

Calculations of antiproton-nucleus quasi-bound states based on the Paris $\bar{N}N$ potential.

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Introduction

- study of \bar{p} interaction with selected nuclei:
 - behavior of \bar{p} in the nuclear medium
 - \bar{p} absorption in a nucleus
 - testing models of (anti)baryon–baryon interactions as well as models for nuclear structure calculations
- previous study *I.N. Mishustin et al., Phys. Rev. C 71 (2005)*
 - possibility of long living \bar{p} in the nuclear medium?
- the BES collaboration observed a near-threshold enhancement in the $\bar{p}p$ mass spectrum
J. Z. Bai et al. (BES Collaboration), Phys. Rev. Lett. 91 (2003) 022001.
- knowledge of \bar{p} –nucleus interaction for future experiments (PANDA@FAIR)

Model

- \bar{p} binding energies and widths are obtained by solving the Dirac equation

$$[-i\vec{\alpha}\vec{\nabla} + \beta m_{\bar{p}} + V_{\text{opt}}]\psi_{\bar{p}} = \epsilon_{\bar{p}}\psi_{\bar{p}},$$

$m_{\bar{p}}$ is the \bar{p} mass, V_{opt} is a complex optical potential, $\epsilon_{\bar{p}} = -B_{\bar{p}} - i\frac{\Gamma_{\bar{p}}}{2}$, ($B > 0$)

- the S-wave optical potential constructed in a 't ρ ' form

$$2E_{\bar{p}} V_{\text{opt}} = -4\pi \frac{\sqrt{s}}{m_N} \left(F_0 \frac{1}{2} \rho_p + F_1 \left(\frac{1}{2} \rho_p + \rho_n \right) \right),$$

where $E_{\bar{p}} = m_{\bar{p}} - B_{\bar{p}}$, F_0 and F_1 – isospin 0 and 1 scattering amplitudes, ρ_p (ρ_n) is the proton (neutron) density distribution calculated in the RMF model

Scattering amplitudes

- free-space scattering amplitudes \rightarrow microscopic **Paris $\bar{N}N$ potential** constrained by scattering and antiproton atom data
(*B. El-Bennich, M. Lacombe, B. Loiseau, S. Wycech, Phys. Rev. C 79 (2009) 054001*)
- the optical potential based on Paris amplitudes was recently confronted with the \bar{p} -atom data and low energy \bar{p} scattering off nuclei
(*E. Friedman, A. Gal, B. Loiseau, S. Wycech, NPA 934 (2015) 101*)

Scattering amplitudes

- in-medium S -wave amplitudes F_0 and F_1 obtained from free-space amplitudes by multiple scattering approach (WRW)
(*T. Wass, M. Rho, W. Weise, NPA 617 (1997) 449*)

$$F_1 = \frac{f_{\bar{p}n}(\delta\sqrt{s})}{1 + \frac{1}{4}\xi_k \frac{\sqrt{s}}{m_N} f_{\bar{p}n}(\delta\sqrt{s})\rho}, \quad F_0 = \frac{[2f_{\bar{p}p}(\delta\sqrt{s}) - f_{\bar{p}n}(\delta\sqrt{s})]}{1 + \frac{1}{4}\xi_k \frac{\sqrt{s}}{m_N} [2f_{\bar{p}p}(\delta\sqrt{s}) - f_{\bar{p}n}(\delta\sqrt{s})]\rho},$$

where $\delta\sqrt{s} = \sqrt{s} - E_{\text{th}}$, $\xi_k = \frac{9\pi}{p_f^2} 4 \int_0^\infty \frac{dt}{t} \exp(iqt) j_1^2(t)$ and $q = \frac{1}{p_f} \sqrt{E_p^2 - m_p^2}$

