

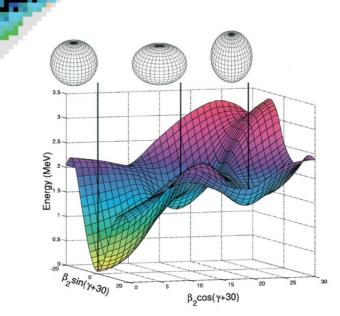
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# **Nuclear Spectroscopy with Radioactive and Stable Beams**

Exploring the Nuclear Shape along the Nuclide Chart

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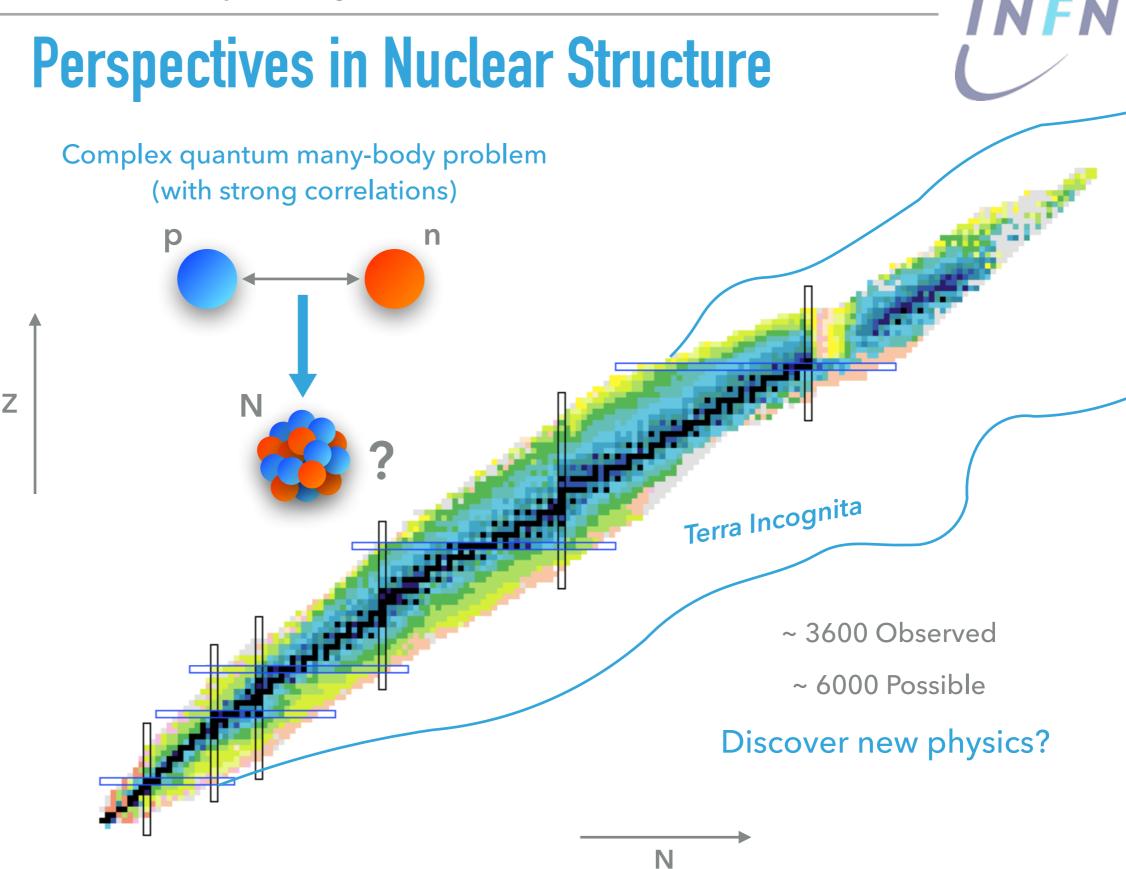


### Outline

- Perspectives in Nuclear Structure:
  - Nuclear Shape phenomena (shape coexistence, shell evolution and phase transitions)
- Introduction on Radioactive Beams -> ISOL technique
- Experimental methods:
  - Coulomb excitation and E0 transitions
- Radioactive beam experiments
- Stable beam experiments



