

**Исследование запаздывающего деления  
и сосуществования форм  
в ядрах таллия, астата и золота  
(ISOLDE, CERN)**

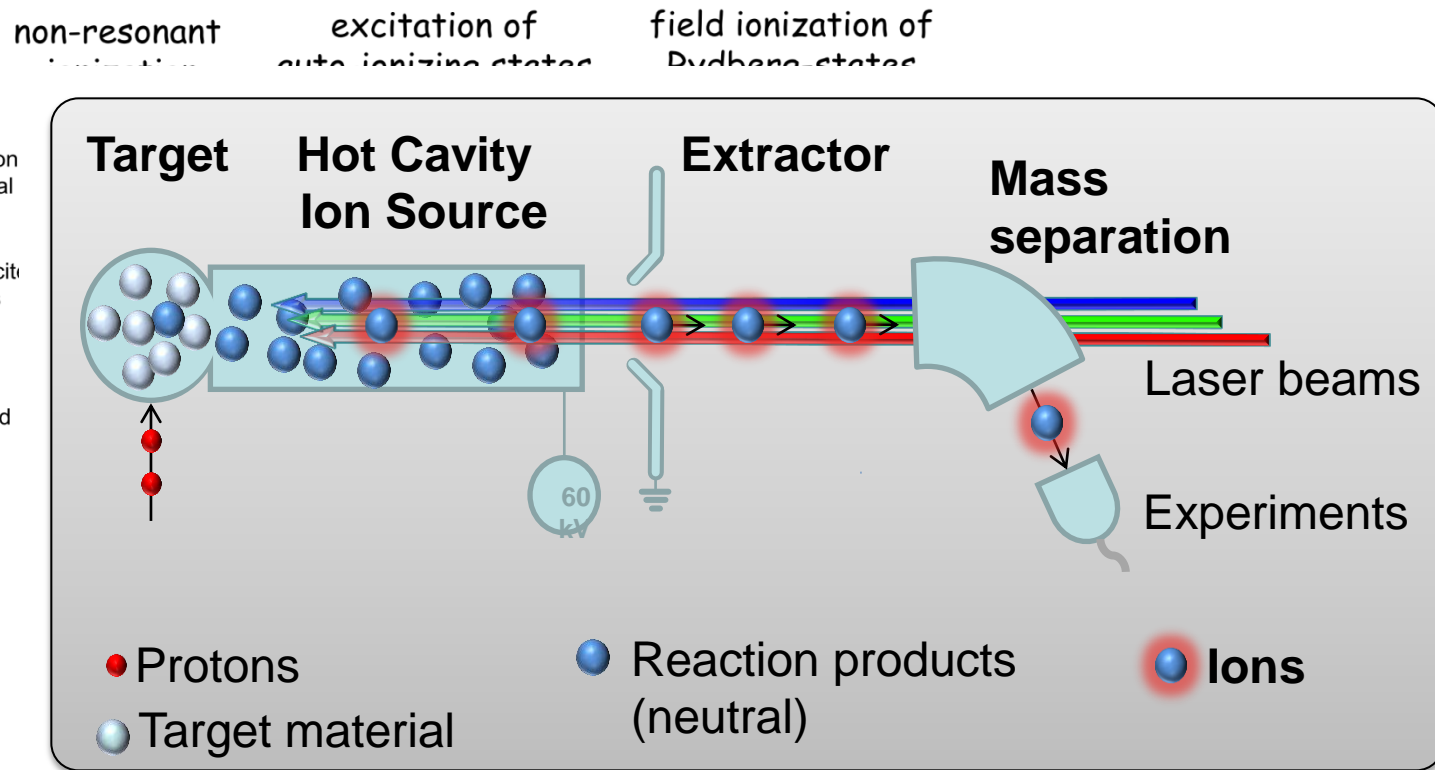
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# ISOLDE

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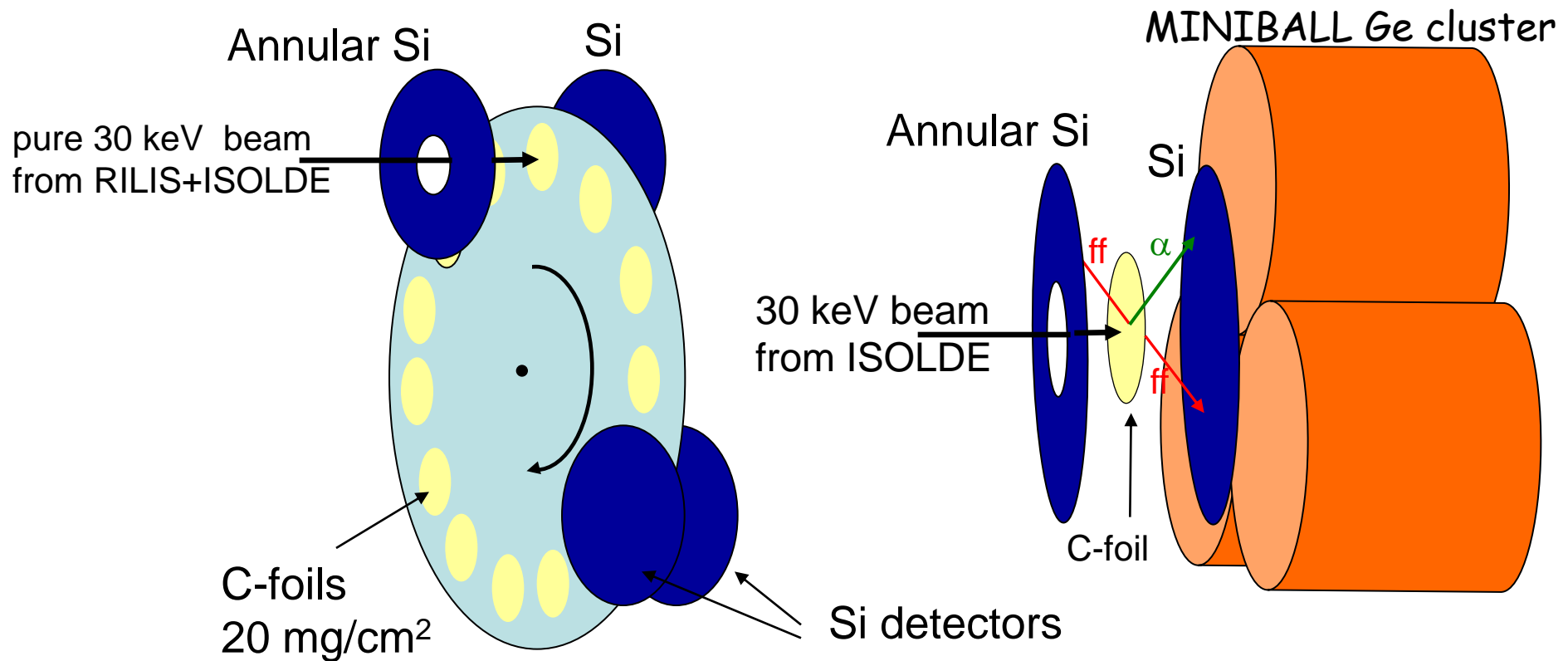
# Laser Ion Source at ISOLDE



- Scanning the laser frequency of the first/second step of the selective ionisation scheme for a particular isotope (or an isomer)
- Isotope shift (IS), hyperfine structure (HFS) measurements
- Measuring FC current,  $\alpha/\gamma$  or ToF spectra while scanning the frequency

# Windmill System at ISOLDE

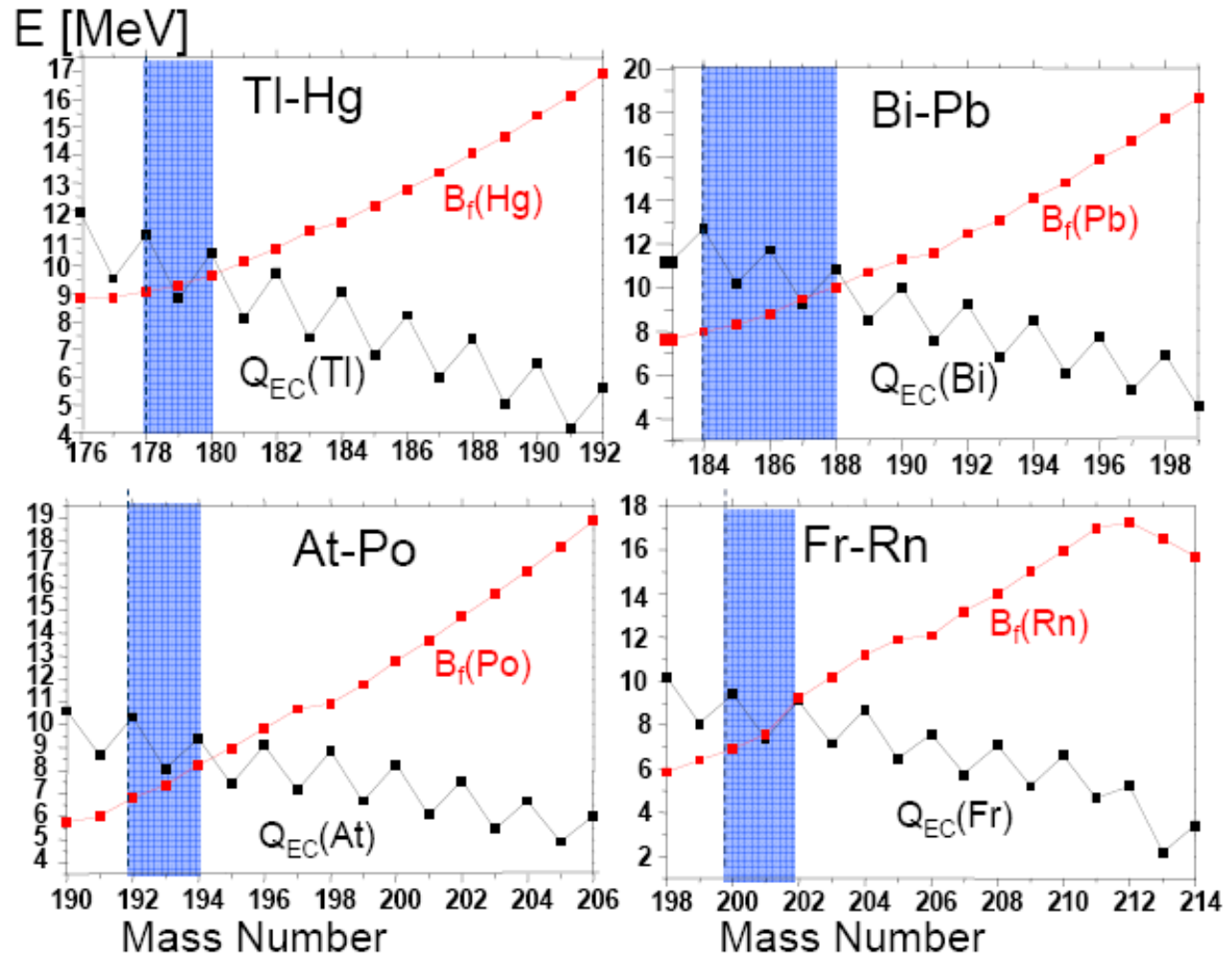
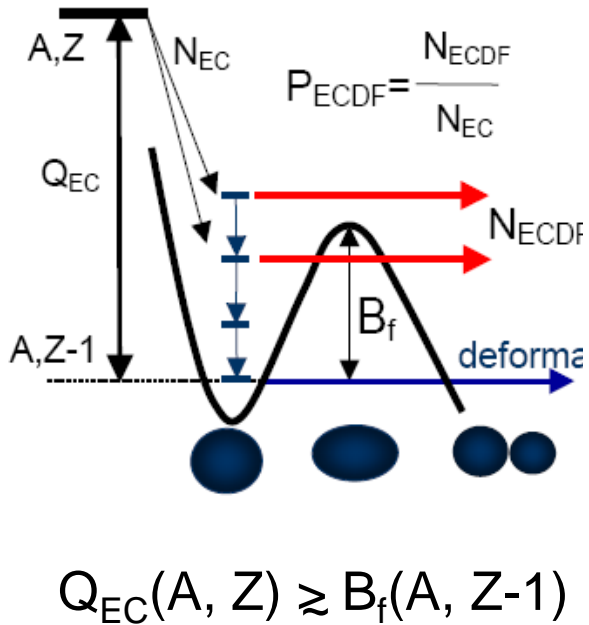
A. Andreyev et al., PRL 105, 252502 (2010)



