



*Effects of high  $j$  proton and neutron orbitals in nuclear structure ( $A \sim 180-200$ )*

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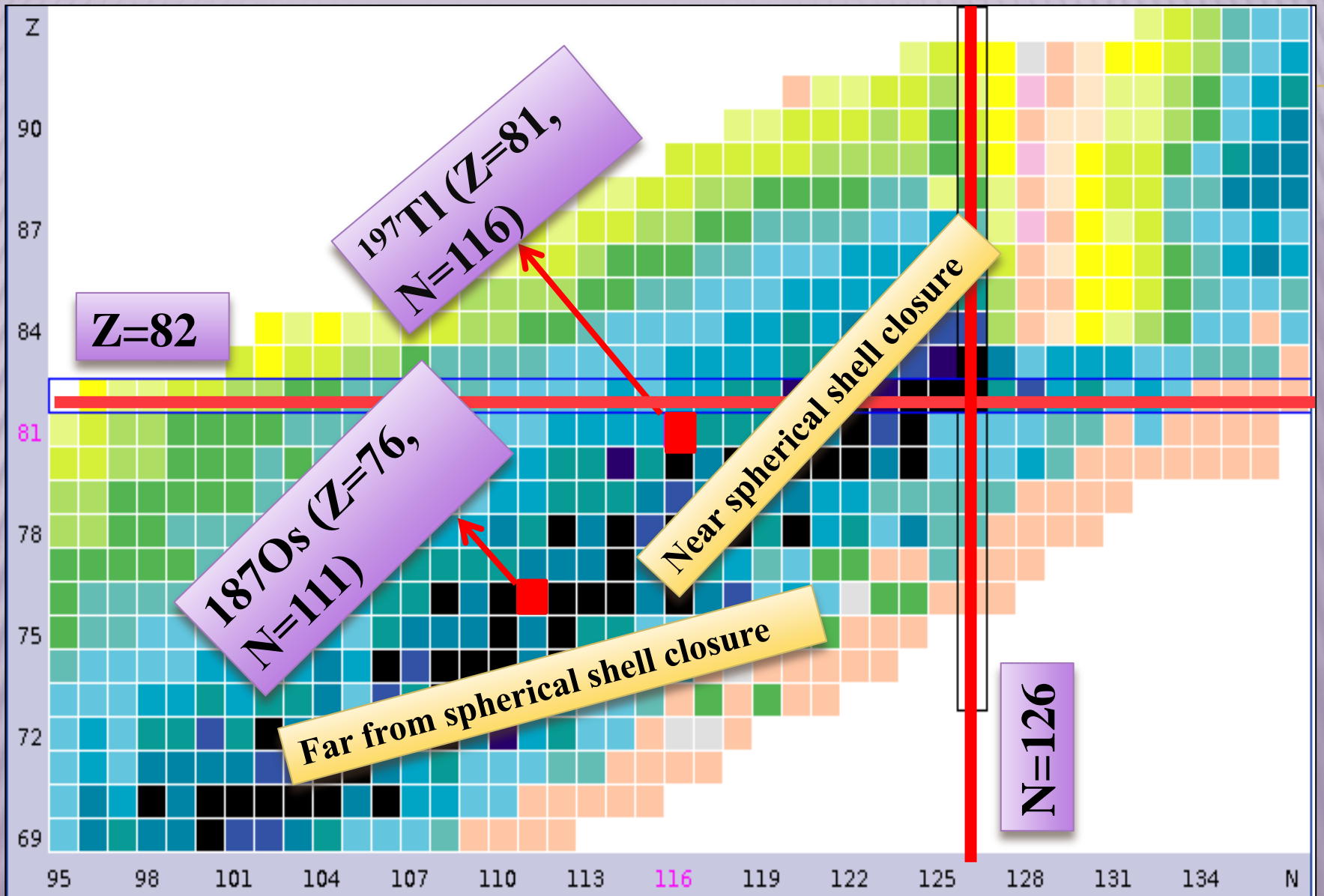
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# *Introduction*

- Nucleus is a complex many body quantum system composed of protons and neutrons.
- Nucleus can be excited to higher energies and angular momenta by the excitation of a few nucleons (s.p excitation) or collective excitation (all/many nucleons involved).
- In odd A nuclei, the last unpaired nucleon goes into different single particle orbitals, based on that configuration, nucleus shows various novel excitation.
- Systematically neutron deficient Tl isotopes like  $^{194}\text{Tl}$ ,  $^{195}\text{Tl}$ ,  $^{196}\text{Tl}$ ,  $^{197}\text{Tl}$ ,  $^{199}\text{Tl}$ ,  $^{200}\text{Tl}$ ,  $^{201}\text{Tl}$  nuclei have been studied by our group.
- In my Ph.D, The nuclear structure of  $^{197}\text{Tl}$  and  $^{187}\text{Os}$  nuclei were studied.

Proton (Z)



Z=82

$^{197}\text{Tl}$  (Z=81, N=116)

$^{187}\text{Os}$  (Z=76, N=111)

Near spherical shell closure

Far from spherical shell closure

N=126

Neutron (N)

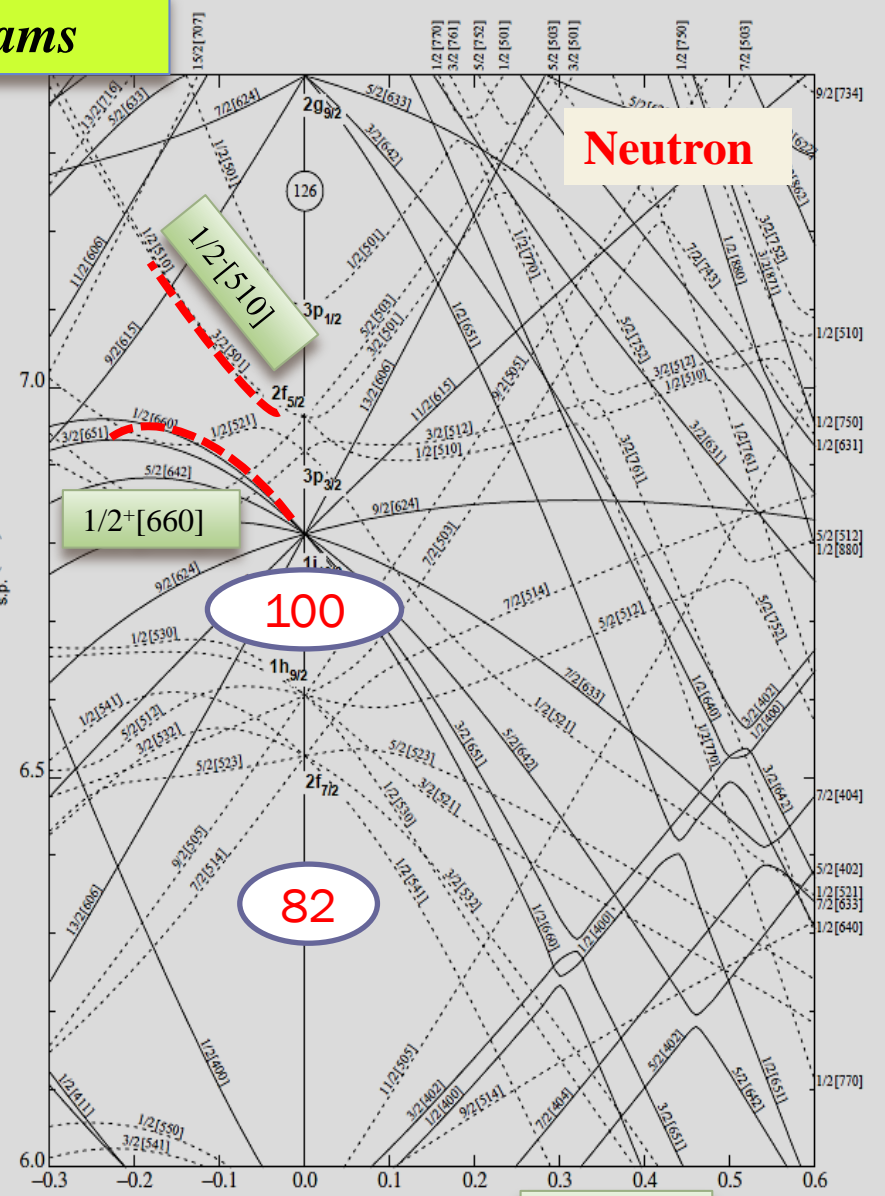
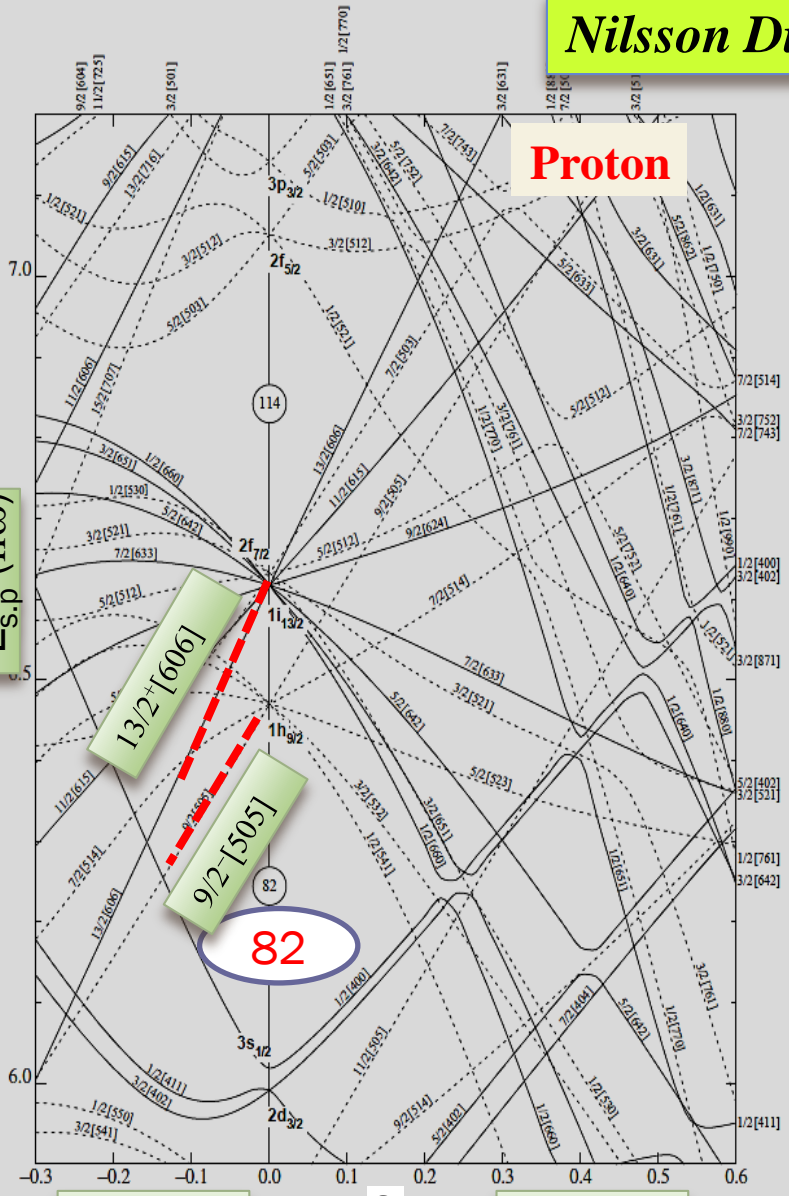
Nilsson Diagrams

