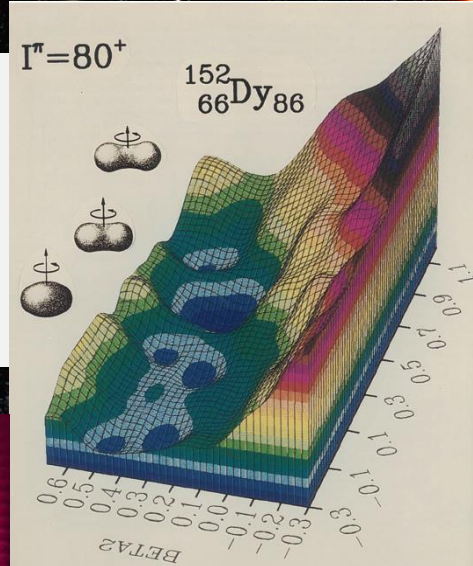
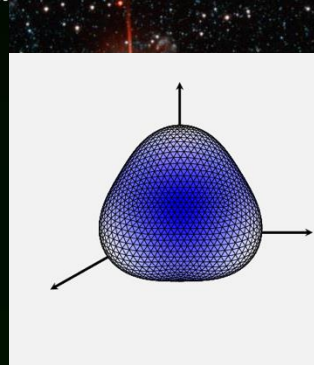
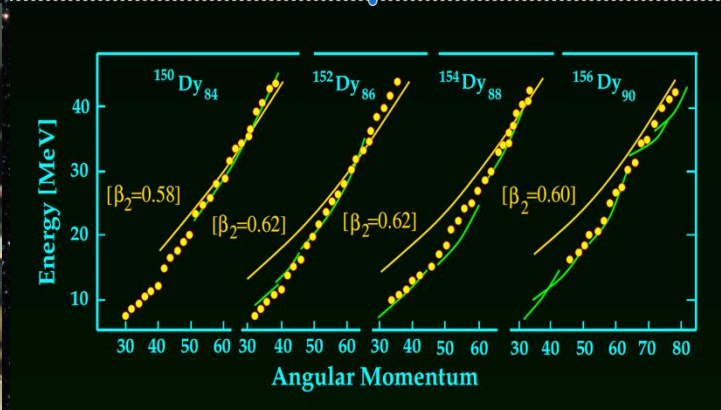
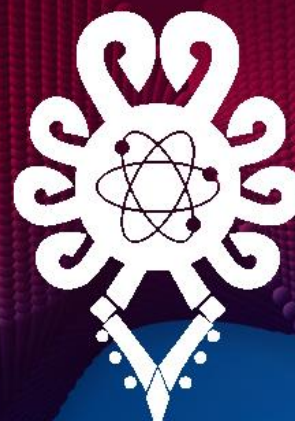




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Extremes of the Nuclear Landscape



**Shapes, Symmetries and Spin at the Extremes in Atomic Nuclei:
Reflections on Seminal Contributions of Jerzy Dudek!**

Mark A. Riley - Florida State University (+ a few from Jerzy himself ☺)

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Outline of Talk



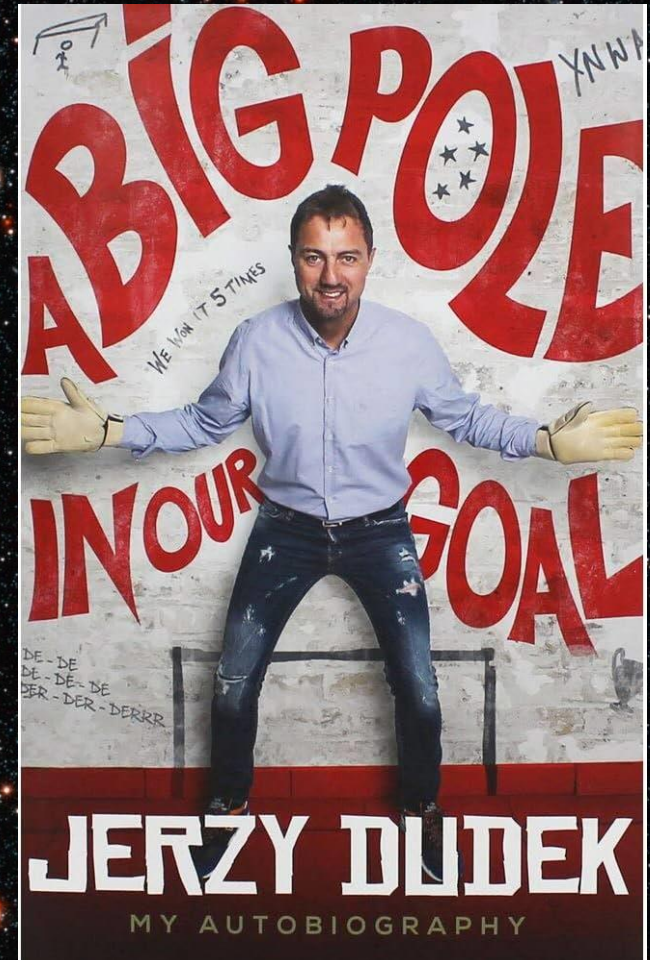
- Shapes, Symmetries and Spin.
- Jerzy Dudek is a Grand Master of Nuclear Structure Physics!
- We would not be where we are now without his brilliant 6 decades of input.
- I first met Jerzy/Jurek/Dudek in 1984 at Daresbury Laboratory.
- Let us celebrate his 80th birthday in a special way and make mention of some of his seminal contributions.
- It is also the 40th birthday of the discrete superdeformed band in ^{152}Dy which changed our field forever! Brief SD primer for young folks ... It will be back!
- Just celebrated 50 years since Nobel Prize for Bohr, Mottelson and Rainwater.
- I will attempt to combine these three interlinked themes with some history and of my own interactions with Jerzy through the past 40+ years.
- There is spectacular discovery potential in the future to study nuclei at the extremes. May the fun continue!



AI Overview

Jerzy Dudek

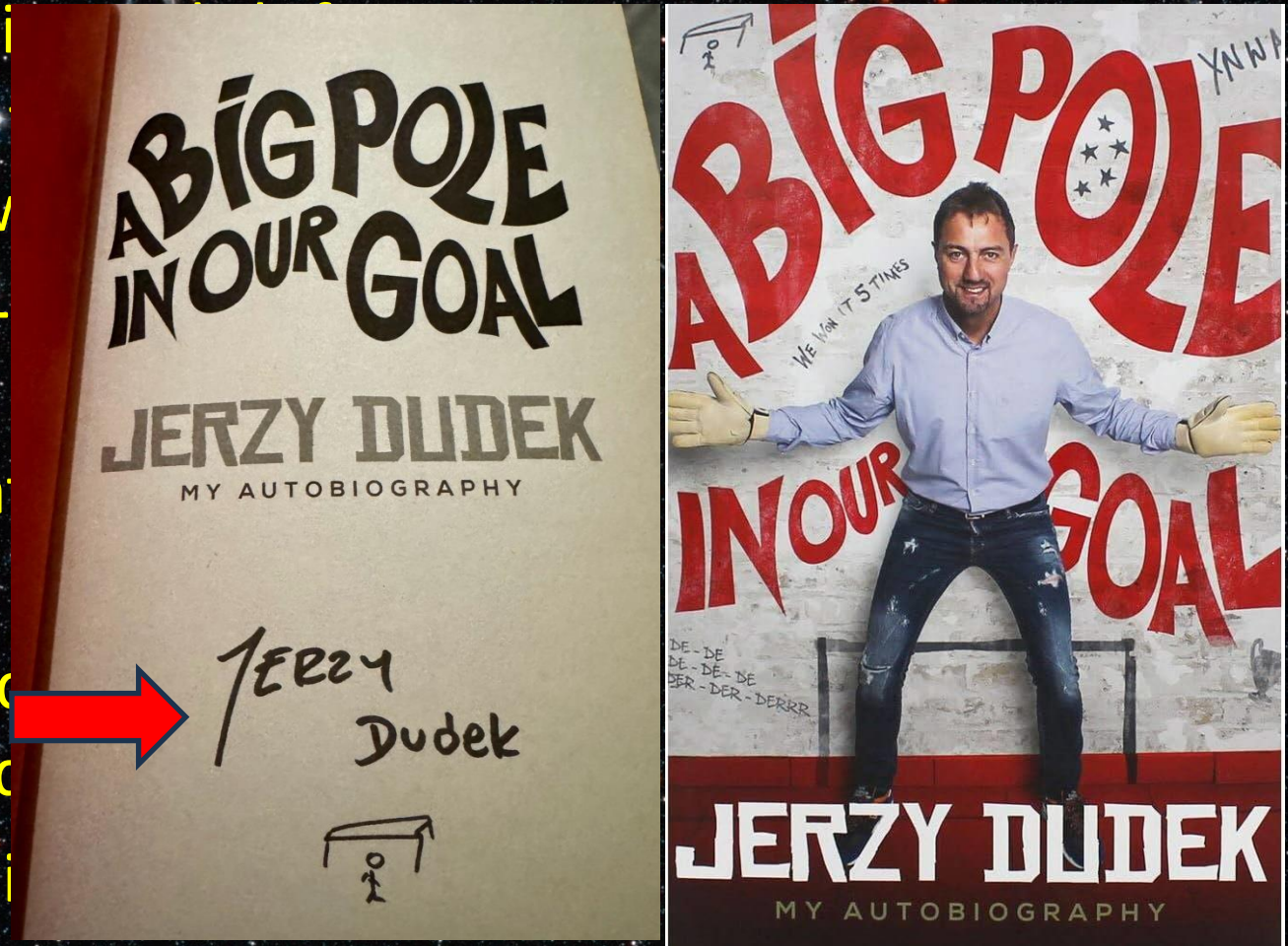
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Jerzy Dudek and Nuclear Structure

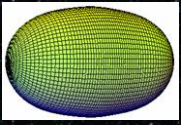
- Jerzy Dudek is a theoretical physicist recognized globally for his foundational research on the diverse shapes, exotic symmetries, and extreme rotational behaviors of atomic nuclei. Working primarily at the University of Strasbourg and the IPHC in France, his career spans six decades of connecting theoretical models with experimental nuclear physics.
- Local lad! ☺ Master's degree in Theoretical Physics from the Jagiellonian University in Kraków, Poland, and completed his Ph.D. in Theoretical Nuclear Physics at the University of Warsaw, Poland

AI Overview

Key Scientific Contributions

Deformed Woods-Saxon Potential Universal Parameter set

- Dudek (along with collaborators like Witold Nazarewicz) optimized and popularized the **axially deformed Woods-Saxon potential** to compute single-particle nucleon energies. *6 parameters! Truly Universal!
- Compared to older models, Dudek's parameterization was remarkably accurate at describing the subtle nuclear shell adjustments that occur when a nucleus stretches or spins.
- This became the global standard for predicting where new islands of stability and deformed shapes would manifest.

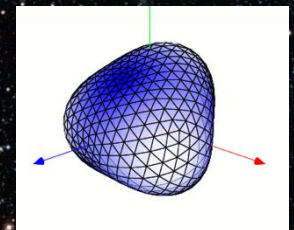


AI Overview



Key Scientific Contributions

- **Super- and Hyper-Deformation:** He developed microscopic theories explaining atomic nuclei that stretch into elongated, highly deformed shapes under extreme rotation or energy.
- **Exotic Point-Group Symmetries:** He pioneered the study of non-standard spatial symmetries in nuclei—such as **tetrahedral and octahedral** point-group symmetries—which affect nuclear stability and shell structures.

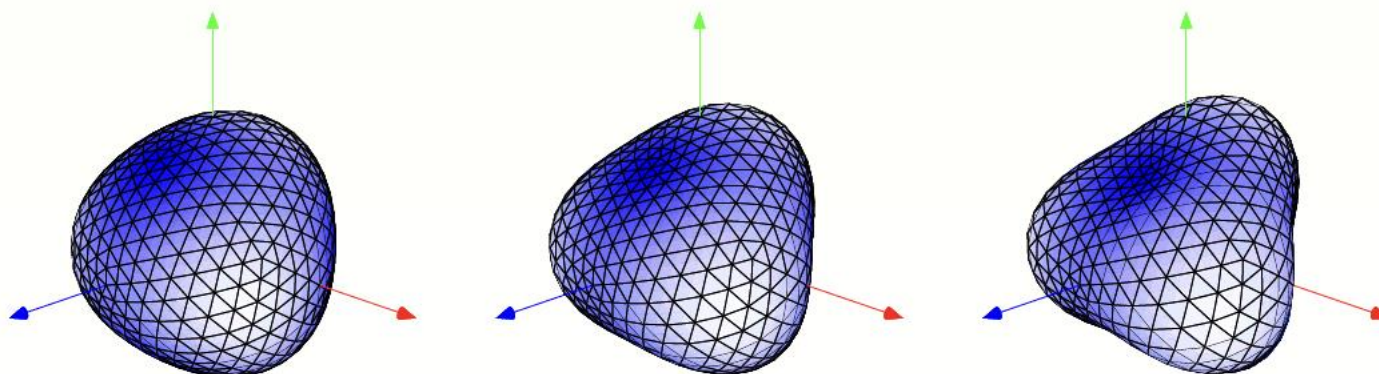


Nuclear Tetrahedral Symmetry: Possibly Present throughout the Periodic Table

J. Dudek, A. Góźdz, N. Schunck, and M. Miśkiewicz

Island of Rare Earth Nuclei with Tetrahedral and Octahedral Symmetries: Possible Experimental Evidence

J. Dudek, D. Curien, N. Dubray, J. Dobaczewski, V. Pangon, P. Olbratowski, and N. Schunck



$$\alpha_{32} \equiv t_3 = 0.1$$

$$\alpha_{32} \equiv t_3 = 0.2$$

$$\alpha_{32} \equiv t_3 = 0.3$$

Examples: Nuclear **TETRAHEDRAL** symmetry shapes

AIP Physics News 2002 & 2006

“Nuclear Pyramids”

Physics News Update

<http://www.aip.org/pnu/2002/split/593-1.html>

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Number 593 #1, June 10, 2002 by Phil Schewe, James Riordon, and Ben Stein
Nuclear Pyramids

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Smallest Pyramids in the Universe -- Physics News Update 789

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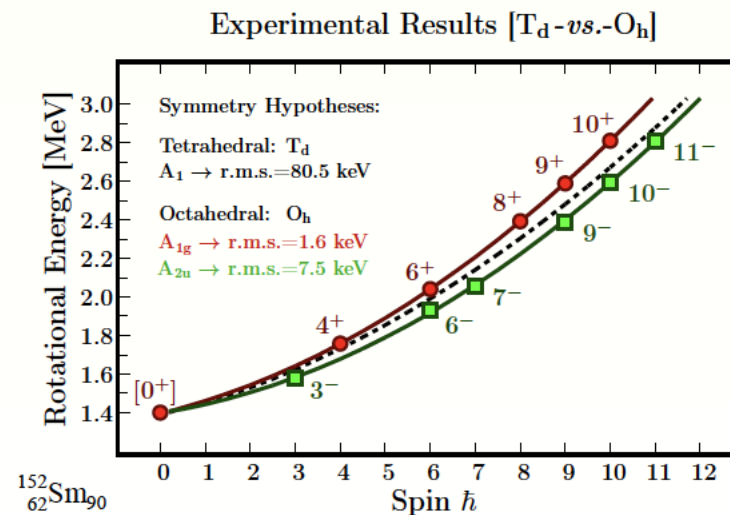
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Want to know more? Nicholas Schunck or Dudek's talk

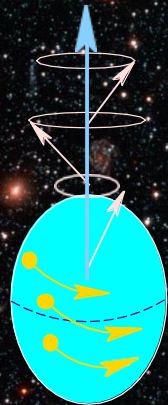
- These two sequences represent the coexistence between tetrahedral and octahedral symmetries. Curves represent the parabolic fit and are not meant to guide the eye. This is the first evidence based on the experimental data



FROM: Spectroscopic criteria for identification of nuclear tetrahedral and octahedral symmetries: Illustration on a rare earth nucleus
 J. Dudek et al., PHYSICAL REVIEW C 97, 021302(R) (2018)

AI Overview

Key Scientific Contributions



- **Nuclear Isomerism and Rotation:** His work clarified the nature of fission-isomers, yrast-trap isomers (high-spin trapped states), and collective nuclear rotation using mean-field theory.
- **Extreme Conditions:** He investigated how atomic nuclei behave under extreme conditions, including **high spins, high temperatures, and extreme neutron-to-proton ratios (isospins).**

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Key Scientific Contributions

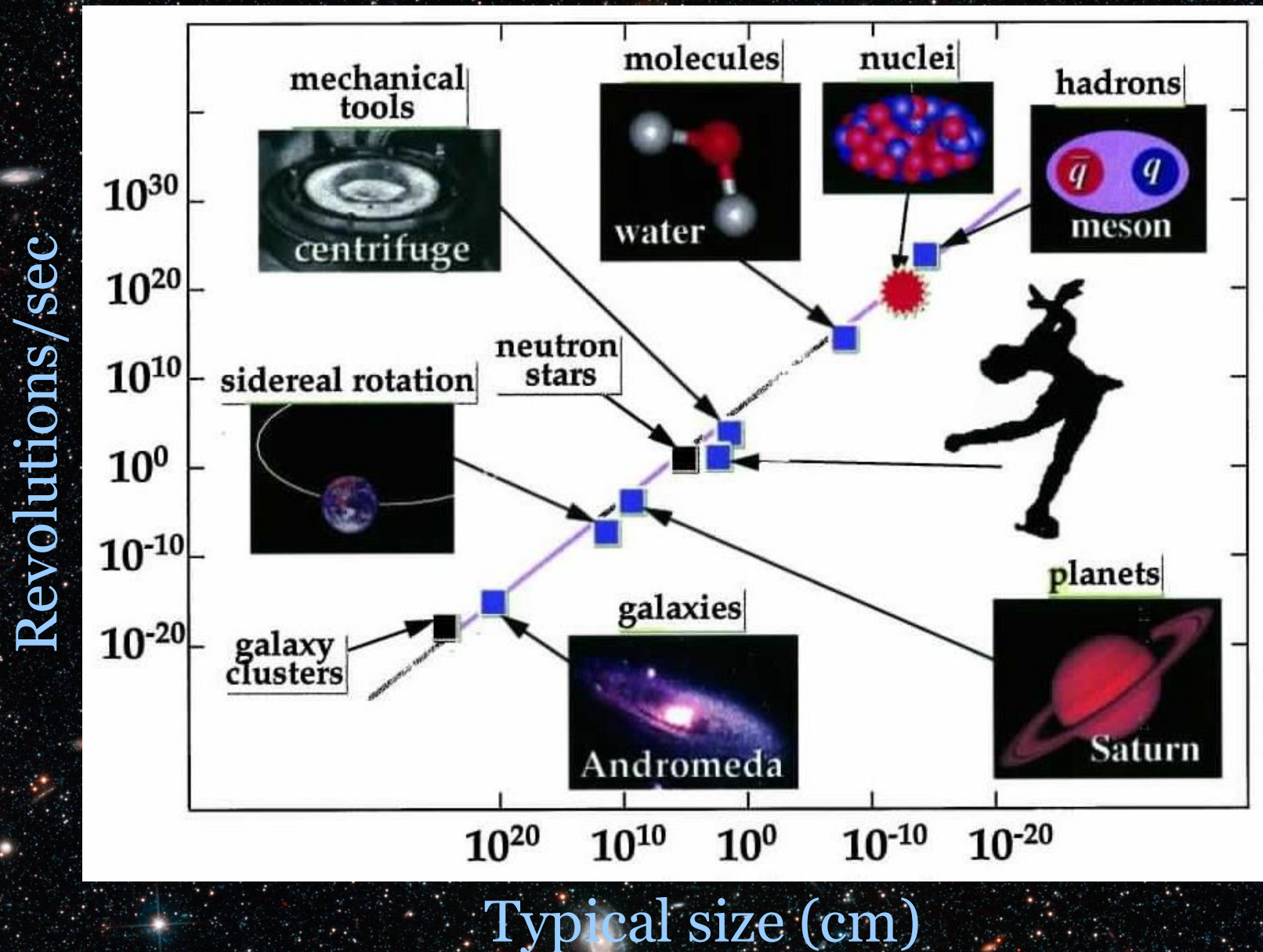
- You can read more about his recent lectures on realistic models through the Zakopane 2026 Conference on Nuclear Physics, or explore his co-edited collection on the Focus issue on Nuclear Shapes and Symmetries.





Pushing atomic nuclei to new extremes is what we are about!

Witek Nazarewicz: Rotations in the Universe



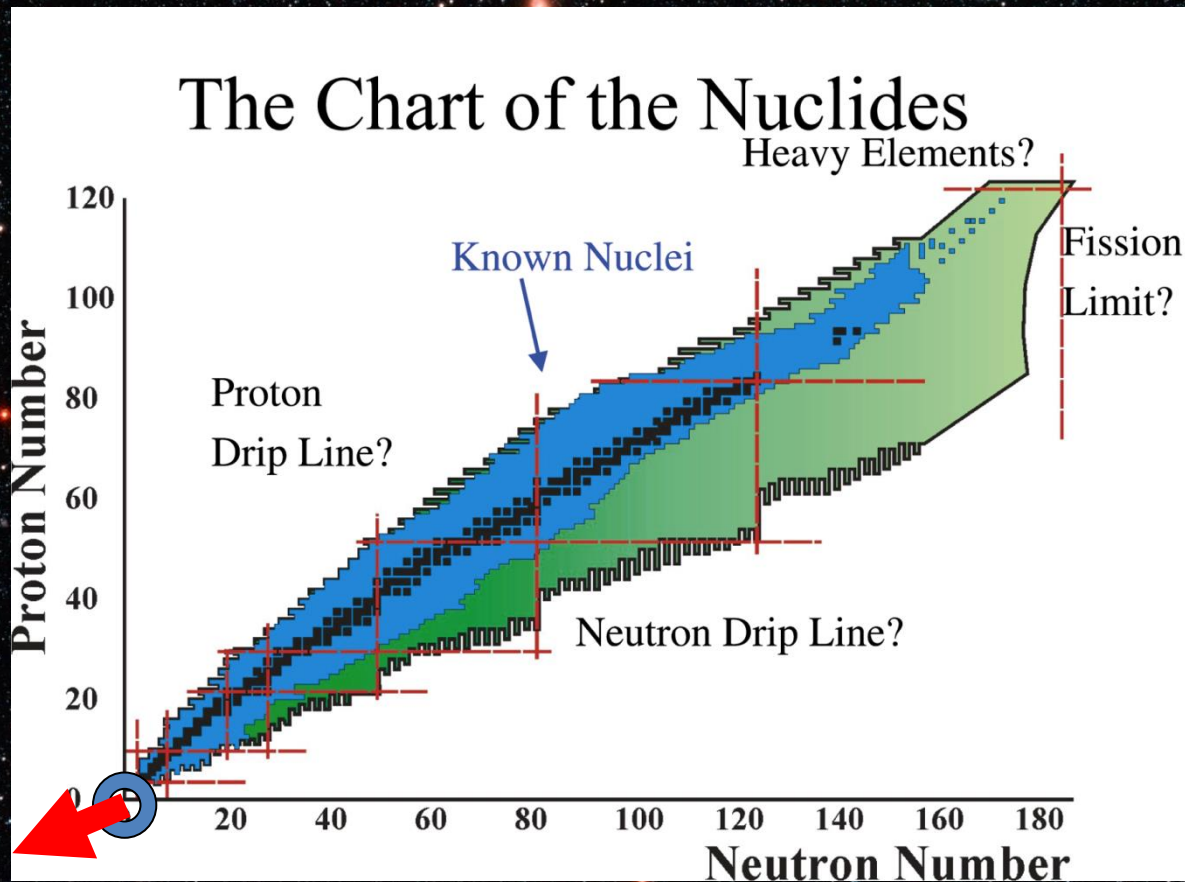
It is fun to look at rotating objects!



It is fun to study rotating objects!



NUCLEI AT THE EXTREMES:



Increasing Angular Momentum and Excitation Energy:

Excellent way to investigate nuclear structure. Remember these studies are ultra-sensitive to what the intruder shells are doing!

ON THE
TRANSMUTATION OF ATOMIC NUCLEI
BY IMPACT OF MATERIAL PARTICLES

I. GENERAL THEORETICAL REMARKS

BY

N. BOHR AND F. KALCKAR

Mathematisk-fysiske Meddelelser XIV, 10 1937

We must in fact assume that any orbital momentum is shared by all the constituent particles of the nucleus in a way which resembles that of the rotation of a solid body. Denoting by J the moment of inertia, we obtain

MAY 15, 1938

PHYSICAL REVIEW

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On the Rotation of the Atomic Nucleus

E. TELLER, *George Washington University, Washington, D. C.*

AND

J. A. WHEELER, *University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N. C.*

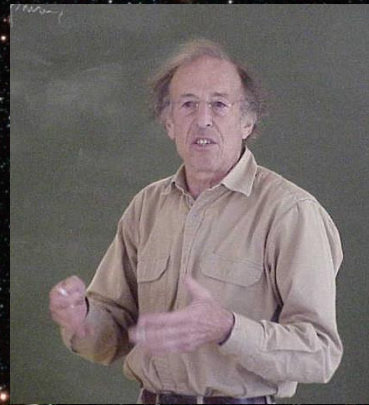
(Received March 23, 1938)

Rotational States in Even-Even Nuclei

AAGE BOHR AND BEN R. MOTTELSON*

Institute for Theoretical Physics, Copenhagen, Denmark

$$E_I = \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mathcal{I}} I(I+1), \quad I=0, 2, 4, 6, \quad \text{even parity} \quad (1)$$



Bohr and Mottelson (with Rainwater) were awarded the 1975 Nobel Prize for connecting the single-particle and collective aspects of nuclear behavior into a consistent framework.

Dudek's Aladdin's Cave #1!!!

Perhaps the most important archive for
nuclear physics in the world!
Simply Amazing!

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Celebrating the 40 year anniversary of the 1975 Nobel Prize to Bohr, Mottelson and Rainwater

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Guest Editor: Jerzy Dudek



- Nearly 140 scientists from all over the world accepted our invitation and we have over 60 articles included in this *Special Celebration Focus Issue!*



Phys. Scr. 91 (2016)

IOP Editor-in-Chief to Dudek

- In comparison with two other focus collections, for a collection on a similar topic, it is 6.5, whereas the average citation for your collection is 32.8.
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Taking this opportunity, we would also like to ask if you are interested in editing another focus collection with Physica Scripta?

Best regards,
Huan (Harley) Wang

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Invited Comment

High resolution gamma-ray spectroscopy and the fascinating angular momentum realm of the atomic nucleus

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In 1974 Aage Bohr and Ben Mottelson predicted the different deformed nuclei as a function of increasing angular momentum up to the fission limit. While admitting their picture was highly stated '...with the ingenious experimental approaches that are forward with excitement to the detailed spectroscopic studies of the spinning quantised nucleus'. High resolution gamma-ray major tool in studying the structure of atomic nuclei and has advances over the last four decades. This article will select high Niels Bohr Institute, Denmark, and Daresbury Laboratory, UK 1980s, some of which have continued at other national laboratories present day. These studies illustrate the remarkable diversity of phenomena and symmetries exhibited by nuclei in the angular momentum–excitation energy plane that continue to surprise and fascinate scientists.

Keywords: Gamma spectroscopy, Detector instrumentation, nuclear structure, collective excitations, single particle excitations, high angular momentum

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Riley, Simpson & Paul, Phys. Scr. 91 (2016) 123002

Some Current Themes in Nuclear Research

A. Bohr

The Niels Bohr Institute, University of Copenhagen, Denmark

B. R. Mottelson

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Received July 3, 1974

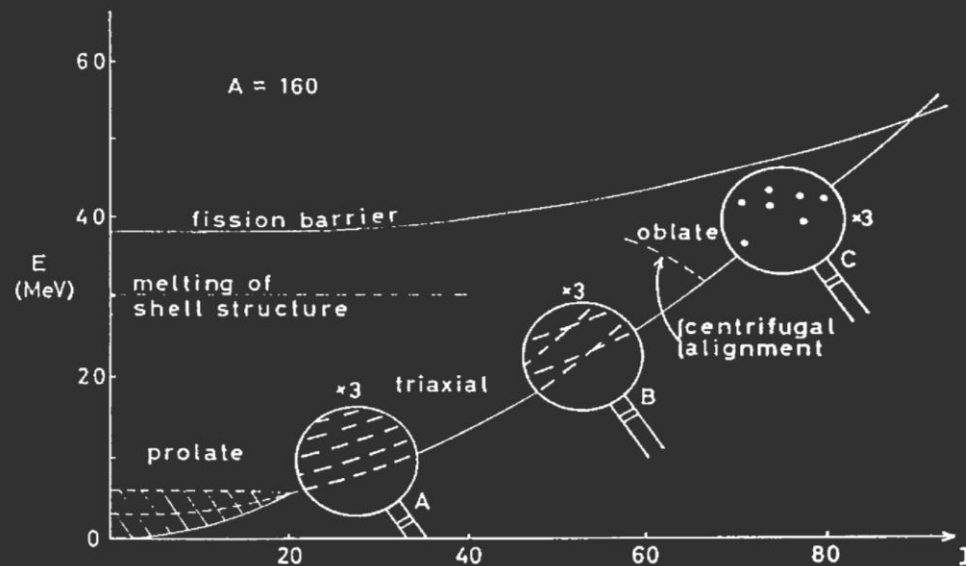
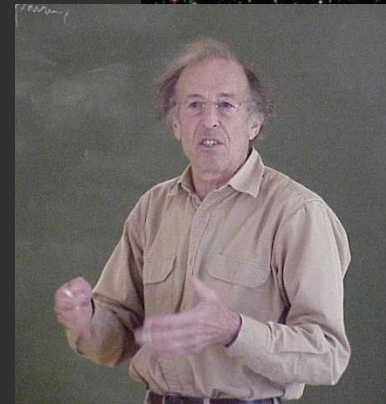
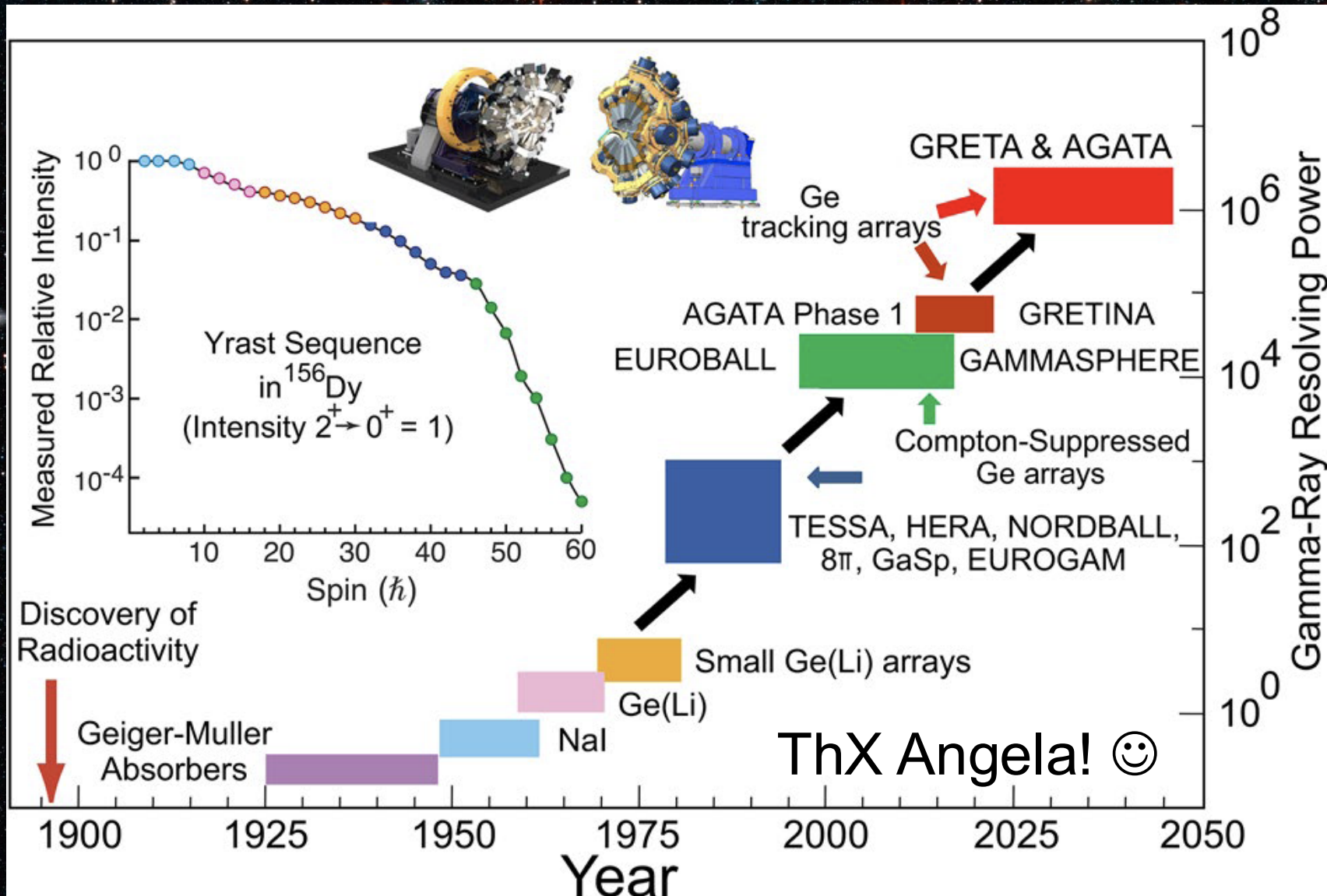


Fig. 11. Nuclear phases as a function of angular momentum and excitation energy (schematic).



