

Insight in neutron-rich Zn isotopes

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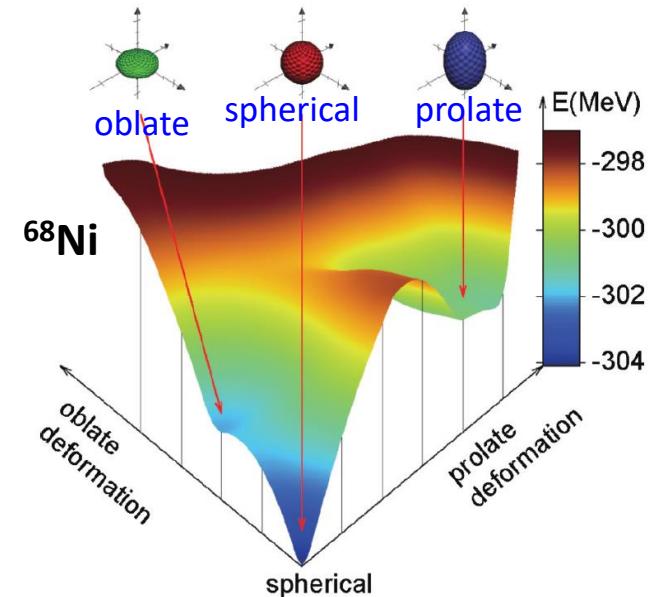
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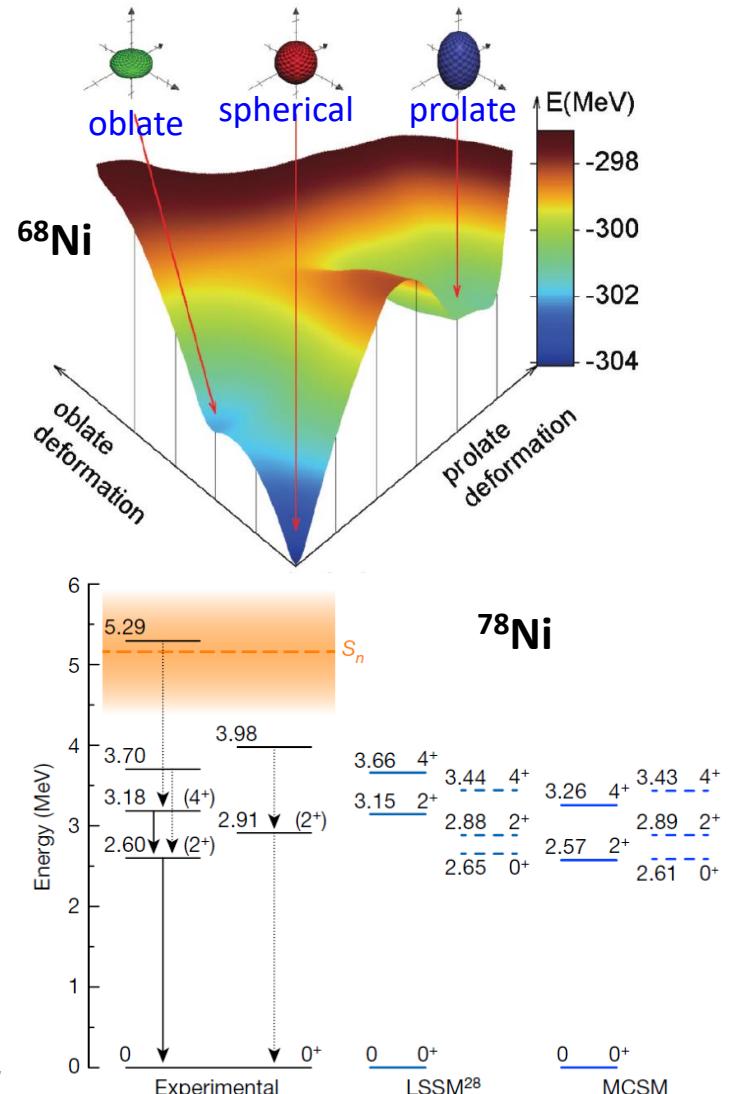
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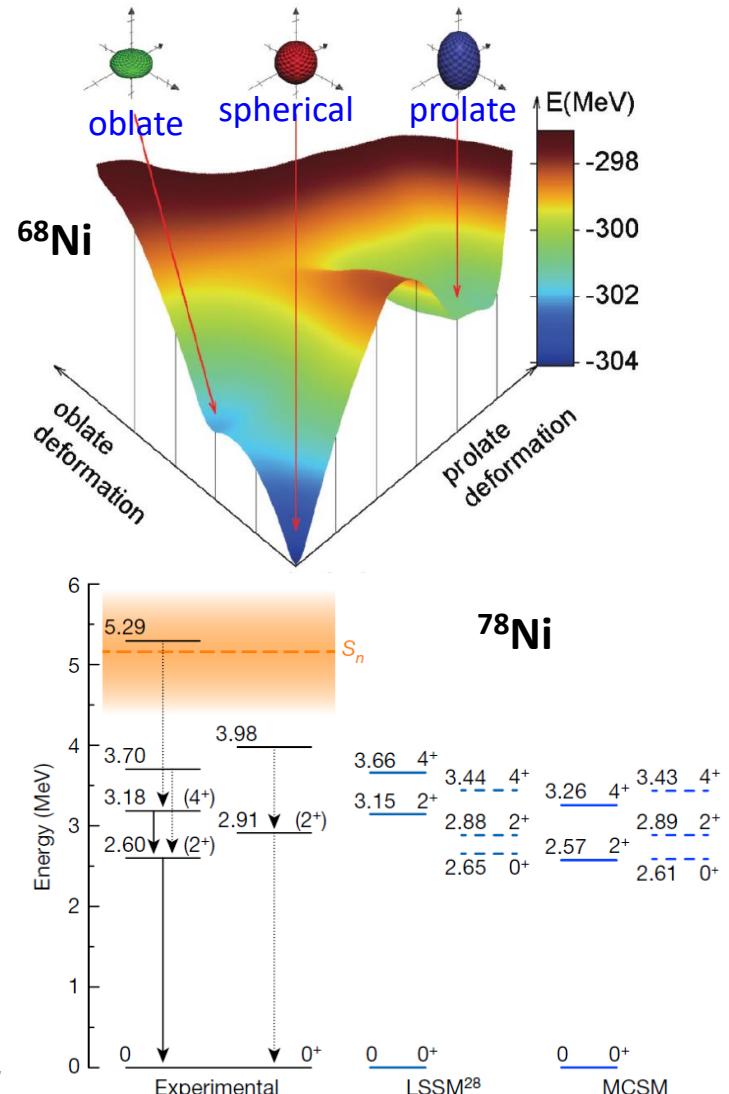
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Ge isotopes are known to present triaxial trends

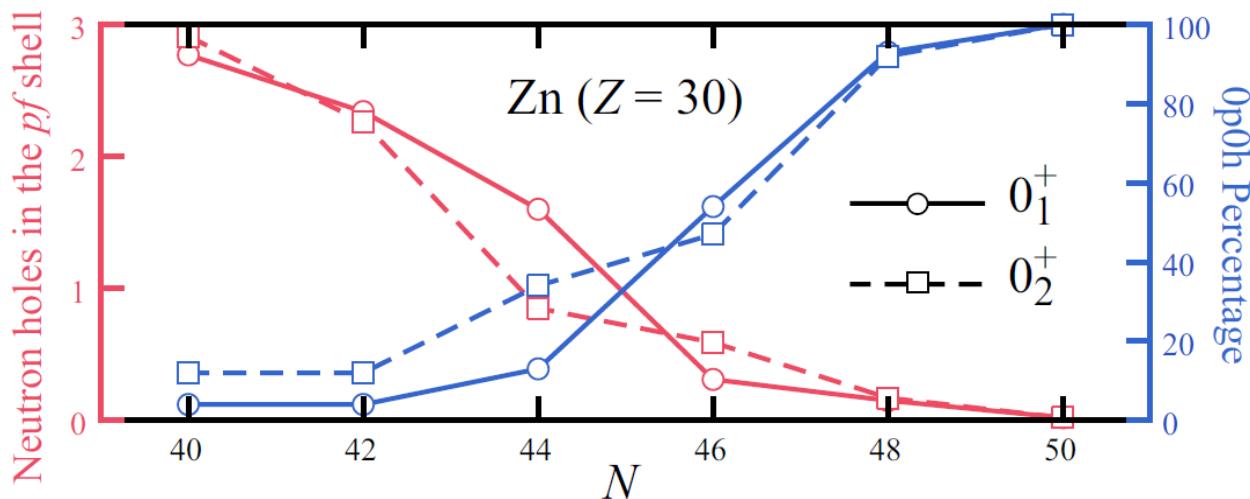


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Very recently, ^{74}Zn was investigated and two new excited bands $K=0$ and $K=2$ were observed. From data and large-scale shell-model (SM) calculations, it was shown that

- the g.s. is strongly triaxial as well as the excited bands
- the g.s. involves more neutron (ν) excitations across the $N=40$ gap than the 0_2^+ state extending the island of inversion above Fe
- SM calculations predict in Zn isotopes a drastic reduction of the pf-to-dg ν excitations from $N=40$ to $N=50$

