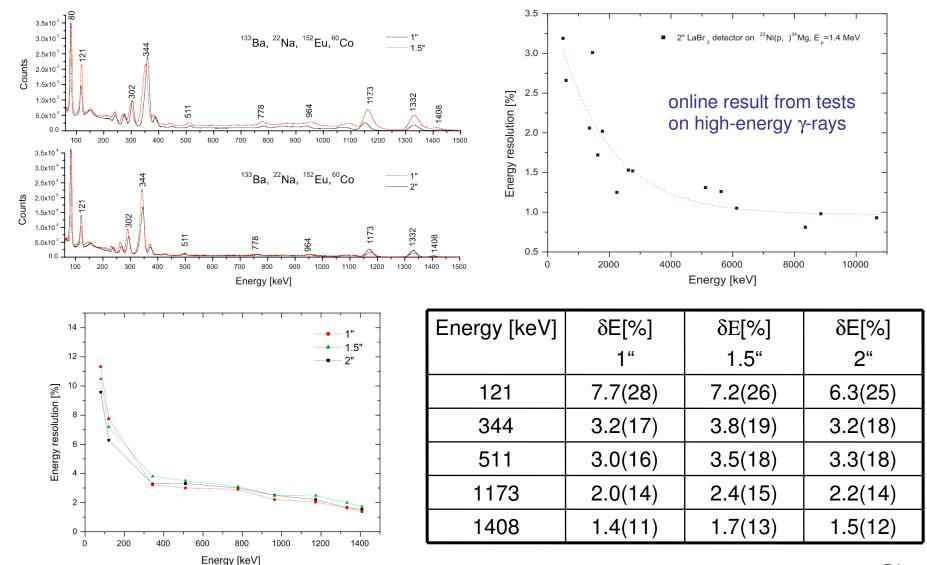
Some experience with LaBr₃ detectors

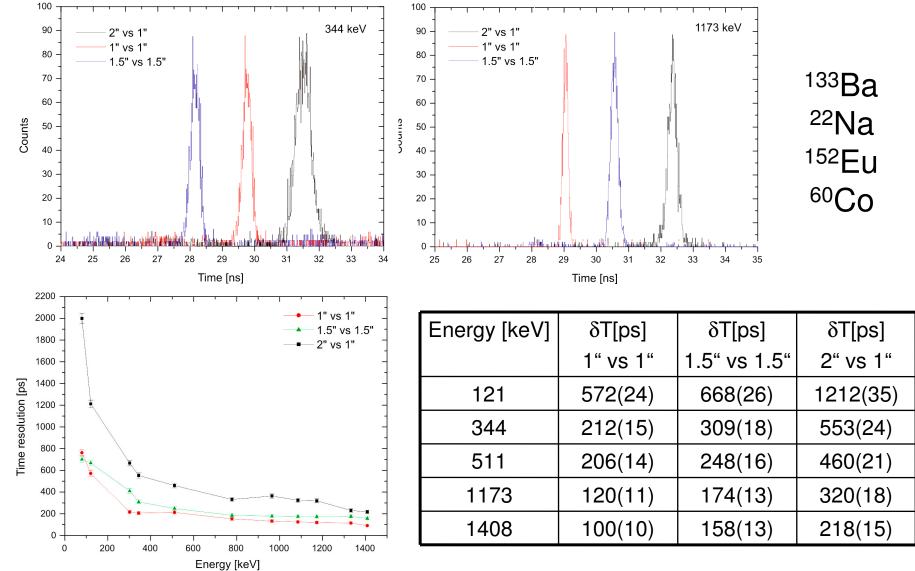
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(source tests) Radomira Lozeva, Georgi Georgiev (CSNSM)

Tests of 1", 1.5" and 2" LaBr₃:Ce detectors with sources – energy resolution



Tests of 1", 1.5" and 2" LaBr₃:Ce detectors with sources – time resolution



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Experiments at IFIN-HH, Bucharest

TANDEM Laboratory at IFIN-HH Bucharest :

- 9 MV TANDEM accelerator
- Duoplasmatron alpha
 particles source
- Sputtering source

Ions from protons to Si can be accelerated at energies above the Coulomb barrier



Some aspects of the reactions with light projectiles

 Reactions like (p,γ), (p,n), (α,n) are rather non-selective in angular momentum

- give access to non-yrast states

- Reactions with heavier projectiles start to be selective along the yrast line
 - with projectiles up to Carbon one have a small number of reaction channels and large (hundreds of milibarns) cross-sections

