

Role of nuclear and electromagnetic
interactions in coherent dissociation
of $3A$ GeV/c relativistic ${}^7\text{Li}$ to ${}^3\text{H} + {}^4\text{He}$

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1. Introduction. Physical motivation of this study.

GeV energy region.

Coulomb and nuclear diffractive interactions.

Classical investigations of the elastic scattering of particles and nuclei are well known.

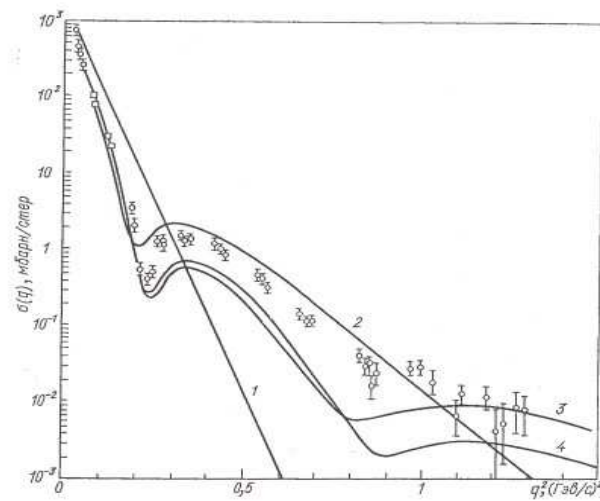
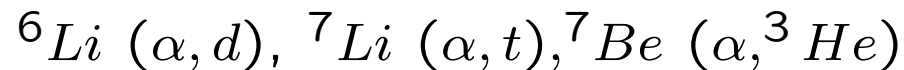


Рис.4. Зависимость дифференциального сечения упругого рассеяния протонов с энергией 1000 Мэв на ядре He^4 от квадрата переданного импульса q^2 [24]:
 1 — соответствует учету только однократного рассеяния (импульсное приближение); 2 — учету однократного и двухкратного рассеяния и т. д.

It is of interest to study the different class nucleus-nucleus collisions leading to the desintegration of projectile. (Pomeranchuk and Feinberg, 1953) Nowadays this field of high energy physics is deeply involved in the research program of BECQUEREL Project, 2008, <http://becquerel.jinr.ru/>. These processes are favourable to separate the Coulomb mechanism and nuclear one suppressed at small momentum transfers Q (where Coulomb interaction is important) due to orthogonality of the initial and final internal states of incident nucleus . The different diffractive pattern is expected in comparison with elastic scattering one.

The simplest process is a coherent two-body breakup of projectile. To avoid a tedious treatment of final nuclear breakup states as a first step it is preferable to take the simple probe projectiles: the deuteron (n,p)

or the lightest 1p-shell nuclei having the dominating two-cluster structure:



Measurements of $d\sigma/dQ$ are not available now for the two-body coherent breakup for these projectiles including deuteron.

2. Experiment and results.

Nuclear photoemulsion BR-2 has been irradiated in the 3A GeV/c ${}^7\text{Li}$ beam by the JINA nuclotron.

The nuclear contents of emulsion:

H— $2.97 \cdot 10^{22}\text{cm}^{-3}$, CNO— $2.85 \cdot 10^{22}\text{cm}^{-3}$, Br— $1.03 \cdot 10^{22}\text{cm}^{-3}$,
Ag— $1.03 \cdot 10^{22}\text{cm}^{-3}$.

Singly and doubly charged particles were easily distinguished visually by the ionization density.

Masses of fragments were determined by the multiple Coulomb scattering method described in M.I. Adamovich *et al.*, J. Phys. G **30**, 1479 (2004), D.A. Artemenkov, thesis, JINA, (2008).

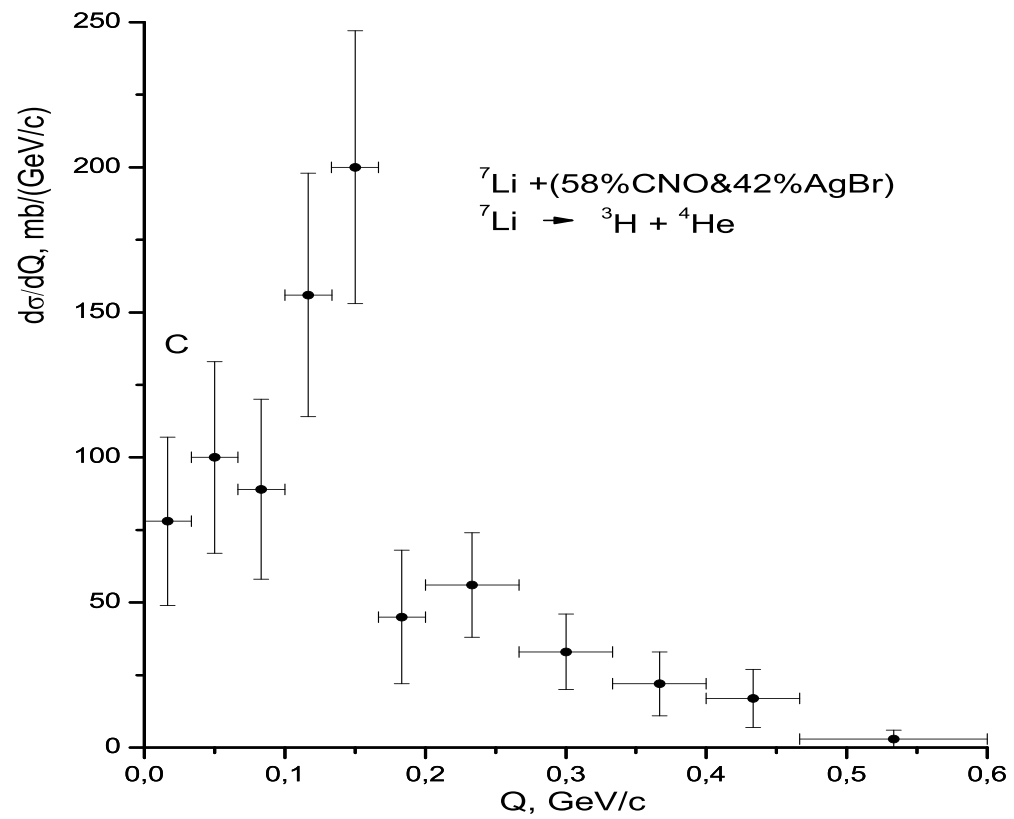
The 3730 inelastic interactions of ${}^7\text{Li}$ were observed and only 85 events of the coherent desintegration of ${}^7\text{Li}$ to ${}^3\text{H}+{}^4\text{He}$ were separated.

