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Hydrogen burning on Nitrogen isotopes in CNO and HCNO-cycles

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The role of the $p^{12-15}\text{N}$ reactions in the CNO cycle

$^{12}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{13}\text{O}$ - Exotic part of CNO cycle

... $^{11}\text{C}(p,\gamma)^{12}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{13}\text{O}(\beta^+)^{13}\text{N}$... [89%] or

... $^{11}\text{C}(p,\gamma)^{12}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{13}\text{O}(\beta^+, p)^{12}\text{C}$ [11%]...

$^{13}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{14}\text{O}$ - Production, **hot** CNO only

$^{12}\text{C}(p,\gamma)^{13}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{14}\text{O}(\beta^+\nu)^{14}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{15}\text{O}(\beta^+\nu)^{15}\text{N}(p,\alpha)^{12}\text{C}$

$^{14}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{15}\text{O}$ - Production, **hot** and **cold** CNO.
The slowest in **cold** CNO

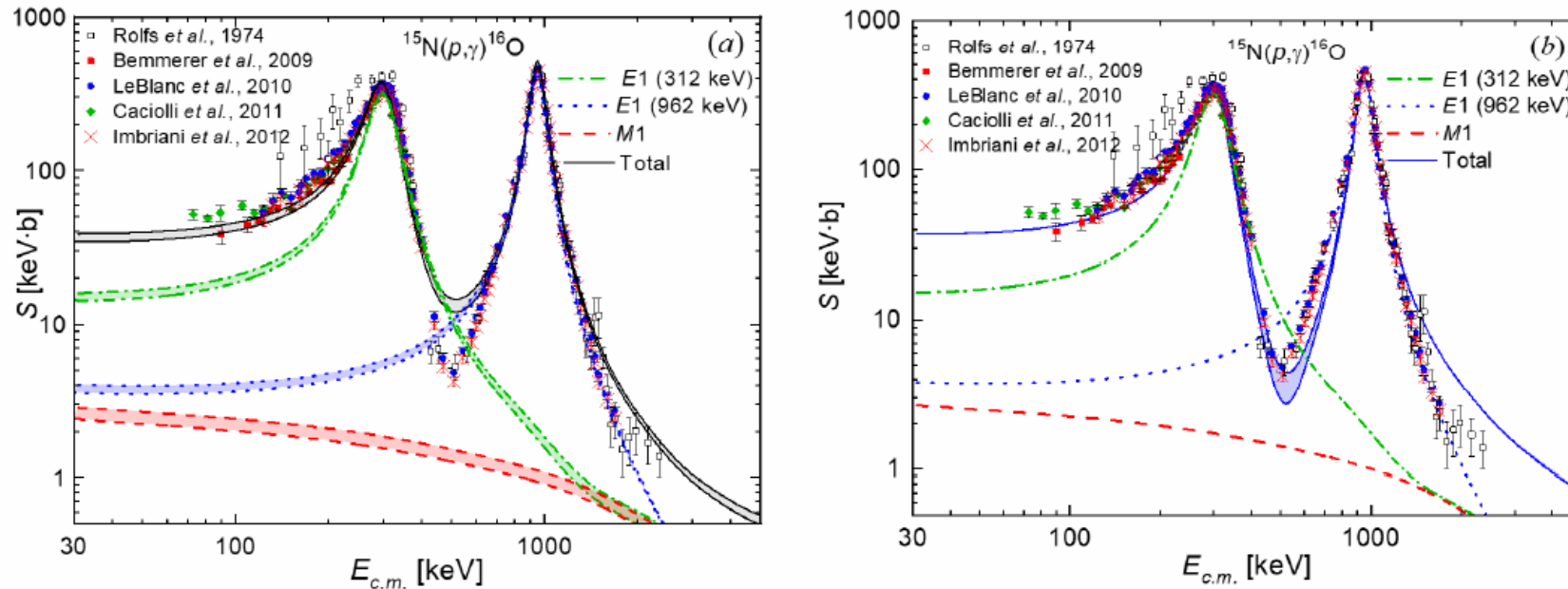
$^{12}\text{C}(p,\gamma)^{13}\text{N}(\beta^+\nu)^{13}\text{C}(p,\gamma)^{14}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{15}\text{O}(\beta^+\nu)^{15}\text{N}(p,\alpha)^{12}\text{C}$