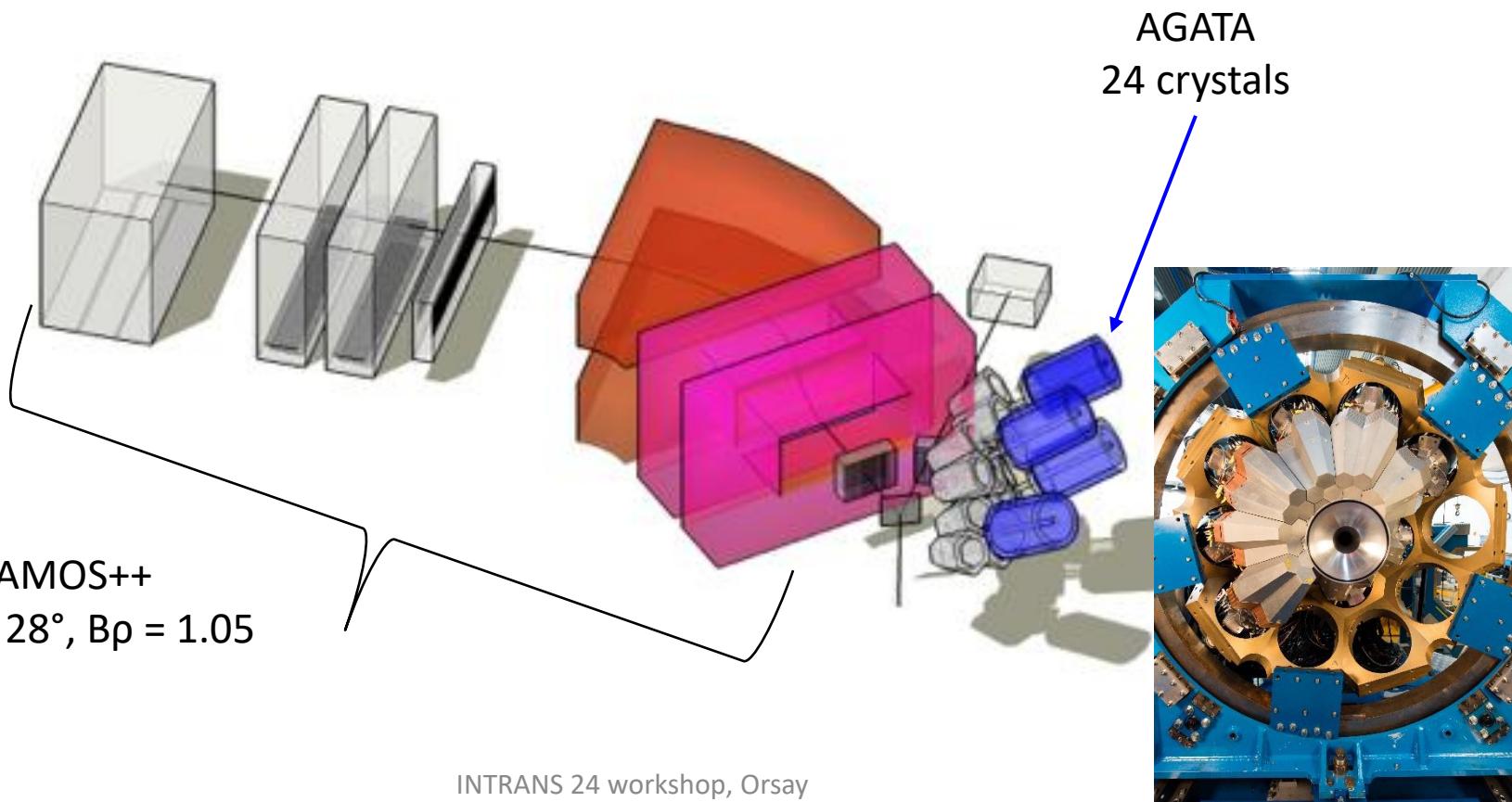
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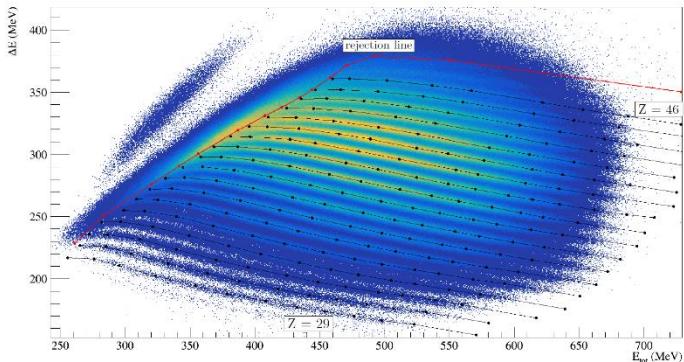
Experimental setup

Fusion-fission reaction in inverse kinematics – $^{238}\text{U}(6.2 \text{ MeV/n}) + ^9\text{Be}$ – at GANIL

Couple AGATA (8 ATC) to the recoil spectrometer VAMOS++



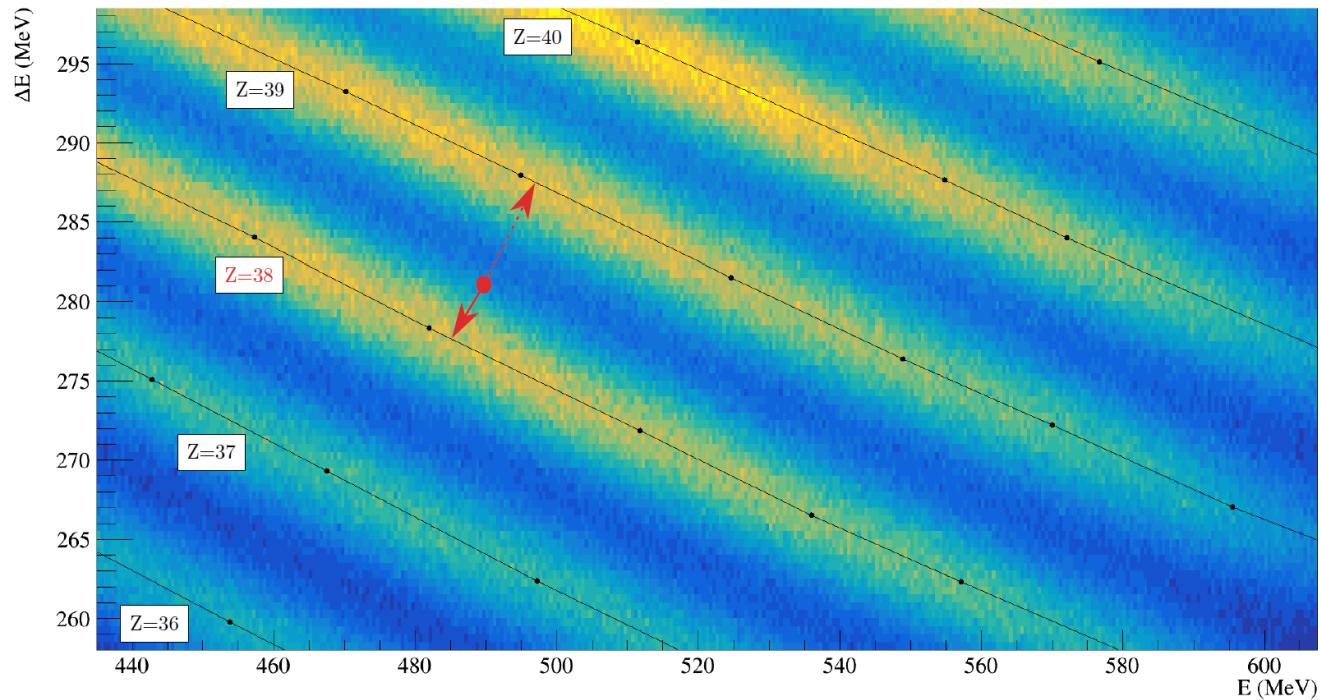
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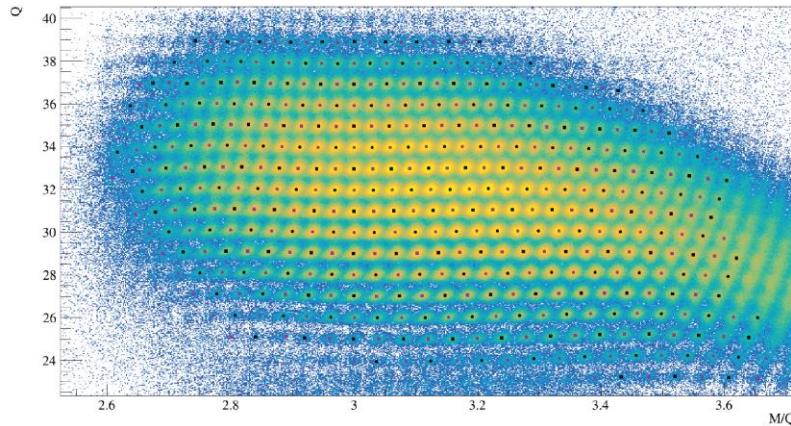
Z identification

- the identified Z value is chosen as the one of the closest line
- the distance to line is used as a quality factor

