NUCLEAR Structure at the limits: exploring the structure of nuclei with modern gamma ray detectors

2 MeV VdG

Exp Halls

7 MV VdG

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Studies of exotic nuclei

 All the aspects of nuclear interactions in the nuclear structure are amplified at the driplines. A. BONACCOTSO

New structure and new phenomena

- Neutron halos,
- Neutron skins
- Covalent bond molecular states
- Soft mode of collective motion
- Change of magic numbers
- New development of nuclear models
 - Green function montecarlo
 - Anti-symmetrised molecular dynamics
 - No-core shell model
 - Cluster montecarlo
 - Relativistic mean field



Reduction of spin-orbit potential



The Properties of Nuclei with Extreme N/Z-Ratios

Single-particle (or shell) structure is the basis of many nuclear properties such as (sub)magic number, deformation, and even the existence of the nucleus.

Weakening of the spin-orbit force due to the diffuse nuclear surface?



DDRH Field Calculations by F.Hofmann, C.M.Keil, H.Lenske, Phys.Rev.C64(01)034314.



It affects the element formation in r-process: Quenching of shell-structure? Pfeiffer et al., Z. Phys. A357 (1997) 235

Disappearance of Shell Structure?

The Properties of Nuclei with Extreme N/Z-Ratios

 Basic nuclear properties of rare isotopes (e.g., masses, half-lives, ...) determine element formation in the cosmos



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Disappearance of Shell Structure?

"Single particle" orbitals are dressed even in semi-magic nuclei



The single-particle levels in exotic nuclei can be affected by Loose binding Woods-Saxon potential Neutron skin Mean-Field models

Nucleon-Nucleon interaction, particularly, spin-isospin interactions such as tensor and 2-body *LS* interactions

(also in nuclei not very close to drip lines)

Shell Evolution (change of single-particle levels)

T. Otsuka et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 87, 082502 (2001)

Systematic variation of proton effective single-particle energies due to the tensor interaction ($\pi + \rho$ meson)



T. Otsuka et al. PRL 95, 232502 (2005)

Deep inelastic reactions - a tool for nuclear spectroscopy



Optical elements

• Quadrupole: a singlet, focuses vertically the ions towards the dispersion plane

• **Dipole:** bends horizontally the ions with respect to their magnetic rigidity (Br)



PRISMA detectors



PRISMA: Large acceptance tracking Magnetic Spectrometer Q-D

$$\begin{split} \Omega &= 80 \text{ msr} \\ \Delta Z/Z &\approx 1/60 \text{ (Measured)} \\ \Delta A/A &\approx 1/190 \text{ (Measured) TOF} \\ \text{Energy acceptance } \pm 20\% \\ \text{B}\rho &= 1.2 \text{ T.m} \end{split}$$

γ-spectroscopy of neutron rich nuclei Mass distribution of 505 MeV ⁸²Se + ²³⁸U







Zr84	Tr85	Tr86	Z187	Ir 88	Zr89	Zr90	Zr91	Zr92
0+	7/24	0+	(972)+	0+	9724	0+	5/2+	0+
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proton neutron

The N=51 isotones

Monopole shift of the single particle levels

Downward shift of the $\upsilon g_{7/2}$ in proton rich N=51 isotones as $\pi g_{9/2}$ is filled



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Differential RDDS with CLARA-PRISMA

800

⁶⁴Ni at 400MeV on ²⁰⁸Pb 1mg/cm² Degrader: ²⁴Mg 2mg/cm² 150,50μm



Average v/c after reaction 8.8% and after degrader 7.1%

> Product Energies ~4MeV.A

Results for 150µm Target-Degrader Distance



known value 8.0(15) ps

B(E2)=0.018 e²b² (13 W.u.)

sign of "longer" lifetime in ⁶²Fe

B(E2)~0.012 e²b² (8 W.u.)

