

Stability and properties of heavy and superheavy nuclei in mean-field model with Skyrme energy density functional

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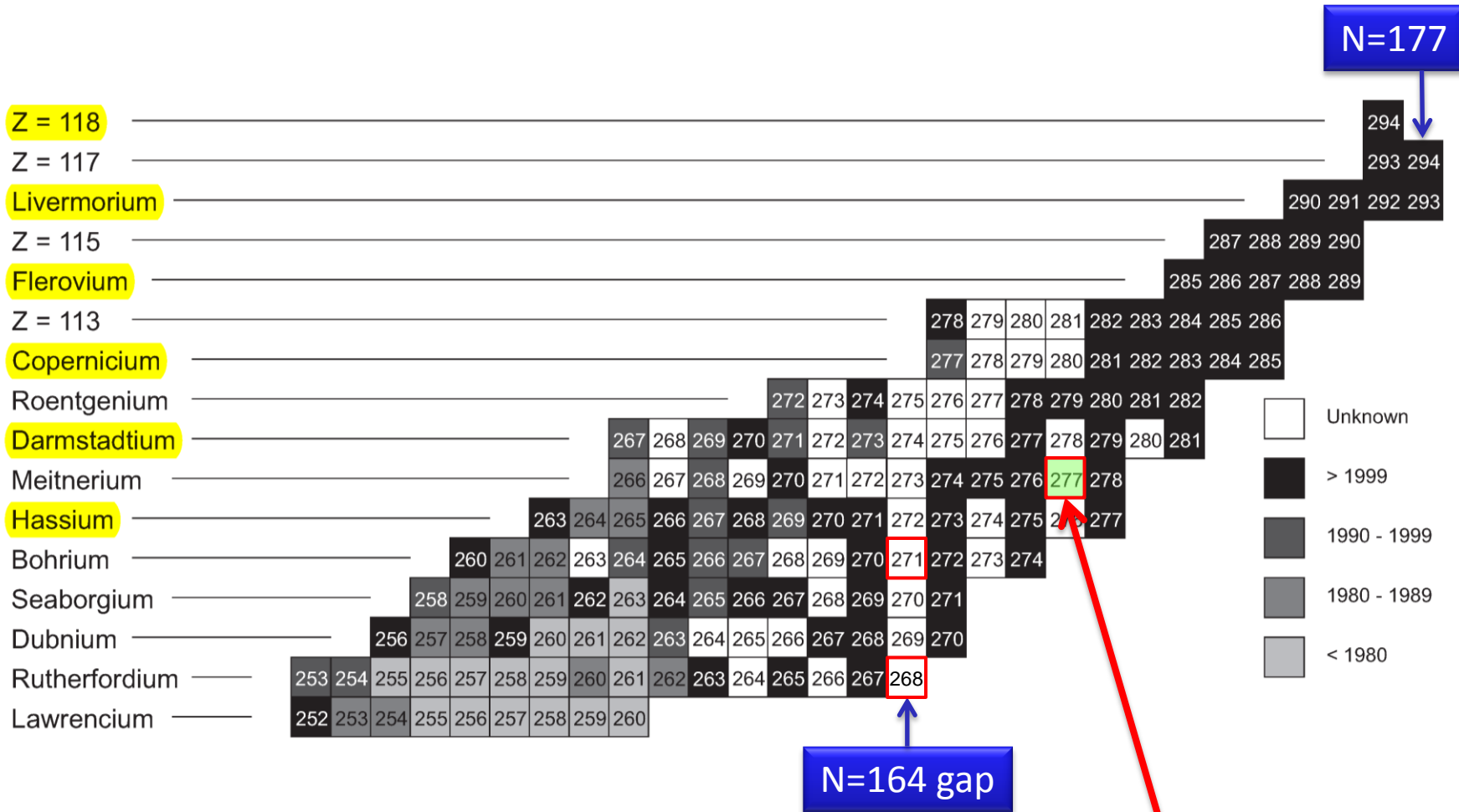
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The Segre chart of the SHN (A.D. 2013)



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The Skyrme EDF

$$E_{Sk} = \sum_{t=0,1} \int d^3\mathbf{r} (\mathcal{H}_t^{even}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathcal{H}_t^{odd}(\mathbf{r})),$$

time-even Skyrme EDF $(\rho_t, \tau_t, \mathbb{J}_t^{jk})$ **even-even nuclei**

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_t^{even}(\mathbf{r}) = & C_t^\rho [\rho_0] \rho_t^2 + C_t^{\Delta\rho} \rho_t \Delta\rho_t + C_t^\tau \rho_t \tau_t + C_t^{J0} \mathcal{J}_t^2 + C_t^{J1} \mathbf{J}_t^2 + C_t^{J2} \mathfrak{J}_t^2 \\ & + C_t^{\nabla J} \rho_t \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}_t, \quad (\text{spin-orbit term}) \end{aligned}$$

time-odd Skyrme EDF $(\mathbf{s}_t, \mathbf{T}_t, \mathbf{j}_t, \mathbf{F}_t)$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_t^{odd}(\mathbf{r}) = & C_t^s [\rho_0] \mathbf{s}_t^2 + C_t^{\Delta s} \mathbf{s}_t \cdot \Delta \mathbf{s}_t + C_t^T \mathbf{s}_t \cdot \mathbf{T}_t + C_t^j \mathbf{j}_t^2 \\ & + C_t^{\nabla j} \mathbf{s}_t \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{j}_t) \quad (\text{spin-orbit term}) \\ & + C_t^{\nabla s} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{s}_t)^2 + C_t^F \mathbf{s}_t \cdot \mathbf{F}_t, \quad (\text{pure tensor terms}) \end{aligned}$$

The total energy in the Skyrme-HF/HFB model

$$E^{tot} \equiv \langle \Phi_{HF} | \hat{H} | \Phi_{HF} \rangle \geq E_{g.s.}$$

$$= \int d^3\mathbf{r} \left[\mathcal{E}_{kin} + \mathcal{E}_{Sk} + \mathcal{E}_{Coul}^{dir} + \mathcal{E}_{Coul}^{ex} + \mathcal{E}_{pair} \right] + E_{corr},$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{kin} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \tau_0(\mathbf{r}),$$

kinetic energy density

$$\mathcal{E}_{Coul}^{dir} = \frac{1}{2} e^2 \rho_p(\mathbf{r}) \int d^3\mathbf{r}' \frac{\rho_p(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|},$$

direct Coulomb en. density

$$\mathcal{E}_{Coul}^{ex} = -\frac{3}{4} e^2 \left(\frac{3}{\pi} \right)^{1/3} \rho_p^{4/3}(\mathbf{r})$$

exchange Coulomb en. density
(in the Slater approx.)

$$\mathcal{E}_{pair} = \sum_{q=p,n} \frac{V_q^0}{4} \left[1 - V^1 \left(\frac{\rho_0(\mathbf{r})}{\rho_{st}} \right)^\beta \right] \tilde{\rho}_q^2(\mathbf{r}),$$

Isovector pairing en. density

$V^1 = 0, 1, \text{ or } 1/2$ for *volume-*, *surface-*, or *mix-* type pairing

$\rho_{st} = 0.16 \text{ fm}^{-3}$, $\tilde{\rho}_q(\mathbf{r})$ - pairing density for protons and neutrons.

The equality-constrained problem (ECP)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min_{\bar{\rho}} E^{tot}[\bar{\rho}] \\ \text{subject to: } \sum_{q=p,n} \langle \Phi(\bar{\rho}) | \hat{N}_q | \Phi(\bar{\rho}) \rangle = N_q, \\ \sum_{\lambda\mu} \langle \Phi(\bar{\rho}) | \hat{Q}_{\lambda\mu} | \Phi(\bar{\rho}) \rangle = Q_{\lambda\mu}, \end{array} \right.$$

$$E^{tot}[\bar{\rho}] \equiv E^{tot}[\rho, \tau, \mathbb{J}; \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{T}, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{F}; \tilde{\rho}] \quad \text{objective function}$$

$$= \int d^3\mathbf{r} (\mathcal{E}_{kin}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathcal{E}_{Sk}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathcal{E}_{Coul}^{dir}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathcal{E}_{Coul}^{ex}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathcal{E}_{pair}(\mathbf{r})) + E_{corr}$$

$$\langle \hat{Q}_{10} \rangle = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{3}} \sum_{i=1}^A \langle r_i Y_{10}(\theta_i, \phi_i) \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^A \langle z_i \rangle = 0 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{dipole moment condition} \\ \text{to avoid center of mass motion} \end{array}$$

$$\hat{Q}_{20} = \sqrt{\frac{16\pi}{5}} \sum_{i=1}^A r_i^2 Y_{20}(\theta_i, \phi_i) = \sum_{i=1}^A (2z_i^2 - x_i^2 - y_i^2) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{quadrupole moment} \\ \text{stretching/squeezing} \end{array}$$

$$\hat{Q}_{30} = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{7}} \sum_{i=1}^A r_i^3 Y_{30}(\theta_i, \phi_i) = \sum_{i=1}^A [z_i^3 - \frac{3}{2}z_i(x_i^2 + y_i^2)] \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{octupole moment} \\ \text{mass-asymmetry} \end{array}$$

$$\hat{Q}_{40} = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{9}} \sum_{i=1}^A r_i^4 Y_{40}(\theta_i, \phi_i) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{hexadecapole moment} \\ \text{necking} \end{array}$$

The augmented Lagrangian functional associated with ECP

$$\begin{aligned}
 E'_c[\bar{\rho}, \lambda, \Lambda] = & E^{tot}[\bar{\rho}] - \sum_{q=p,n} \lambda_q \langle \Psi(\bar{\rho}) | \hat{N}_q | \Psi(\bar{\rho}) \rangle \\
 & + \sum_{\lambda\mu} C_{\lambda\mu} \left(\langle \Psi(\bar{\rho}) | \hat{Q}_{\lambda\mu} | \Psi(\bar{\rho}) \rangle - Q_{\lambda\mu} \right)^2 \quad \text{quadratic penalty function (QPM)} \\
 & \left[+ \sum_{\lambda\mu} \Lambda_{\lambda\mu} \left(\langle \Psi(\bar{\rho}) | \hat{Q}_{\lambda\mu} | \Psi(\bar{\rho}) \rangle - Q_{\lambda\mu} \right) \right] \quad \text{linear penalty function (LCM)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\lambda_p, \lambda_n, \Lambda_{\lambda\mu}$ Lagrange multipliers, $C_{\lambda\mu} > 0$ penalty parameters

The augmented Lagrange method (ALM):

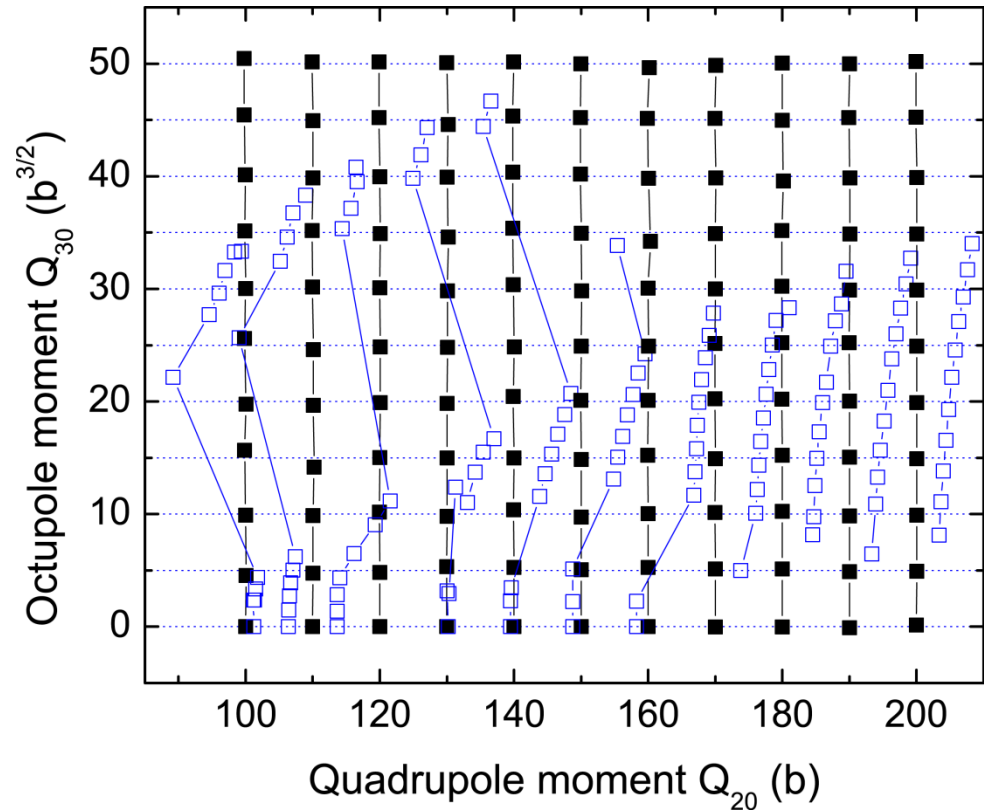
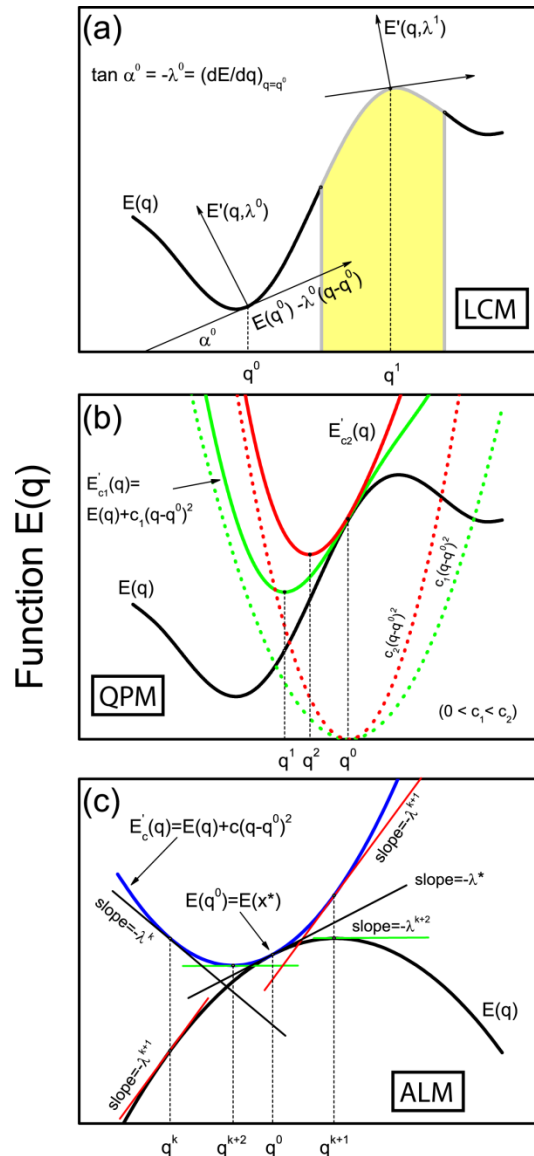
$$\Lambda_{\lambda\mu}^{k+1} = \Lambda_{\lambda\mu}^k + 2C_{\lambda\mu}^k \left(\langle \Psi(\bar{\rho}^k) | \hat{Q}_{\lambda\mu} | \Psi(\bar{\rho}^k) \rangle - Q_{\lambda\mu} \right)$$

The first-order (necessary) variational condition

$$\frac{\delta}{\delta \bar{\rho}} E'_c[\bar{\rho}^*, \lambda^*, \Lambda^*] = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad E^{tot}[\bar{\rho}^*] = E_{HF}^{tot}$$

and $\sum_{q=p,n} \langle \Psi(\bar{\rho}^*) | \hat{N}_q | \Psi(\bar{\rho}^*) \rangle = N_q$, $\sum_{\lambda\mu} \langle \Psi(\bar{\rho}^*) | \hat{Q}_{\lambda\mu} | \Psi(\bar{\rho}^*) \rangle = Q_{\lambda\mu}$

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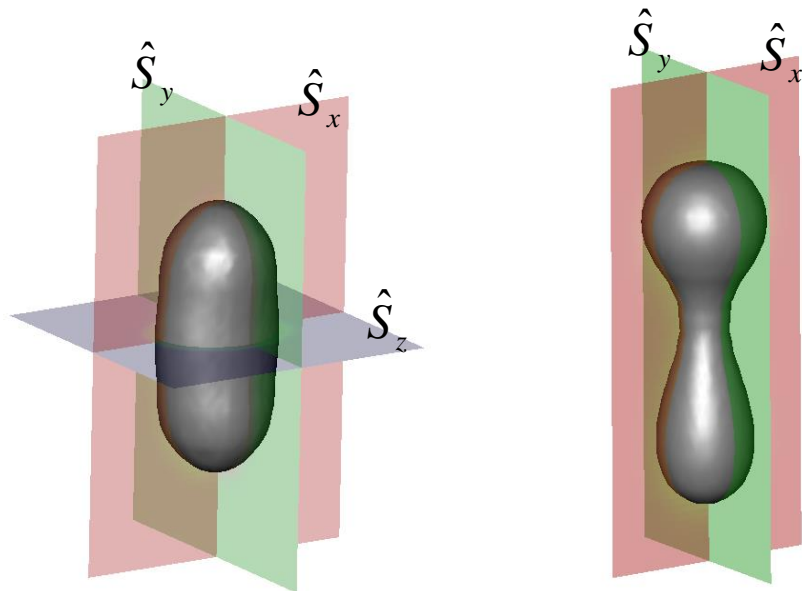


QPM vs. ALM

HFODD: the self-consistent symmetries

- time-reversal \hat{T}
- parity \hat{P}
- x-, y-, z-signature $\hat{R}_{x,y,z} = \exp(-i\pi\hat{J}_{x,y,z})$
- x-, y-, z-simplex $\hat{S}_{x,y,z} = \hat{P}\hat{R}_{x,y,z}$
- x-, y-, z-simplex*T $\hat{S}_{x,y,z}^T = \hat{T}\hat{S}_{x,y,z}$

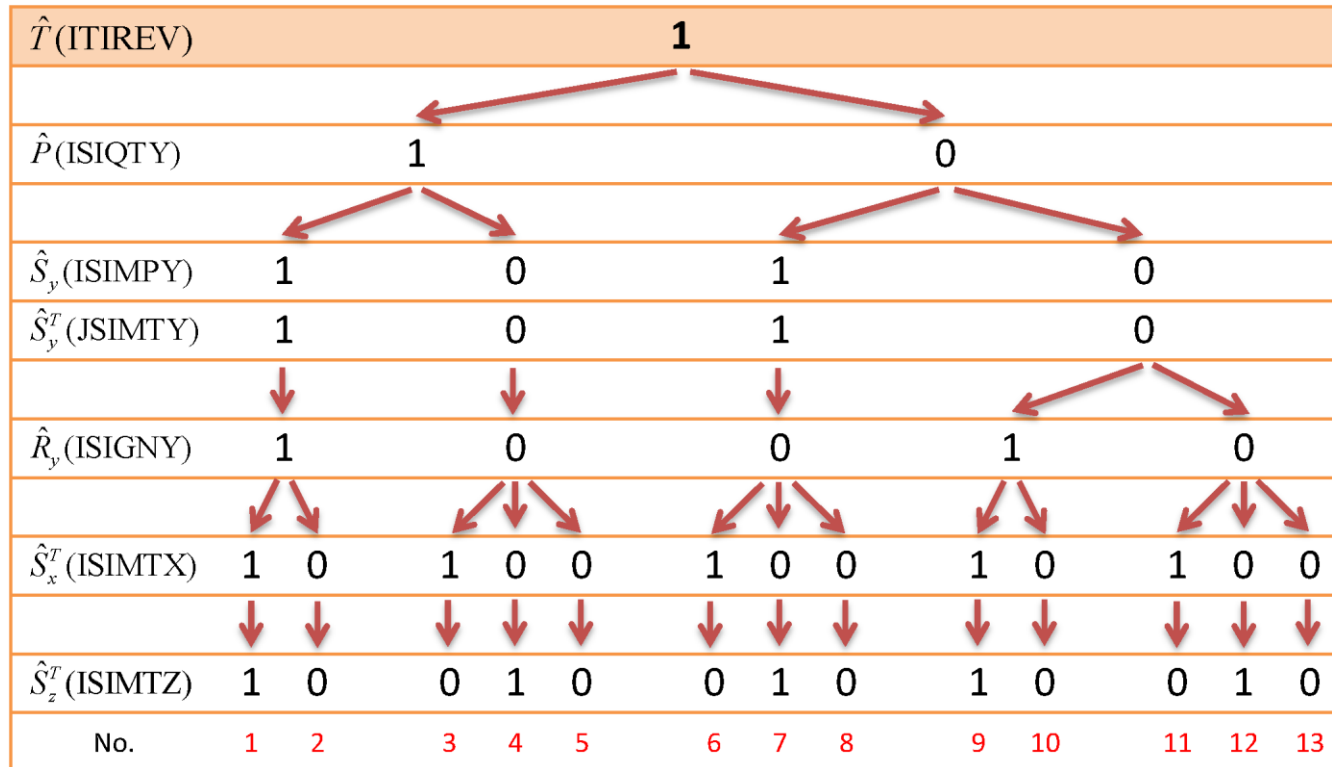
\hat{T}	\hat{S}_y	\hat{S}_y^T
\hat{P}	\hat{S}_y	\hat{R}_y
\hat{R}_y	\hat{S}_x^T	\hat{S}_z^T
1	1	1
1	0	0
0	1	0
0	0	1
0	0	0



$$\hat{S}_y = 1 \Rightarrow Q_{\lambda\mu} = \langle \hat{Q}_{\lambda\mu} \rangle \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$Q_{\lambda\text{-odd},\mu} \neq 0 \text{ only for } \hat{P} = 0$$

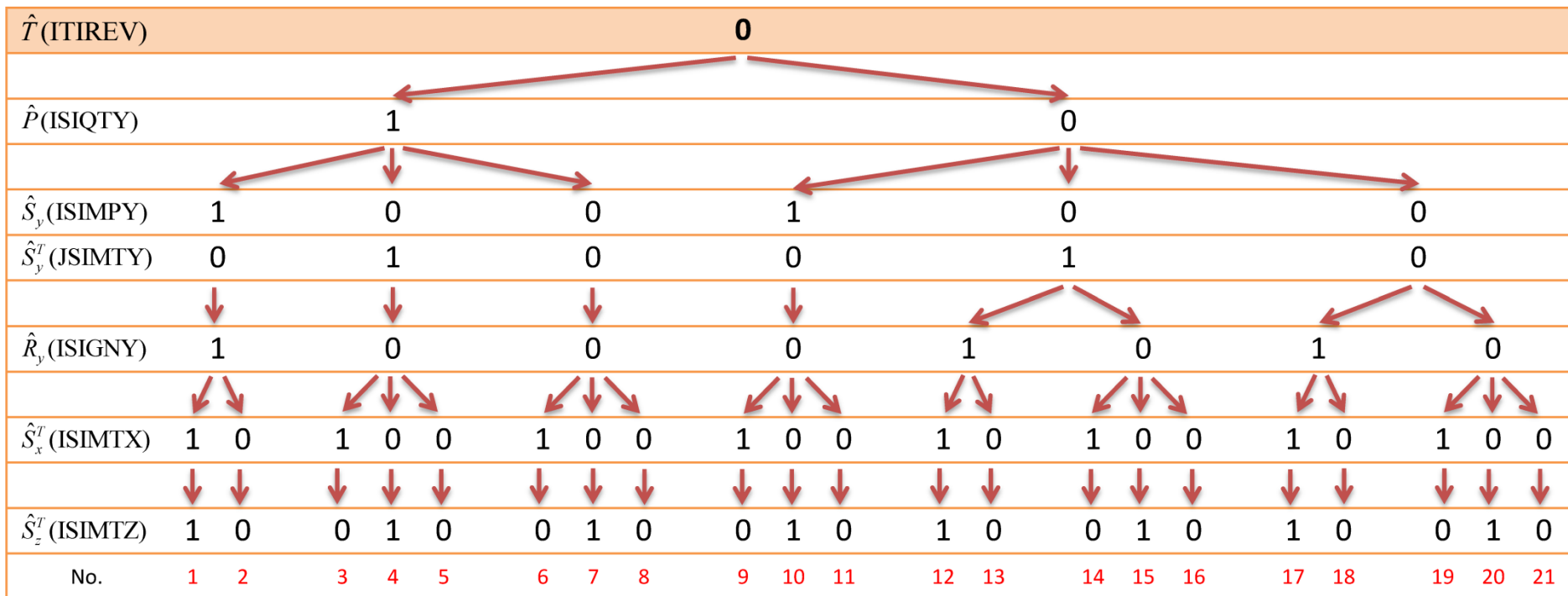
HFODD: all allowed symmetries (for $T=1$)



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**symmetric
 fission**

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**asymmetric
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HFODD: all allowed symmetries (for $T=0$)



Model

The symmetry unrestricted code HFODD [1] and an augmented Lagrangian method [2] were used to solve constrained HFB equations with SkM* Skyrme force [3] in the p-h channel and a density dependent mixed pairing [4, 5] interaction in the p-p channel.

The stretched harmonic oscillator basis of HFODD was composed of states having not more than $N_0 = 26$ quanta in either of the Cartesian directions, and not more than 1140 states in total.

The collective mass tensor of the fissioning superfluid nucleus was computed by means of the perturbative cranking approximation to the adiabatic time-dependent Hartree-Fock-Bogoliubov approach [6].

	SkM*	SLy4	Units/Comments
t_0	-2645.0	-2488.913	MeV fm ³
t_1	410.0	486.818	MeV fm ⁵
t_2	-135.0	-546.395	MeV fm ⁵
t_3	15595.0	13777.0	MeV fm ^{3+α}
x_0	0.09	0.834	-
x_1	0.0	-0.344	-
x_2	0.0	-1.000	-
x_3	0.0	1.354	-
$1/\alpha$	6.0	6.0	-
W_0	120.0	123.0	MeV fm ⁵
C_t^J	0.0	0.0	(spin-orbit tensor term, J^2)
ρ_{st}	0.16	0.16	fm ⁻³
β	1.0	1.0	-
E_{cut}	60	-	MeV (HFB)
E_{cut}	-	N or Z	(no. of s.p. states, BCS)
V^1	0.5	1	(0.5-mixed, 1-surface pairing)
V_n^0	-268.9	-842.0	MeV fm ³
V_p^0	-332.5	-1020.0	MeV fm ³

[1] N. Schunck *et al.*, **183**, 166 (2012).

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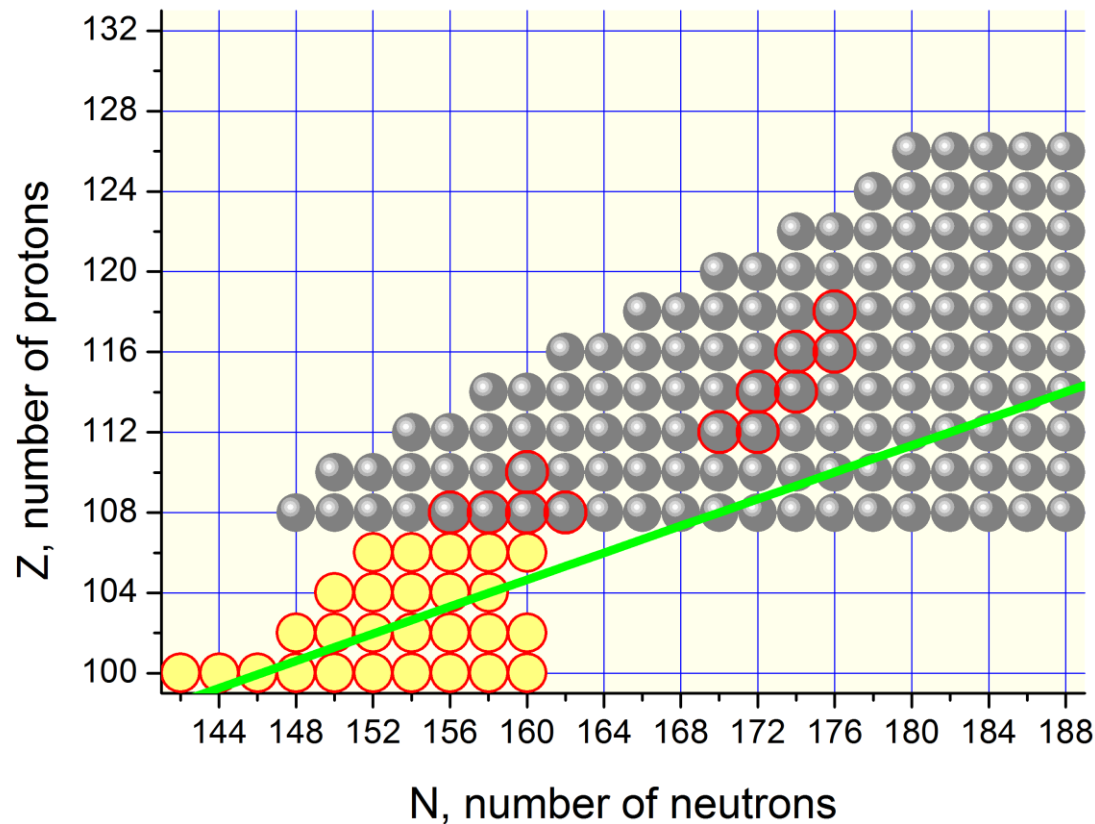
[5] A. Staszczak, A. Baran, J. Dobaczewski, and W. Nazarewicz, *Phys. Rev. C* **80**, 014309 (2009).

