



Nuclear structure studies with the neutron detector
NEDA: fusion evaporation and transfer reactions

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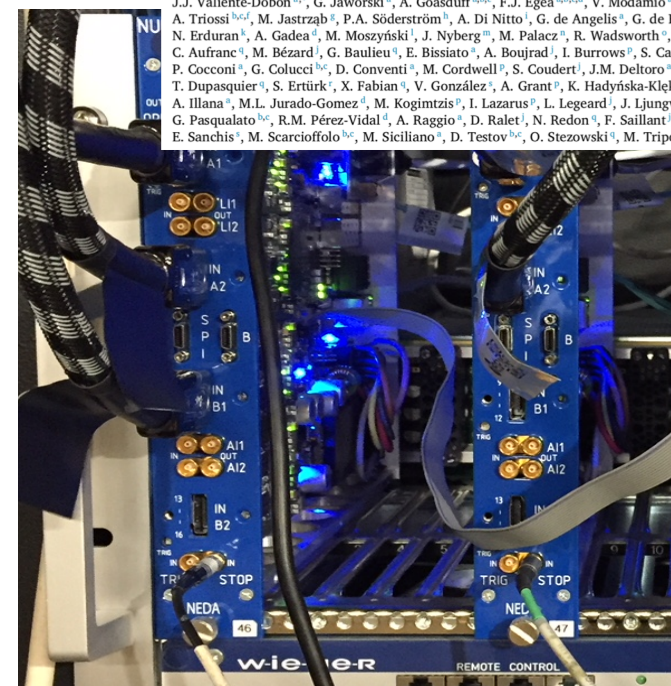
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Overview

- NEDA neutron detector
- Fusion evaporation reactions
 - Octupole correlations in the neutron deficient Xe
- Transfer reactions ($^3\text{He},n$)
 - The Colossal MED in $^{36}\text{Ca}-^{36}\text{S}$
- Summary

What is NEDA?

- Versatile neutron detector to be coupled to gamma-ray arrays, ex. AGATA
- Neutron detection is based on the liquid scintillator EJ301 with good neutron-gamma discrimination capabilities.
- Single hexagonal detector FEE fully digital system:
 - 200 MHz and ENOB 11,3
 - Global Trigger System - GTS

