Outline: Nuclear shell structure exotic nuclei

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- 1. shell structure of super-heavy nuclei (²⁵⁰Fm, ²⁵⁴No)
- 2. classical anomalies: ¹¹Be, ¹¹Li
- 3. monopole interaction of the tensor force: N=20, N=28
- 4. neutron-proton pairing in ⁹²Pd



New challenges in nuclear structure new magic numbers



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Spectroscopy of transfermium nuclei (Z=100-103)

super-heavy elements





Nucleare shell structure

Where is the next shell closure ?









Nilsson-model

- deformed oscillator potential
- axially symmetry around the z-axis → nuclei can rotate

 $\omega_x = \omega_y \equiv \omega_\perp$

 $\omega_x \cdot \omega_y \cdot \omega_z = \omega_0^3$

Hamiltonian

$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \Delta + \frac{m}{2} \cdot \left[\omega_{\perp}^2 \cdot (x^2 + y^2) + \omega_z^2 \cdot z^2\right] + C \cdot \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} + D \cdot \vec{L}^2$$

deformation parameter $\boldsymbol{\delta}$

$$\omega_{\perp}^{2} = \omega_{0}^{2} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{2}{3} \cdot \delta\right) \qquad \omega_{z}^{2} = \omega_{0}^{2} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{4}{3} \cdot \delta\right)$$

$$\hbar^{2} \qquad m \qquad 0 \quad z = 0 \quad z = 0 \quad z = 0$$

$$H = -\frac{n^{-}}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \Delta + \frac{m}{2} \cdot \omega_{0}^{2} \cdot r^{2} + C \cdot \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} + D \cdot \vec{L}^{2} - m \cdot \omega_{0}^{2} \cdot r^{2} \cdot \delta \cdot \frac{4}{3} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{5}{4 \cdot \pi}} \cdot Y_{20}(\theta, \phi)$$
shell model with H.O. potential
$$H_{def}$$



- separation of laboratory system and body-fixed (intrinsic) system
- K = projection of the single-particle angular momentum onto the symmetry axis
- Rotation perpendicular to the symmetry axis does not change the K-quantum number







Nilsson-model

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Intruder

Orbitals are lifted or lowered, that orbitals from other shells with opposite parity are crossed

Kэ K₁ 10 8 $V=m/2^{*}\omega^{2}x_{i}^{2}$ 6 0∔ -8 -6 _4 -2 Ò Ż 4 Ġ 8 х

Orbital 1 is closer to the center of gravity than orbital 2.

The energy of orbital 1 is lowest.

(attention: negative sign in Hamiltonian)



Single particle orbitals

R. Chasman et al. Rev. Mod. Phys. 49 (1977), 833



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Stability of heavy elements – Nilsson energy levels





Level scheme of ²⁵³No (151 neutrons)





Level schemes in neutron-rich Pb isotopes

Pb205 1.53E+7 v	Pb206	РЬ207	Pb208	Pb209 3,253 h	Pb210 22.3 v	Pb211 36.1 m	Pb212 10.64 h	Pb213 10.2 m	Pb214 26.8 m	Pb215 36 s	<i>Pb216</i>	<i>Pb217</i>	<i>Pb218</i>
5/2-	0+	1/2-	0+	9/2+	0+	9/2+	0+	(9/2+)	0+	(5/2+)			
EC *	24.1	22.1	52.4	β-	β-,α	β-	β-	β-	β-	β-			

g_{9/2}





The magic numbers near stable nuclei





Maria Goeppert-Mayer (1906-1972) Hans Jensen (1907-1973)

magic numbers with constant shell closures are not so robust, as we thought.





Nuclear shell structure experimental hints for magic numbers



nuclei with magic numbers

neutron / proton: high energies for 2_1^+ states

small B(E2; $2_1^+ \rightarrow 0^+$) values

transition probabilities are measured in Weisskopf units (spu)

What happens far away from the valley of stability?



