

Single particle versus collectivity, shapes of exotic nuclei

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30 years with Radioactive Ion Beam Physics**
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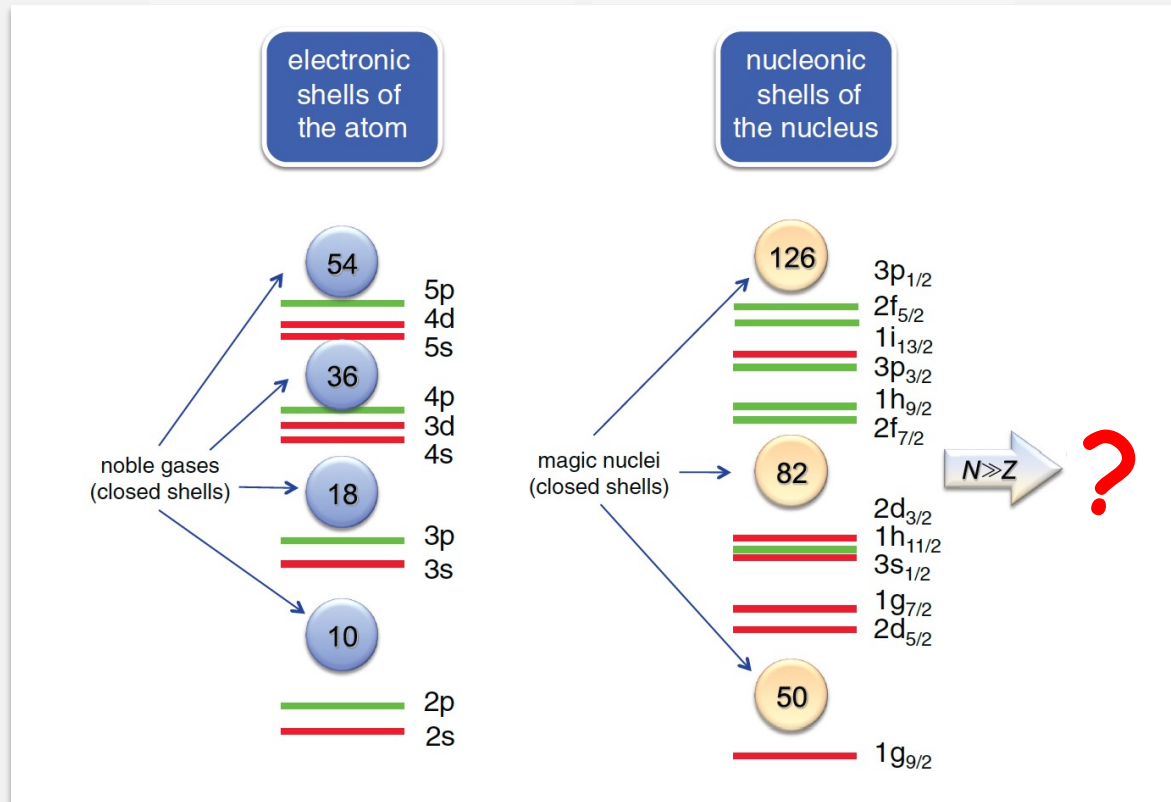
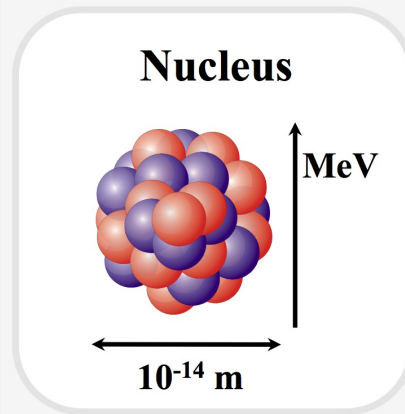
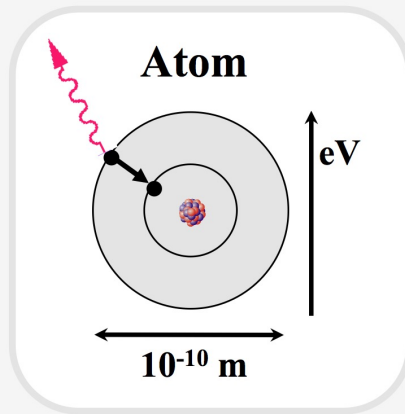
Single particle versus collectivity, shapes of exotic nuclei

- What a title ! A bit of everything ...
- Start with some reminders of “classical” nuclear physics
- What’s new over the last 30 years ?
From the perspective of an observer of the field since 1989 ...
(pure experimentalist, γ -ray spectroscopist interested in $A > 70$ nuclei)

Rewriting Nuclear Physics textbooks 30 years with Radioactive Ion Beam Physics

- Radioactive ion beams are an important part, but not the whole story !
- Small selection of examples – only limited time ...
- I will simplify (hopefully without getting things wrong), omit, not always show latest etc.
- Try to avoid topics which others may already have shown

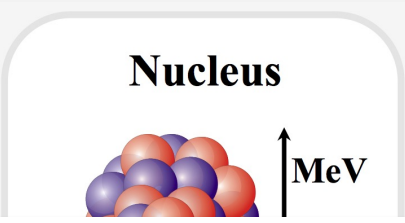
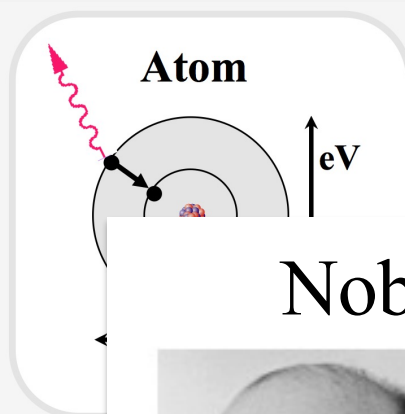
The shell structure of atomic nuclei



Remember:
Two independent parameters
in atomic nuclei, Z and N !

"Shell evolution":
Next part of my talk ...

The shell structure of atomic nuclei



Nobel Prize in Physics 1963



Eugene Paul Wigner
Prize share: 1/2

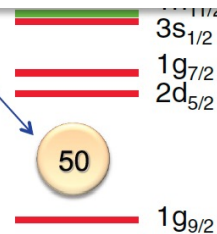
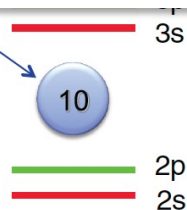


Maria Goeppert Mayer
Prize share: 1/4



J. Hans D. Jensen
Prize share: 1/4

noble gases
(closed shells)



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i, Z and N !

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Next part of my talk ...

The birth of the collective models in 1952

Interpretation of Isomeric Transitions of Electric Quadrupole

AAGE BOHR
Institute for Theoretical Physics
(Received March 24, 1952)

IN the recent classification of isomeric transitions, examples of lifetimes appear on the basis of the shell model. In more than a factor of a hundred we have here the effect of collective motion.¹

A natural interpretation of the nuclear motion and nuclear surface oscillations in the model, the low-lying states of the particle structure are associated with the surface, or by an excitation of the particle quantum number. The states are of the former character, but the means of the shell model. However, that transition is

Nov. 1952

Rotational States in Even-Even Nuclei

AAGE BOHR AND BEN R. MOTTELSON*
Institute for Theoretical Physics, Copenhagen, Denmark
(Received March 24, 1953)

IN a recent note,¹ an interpretation of the short-lived $E2$ isomers has been suggested in terms of rotational states of the deformed nucleus. Empirical evidence is rapidly accumulating on the low energy spectra of even-even nuclei;²⁻⁴ the purpose of the present note is to call attention to the extensive support which exists in these data for the above interpretation, and to suggest its usefulness in the analysis of decay schemes.

In the model describing the nucleus in terms of the coupled particle motion and surface oscillations, low-lying rotational states are associated with the large deformations expected in regions with many particles outside of closed shells. In such regions, the rotational spectrum is expected to be given rather accurately by the simple expression¹

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

even parity

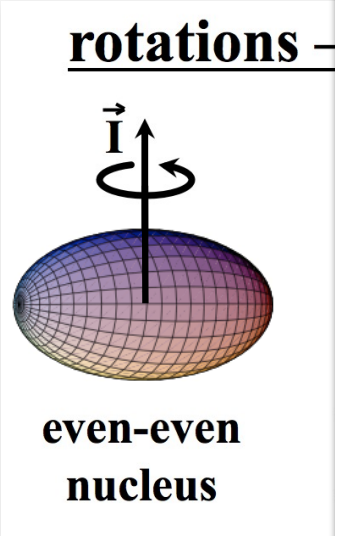
March 1953

First observation of rotational bands

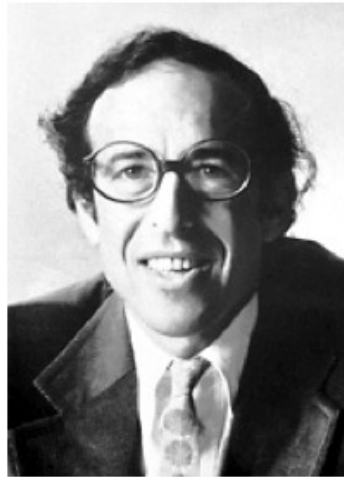
Three examples from 1953:

Fine structure in α decay

Nobel Prize in Physics 1975



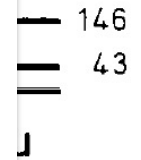
Aage Niels Bohr



Ben Roy Mottelson

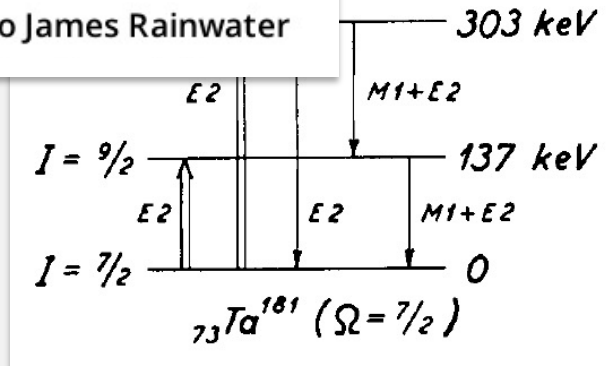
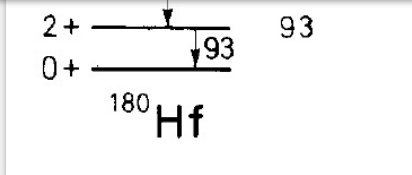


Leo James Rainwater



experiment

$$E(4^+)/E(2^+) \sim 3.3$$



The problem of the "wrong" moment of inertia

Det Kongelige Danske Videnskabernes Selskab

Matematisk-fysiske Meddelelser, bind 30, nr. 1

Dan. Mat. Fys. Medd. 30, no. 1 (1955)

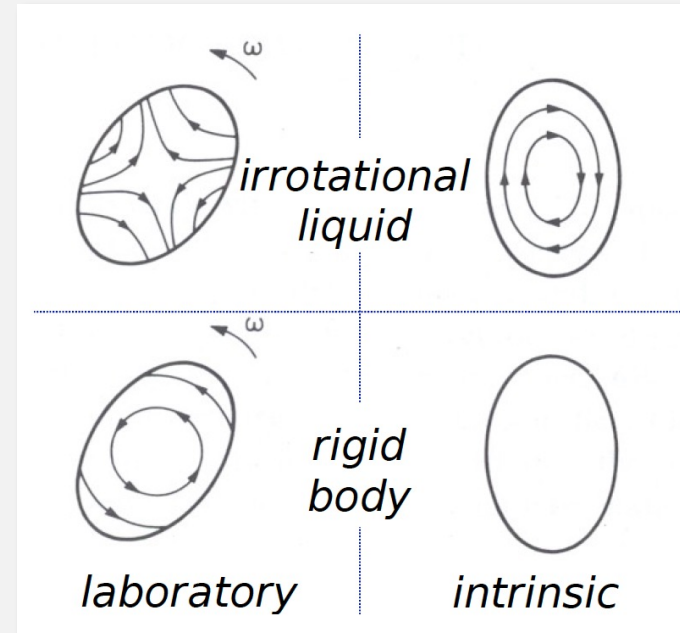
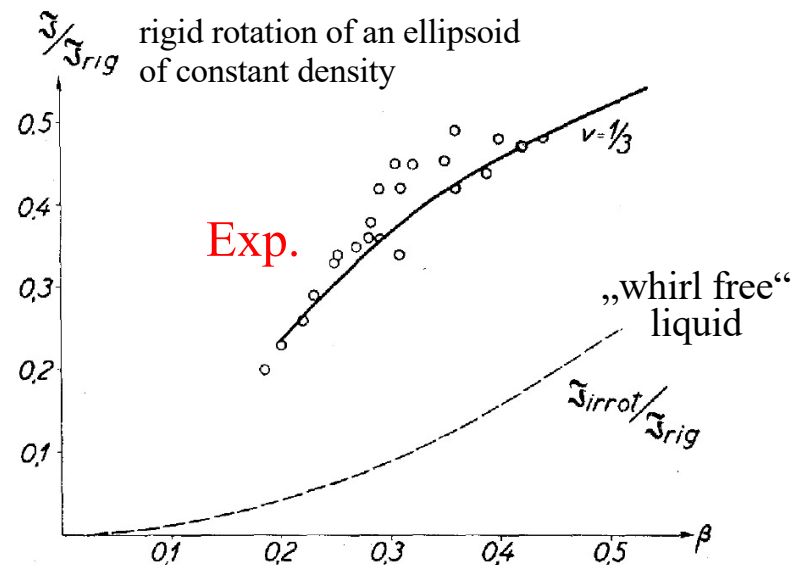
DEDICATED TO PROFESSOR NIELS BOHR ON THE
OCCASION OF HIS 70TH BIRTHDAY

1955

MOMENTS OF INERTIA OF ROTATING NUCLEI

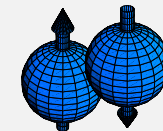
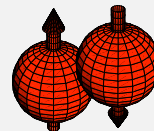
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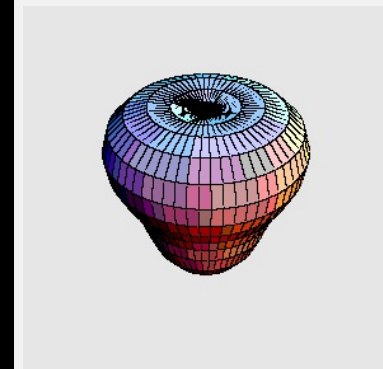
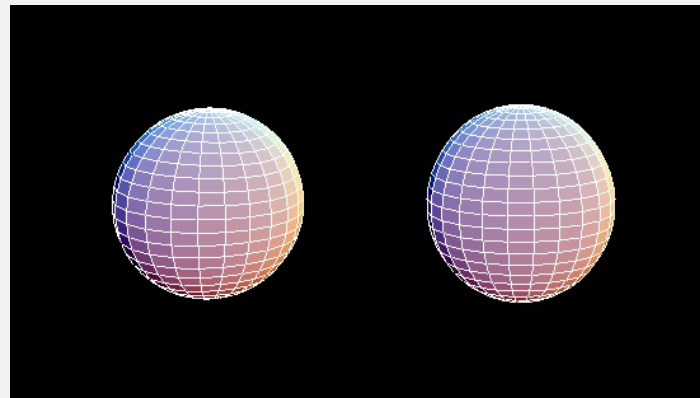
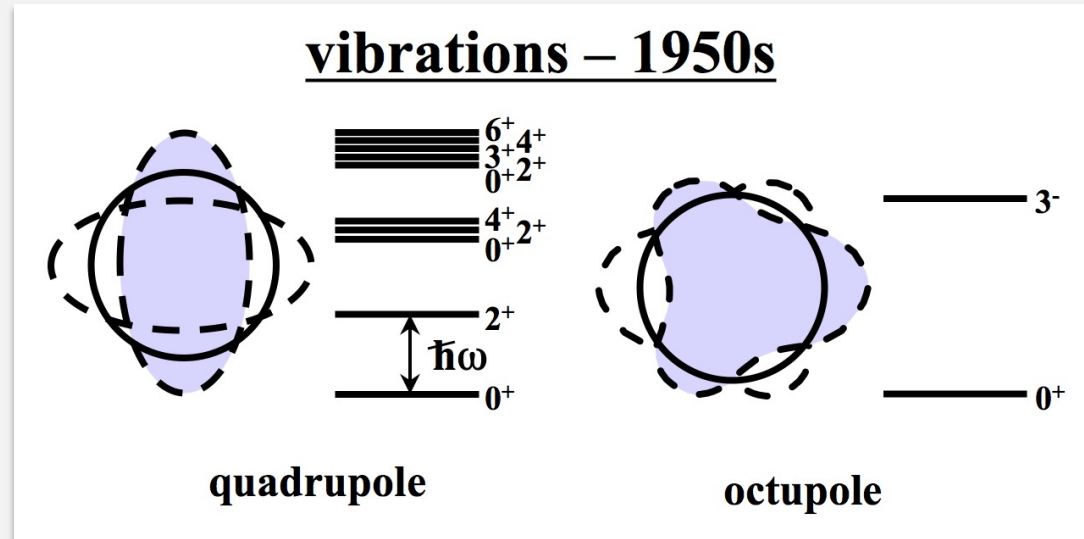
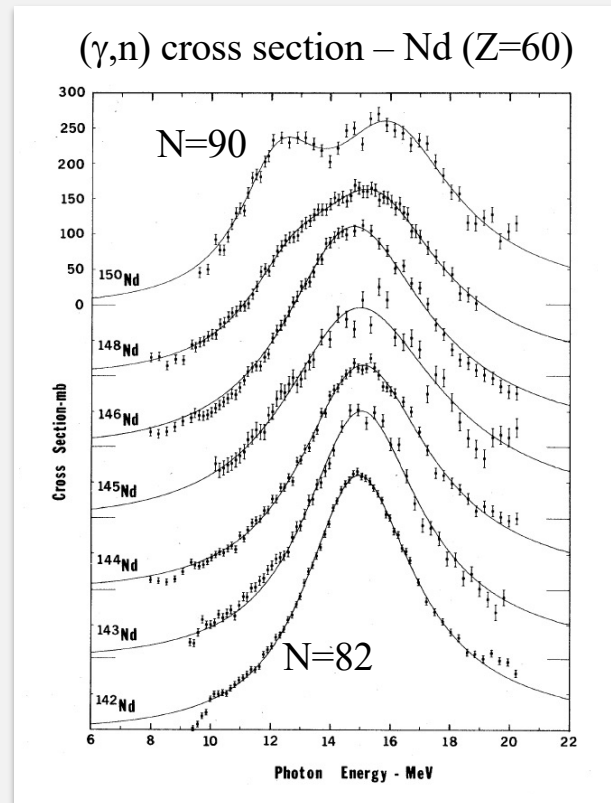


„Nuclei are like egg shells which are filled
with a mixture of a normal and a super-
conducting liquid !“

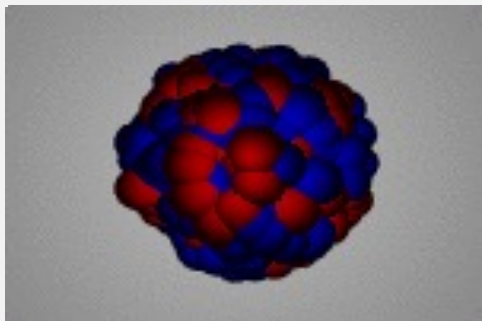
Super conductivity due to **pairing forces**
in analogy to the Cooper pairs (electrons)
in superconductors.



