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**The  $8\pi$  Spectrometer: A Detector Array for Decay Spectroscopy<sup>1</sup>**

W.D. KULP, Georgia Tech,  $8\pi$  COLLABORATION — The  $8\pi$  spectrometer, an array of 20 Compton-suppressed HPGe detectors arranged in a regular icosahedral geometry, was originally designed for  $\gamma$ -ray coincidence spectroscopy following heavy-ion reactions. At TRIUMF/ISAC-I, the  $8\pi$  has been recommissioned for studies of rare radioactive decays. The symmetry of the array virtually eliminates the effects of  $\gamma - \gamma$  angular correlations when the integrated array is used in coincidence spectroscopy. When  $\gamma - \gamma$  coincidences are analyzed by the five possible angles between detector pairs, however, rich angular correlation information may be extracted. Results from angular correlation decay studies with the  $8\pi$  will be presented and implications for high-granularity detector arrays will be discussed.

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