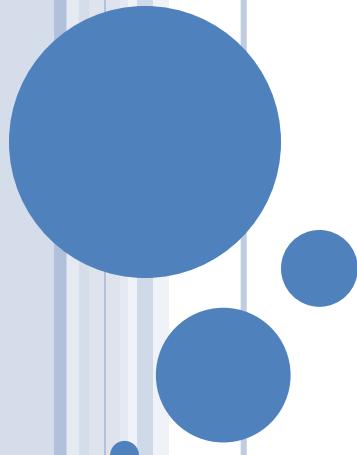


# Shape evolution in neutron-rich Zr isotopes; Lifetime measurements in $^{98}\text{Zr}$

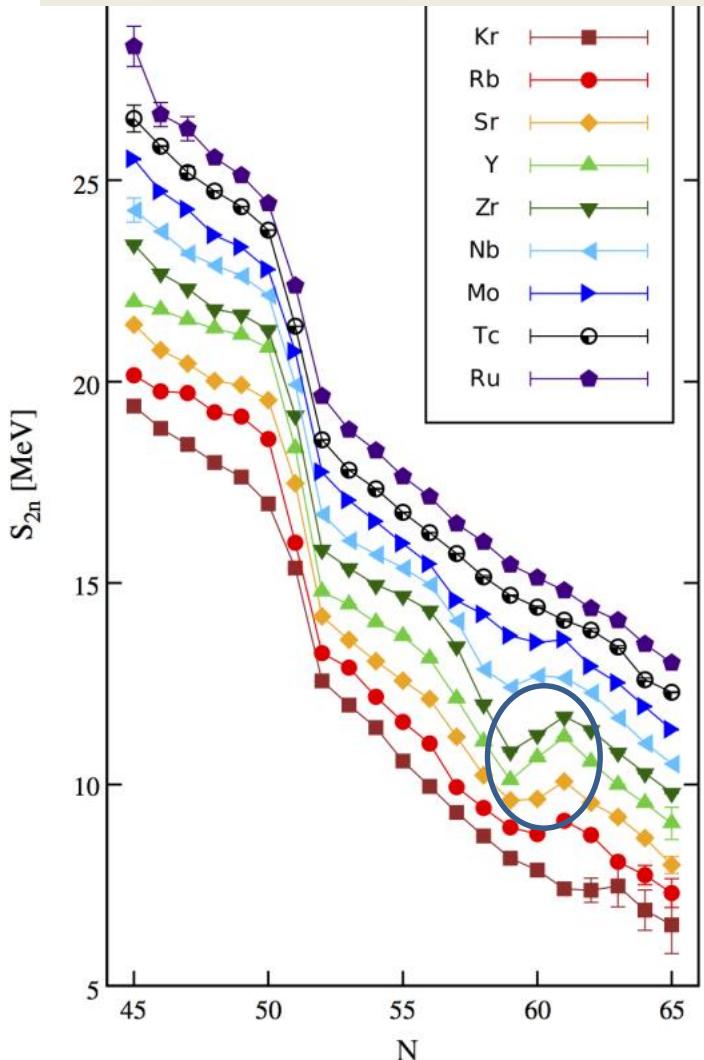


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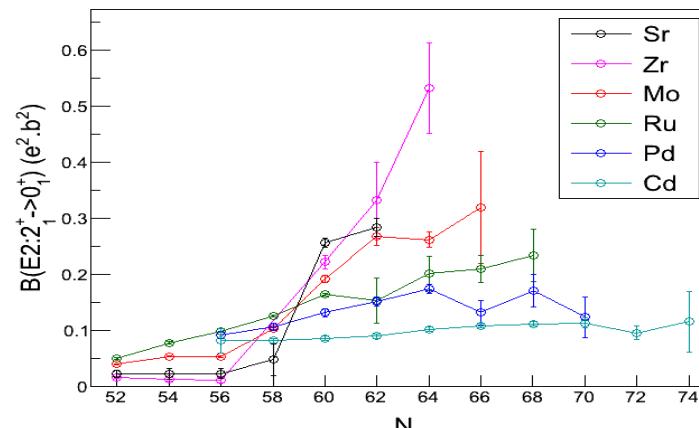
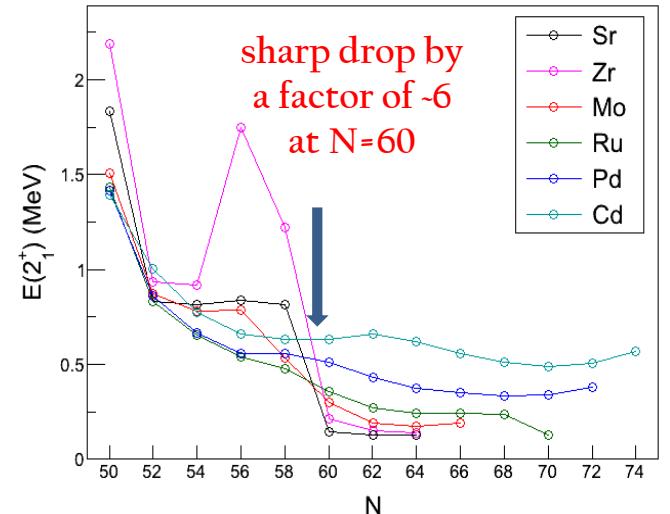
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# Evidence for abrupt shape changes at N=60