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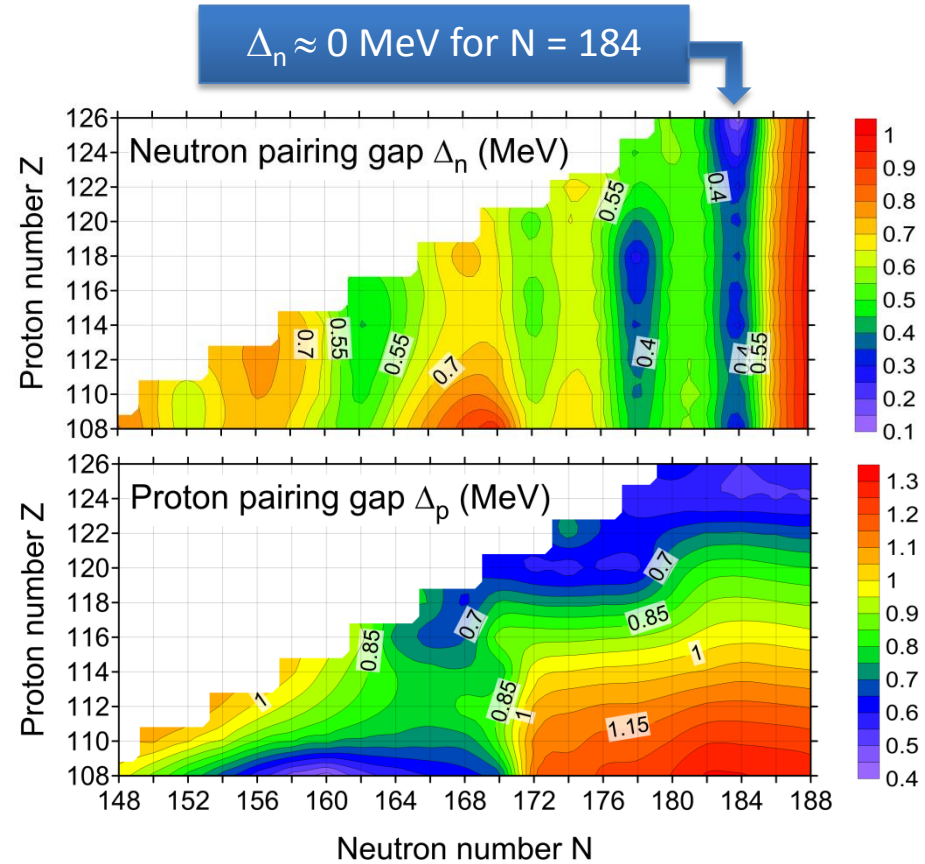
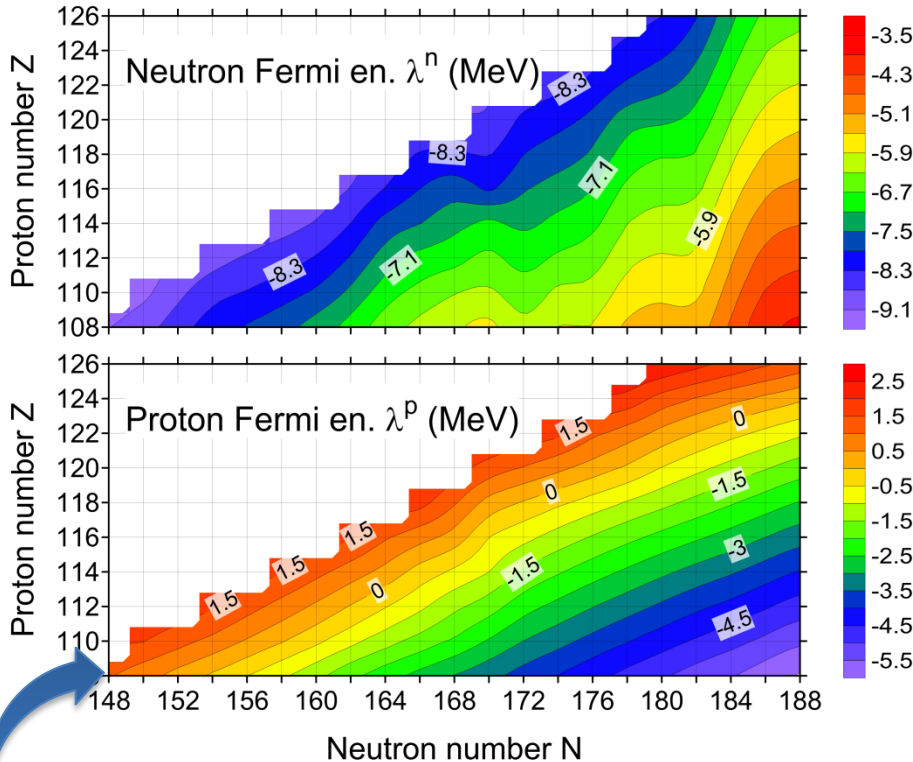
Model

The Skyrme EDF in the case of even-even nuclei (time-reversal symmetry)

$$\mathcal{E}_{Sk}^{even}(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{t=0,1} \left(C_t^{\rho} [\rho_0] \rho_t^2 + C_t^{\Delta\rho} \rho_t \Delta\rho_t + C_t^{\tau} \rho_t \tau_t + \cancel{C_t^J \mathbb{J}_t^2} \right) \quad (\text{central terms})$$
$$+ \sum_{t=0,1} \left(C_t^{\nabla J} \rho_t \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}_t \right), \quad (\text{spin-orbit term})$$

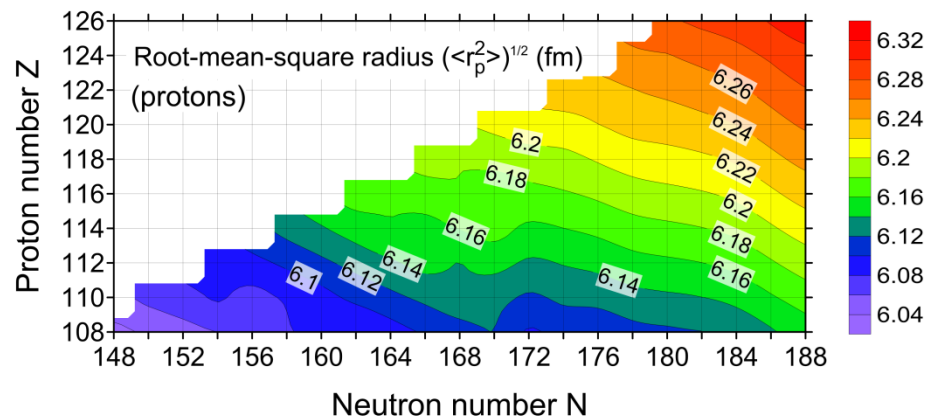
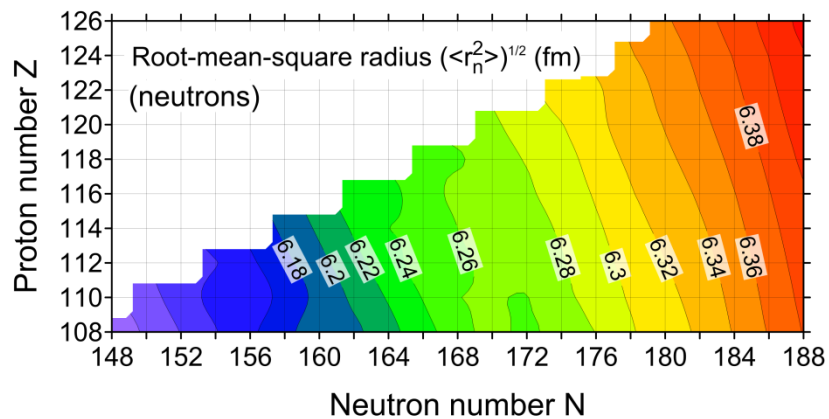
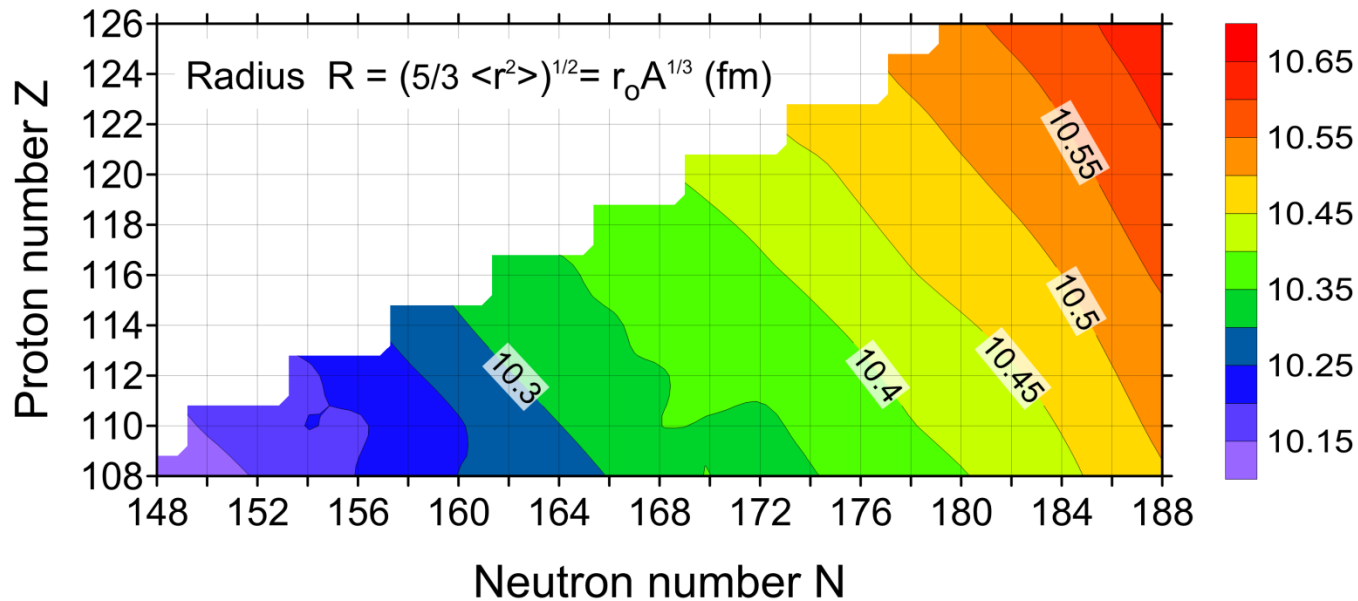


Ground state pairing properties of e-e SHN

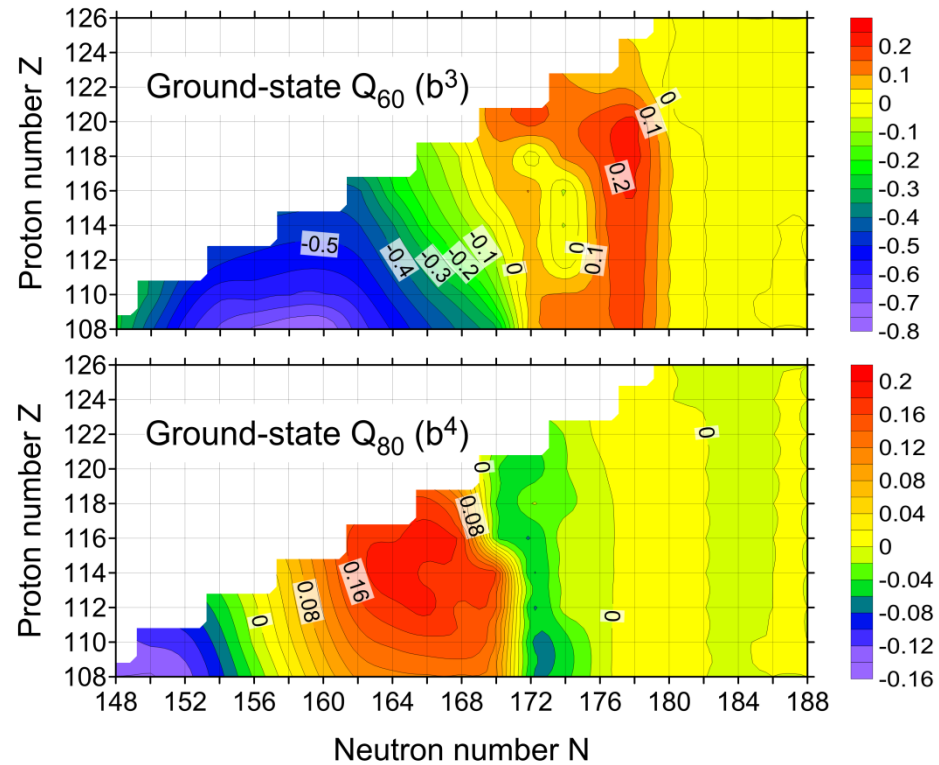
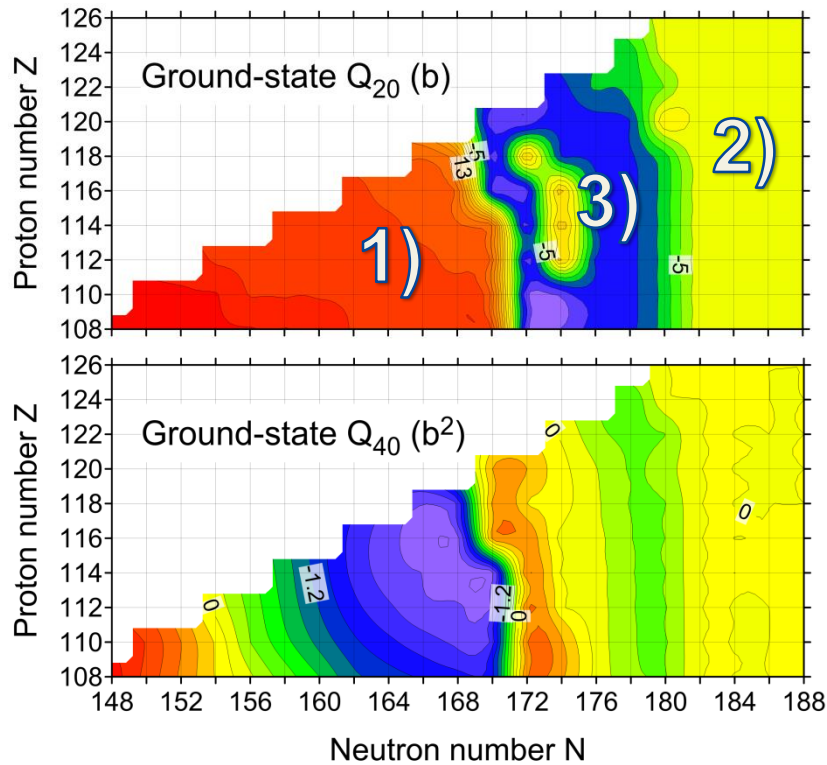


Proton drip line:
Fermi energy $\lambda^p \leq 2$ MeV.

Geometric sizes



Ground state deformations



The e-e SHN form three regions:

- 1) a prolate-deformed (for $N < 172$),
- 2) spherical ($N > 180$),
- 3) the transitional region (between the former two).

Shape phase transitions and critical-point phenomena
in atomic nuclei

R.F. Casten, Nature Physics **2**, 811 - 820 (2006)

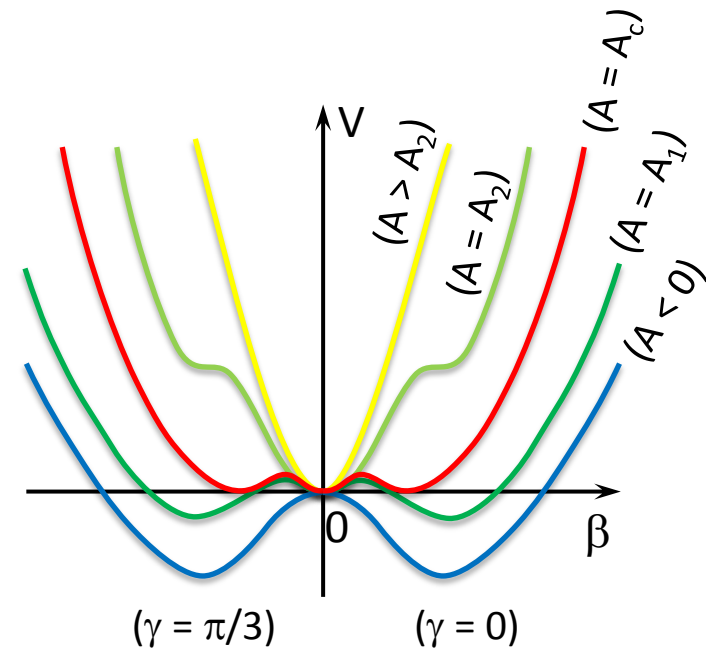
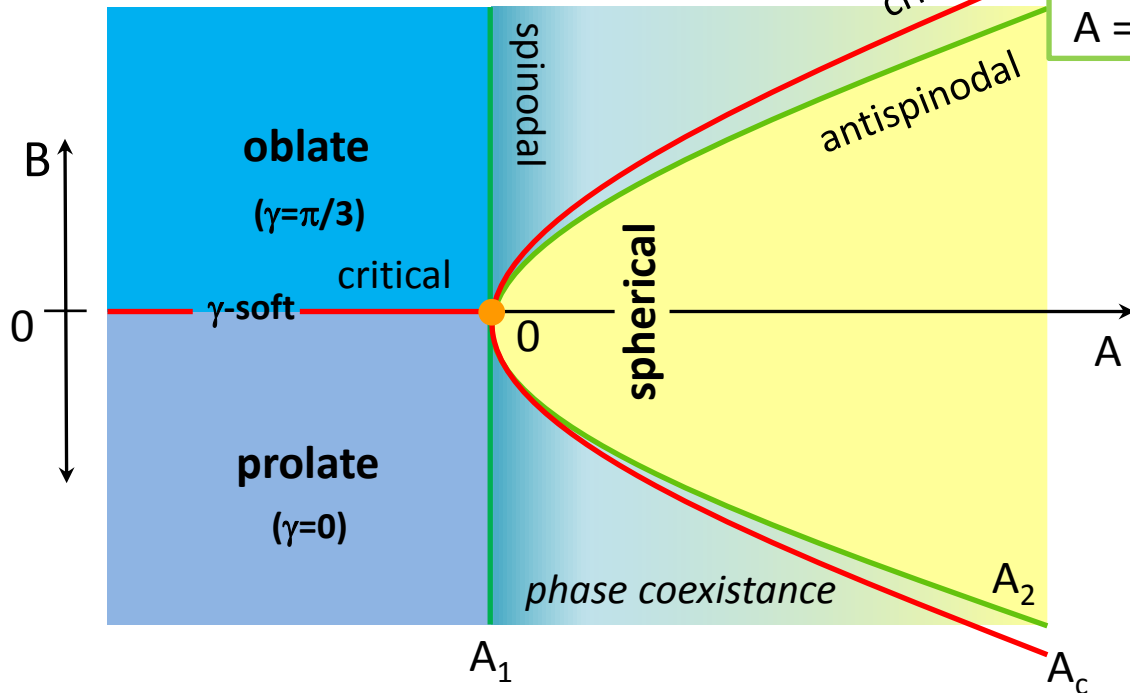
Geometric collective model (GCM) - A. Bohr (1952)

$$V(\beta, \gamma) = A\beta^2 + B\beta^3 \cos 3\gamma + C\beta^4, \quad (C > 0)$$

$A = A_1 = 0$: *spinodal point*

$A = A_c = B^2/(4C)$: *critical point*

$A = A_2 = 9B^2/(32C)$: *antispinodal point*



$A = A_c$ ($B \neq 0$) and $A < 0$ ($B = 0$): *first-order phase transition lines*

$A = B = 0$: *second-order phase transition point (triple-point)*

Interacting boson approximation (IBA-1) – Arima, Iachello

$$U(6) \supset U(5) \supset O(5) \supset O(3)$$

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Dynamical symmetries:

$U(5)$ (vibrational)
 $SU(3), \overline{SU(3)}$ (rotational)
 $O(6), \overline{O(6)}$ (γ -soft)

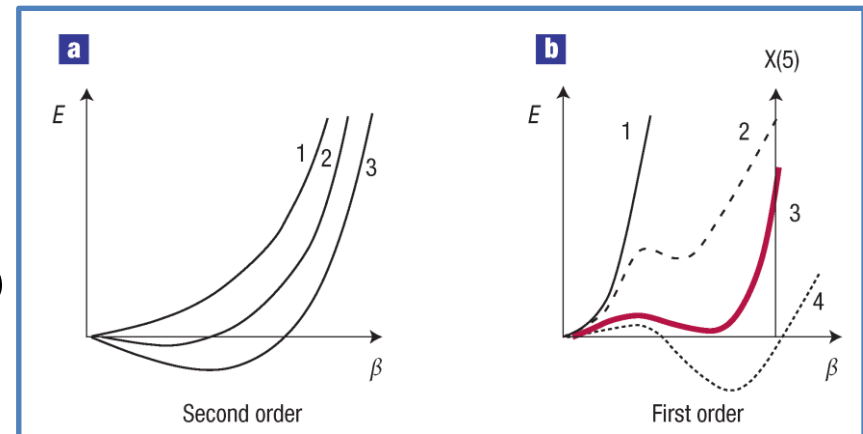
Critical-point solutions:

$$V(\beta, \gamma) = A\beta^2 + B\beta^3 \cos 3\gamma + C\beta^4$$

$$V(\beta, \gamma) \approx V_1(\beta) + V_2(\gamma)$$

$$X(5): \quad V_1 = V_{\text{well}}(\beta), \quad V_2 = c(\gamma - \gamma_0)^2, \quad (c > 0)$$

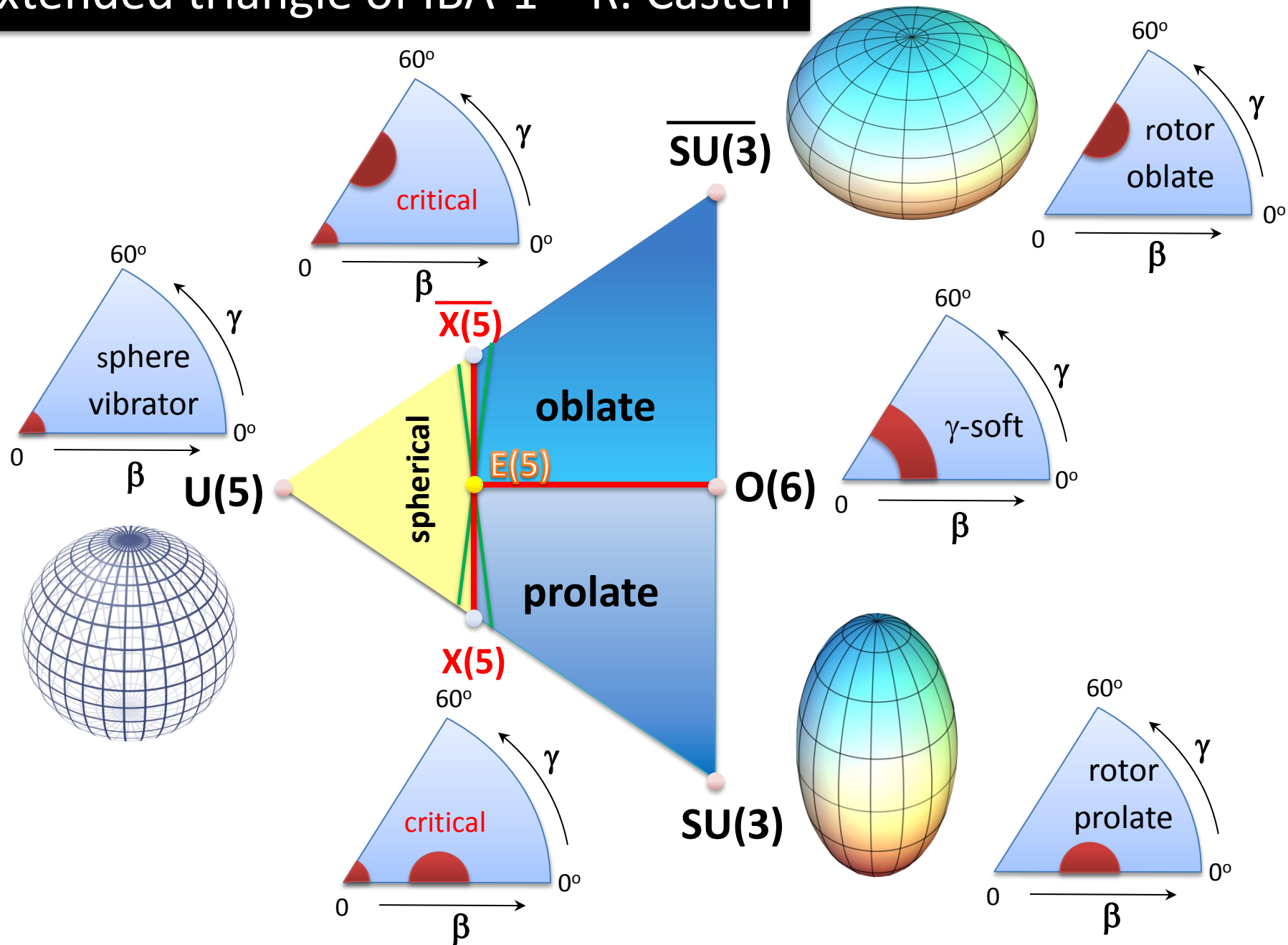
$$E(5): \quad V_1 = V_{\text{well}}(\beta), \quad V_2 \equiv 0$$



