

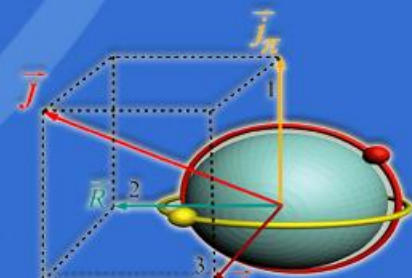


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# Search for the chiral doublet bands in $^{78}\text{Br}$

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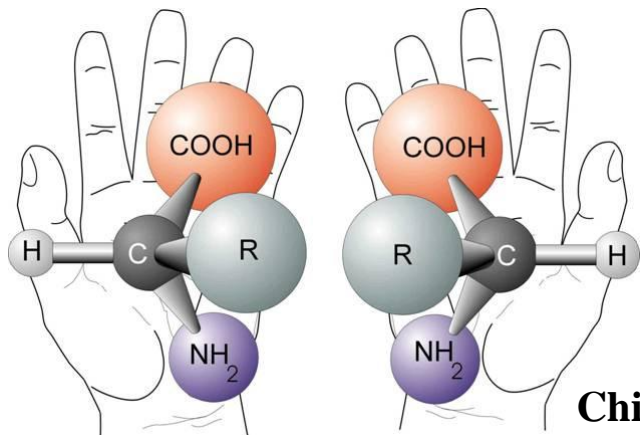
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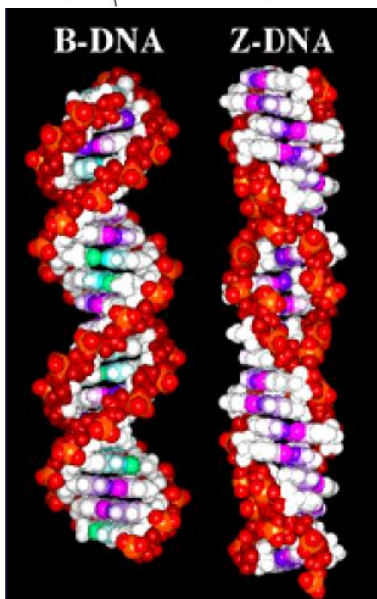


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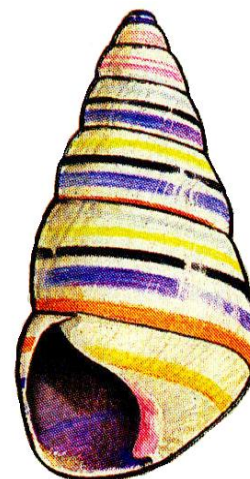


Chiral Molecules



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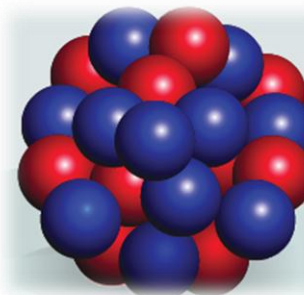
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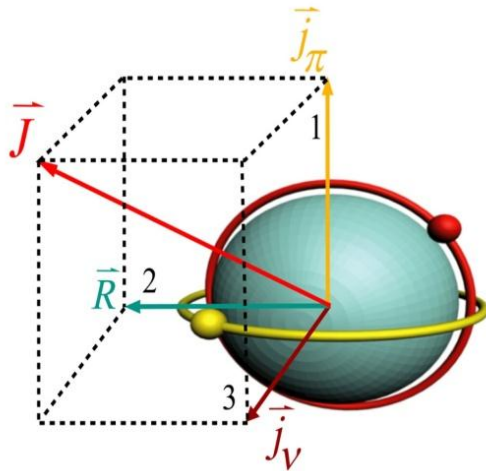
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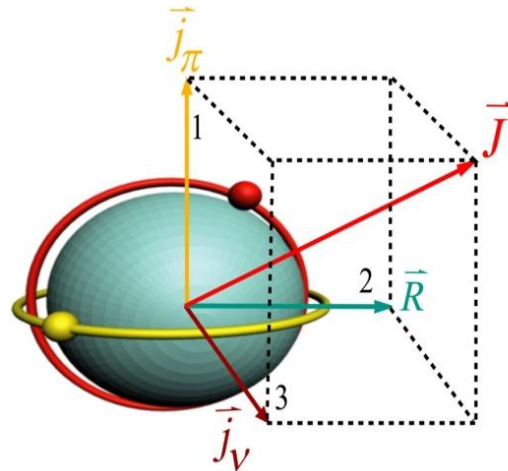
*Is Chirality in Nuclear World ???*



# Introduction



Left-handed  $|L\rangle$



Right-handed  $|R\rangle$

“chiral rotation”

In 1997, Frauendorf and Meng pointed out that the rotation of **triaxial nuclei** may attain a chiral character -- chiral doublet bands.

Frauendorf and Meng NPA617, 131(1997)

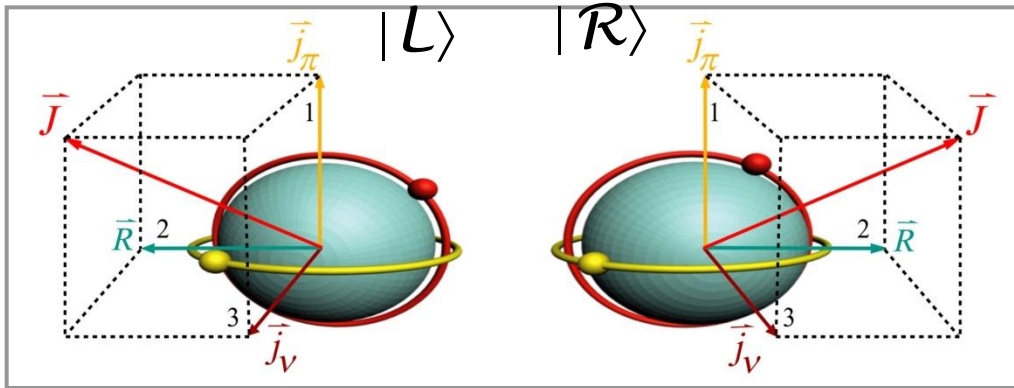


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## Intrinsic frame

Frauendorf and Meng NPA617, 131(1997)



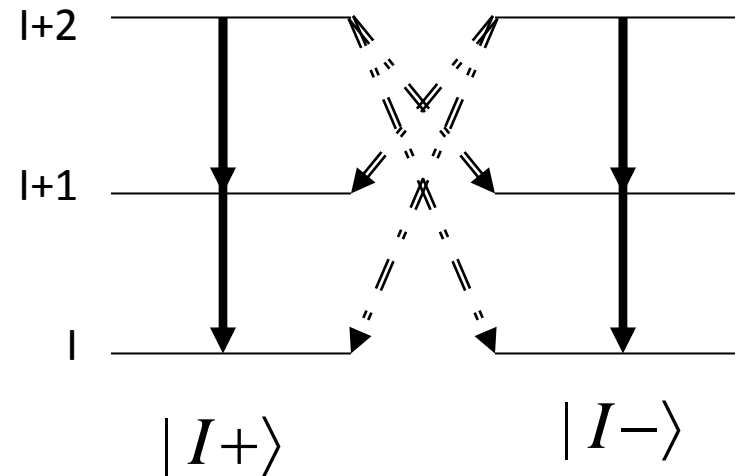
## chiral symmetry breaking

### Lab. frame:

restoration of symmetry breaking

$$|IM+\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\mathcal{R}\rangle + |\mathcal{L}\rangle),$$

$$|IM-\rangle = \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} (|\mathcal{R}\rangle - |\mathcal{L}\rangle),$$



### Expected exp. signal:

Two near degenerate  $\Delta I = 1$  bands, called **chiral doublet bands**



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New sideband partners of the yrast bands built on the  $\pi h_{11/2}\nu h_{11/2}$  configuration were identified in  $^{55}\text{Cs}$ ,  $^{57}\text{La}$ , and  $^{61}\text{Pm}$   $N = 75$  isotones of  $^{134}\text{Pr}$ . These bands form with  $^{134}\text{Pr}$  unique doublet-band systematics suggesting a common basis. Aplanar solutions of 3D tilted axis cranking calculations for triaxial shapes define left- and right-handed chiral systems out of the three angular momenta provided by the valence particles and the core rotation, which leads to spontaneous chiral symmetry breaking and the doublet bands. Small energy differences between the doublet bands suggest collective chiral vibrations.

