

# IBA

Assume valence fermions couple in pairs to bosons of spins  
 $0^+$  and  $2^+$

$0^+$	$s$ -boson
$2^+$	$d$ -boson

- Valence nucleons only
- $s$ ,  $d$  bosons – creation and destruction operators

$$H = H_s + H_d + H_{\text{interactions}}$$

$$\text{Number of bosons fixed: } N = n_s + n_d$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \# \text{ of val. protons} + \frac{1}{2} \# \text{ val. neutrons}$$

# IBA Models

IBA – 1	No distinction of $p, n$
IBA – 2	Explicitly write $p, n$ parts
IBA – 3, 4	Take isospin into account $p$ - $n$ pairs
IBFM	Int. Bos. <u>Fermion</u> Model Odd $A$ nuclei $H = H_{e-e} + H_{s.p.} + H_{int}$ core
IBFFM	Odd – odd nuclei

[  $(f, \rho)$  bosons for  $\pi = -$  states spdf IBA ]

## Parameters

Different models have different numbers of parameters. Be careful in evaluating/comparing different models. Be alert for hidden parameters. Lots of parameters are not necessarily bad – they may be mandated by the data, but look at them with your eyes open.

# Background, References

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- Many articles in the literature

# IBA has a deep relation to Group theory

That relation is based on the operators that create, destroy  $s$  and  $d$  bosons

$s^\dagger, s, \underbrace{d^\dagger, d}$  operators

Ang. Mom. 2

$d^\dagger_\mu, d_\mu \quad \mu = 2, 1, 0, -1, -2$

Hamiltonian is written in terms of  $s, d$  operators

Since boson number is conserved for a given nucleus,  $H$  can only contain “bilinear” terms: 36 of them.

$s^\dagger s, s^\dagger d, d^\dagger s, d^\dagger d$



Gr. Theor.  
classification  
of  
Hamiltonian

Group is  
called  
**U(6)**

# OK, here's what you need to remember from the Group Theory

- Group Chain:

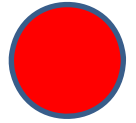
$$U(6) \supset U(5) \supset O(5) \supset O(3)$$

- A **dynamical symmetry** corresponds to a certain structure/shape of a nucleus and its characteristic excitations. The IBA has three dynamical symmetries: U(5), SU(3), and O(6).
- Each term in a group chain representing a dynamical symmetry gives the next level of **degeneracy breaking**.
- Each term introduces a new **quantum number** that describes what is different about the levels.
- These quantum numbers then appear in the expression for the energies, in selection rules for transitions, and in the magnitudes of transition rates.

OK, here's the key point :

# Concept of a Dynamical Symmetry

**Spectrum generating algebra !!**



# Group theory of the IBA

U(6) 36 generators conserve  $N$

U(5) 25 generators conserve  $n_d$

Suppose:

$$H = \alpha_1 C_{U(6)} + \alpha_2 C_{U(5)} \quad (1)$$

All states of a given nucleus have same  $N$ . So, if  $\alpha_2 = 0$ , *i.e.*,  $H = \alpha_1 C_{U(6)}$  only, then all states would be degenerate.

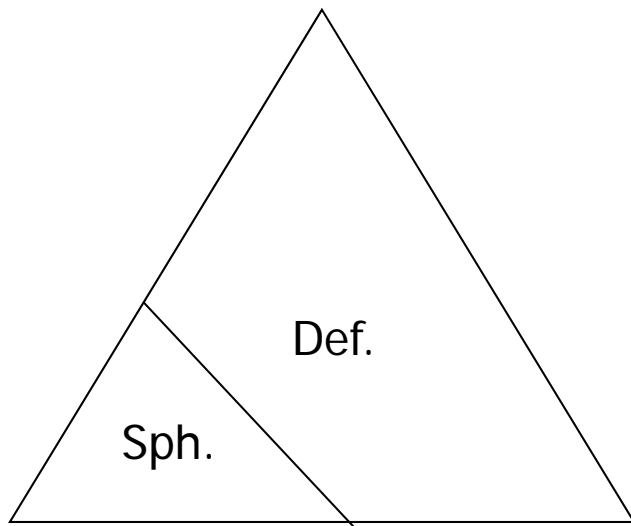
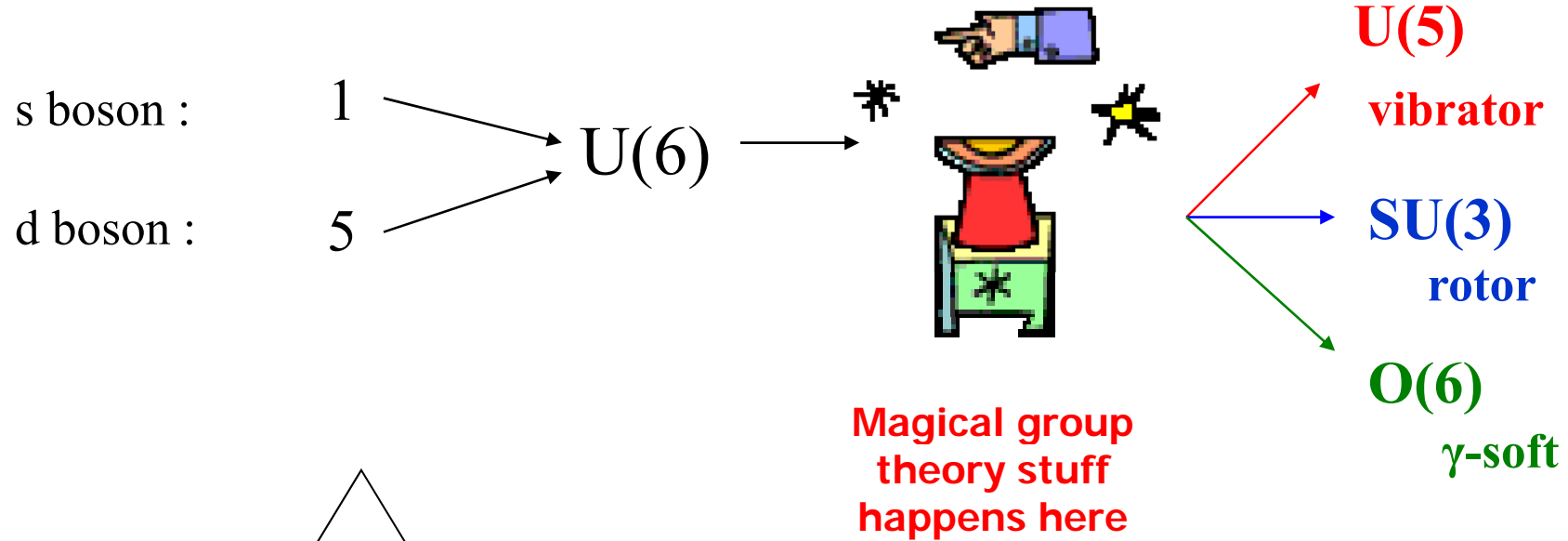
But these states have different  $n_d$ . Thus, if we consider the full eq. 1, then the degeneracy is broken because  $C_{U(5)}$  gives  $E = f(n_d)$ . In group notation

$$U(6) \curvearrowright U(5) \curvearrowright \dots$$

Dyn. Symm.
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Recall:  $O(3) \curvearrowright O(2)$