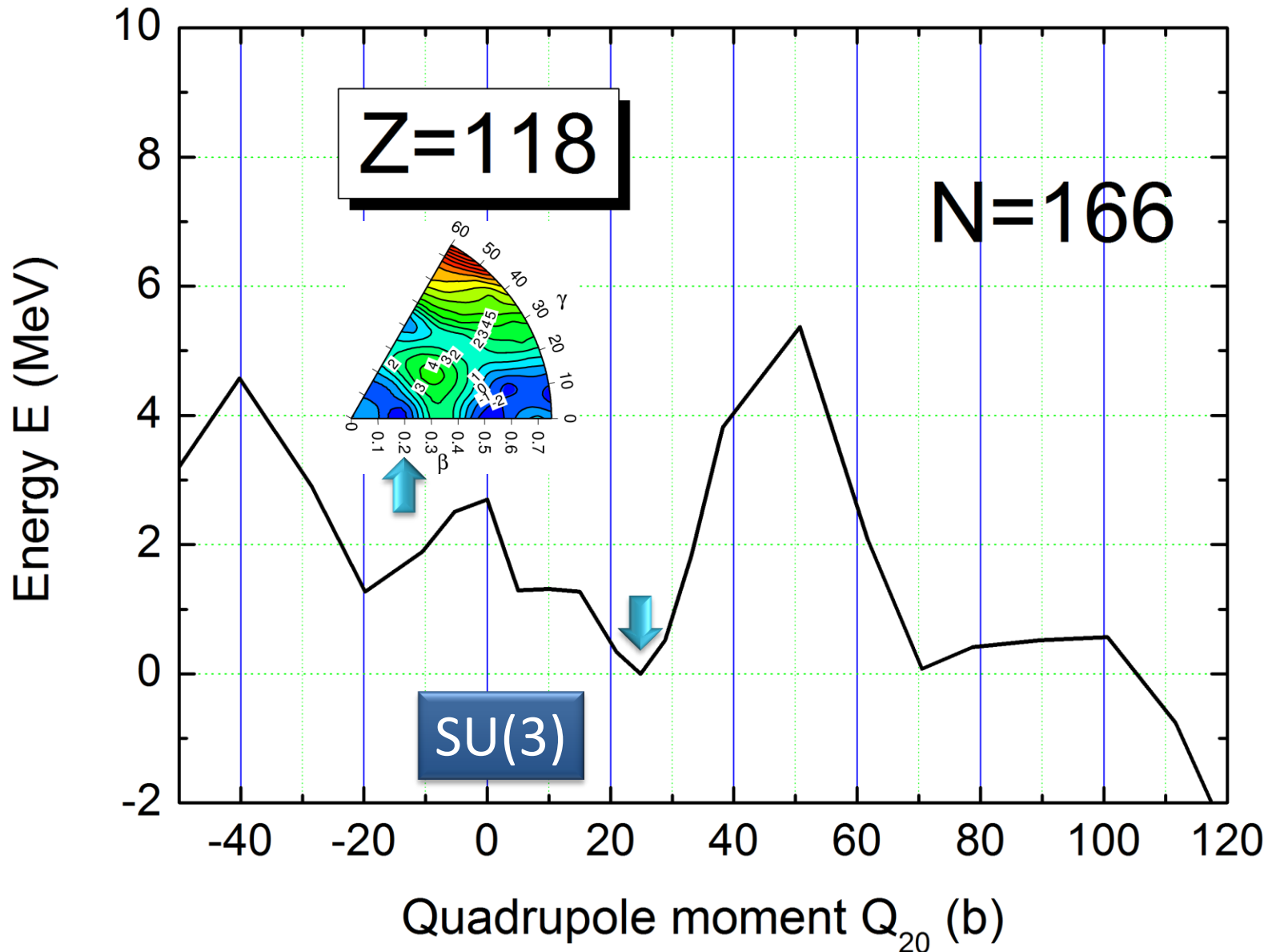
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(Fig. Casten)

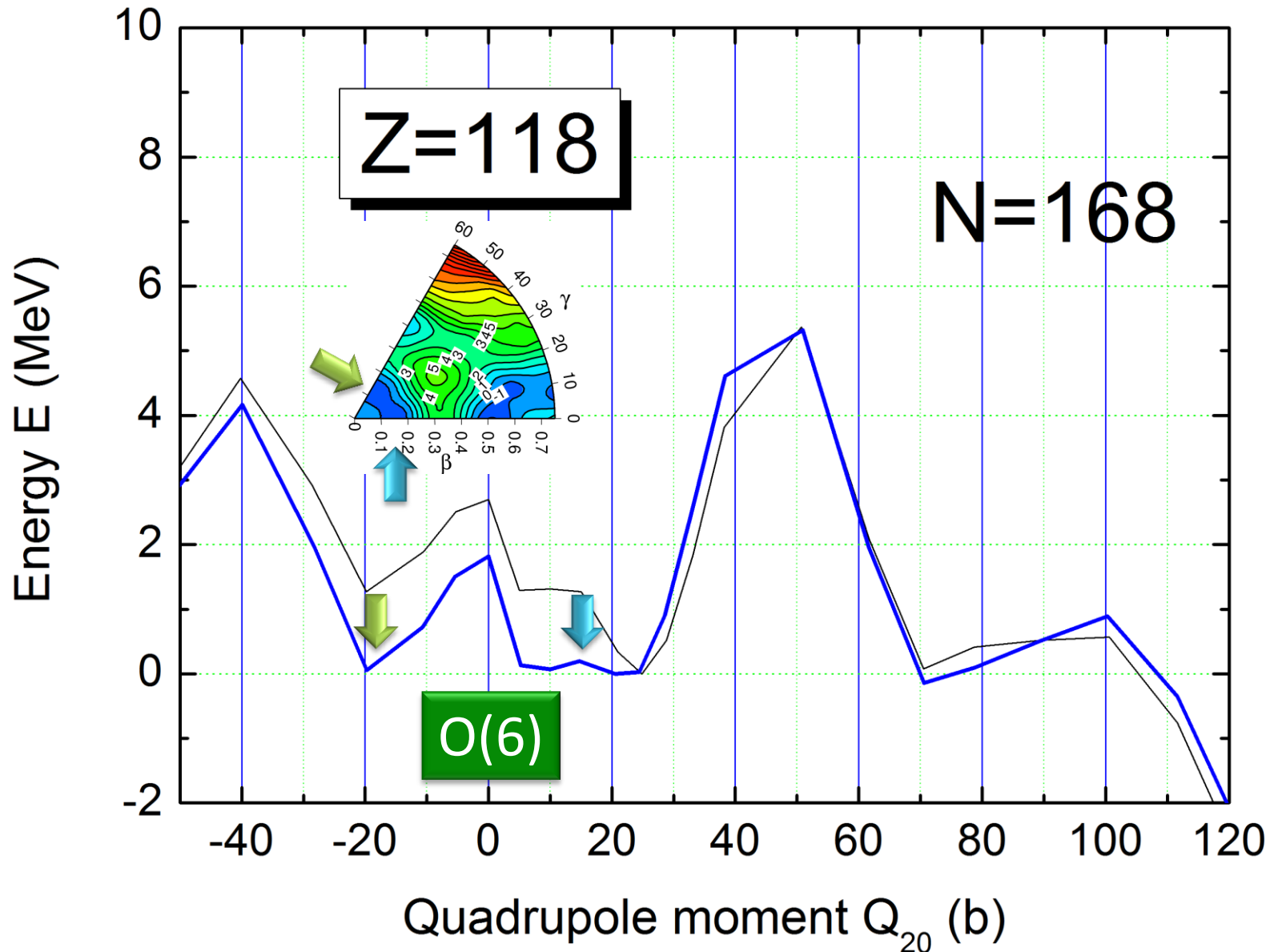
Extended triangle of IBA-1 – R. Casten



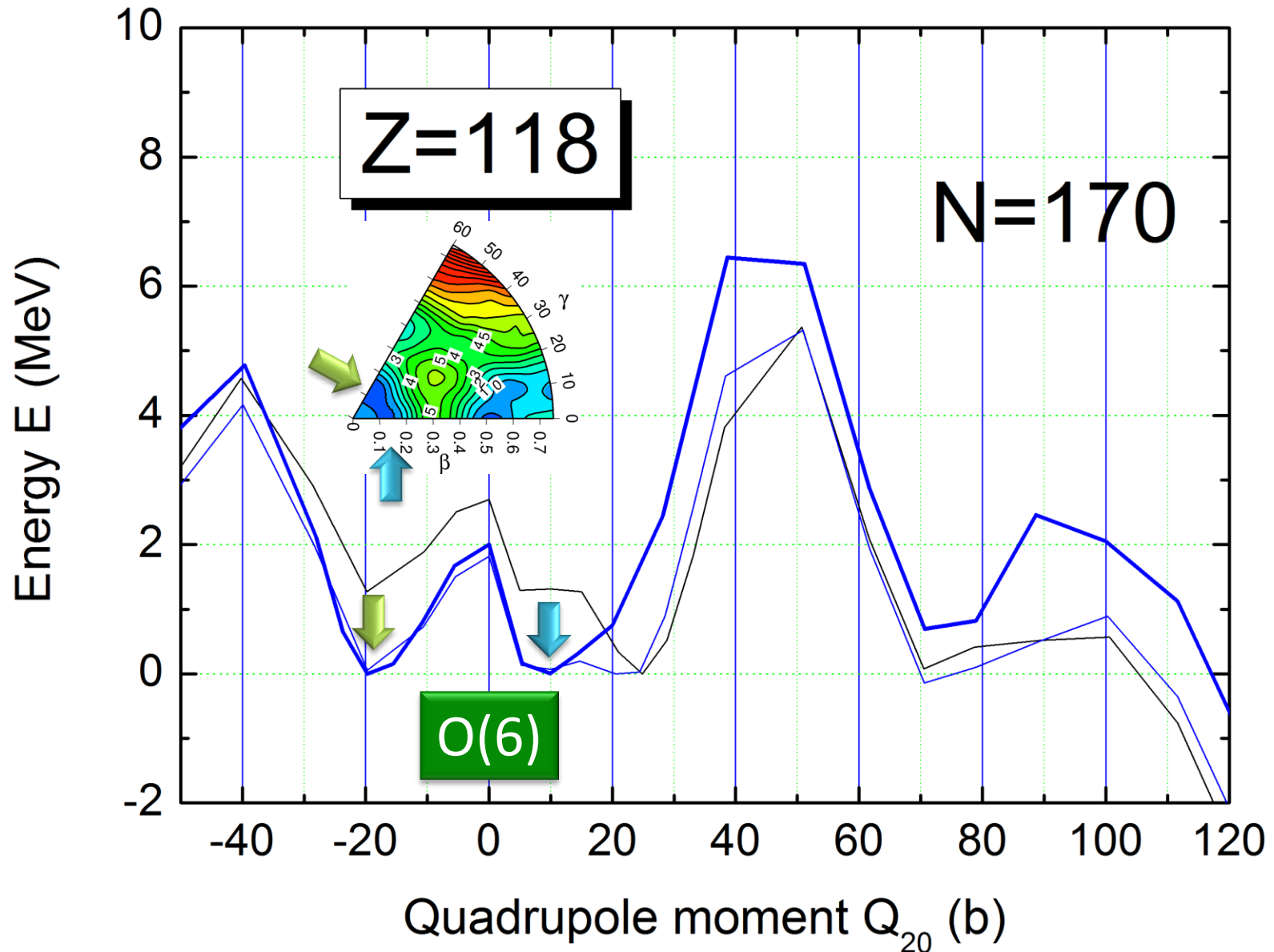
Nuclear shape phase transitions



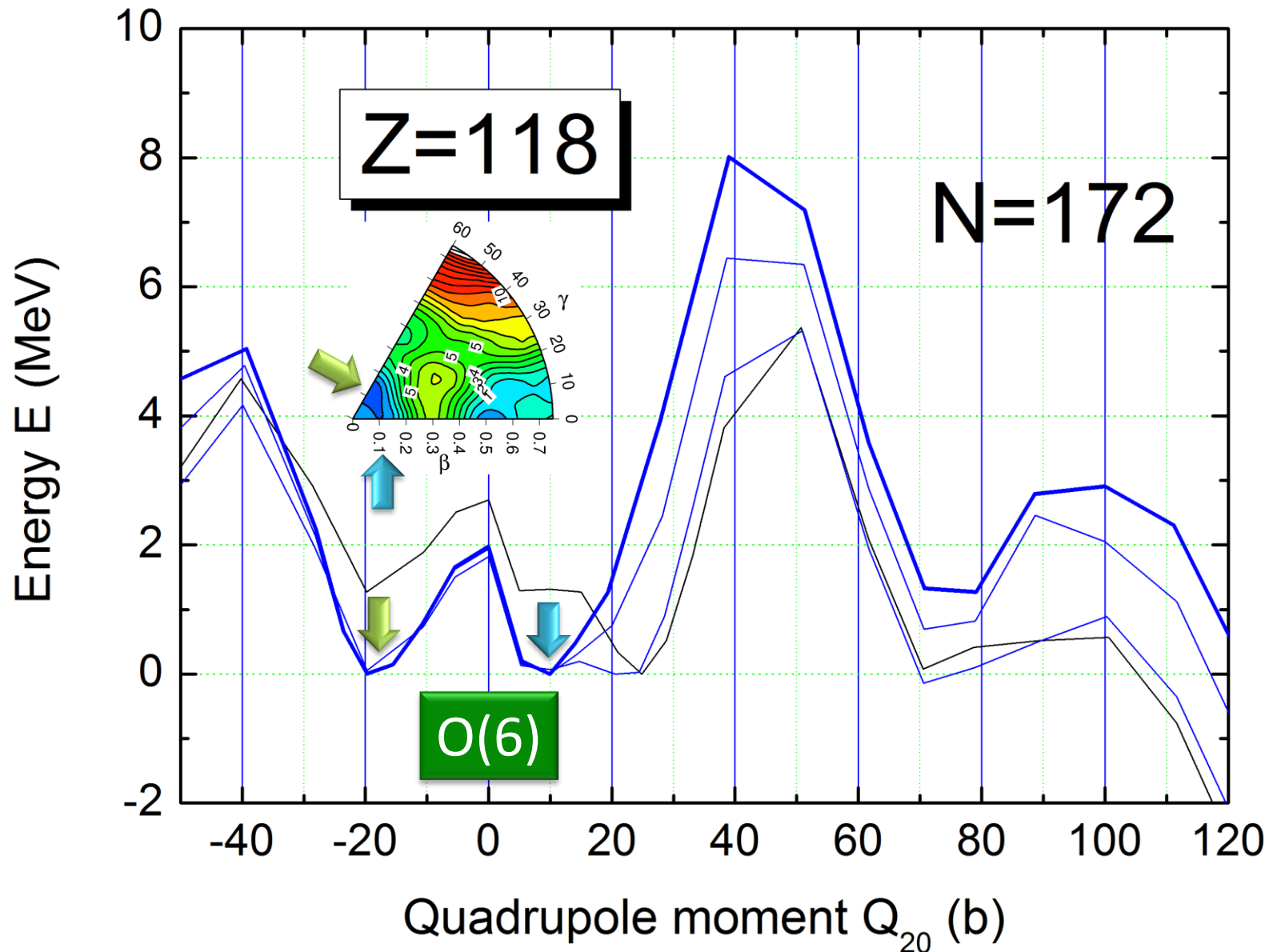
Second order phase transition O(6) – U(5)



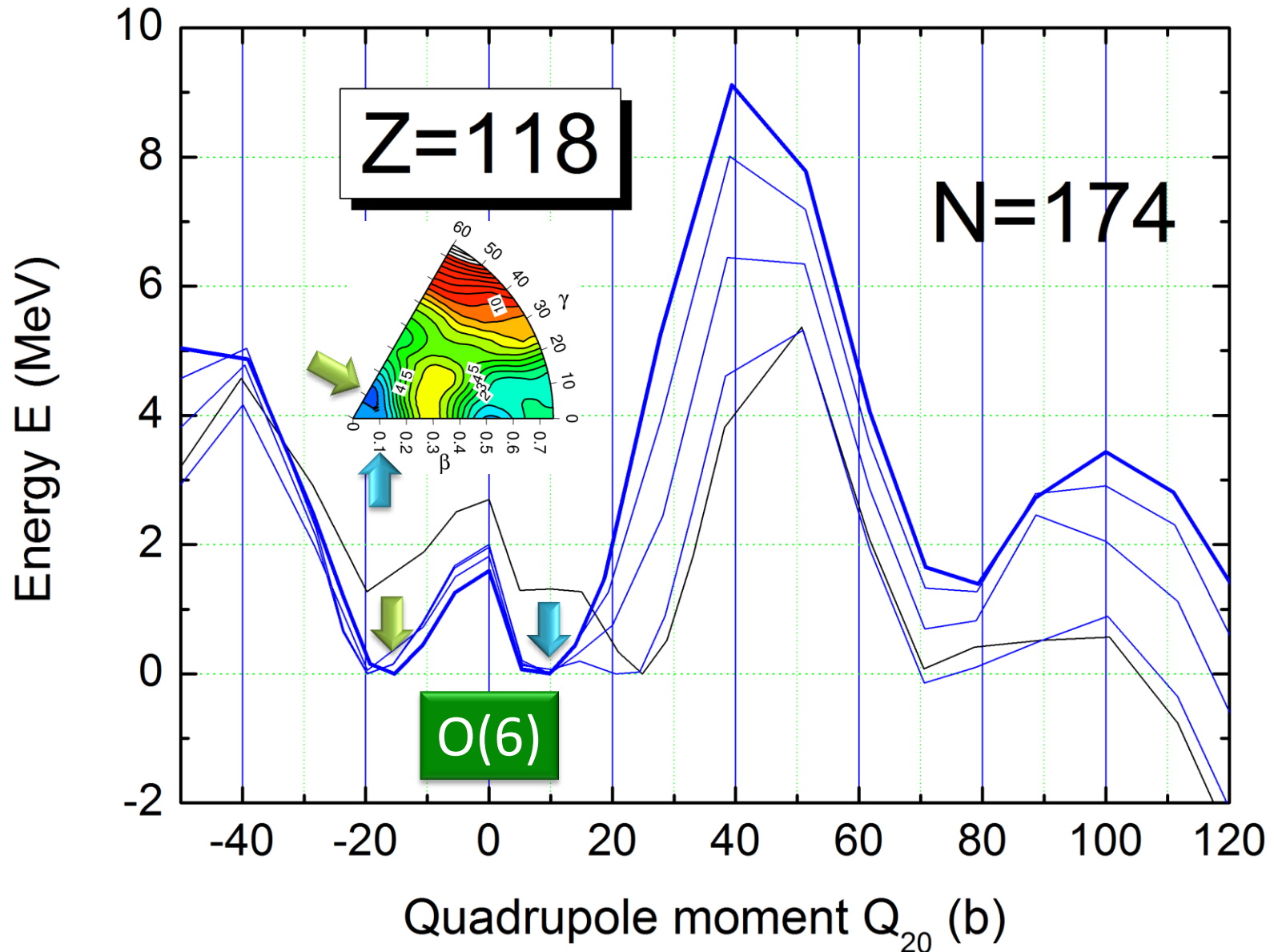
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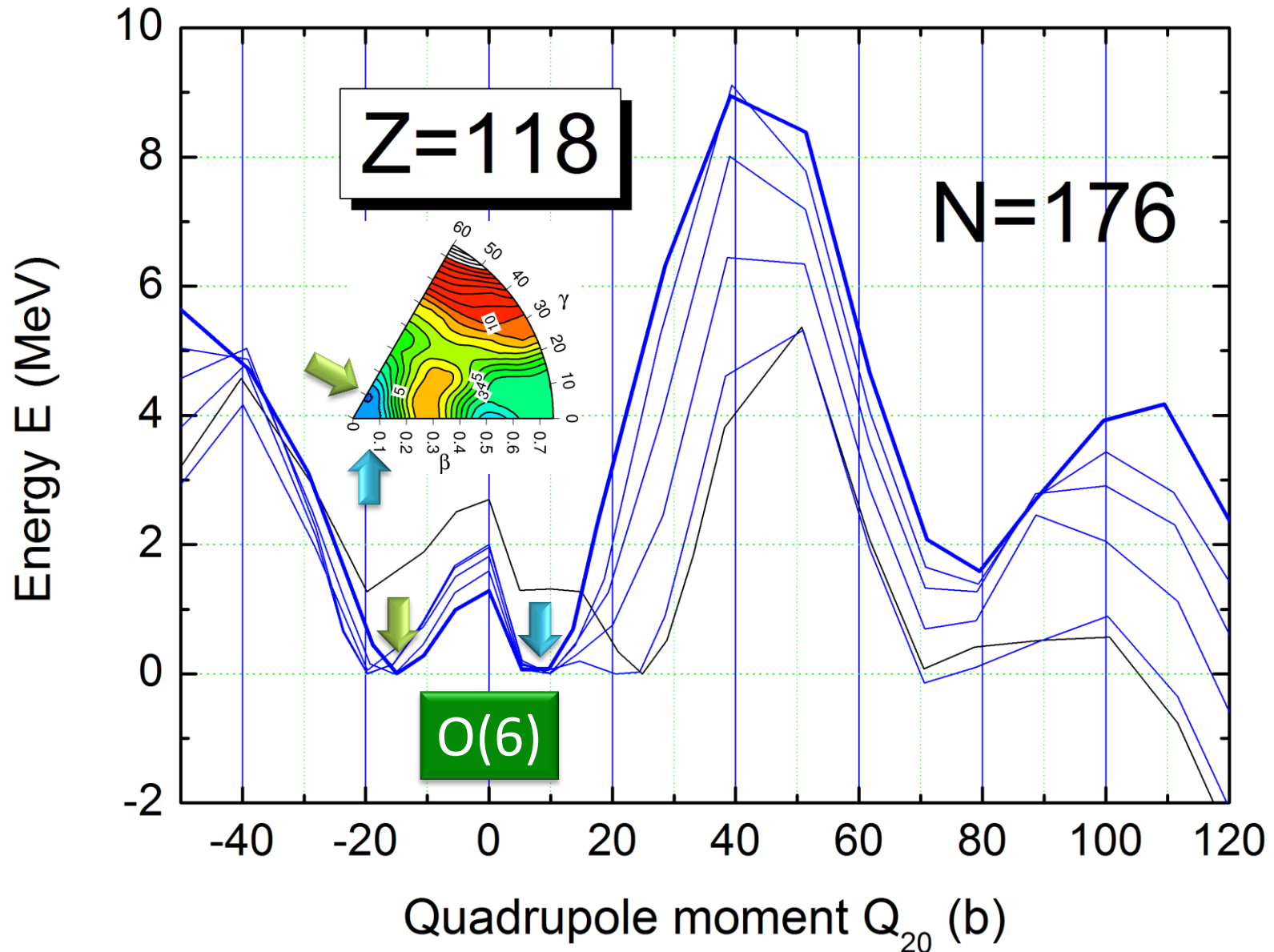
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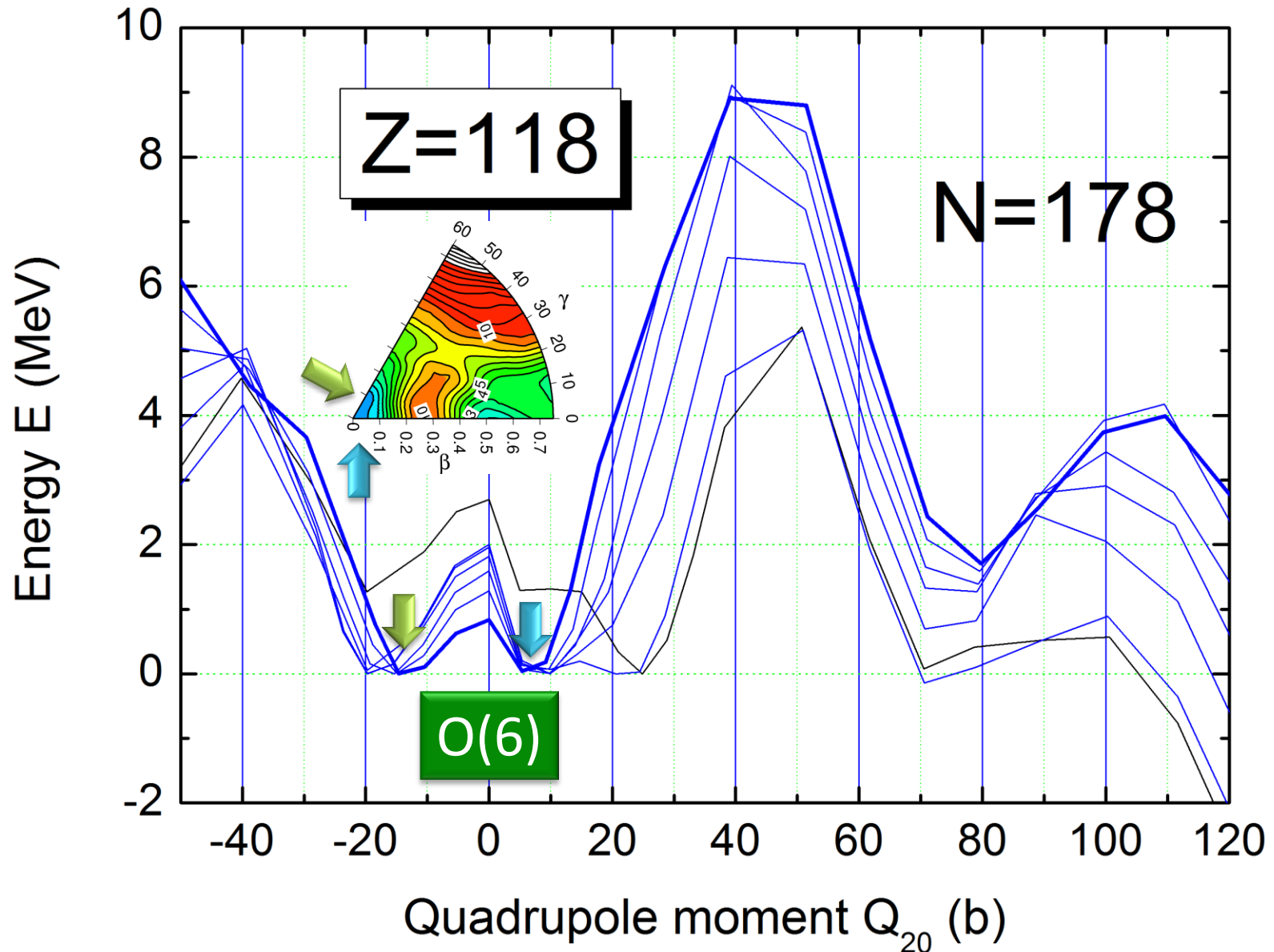
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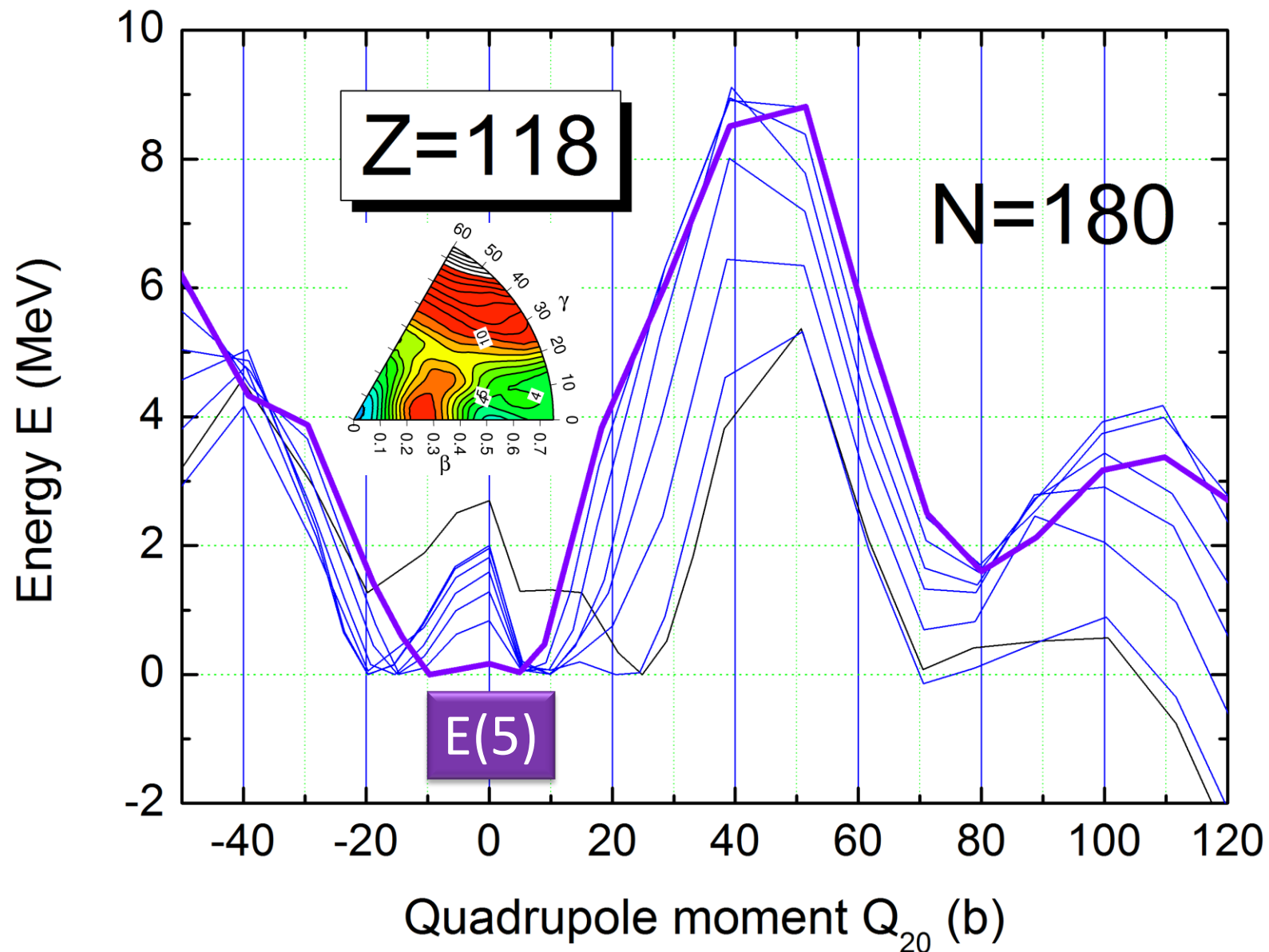
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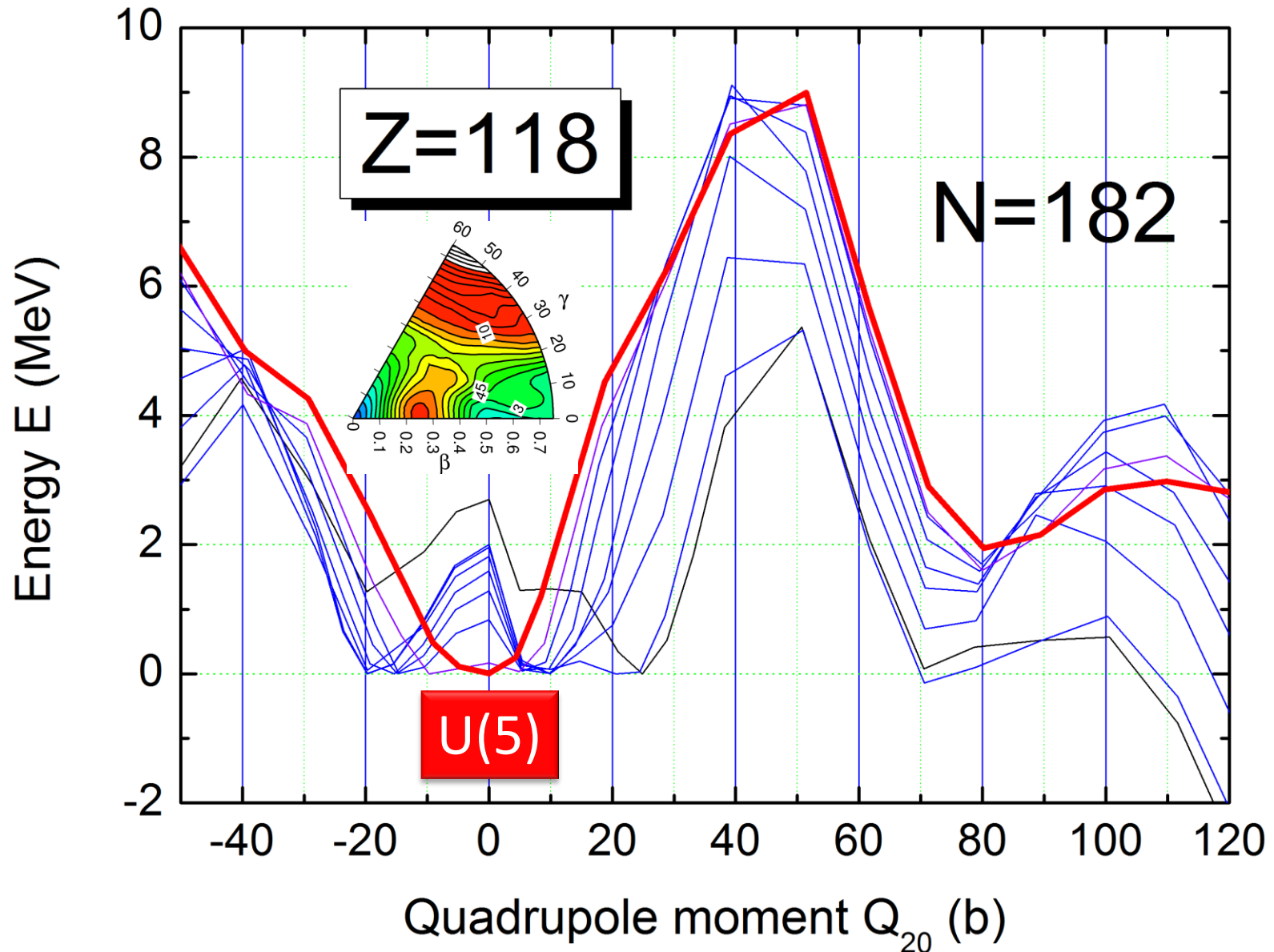
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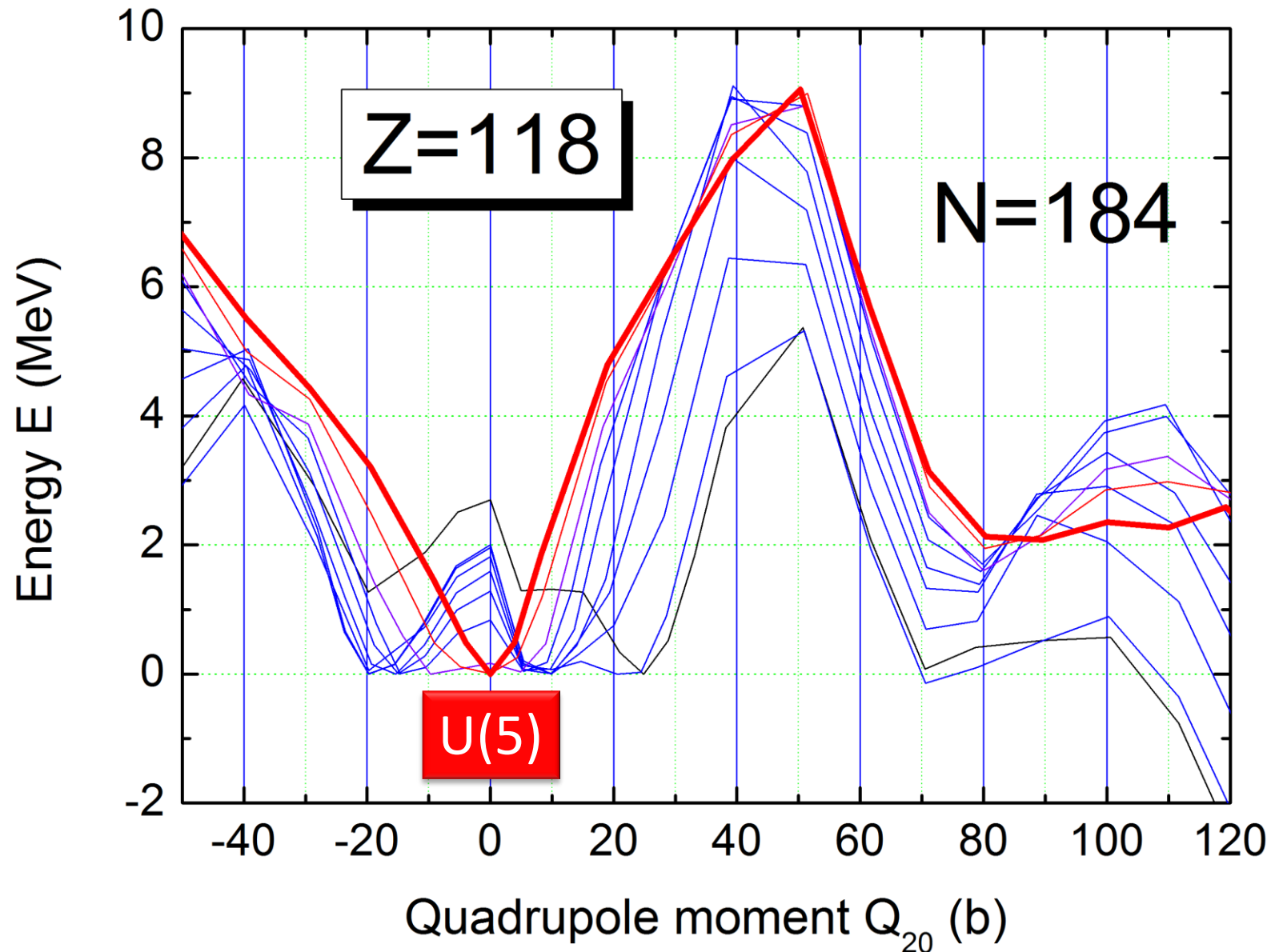
Critical (triple) point E(5)



