamma_{fo}^{J^\pi}}{\Gamma_{fi}^{J^\pi} + \Gamma_{fo}^{J^\pi}}$$

Kessedjian et al.(PLB 692, 297(2010))

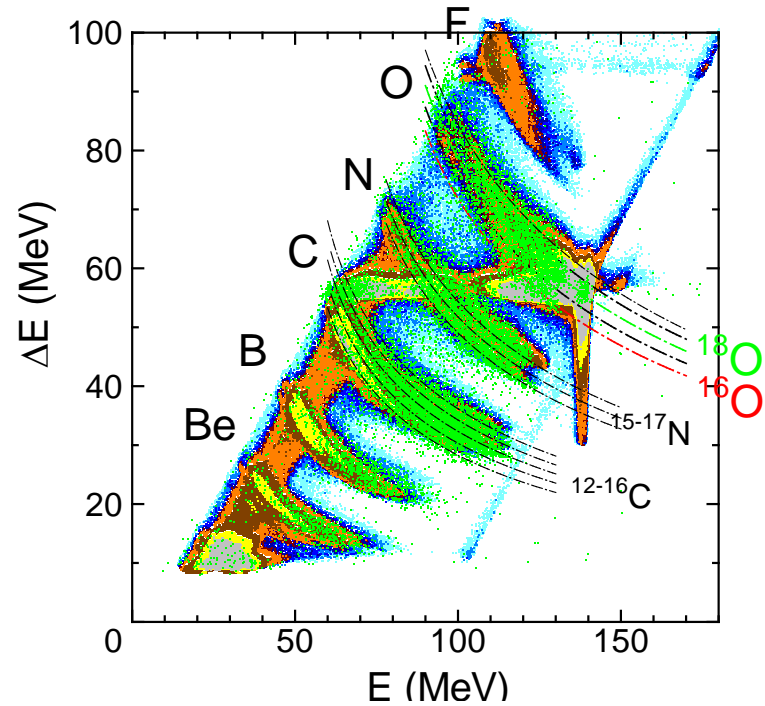
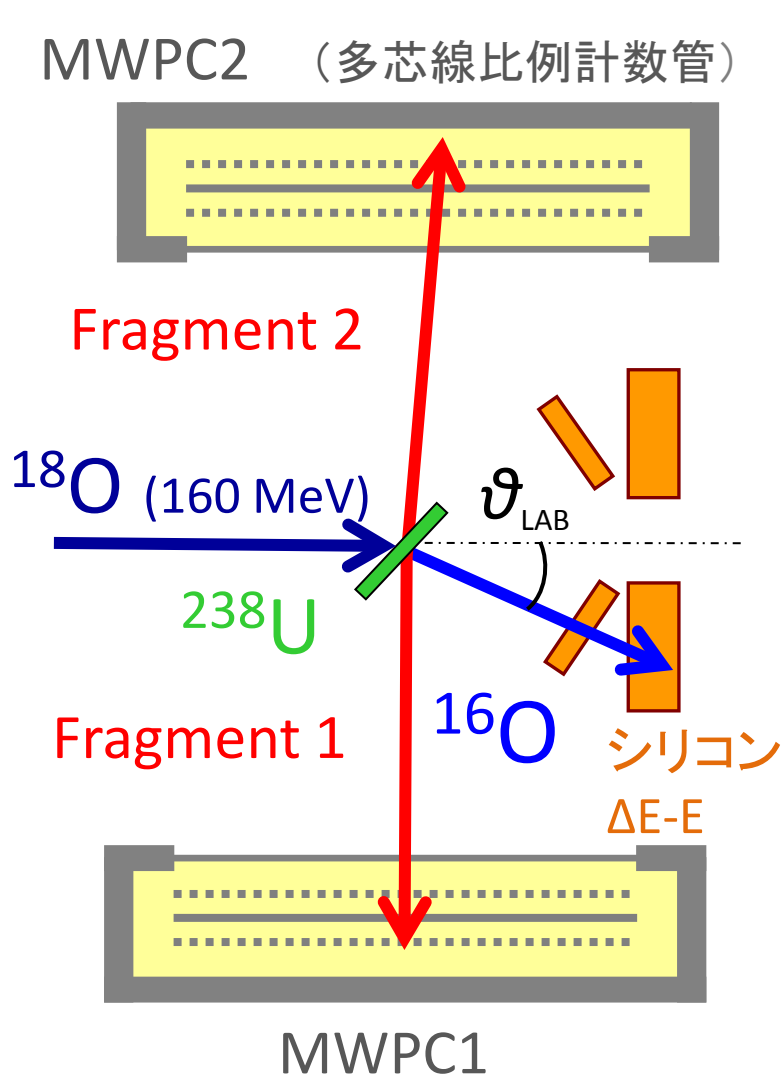
Transfer channels investigated in the reaction ${}^3\text{He} + {}^{243}\text{Am}$ and the corresponding neutron-induced fission reactions.

Transfer channel	Neutron-induced reaction
${}^{243}\text{Am}({}^3\text{He}, d) {}^{244}\text{Cm}$	${}^{243}\text{Cm}(n, f)$
${}^{243}\text{Am}({}^3\text{He}, t) {}^{243}\text{Cm}$	${}^{242}\text{Cm}(n, f)$
${}^{243}\text{Am}({}^3\text{He}, \alpha) {}^{242}\text{Am}$	${}^{241}\text{Am}(n, f)$

- Surrogate method seems to work for fission
- Production of compound nuclei is verified



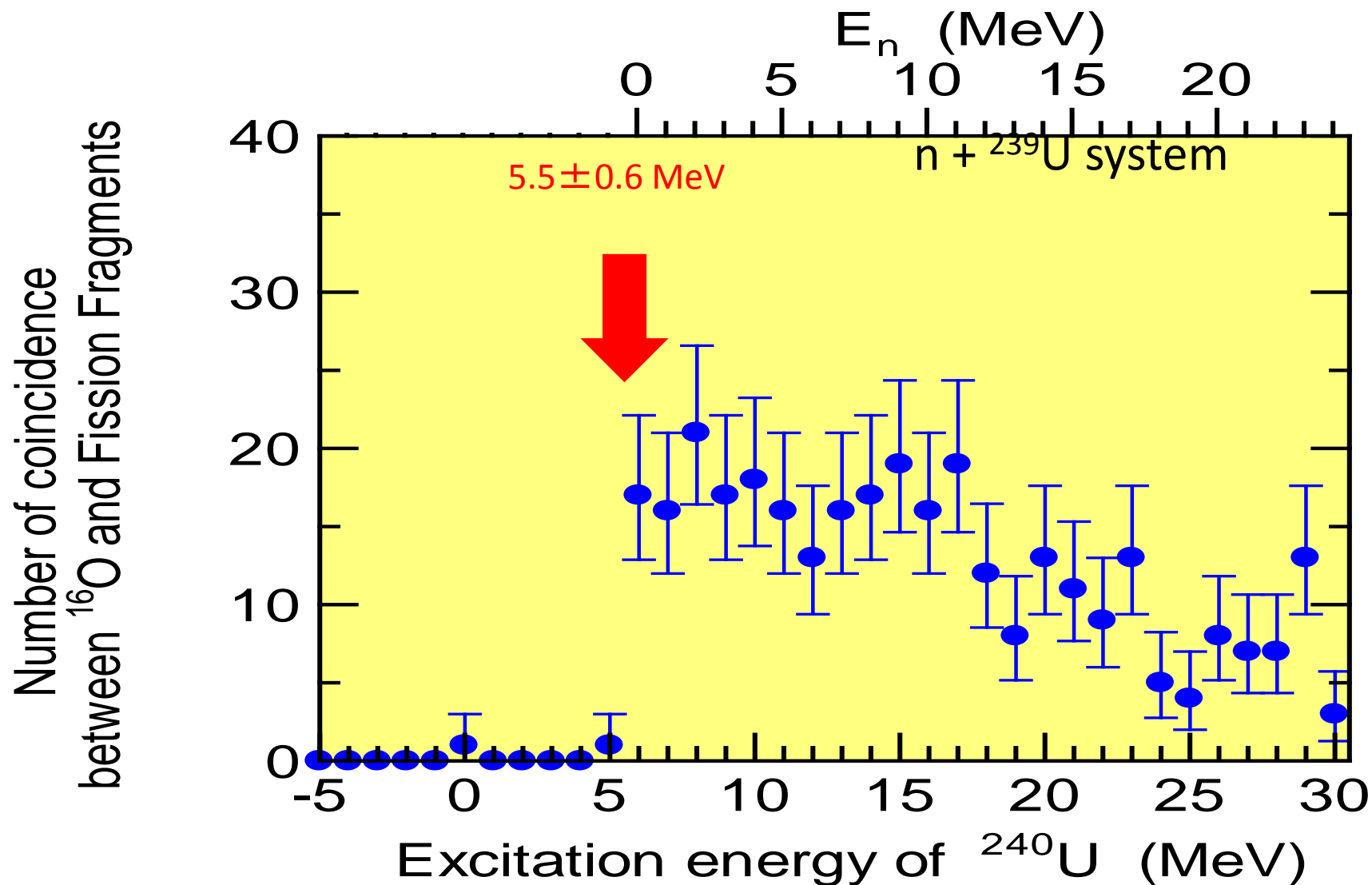
Test experiment for a surrogate reaction : $^{18}\text{O} + ^{238}\text{U}$ system



