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OPTICAL POTENTIALS FOR THE ELASTIC SCATTERING OF ⁶Li IONS

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Abstract: Optical potentials for the scattering of ⁶Li ions from a variety of nuclei are calculated using the Watanabe superposition model and an α +d cluster model wave function for ⁶Li. Good fits to elastic scattering data for 20 MeV ⁶Li ions are obtained when the imaginary wells are modified to account for absorption modes not included in the superposition model calculations. The normalization constant D_0 for direct (d, ⁶Li), (α , ⁶Li), (⁶Li, d) and (⁶Li, α) reactions is also calculated. The result is $D_0 = -72$ MeV \cdot fm³.







3.1. THE CLUSTER-MODEL WAVE FUNCTION

 $V_{6_{\mathrm{Li}}}(\mathbf{r}) = \int \{V_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}-\frac{1}{3}\mathbf{R})+V_{\mathrm{d}}(\mathbf{r}+\frac{2}{3}\mathbf{R})\}|\psi(\mathbf{R})|^{2}\,\mathrm{d}\mathbf{R},$

The model of ⁶Li used for these calculations has been discussed in considerable detail elsewhere 16, 17, and only a brief description will be presented here. The model may be summarized as follows:

(i) the ⁶Li ground state consists of an α -particle and a deuteron in a relative ³S₁ state;

(ii) the α -particle and deuteron are unpolarized and are in their ground states;

(iii) the α -particle and deuteron interact through a potential V(R) where R is the separation of their c.m.;

(iv) the potential V(R) is a real, static, local potential which includes the Coulomb interaction, and

(v) the potential V(R) has a repulsive core to allow for the effects of the exclusion principle.

The parameters of this model were adjusted to fit the most relevant facts about the ⁶Li ground state. The model was required to predict correctly:

(a) the binding energy (1.47 MeV) of ⁶Li with respect to break-up into $\alpha + d$;

(b) the low-energy ${}^{3}S_{1} \alpha$ -d scattering phase shifts;

(c) the rms charge radius and the charge form factor for the ⁶Li ground state (as determined from electron scattering).





FIG. 2. ${}^{16}\text{O}+{}^{28}\text{Si}$ elastic scattering angular distribution at $E_L = 215.2$ MeV (taken from Ref. 1). The solid curve is a fit with a shallow WS potential, E18, and the dashed curve is a prediction using the deeper potential S75 of Table II. Although the deep potential predicts a substantial enhancement of the back angle cross sections due to the existence of nuclear rainbow scattering, the data show no such effect.





 $^{{}^{6}\}text{Li} + {}^{28}\text{Si}$



FIG. 3. ${}^{9}\text{Be}+{}^{28}\text{Si}$ elastic scattering angular distributions at E_L =13, 121.0, and 201.6 MeV. The solid curve is a fit to all three energies using potential G38. Values of χ^2/N for potential G38 are 13 MeV, 1.2; 121.0 MeV, 10.2; 201.6 MeV, 1.8.



 ${}^{9}\text{Be} + {}^{28}\text{Si}$

 $^{12}C + ^{28}Si$



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Distinguishing between Stars and Galaxies Composed of Matter and Antimatter Using Photon Helicity Detection

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The positrons produced in fusion processes in matter stars will have predominantly a "right" helicity due to the nonconversation of parity in weak interactions. This helicity is transferred to bremsstahlung and forward in-flight annilation radiation, which will be right-circularly polarized. In antimatter stars, CP symmetry will make the equivalent radiation left-circularly polarized. The helicity of such radiation can be used to distinguish between astronomical objects composed of matter and antimatter.



Transition between Light- and Heavy-Ion Elastic Scattering

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We have measured the elastic scattering from ²⁸Si of 135,1-MeV ⁶Li and 186-MeV ¹²C ions. The shapes of the angular distributions and the resultant optical-model analyses indicate that ⁶Li scattering is quite similar to that of light ions, while ¹²C ions behave like heavier ions. Thus there appears to be a pronounced and quite rapid transition of scattering characteristics with projectile mass.

