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Welcome to TRIUMF

Workshop on Progress in *Ab Initio* Nuclear Theory TRIUMF, Vancouver, Canada February 28 – March 3, 2023

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Our vision is for Canada to lead in science, discovery, and innovation, improving lives and building a better world.

TRIUMF is Canada's particle accelerator centre.

- We advance isotope science and technology, both fundamental and applied.
- We collaborate across communities and disciplines, from nuclear and particle physics to the life and material sciences.
- We discover and innovate, inspire and educate, creating knowledge and opportunity for all.

Home to ~600 staff and students from 30 countries > 200 students & postdoctoral researchers

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TRIUMF history

500 MeV cyclotron since 1974

- One of the three Meson factories built at the same time – including LAMPF and PSI
- Isotope Separator and ACcelerator (ISAC) since 1995
 - Radioactive ion beam (RIB) facility
 - Driven by 500 MeV protons from cyclotron
- Advanced Rare Isotope Facility (ARIEL) in progress since 2010



Advanced Rare Isotope Facility (ARIEL)

TRIUMF's flagship project

Substantially expands RIB capabilities:

- Simultaneous RIB production from 3 targets
 - 50 kW existing ISAC proton target
 - 50 kW new ARIEL proton target
 - 100 kW new ARIEL electron target
- More beam hours for science
- Multi-user capability with more and new isotopes for
 - Nuclear Physics (Structure, Nucl. Astro, Fund. Sym.)
 - Materials Science, Life Sciences
- Project completion in 2026 with phased implementation, interleaving science with construction

TRIUMF accelerator complex



TRIUME ISAC/ARIEL Experiments



TRIUMF Theory

- First principles or ab initio nuclear theory
 - Input NN+3N interactions from chiral EFT
 - Solving many-nucleon Schrodinger equation
 - Quantum many-body problem
- Unique to TRIUMF nuclear theory:
 - Unified approach to nuclear structure and reactions for light nuclei: No-Core Shell Model with Continuum (NCSMC)
 - Powerful valence-space method for medium mass nuclei: Valence-Space In-Medium Similarity Renormalization Group (VS-IMSRG)
- Large-scale high-performance computation
 - Massively parallel codes
 - Summit@ORNL, Quartz@Livermore Computing, Cedar@Compute Canada



See presentations by Mack Atkinson, Peter Gysbers, Ragnar Stroberg, Michael Gennari (poster), Antoine Belley, Lotta Jokiniemi, Chloe Hebborn

TRIUMF Theory

- Nuclear astrophysics
 - r-process nucleosynthesis
- Particle physics
 - Dark matter physics, collider phenomenology, neutrino physics, particle cosmology, hadronic physics

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{J} &= -\frac{1}{4} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} \\ &+ i \overline{\Psi} \mathcal{D} \Psi \\ &+ \overline{\Psi}_i \mathcal{Y}_{ij} \mathcal{Y}_j \mathcal{D} + h.c. \\ &+ |\mathcal{D}_i \mathcal{D}_i^2 - V(\mathcal{D}) \end{aligned}$$



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TRIUMF's Ion Trap for Atomic & Nuclear science (TITAN)

Scientific goals rely on access to radioactive beams.

- Evolution of nuclear shells away for rare isotopes
- Exotic nuclear structure like halo nuclei
- Nuclear astrophysics and nucleosynthesis
- High-precision tests of the Standard Model

Atomic-physics techniques executed in \geq 5 ms

- High-precision Penning trap mass spectrometry
- Precision mass determinations through Multi-Reflection Time-of-Flight measurements
- In-ion-trap decay spectroscopy





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TRIUMF's Ion Trap for Atomic & Nuclear science (TITAN)

Recent research highlight





- MR-TOF successfully commissioned on-line
- **3** successful RIB experiments
- Verified accuracy w/ Penning trap mass spectrometry
- Investigation of N=32 shell closure in Ti isotopes



Dawning of the N = 32 Shell Closure Seen through Precision Mass Measurements of Neutron-Rich Titanium Isotopes

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IRIS Innovative Rare Isotope reaction Spectroscopy facility

- Rare isotope reaction spectroscopy station
 - Lead by St. Mary's University
 - Commissioned in 2012
- Reactions with a frozen (solid) windowless hydrogen or deuterium target
- Charged particle spectrometer
 - Silicon strip detectors and CsI(TI) detectors



IRIS reaction spectroscopy facility – recent research highlight







TIGRESS: High efficiency and high energy-resolution gamma ray spectrometer

- TRIUMF-ISAC Gamma-Ray Escape Suppressed Spectrometer (TIGRESS)
- Array of 32-fold segmented high-purity germanium (HPGe) gamma-ray detectors
- The ability to determine gamma-ray interaction locations within the TIGRESS detectors enables accurate correction of the measured gamma-ray energies for the Doppler shifts
- Excellent gamma-ray energy resolution
- Very high gamma-ray detection efficiency
- Compton suppression shields from scintillator crystals bismuth germanate (BGO) and cesium iodide (CsI).



