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Outline

- The Heavy Element Laser Ionization Spectroscopy (HELIOS) project:
 - nuclear and atomic physics motivation
- Laser ionization spectroscopy of ²¹²⁻²¹⁵Ac at the Leuven Isotope Separator On Line (LISOL) facility
 - in gas-cell and in-gas jet
- Off-line characterization studies
- Conclusion and Outlook







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Reported Magnetic Moments



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Laser Ionization Spectroscopy: basics



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courtesy I. Moore

Laser Ionization Spectroscopy @ LISOL: in-gas cell



Limitations:

- Pressure shift and broadening
- Doppler broadening
- Ion-gas interactions

 ⁵⁷Cu(Z=29, N=28, T_{1/2}=196 ms) Cocolios,- PRL 103 (2009) 102501
⁹⁷Ag (Z=47, N=50, T_{1/2}= 26 s)) Ferrer,- PLB 728 (2014) 191



HFS of ²¹²⁻²¹⁵Ac - 439 nm transition N=126

LAR SSA



Wavenumbers (cm⁻¹)

The HELIOS concept

- Production of the heavy elements (or neutron deficient isotopes): heavy-ion fusion evaporation reactions
- Separation of the primary and secondary beam: e.g. S3-GANIL, MARA@JYFL
- Thermalization in the gas cell
- Repelling unwanted ions
- Formation of a cooled atomic beam through e.g. a 'de Laval' nozzle (gas jet)
- Resonant laser ionization: high-repetition rate laser system (>10 kHz)
- Ion capture and transport in the RF Ion Guide followed by mass separation
- Detection of the ions: radioactivity / ion counting



The HELIOS concept

- Total expected efficiency: 4%
- Strategy
 - In-gas cell laser ionization spectroscopy (broadband 5 GHz): rough laser scans, search for atomic transitions
 - In-gas jet laser ionization spectroscopy (narrow band 100 MHz)

From 'in-gas cell' to 'in-gas jet' laser spectroscopy



T. Sonoda *et al.* NIM B267 (2009) 2918, R. Ferrer *et al,* NIM B 291 (2012) 29 Y. Kudryavtsev et al., NIM B 297 (2013) 7



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Multi-Monfiguration Dirac Fock atomic physics calculations: ²²⁷Ac



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R. Beerwerth and S. Fritzsche (2016)

Magnetic dipole moments and electical quadrupole moments



• Shell model calculations (H. Grawe) are in good agreement with experimental quadrupole moments and magnetic dipole moments

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²⁰⁸Pb good core for shell model predictions (N=126) (²¹⁸U: Khuyagbaatar, - PRL 115 (2015))



Y. Kudryavtsev,- NIM B 376 (2016) 345–352

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Prototype gas cell for GANIL (S3-LEB)

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Gas Flow Simulation and Validation

• M=8: T=4 to 20 K (ideal case: 13K)





Visualisation of the gas jet

with planar-laser induced fluorescence (PLIF)





PLIF with copper atoms: first tests

Stagnation pressure 290 mbar, P_{jet} ~ 1 mbar, Mach 5.5



PLIF with copper atoms: first tests

• Characterize density, temperature and velocity distributions by laser spectroscopy in different areas of the jet.





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IGLIS @ S3LEB - SPIRAL2 - GANIL IGLIS @ MARA - JYFL





New opportunities with IGLIS



Conclusion and outlook

- Feasibility for in-gas jet laser ionization spectroscopy of actinium is proven
 - good efficiency (5.6 % duty factor corrected), good spectral resolution (~400 MHz)

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- Further off-line characterization will be performed at the IGLIS lab at KU Leuven
- Opens new route for precision laser spectroscopy measurements of neutrondeficient isotopes and study of pure isomeric beams produced in heavy-ion fusion evaporation reactions
 - N=Z line around and below ¹⁰⁰Sn
 - neutron-deficient deformed region A~150
 - very heavy element region
- On-line experiments at S3 (SPIRAL2 GANIL)

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Mean charge radii

In order to determine mean charge radii:

- Calculate electronic factor and specific mass shift (R. Beerwerth, S. Fritzsche)

- Use King plot to test calculations



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• Racah relative intensity ratio $5 \rightarrow 6'$ to $6 \rightarrow 6'$ r = 2.33 only followed at low power



New Gas Cell Design for S3@GANIL



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