

Effects of reflection-asymmetric shapes on nuclear collective and isomeric properties

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Quadrupole-octupole core plus particle Hamiltonian

$$H = H_{\text{qo}} + H_{\text{s.p.}} + H_{\text{pair}} + H_{\text{Coriol}}$$

$$H_{\text{qo}} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2B_2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \beta_2^2} - \frac{\hbar^2}{2B_3} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \beta_3^2} + U(\beta_2, \beta_3, I)$$

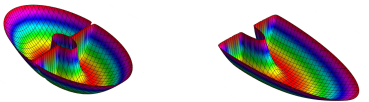
$$U(\beta_2, \beta_3, I) = \frac{1}{2} C_2 \beta_2^2 + \frac{1}{2} C_3 \beta_3^2 + \frac{d_0 + \hat{I}^2 - \hat{I}_z^2}{2\mathcal{J}(\beta_2, \beta_3)}$$

$$H_{\text{Coriol}} = -\frac{(\hat{I}_+ \hat{j}_- + \hat{I}_- \hat{j}_+)}{2\mathcal{J}(\beta_2, \beta_3)}, \quad \mathcal{J}(\beta_2, \beta_3) = (d_2 \beta_2^2 + d_3 \beta_3^2)$$

$$\text{DSM: } H_{\text{sp}} = T + V_{\text{ws}}(\beta_2, \beta_3, \dots) + V_{\text{s.o.}} + V_{\text{c}}$$

$$\text{DSM+BCS: } H_{\text{qp}} \equiv H_{\text{sp}} + H_{\text{pair}} \rightarrow \epsilon_{\text{qp}}^K = \sqrt{(E_{\text{sp}}^K - \lambda)^2 + \Delta^2}$$

Coherent quadrupole-octupole mode (CQOM) in the even core

$$U(\beta_2, \beta_3, I):$$


$$(\beta_2 > 0)$$

$$U(\beta_2, \beta_3, I) + \langle H_{\text{Coriol}}^K \rangle = \frac{1}{2} C_2 \beta_2^2 + \frac{1}{2} C_3 \beta_3^2 + \frac{\tilde{X}(I, K)}{d_2 \beta_2^2 + d_3 \beta_3^2}$$

$$\tilde{X}(I, K) = \frac{1}{2} [d_0 + I(I+1) - K^2 + 2\mathcal{J}(\beta_2, \beta_3) \cdot \langle H_{\text{Coriol}}^K \rangle]$$

$$\text{CQOM: } \omega = \sqrt{C_2/B_2} = \sqrt{C_3/B_3} \equiv \sqrt{C/B}$$

$$H_{\text{qo}} + H_{\text{Coriol}} : \tilde{E}_{n,k}^{\text{qo}}(I, K) = \hbar\omega \left[2n + 1 + \sqrt{k^2 + b\tilde{X}(I, K)} \right]$$

Quadrupole-octupole (QO) vibration function of the core

$$\Phi_{n,k,l}^{\pi}(\eta, \phi) = \psi_{nk}^l(\eta) \varphi_k^{\pi}(\phi)$$

$$\beta_2 = \sqrt{d/d_2} \eta \cos \phi, \quad \beta_3 = \sqrt{d/d_3} \eta \sin \phi, \quad d = (d_2 + d_3)/2$$

$$\psi_{nk}^l(\eta) = \sqrt{\frac{2c\Gamma(n+1)}{\Gamma(n+2s+1)}} e^{-c\eta^2/2} c^s \eta^{2s} L_n^{2s}(c\eta^2)$$

$$\varphi_k^+(\phi) = \sqrt{2/\pi} \cos(k\phi), \quad k = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

$$\varphi_k^-(\phi) = \sqrt{2/\pi} \sin(k\phi), \quad k = 2, 4, 6, \dots$$

[N. M. et al, Phys. Rev. C **73**, 044315 (2006); **76**, 034324 (2007)]