The total length of beam tracks for these 85 events is 548.37 m that corresponds to the mean free path 6.5 ± 0.7 m for the reaction considered.

The total cross section averaging over all photoemulsion nuclei is $\sigma = 85 / (5.4837 \cdot 10^4 \text{cm} \cdot 4.91 \cdot 10^{22} \text{cm}^{-3}) = 31 \pm 4$ mb.

The experimental cross section $d\sigma/dQ$ is shown in Fig.1

The accuracy of measurement of Q is about 10 MeV/c.



Ingredients used to treat the experimental data:

1. The current two-cluster model of ${}^7\text{Li}$ for the bound and continuum states

developed by the NPI MSU theoretical group (Neudatchin, Smirnov, Kukulin).

2. The Bertulani-Baur theory (Coulomb breakup of relativistic ${}^7\text{Li}$ to ${}^3\text{H}+{}^4\text{He}$) .

3. Akhieser-Sitenko-Glauber diffractive theory developed in application to two-cluster nuclei by the NPI (Kiev) theoretical group (Evlanov et al.)(Nuclear diffractive breakup of relativistic ${}^7\text{Li}$ to ${}^3\text{H}+{}^4\text{He}$)

(³H,⁴He)-INTERACTION POTENTIAL

$$V(r) = -V_0(1 + \exp[(r - R)/a])^{-1}, \quad V_{so}(r) = -V_1 \mathbf{I} \mathbf{s} \frac{d}{r dr} V(r),$$

$$V_c(r) = \begin{cases} \frac{Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{2R} \left(3 - \frac{r^2}{R^2}\right), & r \leq R \\ \frac{Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{r}, & r > R. \end{cases}$$

This cluster model gives the successful description of the ${}^7\text{Li}$ properties, scattering phases and the two-body photodesintegration data (Dubovichenko, Burkova et al.) with parameters

$$V_{00}=98.5 \text{ MeV}, \quad \Delta V=11.5 \text{ MeV}, \quad R=1.8 \text{ fm}, \quad a=0.7 \text{ fm}, \\ V_0=V_{00}+\Delta V(-1)^{l+1}, \quad V_1=0.015(3+(-1)^{l+1}) \text{ fm}^2.$$

Allowed states: $3P_{3/2}(-2.36 \text{ MeV})$, $3P_{1/2}(-1.59)$.

Forbidden states: $0S_{1/2}(-57.4)$, $2S_{1/2}(-15.9)$, $1P_{3/2}(-34.4)$, $1P_{1/2}(-32.3)$, $2D_{5/2}(-13.7)$, $2D_{3/2}(-11.1)$.

E1-TRANSITIONS: $3P_{3/2} \rightarrow S_{1/2}, D_{3/2}, D_{5/2}$.

$$\frac{d\sigma_c}{dQ} = \frac{32}{9} \left(\frac{Ze^2}{\hbar v} \right)^2 c_d Q R^2 \int_0^\infty \frac{\xi^2}{(\xi^2 + (QR)^2)^2} (I_2^2(k) + \frac{1}{2} I_{0,1/2}^2(k)) (f_1^2 + \frac{1}{\gamma^2} f_0^2) k^2 dk.$$

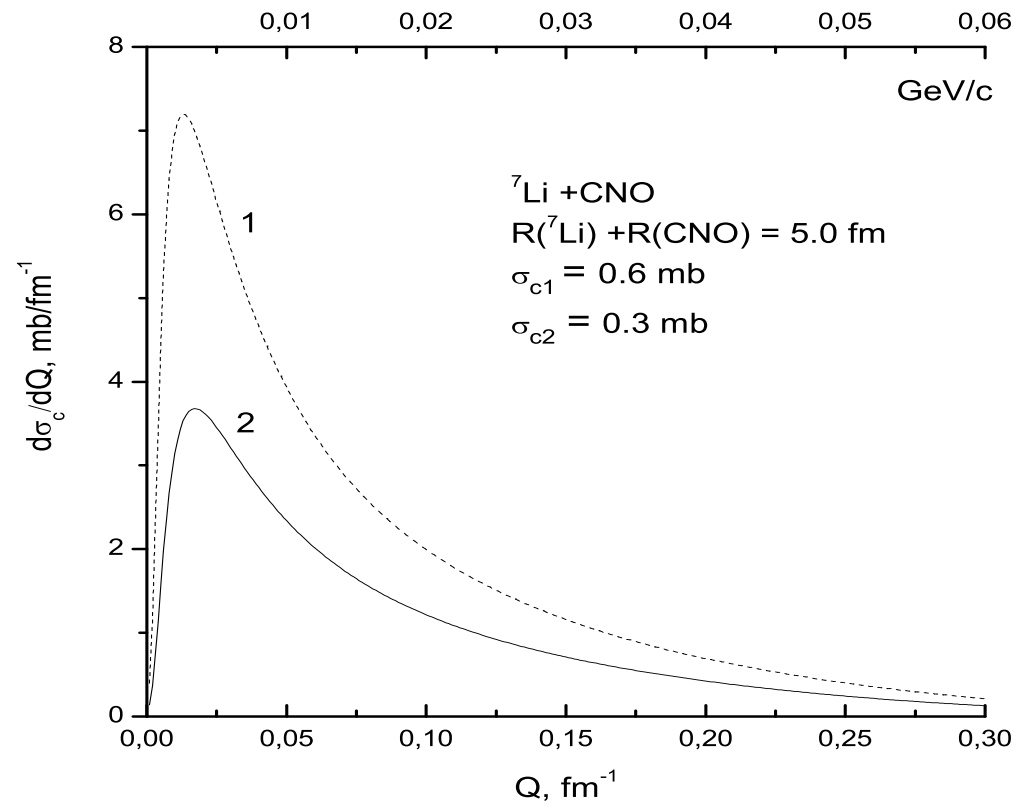
$$f_n = \xi J_n(QR) K_{n+1}(\xi) - QR J_{n+1}(QR) K_n(\xi), \quad I_{l,j}(k) = \int_0^\infty R_{l,j}(k, r) R_i(r) r^3 dr,$$

