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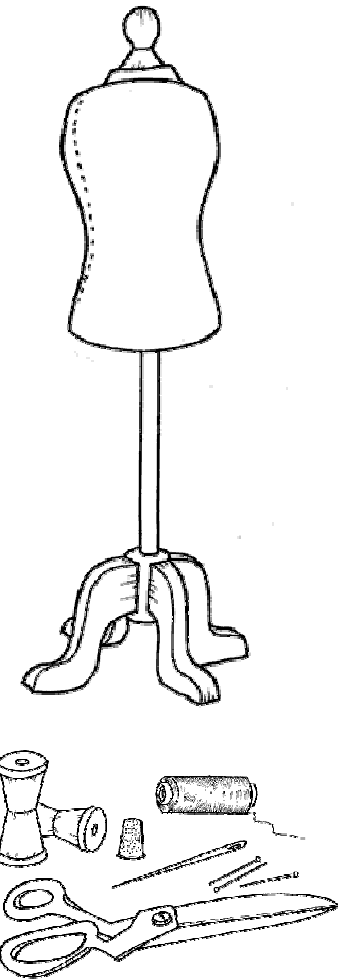
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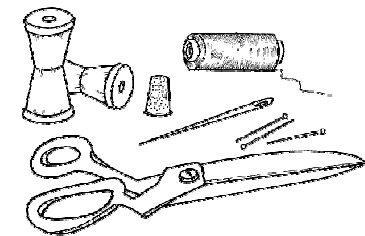
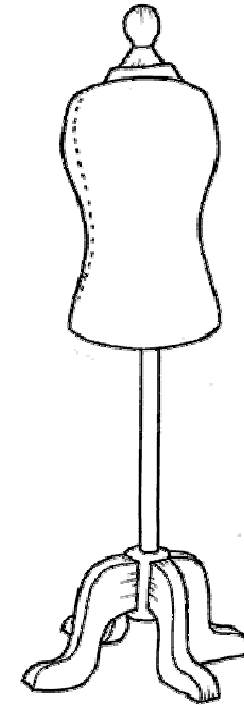




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*to have a good model,  
we need good experimental data*





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# Neutrons @ The Svedberg Laboratory

Uppsala University, Sweden

Cyclotron: 180 MeV protons

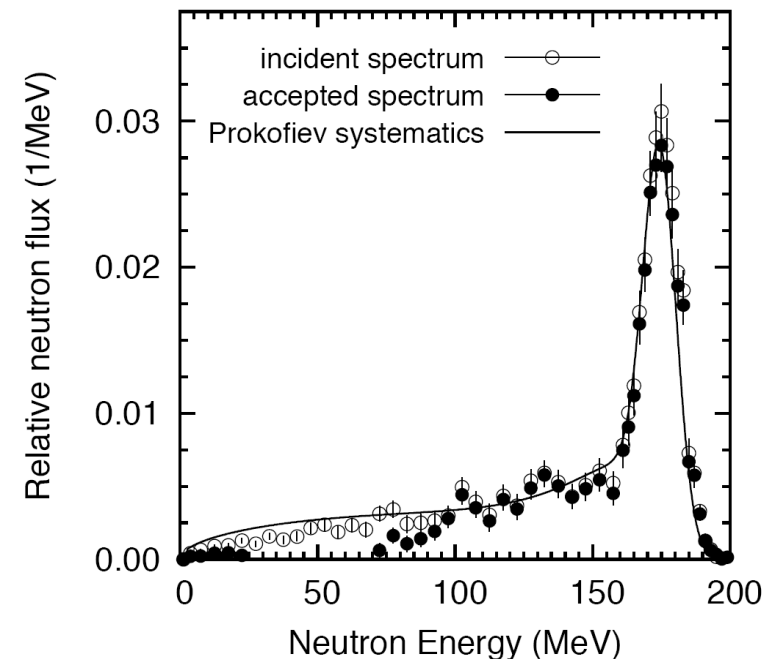
Pulsed neutron beam line:

