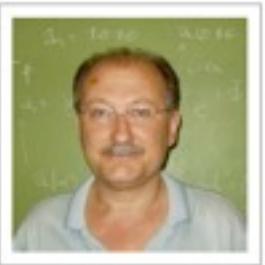


Proxy SU(3) for Nuclear Structure

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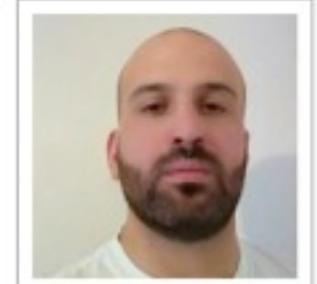


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Who are we?

Elliott SU(3) Symmetry

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Collective motion in the nuclear shell model

I. Classification schemes for states of mixed configurations

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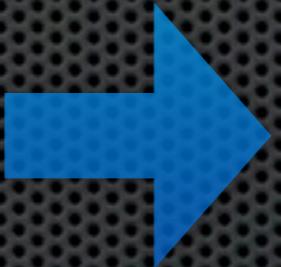
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The first algebraic Nuclear Model with microscopic
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Elliott's Breakthrough

Shell Model
Space



All the
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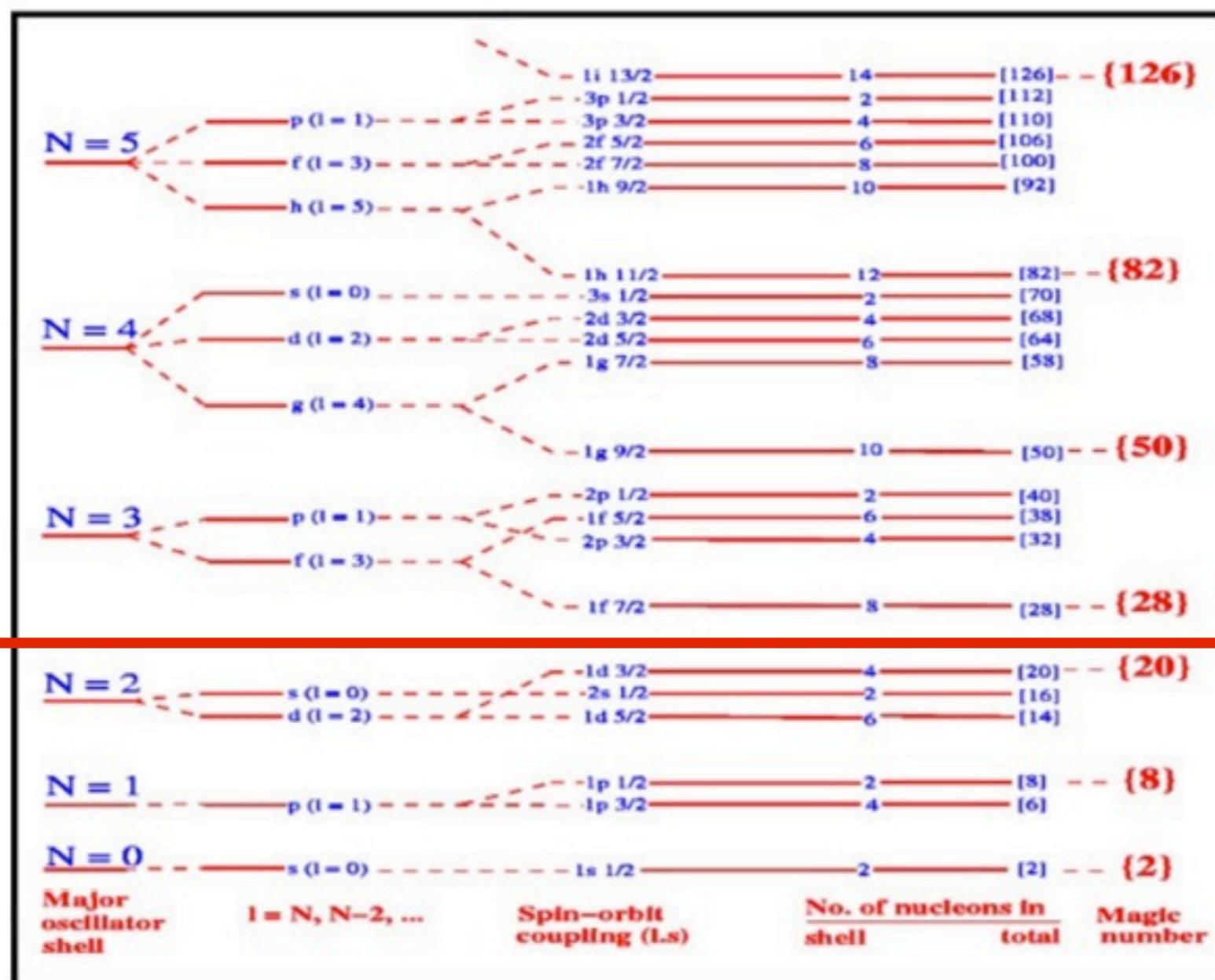
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SU(3) Symmetry

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Orbitals differing per 1 quantum in the z axis

Emergent Collectivity in Nuclei and Enhanced Proton-Neutron Interactions

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The replacement of orbitals

Table 2: Nilsson orbitals for the nucleons between 20 and 50. Due to the ls interaction the $1f_{7/2}$ orbital is excluded from the shell under discussion, while the $1g_{9/2}$ orbital is included. Thus the harmonic oscillator shell 20-40, becomes the nuclear shell 28-50. The 28-50 shell consists of some orbitals with $\mathcal{N} = 3$ and some orbitals with $\mathcal{N} = 4$ quanta [14]. Therefore the Elliott SU(3) symmetry is not valid in the 28-50 shell.

Shell model	$K[\mathcal{N}n_z\Lambda]$	$ n_zrs\Sigma\rangle$
$1g_{9/2}$	9/2[404]	$ 040+\rangle$
	7/2[413]	$ 130+\rangle$
	5/2[422]	$ 220+\rangle$
	3/2[431]	$ 310+\rangle$
	1/2[440]	$ 400+\rangle$
$2p_{1/2}$	1/2[301]	$ 021-\rangle$
	5/2[303]	$ 030-\rangle$
	3/2[301]	$ 021+\rangle$
	1/2[310]	$ 111+\rangle$
$2p_{3/2}$	3/2[312]	$ 120-\rangle$
	1/2[321]	$ 210-\rangle$
$1f_{7/2}$	7/2[303]	$ 030+\rangle$
	5/2[312]	$ 120+\rangle$
	3/2[321]	$ 210+\rangle$
	1/2[330]	$ 300+\rangle$

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1st Proxy SU(3) Publication

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Proxy-SU(3) symmetry in heavy deformed nuclei

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Background: Microscopic calculations of heavy nuclei face considerable difficulties due to the sizes of the matrices that need to be solved. Various approximation schemes have been invoked, for example by truncating the spaces, imposing seniority limits, or appealing to various symmetry schemes such as pseudo-SU(3). This paper proposes a new symmetry scheme also based on SU(3). This proxy-SU(3) can be applied to well-deformed nuclei, is simple to use, and can yield analytic predictions.

Purpose: To present the new scheme and its microscopic motivation, and to test it using a Nilsson model calculation with the original shell model orbits and with the new proxy set.

Method: We invoke an approximate, analytic, treatment of the Nilsson model, that allows the above vetting and yet is also transparent in understanding the approximations involved in the new proxy-SU(3).

Results: It is found that the new scheme yields a Nilsson diagram for well-deformed nuclei that is very close to the original Nilsson diagram. The specific levels of approximation in the new scheme are also shown, for each major shell.

Conclusions: The new proxy-SU(3) scheme is a good approximation to the full set of orbits in a major shell. Being able to replace a complex shell model calculation with a symmetry-based description now opens up the possibility to predict many properties of nuclei analytically and often in a parameter-free way. The new scheme works best for heavier nuclei, precisely where full microscopic calculations are most challenged. Some cases in which the new scheme can be used, often analytically, to make specific predictions, are shown in a subsequent paper.

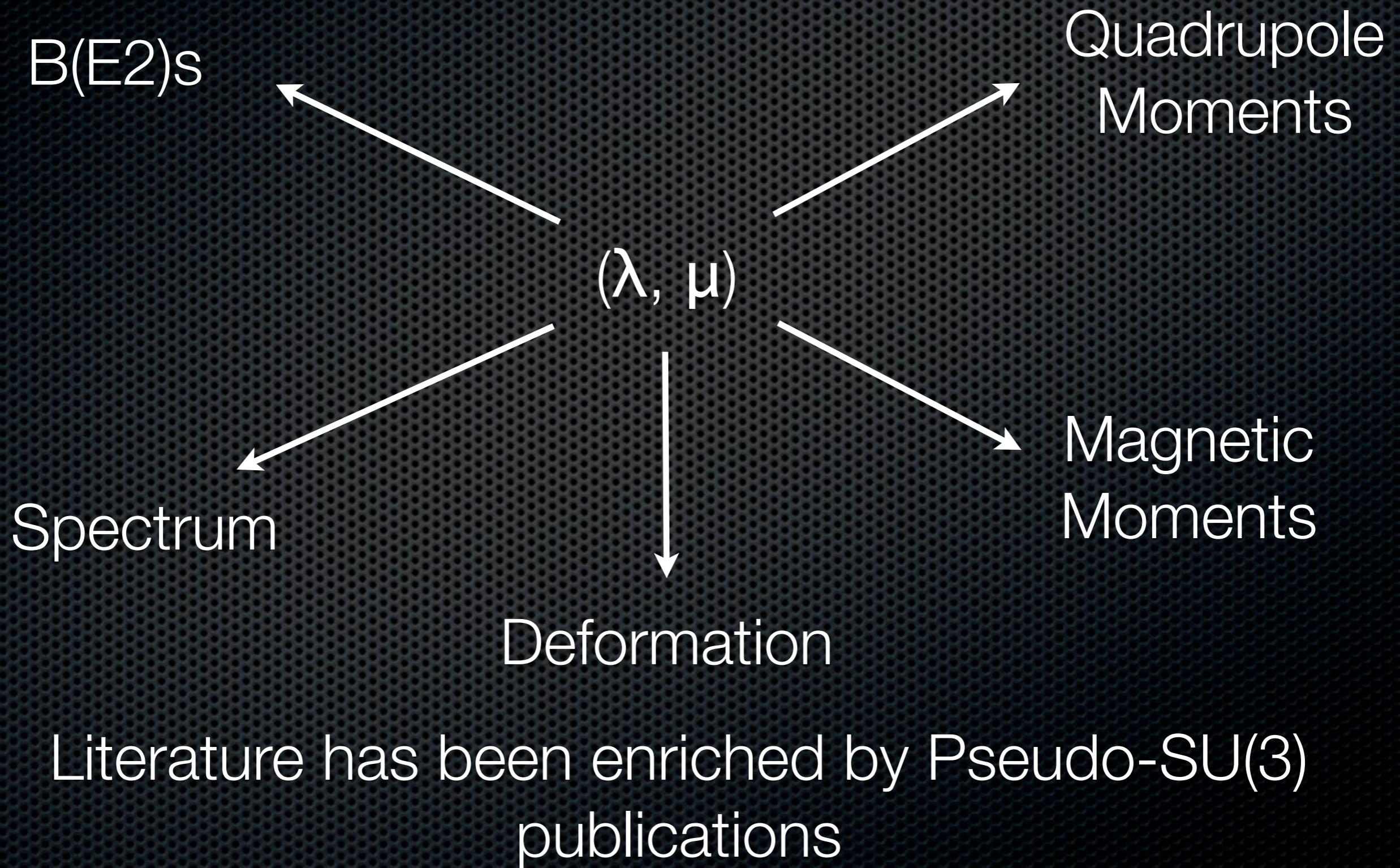
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The effect on the Hamiltonian

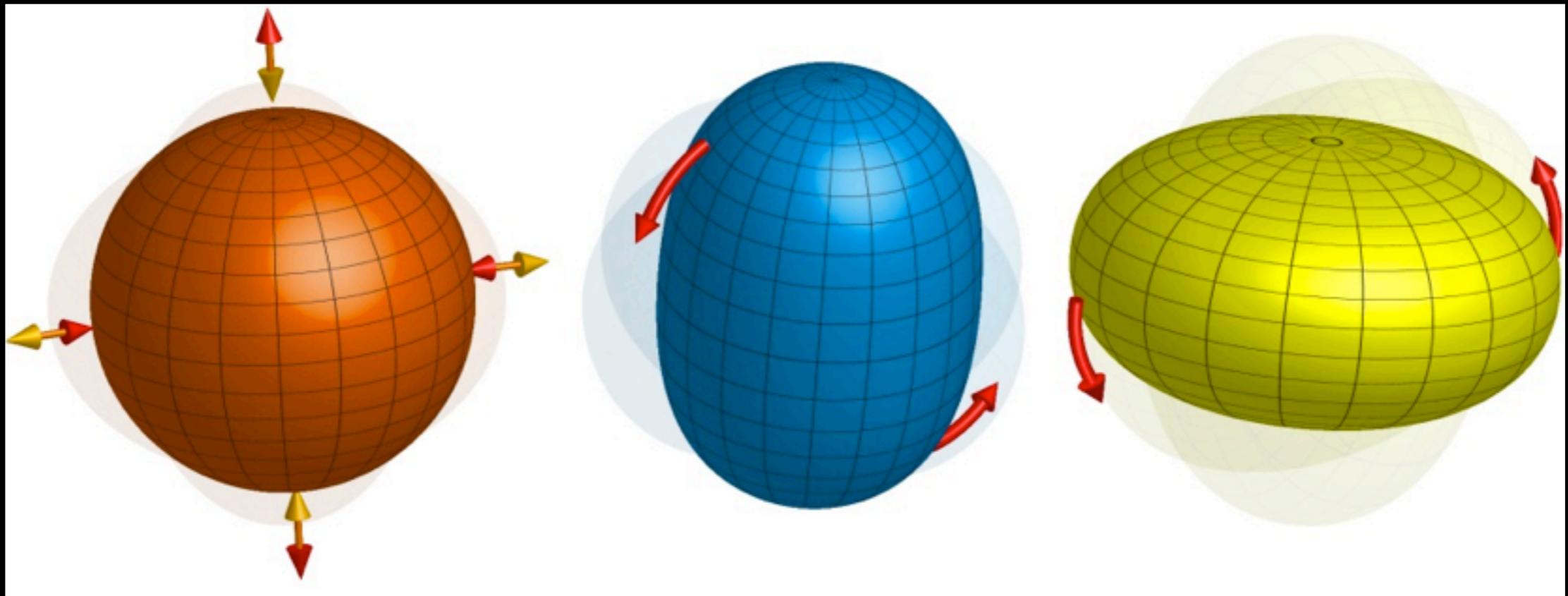
TABLE V. Same as Table III, but for the H matrix elements with $\epsilon = 0.3$ for Nilsson orbitals in the 50–82 proton shell (upper part) and in the sdg proton shell (lower part). Note again that these calculations use the asymptotic wave functions defined in Sec. III. The deformation comes in only through the linear dependence on epsilon of the diagonal matrix elements of H_{osc} . See Sec. IV A for further discussion.

