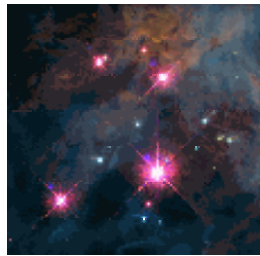


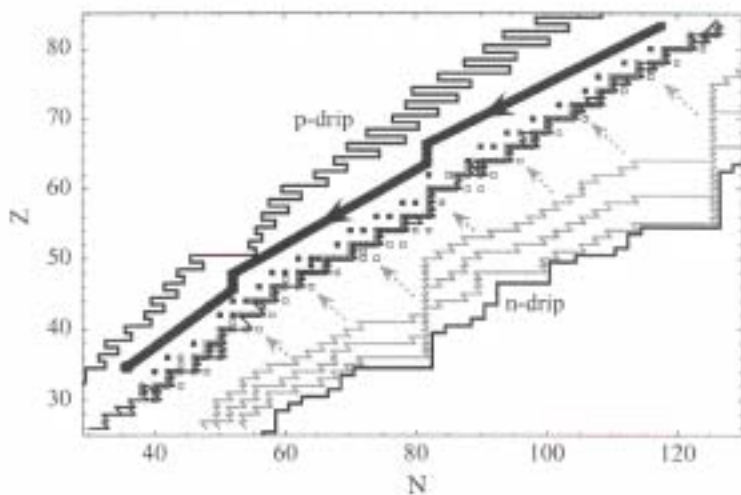
Reaction modeling and evaluation for astrophysics



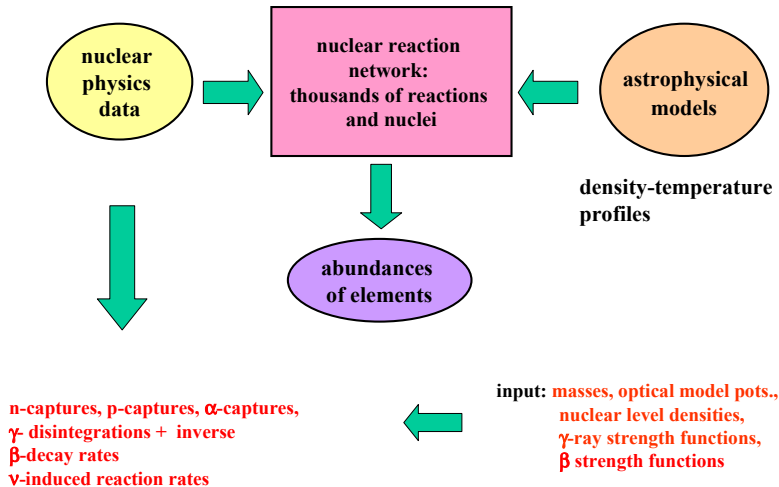
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Nuclear astrophysics



GLOBAL models for Large-Scale Calculations

Nuclear Astrophysics Data

BRUSLIB: the Brussels Nuclear Library for Astrophysics Applications

■ NACRE: The European Nuclear Astrophysics Compilation of Reaction Rates ($A < 30$)

- Nuclear level densities – (energy and spin dependence)
- Hauser-Feshbach rates – (n-, p-, α -captures)
- β -decay properties – (β -decay properties)
- Masses – nuclear structure (deformations, charge radii, masses, fission barriers)
- Partition functions – (Nuclear Partition Functions)

Microscopic Models

- masses

HF-BCS 2001 (738 keV)

HFB 2002 (660 keV)

*(using Skyrme-type + δ -pairing force
fitted to 2000 masses)*

- nuclear level densities

HF-BCS 2001

(g.s. deformation: renormalized to low-lying states and s-neutron spacings)

- γ -strengths

HF-QRPA 2002 (300 keV)