Final Z resolution $\Delta Z/Z \sim 1.5\%$



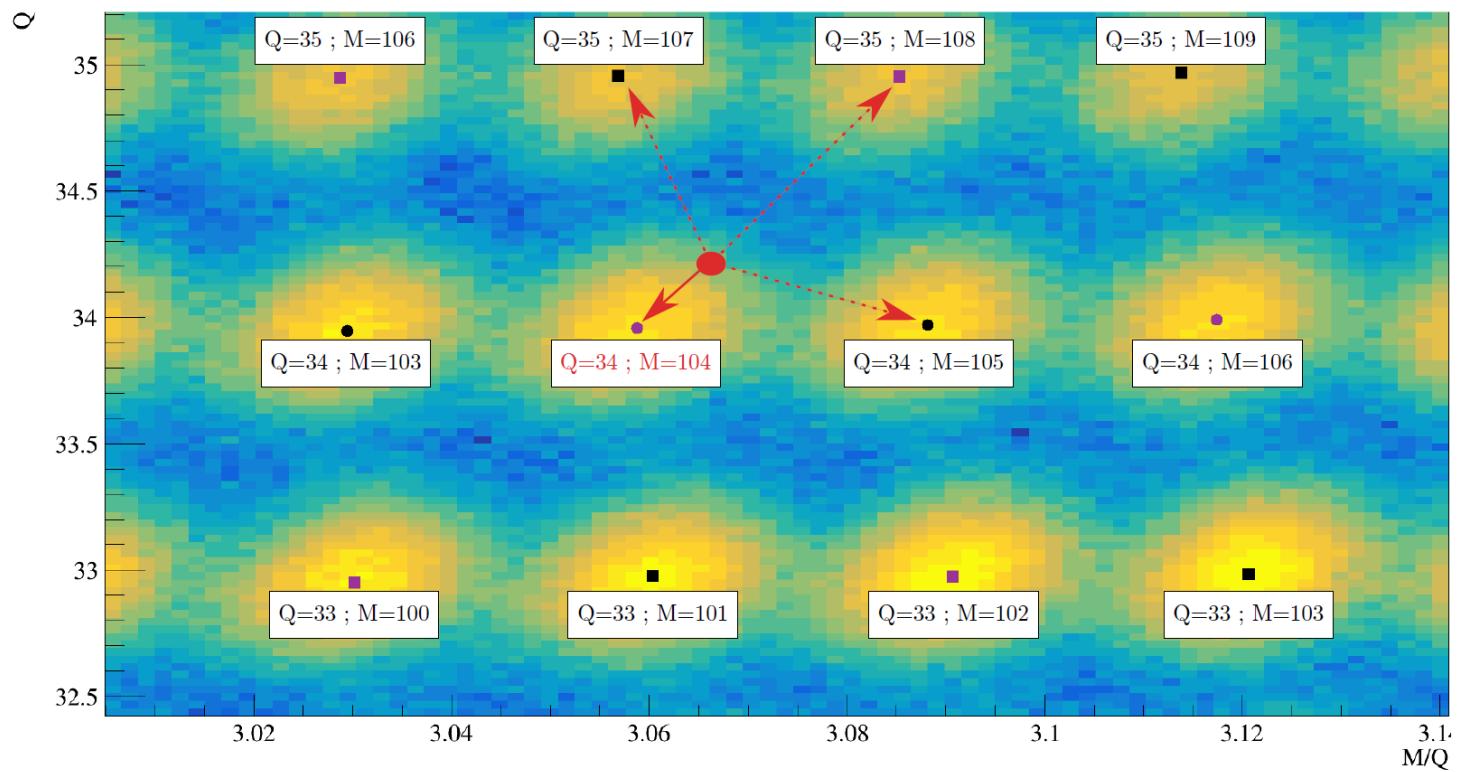
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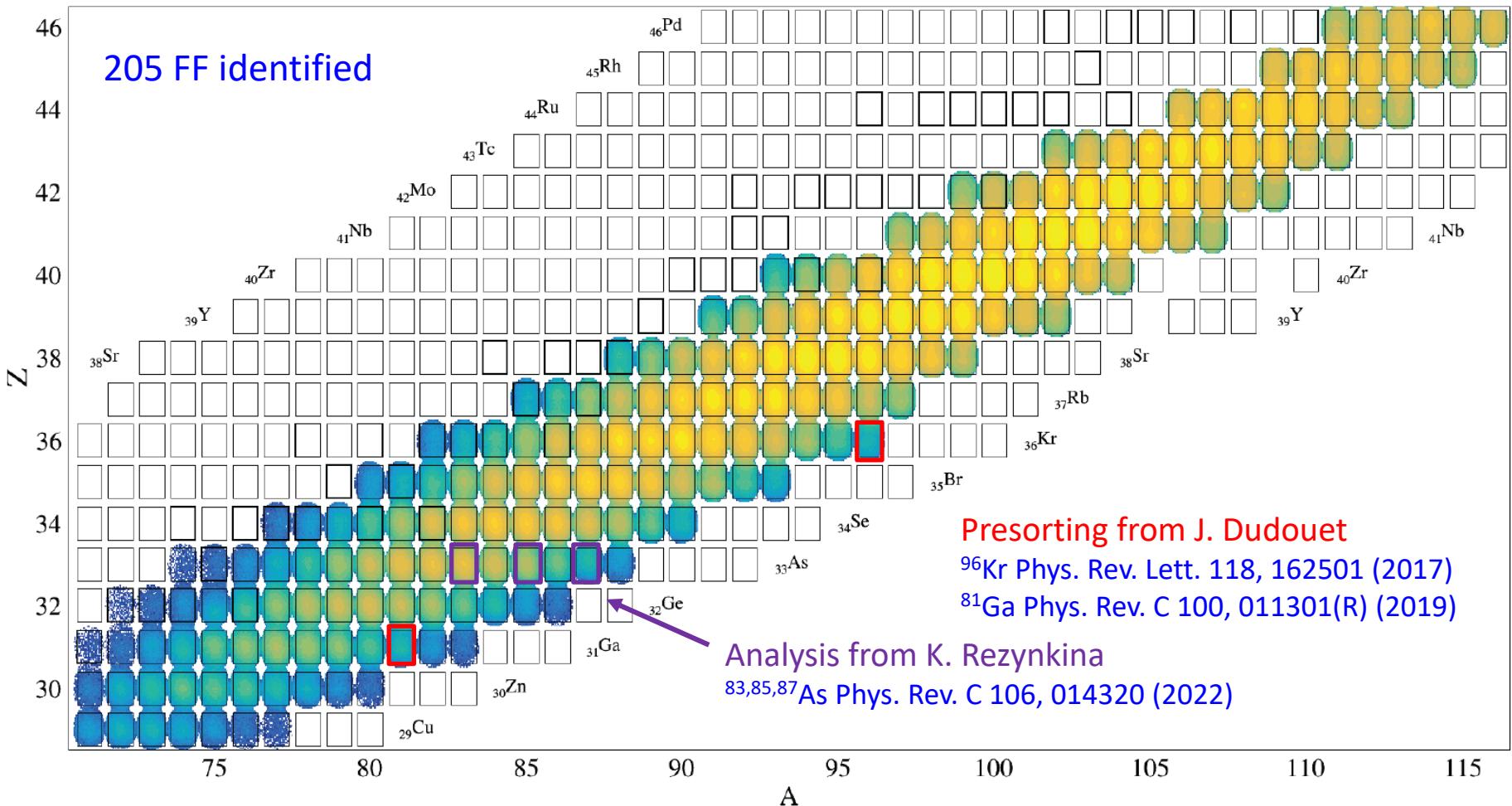
Mass identification

- distance to marker is used as a quality factor

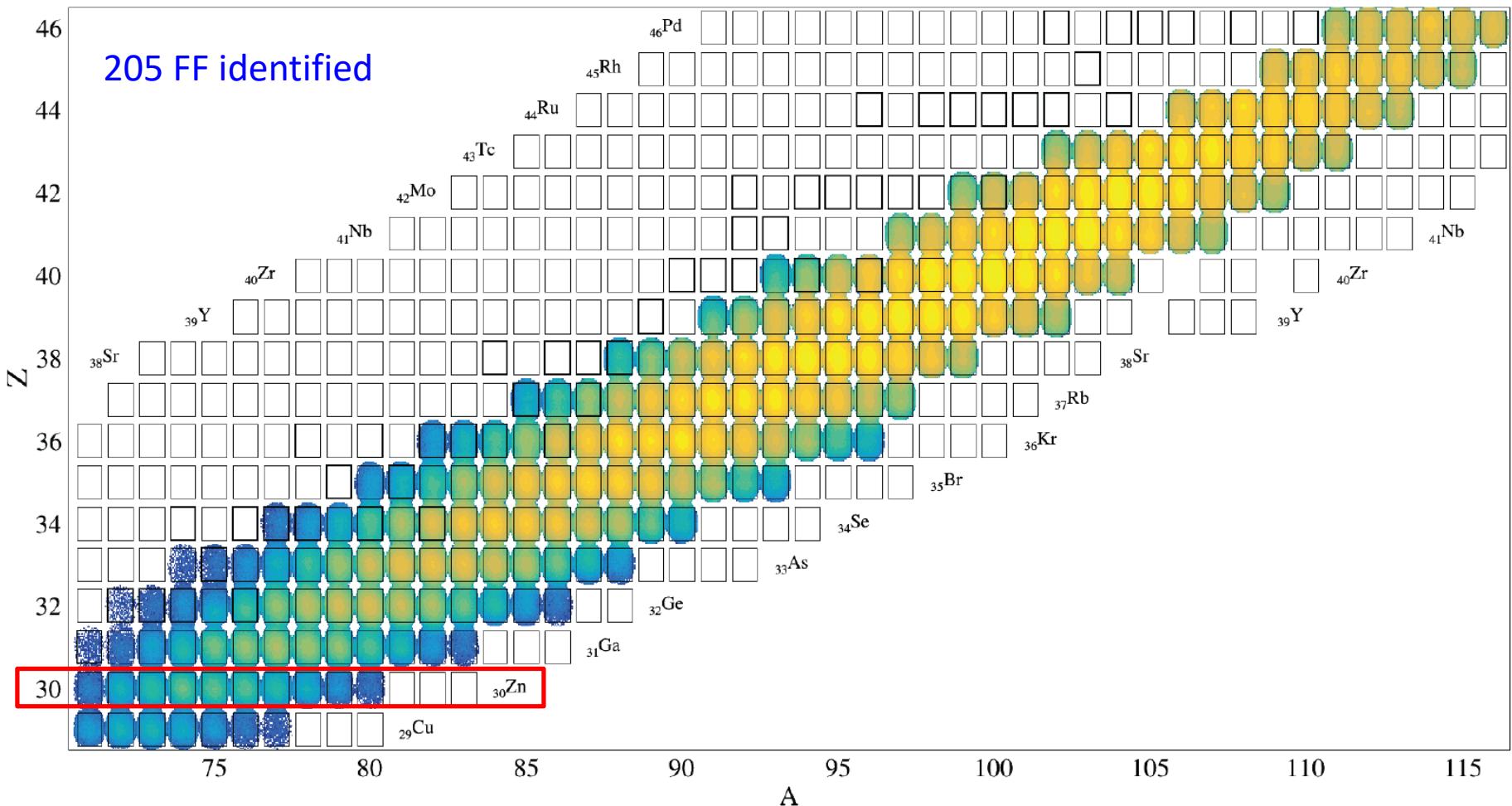
Final mass resolution $\Delta M/M \sim 0.6\%$