	$\frac{1}{2}[400]$	$\frac{1}{2}[411]$	$\frac{3}{2}[402]$	$\frac{1}{2}[420]$	$\frac{3}{2}[411]$	$\frac{5}{2}[402]$	$\frac{1}{2}[431]$	$\frac{3}{2}[422]$	$\frac{5}{2}[413]$	$\frac{7}{2}[404]$	$\frac{1}{2}[550]$	$\frac{3}{2}[541]$	$\frac{5}{2}[532]$	$\frac{7}{2}[523]$	$\frac{9}{2}[514]$	$\frac{11}{2}[505]$
1/2[400]	6.28	-0.13	0	0.22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1/2[411]		5.74	0	0.18	0	0	0.27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3/2[402]			6.26	0	0.16	0	0	0.19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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5/2[413]									5.56	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7/2[404]										5.93	0	0	0	0	0	0
1/2[550]											5.88	0	0	0	0	0
3/2[541]												5.81	0	0	0	0
5/2[532]													5.82	0	0	0
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5/2[422]													5.82	0	0	0
7/2[413]														5.98	0	0
9/2[404]															6.22	

SU(3) Observables



Nuclear Shape



spherical

prolate

oblate

Parameter free shape predictions

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Analytic predictions for nuclear shapes, prolate dominance, and the prolate-oblate shape transition in the proxy-SU(3) model

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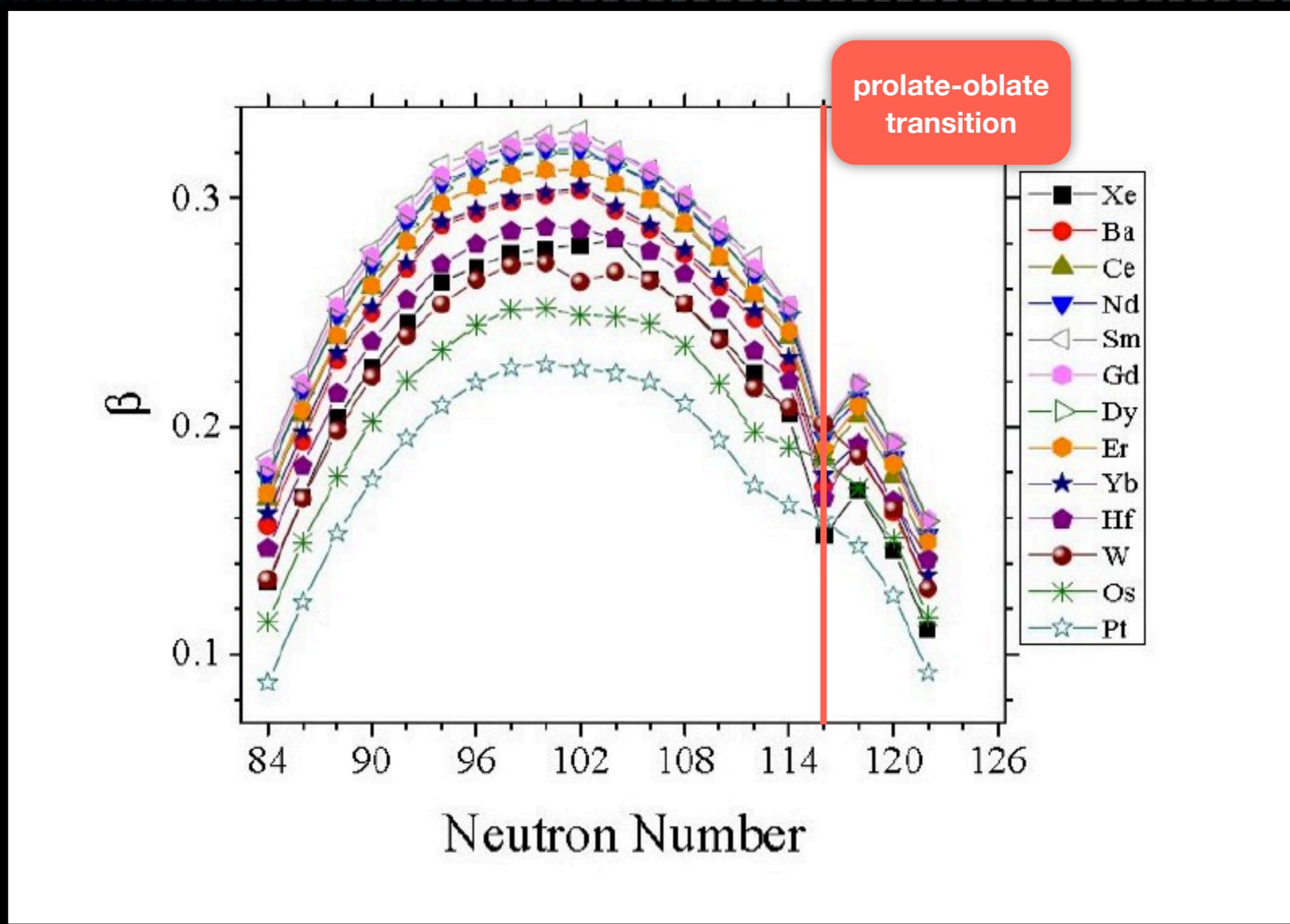
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Using a new approximate analytic parameter-free proxy-SU(3) scheme, we make simple predictions of shape observables for deformed nuclei, namely γ and β deformation variables, the global feature of prolate dominance, and the locus of the prolate-oblate shape transition. The predictions are compared with empirical results.

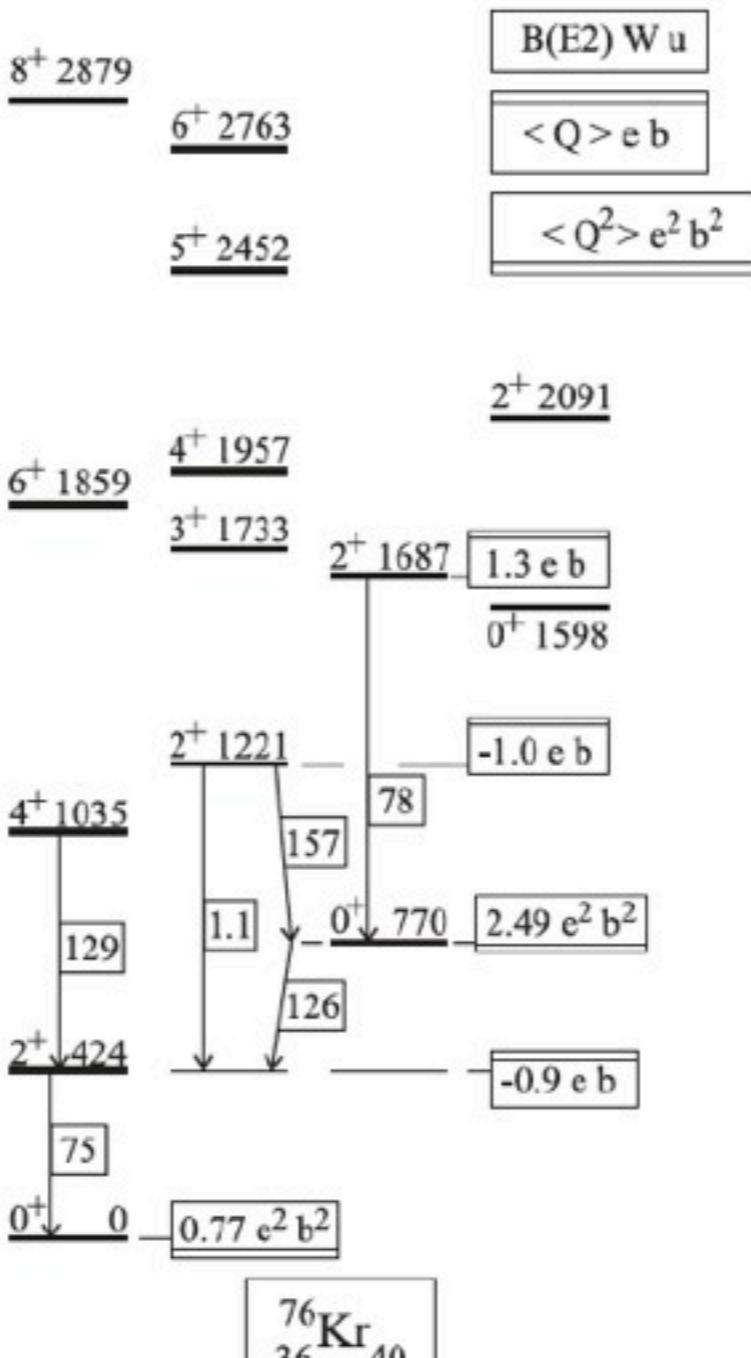
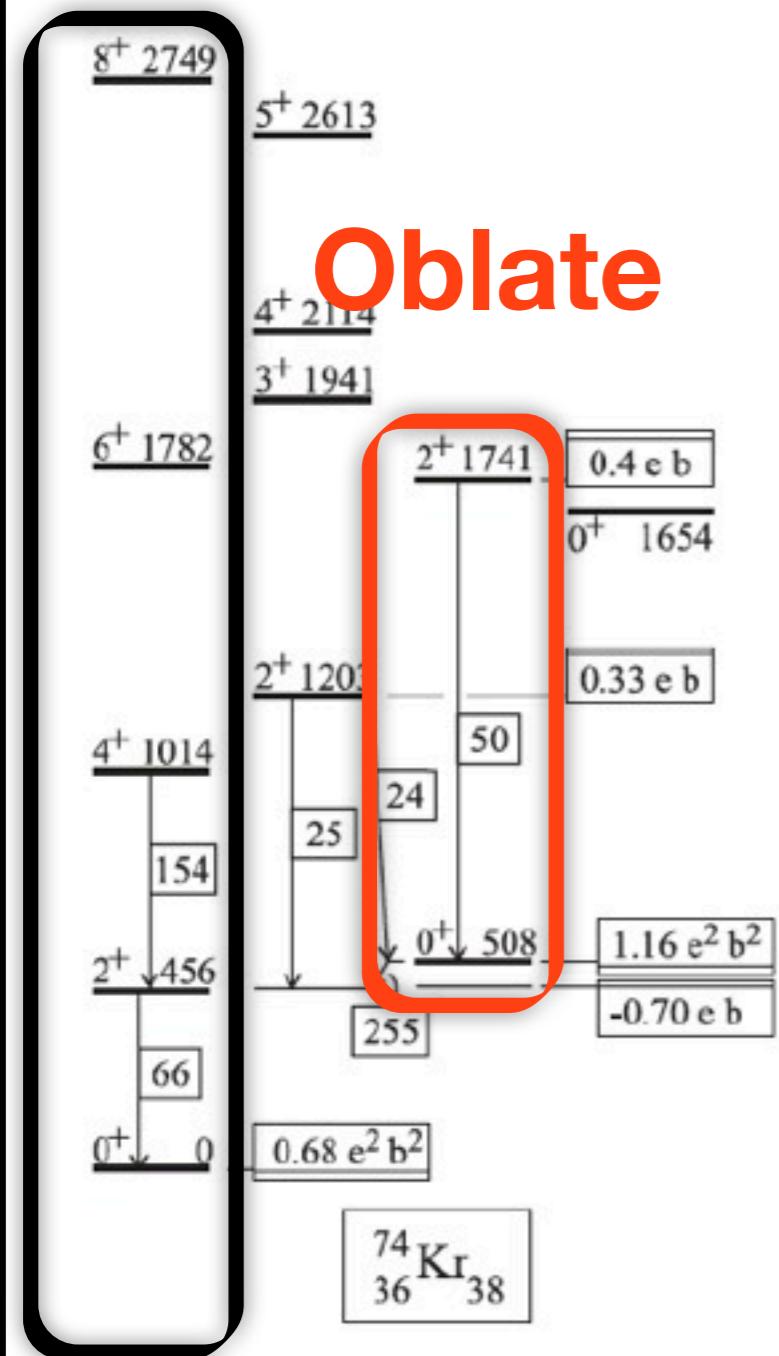
Prolate over oblate dominance