The picture sketched in Fig. 11 is admittedly highly conjectural; however, with the ingenious experimental approaches that are being developed, we may look forward with excitement to the detailed spectroscopic studies that will illuminate the behavior of the spinning quantized nucleus.

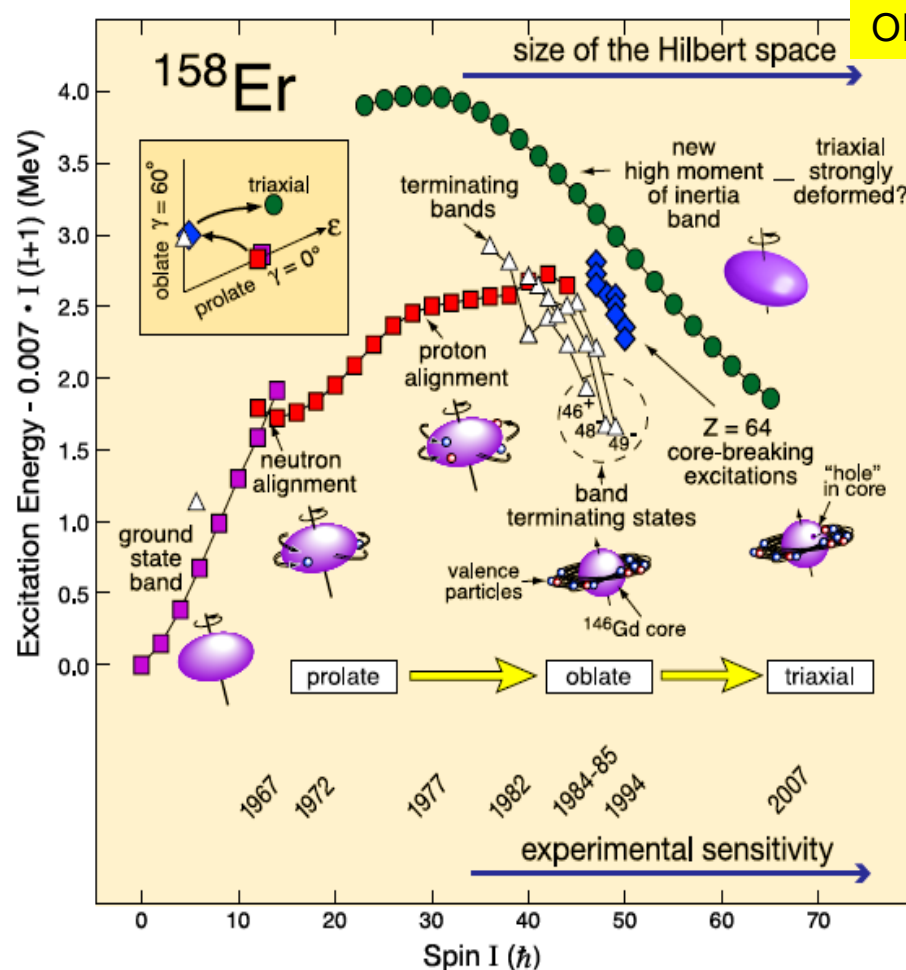


Evolution of detector systems ☺

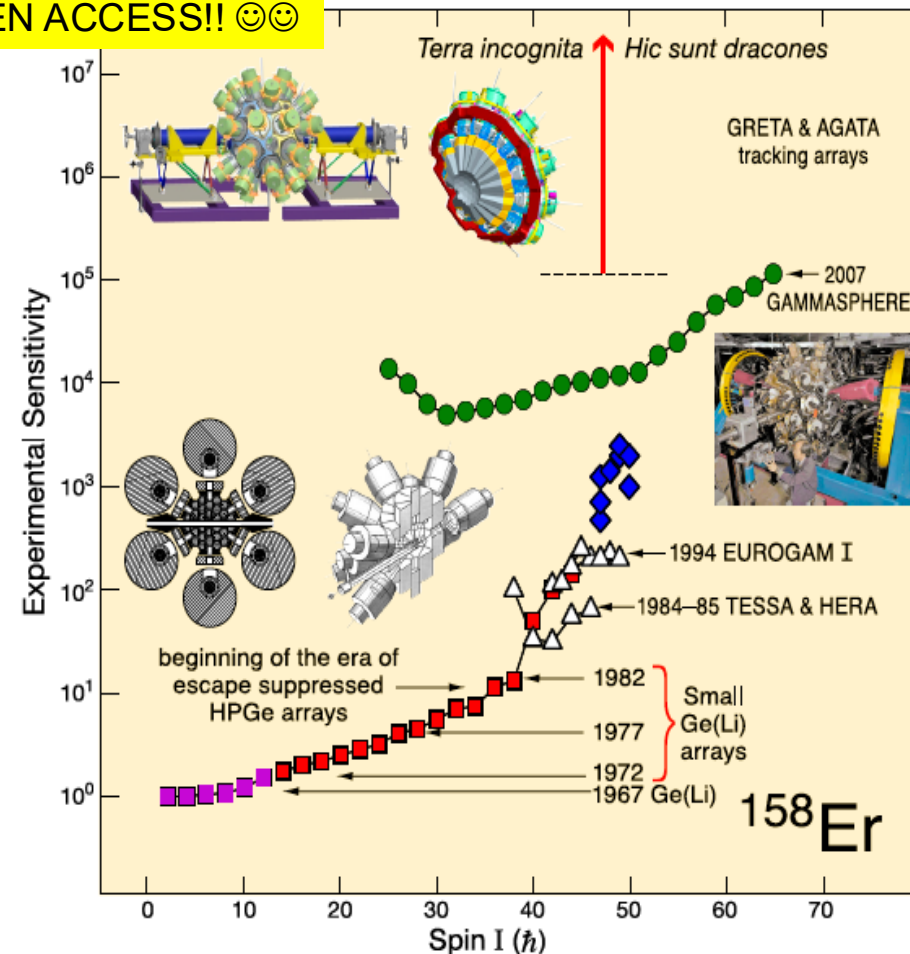
Wyss & Riley, Nuc. Phys. News Vol.32, No.2,2022
(with brilliant help from John Simpson and Augusto Macchiavelli)

Evolution of Gamma-Ray Spectroscopy Through the Decades

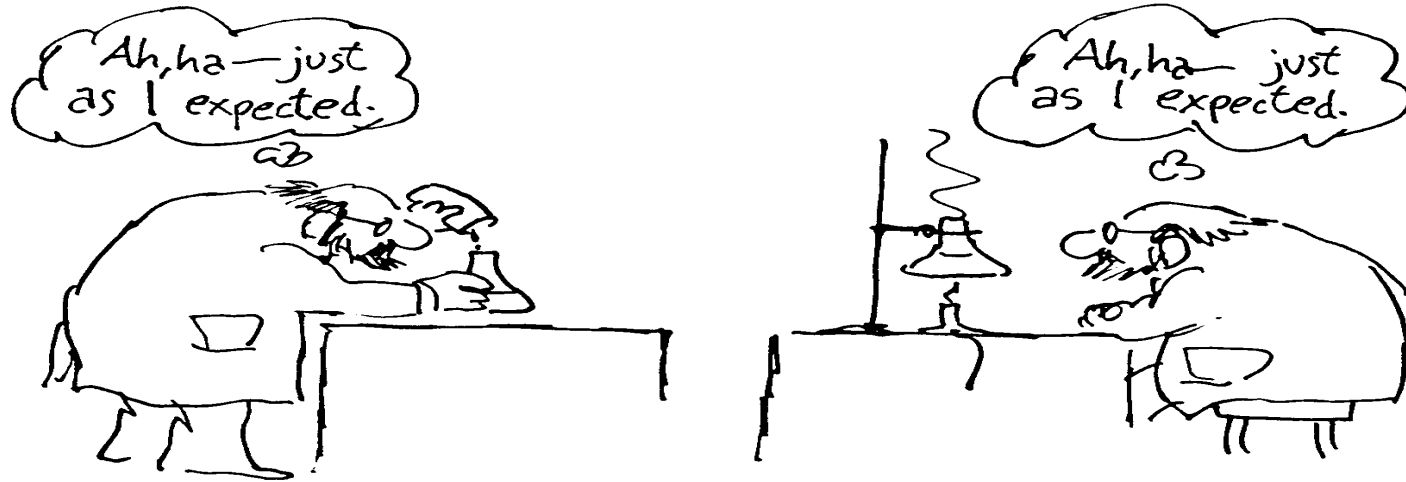
- New Detector Systems $\longleftrightarrow$ New Physics
- Riley, Simpson and Paul, Phys. Scr. 91 (2016)



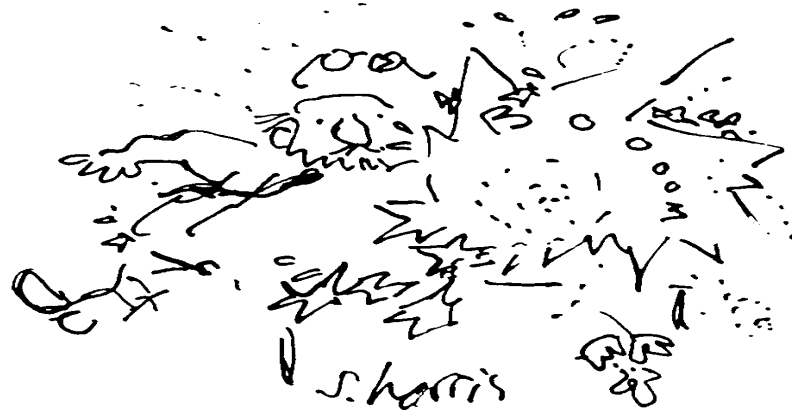
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The Importance of Discovery Potential!



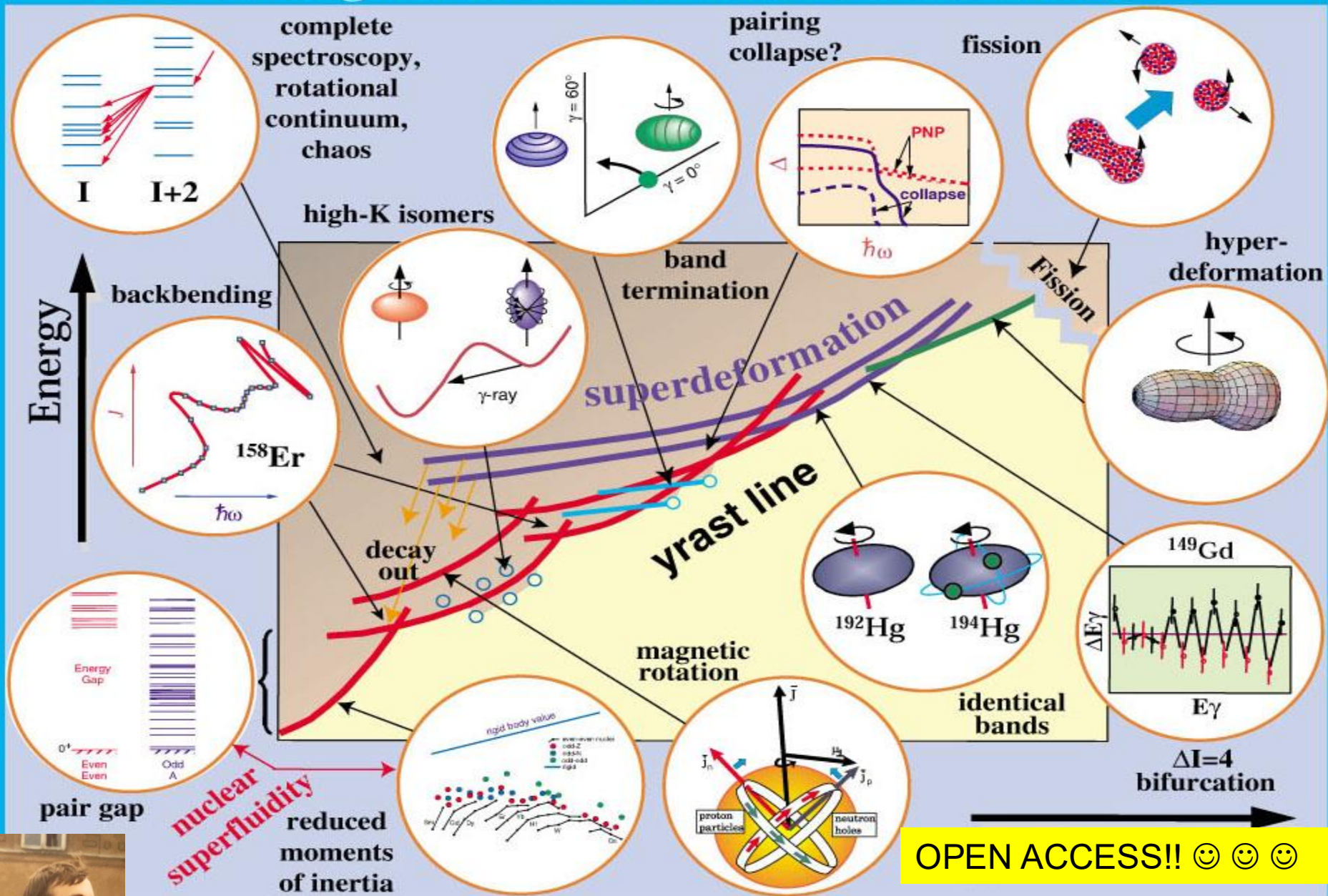
LOT OF THESE MOMENTS!!



Novel instrumentation always forms an explosive “discovery” mixture!

NEW PHYSICS!!!

The Angular Momentum World of the Nucleus



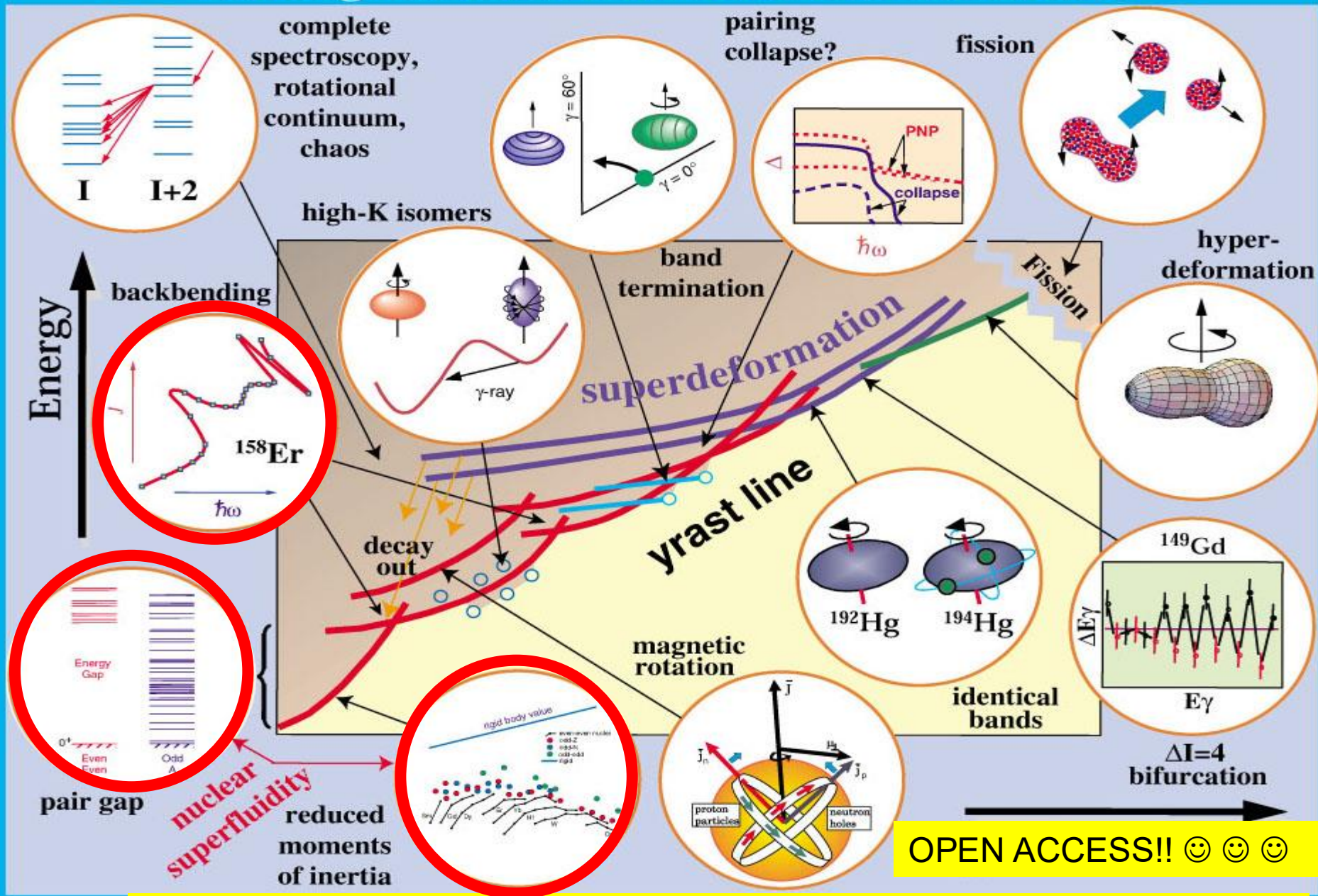
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70's, EXCITING TIMES:

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strong interactions with Lund and
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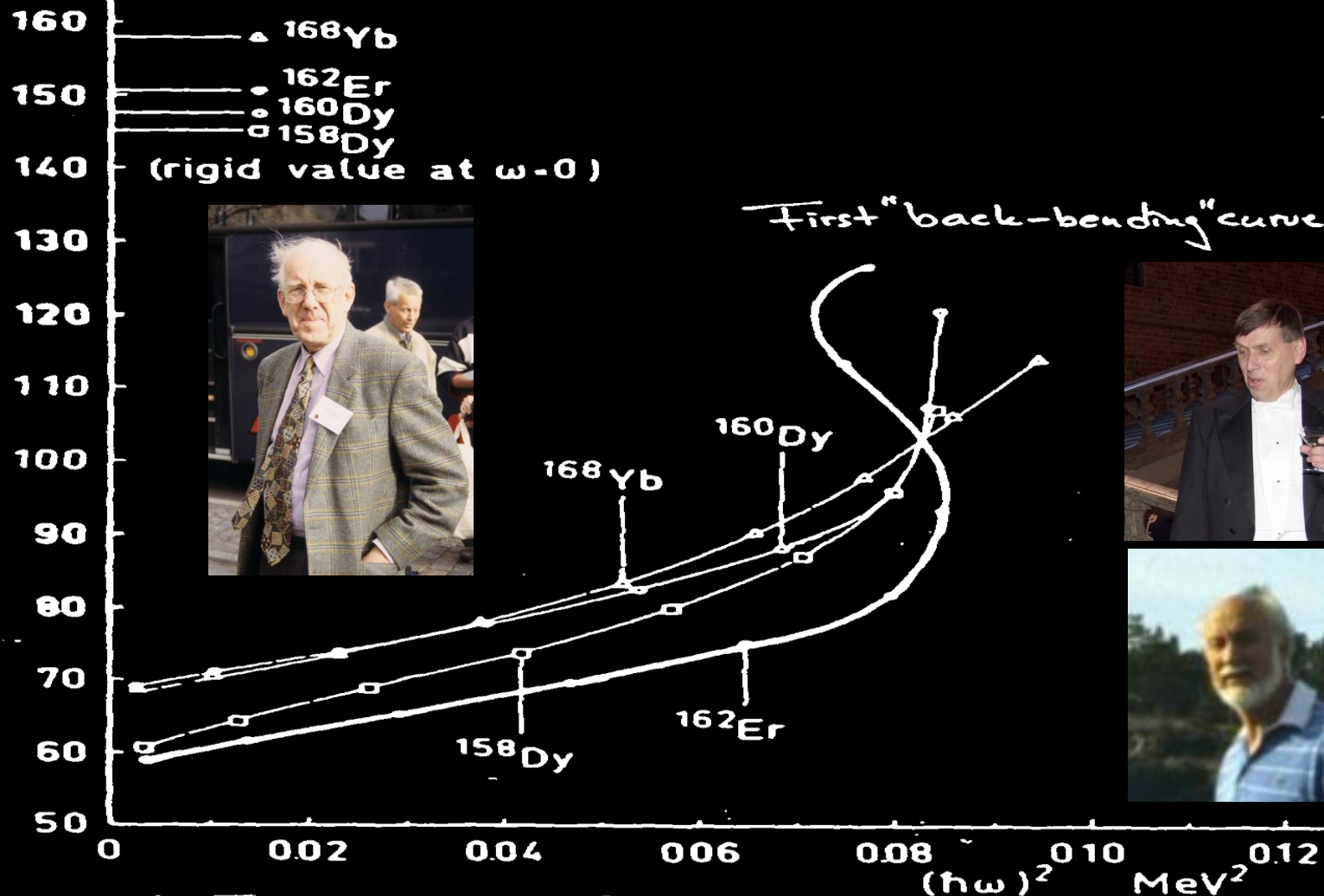


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$$\frac{2J}{\hbar^2}$$

$$1\text{eV}^{-1}$$

MOMENT OF INERTIA FOR ROTATING DEFORMED NUCLEI



A. Johnson, H. Ryde and S.A. Hjorth
 Nuc. Phys. A179 (1972) 753

16 October, 1970

Dear Arne and Hans,

Thank you for the preprint of your note which indeed makes a very exciting story. It appears that you have rather convincing evidence for the occurrence of something quite remarkable for angular momentum values in the region $I \approx 16$; this is exhibited, perhaps, even more dramatically in a plot of the moment of inertia as a function of the rotational frequency (see the enclosed figure). The frequency is defined by the canonical relation appropriate for an axial symmetric rotor

$$\omega = \frac{dE}{dI(I+1)}$$

or

$$\omega^2 = 4 I(I+1) \left(\frac{dE}{dI(I+1)} \right)^2$$

In the last expression, the energy derivative is taken from the observed transition energies

$$\left(\frac{dE}{dI(I+1)} \right)_{I(I+1) \approx I_1^2 - I_1 + 1} = \frac{E(I_1) - E(I_1 - 2)}{4I_1 - 2}$$

The moment of inertia is also defined in terms of the derivative of the observed energy

$$\frac{2\mathcal{J}}{\hbar^2} = \left(\frac{dE}{dI(I+1)} \right)^{-1}$$

Another interesting feature of your data concerns the value of $\mathcal{J}$ at the singular point. If the pairing correlation were to completely disappear, one would expect $\mathcal{J} = \mathcal{J}_{\text{rig}}$. However, since the transition frequency for neutrons and protons may be quite

$$\omega \approx \frac{1}{2} (I_1(I_1+1) + (I_1-2)(I_1-1))$$

different, the value of $\mathcal{J}$ is likely to be somewhat below $\mathcal{J}_{\text{rig}}$ after the first transition.

We send our compliments and best wishes for continued successful hunting in this exciting field.

A. Bohr
 A. Bohr

B. Mottelson
 B. Mottelson



Ben and Aage
 in 1970

CORIOLIS EFFECTS IN THE YRAST STATES

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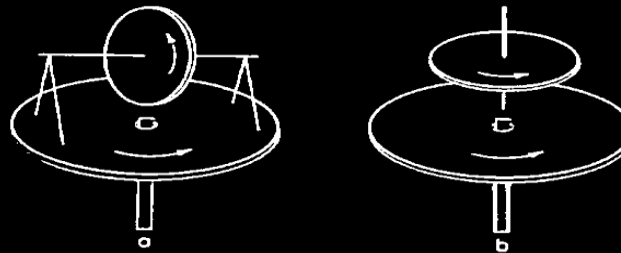
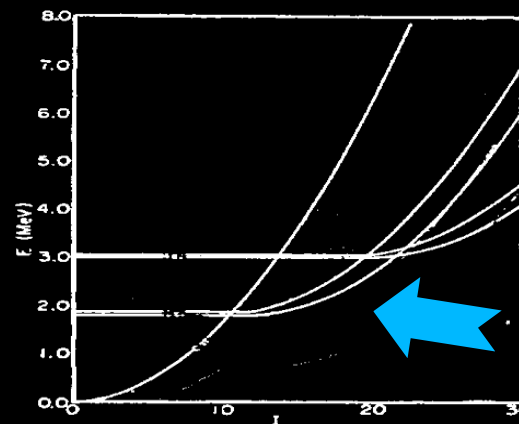


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Stockholm Band

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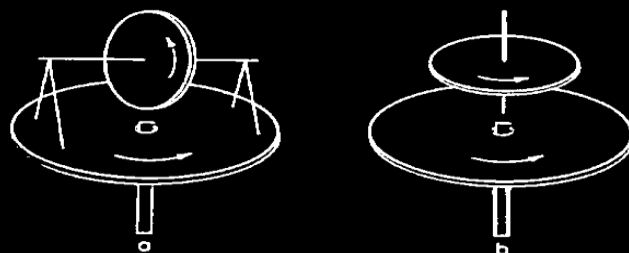


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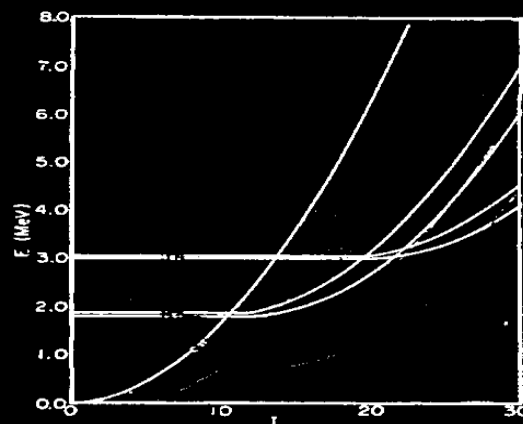
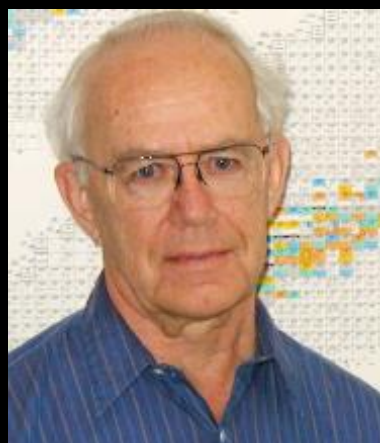
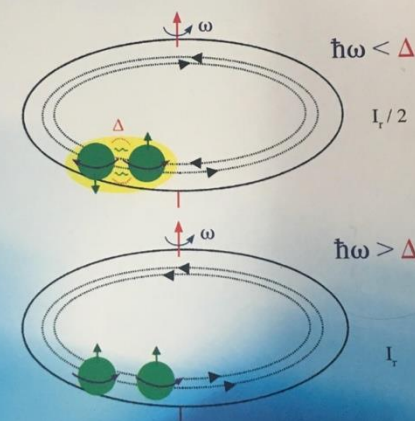


Fig. 6. Excitation energy versus angular momentum for a doubly even rotation

Fifty Years of Nuclear BCS

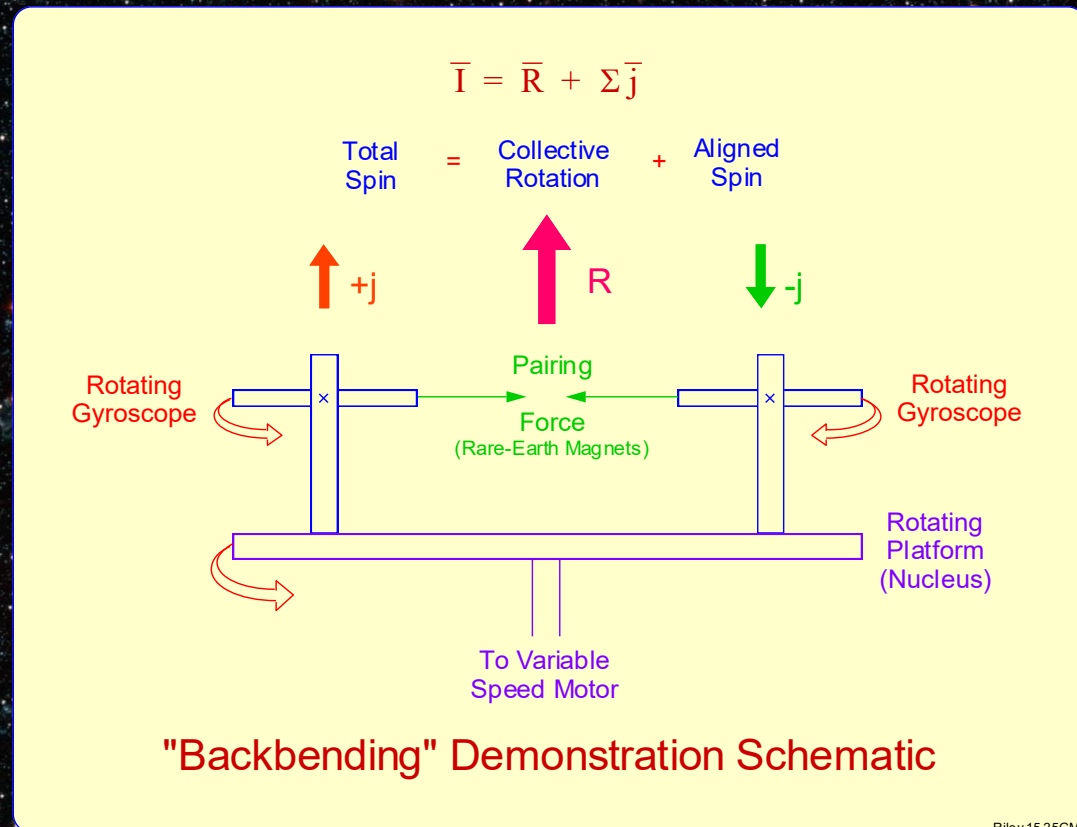
Pairing in Finite Systems



Ricardo A Broglia
Vladimir Zelevinsky

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The Backbender at NBI in 1997 with Arne.



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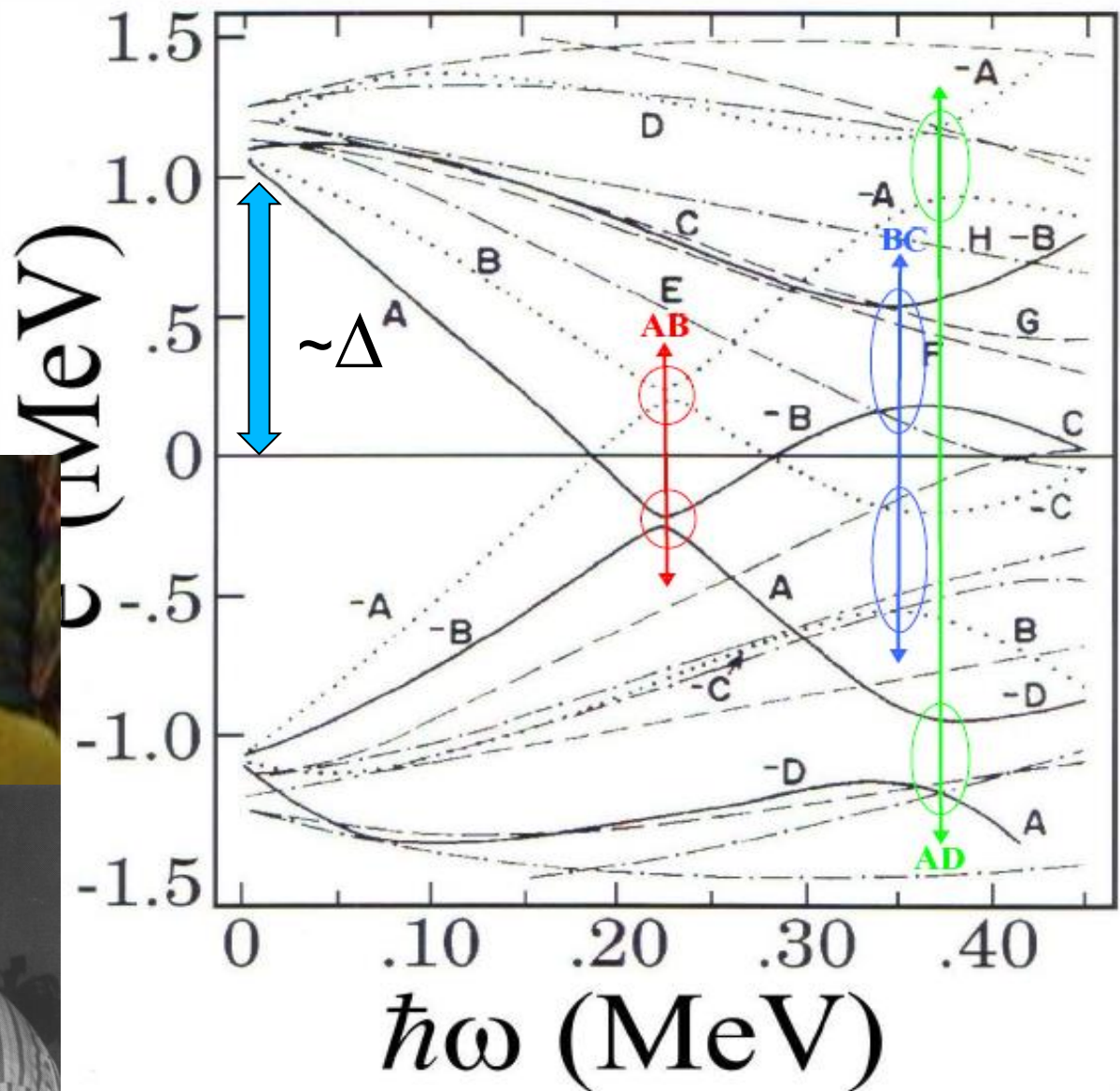
Fig. 14: A short movie about backbending or rotational alignment in nuclei [77] can be downloaded and viewed at <http://www.physics.fsu.edu/TheBackBender/> [78]. It con-

Cranked Shell Model Quasi-particle diagram or Spagetti plot!

