Visualisation of scattering length

attractive potential:

3.2





wavefunction pulled into potential region,

a<0

repulsive potential:





wavefunction expelled from potential region,

0<a<**R**₀



Figure 4.6 The neutron-proton scattering cross section at low energy. Data taken from a review by R. K. Adair, *Rev. Mod. Phys.* 22, 249 (1950), with additional recent results from T. L. Houk, *Phys. Rev. C* 3, 1886 (1970).

Bound states



Ansatz for 2 particle bound state: μ – reduced mass

$$r < R_0: k_1^2 = 2\mu (V_0 - B) \longrightarrow u_1(r) = A_1 \sin k_1 r$$

$$r > R_0: k_2^2 = -2\mu B \longrightarrow u_2(r) = A_2 e^{-\frac{r}{R}}, R = \sqrt{2\mu B}$$

Applying continuity conditions:

$$\cot\left[2\mu(V_0 - B)R_0^2\right]^{\frac{1}{2}} = -\left(\frac{B}{V_0 - B}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$
$$\downarrow$$
$$V_0 = \frac{100 \text{ MeV}}{\left(R_0(\text{fm})\right)^2}$$

Range depth relation for n-p system

Typical numbers for deuteron:

$$R_0 \sim 1.4 \text{fm}, B=2.225 \text{ MeV} \implies V_0=50 \text{ MeV}$$

Size of bound state corresponds to scattering length $a = R_0 + R$ ($a > R_0$)Total s- wave cross section $\sigma_{tot} = 4\pi a^2 \approx 4b$

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Measure cross section larger than the one anticipated from deuteron binding energy.

Explanation: Spin – dependent NN – force

$$\sigma_{\text{scattering}} = \frac{3}{4}\sigma_{\text{triplett}} + \frac{1}{4}\sigma_{\text{singlett}}$$

Deuteron: $J^P = 1^+$,

inferred singlett scattering cross section: $\sigma_{\text{singlett}} = 68b$

Example of partial wave analysis



Partial wave analysis for elastic scattering



π +p scattering at different pion energies

At 200 MeV p-wave scattering

https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-642-41753-5_2

Elastic and total cross section of pion nucleon scattering



Phase shifts of pion-nucleon scattering



Energy dependence of np - phase shift



Figure 4.12 The phase shifts from neutron-proton scattering at medium energies. The change in the s-wave phase shift from positive to negative at about 300 MeV shows that at these energies the incident nucleon is probing a repulsive core in the nucleon-nucleon interaction. \blacktriangle , ${}^{3}S_{1}$; \bullet , ${}^{1}S_{0}$; O, ${}^{1}P_{1}$. Data from M. MacGregor set al., *Phys. Rev.* 182, 1714 (1969).

Change of sign at

E_{kin} ~ 300 MeV

Interpretation:



New measurements on P



Further properties of NN – interaction:

Deuteron has electric quadrupole moment -> non – central force (Tensor potential)

Deuteron spin -> D – wave contribution to wave function -> Spin – orbit potential

General form for fixed isospin:

- \vec{s}_1, \vec{s}_2 spin
- \vec{r} relative distance
- \vec{p} relative momentum
- \vec{L} relative orbital momentum

$$V_{NN} = V_0(r) + V_{ss}(r)\vec{s}_1 \cdot \vec{s}_2 + V_T(r)(3\vec{s}_1 \cdot \vec{r} \ \vec{s}_2 \cdot \vec{r} / r^2 - \vec{s}_1\vec{s}_2) + V_{LS}(r)(\vec{s}_1 + \vec{s}_2) \cdot \vec{L} + V_{Ls}(r)(\vec{s}_1 \cdot \vec{L} \ \vec{s}_2 \cdot \vec{L}) + V_{ps}(r)(\vec{s}_1 \cdot \vec{p} \ \vec{s}_2 \cdot \vec{p}) / m^2$$

Terms constrained by requiring invariance under translations, rotations and symmetry under particle exchange.

Radial dependence not calculable from first principles.



Figure 4.16 Some representative nucleon-nucleon potentials. Those shown include the attractive singlet and triplet terms that contribute to s-wave scattering, the repulsive term that gives one type of p-wave (L - 1) scattering, and the attractive tensor and spin-orbit terms. All potentials have a repulsive core at r = 0.49 fm. These curves are based on an early set of functional forms proposed by T. Hamada and I. D. Johnston, *Nucl. Phys.* 34, 382 (1962); other relatively similar forms are in current use.

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NN potential

Different potentials based on Boson-exchange picture short range interactions mediated by heavier mesons with different characteristics pions: pseudo scalar rhos: vector AV18: R.B. Wiringa, V.G.J. Stoks,

sigmas: scalar



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One boson exchange potential – exchange particles

Type of meson	Physical meson	Interaction terms
Scalar	σ-meson	1, L-S
Pseudo scalar	π,η,η'	Tensor S ₁₂
Vector	ρ,Φ,ω	all

sigma – meson not seen experimentally, 2 pion exchange The isovector mesons π , ρ carry an additional factor of isospin dependence The masses and coupling constants are fitted to experimental data!