Relativistic description of atomic nuclei

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Hohenberg-Kohn theorem

We consider a realistic manybody system with the kinetic energy T and two-body interaction $V(r_i, r_k)$ in an external field U(r). In this case the expectation value of the exact energy

$$E_{HK}[\rho(\mathbf{r})] = \langle \hat{T} + \hat{V} \rangle$$

is given by a universal functional $E_{HK}[\rho]$, which does only depend on the local density $\rho(r)$, and not on the external potential U(r).

The ground state is determined by minimizing $E_{HK}[\rho]$ with respect to ρ

Kohn-Sham theorem

For the same system the expectation value of the exact energy is also given by a functional

$$E_{KS}[\rho(\mathbf{r}), \tau(\mathbf{r})] = \langle \hat{T} + \hat{V} \rangle$$

is given by a universal functional $E_{KS}\rho$], which does depend on $\rho(r)$ and on the kinetic energy density

$$\tau(\mathbf{r}) = \nabla_r \nabla_{r'} \left\langle a^+(\mathbf{r}) a(\mathbf{r'}) \right\rangle \Big|_{\mathbf{r}=\mathbf{r'}}$$

Summary on exact density functionals:

formally exact

in practice

Kohn-Hohenberg: Kohn-Sham: Skyrme: Gogny:

E[ρ(r)] E[ρ(r),τ(r)] E[ρ(r),τ(r),J(r)] E[ρ(r),τ(r),J(r),κ(r)] no shell effects no l·s, no pairing no config.mixing

generalized mean field: no configuration mixing, no two-body correlations

local density: $\rho(\mathbf{r}) = \langle \Phi | a^+(\mathbf{r}) a(\mathbf{r}) | \Phi \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{A} | \varphi_i(\mathbf{r}) \rangle \langle \varphi_i(\mathbf{r}) |$ kinetic energy density: $\tau(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{i=1}^{A} | \nabla \varphi_i(\mathbf{r}) \rangle \langle \nabla \varphi_i(\mathbf{r}) |$ pairing density: $\kappa(r) = \langle \Phi | \mathbf{a}(r,s) \mathbf{a}(r,-s) | \Phi \rangle$ two-body density: $\rho_2(\mathbf{r},\mathbf{r}') = \langle \Phi | a^+(\mathbf{r})a(\mathbf{r}) a^+(\mathbf{r}')a(\mathbf{r}') | \Phi \rangle$

Non-local density functional theory:

$$E = \left\langle \Psi \middle| \hat{H} \middle| \Psi \right\rangle = \left\langle \Phi \middle| \hat{H}_{eff} \middle| \Phi \right\rangle = E[\hat{\rho}]$$

 $\begin{vmatrix} \Phi \end{pmatrix} \text{ Slater determinant } \Leftrightarrow \hat{\rho} \text{ density matrix} \\ \begin{vmatrix} \Phi \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{A}(\varphi_1(\mathbf{r}_1) \cdots \varphi_A(\mathbf{r}_A)) \qquad \hat{\rho}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r'}) = \sum_{i=1}^{A} |\varphi_i(\mathbf{r})\rangle \langle \varphi_i(\mathbf{r'}) |$

Mean field: $\hat{h} = \frac{\delta E}{\delta \hat{\rho}}$ **Eigenfunctions:** $\hat{h} | \varphi_i \rangle = \varepsilon_i | \varphi_i \rangle$



Extensions: Pairing correlations, Covariance Relativistic Hartree Bogoliubov (RHB) **Covariant density functional theory:**

Why covariant?

- 1) no relativistic kinematic necessary: $\sqrt{p_F^2 + m_N^2} = m_N \sqrt{1 + 0.075}$
- 2) non-relativistic DFT works well
- 3) technical problems: no harmonic oscillator no exact soluble models double dimension huge cancellations V-S no variational method
- 4) conceptual problems: treatment of Dirac sea no well defined many-body theory

Why covariant?

