Simultaneous SM & BSM calculations for allowed & forbidden β-decays

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Why are we here?

- The Standard Model is incomplete (Dark matter, neutrino's mass)
- Experiments are searching for BSM signatures
- ► LHC \rightarrow TeV energy frontier
- Nuclear phenomena are the precision frontier:
 - > New experiments will have $\sim 0.1\%$ level precision
 - Sensitive to new physics at the TeV scale
- The theoretical goal: BSM predictions vs. SM corrections





Introduction: Weak interaction & β -decay BSM Searches



Summary: We Can Do It (and more)

BSM Searches

Weak interaction

Low energy reaction of leptons with nucleons



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$$\langle Vector (C_V) \rangle$$

Axial vector (
$$C_A$$

Tensor (C_T)



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The SM is incomplete

>> Ongoing searches for C_S, C_P, C_T in precision *nuclear* β -decay experiments

Nuclear β -decay

Low momentum transfer: $q \sim 0 - 10 \text{ MeV/c}$



Beta decay, Khan Academy, cdn.kastatic.org/ka-perseusimages/8d978444f15f9bbc3bcadb0549816bc7e264b977.svg

BSM Searches



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"Allowed"
$$0^+$$
: Fermi(when $q \rightarrow 0$) 1^+ : Gamow-Teller

"Forbidden" (vanish for $q \rightarrow 0$)

• All the rest
$$(J^{\Delta \pi})$$



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BSM Searches

Nuclear β -decay formalism



Hayen et al., RMP 2018

q - momentum transfer

- $\vec{\beta} \equiv \frac{\vec{k}}{\epsilon}$ electron's normalized momentum
- $\hat{v} \equiv \frac{\vec{v}}{v}$ neutrino's normalized momentum



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Hayen et al., RMP 2018

q - momentum transfer $\vec{\beta} \equiv \frac{\vec{k}}{\epsilon}$ - electron's normalized momentum $\hat{v} \equiv \frac{\vec{v}}{v}$ - neutrino's normalized momentum Nuclear β -decay formalism **Nuclear** structure β -decay rate: $d\omega \propto kE(E_0 - E)^2 F_0 C_{\text{corr}} \Theta(q, \bar{\beta} \cdot \hat{\nu})$ allowed $\Theta(q,\vec{\beta}\cdot\hat{\nu}) \propto |\langle\psi_f \| \hat{H}_W \| \psi_i \rangle|^2 \quad \stackrel{q \to 0}{\propto} \quad 1 + a_{\beta\nu}\vec{\beta}\cdot\hat{\nu} + b_F \frac{m_e}{E}$ Observables Beta decay, Khan Academy, cdn.kastatic.org/ka-perseusimages/8d978444f15f9bbc3bcadb0549816b 77.sv: anti neutrino electron neutron I'm a changed man! protor

nucleus

Nuclear
$$\beta$$
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 $\Theta(q, \vec{\beta} \cdot \hat{v}) \propto |\langle \psi_f || \hat{H}_W || \psi_i \rangle|^2 \stackrel{allowed}{q \to 0} 1 + a_{\beta\nu}\vec{\beta} \cdot \hat{v} + b_F \frac{m_e}{E}$
Observables
Angular correlation: $a_{\beta\nu} = -\frac{1}{3} \left(1 - \frac{|c_T|^2 + |c_T'|^2}{2|c_A|^2} \right)$
 \bullet Quadratic in C_T , C_T'
 $C_a = 1.27$ Axial vector coupling constant (SM)
 $C_T, C_T' \lesssim 10^{-3}$ Tensor coupling constant (SM), unknown





Standard Model: controlled accuracy

Identifying small parameters

 \triangleright Kinematic parameters - β -decays have low momentum transfer:

* For an endpoint of $\sim 2 MeV$

- $\epsilon_{qr} \sim qR \approx 0.01A^{1/3} *$ $\epsilon_{recoil} \sim \frac{q}{m_N} \approx 0.002 *$
- The nuclear model:
 - $\epsilon_{\rm NR} \sim \frac{P_{\rm fermi}}{m_N} \approx 0.2$
 - $ightarrow \epsilon_{\rm EFT} \sim 0.1 0.3$
- The Coulomb force:
 - $\bullet \epsilon_c \sim \alpha Z \approx 0.007 Z$
- Numeric calculation:

