

HIγS and S-DALINAC experiments elucidating weak processes



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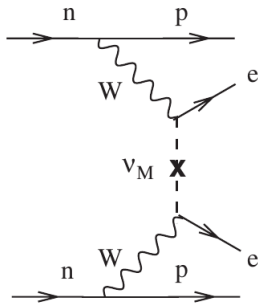


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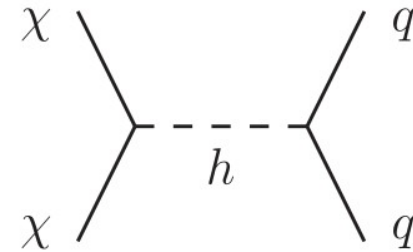


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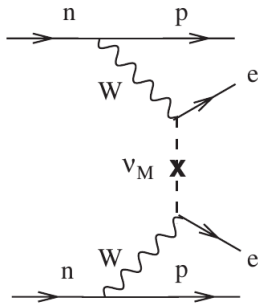


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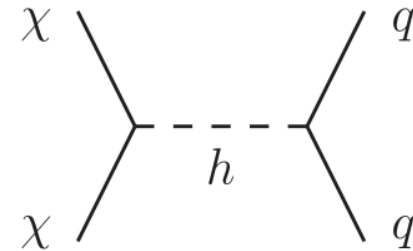


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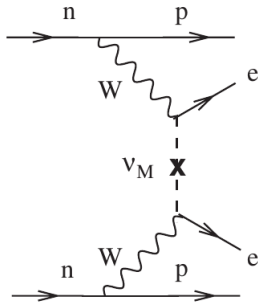


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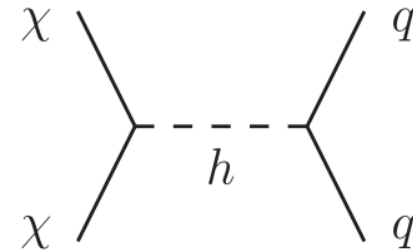


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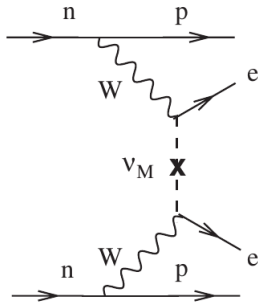


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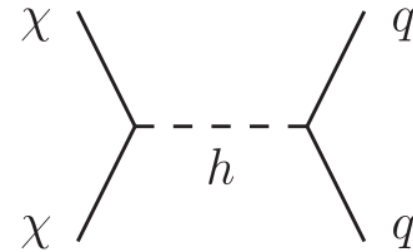


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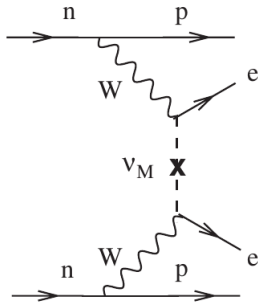


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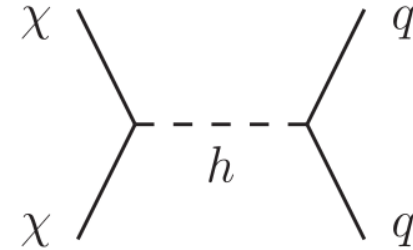


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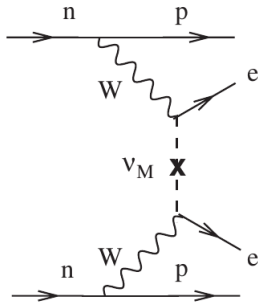


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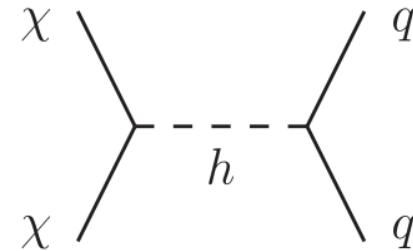


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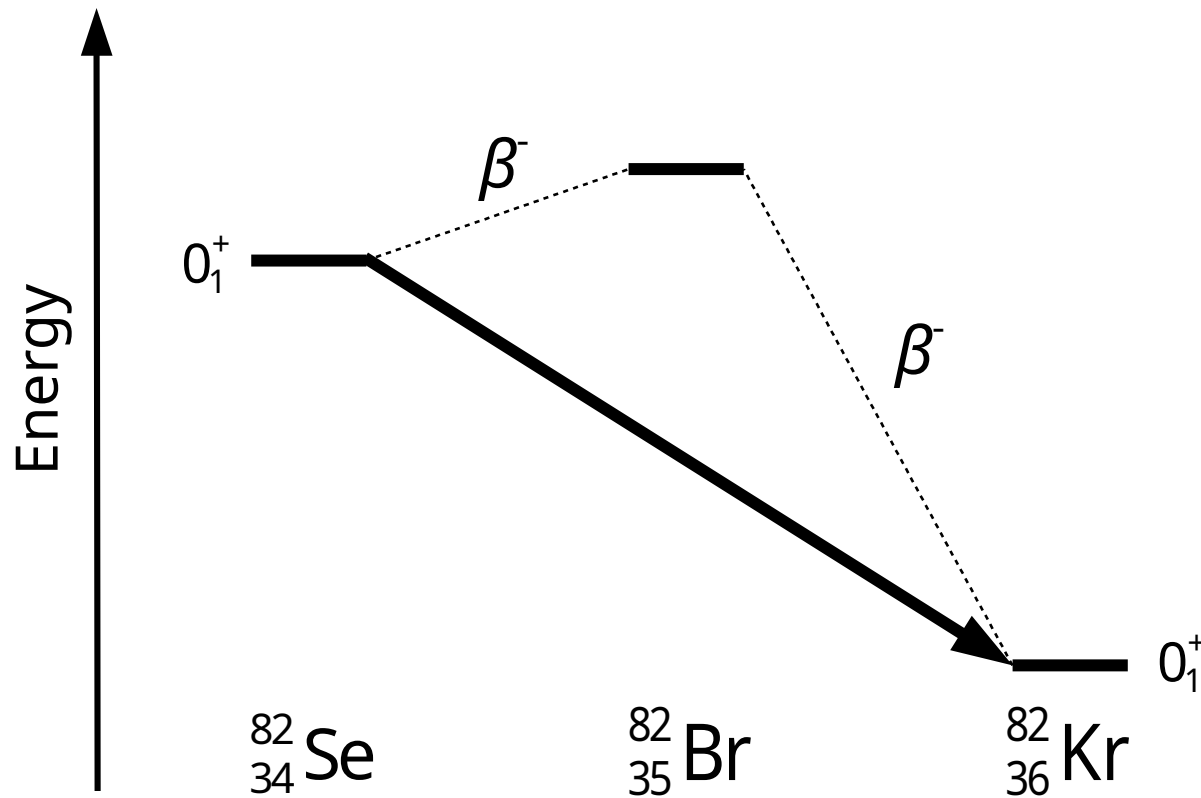
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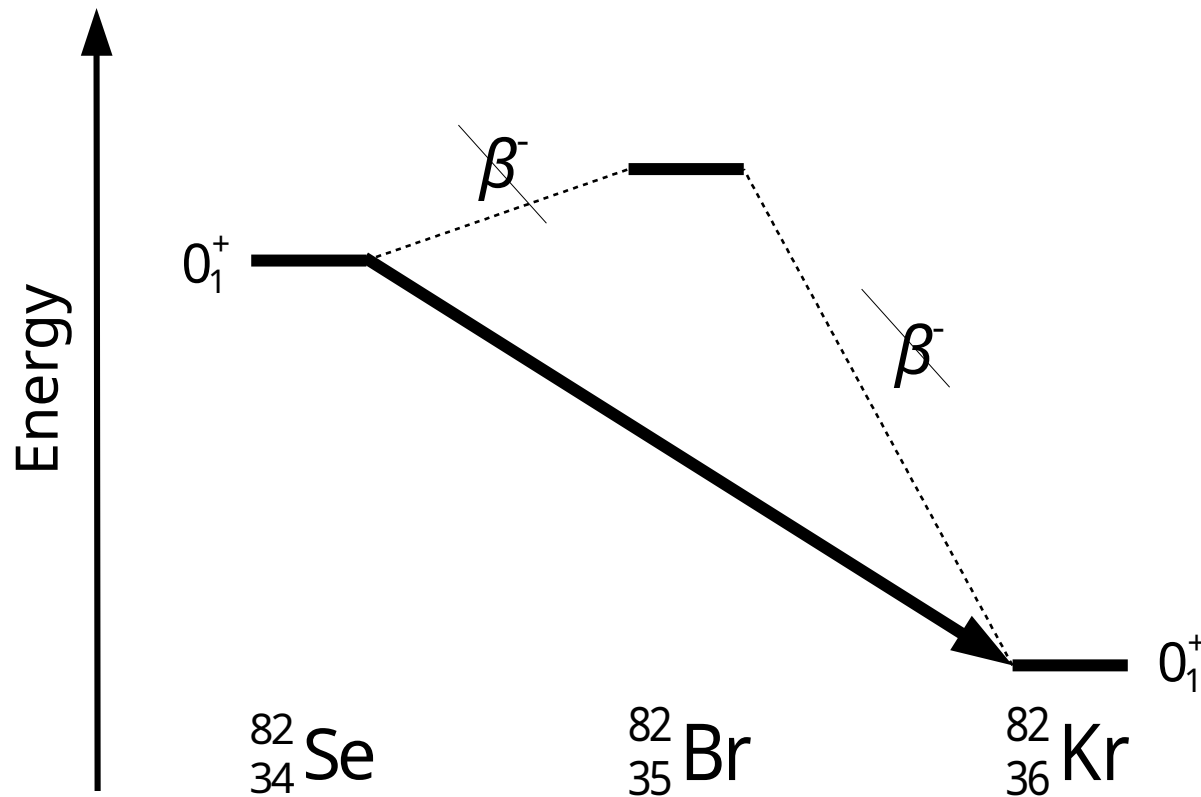


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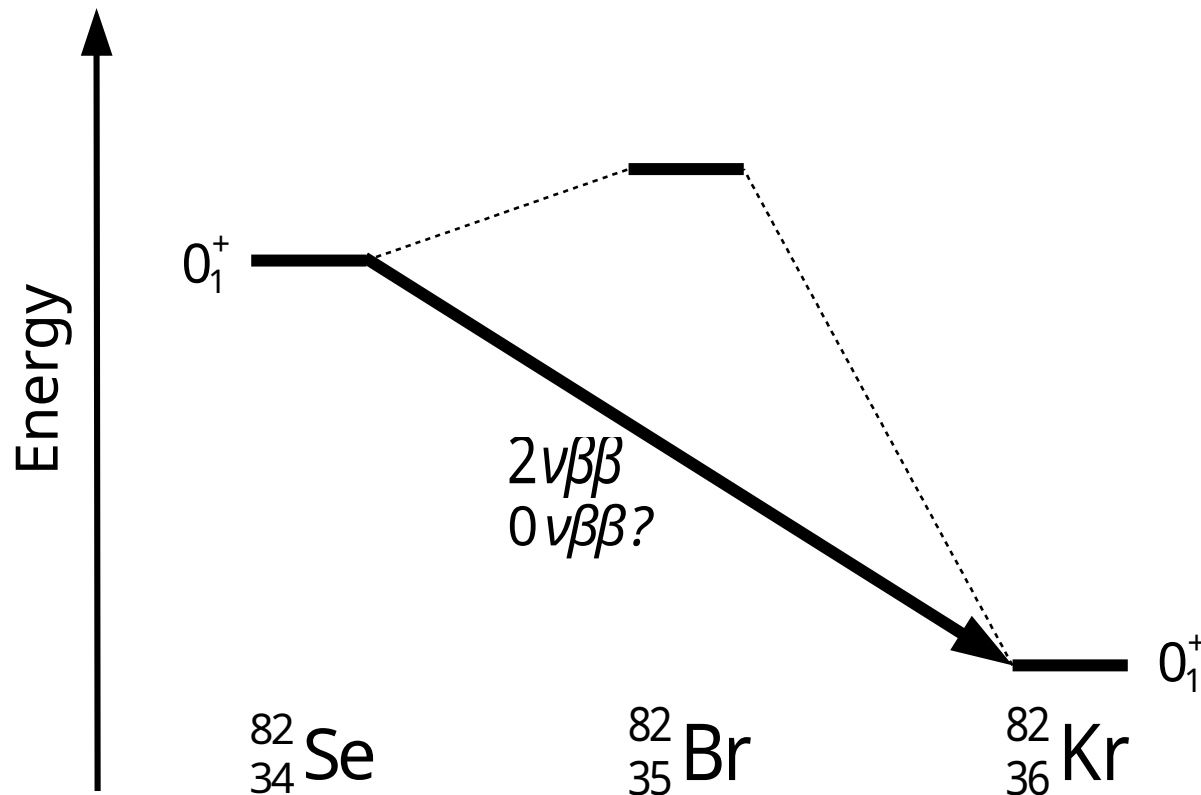


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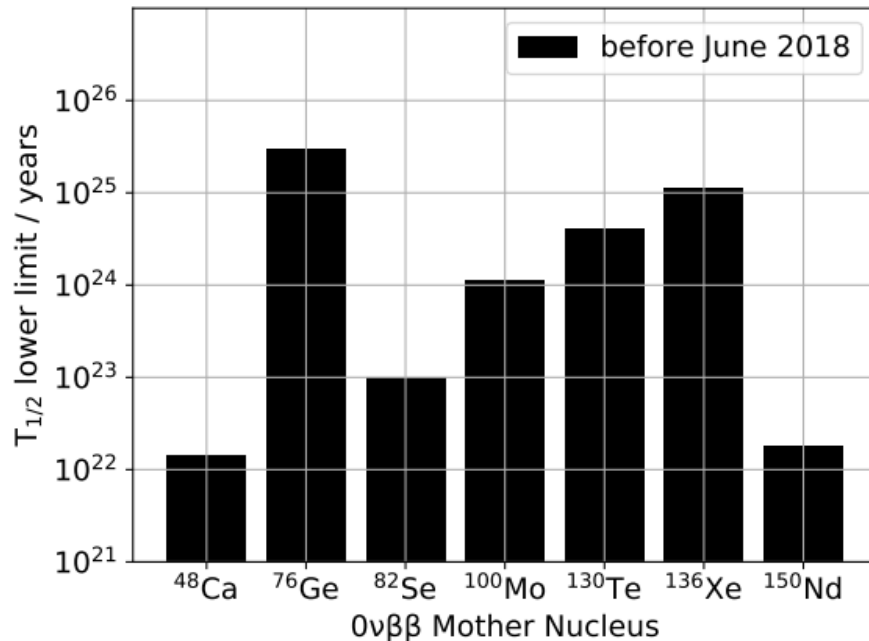


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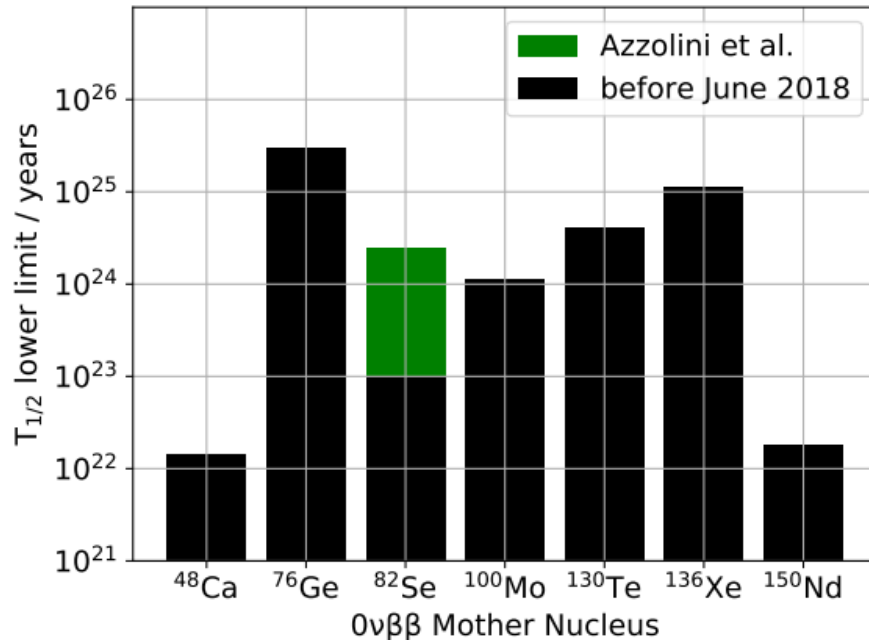
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^{100}Mo : R. Arnold et al., Phys. Rev. D **89** (2014) 111101(R) (NEMO-3)

^{136}Xe : J. Albert et al., Nature **510** (2014) 229 (EXO-200)

^{150}Nd : J. Argyriades et al., Phys. Rev. C **80** (2009) 032501 (NEMO-3)

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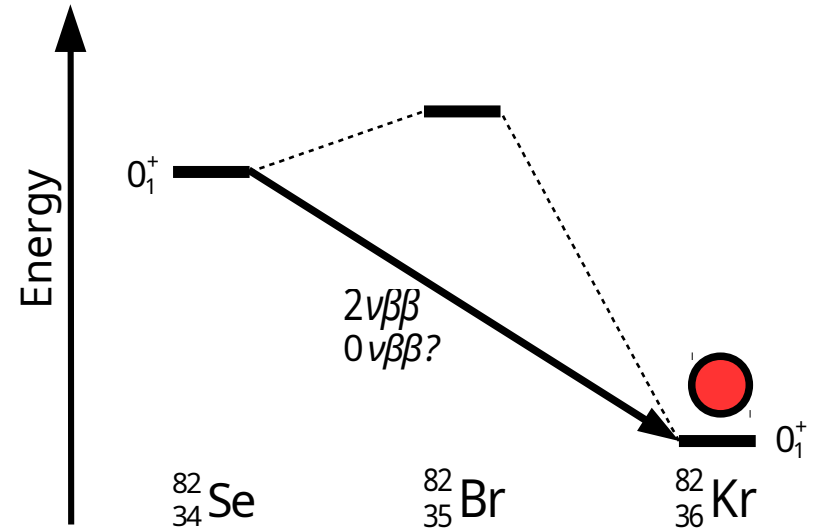
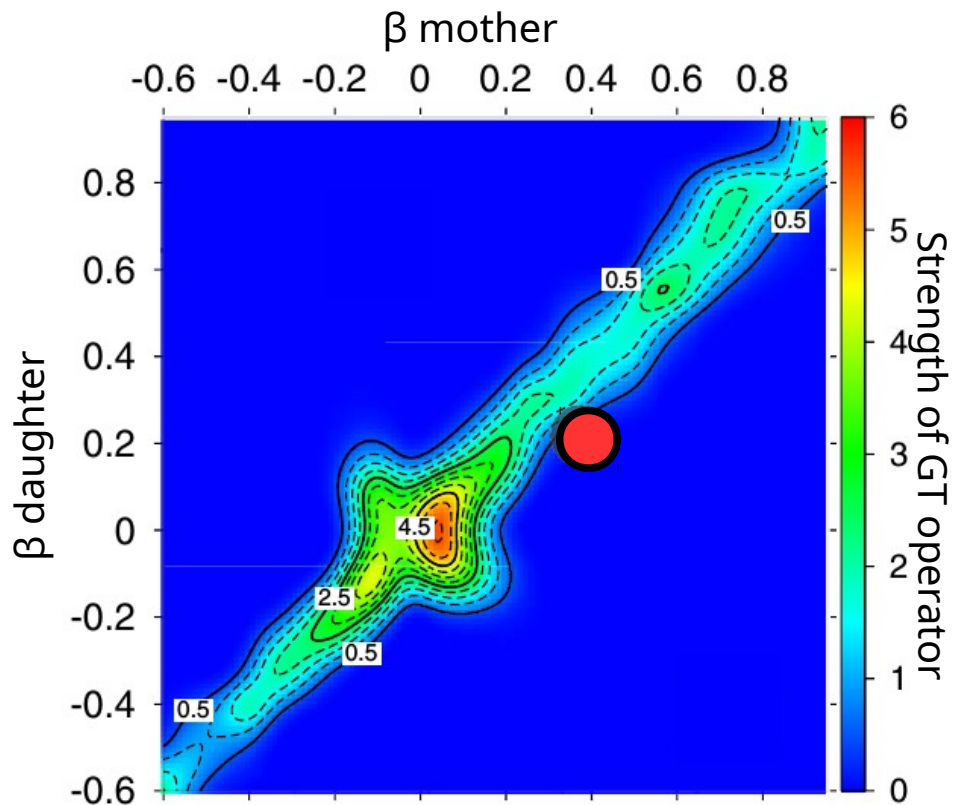
Editors' Suggestion