- 1) Large spin-orbit splitting in nuclei
- 2) Large fields V≈350 MeV, S≈-400 MeV
- 3) Success of Relativistic Brueckner
- 4) Success of intermediate energy proton scatt.
- 5) relativistic saturation mechanism
- 6) consistent treatment of time-odd fields
- 7) Pseudo-spin Symmetry
- 8) Connection to underlying theories?
- 9) As many symmetries as possible



Relativistic densities:

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In the **relativistic treatment**, one has to deal with four-component Dirac spinor wave functions. Consequently, there are 16 independent bilinear covariants:

$$\overline{\psi}(\mathbf{r}) \Gamma \psi(\mathbf{r})$$

This gives the following local densities:

$\Gamma^s = 1$	scalar density	
$\Gamma^{\nu}_{\mu} = \gamma_{\mu}$	vector density	
$\Gamma^t_{\mu\nu} = (i/2) \Big(\gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu - \gamma_\nu \gamma_\mu \Big)$	tensor density	
$\Gamma^{\rho} = \gamma_5$	pseudoscalar density	
$\Gamma_{\mu}^{a} = \gamma_{\mu}\gamma_{5}$	axial density	

(which have isoscalar and isovector components.) In most applications, only three densities are required:

 $\overline{\psi}\gamma^{\mu}\psi$ (W)

 $\psi \gamma^{\mu} \overline{\tau} \psi$

Dirac equation:

$$\begin{pmatrix} m+V-S & \vec{\sigma}(\vec{p}-\vec{V}) \\ \vec{\sigma}(\vec{p}-\vec{V}) & -m+V+S \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} g \\ f \end{pmatrix}_i = \varepsilon_i \begin{pmatrix} g \\ f \end{pmatrix}_i$$

scalar potential	$S(\mathbf{r})$
vector potential (time-like)	$V(\mathbf{r})$
vector potential (space-like)	$\vec{V}(\mathbf{r})$

vector space-like corresponds to magnetic potential (nuclear magnetism) is time-odd and vanishes in the ground state of even-even systems



Elimination of small components:

 $(\epsilon \rightarrow m + \epsilon)$

$$f_i(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon_i + 2m - W_+} \vec{\sigma} \vec{p} g_i(\mathbf{r}) \qquad \qquad W_{\pm} = V \pm S$$

$$\left\{\vec{\sigma}\vec{p}\,\frac{1}{\varepsilon_i+2\widetilde{m}(\mathbf{r})}\,\vec{\sigma}\vec{p}\,+\,W_{-}\right\}g_i(\mathbf{r})\,=\,\varepsilon_ig_i(\mathbf{r})$$

 $\widetilde{m}(\mathbf{r}) = m - \frac{1}{2}W_{+}$ $m^{*}(\mathbf{r}) = m - S$

for $|\varepsilon_i| \ll 2\widetilde{m}$

$$\left\{\vec{p}\frac{1}{2\widetilde{m}}\vec{p} + \frac{1}{4\widetilde{m}^2}\frac{1}{r}\frac{\partial W_+}{\partial r}\vec{l}\vec{s} + W_-\right\}g_i(\mathbf{r}) \approx \varepsilon_i g_i(\mathbf{r})$$

Pseudospin:

A.Arima, M.Harvey, K.Shimizu, PLB 30 (1969) 517 K.T.Hecht, A.Alder, NPA 137 (1969) 129 J.N.Ginocchio, PRL 78 (1997) 436

Oscillator-shell N

$$l = 0$$

$$j = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\widetilde{l} = 1$$

$$\widetilde{l} = 1$$

$$j = \widetilde{l} + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\widetilde{l} = 1$$

$$l = 2$$

$$j = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$j = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$j = \frac{1}{2}$$



Elimination of large components:

$$(\epsilon \rightarrow m+\epsilon)$$

$$g_i(\mathbf{r}) = \vec{\sigma}\vec{p}\frac{1}{\varepsilon_i - W_-}\vec{\sigma}\vec{p}f_i(\mathbf{r})$$

g(r) has pseudo-spin quantumnumbers

$$\left\{\vec{\sigma}\vec{p}\,\frac{1}{\varepsilon_i - W_-}\,\vec{\sigma}\vec{p} + W_+ - 2m\right\}f_i(\mathbf{r}) = \varepsilon_i f_i(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\left\{\vec{p}\frac{1}{\varepsilon_i - W_-}\vec{p} + \frac{1}{(\varepsilon_i - W_-)^2}\frac{1}{r}\frac{\partial W_-}{\partial r}\vec{l}\vec{s} + W_+ - 2m\right\}g_i(\mathbf{r}) = \varepsilon_i g_i(\mathbf{r})$$

For V=S is W_=0, i.e. pseudo-spin orbit spitting vanishes

J.N.Ginocchio, PRL 78 (1997) 436

QCD-sum rules: V≈S

Furnstahl et al, PRC 46 (1992) 1507

Antinucleons have spin symmetry and no spin-orbit splitting



FIG. 2 (color online). Spin-orbit splitting $\epsilon_A(nl_{l-1/2}) - \epsilon_A(nl_{l+1/2})$ in antineutron spectra of ¹⁶O and ²⁰⁸Pb versus the average energy of a pair of spin doublets. The vertical dashed line shows the continuum limit.