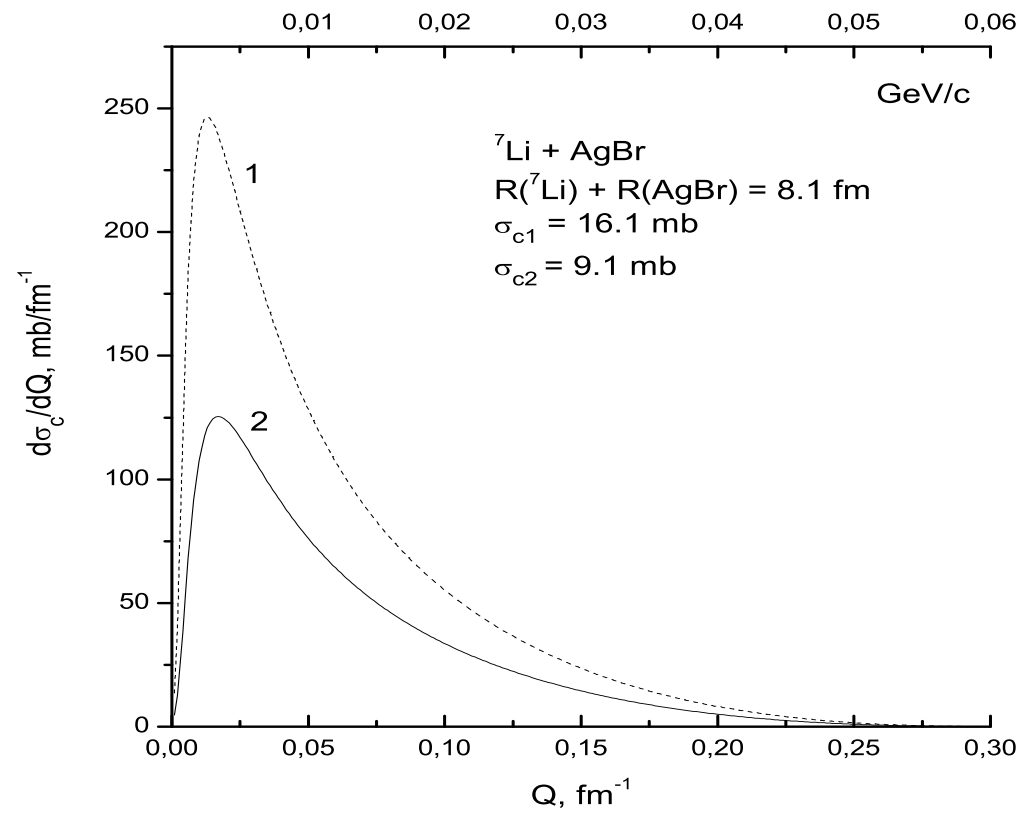
J_n, K_n – the Bessel functions,

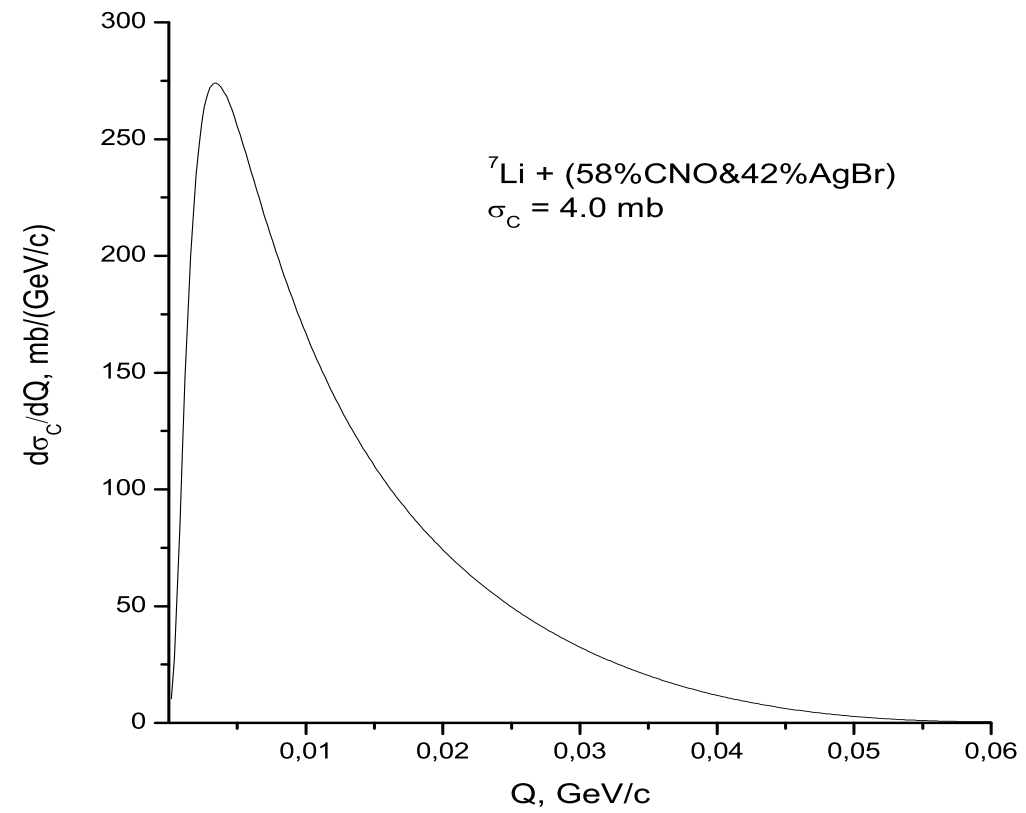
R_i, R_{lj} – the radial wave functions of clusters in ground and continuum state