$^{15}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{16}\text{O}$ - Production, **hot** CNO only.
The main branching point
between **hot** and **cold** CNO

$^{16}\text{O}(p,\gamma)^{17}\text{F}(\beta^+\nu)^{17}\text{O}(p,\alpha)^{14}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{15}\text{O}(\beta^+\nu)^{15}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{16}\text{O}$

$^{17}\text{O}(p,\gamma)^{18}\text{F}(\beta^+\nu)^{18}\text{O}(p,\alpha)^{15}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{16}\text{O}(\beta^+\nu)^{17}\text{F}(\beta^+\nu)^{17}\text{O}$

Astrophysical S -factor of $^{15}\text{N}(p,\gamma_{\text{G.S.}})^{16}\text{O}$



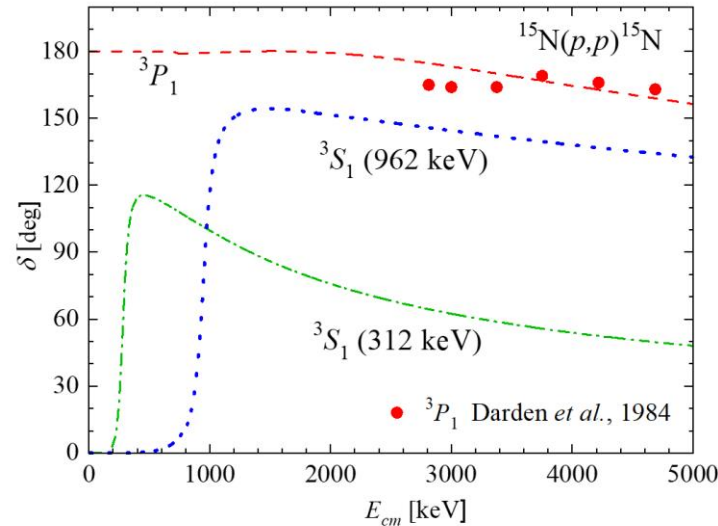
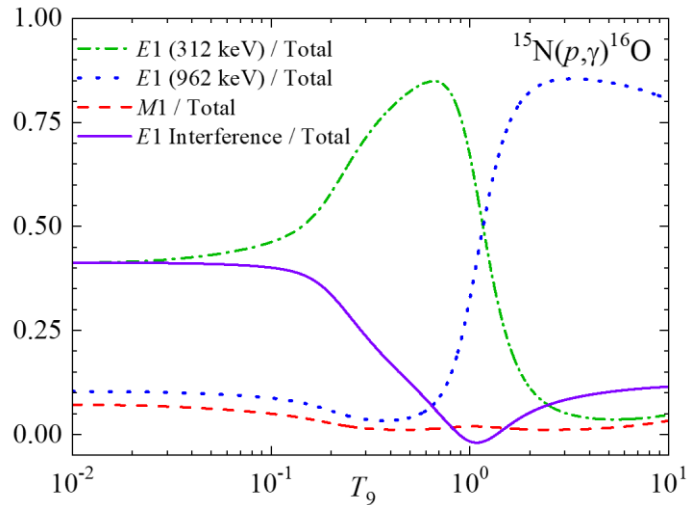
The astrophysical S -factor of radiative $p^{15}\text{N}$ capture on the ground state of ^{16}O .

(a) Present calculation in the **Modified Potential Cluster Model (MPCM)**.

(b) Modeling of S -waves interference based on the Breit-Wigner fit of resonance phase shifts [1].

