Topics addressed in GT1 (physics at the drip line **S**)

- 1) Shell evolution towards the continuum (respective role of 3body, continuum effects)
- 2) Evolution of pairing towards the drip line / proton neutron forces close to continuum
- 3) Clustering towards the drip line (di-proton, di-neutron, quasi-molecular states)
- 4) Study of in-medium clustering
- 5) Emergence of halo & Borromean states and related properties
- 6) Broken mirror symmetries
- 7) Quenching of SF towards drip line or between systems involving haloes & cluster nuclei
- 8) Giant and pigmy modes in exotic nuclei
- 9) Synergy with other quantum systems.

First meeting organized at IPN Orsay in about 2 days in different session (≈ 32 participants each)

22 Talks presented + about 3 hours of discussion

A lot of enthusiasm, many ideas presented !

In general very well perceived

Assuming our world was more neutron-rich



Back to stability: magic numbers



A universal mechanism



A universal mechanism



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Shell evolution: the rôle of the proximity to the continuum



Change of paradigm far from stability

Increase of N=28 gap by 3 MeV with 3N forces



(F. Nowacki)

Shell evolution in the O chain: 3N forces viz continuum ?



Curvature of BE in O chain accounted for by effective 2-body or 'realistic' 3-body forces.

But the proximity of the continuum is expected to produce non-linear effects as well.

-> These two contributions have to be calculated and their effect should be disentangled

Evolution of nuclear pairing close and beyond the drip line

Study of 1n and 2n decays of unbound B nuclei at RIKEN allows rather accurate determinations of S_n values beyond the drip line

-> reduced odd-even effects as compared to SM calculations

Anti-pairing effect due to pn interaction (*M. Ploszajczak*) or reduced pairing strength ? Gapless superconductivity?

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Study C, N, O chains (J. Gibelin work in progress)



RIKEN / SAMURAI

S. Leblond et al. Accepted in PRL (2018)



Strong neutron pairing correlations in (core +4n) nuclei



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Analogy with photoemission of Cooper pairs? (R. Wehlitz PRL 109 (2012))

Evolution of effective proton-neutron interaction at the drip line



Study of pn interaction in a system with very asymmetric p and n binding energies

Three experiments needed to determine the energies of the J=2,3,4⁺ states in ²⁶F

Evolution of effective proton-neutron interaction at the drip line



Evolution of effective proton-neutron interaction at the drip line



Reduced monopole and residual effective interactions as compared to theories

Reduction of spatial overlap between p and n (as for ¹⁶F)?



Would the (ph) coupling scheme work for ²⁸F? Is ²⁸F out of the island of inversion ?

-> A. Revel - RIKEN

What is the role of the imaginary part of the pn interaction ? -> M. Ploszajczak

Nuclear clustering – the Hoyle state



The Hoyle state has been characterized by its inelastic form factor and decay pattern.

It decays by < 0.043 % directly (*R. Smith PRL 119 (2017), Dell'Aquila PRL 119 (2017)*) In medium, it has be found to decay by 17% ! (*Raduta PLB 705 (2011)*)



This in-medium effect needs to be confirmed (D. Gruyer, G. Verde...) Decay mode and Γ width may be modified by the medium in which it is formed? Other cases to be studied?

Does the Ikeda conjecture apply to di- or tetra- nucleon configurations?



(J. Okolowicz, et al. Prog. Th. Phys. Supp. 196 (2012))

Ikeda conjecture :

Existence of narrow resonances (cluster states) at the corresponding energy thresholds

Search for 2p cluster configurations around S_{2p} threshold

(J. Okolowicz, et al. Prog. Th. Phys. Supp. 196 (2012))



Search for 2p cluster configurations around S_{2p} threshold



2p decay radioactivity

The 2p radioactivity is a rare process.

It is found when the 1p daughter is unbound and when the 2p are trapped inside a barrier

The lifetime of the nucleus should be long enough to call it 'radioactivity'.

Understanding the 2p radioactivity process requires proper modeling of the nuclear structure and the dynamics



2p decay radioactivity





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Search for 2n cluster configurations around S_{2n} threshold

(adapted from J. Okolowicz, et al. Prog. Th. Phys. Supp. 196 (2012))



RIKEN

Search for 2n cluster configurations around S_{2n} threshold





Search for 2n and 4n cluster configurations around S_{2n} and S_{4n} thresholds



Syst. appearence of narrow states close to S_{2n}? In which condition ? -> other cases, e.g. ¹⁷B

Search for enhanced E1 γ-strength

2n decay correlation pattern with Dalitz plots.



What is the nature of these states?