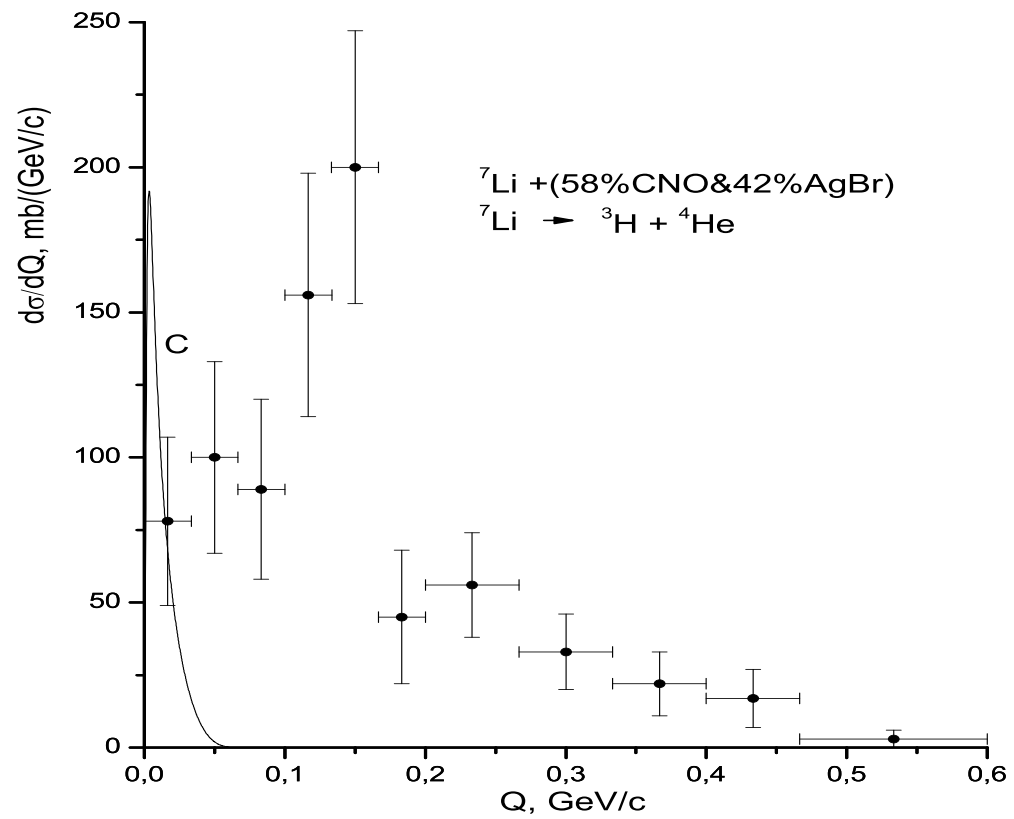
$\gamma = (1 - (v/c)^2)^{-1/2}$, $\xi = (\omega R)/(\gamma v)$, $\omega = E_b + (\hbar k)^2/(2\mu_{at})$.

$c_d = (Z_1\beta_1 - Z_2\beta_2)^2$, $\bar{R} = 5.0 \text{ fm}$, $\bar{Z} = 7(CNO)$; $\bar{R} = 8.1 \text{ fm}$, $\bar{Z} = 41(AgBr)$.









THE DIFFRACTIONAL BREAKUP OF DEUTERON (Akhieser, Sitenko 1955):

$$A_{\mathbf{Q},\mathbf{k}} = \iint \varphi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r})^* \psi_{\mathbf{Q}}(\boldsymbol{\rho})^* \Omega_n \Omega_p \psi_0(\boldsymbol{\rho}) \varphi_0(\mathbf{r}) d\boldsymbol{\rho} d\mathbf{r}$$

$$= - \iint \varphi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r})^* \psi_{\mathbf{Q}}(\boldsymbol{\rho})^* (\omega_n + \omega_p - \omega_n \omega_p) \psi_0(\boldsymbol{\rho}) \varphi_0(\mathbf{r}) d\boldsymbol{\rho} d\mathbf{r}$$

$$A_{\mathbf{Q},\mathbf{k}} = -\frac{2\pi R J_1(QR)}{L^{7/2} Q} \left\{ F\left(\frac{\mathbf{Q}}{2}, \mathbf{k}\right) + F\left(-\frac{\mathbf{Q}}{2}, \mathbf{k}\right) \right\}$$

$$+ \frac{R^2}{L^{7/2}} \int \frac{J_1\left(\left|\frac{\mathbf{Q}}{2} + \mathbf{Q}'\right|R\right) J_1\left(\left|\frac{\mathbf{Q}}{2} - \mathbf{Q}'\right|R\right)}{\left|\frac{\mathbf{Q}}{2} + \mathbf{Q}'\right| \left|\frac{\mathbf{Q}}{2} - \mathbf{Q}'\right|} F(\mathbf{Q}', \mathbf{k}) d\mathbf{Q}',$$

