# EXOGAM: recent results and near future perspectives

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# A few recent physics highlights

- 1. Lifetime measurement:
  - <sup>62,64</sup>Fe
  - <sup>63,65</sup>Co
- 2. Prompt and delayed gamma-ray spectroscopy: <sup>68</sup>Ni
- 3. Fission fragments  $\gamma$ -ray spectroscopy
- 4. MED in the A=58, T=1 triplet: <sup>58</sup>Zn
- 5. Search for T=0 np pairing: <sup>92</sup>Pd, <sup>91</sup>Ru
- The <sup>34</sup>Si(d,p) reaction to probe the spin orbit interaction

# Lifetime measurement: Onset of collectivity in the <sup>68</sup>Ni region. The case of <sup>62,64</sup>Fe.

The case of <sup>63,65</sup>Co: A. Dijon's talk

# VAMOS close to the grazing angle (45°)







### Differential plunger at VAMOS+EXOGAM

### Results: the iron isotopes

<sup>60</sup>Fe

<sup>62</sup>Fe

<sup>64</sup>Fe



# Lifetime of irons

lsotope (A)	τ (ps)			D(E2·2+_\0+)
	NNDC	This work	E <sub>exc</sub> (keV)	(e <sup>2</sup> fm <sup>4</sup> )
60	11.6(22)	11.4(12)	823.6	190(20)
62	-	7.4(9)	876.8	214 (26)
64	-	7.4(26)	746.4	470 <sub>(+210)</sub>

Check: <sup>60</sup>Fe:  $t_{1/2}$  (2<sup>+</sup>  $\rightarrow$  0<sup>+</sup>) = 11.4 (12) ps (this work) (11.6 (22) ps in Warburton et al, PRC 16 (1977) 1027)

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#### Onset of collectivity in neutron-rich Fe isotopes: Toward a new island of inversion?

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### Iron results

B(E2;2<sup>+</sup><sub>1</sub>→0<sup>+</sup><sub>1</sub>) = 214(26) e<sup>2</sup>.fm<sup>4</sup> <sup>62</sup>Fe B(E2;2<sup>+</sup><sub>1</sub>→0<sup>+</sup><sub>1</sub>) = 470(+210/-110) e<sup>2</sup>.fm<sup>4</sup> <sup>64</sup>Fe



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2. Prompt and delayed gamma-ray spectroscopy around <sup>68</sup>Ni

A. Dijon's talk

# 3. Fission fragments gamma-ray spectroscopy at VAMOS

Slides from A .Navin, M. Rejmund and Ch. Schmitt

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Performance of the improved larger acceptance spectrometer: VAMOS++

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Fig. 11. Two-dimensional plot of  $\theta$  as a function of relative rigidity for transmitted trajectories. (a) Same as in Fig. 2(b) for a detector size of 400 mm × 110 mm. (b) From the present measurement with a detector size of 1000 mm × 150 mm. (c) Simulation for an isotropic distribution of particles entering the spectrometer, for a detector size of 1000 mm × 150 mm.

# 4. Mirror energy differences in the A=58, T=1 triplet: <sup>58</sup>Zn

Slides from T. Hüyük and A. Gadea

#### Mirror energy differences beyond the f<sub>7/2</sub>-shell

For a T=1 triplet:

 $MED_J = E_J(Z+1) - E_J(Z-1)$ information on CSB terms (V<sup>pp</sup>-V<sup>nn</sup>)

 $\text{TED}_{I} = E_{I}(Z+1) + E_{I}(Z-1) - 2E_{I}(Z)$ 

information on CSB & CIB (V<sup>pn</sup>) terms





#### Status of E482a



Fe45

Fe +2+3 55.845

26

Fe46 20 ms

0+

Fe47 27 ms

Fe48 44 ms 0+

22

Fe49 70 ms (7/2-)

Fe50 150 ms 0+

24

Fe51 305 ms (5/2-)

Fe5 8.27

26

Fe53 851 m

Fe54

0+

28

Fe55 2.73 y 3/2-

100

Fe58

0+

32

Fe59 44503 a 3/2-

Fe60 15E+6 y 0+

34

Fe61 5.98 m 3/2-.5/2-

Fe62 68 s 0+

36

Fe63 6.1 s (5/2)

Fe56

0+

30

Fe57

1/2-

#### Status of E482a

Neutron and Charged Particle gates and <sup>40</sup>Ar contamination in the <sup>32</sup>S beam



#### Mirror energy differences beyond the f<sub>7/2</sub>-shell

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# 5. Search for T=0 np pairing: <sup>92</sup>Pd. By-product: <sup>91</sup>Ru

# Motivations

- Study of pairing (short range) correlations is a central topic in nuclear structure.
- In heavy nuclei, like nucleon pairing dominates: identical particles in time reversed orbits are coupled to T=1, I=0 isovector nn and pp Cooper pairs
- In N ≈ Z nuclei, neutrons and protons occupy the same orbitals → maximum spatial overlap → np pairs with T=1, I=0 and also T=0, I>0 (isoscalar)