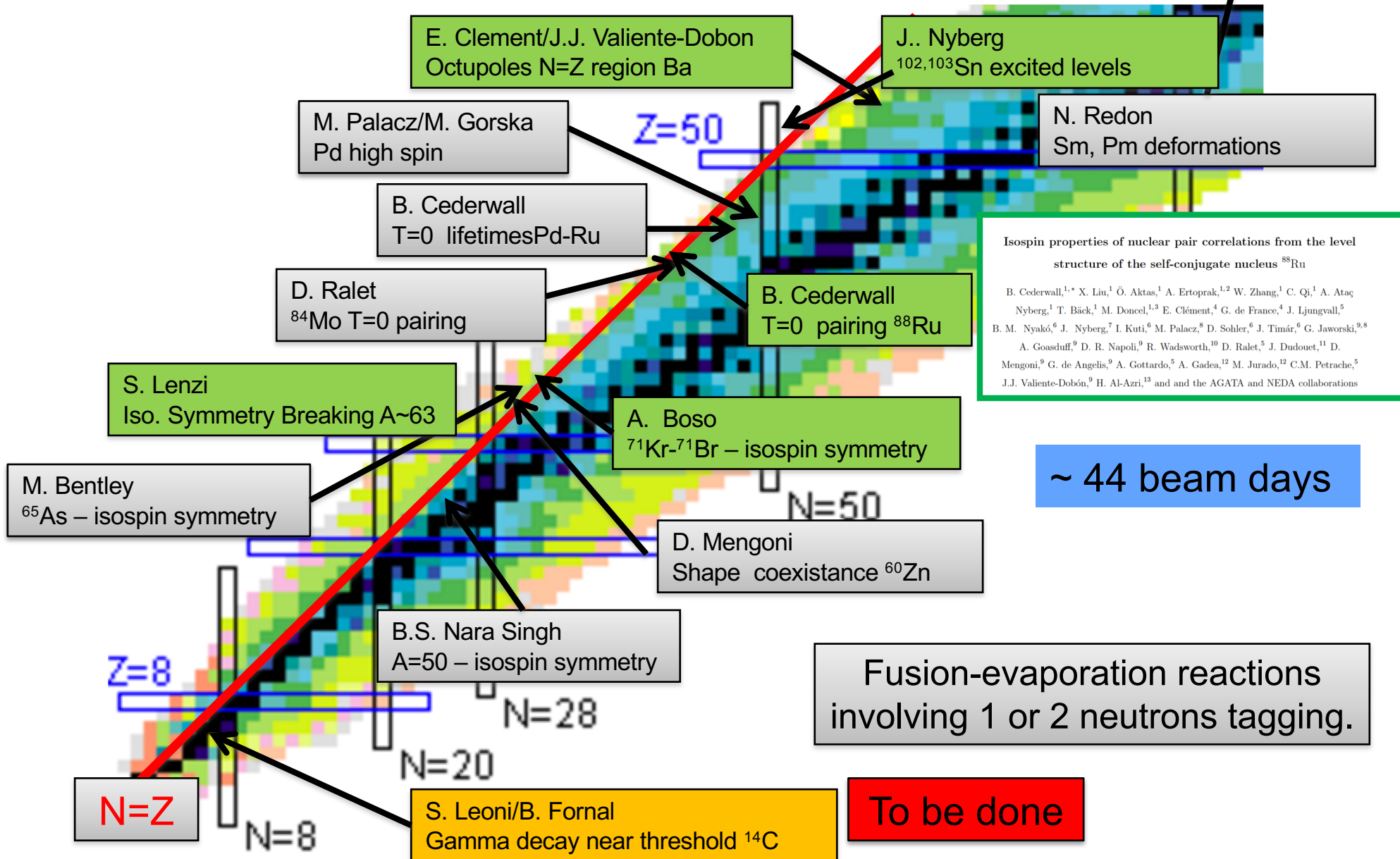


NEDA—Neutron Detector Array

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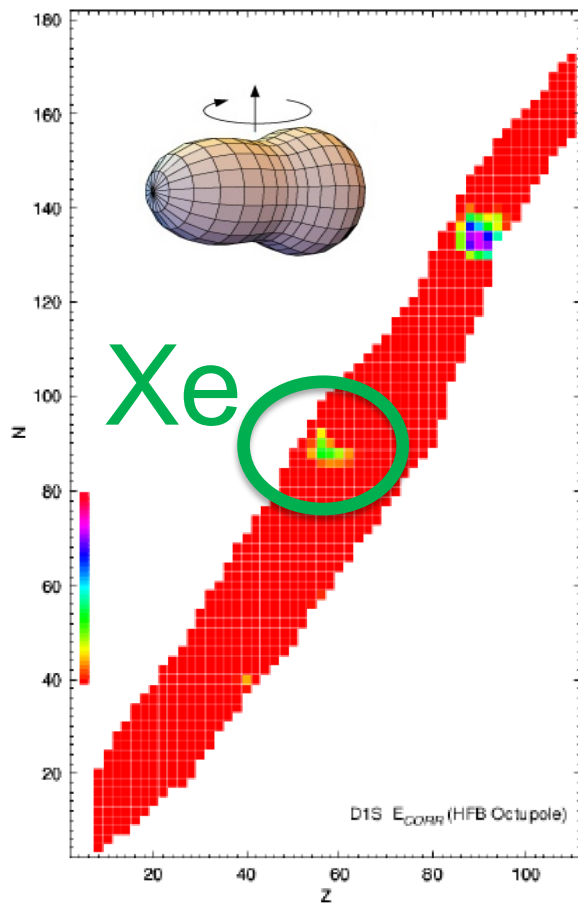
First physics campaign with NEDA

18th of april until 29th of July 2018



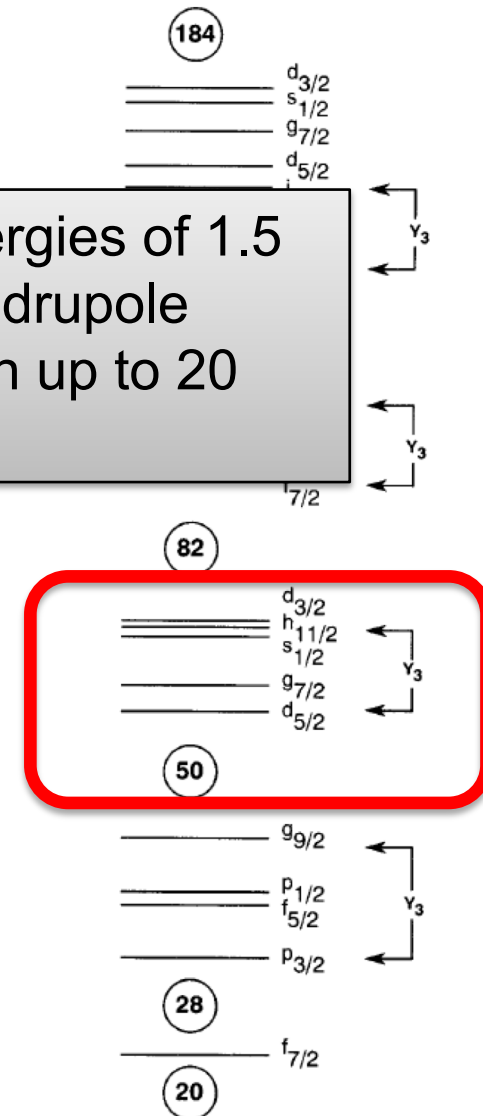
Fusion evaporation reactions

Octupoles in the Segré chart



Mean field correlation energies of 1.5 MeV at most, while id quadrupole deformed nuclei can reach up to 20 MeV.