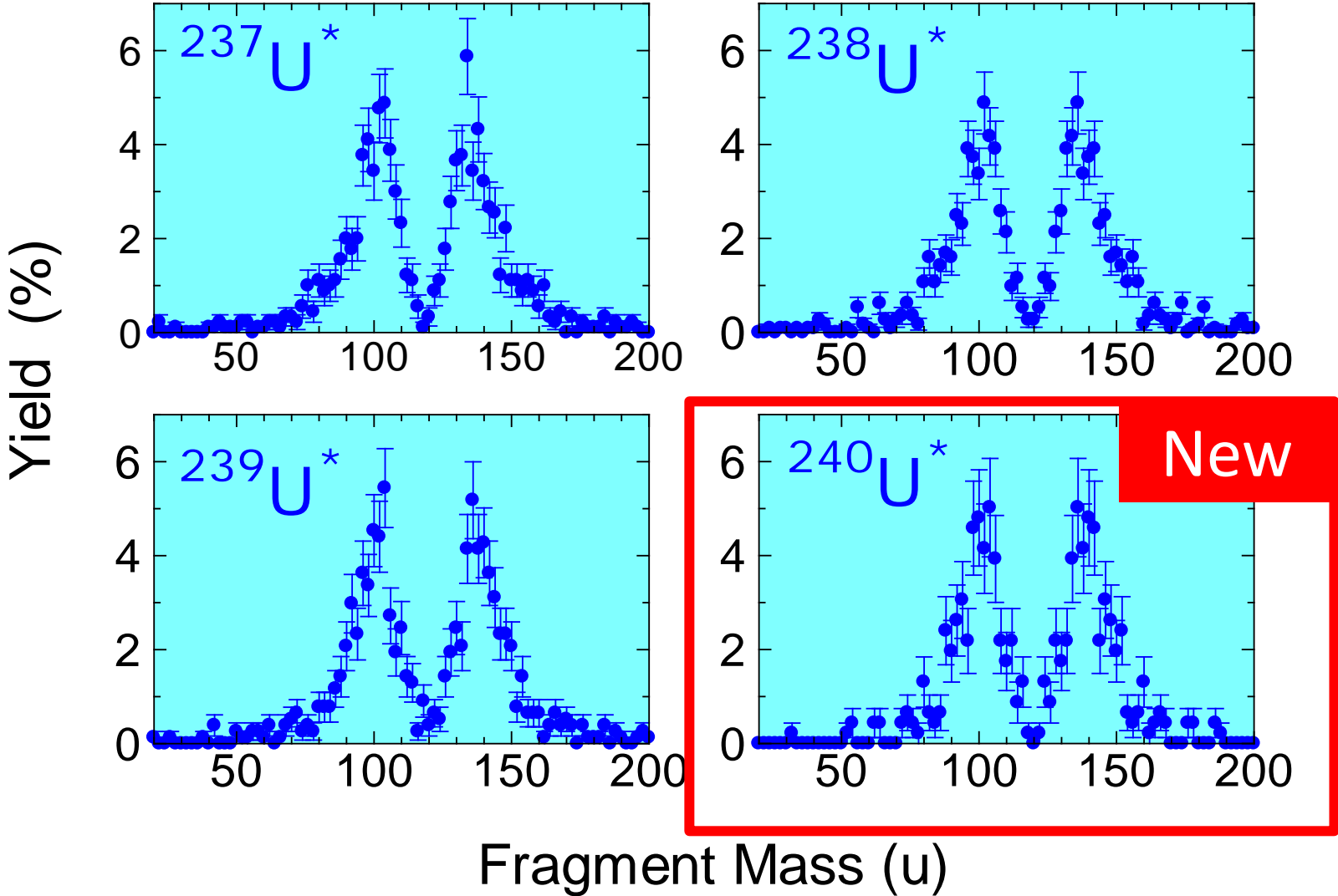
$^{238}\text{U} (^{18}\text{O}, ^{16}\text{O}) \ ^{240}\text{U}^*$
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 $^{238}\text{U} (^{18}\text{O}, ^{15}\text{N}) \ ^{241}\text{Np}^*$
 $^{238}\text{U} (^{18}\text{O}, ^{16}\text{N}) \ ^{240}\text{Np}^*$
 $^{238}\text{U} (^{18}\text{O}, ^{12}\text{C}) \ ^{244}\text{Pu}^*$
 $^{238}\text{U} (^{18}\text{O}, ^{14}\text{C}) \ ^{242}\text{Pu}^*$
 $^{238}\text{U} (^{18}\text{O}, \text{B}) \ \text{Am}^*$
 $^{238}\text{U} (^{18}\text{O}, \text{Be}) \ \text{Cm}^*$

$n + ^{239}\text{U}$ (23.5 min)
 $n + ^{237}\text{U}$ (6.8 day)
 $n + ^{240}\text{Np}$ (65 min)
 $n + ^{239}\text{Np}$ (2.4 day)
 $n + ^{243}\text{Pu}$ (4.9 hr)
 $n + ^{241}\text{Pu}$ (14 yr)

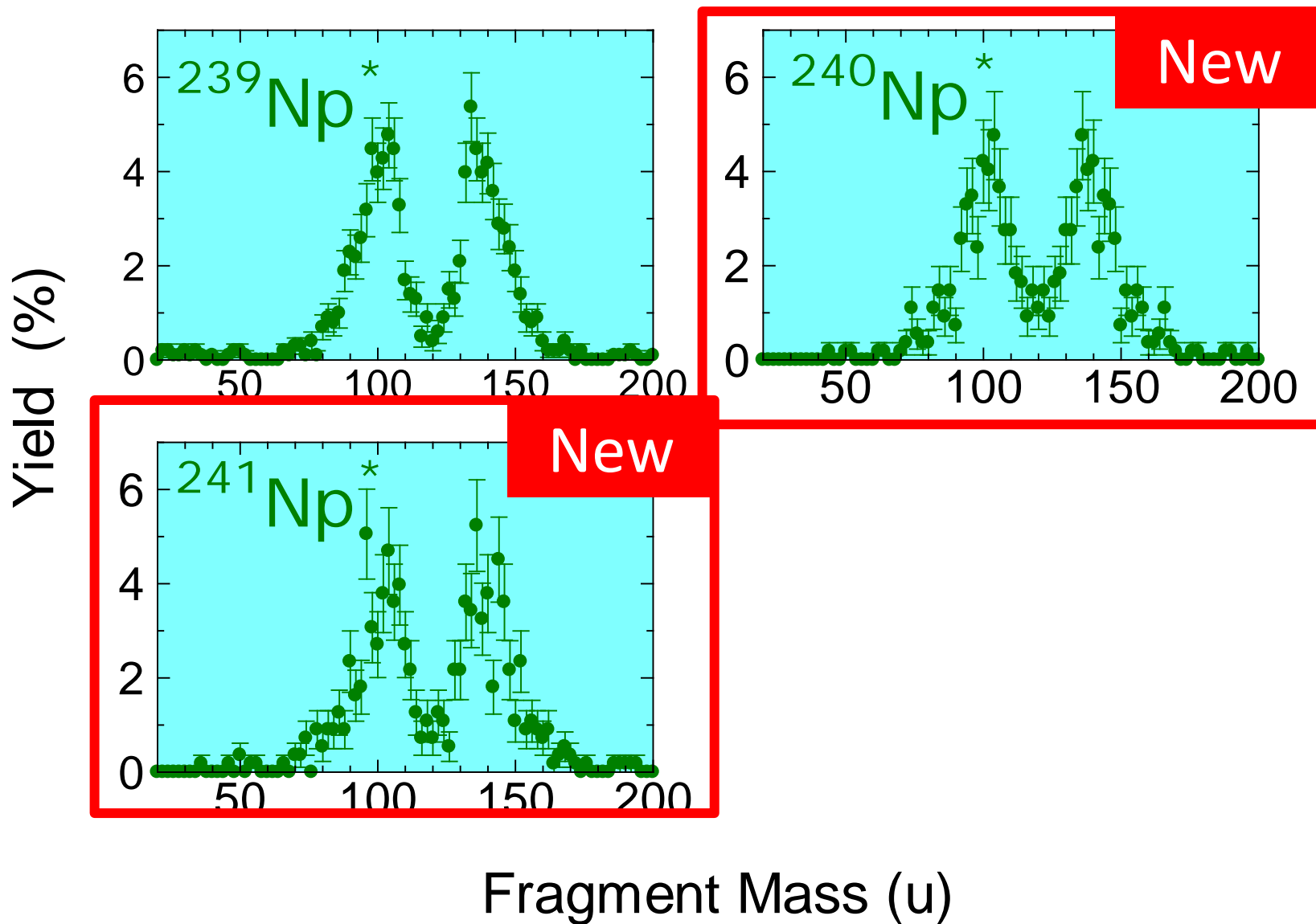
Excitation function of $^{238}\text{U}(^{18}\text{O},^{16}\text{O})^{240}\text{U}(f)$ reaction



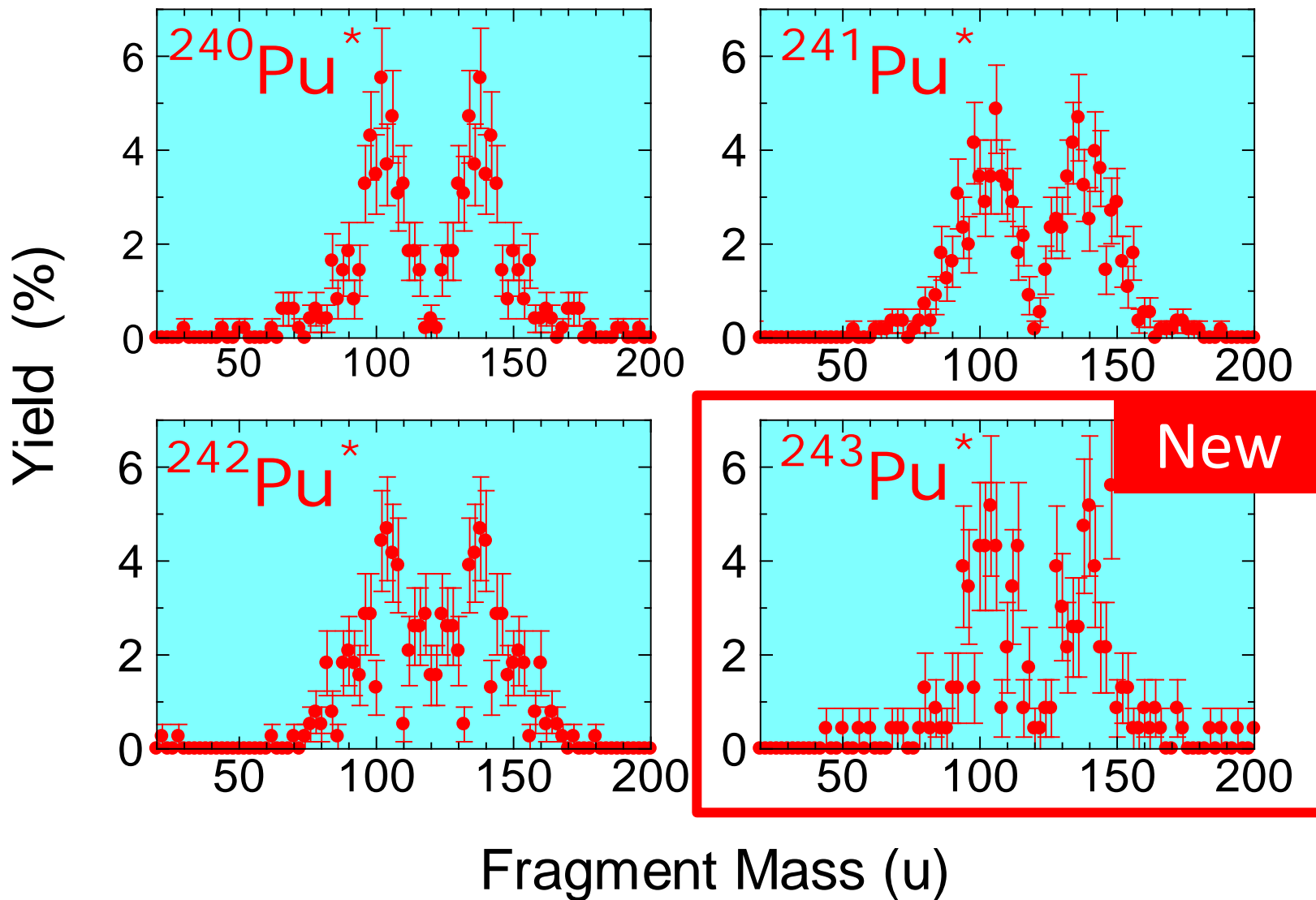
Fission Fragment Mass Distribution (FFMD) of U $E^* < 20$ MeV