[1] S. B. Dubovichenko et. al., [arXiv:2303.14680v2](https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.14680v2) [nucl-th]

$^{15}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{16}\text{O}$ reaction rate



$$\sigma_{E1}(E_{cm}) \sim |I(k, E1)|^2,$$

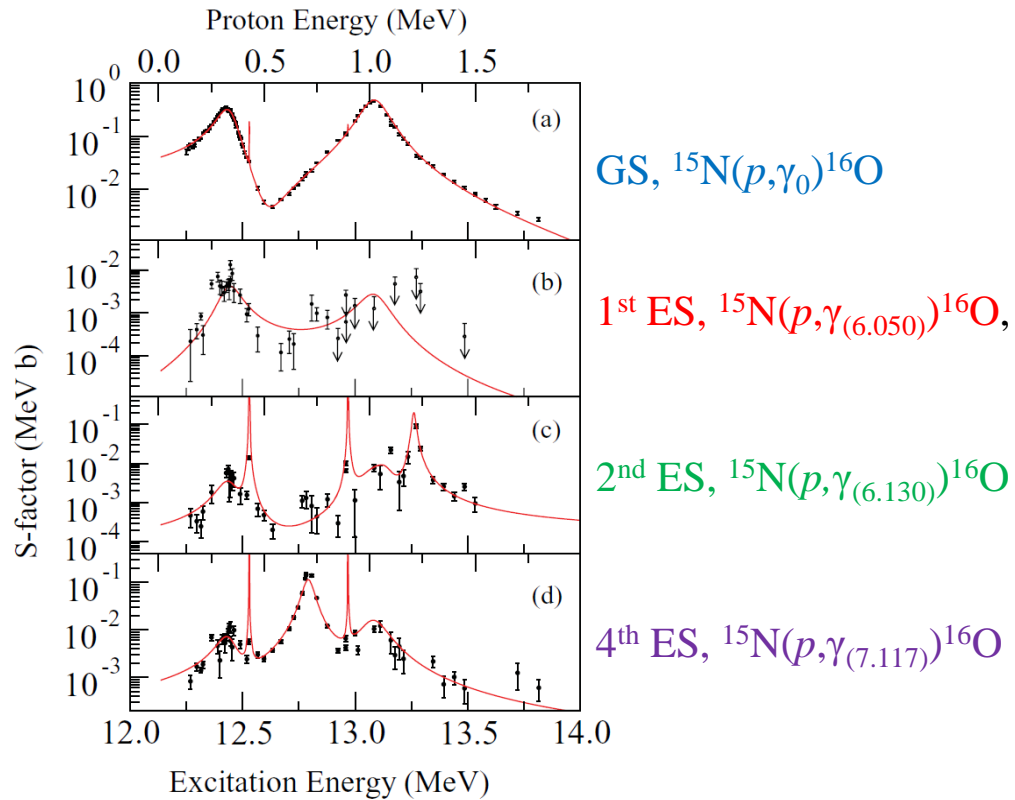
$$|I(k, E1)|^2 = |I_1|^2 + |I_2|^2 +$$

$$+ 2 \cos\left(\delta_{3S_1(312)} - \delta_{3S_1(962)}\right) I_1 I_2$$

The dependence of the reaction rate of the $^{15}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{16}\text{O}$ radiative capture on astrophysical temperature. The solid curve presents our calculations for the sum of $E1$ and $M1$ transitions. The inset shows the fractional contributions of the reaction rates from the 3S_1 resonances at **312 keV** and **962 keV**, and **non-resonance transition $^3P_1 \rightarrow ^3P_0$** with respect to the reaction rate of $^{15}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{16}\text{O}$, as a function of astrophysical temperature. The resonances are identified with the c.m. energy in keV.

S.E. Darden, *et al.*, Nucl. Phys. A 429, 218 (1984).

