

# Hadronic Physics II

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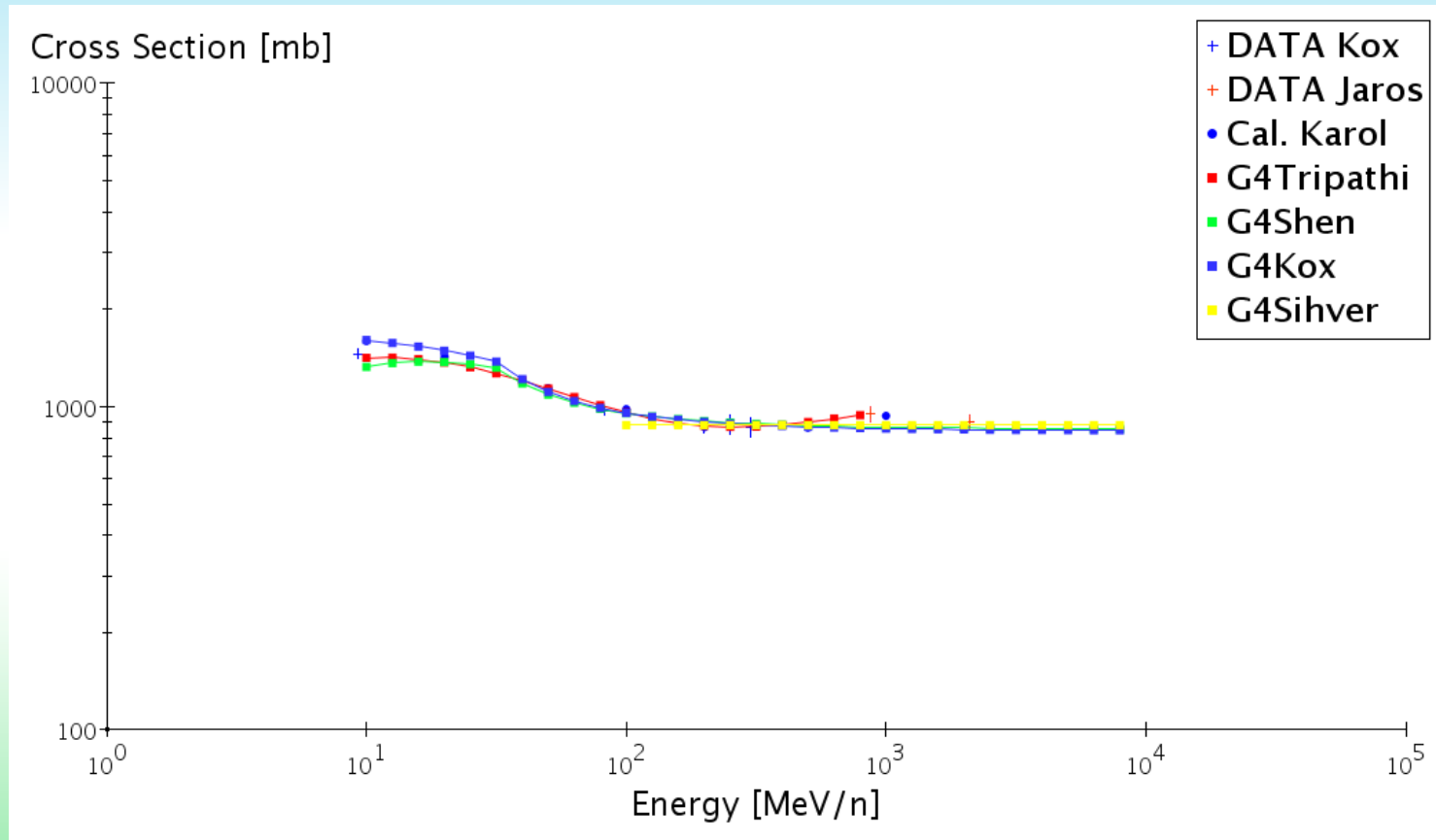
