Nuclear Schiff moment and time-reversal symmetry violation

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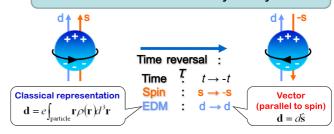
Violation of discrete Symmetries



New question:

- Matter Antimatter asymmetry in our Universe;
- The CP violation within the Standard Model(SM) cannot account for the observed asymmetry;
- Find new sources of CP violation or time reversal invariance (T) violation (Since CPT=1) beyond the SM;
- Search for evidence: electric dipole moments (EDMs) of atom, neutron, and electron.

Non-zero EDM associated with spin is direct evidence of time reversal symmetry violation



$d \neq 0$: T-violation \longrightarrow CP-violation (by CPT theorem)

Sector	Exp Limit Method (e-cm)		Standard Model
Electron	9 x 10 ⁻²⁹	ThO in a beam	10 ⁻³⁸
Neutron	3 x 10 ⁻²⁶	UCN in a bottle	10 ⁻³¹
¹⁹⁹ Hg	3 x 10 ⁻²⁹	Hg atoms in a cell	10 ⁻³³

M. Ramsey-Musolf (2009)

Nuclear Schiff moment and PT-odd interaction



 At the nuclear level: The EDM of an atom originates from the contribution of the nuclear Schiff moment:

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Parity Doublet



$$\frac{|\Psi_1\rangle = \frac{|\Psi_1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}}{55 \text{ keV}}$$

$$\frac{|\alpha\rangle + |\beta\rangle}{|\alpha\rangle + |\beta\rangle}$$

$$S_z = \frac{\left\langle er^2z\right\rangle}{10} - \frac{\left\langle r^2\right\rangle\left\langle ez\right\rangle}{6}$$
 Choose an isotope with large deformations $S \equiv \left\langle \Psi_0 \middle| S_z \middle| \Psi_0 \right\rangle = \sum_{k \neq 0} \underbrace{\left\langle \Psi_0 \middle| S_z \middle| \Psi_k \right\rangle \left\langle \Psi_k \middle| V_{PT} \middle| \Psi_0 \right\rangle}_{E_0 - E_k} + \mathrm{c.c.}$ Unknown

- Nearly degenerate parity doublet; [Haxton, Henley PRL 51:1937 (1983).]
- Large intrinsic Schiff moment due to octupole deformation;

[Auerbach, Flambaum, SpevakPRL 76:4316 (1996)]

Total Enhancement Factor: EDM (225Ra) / EDM (199Hg)

Skyrme Model	Isoscalar	Isovector	
SIII	300	4000	
SkM*	300	2000	
SLy4	700	9000	

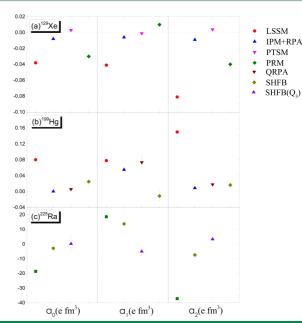
²²⁵Ra: [Dobaczewski, Engel PRL 94:232502 (2005);

¹⁹⁹Hg: [Ban et al. PRC 82:015501 (2010);

Status of studies on nuclear Schiff moment



- The values of a_i in the Schiff moment by different nuclear models differ by a factor up to two to three orders of magnitude and even with different signs;
- The discrepancy causes large uncertainty in the constrains on the low-energy constants \bar{g}_i of the PT-odd interaction.



This work



Motivation

- It is highly important to develop a state-of-the-art nuclear model, which is suitable for the low-lying states of odd-mass nuclei with octupole deformation,
- and apply it to nuclear Schiff moments.

Goal

- Development of multi-reference covariant density functional theory (MR-CDFT) for odd-mass octupole-deformed nuclei.
- Application of the MR-CDFT to nuclear Schiff moment, providing a key input to constrain the LECs of PT-odd interaction.

