

# Particle-particle RPA applied to beryllium isotopes

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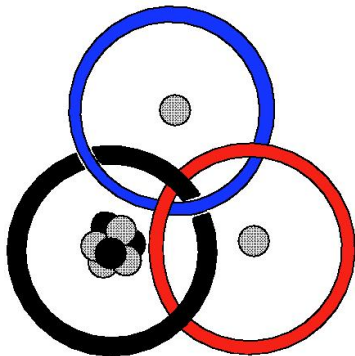
Problematic

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Description of even-even  ${}^{10-14}\text{Be}$  from a  ${}^{12}\text{Be}$  core





- ▶ Light neutron rich nuclei
- ▶ One- or two-neutron halo nuclei
- ▶ Large spatial extension
- ▶ Borromean (core+n, n+n systems are unbound)
- ▶ Three-body calculations

# Method: Particle-particle RPA (pp-RPA)



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- ▶ pp-RPA
  - ▶ Three-body model
  - ▶ Takes into account the two-body correlations
- ▶ Ingredients
  - ▶ Neutron-core interaction
  - ▶ Neutron-neutron interaction
- ▶ Information obtained with the RPA
  - ▶ Two-body amplitudes between the core and the core  $\pm 2$  neutrons
  - ▶  $S_{2n}(A)$  and  $S_{2n}(A+2)$

# pp-RPA equations (1)



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For a given spin and parity the RPA amplitudes  $X$  and  $Y$  satisfy the system of equations:

$$(E - \epsilon_a)x_a - \sum_b \langle a | V_{nn} | b \rangle x_b - \sum_{\beta} \langle a | V_{nn} | \beta \rangle x_{\beta} = 0,$$

$$(E - \epsilon_{\alpha})x_{\alpha} - \sum_b \langle \alpha | V_{nn} | b \rangle x_b - \sum_{\beta} \langle \alpha | V_{nn} | \beta \rangle x_{\beta} = 0,$$

with  $a = (a_1, a_2)$  as a two-neutron configuration with the neutrons in states  $a_1, a_2 \dots$  unoccupied in the Hartree-Fock core ground state, and  $\alpha, \beta \dots$  as two-neutron configurations with the neutrons in occupied states.

(*J. C. Pacheco and N. Vinh Mau, Phys. Rev. C65 044004 (2002).*)

# pp-RPA equations (2)



## RPA amplitudes

$$\begin{aligned}X_{ab}^{(N)} &= \langle N | B_{ab}^\dagger | \tilde{0} \rangle \\X_{\alpha\beta}^{(N)} &= \langle N | B_{\alpha\beta} | \tilde{0} \rangle \\Y_{\alpha\beta}^{(M)} &= \langle M | B_{\alpha\beta}^\dagger | \tilde{0} \rangle \\Y_{ab}^{(M)} &= \langle M | B_{ab} | \tilde{0} \rangle\end{aligned}$$

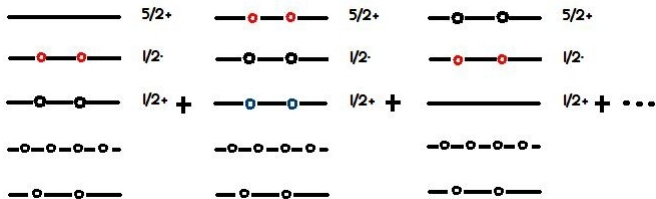
With the following orthonormalization

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_a X_a^{(n)} X_a^{(n')} - \sum_\alpha X_\alpha^{(n)} X_\alpha^{(n')} &= \delta_{nn'} \\ \sum_a Y_a^{(m)} Y_a^{(m')} - \sum_\alpha Y_\alpha^{(m)} Y_\alpha^{(m')} &= -\delta_{mm'}\end{aligned}$$

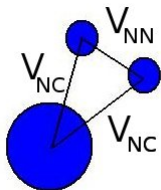
# pp-RPA (3)



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- ▶ If we stop to the first term: pp-TDA.
- ▶ Account for two-body correlations in the core nucleus.
- ▶ Inert core (in a  $0^+$  state).