${}^7\text{Li}(p,n)$  reaction

Quasi-monoenergetic  
neutrons

with energies up to 175 MeV

175 MeV QMN spectrum

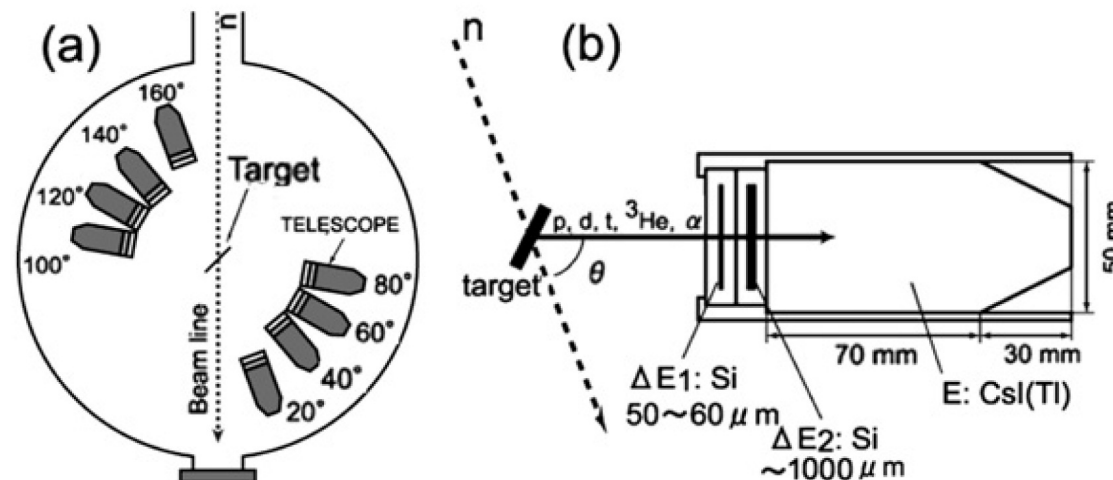




# Medley Spectrometer

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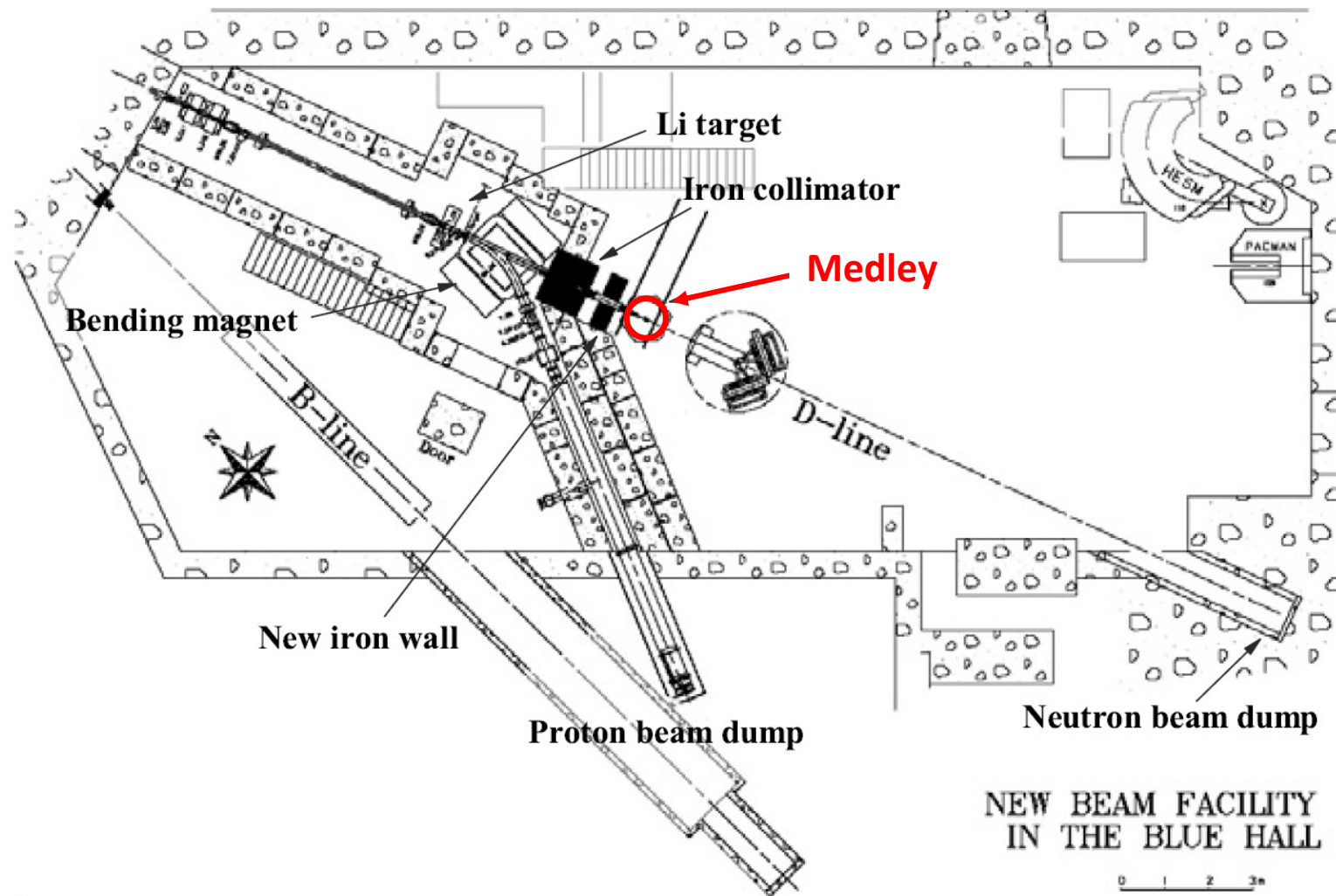
- Eight three-elements  $\Delta E$ - $\Delta E$ -E telescopes
- Detects: protons, deuterons, tritons,  $^3\text{He}$ ,  $\alpha$  particles
- Low particle identification threshold (2 MeV for protons)
- Wide dynamic range (up to 170 MeV)





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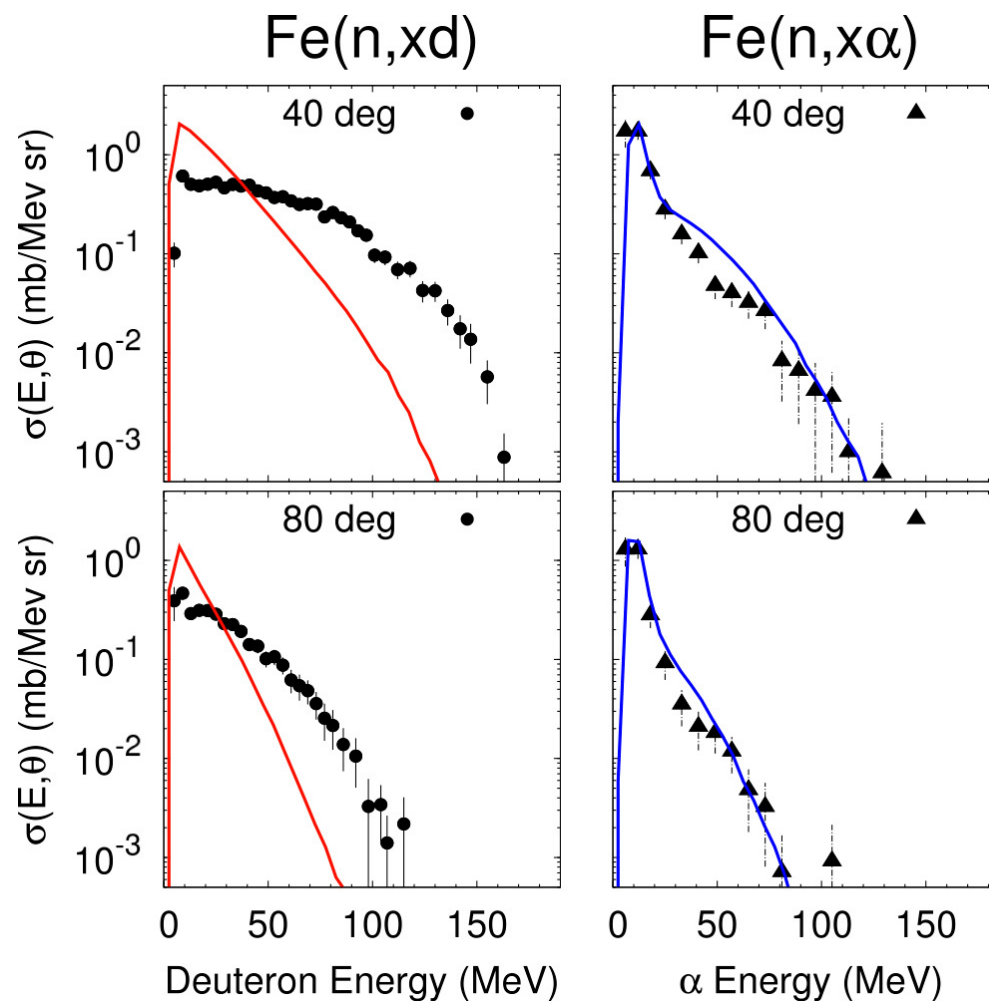
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# MCNP6