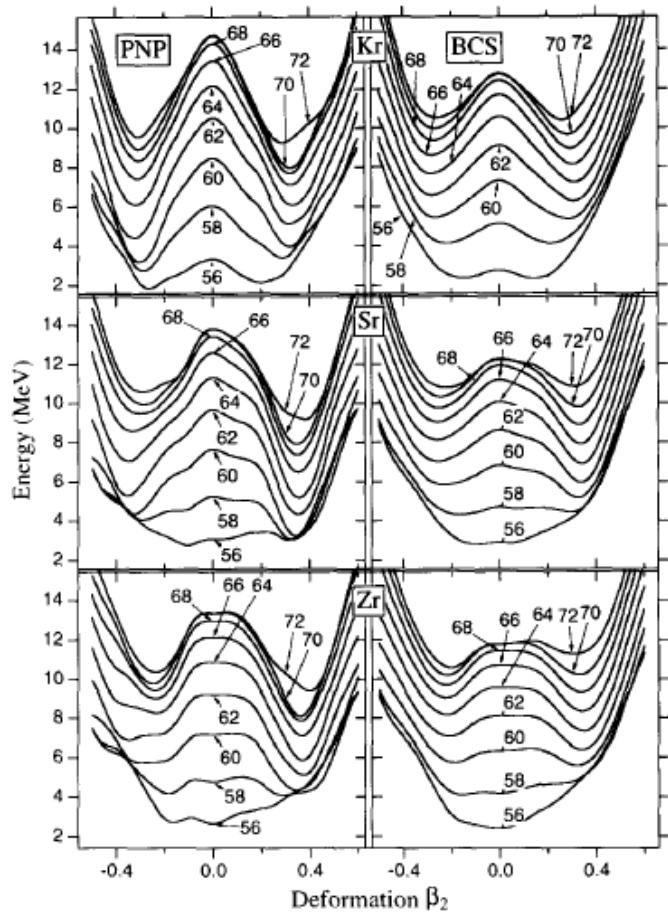
Two-neutron separation energies



Excitation energies and transition probabilities of first  $2^+$  state

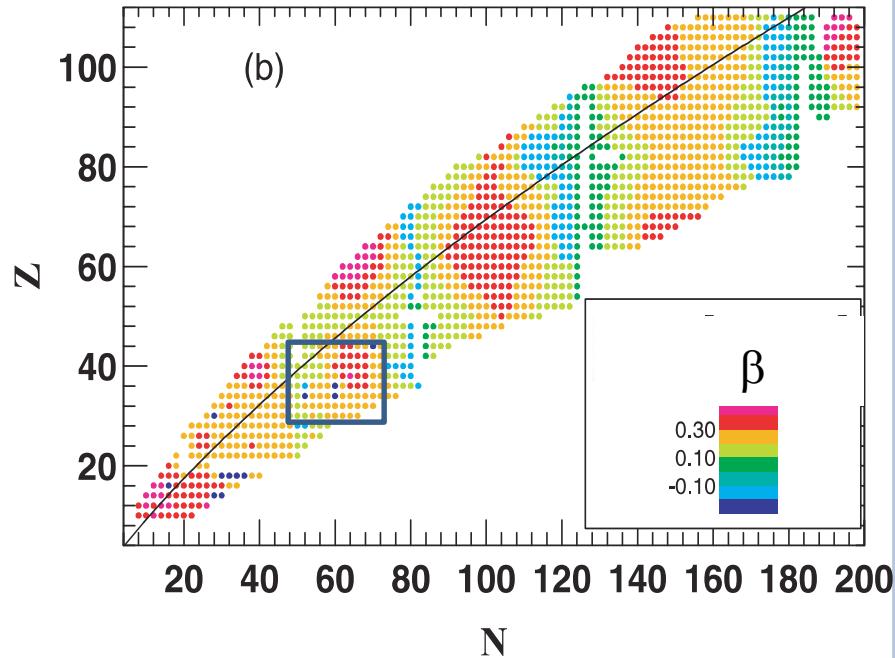


# Shape coexistence and evolution in A~100 region



Oblate and prolate minima,  
varying with Z,N

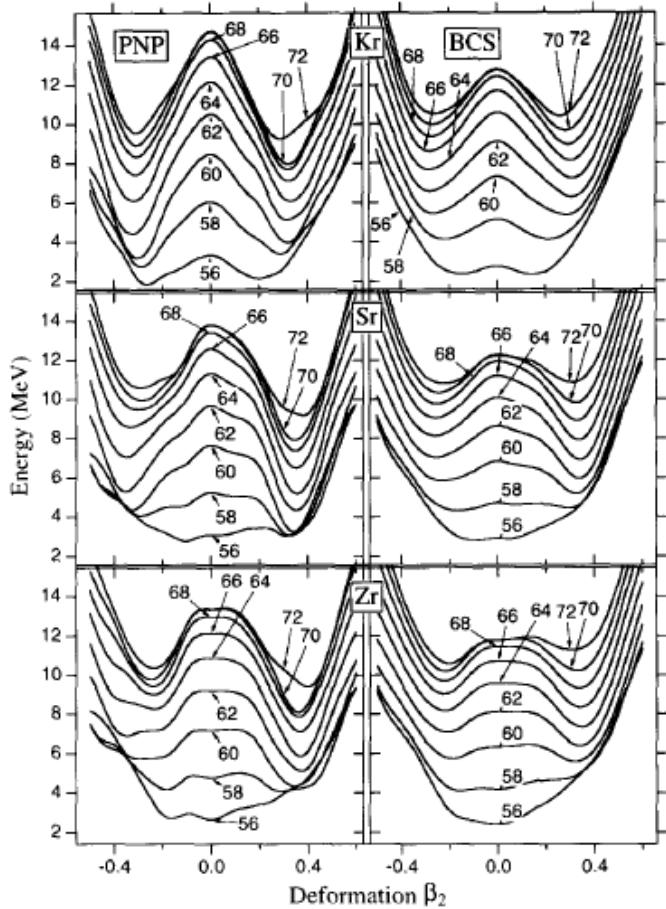
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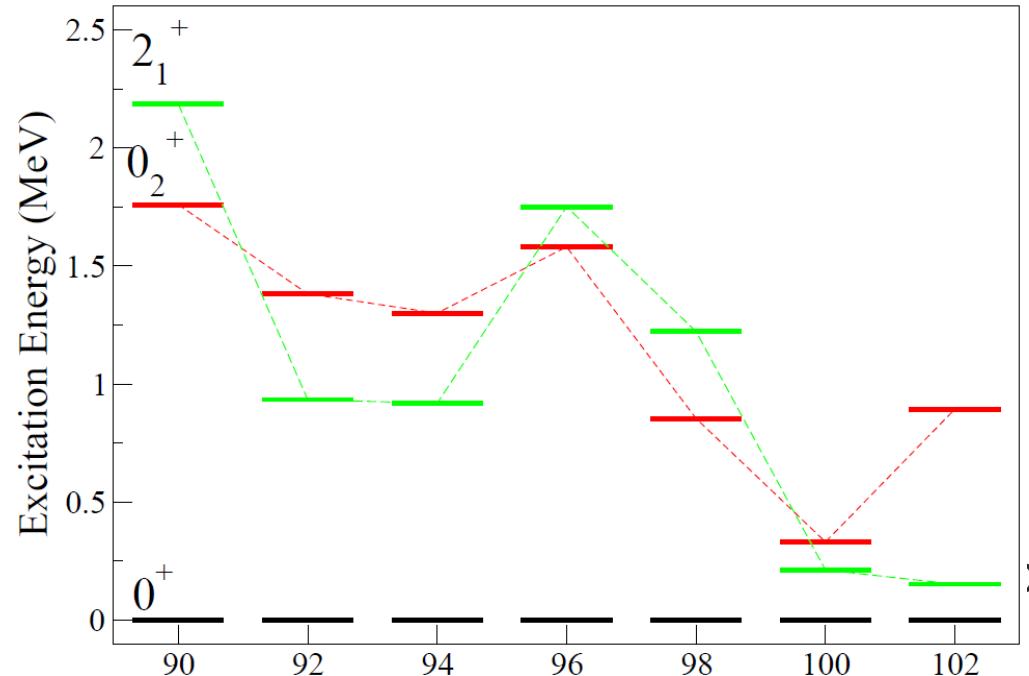
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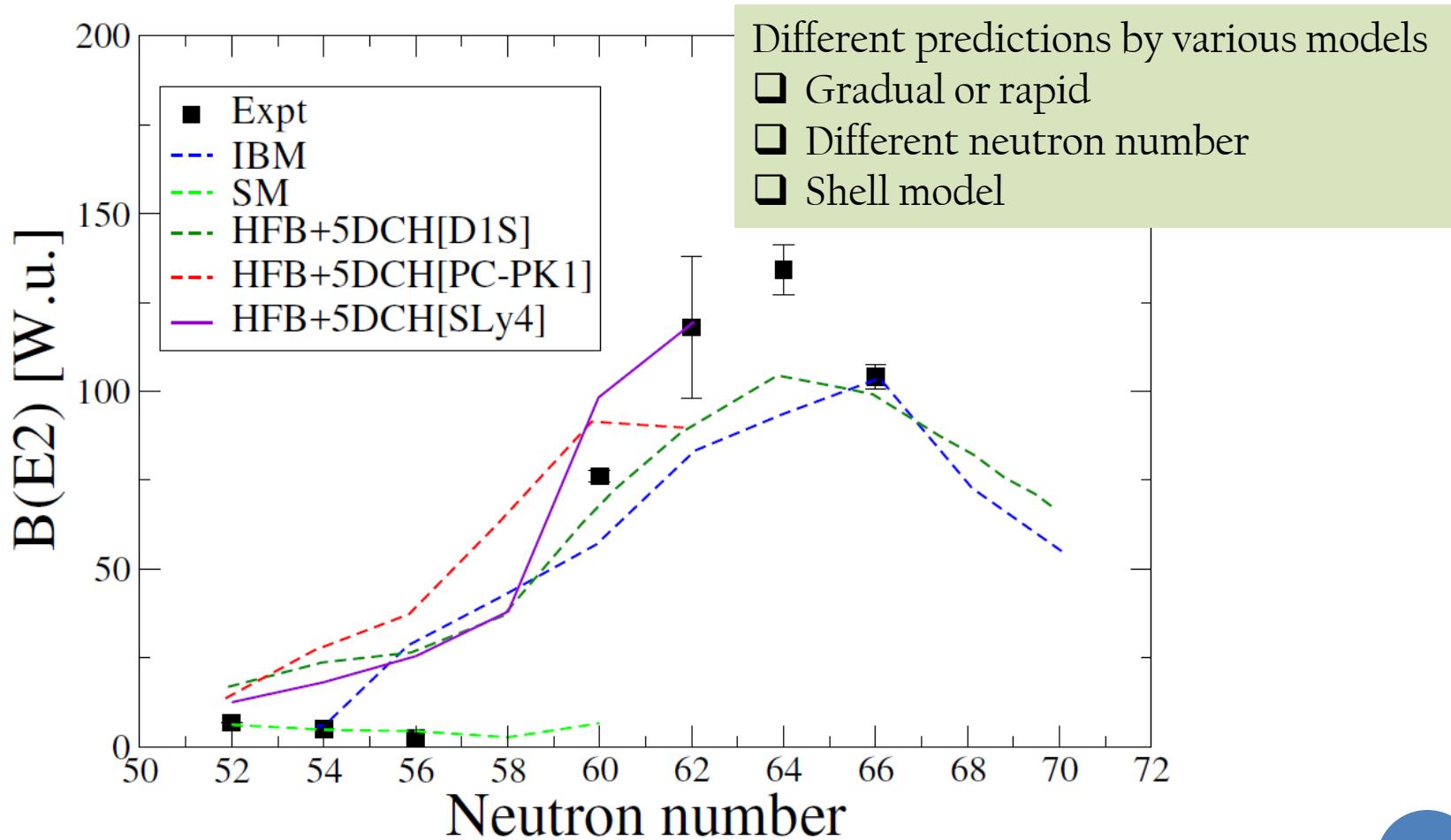
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Systematics of excitation energy in Zr isotopes (NNDC database)

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# How do we interpret this?



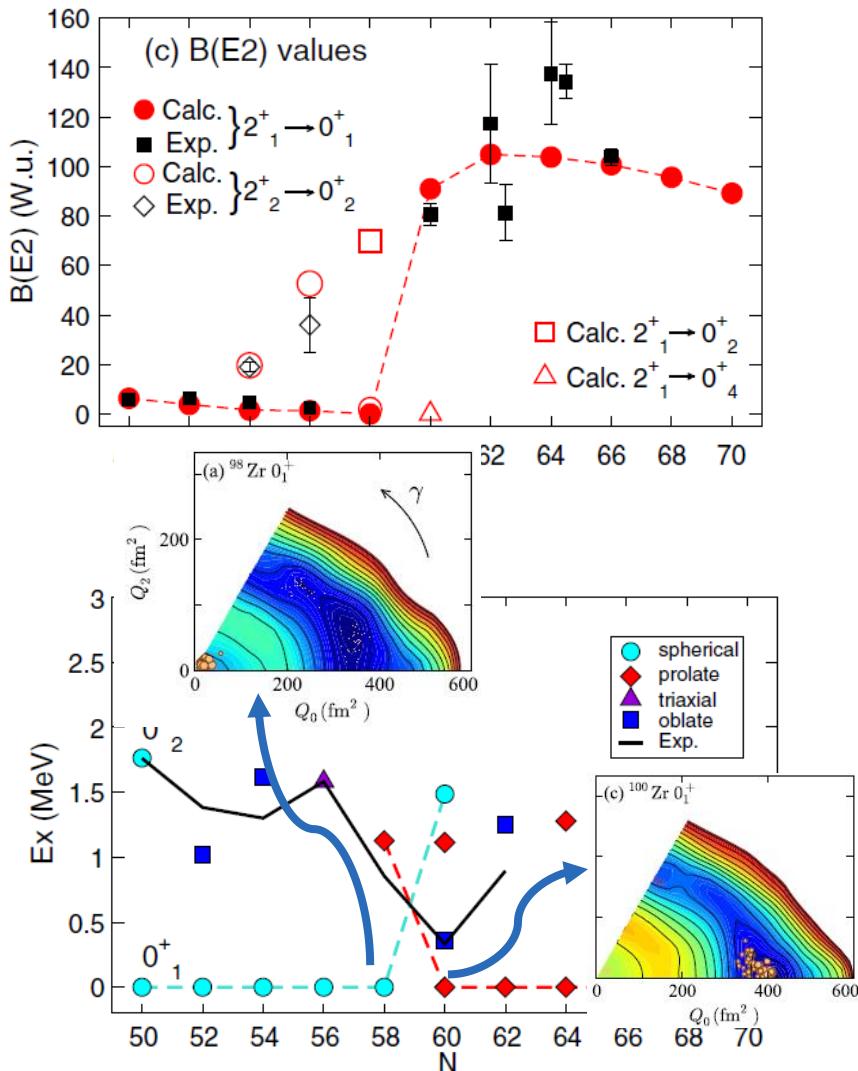
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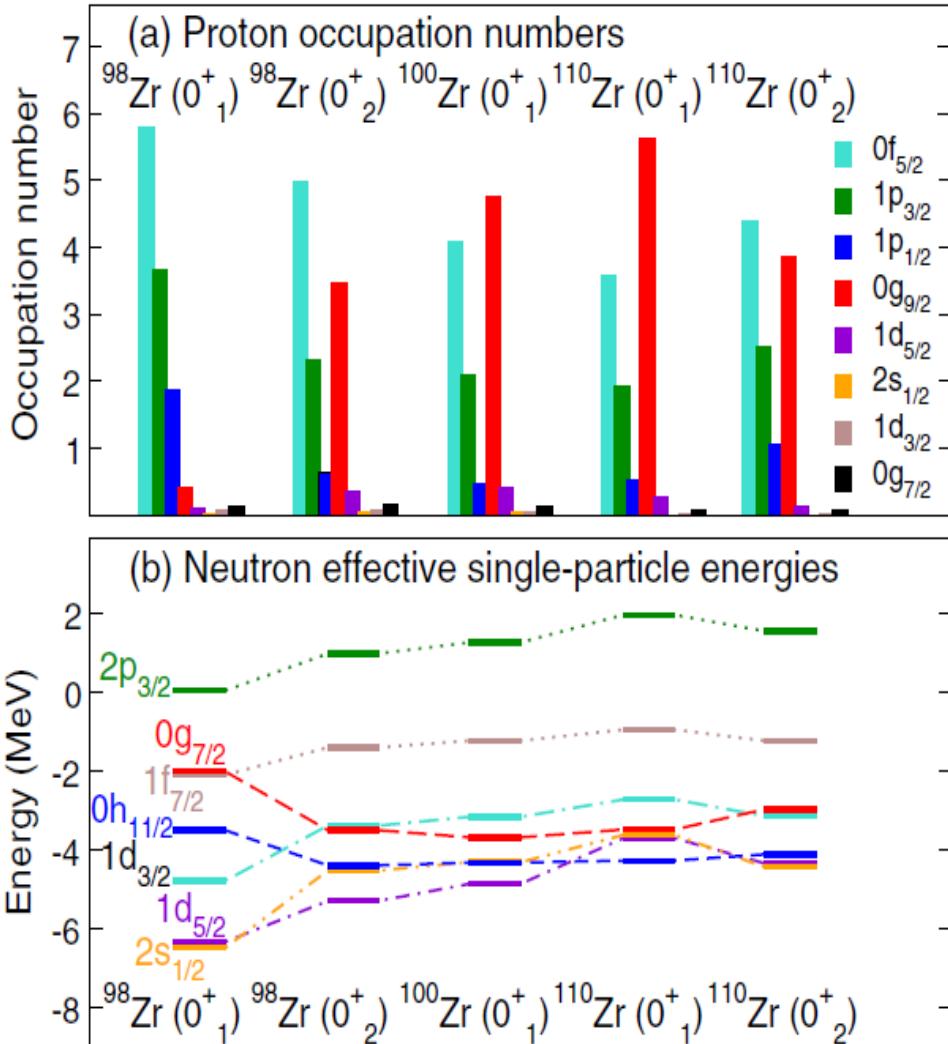
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ENSDF/NNDC database

# Where do we stand ?



MCSM calculations by Togashi et al.  
□ Low-lying  $0^+$  states  
□ Crossing of the two  $0^+$  states