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Static chirality exists in molecules composed of four different atoms and is common for biological and pharmaceutical molecules with important consequences. In particle physics, chirality is a dynamic property which distinguishes for massless fermions the parallel or antiparallel orientation

$\pi h_{11/2}\nu h_{11/2}$  configuration with the Fermi level near the bottom of the  $\pi h_{11/2}$  subshell and near the top of the  $\nu h_{11/2}$  subshell. Previous experimental information on the  $Z = 59$   $^{134}\text{Pr}$  isotope [3] revealed a nearly degenerate sideband feeding into the  $\Delta I = 1$   $\pi h_{11/2}\nu h_{11/2}$  yrast band



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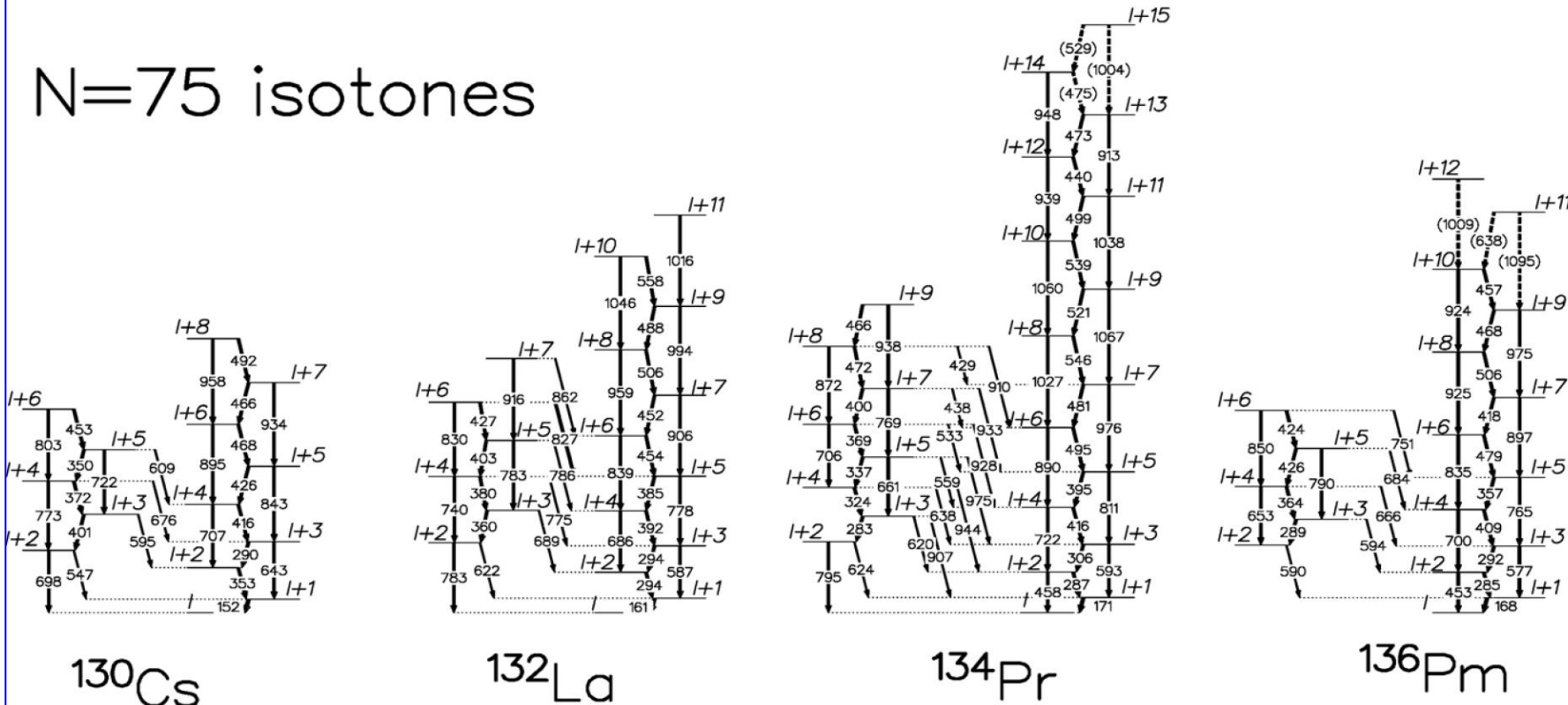
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### $N=75$ isotones



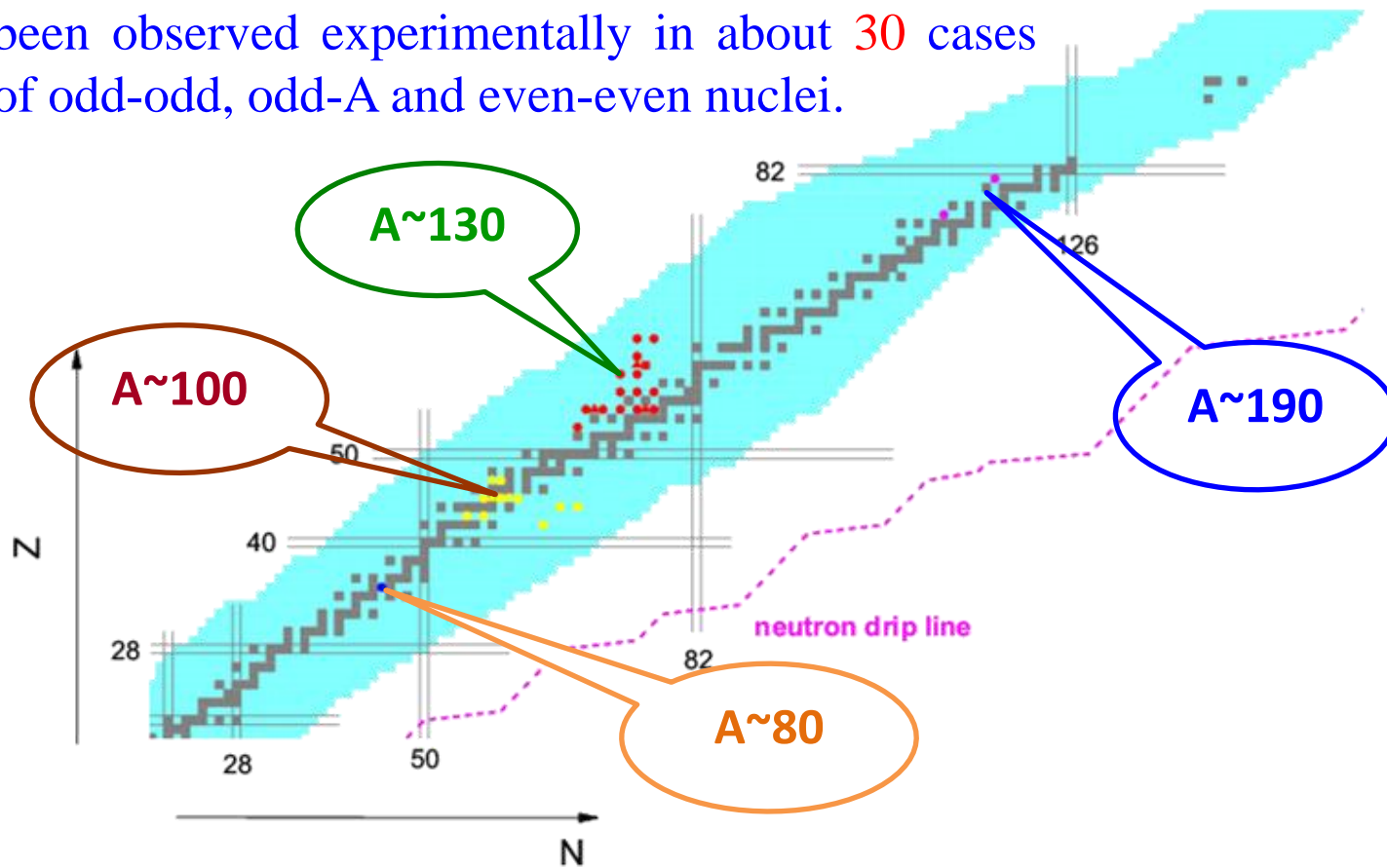




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So far, candidates for chiral doublet bands have been observed experimentally in about 30 cases of odd-odd, odd-A and even-even nuclei.



