Probes of structure: heavier halo systems, shell evolution and correlations in and exotic nuclei

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Radioactive ion-beam facilities – now and future



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Asymmetry \rightarrow two (very) displaced Fermi surfaces



Motivations/questions/difficulties

- Understand (i) the evolution of nuclear structure with N:Z asymmetry and (ii) the structures near the limits of binding – e.g. are there heavier halo systems?
- 2. Short-lived how can we make progress with this based on simple (often inclusive) reaction data?
- Can we pose stricter tests of many-body structure models (mostly shell-model currently) and their 1N and 2N (correlations) content? – currently, tests of the quality and predictive power of effective inter'ns in CI model calculations
- 4. Can we make this reaction/structure interface and methodology and testing quantitative?

Outline of my contribution

- 1. Why and where halos? mean field effects and level migration/evolution breakdown of N=8,20
- 2. How do we?/can we? identify halo systems from limited and exclusive data
- 2. Reaction probes for weakly bound systems
- 3. Opportunities for (quantitative) tests of the shell model and many-body structure models – e.g. their 2N correlations content – from 2N removal data?
- 4. Test cases (p- and sd-shell) predictions
- 5. Summary comments

Halos – the driplines in the light nuclei



Identifying heavier halo cases: ²²C and ³¹Ne



From T. Nakamura

Low angular momentum states see well diffuseness





<u>Attractive</u> interaction between neutrons and protons occupying $j_{>}$ and $j_{<}$ levels, <u>repulsive</u> j> and j> levels – from several sources, but primarily the tensor force

Takaharu Otsuka et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. **87**, 082502 (2001), **95**, 232502 (2005), **105**, 032501 (2010)

Migration of levels at N=7 – breakdown of N=8



From: P.G. Hansen and J.A. Tostevin, Ann Rev Nucl Part Sci 53 (2003) 219

Breakdown of N=20



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Coulomb excitation - breakup mechanism





T. Nakamura et al., PRL 83, 1112 (1999)



T. Nakamura et al., PRL96,252502 (2006)



T. Nakamura et al., PRL 103, 262501 (2009)

Sudden removal – eikonal reaction dynamics



$$\sigma_I = \frac{1}{2I+1} \sum_M \int d\vec{b} \langle F_{IM} | \hat{O}(c,1,2) | F_{IM} \rangle$$

2N stripping : $\hat{O}(c, 1, 2) = |S_c|^2 (1 - |S_1|^2) (1 - |S_2|^2)$

J.A. Tostevin *et al.*, PRC 70 (2004) 064602 and PRC 74 (2006) 064604 P.G. Hansen and J.A. Tostevin, Ann Rev Nucl Part Sci **53** (2003) 219



and component equations







H. Simon et al, PRL **83** (1999) 496

Eikonal and sudden model - requires two 'sizes'



Inclusive neutron removal – ¹⁵⁻¹⁹C isotopes





Shell-model: spdf-m predictions for ³¹Ne \rightarrow ³⁰Ne



Cross section predictions for ³¹Ne \rightarrow ³⁰Ne

³¹Ne(3/2⁻,
$$S_n = 20 \text{ keV}$$
) \rightarrow ³⁰Ne(J^{π})
 $3p - 2h(96\%)$ $2p - 2h(74\%)$
 $[2p_{3/2} \otimes 0^+], C^2S = 0.12 \times 2$ 32.70 mb
 $[2p_{3/2} \otimes 2^+], C^2S = 0.27, 18.17 \text{ mb}$
 $[1f_{7/2} \otimes 2^+], C^2S = 0.25, 6.22 \text{ mb}$
 $[1f_{7/2} \otimes 4^+], C^2S = 0.72, 22.50 \text{ mb}$
 $E(2_1^+) = 0.80 \text{ MeV}$ 74 mb if $S_n = 100 \text{ keV}$
 $E(4_1^+) = 2.35 \text{ MeV}$

$$\sigma_{incl} = 79(7) \text{ mb}$$



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Two nucleon knockout – direct reaction set





Two-nucleon direct reactions overlaps

$$\Psi_{J_{i}M_{i}}^{(f)}(1,2) \equiv \langle \Phi_{J_{f}M_{f}}(A) | \Psi_{J_{i}M_{i}}(A,1,2) \rangle$$

= $\sum_{I\mu\alpha} C_{\alpha}^{J_{i}J_{f}I}(I\mu J_{f}M_{f}|J_{i}M_{i})[\overline{\phi_{j_{1}}(1) \otimes \phi_{j_{2}}(2)}]_{I\mu}$

$$[\overline{\phi_{j_1}(1) \otimes \phi_{j_2}(2)}]_{I\mu} = -N_{12}\langle 1, 2|[a_{j_1}^{\dagger} \otimes a_{j_2}^{\dagger}]_{I\mu}|0\rangle$$
$$D_{\alpha} = N_{12}/\sqrt{2} = 1/\sqrt{2(1+\delta_{12})}$$