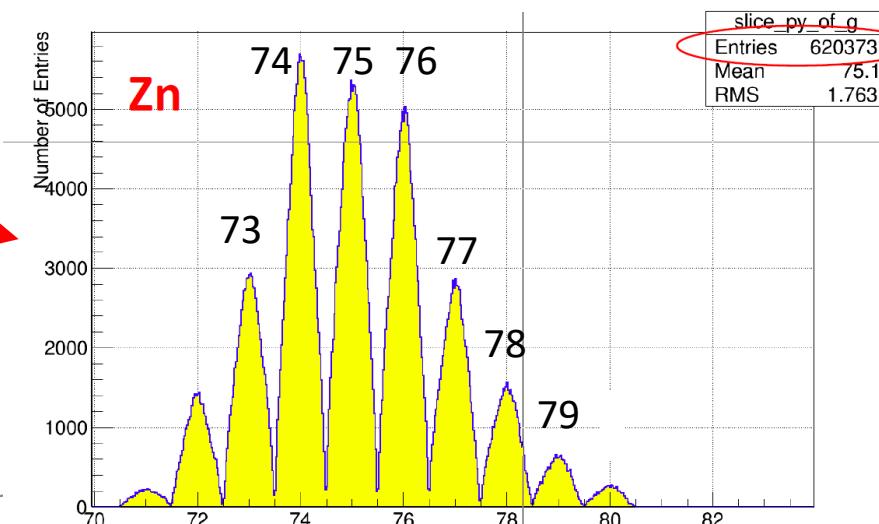
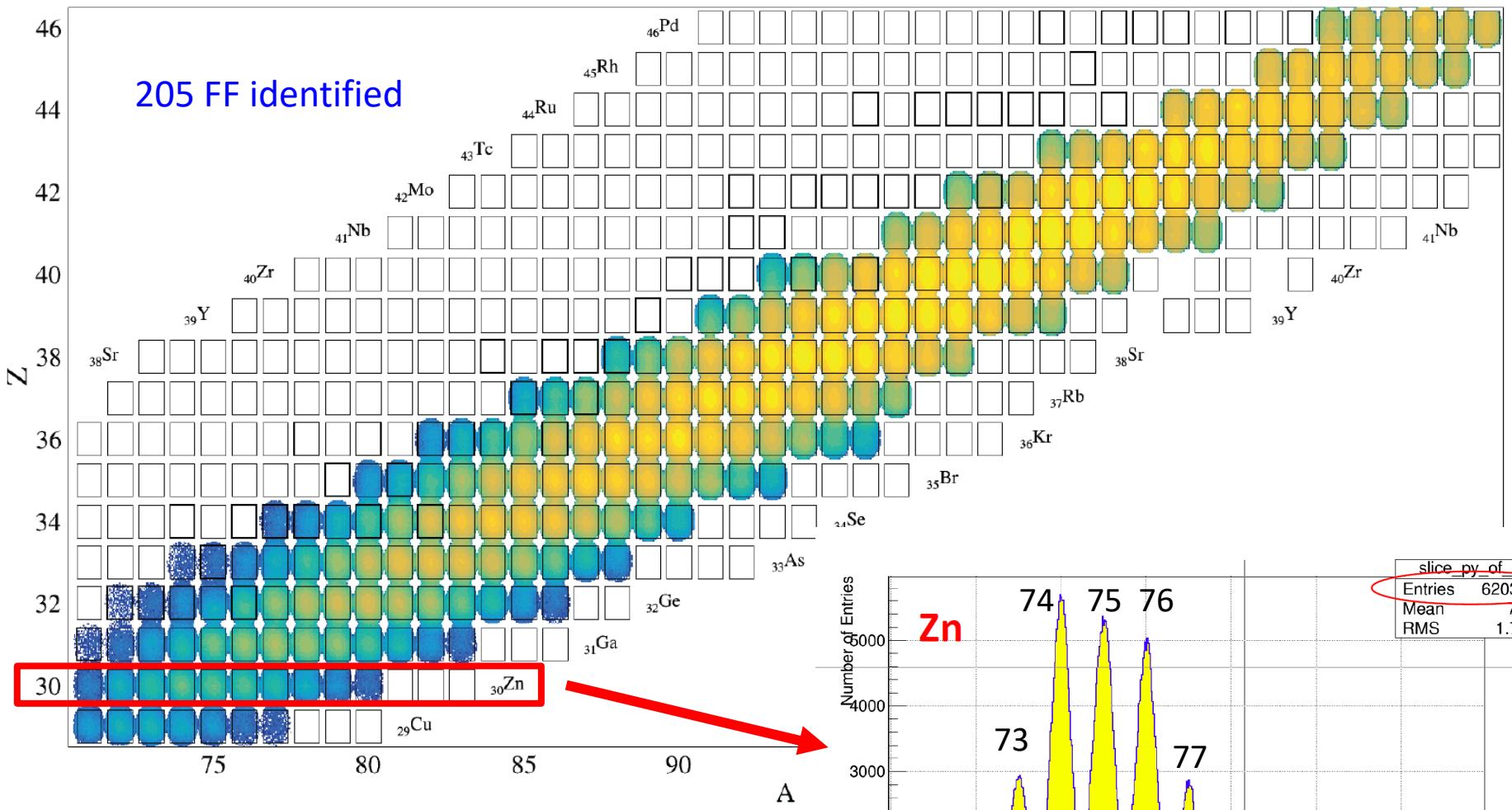
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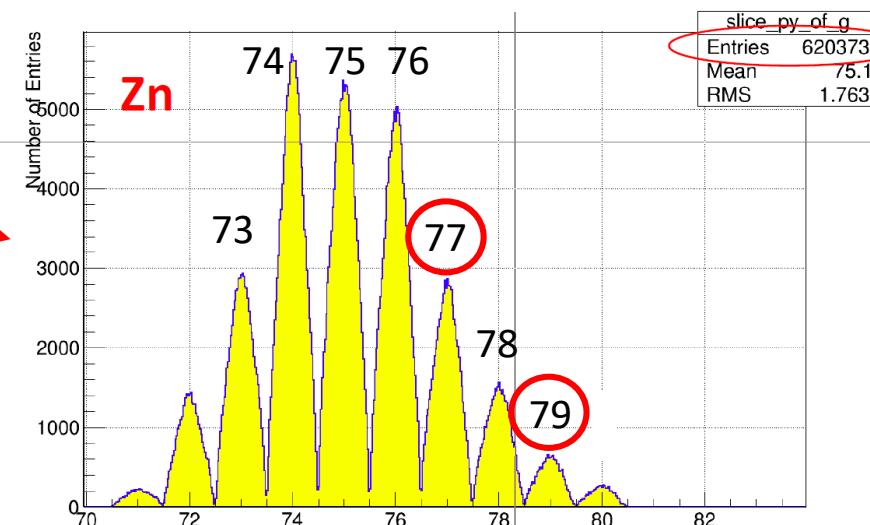
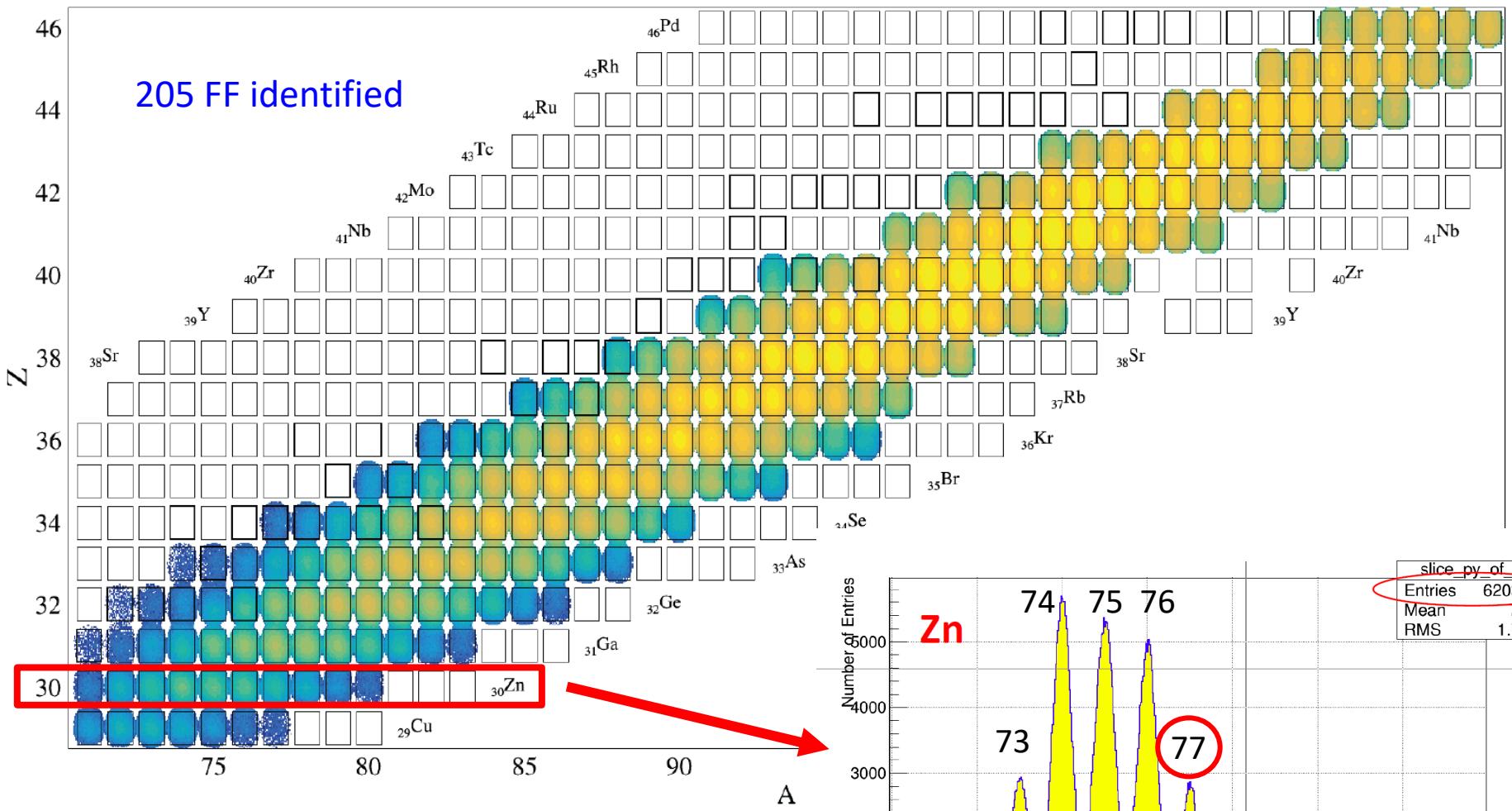
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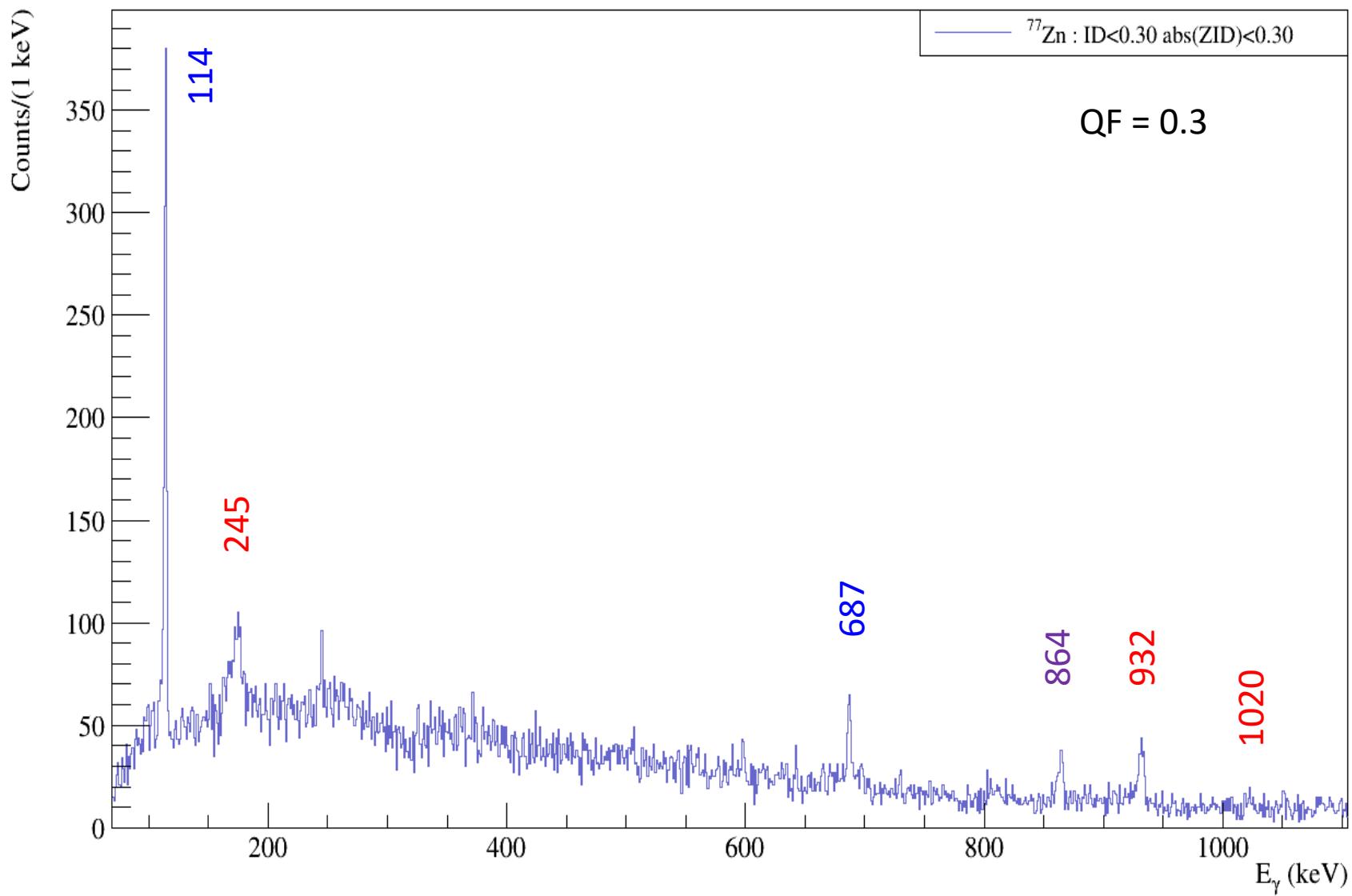