J. Meng and S. Q. Zhang, *J. Phys. G: Nucl. Part. Phys.* 37 (2010) 064025







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- Very recent work on  $^{80}\text{Br}$  performed at iThemba LABS has provided the first evidence for chirality in the  $A \sim 80$  mass region.

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The first candidate for chiral nuclei in the  $A \sim 80$  mass region:  $^{80}\text{Br}$

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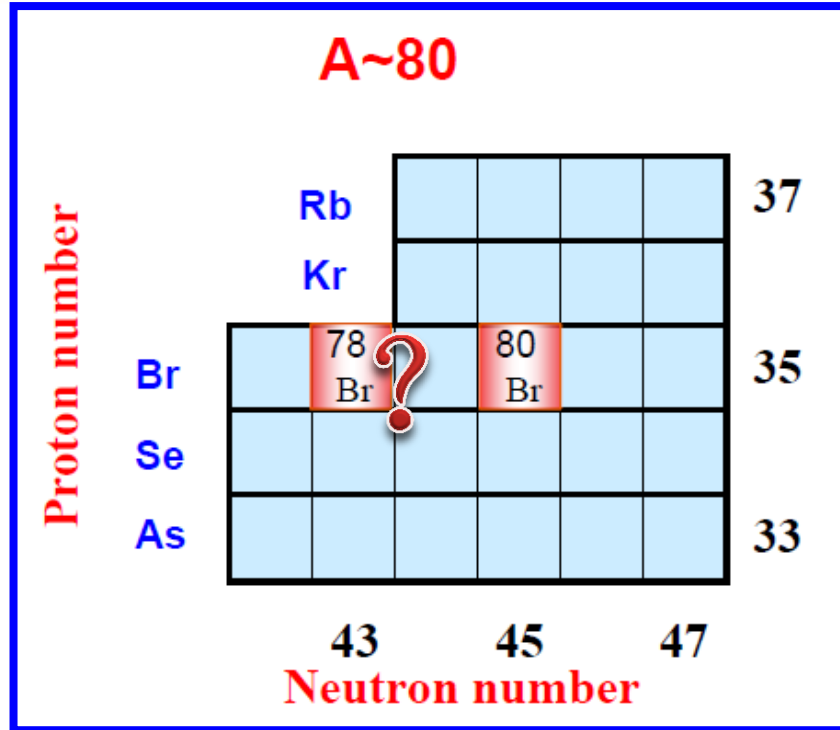
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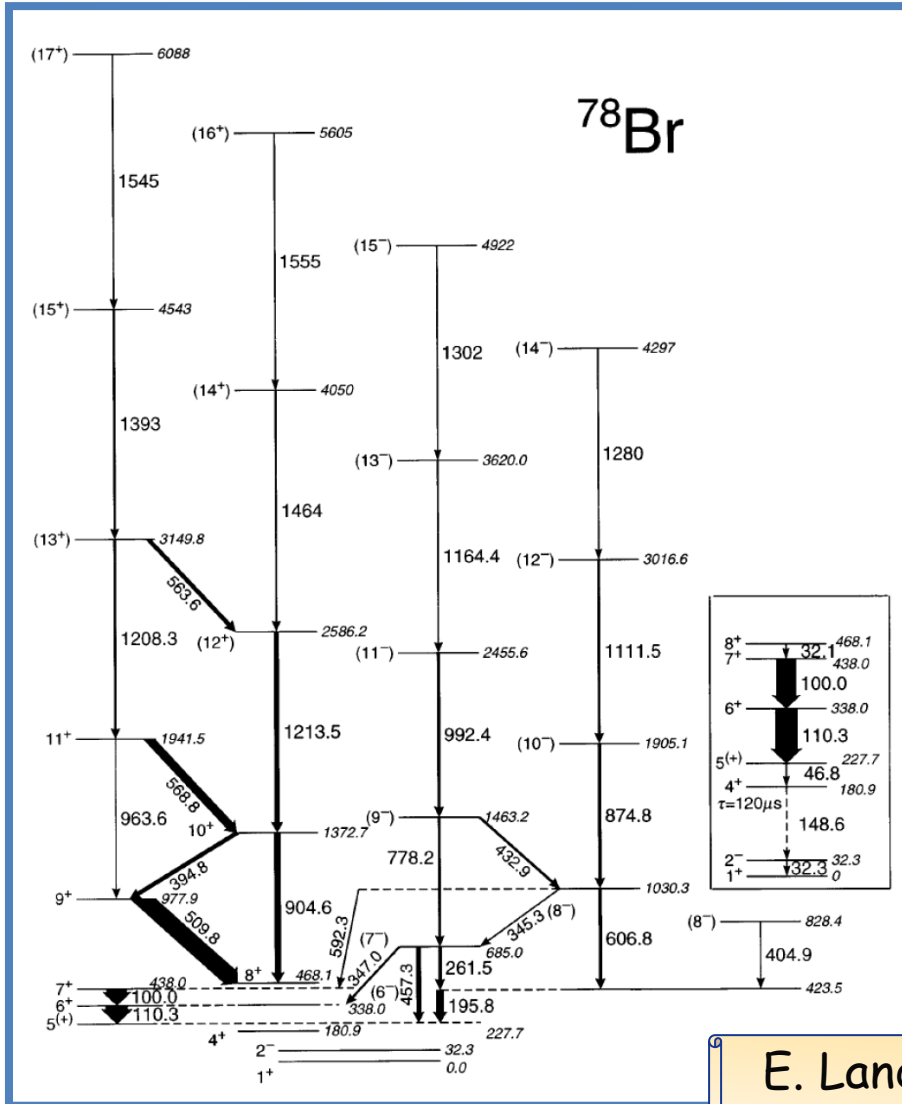
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- Hence, it is interesting to populate high-spin states of  $^{78}\text{Br}$  and to search for chiral doublet bands.
- It is also important to establish whether chirality exists in more than one odd-odd nuclei in the A~80 mass region in order to provide systemic survey on the chiral interpretation.



# Previous study of $^{78}\text{Br}$



➤ Previous investigation on high-spin states of  $^{78}\text{Br}$  was performed at the Florida State University with  $^{70}\text{Zn}$  ( $^{11}\text{B}$ ,  $3n$ ) at 45 MeV beam energy.

➤ No sideband of the yrast band was observed.

E. Landulfo et al., Phys. Rev. C 54, 626 (1996).



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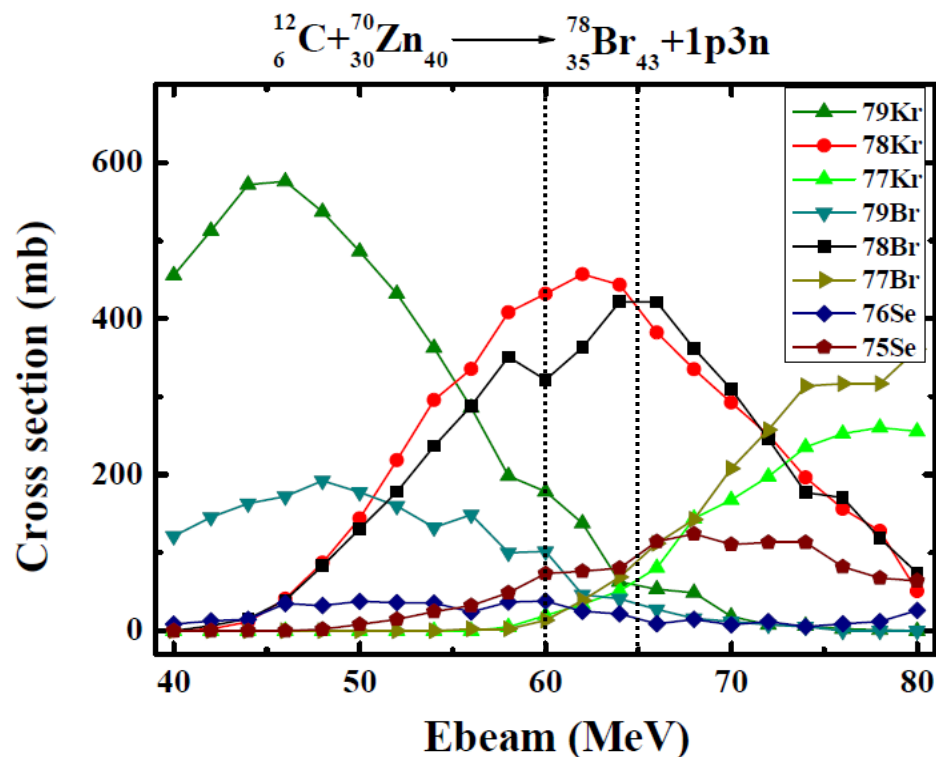