FFMD of Np isotopes $E^* < 20$ MeV



FFMD of Pu isotopes $E^* < 20$ MeV

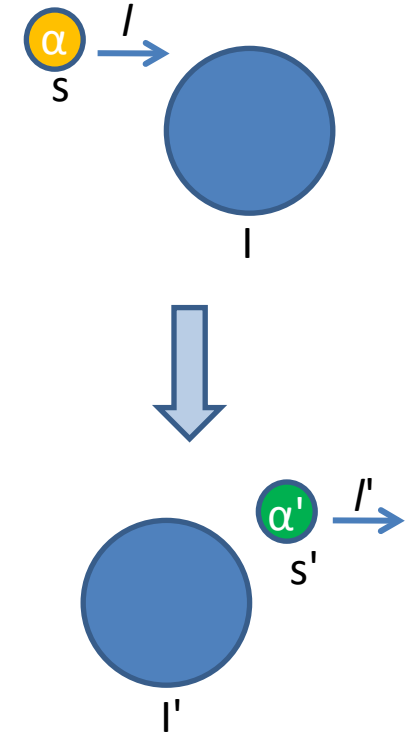


Hauser-Feshbach Formula

$$\sigma_{\alpha\alpha'}(E_x) = \sum_{J=\text{mod}(I+s,1)}^{l_{\max}+I+s} \sum_{\pi=-1}^1 \left[\sum_{J=\text{mod}(I+s,1)}^{l_{\max}+I+s} \sum_{\pi=-1}^1 \sum_{j=|J-I|}^{J+I} \sum_{l=|j-s|}^{j+s} \sum_{j'=|J-I'|}^{J+I'} \sum_{l'=|j'-s'|}^{j'+s'} C^2 S^{I'} B_{\alpha'\alpha}^{J^\pi} \langle \phi_{\alpha'} | T | \phi_{\alpha} \rangle \right]$$

Formation cross section

(can be different for n- and surrogate reactions)



$$\times \frac{\int_{E_x - \Delta E}^{E_x + \Delta E} \rho(E_{x'}, J^\pi) T_{\alpha'l'j'}^J(E_{\alpha'}) dE_{x'}}{\sum_{\alpha''l''j''} \delta_{\pi\alpha''} \int_0^{E_x^{\max}} \rho(E_{x''}, J^\pi) T_{\alpha''l''j''}^J(E_{\alpha''}) dE_{x''}}$$

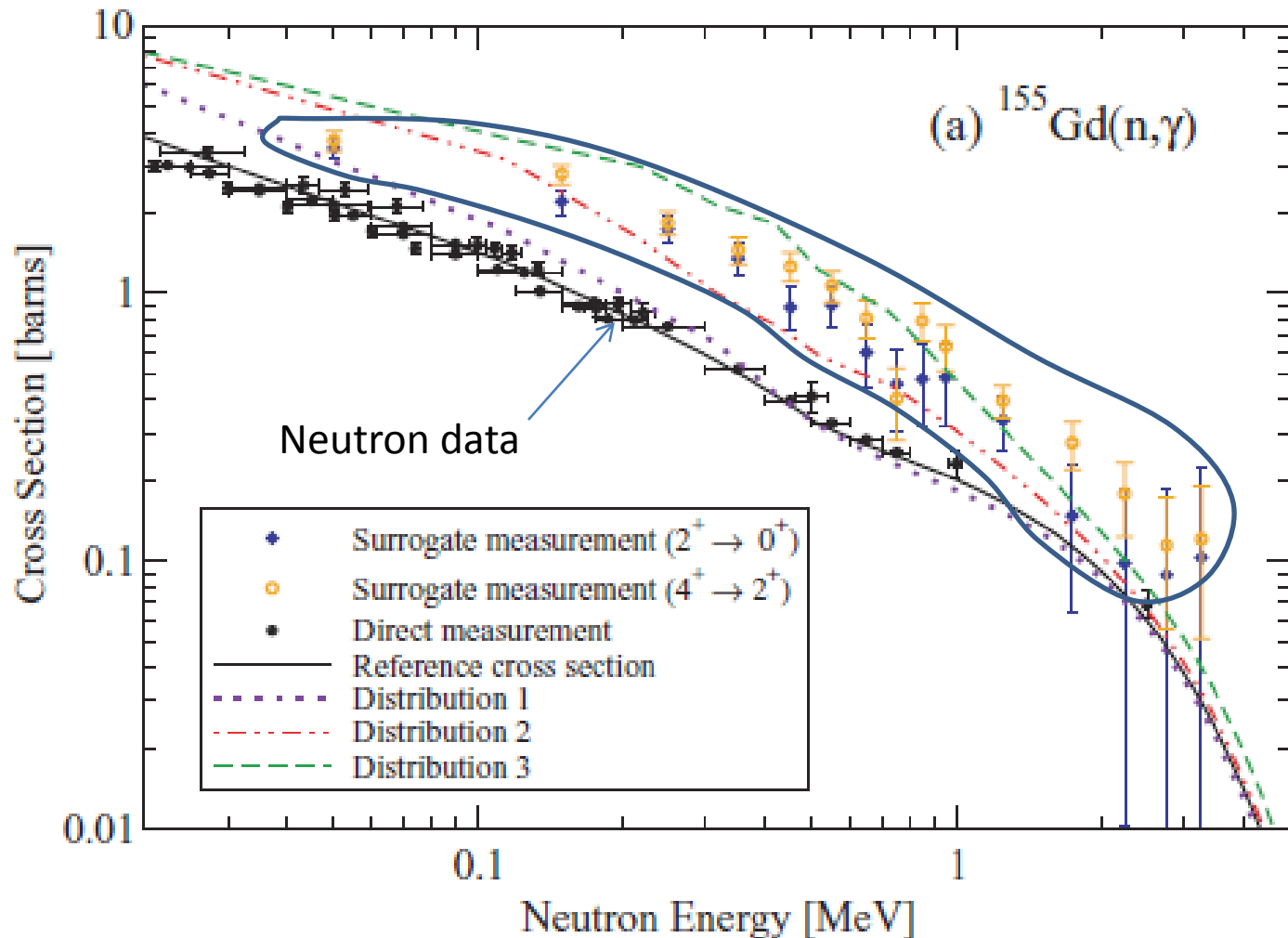
Decay branching ratio

$$B_f^\alpha(\varepsilon_\alpha, J, \pi)$$

Conservation laws

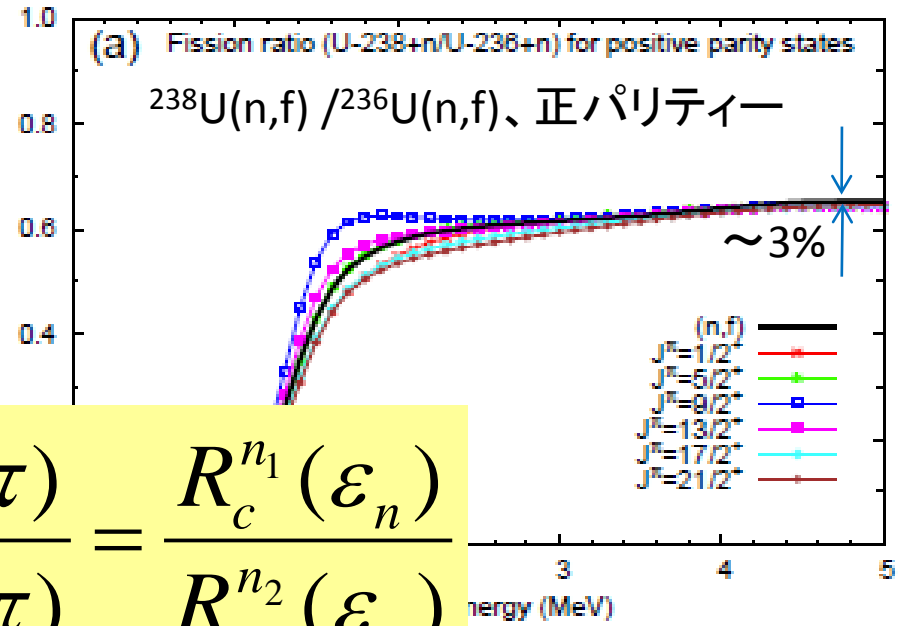
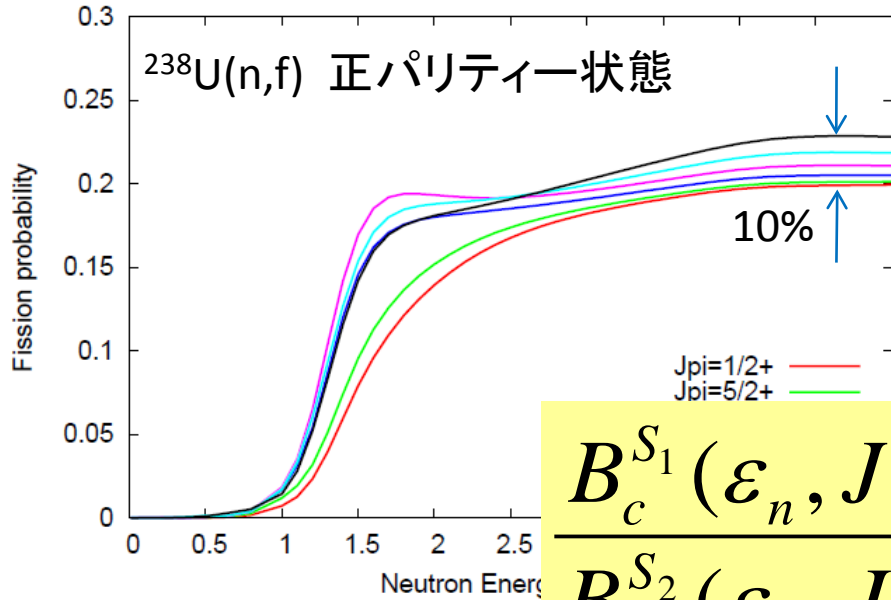
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} E_\alpha + S_\alpha = E_{\alpha'} + E_x + S_\alpha \\ s + I + l = s' + I' + l' = J \\ \pi_\alpha \pi_i (-)^l = \pi_{\alpha'} \pi_f (-)^{l'} = \pi \end{array} \right.$$

- Scielzo et al., PRC 81, 034608(2010)
- Surrogate method does not work for capture reaction?
- In which condition does it work?