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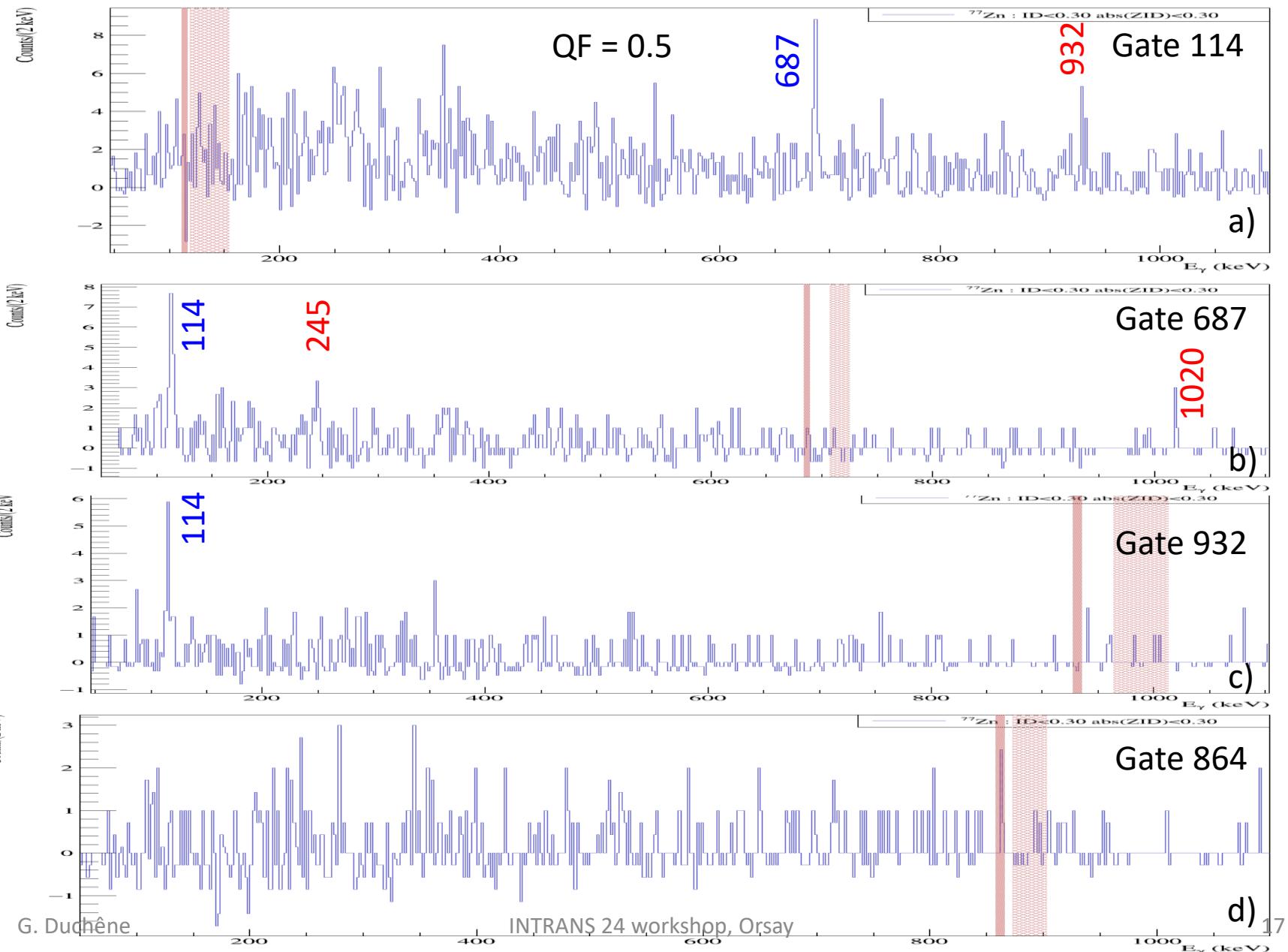


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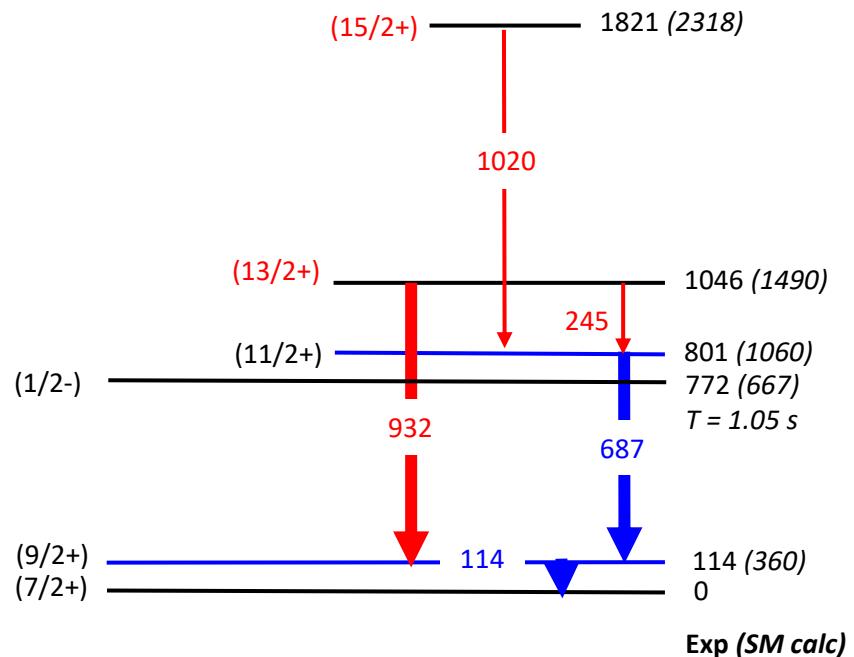