- The experiment was carried out at the iThemba LABS in South Africa in Feb. 2012.





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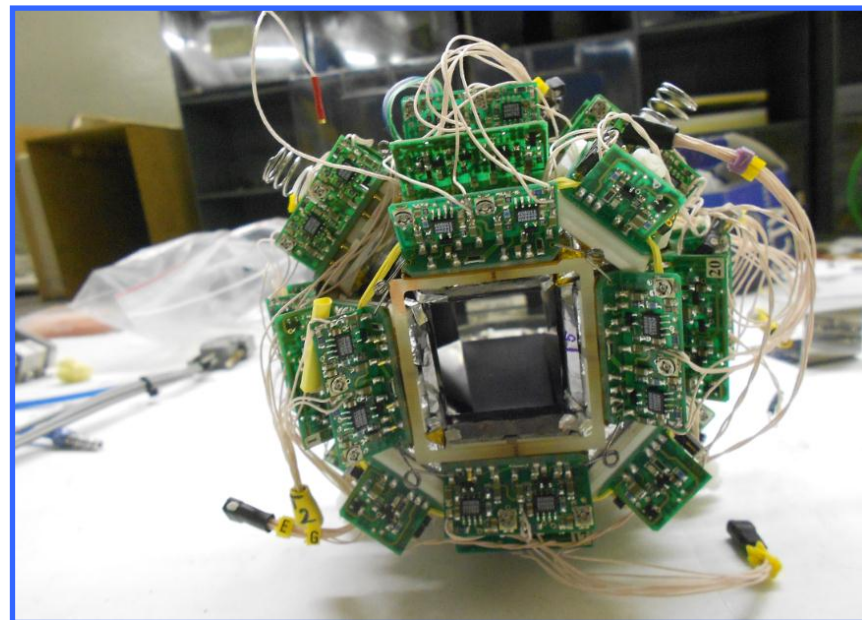
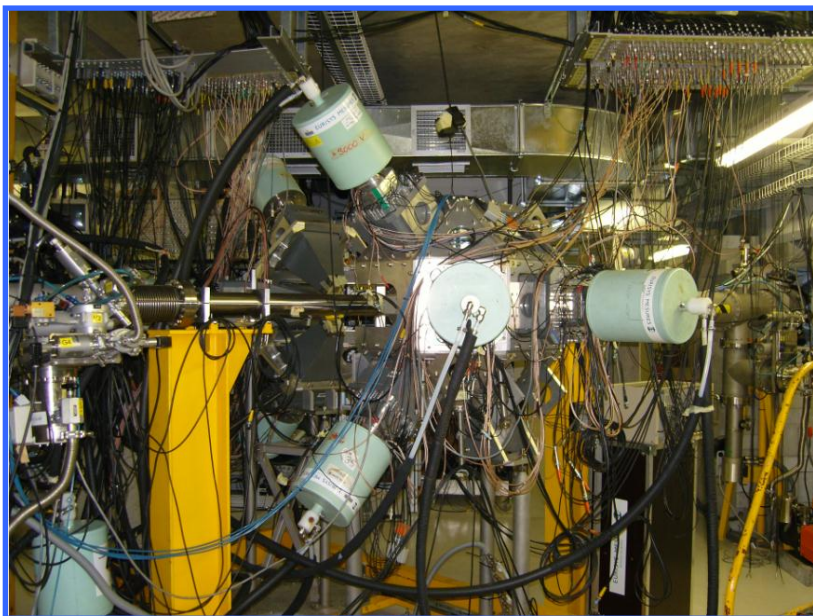


Cross sections have been calculated with the PACE2 program.

The  ${}^{70}\text{Zn}({}^{12}\text{C}, 1\text{p}3\text{n})$  reaction is used to populated the high spin states of  ${}^{78}\text{Br}$  at a beam energy of **65** & **60** MeV.



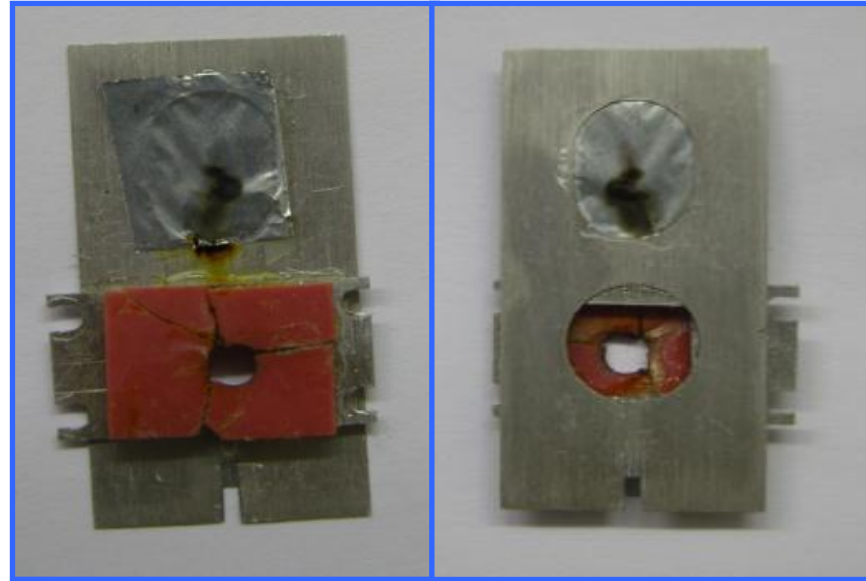
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- The  $\gamma$ -rays were measured with the detector array AFRODITE, which consists of 8 Compton Suppressed Clover detectors.
- The DIAMANT array of CsI particle detectors were also used to select reaction channels.



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- The Zn target is a  $0.85 \text{ mg/cm}^2$  self-supported metallic foil.



# Experiment Details



- The experiment lasted 145 hours.
- A total of  $1.5 \times 10^9$   $\gamma$ - $\gamma$  coincidence events were collected in the experiment and sorted into  $E\gamma$ - $E\gamma$  matrix as well as  $E\gamma$ - $E\gamma$ - $E\gamma$  cube.
- The  $\gamma$ - $\gamma$  coincidence events were picked out in the one-proton and  $\alpha$  emission channels using DIAMANT, respectively.
- A p- $E\gamma$ - $E\gamma$  matrix was sorted.



