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E1 strengths of two-neutron halo nuclei from halo effective field theory

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Due to their large spatial extension, two-neutron halo nuclei display a significant enlargement in the low-energy $E1$ strength distribution parameterizing the Coulomb dissociation cross section. Thereby the $E1$ strength is an important observable for halo nuclei, and by comparing theoretical calculations with experimental data, we can test our understanding of these exotic nuclear systems.

In this talk, I will present results from halo effective field theory (EFT) for the $E1$ strength distribution of the two-neutron halo nucleus ^{11}Li [M. Göbel et al., Phys. Rev. C 107, 014617 (2023)]. The distribution is obtained based on a three-body description of the ^{11}Li ground state via Faddeev equations. Final-state interactions (FSIs) subsequent to the $E1$ breakup are taken into account using a newly developed scheme allowing for the perturbative inclusion of multiple FSIs while conserving unitarity. This method uses the Moller scattering operators.

The calculations indicate that neutron-neutron FSI is the dominant FSI. Comparison with experimental data from RIKEN [T. Nakamura et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 96, 252502 (2006)] shows good agreement within the EFT's uncertainty bands. Moreover, we also compare our approach with theory work by Hongo and Son [M. Hongo, D. T. Son, Phys. Rev. Lett. 128, 212501 (2022)], which employed different assumptions about the ^{11}Li halo. Finally, the $E1$ strength of ^6He in Halo EFT will be discussed.

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