Reactions around the barrier with AIRIS beams

 \rightarrow At energies around the Coulomb barrier there is a rich interplay between the structure of the colliding nuclei and the reaction dynamics.

 \rightarrow couplings between the entrance channel and various direct reaction channels are expected to be very important, as also coupling to the continuum for weakly bound nuclei.

Fusion around the barrier



Stokstad et al, PRL 41 (1978) 465, Leigh et al, PRC 52 (1995) 3151 Quantum tunneling is strongly influenced by presence of other channels.
Coupled Channel approach

Influence of transfer on fusion cross section: +ive Q-value enhances fusion x-section



FIG. 2. The measured fusion cross sections in reduced scales where the y axis is defined as $\sigma_{\text{red}} = 2\sigma_{\text{fus}}E_{c.m.}/R_b^2\hbar\omega$ and x axis is $E_{\text{red}} = (E_{c.m.} - V_b)/\hbar\omega$. The dotted line is the 1D-BPM prediction for all the systems.

Tripathi et al; PRC 65, 014614 (2002)

Not well understood! AIRIS will provide isotopic chains with different Q-values to explore the role transfer channels play in enhancing fusion cross section At energies around the barrier. Role of 2n transfer channel on the fusion process: systematics along an isotopic chain