*(using Skyrme force+spherical QRPA
HF-BCS and HFB method)*

- optical model potentials

N: Jeukenne et al., 1977

Bauge et al., 2001

*(nuclear matter+effective M3Y force+LDA
fitted to extended data base)*

- fission barriers

ETFSI 2001

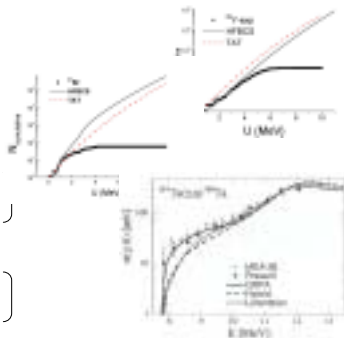
HFB 2003

*(3-dimensional energy surface $\{Q, O, H\}$
+ flooding method)*

- β -decay strengths

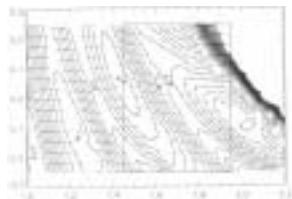
ETFSI-cQRPA

*(694 spherical and slightly deformed
short-lived nuclei from Fe to U)*



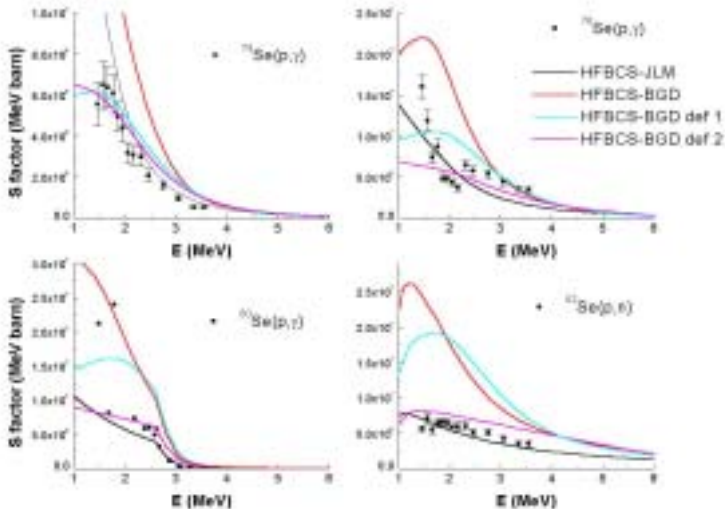
α : Demetriou et al., 2002

*(double-folding real part + Fermi-type
energy-dependent imaginary)*



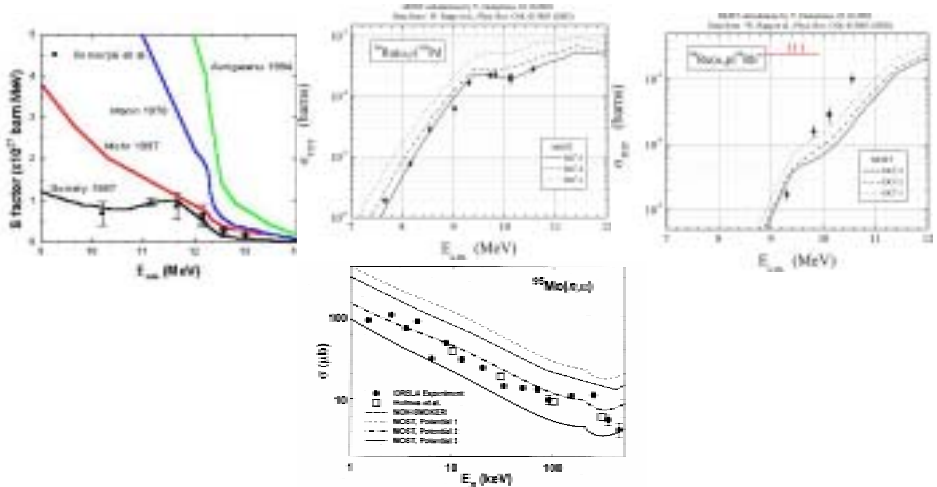
Nucleon Optical Model Potential

- Bauge, Delaroche, Girod, PRC 64 (2001) – up to 200 MeV
 $JLM + Improved\ LDA + (\lambda_V(E), \lambda_W(E), \lambda_{V1}(E), \lambda_{W1}(E))$



α- Optical Model Potential

- Real part : Double- folding (Kobos et al. 1984)
- Imaginary part W: Woods-Saxon $W = W(E) / (1 + \exp((r - r_W)/a_W))$
Fermi-type energy dependence $W(E) = J_0 / (1 + \exp(E^* - E)/a^*)$



Fission

- fission barriers (flooding method on PES)

(large scale calculations) **ETFSI (SkSC4 force)**

- ▼ mass tables (Aboussir et al 1995; RIPL2 2002)
- ▲ fission barriers (Mamdouh et al 2001; RIPL2 2002)



HFB (BSk8 force)

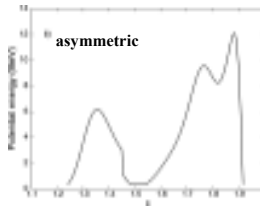
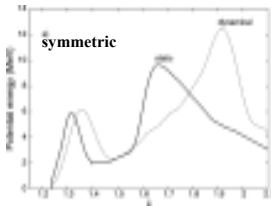
+ particle-number projection