Event generator:  
Cascade-Exciton Model  
(CEM03.03)



Calculations by Stepan Mashnik

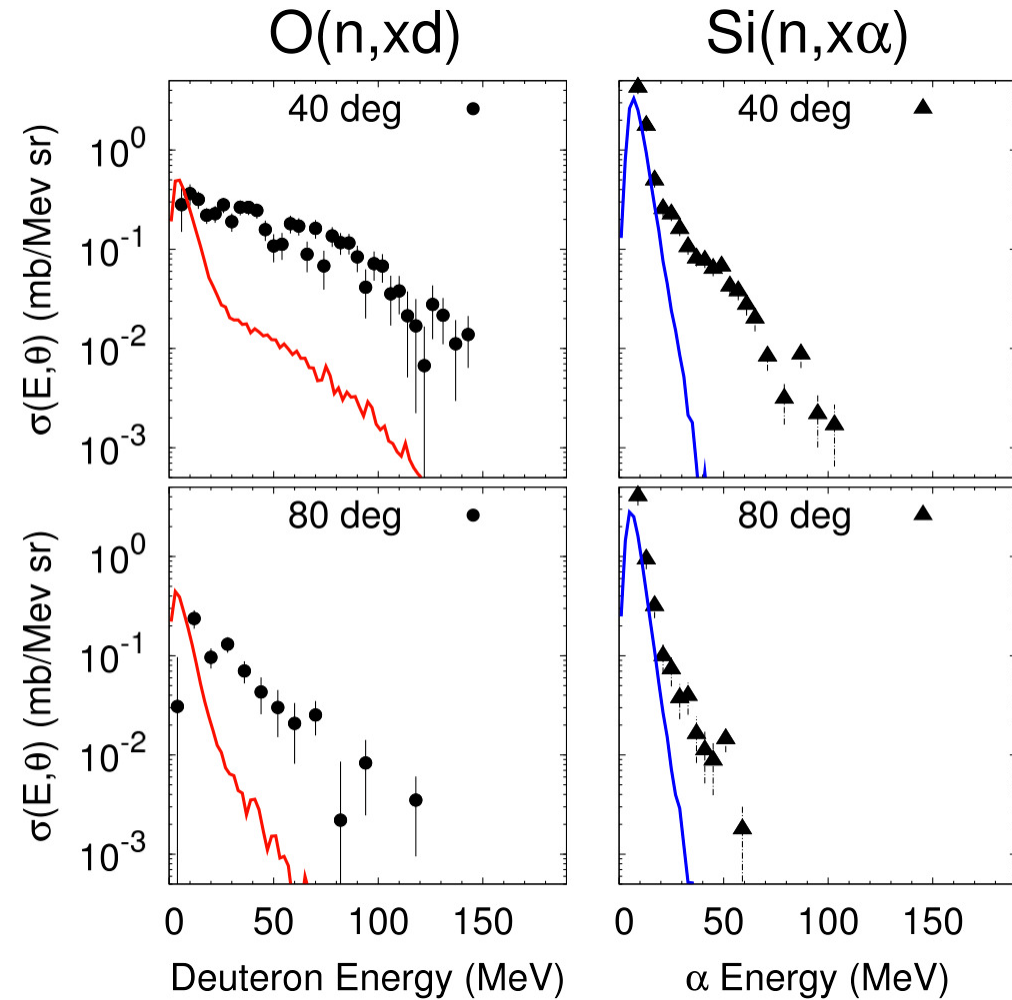
Leslie M. Kerby "Preequilibrium Emission of Light Fragments in Spallation Reactions"  
Central Park West, **now** (unfortunately!)



# Quantum Molecular Dynamics

## PHITS calculations

- pre-equilibrium: QMD
- statistical decay: generalized evaporation model (GEM)