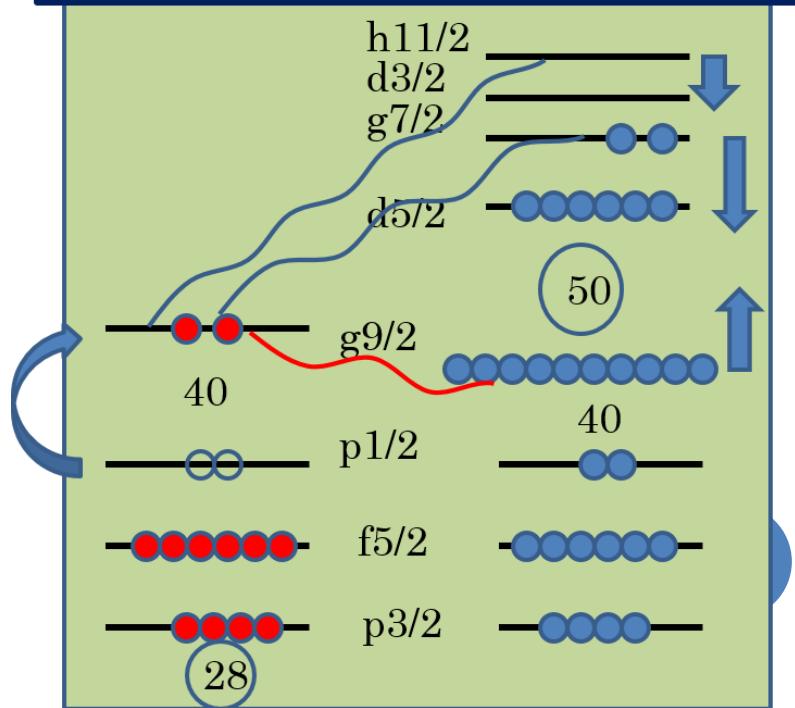
# Shape-coexistence and type-II shell evolution in Zr



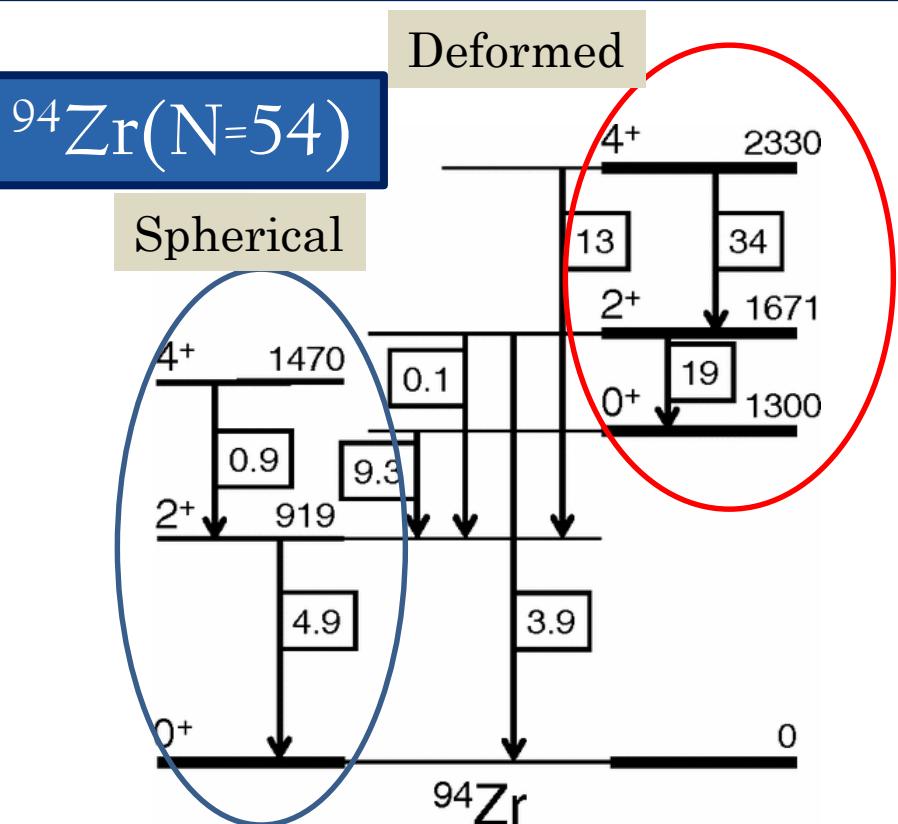
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- Shape coexistence
- Type II shell evolution
- Deformation of states-test the interpretation

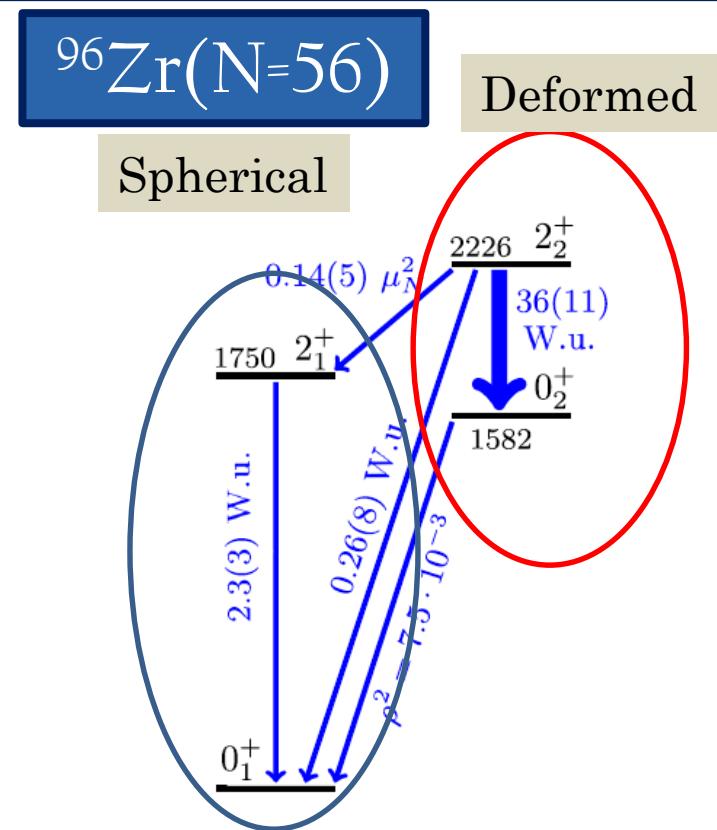
The  $Z\sim 40$ ,  $N\sim 60$  region



# Shape-coexistence in Zr isotopes:<sup>94,96</sup>Zr



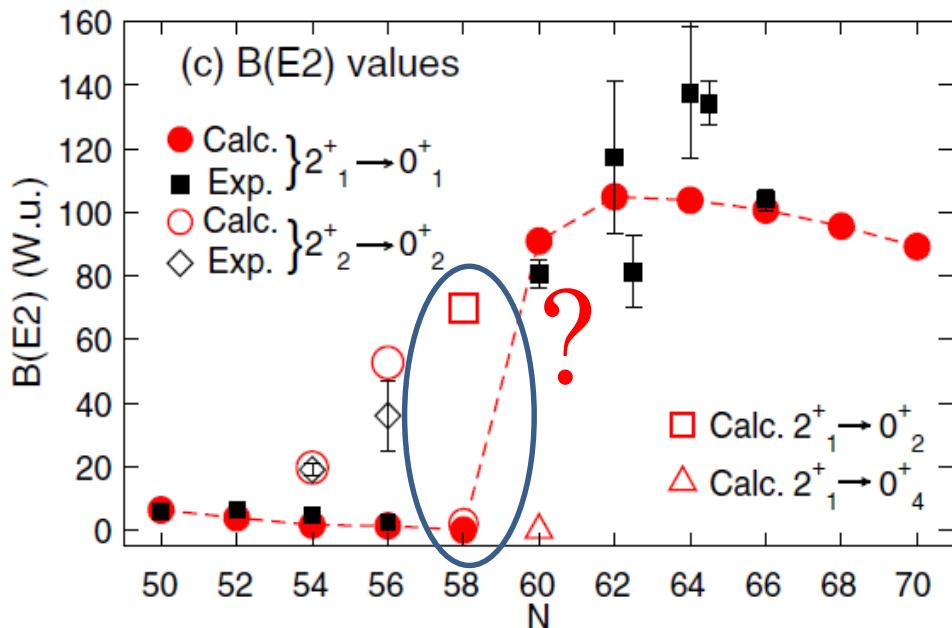
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Coexisting spherical and well deformed structure

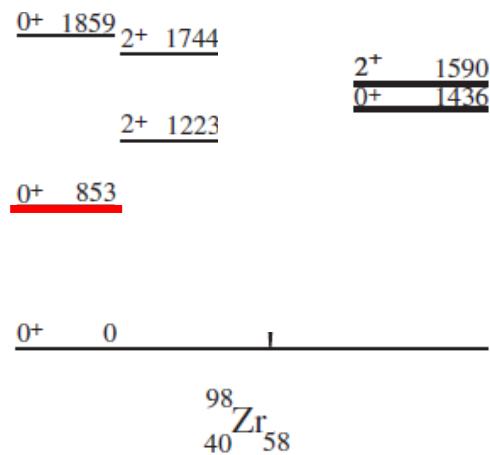
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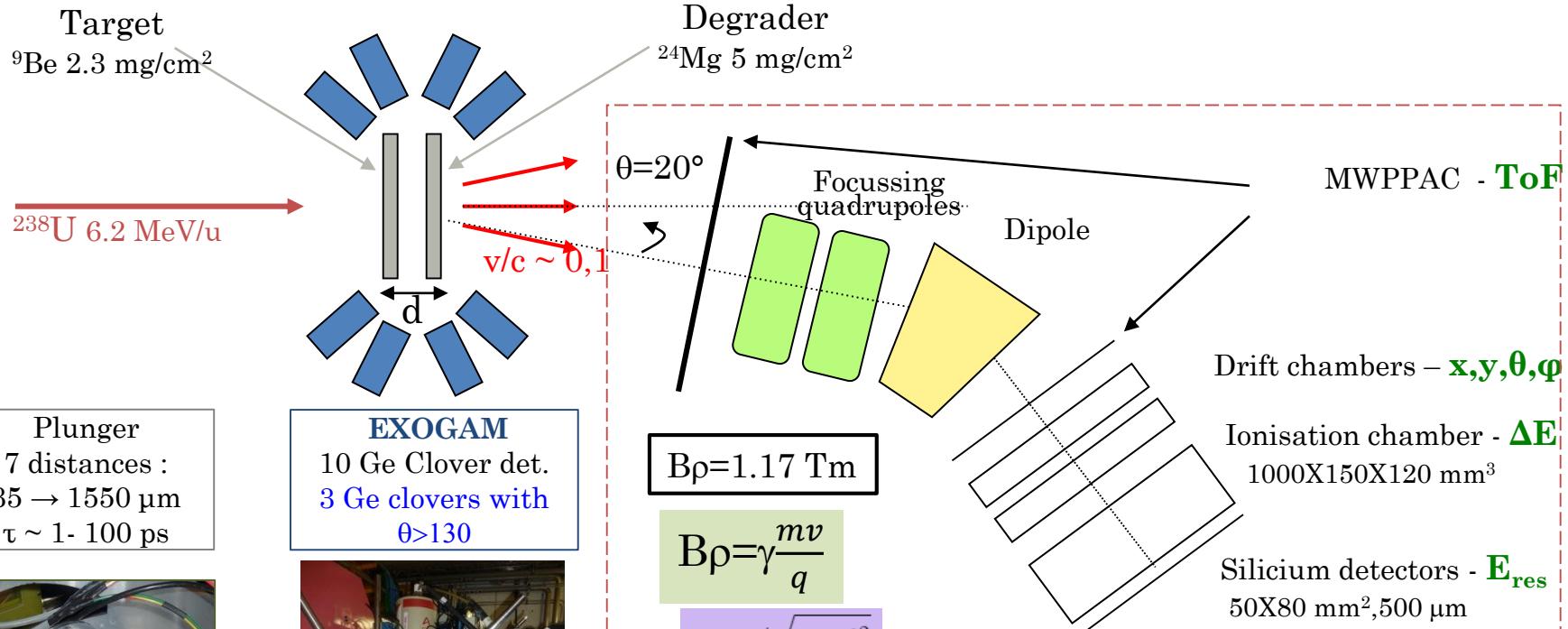
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 W. Witt et al., Phys. Rev. C 98, 041302(2018)

