PROPOSAL FOR EXPERIMENT AT RCNP

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TITLE:

Investigation of the Molecular States in ¹¹B and ¹³C

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Center for Nuclear Study, University of Tokyo	PD
Center for Nuclear Study, University of Tokyo	PD
Center for Nuclear Study, University of Tokyo	M1
Center for Nuclear Study, University of Tokyo	M1
Department of Physics, Saitama University	D1
RCNP, Osaka University	P
RCNP, Osaka University	AP
RCNP, Osaka University	AP
RCNP, Osaka University	PD
RCNP, Osaka University	PD
RCNP, Osaka University	PD
RCNP, Osaka University	D3
RCNP, Osaka University	D2
RCNP, Osaka University	D2
RCNP, Osaka University	D1
RCNP, Osaka University	D1
RCNP, Osaka University	M2
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RUNNING TIME: Installation time without beam 3.0 days

Setup and beam tuning time 1.0 day
Data runs 5.0 days

BEAM LINE: Ring: WS course

BEAM REQUIREMENTS: Type of particle

4He⁺⁺

Beam energy 400 MeVBeam intensity $\leq 10 \text{ pnA}$

Energy resolution $\leq 150 \text{ keV}$

halo-free, small emittance

BUDGET: Experimental expenses 500,000 yen

Travel plans - 8 participants should be supported by RCNP

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SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSAL

It is well known that many light nuclei possess a prominent cluster structure and the α particle plays an important role as a constituent of the cluster state. For example, it has been suggested that the 7.65-MeV 0_2^+ state in $^{12}{\rm C}$ has an 3α -like molecular configuration. Recently, the cluster models have been applied to the neutron-rich nuclei, and the molecular structures where the excess neutrons act as the covalent particles have been discussed.

Miline and Oertzen pointed out that the $1/2_2^-$ state at $E_x = 8.86$ MeV and the $1/2_2^+$ state at $E_x = 10.996$ MeV in ¹³C are considered to have a neutron in the $p_{1/2}$ and $2s_{1/2}$ orbits, respectively, coupled to the 0_2^+ state in ¹²C. These two states may have the triangular three α -particle structure. In these states, the valence neutron may play a role to stabilize the three α -particle structure to a triangular shape.

On the other hand, an analogous cluster state to the 0_2^+ state in 12 C has been observed in 11 B as well as 13 C. The $3/2_3^-$ state at $E_x = 8.56$ MeV, which is not predicted by the shell-model calculation, is considered to be a cluster state with a proton hole in the $p_{3/2}$ orbit coupled to the 0_2^+ state in 12 C.

We propose to study the molecular cluster states by measuring the inelastic alpha scattering on ¹³C, ¹²C, and ¹¹B at forward angles including 0°. A comparison of the cluster states in ¹³C, ¹²C, and ¹¹B is expected to provide an insight into the molecular structure in light nuclei. We are also aiming to search for another group of the molecular states in which a valence neutron or a proton hole is coupled to the 10.3-MeV state in the continuum spectra by the multipole decomposition analysis.