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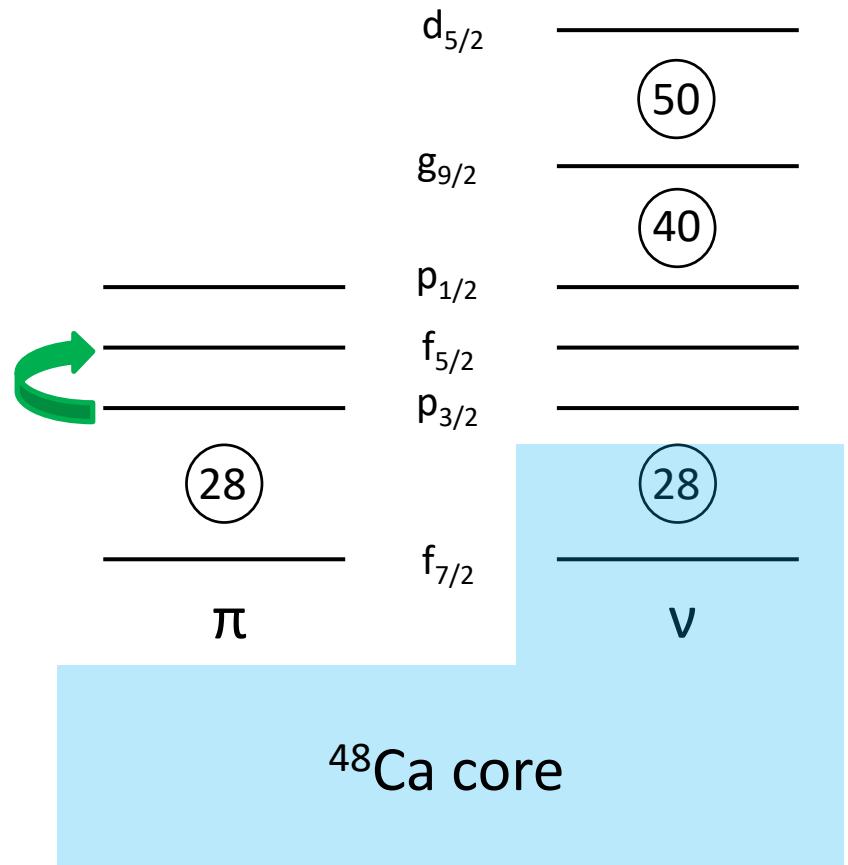
Shell-model calculations LNPS-U interaction
(F. Nowacki)

^{48}Ca core

Valence space: π full pf and v $p_{3/2}f_{5/2}p_{1/2}d_{5/2}g_{9/2}$
 $11p - 11h$ excitations

$7/2^+$ and $9/2^+$ dominated $\pi(f_{5/2})^2 v(g_{9/2})^7$
 $15/2^+$ dominated $\pi(p_{3/2}f_{5/2}) v(g_{9/2})^7$

$\pi=+$ states are driven by π excitations



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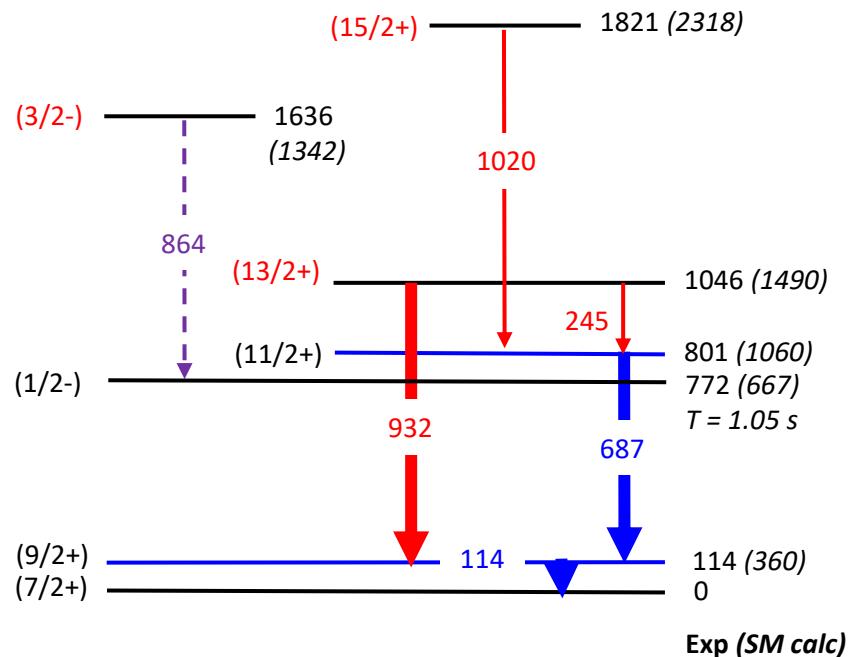
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No coincident gamma-ray with the 864 keV.

No corresponding SM prediction for direct decay to g.s.

So 864 keV may feed directly the $\frac{1}{2}^-$ isomeric (1.05 s) state which lies at 772 keV

The transition decays a π^- state



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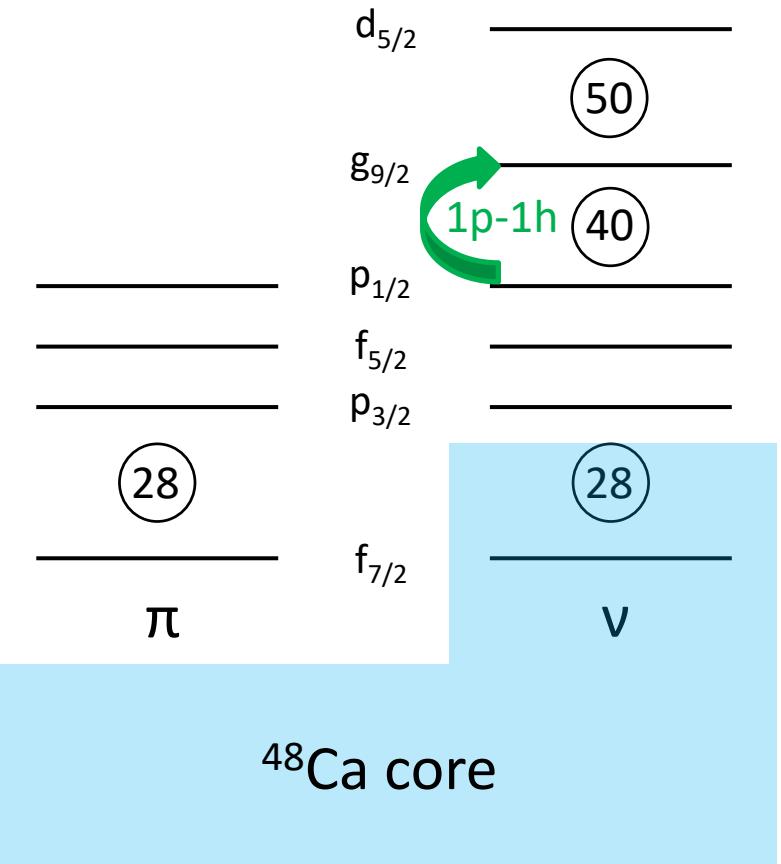
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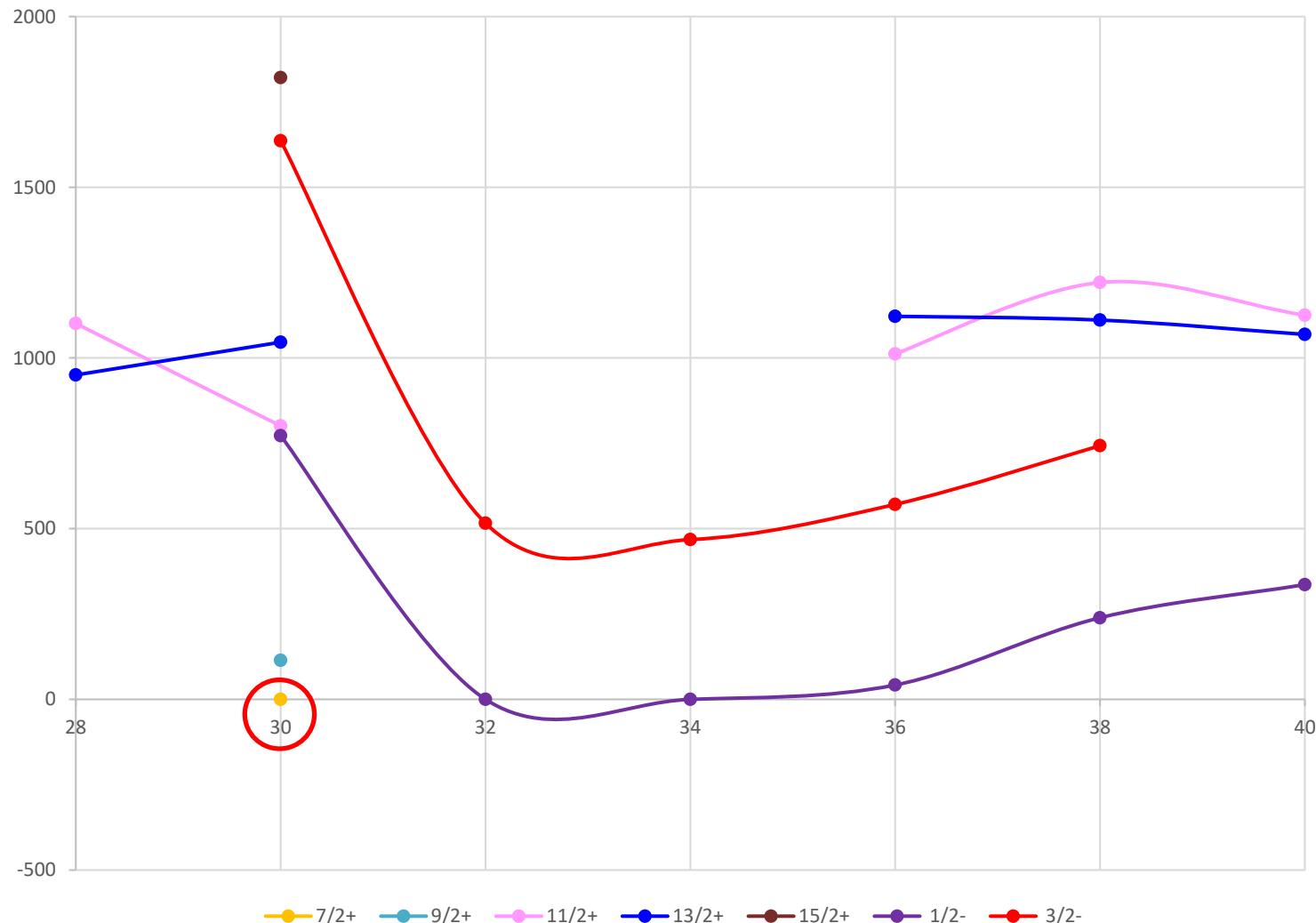
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$\pi = -$ states are dominated $\nu(p_{1/2})^{-1}(g_{9/2})^8$
excitation across the $N=40$ gap



