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One-particle motion in nuclear many-body problem (V.1)

- from spherical to deformed nuclei from stable to drip-line
- from static to rotating field from particle to quasiparticle
- collective modes and many-body correlations in terms of one-particle motion

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1. Introduction

Mean-field approximation to many-body system

The study of one-particle motion in the mean field is the basis for understanding not only single-particle mode but also many-body correlation.

Mean field ← Hartree-Fock approximation Self-consistent potential = Hatree-Fock potential

> Phenomenological one-body potential (convenient for understanding the physics in a simple terminology and in a systematic way)

Harmonic-oscillator potential Woods-Saxon potential

Note, for example, the shape of a many-body system can be obtained only from the one-body density

← mean-field approximation

Harmonic-oscillator potential is exclusively used, for example, the system with a finite number of electrons bound by an external field (= a kind of NANO structure system).

This system is a sufficiently bound system so that harmonic-oscillator potential is a good approximation to the effective potential.

Another finite system to which quantum mechanics is applied is clusters of metalic atoms

 \rightarrow shell-structure based on one-particle motion of electrons.

In this system a harmonic-oscillator potential is also often used.

- 2. Mean-field approximation to spherical nuclei
- 2.1. Phenomenological one-body potentials

3-dimensional harmonic oscillator potential



In the above figure $V(r) = \frac{1}{2}m\omega^{2}r^{2} + \underline{const}$ where $\underline{const} = -55$ MeV $\hbar\omega = 8.6$ MeV

$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\Delta + \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2 r^2$$
harmonic-oscillator potential

has a spectrum

$$\varepsilon = \left(N + \frac{3}{2}\right)\hbar\omega$$

where

$$N = n_x + n_y + n_z$$
 in rectilinear coordinates
= $2(n_r - 1) + \ell$ in polar coordinates

 ℓ = N, N-2, ... 0 or 1

Degeneracy of the major shell with a given N

 $\sum_{\substack{\ell \\ \text{spin}}} 2(2\ell+1) = (N+1)(N+2)$ spin $\uparrow \downarrow$ (ℓ = even for N=even, odd for N=odd) leads to the magic numbers

2, 8, 20, 40, 70, 112, 168, ...

One-particle levels for β stable nuclei

 $(S_n \approx S_p \approx 7-10 \text{ MeV})$

Modified harmonic-oscillator potential can often be a good approximation.

Large energy gap in one-particle spectra

Magic number
 N, Z = 8, 20,28,50,82,126, ...

Nuclei with magic number : spherical shape

Normal-parity orbits ← majority in a major shell of medium-heavy nuclei

High-j orbits, $1g_{9/2}$, $1h_{11/2}$, $1i_{13/2}$, $1j_{15/2}$, which have parity different from the neighboring orbits do not mix with them under quadrupole (Y₂₁₁) deformation and rotation.

One-particle motion in the mean-field

- → shell structure (= bunching of one-particle levels)
- \rightarrow nuclear shape



Figure 2-23 Sequence of one-particle orbits. The figure is taken from M. G. Mayer and

Phenomenological finite-well potential :

Woods-Saxon potential - an approximation to Hartree-Fock (HF) potential

$$V(r) = V_{WS} f(r)$$
 where $f(r) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{r - R}{a}\right)}$



a : diffuseness

R : radius $R = r_0 A^{1/3}$

A : mass number

standard values of parameters

$$r_0 \approx 1.27 \text{ fm}$$
 a ≈ 0.67 fm
 $V_{WS} = \left(-51 \pm 33 \frac{N-Z}{A}\right)$ MeV for + for neutrons
– for protons

Woods-Saxon potential vs. harmonic-oscillator potential



In the above figure the parameters are chosen so that the root-mean-square radius for the two potentials, are approximately equal. Harmonic-oscillator potential cannot be used for weakly-bound or unbound (or resonant) levels.

For well-bound levels;

Corrections to harmonic-oscillator potential are;

- a) repulsive effect for short and large distances
 - → push up small { orbits

b) attractive effect for intermediate distances

→ push down large { orbits

Schrödinger equation for one-particle motion with spherical finite potentials

$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right) + V(r) + V_{\ell s}(r) \qquad (x, y, z) \rightarrow (r, \theta, \varphi)$$
$$H\Psi = \mathcal{E}\Psi \qquad \Psi = \frac{1}{r} R_{n\ell j}(r) X_{\ell j m_j}(\hat{r})$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} X_{\ell j m_j}(\hat{r}) &= \sum_{m_\ell, m_s} C(\ell, \frac{1}{2}, j; m_\ell, m_s, m_j) Y_{\ell m_\ell}(\theta, \phi) \chi_{1/2, m_s} \\ (\vec{\ell})^2 Y_{\ell m}(\theta, \phi) &= \hbar^2 \ell (\ell + 1) Y_{\ell m}(\theta, \phi) \end{aligned}$$

The Shrödinger equation for radial wave-functions is written as

r

$$\left\{\frac{d^2}{dr^2} - \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{r^2} + \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \left(\varepsilon_{n\ell j} - V(r) - V_{\ell s}(r)\right)\right\} R_{n\ell j}(r) = 0$$
 (\$)

For example, for neutrons eq.(\$) should be solved with the boundary conditions;

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{at } r=0 & R_{\ell}(r)=0 \\ \text{at } r \rightarrow \text{large (where } V(r)=0) \\ \text{for } \varepsilon_{\ell} < 0 & R_{\ell}(r) \propto \alpha r k_{\ell}(\alpha r) & \text{where } \alpha^{2}=-\frac{2m}{\hbar^{2}}\varepsilon_{\ell} \\ \text{for } \varepsilon_{\ell} > 0 & R_{\ell}(r) \propto \cos(\delta_{\ell})krj_{\ell}(kr)-\sin(\delta_{\ell})krn_{\ell}(kr) & \text{where } k^{2}=\frac{2m}{\hbar^{2}}\varepsilon_{\ell} \\ \varepsilon_{\ell} & \varepsilon_{\ell} > 0 & R_{\ell}(r) \propto \cos(\delta_{\ell})krj_{\ell}(kr)-\sin(\delta_{\ell})krn_{\ell}(kr) & \text{where } k^{2}=\frac{2m}{\hbar^{2}}\varepsilon_{\ell} \\ \varepsilon_{\ell} & \varepsilon_{\ell} & \varepsilon_{\ell} & \varepsilon_{\ell} \\ \end{array}$$

One-body spin-orbit potential in phenomenological potentials : surface effect !

In the central part of nuclei the density, $\rho(r) = \text{const.}$ Then, the only direction, which nucleons can feel is the momentum, \vec{P}

From the two vectors, \vec{p} and the spin \vec{s} , of nucleons one cannot make *P*-inv (i.e. reflection-invariant) and *T*-inv (i.e. time-reversal invariant) quantity linear in the momentum. For example,

 $(\vec{p} \cdot \vec{s})$ Pink $(\vec{p} \times \vec{s}) \cdot \vec{s}$ Pink

At the nuclear surface $\vec{\nabla}\rho(r) \neq 0$ i.e. $\vec{\nabla}\rho(r) = \left(\frac{\partial\rho}{\partial r}, 0, 0\right)$ in polar coordinate (r, θ, φ) Then, $(\vec{p} \times \vec{s}) \cdot \vec{\nabla}\rho(r)$: *P*-inv & *T*-inv ! $= (p_{\theta}s_{\phi} - p_{\phi}s_{\theta})\frac{\partial\rho}{\partial r} = \frac{1}{r}((\vec{r} \times \vec{p}) \cdot \vec{s})\frac{\partial\rho}{\partial r}$ $= (\vec{\ell} \cdot \vec{s})\frac{1}{r}\frac{\partial\rho}{\partial r}$

In practice, one often uses the form

$$V_{\ell s}(r) = \lambda(\vec{\ell} \cdot \vec{s}) \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial V_c(r)}{\partial r}$$

where λ =const. and V_c(r) is one-body central potential such as the Woods-Saxon potential

In the presence of spin-orbit potential $V_{\ell s}(r) \ (\propto (\vec{\ell} \cdot \vec{s}))$,

the total angular momentum of nucleons

$$\vec{j} = \vec{\ell} + \vec{s}$$
 $j = \ell \pm \frac{1}{2}$

becomes a good quantum-number.