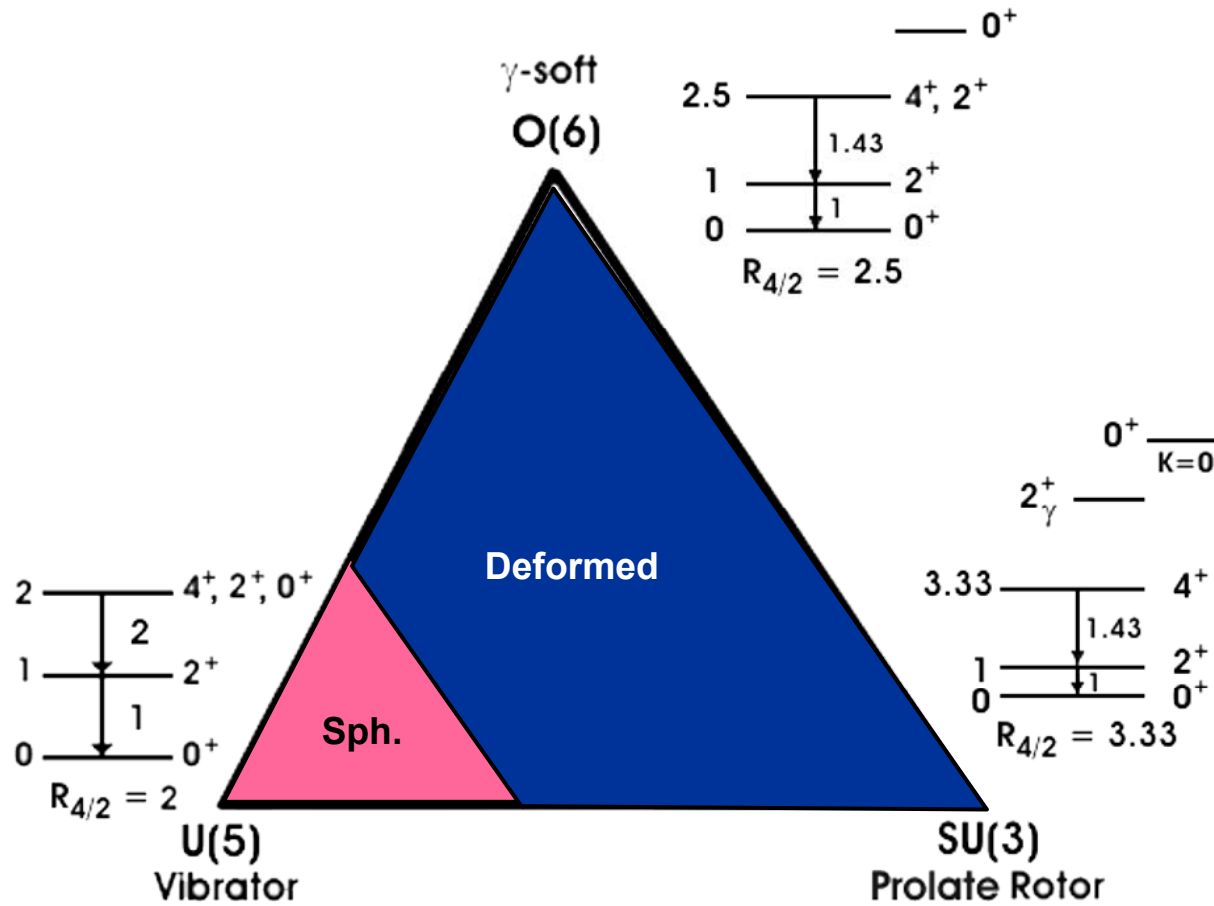
# Group Structure of the IBA



Symmetry Triangle  
of the IBA



# Classifying Structure -- The Symmetry Triangle



**Most nuclei do not exhibit the idealized symmetries but rather lie in transitional regions. Mapping the triangle.**

# IBA Hamiltonian

Counts the number of d bosons out of N bosons, total. Gives terms in the Hamiltonian where the energies of configurations of 2 c bosons depend on their total combined angular momentum. Allows for anharmonicities in the phonon multiplets.

+  
d d

Excitation energies depend ONLY on the number of d-bosons.  $E(0) = 0, E(1) = \varepsilon, E(2) = 2\varepsilon$ .

$$H = \varepsilon_d n_d$$

Mixes d and s components of the wave functions

Most general IBA Hamiltonian in terms with up to four boson operators (given N)

$U(5)$

Spherical, vibrational nuclei

# Simplest Possible IBA Hamiltonian – given by energies of the bosons with NO interactions

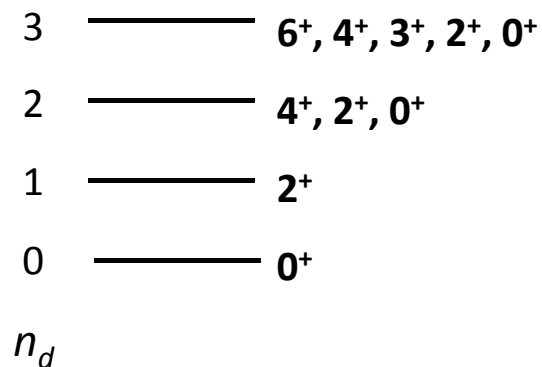
$$H = \varepsilon_d n_d + \varepsilon_s n_s = \text{E of } d \text{ bosons} + \text{E of } s \text{ bosons}$$

$$= \varepsilon_d \left( d^\dagger d \right) + \varepsilon_s s^\dagger s$$

Excitation energies so, set  $\varepsilon_s = 0$ , and drop subscript  $d$  on  $\varepsilon_d$

$$H = \varepsilon n_d$$

What is spectrum? Equally spaced levels defined by number of  $d$  bosons



What  $J$ 's? M-scheme

**Look familiar? Same as  
quadrupole vibrator.**

**U(5) also includes anharmonic  
spectra**

# *E2* Transitions in the IBA

Key to most tests

Very sensitive to structure

*E2* Operator: Creates or destroys an *s* or *d* boson or recouples two *d* bosons.  
Must conserve *N*

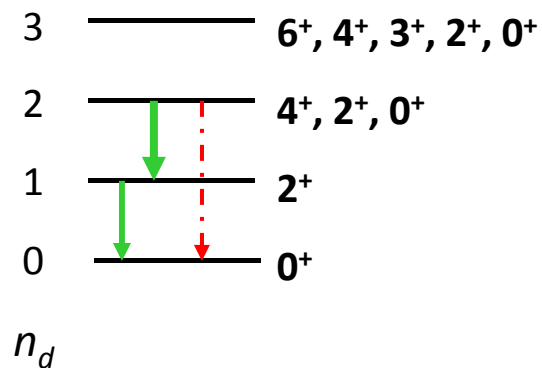
$$\mathbf{T} = e \mathbf{Q} = e[s^\dagger \tilde{\mathbf{d}} + \mathbf{d}^\dagger s + \chi (\mathbf{d}^\dagger \tilde{\mathbf{d}})^{(2)}]$$



Specifies relative strength of this term

# E2 transitions in U(5)

- $\chi = 0$
- That is:  $T = e[s\tilde{t}d + d^\dagger s]$
- Why? So that it can create or destroy a single d boson, that is, a single phonon.