Does 2n radioactivity exist ? -> high-L orbits -> ³¹F good candidate ? (S. Grévy)



Are there narrow resonances around $S_{4n} \rightarrow 4n$ clustering ? How would 4n correlations contribute to nuclear superfluidity ? (O.S, P. Ujic)

Evolution of nuclear a clustering in neutron-rich nuclei



In-medium cluster formation and resonance decay spectroscopy



Determine the Y_{coinc} and $1+R(q_{rel})$ in different reactions with FAZIA



Modification of the widths of the resonances by the medium?



Some preliminary N α -X correlations



Study of broken mirror symmetries



Change of reduced transition probabilities between mirror nuclei (e.g. B(E2))? How does the 2p decay proceeds?

Change from spherical to deformed structures between mirror nuclei? Possible continuation of experimental program GANIL Accepted experiments (A. Gillibet, A. Corsi) RIKEN

Search for exceptional points in the continuum

Consequences of these exceptional points on the decay pattern of neighboring states? (*M. Ploszajczak*)









In ⁸Be two 2⁺ states lie at very close energy and can attract a large fraction of the γ strength and influence significantly the decay of the 1⁺ state to the 0⁺ ground state.

2⁺ _____ 0⁺ _____ ⁸Be





PRL 102, 2009: Wieland et al.

- Ni68@600 MeV/nucl, Coulex on Au
- EWSR = 5.0(15)%;
- *E_{PDR}* = 11.0(5) MeV;
- B(E1)=1.2 e2fm2;

PRL 111, 2013: Rossi et al.

- Ni68@502.7 MeV/u, Coulex on Pb
- EWSR = 2.8(5)%;
- $E_{PDR} = 9.55(17) \text{ MeV};$

PLB782, 2018: Martorana

- Ni68@30 MeV/nucl on Carbon target
- EWSR = 9(2) %;
- *E_{PDR}* ~10 MeV;
- σ_{PDR} = 0.32 mb with 18% stat error M_{H}

Pigmy dipole resonnance, probe dependant ? GANIL Experiment (E611)



Collective mode populated through beta decay Few experimental hints available





- High-energy γ transition from beta-decay observed
- Hints of beta-decay feeding pygmy mode





Propose to use beta-decay to populate pygmy resonances in exotic nuclei (In -> Sn)

A. Gottardo et al., PLB772 (2017) M. Madurga et al., PRL117 (2016)



Probing the structure of Borromean halo nuclei





Probing the structure of Borromean halo nuclei

QFS on Hydrogen target at high momentum transfer (minimize FSI)





Correlation weaker than prev. experiments *A.Corsi et al, in preparation*







A. Obertelli, ERC CoG 2016, TUD



Probing the size of neutron-rich nuclei

Mass + Size: basic understanding of an object

- (e,e): new machine for RI-electron collisions, yet challenging for low-Z nuclei
- Neutron-rich RI beams + (p,p) scattering = ρ_m
- If (e,e) and (p,p) = ρ_p and ρ_m then ρ_n

Model depend: NEED microscopic optical model potential analysis to extract nuclear matter densities

Complete parametrization of OMP using various reaction channel

neutrons

15.4 A.MeV E525S MUST2 data PLB 718, 441 (2012)



Exotic decay of Borromean systems: the ¹⁹B case



(n,p,d,t, α ...)Spectroscopic factors

Natural orbital feeling... more complicated debate



- Inconsistency between knockout and any other reaction mechanism more or less understood
- Small slope along N/Z



S. Kawase et al., PTEP2018, 021D01 (2018)

SUMMARY - PERSPECTIVES

French community has a strong visibility and leadership in many experimental programs (high impact in publications, many spokespersons, training several PhD students)

Experiments carried out at different facilities, e.g. GANIL/LISE, RIKEN/SAMURAI and GSI/R3B

Make use of state-of-the-art instrumentations, e.g. MUST2, ACTAR-TPC, neutron walls...

Mostly physics group of modest size who know each other's work and often collaborate

-> GDR can serve to strengthen links between these groups & encourage newcomers

Physics of the continuum at the interface of nuclear structure, nuclear reaction, and physics of open quantum systems, with many synergies with other disciplines

-> It is worth to exploit this synergy e.g. communicate more, meetings / theory in common?

A few theoreticians work in good and close connection with experimentalists Some pioneers of the field are close to retirement Clear lack of manpower and absence of long-term visibility

-> The GDR can express needs & recommendations

-> The GDR can encourage new collaborative projects between theory and experiments

-> 1-day meetings with limited participants to exchange ideas on given topics

-> Benefit from mutual expertise in a new field, emergence of new ideas