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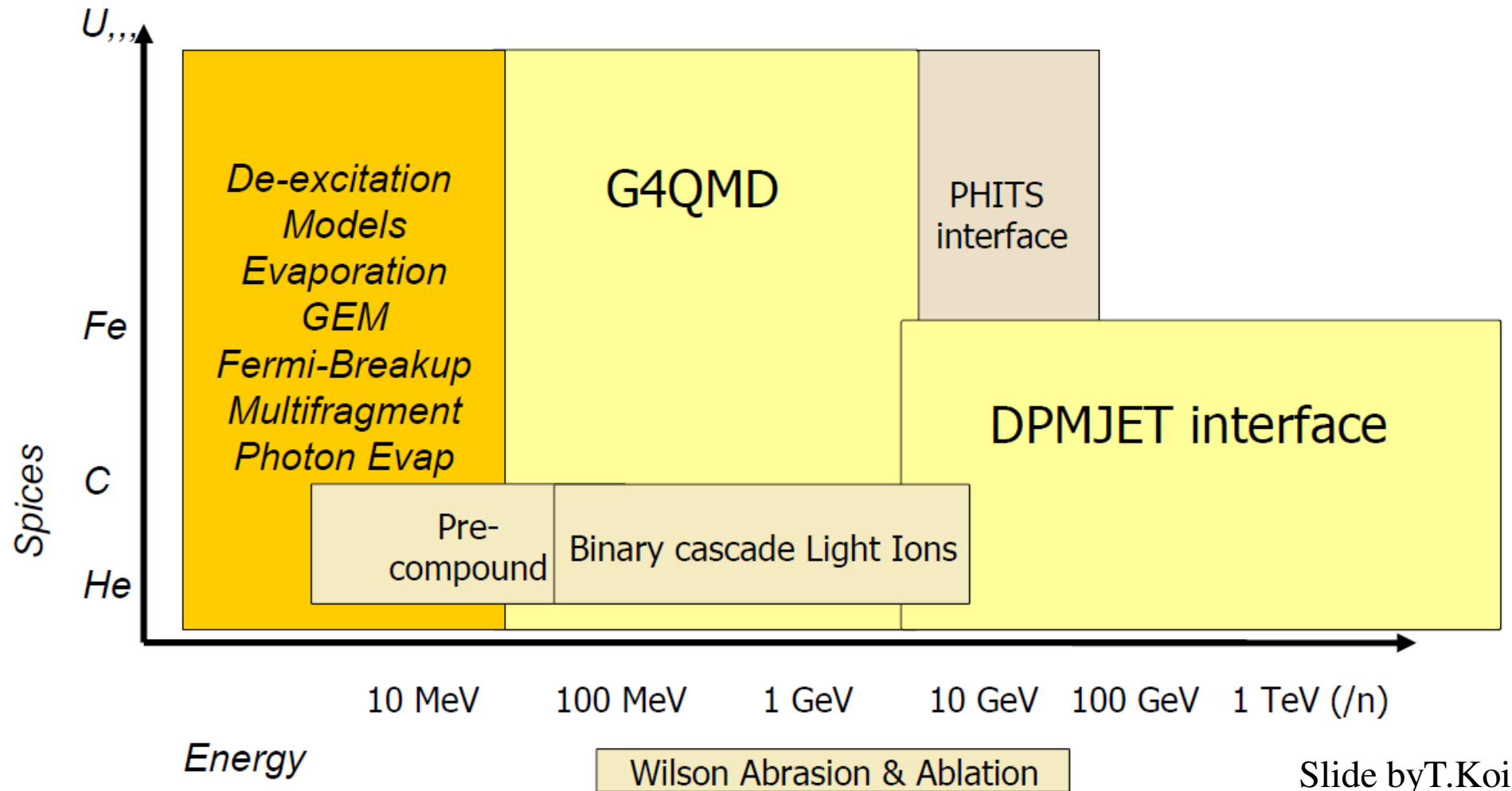
# Ion Interactions

