## *Study of neutron rich Si isotopes with ACTAR TPC detector*

## *LISE campaign 2022*







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- *Introduction* ;
- *Physical motivations* ;
- *Experimental setups* ;
- *Status of the data analysis* .

*Introduction*

## **Shell evolution far from the stability**

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- The nuclear structure properties are governed by *the interaction between nucleons*, protons and neutrons.
- Until the 1980s, only nuclear systems close to the stability line were experimentally accessible, therefore theoretical models lacked important information on large isospin (T) values.
- Fusion-evaporation studies on systems farther from stability have challenged the classical theoretical approaches: **magic numbers are not immutable**! [\*]
- Since the 1990s, with the development of *radioactive beam facilities*, detailed studies of exotic nuclei helped to reveal the effects of large isospin values in light systems.
- By experimentally determining the properties of *exotic nuclei* comprehensive theoretical models can be put to essential tests.

Direct measurement of the masses of <sup>11</sup>Li and <sup>26-32</sup>Na with an on-line mass spectrometer  $[\ast]$ 

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The use of an on-line mass spectrometer to make direct mass measurements of short-lived isotopes far from the stability line has been improved to yield more accurate mass measurements for  $27-30$ Na, new mass measurements for  $^{11}Li$ ,  $^{31}$ ,  $^{32}Na$ , and to remove a discrepancy between existing mass measurements of  $^{26}Na$ . The mass excesses (keV) measured are: <sup>11</sup>Li, 40940 ± 80; <sup>26</sup>Na, -6901 ± 25; <sup>27</sup>Na, -5620 ± 60; <sup>28</sup>Na, -1140 ± 80; <sup>29</sup>Na,  $2650 \pm 100$ ; <sup>30</sup>Na, 8370  $\pm$  200; <sup>31</sup>Na, 10600  $\pm$  800; <sup>32</sup>Na, 16400  $\pm$  1100. The <sup>11</sup>Li value indicates that it is bound by only 170 ± 80 keV. The masses of <sup>31</sup>Na and <sup>32</sup>Na imply that these nuclei are more tightly bound than expected from theoretical predictions.

> NUCLEAR STRUCTURE <sup>11</sup>Li, <sup>26-32</sup>Na; measured atomic masses. On-line mass spectrometer. RADIOACTIVITY<sup>11</sup>Li; deduced log/l.

How to extend the chart of nuclides?

G. G. Adamian, N. V. Antonenko, A. Diaz-Torres, S. Heinz; Eur. Phys. J. A (2020) 56:47

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# *Physical motivations*

## **Shell closure indications**

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Evolution of the *N* = 28 shell closure: a test bench for nuclear forces, O Sorlin and M-G Porquet, 2012

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![](_page_8_Figure_1.jpeg)

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#### **Island of inversion and loss of magicity**

![](_page_9_Figure_1.jpeg)

Islands of insight in the nuclear chart; **[B. Alex Brown](https://physics.aps.org/authors/b_alex_brown)**; 2013

#### **Island of inversion and loss of magicity**

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- Gradual **reduction of N=20 shell gap** as one approaches the neutron drip line;
- The configuration for the protons suddenly changing from "closed shell like" in <sup>34</sup>Si to "open shell like" in <sup>32</sup>Mg, which leads to stronger **proton-neutron correlations**.

Islands of insight in the nuclear chart; [B. Alex Brown](https://physics.aps.org/authors/b_alex_brown); 2013

![](_page_11_Figure_0.jpeg)

#### Evolution of nuclear structure (as a function of nucleon number)  $0^+$   $\frac{1}{R_{4/2} < 2}$  $0^+$   $\frac{1}{R_{4/2} < 2}$  $0^+$   $\frac{1}{R_{4/2}} \approx 2.0$  $0^+$   $\frac{1}{R_{4/2}} \approx 2.0$  $R_{4/2} \approx 3.33$ Magic Magic Mid-shell **THE THE R**  $(sph. vib.)$ (ellipsoidal)  $(sph. vib.)$

Evolution of the N=28 shell closure: a test bench for nuclear forces, O. Sorlin, M.-G. Porquet 2012

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Evolution of the N=28 shell closure: a test bench for nuclear forces, O. Sorlin, M.-G. Porquet 2012

#### **Derivation of the Mn/Mp ratio in exotic nuclei**

#### Nuclear excitations

• Multipole 2<sup>+</sup> transition matrix element

$$
M = b_n^F M_n + b_p^F M_p
$$

 $M = \left\langle J_f, T_f, T_{f{\scriptscriptstyle Z}} \left| \left| O^F_L \right| \right| J_i, T_i, T_{iz} \right\rangle$ 

 $M_{n(p)} = \int \rho_{fi}^{n(p)}(r) r^{l-2} dr$ 

The parameters  $b_{n(p)}$  represent the external-field neutron (proton) interaction strengths.

$$
\frac{M_n}{M_p} \sim \frac{N}{Z} \frac{\beta_n}{\beta_p}
$$

- A priori for homogeneous collective model Mn/Mp = N/Z
- **M<sup>p</sup>** can be checked by direct comparison of the microscopic calculations to charge transition densities measured by electron scattering (e,e'), or with COULEX experiments.
- $M_n$  can be determined by  $(p, p')$  scattering.

