



## Master thesis at the Institute for Astroparticle physics (IAP)



**Description and task of the work:** For the upcoming TRISTAN measurements (2026) for the search of sterile neutrinos with tritium, calibration measurements with gaseous Krypton-83m will be mandatory. For detailed understanding of the line position and shape parameters of the various conversion electrons using a differential detector, measurements with a solid Rb/Kr source can be performed at the Monitor spectrometer (MoS).

This thesis combines hardware work at the MoS regarding Ultra-high-vacuum (UHV), superconducting magnets and radioactive sources with measurements and analysis of data taken with a TRISTAN 166 pixel detector module and simulations of the MoS with implementation of the detector geometry in Kassiopeia.

## The basic topics of the work are:

- Operation of a KATRIN-like spectrometer
- · Data acquisition with the latest technology silicon drift detector
- Take over design in Kassiopeia simulations

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107 168 Detector S0-166-4 156 10<sup>6</sup> Combined spectra 144 132 Counts / 200 eV 10<sup>4</sup> / 200 eV 10<sup>3</sup> / 10<sup>2</sup> 120 108 Si escape 96 Pixel 84 Backscattering tail 72 60 10<sup>2</sup> 48 36 L-32 10<sup>1</sup> 24 M-3 12 10<sup>0</sup> 25 ō 5 10 15 20 30 35 Energy (keV)

The work is carried out at the IAP on the north campus.