

# Single-particle and collective excitations in transitional nuclei

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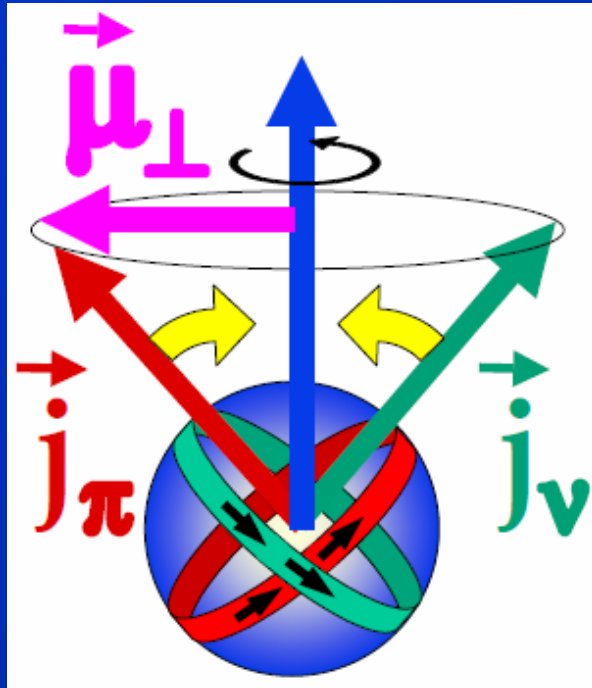
## Plan of the talk :

- Physics interest in transitional nuclei
- Role of intruder orbital and triaxiality
- Experiments with INGA  
High spin band structure in Ce and Tl nuclei
- Development of collectivity towards neutron rich nuclei

# Shapes and excitation in transitional nuclei

- Interplay of single particle and collective excitation
- Band structures based on multi-quasiparticle excitation
- Role of
  - intruder shape driving orbitals
  - triaxial degrees of freedom
- New modes of excitation
  - Magnetic rotation
  - Chiral bands

# Rotation in weakly deformed system : MR band



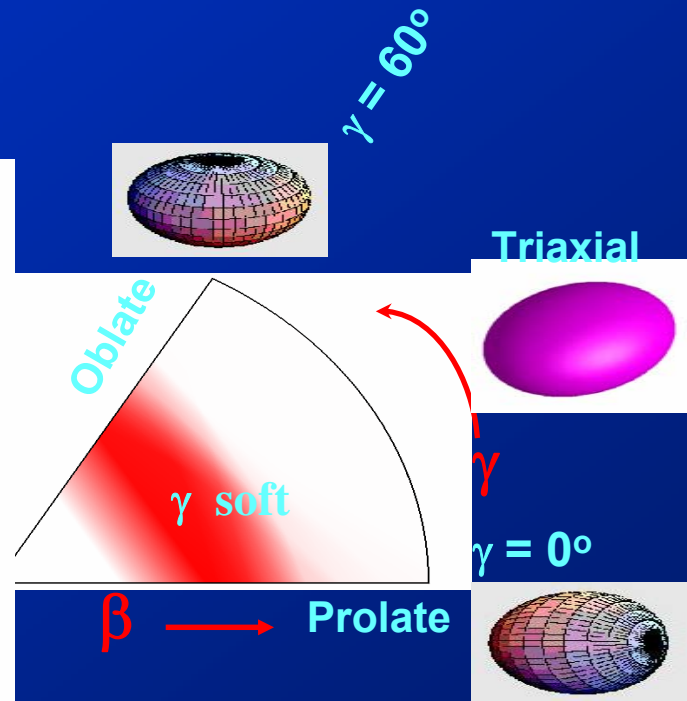
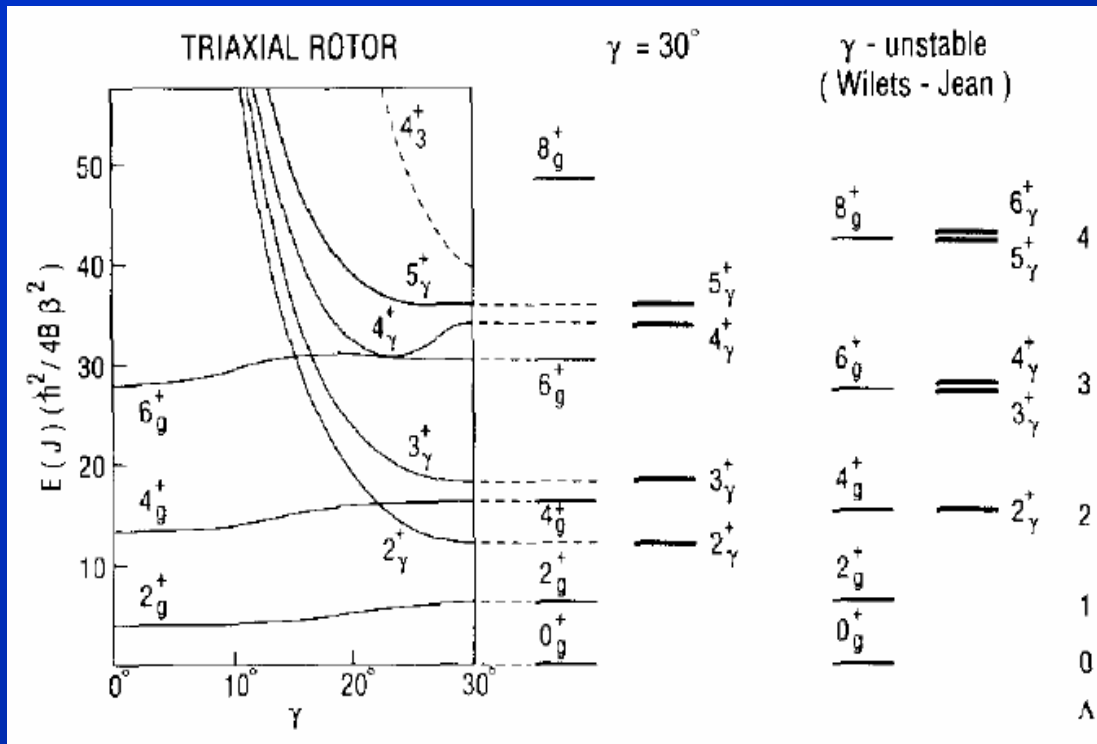
Novel way of generating angular momentum in a weakly deformed system with low quadrupole collectivity.

## Tilted Axis Cranking (TAC)

S. Frauendorf  
NPA677, 115 (2000).

Very regular band structure ( $\Delta I = 1$ )  
with a few valance particles (holes)  
in high  $j$  orbital

# Non-axial deformation $\rightarrow$ $\gamma$ -soft or rigid triaxial ?



N.V. Zamfir and R.F. Casten  
PLB 260, 265 (1991)

# Non-axial deformation → triaxiality

## Experimental manifestation

### ■ Signature inversion

explained as a manifestation of the drift of the rotation axis in the intrinsic frame when a triaxial nucleus rotates.

- degree of triaxiality in a deformed basis

phase of the staggering of  $S(I) = E(I) - E(I-1)$  reverses

can as well be consistent with an axially symmetric shape

R. Bengtsson et al.,  
Winter meeting on  
Nucl. Phys. Bromino  
(1982)

I. Hamamoto,  
PLB235, 221 (1990)

### ■ Wobbling excitation

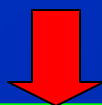
TSD bands in  $^{163,165}\text{Lu}$

### ■ Chiral bands

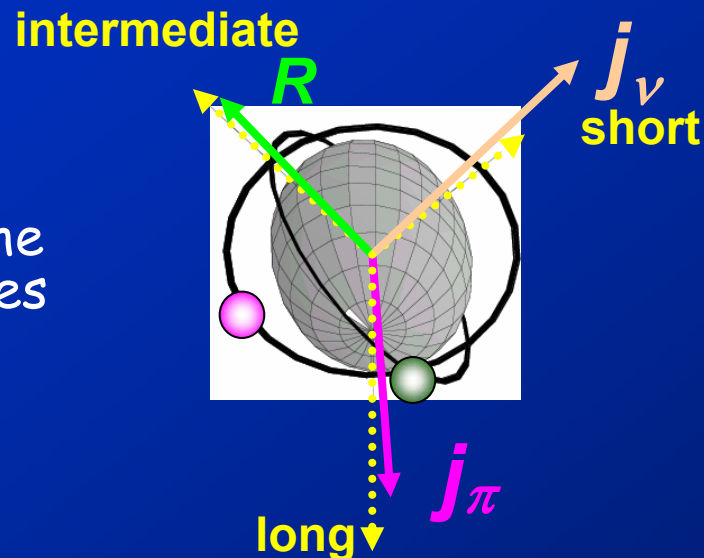
based on the specific geometry of three components of the total angular momentum

# Nuclear chirality

A **Triaxial** Nucleus becomes **Chiral** if it rotates about an axis that lies outside the three planes spanned by the principal axes of it's triaxial ellipsoidal shape.



