#### Advanced Kaonic Atom Measurements at DAΦNE collider: The SIDDHARTA-2 experiment and beyond LUCA DE PAOLIS on behalf of the SIDDHARTA-2 collaboration



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## **Kaonic atoms formation**

Kaonic atoms are formed by stopping a negatively charged kaon in a target medium



## **Kaonic atoms formation**

In kaonic atoms, part of the shift ( $\epsilon$ ) and width ( $\Gamma$ ) of the innermost atomic levels is due to the strong kaon-nucleus interaction, thus allowing the study of the strong interaction at low energy (keV) in the *strange* sector.



#### **The SIDDHARTA experiment**

The SIDDHARTA experiment performed the first measurements of shift and width of kaonic hydrogen in 2011 at National Laboratories of Frascati (LNF-INFN).



## **The SIDDHARTA-2 scientific goal**

The SIDDHARTA-2 experiment aims to perform the first measurement of shift and width of kaonic deuterium at the DA $\Phi$ NNE e+e- collider at LNF-INFN.





ISOSPIN-DEPENDENT K-N SCATTERING LENGTHS WILL BE EXPERIMENTALLY DETERMINED

#### **SIDDHARTA-2**

#### SIlicon Drift Detector for Hadronic Atom Research by Timing Applications



CERN, Switzerland

#### LNF *e*<sup>+</sup>*e*<sup>-</sup> Accelerators complex



#### **The DAONE** $e^+e^-$ **Collider**





- $\Phi \to K^- K^+ (48.9\%)$
- Monochromatic low-energy K<sup>-</sup> (~127 MeV/c ;  $\Delta p/p = 0.1\%$ )
- Flux of produced kaons: about 1000/second

### **The SIDDHARTA-2 target**

The cylindric target cell consists of a wall made of a 2-Kapton layer structure (75  $\mu$ m + 75  $\mu$ m + Araldit), placed on aluminum support.



Silicon Drift Detectors (SDDs) are placed 5 mm from the target wall for the x-ray spectroscopy

GASEOUS DEUTERIUM IS FLUXED WITHIN THE TARGET CELL

## **The Silicon Drift Detectors**





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Each array consists of 8 SDD cells with 0.64 cm<sup>2</sup> of active area and 450  $\mu$ m thickness each, which ensures a high collection efficiency for X-rays of energy between 5 keV and 12 keV

## **The Silicon Drift Detectors**



 $cm^2$ 

#### **The Silicon Drift Detectors**







The **Luminosity Monitor** consists of a pair of plastic scintillators read by photomultipliers placed on the longitudinal plane, in front of the interaction region.

The luminosity is measured using the **kaon rates**.

The SIDDHARTA-2 luminosity monitor is complementary to the DA $\Phi$ NE luminosity monitor, which use the Bhabha scattering  $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$ 



The **Kaon Trigger** consists of two pair of plastic scintillators read by photomultipliers placed above and below the Interaction region.

The Kaon Trigger selects kaons emitted almost back-to-back from the decay of the  $\Phi$  meson in the IR and directed towards the target.

A cylindrical vacuum chamber is placed above the interaction point and contains target and SDDs.

SDDs are cooled to 170 K.



The VETO-1 consists of twelve pair of plastic scintillators read by photomultipliers placed around the cryogenic target, outside the vacuum chamber.

The VETO-2 consists of smaller pair of plastic scintillators read by photomultipliers placed around the cryogenic target, inside the vacuum chamber.

The Veto systems are used to suppress the synchronous and asynchronous background from the accelerator, and limit the fake signals due to minimum ionizing particles (MIPs)



# $K^{-4}_{2}He$ measurement with SIDDHARTA2

The SIDDHARTA-2 installation was completed in the second half of 2021. In May 2022 a new measurement of  $K^{-4}_{2}He$  was performed to confirm the great performance shown by SIDDHARTINO, for the SIDDHARTA-2 apparatus.



# **The Kaon Trigger**



The Time of Flight (ToF) is different for Kaons, m(K)~ 500 MeV/c<sup>2</sup> and light particles originating from beam-beam and beam-environment interaction (MIPs).

Can efficiently discriminate by ToF Kaons and MIPs!



