# **Report on LNS theory group (GR4) activity**



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**Iniziative Specifiche di CSN4:** 

- MONSTRE
- ≻ SIM



# MONSTRE

Unità: LNS, Bologna, CT,Milano, Padova, Trento FTE totale: ≈30, FTE (LNS) ≈4.5

**Responsabile Nazionale:** Danilo Gambacurta (LNS)

Responsabile Locale: Maria Colonna

Collaborazioni: LNS+CT (Chimera, Medea, NUMEN, ASFIN), Firenze, Napoli, Genova, IPN-Orsay, GANIL, GSI, Monaco, Bucharest, Giessen, Darmstadt, Siviglia, MSU, Pechino, Lanzhou, Rio de Janeiro, RIKEN, ...

# **Obiettivi generali:**

Modeling nuclear structure and reaction properties

## Four WorkPackages (WPs)

- WP1: **Ab initio many body methods for nuclei and nuclear matter**: increasing the accuracy and predictive power
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## **LNS Activities: Nuclear Structure Studies**

**Theoretical Models and Techniques** 

Energy Density Functional Framework (Skyrme, Gogny, Covariant)

✓ Ground state: HF, HF+BCS, HFB

- ✓ **Excited states:** RPA, QRPA, Second RPA, TDHF
- ✓ Transport theories based on EDF

**Fixtending models:** including clusters d.o.f. , short range correlations, bridge with ab-initio theories, ...

#### **Main Physical Cases of Interest**

Collective nuclear excitations, especially in neutron-rich and exotic nuclei (Giant Resonances, Pygmy Dipole Resonance, ...)

EoS of asymmetric matter (symmetry energy, ...)

✓ Charge exchange excitations (Gamow-Teller, Fermi, etc,) and Beta Decay (single and double)

✓ Interdisciplinary aspects between nuclear and neutrino physics

### LNS activities: Nuclear Reaction Studies

**Theoretical Models and Techniques** 

- ✓ Semi-classical transport theories, incorporating many-body correlations
- $\checkmark$  DWBA and/or coupled channel calculations
- ✓ Formulation of scattering theories and methods

#### Main Physical Cases of Interest

- Nuclear reactions at Fermi/intermediate energies
- Direct reaction (transfer, charge exchange, probing spin-isospin channels)
- Fragmentation reactions, also for medical applications
- Impact of Eos on nuclear reactions
- Double Charge Excitations and the connection to double beta decay
- Reactions for astrophysical studies (light systems, cluster structure)

#### **Theoretical part of NUMEN project (Resp. M. Colonna)**

For single charge exchange (SCE) Nuclear Reactions are a well tested approach to probe single  $\beta$  decay... MAGNEX at LNS allow to access *double charge exchange* (DCE)

**Double β-decay**  
Within standard model  

$$\begin{array}{c} \zeta(A,Z)\\ (A,Z+2)\\ ($$

0 L

48

76 82

96100

А

116 124 130 136

150

➔ Modelli di struttura nucleare per meccanismi SCE/DCE

## Modelizzazione e studi formali di reazioni di doppio scambio di carica





Article

# **Theory of Majorana-Type Heavy Ion Double Charge Exchange Reactions by Pion–Nucleon Isotensor Interactions**

Horst Lenske <sup>1,\*,†</sup>, Jessica Bellone <sup>2,†</sup>, Maria Colonna <sup>2,†</sup> and Danilo Gambacurta <sup>2,†</sup>





Article

## Induced Isotensor Interactions in Heavy-Ion Double-Charge-Exchange Reactions and the Role of Initial and Final State Interactions

Horst Lenske <sup>1,\*,†</sup>, Jessica Bellone <sup>2,†</sup>, Maria Colonna <sup>2,†</sup>, Danilo Gambacurta <sup>2,†</sup> and José-Antonio Lay <sup>3,4,†</sup>

The role of **initial state (ISI) and final state (FSI)** ion–ion interactions for double single-charge-exchange (DSCE) reactions has been investigated.

Virtual pion–nucleon charge exchange interactions are investigated as the source for induced isotensor interactions, giving rise to the **Majorana DCE (MDCE) reactions** in the projectile and target nucleus.

