

# High-resolution $\gamma$ -ray spectroscopy at the Legnaro National Laboratories

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# Outlook

# Introduction γ-ray spectroscopy at LNL AGATA tracking spectromter The GALILEO project PANDORA synergy



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### Nuclear physics at the frontier

How did visible matter come into being and how does it evolve?
How do NNN forces impact structure and reaction properties of nuclei ?
How does subatomic matter organize itself and what phenomena emerge?

What is the origin of simple patterns in complex nuclei?







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# The quantum ladder

#### Astronomical observations

#### Astrophysical simulations

Stellar nucleosynthesis

Stellar explosions

#### **Nuclear structure and reactions observables**

- Experiments
- Theoretical calculations



### γ-ray spectroscopy at LNL

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# Long-standing activity









**EUROBALL 1998** 

80% nuclear physics research
 50% γ-ray spectroscopy
 Proton- and neutron-rich nuclei





**AGATA 2008** 

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# The AGATA project





- segmented detector
- pulse-shape analysis
- tracking the  $\gamma$  rays
- digital electronics



- Amount of germanium: 362 kg
- Solid angle coverage: 82 %
- Singles rate >50 kHz
- Efficiency: 43% (M<sub>y</sub>=1), 28% (M<sub>y</sub>=30)
- Peak/Total: 58% (M<sub>y</sub>=1), 49% (M<sub>y</sub>=30)
- Angular Resolution: ~1°



# Calorimetric -> Position Sensitive



- 50% of solid angle taken by the AC shields
- large opening angle poor energy resolution at high recoil velocity
- too many detectors needed to avoid summing effects
- opening angle still too big for very high recoil velocity

#### Smarter use of Ge detectors

- segmented detectors
- digital electronics
- timestamping of events
- analysis of pulse shapes
- tracking of γ-rays

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# $\gamma$ -ray tracking concept



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### 1 mm position resolution $\rightarrow$ 1 deg



Induced current Ramo Theorem

**D4** 

time (ns)

E5

**E3** 

 $\mathbf{E}$ 

D

time (ns)

$$f_k = -qv \cdot \nabla \phi_k(r_q)$$

E. Gatti, et al. NIM 193 (82) 651

F4

200 400 0 200 400 0 200 400 0 200 400

Ring 1

time (ns)



 $\mathbf{E4}$ E3

200 400

time (ns

Credits M.Ginsz, et al., **IPHC Strasbourg** 

-0.2

time (ns)

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0.8

06

04

03

0

0.6

0.4

200 400

200 400

time (ns)

0

200 400

time (ns)

Core

time (ns)

0 200 400

E4

.0 2

0

200 400

time (ns)

0

200 400

time (ns)

0

200 400

time (ns)

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791 keV deposited in segment B4

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### **Forward tracking implemented in AGATA**

- 1. Create cluster pool => for each cluster,  $E_{y0} = \Sigma$  cluster depositions
- 2. Test the 3 mechanisms
  - 1. do the interaction points satisfy the **Compton** scattering rules ?

$$\chi^2 \approx \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} W_n \cdot \left(\frac{E_{\gamma'} - E_{\gamma'}^{Pos}}{E_{\gamma}}\right)_n^2$$

- 2. does the interaction satisfy photoelectric conditions (e<sub>1</sub>,depth,distance to other points) ?
- 3. do the interaction points correspond to a **pair production** event ?

 $E_{1st} = E_{\gamma} - 2 m_e c^2$ and the other points can be group in two subsets with energy ~ 511 k

3. Select clusters based on  $\chi^{_2}$ 





### Lifetime measurement of 6.79 Mev in <sup>15</sup>O

<sup>14</sup>N(<sup>2</sup>H,n)<sup>15</sup>O and <sup>14</sup>N(<sup>2</sup>H,p)<sup>15</sup>N reactions @ 32 MeV (XTU LNL Tandem) **Direct lifetime measurement** with 4 ATCs at backward angles (close to the beam-line)