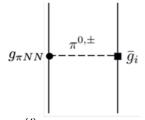


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MR-CDFT for nuclear Schiff moment



In a meson-exchange model, the P,T-violating nucleon-nucleon interaction is given by one weak P,T-violating N \rightarrow NM vertex and one strong P,T-conserving N \rightarrow NM vertex with a meson exchanged between the two.



$$\mathcal{L}_{\pi NN}^{(I=0)} = \bar{g}_{\pi NN}^{(0)} \bar{N} N \vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{\pi} \qquad (1)
\mathcal{L}_{\pi NN}^{(I=1)} = \bar{g}_{\pi NN}^{(1)} \bar{N} N \pi_{z} \qquad (2)
\mathcal{L}_{\pi NN}^{(I=2)} = \bar{g}_{\pi NN}^{(2)} \bar{N} N (3\tau_{z}\pi_{z} - \vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{\pi}) \qquad (3)$$

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$$\mathcal{L}_{\pi NN}^{(I=2)} = \bar{g}_{\pi NN}^{(2)} \bar{N} N (3\tau_z \pi_z - \vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{\pi})$$
 (3)

where $\bar{g}_{\pi NN}^{(I)}$ are coupling constants, N nucleon fields, and π pion fields. The strong interaction vertex is

$$\mathcal{L}_{\pi NN} = i g_{\pi NN} \bar{N} \gamma_5 N \vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{\pi}$$
 (4)

where $g_{\pi NN}$ is the strong pion-nucleon coupling constant, and the τ is the Pauli isospin matrix.

MR-CDFT for nuclear Schiff moment



Second quantization, the nuclear matrix of the V_{PT} in nuclear Schiff moment can be written as,

$$M^{V_{PT}} = \sum_{ijkl} \langle jl|V_{PT}|ik\rangle \langle \Psi_f|c_j^{\dagger}c_l^{\dagger}c_kc_i|\Psi_i\rangle. \tag{5}$$

In the above expression, we have implemented the nuclear many-body wave functions for both initial Ψ_i and the final states Φ_f ,

$$\Psi_{i/f} = \sum_{q,K} f_{\alpha}^{J\pi}(q) |\tilde{\Phi}_{k}^{(OA)}(q)\rangle, \quad |\tilde{\Phi}_{k}^{(OA)}(q)\rangle = \sum_{q,K} \hat{P}_{MK}^{J} \hat{P}^{N_{\tau}} \hat{P}^{\pi} |\Phi_{k}^{(OA)}(q)\rangle.$$
 (6)

We can prove

$$M^{V_{PT}} = \sum_{q_f K_f q_i K_i} f_{\alpha_f}^{J_f}(q_f) f_{\alpha_i}^{J_i}(q_i) \sum_{ijkl} \langle jl|V_{PT}|ik\rangle (\rho_{ij}\rho_{kl} - \rho_{kj}\rho_{il} + \kappa_{jl}^{01*}\kappa_{ik}^{10})$$
(7)

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MR-CDFT for nuclear Schiff moment



The Schiff moment from the contribution of the nuclear charge distributions,

$$S_{0} = \langle \Psi_{i} | \hat{S}_{z} | \Psi_{f} \rangle = \sum_{q_{f} K_{f} q_{i} K_{i}} f_{\alpha_{f}}^{J_{f}}(q_{f}) f_{\alpha_{i}}^{J_{i}}(q_{i}) \sum_{ijkl} \langle j | \hat{S}_{z} | i \rangle \langle \tilde{\Phi}_{k_{i}}^{(OA)}(q_{i}) | c_{j}^{\dagger} c_{i} | \tilde{\Phi}_{k_{f}}^{(OA)}(q_{f}) \rangle$$
(8)

where \hat{S}_z is

$$\hat{S}_z = \frac{e}{10} \sum_{0}^{Z} \left(\hat{r}_p^2 - \frac{5}{3} R_c^2 \right) \hat{\mathbf{r}}_z^p \tag{9}$$

Here R_c^2 is the mean squared radius of the nuclear charge distribution.