The vibrational degree of freedom



Giant Dipole Resonance



Deformed nuclei in the Nilsson model

Det Kongelige Danske Videnskabernes Selskab

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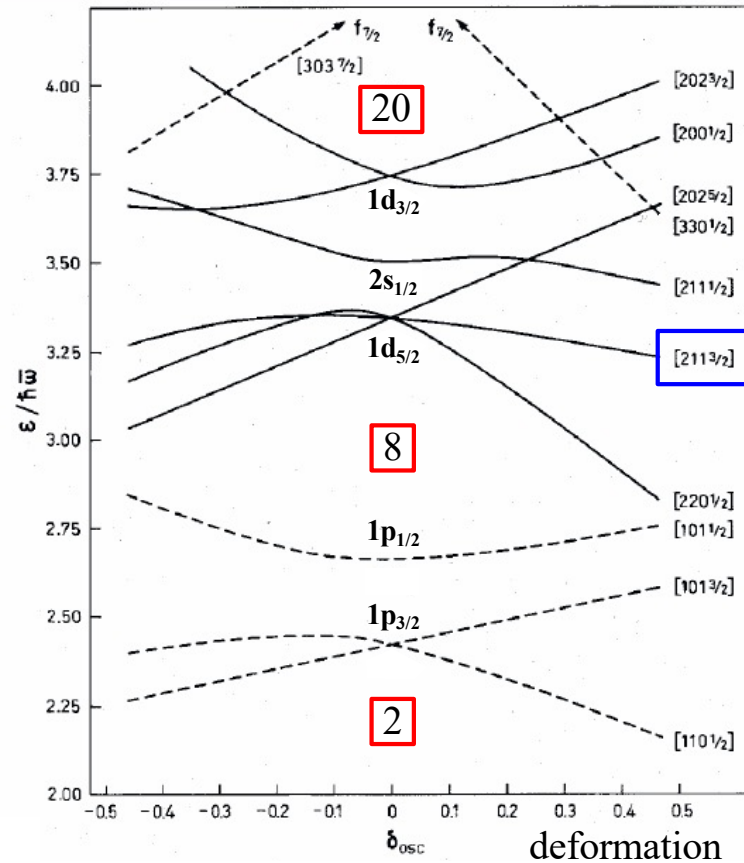
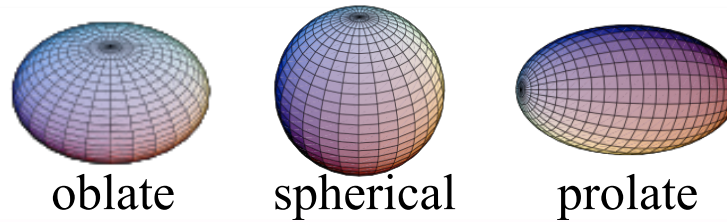
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1955

BINDING STATES OF INDIVIDUAL NUCLEONS IN STRONGLY DEFORMED NUCLEI

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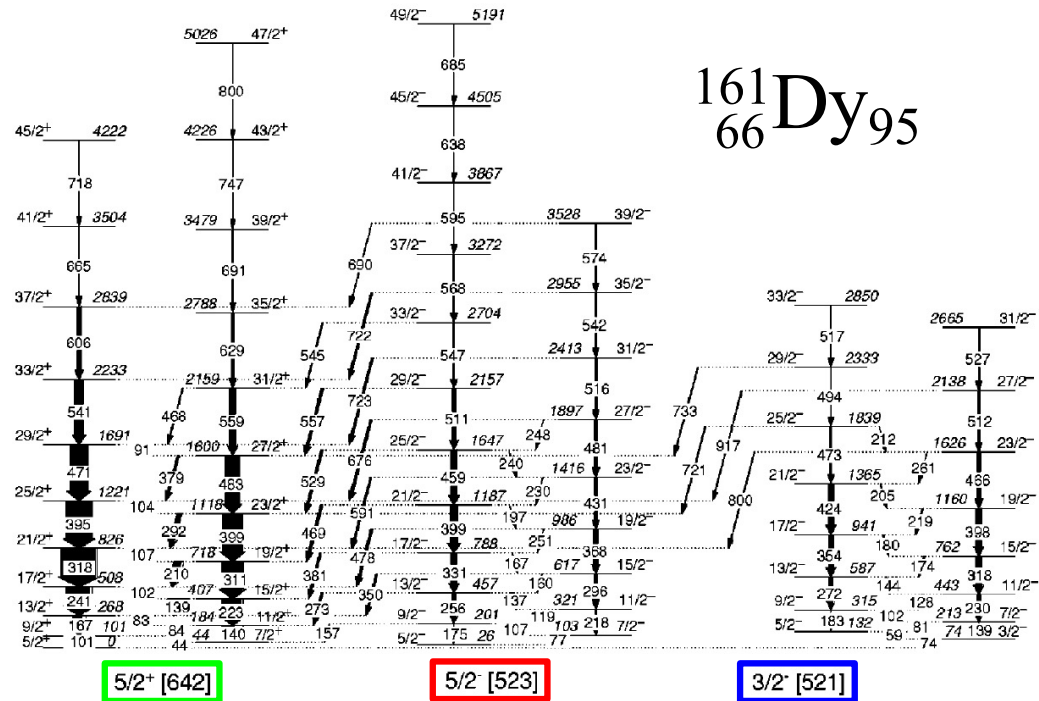
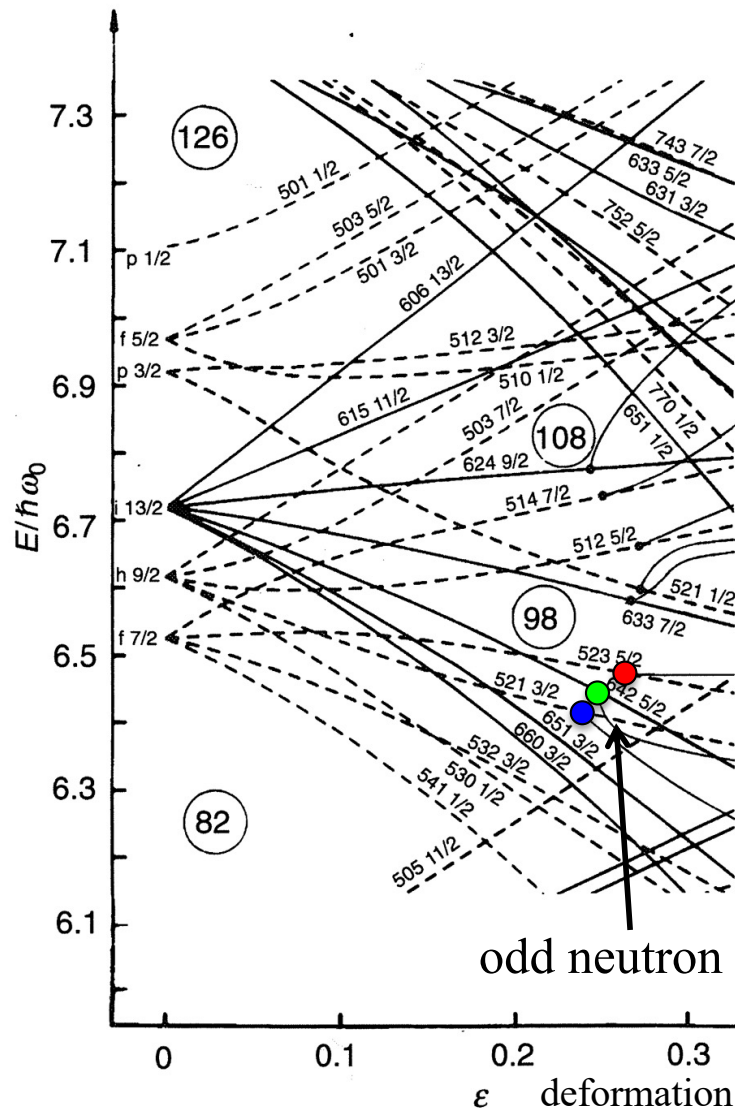
SVEN GÖSTA NILSSON



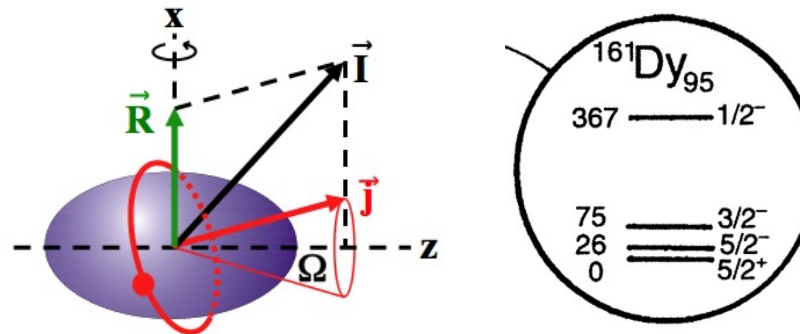
new asymptotic
quantum numbers

$2j+1$ -fold degeneracy is removed,
states with $+m$ and $-m$ still degenerate !

Single-particle motion in a deformed field

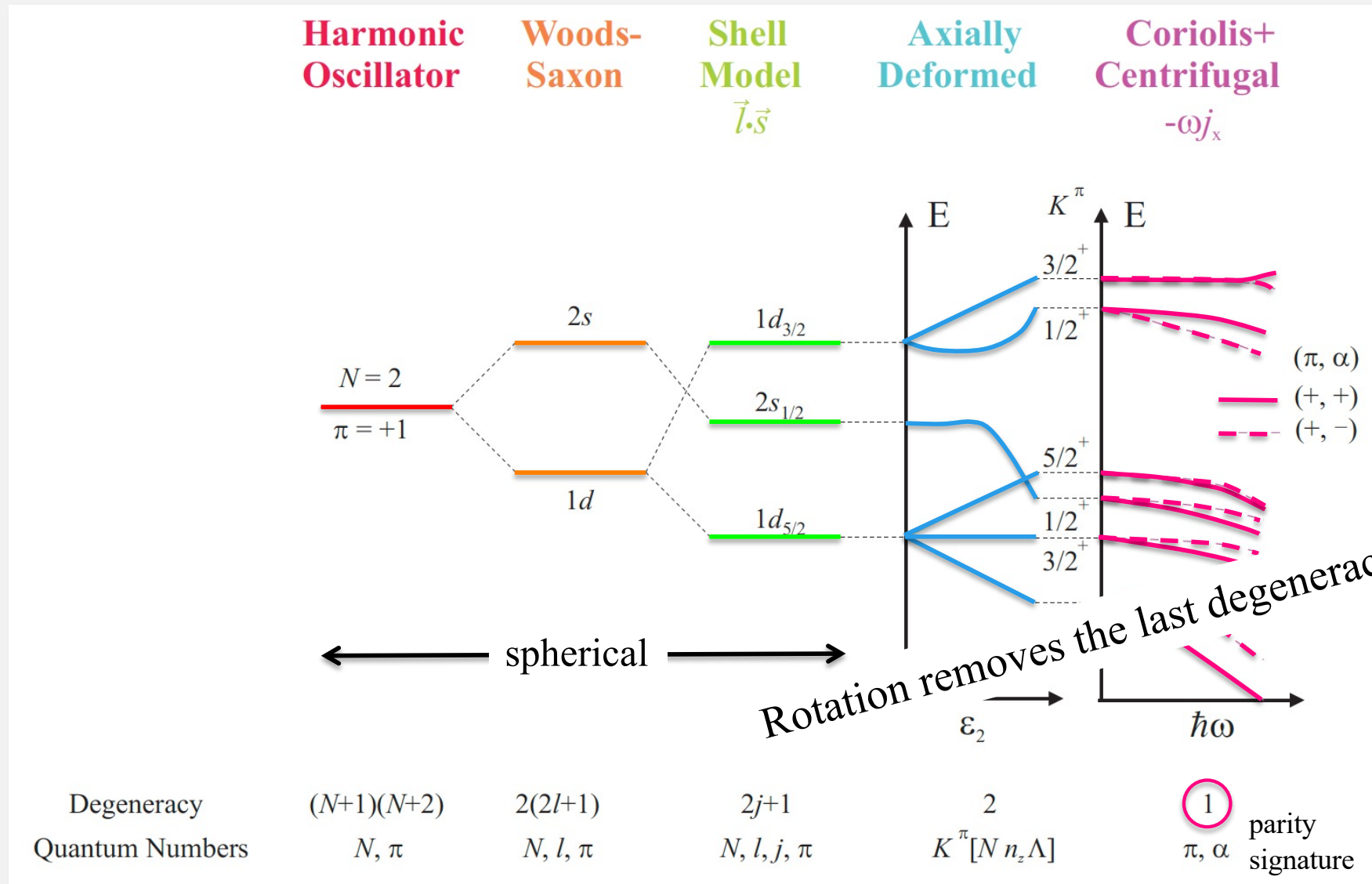


A. Junglaus et al., Phys. Rev. C67, 034302 (2003)



Three rotational band heads within 75 keV !

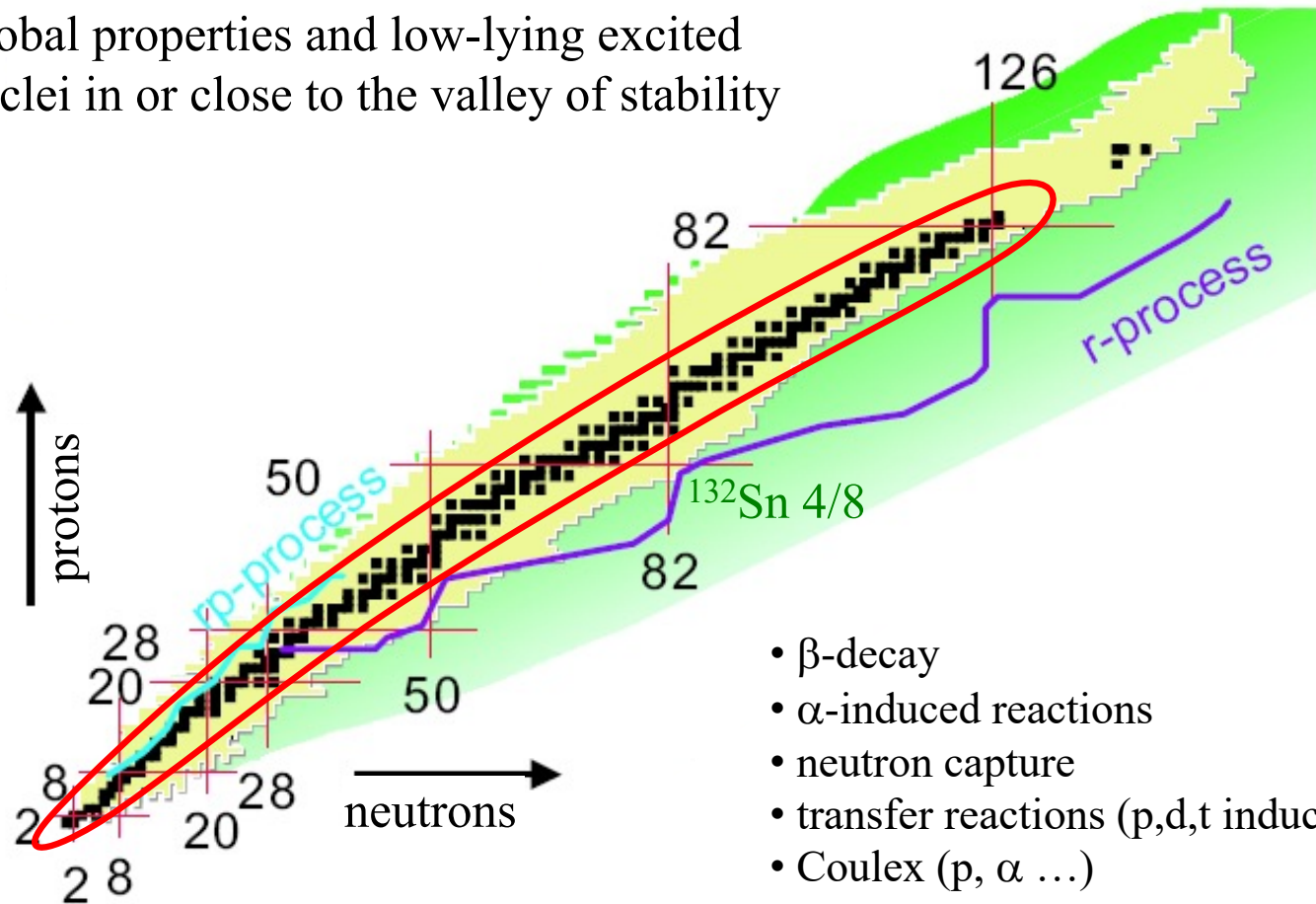
Single-particle motion in a rotating deformed field



Single-particle energies depend on deformation and rotational frequency !

Over the next twenty years ...

