Status the Canadian Penning Trap Mass Spectrometer





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Outline

- Status of Atomic masses
- The instrument
- Some results
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- Cast of players

Evolution of precision



Precision of masses in AME03



Half-life allowed



Half-life and rate allowed



Overview of the CPT apparatus at ANL



The gas catcher system





The "isotope separator"



$\bullet B = 1 T$

•Cylindrical Penning trap

•Gas filled

•Use ω_c quadrupole excitation to centre, cool and select ions.

•Resolving power ~800

The CPT Spectrometer



Ion motions in a Penning Trap



Three independent eigenmotions in a Penning trap:

- Modified cyclotron motion
- Magnetron motion
- Axial motion



Fig. 1. Runge-Kutta integration of the equations of motion (including a damping force proportional to velocity) in a plane perpendicular to the magnetic field for an ion in a Penning trap. The cross represents the center of the trap, the circle the initial magnetron radius. On the left, a fast damping of the cyclotron motion and a slow blow up of the magnetron motion are observed. On the right, the effect of an additional resonant quadrupole field at ω_c is shown. Both cyclotron and magnetron radii are decreased.

G. Savard et al, Phys. Lett. A158 (1991) 247

Mass Selective cooling and centering of ion motion when damped by the presence of buffer gas:

- a. With no excitation applied
- b. With the application of a quadrupole excitation at the cyclotron frequency

A new isotope separator – The APT







- Superconducting magnet, B = 7 Tesla higher resolving power
- Magnetic field stability and uniformity <10⁻⁷
- Expected max. resolving power of 10⁵

The APT/CPT Shared Beamline



The accumulation RFQ trap



A "linear" RFQ trap provides:

- Ease of operation and construction
- Better capture parameters
- Lower energy spreads for extracted ions





The anatomy of a Penning trap



Shapes of the electrodes

Correction electrodes

Carefully chosen materials

Constant axial magnetic fieldparticle orbits in horizontal plane



•free to escape axially





•Add an axial harmonic electric field to confine particles

•axial oscillations:

$$\omega_z = \sqrt{\frac{eV}{md^2}}$$

•Radial motion split into two components by electric field:
 →ω₊ : reduced cyclotron freq.
 →ω₋: magnetron frequency

Where:

$$\omega_c^2 = \omega_+^2 + \omega_-^2 + \omega_z^2$$

and

 $\omega_c = \omega_+ + \omega_-$

Ion motion in the radial plane:

 $V_{x} = -\rho_{+}\omega_{+}\sin(\omega_{+}t) - \rho_{-}\omega_{-}\sin(\omega_{-}t)$ $V_{y} = \rho_{+}\omega_{+}\cos(\omega_{+}t) + \rho_{-}\omega_{-}\cos(\omega_{-}t)$ Power absorbed by ion in electric field: $P = q_{V}^{T} \cdot E$



For a dipole field: $E_y = E_0 \sin(\omega_d t)$ - $V \dot{V}$

Power absorbed: $P = q \stackrel{V}{V} \cdot \stackrel{V}{E}$

 $= -qE_{0}\sin(\omega_{D}t)[\rho_{+}\omega_{+}\sin(\omega_{+}t) + \rho_{-}\omega_{-}\sin(\omega_{-}t)]$

Resonances at $\omega_{\rm D} = \omega_+$ and ω_-

- Dipole excitation can be used to increase the radius of motion for a particular mode.
- Use ω_+ motion for mass selective "cleaning" with good resolution.
- Use ω_{-} motion for parking ions at a given orbit in a non-selective manner.

For a quadrupole field: $E_x = E_0 \cos(\omega_0 t)$ $E_y = E_0 \cos(\omega_0 t)$



 $P = qv \cdot E = -qE_0 \cos(\omega_Q t) \left[\rho_+^2 \omega_+ \cos(2\omega_+ t) + \rho_-^2 \omega_- \cos(2\omega_- t)\right]$

 $+\rho_{-}\rho_{+}(\omega_{-}+\omega_{+})\cos(\omega_{+}t+\omega_{-}t)]$

Resonances at $\omega_0 = 2\omega_-, 2\omega_+ \text{ and } \omega_+ + \omega_- = \omega_c$

- Quadrupole excitation at ω_c used for mass measurements.
- In the presence of a gas can be used to cool and center ions of a specific mass (as used in the isobar separator).