- ▶ NN effective interaction: Gogny D1S
- ▶ Neutron-core interaction:  
WS + phenomenological particle-vibration  
coupling

$$U(r) = V_{WS} + \delta V,$$
$$\delta V(r) = 16\alpha e^{2(r-R)/a} / (1 + e^{(r-R)/a})^4$$

(N. Vinh Mau, Nucl. Phys. A 592, 33 (1995).)

# Purpose

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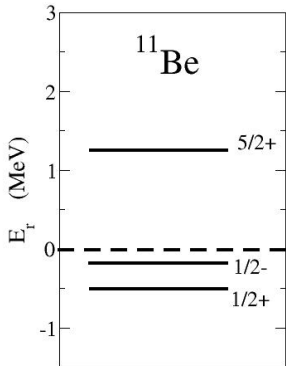
- ▶ Description of even-even  $8-12\text{Be}$  from  $10\text{Be}$  core  
We look also at  $12\text{Be}$  as  $11\text{Be}$  structure is known, it is a good test for the model.
  
- ▶ Description of even-even  $10-14\text{Be}$  from  $12\text{Be}$  core  
We calculate the characteristics of  $14\text{Be}$  to constrain the  $13\text{Be}$  structure which is not well known.

*(Blanchon et al., PRC 00, 004300 (2010).)*

# Description of even-even $^{8-12}\text{Be}$ from a $^{10}\text{Be}$ core



- ▶  $^{11}\text{Be}$ : Experimentally
- ▶ Single-particle spectrum fitted from experiment with the phenomenological  $pv$  coupling.
- ▶  $pp$ -RPA built on top of  $sp$  spectrum.
- ▶ Inversion between  $1/2^+$  and  $1/2^-$  states.
- ▶  $^{10}\text{Be}$ :  $E^*(2^+) = 3.36$  MeV with  $B(E2) = 52 e^2\text{fm}^4$ .



(F. Ajzenberg-Selove, *NPA506,1* (1990);

G. Audi and A. H. Wapstra, *NPA595*, 409 (1995).)

# $^{12}\text{Be}$ : Ground state properties (1)



**Table:** Theoretical and experimental values of  $S_{2n}$  (MeV) in  $^{10}\text{Be}$  and  $^{12}\text{Be}$  (from Ref.[1]),  $\langle r^2 \rangle^{1/2}$  (fm),  $\langle \lambda^2 \rangle^{1/2}$  (fm) and  $\langle \rho^2 \rangle_{A+2}^{1/2}$  (fm) in  $^{12}\text{Be}$  (from Ref.[2]).

	$S_{2n}(^{10}\text{Be})$	$S_{2n}(^{12}\text{Be})$	$\langle r^2 \rangle_{A+2}^{1/2}$	$\langle \rho^2 \rangle^{1/2}$	$\langle \lambda^2 \rangle^{1/2}$
Theory	8.49	3.62	2.76	4.89	4.10
Exp.	8.48	$3.67 \pm 0.01$	$2.59 \pm 0.06$	-	-

[1] G. Audi et al., NPA729, 337 (2003).

[2] A. Ozawa et al., NPA693, 32, (2001).

## $^{12}\text{Be}$ : Ground state properties (2)

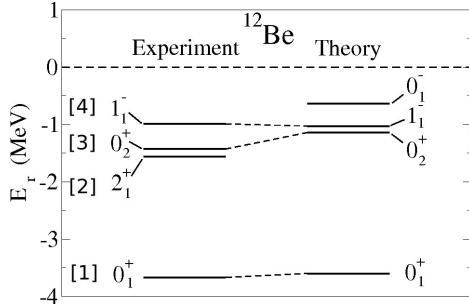


Table: Main pp-RPA amplitudes of  $0_1^+$  ground state in  $^{12}\text{Be}$ .