In-medium Paris S-wave amplitudes

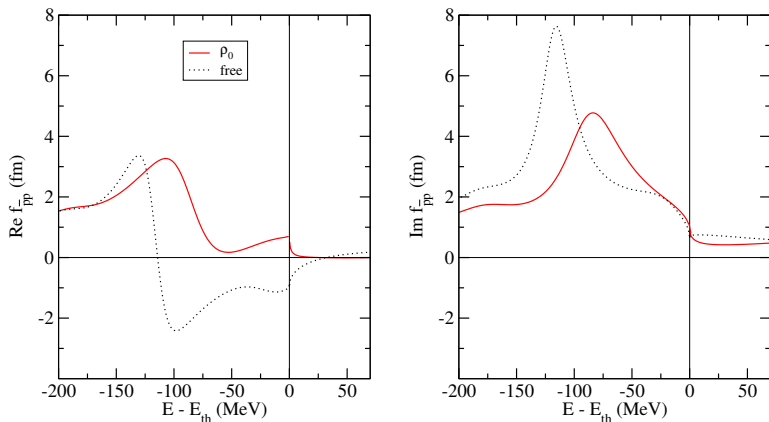


Fig.1: Energy dependence of the Paris 09 $\bar{p}p$ S-wave amplitudes: Pauli blocked amplitude for $\rho_0 = 0.17 \text{ fm}^{-3}$ (solid lines) compared with free-space amplitude (dotted lines).

In-medium Paris S-wave amplitudes

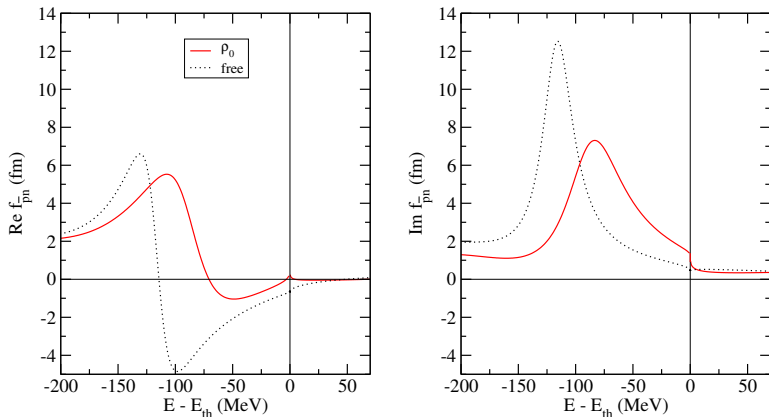


Fig.2: Energy dependence of the Paris 09 $\bar{p}n$ S-wave amplitudes: Pauli blocked amplitude for $\rho_0 = 0.17 \text{ fm}^{-3}$ (solid lines) compared with free-space amplitude (dotted lines).

Previous calculations – RMF approach

- Nucleons – Dirac fields interacting via the exchange of meson fields
- Dirac equation for nucleons and **antiproton**

$$[-i\vec{\alpha}\vec{\nabla} + \beta(m_j + S_j) + V_j]\psi_j^\alpha = \epsilon_j^\alpha \psi_j^\alpha, \quad j = N, \bar{p},$$

$$S = g_{\sigma j}\sigma, \quad V_j = g_{\omega j}\omega_0 + g_{\rho j}\rho_0\tau_3 + e_j \frac{1 + \tau_3}{2} A_0,$$

- Klein-Gordon equations for meson fields

$$\begin{aligned} (-\Delta + m_\sigma^2)\sigma &= -g_{\sigma N}\rho S - g_{\sigma \bar{p}}\rho S \bar{p} \\ (-\Delta + m_\omega^2)\omega_0 &= g_{\omega N}\rho V + g_{\omega \bar{p}}\rho V \bar{p} \\ (-\Delta + m_\rho^2)\rho_0 &= g_{\rho N}\rho I + g_{\rho \bar{p}}\rho I \bar{p} \\ -\Delta A_0 &= e\rho_p + e_{\bar{p}}\rho \bar{p}. \end{aligned}$$

\bar{p} -nucleus interaction

- $NN \rightarrow \bar{N}N$ interaction – **G-parity** transformation $\hat{G} = \hat{C}e^{i\pi I_2}$

$$g_{\sigma\bar{p}} = g_{\sigma N}, \quad g_{\omega\bar{p}} = -g_{\omega N}, \quad g_{\rho\bar{p}} = g_{\rho N}$$