- $Z \sim 34, 56, 88$
- $N \sim 34, 56, 88, 134$

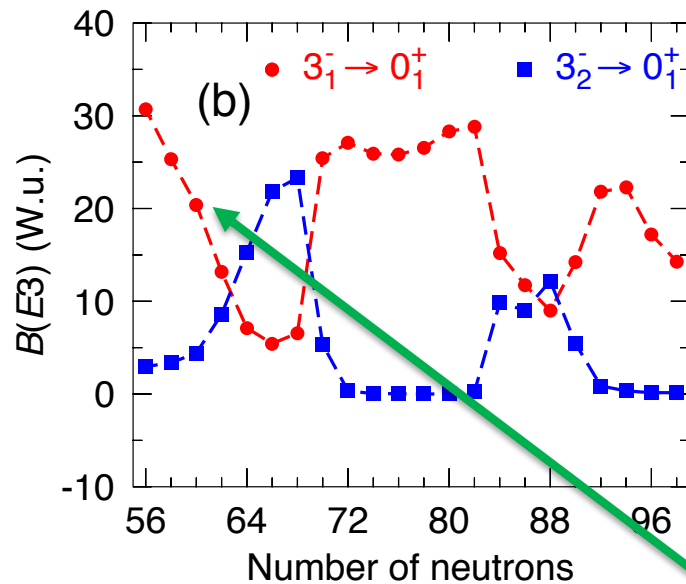


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FIG. 4. Nuclear spherical single-particle levels. The most important octupole couplings are indicated.

Octupole correlations in ^{114}Xe

Symmetry Conserving Configuration Mixing \rightarrow T. Rodriguez



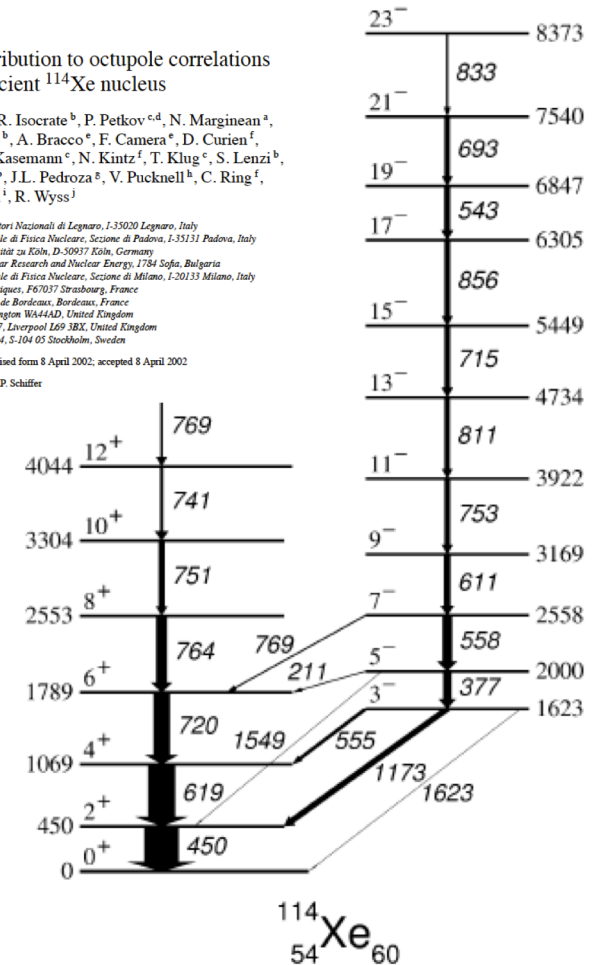
Coherent proton–neutron contribution to octupole correlations in the neutron-deficient ^{114}Xe nucleus

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- Linear polarization
 - Lifetimes
- } $B(E3:3^- \rightarrow 0^+) = 77 \text{ W.u.}$