- > **Two identical bands**  
almost same Energy and Parity
- > **De-excitation of the partner bands**  
in a very similar way



S. Frauendorf, J. Meng,  
NPA 617, 131 (1997)  
S. Frauendorf,  
Rev. Mod. Phys 73, 463 (2001)

A~130

Odd-Odd ( $ph_{11/2}nh_{11/2}^{-1}$ )  
 $^{134}\text{Pr}$ ,  $^{136}\text{Pm}$ ,  $^{130}\text{Cs}$ ,  $^{128}\text{Cs}$

Odd-A ( $p(h_{11/2})^2nh_{11/2}^{-1}$ )  
 $^{135}\text{Nd}$

A~105

Odd-Odd ( $pg_{9/2}^{-1}nh_{11/2}$ )  
 $^{106}\text{Ag}$ ,  $^{106}\text{Rh}$ ,  $^{104}\text{Rh}$ ,  $^{102}\text{Rh}$

Odd-A ( $pg_{9/2}^{-1}n(h_{11/2})^2$ )  
 $^{107}\text{Ag}$ ,  $^{105}\text{Rh}$ ,  $^{103}\text{Rh}$

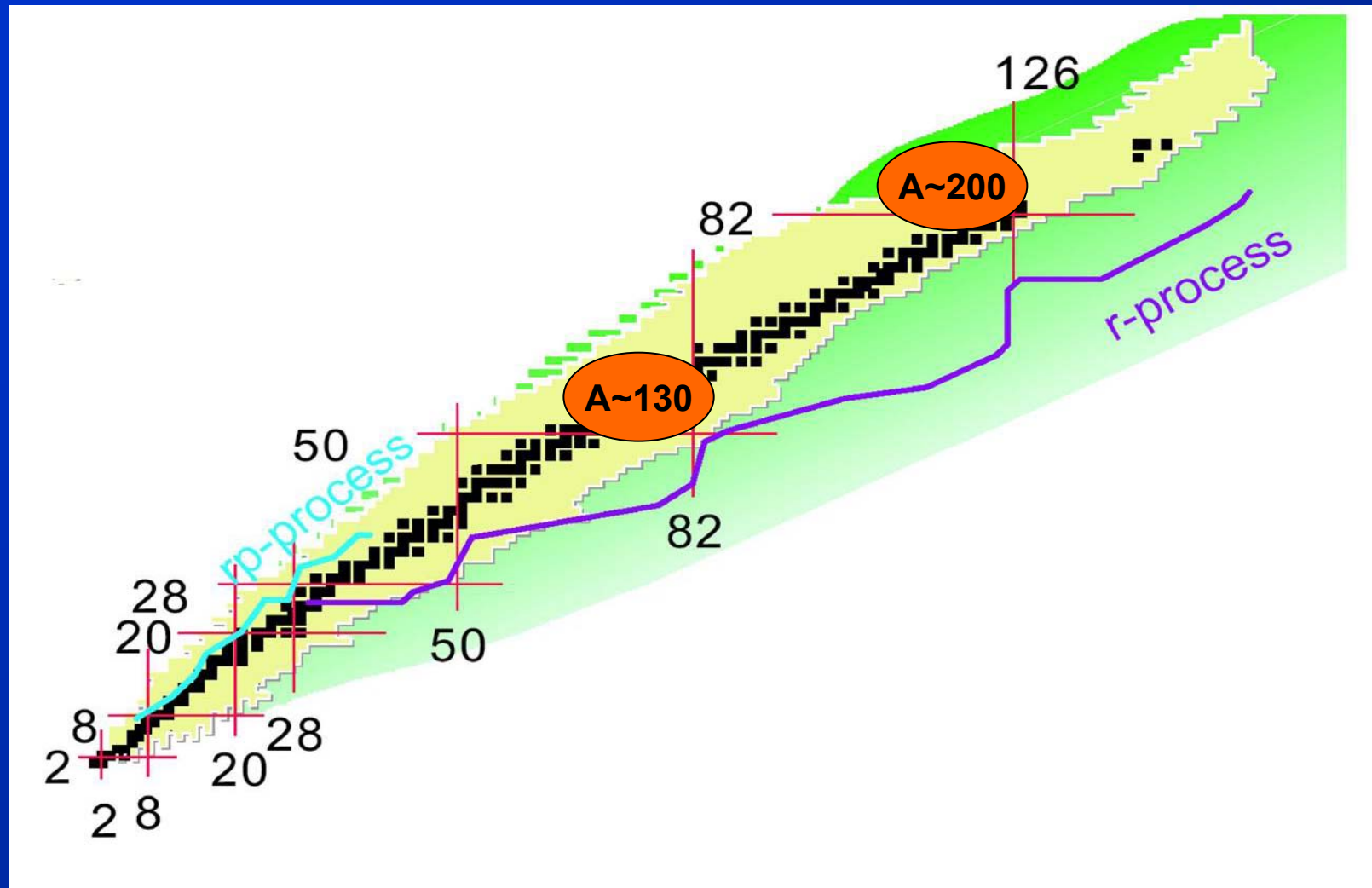
A~190

Odd-Odd ( $ph_{9/2}ni_{13/2}$ )  
 $^{188}\text{Ir}$  (?)

$^{198}\text{Tl}$

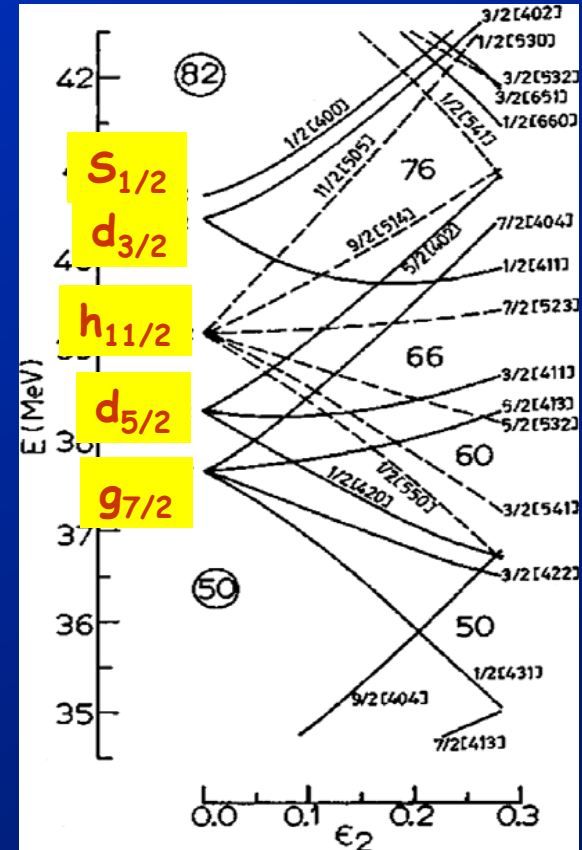
T. Koike, NPA 834, 36c (2010)

# Nuclei with few particles or holes around $Z/N = 82$



# Transitional nuclei in $A \sim 130$ region

- Multi-quasiparticle excitations with valence protons and neutrons
  - Shape driving effects,  $\gamma$  softness
- Presence of high-j  $h_{11/2}$  orbital for both protons and neutrons
- Prolate driving  $\pi h_{11/2}$  & Oblate driving  $\nu h_{11/2}$ 
  - Structure associated with  $\pi h_{11/2} \otimes \nu h_{11/2}$  configuration in odd-odd nuclei
- Magnetic rotation ( $^{199}\text{Pb}$ ,  $^{197}\text{Pb}$ ,  $^{134}\text{Ba}$ ,  $^{134}\text{Ce}$ ,  $^{136}\text{Ce}$ ,  $^{138}\text{Ce}$  .... )
- triaxial bands ( $^{139}\text{Nd}$ ,  $^{140}\text{Nd}$ )
- Chiral bands ( $^{134}\text{Pr}$ ,  $^{130}\text{Cs}$ ,  $^{135}\text{Nd}$ )

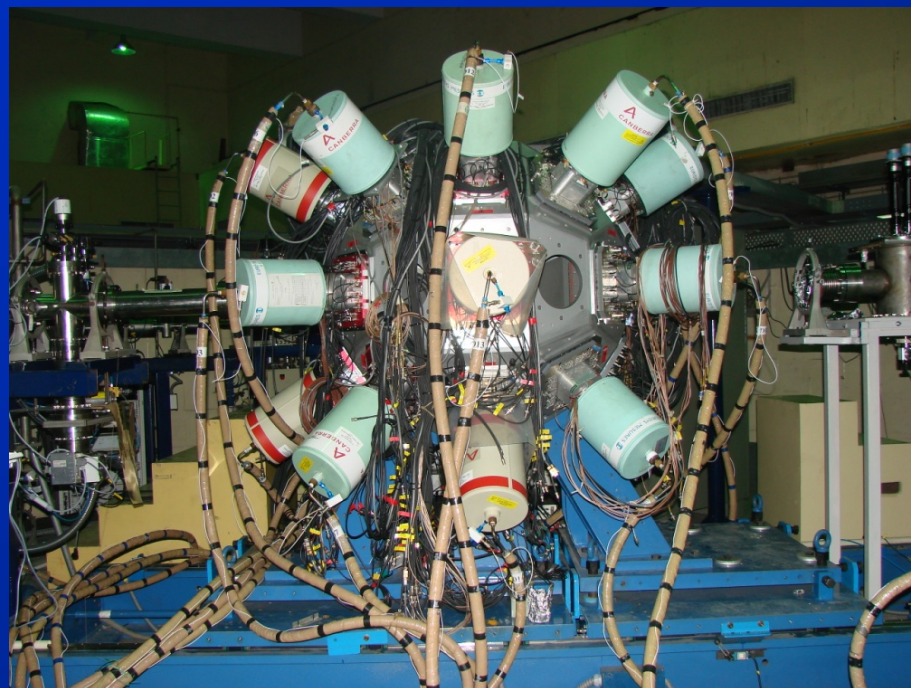
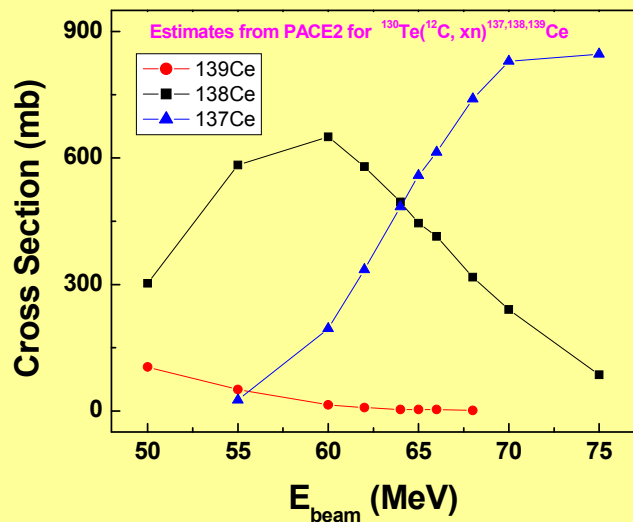