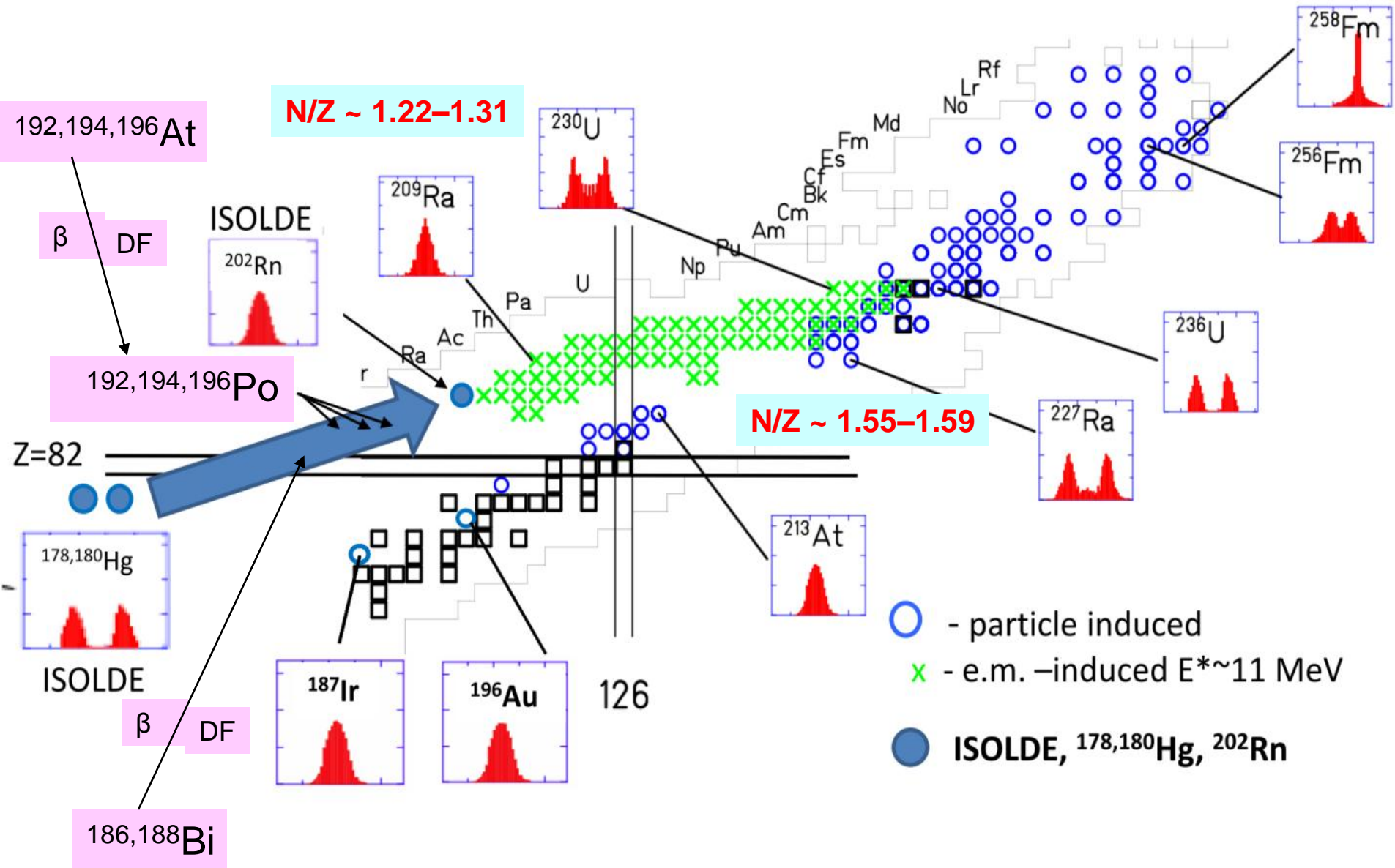
## **Setup: Si detectors from both sides of the C-foil**

- Large geometrical efficiency (up to 80%)
- 2 fold fission fragment coincidences
- ff- $\gamma$ ,  $\gamma$ - $\alpha$ ,  $\gamma$ - $\gamma$ , etc coincidences

# Beta-Delayed Fission



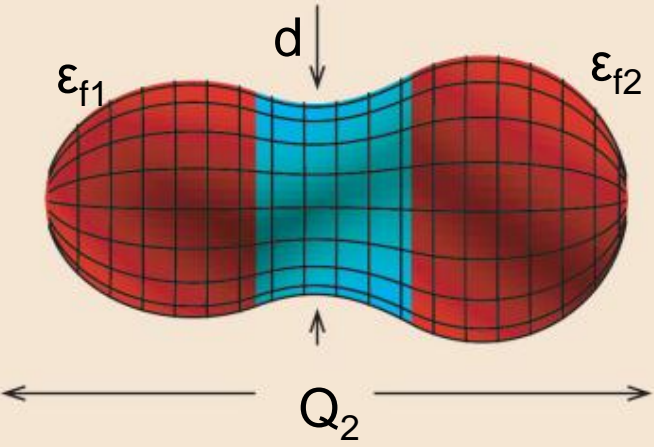
# Beta-Delayed Fission



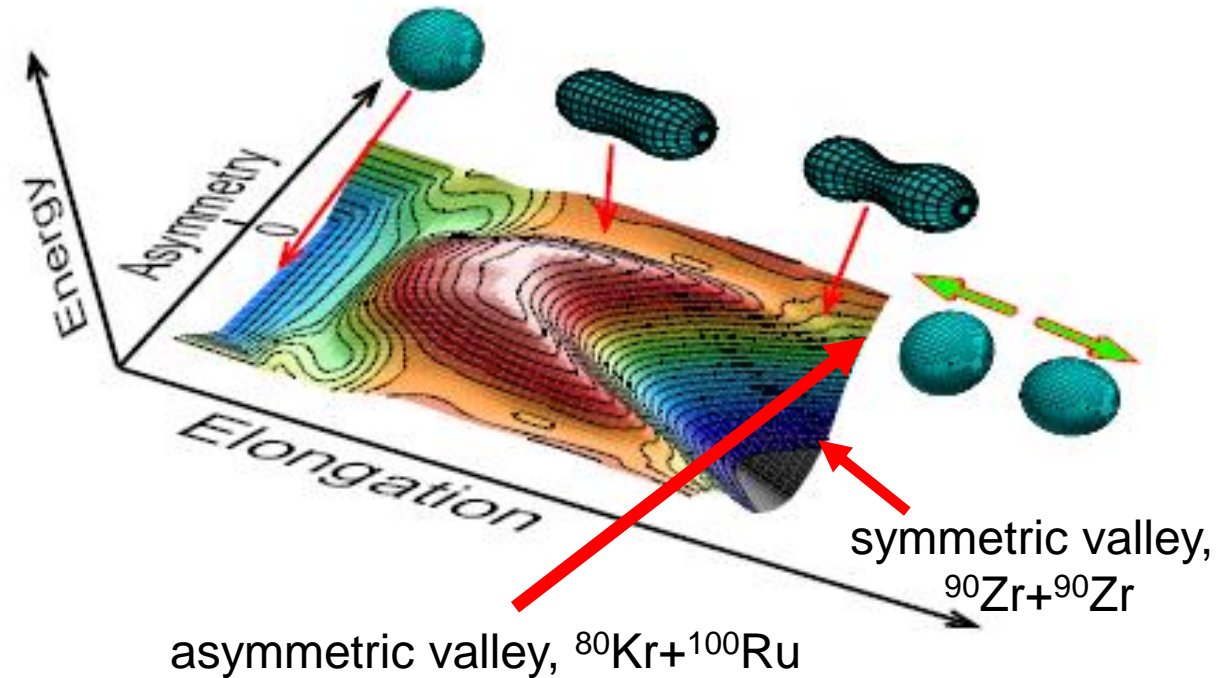
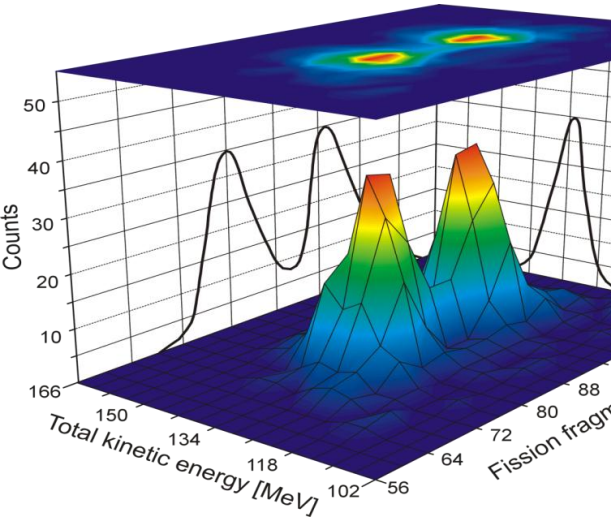


# Five Essential Fission Shape Coordinates

- $Q_2$  ~ Elongation (fission direction)
- $\alpha_g$  ~ Mass asymmetry  $(M1-M2)/(M1+M2)$
- $\epsilon_{f1}$  ~ Left fragment deformation
- $\epsilon_{f2}$  ~ Right fragment deformation
- $d$  ~ Neck



## P. Möller's calculations (2D projection of the total 5D picture):

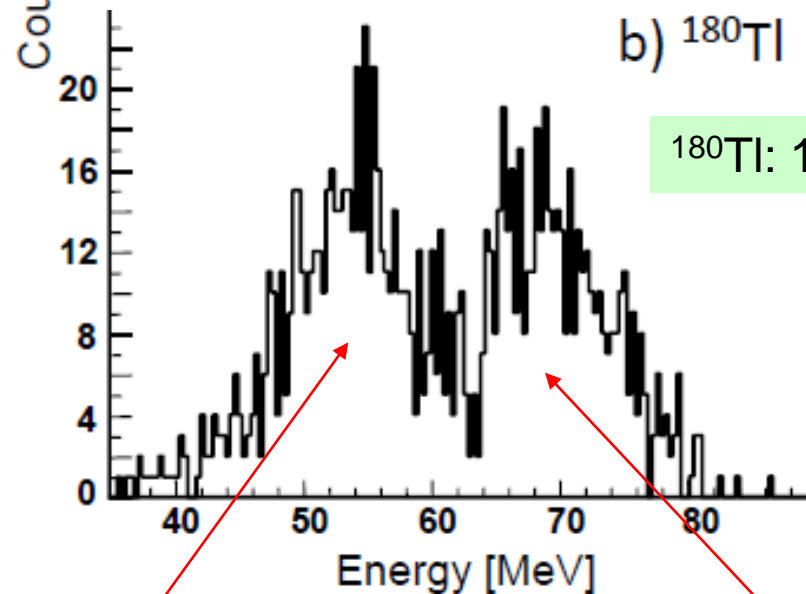


# Fragment mass distribution in $\beta$ DF of Tl isotopes

experiment

ions/ $\mu$ C/s, 8 fission events

$P_{\beta DF} (^{178}\text{Tl}) = 0.15(6)\%$



$P_{\beta DF} (^{180}\text{Tl}) = 3.2(2) \times 10^{-3}\%$

corresponds to  $A=80(1)$

FWHM  $\approx 9$  amu

$A=100(1)$

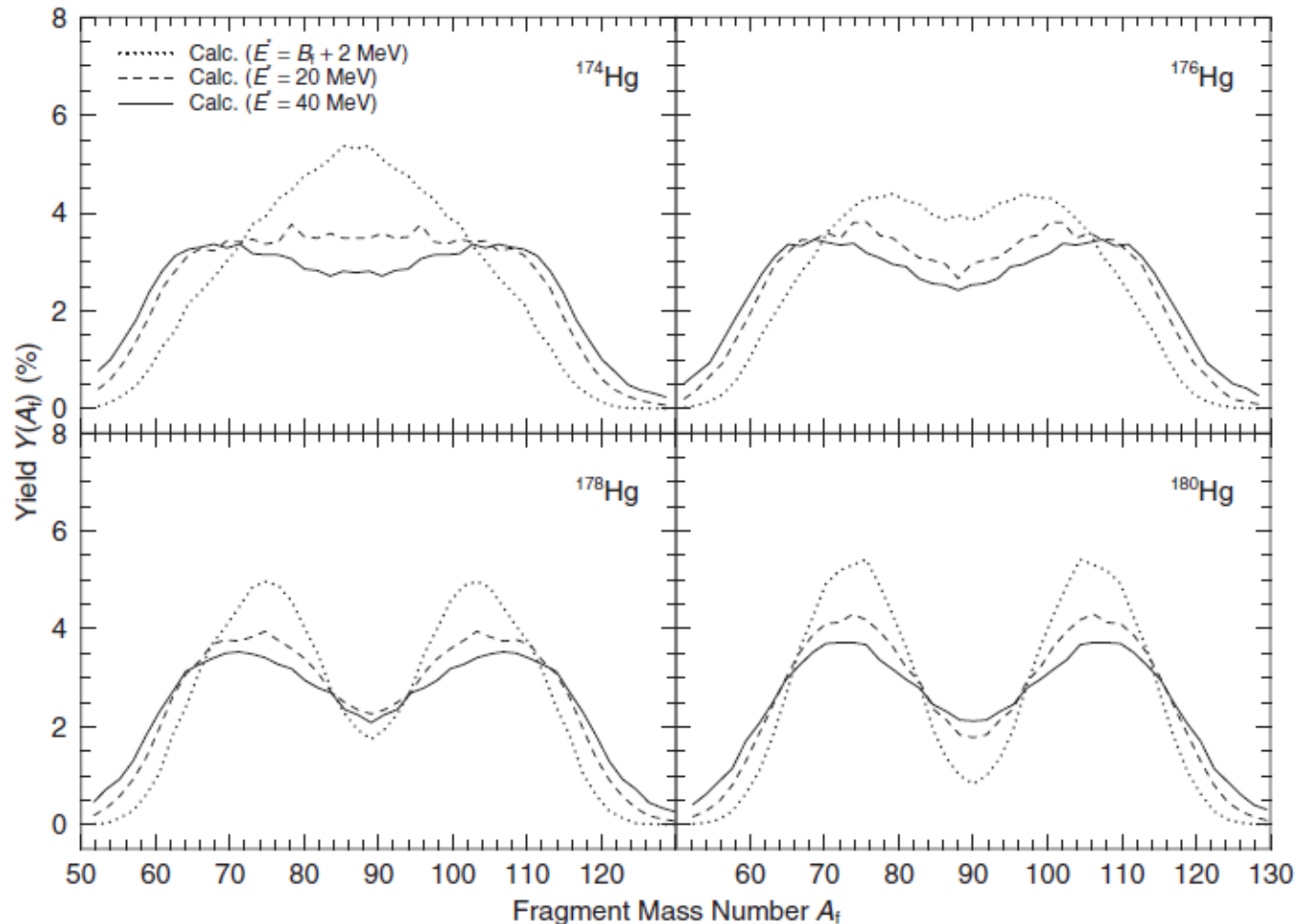


# Fragment mass distribution in $\beta$ DF of Tl isotopes

calculations

Model: BSM(M)

Brownian shape motion on five-dimensional (5D) potential energy surfaces in Metropolis random-walk approximation