The shape coexistence project

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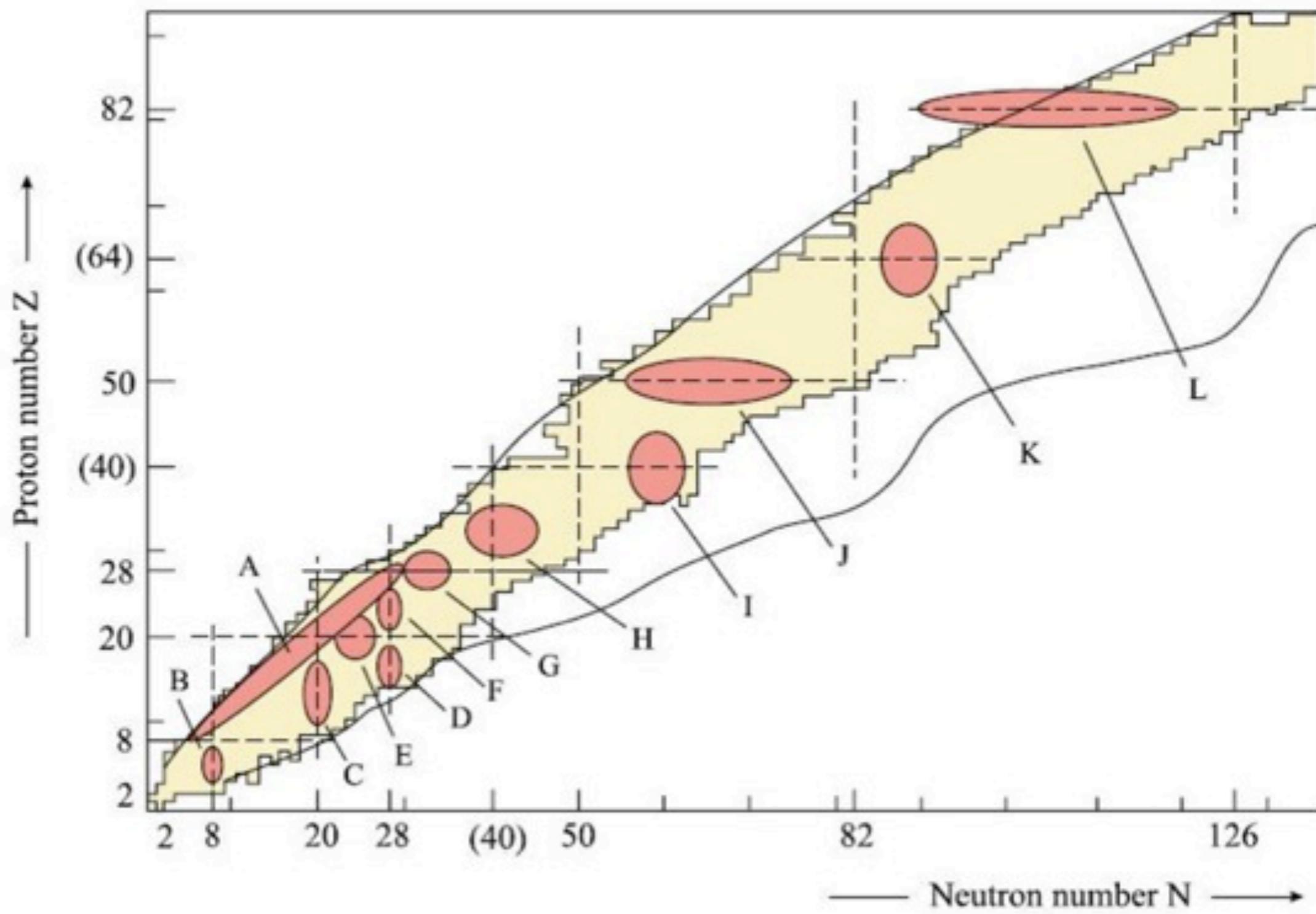
Prolate



Manifestation
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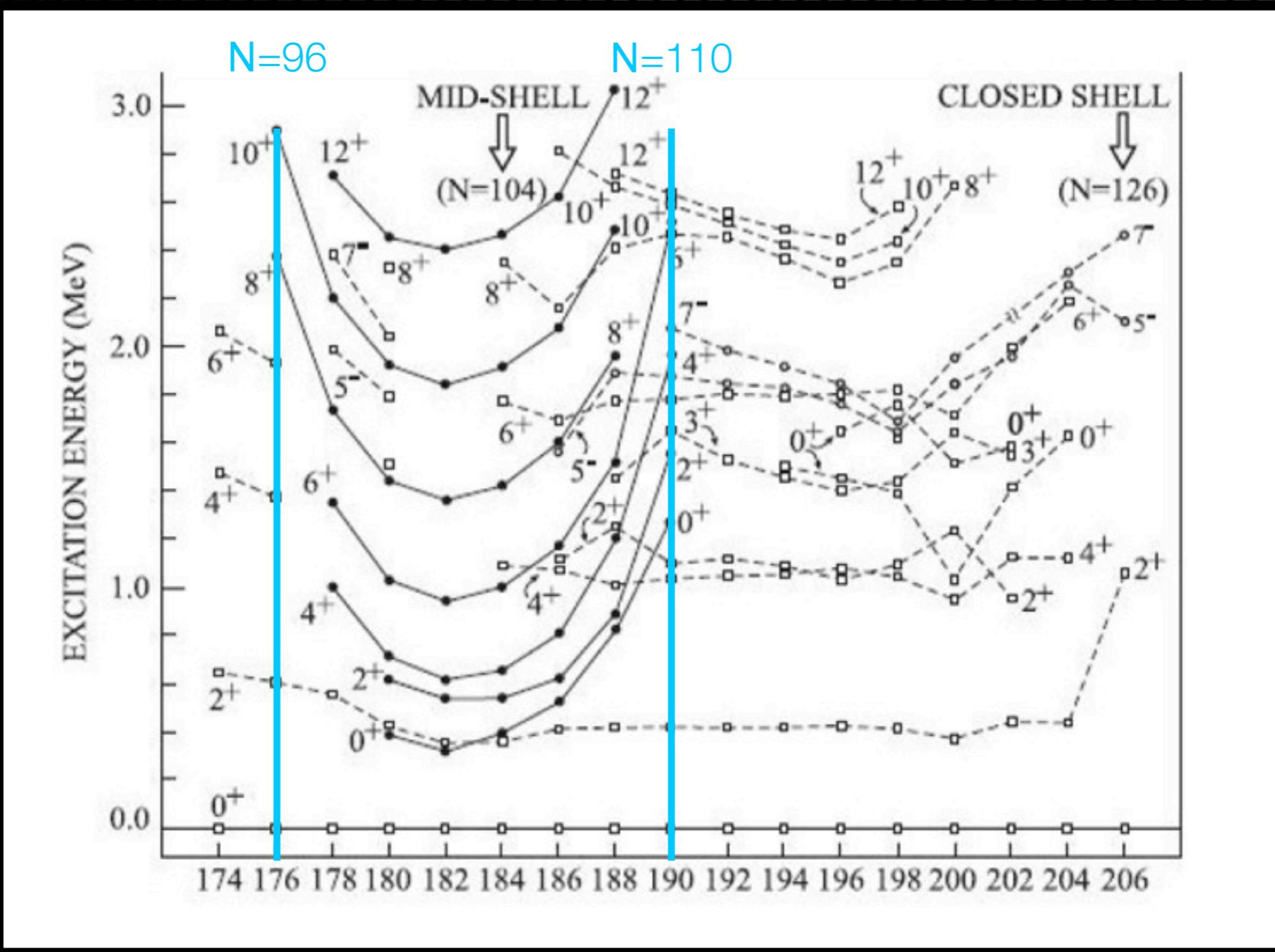
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Islands of coexistence



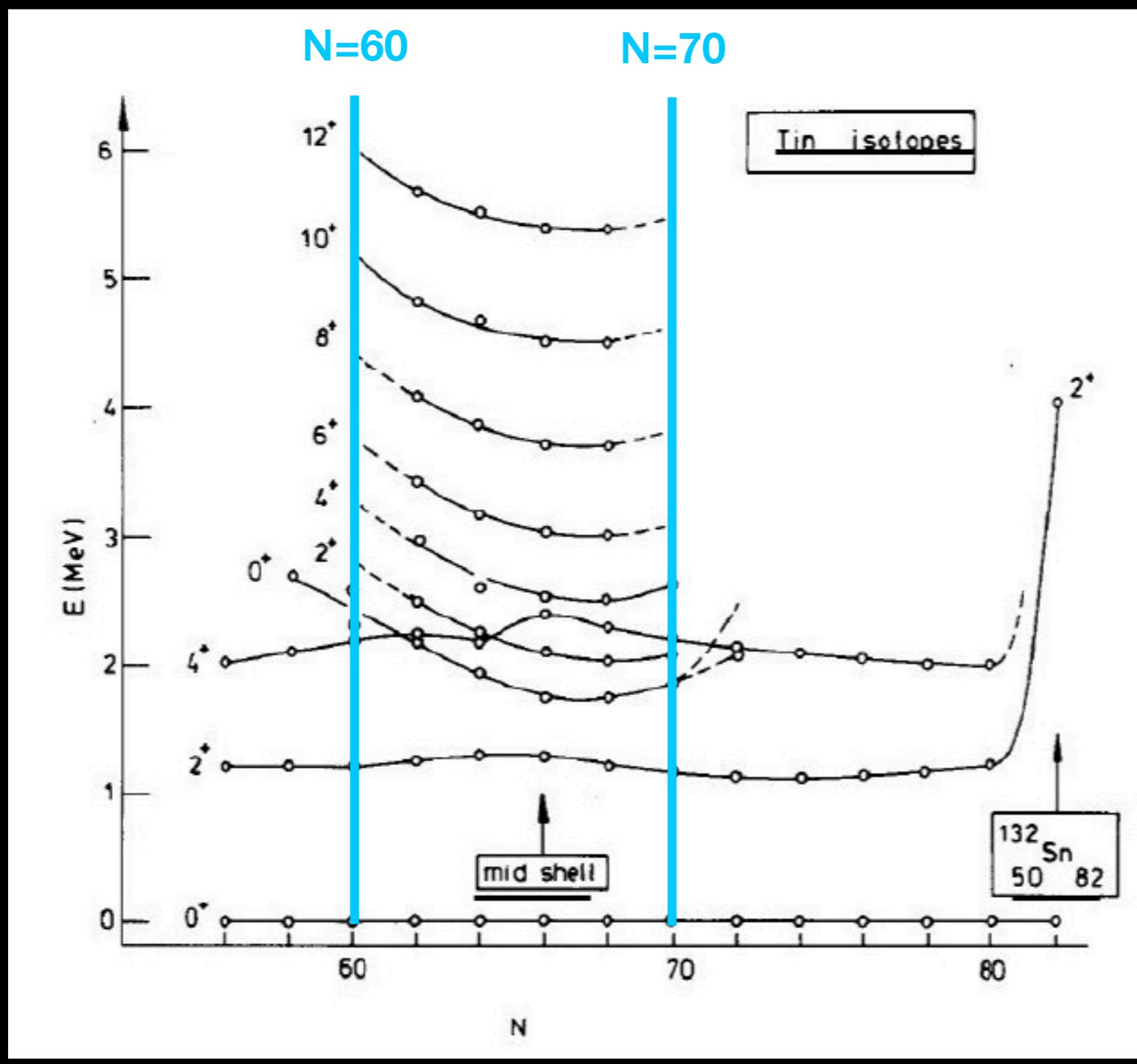
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Hg isotopes



Why?

Sn isotopes



Why?

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The collective quadrupole interaction

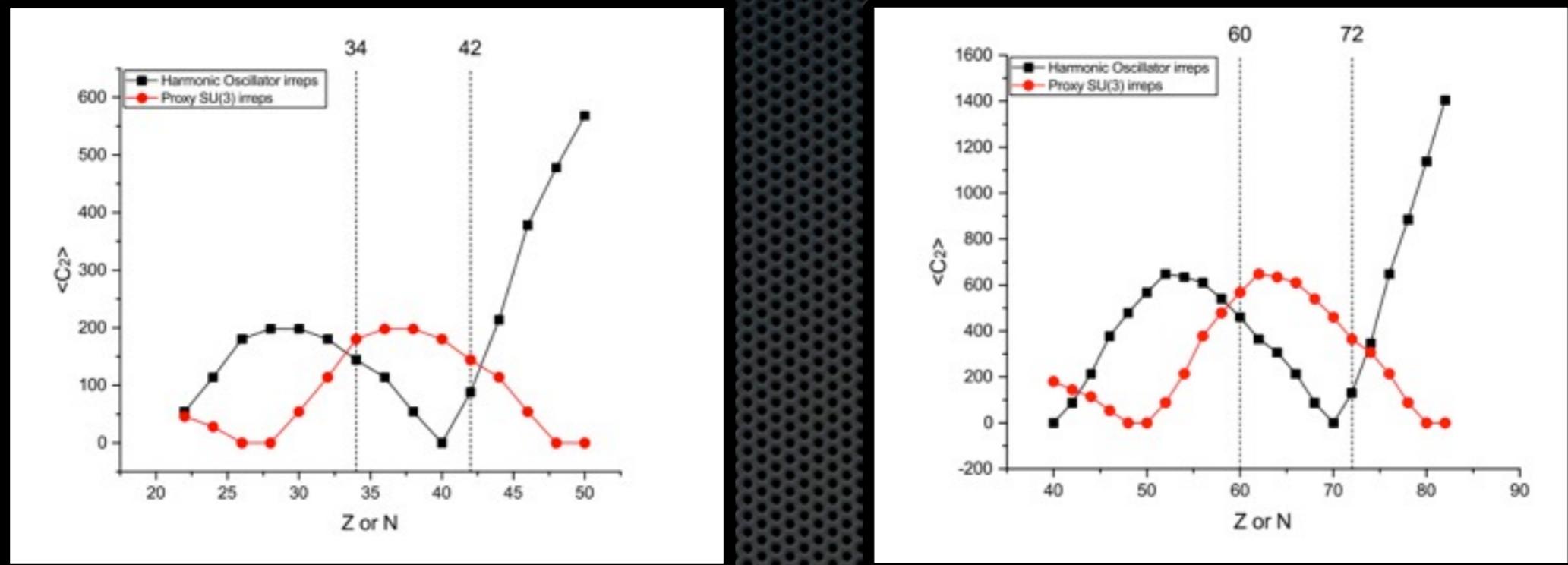
$$Q \cdot Q = 4C_2 - 3L^2,$$
$$C_2 = \lambda^2 + \mu^2 + \lambda\mu + 3(\lambda + \mu),$$
$$\beta^2 = \frac{4\pi}{5(A\bar{r}^2)^2}(C_2 + 3)$$