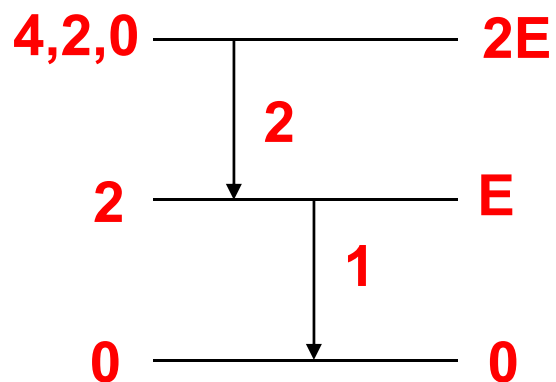
# Creation and destruction operators as *“Ignorance operators”*

**Example: Consider the case we have just discussed – the spherical vibrator.**

**Why is the  $B(E2: 4 - 2) = 2 \times B(E2: 2 - 0)$  ??**

**Difficult to see with Shell Model wave functions with 1000's of components**

**However, as we have seen, it is trivial using destruction operators **WITHOUT EVER KNOWING ANYTHING ABOUT THE DETAILED STRUCTURE OF THESE VIBRATIONS !!!!** These operators give the relationships between states.**

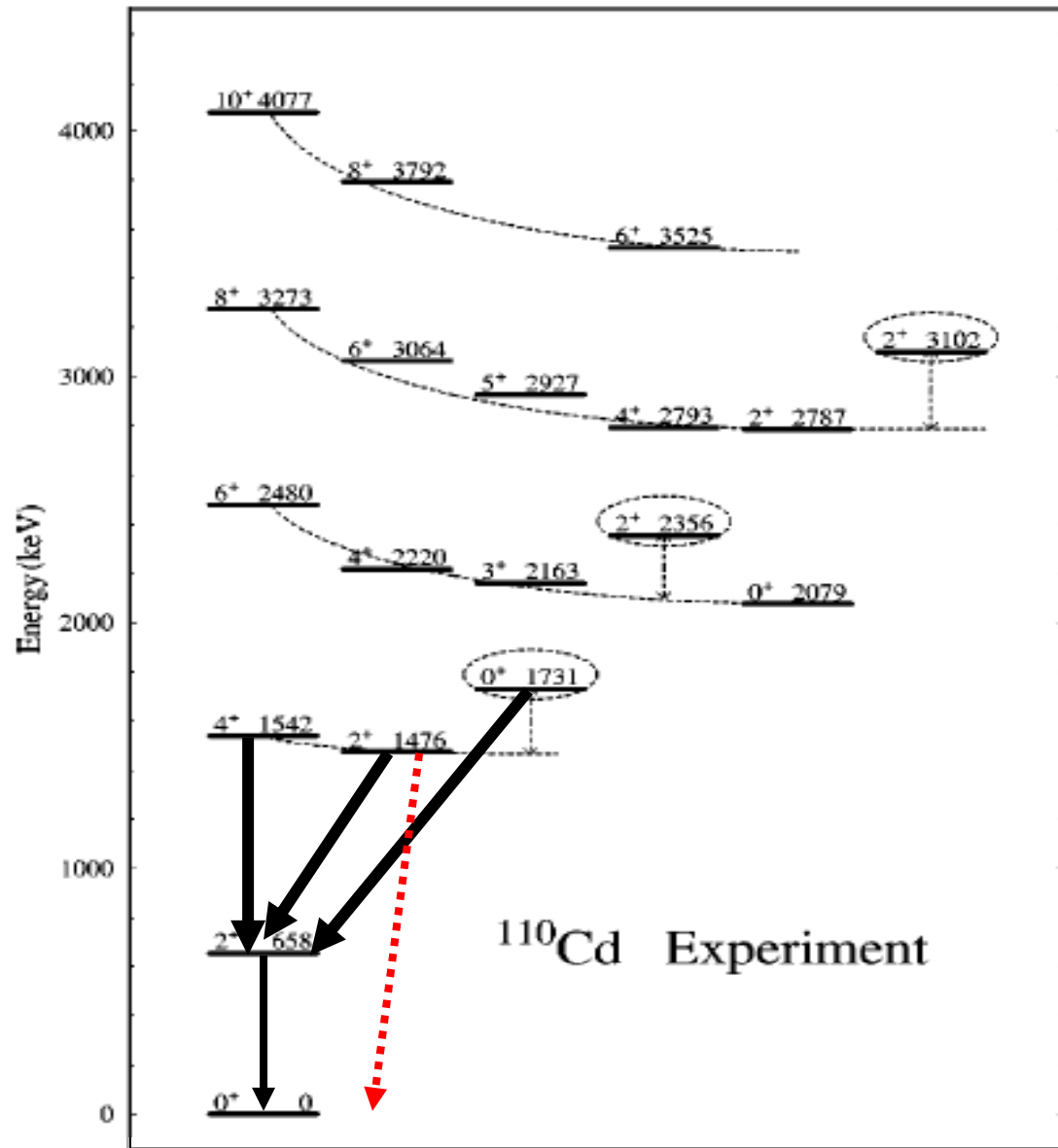


# Vibrator

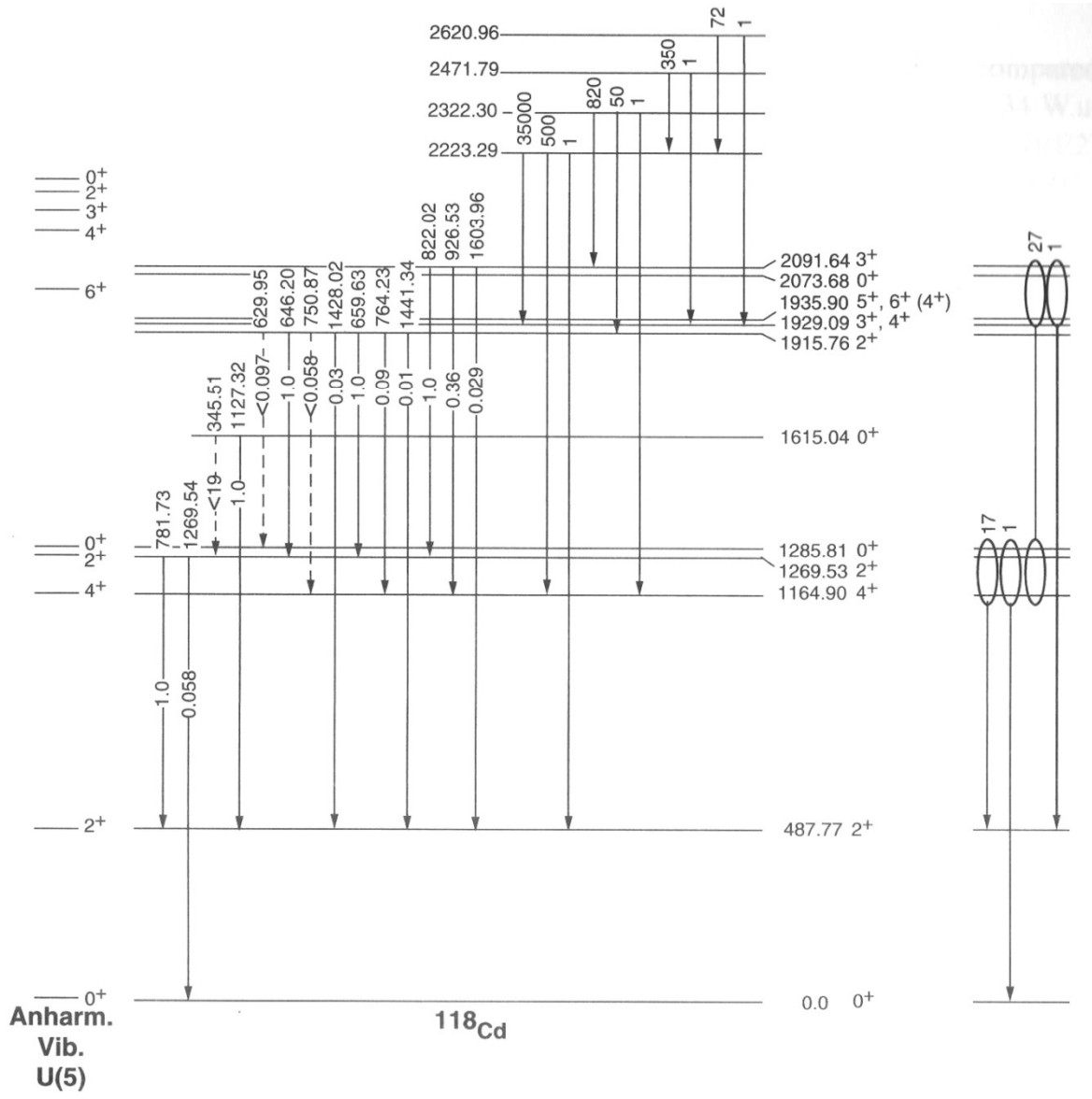
## Vibrator (H.O.)