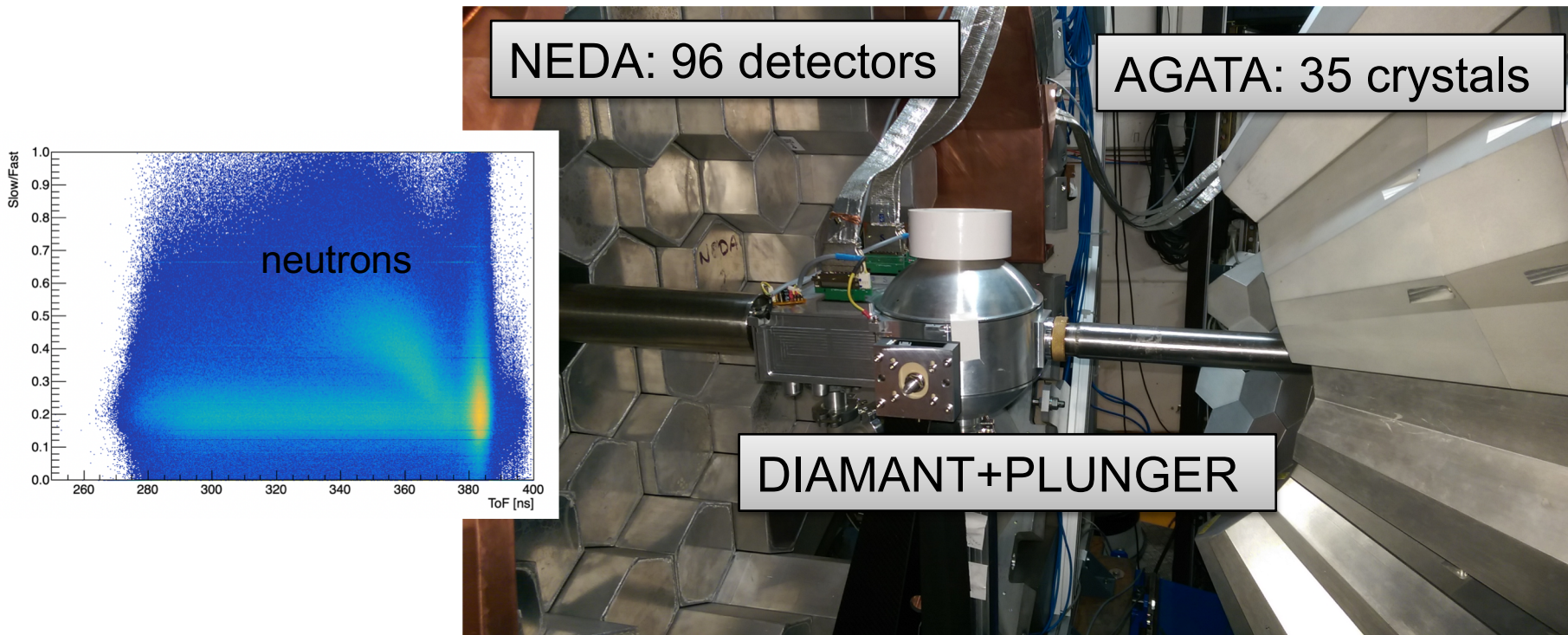
^{114}Xe is not expected to be a static octupole. The large $B(E3)$ might be understood in terms of dynamical coupling of the proton-neutron type $\pi(\nu) d_{5/2} - \nu(\pi) h_{11/2}$

Fig. 2. Partial level scheme for ^{114}Xe . The energies are given in keV. The widths of the arrows are proportional to the relative intensities.

NEDA+AGATA GANIL exp.

Fusion-evaporation reaction $^{58}\text{Ni}(^{58}\text{Ni}, 2n2p)^{112}\text{Xe}$ 250 MeV
Plunger technique for lifetimes

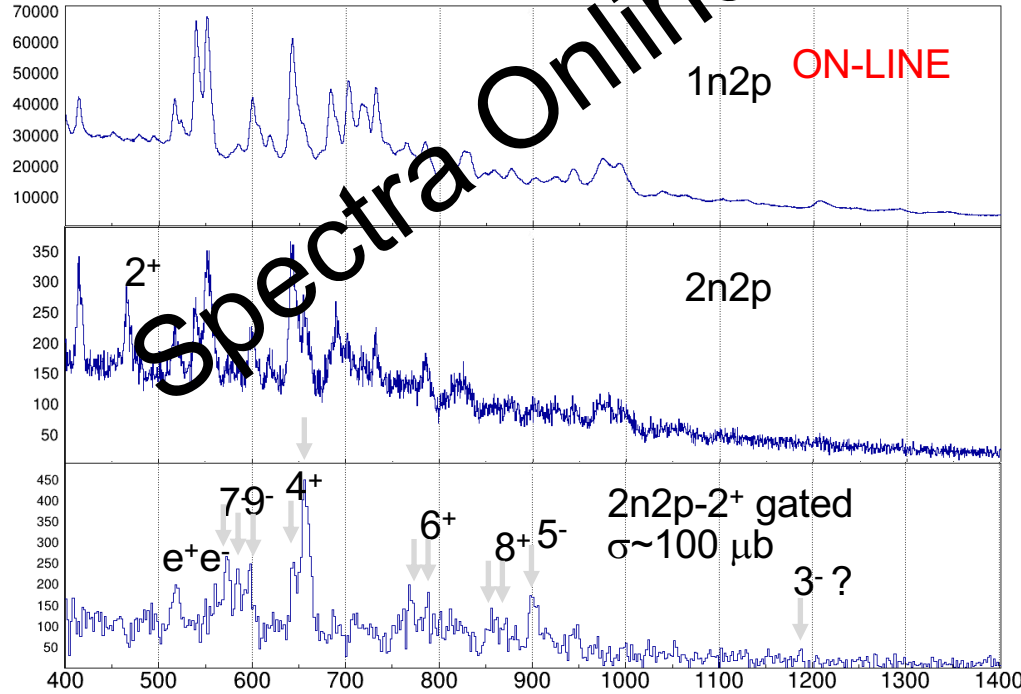
Trigger: at least 1 neutron (PSA) in coincidence with γ -rays is required