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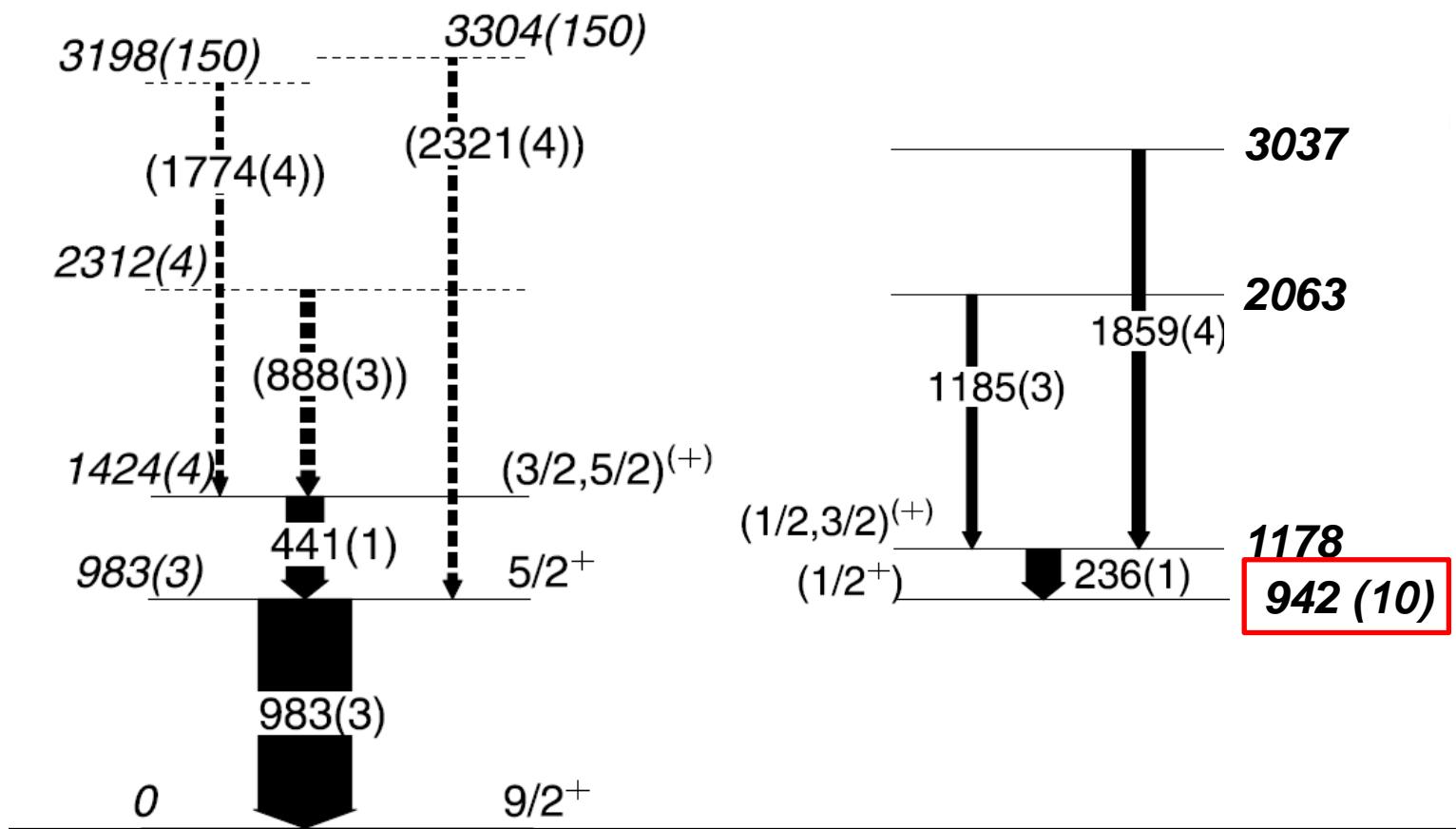
Evolution along the N=47 isotonic chain