- G-parity valid for the long and medium range $\bar{N}N$ potential
→ **750 MeV deep \bar{p} potential** in the nucleus
- Nuclear medium + short range interactions – possible deviations from the G-parity
- **Antiprotonic atoms** and **\bar{p} scattering** off nuclei at low energies
→ **$\text{Re}V_{\bar{p}} \sim 100 - 300 \text{ MeV deep}$**
- Reduced \bar{p} coupling constants

$$g_{\sigma\bar{p}} = \xi g_{\sigma N}, \quad g_{\omega\bar{p}} = -\xi g_{\omega N}, \quad g_{\rho\bar{p}} = \xi g_{\rho N},$$

where parameter $\xi = 0.2 - 0.3$

\bar{p} absorption

- \bar{p} -nucleus potential:

$$\text{Re} V_{\bar{p}} = \xi V_{\text{RMF}}$$

$$\text{Im} V_{\bar{p}} = \sum_{\text{channel}} f_s(\sqrt{s}) B_r \text{Im} b_0 \rho$$

$$\xi = 0.2, \text{Im} b_0 = 1.9 \text{ fm}$$

- $\sqrt{s} = m_{\bar{p}} + m_N - B_{\bar{p}} - B_N$

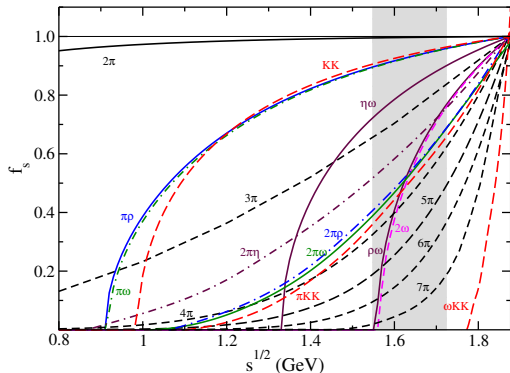


Fig.3: The phase space suppression factor f_s as a function of the center-of-mass energy \sqrt{s} .

Energy dependence

- $\bar{p}N$ Paris amplitudes — functions of energy shift $\delta\sqrt{s} = \sqrt{s} - E_{th}$
 $(s = (E_N + E_{\bar{p}})^2 - (\vec{p}_N + \vec{p}_{\bar{p}})^2)$
- CMS frame $\rightarrow \sqrt{s} = m_{\bar{p}} + m_N - B_{\bar{p}} - B_N$ (M)
- \bar{p} absorption in a nucleus $\rightarrow \vec{p}_N + \vec{p}_{\bar{p}} \neq 0$
(A. Cieplý, E. Friedman, A. Gal, D. Gazda, J. Mareš, PLB 702, 402 (2011))

$$\sqrt{s} = E_{th} \left(1 - \frac{2(B_{\bar{p}} + B_{Nav})}{E_{th}} + \frac{(B_{\bar{p}} + B_{Nav})^2}{E_{th}^2} - \frac{1}{E_{th}} T_{\bar{p}} - \frac{1}{E_{th}} T_{Nav} \right)^{1/2}, \quad (J)$$

$$T_{Nav} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_N^{(*)}} \Delta, \text{ where } m_N^* = m_N - S_N$$

$$T_{\bar{p}} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_{\bar{p}}^{(*)}} \Delta, \text{ where } m_{\bar{p}}^* = m_{\bar{p}} - \text{Re}V_{opt}$$

Energy dependence of the \bar{p} potential

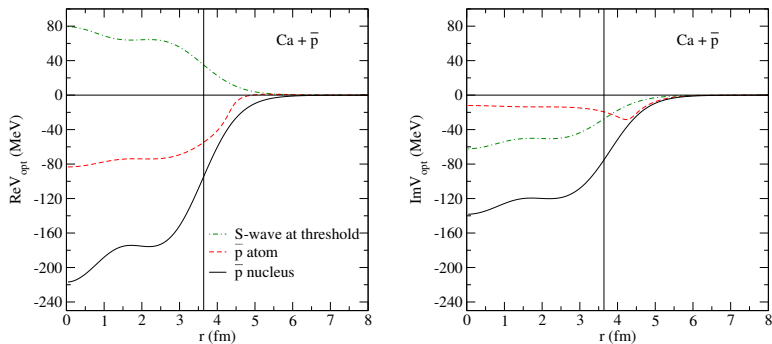


Fig.4: The potential felt by \bar{p} at threshold, in the \bar{p} atom and in the \bar{p} nucleus, calculated for $^{40}\text{Ca} + \bar{p}$ with Paris S-wave amplitudes and static RMF densities.

