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### nuclear physics with TITAN

Precision mass measurements using ion traps for Nuclear Physics

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## outline

- Rare beams at ISAC
- Mass measurements
  - Motivation
  - Ion traps
- Examples:

- Halos
- <sup>20,21</sup>Mg
- Island of Inversion measurements
- N-rich Ca isotopes
- Applications of mass measurements in nuclear-astro

## **ISAC rare isotope facility**



## How to get the rare isotopes... rare beam facilities

#### Isotope Separation On-Line (ISOL)

In-Flight Fragmentation / In-Flight Fission



## **TRIUMF's isotopes**





Photo-fission products using 50 MeV 10 mA electrons on to Hg convertor & UC<sub>x</sub> target.

## **ISAC** rare isotope facility

### **Isotopes delivered at ISAC**

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- The target material determines what isotopes are produced.
- The atoms defuse out of the target essentially at rest.

 $10^{7}$ 

10<sup>5</sup>

The ion source is matched to the ionization energy, can be selective.

### Nuclear physics via atomic mass measurements!



#### Light neutron rich isotopes:

### a special breed: but difficult from an experimental point of few.



### **Ion Traps**



#### a well developed tool to get answers : controlled & robust storage:

#### **Precision and maniulation**





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### Penning Trap: Single ion quantum manipulation



Cyclotron frequency:  $v_c = \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{q}{m} \cdot B$ 

Superposition strong magnetic field weak electrostatic quadrupole field



Mass measurement via the determination of the cyclotron-frequency: **Measurement is done with one ion in the trap,** repeat to scan over frequency range. Total number of ions for mass spectrum ~200.

### Mass determination Time-of-Flight Ion Cyclotron Resonance (TOF-ICR)



G. Gräff et al. Z. Phys. A, 297 (1980)



### **RIUMF**

## Precision and accuracy PT are a widespread mature application



Since PT were developed for ions, they behave the same way for stable or unstable particles! Ideal for systematic test and optimizations

## Verification of performance using stable masses (or standard <sup>12</sup>C)

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# Fast and efficient (but keeping the precision)

$$\nu_{c} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{q}{m} \cdot B \quad \delta m \approx \frac{1}{\nu_{c}} \propto \frac{1}{T_{RF}} \cdot q \cdot B \cdot \sqrt{N}$$

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TOF>[us]

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- Improve precision using different excitation mod Ramsey (gain factor ~2)
- Precision depends on v<sub>c</sub>, boosting the frequency i key.
  - Can be done with higher excitation modes:
    - Octupole excitation: JYFLTRAP, LEBIT, SHIPTRAP: S. Eliseev et al., PRL. 107, 152501 (2011)
  - Using highly charged ions: developed at SMILETRAP, now also for radioactive beams: TITAN : S. Ettenauer et al., PRL 107, 272501 (2011)





## Testing the theory (or provide extra input) stable Li as start: to check precision and accuracy

۴Li	$\Delta$ (keV)	δm/m
AME03	14086.793(15)	3×10 <sup>-9</sup>
SMILETRAP	14086.880(37)	7×10 <sup>-9</sup>
TITAN	14086.890(21)	4×10 <sup>-9</sup>
NEW AME*	14086.881(15)	3×10 <sup>-9</sup>

PHYSICAL REVIEW A, VOLUME 64, 062504

#### Atomic mass of <sup>6</sup>Li using a Penning-ion-trap mass spectrometer

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- TITAN mass measurements for Li-6
- solved conflict with AME (SMILETRAP had found different value than JILA-trap)
- TITAN agrees with SMILETRAP value S. Nagy PRL 96, 163004
- TITAN now most precise value for new AME
- M. Brodeur et al, PRC 80 (2009) 044318

### Lithium halo mass measurements



Fastest measurement due to rapid ion preparation with TITAN.

- TITAN mass measurement of <sup>8,9,11</sup>Li
- Improved precision, S<sub>2n</sub> improved by factor 7
- Shortest-lived isotope (T<sub>1/2</sub>=8.8ms) for Penning trap mass measurement!
- Final analysis  $\delta m = 650 \text{ eV}$
- Agrees with MISTRAL and MAYA, but more precise.
- M. Smith et al PRL 101, 202501 (2008)
  - ─►new charge radius



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### **Charge radius determination**



Isotope shift measurements: ToPLiS (GSI) collaboration @ ISAC measured laser frequency shifts for the Lithium isotopes

G. W. Drake (Windsor) PRL. 100, 243002 (2008) atomic theory calculations for the mass shifts => extract the charge radius

Isotope shift = modification of electron binding energy =Mass Shift (mass effect) + Field shift (finite size of nucleus)



#### **Requirements:**

 Need precision of om ≤ 1 keV for charge radius calculations for atomic physics theory

R. Sánchez *et al.*, PRL 96, 033002 (2006) Nature Physics 2, 145 (2006) W. Nörtershäuers et al., Phys. Rev. C 84, 024307 (2011)

### **®TRIUMF** Mass measurements of helium



## RIVER TITAN harvest for very neutron-rich light isotopes



<sup>6</sup>Li: Brodeur et al, PRC 80 (2009) 044318 <sup>6</sup>He: Brodeur et al, PRL 108, 052504 (2012) <sup>9</sup>Li :Brodeur et al, PRL 108.212501 (2012) <sup>8</sup>He: Ryjkov et al., PRL 101 (2008) 012501 <sup>11</sup>Li: Smith et al., PRL 101 (2008) 202501 <sup>11</sup>Be: Ringle et al., PLB 675 (2009) 170 <sup>12</sup>Be: Ettenauer et al PRC 81, 024314 (2010) AME03: Audi *et. al.*, Nucl. Phys.A 729 (2003) 337

Mass measurements possible due to fastest on-line PT.