Proton

Neutron

$E_{s.p.} (\hbar\omega)$

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Oblate

$\epsilon_2$

Prolate

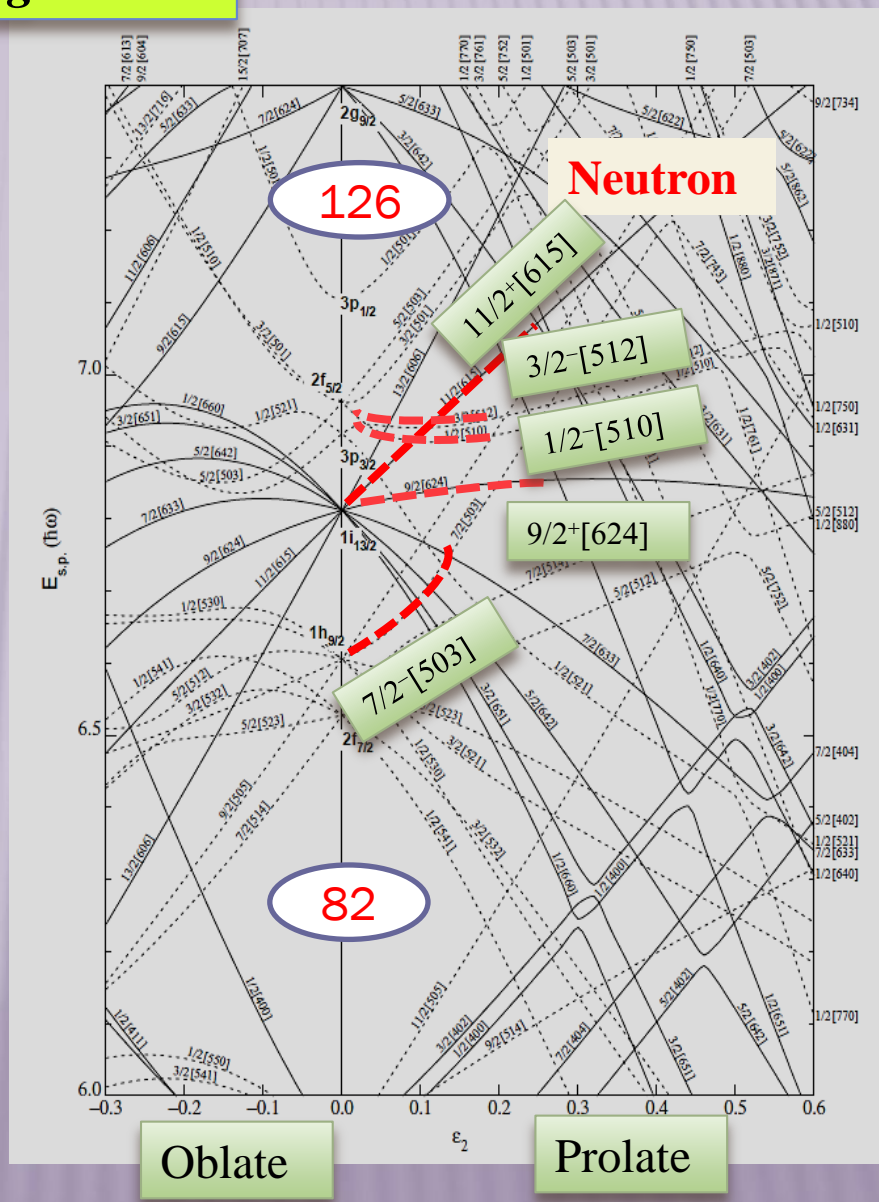
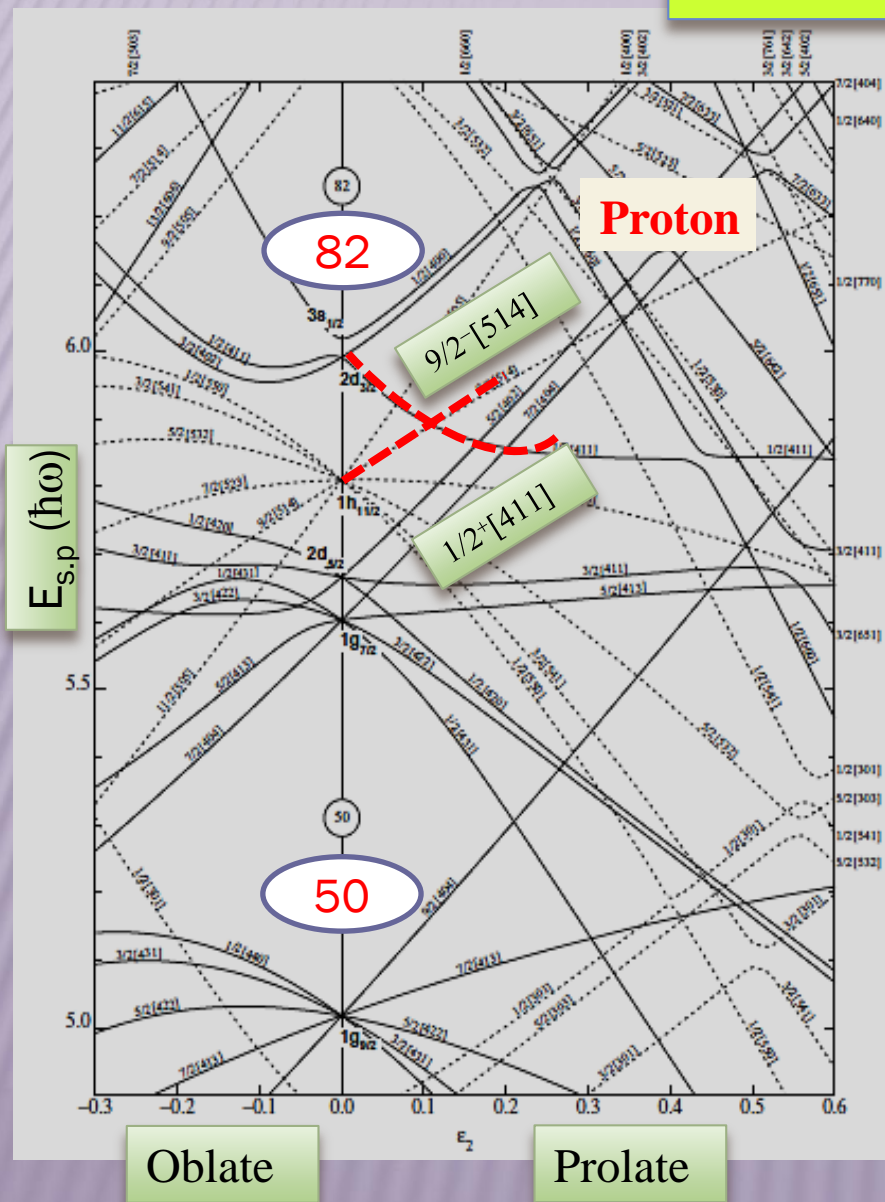
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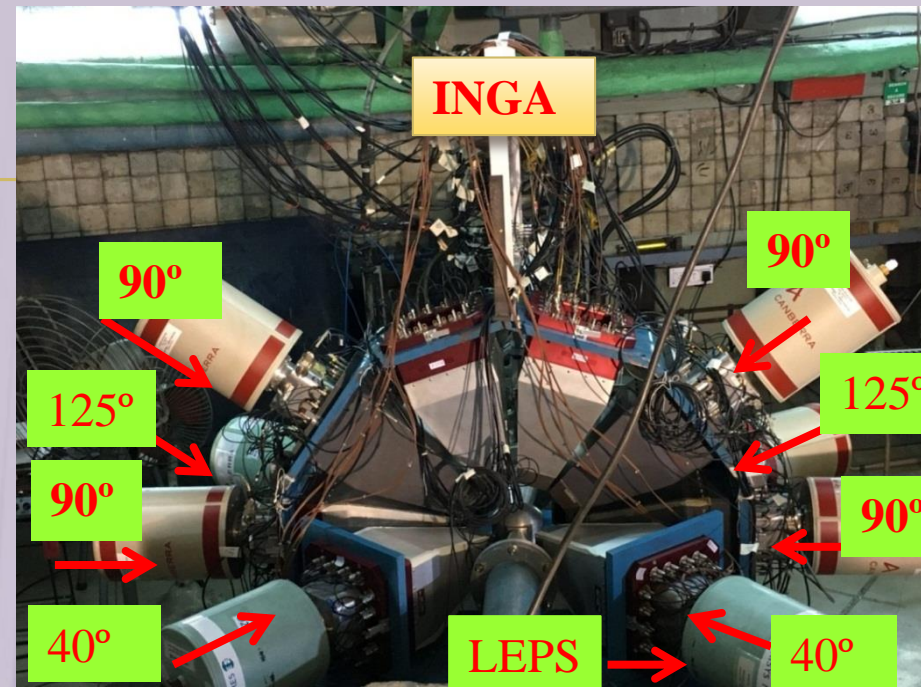
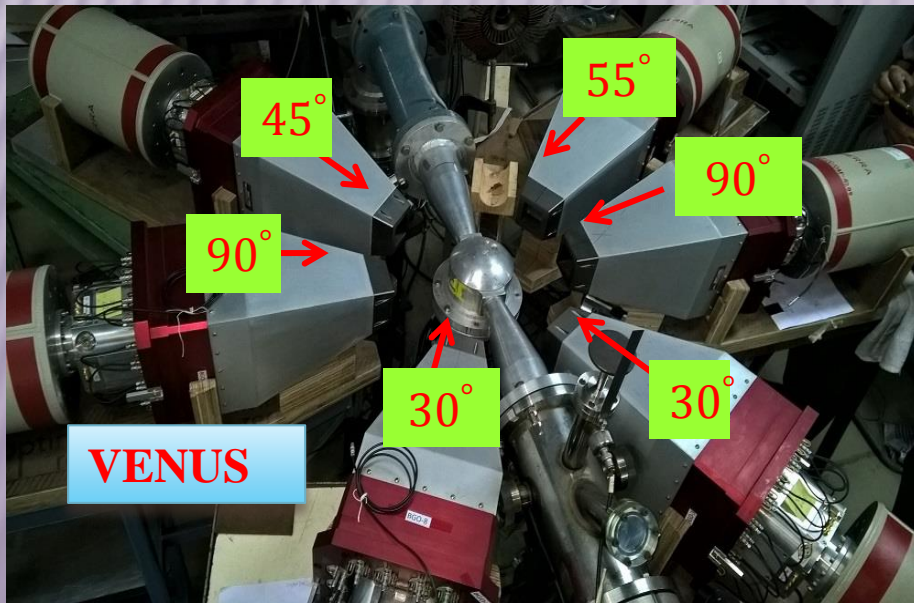
**$^{187}\text{Os}$**

***Nilsson Diagrams***

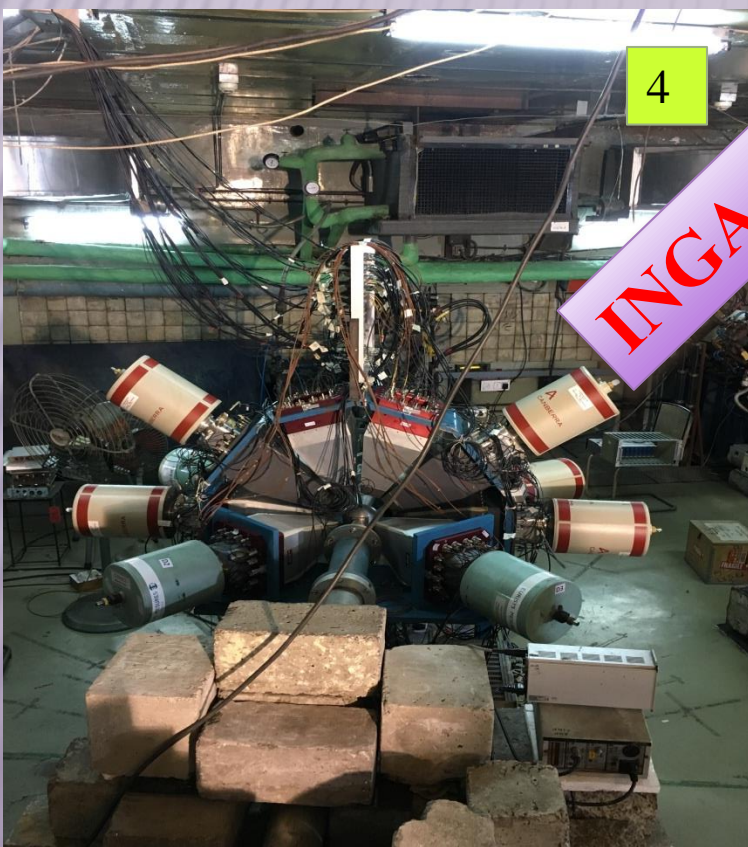


# *VENUS and INGA setup at VECC*

- **VEcc NUclear Spectroscopy array (VENUS)** contains of six Compton suppressed clover detectors.
- The absolute efficiency of the array is 1.0% at 1 MeV.



