

Triaxiality and single particle degrees of freedom

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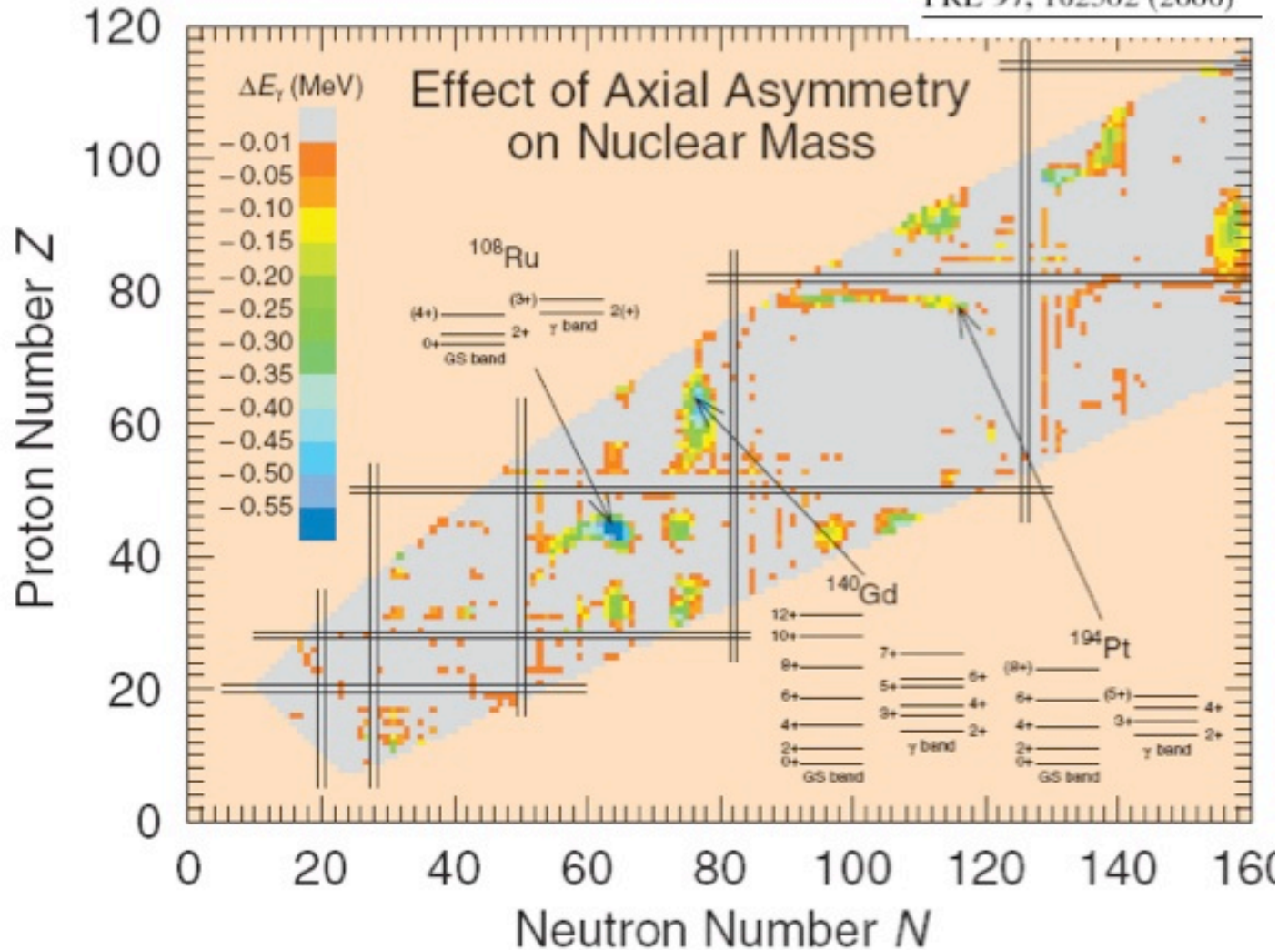
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Triaxiality at moderate Spin

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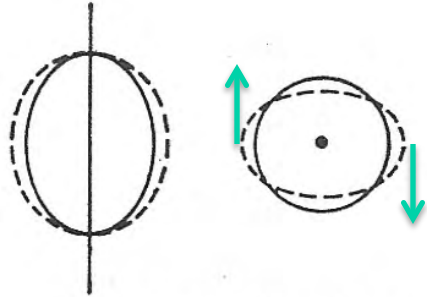
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enhanced
triaxiality
 $E(2_2^+) < E(4_1^+)$

states with $\langle Nn_3 \Lambda \Omega | Y_{2\pm 2} | Nn_3 \Lambda \pm 2 \Omega \pm 2 \rangle$ near the Fermi surface

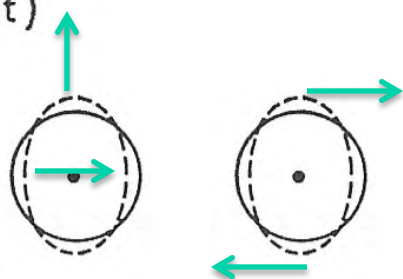
- Triaxiality rigid or dynamical?
- Is it the right question?
- Quasi gamma band in even-even nuclei
- Transverse wobbling



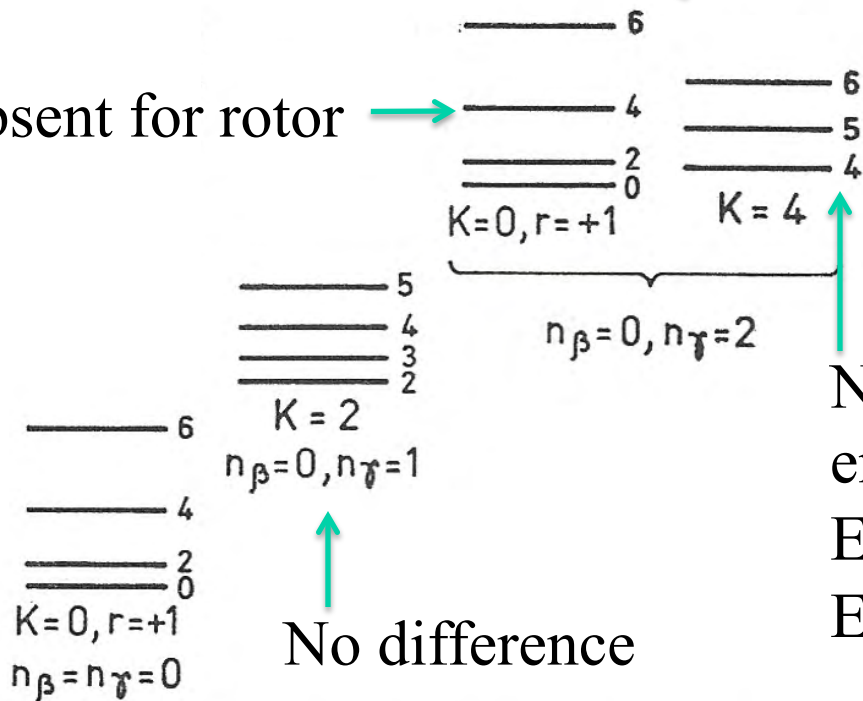
$\nu = \pm 2, \gamma$ -Vibration

$$\delta R \propto \sin^2 \theta \cos(2\phi \pm \omega t)$$

Triaxial rotor vs. γ vibrator



Absent for rotor

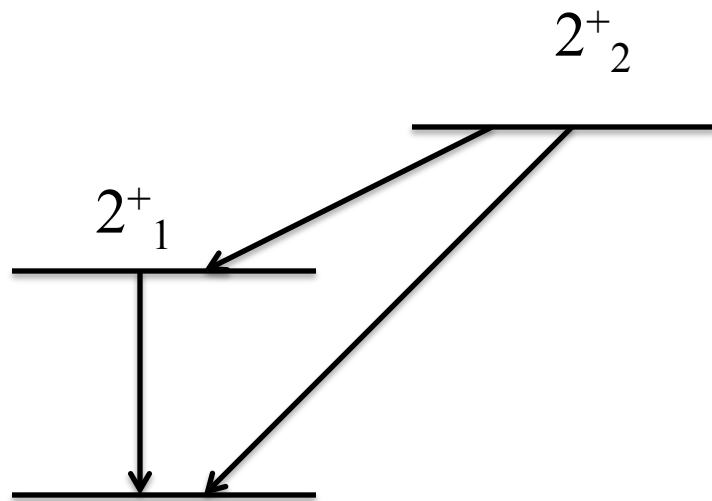


No difference
energy different

$E(K=4) = 2E(K=2)$ vibrator

$E(K=4) > 2E(K=2)$ rotor

Triaxial rotor description of the γ band

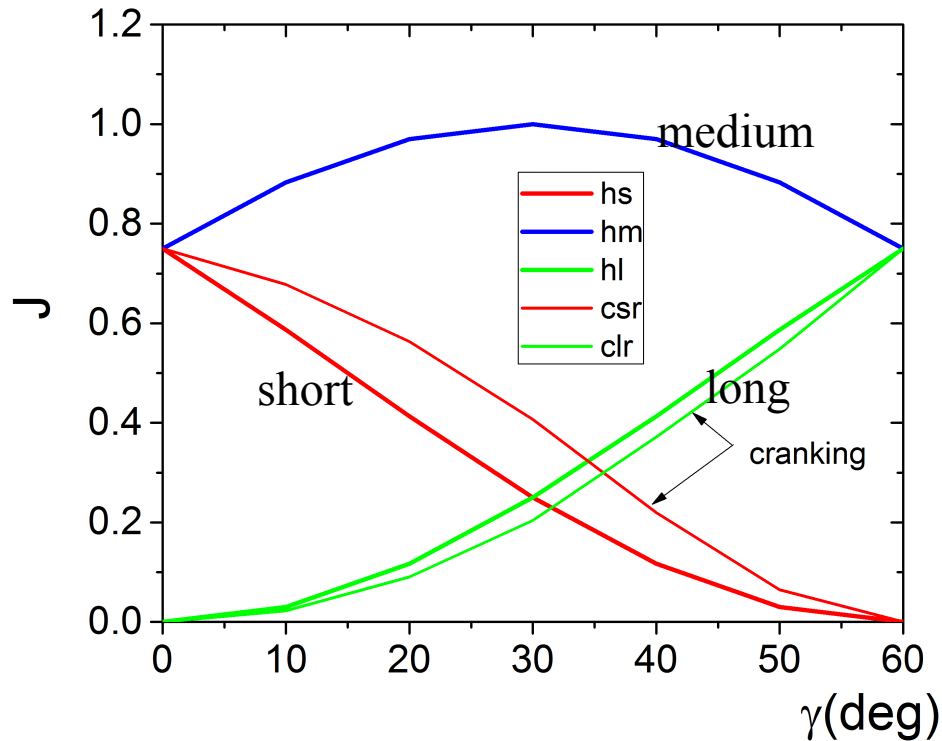


One rotational quant along
the unfavored axes

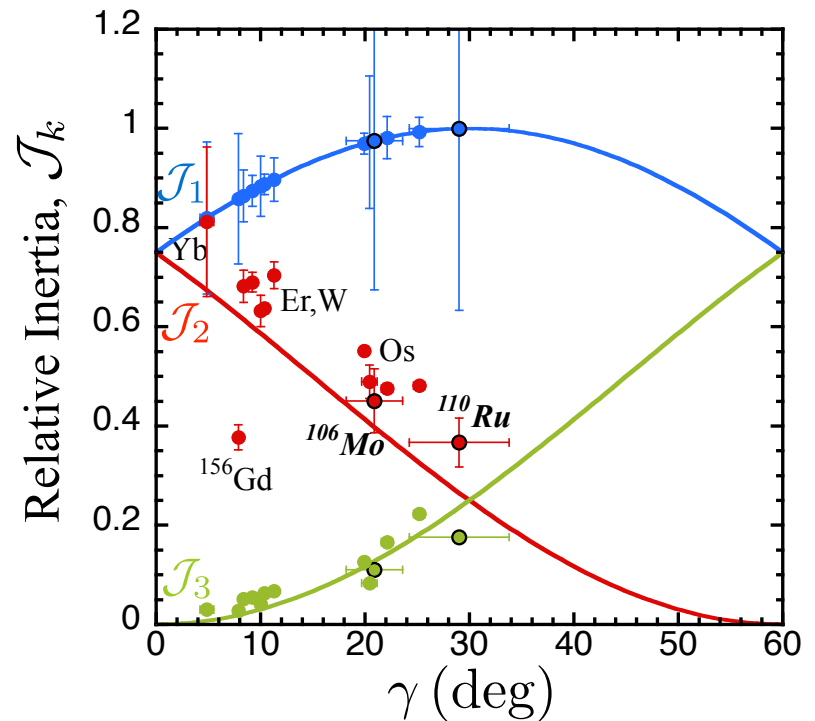
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γ from COULEX
 J_k from energy

calculated



experimental



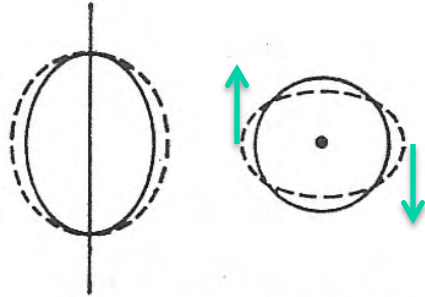
cranking calculation $Z=68$ $A168$
 $\varepsilon = 0.25$ $\Delta_p = 1.1\text{MeV}$ $\Delta_n = 1.0\text{MeV}$

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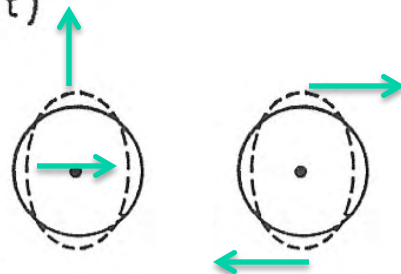
The three moments of inertia are irrotational flow-like:
 Consequence of quantum coherence among Fermions



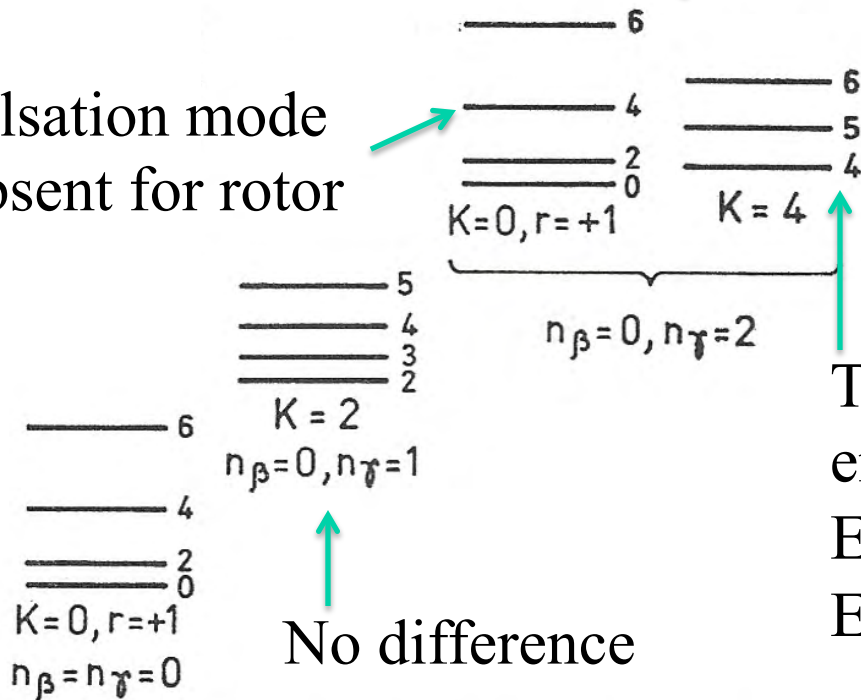
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Pulsation mode
Absent for rotor