 $\blacktriangleright \epsilon_{solver}$

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q - momentum transfer R - nucleus's radius m_N - nucleon's mass $P_{\rm fermi}$ - Fermi momentum α - fine structure constant Z - final nucleus's charge





Nuclear β -decay

For a general
$$\beta$$
-decay transition $J_i^{\pi_i} \rightarrow J_f^{\pi_f}$:
 $\vartheta(q, \vec{\beta} \cdot \hat{v}) = \sum_{J=|J_i-J_f|}^{J_i+J_f} \vartheta^{J^{\Delta \pi}}(q, \vec{\beta} \cdot \hat{v})$
 $J_j^{(i)} = J_f = J_j = J_f + J_f$
 $\vartheta_{\pi} = \pi_i \cdot \pi_f$
* Allowed"
(when $q \rightarrow 0$)
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LO:

 $\widehat{M}_{J}^{A} \sim \epsilon_{qr}^{J} \sim q^{J}$

 $\hat{L}_{J}^{A} \sim \epsilon_{qr}^{J-1} \sim q^{J-1}$

NLO: \hat{C}_{J}^{A} , $\hat{M}_{J}^{V} \sim \epsilon_{\text{recoil}} \epsilon_{qr}^{J-1}$, $\epsilon_{NR} \epsilon_{qr}^{J} \sim q^{J+1}$

SM corrections

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 $(-)^{J-1}$

Gamow Teller (J = 1)

unique (J-1)th forbidden

J = 0

J > 0

SM corrections



 $\epsilon_{\rm NR} \sim \frac{P_{\rm fermi}}{m_N} \approx 2 \cdot 10^{-1}$ $\frac{\epsilon_{\rm EFT}}{\epsilon_{qr}} \sim 1 \cdot 10^{-1}$ $\frac{\epsilon_{qr}}{\epsilon_{qr}} \sim qR \approx 5 \cdot 10^{-2}$ $\epsilon_c \sim \alpha Z_f \approx 2 \cdot 10^{-2}$ $\epsilon_{\rm recoil} \sim \frac{q}{m_{\rm N}} \approx 4 \cdot 10^{-3}$ **Multipole Expansion** General Theory for any nucleus & transition

SM corrections

Controlled accuracy!

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SM: measurements





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 $^{23}Ne \rightarrow ^{23}Na$

Reanalyzing measurements of Carlson *et al.*, PhysRev132.2239 (1963)

Constraining $a_{\beta\nu} \& b_F$ **simultaneously**

SM: measurements



statistics experiment theory $a_{\beta\nu} = -0.3331 \pm 0.0028 \pm 0.0004 \pm 0.0002$ $b_F = 0.0007 \pm 0.0049 \pm 0.0003 \pm 0.0001$

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New constraints on the existence of exotic Tensor interactions

SM: measurements



$$\frac{C_T^+}{C_A} = 0.0007 \pm 0.0049 \qquad \frac{C_T^-}{C_A} = 0.0001 \pm 0.0823$$

SM: measurements



Falkowski et al., J.High Energ.Phys.2021

 C_S^+/C_V

SM: measurements



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 C_S^+/C_V

BSM missing theory: forbidden decays (tensor+)







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 $\widehat{\mathcal{H}}_W \sim \pmb{C}_{\rm T} \ \hat{\jmath}^{\mu\nu}(\vec{x}) \ \hat{\mathcal{J}}_{\mu\nu}(\vec{x})$

Tensor interactions

Symmetric:

A space-time-metric and the stress-energy tensor

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 $\implies l_{00} = 0$

$$l_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} l_{00} & \left(\leftarrow \vec{l}_{0.} \rightarrow \right) \\ \left(\uparrow \\ \vec{l}_{.0} \\ \downarrow \end{pmatrix} & \left(\begin{matrix} \mu \\ l_{ij} \end{pmatrix} \\ \left(\begin{matrix} \mu \\ \mu \\ \mu \end{pmatrix} \right) \end{pmatrix}$$

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Tensor "vector-like" multipole operators with an <u>identified parity</u>

BSM missing theory

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Tensor "vector-like" multipole operators with an <u>identified parity</u>