- ▼ mass tables (2000 nuclei, rms=660 keV, Goriely et al 2002)
- ▲ fission barriers (Samyn et al 2003)

	B_{inner} (MeV)	$B_{\text{outer}}(\text{sym})$ (MeV)	$B_{\text{outer}}(\text{asym})$ (MeV)
^{240}Pu	5.9 (5.8)	9.6	5.9 (5.45)
^{246}Cm	6.0 (6.0)	7.5	5.3 (4.8)
^{252}Cf	6.7 (5.3)	6.2	4.4 (3.5)

- spontaneous fission

- **dynamical calculations** (WKB+least action principle)



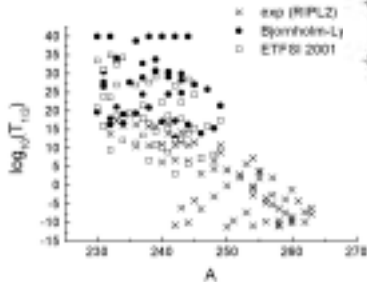
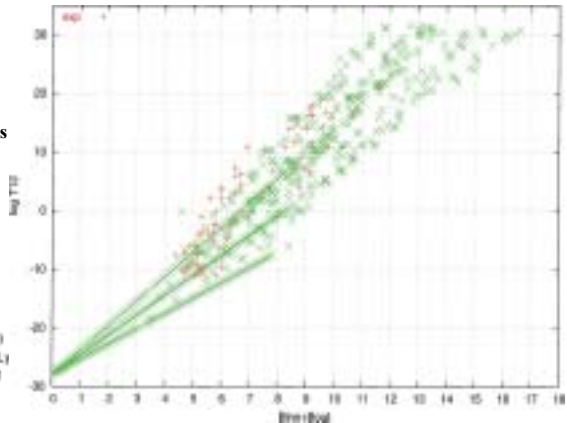
^{240}Pu	B_{inner} (MeV)	B_{outer} (MeV)	$T_{\text{sf}}(\text{yr})$
sym.	6.2	12.4	$1.9 \cdot 10^{15}$
asym.	6.2	9.5	$7.8 \cdot 10^{13}$
HW	5.9	5.9	$2 \cdot 10^{14}$

- large-scale calculations of SF $T_{1/2}$

Hill-Wheeler formula+

ETFSI barrier heights+

Bjornholm & Lynn '80 barrier widths



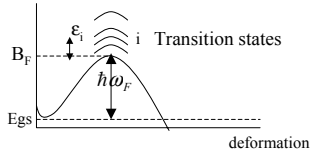
■ n-induced reaction rates

T_f : fission transmission coefficient

1. single-humped barrier $B_F : E_x = E_{inc} + S_N$

- **Hill-Wheeler formula**

$$T_F' = \sum_{i=1} \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left\{\frac{2\pi}{\hbar\omega_F}(E_x - B_F - \varepsilon_i)\right\}} + \int \rho^F(\varepsilon, J) \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left\{\frac{2\pi}{\hbar\omega_F}(E_x - B_F - \varepsilon)\right\}} d\varepsilon$$



transition states i : where exp.data exist (RIPL2) !!!

2. double-humped barrier (A,B) $T_{eff} = \frac{T_A T_B}{T_A + T_B}$

3. **subbarrier effects:** $E_x < \max(B_A, B_B)$

- **picket fence model** (Lynn & Back 74)

$$\frac{T_F}{T_{tot}} = \left\{ 1 + \left(\frac{T_n + T_\gamma}{T_{eff}} \right)^2 + 2 \left(\frac{T_n + T_\gamma}{T_{eff}} \right) \coth \left[\frac{1}{2} (T_A + T_B) \right] \right\}^{-1/2}$$

