



# Reaction Dynamics for Light Dripline Nuclei

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# Entering the world of exotic nuclei: probing the unbound by walking at the drip line.



- Is there a life beyond the dripline?
- How can we discover it without getting lost?
- Extend our understanding of the *residual* nuclear force.
- Check the limits of validity of structure models such as the SHELL MODEL or "ab initio" models.
- Challenges in breakup reaction theory.

#### Breakup

### Transfer to continuum states (inclusive reaction)

Kinematics and phase space ++ Single particle state properties (shell model)

#### Fragmentation reaction (coincidence)

Let us start with a two neutron halo nucleus like  $^{11}\mathrm{Li}$  or  $^{14}\mathrm{Be}$ 





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 $k_2 - k_1 = k_z$  $\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_i = mv^2/2$ 

#### Coulomb breakup (inclusive or coincidence)



Proton Coulomb breakup : core recoil + direct term



## A consistent formalism for all breakup reaction mechanisms

The core-target movement is treated in a semiclassical way, but neutron-target and/or neutron-core with a full QM method. AB and DM Brink, PRC38, 1776 (1988), PRC43, 299 (1991), PRC44, 1559 (1991).

Early eikonal model: I. Tanihata, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 35, 505 (1995), halo-core decoupling.



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# Transfer to the continuum: from resonances to knockout reactions

First order time dependent perturbation theory amplitude: \*\*

$$A_{fi} = \frac{1}{i\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt < \phi_f(\mathbf{r}) |V(\mathbf{r})| \phi_i(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}(t)) > e^{-i(\omega t - mvz/\hbar)}$$
(1)  

$$\omega = \varepsilon_i - \varepsilon_f + \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \qquad \mathbf{R}(t) = \mathbf{b_c} + vt$$
  

$$\frac{dP_{-n}(b_c)}{d\varepsilon_f} = \frac{1}{8\pi^3} \frac{m}{\hbar^2 k_f} \frac{1}{2l_i + 1} \Sigma_{m_i} |A_{fi}|^2$$
  

$$\approx \frac{4\pi}{2k_f^2} \Sigma_{j_f} (2j_f + 1)(|1 - \bar{S}_{j_f}|^2 + 1 - |\bar{S}_{j_f}|^2) \mathcal{F},$$

 $\phi_f \text{ see } (*)$ 

$$\mathcal{F} = (1 + F_{l_f, l_i, j_f, j_i}) B_{l_f, l_i} \qquad B_{l_f, l_i} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{k_f}{m v_o^2} \right] |C_i|^2 \frac{e^{-2\eta b_c}}{2\eta b_c} M_{l_f l_i} \qquad B_{l_f, l_i} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{k_f}{m v_o^2} \right] |C_i|^2 \frac{e^{-2\eta b_c}}{2\eta b_c} M_{l_f l_i}$$

## Final continuum wave functions

(\*) Final continuum state:

$$\phi_{l_f}(\mathbf{r}) = C_f k \frac{i}{2} (h_{l_f}^{(+)}(kr) - \bar{S}_{l_f} h_{l_f}^{(-)}(kr)) Y_{l_f, m_f}(\Omega_f),$$

 $\bar{S}_{l_f}(\varepsilon_f)$  is an optical model (n-core in fragmentation reactions, n-target in knockout reactions) S-matrix.

#### Examples <sup>1</sup>

<sup>13</sup>Be puzzle

### <sup>13</sup>Be puzzle or of the "elusive 1/2+ state in Be isotopes



Our level sequence 2s1/2 a\_s=-0.8fm 1p1/2 1d5/2

#### Figure : (a) GSI, H. Simon et al. NPA791 (2007) 267.



(b) G. Randisi, N. Orr et al. Phys. Rev. C 89, 034320



Energies and widths of unbound p- and d-states in <sup>13</sup>Be and corresponding strength parameters for the  $\delta V$  potential

	$\varepsilon_{\rm res}~({\rm MeV})$	$\Gamma_j$ (MeV)	α (MeV)
$1p_{1/2}$	0.67	0.28	8.34
$1d_{5/2}$	2.0	0.40	-2.36



$$(d\delta_l/d\varepsilon)_{res}=2/\Gamma_j$$

G. Blanchon et al. PRC82, 034313 NPA A 784 (2007) 49

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# n-<sup>9</sup>Be optical potential: A.B & R.J. Charity, PRC89, 024619 (2014), data from https://www-nds.iaea.org/exfor/exfor.htm





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# Transfer to <sup>10</sup>Be resonances: missing mass experiment.