- Inelastic Nucleus nucleus
  - Cross sections
    - Parameterisations from Tripathi, Shen, Kox and Sihver
  - Final state
    - Binary light ion cascade
    - QMD (since 9.2)
    - INCL/ABLA (since 9.2)
    - Wilson Abrasion/Ablation
    - Electromagnetic dissociation
    - Interface to DPMJet at high energies
- Radioactive decay

# Inelastic Cross section C12-C12



# Ion Models Inventory



# Binary Light Ion cascade

- Binary Light ion cascade is extension to Binary cascade
  - Light nucleus is modeled as a set of independent particles tracked simultaneously through the heavy nucleus using Binary cascade
    - May swap projectile and target nucleus
    - De-excitation of heavy nucleus handled by pre-compound model
  - At interaction, Fermi momentum and binding is taken into account
  - Unscattered nucleons of light nucleus form fragment, excitation energy estimated by hit nucleons, fragment undergoes de-excitation
- Validity: 0-10 GeV/nucleon, light nucleus

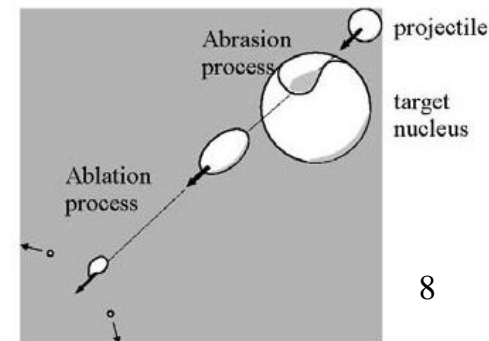
# Quantum Molecular Dynamics

- Quantum Molecular Dynamics is quantum extension of classical molecular-dynamics model.
  - Each nucleon is seen as a Gaussian wave packet
  - Propagation with scattering term taking into account Pauli blocking
  - QMD model is widely used to analyze various aspects of heavy ion reactions.
  - Nuclear fragments de-excited using GEM evaporation
- Validity: 0-10 GeV/nucleon

# Geant4 Wilson Abrasion/Ablation

- Abrasion is simplified macroscopic model based largely on geometric arguments
  - Faster
- Validity range 70 MeV/nucleon – 10 GeV/nucleon
- Ablation models nuclear de-excitation, following NUCFRG2 (NASA TP 3533)