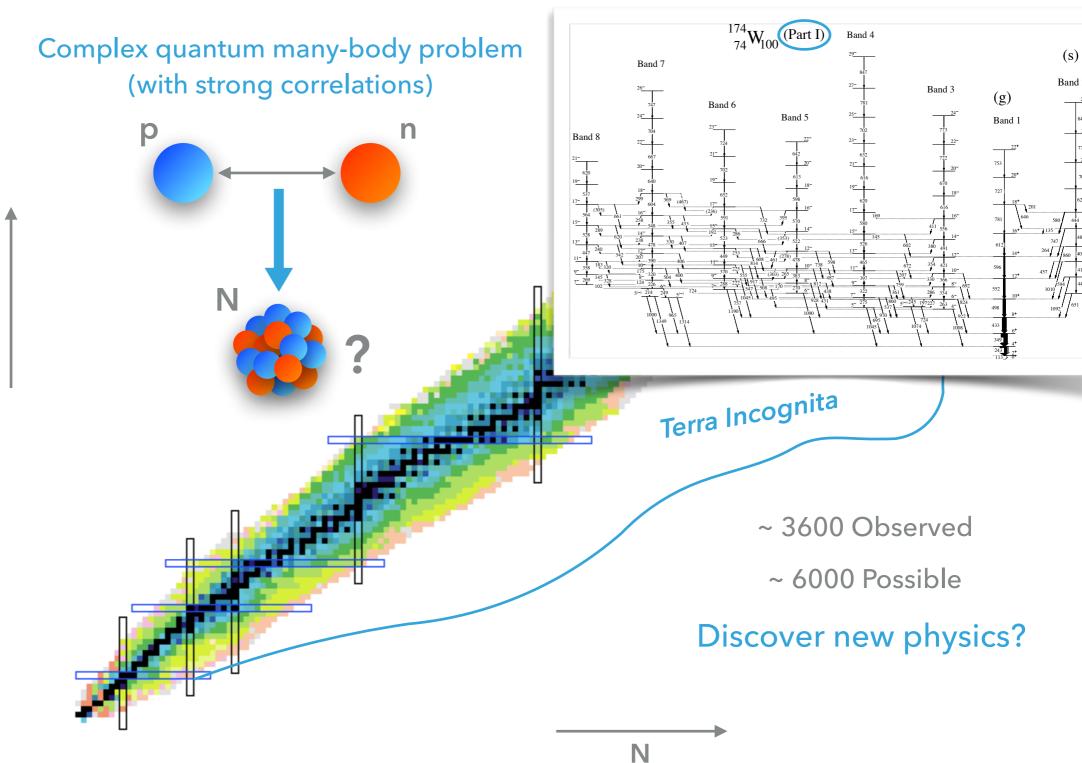
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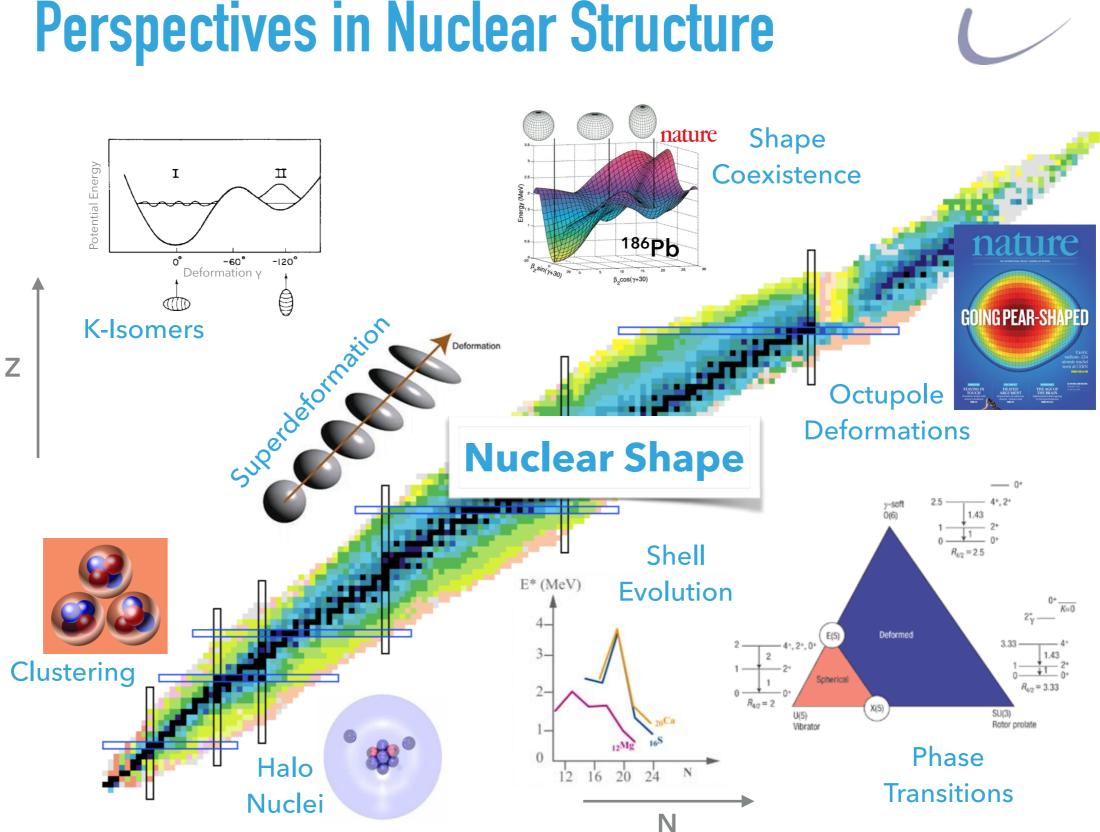
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Perspectives in Nuclear Structure