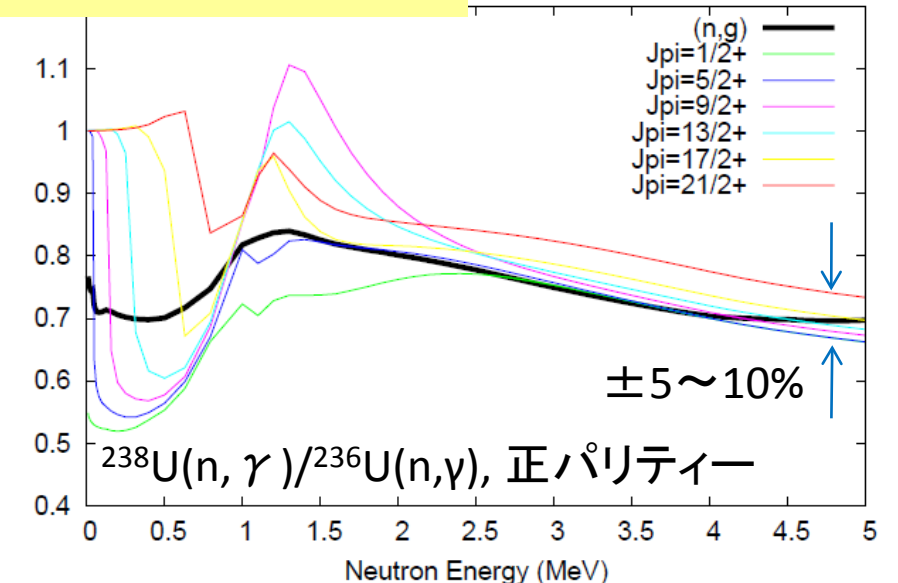
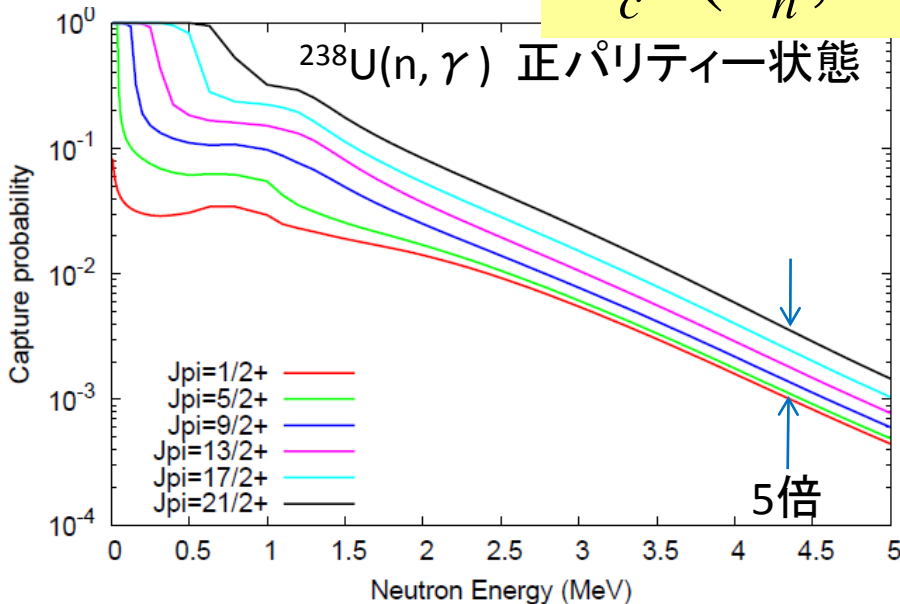


Convergence of J^π -dependent branching ratios

Fission probability of U-238+n positive parity states



$$\frac{B_c^{S_1}(\varepsilon_n, J, \pi)}{B_c^{S_2}(\varepsilon_n, J, \pi)} = \frac{R_c^{n_1}(\varepsilon_n)}{R_c^{n_2}(\varepsilon_n)}$$



Verification of the Surrogate ratio method

SC, Iwamoto, PRC 81, 044604(2010)

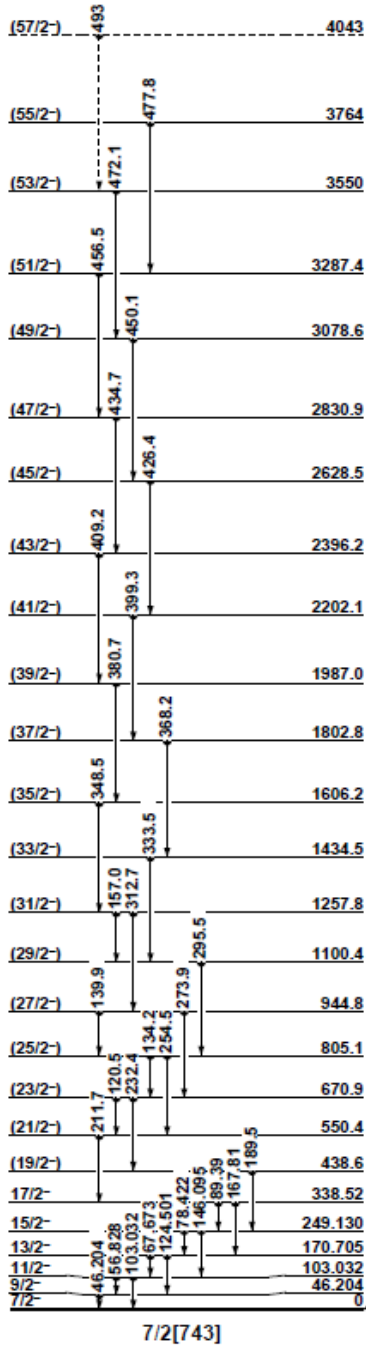
$$\frac{B_{\gamma}^{S_1}(\varepsilon_n, J, \pi)}{B_{\gamma}^{S_2}(\varepsilon_n, J, \pi)} = \frac{R_{\gamma}^{n_1}(\varepsilon_n)}{R_{\gamma}^{n_2}(\varepsilon_n)}$$

Weak Weisskopf-Ewing condition

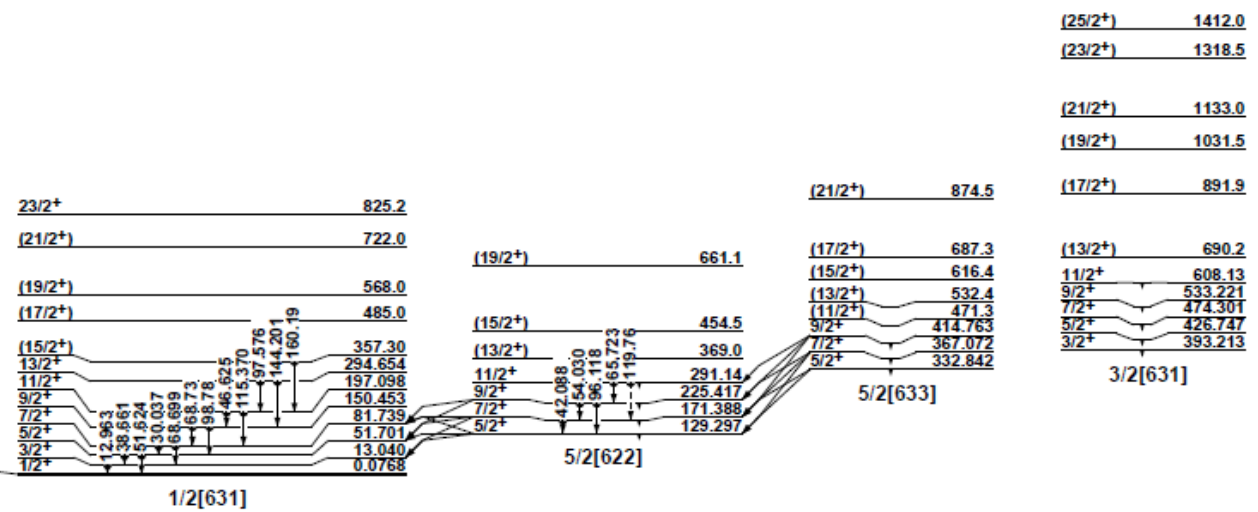
$$\begin{aligned} R_{\gamma}^{S_1} &= \frac{\sum_{J^{\pi}} \sigma_{dir}^{S_1}(\varepsilon_n, J, \pi) \cdot B_{\gamma}^{S_1}(\varepsilon_n, J, \pi)}{\sum_{J^{\pi}} \sigma_{dir}^{S_1}(\varepsilon_n, J, \pi)} = \frac{\sum_{J^{\pi}} \sigma_{dir}^{S_1}(\varepsilon_n, J, \pi) \cdot B_{\gamma}^{S_2}(\varepsilon_n, J, \pi) \cdot \frac{R_{\gamma}^{n_1}(\varepsilon_n)}{R_{\gamma}^{n_2}(\varepsilon_n)}}{\sum_{J^{\pi}} \sigma_{dir}^{S_1}(\varepsilon_n, J, \pi)} \\ &= \frac{\sum_{J^{\pi}} \sigma_{dir}^{S_2}(\varepsilon_n, J, \pi) \cdot B_{\gamma}^{S_2}(\varepsilon_n)}{\sum_{J^{\pi}} \sigma_{dir}^{S_2}(\varepsilon_n, J, \pi)} \cdot \frac{R_{\gamma}^{n_1}(\varepsilon_n)}{R_{\gamma}^{n_2}(\varepsilon_n)} = R_{\gamma}^{S_2}(\varepsilon_n) \cdot \frac{R_{\gamma}^{n_1}(\varepsilon_n)}{R_{\gamma}^{n_2}(\varepsilon_n)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow R_{\gamma}^{n_1}(U) = \frac{R_{\gamma}^{S_1}(U)}{R_{\gamma}^{S_2}(U)} R_{\gamma}^{n_2}$$