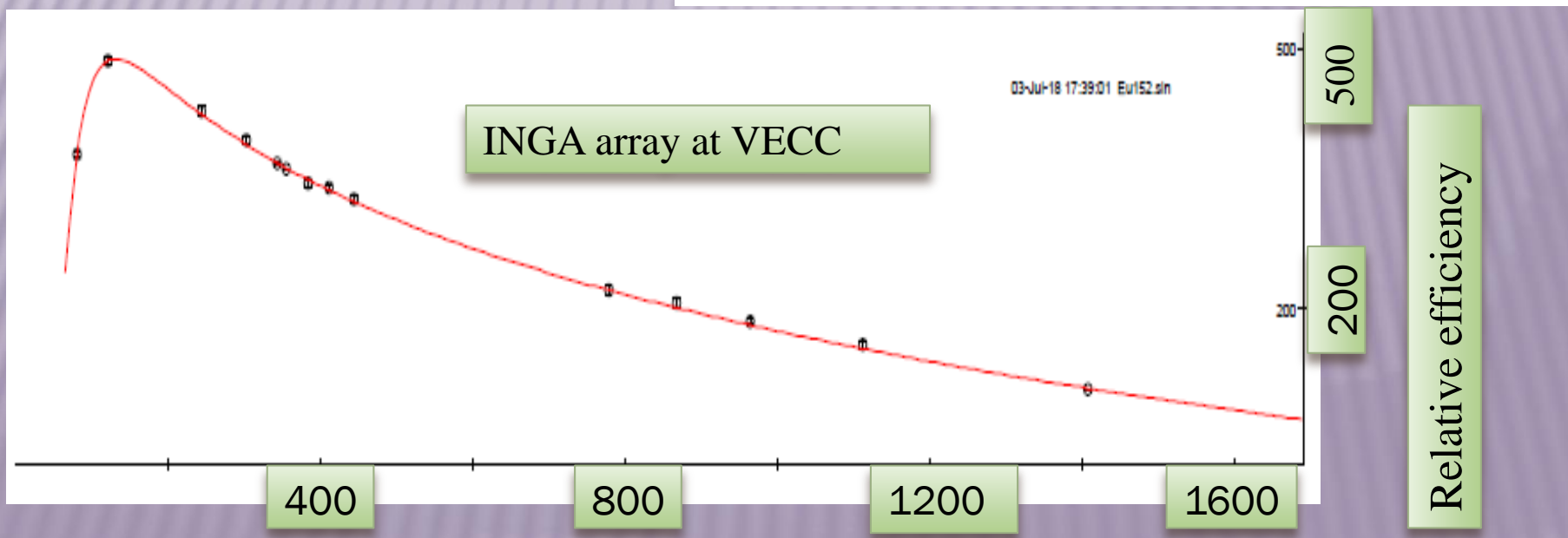
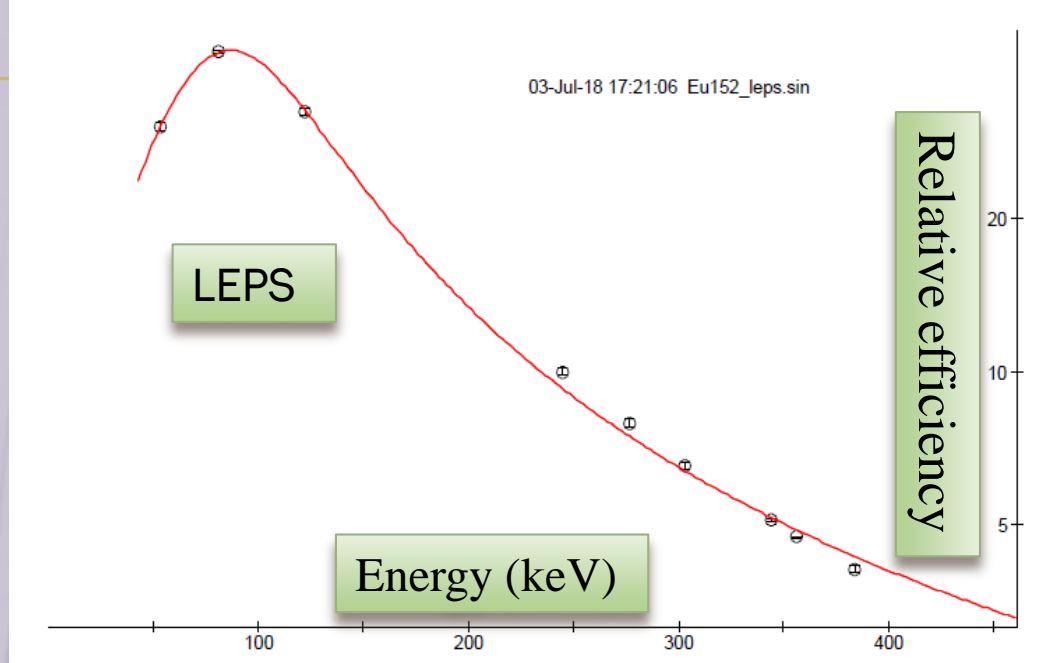
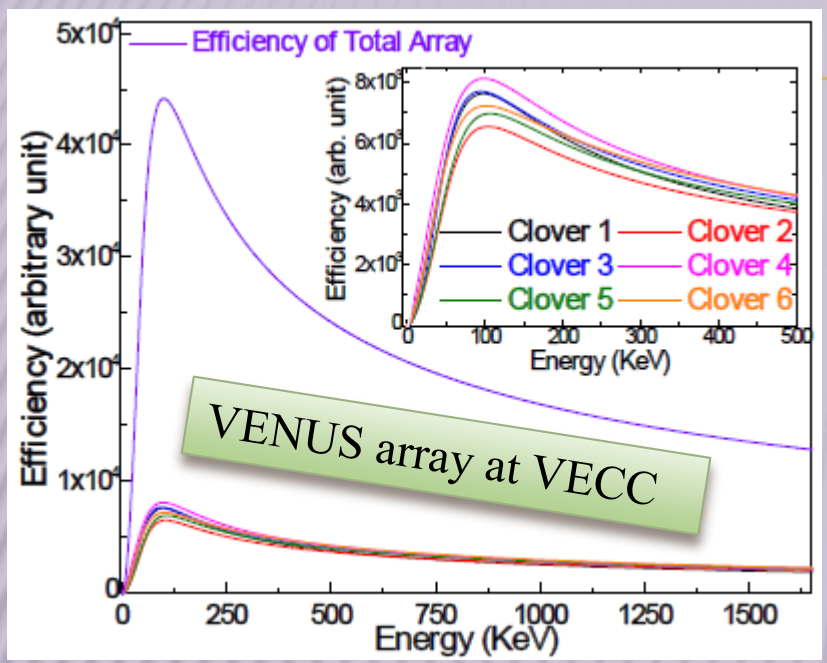
- **Indian National Gamma Array (INGA)** at VECC contains seven Compton suppressed clover detectors and one LEPS detector.
- The absolute efficiency of a detector in addback mode is 0.17% for 1 MeV gamma rays.



**INGA Setup at VECC**

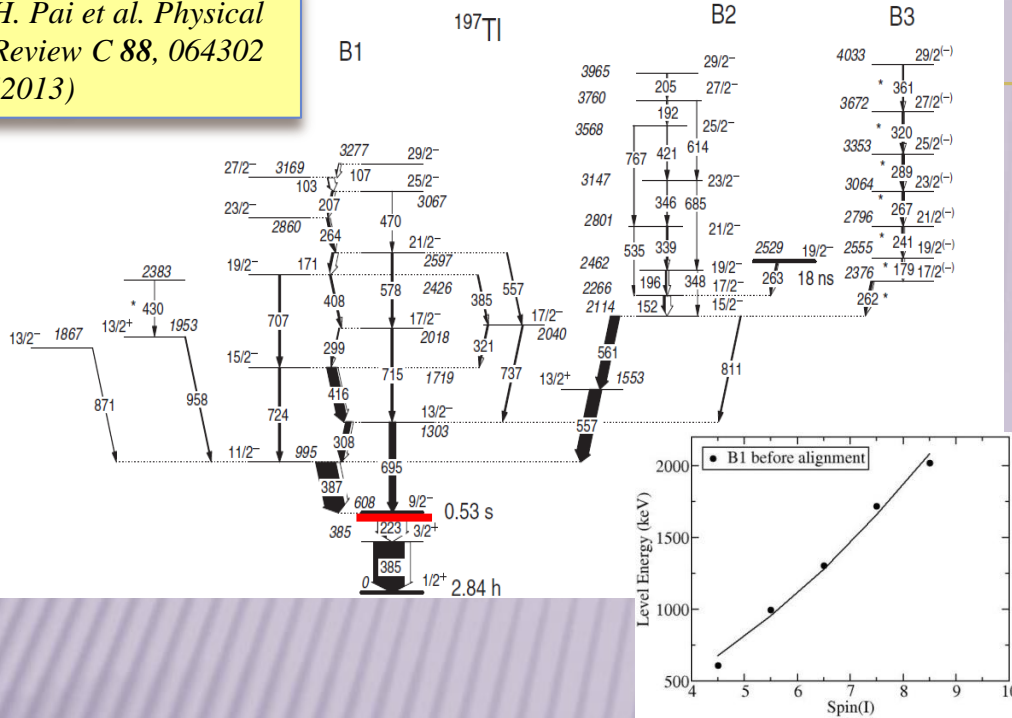


# Efficiency of VENUS and INGA array



# Existing information on $^{197}\text{Tl}$ ( $Z = 81$ )

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## Exp.-1

- $[^{197}\text{Au}(^4\text{He}, 4n)^{197}\text{Tl}]$  at 51 MeV
- One Ge(Li) with C. S. and a small (11%) planar Ge detectors.