# Properties of band structure in $^{138}\text{Ce}$

$^{130}\text{Te}(^{12}\text{C}, xn) ^{137,138}\text{Ce}$   
 $E_{\text{beam}}: 63 \text{ MeV}$

0.8 mg/cm<sup>2</sup>  $^{130}\text{Te}$  on  
4.8 g/cm<sup>2</sup> Au backing



18 Clover Ge  
Indian National Gamma Array  
@ IUAC, New Delhi

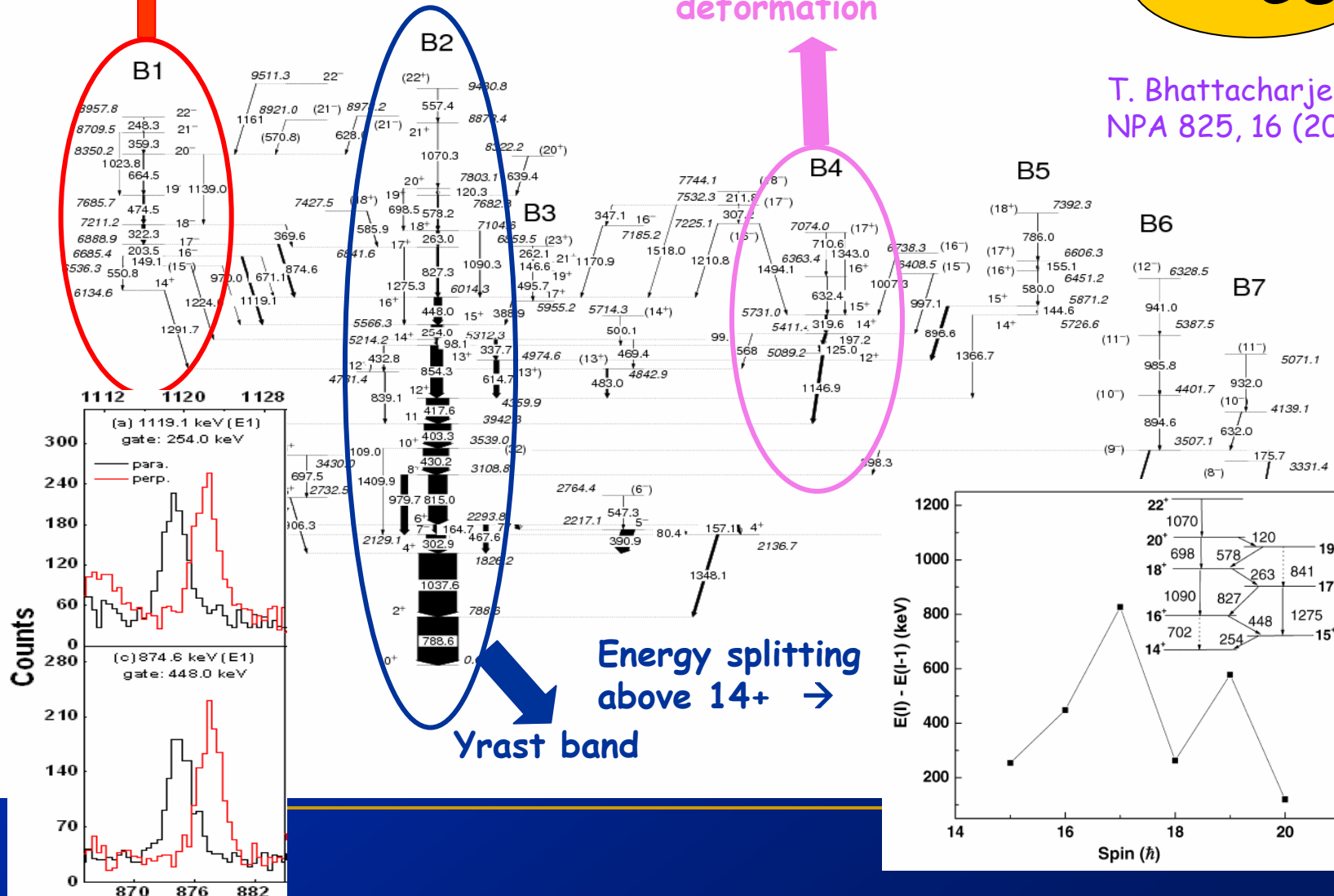
# Level structure of $^{138}\text{Ce}$

Shears band :  $(\pi h_{11/2} 2g_{7/2}) \otimes (\nu h_{11/2}^{-2})$

Four quasi particle structure; oblate deformation

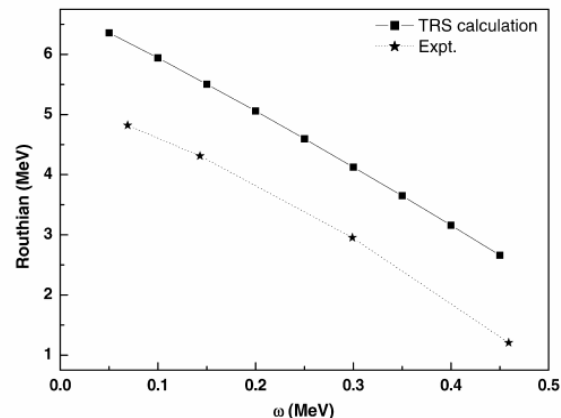
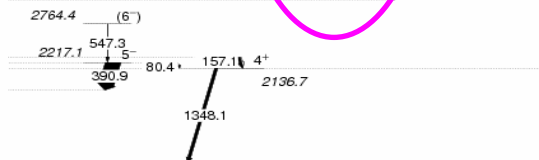
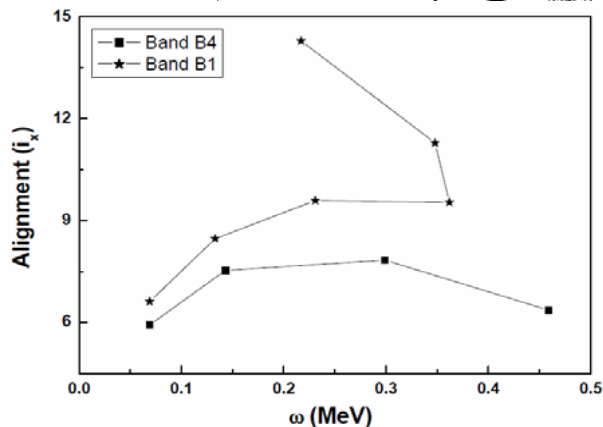
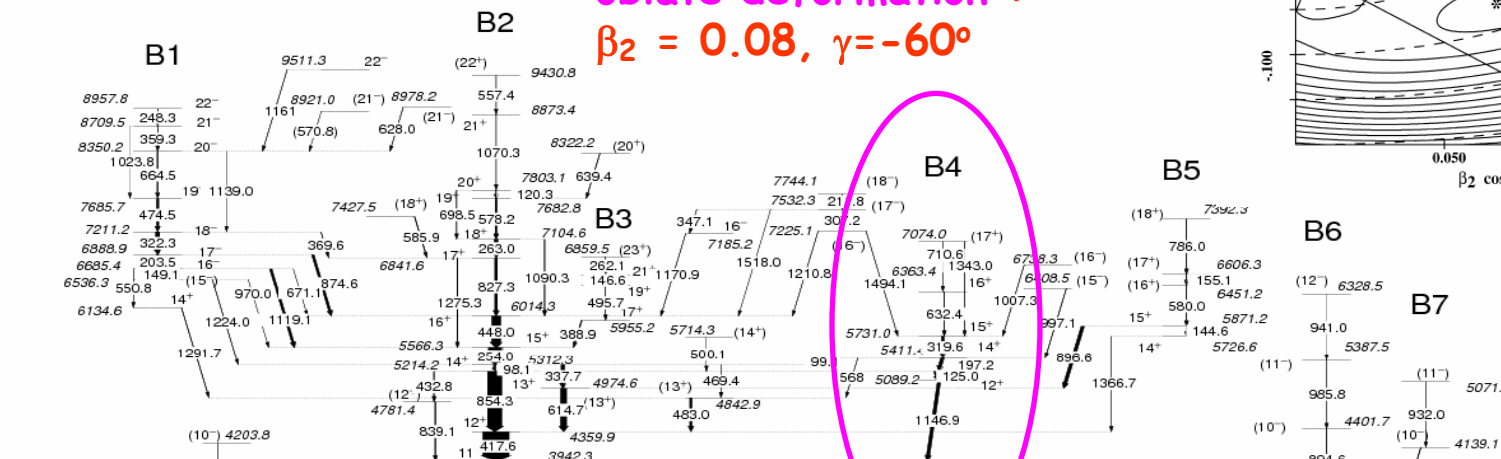
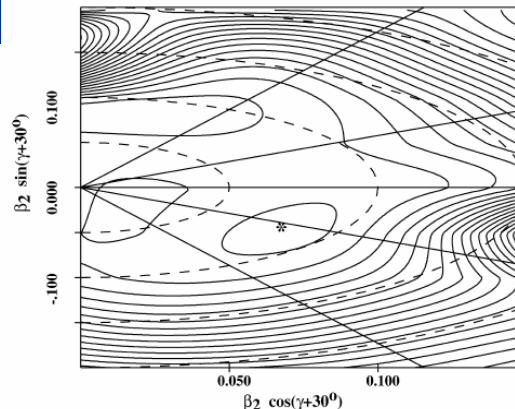
**$^{138}\text{Ce}$**