# How to look for this?



 $3127 \xrightarrow{10^{+} 3257}$  $8^{+}_{\underline{\phantom{0}}2600} \frac{8^{+}}{6^{+}}$ 2633 2466 2212 $6^+$  2110  $4^+$  2079  $4^{+}$  1708 1518201417  $2^{+}$  1171  $\frac{2^{+} 878}{15}$  $2^+$  797  $0^{+}$ - 0 0 0+ 0 <sup>92</sup>Pd <sup>92</sup>Pd  $^{92}Pd$ <sup>92</sup>Pd SMT=1T=0no np

- Predicted effect of the T=0 and T=1 channels
- **The major influence of T=0**

## **EXOGAM-NWall-DIAMANT:**

#### The power of the coupling







DIAMANT: 80 CsI(TI) dets.  $\varepsilon_{p \text{ or } \alpha} \approx 66\%$ 





• EXOGAM: 11 Clovers with partial shield.  $\varepsilon_p \omega$ ~ 10% for E<sub>g</sub>=1.3 MeV



The Neutron Wall: 50 liquid scintillator detectors. ε<sub>1n</sub> ~ 23%

### EXOGAM:

#### First identification of $\gamma$ -rays in <sup>92</sup>Pd



See J Nyberg's talk for the 2n selection procedure

#### <sup>92</sup>Pd:A new spin aligned np coupling scheme





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# Asymmetry vs DCO ratios in <sup>91</sup>Ru



## New transitions in <sup>91</sup>Ru



<sup>91</sup>Ru

- Three neutron-hole excitations in <sup>91</sup>Ru
- First DCO ratios and asymmetry measurements with EXOGAM!

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# 6. The <sup>34</sup>Si(d,p) reaction to probe the spin orbit interaction.

Slides from G. Burgunder and O Sorlin

# The spin-orbit interaction

Density dependence of the spin-orbit interaction:





→ Probe filling of  $s_{1/2}$  going from <sup>34</sup>Si to <sup>36</sup>S

# (d,p) reactions to probe $\pi$ density

0.12

0.10

0.08

0.06

0.04

0.02

 $\rho_p(\mathrm{fm}^{-3})$ 

<sup>34</sup>S

<sup>36</sup>S

Probing  $s_{1/2}$  occupancy  $\Leftrightarrow$  probing the central proton density

➔ Transfer reactions

Beam :  ${}^{36}$ S or  ${}^{34}$ Si, 20 MeV/A 10<sup>5</sup> pps



# E\* (MUST) in coinc. with EXOGAM



<sup>35</sup>Si

# The near future of EXOGAM:

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# EXOGAM2

- Aging D-Size VXI electronics
- Severe rate limitations (use far beyond original specs)



# EXOGAM2

• The NIM digitizer



# The collaboration, etc.

- Timescale: ready when AGATA will be at GANIL (early 2014)
- Collaboration: GANIL, IPNO, CSNSM, Krakow, UIAC New Delhi, TIFR Mumbai, ATOMKI, KTH Stockholm, Nigde Univ. + NEDA synergy: IFIC-Valencia, Padova, SLCJ Warsaw. Coll. Agreement being signed.
- Cost: ~580 k€ for 448 channels
- Current status: design of the full prototype. Should be available for test early 2012.

# EXOGAM at the ILL

Exploit differences in the spontaneous and thermal neutroninduced fission yields to study:

- $\bullet$  Nuclear structure around  $^{78}\rm{Ni}$  and beyond  $^{132}\rm{Sn}$
- Nuclear astrophysics and the r-process
- The fission mechanism: angular momentum generation and the fragment mass distribution
- Reactor physics and nuclear data



# The method and requirements

use  $\gamma - \gamma - \gamma$  or  $\gamma - \gamma - \gamma - \gamma$  coincidences

Need efficiency (~10 %) and the ability to resolve M~6 cascades

Typically  $5x10^4$ - $10^5$  fissions per/s x 6  $\gamma$  rays=3 – 6 x  $10^5 \gamma$  rays emitted per second

Fission rate required ~10<sup>5</sup> fissions/s

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Cross-sections <sup>235</sup>U=584 b, <sup>241</sup>Pu=1009 b
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PF1B flux up to 1.8x10<sup>10</sup> n/cm<sup>2</sup>/s

Typical Lohengrin target ~400 µg/cm<sup>2</sup>

Fission rate (1 cm<sup>2 241</sup>Pu target) = 1.8 x10<sup>7</sup> fissions/s

reduce by 200 (neutron beam collimation)

# Test of the neutron collimator at PF1B



 $\gamma$ -ray spectrum of the energy range 500-1000 keV for a one hour in-beam measurement of a BaCl<sub>2</sub> target at PF1B

M Jentshel, W Urban, G Simpson et al



→ No (n,n' $\gamma$ ) (broad peak around 600 keV)

• Very clean spectrum for  $(n,\gamma)$  reaction

# Summary

- EXOGAM is intensively used at GANIL: working horse for high-resolution gamma-ray spectroscopy
- New and important physics results in various mass regions
- The upgrade of the electronics is going on
- ILL campaign expected 2012-13 (tbc). Workshop postponed by the end of the year.