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Mass and isotope shift measurements of neutron-rich tungsten isotopes at KISS

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The nuclei around $Z = 72 - 78$ are known as transitional nuclei, exhibiting a multitude of nuclear shapes depending on the neutron and proton numbers (N and Z) [1]. Around $N = 116$, various theoretical calculations predict prolate deformation for lighter isotopes, passing through γ -soft or triaxial shapes, and reaching oblate shapes in heavier isotopes [2,3]. The evolution of their nuclear structure has been investigated through the level structure and properties of β - and K -isomer decays obtained from γ -ray spectroscopy, nuclear electromagnetic moments, and charge radii obtained from laser spectroscopy, mainly for nuclei around the β -stability line and beyond $N = 116$ for osmium ($Z = 76$) and platinum ($Z = 78$). For neutron-rich nuclide around tungsten, fewer experimental results are known due to the difficulty of production.

The KEK Isotope Separation System (KISS) [4] was developed to perform nuclear spectroscopy of heavy neutron-rich isotopes produced by multi-nucleon transfer reactions. We conducted precise mass measurements using a multi-reflection time-of-flight mass spectrograph and isotope shift measurements of neutron-rich tungsten isotopes at KISS to study shape evolution. In this contribution the recent measurement results will be reported.

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