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Dominance of strong absorption in ${}^{9}\text{Be} + {}^{28}\text{Si}$ elastic scattering

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The elastic scattering of ${}^{9}\text{Be} + {}^{28}\text{Si}$ has been measured at laboratory energies of 121.0 and 201.6 MeV. These data have been combined with existing lower energy ${}^{9}\text{Be} + {}^{28}\text{Si}$ data in order to carry out a global optical model analysis. Calculations employing Woods-Saxon potentials yield good fits to the data without requiring explicitly energy-dependent parameters. In contrast, using a proximity form for the real potential requires an explicitly energy-dependent Woods-Saxon imaginary potential in order to achieve comparable quality fits. Notch perturbation calculations have been utilized to locate the radial region of the potential to which the scattering is sensitive. At all energies the imaginary potential is stronger than the real potential at the radius of maximum sensitivity. This dominance of the absorptive potential greatly limits the amount of information which can be gained about the real potential. Comparison of the "Be + ${}^{28}\text{Si}$ system with other light heavy ion systems such as ${}^{6}\text{Li} + {}^{28}\text{Si}$, ${}^{12}\text{C} + {}^{28}\text{Si}$, and ${}^{16}\text{O} + {}^{28}\text{Si}$ suggests that the weak binding of "Be may be responsible for the strong absorption in this case.



Short-Range Correlations

"The structure of correlated many-body systems, particularly at distance scales small compared to the radius of the constituent nucleons, presents a formidable challenge to both experiment and theory"

(Nuclear Science: A Long Range Plan, The DOE/NSF Nuclear Science Advisory Committee, Feb. 1996 [1].) **The N-N Interaction and the Shell Model**

The N-N interaction is attractive at a typical distance of 2 fm, but highly repulsive at distances < 0.5 fm.



The attractive part of this interaction between all of the pairs of nucleons in a nucleus, in combination with the Pauli principle, produces a mean field in which the neutrons and protons move like **independent particles** in well-defined quantum states.

Maria Mayer and J.H.D. Jensen received the Nobel Prize in 1963 for developing the shell model.



Simple, schematic, shell-model picture of ¹⁶O (8n,8p)





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¹⁶O(p,2p) at 460 MeV from the Enrico Fermi Institute University of Chicago: Nucl. Phys. **79**, 321 (1966).



H. TYRÉN et al.



Simple, schematic, shell-model picture of ¹⁶O (8n,8p)







- 1) Improvements in electron accelerators.
- 2) The ability to do "exact" reaction calculations because the e-p interaction is electromagnetic.

1988: NIKHEF





Something is *MISSING*!

Spectroscopic factors for (e,e'p) reactions show only 60-70% of the expected single-particle strength.



L. Lapikas, Nucl. Phys. A553, 297c (1993)

There must be more!





The short-range repulsion leads to phenomena such as the saturation of central nuclear densities. But it also must manifest itself in the wave functions of the nucleons in the nucleus. Because it is short range, high-momentum components should be affected. Typically we might expect N-N interactions at short range to produce pairs of nucleons with large, roughly equal, and opposite momenta.



Experiment E850

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Nuclear Fermi Momenta from Quasielastic Electron Scattering

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 $k_F = 221 \text{ MeV/c}$



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Figure 22: $\cos\gamma$ vs. p_n for ${}^{12}C(p,2p+n)$ events. The vertical line at 0.22 GeV/c corresponds to k_F , the Fermi momentum for ${}^{12}C$.



- 1. The s⁻¹⁰ dependence of p-p elastic scattering, which preferentially selects high momentum nuclear protons.
- 2. The improved resolution from using light cone variables.
- 3. The small deBroglie wavelength of the incident protons:

 $\mathbb{M} = h/p = hc/pc = 2\mathbb{M} \mathbb{M} 0.197 \text{ GeV-fm/(6 Gev)}$

🕅 0.2 fm.

This meant that our probe could interact with a single member of a correlated pair!



The Relative and c.m. Motion of Correlated n-p Pairs:



Figure 23: Plots of (a) p_z^{cm} and (b) p_z^{rel} for correlated np pairs in ¹²C, for ¹²C(p,2p+n) events. Each event has been "s-weighted".



The Correlated Fraction of (p,2p) Events:

For the 6 GeV 1998 data set we estimated the fraction of (p,2p) events with $p_f > 0.22 \text{ GeV/c}$, which have a correlated backwards neutrons with $p_n > 0.22 \text{ GeV/c}$.

$$F = \frac{corrected \ \# \ of \ (p, 2p+n) \ events}{\# \ of \ (p, 2p) \ events} = \frac{A}{B}$$

The quantity A was obtained from the sample of all 18 (p,2p+n) events with $p_n \ge k_F = 0.22$ GeV/c, where a correction for flux attenuation and detection efficiency was applied event-by-event, and then corrected for the solid-angle coverage:

$$A = \frac{2\pi}{\Delta\Omega} \sum_{i=1}^{18} \frac{1}{\epsilon_i} \cdot \frac{1}{t_i} = 1090.$$