$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\Delta + V(r) \longrightarrow \text{quantum number of one-particle motion } (\ell, s, m_\ell, m_s)$$
$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\Delta + V(r) + V_{\ell s}(r) \longrightarrow \text{quantum number of one-particle motion } (\ell, s, j, m_j)$$

$$(\vec{\ell} \cdot \vec{s}) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \vec{j}^2 - \vec{\ell}^2 - \vec{s}^2 \right\} = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ j(j+1) - \ell(\ell+1) - \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}+1) \right\} = \left\{ \begin{array}{cc} -\ell - 1 & \text{for } j = \ell - 1/2 \\ \ell & \text{for } j = \ell + 1/2 \end{array} \right\}$$

 $H\Psi = \mathcal{E}\Psi \qquad \Psi = \frac{1}{r} R_{\ell j}(r) X_{\ell j m_j} \qquad \text{where} \quad X_{\ell j m_j} \equiv \sum_{m_\ell, m_s} C(\ell, \frac{1}{2}, j; m_\ell, m_s, m_j) Y_{\ell m_\ell}(\theta, \phi) \chi_{1/2, m_s}$

The radial part of the Schrödinger equation becomes

$$\left\{\frac{d^2}{dr^2} - \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{r^2} + \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \left(\varepsilon_{\ell j} - V(r) - V_{\ell s}(r)\right)\right\} R_{\ell j}(r) = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} (\ell \cdot \vec{s}), \ell_z \end{bmatrix} \neq 0$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} (\vec{\ell} \cdot \vec{s}), s_z \end{bmatrix} \neq 0$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} (\vec{\ell} \cdot \vec{s}), \ell_z + s_z \end{bmatrix} = 0$$





Height of centrifugal barrier \propto

$$\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{{R_h}^2}$$

where
$$R_h > r_0 A^{1/3}$$

The height :{higher for smaller nucleihigher for larger l orbits

ex. For the Woods-Saxon potential with R=5.80 fm, a=0.65 fm, r_0 =1.25 and V_{WS} = - 50 MeV ;

| ł | height of centrifugal barrier |
|---|-------------------------------|
| 0 | 0 MeV |
| 1 | ≈ 0.4 |
| 2 | ≈ 1.3 |
| 3 | ≈ 2.8 |
| 4 | ≈ 5.1 |
| 5 | ≈ 8.2 |

Height of centrifugal barrier;

- 1) well-bound particles are insensitive.
- 2) affects eigenenergies and wave-functions of weakly-bound neutrons, especially with small
- 3) affects the presence (or absence) of one-particle resonance, resonant energies and widths.

Neutron radial wave-functions

 $\epsilon = -8$ MeV

$$\Psi_{n\ell jm}(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{r} \frac{R_{n\ell j}(r)}{R_{\ell jm}(r)} X_{\ell jm}(\hat{r})$$



ε = – 200 keV





For a finite square-well potential



Root-mean-square radius, r_{rms} , of one neutron ; $r_{rms} \equiv \sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle}$ In the limit of $\epsilon_{n\ell}$ (<0) $\rightarrow 0$

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{r}_{rms} & \propto & (-\mathcal{E}_{n\ell})^{-1/2} \longrightarrow \infty & \text{for } \ell = 0 \\ & (-\mathcal{E}_{n\ell})^{-1/4} \longrightarrow \infty & \text{for } \ell = 1 \\ & \text{finite value} & \text{for } \ell \geq 2 \end{split}$$

Spherical nuclei : unique behavior of low- ℓ orbits, as ϵ_{ℓ} (<0) $\rightarrow 0$

Energies of neutron orbits in Woods-Saxon potential $(R = r_0 A^{1/3} \text{ with } r_0 = 1.27 \text{ fm is varied.})$

Change of shell structure



Energies of neutron orbits calculated by C. J. Veje (private communication). Figure 2-30

There is no neutron *l*=0 (s) resonance !

One-particle resonant level in spherical finite potentials (Coulomb potential)



The resonance energy ε^{res} is defined so that the phase shift δ_{ℓ} increases with energy ε as it goes through $\pi/2$ (modulo π).

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For example, see ; R.G.Newton, SCATTERING THEORY OF WAVES AND PARTICLES,
 McGraw-Hill, 1966.
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- At ε^{res} ; (1) a sharp peak in the scattering cross section;

 - (2) a significant time delay in the emergence of scattered particles;
 (3) the incoming wave (i.e. particles) can strongly penetrate into the system;
 (4)

Resonance \leftrightarrow time delay $\leftrightarrow \frac{d\delta_{\ell}}{dk}\Big|_{k=k_0} > 0$

scattering amplitude
$$f(k, \cos \theta) = k^{-1} \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell + 1) e^{i\delta_{\ell}} \sin \delta_{\ell} P_{\ell}(\cos \theta)$$

For $r \to \infty$, a wave packet in a scattering is written as $\int d\vec{k} \phi(\vec{k}) \exp\left[i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - Et)\right] + \int d\vec{k} \phi(\vec{k}) r^{-1} \exp\left[i(kr - Et)\right] f(k, \cos\theta) \quad (\$)$ where $\phi(\vec{k})$: sharply peaked around $\vec{k} = \vec{k}_0$

Assume that at k=k₀ a sharp peak only in a given *l* channel.

For very large t (= time), the 2nd term in (\$) contributes only at the distance

Time delay caused by the sharply changing term $e^{i\delta_{\ell}}$ in the $f: t_D = \frac{2m}{k_0} \frac{d\delta_{\ell}}{dk} \Big|_{k=k_0}$ $\frac{d\delta_{\ell}}{dk} > 0 \rightarrow \text{time delay in the emergence of the scattered particles}$

 $\frac{d\delta_{\ell}}{dk} < 0 \quad \rightarrow \text{ time advance } !$

β-stable nuclei

One-particle levels which contribute _____ to many-body correlations



neutron drip line nuclei – role of continuum levels and weakly-bound levels



Importance of one-particle resonant levels with small width Γ in the many-body correlations.
Obs. no one-particle resonant levels for *l* = 0 (i.e. s) orbits.

Some summary of weakly-bound and positive-energy neutrons in spherical potentials (β=0)

Unique role played by neutrons in small *l*; s, p orbits

(a) Weakly-bound small-{ neutrons have appreciable probability to be outside the potential;

ex. For a finite square-well potential and $\epsilon_{n\ell i}$ (<0) $\rightarrow 0$, the probability inside is

0 for s neutrons1/3 for p neutrons

Thus, those neutrons are insensitive to the strength of the potential.

Change of shell-structure

(b) No one-particle resonant levels for s neutrons.

For a given $\varepsilon_{\ell j} > 0$, higher- ℓ orbits have one-particle resonance with smaller width. One-particle neutron resonance with lower- ℓ disappears at a smaller $\varepsilon_{\ell j}$ (> 0) value.

> Change of many-body correlation, such as pair correlation and deformation in nuclei with weakly-bound neutrons

2.2. Hartree-Fock (HF) approximation \rightarrow self-consistent mean-field

A mean-field approximation to the nuclear many-body problem with rotationally invariant Hamiltonian,



Popular effective interaction, v_{ii} , is so-called Skyrme interaction many different versions exist, but in essence, $\delta(\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j)$ interaction plus density-dependent part that simulates the 3-body interaction.

The total wave function Ψ is assumed to be a form of Slater determinant consisting of one-particle wave-functions,

 $\varphi_i(\vec{r}_i)$ (*i* and *j*) = 1, 2,, A

Variational principle $\delta \langle \Psi | H | \Psi \rangle = 0$

together with subsidiary conditions $\int |\varphi_i(\vec{r}_i)|^2 d^3 r_i = 1$

leads to the HF equation.



Find the solutions, $\varphi_1(\vec{r})$ and $\varphi_2(\vec{r})$, with ε_1 and ε_2 , which satisfy simultaneously the above coupled equations.

The usual procedure of solving the HF equation is;



Find self-consistent solutions together with eigenvalues, ε_1 and ε_2 .

drip-line nuclei — very different N/Z ratio, compared to stable nuclei with a given A



Since the Fermi levels for protons and neutrons are very different in drip line nuclei, this binding energy difference of least-bound protons and neutrons will produce interesting phenomena in charge-exchange reactions or β decays.

Weakly-bound one-proton motion in medium-heavy nuclei may not be so different from the well-bound one, due to the high Coulomb barrier.

Hartree-Fock potential and one-particle energy levels

 $V_{N}(r)$: neutron potential, $V_{P}(r)$: proton nuclear potential, $V_{P}(r)+V_{C}(r)$: proton total potential

A typical double-magic β-stable nucleus

 ${}^{208}_{82}Pb_{126}$

One of Skyrme interactions;

SkM*

See : J.Bartel et al., Nucl. Phys. A386 (1982) 79.