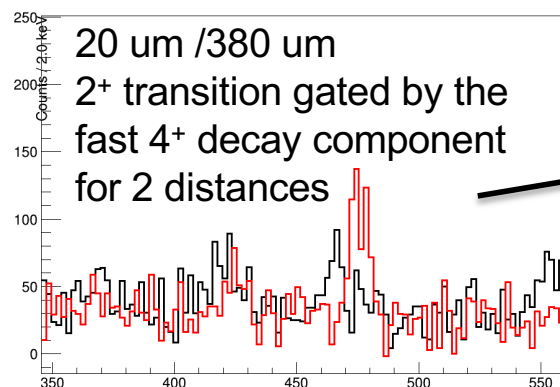
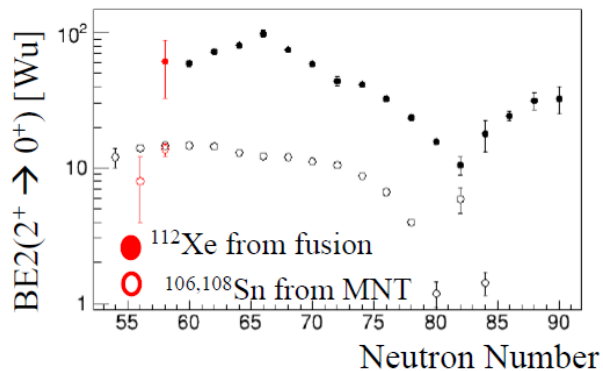
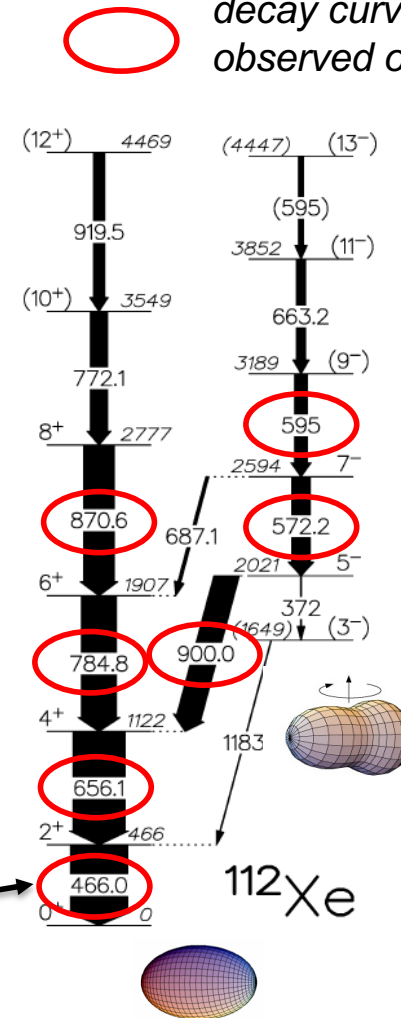
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Lifetimes in ^{112}Xe

Lifetime measurement $^{58}\text{Ni}+^{58}\text{Ni}$ at 256 MeV



Transitions for which a decay curve was observed on-line



Transfer reactions ($^3\text{He},n$)

Broken mirrors: the ^{36}Ca - ^{36}S case

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Mirror Energy Differences

Isospin symmetry Island of inversion

Broken mirror symmetry in ^{36}S and ^{36}Ca

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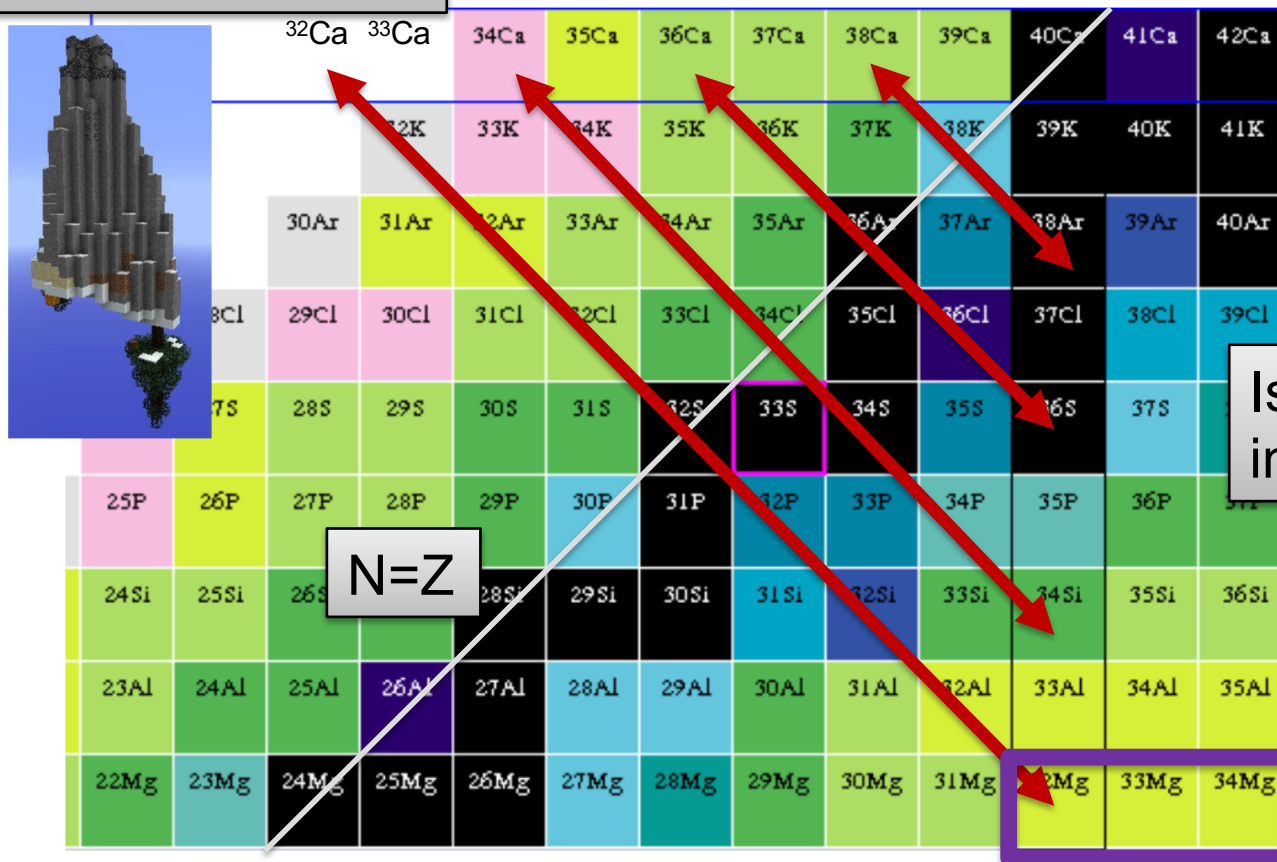
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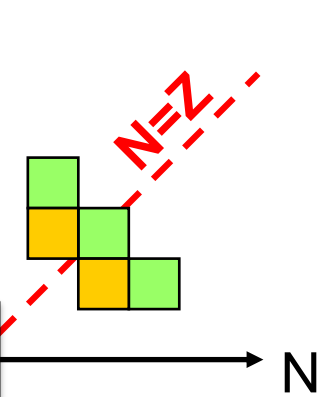
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$$\text{MED}_J = E_{J,Z>} - E_{J,Z<}$$