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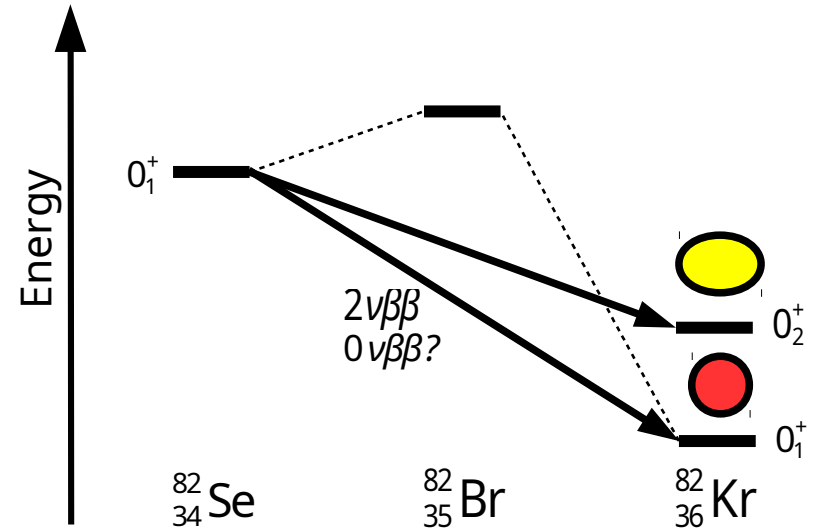
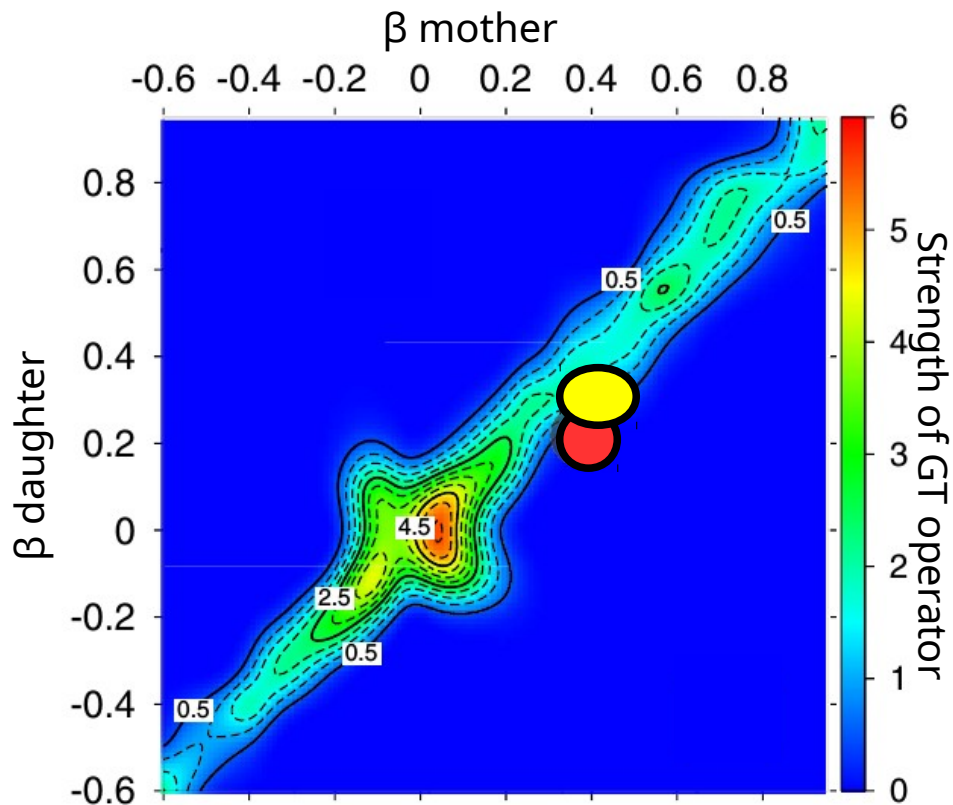
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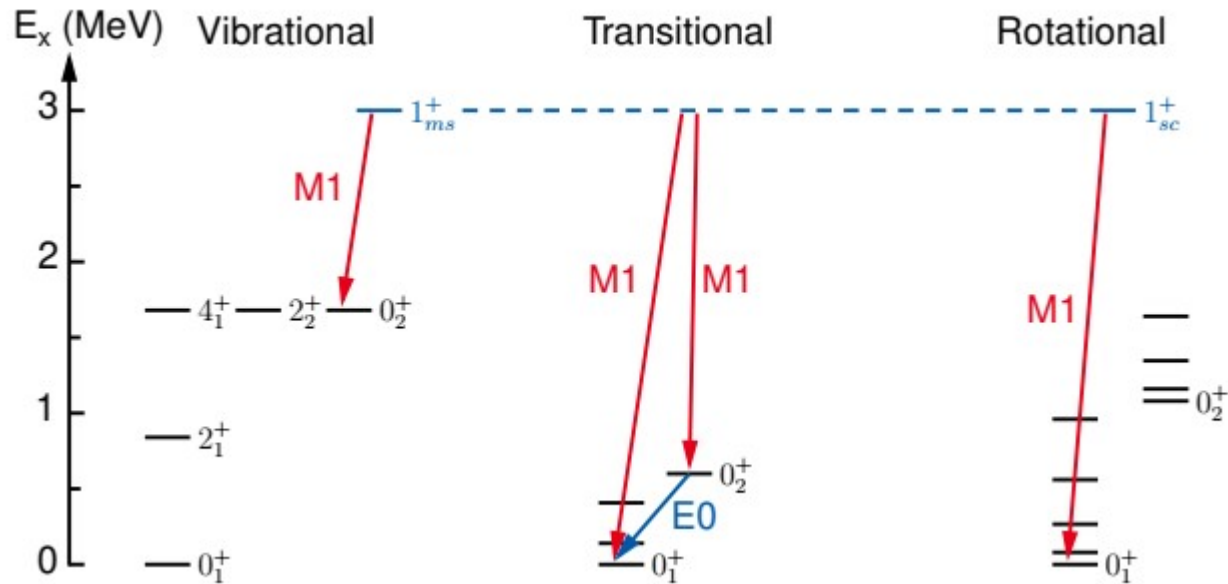
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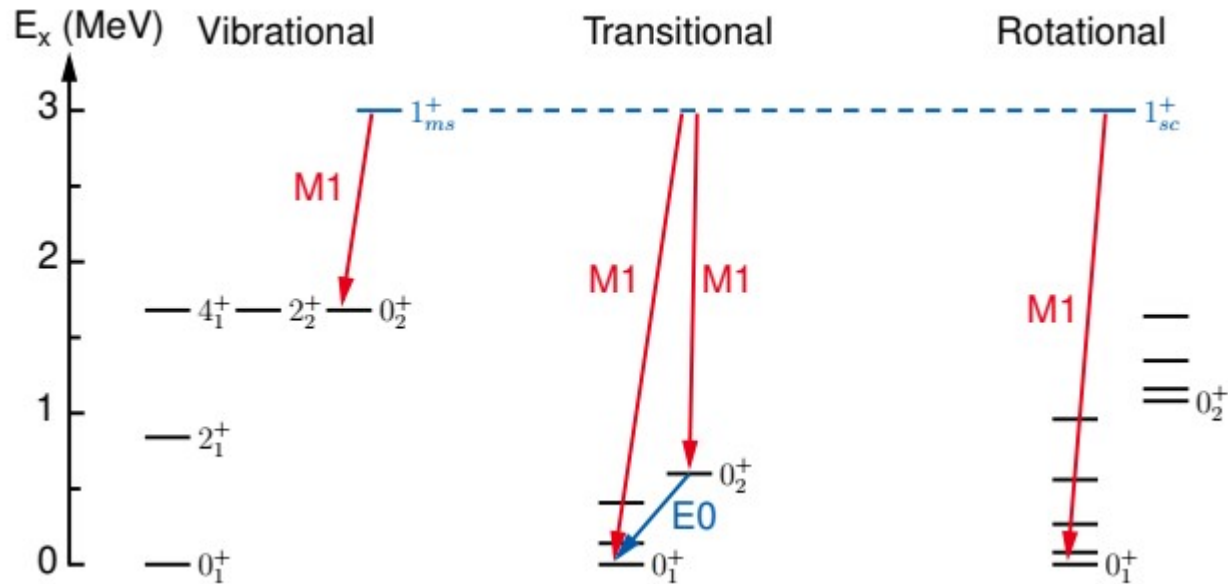
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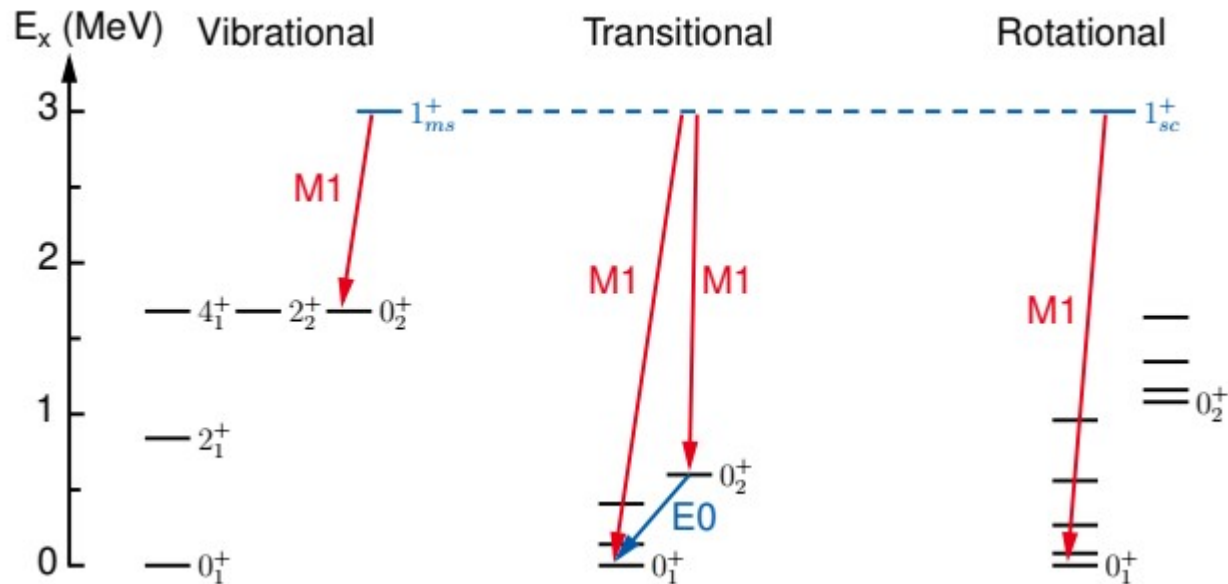
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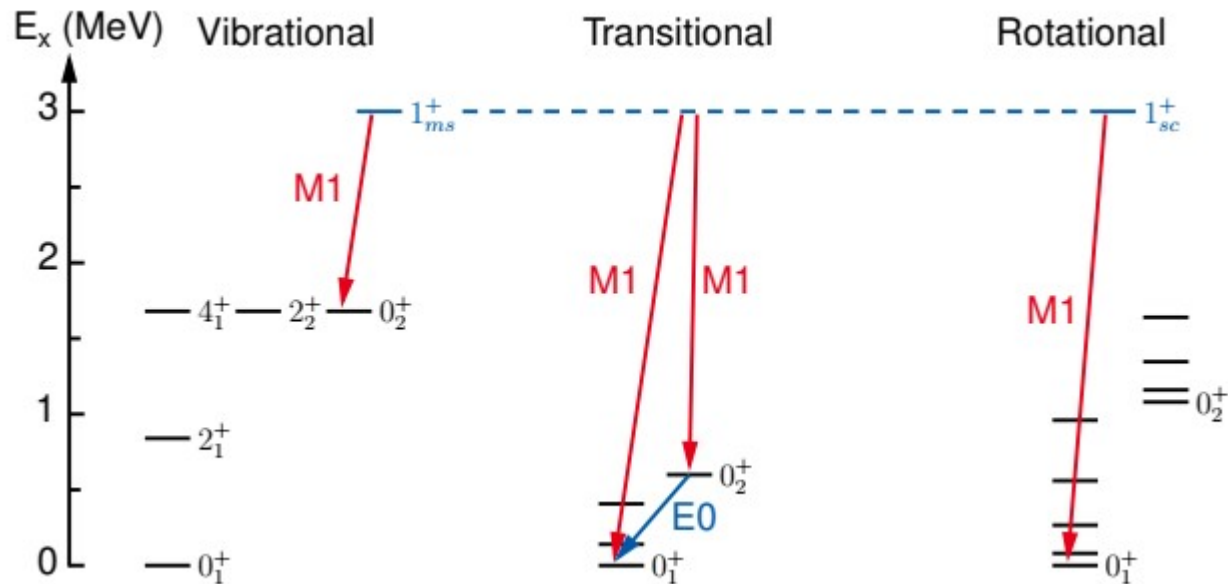
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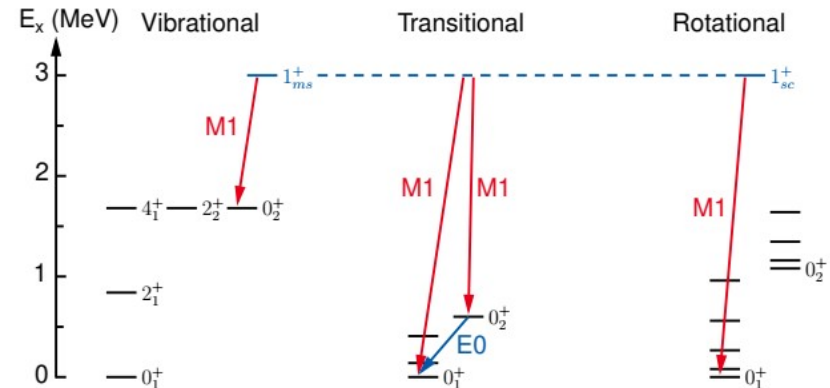
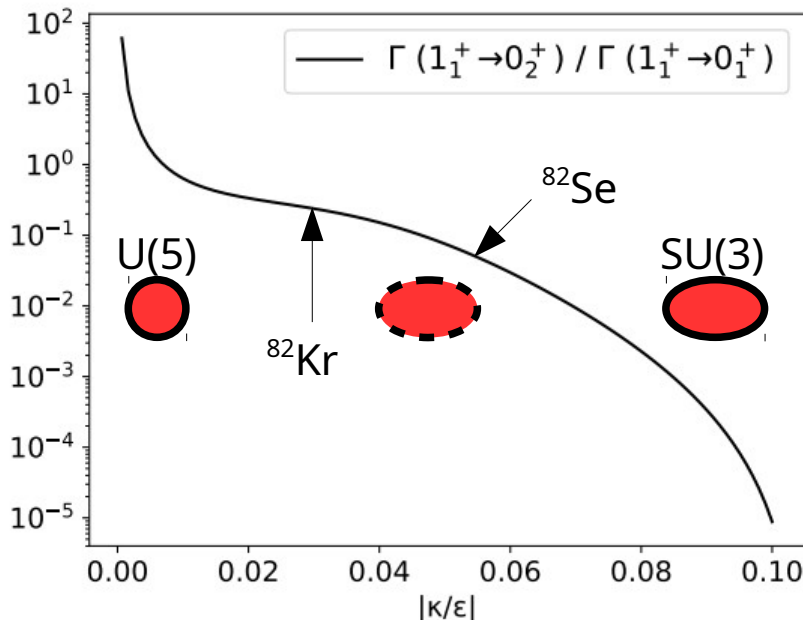
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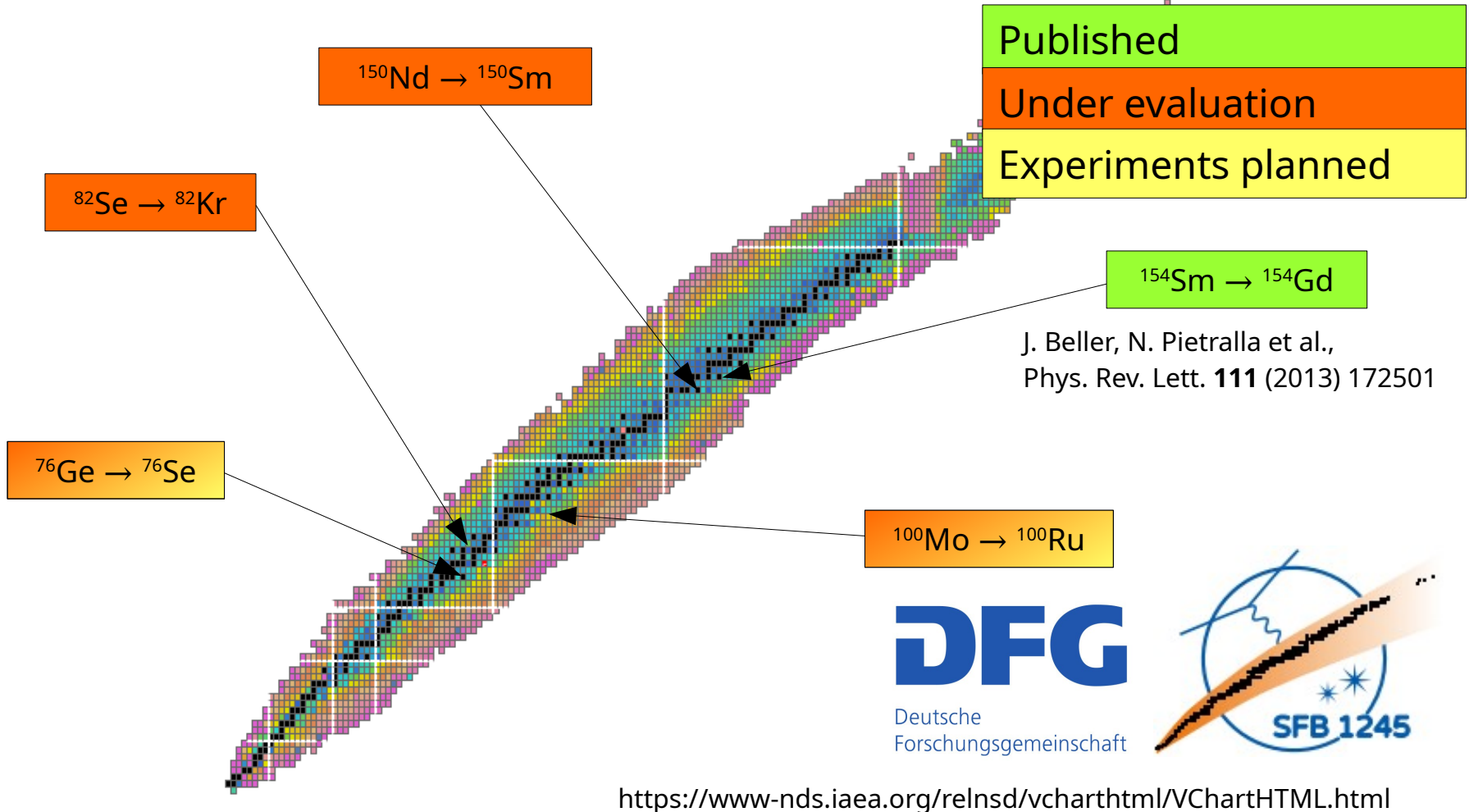
→ Schematic calculation in Interacting Boson Model (IBM)