O. Castanos et al., Z. Phys. A, 329, 33-43, (1988).

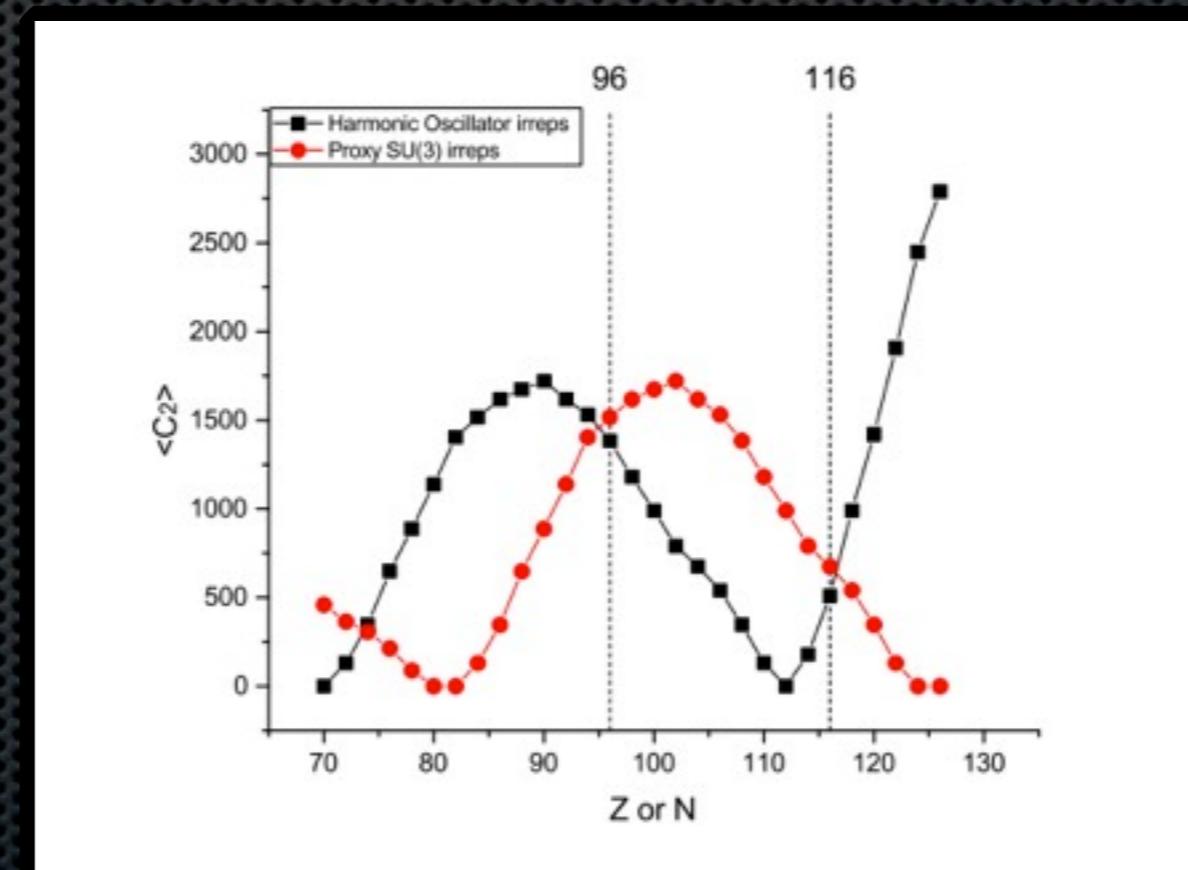
$$\gamma = \arctan \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}(\mu + 1)}{2\lambda + \mu + 3} \right)$$

- (λ, μ) are the quantum numbers of SU(3). They depend on the choice of magic numbers. β is the deformation and γ is the angle which distinguishes prolate from oblate.

The islands of coexistence



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Experiment in ^{180}Hf

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Collectivity and shape coexistence in ^{180}Hf

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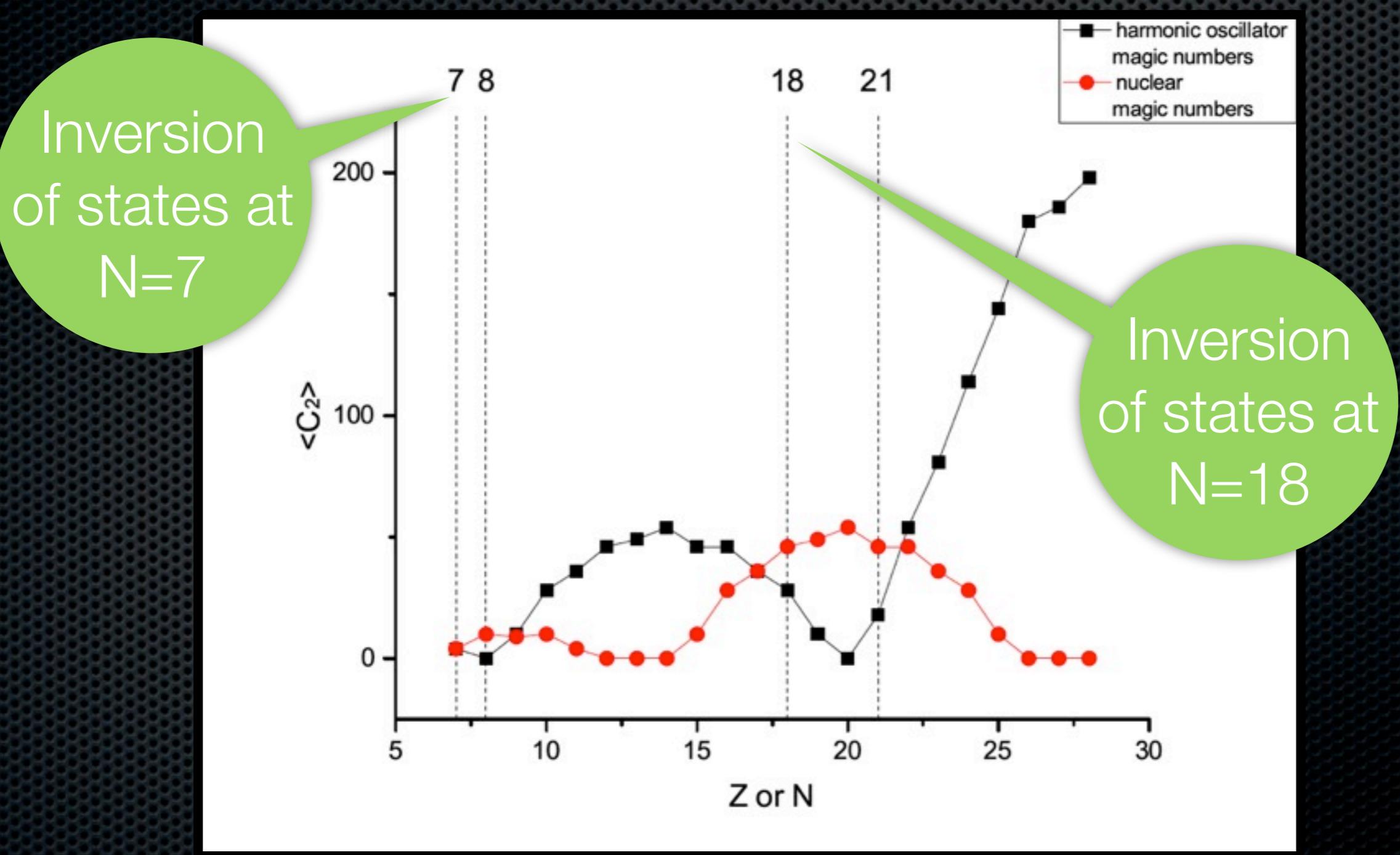
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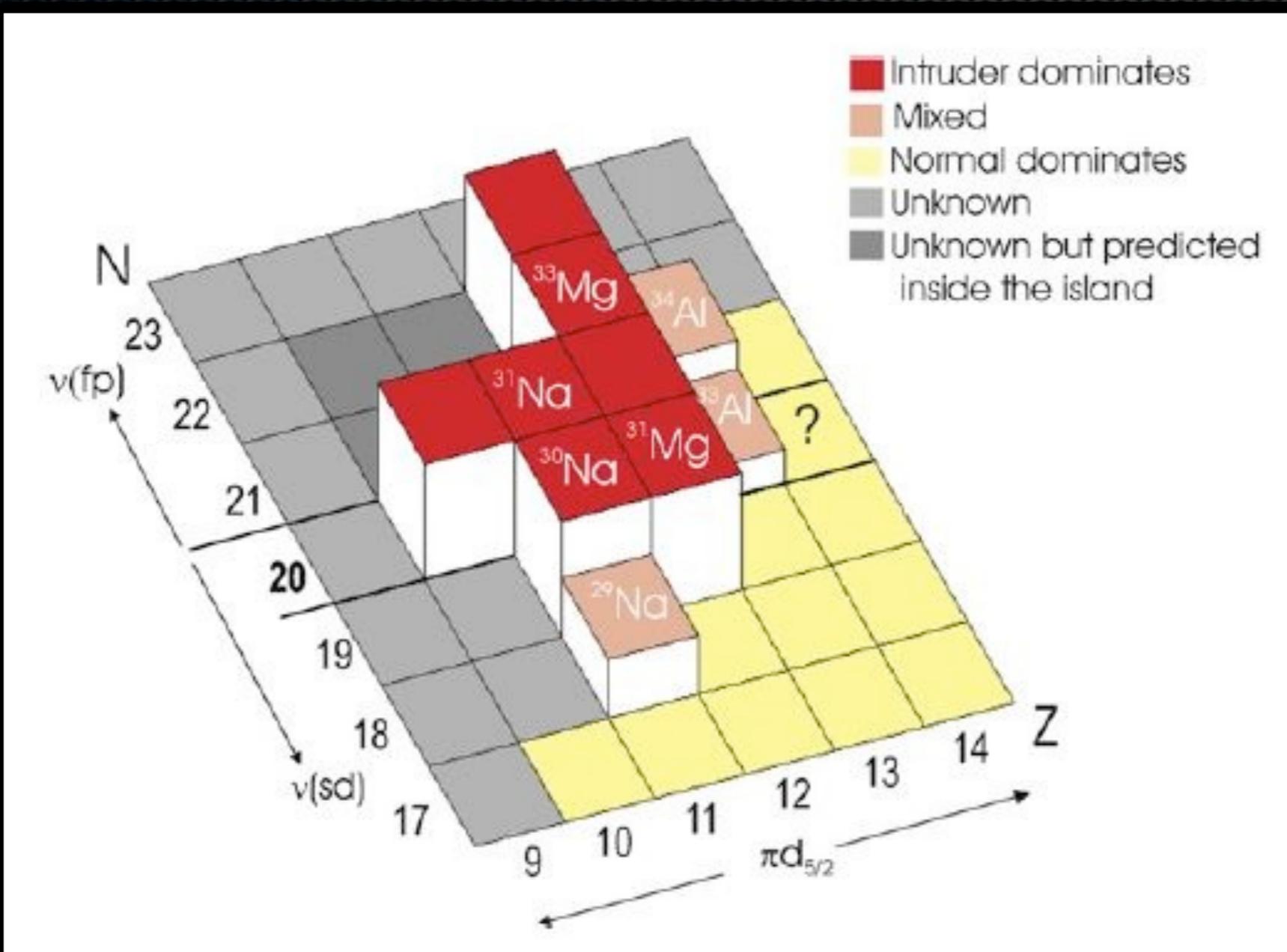
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Shape coexistence=portal to the island of inversion