Hartree-Fock potentials and one-particle energy levels

 $V_{N}(r)$: neutron potential, $V_{P}(r)$: proton nuclear potential

ex. of neutron-drip-line nuclei

ex. of proton-drip-line nuclei



3. Observation of deformed nuclei

3.1. Rotational spectrum and its implication

Some nuclei are deformed --- axially-symmetric quadrupole (Y20) deformation

Observation :

- 1) rotational spectra $E(I) \approx AI(I+1)$
- 2) large quadrupole moment or large E2($I \rightarrow I-2$) transition probability

rotation of deformed nuclei \rightarrow time-dependent electric field \rightarrow strong el-mag radiation



Figure 4-7 Spectrum of ¹⁶⁸Er. The data are taken from H. R. Koch, Z. Physik 192, 142

A rotational band with a given K consists of members with $l \ge K$.

For E(I) = AI(I+1),
$$\frac{E(I=4)}{E(I=2)} = 3.33$$

$$\frac{264.081}{79.800} = 3.31$$







Observed E2-transition probabilities from the ground state ($I^{\pi}=0^+$) to the first excited 2⁺ state in stable even-even nuclei.

The single-particle value used as unit is

$$B_{sp}(E2) = \frac{5}{4\pi} e^2 \left(\frac{3}{5}R^2\right)^2 = 0.30A^{4/3}e^2 fm^4$$

Bohr & Mottelson, Nuclear Structure, Vol.II, 1975, Fig.4-5

WARNING : many different definitions (and notations) of Y₂₀ deformation parameters

 $Q_0 = \frac{4}{3} \left\langle \sum_{k=1}^{Z} r_k^2 \right\rangle \delta$ δ intrinsic quadrupole moment uniformly-charged spheroidal nucleus with a sharp surface $\delta = \frac{3}{2} \frac{(R_3)^2 - (R_\perp)^2}{(R_\perp)^2 + 2(R_\perp)^2}$

 β_2 is defined in terms of the expansion of the density distribution in spherical harmonics. ß or β_2 radius $R(\theta, \phi) = R_0 (1 + \beta_2 Y_{20}^{*}(\theta) +)$ density $\vec{\rho(r)} = \rho_0(r) - R_0 \frac{\partial \rho_0}{\partial r} (\beta_2 Y_{20}^*(\theta) +)$ δ_{osc} or ϵ

In the deformed harmonic oscillator model it is customary to use

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \delta_{osc} \equiv 3 \frac{\omega_{\perp} - \omega_3}{2\omega_{\perp} + \omega_3} \approx \frac{R_3 - R_{\perp}}{R_{av}}$$

To leading order, $\delta \approx \beta_2 \approx \delta_{osc}$, but

 $\delta_n \approx \delta_p$ for stable nuclei, but $\delta_n < \delta_p$ possibly for neutron-rich nuclei towards the neutron-drip-line, since $R_n > R_p$ \therefore) $R_n \delta_n \approx R_p \delta_p$: displacement of the surface Nuclei with deformed ground state close to the β stability line



All stable single or double closed-shell nuclei are spherical.

some typical examples of deformed nuclei :

¹²C₆ Oblate (pancake shape)
 ²⁴Mg₁₂ Prolate (cigar shape)

rare-earth nuclei with $90 \le N \le 112$ mostly prolate

Some new region of deformed ground-state nuclei away from β stability line;

1) $N \approx Z \approx 38$ ex. ${}^{72}_{36}Kr_{36}$ (oblate ?) ${}^{76}_{38}Sr_{38}$ (prolate ?) ${}^{80}_{40}Zr_{40}$ (prolate ?) 2) $N \approx 20$ ex. ${}^{30}_{10}Ne_{20}$ ${}^{32}_{10}Ne_{22}$ ${}^{32}_{12}Mg_{20}$ ${}^{34}_{12}Mg_{22}$ ("island of inversion") 3) $N \approx 8$ ex. ${}^{11}_{4}Be_{7}$ ${}^{12}_{4}Be_{8}$ ${}^{14}_{4}Be_{10}$

etc.

Deformed ground state of $N \approx Z$ nuclei (proton-rich compared with stable nuclei)

Coexistence of prolate and oblate shape :



(A.Goergen, Gammapool workshop in Trento, 2006)



$$2315 - (4+) = (2.62) = (4+)$$

$$2120 - (4+)$$

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$$660 - (4+) = (4+)$$

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$$\frac{2}{12}Mg_{22}$$

$$\frac{34}{12}Mg_{22}$$

$$\frac{34}{12}M$$

N=20 is not a magic number ! (in these neutron-rich nuclei)

$$\frac{1}{2} - 319.8$$

 $\frac{1}{2} + 0$

 ${}^{11}_{4}Be_{7}$

The spin-parity of the ground state, $\frac{1}{2}$ +, as well as the small energy distance between the $\frac{1}{2}$ - and $\frac{1}{2}$ + levels, 320 keV, is easily explained, If the nucleus is deformed !

N=8 is not a magic number ! (in this neutron-rich nucleus)

Example of deformed excited states of magic nuclei

 ${}^{40}_{20}Ca_{20}$: doubly-magic nucleus, spherical ground state



FIG. 1. Partial level scheme of 40Ca; the energy labels are

strongly-deformed band

$$Q_t = 1.80 + 0.39 - 0.29$$
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from Doppler shift measurement

$$\rightarrow \beta = 0.59 + 0.11 - 0.07$$

From E.Ideguchi et al., Phys.Rev.Lett. 87 (2001) 222501.

Implication of rotational spectra :

- (1) Existence of deformation (in the body-fixed system), so as to specify an orientation of the system as a whole.
- (2) Collective rotation, as a whole, and internal motion w.r.t. the body-fixed system are approximately separated in the complicated many-body system.

Classical system : An infinitesimal deformation is sufficient to establish anisotropy.

Quantum system : [zero-point fluctuation of deformation] << [equilibrium deformation], in order to have a well-defined rotation.

Indeed,

collective rotation is the best established collective motion in nuclei.

For some nuclei Hartree-Fock (HF) calculations with rotationally-invariant Hamiltonian end up with a deformed shape !

Deformed shape obtained from HF calculations is interpreted as the intrinsic shape in the body-fixed system.

The notion of one-particle (or one-quasiparticle if pair correlation is included) motion in deformed nuclei can be much more widely, in a good approximation, applicable than in spherical nuclei.

•.•) The major part of the long-range two-body interaction is already taken into account in the deformed mean-field.

Thus, the spectroscopy of deformed nuclei is often much simpler than that of spherical vibrating nuclei.

What can one learn from observed rotational spectra ?

(a) Quantum numbers of rotational spectra ↔ symmetry of deformation

ex. Parity is a good quantum number ← space reflection invariance,
K is a good quantum number ← Axially-symmetric shape (E(I) ∝ I(I+1)) ,
where K is the projection of angular momentum along the symmetry axis.
The K^π=0⁺ ground band has only I = 0, 2,4,... ← shape is *R*- invariant,
Kramers degeneracy ← time reversal invariance,
etc.



r = +1

*R***-invariant** shape : in addition to axially-symmetry, the shape is further invariant w.r.t. a rotation of π about an axis perpendicular to the symmetry axis. (If a shape is already axial symmetric, reflection invariance is equivalent to *R*-inv.) ex. Y₂₀ deformed shape is *R*-invariant, but not Y₃₀ deformed (pear) shape.

Kramers degeneracy : The levels in an odd-fermion system are at least doubly degenerate.
Pause: Appearance of only even (or odd) angular momenta

Coming from the *R*-symmetry of Y_{20} deformation (or $Y_{\lambda 0}$ deformation with even λ);

The ground-state (pairwise levels, Ω and $-\Omega$, are occupied) of Y₂₀ deformed even-even nuclei ($K^{\pi} = 0^+$) has r (eigenvalue of *R*-operation) = +1 and, thus, the rotational-band has members with $I^{\pi} = 0^+$, 2^+ , 4^+ , 6^+ ,

The rotational band based on excited $K^{T} = 0^{-1}$ configurations may have either

r = -1 with members $I^{\pi} = 1^-, 3^-, 5^-, \dots$ that has been often observed in medium-heavy deformed nuclei

or

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r = +1 with members I^{\pi} = 0^{-}, 2^{-}, 4^{-}, \dots
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OBS. The rotational bands based on intrinsic configurations with $K^{\pi} = 1^{-}$ have members $I^{\pi} = 1^{-}, 2^{-}, 3^{-}, 4^{-}, 5^{-}, \dots$

Coming from the (Fermion or Boson) statistics ;

The two-fermion system in a j-shell (j : half integer) has only even total angular momentum, $(j^2)_I$ where *J* is an even integer.

The two-phonon system with the same phonon (λ : integer) has only even total angular momentum,

 $(\lambda^2)_J$ where **J** is an even integer.

Why are some nuclei deformed ?

