

Spectrum of kaonic atom and kaon-nucleus interaction revisited

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1.Kaonic atom and Strong interaction

Motivation

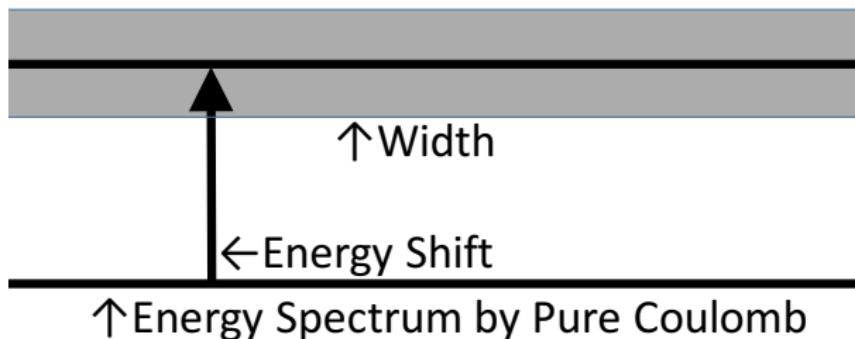
K^- -nucleus interaction is

- the fundamental information of hadron physics
(K is one of NG bosons)

Kaonic atom spectrum → K^- -nucleus interaction

Kaonic atom

- Kaonic atom is a bound system of K^- and nucleus mainly by Coulomb interaction
i.e. The orbital electron is replaced by K^-
- K^- interacts strongly with nucleus → EM + **strong**
- The strong interaction provides **energy shift** from pure Coulomb spectrum
- Nuclear absorption provides **decay width**



Phenomenological potential by Friedman, Gal and Batty¹

- global fit with all data
- 4 model ($t_{\text{eff}}\rho$, Infl., Comp, Nominal)
- $t_{\text{eff}}\rho$ model is linear in nuclear density :

$$V_{\text{opt}}(r) = -\frac{4\pi}{2\mu} \left(1 + \frac{\mu}{m_N}\right) (\mathbf{0.69} + \mathbf{0.94}i) \rho(r)$$

$$\text{Re } V_{\text{opt}}(0) \sim -80 \text{ MeV}, \text{Im } V_{\text{opt}}(0) \sim -110 \text{ MeV}$$

- Nominal model is famous "deep" potential including non-linear term :

$$V_{\text{opt}}(r) = -\frac{4\pi}{2\mu} \left(1 + \frac{\mu}{m_N}\right) \left[(-\mathbf{0.15} + \mathbf{0.62}i) + (\mathbf{1.63} - \mathbf{0.01}i) \left(\frac{\rho(r)}{\rho(0)}\right)^{\mathbf{0.21}} \right] \rho(r)$$

$$\text{Re } V_{\text{opt}}(0) \sim -180 \text{ MeV}, \text{Im } V_{\text{opt}}(0) \sim -70 \text{ MeV}$$

¹E. Friedman, A. Gal, C.J. Batty, Nucl. Phys. A579(1994)518-538

Aim of this study

- Puzzle :
 - The energy shift is found to be **repulsive** in all kaonic atoms
 - But the $K^- N$ interaction is known to be **attractive**
 - How do we understand the inconsistency between $K^- A$ and $K^- N$?
- Possible solutions of this puzzle :
 1. **Attractive** strong interaction provides **Bound state (nuclear state)**.
It repels the atomic states upwards (**level repulsion**)
 2. **Large imaginary part of optical potential** works as **repulsively**.
- Purpose : Which solution is realized in actual kaonic atom ?

2.Formulation

Klein-Gordon equation

$$\left[-\left\{ \mu - B.E. - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma - V_c(r) \right\}^2 - \frac{d^2}{dr^2} + \frac{l(l+1)}{r^2} + \mu^2 + 2\mu V_{\text{opt}}(r) \right] rR(r) = 0$$

$V_c(r)$: finite Coulomb potential \rightarrow EM interaction

$2\mu V_{\text{opt}}(r)$: self energy \rightarrow Strong interaction

$K^- A$ strong interaction linear potential

$$V_{\text{opt}}(r) = (V_0 + iW_0) \frac{\rho_N(r)}{\rho_0} = (V_0 + iW_0) \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{r-R_B}{a}\right)}$$