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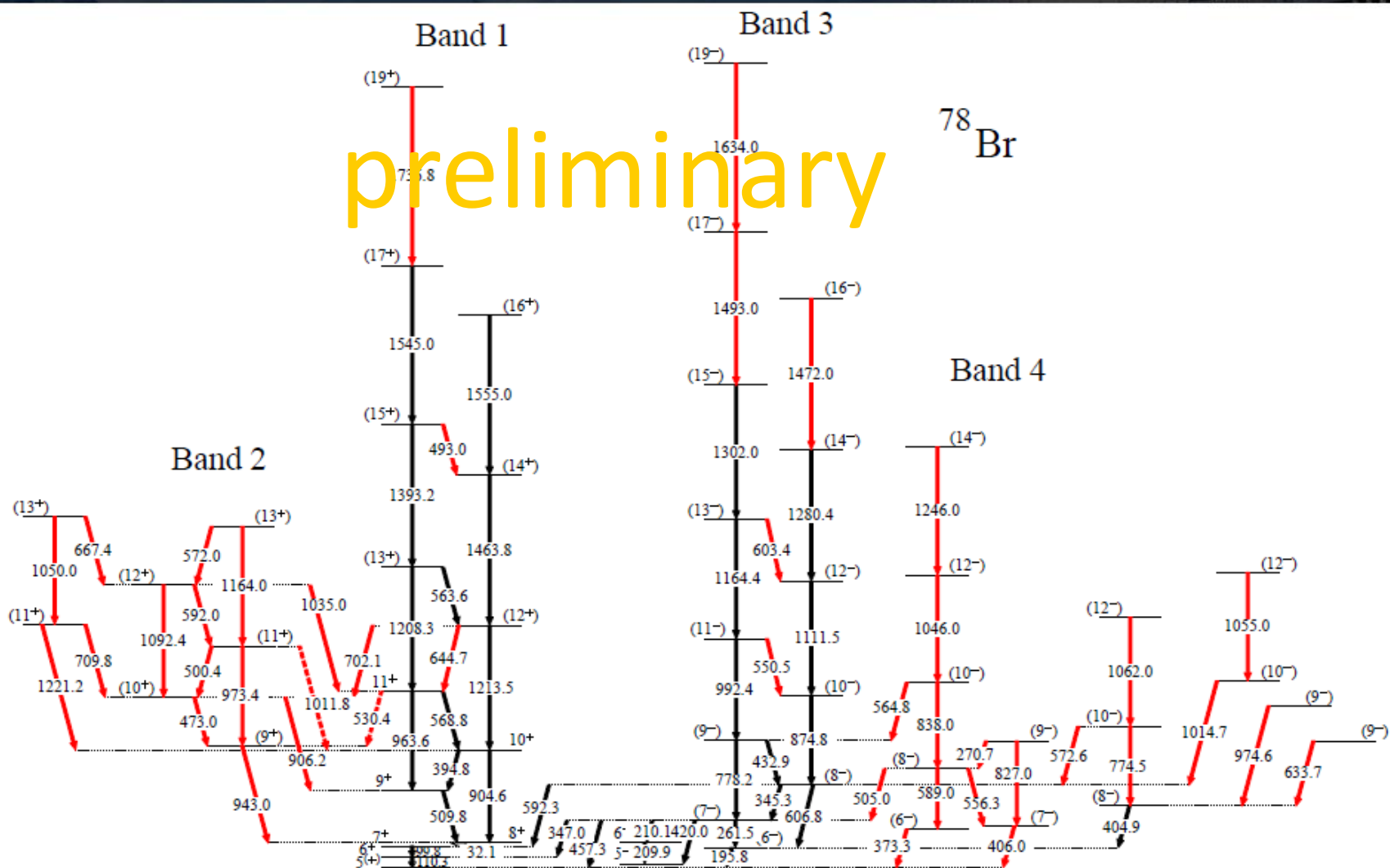


# Level Scheme of $^{78}\text{Br}$



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Level scheme of  $^{78}\text{Br}$  deduced from the present work.







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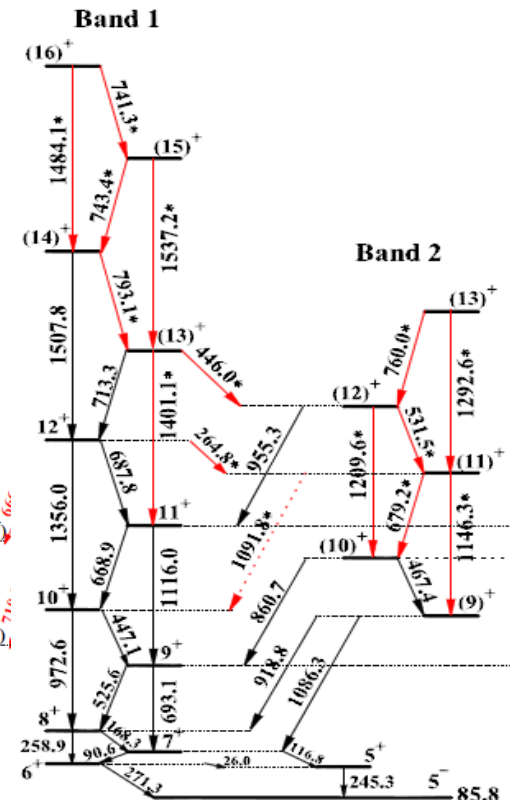
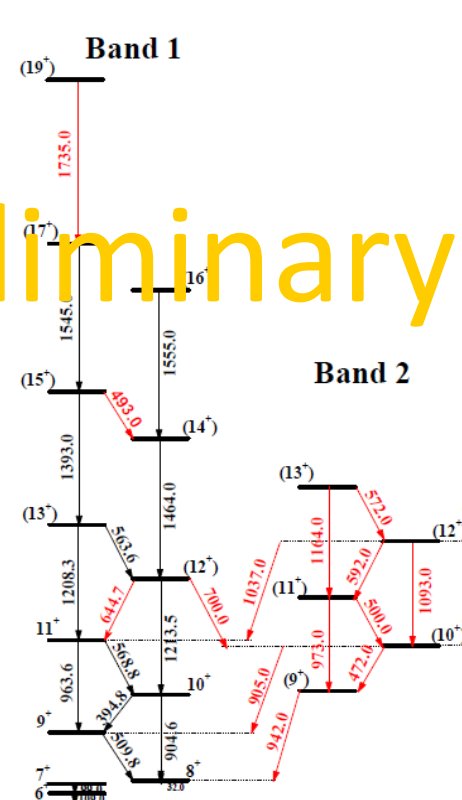
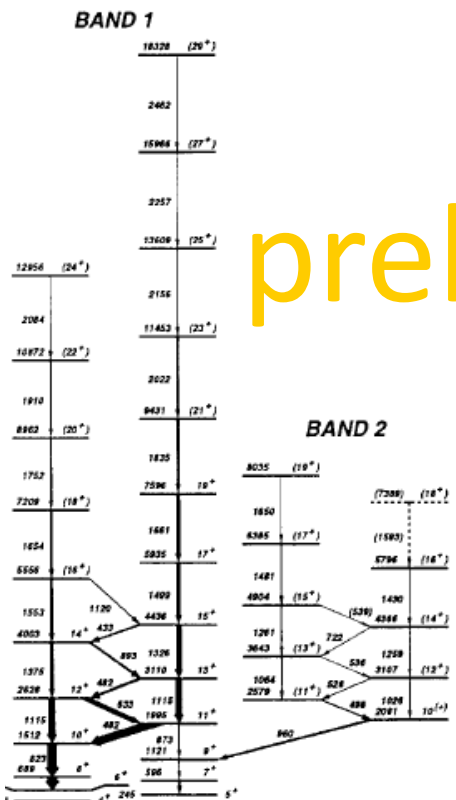
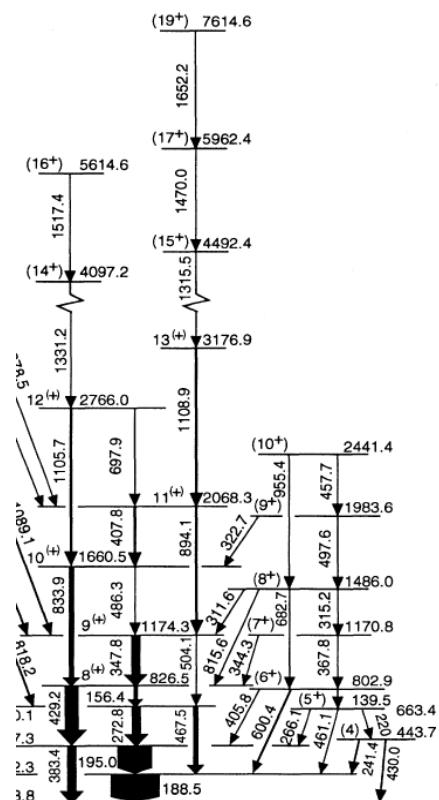