Usual understanding;

Deformation of ground states (ND, R_{\perp} : $R_{z} \approx 1$: 1.3) \leftarrow Jahn-Teller effect

Many particles outside a closed shell in a spherical potential

- \rightarrow near degeneracy in one-particle quantum spectra
- \rightarrow possibility of gaining energy by breaking away from spherical symmetry using the degeneracy.
- Weakly-bound nuclei
 - \rightarrow possible change of shell-structure
 - → near degeneracy in one-particle spectra at neutron numbers different from stable nuclei.

Superdeformation (SD, R_{\perp} : $R_{z} \approx 1$: 2) at high spins in rare-earth nuclei or fission isomers in actinide nuclei

← new shell structure (and new magic numbers !) at large deformation

3.2. Important deformation and quantum numbers in deformed nuclei

Axially symmetric quadrupole (Y₂₀) deformation (that has *R*-symmetry) - most important deformation in nuclei



One-particle Hamiltonian with spin-orbit potential

 $H = T + V(r,\theta)$ $V(r,\theta) = V_0(r) + V_2(r)Y_{20}(\theta) + V_{\ell s}(r)(\vec{\ell} \cdot \vec{s})$ $Y_{20}(\theta) = \sqrt{\frac{5}{16\pi}}(3\cos^2\theta - 1)$

where θ is polar angle w.r.t. the symmetry axis (= z-axis)

Quantum numbers of one-particle motion in H

(1) Parity $\pi = (-1)^{\ell}$ where ℓ is orbital angular momentum of one-particle. (2) $\Omega \leftarrow \ell_z + s_z$ \therefore) [$V_2(r) Y_{20}(\theta), \ell_z + s_z$] = 0 and [$(\vec{\ell} \cdot \vec{s}), \ell_z + s_z$] = 0

- 4. One-particle motion well-bound in Y_{20} deformed potential
- 4.1. Limits of small and large deformation

 $V(r,\theta) = V_0(r) + V_2(r)Y_{20}(\theta) + V_{\ell s}(r)(\vec{\ell} \cdot \vec{s})$

Small deformation and/or high-j orbits
$$\langle V_2(r)Y_{20}(\theta) \rangle << \langle V_{\ell s}(r)(\vec{\ell} \cdot \vec{s}) \rangle$$
those pushed down by $(\vec{\ell} \cdot \vec{s})$ potential :ex. $g_{9/2}$, $h_{11/2}$, $i_{13/2}$,...Single j-shell :

j (= one-particle angular momentum) is (approximately) a good quantum number.

 $\Omega = \pm j, \pm (j-1), \dots, \pm \frac{1}{2}$: symmetry-axis component of j

$$\langle \ell j \Omega_1 | \beta Y_{20} | \ell j \Omega_2 \rangle \neq 0$$
 only for $\Omega_1 = \Omega_2$

In the linear order of β , the Y₂₀ deformation only shifts ($\propto \beta$) the energy of doubly-degenerate one-particle states with $\pm \Omega$. One-particle wave-functions remain the same for $\beta \neq 0$.

spherical : (2j+1) degeneracy

 \rightarrow Y₂₀ deformed : ± Ω degeneracy



Large (or realistic) deformation

$$\left\langle V_2(r)Y_{20}(\theta)\right\rangle >> \left\langle V_{\ell s}(r)(\vec{\ell}\cdot\vec{s})\right\rangle$$

Many j-shells coupled by Y_{20} deformation

$$\left\langle \ell_1 j_1 \Omega_1 \left| f(r) Y_{20} \right| \ell_2 j_2 \Omega_2 \right\rangle \neq 0$$
 for

$$(-1)^{\ell_1} = (-1)^{\ell_2}$$

 $\Omega_1 = \Omega_2$
 $|j_1 - j_2| \le 2$



That means, in a Y₂₀ deformed mean field with spin-orbit potential

(One-particle angular-momentum j is not a good quantum-number. [H, j] ≠ 0)

projection of one-particle angular-momentum along the symmetry axis, and a good quantum-number π : parity $\equiv (-1)^{\ell}$ $[H, J_z] = [Y_{20}, J_z] = 0 \qquad \Omega \leftarrow J_z = L_z + s_z$

are good quantum-numbers.

For example,

$$\begin{split} \Omega^{\pi} &= 1/2^{+} & s_{1/2}, d_{3/2}, d_{5/2}, g_{7/2}, g_{9/2}, \dots, \text{ components} & \ell_{\min} = 0 \\ \Omega^{\pi} &= 3/2^{+} & d_{3/2}, d_{5/2}, g_{7/2}, g_{9/2}, i_{11/2}, \dots, \text{ components} & \ell_{\min} = 2 \\ \Omega^{\pi} &= 1/2^{-} & p_{1/2}, p_{3/2}, f_{5/2}, f_{7/2}, h_{9/2}, \dots, \text{ components} & \ell_{\min} = 1 \\ \Omega^{\pi} &= 3/2^{-} & p_{3/2}, f_{5/2}, f_{7/2}, h_{9/2}, h_{11/2}, \dots, \text{ components} & \ell_{\min} = 1 \end{split}$$

Y₂₀ deformed harmonic-oscillator potential

$$V_{def.h.o.} = \frac{M}{2} \left(\omega_z^2 z^2 + \omega_{\perp}^2 (x^2 + y^2) \right)$$

 $\left\langle V_2(r)Y_{20}(\theta)\right\rangle >> \left\langle V_{\ell s}(r)(\vec{\ell}\cdot\vec{s})\right\rangle$

One-particle energy ($\epsilon(N)$ at $\delta=0$ splits into (N+1) levels). \therefore $n_z = 0, 1, \dots, N$ where $N = n_z + n_{\perp}$

$$\varepsilon(n_{\perp}, n_{z}) = \left(n_{z} + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hbar \omega_{z} + \left(n_{\perp} + 1\right) \hbar \omega_{\perp} \quad = \quad \hbar \varpi \left(N + \frac{3}{2} - \frac{\delta}{3}(3n_{z} - N)\right) \qquad \delta \approx \beta$$



sym



Asymptotic quantum numbers including spin (= $\frac{1}{2}$) [N n_z $\land \Omega$] where $\land > 0$, $\Omega \leftarrow L_z + s_z$ = $\land \pm \frac{1}{2} > 0$

$$\omega_{z}^{2}z^{2} + \omega_{\perp}^{2}(x^{2} + y^{2})$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \left(\omega_{z}^{2} + 2\omega_{\perp}^{2} \right) \left(\frac{x^{2} + y^{2} + z^{2}}{14} \right) + \frac{1}{3} \left(\omega_{z}^{2} - \omega_{\perp}^{2} \right) \left(\frac{2z^{2} - (x^{2} + y^{2})}{14} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{16\pi}{5} r^{2} Y_{20}(\theta) \right)$$

$$\approx f(r) + c \,\delta r^{2} Y_{20}(\theta) \quad \text{up till } O(\delta)$$

h.o. potential :

no surface – maybe applicable for strongly bound system
 no spin-orbit potential – maybe applicable for large deformation

One-particle levels in axially-symmetric quadrupole (Y_{20}) deformation (prolate or oblate shape) are denoted by



 $[N n_z \land \Omega]$: asymptotic quantum-numbers. $\Lambda (\leftarrow L_z)$ with $\Omega > 0$ and $\Lambda > 0$

where Ω and parity $\pi = (-1)^{\ell} = (-1)^{N}$ is a good quantum-number.

One-particle energy is degenerate for $\pm \Omega$

One-particle levels for a finite quadrupole deformation β are often denoted by [N n_z $\land \Omega$], since for $|\beta| > 0.3$ the wave functions are approximately expressed by [N n_z $\land \Omega$], except high-j orbits.

4.2. "Nilsson diagram" – one-particle spectra as a function of deformation

Ex. [harmonic-oscillator + surface effect + spin-orbit] potential = [modified oscillator] potential

Doubly-degenerate ($\pm \Omega$) one-particle levels are denoted by asymptotic quantum numbers [N n_z $\wedge \Omega$] with \wedge , $\Omega > 0$, which become good quantum numbers for very large $|\beta|$.



 $\begin{array}{l} N=2 \\ n_z=0 \\ 1) \ [\text{prolate}] \quad \text{For } \beta \ (\sim \delta) > 0 \ (\text{prolate shape}) \\ 1) \ [\text{prolate}] \quad \text{For a given N} : \ \epsilon_{\Omega} \rightarrow \text{lower for } n_z \rightarrow \text{larger} \\ ex. \ \text{Nilsson levels in sd-shell (N=2)} \\ \Omega^{\pi} = 1/2^+ \qquad \Omega^{\pi} = 3/2^+ \qquad \Omega^{\pi} = 5/2^+ \\ \epsilon \\ \epsilon \\ [200 \ 1/2] \\ [211 \ 1/2] \\ [220 \ 1/2] \\ [211 \ 3/2] \\ \end{array}$

 $N = n_7 + n_\perp$

 $\Lambda(>0) = n_{\perp}, n_{\perp}-2, ..., 1 \text{ or } 0$

2) [surface] For given {N, n_z } : $\epsilon_{\Omega} \rightarrow$ lower for $\Lambda \rightarrow$ larger

3) [spin-orbit] For given {N, n_z , Λ } : $\epsilon_{\Omega} \rightarrow$ lower for $\Omega \rightarrow$ larger

At large β (~ δ), $\epsilon \propto -\delta(3n_z - N)$

i.e. ϵ as a function of β depends only on $\beta(3n_z - N)$

Proton orbits in prolate potential (50 < Z < 82).