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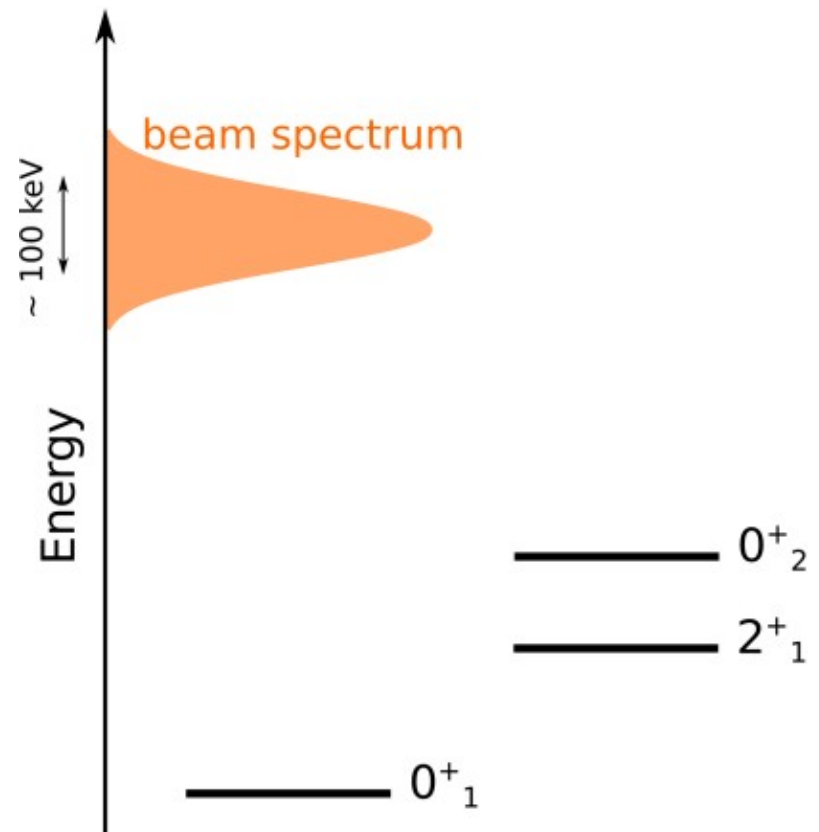
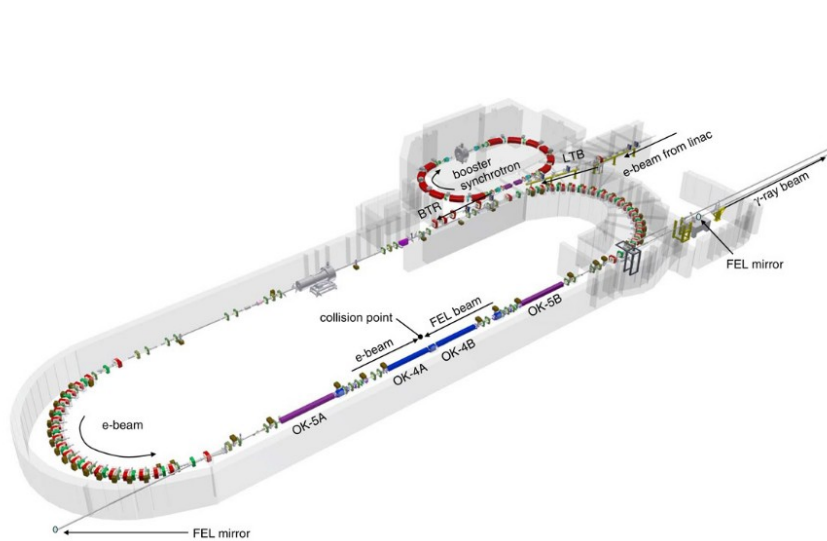


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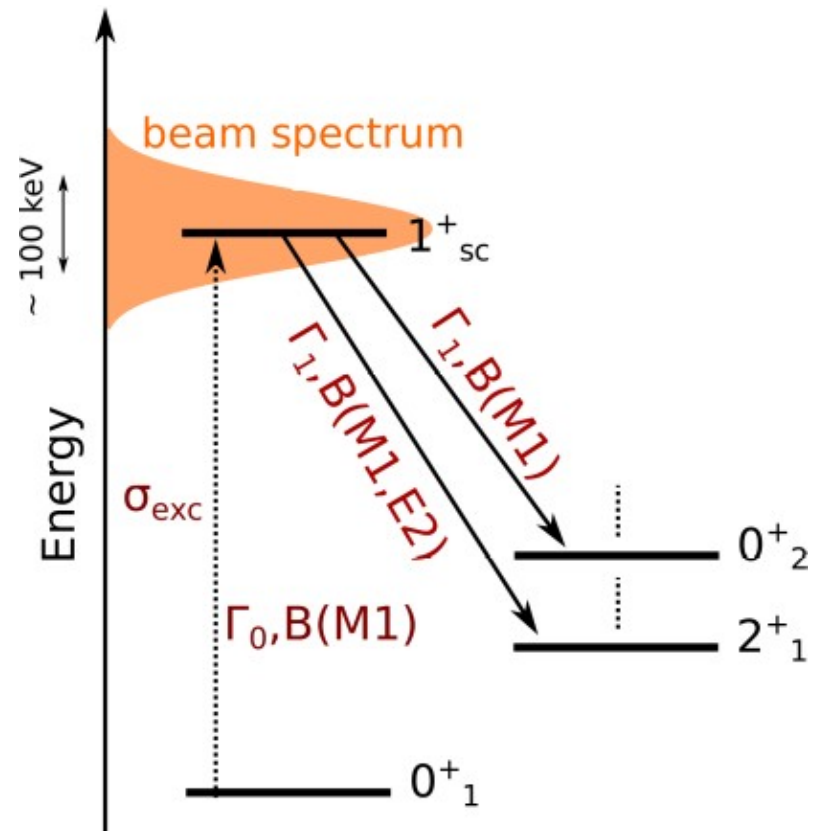
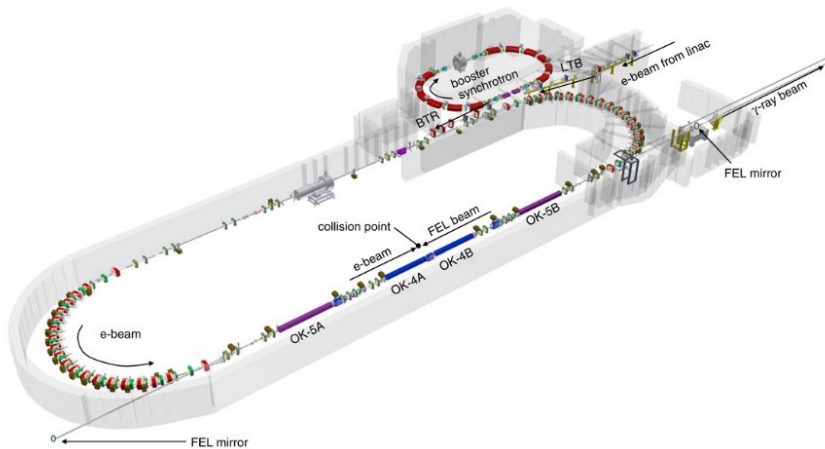
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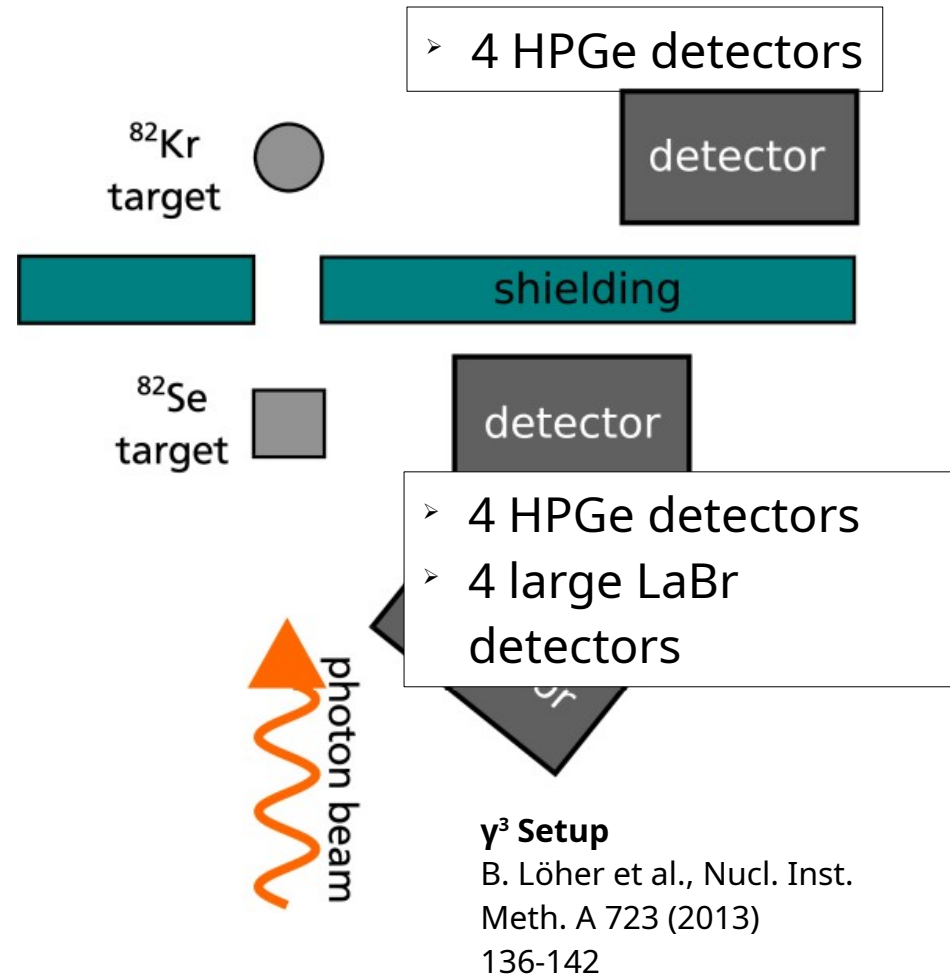
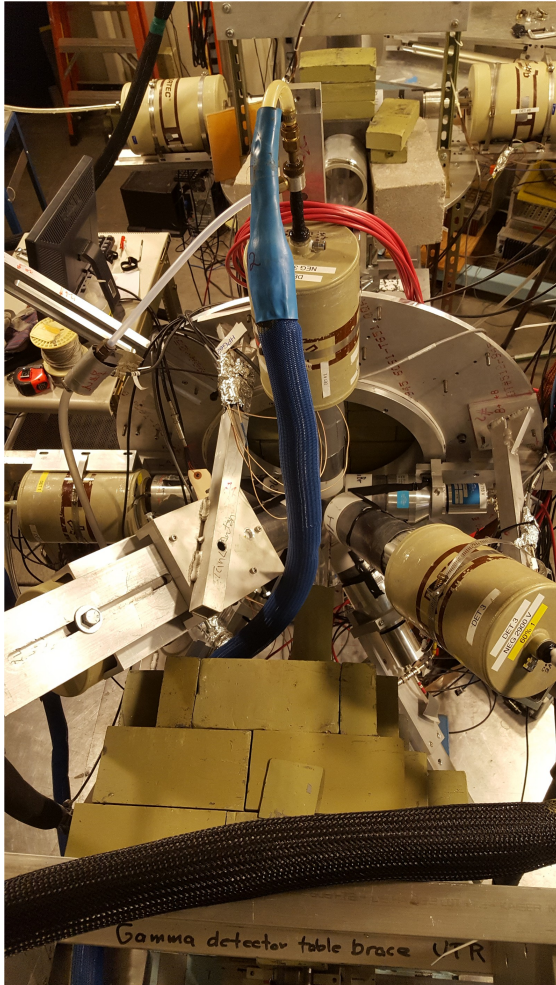
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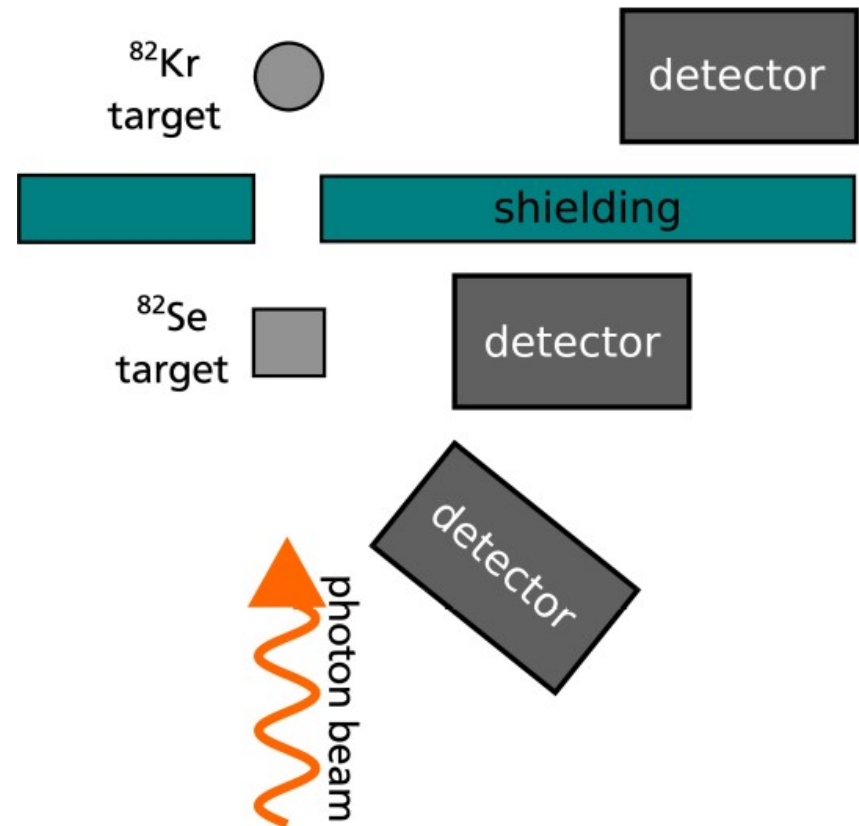
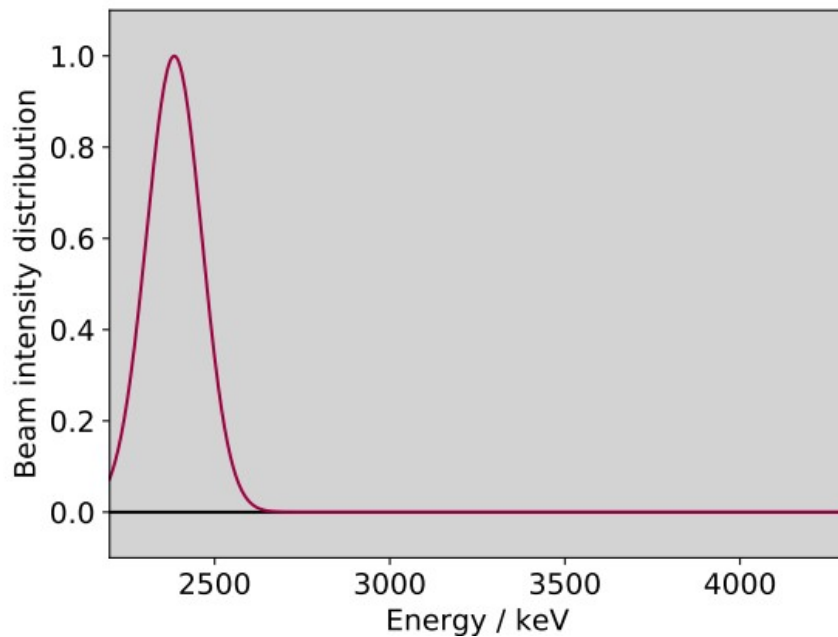
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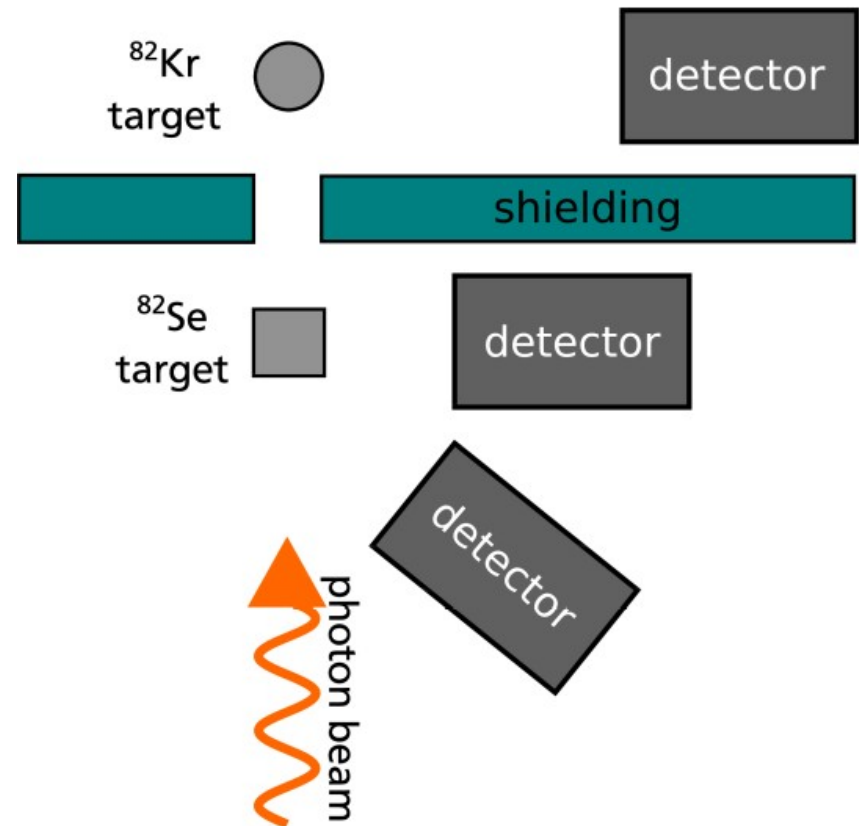
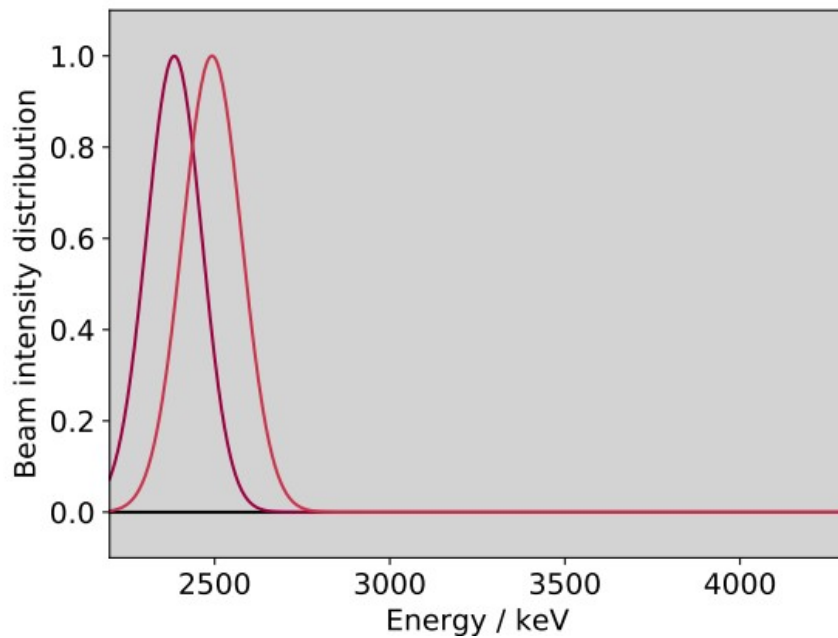
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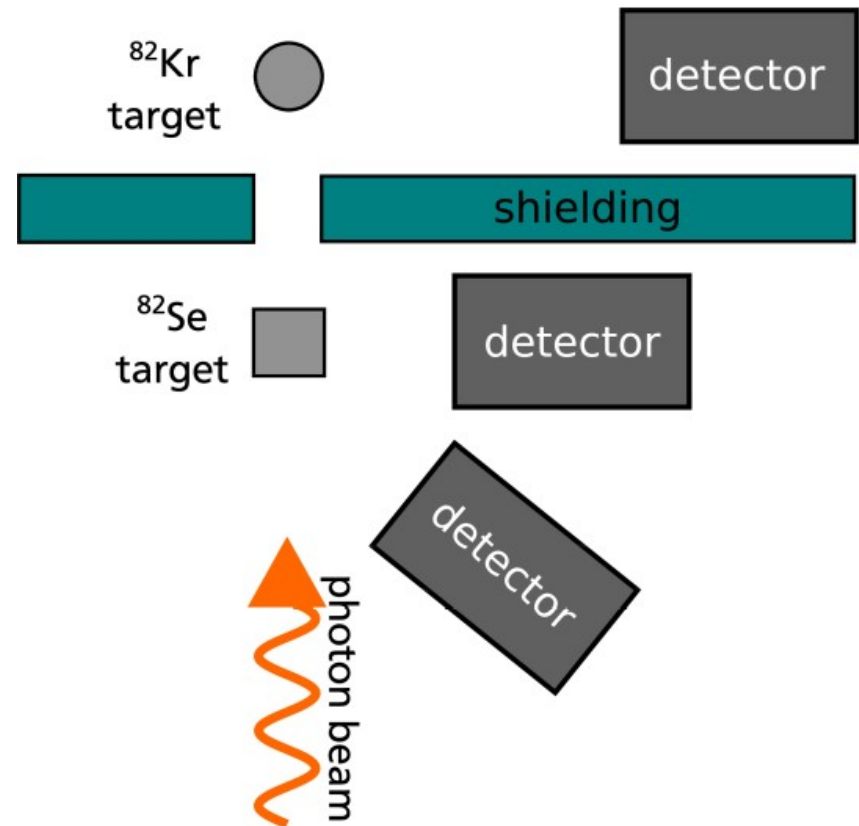
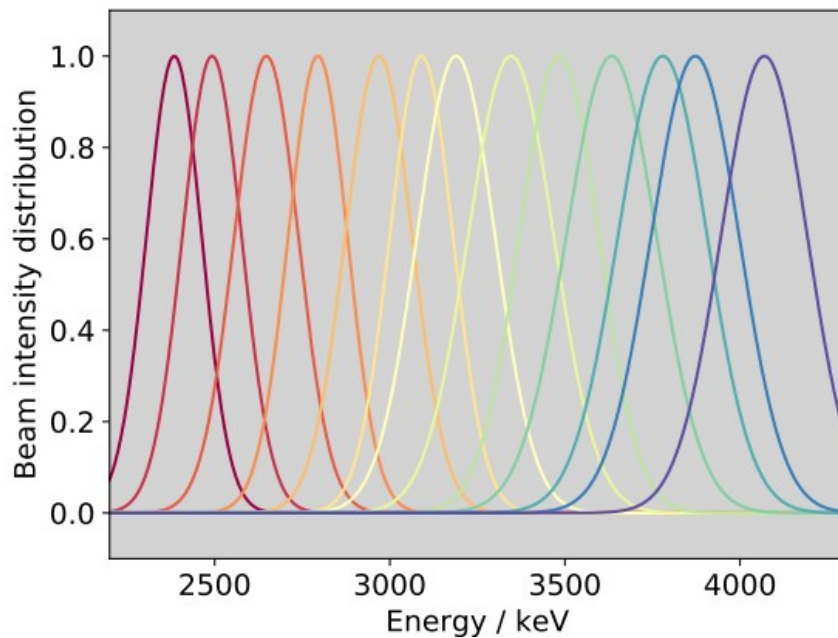
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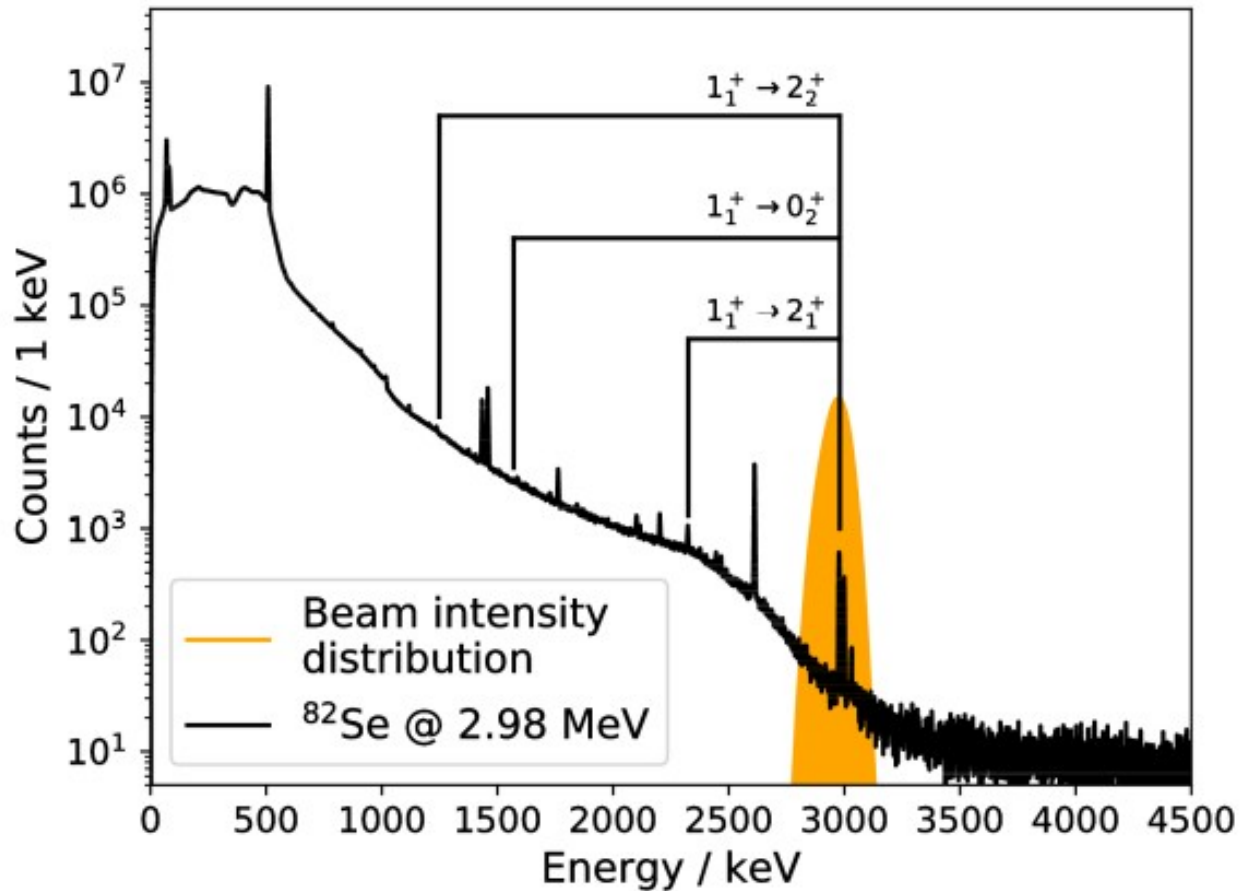