#### *K*<sup>-4</sup><sub>2</sub>*He* measurement SIDDHARTINO + SIDDHARTA-2



#### **READY TO START KAONIC DEUTERIUM MEASUREMENT!!!**

The SIDDHARTA-2 collaboration proposes fundamental physics measurements via kaonic atoms, at the strangeness frontier, to be performed at the DAΦNE collider for a 3-years period (beyond-SIDDHARTA-2).

We propose to do precision measurements along the periodic table at DA $\Phi$ NE for:

- Kaonic Hydrogen: 200 pb<sup>-1</sup> with SIDDHARTA-2 setup – to get a precision < 10 eV (KH)</li>
- Selected light kaonic atoms (LHKA)
- Selected intermediate and heavy kaonic atoms charting the periodic table (IMHKA)
- Ultra-High precision measurements of Kaonic Atoms (UHKA)

<u>Fundamental physics at the strangeness</u> <u>frontier at DAΦNE. Outline of a proposal for</u> <u>future measurements</u>, C. Curceanu et al., e-Print: 2104.06076

**EX**tensive Kaonic Atoms research: from LIthium and Beryllium to **UR**anium **EXKALIBUR** antikaon Nucleus

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Except for the most recent measurements at DAFNE and JPARC on KHe and KH, the database on kaonic atoms dates back to 1970s and 1980s

These data are the experimental basis for all the developed theoretical models

These theoretical models are <u>used to derive</u>, for example:

- KN interaction at threshold
- KNN interaction at threshold
- Nuclear density distributions
- Possible existence of kaon condensates
- Kaon mass
- Kaonic atoms cascade models



#### Kaonic atoms present database

Table 1

- The available data on "lower levels" have big uncertainties
- 2. Many of them are actually UNmeasured
- 3. Many of them are hardly compatible among each other
- 4. Relative yields with upper levels are not always measured
- Absolute yields are basically unknown (except for few transitions)
- 6. The REmeasured ones have been proved WRONG