 $g_{7/2}$, $d_{5/2}$, $d_{3/2}$ and $s_{1/2}$ orbits, which have $\pi = +$, do not mix with $h_{11/2}$ by Y_{20} deformation.



Figure 5-2 Proton orbits in prolate potential (50 < Z < 82) The spectra in this and the

Table 1.

Ex.1. Deformed one-particle wave-functions denoted by the asymptotic quantum numbers $[N n_z \Lambda \Omega]$ are expanded in terms of spherical basis.

(A modified-oscillator Hamiltonian was diagonalized.)

| $[Nn_{3}\Lambda\Omega]$ | j = 1/2 | j = 3/2 | j = 5/2 | j = 7/2 |
|-------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| [101 1/2] | 0.920 | 0.392 | | |
| [220 1/2] | -0.523 | -0.285 | 0.803 | |
| [2113/2] | | -0.236 | 0.972 | |
| [202 5/2] | | | 1.000 | |
| [211 1/2] | 0.419 | 0.735 | 0.533 | |
| [200 1/2] | 0.743 | -0.615 | 0.265 | |
| [202 3/2] | | 0.972 | 0.236 | |
| [330 1/2] | 0.279 | -0.646 | -0.188 | 0.685 |
| | | | | |

Table 5-9 Single-particle wave functions for nuclei with $19 \le A \le 25$. The table gives the expansion coefficients $\langle Nlj\Omega | v \rangle$ of the one-particle orbits v labeled by the asymptotic quantum numbers $[Nn_3\Lambda\Omega]$. The wave functions are obtained from the Hamiltonian (5-10) employing the parameters of Table 5-1 and the deformation $\delta = 0.4$. The phases are as in Table 5-2b and Eq. (5-17).

parity of the states:
$$\pi = (-1)^N = (-1)^\ell$$

OBS. Various computer programs are at present publicly available if one is satisfied with the diagonalization of modified-oscillator Hamiltonian.

Table 1. (continued)

Ex.2. Using Tables 5-2a and 5-2b in A.Bohr and B.R.Mottelson, Nuclear Structure, vol.II, one obtains, for example,

Normal-parity orbits;

| [411 3/2] > = 0.926 | 411 3/2 > + ... $= 0.418 | g_{9/2} > - 0.140 | g_{7/2} > + 0.864 | d_{5/2} > + 0.246 | d_{3/2} >$

| [411 1/2] > = 0.900 | 411 1/2 > + ... $= -0.163 | g_{9/2} > + 0.396 | g_{7/2} > -0.099 | d_{5/2} > + 0.848 | d_{3/2} > + 0.297 | s_{1/2} >$

High-j orbits;

| [532 5/2] > = 0.861 | 532 5/2> +...= 0.882 $|h_{11/2} > + 0.339 |h_{9/2} > - 0.244 |f_{7/2} > - 0.062 |f_{5/2} >$

for proton one-particle wave-functions at deformation $\delta = 0.3$, which are obtained by diagonalizing a modified-oscillator Hamiltonian,

 $H = T + V(r, \theta)$ plus $(\ell \cdot s)$ potential

OBS.

| [411 3/2] > : states obtained by diagonalization

| 411 3/2 > : bases states exactly expressed by the quantum numbers $N n_z \Lambda \Omega$

Intrinsic configuration in the body-fixed system



Low-lying rotational bands in deformed odd-A nuclei may well be classified in terms of one-particle orbit $[Nn_z \Lambda \Omega]$ occupied by the last unpaired particle.

Good approximation ;

(a) In the ground state of eve-even nuclei

$$K \equiv \sum_{i=1}^{A} \Omega_i = 0$$

Namely, $\pm \Omega$ levels are pairwise occupied.

(b) In low-lying states of odd-A nuclei

 $K \equiv \sum_{i=1}^{A} \Omega_i \implies \Omega$ of the last unpaired particle.

The rotational band based on [N $n_z \wedge \Omega$]

- (a) $l \ge K (\leftarrow l_3) = \Omega$
- (b) the bandhead state has *I=K*.Exception may occur for *K*=1/2 bands.
- (c) some irregular rotational spectra are observed for *K*=1/2 bands.

ex. The N=13 th neutron orbits observed as low-lying excitations in ${}^{25}Mg_{13}$ - a textbook example



Nilsson levels : double $(\pm \Omega)$ degeneracy

The above interpretation of the data works quantitatively :

measured large E2 transitions within the bands $\rightarrow \beta \approx 0.4$

observed E2- and M1-intensity relations

$$\Rightarrow$$
 g_s^{eff} = (0.7 - 0.9) g_s^{free}

Some selection rules in terms of exact quantum numbers, I, K, or N $n_z \wedge \Omega$ (More complete formulas are given in Table 2.)

1) Between states (I, K) and (I', K')

 $E\lambda$ or $M\lambda$ transitions are forbidden for $|I-I'| > \lambda$

 $E\lambda$ or $M\lambda$ transitions are forbidden for $|K - K'| > \lambda$, even if $|I - I'| \le \lambda$ ("K-selection rule")

2) Noting that $M1 \propto \vec{\ell}$ or \vec{s} , and $GT \propto \vec{s}$

 $(\ell_x \pm i\ell_y) | Nn_z \Lambda \Omega \rangle \propto | N, n_z + 1, \Lambda \pm 1, \Omega \pm 1 \rangle$ or $\propto | N, n_z - 1, \Lambda \pm 1, \Omega \pm 1 \rangle$

How well "K-selection rule" of 1) works in reality exhibits how good axial symmetry is.

The selection rules in 2) approximately work for transitions between realistic one-particle states, $[N n_z \land \Omega]$ and $[N' n_z' \land' \Omega']$, if $\beta > 0.3$

Table 2.

Selection rule of one-particle operators between one-particle states

Matrix elements of the most important operators in the asymptotic basis, and their selection rules