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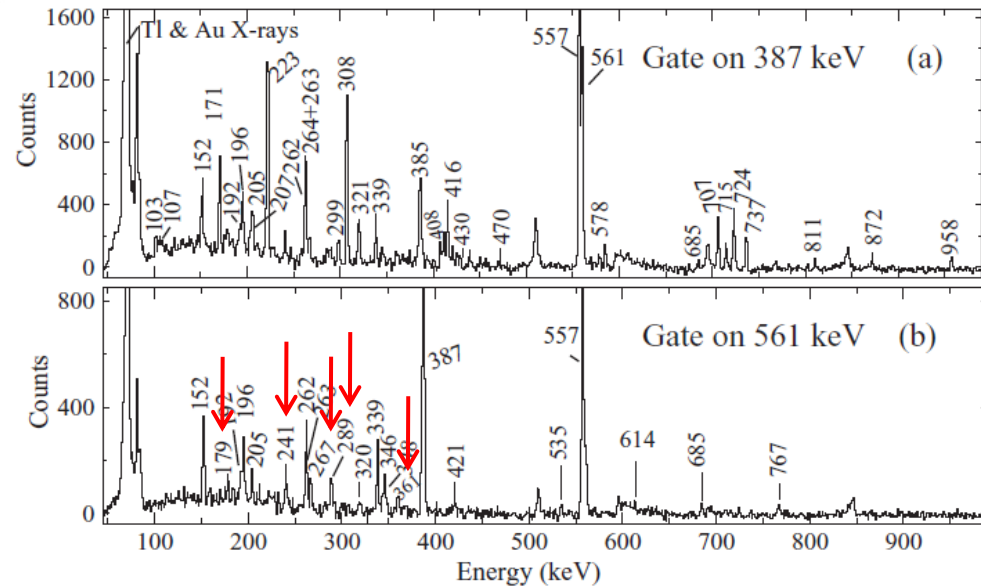
## Exp.-2

- $[^{197}\text{Au}(^4\text{He}, 4n)^{197}\text{Tl}]$  at 48 MeV
- One HPGe and one CLOVER detector.

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## Issues remain to be solved

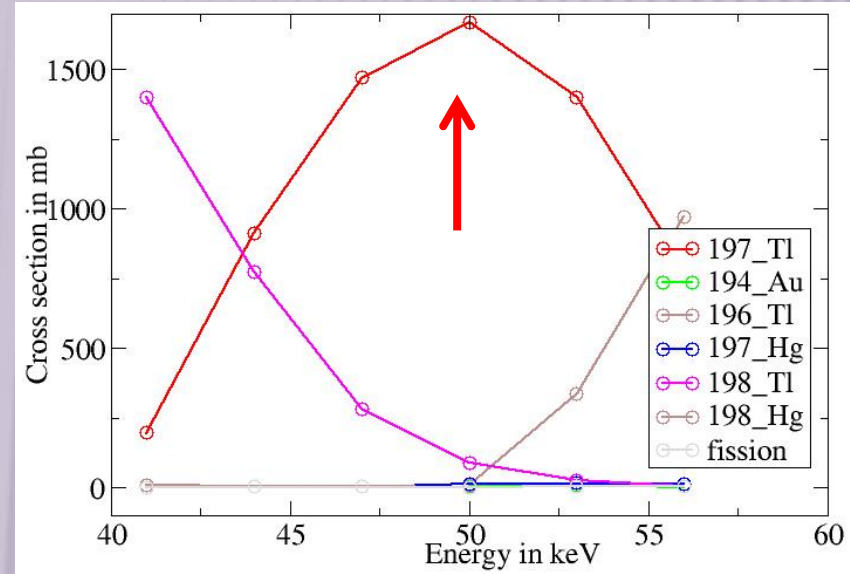
- Effect of unpaired neutron in  $i_{13/2}$
- Spin and Parity of the band B2
- Coincidence relation in band B3
- Position of intruder  $\pi i_{13/2}$  state



# New investigation on $^{197}\text{Tl}$

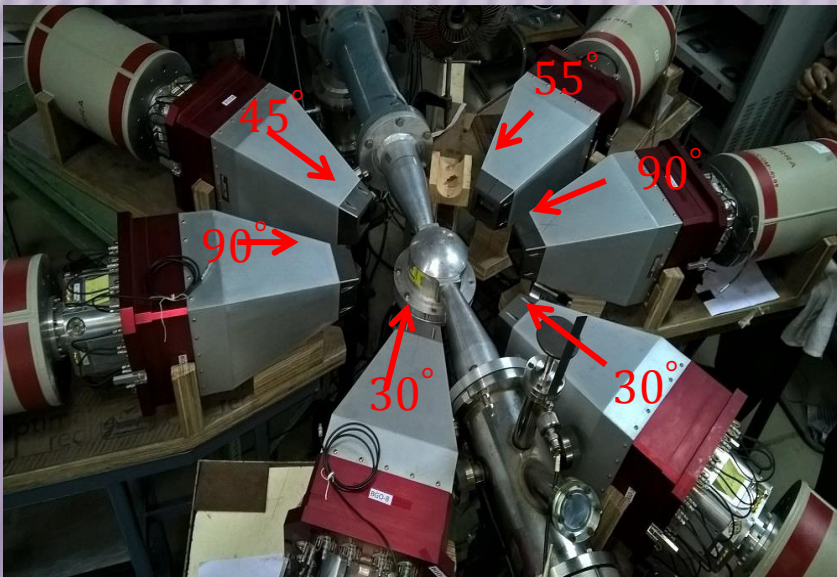
A new experiment has been performed at VECC to address the unsolved issues

- Reaction:- [ $^{197}\text{Au}(^4\text{He}, 4n)^{197}\text{Tl}$ ] at 50 MeV
- Beam:-  $^4\text{He}$
- Target:-  $^{197}\text{Au}$  of thickness  $5\text{mg}/\text{cm}^2$
- Detector:- **VENUS** array of Six Compton suppressed Clover detectors.



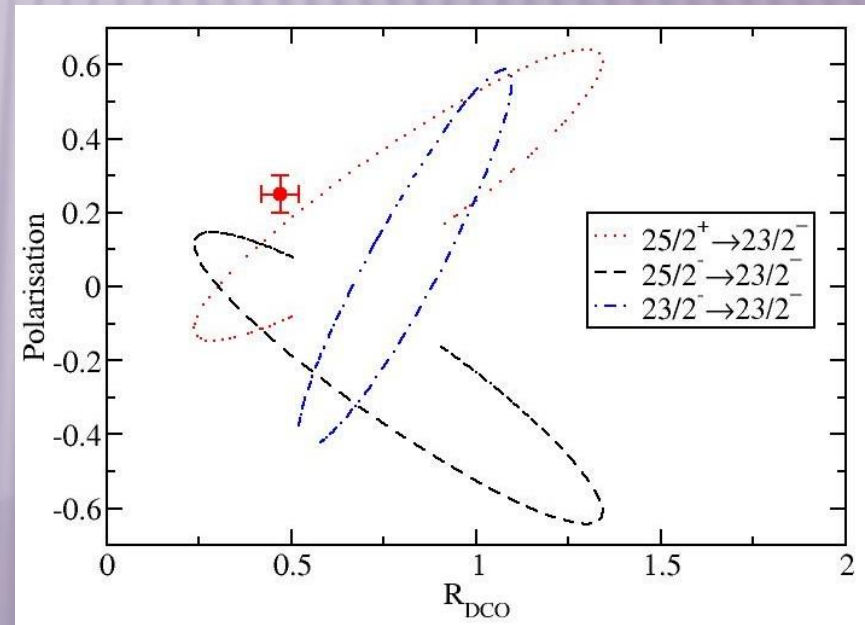
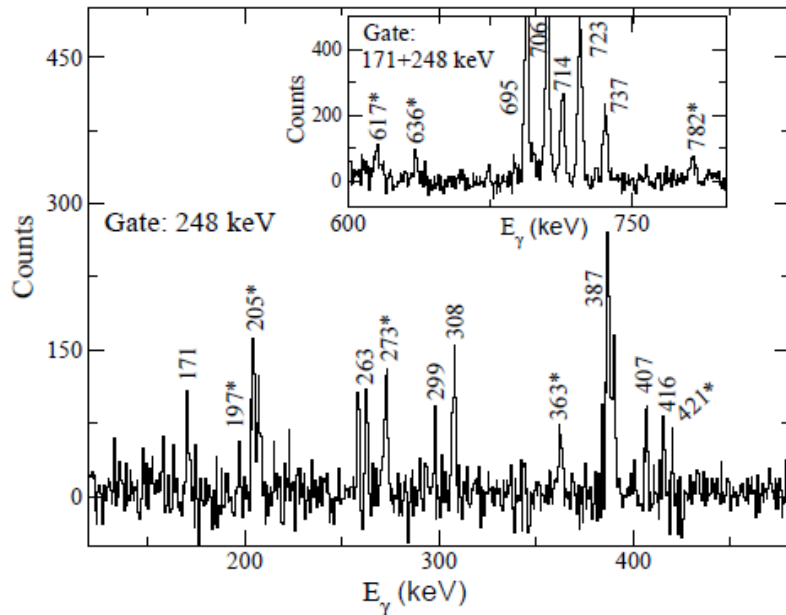
The excitation function of  $^4\text{He} + ^{197}\text{Au}$  reaction as calculated from PACE-IV

- Various  $\gamma$ - $\gamma$  matrices were constructed to build the level scheme.
- The multipolarity and the type of the gamma rays assigned using DCO, IPDCO and angular distribution measurement.



# Newly observed band B in $^{197}\text{Tl}$

- A new level scheme has been proposed with placement of several new  $\gamma$  lines.
- A new band structure (band B) has been identified on top of the 2858-keV,  $23/2^-$  state.
- $J^\pi$  of the band head has been assigned from the  $R_{\text{DCO}}$  and P measurement of the 248-keV transition (**found to be E1**).
- All the  $\gamma$  rays are confirmed in the single gate of 248 keV.



## Comparison between two possible configurations for Band B

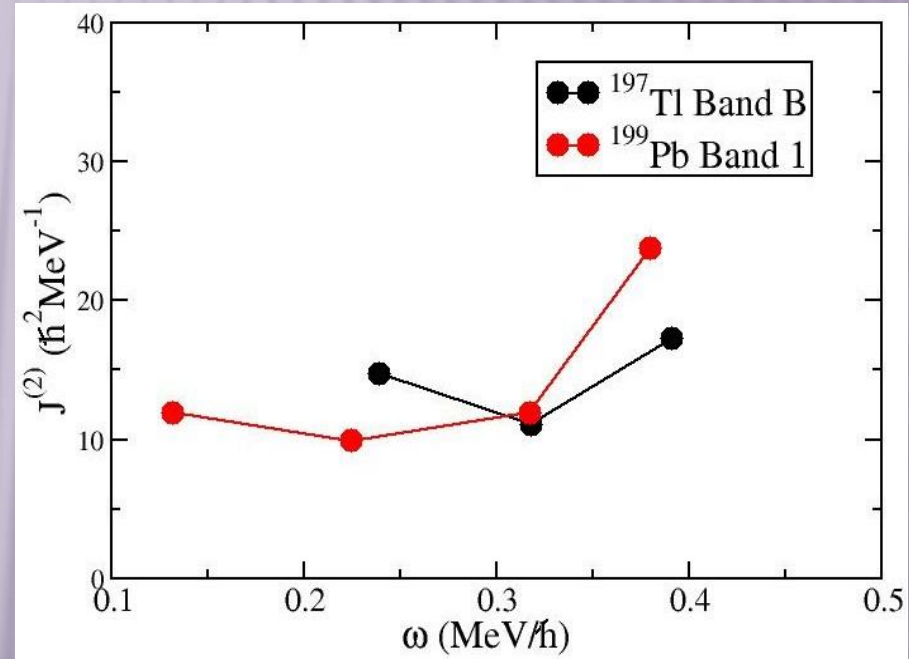
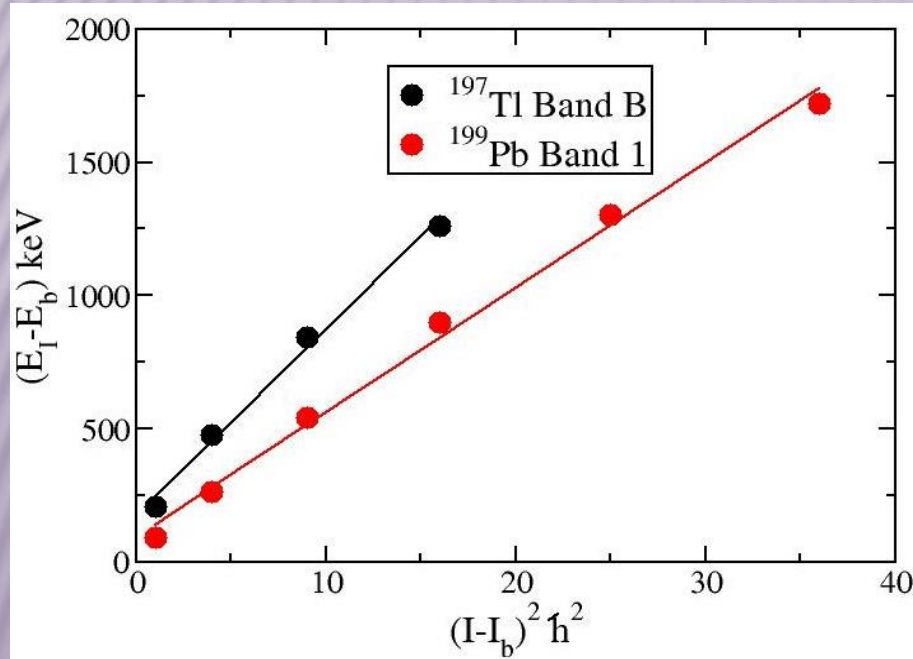
	Experimental Observation (band B)	Configuration 1	Configuration 2
Config.		$\pi h_{11/2}^{-1} \otimes \nu i_{13/2}^{-1} \nu (p_{3/2}, f_{5/2})^{-1}$	$\pi i_{13/2}^{+1} \otimes (\nu i_{13/2})^{-2}$
Excitation energy	3106 keV	3522 keV (estimated)	3062 keV (estimated)
g factor	0.49(2) (form B(M1)/B(E2) ratio)	0.34	0.44
Nature of band	Strongly Coupled / MR	Decoupled (Proton hole in low $\Omega$ orbital)	Strongly Coupled (Proton particle in high $\Omega$ orbital)
		Observed in odd-A Au isotopes	Observed in odd-A Bi after neutron alignment