The ratios of the neutron and proton transition matrix elements (Mn/Mp) were studied for 0<sup>+</sup> -> 2<sup>+</sup> transitions in single-closed-shell (SCS) nuclei by comparing inelastic hadron scattering and electromagnetic transition rates.

![](_page_13_Picture_195.jpeg)

Bernstein, A. M. et al. (1983) Comments Nucl. Part. Phys., 11, 203215 Bernstein, A. M. et al. (1981) Physics Letters B, 103, 255258

## **From the cross section to the Mn/Mp ratio**

From the elastic (p,p) analysis:

• Entrance channel potential;

From the inelastic (p,p') analysis:

• Neutron transition matrix, Mn;

From the COULEX EXCITATION analysis:

Proton transition matrix, Mp;

$$
B(E2, J_i \to J_f) = e^2 \frac{1}{(2J_i + 1)} |M_p|
$$

![](_page_14_Figure_8.jpeg)

Generalized Bernstein Formula

![](_page_14_Figure_10.jpeg)

N Alamanos et al 1998 J.. Inelastic proton scattering and nuclear structure towards the drip lines. Phys. G: Nucl. Part. Phys. 24 1541 C. Jouanne, V. Lapoux, F. Auger, N. Alamanos, A. Drouart, et al.. Structure of low-lying states of 10,11C from proton elastic and inelastic scattering. Physical Review C, 2005, 72, pp.014308.ff10.1103/PhysRevC.72.014308ff. ffin2p3-00024409f

# *Experimental setups*

## "Brochette" setup

![](_page_16_Figure_1.jpeg)

## ACtive TARget Time Projection Chamber setup

![](_page_17_Picture_1.jpeg)

The ACTAR TPC chamber and me during the setup mounting process.

![](_page_17_Picture_3.jpeg)

## PAD plane ACTAR TPC

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ACTAR TPC performance with GET electronics; J. Giovinazzo, J. Pancin, J. Pibernat, T. Roger; 2020

## PAD plane ACTAR TPC

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## Si detectors setup

![](_page_20_Figure_1.jpeg)

## $34,36,38$ Si(p,p')<sup>34,36,38</sup>Si<sup>\*</sup> (Ex 2<sup>+</sup>)

**ACTAR TPC** gas mixture: Isobutane  $(C_4H_{10}) 10\%$  $H_2 90\%$ Pressure  $= 980$  mbar  $Si HV = 50 V$ **ACTAR** settings:  $V_{\text{mesh}}$  = -610 V  $V_{drift}$  = -6000 V  $V_{low}$  = -610 V  $V_{\text{pads}}$  = -90 V

 $TRIGGER = SiOR + SiOL & CFA$ 

#### Event by event information

PAD plane ACTAR TPC Si detectors

![](_page_21_Figure_3.jpeg)

# *Data analysis*

## **Data analysis structure**

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We used a 60 MeV/u  $48$ Ca primary beam with an intensity of 4 $\mu$ A on about 700  $\mu$ m Be target to produce <sup>34,36,38</sup>Si, using the LISE spectrometer.

## **Particle Identification: ∆E-E silicon telescope detectors**

#### E\_Si0R\_cal[0]:E\_Si1R\_cal[0]

![](_page_25_Figure_2.jpeg)

## *Cluster Algorithm*

*Cluster Algorithm steps:*

- Tracks reconstruction: it scans the space and fill a matrix with the pads volume (VOXELS) containing charge;
- Kinematics conditions: the data points are saved as clusters.
- Fit of the clusters.

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#### **RANdom SAmple Consensus**

How the algorithm works:

- SAMPLING : sample a small subset of data points, those points will be treated as inliers.
- MODEL PARAMETERS: evaluation of the model parameters:
- SCORE: check on the points number that support the chosen model.

![](_page_27_Figure_6.jpeg)

**Fit using RANSAC algorithm**

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An example of a *scattering event* from ACTAR TPC. Upper part: projections of the signal in the 3 planes. The z-axis corresponds to the time and it's derived using the electron drift velocities. Bottom part: xy plane projections and the charge deposited along the proton track and along the beam track.

![](_page_28_Picture_172.jpeg)

Run 136: 36Si, 1h measurement. current on CFA 18 nA, VAL = 15 Hz, CFA div =  $1:1x10^4$ 

#### **Beam study using RANSAC RECURSIVE algorithm**

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Example of *pileup event* observed in ACTAR TPC, two beam tracks are seen and only one proton track. The two beam tracks have different time (z axis). The beam track below corresponds to a previous beam ion. The color scale indicates the charge deposit.