►
$$\Delta \pi = (-)^{J-1}$$
: "Axial (vector)-like" tensor operators:
 $\hat{L}_{J}^{T} = -\frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{g_{T}}{g_{A}} \hat{L}_{A}^{A} + O\left(\epsilon_{NR}^{2} \sim \frac{P_{fermi}^{2}}{m_{N}^{2}} \sim 0.04\right)$
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operator
 $\Delta \pi = (-)^{J}$: "Vector" like tensor operators:
 $\hat{L}_{J}^{T'} \propto \epsilon_{qr} \sim \frac{q}{m_{N}} = 0.002$ (for an end point of ~2 MeV) relations for $\hat{E}_{J}^{T}, \hat{M}_{J}^{T}$
No Coulomb multipole \hat{C}_{J}^{T} (associated with the charge $l_{00} = 0$)
 $\hat{C}_{J}^{S} = -\frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{g_{S}}{g_{V}} \hat{C}_{J}^{V} + O\left(\epsilon_{NR}^{2} \sim \frac{P_{fermi}^{2}}{m_{N}^{2}} \sim 0.04\right)$
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$$\frac{\Delta \pi \quad \text{transition} \qquad \text{multipoles} \qquad BSM$$

$$+ \qquad \text{Fermi} \qquad \hat{\mathcal{L}}_0^V \sim 1 \qquad \hat{\mathcal{L}}_0^S \approx \frac{g_S}{2} \hat{\mathcal{L}}_0^V$$

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	J = 0	+	Fermi	$\hat{C}_0^V \sim 1$	$\hat{C}_0^S \approx \frac{g_S}{g_V} \hat{C}_0^V$
		-	1 st forbidden	$ \hat{L}_{0}^{A} \sim \epsilon_{qr} \sim q \hat{C}_{0}^{A} \sim \epsilon_{NR} \sim q $	$ \hat{L}_0^T \approx -\frac{i g_T}{\sqrt{2g_A}} \hat{L}_0^A \\ \hat{C}_0^P \approx \frac{q g_P}{2m_N g_A} \hat{L}_0^A $
	<i>J</i> > 0	(–) ^{<i>J</i>}	J th forbidden	$ \hat{C}_{J}^{V} \sim \epsilon_{qr}^{J} \sim q^{J} $ $ \hat{M}_{J}^{A} \sim \epsilon_{qr}^{J} \sim q^{J} $	$ \hat{C}_{J}^{S} \approx \frac{g_{S}}{g_{V}} \hat{C}_{J}^{V} \hat{M}_{J}^{T} \approx -\frac{i g_{T}}{\sqrt{2g_{A}}} \hat{M}_{J}^{A} $
А	GM & Ga	$(-)^{J-1}$ zit, PRD 2	Gamow Teller $(J = 1)$ unique $(J - 1)$ th forbidden	LO: $\hat{L}_{J}^{A} \sim \epsilon_{qr}^{J-1} \sim q^{J-1}$ NLO: $\hat{C}_{J}^{A}, \widehat{M}_{J}^{V} \sim \epsilon_{\text{recoil}} \epsilon_{qr}^{J-1}, \epsilon_{NR} \epsilon_{qr}^{J} \sim q^{J+1}$	



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Experimental status over the world

Energy spectrum - b_F

TABLE III. List of nuclear β -decay spectral measurements in search for non-SM physics ^a

Measurement	Transition Type	Nucleus	Institution/Collaboration	Goal
β spectrum	GT	114 In	MiniBETA-Krakow-Leuven	0.1~%
β spectrum	GT	$^{6}\mathrm{He}$	LPC-Caen	0.1~%
β spectrum	GT	${}^{6}\text{He}, {}^{20}\text{F}$	NSCL-MSU	0.1~%
β spectrum	GT, F, Mixed	${}^{6}\text{He}$ ${}^{14}\text{O}$, ${}^{19}\text{Ne}$	He6-CRES	0.1~%

Angular correlation - $a_{\beta\nu}$

TABLE I. List of nuclear β -decay correlation experiments in search for non-SM physics ^a