T. Bhattacharjee et al.,  
NPA 825, 16 (2009)



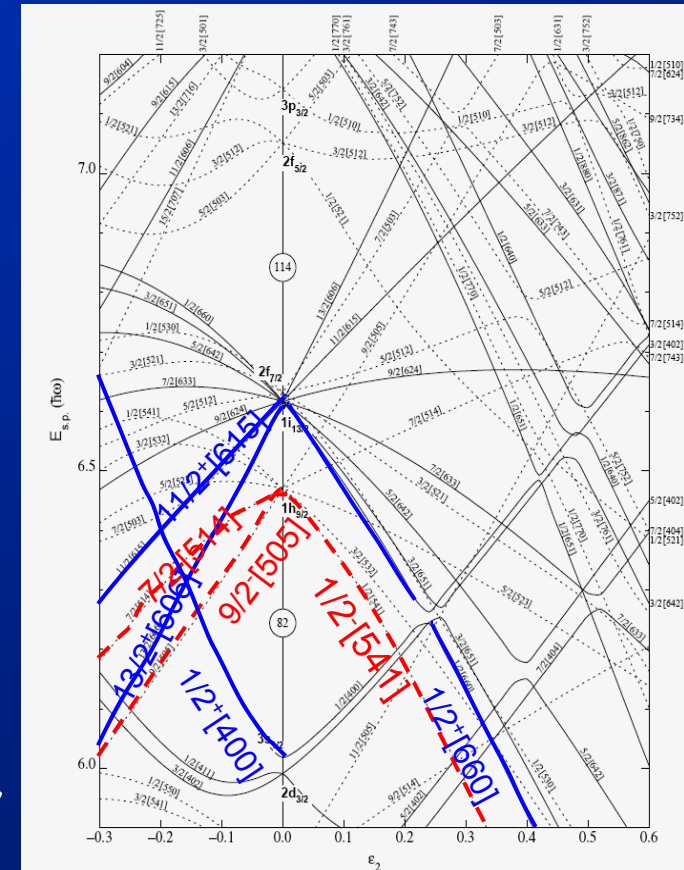
# Multi-quasiparticle band in $^{138}\text{Ce}$

Four quasi particle structure  
 $\pi d_{5/2} g_{7/2} \otimes \nu h^{-1}_{11/2} \nu d^{-1}_{11/2}$   
 oblate deformation :  
 $\beta_2 = 0.08, \gamma = -60^\circ$



# Heavier rare earth nuclei in $A \sim 190-200$

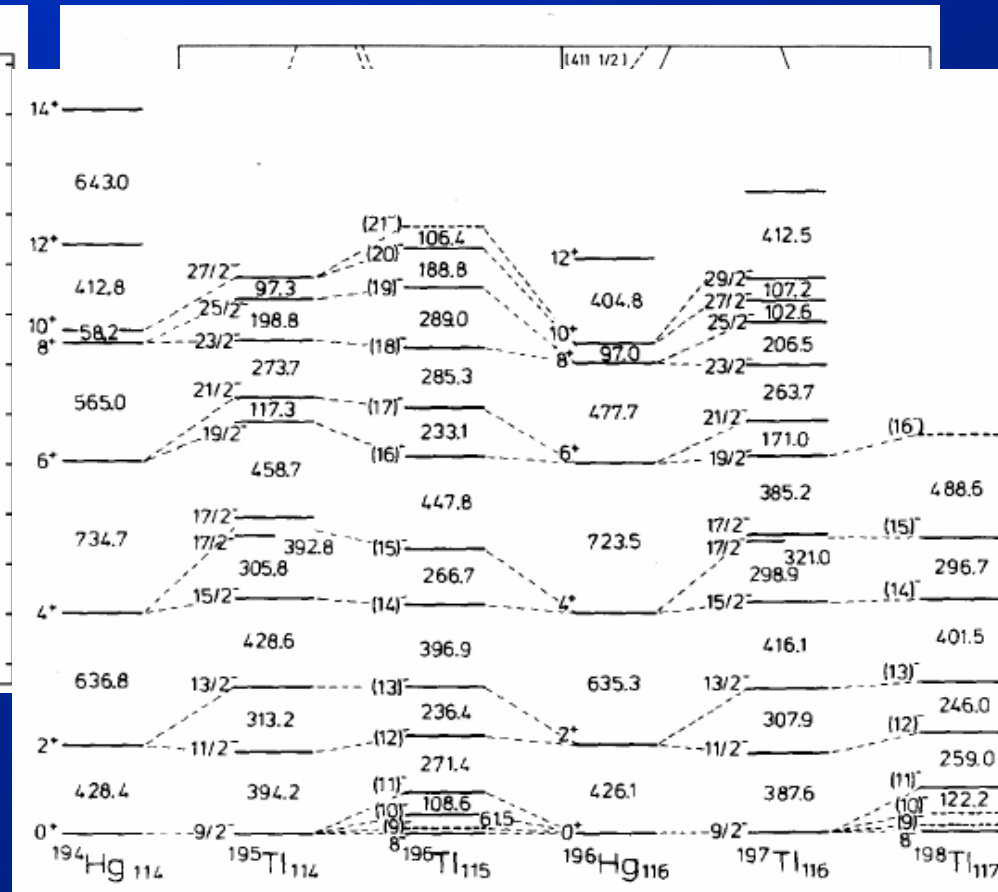
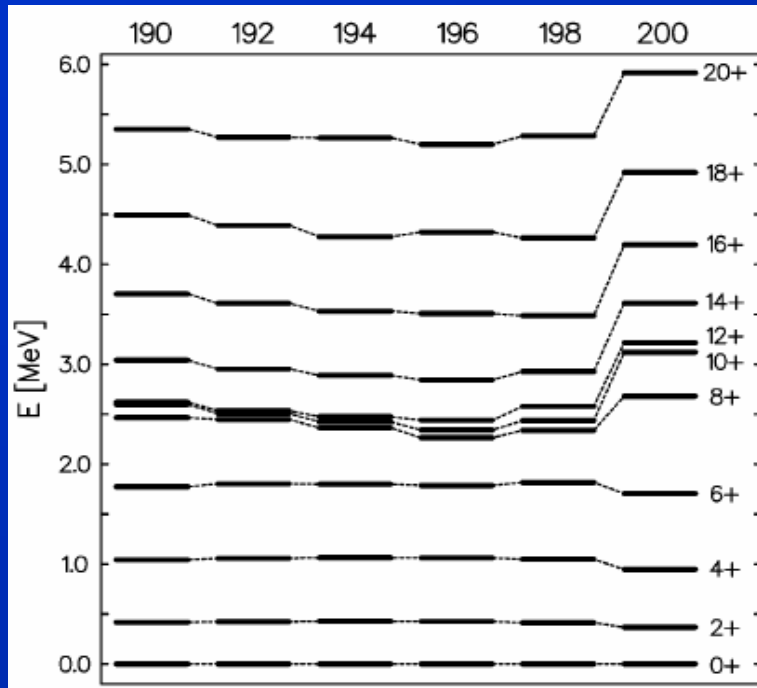
- Role of low- $\Omega$   $\pi h_{9/2}$  orbital to generate the band structure - similar as the  $h_{11/2}$  states for lighter rare-earth nuclei.
- Rotational bands built on the intruder states  $i_{13/2}$  at higher spin.
- The ground state of odd- $A$  Tl nuclei are  $1/2^+$   $\rightarrow$  occupation of the unpaired proton in the  $3s_{1/2}$  orbital below the  $Z = 82$ .
- $\pi h_{9/2}$  orbital above the  $Z = 82$  shell closure, is accessible by the odd-proton in Tl nuclei for oblate deformation.
- For heavy Tl isotopes, the neutron numbers favor the oblate deformation as they occupy the upper part of the  $i_{13/2}$  orbital.