 $F_{IM}(1,2) = \langle 1, 2, \Phi_{c,IM}(A) | \Phi_{A+2} \rangle$ and with $J_i = 0^+$

Two-nucleon amplitudes – TNA

$$F_{IM}(1,2) = \sum_{j_1 j_2} (-)^{I+M} C(j_1 j_2 I) / \hat{I} [\overline{\phi_{j_1 m_1} \otimes \phi_{j_2 m_2}}]_{I-M}$$

Stripping and diffraction-induced pair removal

$$\sigma_{ko} = \frac{1}{2J_i + 1} \sum_{M_i} \int d\vec{b} |S_c|^2 \left\langle \Psi_{J_i M_i} \right| \mathcal{K}_1(1, 2) + \mathcal{K}_2(1, 2) - \mathcal{K}_3(1, 2) \left| \Psi_{J_i M_i} \right\rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{K}_1(1,2) &= (1 - |S_1|^2)(1 + |S_2|^2) \\ \mathcal{K}_2(1,2) &= |S_1|^2(1 - |S_2|^2) + (1 + |S_1|^2)|S_2|^2 \\ \mathcal{K}_3(1,2) &= \sum_{jm} \left[S_1^* \mid \phi_j^m \right) \left(\phi_j^m \mid S_1(1 - |S_2|^2) + (1 - |S_1|^2)S_2^* \mid \phi_j^m \right) \left(\phi_j^m \mid S_2 \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{split} \frac{d\sigma_{str}^{(f)}}{dK} = & \int dk_1 \delta(K - k_1, k_2) \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi_c \int_0^{\infty} db_c b_c |S_c(b_c)|^2 \\ & \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \sum_{I\alpha\alpha'} \frac{C_{\alpha'}^{J_i J_f I} C_{\alpha}^{J_i J_f I} D_{\alpha} D_{\alpha'}}{\hat{I}^2} \\ & \sum_{\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \lambda'_1 \lambda'_2} C_{l_1 \lambda_1} C_{l_2 \lambda_2} C_{l'_1 \lambda'_1} C_{l'_2 \lambda'_2} \int_0^{\infty} ds_1 s_1 \int_0^{\infty} ds_2 s_2 \\ & \left\{ \mathcal{G}_{j_1 j_2 j'_1 j'_2}^I H_{\lambda_1 \lambda'_1} (s_1, \vec{b}_c) \ H_{\lambda_2 \lambda'_2} (s_2, \vec{b}_c) \ R_{l_1 \lambda_1}^{j_1} (s_1, k_1) \\ & R_{l'_1 \lambda'_1}^{j'_1} (s_1, k_1)^* \ R_{l_2 \lambda_2}^{j_2} (s_2, k_2) \ R_{l'_2 \lambda'_2}^{j'_2} (s_2, k_2)^* \\ & \dots + \text{ terms from antisymmetrization} \right\} \end{split}$$

$$R_{l\lambda}^{j}(s,k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz \ u_{jl}((s^{2} + z^{2})^{1/2}) \ P_{l}^{\lambda}(\cos(\theta)) \ \exp(-ikz)$$

$$H_{\lambda\lambda_{i}'}(s_{v},\vec{b}_{c}) = \int_{0}^{2\pi} d\phi_{v} \, \exp(i\phi_{v}(\lambda-\lambda')) \, (1-|S_{v}(|\vec{b}_{c}+\vec{s}_{v}|)|^{2})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{G}_{j_{1}j_{2}j_{1}j_{2}'}^{I} = & \hat{j_{1}}\hat{j_{2}}\hat{j_{1}'}\hat{j_{2}'}\hat{I}^{2} \ (-)^{j_{2}-j_{1}+l_{1}+l_{2}+l_{1}'+l_{2}'-\lambda_{2}-\lambda_{1}'} \\ \times \sum_{kq} (-)^{-k}(l_{2}-\lambda_{2}l_{2}'\lambda_{2}'|kq) \ (l_{1}-\lambda_{1}l_{1}'\lambda_{1}'|k-q) \\ \times W(j_{1}l_{1}j_{1}'l_{1}';sk) \ W(j_{2}l_{2}j_{2}'l_{2}';sk) \ W(j_{2}Ikj_{1}';j_{1}j_{2}') \end{aligned}$$

Target drills a cylindrical volume at projectile surface

12N stripping :
$$\hat{O}(c, 1, 2) = |S_c|^2 (1 - |S_1|^2) (1 - |S_2|^2)$$





(i) 2N removal cross sections will be sensitive to the <u>spatial correlations</u> of pairs of nucleons near the surface

(ii) <u>No spin selection</u> rule (for S=0 versus S=1 pairs) in this 2N removal reaction mechanism