где

$$F(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{k}) = \int \exp(i\mathbf{q}\mathbf{r}) \varphi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r})^* \varphi_0(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}, \quad d\sigma = |A_{\mathbf{Q},\mathbf{k}}|^2 L^2 \frac{L^2 d\mathbf{Q}}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{L^3 d\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3}.$$

For the black nucleus model with a sharp border:

$$\omega(b) = 1 - \Omega(b) \quad (\text{Akhieser, Sitenko 1955,1957}).$$

В теории многократного рассеяния:

$$\omega(b) = 1 - \exp(i\chi(b)) \quad (\text{Glauber 1955}), \text{ where}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \exp(i\chi(b)) = & \langle \psi_{A_1}(\{\mathbf{s}_j\}) \psi_{A_2}(\{\mathbf{s}_i\}) | \times \prod_{j=1}^{A_1} \prod_{i=1}^{A_2} [1 - \Gamma_{ji}(\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{s}_j - \mathbf{s}_i)] \\ & \times \psi_{A_1}(\{\mathbf{s}_j\}) \psi_{A_2}(\{\mathbf{s}_i\}) \rangle, \text{ where} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Gamma_{ji}(\mathbf{b}) = \frac{1}{2\pi i k_{ji}} \int \exp(-i\mathbf{q}\mathbf{b}) f_{ji}(q) d q$$

In the optical limit:

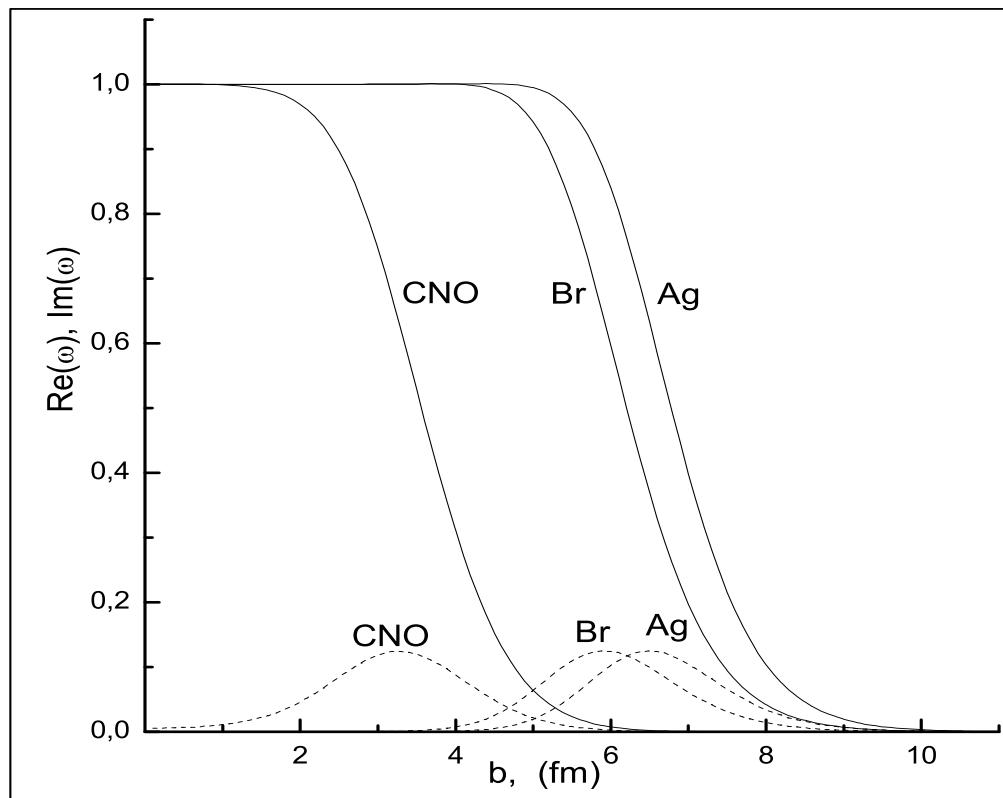
$$i\chi(b) = - \langle \psi_{A_1} \psi_{A_2} | \sum_{j=1}^{A_1} \sum_{i=1}^{A_2} \Gamma_{ji}(\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{s}_j - \mathbf{s}_i) | \psi_{A_1} \psi_{A_2} \rangle .$$

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$$i\chi(b) = -\frac{A_1 A_2 \sigma_N}{8\pi^2} (1 - i\rho) \int \exp(-i\mathbf{q}\mathbf{b} - a_N q^2 / 2) K(q) S_{A_1}(q) S_{A_2}(q) d^2 q,$$

$$\bar{r}_t = 1.70, \bar{r}_\alpha = 1.67, \bar{r}_{CNO} = 2.54, \bar{r}_{Br} = 5.1, \bar{r}_{Ag} = 5.62 \text{ (fm)}.$$

