Shape coexistence along Z=82 and the stability of the N=126 shell closure studied using laser ionization spectroscopy

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- Basics of laser spectroscopy
- Shape coexistence in the neutron-deficient mercury isotopes studied with "In Source Laser Spectroscopy"
- Comparison with Mean-Field and with Monte Carlo Shell Model calculations
- "In-gas jet Laser Ionization Spectroscopy": stability of the N=126 shell closure.

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- Outlook with the S3 Low Energy Branch project at GANIL SPIRAL
- Conclusion



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Laser Spectroscopy: basics





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Shape coexistence in heavy nuclei: initial indications



5 Bonn,- PLB 38 (1972), Hannachi,- ZP A370 (1988), Ma,- PLB167 (1986) Janssens,- PLB131 (1983), Cole,- PRL37 (1976) Laser ionization spectroscopy of mercury isotopes

Protons













zed counts (arb. units)

Charge radii of mercury isotopes





DFT – UNEDF1



• Skyrme functional UNEDF1so [1]

 \rightarrow Fine tuned SO and pairing to reproduce No spectroscopy

- Monte-Carlo Shell Model calculation (Y. Tsunoda & T. Otsuka)
 - ¹³²Sn core NN, PP[1], PN [2]
 - eff. ch. π = 1.6e / eff. ch. v = 0.6e / spin quenching = 0.9
 - $\pi: 1g_{7/2} \rightarrow 1i_{13/2}$ (11 proton orbitals) / $v: 1h_{9/2} \rightarrow 1j_{15/2}$ (13 neutron orbitals)



[1] B.A. Brown, Phys. Rev. Lett. 85, 5300 (2000).
[2] T. Otsuka et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 104, 012501 (2010).

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Leuven Isotope Separator On-Line (LISOL) facility: In-Gas Laser Ionization and Spectroscopy of RIBs (IGLIS)



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Production & first laser spectroscopy tests of Ac

¹⁹⁷Au(²⁰Ne-145 MeV,4-5n)^{212,213}Ac ¹⁹⁷Au(²²Ne-143 MeV,4-5n)^{214,215}Ac





K. Blaum et al., Phys. Scr. T152 (2013) 014017

Limitations of in-gas cell laser spectroscopy:

- Pressure shift and broadening
- Doppler broadening
- Ion-gas interactions





In-Gas Jet Laser Ionization Spectroscopy

- stopping in the buffer gas cell
- formation of a gas jet through a 'de Laval' nozzle
- homogenous, low-density, cold get
- transport of the ions in Radio Frequency Ion Guides \rightarrow detection system







R. Ferrer et al, Nature Commun. 8, 14520 doi: 10.1038/ncomms14520 (2017) Yu. Kudryavtsev et al, NIMB61724, (2016) pp. 345-352

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Nuclear Moments of Ac²²⁷†

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The values derived for the moments from the conventional treatment of hfs in intermediate coupling are +1.1 nm and -1.7×10^{-24} cm². The experimental error is believed to be less than 10 percent, but it is difficult to estimate the total error because of the configuration interaction and the large relativity corrections. No correction for closed shell distortion was made.

It is hoped that improved values can be obtained, but meanwhile it appears useful to offer the present results. We should like to acknowledge helpful discussions with Dieter Kurath and R. E. Trees.

Multi-Monfiguration Dirac Fock atomic physics calculations: ²²⁷Ac



Magnetic dipole moments and electical quadrupole moments



- Shell model calc. are in good agreement with experimental quadrupole moments (using atom. physics input) and magnetic dipole moments
- ²⁰⁸Pb good core for shell model predictions (N=126)





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• Planar Laser Induced Fluorescence (PLIF) - technique

→ <u>temperature, velocity and density jet 'maps'</u>







• 'de Laval' nozzle: Mach $5 \rightarrow$ v and T jet 'maps'







IGLIS @ S3LEB - SPIRAL2 - GANIL



S³-LEB general layout





- Shape coexistence in the neutron-deficient mercury isotopes
 - local phenomena
 - Monte Carlo Shell Model calculations: $\pi h_{9/2}$ and $\nu i_{13/2}$ orbitals
- In-gas jet Laser Ionization Spectrosopy
 - stability of the N=126 shell closure
 - improved spectral resolution and efficiency
- Exploration of the N=Z line and the heavy element region with the S3 Low Energy Branch project at GANIL – SPIRAL2



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