To understand
BACKBENDING!

Bengtsson and
Frauendorf also
Dudek and
Nazarewicz:

Lund, Rossendorf,
Warsaw, NBI



AI* Dudek at Daresbury for first time 1984 😊

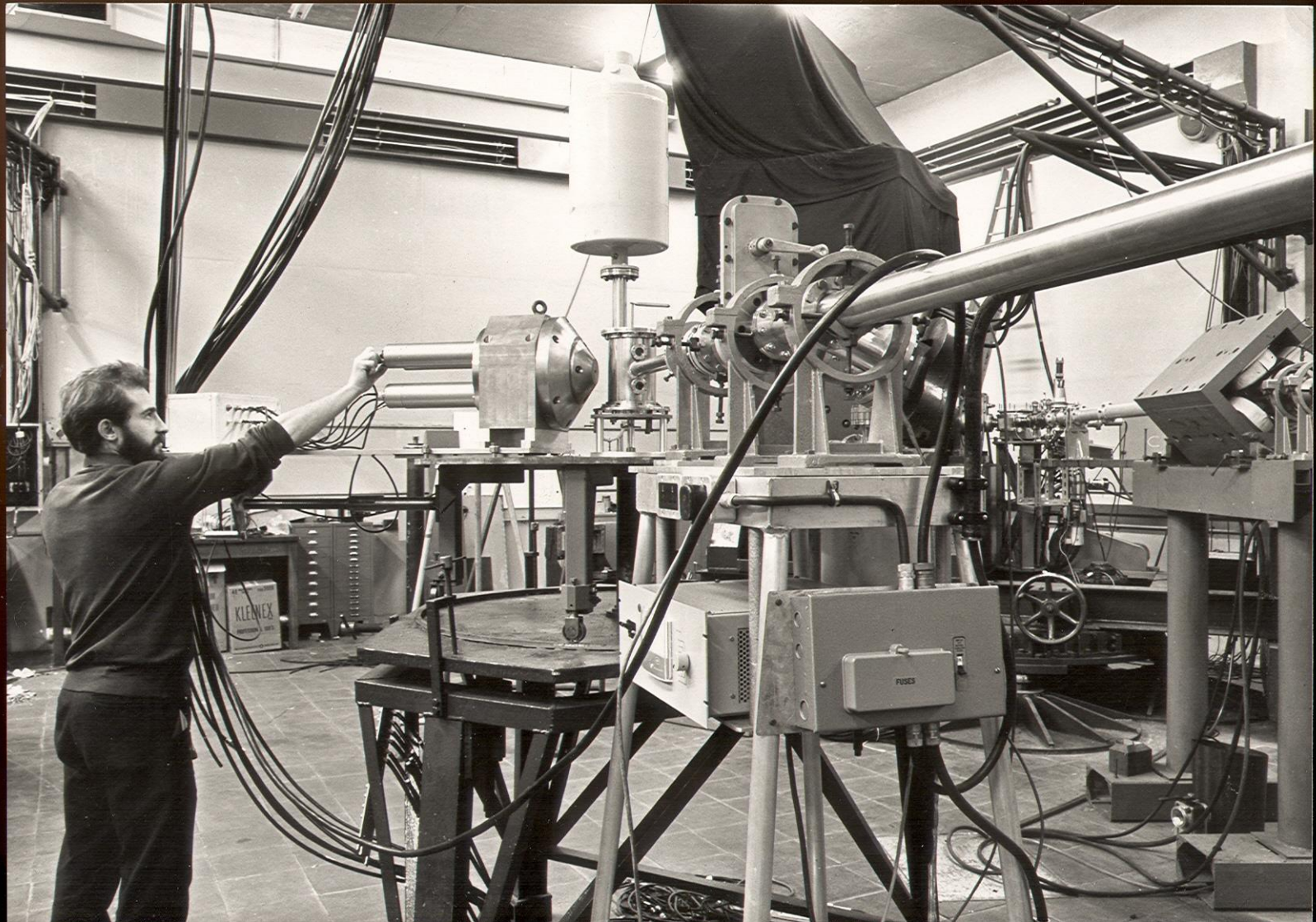
In **1984**, prominent Polish theoretical nuclear physicist **Jerzy Dudek** spent time as a visiting scientist collaborating with experimentalists at the **Nuclear Structure Facility (NSF)**

His visit coincided with a landmark period in nuclear physics history:

This collaborative bridge in 1984 between Dudek's structural calculations and Daresbury's high-resolution gamma-ray spectroscopy is **widely recognized** as a **foundational moment** that kicked off the global race to study superdeformed nuclei throughout the late 1980s.



Start of a Revolution: Late 70's early 80's First Escape Suppressed Spectrometer at Liverpool



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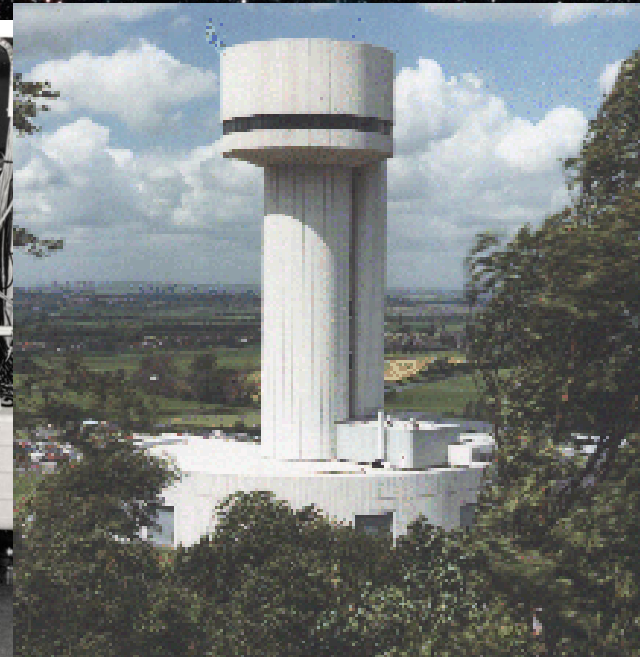
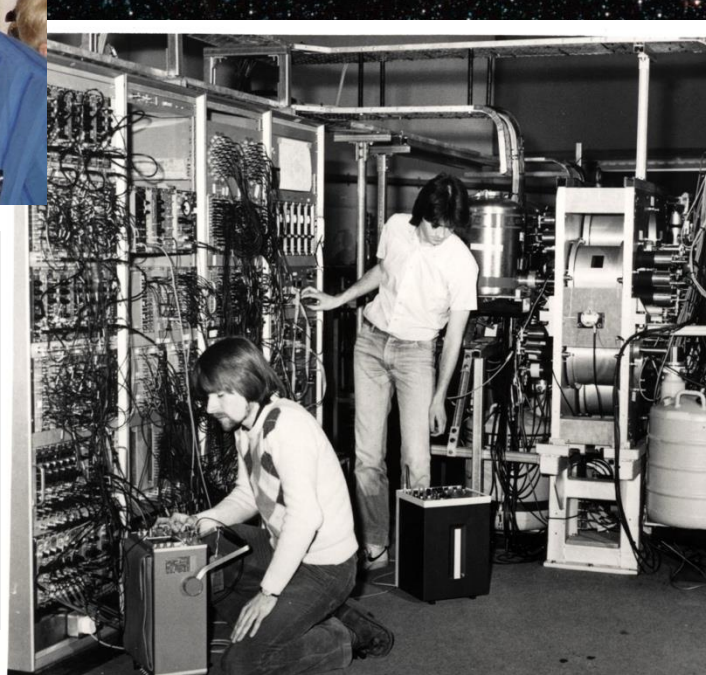
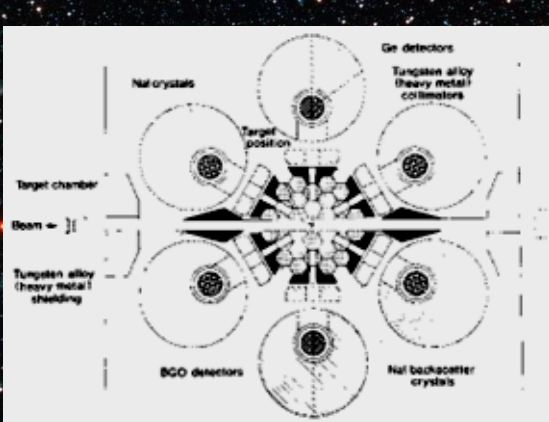
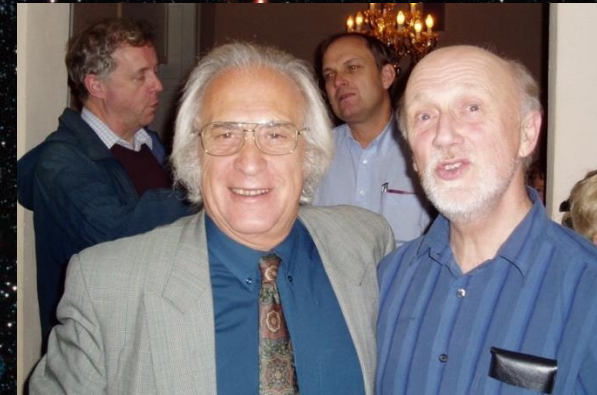
First experiments at Daresbury, Er-158 and Dy-152, proposed Sharpey-Schafer and Twin

1983 (Liverpool + NBI)

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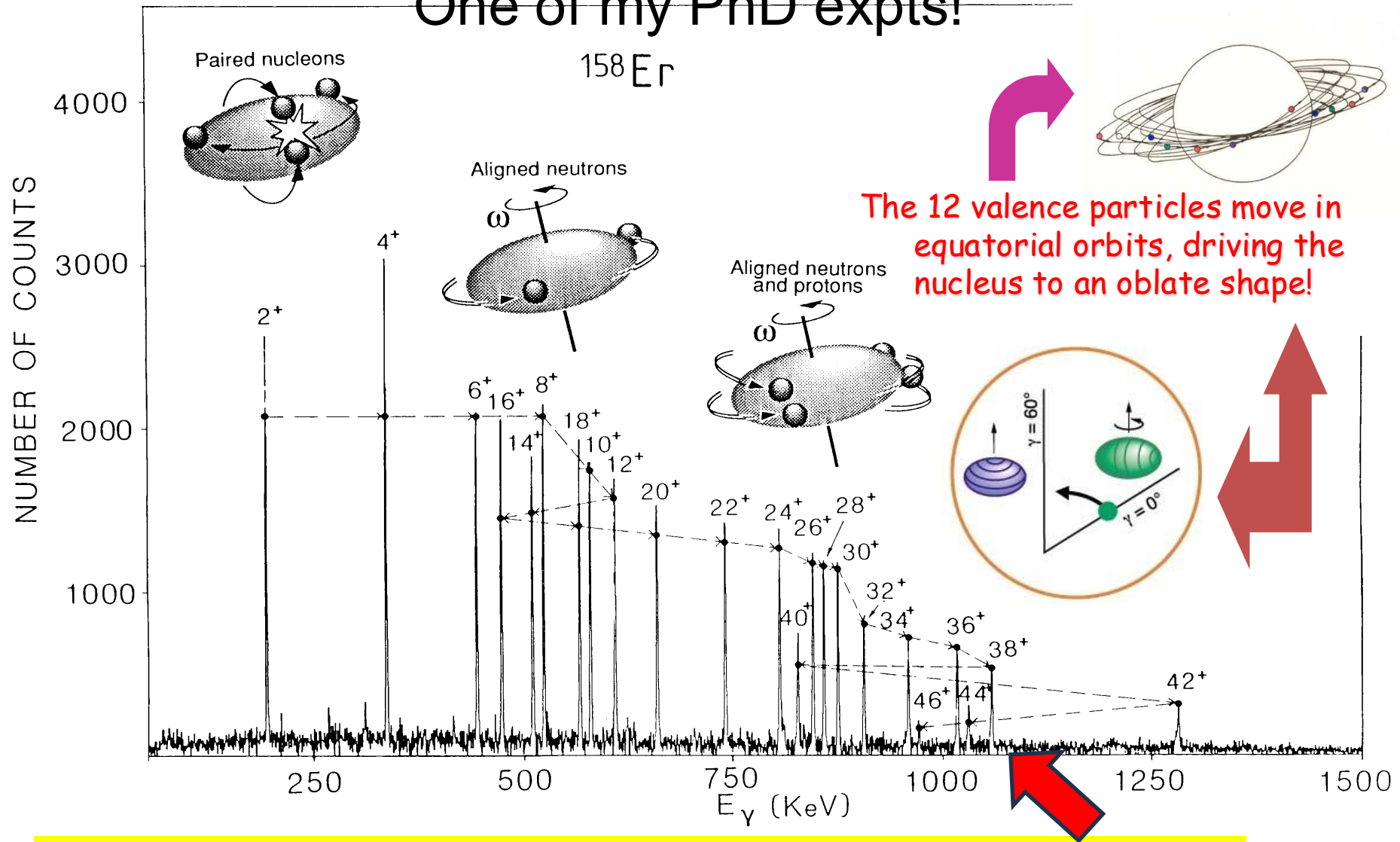
6 ESS + 50 element BGO ball

Plus a ^{48}Ca beam!



^{158}Er expt at Daresbury - Sharpey-Schafer et al - Mid-80's

One of my PhD expts!



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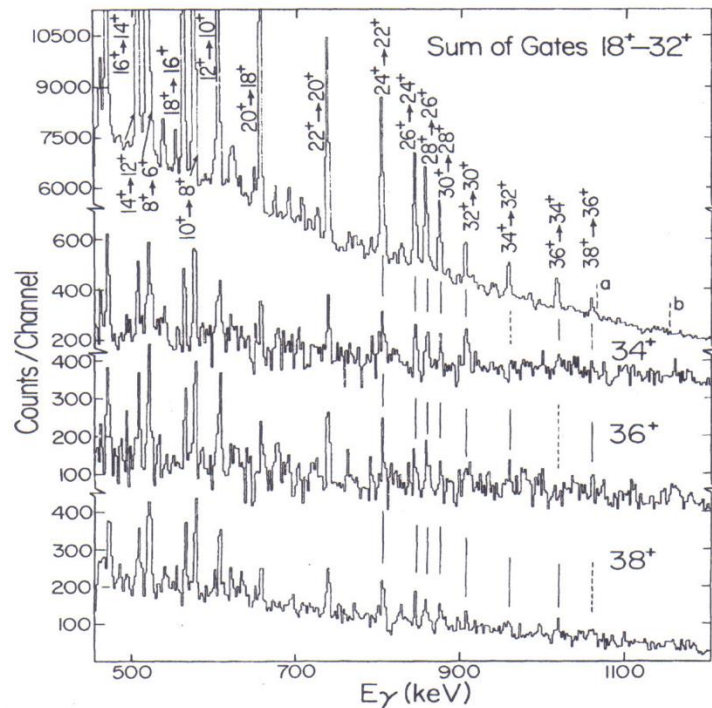
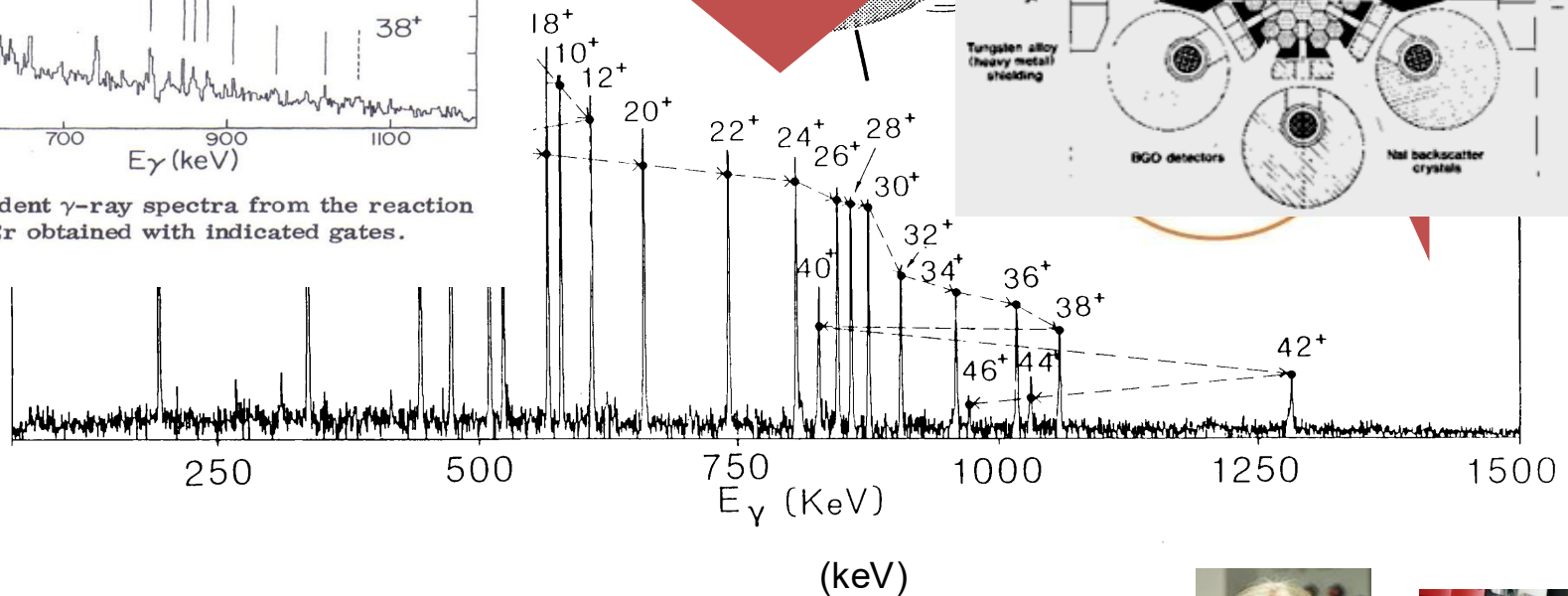
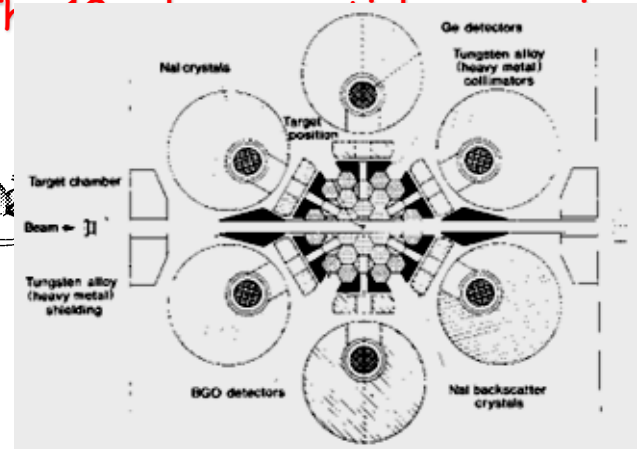


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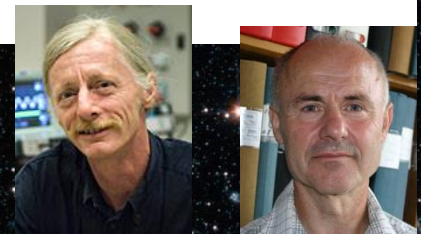


^{158}Er

The Compton
Suppression Revolution!!!



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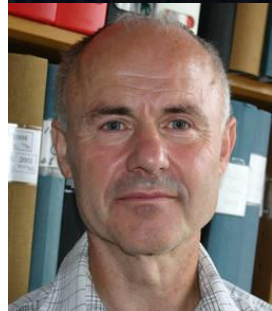
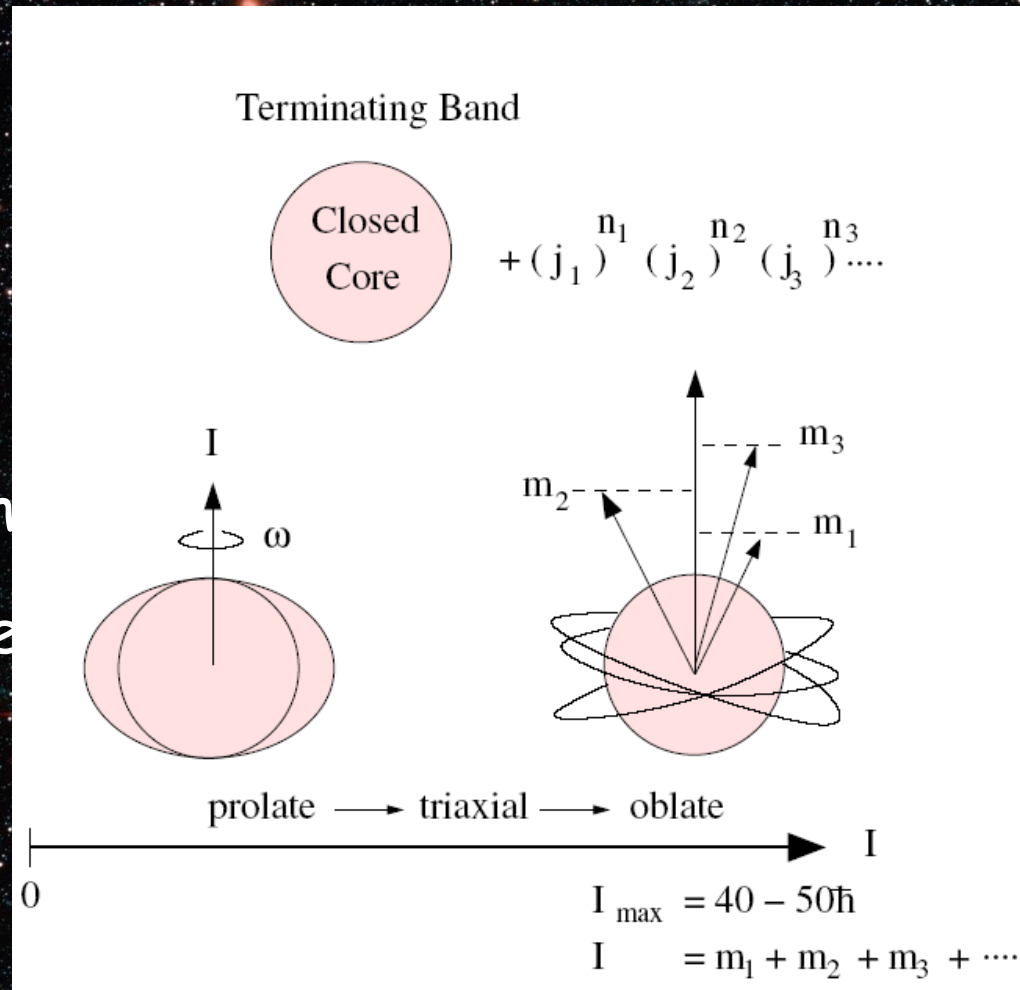


1980's Band Termination near $N = 90$

Band termination occurs when the valence nucleons outside ^{146}Gd core are fully aligned with the axis of rotation.

In these rare-earth nuclei a prolate to oblate shape change occurs.

Beautiful work at ANL with ^{154}Dy
ORNL too on ^{158}Yb
and LBL on $^{156,158}\text{Er}$.



T. Bengtsson and I. Ragnarsson, *Physica Scripta* T5 (1983) 165

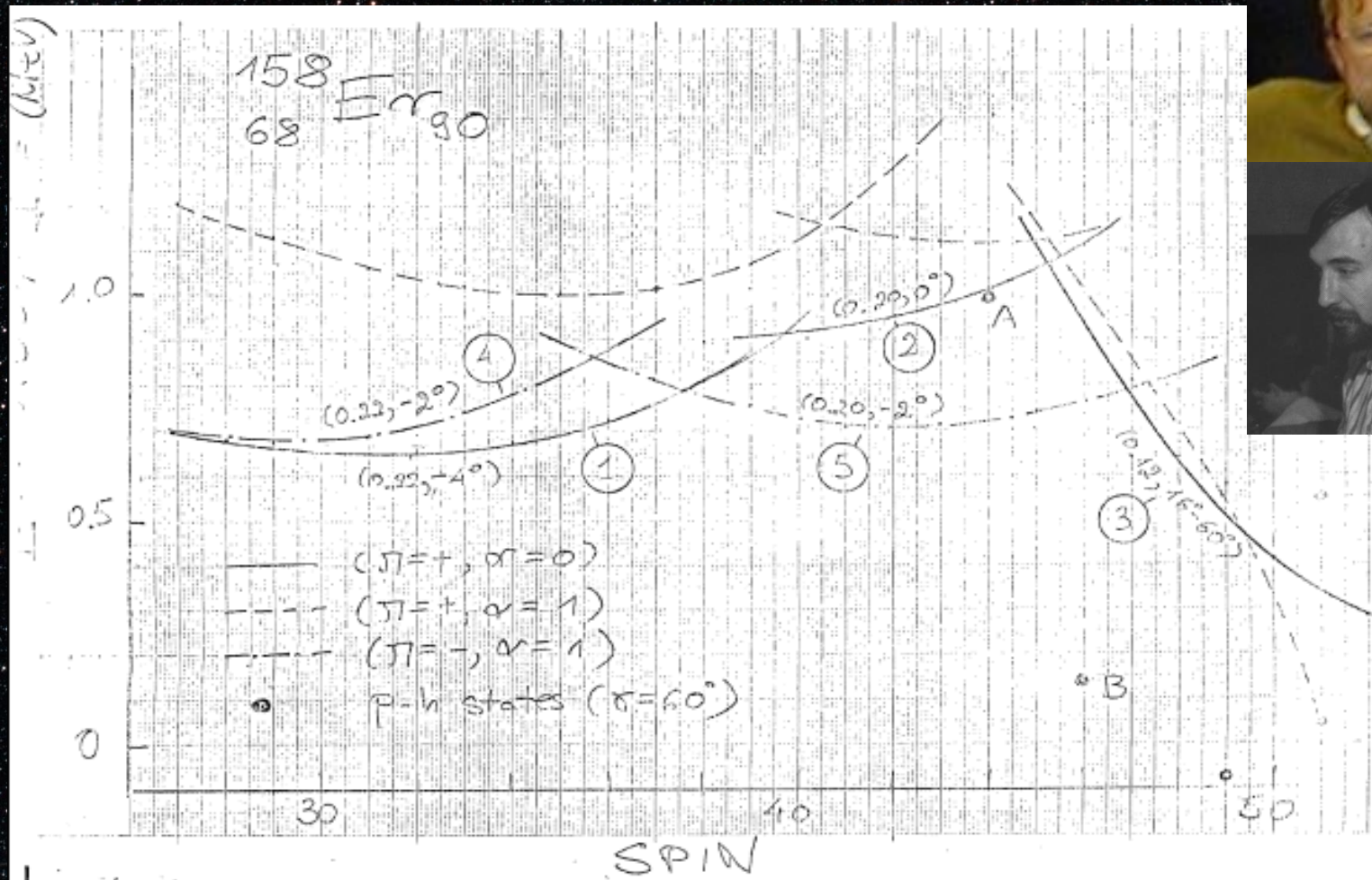
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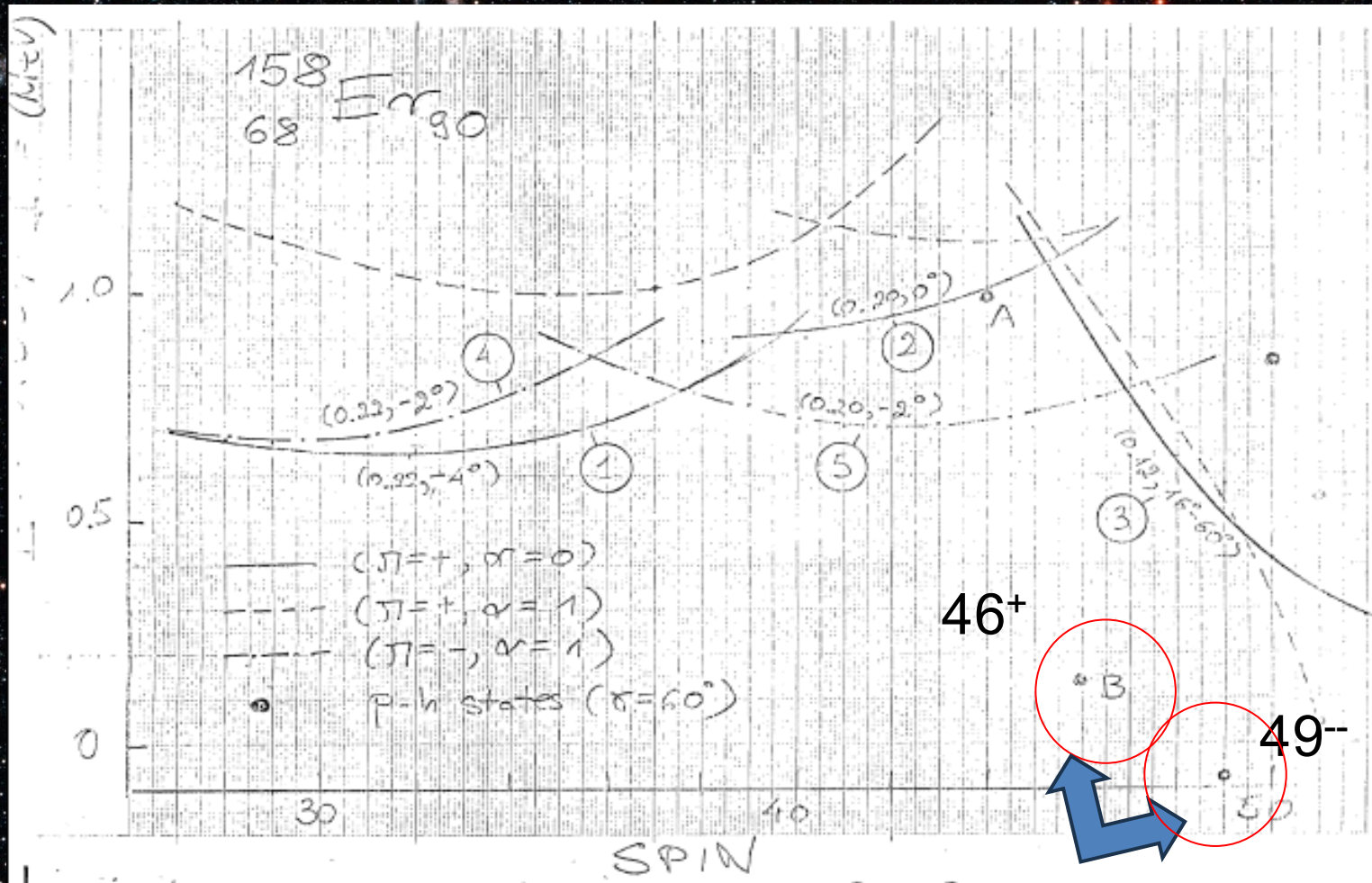
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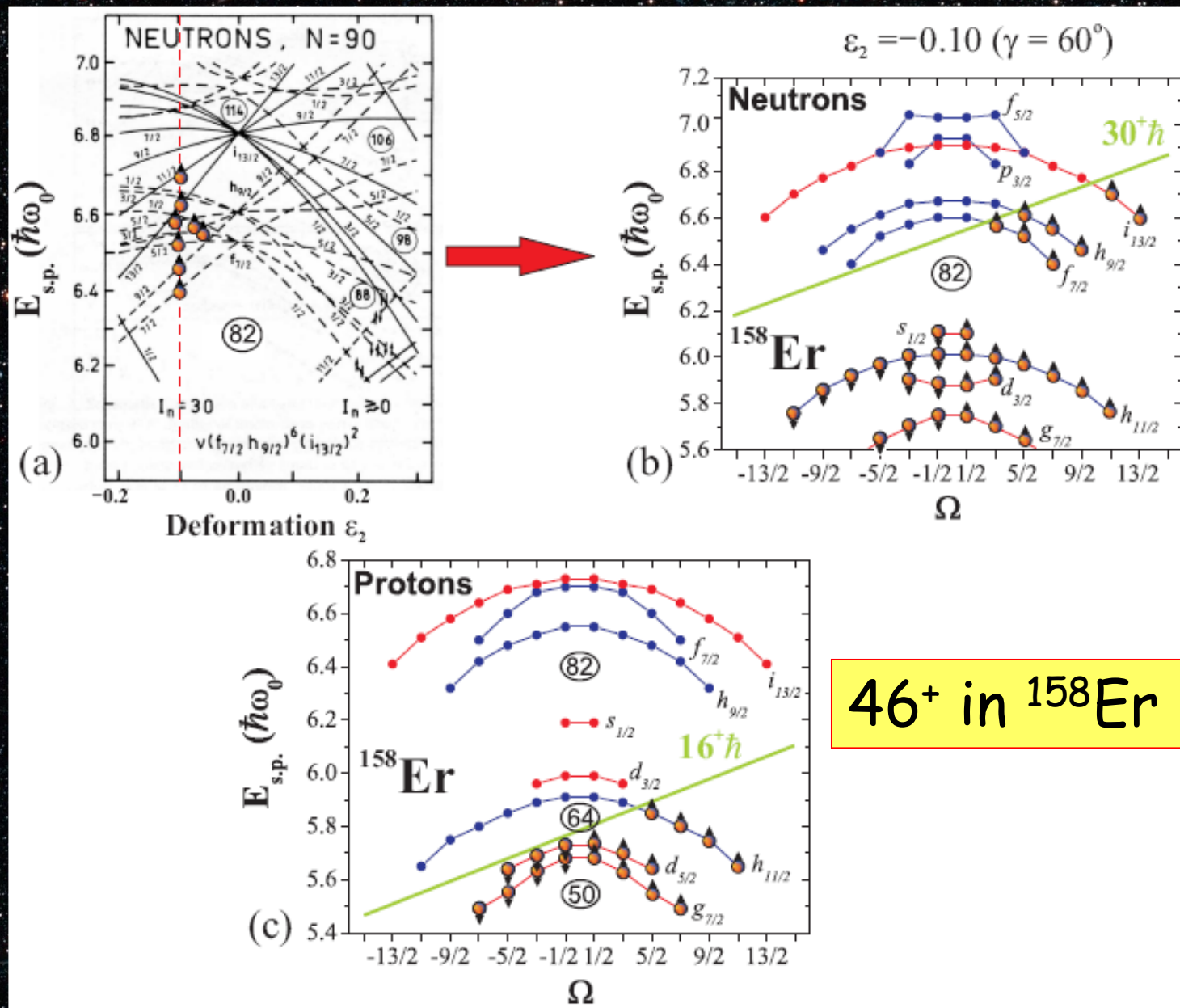
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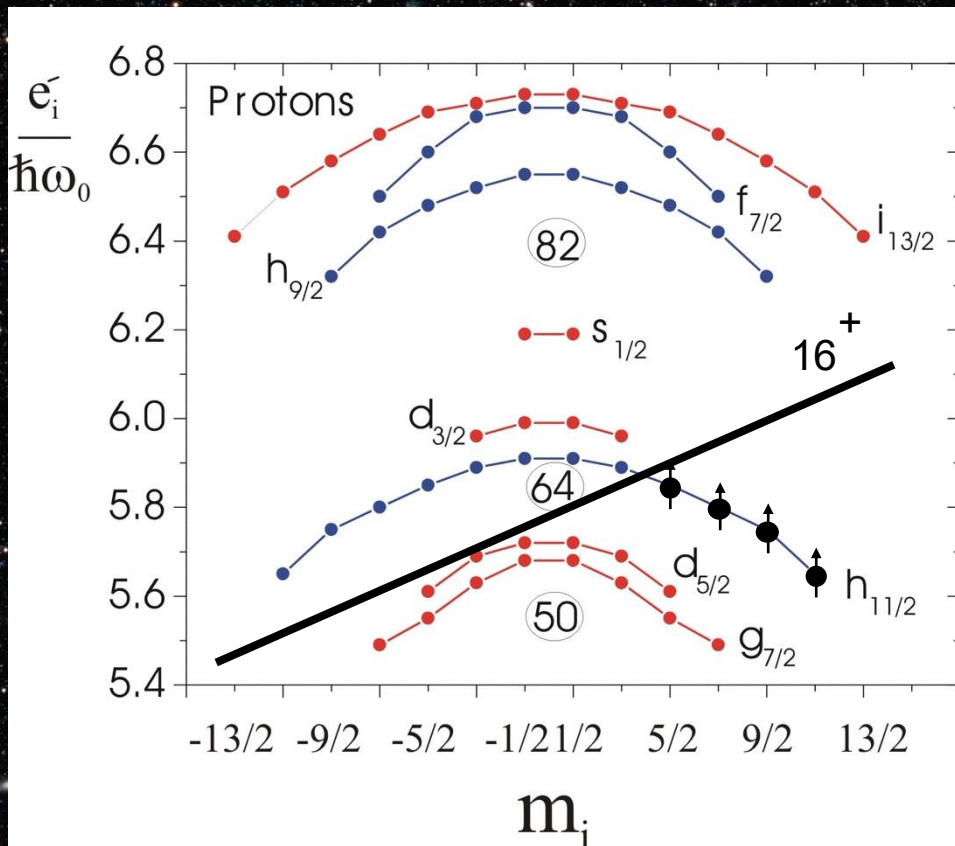
¹⁵⁸Er: Filled orbitals relative to ¹⁴⁶Gd core.