Protons

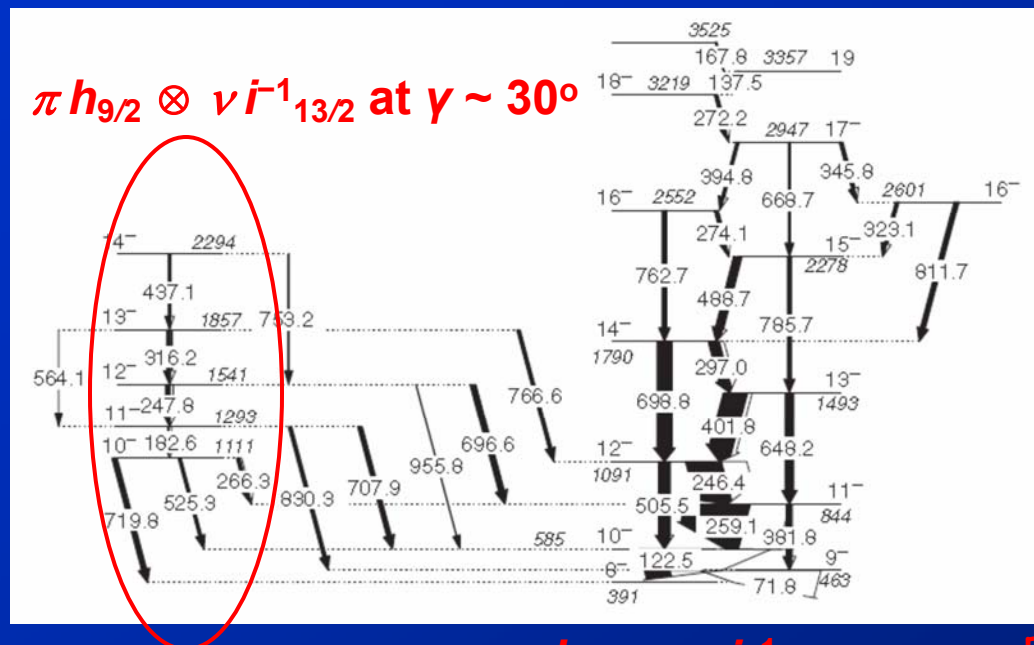
# Core (Hg) systematics

## Even Hg isotopes

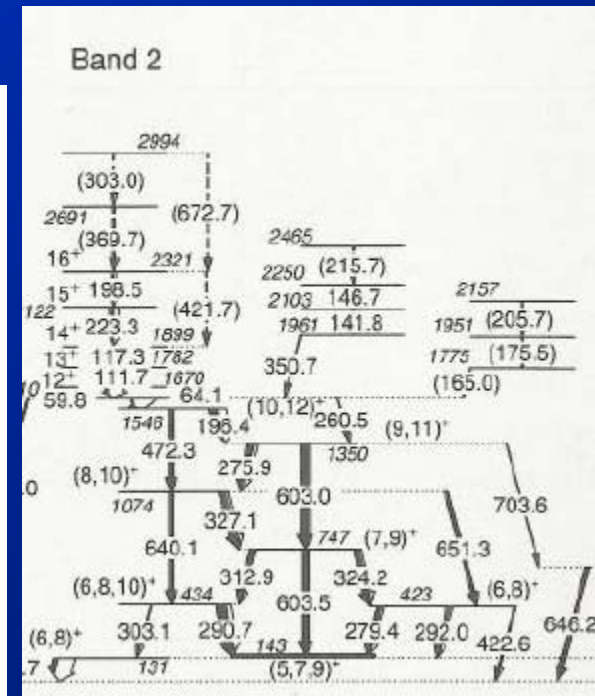


# Possible chirality in the doubly-odd $^{198}\text{Tl}$

E. A. Lawrie *et al.*,  
 PRC 78, 021305(R) (2008)



$\pi h_{9/2} \otimes \nu i^{-1}_{13/2}$   
 at  $\beta \sim -0.15$



Four quasiparticle structure  
 $\pi h_{9/2} \otimes \nu i^{-2}_{13/2} \nu j$  ( $j = p_{3/2}, f_{5/2}, p_{1/2}$ )

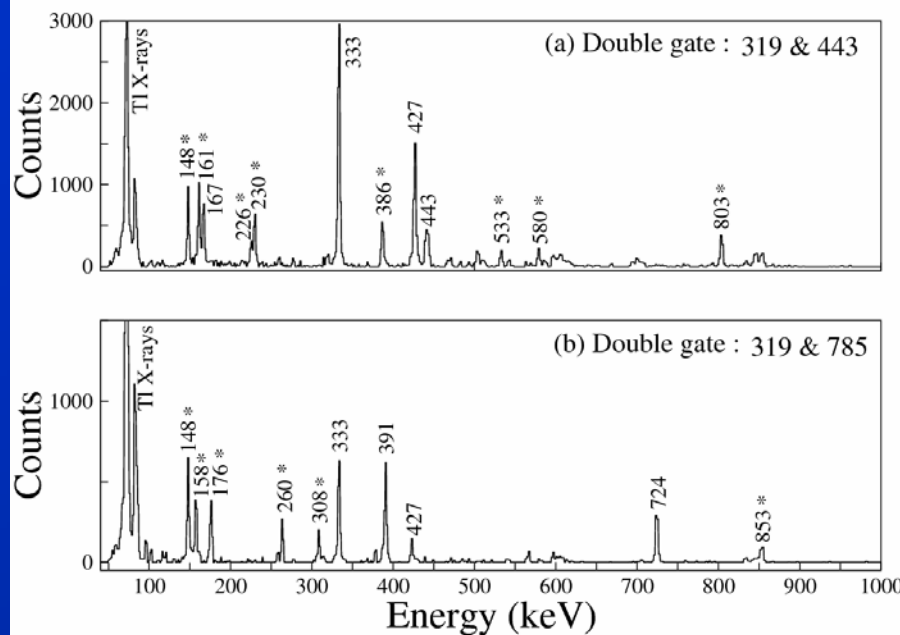
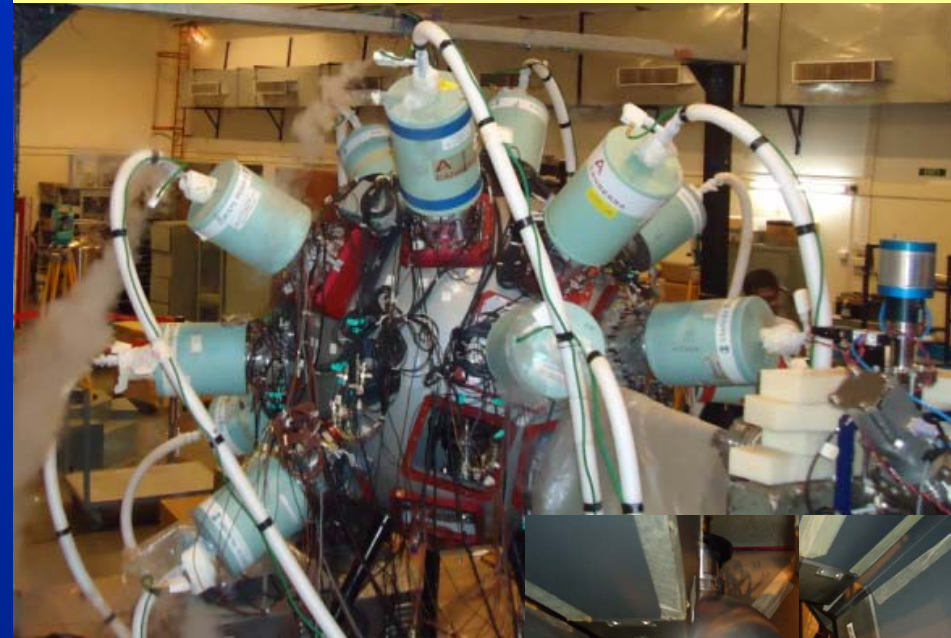
# High spin structure of $^{200}\text{Tl}$ , $^{201}\text{Tl}$