Travelling wave \leftrightarrow rigid rotation
energy different

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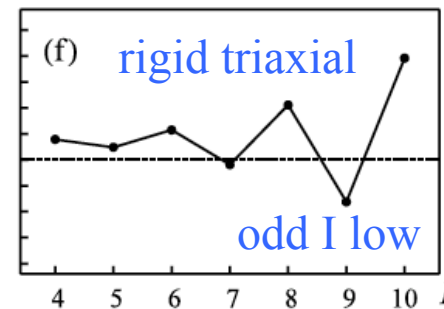
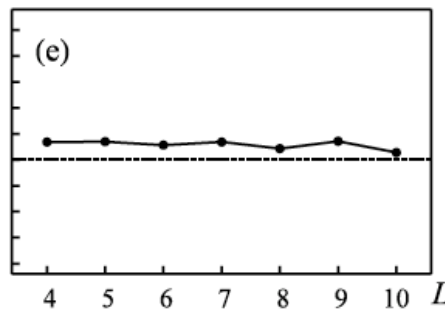
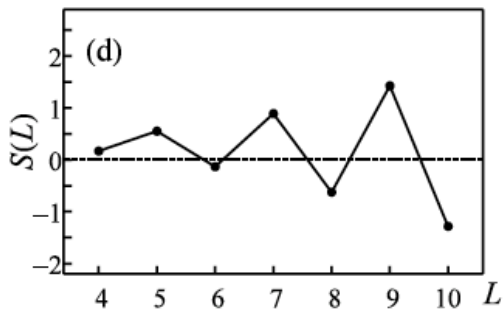
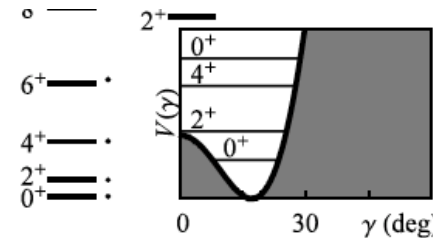
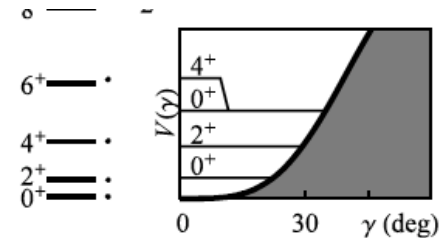
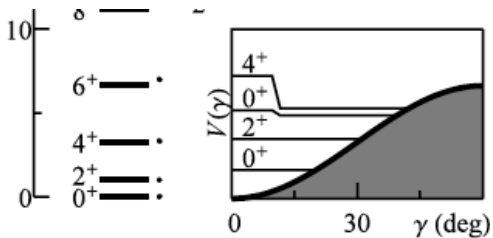
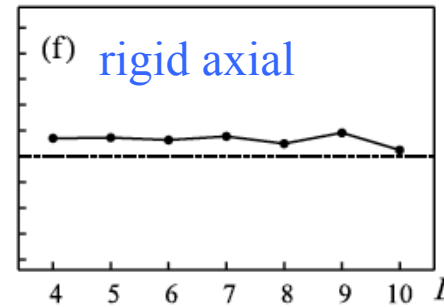
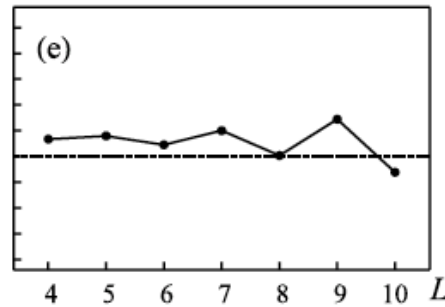
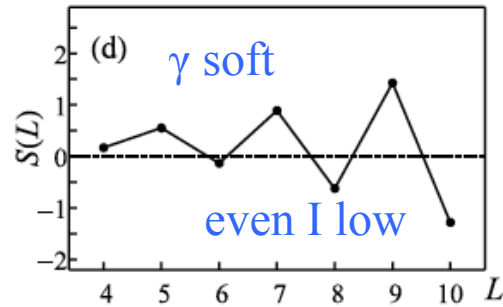
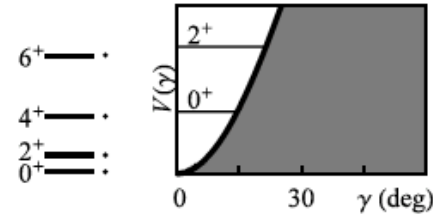
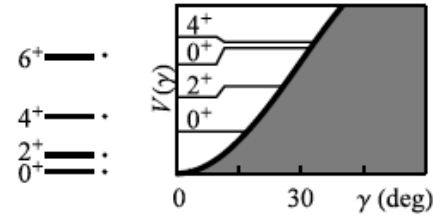
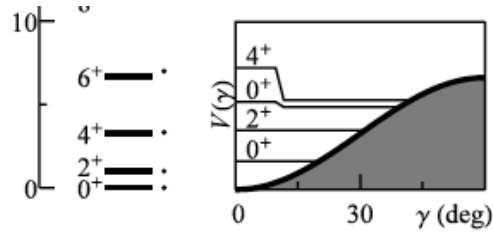
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Staggering of the γ band: soft vs. or rigid

Bohr-Hamiltonian with irrotational flow inertia

$$S(I) = E(I) -$$

$$(E(I-1) + E(I+1)) / 2$$

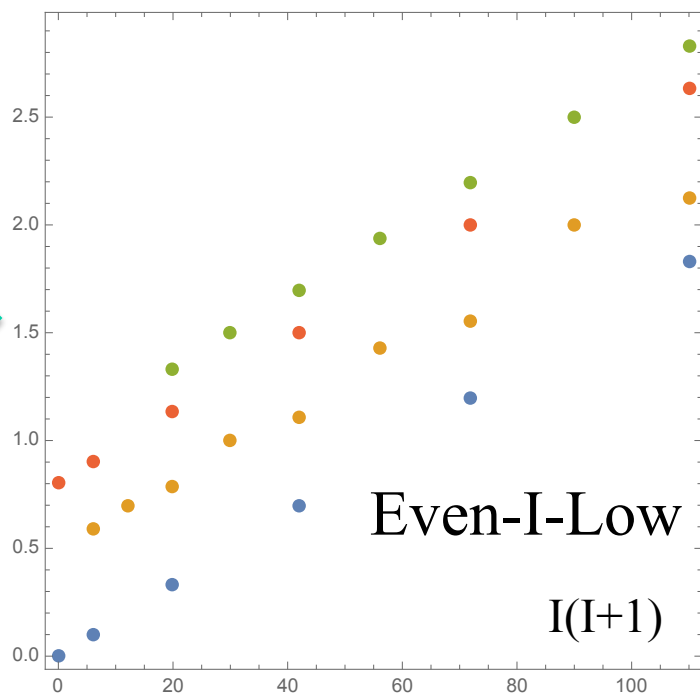
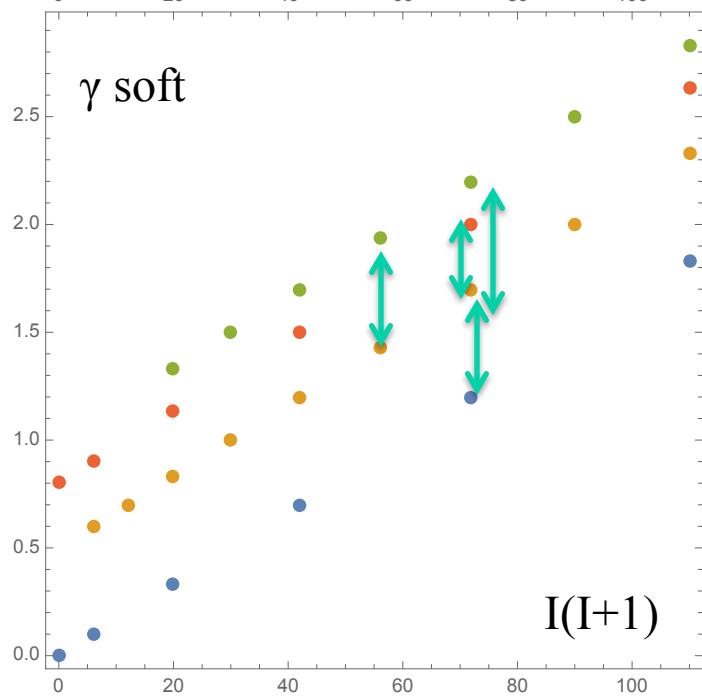
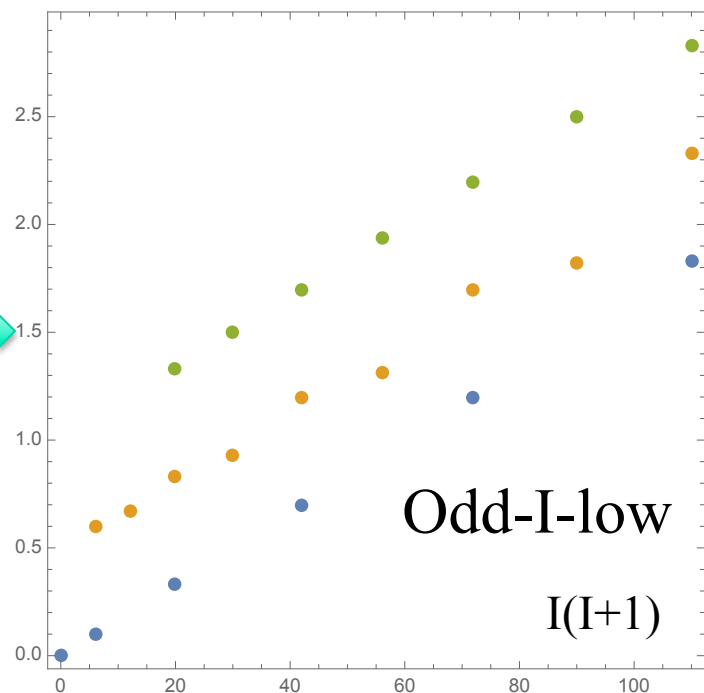
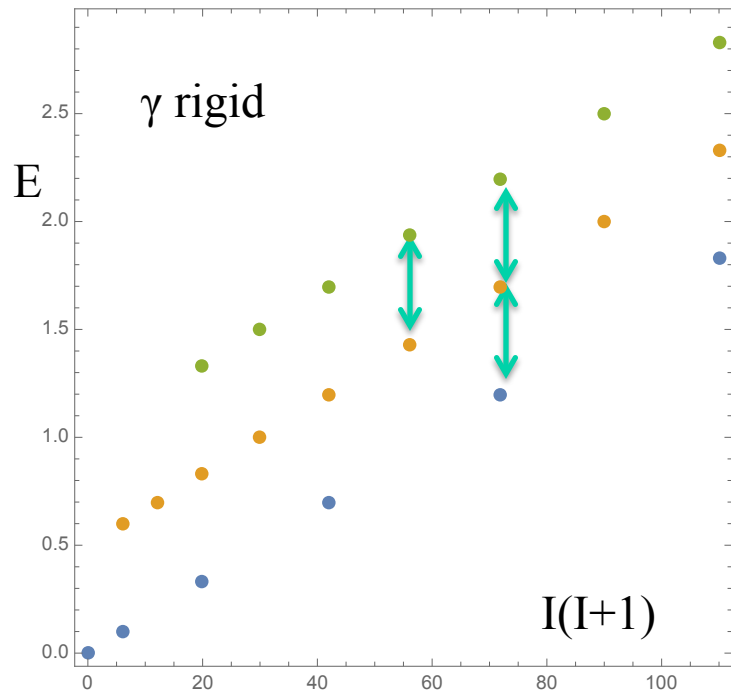


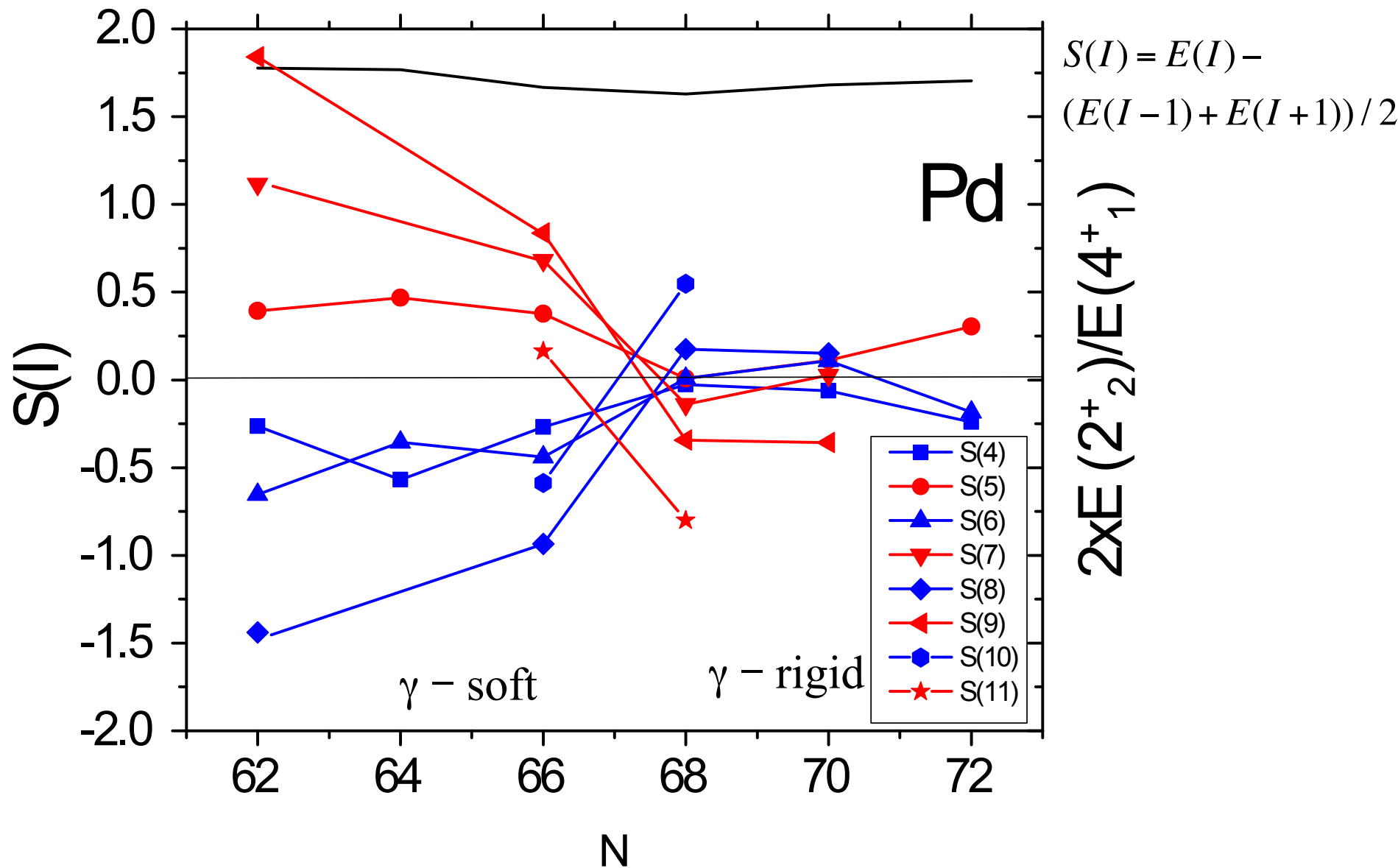
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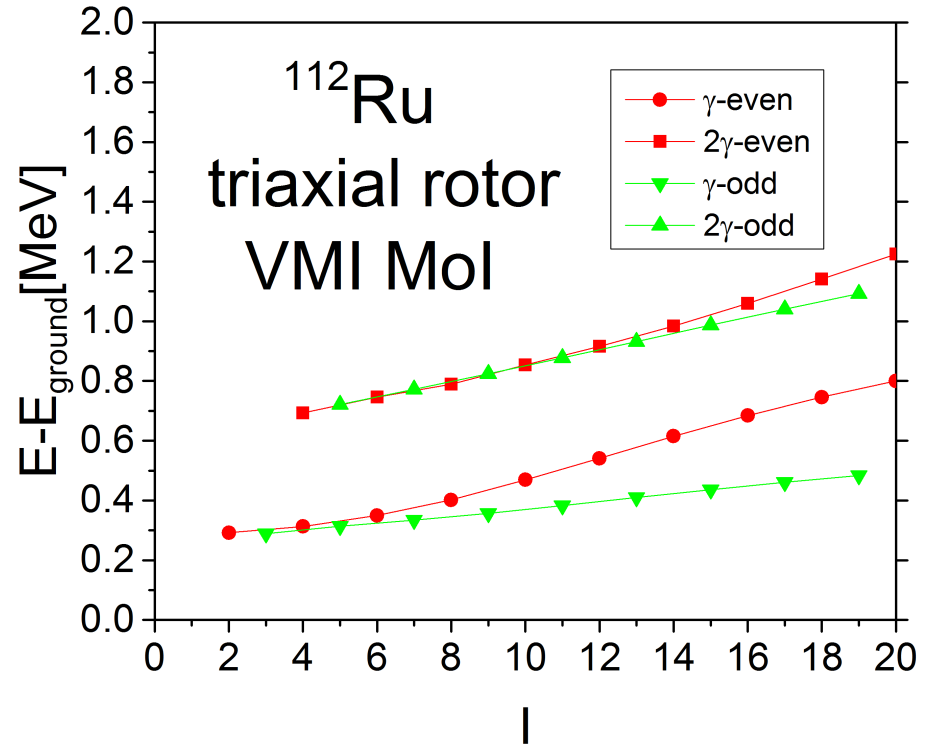
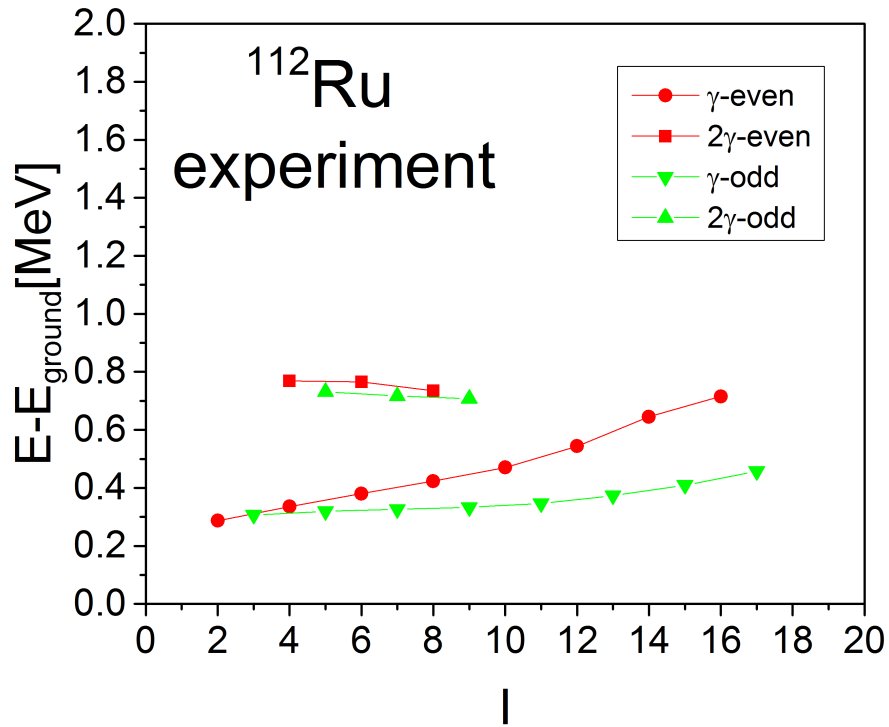
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rigid triaxaxial rotor