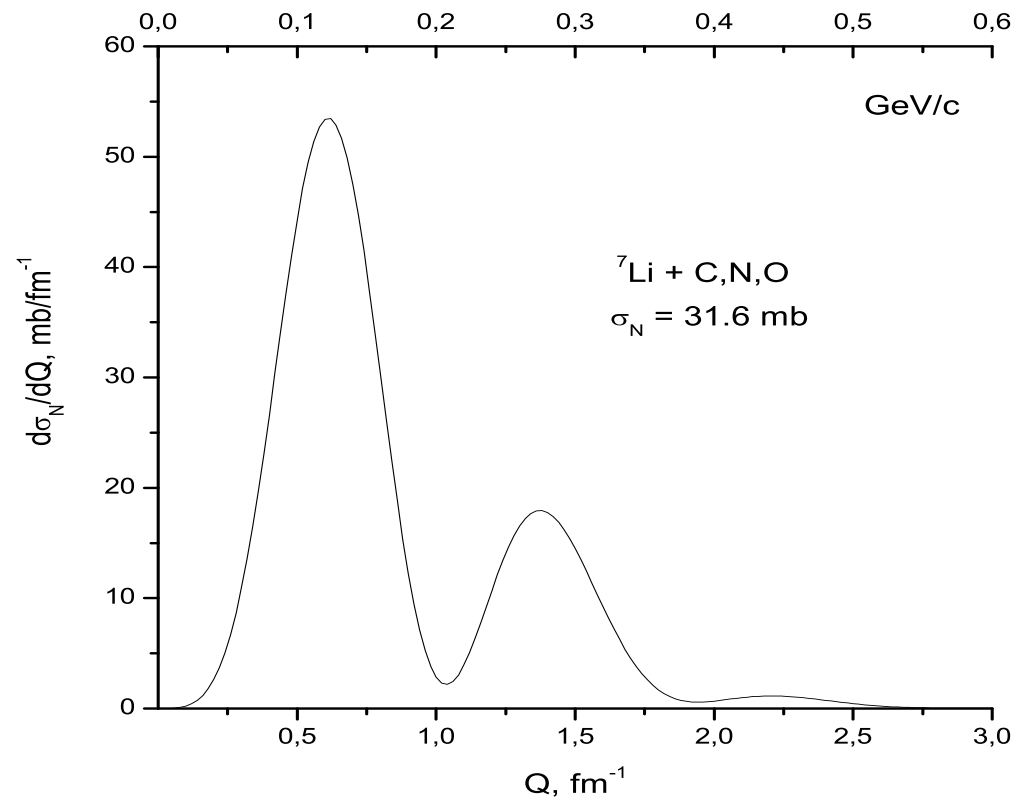
$$\sigma_N = 43.0 \text{ mb}, \rho = -0.35, a_N = 0.242 \text{ fm}^2.$$