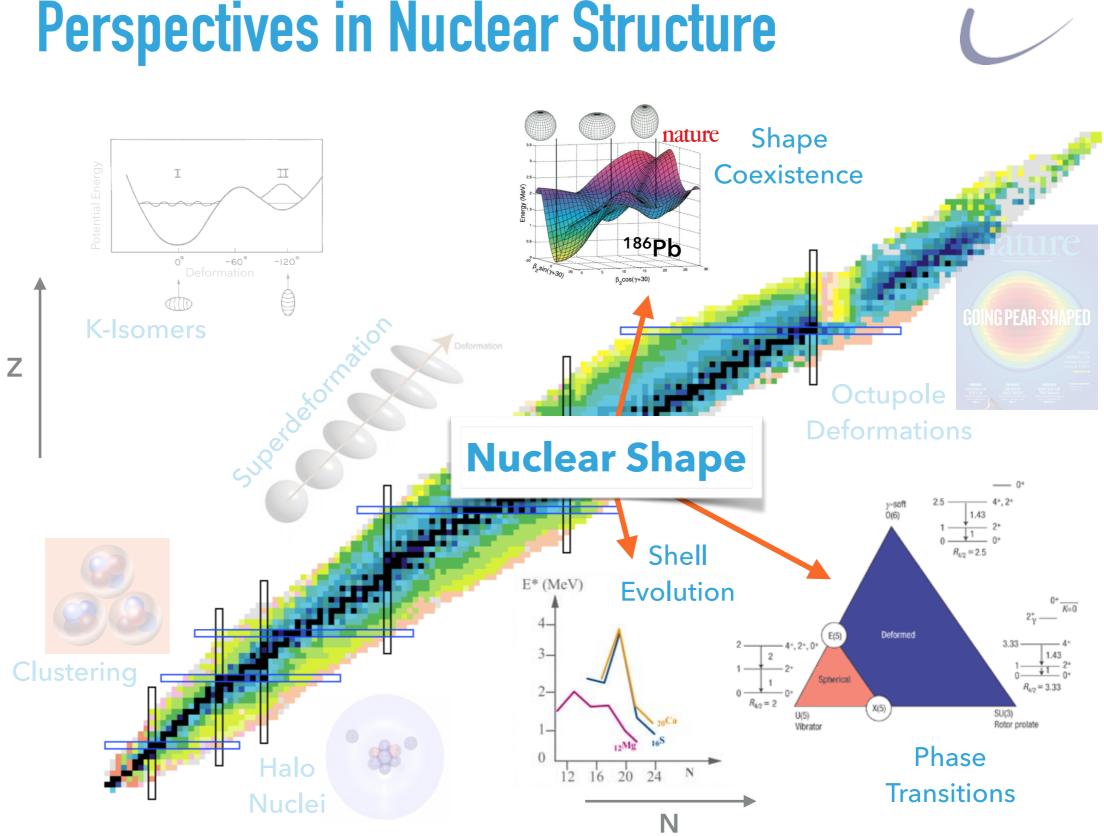
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How can we populate nuclei in excited states?



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With stables beams no possibility to go too far from the valley of stability

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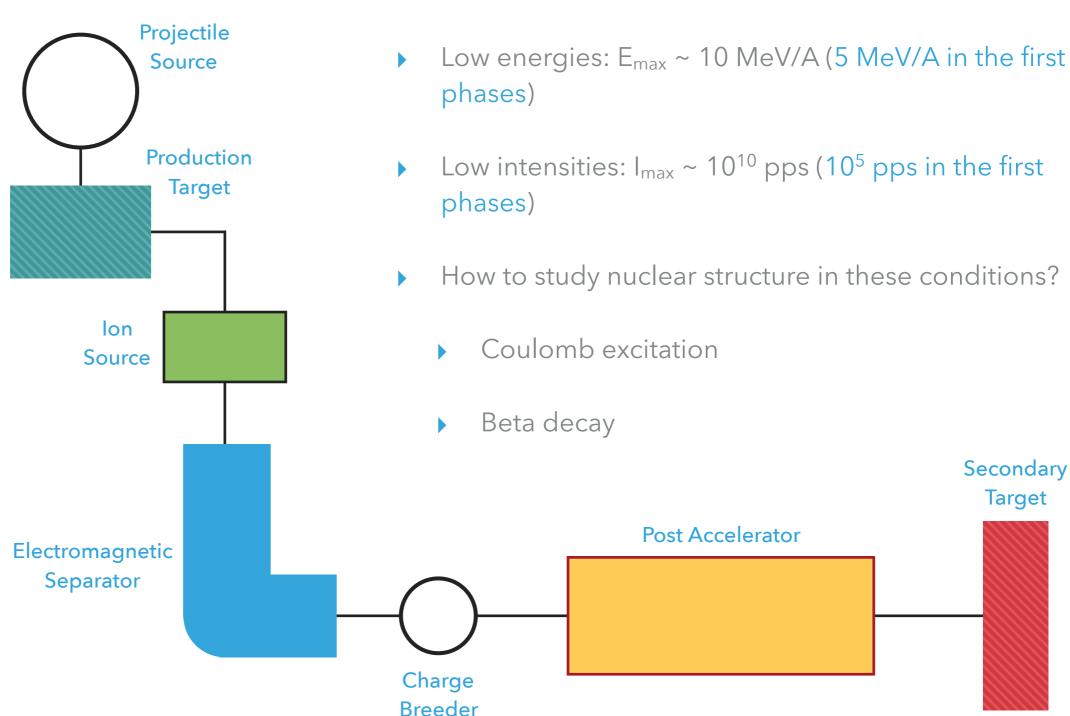
### Radioactive Beams around the World



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### **ISOL** Radioactive Beams and Limitations



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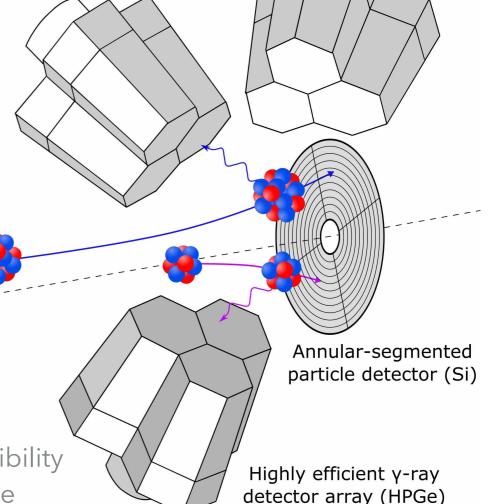
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### **Coulomb Excitation**