$$E(I) = n (\hbar \omega_0)$$

$$R_{4/2} = 2.0$$







# Deformed nuclei

Use the same Hamiltonian but re-write it in more convenient and physically intuitive form

# IBA Hamiltonian

$$H = \varepsilon' n_d + \frac{1}{2} \sum_J c_J (d^\dagger d^\dagger)^{(J)} \cdot (d d)^{(J)} + \frac{v_2}{\sqrt{10}} [(d^\dagger d^\dagger)^{(2)} \cdot \tilde{d} s + H.c.] + \frac{v_0}{\sqrt{5}} (d^{\dagger 2} s^2 + H.c.)$$

Complicated and, for many calculations, not really necessary to use all these terms and all 6 parameters

Truncated form with just two parameters – RE-GROUP and keep some of the terms above.

$$H = \varepsilon n_d - \kappa Q \cdot Q \quad Q = e[s^\dagger \tilde{d} + d^\dagger s + \chi (d^\dagger \tilde{d})^{(2)}]$$

Competition:

$$\varepsilon n_d$$

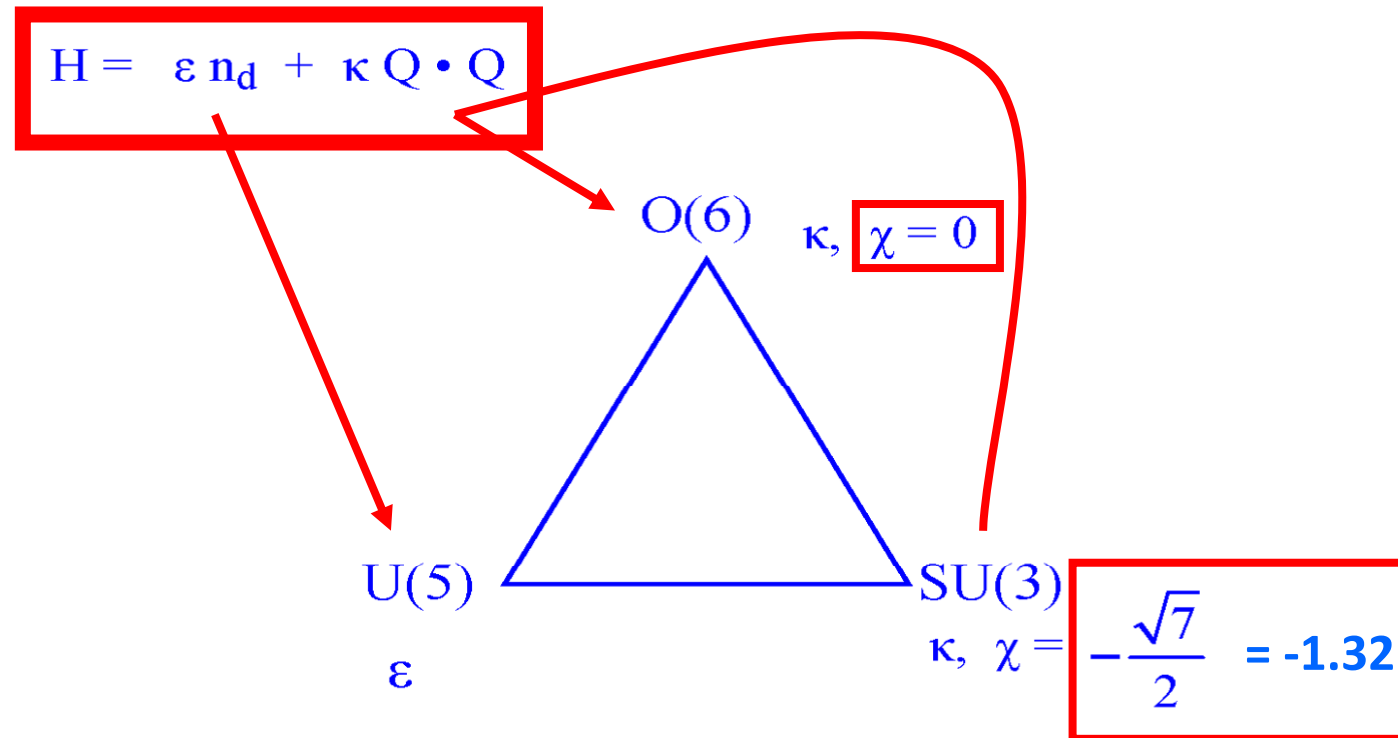
term gives vibrator.

$$\kappa Q \cdot Q$$

term gives deformed nuclei.

More complicated forms exist but this is the form we will use. It works extremely well in most cases.

# Relation of IBA Hamiltonian to Group Structure



We will see later that this same Hamiltonian allows us to calculate the properties of a nucleus **ANYWHERE** in the triangle simply by choosing appropriate values of the parameters

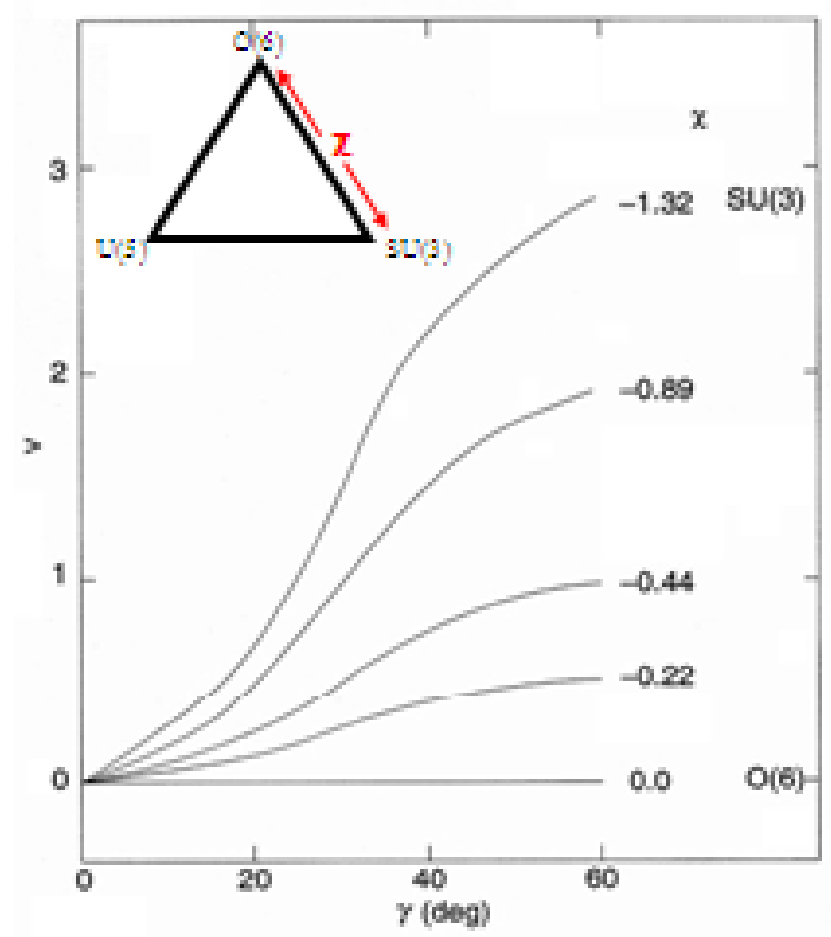
What is the physical meaning of  $\chi$

Only minimum is at  $\gamma = 0^\circ$

All  $\gamma$  excursions due to dynamical fluctuations in  $\gamma$  ( $\gamma$ -softness), not to rigid asymmetric shapes. This is confirmed experimentally !!!