Total core plus particle wave function

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_{nkIMK}^{\pi, \pi^b}(\eta, \phi) &= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{2I+1}{16\pi^2}} \Phi_{nkl}^{\pi, \pi^b}(\eta, \phi) \\ &\times \left[D_{MK}^I(\theta) \mathcal{F}_K^{(\pi^b)} + \pi \cdot \pi^b (-1)^{I+K} D_{M-K}^I(\theta) \mathcal{F}_{-K}^{(\pi^b)} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_\Omega = \sum_{Nn_z\Lambda} C_{Nn_z\Lambda}^\Omega |Nn_z\Lambda\Omega\rangle \stackrel{\Omega=K}{=} \mathcal{F}_K^{(+)} + \mathcal{F}_K^{(-)}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_K^{(\pi^b)} = \mathcal{F}_K^{(\pm)} \rightarrow \text{projected s.p. wave function}$$

$\pi^b = \pm$ experimental parity of the bandhead state

[N. M., S. Drenka, M. Strecker and W. Scheid, JPG **37**, 025103 (2010)]

Quasi parity-doublet spectrum from CQOM+DSM+BCS

$$E_{nk}(I^\pi, K_b) = \epsilon_{\text{qp}}^{K_b} + \hbar\omega \left[2n + 1 + \sqrt{k^2 + b\tilde{X}(I^\pi, K_b)} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{X}(I^\pi, K_b) = & \frac{1}{2} \left[d_0 + I(I+1) - K_b^2 + (-1)^{I+\frac{1}{2}} \left(I + \frac{1}{2} \right) a_{\frac{1}{2}}^{(\pi\pi^b)} \delta_{K_b, \frac{1}{2}} \right. \\ & \left. - A \sum_{\substack{\nu \neq b \\ (K_\nu = K_b \pm 1, \frac{1}{2})}} \frac{[\tilde{a}_{K_\nu, K_b}^{(\pi\pi^b)}(I)]^2}{\epsilon^{K_\nu} - \epsilon^{K_b}} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$\tilde{a}_{K_\nu, K_b}^{(\pi, \pi^b)}(I) \rightarrow$ **Coriolis mixing** ($\sim \langle \mathcal{F}_{K_\nu'}^{(\pi^b)} | \hat{j}_+ | \mathcal{F}_{K_\nu}^{(\pi^b)} \rangle$ from DSM)

$a_{1/2}^{(\pi, \pi^b)} = \pi\pi_b a_{\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}}^{(\pi^b)} \rightarrow$ **decoupling factor**

[N. M., Phys. Scripta **T154**, 014017 (2013)]

Coriolis mixed core+particle wave function

$$\tilde{\Psi}_{nkIMK_b}^{\pi,\pi^b} = \frac{1}{\tilde{N}_{I\pi K_b}} \left[\Psi_{nkIMK_b}^{\pi,\pi^b} + A \sum_{\substack{\nu \neq b \\ (K_\nu = K_b \pm 1, \frac{1}{2})}} C_{K_\nu K_b}^{I\pi} \Psi_{nkIMK_\nu}^{\pi,\pi^b} \right]$$

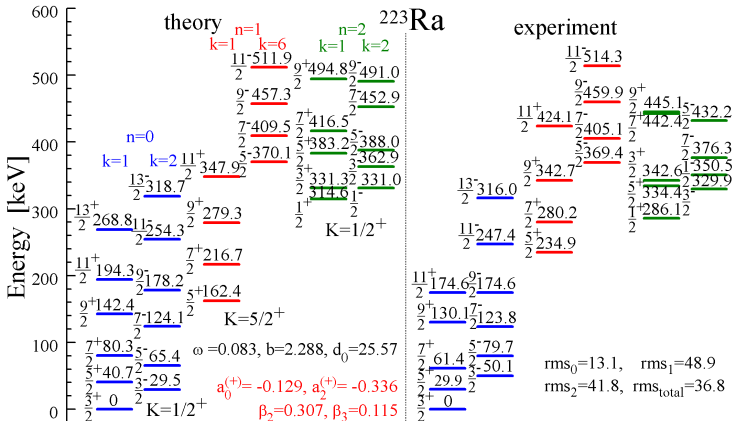
$$C_{K_\nu K_b}^{I\pi} = \frac{\tilde{a}_{K_\nu K_b}^{(\pi\pi^b)}(I)}{\epsilon_{K_\nu} - \epsilon_{K_b}}$$