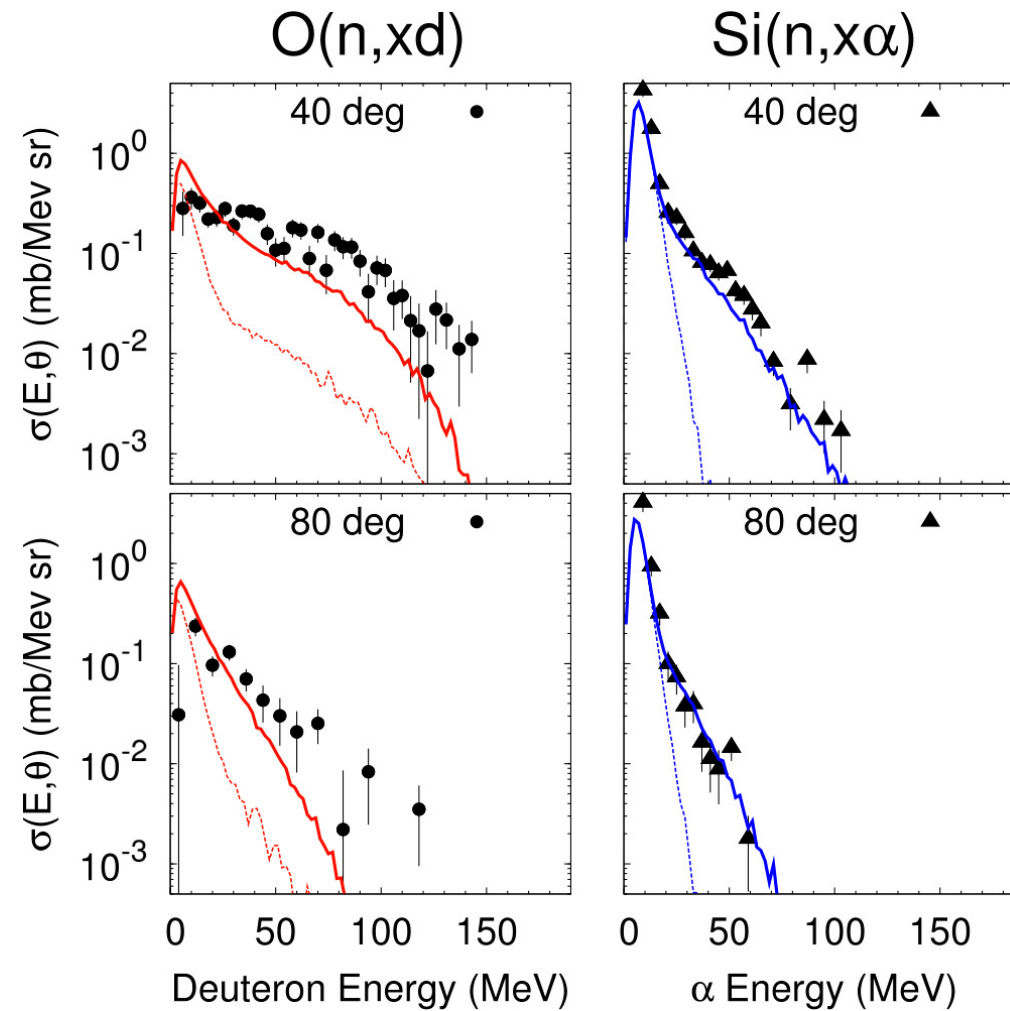
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# Quantum Molecular Dynamics

## Modified with a Surface Coalescence Model



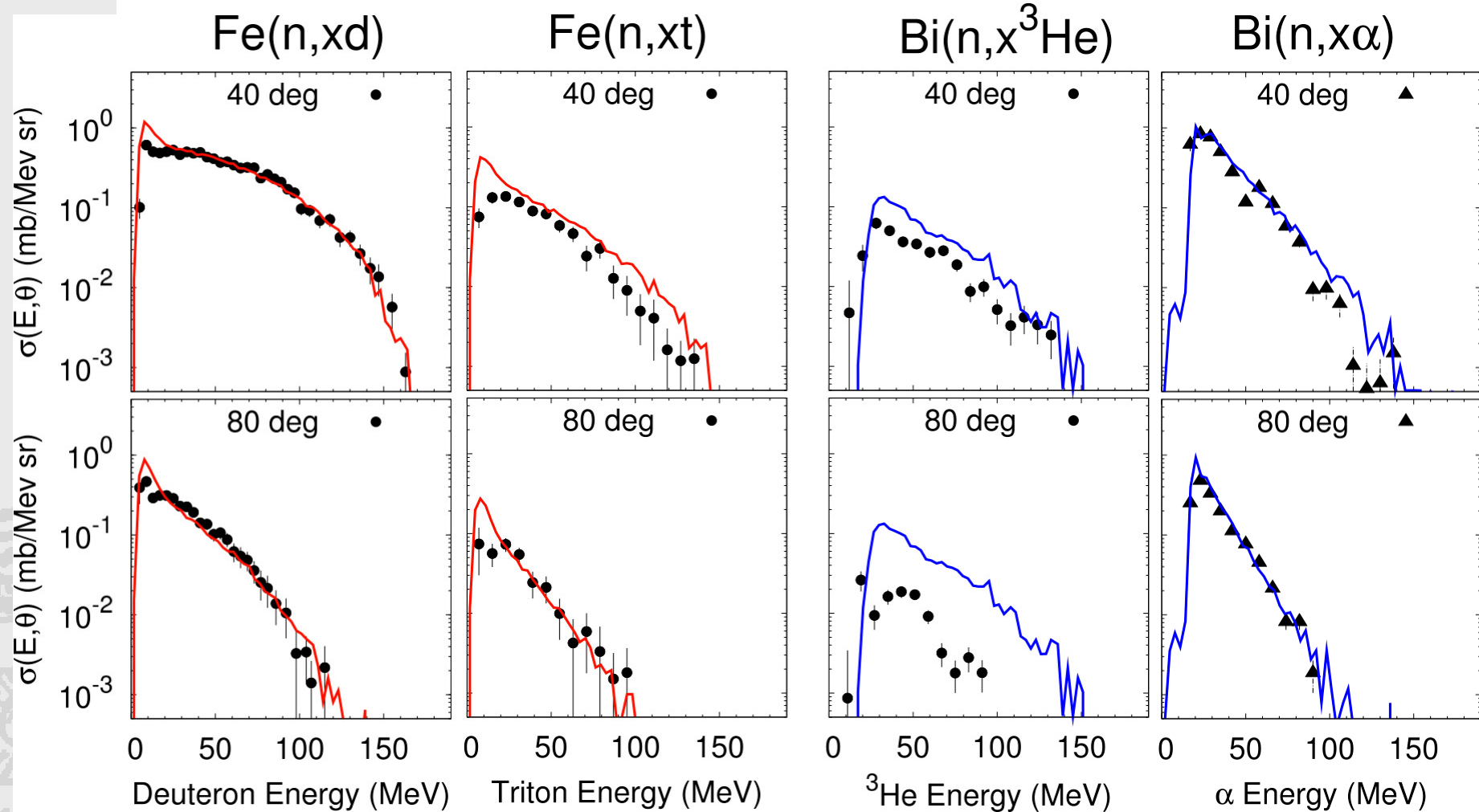
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# INCL4.5-Abla07

