Recent Experiments on Nucleon Correlation Studies using Knockout and Transfer Reactions

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- Direct Reactions for Nucleon Correlations
- In-beam gamma Spectroscopy for Shell Evolutions
 60 NaI Detectors → DALI2 Upgrade @ RIKEN
- Beta-decay Spectroscopy for Shell Evolutions

Upcoming Experiments



- I) Asymmetry Dependence of Nucleon Correlations Transfer reactions of ^{34,46}Ar at 70 MeV/u National Superconducting Cyclotrons Laboratory, Michigan State University, United States (Dec 2014)
- **II) Alpha-cluster and Multi-neutrons in ¹⁴Be Quasi-free scattering reactions of ¹⁴Be at 250 AMeV RIBF Nishina Center, RIKEN, Japan**

T. Lokotko, PhD thesis (Co-supervisor: Didier Beaumel)

III) Structure of ⁵⁶Ca and Magicity of ⁵⁴Ca In-beam gamma spectroscopy of ^{53,56}Ca at 250 AMeV RIBF Nishina Center, RIKEN, Japan

J. Liu, PhD thesis



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Analyzed by Y. Sun (PKU), Ph.D thesis

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Nucleon Correlations



Probing the nuclear wave function

Removing nucleon from occupied orbital → *Cross sections (probability)* depend on the single-particle occupancy & overlap of many-body wave functions

Spectroscopic Factor (SF)

Cross Sections + Reaction Model

→ Spectroscopic Factors (expt) Quantify Occupancy → Correlation Effects

How much ? What is the Isospin Dependence of nucleon correlations? How good the effective interaction in Shell Model can describe the correlations ?



SM description is accurate



Some correlations missing in the interactions ?



(e,e'p) – Stable nuclei (near closed shell)

- <u>Constant</u>~30-40% of SF reduction compared to theory
- Correlations missing in interactions used in SM
 - L. Lapikas, Nucl. Phys. A553, 297c (1993)

Extend SF measurements to Exotic Nuclei !

Isospin Dependence of Shell Occupancies?



Q: Isospin Dependence ?

Knockout reactions: Yes & Strong

^{32,34,46}Ar(⁹Be,X) at ~ 70 A MeV

A. Gade et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 93, 042501 (2004) Phys. Rev. C 77, 044306 (2008) & reference therein

Transfer reactions: Weak

p(^{34,36,46}Ar,d) at 33 A MeV

J. Lee et al., Phys. Rev. Lett 104, 112701 (2010) Phys. Rev. C 83, 014606 (2011)



Systematic difference between two probes !

Incompatibility → Incomplete understanding in underlying reaction mechanism

<u>Transfer Reaction</u> ✓ NSCL: ^{34,46}Ar(p,d) at 70 A MeV - same energy as knockout reactions for direct comparison

Transfer Reactions for Correlation Studies





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Knockout Reaction ?

Knockout Reaction Mechanism



NSCL, MSU - ¹⁴O knockout at 60 MeV/A F. Flavigny *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 108, 252501 (2012)

Reaction Theory: Eikonal & Sudden Approximations

J. Tostevin et al., J. Phys. G, Part. Phys. 25, 735 (1999)



<u>1. Reaction energy high enough ?</u>

✓ Data at energies of 200-300 AMeV

Spectroscopic information towards "Island of Inversion" using knockout reaction with in-beam gamma technique



Energy Dependence ?



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GANIL E569S – SPIRAL d(¹⁴O,t) ¹³O at 18 A MeV F. Flavigny, A. Obertelli *et al.* Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 122503 (2013)

2. Inert-core ?



C. Louchart, A. Obertelli et al., Phys. Rev. C 83, 011601 (R) (2011) Intranuclear Cascade Model (*INC*)

Proj.		ℓj	C^2S	σ_{exp} (mb)	$\sigma_{\rm casc}$	σ_{evap} (mb)	σ	σ _{eik} (mb)	δ
¹⁴ 0	-n	P _{3/2}	3.7	13.4 ± 1.4	11.6	4.2	15.8	50	0.3
	-p	$P_{1/2}$	1.8	67 ± 6	22.5	31.4	53.9	41.2	1.3

INC: Significant core-excitation process depletes the one-neutron removal channel

Understanding the knockout reaction mechanism needed !



Study of Reaction Mechanism

Fully Exclusive Measurements of reaction products





Hodoscope and Tube Chamber







T. Motobayashi & Rikkyo University group

42 Scintillators (1-meter long)
3 layers (active area of 1x1 m²)
ΔE : 5 mm thick (13 bars)
E1, E2: 60 mm thick

Between Target to Hodoscope: 3.6 meters in vacuum → Position, Timing Eenergy resolution

Hodoscope Acceptance: 0°-7°

Data in Analysis Y. Sun (PKU), Ph.D Thesis



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Neutron-Proton Pair Correlations



Long-standing open fundamental questions:

• Nature of T=0 pair in nuclear medium ?

• Mutual Strength & Interplay of T=0 and T=1 *np*, *nn*, *pp* pairs ?

• Does T=0 pairing give rise to collective modes ?

