HINDAS: A European Nuclear Data Program for Accelerator-Driven Systems

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General motivations:

Accelerator-driven systems for the transmutation of nuclear waste

Nuclear physics is needed to build reliable and validated simulation tools



Multiplicity and characteristics of the produced neutrons

⇒ performance of the target, damages, radioprotection

Charged particle production

 \Box gas (H₂, He) production, DPA

- Residual nuclide production
 - radiotoxicity, corrosion, damages

Nuclear physics for ADS design



- Monte-Carlo transport codes
 - propagation of all particles created in elementary interactions
 (HETC + MCNP type)

- Nuclear physics models
 - above 150-200 MeV : Intra-nuclear cascade, evaporation-fission crosssections, properties of emitted particles used directly by the transport codes
 - below 150-200 MeV : optical model, pre-equilibrium, direct reactions, evaporation, fission...
 Evaluated data files providing all reaction channels
- Experimental data
 - Directly useful ones
 - > To understand the physics, constrain and validate the models

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GOAL: To provide ADS-relevant nuclear data and models in the 20-2000 MeV range

- Measurements for a few targets (Fe, Pb and U) of experimental data covering all the reaction channels (neutron, light charged particle, residue production) in the whole energy range
- Improvement of nuclear physics models and validation on the experimental data
- Generation of evaluated nuclear data libraries in the 20-200 MeV range
- Implementation of the high-energy models into High-Energy Transport Codes
- Assessment of implications for ADS

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16 laboratories in Europe

- UCL Louvain-la Neuve Belgium
- Subatech, Nantes, France
- LPC Caen, France
- > RuG Groningen, Netherlands
- > UU Uppsala, Sweden
- ZSR, Hannover, germany
- > PTB, Braunschweig, Germany
- > IPP Zürich, Switzerland
- > PSI Zürich, Switzerland
- FZJ Jülich, Germany
- > CEA Saclay, France
- > CEA Bruyères, France
- GSI Darmstadt, Germany
- Universitad Santiago de Compostella, Spain
- > ULG Liège, Belgiun
- NRG Petten, Netherlands

6 facilities

- Louvain-la Neuve cyclotron
- > AGOR cyclotron Groningen
- Svedberg lab. Uppsala
- PSI ZürichCOSY Jülich
- SIS GSI Darmstadt

Measurements

- DDXS (p,xn), (n,xn)
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- Neutron multiplicities in thin and thick targets
- Residue production in direct and inverse kinematics

Theory and evaluation

Intermediate energy theory, code development and evaluation

- Experimental data
- The TALYS code (NRG Petten / CEA Bruyères)
- \Rightarrow Fe, Pb, U evaluated libraries





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Damage due to spallation reactions in the ADS window



Production of helium in the window per neutron produced in the target as a function of beam energy

From Hilscher et al., J. of Nucl. Mat., 296 (2001) 83
LAHET and HERMES strongly disagree with the data
For iron, high energy preferable

concentration (appm) Total Direct spallation (exp) 10³ +Tetal Bock-scattered spallation Backscatterspanation +Activation 10 10 1 16 18 20 22 24 8 26 10 12 14

Fe-Cr 9% window irradiated by p, 1GeV, 1 year, 10 mA

Measurements using the inverse kinematics technics at GSI of Fe+p (C.Villagrasa thesis)

Impurities produced in the iron window of an ADS after irradiation during 1 year by 1 GeV protons

Spallation residue production in a liquid Pb-Bi target

12, 2001

10⁻²

1 min

1h

1dav

Experiments

- ²⁰⁸Pb (1 GeV/A)+H2 (GSI)
- **Excitation functions (R.Michel et al.)**
- **Models**
 - Improvement of the physics
 - Validation on the bulk of data
 - Implementation into high-energy transport codes (LAHET3)



1mth

1у

Time





 $10v \ 10^2 v \ 10^3 v \ 10^4 v \ 10^5 v$

Perspectives

- Still missing data or crucial data for physics understanding
 - Light and intermediate mass nuclei
 - Fission cross-sections
 - Energy dependence
 - Coincidence experiments
- Still unsatisfying behaviour of the models
 - Evaporation
 - Fission
 - Fermi-breakup for light nuclei
 - Emission of composites in INC
 - IMF production
- Validating the codes on real spallation device experiments
 - Ex: SINQ target samples of Pb, Pb-Bi

⇒ General goal: Producing reference codes relevant for spallation targets

- Ife time assessment
- > waste management
- > shielding evaluation



Perspectives

TREND/SANDAT FP6 proposal on transmutation relevant nuclear data

- Providing of nuclear data up to 1000 MeV, suitable for a range of transmutation options (including ADS) by means of a combination of well-selected experiments and nuclear models.
 - → Use of the best suited European facilities to provide complete sets of experimental data for key elements, including minor actinides, target, coolant and structural materials.
 - ➔ Improvement and validation of nuclear model codes in order to generate enhanced ENDF-formatted data libraries for transmutation.
 - ➔ Improvement of high-energy nuclear reaction models in order to provide validated and reliable high-energy transport codes for the modelling of ADS.
 - Sensitivity analysis to determine the most important data and impact on important parameters of transmutation devices.
 - → Integral experiments