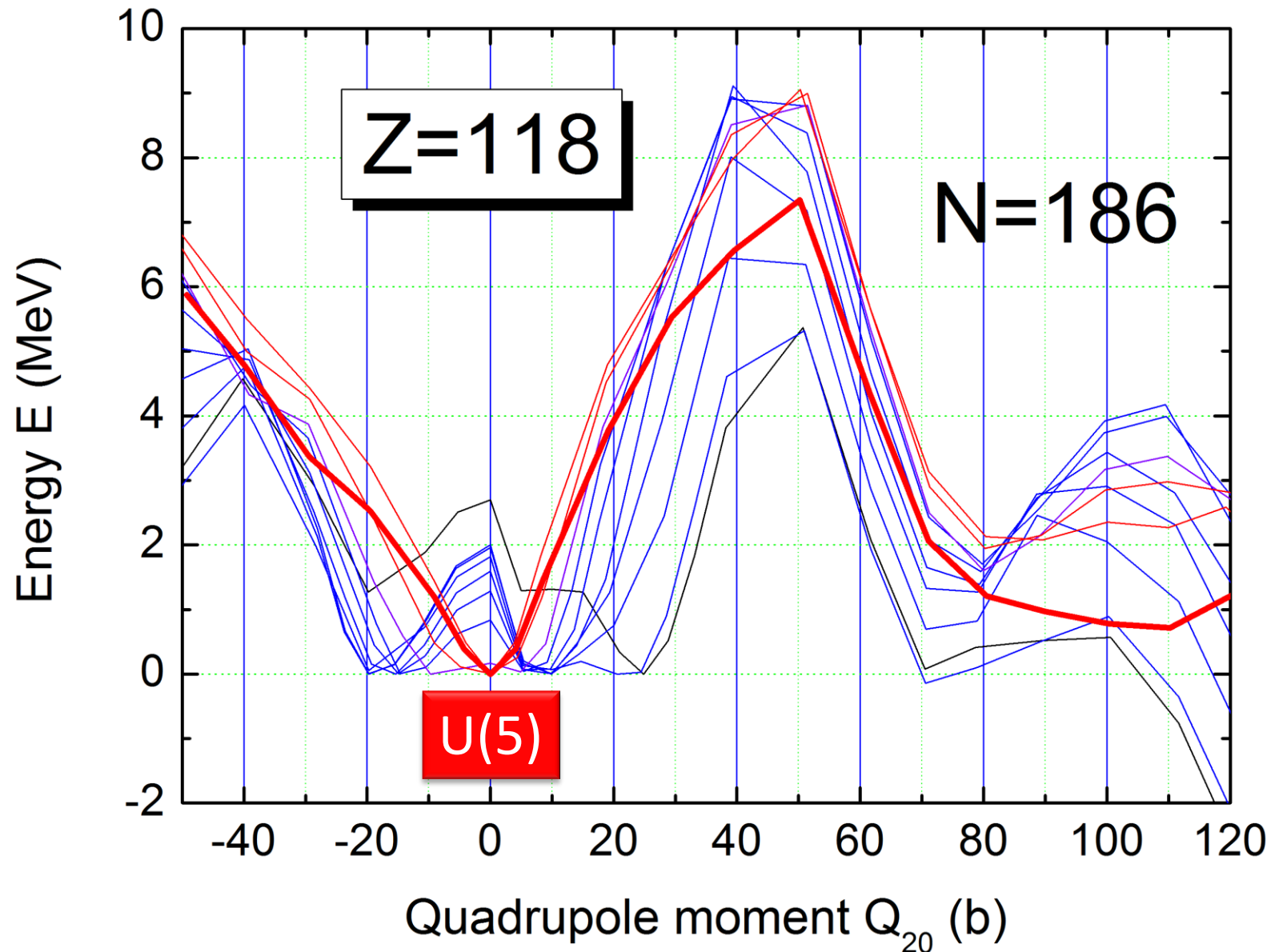
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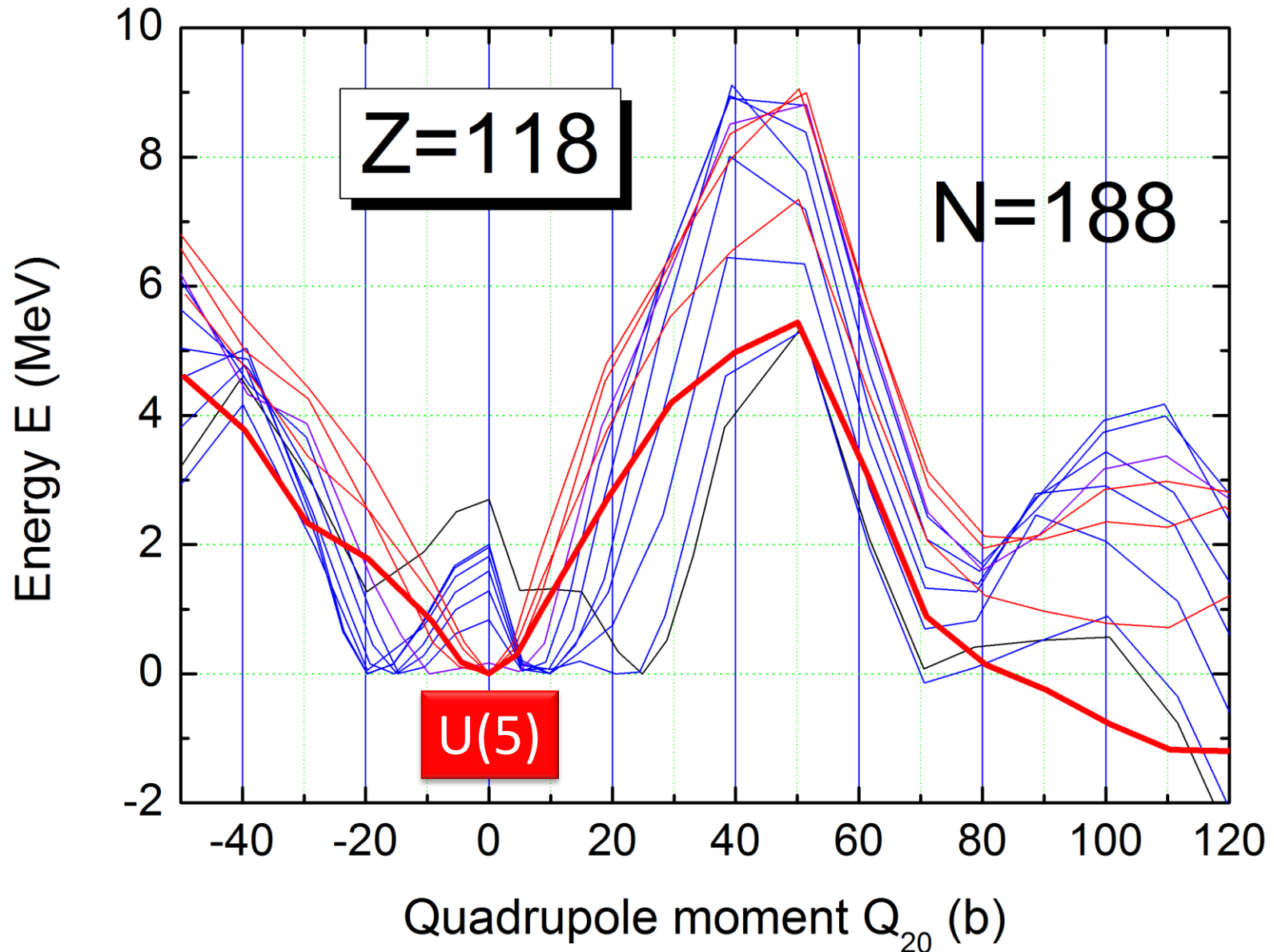
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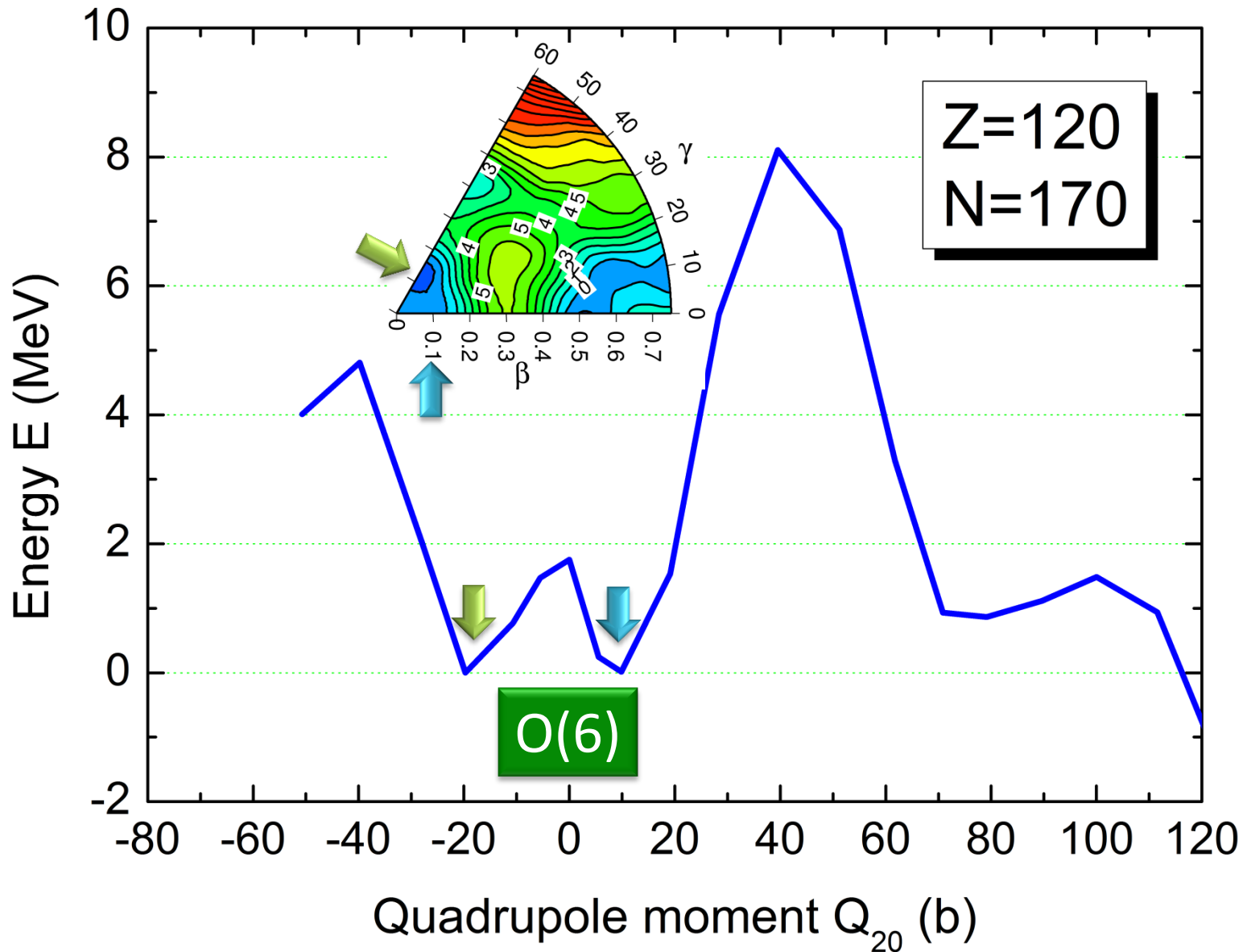
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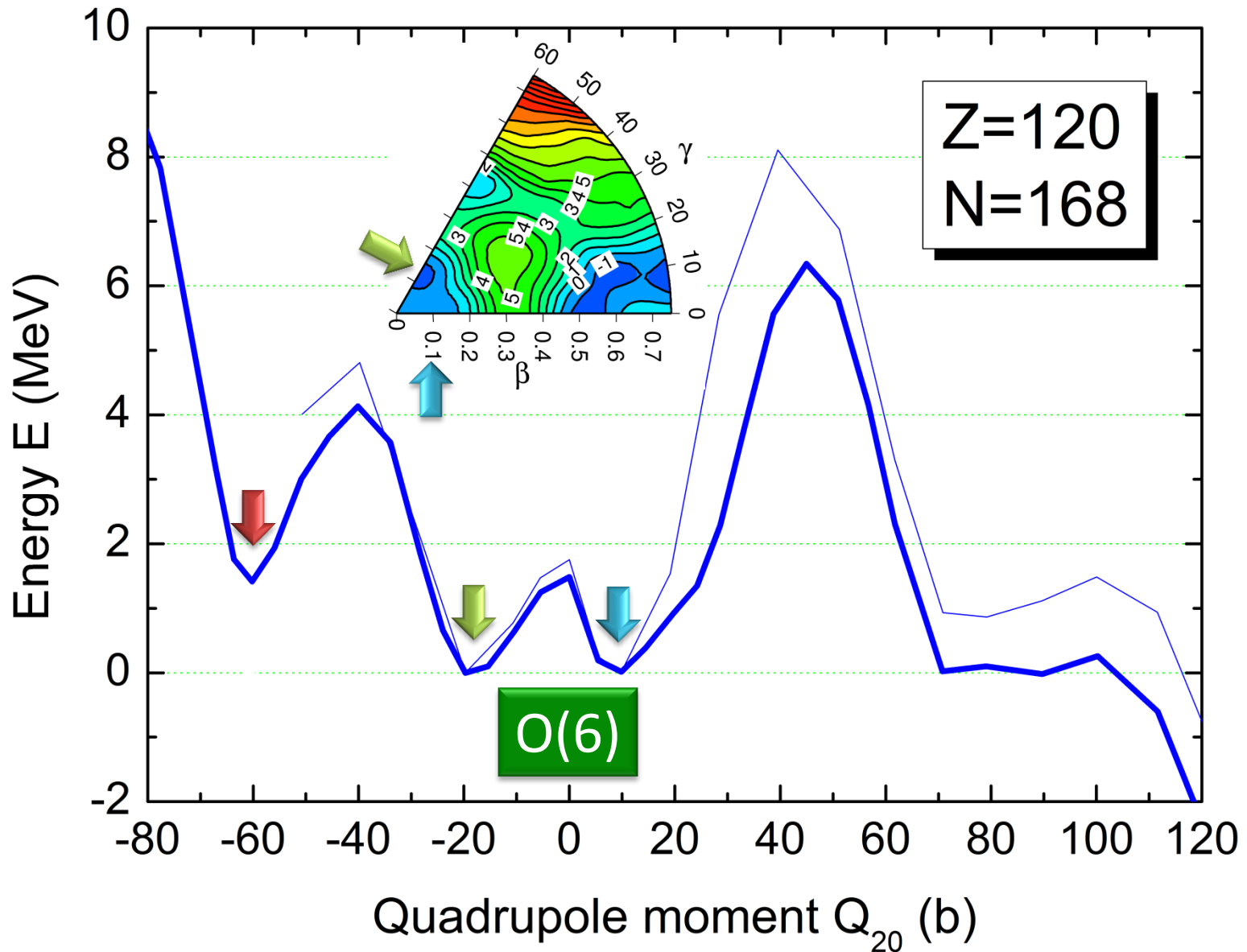
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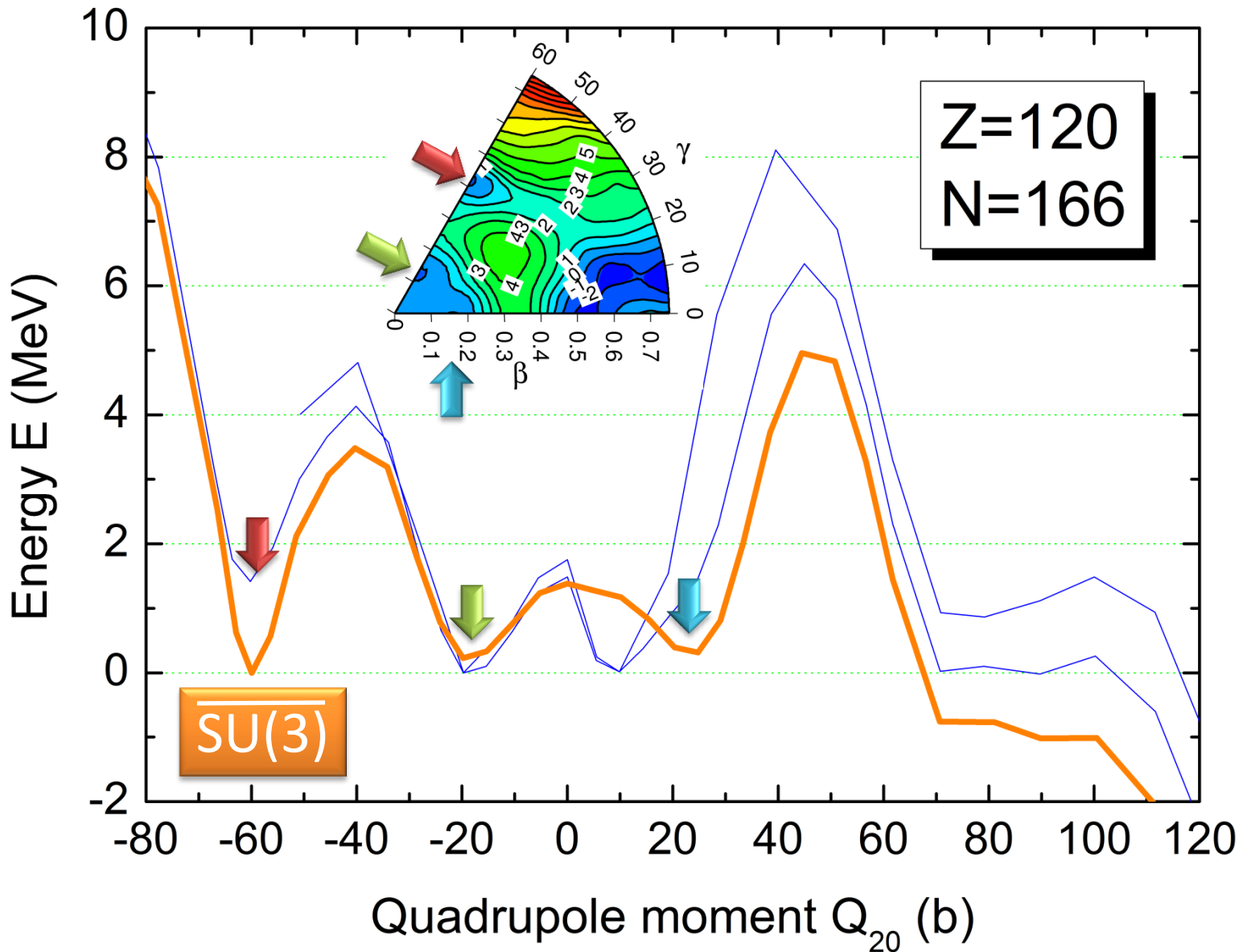
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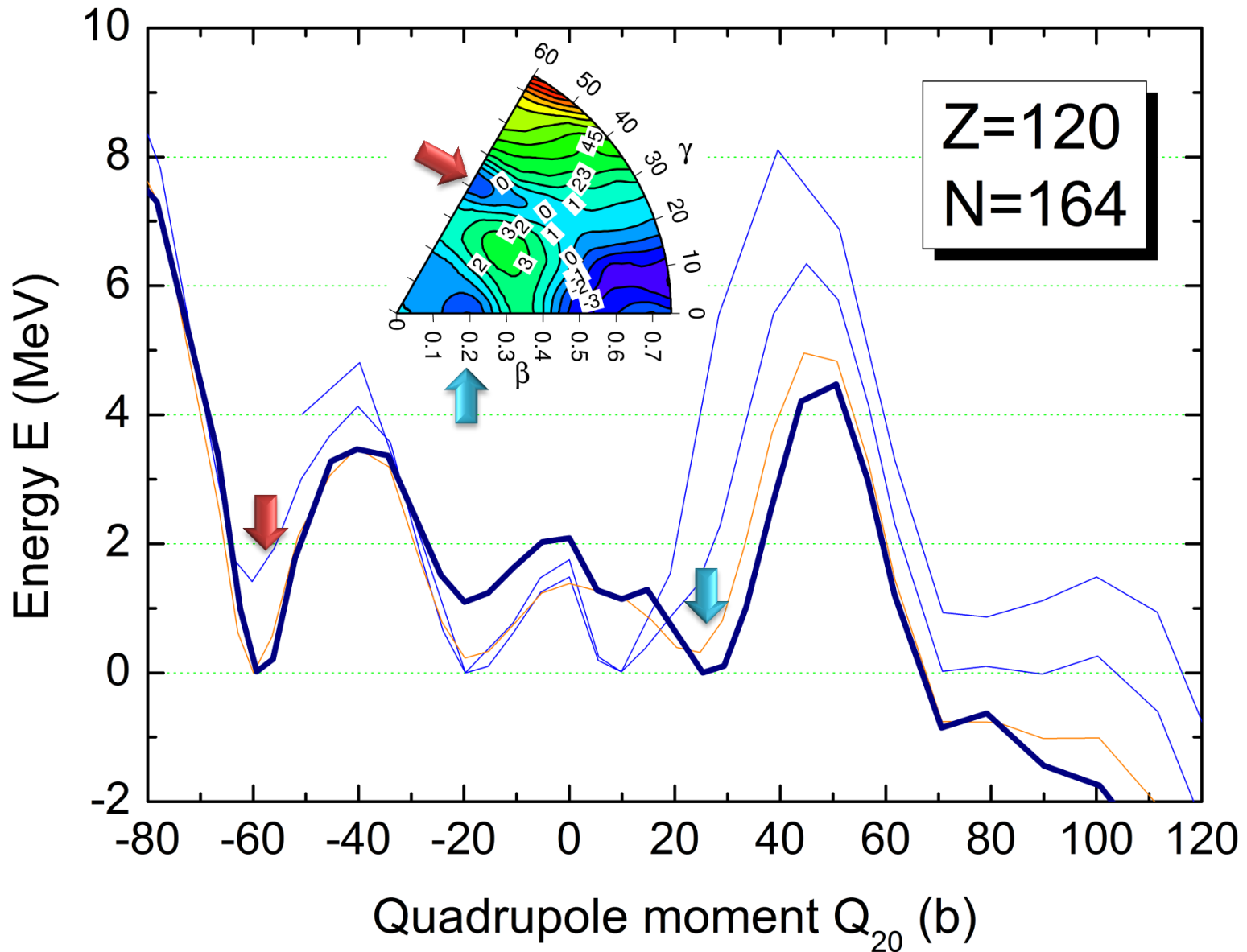
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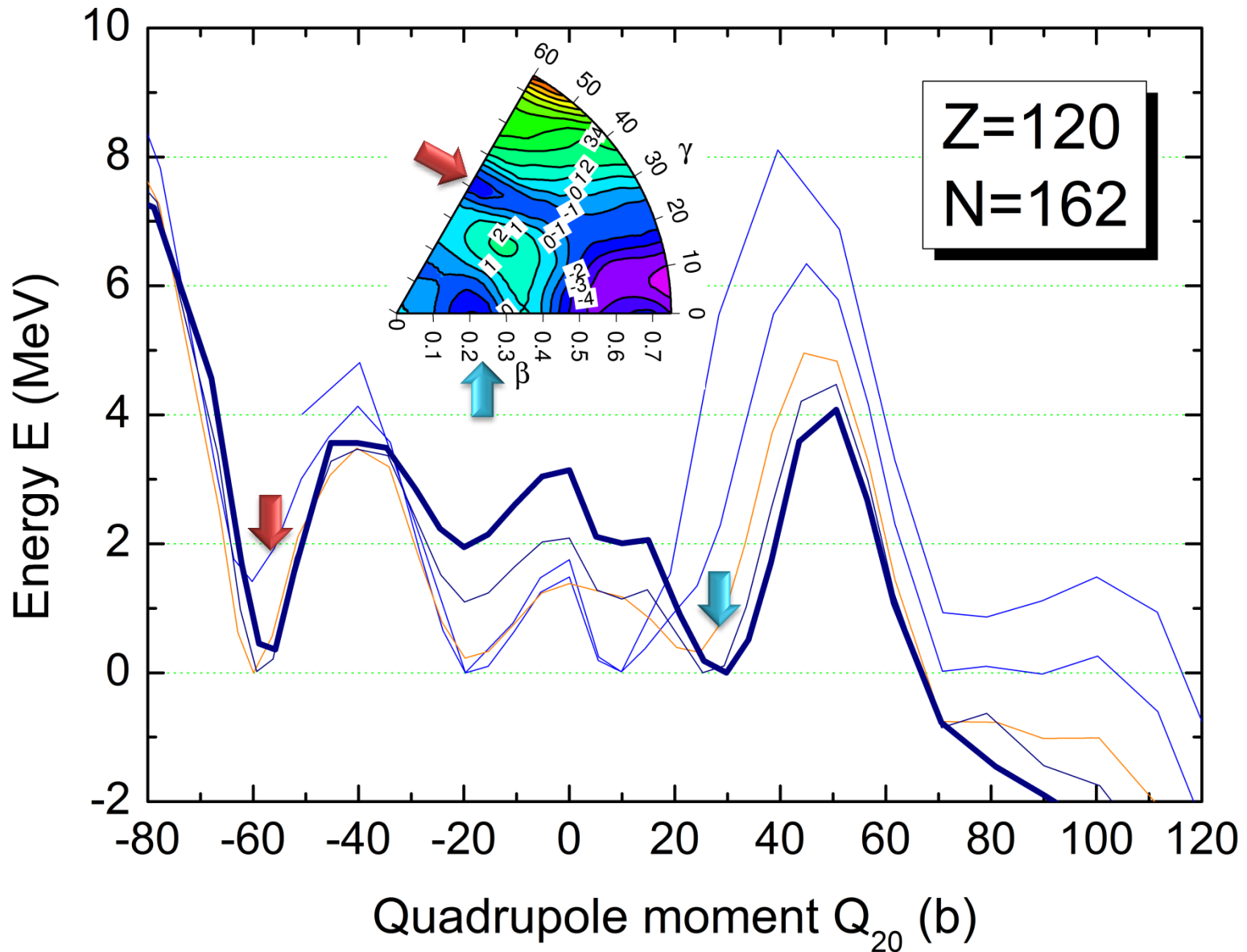
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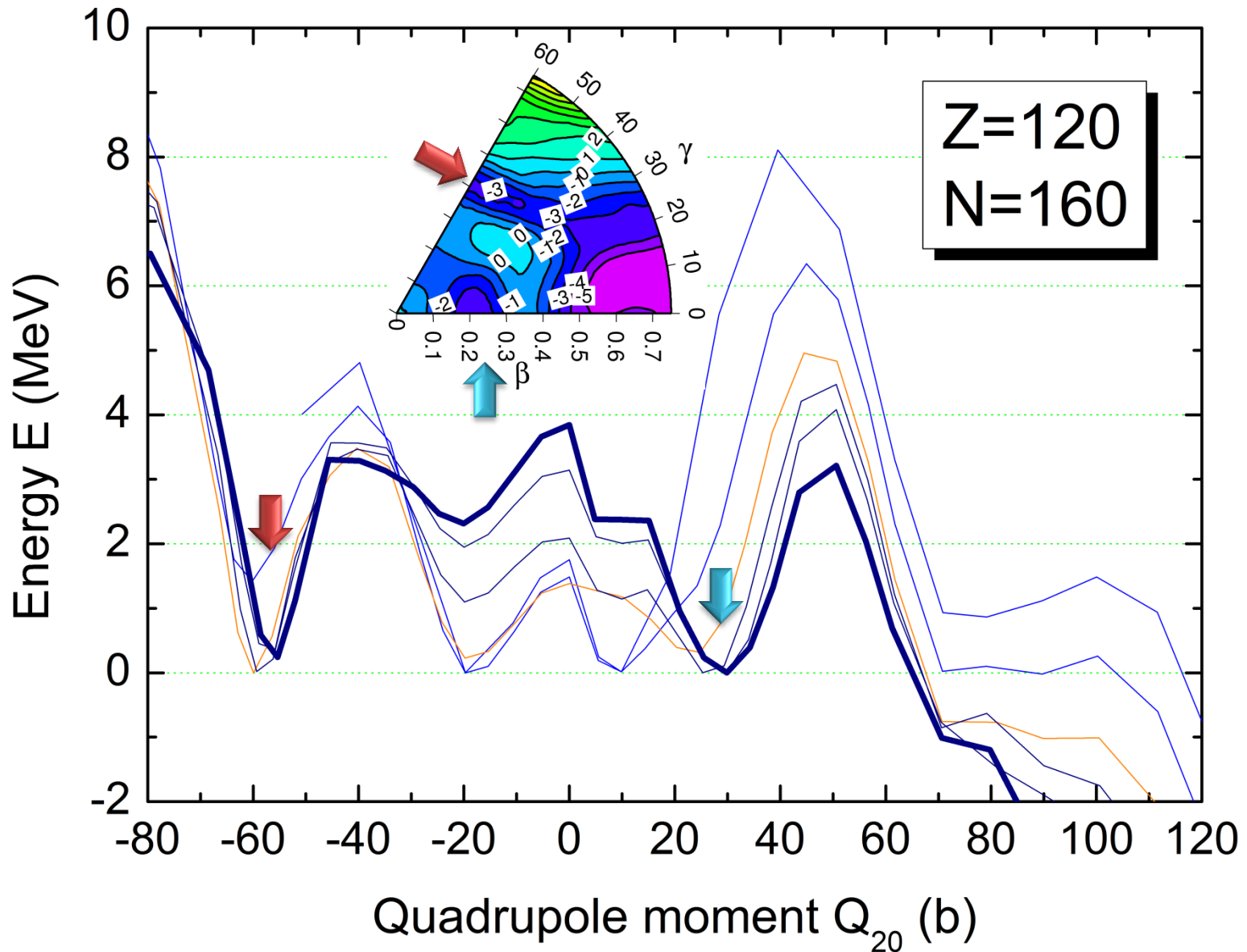
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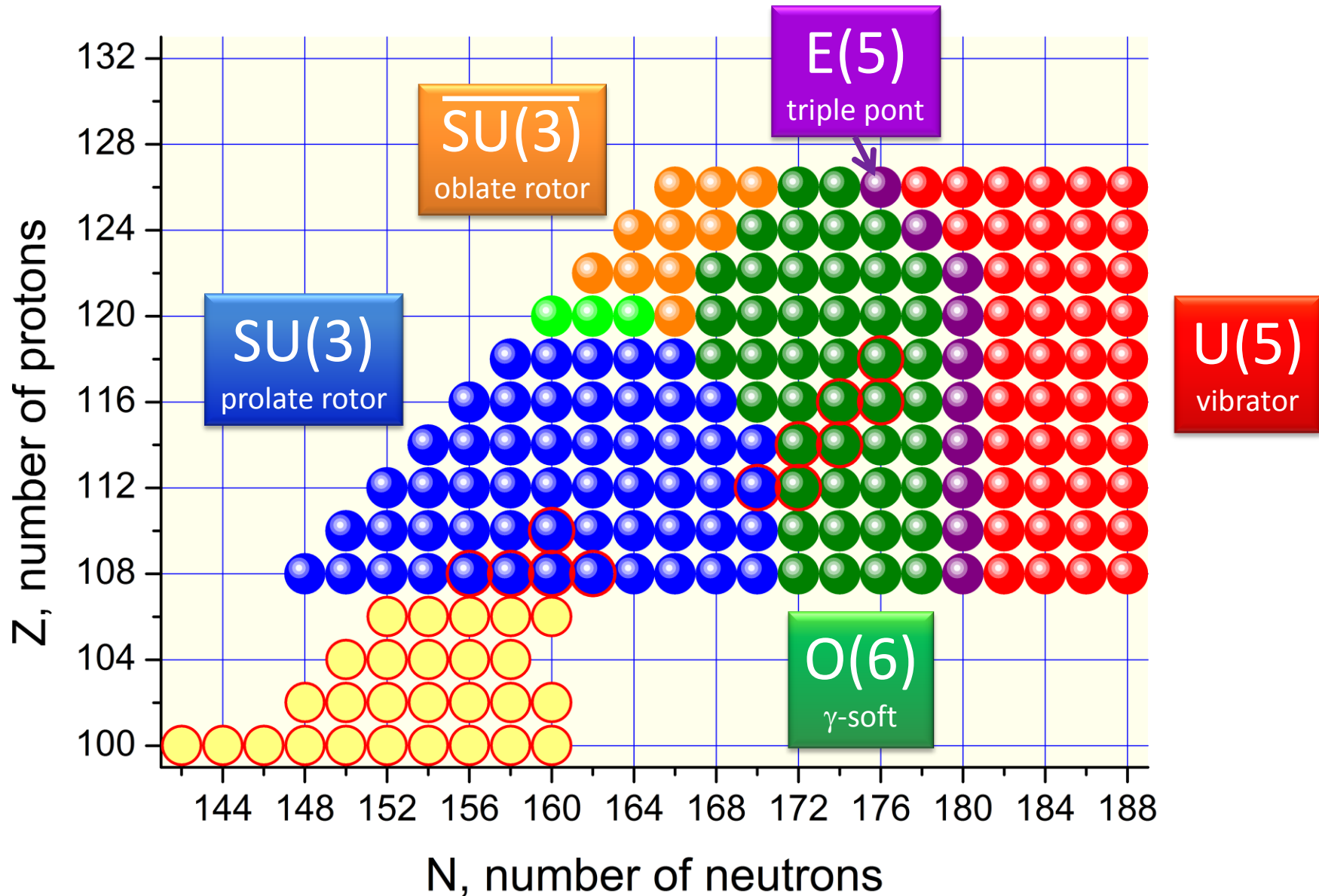
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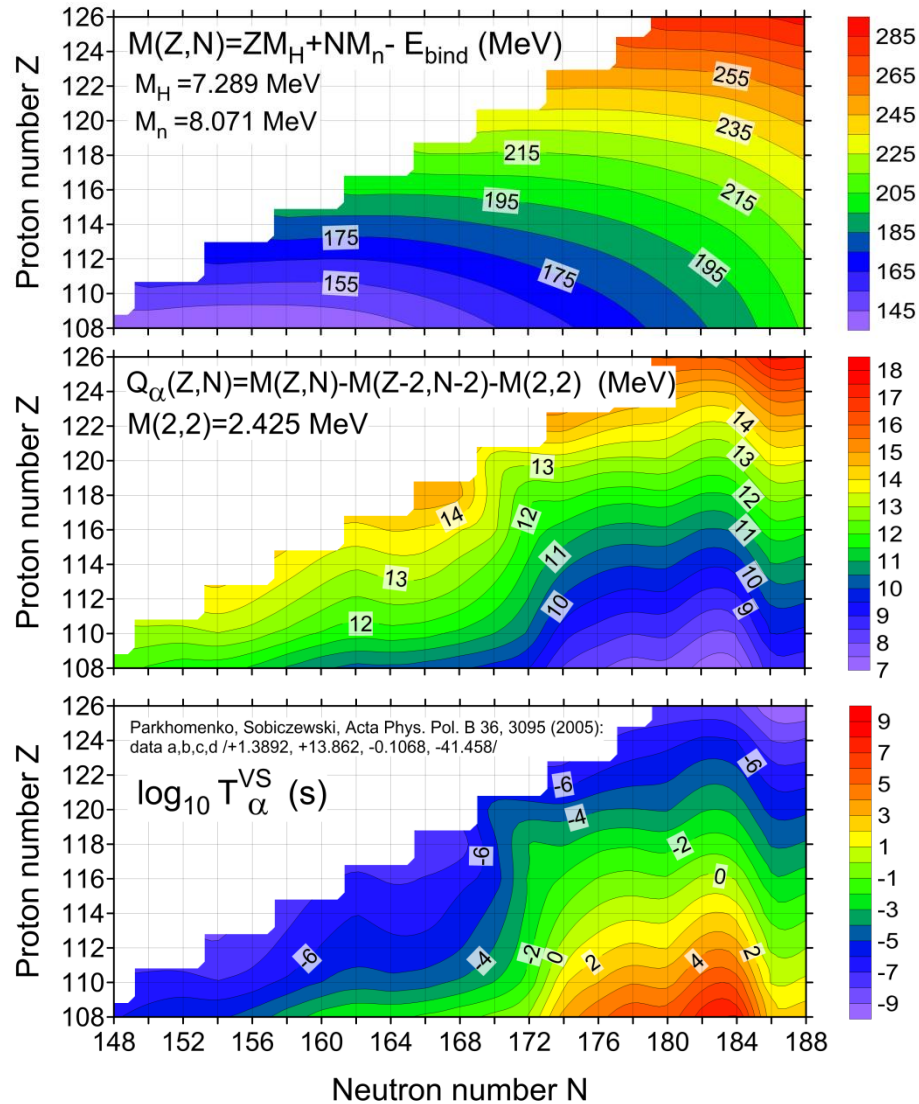
SHN phase diagram (*Natura non facit saltus*)