$$V(\gamma) \text{ vs. } \chi$$

$$H = -\kappa \underline{Q} \cdot \underline{Q}$$



If you think about zero point motion in a potential like this, it is clear that  $\langle \gamma \rangle$  depends on  $\chi$ . For a flat potential the nucleus oscillates back and forth from 0 to 60 degrees so  $\langle \gamma \rangle = 30$  deg. For SU(3),  $\langle \gamma \rangle$  will be small – nucleus is axially symmetric.

In a region of increasing  $\gamma$  softness, can simulate simply by decreasing  $|\chi|$  towards zero

# SU(3)

Deformed nuclei

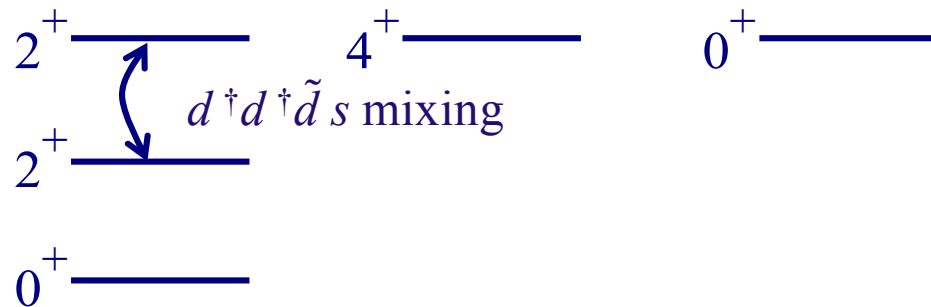
**Wave functions in SU(3): Consider non-diagonal effects of the QQ term in H on  $n_d$  components in the wave functions**

**Q operator:**  $Q = (s^\dagger d + d^\dagger s) + \frac{\sqrt{7}}{2} (d^\dagger d)^{(2)}$

**QQ =**  $[\{ (s^\dagger d + d^\dagger s) + \chi (d^\dagger d)^{(2)} \} \times \{ (s^\dagger d + d^\dagger s) + \frac{\sqrt{7}}{2} (d^\dagger d)^{(2)} \}]$

**~**  $s^\dagger d s^\dagger d + s^\dagger d d^\dagger s + s^\dagger d d^\dagger d \dots$

**$\Delta n_d =$**   $-2 \quad 0 \quad -1 \quad \dots \quad 2, 0, 1$



**Any calculation deviating from U(5) gives wave functions where  $n_d$  is no longer a good quantum number. If the wave function is expressed in a U(5) – vibrator – basis, then it contains a mixture of terms.**

**Understanding these admixtures is crucial to understanding IBA calculations**

# SU(3) Rotor

(specific kind)

Need Quad interaction

$$H = -\kappa Q \cdot Q$$

States of SU(3) are labeled by 3 q. #'s:  $\lambda, \mu, J$

$$\text{SU(3): U(6) } \leftrightarrow \text{SU(3) } \leftrightarrow \text{O(3)}$$

$$N \quad (\lambda, \mu) \quad J \quad M$$

Major families of levels labeled by  $(\lambda, \mu)$

States within families labeled by J "K"

$$\lambda: 2N, 2N - X, \dots \quad \lambda_{\max} = 2N$$

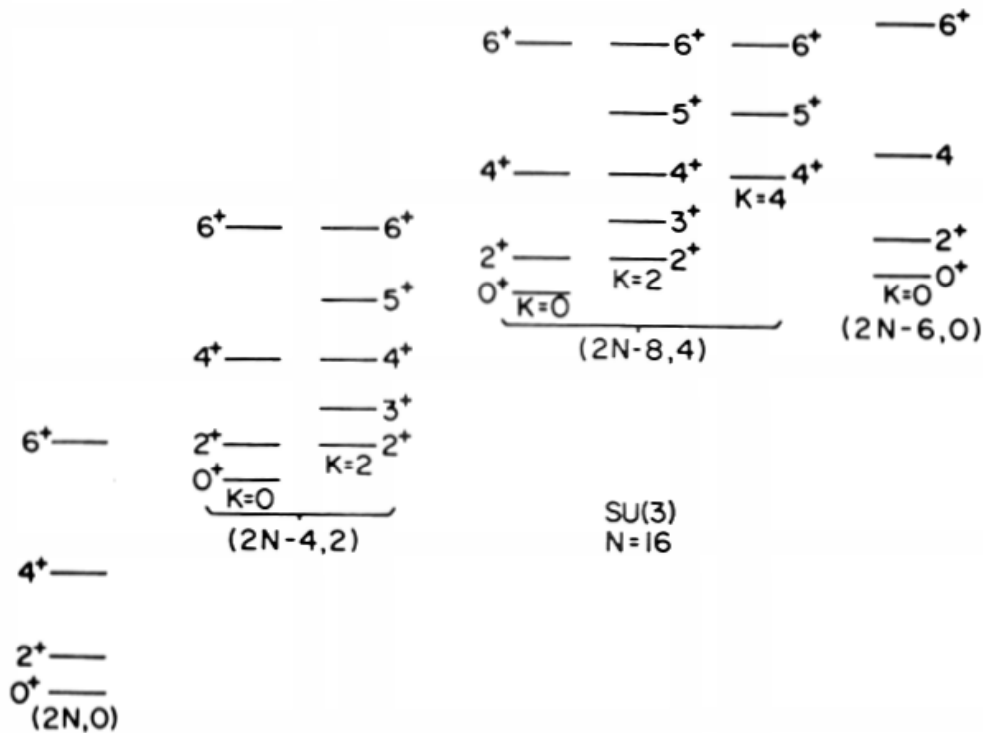
$$\mu: 0, 2, 4, \dots \quad \mu_{\min} = 0$$

$$\mu_{\max} = \lambda$$

$\mu$  even only



# Typical SU(3) Scheme



## Characteristic signatures:

- Degenerate bands within a group
- Vanishing  $B(E2)$  values between groups
- Allowed transitions between bands within a group