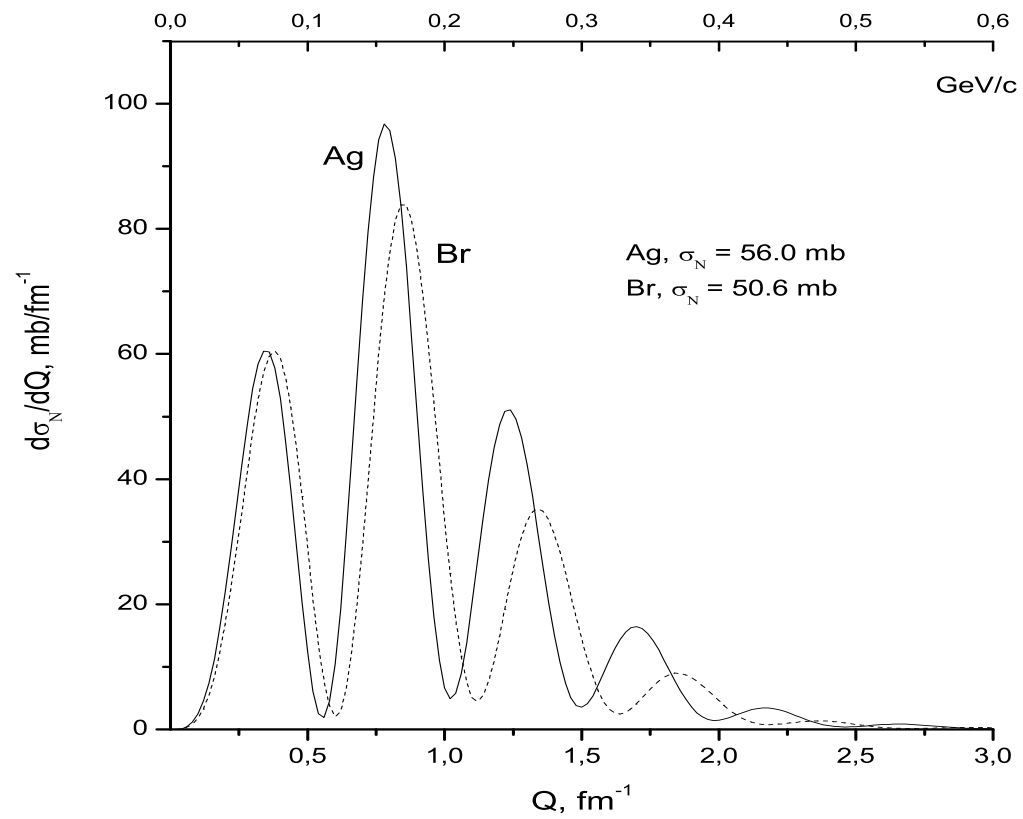


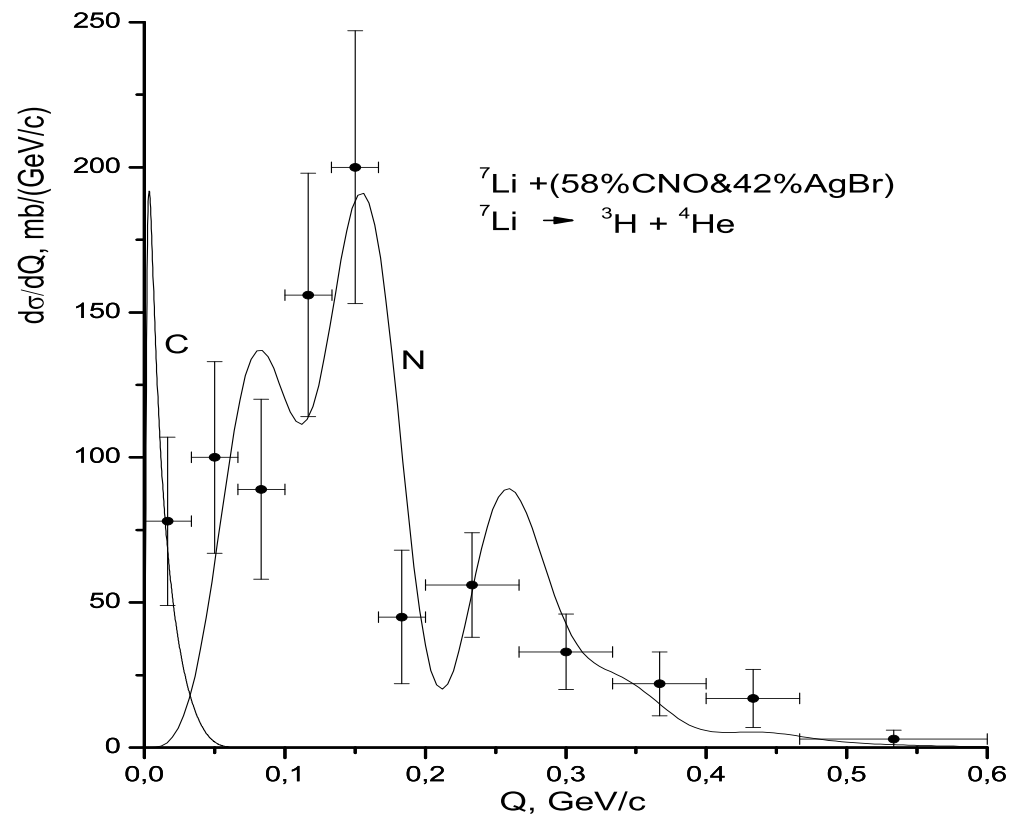
$$\frac{d\sigma_N}{dQ} = A \left(1 + I_0(Q) - \frac{3}{2} \sum_{lj,L} (I_L^{lj}(\beta_1 Q) + (-1)^L I_L^{lj}(\beta_2 Q))^2 (10l0|L0)^2 \times \left\{ \begin{matrix} j & l & 1/2 \\ 1 & 3/2 & L \end{matrix} \right\}^2 \right)$$

$$\frac{A}{4\pi Q} = \left| \int_0^\infty \omega(b) J_0(Qb) b db \right|^2, \quad I_0(q) = \int_0^\infty j_0(qr) R_i^2 r^2 dr,$$

$$I_L^{lj}(q) = \int_0^\infty j_L(qr) R_{lj} R_i r^2 dr$$







sults (column 6) by between 0 and 4%. On the other hand, when these cross sections are calculated using $\chi_1(b)$, the results (column 2) differ from these exact results by between 1 and 18%. Thus, by means of the very simple modification of the usual optical phase shift function we obtain significantly improved results.

If we compare the cross sections presented in columns 5 and 6 with the data shown in column 7, we note that the results are in good qualitative agreement, but that there is room for improvement. We also note that the large discrepancy between theory and experiment for the $^{16}\text{O}-^{12}\text{C}$ cross section¹¹ is reduced considerably by use of a harmonic oscillator wave function and by use of the new first-order optical phase shift function $\chi_1(b)$.

V. ELASTIC SCATTERING ANGULAR DISTRIBUTIONS

In Fig. 1 we show the differential cross section $d\sigma/dt$ as a function of t , the squared four-momentum transfer, for $\alpha-\alpha$ elastic scattering at an incident energy of 2.1 GeV/nucleon. The solid curve is the exact Glauber result. The dashed curve is obtained using the new first-order optical phase shift function $\chi_1(b)$ in Eq. (9). The dotted curve is obtained with the usual first-order optical phase shift function $\chi_1(b)$ in Eq. (12). We note that

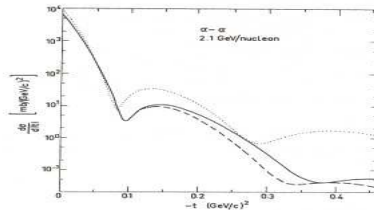


FIG. 1. Differential cross sections for $^4\text{He}-^4\text{He}$ elastic scattering at an incident energy of 2.1 GeV/nucleon as a function of t , the squared four-momentum transfer. The solid curve is the exact Glauber multiple scattering result. The dashed curve is obtained using the new first order optical phase shift function $\chi_1(b)$. The dotted curve is obtained using the usual first order optical phase shift function $\chi_1(b)$.

