Di-neutron correlation and BCS-BEC crossover in the structure and decay of light neutron-rich nuclei



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## Introduction: neutron-rich nuclei



# light neutron-rich nuclei $\rightarrow$ three-body structure



 ${}^{11}\text{Li} = {}^{9}\text{Li} + n + n$ 

 $\rightarrow$  large radius

#### Borromean nuclei



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## Di-neutron correlation and BCS-BEC crossover



large asymmetry in density distribution = **di-neutron correlation** 

cf. Coulomb hole in He atom (He nucleus  $+ e^- + e^-$ )

e







K.H. et al., PRL99 ('07) 022506

M. Matsuo, PRC73('06)044309

## Two-neutron decay of <sup>26</sup>O

#### Expt. : ${}^{27}F(201 \text{ MeV/u}) + {}^{9}Be \rightarrow {}^{26}O \rightarrow {}^{24}O + n + n$



Y. Kondo et al., PRL116('16)102503

 $\rightarrow$  E<sub>decay</sub> = 18 +/- 3 +/- 4 keV

K.H. and H. Sagawa, 3-body model analysis for <sup>26</sup>O decay - PRC89 ('14) 014331 - PRC93('16)034330 Expt. :  ${}^{27}F(201 \text{ MeV/u}) + {}^{9}Be \rightarrow {}^{26}O \rightarrow {}^{24}O + n + n$  $\frac{dP}{dE} = \int dE' |\langle \Psi_{E'} | \Phi_{\text{ref}} \rangle|^2 \,\delta(E - E') = \frac{1}{\pi} \Im \langle \Phi_{\text{ref}} | \frac{1}{H - E - i\eta}$  $|\Phi_{ref}\rangle$ continuum dynamics, FSI 80 with nn interaction 60



## $2^+$ state in ${}^{26}O$

a prominent second peak at  $E = 1.28 + 0.11_{-0.08}$  MeV



Y. Kondo et al., PRL116('16)102503

#### three-body model calculation:





K.H. and H. Sagawa, PRC90('14)027303; PRC93('16)034330.



### Angular correlations of two emitted neutrons

 $P(\theta) \sim |\langle k_1 k_2 | \Psi_{\text{3bd}}(E) \rangle|^2$ 

K.H. and H. Sagawa, PRC89 ('14) 014331; PRC93 ('16) 034330



**correlation** → **enhancement of back-to-back emissions** 

#### Two-particle density in the bound state approximation



 $(d_{3/2})^2$ : 66.1%  $(f_{7/2})^2$ : 18.3%  $(p_{3/2})^2$ : 10.5%  $(s_{1/2})^2$ : 0.59% rms radius = 3.39 +/- 0.11 fm

dineutron correlation

correlation

enhancement of large
opening angles

# Summary

Three-body model for light neutron-rich nuclei

> Borromean nuclei

- $\checkmark$  di-neutron correlation
- ✓ similarity to BCS-BEC crossover phenomenon
- ➤ 2n emission decay of <sup>26</sup>O
  - ✓ Decay energy spectrum: strong low-energy peak
  - ✓ 2<sup>+</sup> energy
  - ✓ Angular distributions: enhanced back-to-back emission

→ dineutron correlation





> A challenge: extension to five-body model cf.  $^{28}O \rightarrow NSMAT$