Measurement	Transition Type	Nucleus	Institution/Collaboration	Goal
$\beta - \nu$	F	³² Ar	Isolde-CERN	0.1~%
$\beta - \nu$	F	³⁸ K	TRINAT-TRIUMF	0.1~%
$\beta - \nu$	GT, Mixed	6 He 23 Ne	SARAF	0.1~%
$\beta - \nu$	GT	⁸ B, ⁸ Li	ANL	0.1~%
$\beta - \nu$	F	²⁰ Mg, ²⁴ Si, ²⁸ S, ³² Ar,	TAMUTRAP-Texas A&M	0.1~%
$\beta - \nu$	Mixed	¹¹ C, ¹³ N, ¹⁵ O, ¹⁷ F	Notre Dame	0.5~%
β & recoil	Mixed	³⁷ K	TRINAT-TRIUMF	0.1~%
asymmetry				



⁶He \rightarrow ⁶Li β -energy spectrum



 \blacktriangleright Experiments are aiming a 10^{-3} accuracy The spectrum is used to find Fierz term: SM SM correction **BSM** $\blacktriangleright b_{\rm F} = 0 + \delta_b + \frac{C_T^+}{C_A}$ BSM • Looking for $\frac{C_T^+}{C_A} \sim 10^{-3}$ Naïve SM $\delta_b = -1.52(18) \cdot 10^{-3}$ • Uncertainty < $2 \cdot 10^{-4}$ corrections

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Doron Gazit's talk

⁶Li



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BSM predictions: unique 1st-forbidden decay

 $d\omega \propto 1 + a_{\beta\nu} \left[1 - \left(\hat{\beta} \cdot \hat{\nu} \right)^2 \right] + b_F \frac{m_e}{\epsilon}$

Predictions & Observables for forbidden decays for the first time



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The β -energy spectrum is sensitive to both $a_{\beta\nu} \& b_F$

- Allows simultaneous extraction of C_T and C'_T
- Increases the accuracy level



Formalism is nice, but applications are nicer...

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Unique 1st-forbidden experiments



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Unique 1st-forbidden experiments

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Charlie Rasco's talk

Determination of β-decay feeding patterns of ⁸⁸Rb and ⁸⁸Kr using the Modular Total Absorption Spectrometer at ORNL HRIBF

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^{**}Rb decay spectra suggests that MTAS can distinguish an allowed β spectral shape from a first forbidden unique β spectral shape.

unique 1st Petr Navrátil's talk forbidden Doron Gazit's talk $2^{-7.13 \text{ s}}$ 0.0 1.1 % 4.3 > 2^{-(T=0)} 8.872 GT (Fermi) 64.00(20) h $Q_{B^{-}} = 10.419 \text{ MeV}$ Q(gs)=2280.1 keV $1.4x10^{-6}(3)^{2^+}$ 2186.3 0.0115(14) 0+ 1760.7 61.3 (25) $\xrightarrow{26\%} 9.1 \rightarrow 0^{+} \xrightarrow{16} 0.0 \text{ orbidden}$ $^{16}_{7}N_{9}$ ⁹⁰Sr: forbidden only ¹⁶N: Large energy separation between the forbidden and allowed branches Ohayon, Chocron, Hirsh, AGM, et al., Hyp.Int.2018 Fig.: Morozov et al. J.Rad.Nuc.Chem.2010

Summary

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SM: controlled accuracy

- Identifying small parameters
- Corrections to observables
- Theory with controlled level of accuracy
 - 6He: corrections with 10^{-4} uncertainty
 - ²³Ne: new bounds on BSM Tensor interactions

BSM: new opportunities

- Tensor forbidden's observables for the first time
- Uses the already-known SM matrix elements
 - No need for new matrix elements calculations
- Forbidden decays BSM sensitivity
 - Experiments @SARAF, @ORNL

Gives significant constraints even for the naivest nuclear calculations

Can be done for any nucleus & decay (allowed/forbidden) Paving the way for new, even higher precision experiments and discoveries Required: BSM predictions vs. SM corrections

SM corrections

 $\begin{aligned} J_i^{\pi_i} &\to J_f^{\pi_f} \\ \left| J_i - J_f \right| &\leq J \leq J_i + J_f \end{aligned}$

 $\Delta \pi = \pi_i \cdot \pi_f$

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Some Details

Estimating the multipoles' EFT error



Pastore *et al.*, PRC87 035503 (2013) Friman-Gayer *et al.*, PRL126 102501 (2021)