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		$h_{9/2}$	$h_{9/2}$
		$f_{7/2}$	$f_{7/2}$
$s_{1/2}$	_____		
$d_{3/2}$	_____		
$h_{11/2}$	-----●●●●----- (64)	(82)	(82)
$d_{5/2}$	_____	$h_{11/2}$	$h_{11/2}$
$g_{7/2}$	_____	$d_{3/2}$	$d_{3/2}$
		$s_{1/2}$	$s_{1/2}$
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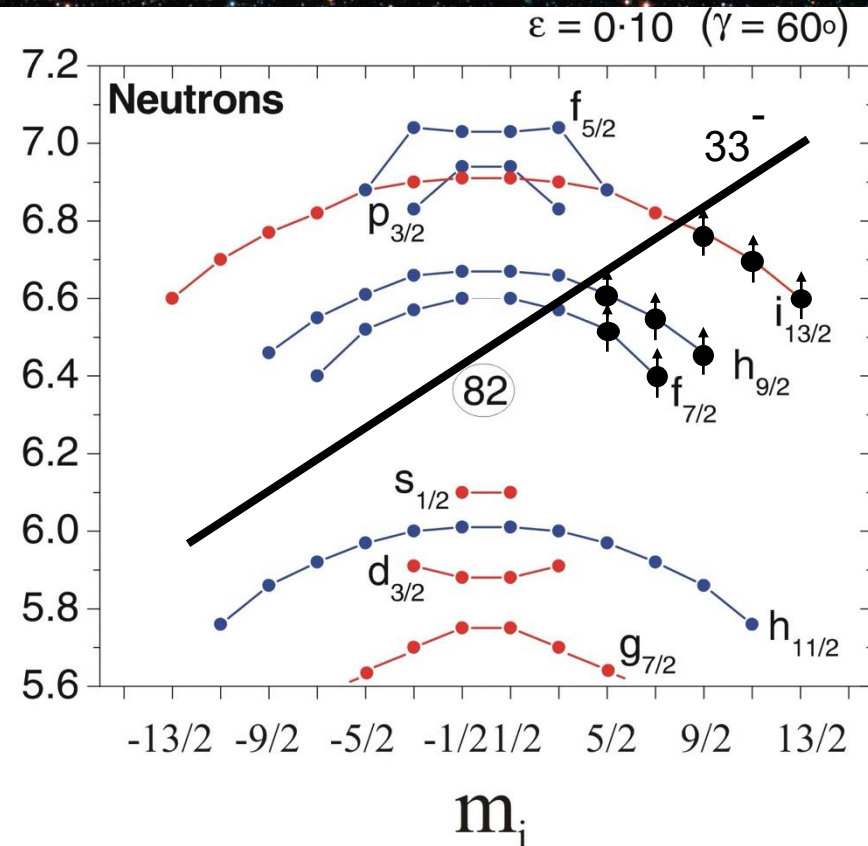
Titled Fermi Surfaces – Used to great effect in late 70's by Dudek and Warsaw/Lund collaboration group in explaining high spin yrast traps in rare-earth nuclei



Favored BT States and the Tilted Fermi Surface Method. Predicted Negative parity states. e.g. $49^- (-,1)$

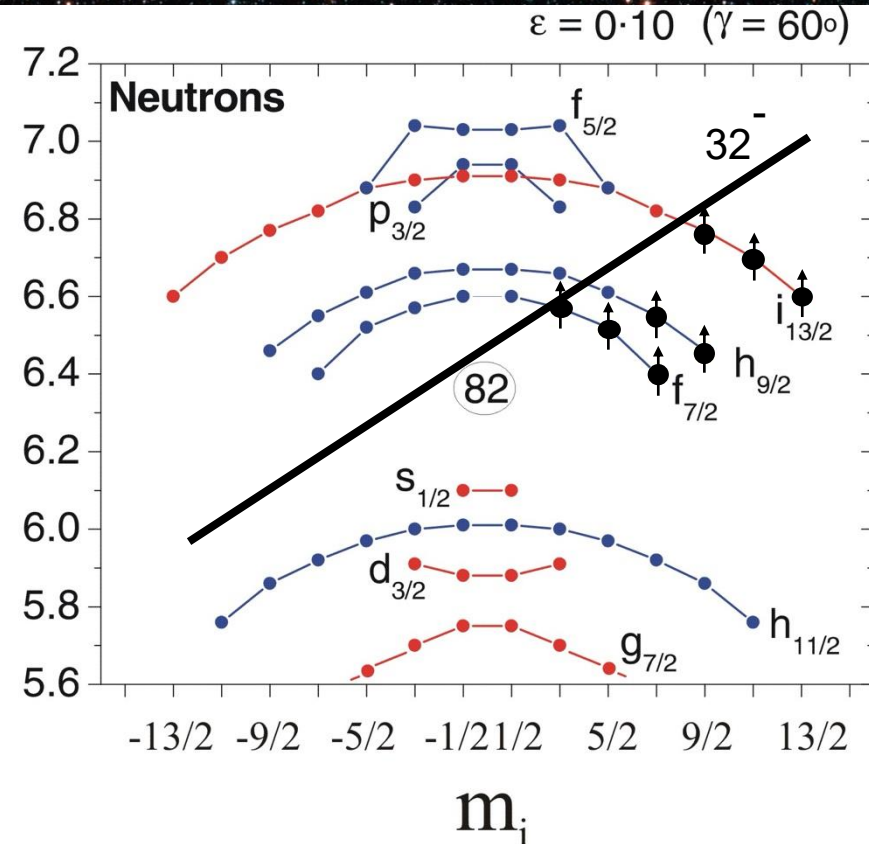
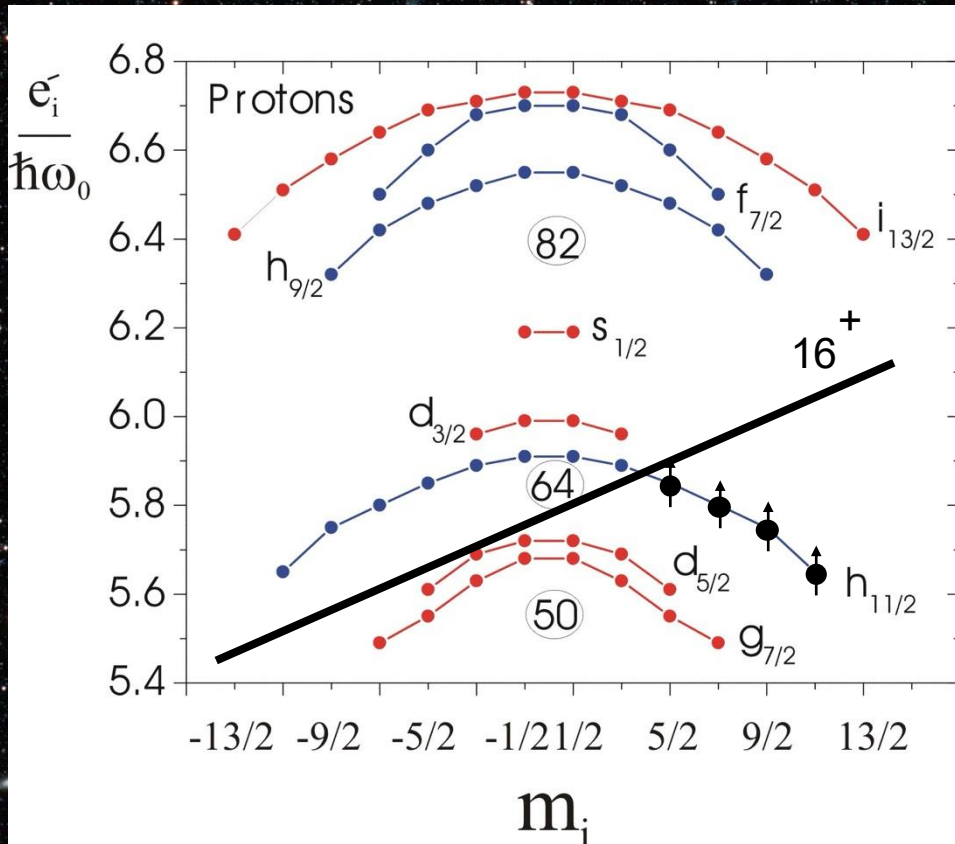


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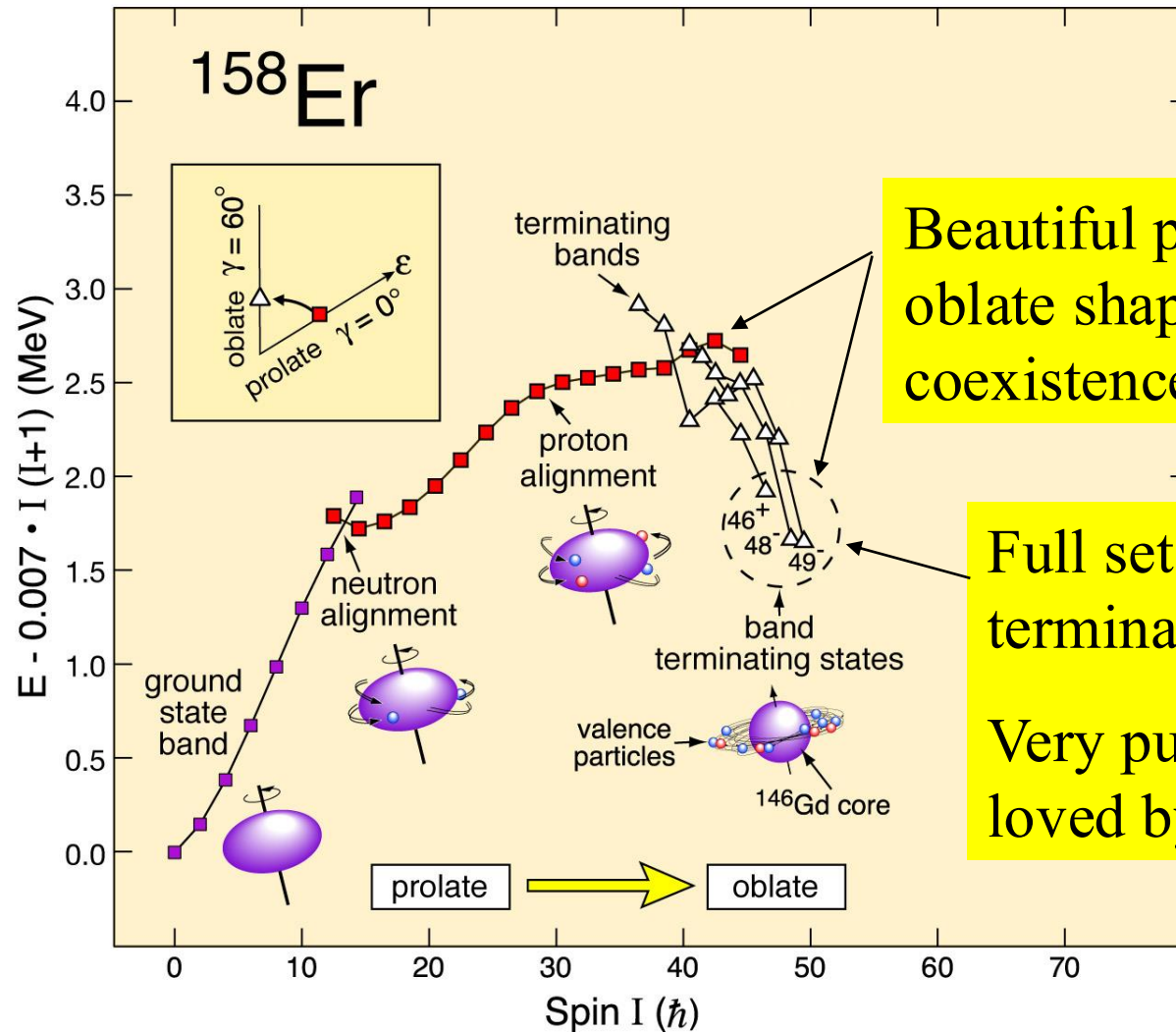
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10 years later (1994)

- ^{158}Er again at Daresbury but now with EUROGAM (37 ESS)

Simpson, Riley, JFSS et al., Phys. Lett. B327 (1994) 187



Beautiful prolate –
oblate shape
coexistence

Full set of favored
terminations!

Very pure states –
loved by theorists

Warsaw Group and K Conservation and Selection Rule ☺

Dudek or Jurek

Witek

Jacek

Marek

Wojtek

While at Daresbury (84/85), Dudek
(and Nazarewicz in Lund) created
seminal systematic predictions of
high-spin shape evolution of rare-
earth nuclei

Shape evolution in the transitional gadolinium, dysprosium, erbium, and ytterbium nuclei

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W. Nazarewicz*

Department of Mathematical Physics, Lund Institute of Technology S-22007

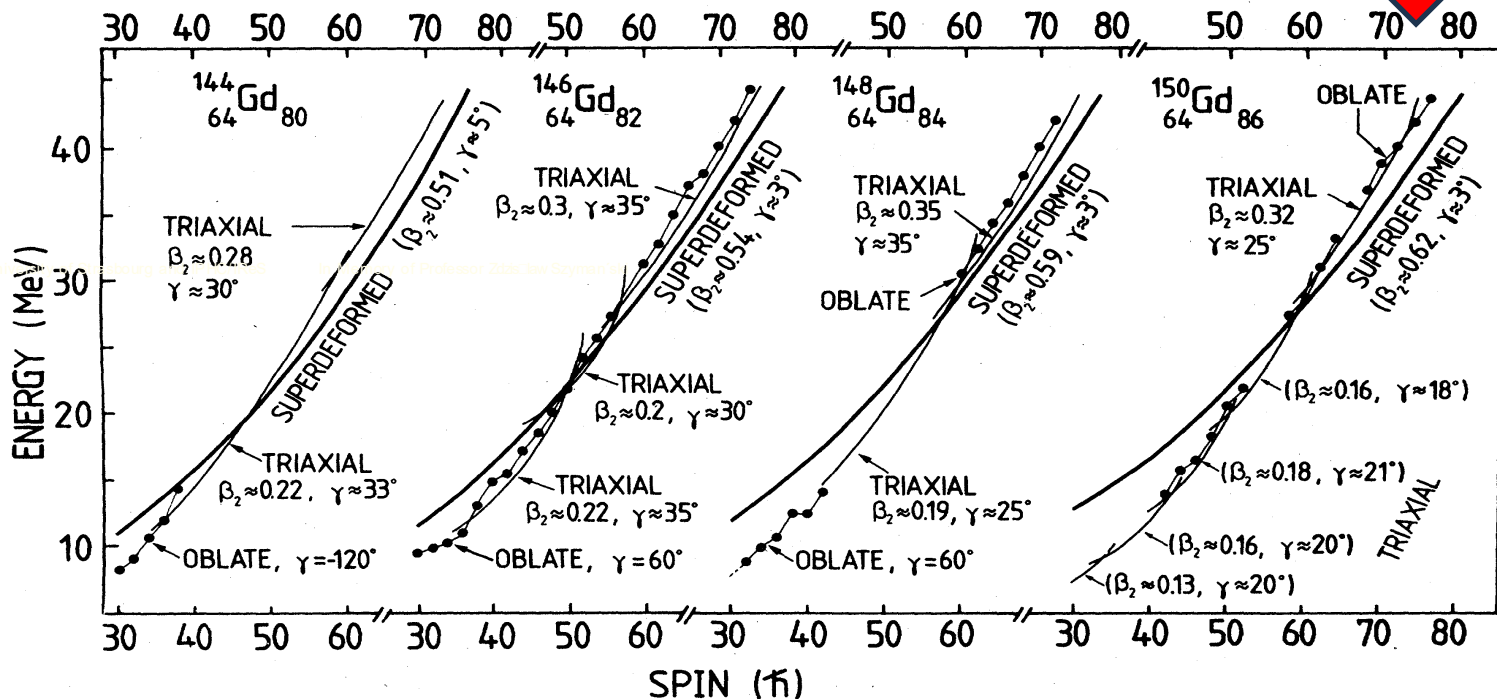
Lund, Sweden

(Received 25 June 1984)

Shape evolution in $I \geq 30$ $\hbar$ high-spin states of $^{144-150}\text{Gd}$, $^{150-156}\text{Dy}$, $^{152-158}\text{Er}$ and $^{154-160}\text{Yb}$ is predicted theoretically within the cranking approximation using the generalised Strutinsky method. A comparison with available experimental data is provided.



Idea for Paul Fallon's
thesis expt in late
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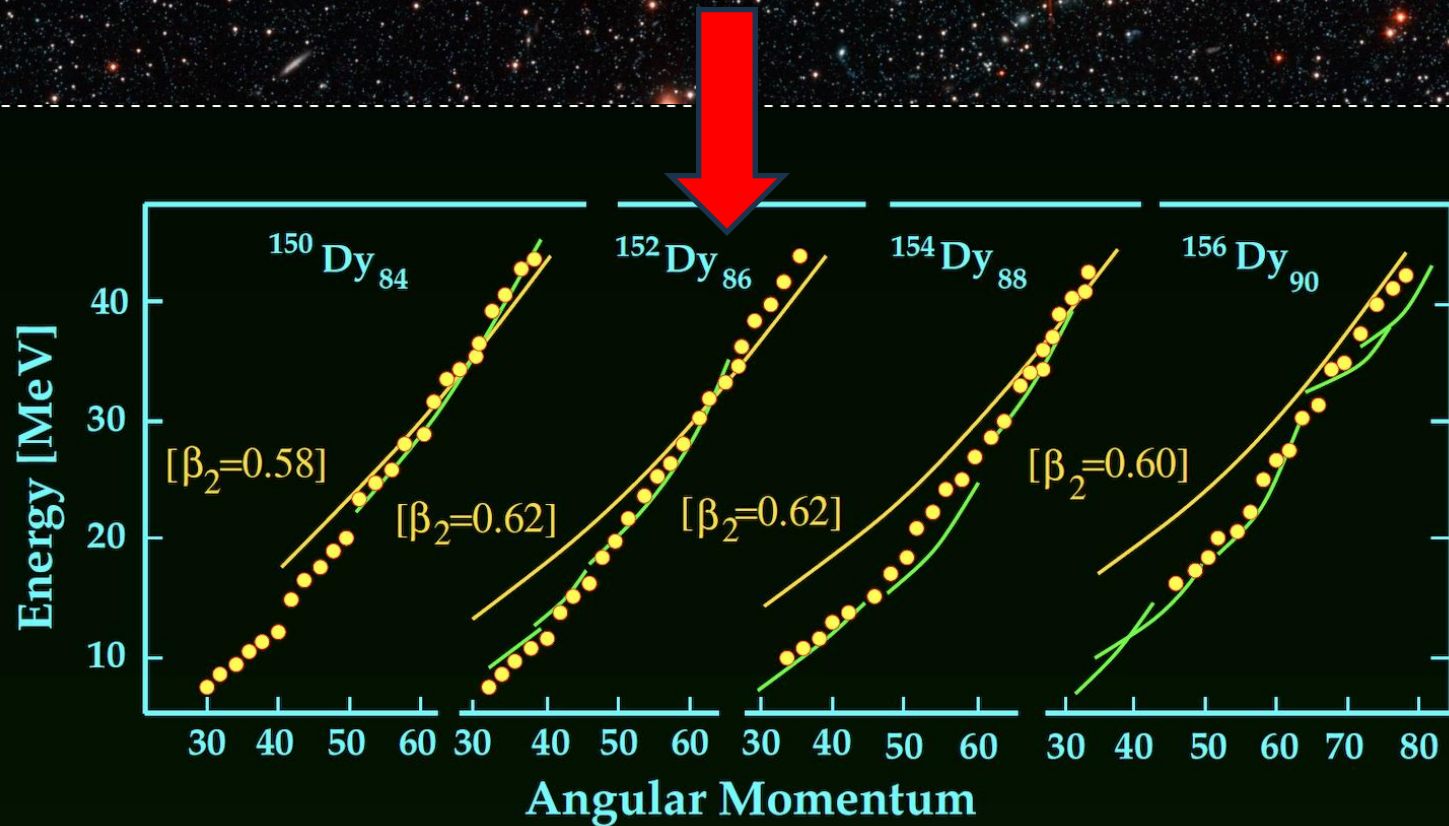
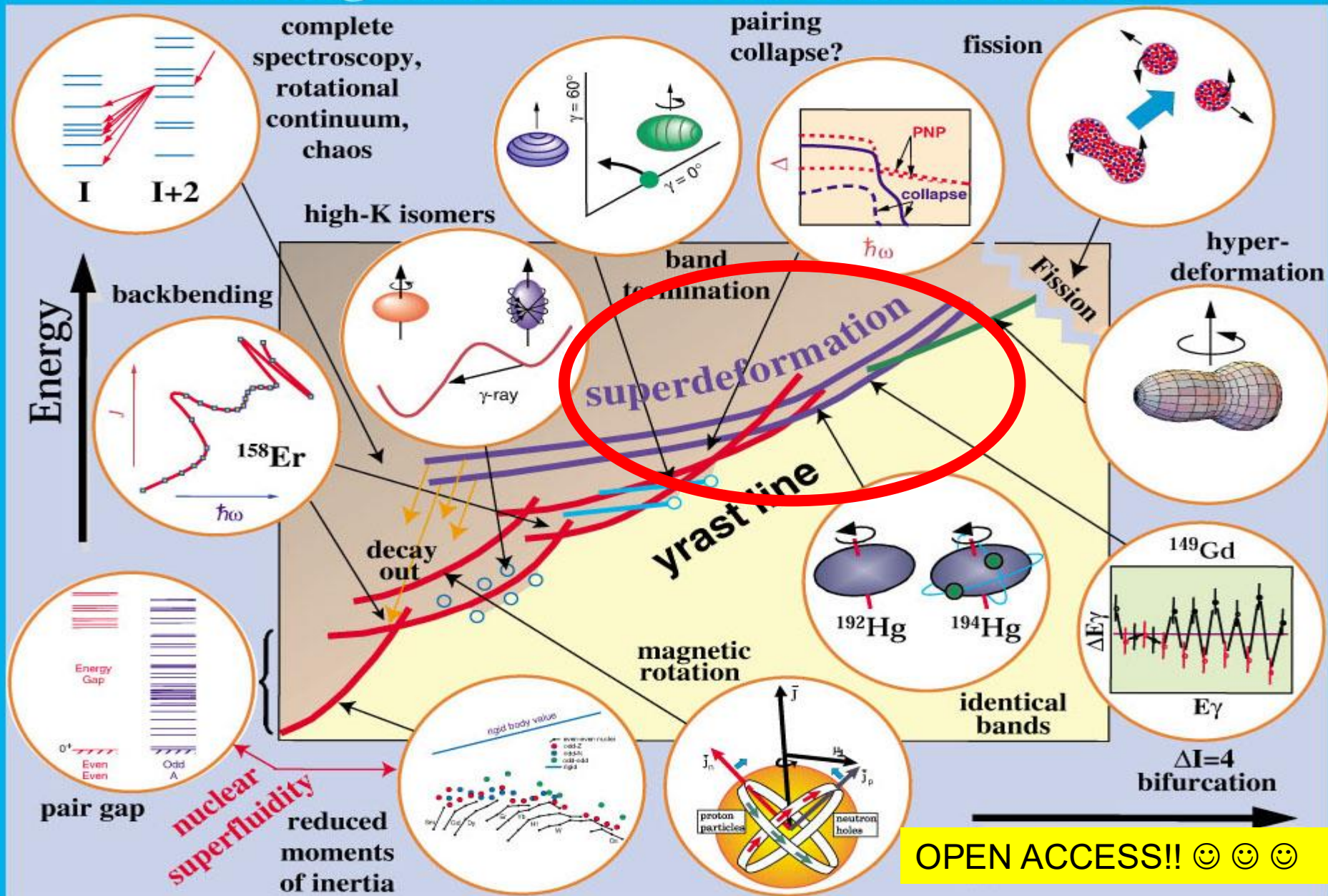


Figure: *Predicted competition between the super-deformed, together with normal-deformed (in particular triaxial) and non-collective states, the latter marked with circles.*

SUPERDEFORMATION!



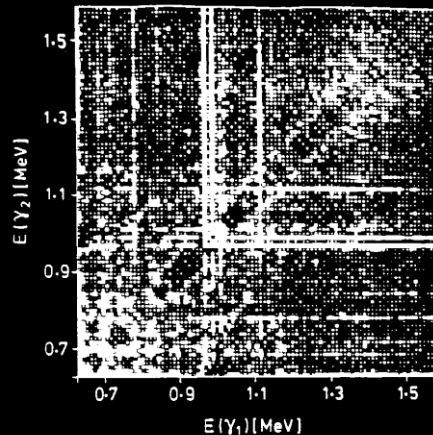
The Angular Momentum World of the Nucleus



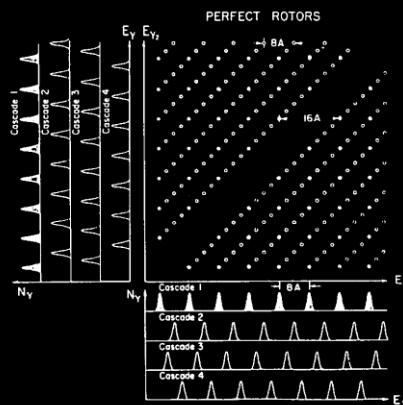
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Most Famous Rotational Structure EVER!

Superdeformed Band in ^{152}Dy : (Twin, Nyako, JFSS et al)



The γ -ray energy correlation spectrum of $E_{\gamma 1}$ against $E_{\gamma 2}$ for ^{152}Dy obtained using TESSA2. The horizontal and vertical stripes are discrete γ -rays below spin 40 $\hbar$. The superdeformed structure is identified by the two parallel ridges close to the $E_{\gamma 1} = E_{\gamma 2}$ 45° diagonal.



Exptal data: Note the diagonal “ridge” structure expected for a highly collective rotor, Nyako et al. PRL (1984)

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Observation of Superdeformation in ^{152}Dy

B. M. Nyakó,^(a) J. R. Cresswell, P. D. Forsyth, D. Howe, P. J. Nolan, M. A. Riley,
J. F. Sharpey-Schafer, J. Simpson, and N. J. Ward
Oliver Lodge Laboratory, The University of Liverpool, Liverpool L69 3BX, United Kingdom

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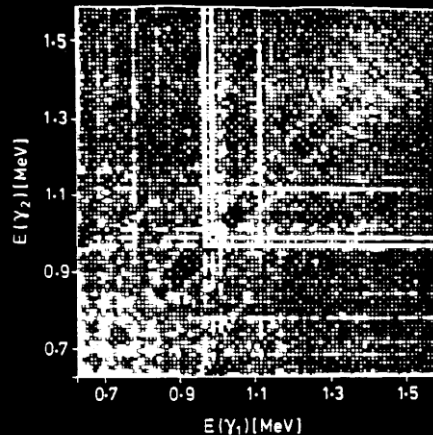
P. J. Twin

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(Received 15 November 1983)

High-resolution, low-background, two-dimensional γ -ray energy correlations $E(\gamma_1)$ vs $E(\gamma_2)$ have been measured at high spin in ^{152}Dy with the spectrometer TESSA2. Ridges characteristic of rotational behavior are observed for γ -ray energies $0.8 \leq E(\gamma) \leq 1.35$ MeV. The separation of the ridges gives a dynamical moment of inertia $\mathcal{I}_{\text{band}}^{(2)} = (85 \pm 2) \hbar^2 \text{ MeV}^{-1}$ indicating a quadrupole deformation of $\epsilon \approx 0.51$ for a rigid body assuming $\gamma = 0$.



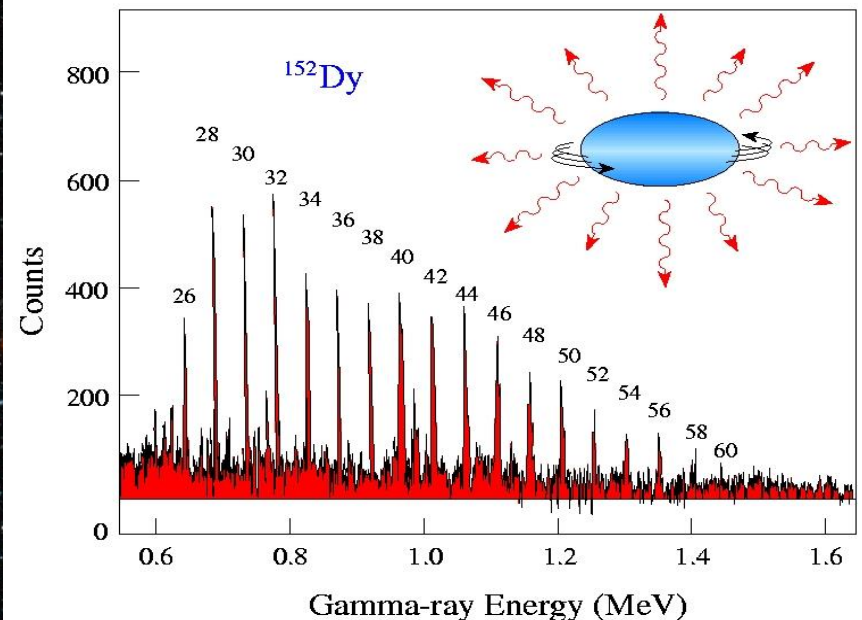
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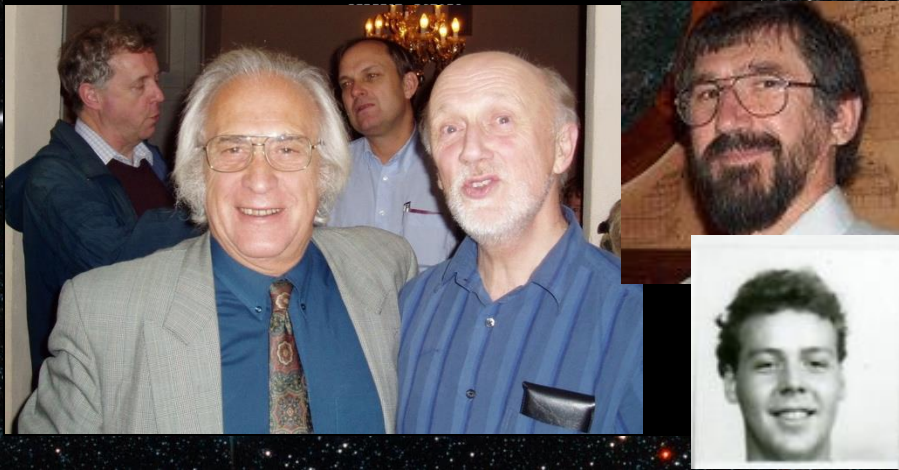
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Exptal data: Note the diagonal “ridge” structure expected for a highly collective rotor, Nyako et al. PRL (1984)

Then 2 years later (after detector upgrade TESSA3) the first discrete high-spin SD band revealed itself to the human race!