Island of inversion



LSSM calculations for ^{36}Ca - ^{36}S

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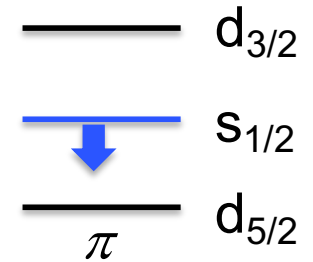
Cross sections for one-neutron knock-out from ^{37}Ca at intermediate energy

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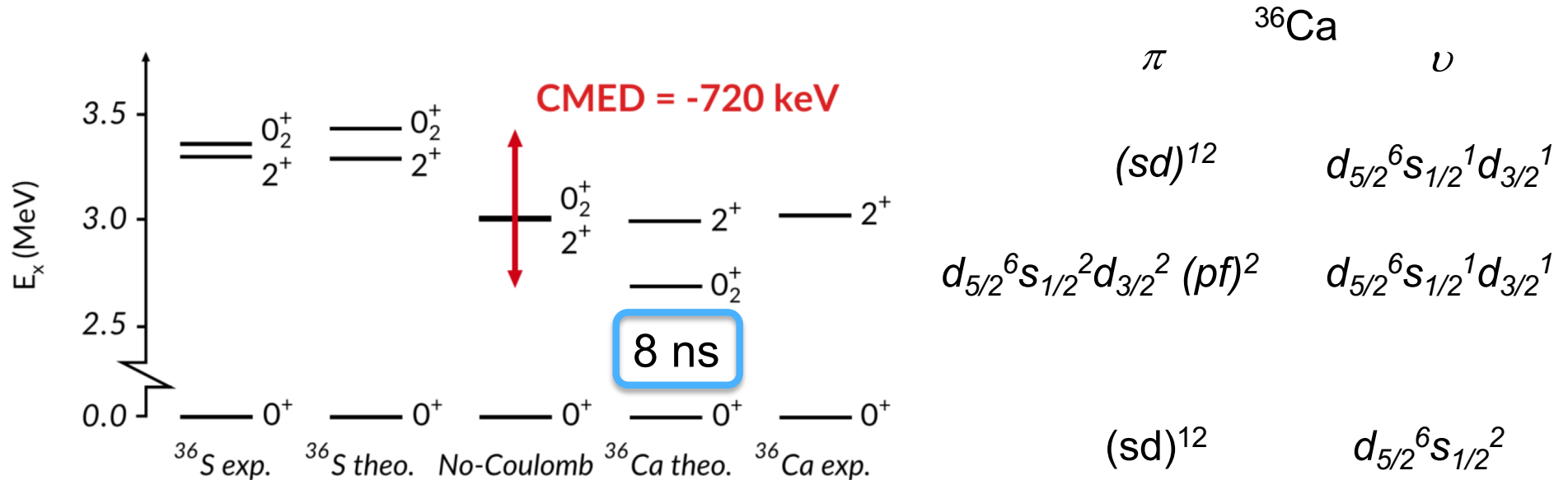
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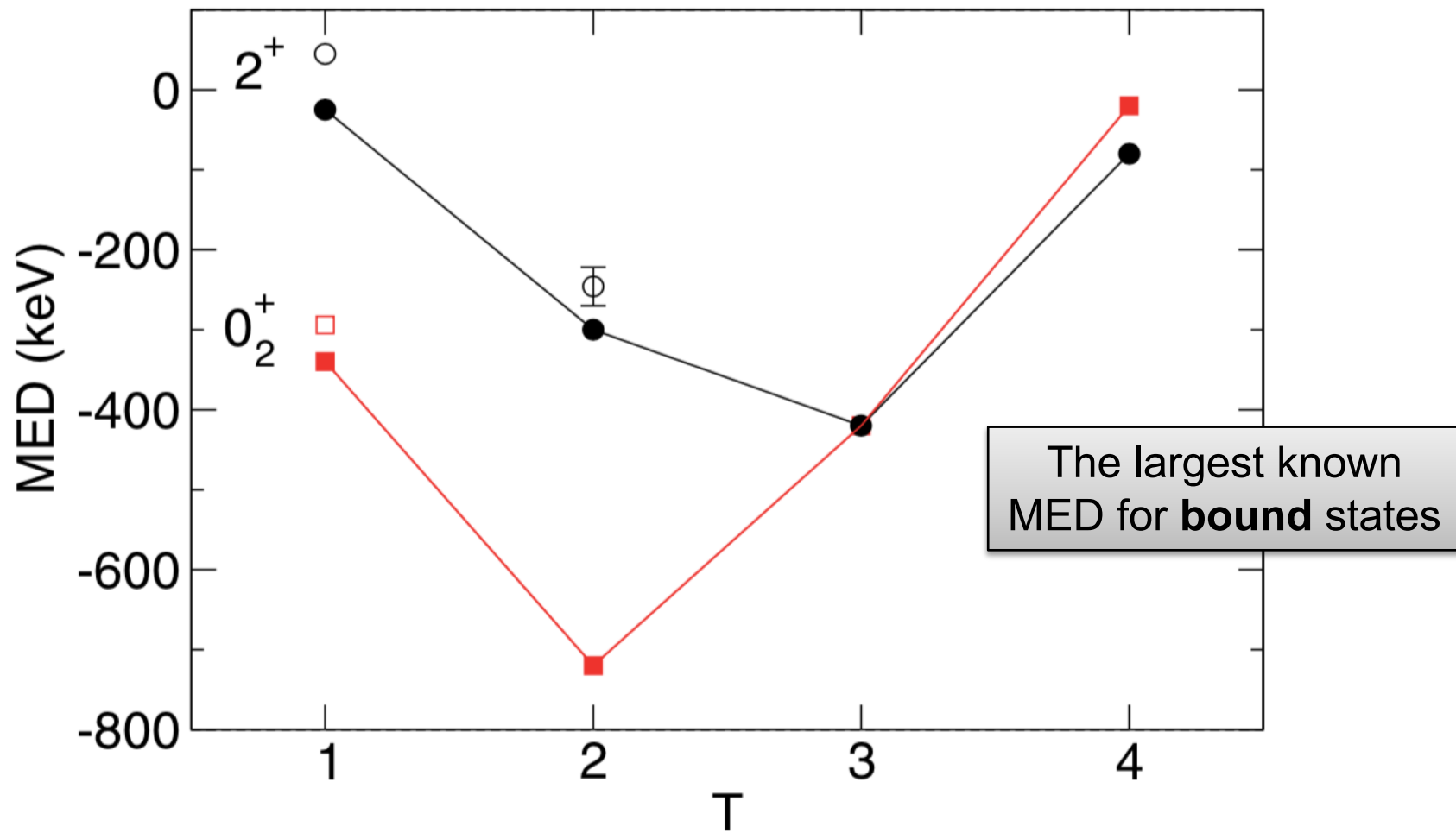
The $T = 2$ mirrors ^{36}Ca and ^{36}S :
A test for isospin symmetry of shell gaps at the driplines

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- Sdpfu-mix interaction: model space $(sdpf)\pi\nu$ and $(sd)\pi\nu$
- two-body matrix elements of the Coulomb potential

Colossal MED in ^{36}Ca - ^{36}S



How to measure the CMED in ^{36}Ca ?

- Populate the 0_2^+ via $^{34}\text{Ar} (^3\text{He},n) ^{36}\text{Ca}$ 5 MeV.A
- Measure the $0^+ \rightarrow 0^+$ transition internal pair production e^+e^- .
- $E_{e^+e^-} = 2700 - 1022 \sim 1700$ keV (DIAMANT to measure)
- Solid ^3He target (patent)
- Exp. apparatus: AGATA/EXOGAM2, DIAMANT, NEDA