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**<sup>78</sup>Br**

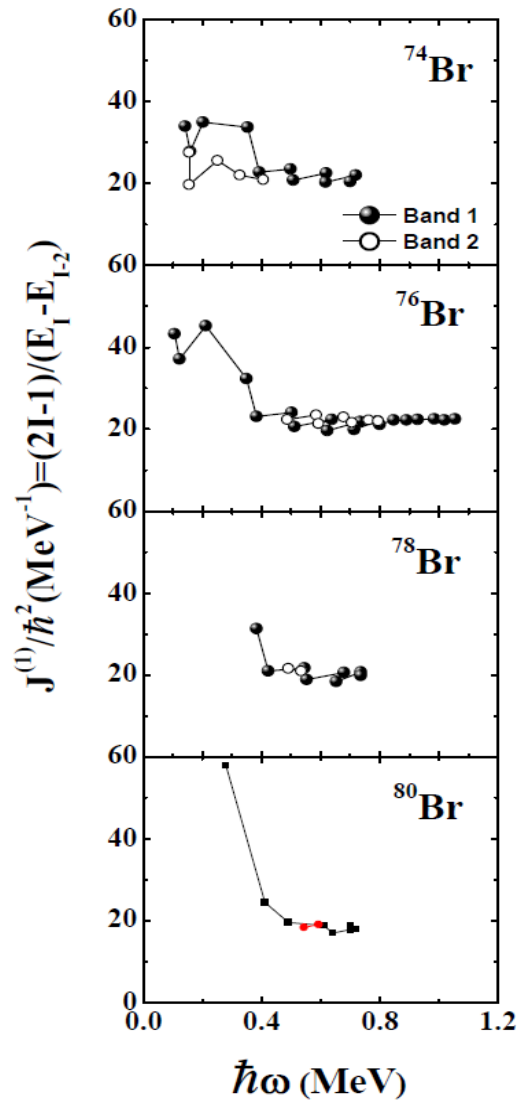
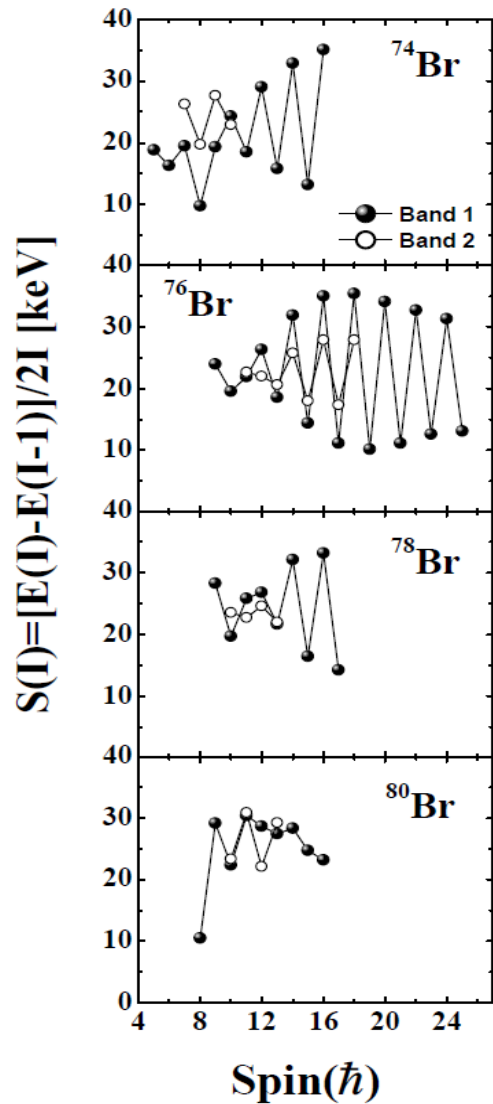
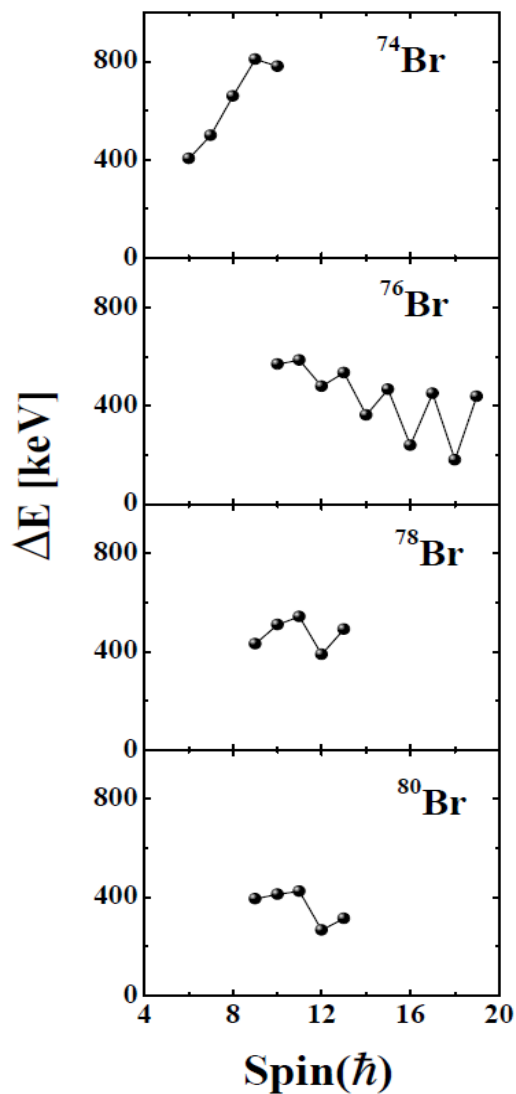
**<sup>80</sup>Br**



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- In  $^{78}\text{Br}$ , The two bands maintain an energy difference around 500 keV within the observed spin interval.
- The experimental values of  $S(I)$  have an almost constant value of  $\sim 25$  keV/ $\hbar$  in those nuclei.
- The two bands in  $^{78}\text{Br}$  has similar  $S(I)$  values.
- The two bands in  $^{78}\text{Br}$  have similar  $J^{(1)}$  values, which infer those bands have similar deformations.