Reduced $E\lambda$ and M1 transition probabilities

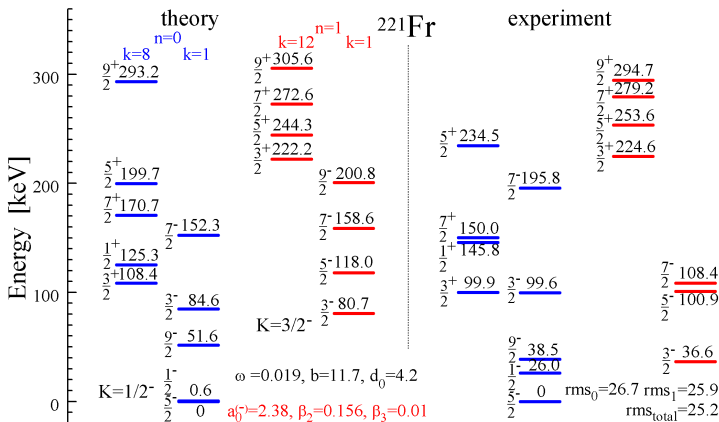
$$\begin{aligned}
 B(E\lambda; \pi^{b_i} n_i k_i l_i K_i \rightarrow \pi^{b_f} n_f k_f l_f K_f) \\
 = \frac{1}{2I_i + 1} \sum_{M_i M_f \mu} \left| \left\langle \tilde{\Psi}_{n_f k_f l_f M_f K_f}^{\pi_f, \pi^{b_f}} | \hat{M}_\mu(E\lambda) | \tilde{\Psi}_{n_i k_i l_i M_i K_i}^{\pi_i, \pi^{b_i}} \right\rangle \right|^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \mathcal{F}_{K_f}^{(\pi^{b_f})} | \hat{M}_{1z} | \mathcal{F}_{K_i}^{(\pi^{b_i})} \rangle &= \sqrt{\frac{3}{4\pi}} \mu_N \left[(g_I - g_R) K_i \delta_{K_f K_i} \langle \mathcal{F}_{K_f}^{(\pi^{b_f})} | \mathcal{F}_{K_i}^{(\pi^{b_i})} \rangle \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + (g_S - g_I) \langle \mathcal{F}_{K_f}^{(\pi^{b_f})} | \hat{S}_z | \mathcal{F}_{K_i}^{(\pi^{b_i})} \rangle \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

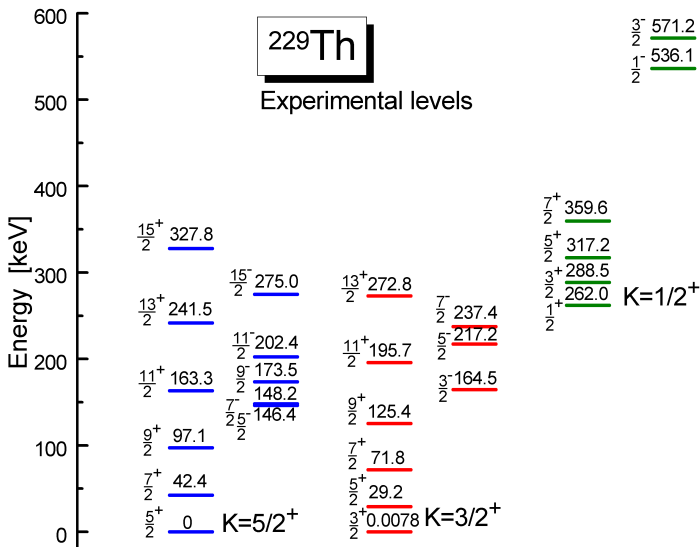
Coriolis K -mixed matrix elements \Rightarrow permission of K -forbidden gamma transitions!