| Operator 0 2 | 1N | ΔN_z | ΔЛ | ΔΣ | ΔΩ | $\langle N'N'_{z}\Lambda' O NN_{z}\Lambda\rangle$ | The matrix elements betw |
|---|------------------|-----------------------|---|---|---|--|---|
| l _t · s l _t ² | 0 0 0 0 | 0 1 1 0 2 | $0 \\ \pm 1 \\ \pm 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\$ | 0 ∓1 ∓1 0 0 | 0 0 0 0 | $\Delta\Sigma \\ -\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}\pm\Sigma) [(N_{z}+1) (N-N_{z}\mp\Lambda)]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}\pm\Sigma) [N_{z} (N-N_{z}\pm\Lambda+2)]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ \Lambda^{2}+\Lambda+2 [N_{z} (N-N_{z}+1)] + (N-N_{z}-\Lambda) \\ [(N_{z}+1) (N_{z}+2) (N-N_{z}+\Lambda) (N-N_{z}-\Lambda)]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ [(N_{z}+1) (N_{z}+2) (N-N_{z}+\Lambda) (N-N_{z}-\Lambda)]^{\frac{1}{2}} $ | the assigned asymptotic Ω [N n _z Λ Ω], can be obtained from this table. |
| z' = | ±1 | -2 ±1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $[v_{x} (v_{x}-1) (v - v_{x}+2 + 2) (v - v_{x}-2 + 2)]^{\frac{1}{2}}$ $c_{x} [\frac{1}{2} (N_{x} \sup)]^{\frac{1}{2}}$ | |
| x'±iy' | +1 -1 | 0 0 | $^{\pm 1}_{\pm 1}$ | 0 0 | $^{\pm 1}_{\pm 1}$ | $ \pm c_{\perp} \left[\frac{1}{2} (N - N_r \pm \Lambda + 2) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} $ | E1 operator |
| z'² | 0 2 2 | 0 2 -2 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | $c_{x}^{2} (N_{x} + \frac{1}{2})$ $\frac{1}{2}c_{x}^{2} [(N_{x} + 1) (N_{x} + 2)]^{\frac{1}{2}}$ $\frac{1}{2}c_{x}^{2} [N_{x} (N_{x} - 1)]^{\frac{1}{2}}$ | |
| x' ² +y' ² | 0 2 -2 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | $c_{\perp}^{2} (N-N_{z}+1)$ $-\frac{1}{2}c_{\perp}^{2} [(N-N_{z}+A+2) (N-N_{z}-A+2)]^{\frac{1}{2}}$ $-\frac{1}{2}c_{\perp}^{2} [(N-N_{z}+A) (N-N_{z}-A)]^{\frac{1}{2}}$ | |
| ť(x'±iy') | 0 0 2 | 1 -1 1 | $\frac{\pm 1}{\pm 1}$ | 0 0 0 | $\frac{\pm 1}{\pm 1}$ ± 1 | $ \begin{array}{c} \mp \frac{1}{2}c_{\perp}c_{z} \left[(N_{z}+1) (N-N_{z}\mp A) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ \pm \frac{1}{2}c_{\perp}c_{z} \left[N_{z} (N-N_{z}\pm A+2) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ \pm \frac{1}{2}c_{\perp}c_{z} \left[(N_{z}+1) (N-N_{z}\pm A+2) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \end{array} $ | E2 operator |
| (x'±iy') ² | 0 2 -2 | 0 0 0 | ± 1 ± 2 ± 2 ± 2 | 0 0 0 | | $+\frac{1}{2}c_{\perp}c_{z}\left[(N-N_{z}\pm\Lambda)(N-N_{z}\pm\Lambda+2)\right]^{2}$ $-c_{\perp}^{2}\left[(N-N_{z}\pm\Lambda+2)(N-N_{z}\pm\Lambda+2)\right]^{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}c_{\perp}^{2}\left[(N-N_{z}\pm\Lambda+2)(N-N_{z}\pm\Lambda+4)\right]^{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}c_{\perp}^{2}\left[(N-N_{z}\pm\Lambda+2)(N-N_{z}\pm\Lambda+2)\right]^{2}$ | |
| z | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| x±il, | 0 0 2 | 1 -1 1 | $\frac{\pm 1}{\pm 1}$ ± 1 ± 1 | 0 0 0 | $\pm 1 \\ \pm 1 \\ \pm 1 \\ \pm 1 \\ \pm 1$ | $-\mathscr{S} [(N_z+1) (N-N_z \mp A)]^{\frac{1}{2}}$ $-\mathscr{S} [N_z (N-N_z \pm A+2)]^{\frac{1}{2}}$ $\mathscr{D} [(N_z+1) (N-N_z \pm A+2)]^{\frac{1}{2}}$ $\mathscr{D} [N_z (N-N_z \pm A)]^{\frac{1}{2}}$ | M1 operator |
| | - | • | ±. | , in the second s | ±. | 5 [112 (11 - 112 + 117)]2 | |

From J.P.Boisson and R.Piepenbring, Nucl. Phys. A168(1971)385.

f tables, you must be careful non-diagonal matrix elements, which depends on the phase convention of wave functions !

with exact quantum numbers, $N n_z \Lambda \Omega$.

tween realistic levels with quantum numbers, ined, to leading order,

Table 3.

$$\underline{\mathbf{3}}. \qquad \left| (\ell s) j, \Omega \right\rangle \equiv \frac{1}{r} R_{\ell j}(r) \sum_{m_{\ell} m_{s}} C(\ell, 1/2, j; m_{\ell} m_{s} \Omega) Y_{\ell m_{\ell}}(\theta, \phi) \chi_{1/2, m_{s}} \right. \\ \left. \left\langle \ell_{2} j_{2} \left| r^{\lambda} \right| \ell_{1} j_{1} \right\rangle \equiv \int_{0}^{\infty} dr R_{\ell_{2} j_{2}}(r) R_{\ell_{1} j_{1}}(r) r^{\lambda} \right.$$

 $\begin{aligned} \text{Matrix-elements of one-particle operators in } &|(\ell \text{ s}) \text{ j}, \Omega \rangle \text{ representations} \\ &\langle (\ell_2 s) j_2, \Omega \big| r^{\lambda} Y_{\lambda 0} \big| (\ell_1 s) j_1, \Omega \rangle \\ &= \delta \Big((-1)^{\ell_1 + \ell_2}, (-1)^{\lambda} \Big) \Big\langle \ell_2 j_2 \big| r^{\lambda} \big| \ell_1 j_1 \Big\rangle (-1)^{j_1 + j_2 + 1 + \lambda} (-1)^{\Omega - \frac{1}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{(2j_1 + 1)(2j_2 + 1)}{4\pi(2\lambda + 1)}} \\ &\quad C(j_2 j_1 \lambda; 1/2, -1/2, 0) \quad C(j_2 j_1 \lambda; \Omega, -\Omega, 0) \end{aligned}$

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle (\ell_2 s) j_2, \Omega + 1 | r^{\lambda} Y_{\lambda 1} | (\ell_1 s) j_1, \Omega \rangle \\ &= \delta \Big((-1)^{\ell_1 + \ell_2}, (-1)^{\lambda} \Big) \langle \ell_2 j_2 | r^{\lambda} | \ell_1 j_1 \rangle (-1)^{j_1 + j_2 + 1 + \lambda} (-1)^{\Omega - 1/2} \sqrt{\frac{(2 j_1 + 1)(2 j_2 + 1)}{4 \pi (2 \lambda + 1)}} \\ &\quad C(j_2 j_1 \lambda; 1/2, -1/2, 0) \quad C(j_2 j_1 \lambda; \Omega + 1, -\Omega, 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$= (-1) \langle (\ell_1 s) j_1, \Omega | r^{\lambda} Y_{\lambda - 1} | (\ell_2 s) j_2, \Omega + 1 \rangle$$

$$\begin{split} \langle (\ell_2 s) j_2, \Omega + 2 | r^{\lambda} Y_{\lambda 2} | (\ell_1 s) j_1, \Omega \rangle \\ &= \delta \Big((-1)^{\ell_1 + \ell_2}, (-1)^{\lambda} \Big) \langle \ell_2 j_2 | r^{\lambda} | \ell_1 j_1 \rangle (-1)^{j_1 + j_2 + 1 + \lambda} (-1)^{\Omega - 1/2} \sqrt{\frac{(2j_1 + 1)(2j_2 + 1)}{4\pi (2\lambda + 1)}} \\ &\quad C(j_2 j_1 \lambda; 1/2, -1/2, 0) \quad C(j_2 j_1 \lambda; \Omega + 2, -\Omega, 2) \\ &= \langle (\ell_1 s) j_1, \Omega | r^{\lambda} Y_{\lambda - 2} | (\ell_2 s) j_2, \Omega + 2 \rangle \end{split}$$

$$(\mathbf{s}_{\pm} = \mathbf{s}_{\mathbf{x}} \pm \mathbf{i} \mathbf{s}_{\mathbf{y}} \quad \text{etc.})$$
$$\langle \ell_2 j_2 | \ell_1 j_1 \rangle \equiv \int_0^\infty dr R_{\ell_2 j_2}(r) R_{\ell_1 j_1}(r)$$

$$\begin{split} &\langle (\ell_2 s) j_2, \Omega + 1 \big| s_+ \big| (\ell_1 s) j_1, \Omega \rangle \\ &= \delta(\ell_1, \ell_2) (-1)^{\ell_1 + j_1 + 1/2} \sqrt{3(2 j_1 + 1)} \quad C(j_1, 1, j_2; \Omega, 1, \Omega + 1) \quad W(1/2, j_2, 1/2, j_1; \ell_1 1) \langle \ell_2 j_2 \big| \ell_1 j_1 \rangle \\ &\langle (\ell_2 s) j_2, \Omega + 1 \big| \ell_+ \big| (\ell_1 s) j_1, \Omega \rangle \\ &= \delta(\ell_1, \ell_2) (-1)^{\ell_1 + j_2 - 1/2} \sqrt{2(2 j_1 + 1)} \sqrt{\ell_1 (\ell_1 + 1)(2 \ell_1 + 1)} \quad C(j_1 1 j_2; \Omega, 1, \Omega + 1) \quad W(\ell_2 j_2 \ell_1 j_1; 1/2, 1) \\ &\quad \langle \ell_2 j_2 \big| \ell_1 j_1 \rangle \end{split}$$

$$\left\langle (\ell_2 s) j_2, \Omega + 1 \left| j_+ \right| (\ell_1 s) j_1, \Omega \right\rangle = \delta(j_1, j_2) \sqrt{(j - \Omega)(j + \Omega + 1)} \left\langle \ell_2 j_2 \left| \ell_1 j_1 \right\rangle \right\rangle$$

$$\left\langle (\ell_2 s) j_2, \Omega \left| s_z \right| (\ell_1 s) j_1, \Omega \right\rangle$$