The impact of the cascade transitions

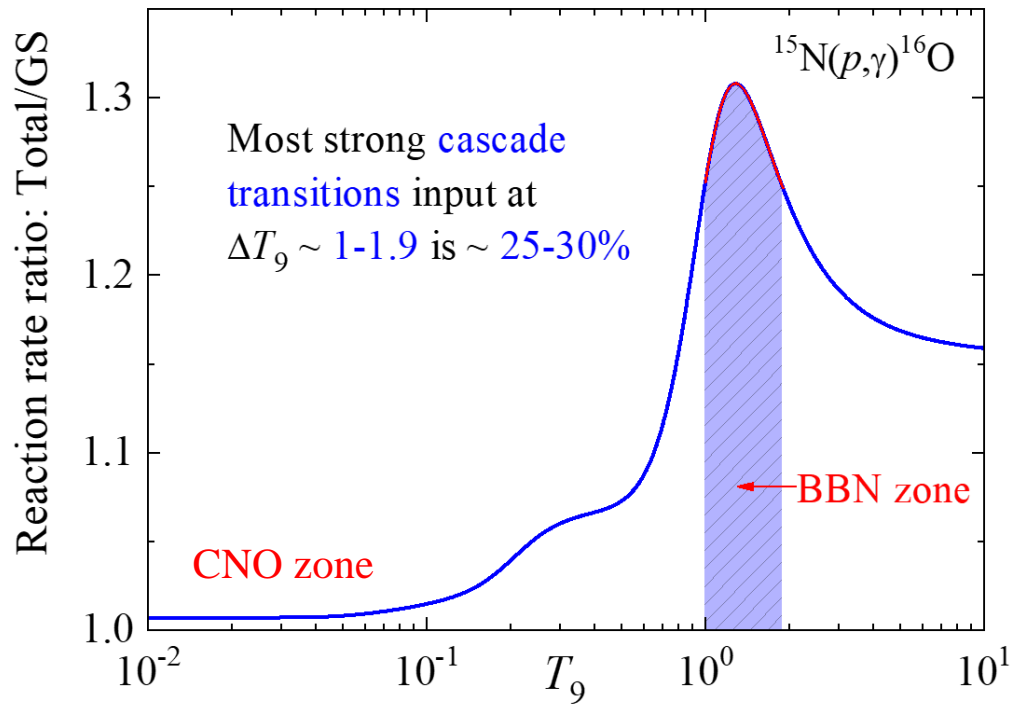


Simultaneous fits to the data of Ref. [1].

E_x MeV	J^π	Resonances
12.445	1 ⁻	GS and 1 st , 2 nd and 4 th ESs
12.530	2 ⁻	2 nd and 4 th ESs
12.796	0 ⁻	4 th ES
12.9686	2 ⁻	2 nd and 4 th ESs
13.090	1 ⁻	GS and 1 st , 2 nd and 4 th ESs
13.142	3 ⁻	2 nd ES
13.265	3 ⁻	2 nd ES

[1] G. Imbriani, *et al.*, Measurement of γ rays from $^{15}\text{N}(p, \gamma)^{16}\text{O}$ cascade and $^{15}\text{N}(p, \alpha_1)^{12}\text{C}$. *Phys. Rev. C* 85, 065810 (2012).