# PRM (Particle Rotor Model)<sup>[1,2]</sup> calculation

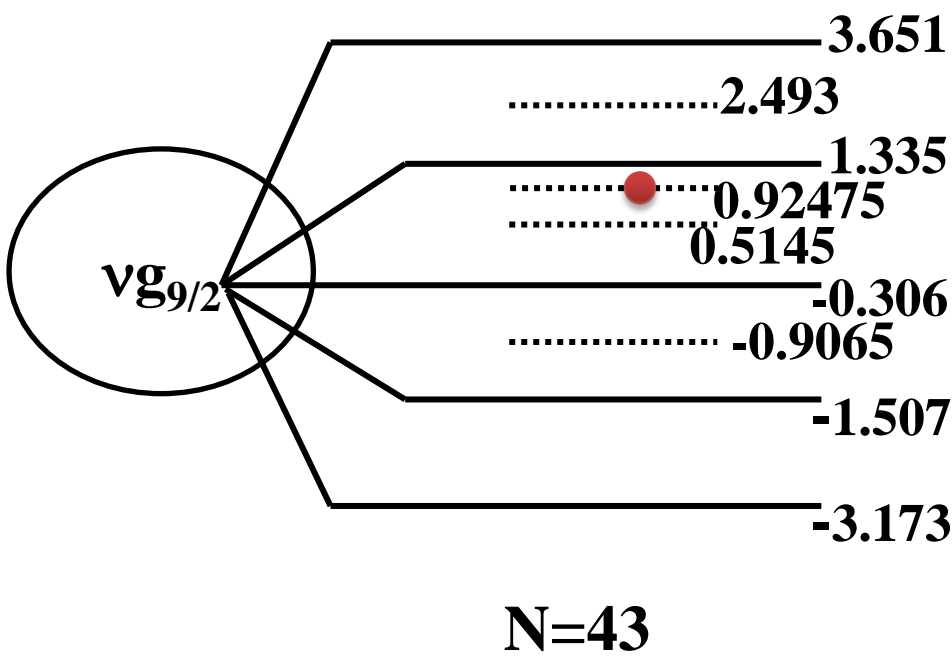
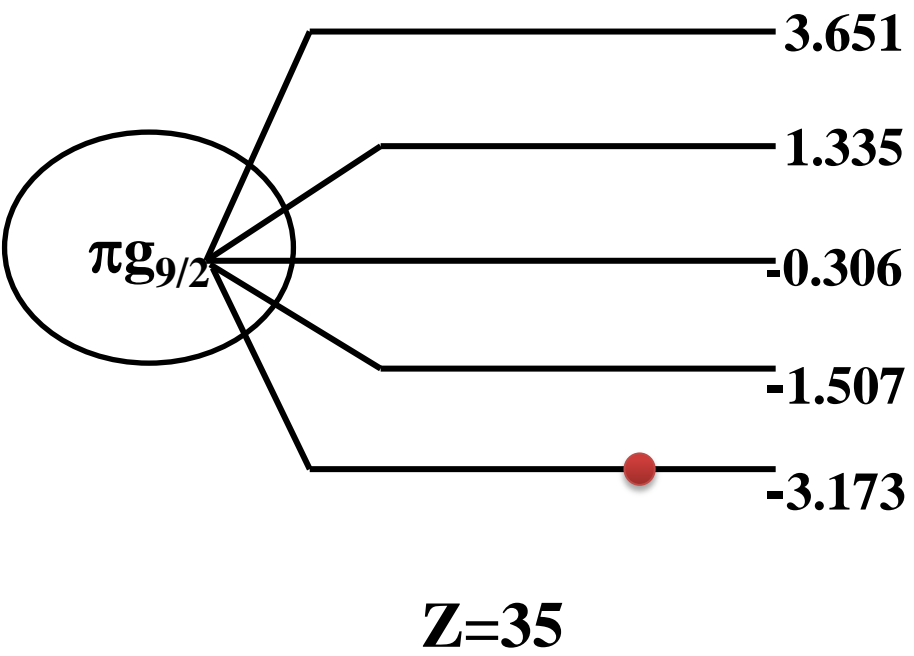
Parameter	Calculation method	Value	Note
$C_p/C_n$	$C = \frac{38.8(N+3/2)}{J(J+1)} A^{-1/3} \beta$ [3]	0.646/0.646	Coupling parameter
Gamma	Ref. [4]	21.3°	Deformation parameter
$\xi$		12	
$2j_p+1/2j_n+1$	$\pi g_{9/2} \otimes \nu g_{9/2}$ [4]	10/10	
$I_{sta}/I_{end}$		1/24	
$g_p - g_R / g_n - g_R$	$g_p/g_n \quad g_R \approx Z/A \approx 0.45$ [3]	0.811/-0.705	g factor
$Q_0$	$Q_0 = \frac{3}{\sqrt{5}\pi} R^2 Z \beta_2$ [3]	2.485	
Deltap/Deltan	$\Delta_p = \Delta_n = 12/\sqrt{A}$ [3]	1.359/1.359	

- [1] S. Y. Wang *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 75,024309 (2007). [3]. S. Y. Wang *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 77, 034314 (2008)  
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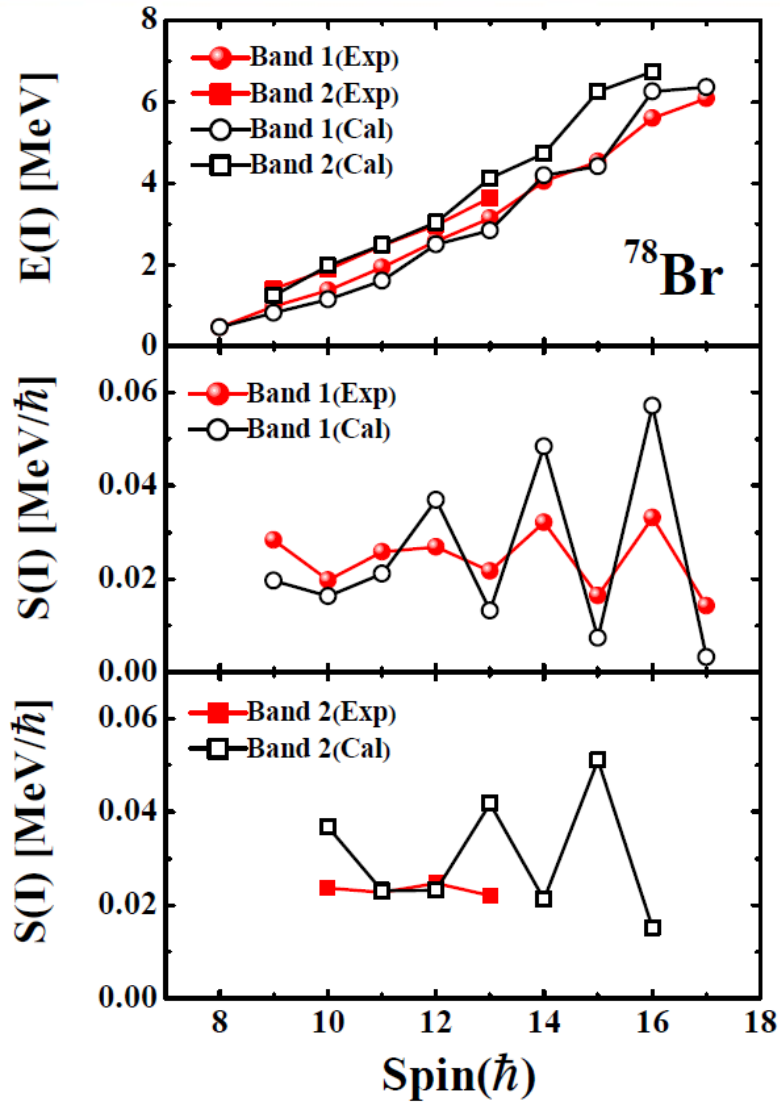
# PRM (Particle Rotor Model) calculation

Parameter	Calculation method	Value	Note
Lamdap/Lamdan		-3.173/0.9248	Femi energy





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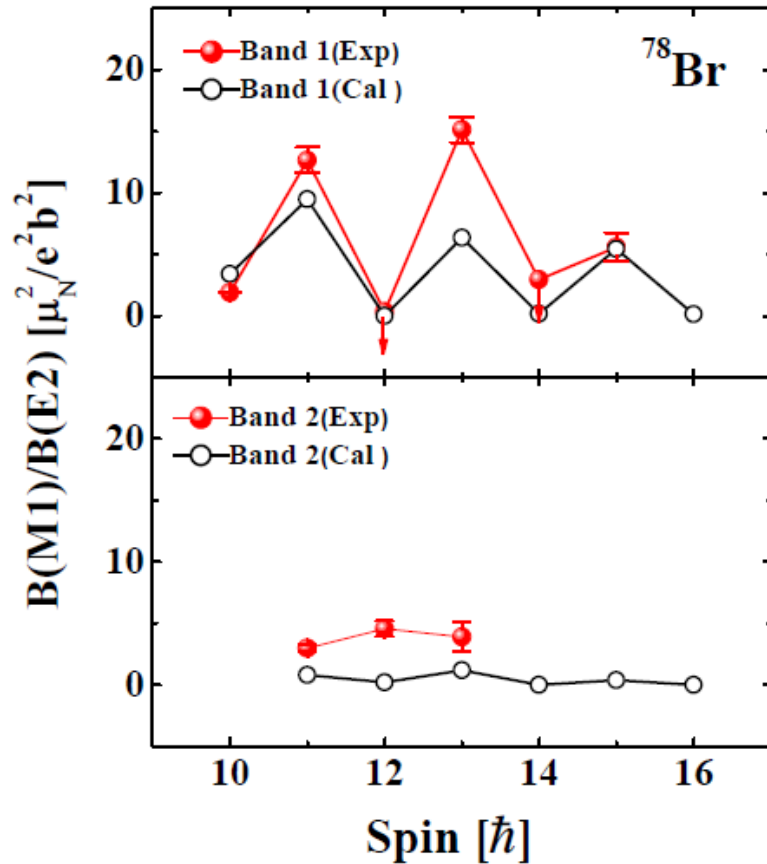


➤ the experimental energy spectra were well reproduced.