V_0, W_0 : parameters fitted by datum for each kaonic atom

$W_0 < 0$ because of nuclear absorption

assume : potential is proportional to ρ_N

and $V_0 < 0$ because $K^- N$ interaction is attractive

Our approach

We study strong potential in the following 2 steps :

1. determine potential parameters so as to reproduce one experimental datum for each kaonic atom

$$\text{Datum } (\Delta E, \Gamma) \xrightarrow[\text{each nucleus}]{\text{input}} \text{KG eq} \xrightarrow{\text{output}} \text{Parameter}(V_0, W_0)$$

2. confirm whether these potentials describe the data of other kaonic atoms

check universality : potential fitted by Cu \rightarrow Co, Ni

1 : determine potential parameters

Potential is not determined uniquely.

→ We find 3 potentials which provide same datum ($0 < -V_0, -W_0 < 500$ MeV)

These potentials have different features from each other.

Potentials for kaonic Cu atom (last orbit : 4f)

using datum ($\Delta E, \Gamma$) = (0.240 keV, 1.65 keV)

nucleus	ℓ	potential	$-V_0$ [MeV]	$-W_0$ [MeV]	feature
Cu	3	pot 1	79.5	114.5	large $\text{Im } V_{\text{opt}}$
		pot 2	78.5	20.0	small $\text{Im } V_{\text{opt}}$
		pot 3	199.5	28.5	deep $\text{Re } V_{\text{opt}}$, small $\text{Im } V_{\text{opt}}$

How about wave functions of kaonic atom using these potentials ?

Wave function of kaonic atom

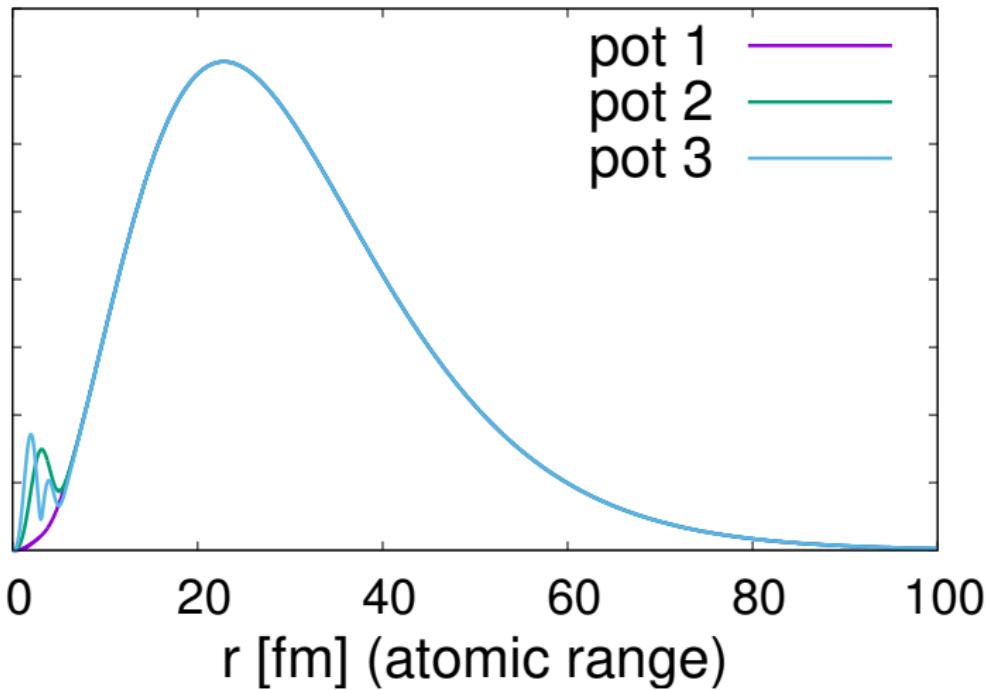


Figure 1: wave functions of Cu kaonic atom

Wave functions are **similar** to one another in atomic range ($r = 10 \sim 100$ fm)