Where?  $N \sim 104$ , Yb, Hf

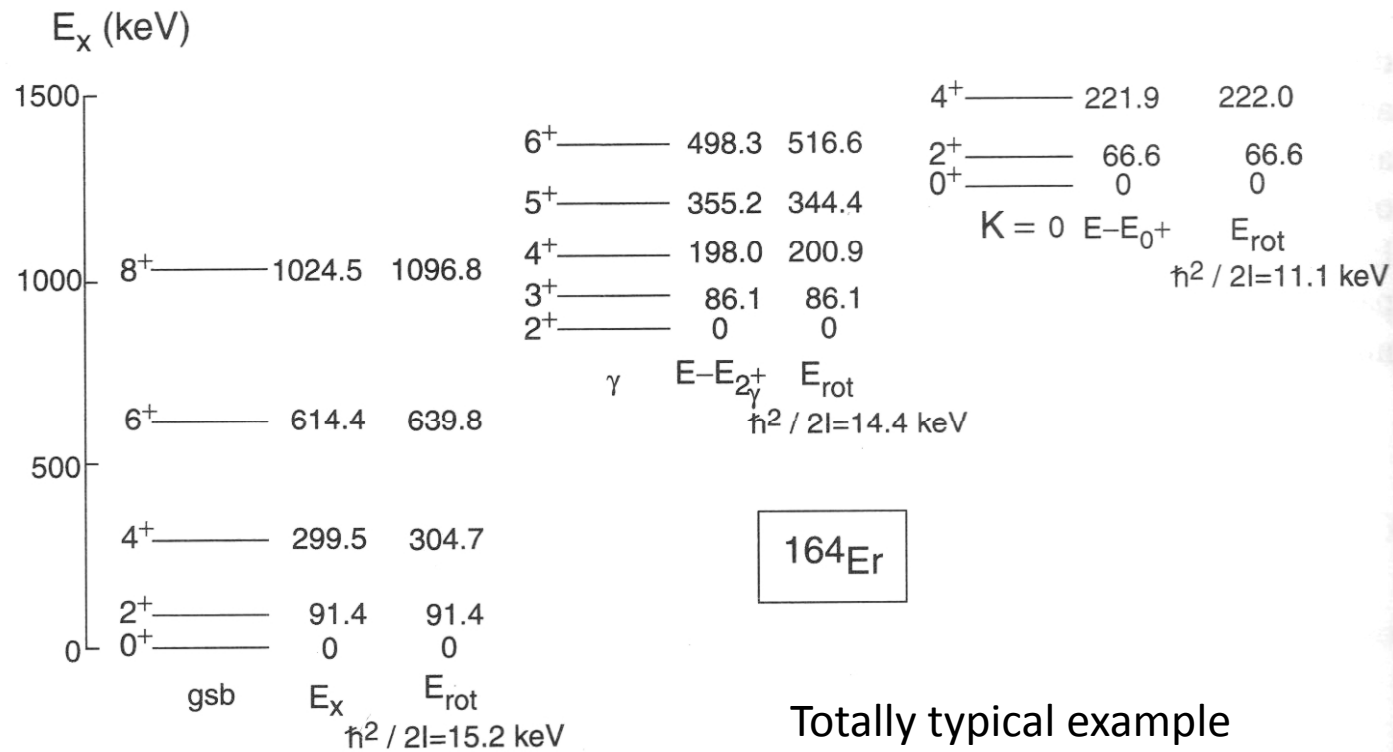
$$E(\lambda, \mu, J) = A[\lambda^2 + \mu^2 + \lambda\mu + 3(\lambda + \mu)] + BJ(J + 1)$$

SU(3)



O(3)

$K$  bands in  $(\bullet, \circ)$ :  $K = 0, 2, 4, \dots, \circ$



**Similar in many ways to SU(3).**

**But note that the two excited excitations are not degenerate as they should be in SU(3). While SU(3) describes an axially symmetric rotor, not all rotors are described by SU(3) – see later discussion**

$O(6)$

Axially asymmetric nuclei  
(gamma-soft)

## **O(6)                    $\gamma$ -soft Rotor**

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \text{U}(6) \supset \text{O}(6) \supset \text{O}(5) \supset \text{O}(3) \\ \text{N} \qquad \qquad \sigma \qquad \tau, \nu \qquad \text{J} \end{array}$$

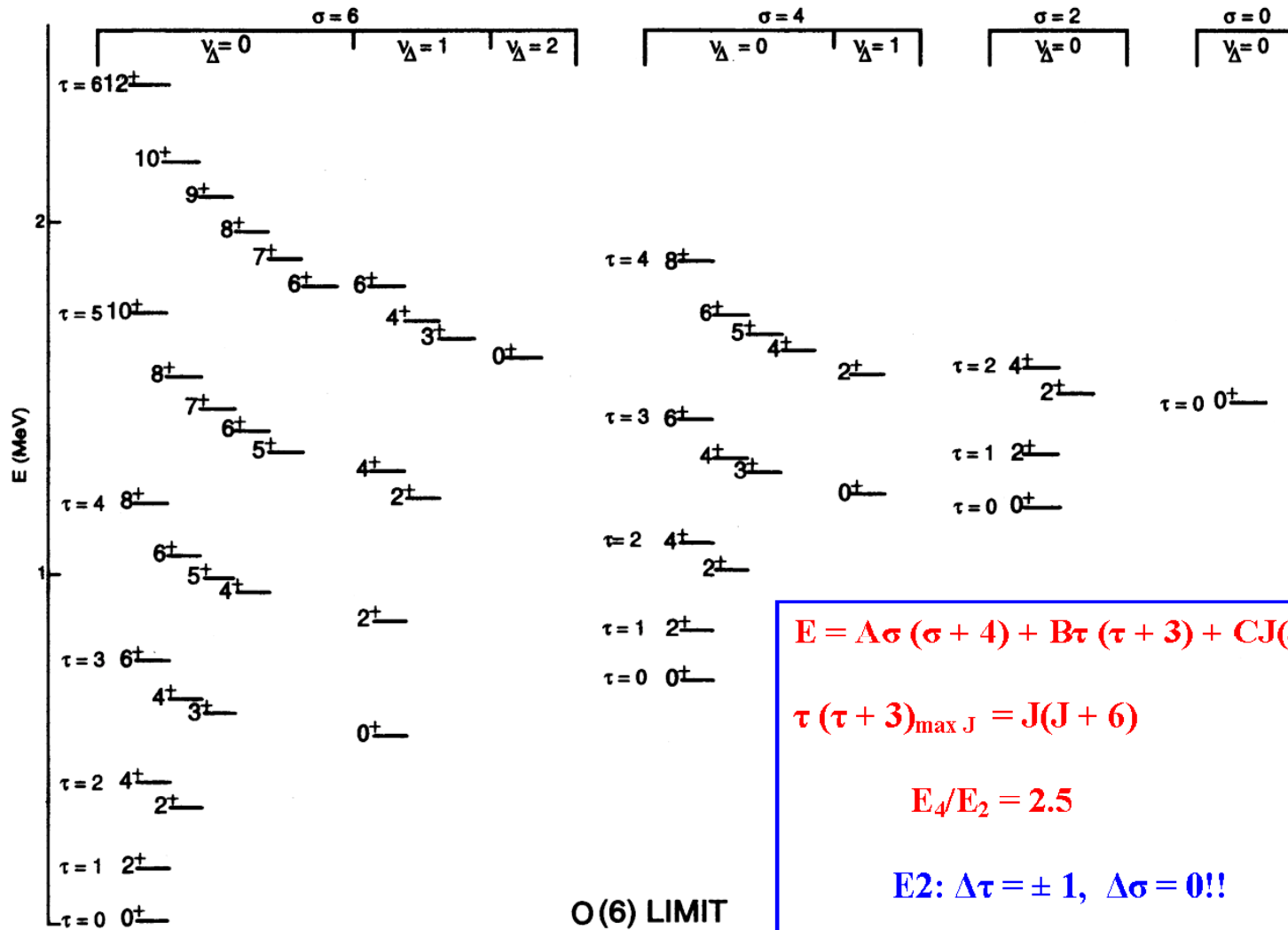
$$E(J) = A \underbrace{\sigma(\sigma + 4)}_{\text{major families}} + B \tau(\tau + 3) + C J(J + 1)$$

“phonons” J

When proposed (1977-78) this was a new symmetry, not recognized experimentally, that was predicted by the IBA