S.G. Zhou, J. Meng, P.Ring, PRL 91 (2003) 262501

Walecka

Covariant density functional theory



Nucleons are coupled by exchange of mesons through an effective Lagrangian (EFT)



LAGRANGIAN DENSITY



Parameter:

meson masses: m_{σ} , m_{ω} , m_{ρ} meson couplings: g_{σ} , g_{ω} , g_{ρ}



 $\left(\frac{L}{q_k}\right) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_k}$ ∂L ∂_μ = 0.

for the nucleons we find the Dirac equation

$$(\gamma^{\mu}(i\partial_{\mu}-V_{\mu})-m+S)\psi_{i}=0.$$

No-sea approxim. !

for the mesons we find the Klein-Gordon equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} \partial^{\nu}\partial_{\nu} + m_{\sigma}^{2} \end{pmatrix} \sigma = -g_{\sigma}\rho_{s} \\ \begin{pmatrix} \partial^{\nu}\partial_{\nu} + m_{\omega}^{2} \end{pmatrix} \omega_{\mu} = g_{\omega}j_{\mu} \\ \begin{pmatrix} \partial^{\mu}\partial_{\mu} + m_{\rho}^{2} \end{pmatrix} \vec{\rho}_{\mu} = g_{\rho}\vec{j}_{\mu} \\ \partial^{\nu}\partial_{\nu}A_{\mu} = ej_{\mu}^{(em)}$$

$$\rho_{s}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{A} \overline{\psi}_{i}(x)\psi_{i}(x)$$

$$j_{\mu}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{A} \overline{\psi}_{i}(x)\gamma_{\mu}\psi_{i}(x)$$

$$\vec{j}_{\mu}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{A} \overline{\psi}_{i}(x)\vec{\tau}\gamma_{\mu}\psi_{i}(x)$$

$$j_{\mu}^{(em)}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{A} \overline{\psi}_{i}(x)\frac{1}{2}(1-\tau_{3})\gamma_{\mu}\psi_{i}(x)$$

The static limit (with time reversal invariance)

for the nucleons we find the static Dirac equation

$$(\vec{\alpha}\vec{p} + V + \beta(m - S))\psi_i = \varepsilon_i\psi_i.$$

$$S = -g_s \sigma$$
, $V = g_\omega \omega_0 + g_\rho \rho_0 + eA_0$

for the mesons we find the Helmholtz equations

$$(-\Delta + m_{\sigma}^{2})\sigma = -g_{\sigma}\rho_{s}$$
$$(-\Delta + m_{\omega}^{2})\omega_{0} = g_{\omega}\rho_{B}$$
$$(-\Delta + m_{\rho}^{2})\rho_{0}^{3} = g_{\rho}\rho^{3}$$
$$-\Delta A_{0} = e\rho^{(em)}$$

Antions
No-sea approxim.

$$\rho_{s} = \sum_{i=1}^{A} \overline{\psi}_{i} \psi_{i}$$

$$\rho_{B} = \sum_{i=1}^{A} \psi_{i}^{+} \psi_{i}$$

$$\rho^{3} = \sum_{i=1}^{A} \psi_{i}^{+} \tau_{3} \psi_{i}$$

$$\rho^{(em)} = \sum_{i=1}^{A} \psi_{i}^{+} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \tau_{3}) \psi_{i}$$

Relativistic saturation mechanism:

We consider only the σ -field, the origin of attraction its source is the scalar density

$$m_{\sigma}^2 \boldsymbol{\sigma} = -g_{\sigma} \sum_{i=1}^{A} \overline{\boldsymbol{\psi}}_i \boldsymbol{\psi}_i = -g_{\sigma} \sum_{i=1}^{A} \left(g_i^+ g_i^- - f_i^+ f_i^- \right)$$

for high densities, when the collapse is close, the Dirac gap $\approx 2m^*$ decreases, the small components f_i of the wave functions increase and reduce the scalar density, i.e. the source of the σ -field, and therefore also scalar attraction. $f(r) = \frac{1}{\sigma k \sigma} (r)$

$$f_i(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon_i + 2\widetilde{m}} \vec{\sigma} \vec{k} g_i(\mathbf{r})$$

$$m_{\sigma}^2 \sigma \approx -g_{\sigma}\rho_B - 2\sum_{i=1}^A f_i^+ f_i^- = -g_{\sigma}\rho_B + \frac{1}{\widetilde{m}}\sum_{i=1}^A \nabla g_i^+ \nabla g_i^-$$

In the non-relativistic case, Hartree with Yukawa forces would lead to collaps Symmetric nuclear matter:

$$[\alpha \mathbf{k} + \beta (m - S)] \mathbf{\psi} = [E - V] \mathbf{\psi}$$

 $\Psi(\mathbf{k}) = \sqrt{\frac{E^* + m^*}{2m^*}} \left(\frac{1}{\sigma \mathbf{k}}\right) \chi$

with $m^{*} = m - S$ and $E^{*} = \sqrt{k^{2} + m^{*2}}$ and $E = E^{*} + V$

we have plane wave solutions of the Dirac equation:

the w-field is given by the density:

$$V = g_{\omega} \omega_0 = \left(\frac{g_{\omega}}{m_{\omega}}\right)^2 \rho_B$$

$$S = -g_{\sigma}\sigma = m - m^{*} = \frac{g_{\sigma}^{2}}{m_{\sigma}^{2}}\rho_{s} = \gamma \frac{g_{\sigma}^{2}}{m_{\sigma}^{2}}\int \frac{d^{3}k}{(2\pi)^{3}} \frac{m^{*}}{E^{*}(k)}$$
$$= \frac{\gamma}{4\pi^{2}} \frac{g_{\sigma}^{2}}{m_{\sigma}^{2}} m^{*} \left[k_{F}E_{F}^{*} - m^{*2} \ln \left(\frac{k_{F}}{m^{*}} + \frac{E_{F}^{*}}{m^{*}}\right) \right]$$

One needs only 2 constants:

$$G_{\sigma} = \left(\frac{g_{\sigma}}{m_{\sigma}}\right)^2 = 11,75 \text{ fm}^2$$
 $G_{\omega} = \left(\frac{g_{\omega}}{m_{\omega}}\right)^2 = 8,61 \text{ fm}^2$

Relativistic Pairing:

One has to quantize the meson fields:

Fermion fields:

Boson fields:

Interaction:

$$\int d^{3}r \,\hat{\overline{\psi}}(\alpha \,p - \beta m)\hat{\psi}$$
$$\sum_{\mu} \omega^{\mu} a_{\mu}^{+} a_{\mu}$$
$$-\sum_{\mu} \hat{\overline{\psi}} \Gamma^{\mu} \hat{\psi} \,\hat{\phi}_{\mu}$$



neglect retardation

Eliminate the meson operators:

$$\hat{\phi}_{\mu}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{g_{\mu}}{4\pi} \int d^3 r' \frac{e^{-m_{\mu}|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}|}}{|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}|} \hat{\overline{\psi}}(\mathbf{r}') \Gamma^{\mu} \hat{\psi}(\mathbf{r}')$$

Formulation in Green's functions:

Gorkov factorization

$$\left\langle \Psi_{1}^{+}\Psi_{2}^{+}\Psi_{3}\Psi_{4}\right\rangle \approx \left\langle \Psi_{1}^{+}\Psi_{4}\right\rangle \left\langle \Psi_{2}^{+}\Psi_{3}\right\rangle - \left\langle \Psi_{1}^{+}\Psi_{3}\right\rangle \left\langle \Psi_{2}^{+}\Psi_{4}\right\rangle + \left\langle \Psi_{1}^{+}\Psi_{2}^{+}\right\rangle \left\langle \Psi_{3}\Psi_{4}\right\rangle$$