Paper in preparation

Diana Carbone, AB, Mariangela Bondì, F. Cappuzzello, M Cavallaro et al. MAGNEX Collaboration: 1n and 2n transfer experimental campaign



### **Kinematics**

From Eq.1 \*\* by the change of variables  $dtdxdydz \rightarrow dxdydzdz'$  $e^{-i(\omega t - mvz/\hbar)} \rightarrow e^{-ik_1z'}e^{ik_2z}$  neutron energies to neutron parallel momenta with respect to core

$$k_1 = \frac{\varepsilon_f - \varepsilon_i - \frac{1}{2}mv^2}{\hbar v};$$

to target

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$$k_2 = \frac{\varepsilon_f - \varepsilon_i + \frac{1}{2}mv^2}{\hbar v};$$

to core parallel momentum

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$$P_{//} = \sqrt{E_r^2 - M_r^2} = \sqrt{(T_r + M_r)^2 - M_r^2}$$
  
=  $\sqrt{(T_p + \varepsilon_i - \varepsilon_f)^2 + 2M_r(T_p + \varepsilon_i - \varepsilon_f)},$  (2)

breakup threshold at  $\varepsilon_f = 0$ 

Example "deformation" effects due to n-target interaction and kinematical cut-off. F. Flavigny, A. Obertelli, AB et al., PRL 108, 252501 (2012). \*\*



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### Asymmetries at high incident energy



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### Origin of kinematical cut-off (phase space) and deformation effects

PRC60(1999) 054604, PRC44(1991) 1559, AB and GF Bertsch, PRC63(2001) 044604, F. Flavigny, A. Obertelli, AB et al., PRL 108, 252501 (2012). (+)





FIG. 11. Initial-state momentum distributions in <sup>20</sup>Ne according to Eq. (2.3a). The solid curve is for the  $2s_{1/2}$  state, the dashed curve is the for  $1p_{1/2}$ , while the dotted curve is for the



Removal of a deeply bound n/p while the weakly bound p/n is un-touched \*



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reaction	S <sub>n</sub>	$S_p$	$E_{inc}^{(m)}$	$\sigma^{exp}$
	[MeV]	[MeV]	[A.MeV]	[mb]
${}^9C \rightarrow {}^8C$	14.25	1.3	63.8	3.
$^{36}$ Ca $\rightarrow$ $^{35}$ Ca	19.3	1.3	70	5
$^{13}$ O $\rightarrow$ $^{12}$ O	17.01	1.51	28.5	2.5
$^{33}CI \rightarrow ^{32}CI$	15.74	2.3	66.4	9
$^{32}$ Ar $\rightarrow$ $^{31}$ Ar	21.56	2.42	65.1	10.4
$^{28}S \rightarrow ^{27}S$	21.54	2.49	80.7	11.9
$^{24}$ Si $\rightarrow$ <sup>23</sup> Si	21.09	3.3	85.3	9.8
${}^{10}C \rightarrow {}^{9}C$	21.28	4.01	116.2	23.4
<sup>6</sup> Li → <sup>5</sup> Li	5.66	4.43	36.6	38.1
$^{14}$ <b>O</b> $\rightarrow$ $^{13}$ <b>O</b>	<del>23</del> :18	4.63	53	44
$^{34}$ Ar $\rightarrow ^{33}$ Ar	18.42	4.66	70	3.2
	18.86			4.9
$^7\text{Be}  ightarrow ^6\text{Be}$	10.68	5.6	65.2	28.1
<sup>57</sup> Ni → <sup>56</sup> Ni	10.25	7.3	70.2	22.7
	14.0			33.1
	15.04			
$^{32}$ S $\rightarrow$ $^{31}$ S	17.29	8.86	62.8	36
	10.5			
	0 00			61.0
$^{46}$ Ar $\rightarrow$ $^{45}$ Ar	8.56	18.64	70	3.6
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34c: 33c:	8.54	10.74	73 /	41
JI → JI	11 82		75.4	15
	11.02	19 64		15
$^{10}$ Be $\rightarrow$ $^{9}$ Be	6.81	22.33	77.8	69.5
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	1.22	21.08	71.2	100.8
15	7.31		4.00	27.4
<sup>13</sup> C → <sup>14</sup> C	8.21		103	6.5
	8.23			5.5
16	4.25			36.5
-°C → <sup>13</sup> C	4.99	22.50	15	46