Wave function of kaonic atom

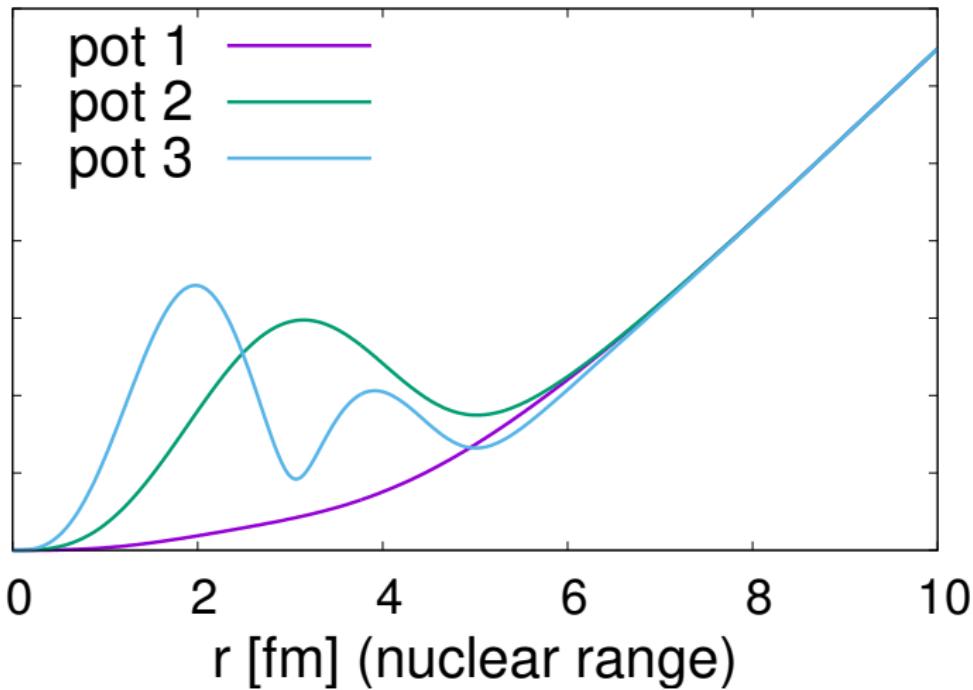


Figure 2: wave functions of Cu kaonic atom

Wave functions are **different** in nuclear range ($r = 0 \sim 10$ fm)

The number of nodes(nuclear states) is different

Nuclear state which has same angular momentum (Cu , $l = 3$)

- Potential 1 provides no nuclear states ($l = 3$)
- Potential 2 provides a nuclear state ($l = 3$):
 $-B.E. - i\Gamma/2 = (-5.8 - i22.4/2) \text{ MeV} \rightarrow \text{level repulsion}$
- Potential 3 provides 2 nuclear states ($l = 3$):
 $-B.E. - i\Gamma/2 = (-102.5 - i57.0/2) \text{ MeV} \text{ (ground state)}$
 $-B.E. - i\Gamma/2 = (-17.65 - i32.0/2) \text{ MeV} \rightarrow \text{level repulsion}$

Large Im part (Potential 1)

We find that potentials of other kaonic atoms have similar feature

last orbit : 3d	pot 1	
nucleus(Z,A)	$-V_0$ [MeV]	$-W_0$ [MeV]
Mg	24.5	79.0
Al	46.0	126.0
Si	61.5	120.5
P	67.0	142.0
S	79.0	142.0
Cl	79.0	142.0

last orbit : 4f	pot 1	
nucleus(Z,A)	$-V_0$ [MeV]	$-W_0$ [MeV]
Co	28.5	91.0
Ni	79.0	164.0
Cu	79.5	114.5
Cu ²⁺	23.5	134.0

Potentials 1 have large imaginary part.

²another experimental datum of Cu

Small Im part (Potential 2)

We find that potentials of other kaonic atoms have similar feature

last orbit : 3d	pot 2	
nucleus(Z,A)	$-V_0$ [MeV]	$-W_0$ [MeV]
Mg	128.5	24.0
Al	126.0	28.0
Si	116.5	31.0
P	100.5	26.5
S	93.0	27.0
Cl	84.0	26.5

last orbit : 4f	pot 2	
nucleus(Z,A)	$-V_0$ [MeV]	$-W_0$ [MeV]
Co	93.5	17.5
Ni	82.5	16.0
Cu	78.5	20.0
Cu2	82.5	14.5

Potentials 2 have small imaginary part.