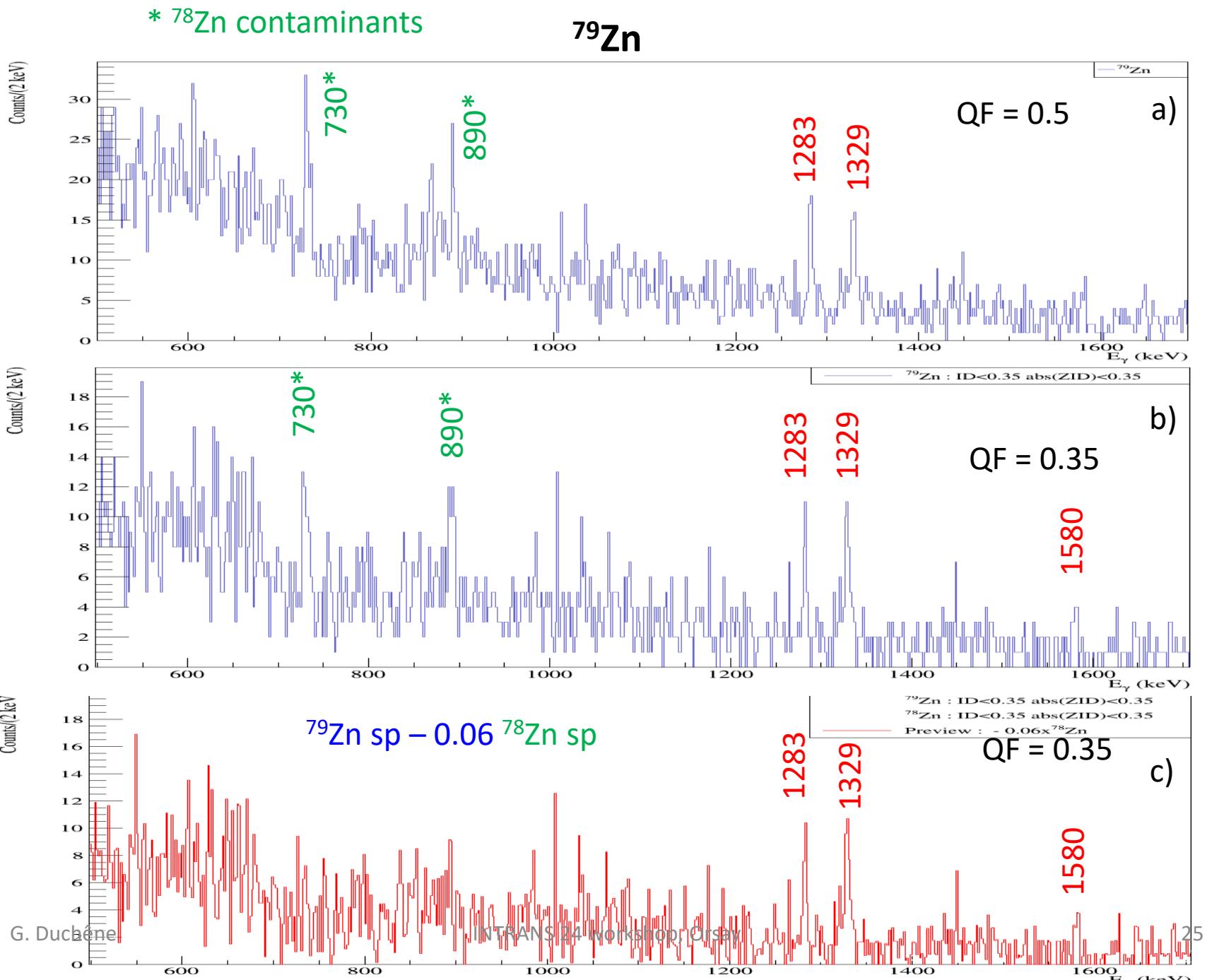


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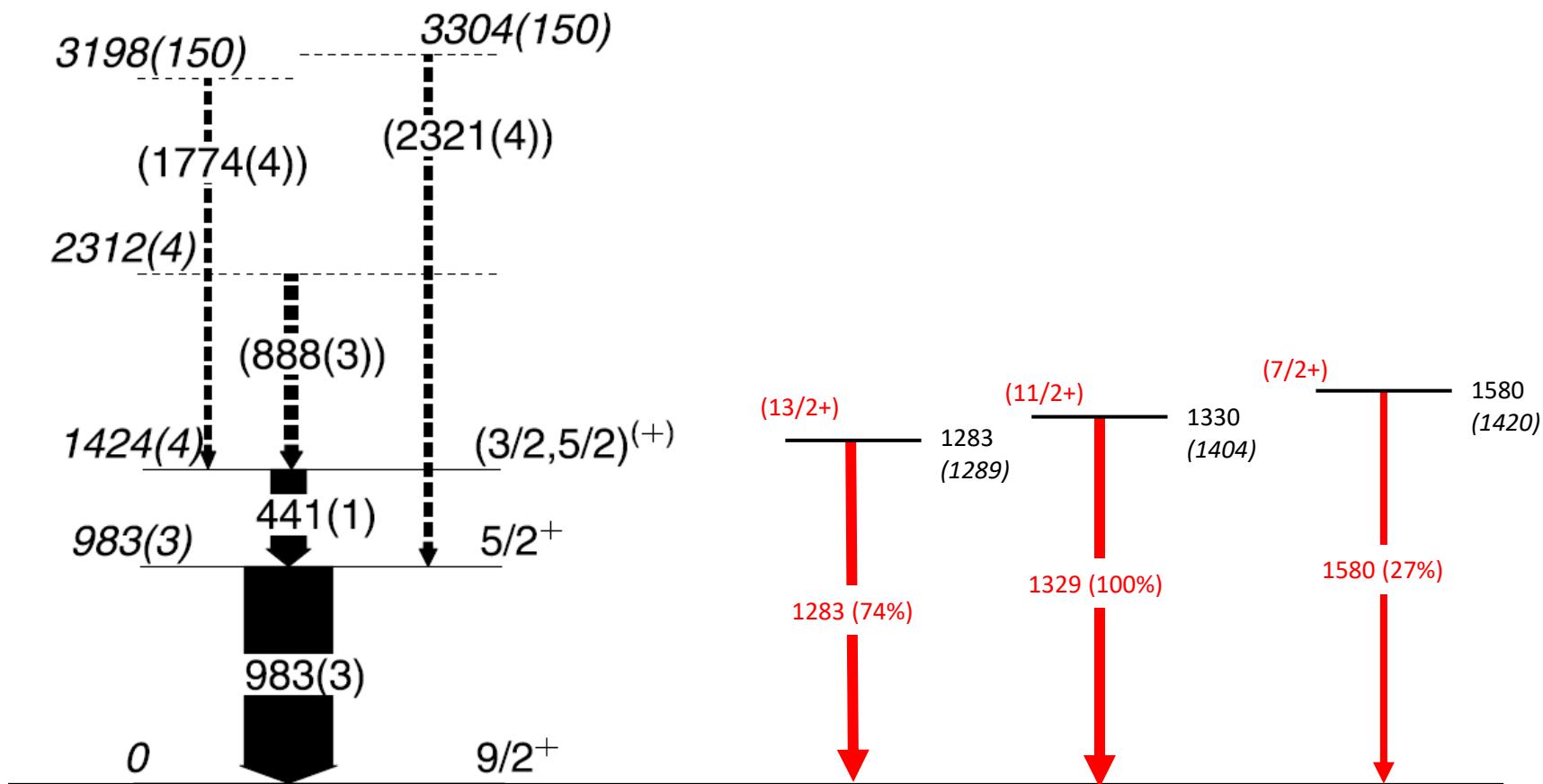
Known level scheme from
 Orlandi et al., Phys Lett B740, 298 (2015)
 and Nies et al., Phys Rev Lett 131, 222503 (2023)





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Shell-model calculations PFSDG interaction

^{60}Ca core

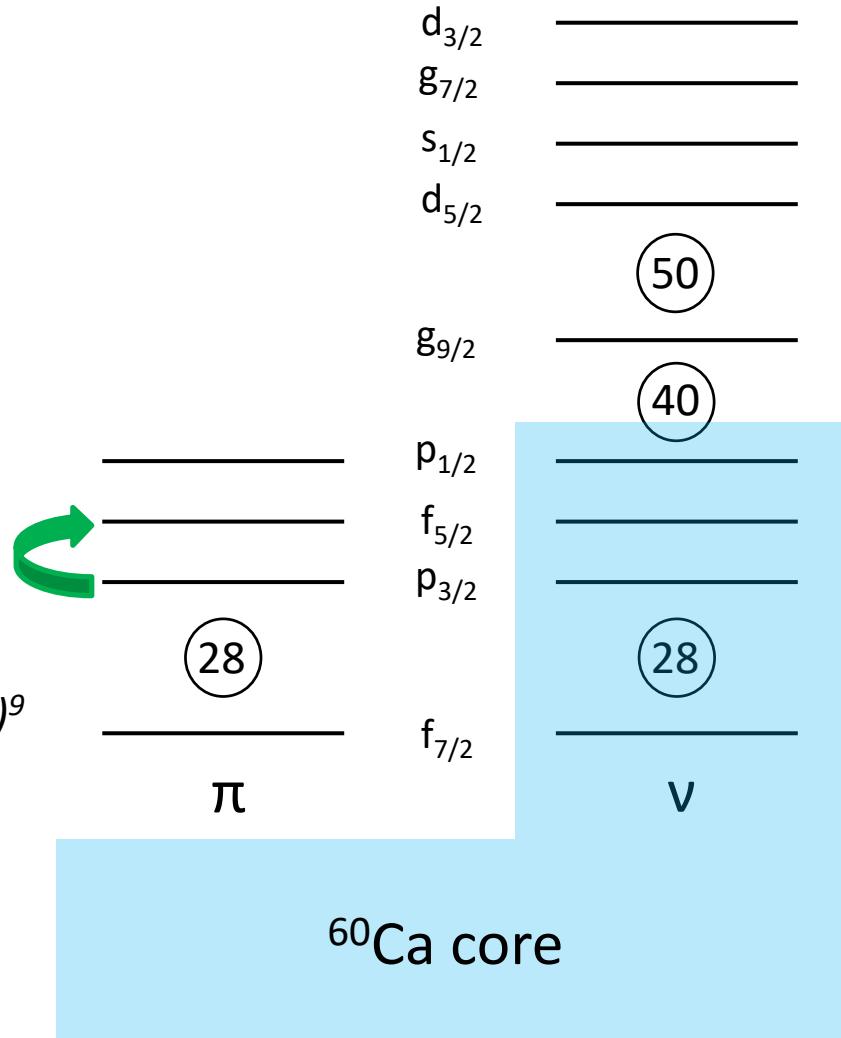
Valence space: π full pf and v full sdg

$6p - 6h$ excitations

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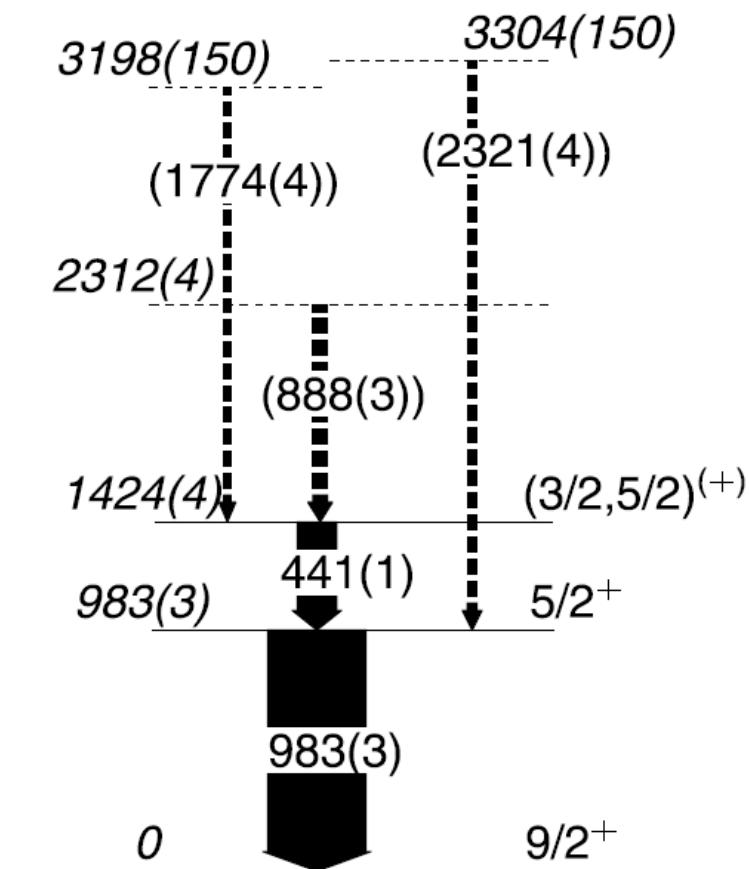
$11/2^+$ and $13/2^+$ dominated $\pi(p_{3/2}f_{5/2}p_{1/2}) v(g_{9/2})^9$

$\pi=+$ states are driven by π excitations into the pf shell



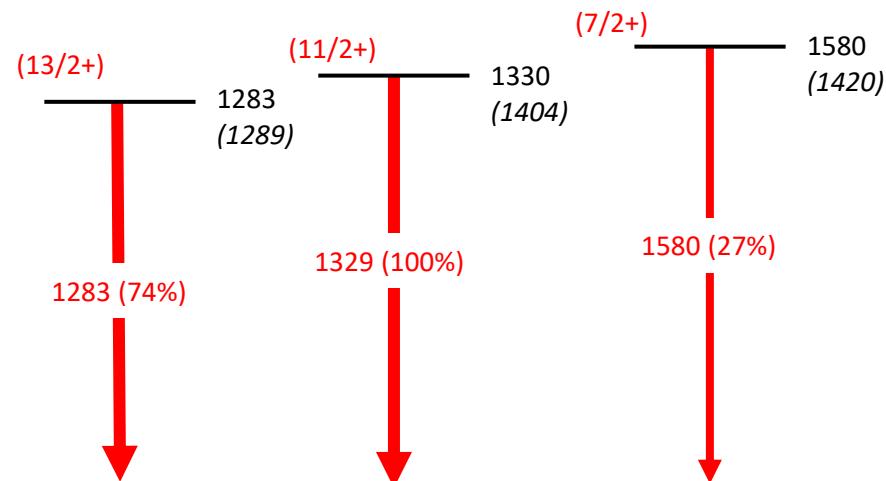
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States with very similar configurations

$v(g_{9/2})^{-1} \otimes 2^+ ({}^{80}\text{Zn})$ vibrational coupling
 Generates a 9 states multiplet $1/2^+$ to $17/2^+$



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In $^{77,79}\text{Zn}$, single –particle excitations dominate the low-lying spectra

No xp – xh excitations across gaps leading to deformed structures could be evidenced which confirms Rocchini's expectations and draws the upper border of the island of inversion to N<47 in Zn isotopes

Perspectives

Complete the theoretical analysis for A=73, 75

Develop an isotopic systematic

...and publish!!!

Analyse the Nu-Ball 2 data for Zn and Ga isotopes

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