To work towards a complete theory of nuclear matter, we study shapes and modes of excitation of exotic nuclei

> To understand heavy element nucleosynthesis, we study reaction and structure properties of exotic nuclei

We study these inner workings of exotic nuclei by measuring de-excitation gamma rays following high energy collisions

TIGRESS: High efficiency and high energy-resolution gamma ray spectrometer

Designed for experiments with exotic nuclei at ~10% speed of light

Research highlights – Nuclear Physics: TIGRESS Standalone Experiment – Coulex of ²³Mg & ²³Na



- Coulomb-excitation measurements of ²³Mg and ²³Na were performed at the TRIUMF-ISAC facility using the TIGRESS spectrometer. They
 were used to determine the E2 matrix elements of mixed E2/M1 transitions.
- Uncertainties from E2 strengths are some of largest in literature. Need to improve precision for better comparison with theory.
- Reduced E2 transition strengths, B(E2), were extracted for ²³Mg and ²³Na. Their precision was improved by factors of approximately 6 for both isotopes, while agreeing within uncertainties with previous measurements.
- Conclusions: A comparison was made with both shell-model and *ab initio* valence-space in-medium similarity renormalization group calculations. Valence-space in-medium similarity renormalization group calculations were found to underpredict the absolute E2 strength, in agreement with previous studies.





DRAGON – Detector of Recoils And Gammas Of Nuclear reactions



The astrophysical origin of ²⁶Al

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^{26m}Al(*p*,γ) nuclear ground states





➔ Need to measure proton capture on excited quantum state of ²⁶Al

> EXTREME EXPERIMENTAL CHALLENGE



DRAGON – Detector of Recoils and Gammas of Nuclear Reactions





- Incoming beam composed of ^{26m}AI, ^{26g}AI, ²⁶Na
- Isomeric component was identified by its associated β+ decay to the ²⁶Mg g.s.

Total beam on target:

- 6.21(2)E+14 incident ²⁶Al g.s. beam ions
- 7.5(2)E+10 incident ^{26m}Al beam ions

Present result for $\omega\gamma$: **E**_{c.m.} = **447 keV resonance** governs the

entire ${}^{26m}AI(p,\gamma)$ stellar reaction rate over the peak temperature

range of classical novae and supernovae

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS

Highlights	Recent	Accepted	Collections	Authors	Referees	Search	Press	About	Staff
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Radiative Capture on Nuclear Isomers: Direct Measurement of the ${}^{26m}\mathrm{Al}(p,\gamma){}^{27}\mathrm{Si}$ Reaction

G. Lotay, A. Lennarz, C. Ruiz, C. Akers, A. A. Chen, G. Christian, D. Connolly, B. Davids, T. Davinson, J. Fallis, D. A. Hutcheon, P. Machule, L. Martin, D. J. Mountford, and A. St. J. Murphy Phys. Rev. Lett. **128**, 042701 – Published 27 January 2022





EMMA: Recoil Mass Spectrometer at ISACII



- EMMA (ElectroMagnetic Mass Analyser) in operation since 2017
- Study of transfer and fusion-evaporation reactions
 - Identify products of reactions by measuring their charge & mass
- 2nd EMMA+TIGRESS RIB experiment
 - 84 MeV ²¹Na RIB bombarded deuterated polyethylene target at 10⁷ s⁻¹
 - EMMA transmitted ²²Na and ²²Mg recoils from (d,p) and (d,n) transfer reactions
 - > 10⁵ recoils detected from a RIB induced reaction, a world record





²²Mg recoil position spectrum (1h of data)



The BeEST Experiment

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Rare-isotope implantation at TRIUMF-ISAC



Beryllium Electron capture in Superconducting Tunnel junctions

BEES

K.G. Leach and S. Friedrich, arXiv:2112.02029 (2021) S. Friedrich et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 126, 021803 (2021) S. Fretwell et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 125, 032701 (2020)



50 µm STAR CRYOELECTRONICS

Ta, Al, and Nb-based STJ Sensors









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High-precision In-situ calibration and characterization



Cooling (<0.1 K) and measurement in ADR at LLNL



First Limits from BeEST Phase-II Data



• Up to an order of magnitude improvement for limits on heavy neutrino admixtures to v_e for masses of 100 – 850 keV

S. Friedrich et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 126, 021803 (2021)

Energy [keV]

Future Radioactive Molecule (RadMol) Laboratory

- Radioactive molecules as novel precision probes for fundamental physics
- Initial physics program:
 - Octuple-deformed nuclei incorporated into polar molecules
 ⇒ unmatched sensitivity for nuclear EDM
 - Access nuclear anapole moments via diatomic molecules
- Provision for expansions into other fields





Future TRIUMF Storage Ring (TRISR)

- TRISR a storage ring for neutron capture on radioactive nuclei
 - Direct measurement in inverse kinematics
 - Coupled to ISAC radioactive beam facility
 - High-flux neutron generator "neutron target" that intersects with orbiting ion beam
 - Nuclear astrophysics applications r-process



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Thank you! Merci!



Discovery, accelerated

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