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# O(6) Symmetry



# Transition Rates

$$T(E2) = e_B Q$$

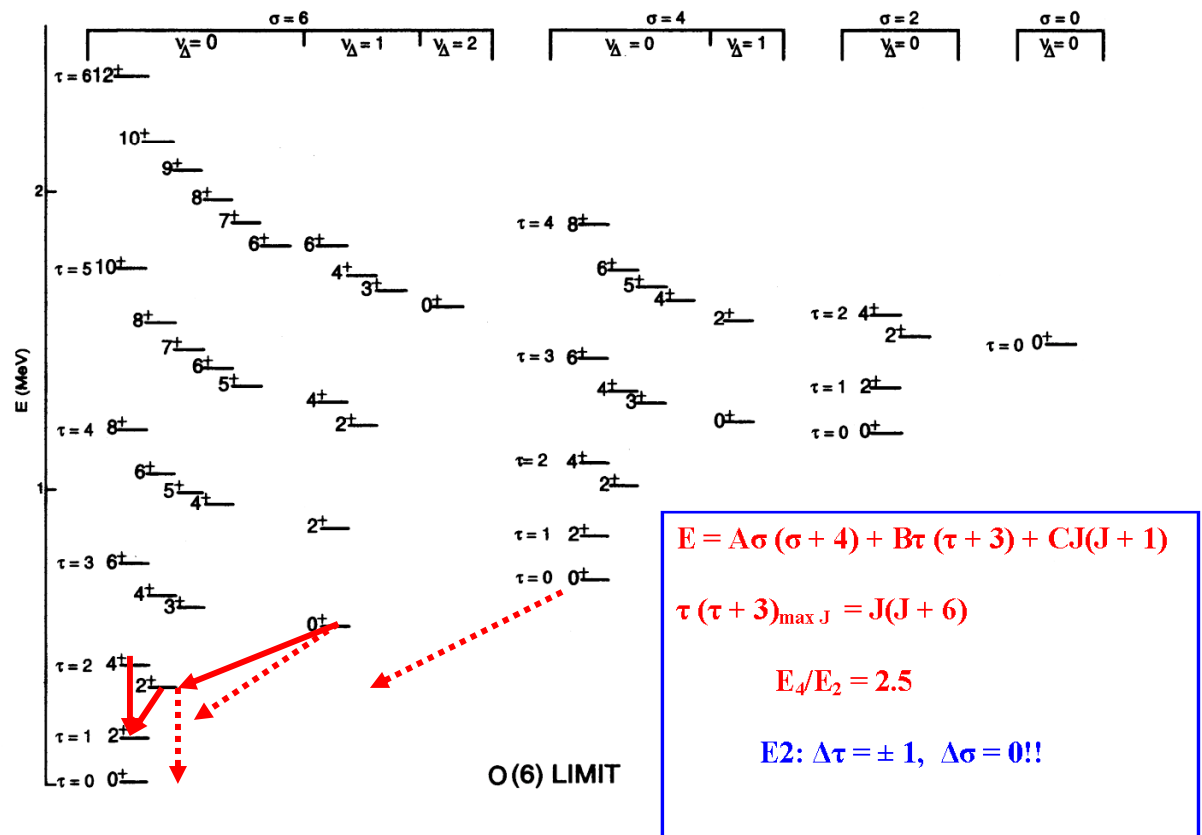
$$Q = (s^\dagger \tilde{d} + d^\dagger s)$$

Note: Uses  $\chi = 0$

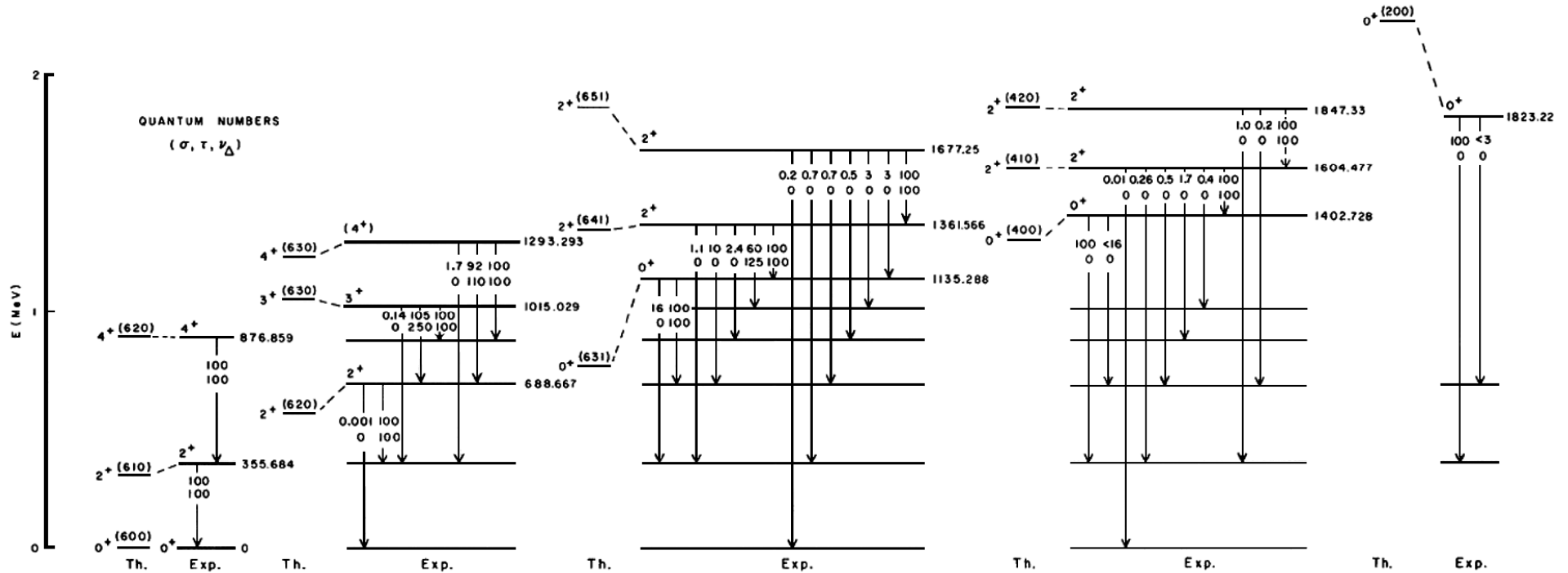
O(6)

E2  $\Delta\sigma = 0$   $\Delta\tau = 1$

## O(6) Symmetry



# $^{196}\text{Pt}$ : Best (first) $O(6)$ nucleus $\gamma$ -soft

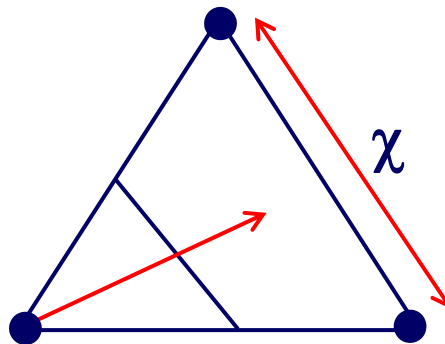


# More General IBA calculations

Thus far, we have only dealt with nuclei corresponding to one of the three dynamical symmetries. Probably <1% of nuclei do that.

So, how do we treat the others? That is, how do we calculate with the IBA AWAY from the vertices of the symmetry triangle?