Deep Re part, small Im part(Potential 3)

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last orbit : 3d	pot 3	
nucleus(Z,A)	$-V_0$ [MeV]	$-W_0$ [MeV]
Mg	305.0	24.5
Al	316.0	32.5
Si	301.0	35.5
P	270.0	36.5
S	258.0	38.5
Cl	231.0	38.5

last orbit : 4f	pot 3	
nucleus(Z,A)	$-V_0$ [MeV]	$-W_0$ [MeV]
Co	215.5	19.5
Ni	203.5	27.0
Cu	199.5	28.5
Cu2	197.0	20.0

Potentials 3 have deep real part and small imaginary part.

2 : confirm universality of potentials

Potentials fitted by Si

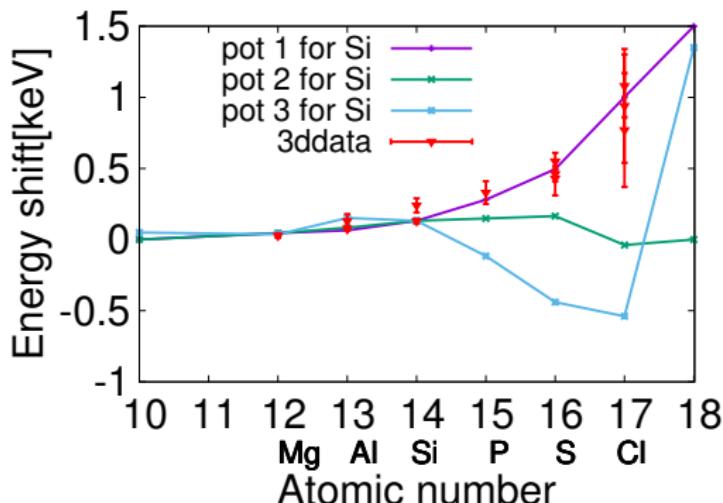
datum (E shift, Γ) = (0.130 keV, 0.800 keV)

($-V_0$ [MeV], $-W_0$ [MeV]) = (61.5, 120.5), (116.5, 31.0), (301.0, 35.5)

Pot 1

Pot 2

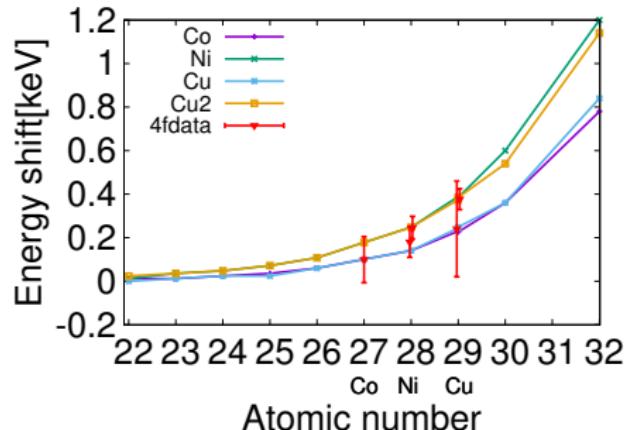
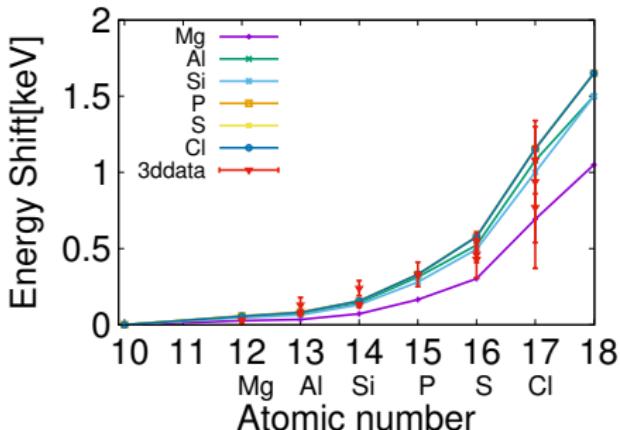
Pot 3



It seems that potential 1 is best of 3 potentials.

