



GANIL E710 (C. MICHELAGNOLI ET AL) UNDERSTANDING COSMIC ABUNDANCE OF ²²NA

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Astrophysical context : Novae

Nova = white dwarf (WD) star accreting matter from red giant

Thermonuclear events at WD surface

Novae model uncertainties

- Amount of admixed WD material with accreted matter
- Total ejected mass





Impact

- Abundances of nuclei
- Test of Nova models
- Isotopic anomaly presolar grains in meteorites
- Excess of ²²Ne in the galactic cosmic rays
- Number of supernovae SNIa (dark energy)



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 $^{22}\text{Na}\ \text{E}_{\gamma}$ = 1.275 MeV has never been observed

ONe novae : synthesis of radioactive nuclei 22 Na τ =2.6yr

- Transparent to thermonuclear medium
- Space correlation with Nova



Destruction reaction ²²Na(p, γ)²³Mg



Resonant reaction = Breit Wigner cross section => nuclear reaction rate linear to ωy resonance strength

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle_{total} = \Sigma_{resonance} \left(\frac{2\pi}{\mu_{(2^2Na,p)} k_B T} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} * \hbar^2 * \omega \gamma * \exp\left(-\frac{Er}{k_B T}\right)$$

Direct measurements of $\omega\gamma$ (TRIUMF/Canada experiment ²²Na(p, γ)²³Mg)



GANIL E710 : Experimental setup





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My Nova simulation : heuristic model



NeNaMg nuclear network simulation ($T_{nova} = 0.2$ GK during 20s)



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Thank you for your attention





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 C. Michelagnoli, Thesis (2013)
- (2) Measurements of lifetimes in ²³Mg.
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- A.L Sallaska et al, Physical Review Letters (2010)

Appendice



Astrophysical search for ²²Na line at 1.275 MeV



Gamma spectrum resulting from observation with SPI over 3years (1). The flux represents cumulative emission toward Galatic Center fitted by novae assumed spatial distribution.

- \Rightarrow Line at 1.275 hardly seen : 1.3 10⁻⁵ ph.cm⁻².s⁻¹ (1 σ)
- ⇒ With 1/3 One novae at rate 30 per year, derived ejected mass upper limit 2.5-5.7 10^{-7} M_☉ per outburst

Important issue to tackle : instrument background level high at the energy looked at (activation by Cosmic Rays of aluminium material near detector)

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A. Lifetime vs resonance strength







A. Detectors





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A. Reaction kinematics





A. Coïncidence with ⁴He





First results : AGATA y lines