Adopted Configuration :  $\pi i_{13/2}^{+1} \otimes (\nu i_{13/2})^{-2}$  : 1-particle  $\otimes$  2-hole

→ MR Band ?

## Nature of band B

- $E_I - E_b$  vs  $(I - I_b)^2$  of band B in  $^{197}\text{Tl}$  compared with already established MR band in  $^{199}\text{Pb}$ .
- Band 1 in  $^{199}\text{Pb}$  reported as a magnetic rotational band of configuration  $\pi h_{9/2}^{+1} \pi i_{13/2}^{+1} \otimes \nu i_{13/2}^{-1}$ .
- The typical values of dynamic moment of inertia for a MR band in this mass region are **10-30  $\hbar^2/\text{MeV}^{-1}$**



- Band B with  $\pi i_{13/2}^{+1} \otimes (\nu i_{13/2})^{-2}$  configuration might be a MR band

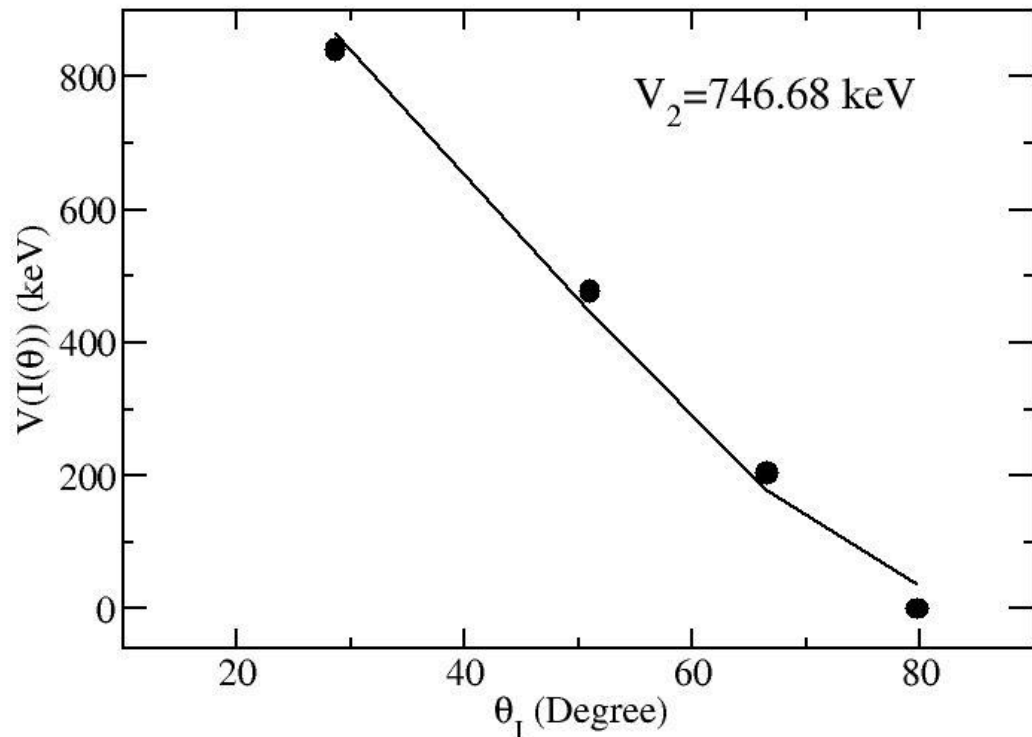
- According to Macchiavelli et al. the neutron and proton angular momentum coupled to generate spin I and interacting via  $V_2 P_2 \cos(\theta)$ .
- The excitation energy with respect to band head energy vs shears angle has been plotted and fitted by equation-

$$V(I(\theta)) = E_I - E_b = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right) V_2 \cos(\theta_I)^2$$

- $V_2^{1p-2h} = 746.68 \text{ keV}$   
(for 2 particle-hole pairs)

→ Av. (per p-h pair)  
 $V_2^{1p-1h} = 373.34 \text{ keV}$

- This compares well with the typical value of Av. 1p-1h interaction strength in Pb region is  $V_2^{1p-1h} \sim 300 \text{ keV}$



# SPAC Calculation

- SPAC (Shears with principle axis cranking) calculation was done for band B.
- The calculated  $B(M1)/B(E2)$  ratio and gamma energy with spin compared with the experimentally measured values.

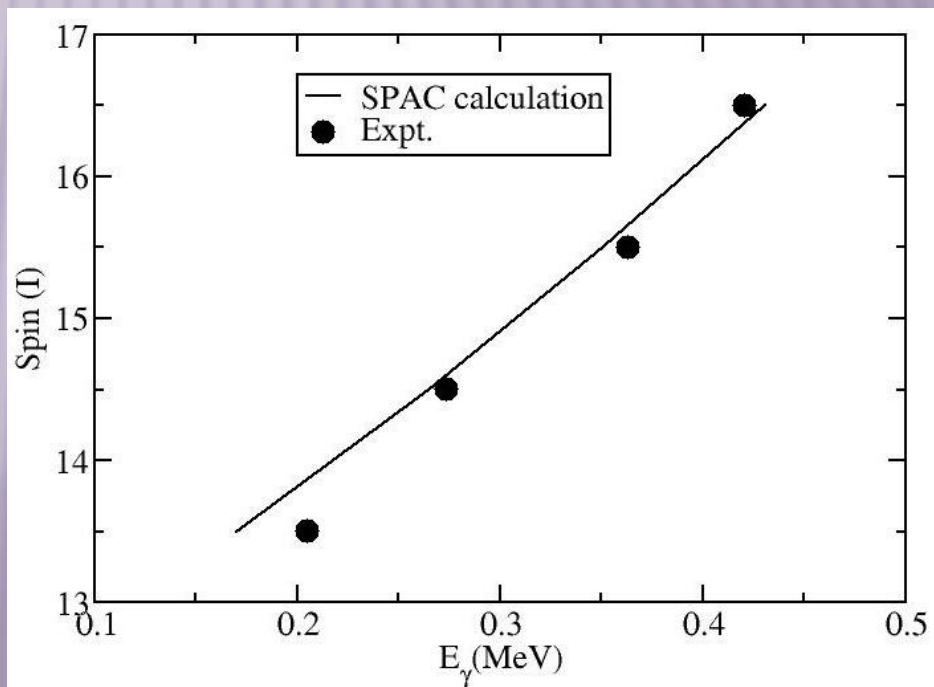
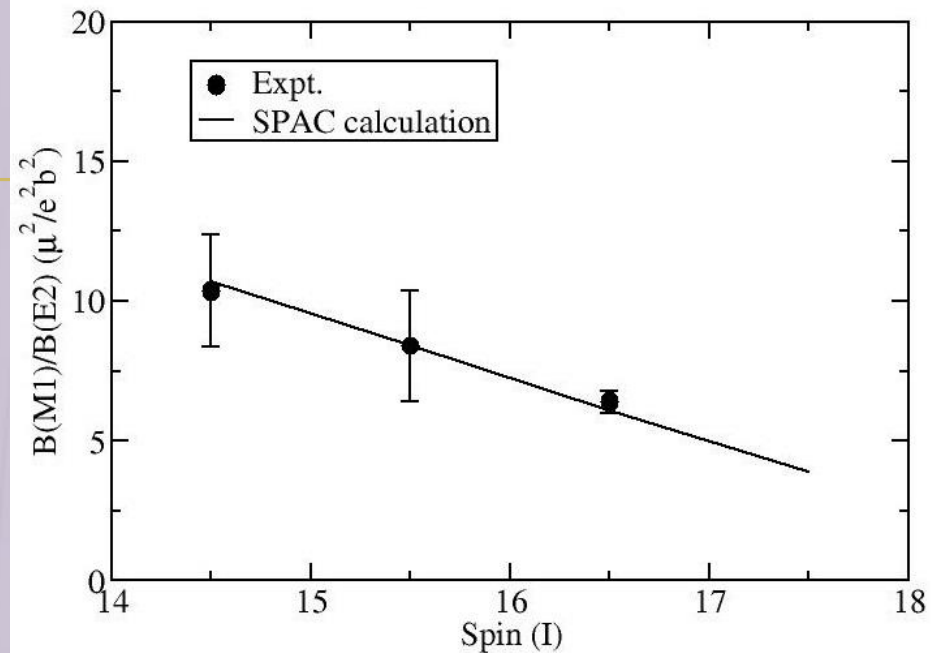
- Values of input parameters used for SPAC calculations are:-