$$4 < E(4_3^+) / E(2_2^+) < 3.333$$

weak triaxiality strong

$$\text{exp} : E(4_3^+) / E(2_2^+) = 2.8$$

$$\Theta_i = \Theta_{0i} + \Theta_{1i} I$$

I -dependence of γ deformation

There should be some γ softness.

States are a superposition of basis

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \hat{P}_{MK}^I |\Phi\rangle; \\
 & \hat{P}_{MK}^I a_{p_1}^\dagger a_{p_2}^\dagger |\Phi\rangle; \\
 & \hat{P}_{MK}^I a_{n_1}^\dagger a_{n_2}^\dagger |\Phi\rangle; \\
 & \hat{P}_{MK}^I a_{p_1}^\dagger a_{p_2}^\dagger a_{n_1}^\dagger a_{n_2}^\dagger |\Phi\rangle; \\
 & \hat{P}_{MK}^I a_{n_1}^\dagger a_{n_2}^\dagger a_{n_3}^\dagger a_{n_4}^\dagger |\Phi\rangle; \\
 & \hat{P}_{MK}^I a_{p_1}^\dagger a_{p_2}^\dagger a_{p_3}^\dagger a_{p_4}^\dagger |\Phi\rangle,
 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Triaxial rotor dynamics

Single particle response

where $|\Phi\rangle$ is the vacuum state and the three-dimensional angular-momentum projection operator [29] is given by

$$\hat{P}_{MK}^I = \frac{2I+1}{8\pi^2} \int d\Omega D_{MK}^I(\Omega) \hat{R}(\Omega), \tag{2}$$

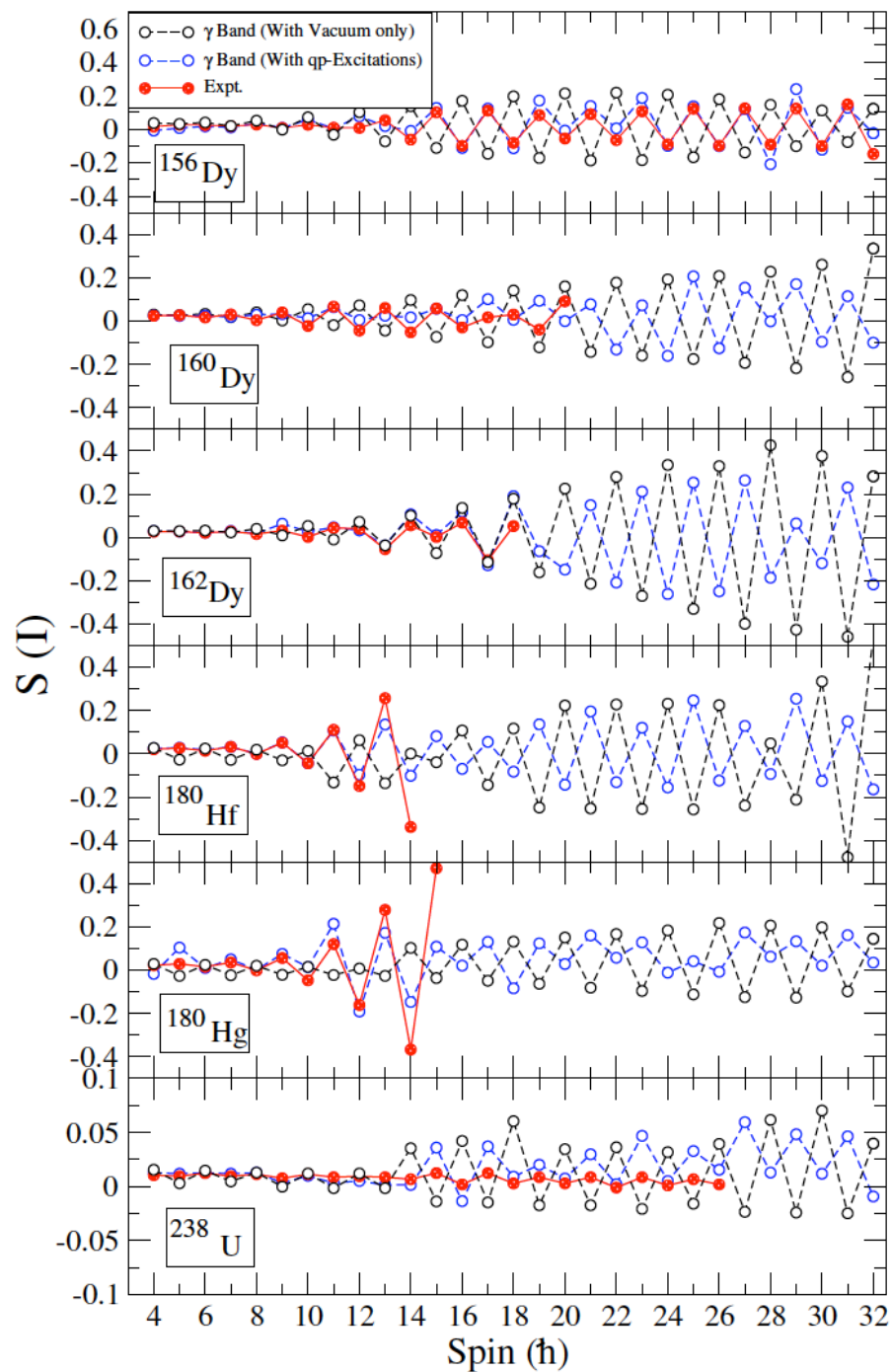
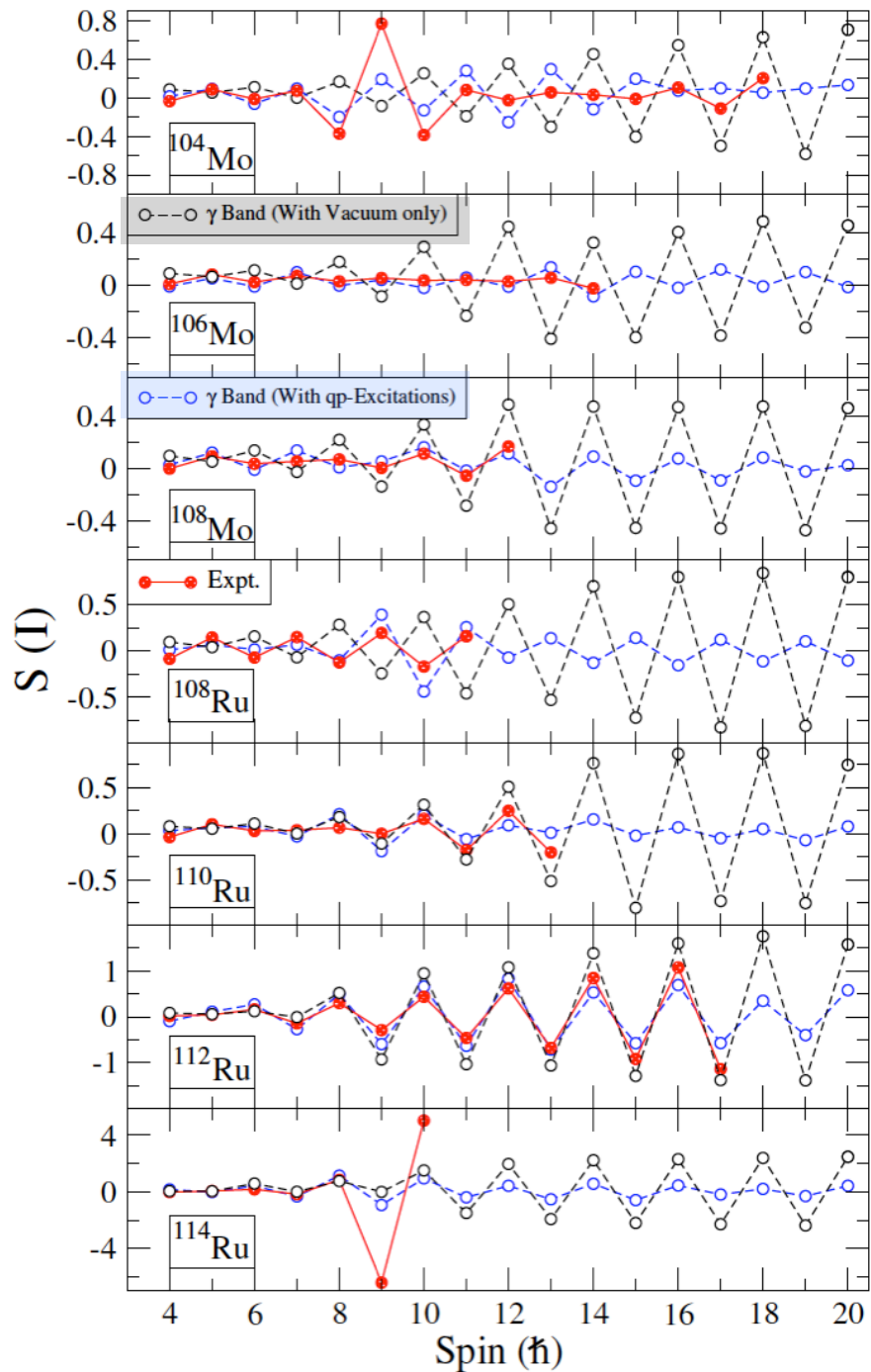
The projected basis of Eq. 1 is then used to diagonalise the shell model Hamiltonian. As in our earlier studies, we have employed the pairing plus quadrupole-quadrupole Hamiltonian [29, 32–34]

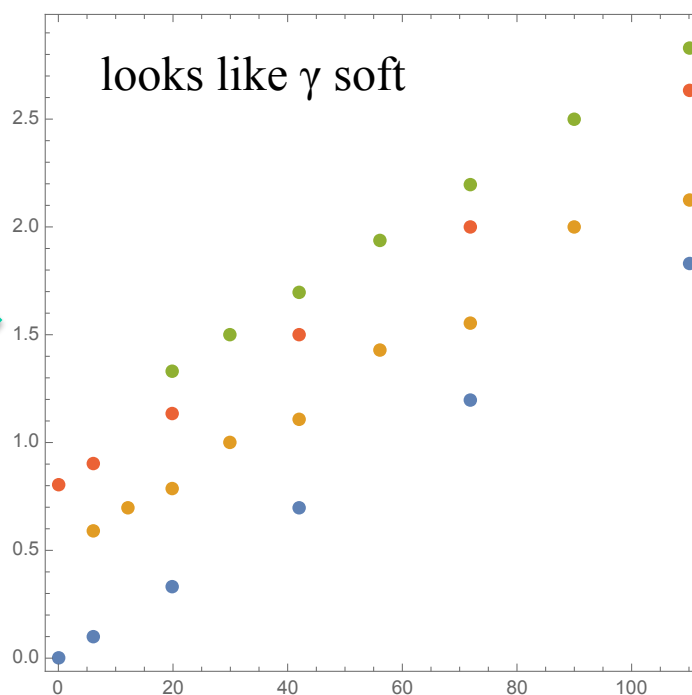
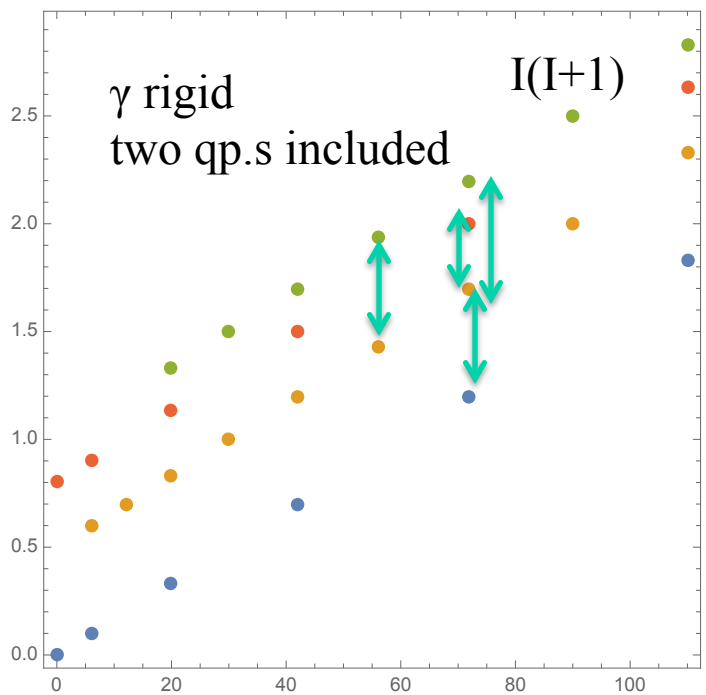
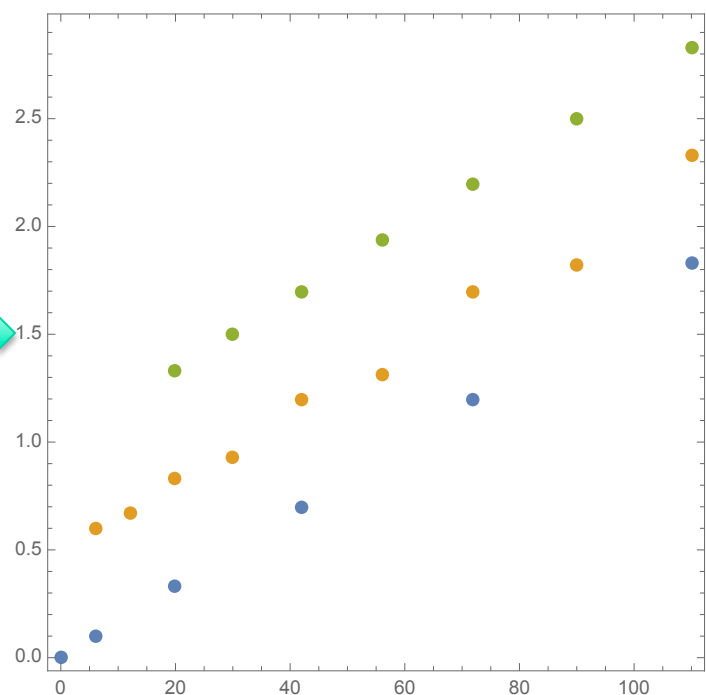
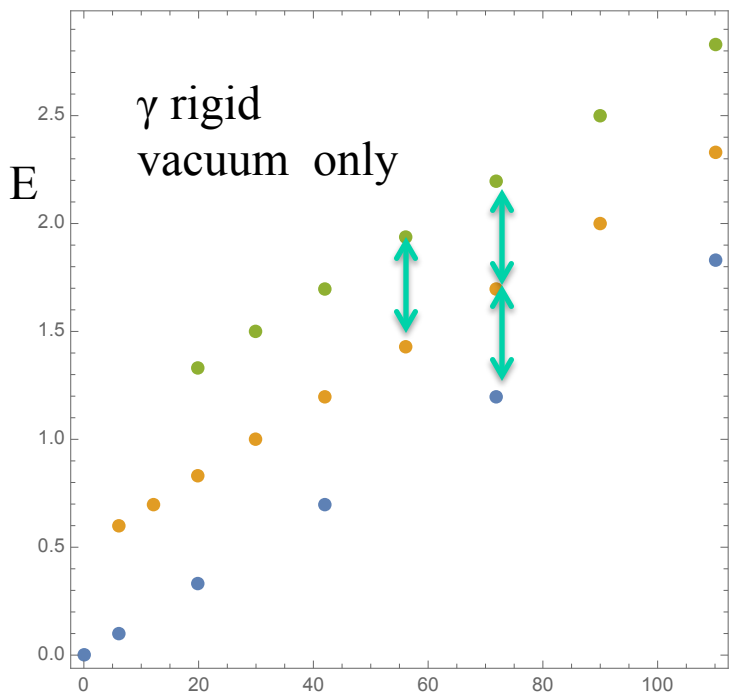
$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_0 - \frac{1}{2} \chi \sum_{\mu} \hat{Q}_{\mu}^{\dagger} \hat{Q}_{\mu} - G_M \hat{P}^{\dagger} \hat{P} - G_Q \sum_{\mu} \hat{P}_{\mu}^{\dagger} \hat{P}_{\mu}. \tag{3}$$