$^{198}\text{Pt}(^7\text{Li}, xn) ^{200,201}\text{Tl}$

$E_{\text{beam}}: 45 \text{ MeV}$

$^{198}\text{Pt}(\alpha, xn) ^{199,201}\text{Hg}$   
From incomplete fusion

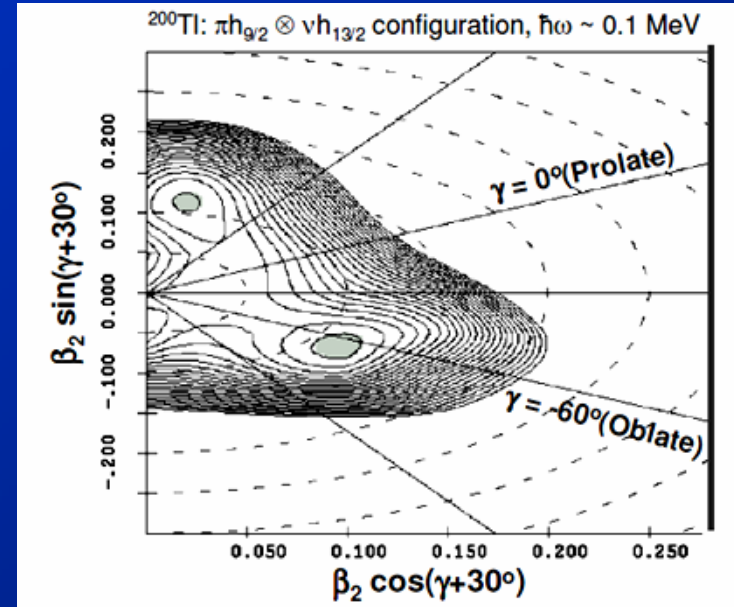
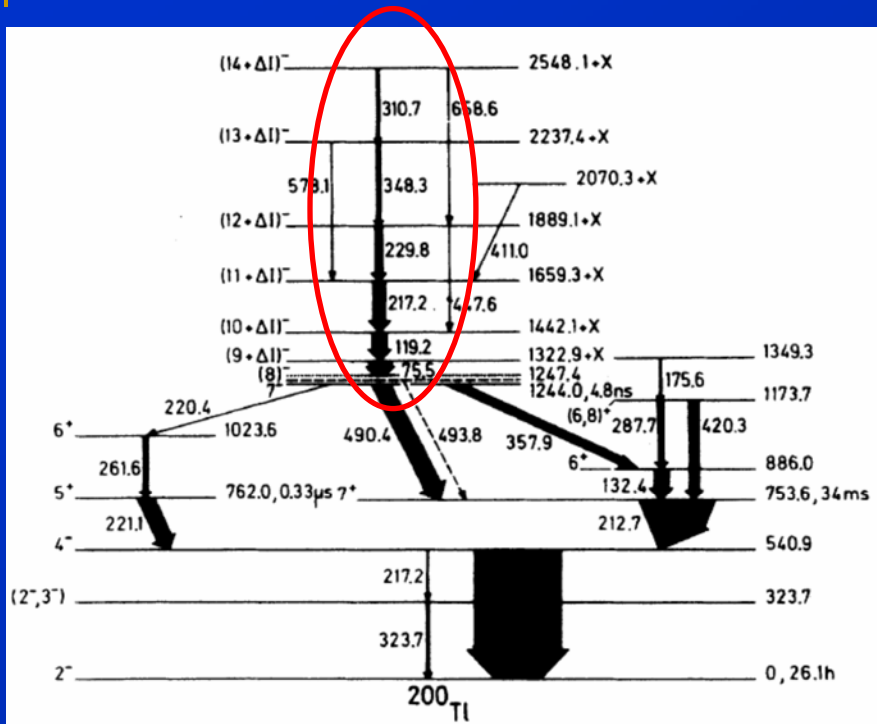
15 Clover Ge detectors INGA @TIFR



Trigger :  
 $\gamma$ - $\gamma$  at Clover level  
Digital DAQ



# Band structure of $^{200}\text{Tl}$



$\pi h_{9/2} \otimes \nu i_{13/2}$

Two minima with similar deformation of  $\beta_2 = 0.12$

at near oblate shape ( $\gamma = -64^\circ$ )

→ an oblate deformation for the yrast band

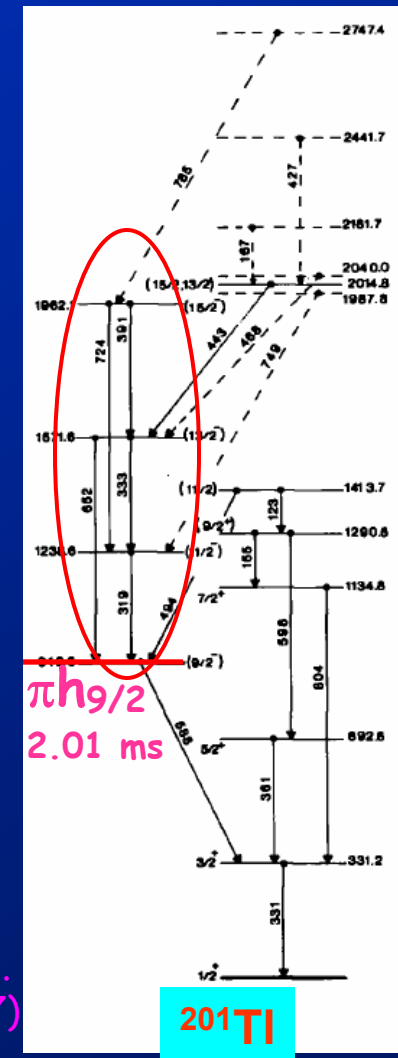
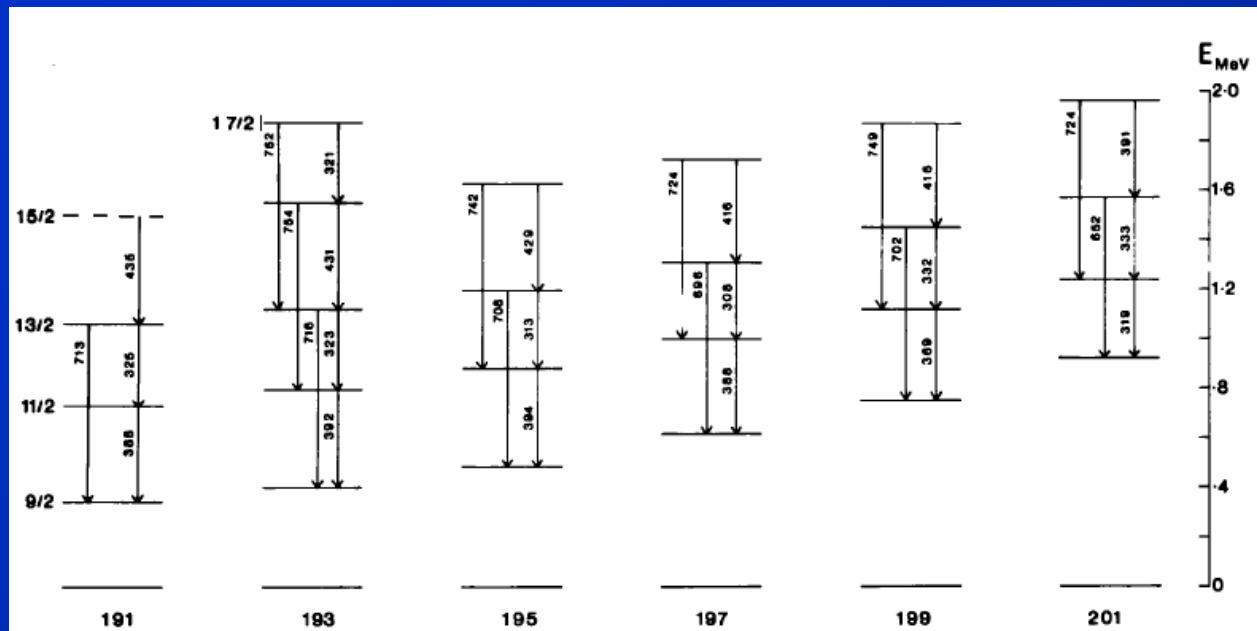
at triaxial shape ( $\gamma = 48^\circ$ )

→ possibility to observe Chiral structure

A.J. Kreiner et al  
PRC 23, 748 (1981)



# $^{201}\text{Tl}$ : states above $h_{9/2}$ isomer



M.G. Slocombe et al.  
NPA 275, 166 (1977)

$^{201}\text{Tl}$

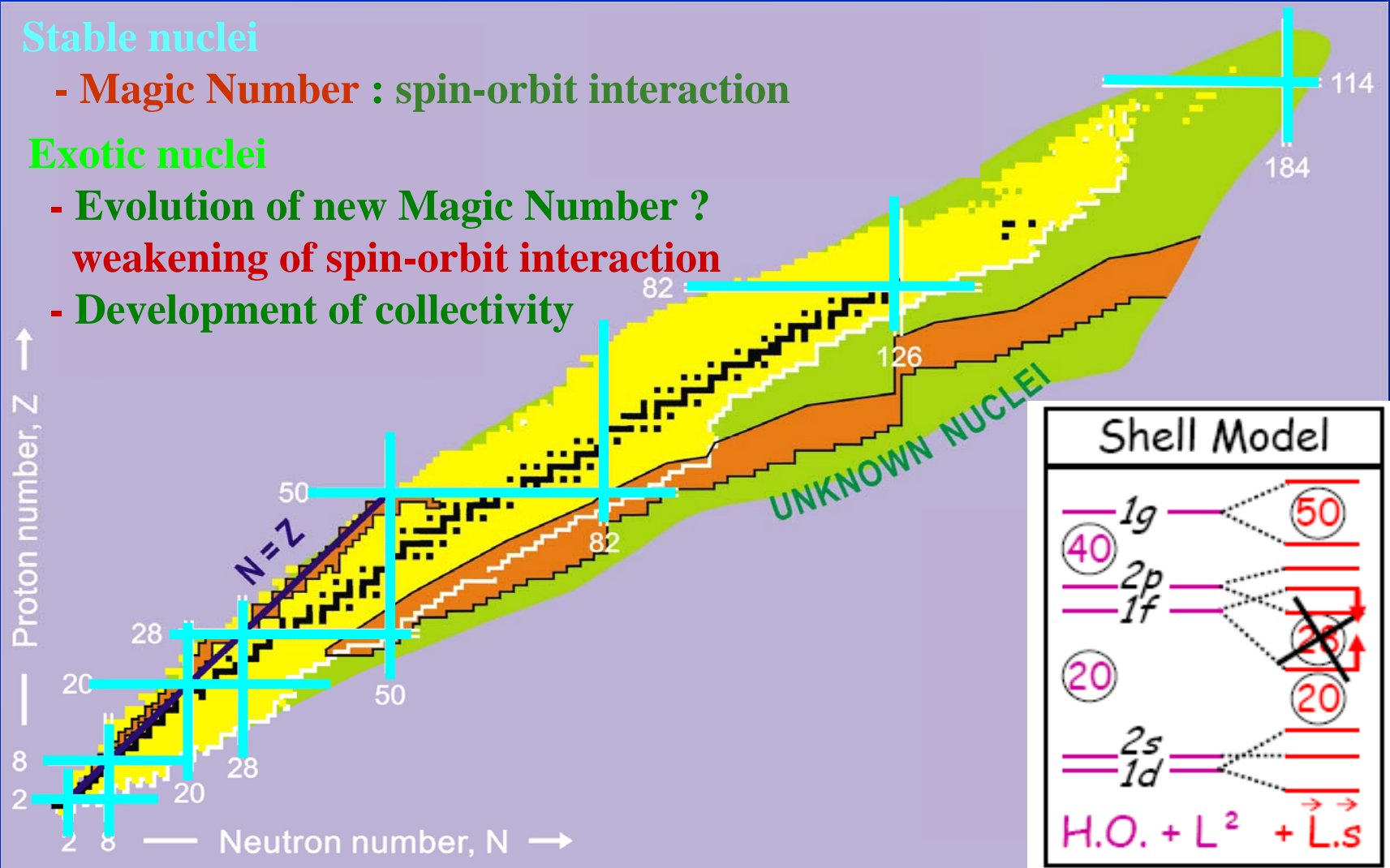
# What is happening away from stability ?

