The Pygmy Dipole Resonance – past, presence, and future

- The **past**: From Giants to Pygmies
- The **presence**: Methods and experimental status
- The **future**: New experimental approaches



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Dipole response of atomic nuclei



History of the Giant Dipole Resonance (GDR)

1937: Atomumwandlungen durch y-Strahlen.

Von W. Bothe und W. Gentner in Heidelberg.

Z. Phys. 106 (1937) 236

1944:

QUADRUPOLE AND DIPOLE Y-RADIATION OF NUCLEI

By A. MIGDAL

J. Phys. (USSR) 8 (1944) 331

1947:

Photo-Fission in Heavy Elements*

G. C. BALDWIN AND G. S. KLAIBER Research Laboratory, General Electric Company, Schenectady, New York

Phys. Rev. 71 (1947) 3

Giant Dipole Resonance (GDR)



History of the Pygmy Dipole Resonance (PDR)

1961:

NEUTRON CAPTURE GAMMA RAYS¹

By G. A. BARTHOLOMEW

Neutron Physics Branch, Chalk River Project, Atomic Energy of Canada Limited

Ann. Rev. Nucl. Sci. 11 (1961) 259

1969:

Effect of the pigmy resonance on the calculations of the neutron capture cross section

J. S. BRZOSKO, E. GIERLIK, A. SOLTAN, JR., AND Z. WILHELMI

Can. J. Phys. 47 (1969) 2850

1971:

Three-Fluid Hydrodynamical Model of Nuclei*

R. Mohan, M. Danos, and L.C. Biedenharn, Phys. Rev. C **3** (1971) 1740



Z protons, Z neutrons, N-Z excess neutrons

Pygmy Dipole Resonance (PDR)

Dipole excitations to bound states in ¹¹⁶Sn and ¹²⁴Sn

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V. Yu. Ponomarev Bogoliubov Laboratory of Theoretical Physics, JINR, Dubna, Russia (Received 22 December 1997)

Phys. Rev. C 57 (1997) 2229



1997:

Pygmy Dipole Resonance (PDR)

2002: Concentration of electric dipole strength below the neutron separation energy in N = 82 nuclei

A. Zilges, S. Volz, M. Babilon, T. Hartmann, P. Mohr, K. Vogt



Phys. Lett. B **542** (2002) 43

From giants to pygmies



Relevance of low-lying E1 strength

- PDR as a universal "collective" excitation mode
- Connection to neutron skin, neutron star radius
- Slope of symmetry energy in EoS
- Impact on nucleosynthesis
- 12 talks and 4 posters at CGS15...



P.-G. Reinhard and W. Nazarewicz, PRC **81** (2010) 051303(R) J. Piekarewicz et al., PRC **85** (2012) 041302(R) J. Erler et al., PRC **87** (2013) 044320



A. Carbone et al. PRC **81** (2010) 041301(R) B.A. Brown and A. Schwenk, PRC **89** (2014) 011307(R)



S. Goriely, PLB **436** (1998) 10 E. Litvinova et al., NPA **823** (2009) 26

Study of the E1 strength distribution via <u>electromagnetic</u> interaction



Scattering of real photons (γ , γ ')



•
$$E_{\gamma} = 0 - S_n$$

- very selective excitation ($\Delta J=1 \text{ or } 2$)
- energy resolution ΔE =5-10 keV
- complex sensitivity limit
- only stable nuclei can be studied



E1 distribution in stable nuclei: (γ, γ')



→ talks by Anton Tonchev, Volker Werner, Ralph Massarczyk, Dmytro Symochko

Scattering of virtual photons via (p,p') at 0°



- E_x = 0 25 MeV
- energy resolution $\Delta E=25 \text{ keV}$
- less selective, complex disentanglement
- only stable nuclei can be studied



