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## 1. Abstract

The Center for Nuclear Study (CNS) aims to elucidate the nature of nuclear system by producing the characteristic states where the Isospin, Spin and Quark degrees of freedom play central roles. These researches in CNS lead to the understanding of the matter based on common natures of many-body systems in various phases. We also aim at elucidating the explosion phenomena and the evolution of the universe by the direct measurements simulating nuclear reactions in the universe. In order to advance the nuclear science with heavy-ion reactions, we develop AVF upgrade, CRIB and SHARAQ facilities in the large-scale accelerators laboratories RIBF. The OEDO facility has been developed as an upgrade of the SHARAQ, where a RF deflector system has been introduced to obtain a good quality of low-energy beam. A new project for fundamental symmetry using heavy RIIs has been starting to install new experimental devices in the RIBF. We promote collaboration programs at RIBF as well as RHIC-PHENIX and ALICE-LHC with scientists in the world, and host international meetings and conferences. We also provide educational opportunities to young scientists in the heavy-ion science through the graduate course as a member of the department of physics in the University of Tokyo and through hosting the international summer school.

## 2. Major Research Subjects

- (1) Accelerator Physics
- (2) Nuclear Astrophysics
- (3) DONUTS/NUSPEQ
- (4) Quark physics
- (5) Nuclear Theory
- (6) OEDO/SHARAQ project
- (7) Exotic Nuclear Reaction
- (8) Fundamental Physics

## 3. Summary of Research Activity

### (1) Accelerator Physics

One of the major tasks of the accelerator group is the development of ion sources and the optimization of the beam transport system for the experimental devices installed in the E7 experiment room. In 2022, HyperECR ion source was operated for 2,151 hours. A new method for sustainable magnesium beam production was put into practical use for CRIB. The  $^{24}\text{Mg}^{8+}$  beam was successfully produced for 18 days with four breaks to refill the sample crucible. In a university-industry collaboration, a magnetic design for a new ECR ion source was proposed for industrial applications. For the development of the pepper-pot emittance monitor to diagnose the beam extracted from AVF cyclotron, an optical system with a digital camera was completed. Then, the required angular accuracy was estimated to be less than 0.3 mrad. The beam test for the prototype was planned and the preparation was started.

### (2) Nuclear astrophysics

The main activity of the nuclear astrophysics group is to study astrophysical reactions and special nuclear structure, such as clusters, using the low-energy RI beam separator CRIB. In October 2022, a  $^6\text{He}$  radioactive beam was produced for the second time at CRIB, with improved beam intensity and purity by introducing wire chambers (MWDC) and a degrader. In Mar 2023, we performed a direct measurement of astrophysical  $^{14}\text{O}(\alpha, p)$  reaction in an international collaboration with the groups in IBS (Korea), Texas A&M University (US) and others. An active-target system developed in Texas (TexAT) was brought to Japan to perform this measurement with the thick-target method using the  $^{14}\text{O}$  radioactive beam at CRIB. This was the first experiment at CRIB with participants from foreign countries after the pandemic.

### (3) DONUTS/NUSPEQ

The Low Energy Nuclear Reaction group studies exotic structures in high-isospin and/or high-spin states in nuclei. In the spring of 2022, two nuclear reactions,  $^{130}\text{Sn}(d, p)$  and  $^{56}\text{Ni}(d, p)$ , SHARAQ18 and 19, respectively, were performed at the OEDO-SHARAQ system in inverse kinematics by employing the surrogate technique, where the decay channels of the unbound states were identified directly from the measurement of reaction residues. Prior to the SHARAQ18, MS22-01 was carried out to establish a new optics for transporting the ion beam with better transmission. In winter 2022, another OEDO experiment, SHARAQ12, for the single particle structure in  $^{51}\text{Ca}$  was partially performed. The analyses of the experiments, ImPACT17-02-01, -02, and SHARAQ11,  $^4\text{He}(^8\text{He}, ^8\text{Be})4n$  reaction, are in progress. The analysis of the groundbreaking experiment on the inelastic decay from the isobaric analog resonances is almost finished. The CNS GRAPE (Gamma-Ray detector Array with Position and Energy sensitivity) is a major instrument for high-resolution in-beam gamma-ray spectroscopy. The digital signal processing equipment for the GRAPE is under development.

### (4) Quark physics

Main goal of the quark physics group is to understand the properties of hot and dense nuclear matter created by colliding heavy nuclei at relativistic energies. The group has been involved in the PHENIX experiment at Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (RHIC) at

Brookhaven National Laboratory, and the ALICE experiment at Large Hadron Collider (LHC) at CERN. As for ALICE, the group has involved in the data analyses, which include the measurement of low-mass lepton pairs in Pb-Pb collisions, the measurement of long range two particle correlations in  $p$ -Pb collisions, searches for thermal photons in high multiplicity  $pp$  collisions. The group has involved in the ALICE-TPC upgrade using a Gas Electron Multiplier (GEM), where the group is very active in the development and benchmarking of the online space-charge distortion corrections using machine learning techniques running on the Graphical Processing Unit (GPU). The group has started simulation studies for the ALICE 3 future upgrade.