- Collision below the "Safe energy" (~ 5 MeV/A)
- Electromagnetic interaction -> experimental values in a model-independent way
- ▶ High cross sections (~ barns for the first 2+)
- Cross section measurement

$$d\sigma_{coulex} \sim d\sigma_{Ruth} \cdot P(i \rightarrow f)$$

- Necessity to reconstruct the kinematic: gamma detector and heavy ions detector
- Direct access to all the matrix elements -> possibility to obtain transition probabilities and quadrupole moments (deformation)



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### **EO Transitions**

Only electron conversion and pair production, sensitive to nuclear shape

#### E0 operator

$$T\left(E0\right) = \sum_{k} e_k r_k^2$$

#### E0 transition strength

$$\rho^{2}(E0) = \left| \frac{\langle f | T(E0) | i \rangle}{eR^{2}} \right|^{2}$$

#### Nuclear observable

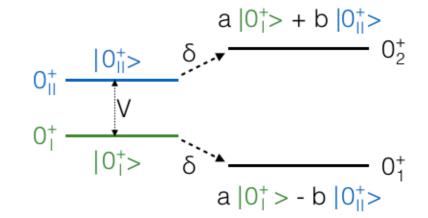
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C = tabulated and calculated values

Sensitive to level mixing:

$$\rho^2(E0) = \frac{Z^2}{R^4} a^2 b^2 \left(\Delta \left\langle r^2 \right\rangle\right)^2$$
 Wave function mixing

Difference in mean square radii



- Complementary with Coulomb excitation:
  - E0 measurements: needs information about lifetime and shape from Coulex
  - Coulex: needs information about E0 contribution to be included in the analysis from electron conversion measurements
- Usually off-line measurements via beta decay -> radioactive beams

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- 1967: ISOLDE (no post-acc.)  $\rightarrow$  2001: REX-ISOLDE ( $E_{max} = 3 \text{ MeV/A}) \rightarrow$  2015: HIE-ISOLDE ( $E_{max} = 10 \text{ MeV/A}$ , at the moment 5 MeV/A)
- Primary reaction: proton beam from PBS (1.4 GeV, 2 uA) on a thick target
- Surface, plasma and laser ion sources (60 different elements)
- Mass separators: GPS, HRS, off-line separator
- Post acceleration: SC linear accelerator

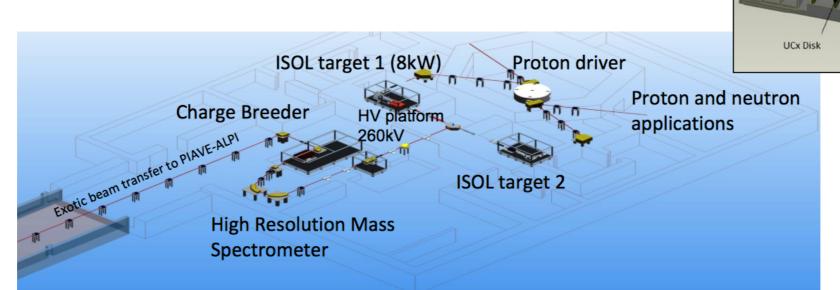


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- Completely founded (dedicated cyclotron)
- Innovative UCx target
- Advanced instrumentation
- High performing mass spectrometer
- Post-acceleration: PIAVE-ALPI
- First 10 MeV/A beams: before HIE-ISOLDE?





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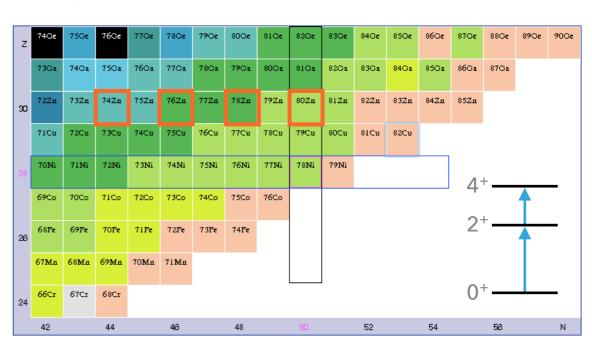
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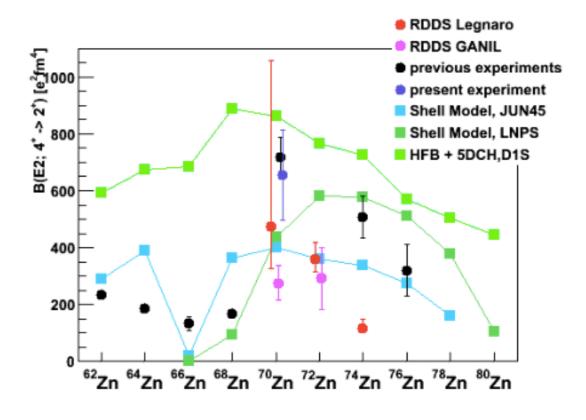
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- Evolution of the shell gap for N = 50
- Contribution of three body forces
- Different effective interactions
- B(E2;4+ -> 2+): different values using different techniques
- B(E2;4 $^+$  -> 2 $^+$ ) / B(E2;2 $^+$  -> 0 $^+$ ): key parameter to understand nuclei
- Same experiment already performed with REX-ISOLDE (no possibility to have multi-step, only B(E2;2+ -> 0+) values)





