Selected ongoing experiments in RIBRAS



Radioactive lons in Brasil (RIBRAS) facility



RIBRAS system is based on two superconducting solenoids, installed along an experimental beam line connected to the Pelletron Tandem Accelerator of 8MV.

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Secondary exotic particles are produced by nuclear reactions between the primary stable beam and a primary target, located in a primary scattering chamber (chamber 1), installed before the first solenoid.

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| secondary beam | reaction | Q _{reac} (MeV) | secondary beam | (pps) Energy/Resolution |
|--------------------|---|-------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| $^{6}\mathrm{He}$ | ${}^{9}\mathrm{Be}({}^{7}\mathrm{Li},{}^{6}\mathrm{He}){}^{8}\mathrm{Be}$ | -3.390 | 10^5 - 10^6 | $1000/22 { m ~MeV}$ |
| $^{7}\mathrm{Be}$ | $^{3}\mathrm{He}(^{6}\mathrm{Li},^{7}\mathrm{Be})\mathrm{d}$ | +0.112 | 10^4 - 10^5 | $800/18.8 { m MeV}$ |
| $^{7}\mathrm{Be}$ | ⁷ Li(⁶ Li, ⁷ Be) ⁶ He | -4.369 | 10^4 - 10^5 | $1000/22~{ m MeV}$ |
| 8 Li | ${}^{9}\mathrm{Be}({}^{7}\mathrm{Li},{}^{8}\mathrm{Li}){}^{8}\mathrm{Be}$ | +0.367 | 10^5 - 10^6 | $500/25.8 { m ~MeV}$ |
| $^{8}\mathrm{B}$ | 3 He(6 Li, 8 B)n | -1.975 | 10^4 | $1000/15.6 { m MeV}$ |
| $^{10}\mathrm{Be}$ | ${}^{9}\text{Be}({}^{11}\text{B}, {}^{10}\text{Be}){}^{10}\text{B}$ | -4.642 | 10^5 | $800/23.2 { m MeV}$ |
| $^{12}\mathrm{B}$ | ${}^{9}\mathrm{Be}({}^{11}\mathrm{B},{}^{12}\mathrm{B}){}^{10}\mathrm{B}$ | +1.705 | 10^5 | $800/25.0 { m MeV}$ |

Table: beam production at RIBRAS - reaction, intensity and energy resolution.

⁶He and ⁸B are neutron and protons halos

Secondary beam spot profile:



Direct secondary beam at zero degrees⁹Be(⁷Li,⁸Li)⁸Be



Identification spectra *A*E-E in central chamber 2







Beam purity improved after the second solenoid.



After the second solenoid, an improvement of the secondary beam purity, up to 99%, can be obtained.





The reaction chamber (chamber 3), placed after the second solenoid, is being restored.



Experimental beam line extension: turbo pump located far away from the solenoid



New chamber under operation, with two support disks, which are remotely controlled, and rotate, independently, in opposite directions (2014 – 2015).



Detectors SETUP – inside the chamber: 8 silicon detectors mounted as telescopes for testing.

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RIBRAS (CHAMBER 3): Mechanical SETUP (inside the chamber)





| Thickness (µm) | Code | Bias Voltage (V) |
|----------------|--|--|
| 50 | 51050-A | 35 |
| 1000 | 45010-E | 150 |
| 50 | 51050-J | 35 |
| 1000 | 53014-H | 140 |
| 25 | 52046-C | 20 |
| 1000 | 45010-A | 150 |
| 25 | 52046-J | 20 |
| 1000 | 44108-A | 110 |
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150 mm² or 300 mm² area

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ΔE4,E4

Outside the chamber



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RIBRAS (CHAMBER 3): & compact electronic SETUP





16 detection + electronic channels (16 pre-amp+amplifiers) 16 HV (0-500V) connections



Faraday box, projected with the following objectives:

- Mechanical support
 Electronics coupling
 Electromagnetic isolation
- 2 set of preamps + amplifiers (MSI-8 model from Mesytec);
- 8 electronic channels each module 16 channels (2 modules).

results

Resonant reactions measurements using thick targets. CH₂ proton rich plastic foils are used as targets to study resonant scattering:

□ *p*(⁶*He*,*p*) ⁶*He*;

 \Box $p(^{6}He, \alpha)t;$

 $\Box p(^{8}Li,p)^{8}Li;$

 \Box $p(^{8}Li,\alpha)^{5}He;$

 $\Box \ p(^{8}Li,d)^{7}Li;$

AND

→ ¹²⁰Sn(⁶He,⁴He)¹²⁰Sn+2n.