S-wave Paris potential

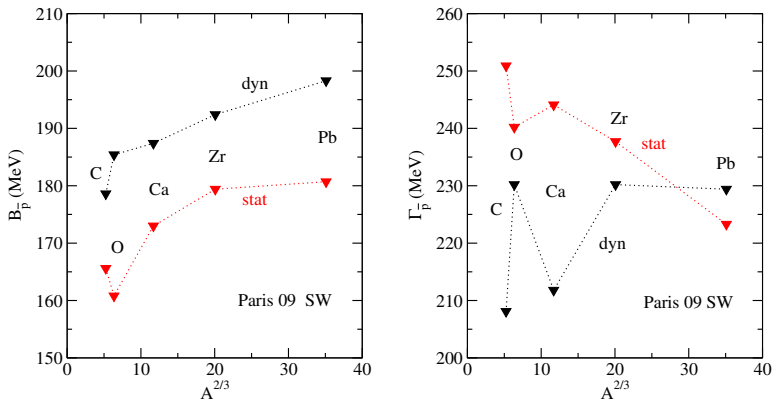


Fig.5: $1s \bar{p}$ binding energies $B_{\bar{p}}$ (left) and widths $\Gamma_{\bar{p}}$ (right) in various nuclei, calculated statically (red) and dynamically (black) with S -wave Paris amplitudes and $\sqrt{s} = J_r$.

S-wave Paris potential

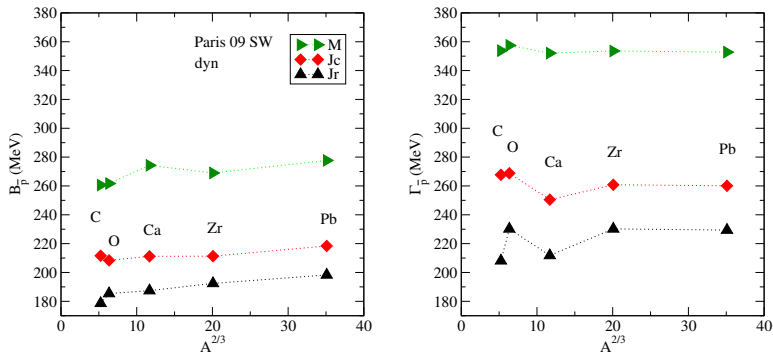


Fig.6: $1s \bar{p}$ binding energies $B_{\bar{p}}$ (left) and widths $\Gamma_{\bar{p}}$ (right) in various nuclei, calculated dynamically with S-wave Paris amplitudes and different forms of \sqrt{s} .

S-wave Paris potential vs. phenomenological potential

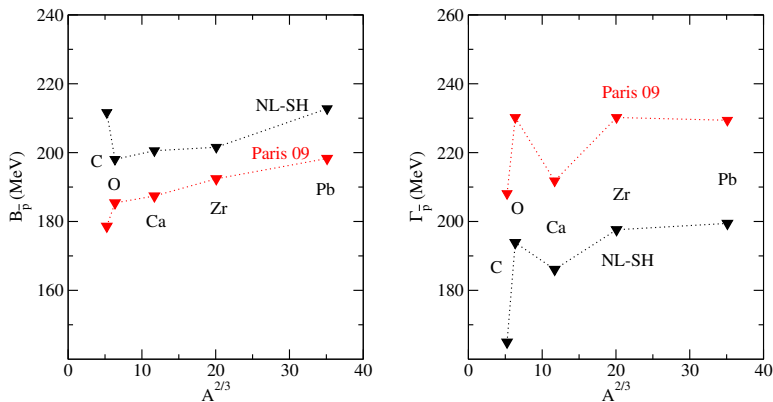


Fig.7: Binding energies (left panel) and widths (right panel) of $1s \bar{p}$ -nuclear states in selected nuclei, calculated dynamically for $\sqrt{s} = J_r$ using the Paris $\bar{N}N$ S-wave potential (red) and phenomenological approach within the RMF model NL-SH (black).