direct term exchange term pairing term

Relativistic HFB equations:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{h} & \hat{\Delta} \\ -\hat{\Delta}^* & -\hat{h}^* \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} U_k(\mathbf{r}) \\ V_k(\mathbf{r}) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} U_k(\mathbf{r}) \\ V_k(\mathbf{r}) \end{pmatrix} E_k$$

$$\hat{h} = \vec{\alpha} (\vec{p} - \vec{V}) + V + \beta (m - S)$$

$$\hat{\Delta} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\Delta}_{++} & \hat{\Delta}_{+-} \\ \Delta_{-+} & \hat{\Delta}_{--} \end{pmatrix} = \beta \Delta_s + \Delta_0 + \vec{\alpha} \vec{\Delta}$$

$$\Delta_{ab}(\vec{r},\vec{r}') = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{c,d} V^{pp}_{abcd}(\vec{r},\vec{r}') \kappa_{cd}(\vec{r},\vec{r}')$$



Pairing in nuclear matter:

$$^{1}S_{0}$$
 – Channel

RMF+BCS Gap equation: $\Delta = v \kappa = v uv$

$$\Delta(p) = -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \int_0^\infty v_{pp}(p,k) \frac{\Delta(k)}{\sqrt{(\varepsilon(k) - \lambda)^2 + \Delta^2(k)}} k^2 dk$$

$$v_{pp}^{\omega}(p,k) = \frac{g_{\omega}^2}{2E^*(p)E^*(k)} \frac{m^{*2} + p^2 + k^2 - (E^*(p) - E^*(k))^2}{pk} \ln\left(\frac{(p+k)^2 + m_{\omega}^2}{(p-k)^2 + m_{\omega}^2}\right)$$





All relativistic forces, e.g. NL1, NL2, ... overestimate nuclear pairing by a factor 3, because they do not have a cut off in momentum space

H. Kucharek, P. Ring, and P. Schuck, Z. Phys. A334 (1989) 119



free NN-forces, which reproduce the phase shift in the 150 channel, give pairing similar to the Gogny force

M. Serra, A. Rummel, P. Ring, PRC 65 (2002) 014304

M. Serra, A. Rummel, P. Ring, PRC 65 (2002) 014304



contributions of the various meson fields in the B-potential to pairing

Relativistic structure of pairing





M. Serra, P. Ring, PRC 65 (2002) 064324

Relativistic Hartree Bogoliubov (RHB):

A	E/A		E/A E _{pair}		ir
	expt.	RHB	Gogny	RHB	Gogny
112	-8.513	-8.558	-8.419	-22.84	-19.04
116	-8.523	-8.563	-8.437	-22.75	-19.39
120	-8.505	-8.538	-8.417	-21.89	-17.92
124	-8.467	-8.487	-8.378	-19.68	-14.94
128	-8.418	-8.414	-8.326	-13.97	-9.45
132	-8.355	-8.319	-8.283	0.00	0.00



 $E[\rho,\kappa] = E_{RMF}[\rho] + E_{Gogny}[\kappa]$

T. Gonzales-Llarena, J.L. Egido, G.A. Lalazissis, P. Ring PLB 379 (1996) 13

Conclusions part I:

- 1) density functional theory is in principle exact
- 2) microscopic derivation of E(p) very difficult
- 3) Lorentz symmetry gives essential constraints
 - large spin orbit splitting
 - relativistic saturation
 - unified theory of time-odd fields
- 4) pairing effects are non-relativisitic

Content II

Ground state properties

- * nuclear matter
- * masses, radii, deformations
- * shell quenching
- * neutron skins and halo phenomena
- * proton emitters
- * superheavy elements

Vibrational excitations

- * breathing modes (incompressibility)
- * giant dipole modes (symmetry energy)
- * pygmy resonances
- * isobaric analog resonances
- * Gamov-Teller resonances



J.D. Walecka, Ann.Phys. (NY) 83, (1974) 491

Effective density dependence:

non-linear potential:

NL1,NL3..