G.s. properties of SHN - Conclusions

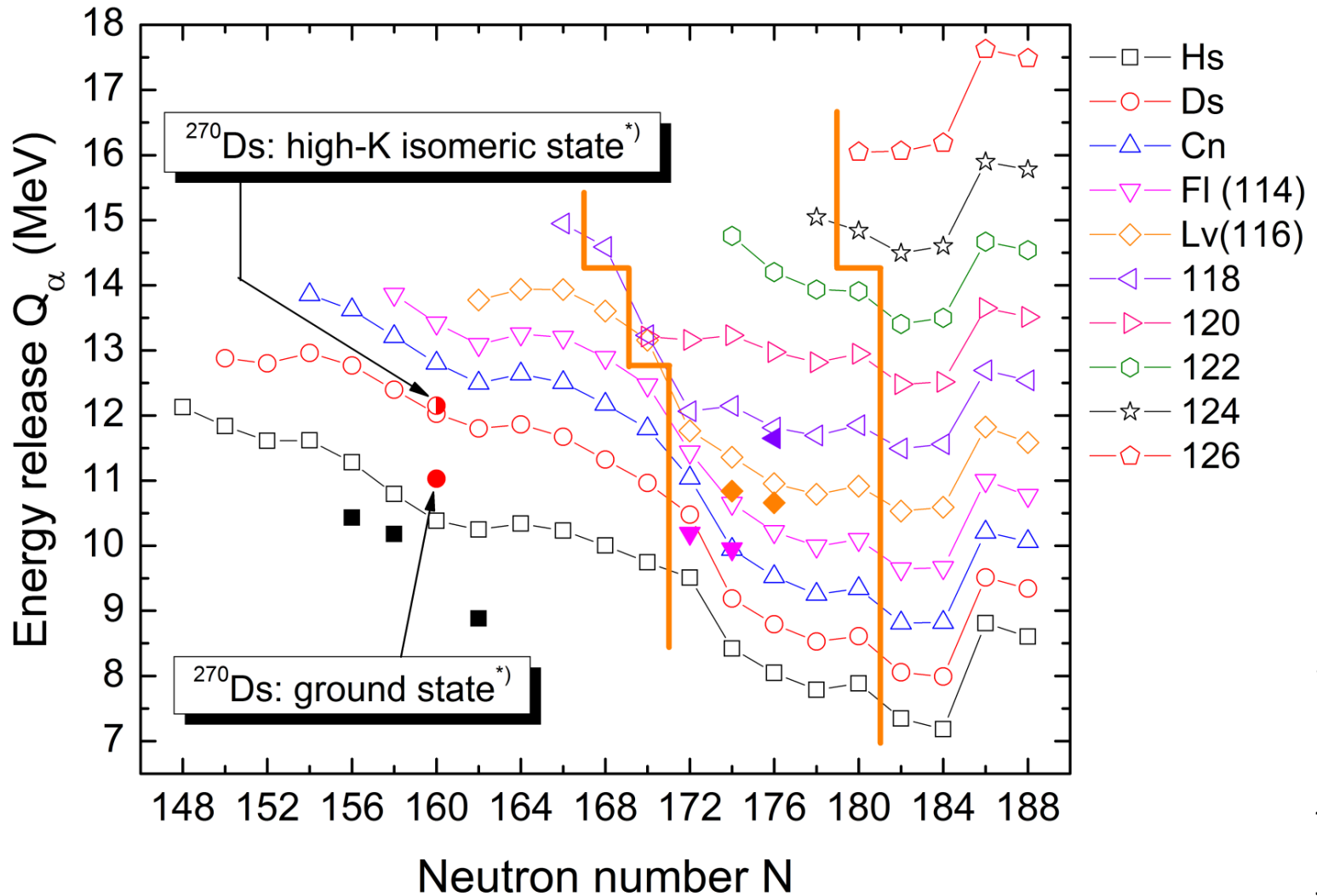
- ✓ The e-e SHN form three regions: the prolate-deformed SU(3) (for $N < 172$), spherical U(5) (for $N > 180$), and transitional region (γ -soft) O(6) between the former two.
- ✓ On the border between the O(6) and U(5) regions (for $N = 180$) nuclei exhibit a rather flat potential bottom and acquire the triple-point solutions - E(5).
- ✓ The existence of superdeformed oblate (SDO) nuclei - $\overline{\text{SU}(3)}$ for $N \leq 166$ and $Z \geq 120$ was validated.
- ✓ The heaviest even-even nuclei produced by ^{48}Ca induced reactions on actinide targets fall into the class of O(6) γ -soft nuclei.

SHN: alpha emission



SHN: Q_α - values

*) S. Hofmann, *et al.*, Eur. Phys. J. A **10**, 5 (2001)



The **spontaneous-fission half-life** is inversely proportional to the probability of penetration through the barrier

$$T_{\frac{1}{2}}^{sf} = \frac{\ln 2}{n} \frac{1}{P}, \quad n \approx 10^{20.38} s^{-1}, \quad \frac{\ln 2}{n} = 10^{-20.54} s.$$

In the WKB semi-classical approximation for the probability P

$$T_{\frac{1}{2}}^{sf} [s] = \frac{10^{-20.54}}{\hbar \omega_0} \left[1 + \exp(2S(L)) \right],$$

where the action-integral calculated along a fission path $L(s)$ in the multi-dimensional deformation space $\{q^\lambda\}$ is

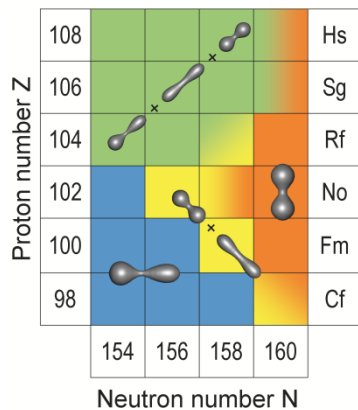
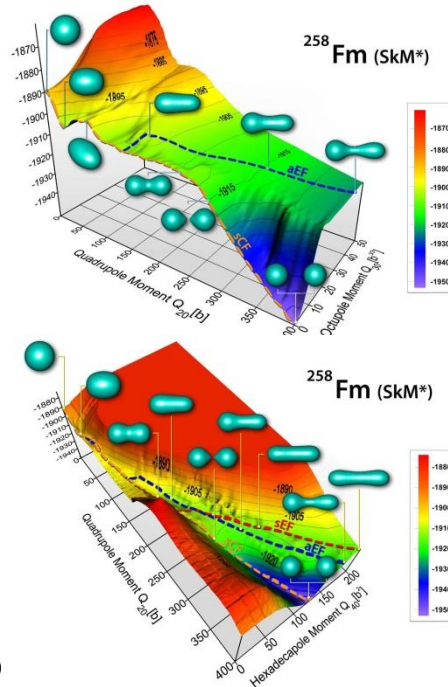
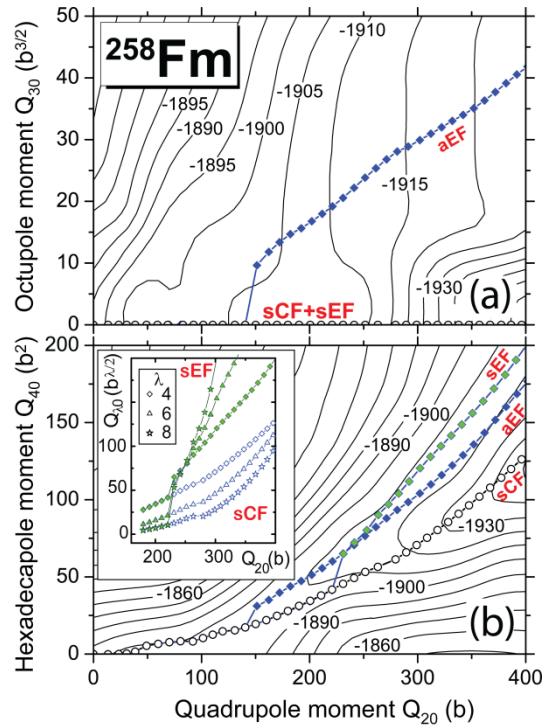
$$S(L) = \int_{s_1}^{s_2} \left\{ 2/\hbar^2 B_{eff}(s) [V(s) - E] \right\}^{1/2} ds$$

The effective inertia associated with the fission motion along the path $L(s)$ is

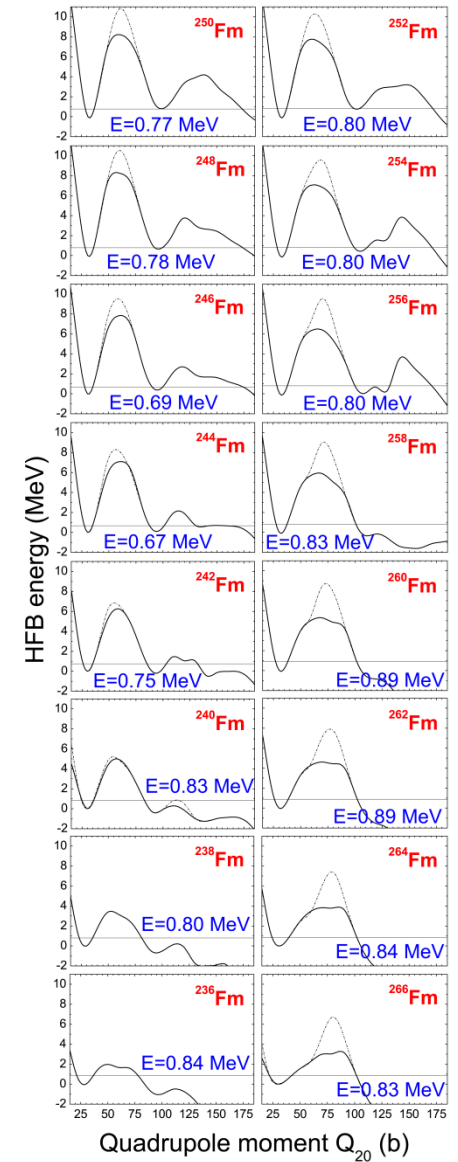
$$B_{eff}(s) = \sum_{k,l} B_{q^k q^l} \frac{dq^k}{ds} \frac{dq^l}{ds},$$