CQOM-DSM-BCS description of QD spectrum in ^{223}Ra

 N. M., Phys. Scripta **T154**, 014017 (2013)

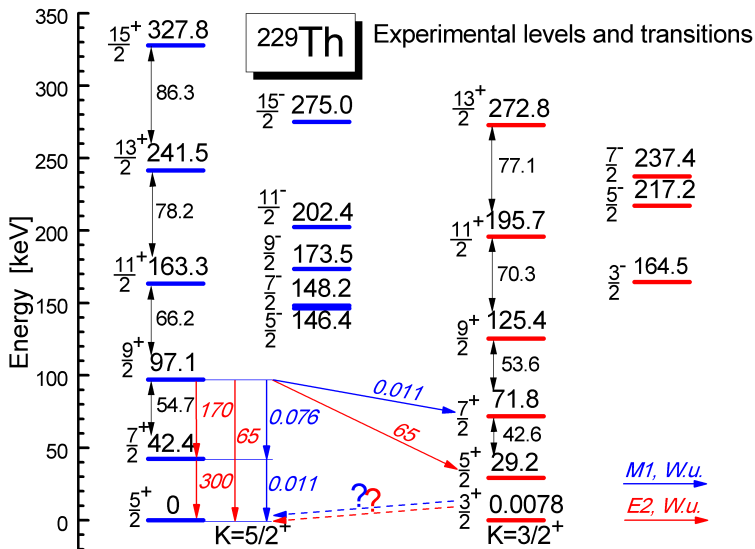
CQOM-DSM-BCS description of QD spectrum in ^{221}Fr



^{229}Th : experimental spectrum

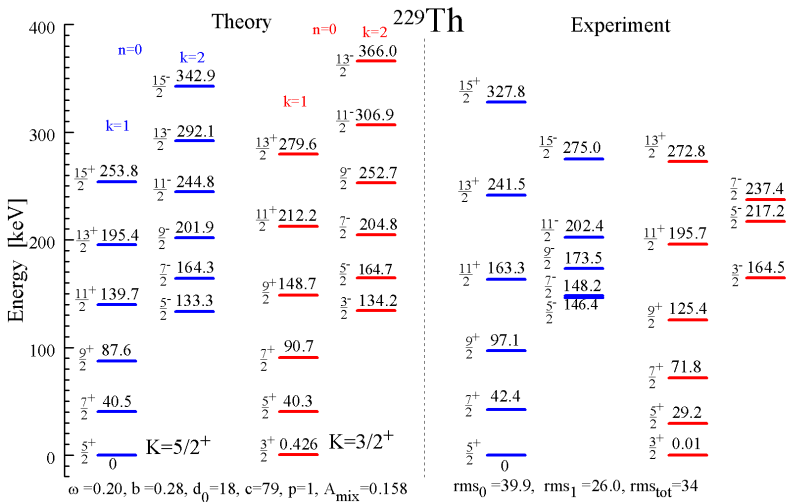


^{229}Th : Low-energy levels and transitions



Details of the CQOM+DSM+BCS model calculations

- **General:** two quasi-doublets with identical QO oscillation quantum numbers $n = 0$, $k^+ = 1$, $k^- = 2$ built on $5/2[633]$ and $3/2[631]$ s.p. orbitals
- **DSM:** β_2 and β_3 determination \rightarrow correct positions and mutual spacing of the $5/2[633]$ and $3/2[631]$ orbitals \Rightarrow $\beta_2 = 0.240$ and $\beta_3 = 0.115$
- **CQOM:** parameters fits \rightarrow ω , b , d_0 (for energy levels); c , p (transition probabilities); K -mixing constant A (energies and transitions)
- **BCS:** pairing constants tuning $\rightarrow E(3/2^+) \sim 0.4$ keV
- **Isomer energy adjustment:** ω , b , d_0 tuning \Rightarrow $E(3/2^+) \sim 0.0078$ keV \rightarrow rms deterioration 0.4 – 1.0 keV