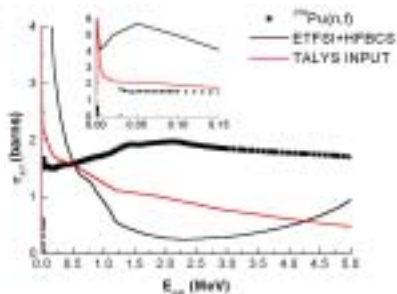
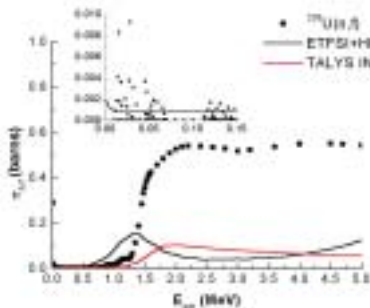
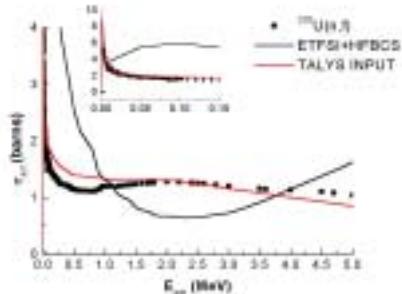
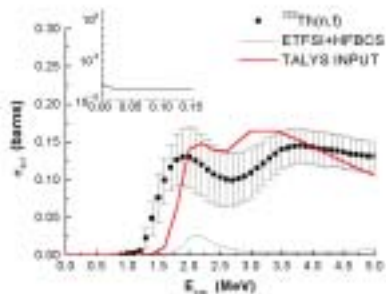
ETFSI 2001 $\leftarrow B_{A,B}$: barrier heights
(RIPL2)

$\hbar\omega_{A,B}$: barrier widths $\rightarrow$ **Bjornholm & Lynn (1980)**

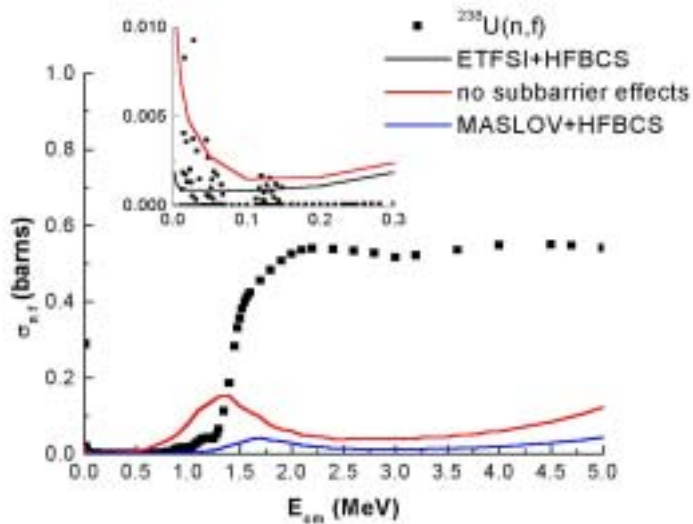
$\rho^F(\varepsilon, J)$: density of transition states at saddle-point deformation



s.p. level scheme at saddle-point deformation from constrained HF-BCS
no damping of collective states (RIPL2)
consistent with g.s. densities



sensitivity to barrier heights+subbarrier effects



astrophysical applications : r-process

- relevant nuclei: $A > 209$ and up to n-dripline

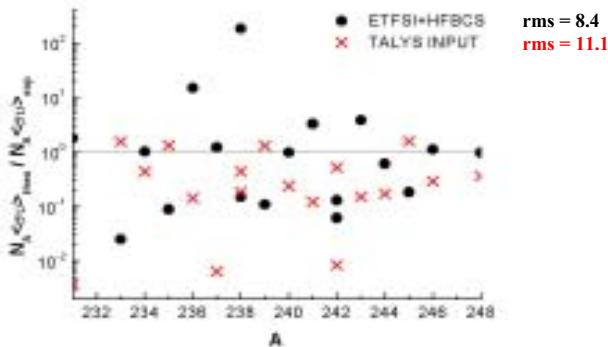
↳ global predictions of (n,f) cross sections

- relevant temperature : $T \cong 1.5\text{-}2 \times 10^9 \text{ K}$ or energies 100-150 keV

↳ relevant quantities: Maxwellian averaged cross sections $N_A \langle \sigma v \rangle$ at T

↳ Comparison for **actinides**: experimental data (EXFOR)

TALYS input (Maslov barriers +Gilbert-Cameron NLD)



Present & Future Work on Microscopic Models for astrophysical applications

- **nuclear structure** : investigation of various Skyrme forces (effective mass, contact pairing force) with the aim of reproducing masses and fission barriers
- **optical model pots**: improvement of global microscopic OMPs by including deformation test E-dependence of global α -optical potentials
- **nuclear level densities**: at saddle-point deformations obviously need to be revisited
impact of *vibrational enhancement*+*rotational enhancement*+*pairing force* are currently under study
- **fission properties**: obtain barrier widths as well as barrier heights from potential energy surfaces
extend *dynamical* approach to large-scale calculations
- **beta-decay**: include deformation in QRPA calculations

NEEDS: more and more accurate and reliable data