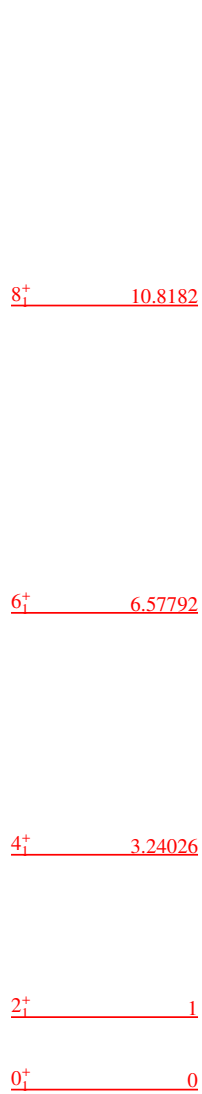
The QQ -force strength χ is adjusted such that the physical quadrupole deformation ε is obtained as a result of the self-consistent mean-field HFB calculation [29]. The monopole

Triaxial Projected Shell Model

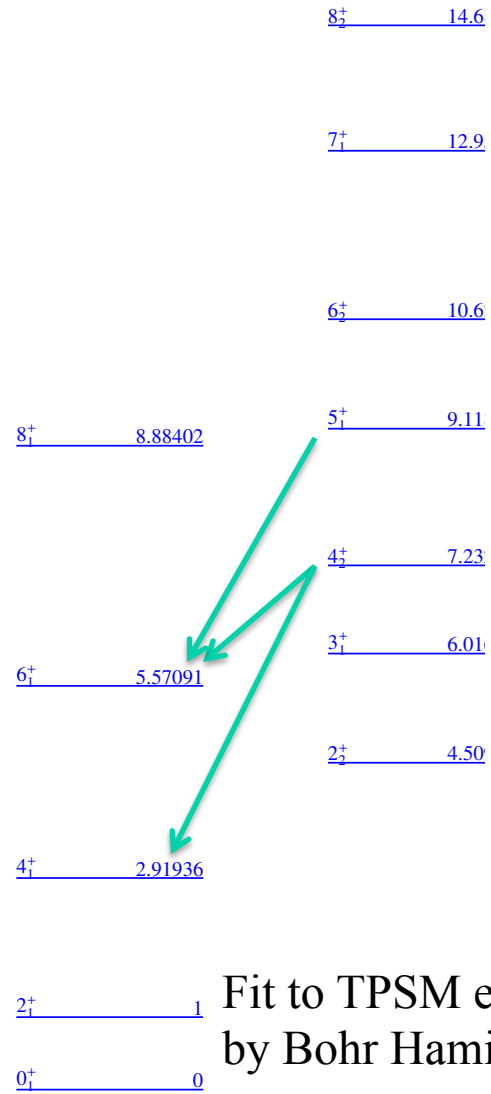
The triaxiality parameter is fixed!





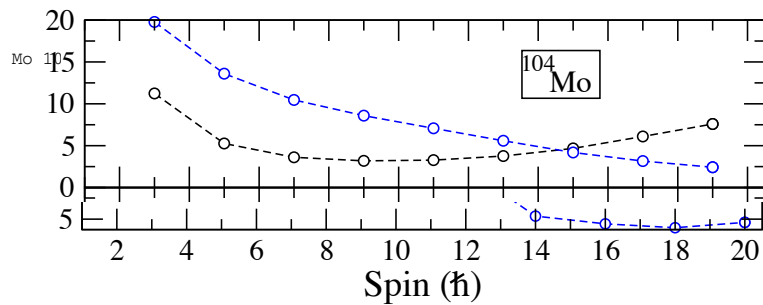
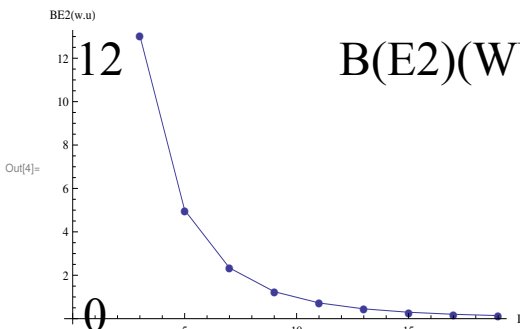


$^{104}\text{TPSM Mo}$

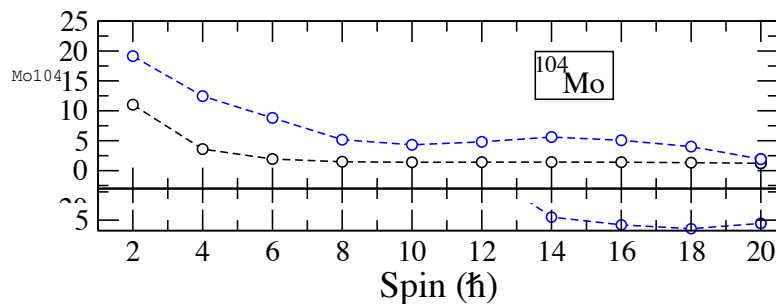
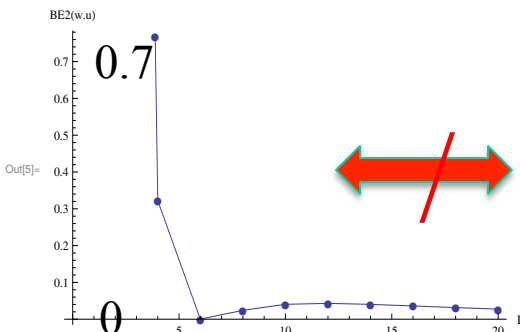


Fit to TPSM energies
by Bohr Hamiltonian

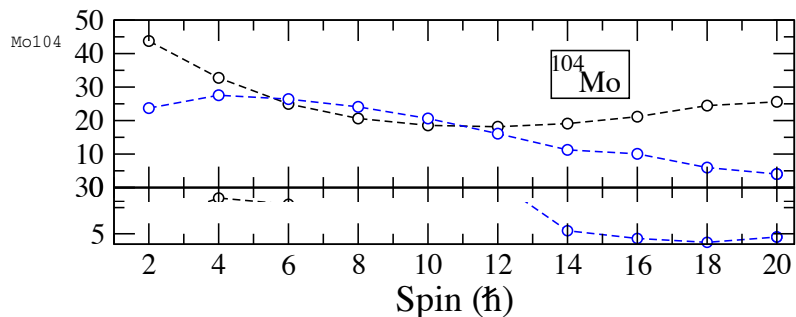
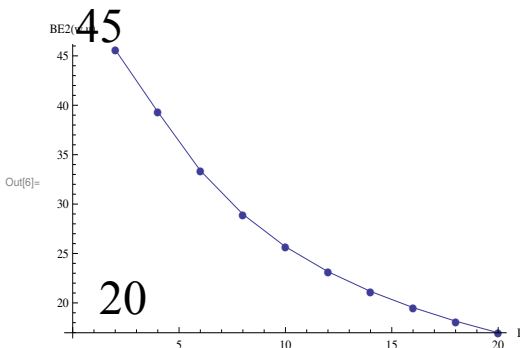
B(E2)(WU)



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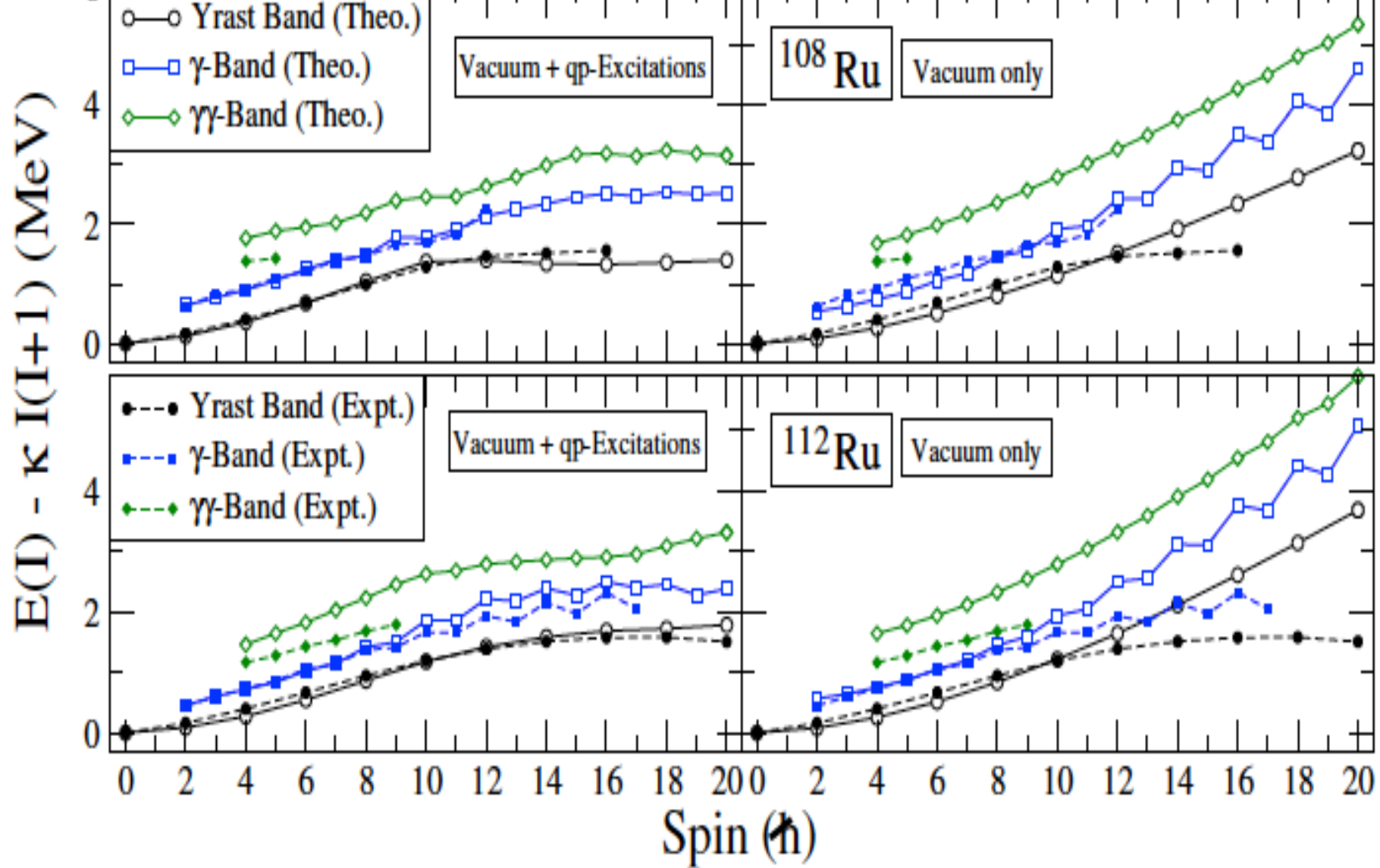


I->I-2



I->I

TPSM B(E2) from gamma to ground band



Both “best triaxial rotor” 112 and “softish” 108 reproduced with the same parameters, $\gamma\gamma$ -band too high with fixed γ deformation

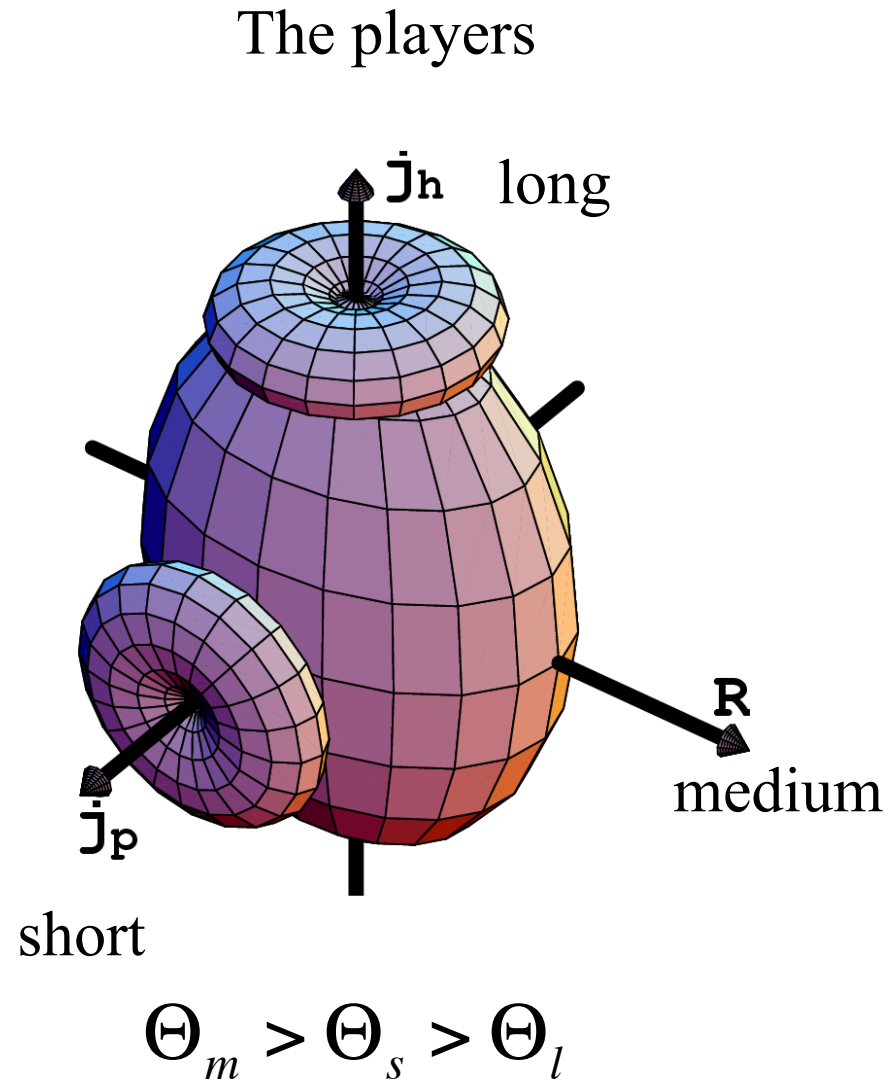
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Even-even nuclei: γ rigid or soft?