Theoretical and experimental quasi parity-doublet spectrum of ^{229}Th


Theoretical and experimental B(E2) and B(M1) transition values for ^{229}Th

N. M. and A. Pálffy, Phys. Rev. Lett. **118**, 212501 (2017)

Type/Mult	Transition	Th1[Th2] (W.u.)	Exp (W.u.)
E2	$7/2_{\text{yrs}}^+ \rightarrow 5/2_{\text{yrs}}^+$	252 [267]	300 (± 16)
E2	$9/2_{\text{yrs}}^+ \rightarrow 5/2_{\text{yrs}}^+$	82 [85]	65 (± 7)
E2	$9/2_{\text{yrs}}^+ \rightarrow 7/2_{\text{yrs}}^+$	213 [224]	170 (± 30)
E2	$9/2_{\text{yrs}}^+ \rightarrow 5/2_{\text{ex1}}^+$	19.98 [17.37]	6.2 (± 0.8)
E2	$3/2_{\text{ex1}}^+ \rightarrow 5/2_{\text{yrs}}^+$	27.04 [23.05]	?
M1	$7/2_{\text{yrs}}^+ \rightarrow 5/2_{\text{yrs}}^+$	0.0093 [0.0085]	0.0110 (± 0.0040)
M1	$9/2_{\text{yrs}}^+ \rightarrow 7/2_{\text{yrs}}^+$	0.0178 [0.0157]	0.0076 (± 0.0012)
M1	$9/2_{\text{yrs}}^+ \rightarrow 7/2_{\text{ex1}}^+$	0.0151 [0.0130]	0.0117 (± 0.0014)
M1	$3/2_{\text{ex1}}^+ \rightarrow 5/2_{\text{yrs}}^+$	0.0076 [0.0061]	?

Th1 $\rightarrow E(3/2^+) = 0.4263$ keV

Th2 $\rightarrow E(3/2^+) = 0.0078$ keV

Theoretical $B(E2)$ and $B(M1)$ transition values for ^{229}Th at different parameter sets

ω	b	d_0	c	p	A	$k_{\text{yr}}^{(-)}$	$k_{\text{ex}}^{(-)}$	rms _{yr}	rmsex	rms _{tot}	$E_{\text{ex}}(\frac{3}{2}^+)$	$B(E2)$	$B(M1)$
0.2039	0.28	18	79	1.0	0.158	2	2	39.9	26.0	34	0.4263	27.04	0.0076
0.2361	0.28	33	89	1.0	0.141	2	2	41.2	26.4	35	0.0078	23.05	0.0061
0.0912	2.39	49	245	1.0	0.152	4	6	37.6	15.8	29	0.3556	25.80	0.0071
0.0635	4.51	45	321	1.0	0.144	6	8	36.4	12.4	28	0.0725	22.86	0.0063
0.0563	7.34	66	473	1.0	0.138	8	10	38.3	11.9	29	10^{-9}	21.31	0.0058

\Rightarrow experimental transition probabilities for the $3/2^+$ -isomer decay in ^{229}Th expected in the limits:

$B(E2)=20-30$ W.u.

$B(M1)=0.006-0.008$ W.u.

Phys. Rev. Lett. **118**, 212501 (2017)

DSM+BCS analysis of 2qp energies and magnetic moments

Two-quasiparticle energies:

$$E_{2qp}^{K\pi} = E_{1qp}^{\Omega_1\pi_1} + E_{1qp}^{\Omega_2\pi_2}, \quad E_{1qp}^{\Omega\pi} = \sqrt{(E_{sp}^{\Omega\pi} - \lambda)^2 + \Delta^2}$$