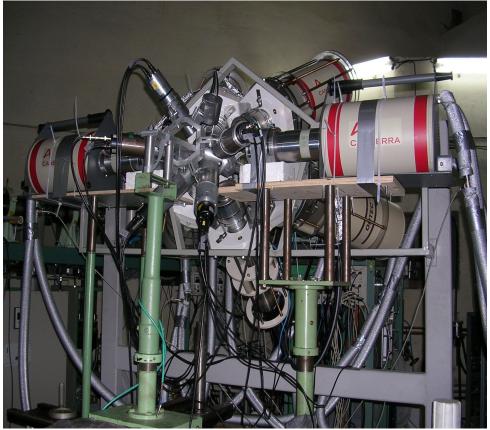
Gamma detection system

Consistent investments in the last years

- 18 HPGe detectors with 55% efficiency
- two clover detectors with anti-Compton shields
- scintillation detectors (LaBr₃:Ce, BGO anti-Compton) to be delivered during 2009

Permanent gamma detection array

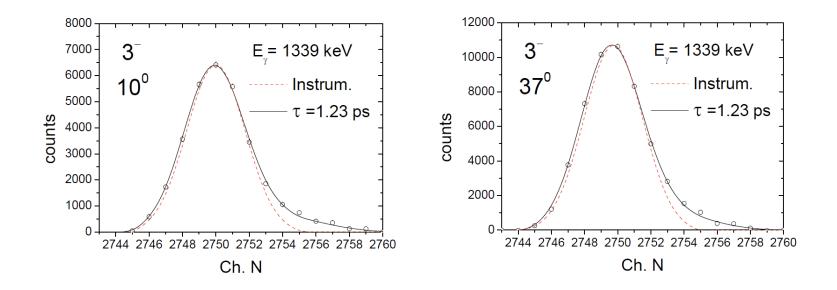
7-8 55% HPGe detectors



5 LaBr₃:Ce detectors from Sofia and CSNSM

DSAM at low recoil energy

- Non-yrast states in Te isotopes populated in Sn(α,n) reactions at 15 MeV incident energy
- Recoil energy of ~ 500 keV → one need very good energy resolution and stability of the detection system



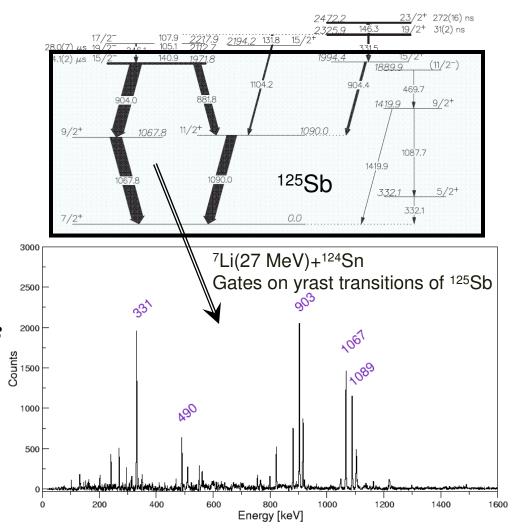
"Transfer" reactions with ⁷Li

In the reaction ⁷Li(23-27 MeV) + ¹²⁴Sn nuclei like ^{125,126}Sb were populated with cross-sections with **orders of magnitude higher** respect of what we expect from compound-nucleus reactions

The same phenomenon was observed in reaction studies without gamma detection systems and was interpreted as transfer processes followed by breakup of the remaining fragment of the projectile

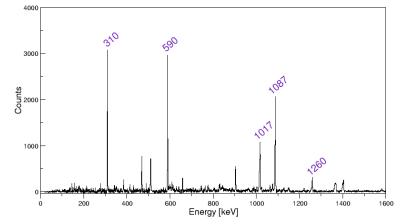
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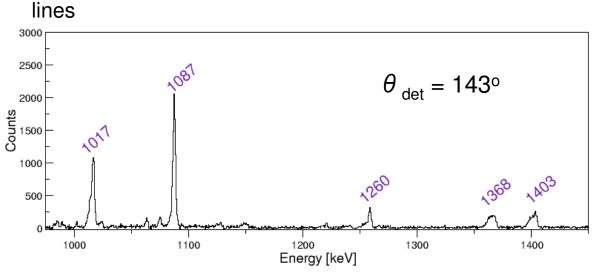
These reactions might be used to produce nuclei otherwise difficult to reach in heavy-ion reactions



Non-yrast states populated in reactions with ⁷Li

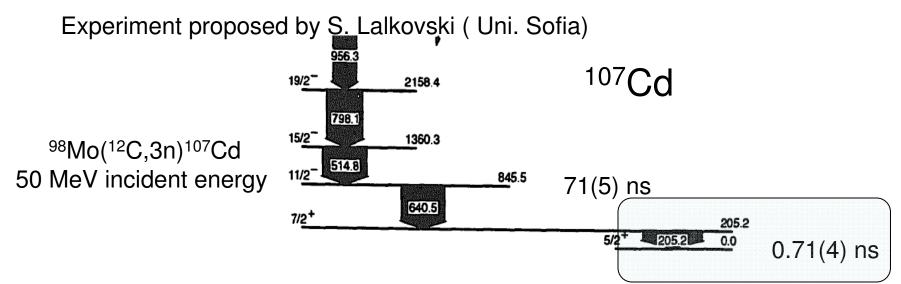
- All non-yrast states up to 3 MeV excitation energy were observed in the reaction
- From $\gamma \gamma$ coincidences we deduced that most of the levels are **directly populated**
- Significant Doppler lineshapes for many γ





