

Neutron emission from unbound states in ^{135}Sn

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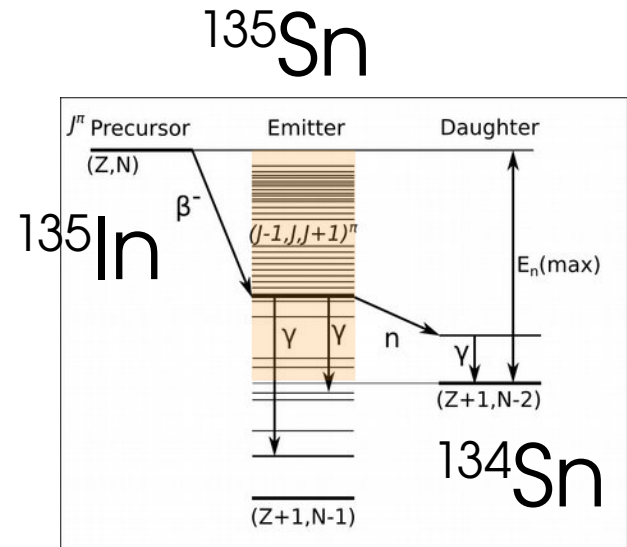
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Previous IDS decay studies of ^{133}In , ^{134}In and ^{135}In

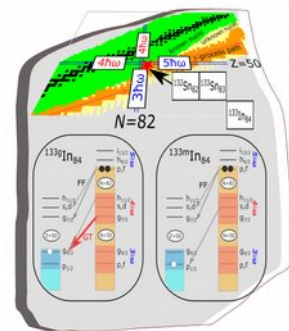
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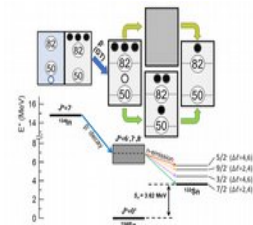


Gamma-ray spectroscopy:

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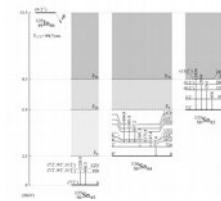
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First β -decay spectroscopy of ^{135}In and new β -decay branches of ^{134}In

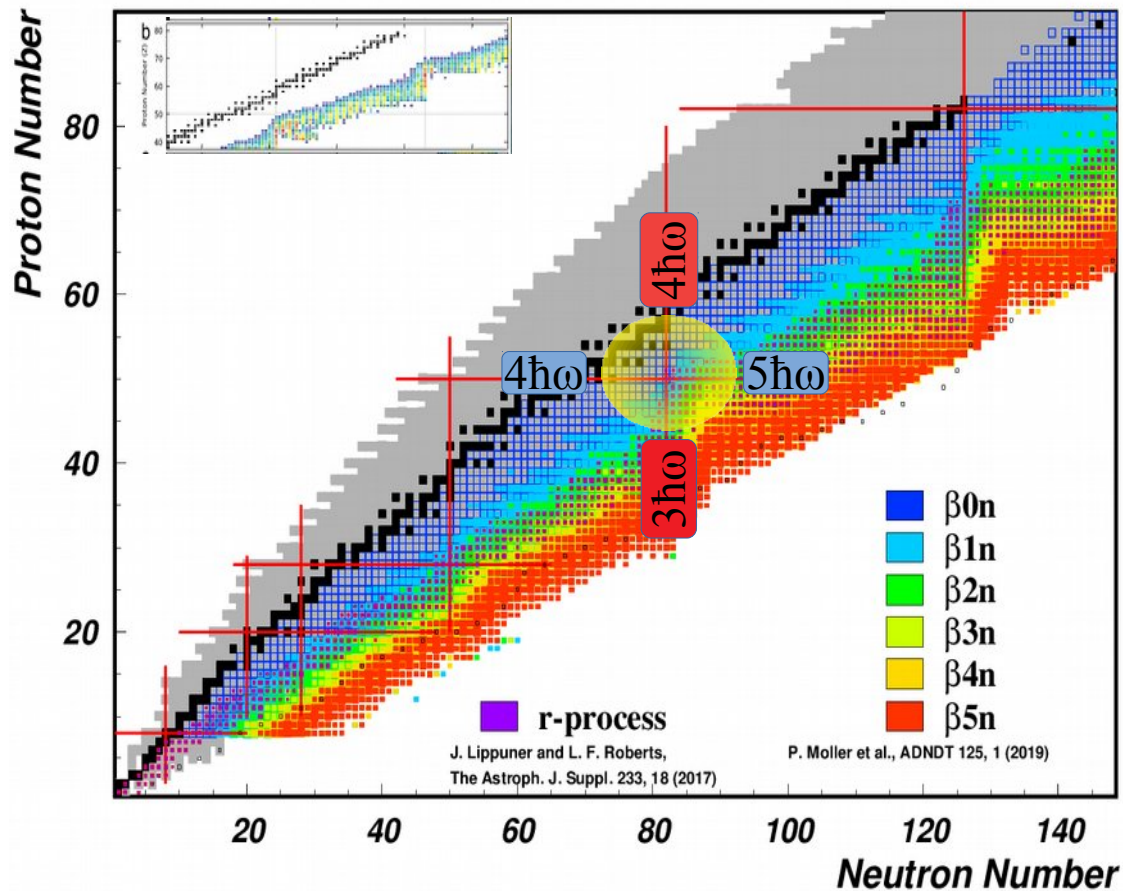
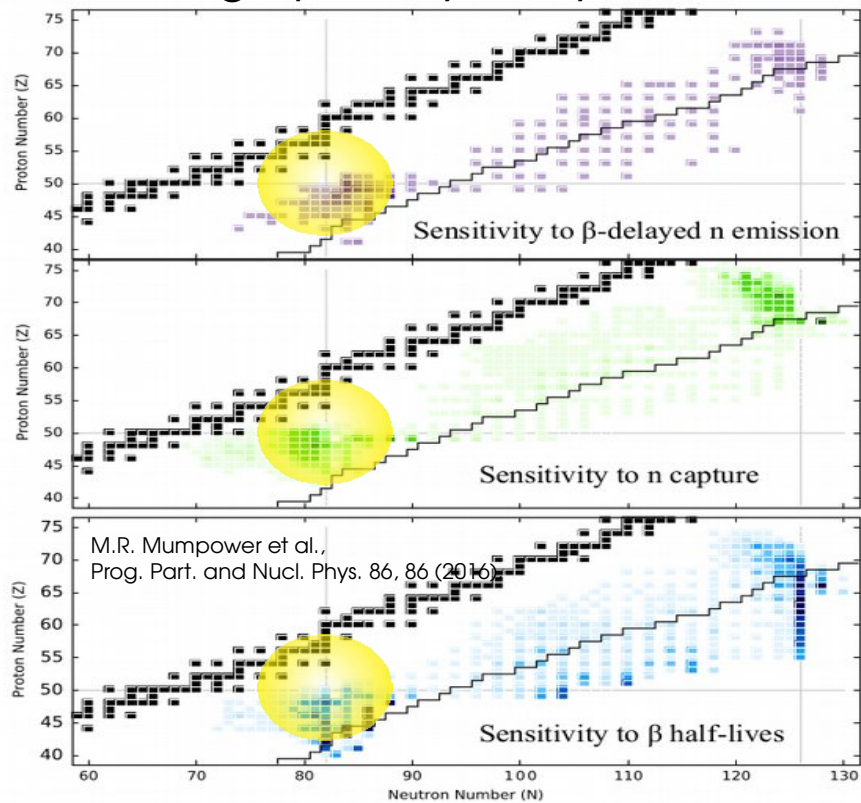
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The ^{132}Sn region: nuclear structure meets astrophysics

Validate nuclear structure models
with large pn asymmetry.