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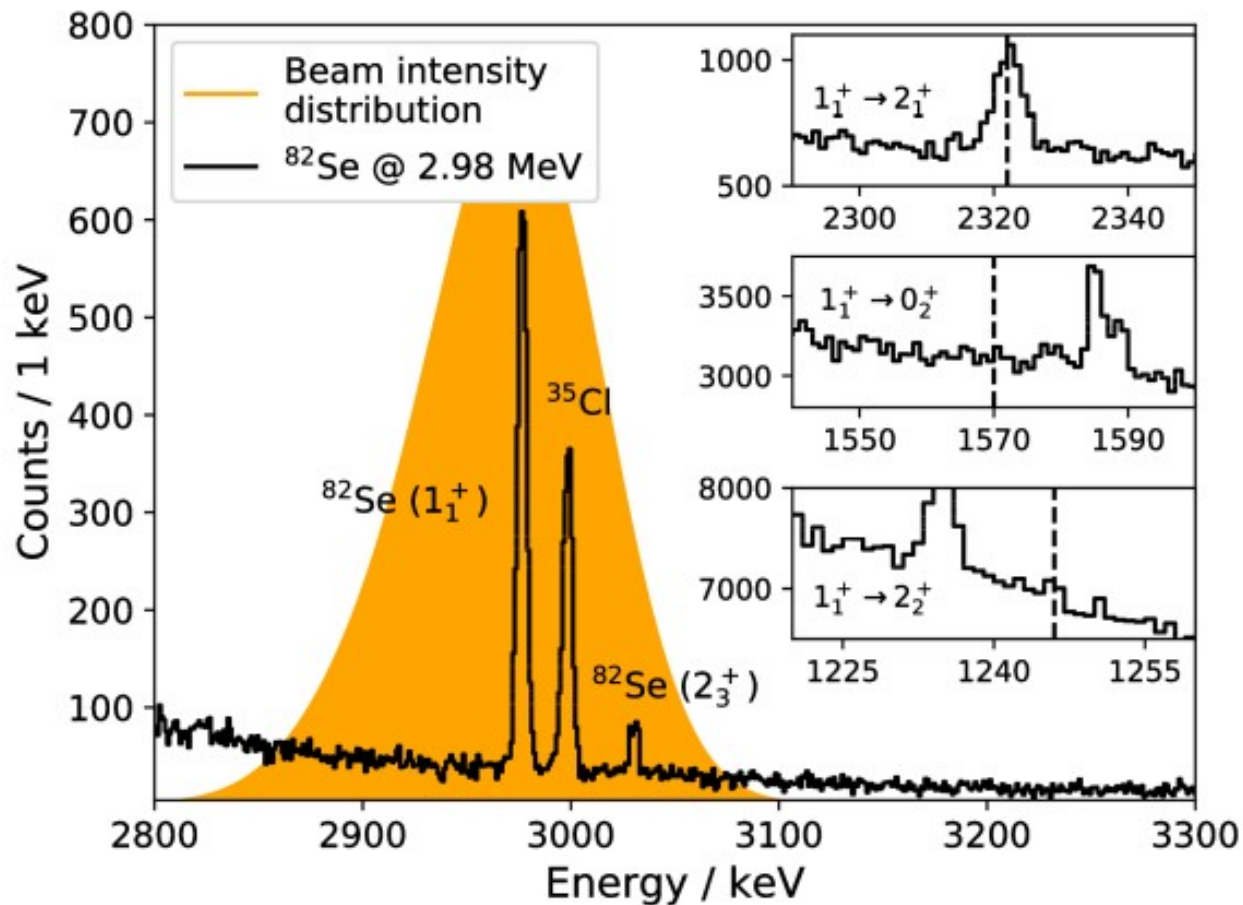
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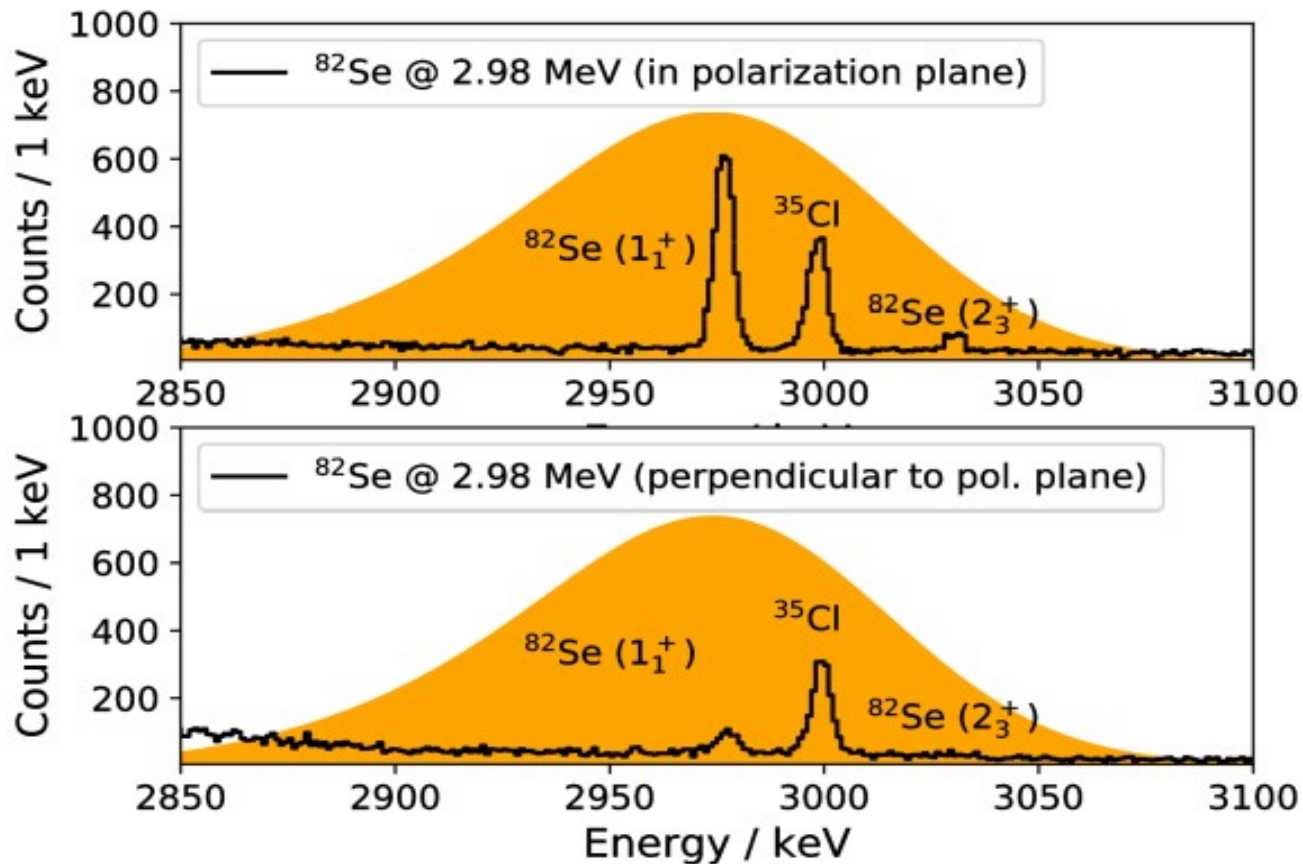
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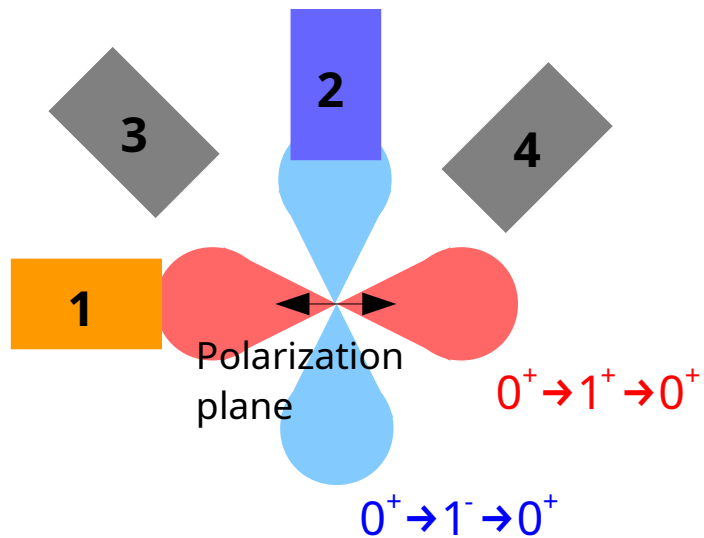
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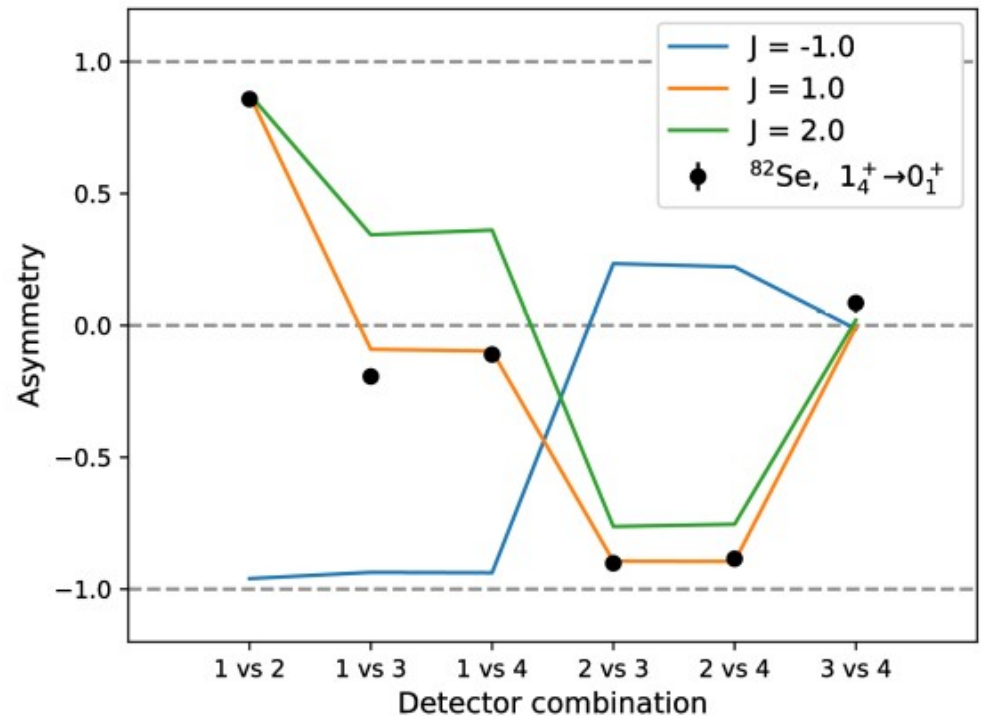
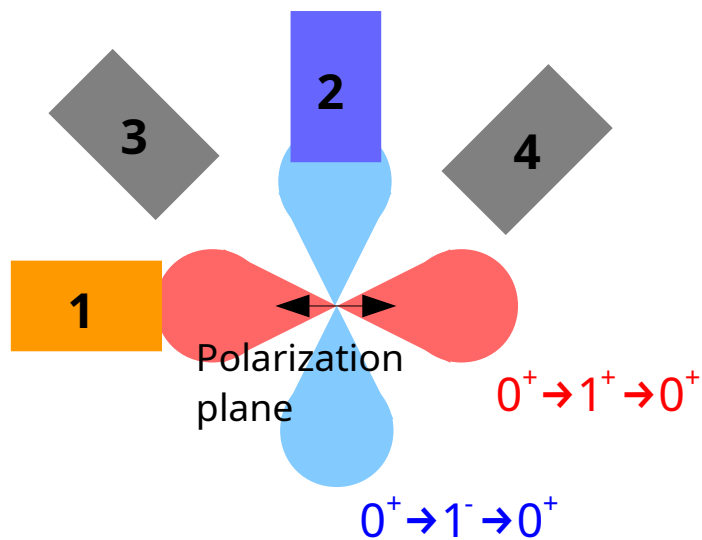


