Momentum-space structure of dineutron in ¹¹Li and ²²C

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Structure of dineutron and the probe

Dineutron

- Compact S = 0 pair of two neutrons
- Enhanced in low-density medium as neutron halo
 [For recent review, H. Sagawa and K. Hagino, Eur. Phys. J. A51, 102 (2015)]

Question of long standing

- How can we probe the 2n density $\rho_2(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2)$?
- Not only $|\boldsymbol{r}_1| = |\boldsymbol{r}_2|$, but also $|\boldsymbol{r}_1| \neq |\boldsymbol{r}_2|$

Two-neutron density (cal)

K.Hagino, H.Sagawa, PRC 72, 044321 (2005)



Mean correlation angle $\langle \theta_{nf} \rangle$ in ¹¹Li (exp)

Numerous studies for Borromean nuclei such as ¹¹Li

E1 strength in ¹¹Li (exp)



Three-body model in momentum space

Recoil term

Three-body Hamiltonian (momentum space)

$$H = h_{\text{core}-n}(1) + h_{\text{core}-n}(2) + V_{nn} + \frac{h^2}{A_c m} \mathbf{k}_1 \cdot \mathbf{k}_2$$

Valence n-n

• Diagonalized by using single-particle WF $\varphi_{lj}(k)$

Single-particle Schrödinger eq. (Integral eq.)

$$h_{\text{core}-n} \varphi_{lj}(k) = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2\mu} \varphi_{lj}(k) + V_{\text{core}-n}[\varphi_{lj}] = \varepsilon_{lj} \varphi_{lj}(k)$$

- k-space rep. \rightarrow Suitable for weakly-bound nuclei
- Woods-Saxon potential for $V_{\text{core}-n}$

| V _{core-n} | One-particle resonance | s-wave scattering length | | |
|--------------------------|--|-----------------------------|--|--|
| ¹¹ Li [1] | $E_R^{(exp)}(\mathbf{p_{1/2}}) = 0.54 \text{ MeV} [2]$ | $a_0 = -5.6 \text{ fm}$ | | |
| ²² C (set C1) | $E_R(\mathbf{d}_{3/2}) = 0.9 \text{ MeV } [3,4]$ | a = -2.9 fm [6] | | |
| ²² C (set C2) | $E_R(d_{5/2}) = 1.5 \text{ MeV [5]}$ | $u_0 = -2.8 \text{ Im} [6]$ | | |



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V_{nn} : Separable-type, finite-range *n*-*n* interaction



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Ground-state properties

| | | One-particle resonance (MeV) | 2n separation energy S_{2n} (MeV) | Occupation prob. $(s_{1/2})^2$ (%) | Matter radius R_m (fm) | Core-2n distance \bar{r}_{c-2n} (fm) | n-n distance $ar{r}_{nn}$ (fm) |
|------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| ¹¹ Li | Cal. | p _{1/2} : 0.54 | 0.369 [2] | 27.1 | 3.20 | 5.00 | 6.78 |
| | Exp. | [1] | | 35±4 [3] | 3.12(16) [4] | 5.01(32) [5] | 6.6±1.4 [6] |
| ²² C | Cal.(set C1) | d _{3/2} : 0.9 | 0.111 | 28.1 | 3.39 | 5.08 | 7.53 |
| | Cal.(set C2) | d _{5/2} : 1.5 | 0.202 | 32.9 | 3.41 | 5.20 | 7.55 |
| | Exp. | | <0.32 [7] | - | 3.44±0.08 [8] | - | - |
| | | Input for V _c | ore-n | Input for V_{nn} | n | | |



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Two-neutron density in ¹¹Li



Mean correlation/opening angle



Different role between n_1 and n_2



Surface effect on n_2



Mean opening angle in ¹¹Li and ²²C



Summary

Topics: Momentum-space structure of dineutron in ¹¹Li and ²²C

 $heta_{nn}$

 $|\mathbf{k}_1| = k_n$

"knockout"

1. Development of calculation

- Three-body model in momentum space
- Separable-type, finite-range *n*-*n* interaction
- 2. Discussion about dineutron

 $\rho_2(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2)$

• Mean opening angle $\langle \theta_{nn} \rangle$ as a function of $|\mathbf{k}_1| = k_n$

- Cutoff $|\mathbf{k}_2| < k_{\mathrm{LMAX}}$ for similarity to experimental $\langle heta_{nf}
 angle$
- *k*_{LMAX} = local maximum of |**k**₂| (Relative mom. *k*_{rel})
 Relevant not only |**k**₁| = |**k**₂|, but also |**k**₁| ≠ |**k**₂|
- $\langle \theta_{nf} \rangle \sim \langle \theta_{nn} \rangle$ can be a good probe of $\rho_2(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2)$

Can distinguish between dineutron in ¹¹Li and ²²C

