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Target electron ionization in Li<sup>2+</sup>-Li collisions: A multi-electron perspective<sup>1</sup> M.D. ŚPIEWANOWSKI, York University, L. GULYÁS, Institute for Nuclear Research, Hungarian Academy of Sciences (ATOMKI), M. HORBATSCH, T. KIRCHNER, York University — The recent development of the magnetooptical trap reaction-microscope has opened a new chapter for detailed investigations of charged-particle collisions from alkali atoms. It was shown that energydifferential cross sections for ionization from the outer-shell in O<sup>8+</sup>-Li collisions at 1500 keV/amu can be readily explained with the single-active-electron approximation. Understanding of K-shell ionization, however, requires incorporating manyelectron effects. An ionization-excitation process was found to play an important role [1]. We present a theoretical study of target electron removal in Li<sup>2+</sup>-Li collisions at 2290 keV/amu [2]. The results indicate that in outer-shell ionization a single-electron process plays the dominant part. However, the K-shell ionization results are more difficult to interpret. On one hand, we find only weak contributions from multi-electron processes. On the other hand, a large discrepancy between experimental and single-particle theoretical results indicate that multi-electron processes involving ionization from the outer shell may be important for a complete understanding of the process.

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