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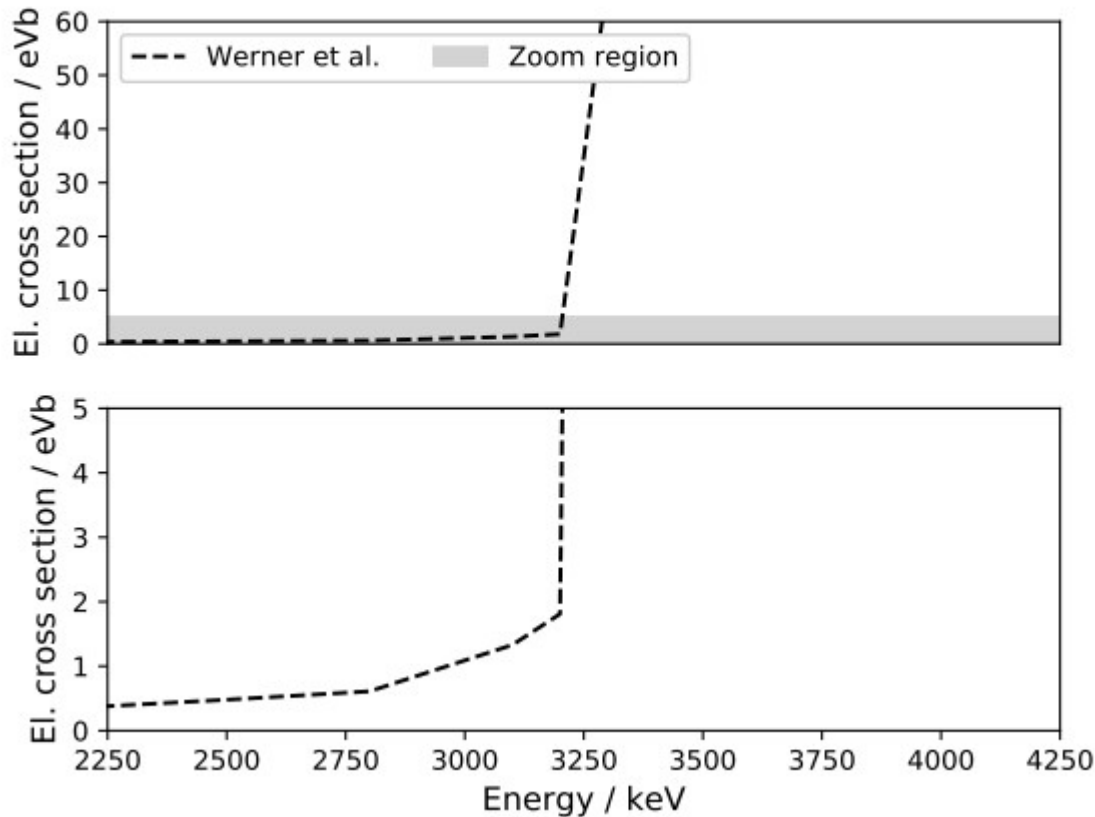
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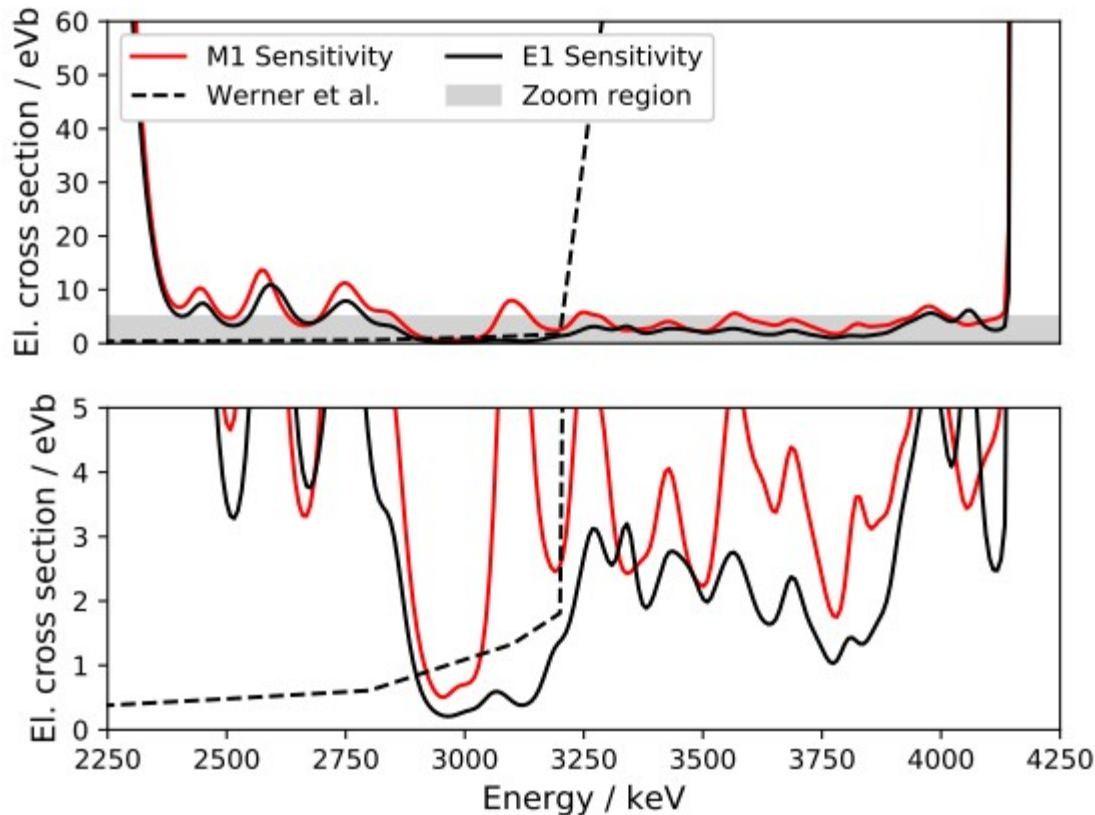
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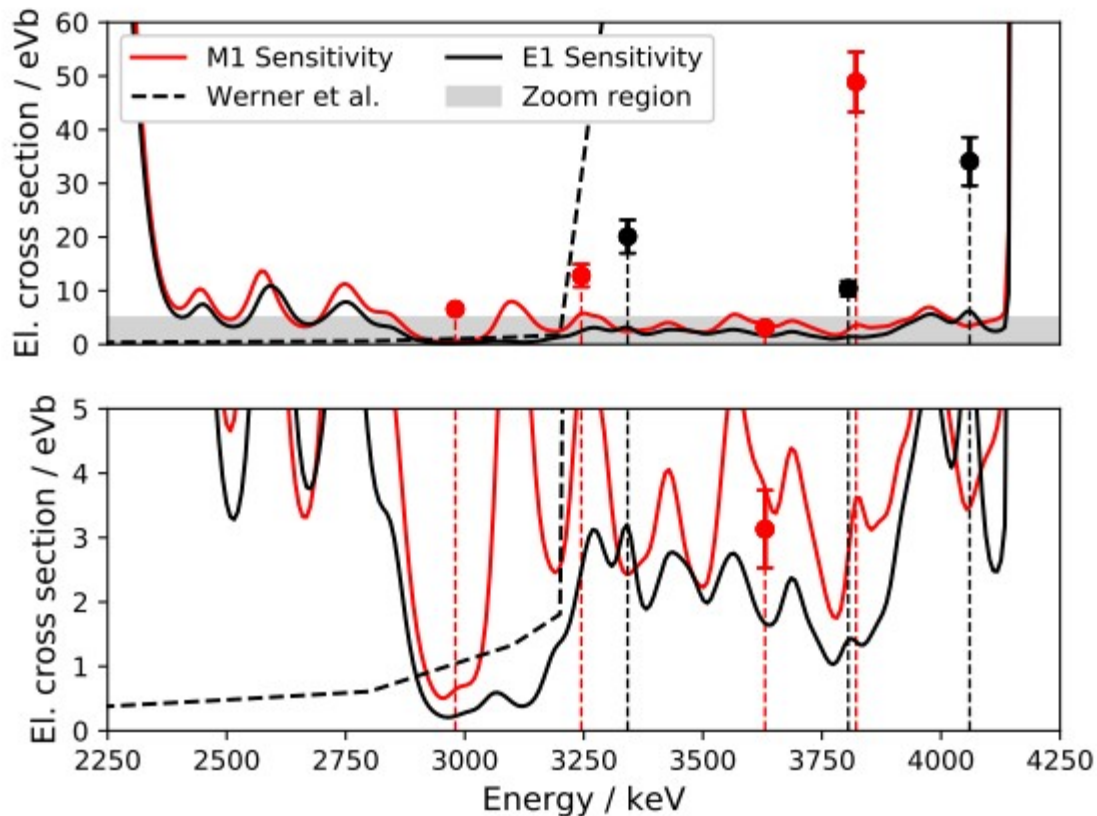
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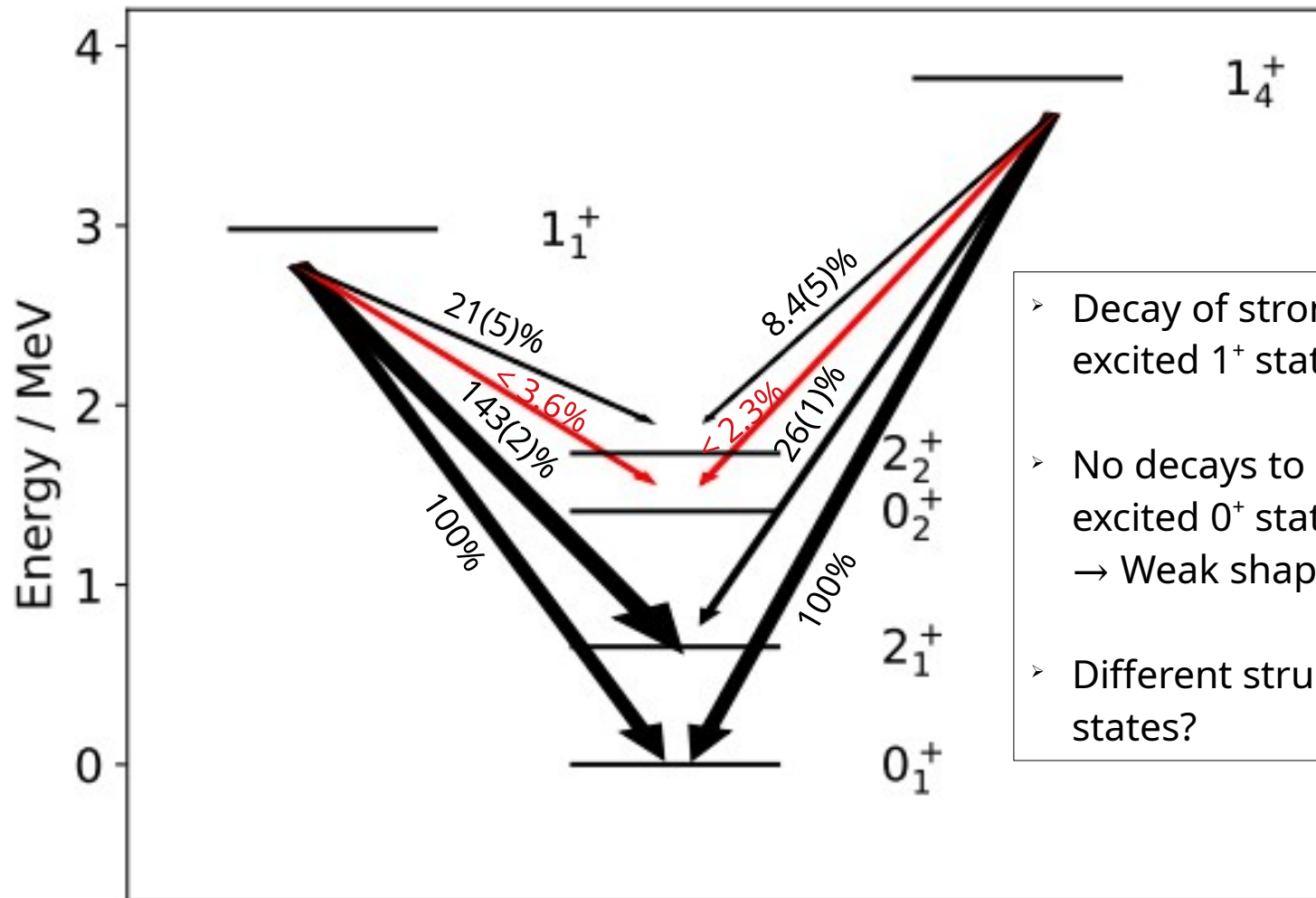
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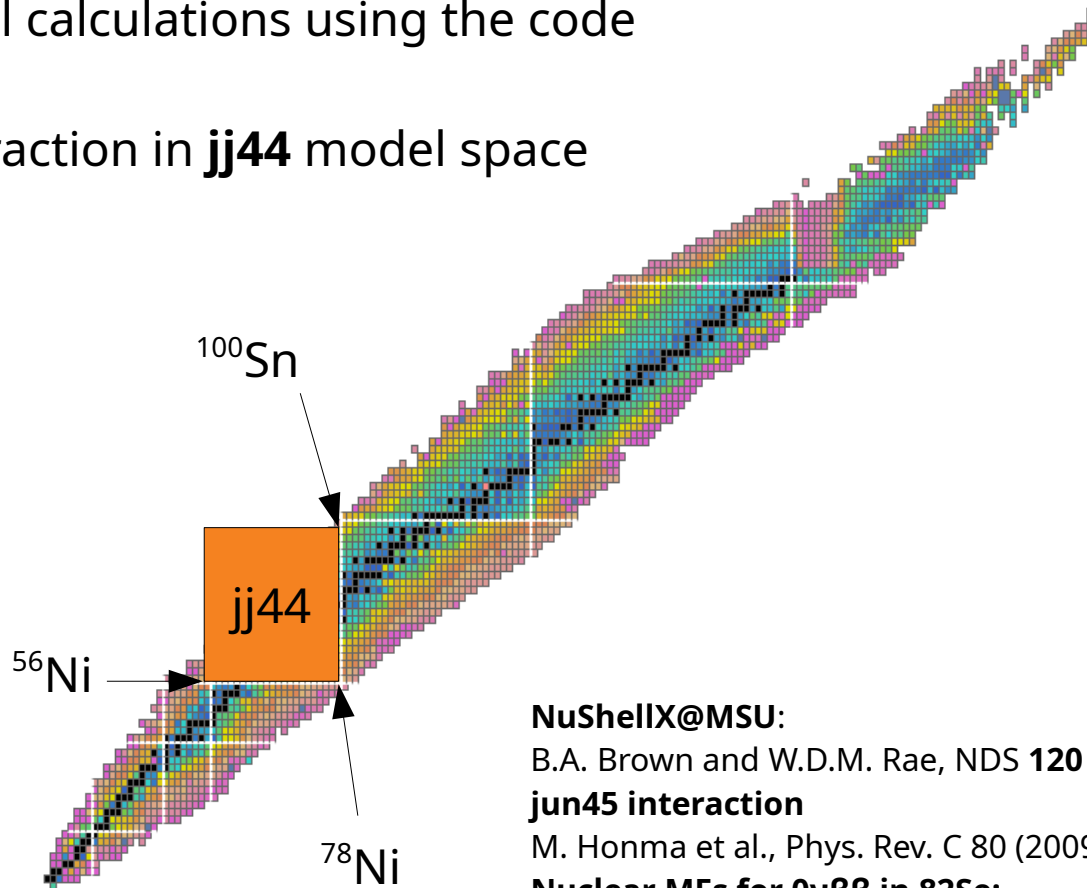
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- Decay of strongly excited 1^+ states
- No decays to excited 0^+ state
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- Different structure of 1^+ states?

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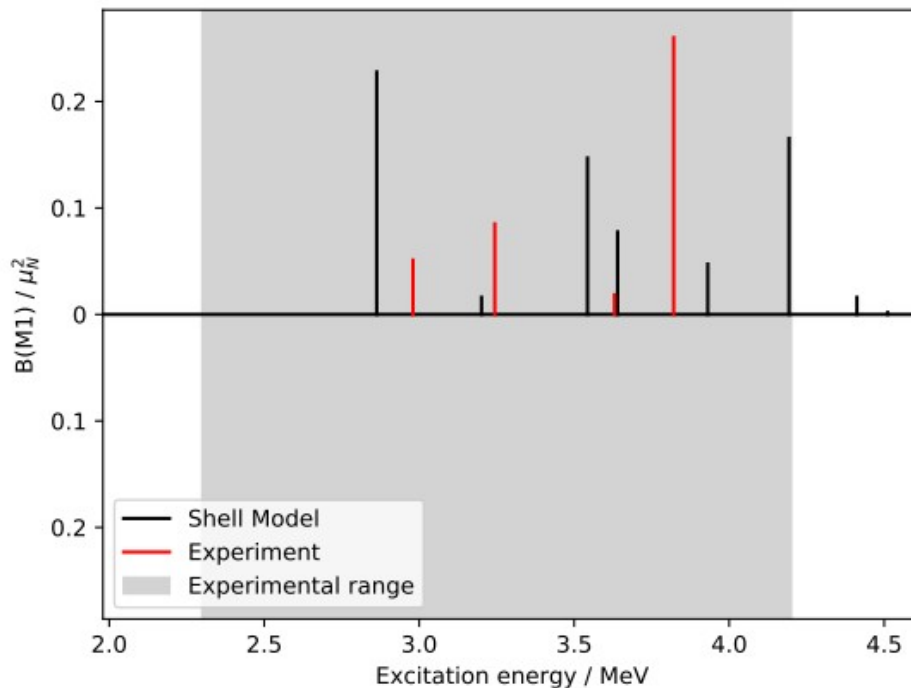
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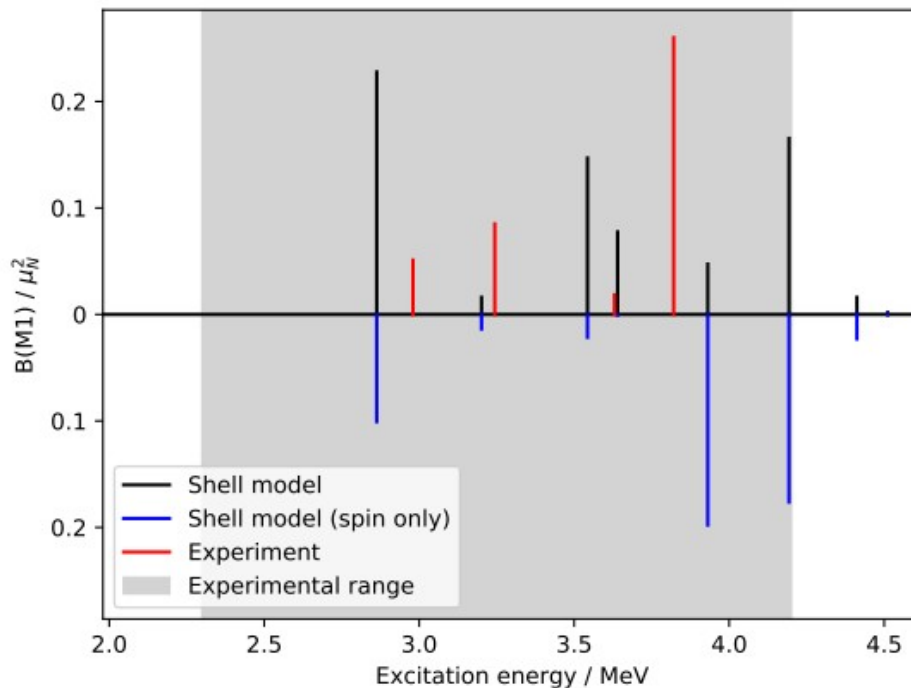
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^{82}Se – Spin vs. Orbital