Uncomplicated decays near ^{132}Sn

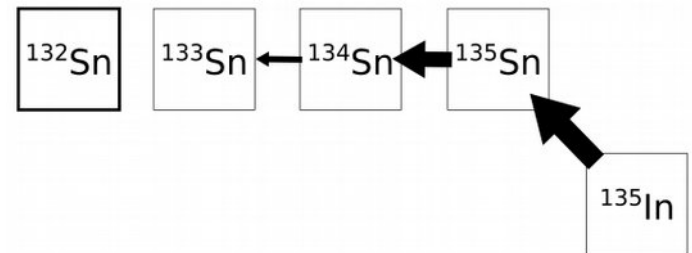
Experiment will probe directly the underpinning of physics which determines beta decay properties of neutron rich nuclei.

Verification of models of beta-delayed neutron emission
(nuclear structure, astrophysics and applications).
Studies of excited states in Sn isotopes.



Goals of the proposal:

- i. Measurement of the main allowed Gamow-Teller decay channel $\nu g_{7/2} \rightarrow \pi g_{9/2}$ via its neutron emission.
- ii. Direct identification of the First-Forbidden transitions to neutron unbound states in ^{135}Sn .
- iii. Two-neutron emission from the excited states in ^{135}Sn .
- iv. Expansion of the ^{134}Sn and ^{135}Sn level schemes.

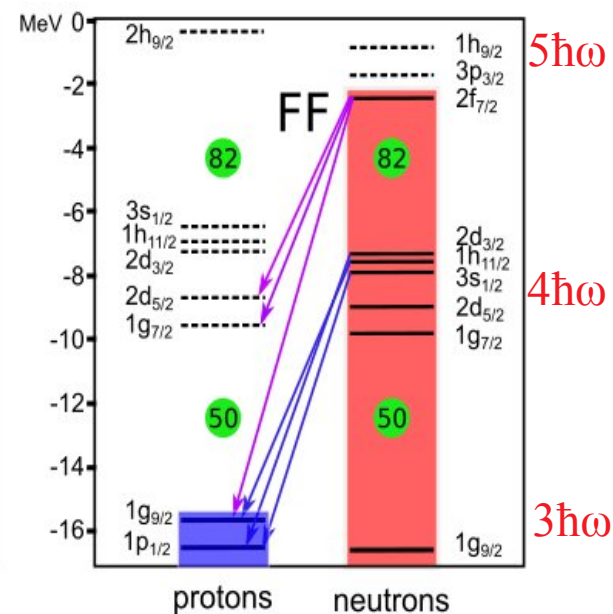
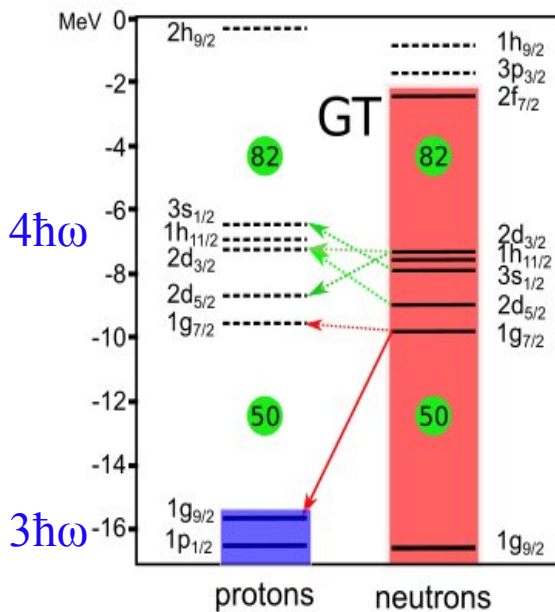
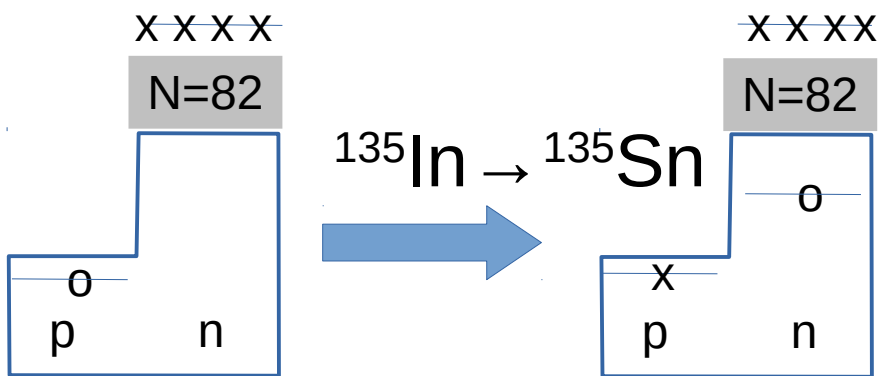


The microscopic origins of nuclear lifetimes

Allowed GT and FF transitions near ^{132}Sn

Dominant transitions

GT: $\nu g_{7/2} \rightarrow \pi g_{9/2}$



FF: $\nu h_{11/2} \rightarrow \pi g_{9/2}$

$\nu f_{7/2} \rightarrow \pi g_{7/2}$

Beta decay near ^{132}Sn ($Z < 50$) - shell model

^{88}Sr core (38 protons and 50 neutrons) + N3LO nn forces (Kshell)

neutrons $0g_{7/2}, 1d_{5/2}, 1d_{3/2}, 2s_{1/2}, 0h_{11/2}, 1f_{7/2}$

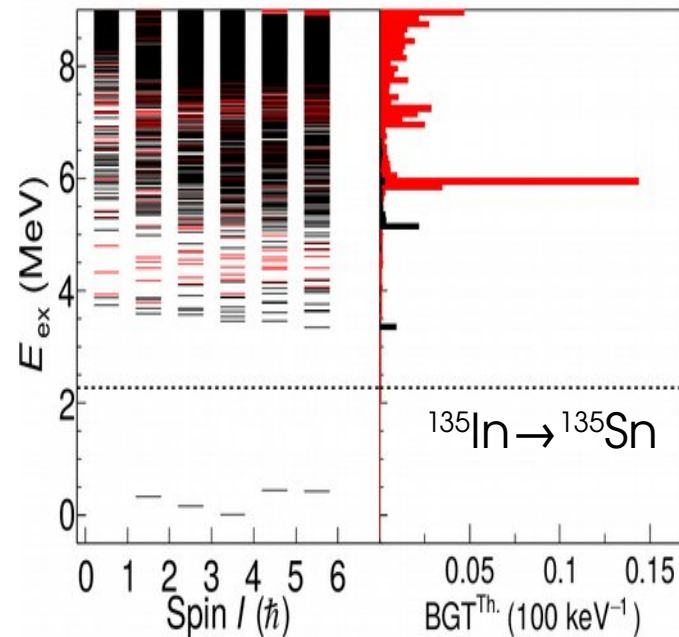
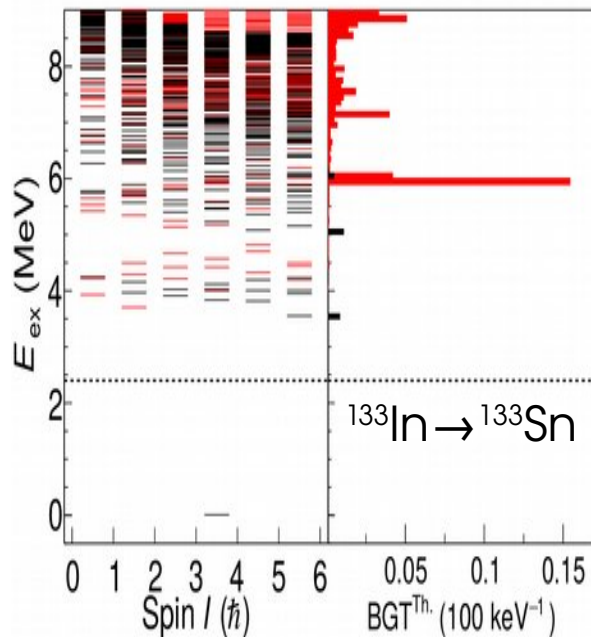
protons $1p_{1/2}, 0g_{9/2}, 0g_{7/2}, 1d_{5/2}, 1d_{3/2}, 2s_{1/2}$