- Suggestions for Shape-coexistence in <sup>98</sup>Zr
- Observation of low-lying  $0^+$  states
- Absence of precise  $B(E2)$  values/deformation



# In-flight studies of fission fragments at GANIL

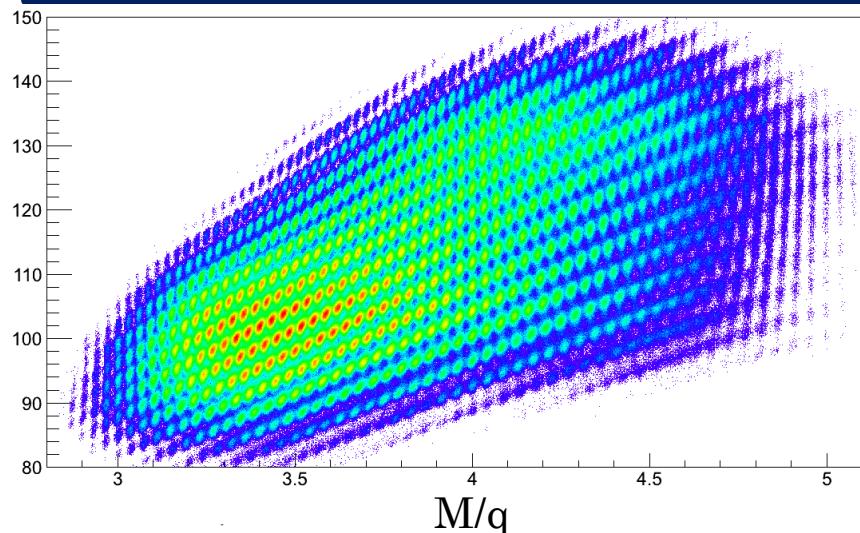
- Fission reaction  $^{238}\text{U} + ^9\text{Be}$  in inverse kinematics ( $E^* \approx 45 \text{ MeV}$ )
- VAMOS to identify fission fragments in  $(Z, A)$
- Spectroscopy with EXOGAM & RDDS lifetimes from plunger set-up



**VAMOS spectrometer**

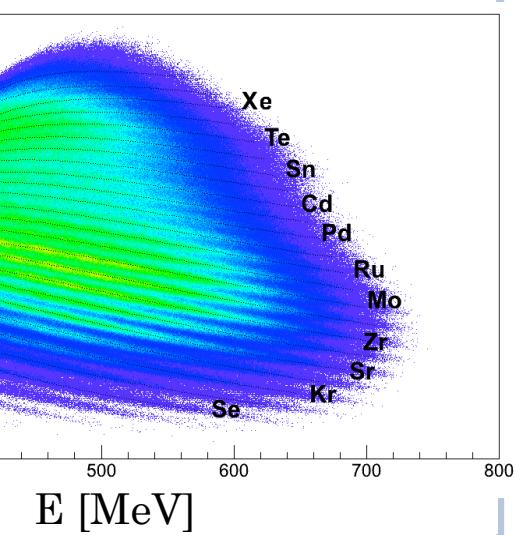
Fission fragment identification  
in  $q$ ,  $M$  and  $Z$

# Fission fragment identification with VAMOS

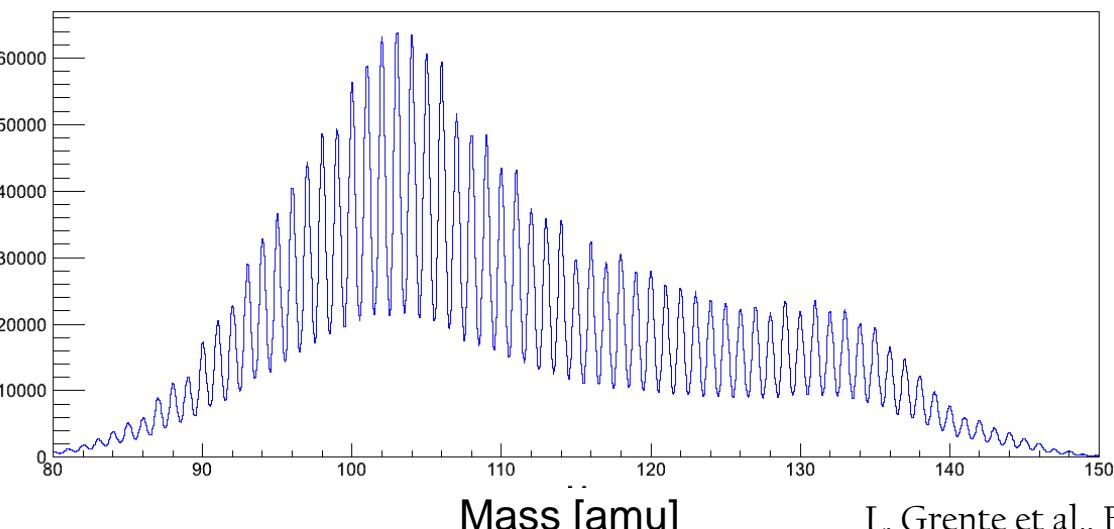


$$\frac{M}{Q} = \frac{B_\rho}{3.105 \times \gamma \times \beta}$$

$$M_0 = \frac{E}{931.5016 \times (\gamma - 1)}$$



$$\Delta E \sim M Z^2 / E$$



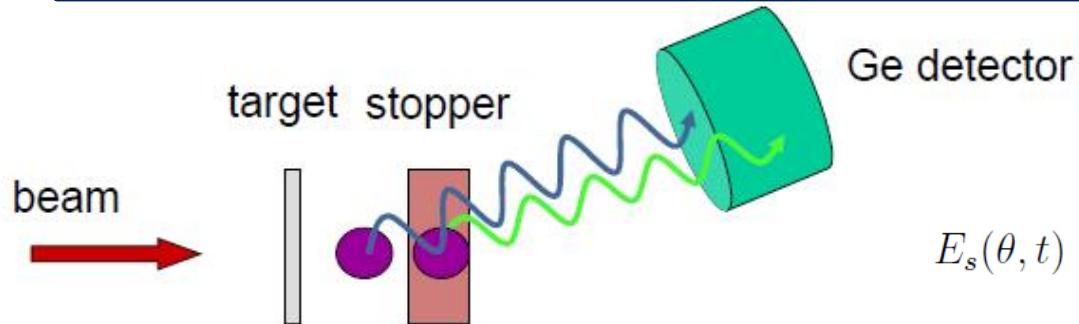
Z and A resolution

$$\frac{\Delta Z}{Z} = \frac{1}{60}$$

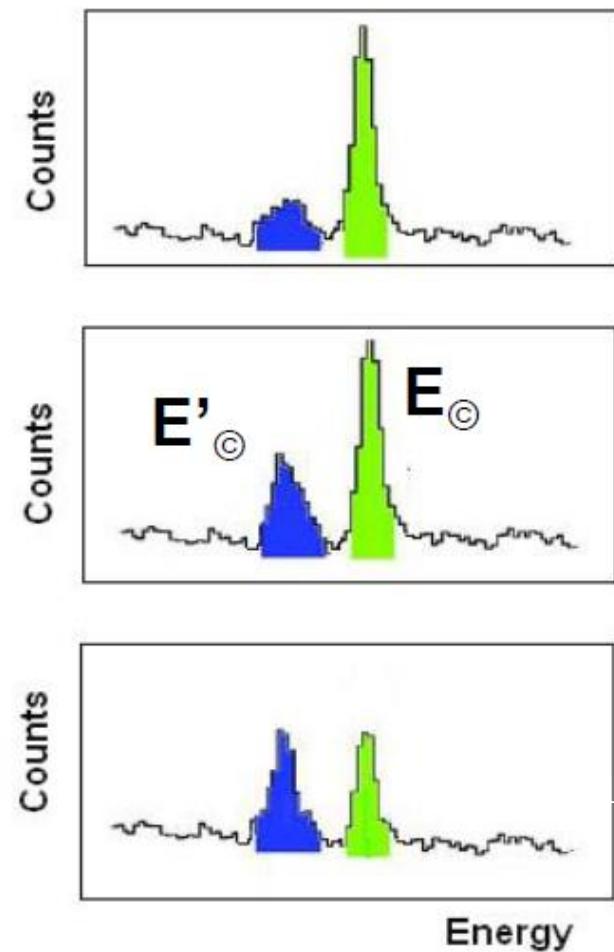
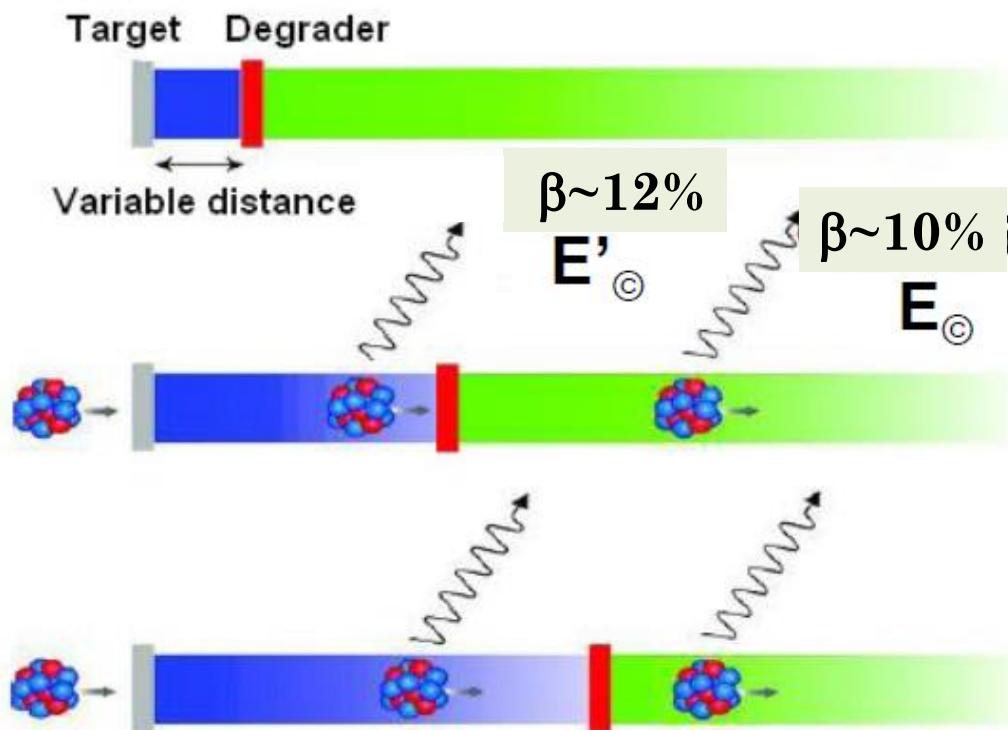
$$\frac{\Delta M}{M} = \frac{1}{200}$$