Magnetic moment of the 2qp configuration

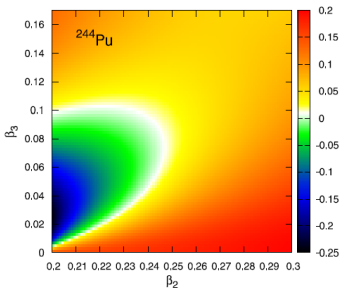
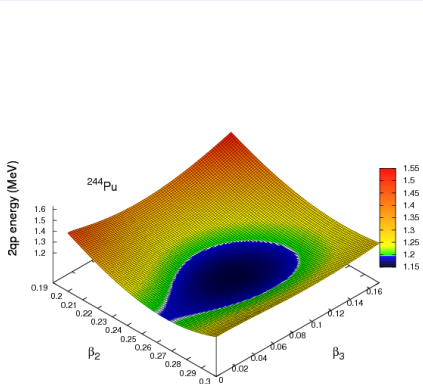
$$\mu = \mu_N \left[g_R \frac{I(I+1) - K^2}{I+1} + g_K \frac{K^2}{I+1} \right]$$

$$\mu_N = e\hbar/(2mc), \quad g_R = Z/A$$

$$g_K = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{n=1,2} \langle \mathcal{F}_{\Omega_n} | g_s \cdot \Sigma + g_l \cdot \Lambda | \mathcal{F}_{\Omega_n} \rangle$$

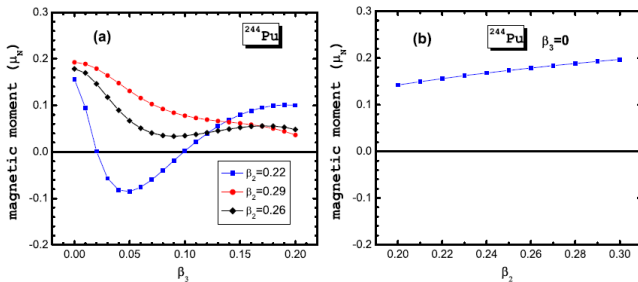
$$\Sigma = \Omega \mp \Lambda, \quad g_s = 0.6g_s^{free}$$

Two-quasiparticle energy and magnetic moment for the $K^\pi = 8^-$ $\{\nu 7/2[624] \otimes \nu 9/2[734]\}$ configuration in ^{244}Pu

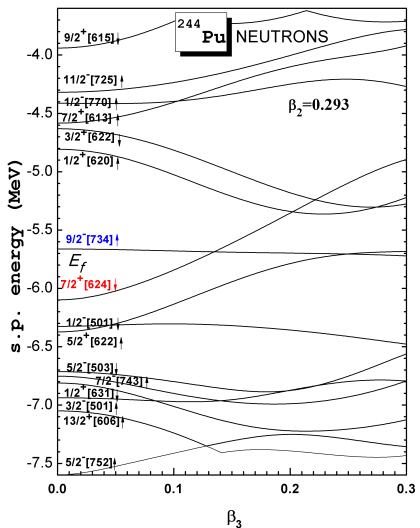


[P. M. Walker and N. Minkov, Phys. Lett. B **694**, 119-122 (2010)]

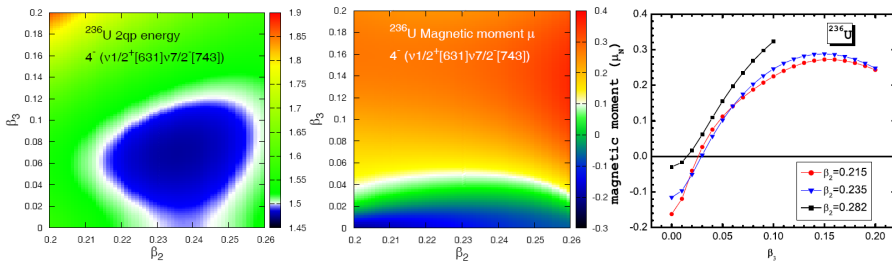
Magnetic moment in the $K^\pi = 8^-, \{\nu 7/2[624] \otimes \nu 9/2[734]\}$, state of ^{244}Pu



Neutron s.p. levels in ^{244}Pu ($K^\pi = 8^- \{ \nu 7/2[624] \otimes \nu 9/2[734] \}$ configuration)

