Low-energy ¹¹Li + p and ¹¹Li + d scattering in a multicluster model

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1. Introduction

Two recent experimental papers on ¹¹Li+p and ¹¹Li+d (elastic and inelastic scattering)

- ¹¹Li+p: J. Tanaka et al., Phys. Lett. B 774 (2017) 268 E_{lab} =66 MeV, E_{cm} =5.5 MeV \rightarrow dipole resonance in ¹¹Li at E_x =0.80 MeV (Γ =1.1 MeV)
- ¹¹Li+d: R. Kanungo et al., PRL 114, 192502 (2015)
 E_{lab}=55.3 MeV, E_{cm}=8.51 MeV
 → dipole resonance in ¹¹Li at E_x=1.03 MeV (Γ=0.5 MeV), isoscalar character

E1 operator Long wavelength approximation: $M_{\mu}^{E1} = \sum_{i} \left(\frac{1}{2} - t_{iz}\right) (\mathbf{r}_{i} - \mathbf{R}_{cm})_{\mu}$ Isoscalar=0 Isovector

Beyond the long wavelength approximation:

$$M_{\mu}^{E1} = \sum_{i} \left(\frac{1}{2} - t_{iz} \right) \mathbf{r}'_{i\mu} \left(1 - \frac{1}{10} \left(k_{\gamma} r'_{i} \right)^{2} + \cdots \right) + \cdots$$

→ isoscalar transitions are possible

1. Introduction

Present work

• ¹¹Li=⁹Li+n+n (hyperspherical coordinates): E. C. Pinilla, P. Descouvemont, and D. Baye, Phys. Rev. C 85, 054610 (2012).



→ E1 distribution

• ¹¹Li+p, ¹¹Li+d with the CDCC method





¹¹Li+p: 4-body CDCC (3+1) (see also T. Matsumoto et al., PTEP 2019, 126)

¹¹Li+d: 5-body CDCC (3+2)

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- Details in E. C. Pinilla et al., Phys. Rev. C 85, 054610 (2012).
- V_{nn}=Minnesota potential
- V_{9Li+n}=Woods-Saxon fitted on the scattering length
- Spin of the ⁹Li core is neglected
- Forbidden states for $s_{1/2}$ and $p_{3/2} \rightarrow$ removed by a supersymmetric transformation

J=0+

- Bound state at E_B=-0.378 MeV
- $\sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle}=3.12 \text{ fm, exp}=3.16\pm0.11 \text{ fm}$

J=1⁻: ⁹Li+n+n phase shifts (3-body phase shifts)





→ Dipole resonance near E_{cm} =0.6 MeV, E_x =1.0 MeV

2. Structure of ¹¹Li

E1 transitions

$$B(E1, J_i \to J_f) = \frac{2J_f + 1}{2J_i + 1} | < \Psi^{J_f} || M^{E1} || \Psi^{J_i} > |^2$$

2 options for M_{μ}^{E1} : LWA \rightarrow isoscalar=0 beyond the LWA \rightarrow isoscalar $\neq 0$



- ➔ Peak near E_{cm}=0.6 MeV Consistent with the phase shifts
- → Weak influence of high-order terms in M_{μ}^{E1} Term $\sim \frac{1}{10} (k_{\gamma}r)^2$ with $k_{\gamma} = (E_{cm} + 0.4)/\hbar c$ Even if r² is large the correction is quite small
- ➔ No isoscalar character for the transition

Overview of CDCC : <u>Continuum Discretized Coupled Channel method</u>

- Introduced in the 70's to deal with deuteron scattering
 Low binding energy of the deuteron → breakup is important
 - G. Rawitscher, Phys. Rev. C 9, 2210 (1974)
 - N. Austern et al., Phys. Rep. 154 (1987) 126
- Two-body projectile, three-body problem

 $H = H_0(\boldsymbol{r}) - \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \Delta_{\boldsymbol{R}} + V_{t1}(\boldsymbol{R}, \boldsymbol{r}) + V_{t2}(\boldsymbol{R}, \boldsymbol{r})$



- $H_0(\mathbf{r})$ = Hamiltonian associated with the projectile
- V_{t1} , V_{t2} = optical potentials between the target and the fragments (high energies: above the resonance region)

Projectile breakup described by approximate (discrete) states: $H_0 \Phi_n^{lm}(\mathbf{r}) = E_n^l \Phi_n^{lm}(\mathbf{r})$ ٠



- CDCC well adapted to exotic nuclei (low binding energy) ٠ Example: ¹¹Be=¹⁰Be+n (0.5 MeV)
- Low BU energy is not necessary! But BU effects are expected to be more important ٠