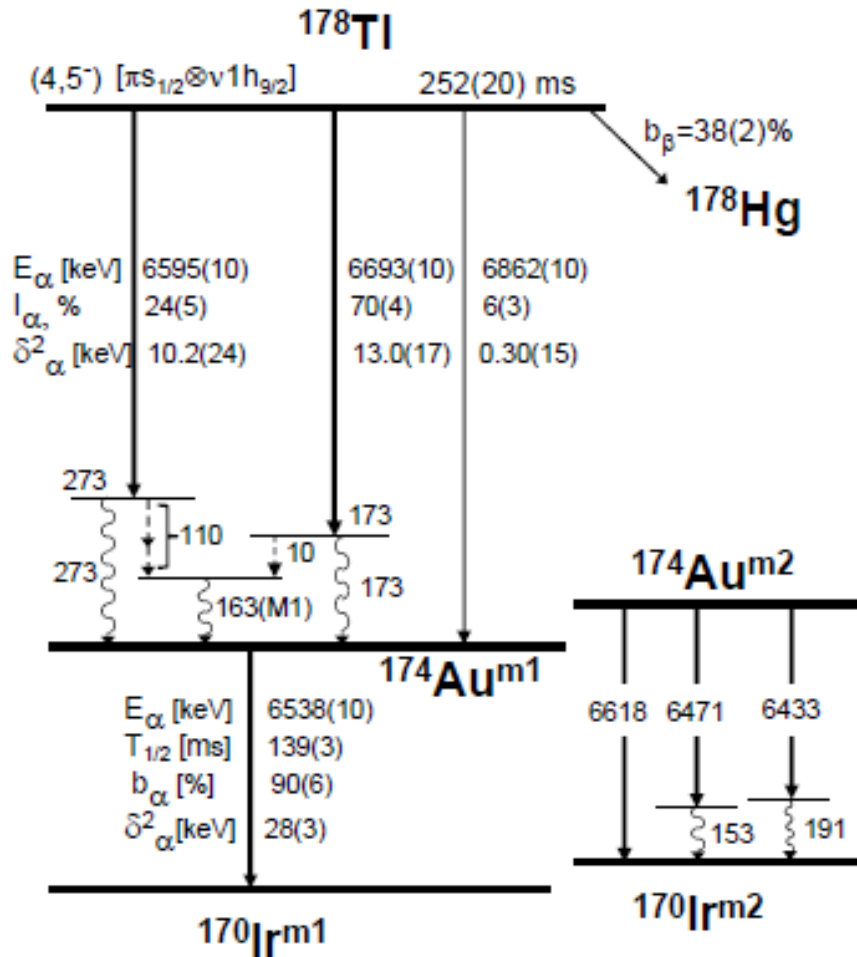
Calculated yields for four Hg isotopes at three excitation energies. For the lighter isotopes the yields become more symmetric with decreasing energy, an unusual behavior.

# Fission barriers for Hg isotopes

	$B_f$ , exp (model), MeV	$B_f$ , theor MeV
$^{180}\text{Hg}$	7.5(1.5)	9.8
$^{178}\text{Hg}$	~ 7	9.3

$P_{\beta DF} (^{180}\text{Tl})_{\text{theor}} = 2 \times 10^{-6}\%$  to be compared with  
the experimental value  $3.2(2) \times 10^{-3}\%$

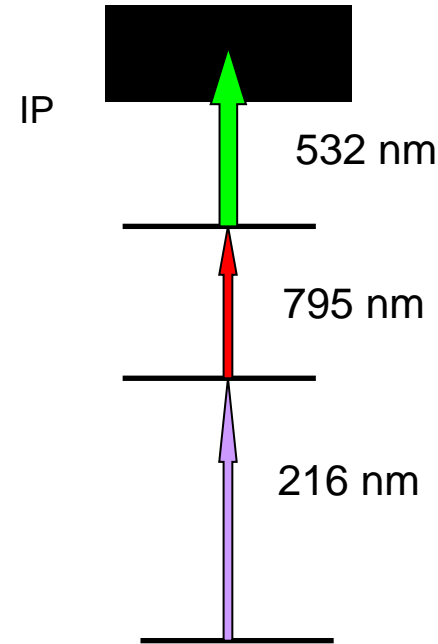
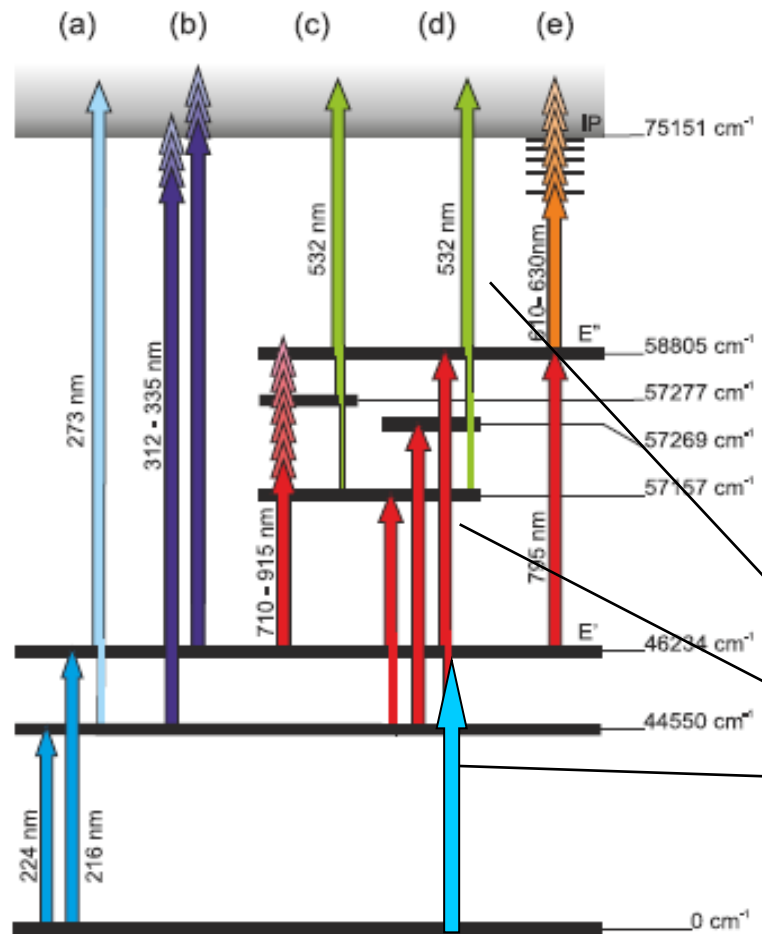
# Nuclear spectroscopic information for $^{178}\text{Tl}$



# Development and use of laser-ionized At beams at ISOLDE

- **Determination of optical lines and efficient photoionization scheme. First measurement of the ionization potential of the element At**
- **Beta delayed fission of  $^{194,196}\text{At}$**
- **Charge radii measurement for At isotopes**

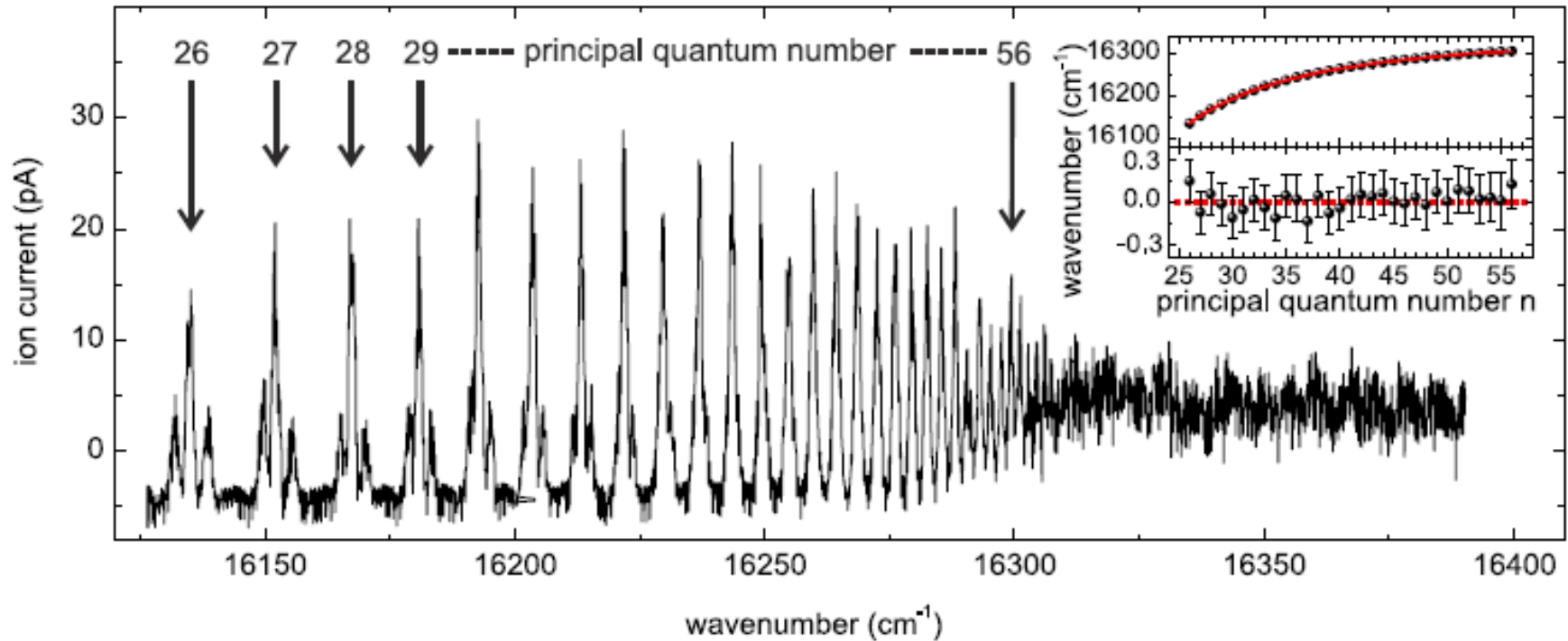
# Photoionization scheme for the radioactive element At



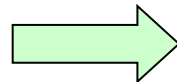
Optimal photoionization scheme.  
Narrow band lasers for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> transitions

(a) Verification of the two transitions from the ground state at  $\lambda_1 = 216$  nm and 224 nm. (b) Ionization threshold: Scan of the ionizing laser wavelength  $\lambda_2$ . (c) Development of a three-color scheme: Scan of  $\lambda_2$  in the infra-red region for second excited states starting with  $\lambda_1 = 216$  nm first step. (d) Verification of the levels found by exciting via the  $\lambda_1 = 224$  nm first step. (e) Rydberg series: A wavelength scan of the ionizing laser ( $\lambda_3$ ) in the visible range using the {216, 795,  $\lambda_3$ } excitation path.

# Precise determination of the Ionization Potential for the radioactive element At



$$v_n = IP - E_2 - \frac{R_M}{(n - \delta)^2}$$



$$IP(\text{At}) = 9.317510(84) \text{ eV}$$

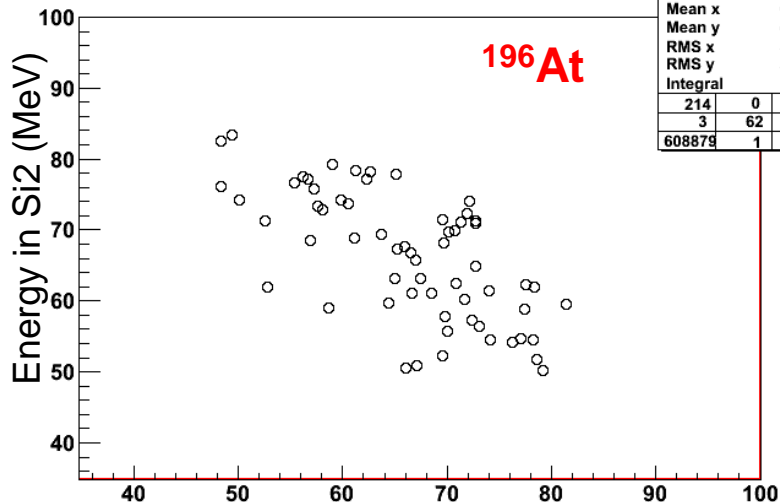


# IS534, 9-14 May 2012: Mass Distributions Measurements for $\beta$ DF of $^{194,196}\text{At}$

196At coinc Fission events

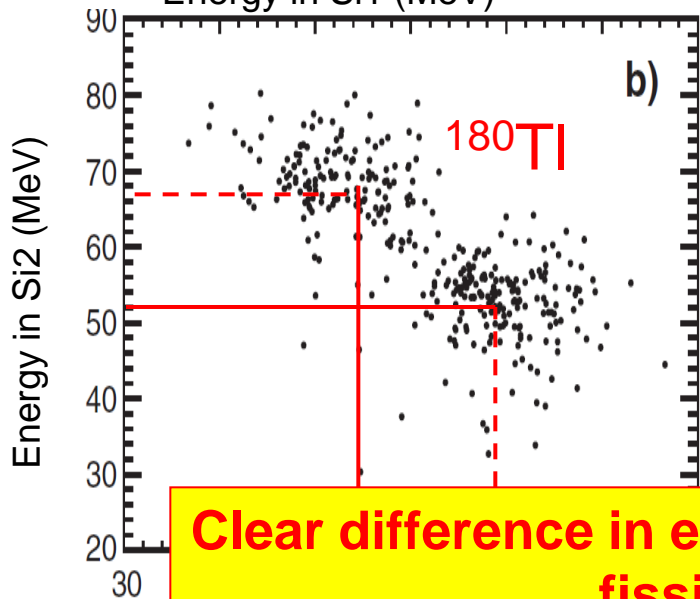
At196coincidences

Entries	609160	
Mean x	66.24	
Mean y	66.39	
RMS x	8.372	
RMS y	8.842	
Integral	62	
214	0	0
3	62	0
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Two isomers (~40 and 250 ms) were reported in  $^{194}\text{At}$ . Therefore, to obtain true mass distribution and  $P_{\beta DF}$  isomer selectivity is needed