$$\sigma = C^2 S \int_0^\infty d\mathbf{b}_c P_{-n}(b_c) (1 - P_{-p}(b_c)) P_{ct}(b_c)$$
$$e^{-P_{-p}} \approx 1 - P_{-p}(b_c)$$

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DPP from phase shift, AB, F. Carstoiu, NPA706, (2002) -typically  ${\sim}10\%$  reduction in the cross sections.

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▲ ■ ● ■ ● ○ へ ○ ARIS2014 16 / 25 Absolute cross sections Ratios

$$\sigma = \int d\xi \frac{d\sigma}{d\xi}$$

$$\sigma_{exp}/\sigma_{Theo}$$

have been used to validate spectroscopic factors C<sup>2</sup>S (=2j+1, in the IPM ) for single particle orbitals from shell model or "ab initio" calculations, when available. This is similar to what has traditionally been done for transfer. However in transfer the core-target interaction is treated almost exactly thanks to optical potentials fitted to the elastic scattering.

C. Barbieri PRL103, 202502 (2009)

The reactions for transfer of a nucleon to or from the initial state  $|\Psi_0^{0}\rangle$  depend on the overlap wave function [8,9]

$$\psi_{\alpha}^{A\pm1}(\mathbf{r}) = \langle \Psi_{\alpha}^{A\pm1} | \psi^{(\dagger)}(\mathbf{r}) | \Psi_{0}^{A} \rangle, \qquad (1)$$

where  $\alpha$  can label either particle or hole states, SFs are identified with the normalization integral of  $\psi_{\alpha}^{A\pm1}(\mathbf{r})$  and give a "measure" of what fraction of the final wave function,  $|\Psi_{\alpha}^{A\pm1}\rangle$ , can be factorized into a (correlated) core plus an independent particle or hole. Strong deviations from the independent particle model (IPM)—that is, a Slater determinant with fully occupied orbits—signal substantial correlations and imply the onset of nontrivial many-body dynamics. For stable nuclei, a large body of

#### neutron & proton $\rightarrow$ transfer vs breakup F. Flavigny et al., PRL110 ,122503 (2013)

TABLE I. The normalization  $C^2 S_{exp}$  for two OFs, phenomenological (WS) and microscopic (SCGF) [30]. For the WS OF, the  $r_0$  values were chosen to reproduce  $R_{ms}^{HFB}$ , except for <sup>16</sup>O for which  $R_{mst}$  was taken from (e, e'p) data (see text). The SFs  $C^2 S_{th}$  are obtained from shell-model calculations with the WBT interaction. In the second part, the analysis was performed with microscopic OFs and SFs. The two errors for  $C^2 S_{exp}$  and  $R_s$  are the experimental and analysis errors.