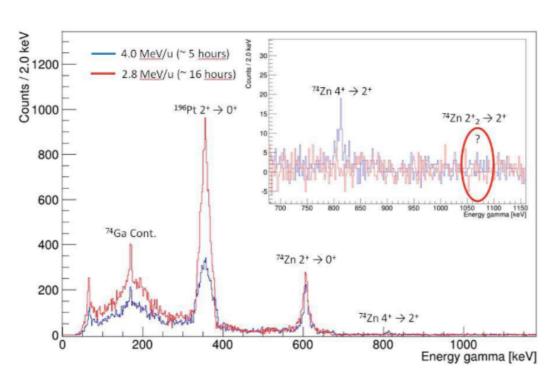


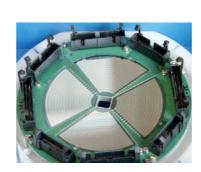
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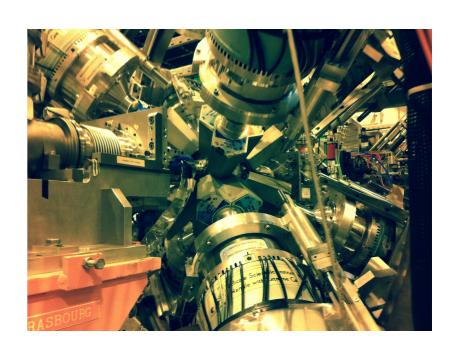
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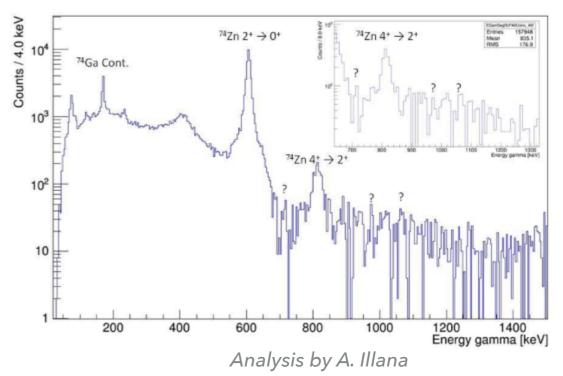
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- > <sup>74,76</sup>Zn: performed in October 2015
- Energy = 4 MeV/A, Intensity =  $10^4 10^5 \text{ pps}$
- 196Pt target (5 mg/cm²)
- $\rightarrow$  B(E2;4<sup>+</sup> -> 2<sup>+</sup>) achievable
- > 78,80Zn: October 2016









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# **Future Experiments At Isolde**

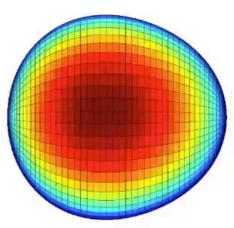
- Probing Shape Coexistence in neutron-deficient 72Se via Low-Energy Coulomb Excitation (SP: D. T. Doherty)
  - Complicate shape coexistence -> strong mixing
  - Theory: discrepancies using different approaches, for some of them oblate ground state (unusual)



**Prolate** 



- Two-phonon octupole collectivity in the doubly-magic nucleus 146Gd (SP: G. De Angelis)
  - First exited state: 3- (only in <sup>208</sup>Pb)
  - Multi-phonon excitation states very rare
  - Large discrepancies with models



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### Lol SPES

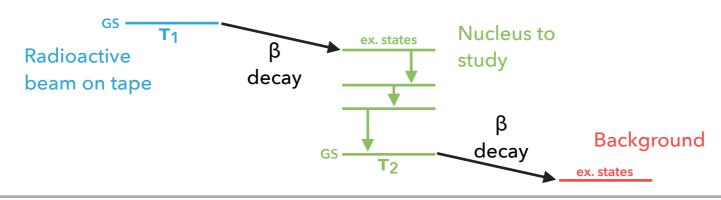
- ► Set-up for Coulomb excitation measurements of radioactive ions (SP: A. Nannini)
  - Experimental set-up for Coulomb excitation at SPES using SPIDER + AGATA (or GALILEO)
  - Several Coulomb excitation Lol for SPES



- Shell evolution around doubly magic <sup>132</sup>Sn
- Nuclei to study: <sup>134,135</sup>Sb, <sup>126,127,128</sup>Cd



- ► Electron conversion measurements at SPES 1+ beam line (SP: A. Nannini)
  - Shape coexistence in <sup>96</sup>Sr –> mini-orange, scintillator and HPGe





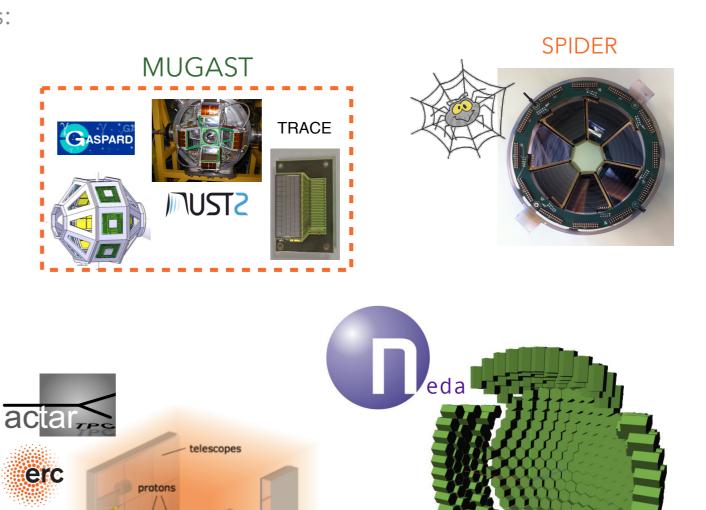
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### **Nuclear Structure with Stable Beams**