P. Twin et. al
Phys. Rev. Lett. 57 (1986)



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Intrinsic Quadrupole Moment of the Superdeformed Band in ^{152}Dy

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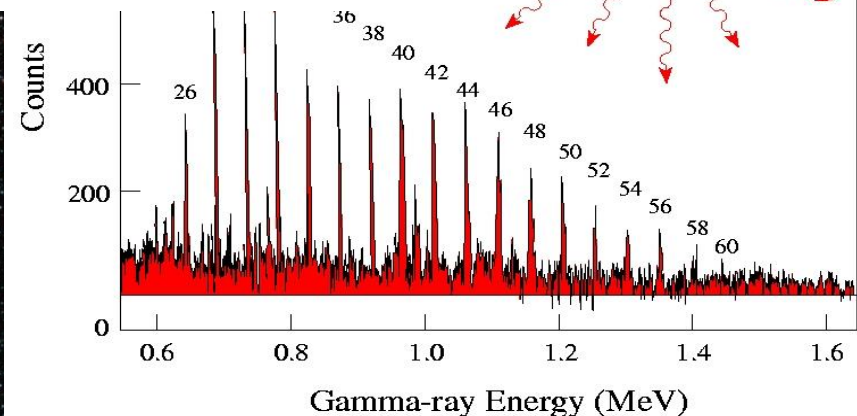
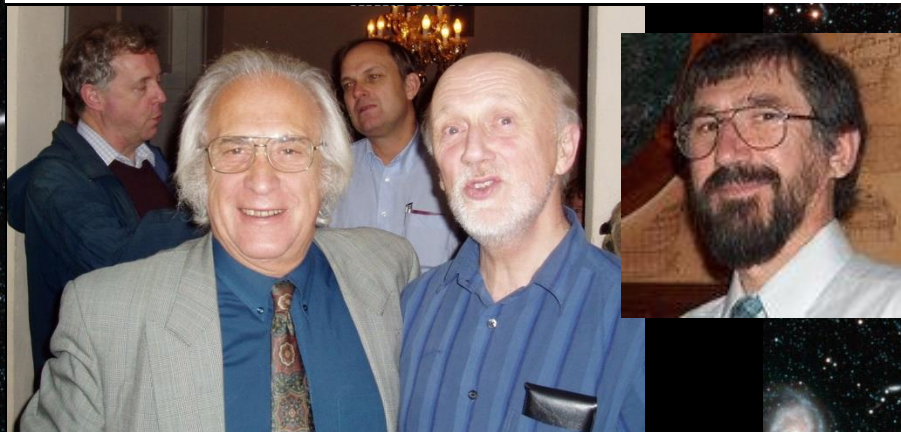
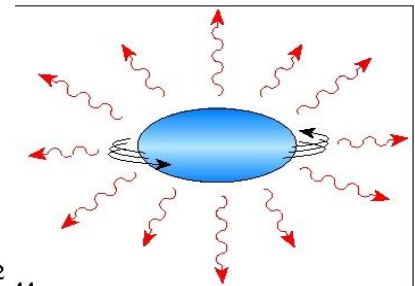
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(Received 9 February 1987; revised manuscript received 3 June 1987)

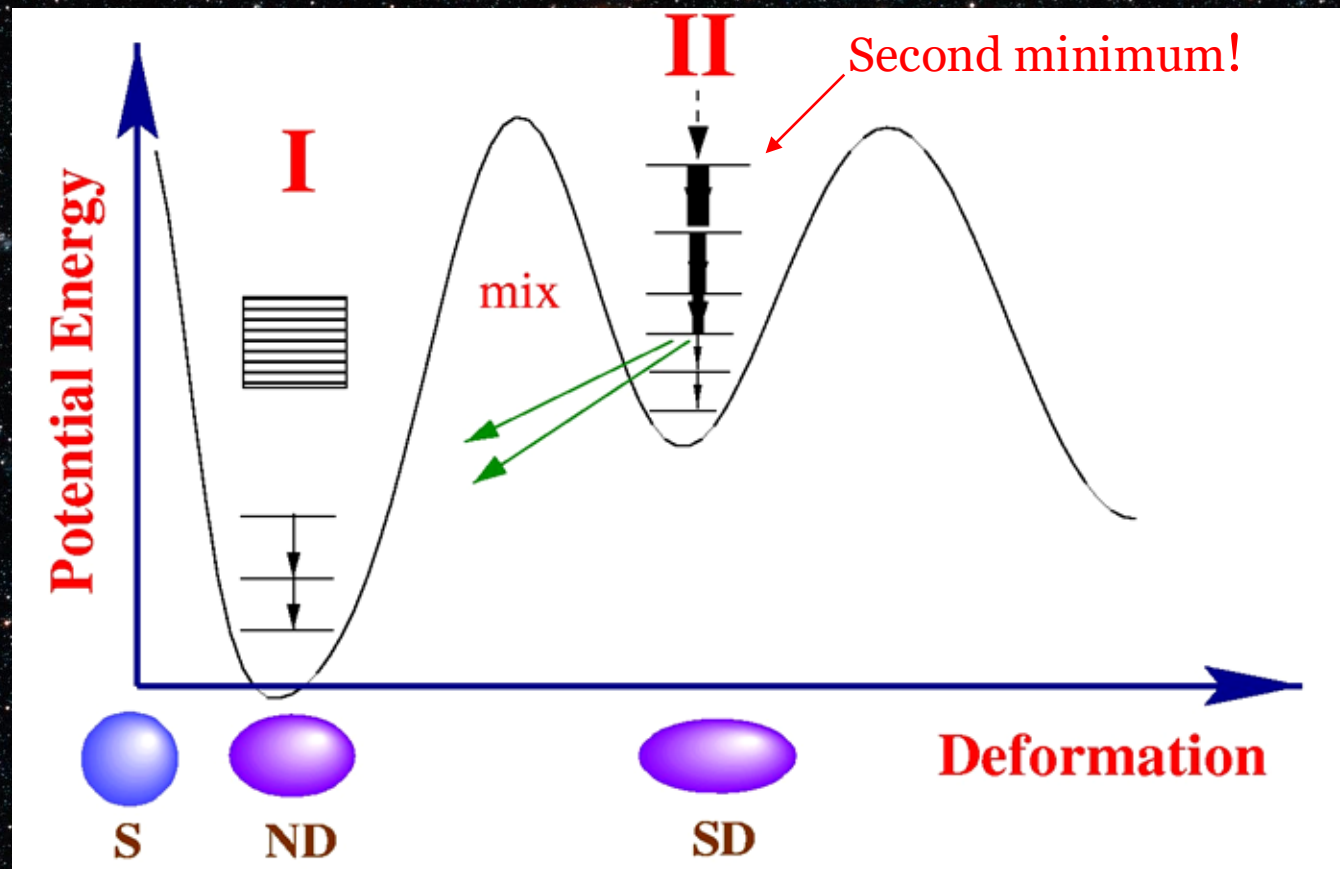
$$Q_0 = 19 \pm 3 \text{ e.b.}$$

The attenuation of the Doppler shift has been measured for γ rays emitted from the superdeformed states in the nucleus ^{152}Dy , recoiling in a ^{108}Pd target and its gold backing. The transitions from the high-spin members of the superdeformed band are fully shifted, indicating feeding times of not more than a few femtoseconds. The partially shifted low-spin transitions yield a quadrupole moment of $19 \pm 3 \text{ e.b.}$, in excellent agreement with the value expected for a superdeformed shape.



P. Twin et. al
Phys. Rev. Lett. 57 (1986)

The Nucleus at Extreme Deformation



Second minimum in the nuclear potential energy!

Extremely deformed nucleus - 2:1 prolate (football shaped)

Let us investigate this brave new world! Surprises galore!!



Nuclear Superdeformation – A Major Discovery

“Top unexpected physics discoveries of the last five years!”

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High temperature superconductivity

Atom cooling and atom optics

Large-scale structure of the universe

Supernova 1987A

Superdeformed nuclei

Buckyballs

Slide stolen
from Paul Fallon



Daniel Kleppner
Lester Wolfe Professor
of Physics at MIT



J. Garrett

*“Superdeformation -
Nuclear Physics’ Supernova”*

B. Mottelson

*...one of Nuclear Structures finest
hours ..*



Gamma-ray spectroscopy of superdeformed states nucleus ^{152}Dy

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P Fallon‡, B Fant||, P D Forsyth‡, B Herskind¶, D How
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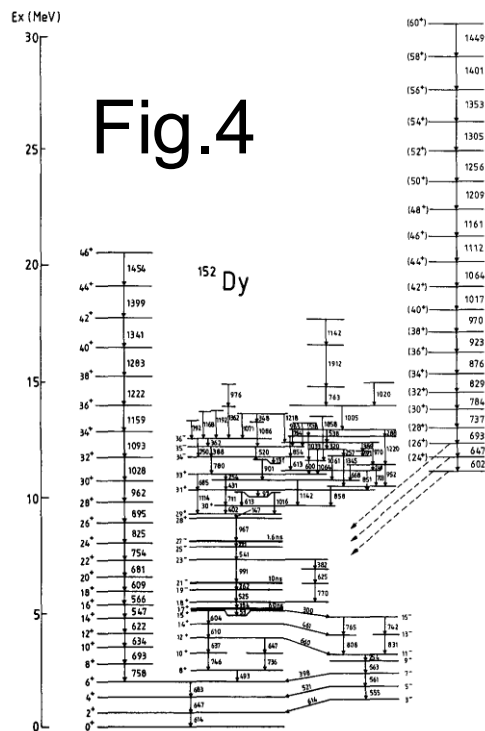
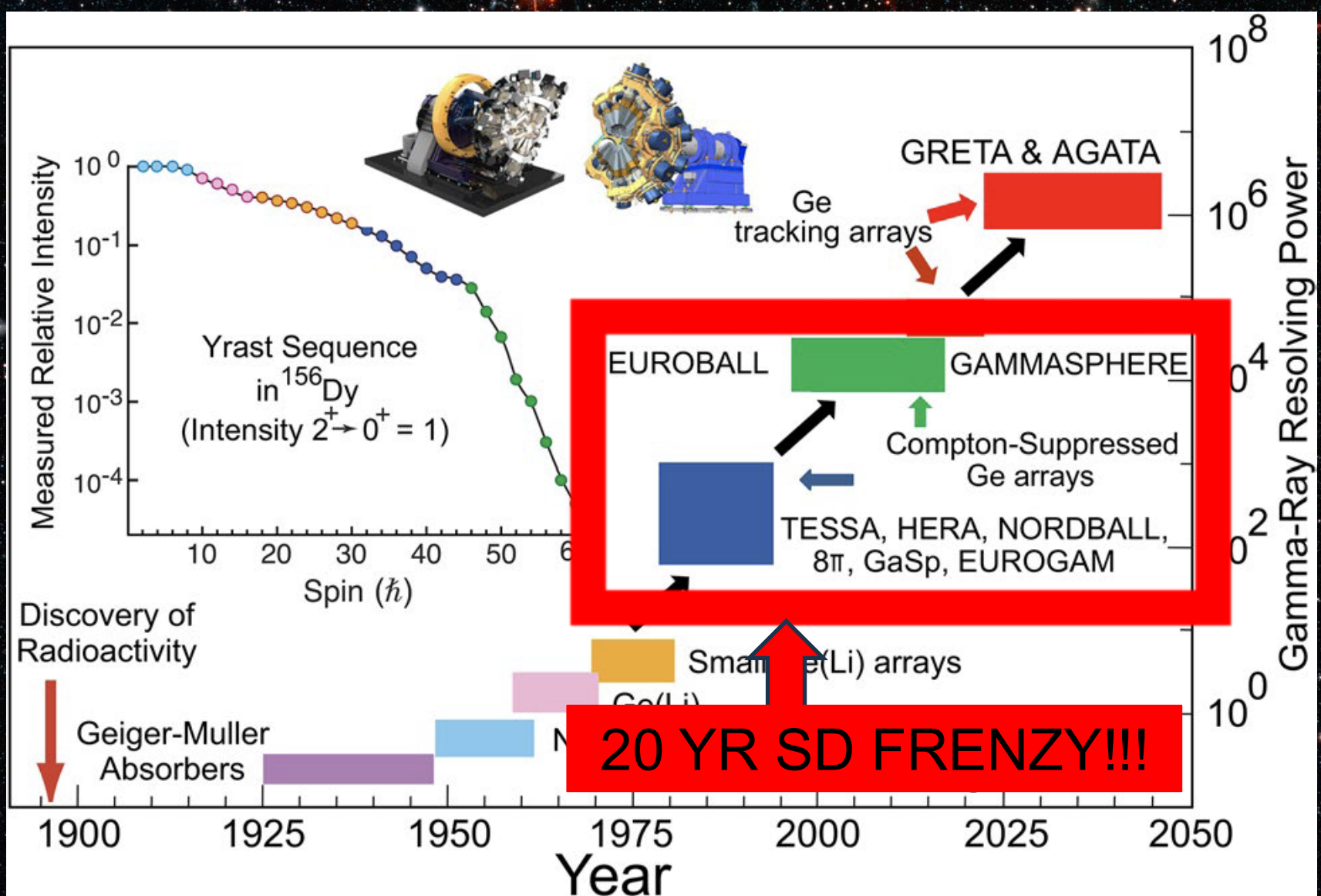


Figure 4. The ^{152}Dy decay scheme showing the coexistence of three distinct structures. On the left-hand side, a prolate rotational band is built on the ground-state band (Nyakó *et al.* 1986) with a low deformation ($\beta_2 \sim 0.3$, $\gamma \sim 25^\circ$). In the centre of the level scheme, an oblate single particle structure is shown ($\beta_2 \sim 0.1$, $\gamma \sim 60^\circ$) up to spins $\geq 36\hbar$ (Howe 1986). On the right-hand side is the superdeformed band ($\beta_2 \sim 0.6$, $\gamma \sim 0^\circ$) extending up to a spin of $60\hbar$. (The values of β_2 and γ are taken from Dudek 1987.) The link between this band and the known scheme is not observed.

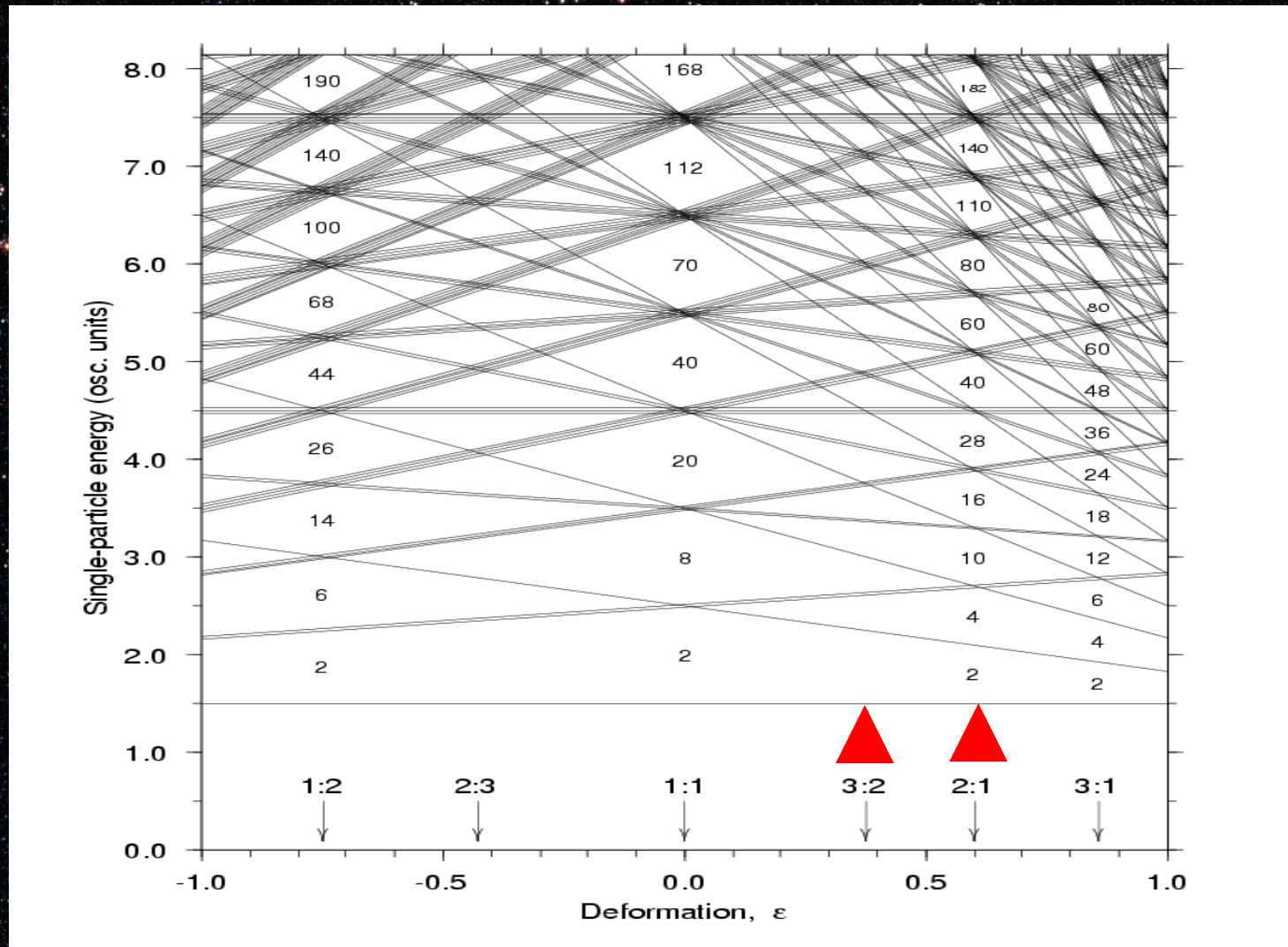




Evolution of detector systems ☺

Wyss & Riley, Nuc. Phys. News Vol.32, No.2,2022
(with brilliant help from John Simpson and Augusto Macchiavelli)

Nuclear Superdeformation



Harmonic oscillator



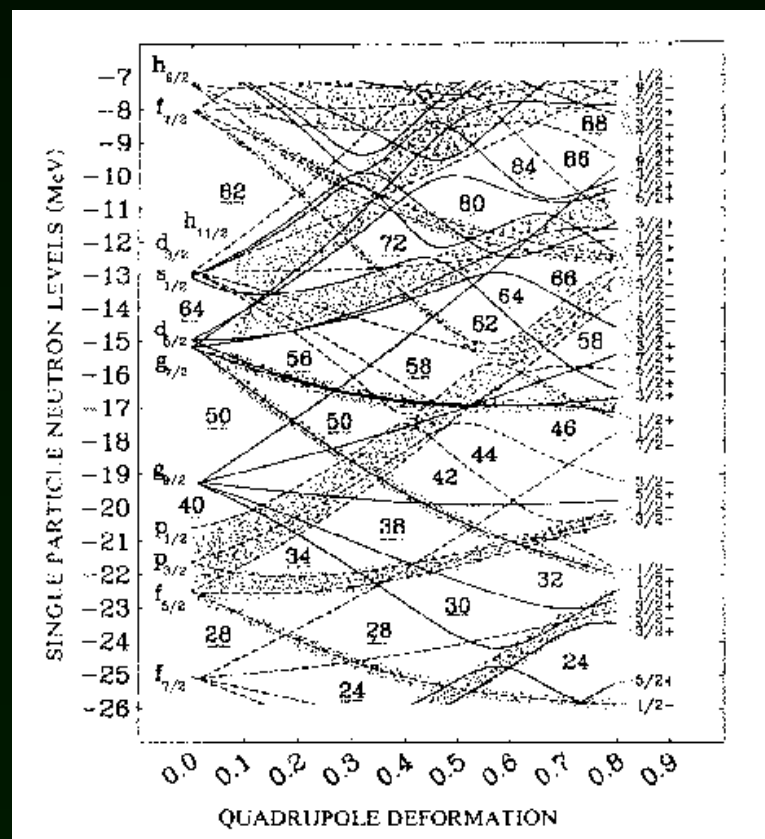
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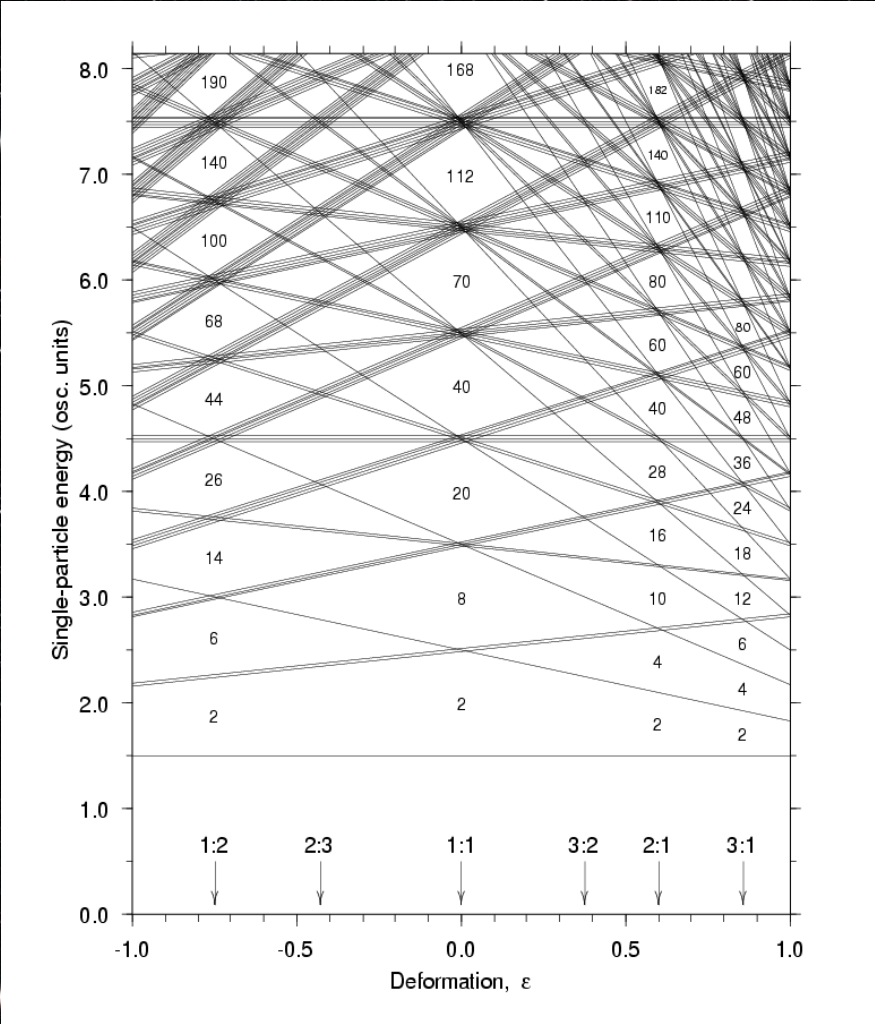
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Abundance and systematics of nuclear superdeformed states; relation to the pseudospin and pseudo-SU(3) symmetries

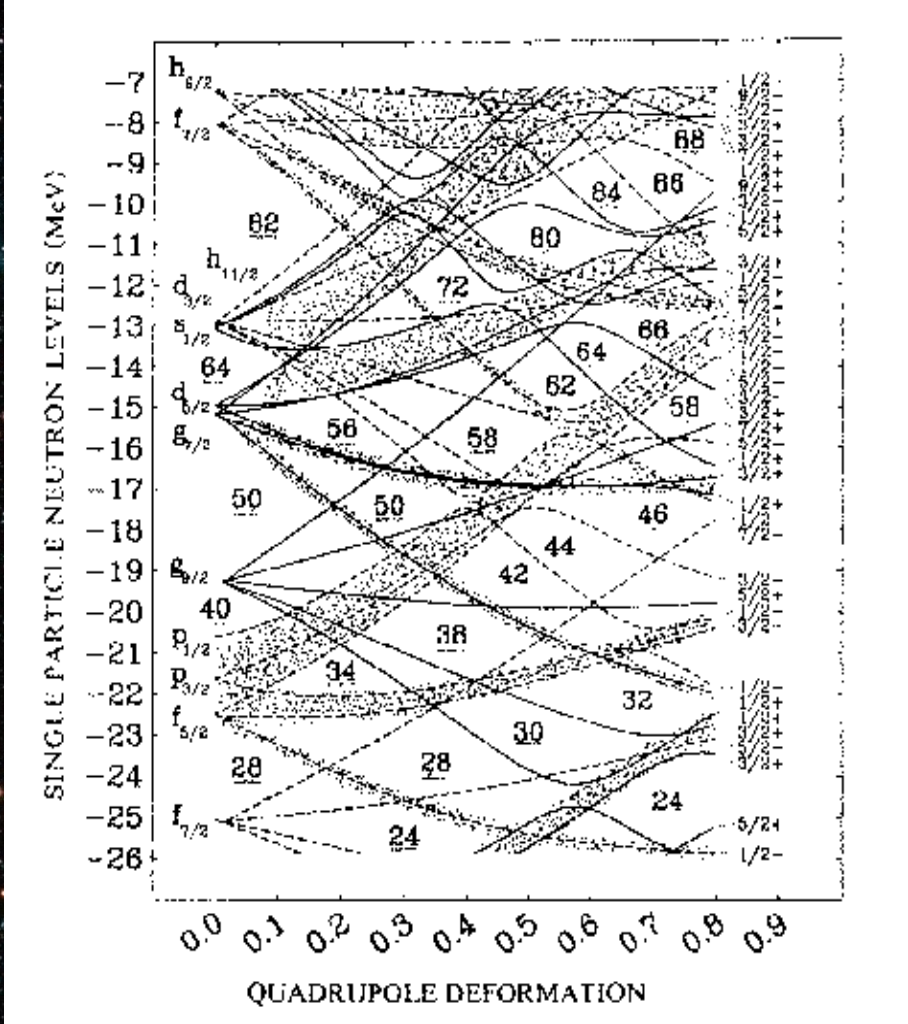
J. Dudek, W. Nazarewicz, Z. Szymański, and G. A. Leander



Superdeformation



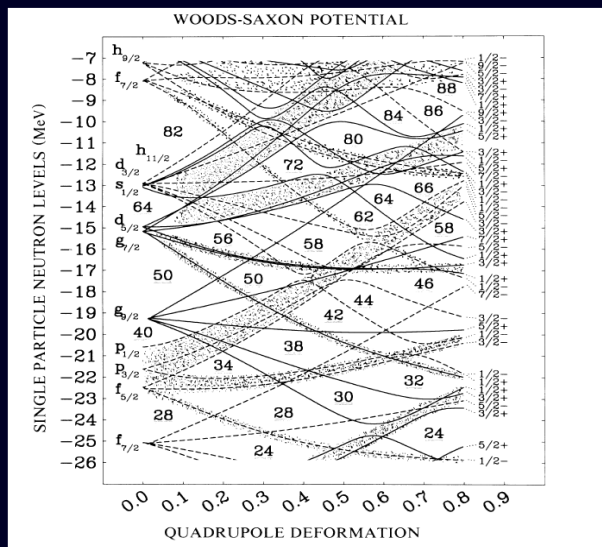
Harmonic oscillator



Wood Saxon potential

Read the Figure - and Write in Words What It Says ...

SU(3) Multiplets



Theoretical Predictions for SD's

1. Existence $Z=28, 30, 32$
2. Absence $Z=34, 36$
3. Existence $Z=38, 40, 42, 44, 46$
4. Absence $Z=48, 50, 52, 54, 56$
5. Existence $Z=58, 60, 62, 64, 66$
6. Absence $Z=68, 70$
7. Existence $Z=72$
8. Absence $Z=74, 76, 78$
9. Existence $Z=80, 82, \dots$ Actinide



Read the Figure - and Write in Words What It Says ...

Experimental Situation

Z=28, Ni, N=30

Z=30, Zn, N=30, 32, 34 absent, 38 (!)

Z=32, 34, 36, absent

Z=38, Sr, N=44

Z=40, Zr, N=44, 46

Z=42, Mo, N=46

Z=44, Cd, absent

Z=46, Pd, N=58, 60

Z=48, 50, 52, 54, 56, absent

Z=58, Ce, N=72, 74

Z=60, Nd, N=72, 74, 76

Z=62, Sm, N=74, 76, 78 absent, 80

Z=64, Gd, N=80, 82, 84, 86

Z=66, Dy, N=86, 88

Z=68, Er, N=86

Z=70, Yb, absent

Z=72, Hf, N=96

Z=74, 76, 78, absent

Z=80, Hg, N=110, 112, 114

Z=82, Pb, N=112, 114, 116

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But do shell gaps persist with rotation in ^{152}Dy ?

YES! 😊

e.g. Dudek et al:

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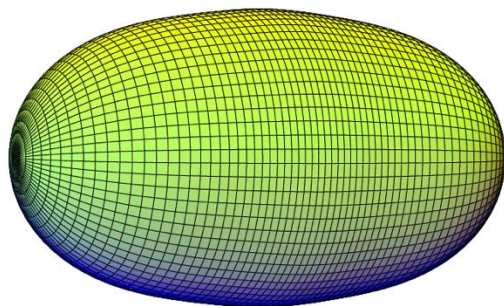


Fig. 1. The superdeformed nucleus ^{152}Dy , according to the measurements of ref. [8] has the quadrupole moment $Q_2 = 17.2$ eb. The corresponding deformation $\alpha_{20} = 0.61$ and $\alpha_{40} = 0.11$ obtained, e.g., from the calculations with the Woods-Saxon potential as in ref. [9] reproduces the measured dynamical moments and the quadrupole moment. The shape presented in the figure corresponds to the above deformation.

the introduction. Below, just a few selected aspects will be mentioned that we consider particularly relevant also in the hyperdeformation context.

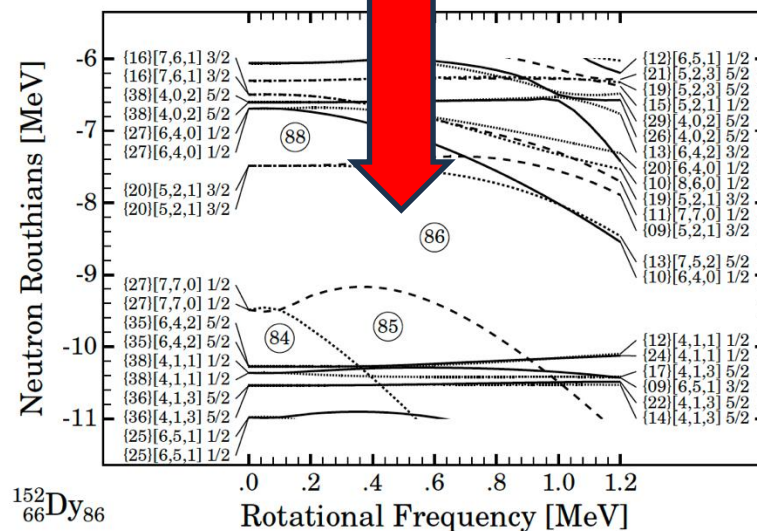


Fig. 2. The neutron single-particle levels as a function of the rotational frequency. The results correspond to the superdeformed nucleus ^{152}Dy at the equilibrium deformation calculated using the deformed Woods-Saxon potential. The numbers in curly brackets give the percentages of validity of the attached Nilsson labels.

1987: Dudek goes West! ORNL/JHIR, TN



Our house in Oak Ridge 1987, Dudek, Bent Herskind, Klaus Schiffer, Alison, her mum and Daniel. FAMILY!!!



