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(today I have more questions than answers)

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- What theory do we want to compare with, and why?
- How do we make the measurements, and why?
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OUTLINE of TALK

- Address each of these questions, in order TE
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- Be very brief with experimental methods
- Regarding interpretation, illustrate with our experiments at SPIRAL and ISAC

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MOTIVATION: Monopole Shift and its impact on structure far from stability



MOTIVATION: means different things to different people, which has implications



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CONFRONTING THEORY: in the case of the structure motivation...



Is the answer different

- For nuclear structure?
- For astrophysics?

Is the identification of all of the SP strength for (I,j) needed? i.e.

- Do we measure SPEs ? Or
- Do we measure individual states?



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EXPERIMENTAL CHOICES for STUDYING SINGLE PARTICLE EVOLUTION

Why would we choose nucleon transfer? ... is transfer the BEST way to isolate and study single particle structure and its evolution in exotic nuclei?

Transfer – decades of (positive) experience

Removal – high cross section, similar outputs, needs occupied orbitals



(e,e'p) – a bit ambitious for general RIB application

(p,p'p) – more practical than (e,e'p) for RIB now, does have problems

CERTAINLY, it's a GOOD way

Also: Heavy Ion transfer (⁹Be), not just (d,p) ^{3,4}He-induced reactions

CHOICE of ENERGY of RADIOACTIVE BEAMS in INVERSE KINEMATICS



Calculated differential cross sections show that 10 MeV/A is good (best?)

EXPERIMENTAL SOLUTIONS for (weak) RADIOACTIVE BEAMS (in inverse kinematics)



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Spectroscopic Factor Shell Model: overlap of $|\psi(N+1)\rangle$ with $|\psi(N)\rangle_{core} \otimes n(\ell j)$ Reaction: the observed yield is not just proportional to this, because the overlap integral has a radial-dependent weighting or sampling

Many-body theory of $d+A(N,Z) \to B(N+1,Z)+p$

overlap integral

spectroscopic factor

$$\begin{split} \phi_n^{BA}(\vec{r}_n) &= \sqrt{N+1} \int d\xi_A \phi_B^*(\xi_A, \vec{r}_n) \phi_A(\xi_A) \\ S^{AB} &= \int d\vec{r}_n \mid \phi_n^{AB}(\vec{r}_n) \mid^2 \\ T_{d,p} &= \langle \chi_p^{(-)} \phi_n^{BA} \mid V_{np} \mid \Psi_{\vec{K}_d} \rangle \end{split}$$

Hence the **observed yield** depends on the radial wave function and thus it depends on the geometry of the assumed potential well or other structure model

... this is illustrated in the following slide...



Is the effective well geometry even the same for all orbitals?

(coupled channels treatments address this)



- **MY ANSWER:**
- Don't use "traditional" method of calculating weighted SPE

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- Do use the "traditional" SF that can be compared to SM
- Use SM SF to associate experimental and SM states
- Use this to refine SM residual interaction
- Gain improved understanding of important structural effects

REMARKS ABOUT INTERPRETING (d,p) TRANSFER



THE SPECTROSCOPIC FACTOR HAS TWO (at least!) PROBLEMS:



Do we want to measure the "quenched" (= "real") or the "shell model" (= "comparable") SF ?

Or do we just want to compare directly the cross section strength calculated using an <u>overlap integral</u> based on a <u>structure model</u> with the observed cross section, and thereby assess the model?

REMARKS ABOUT INTERPRETING (d,p) TRANSFER

Geometry Correlations Desire <u>Relatives</u>

ARE RELATIVE SF'S MORE ACCURATE THAN ABSOLUTE? ... ALWAYS?



If not, um... really? Can we really believe the quenching measured with transfer SF's ? As much as for knockout?

If not, what about astrophysics ?

A little extra warning from our 11Be(p,d)10Be experiment PL B461 (1999) 22



The relative magnitudes of the s- and d-wave form factors can be changed by changing the potential geometry OR by using a core excitation model and solving the coupled equations. The two have subtly different effects

NB: INPUT OF ACTUAL STRUCTURE WAVEFUNCTIONS (DIRECT INPUT OF OVERLAP INTEGRAL INTO CALCULATION)



Vocabulary BCO: Ken Amos

PLAN ADOPTED for present work

- Use **transfer reactions** to identify strong single-particle states, measuring their spins and strengths
- Use the energies of these states to compare with theory
- Refine the theory
- Improve the extrapolation to very exotic nuclei
- Hence learn the structure of very exotic nuclei
- N.B. The **shell model** is arguably the best theoretical approach for us to confront with our results, but it's **not the only one**. The experiments are needed, no matter which theory we use.
- N.B. Transfer (as opposed to knockout) allows us to study orbitals that are empty, so **we don't need** quite such exotic beams.

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EXAMPLE: SOME ACTUAL RESULTS

SPIRAL radioactive beam ²⁴Ne @ 10.5 A MeV on 1 $mg/cm^2 CD_2 target$



ground state

W.N. Catford et al., J. Phys. G 31 (2005) S1655 W.N. Catford et al., PRL 104, 192501 (2010)



EXAMPLE: SOME ACTUAL RESULTS

Results for ²⁴Ne(d,p)²⁵Ne*

bound excited states



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ANOTHER WORD ON RESULTS

In ²⁵Ne the 3/2⁺ state was far from a pure SP state due to other couplings at higher energies, but it was clear enough in its ID and could be used to compare with its SM partner to improve the USD interaction

It is not always necessary to map the full SP strength which may be very much split and with radioactive beams it may not often be possible



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²⁷Ne IS THE NEXT ISOTONE

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²⁷Ne BOUND STATES

The target was $1 \text{ mg/cm}^2 \text{ CD}_2$ (thick, to compensate for 2500 pps)

Known bound states were selected by gating on the decay gamma-ray (and the ground state by subtraction)

> In these case, the spins had some information already known. The 3/2⁻ spin is confirmed.