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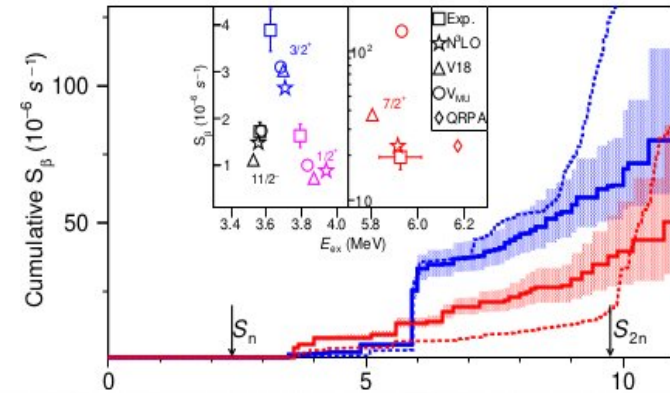
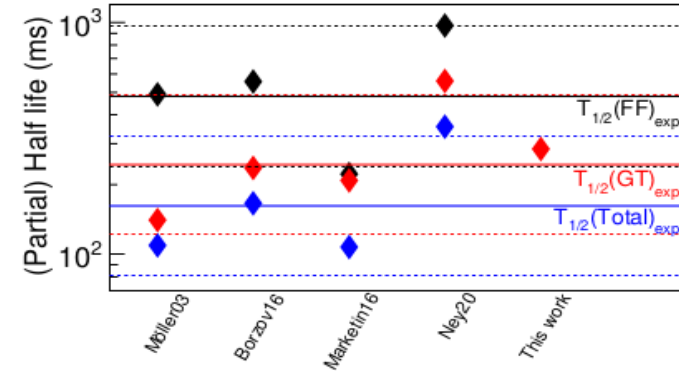
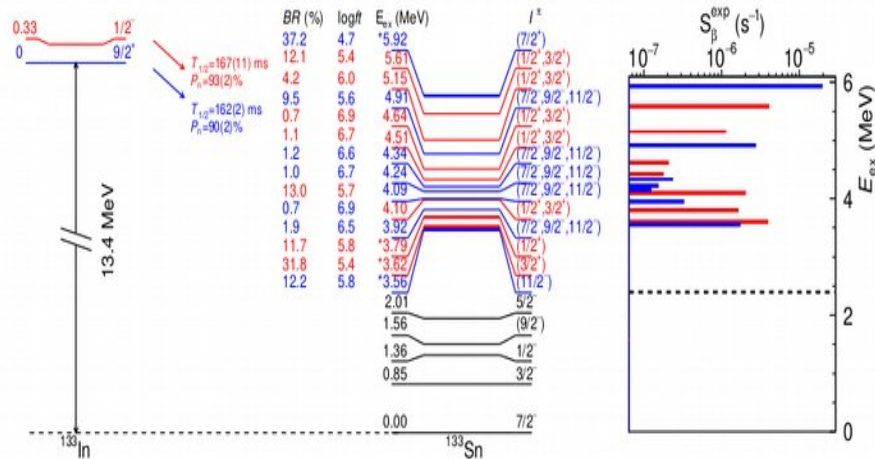
From ^{133}In to ^{135}In

- nearly identical GT $\nu g_{7/2} \rightarrow \pi g_{9/2}$ and FF $\nu h_{11/2} \rightarrow \pi g_{9/2}$
- larger expected (FF) $\nu f_{7/2} \rightarrow \pi g_{7/2}$ (due to increased neutron number)
- increased contribution of $Z=50$ core breaking GT transitions, (increased role of $2n$ emission ?)
- very small (FF) $\nu f_{7/2} \rightarrow \pi g_{9/2}$ (g.s. to g.s.)



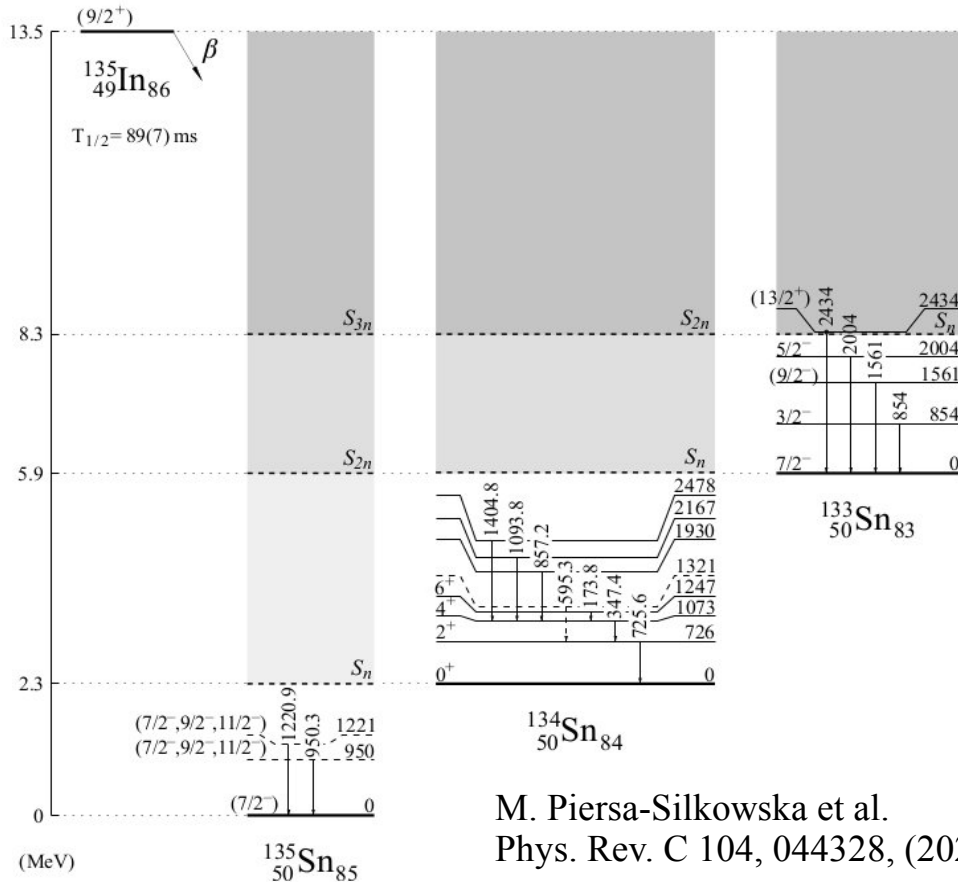
The decay of ^{133}In - a rosetta stone for the r-process nuclei

- Key nucleus to test nuclear models of n-rich nuclei
- Quantified role of “elementary” GT and FF transitions
- Candidate for the ab-initio calculations of GT strength
- Excellent agreement with N3L0 shell-model predictions ($q = 0.6$)
- Other interactions drastically overestimated the main GT strength
- Fragmentation of the wavefunction close to ^{132}Sn .
- Global models do not describe the data well
- Only Borzow QRPA predicted correctly the partial FF and GT lifetimes