= $\delta(\ell_1, \ell_2) (-1)^{\ell_1 + j_1 - 1/2} \sqrt{\frac{3(2j_1 + 1)}{2}} C(j_1, 1, j_2; \Omega, 0, \Omega) W(1/2, j_2, 1/2, j_1; \ell_1 1) \left\langle \ell_2 j_2 \right| \ell_1 j_1 \right\rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle (\ell_2 s) j_2, \Omega \big| \ell_z \big| (\ell_1 s) j_1, \Omega \rangle \\ &= \delta(\ell_1, \ell_2) (-1)^{\ell_1 + j_2 + 1/2} \sqrt{2j_1 + 1} \sqrt{\ell_1 (\ell_1 + 1)(2\ell_1 + 1)} \quad C(j_1 1 j_2; \Omega 0 \Omega) \quad W(\ell_2 j_2 \ell_1 j_1; 1/2, 1) \\ &\quad \langle \ell_2 j_2 \big| \ell_1 j_1 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Phase convention in wave functions - important in non-diagonal matrix-elements

1) The coupling order of spin and orbit angular momentum ;

(**ls**)**j** or (**s***l*)**j**;
$$|(s\ell)j\rangle = (-1)^{\frac{1}{2}+\ell-j}|(\ell s)j\rangle$$

2) Angular part of one-particle wave functions is defined by ;

$$Y_{\ell m_\ell}(heta,\phi)$$
 or $i^\ell Y_{\ell m_\ell}(heta,\phi)$

3) The phase convention of $R_{\ell j}(r)$;

$$R_{\ell j}(r) \begin{cases} > 0 \text{ (or } < 0) \text{ for } r \to 0 \text{ , or} \\ > 0 \text{ (or } < 0) \text{ for } r \to \text{very large, or} \\ \text{output of computers} \end{cases}$$

5. Weakly-bound and resonant neutron levels in Y_{20} deformed potential

harmonic-oscillator potential

5.1. Weakly-bound neutrons

Remember the Nilsson diagram based on modified oscillator Hamiltonian for the *sd*-shell \rightarrow

6 doubly-degenerate levels in sd-shell

 $3 \quad \Omega^{\pi} = 1/2^{+} \quad (\ell_{\min} = 0)$ $2 \quad \Omega^{\pi} = 3/2^{+} \quad (\ell_{\min} = 2)$ $1 \quad \Omega^{\pi} = 5/2^{+} \quad (\ell_{\min} = 2)$ $1 \quad 2 \quad \text{particles}$



 $[N n_{z} \Lambda \Omega]$

A.Bohr and B.R.Mottelson, vol.2, Figure 5-1.

As $\epsilon_{\Omega}(<0) \rightarrow 0$, the structure of one-particle wave-functions may deviate from [N n_z $\Lambda \Omega$], even for $|\beta| \rightarrow$ large. Nevertheless, one-particle levels are denoted by original [N n_z $\Lambda \Omega$].

 $\Omega^{\pi} = 1/2^+$ one-particle level has $\ell_{\min} = 0$ component.

ex. Radial wave functions of the $[200 \frac{1}{2}]$ level in Woods-Saxon potentials.

(The radius of potentials is adjusted to obtain respective eigenvalues ϵ_{Ω} .)



Bound state with $\varepsilon_0 = -8.0$ MeV.

Bound state with $\varepsilon_0 = -0.0001$ MeV.



Similar behavior to wave functions in harmonic osc. potentials.

Wave functions unique in finite-well potentials.

For $\varepsilon \to 0$, the s-dominance will appear in all $\Omega^{\pi} = 1/2^+$ bound orbits. However, the energy, at which the dominance shows up, depends on both deformation and respective orbits.

ex. Calculated $s_{\frac{1}{2}}$ probability in three $\Omega^{\pi} = 1/2^+$ Nilsson orbits in the *sd*-shell as a function of energy eigenvalue ε_{Ω} .





, irrespective of the size of deformation and the kind of one-particle orbits.

The rotational spectra of deformed halo nuclei must come from the deformed core.

Ex. $\Omega^{\pi} = 1/2$ and 3/2 one-particle levels have $\ell_{min} = 1$ component.

The *p*-components increase as $\epsilon_{\Omega} \rightarrow 0$, but the probability at $\epsilon_{\Omega} = 0$ depends on respective levels, deformations, and the diffuseness of potentials.

Calculated probabilities of (l j) components of one-particle [N n₂ $\Lambda \Omega$] levels in the *pf* shell as a function of energy eigenvalue ε_0 .

[321 3/2] orbit



5.2. One-particle resonant levels in deformed potential – eigenphase formalism



W-S potential parameters are fixed except radius *R*.

 $(r_0 = 1.27 \text{ fm is used.})$

1) The majority of bound ($\varepsilon_{\Omega} < 0$) neutron $\Omega^{\pi} = 1/2^+$ levels do not continue to oneparticle resonant levels for $\varepsilon_{\Omega} > 0$. Even the resonant levels surviving for very small $\varepsilon_{\Omega} > 0$ die out at small ε_{Ω} , if an appreciable amount of $\ell_{min} = 0$ component is contained in wave functions.

2) The ℓ_{min} value in the components of deformed wave functions is crucial for both the width of one-particle resonant levels and up till which value of ϵ_{Ω} (> 0) the resonant level can survive.

3) One-particle levels die out at smaller ϵ_{Ω} (>0) values, for the potential with a larger diffuseness.

Radial wave functions of the [200 ¹/₂] level



The potential radius is adjusted to obtain respective eigenvalue ($\epsilon_{\Omega} < 0$) and resonance ($\epsilon_{\Omega} > 0$).

Resonant state with $\varepsilon_0 = +100 \text{ keV}$



OBS. Relative amplitudes of various components inside the potential remain nearly the same for $\epsilon_{\Omega} = -0.1 \text{ keV} \rightarrow +100 \text{ keV}$.

Neutron resonant levels in deformed potential

One-particle resonant levels in deformed potentials are defined using eigenphase formalism :

One eigenphase δ_0 increases through $\pi/2$ as ϵ_0 increases

one-particle resonance in deformed potential

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R.G.Newton, Scattering Theory of Waves and Particles (McGraw-Hill, New York, 1966)

(Among an infinite number of positive-energy one-particle levels, one-particle resonant levels are most important in the construction of many-body correlations of nuclear bound states.)

In the limit of $\beta \rightarrow 0$ the definition of one-particle resonance in the eigenphase formalism



the definition in spherical potentials in terms of phase shift.

For $\mathcal{E}_{\Omega} < 0$

Do not restrict the system in a finite box !

$$R_{\ell j\Omega}(r) \propto r k_{\ell}(\alpha_b r)$$
 for $r \to \infty$

where $k_\ell(\alpha_b r)$ is the modified spherical Bessel function of the third kind, and $\alpha_b^2 \equiv -\frac{2m\varepsilon_\Omega}{\hbar^2}$

For $\varepsilon_{\Omega} > 0$

$$R_{\ell j\Omega}(r) \propto \cos(\delta_{\Omega}) r j_{\ell}(\alpha_{c} r) - \sin(\delta_{\Omega}) r n_{\ell}(\alpha_{c} r) \qquad \text{for} \qquad r \to \infty$$
$$\to \sin(\alpha_{c} r + \delta_{\Omega} - \ell \frac{\pi}{2})$$

where $\alpha_c^2 \equiv \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \varepsilon_{\Omega}$

 $\delta_{
m o}$: eigenphase common to all ℓj channels

Due to the axially-symmetric deformation, radial wave-functions $R_{lj\Omega}(r)$ for a given Ω but different lj values are coupled. All (lj) components of a solution of coupled-channel equations have a common eigenphase.

A given eigenchannel : asymptotic radial wave-functions behave in the same way for all (*l*j) components.

One-particle resonant level in a deformed potential : one of eigenphases δ_0 increases through $\pi/2$ as ϵ_0 increases.



When one-particle resonant level in terms of one eigenphase is obtained, the width Γ_{Ω} of the resonance in the intrinsic system is calculated by

$$\Gamma_{\Omega} \equiv \frac{2}{\left[\frac{d\delta_{\Omega}}{d\varepsilon_{\Omega}}\right]_{\varepsilon_{\Omega} = \varepsilon_{\Omega}^{res}}} \qquad : \text{ in }$$

: intrinsic width

Some comments on eigenphase ;

1) For a given potential and a given ε_{Ω}

there are several (in principle, an infinite number of) solutions of eigenphase δ_{Ω} .

- 2) The number of eigenphases for a given potential and a given ε_{Ω} is equal to that of wave function components with different (ℓ ,j) values.
- 3) The value of δ_{Ω} determines the relative amplitudes of different (ℓ ,j) components.
- 4) In the region of small values of ε_{Ω} (> 0), only one of eigenphases varies strongly as a function of ε_{Ω} , while other eigenphases remain close to the values of $n\pi$.