#### (5) Nuclear Theory

The nuclear theory group is conducting large-scale shell-model calculations, having a strong relationship to the project “Program for Promoting Researches on the Supercomputer Fugaku.” One of the key achievements in FY2022 is finding the mechanism of the strongly hindered  $E0$  transition from the superdeformed  $0^+$  state to the ground state in  $^{40}\text{Ca}$ . We are also performing shell-model calculations for the structure of neutron-rich nuclei in collaboration with experiments carried out in RIBF, RIKEN, focusing on the region around  $^{54}\text{Ca}$ . Another important direction of our activity is application to the fundamental physics. In this year, we have found that the nuclear Schiff moment is strongly correlated to nuclear magnetic moments, which enables providing reliable Schiff moments in comparison to existing data.

#### (6) OEDO/SHARAQ project

The OEDO/SHARAQ group pursues experimental studies with RI beams by using the high-resolution beamline and the SHARAQ spectrometer, and the OEDO for the decelerated RI beams. The uniqueness of the OEDO-SHARAQ system is its versatile performance in low-energy RI production and high-resolution spectroscopy. In FY2022, taking advantage of this feature, two low-energy RI experiments for  $(d, p)$ -type surrogate reactions and a high-resolution direct mass measurement for two-proton radioactivity were performed. Through the measurements, we were able to demonstrate a smooth re-arrangement of the beamline and experimental detector setups. In addition, we installed an active stopper detector and  $\gamma$ -ray detectors for the in-flight isomeric tagging of exotic nuclei in the mass measurement program. Data analysis of performed experiments is ongoing. The experimental study of  $0^-$  strength in nuclei using the parity-transfer charge exchange ( $^{16}\text{O}, ^{16}\text{F}$ ) is in the final stage. The results of the first and second experiments with the OEDO system for LLFPs will be completed and reported soon.

#### (7) Exotic Nuclear Reaction

The Exotic Nuclear Reaction group studies various exotic reactions induced by heavy-ion beams. We proceeded with the data reduction of the double charge exchange ( $^{12}\text{C}, ^{12}\text{Be}$ ) reaction taken in the previous year for a search of double Gamow-Teller resonance.

#### (8) Fundamental Physics

The development of the quantum sensor to search for a permanent electric dipole moment (EDM) with an optical lattice interferometer is in progress at RIKEN. The RF filter was newly developed and installed to the beam transport system to obtain the secondary beam of the Fr ion with a high purity, which was used to improve the trapping efficiency of the magneto-optical trap. The parameter tuning to get high intensity cold Fr atoms in the MOT is continued. Furthermore, a homemade Yb-doped fiber amplifier (YDFA) is developed, required to generate a deep optical lattice potential that would enable a long interrogation time for the EDM measurement.

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- N. Imai (invited), "Study of the neutron capture rate on the unstable nuclei via the surrogate reactions," Workshop for the nucleosynthesis in the universe from the neutron capture, Tokyo, Japan (University of Tokyo), February 9–10, 2023.
- T. Chillery (oral), "Measurement of  $^{130}\text{Sn}(d,p)$  Reaction for Neutron-Capture Rate in  $r$ -process Nucleosynthesis," JPS Autumn 2022 meeting, Okayama, September 6–8, 2022.
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### [Seminars]

- S. Hayakawa, C2R2 Seminar "Direct and indirect methods at CRIB for nuclear astrophysical reactions," Online, Organized by CENS, IBS, June 2022.
- Y. Utsuno, "Unveiling exotic nuclear structure far from stability," Colloquium at Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Kolkata, India, December 7, 2022.
- N. Imai, "OEDO beam line at RIBF and Its physics program," Beigjing China (Tsinghua University), March 13, 2023.
- N. Imai, "The decelerating and focusing device OEDO in RIBF and the nuclear astrophysics program with the surrogate nuclear reaction," Beijing, China (Chinese Institute of Atomic Energy), March 13, 2023.
- N. Imai, "OEDO, the deceleration and focusing element at RIBF, and the physics program using OEDO," Lanzhou, China (Institute of Modern Physics), March 16, 2023.

**Awards**

S. Hanai, ANPha Award in The International Symposium on Nuclear Spectroscopy for Extreme Quantum Systems (NUSPEQ2023), Numazu, Sizuoka, Japan, March 7–9, 2023.

A. Sakaue, Poster award for young scientists, Annual meeting of A3 Foresight Program, Nuclear Physics in the 21st century, Osaka, February 13–15, 2023.

**Outreach Activity**

N. Imai “Beyond the nano scale: a femto world consisting of protons and neutrons,” Open campus of the School of Sience, the University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan, August 4, 2022.