Study of global properties and low-lying excited states of nuclei in or close to the valley of stability

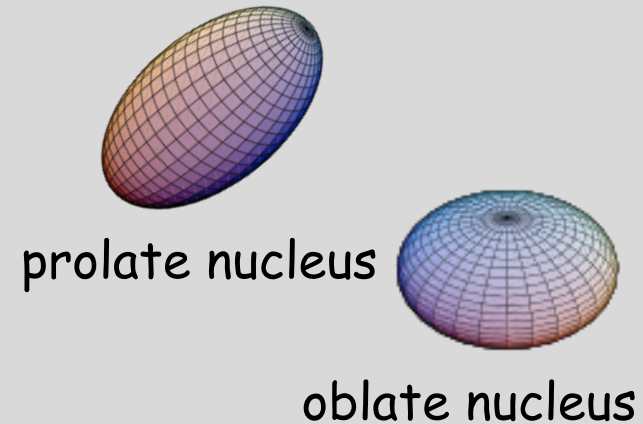
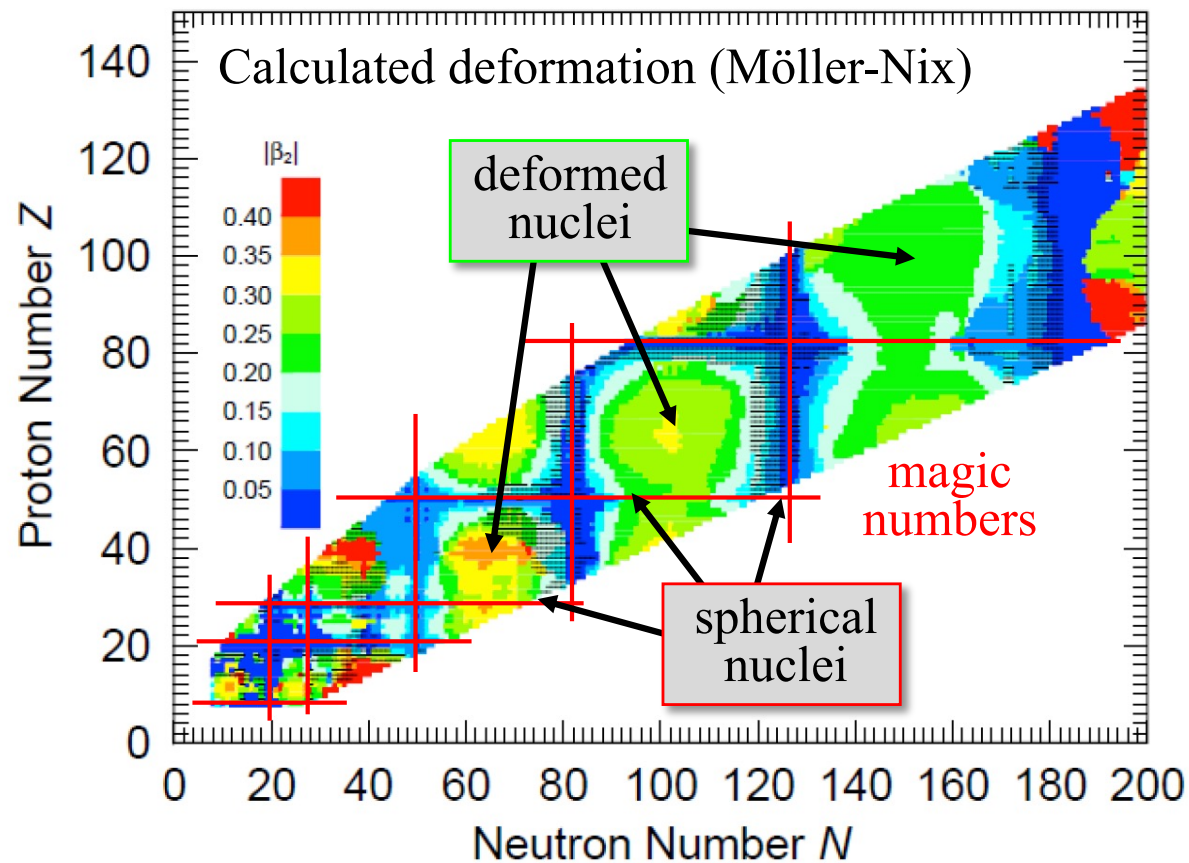


- β -decay
- α -induced reactions
- neutron capture
- transfer reactions (p,d,t induced)
- Coulex (p, α ...)
- γ -induced neutron emission

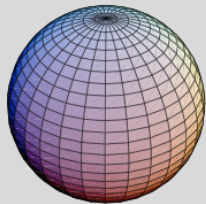
• scattering experiments (e, p ...)

Radii and density distributions !

„Classical“ nuclear physics

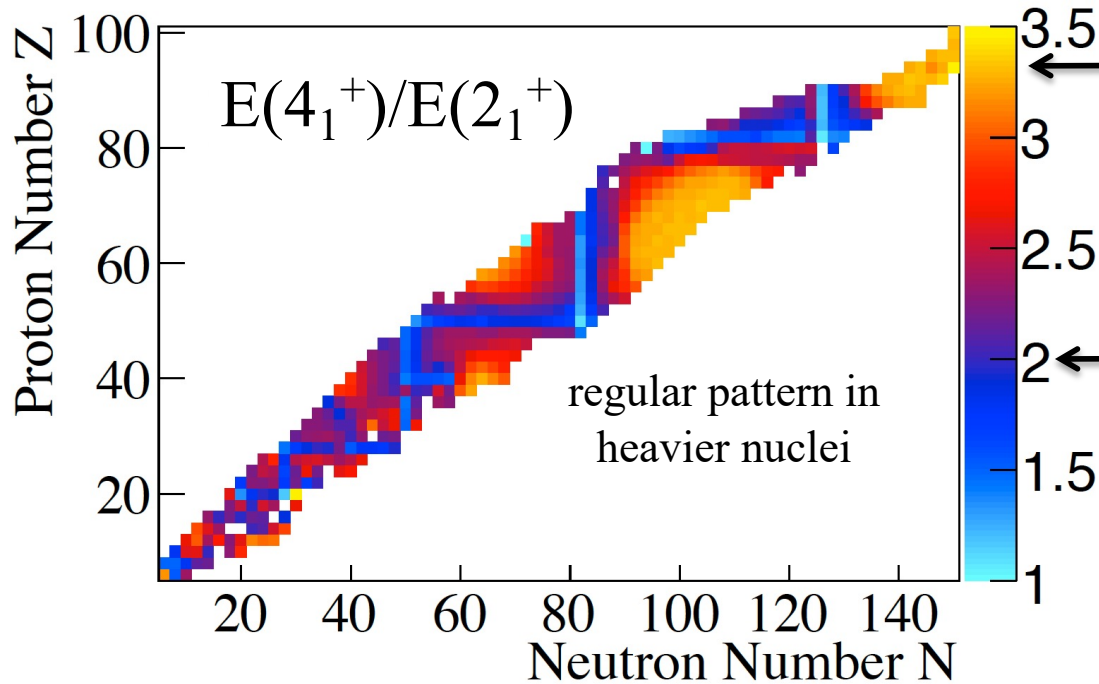
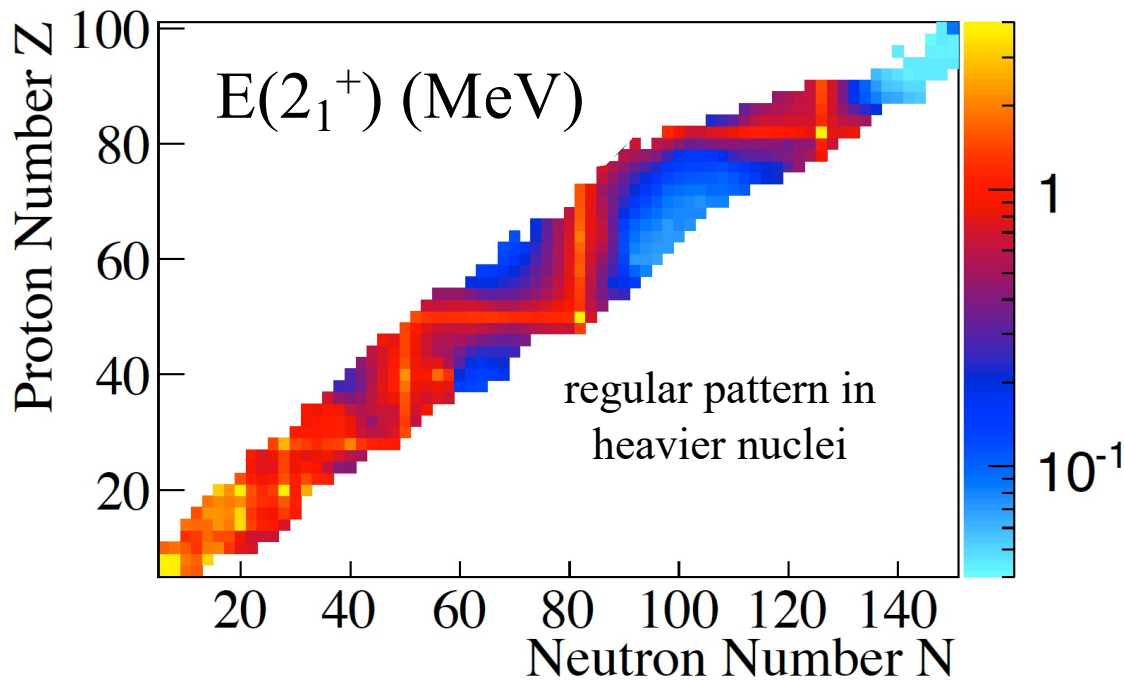


rotations and vibrations
→ collective models



spherical nucleus

Single-particle excitations
→ nuclear shell model
vibrations → collective models



$E(2^+)$ and $E(4^+)/E(2^+)$
as global indicators
in even-even nuclei

Rotations

— 8^+

— 6^+

— 4^+

— 2^+

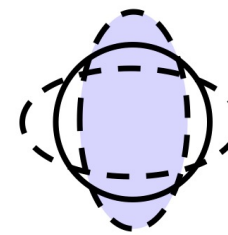
— 0^+

$$E_x = I(I+1) \frac{\hbar^2}{2J}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(4_1^+)/E(2_1^+) &= (4 \cdot 5)/(2 \cdot 3) \\ &= 20/6 = 3.3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(4_1^+)/E(2_1^+) &= 2\hbar\omega/\hbar\omega = 2 \end{aligned}$$

Quadrupole vibrations



— 6^+

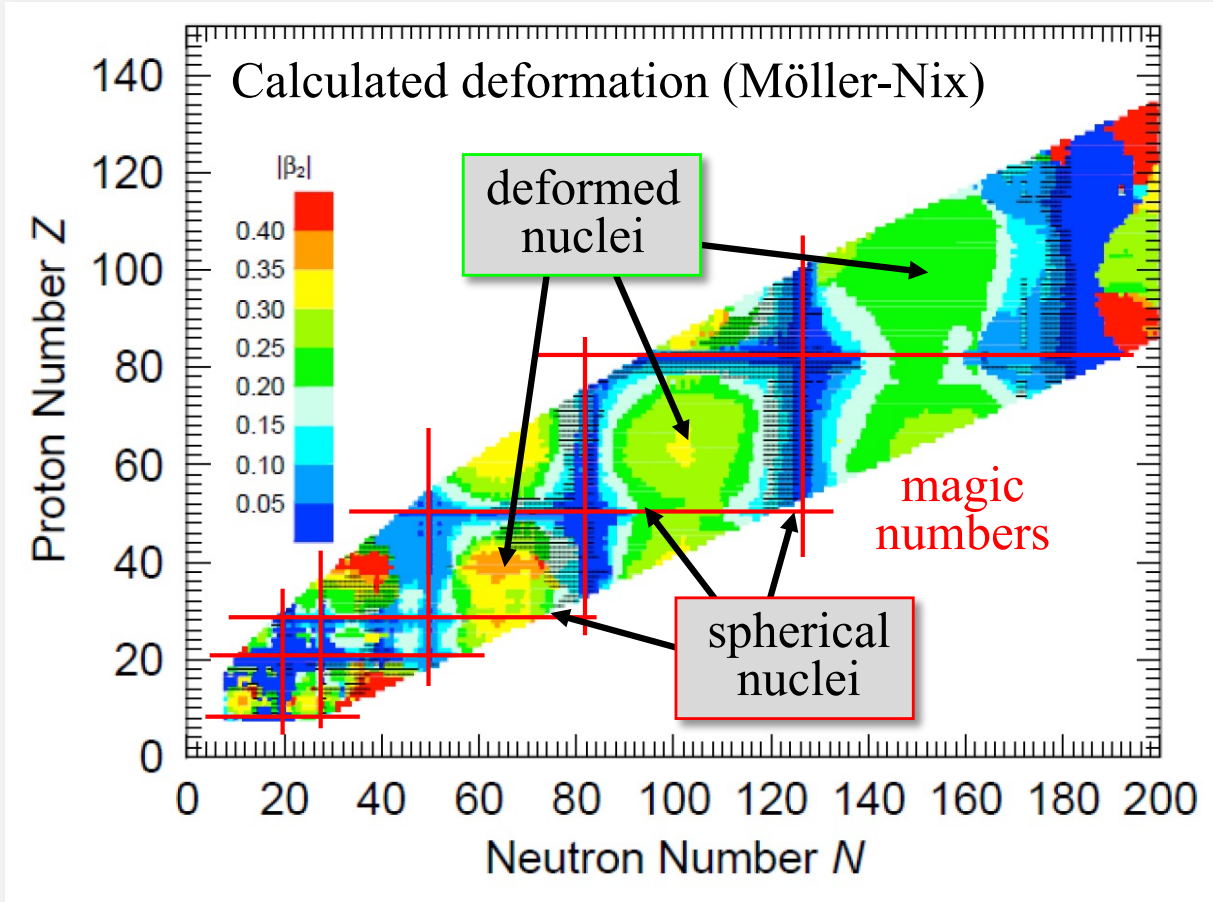
— 4^+

— 2^+

— 0^+

$\hbar\omega$

„Classical“ nuclear physics



prolate nucleus

oblate nucleus

rotations and vibrations
→ collective models

spherical nucleus

Single-particle excitations
→ nuclear shell model
vibrations → collective models

Is that already the full story?

No !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Let's play with all degrees of freedom



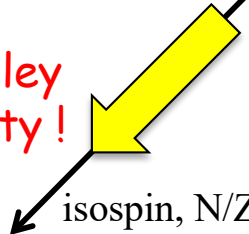
temperature
excitation energy

Let it spin!

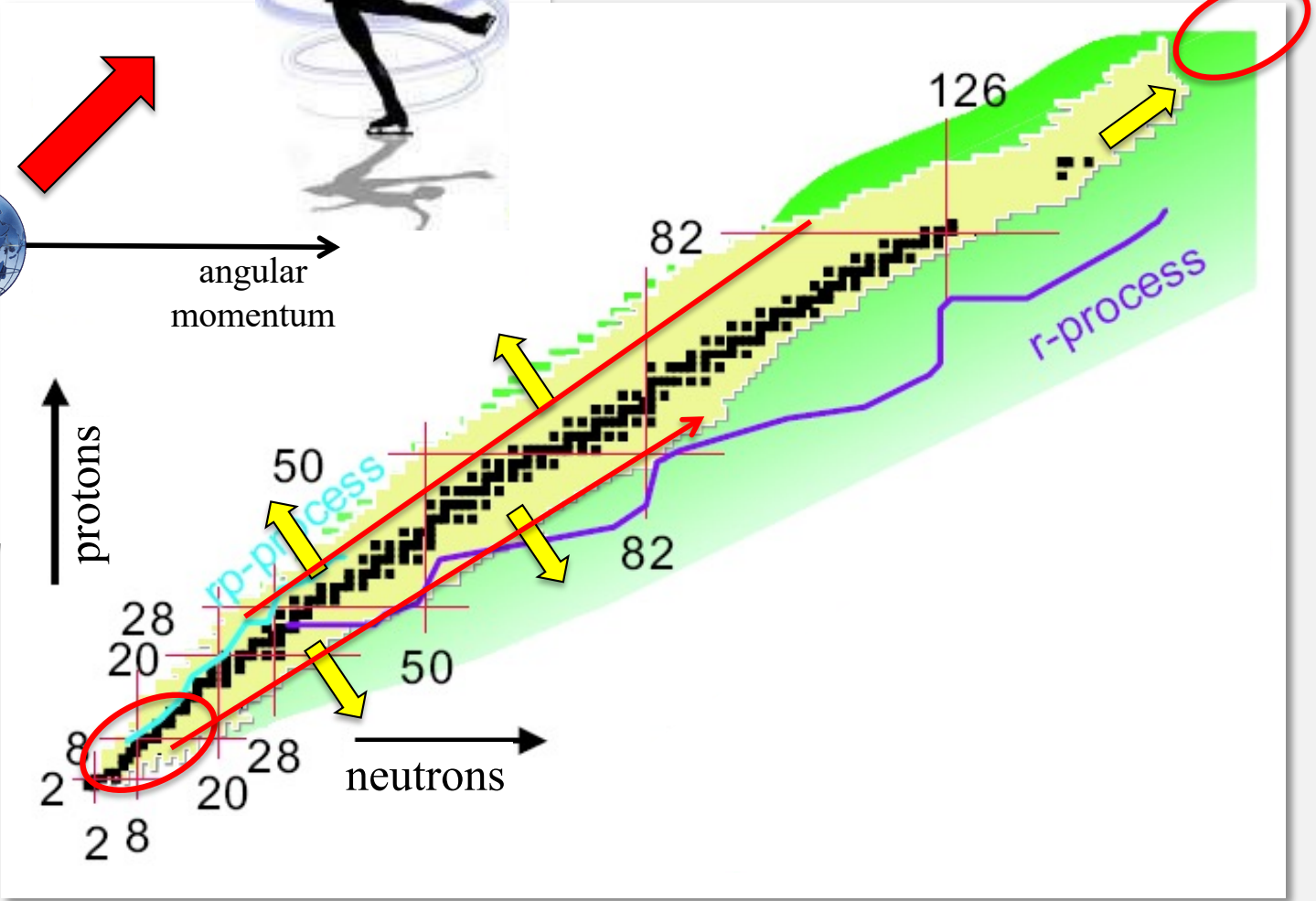


angular
momentum

Leave valley
of stability!