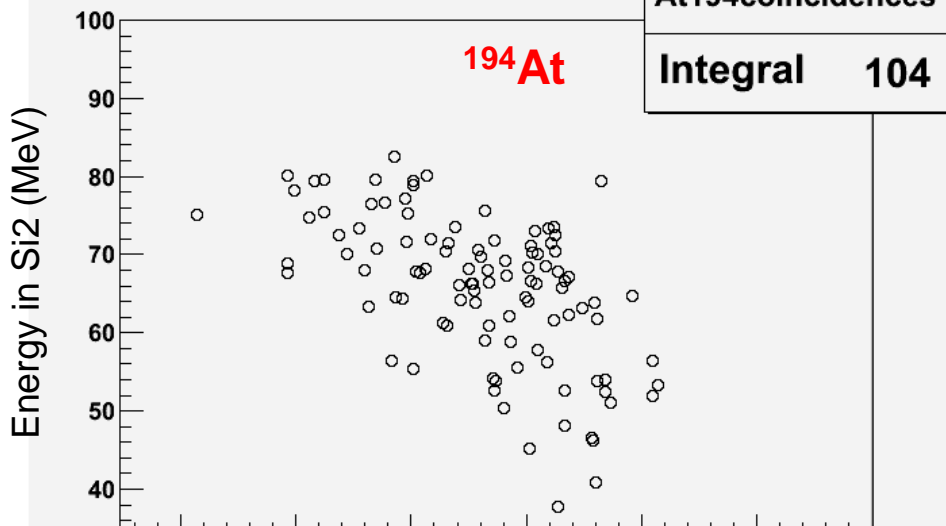
Energy in Si1 (MeV)



194At coinc Fission events

At194coincidences

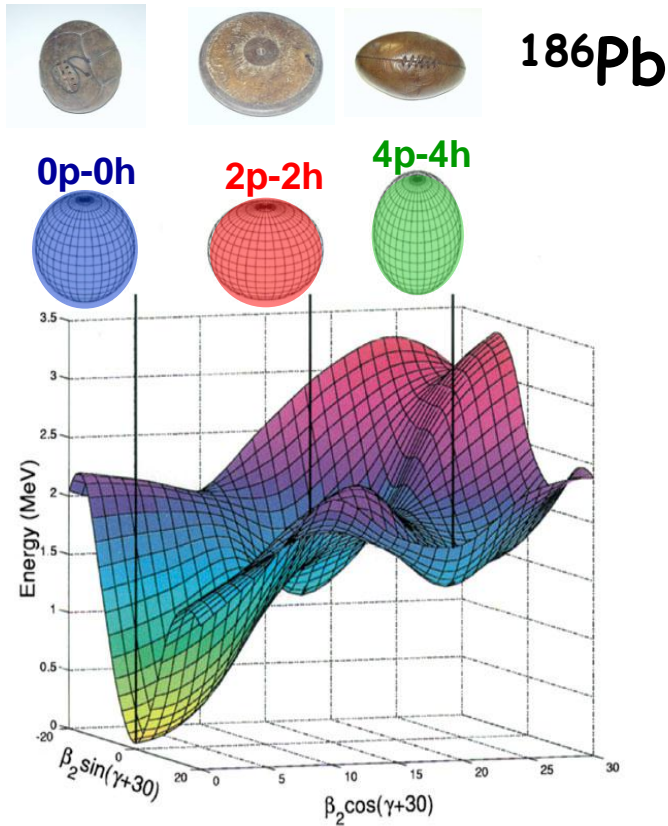
Integral 104



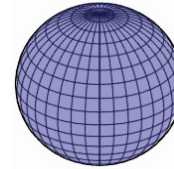
**Clear difference in energy (thus, mass) distribution between fission of  $^{180}\text{Hg}$  and  $^{194,196}\text{Po}$**

Energy in Si1 (MeV)

# Shape Coexistence in the Pb region

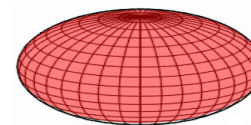


•Pb (Z=82) g.s.:  $\pi(0p-0h)$  – spherical

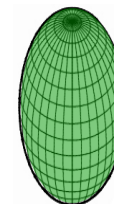


**Proton pair excitations** across Z=82 shell gap (neutrons are spectators):

•1 pair excitation:  $\pi(2p-2h)$  -oblate



•2 pair excitation:  $\pi(4p-4h)$  -prolate

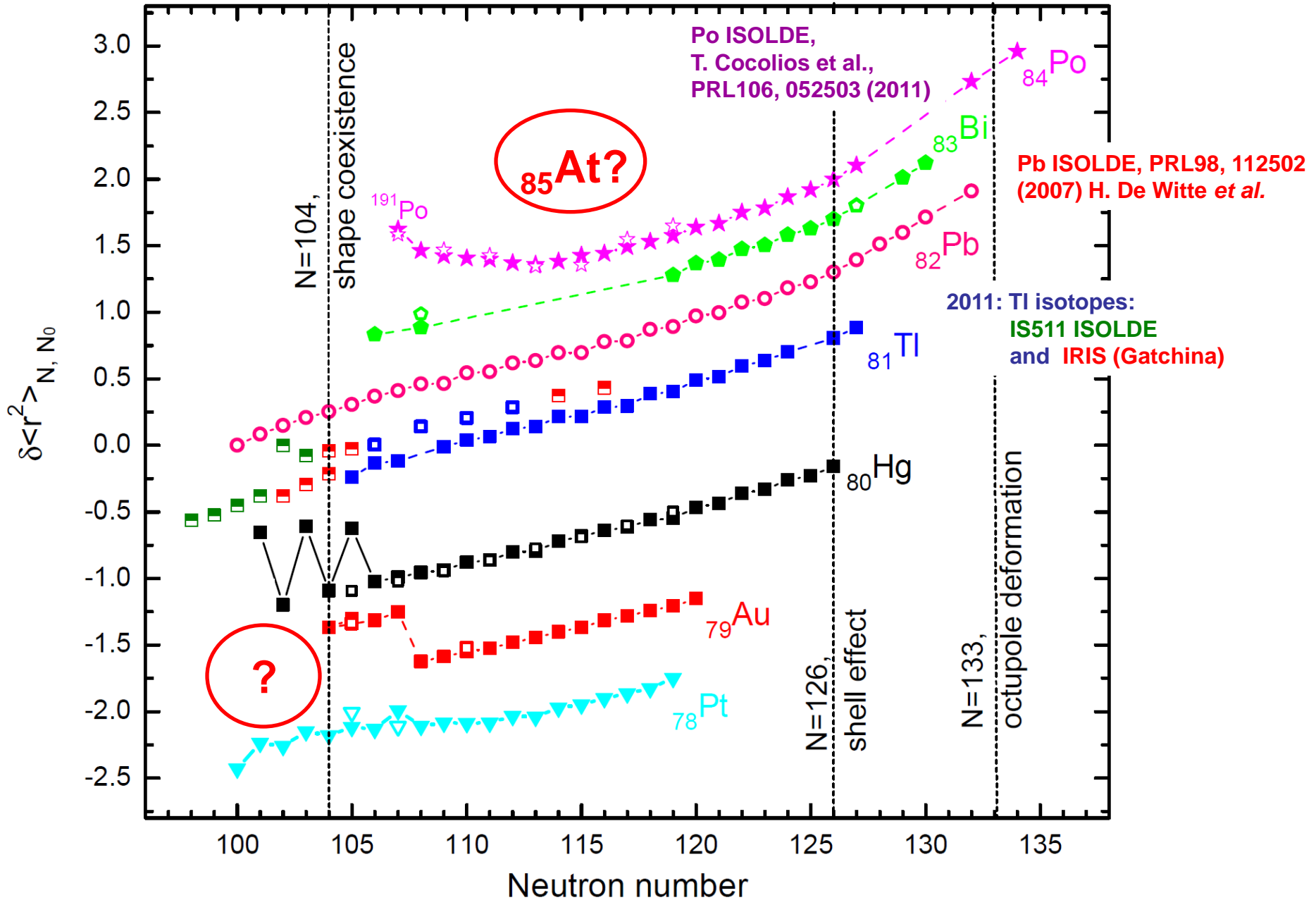


Potential Energy Surface for  $^{186}\text{Pb}$

A.Andreyev et al. Nature, 405, 430 (2000)

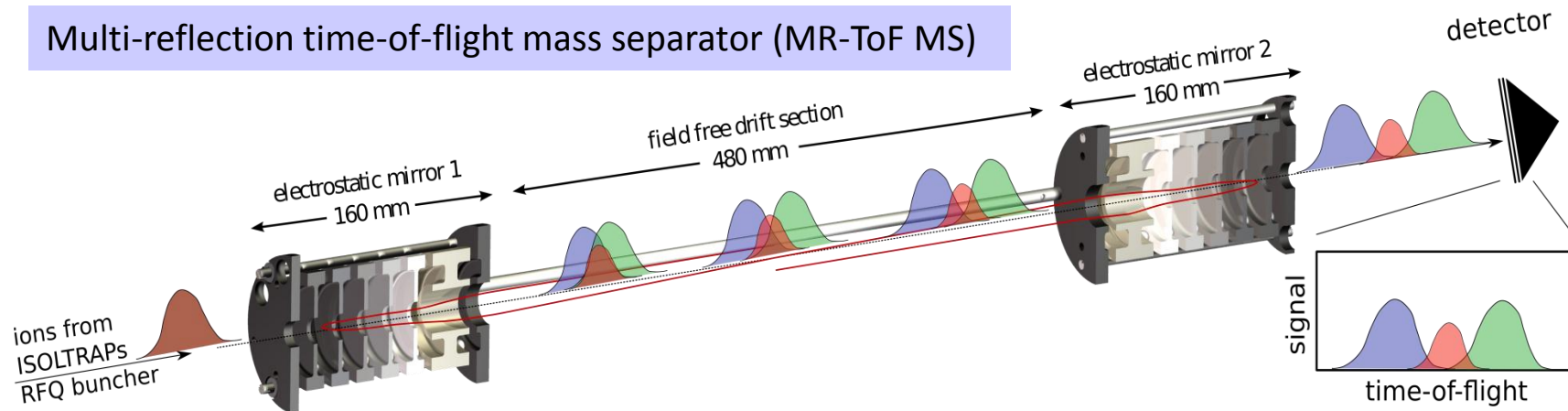
K. Heyde et al., Phys. Rep. 102 (1983) 291  
 J.L. Wood et al., Phys. Rep. 215 (1992) 101  
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 K. Heyde and J. Wood, Review of Modern Physics, 2012

# Pre-2012: Charge Radii in Au-Po isotopes

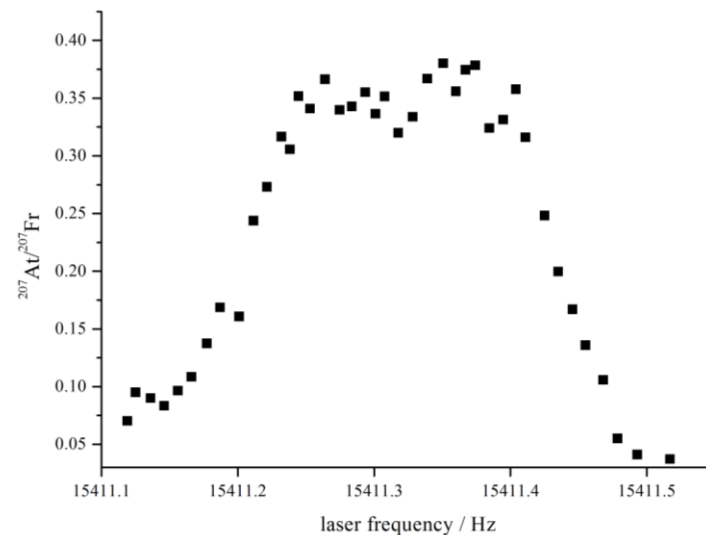
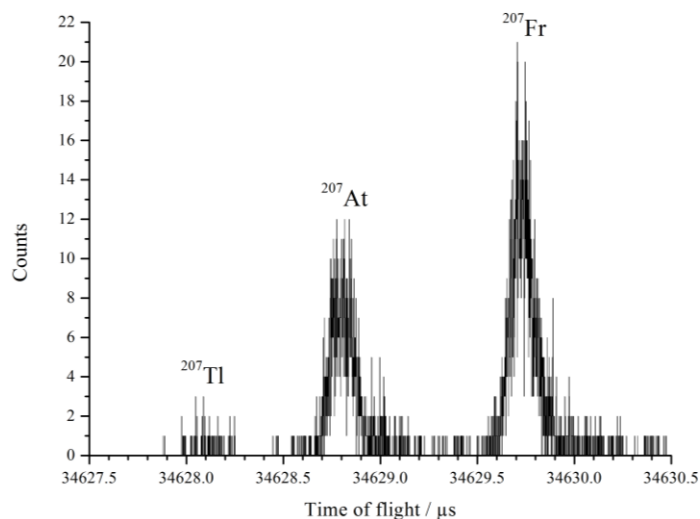