**Connections to neutrinoless Majorana double beta decay** (MDBD) are also discussed at various levels of the dynamics, from the underlying fundamental electro-weak and QCD scales to the physical scales of nuclear MDBD and MDCE physics.



**Figure 1.** Schematic representation of the collisional processes contributing to a DCE reaction  $A(Z, N) \rightarrow B(Z \pm 2, N \mp 2)$ . The DSCE reaction scenario of second-order in the isovector NN T-matrix (left) competes with the direct MDCE mechanism proceeding by an isotensor interaction induced by off-shell pion–nucleon DCE scattering.



## From t- to s-channel representation



S-channel: separation and factorization of the 2-step process in target and projectile => Selective information on target and projectile

#### **Two-body transition densities**

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>76</sup>Se ( $\tau^+\tau^+$ ) (L,S,S<sub>1</sub>,S<sub>2</sub>) = (0,0,0,0)



J.I. Bellone, M. Colonna, D. Gambacurta, H. Lenske, submitted

Dissipative reactions provide a unique opportunity to create nuclear matter in several conditions of density and temperature in laboratory

Femto-nova explosion created by heavy ion collisions !



from A. Ono

Explore the nuclear matter
 phase diagram
 and access the nuclear
 Equation of State (EOS)



The EOS of asymmetric nuclear matter

# Semi-classical approx: from ETDHF to *transport theories* Challenges for transport theories: TMEP

physical input (EOS,  $\sigma_{inmed,}$  $\pi\Delta$  physics, ..)

→ transport code

- Quite complex: simulations with many technical details
- Model dependence for some observables
- $\rightarrow$  Establish a sort of systematical theoretical error

→ Transport Model Evaluation (Comparison) Project -- **TMEP** 

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- About 30 participants

#### **Core group:**

MC (Catania) Dan Cozma (Bucharest) Pawel Danielewicz & Betty Tsang (MSU) C-M Ko and Z.Zhang (Texas A&M) Akira Ono (Sendai) Jun Xu (Shanghai) Herman Wolter (Munich) Yingxun Zhang (Beijng) Calculations of **Nuclear Matter** (box with periodic boundary conditions)

test separately ingredients in a transport approach:

observables

- a) collision term without and with blocking (Cascade) Y.X. Zhang, et al., Phys. Rev. C 97, 034625 (2018)
- b) mean field propagation (Vlasov)
- c) pion,  $\Delta$  production in Cascade
- d) instabilities , fragmentation
- e) momentum dependent fields

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A.Ono et al., PRC 100, 044617 (2019) M. Colonna et al., PRC, 104, 024603 (2021)

pl in progress

#### H.Wolter et al, PPNP 125 (2022)



#### Comparing pion production in transport simulations of heavy-ion collisions at 270A MeV under controlled conditions



• **CASCADE**: difference **BUU/QMD** due to better treatment of Pauli-Blocking in **BUU** 

• **FULL**: difference **BUU/QMD** due to «softer» effective interaction in **QMD** 

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FIG. 2. Contours of reduced densities  $\rho/\rho_0$  in the x-0-z plane at different indicated times in the Full-nopb mode.

# Dynamics of low-energy heavy-ion collisions (HIC)

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  - Pre-equilibrium emission in  ${}^{40}Ca+{}^{152}Sm$  at  $E_{beam}=11$  AMeV $\Rightarrow$  Dynamical dipole

[L. Shvedov, S. Burrello, M. Colonna, H. Zheng, in preparation]





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  - Consistent description of light clusters (+ in-medium effects) and fragments





• Linear response to collision-less Boltzmann  $\Rightarrow$  linearized Vlasov eqs. ( $\omega = \omega(k)$ )

[R. Wang, S. Burrello, M. Colonna, F. Matera, arXiv:2405.02157, accepted on PRC Letter]

•  $\omega = Im(\omega) \Leftrightarrow unstable mode (spinodal region)$ 







w/o in-medium: clusters cooperate to fragments
with in-medium: clusters separately emitted

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## EOS and modelization of compact stellar object

- Embedding clusters and short-range correlations in EDFs [coll. G. Röpke & S. Typel]
- Treatment of low-density matter in meta-modeling approach [coll. F. Gulminelli]
  - EFT-inspired & ab-initio benchmarked EDFs [S. Burrello & M. Grasso, EPJA 58:2 (2022)]]