Boguta and Bodmer, NPA. 431, 3408 (1977)

$$\frac{1}{2}m_{\sigma}^2\sigma^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad U(\sigma) = \frac{1}{2}m_{\sigma}^2\sigma^2 + \frac{1}{3}g_2\sigma^3 + \frac{1}{4}g_3\sigma^4$$

density dependent coupling constants:

R.Brockmann and H.Toki, PRL 68, 3408 (1992) S.Typel and H.H.Wolter, NPA 656, 331 (1999)

new

$$g_o, g_\omega, g_\rho \Rightarrow g_o(\rho), g_\omega(\rho), g_\rho(\rho)$$

 $g \rightarrow g(\rho(r))$



Parameterization of denstiy dependence










Relativistic Hartree Bogoliubov theory (RHB)

Ground-state properties of weakly bound nuclei far from stability Unified description of mean-field and pairing correlations



Ground state properties of finite nuclei



DD-ME1

rms-deviations:masses: $\Delta m = 900 \text{ keV}$ radii: $\Delta r = 0.015 \text{ fm}$

Lalazissis, Niksic, Vretenar, Ring, PRC submitted



ground state properties of Ni and Sn isotopes

Lalazissis, Vretenar, Ring, Phys. Rev. C57, 2294 (1998)

combination of the NL3 effective interaction for the RMF Lagrangian, and the Gogny interaction with the parameter set D1S in the pairing channel.



reduction of the spin-orbit potential

The spin-orbit potential originates from the addition of two large fields: the field of the vector mesons (short range repulsion), and the scalar field of the sigma meson (intermediate attraction).

$$V_{s.o.} \approx \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} V_{ls}(r)$$

 $V_{ls} = \frac{m}{m_{eff}} (V + S)$

spin-orbit partners





Shape coexistence in the deformed N=28 region

Lalazissis, Vretenar, Ring, Stoitsov, Robledo, Phys. Rev. C60, 014310 (1999)

W RHB description of neutron rich N=28 nuclei. NL3+D15 effective interaction.

Strong suppression of the spherical N=28 shell gap.

1f7/2 -> fp core breaking III

 \sum_{i}

Shape coexistence



Neutron single-particle levels for ⁴²Si, ⁴⁴S, and ⁴⁶Ar as functions of the quadrupole deformation. The energies in the canonical basis correspond to ground-state RHB solutions with constrained quadrupole deformation.



Evolution of the shell structure, shell gaps and magicity with neutron number!



proton- and neutron skins



Neutron halo's



Mean field theory of halo's: (RHB in the continuum)

advantages:

- * residual interaction by pairing
- * self-consistent description
- * universal parameters
- * polarization of the core
- * treatment of the continuum

problems:

*center of mass motion*boudary conditions at infinity

Densities in Li-isotopes

J. Meng and P. Ring , PRL 77, 3963 (1996) J. Meng and P. Ring , PRL 80, 460 (1998)



rel. Hartree-Bogoliubov in the continuum density dependent δ-pairing





J. Meng and P. Ring , PRL 77, 3963 (1996)





Nuclei at the proton drip line:

Vretenar, Lalazissis, Ring, Phys.Rev.Lett. 82, 4595 (1999)

characterized by exotic ground-state decay modes such as the direct emission of charged particles and β -decays with large Q-values.









Exp: Yu.Ts.Oganessian *et al*, PRC 69, 021601(R) (2004)

Superheavy elements: Quadrupole deformations





Time dependent mean field theory:

$$\delta \int dt \left\{ \left\langle \Phi(t) \left| i \partial_{t} \right| \Phi(t) \right\rangle - E[\hat{\rho}(t)] \right\} = 0$$
$$i \partial_{t} \hat{\rho} = \left[\hat{h}(\hat{\rho}) + \hat{f}, \hat{\rho} \right]$$

$$i\partial_{t}\Psi_{i}(t) = \left(\vec{\alpha}\left(\frac{1}{i}\vec{\nabla}-\vec{V}\right) + V + \beta(m-S)\right)\Psi_{i}(t)$$
No-sea approxim. !
$$\begin{bmatrix} -\Delta + m_{\sigma}^{2} \end{bmatrix}\sigma(t) = -g_{\sigma}\rho_{s}(t) \qquad \rho_{s} = \sum_{i=1}^{A}\overline{\Psi_{i}}\Psi_{i}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\Delta + m_{\omega}^{2} \end{bmatrix}\omega_{0}(t) = g_{\omega}\rho_{B}(t) \qquad \rho_{B} = \sum_{i=1}^{A}\Psi_{i}^{+}\Psi_{i}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\Delta + m_{\omega}^{2} \end{bmatrix}\vec{\omega}(t) = g_{\omega}\vec{j}_{B}(t) \qquad \vec{j}_{B} = \sum_{i=1}^{A}\overline{\Psi_{i}}\vec{\omega}\Psi_{i}$$

and similar equations for the p- and A-field

 $\Phi(t) r^2 \Phi(t)$

breathing mode: ²⁰⁸Pb





D. Vretenar et al., PRE 56(1997) 6418



the same effective interaction determines the Dirac-Hartree single-particle spectrum and the residual interaction