The impact of the **cascade transitions**

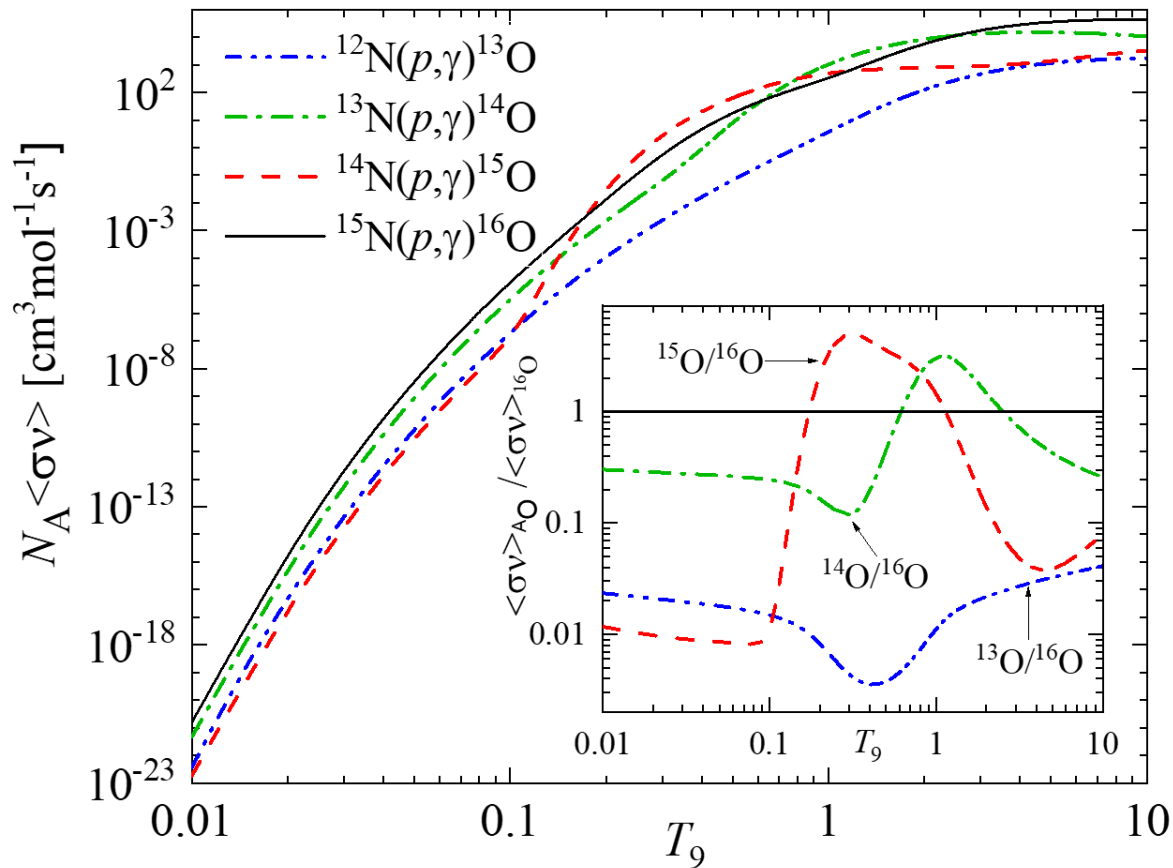


The dependence of the ratio of the total reaction rate which is the sum of contributions from the GS and cascade transitions $^{15}\text{N}(p,\gamma_{(6.050)})^{16}\text{O}$, $^{15}\text{N}(p,\gamma_{(6.130)})^{16}\text{O}$, and $^{15}\text{N}(p,\gamma_{(7.117)})^{16}\text{O}$ and the reaction rate for the GS transitions on temperature.

In calculations are used the experimental data reported in Ref. [1].

[1] G. Imbriani, *et al.*, Measurement of γ rays from $^{15}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{16}\text{O}$ cascade and $^{15}\text{N}(p,\alpha_1)^{12}\text{C}$. *Phys. Rev. C* 85, 065810 (2012).

Reaction rates for proton capture reactions on nitrogen isotopes

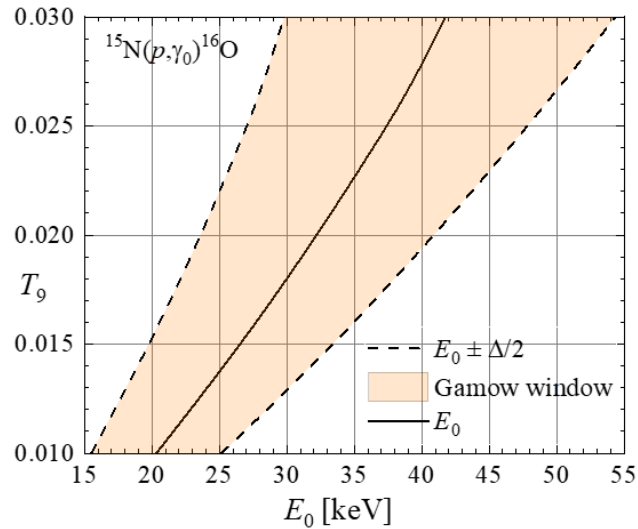
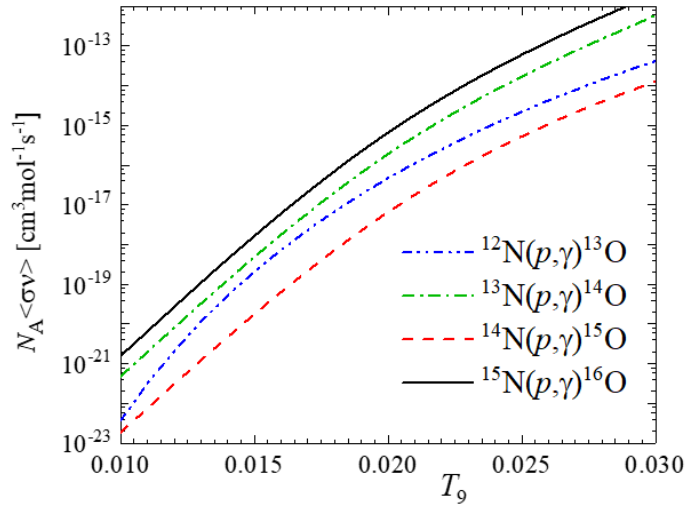


The reaction rates of the radiative proton capture on nitrogen isotopes leading to the production of oxygen isotopes as a function of astrophysical temperature.