Reached highest precision for short-lived isotopes.

Limit of sensitivity ~ 5-10 ions / sec

## Going heavier: A=20,21 Mg



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<b>R</b> TRIUMF	Mass measurements at A=20,21
	Proton rich isotopes
	& some more tricks for clean beams

- Mass measurements of Mg masses Technical difficulty: ISOL production is not selective:
- isobars are co-produced with the isotopes of interest!
- Na, closer to stability, and longer-lived
- much more extracted and delivered to experiment (1.000.000-1 ratio)
- cleaning system required!



## **RIVALE** Tricks for clean beams: Go to the source! Ion Guide Laser Ion Source (IG-LIS)

Repulsion of ions created inside the target (Shifting of target and repeller electrode potentials)

RF quadrupole ion guide for radial confinement of created ions

> Copper heat shield (water cooled)

Element selective laser ionization in cold environment

Laser radiation

### **Performance of the source: IG-LIS**



Background reduction of 6 orders of magnitude!

# Results of the mass measurements possible with the IG-LIS





Clean beam delivered to TITAN Excellent mass measurements possible, only minor background.

### **Results of the mass measurements**



Direct data improved – but also use phenomenological isobaric multiplet mass equation (IMME), improved by TITAN

**NN-only**: over-bound

**NN+3N**: improved agreement with experiment/IMME

Adopted from J.Holt, Menendez, Schwenk, PRL (2013)

Mass values can be described by theory when including 3N forces. A. Gallant et al., submitted to PRL.

### Island of Inversion mass cartography

Name arises from the *pf* orbitals which "intrude" into the *sd* shell

TITAN's campaign of mass measurements:

- Na: A = 29-31
- Mg: A = 30-34
- AI: A = 29-34



A.Chaudhuri et al, accepted in PRC; AAK et al, in preparation; figure from Himpe et al, PLB 658 (2008) 203



### Island of Inversion mass cartography



### Island of Inversion mass cartography Looking at the shell gap...



- ∆<sub>n</sub>(<sup>31</sup>Na) = 1.79(23) MeV
- ∆<sub>n</sub>(<sup>32</sup>Mg) = 1.10(3) MeV<</li>
- $\Delta_n(^{33}AI) = 1.82(7) \text{ MeV}$

lowest known of any magic nuclide

Limited guidance from theory:

- Models tend to overestimate "shell gap" Δ<sub>n</sub> in <sup>32</sup>Mg
- Mean-field models predict shape incorrectly
- Only conventional shell model indicates breaking of N = 20 shell closure but it predicts Δ<sub>n</sub><0</li>
- Out of reach for energy-density functional and *ab-initio* methods?

### Island of Inversion mass cartography: The unusual case of the cross-over.



A.A. Kwiatkowski et al., submitted to PRL



### N-rich Ca isotopes



## Extension of theory approach to heavier isotopes: n-rich Ca



#### Theory with realistic NN interaction & 3N forces:

- substantially different trend for single-particle energies and separation energies
- quenching of N=28 shell gap around A=50-54
- New magic shell closure at

N=32/34?

#### Mass measurement of <sup>51,52</sup>Ca with TITAN

→ confirms theoretical trends

Experiments agrees well with this theory, but also with others (CC-theory PRL 109, 032502).

Further extension to <sup>54</sup>Ca with ISOLTRAP



### **Old Measurements AME11**

A.T. Gallant, PRL 109, 032506 (2012)

Wienholtz et al., Nature (2013) ISOLTRAP/CERN

## **Mass measurements for Astrophysics**

#### • Parameterized r-process model Following C. Freiburghaus et al., AstrophysJ 516, 381 (1999)

 Fluid element (p, n, Y<sub>e</sub>) heated to high temperature 9GK

Undergoes rapid expansion at const. velocity, Y<sub>e</sub>, S

- Model coupled to full reaction network (~5400 nuclei)
- For full range of entropies → isotopic abundance added up





- model inspired by conditions in high entropy winds from neutron stars in core collapse supernovae
- just 2 free parameters!

Solar system r-process abundance from C. Travaglio et al., AstrophysJ 601, 864 (2004)

V.V. Simon et al. PRC 85, 064308 (2012)

P. Hosmer et al., PRC 82, 025806 (2010)

## r-process model calculations

- Include AME03 S<sub>n</sub> values varied either  $3\sigma$  up ('high') or down ('low')
  - found up to  $6\sigma$  deviations in S<sub>n</sub> to AME03
- S=100 component most affected



G. Audi, M. Weng, AME2010,pr. comm. (2010) U. Hager et al., PRL 96, 3 (2006) J. Hakala et al., EPJA 47, 129 (2011)

## outlook



- Extend halo measurements
  - Be, C,...
- Island of Inversion
  - (complete the picture)
- N-rich isotopes (light/medium)
  - F, Ne,..Ar, K, Ca, Sc
- N-rich isotopes (heavier)
  - Cd, In,...<sup>136</sup>Sn...
- In trap decay spectroscopy
  - Double beta decay studies

TITAN is fast (5ms) and sensitive (5-10 ions/s) and has capability to reach high resolution, precision and accuracy.

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