

Electromagnetic properties of nuclei: from few- to many-body systems

Lecture 8

Few-body methods -Applications

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Physics cases of interest:



Muonic atoms

Halo nuclei



• Exotic nuclei with an interesting structure



 Neutron halos: Large n/p ratio (neutron-rich)

Halo	n/p
⁶ He	2
⁸ He	3
¹¹ Lj	2.66
¹² C	1



Halo nuclei

• Large size

Nuclear radius for stable nuclei: $R_N \sim r_0 A^{1/3}$ with $r_0 \sim 1.2$ fm





Small nucleon(s) separation energies

$$S_{2n} = BE(Z, N) - BE(Z, N-2)$$



The helium isotope chain



Even if they are exotic short lived nuclei, they can be investigated experimentally. From a comparison of theoretical predictions with experiment we can test our knowledge on nuclear forces in the neutron rich region



Borromean Nuclei

Named after Borromean rings by M.V. Zhukov et al., Phys. Rep 231, 151 (1993)



Isola Bella, Lago Maggiore, Italia



pic credit P.Capel



New Era of Precision Measurements for masses and radii

Masses (and thus binding energies) are measured with Penning traps
 TITAN TRIUMF

Can reach a relative precision of 10⁻⁸



• Charge radii are measured with Laser Spectroscopy

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Halo Nuclei - Experiment



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Laser Spectroscopy for radii



Experiment

$$\widetilde{\delta\nu^{A,A'}} = \nu^{A'} - \nu^{A}$$

Theory: from precise atomic structure calculations





- Mass shifts dominates for light nuclei
- Nuclear masses are input for calculations of K local can be the largest source of systematic errors if not known precisely
- Precise mass measurements are key for a better determination of radii

⁶He from HH





 P_a

 $P_a H_{eff}^a$

 Q_a **0**

 Q_a

0

 $Q_a X_a H X_a^{-1} Q_a$



⁶He from HH

S.B. et al., PRC 86, 034321 (2012)



smaller than matter radii 🖒 halo structure

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Theory vs Experiment



- (a) Experimental matter radius relatively uncertain
- (b) Experimental charge radius well constrained



Calculated ab-initio ~-0.082 fm²

- It is important to compare observable together
- Correlation between radii and separation energy

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Update on other methods

NCSM/NCSMC

Romero-Redondo et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 117, 222501 (2016) 2.6 SRG-N³LO NN, $\Lambda = 2.0$ fm⁻¹ 2.4 rms Radius (fm) 2.2 ⁶He NCSMC 2.0 **NCSM** 1.8 2n Separation Energy (MeV) -10 00 00 01 -10 • Exp. Th. r_m ▲ r_{pp} S_{2n} 8 ∞ 10 6 4 N_{max}

No three-body forces included also here



Update on other methods

GFMC

Only method with three-body forces on ⁶He



M. Piarulli et al, <u>arXiv:1707.02883</u>



Update on other methods

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⁸He from HH?

S.B. et al., PRC 86, 034321 (2012)



- Difference between HH and EIHH is about 2.4 MeV
- EIHH seems less effective than for 6He
- Extrapolating HH results get $E_{\infty} = -31.49 {
 m MeV}$ comparable to Coupled cluster





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Physics cases of interest:



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$$\begin{aligned} R_L(\omega, \mathbf{q}) &= \sum_f |\langle \Psi_f | \rho(\mathbf{q}) | \Psi_0 \rangle|^2 \, \delta\left(E_f - E_0 - \omega + \frac{\mathbf{q}^2}{2M}\right) & \quad \text{charge operator} \\ R_T(\omega, \mathbf{q}) &= \sum_f |\langle \Psi_f | J_T(\mathbf{q}) | \Psi_0 \rangle|^2 \, \delta\left(E_f - E_0 - \omega + \frac{\mathbf{q}^2}{2M}\right) & \quad \text{current operator} \end{aligned}$$

 $\omega=0~$ No energy transfer, only momentum f=0~ Nucleus stays in ground-state

Form factors

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Elastic Electron Scattering

From S. B. and S. Pastore, J. Phys. G: Nucl. Part. Phys. **41** 123002 (2014) Work by Piarulli, Schiavilla, Marcucci, ...



Traditional nuclear physics and chiral EFT agree Two-body currents not important in longitudinal FF

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Elastic Electron Scattering

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Traditional nuclear physics and chiral EFT slightly different Two-body currents important in transverse/magnetic FF $\omega \neq 0$ $\,$ Energy and momentum transferred $\,$

 $f \neq 0$ \quad Nucleus does not stay in ground-state



$$R_{L}(\omega, \mathbf{q}) = \sum_{f} \left| \langle \Psi_{f} | \rho(\mathbf{q}) | \Psi_{0} \rangle \right|^{2} \delta \left(E_{f} - E_{0} - \omega + \frac{\mathbf{q}^{2}}{2M} \right)$$

$$\boldsymbol{\rho}(\mathbf{q}) = \sum_{k}^{A} e^{i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{r}_{k}'} \frac{1+\tau_{k}^{3}}{2} = \sum_{J}^{\infty} C_{J}^{S}(\mathbf{q}) + C_{J}^{V}(\mathbf{q})$$

- Calculate every multipole on a grid of q
- Multipole expansion converges with finite number of multipoles
- Solve LIT equation for every multipole
- Invert LIT for every multipole and sum equiv to invert sum of LITs

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Final state interaction

S.B. et al., PRL 102, 162501 (2009)



Strong effect of FSI: known form Carlson and Schiavilla PRL 68 (1992) and PRC 49 R2880 (1994) but now we can look at the energy dependence of FSI

Effects of nuclear Hamiltonians



Comparison with experiment improves with 3NF and at low q the reduction of the peak is up to 50%

Note:

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Structure of the response close to threshold is not considered here. This is the response 1-2 MeV above threshold.

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Effects of nuclear Hamiltonians

A=3



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Resonant Transition Form Factor
$$|F_{\mathcal{M}}(q)|^2 = \frac{1}{Z^2} \int d\omega R_{\mathcal{M}}^{\text{res}}(q,\omega)$$

First ab-initio calculation with realistic three-nucleon forces and with the Lorentz Integral Transform method S.B. *et al.*, PRL **110**, 042503 (2013)



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Sensitivity to Nuclear Hamiltonians

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S.B. et al., PRL 110, 042503 (2013)



Location of the resonance?



The "realistic Hamiltonians" fail to reproduce the correct position of the 0⁺₂ resonance

More theoretical work needed to understand this.

• This be measured again: S-Dalinac, MAMI, MESA





Study $R_T(\omega, \mathbf{q})$ and two-body currents effects



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