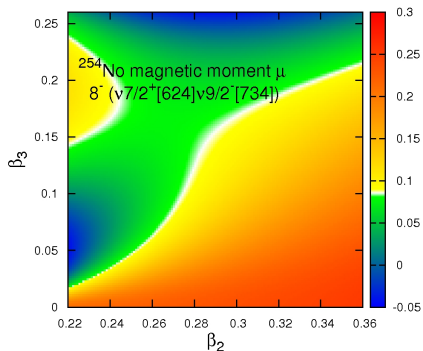
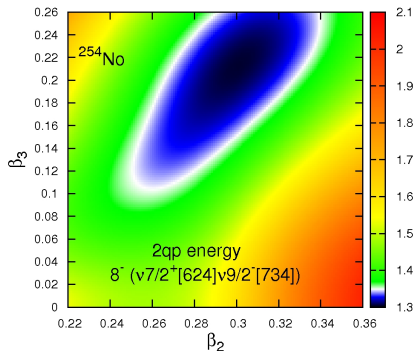


Two-quasiparticle energy and magnetic moment for the $K^\pi = 4^-$ $\{\nu 1/2[631] \otimes \nu 7/2[743]\}$ configuration in ^{236}U



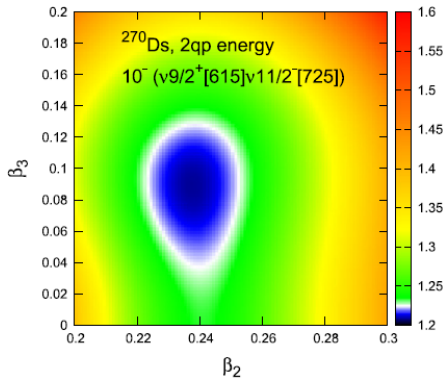
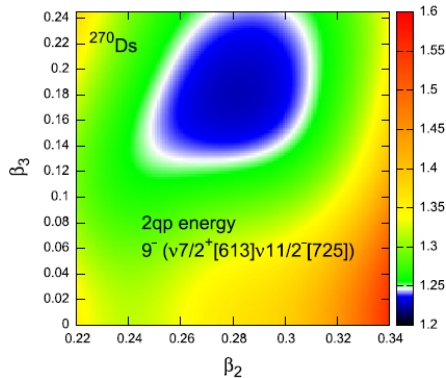
[N. Minkov and P. M. Walker, Eur. Phys. Journal A, **48**: 80 (2012)]

Two-quasiparticle energy and magnetic moment for the $K^\pi = 8^-$ $\{\nu 7/2[624] \otimes \nu 9/2[734]\}$ configuration in ^{254}No



[N. Minkov and P. M. Walker, Phys. Scripta **89**, 054021 (2014)]

2qp energy and magnetic moments for $K^\pi = 9^-, 10^-$ isomers in ^{270}Ds



[N. Minkov and P. M. Walker, Phys. Scripta **89**, 054021 (2014)]

SUMMARY

- **Model:** collective CQOM plus microscopic DSM+BCS with fully microscopically treated Coriolis interaction - **E/M transitions with K-mixing.**
- **Applications:** quasi-parity doublet spectra in odd-mass nuclei (^{223}Ra , ^{221}Fr).
- ^{229}Th : **complete nuclear-structure-model calculation** for the low-lying spectrum including the 7.8 eV isomer.
- ^{229m}Th **interpretation:** a bandhead of an excited parity quasi-doublet, built on $3/2[631]$ q.p. state coupled to a collective quadrupole-octupole vibration-rotation mode - **remarkably fine interplay between all involved modes!**
- ^{229m}Th **decay:** **predicted B(E2), B(M1) values** for $3/2_{isom}^+ \rightarrow 5/2_{gs}^+$ and available data on other transition rates.
- **DSM+BCS for high K-isomers:** strong dependence of the magnetic moments on the octupole deformation and isomer energy minima at non-zero octupole deformation.

N. Minkov, Gif-sur-Yvette, 7 October 2017