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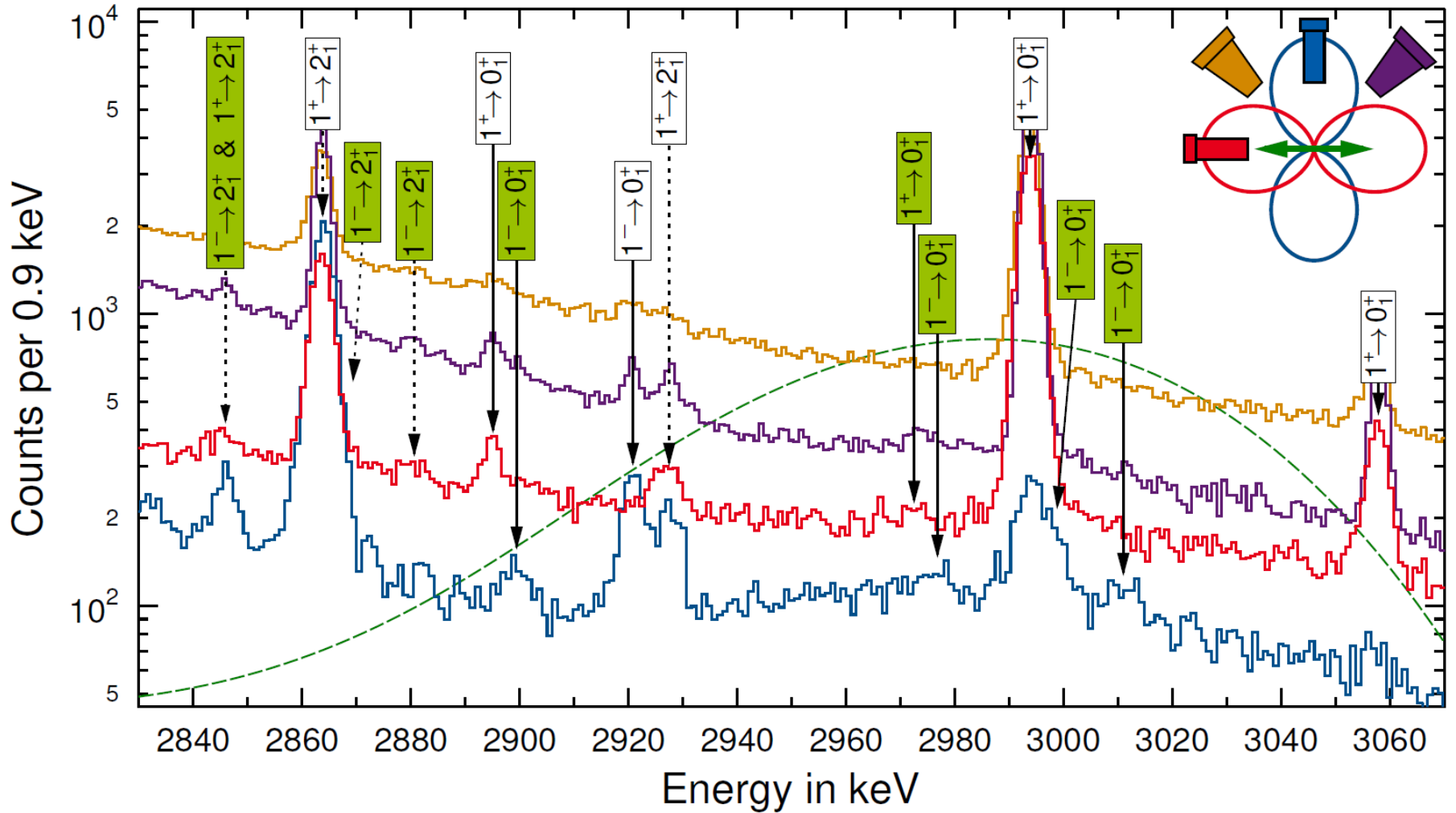
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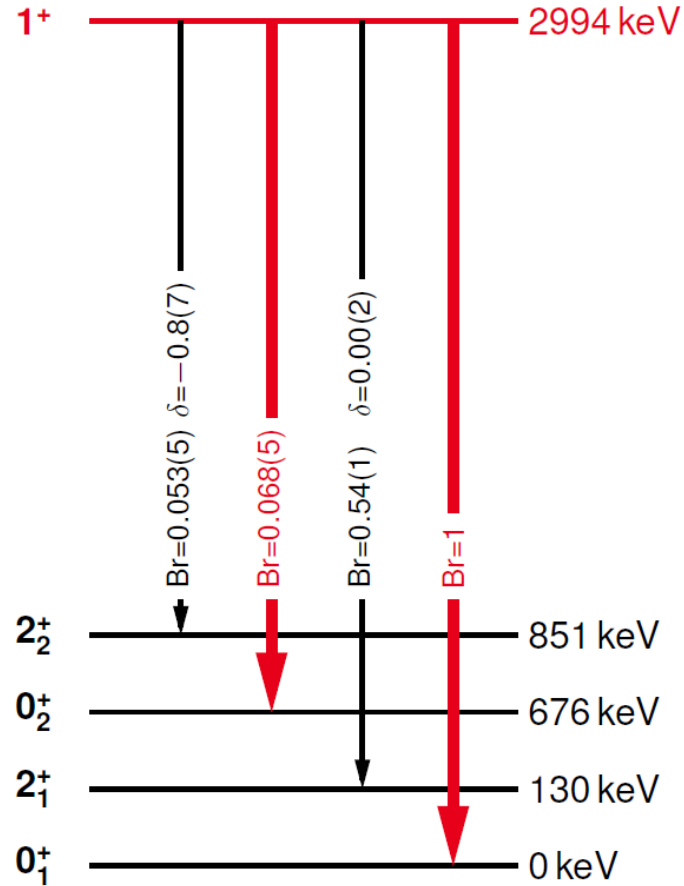
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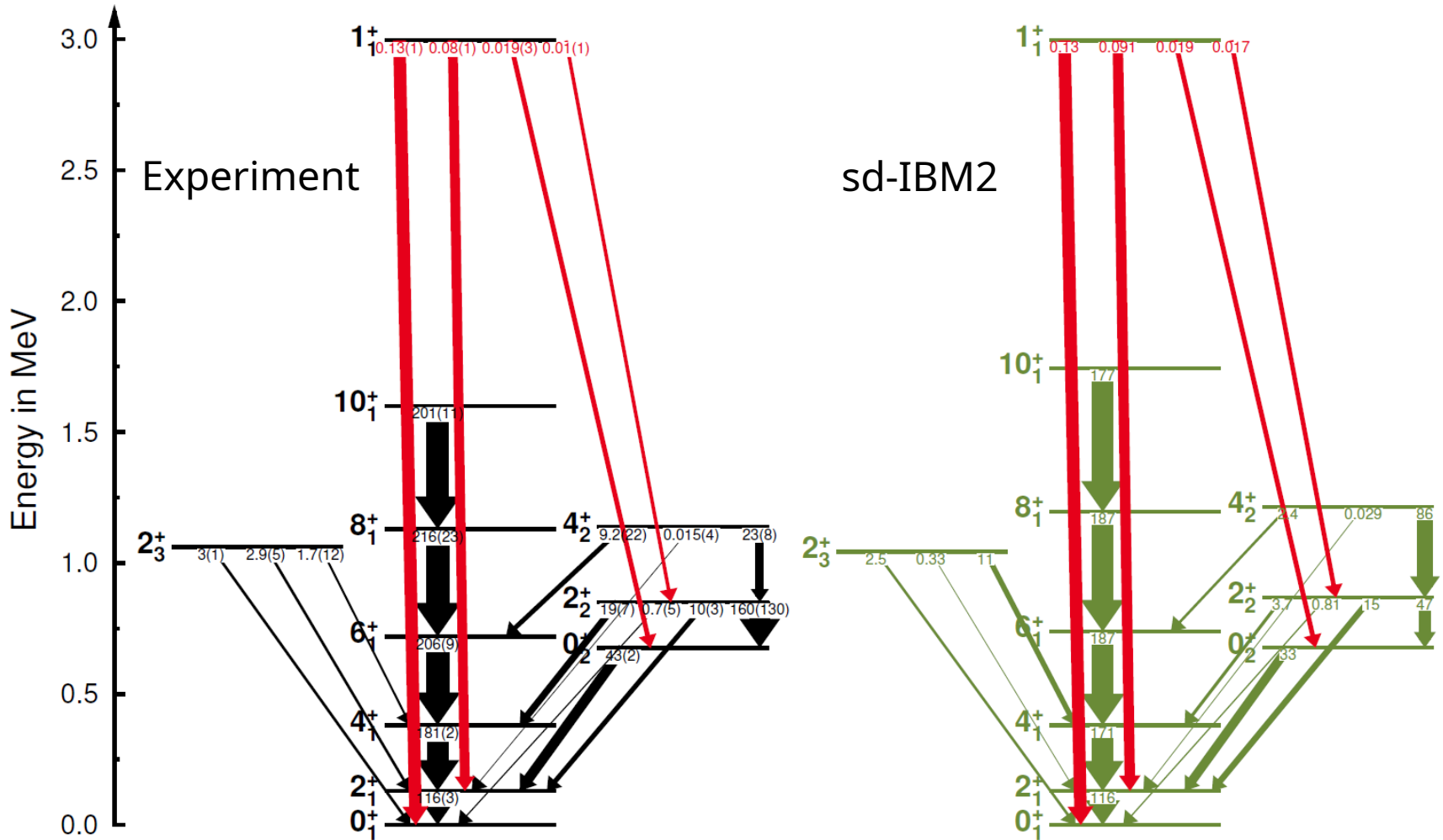
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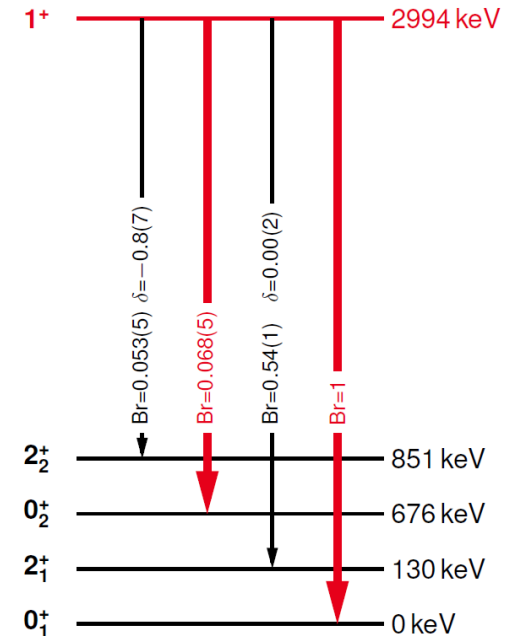
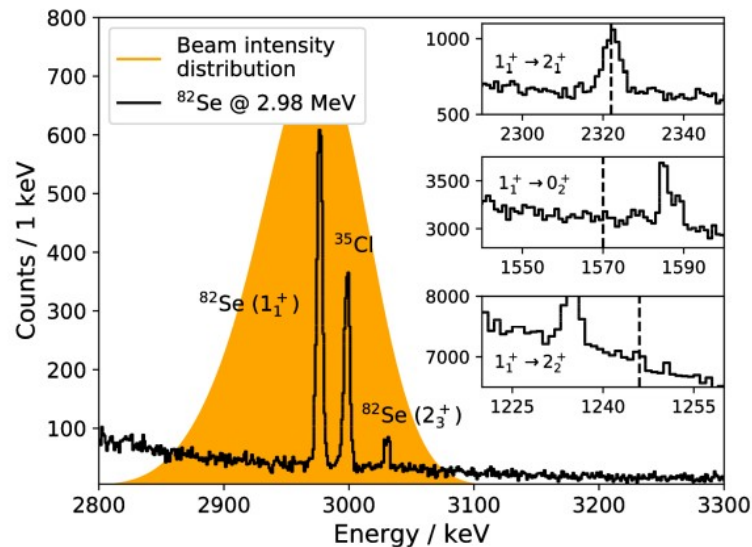


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$0\nu\beta\beta$: Summary & Outlook

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- ^{76}Ge , ^{82}Se and ^{82}Kr , (^{100}Mo), ^{150}Nd and ^{150}Sm



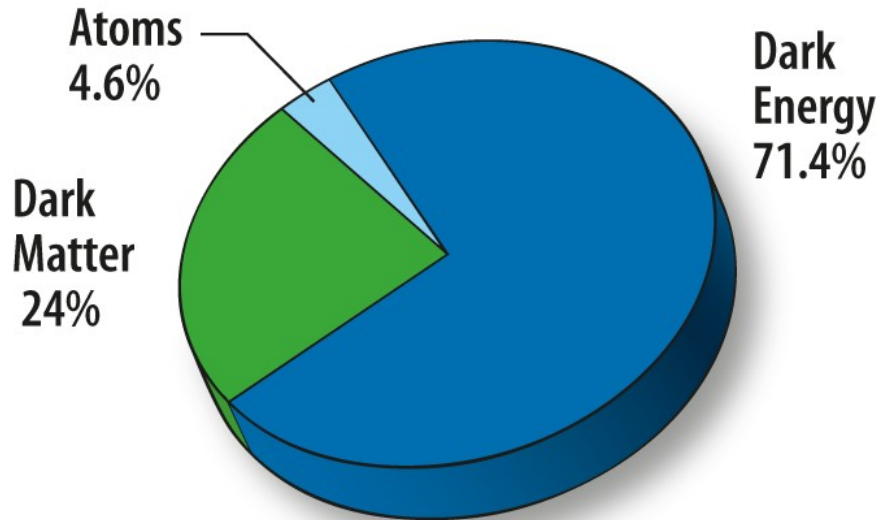
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Weakly interacting massive particles (WIMPs)



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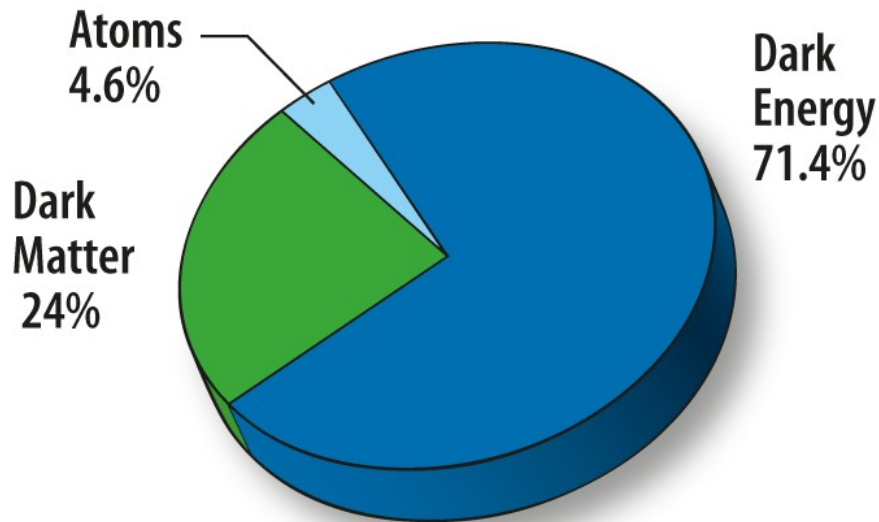
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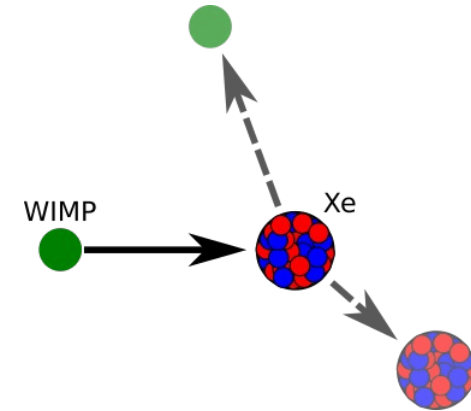
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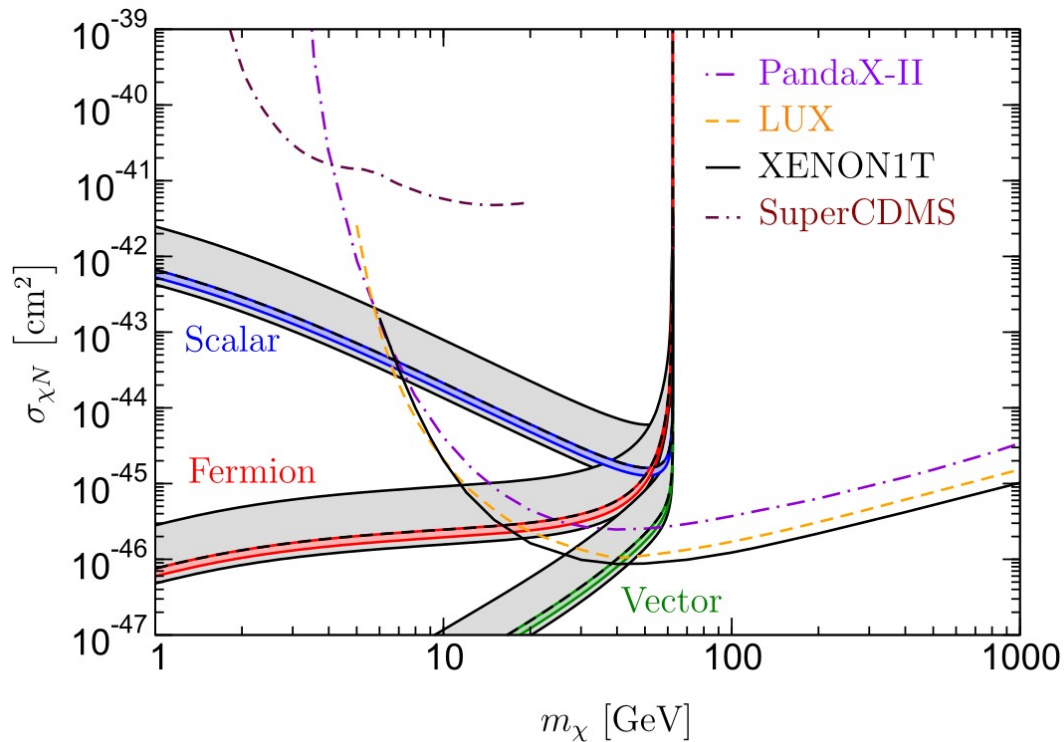
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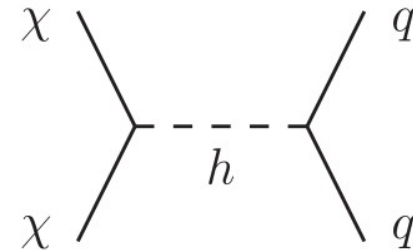
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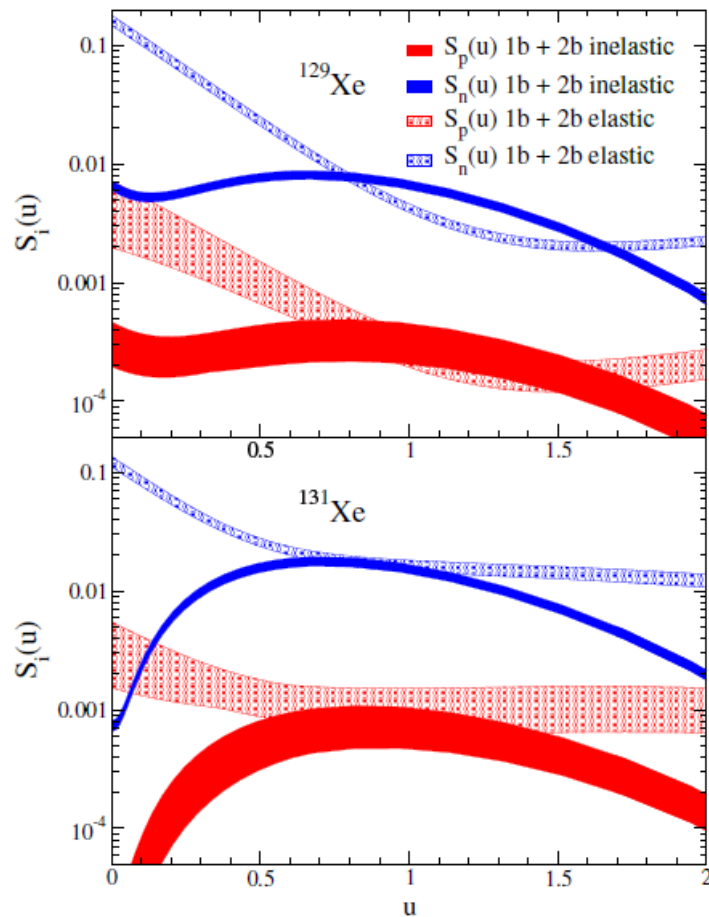
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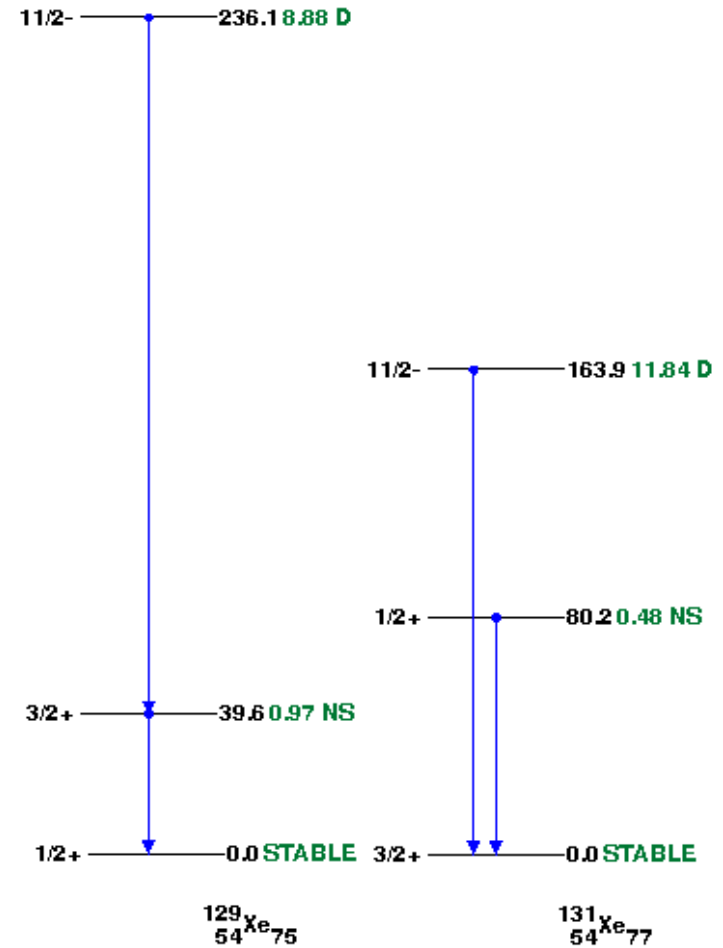
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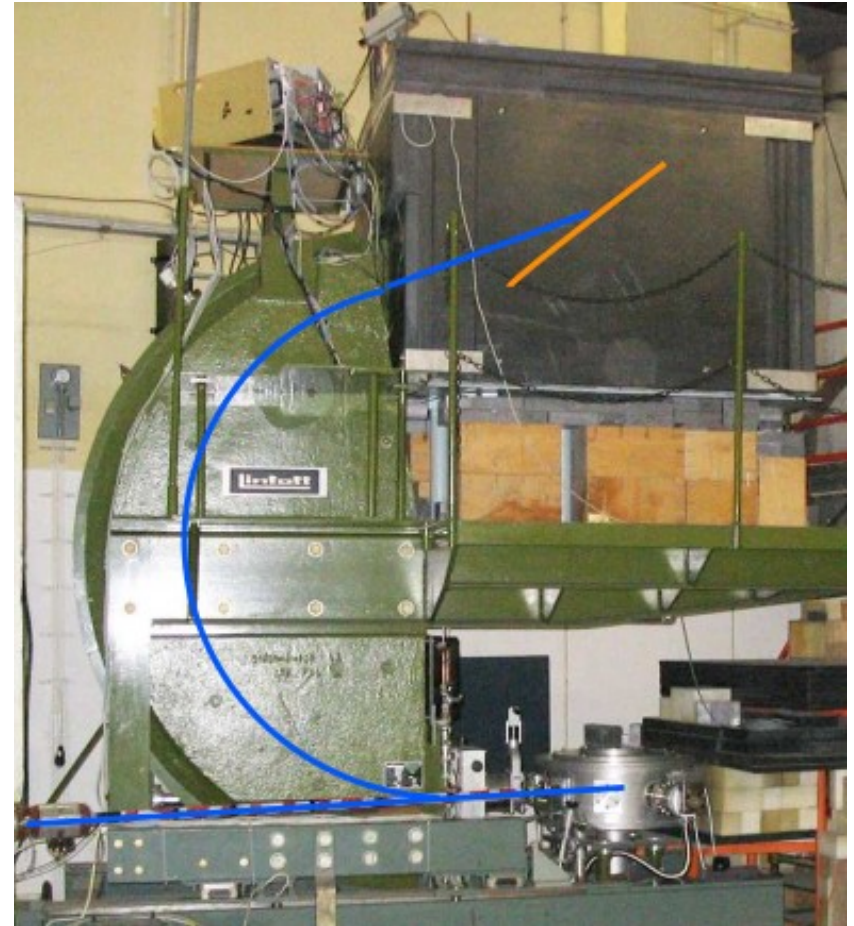