Isoscalar Giant Monopole Resonance: IS-GMR



Isovector Giant Dipole Resonance: IV-GDR



DD-ME2

IV-GDR in Sn-isotopes





Photoneutron Cross Sections for Unstable Neutron-Rich Oxygen Isotopes

A. Leistenschneider, T. Aumann, K. Boretzky, D. Cortina, J. Cub, U. Datta Pramanik, W. Dostal, Th. W. Elze, H. Emling, H. Geissel, A. Grünschloß, M. Hellstr, R. Holzmann, S. Ilievski, N. Iwasa, M. Kaspar, A. Kleinböhl, J. V. Kratz, R. Kulessa, Y. Leifels, E. Lubkiewicz, G. Münzenberg, P. Reiter, M. Reimund, C. Scheidenberger, C. Schlegel, H. Simon, J. Stroth, K. Sümmerer, E. Wajda, W. Walús, and S. Wan Institut für Kernphysik, Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität, D-60486 Frankfurt, Germany Gesellschaft für Schwerionenforschung (GSI), D-64291 Darmstadt, Germanv Institut für Kernchemie, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität, D-55099 Mainz, Germany Institut für Kernphysik, Technische Universität, D-64289 Darmstadt, Germany Instytut Fizyki, Uniwersytet JagellońSki, PL-30-059 Kraków, Poland Sektion Physik, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, D-85748 Garching, Germany (Received 19 December 2000)

The dipole response of stable and unstable neutron-rich oxygen nuclei of masses A=17 to A=22 Has been investigated experimentally utilizing electromagnetic excitation in heavy-ion collisions at beam energies about 600 MeV/nucleon. A kinematically complete measurement of the neutron decay channel in inelastic scattering of the secondary beam projectiles from a Pb target was performed. Differential electromagnetic excitation cross sections $d\sigma/dE$ were derived up to 30 MeV excitation energy. In contrast to stable nuclei, the deduced dipole strength distribution appears to be strongly fragmented and systematically exhibits a considerable fraction of low-lying strength.

The study of the response of a clear or electromagneticeld is the properties of the nuclear r citation energies above the par response of stable nuclei is dor tions of various multipolarities. the giant resonance strength stable to exotic weakly bound n to-proton ratios is presently un For neutron-rich nuclei, mode nounced effects, in particula strength towards lower excitati giant resonance region. The p depend strongly on the effectiv lations. In turn, measurements response of exotic nuclei can tion on the isospin depender nucleon-nucleon interaction [7

Systematic experimental inf response of exotic nuclei, how For some light halo nuclei, low observed in electromagnetic [8-11]. For the one-neutron h C [11], the observed dipole tation energies was interpreted threshold effect, involving nor valence neutron into the contin He and Li, a coherent dipol neutrons against the core was The appearance of a collectiv general was predicted for her [19,20], located at excitation dipole resonance (GDR) [19].





for O16 (upper panel) and for the unstable isotopes 20.22 O (lower panels) as extracted from the measured electromagnetic excitation cross section (symbols). The inset displays the cross section for near the neutron threshold on an expanded energy scale. The thresholds for decay channels involving protons (which were not observed in the present experiment) are indicated by arrows.

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In heavier nuclei low-lying dipole states appear that are characterized by a more distributed structure of the RQRPA amplitude.

