Towards Hofstadter's experiments for exotic nuclei

a novel trap of rarely-produced short-lived nuclei for electron scattering

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primary beam: p - U (350 AMeV, $\beta \sim 0.7$)goal intensity: I puA (~6x10^{12} particle/s)



Size and shapes of exotic nuclei



| | size shape | |
|---------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| proton | isotope shift | electron scattering |
| neutron | reaction cross section | proton scattering |

An example of charge distribution for exotic nuclei

E. Khan et al. : NP A800 (08) 37.



electron scattering for short-lived nuclei

key : luminosity

 $L = 10^{26} / cm^2 / s$

Ee = 200 MeV 1 week $\Delta \theta$ = 1 deg. $\Delta \phi$ = 90 deg.

Sn isotopes



How to realize electron scattering experiments off short-lived Radioactive Isotopes (RI) ?



SCRIT@RI Beam Factory

SCRIT (Self-Confining RI Target)

"lon trapping" phenomena observed at electron rings



V ~ -20 V @ 100 mA

ionized residual gases by electrons are trapped by electron beam itself.

the trapped ions kick out electrons ---> shorter beam lifetime

electron scattering !!



precise position control -> higher luminosity fast ion manipulation -> short-lived nuclei

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Time sequence of the measurement

beam lifetime of KSR $\tau \sim 100 \text{ s} @ 80 \text{ mA}$



electron scattered from the trapped Cs ions



Angular distribution of elastic events

$$\mathbf{N}(heta) = \mathbf{L} rac{\mathbf{d}\sigma}{\mathbf{d}\Omega} \cdot \mathbf{T} \int \mathbf{d}\mathbf{v} \mathbf{\Delta} \mathbf{\Omega}(heta, \mathbf{v})$$



L=1.2 x 10^{26} /cm²/s @ I_e = 80 mA (Ne=5x10¹⁷ /s)

Nion(*on e-beam*) ~ 10⁶

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Behaviors of the trapped ions in SCRIT





 T_{ION} vs. I_e



elastic event rate in 50ms



e-RI facility at RIBF

Electron ring (AURORA) : donated from Sumitomo

Currently under installation Operation in 2010



e-RI facility at RIBF

AURORA : under installation operation : 2010



Expected luminosity at AURORA

| | KSR (120 MeV) | AURORA | AURORA/KSR |
|--|------------------|----------------|------------|
| le (mA) | 80 | ≥ 300 | 4 |
| Nion | 1 | > 10 | >10 |
| au ion (ms) | 120 | much longer | |
| Nion for L=10 ²⁶ /cm ² /s | 106 | < 104 | |

At least, -10² larger luminosity will be easily achievable.
longer measuring time (typically 1 week <==> 5 hours KSR) -10
lower-emittance ion beam, better ion manipulation ... x 10^α

Summary & Outlook

SCRIT scheme

 A SCRIT prototype using (stable) ¹³³Cs ions completely mimicking short-livd nuclei (~50 ms trapping)
feasibility has been confirmed by R&D studies at KSR L = 1.2 x 10²⁶ /cm²/s with N_{ion} ~ 10⁶ at 80 mA

e-RI facility at RIKEN RIBF

Slow RI beams

ISOL based on e (γ) + U fission : under construction fragment separator + gas catcher : under discussion Electron beam electron ring (AURORA) is being installed. Operation in the next year. $E_e = 200 - 300 \text{ MeV}$, $I_e \sim 300 \text{ mA}$, $\tau_e \sim 300 \text{ min}$

A door to e-RI scattering experiment is being opened.