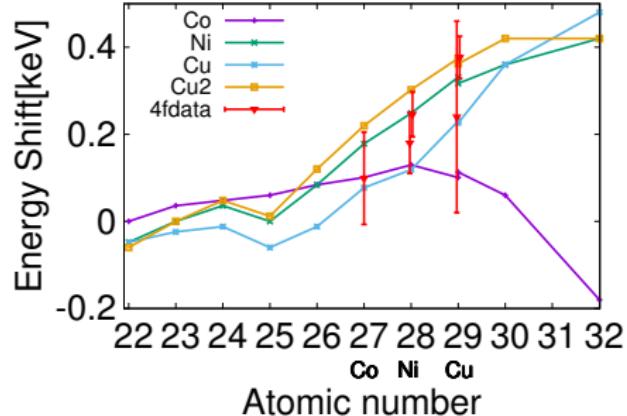
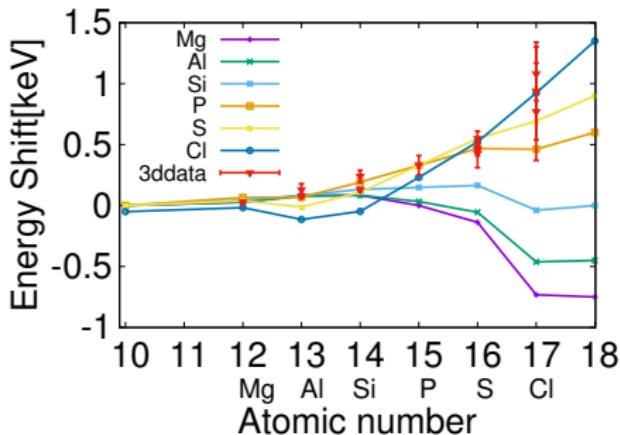
→ How about potentials fitted by other kaonic atoms ?

Large Im part (Potential 1)



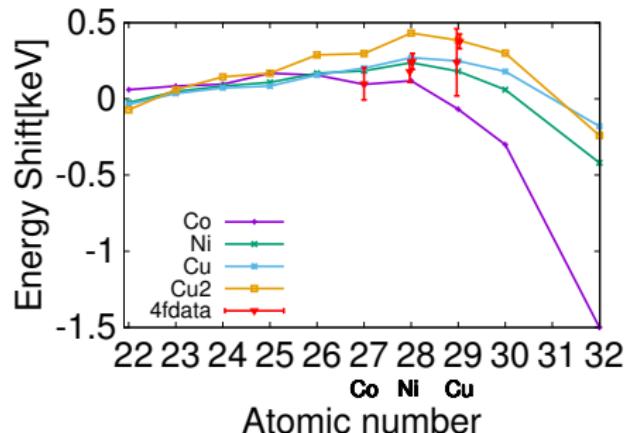
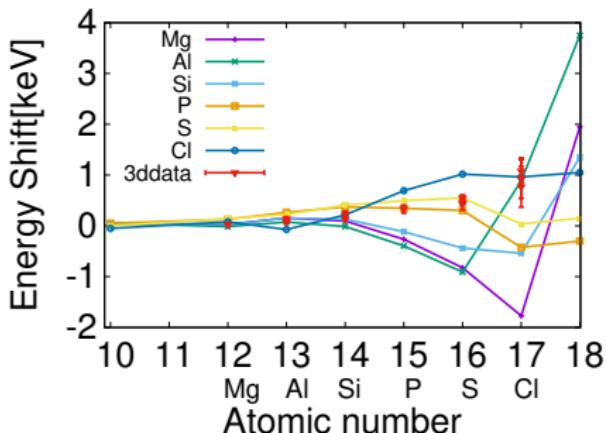
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Small Im part (Potential 2)



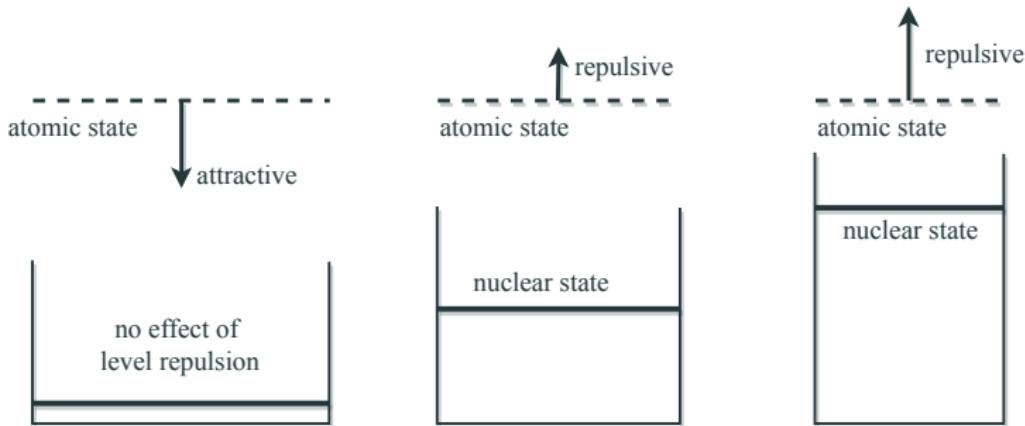
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Deep Re part, small Im part(Potential 3)



