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Ion traps at rare-isotope-beam facilities

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How can we make high-precision measurements?

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Want
$$\vec{F} = -q \nabla \varphi \propto -\vec{r}$$

& satisfy
$$\Delta \varphi = 0$$

 \Rightarrow find $\varphi \propto \frac{\varphi_0^2}{d^2}(\rho^2 - z^2)$



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H.-J. Kluge Adaptation for **RIB** facilities



TRIUMF's Ion Trap for Atomic and Nuclear science uses 5 traps to prepare & measure RIB.



The buffer-gas-filled linear Paul trap accumulates, cools, & bunches the RIB.

 RadioFrequency Quadrupole → transverse confinement

$$+V_{RF}\cos(\omega_{RF}t)$$
$$-V_{RF}\cos(\omega_{RF}t)$$

 Segmentation → axial trapping



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P.H. Dawson, Quadrupole Mass Spectrometry and its Applications, Elsevier Science, 1976

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2\pi v_{\rm c} = (qe/m) \cdot B
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$$v_{\rm c} = v_+ + v_-$$



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What is special about ³⁴Al and its neighbours?

A brief aside in atomic physics: electrons occupy shells.

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	3	11 Na	12 Mg												13 Al	14 Si	15 P	16 S	17 Cl	18 Ar
	4	19 K	20 Ca		21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr
	5	37 Rb	38 Sr		39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Te	53 I	54 Xe
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www.webofelement.com; A. Bohr & B. Mottleson

Neutrons & protons also occupy shells, which occur at "magic numbers." Quantum ener



Further splitting from spin-orbit Quantum energy effect states of potential well including lg_% angular momentum effects. 1g 50 2p 2p_{3/2} 28 1f722 20 10_{3/0} 2s 1d 2s 1d_{5/2} 1 n

Nuclear shells may evolve as the ratio of Z/N grows more unstable,



causing shells to disappear or new ones to emerge.

The TITAN campaign at N = 20 has measured masses of ²⁹⁻³²Na, ³⁰⁻³⁴Mg, ²⁹⁻³⁵AI (T_{1/2} ≥ 12.9 ms for ³²Na),

Improving precisions (often 10x) and finding deviations for Na & Mg from prior measurements.

A. Chaudhuri et al, PRC 88 (2013) 054317; AAK et al, PRC 92 (2015) 061301; A.T. Gallant, et al, in preparation

TITAN's values indicate the disappearance of the N = 20 shell and large gains in correlation energy.



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Precisions $\delta m/m$ of 10⁻⁷ are routine; can we do better?

Testing the unitarity of the quark-mixing (CKM) matrix needs high-precision measurements.



Figures adapted from https://inspirehep.net/record/1083304/plots; I. Towner & J.C. Hardy, PRC (2010) S. Ettenauer, et al, PRL 107, 272501; A.A. Kwiatkowski, *et al*, AdP (2013); M.P. Reiter, under analysis

How can we purify the beam to the level required for high-precision experiments?





Separation increases with flight path \rightarrow longer path length









MR-TOF demonstrated to be a fast, broadband isobar separator off-line



- Resolving power depends on number of passes or multi-turns
- R ~10⁵ achieved in a few ms for A = 40



C. Jesch, Hyper. Int. 235 (2015) 97; D.A. Short for M.Sc. thesis, SFU

MR-TOF will be used for fast mass measurements.



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What else can be done to boost measurement precision?

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Higher charge states can improve precision or reduce beam time requirements.



$$\frac{\delta m}{m} \propto \frac{m}{q e B T_{RF} \sqrt{N}}$$

N = statistics \rightarrow limited by yield

 T_{RF} = measurement time \rightarrow limited by half life

B = magnetic field \rightarrow limited by technology

q = charge state \rightarrow limited by Z

M.C. Simon, et al, RSI 83 (2012) 02A912

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TITAN's EBIT provides optical access, allowing for in-trap decay spectroscopy.



Small Port



Objective: benchmark $2\beta 2\nu$ nuclear matrix elements

Advantages: no backing material β's directed away from γ detectors trapper techniques/manipulation high purity HCI compatible

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Highly Charged Ions have intrinsic scientific value.





The charge state impacts the decay and consequently nucleosynthesis.

pp-chains describe how to form an α from protons



Ion traps at TITAN are used for

beam preparation

- cooling
- bunching
- charge breeding
- purifying
- in-trap decay and recapture

& precision measurements.

- Penning trap mass spectrometry $\rightarrow N = 20$ shell, testing CKM matrix, nuclear astrophysics
- in-trap decay spectroscopy $\rightarrow 2\nu 2\beta$ problem
- studies of highly charged ions \rightarrow radioactive decay, stellar evolution



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