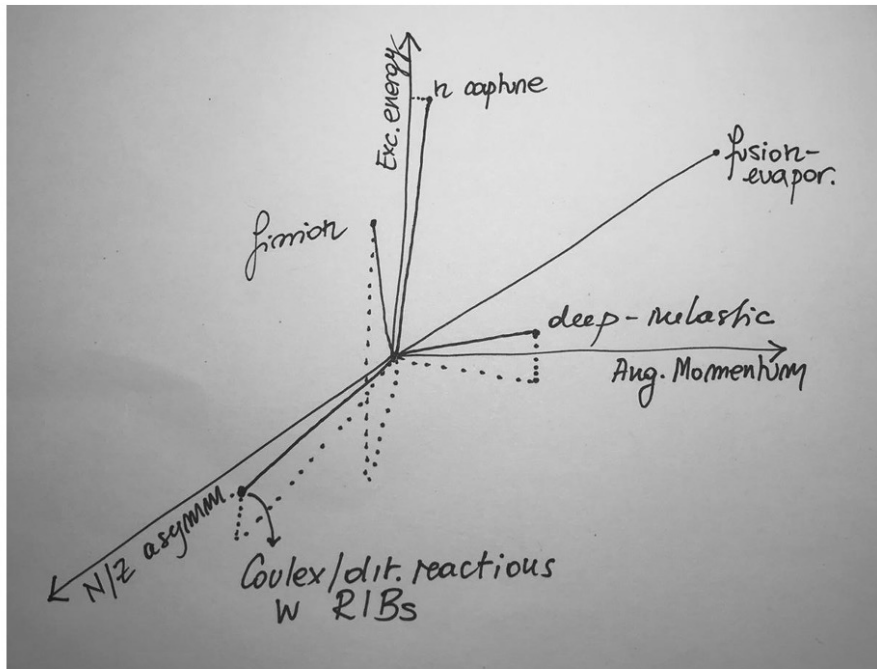
isospin, N/Z



Let's start with the
light nuclei!

Three main "research axes"

To study nuclear structure under "extreme conditions"



Each production mechanism is characterised by :

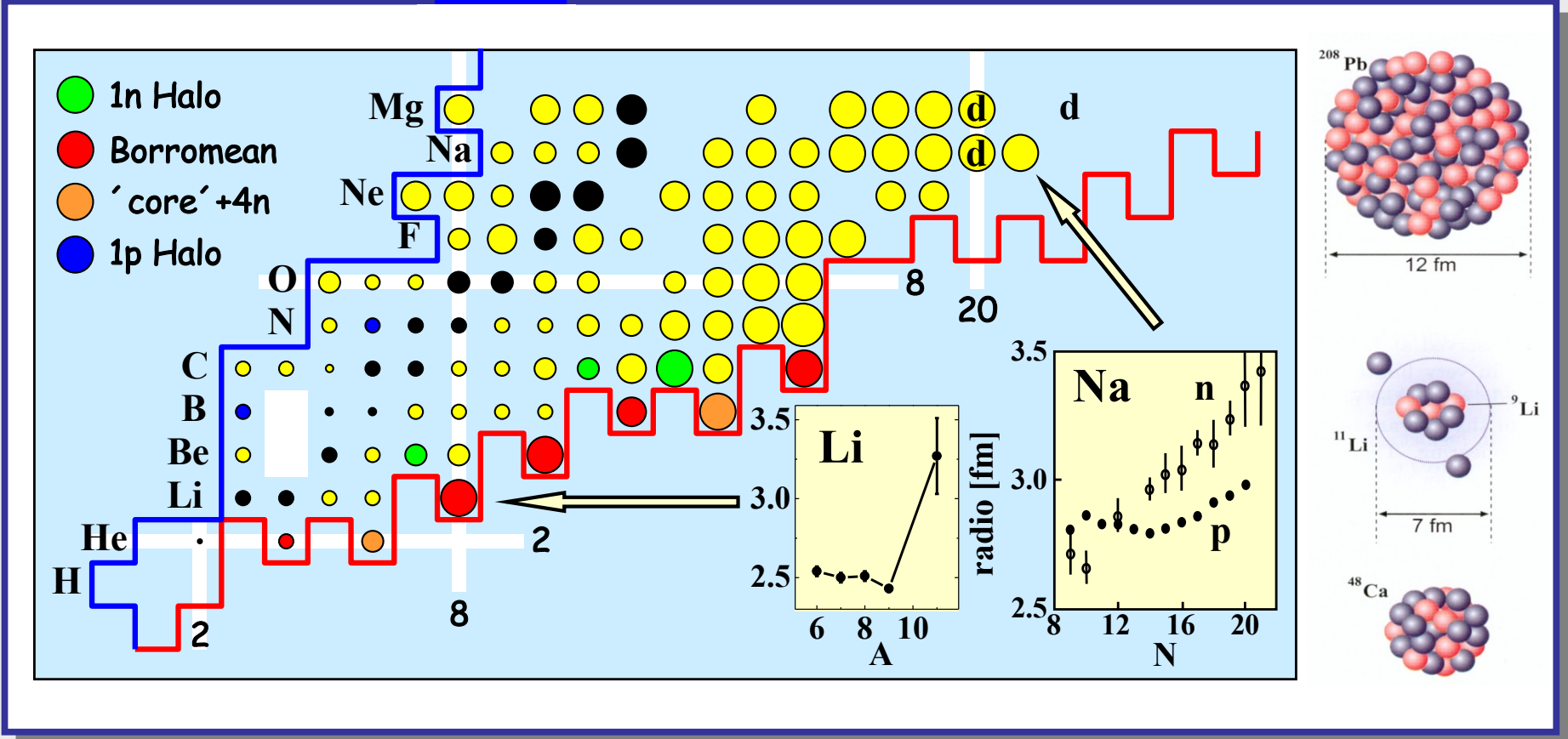
- (max) angular momentum, excitation energy and N/Z asymmetry
- Different cross sections (few mbarn for fusion-evaporation, up to 10^5 barn for neutron capture)
- Different recoil velocities ($\beta \sim 0$ for n capture reactions, up to 50% for RIBs from fragmentation)
- Different needs for channel selectivity (ancillary detectors – charged particle detectors, mass separators...)

THE EUROPEAN NEUTRON SOURCE


NEUTRONS
FOR SOCIETY

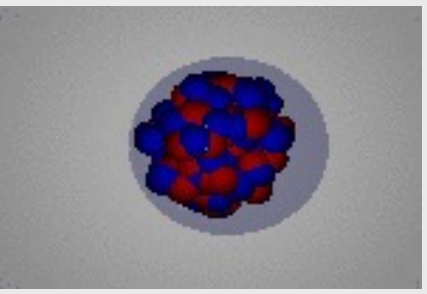
Caterina Michelagnoli, 1. Lecture

Nuclear radii - halos and neutron skins

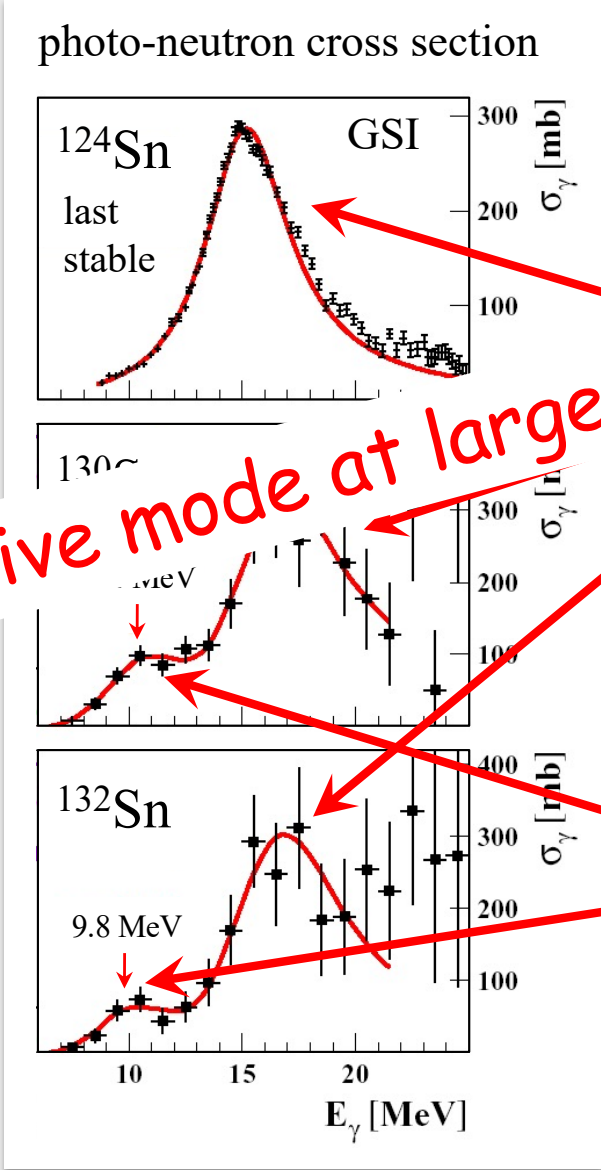


Remember:

- $R = r_0 \cdot A^{1/3}$ $r_0 = 1.1-1.2$ fm
- The thickness t of the nuclear surface is constant.
- Protons and neutrons are uniformly mixed.



The Pygmy resonance in neutron-rich Sn isotopes

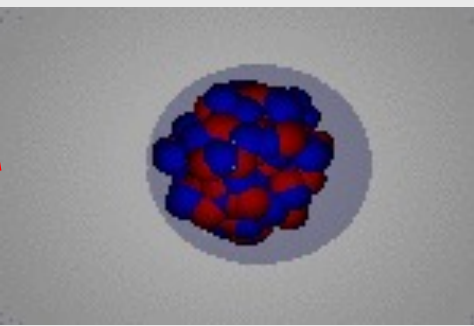


A new collective mode at large isospin!

Giant Dipole Resonance

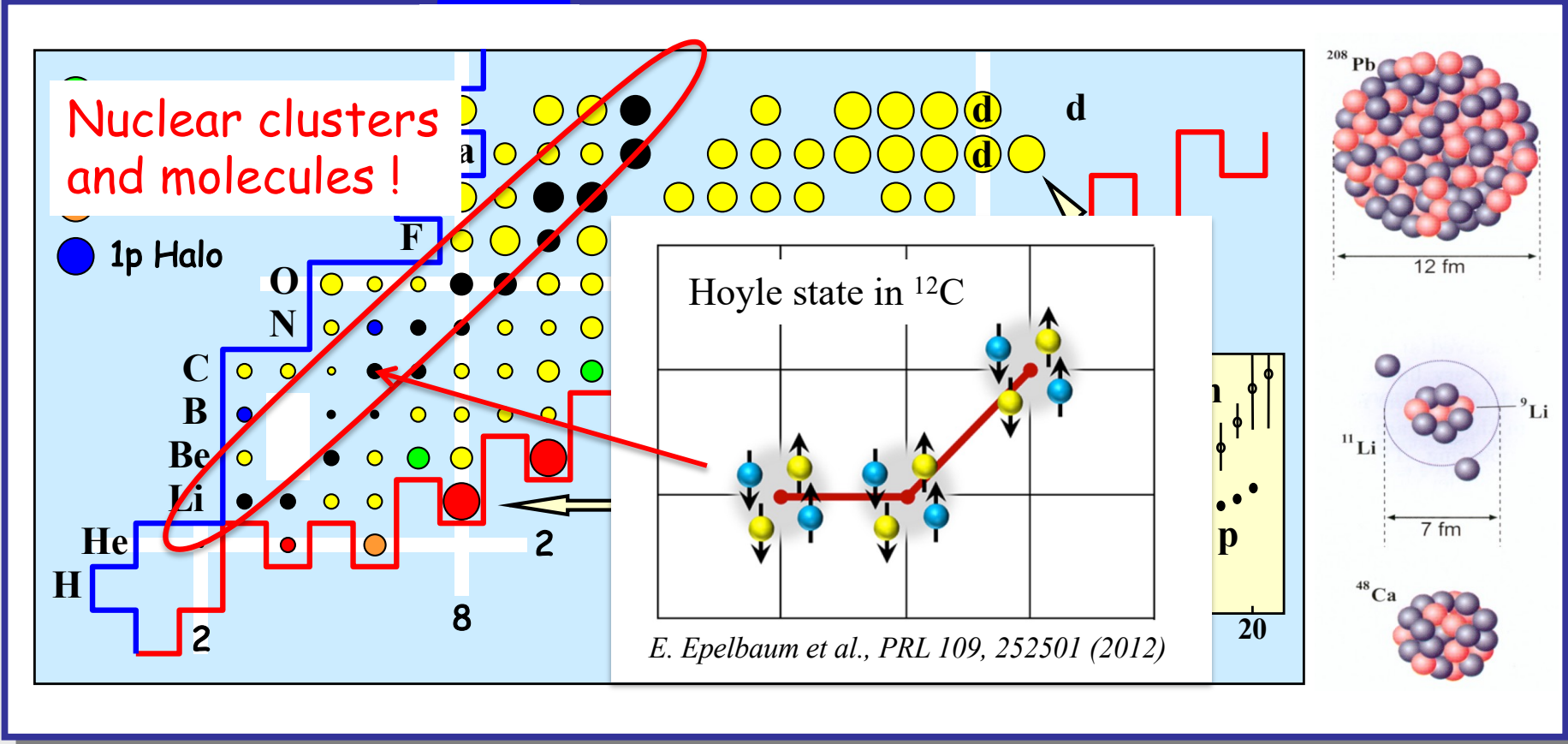


Pygmy Resonance



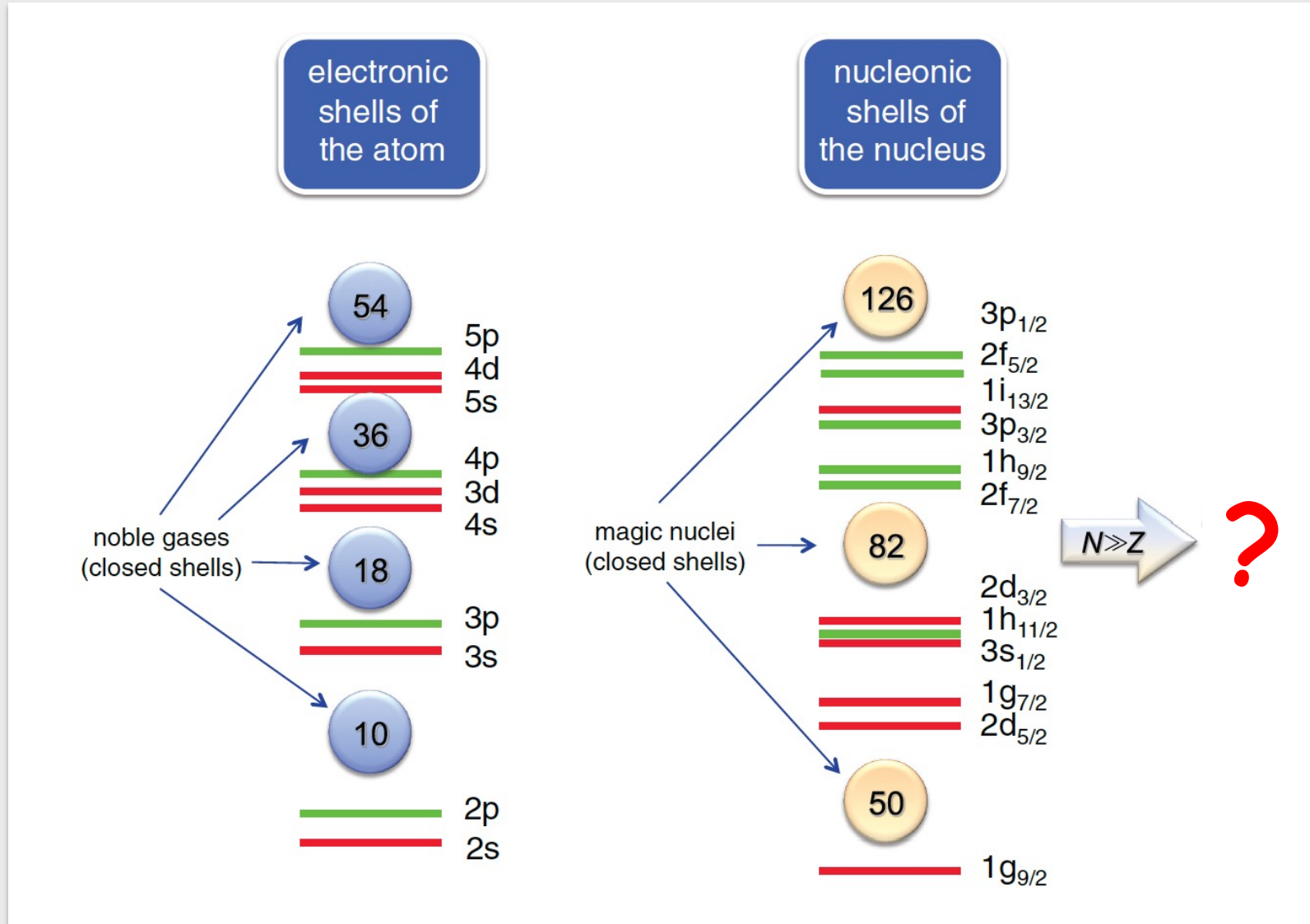
*P. Adrich et al.
Phys. Rev. Lett. 95 (2005) 132501*

Nuclear radii - halos and neutron skins



Light nuclei are indeed a rich playground!