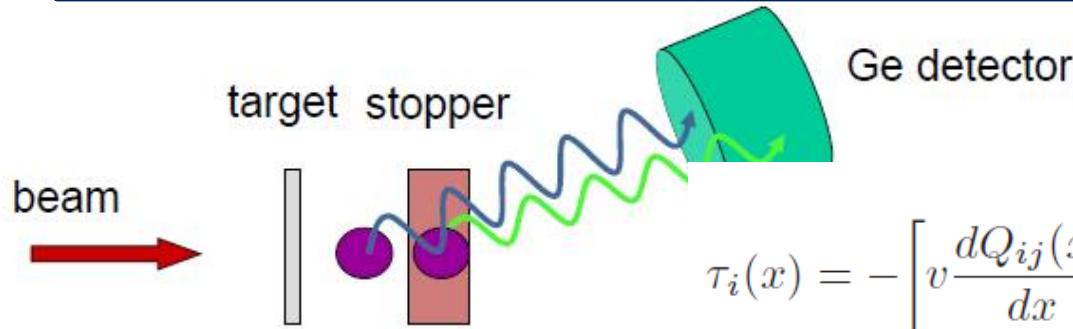
# The Recoil-Distance Doppler-Shift technique



$$E_s(\theta, t) = E_o \frac{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v}{c}}}{1 - \frac{v}{c} \cos\theta} \approx E_o \left(1 + \frac{v}{c} \cos\theta\right)$$

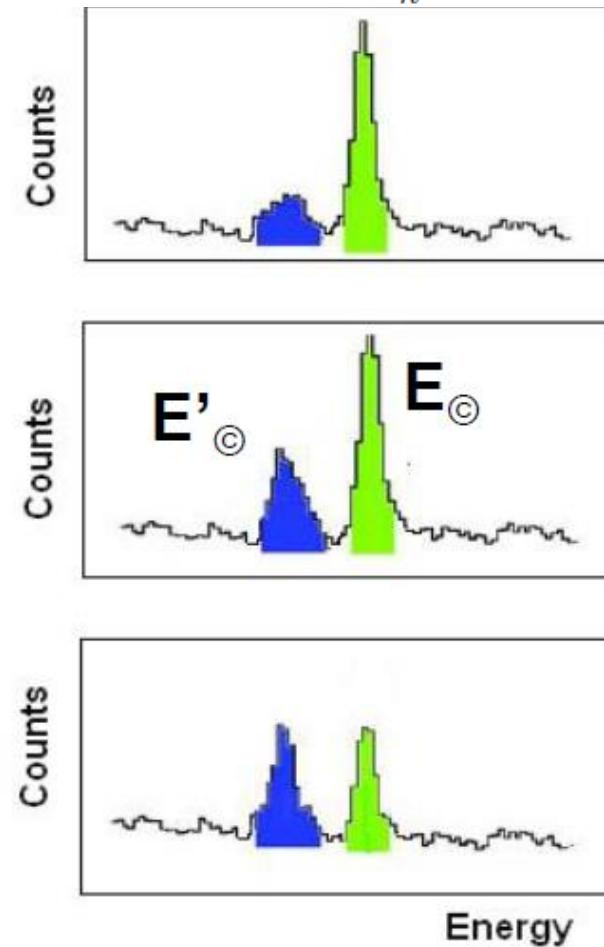
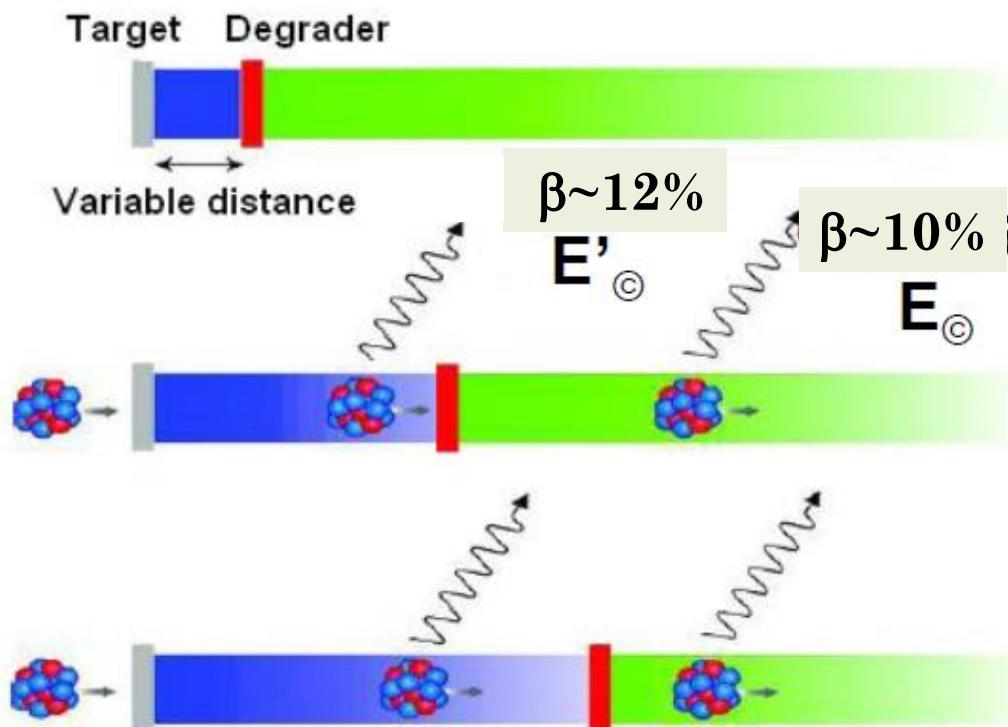


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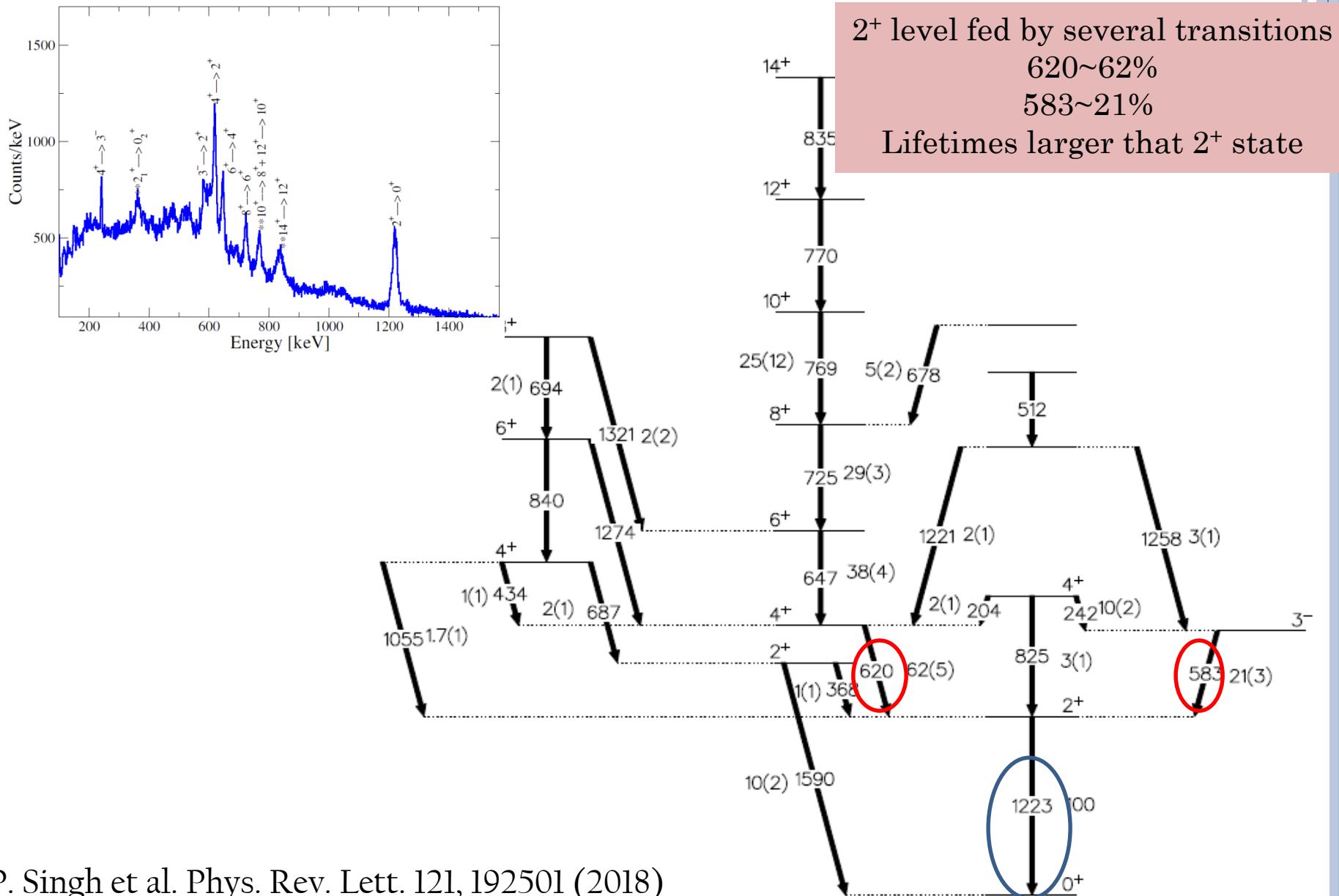