Extensions: same principle : discretzation of the continuum

• 3-body projectiles: ⁶He, ¹¹Li, ⁹Be



- T. Matsumoto et al., PRC70 (2004) 061601
- M. Rodriguez-Gallardo et al., PRC77 (2008) 064609

• A-body projectiles: ⁷Li, ⁶He, ⁸Li



Based on nucleon-target potentials \rightarrow no parameter

- Y. Sakuragi et al., PTP Supp. 89 (1986) 136
- P.D., M. Hussein, PRL 111 (2013) 082701

• 2-body projectile + 2-body target: ¹¹Be+d, ⁷Li+d



Pseudostates in the projectile and in the target \rightarrow many channels

- P. D., Phys. Lett. B 772 (2017) 1
- P. D., Phys. Rev. C 97 (2018) 064607

• CDCC equations for ¹¹Li+p and ¹¹Li+d



Total hamiltonian: $H = H_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + H_2(\mathbf{r}) + T_R + \sum_{ij} U_{ij}(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{r})$

With H_i =internal hamiltonian of nucleus i T_R =relative kinetic energy $U_{ij}(s)$ =optical potential between fragments i and j

Then: standard CDCC procedure

Standard CDCC procedure:

1. Step 1: solve $H_1 \Phi_{1k}^{jm} = E_{1k}^j \Phi_{1k}^{jm}$ for ¹¹Li (hyperspherical coordinates) $H_2 \Phi_{2k}^{jm} = E_{2k}^j \Phi_{2k}^{jm}$ for d

With Φ_{1k}^{jm} expanded on a basis (Lagrange functions: matrix elements are simple)

→ negative energies = physical states

positive energies = pseudostates=(discrete) approximations of the continuum in 1 and 2

2. Step 2:

Define channel functions:
$$\varphi_c(x, y, r, \Omega_R) = \left[\left[\Phi_{1k_1}^{j_1}(x, y) \otimes \Phi_{2k_2}^{j_2}(r) \right]^I \otimes Y_L(\Omega_R) \right]^{JM}$$

with
 $I = \text{channel spin}$

L =angular momentum between d and ¹¹Li

index $c = (j_1, k_1, j_2, k_2, I, L)$

and expand the total wave function as $\Psi^{JM\pi} = \sum_{c} u_{c}^{J\pi}(R) \varphi_{c}(x, y, r, \Omega_{R})$

 $u_c^{J\pi}(R)$ to be determined

3. Step 3

Compute matrix elements of the potential $\sum_{ij} U_{ij}(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{r})$

$$V_{cc'}^{J}(R) = \langle \varphi_c \mid \sum_{ij} U_{ij}(\boldsymbol{R}, \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}, \boldsymbol{r}) \mid \varphi_{c'} \rangle$$

= integrals over 11 coordinates (8 angles + 3 radii): 5 analytical + 6 numerical integrals (use of the Raynal-Revai coefficients)

4. Step 4: Solve the coupled-channel system

$$\left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu}\left(\frac{d^2}{dR^2} - \frac{L(L+1)}{R^2}\right) + E_c - E\right]u_c^{J\pi}(R) + \sum_{c'}V_{cc'}^{J\pi}(R)u_{c'}^{J\pi}(R) = 0$$

- Standard coupled-channel system (general form common to most scattering theories)
- At large distances (only Coulomb) : $u_c^{J\pi}(R) \rightarrow I_c(R)\delta_{c\omega} O_c(R)U_{c\omega}^{J\pi}$ (ω =entrance channel) $U_{c\omega}^{J\pi}$ = scattering matrix: provides the cross sections (elastic, inelastic, breakup, etc.)
- Solved with the R-matrix method (space divided in an internal and an external regions)
- The system must be solved for each $J\pi$
- Problems:
 - Many channels c (up to 9000 for ¹¹Li+d)
 - \circ Many $J\pi$ values (depends on energy)
 - Long range of the potentials $V_{cc'}^{J\pi}(R)$ (due to Coulomb)
 - → Long calculations + many tests

5. Step 5

Determing the cross sections from the scattering matrices

The R-matrix method

4. The R-matrix method

Scattering matrix determined from the R-matrix theory

R-matrix theory: based on 2 regions (channel radius a)
Lane and Thomas, Rev. Mod. Phys. 30 (1958) 257
P.D. and D. Baye, Rep. Prog. Phys. 73 (2010) 036301
P.D., Computer Physics Communications 200 (2016) 199



- Main ingredient: matrix elements of the coupling potentials $V_{cc'}^{J\pi}(R): \langle \phi_i | V_{cc'}^{J\pi} | \phi_j \rangle \rightarrow$ fast method needed
- Matching at R=a provides: scattering matrices $U^{J\pi} \rightarrow$ cross sections