## Stable nuclei

- **Magic Number** : spin-orbit interaction

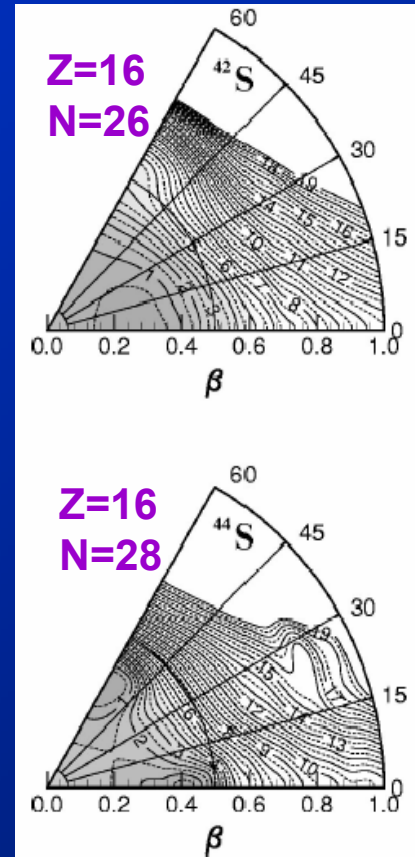
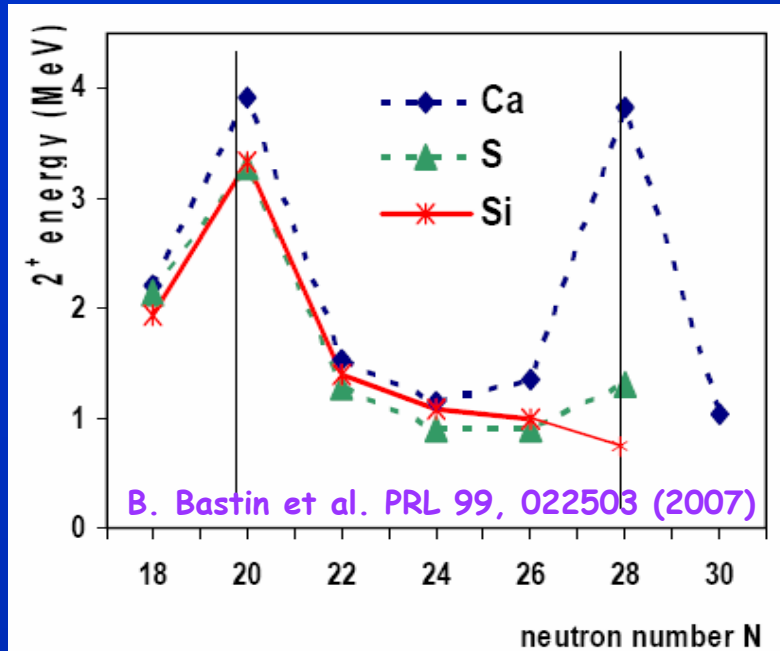
## Exotic nuclei

- **Evolution of new Magic Number ?**  
**weakening of spin-orbit interaction**
- **Development of collectivity**



# New region of deformation near N=28

## Breakdown of N=28 shell gap at Z=14



$\gamma$ -soft

D. Sohler et al.  
PRC 66, 054302 (2002)

Shape mixing in  
low energy states

Coexistence of  
1p-1h and 2p-2h  
Configuration

D. Santiago-Gonzalez et al  
PRC, 83, 061305(R) (2011)

Erosion of N=28 shell closure at Z=16

- high collectivity
- strong deformation ( $\beta=0.45$ )
- no magicity

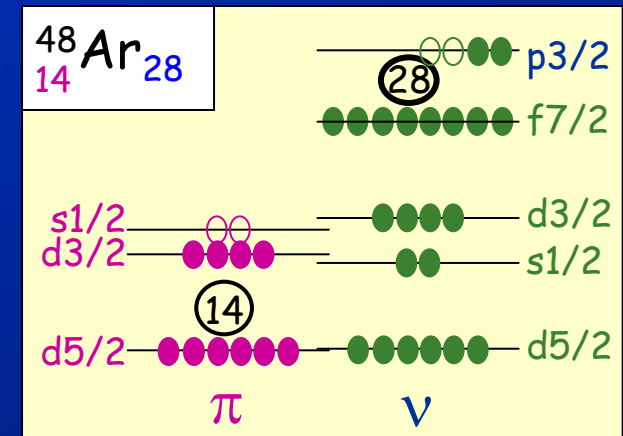
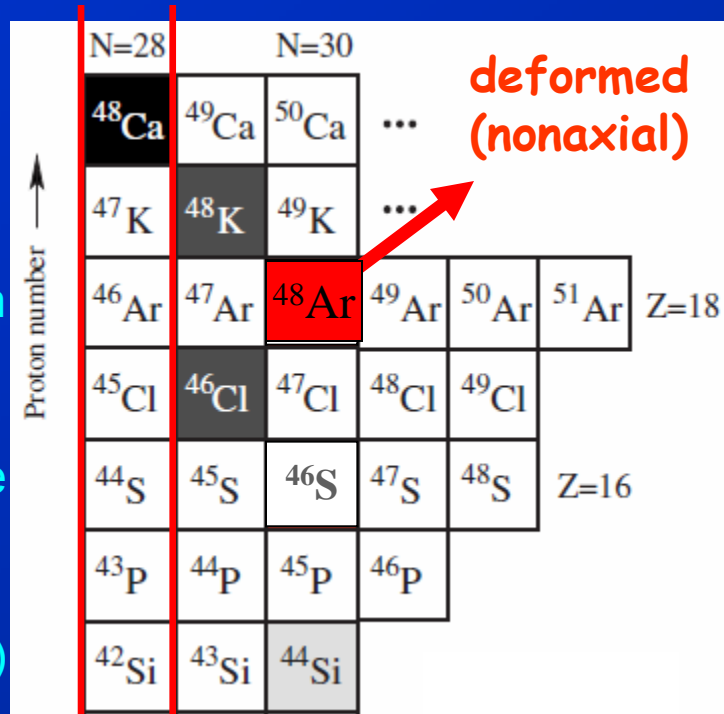
# Development of collectivity near N=28

spherical

onset of deformation

shape coexistence

well deformed (axial)



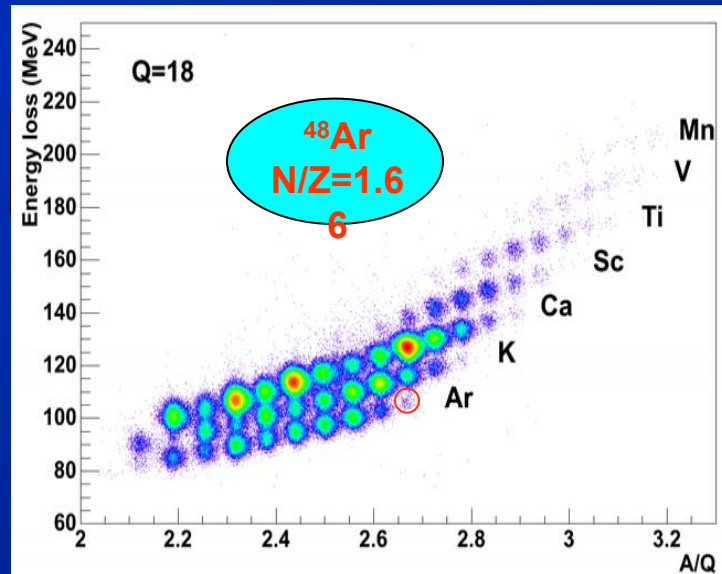
- ✓ Strong presence of  $N_{ph}$  excitations from  $\nu f_{7/2}$  orbital
- ✓ Role of neutron proton correlation on collective motion
- ✓ Strong quadrupole interaction between Protons in  $sd$  and neutrons in  $pf$
- ✓ Rapid development of collectivity

# Deep inelastic reaction in inverse kinematics @GANIL

$^{238}\text{U}$  @ 5.5 MeV/u  
(N/Z=1.58)  
~ 12% above barrier

$^{48}\text{Ca}$  (1 mg/cm<sup>2</sup>)  
(N/Z=1.4)