The decay of ^{133}In : a rosetta stone for the r-process nuclei

^{135}In decay: gamma-ray spectroscopy

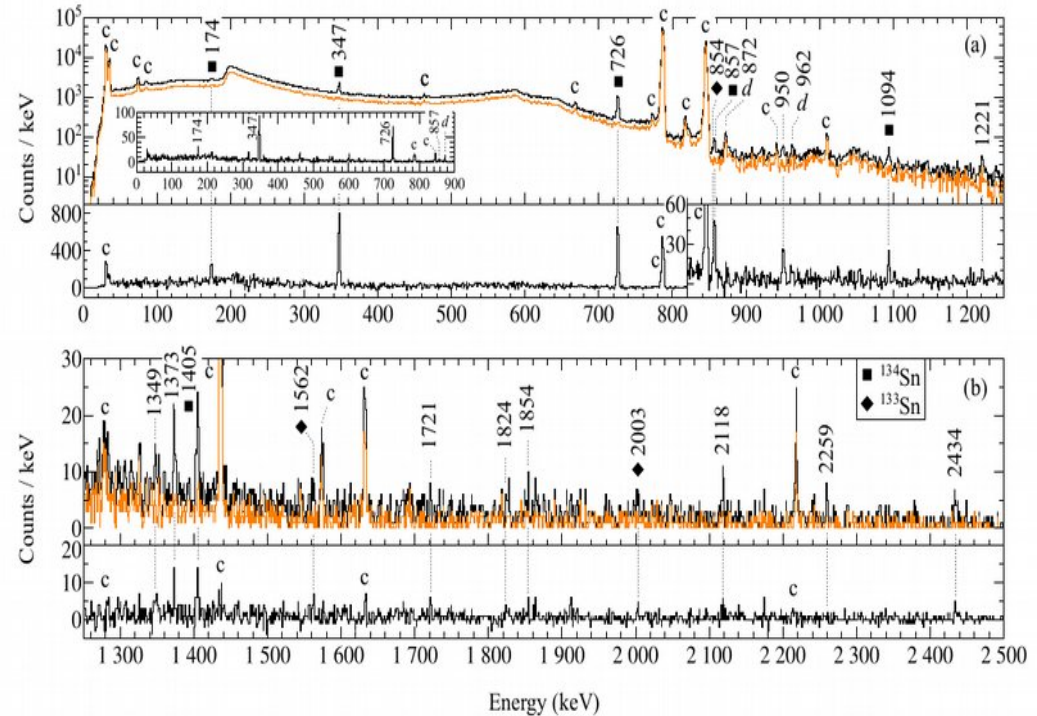


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Excited states in:

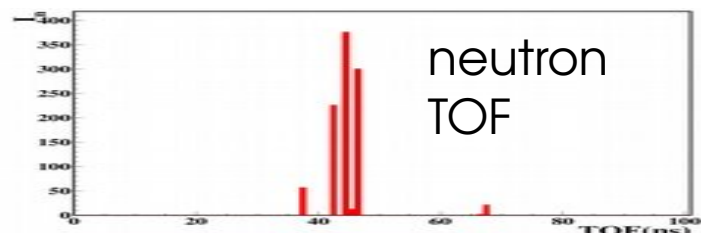
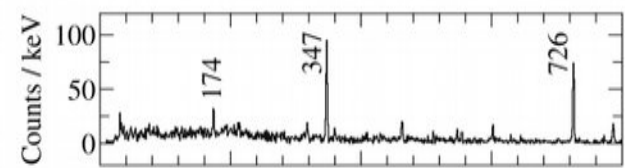
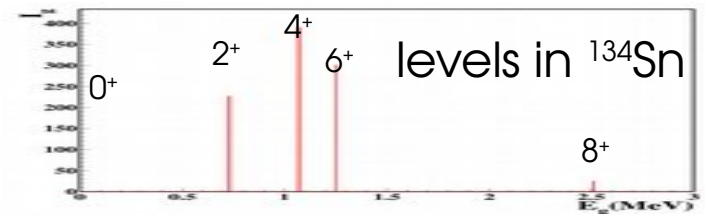
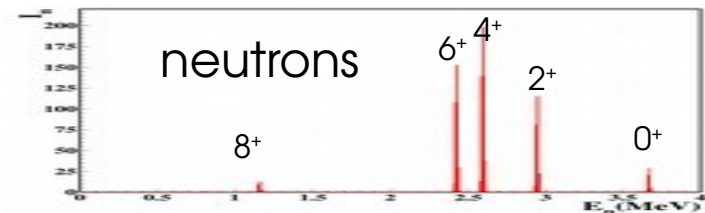
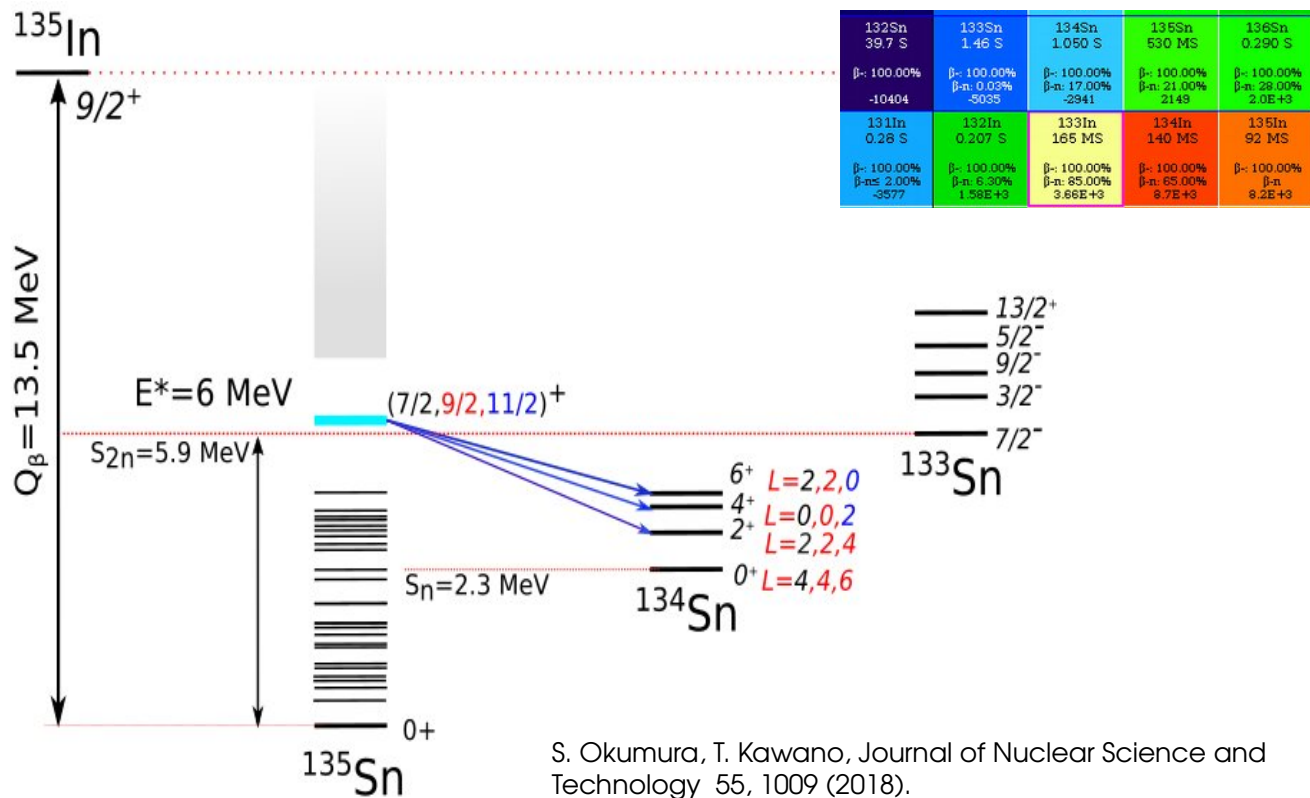
^{135}Sn ($\beta 0n$), ^{134}Sn ($\beta 1n$), ^{133}Sn ($\beta 2n$)