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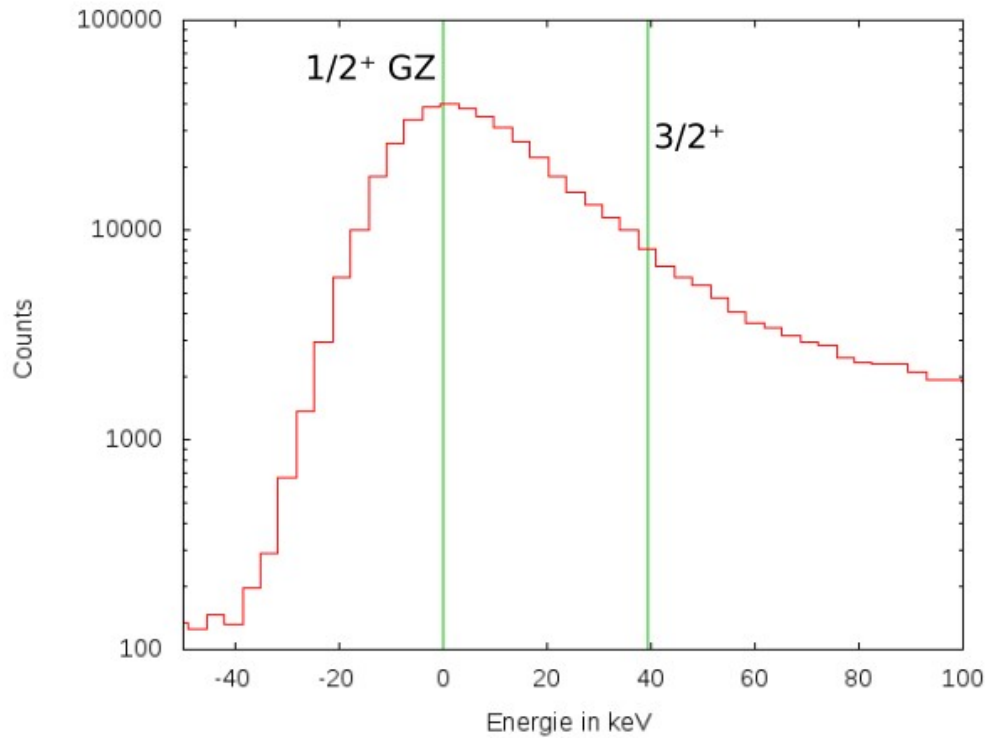
Experimental Program for WIMPs

LINTOTT electron spectrometer @ IKP, TU Darmstadt

Measure electron scattering form factors of ground – and excited states with high energy resolution

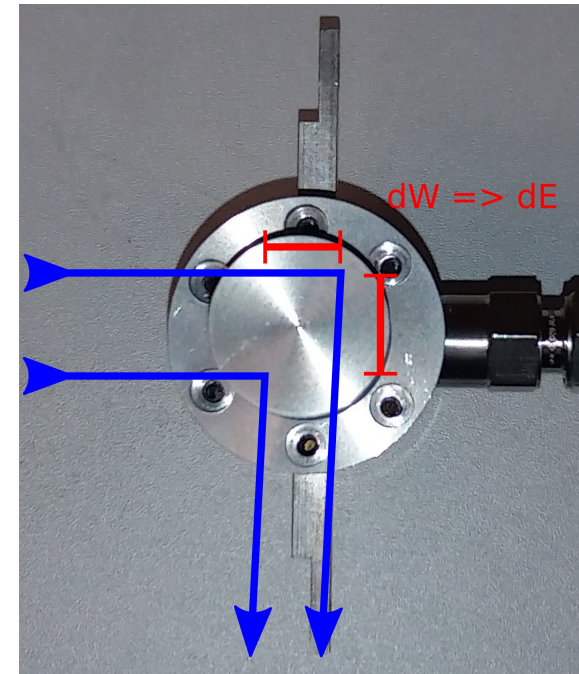
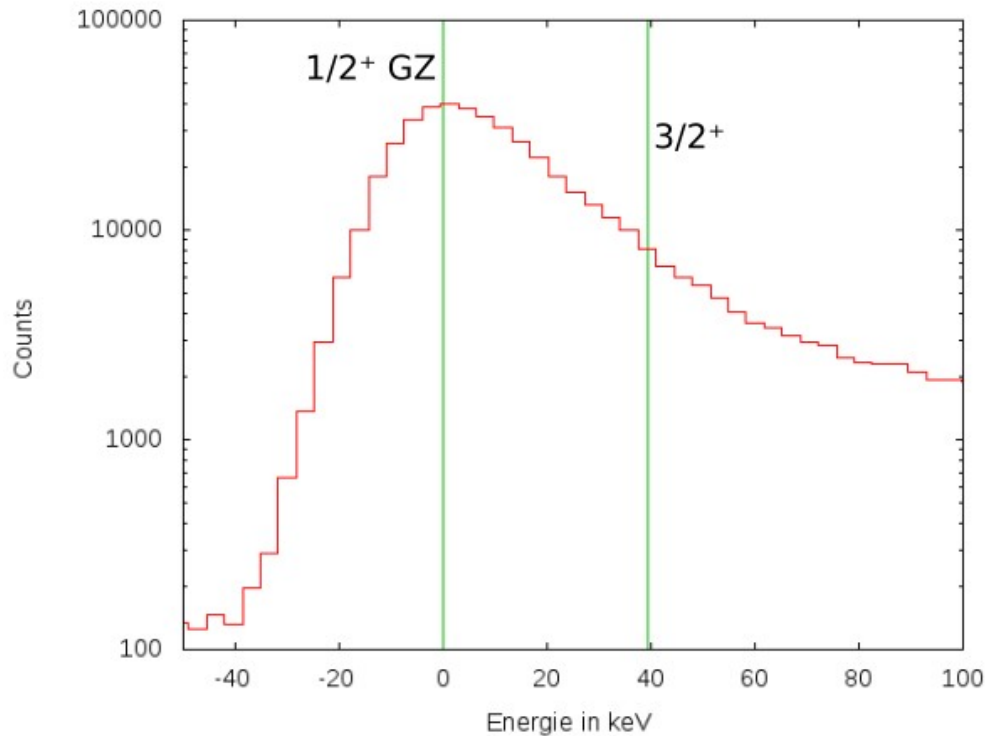


^{129}Xe Test Experiment



Test measurement at momentum transfer $q = 0.32 \text{ fm}^{-1}$ (93° , 43.5 MeV)

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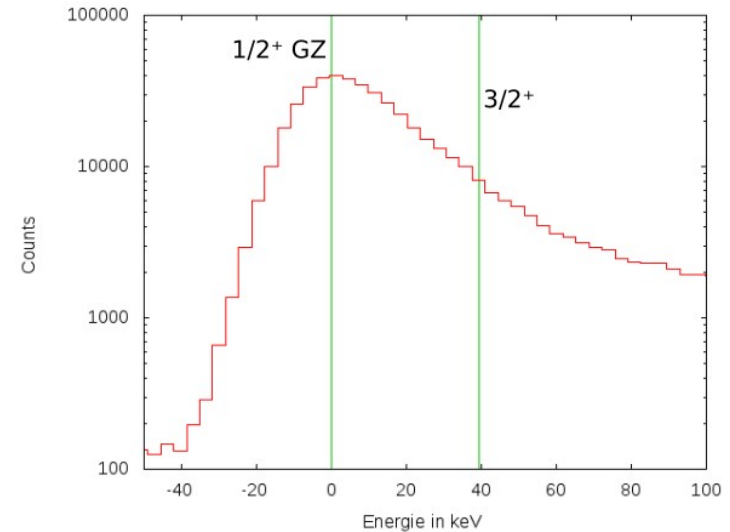
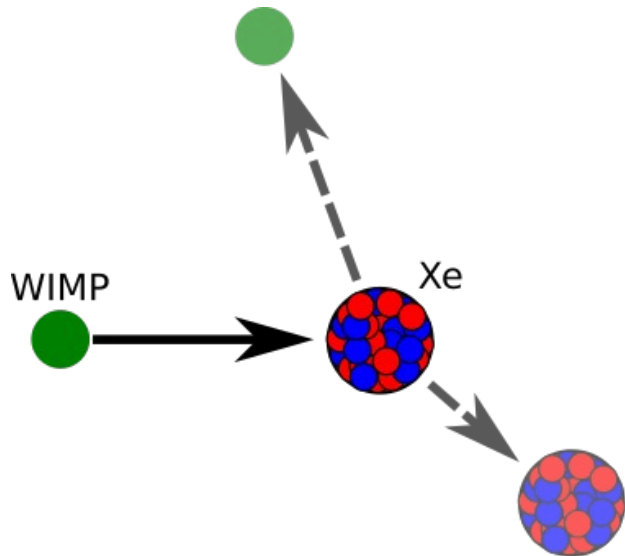


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Energy resolution limited by size of Xenon target

WIMPs: Summary & Outlook

- First test experiment @ LINTOTT with ^{129}Xe target not successful



- Improve geometry of gas target
OR
- Use Xe in solid chemical compound
- Measurement at different momentum transfers

HIγS and S-DALINAC experiments elucidating weak processes



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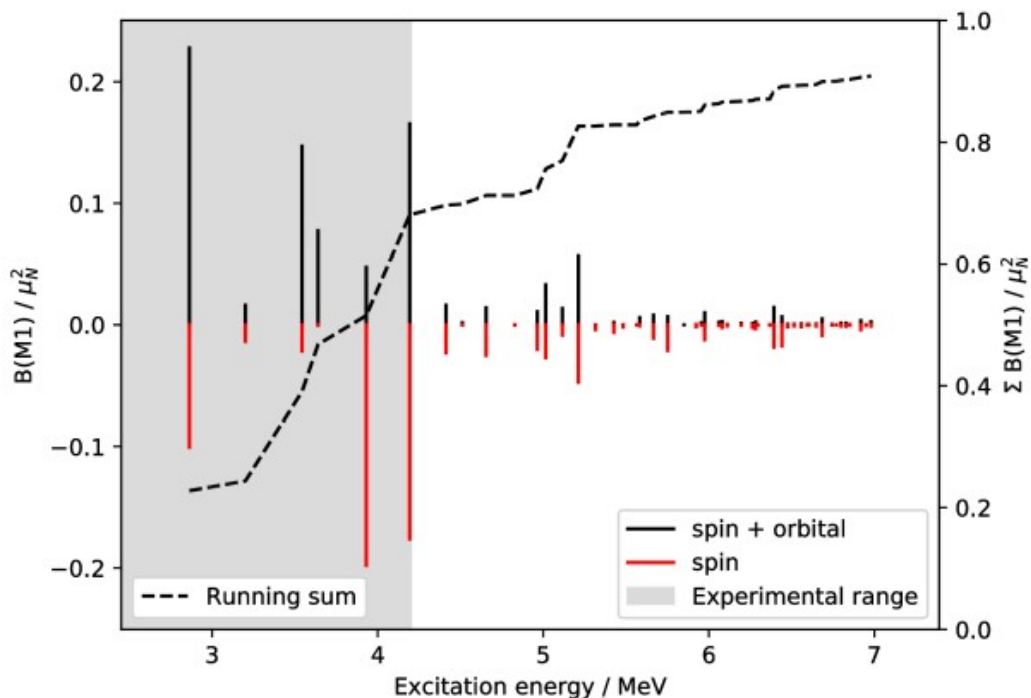
Backup



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^{82}Se - Discussion

- Shell model calculations using the code **NuShellX**
- **jun45** interaction in **jj44** model space



Orbital
„Scissors mode“

$$\hat{O}(M1) = \sum_i g_l^{(i)} \hat{l}_i + g_s^{(i)} \hat{s}_i$$

„Spin-flip“

NuShellX@MSU:

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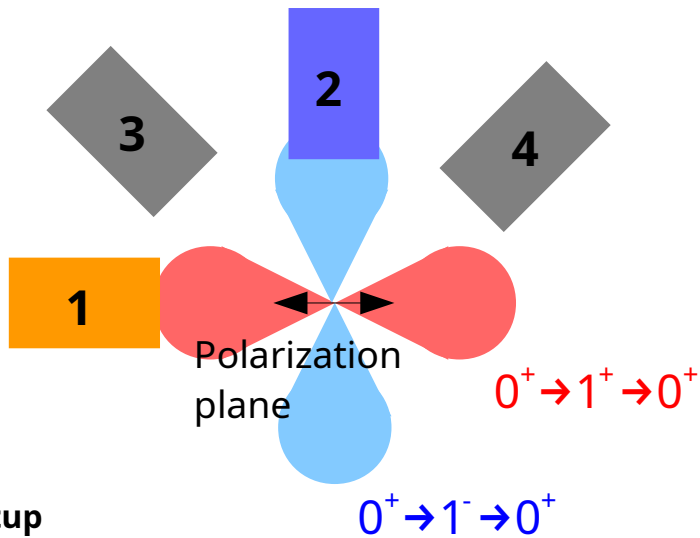
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Parity determination I

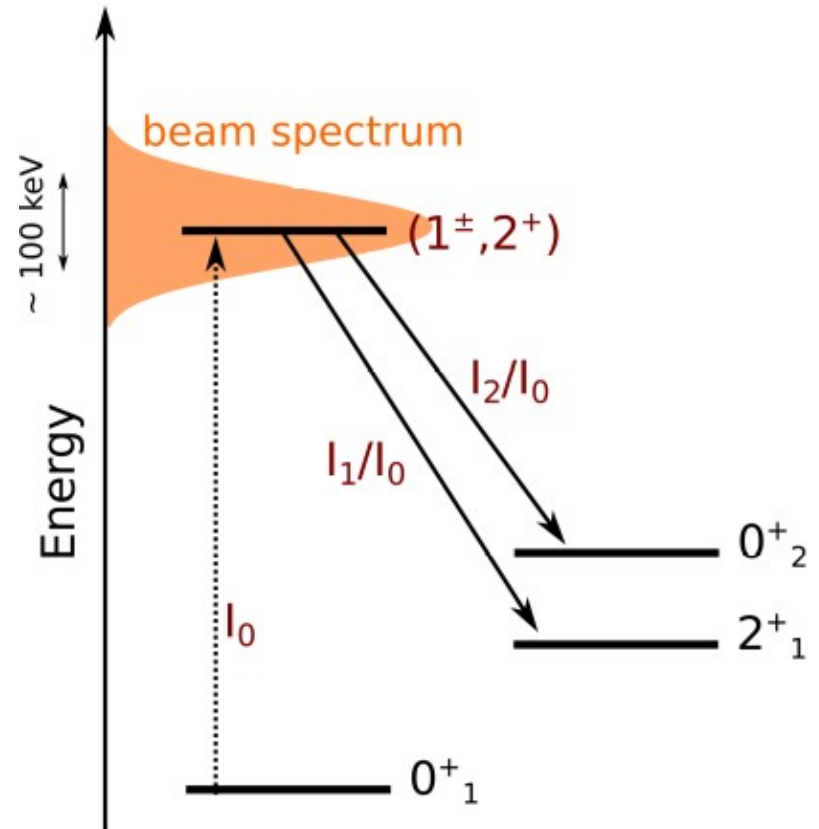


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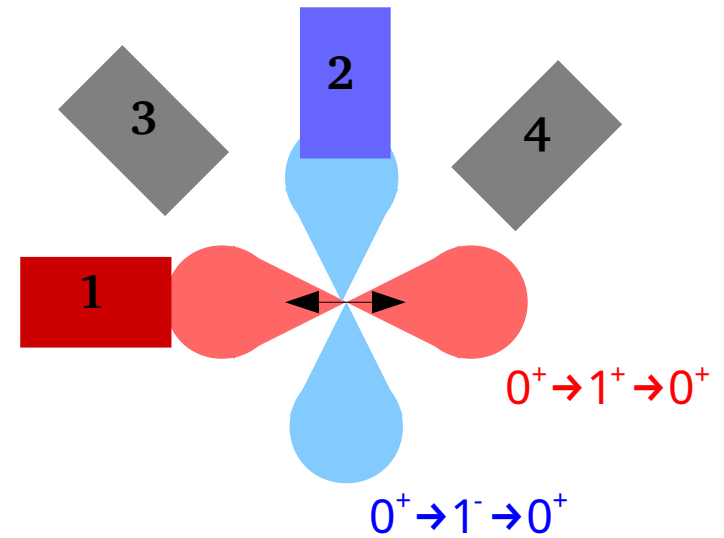
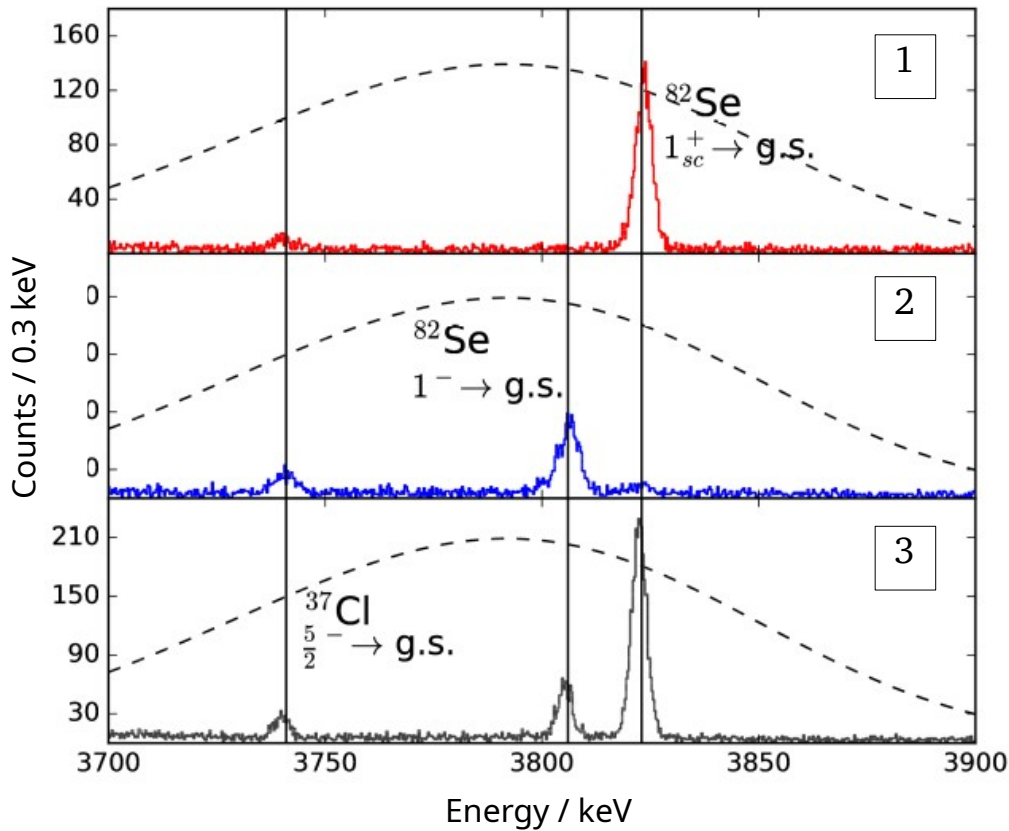
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Parity measurement