- Developments in the stable beam accelerators -> ex.: PIAVE ALPI @LNL
- Instrumentation developments:





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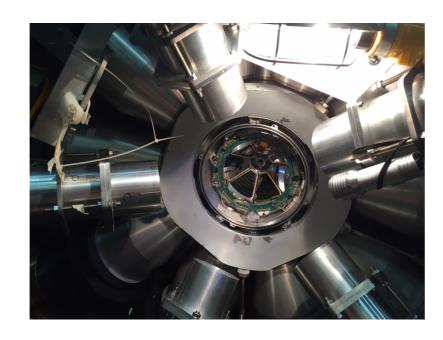
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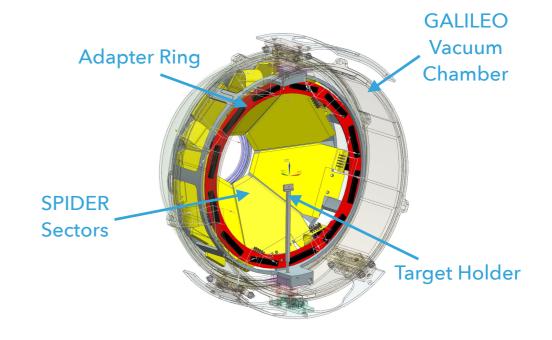
# Commissioning of a new charge particle detector SPIDER for the Coulomb Excitation studies with GALILEO (SP: M. Rocchini, K. Hadynska-Klek)

- Developing Coulomb excitation technique at LNL: new possibilities with GALILEO and stable beams, priority for SPES
- Cone configuration to fit the GALILEO vacuum chamber
- Same acquisition system of EUCLIDES: 56 electronic channels can be used as trigger signals -> 56 needed for SPIDER (8 strips for 7 sectors)



New mechanical frame and electronic adapter to connect SPIDER



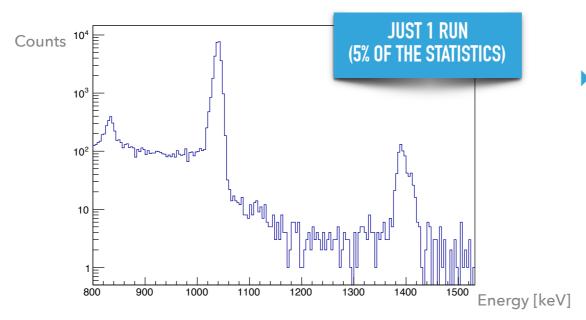


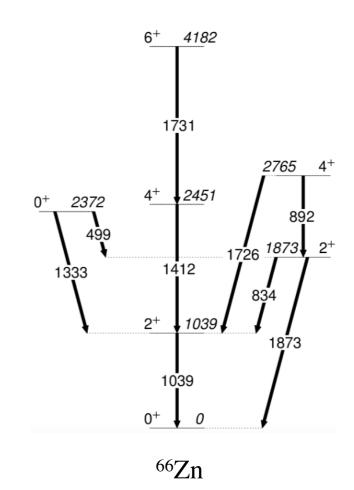
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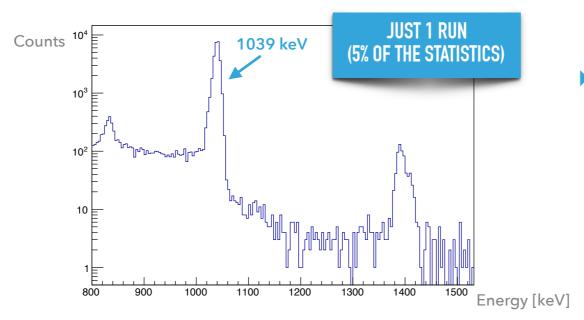


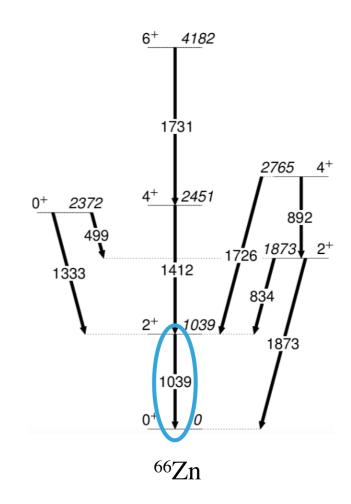
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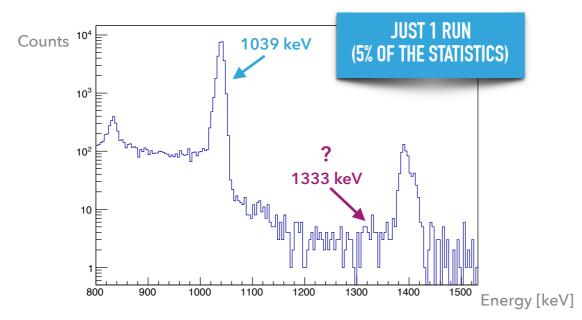


