

High-resolution γ-ray spectroscopy at the Legnaro National Laboratories



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for the GALILEO collaboration

High-resolution y-ray spectroscopy







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SPES Cyclotron (2016)

Stable Beams at LNL Legnaro:



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Current array: GALILEO

- 25 HPGe CS detectors
- Angles: $90^{\circ}/60^{\circ}$, 152° , 129° , 119°
- at 22.5cm; ϵ ~2.4% at 1332.5 keV
- FWHM at 1332.5 keV < 2.4 keV
- Trigger-less mode
- Typical operational rate ${\sim}20~kHz/det$
- Common clock synchronization
- Local data processing

10 GALILEO triples



New triple cluster out of the EUROBALL capsules.

Decay-spectroscopy campaign

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Galileo Phase 2 (very soon), Tripple Clusters



- Physics program driven configuration: 10 GTC backward angles
- Efficiency ~7.5%, PT~60%

Galileo γ -ray spectrometer

Galileo Galilei lived and worked in Padova 1592-1610





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GALILEO digital electronics



- → HPGe, AC, Ancillary digitized
- → Branches are sync by GTS
- → Trigger-less operation
- → 240 channels available (<u>112 for EUCLIDES</u>)
- → Typical rate ~ 20 kHz/det
- → Max rate ~ 50 kHz/det



SPIDER/TRACE use the same infrastructure



EUCLIDES

Light Charger particle Si-ball array

- Channel selection
- Enhanced resolving power of GALILEO
- Correction for Doppler Effect
- 80% of angular coverage
- ϵ(α)~40%*; ϵ(p)~60%*
- Plunger configuration
- 3 out of 4 experimet rely on EUCLIDES

* reaction-dependent

D. Testov, D. Mengoni, A. Goasduff et al., Eur. Phys. J. A (2019) 55 47

- Telescope technique (ΔE -E and ...PSA)
- 40 Δ E-E telescopes pent and hex shape
- Thickness 150 μ m (Δ E) 1000 μ m (E) area \sim 10 cm²
- Lab resolution 50 keV (ΔE) 25 keV (E)
- Trigger less operation
- New compact electronics

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 5 the most forward positioned telescopes are segmented in 4 sectors each: higher count rate, better correction for Doppler Effects





EUCLIDES Si-ball detector





Full kinematic reconstruction





Neutron Wall

- Enhanced resolving power of GALILEO
- liquid scintillator (BC501A) ${\sim}150$ liters
- Number of detectors: 45
- Mounted at 0° (forward hemisphere)
- Target to detector face distance: 51 cm.25% of angular coverage
- Probability to miss-interpret γ -ray as a neutron: $\leq 10^{-3}$

Credits: Grzegorz Jaworski A. Lonardi, Master thesis (2015)

Neutron Wall



- Three types of signals for each of them: QVC, TOF, ZCO
- Preselected neutron condition provided to the trigger
- VME/Digital electronics, depending on the channel availability

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Science campaign



¹²C(45 MeV) + ²⁴Mg Boso, Testov, Lenzi, Recchia et al MED in mirror nuclei A=31







Large nuclear V_{B} contribution in the *fp* shell nuclei. In the *sd*? High-spin states in mirror 31P and 31S B(E1) strength via lifetime J>13/2 states not yet observed in 31S

Under analysis, but higher spins already visible.



... On mass A=23, A.Boso et al., PRL 121 (2018) 032502 MA Bentley and SM Lenzi, Progr.Part. and Nuc.Phys. 59 (2007) 497

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³¹P - Gated on 1266 - 2148 - 3040 keV

Spectroscopy³¹S and ³¹P

- Corrections of spin-parity assignment from previous works
- Systematics of transitions and levels known previously

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Shell model calculations

- MED description A=31 for high spin states $\pi+$ and $\pi-$
- USD interaction for $\pi +$
- First description of MED in the cross-shell excitation, A=31, 35
- Breaking the ²⁸Si core allows reliable description of A=31, 35 MED values π (a few particles in sdfp)
- V_b terms includes all the orbitals from the valence space $(s_{1/2}d_{3/2}f_{7/2}p_{3/2})$

reproduce MED

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32S+ 28Si → GDR in 60Zn S.Ceruti, G.Gosta, F.Camera et al

