



SOLENOID AND SUPERSONIC TARGET IN STRUCTURE EXPERIMENTS



ORNL Instrumentation Development for Astrophysics Measurements

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- ³He beam experiments with GODDESS
 - Previous experiments
 - ${}^{19}F({}^{3}He,t){}^{19}Ne$
 - ${}^{40}Ca({}^{3}He,\alpha){}^{39}Ca$
- (α, p) reactions with gas jets
 - Previous measurements with JENSA
 - SOLSTISE for HELIOS and SOLARIS

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Red Giant Stars

s-process

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 - Typically need one of Γ_p , Γ_{α} , Γ_{γ}
 - Need J^{π} of excited states in compound nucleus
- Excitation energies
 - Reducing uncertainty important affects reaction rate exponentially:



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GODDESS Summary

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- ORRUBA + Gretina/Gammasphere
- Previous Experiments: (Gammasphere)
 - ${}^{95}Mo(d,p){}^{96}Mo$
 - 134 Xe(d, *p*) 135 Xe
 - ¹⁹F(³He,t) /
 ⁴⁰Ca(³He,α)

(Gretina)

- ${}^{56}\text{Fe}(p,p')$
- ${}^{30}\mathrm{P}(d,p){}^{31}\mathrm{P}$
- $^{134}\text{Te}(d,p)^{135}\text{Te}$



³He Beams with GODDESS





Adapted from A. Ratkiewicz et al. AIP Conf. Proc. 1525, 487 (2013).

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${}^{40}Ca({}^{3}He,\alpha){}^{39}Ca$ with GODDESS



0.8L 0.15

0.2

0.25

0.3

Temperature (GK)

0.35

0.4

0.45

0.5

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 23 new ³⁹Ca transitions found including three potential resonances for ³⁸K(p,γ)



(α,p) reactions with SOLSTISE(SOLenoid and Supersonic Target In Structure Experiments)

(α, p) Reactions and Nucleosynthesis

TABLE 1 Reactions that impact the burst light curve in the single-zone X-ray burst model.

1 56 NE() ⁵⁹ Cu U	19.5	
1 ··· Ν1(α,p		12.0	1
2 ⁵⁹ Cu(p,) ⁶⁰ Zn D	12.1	1
3 ${}^{15}O(\alpha, \gamma$) ¹⁹ Ne D	7.9	1
4 ${}^{30}S(\alpha, p$) ³³ Cl U	7.8	1
5 ${}^{26}Si(\alpha,]$	5) ²⁹ P U	5.3	1
$6 = {}^{61}\text{Ga}(p, \gamma)$	^{62}Ge D	5.0	1
$7 = {}^{23}Al(p, \gamma)$	γ) ²⁴ Si U	4.8	1
8 $^{27}P(p, \gamma)$	$)^{28}S$ D	4.4	1
9 63 Ga(p, -	$)^{64}$ Ge D	3.8	1
10 60 Zn(α ,p) ⁶³ Ga U	3.6	1
11 $^{22}Mg(\alpha,$	p) ²⁵ Al D	3.5	1
12 ${}^{56}Ni(p,\gamma)$) ⁵⁷ Cu D	3.4	1
13 $^{29}S(\alpha, p$) ³² Cl U	2.8	1
14 $^{28}S(\alpha, p$) ³¹ Cl U	2.7	1
15 ${}^{31}Cl(p,\gamma)$) ³² Ar U	2.7	1
$16 = {}^{35}K(p, \gamma)$) ³⁶ Ca U	2.5	2
17 ${}^{18}Ne(\alpha, \mu)$) ²¹ Na D	2.3	2
18 $^{25}Si(\alpha, j)$	b) ²⁸ P U	1.9	2
19 ⁵⁷ Cu(p, -) ⁵⁸ Zn D	1.7	2
20 ${}^{34}Ar(\alpha,$	p) ³⁷ K U	1.6	3
21 ${}^{24}Si(\alpha, j)$	o) ²⁷ P U	1.4	3
$22 - {}^{22}Mg(p, 22)$	γ) ²³ Al D	1.1	3
23 ⁶⁵ As(p, ~) ⁶⁶ Se U	1.0	3
24 ${}^{14}O(\alpha, \mathbf{j})$	$^{0})^{17}F$ U	1.0	3
25 $^{40}Sc(p,\gamma)$) ⁴¹ Ti D	0.9	3
26 ³⁴ Ar(p,	$(\gamma)^{35}$ K D	0.8	3
27 ⁴⁷ Mn(p,	γ) ⁴⁸ Fe D	0.8	3
28 ³⁹ Ca(p,	γ) ⁴⁰ Sc D	0.8	3

^a Up (U) or down (D) variation that has the largest impact ^b $M_{LC}^{(i)}$ in units of 10¹⁷ ergs/g/s (α,p) reactions important reactions for *ap*-process and astrophysical sites like XRBs, Type Ia SN, etc.

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- Not easy to measure, especially on radioactive nuclei where He target needed.
- Gas target (jet/cell) necessary for many of these:



(α, p) Reactions with JENSA

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- ${}^{14}N(\alpha,p)$ first inverse kinematics experiment with gas jet.
- Large level spacing in ¹⁸F, nice test case:



- ⁵⁶Ni(α ,p) performed for time inverse ⁵⁹Cu(p, α) – important in XRBs.
- Density of states also not an issue here because p₀ dominates.



(α, p) Reactions with a Solenoid/Gas Jet

- Many of these experiments could be improved in a solenoid especially if the level density is higher.
- SOLSTISE (gas jet + HELIOS/SOLARIS)
- Jet currently being tested at ORNL/simulations in progress (more at LECM).



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Advantages of (α, p) with SOLSTISE

- Potentially less elastic scattering less DAQ dead time and higher beam rates for more statistics.
- Kinematic compression in inverse kinematics not an issue: in A=30-40 region solenoid may especially be useful due to high density of states.

Design considerations:

- Investigating different nozzle designs
 - Gas jet "sheet" or smaller (~1 mm) jet to improve position resolution?
 - For high level densities that can't be resolved in silicon, thicker jet may be more useful for increased statistics.
 - Gas jet "sheet" would also be useful for RAISOR beams/beams with larger spot size.

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Summary and Outlook



- GODDESS has had successful measurements using stable ³He beams
 - ${}^{19}F({}^{3}He,t) \& {}^{40}Ca({}^{3}He,\alpha)$
- Some astrophysics measurements may require new target technologies (SOLSTISE)
 - SOLSTISE will be particularly useful for (α, p)
 - JENSA has already had some success
 - Solenoid may solve some issues present in regular inverse kinematics experiments (kinematic compression, etc)...

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