![](_page_29_Picture_168.jpeg)

Run 136: 36Si, 1h measurement. current on CFA 18 nA, VAL = 15 Hz, CFA div =  $1:1x10^4$ 

## **A preliminary example using the 34Si data and applying the cluster algorithm**

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#### *PhD students working on LISE campaign 2022 data*

![](_page_31_Picture_1.jpeg)

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#### experiment is the evaluation of the *proton and neutron transition matrices* that cannot be extracted using only one probe.

Conclusions

• The **brochette setup** built in GANIL laboratories was

presented, with focus on the **ACTAR TPC** detection

• The setup allowed us to perform two experiments

with the same beam, in fact the goal of the

• **Data analysis** structure and status;

system;

• Future code **developments and goals** were discussed.

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Probing Different Characteristics of Shell Evolution Driven by Central, Spin-Orbit, and Tensor Forces; Yutaka Utsuno; 2022

#### **Derivation of the Mn/Mp ratio in exotic nuclei**

 $U = U_n + U_p$  $R = R_0 + \delta^F$ 

 $U(R) =$  $U_0$  $1 + e^{r - R_0/a}$  $\Delta U \cong \delta^F U_0$  $4a$ • Woods-Saxon shape for the potential:

• Assumptions: • Optical potential U and transition potential ΔU

$$
U(R) = U(R_0 + \delta^F) = U(R_0) + \Delta U
$$

$$
\delta^F U_0 - \delta_p U_p - \delta_n U_n
$$

 $\delta_n U_n$ 

 $a_n$ 

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$$
\frac{U_n}{U_p} = \frac{Nb_n}{Zb_p}
$$

=

 $a_p$ 

 $\alpha$ 

• Transition 2+ amplitude

$$
M = \left\langle J_f, T_f, T_{fz} \left| \left| O_L^F \right| \right| J_i, T_i, T_{iz} \right\rangle
$$

$$
M = b_n^F M_n + b_p^F M_p
$$

$$
\frac{M_n}{M_p} = \frac{N\beta_n}{Z\beta_p}
$$

$$
\frac{U_n}{U_p} = \frac{\frac{\delta^F a_p}{\delta_p a} - 1}{\frac{\delta_n a_p}{\delta_p a_n} - \frac{\delta^F a_p}{\delta_p a}} \qquad \qquad \longrightarrow \qquad \boxed{\frac{M_n}{M_p} = \frac{b_p}{b_n} \left[ \frac{(\beta_p R)_{pp}}{(\beta_n R)_{em}} \left( 1 + \frac{b_n N}{b_p Z} \right) - 1 \right]}
$$

## ACTAR TPC electronics and signal processing

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## **Beam identification**

E\_CHIO\_E9:GTID

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#### **Beam identification**

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E\_CHIO\_E9:tac\_CFA\_HF {GTID==128 & (GTEN-offsetGTEN<13000)}

## **TTree Level 1 :** RDataFrame - ROOT's DataFrame

*ROOT's RDataFrame offers a modern, high-level interface for analysis of data stored in TTree , CSV and other data formats, in C++ or Python.*

**[RDataFrame](https://root.cern/doc/master/classROOT_1_1RDataFrame.html)** is built with a *modular* and *flexible* workflow in mind, summarised as follows:

- **1. Construct a dataframe objec**t by specifying a dataset. **[RDataFrame](https://root.cern/doc/master/classROOT_1_1RDataFrame.html)** supports **[TTree](https://root.cern/doc/master/classTTree.html)** as well as **[TChain](https://root.cern/doc/master/classTChain.html)**, [CSV files,](https://root.cern/doc/master/df014__CSVDataSource_8C.html) [SQLite files,](https://root.cern/doc/master/df027__SQliteDependencyOverVersion_8C.html) [RNTuples,](https://root.cern/doc/master/structROOT_1_1Experimental_1_1RNTuple.html) and it can be extended to custom data formats.
- **2. Transform** the dataframe by:
	- [Applying filters.](https://root.cern/doc/master/classROOT_1_1RDataFrame.html) This selects only specific rows of the dataset.
	- [Creating custom columns](https://root.cern/doc/master/classROOT_1_1RDataFrame.html). Custom columns can, for example, contain the results of a computation that must be performed for every row of the dataset.
- **3. [Produce results](https://root.cern/doc/master/classROOT_1_1RDataFrame.html)**. *Actions* are used to aggregate data into results.

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![](_page_38_Figure_9.jpeg)

#### **TTree Level 1 :**

#### GLOBAL variables:

- GTID Global Term for ID (linked to Run number);
- GTEN Global Term for Entry Number (linked to the Entry number of each run);
- GTTS Global Term for Time Stamp (linked to the time stamp of each run)

Only one TFile and one TTree for all the runs!

Easy method to overview all the data.

![](_page_39_Figure_7.jpeg)

**Run 23-55: 46Ar – E[41.9,42.6] MeV/u**

#### **Run 34: 46Ar – E[41.9,42.6] MeV/u**

![](_page_40_Figure_2.jpeg)

#### **TTree Level 1 :**

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#### **Multitracks study using RANSAC RECURSIVE algorithm**

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