ISOSPIN mixing

- Coulomb interaction breaks the isospin symmetry⇒ Isospin Mixing
- E1 transitions (as Giant Dipole Resonance decay) in N=Z nuclei are sensitive to the degree of mixing
- Isospin mixing decreases as the excitation energy increases
- Comparison of yield of GDR in a N=Z nucleus to the one of N>Z allow to extract the isospinmixing probability







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The experiment



- Tuning of the statistical model: Study of residual nuclei (GALILEO+EUCLIDES)
- Zn-60 data are reproduced by using a standard statistical model
- GDR strength in 60Zn, clearly inhibited Evidence of E1 selection rule How much?? Isospin Mixing



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BE2 strengths around Sn-100

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Many-body quantal systems



P. Doornenbal et al. Phys. Rev. C 90, 061302(R) (2014)



58Ni@250MeV+58Ni → (116Ba)* D.Testov, S.Bakes et al.



- Tracking the change in deformation of Sn by looking at Sb (9/2+ states)
- Known lifetime in 109Sb and 112Te as reference measurement
- Analysis on the state of interest in 109Sb and 110Te. New states in 110Te already measured.

C. Müller-Gatermann at al., NIMA 920, (2019) 95.

D. Testov et al., EPJA 55, (2019) 47

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Resolving power



A closer look to tellurium



lifetime of 2+ state

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Symmetry conserving configuration mixing calculations (SCCM) based on the Gogny D1S energy density functional axial quadrupole and octupole degrees of freedom



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SPES facility

Second generation ISOL facility: pure and intense beams

 $10^{\rm 13}~{\rm fissions/s}$

UCx Target (... + not fissile also foreseen)

SPES facility



Cutting-edge detection system



Expected more than $1\pi \rightarrow$ more than 10% eff in singles

AGATA+PRISMA Configuration





Zero degree Configuration

High-resolution y-ray spectroscopy

Cutting-edge detection system









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- Intensive stable beams provided by LNL Legnaro accelerators have triggered intensive research of nuclear structure using GASP, EUROBALL, CLARA, AGATA and GALILEO arrays
- $\bullet\,$ GALILEO (Phase I) consists of 25 HPGe Compton suppressed detectors $\epsilon\,{\sim}2.4\%\,$ FWHM at < 2.4 keV at 1332.5 keV
- Number of different ancillary detectors (EUCLIDES, [Neutron Wall], TRACE, SPIDER, plunger, RFD) leads to variety of nuclear studies studies: >20 experiments
- Photon efficiency of GALILEO will be enhanced after an update with Tripple clusters (very soon)
- SPES RIBs will further enriched the physics cases at LNL
- In the near future, even more performing setup will be available (AGATA, NEDA, MUGAST, etc)
- Galileo Galilei worked at Padova University from 1592 1610

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TRACE

TRACE: a highly-segmented Silicon detector for light charged particles emitted in fusion evaporation and direct nuclear reactions

Identification of $A{\sim}10$ mass ions at low kinetic energy, by PSA analysis

Experimental setup - TRACE

Eur. Phys. J. A 54 209 (2018)

credits: N. Cieplicka-Oryńczak

Reaction and detection

• To produce low energy Li, Be, B, C fragments we used:

37 Cl beam (186 MeV, 1pnA) + 12 C target (200 µm)

- The nuclei of interest, target-like products (Li, Be, B, C ...) of mass A~10, are scattered at ~ 40° - 60° . The kinetic energy of these products varies from a few MeV to a few tens of MeV.
- Measurements of the energy, position, mass and charge: Pulse Shape Analysis of the signals from the TRACE detector

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Identification matrices



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Figure of merit

Li isotopes: identification possible down to 20 MeV



$$FoM = \frac{C_2 - C_1}{FWHM_1 + FWHM_2}$$

Be isotopes: identification possible down to 29 MeV





Silicon PIe DEtectoR

- M. Rocchini Phys.Scr. 92, 074001 (2017)
- Independent sectors, 8 strips + guard ring
- Detector thickness \sim 300 μ m, dead layers \sim 50 nm in the junction (front) side and \sim 350 nm in the ohmic (rear) side
- Cone configuration (7 sectors) at backward angles: 8.5 cm from the target $\Omega/4\pi = 17.3\%$



Coulomb excitation



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Plunger

C. Müller-Gatermann et al.,

Nucl. Inst.&Meth. A 920 95 (2019)

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