- Intranuclear cascade model
- Abla de-excitation model

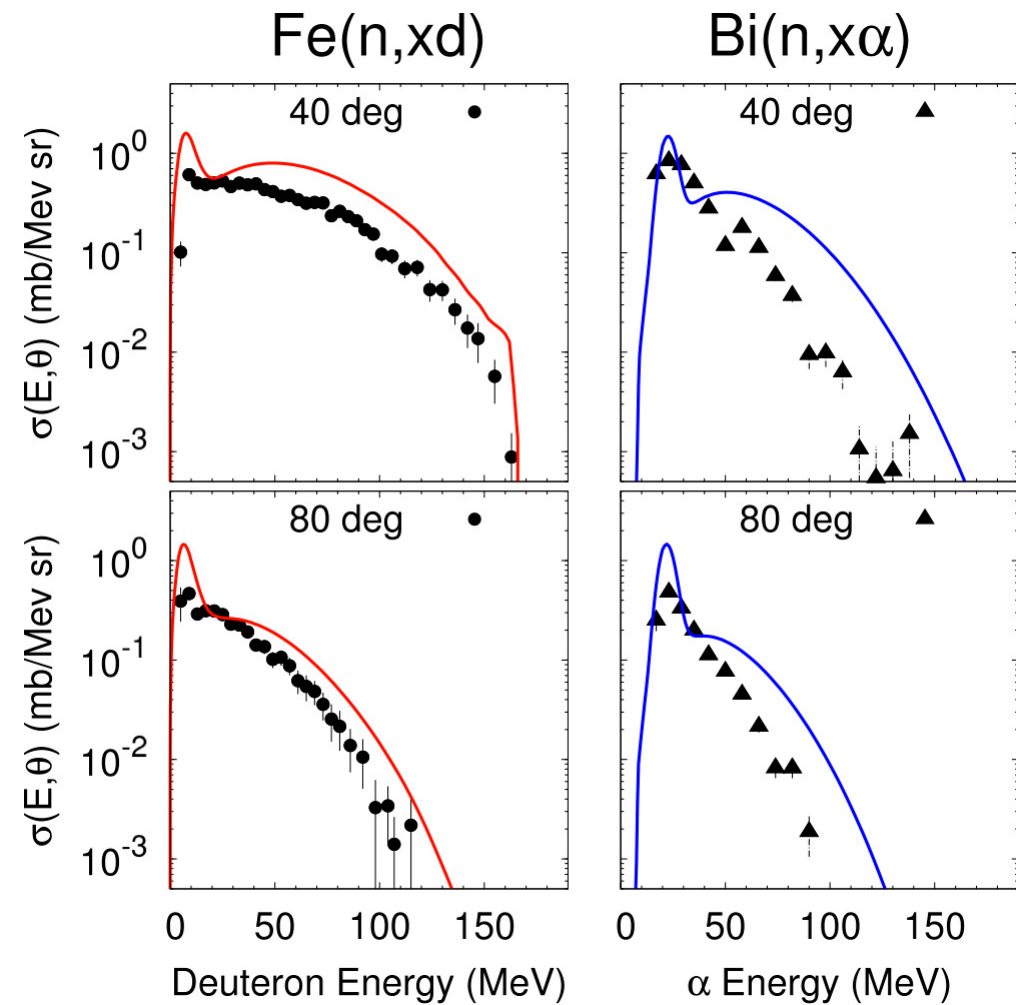




# TALYS-1.2

Pre-equilibrium:

- two component exciton model (EM)
- composite particles direct-like mechanisms (Kalbach systematics)
- nucleon transfer (pick-up)
- knock-out for  $\alpha$  particles



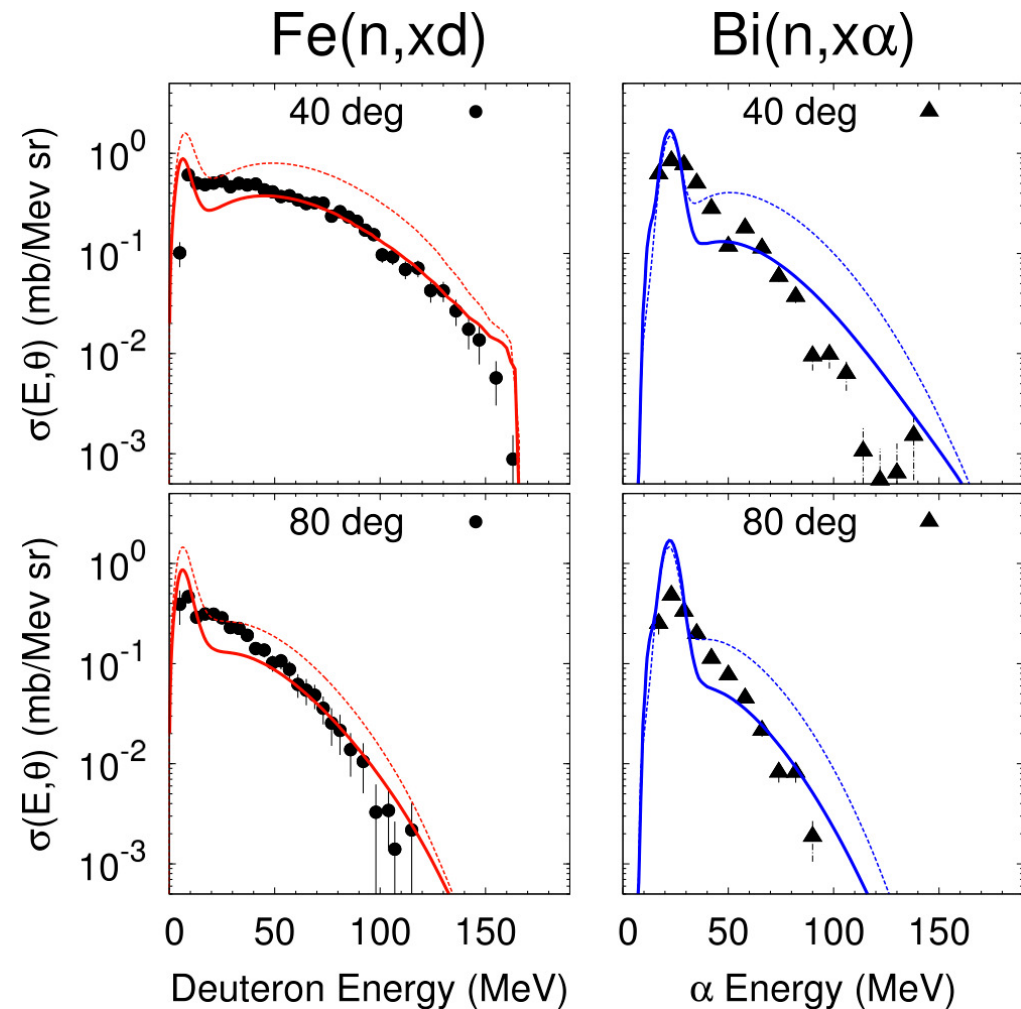


# Modified TALYS-1.2

Scaling down  
the nucleon transfer  
mechanism

Calculations folded  
with QMN spectrum:

energy dependence  
in the scaling factor





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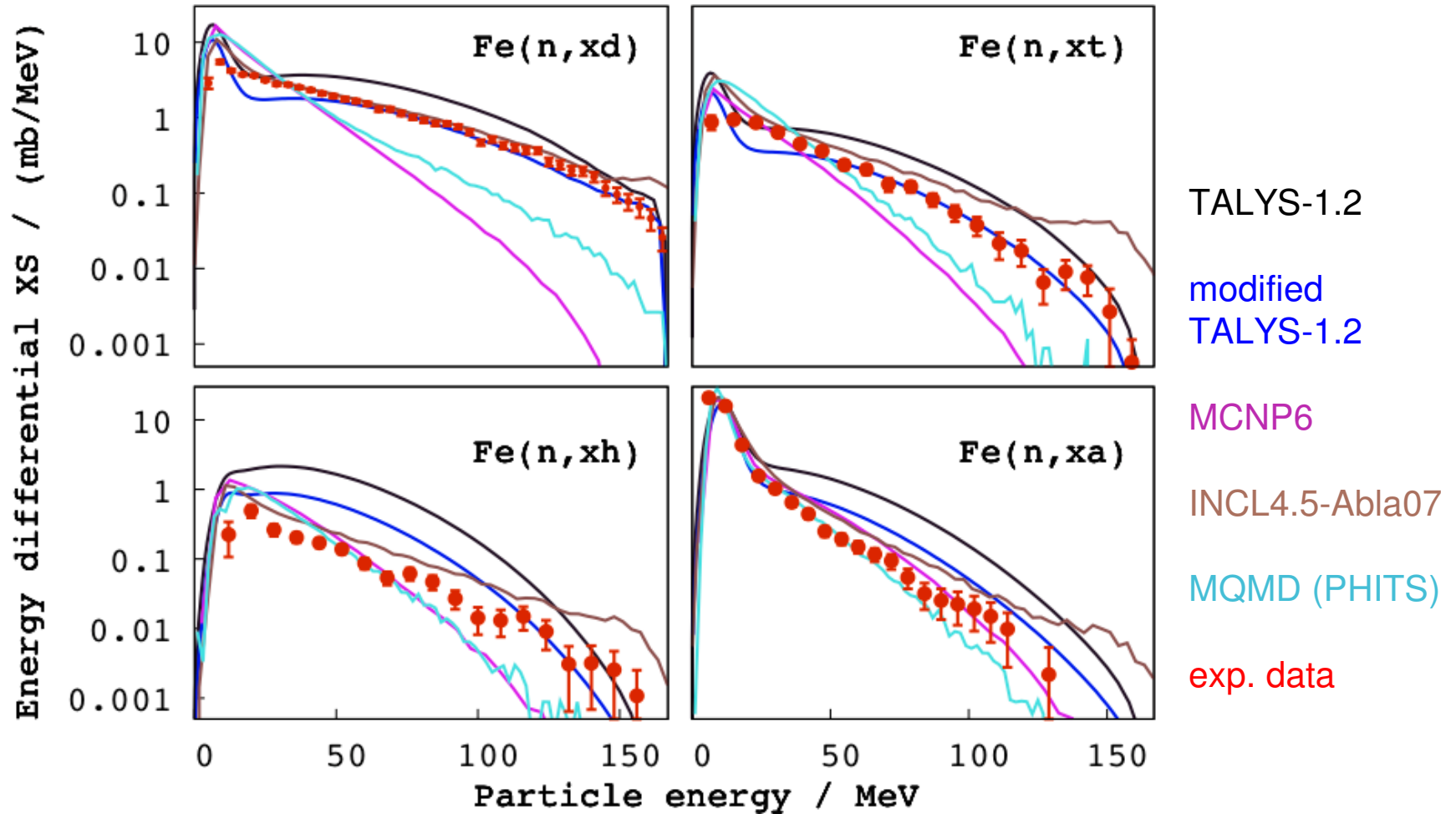


# Light-ion production from Fe

## Energy differential cross sections



"All together now"