The insert shows the fractional contributions from $^{12}\text{N}(p, \gamma)^{13}\text{O}$ [1], $^{13}\text{N}(p, \gamma)^{14}\text{O}$ [2], $^{14}\text{N}(p, \gamma)^{15}\text{O}$ [3] with respect to the $^{15}\text{N}(p, \gamma)^{16}\text{O}$ reaction rate as a function of astrophysical temperature.

- [1] S. B. Dubovichenko et al., Nucl. Phys. A 1028, 122543 (2022).
- [2] S. B. Dubovichenko et al., Phys. Rev. C 102, 045805 (2020).
- [3] S. B. Dubovichenko et al., Int. J. Mod. Phys. E 29, 1930007 (2020).

The reactions rates and **Gamow range ΔE_G**



(left panels) Dependencies of reaction rates of the radiative proton capture on nitrogen isotopes on astrophysical temperature.

(right panels) The stellar temperatures as a function of the Gamow energy.

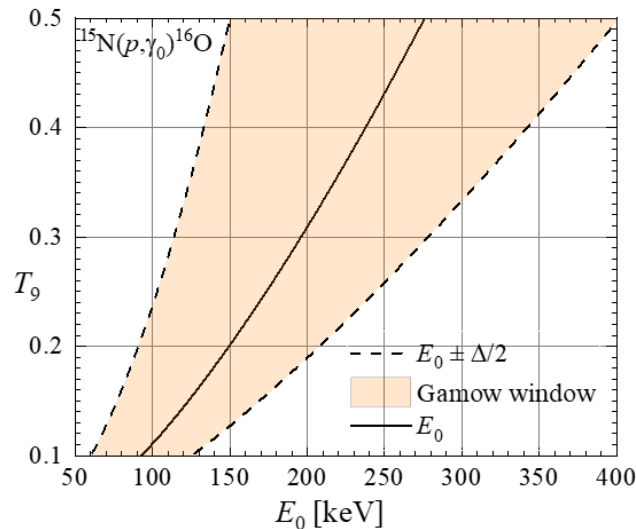
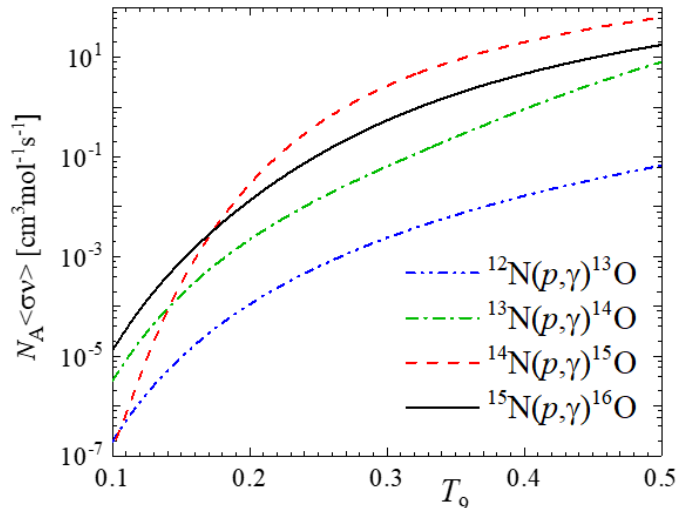
Gamow peak energy:

$$E_0 = \left[\frac{\pi^2}{\hbar^2} (Z_1 Z_2 e^2)^2 \frac{\mu}{2} (k_B T)^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