DSAM method may be applied in α-γ coincidence experiments without significant feeding problems

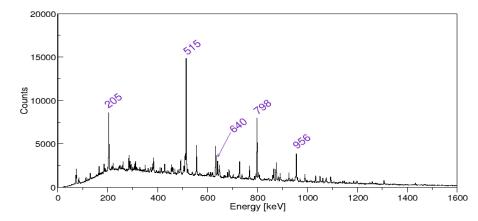
In-beam Fast-Timing : test experiment



- 5 LaBr₃:Ce detectors (Sofia)
- 7 HPGe detectors (Bucharest)

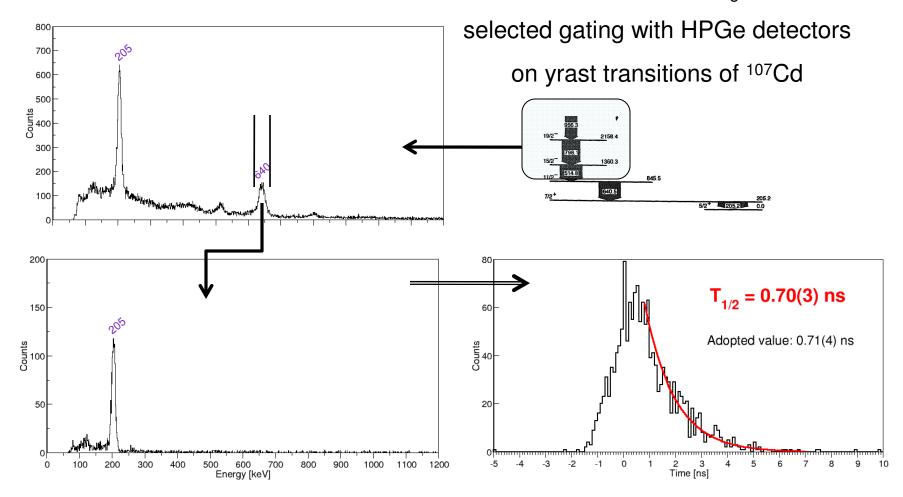
72 hours experiment, January 2009

Trigger condition Ge \geq 1 AND LaBr₃:Ce \geq 2



In-beam Fast-Timing : ¹⁰⁷Cd test case

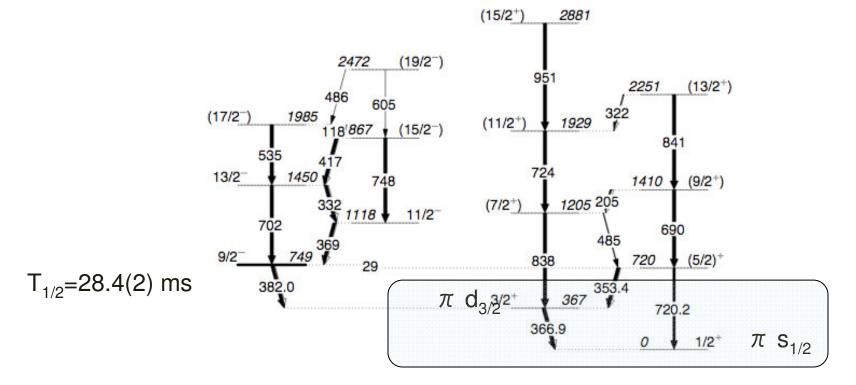
640-205 coincidence in LaBr₃:Ce detectors