The Evidence

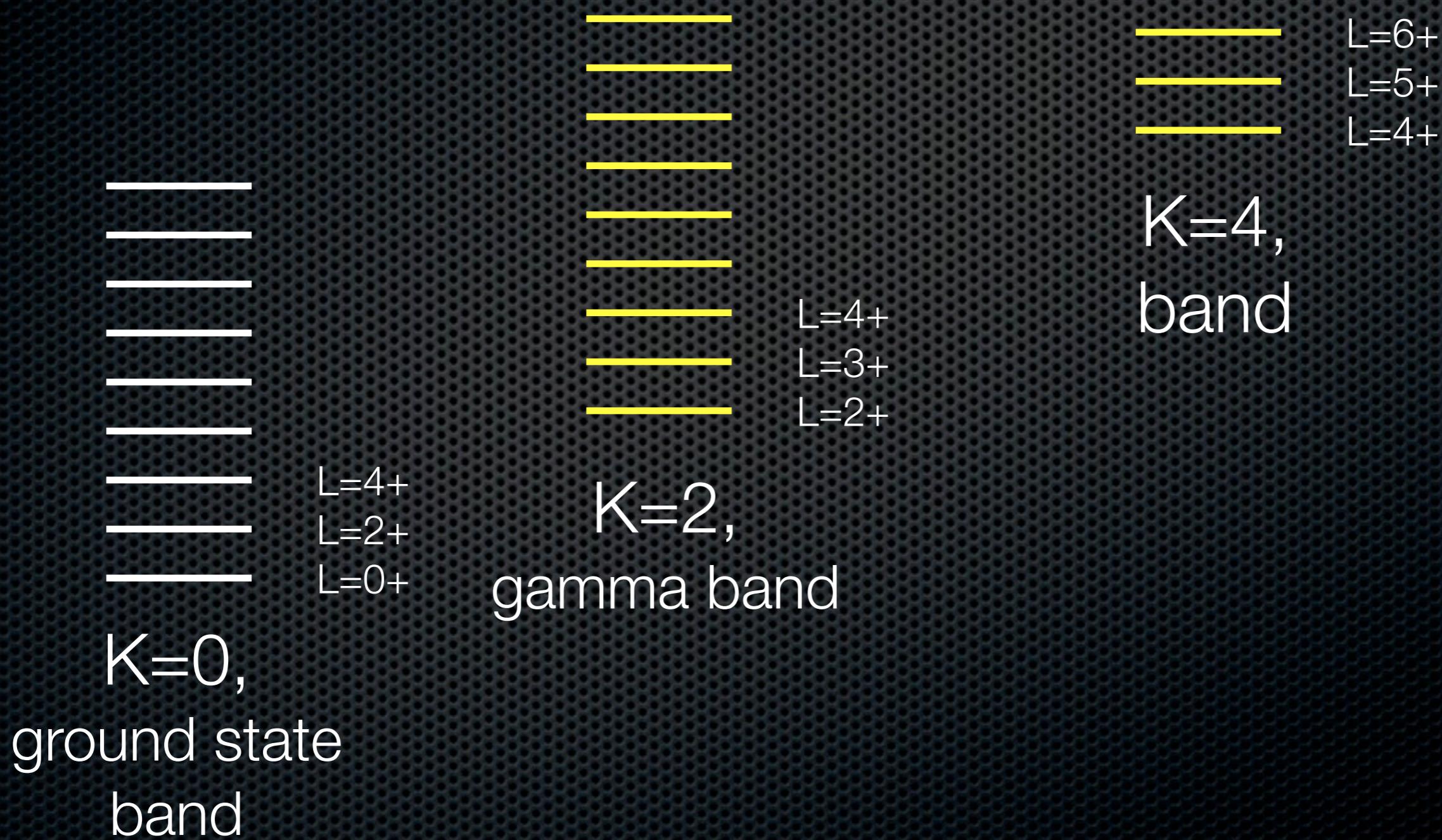


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The spectrum



The SU(3) Hamiltonian

- $H = H_0 - \chi/2 \langle QQ \rangle + c_1 (\Omega \text{ or } \Lambda)$

Mean field potential

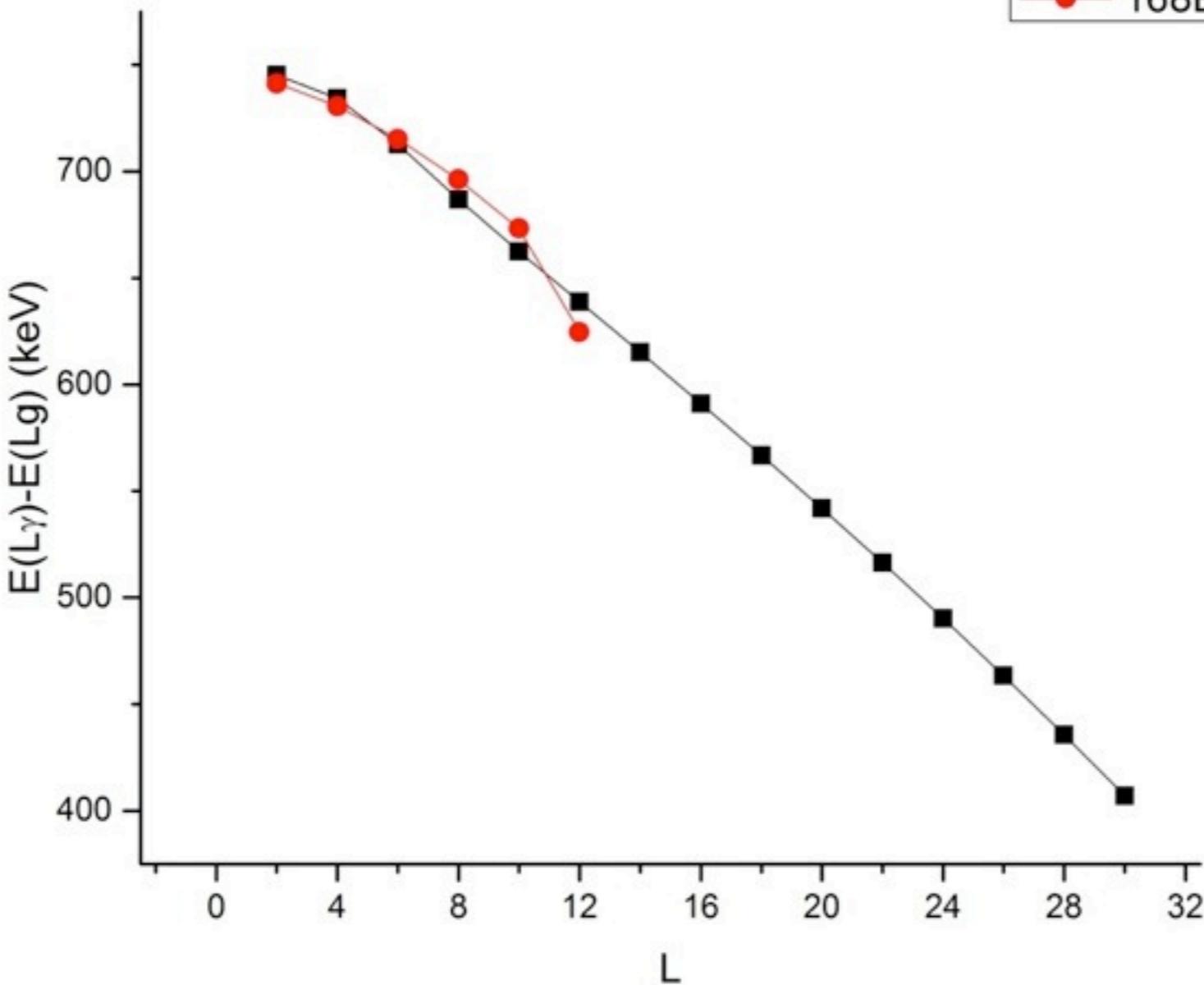
Quadrupole-
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Break the degeneracy
between the K bands

$E(L_{\gamma})_{\text{gamma}} - E(L_{\gamma})_{\text{ground}}$

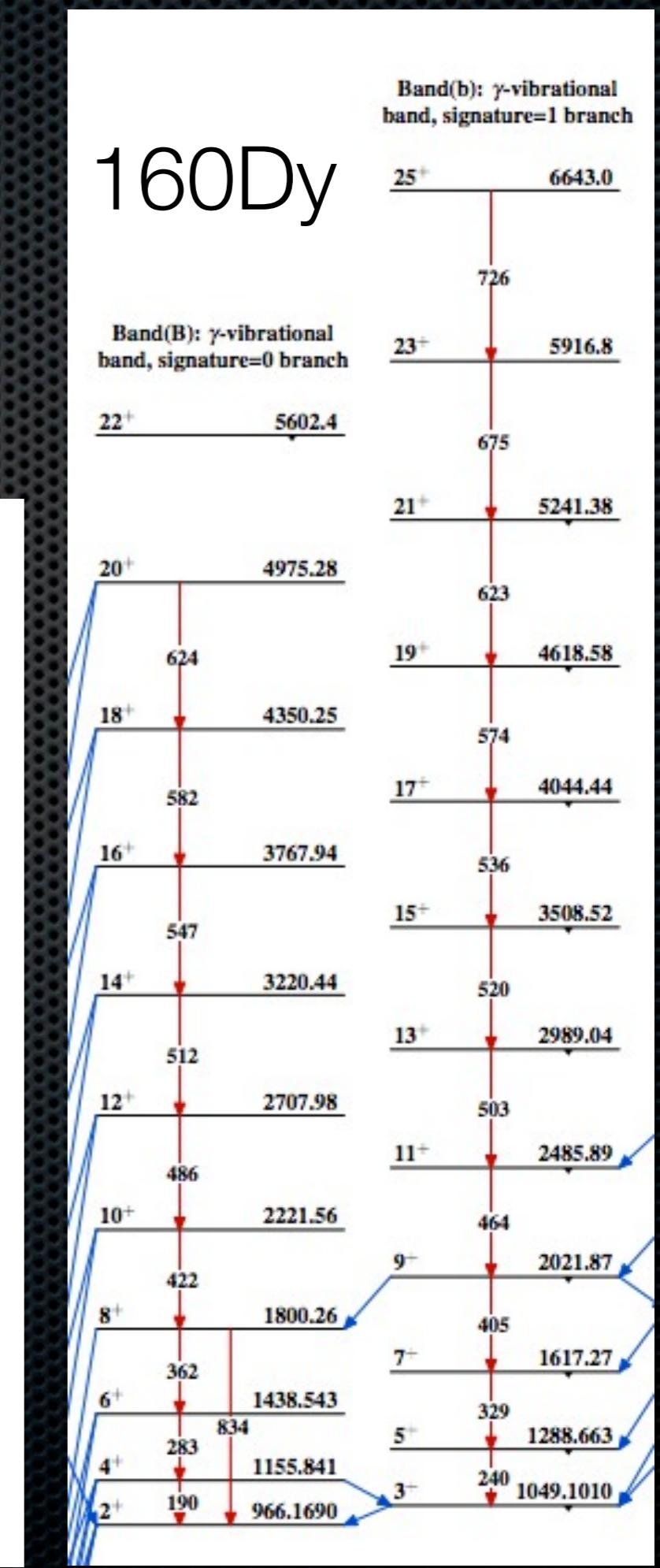
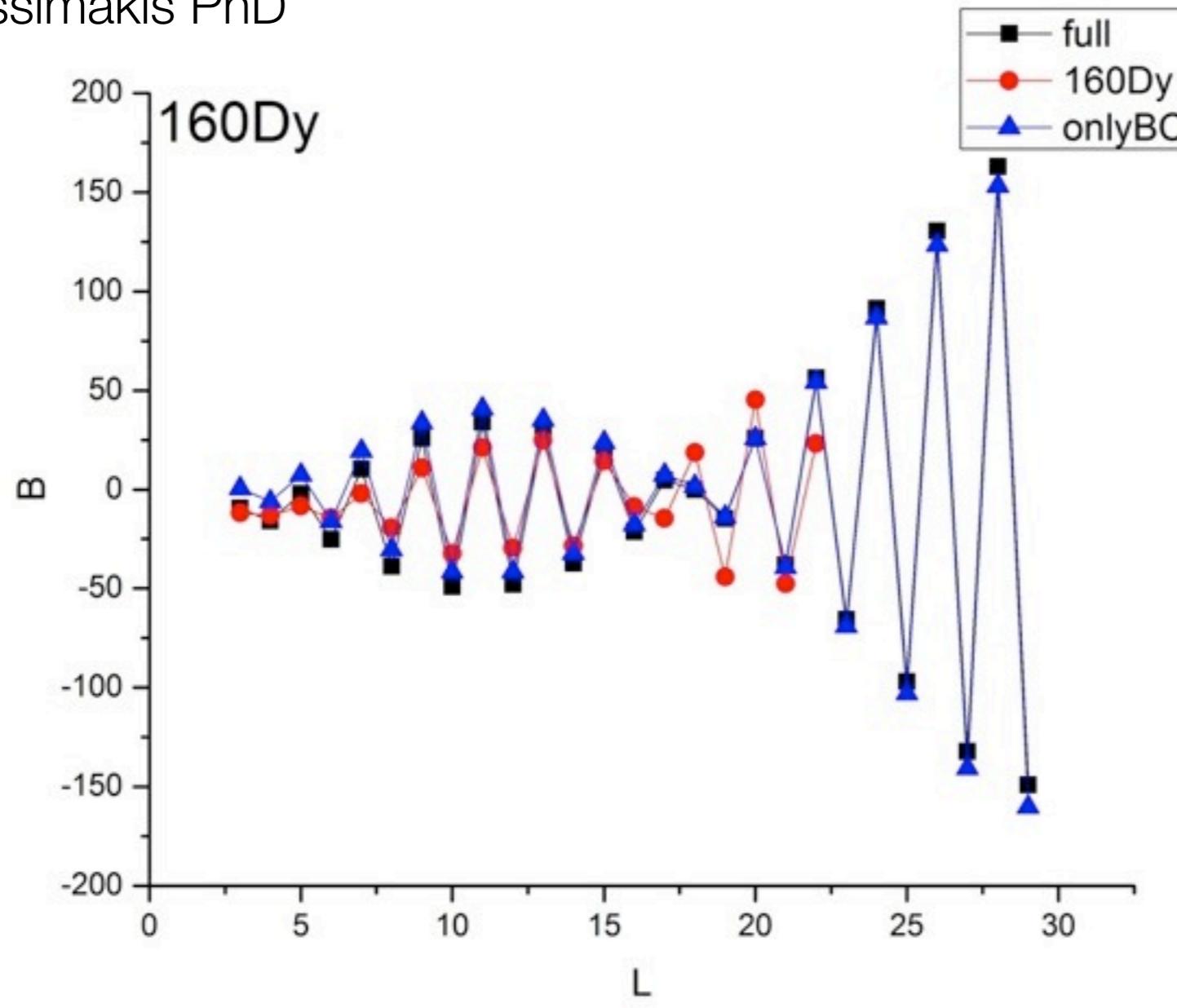
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γ band staggering