Barriers of even-even Fm isotopes

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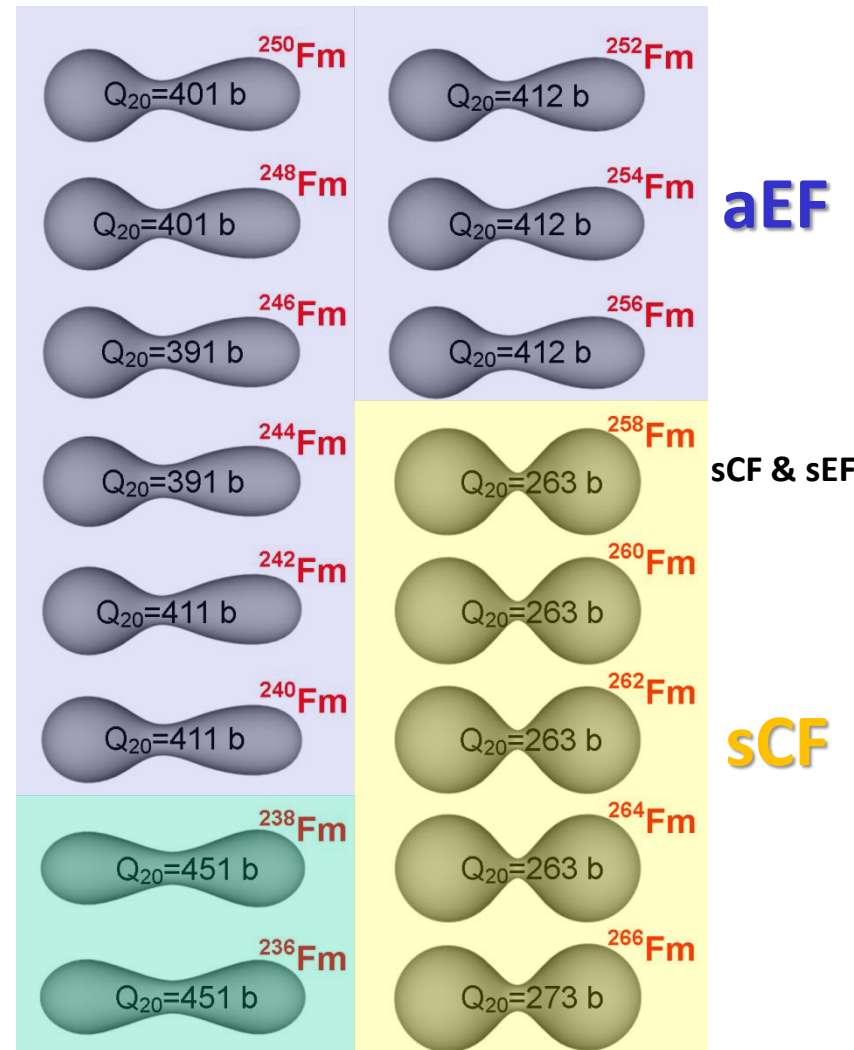
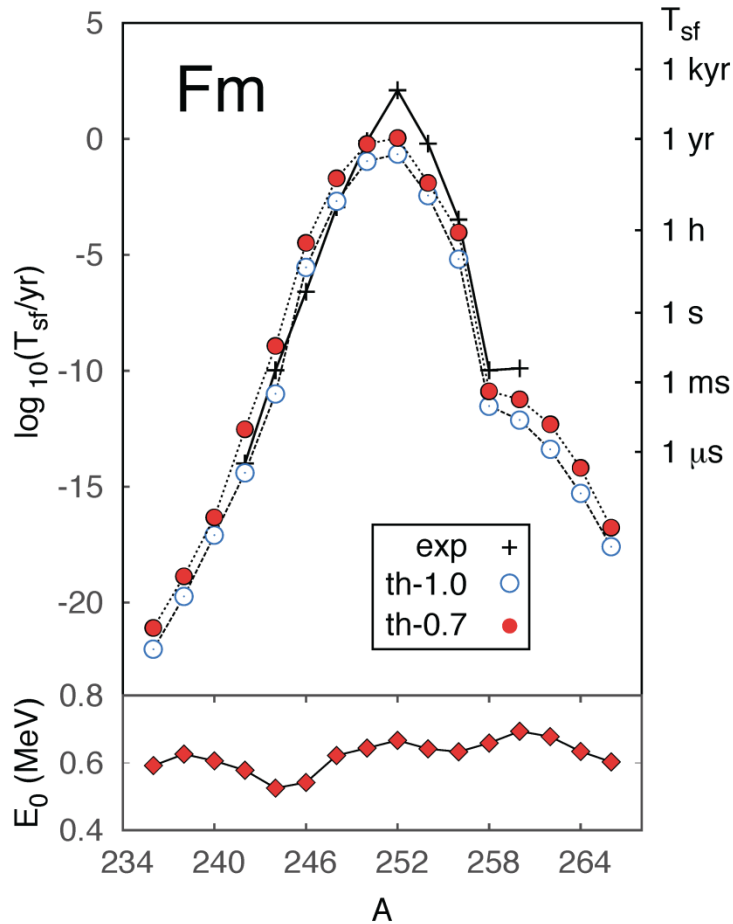


Multimodal fission



SF half-lives of even-even Fm isotopes

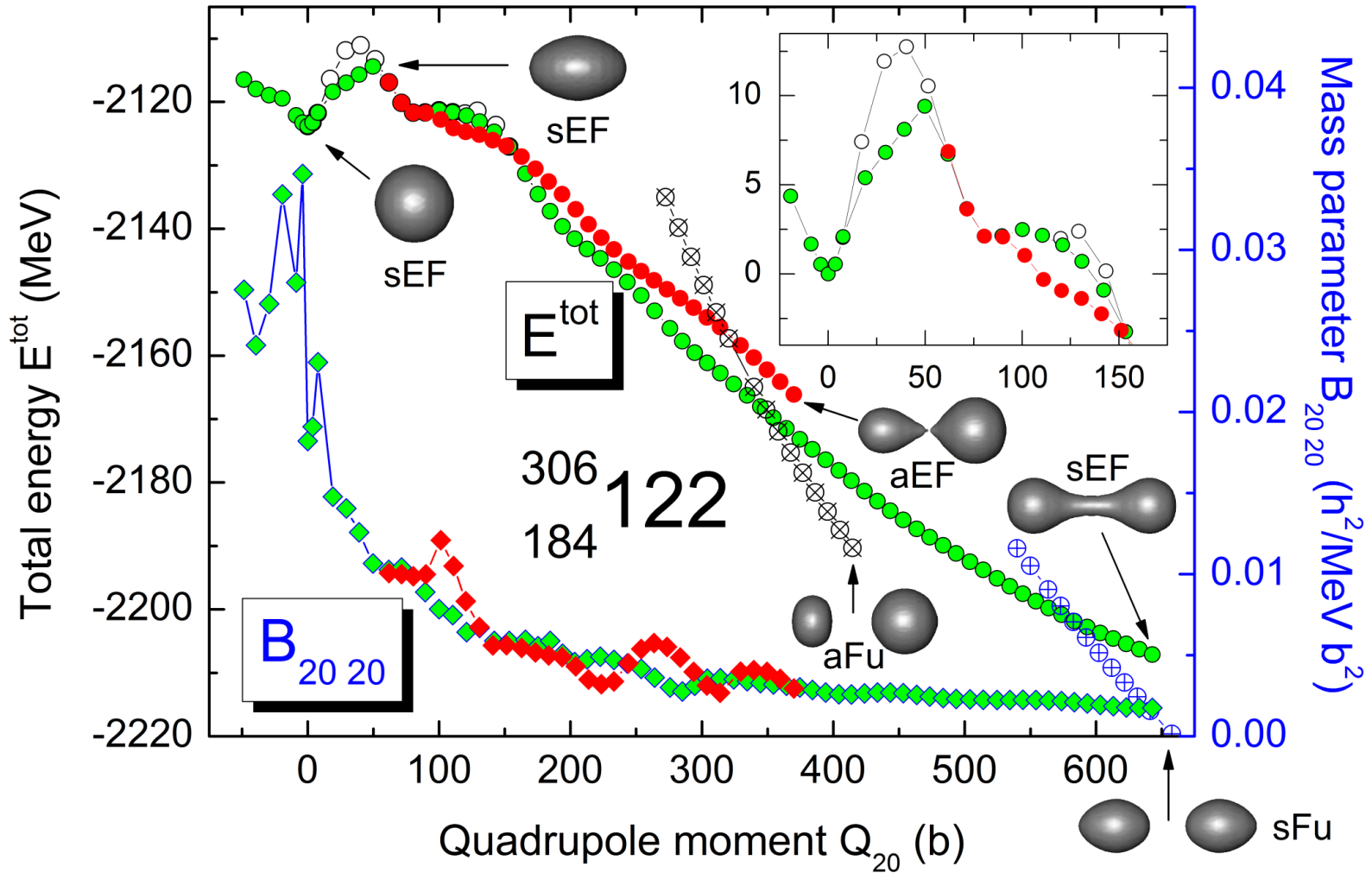
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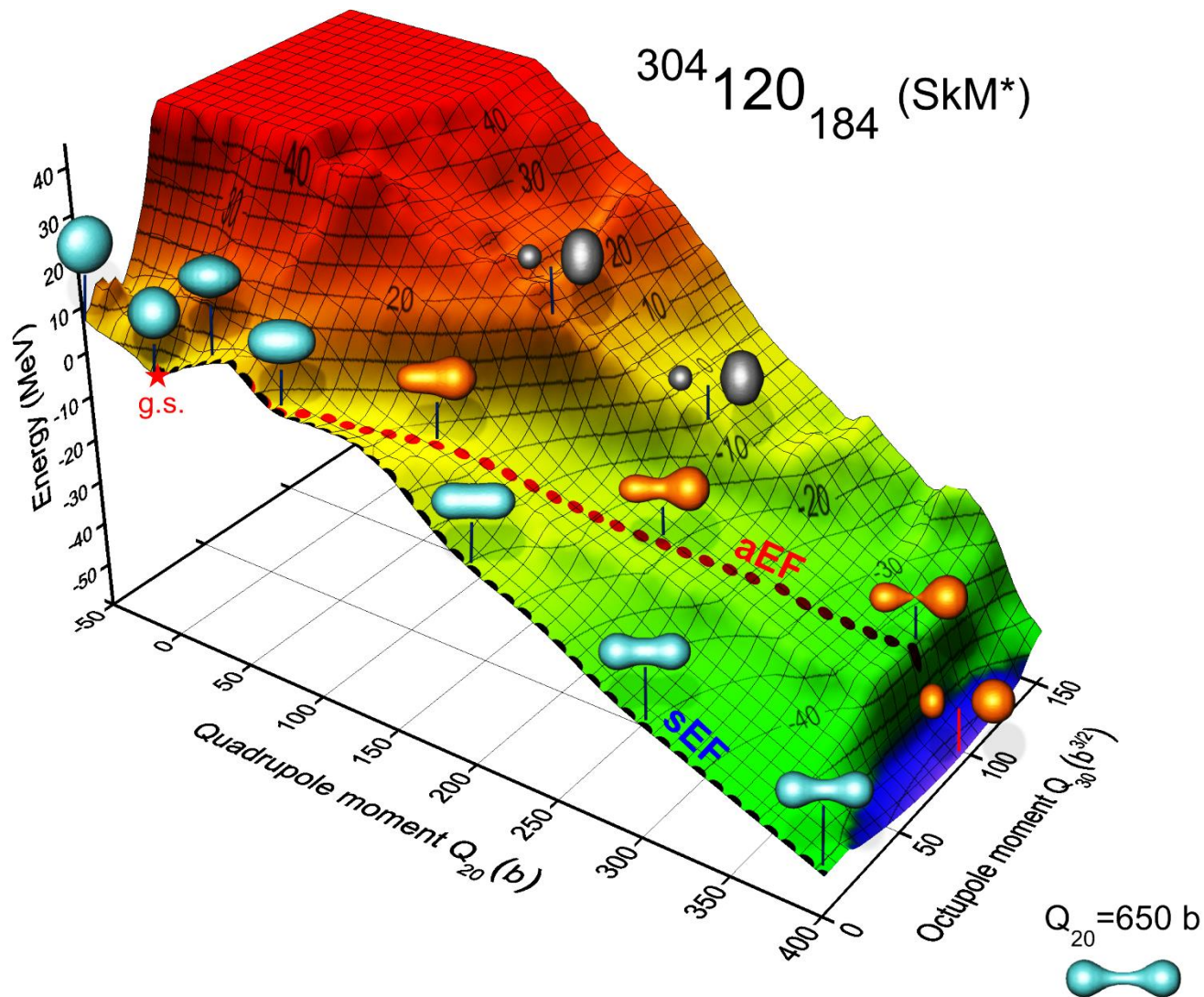
Experimental fission half-lives from:

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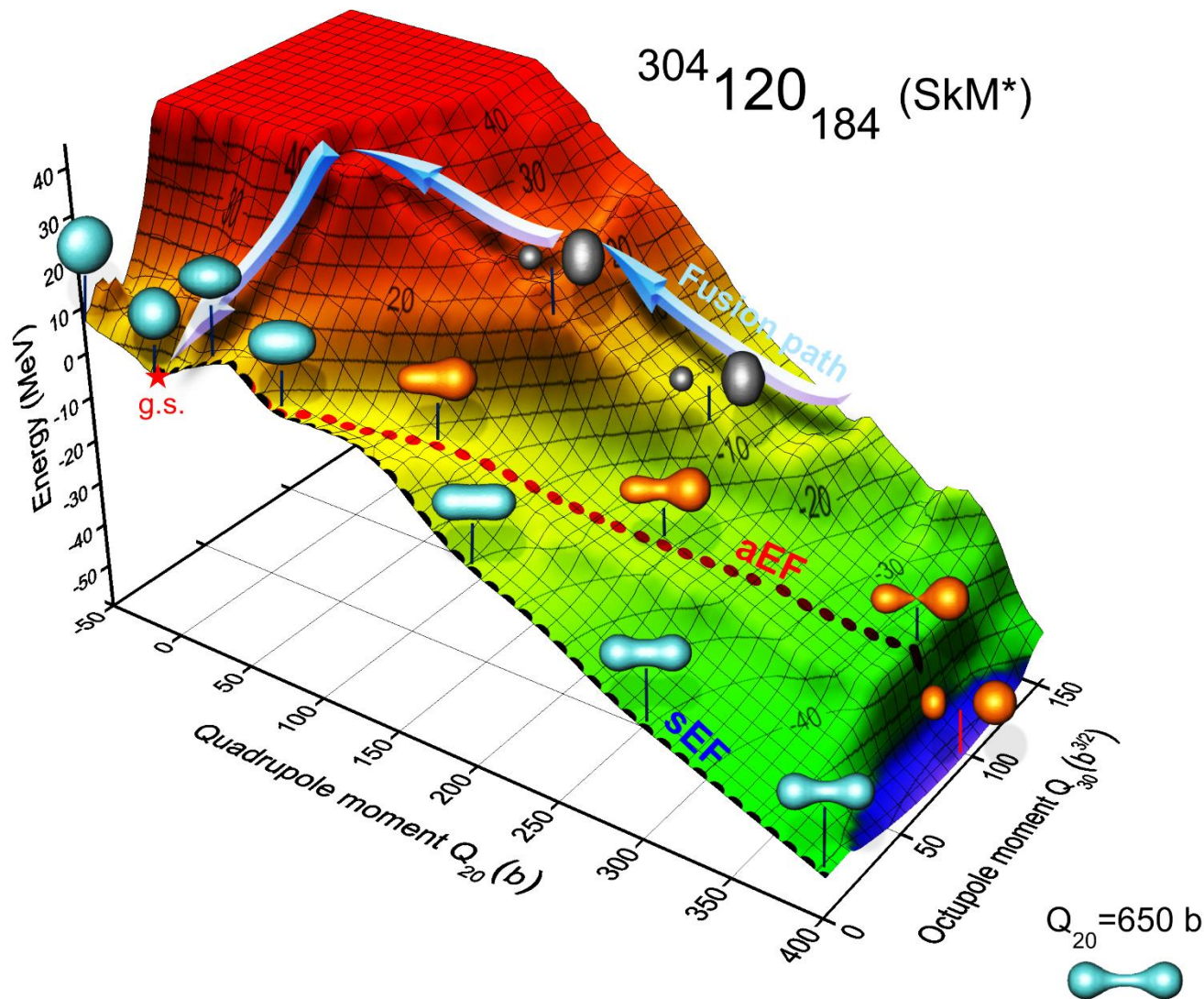
E^{tot} and $B_{20\ 20}$ along sEF and aEF fission paths in $^{306}_{122}$



PES with the sEF and aEF fission paths in $^{304}_{184}\text{120}$ (SkM*)

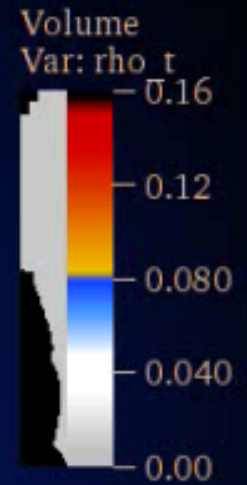


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$^{306}\text{122}_{184}$ – sEF path

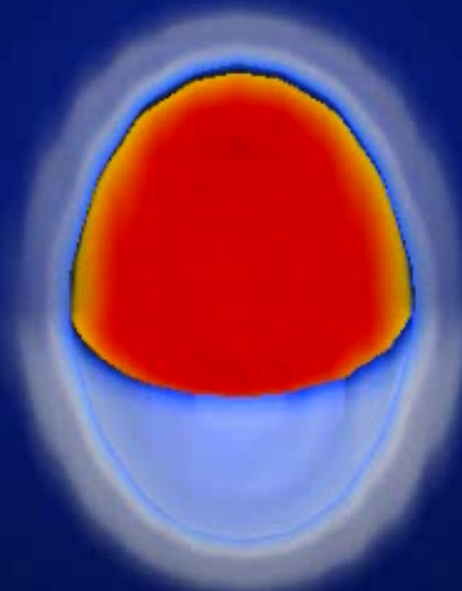
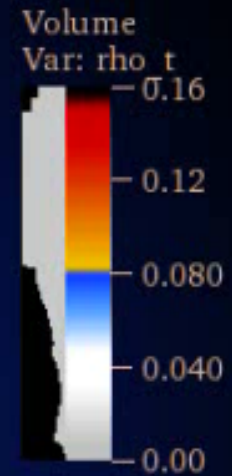
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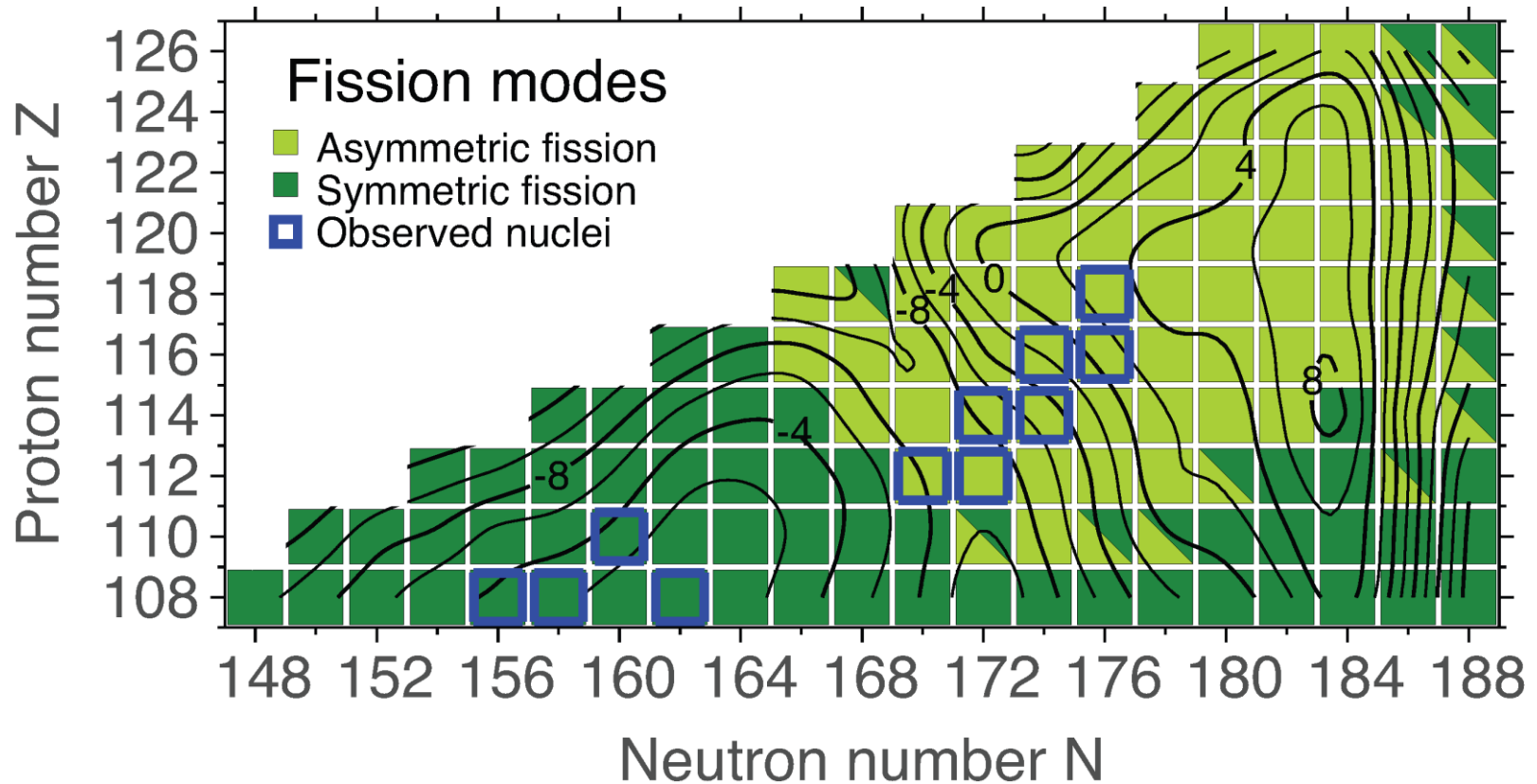
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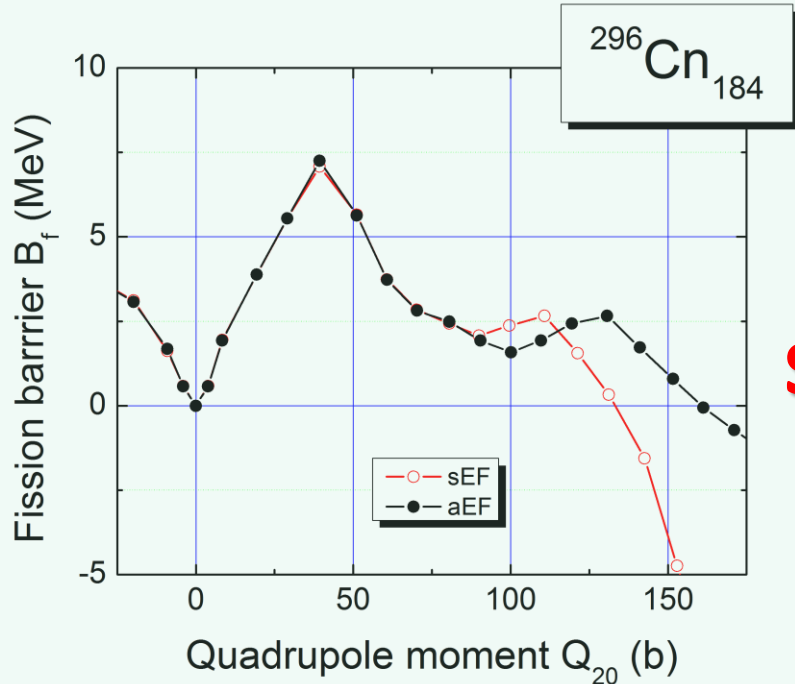


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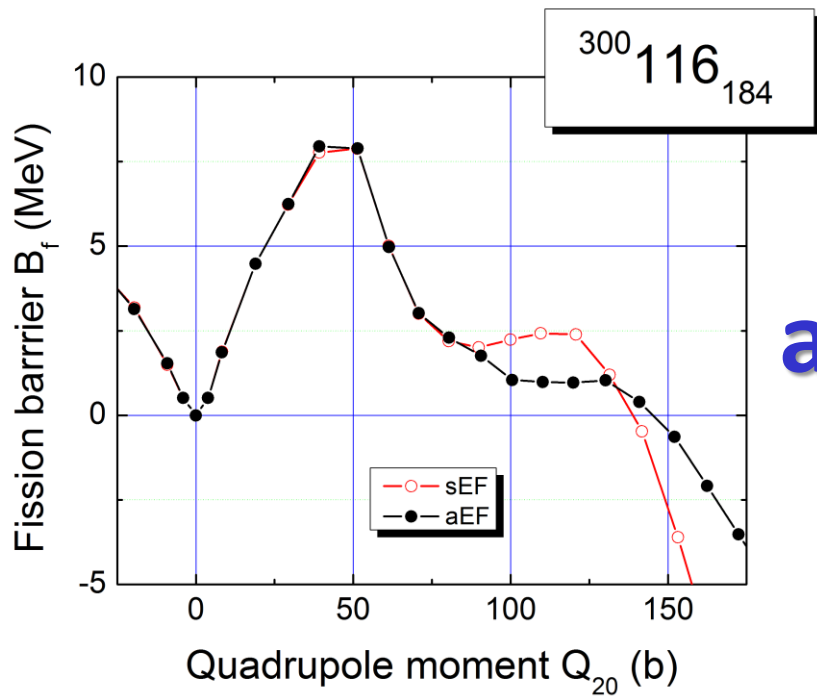
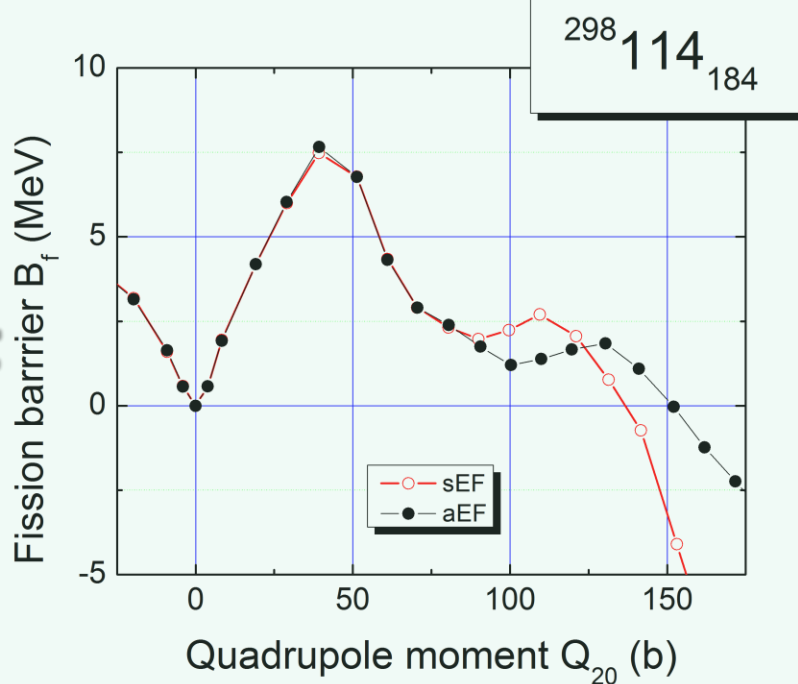
sEF and aEF SF modes in even-even SHN



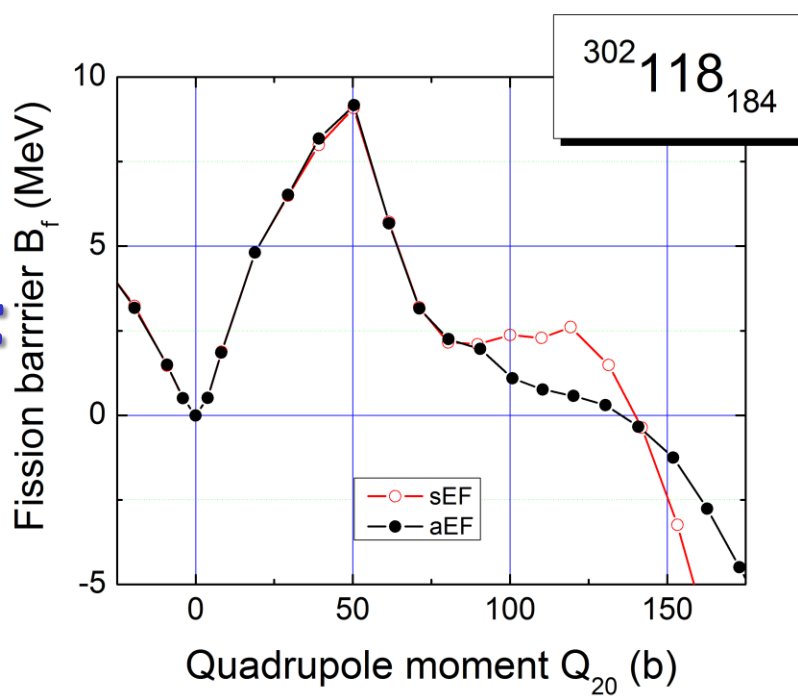
The contours show the predicted SF half-lives in logarithmic scale in s.