$X_{ab}$				$X_{\alpha\beta}$
$(1p_{1/2})^2$	$(1p_{1/2}, 2p_{1/2})$	$(2s_{1/2})^2$	$(1d_{5/2})^2$	$(1p_{3/2})^2$
0.76	0.31	0.50	0.43	0.57

- ▶ *Kanungo PLB 690, 245 (2010)*  $\Rightarrow$  s-wave spectroscopic factor of 0.28 for  $0_1^+$ .
- ▶ Strong correlations in the  $^{10}\text{Be}$  core.
- ▶ Indication of a breakdown of the  $N = 8$  shell closure in  $^{12}\text{Be}$ . (*A. Navin et al. PRL 85, 266 (2000).*)

# $^{12}\text{Be}$ : Excited states



- [1] G. Audi et al., *NPA*729, 337 (2003).  
[2] M. Bernas et al., *PLB*116, 7 (1982).  
[3] S. Shimoura et al., *PLB*560, 31 (2003).  
[4] H. Iwasaki et al., *PLB*491, 8 (2000).

- ▶  $0^-$  excited state  
(nearly pure  $(1p_{1/2}, 2s_{1/2})$ )  
Agreement with  
*Romero-Redondo et al.,*  
*PLB*660,32(2008).

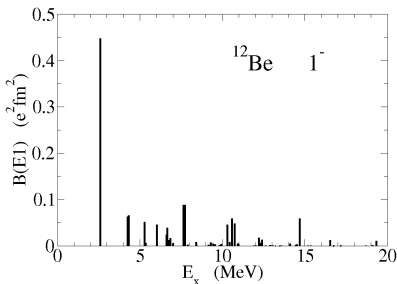
- ▶ Good results for  $0^+$  and  $1^-$  excited states.
- ▶ Not able to describe  $2^+$  states: inert core assumption. Can be solved using a deformed core.  
(*Nunes et al. NPA 703, 593 (2002).*)

**Table:** Main pp-RPA amplitudes of  $0_2^+$  state in  $^{12}\text{Be}$ .  $X_{\alpha\beta}$  amplitudes are found negligible.

$X_{ab}$			
$(1p_{1/2})^2$	$(2s_{1/2})^2$	$(1p_{1/2}, 2p_{1/2})$	$(2s_{1/2}, 3s_{1/2})$
-0.48	-0.86	0.11	0.10

- ▶ *Kanungo PLB 690, 245 (2010)*  $\Rightarrow$  s-wave spectroscopic factor of 0.73 for  $0_2^+$

# $^{12}\text{Be}$ : $B(E1)$



- ▶ Soft dipole contribution to  $B(E1)$  (inert core assumption).
- ▶  $1_1^-$  state is a nearly pure ( $1p_{1/2}$ ,  $2s_{1/2}$  configuration).
- ▶ Experimental  $E_x(1^-) = 2.68$  MeV  
with  $B(E1) = 0.051(13)$   $e^2\text{fm}^2$ .

# $^{12}\text{Be}$ : Summary



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- ▶ Good results for ground state properties.
- ▶ Good results for  $1^-$  and  $0^+$  excited states.
- ▶ Results for  $0^-$  state in agreement with Romero-Redondo even if the state has never been observed experimentally.
- ▶ Problem:  $B(E1)$  strength too high.
- ▶ Problem:  $2_1^+$  excited state, that is built as  $|^{12}\text{Be}(2^+)\rangle \otimes (2n)_{0+}$   
Need for a deformed core.

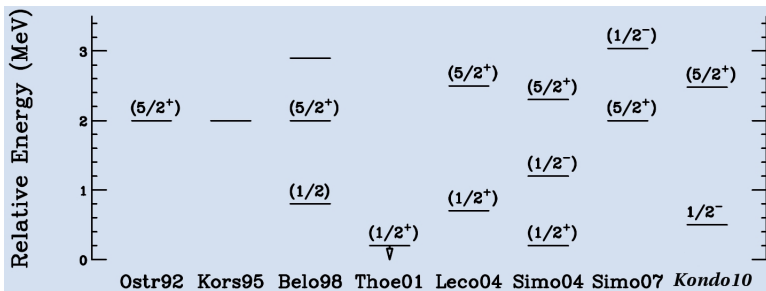
# Description of even-even $^{10-14}\text{Be}$ from a $^{12}\text{Be}$ core