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# **Compton polarimeters**

Partially-polarized 555.8-keV and 433.9-keV lines in 104Pd and 108Pd [+unpolarized 137Cs source].





$$\bar{\sigma}_C(\theta,\varphi) = \frac{r_0^2}{4} \left(\frac{E_{\gamma}'}{E_{\gamma}}\right)^2 \left[\frac{E_{\gamma}}{E_{\gamma}'} + \frac{E_{\gamma}'}{E_{\gamma}} - \sin^2\theta \left(1 + P\cos 2\varphi\right)\right]$$





Analyzing power: 6x10-3

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Resident array at LNL

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# HPGe

- 25 HPGe detectors GASP type
  @ 22.5cm; ~ 2.4% eff @1332.5
  25 BGO
- FWHM@1332.5 keV < 2.4 keV; with experimental shaping: 17 mounted</li>
   Completely digital DAQ:
  - 4 µs rise time, 1µs flat top energy stored
  - ✓ initial part of the signal taken
  - BGO slave of HPGe
  - very low noise
  - recover time information from the signal



# **Compton shield**



- For large-volume Ge crystals the Anticompton shield (AC) improves the Peak\_to\_Total ratio (P/T) from ~20% to ~60%
- In a g-g measurement, the fraction of useful peak-peak coincidence events grows from 4 % to 36%
- For high fold (F) coincidences the fraction of useful coincidences is: P/T F

# GALILEO – Digital electronics



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# GALILEO – v deficient science campaign



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# GALILEO – Phase 2

Physics program driven configuration: 10 GTC @ backward angles Efficiency ~ 7.5%



GEANT4 Simulation by Alain Goasduff



Mechanical project by INFN Padova

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# GALILEO triple cryostat

### New triple cryostat out of the EUROBALL capsules.







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# GTC + AntiCompton shields



Standard configuration GTC crystals at ~ 5 cm from the BGO front face Close configuration GTC crystals aligned to the BGO front face

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 $\checkmark$  Some considerations as  $\gamma$ -ray spectroscopist

# Background (from TDR)



- Back ground: 5000xe<sup>(-E/100keV)</sup>
- Integral: pps 500k \_> ~50kHz det
- Hist populated with random numbers

Shield to be considered
 Likely at the edge of a counting det for spectroscopy purposes (at sustainable cost)



No significant difference in single

 $\gamma\gamma$  not investigated so far [PT<sup>Fold</sup>]  $\rightarrow$  depending on the activity a coincidence might be useful to resolve the (lower-energy transition)

# Simulations (quick&dirt)



- 1 week of beam(*live*) time  $\rightarrow$  statistical precision to be address ■ Signals: 1 cps vs 100 cps [ $\tau$ : 10<sup>7</sup> - 10<sup>5</sup>]
- Source at rest, lons velocity?
- HPGe: 20 cm distance (sphere)  $\rightarrow \sim 2\% \epsilon_{ph}$
- 2.5x5 cm<sup>2</sup> Pb collimator
- AC included but  $\gamma\gamma$  not investigated ( ...useful)

# Summary and Conclusions

- Long-standing tradition in  $\gamma$ -ray spec. at LNL INFN
- Principle of tracking and AC  $\gamma$ -ray

spec.

Simple simulations with PANDORA
 Synergies to be considered
 harmonizing the use of resources
 Human resources and expertises to
 be considered

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# SPES facility



# **Fission fragments**

#### UCx Target (... + not fissile also foreseen)

#### Expected intensity for reaccelerated beams





- MCNPX Calculation BERTINI - ORNL (FF cross-
- sections)
- Release & ionization efficiency in agreement and re-scaled on HRIBF experimental values and currents (200µA/5µA)



# Neutron Wangate





50 (45) detectors, organic scintillators [BC501A]
Three types of signals for each of them: QVC, TOF, ZCO
Preselected neutron condition provided to the trigger
s(1n) = 23-27%; advantageous for identification of 2n channel
VME electronics → going to digital (NEDA)