# In-Source Spectroscopy with MR-ToF MS

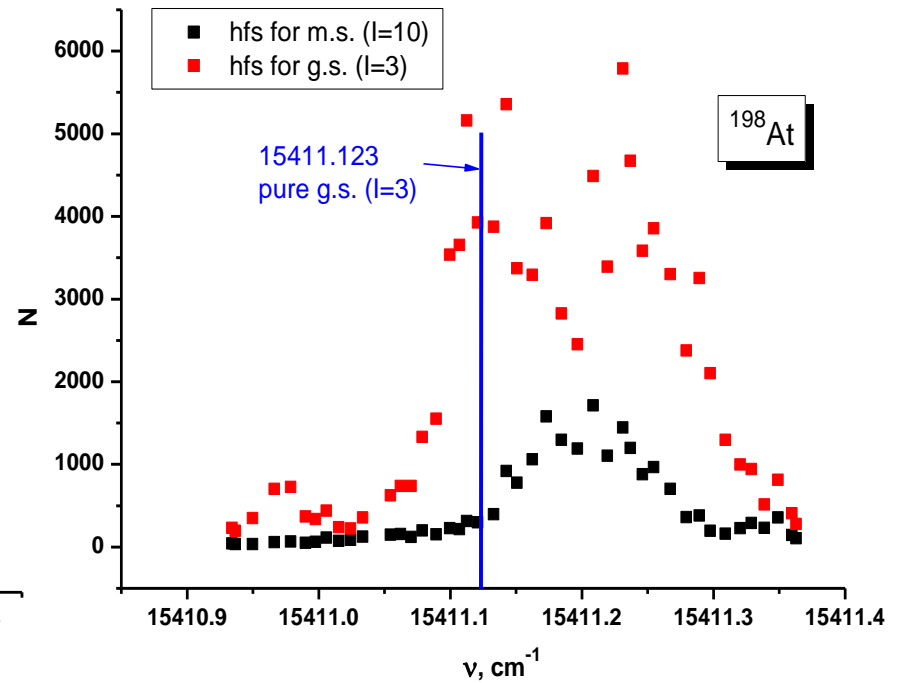
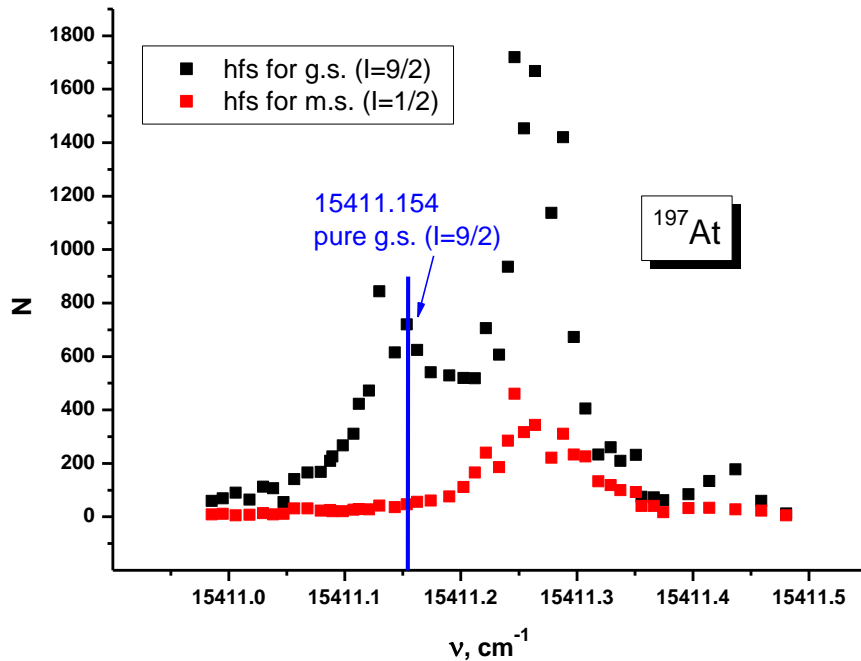
## Multi-reflection time-of-flight mass separator (MR-ToF MS)



~1000 revolutions, ~35 ms,  $m/\Delta m \sim 10^5$

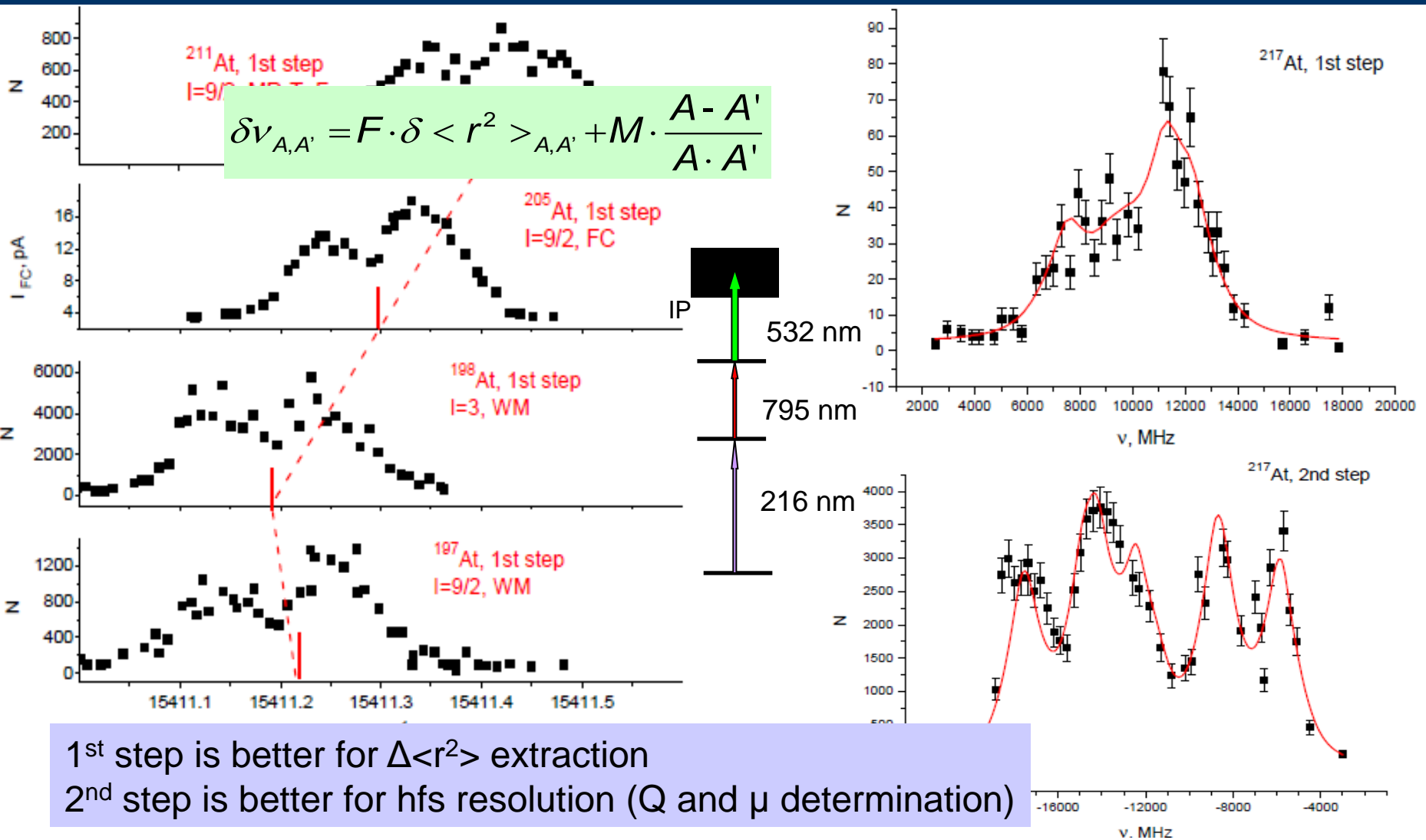


# Isomer selectivity for $^{197,198}\text{At}$



Isomer selectivity enable us to measure masses of  $^{197g,198g}\text{At}$  and receive nuclear spectroscopic information for pure g.s.

# Astatine HFS spectra

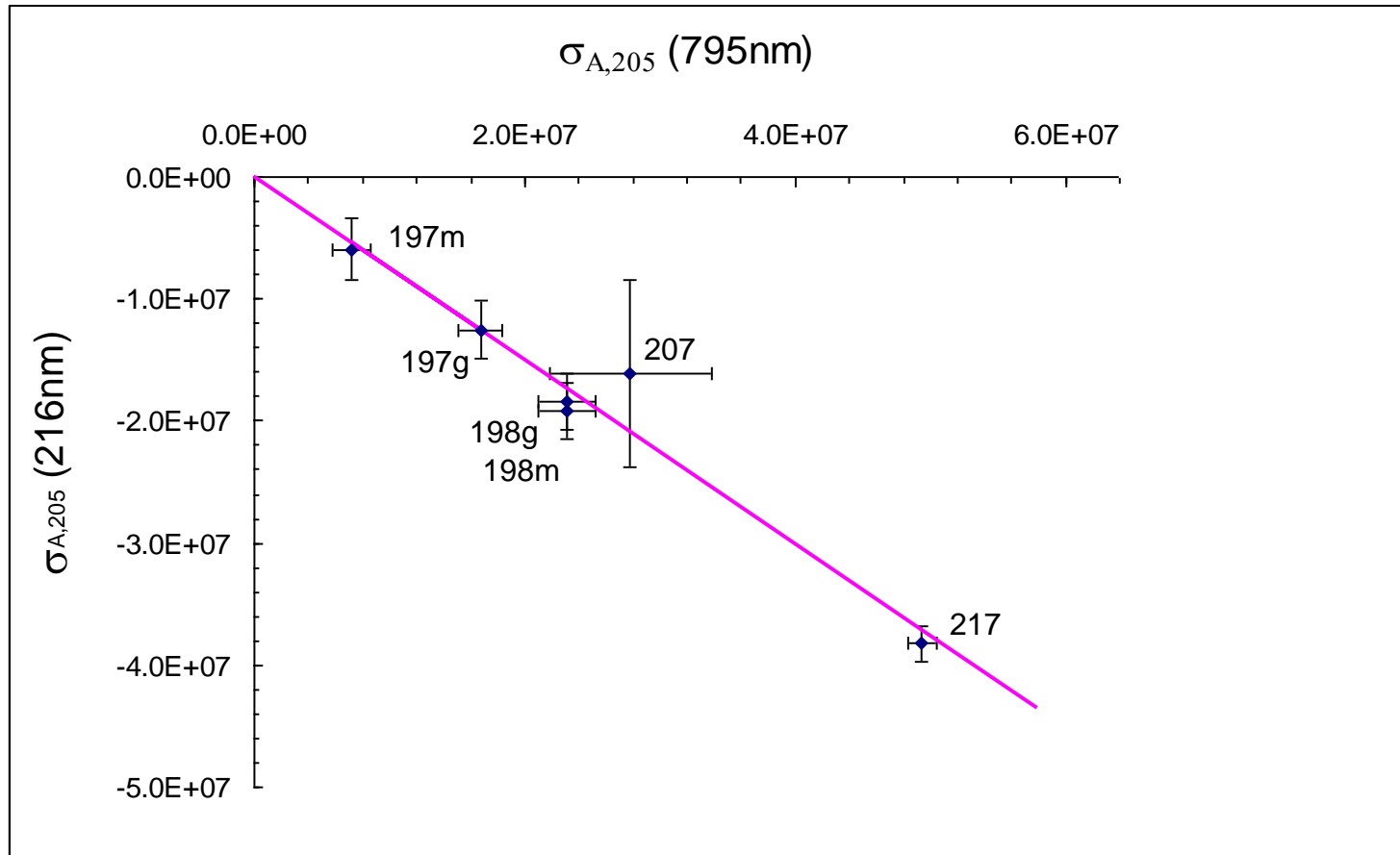


1<sup>st</sup> step is better for  $\Delta \langle r^2 \rangle$  extraction

2<sup>nd</sup> step is better for hfs resolution (Q and  $\mu$  determination)

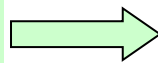


# King plot for 216 nm and 795 nm lines in At



Isotope shift  $\delta \nu_{A,A'}$ :

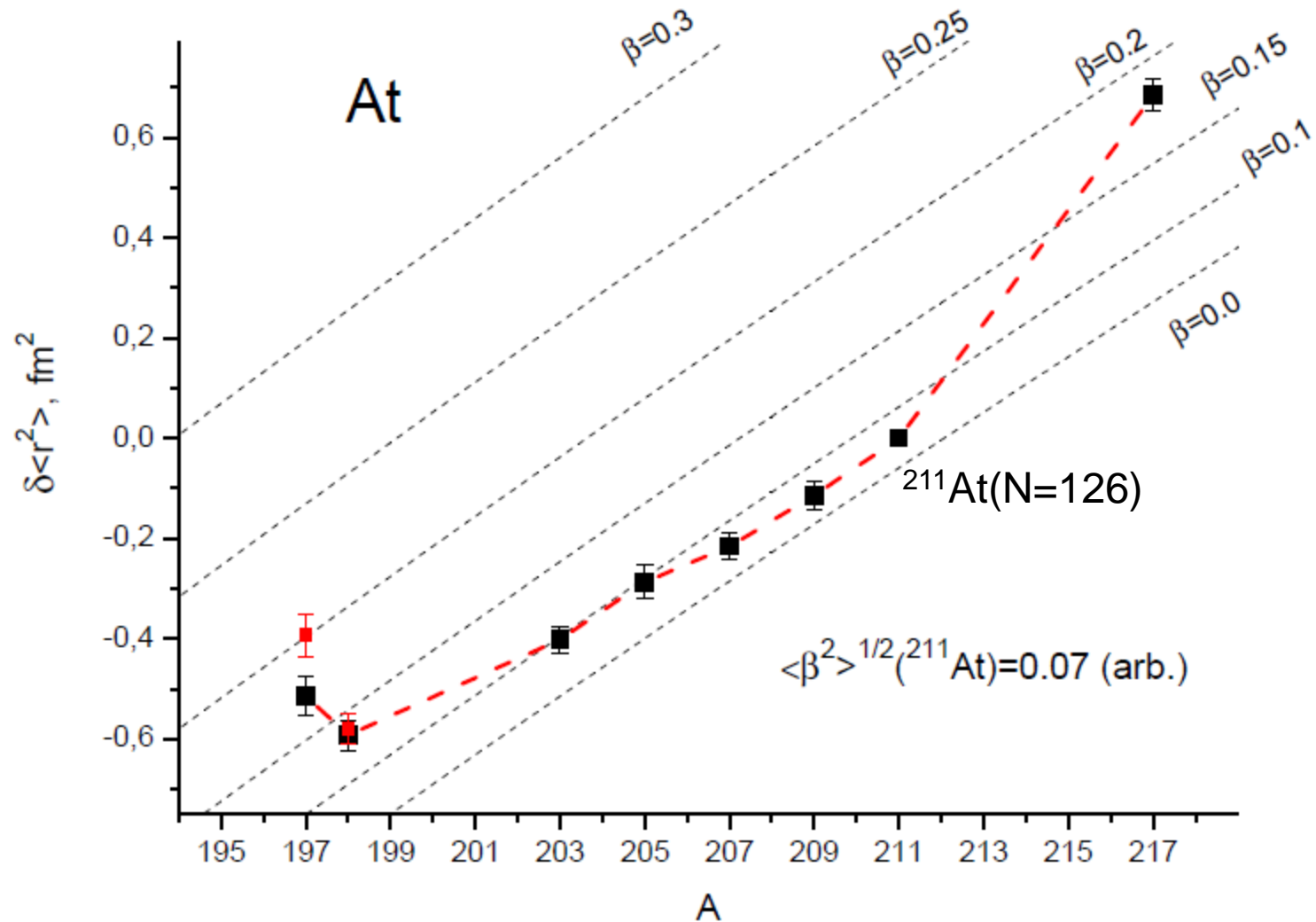
$$\delta \nu_{A,A'} = F \cdot \delta \langle r^2 \rangle_{A,A'} + M \cdot \frac{A - A'}{A \cdot A'}$$