S-wave Paris potential vs. phenomenological potential

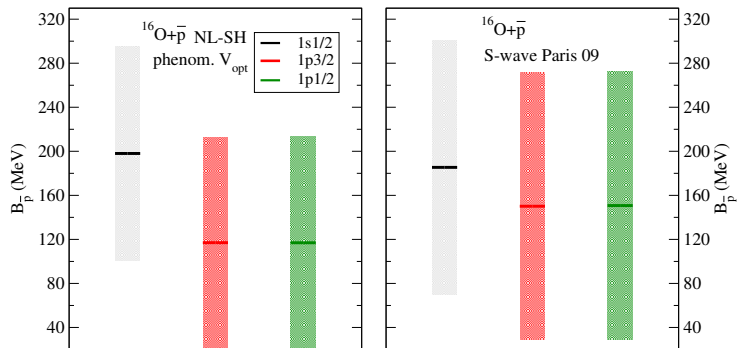


Fig.8: $1s$ and $1p$ binding energies (lines) and widths (boxes) of \bar{p} in ^{16}O calculated dynamically within the NL-SH model for $\sqrt{s} = J r$ with phenomenological \bar{p} optical potential (left) and S-wave Paris potential (right).

P -wave interaction

- The P -wave potential

$$2E_{\bar{p}}V_{\text{opt}} = q(r) + 3\vec{\nabla} \cdot \alpha(r)\vec{\nabla}$$

where

$$\alpha(r) = 4\pi \frac{m_N}{\sqrt{s}} \left(f_{p\bar{p}}^P(\delta\sqrt{s})\rho_p + f_{n\bar{p}}^P(\delta\sqrt{s})\rho_n \right)$$

- $S + P$ -wave Paris potential does not fit the \bar{p} atom data
- S -wave Paris potential + phenomenological P -wave yield satisfactory agreement with the atom data
(*E. Friedman, A. Gal, B. Loiseau, S. Wycech, NPA 934 (2015) 101*)

Paris P-wave amplitudes

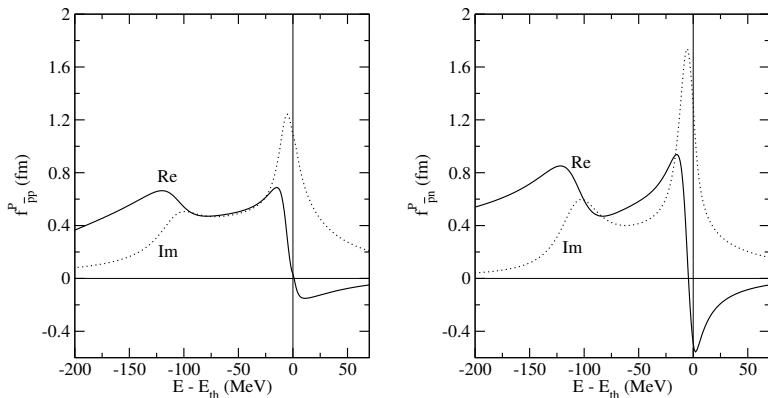


Fig.3: Energy dependence of the Paris 09 $\bar{p}p$ (left) and $\bar{p}n$ (right) P-wave free-space amplitudes.