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### GTC performances

#### **Prototype GTC**

- 22 litres of LN<sub>2</sub> are needed to cool down the detector
- After ~ 4 hours the detector is ready to be connected to the automatic filling system
- No problems turning the detector upside-down: the temperature increases by ~ 3 °C
- Holding time > 32 hours



### GTC status

#### **Prototype GTC**

- Delivered on August 29, 2016
- Positive acceptance test

#### **Production of 10 GTC**

- Placed the order in 2017
- Expected delivery of first 2 cryostats on February 2018

#### **Mechanics and electronics**

- Production of new cold and warm preamplifiers (AGATA core type)
- Mounting flanges and adapters TBD

FWHM	Data sheet	Measurements	Prototype
Position		at GSI	results
Pos A: HEX130	1.25 keV	???	1.14 keV
AGATA CC	2.21 keV	2.02 keV	1.95/2.04 keV
Pos B: HEX161	1.35 keV	???	1.11 keV
New CC	2.30 keV	2.04 keV	1.94/2.01 keV
Pos C: HEX 31	1.00 keV	???	1.35 keV
Orig.CC w Test	2.00 keV	2.06 keV	2.17/2.29 keV





### AC status

#### AC prototype

- Project definition and cost estimate with an AC from GSI (SCIONIX)
- Irreversible BGO crystal changes authorized by Gammapool (option under investigation)

#### **Produzione 10 AC per GTC**

Funding request submitted in 2017. Estimated cost: ~ 130 k€ (IVA inclusa)





Standard configuration with GTC crystals at ~ 5 cm from the BGO front face

- Normal: original crystals used
- Short: crystals must be cutted (TBD)

#### Configuration compatible with GTC

### Anti Compton shield



9 BGO crystals (6x type 1 + 3x type 2) from the EUROBALL AC shields Total weight ~ 35 kg

#### **Top mounting flange**

Project *evaluated/in preparation* by SCIONIX. Mounting system to be confirmed

Schematic drawing, not corresponding to final configuration





### Probe of the nuclear effective interaction





Nuclear structure by detecting neutrons

**NEDA** 







NISTERO DELL' ISTRUZIONE, DELL'UNIVERSITÀ E DELLA RICERCA





#### Science campaign with AGATA at GANIL





### Basics of nucleo-synthesis processes



The s and r processes produce almost all heavy elements (A>60)

Processes are linked to stellar Evolution

Abundance patterns predicted by models, require nuclear physics input

Burbidge, Burbidge, Fowler, Hoyle, Rev. Mod. Phys. 29 (1957) 547 A.G.W. Cameron, 1982

### **FISSION PRODUCTS** 86 Sr 87 Sr 88 'h 86 Rb 87 Rb 85 'r 80-Se 75 Se 76 Se 77 Se 78 9 79 Se 80 9 81 Se 82 r-process decay chains s-process flow

β decay faster then n capture
 Neutron density 10<sup>6-7</sup>n/cm<sup>3</sup>
 Branching points: τ and n capture rate of the same order of magnitude
 key reaction: (n,γ)

n capture faster than β decay
 Neutron density 10<sup>20</sup> n/cm<sup>3</sup>
 Dripline and waiting points: plenty of ...
 nuclear structure information needed
 π masses energy levels 1<sup>π</sup> s n streng

 $\tau$ , masses, energy levels, J<sup>π</sup>, s.p. strengths, (n, $\gamma$ )

indirect methods for RIB (TH, SR, ANC)

# one-nucleon and cluster transfer at the relevant astrophysics sites



#### **SPES LOI:**

Address uncertainties by the measurement of transfer reactions on neutron-rich nuclei *S.Pain, D.Mengoni et al* 

#### **SPES LOI:**

Search for deformed oblate structures in  ${}^{96}$ Y by  $\gamma$ -spectroscopy and **cluster transfer** reactions with a  ${}^{95}$ Sr SPES beam

B. Fornal, S. Leoni ...



### Complementariety