• Theoretical support for interpretation of GW signals for Einstein Telescope

Gamow-Teller Strength in <sup>48</sup>Ca and <sup>78</sup>Ni with the Charge-Exchange Subtracted Second Random-Phase Approximation

D. Gambacurta<sup>®</sup>,<sup>1</sup> M. Grasso<sup>®</sup>,<sup>2</sup> and J. Engel<sup>®</sup><sup>3</sup>

#### Improving beta decay half lives description



Implications for NME in neutrino-less double-β decay,
 PANDORA and NUMEN project



FIG. 4. (a) Cumulative sum for different models (see legend and text) for the nucleus <sup>78</sup>Ni; (b)  $\beta$ -decay half-life for <sup>78</sup>Ni predicted by SSRPA, compared with predictions of other models and the experimental value [58]. The yellow band represents the experimental uncertainty.

#### PHYSICAL REVIEW C 109, 044315 (2024)

Symmetry-restored Skyrme-random-phase-approximation calculations of the monopole strength in deformed nuclei

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#### A. Angular momentum projection

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FIG. 2. Angular momentum decomposition of the HF ground state in  $^{24}{\rm Mg}$  ( $N_{\rm sh}$  = 11).





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(a)

S<sub>00</sub> [fm<sup>4</sup>MeV<sup>-1</sup>]

S<sub>20</sub> [fm<sup>4</sup>MeV<sup>-1</sup>]

200

150

100

50

0

100

50





# Attività 2025: MONSTRE

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Bonaccorso	Angela	Associato	Associazione Senior	0%	Pisa
Bonasera	Aldo	Associato	Associazione Senior	50%	LNS
Burrello	Stefano	Dipendente	Ricercatore	70%	LNS
Colonna	Maria	Dipendente	Dirigente di Ricerca	60%	LNS
Gambacurta	Danilo	Dipendente	Primo Ricercatore	80%	LNS
Greco	Vincenzo	Associato	Prof. Ordinario	10%	LNS
Gargano	Angelina	Dipendente	Primo Ricercatore	70%	Napoli
Shvedov	Leonid	Dipendente	Assegno di Ricerca	100%	LNS

# **SIM:** Strongly Interacting Matter at high density and temperature

Units: Catania, Firenze, LNS, Torino, FTE totale: ≈20 FTE (LNS) ≈6.6

## **Responsabile Nazionale**: Andrea Beraudo (TO) **Responsabile Locale**: Enzo Greco

Collaborazioni: CT, TO, Francoforte, Nantes, CERN, Berkeley LBL, Texas A&M, Duke U., Lanzhou University, University of Barcellona, IIT Ghoa, Jyväskylä, ...

# **Obiettivi generali:** Study of strongly interacting matter at

high density and temperature

- Fenomenologia del Quark Gluon Plasma (QGP)
- Dinamica dei quarks e meccanismi di adronizzazione
- Equazioni del trasporto per i partoni (beyond hydrodynamics):
- Dinamica dei quark pesanti: charm e bottom
- Early stage, dinamica di non-equilibrio AA, pA e pp

# An elephant in the liquid: Heavy Charm Quark



Heavy because:

 $\Leftrightarrow$  M >>  $\Lambda_{QCD}$  (particle physics)  $\Leftrightarrow$  M >> T (plasma physics)

Fokker-Planck Equation – Brownian motion





→ Poorly dragged & long thermalization time (!?)

 $\tau_{c,\text{therm}} \approx O(10^2) >> \tau_{\text{QGP}} >> \tau_{q,\text{therm}} \approx O(1) \ fm/c$ 

Goal : determine strength of QCD interaction and thermalization time of Heavy quarks Long stand problem  $\rightarrow$  reproduce both  $p_T$  spectra ( $R_{AA}$ ) and elliptic flow ( $v_2$ )

# Hadronization from e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> to pp and AA



# **Extension to b quark dynamics**



- Extension of QPM-Catania model employed for charm quarks to bottom quarks: no parameter adjustment!
- Comparison to electrons for semileptonic decays of B mesons: OK! (large error bars)

ML Sambataro et al., PLB849(2024) [hep-ph]

## New: QPM ( $N_f=2+1$ ) extension to QPMp ( $N_f=2+1+1$ )

> **QPMp** describes  $\varepsilon$ , P,  $\chi_{a}$ ,  $\chi_{s}$  of LQCD

+ closer than QPM to D<sub>s</sub> to new

LQCD with dynamical fermions

QPM

**QPMp** 

charm

bottom

 $M_{o} \rightarrow$ 



 $m_{u,d,s}(p)$  expected on theoretical ground  $\rightarrow$  susceptibilities...