If the J^{π} distribution in the 2 surrogate reactions employed in the SRM are equivalent, it gives the correct answer

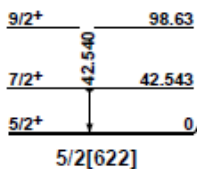
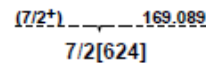
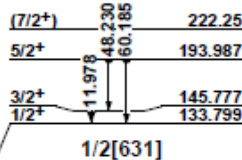
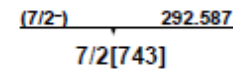
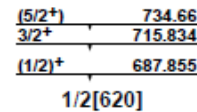
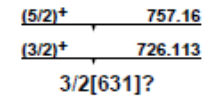
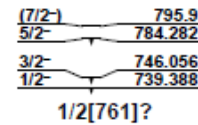
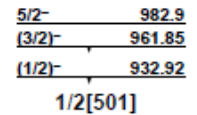


Discrete level information is known enough for statistical treatment
 Hopefully, more information on the side-bands is known

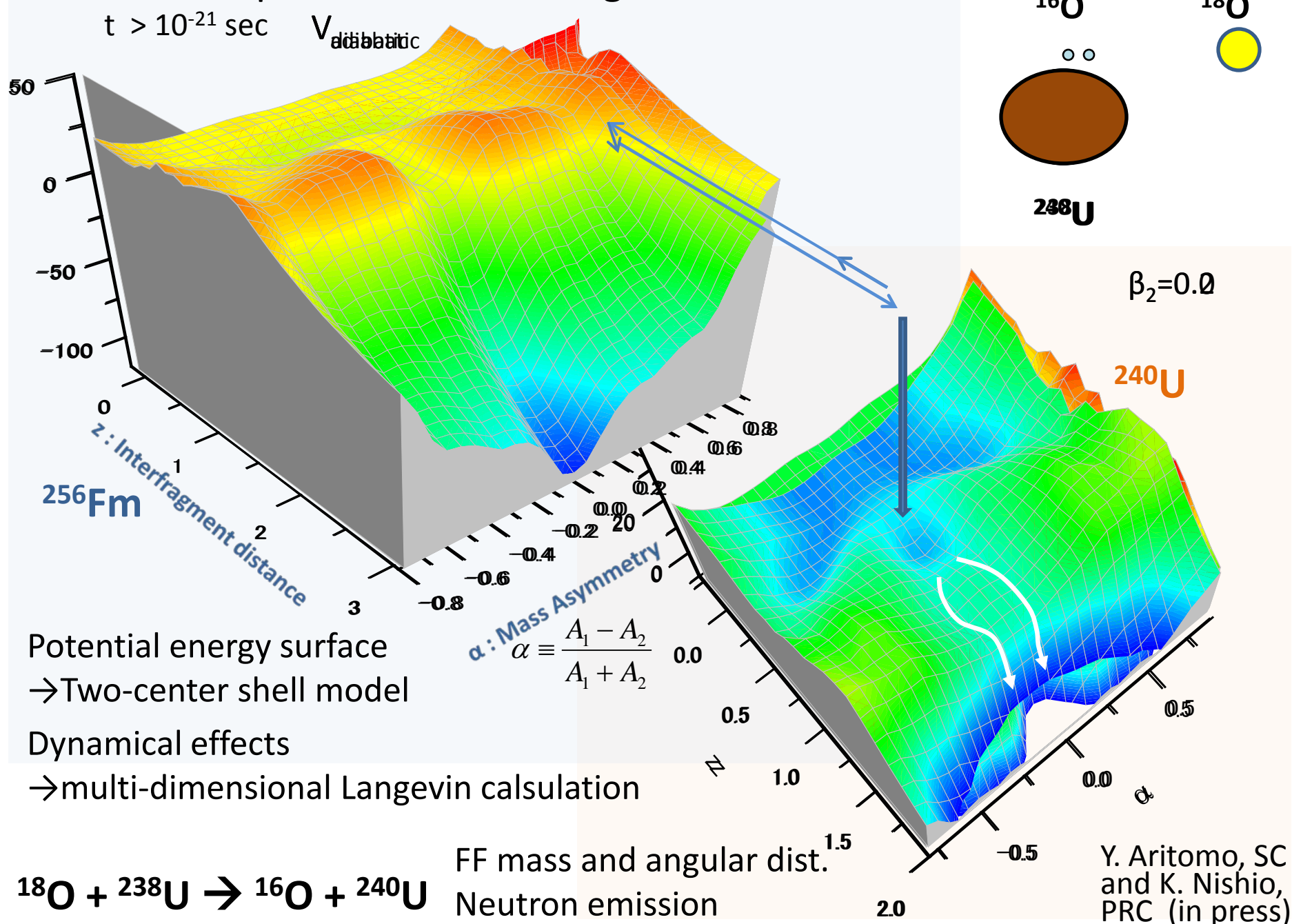


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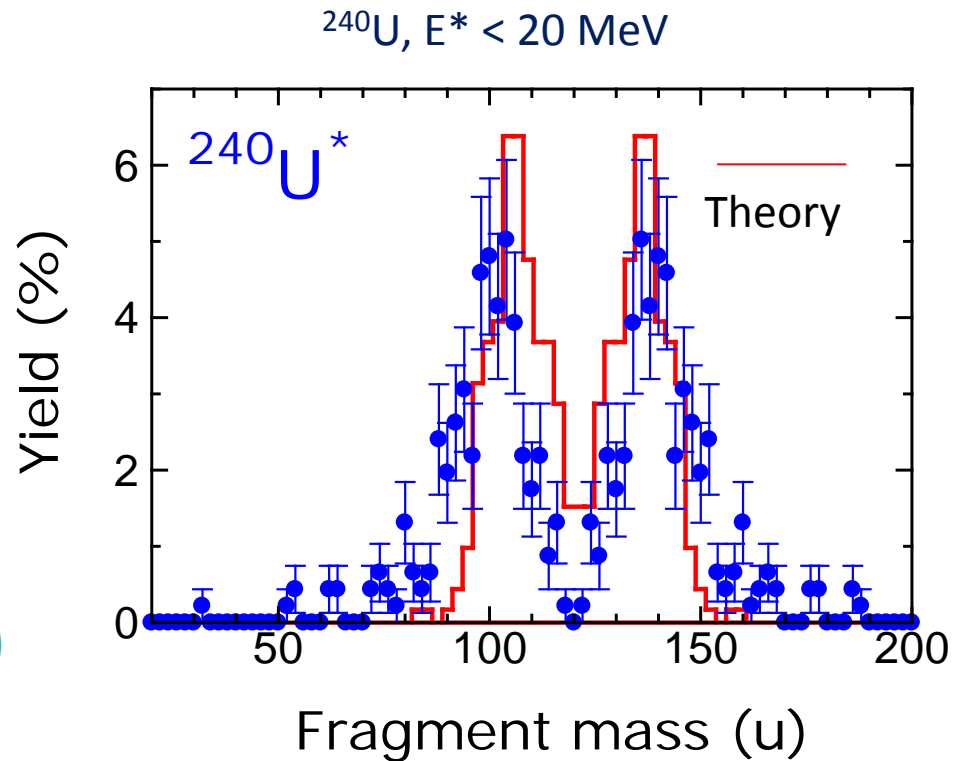
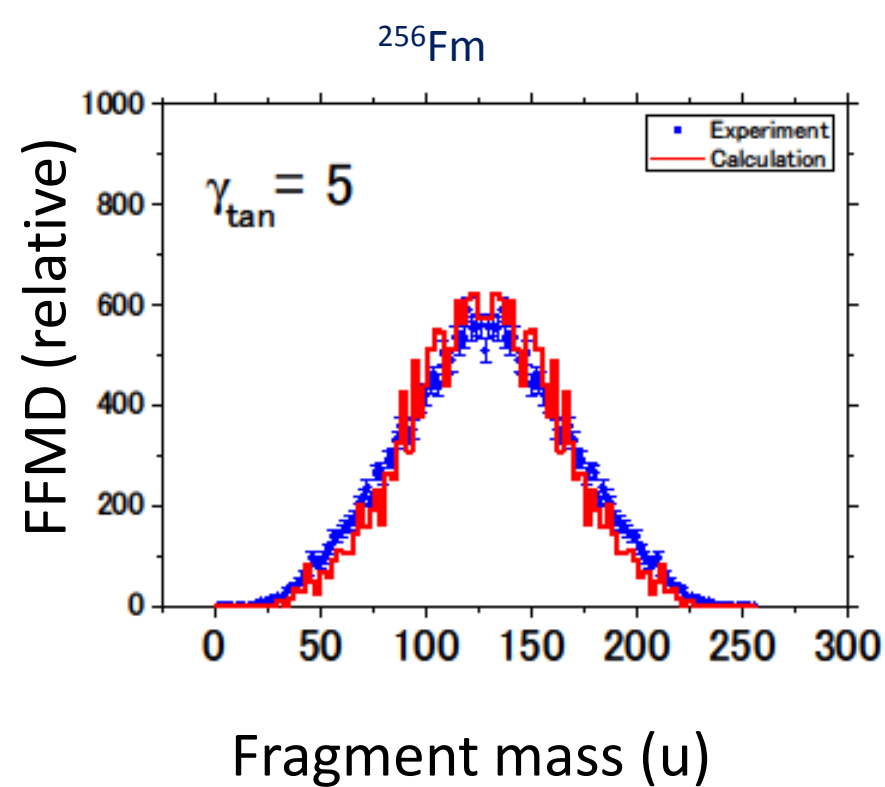
Discrete levels (plausibly existent)
are not known enough for
statistical treatment to be valid