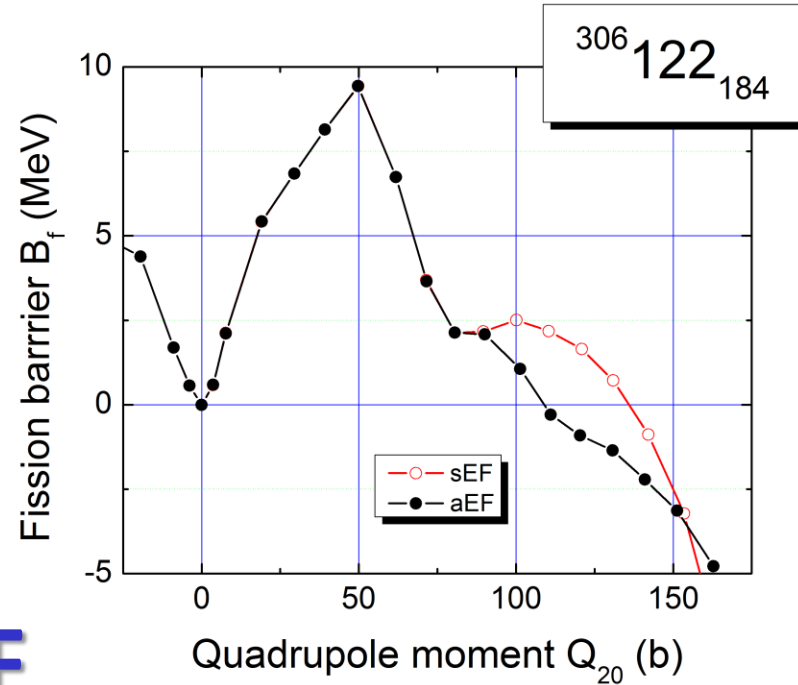
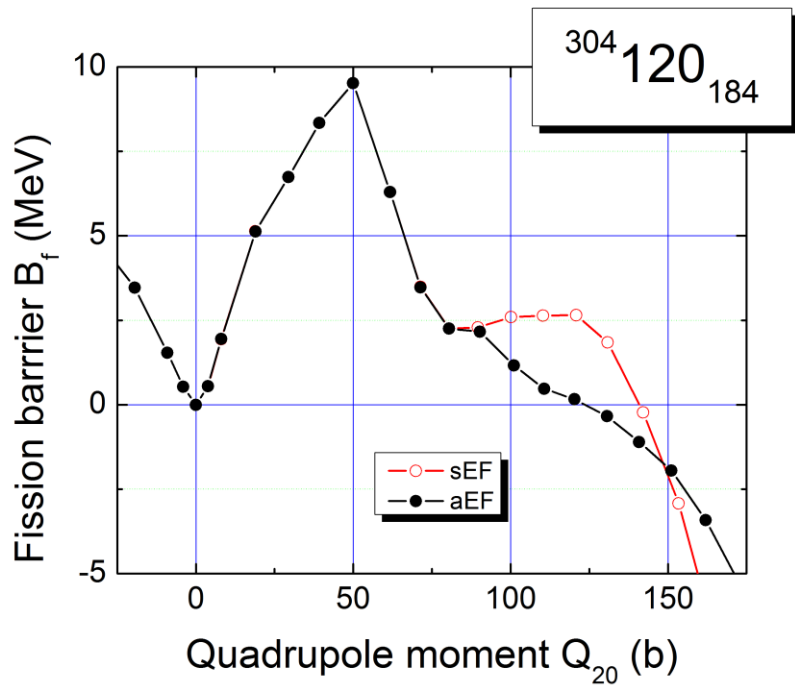


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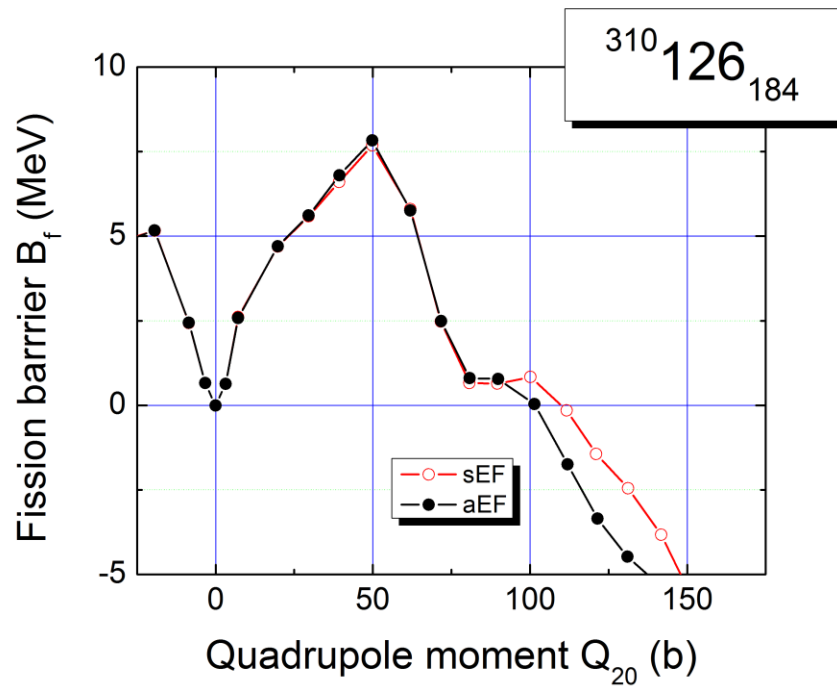
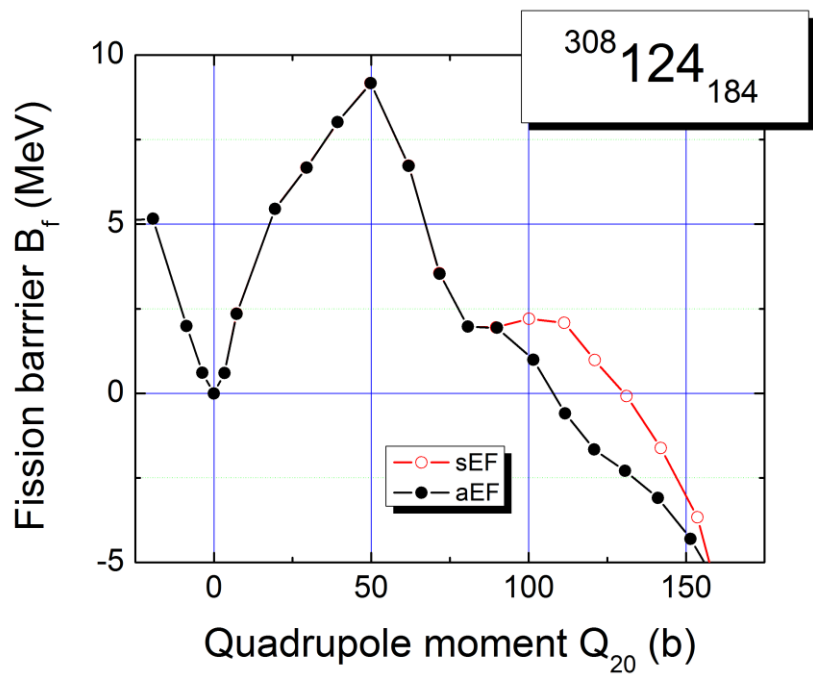


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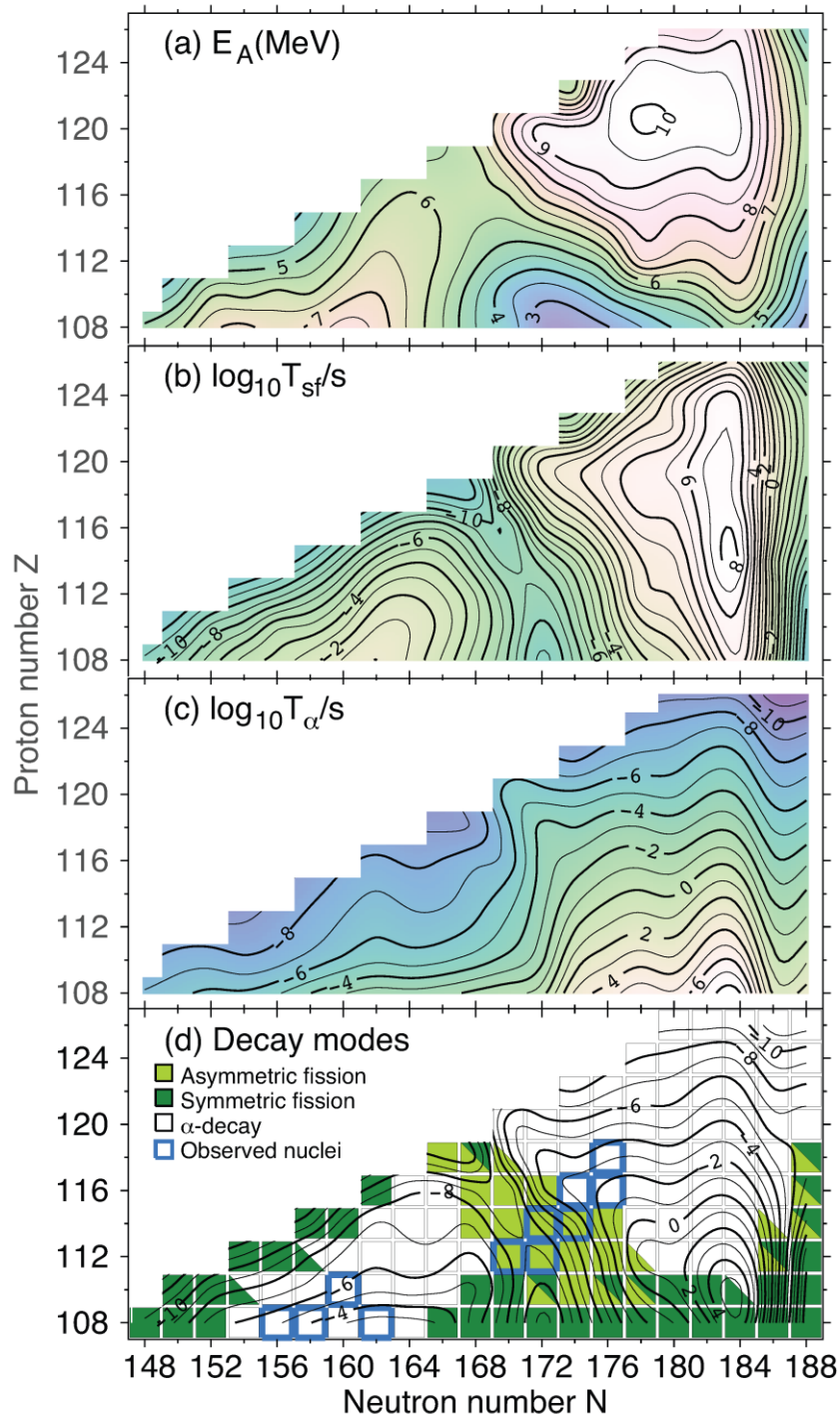




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HFB-SkM* results for even-even SHN



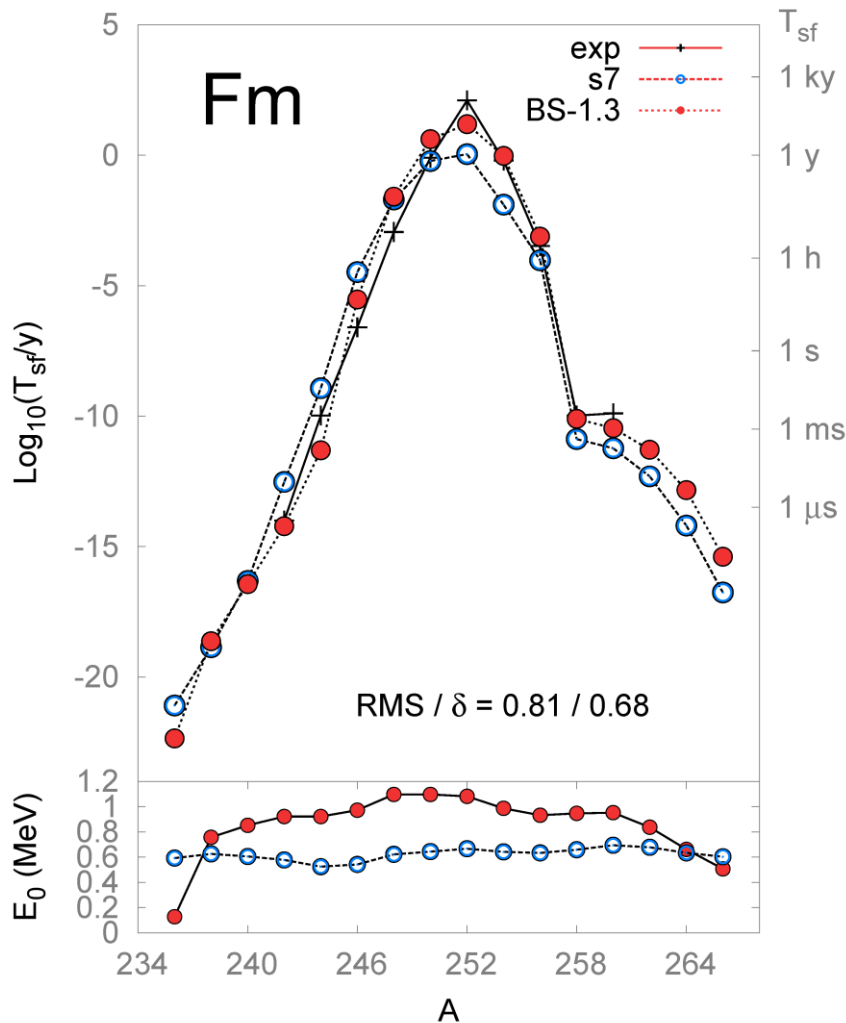
max $E_A \approx 10$ MeV for $^{298, 300}120$
 min $E_A \approx 2.7$ MeV for $^{280, 282}\text{Hs}$

max $T_{sf} \approx 10^{7.7}s$ for ^{298}Fl ,
 $T_{sf} \approx 10^{7.3}s$ for ^{300}Lv ,
 $T_{sf} \approx 10^{7.1}s$ for $^{302}120$

min $T_{sf} \sim 10^{-10}s$ for ^{280}Hs , ^{284}Fl , $^{284}118$

max $T_{sf+\alpha} \approx 10^{5.1}s \sim 1.5$ days for ^{294}Ds

SF half-lives of even-even Fm isotopes (II)

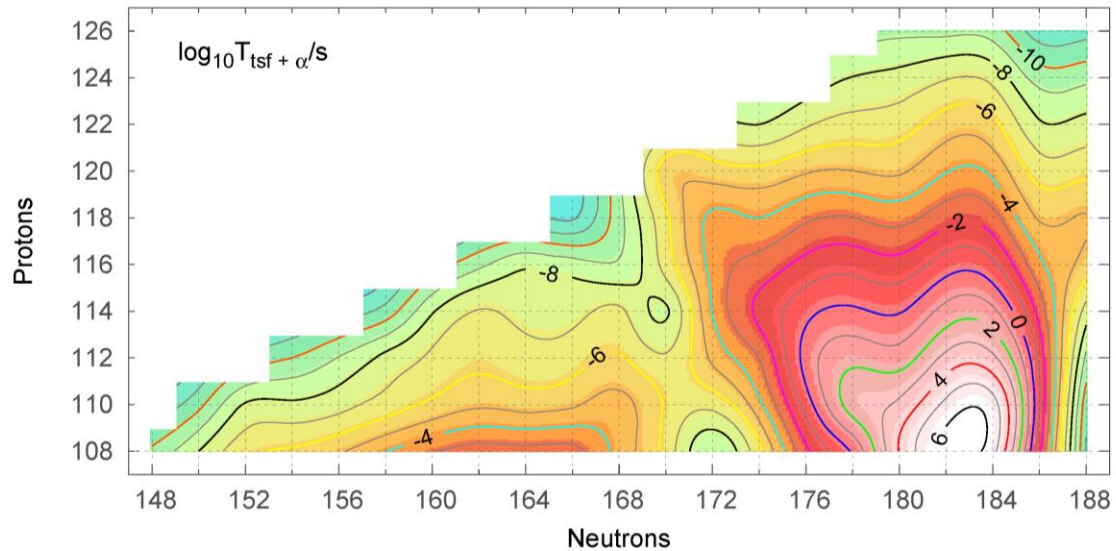
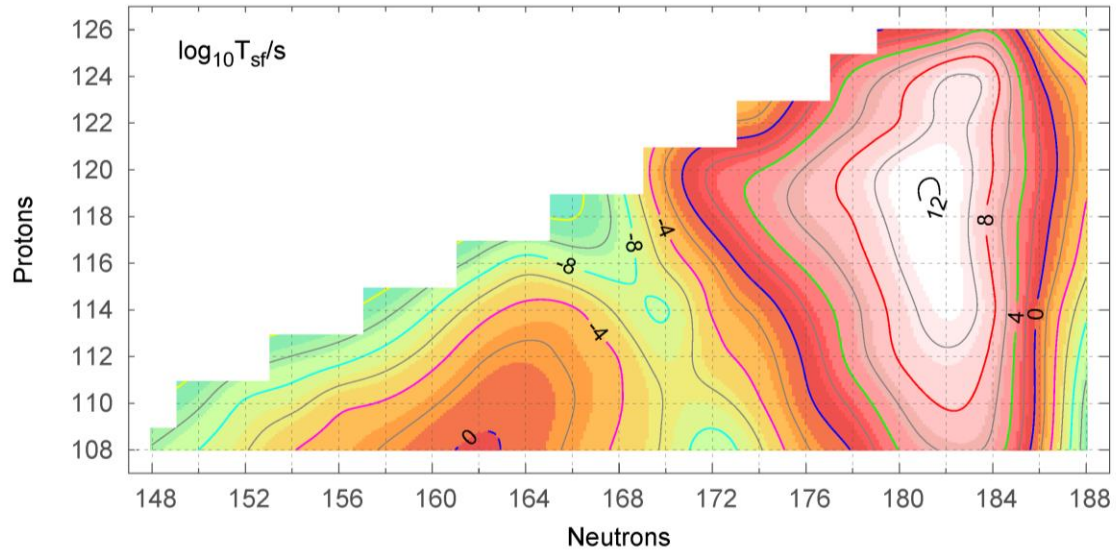


Empty circles – (like before) the constrained HFB-SkM* calculations along Q_{20} coordinate with left-right asymmetry and non-axiality included; the mass parameters were obtained in the perturbative cranking approx. Energy of fissioning nucleus (bottom panel) was assumed to be equal $E_0 = 0.7 \text{ ZPE}(Q_{\text{gs}})$, where $\text{ZPE}(Q_{\text{gs}})$ is zero point energy (GCM+GOA model) at the ground state deformation.

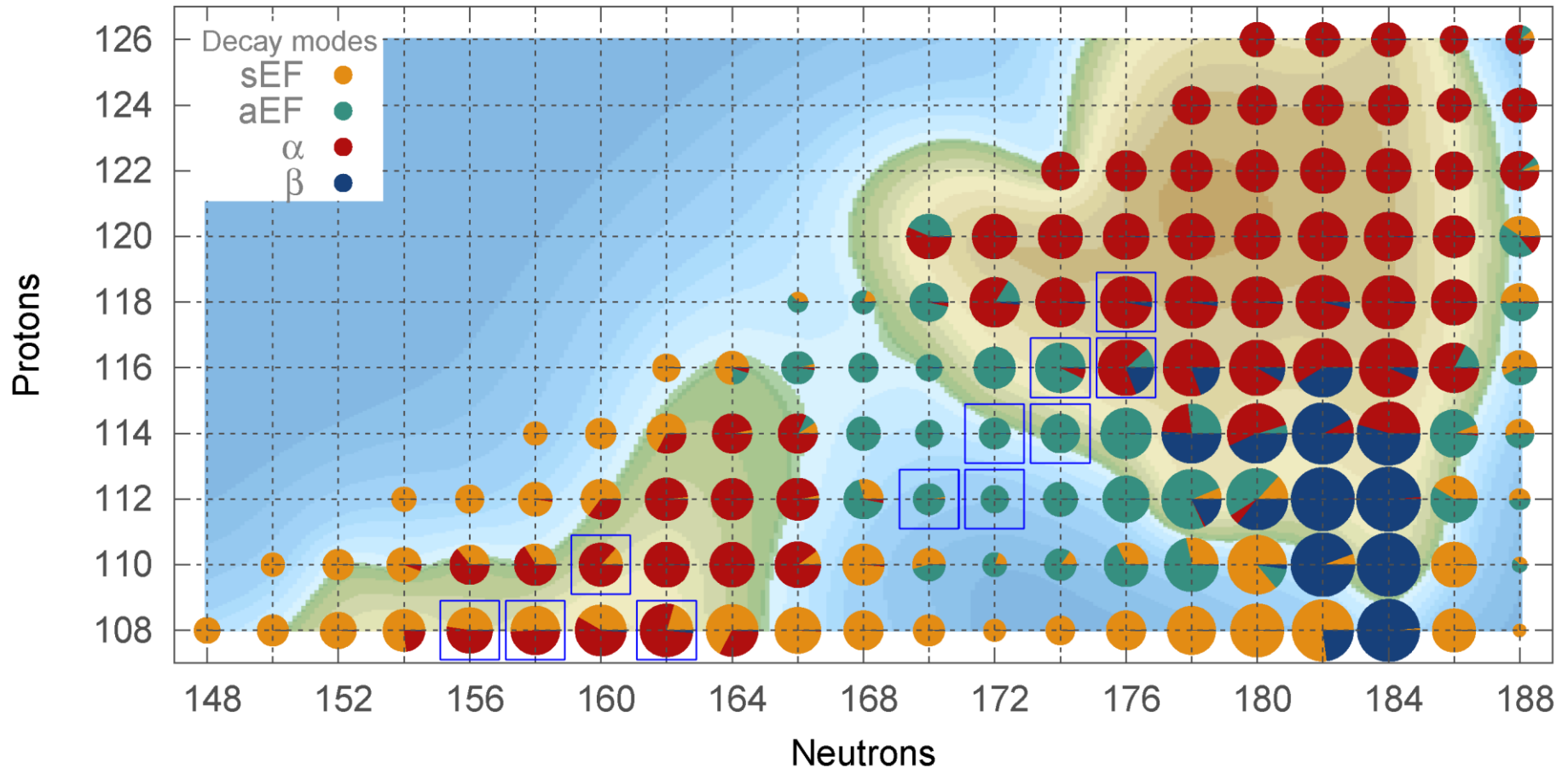
Filled circles – the same as above, but the mass parameters were scaled by a factor 1.3 and E_0 energy was determined from the WKB quantization condition

$$\int_a^b \sqrt{2M(q)(E_n - V(q))} dq = \pi \left(n + \frac{1}{2} \right) \hbar, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

HFB-SkM* results for even-even SHN (II)



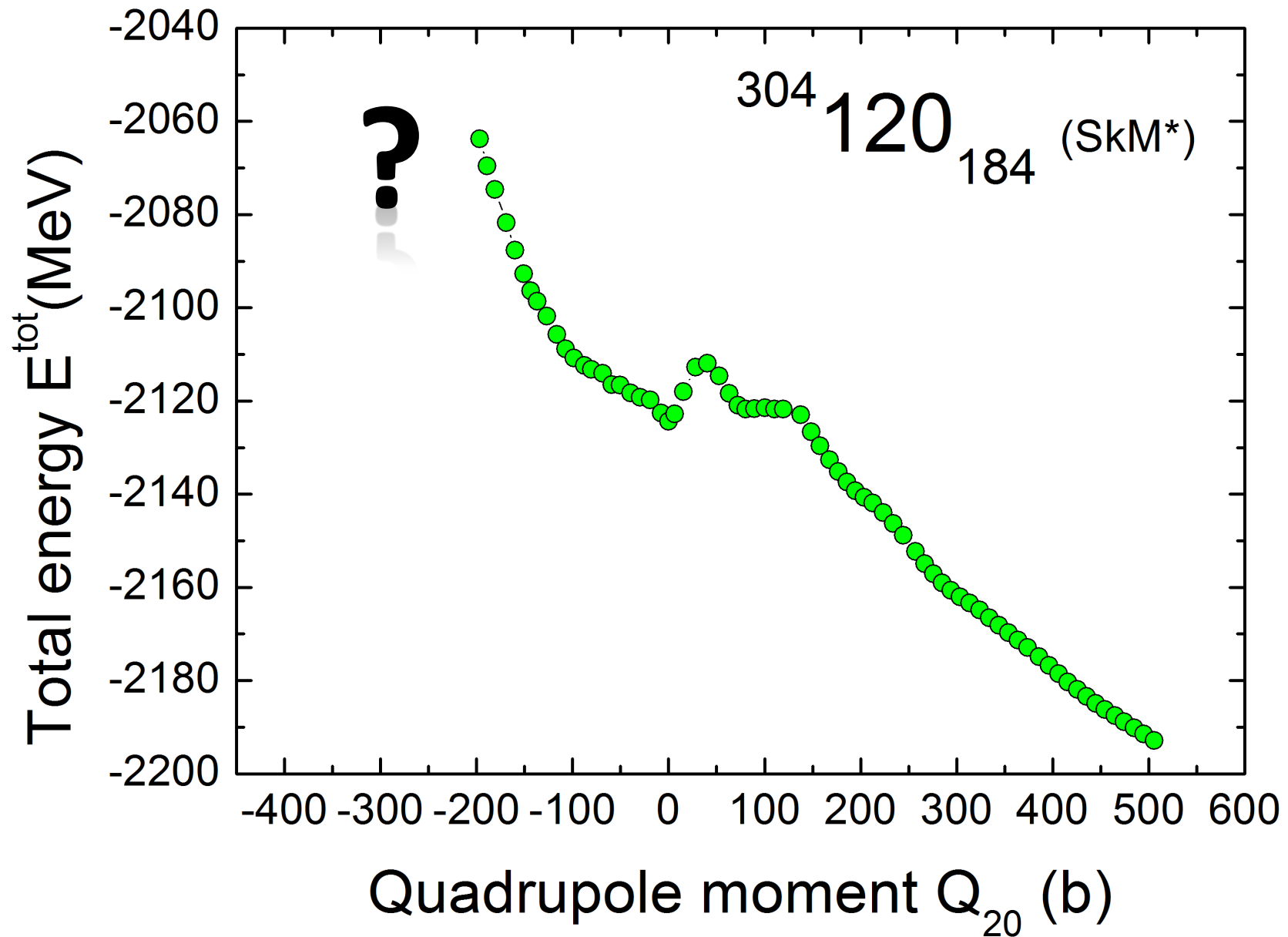
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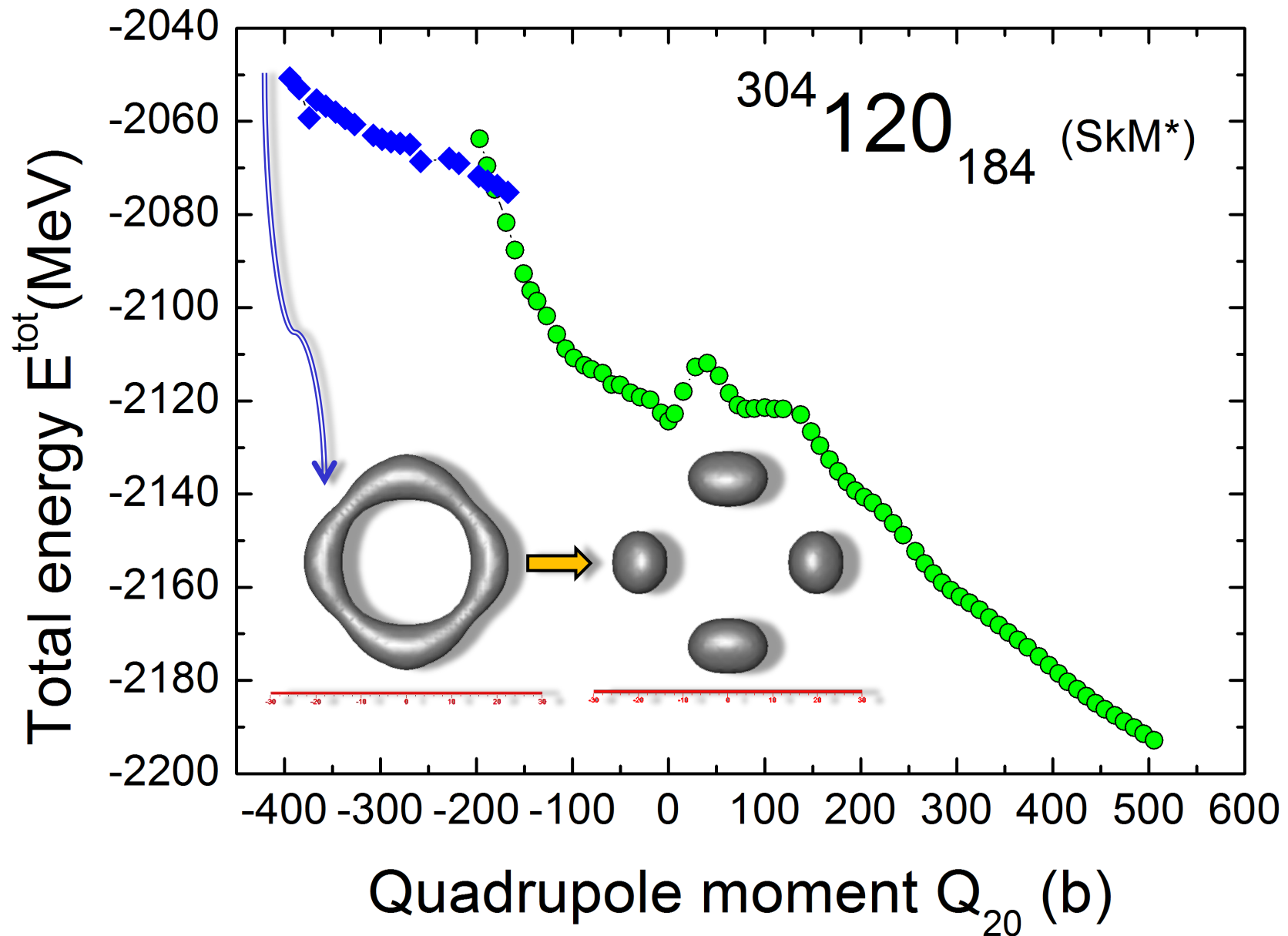
The circle radii are proportional to the decimal logarithms of total half-lives in s.