 $T \ \partial^2 \ln Z$ 

0.2

0.3

 $\chi_{u,s,c} = \frac{1}{V} \frac{1}{\partial \mu_{u,s,c}^2}$ 

0.8

0.2

 $\kappa_{10}^{n/T^2}$ 



lOCD [Francis (2015)] lQCD [Brambilla (2020)]

lQCD [Altenkort(2023)]

QPM [Case 1] N<sub>5</sub>=2+1+1

 $QPM_{p}$  [Case 1]  $N_{f}=2+1+1$ 

 $QPM_{p}$  [Case 3] N<sub>f</sub>=2+1+1

 $QPM_{n} [m_{hott} = 4.7 \text{ GeV}] N_{f} = 2+1+1$ 

3.2

2.8

 $QPM N_c = 2+1$ 

2.4

 $T/T_{c}$ 

16

 $\succ$  Can this new D<sub>s</sub>(T) generate predictions for R<sub>AA</sub>, in agreement with experimental data?  $V_{2}, V_{3}$ M.L. Sambataro et al. e-Print: 2404.17459

0.5

IOCD [WB]

QPM<sub>p</sub> [Case 1] OPM [Case 1]

OPM [Case 2]

**OPM** [Case 3]

0.4

# **"Fragmentation" Fractions in pp Catania Coalescence**



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# From AA to pp baryon/meson vs $p_{\scriptscriptstyle T}$



Same hadronization approach in pp and AA: pp@TeV like a drop of AA with smaller size & radial flow

SMC: Space-Momentum correlation



# **"Extension to bottom baryons**



> Similar but even larger  $\Lambda_{\rm b}$ /B than  $\Lambda_{\rm c}$ /D

 $\succ$  Extension of coalescence probability in  $p_{\tau}$  about proportional to the heqvy quark mass

# **Very early stage dynamics**



<u>V. Nugara et al., 2311.11921</u> [hep-ph]

initial conditions and early stage attractions?

## Impact of transition to hadronic matter



Even the strong rise of the shear viscosity at the transition to hadronic matter ( $\rightarrow$  increase of equil. time) does not break the evolution toward equilibration

 $\tau_{eq} = 5(\eta/s)/T(\tau)$ 

V. Nugara et al., 2311.11921 [hep-ph]



# <u>Attività SIM 2024-26</u>

Develop a relativistic event-by-event transport theory suitable to perform realistic simulations of relativistic HIC's from AA to pA collisions.

→ Study the existence of dynamical attractors in 3+1 D
 → Heavy Quark dynamics in a unified frameworks in pA and AA(extensiontobquarks)
 → Early stage Heavy Quark in the Glasma (collaboration with INFN-CT)

- ★ Hadronization: coalescence+fragmentation to predict different charmed hadrons like D mesons Λc, Ξc and Ωc baryons as well as multi-charm baryons (Ξcc, Ωcc and Ωccc)
   → to different colliding systems from Pb+Pb to Kr+Kr, Ar+Ar and pA collisions (ALICE3)
  - Explore impact of open quantum system tecniques in high energy physics on quantum computing (NQSTI – PNRR)

# FTE: SIM (6.0)<sup>5.9 in 2023</sup>

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Asta	Angelo	Associato	Dottorando III (proroga)	100%	LNS
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Nugara	Vincenzo	Associato	Dottorando III	100%	LNS
Parisi	Gabriele	Associato	Dottorando III	100%	LNS
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# Budget (in k€)

	Missioni	Inviti	Seminari	Consumi	Inventariabile	Totale
Dotazioni	9	5	4	4	7	29
MONSTRE	9	-	-	-	-	9
SIM	14	-	-	-	-	14
Totale	30	5	4	4	7	52