The magnitude was the quantity to be measured.

On the topic of angular correlations...

25

20

15

BOUND STATES : $d(^{26}Ne,p)^{27}Ne$



(or, more exactly, the isotropy is independent of θ_n)





Figure 5.13: γ -ray angular distribution for the transition $3/2^-$ to $3/2^+$ in ²⁷Ne. The solid black lines represent the angular distribution that is isotropic in the centre of mass frame.

²⁷Ne BOUND STATES



Figure 5.15: Angular distribution for events gated on 765 keV γ -rays in ²⁷Ne. The EXOGAM photopeak efficiency for each proton angle bin was determined from GEANT4 simulations using calculated γ -ray angular distributions based on the J^{π} assumption of the state in ²⁷Ne. Superimposed are ADWA calculations for various final states in ²⁷Ne that have been scaled to the data by χ^2 fits. The J^{π} of the states shown are a) $1/2^+$ (ℓ =0), b) $3/2^-$ (ℓ =1), c) $3/2^+$ (ℓ =2) and d) $7/2^-$ (ℓ =3).





²⁷Ne UNBOUND STATES



²⁷Ne results

- level with main f_{7/2} strength is <u>unbound</u>
- excitation energy measured
- spectroscopic factor measured
- the $f_{7/2}$ and $p_{3/2}$ states are <u>inverted</u>
- this inversion also in ²⁵Ne experiment
- \bullet the natural width is just 3.5 \pm 1.0 keV



0.6(2)

0.3(1)

0.64(33)

0.17(14)

0.35(10)

0.67

0.17

0.40

0.765

0.885

1.74

0.809

0.869

1.686

 $3/2^{-}$

 $1/2^{+}$

 $7/2^{-}$

²⁷Ne results

- we have been able to reproduce the observed energies with a modified <u>WBP interaction</u>, full 1hw SM calculation
- the <u>SFs agree</u> well also
- most importantly, the new interaction works well for ²⁹Mg, ²⁵Ne also
- so we need to understand why an <u>ad hoc lowering</u> of the fp-shell by 0.7 MeV is required by the data!

Preliminary results for ²⁶Ne(d,t)²⁵Ne and also (p,d)



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BOUND STATES: d(²⁰O,p)²¹O (stripping)



ADWA

Adiabatic Distorted Wave Approximation

Deuteron Continuum Effects to all orders R.C. Johnson & P.J.R. Soper (1970)



+ first **measure** of **1/2**⁺ state's spin (previously inferred; Catford et al, NPA 1989)

BOUND STATES: d(²⁰O,t)¹⁹O (pick-up)



Full strength for $Od_{5/2}$ and $1s_{1/2}$ measured !





v1s1/2 partially occupied in ²⁰O : correlations

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) 35 Angle CM (deg)

10-1

5

10

UNBOUND STATES: $d(^{20}O,p)^{21}O \rightarrow ^{20}O + n$



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PERIPHERAL-MODEL APPROACH TO STRIPPING INTO RESONANT STATES

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form of the theoretical angular distributions

essentially independent of l_n

In some cases the form of the theoretical angular distributions is essentially independent of l_n so that varying L one may obtain practically the same angular distributions for various l_n . This circumstance makes it difficult to obtain the spectroscopic information from the stripping data alone[†].

[†] Similar difficulty appears in the analysis of stripping to a resonant state in the Butler theory ⁵¹) and DWBA ⁸).

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 $d\sigma/d\Omega_{p} \approx \hbar^{-2} \Gamma \mu_{An} k_{An} (E_{R}) [d\sigma^{F}(E_{R})/d\Omega_{p}]$

SEPTEMBER 1970

New Method for Distorted-Wave Analysis of Stripping to Unbound States*

C. M. Vincent and H. T. Fortune[†] Argonne National Laboratory, Argonne, Illinois 60439

Formalism used in present work

UNBOUND STATES: $d(^{20}O,p)^{21}O \rightarrow ^{20}O + n$ (stripping)



- Vincent & Fortune reaction model shown
- Also, discretized continuum calculations
- Agreement seen, in this case
- From V&F method, the natural width is extracted from the magnitude of the cross section
- This width needs to be consistent with the observed width (if that is not masked by experimental resolution)

OXYGEN BOUND AND UNBOUND STATES: d(²⁰O,p)²¹O

B. Fernandez Dominguez et al., Accepted as PRC Rapid Communication



OXYGEN BOUND AND UNBOUND STATES: d(²⁰O,p)²¹O



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ZERO DEGREE = SCINTILLATOR



RESULTS from SHARC Aug2009

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- This work is motivated by nuclear structure, which affects our choices
- We choose to use traditional transfer at ISOL energies to measure states
- We are presently comparing our extracted SFs directly with SM values
- We adopt ADWA for (d,p) with a set of "standard parameters" to allow this
- This allows us to compare SM states directly with experiment
- The ¹¹Be experiment compared with overlap integrals from structure model
- Other reactions using 4He, 3He etc require DWBA or related methods
- For bound states, we are (re-)developing gamma-correlation methods
- For unbound states, we need better reaction methods: CDCC
- Unbound states have less distinctive angular distributions to deduce ell
- Because we can study empty orbitals, we don't need such exotic beams
- The experimental techniques are there, and just await the beams

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