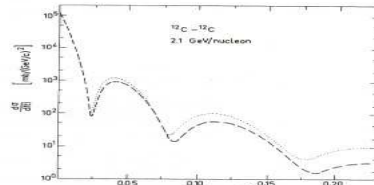
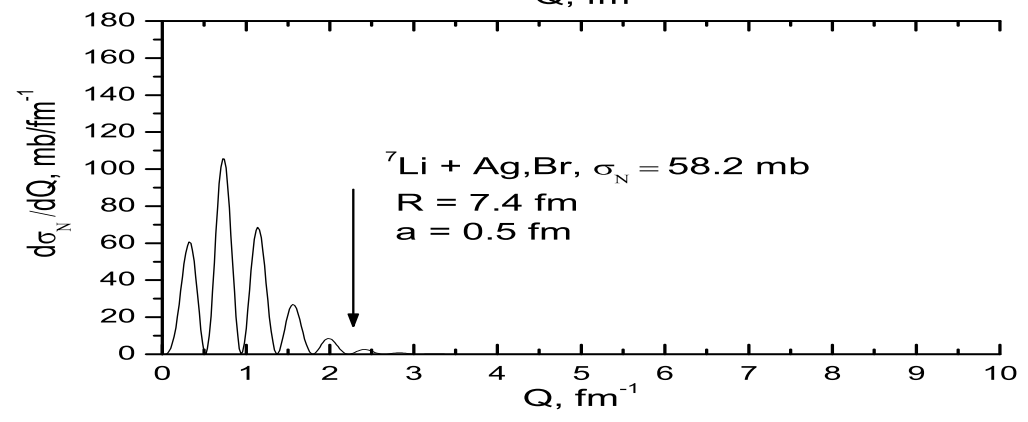
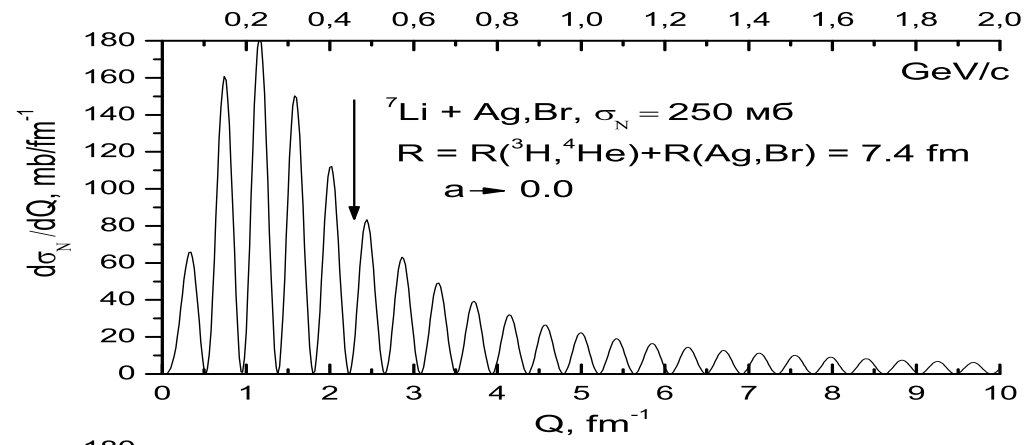


FIG. 2. Differential cross sections for $^{12}\text{C}-^{12}\text{C}$ elastic scattering at an incident energy of 2.1 GeV/nucleon as a function of t . The dashed (dotted) curve is obtained using the new (usual) first order optical phase shift function.

up through the second maximum [$-t = 0.14$ (GeV/c)²] the results obtained with the new optical phase shift function $\chi_1(b)$ are very close to the exact Glauber results, whereas the results obtained with the usual optical phase shift function $\chi_1(b)$ differ from the exact Glauber results by as much as a factor of 5. At large momentum transfers (not shown) the cross section obtained with $\chi_1(b)$ increases, whereas the exact cross section and that obtained with $\chi_1(b)$ continue to decrease. The cross section obtained with $\chi_1(b)$ attains an absolute minimum of ~ 0.1 mb/(GeV/c)² at $-t = 1.2$ (GeV/c)². Beyond this value of t the cross section rises and, after a very shallow relative minimum of ~ 0.4 mb/(GeV/c)² at $-t = 1.8$ (GeV/c)², it rises monotonically.

In Fig. 2 we show the differential cross section for $^{12}\text{C}-^{12}\text{C}$ elastic scattering at 2.1 GeV/nucleon. The dashed curve is obtained using the new first-order optical phase shift function $\chi_1(b)$ in Eq. (9). The dotted curve is obtained with the usual first-order optical phase shift function $\chi_1(b)$ in Eq. (12). Harmonic oscillator wave functions were used. As expected, the center-of-mass effects are smaller for this heavier system than they were for $\alpha-\alpha$ scattering. Nevertheless, one still observes differences of a factor of ~ 2 near the first minimum [$-t = 0.026$ (GeV/c)²], and beyond the second minimum [$-t = 0.085$ (GeV/c)²], and a factor of ~ 3 beyond the third minimum [$-t = 0.18$ (GeV/c)²]. The difference increases markedly at larger momentum transfers (not shown). At very large momentum transfers the cross section obtained with the usual optical phase shift function χ_1 increases.



CONCLUSIONS:

Coherent dissociation of relativistic nuclei ${}^7\text{Li}$ at the momentum of $3A \text{ GeV}/c$ to ${}^3\text{H} + {}^4\text{He}$ was studied by the photoemulsion technique.

Results on the total ($31 \pm 4 \text{ mb}$) and differential vs the momentum transfer Q cross sections are presented.

The shape of this cross section differs from usual shapes of elastic scattering cross sections.

The observed Q -dependence of cross section is interpreted within the cluster model and the Akhieser-Sitenko-Glauber approach mainly as the superposition of two individual nuclear diffractive patterns from light (C,N,O) and heavy (Br, Ag) nuclei.

The contributions to cross section due to the electromagnetic (the Bertulani-Baur theory) and nuclear interactions are well separated in the variable Q . Calculated values are correspondingly 4 mb ($Q \leq 50 \text{ MeV}/c$) and 40.7 mb ($Q \leq 400 \text{ MeV}/c$).

Counter technique experiments on pure targets to observe the predicted cross section oscillations are desirable.