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"Alpha-clustering and discrete point-group symmetries in nuclei: How to assess the role of alpha-clustering in Carbon-12"

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Abstract:

Clustering in light nuclei and the existence of nuclear molecular states is a very important phenomenon, that is linked with several branches of physics: nuclear forces and nuclear structure, molecular physics, symmetries and group theory. In this lecture, aimed at B.Sc. and Ph.D. students, I will recall the basic phenomenological facts and models related to alpha-clustering and molecular structures and I will introduce the basic mathematical tools to deal with discrete point-groups in quantum mechanical systems. Building on this knowledge, we will discuss how the scattering of polarized gamma rays on ^{12}C can be used to identify with certainty the geometric shape of a cluster structure through the comparison of measurements of the depolarization ratio with a list of possible theoretical scenarios. All the possible outcomes have been calculated and collected in a table (PRC 99, 031302(R) (2019)) that will be explained.

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