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Why do not potentials 2 and 3 work well ?



Potentials 2 and 3 provide nuclear state (NS) and repulsive shift in atomic state (AS) is provided by level repulsion of NS.
AS is sensitive to energy spectrum of NS.

Energy spectrum of NS depends on potential size, which is proportional to mass number A .

→ Potential fitted by one kaonic atom does not necessarily provide repulsive shifts in other kaonic atoms

summary - 1

- Potential 1 (large $\text{Im } V_{\text{opt}}$) **globally explains** the data and provides repulsive shifts in all kaonic atoms.
 - **large imaginary potential $\text{Im } V_{\text{opt}}$ works well !**
- It is **hard to explain** repulsive shifts universally using **Potentials 2 and 3 (small $\text{Im } V_{\text{opt}}$)**.

summary - 2

Puzzle

- The energy shift is found to be **repulsive** in all kaonic atoms
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Answer

- **Imaginary part plays an important role in K^- -nucleus potential**
- × Bound state provided by **attractive** strong interaction (nuclear state), which repels the atomic states upwards (**level repulsion**) : potential 2, 3
- **Imaginary potential $\text{Im } V_{\text{opt}}$, which works as repulsive interaction : potential 1**

outlook

Nominal type potential includes non-linear term.

→ We are studying an effect of non-linear term.

Imaginary part of nominal type potential is large :

$$\text{Im } V_{\text{opt}}(0) \sim -70 \text{ MeV}$$

→ It seems that imaginary part plays essential role for repulsive shifts in kaonic atoms like $t_{\text{eff}}\rho$ (potential 1).

Large Im part (Potential 1)

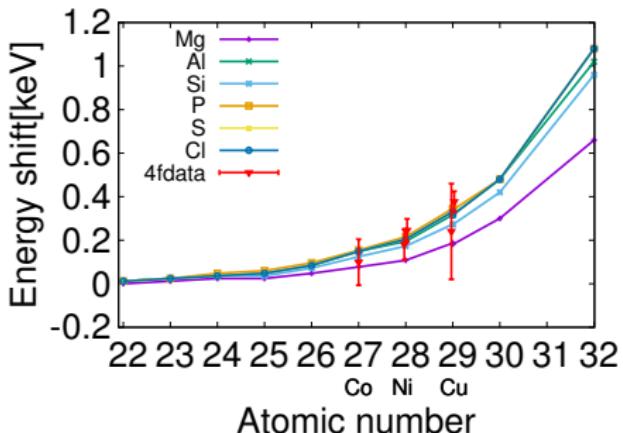


Figure 3: potentials fitted by $l.o = 3d$ are applied to $l.o = 4f$

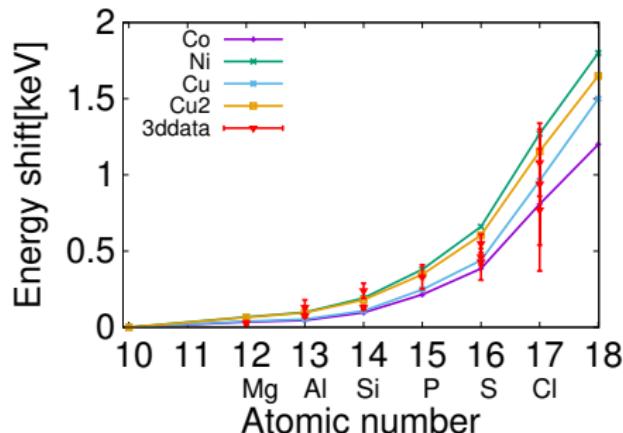


Figure 4: potentials fitted by $l.o = 4f$ are applied to $l.o = 3d$

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Small Im part (Potential 2)