Contamination from $^{135}\text{Cs}^m$ ($T_{1/2} = 53$ m, $E^* = 1.6$ MeV)



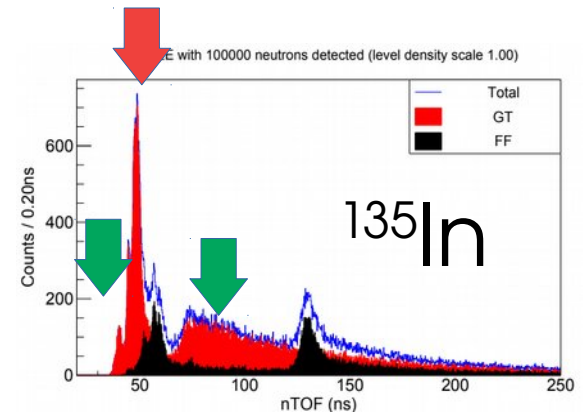
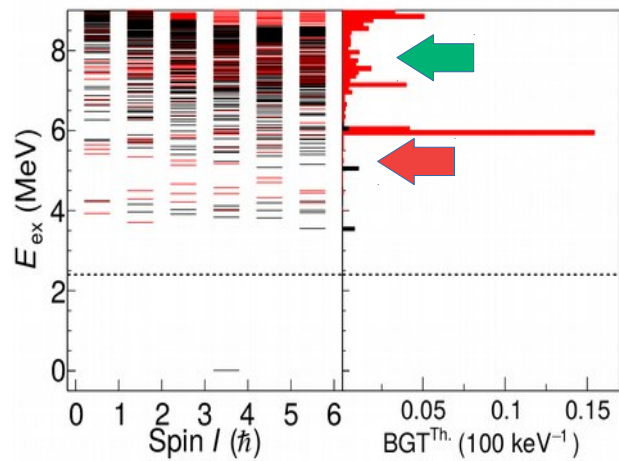
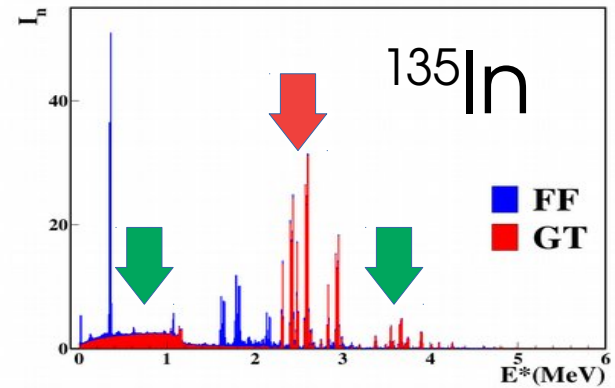
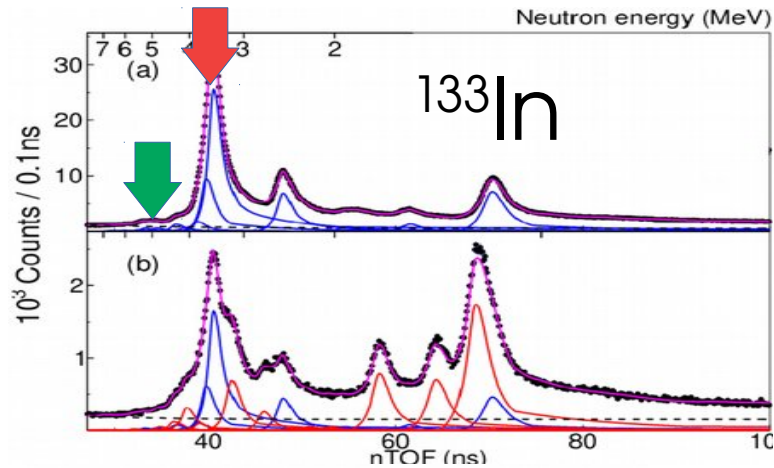
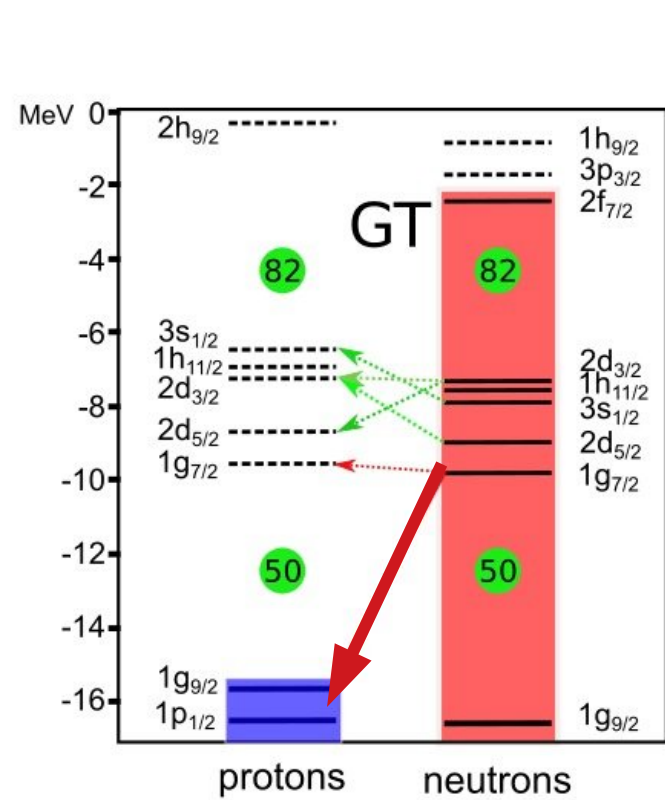
Delayed neutron emission from ^{135}In neutron -gamma cascades

Hauser-Feshbach predictions of the decay pattern of an isolated GT state.