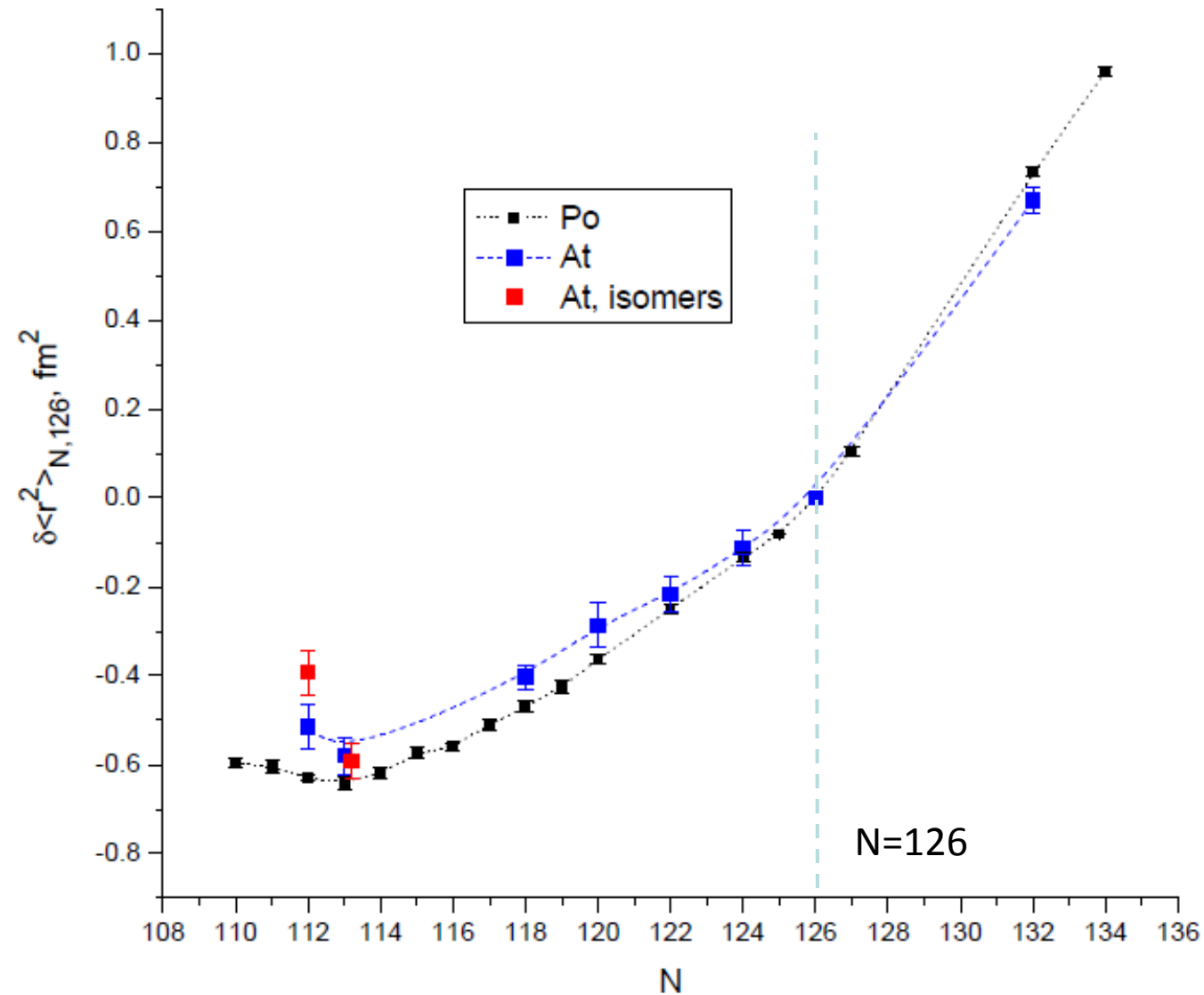
$$\Delta \sigma_{A,A'} = \Delta \nu_{A,A'} \cdot \frac{A \cdot A'}{(A - A')}$$

$\Delta \sigma$  for different transitions should lie on the straight line with a slope  $F_{\lambda 1} / F_{\lambda 2}$

# IS534 October 2012: Charge radii of At isotopes



# $^{85}\text{At}$ vs $^{84}\text{Po}$ charge radii



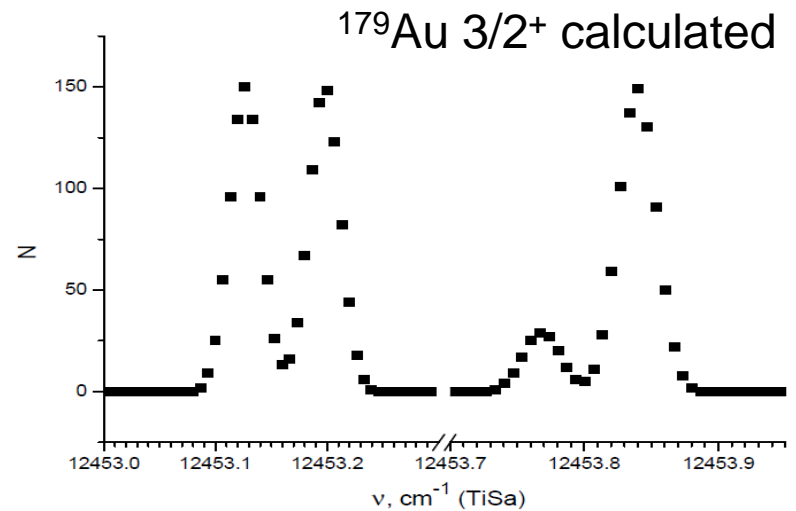
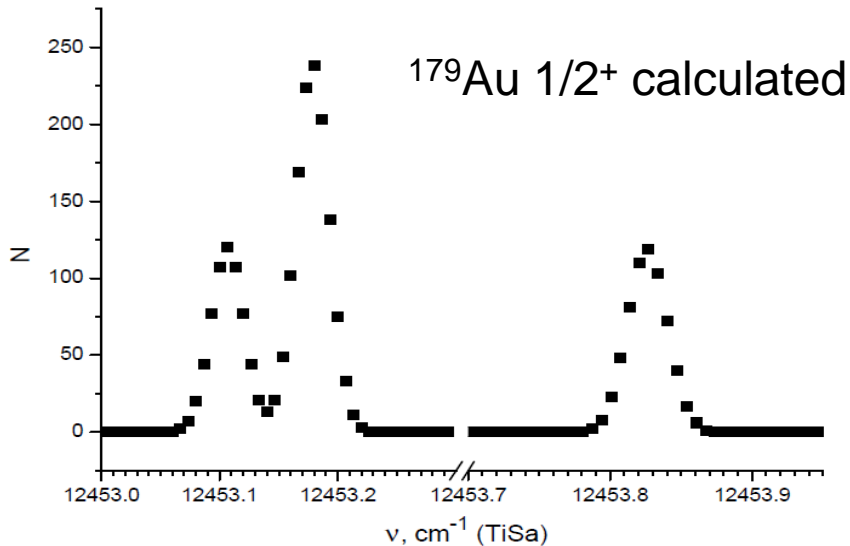
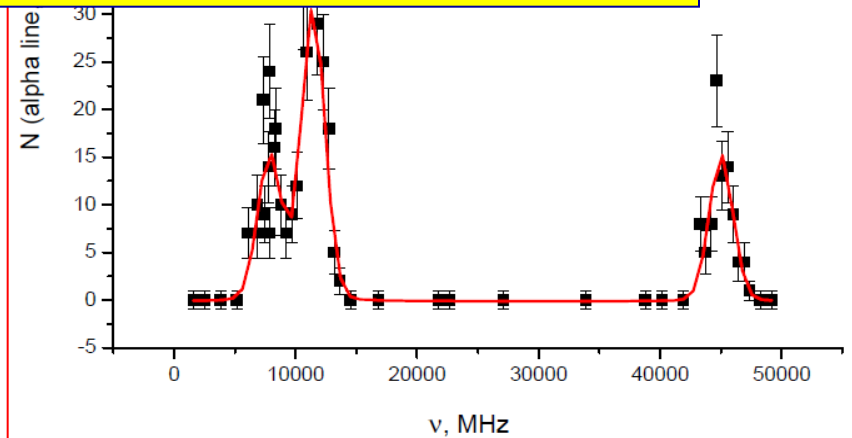
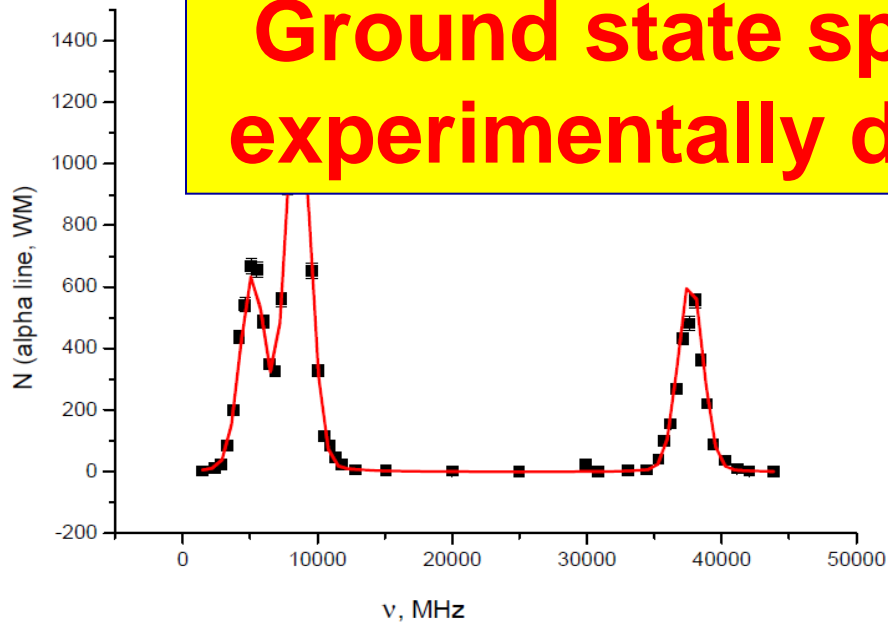
# October 2012: IS534 experiment at ISOLDE - Au isotopes

- **Are the light Au isotopes deformed?**
- **What are the spins of ground and isomeric states?**

# IS534: Hyperfine Structure Scans for $^{177,179}\text{Au}$

**Ground state spins of  $^{177,179}\text{Au}$  are experimentally determined as  $1/2^+$**

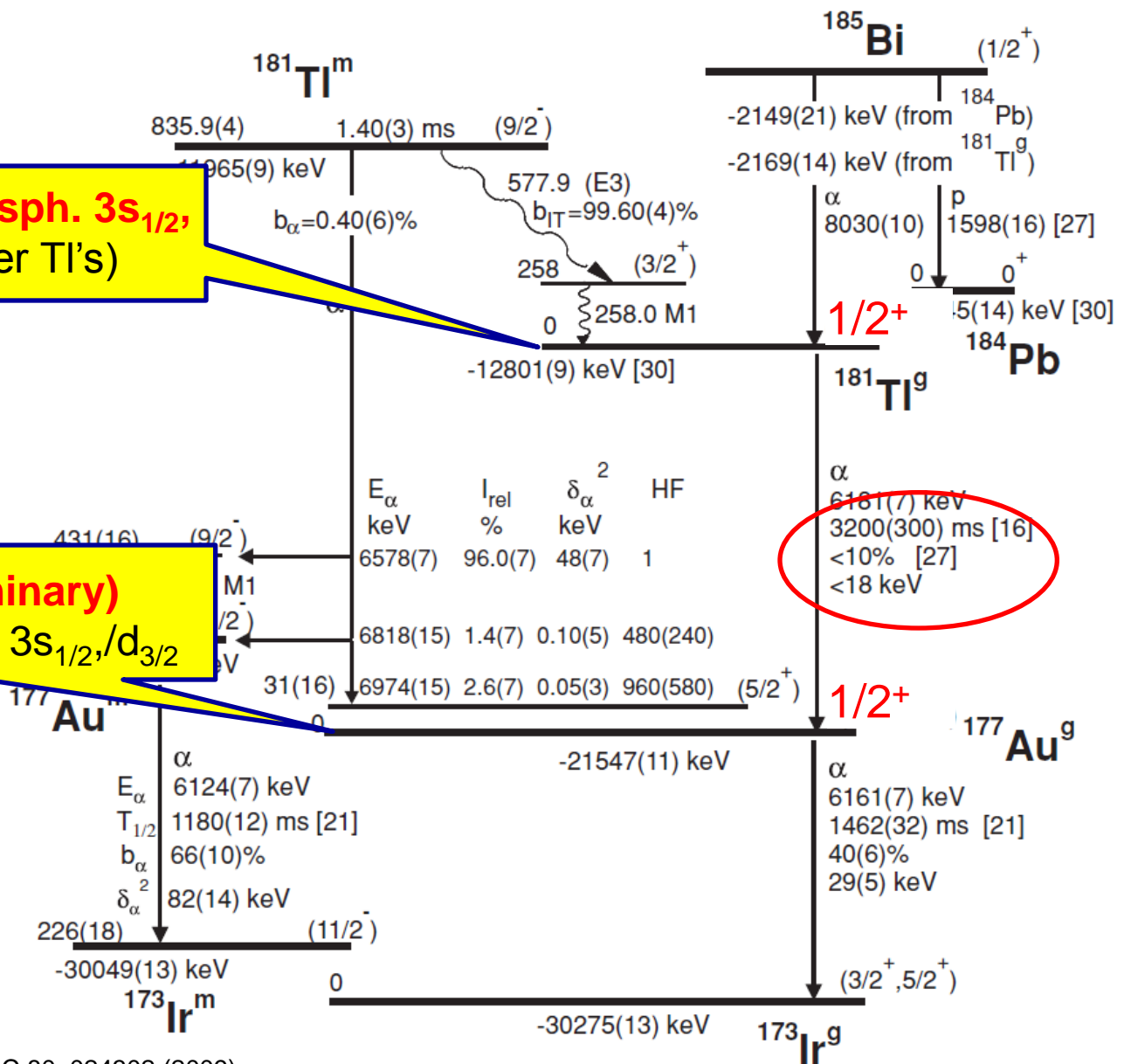
and  
(M)