$$\max T_{sf+\alpha+\beta} \approx 10^4 \text{ s for } {}^{294-296}\text{Cn}$$

SHN with the extreme oblate deformation

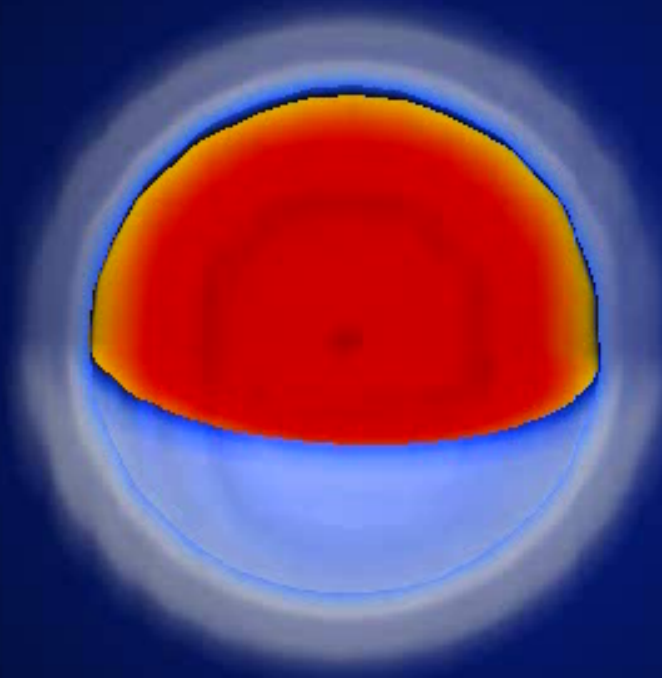
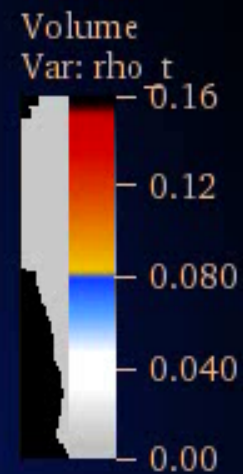


SHN with the extreme oblate deformation



$^{306}_{184}\text{122}$ – toroidal shapes

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The three-fragment valley in LDM

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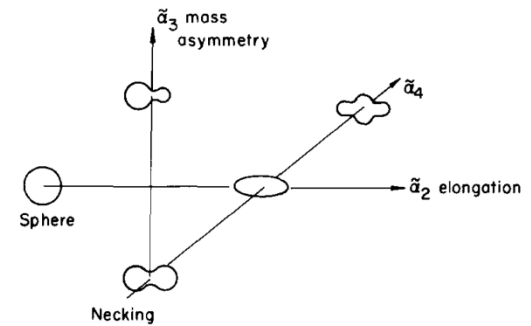
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Fig. 1. The three principal degrees of freedom required for the description of fusion and fission.

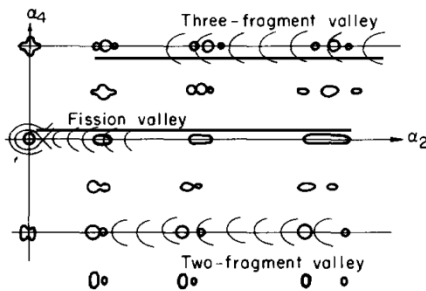


Fig. 2. The fission valley (the three-fragment valley) and the two-fragment valley. The associated shapes are sketched in a rough way.

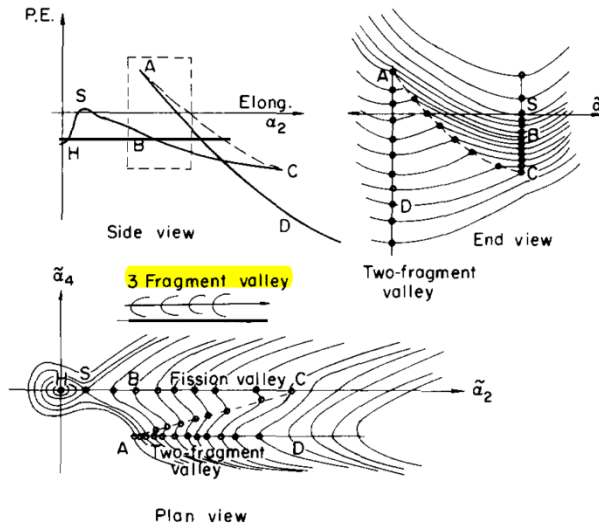
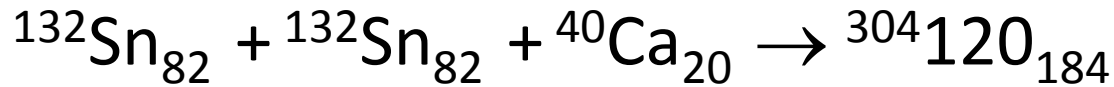
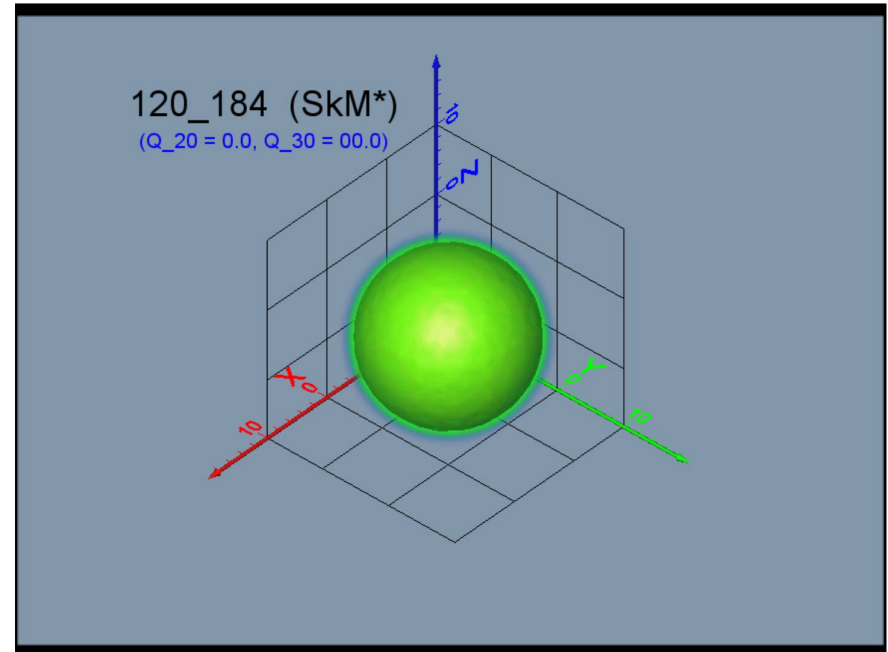
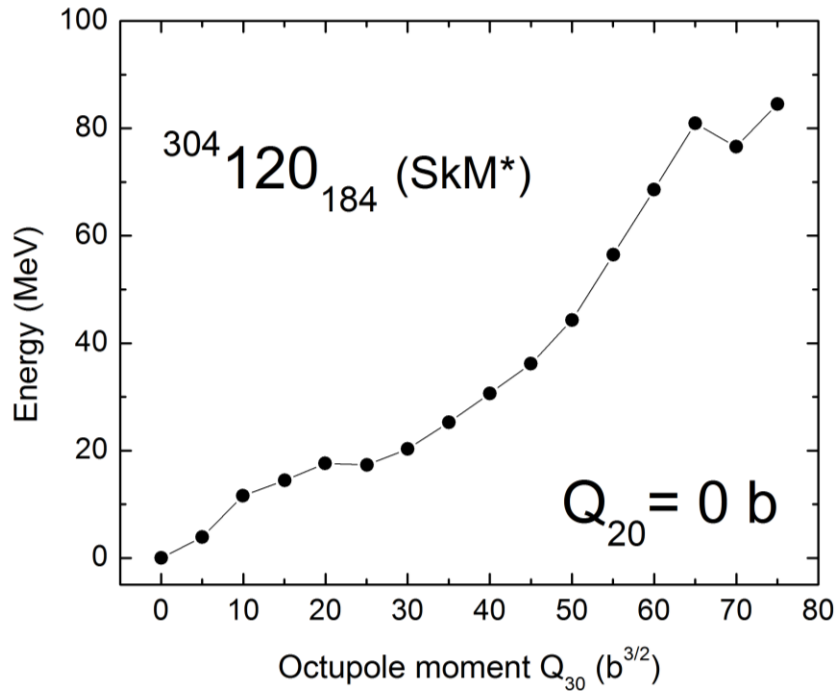


Fig. 3. Schematic energy contour diagrams of the two-fragment valley and the fission valley, including (side view and plan view) the spherical minimum, caused by shell effects.

SHN by 3-body cold fusion ???



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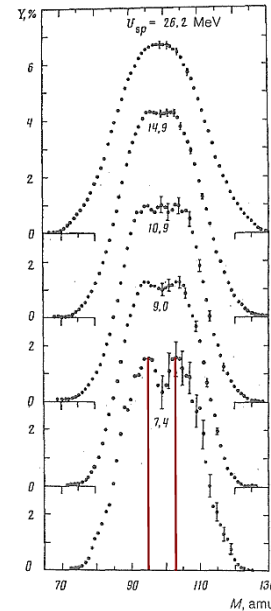
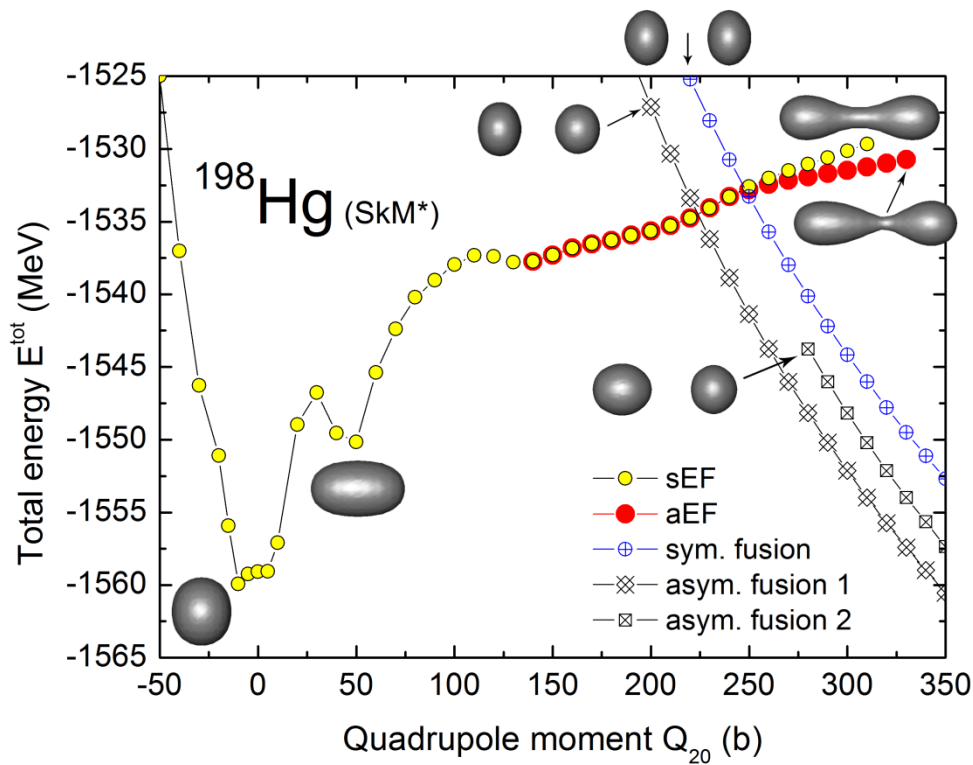
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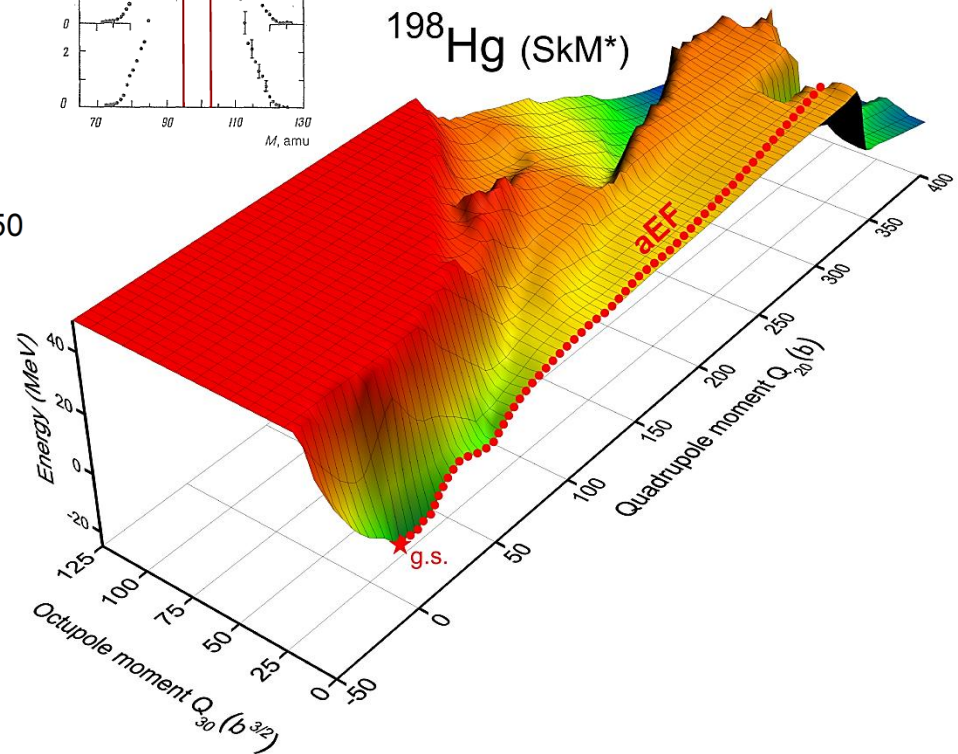
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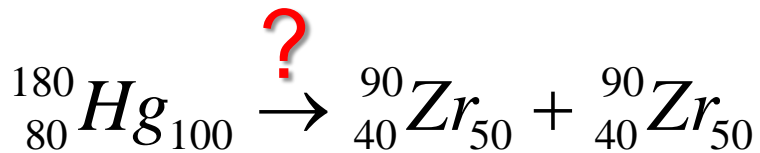
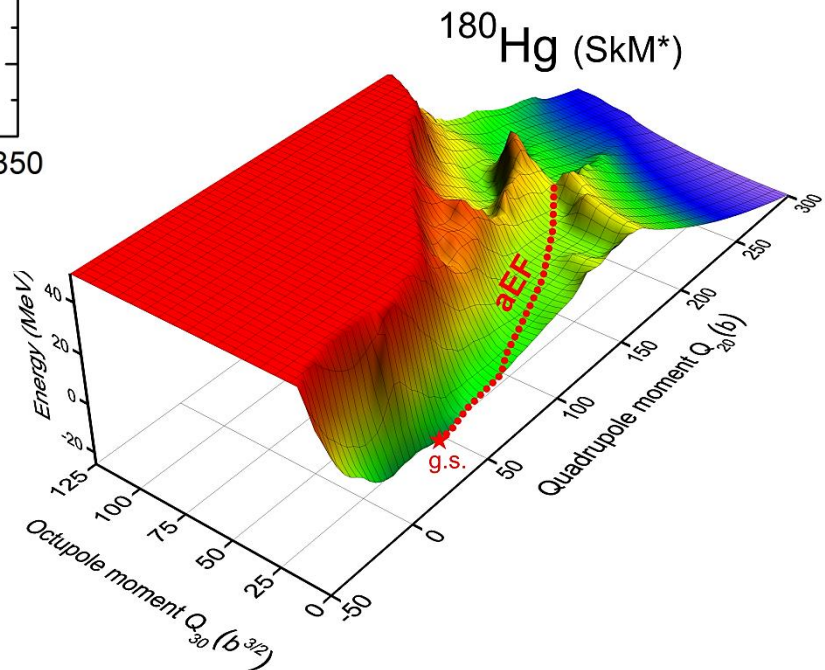
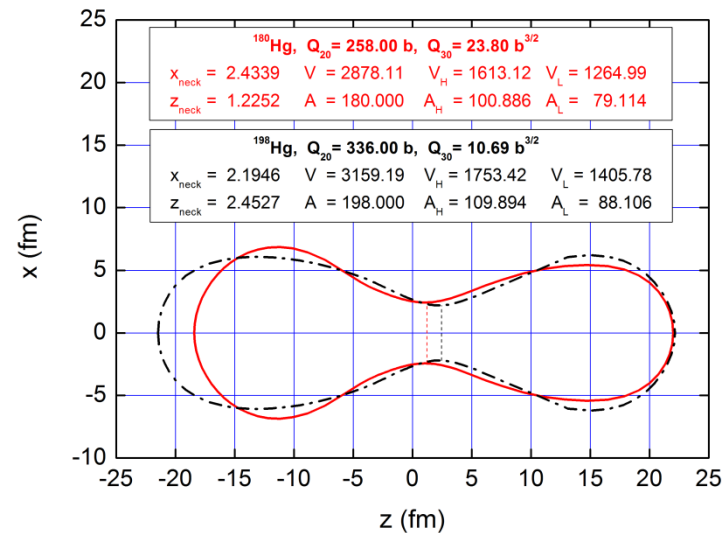
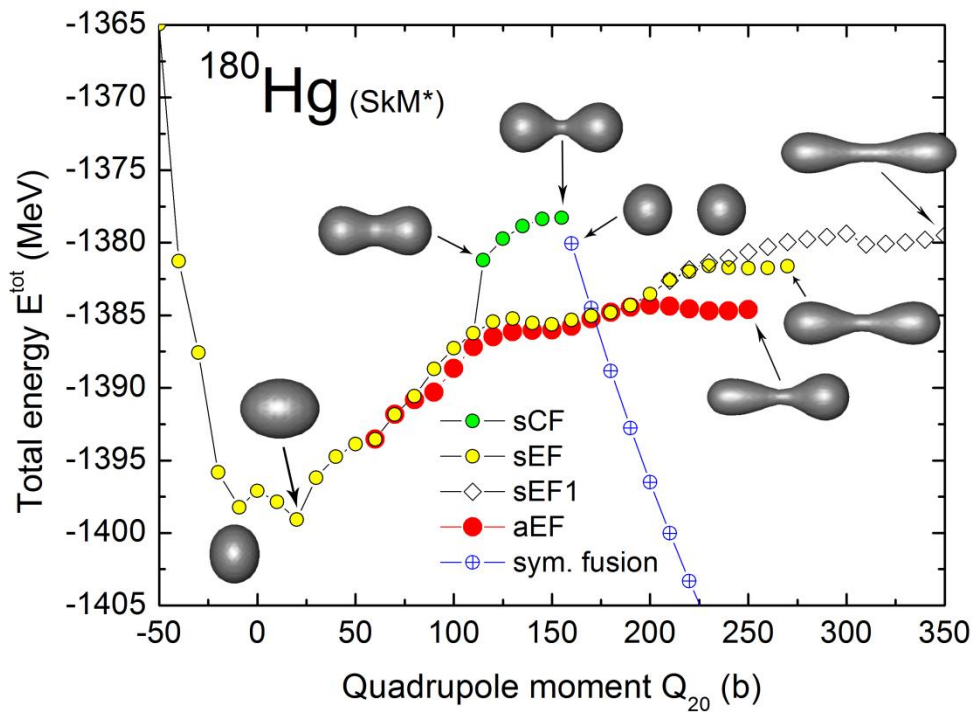
^{198}Hg : the heteromodal fission



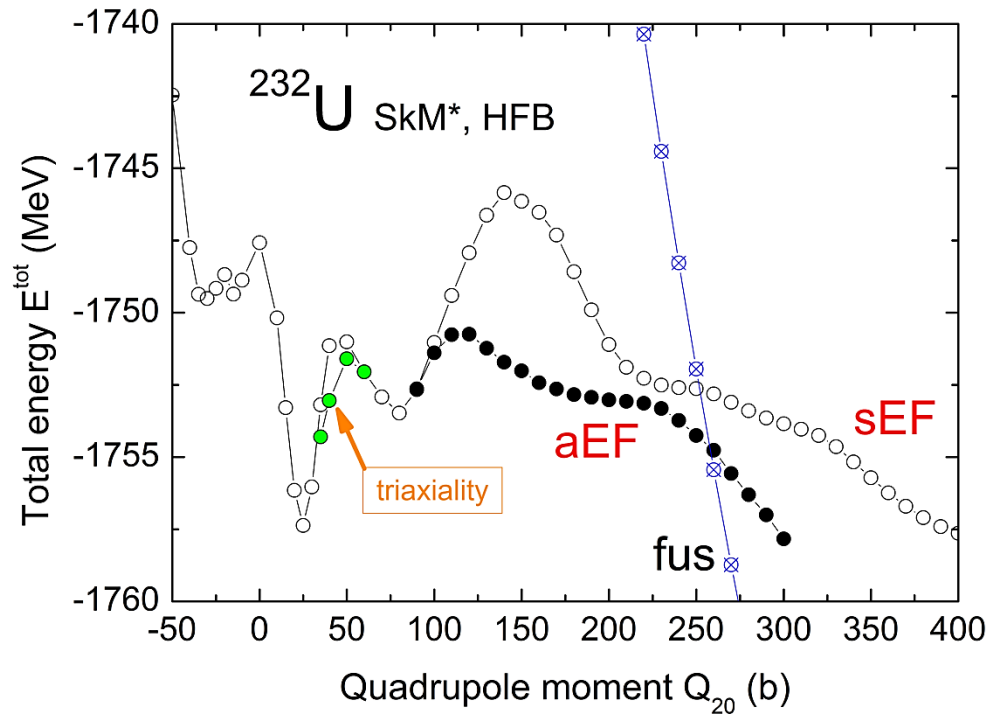
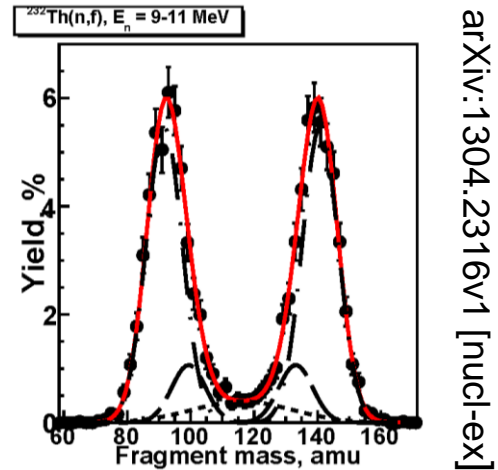
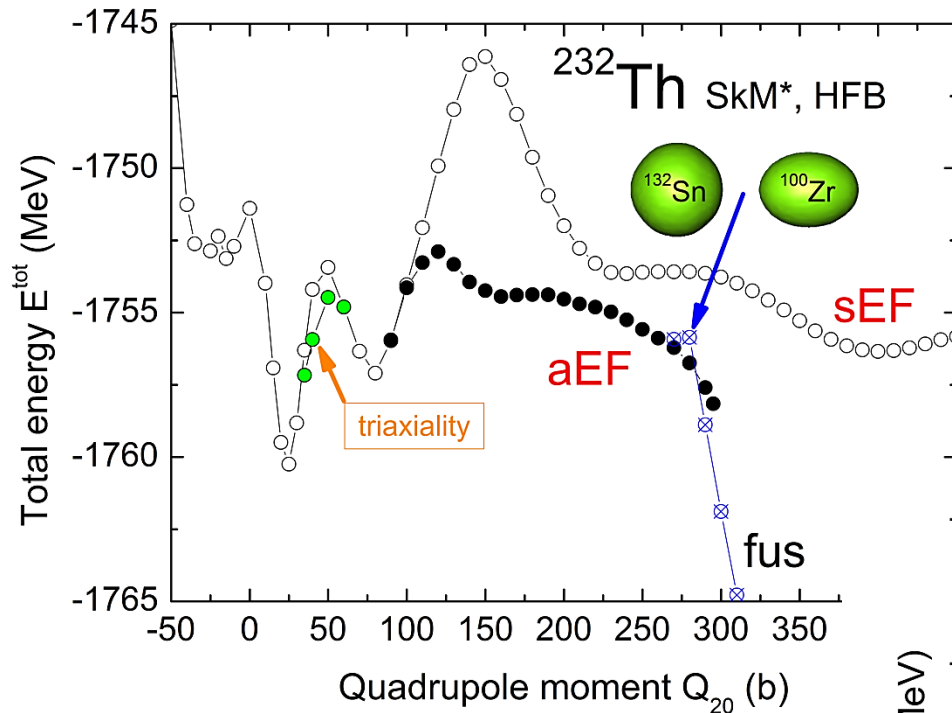
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^{180}Hg : asymmetric fission!



^{232}Th and ^{232}U : the third minima?



^{232}Th and ^{232}U : the third minima?