5.3. Examples of Nilsson diagrams for lighter neutron-rich nuclei

- 1. $\sim {}^{17}C_{11}$ (S(n) = 0.73 MeV, 3/2⁺)
- 2. $\sim {}^{31}\text{Mg}_{19}$ (S(n) = 2.38 MeV, 1/2⁺)
 - ~ ³³Mg₂₁ (S(n) = 2.22 MeV, 3/2⁻)
- 3. $\sim {}^{31}\text{Ne}_{21}$ (S(n) = 0.29 ± 1.64 MeV, halo structure)
- 4. $\sim {}^{37}\text{Mg}_{25}$ (S(n) = a few hundreds keV ?)
- 5. $\sim {}^{41}\text{Si}_{27}$ (S(n) = 1.34 ± 0.57 MeV)
- 6. $\sim {}^{45}S_{29}$ (S(n) = 2.86 ± 0.77 MeV)
- 7. A ~ 75 region

Near degeneracy of some weakly-bound or resonant levels in spherical potential, unexpected from the knowledge on stable nuclei

- the origin of deformation and

Jahn-Teller effect

One-particle neutron energies as a function of quadrupole deformation β

 $N \sim 8$ region





One-particle neutron energies as a function of quadrupole deformation β

 $N \sim 20$ region



 $-0.91 \ (\beta = 0.35, [330 \ 1/2])$

 $3/2^{-}$

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One-particle neutron energies as a function of quadrupole deformation β




 $[N n_{z} \Lambda \Omega]$ Neutron one-particle levels in Woods-Saxon potential At <mark>β=0</mark>; 8 $V_{WS} = -39.0 \text{ MeV}$ R = 4.38 fm a = 0.67 fm $\epsilon(2p_{3/2}) - \epsilon(1f_{7/2}) = 1.20$ MeV $-\cdots - \Omega^{\pi} = 7/2^{-1}$ ••••• $\Omega^{\pi} = 1/2^{-1}$ $--- \Omega^{\pi} = 3/2^{-1}$ $- \cdot - \Omega^{\pi} = 5/2^{-1}$ 6 4 (MeV) 2 εn 41Si₂₇ $S(n) = 1.34 \pm 0.6$ MeV -2 -4 [330 1/2 -6 d_{3/2} $\ln \mu_{calc} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} g_R = 0.38 \quad \text{(for } \beta \neq 0) \\ g^{eff} = (0.7) g_{\perp}^{free} \end{array} \right\}$ -8 are used. -0.4 -0.3 -0.2 -0.1 0.0 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 quadrupole-deformation parameter β

| Nucleus | S(n) (MeV) | $(I^{\pi})_{cal}$ | $\mu_{calc} (ext{at } eta, [ext{N} 	ext{ n}_z 	ext{ } \Omega]) \ (\mu_N)$ |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|---|
| ⁴¹ Si ₂₇ | 1.34 | $3/2^{-}$ | $+0.07 \ (\beta = -0.4, \ [301 \ 1/2])$ |
| | | $3/2^{-}$ | $-0.66 \ (\beta = 0.25, [321 \ 1/2])$ |
| | | $5/2^{-}$ | $-0.58~(\beta{=}0.45,~[312~5/2])$ |

Then, $\mu_{calc}(p_{1/2}) = +0.4 \mu_N$ $\mu_{calc}(p_{3/2}) = -1.3 \mu_N$ $\mu_{calc}(f_{7/2}) = -1.3 \mu_N$

Cf. In ${}^{43}S_{27}$ the 320 keV isomeric state has 7/2 ⁻ from g-factor measurement \rightarrow The ground state is deformed ?

N ~ 28 region



| Nucleus | S(n) | $(I^{\pi})_{cal}$ | $\mu_{calc} (at \beta, [N n_z \Lambda \Omega])$ |
|---------------|-------|-------------------|---|
| | (MeV) | | (μ_N) |
| $^{45}S_{29}$ | 2.21 | $7/2^{-}$ | $-0.74 \ (\beta = 0.25, [303 \ 7/2])$ |
| | | $1/2^{-}$ | $+0.59 \ (\beta=0.45, \ [310 \ 1/2])$ |
| | | $1/2^{-}$ | $+0.59 \ (\beta = -0.40, \ [310 \ 1/2])$ |
| | | $3/2^{-}$ | $+0.16 \ (\beta = -0.40, \ [312 \ 3/2])$ |

Then, $\mu_{calc}(p_{1/2}) = +0.4 \mu_N$ $\mu_{calc}(p_{3/2}) = -1.3 \mu_N$ $\mu_{calc}(f_{7/2}) = -1.3 \mu_N$

A ~ 75 region



In the case of very weak binding

51st neutron ex. ${}^{75}_{24}Cr_{51}$?

Neutron-drip-line nuclei with N=51have a good chance to have the ground or very low-lying $I^{\pi} = 1/2^+$ state, irrespective of spherical or deformed shape.

N ~ 50 region

In lecture V.3 a way of calculating observed quantities in lab system using deformed intrinsic wave functions is shown, which can be of practical use though it involves an approximation. The set of basis wave functions given in V.3 are useful also for including rotational perturbation. Here, we show ;

Appendix. Angular momentum projection from a deformed intrinsic state $\ket{\phi}$

(not applicable when rotational perturbation of intrinsic states has to be included.)

Rotational operator $R(\Omega)$ Ω : Euler angles (α, β, γ)

$$R(\Omega) \equiv e^{-i\alpha J_z} e^{-i\beta J_y} e^{-i\gamma J_z}$$

Rotation matrix $D_{MM'}^J(\Omega)$

$$\langle \alpha JM | R(\Omega) | \alpha' J'M' \rangle = \delta(\alpha, \alpha') \delta(J, J') D_{MM'}^{J}(\Omega)$$

Inverting the expression

$$R(\Omega) = \sum_{\alpha J} \left| \alpha JM \right\rangle D_{MM'}^{J}(\Omega) \left\langle \alpha JM' \right\rangle$$

Multiplying by $D_{MM'}^{J^{*}}(\Omega)$ and integrating over Ω , we obtain a projection operator

$$P_{M}^{J} \equiv \sum_{\alpha} \left| \alpha JM \right\rangle \left\langle \alpha JM \right| = \frac{2J+1}{8\pi^{2}} \int d\Omega D_{MM}^{J}^{*}(\Omega) R(\Omega)$$

We need to calculate the expressions

$$\left\langle \phi \left| P_{M}^{J} \right| \phi \right\rangle = \frac{2J+1}{8\pi^{2}} \int d\Omega D_{MM}^{J^{*}}(\Omega) \left\langle \phi \left| R(\Omega) \right| \phi \right\rangle$$
$$\left\langle \phi \left| HP_{M}^{J} \right| \phi \right\rangle = \frac{2J+1}{8\pi^{2}} \int d\Omega D_{MM}^{J^{*}}(\Omega) \left\langle \phi \left| HR(\Omega) \right| \phi \right\rangle$$

Appendix (continued)

If
$$|\phi\rangle$$
 is axially symmetric, $J_z |\phi\rangle = M |\phi\rangle$
 $\langle \phi | R(\Omega) | \phi \rangle = e^{-i\alpha M} \langle \phi | e^{-i\beta J_y} | \phi \rangle e^{-i\gamma M}$
 $D_{MM}^J(\Omega) = e^{-i\alpha M} \langle JM | e^{-i\beta J_y} | JM \rangle e^{-i\gamma M}$

then, using the "reduced rotation matrix" $d_{MM'}^J(\theta) = \langle JM | e^{-i\theta J_y} | JM' \rangle$

which describes the collective rotational motion, one obtains

$$\left\langle \phi \left| P_{M}^{J} \right| \phi \right\rangle = \frac{2J+1}{2} \int_{0}^{\pi} d\theta \sin \theta d_{MM}^{J}(\theta) \left\langle \phi \left| e^{-i\theta J_{y}} \right| \phi \right\rangle$$
$$\left\langle \phi \left| HP_{M}^{J} \right| \phi \right\rangle = \frac{2J+1}{2} \int_{0}^{\pi} d\theta \sin \theta d_{MM}^{J}(\theta) \left\langle \phi \left| He^{-i\theta J_{y}} \right| \phi \right\rangle$$

where the overlap functions :

$$\langle \phi | e^{-i\theta J_y} | \phi \rangle$$

 $\begin{cases} \approx 1 \text{ for } \theta << 1, \\ \text{decreases quickly as } \theta \rightarrow \text{larger (at least in heavier deformed nuclei),} \\ \text{is symmetric about } \theta = \pi/2. \end{cases}$