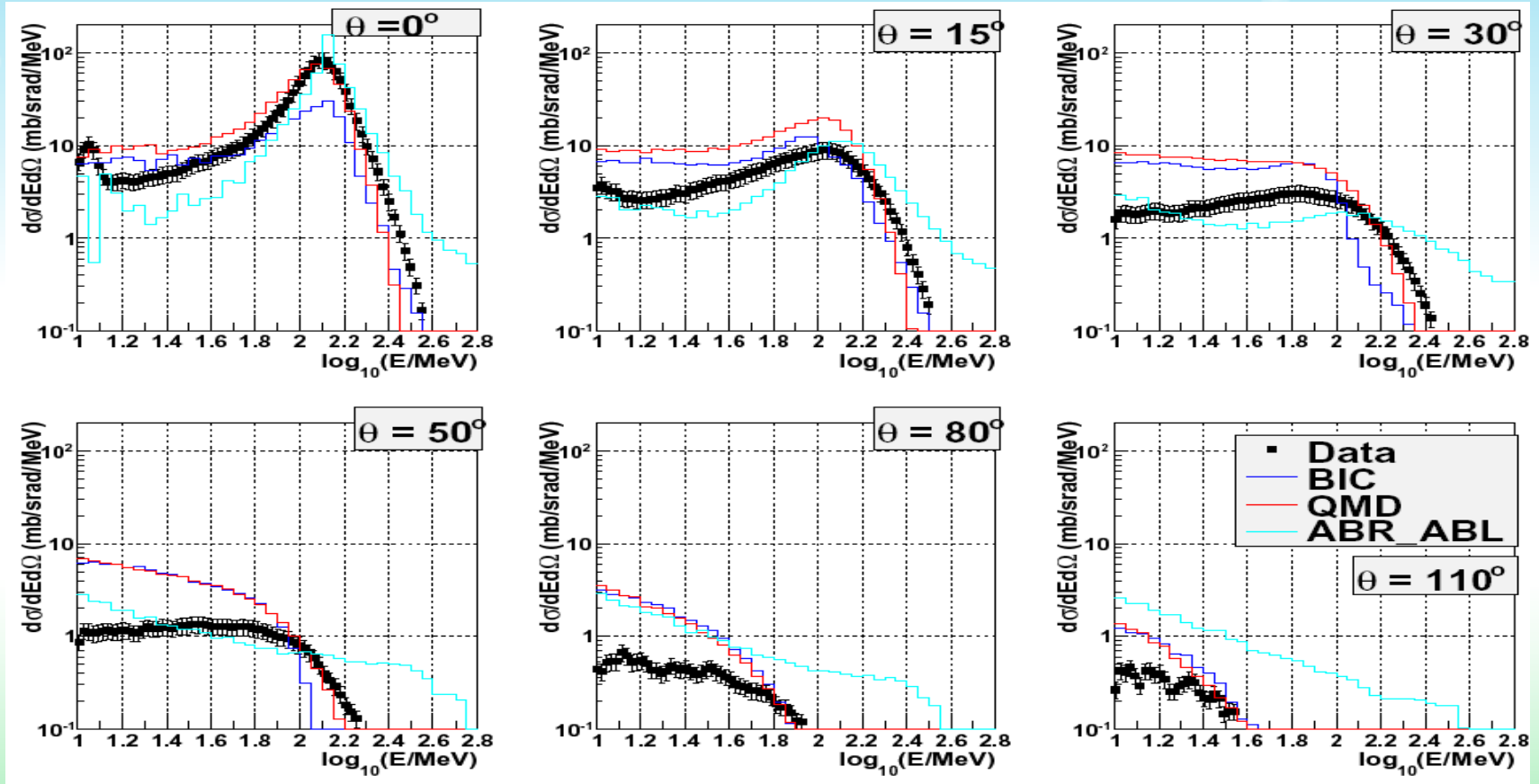
Abrasion/Ablation





# Ion model results

C + C → n + X at 135 MeV/nucleon



Data: H.Sato et al., Phys. Rev. C, 64, 054607 (2001)  
 Measurements of double differential neutron production cross sections  
 by  $^{135}\text{Ar}$  He, C, Ne, and 95 AMeV Ar ions

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# Electromagnetic Dissociation

- Liberation of nucleons or nuclear fragments as a result of electromagnetic field
  - exchange of virtual photons, rather than the strong nuclear force
  - important for relativistic nuclear-nuclear interaction, especially for high Z nuclei
- G4EMDissociation model and cross section are an implementation of the NUCFRG2 (NASA TP 3533) physics
- Validity:  $0 < E < 100 \text{ TeV}$

# Interface to DPMJet-II.5

- DPMJet is external code
  - 5 GeV/nucleon to very high energies (1 PeV/nuc)
  - Applicable to all nuclei as projectile and target
  - Models prompt, high energy part of interaction
- Geant4 provides interface to DPMJet-II.2
  - Nuclear de-excitation using G4Precompound
    - User can override this
- DPMJet requires Glauber profile data
  - Integral probability function used to sample impact parameter
  - Current set up to  $A=58$ , for both projectile and target
- Work in progress

# Radioactive Decay

- Decay of radioactive nuclei by  $\alpha$ ,  $e^-$ ,  $e^+$ , or electron capture from K and L shell.
  - Followed by gamma de-excitation
- Radioactive daughter products are decayed, ie decay chains are handled
- Data derived from Evaluated Nuclear Structure Data File (ENSDF)
  - Nuclear half-lives, level structure, nuclear decay branching ratio, Q-value of decays
- Biasing techniques available
  - Decay time distributions function can be supplied
  - Splitting prior to decay
  - Biasing of branching ratios

# Isotope production model

- Low energy ( $< 100$  MeV) proton/neutron induced isotope production
  - parasitic to the transport models.
  - Data driven model, using data IsotopeProduction data in G4NDL

# Exercise 5.b

- Compare hadronic and EM showers