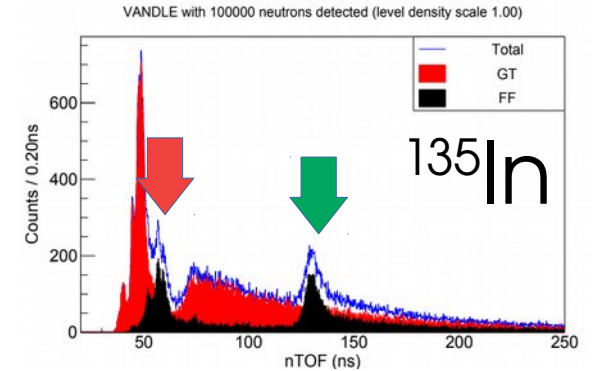
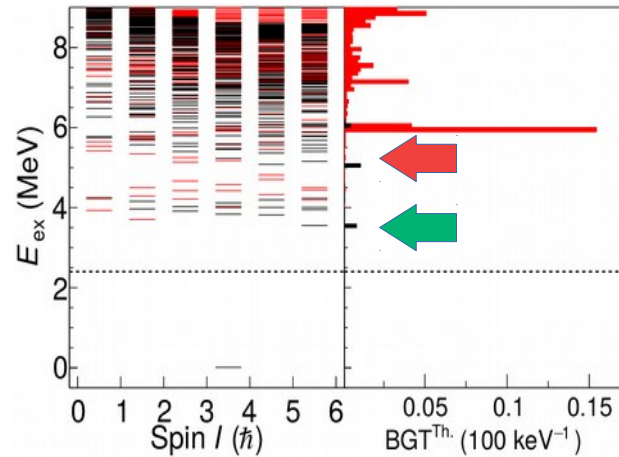
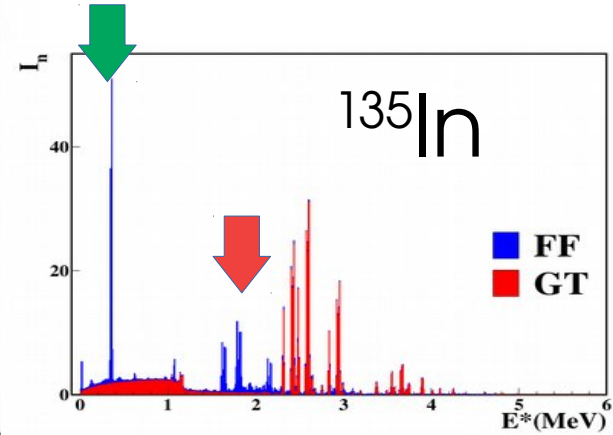
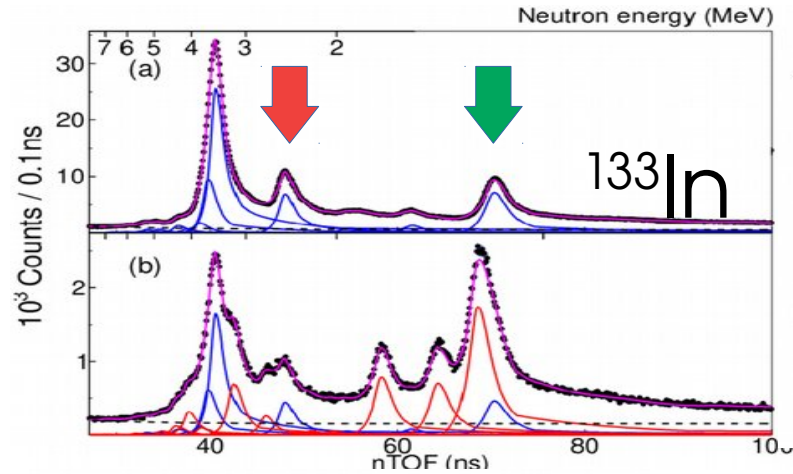
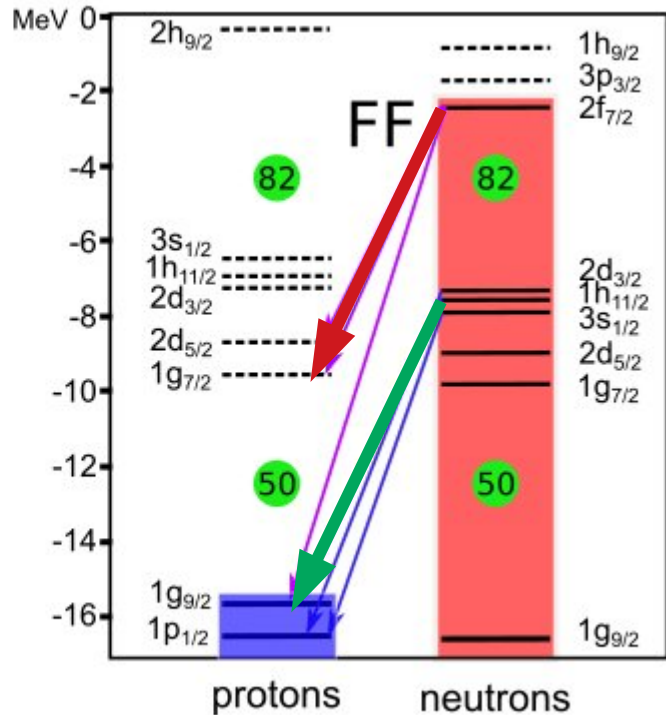


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Neutron spectroscopy (GT decays)

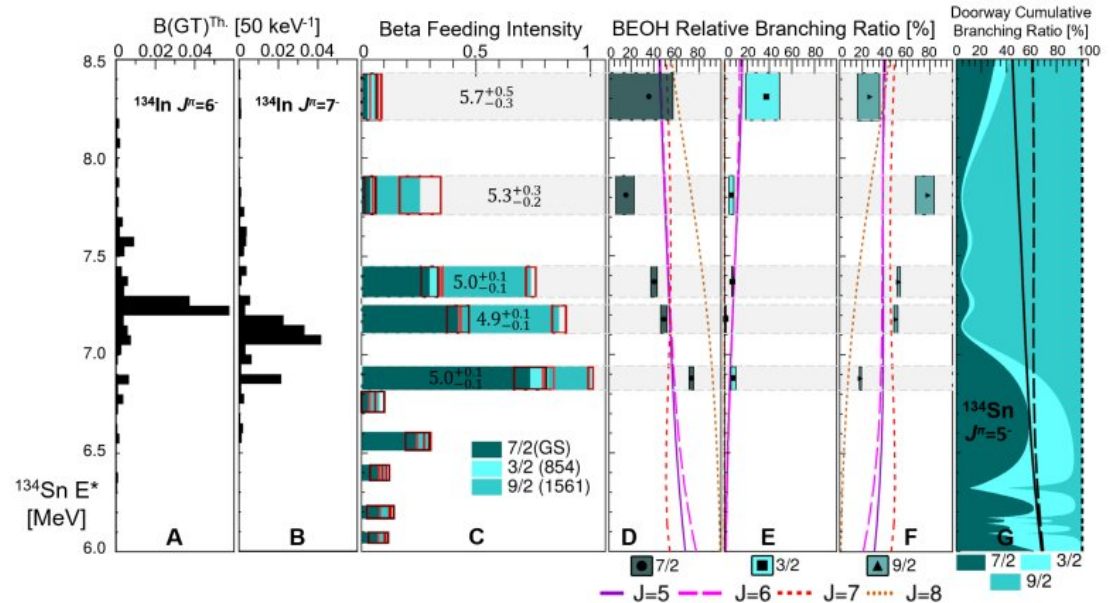
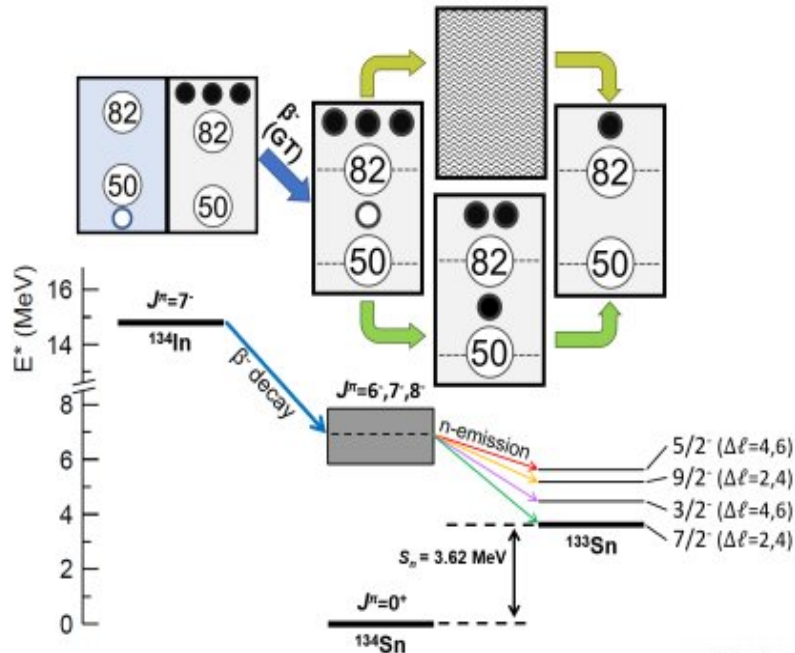


Neutron-spectroscopy (FF decays)