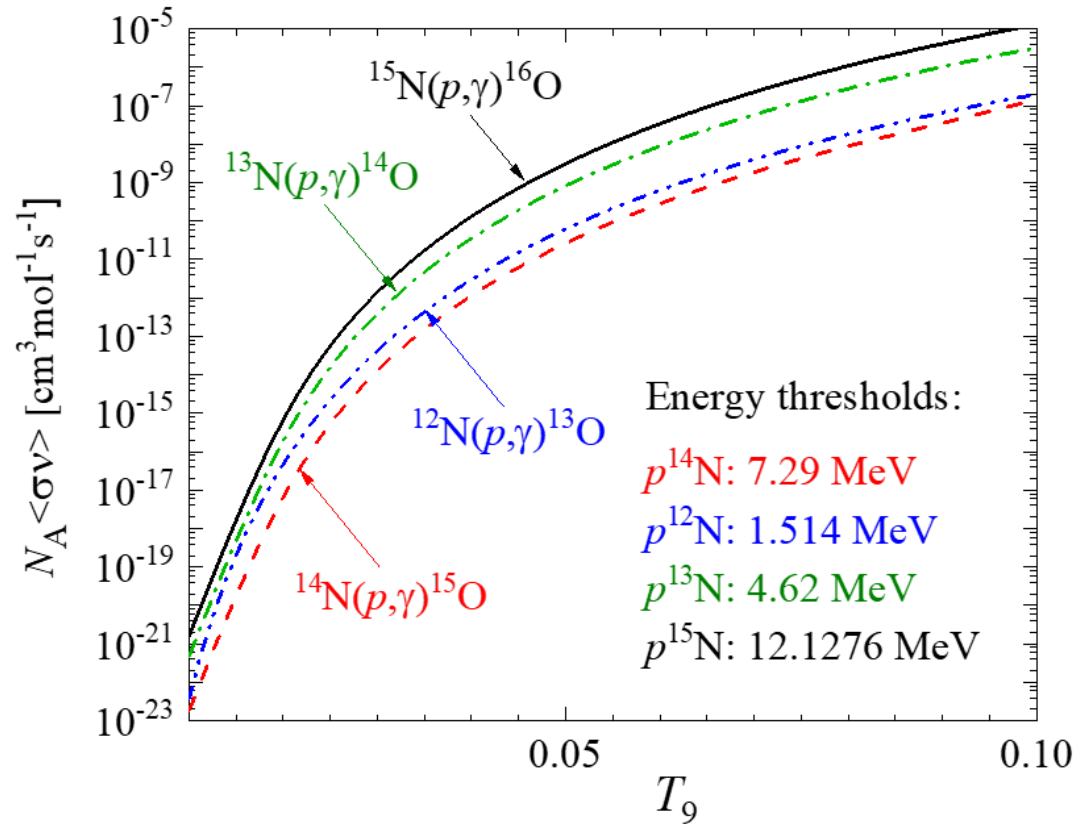
$$E_0 = 466.4353 [\mu T_9^2]^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

Gamow range E_G (in keV) around the Gamow energy E_0

$$\Delta E_G = 452.9821 [\mu T_9^5]^{\frac{1}{6}}$$



Correlation between **threshold energies** E_{th} and the reaction rate



Correlation between the **threshold energies** E_{th} in the nitrogen channels and reaction rates at ultra-low T_9 is observed:

the higher E_{th} , the higher the reaction rate.

$$E_{th}(p^{15}\text{N}) > E_{th}(p^{13}\text{N}) > E_{th}(p^{12}\text{N})$$

Exception $^{14}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{15}\text{O}$

Due to $E2$ capture contrary $E1$ in other channels

Conclusion and prospects

$^{15}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{16}\text{O}$:

- The interference of $^3S_1(312)$ and $^3S_1(962)$ resonances leads to the significant increase of S -factor at the energies up to 300 keV.
- The strong interference effect of 1^- resonance states is demonstrated for reaction rate at CNO relevant temperatures $T_9 < 0.1$.
- Cascade transitions show minor role for standard and stellar CNO cycles.
- To evaluate the impact of cascade transitions the model calculations for the interference of 2^- and 3^- states are of strong demand.

$^{12}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{13}\text{O}$, $^{13}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{14}\text{O}$, $^{14}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{15}\text{O}$, and $^{15}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{16}\text{O}$:

- The regularity of the energy thresholds and low-temperature reaction rates is observed: the higher E_{th} , the higher the reaction rate.
- The search of this regularity for the Li, Be, B, C isotopes is of practical interest.
- The extension of MPCM model on the $2s$ - $1d$ nuclei is the future goal.

Thank you for attention!