# Why is $1/2^+ \rightarrow 1/2^+$ $^{181}\text{Tl} \rightarrow ^{177}\text{Au}$ $\alpha$ decay hindered?

$\mu \sim 1.6 \mu_N$ , pure sph.  $3s_{1/2}$ ,  
(as in the heavier Tl's)

$\mu \sim 1.1 \mu_N$ , (preliminary)  
mixed/def/triaxial  $3s_{1/2}, d_{3/2}$

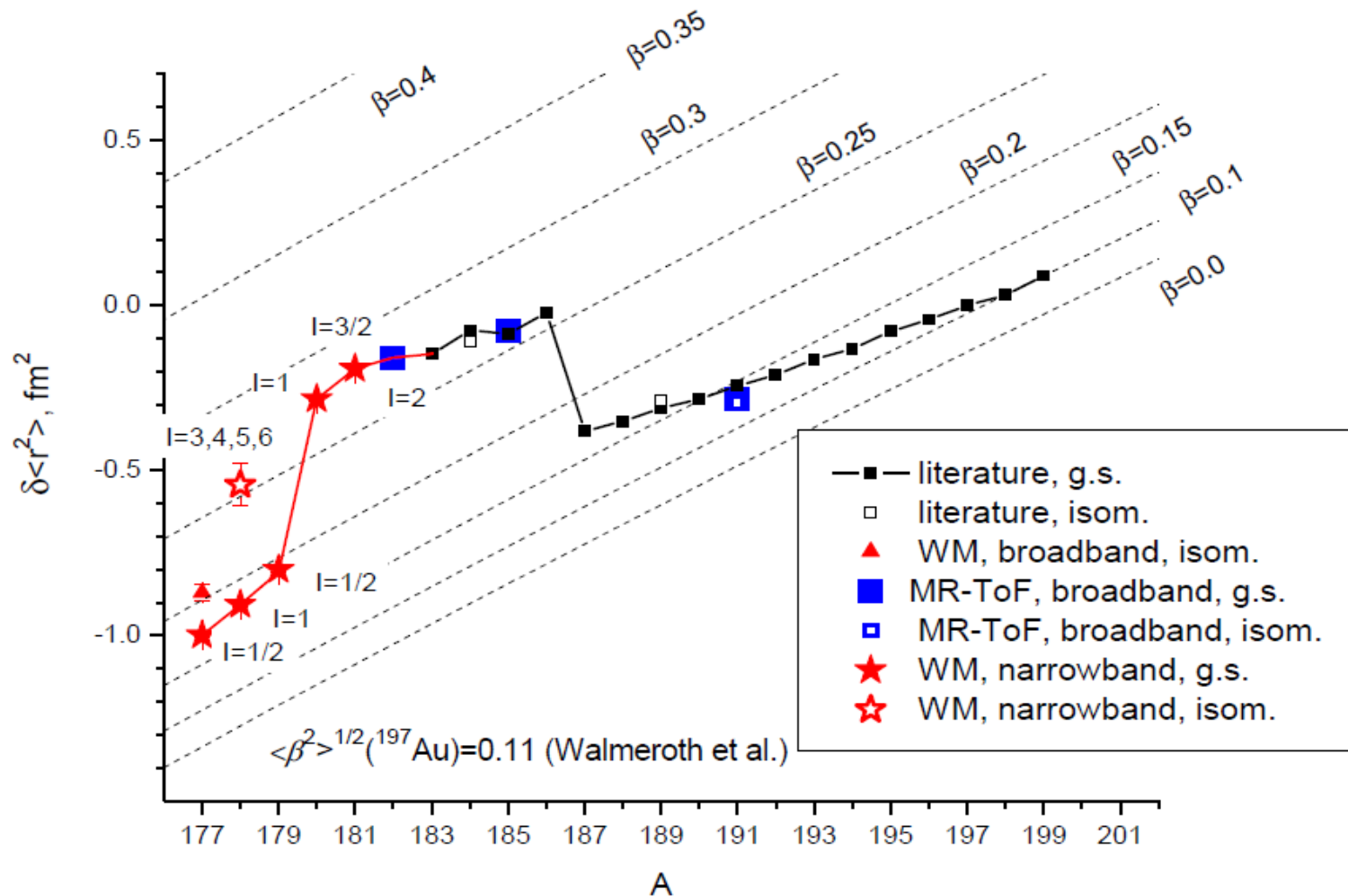


$E_\alpha$  6181(7) keV  
 $T_{1/2}$  3200(300) ms [16]  
 $b_\alpha$  < 10% [27]  
 $\delta_\alpha^2$  < 18 keV

Plot from A.Andreyev et al., PRC 80, 024302 (2009)

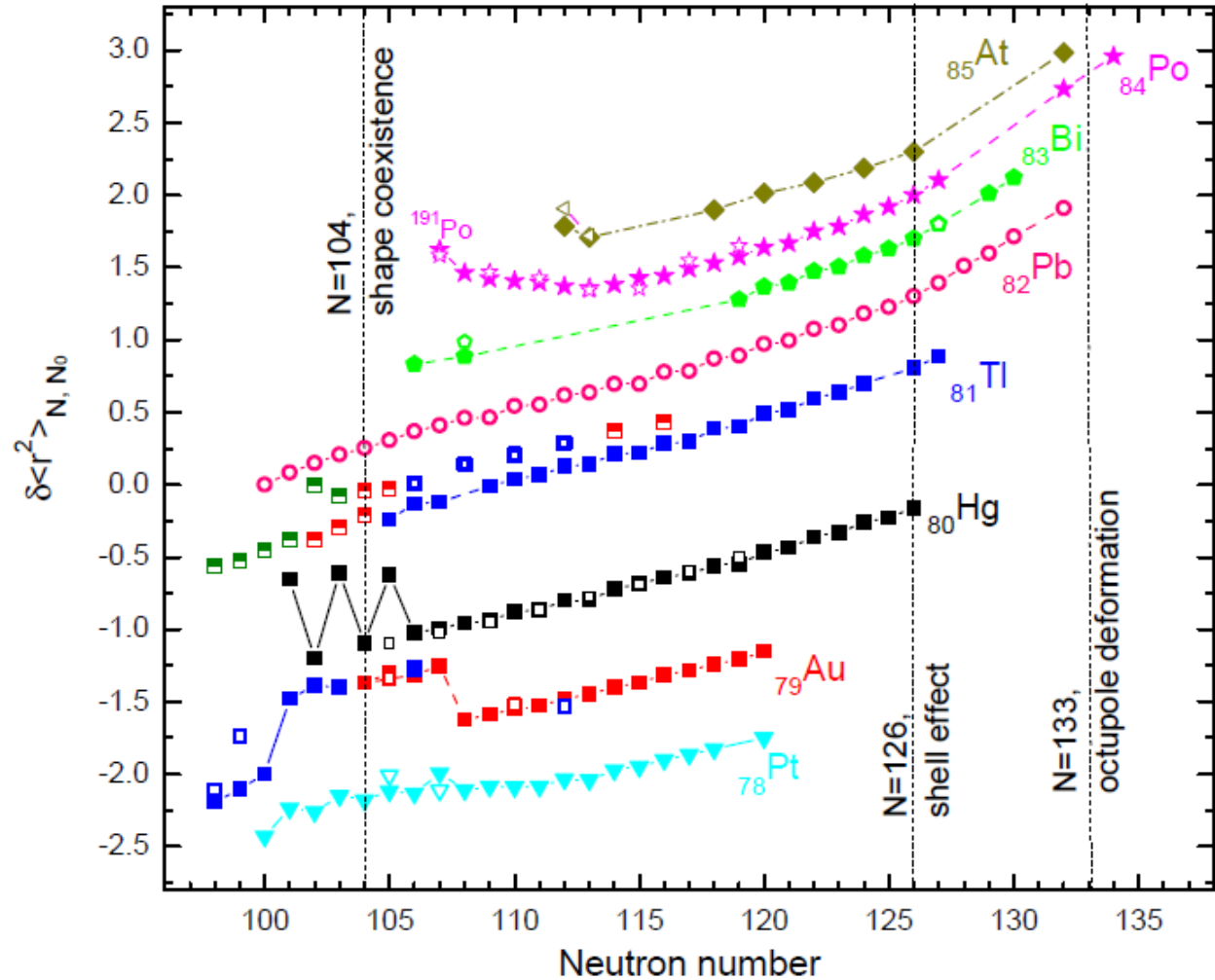


# IS534: Charge Radii of Au isotopes, ISOLDE 2012



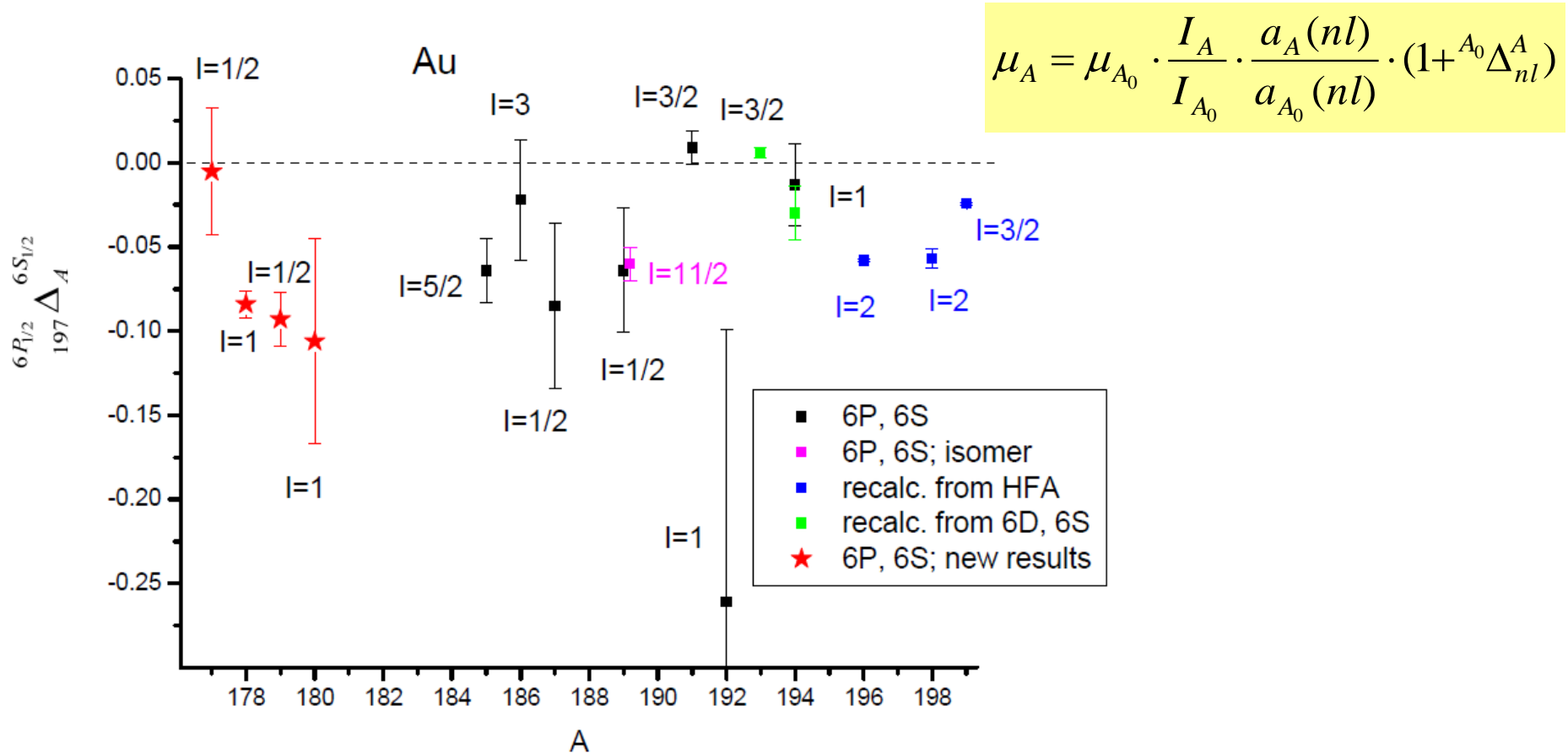
- Deformation jump toward less deformed shapes in the light Au isotopes
- Shape staggering in  ${}^{178}\text{Au}$  (large deformation difference between 2 states)

# Summary: Charge Radii in Pb region



- IS/charge radii for 10 At nuclei were measured
- “Back to sphericity” in the lightest Au isotopes
- Magnetic/quadrupole moments will be deduced
- Large amount of by-product nuclear spectroscopic information on At and Au and their daughter products