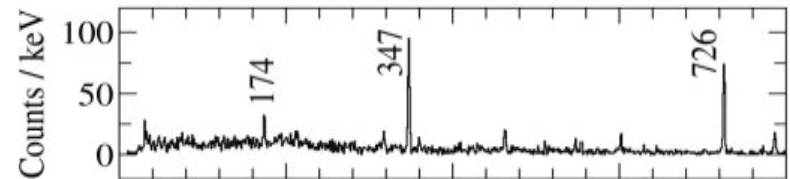
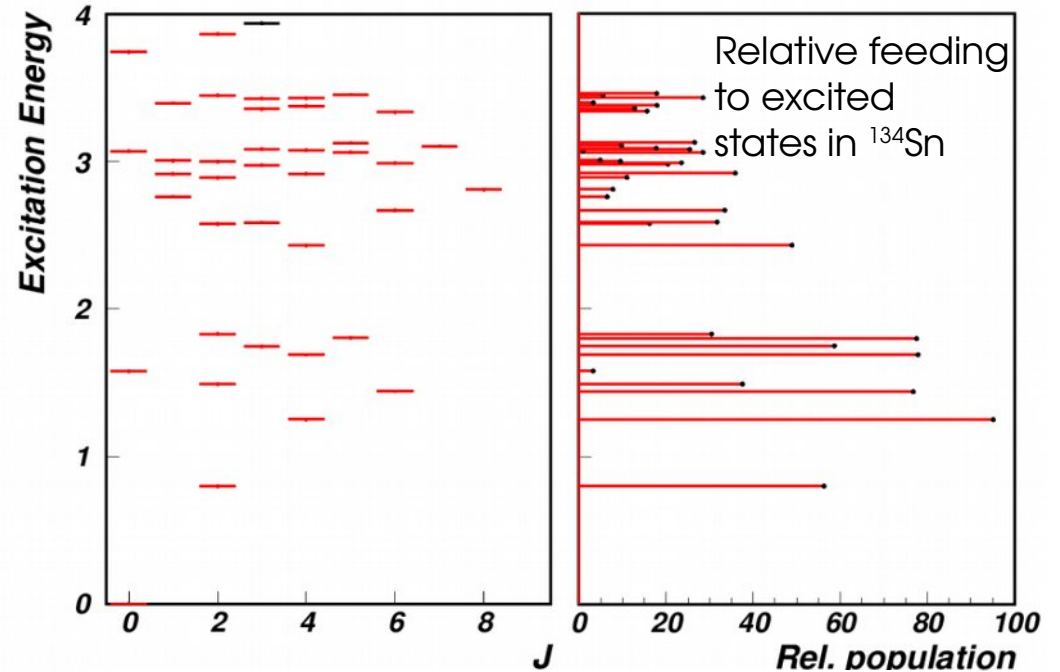
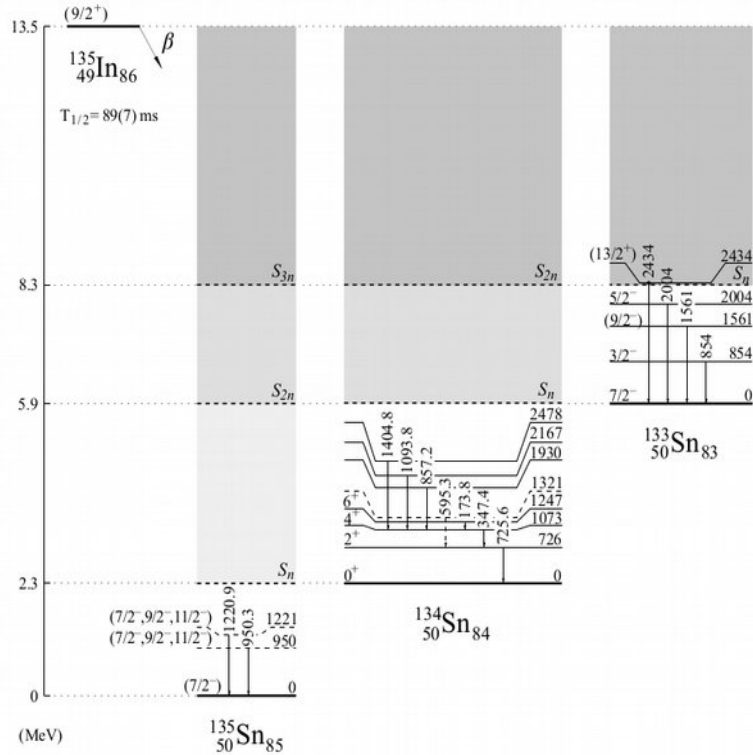
Compound or direct ?

Is the compound nucleus stage a necessary part of the neutron emission process ?
 Population of excited states in ^{133}Sn cannot be explained by the statistical model under the compound nucleus assumption.



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Excited states in ^{134}Sn : statistical model predictions



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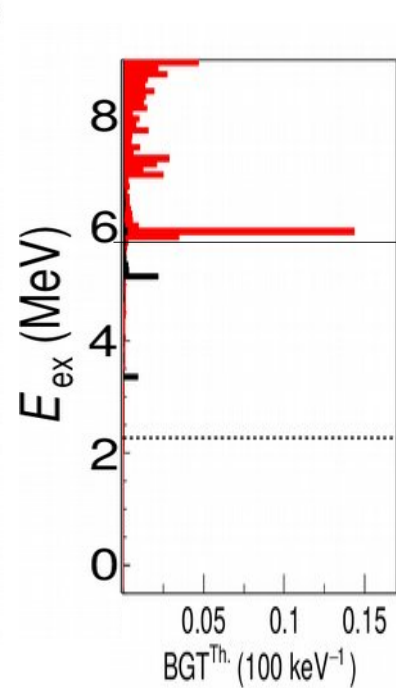
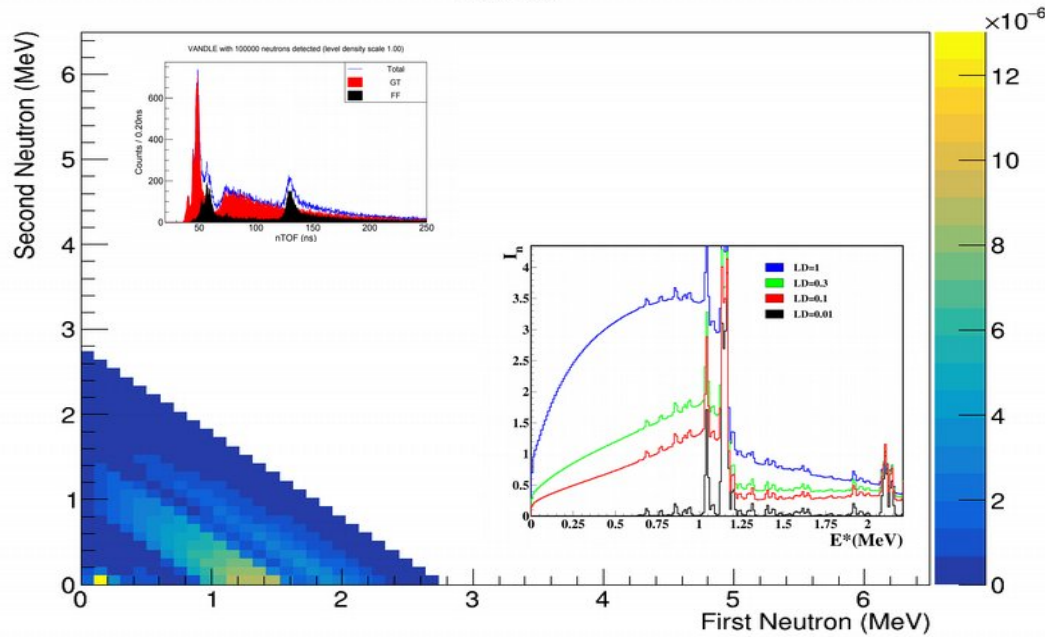
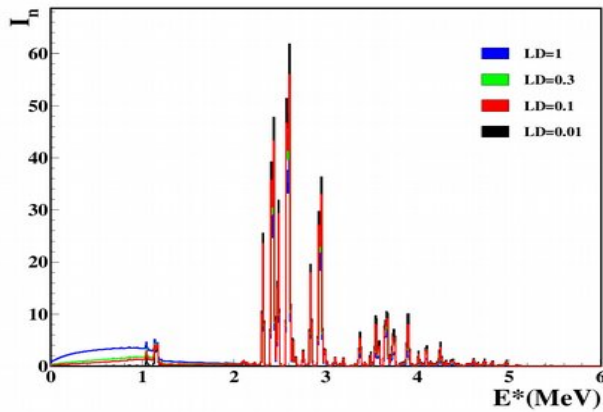
$\beta 2n$ spectroscopy of ^{135}In decay