Reaction	<i>E</i> * (MeV)	$J^{\pi}$	R <sup>HFB</sup> (fm)	<i>r</i> <sub>0</sub> (fm)	$C^2 S_{exp}$ (WS)	$\begin{array}{c} C^2 S_{\mathrm{th}} \\ 0 p + 2 \hbar \omega \end{array}$	R <sub>s</sub> (WS)	C <sup>2</sup> S <sub>exp</sub> (SCGF)	$\frac{C^2 S_{\text{th}}}{(\text{SCGF})}$	R <sub>s</sub> (SCGF)
$^{14}O(d, t)$ $^{13}O$	0.00	3/2-	2.69	1.40	1.69 (17)(20)	3.15	0.54(5)(6)	1.89(19)(22)	3.17	0.60(6)(7)
<sup>14</sup> O (d, <sup>3</sup> He) <sup>13</sup> N	0.00	$1/2^{-}$	3.03	1.23	1.14(16)(15)	1.55	0.73(10)(10)	1.58(22)(2)	1.58	1.00(14)(1)
	3.50	$3/2^{-}$	2.77	1.12	0.94(19)(7)	1.90	0.49(10)(4)	1.00(20)(1)	1.90	0.53(10)(1)
$^{16}O(d, t)$ $^{15}O$	0.00	$1/2^{-}$	2.91	1.46	0.91(9)(8)	1.54	0.59(6)(5)	0.96(10)(7)	1.73	0.55(6)(4)
<sup>16</sup> O ( <i>d</i> , <sup>3</sup> He) <sup>15</sup> N [19,20]	0.00	$1/2^{-}$	2.95	1.46	0.93(9)(9)	1.54	0.60(6)(6)	1.25(12)(5)	1.74	0.72(7)(3)
	6.32	$3/2^{-}$	2.80	1.31	1.83(18)(24)	3.07	0.60(6)(8)	2.24(22)(10)	3.45	0.65(6)(3)
<sup>18</sup> O ( <i>d</i> , <sup>3</sup> He) <sup>17</sup> N [21]	0.00	$1/2^{-}$	2.91	1.46	0.92(9)(12)	1.58	0.58(6)(10)			

TABLE I: Summary of one-nucleon knockout results from <sup>14</sup>O at 53 MeV/nucleon. The calculated inclusive cross sections  $\sigma_{TC}$  from the transfer-to-the-continuum approach are shown and compared to the measured ( $\sigma_{exp}$ ) cross sections. Theoretical spectroscopic factors  $C^2S$  are calculated with the WBT interaction [?]. Reduction factors are indicated and defined as  $R_f$  in order to distinguish from the strong absorption radius notation ( $R_s$ ).

Res.	E	$J^{\pi}$	$\sigma_{exp}$	$C^2S$	$\sigma_{sp}$	$\sigma_{sp}(no_p)$	$\sigma_{TC}$	$\sigma_{TC}(no_p)$	$\mathbf{R}_{f}$
	(MeV)		(mb)		(mb)	(mb)	(mb)	(mb)	
<sup>13</sup> N	0.0	$1/2^{-}$	58(4)	1.83	34.18		53		0.91
<sup>13</sup> O	0.0	$3/2^{-}$	14(1)	3.15	10.94	8.6	34.47	27.1	0.52

## Proton unbound nuclei via invariant mass method

Interest: Two-proton radioactivity vs. 2n-halo by isospin symmetry <sup>5</sup>He, <sup>6</sup>He, <sup>8</sup>He, <sup>12</sup>Be and IMME



<sup>6</sup>Li,<sup>7</sup>Be,<sup>9</sup>C,<sup>13</sup>O studied by knockout of a deeply bound **neutron**:

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R. J. Charity & HiRA collaboration

Beyond the drip line



# Structure inputs: Shell model and "ab initio" Variational MonteCarlo

SF<sub>SM</sub> by Mihai Horoi, private communication.

SF<sub>VMC</sub> from R. Wiringa website http://www.phy.anl.gov/theory/research/overlap/, ANC<sub>VMC</sub> from Kenneth M. Nollett and R. B. Wiringa, PRC83, 041001(R) (2011).