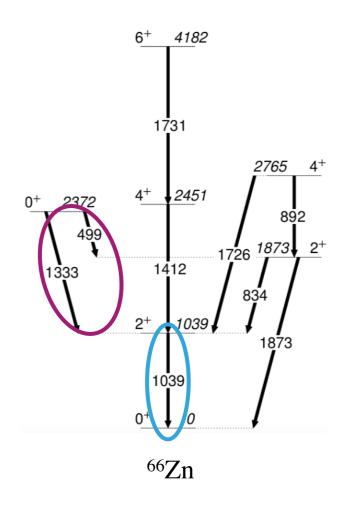
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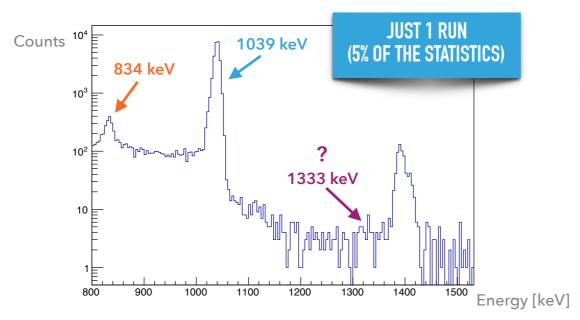


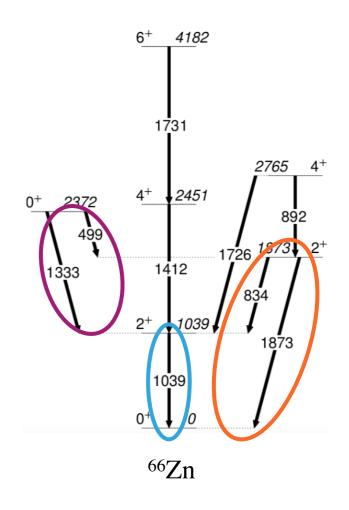
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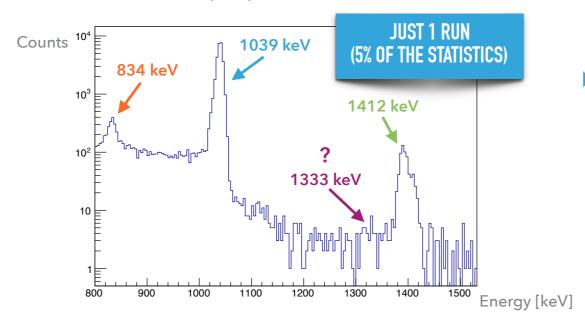


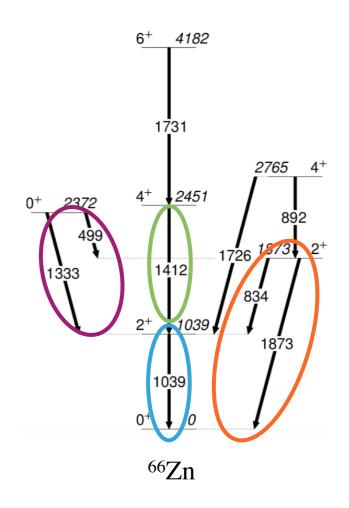
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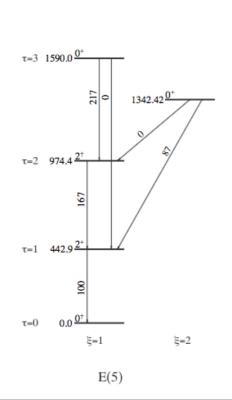
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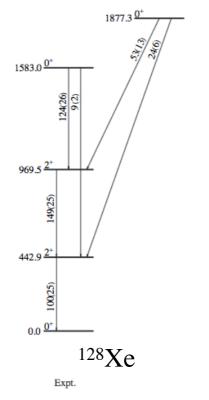
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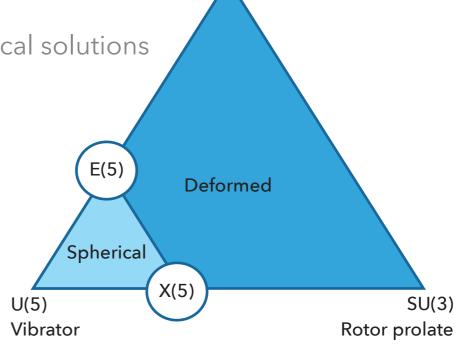
E0 Transitions In 126,128Xe (SP: A. Nannini, B. Melon)

IBA models: pairs of identical nucleons treated as bosons

- Nuclei in the Casten triangle vertexes -> Analytical solutions
- Selection rules for different symmetries
  - $\rightarrow$  126Xe -> O(6) symmetry breaking
  - $\rightarrow$  128Xe -> E(5) candidate

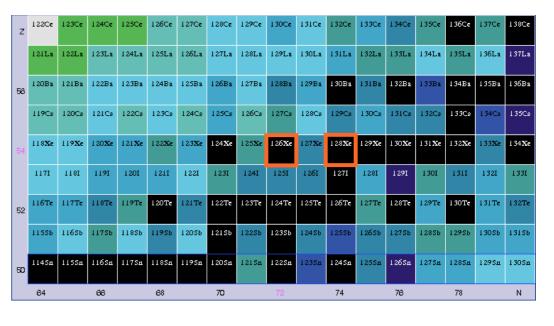






γ-soft

O(6)