(2b currents)

 $^{6}\text{He} \rightarrow {}^{6}\text{Li}$



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β -Nuclear-Recoil Correlation from ⁶He Decay in a Laser Trap

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$$\hat{a} = -0.3268(46)_{\text{stat}}(41)_{\text{syst}}.$$
 (4)

Assuming tensor contributions with right-handed neutrinos (b = 0 or $\tilde{C}_T = -\tilde{C}'_T$) the result above implies $|\tilde{C}_T|^2 \leq 0.022$ (90% C.L.) On the other hand, assuming purely left-handed neutrinos ($\tilde{C}_T = +\tilde{C}'_T$) yields

 $0.007 < \tilde{C}_T < 0.111 \ (90\% \text{ C.L.}).$ (5)

- momentum transfer $\vec{\beta} \equiv \frac{\vec{k}}{\epsilon}$ - electron's normalized momentum $\hat{v} \equiv \frac{\vec{v}}{r}$ - neutrino's normalized momentum Nuclear β -decay formalism Searches for deviations from the SM "V-A" structure allowed $\Theta(q,\vec{\beta}\cdot\hat{\nu}) \propto \left| \langle \psi_f \| \widehat{H}_W \| \psi_i \rangle \right|^2 \qquad \propto \qquad 1 + a_{\beta\nu} \vec{\beta}\cdot\hat{\nu} + b_F \frac{m_e}{E}$ BSM Observables SM Angular correlation: $a_{\beta\nu} = -\frac{1}{3} \left(1 - \frac{|c_T|^2 + |c_T'|^2}{2|c_A|^2} \right)$ • Quadratic in C_T , C_T' β Energy spectrum: Fierz term $b_F^{\beta^{\mp}} = \pm \frac{c_T + c_T'}{2}$ > Vanishes for right-handed neutrinos ($C_T = -C_T'$) Required: BSM predictions $C_A = 1.27$ Axial vector coupling constant (SM) $C_T, C_T' \leq 10^{-3}$ Tensor coupling constants (BSM), unknown

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- momentum transfer

χEFT



Required: SM high accuracy predictions

Calculations

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Translational-invariant 1-body density matrices

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transformation matrix $|a||b| \rightarrow |\alpha||\beta|$

$$\langle \psi_f \Big\| \sum_{j=1}^{A} \hat{O}_J(\vec{\xi}_j) \Big\| \psi_i \rangle = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2J+1}} \sum_{\substack{|\alpha|, |\beta| \\ |\alpha|, |b|}} \langle |\alpha| \| \hat{O}_J(\vec{\xi}) \| |b| \rangle (M^J)_{|\alpha||b||\alpha||\beta|}^{-1} \langle \psi_f \| (a_{|\alpha|}^+ \tilde{a}_{|\beta|})_J \| \psi_i \rangle$$

depend on single-particle Jacobi coordinates $\vec{\xi} \propto \vec{r} - \vec{R}_{CM}$

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Nuclear Hamiltonian $\chi EFT @ N^2LO_{opt (sat)}$ \downarrow $\langle \psi_f || || \psi_i \rangle$

Nuclear wave functions

 $\hat{J}(\vec{x})$

Nuclear currents LO (1-body currents) \downarrow \hat{O}_I

Multipole operators

 $\searrow \langle \psi_f \| \widehat{O}_J \| \psi_i \rangle$

Nuclear matrix elements Ab initio No-Core Shell Model (NCSM)

 $\delta_1, \delta_a, \delta_b$

Observables' corrections

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Nuclear β -decay

Low momentum transfer: $q \sim 0 - 10 \text{ MeV/c}$

Total angular parity momentum Transitions (different ΔJ^{π}):

- ► Allowed:
 - Fermi (F, $\Delta J^{\pi} = 0^+$)
 - Gamow-Teller (GT, $\Delta J^{\pi} = 1^+$)
- Forbidden all the rest
 - Vanish for $q \rightarrow 0$
- Recent experiments: Deviations from the V-A structure (Scalar & Tensor)
 - Missing precise theory for forbidden Tensor interactions



What is next?