- Bohr-Hamiltonian relates staggering of γ band with softness of triaxiality
- TSPM with fixed γ accounts for the different signs of staggering
- Energy staggering alone does not discriminate
- Differences in $I \rightarrow I-2$ interband transitions
- More careful study of matrix elements from Coulex experiments on ^{104}Ru on the way
- Energy of $\gamma\gamma$ band indicates γ softness

Coupling of unpaired quasiparticles with the triaxial core

Combination of unpaired quasiparticles with Collective Triaxial Rotor



Multi-Quasiparticle+Triaxial Rotor Model

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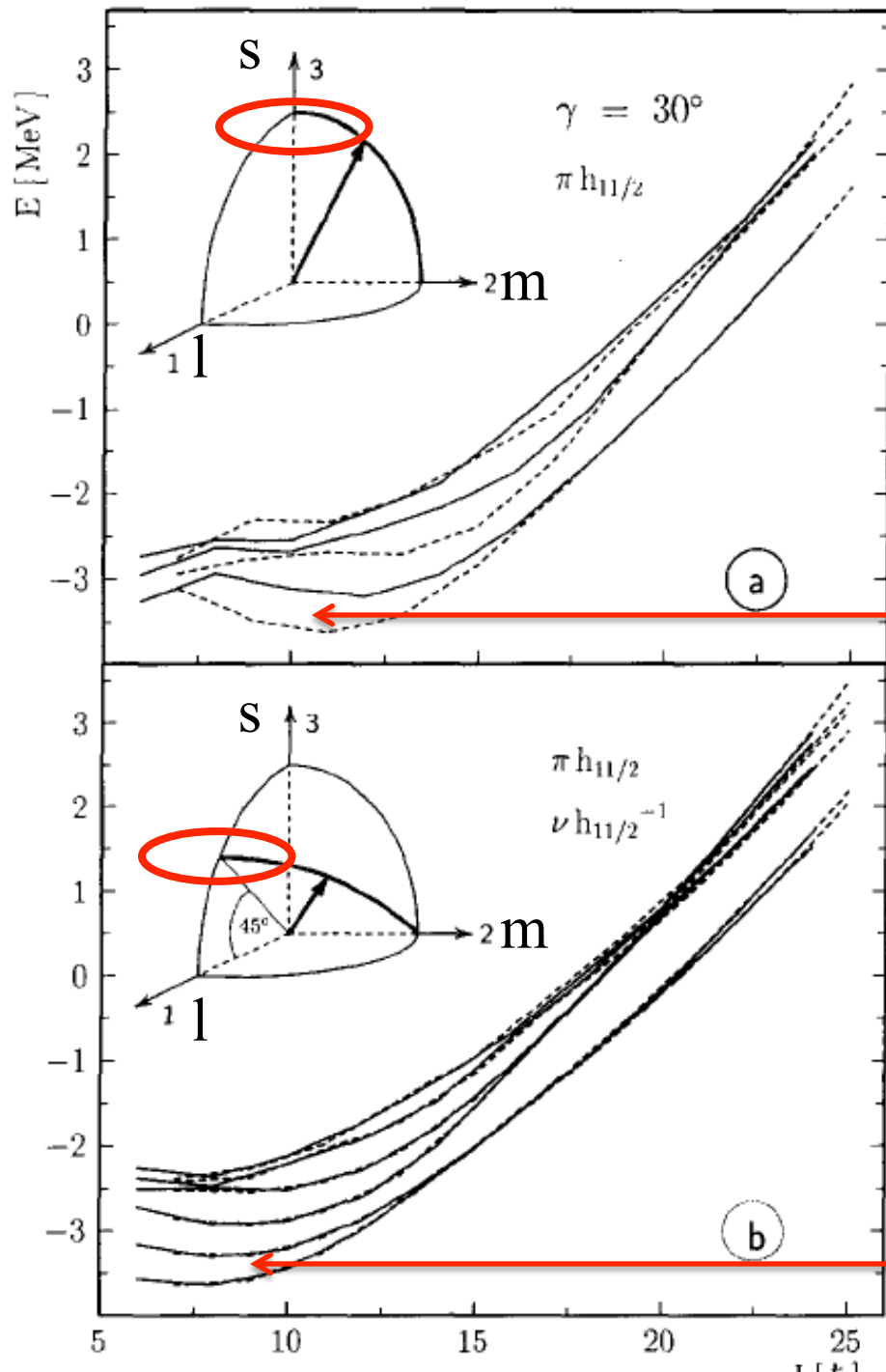
$$H = h_{\text{def}} + \sum_{\nu=1}^3 \frac{(I_{\nu} - j_{\nu})^2}{2\mathcal{J}_{\nu}}.$$

For the moments of inertia the ratios of irrotational flow are assumed,²

$$\mathcal{J}_{\nu} = \mathcal{J} \sin \left(\gamma - \frac{2\pi}{3} \nu \right)^2.$$

or taken as adjustable

or taken from cranking calculations



Transverse
Wobbling and
Chirality
come together

Transverse Wobbling

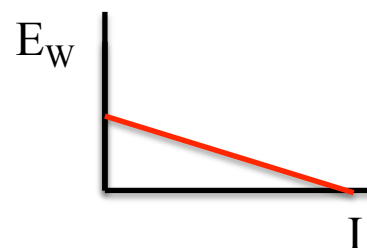
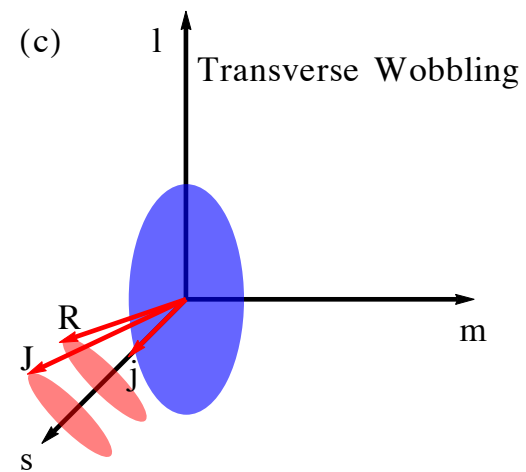
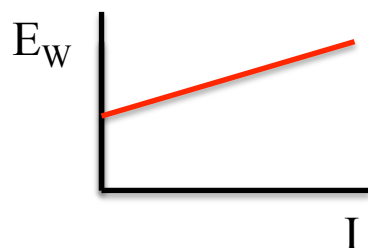
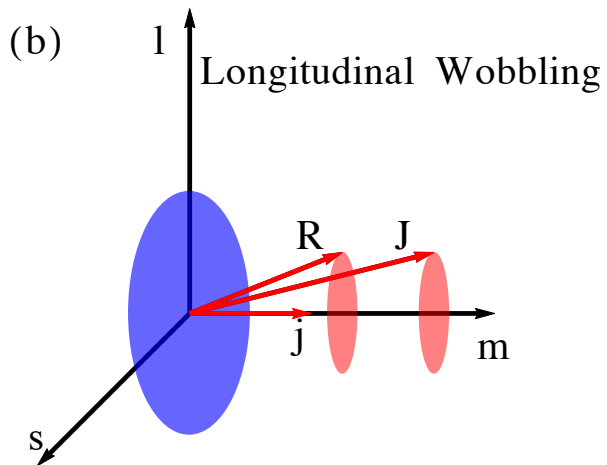
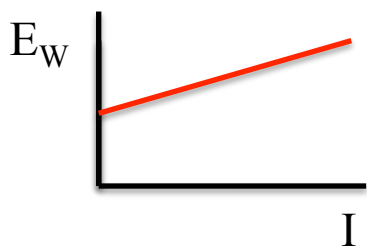
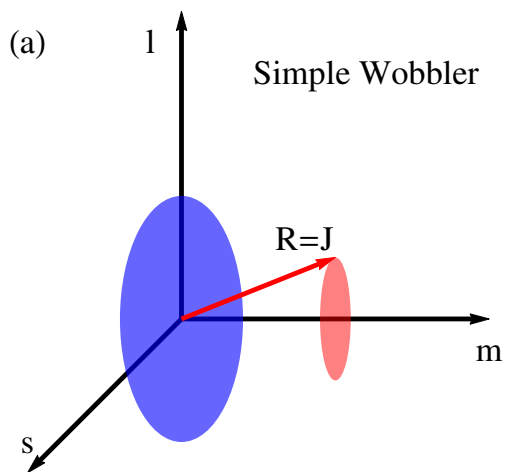
axis of max MoI: m
transverse W: j perp. m
longitudinal W: j par. m

$$\Theta_m > \Theta_s = \Theta_l, 4/1$$

Transverse Chiral Vibration

$$\Theta_m > \Theta_s > \Theta_l$$

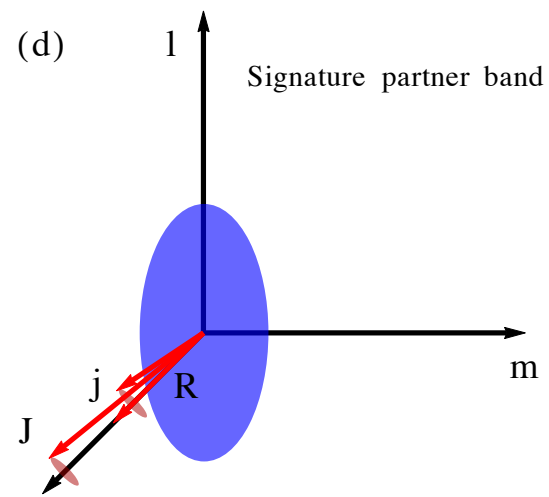
strong E2, I->I-1,



wobbling and
signature
partner bands

strong E2 I->I-1,

weak E2 I->I-1,



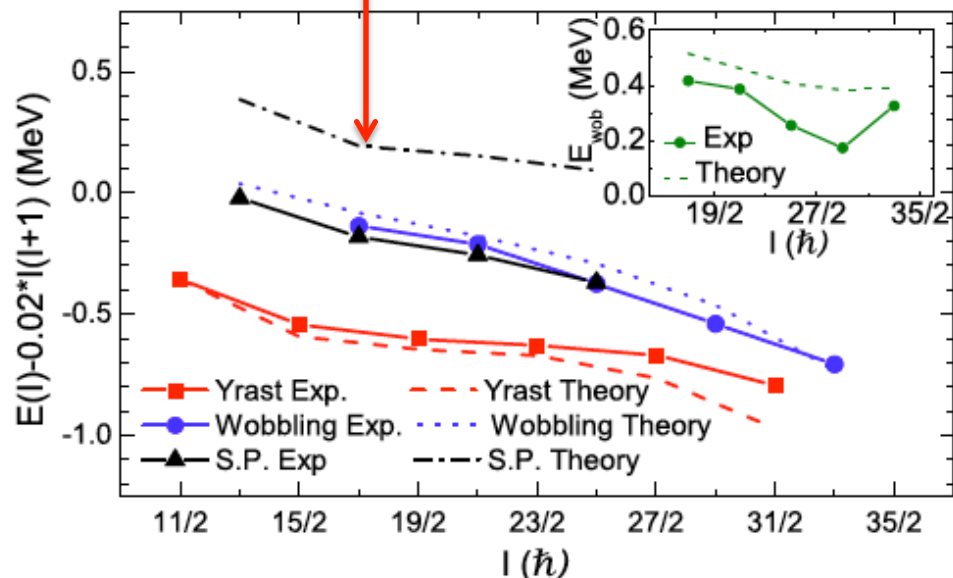
Too high!!

Transverse Wobbling in ^{135}Pr

$$\pi h_{11/2} + TR$$

$$\Theta_m / \Theta_s / \Theta_l = 23 / 13 / 7$$

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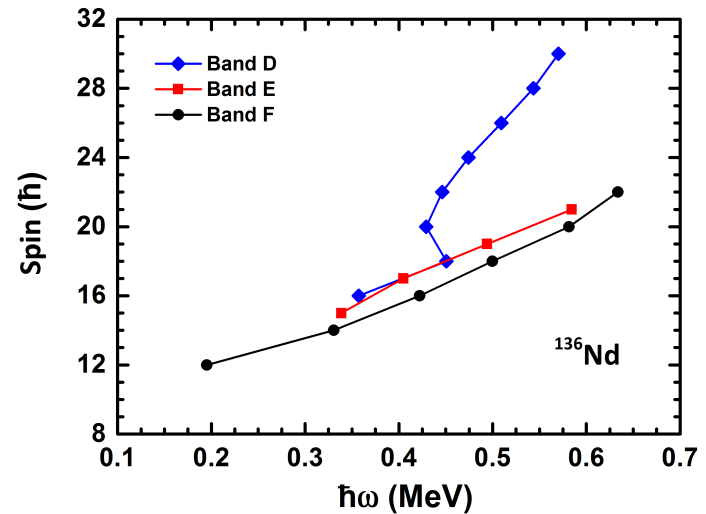
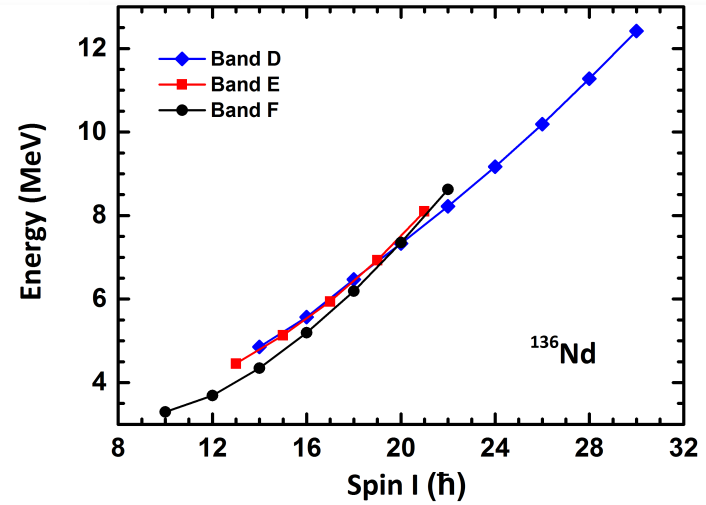
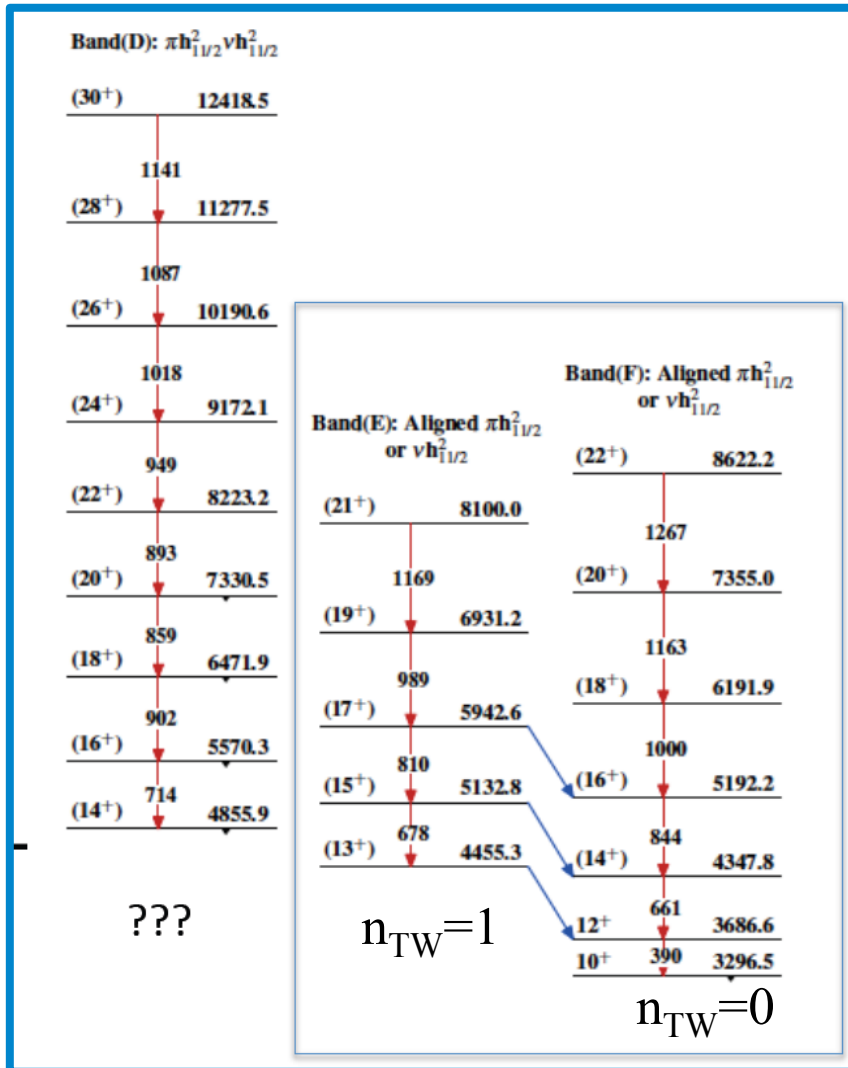
Signatures for TW:

- Wobbling energy decreases with I
 - Strong collective E2 transitions between 1 and 0 phonon states
- $$B(E2_{\text{out}}) \sim 0.5 B(E2_{\text{in}}) = 50 \text{ WU}$$

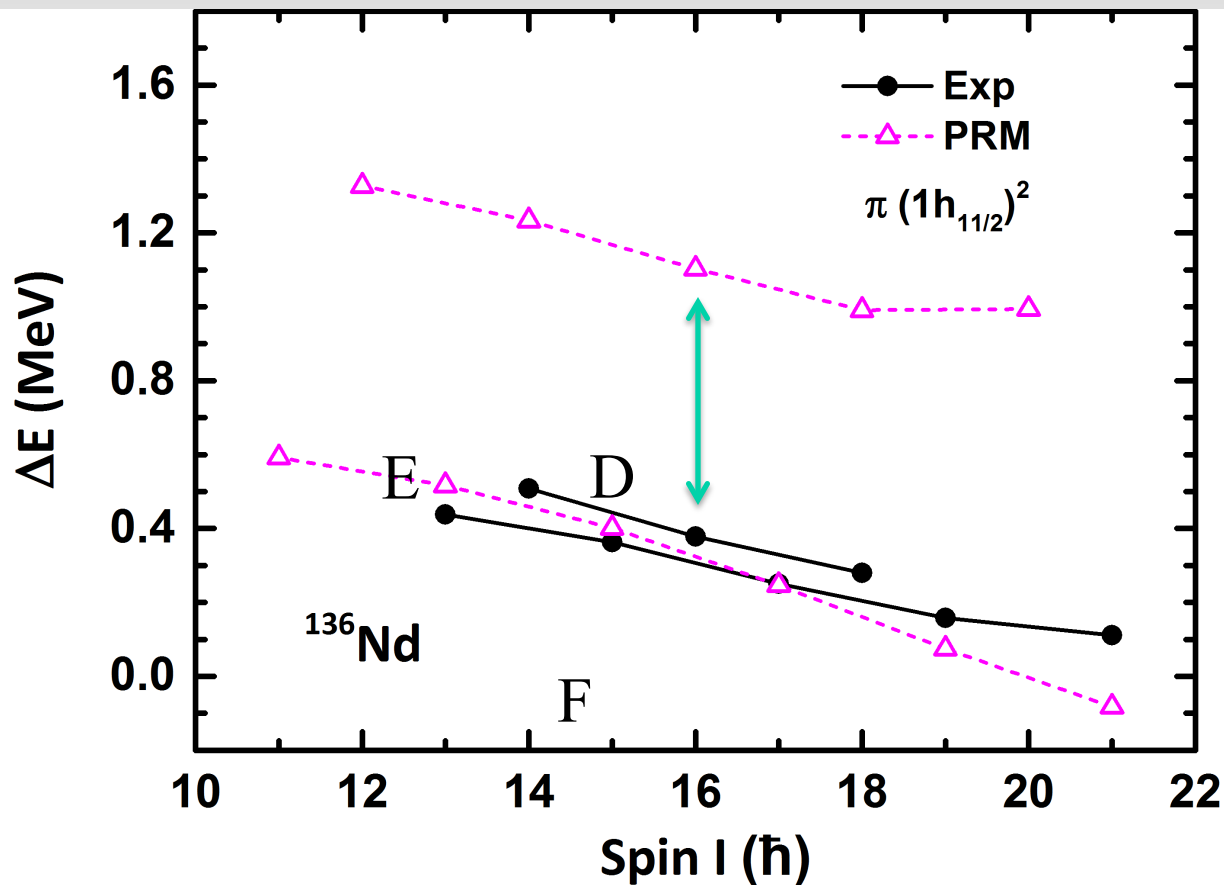
1 phonon -> 0 phonon transitions

Initial I^π	Final I^π	E_γ (keV)	δ	Asymmetry	E2 Fraction (%)	$\frac{B(M1_{\text{out}})}{B(E2_{\text{in}})} \left(\frac{\mu_N}{e^2 b^2} \right)$	Experiment	QTR	$\frac{B(E2_{\text{out}})}{B(E2_{\text{in}})}$	Experiment	QTR
$\frac{17}{2}^-$	$\frac{15}{2}^-$	747.0	-1.24 ± 0.13	0.047 ± 0.012	60.6 ± 5.1	...	...	0.213	...	...	0.908
$\frac{21}{2}^-$	$\frac{19}{2}^-$	812.8	-1.54 ± 0.09	0.054 ± 0.034	70.3 ± 2.4	0.164 ± 0.014	0.107	0.107	0.843 ± 0.032	0.843 ± 0.032	0.488
$\frac{25}{2}^-$	$\frac{23}{2}^-$	754.6	-2.38 ± 0.37	...	85.0 ± 4.0	0.035 ± 0.009	0.070	0.070	0.500 ± 0.025	0.500 ± 0.025	0.290
$\frac{29}{2}^-$	$\frac{27}{2}^-$	710.2	...	...	...	$\leq 0.016 \pm 0.004$	0.056	0.056	$\geq 0.261 \pm 0.014$	$\geq 0.261 \pm 0.014$	0.191
$\frac{13}{2}^-$	$\frac{11}{2}^-$	593.9	-0.16 ± 0.04	-0.092 ± 0.023	2.5 ± 1.2	...	...	...	...	...	...

Experimental data

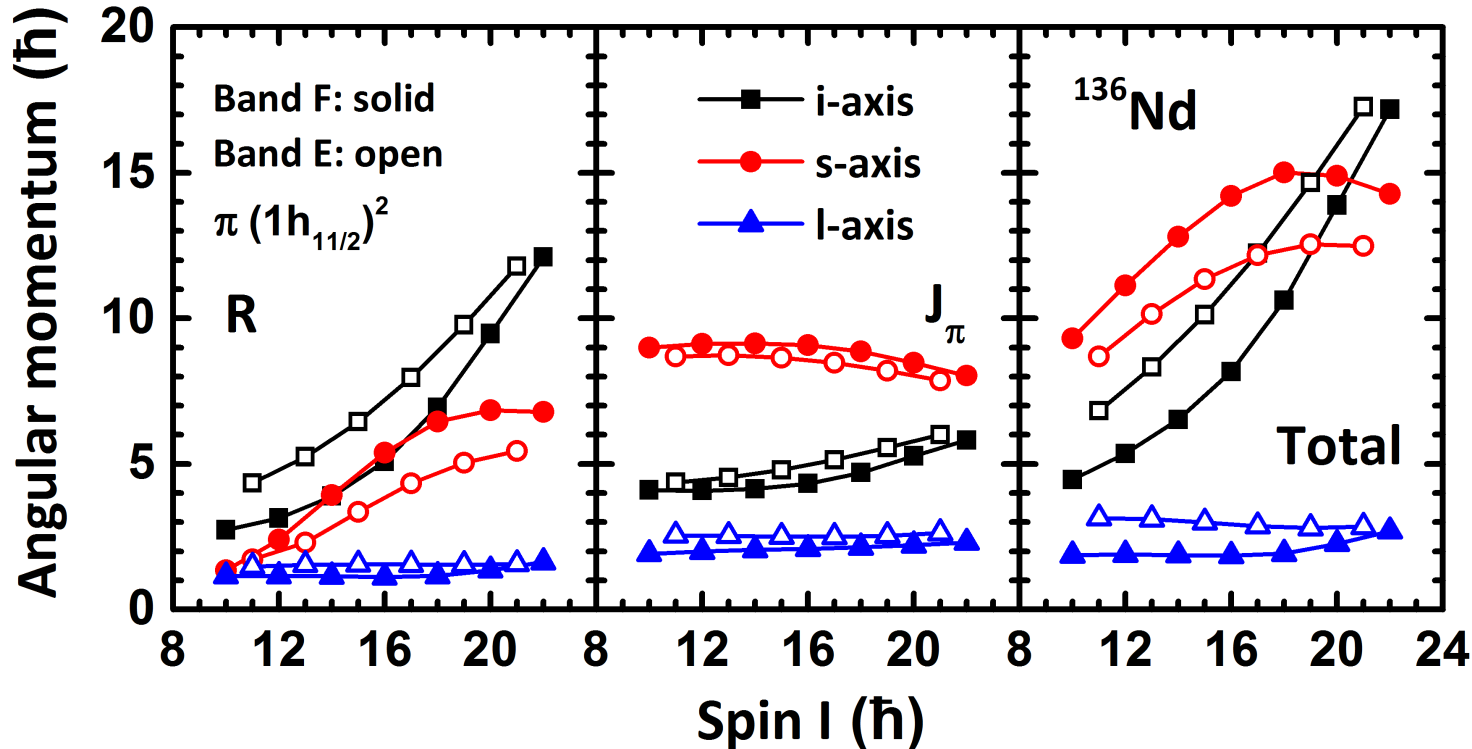


- **Backbending** is seen for band D.
- Only the low spin part ($I=14, 16, 18$) might be the partner of band E.



- Decreasing trend of energy difference are reproduced, supporting the transverse wobbling interpretation.
- Energy differences between the bands E and F are well reproduced, while energy differences between D and F are overestimated about 0.8 MeV.

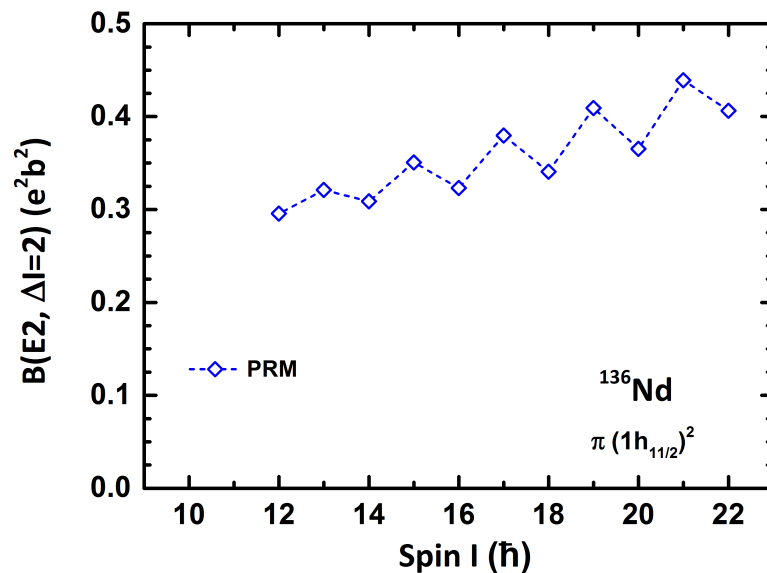
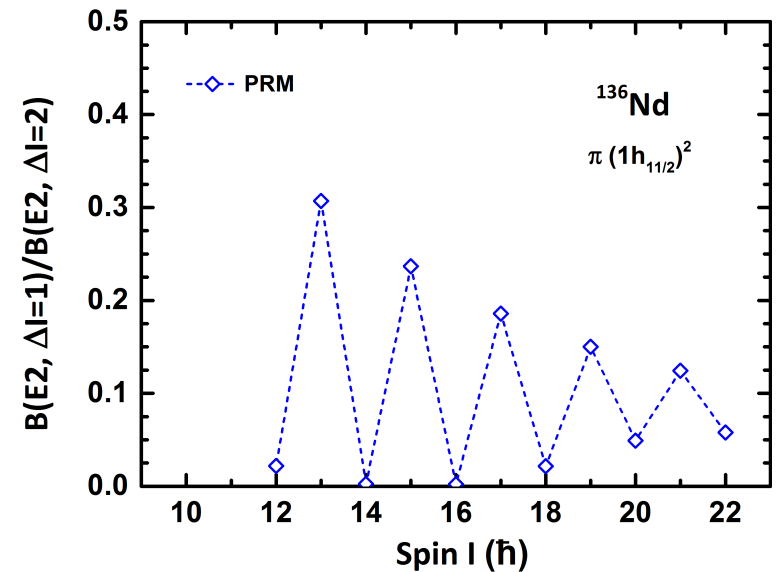
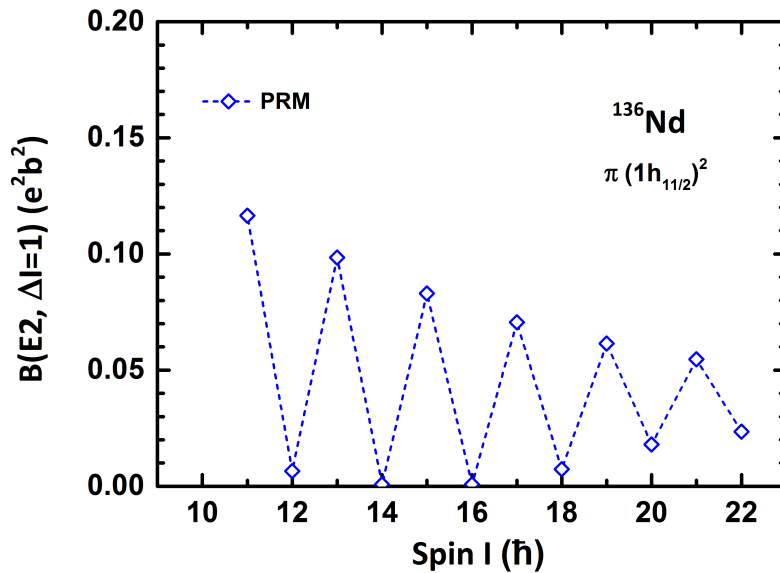
PRM: particle configuration



$$j_k = \sqrt{\langle j_k^2 \rangle}$$

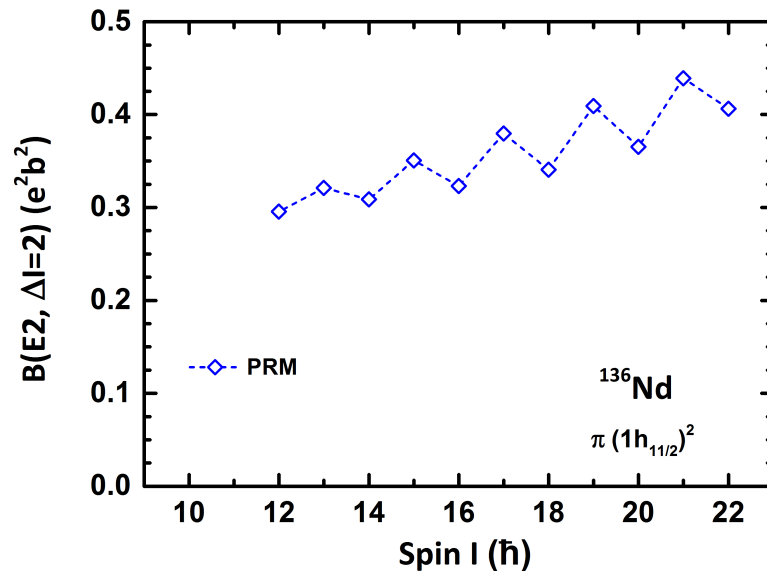
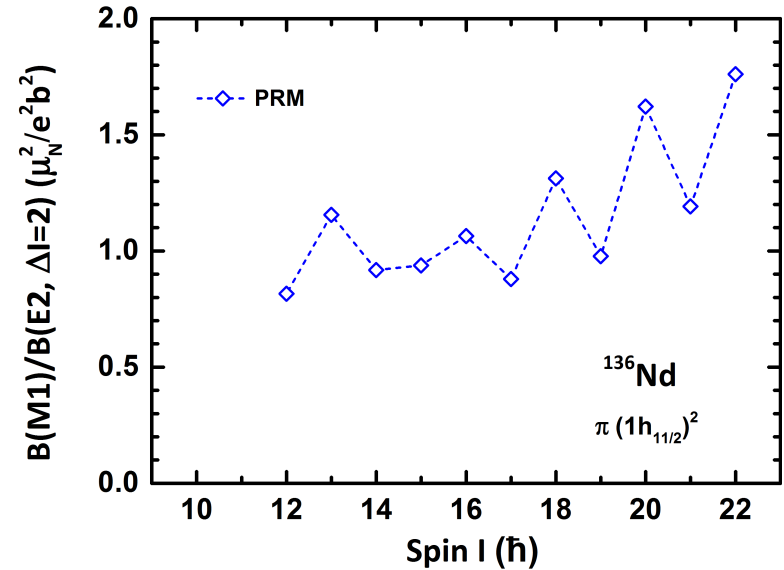
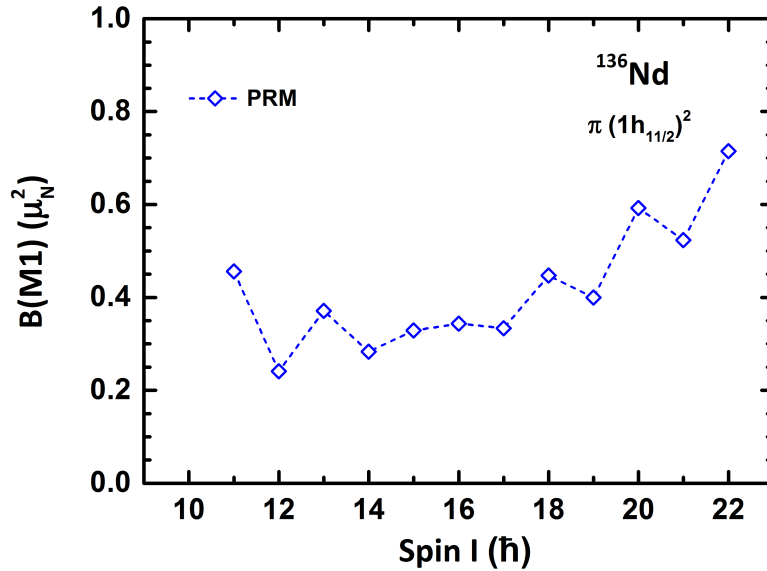
- The angular momentum of proton particles that mainly align along short axis are indeed large.
- Total spin have large component along the short axis at the low spin region.