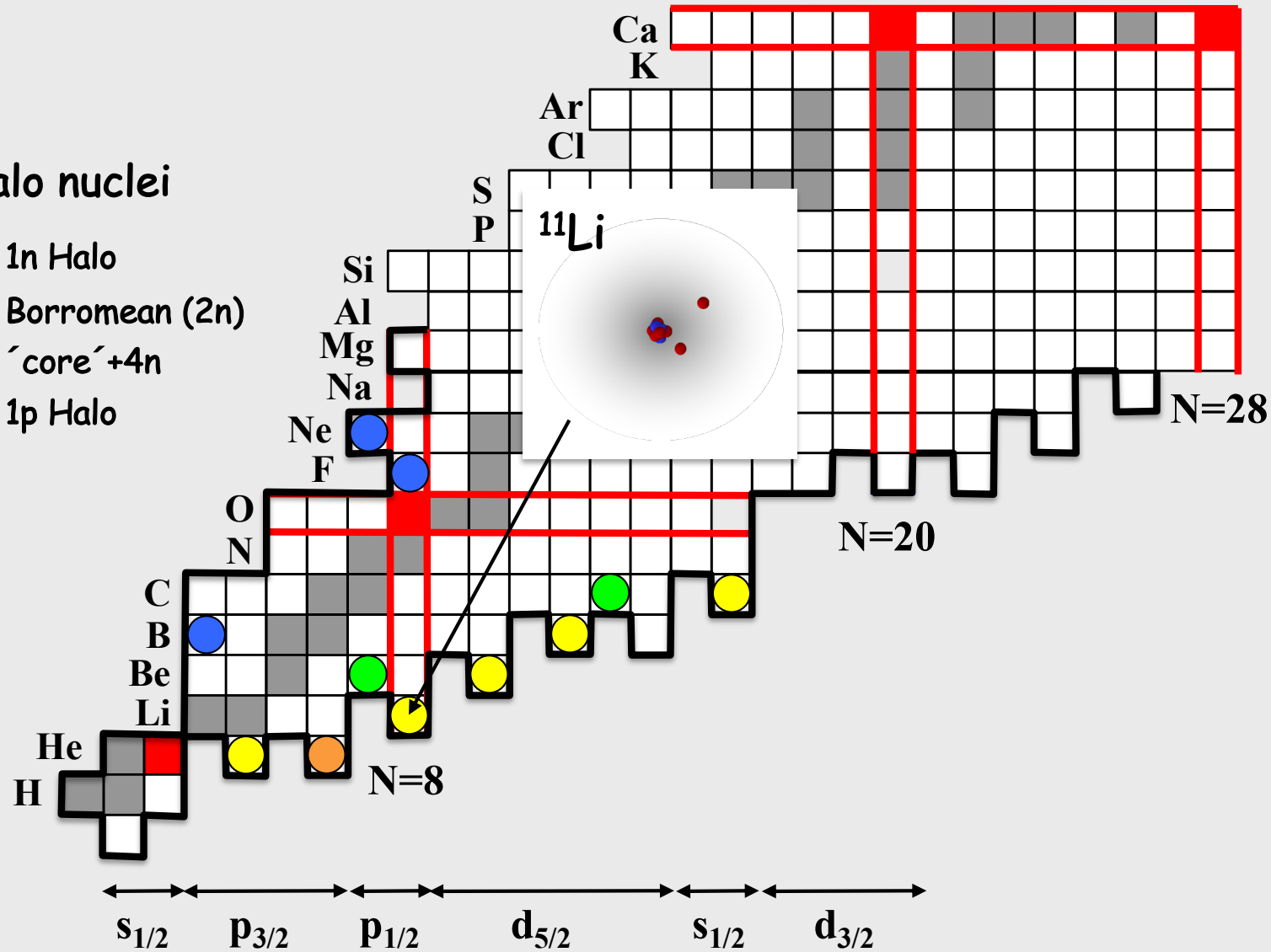
"Shell evolution" on the neutron-rich side



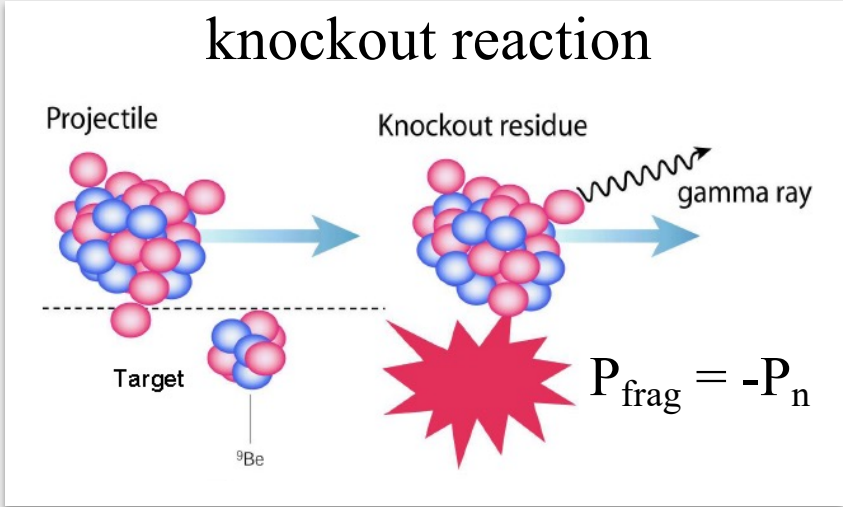
Neutron halos and the N=8 shell closure

Halo nuclei

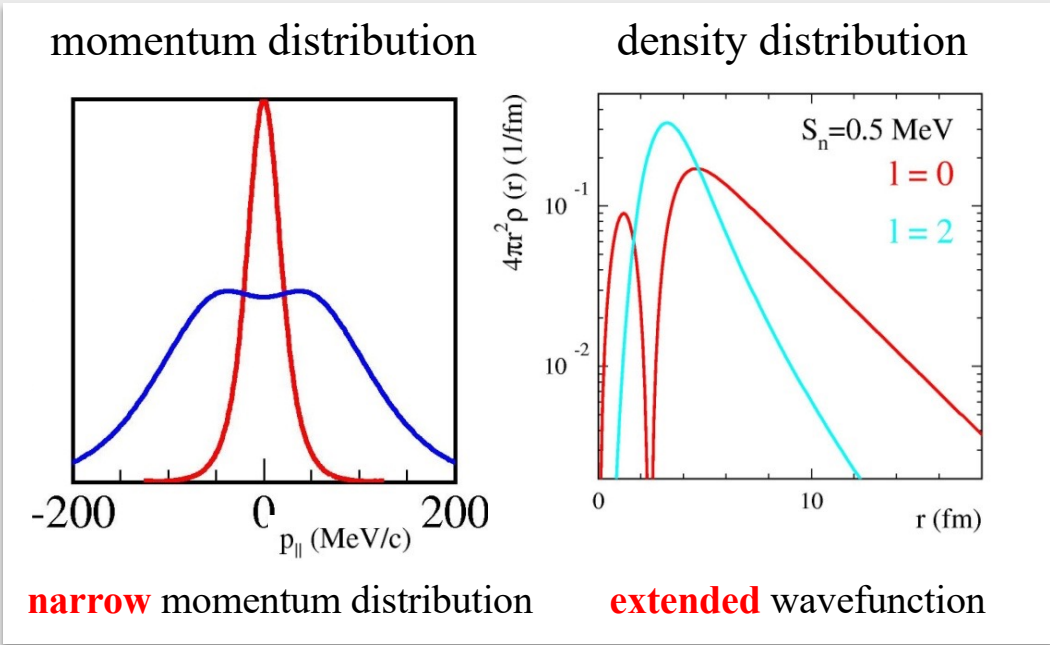
- 1n Halo
- Borromean (2n)
- 'core'+4n
- 1p Halo



Knockout reactions at relativistic energies



Heisenberg's uncertainty principle

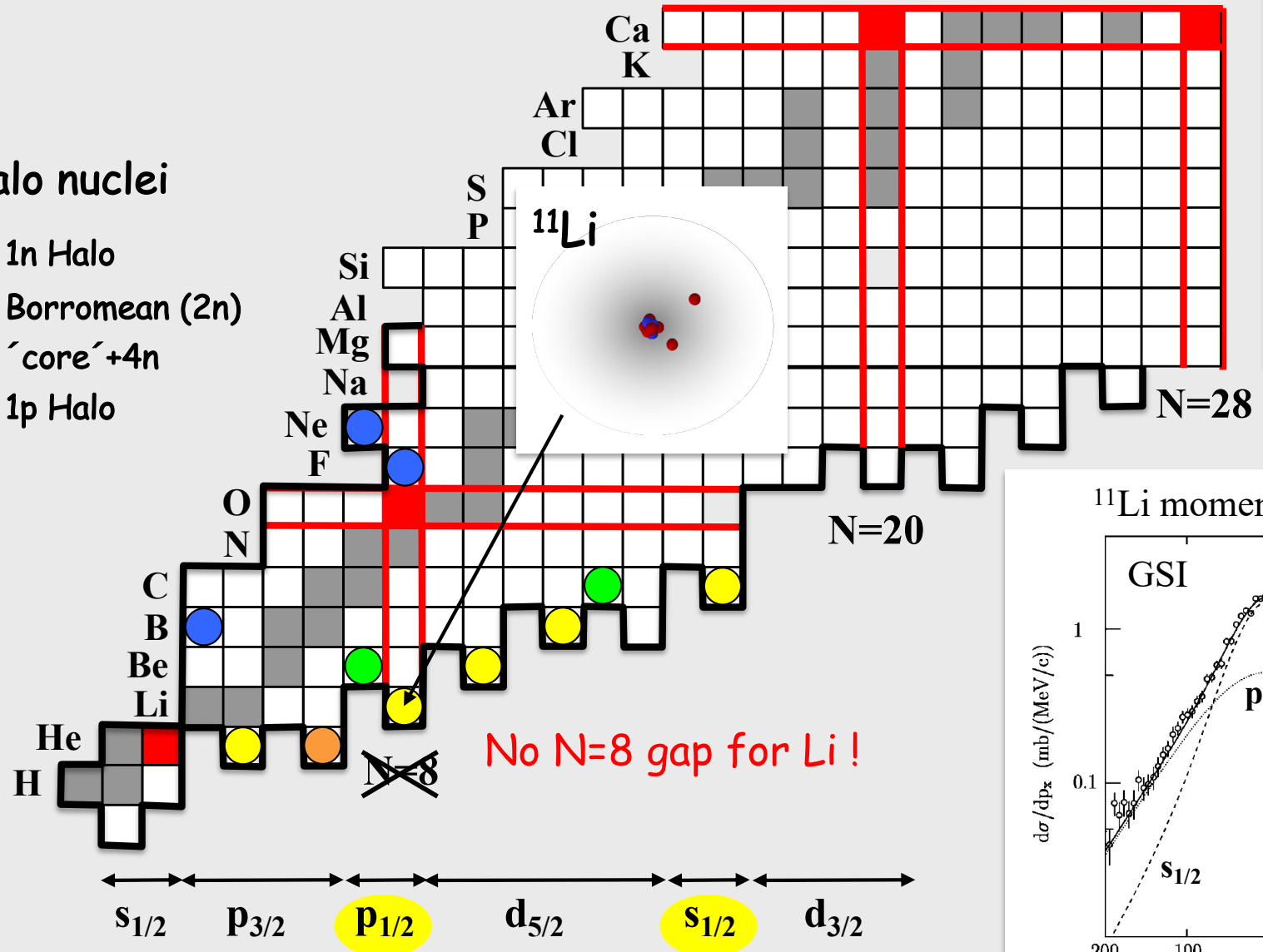


→ angular momentum ℓ of the removed nucleon

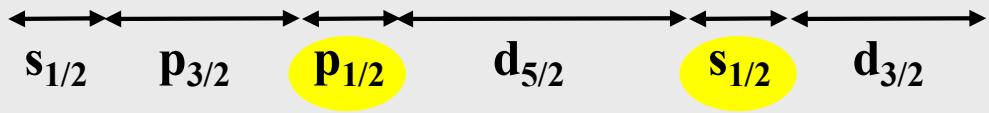
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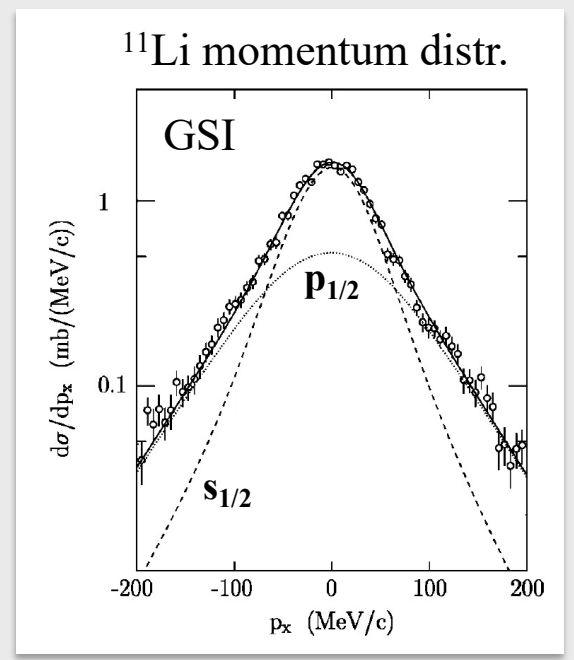
- 1n Halo
- Borromean (2n)
- 'core' + 4n
- 1p Halo



No N=8 gap for Li !



strong s-wave admixture

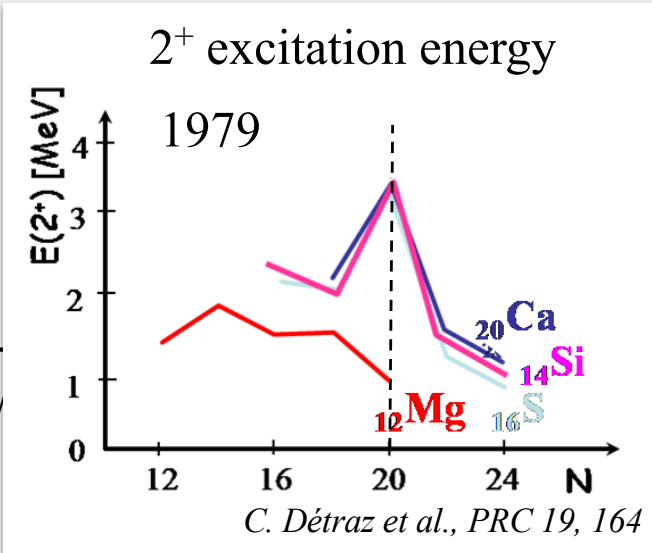
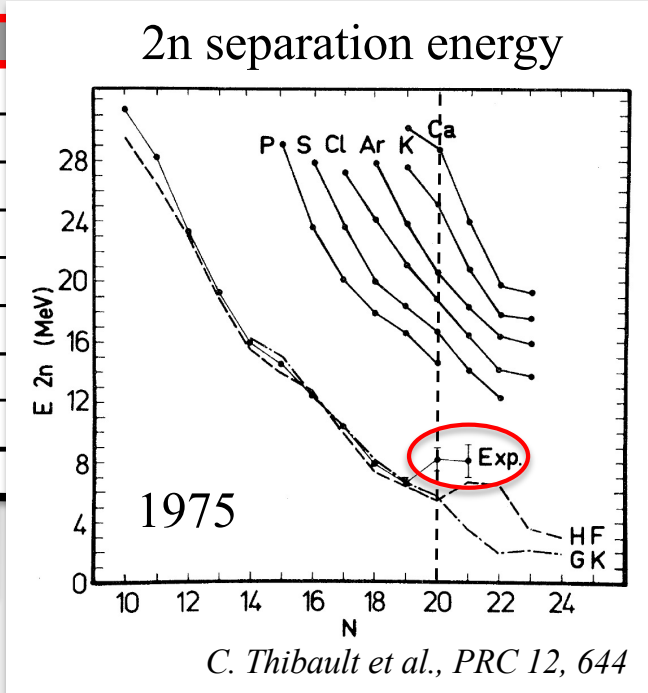
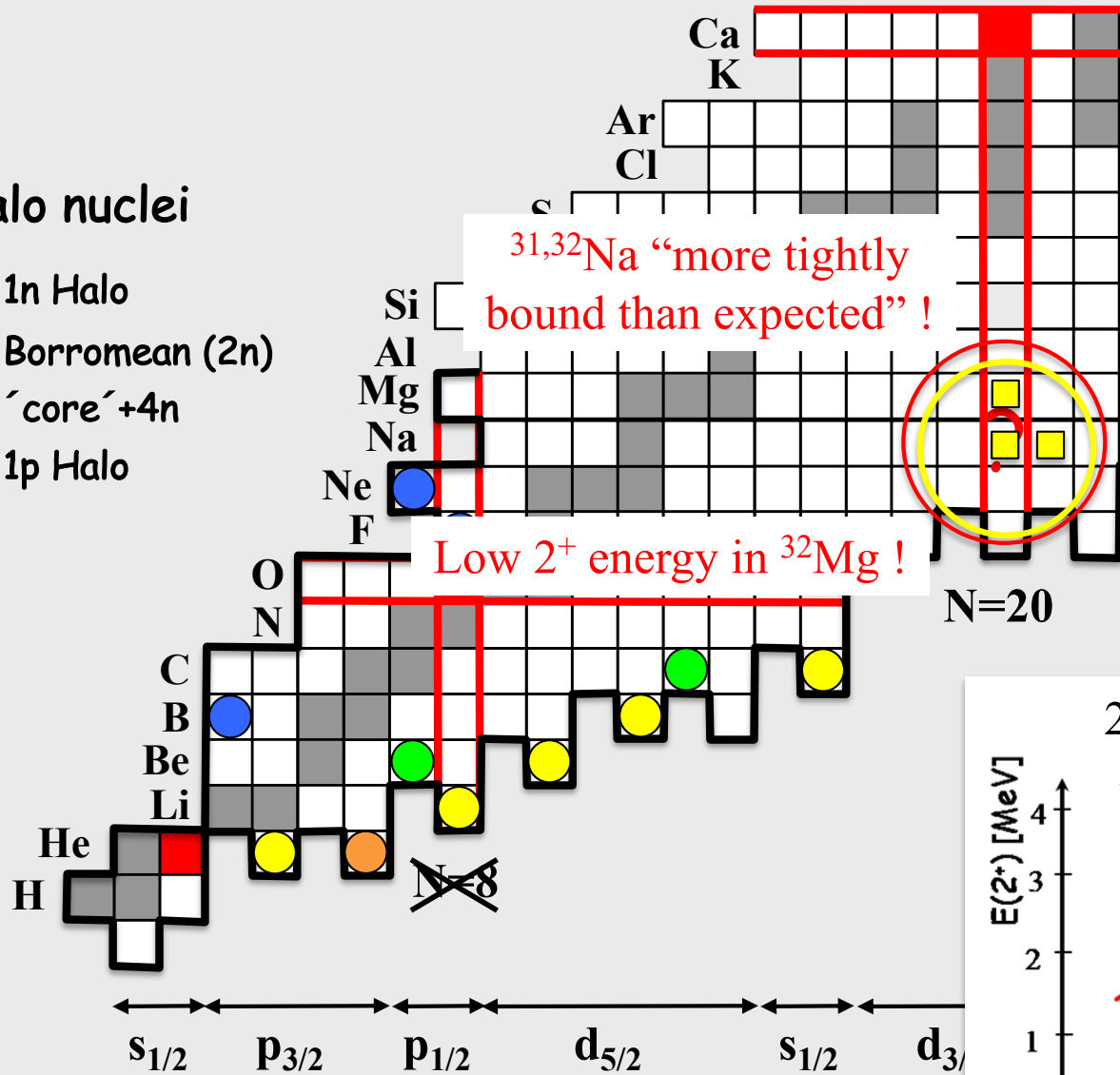


H. Simon et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 83, 496 (1999)

What about the N=20 shell closure ?