$$V_2 = 1.05 \text{ MeV}$$

$$J_\pi = 5.5 \hbar$$

$$J_\nu = 10 \hbar$$

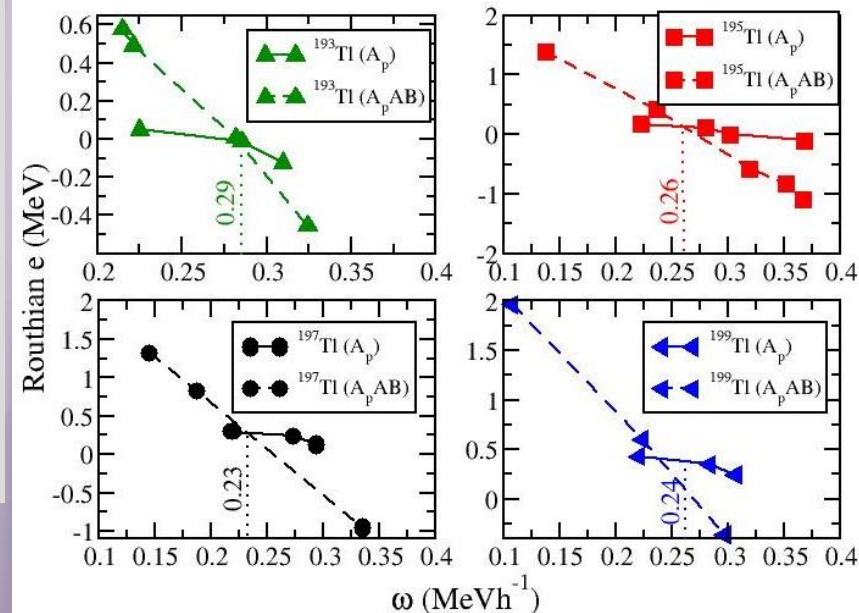
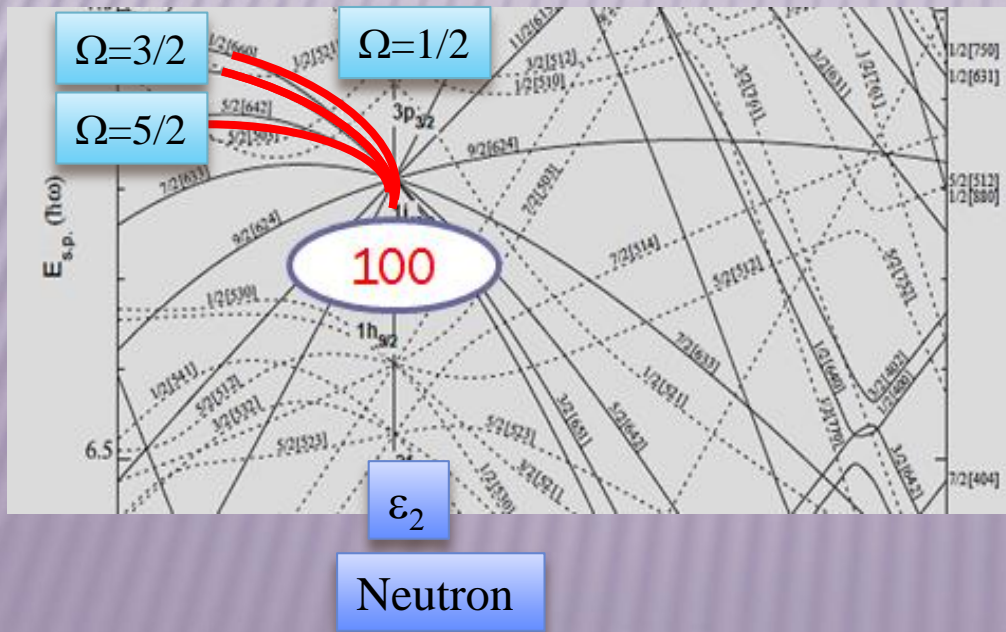
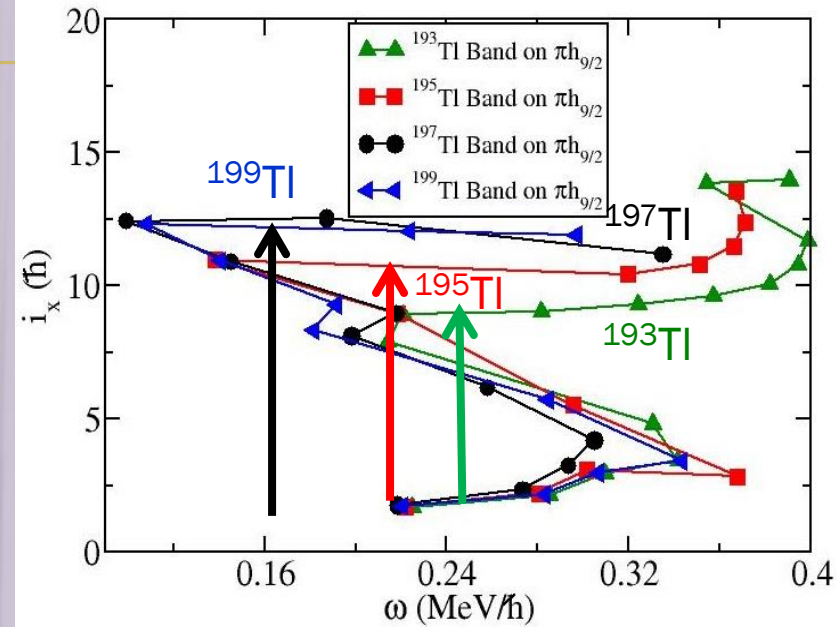
$$\text{Core Moment of inertia} = 5.5 \hbar^2 / \text{MeV}$$





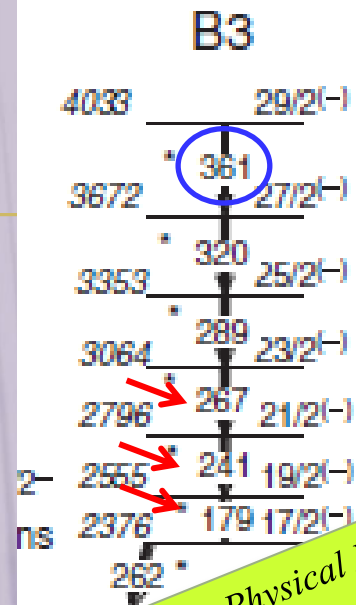
# Observation of Neutron alignment in the band based on $\pi h_{9/2}$

- Neutron pair alignments in  $h_{9/2}$  band in Tl nuclei are compared.
- Gain in alignment increases with neutron number until  $^{197}\text{Tl}$  and saturates afterwards.
- The crossing frequencies ( $\omega_c$ ) are obtained from the experimental Routhians.
- $\omega_c$  decreases with the increase in neutron number up to  $^{197}\text{Tl}$ .

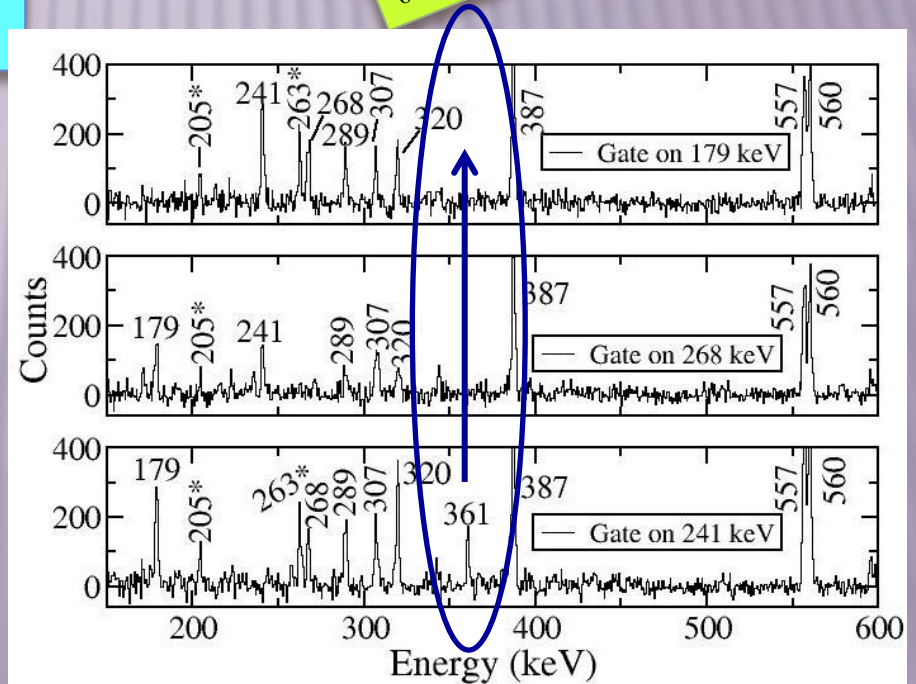
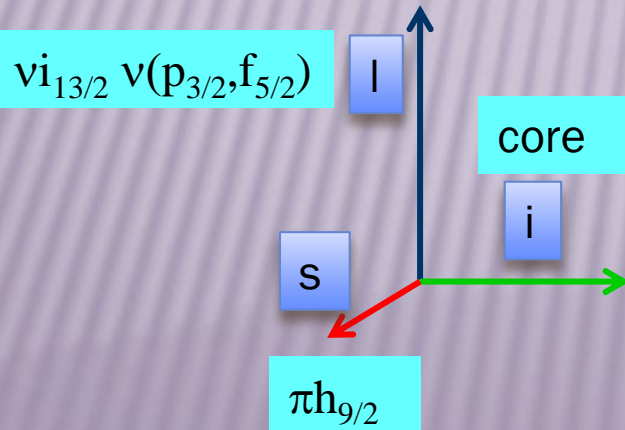


# Modification and discussions on band B3

- The gated spectrum shown below shows that the band B3 needs modification.
- Band B3 has been modified and extended using coincidence relation and intensity argument.
- The assigned configuration for band B3 is  $\pi h_{9/2} \otimes \nu i_{13/2} \nu(p_{3/2}, f_{5/2})$ .



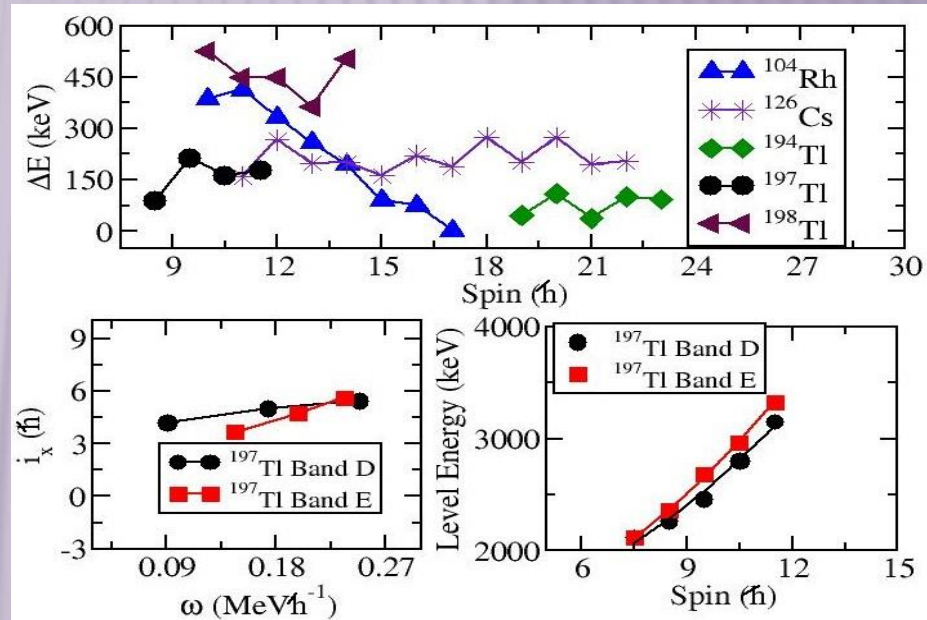
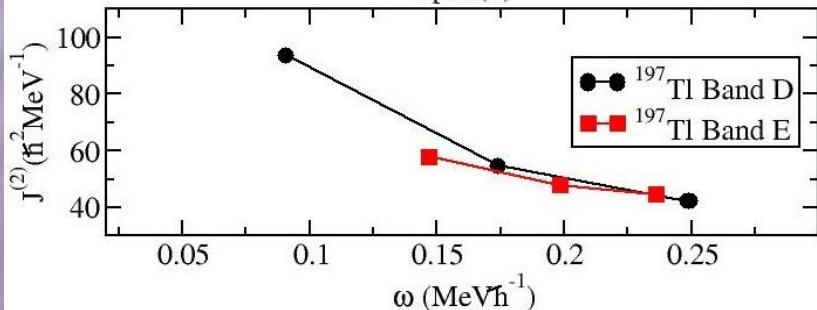
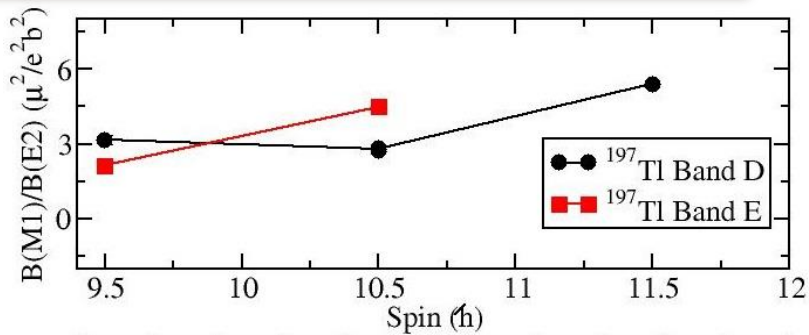
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# Indication of chirality in $^{197}\text{Tl}$

- The modified band B3 possibly a chiral partner band of previously observed band B2 by H. Pai et. al.
- The connecting transitions between the bands were not found. It may be due to low statistics.