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B(E2)S- Transition probabilities

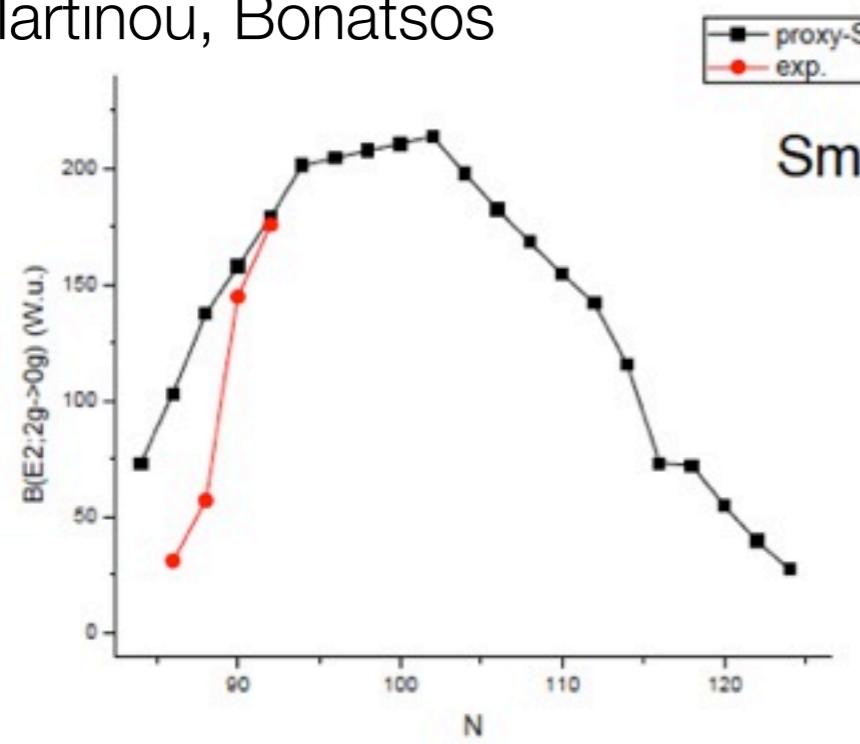
$$B(E2; (\lambda, \mu)KL \rightarrow (\lambda, \mu)K'L') = 4C_2^{(\lambda, \mu)} \frac{2L' + 1}{2L + 1} \\ (\langle (\lambda, \mu)KL; (1, 1)2 || (\lambda, \mu)K'L' \rangle)^2.$$

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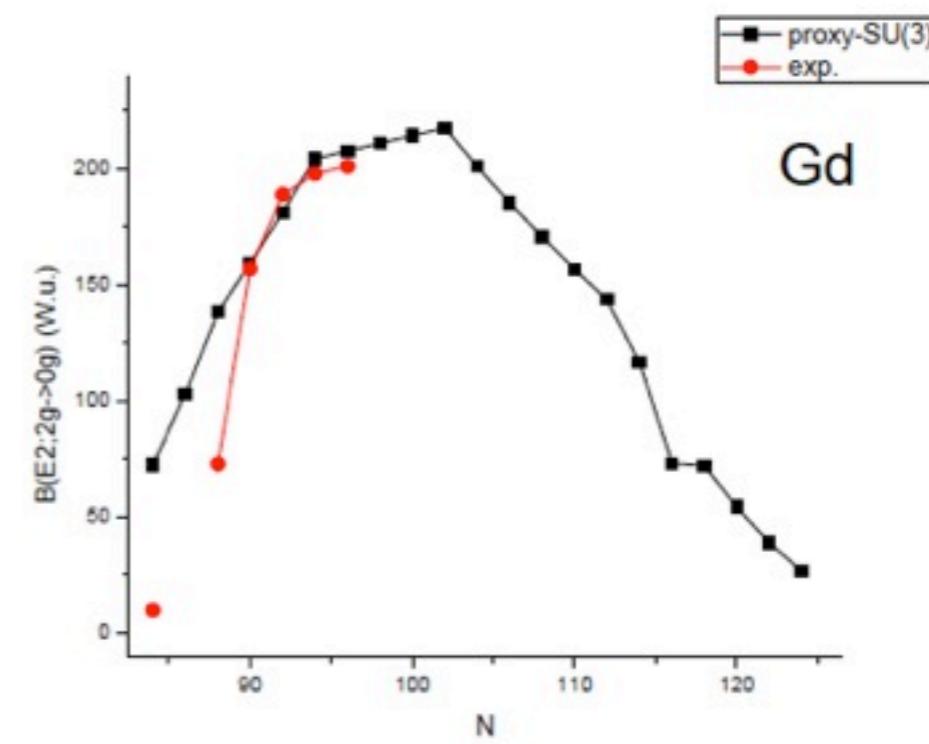
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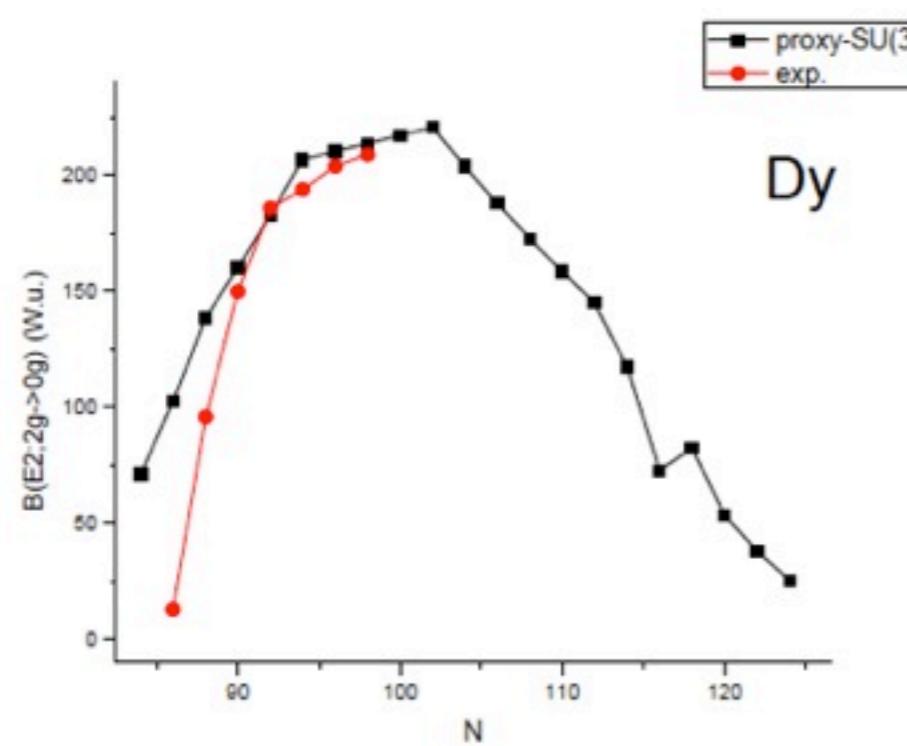
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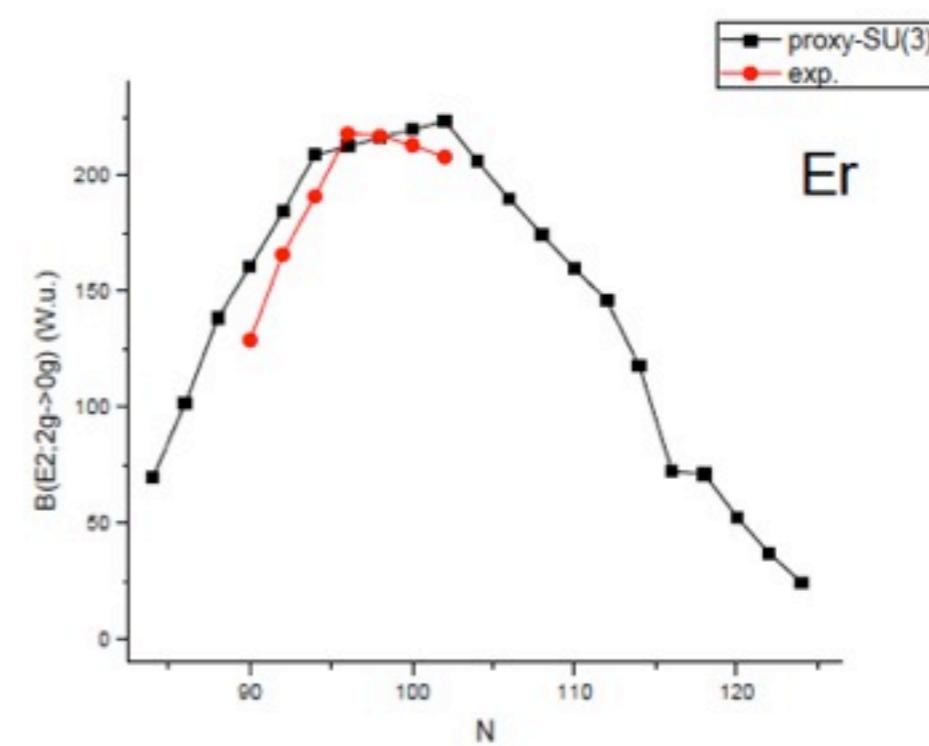
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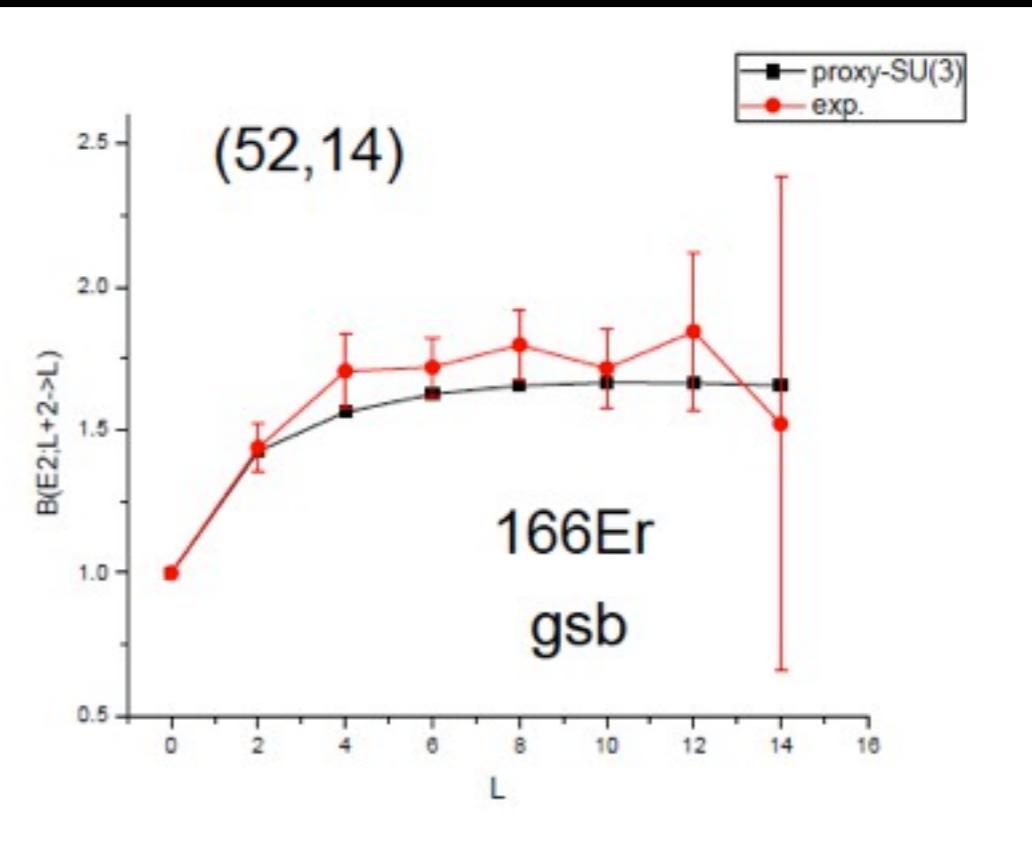
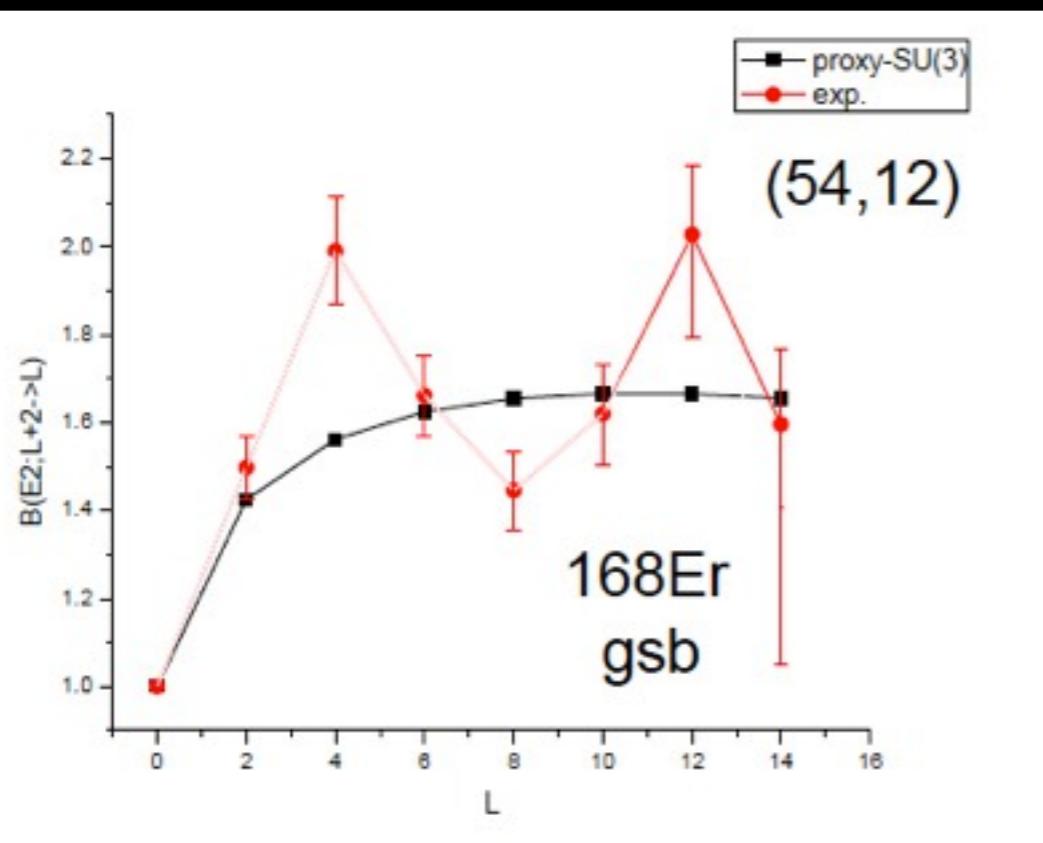
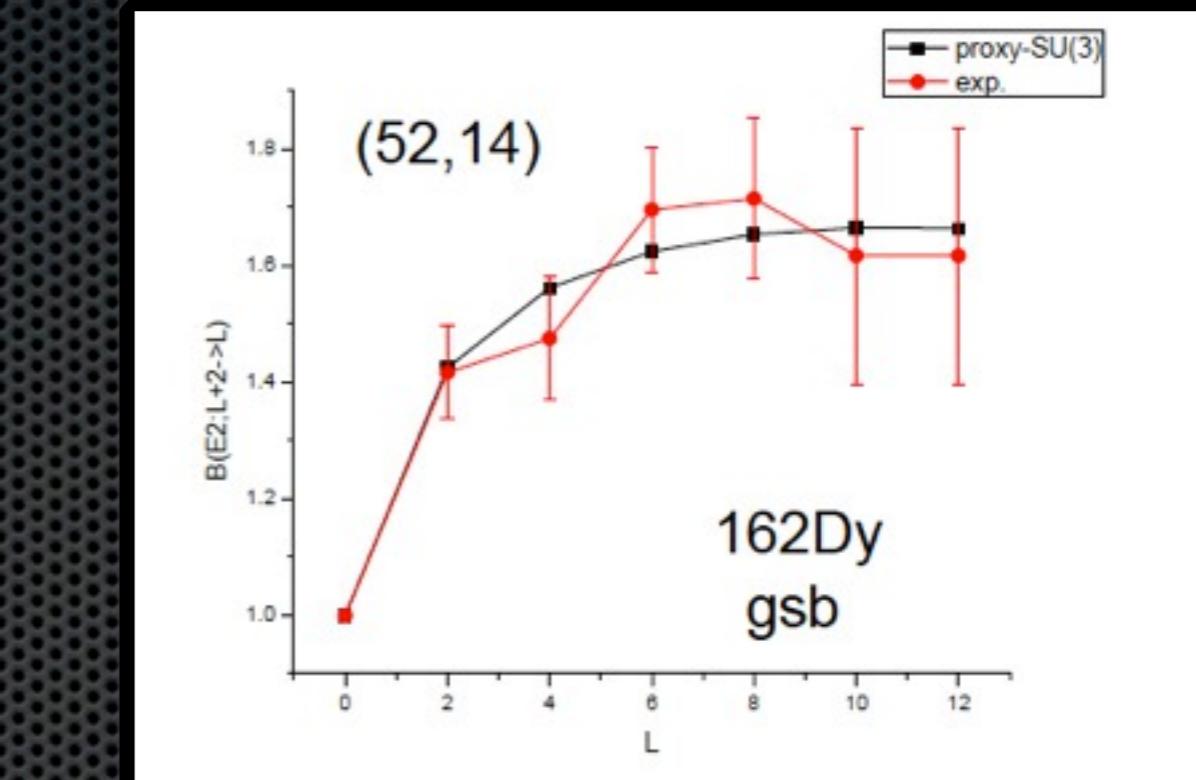
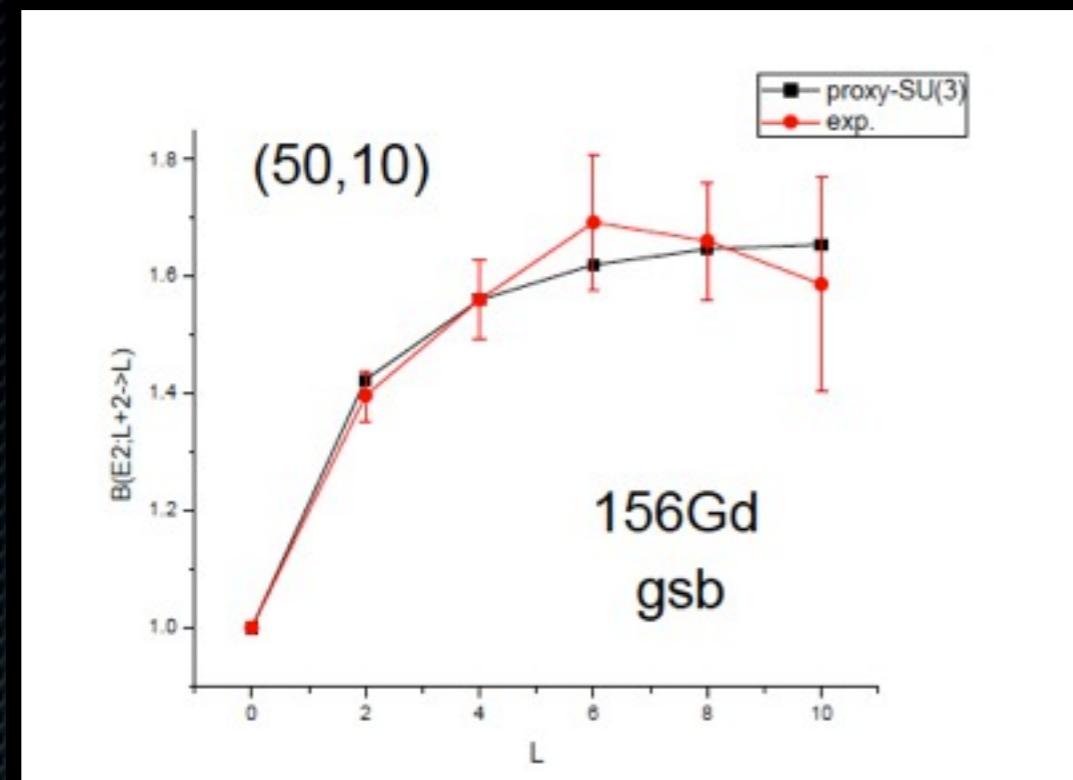


