Microscopic cluster model analysis of ${}^{14}O + p$ elastic scattering

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The ¹⁴O + p elastic scattering is discussed in detail in a fully microscopic cluster model [1]. The ¹⁴O cluster is described by a closed p shell for protons and a closed p3/2 subshell for neutrons in the harmonic-oscillator model. The nucleon-nucleon interaction is tuned on the energy levels of the ¹⁵C mirror system. With the generator-coordinate [2] and microscopic R-matrix [3] methods, phase shifts and cross sections are calculated for the ¹⁴O + p elastic scattering. An excellent agreement is found with recent experimental data [4], which present $1/2^+$ and $5/2^+$ resonances near 1.3 and 2.8 MeV, respectively. A comparison is performed with phenomenological R matrix fits, where the resonance properties (energy and width) are free parameters. Resonances properties in ¹⁵F are discussed, and compared with data available in the literature [4]. Figure 1 shows the experimental cross section [4] at 180°, compared with the microscopic calculation and R-matrix fits at channel radii a = 4 fm and a = 5 fm.



Figure 1: Excitation functions for the ${}^{14}O + p$ elastic scattering at 180° calculated with the microscopic model (solid line) and with phenomenological R-matrix fits for a = 4 (dotted line) and 5 fm (dashed line). Experimental cross sections are from Ref. [4].

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