$$Q_{ij}(x) = \frac{I_{ij}^u(x)}{I_{ij}^u(x) + I_{ij}^s(x)}$$

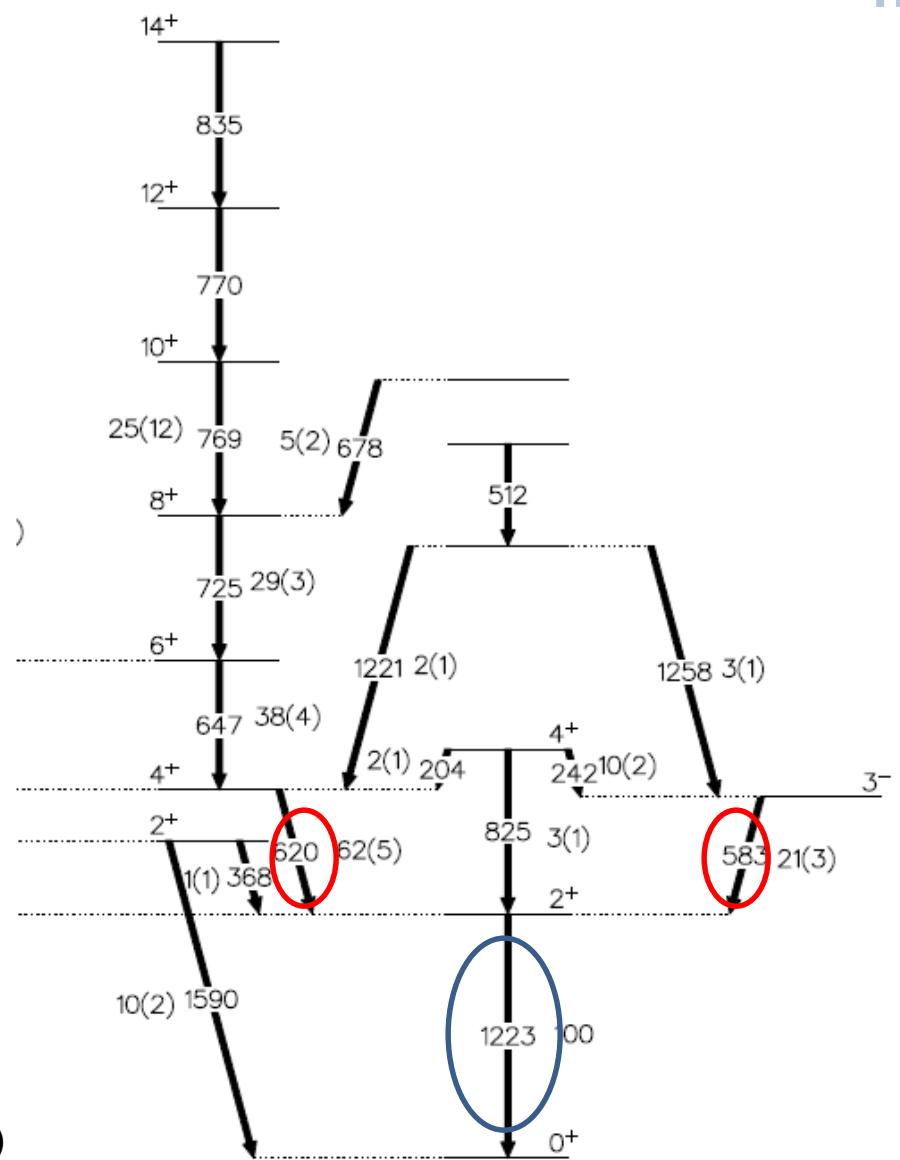
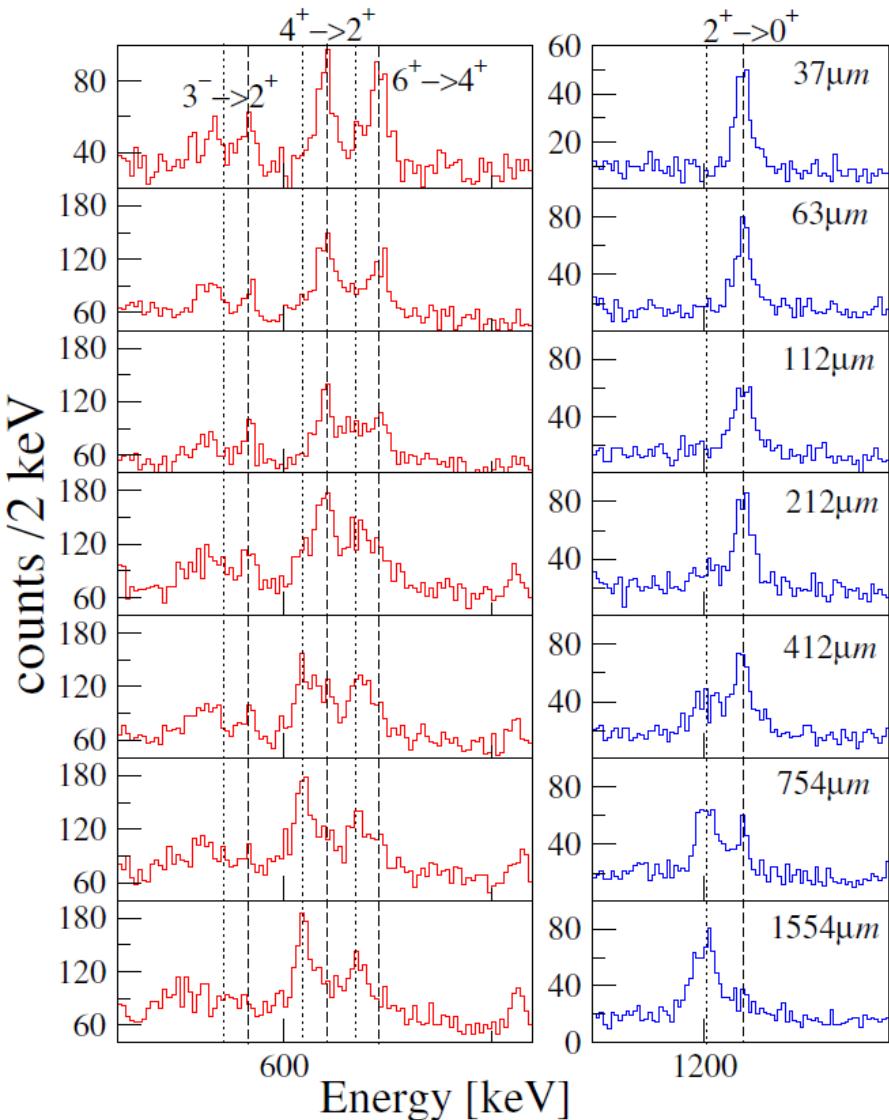
$$\tau_i(x) = -\left[v \frac{dQ_{ij}(x)}{dx}\right]^{-1} \left[Q_{ij}(x) - b_{ij} \sum_h \alpha_{hi} Q_{hi}(x)\right]$$



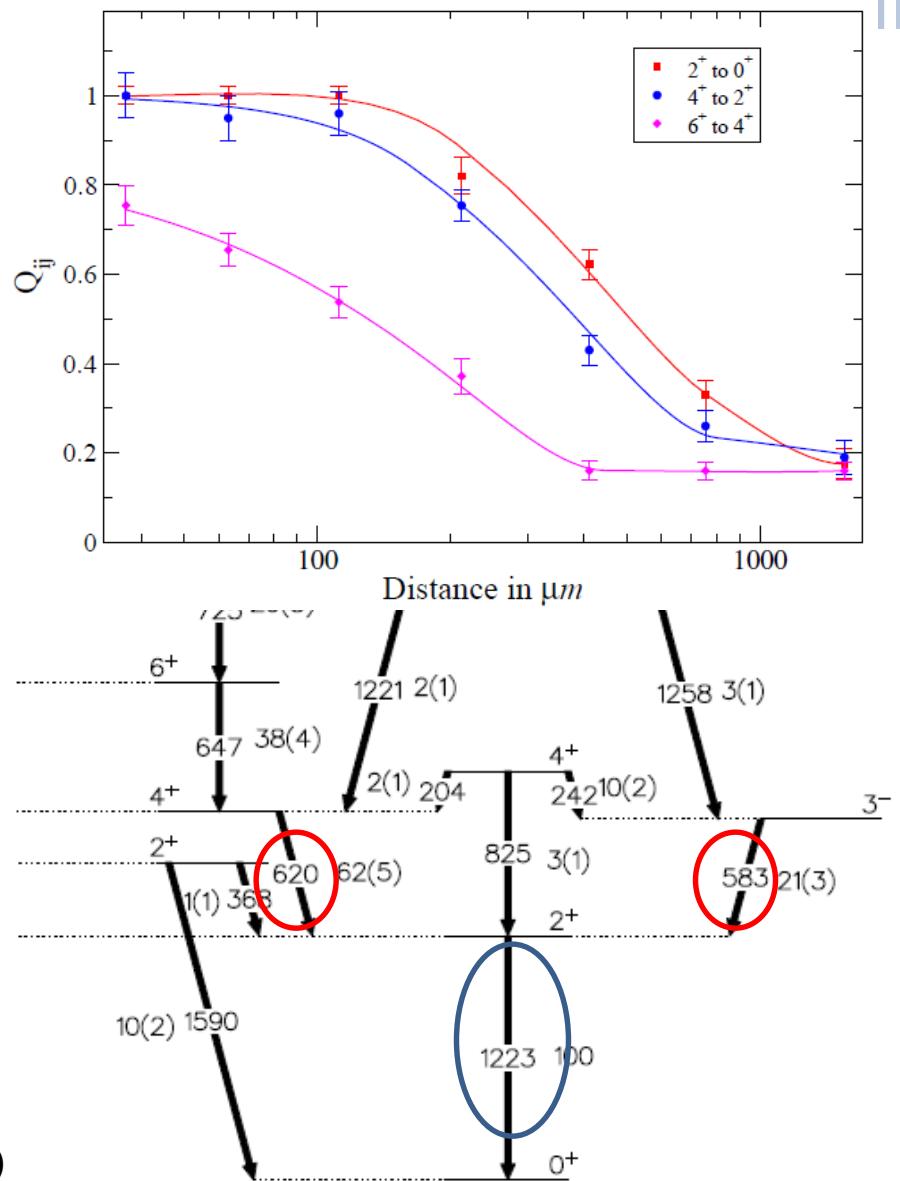
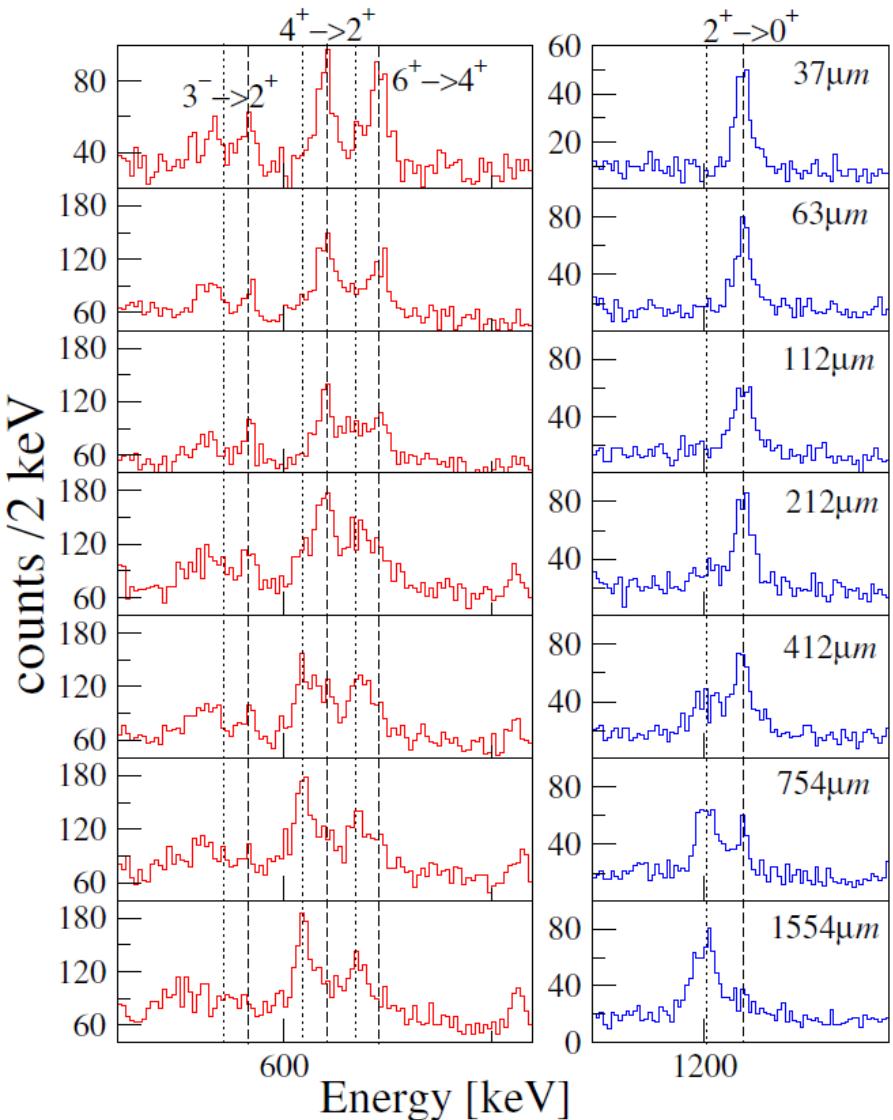
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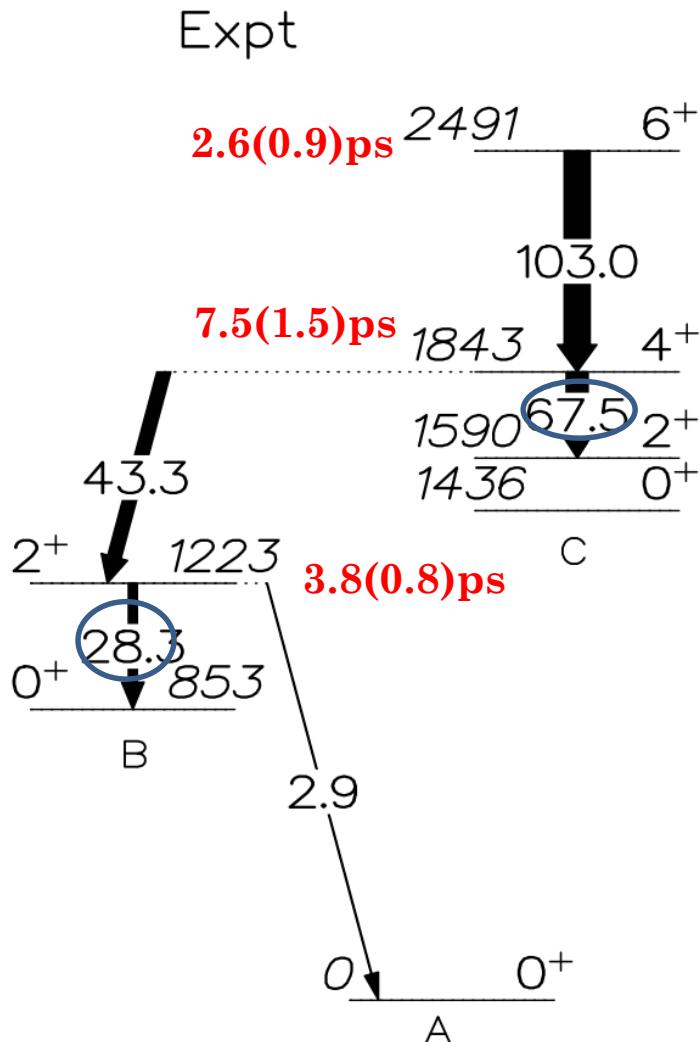
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Determination of  $B(E2)$  from RDDS lifetime measurements

$$B(E2 \ 2_1^+ \rightarrow 0_1^+) = 2.9(6)$$

$$B(E2 \ 4_1^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+) = 43.3(7.5)$$

$$B(E2 \ 6_1^+ \rightarrow 4_1^+) = 103.0(36)$$

Extraction of  $B(E2)$  using known branching ratios (Urban et al.)