Extreme single-particle shell model





energies of shell closure:

$$BE\binom{17}{9}F_7 - BE\binom{16}{8}O_8 = E(0d_{5/2})$$

$$BE\binom{15}{7}N_8 - BE\binom{16}{8}O_8 = -E(0p_{1/2})$$

$$E(0d_{5/2}) - E(0p_{1/2}) = BE\binom{17}{9}F_8 + BE\binom{15}{7}N_8 - 2 \cdot BE\binom{16}{8}O_8$$

$$= -11.526 MeV$$

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$$= -11.519 \, MeV$$



good prediction of spin parity $\pi = (-1)^{\ell}$ magnetic moment

proton neutron

 $^{16}_{8}O_{8}$



Single-particle energies



Single-particle states observed in odd-A nuclei (especially one nucleon + doubly magic nucleus as ⁴He, ¹⁶O, ⁴⁰Ca) are characterized by the single-particle energies in the shell model picture.





Several anomalies were observed in shell structures of exotic nuclei: proton-rich or neutron-rich



The $2s_{1/2}$ orbital (parity +) and the $1p_{1/2}$ orbital (parity -) are inverted ?? (*parity inversion*)







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The s component in the ground state is essential for creating a halo structure.

Schrödinger equation:

tion:
$$\left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2\cdot\mu}\nabla^2 + V(r)\right]\Psi(r) = E\Psi(r)$$
 $\Psi(r) = u_{nl}(r)\cdot Y_{lm}(\vartheta,\varphi)$

$$\frac{d^2u}{dr^2} + \frac{2}{r}\frac{du}{dr} + \left[\frac{2\cdot\mu}{\hbar^2}\left(E - V(r)\right) - \frac{\ell\cdot(\ell+1)}{\underline{r^2}}\right]u(r)$$

centrifugal barrier ($\ell = 0$ for s-wave)

neutron-rich nuclei (¹¹Be, ¹¹Li)

- \rightarrow instable: flat nuclear potential
- \rightarrow the wave function is extended
- → for s-orbitals, the radial extension is not blocked by the centrifugal barrier (halo)





Halo nuclei



What can we expect at the neutron-dripline?



wave function outside of the potential



$$\kappa^{2} = \frac{2 \cdot \mu \cdot E}{\hbar^{2}} \approx 0.05 \cdot E(MeV) \quad [fm^{-2}]$$

The smaller the binding energy, the more extended is the wave function

$$\langle r^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \kappa^2} \cdot (1 + \kappa \cdot R) \approx \frac{\hbar^2}{4 \cdot \mu \cdot S_n}$$

Е	κ ²	κ	1/κ ~ r
7 MeV	0.35 fm ⁻²	0.6 fm ⁻¹	1.7 fm
1 MeV	0.05 fm ⁻²	0.2 fm ⁻¹	4.5 fm
0.1 MeV	0.005 fm ⁻²	0.07 fm ⁻¹	14 fm



Halo nuclei



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Change of the magic number near N=8: ¹²Be









Is the magic number changed only in halo nuclei ? No! It holds also for ¹²Be.

This observation indicates a universal evolution of the shell structure.





nucleon-nucleon residual interaction

The specific proton-neutron interaction (**monopole term of the tensor-force**) can change the single-particle order, depending on the proton-neutron ratio of the nucleus.

The strong attractive p-n force between $J_{>}$ and $J_{<}$ orbitals ($\begin{cases} >: \ell + 1/2 \\ <: \ell - 1/2 \end{cases}$ for example, $\pi p_{3/2}$ and $\nu p_{1/2}$)







The deuteron



The deuteron is an ideal candidate for tests of our basic understanding of nuclear physics





- The measured *nuclear spin* of the deuteron is J = 1
- The *parity* of the deuteron is *positive*, only even *angular momenta* $\ell = 0$ and $\ell = 2$.
- The *magnetic moment* of the deuteron yields to $\mu = 0.8574 \cdot \mu_K$ The angular momentum has to 4% the value of $\ell = 2$
- The deuteron is *not spherical*.

It has an experimentally determined *quadrupole moment* of Q = 0.00282 eb.



A free neutron and a free proton have no electric quadrupole moment.

The deuteron can only possess a quadrupole moment because of its angular momentum of $\ell = 2$.

$$Q_{zz} = \int \rho(\vec{r}) \cdot r^2 \cdot (3 \cdot \cos^2\theta - 1) d\tau$$

A pure $\ell = 0$ wave function has a vanishing quadrupole moment, because of its rotational symmetry.