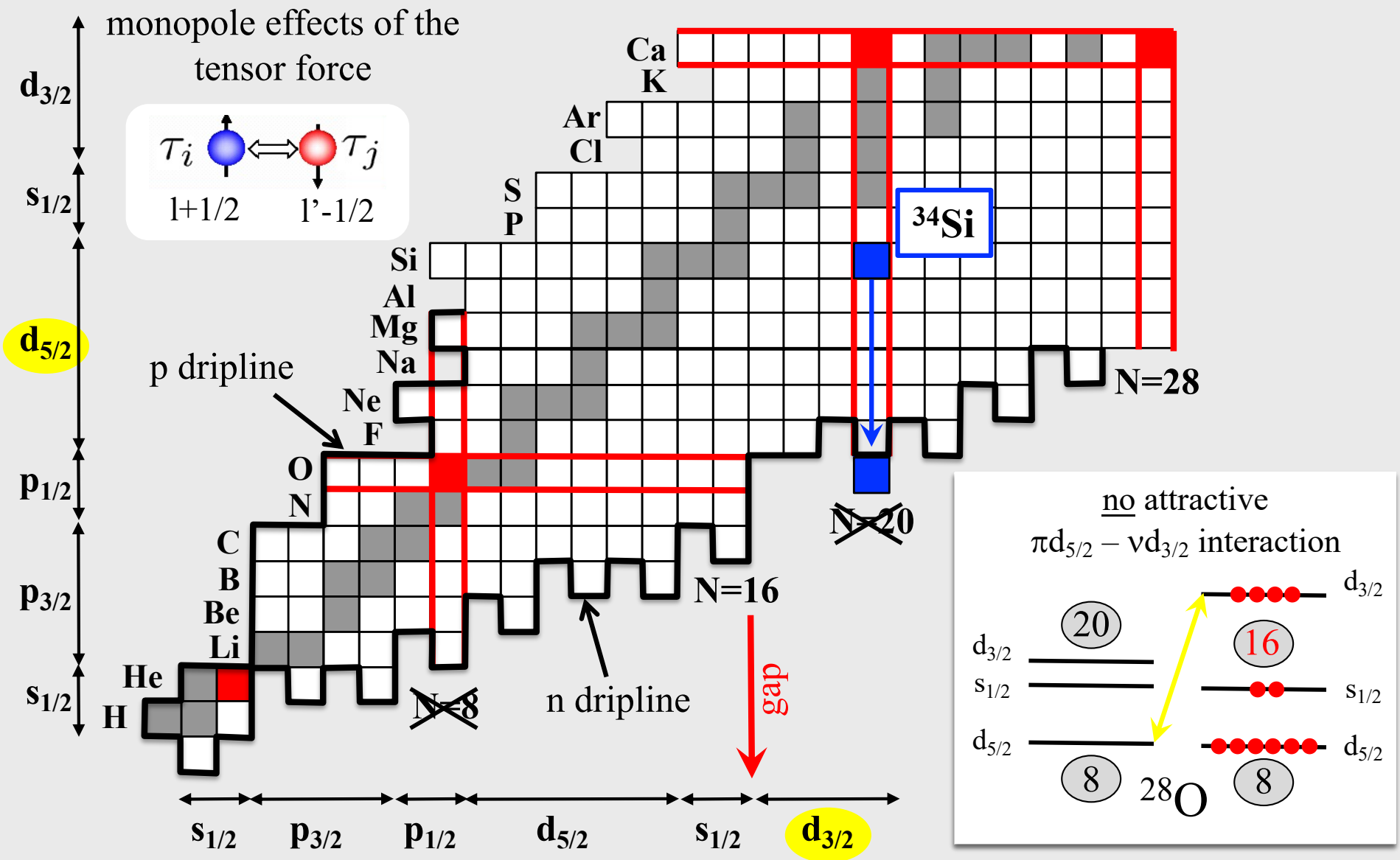
Halo nuclei

- 1n Halo
- Borromean (2n)
- 'core'+4n
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Since then a wealth of information in this region

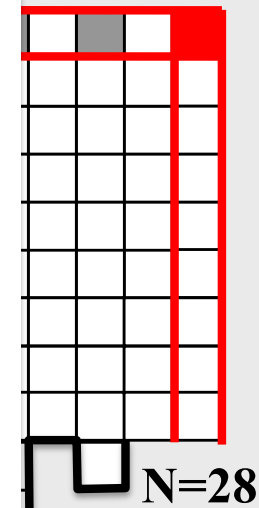
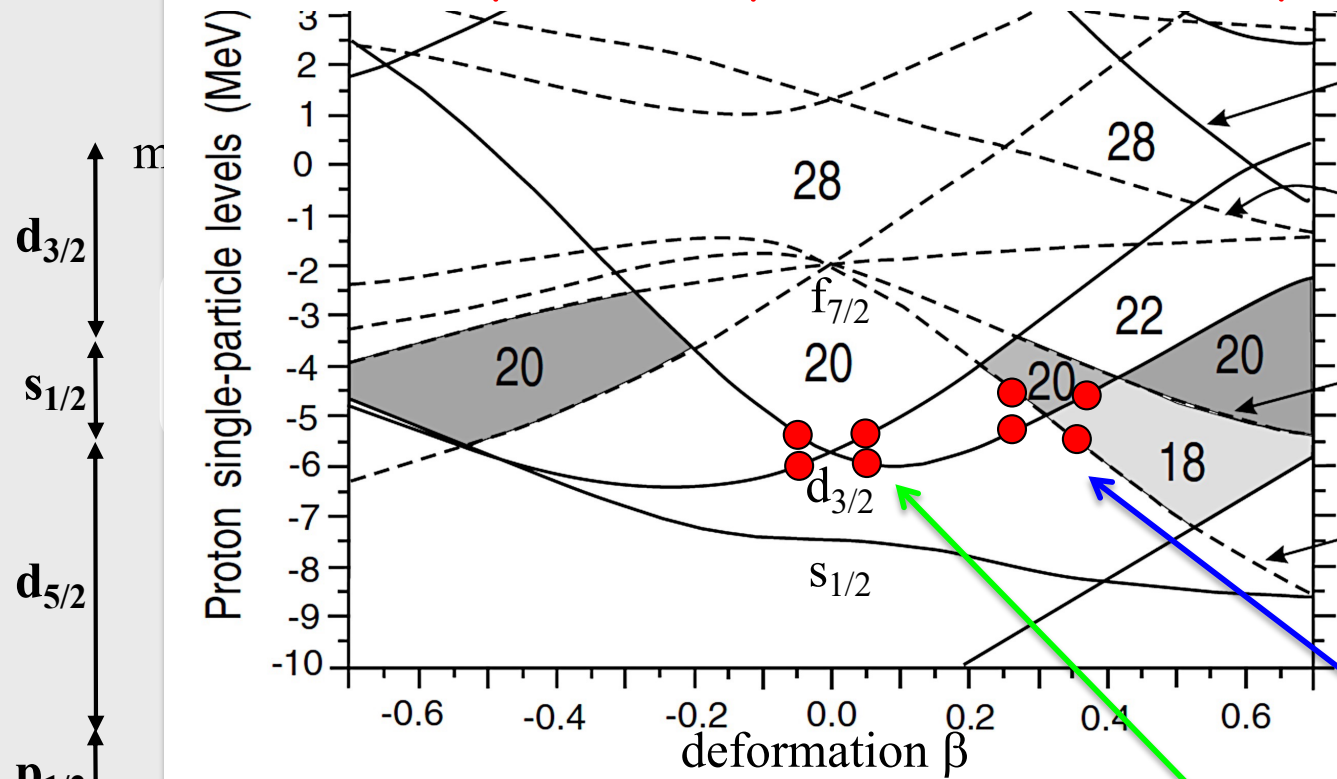
Explanation within the shell model picture



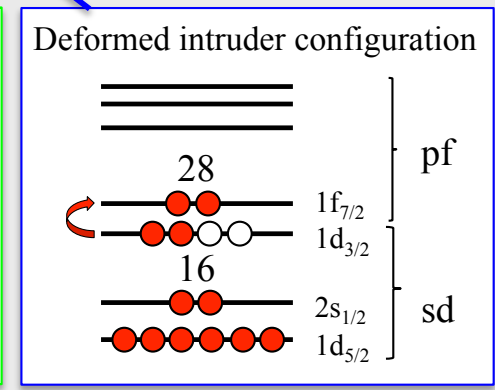
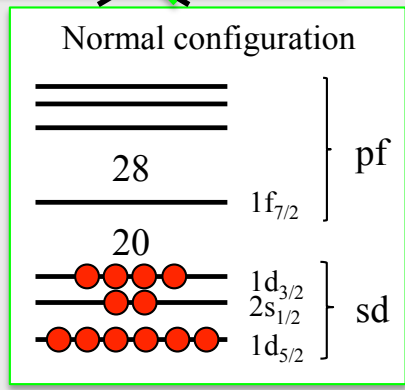
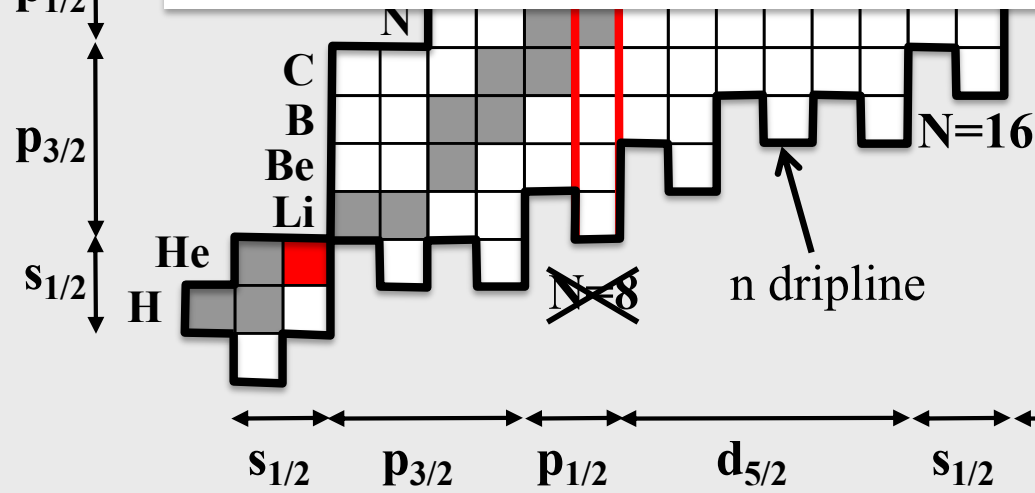
T. Otsuka et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 87, 082502 (2001); Phys. Rev. Lett. 95, 232502 (2005)

First example of shape coexistence today !

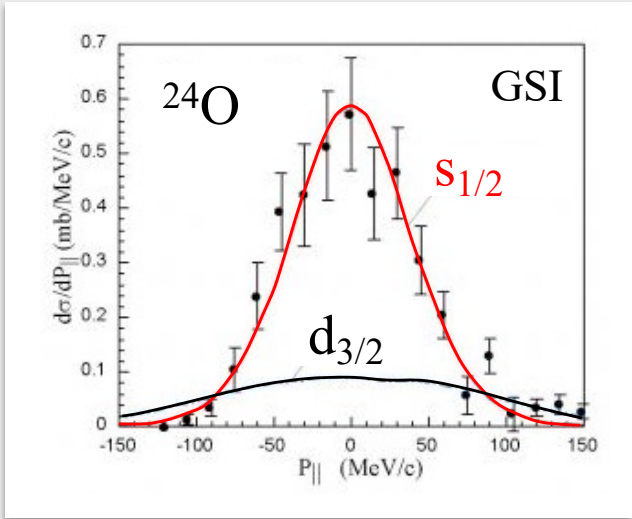
picture



Deformed intruder configuration g.s. in ^{32}Mg !

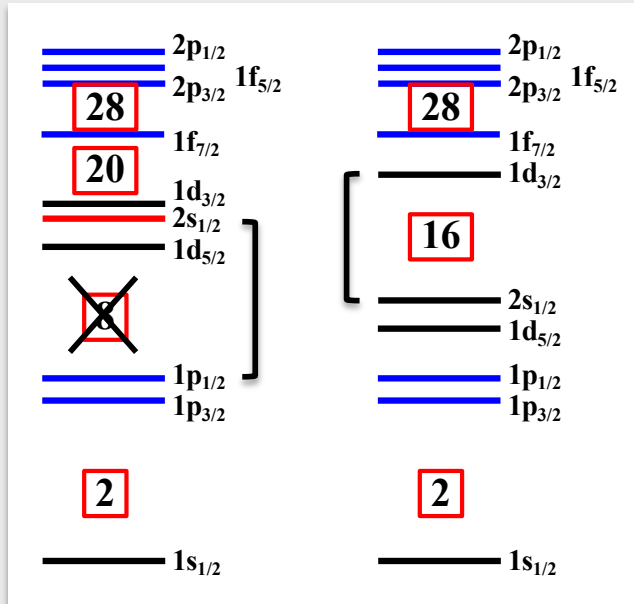


Momentum distributions in $^{23,24}\text{O}$



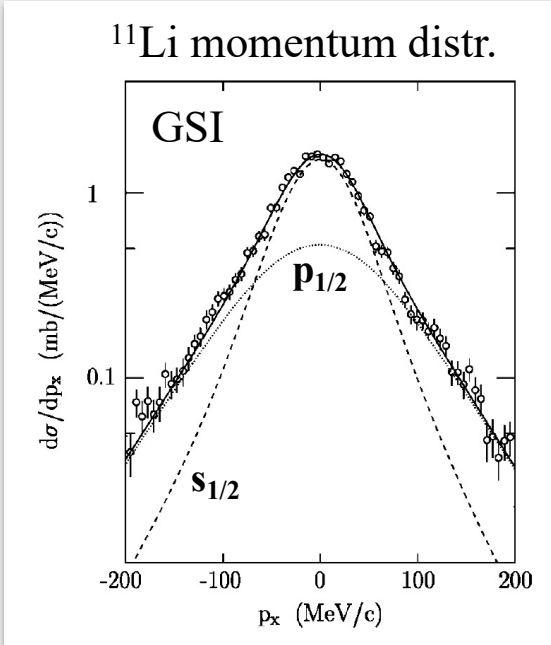
R. Kanungo et al., PRL 102, 152501 (2009)

Last neutron occupies $s_{1/2}$ orbital, no $d_{3/2}$ component !

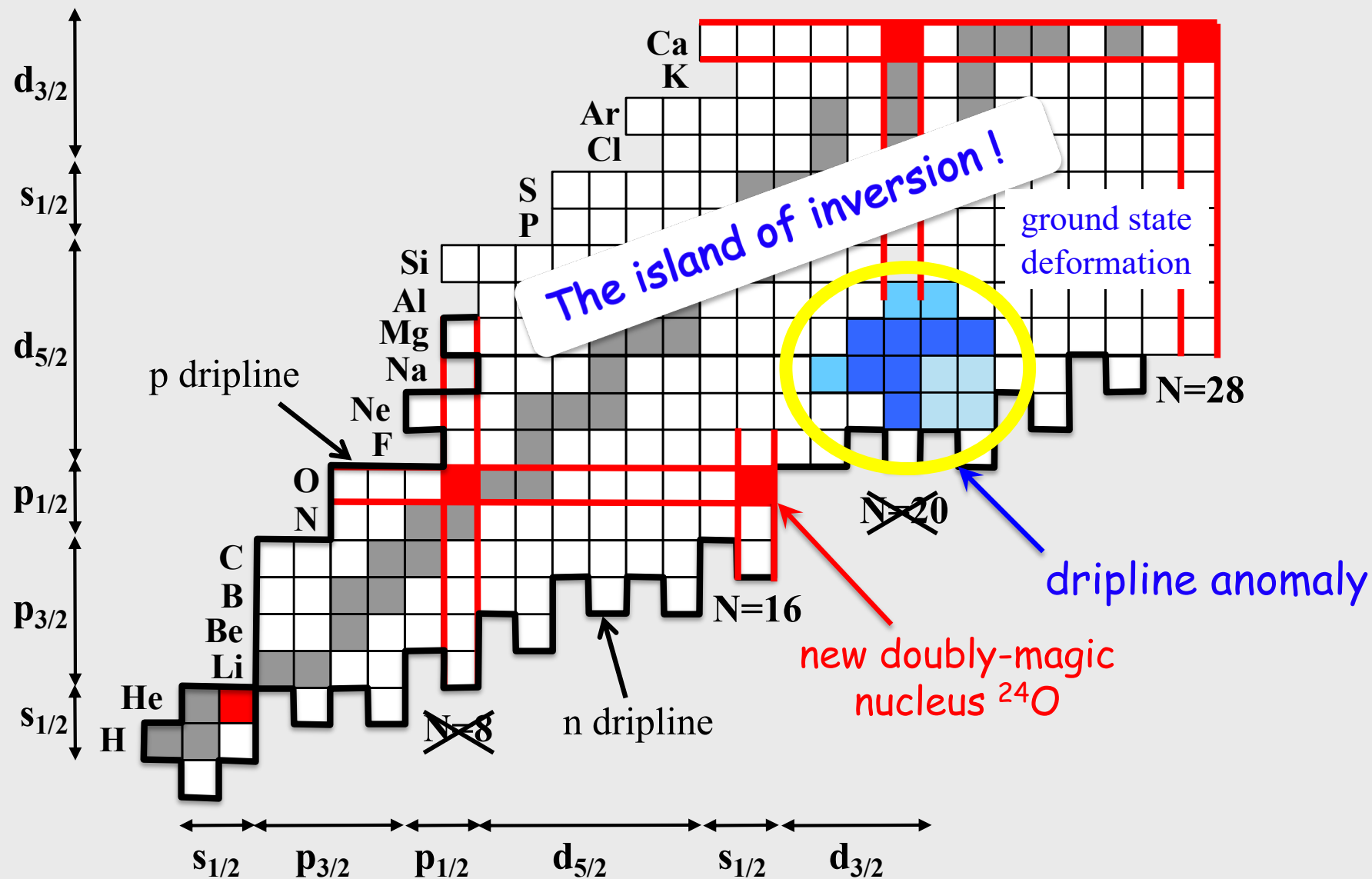


$s_{1/2}$ and $d_{3/2}$ close in energy, mixing to be expected
No mixing \rightarrow N=16 gap !