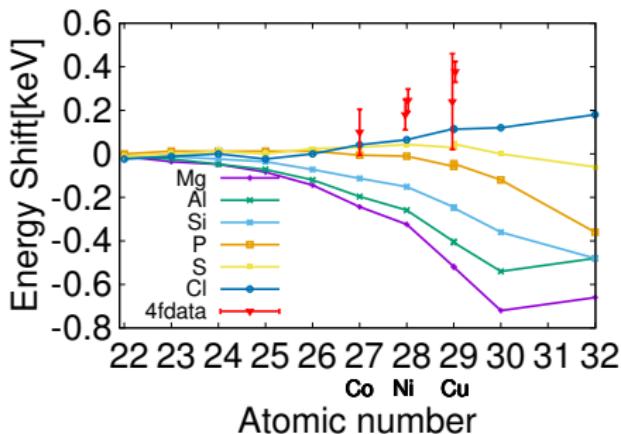


Figure 5: potentials fitted by $l.o = 3d$ are applied to $l.o = 4f$

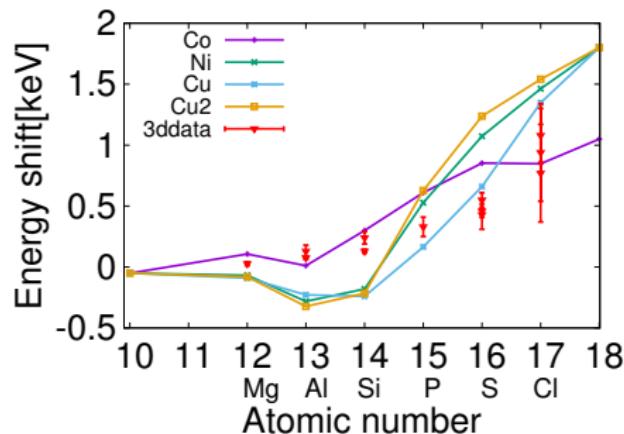


Figure 6: potentials fitted by $l.o = 4f$ are applied to $l.o = 3d$

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Deep Re part, small Im part(Potential 3)

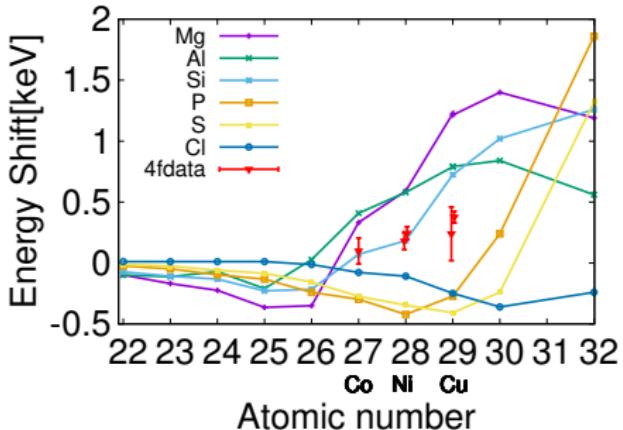


Figure 7: potentials fitted by $l.o = 3d$ are applied to $l.o = 4f$

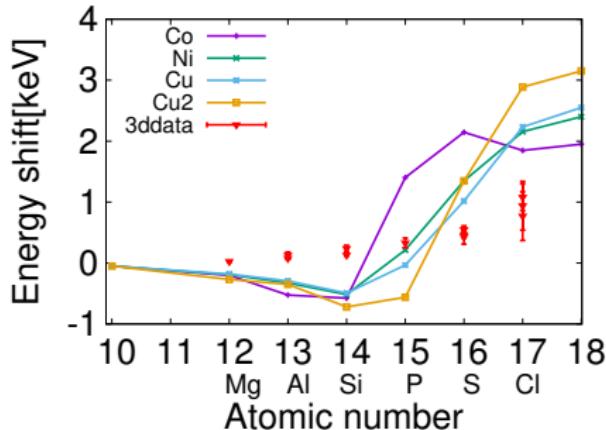


Figure 8: potentials fitted by $l.o = 4f$ are applied to $l.o = 3d$

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