Semi-classical picture of the surrogate reaction



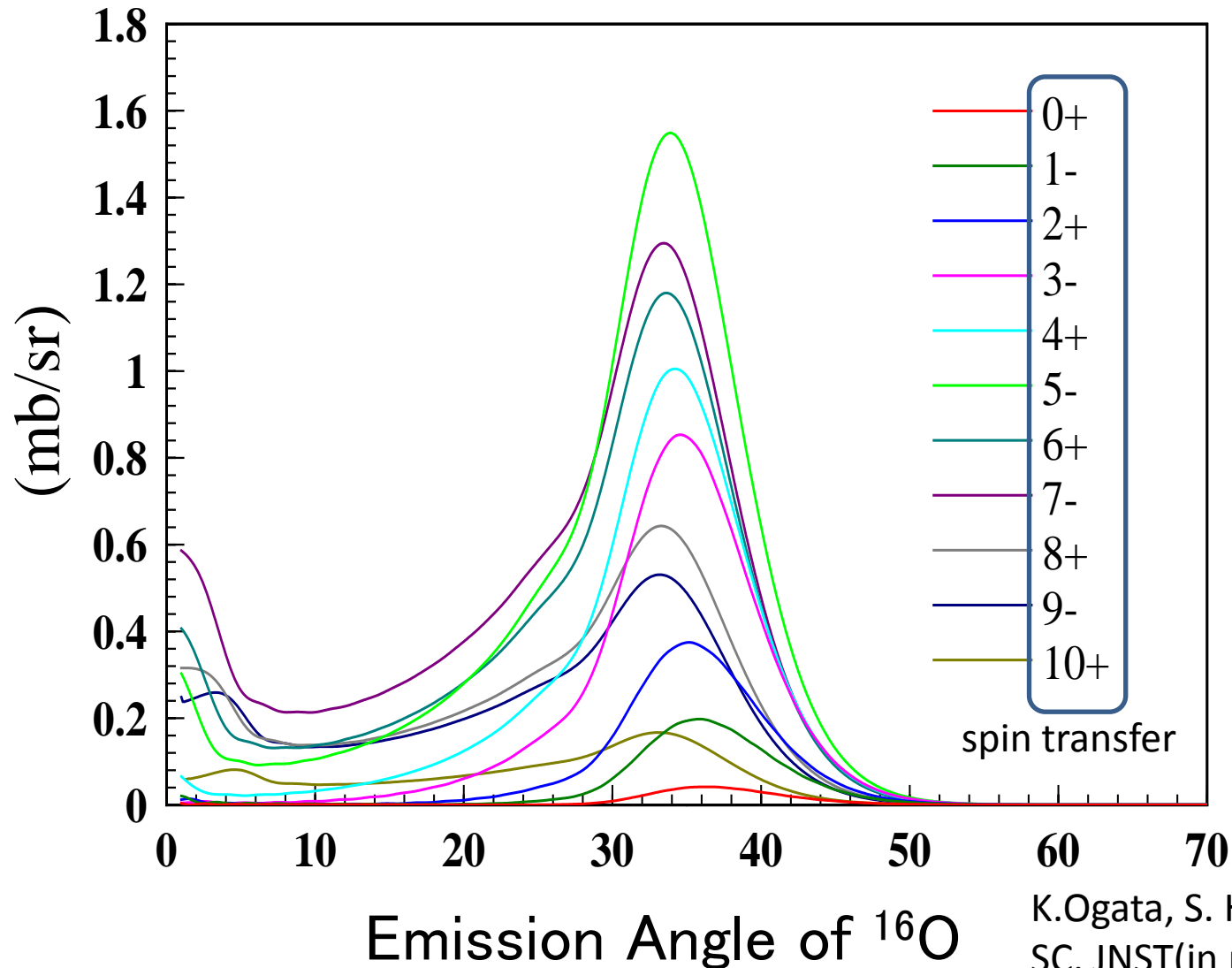
FFMD for $^{18}\text{O} + ^{238}\text{U}$ system



FFMD for both of the fusion-fission (left) and transfer fission (right) processes can be described by a unified dynamical framework based on 2-center shell model + Langevin calculation

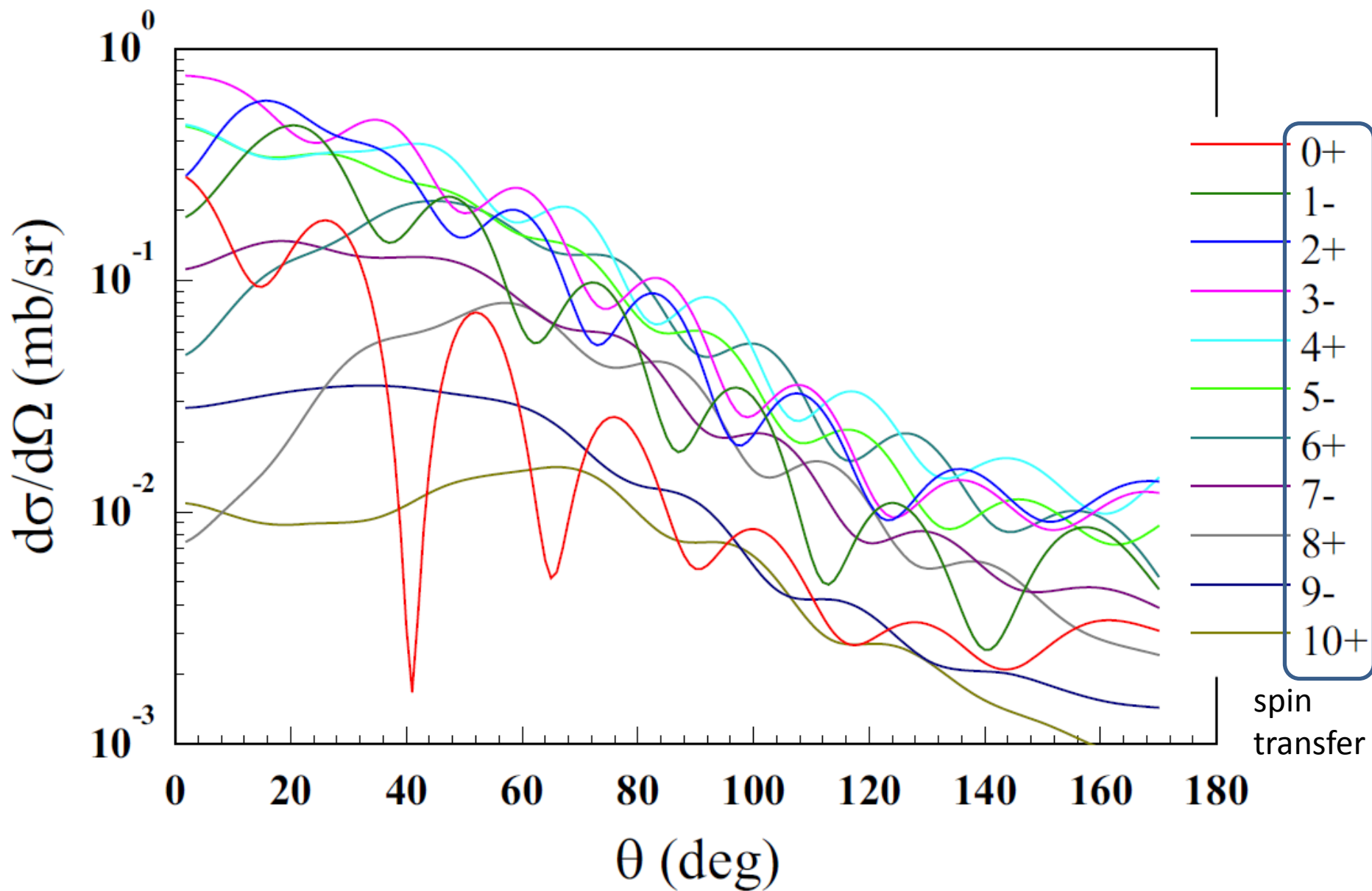
Angular distribution (CDC-CBA, Ogata)

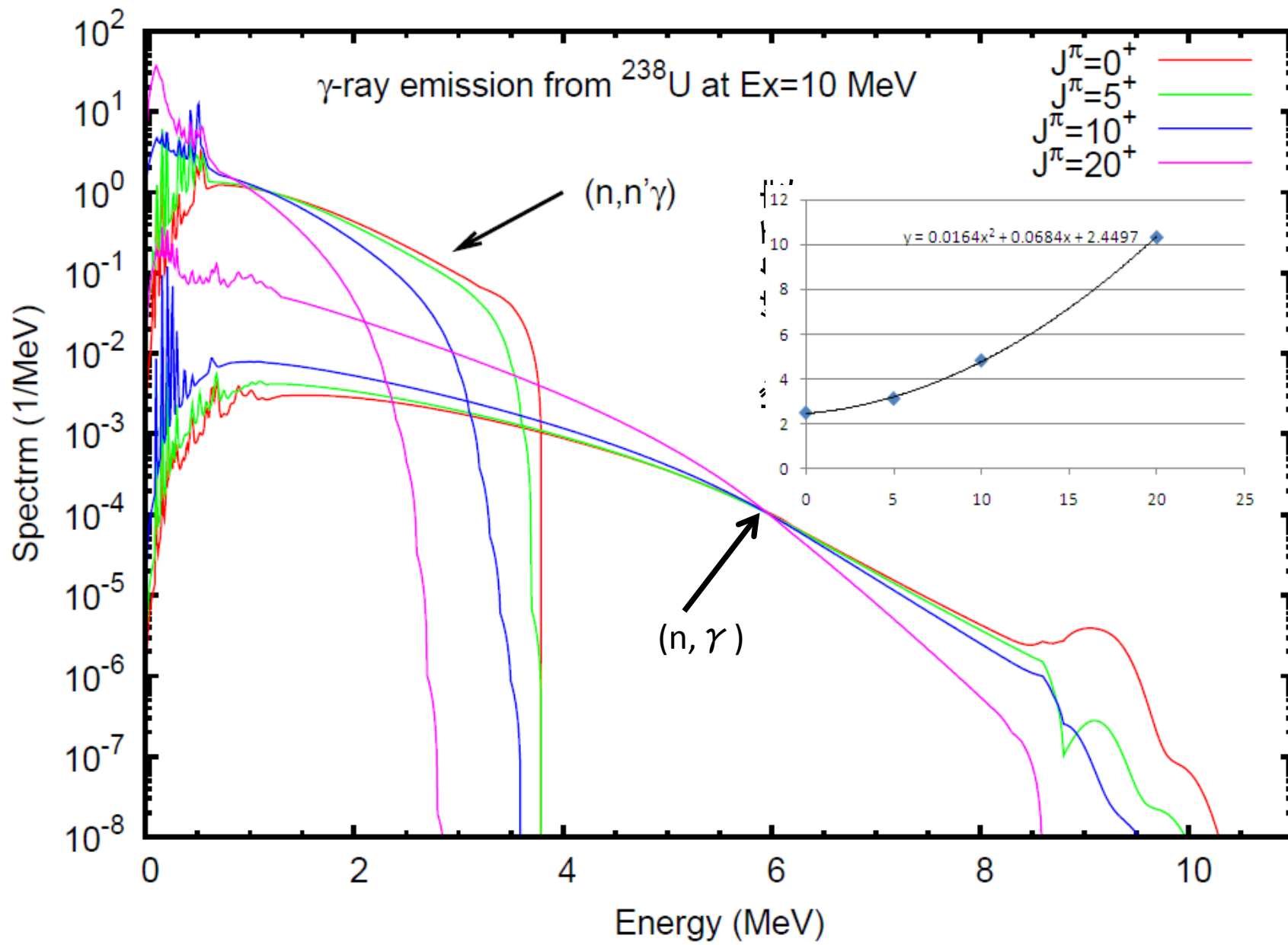
$^{238}\text{U}(^{18}\text{O}, ^{16}\text{O})^{240}\text{U}$ reaction at 180 MeV