GT

Unique 1st

<u>1.1 % 4.3 > 2⁻ (T=0)</u> 8.872 GT (Fermi)

 $\xrightarrow{9.1}$ 0⁺ $\xrightarrow{16}_{8}$ 0.0 forbidden

26 %

$^{16}N \rightarrow ^{16}O$ experiment @ SARAF

- ► Unique 1st forbidden sensitivity to $Q_{B^{-}} = 10.419 \text{ MeV}$ **BSM** signatures
- Energy separation
 - Ideal case study
- ► BSM & SM predictions
- ► Ab initio NCSM & eigenvector continuation emulators with Christian Forssén (Chalmers)

 $^{16}_{7}$ N 9

 2^{-} 7.13 s 0.0

Theoretical & Experimental constrains on the measured observables

AGM, Mishnayot, et al., PLB767 285-288 (2017) Ohayon, Chocron, Hirsh, AGM, et al., Hyp.Int.239,57 (2018) Djärv, Ekström, Forssén, Johansson, arXiv:2108.13313 (2021)

Coulomb corrections

- Usually considered by approximations treating the nucleus with simple models
 - Only for specific transitions

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What is next?
Calculating 2b currents

Significant improvement in accuracy:



Pastore *et al.*, PRC87 035503 (2013) Friman-Gayer *et al.*, PRL126 102501 (2021)



What is next? $\hat{\mathcal{J}}(\vec{x})$ Nuclear currents **Multipole operators** $\langle \psi_f \| \widehat{O}_I \| \psi_i \rangle$ Nuclear matrix elements $\delta_1, \delta_a, \delta_b$ **Observables' corrections**

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Recoil ion spectrum



FIG. 5. The solid red ellipse shows the 1σ region obtained from a fit of simulated recoil momentum spectra with 10^7 events, for the ⁶He decay, where both *a* and *b* were left as free parameters. The blue shaded band shows the 1σ bound on the combination $\hat{a} = a + 0.127b$, whereas the black dotted lines represent the 1σ bound obtained using the \tilde{a} prescription. $\blacktriangleright \beta \text{ spectrum: } a_{\beta\nu} = \frac{a_{\beta\nu}^{\text{measured}}}{1 + \langle \frac{m_e}{\epsilon} \rangle b_F}$

Recoil ion spectrum: $a_{\beta\nu}$ has a non-trivial dependence on b_F

What is next?

Case study: ²³Na ion measurements @ SARAF

Coupled-Cluster calculations with Sonia Bacca (Mainz)

SM corrections

E.g., GT & unique $(J - 1)^{\text{th}}$ forbidden

$$\begin{split} \Theta^{j^{(-)^{J-1}}} & \left(q, \vec{\beta} \cdot \hat{v}\right) = \frac{2J+1}{J} \left(1 + \delta_{1}^{j^{(-)^{J-1}}}\right) \left\{1 + a_{\beta \nu} \vec{\beta} \cdot \hat{v} + b_{\mathrm{F}} \frac{m_{e}}{\epsilon} + c_{\mathrm{squared}} \left[\vec{\beta}^{2} - \left(\vec{\beta} \cdot \hat{v}\right)^{2}\right]\right\} \left|\langle \psi_{f} \| \hat{L}_{J} \| \psi_{i} \rangle\right|^{2} \\ & a_{\beta \nu} = -\frac{1}{2J+1} \left(1 + \tilde{\delta}_{a}^{j^{(-)^{J-1}}}\right) \\ & b_{\mathrm{F}} = \delta_{b}^{j^{(-)^{J-1}}} \\ & \mathbf{b}_{\mathrm{F}} = \delta_{b}^{j^{(-)^{J-1}}} \\ & \mathbf{c}_{\mathrm{squared}} = \frac{1}{2J+1} \frac{\epsilon(\epsilon_{0} - \epsilon)}{q^{2}} \left(1 - \delta_{1}^{j^{(-)^{J-1}}}\right) \\ & \delta_{1} = \frac{2}{2J+1} \Re e \left[-J\epsilon_{0} \frac{\langle \| \hat{c}_{f}^{A} / q \| \rangle}{\langle \| \hat{L}_{f}^{H} \| \rangle} \pm \sqrt{J(J+1)} (\epsilon_{0} - 2\epsilon) \frac{\langle \| \hat{M}_{1}^{V} / q \| \rangle}{\langle \| \hat{L}_{f}^{H} \| \rangle} \right] + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\epsilon_{q}^{2}r}{15}, \epsilon_{c}^{2}\right) \\ & \tilde{\delta}_{a} = \frac{4}{2J+1} \Re e \left[(J+1)\epsilon_{0} \frac{\langle \| \hat{c}_{f}^{A} / q \| \rangle}{\langle \| \hat{L}_{f}^{H} \| \rangle} \pm \sqrt{J(J+1)} (\epsilon_{0} - 2\epsilon) \frac{\langle \| \hat{M}_{1}^{V} / q \| \rangle}{\langle \| \hat{L}_{f}^{H} \| \rangle} \right] + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\epsilon_{q}^{2}r}{15}, \epsilon_{c}^{2}\right) \\ & \delta_{b} = \frac{2}{2J+1} m_{e} \Re e \left[J \frac{\langle \| \hat{c}_{f}^{A} / q \| \rangle}{\langle \| \hat{L}_{f}^{H} \| \rangle} \pm \sqrt{J(J+1)} \frac{\langle \| \hat{M}_{1}^{V} / q \| \rangle}{\langle \| \hat{L}_{f}^{H} \| \rangle} \right] + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\epsilon_{q}^{2}r}{m_{e}}, \frac{\epsilon_{c}^{2}}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