¹²⁰Sn(⁶He,α)X reaction





different degrees of freedom (to place detectors) single alpha events

<u>A little of physics</u>

¹²⁰Sn(⁶He, α)X transfer or breakup?Large yield of alpha particles being produced



in the fusion hindrance above barrier.

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¹²⁰Sn(⁶He,α)¹²²Sn





But for breakup Q<0 !



6 He+ 120 Sn — 120 Sn(6 He, α) 122 Sn

alpha energy distributions @ 60 deg lab



TABLE I. Experimental differential α -production cross sections (energy integrated) for the ¹²⁰Sn(⁶He, α) reaction.

| $\overline{E_{\text{lab}}}$ (MeV) | $	heta_{	ext{lab}}$ | σ_{α} (mb) | Ref. |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|-----------|
| 17.4 | 60 | 180 (43) | [27] |
| 18.1 | 60 | 188 (33) | [27] |
| 19.8 | 60 | 204 (44) | [27] |
| 20.3 | 60 | 167 (19) | this work |
| 20.5 | 60 | 160 (30) | [27] |
| 22.2 | 40 | 380 (20) | this work |
| | 36 | 500 (20) | this work |
| 22.4 | 60 | 208 (15) | this work |
| 24.5 | 60 | 158 (18) | this work |



$$\mathbf{f}(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2) + \frac{1}{2}m_t v(R_y - R_A) + \frac{R}{v} \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{0}$$

 Inear and angular momentum matching conditions.

Brink`s equation gives Q-value that maximizes transfer cross section: from the reaction Q-values one calculates the excitation energy:

 $E_{exc}=Q_{gs} - Q$

and from the Brink's formula one obtains the final angular momentum.

 λ_1 and λ_2 are the initial and final angular momenta of the transfered neutrons:

for $\lambda_1 = 1$ one gets a nice linear relation



Projectiles: 6He, 8Li, 8B, 7Be, 12B ...

targets: 9Be, 12C, 27Al, 58Ni, 120Sn, 197Au (normalization) for medium mass and heavy targets Coulomb+nuclear for light targets 9Be, 12C nuclear interaction dominates

Physics: to study the nuclear potential, Coulomb-nuclear interplay

low energy elastic scattering, provides information of the nuclear potential and the total reaction cross section. inelastic scattering, nuclear deformations transfer reactions, spectroscopic factors breakup and fusion reactions

RIBRAS handicaps:

- Residual magnetic field around the solenoids prevent the use of detectors based in electron collection in vacuum tubes such as the old photomultipliers os gas detectors such as ionization chambers, proportional counters ...

- Strong secondary neutron beam coming from the primary target. Damage to Germanium detectors.

Ongoing experiments in RIBRAS

Particle-gamma coincidence measurements using LYSO cristals to detect the gammas:

- Measurements of inelastic excitation and fusion.











⁸B+⁹Be fusion

- a 23 MeV ⁸B beam produced by the ³He(⁶Li,⁸B) reaction (gas target)
- ⁹Be secondary target
- detect the protons distribution (decay of the proton rich compound system ¹⁷F*)
- measure the TOF to identify the incidente particle in the target.

Very exotic system: ⁸*B* (*Eb*=0.137 *MeV proton halo candidate*) ⁹*Be* 1.66 *MeV binding energy.*

- <u>Elastic scattering of ⁸Li on several targets: ⁹Be, ⁵⁸Ni and ¹²⁰Sn.</u>
- <u>Two-neutron transfer 9Be(7Be,9Be) reaction</u>

Future setups: Large area Double Side silicon Strip Detectors for particle <u>coincidences measurements</u>



we have:

- DSSD 20 microns
- DSSD 65 microns
- Pad detectors

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The system is presently installed in a neighbour beam line for tests with stable beams

It would be very interesting to detect neutrons.

Neutron detection Is difficult but we have two large neutron walls in the laboratory. liquid scintillators.





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