P-wave interaction

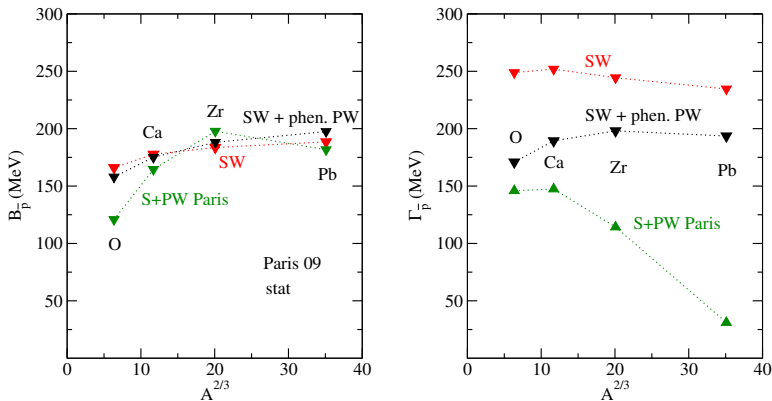


Fig.9: $1s \bar{p}$ binding energies (left) and widths (right) in various nuclei, calculated statically with phenomenological P -wave potential (black), Paris P -wave potential (green) compared with only the Paris S -wave potential (red) for $\sqrt{s} = Jc$.

P -wave interaction

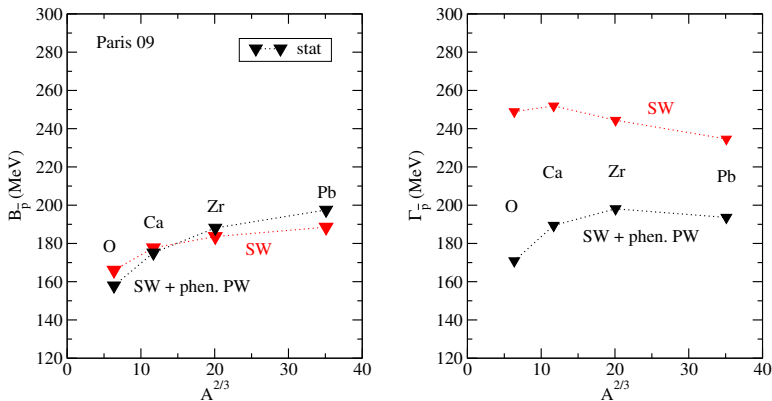


Fig.10: $1s \bar{p}$ binding energies (left) and widths (right) in various nuclei, calculated statically with phenomenological P -wave potential (black) compared with only the Paris S -wave potential (red) for $\sqrt{s} = Jc$.

P -wave interaction

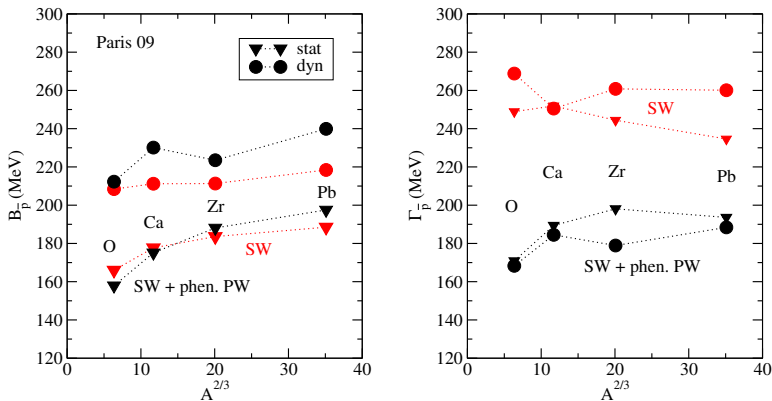


Fig.10: $1s \bar{p}$ binding energies (left) and widths (right) in various nuclei, calculated statically and dynamically with phenomenological P -wave potential (black) compared with only the Paris S-wave potential (red) for $\sqrt{s} = Jc$.

Conclusions

- calculations of \bar{p} quasi-bound states in various nuclei with the Paris 09 $\bar{N}N$ potential
- the \bar{p} potential is strongly energy dependent
- the S -wave Paris potential
 - yield comparable binding energies and larger corresponding widths than the phenomenological approach within the RMF model
(*J. Hrtankova, J. Mares, NPA 945 (2016) 197*)
 - dynamical effects are not so pronounced $\sim 25\%$
- the P -wave interaction considered — Paris vs. phenomenological
 - Paris P -wave interaction yields too small widths in heavy nuclei
(also fails to reproduce \bar{p} atom data)
 - phenomenological P -wave interaction slightly increases the \bar{p} binding energies and decrease the \bar{p} widths
 - the \bar{p} widths are still sizable

Thank you for your attention!

