# **Experimental Studies** of Few-Body Interactions



# Dynamics of few-body interactions studied in new-generation experiments

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#### Nucleon-Nucleon Interaction Basis of Nuclear Physics



#### Modern NN potentials are <u>in general</u> able to

- \* reproduce properties of nuclear matter (eq. of state)
- \* reproduce (roughly) binding energies of light nuclei
- reproduce global features of the bulk of the scattering observables in 2N and (partly) in 3N systems
- Three-nucleon system is the simplest nontrivial environment to test predictions of observables obtained on the basis of NN potential models
- Introducing concept of three-nucleon forces: genuine (irreducible) interaction of all three nucleons





## Three-Nucleon System Standard Interaction Models





Three-Nucleon Scattering at Medium Energies



 $\Box$  Elastic: N + d  $\rightarrow$  N + d > Beams of p or d Analyze > Various observables  $\Box$  Breakup: N + d  $\rightarrow$  N + N + N > Beams of p or d > Various observables Different effects to be traced > Comparisons between channels > Influences of 3NF ... and their interplay ! > Coulomb force action > Relativistic effects

#### **Experimental Tools** of Few-Nucleon Physics





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#### 3NF Effects Elastic Nucleon-Deuteron Scattering

Predictions of NN potentials with 3NF models better reproduce minimum of the d(N,N)d scattering c.s.



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Effects small, located at extreme angles only !

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#### Persistent A<sub>y</sub> Puzzle at Low Energies Elastic Nucleon-Deuteron Scattering





Energy-dependent discrepancy between measured and calculated analyzing power values (both p-d and n-d), not accounted by 3NF nor by P-waves modif.

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# **3N Systems** Elastic N-d Scattering





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Number of observables for the elastic scattering channel, allowing a multidimensional study of 3NF and other effects

- Only fraction has been measured accurately and systematically (RIKEN/RCNP/IUCF/KVI)
- Not completely clear picture
  still much to explore !
- Complementary studies
  needed at much richer field:
  Nucleon-Deuteron Breakup

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# **N-d Breakup Reaction**



- □ Coverage of large phase-space regions
- Precise, rich sets of data needed for systematic studies of various effects
- Specific configurations sensitive to different dynamical effects



<sup>1</sup>H(d,pp)n measured: directions and energies of two protons, i.e.  $\theta_1, \phi_1, E_1$  $\theta_2, \phi_2, E_2$ 

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#### <sup>1</sup>H(d,pp)n Measurements at 130 MeV **Cross Section and Analyzing Power Results**

1800 cross section data points SALAD  $\theta_1, \theta_2 = (13^{\circ}) 15^{\circ} - 30^{\circ}; \text{ grid } 5^{\circ}; \Delta \theta = \pm 1^{\circ}$ Phys. 40 (2013) 063101 •  $\phi_{12} = 40^{\circ} - 180^{\circ}$ ; grid  $10^{\circ} - 20^{\circ}$ ;  $\Delta \phi = \pm 5^{\circ}$ • S [MeV] = 40 - 160; grid 4; ∆S = ±2 5\*800 data points  $A_x$ ,  $A_y$ ,  $A_{xx}$ ,  $A_{xy}$ ,  $A_{yy}$ •  $\theta_1, \theta_2 = 15^\circ - 30^\circ$ ; grid  $5^\circ$ ;  $\Delta \theta = \pm 2^\circ$ KVI •  $\phi_{12} = 40^{\circ} - 180^{\circ}$ ; grid  $20^{\circ}$ ;  $\Delta \phi = \pm 10^{\circ}$ Groningen St. Kistryn & E. S Nucl. Part. Phys. • S[MeV] = 40 - 160; grid 8;  $\Delta S = \pm 4$ 2700 cross section data points •  $\theta_1, \theta_2 = 5^\circ - 13^\circ$ ; grid  $2^\circ$ ;  $\Delta \theta = \pm 1^\circ$ FZ Jülich •  $\phi_{12} = 20^{\circ} - 180^{\circ}$ ; grid  $20^{\circ}$ ;  $\Delta \phi = \pm 5^{\circ}$ • S[MeV] = 40 - 180; grid 8;  $\Delta S = \pm 4$ Veto  $\checkmark$  2\*300 data points A<sub>x</sub>, A<sub>y</sub> Target •  $\theta_1, \theta_2 = 6^\circ - 12^\circ$ ; grid  $3^\circ$ ;  $\Delta \theta = \pm 1.5^\circ$ •  $\phi_{12} = 60^{\circ} - 180^{\circ}$ ; grid  $40^{\circ}$ ;  $\Delta \phi = \pm 20^{\circ}$ GeWall  $S [MeV] = 40 - 160; grid 16; \Delta S = \pm 8$ 

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#### <sup>1</sup>H(d,pp)n Measurement at 130 MeV Cross Section Results – Discrepancies Cured



Predictions with Coulomb reproduce data much better !