The nuclear force is spin dependent !

The nuclear forces must raise a torsional moment, that depend on the radius r and the angle θ .

If the nuclear force depends on r and θ , then there is a non-central force component a **Tensor force**



Simplified picture of monopole effects of the tensor force

nucleon-nucleon residual interaction

The example shows the proton configuration $(0p_{3/2})$ of ¹⁴C₈. The more protons are in $0p_{3/2}$ orbital, the more the $0p_{1/2}$ neutron orbital will be attracted and the shell closure at N=8 develops.

For ¹²Be₈ the proton orbital $0p_{3/2}$ will be emptied, the interaction is weaker and the neutron orbital $0p_{1/2}$ will be lifted.



T. Otsuka et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 95, 232502 (2005), Phys. Rev. Lett. 97, 162501 (2006)



The effect of the tensor force on the ls-coupling





The effect of the tensor force on the ls-coupling







 $\pi d_{3/2}$ by +1.2 MeV.



Application to other shells

β -DECAY SCHEMES OF VERY NEUTRON-RICH SODIUM ISOTOPES AND THEIR DESCENDANTS

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Status of the art... N=28 N=20 40Ca Doubly Magic \rightarrow - spherical Z=20 ⁴⁰Ca ⁴⁸Ca 44Ca ⁴⁶Ca - high 2+ energy 50 Sn - low B(E2) 38Ar Z=18 ⁴⁶Ar N=20 Z=16 ³⁶5 ⁴⁴S **'E(2+)** [MeV] Z=14 ³⁴Si ⁴²Si Mg Ca Z=12 ³²Mg ⁴⁰Mg Ne S Z=10 0 ³⁰Ne ³⁸Ne 12 16 20 24 Ν Evidence of the nuclear shell model: high energies of the 2_1^+ states for nuclei with magic numbers



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N=20







N=20





 ${}^{36}_{16}S_{20}$

N=20







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The shell structure is strongly influenced by the attractive p-n force between $J_{>}$ and $J_{<}$ orbitals (π d_{5/2} and ν d_{3/2}).



Nuclear shell structure

Experimental evidence of the magic number

N=28



Evidence of the nuclear shell model:

high energies of the 2_1^+ state

for nuclei with magic number

Nuclear field theory: Nuclear many-particle probl

Nuclear many-particle problem will be solved relativistically with the consequence: attractive scalar field (S-V) repulsive vector field (S+V)

Relativistic quasi-particle random phase approximation



Nuclear shell structure Large similarity between three numbers of the HO-shell model



O. S., MG Porquet PPNP (2008)

Same mechanism :

- small 2⁺ energies for N=8, 20 and 40
- Inversion between normal and intruder states for N=40
- Search for a (super)deformed 0^+_2 state in ⁶⁸Ni
- Proof the extreme deformation of ⁶⁴Cr



Nuclear shell structure

development of the HO-shell closure

INTERACTION

SPIN –FLIP $\Delta \ell = 0$



Nuclear shell structure







Signatures near closed shells

Sn100	Sn101	Sn102	Sn103	Sn104 20.8 s	Sn105	Sn106 115 :	Sn107 2.90 m	Sn108 10.30 m	Sn109 18.0 m	Sn110 4.11 b	Sn111 35.3 m	Sn112	Sn113 115.09 d	Sn114	Sn115	Sn116	Sn117	Sn118	Sn119	Sn120	Sn121 27.06 h	Sn122	Sn123 129.2 d	Sn124	Sn125 9.64 d	Sn126 1E+5 y	Sn127 2.10 h	Sn128 59.07 m	Sn129 2.23 m	Sn130 3.72 m	Sn131 56.0 :	Sn132
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two proton holes in the $g_{9/2}$ orbit

No dramatic shell quenching!

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A. Jungclaus et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 99 (2007), 132501

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Isoscalar neutron-proton pairing in 92Pd



B. Cederwall et al., Nature 469 (2011), 68 T.S. Brock et al., Phys. Rev. C82 (2010) 061309



New magic numbers









The shell evolution expected for medium-mass and heavy nuclei

The influence to r – process abundances





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