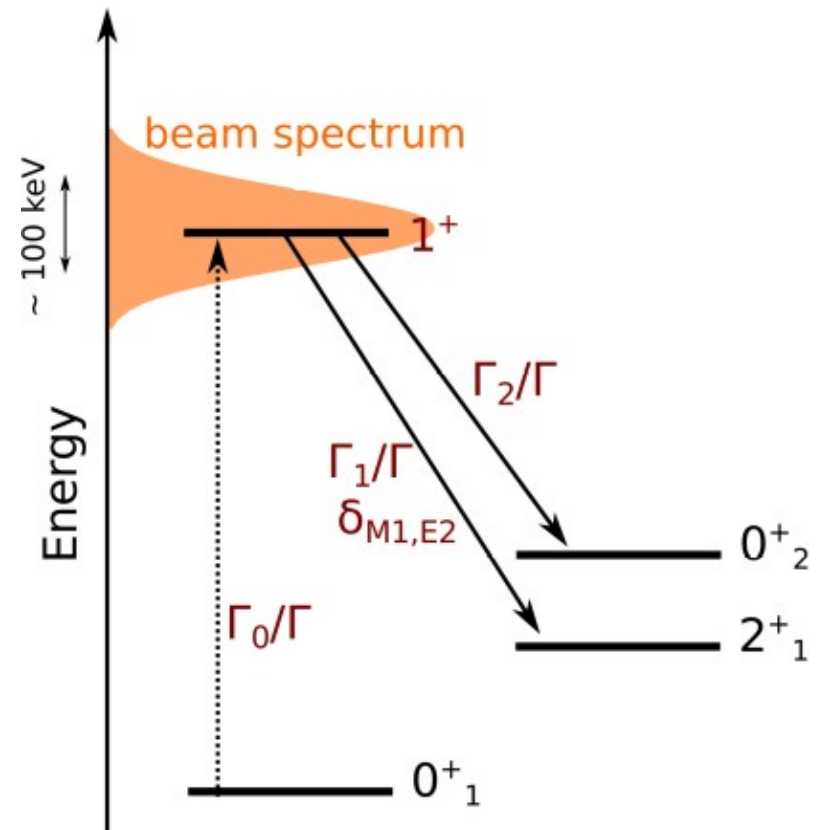
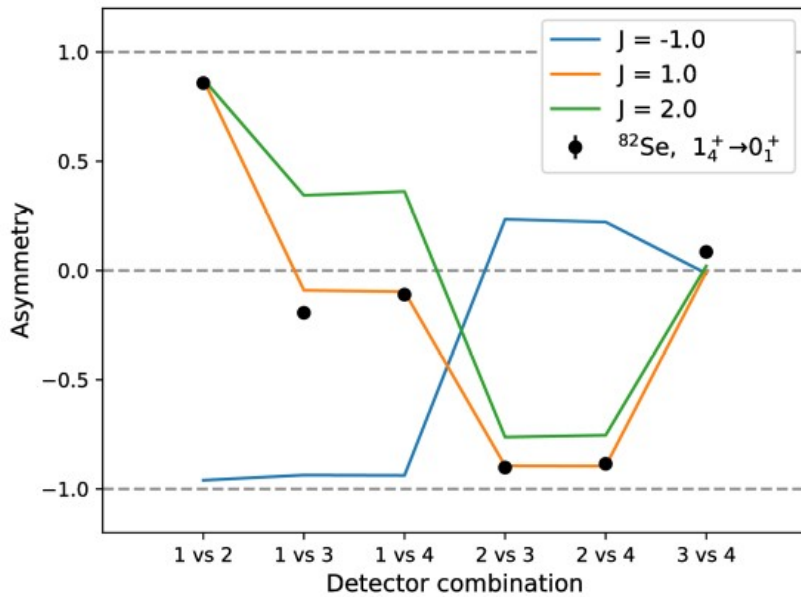
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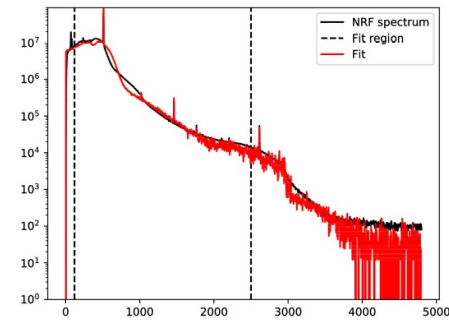
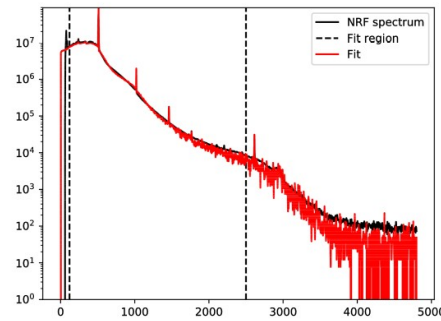
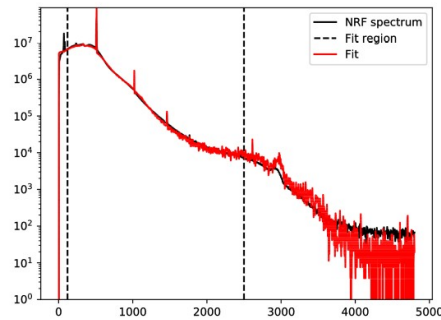
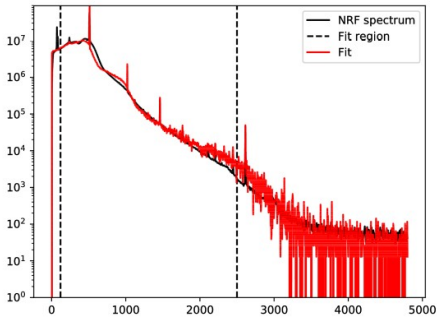
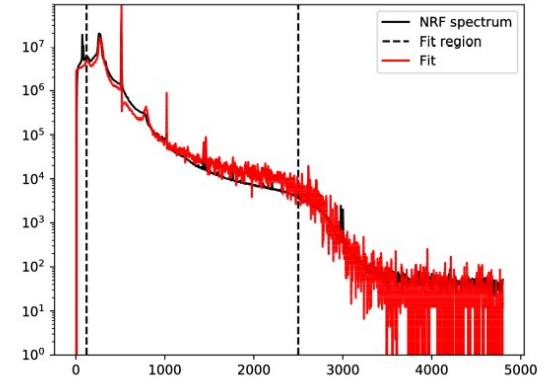
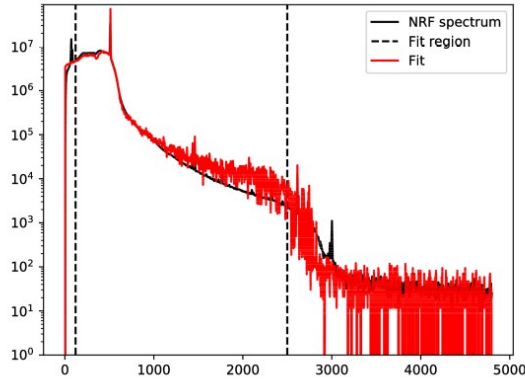
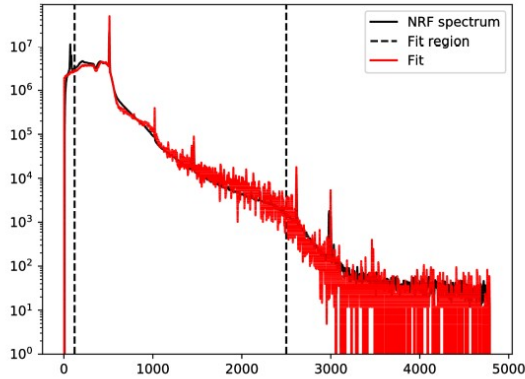
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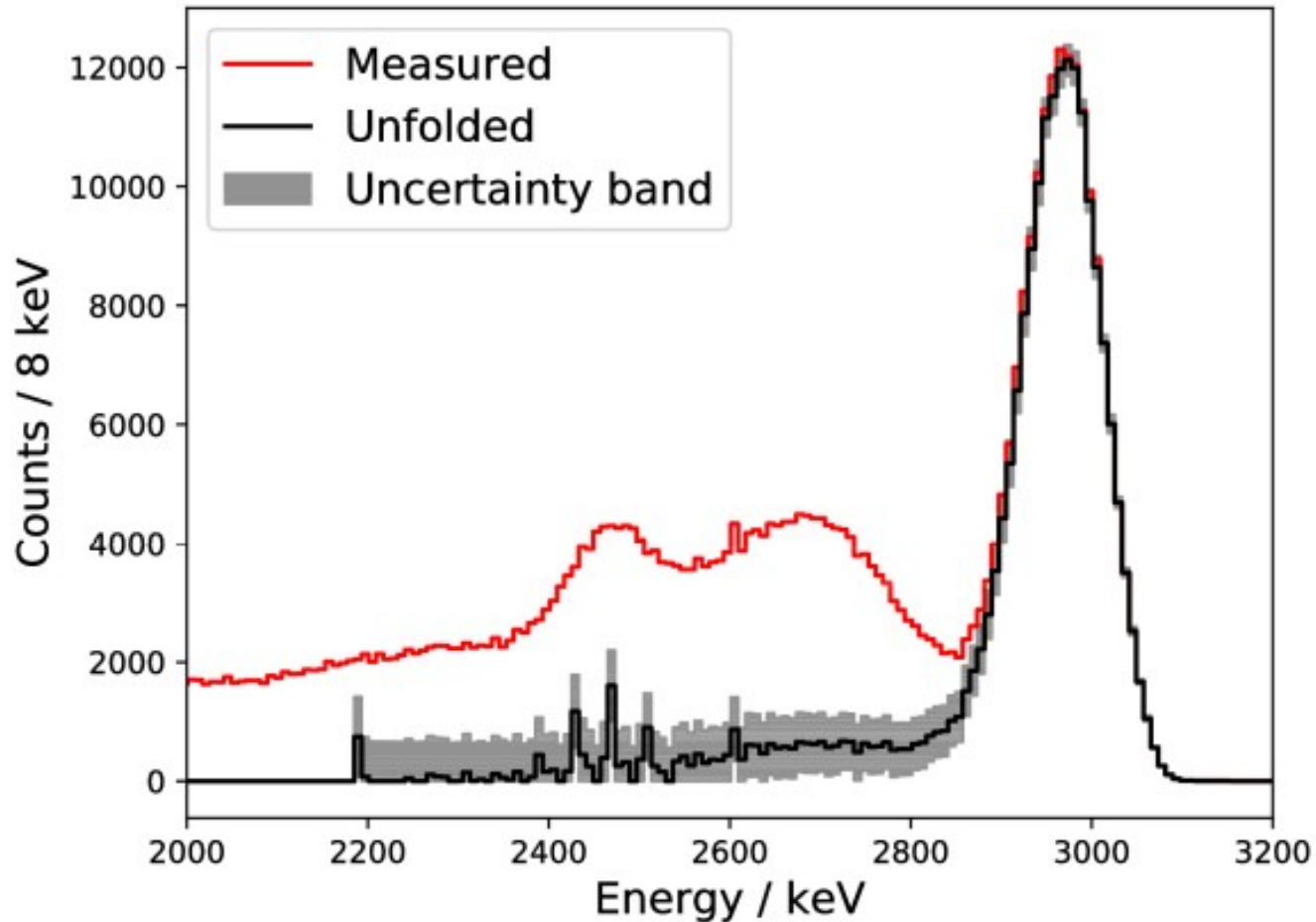
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Background simulation

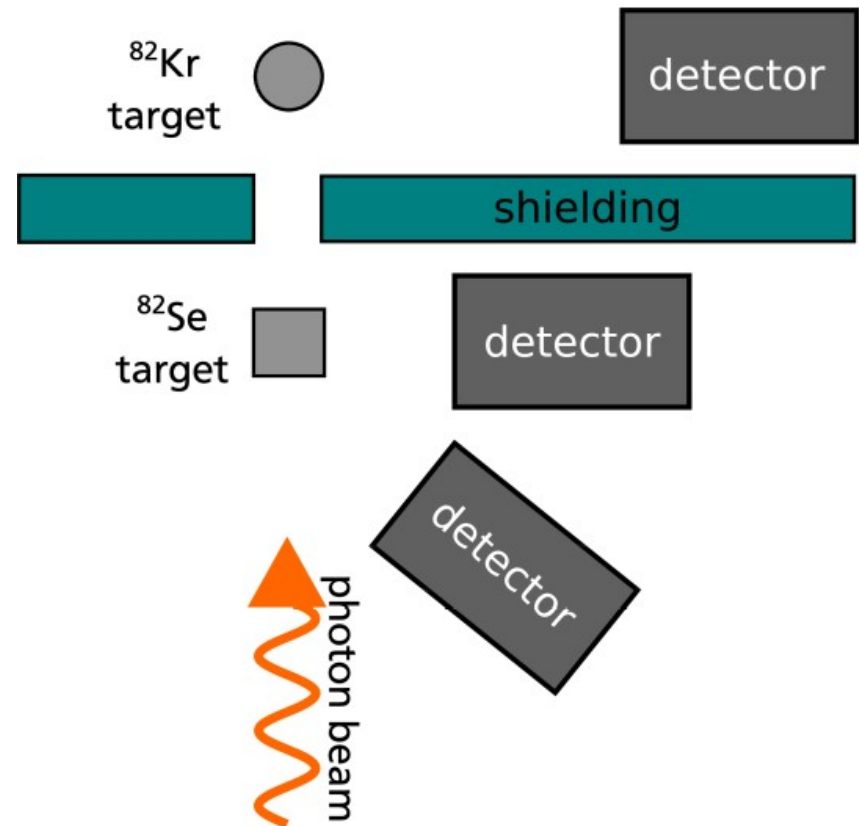
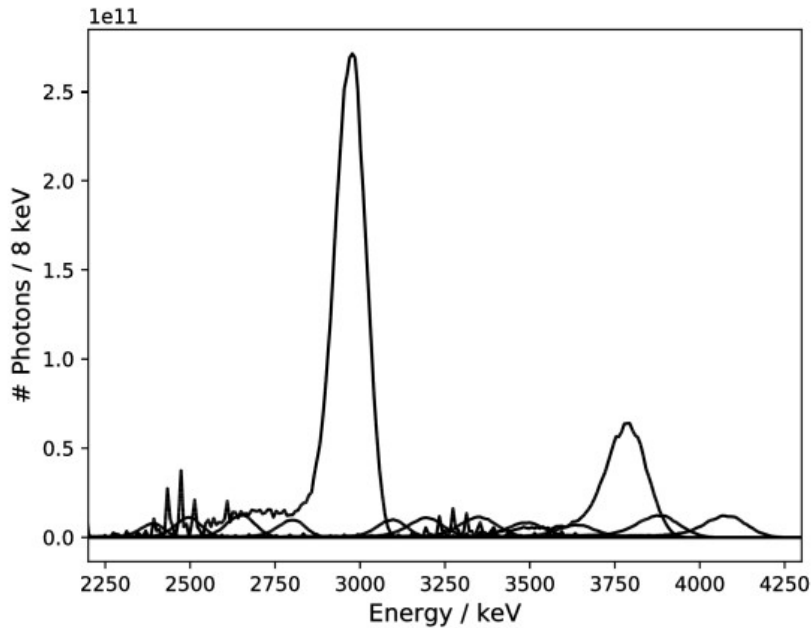


Beam spectrum



$^{82}\text{Kr} + ^{82}\text{Se}$ Experiment - Experiment

- 13 beam energy settings between 2.4 and 4.1 MeV

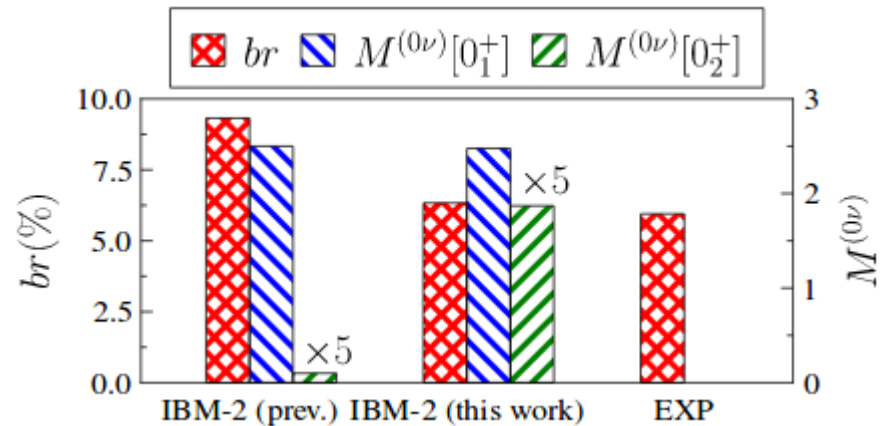
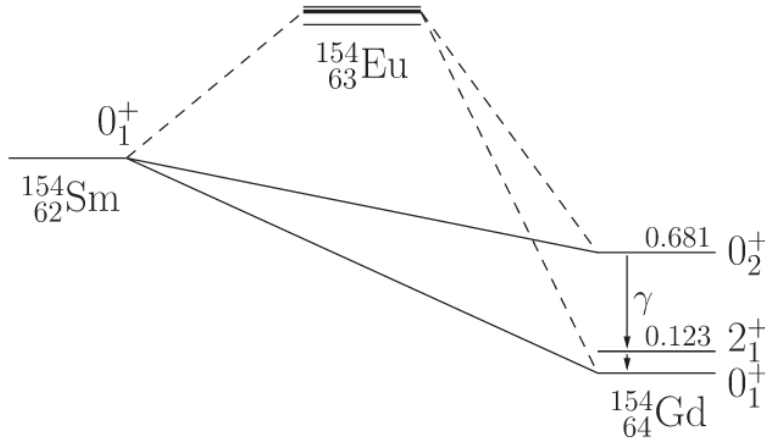


Krypton gas target

- Stainless steel sphere
- Diameter: 2 cm
- 1.5 g of Krypton
- Provided by R. Schwengner (HZDR)



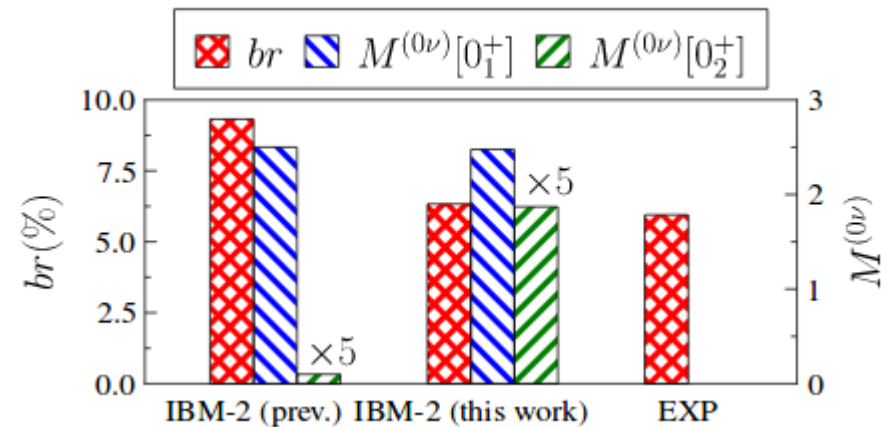
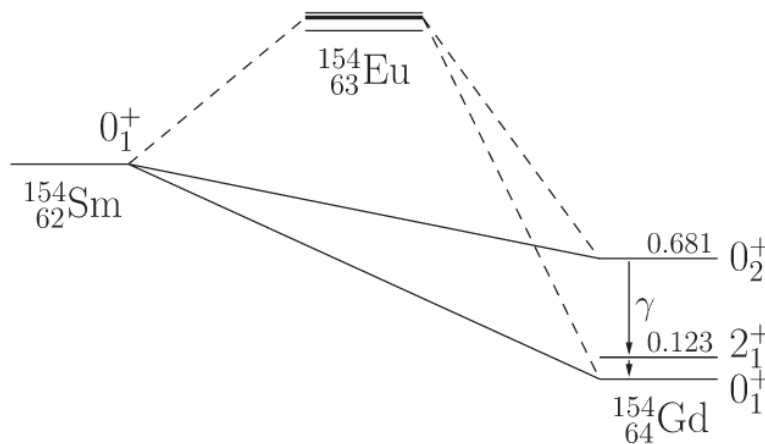
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Motivation

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^{150}Nd results and IBM calculation