 $[\]rightarrow$ talk by Peter von Neumann-Cosel

Coulomb interaction in inverse kinematics



• E_{cm} = few 100 MeV/A

- <u>radioactive</u> nuclei can be studied
- energy resolution ΔE =500 keV
- complex data evaluation

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P. Adrich et al., PRL **95** (2005) 132501 A. Klimkiewicz et al., PRC **76** (2007) 051603 (R) O. Wieland et al., PRL **102** (2009) 092502

Summed B(E1) strength of Pygmy Dipole Resonance



D. Savran, T. Aumann, and A. Zilges, PPNP 70 (2013) 210

Parametrization of "exoticity"



chart of nuclides from: P.D. Cottle, nature 465 (2010) 430

Summed B(E1) strength vs. Coulomb corrected Fermy energy



D. Savran, T. Aumann, and A. Zilges, PPNP 70 (2013) 210

Testing the structure: (γ , γ ') vs. (α , α ')

	(γ,γ') or Coulex	(α,α′) @ 30 MeV/A
Interaction	electromagnetic	strong
Location of interaction	whole nucleus	surface
Isospin	isovector E1 excitations	dominant isoscalar
Multipolarity	E1, M1, E2	EO, E1, E2, E3,
ΔE	<u>3</u> -500 keV	50-200 keV

A coincident detection of the γ decay enhances the selectivity (and possibly the energy resolution) $\rightarrow (\alpha, \alpha' \gamma)$

$(\alpha, \alpha' \gamma)$ and $(p, p' \gamma)$ experiments



D. Savran et al., NIM **A 564** (2006) 267

- CAGRA campaign @ RCNP
- BigRIPS@RIKEN (inverse kinematics)

Splitting of strength: Experimental results



Transition densities for 1⁻ states in ²⁰⁸Pb



→ Contributions by Nicola Lo Iudice, Valentin Nesterenko, Nadia Tsoneva, Hitoshi Nakada, and Sergei Kamerdzhiev

Splitting of the PDR: Interpretation from RQTBA



Summed E1 strength derived from EM excitation



Summed E1 strength derived from (α , α ')



Summed E1 strength derived from (α , α ')



 \rightarrow talk by Vera Derya

From presence to future: Open questions

 Systematics (light vs. heavy nuclei, deformation, exoticity)

E1 strength in light nuclei: ⁴⁰Ca and ⁴⁸Ca



V. Derya et al., PLB 730 (2014) 288

 \rightarrow talk by Vera Derya

E1 strength vs. deformation and N/Z



R. Massarczyk, R. Schwengner et al., PRL 112 (2014) 072501

→ talk by Ralph Massarczyk

From presence to future: Open questions

- Systematics (light vs. heavy nuclei, deformation, exoticity)
- Decay pattern

Decay pattern: γ^3 setup at HIGS



Combination of: LaBr detectors (high efficiency) and HPGe detectors (excellent energy resolution)

B. Löher, V. Derya et al., NIM A 723 (2013) 136

\rightarrow talks by Anton Tonchev and Volker Werner \rightarrow poster by Johann Isaak







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From presence to future: Open questions

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- Decay pattern
- Isospin structure: Comparison of electromagnetic and hadronic excitation

Isospin structure of the PDR in stable nuclei: The CAGRA campaign @RCNP

 $(\alpha, \alpha' \gamma) @ E_{\alpha} = 140 \text{ MeV} and (p, p' \gamma) @ E_{p} = 80 \text{ MeV}$ combining Grand Raiden spectrometer and 16 Compton suppressed HPGe Clover detectors

CAGRA

GRAND RAIDEN





Collaboration: Osaka – Cologne - Darmstadt - Milano

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- Systematics (light vs. heavy nuclei, deformation, exoticity)
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- Isospin structure: Comparison of electromagnetic and hadronic excitation
- Single-particle structure

Sonic@Horus, Cologne



S.G. Pickstone, A. Hennig, M. Spieker, V. Derya, M. Weinert, J. Wilhelmy, AZ

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