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Structural evolution of neutron-rich calcium isotopes

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The calcium isotopes, which have 20 protons ($Z=20$), are one of the most interesting isotopic chains to study nuclear structure. Due to the closed proton shell, the structural evolution is governed by the neutrons. Using the intense radioactive beams at RIBF, the first experimental evidence of the $N=34$ sub-shell closure was found in ^{54}Ca [1]. More recent in-beam gamma-ray spectroscopic studies aimed at a detailed study on the nature of the $N=34$ sub-shell closure of ^{54}Ca and the nuclear structures in its vicinity.

More specifically, the $N=34$ sub-shell closure of ^{54}Ca was investigated by quasifree one-neutron knockout reactions. Using the in-beam γ -ray technique tagging on the final states of ^{53}Ca , the exclusive cross sections and momentum distributions were measured. A significantly larger cross section to the $p_{3/2}$ state compared to the $f_{5/2}$ state in ^{53}Ca corroborated the arising of the $N=34$ sub-shell closure in calcium isotopes [2]. Furthermore, spectroscopic information for calcium isotopes beyond the $N=34$ sub-shell closure was obtained for the first time by measuring the de-excitation γ rays of $^{56,58}\text{Ca}$ following one-proton knockout reactions. The observations were confronted with several state-of-the-art theoretical calculations, allowing for a prediction of the structure of ^{60}Ca .

In this seminar, the study on the $N=34$ sub-shell closure of ^{54}Ca , as well as the structural information on $^{56,58}\text{Ca}$ will be discussed in detail.

[1] D. Steppenbeck et al., Nature, 502, 207-210, (2013). [2] S. Chen et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 123, 142501 (2019).

* The talk will be given in English language.

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