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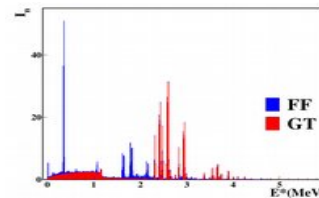
$$Q_{\beta} - S_{2n} = 7.6 \text{ MeV}$$

$$P_{2n} \sim 0.1, P_{1n} \sim 0.9$$

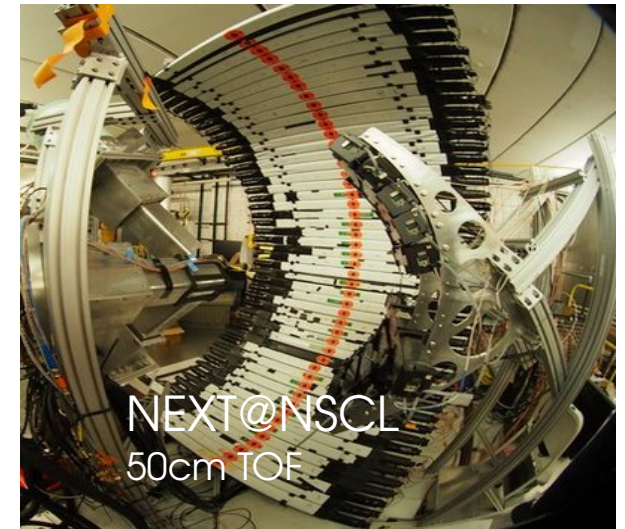
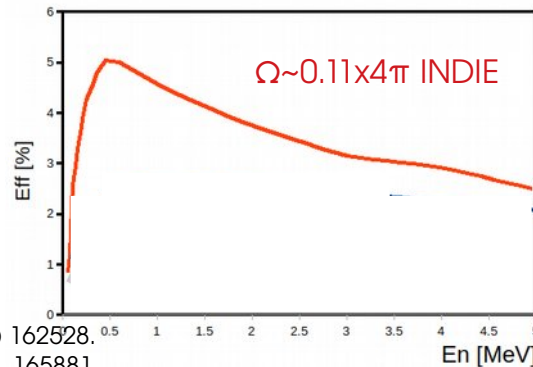
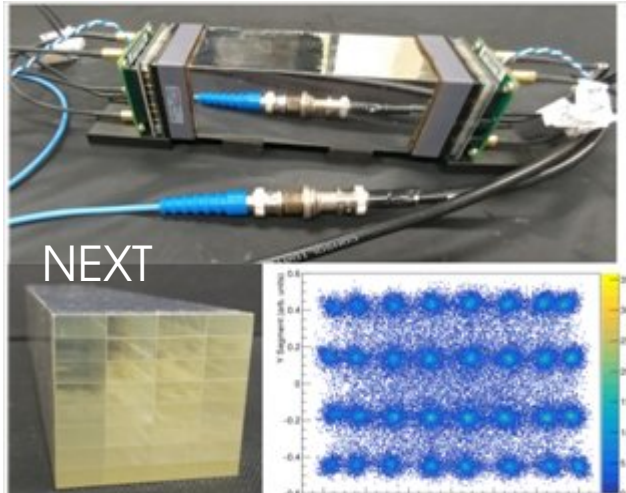
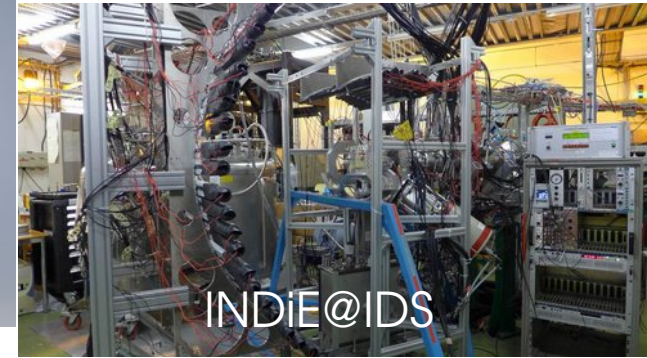
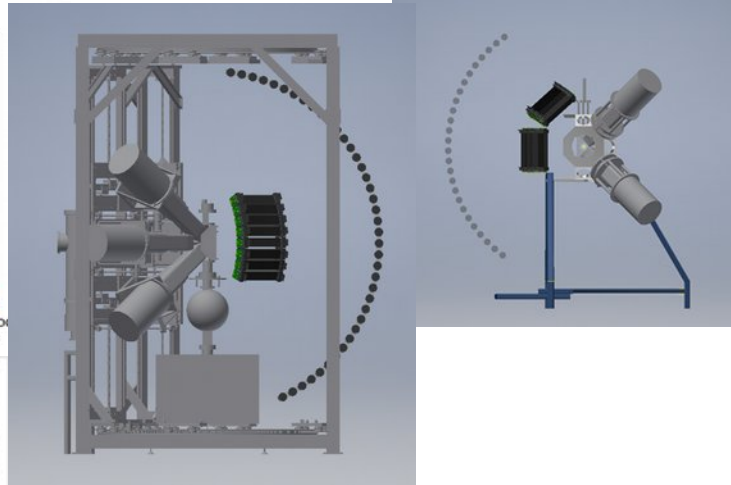
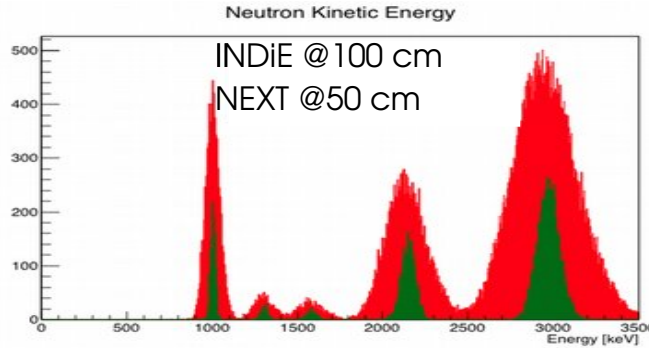
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- statistical model predicts only $P_{2n} \sim 6\%$ with “nominal” level-density parameter at ^{134}Sn
- evaluate $1n$ vs $2n$ competition
- relative population of excited states in ^{133}Sn



INDiE and NEXt arrays at IDS



Beam time request

Collect statistics sufficient to construct nn and n γ cascades.

15 shifts to collect $\sim 1 \times 10^5$ neutrons ^{134}In (INDIE)
During the 15 shifts we expect to collect about 100-200 two-neutron events.

How similar are ^{135}In and ^{133}In decays (FF and GT) ?

Evidence for non-statistical neutron (1n/ 2n) emission from ^{135}Sn ?

IDS with RILIS uniquely positioned to perform the high statistics 1n/2n spectroscopy of ^{135}In decay

Goals of the proposal:

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	P_{1n} (%)	Yield (ion/ μC)	IDSND Eff	Neutrons (1/h)	Shifts	Target	Source
^{135}In	90%	4	0.04	700	15	UC $_x$ +n.c.	Hot Ta line and cavity + RILIS
^{49}K	86%	>1000	0.04	>1.0 10^5	1	UC $_x$	Hot Ta line and cavity