 (iii) Expectation of the sensitivity to <u>correlations</u> can be predicted from 2N overlaps <u>in the sampled volume</u>

(iv) No linear or angular momentum mismatch – mechanism 'sees' ALL hole-like-state configurations



J.A. Tostevin et al., PRC 70 (2004) 064602, PRC 74 064604 (2006)

"Inclusive" two-nucleon removal p// distributions



E.C. Simpson et al., PRL 102 132502 (2009),; PRC 79, 064621(2009)

Angular correlations – and L-transfer sensitivity

After summing over the nucleon spins (to which we are insensitive) the two nucleon joint-position probability is:

$$\rho_{f}(\boldsymbol{r}_{1},\boldsymbol{r}_{2}) = \sum_{LST} \sum_{I\alpha\alpha'} \underbrace{\frac{\boldsymbol{\mathfrak{C}}_{\alpha LS}^{IT} \boldsymbol{\mathfrak{C}}_{\alpha' LS}^{IT} D_{\alpha} D_{\alpha'}}{\hat{L}^{2}} (T\tau T_{f}\tau_{f}|T_{i}\tau_{i})^{2} \boldsymbol{r}_{1}}_{\boldsymbol{\kappa}_{1}} \times \begin{bmatrix} U_{\alpha\alpha'}^{D}(r_{1},r_{2}) \Gamma^{L,D}(\omega) \\ -(-)^{S+T} U_{\alpha\alpha'}^{E}(r_{1},r_{2}) \Gamma^{L,E}(\omega) \end{bmatrix} f \boldsymbol{\rho}_{1}$$

depends only on $L (=\ell_1 + \ell_2)$ of the two nucleons.

Structure calculation tells us strength of the <u>L-content</u> of the 2N overlap via the LS coupled two-nucleon amplitudes:

$$\mathfrak{C}_{\alpha LS}^{IT} = \hat{j}_1 \, \hat{j}_2 \, \hat{L} \, \hat{S} \left\{ \begin{array}{cc} \ell_1 & s & j_1 \\ \ell_2 & s & j_2 \\ L & S & I \end{array} \right\} C_{\alpha}^{IT} \quad \text{predict p// distribution}$$

E.C. Simpson, JAT, PRC, submitted (2010)

Final-state spin-value sensitivity: e.g. ⁵⁴Ni(-2n)



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$\rho_f(\boldsymbol{r}_1, \boldsymbol{r}_2) = \frac{1}{\hat{J}_i^2} \sum_{M_i M_f} \langle \Psi_i^{(F)} \Psi_i^{(F)} \rangle_{sp} \qquad f$ $\mathcal{P}_f(\boldsymbol{s}_1, \boldsymbol{s}_2) = \int dz_1 \int dz_2 \ \rho_f(\boldsymbol{r}_1, \boldsymbol{r}_2)$						r_1	
J_f^π	$[1p_{3/2}]^2$		$[1p_{1/2}, 1p_{3/2}]$		$[1p_{1/2}]^2$	¹² C(-np)→	
1_{1}^{+}	0.69899		0.97868		-0.01067		
1_{2}^{+}	-1.13385		0.22886		0.36314	$^{10}B(1^{+,}I=0)$	
J_f^{π}	σ_{01}	σ_{10}	σ_{11}	σ_{21}	σ_{str}		
1_{1}^{+}	2.41	0.00	0.00	0.06	2.47	σ_{LS} (mb)	
1^{+}_{2}	0.60	0.59	0.00	0.63	1.81		

E.C. Simpson, JAT, PRC, in press (2010)

Two-nucleon correlations



FIG. 4: Impact parameter plane-projected joint position probabilities for the first (left) and second (right) T = 0 ${}^{10}B(1^+)$ states populated via np knockout from ${}^{12}C$.

E.C. Simpson, JAT, PRC, in press (2010)

Two-nucleon correlations



FIG. 3: Normalized residue momentum distributions for the first (solid) and second (dashed) ${}^{10}B(J_f=1^+)$ states populated in np knockout from ${}^{12}C$ at 2100 MeV per nucleon.

E.C. Simpson, JAT, PRC, in press (2010)

Configuration-mixed, sd-shell example: ²⁶Si(-2n)



First final-state-exclusive p//: ²⁸Mg(-2p)



E.C. Simpson et al., PRL 102 132502 (2009)

Summary comments

- 1. At the energies of fragmentation beams (100 MeV per nucleon and greater) reaction calculations are *robust* and can return *quantitative* information.
- Heavier near-dripline systems will, for some time be measured with *inclusive* degrees of freedom.
 Both heavy and light target data are necessary to untangle the structures (plus *specific structure input*)
- 3. Final-state p_{//} distributions after 2N removal can test the 2N correlations predicted by theoretical models
- 4. We can understand/predict that such exclusive residue momentum measurements have the potential to probe calculated wave functions at an increasingly detailed level.