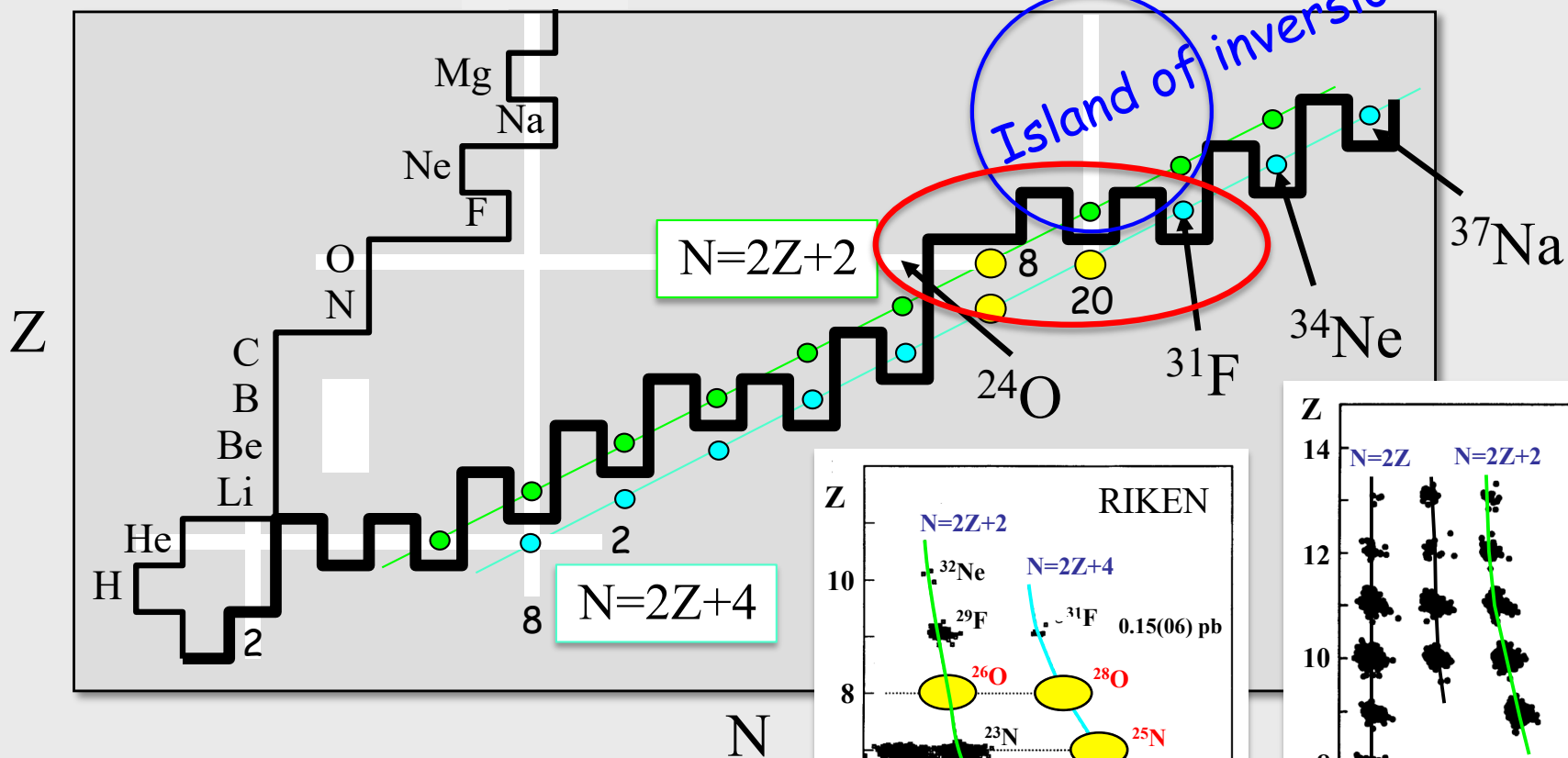
Spherical magic number at N=16,
 ^{24}O doubly magic !



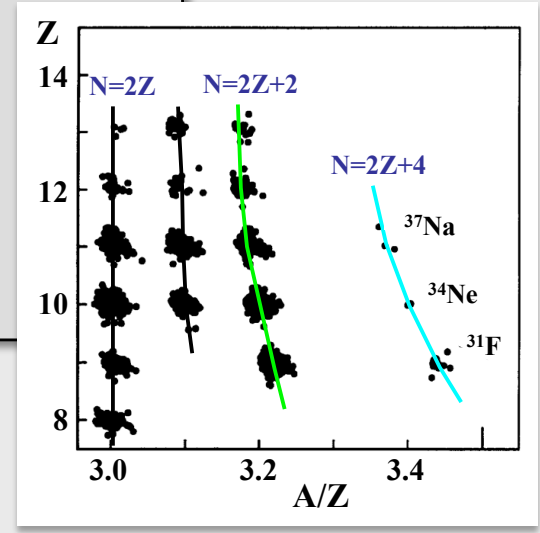
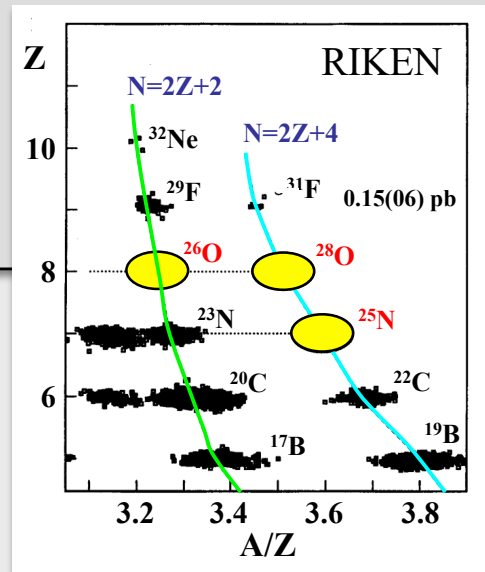
New magic number and the island of inversion



The neutron dripline up to Na



In F ($Z=9$) **six more neutrons** are bound as compared to O ($Z=8$) !

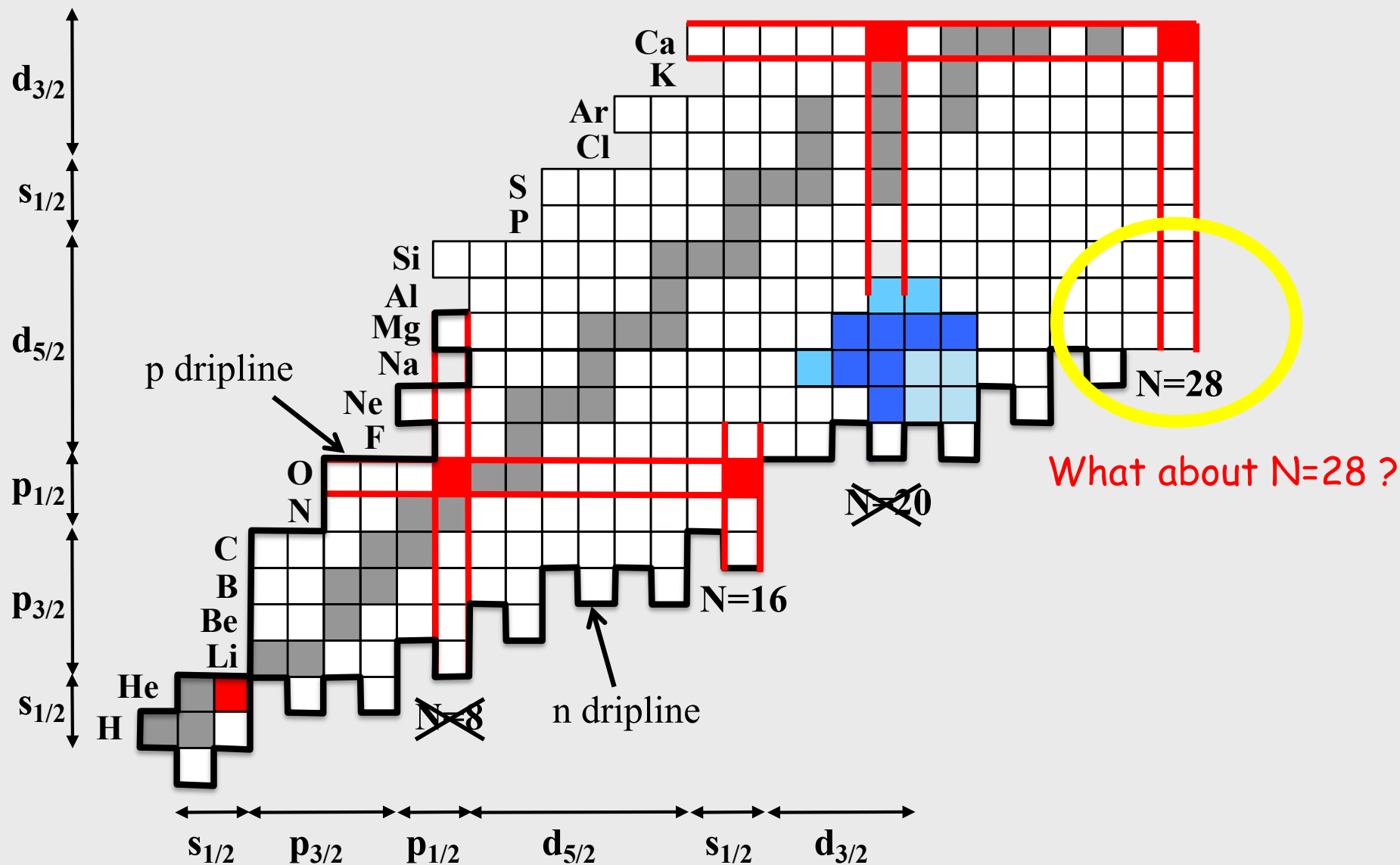


H. Sakurai et al., PLB 448 (1999) 180
M. Notani et al., PLB 542 (2002) 49

Additional binding due to deformation !!!

The mere existence of a nucleus already tells us something ...

New magic number and the island of inversion



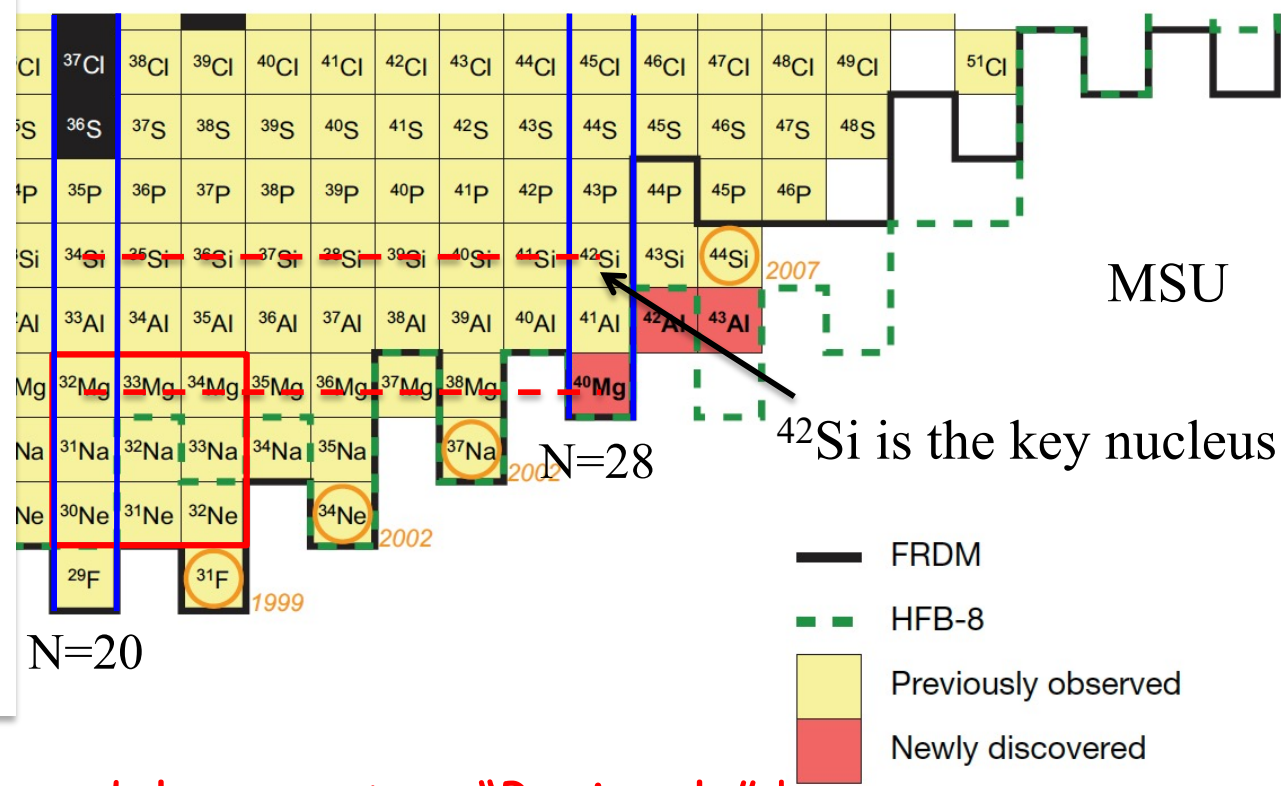
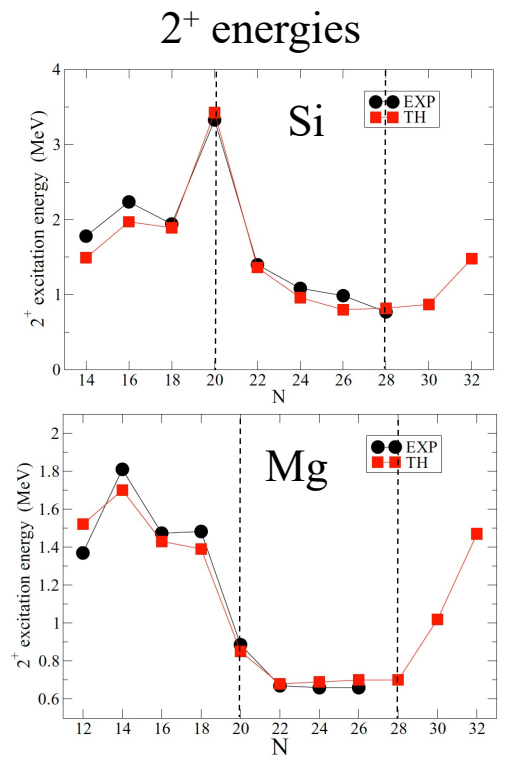
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A second "island of inversion" at N=28 ?

Discovery of ^{40}Mg and ^{42}Al suggests neutron drip-line slant towards heavier isotopes

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| ^{18}C | ^{19}C | ^{20}C | ^{22}C |
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Shell model suggests a "Peninsula" !

- FRDM
- - - HFB-8
- Yellow box: Previously observed
- Red box: Newly discovered

What about the N=28 shell closure ?

More complete experimental information needed !

