

2 - 1 Research Progress of Nuclear Structure Research Group

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The Group of Nuclear Structure Research at IMP has been working in the field of high-spin level structures via standard in-beam γ -ray spectrum. In order to explore the new high-spin physics in nuclei far from the valley of stability, we have recently completed the construction of a large-scale γ -ray detection array. This array consists of 15 HPGe, 9 Clover and 8 LaBr₃ detectors, providing excellent energy and timing resolution and high full-energy peak efficiency.

The first experiment was performed in 2017 at the TL2 beam line of HIRFL in Institute of Modern Physics, Chinese Academy of Sciences. High-spin states of ⁹⁵Tc have been populated by the ⁹⁰Zr (¹²C, α p2n) fusion-evaporation reaction. The beam was delivered from the SFC. 15 HPGe, 7 Clover and 3 LaBr₃ detectors were available during the experiment. The use of Clover detectors facilitate the linear polarization measurement of γ ray^[1,2], together with the angular distribution information, to firmly determine the level spin and parity. According to the measured γ rays, we have constructed a new level scheme for ⁹⁵Tc, which differs from the previous result^[3] mainly by the level spins and parities for the Clover detectors added into the array.

In addition, we have performed another in-beam γ -ray experiment in INFN, Italy. The experiment aimed at the high-spin level structure of ¹³⁰Ba via the ¹²²Sn (¹³C, 5n) fusion-evaporation reaction. The emitted γ rays, charged particles and neutrons were detected during the experiment. According to the particle- γ and γ - γ coincidences as well as the angular distribution information, we have constructed a level scheme built up from the long-lived 8⁻ isomer in ¹³⁰Ba^[4].

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2 - 2 Structure above K -isomer in ¹³⁰Ba

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Isomeric $I^\pi=8^-$ states have been observed in the even-even $N = 74$ nuclei ¹³⁸Gd^[1], ¹³⁶Sm^[2], ¹³⁴Nd^[3], ¹³²Ce^[4], ¹³⁰Ba^[5], ¹²⁸Xe^[6] with half-lives ranging from nanoseconds (Xe) to milliseconds (Ba, Ce). Rotational bands built on the $K^\pi=8^-$ isomer were identified in all these isotones, with the exception of ¹³⁰Ba. The single-particle configuration of the isomers have been deduced from the $\Delta I = 2$ to $\Delta I = 1$ γ -ray intensity branching ratios, which allowed to extract the $(g_K - g_R)/Q_0$ values, and therefore the quasi-particle configuration of the state. A predominant $\nu 9/2^- [514] \otimes \nu 7/2^+ [404]$ two-quasineutron structure has been deduced for the isomers with observed bands built on them. As Z increases across the $N = 74$ nuclei from ¹²⁸Xe to ¹³⁸Gd, the decreasing energy of the first excited 2⁺ state indicates that the deformation increases. It might therefore be expected that the K -selection rule governing the E1

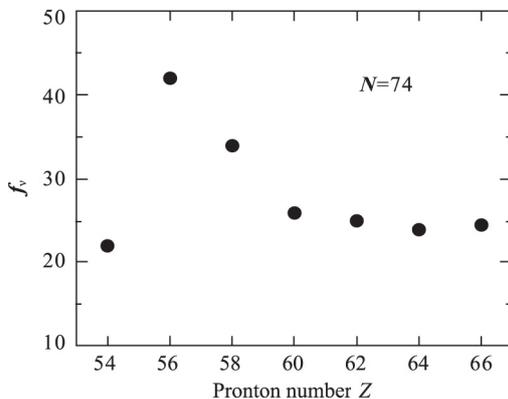


Fig. 1 The hindrance per degree of K forbiddenness f_ν for the transitions from the $K^\pi=8^-$ state to the 8⁺ member of the yrast band in the $N = 74$ isotones.