Lifetime measurements in 128 Xe using the Coulex-plunger technique in inverse kinematics.

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The lifetimes of the lowest collective yrast and non-yrast states in 128 Xe were measured in a Coulomb excitation experiment using the recoil-distance method (RDM) in inverse kinematics. Hereby, the Cologne plunger apparatus was employed togethr with the JUROGAM spectrometer. Excited states in 128 Xe were populated via projectile Coulomb excitation in inverse kinematics, i.e. by using a 128 Xe beam impinging on a nat Fe target with $E(^{128}Xe)\approx525$ MeV. Recoils were detected by means of a ring of solar cells placed at forward angles. Recoil-gated γ spectra were measured at different plunger distances. The main goal of this experiment was to check the E(5) dynamical symmetry character of 128 Xe. Preliminary results will be presented.