- Conf. =  $\pi h_{9/2} \otimes \nu i_{13/2} \otimes \nu(p_{3/2}, f_{5/2})$
- High  $\Omega = \pi h_{9/2}$
- Low  $\Omega = \nu i_{13/2} \otimes \nu(p_{3/2}, f_{5/2})$



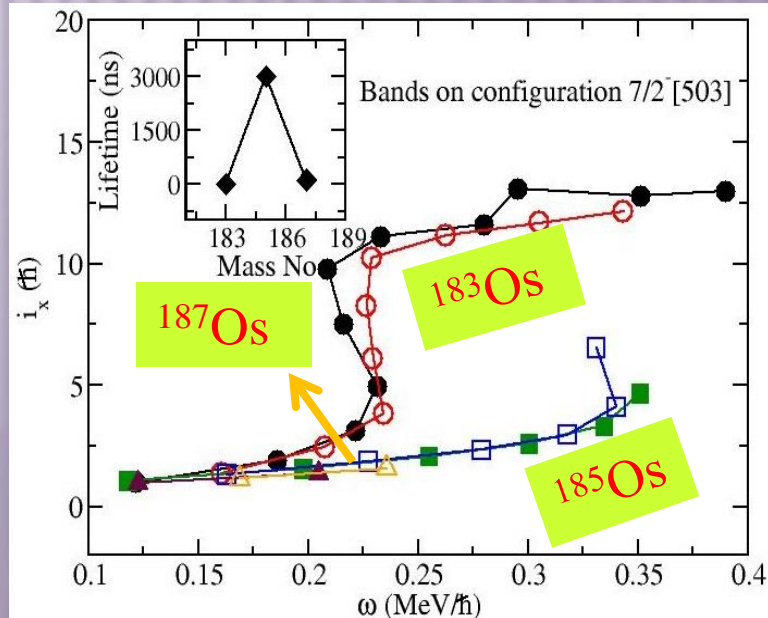
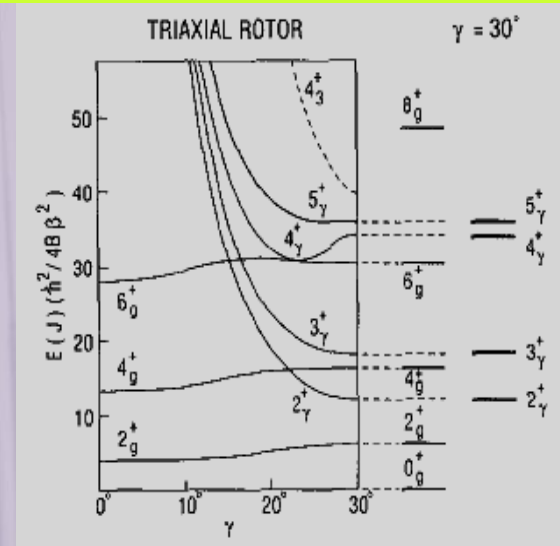
# Study of the excited states in $^{187}\text{Os}$

## Motivation

1. Os ( $Z = 76$ ) nuclei lie in the region of nuclei with gamma-soft and triaxial shapes.
2. The triaxiality in a nucleus manifested by different modes of excitation like gamma band, doubly degenerate band structure, Wobbling band etc.
3. The neighboring even-even core nucleus  $^{186}\text{Os}$  has a gamma band and has been interpreted with a significant gamma deformation.
4. It would be interesting to study the effect of unpaired neutron on triaxial core.
5. For the  $7/2^- [503]$  band, a much delayed crossing has been observed in  $^{185}\text{Os}$  ( $N=109$ ) compared to  $^{183}\text{Os}$  ( $N=107$ ). Data on  $^{187}\text{Os}$  ( $N=111$ ) is limited below the band crossing.

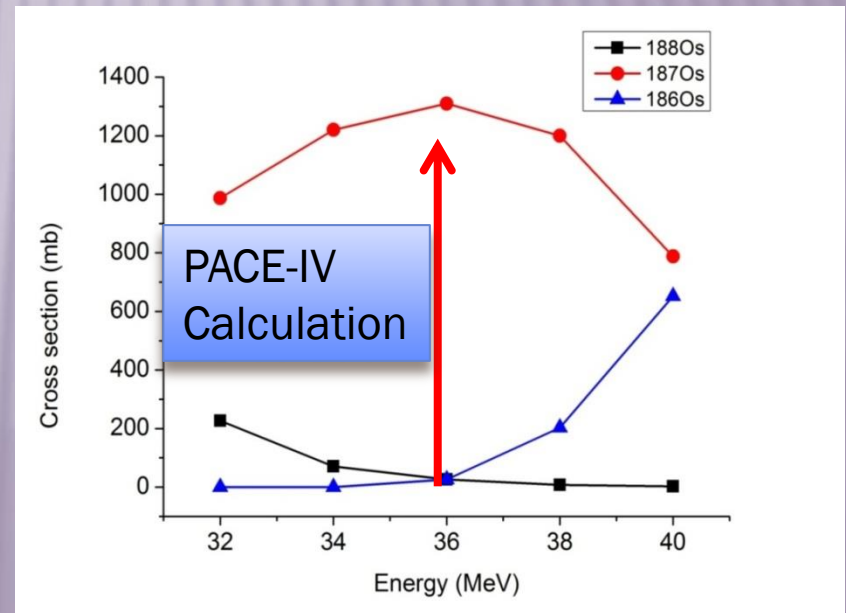
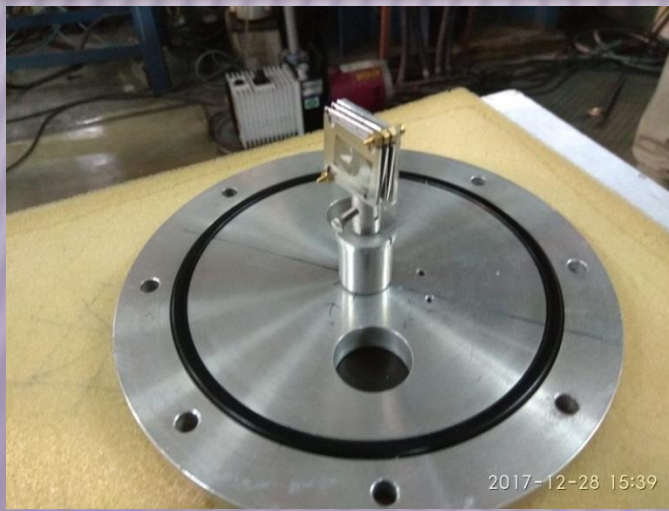
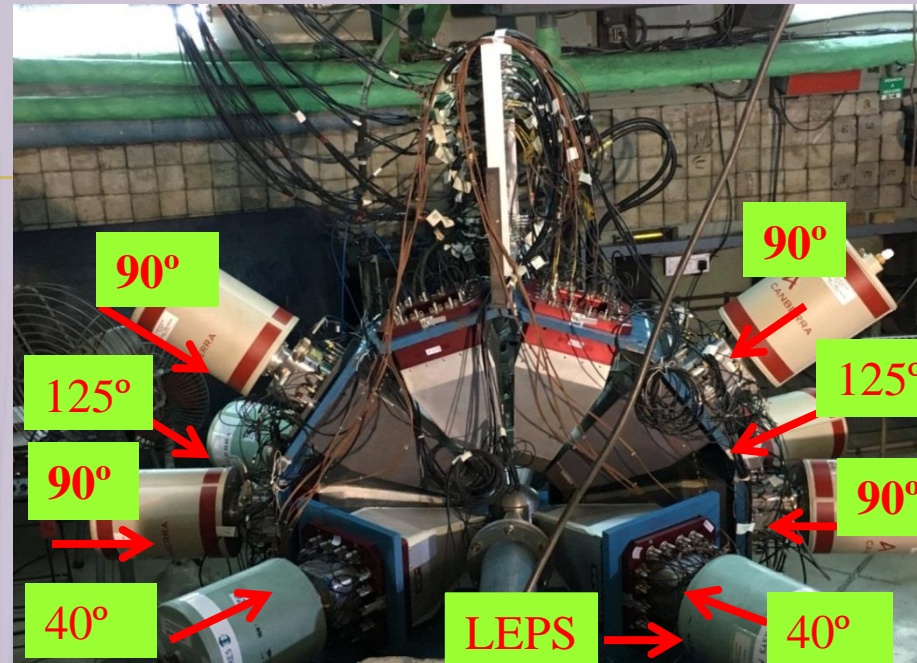
One Experiment has been performed at VECC using the INGA setup to study the excited states in  $^{187}\text{Os}$ .

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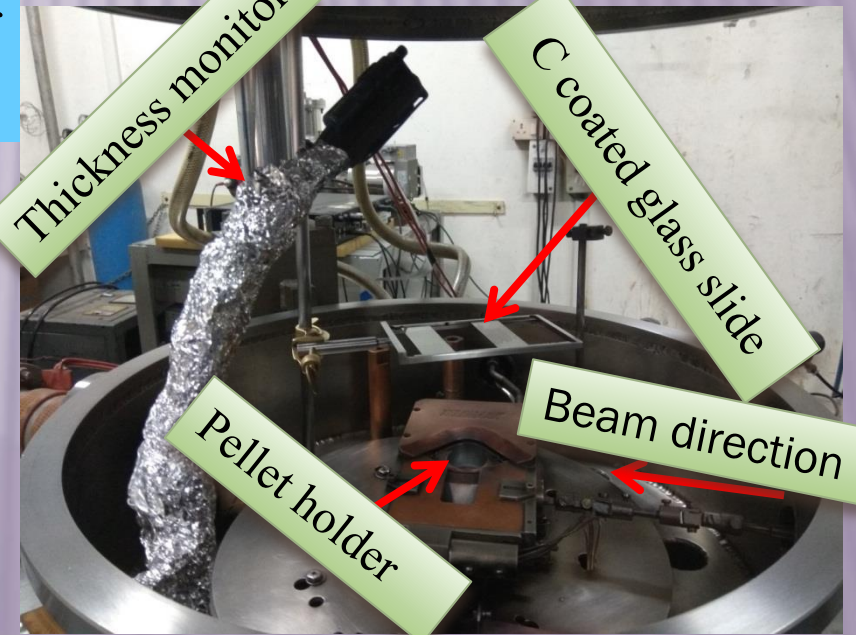
# Experimental Setup

- Reaction:- [ $^{186}\text{W}(^4\text{He}, 3n)^{187}\text{Os}$ ] at 36 MeV
- Beam:-  $^4\text{He}$
- Target:-  $300\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$  thick  $^{186}\text{W}$  on  $20\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$  C backing. Three stacked targets were used (with 2.5 mm gap).
- Detector:- **INGA** array with Seven CS-Clovers and a LEPS detector.
- Acquisition:- PIXIE -16 digitizer.