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Historic 1987 Gordon Conference on Nuclear Chemistry



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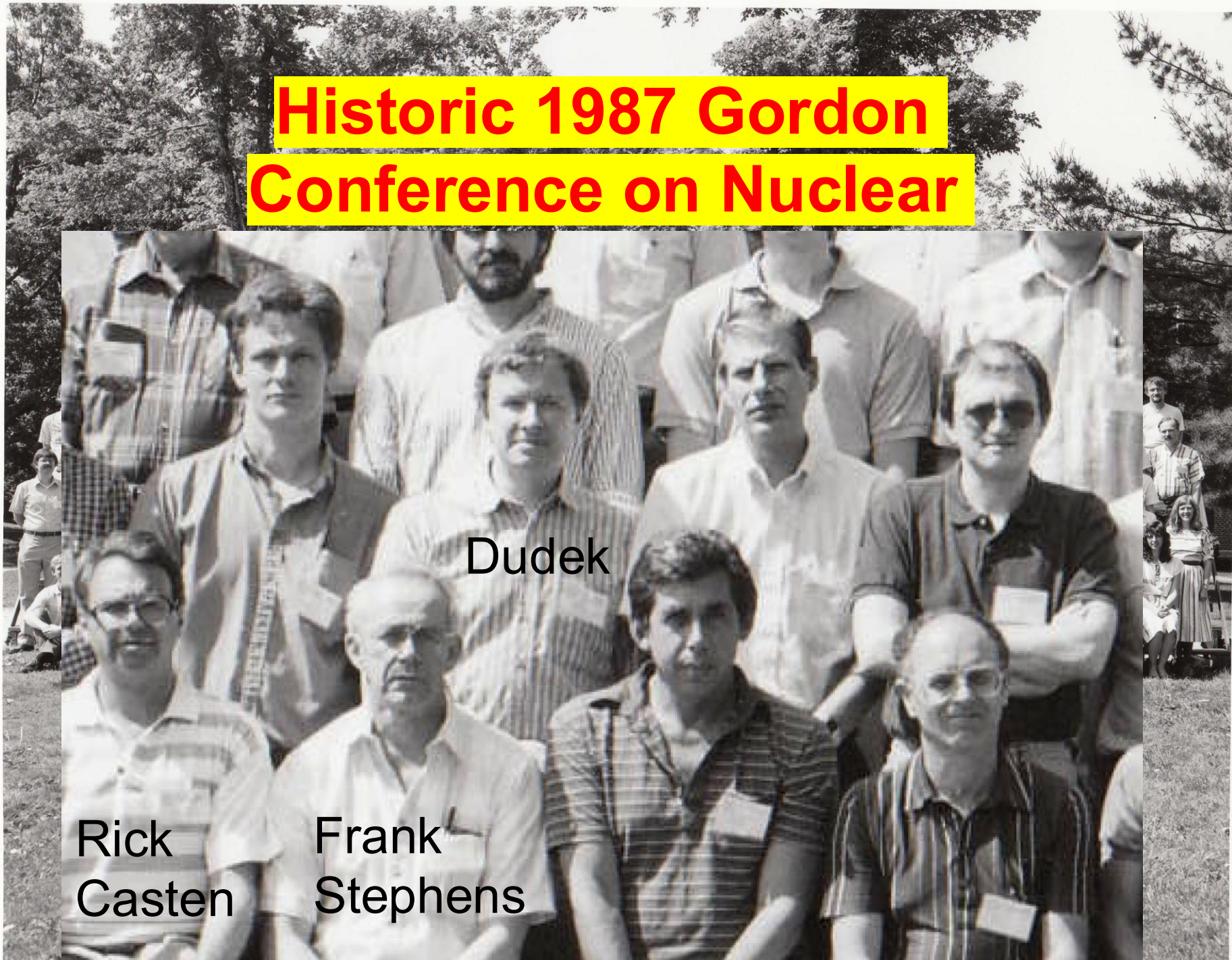
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Historic 1987 Gordon Conference on Nuclear

Dudek

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1987 Legendary Gordon Conference meeting: A Woodstock Moment!

- Discovery of Superdeformation main theme of conference
- Frank Stephens proposes next generation array GAMMASPHERE!
- Dudek at epicenter of extra sessions devoted to making the physics case.



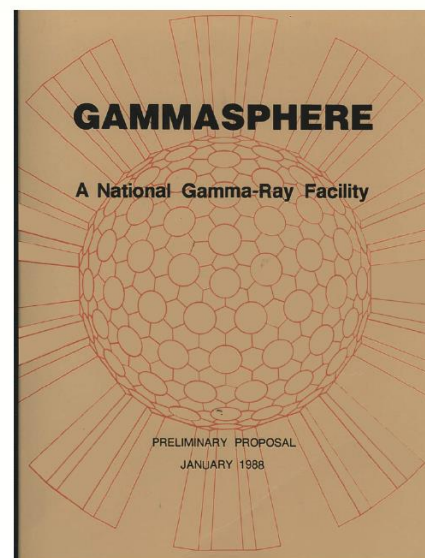
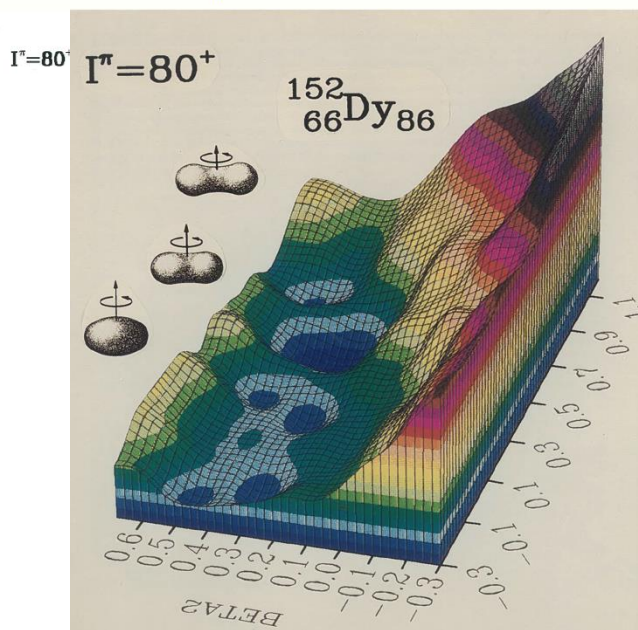
Woodstock 1969: a peaceful crowd gathered in harmony, an iconic moment rarely seen in today's world

Summary and Conclusions (2)

Physics Issues from the Gordon-Conference Series Main Lines in J. Dudek Gordon presentations (GEMINI)

Gordon

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- 1991: From Super-deformation to Hyper-deformation,



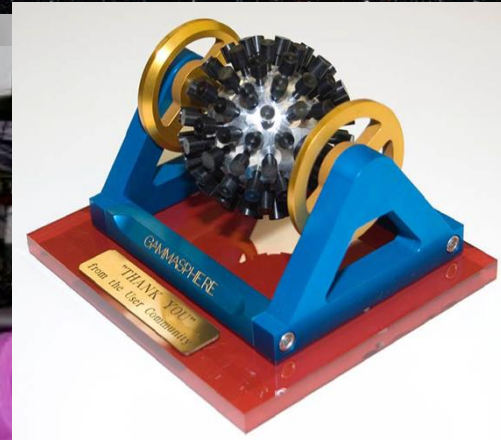
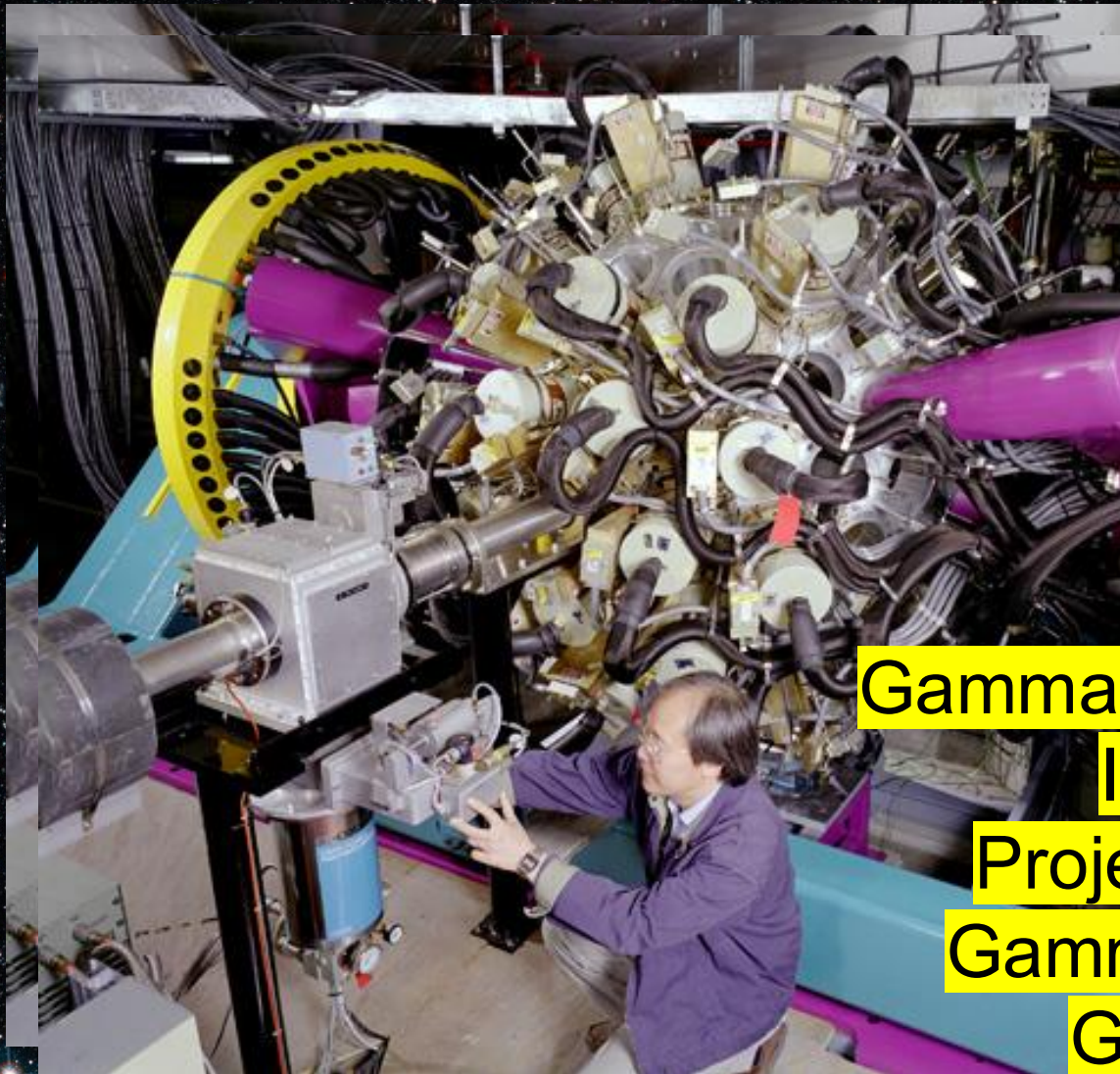
Dudek plot on the front page of the original proposal

I was the one posting them off to Frank Stephens!

Like Adam, I was Dudek's
chauffeur for a year (1988)!
To-from Strasbourg for job
interviews! HE GOT THE JOB!



AND mid-90's WE GOT: GAMMASPHERE! ☺
(AND EUROPE GOT EUROBALL! ☺)



Gamma Grand Master
IY LEE!

Project Leader:
Gammasphere &
GRETA!!!

The GAMMASPHERE Collaboration



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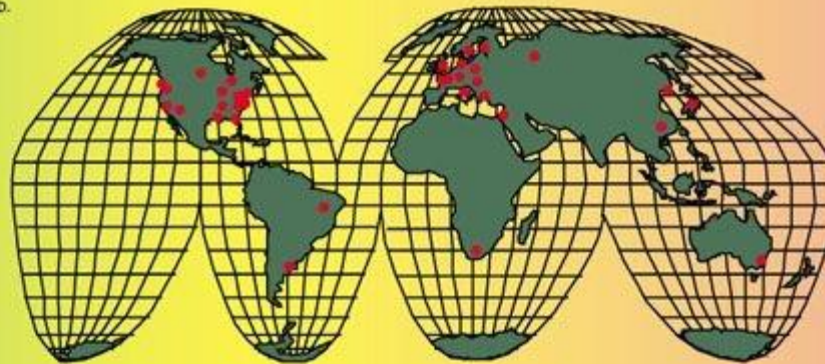
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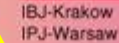
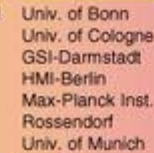
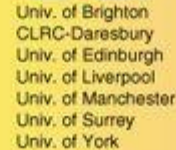
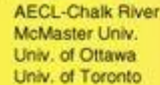
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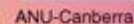
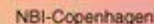
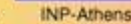
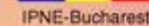
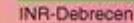
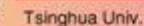
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Similar for Euroball: We are a global community! A FAMILY!



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GAMMASPHERE TURNS BRUCE BANNER INTO THE HULK!



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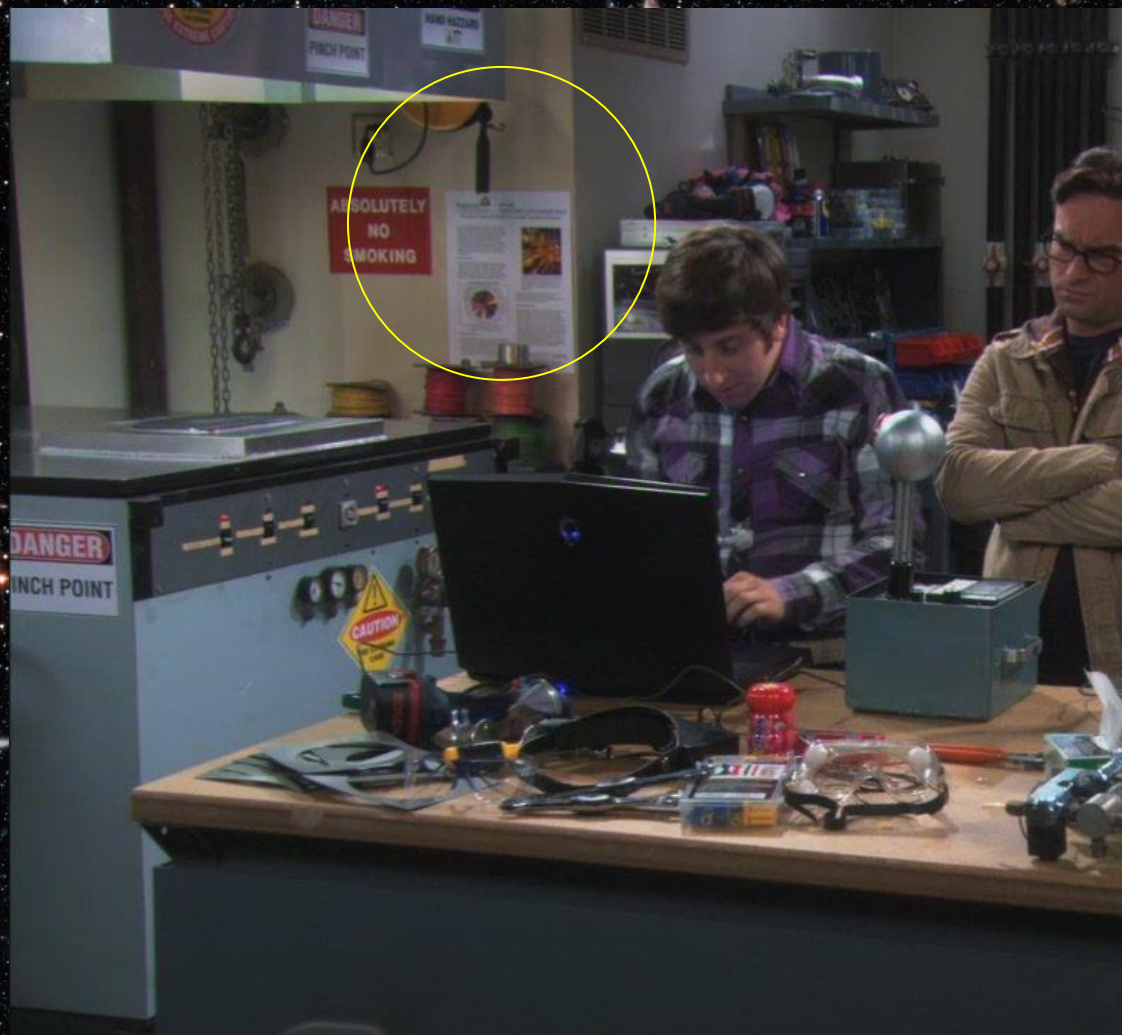
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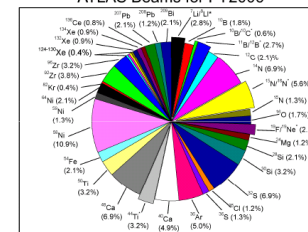
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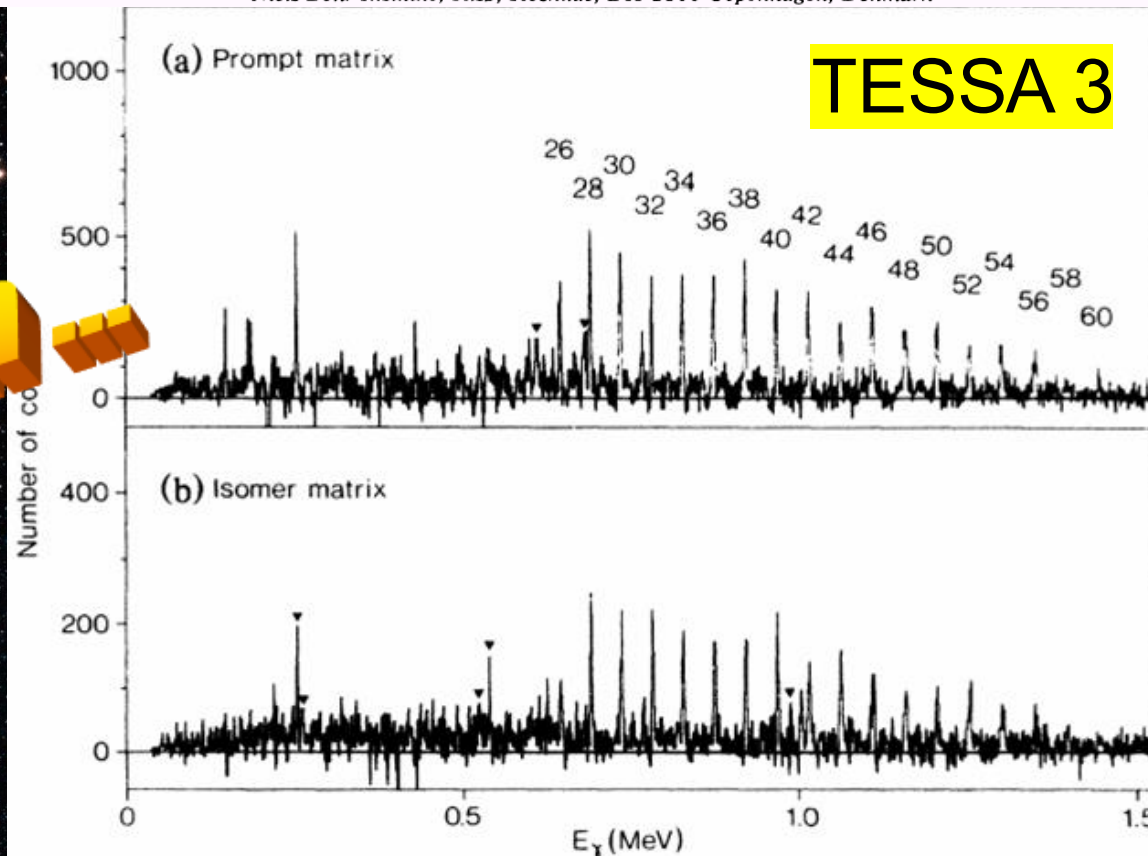
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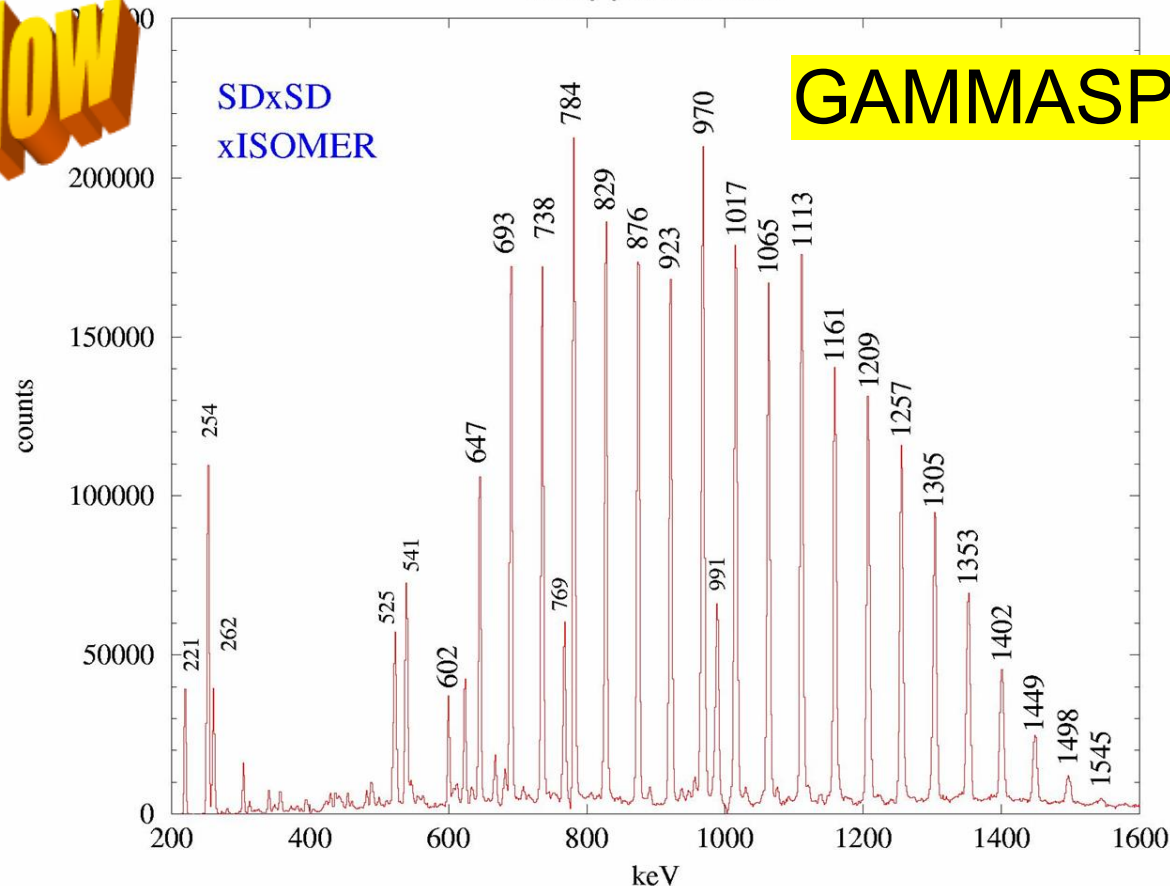
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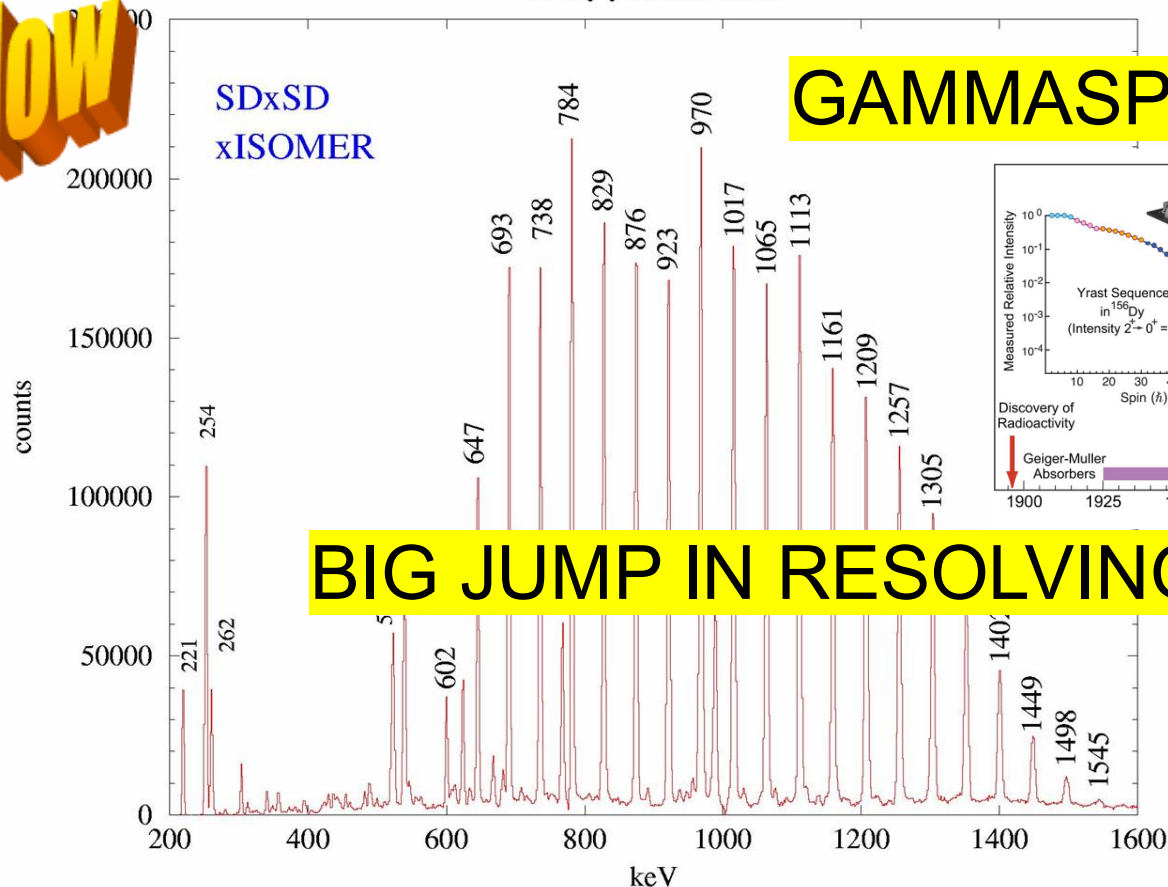
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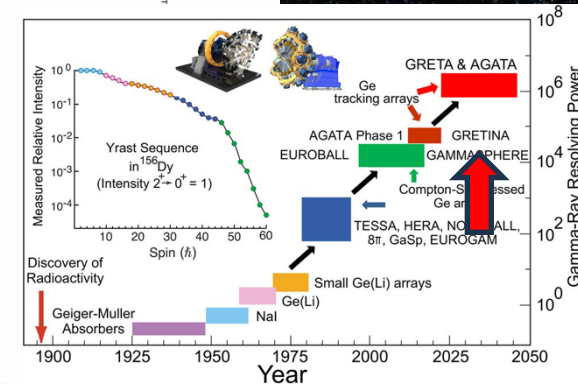
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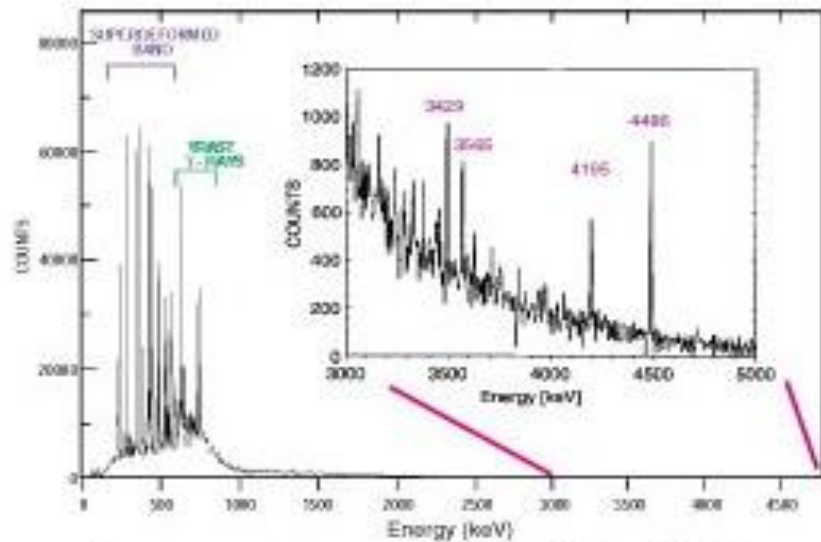


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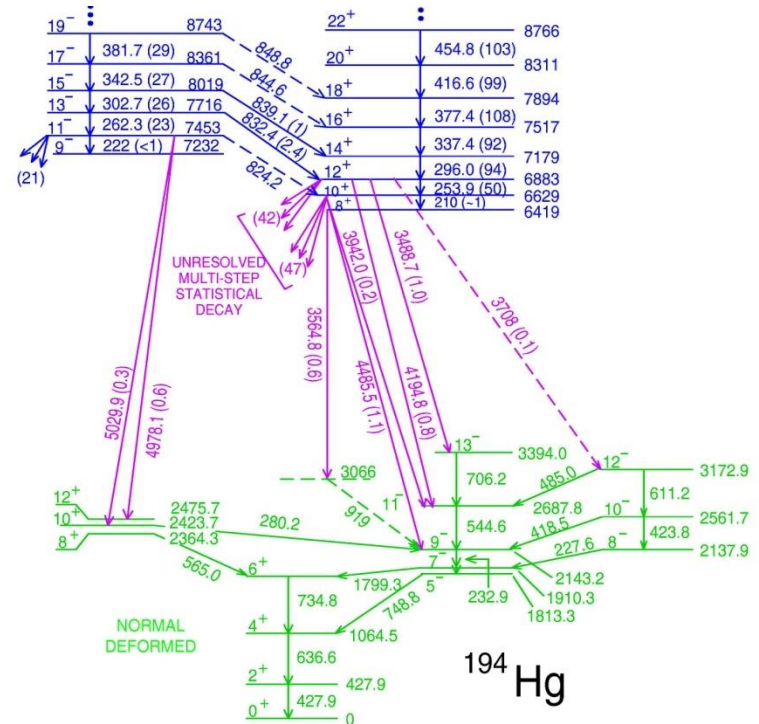
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Direct links between high spin superdeformed and normal energy minima finally observed



Gamma ray spectrum for band 1 in ^{194}Hg showing the weak direct one-step discrete high energy (3.4 - 4.5 MeV) decays linking the superdeformed and normal deformed minima.

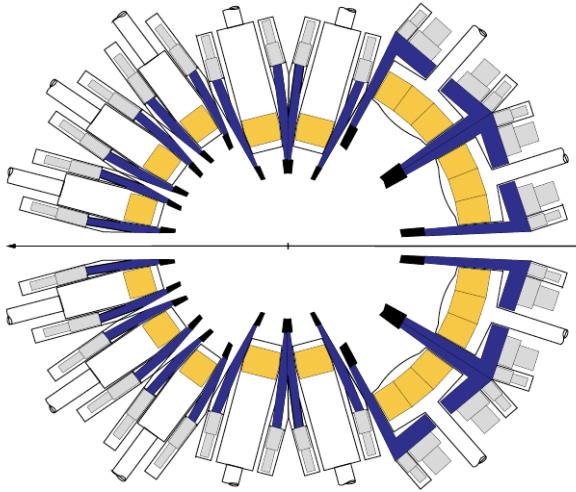
Khoo et al, PRL 76(96)1583



And ^{152}Dy : T.Lauritsen et al.,
PRL 88 (2002) 042501

This observation unambiguously defined the excitation energies, spins and probable parities of superdeformed bands in the $A = 190$ region for the first time.