AGM & DG, <u>arXiv:2107.10588</u>(2021)

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Nuclear Currents

Vector: $\langle p(p_p) | \bar{u}\gamma_{\mu}d | n(p_n) \rangle = \bar{u}_p(p_p) \left[g_V(q^2) \gamma_{\mu} + \frac{\tilde{g}_{T(V)}(q^2)}{2m_N} \sigma_{\mu\nu}q^{\nu} + \frac{\tilde{g}_S(q^2)}{2m_N}q_{\mu} \right] u_n(p_n)$ Axial: $\langle p(p_p) | \bar{u}\gamma_{\mu}\gamma_5 d | n(p_n) \rangle = \bar{u}_p(p_p) \left[g_A(q^2) \gamma_{\mu} + \frac{\tilde{g}_{T(A)}(q^2)}{2m_N} \sigma_{\mu\nu}q^{\nu} + \frac{\tilde{g}_P(q^2)}{2m_N}q_{\mu} \right] \gamma_5 u_n(p_n)$

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$$\hat{C}_{JM} = \int d^3x \, j_J(qx) Y_{JM}(\hat{x}) \hat{J}_0(\vec{x})$$
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$$\hat{E}_{JM} = \frac{i}{q} \int d^3x \{ \overline{\nabla} \times [j_J(qx) \ \overline{Y}_{JJ1}^M(\hat{x})] \} \cdot \hat{J}(\vec{x})$$
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$$\begin{split} \hat{C}_{J}^{A}(q) &= -\frac{iq}{m_{N}} \sum_{j=1}^{A} \tau_{j}^{\pm} \left[g_{A} \Omega_{J}(q\bar{r}_{j}) + \frac{1}{2} \left(g_{A} + \tilde{g}_{T(A)} - \frac{\omega}{2m_{N}} \tilde{g}_{I'} \right) \Sigma_{J}^{\prime}(q\bar{r}_{j}) \right] + O\left(\frac{r_{J}^{J}q^{J+3}}{m_{N}^{3}} \right) \\ \hat{L}_{J}^{A}(q) &= i \left(g_{A} - \frac{\omega}{2m_{N}} \tilde{g}_{I(A)} \right) \sum_{j=1}^{A} \tau_{j}^{\pm} \Sigma_{J}^{\prime}(q\bar{r}_{j}) + O\left(\frac{r^{J}-q^{J+2}}{m_{N}^{2}} \right) \\ \hat{E}_{J}^{A}(q) &= i \left(g_{A} - \frac{\omega}{2m_{N}} \tilde{g}_{I(A)} \right) \sum_{j=1}^{A} \tau_{j}^{\pm} \Sigma_{J}^{\prime}(q\bar{r}_{j}) + O\left(\frac{r^{J}q^{J+2}}{m_{N}^{2}} \right) \\ \hat{E}_{J}^{A}(q) &= \left(g_{A} - \frac{\omega}{2m_{N}} \tilde{g}_{I(A)} \right) \sum_{j=1}^{A} \tau_{j}^{\pm} \Sigma_{J}^{\prime}(q\bar{r}_{j}) + O\left(\frac{r^{J}q^{J+2}}{m_{N}^{2}} \right) \\ \hat{M}_{J}^{A}(q) &= \left(g_{A} - \frac{\omega}{2m_{N}} \tilde{g}_{I(A)} \right) \sum_{j=1}^{A} \tau_{j}^{\pm} \Sigma_{J}(q\bar{r}_{j}) + O\left(\frac{r^{J}q^{J+2}}{m_{N}^{2}} \right) \\ \hat{M}_{J}^{A}(q) &= \left(g_{A} - \frac{\omega}{2m_{N}} \tilde{g}_{I(A)} \right) \sum_{j=1}^{A} \tau_{j}^{\pm} \Sigma_{J}(q\bar{r}_{j}) + O\left(\frac{r^{J}q^{J+2}}{m_{N}^{2}} \right) \\ \hat{M}_{J}^{A}(q) &= \left(g_{A} - \frac{\omega}{2m_{N}} \tilde{g}_{I(A)} \right) \sum_{j=1}^{A} \tau_{j}^{\pm} \Sigma_{J}(q\bar{r}_{j}) + O\left(\frac{r^{J}q^{J+2}}{m_{N}^{2}} \right) \\ \hat{M}_{J}^{A}(q) &= \left(g_{A} - \frac{\omega}{2m_{N}} \tilde{g}_{I(A)} \right) \sum_{j=1}^{A} \tau_{j}^{\pm} \Sigma_{J}(q\bar{r}_{j}) + O\left(\frac{r^{J}q^{J+2}}{m_{N}^{2}} \right) \\ \hat{M}_{J}^{A}(q) &= \left(g_{A} - \frac{\omega}{2m_{N}} \tilde{g}_{I(A)} \right) \sum_{j=1}^{A} \tau_{j}^{\pm} \left(g_{V} + \frac{\omega}{2m_{N}} \tilde{g}_{S} \right) M_{J}(q\bar{r}_{j}) + O\left(\frac{r^{J}q^{J+2}}{m_{N}^{2}} \right) \\ \hat{M}_{J}^{A}(q) &= \left(g_{A} - \frac{\omega}{2m_{N}} \tilde{g}_{I(A)} \right) \sum_{j=1}^{A} \tau_{j}^{\pm} \left(g_{V} + \frac{\omega}{2m_{N}} \tilde{g}_{S} \right) M_{J}(q\bar{r}_{j}) + O\left(\frac{r^{J}q^{J+2}}{m_{N}^{2}} \right) \\ \hat{L}_{J}^{A}(q) &= \frac{1}{q} \left[g_{A} \nabla_{J}^{A}(q\bar{r}_{j}) + \frac{g_{V} + \tilde{g}_{I}(V)}{2m_{N}} \right] \left(g_{V} - \frac{q}{m_{N}} \frac{g_{V} + \tilde{g}_{I}(V)}{2m_{N}} \right) \sum_{J}^{A}(q\bar{r}_{j}) \right] + O\left(\frac{r^{J}q^{J+2}}{m_{N}^{2}} \right) \\ \hat{L}_{J}^{A}(q\bar{r}) = -i \left[\frac{1}{q} \nabla \times \tilde{M}_{J,I}(q\bar{r}) \right] \cdot \frac{1}{q} \nabla \\ \hat{L}_{J}^{A}(q\bar{r}) = -i \frac{q}{m_{N}} \sum_{J=1}^{A} \tau_{J}^{\pm} \left[g_{V} \Delta_{J}(q\bar{r}_{j}) - \frac{g_{V} + \tilde{g}_{I}(V)}{2} \sum_{J}^{A}(q\bar{r}_{j}) \right] + O\left(\frac{r^{J}q^{J+2}}{m_{N}^{2}} \right) \\ \hat{L}_{J}^{A}(q\bar{r}) = -i \left[\frac{1}{q} \nabla \times \tilde{M}_{J,I}(q\bar{r}) \right] \cdot \frac{1}{$$