# Hyperfine structure anomaly for Au isotopes



$$\rho_{n_1 l_1, n_2 l_2}^A = \frac{a_{n_1 l_1}^A}{a_{n_2 l_2}^A},$$

$${}_{A_1}^{n_1 l_1} \Delta_{A_2}^{n_2 l_2} = \frac{\rho_{n_1 l_1, n_2 l_2}^{A_1}}{\rho_{n_1 l_1, n_2 l_2}^{A_2}} - 1 = {}^{A_1} \Delta^{A_2}(n_1 l_1) - {}^{A_1} \Delta^{A_2}(n_2 l_2)$$

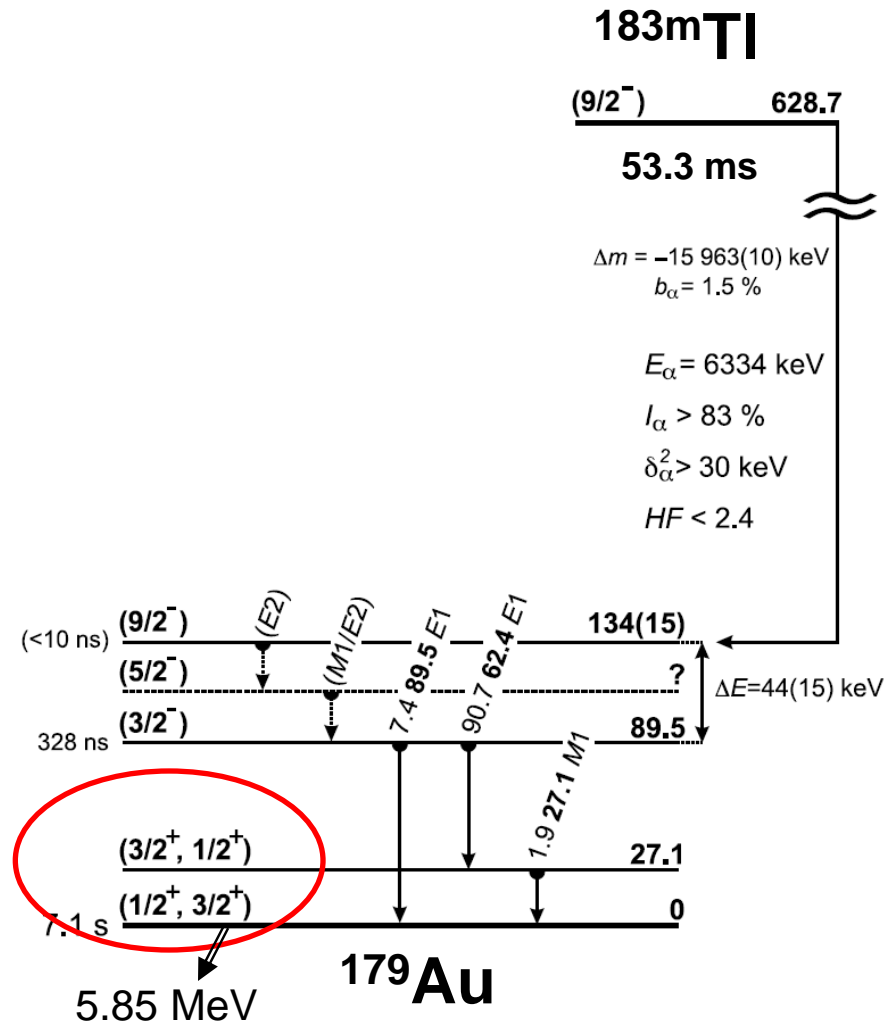
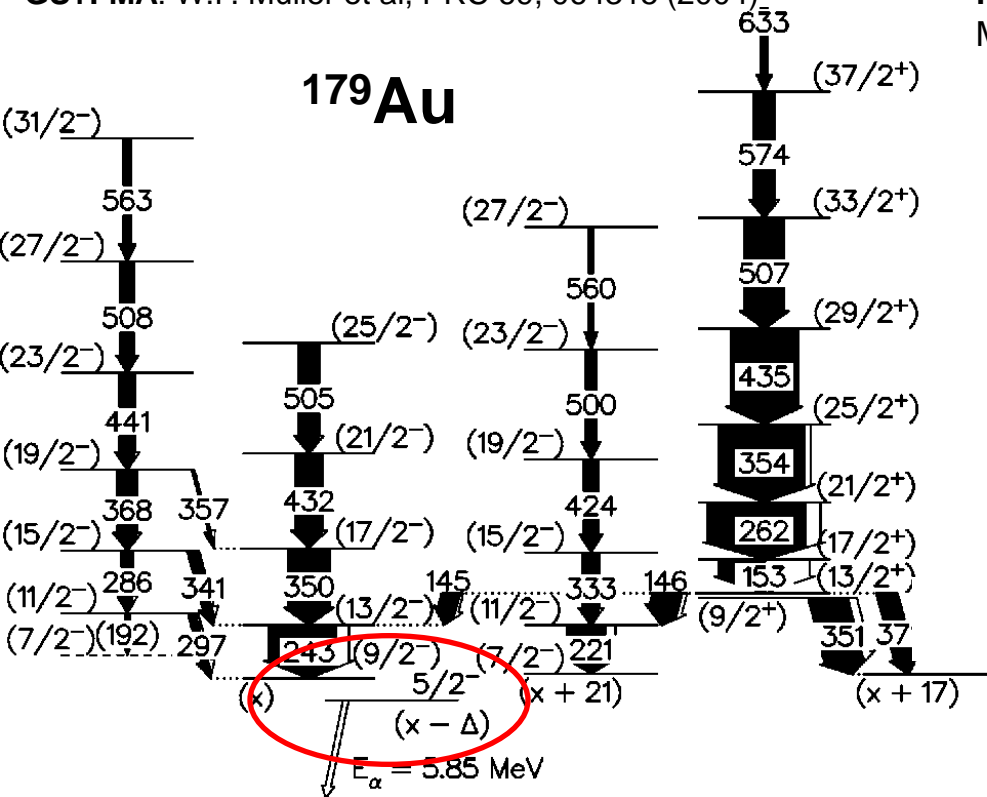
# Заключение

1. Измерено асимметричное массовое распределение осколков запаздывающего деления  $^{178}\text{Tl}$  и определена вероятность такого распада. Получены значения барьеров деления для  $^{178,180}\text{Hg}$ .
2. Для исследования ядер At найдена эффективная схема фотоионизации, обнаружено около 20 ранее не известных атомных переходов, впервые определен потенциал ионизации At.
3. Обнаружено запаздывающее деление  $^{196,194}\text{At}$ . Предварительный анализ свидетельствует о его симметричном характере.
4. Измерены изотопические сдвиги и сверхтонкое расщепление для 10 изотопов (изомеров) At на двух переходах, 216 nm и 795 nm, что позволит получить новые данные о  $\mu$ ,  $Q$ ,  $\delta\langle r^2 \rangle$  и деформации этих изотопов (изомеров). Впервые для детектирования фотоионов использована установка MR-ToF.
5. Измерены изотопические сдвиги и сверхтонкое расщепление ( $\mu$ ,  $\delta\langle r^2 \rangle$ ) для 9 изотопов (изомеров) Au на переходе 267.6 nm. Впервые обнаружен «обратный скачок деформации» — возвращение к сферичности ядер с  $N < 101$ . Обнаружены два изомера с существенно разной деформацией в ядре  $^{178}\text{Au}$ .
6. Получены новые данные об аномалии сверхтонкой структуры для изотопов Au, что позволит, в частности, уточнить значения ранее измеренных магнитных моментов.

# What is the ground state spin of $^{179}\text{Au}$ : $1/2^+$ , $3/2^+$ or $5/2^-$ ?

**GS+FMA:** W.F. Muller et al, PRC 69, 064315 (2004)

**RITU:** A. Andreyev et al., R35 experiment (+ISOLDE data)  
M. Venhart et al, PLB 695, 82 (2011)

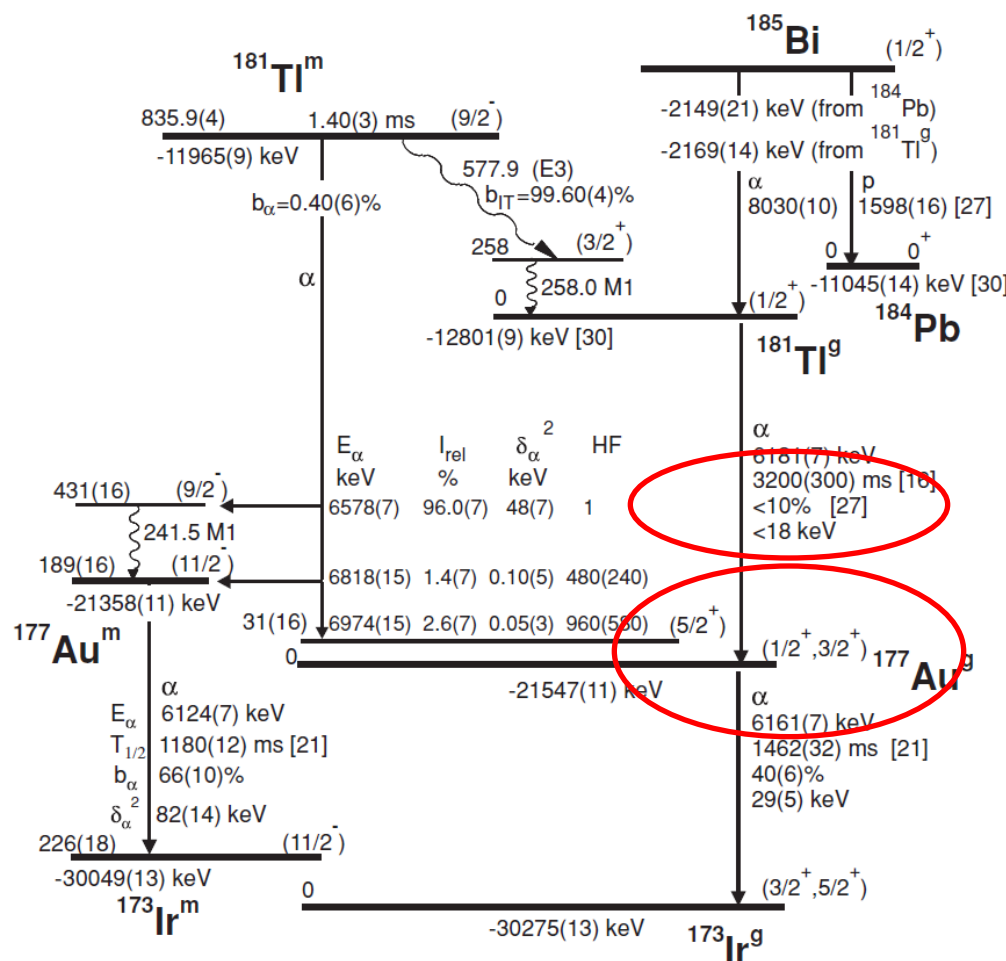
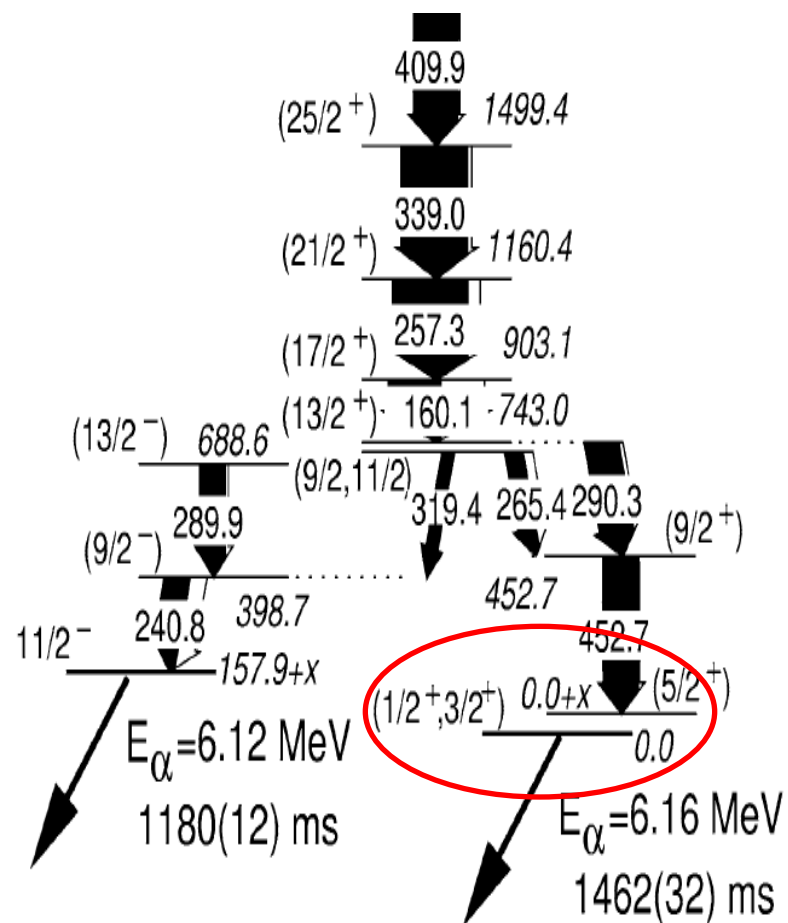


Extensive ISOLDE data for g.s. of  $^{183}\text{Tl}$  are available, analysis underway

# What is the ground state spin of $^{177}\text{Au}$ : $1/2^+$ or $3/2^+$ ?

**GS+FMA:** F.G. Kondev et al., PLB 512, 268 (2001)

**SHIP:** A.Andreyev et al., PRC 80, 024302 (2009)



Why is  $\alpha$  decay of  $1/2^+$  gs of  $^{181}\text{Tl}$  hindered,  $\text{HF} > 3$ ?

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