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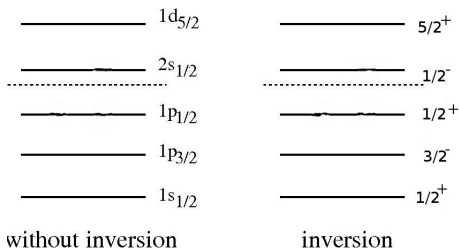
- ▶  $^{14}\text{Be}$ 
  - ▶ Drip-line nucleus
  - ▶ Two neutron halo
  - ▶ Borromean ( $^{12}\text{Be}+n$ ,  $n+n$  systems are unbound)
  - ▶ No bound excited states
  
- ▶  $^{13}\text{Be}$ 
  - ▶ Unbound nucleus
  - ▶ Low-lying levels are not clarified

# $^{13}\text{Be}$ : Experimentally



(From Kondo et al.)

# With/without shell inversion in $^{13}\text{Be}$



- ▶ **Strategy:** We test two scenarios for  $^{13}\text{Be}$  spectrum.
- ▶ **Inversion:**  $^{12}\text{Be}$ :  $E(2_1^+) = 2.6$  MeV with  $B(E2; 0_1^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+) \approx 50 e^2 \text{fm}^4$ .

# $^{14}\text{Be}$ : Three-body models



## Two scenarios for $^{13}\text{Be}$ :

- ▶ Normal shell ordering
- ▶ Faddeev calculation.  
(Zhukov and Thompson, *PRC* 49, 1904 (1994).)
- ▶ Generatrice coordinate model.  
(Descouvemont, *PRC* 52, 704 (1995).)
- ▶ Lagrangian mesh calculation.  
(Adahchour et al., *PLB* 356, 445 (1995).)
- ▶ Macroscopic model with deformation.  
(Tarutina et al., *NPA* 733, 53 (2004).)
- ▶ Shell inversion
- ▶ Two-neutron pairing model.  
(Labiche et al. *PRC* 60, 027303 (1999).)
- ▶ Particle-particle RPA (g.s.).  
(Pacheco and Vinh Mau, *PRC* 65, 0440044 (2002).)
- ▶ Particle-particle RPA (excited).  
(Blanchon et al., *PRC* 00, 004300 (2010).)

# $^{14}\text{Be}$ : Ground state properties (1)



**Table:** Theoretical and experimental values of  $S_{2n}$  (MeV) in  $^{12}\text{Be}$  and  $^{14}\text{Be}$  (from Ref.[1]),  $\langle r^2 \rangle_{A+2}^{1/2}$  (fm),  $\langle \lambda^2 \rangle^{1/2}$  (fm) and  $\langle \rho^2 \rangle^{1/2}$  (fm) in  $^{14}\text{Be}$  (from Refs. [1,2]) in the two cases of **non-inversion (A)** and **inversion (B)** of the  $2s_{1/2}$  and  $1p_{1/2}$  shells.

	$S_{2n}(^{12}\text{Be})$	$S_{2n}(^{14}\text{Be})$	$\langle r^2 \rangle_{A+2}^{1/2}$	$\langle \rho^2 \rangle^{1/2}$	$\langle \lambda^2 \rangle^{1/2}$
<b>A</b>	2.91	0.51	3.45	8.45	5.45
<b>B</b>	3.71	1.29	2.91	4.56	4.02
Exp.	$3.673 \pm 0.015$	$1.26 \pm 0.01$	$3.10 \pm 0.15$	$5.4 \pm 1.0$	$4.2 \pm 1.7$

([1] A. Ozawa et al., NPA693, 32 (2001). [2] F. M. Marqués et al. PLB476, 219 (2000).)