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	$S_n$ MeV	$ANC_{WS}$ fm <sup>-1/2</sup>	$\mathrm{SF}_{SM}$	$ANC_{VMC}$ fm <sup>-1/2</sup>	$SF_{VMC}$	$S_p$ MeV	$ANC_{WS}$ fm <sup>-1/2</sup>	$\mathrm{SF}_{SM}$	$ANC_{VMC}$ fm <sup>-1/2</sup>	$SF_{VMC}$
	1110 1					1110 1				
$\langle {}^{6}Li {}^{5}Li\rangle$	5.66	2.85	$p_{1/2} \ 0.3301$		$p_{1/2} \ 0.20463$	4.59	2.66			p <sub>1/2</sub> 0.21363
		2.89	$p_{3/2} 0.3384$		p <sub>3/2</sub> 0.30566		2.36			p <sub>3/2</sub> 0.31905
$\langle ^7Be ^6Be \rangle$	10.68			12 1		5.61		$p_{1/2} \ 0.2523$	1.652	$p_{1/2} 0.2423$
		5.72	p <sub>3/2</sub> 0.5990	3.68(5.55)	$p_{3/2} 0.4389$			$p_{3/2}0.4888$	1.89	p <sub>3/2</sub> 0.4727
$\langle {}^{9}C {}^{8}C\rangle$	14.25				100000000	1.3	000000	p1/2 0.0154	0.309	p <sub>1/2</sub> 0.1092
		8.1	p <sub>3/2</sub> 0.8673	5.99(7.9)	$p_{3/2} = 0.5727$		1.33	p <sub>3/2</sub> 0.9557	1.13	p <sub>3/2</sub> 0.9933
$\langle {}^{9}C {}^{8}B_{IAS}\rangle$		C				11.915				p <sub>3/2</sub> 0.16049
$\langle {}^{9}Li   {}^{8}Li_{IAS} \rangle$	14.89	6.3			p <sub>3/2</sub> 0.15754					
$\langle ^{13}O ^{12}O\rangle$	17					1.5		$p_{1/2} 0.5844$		
			p3/2 0.4990					p3/2 0.0670		

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	Einc	$\sigma_{exp}$	$\sigma_{-n}$	$\sigma_{-p}$	$\sigma_{-n_{nop}}$	r <sub>s</sub>
	A.MeV	mb	mb	mb	mb	fm
$\langle {}^{6}Li {}^{5}Li angle$	36.6	38.1	44.53	47.41	38.5	1.53
$\langle Be ^{\mathfrak{o}}Be \rangle$	65.2	28.1	34.14	15.22	27.5	1.38
$\langle {}^{9}C {}^{8}C\rangle$	63.8	3.		1.57(-1p <sub>CB</sub> )		1.4
			9.8	19.3 (22.3)	4.48	1.59
$\langle {}^{9}C {}^{8}B_{IAS}\rangle$	64.4	1.24				1.4
$\langle {}^{9}Li {}^{8}Li_{IAS} angle$			1.47			1.4
$\langle ^{13}O ^{12}O angle$	28.5	2.5		2.32(-1p <sub>CB</sub> )		1.5
			3.9	1.9	3.6	

 $(-1p_{CB})$  direct proton Coulomb breakup

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#### Conclusions

- Inclusive breakup reactions are dominated by final state interaction with the target at small incident energy: use as surrogate reaction
- At intermediate incident energy: strong interplay between projectile and target characteristics: "deformed' momentum distributions and cutoff effects. PROTON TARGET? see A. Obertelli and T. Aumann talks
- .... by the valence particle projectile momentum distribution at high incident energy: information on angular momentum of the initial state and possible dynamical core-target excitations
- Coincidence experiments of breakup particle experiments (using invariant mass method ) are more INdependent on incident energy but possible dependence on the initial state: necessity to link with methods discussed above and angular correlation of the decaying particles... : one the most interesting experiment to make...and interpret? Can enlighten different channels and reaction mechanisms.
- IN ADDITION
- Elastic scattering experiments and or total reaction cross section measurements: they can tell us about the typical interaction distances and help fixing the optical potentials.
- In the future more and more strongly bound nuclei will be studied at lower energies at ISOL-type facilities. In Europe: HI-Isolde, SPES, Spiral2, EURISOL (?).

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- Ravinder Kumar
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- R. J. Charity
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#### Conclusions

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