Among several single-particle transitions, a single collective dipole state is found below 10 MeV and its amplitude represents a coherent superposition of many neutron particle-hole configurations.
Spin-Isospin Resonances: IAR - GTR



Spin-Isospin Resonances: IAS and GTR

charge-exchange excitations



 π and p-meson exchange generate the spin-isospin dependent interaction terms

$$\mathcal{L}_{\pi N} = -\frac{f_{\pi}}{m_{\pi}} \bar{\psi} \gamma_5 \gamma_{\mu} \partial^{\mu} \vec{\pi} \vec{\tau} \psi$$

the Landau-Migdal zero-range force in the spin-isospin channel

$$V(1,2) = g'_0 \left(\frac{f_\pi}{m_\pi}\right)^2 \vec{\tau}_1 \cdot \vec{\tau}_2 \ \Sigma_1 \cdot \Sigma_2 \ \delta(r_1 - r_2) \qquad (g'_0=0.55)$$

GAMOW-TELLER RESONANCE: S=1 T=1 J^{\pi} = 1⁺

ISOBARIC ANALOG STATE: S=0 T=1 J^{π} = 0⁺



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Isobaric Analog Resonance: IAR

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Neutron skin and IAR/GRT



spacings between the GTR and IAS



direct information on the evolution of the neutron skin along the Sn isotopic chain



nuclei at high large angular velocities:





How to describe rotating nuclei?



Rigid rotor: rotational excitation energies E(I) obey 'the I(I+1) rule'; I is spin

$$E(I) = \frac{\hbar^2}{2J}I(I+1)$$

J is moment of inertia

 Nuclei do not rotate as rigid bodies
 Quantum mechanics forbids collective rotation around the symmetry axis

Laboratory frame: potential V is time-dependent Rotating frame: potential V* is time-independent

Transformation to rotating frame \rightarrow CRANKING MODEL

$$<\Psi | \hat{J}_{x} | \Psi >= \sqrt{I(I+1)} \qquad \langle \Psi | \hat{J}_{x} | \Psi \rangle = \sum_{i} \langle i | \hat{j}_{x} | i \rangle$$
$$\hat{H} = \hat{H} - \Omega \hat{J}_{x}$$

The cranked relativistic Hartree+Bogoliubov theory

1. The CRHB equations for the fermions in the rotating frame (one-dimensional cranking approximation)

$$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{h}_D - \lambda_\tau - \Omega \hat{J}_x & \hat{\Delta} \\ - \hat{\Delta}^* & \hat{h}_D + \lambda_\tau + \Omega \hat{J}_x \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} U_k \\ V_k \end{pmatrix} = E_k \begin{pmatrix} U_k \\ V_k \end{pmatrix}$$
Coriolis term

$$\hat{h}_D = \alpha(-i\vec{\nabla} - \vec{V}(\vec{r})) + V_0(\vec{r}) + \beta(m - S(\vec{r}))$$

Magnetic potential

-space-like

$$\vec{V}(\vec{r}) = g_{\omega}\vec{\omega}(\vec{r}) + g_{\rho}\tau_{3}\vec{\rho}(\vec{r}) + e\frac{1-\tau_{3}}{2}\vec{A}(\vec{r})$$
-space-like components of vector mesons
-behaves in Dirac equation like a magnetic field

Nuclear magnetism

2. Klein-Gordon equations for mesons:

$$\left\{ -\Delta - (\Omega \hat{L}_{x})^{2} + m_{\omega}^{2} \right\} \omega_{0}(\vec{r}) = g_{\omega} \rho_{V}^{is}(\vec{r})$$

$$\left\{ -\Delta - (\Omega \hat{L}_{x})^{2} + m_{\sigma}^{2} \right\} \sigma(\vec{r}) = -g_{\sigma} \rho_{S}(\vec{r}) - g_{2} \sigma^{2}(\vec{r}) - g_{3} \sigma^{3}(\vec{r})$$

$$\left\{ -\Delta - (\Omega (\hat{L}_{x} + S_{x}))^{2} + m_{\omega}^{2} \right\} \vec{\omega}(\vec{r}) = g_{\omega} j^{is}(\vec{r})$$

Two sources of time-reversal symmetry breaking:

Coriolis term

 magnetic potential
 magnetic potential
 fields in non-relativistic theory



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TOWARD THE UNIVERSAL ENERGY DENSITY FUNCTIONAL

Structure of heavy neutron-rich nuclei



Covariant Density Functional Theory

Next generation universal energy density functionals constrained by bulk properties of nuclei, nuclear excitations, nuclear and neutron matter EOS -> microscopic description of.

- ground-state properties of all nuclei
- extended asymmetric nuclear matter
- low-energy vibrations
- rotational spectra
- small-amplitude vibrations
- large-amplitude adiabatic properties

- Applications in astrophysics
- r-process
- supernova explosions
- neutrino-matrix-elements

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