The average value of $(1/e_i t_i)$ was 8.2 ± 0.82 and $2\pi/\Delta\Omega = 7.42$. We can then calculate

$$F = \frac{A}{B} = \frac{1090}{2205} = 0.49 \pm 0.13.$$

Recent Development

"Evidence for the Strong Dominance of Proton-Neutron Correlations in Nuclei"

by

E. Piasetzky, M Sargsian, L. Frankfurt, M Strikman and J. W. Watson Phys. Rev. Lett., 20 October 2006

✤Analysis of the EVA Data

✤Assumes 100% SRC above 275 MeV/c

Includes the motion of the pair

 Includes absorption of entering and exiting nucleons in the nuclear medium

Conclusion: 92 ± 18% of high-momentum protons have correlated neutrons.



A. A. Tang et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. <u>90</u>, 042301 (2003)





Electron Scattering at Fixed Q²



CLAS A(e,e') Data

K. Sh. Egiyan et al., Phys. Rev. C 68 (2003) 014313.

Originally done with SLAC data by D.B. Day et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 59 (1987) 427.

$$x = \frac{Q^2}{2M\omega} > 1.5 \text{ and } Q^2 > 1.4 [\text{GeV/c}]^2$$

then
$$r(\text{A},3\text{He}) = a2n(\text{A})/a2n(3\text{He})$$

The observed *scaling* means that the electrons probe the high-momentum nucleons in the 2N-SRC phase, and the scaling factors determine the pernucleon probability of the 2N-SRC phase in nuclei with A>3 relative to 3He





Estimate of ¹²C Two and Three Nucleon SRC

K. Sh. Egiyan et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 96 (2006) 082501.

- K. Egiyan *et al.* related the known correlations in deuterium and previous r(³He,D) results to find:
- ¹²C 20% two nucleon SRC
- ¹²C <1% three nucleon SRC





Fortuitous Collaborations: UW, September 2009

E01-105: A customized (e,e'pN) Measurement

Incident electron

To study nucleon pairs at close proximity and their contributions to the large momentum tail of nucleons in nuclei.

A pair with "large" relative momentum between the nucleons and small center of mass momentum Scattered electron

Knocked-out proton

- high Q2 to minimize MEC
- x>1 to suppress isobar contributions
- anti-parallel kinematics to suppress FSI



Fortuitous Collaborations: UW, September 2009

Correlated partner

proton or neutron





New Equipment for the Experimental Setup





- New Scattering Chamber
- New BigBite Hadron Spectrometer (100 msr)
- New Low Energy Neutron Detector

The neutron detector array consisted of 88 bars of plastic scintillator, with a PMT on each end of each bar, for "mean timing."

These were gathered from around the world.









Fortuitous Collaborations: UW, September 2009



(e,e'p) & (e,e'pp) Data





Strong back-to-back correlation!

R. Shneor et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 99 (2007) 072501.

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CM motion of the pair:





(p,2pn) experiment at BNL : σ_{CM} =0.143±0.017 GeV/c

Theoretical prediction (Ciofi and Simula) : σ_{CM} =0.139 GeV/c

Short-Range Correlation Pair Factions

R. Subedi et al., Science 320 (2008) 1476).





The Results from E01-015 can be found in:

- 1) R. Shneor, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 99, 072501 (2007).
- 2) R. Subedi, et al., SCIENCE 320, 1476 (2008).

The results of the BNL (p,2p+n) experiment are fully consistent with the results of the JLab (e,e'p+N) experiment:

- Different Laboratories
- Different probes
- Different Graduate Students
- 🖛 Different millenia
- Same Results!
- **We are observing nuclear structure**



Importance of Tensor Correlations



- M. Sargsian et al., Phys. Rev. C (2005) 044615.
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A new approved experiment at Jlab E07-006

Measurement of the ⁴He(e,e'pp) and ⁴He(e,e'pn) reactions over the ⁴He(e,e'p) missing momentum range from 400 to 875 MeV/c.



Summary of Results

- Almost all nucleons above the Fermi sea are part of 2N-SRCs.
- These SRC pairs move inside the nucleus with c.m. motion of σ ~140 MeV/c.
- The 2N-SRC consists of n-p pairs (90%)
 p-p pairs(5%)
 n-n pairs(5%).
- A new experiment has been approved at Jlab, continuing this work with the target ⁴He.





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