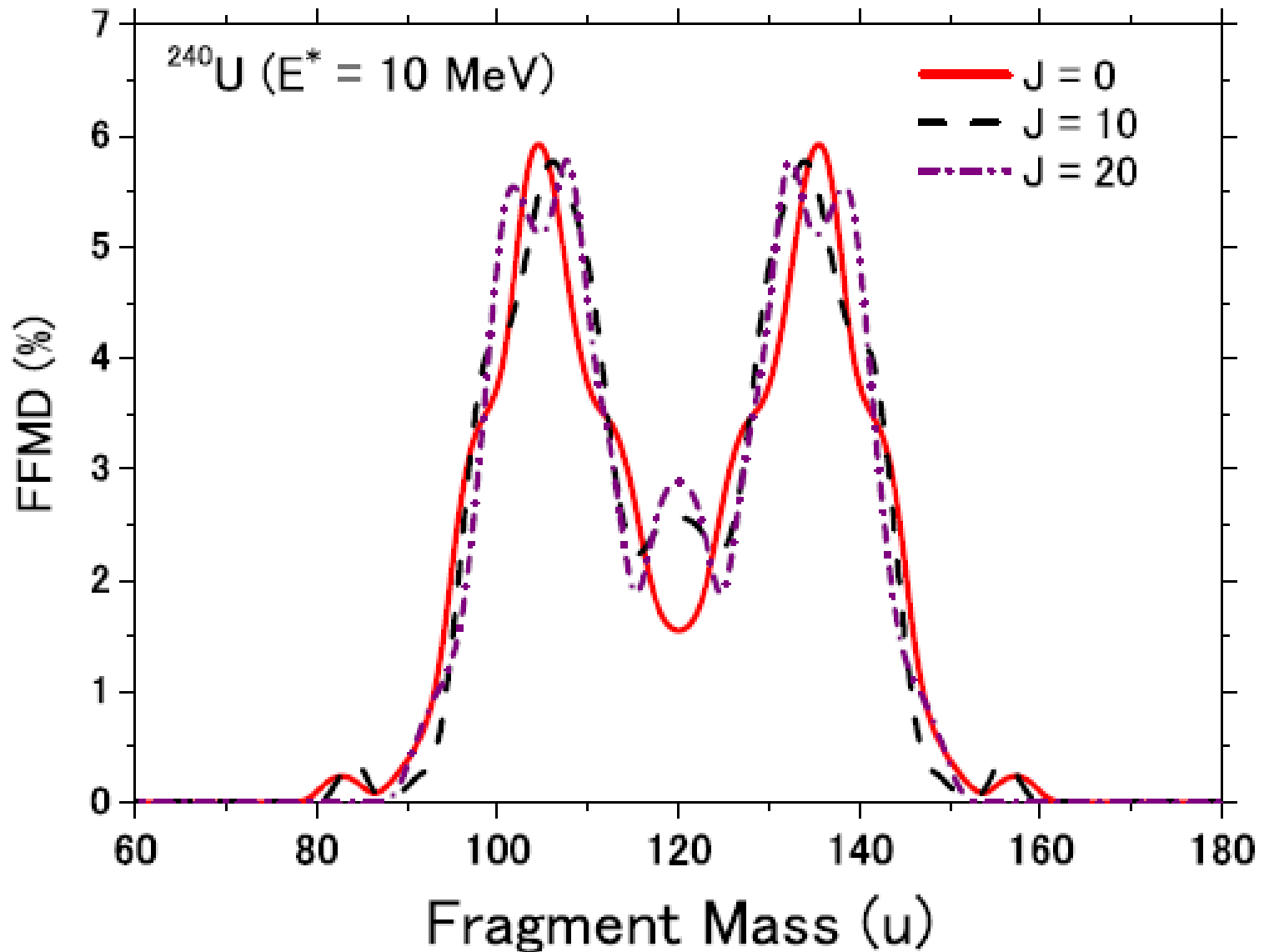
K.Ogata, S. Hashimoto and SC, JNST(in press)

$^{238}\text{U}(^3\text{He},p)^{240}\text{Np}$ at 30 MeV



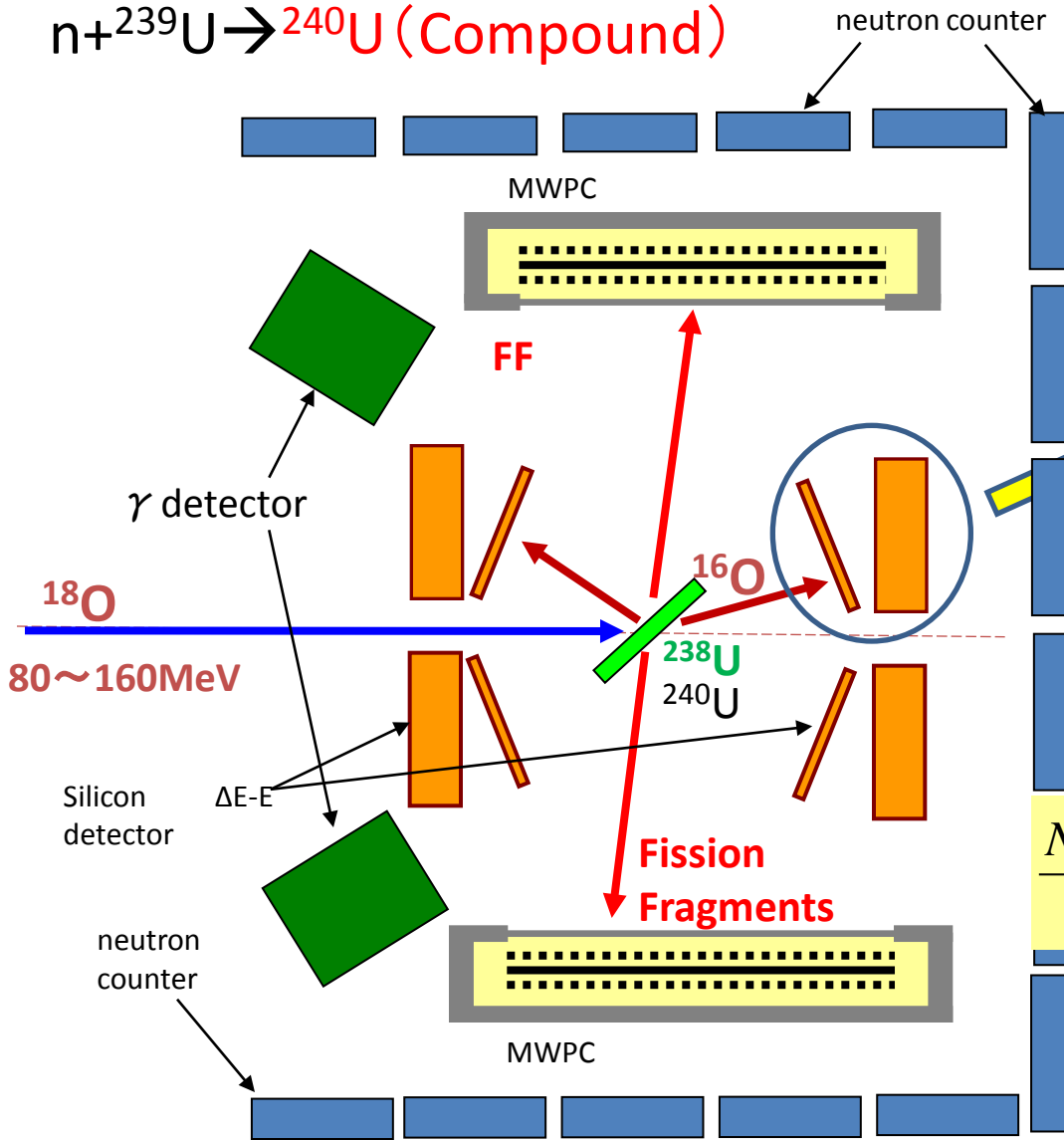


Spin-dependence of FFMD

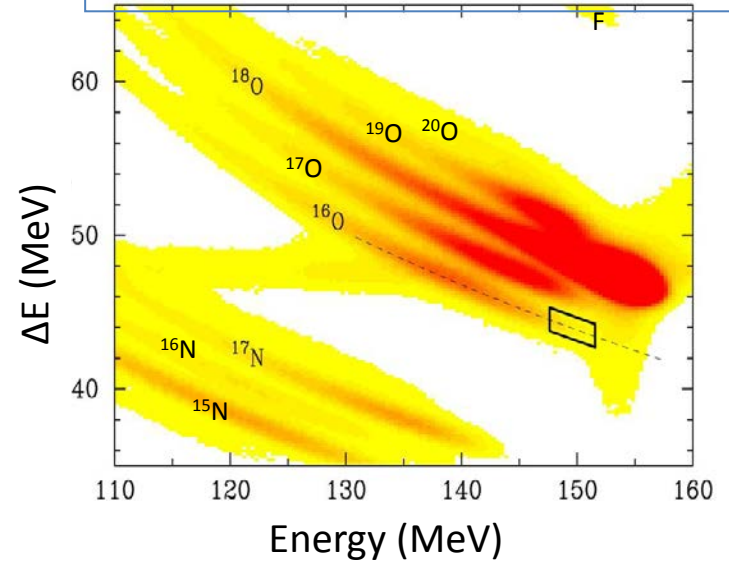


Schematic experimental layout

Neutron c.s. of ^{239}U ($T_{1/2}=23.5\text{min}$)