$$B(E2 \ 2_1^+ \rightarrow 0_2^+) = 28.3(6.5) \ (\beta \sim 0.21)$$

$$B(E2 \ 4_1^+ \rightarrow 2_2^+) = 67.5(16.2)$$

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$$T_{fi}(\lambda L) = \frac{8\pi(L+1)}{\hbar L ((2L+1)!!)^2} \left(\frac{E_\gamma}{\hbar c}\right)^{2L+1} B(\lambda L : J_i \rightarrow J_f)$$

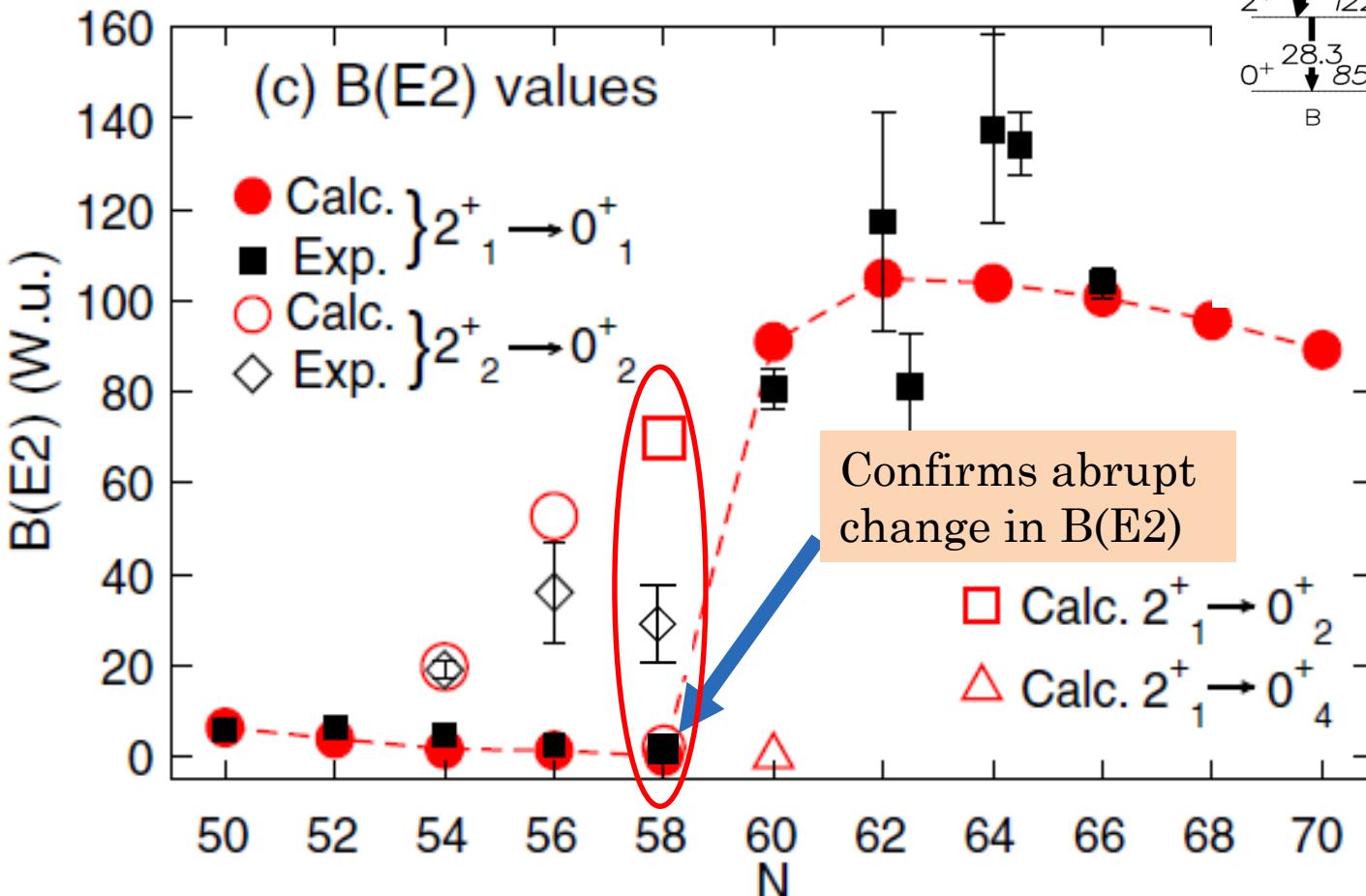
$$T(E2) = 1.223 \times 10^9 E_\gamma^5 B(E2)$$

$$e^2 \cdot b^2 = (5.94 \times 10^{-6}) A^{4/3} \text{ w.u.}$$

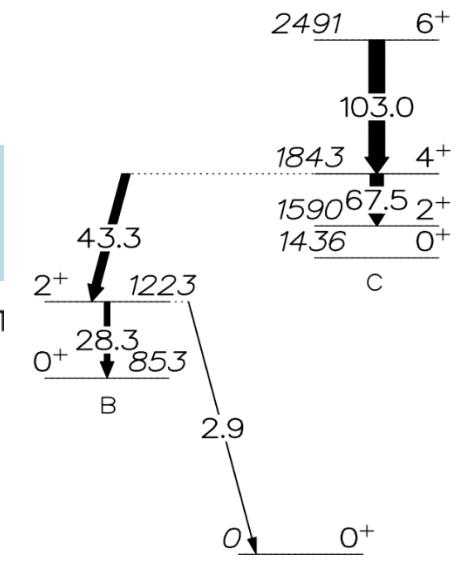
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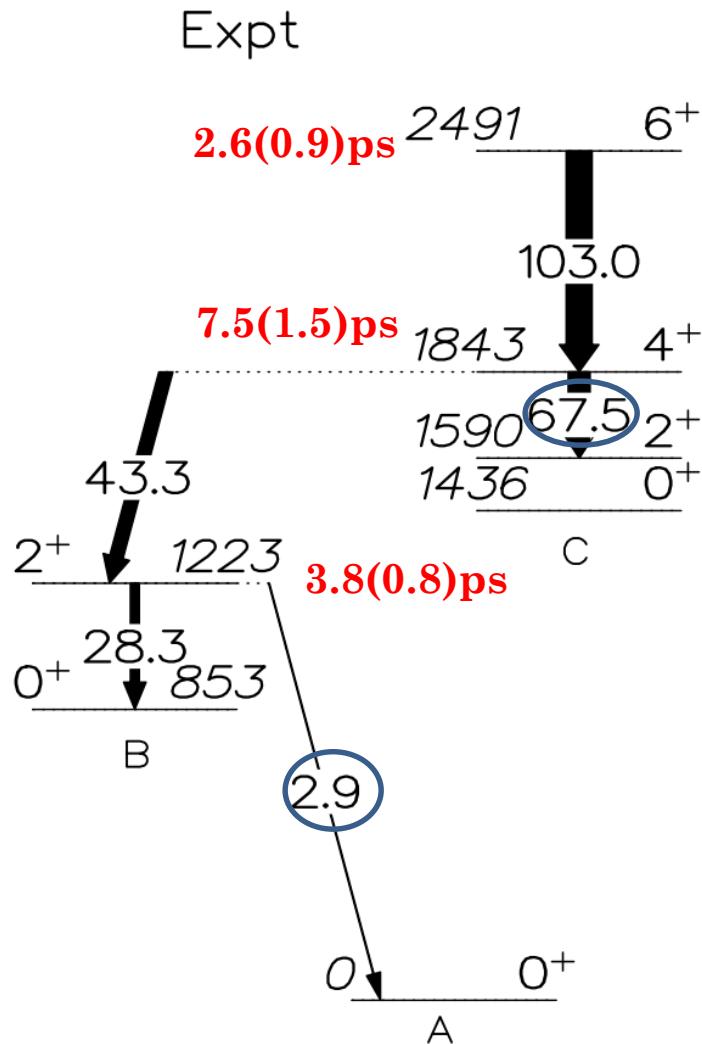
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# Results