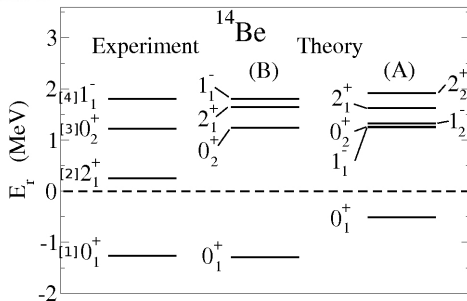
# $^{14}\text{Be}$ : Ground state properties (2)



Table: Main pp-RPA amplitudes for  $0_1^+$  ground state in  $^{14}\text{Be}$  **without (A) and with (B) inversion** of  $2s_{1/2}$ - $1p_{1/2}$  shells.

	$X_{ab}$			$X_{\alpha\beta}$	
	$(2s_{1/2})^2$	$(1d_{5/2})^2$		$(1p_{3/2})^2$	$(1p_{1/2})^2$
A	-0.93	-0.49		0.32	0.36
B	$(1d_{5/2})^2$	$(1p_{1/2})^2$	$(1p_{1/2} \ 2p_{1/2})$	$(1p_{3/2})^2$	$(2s_{1/2})^2$
	-0.56	0.70	-0.63	0.59	-0.45

# $^{14}\text{Be}$ : Excited states



- [1] Audi, NPA729, 337 (2003).
- [2] Bohlen, NPA 583, 775(1995).
- [3] Simon, NPA 791, 267(2007).
- [4] Labiche, PRL 86, 600(2001).

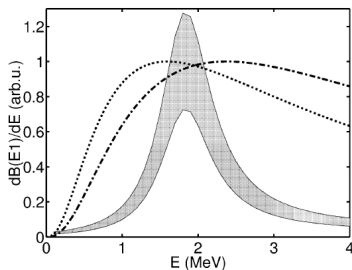
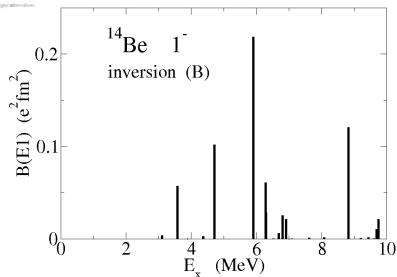
►  $0^-$  at  $E_x = 3.16\text{MeV}$   
( $E_r = 1.87\text{MeV}$ ).

- (A) non inversion.
- (B) inversion  $\rightarrow$  gives better results.

# $^{14}\text{Be}$ : B(E1)



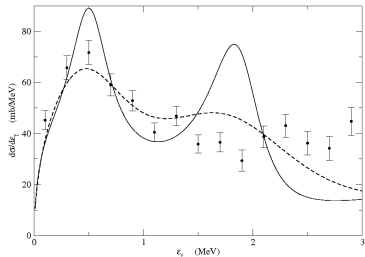
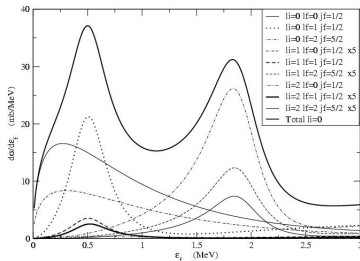
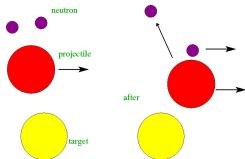
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(C. Forssén et al., NPA706, 48 (2002).)

- ▶ No E1 strength concentration at low energy.
- ▶ Indication of a different structure in  $^{14}\text{Be}$  in comparison with other Borromean nuclei.
- ▶ Effect of the p intruder state.

# $^{13}\text{Be}$ : fragmentation reaction $^{14}\text{Be}$ on $^{12}\text{C}$ @ 250 A.MeV



- ▶ Importance of the p-intruder to fit data.
- ▶ Large  $d_{5/2}$ -resonance (convolution with experimental resolution) (L. Chulkov & Simon, NPA 734 (2004)).

(Blanchon et al., NPA784, 49 (2007)).

# Outlooks

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- ▶ Inversion in the  $^{13}\text{Be}$  spectrum.  
Agreement with Kondo et al.
- ▶ pp-RPA is a simple and powerful tool to study halo nuclei.
- ▶ Calculation of the particle-vibration coupling microscopically.