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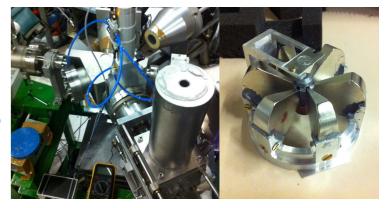
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- Two different experiments: <sup>126</sup>Xe -> LNL Legnaro, <sup>128</sup>Xe -> LNS Catania
- Similar apparatuses -> off-line beta decay experiments:

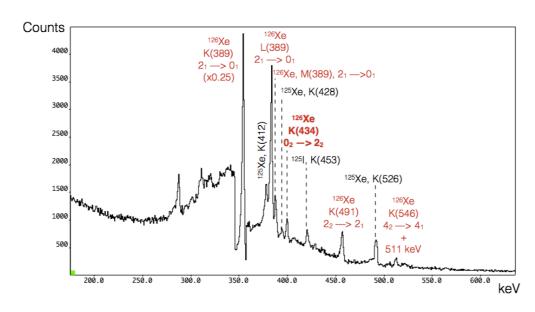
LNL:
Florence Magnetic
Electron
Spectrometer

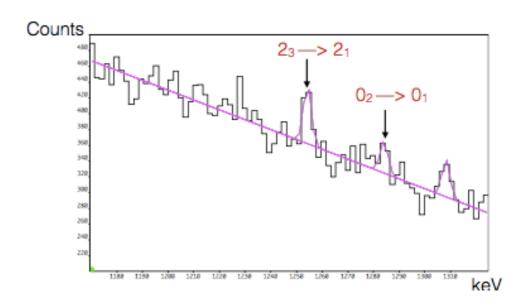


LNS: Mini-Orange



▶ <sup>126</sup>Xe preliminary results:







### Conclusions

- Discover of the nucleus in 1909 –> still under investigation (complicate quantum many-body problem)
- > Shape as a key characteristics in nuclei
- Experimental work necessary—> need for radioactive beams development
- Coulomb excitation and E0 transition measurements suitable with radioactive beams
- ▶ Instrumentation developments -> possibility to study nuclear structure with stable beams

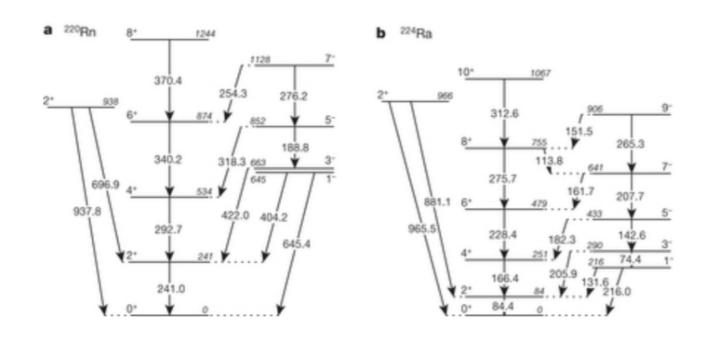


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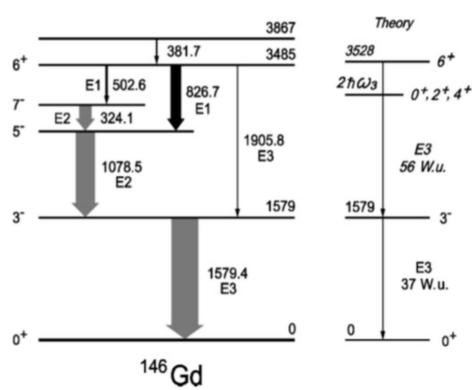


# **Octupole Excitations**

#### **Rotation**

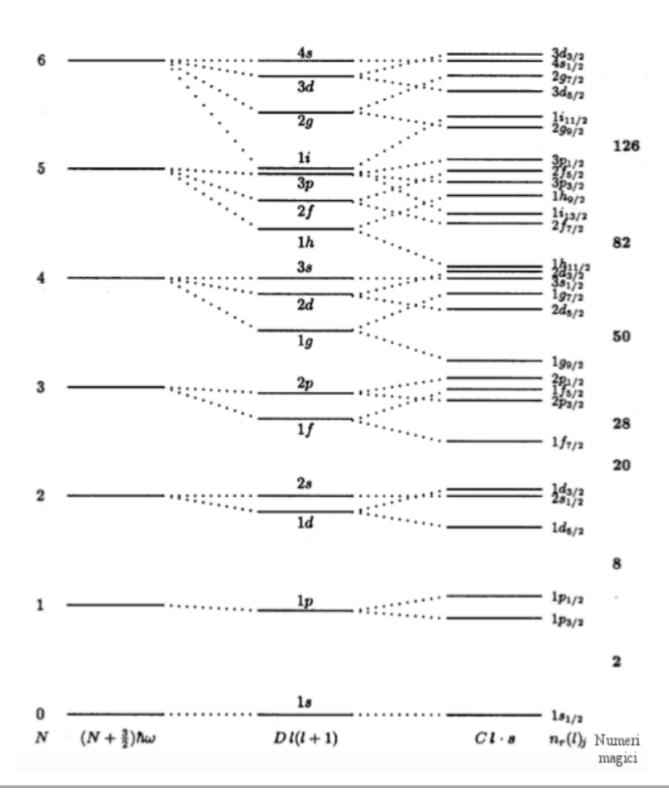


#### **Vibration**





### **Shell Model**





### **IBA Models**

 $\mathbf{H} = \varepsilon \, \mathbf{n_d} + \kappa \, \mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{Q}$ 

parametri:  $\kappa/\epsilon$ ,  $\chi$  (in Q)