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'Magic' nucleus ^{42}Si

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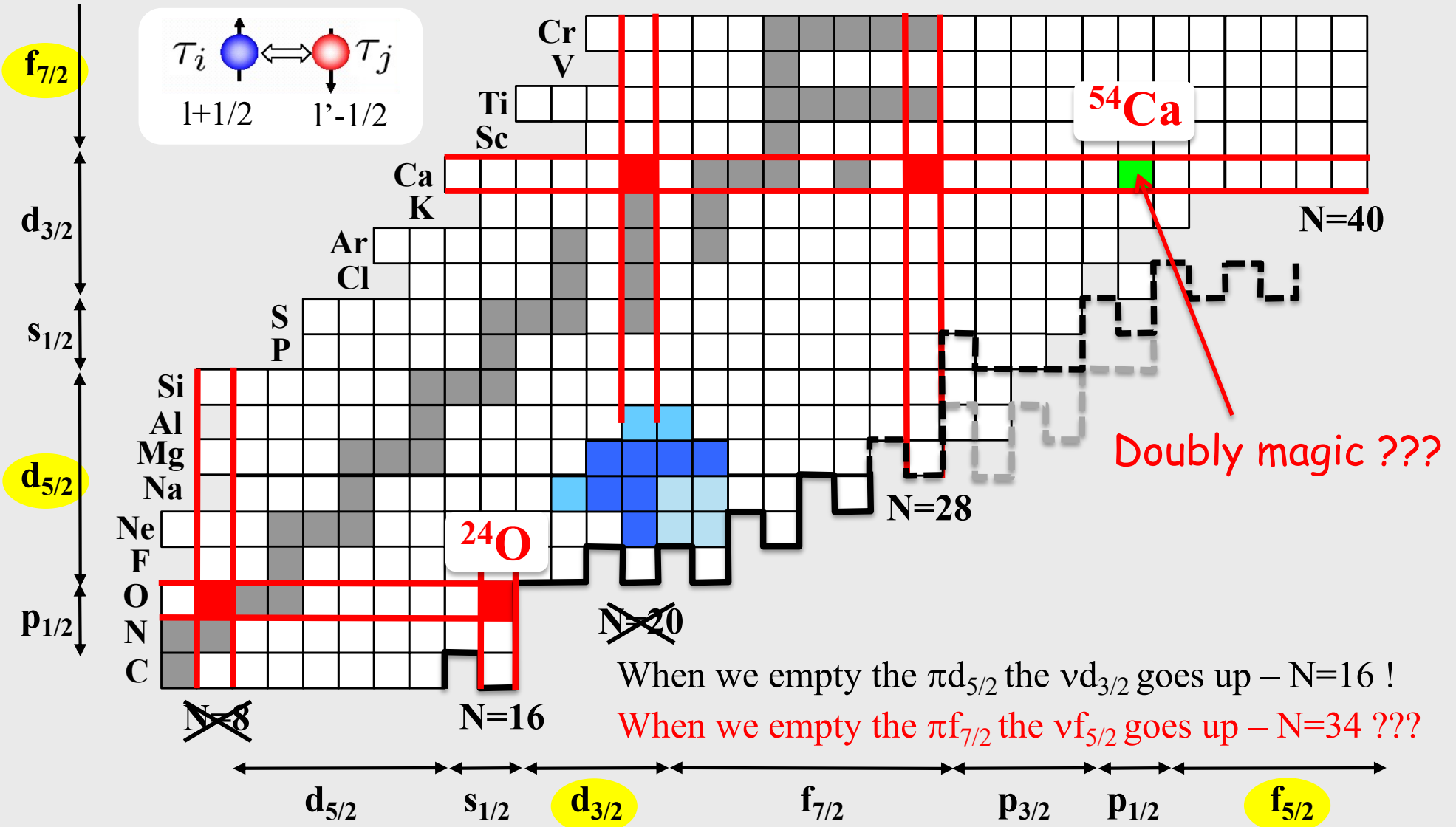
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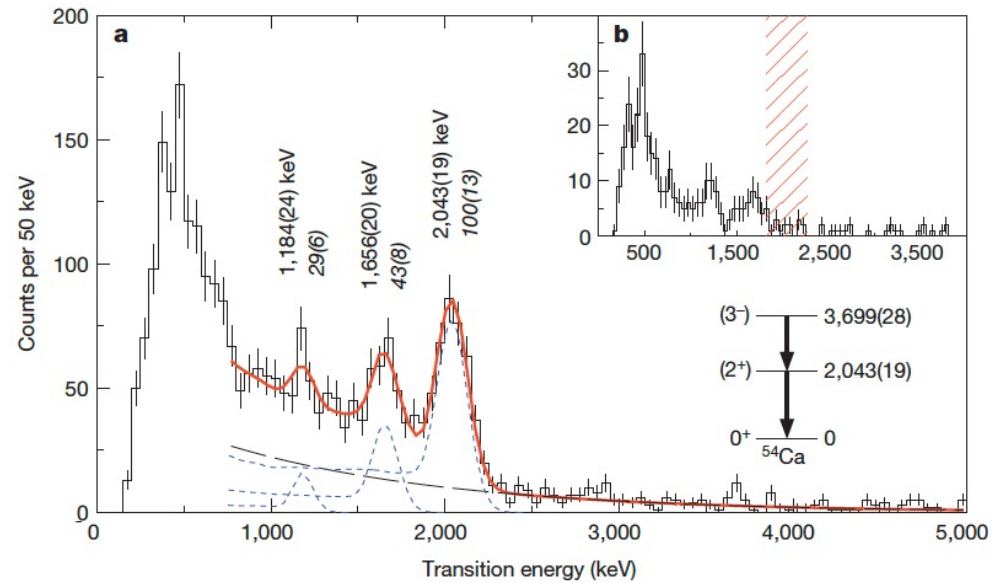
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N=34



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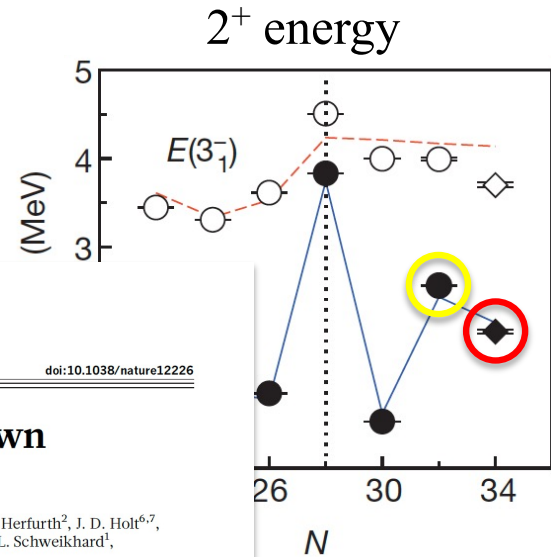
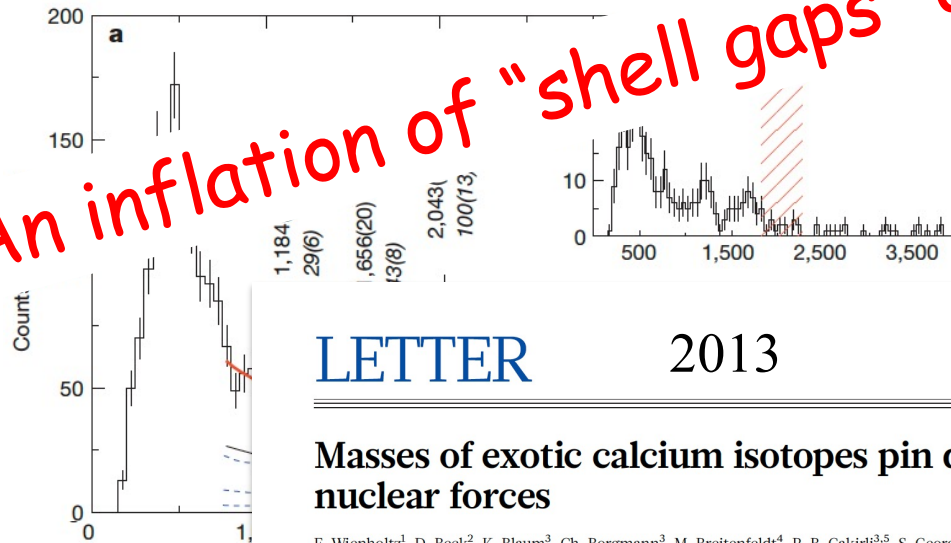
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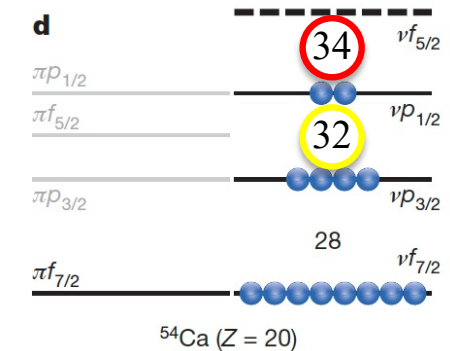
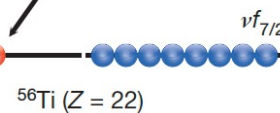
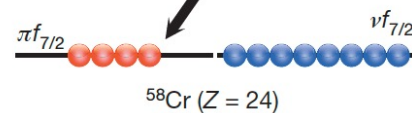
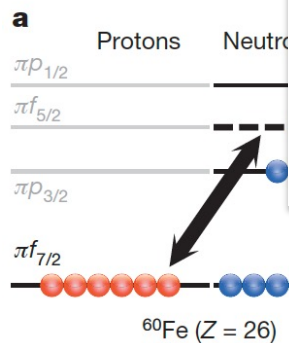
An inflation of "shell gaps" and "magic numbers"!



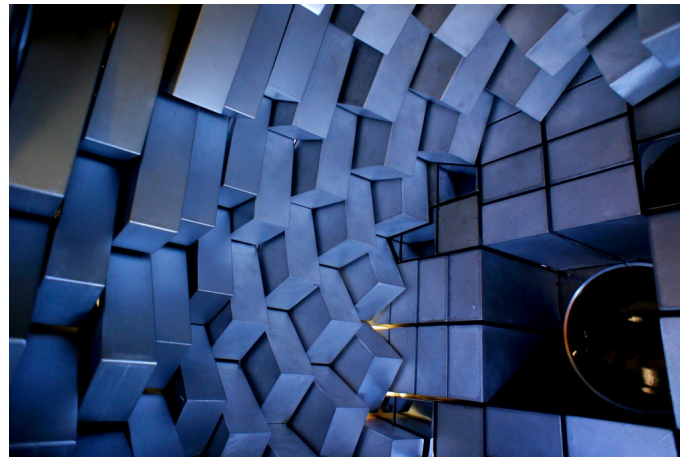
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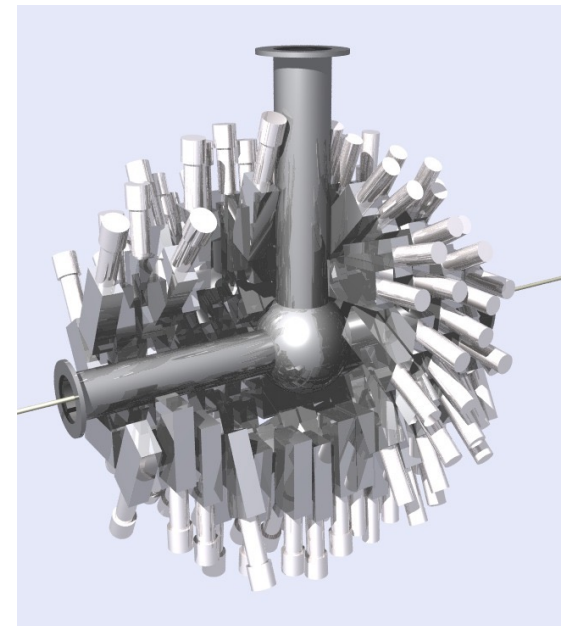
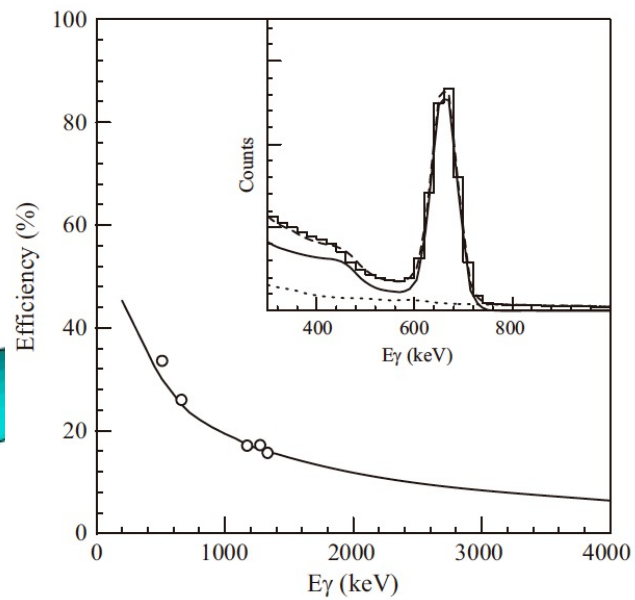
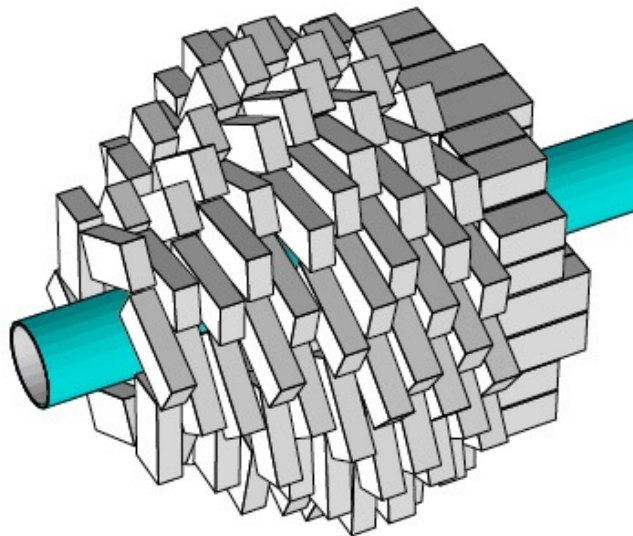
masses evolve for heavier calcium isotopes. Here we report the mass determination of the exotic calcium isotopes ^{53}Ca and ^{54}Ca , using the multi-reflection time-of-flight mass spectrometer⁷ of ISOLTRAP at CERN. The measured masses unambiguously establish a prominent shell closure at neutron number $N = 32$, in excellent agreement with our theoretical calculations. These results increase our



The γ -ray spectrometer DALI2 at RIKEN

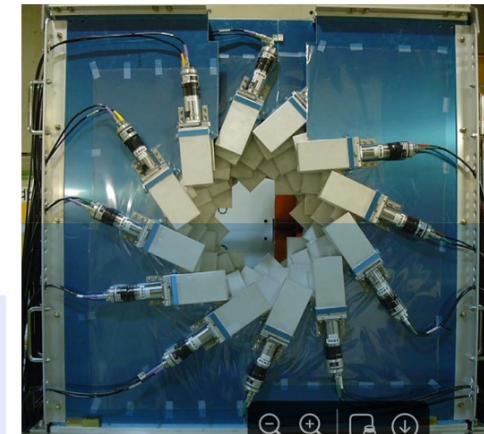
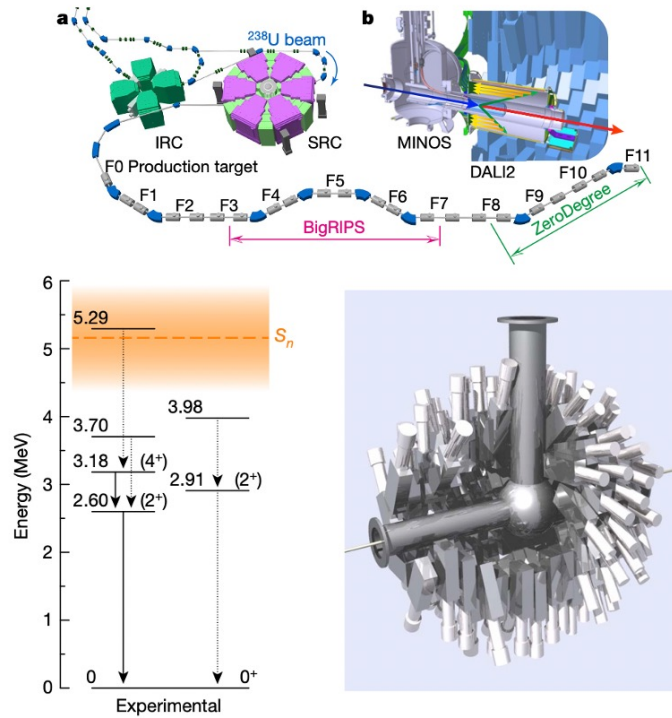
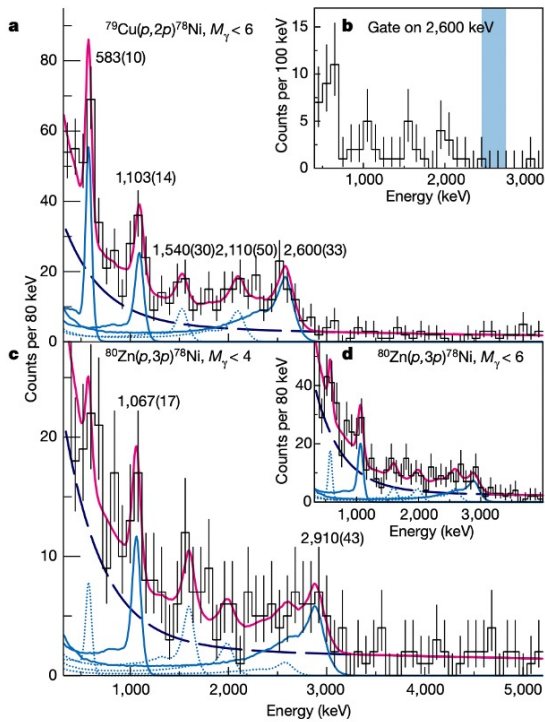


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^{78}Ni revealed as a doubly magic stronghold against nuclear deformation

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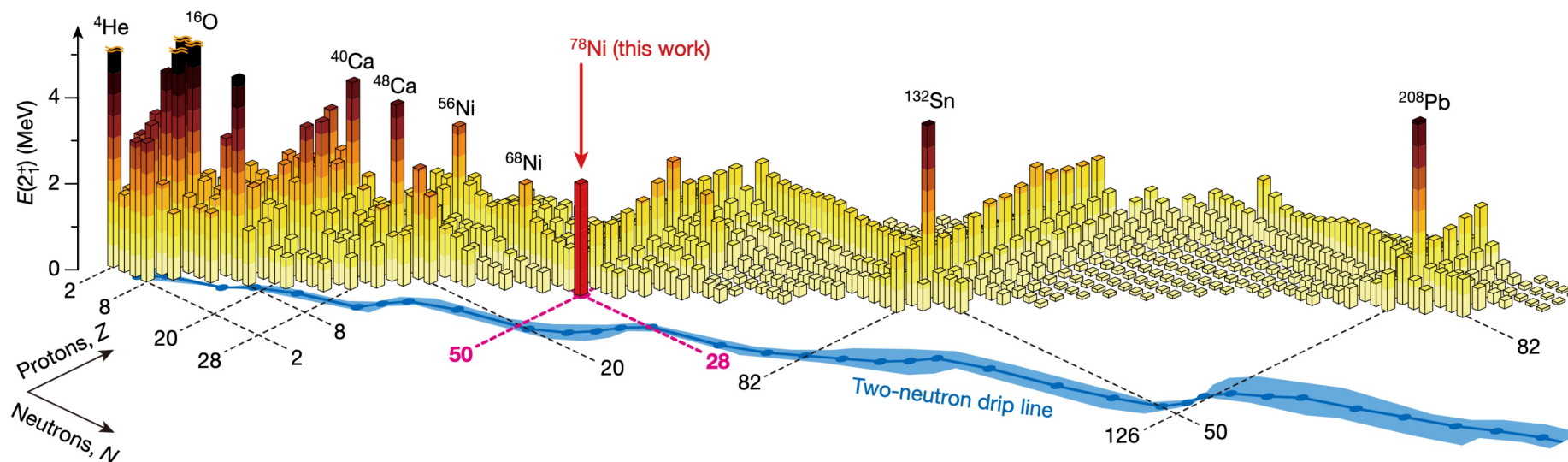


Fig. 1 | Experimental $E(2_1^+)$ systematics of the even-even nuclear landscape. Shown are known $E(2_1^+)$ of even-even isotopes⁴⁰ and the value for ^{78}Ni obtained in the present study. Canonical magic numbers are indicated by dashed lines and doubly magic nuclei are labelled. ^{68}Ni , for

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The heavier neutron-rich region

Single-particle energies (and consequently shell gaps) change with isospin - as they do with deformation (and rotation) !