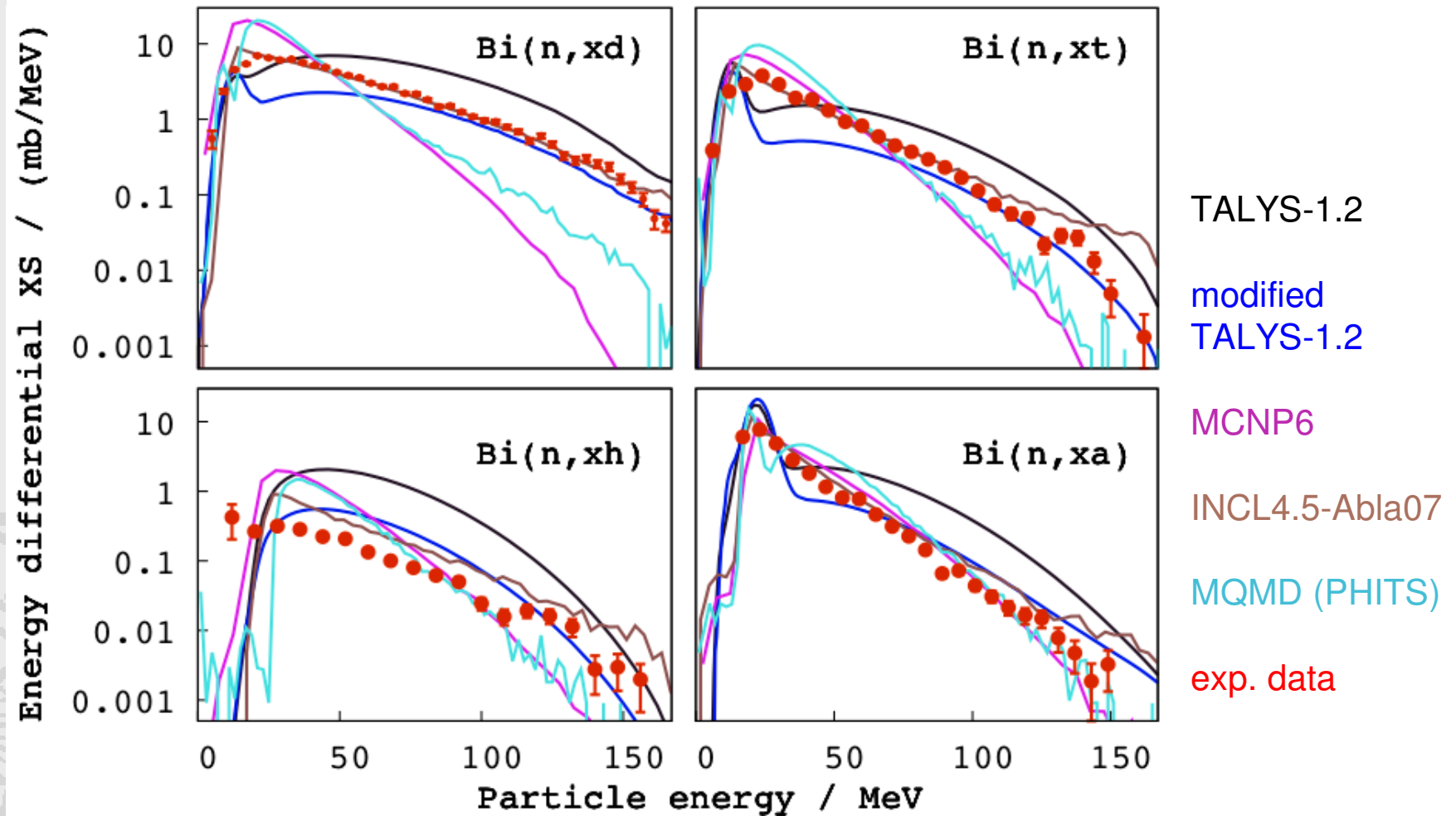


# Light-ion production from Bi

## Energy differential cross sections



"All together now"





# Conclusions

- We have measured light ion production at 175 MeV QMN for O, Si, Fe, Bi (also C and U, not shown in this talk).
- Double differential cross sections for O, Si, Fe, Bi and
- Energy differential cross sections for Fe and Bi.
- Compared with model calculations.
- Pre-equilibrium emission of composite light-ions is the most critical issue at these energies.
- More work is required to fully reproduce all experimental results.

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# Thank you for your attention!

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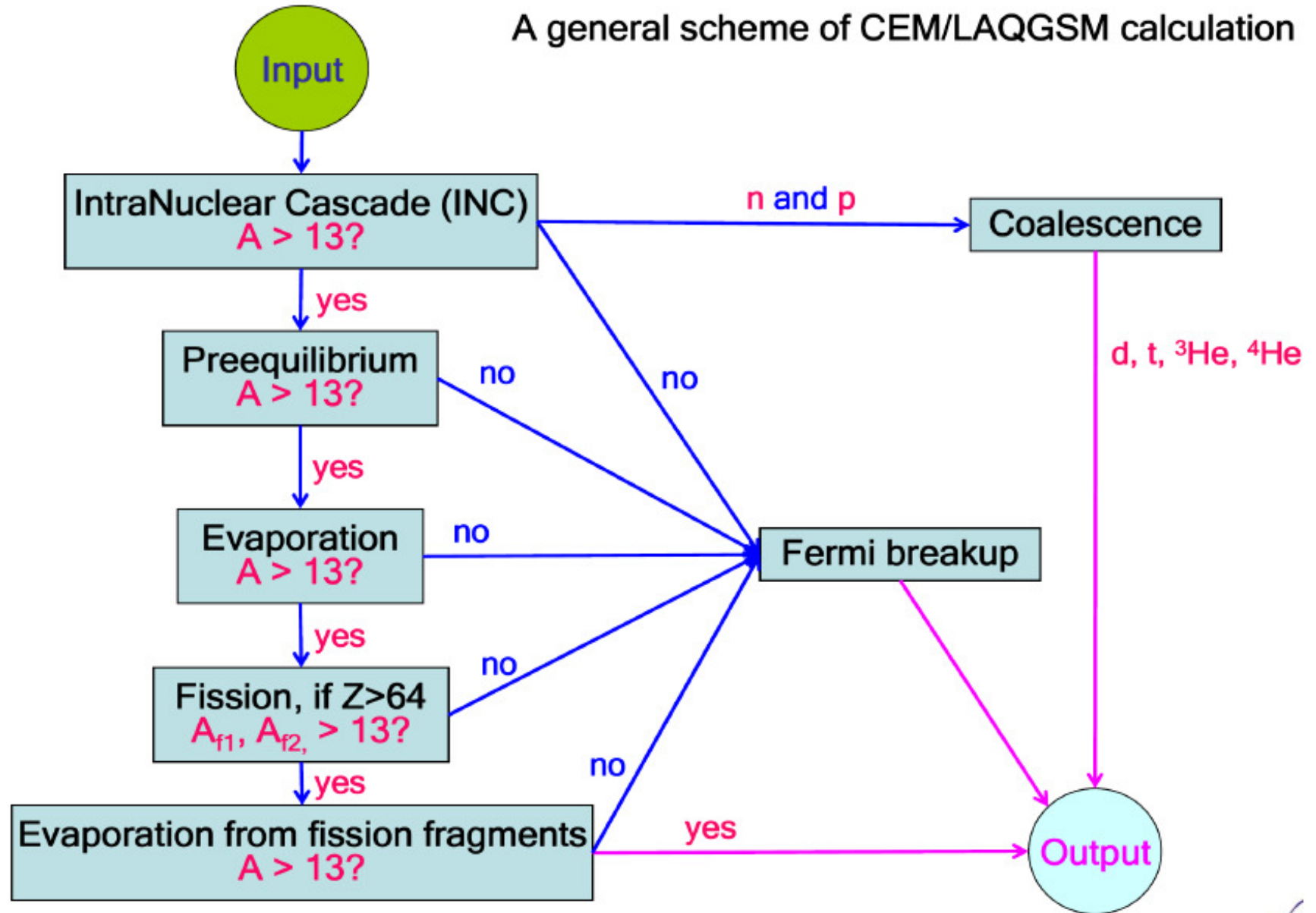