➤ The theoretical  $S(I)$  values have same magnitudes with the experimental values.



# PRM (Particle Rotor Model) calculation



- The magnitude and trend of the ratios with spin are reproduced quite well.
- The  $B(M1)/B(E2)$  values of band 1 present obvious stagger during the spin interval, while band 2 have relatively smaller  $B(M1)/B(E2)$  values than band 1.



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# Conclusion

- High-spin states of  $^{78}\text{Br}$  were populated using the  $^{70}\text{Zn}(^{12}\text{C}, 1\text{p}3\text{n})$  reaction at the iThemba LABS in South Africa.
- The previously known level scheme of  $^{78}\text{Br}$  has been extended.
- The study of systematics in  $A\sim 80$  mass region show that the two positive-parity bands in  $^{78}\text{Br}$  have similar characters with those in  $^{80}\text{Br}$ .
- The observed energy levels and the ratio of the electromagnetic transition probabilities of the doublet bands in  $^{78}\text{Br}$  are well reproduced by the particle rotor model.
- $^{78}\text{Br}$  might be another candidate of chiral nucleus in  $A\sim 80$  mass region . The further works are still on.



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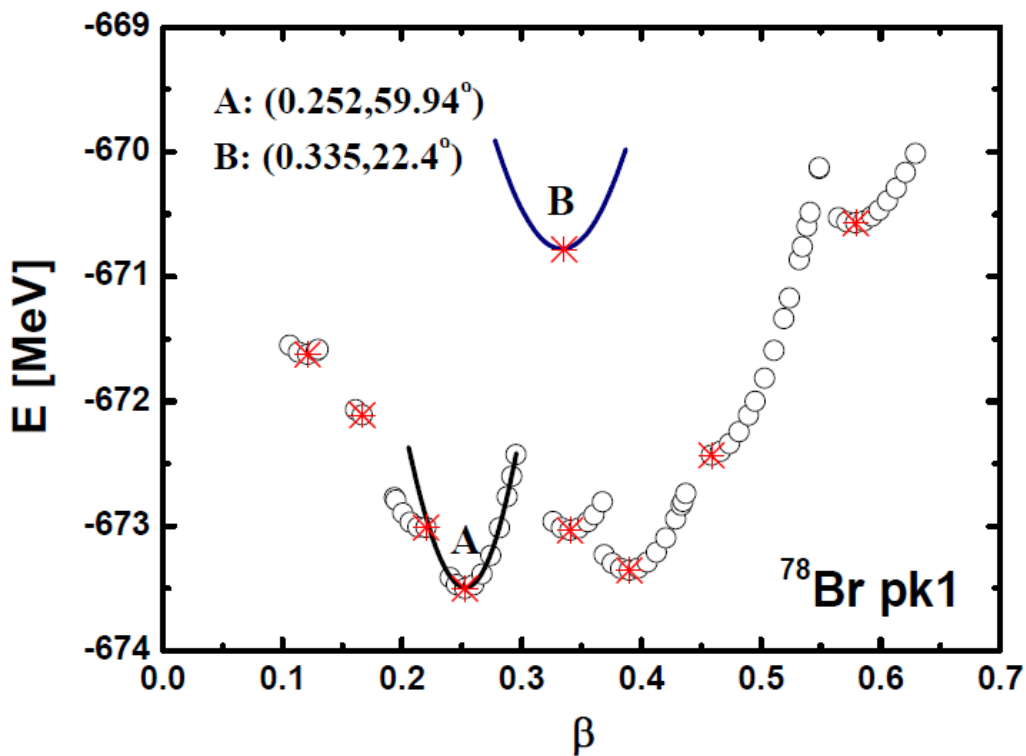
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# $^{78}\text{Br}$ RMF计算结果

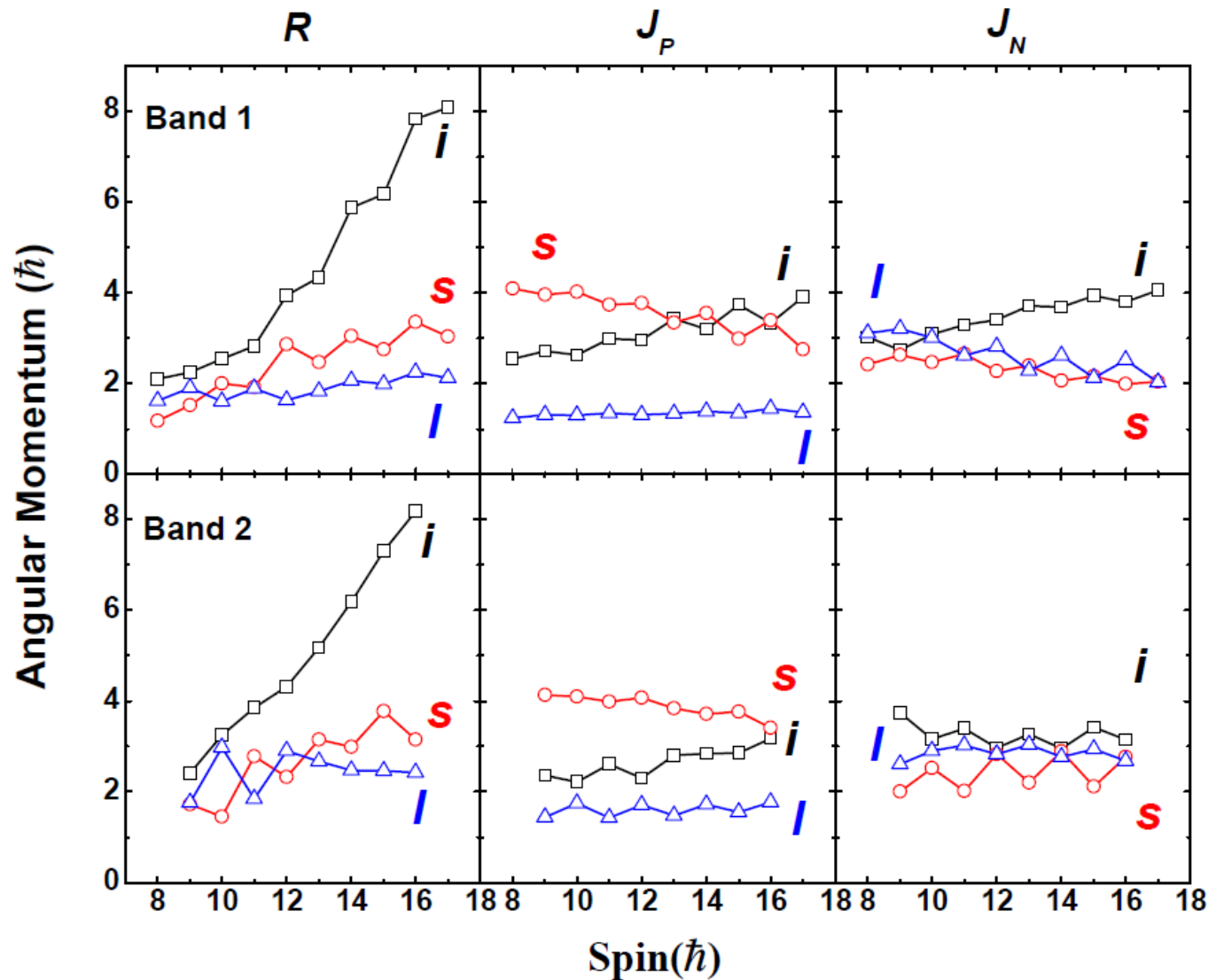


A为 $\pi g_{9/2}^1 \otimes \nu g_{9/2}^{-5}$ 组态

B为 $\pi g_{9/2}^3 \otimes \nu g_{9/2}^{-5}$ 组态



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