#### <sup>1</sup>H(d,pp)n Measurement at 130 MeV Cross Section Results – Examples



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#### <sup>1</sup>H(d,pp)n Measurement at 130 MeV Cross Section Results – 3NF & Coulomb Effects

 $\sigma_{th})/\sigma_{exp}$ 0.1 8 0 σ<sub>exp</sub> **Including Coulomb force** 0 effects improves the agreement with the data at low E<sub>rel</sub> values Data vs. AV18 -0.1The best agreement Data vs. AV18 + UIX is reached when Data, vs. AV18 + Coulomb both, the Coulomb Data vs. AV18 + UIX + Coulomb force and the 3NF are taken into account ! -0.25 15 20 25 10 30 E<sub>rel</sub> [MeV]

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#### <sup>1</sup>H(d,pp)n Measurement at 130 MeV Analyzing Power Results – Parity Test of Data



$$O_{\beta}(\varsigma', \varphi_{12}) = A_{\beta}(\varsigma', \varphi_{12}) + (-1)^{1-\mu} \bullet A_{\beta}(\varsigma', -\varphi_{12})$$

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#### <sup>1</sup>H(d,pp)n Measurement at 130 MeV Analyzing Power Results



#### <sup>2</sup>H(p,pp)n Breakup Reaction Analyzing Powers vs. Cross Sections



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#### <sup>1</sup>H(d,pp)n Breakup Reaction Polarization Transfer Coefficients

 $E_{d} = 270 \text{ MeV}$   $\theta_{1}, \theta_{2} = 28^{\circ} - 32^{\circ}, \ \Phi_{12} = 180^{\circ}$  $\overrightarrow{\theta_{1}, \theta_{2}} = 180^{\circ} \xrightarrow{p_{12}} \xrightarrow$ 

#### Double-scattering experiment for breakup !

K. Sekiguchi et al. Phys. Rev. C 78 (2009) 054008



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#### <sup>2</sup>H(p,pp)n vs. <sup>2</sup>H(p,d)p Spin-Isospin Selectivity

E<sub>p</sub> = 190 MeV

 $\theta = 14^{\circ} - 30^{\circ}$ 

H. Mardanpour *et al.*, Phys. Lett. B **687** (2010) 149



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#### 3NF + Coulomb Effects Hoyle State of <sup>12</sup>C



State of <sup>12</sup>C enabling the process of fusion  $3\alpha \rightarrow {}^{12}C$ in star burning (<sup>12</sup>C catalyst in CNO cycle)

#### Nuclear Lattice Simulations

Only by taking into account both effects, Coulomb force and 3NF (at NNLO), it is possible without fitting (ab initio) to obtain the right sequence of states

# **3N Systems** N-d Breakup Reaction





- Variety of observables and configurations (wide ph.sp.) for the breakup reaction, field of tests for different dynamic ingredients
- Sets (a few only) of rich, systematic and precise data are (at last) available
- Picture very ambiguous still much to be learnt !
- Comparisons between beam energies - need of new variables

#### **Four-Nucleon Systems**

E<sub>d</sub> = 130 MeV

 $\theta = 15^{\circ} - 30^{\circ}$ 

A. Ramazani-Moghaddam-Arani *et al.* Phys. Rev. C **83** (2011) 024002



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## 4N Systems : First Calculations above Breakup Threshold



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#### 4N Systems : <sup>2</sup>H(d,dp)n Measurement at 160 MeV (preliminary)



#### Few-Nucleon Systems Summary



□ Rich, systematic and precise sets of data available

- (elastic scattering many, breakup a few)
  - basis for comparing different approaches which predict the 3N system observables
- Showed significant 3NF effects
- □ Found large influence of the Coulomb force on c.s.
- Relativistic effects to be studied in detail
- Interplay of different ingredients of 3N system dynamics inspection started !
  - $\hfill\square$  Discrepancies  $\rightarrow$  hints of imperfections in 3NF models
- General picture not quite clear needed studies to provide evidences of trends in deficiencies

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Few-Nucleon Studies Outlook & Wishes



#### Prospects for further results:

- > Evaluating the data accumulated in several experiments at KVI and COSY
- > More measurements:
  - > Japan: RIKEN, RCNP, RIBF, ...
  - Projects @ COSY Jülich
  - > BINA @ IFJ PAN Cracow

BINA detection system moved from KVI to CCB in 2012

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#### **BINA at Cyclotron Center Bronowice**



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## **BINA at CCB – Expected Results**

#### pd Breakup Reaction at 50-250 MeV/A



Measurement of  $d\sigma/d\Omega(\theta)$  of p + d elastic scattering at 108, 135 and 160 MeV

- 108 MeV data exist (cross check)
- 135 MeV discrepancy between data sets
- 160 MeV no data
- all three energies in one experiment - good control over normalization to luminosity

Further plans – polarized <sup>2</sup>H target

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# Personal, surely incomplete view Awaited theoretical achievements:

- > 3NF at  $N^{3}LO$  (close ahead...)
- > ChPT with  $\Delta$  (work in progress...)
- Realistic potentials with Coulomb
- Relativistic potentials with 3NF
- > Rigorous calculations for 4N system (dream comes true ?)

#### Few-Body Systems Remain Attractive !





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