Spectroscopy of ¹⁹⁹TI

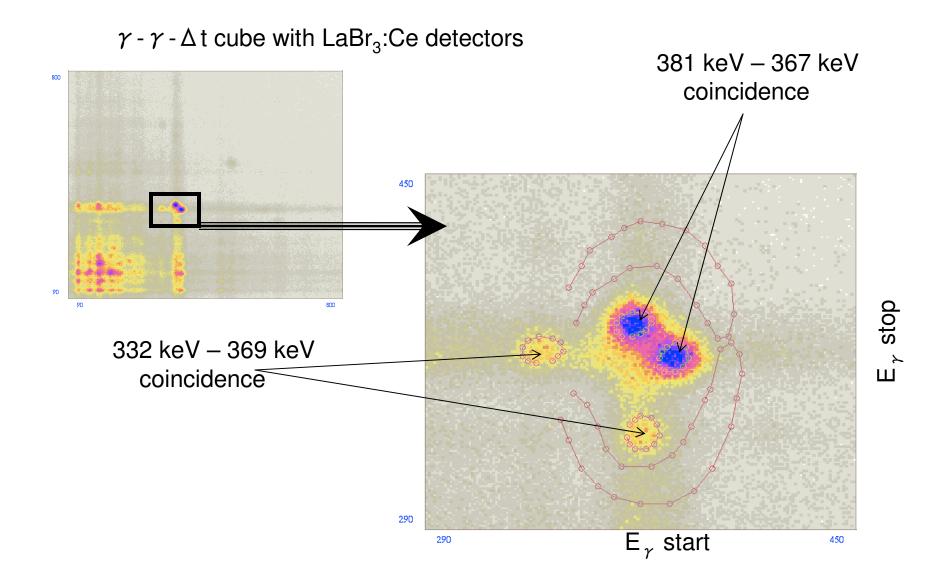
¹⁹⁷Au(α,2n)¹⁹⁹TI at 24 MeV beam energy

8 HPGe and 5 LaBr₃:Ce detectors

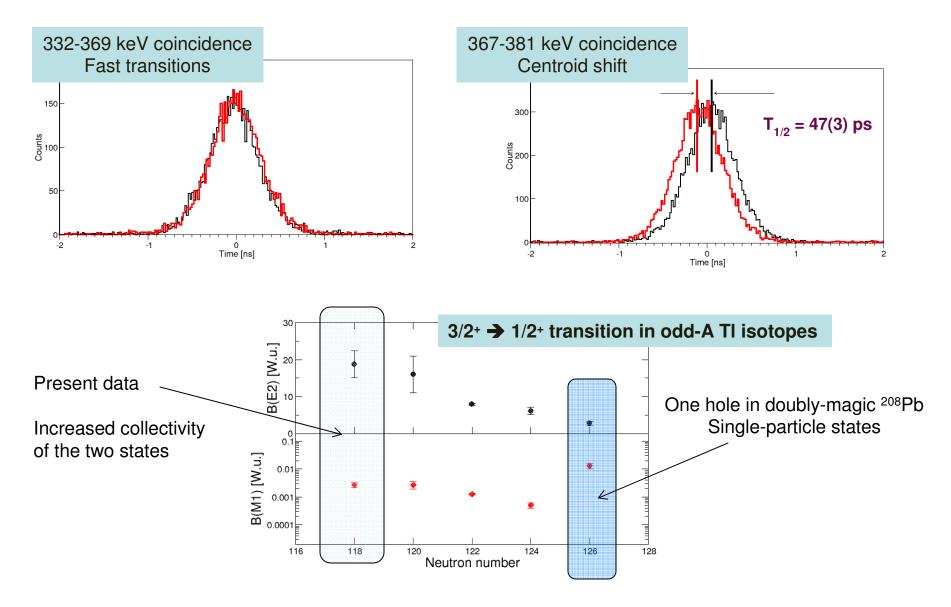


If these states have pure single-particle configurations, one expects lifetime of several hundreds of picoseconds for the 367 keV level

Lifetime of the 367 keV level



Lifetime of the 367 keV level



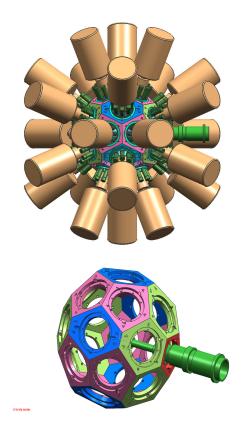
Forthcoming developments

Array of 25 HPGe 55% detectors with BGO anti-Compton shields

- Increase granularity
- Increase P/T ratio
- Increase detection efficiency

Absolute detection efficiency ~ 1%

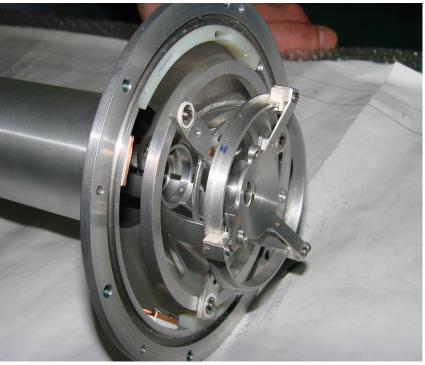
Expected commissioning : 2010-2011



Mechanical project of R. Dima (IFIN-HH)

Forthcoming developments

- 6 LaBr₃:Ce will be delivered to IFIN-HH in April 2009
- Stable fast-timing setup with 6-10 LaBr₃:Ce in coincidence with Ge detectors
- Nanosecond pulsing system, to be installed and commissioned in May 2009 at IFIN-HH Tandem accelerator
- Plunger device under construction in collaboration with IKP Köln (A. Dewald)



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