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# A general scheme of CEM/LAQGSM calculation



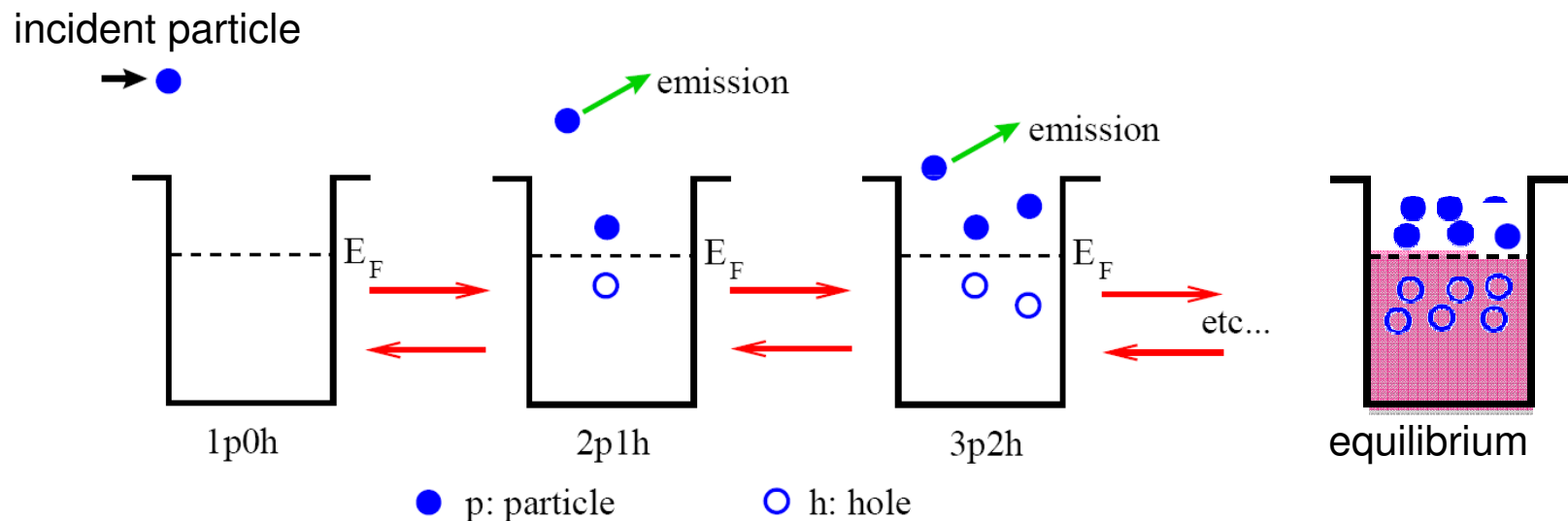


# Pre-equilibrium emission: Exciton Model

Time evolution of the occupation probability  
of n-exciton state in the energy space  
exciton = particle-hole pair

Projectile energy gradually redistributed among nucleons

Allows emission of particles





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## Preequilibrium reactions with complex particle channels

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(Received 10 November 2004; published 22 March 2005)

**Neutron induced  
reactions  $\leq 63$  MeV**

Investigations of nucleon induced reactions at incident energies of 14–90 MeV resulting in the emission of complex particles ( $A = 2-4$ ) have provided insights which complement those previously obtained from ( $N, xN$ ) reactions. The description of the preequilibrium energy spectra required modifications to an earlier phenomenological model for direct pickup reactions. This model supplements the usual exciton preequilibrium model. Work on complex particle induced reactions confirms some of these results, extends them to include stripping and exchange reactions, and provides evidence for a projectile dependence of the average effective matrix elements for the residual interactions in the exciton model. A full description of reactions with complex projectiles will require the inclusion of a realistic breakup component and the resulting reduction of the cross section available for the exciton model calculations. Reactions with complex particles in the entrance and/or exit channels have provided indirect evidence for the amount of surface peaking of the initial target-projectile interaction. A summary of additional data needed to help resolve remaining questions is presented.

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# TALYS pre-equilibrium

## Direct-like reactions not included in the Exciton Model:

nucleon transfer (NT): pick-up and stripping  
knock-out (KO) of preformed clusters

## Kalbach phenomenological model

pre-equilibrium reactions with complex particle channels

C. Kalbach, Phys. Rev. C 37, 2350 (1998), Phys. Rev. C 71, 034606 (2005)

$$\frac{d\sigma_k^{\text{PE}}}{dE_k} = \frac{d\sigma_k^{\text{EM}}}{dE_k} + \frac{d\sigma_k^{\text{NT}}}{dE_k} + \frac{d\sigma_k^{\text{KO}}}{dE_k}$$





# Energy dependence scaling of Nucleon Transfer in TALYS

$$cstrip = \begin{cases} 1.0 & \text{if } E \leq 90 \text{ MeV} \\ 1.9 - \frac{E}{100 \text{ MeV}} & \text{if } 90 \text{ MeV} \leq E \leq 180 \text{ MeV} \\ 0.1 & \text{if } 180 \text{ MeV} \leq E \end{cases}$$



Absolute double-differential cross-sections  $\sigma_x$ , for a reaction target  $x$  and a given light-ion, are obtained from net counts  $N_x$ , applying the following expression:

$$\frac{\sigma_x}{N_x} = \frac{\sigma_H}{I_H} \frac{2A_x}{A_{CH_2}} \frac{m_{CH_2}}{m_x} \frac{\Phi_{CH_2}}{\Phi_x} \frac{\Omega_{CH_2}}{\Omega_x} \frac{1}{\Delta E} \quad (3.5)$$

where  $A_x$  and  $A_{CH_x}$  are respectively the atomic weight of the reaction target and of the  $CH_2$  target,  $m_x$  and  $m_{CH_2}$  are the target masses,  $\Phi_x$  and  $\Phi_{CH_2}$  are the neutron fluences measured with one of the neutron monitors,  $\Omega_{CH_2}/\Omega_x$  is the ratio between the solid angle seen by the telescope at 20 degrees and the telescope used for the measurement, and  $\Delta E$  is the energy bin width.