PRM: particle configuration



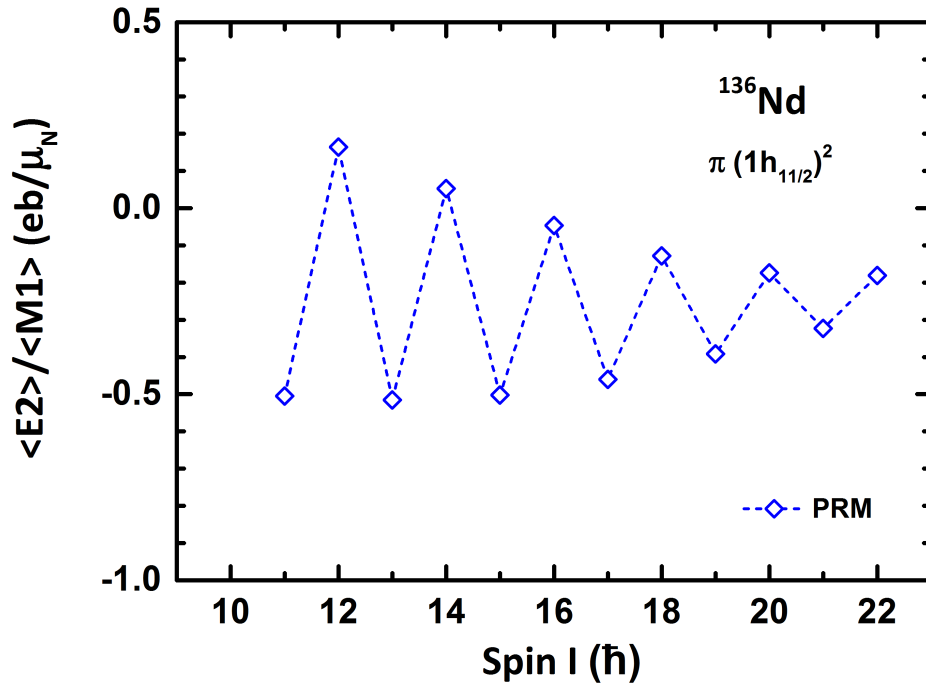
- The magnitude of BE2 ratio of band E is comparable with that in ^{135}Pr ,
- $B(E2 \ I \rightarrow I-1) \sim (30-15) \text{WU}$ supporting the wobbling interpretation.

PRM: particle configuration



- The magnitude of $B(M1)/B(E2)$ ratio ~ 10 times larger than that in ^{135}Pr .

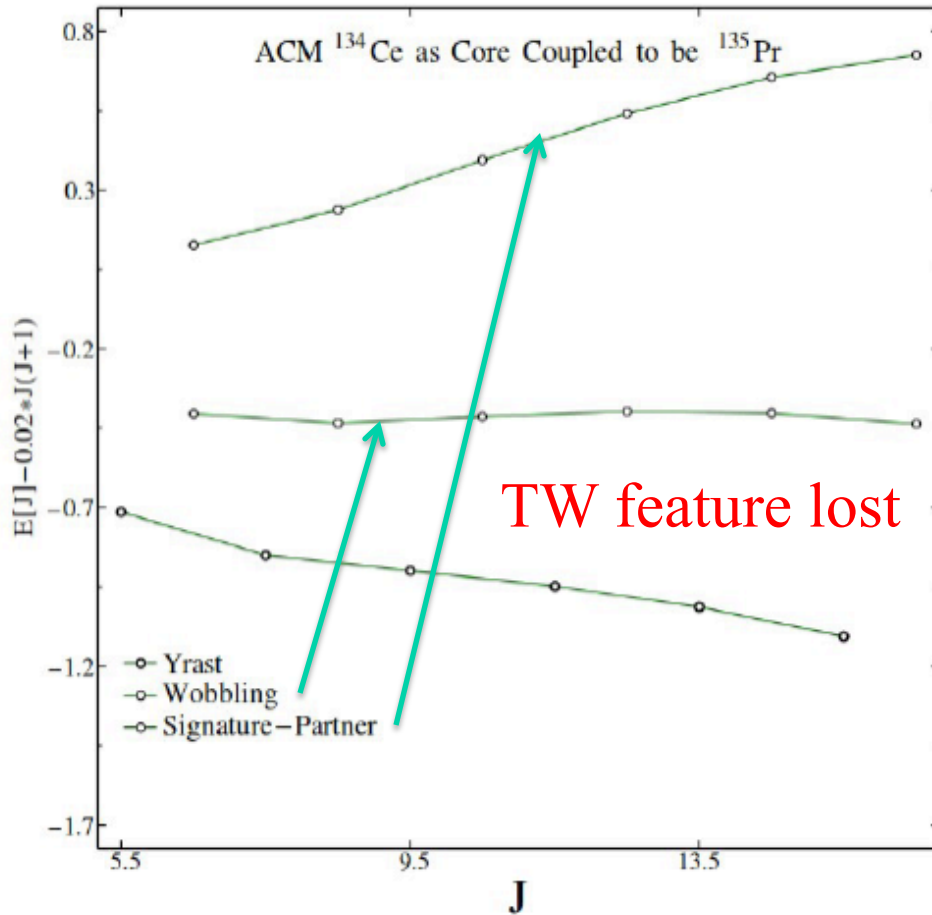
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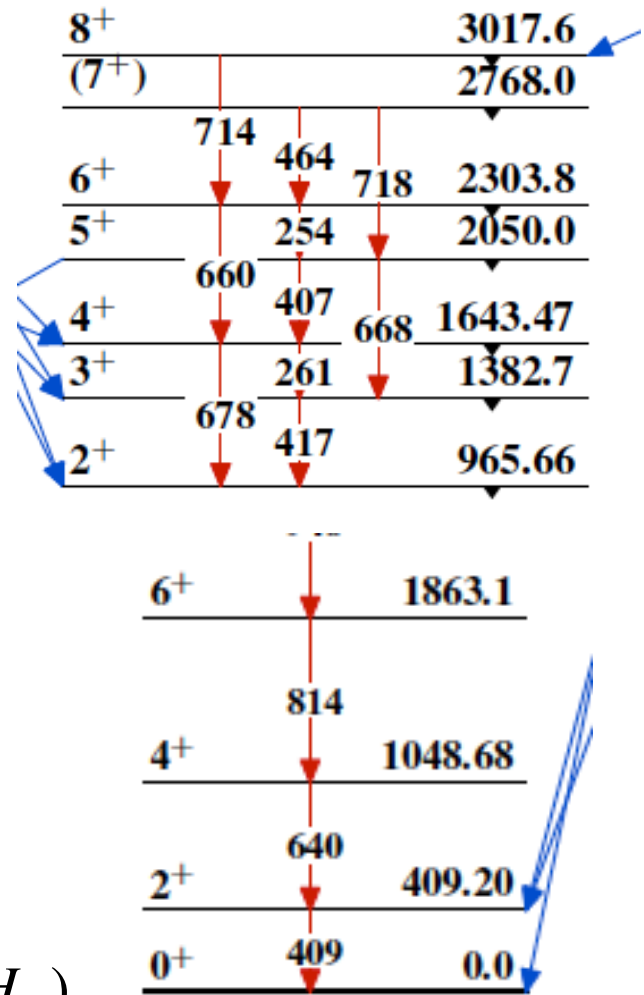
$$B(E2/M1, I \rightarrow I - 1) = \langle E2/M1 \rangle^2$$

- The magnitude of this value is smaller than in ^{135}Pr (from -1.25 to -0.50).

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Band(D): Quasi γ -band



coupling to a " γ soft core" (Bohr Hamiltonian H_B)

by quasiparticle coupling model

$$H = h_{sph} + \kappa[qQ]_0 + \Delta P - \lambda N + H_B$$

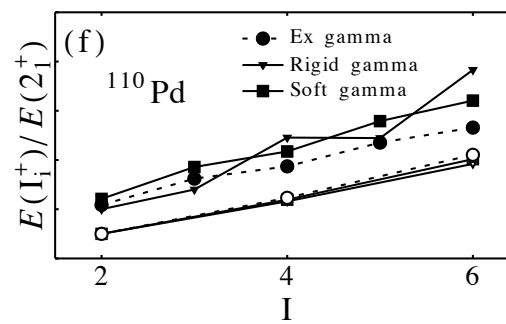
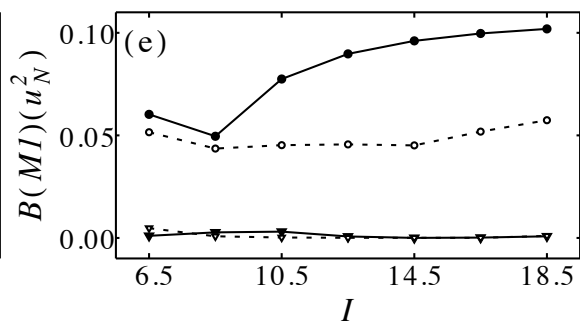
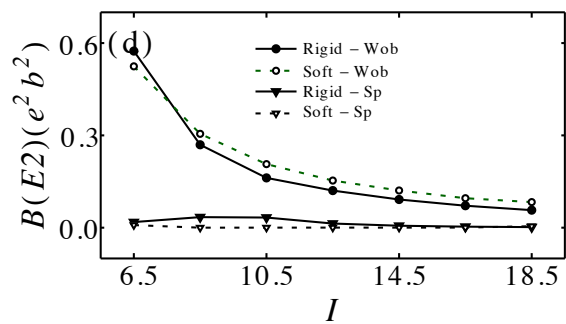
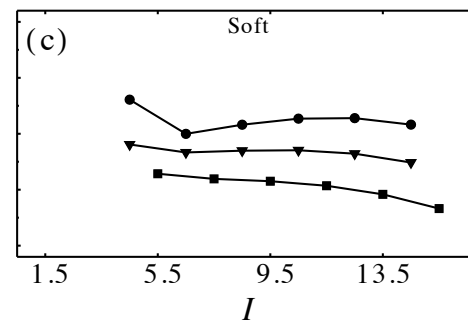
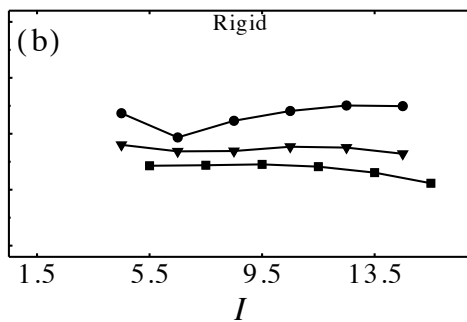
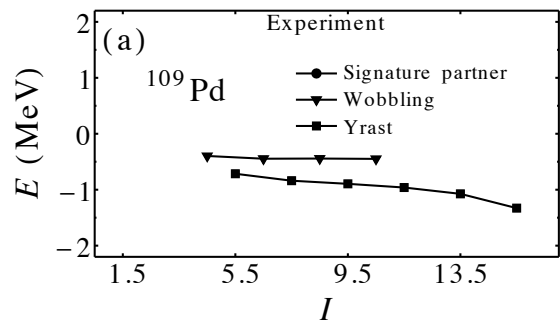
Fit to 4 parameter Bohr Hamiltonian

Odd- A nuclei: γ rigid or soft?

- Transverse wobbling appears only for stiff core
- Holds also for appearance of chiral pairs
- Does the presence of odd quasiparticles make the triaxial core stiff?
- The core is not soft as suggested by the collective Bohr Hamiltonian but stiff as assumed by the TSPM

