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Nuclear response to electromagnetic probes: toward spectroscopically accurate many-body theory

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I will present selected results on nuclear giant and pygmy resonances at zero and finite temperatures, based on recent advancements in nuclear many-body theory [1-6]. The theory will be compactly introduced in the most general quantum field theory formalism with only the bare fermionic interaction input. A special focus will be placed on the emergent scale of the quasiparticle-vibration coupling (qPVC) with the order parameter associated with the qPVC vertex. An efficient treatment of the nuclear many-body problem is thus organized around the qPVC hierarchy, which takes over the power counting, dominating the bare nucleon-nucleon interaction and few-body systems [1-3].

Self-consistent solutions of the relativistic Bethe-Salpeter-Dyson equation (BSDE) for the nuclear response function in medium-heavy nuclei will be presented and discussed. In this formulation, the dynamical interaction kernel of the BSDE is the source of the richness of the nuclear wave functions in terms of their con guration complexity and the major ingredient for an accurate description with quanti ed uncertainties. Low-multipolarity resonances in calcium, nickel, and tin mass regions will be analyzed in the context of the role of high-complexity configurations in reproducing spectral data [2,3,7]. Finite-temperature theory and implementations will be discussed in light of their astrophysical relevance [4-6]. Finally, I will outline the prospect of the quantum equation of motion to generate complex configurations, based on the example of the solvable Lipkin Hamiltonian [3].

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