

High resolution study of Gamow-Teller transitions in ^{45}Sc nucleus

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In the early stage of the core collapse of supernovae, studying the weak nuclear response, especially the Gamow-Teller (GT) transitions of pf-shell nuclei is one of the key issues in nuclear and astrophysics [1]. Therefore, electron capture and β decay of pf-shell nuclei that mainly proceed by GT transitions play important roles [2].

In order to study the detail of the GT transition strengths starting from one of the $T_z=3/2$ pf-shell nucleus ^{45}Sc , where $T_z=(1/2)(N-Z)$, performed a 0° experiment at an intermediate energies of 140 MeV/nucleon at the Research Center for Nuclear Physics (RCNP) in Osaka [3-4] by using the magnetic spectrometer Grand Raiden (GR) [5] and applied the dispersion-matching techniques for the beam transportation in order to achieve high resolution. In ^{45}Ti spectra energy resolution of ~ 35 keV was achieved and the discrete states were observed up to 8.5 MeV [6].

By using high resolution ($^3\text{He},t$) reactions, the project to obtain $B(\text{GT})$ distributions in pf-shell nuclei is in progress. It is expected that they can be used for the understanding of various astrophysical phenomena.

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