Recall:
$$\omega_c = \frac{qB}{m}$$

 ω_c depends only on:

the massthe magnetic fieldnot on the electric fields

Can use ω_c to make accurate and precise mass measurements

Detection of the resonance





The effects of the observation time



- FWHM = $0.8/T_{obs}$
- Side bands caused by finite excitation time
- Choose the longest observation time that is compatible with the half life (T_{obs} ~ 2 T_{1/2})



Measurement procedure

- •Create ions with the laser ion source or gas catcher
- Accumulate and cool ions in RFQ
- •Remove unwanted species with the isotope separator
- •Transfer ions to the precision Penning trap
- •Clean out unwanted species (Dipole ω_+ resonance)
- •"Evaporate" higher energy ions.
- •Locate ions in a selected orbit (Dipole ω_{-} resonance)
- •Convert ω_{-} motion into ω_{+} motion (quadrupole ω_{c} resonance)
- •Eject ions from the trap and measure the mean TOF

r & rp-process measurements

- Observed elemental abundances cannot be reproduced by only considering nuclear reactions in quiescent stars.
- Need to consider some explosive processes as well:
 - X-ray bursts rp-process (involves proton rich nuclides)
 - Supernovae r-process (involves neutron rich nuclides)

rp-process path



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rp-process – measurements completed



Jason Clark, University of Manitoba, PhD Thesis (2005)

Resonance obtained of ⁶⁸Se



With all data collected, $\Delta M = -54232$ (19) keV

Effective lifetime of the waiting-point nuclide ⁶⁸Se



Effective lifetime of the waiting-point nuclide ⁶⁴Ge



AME: G. Audi *et al.*, Nucl. Phys. **A729**, 337 (2003). FRDM: P. Möller *et al.*, At. Data Nucl. Data Tables **59**, 185 (1995). HF: B. A. Brown *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C **65**, 045802 (2002). SPEG: G.F. Lima *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C **65**, 044618 (2002).

Continuing measurements along the rp-process



* G. Audi et al., Nucl. Phys. A729, 337 (2003).

Endpoint of the rp-process



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Super allowed beta decay Q-values



Nine well known cases:



Remarkable agreement!

Q-value + Branching ratio + half life

 \rightarrow ft value

Corrections are needed.

FT (average) = ft $(1+\delta'_R)(1+\delta_{NS}-\delta_C) = 3072.7(8)$ With $\chi^2/\upsilon = 0.42$

Where:

- δ_{R} : Coulomb correction
- δ_{C} : nucleus dependent radiative correction
- $\Delta_{\mathbf{R}}$: nucleus independent radiative correction

Contribution of all three correction terms: on the order of 1% with 0.1% uncertainty.

Contributions to the uncertainty



CKM matrix element V_{ud} $Et = ft(1 + \delta')(1 + \delta - \delta) = \frac{K}{K}$

$$T t = ft(1 + O_R)(1 + O_{NS} - O_C) - \frac{1}{2G_V^2(1 + O_V)}$$

- $|V_{ud}| = G_V / G_F$
- f statistical rate function
- t partial half life (lifetime and B.R.)

 δ_{NS} and δ_{C} – nuclear structure dependent corrections

Combine average Ft value with G_F to obtain the best available value for $|V_{ud}| = 0.9738(4)$.

THIS DOMINATES THE CURRENT VALUE FOR V_{ud} !

From: Hardy and Towner PRL 94, 092502 (2005)

 (Δ_R^V)

Unitarity tests of the CKM matrix

Until recently:

- $V_{ud}^2 + V_{us}^2 + V_{ub}^2 = 0.9968$ (14)
- 2.2 s deviation from expected value of 1

Recent measurements at BNL and FNL provide a new value: $|V_{US}| = 0.2259(0.0018)$

- With this the sum becomes 0.9996(11)!
- Caution: discrepancies between these values and other measured values need to be reconciled.

PRL 94, 092502 (2005), PRL 91, 261802 (2003), PRL 93, 181802 (2004)

How do we check our result for consistency?

Extend the data set to cases beyond the initial 9 candidates.

Accuracy required



For example:

For a Q = 10 MeV we need dQ < 2 keV

Required precision ($\delta M/M$) of ~2x10⁻⁸

- •Improve Q-values for the "well-known" cases.
- •Measure masses of parent/daughter for the "new" cases to determine the Q-value.
- •Verify if the corrections are correct for the extended data set.
- •Need measurements from different groups to confirm data.

²²Mg mass measurement

Motivations:

uncertainty in the ²¹Na(p,γ) rate in novae

 $\Delta M = -399.73(67) \text{ keV}$

Ft = 3081(8) s

• test the unitarity of the CKM matrix



⁴⁶V mass measurement

Motivation:

- Improve the precision ⁴⁶V has the largest uncertainty among the nine well known cases.
- Successfully measured the cyclotron frequencies for ⁴⁶V⁺⁺, ⁴⁶Ti⁺⁺ and ²²Ne⁺ to a precision of 10⁻⁸.



Comparison with existing data



•Q_{EC} = 7052.90(40) keV • previous average value 7050.71(89) keV • Ft = 3079.9 (2.3) s •"World" data

Q-value difference between 77Vo02 and all other data



Ft- values from modified data set



With this data set:

$$\bullet V_{ud}^2 + V_{us}^2 + V_{ub}^2 = 0.9993 \ (16)$$

Measurement of neutron-rich nuclides



Our results



Conclusion

- Over 70 masses determined:
 - Much of the rp-process path has been covered.
 - We are moving towards the r-process path on the neutron-rich side.
 - Q-values for super allowed beta decays are providing interesting results.
- Improvements to the instrument will make many more measurements possible.

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