Low gas consumption fabrication and testing of novel solid ^3He targets for Nuclear Reactions
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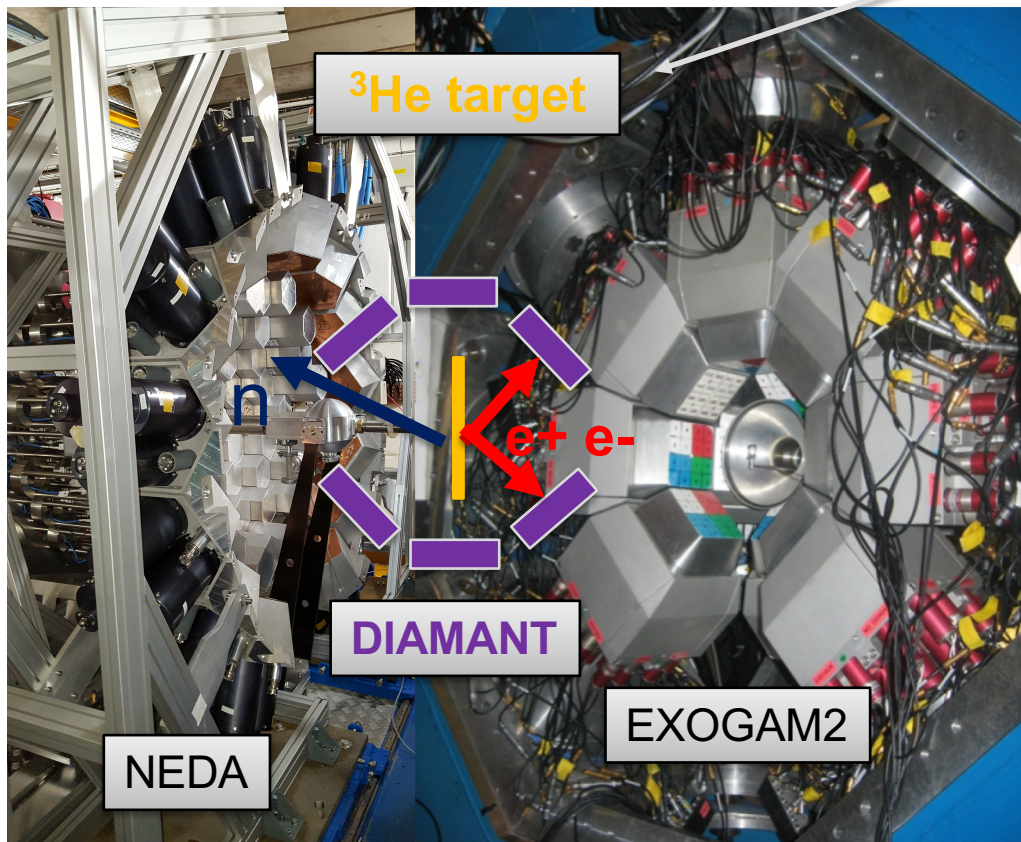
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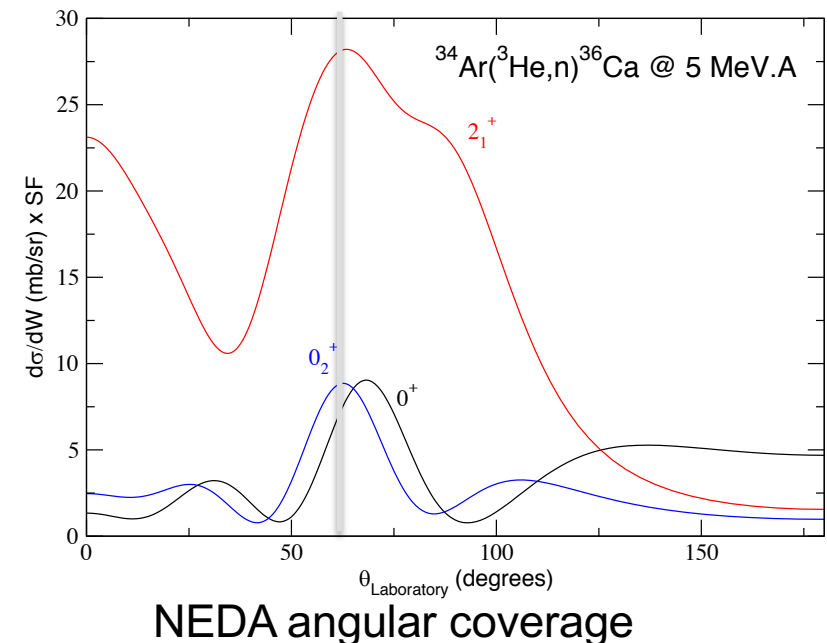
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^3He target



DWBA calculations (Twofnr) – One step process – Abs value for evaluation normalized to $^{36}\text{Ar} (^3\text{He},n) ^{38}\text{Ca}$



NEDA angular coverage

Summary

- NEDA has been designed to be a multiplicity filter for fast neutrons from fusion-evaporation reactions, but not only ...
- First campaign physics with NEDA+AGATA+DIAMANT finished in July 2018 (~44 days beam) → Fusion evaporation reactions
 - ^{112}Xe lifetimes to study quadrupole and octupole degrees of freedom
- NEDA will open new possibilities with transfer reactions where the emitted particle is a neutron. One case could be the study of the CMED in ^{36}Ca . There are other cases such as: $^{22}\text{Mg} (^3\text{He},n) ^{24}\text{Si} - ^{78}\text{Sr}$
 $(^3\text{He},n) ^{80}\text{Zr}$

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