Grazing reactions

N-rich heavy projectiles allow to use transfer reactions as a ΔN - ΔZ filter for driving the multi-nucleon transfer flux to exotic regions



Neutron rich RIBs: a tool for very neutron rich nuclei



Coupled channel calculations (Grazing). G. Pollarolo

Future perspective: beams of heavy ions or neutron-rich radioactive beams

Very neutron deficient nuclei: proton-neutron Superfluidity in N=Z Nuclei

<u>A new superfluid phase of nuclear matter</u> <u>based on p-n pairing is expected at N=Z</u>



Energy Differences in Isobaric Multiplets

;_= ± 1/2 Mirror Nuclei



Exchange Neutrons for protons



Study the energy displacement of excited states (*MED*)

$$MED = \left(E_x^J\right)_{T_z = -1/2} - \left(E_x^J\right)_{T_z = 1/2}$$

- > Nucleon alignment at the backbending
- > Evolution of the radii along a rot. band

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- Isospin non-conserving terms
- Further Coulomb effects
- Configuration of states
- Isospin mixing
- > Coupling to GR
- > Induced IS terms
- Coupling to the continuum



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T=1 Isobaric Triplets Mn 25 50 26 26 **T=0** T = 1Study the energy displacement of excited states (TED) 54 NI 27 52(Co 54**C**C $\operatorname{TED}_{J}^{(exp)} = E_{J}(T_{z} = 1) + E_{J}(T_{z} = -1) - 2E_{J}(T_{z} = 0)$ ⁵⁴Fe 26⁵⁰Fe ⁵¹Fe ⁵⁷fe 25> Nucleon alignment at the backbending ⁵⁰Mn ⁵¹Mn 48Mn 52Mn 53Mn > Evolution of the radii along a rot. band 50**Cr** 24 ⁴⁶Cr 47Cr 49 C.r. 51(r 52(r Isospin non-conserving terms 23 46 49{} 44{} 48{} 50{} 51{} > Further Coulomb effects ⁴⁶Ti 47Ti 48Ti 49Ti 50Ti Configuration of states 22 43**Ti** 49 Ti > Isospin mixing 21 <mark>⁴¹Sc ⁴²Sc ⁴³Sc</mark> ⁴⁴Sc ⁴⁵Sc ⁴⁶Sc ⁴⁷Sc ⁴⁸Sc ⁴⁹Sc > Coupling to GR <mark>41Ca</mark> 42Ca</mark> 43Ca 44Ca 45Ca 46Ca 47Ca 48Ca 20 Induced IS terms 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 $28 \rightarrow N$ > Coupling to the continuum Neutron N=Z Line number

Energy Differences in Isobaric Multiplets

Differences \rightarrow Coulomb effects Multipole effects dominate:

- Angular-momentum coupling of pairs of protons
- Changes in alignment \rightarrow changes in spatial correlation
- 100 keV "alignment" effect typical



P.E.Garrett et al. Phys Rev Lett **87**(2001)132502 **S.M.Lenzi et al.** Phys. Rev. Lett. **87**(2001)122501 **C.D.O'Leary et al.** Phys. Lett. B 525(2002)49

Isospin Mixing in Mirror Pairs

In the validity of ¹⁾ *Charge invariance* of the *nuclear interaction* isospin symmetry ²) *Long-wavelength approximation*

B(E1) strengths are identical in T=1/2 mirror pairs



Isospin mixing via the IVGMR provides an induced isoscalar component

In mirror $\Delta T=0$ transitions

- Isovector terms have opposite sign
- Isoscalar terms have equal sign

 $B(E1) = B^{IS}(E1) - B^{IV}(E1)$ $B(E1) = B^{IS}(E1) + B^{IV}(E1)$

J. Ekman et al. PRL 92, 132502 (2004)

Further Coulomb effects: the e.m. spin-orbit

The electromagnetic spin-orbit coupling results from the Larmor precession of the nucleons in the nuclear electric field due to their intrinsic magnetic moments and to the Thomas precession experienced by a proton because of its charge.



It is important when a nucleon is promoted from a j=l-s level to a j=l+s level. The effect on a proton is opposite to the effect on a neutron orbit It is proportional to the difference of proton and neutron occupation numbers.

