

The 'island of inversion' from the nuclear moments perspective.

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In the past years, we have focused our research on a systematic study of the ground state magnetic moments of nuclides near and inside the island of inversion around ^{32}Mg . Through the nuclear g-factor, the magnetic moment is sensitive to the single particle configuration of the valence particles, and thus a good probe to identify the configuration of the odd particles in the ground state wave function. Precision measurements of nuclear g-factors allow to deduce information on the mixing between 'normal' and 'intruder' configurations in the ground state wave function, as demonstrated e.g. by Utsuno et al. [1] for the moments of neutron-rich Na isotopes ($Z=11$) [2].

In this talk, we will present recent results on the magnetic moments of neutron rich $^{27,29,31,33}\text{Mg}$ isotopes ($Z=12$) which were obtained from β -NMR and hyperfine structure measurements on laser-polarized beams, provided by the COLLAPS set-up at ISOLDE-CERN. The most remarkable result is the ground state spin/parity assignment for the $N=19$ nucleus ^{31}Mg , to be $I^\pi=1/2^+$ [3]. In combination with previous and recent β -spectroscopy studies [4,5], this has led to the assignment of spins and parities for the 3 lowest excited states. Comparison with large-scale shell model calculations shows that the $1/2^+$ ground state is a $2p-2h$ intruder state, and also the 3 lowest excited states are of $2p-2h$ or $1p-1h$ intruder nature.

The g-factors of neutron rich $^{31,32,33,34}\text{Al}$ and ^{35}Si isotopes have been measured at the LISE fragment separator of GANIL using spin-polarized fragment beams from projectile fragmentation and neutron pick-up reactions [6]. The influence of $2p-2h$ intruder configurations in the ground state wave function as a function of Z , going from normal deformed Si isotopes to the well-deformed Mg isotopes is observed by comparing the experimental and calculated g-factors using different model spaces [7]. All results will be discussed in terms of large-scale shell model calculations, with the aim to identify the borders of 'island of inversion' in N and Z .

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