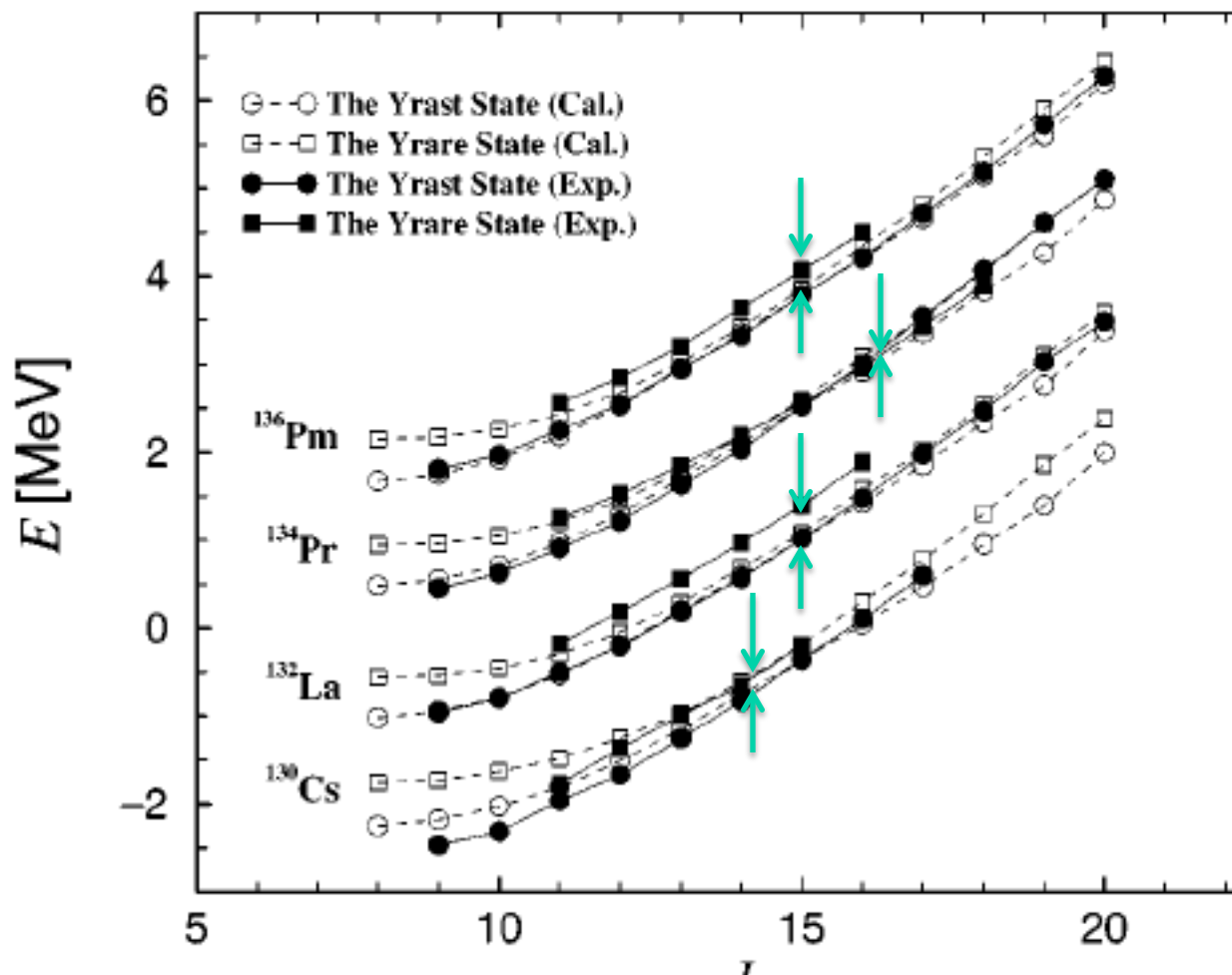
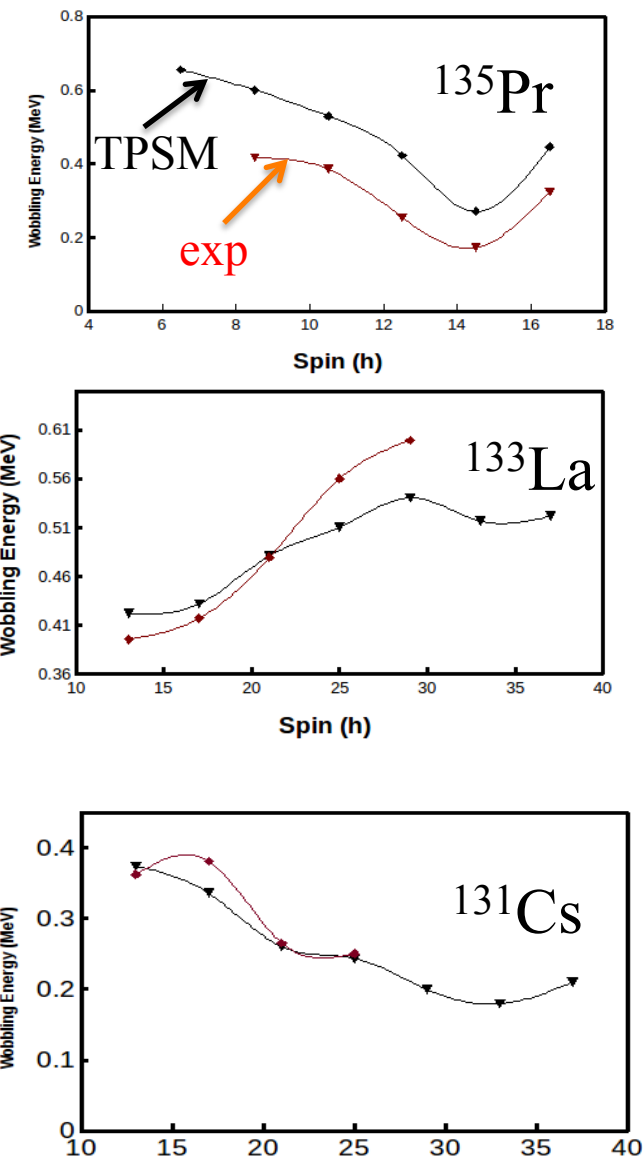
Odd-A nuclei: γ rigid or soft?

- Not the right question
- Maybe better question:
How coherent is the γ excitation mode?
- Pure collective models are have a very limited range of application
- Strong coupling to the quasiparticle degrees of freedom is crucial
- QP+TR and TPSM are only the first steps.
- Relation to the adiabatic microscopic BH



Problem with the QPTR model

Z-dependence of the TW and TCV vibrational frequencies not reproduced. TPSM OK. Pauli Principle core-qp?



4th order Rotor Hamiltonian

- Low energy dynamics is dominated orientation degrees of freedom
- The adiabatic approximation good when RPA energy is 'small'

The simplest Hamiltonian that can describe our tilted system is a fourth order rotor Hamiltonian.

$$H_I = c_1 I_1^2 + c_2 I_2^2 + c_3 I_3^2 + c_4 I_1^4 + c_5 I_3^4 + \frac{c_6}{2} (I_1^2 I_3^2 + I_3^2 I_1^2)$$

where the fourth order terms mimic the tilted mean field solution.

This Hamiltonian has the energy surface

$$E_J = c_1 J_1^2 + c_2 J_2^2 + c_3 J_3^2 + c_4 J_1^4 + c_5 J_3^4 + c_6 J_1^2 J_3^2 + c_0$$

$$E_J = c_1 (J^2 - J_3^2) \cos^2 \varphi + c_2 (J^2 - J_3^2) \sin^2 \varphi + c_3 J_3^2 +$$

$$c_4 (J^2 - J_3^2)^2 \cos^4 \varphi + c_5 J_3^4 + c_6 J_3^2 (J^2 - J_3^2) \cos^2 \varphi$$

at a constant I which we used to fit the c_i parameters to the energy surface calculated with the full TAC Hamiltonian.

Triaxial Projected Shell Model TPSM

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o-o $A \approx 100$

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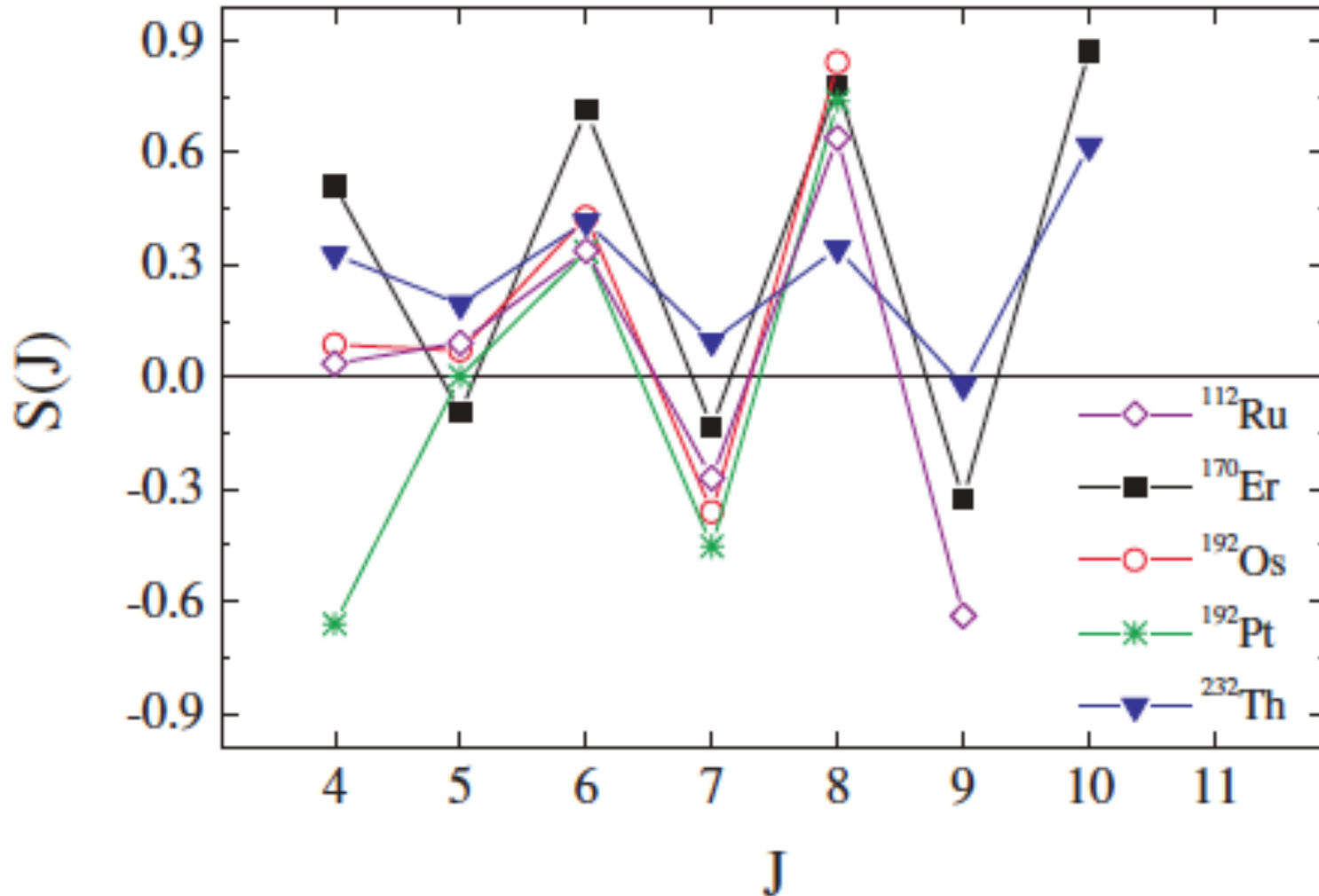
Microscopic (no phenomenological core)

Non-adiabatic

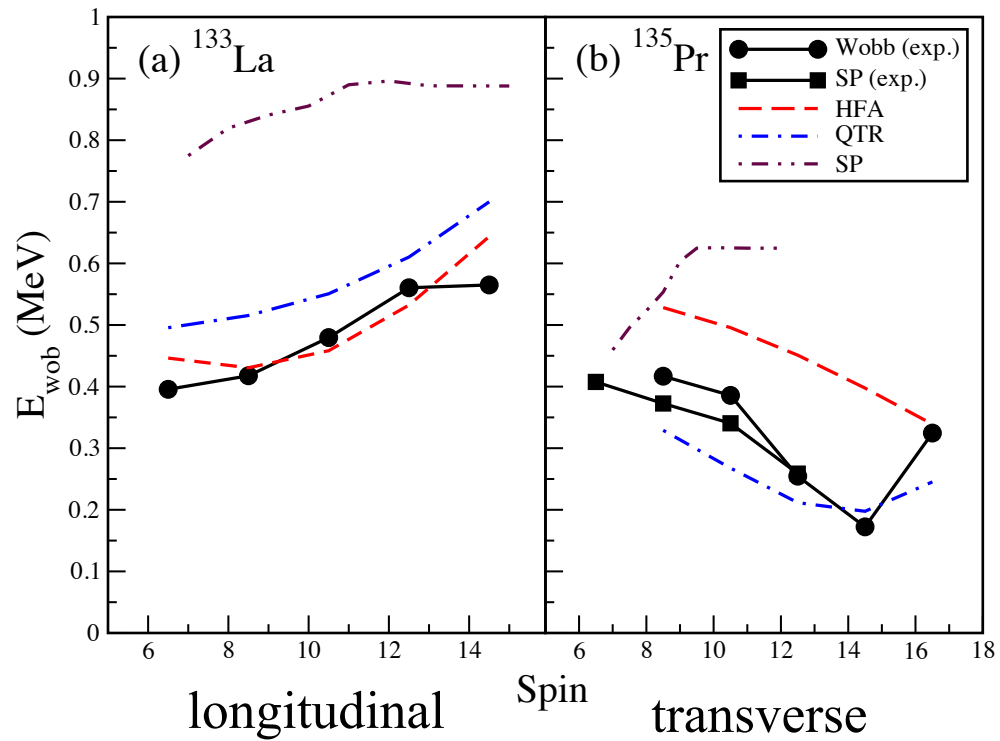
Large amplitude

Fixed shape

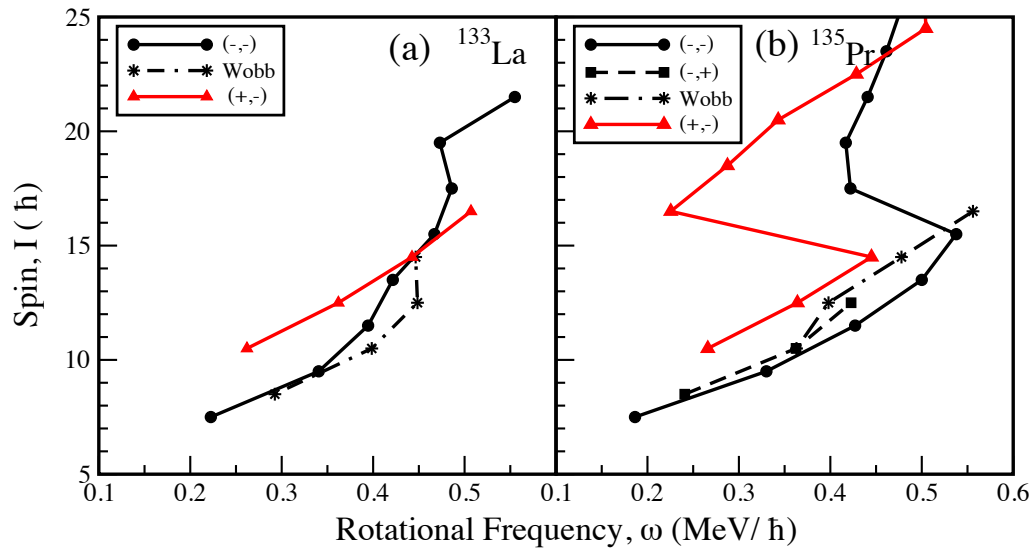
minima at odd J



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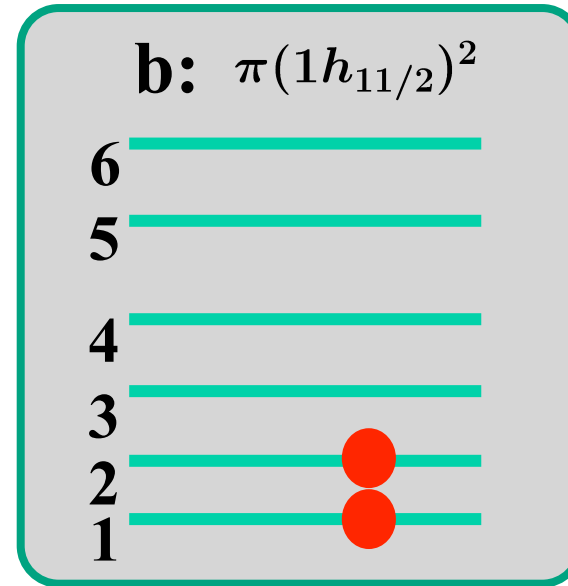
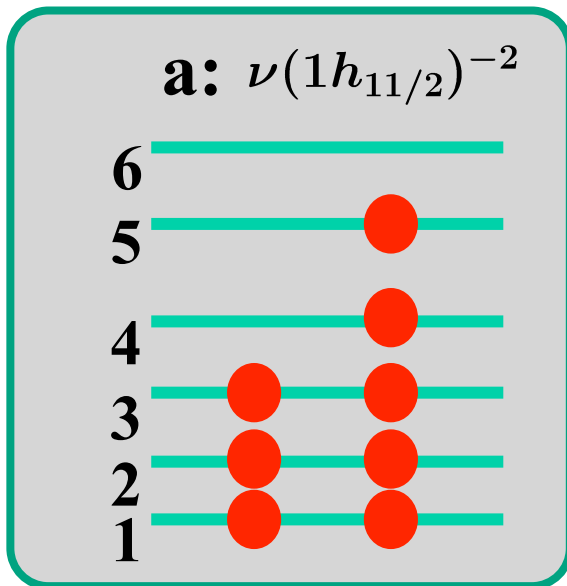
What's going on??



CDFT calculations

- Numerical details:
 - Interaction parameter: PC-PK1;
 - Harmonic oscillator shells: $N_f = 12$;
 - Pairing correlations are neglected.

State	E_x	(β, γ)	Valence configuration	Unpaired configuration	Parity
A	0.00	(0.14, 60.0°)	$\pi(gd)^{10} \otimes \nu(1h_{11/2})^{-4}$		+
a	0.68	(0.18, 23.4°)	$\pi(gd)^{10} \otimes \nu(1h_{11/2})^{-4}$	$\nu(1h_{11/2})^{-2}$	+
b	1.03	(0.21, 18.1°)	$\pi(gd)^8(1h_{11/2})^2 \otimes \nu(1h_{11/2})^{-4}$	$\pi(1h_{11/2})^2$	+



Coupling between γ mode and rotation is very well
 Described by triaxial rotor ($Q_2=7\text{eb}$)