- Fission c.s.
- Capture c.s.
- Number of fission neutrons
 - $E_n = 0.5 \sim 5 \text{ MeV}$
 - $10 \sim 15\%$ precision



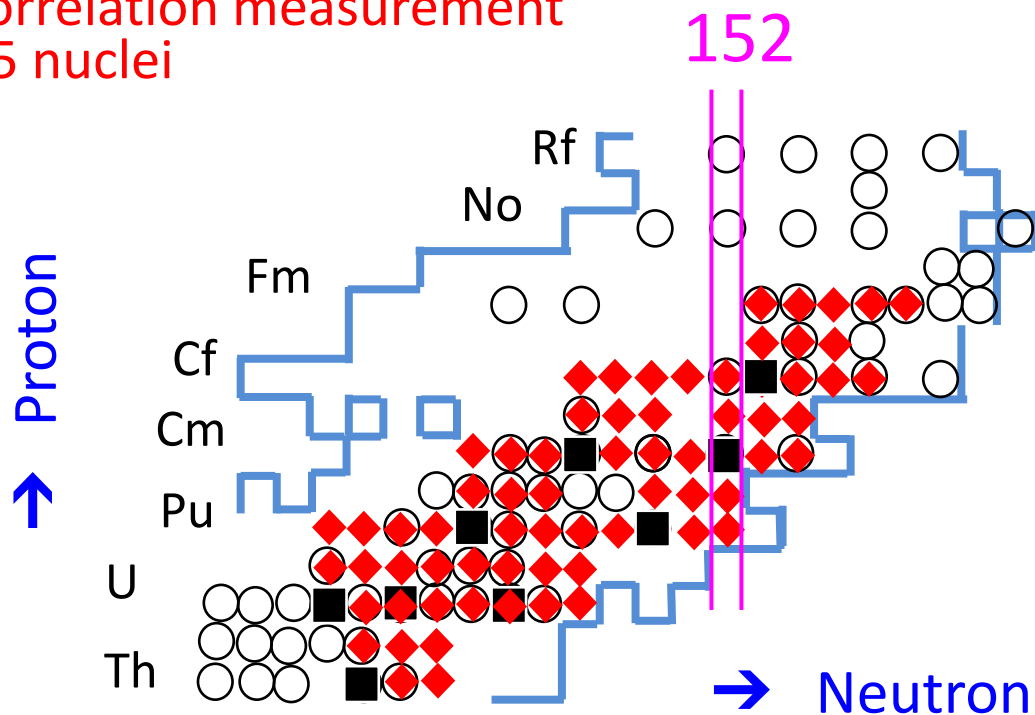
$$\frac{N(^{16}\text{O} \otimes \text{FF})}{N(^{16}\text{O})} \longleftrightarrow \frac{\sigma_f^n(^{239}\text{U})}{\sigma_R^n(^{239}\text{U})} \equiv R_f^S(^{240}\text{U})$$

σ_R : Total reaction c.s.

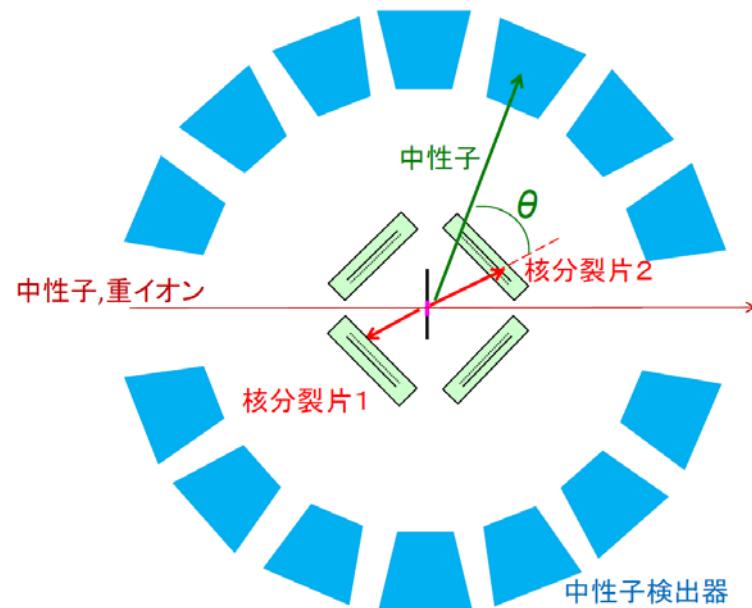
Neutron-induced
Fission c.s. of ^{239}U

Future plans : transfer-induced fission

New data for fragment-neutron correlation measurement
35 nuclei

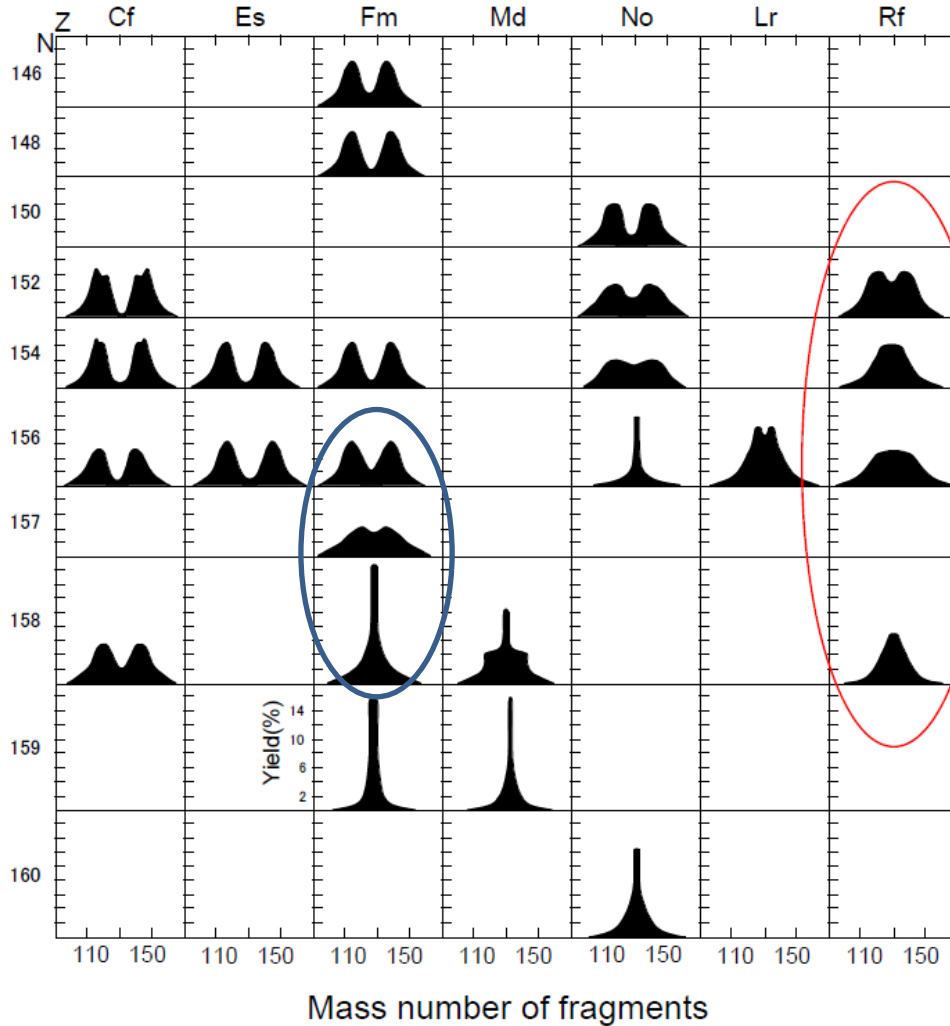


【target】 ^{232}Th , $^{233,235,238}\text{U}$, $^{240,244}\text{Pu}$, $^{244,248}\text{Cm}$, ^{251}Cf



Fission detectors +
Neutron detectors

重・超アクチノイド核の自発核分裂特性



- $^{248}\text{Cm}(^{15}\text{N}, 4n)^{259}\text{Lr}$ (6.3 s)
- $^{248}\text{Cm}(^{18}\text{O}, 4n)^{262}\text{Rf}$ (2.1 s)
- $^{248}\text{Cm}(^{16}\text{O}, 5n)^{259}\text{Rf}$ (3.0 s)
- $^{248}\text{Cm}(^{19}\text{F}, 4n)^{263}\text{Db}$ (27 s)
- $^{248}\text{Cm}(^{19}\text{F}, 5n)^{262}\text{Db}$ (34 s)

Transfer reactions can populate various excitation energies

JAEA Tandem Accelerator at Tokai

- つくばのタンデム崩壊後、国内唯一の大型静電加速器
- 第一種管理区域、ISOLがあり、非密封RI、核燃料物質、アクチノイドをはじめとする α 放射体を使える数少ない加速器施設(核医学用At製造も計画)
- H24概算: 一時ゼロ査定(シャットダウンを前提)
- 年間予算1.7億 \rightarrow 0.3億への減額でどうにか運転継続可能に



20 MV Tandem Facility



Summary

- Surrogate reaction project is being carried out at JAEA
- Multi-nucleon transfer reactions induced by various projectiles (^3He , ^{18}O , ...) are employed
- Fast neutron cross sections relevant to FBR, ADS and neutron-capture nucleosynthesis studies
 - fission cross sections
 - number of prompt fission neutrons and their energy spectra
 - neutron capture cross sections
 - fission fragment mass distributions
- Understanding of reaction mechanisms is highly desired
 - Nuclear reaction physics is important
- Discrete level information is also important