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B(E2) ratios within g.s.b. normalized to 2g->0g



Nuclear Lifetimes

$$T_{1/2} = \ln 2 \frac{10^2}{1.23 \Delta E^5 4C_2(\lambda, \mu) < (\lambda, \mu) K L; (1, 1) 2 ||(\lambda, \mu) K' L'||^2} \text{sec}$$

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Dracoulis et al.

Table 4. Shape-coexisting two-(quasi)particle states in ^{188}Pb .

I^π	$T_{1/2}$	E^* (keV)	Configuration	shape
8^-	$1.2 \mu\text{s}$	2577	$\nu 9/2^+[624], 7/2^-[514]$	High- K prolate
11^-	38 ns	2702	$\pi 9/2^-[505], 13/2^+[606]$	High- K oblate
12^+	136 ns	2710	$\nu i_{13/2}^{-2}$	Spherical

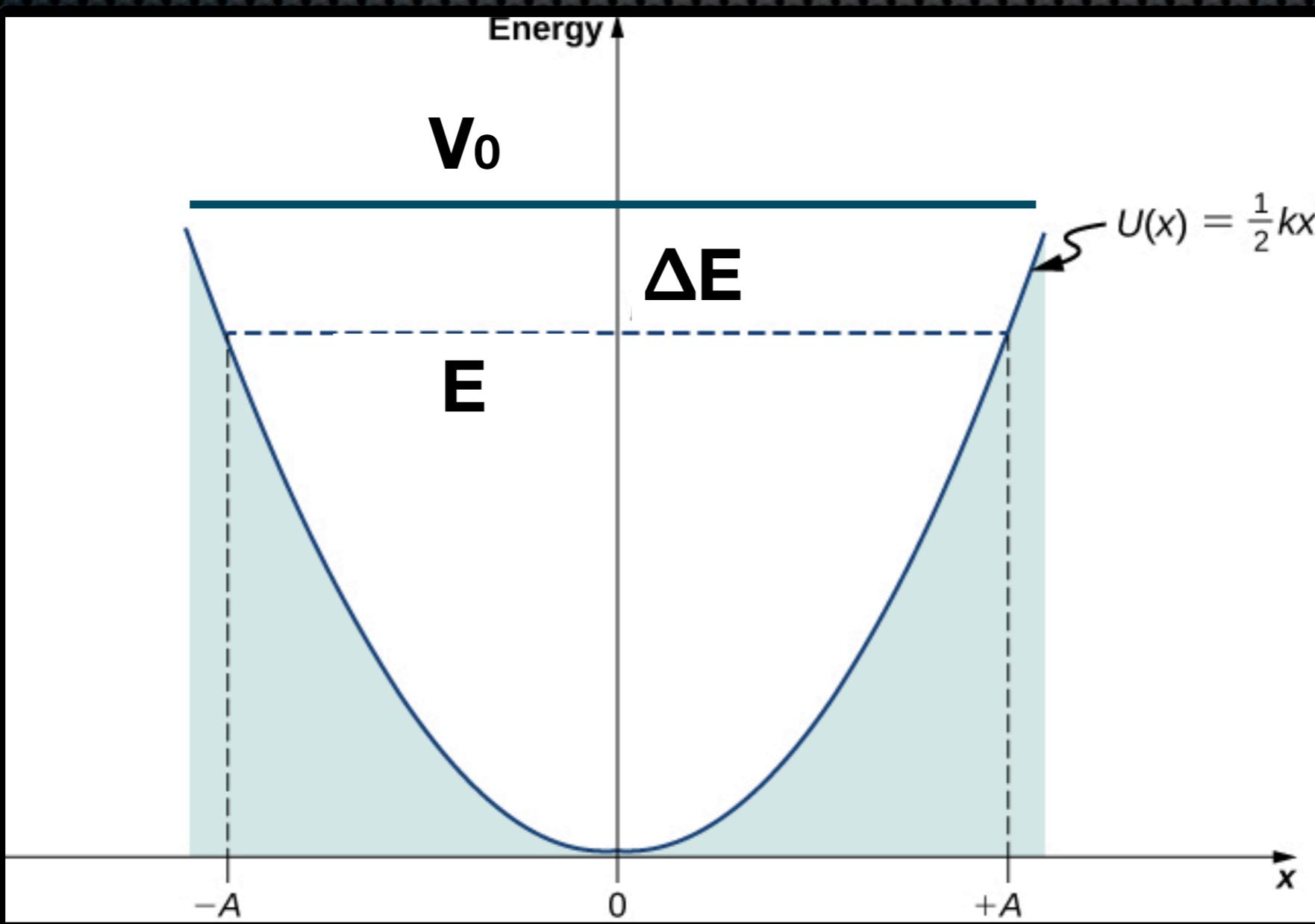
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Our value is
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Two neutron separation energy with Proxy SU(3)