Electromagnetic spin orbit term

J. Ekman et al. PRL 92, 132502 (2004)

Single-particle shifts: Electromagnetic S-O effect

Electromagnetic spin-orbit effect is configuration dependent.

$$W_{so}^{N} = (g_{s} - g_{l}) \frac{e}{2m_{N}^{2}c^{2}} \left\langle \frac{1}{r} \frac{dV_{c}(r)}{dr} \right\rangle \left\langle l \cdot s \right\rangle$$

Nolen & Schiffer, Ann. Rev. Nuc. Sci, 1969

• given by.



It is sensitive to the proton and neutron content of the wave-function



J.Ekman et al PRL 92(2004)132502



The heaviest T=1/2 mirror pair: A=67





G. de Angelis et al., Proceedings of ENAM 2001

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M. Bemtley, FINUSTAR 05

А	J,T	lower	higher	"theo"(keV)	exp(keV)
31	9/2,1/2	S _{1/2}	f _{7/2}	-117	-125
31	13/2,1/2	S _{1/2}	f _{7/2}	-117	-247
35	13/2,1/2	d _{3/2}	f _{7/2}	-233	-320
39	13/2,1/2	d _{3/2}	f _{7/2}	-233	-314
47	3/2,1/2	d _{3/2}	f _{7/2}	232	212
48	1,1	d _{3/2}	f _{7/2}	232	174
48	4,1	d _{3/2}	f _{7/2}	232	170
61	5/2,1/2	p _{3/2}	f _{5/2}	194	147

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Simultaneous occupation of the same orbital by protons and neutrons



P+QQ Hamiltonian + T=0 monopole field

M. Hasegawa et al. / Physics Letters B 617 (2005) 150-156

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odd nucleus

v = 0.51

⁶⁷ As	$\langle n^{\pi}_{a} \rangle$				$\langle n_a^ u angle$				Q
	$p_{3/2}$	$f_{5/2}$	$p_{1/2}$	<i>8</i> 9/2	p _{3/2}	f _{5/2}	$p_{1/2}$	89/2	
$1/2^{-}_{1}$	1.99	2.15	0.72	0.15	2.33	2.30	1.19	0.17	1.1
$3/2_1^{-}$	2.17	2.12	0.54	0.17	2.48	2.60	0.73	0.19	23.9
$5/2_1^{-}$	2.06	2.13	0.68	0.13	2.36	2.74	0.74	0.17	-13.8
$7/2_1^{-}$	2.04	2.19	0.62	0.15	2.36	2.78	0.68	0.18	-24.2
$7/2_2^{-}$	2.16	1.66	1.00	0.18	2.33	2.35	1.12	0.20	-1.5
$9/2_{1}^{+}$	1.69	1.93	0.65	0.73	2.26	2.43	0.81	0.51 🔫	-57.9
$13/2^+_1$	1.78	1.88	0.62	0.72	2.22	2.62	0.63	0.53	-57.8
$11/2^+_1$	1.75	1.77	0.75	0.73	2.19	2.34	0.88	0.59	-51.6
$15/2^{+}_{1}$	1.85	1.90	0.61	0.64	2.14	2.52	0.66	0.69	-56.4

 $n^{\pi} = 0.73$

M. Hasegawa et al., PLB 617 150 (2005)

Admixture of ⁶⁶Ge * $\pi g_{9/2}$ and ⁶⁶As * $\nu g_{9/2}$ Unique property of N=Z Using the calculated wave function $Wso(^{67}Se^{-67}As) = 20 \text{ keV}$ Nuclear structure at the limits: High spin behaviour

Spontaneous formation of chirality in rotating nuclei ?



What is Chirality?

"I call any geometrical figure, or group of points, chiral, and say it has chirality, if its image in a plane mirror, ideally realized, cannot be brought to coincide with itself." - Lord Kelvin 1904

Chirality via coupling of three angular momenta: odd-odd nuclei in the A~130 region



S. Frauendorf and J. Meng, Nucl. Phys. A 617 131 (1997); V. Dimitrov et. al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 84 5732 (2000).

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V. I. Dimitrov et al, PRL 84 (2000) 5732



¹³⁴Pr

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¹³⁴Pr : a case of chiral rotator ?