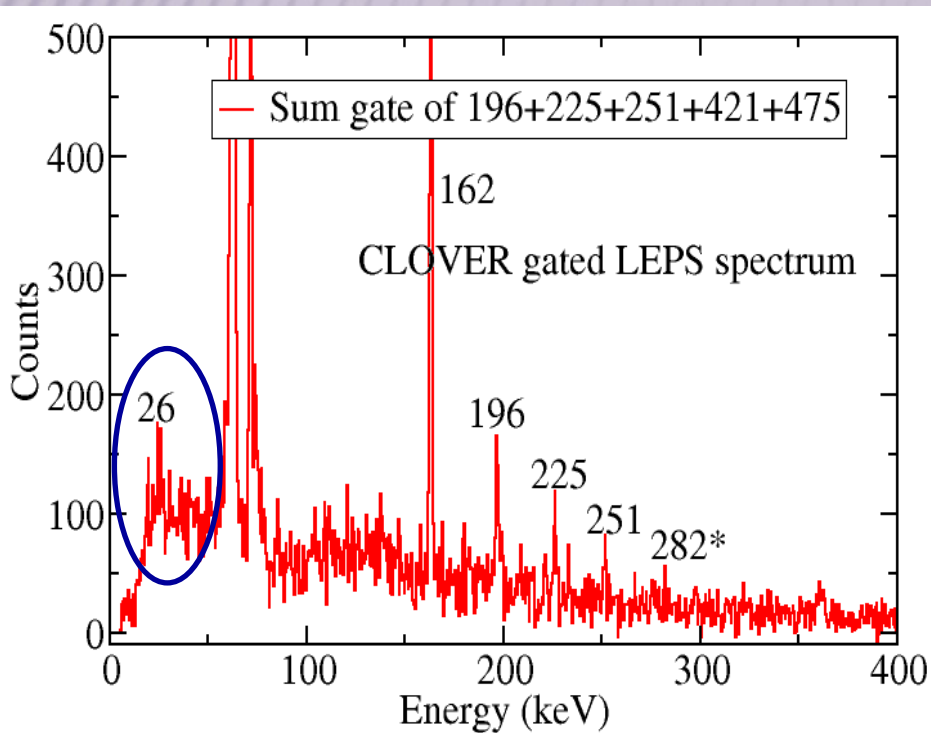
# Target Preparation

- Enriched  $^{186}\text{W}$  targets were used.
- Preparation of thick ( $1\text{-}2\text{ mg/cm}^2$ )  $^{186}\text{W}$  target from its metal powder is quite challenging due to high melting point ( $3422^\circ\text{C}$ ).
- $300\mu\text{g/cm}^2$  thick  $^{186}\text{W}$  target on  $20\mu\text{g/cm}^2$  C backing has been made by using electron gun evaporation technique in ultra-high vacuum environment with the help of target lab in IUAC, New Delhi.

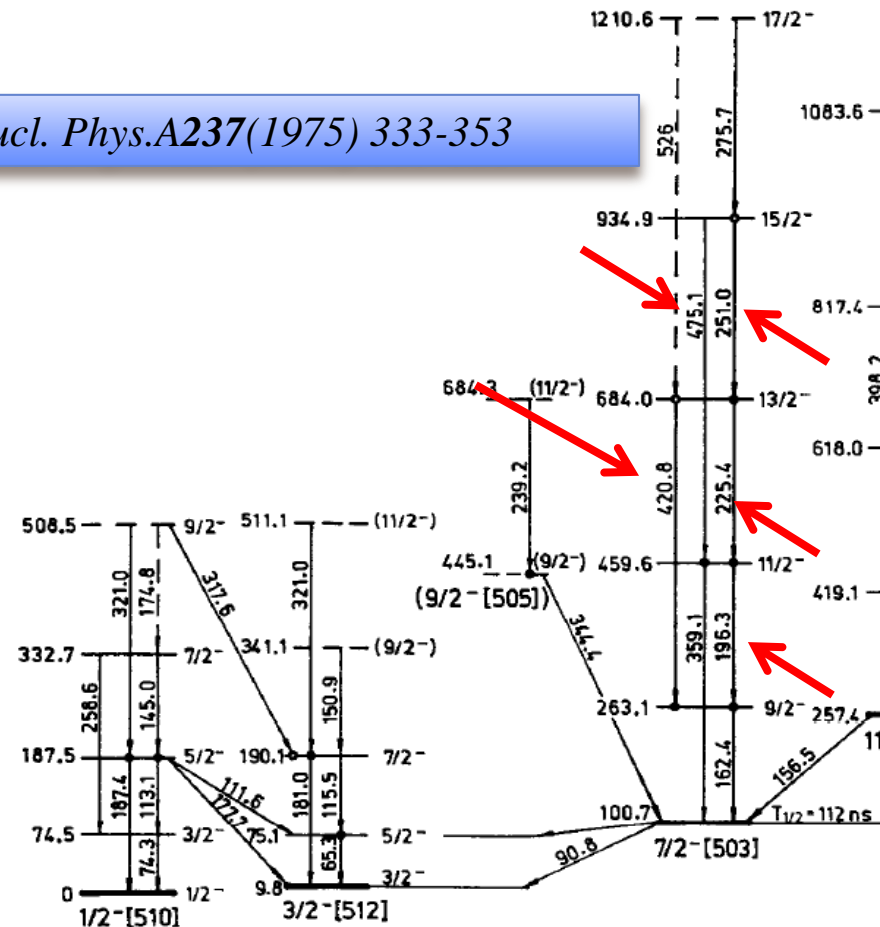


# Preliminary results on $^{187}\text{Os}$

- In the preliminary analysis, we have seen that all the bands extended well after the band crossing and several new band structures have been based on different nucleonic orbitals.
- Low energy 26 keV transition has been confirmed in the sum gated spectrum of 196+225+251+421+475 keV transitions.

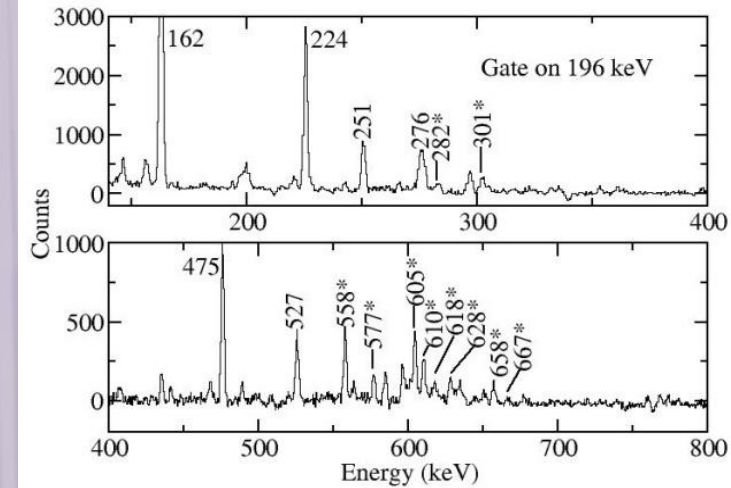
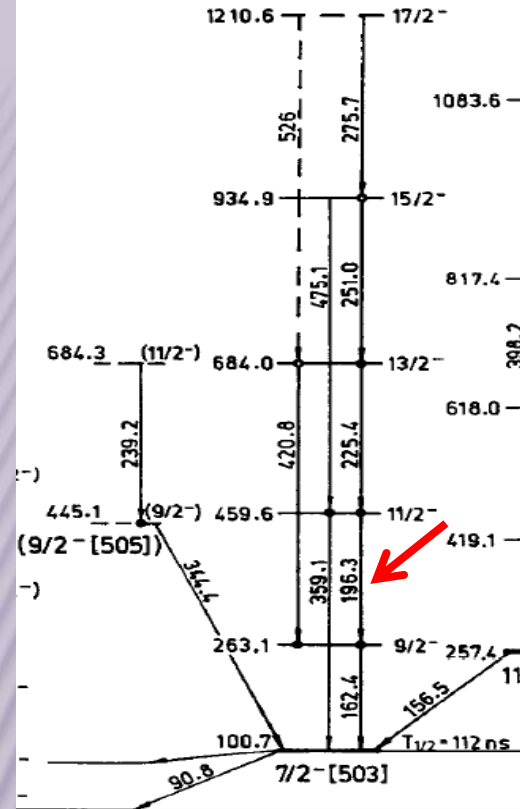


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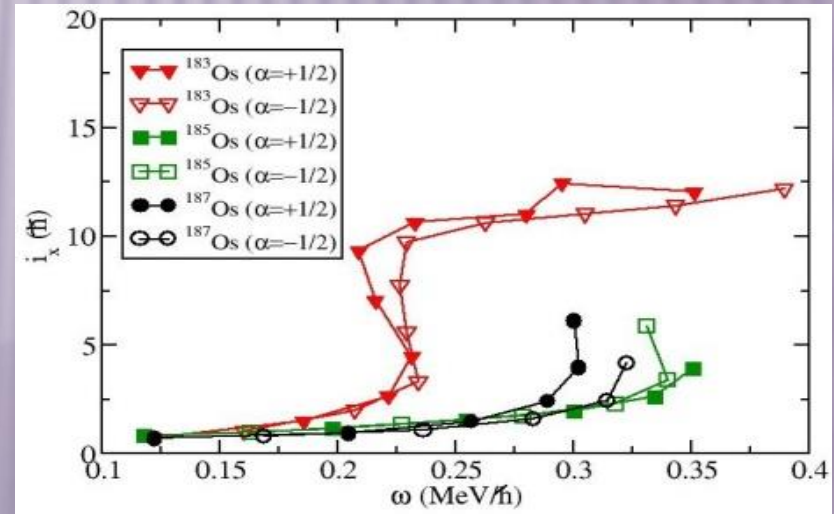
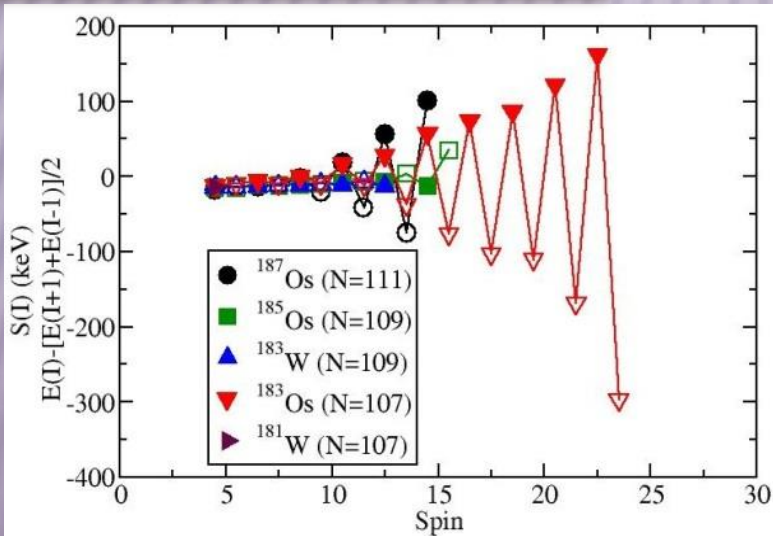


# Band based on $\nu h_{9/2}$ in $^{187}\text{Os}$

- Band on  $\nu h_{9/2}$  extended beyond after band crossing.
- The delay in crossing frequency explained by N=110 deformed shell gap.
- Anomalous staggering can be explained by gamma softness or prolate to oblate shape transition.



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# Summary

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- In  $^{197}\text{Tl}$ , the existing level scheme is well extended and few things of the level scheme have been modified.
- A new band B has been found in  $^{197}\text{Tl}$  which was interpreted as MR band.
- The band B3 in  $^{197}\text{Tl}$  is modified and this can be a possible chiral partner of band B2.
- In  $^{187}\text{Os}$ , several new band structures has been observed and all the existing bands extended after first band crossing.
- The detail analysis is in progress.

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*Thank you*