#### This situation would already be a proper justification for new measurements

Compilation of K <sup>-</sup> atomic data						
Nucleus	Transition	e (keV)	Γ (keV)	Y	Γ <sub>4</sub> (eV)	Ref.
He	3→2	$-0.04 \pm 0.03$	-	-	_	[15]
		$-0.035 \pm 0.012$	$0.03 \pm 0.03$	-	-	[16]
Li	3→2	$0.002 \pm 0.026$	$0.055 \pm 0.029$	$0.95 \pm 0.30$	-	[17]
Be	3 → 2	$-0.079 \pm 0.021$	$0.172 \pm 0.58$	$0.25 \pm 0.09$	$0.04 \pm 0.02$	[17]
<sup>10</sup> B	3 → 2	$-0.208 \pm 0.035$	$0.810 \pm 0.100$	-	-	[18]
<sup>11</sup> B	$3 \rightarrow 2$	$-0.167 \pm 0.035$	$0.700 \pm 0.080$	-	-	[18]
С	3→2	$-0.590 \pm 0.080$	$1.730 \pm 0.150$	$0.07 \pm 0.013$	$0.99 \pm 0.20$	[18]
0	$4 \rightarrow 3$	$-0.025 \pm 0.018$	$0.017 \pm 0.014$	-	-	[19]
Mg	$4 \rightarrow 3$	$-0.027 \pm 0.015$	$0.214 \pm 0.015$	$0.78 \pm 0.06$	$0.08 \pm 0.03$	[19]
Al	$4 \rightarrow 3$	$-0.130 \pm 0.050$	$0.490 \pm 0.160$	-	-	[20]
		$-0.076 \pm 0.014$	$0.442 \pm 0.022$	$0.55 \pm 0.03$	$0.30 \pm 0.04$	[19]
Si	$4 \rightarrow 3$	$-0.240 \pm 0.050$	$0.810 \pm 0.120$	-	-	[20]
		$-0.130 \pm 0.015$	$0.800 \pm 0.033$	$0.49 \pm 0.03$	$0.53 \pm 0.06$	[19]
P	$4 \rightarrow 3$	$-0.330 \pm 0.08$	$1.440 \pm 0.120$	$0.26 \pm 0.03$	$1.89 \pm 0.30$	[18]
S	$4 \rightarrow 3$	$-0.550 \pm 0.06$	$2.330 \pm 0.200$	$0.22 \pm 0.02$	$3.10 \pm 0.36$	[18]
		$-0.43 \pm 0.12$	$2.310 \pm 0.170$	-	-	[21]
		$-0.462 \pm 0.054$	1.96 ±0.17	$0.23 \pm 0.03$	$2.9 \pm 0.5$	[19]
Cl	$4 \rightarrow 3$	$-0.770 \pm 0.40$	$3.80 \pm 1.0$	$0.16 \pm 0.04$	5.8 ±1.7	[18]
		$-0.94 \pm 0.40$	3.92 ±0.99	-	-	[22]
		$-1.08 \pm 0.22$	$2.79 \pm 0.25$	-	-	[21]
Co	$5 \rightarrow 4$	$-0.099 \pm 0.106$	0.64 ±0.25	-	-	[19]
Ni	$5 \rightarrow 4$	$-0.180 \pm 0.070$	0.59 ±0.21	$0.30 \pm 0.08$	$5.9 \pm 2.3$	[20]
		$-0.246 \pm 0.052$	$1.23 \pm 0.14$	_	-	[19]
Cu	5 → 4	$-0.240 \pm 0.220$	$1.650 \pm 0.72$	$0.29 \pm 0.11$	$7.0 \pm 3.8$	[20]
		$-0.377 \pm 0.048$	$1.35 \pm 0.17$	$0.36 \pm 0.05$	$5.1 \pm 1.1$	[19]
Ag	$6 \rightarrow 5$	$-0.18 \pm 0.12$	1.54 ±0.58	$0.51 \pm 0.16$	7.3 ±4.7	[19]
Cd	$6 \rightarrow 5$	$-0.40 \pm 0.10$	$2.01 \pm 0.44$	$0.57 \pm 0.11$	$6.2 \pm 2.8$	[19]
In	$6 \rightarrow 5$	$-0.53 \pm 0.15$	2.38 ±0.57	$0.44 \pm 0.08$	$11.4 \pm 3.7$	[19]
Sn	$6 \rightarrow 5$	$-0.41 \pm 0.18$	3.18 ±0.64	$0.39 \pm 0.07$	$15.1 \pm 4.4$	[19]
Ho	$7 \rightarrow 6$	$-0.30 \pm 0.13$	$2.14 \pm 0.31$	-	-	[23]
Yb	<b>7</b> → 6	$-0.12 \pm 0.10$	$2.39 \pm 0.30$	-	-	[23]
Ta	7 → 6	$-0.27 \pm 0.50$	3.76 ±1.15	~	-	[23]
Pb	8 → 7	_	$0.37 \pm 0.15$	$0.79 \pm 0.08$	$4.1 \pm 2.0$	[24]
		$-0.020 \pm 0.012$	-	-	_	[25]
U	$8 \rightarrow 7$	$-0.26 \pm 0.4$	$1.50 \pm 0.75$	$0.35 \pm 0.12$	45 + 24	[24]

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#### **EXKALIBUR: which detector?**



#### **EXKALIBUR:** <u>a proposal for future kaonic atoms measurements at DAΦNE collider</u>

- Kaon mass precision measurement at a level < 7 keV (actually it is 60 keV) with **HPGe**
- Kaonic helium transitions to the 1s level (never measured) with SDD 1mm
- Other light kaonic atoms (K<sup>-</sup>Be, K<sup>-</sup>Li, K<sup>-</sup>B) with SDD 1mm
- Intermediare kaonic atoms (Kaonic Ti, S, Al, C, Ag, V, Zr) with CdZnTe
- Heavier kaonic atoms (Kaonic Pb, W, Co, Au, Pt) with HPGe
- Ultra-High precision measurements of Kaonic Atoms with *Crystal spectrometers (VOXES)*
- Measurement of Nuclear Resonance Effects in Kaonic Molybdenum Isotopes  $\binom{94}{42}Mo, \frac{96}{42}Mo, \frac{98}{42}Mo, \frac{100}{42}Mo$ ) with investigation on nuclear pheriphery changement adding pair of neutrons from the lightest isotope (possible implication in neutrinoless double beta  $(0v\beta\beta)$  decay) with HPGe

#### Various setups in preparation:

- HPGe
- Crystal spectrometers (VOXES)
- CdZnTe detectors
- SIDDHARTA-2 like with SDD 1mm