11 Nos. segmented Clover detectors  
High v/c (~ 14%) of fragments  
*Accurate Doppler correction is must !!*  
Determination of Angle event by event  
Velocity of fragment (VAMOS Reconstruction)  
and segments of EXOGAM Clover



## Identification

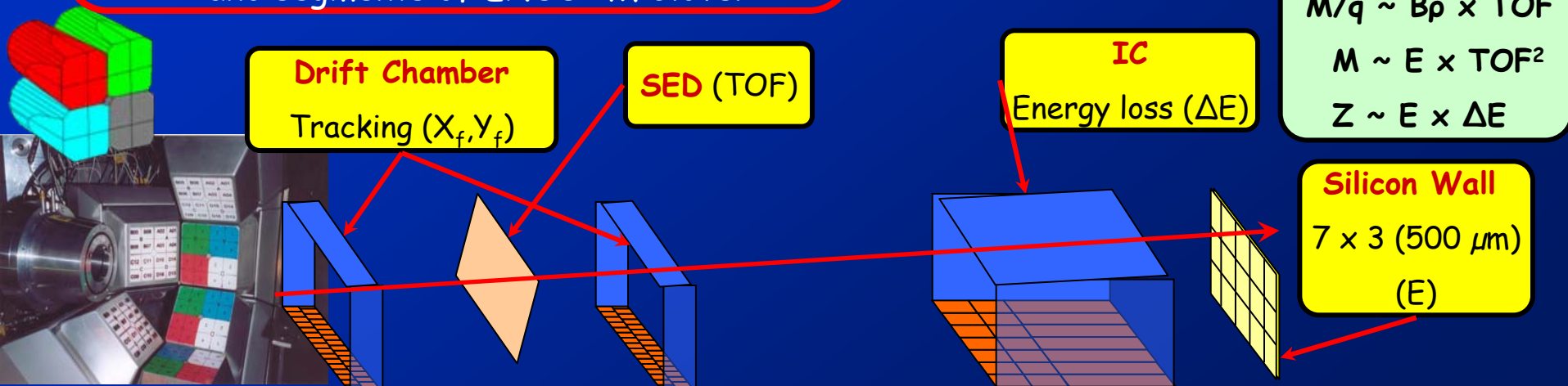
$$M/q \sim B\rho \times \text{TOF}$$

$$M \sim E \times \text{TOF}^2$$

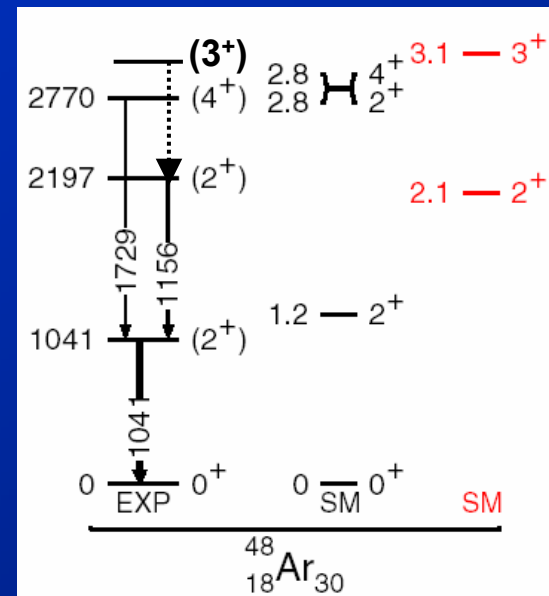
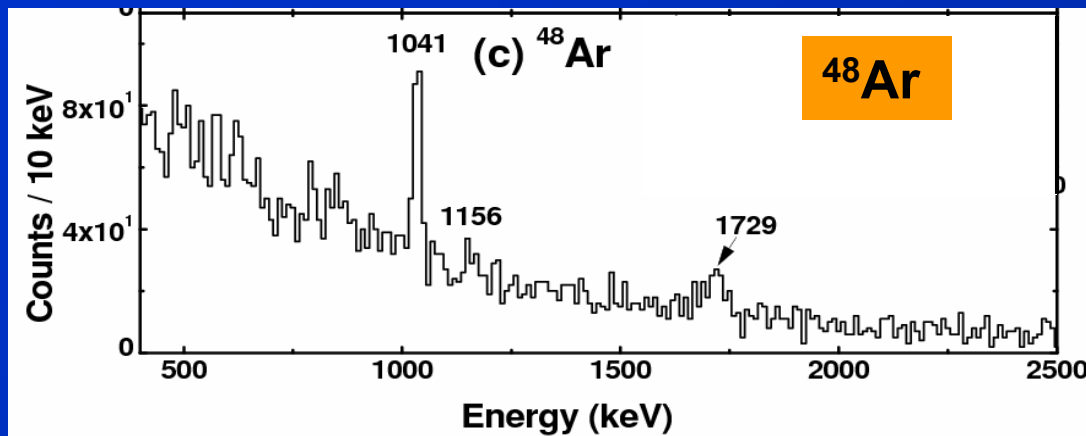
$$Z \sim E \times \Delta E$$

## Silicon Wall

7 x 3 (500  $\mu\text{m}$ )  
(E)



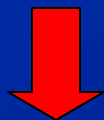
# Signature of triaxiality in $^{48}\text{Ar}$



**Signature of triaxiality :**

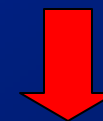
$$E(2^+_{2})/E(2^+_{1}) = 2.1$$

$$E(4^+_{1})/E(2^+_{1}) = 2.6$$



Agreement with  
Davydov and Filipov

Appearance of a  
low lying  $\gamma$ -band

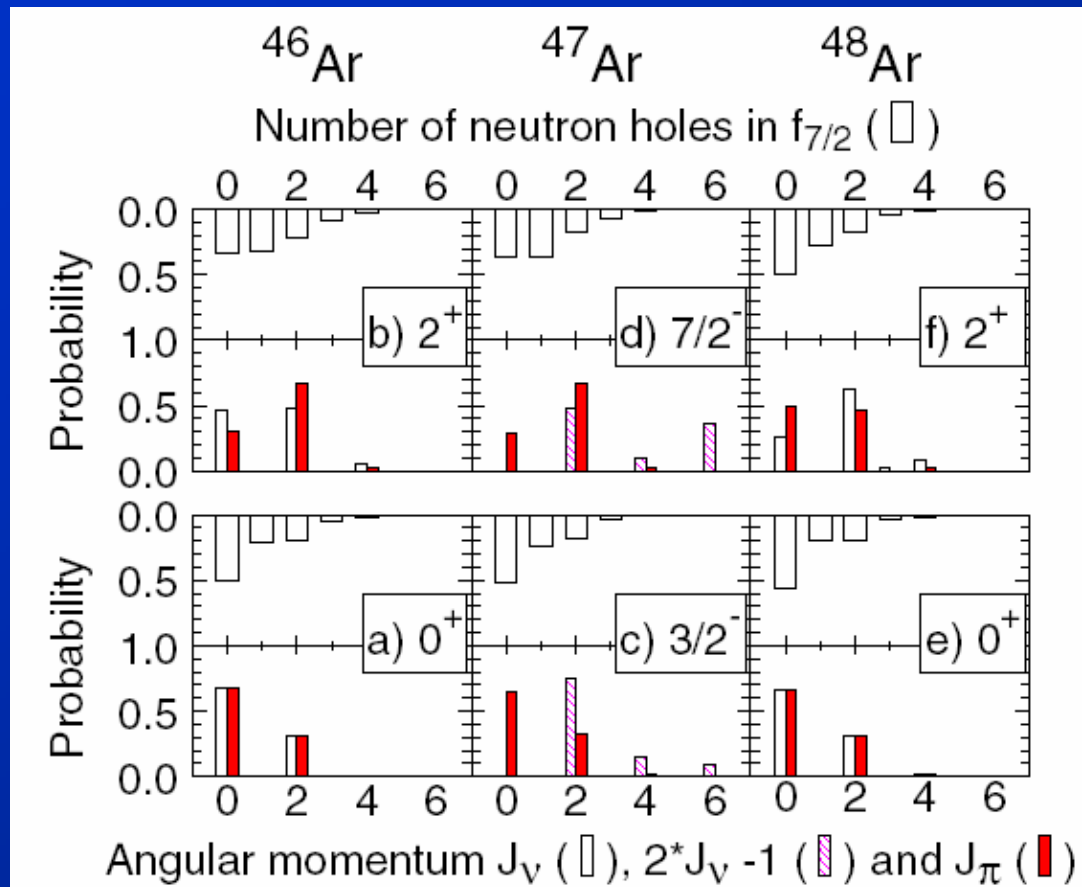


Deviation from axial symmetry

$$\beta=0.25, \gamma=40^\circ$$

S. Bhattacharyya et al., PRL 101, 032501 (2008)

# Properties of calculated states



# Summary and conclusion

- ✓ Transitional nuclei in  $A \sim 130$  and  $A \sim 200$
- ✓ Role of  
shape driving intruder orbitals  
triaxial degrees of freedom
- ✓ Magnetic Rotation and multi-quasiparticle bands in  $^{138}\text{Ce}$
- ✓ High spin spectroscopy of  $^{200,201}\text{Tl}$
- ✓ Development of collectivity near  $N=28$  for neutron rich nuclei





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