Two-nucleon Transfer Reactions

PRL 94, 162502 (2005)

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Deuteron Transfer in N = Z Nuclei

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Interacting Boson Model (IBM-4)

TABLE I. Predicted deuteron-transfer intensities C_T^2 between even-even (EE) and odd-odd (OO) N = Z nuclei in the SU(4) (b/a = 0) and $U_T(3) \otimes U_S(3)$ $(|b/a| \gg 1)$ limits.

	Limit	Reaction	$C_{T=0}^{2}$	$C_{T=1}^{2}$				
	b/a = 0	$EE \rightarrow OO_{T=0}$	$\frac{1}{2}(N_{\rm b}+6)$	0				
		$EE \rightarrow OO_{T=1}$	0	$\frac{1}{2}(N_{\rm b}+6)$				
		$OO_{T=0} \rightarrow EE$	$\frac{1}{2}(N_{\rm b}+1)$	0				
		$OO_{T=1} \rightarrow EE$	0	$\frac{1}{2}(N_{\rm b}+1)$				
	$b/a \ll -1$	$EE \rightarrow OO_{T=0}$	$N_{\rm b} + 3$	0				
T=0 s	stronger	$EE \rightarrow OO_{T=1}$	0	3				
	stronger	$OO_{T=0} \rightarrow EE$	$N_{\rm b} + 1$	0				
	$b/a \gg +1$	$EE \rightarrow OO_{T=0}$	3	0				
T 1		$EE \rightarrow OO_{T=1}$	0	$N_{\rm b} + 3$				
<i>T=1</i>	stronger	$OO_{T=1} \rightarrow EE$	0	$N_{\rm b} + 1$				

T=0 (T=1) pairing: enhanced transfer probabilities $0^+ \rightarrow 1^+ (0^+ \rightarrow 0^+)$ levels



Measure the np transfer cross section to T=1 and T=0 states Absolute $\sigma(T=1)$ and $\sigma(T=0)$ – character and strength of the correlations $\sigma(T=1) / \sigma(T=0)$ – interplay of T=1 and T=0 pairing modes

Systematic studies of neutron-proton pairing in *sd*-shell nuclei using $(p, {}^{3}He)$ and $({}^{3}He, p)$ transfer reactions



RCNP
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³He beam at 25 MeV ²⁴Mg(³He,p), ³²S(³He,p)

Proton beam at 65 MeV

²⁴Mg(p,³He),²⁸Si(p,³He),⁴⁰Ca(p,³He)

also 2n-transfer and 1n-transfer data

Grand Raiden \rightarrow recoil particle

LAS \rightarrow elastic scattering reaction (beam normalization & target thickness measurement)

65 MeV proton / 25 MeV ³He beams from injector AVF cyclotron (bypass Ring-Cyclotron)



Systematic studies of neutron-proton pairing in *sd*-shell nuclei using (*p*,³*He*) and (³*He*,*p*) transfer reactions

 ^{24}Mg (³He,p) at 25MeV





Data Analysis by Y. Ayyad (RCNP)



Reaction Model (G. Potel (MSU)):

Calc. of absolute (p,t) cross sections achieved:

- Proper pairing interaction
- Multistep (successive, simultaneous)

G. Potel et al., Phys. Rev. Lett 107, 092501

Extend to np-transfer with T=0 pairing included

"Unusual" neutron-proton Correlations in ¹²C



First final-state-exclusive np knockout data



First final-state-exclusive *np* knockout data *np*-Correlations & 3-body Force

No-core shell model (NCSM) *ab initio* calculations (including realistic 2-body interaction and 3-body forces)

E. C. Simpson, P. Navrátil, R. Roth, and J. A. Tostevin et. al., PRC 86, 054609(2012)



First final-state-exclusive np knockout data



"Unusual" neutron-proton Correlations in ¹²C



J.M. Kidd et al., PRC 37, 2613 (1988): Ratio: ~ 6 (250AMeV) D.L. Olsonet al., PRC 28 ,1062 (1983): Ratio: ~ 4 (2.1 GeV)

Ratio is Energy Dependent!

Higher energy → Pick-up Pairs with higher relative momentum

Behavior of T=0 *np***-correlations: function of pair relative momentum !**

Larger $\Delta P \rightarrow \text{Smaller } \Delta x$

Properties of Tensor Interaction at Different Ranges Determined



Unified Probe to Cover the Entire Ranges

How about using proton beam ? ¹²C(*p*,*ppN*)

A variety of incident energies (MeV-GeV) Simple Measurement → Direct and Clear Probe to SRC Larger Production Yield → More Statistics Future: Proton Target & Radioactive Beam





Experimental Program: ¹²C ,⁴⁰Ca, ⁴⁸Ca, ²⁰⁸Pb, d (800 MeV – 2.8 GeV)

Summary I

Asymmetry Dependence of Nucleon Correlations



RIKEN RIBF31 Collaborators:

One Nucleon Konckout Reaction on ³⁰Ne



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energie atomique - energies alternatives

Summary II

N=Z nuclei in sd-shell







Systematic studies of neutron-proton pairing in *sd*-shell nuclei using $(p, {}^{3}He)$ and $({}^{3}He, p)$ transfer reactions

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