$$R_c^2 = \frac{1}{Z} \int d^3 r r^2 \rho(r) = (1.2Z^{1/3})^2$$
 (10)

Finally, the nuclear Schiff moment,

$$S \approx 2 \frac{M^{V_{PT}} \cdot S_0}{E_i - E_f} = g_{\pi NN} (a_0 \bar{g}^{(0)} + a_1 \bar{g}^{(1)} + a_2 \bar{g}^{(2)}). \tag{11}$$



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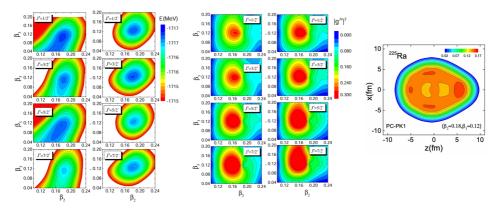
The low-lying state of ²²⁵Ra

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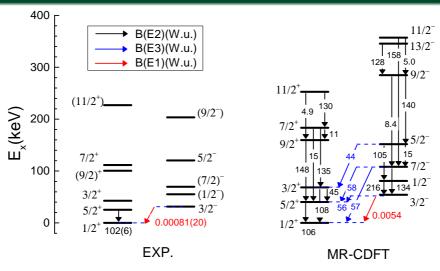
 Extension of mutil-reference covariant density functional theory (MR-CDFT) to low-lying states of odd-mass nuclei with quadrupole octupole deformations;

 Application to the nucleus ²²⁵Ra of candidate atom, showing strong octupole correlation.



The low-lying state of ²²⁵Ra

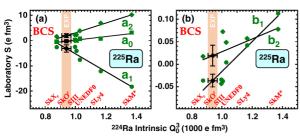




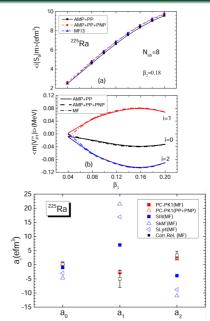
• After taking into account shape-mixing effect in the MR-CDFT, the low-lying states are in better agreement with the data.

The Schiff moment of ²²⁵Ra





- J. Dobaczewski et al., PRL121, 232501 (2018).
 - At the mean-field level, the values of ai by the relaitivistic EDF PC-PK1 are consistent with those by the Skyrme EDFs;
 - The restoration of particle numbers has 10% -20% impact on the structure factors a_i .





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Summary

- We have extended the quantum-number projected GCM approach based on CDFT for odd-mass nuclei with octupole deformation and successfully applies it to study the low-lying states of ²²⁵Ra.
- Additionally, we developed a method for calculating the nuclear Schiff moment and compared with previous studies based on non-relativistic EDF. The results show that our MF calculations give similar results for the regression analysis based on the Skyrme EDF. Additionally, when PP+PNP is added, a_i shows a variation of about 10% to 20%.

Outlook

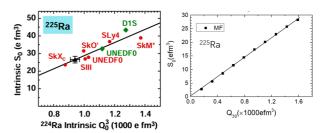
- In the next steps, we will examine the effects of angular-momentum projection and configuration mixing on nuclear Schiff moments.
- Besides, we will provide constraints on the LECs of PT-odd interaction using our calculated Schiff moments, together with the latest measurements on the atomic EDMs.

Thanks for your attention!

The Schiff moment of ²²⁵Ra



- There is a strong linear correlation between S_0 and octupole deformation β_3 and moment Q_3 .
- Comparing our results with the literature fit, we find that our calculated slope is very close to their value, corresponding to an angle between 86.6° and 88.7°; however, there is a significant difference in the intercept.



J. Dobaczewski et al., PRL121, 232501 (2018)

Method	PC- PK1	PRL 121, 232501 (2018) /Correlated with		
		²²⁴ Ra	²²⁶ Ra	²²⁰ Rn
Slope	18.1	37.3	44.2	17.0
Intercept	0.12	-8.6	-16.1	21.2