Coexistence of three structures at low spin

$0_1^+$

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$0_2^+$

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$0_3^+$

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Large mixing

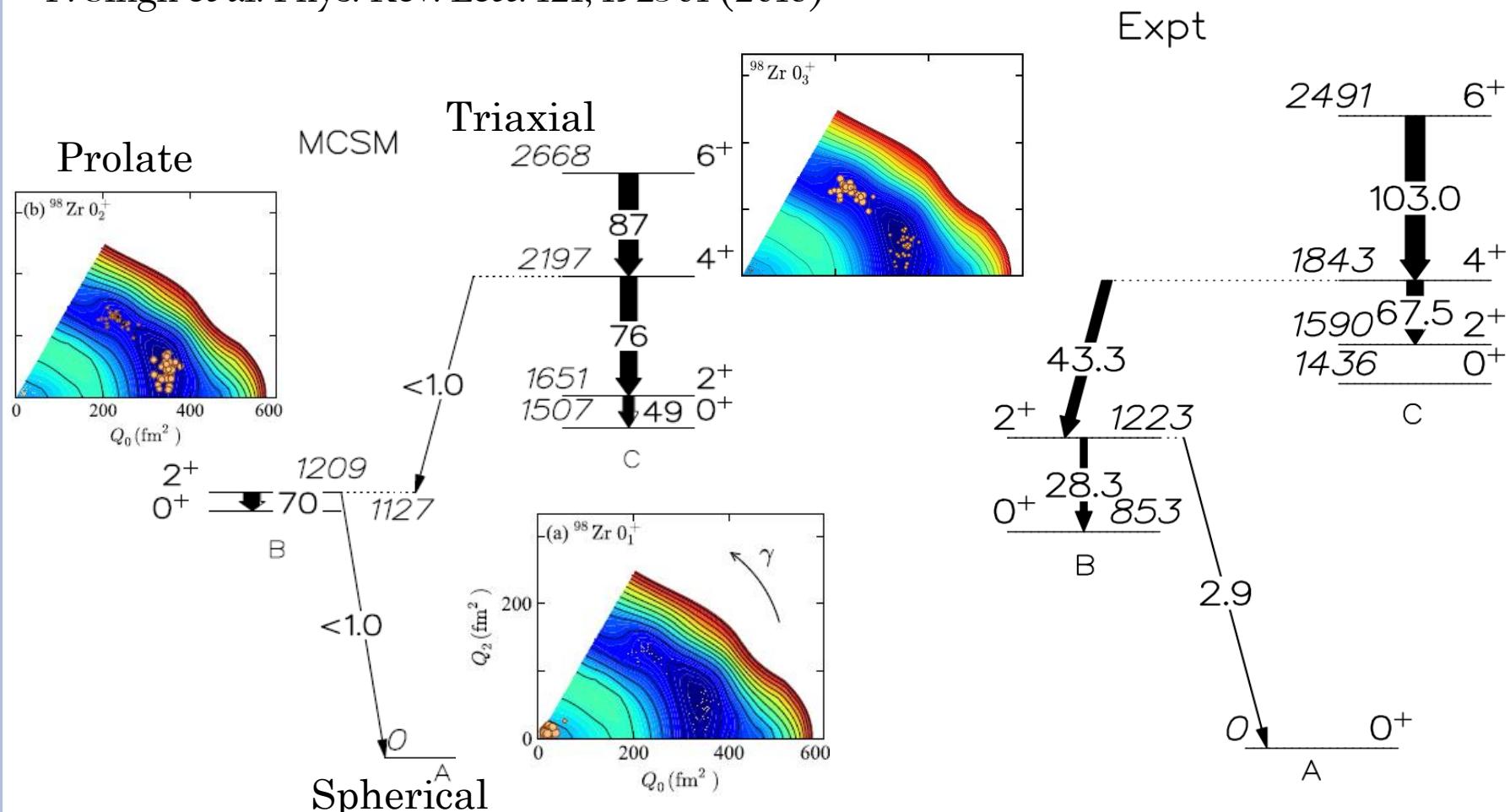
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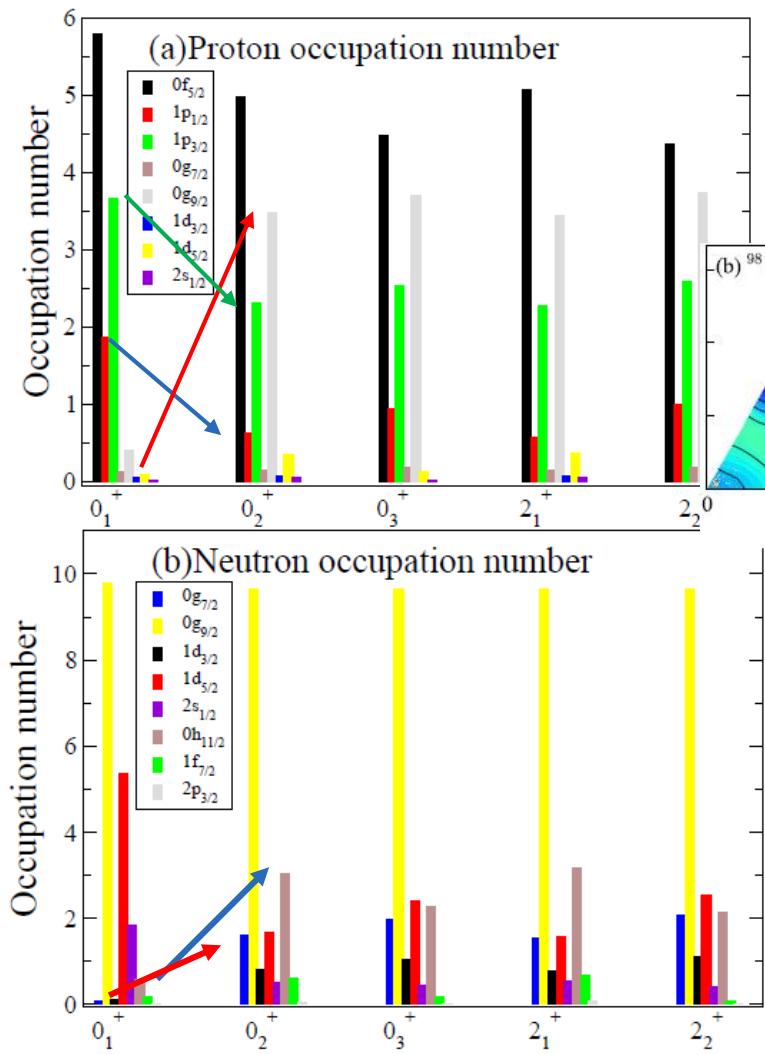
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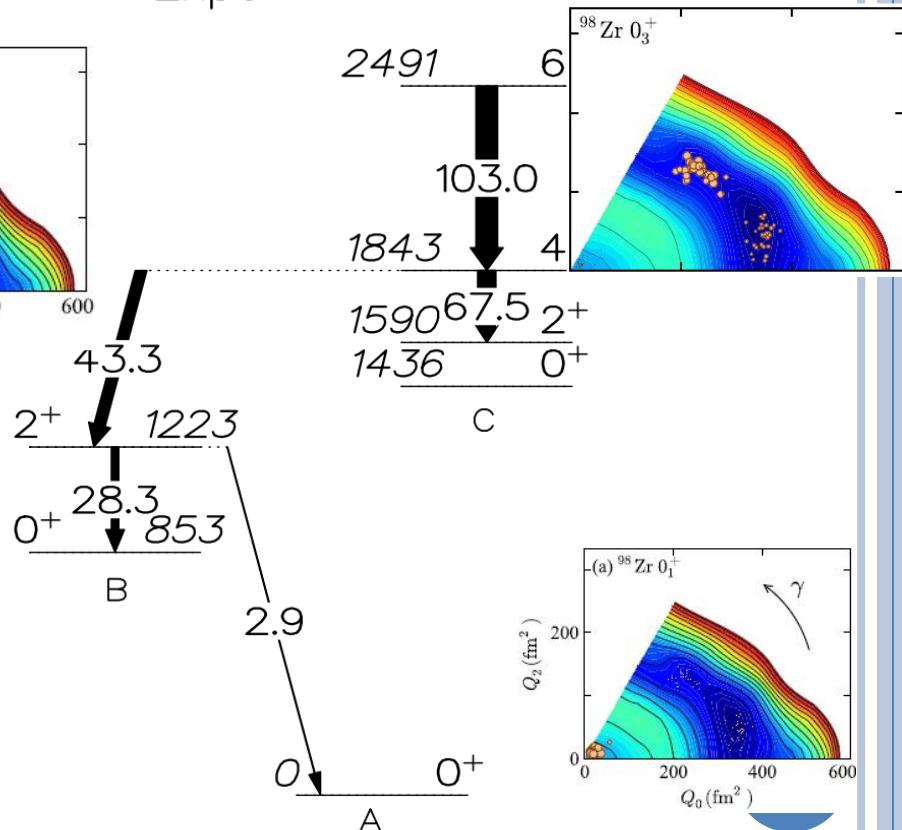


# Results



3 proton excitations from pf orbitals to  $g_{9/2}$   
 5 neutron excitations from  $d_{5/2}, s_{1/2}$  to  $g_{7/2}, d_{3/2}$  and  $h_{11/2}$

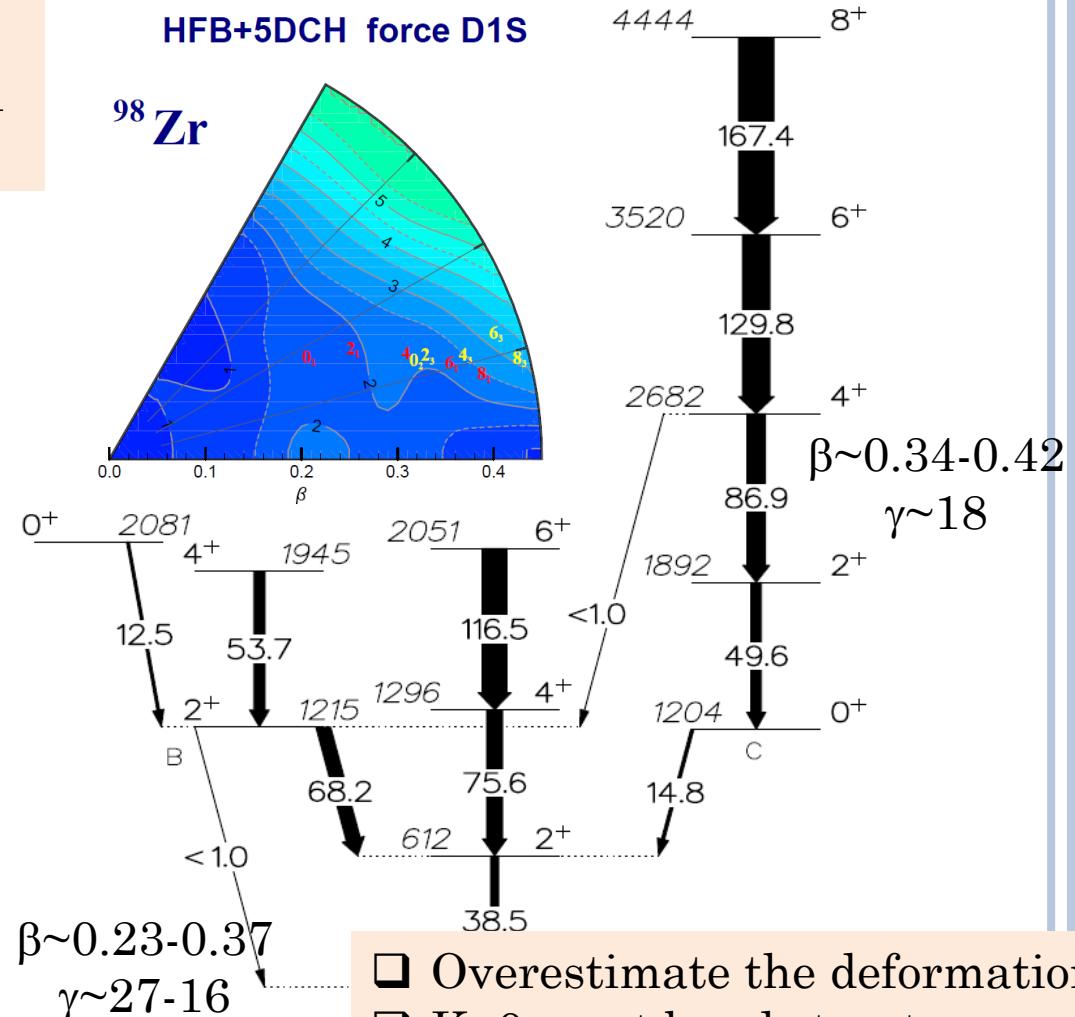
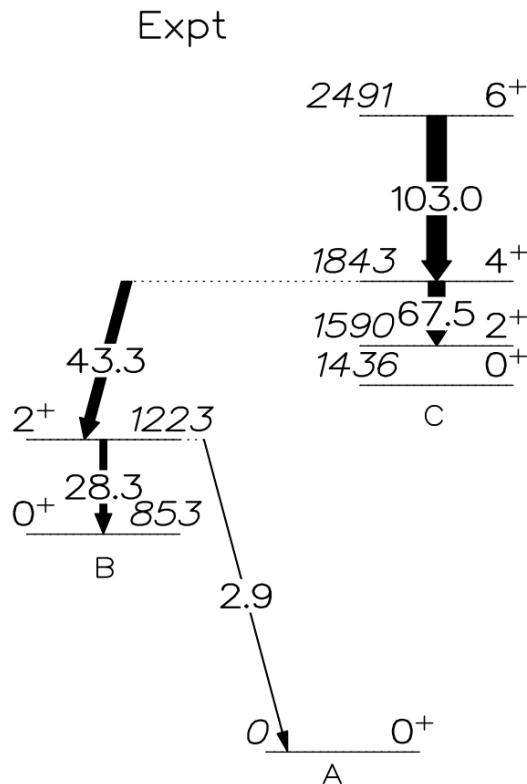
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# Beyond mean field calculations

$0_3^+$  calculated too high in energy; No spherical ground state



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- Overestimate the deformation
- K=0 yrast band structure
- Well deformed prolate structure

# Summary

- Lifetime measurement in  $^{98}\text{Zr}$  using RDDS method on isotopically identified fission fragments.
- $B(E2 \ 2_1^+ \rightarrow 0_1^+) = 2.9 \text{ W.u}$ ; confirms the sudden onset of collectivity at  $N=60$
- Effect well described by the Monte-Carlo Shell-Model calculations
- Limited success of beyond mean field calculations in explaining the behaviour
- Established two deformed structures coexisting with spherical G.S
- Comparison with state-of-art MCSM calculations indicate spherical-prolate-triaxial shape coexistence



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