$$\Delta E = V_0 - E$$

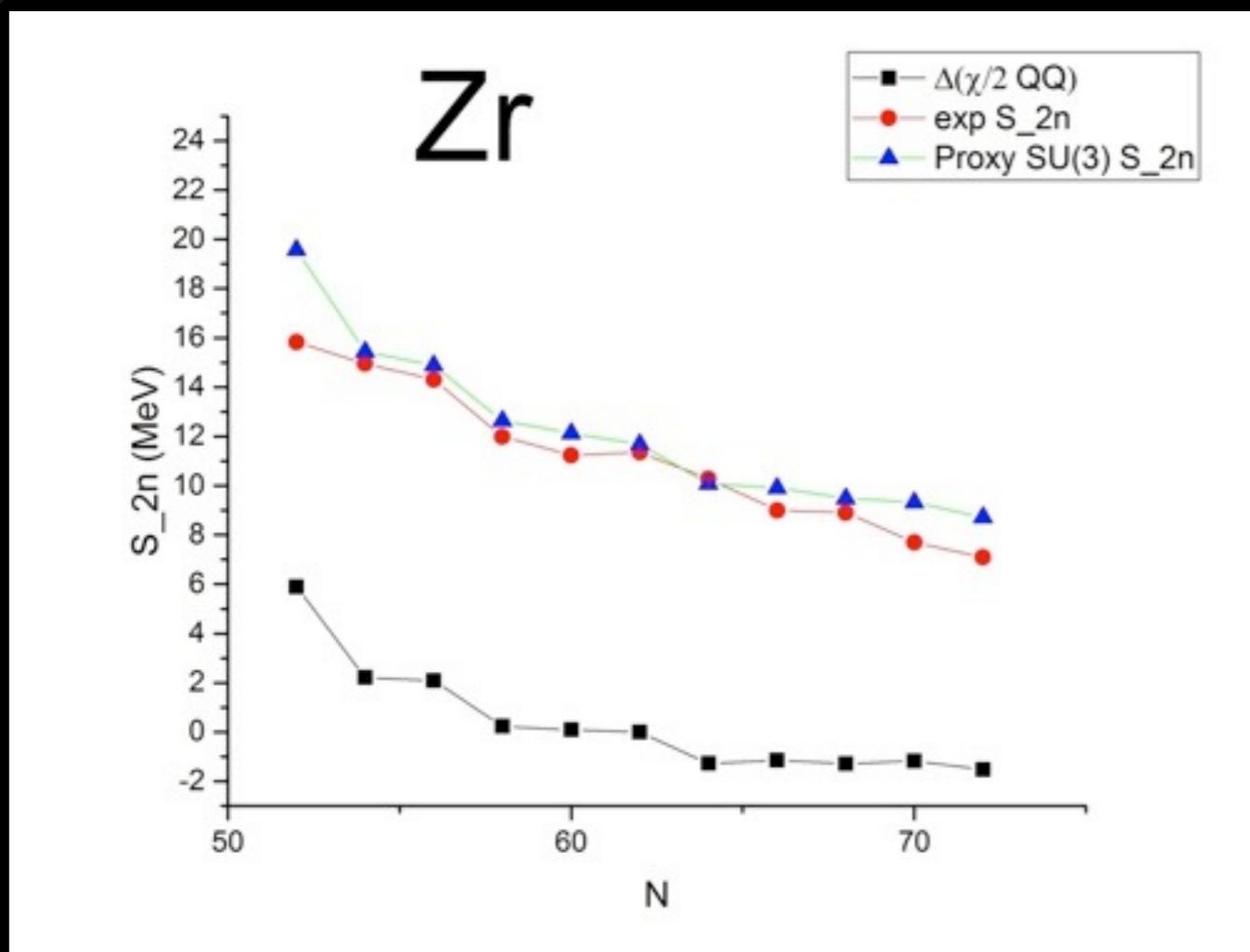
QQ interaction differences

$$\Delta(x/2 \text{ QQ}) = (x/2 \text{ QQ}(\lambda, \mu))_N - (x/2 \text{ QQ}(\lambda, \mu))_{N-2}$$

$$\frac{x}{2} = \frac{1}{4N_0}$$

Independent of fitting

Parameter free S_{2n}



$$S_{2n} = \Delta E + \Delta(\chi/2 \text{ QQ})$$

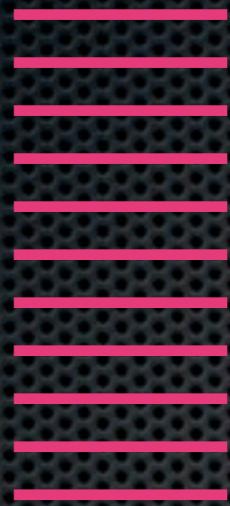
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The magic numbers project

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Two options

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harmonic oscillator
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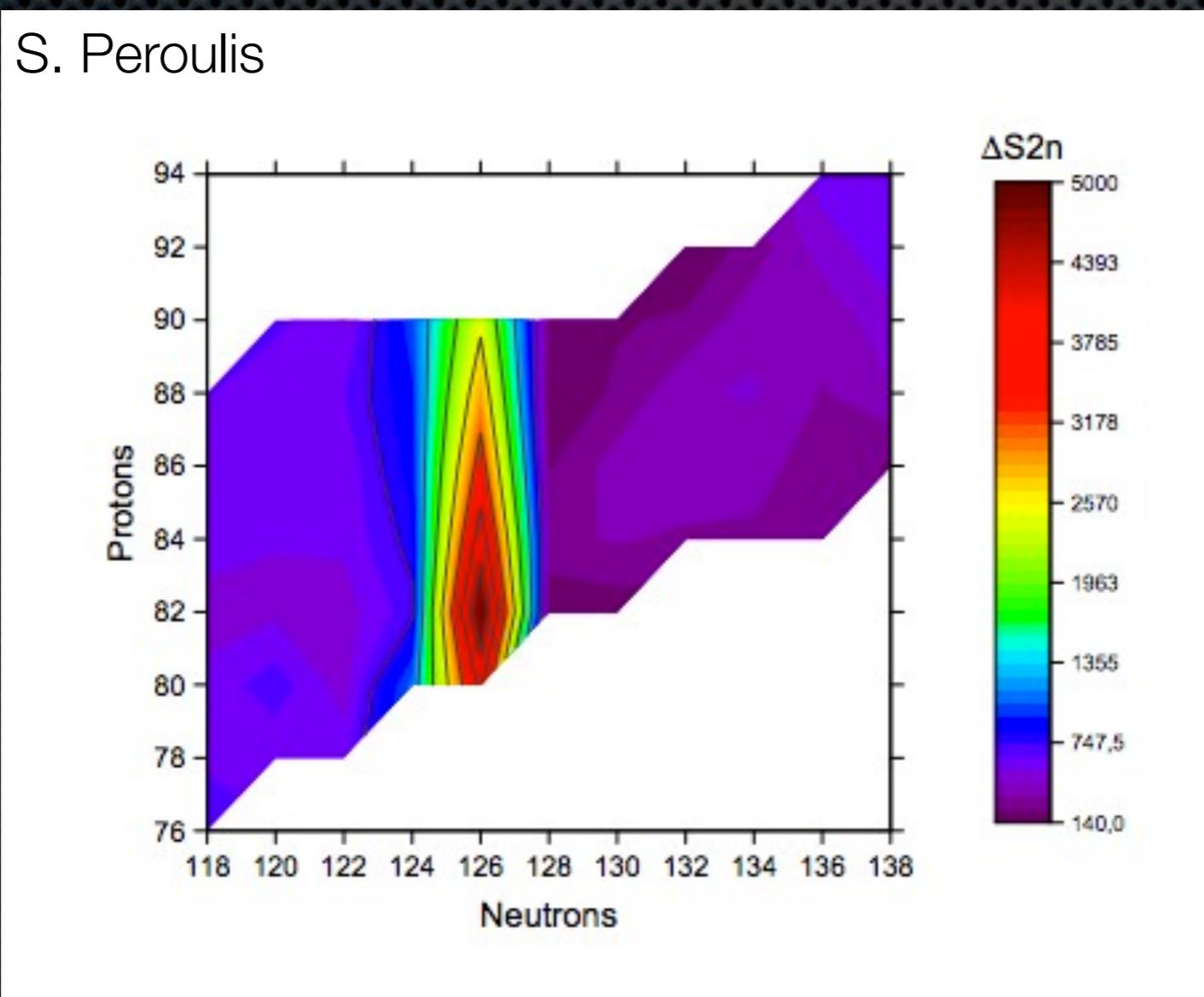
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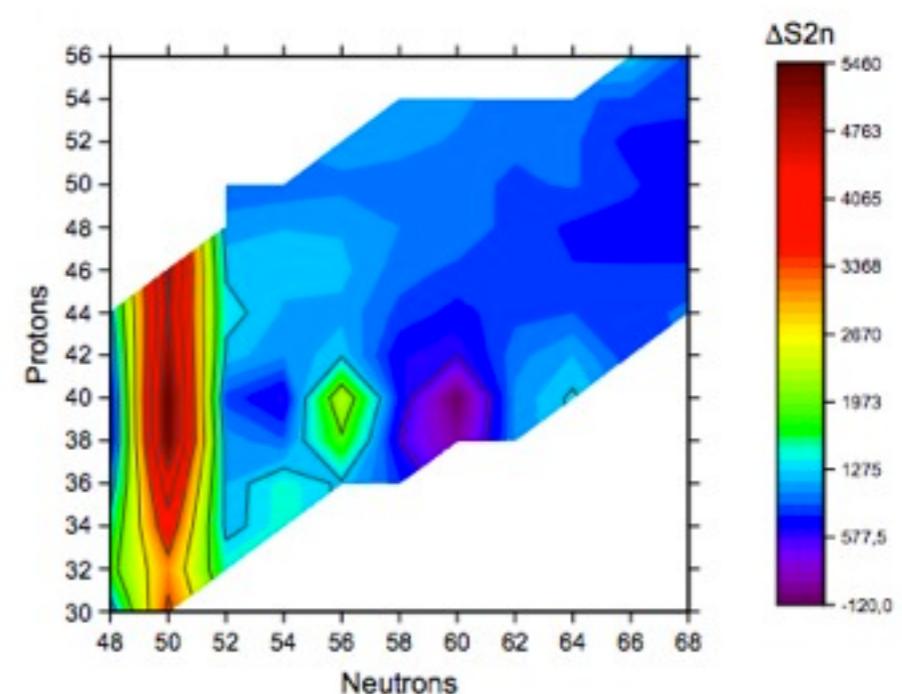
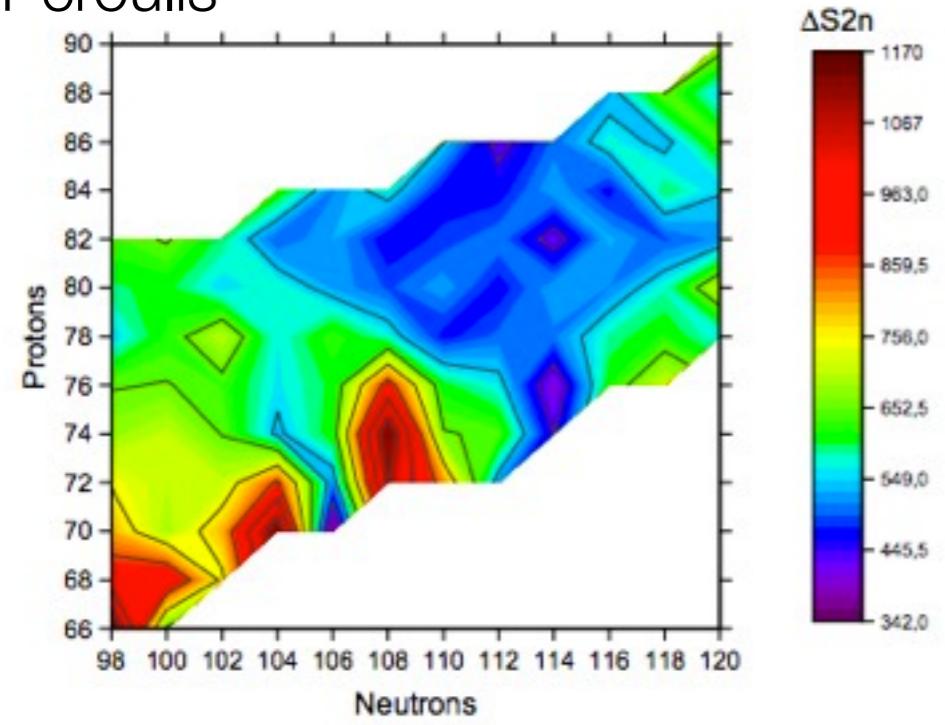
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spin-orbit like magic
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Major Magic Numbers

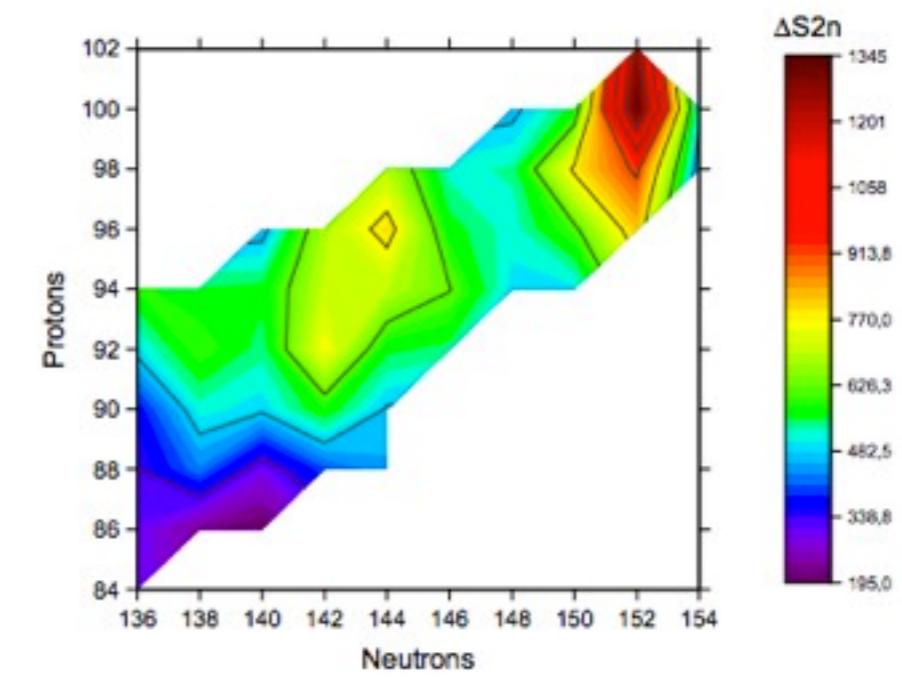


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Minor Magic Numbers



Another way to search

Harmonic oscillator
magic numbers

Spin-orbit like magic
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$J_1\pi$ Exotic odd nuclei $J_2\pi$
 μ_1 Compare with data μ_2



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Scientific themes

Nuclear moments

Nuclear structure of exotic nuclei

Single-particle/collective excitations

Neutron-rich nuclei around ^{152}Sn , ^{208}Pb

Proton-rich nuclei around ^{100}Sn

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