**Achievements with the
EUROBALL spectrometer**



**Scientific and Technical
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**W. Korten and S. Lunardi (Eds.)
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**FANTASTIC
RESULTS
FROM
EUROBALL
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**Dudek was
obviously
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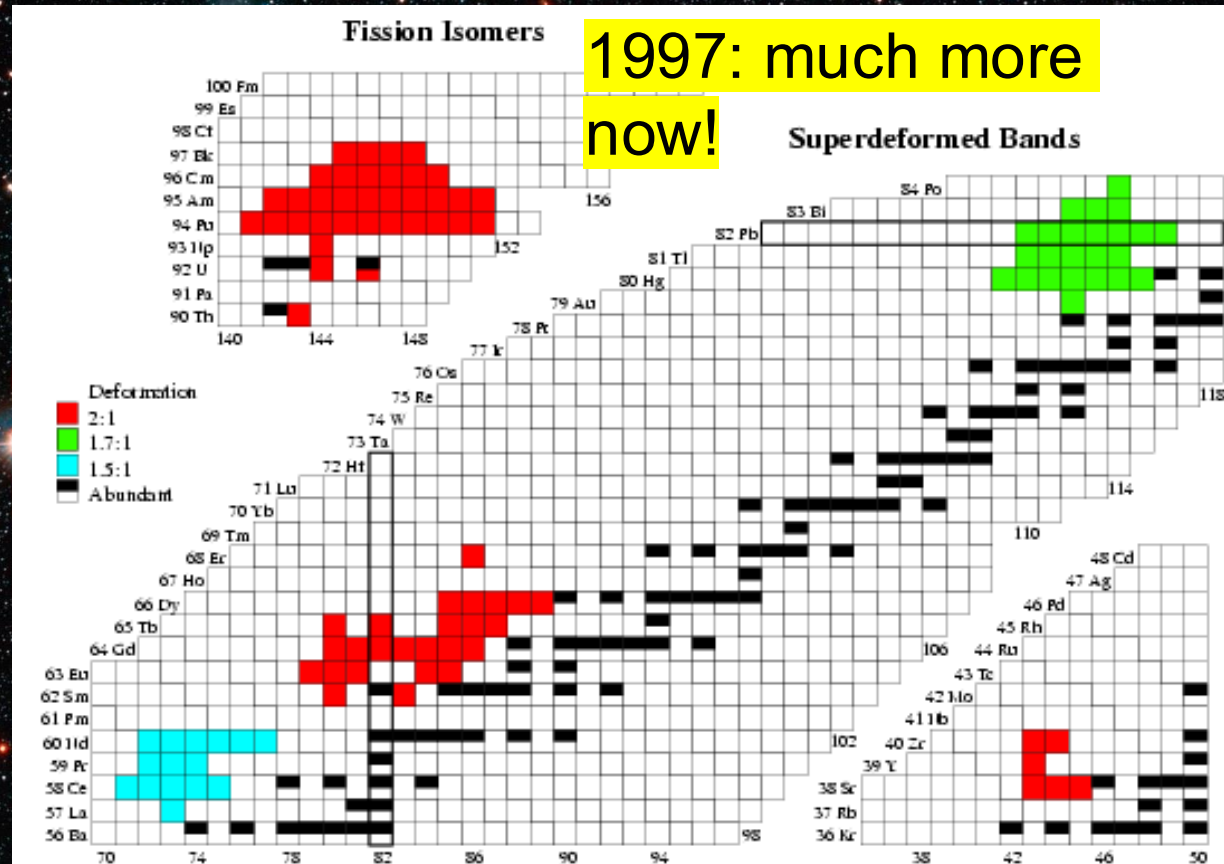
Table of Superdeformed Nuclear Bands and Fission Isomers

WWW Edition. Updated June, 1997

by Balraj Singh, Richard B. Firestone, and S.Y. Frank Chu

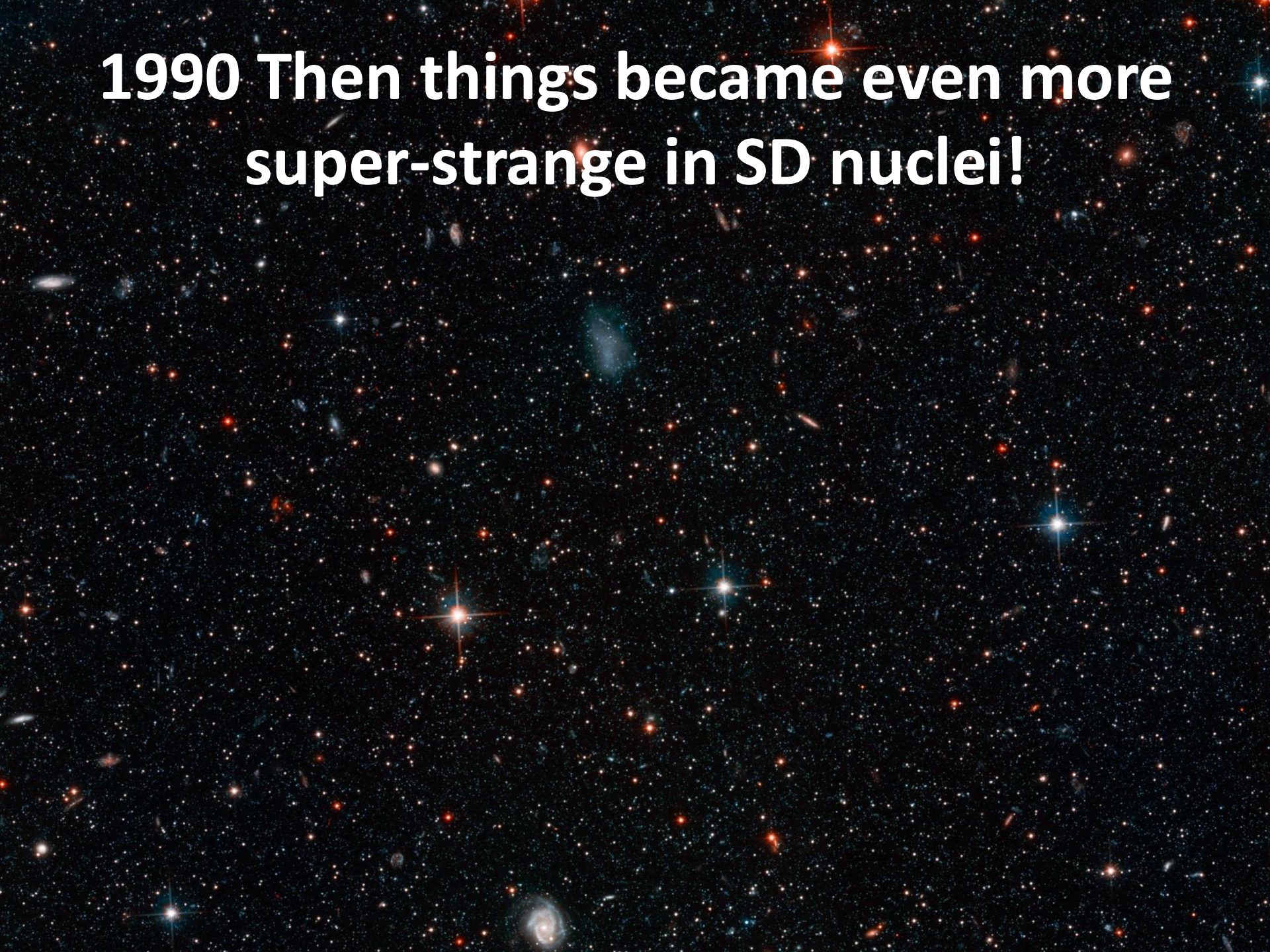
Feast of Spectroscopy!!! Known Regions of Superdeformation (as Dudek's predictions)

- >500 SD bands now known!
- Each region is unique!
- Amazingly rich spectroscopy!
- But only a couple LINKED! ☹
- - so no I, II or Ex!

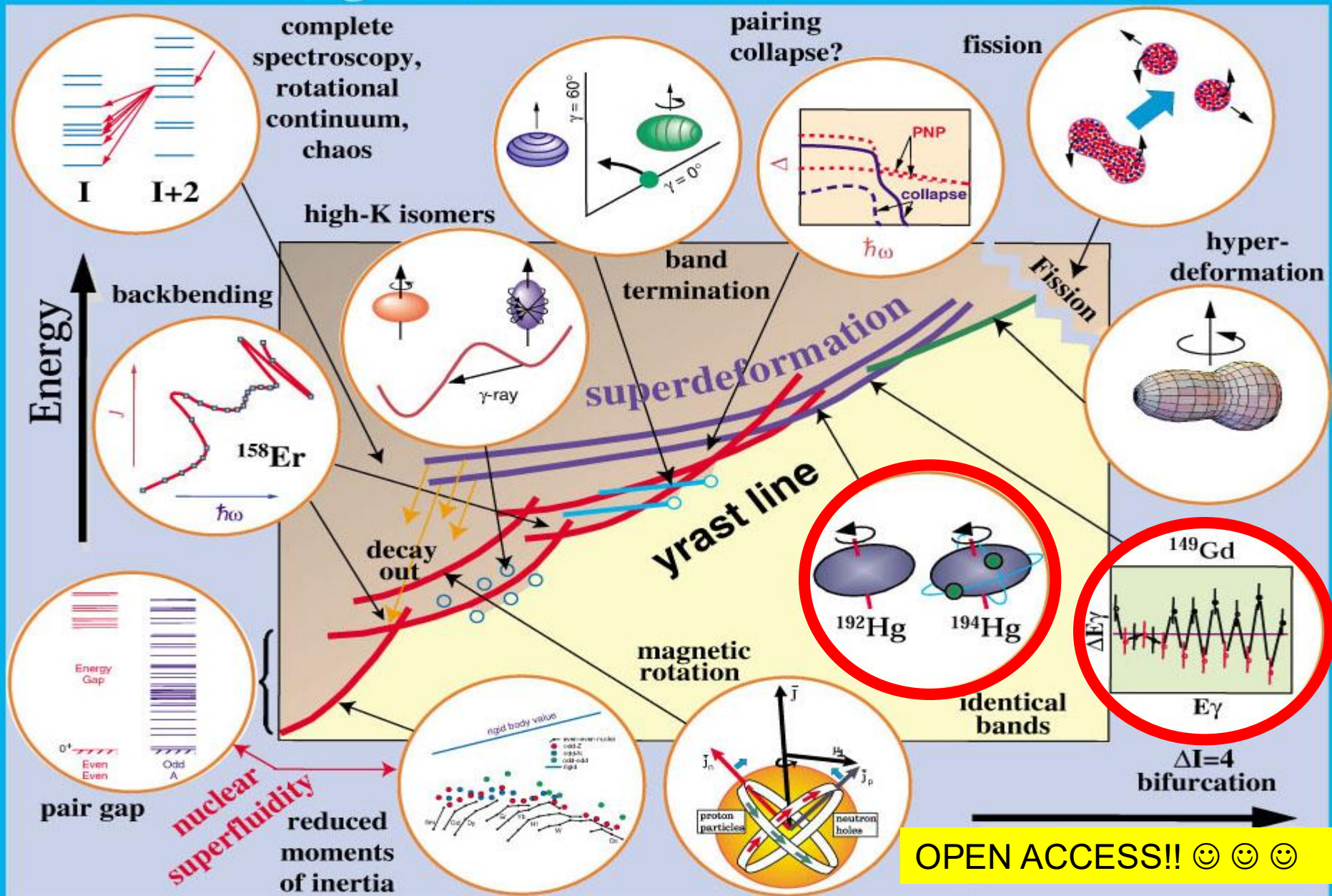


ESSENTIAL TO SOLVE IDENTICAL BANDS & C4 STAGGERING MYSTERIES

**1990 Then things became even more
super-strange in SD nuclei!**



The Angular Momentum World of the Nucleus



OPEN ACCESS!! 😊 😊 😊

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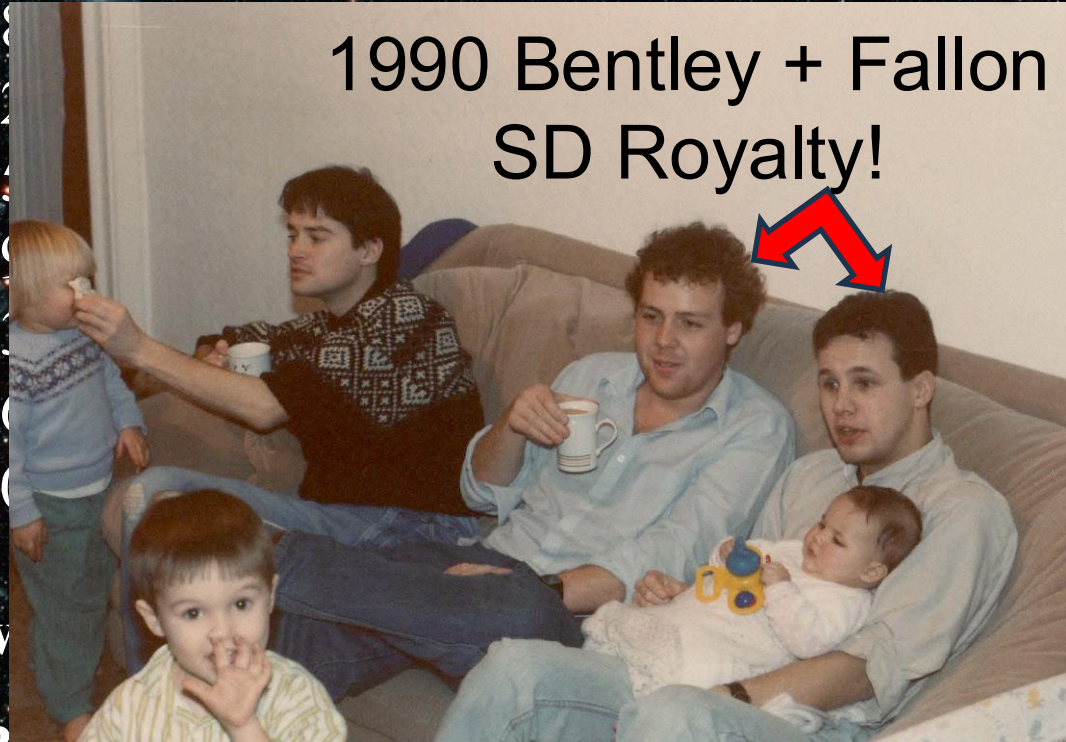
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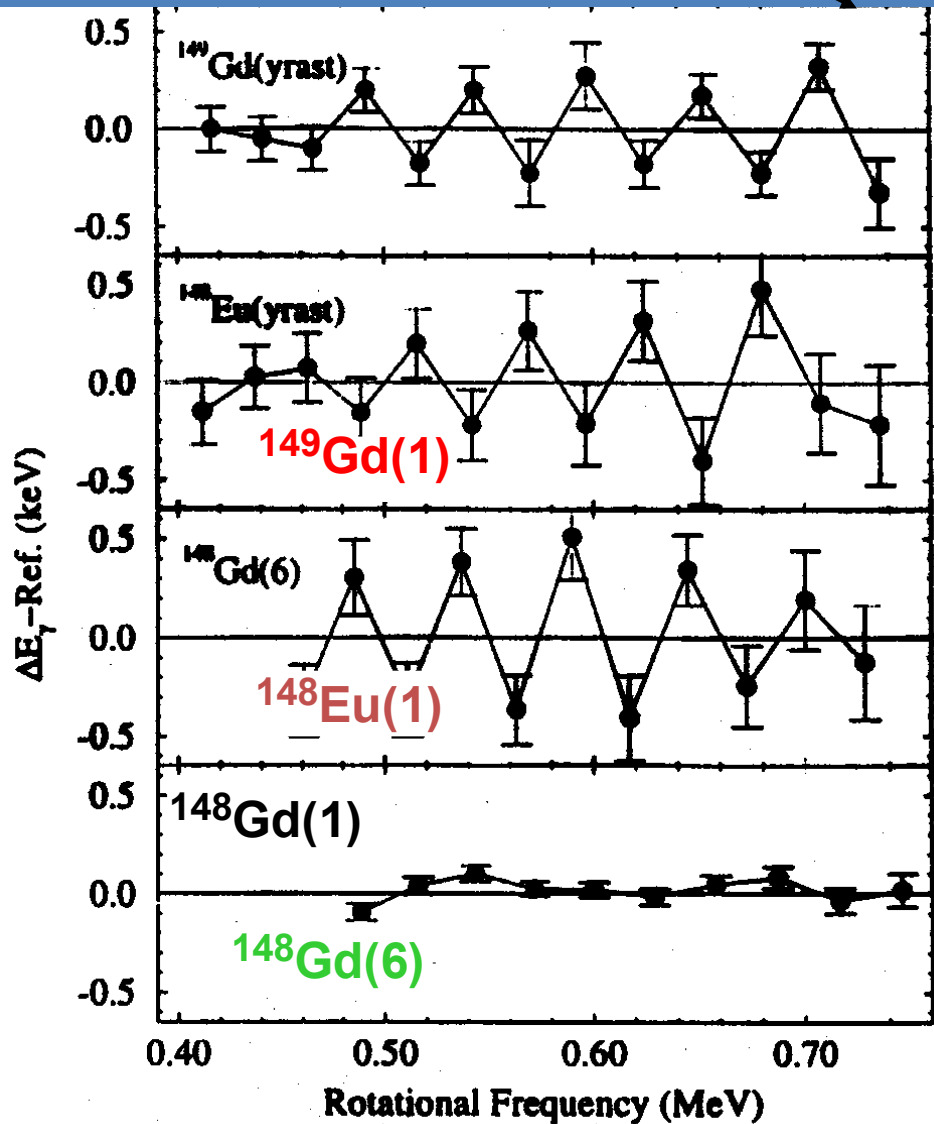
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Dudek: Degeneracies imply symmetries!
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IDENTICAL BANDS ARE OFTEN FOUND IN NEIGHBORING NUCLEI



Classic GS expt
by Haslip et al.,
PRL 78(97)3447

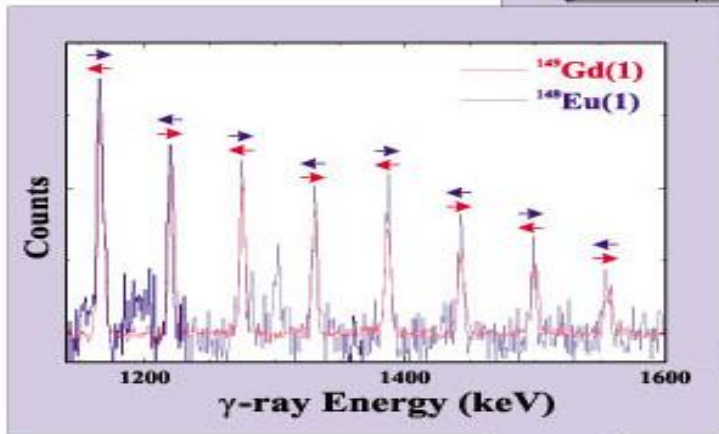
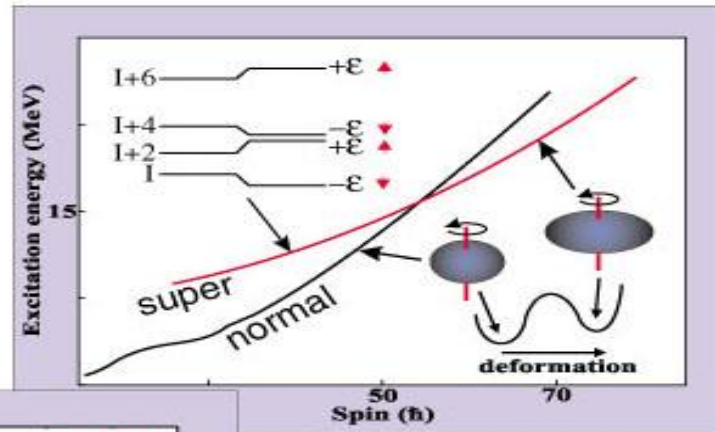
Lots of new bands!

We can use
other bands
as a
reference!

See also Haslip et al.,
PRC 58(98)R2649
for systematic survey

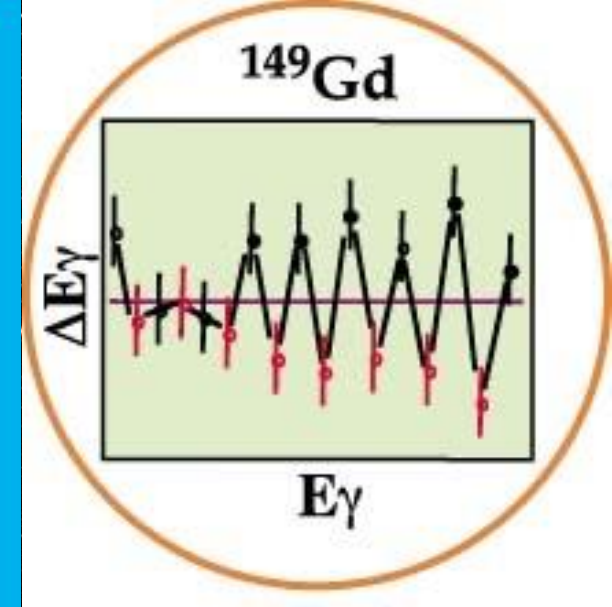
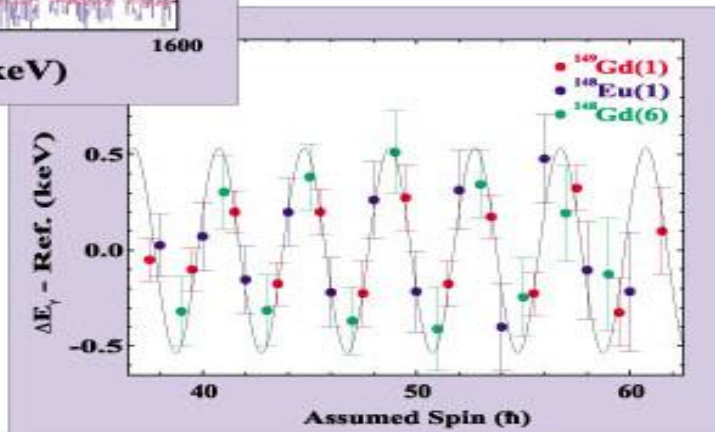
$\Delta I=4$ Bifurcation in Identical Superdeformed Bands

$\Delta I = 4$ bifurcation occurs when alternate levels in a superdeformed band are perturbed by one part in a million, in opposite directions.



The transitions in these neighboring nuclei are nearly identical, but the direction of the tiny shift is reversed.

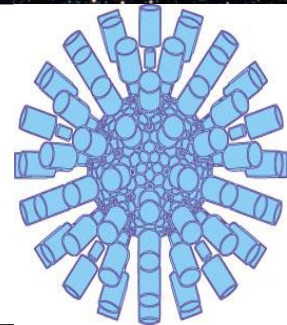
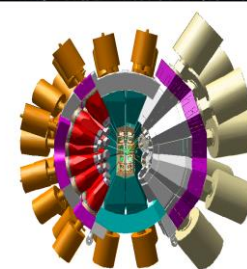
When the small shifts in three bands are plotted as a function of spin, they show a remarkable correlation which is not understood at this time.



Flibotte et al, PRL 71 (93) 4299

Haslip et al., PRL 78, 3447 (1997).

Haslip et al., PRC 58 (98) R2649



Dudek published a significant number of papers on these topics, e.g.

- "Abundance and Systematics of Nuclear Superdeformed States: Relation to the Pseudospin and Pseudo-SU(3) Symmetries" (1987) Authors: J. Dudek, W. Nazarewicz, Z. Szymanski, and G. A. Leander, *Physical Review Letters*, 59, 1405.
- "Additivity of Quadrupole Moments in Superdeformed Bands: Single-Particle Motion at Extreme Conditions" (1996) Authors: W. Satuła, J. Dobaczewski, J. Dudek, and W. Nazarewicz, *Physical Review Letters*, 77(26), 5182.
- "Time-odd components in the rotating mean field and identical bands", J. Dobaczewski and J. Dudek, *Acta Phys. Pol. B* 27, 45 (1996)
- [Y]4-type symmetry effects in nuclei pro's and contra's, Dudek, J. Dobaczewski, J. Luo, W.D., Bouguettoucha, A., Li, X.

BUT STILL VERY MUCH A MYSTERY!

TO BOLDLY
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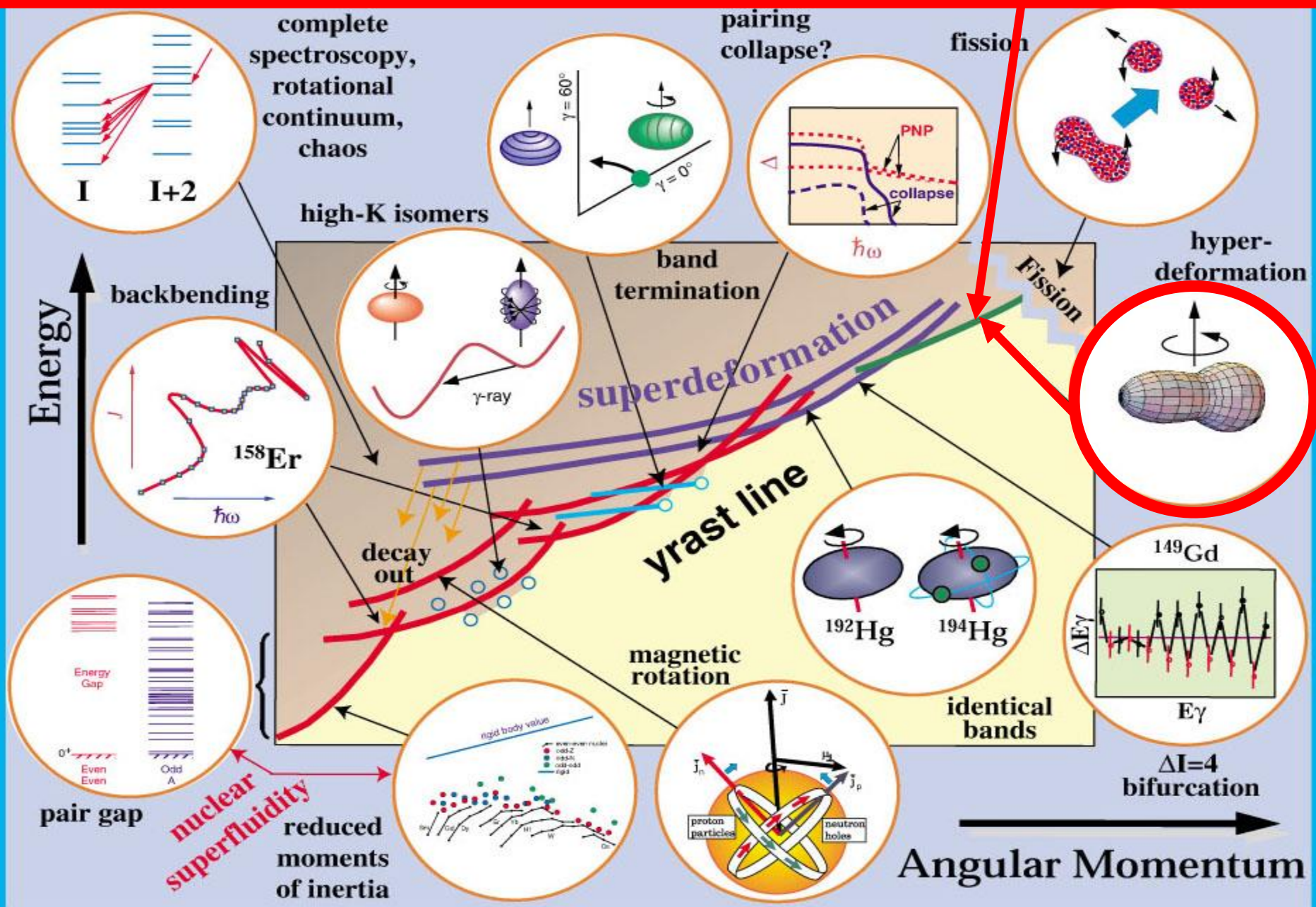




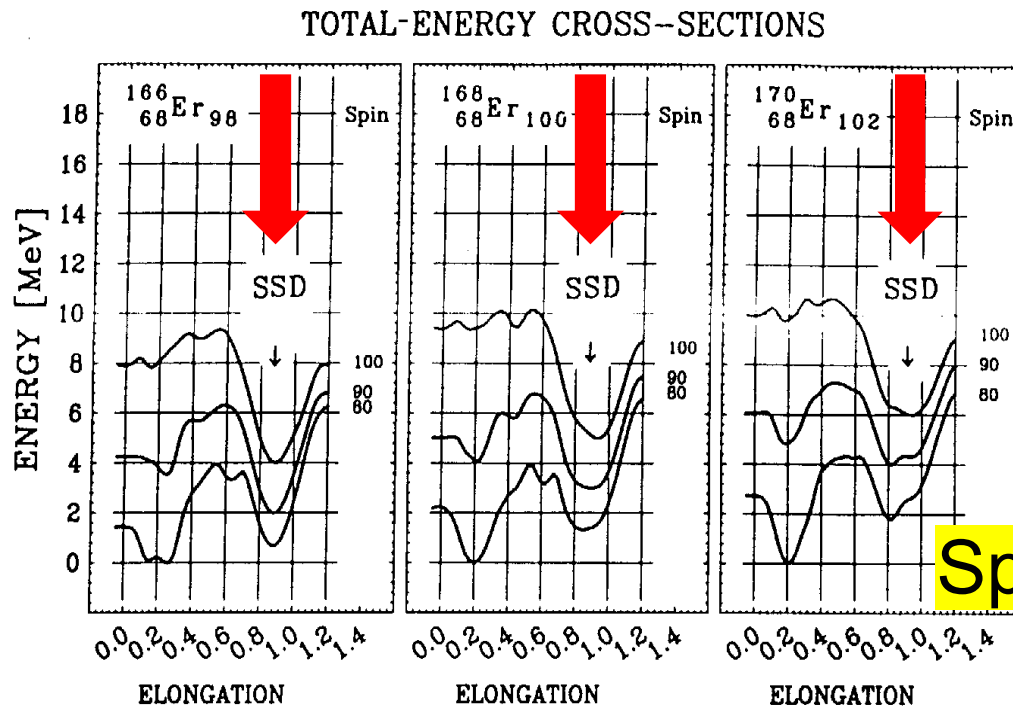
1988: HYPERDEFORMATION PREDICTION AT THE HIGHEST SPINS!

"Prediction of hyperdeformed nuclear states at very high spins" (1988),
J. Dudek, T.R. Werner, and L.L. Riedinger,
Physics Letters B, Volume 211, Issue 3, p. 252-258.

The Great Quest to observe Hyperdeformation at Ultra-High Spins



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SHAPE COEXISTENCE EFFECTS OF SUPER- AND HYPERDEFORMED CONFIGURATIONS IN ROTATING NUCLEI WITH $58 \leq Z \leq 74$

T. R. WERNER and J. DUDEK

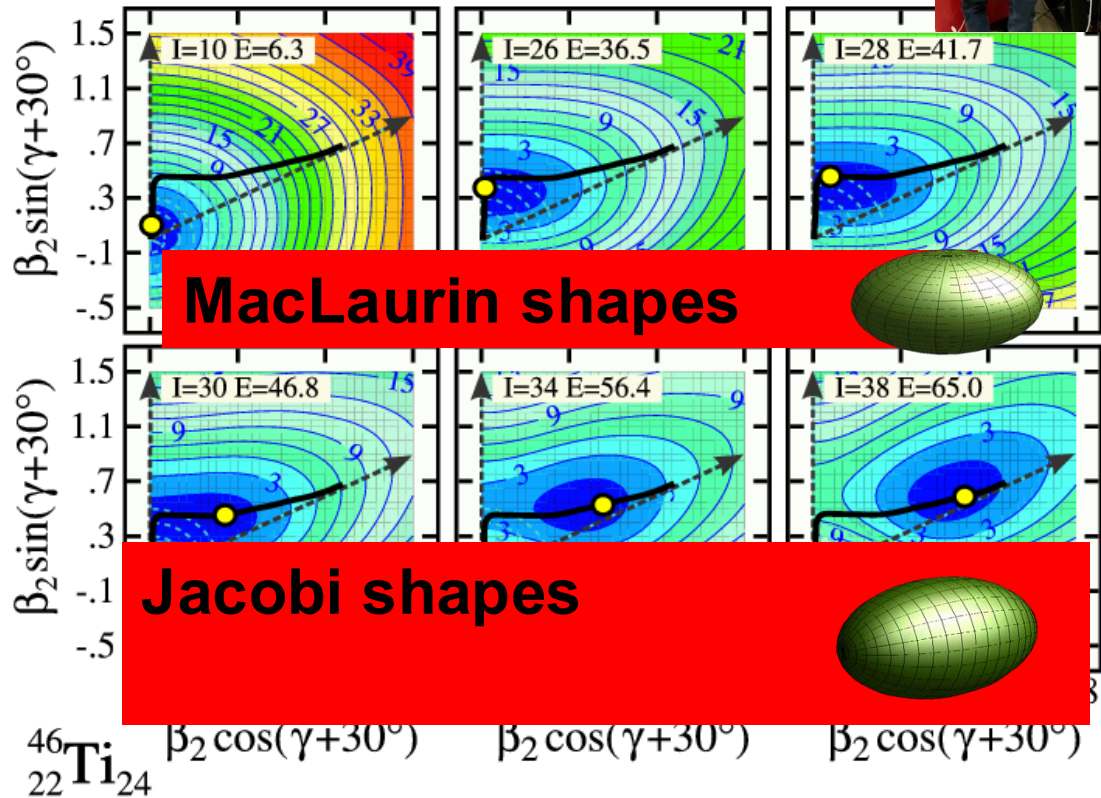
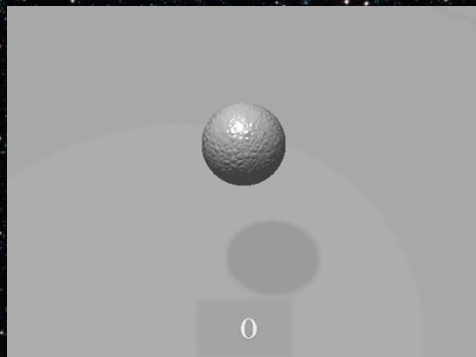
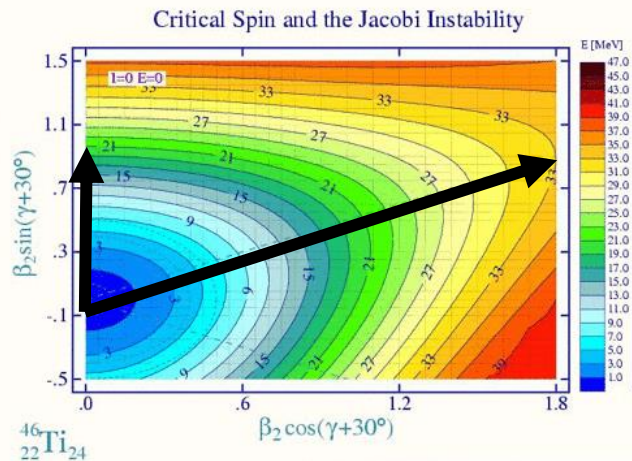
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Ben Mottelson story?

Jacobi Shapes! Slide from Adam's SSNET 2017 talk: ☺

Adam and Dudek worked closely together on this topic!