4. The R-matrix method

Choice of the basis: the Lagrange-mesh method (D. Baye, Phys. Rep. 565 (2015) 1-107)

- Gauss approximation: $\int_0^a g(x) dx \approx \sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_k g(x_k)$
 - \circ N= order of the Gauss approximation
 - x_k =roots of an orthogonal polynomial $P_N(x)$, λ_k =weights

o If interval [0,*a*]: Legendre polynomials $[0,\infty]$: Laguerre polynomials

• Lagrange functions for [0,1]:
$$f_i(x) \sim \frac{P_N(2x-1)}{(x-x_i)}$$

• x_i are roots of $P_N(2x-1) = 0$

• with the Lagrange property: $f_i(x_j) = \lambda_i^{-1/2} \delta_{ij}$

• Matrix elements with Lagrange functions: Gauss approximation is used $\langle f_i | f_j \rangle = \int f_i(x) f_j(x) dx \approx \delta_{ij}$

 $< f_i |T| f_j >$ analytical

 $\langle f_i | V | f_j \rangle = \int f_i(x) V(x) f_j(x) dx \approx V(x_i) \delta_{ij} \Rightarrow$ no integral needed

Also applicable to non-local potentials

- 5. Results on ¹¹Li+p
- a. Conditions of the calculations



Interactions

- n+p: Minnesota
- ⁹Li+p: Koning-Delaroche, Chapel Hill

Channel radius a~25 fm (stability tests)

¹¹Li pseudostates E_{max}=10 MeV, j_{max}=3



b. Convergence of the elastic cross section, E_{lab} =66 MeV, E_{cm} =5.5 MeV



c. Comparison with experiment

OM: optical model with global parametrizations (KD03, CH89)



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d. Equivalent potentials

Question: can we find a single-channel equivalent potential?

• J-dependent potential

For the elastic channel : $(T_R + V_{11}^J(R) - E)u_1^J(R) = -\sum_{c \neq 1} V_{1c}^J(R)u_c^J(R)$

Equivalent to $(T_R + V_{11}^J(R) + V_{pol}^J(R) - E) u_1^J(R) = 0$

with $V_{pol}^{J}(R) = -\frac{\sum_{c \neq 1} V_{1c}^{J}(R) u_{c}^{J}(R)}{u_{1}^{J}(R)}$

Problems: J dependent contains singularities (nodes of the wave function)

 \rightarrow Construction of a J-independent potential

b) J-independent potential

I.J. Thompson et al., Nucl. Phys. A 505 (1989) 84.

$$V_{pol}(R) = \frac{\sum_{J} V_{pol}^{J}(R) \omega^{J}(R)}{\sum_{J} \omega^{J}(R)}$$

With $\omega^{J}(R)$ =weight function

$$\omega^{J}(R) = (2J+1) \left(1 - \left|U_{11}^{J}\right|^{2}\right) \left|u_{1}^{J}(R)\right|^{2}$$

reduces the influence of the nodes gives more weight to the dominant J-values Test: verify that $V_{pol}(R)$ redroduces the full calculation



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¹¹Li+n potential (used for ¹¹Li+d)



 θ (deg)

- Main goal: simultaneous study of ¹¹Li+p and ¹¹Li+d (same conditions)
- Much more difficult: many channels, coupling potentials require long computer times, etc
 → no full convergence

First calculation: « standard » CDCC calculation with ¹¹Li+p/n equivalent potentials (deuteron BU only)



Second calculation: 5-body CDCC calculation

Convergence with respect to ¹¹Li BU (d in ground state)



Convergence with respect to deuteron BU (¹¹Li in ground state)



Second calculation: 5-body CDCC calculation

Summary



Second calculation: 5-body CDCC calculation



Equivalent potential



- OM: optical potential fitted by Kanungo et al.
- Data are close to Rutherford scattering

A short range is necessary (surprising...)

Conclusions

7. Conclusion

¹¹Li structure

- Presence of a 1⁻ resonance at low energies
- No isoscalar character (as suggested by Kanungo et al.)

¹¹Li+p: 4-body CDCC

- Break up effects important for $\theta > 90^{\circ}$ (also closed channels)
- Fair description of the elastic scattering cross section

¹¹Li+d: 5-bocy CDCC

- Extension of CDCC to "3+2" systems: important computer times (coupling potentials, large CC systems)
- "Full" convergence cannot be achieved
- Data surprisingly close to Rutherford \rightarrow to be confirmed

Limitations of CDCC: ⁹Li+p/n at E~5 MeV

- presence of resonances?
- treatment of Pauli forbidden states?

Data needed

- 9 Li+p elastic scattering \rightarrow optical potential
- ¹¹Li+p/d data at higher energies