Systematics of partner bands in odd-odd A~130 nuclei



EM properties of chiral geometry



 $|I+\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|IL\rangle + |IR\rangle)$

 $|I-\rangle = \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}(|IL\rangle - |IR\rangle)$

TME identical for the two bands

 $\langle IL \mid E2 \mid IR \rangle \approx 0$ $\langle IL \mid M1 \mid IR \rangle \approx 0$

$$\begin{split} B(EM;I_i+\to I_f+) &\approx B(EM;I_i-\to I_f-)\\ B(EM;I_i+\to I_f-) &\approx B(EM;I_i-\to I_f+) \end{split}$$



Calculated transition rates for πh_{11/2}νh_{11/2} p-h configuration in triaxial odd-odd nuclei



Lifetime measurements by RDDS in ¹³⁴Pr

The Köln Plunger



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Lifetime measurements by RDDS and DSAM in ¹³⁴

Measurement of level lifetimes in the picosecond range

- measure matrix elements between nuclear wave functions
- direct measure of quadrupole moments (deformation)
- very important observable in nuclear structure















Experiment



Triaxial Vibrator



















Exp. B(M1) NO staggering

Chirality predicts: B(M1) staggering

Good agreement with IBFFM

Incompatible with the predictions of static chirality!





Intermediate step \rightarrow Exogam, Miniball, SeGa : optimized for Doppler correction at low γ -multiplicitiy

The AGATA-PRISMA setup

The AGATA demonstrator



CLARA vs. AGATA demonstrator



Efficiency at 1MeV: ~2.6%
Peak/Total: ~40%
Angles covered: from 102° to 180°
FWHM, β~10%, 1MeV: 7 to 10 keV



Efficiency at 1MeV: ~6% at 14cm
Peak/Total: ~50%
Angles covered: from ~135° to 180°
FWHM, β~10%, 1MeV: <4 keV

Ex. Lifetime measurements by multinucleon transfer and Differential Plunger method

CLARA

AGATA



At v/c ~ 10% lifetimes in the range 1 to 10ps can be measured with target-degrader distances ranging from 30 to 400 μm

⁶⁰Fe – simulation based on existing experimental data

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1400

1200

100

600

800

Perspectives: New ion injector: Beams up to ²³⁸U. Up-grading of the SC cavities: Beam intensities up to 100 pnA



ALPI Output with the two Injectors



Mid-term RNB Facility Based on a <u>40 MeV Proton</u> <u>Driver</u> and on the <u>Multi-</u> <u>Slice Direct Target Concept</u>

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The Multi-Slice Direct Target Concept



Evolution of the DT Approach



Cs 138÷143

Ba 139÷142

La 142÷144

- Total of 1200 hours operation with 10-12 µA of 42 MeV protons
- More than 120 different radioactive beams extracted
- 400 W deposited in target (power density is 97 W/g, as LNL-project)

Some ISOL facilities towards EURISOL

	Pri bea	mary am	P on target	Target	Fissions/s
ISOLDE	р	1 GeV 2 μΑ	0.4 KW	Direct onto U Convert.	~5x10 ¹²
HRIBF	р	40 MeV 10 μA	0.4 KW	DT	~5x10 ¹¹
TRIUMF	р	450 MeV	25 KW	DT (metal)	(Spallation)
EXCYTE	¹² C	45 AMeV	0.4 KW	DT	1.5x10 ^{4 8} Li beam
SPIRAL2	d	40 MeV 5 mA	200 KW	Converter	~10 ¹³
SPES-DT	р	40 MeV 0.2 mA	8 KW	DT - Multislice	~10 ¹³



PI Injector PIAVE

Reaccelerator RFQ

700m

RF Service Area

XTU-Tandem

Target & Mass Separation area

40 MeV 0.2 mA Driver

Summary

- Multi-nucleon transfer reactions using stable heavy beams are a powerful spectroscopic tool for neutron-rich nuclei. Future perspectives are based on high intensity beams of stable ions or neutron-rich RIBs
- Proton-rich nuclei are an efficient observatory for a direct insight into nuclear structure properties
- Electromagnetic properties at high spin are an essential t e s t f o r n e w s y m m e t r i e s
- New techniques and powerful Ge detectors based on gamma ray tracking are needed to realize such goal