Expected shape evolution for ^{46}Ti in LSD model

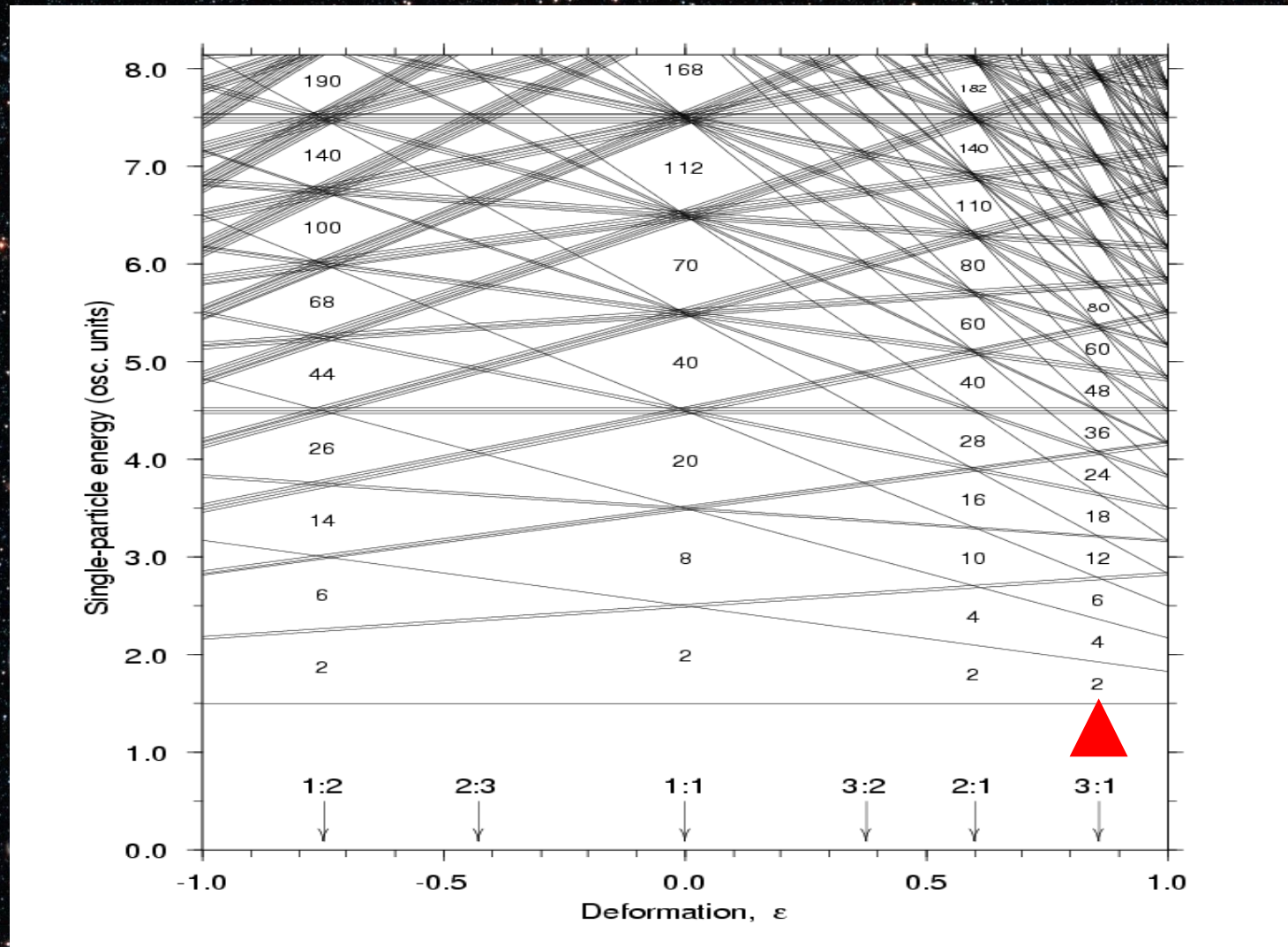


Shape evolution: Sphere → disc → tri-axial ellipsoid → “cigar” (→ fission)

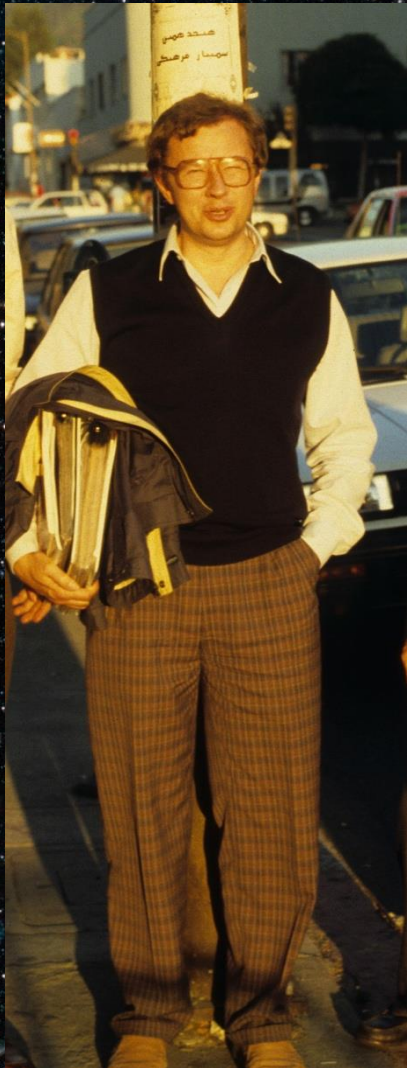
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Shell Structure

Nuclear Hyperdeformation



Harmonic oscillator



DUDEK'S INFLUENCE CONTINUES

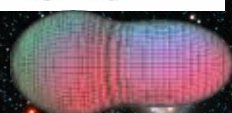
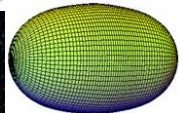
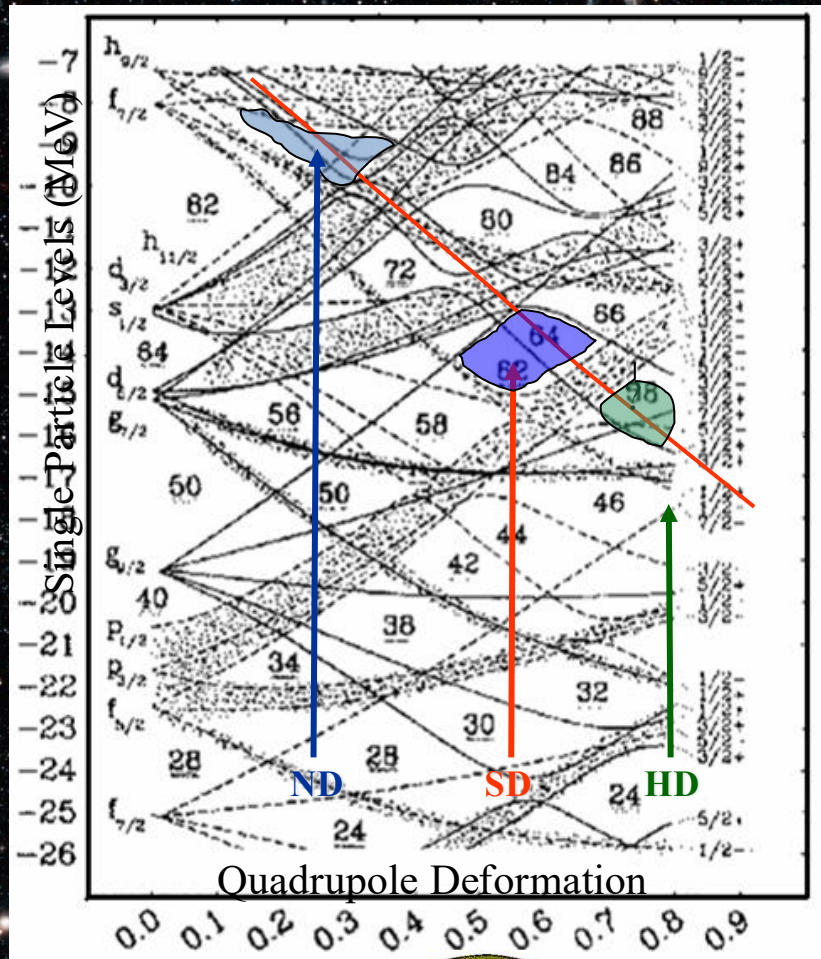
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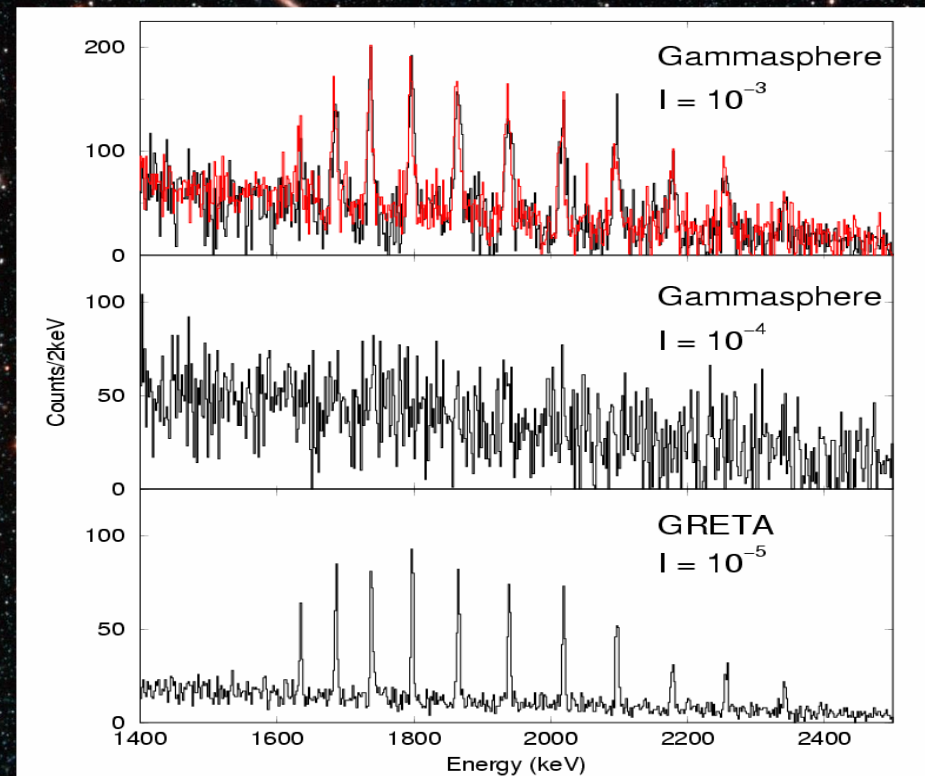


Can ultra-high spin hyperdeformed nuclei exist?

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Potential



Fusion reactions
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high γ -ray multiplicity
GRETA/AGATA advantage
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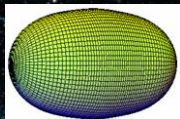
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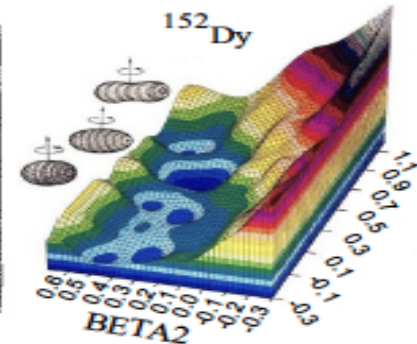
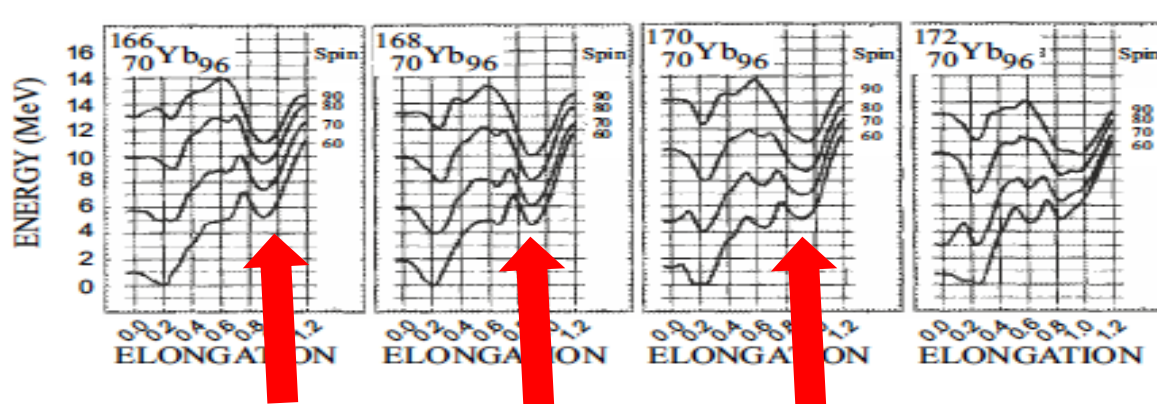
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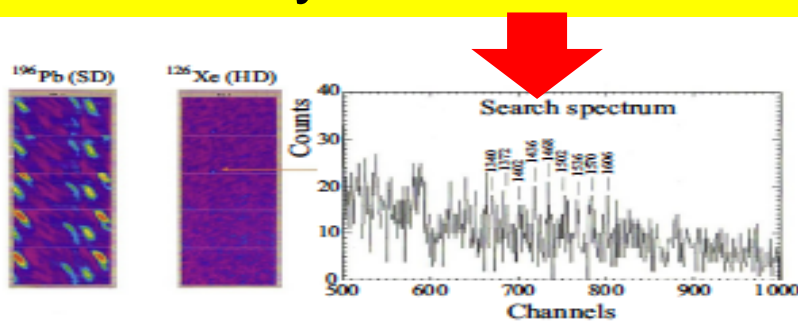


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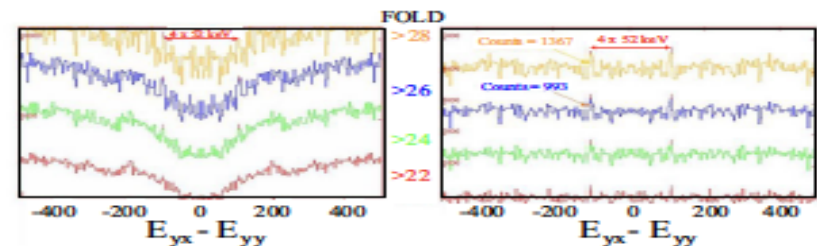
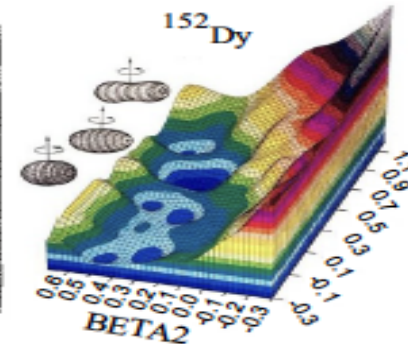
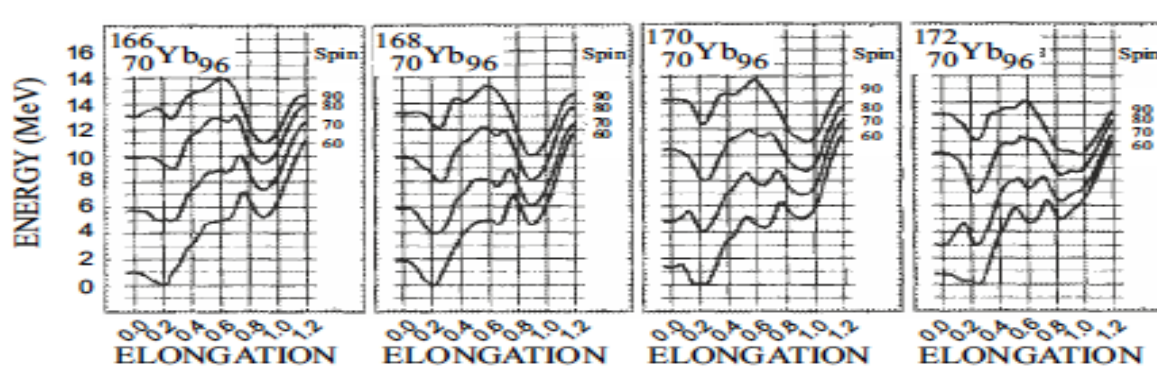


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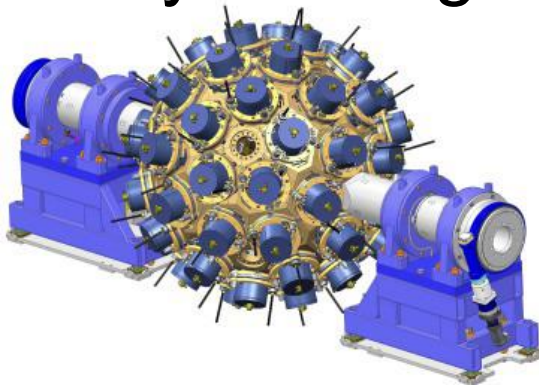
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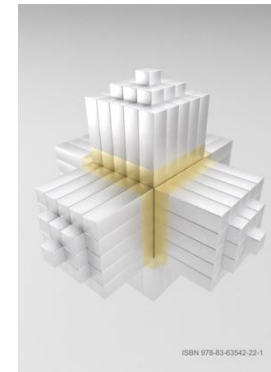
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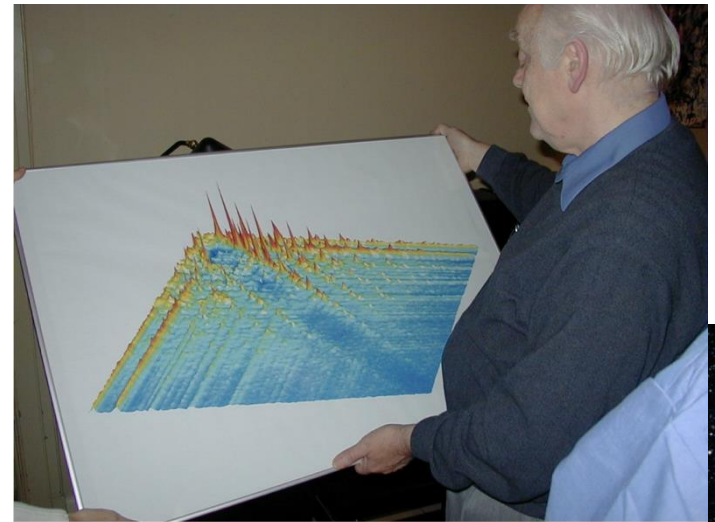
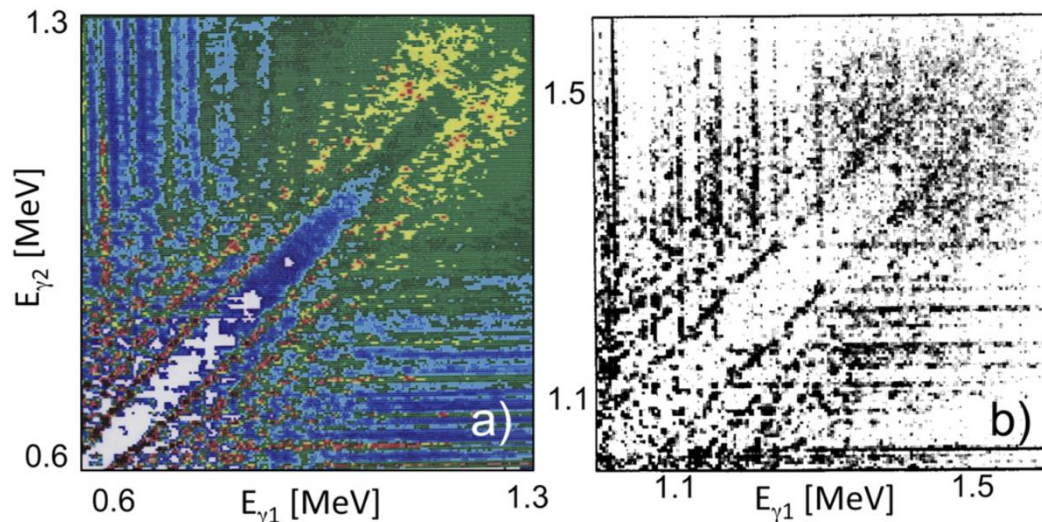
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Perhaps as with SD studying the continuum will lead to HD discovery at ultra-high spin?

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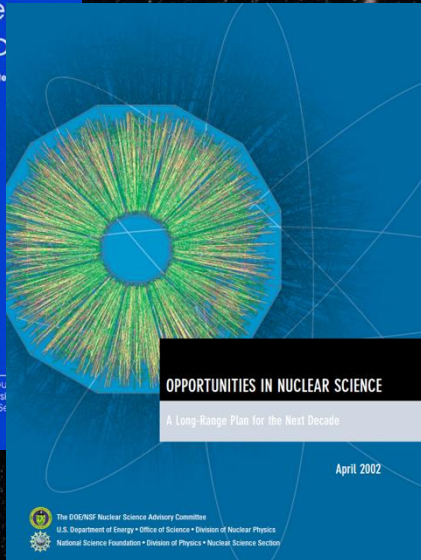


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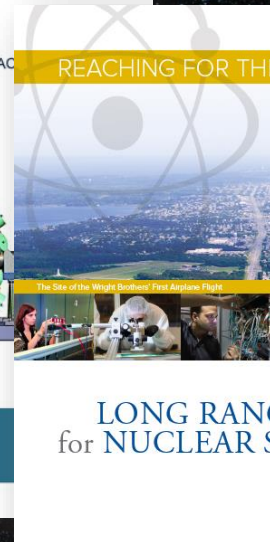
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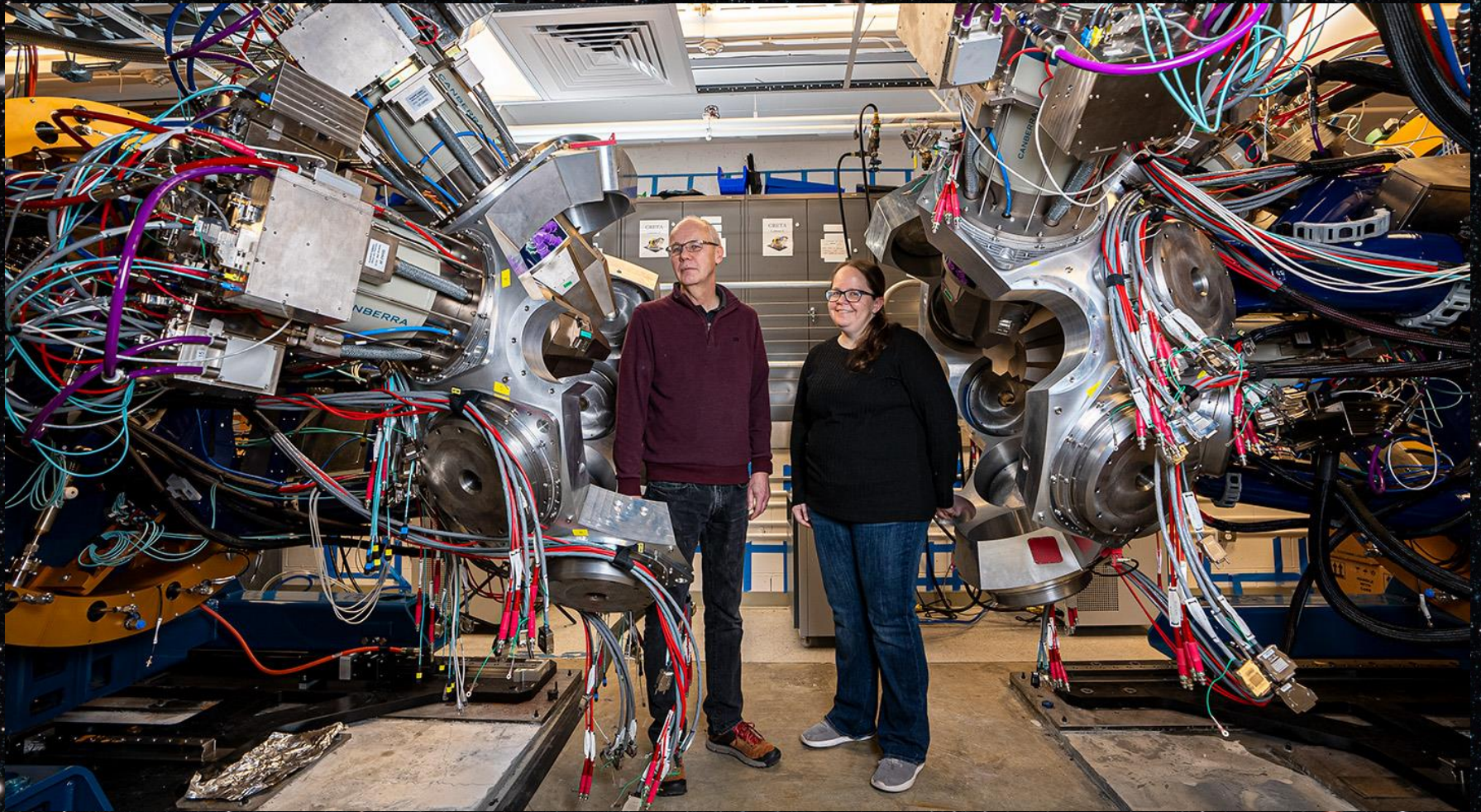
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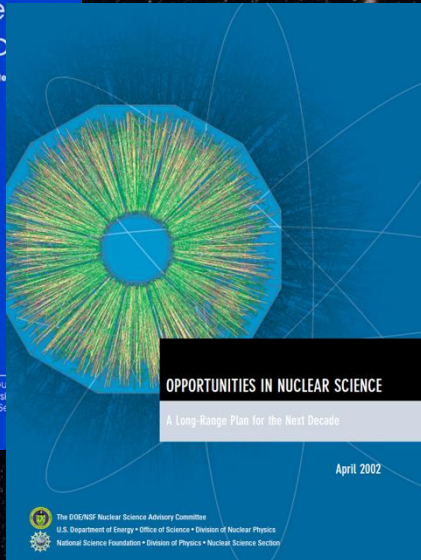


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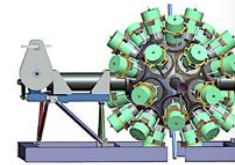
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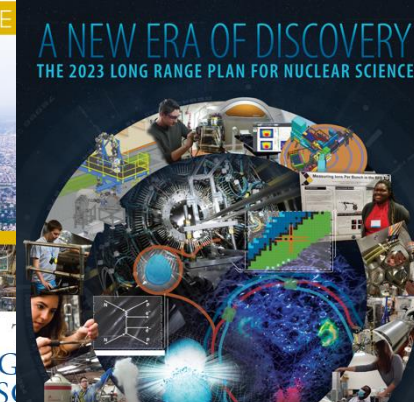


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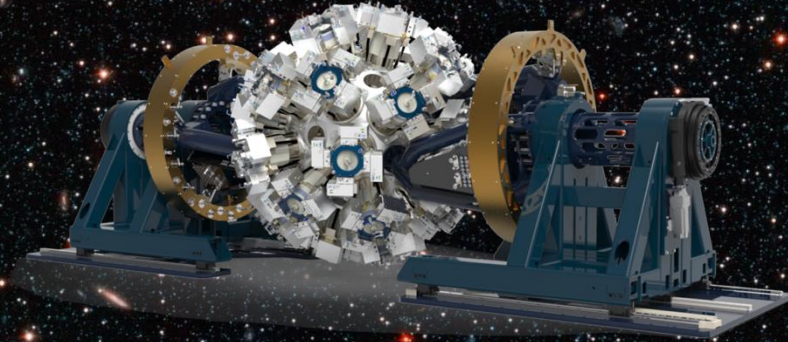


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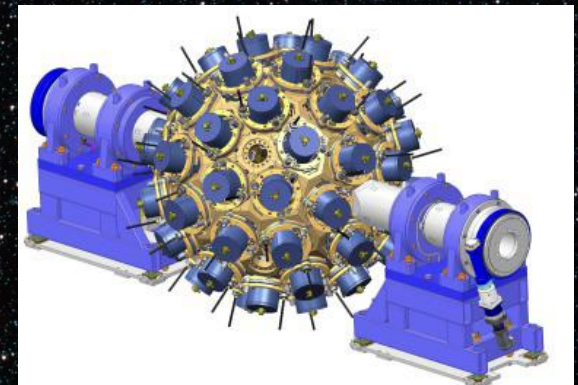
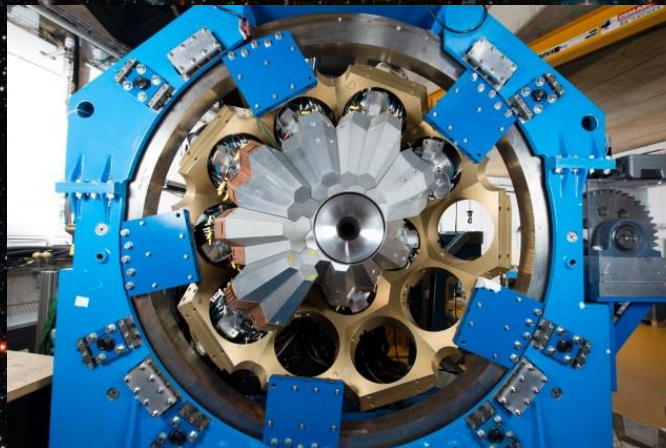
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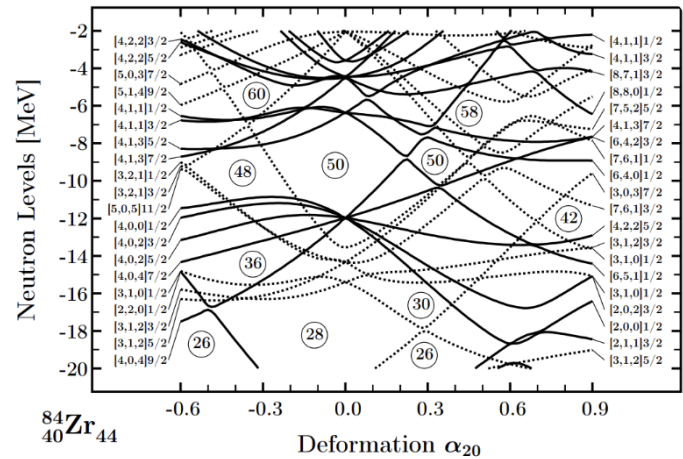
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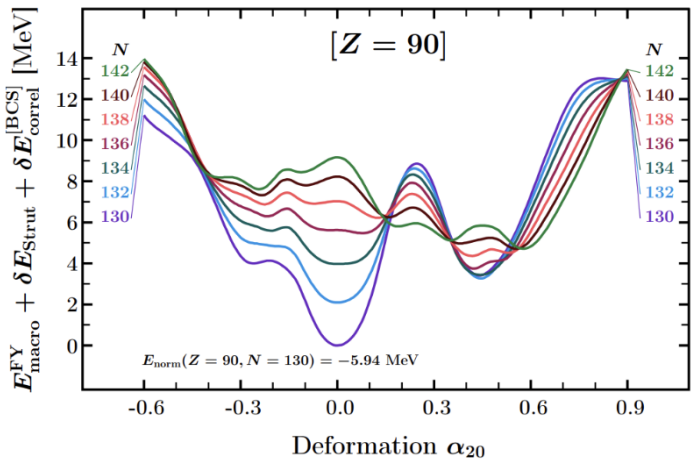
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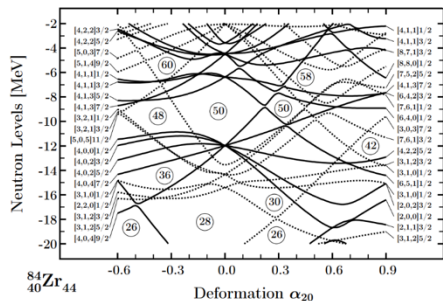
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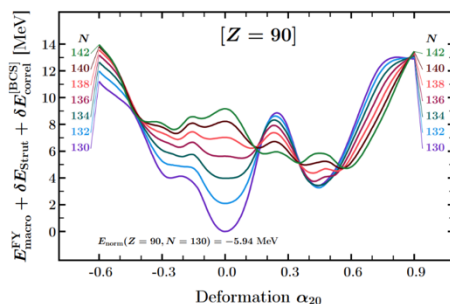


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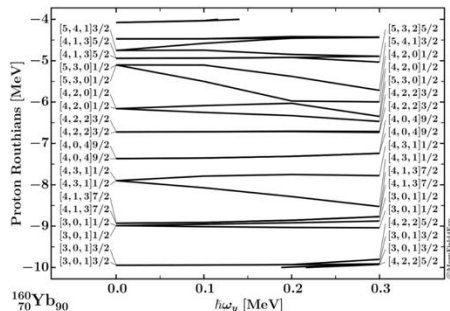
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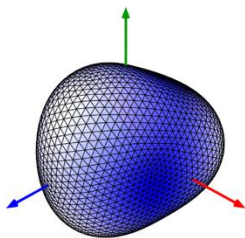
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3D Nuclear Surface

Generate 3d diagrams of the nuclear shapes for customized deformations.

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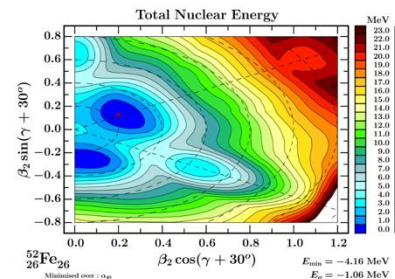
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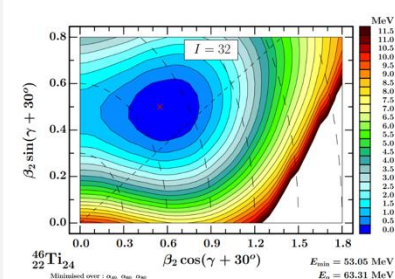
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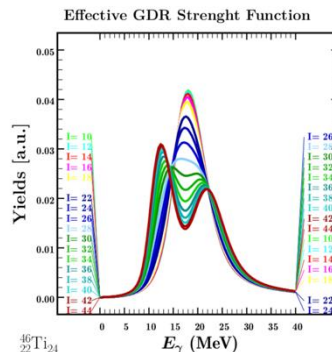
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Giant Dipole Resonances (!beta version!)

Generating effective GDR strenght function for given spins and temperature.



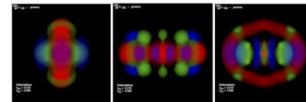
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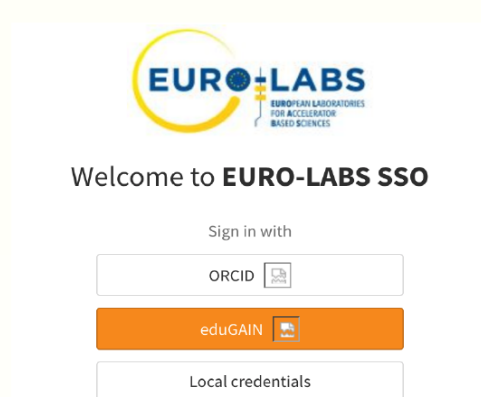
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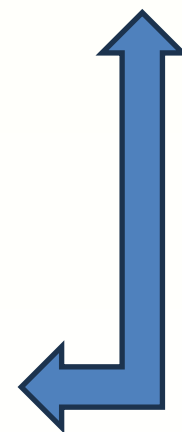


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To: adam.maj@ifj.edu.pl
Subject: MeanField4Exp - Fantastic!

Hi Adam,

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What a triumph for the collective efforts of Jerzy
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Conor



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Thanks Jerzy, Costel, Amel etc 😊😊😊



At Bent Herskind's house in 1989, 3 Month NBI Workshop! Dudek, Geirr Sletten and Alison Riley



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