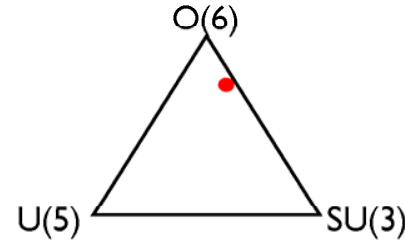
A couple of interesting examples first, then a general approach --  
- The technique of Orthogonal Crossing Contours (OCC)





## Examples

1) Well deformed nucleus –  $^{168}\text{Er}$

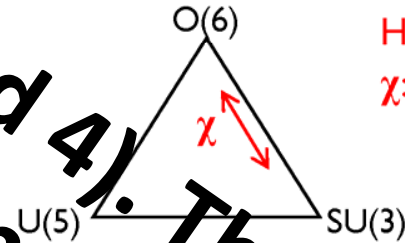


$$H \sim a_2 Q \cdot Q \quad \chi \text{ between } 0 \text{ and } -\sqrt{7}/2$$

Calculations with  $\chi \sim -0.4$  work well.  
Fix  $a_2$  from  $E(2_1^+)$

2) Os isotopes

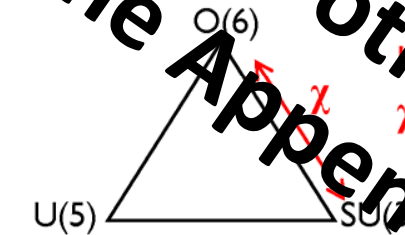
$O(6) \rightarrow SU(3)$



$$H = \sim a_2 Q \cdot Q$$

$$\chi: 0 \text{ to } \sim -0.4$$

3) Universal Calculations  $O(6) \rightarrow SU(3)$



$$H \sim a_2 Q \cdot Q$$

$$\chi: 0 \text{ to } \sim -1.32$$

4) Mapping the triangle.

Technique of Orthogonal Crossing Contours

CQF  
along the  
 $O(6) - SU(3)$   
leg

$$H = -\kappa Q \cdot Q$$

Only a single  
parameter,  $\mathcal{M}$

$$H = \varepsilon n_d - \kappa Q \cdot Q$$

Two parameters

$\varepsilon / \kappa$  and  $\mathcal{M}$

We will discuss 1) and 4). The others are included in the slides in the Appendix

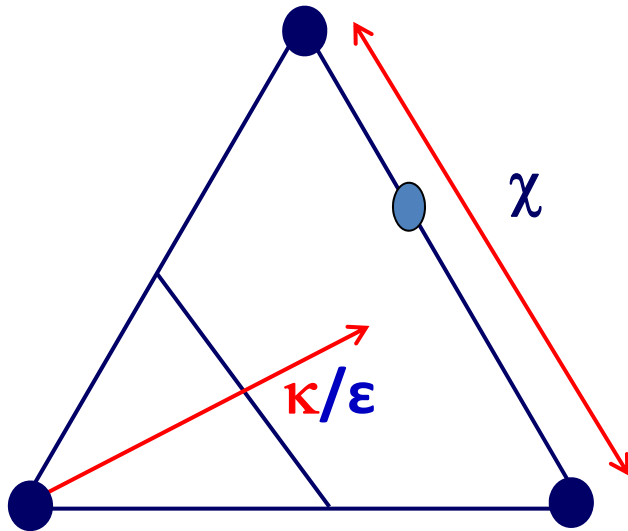
# 168-Er very simple 1-parameter calculation

$$H = \epsilon n_d - \kappa Q \cdot Q$$

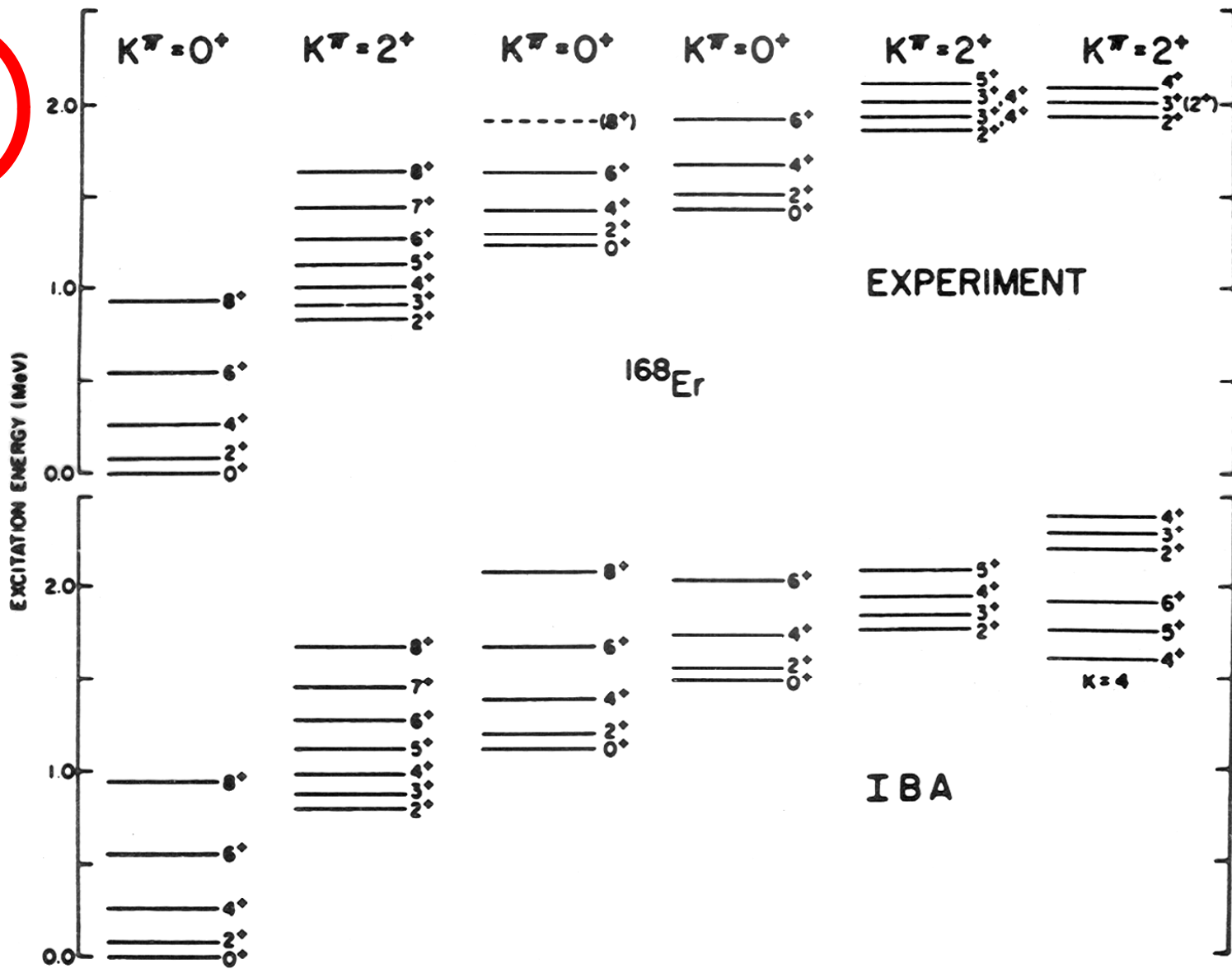
$$\epsilon = 0$$

$$H = - \kappa Q \cdot Q$$

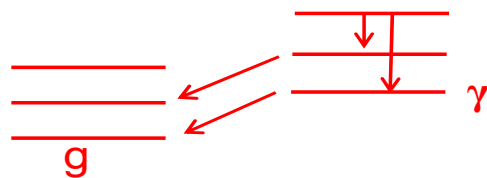
$\kappa$  is just scale factor  
So, only parameter is  $\chi$



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# IBA<sub>CQF</sub> Predictions for <sup>168</sup>Er



$J_i$	$J_f, K_f$	Alaga	Exp	IBA(CQF)
2	0,0	70	54.0	54
	2,0	100	100	100
	4,0	5	6.8	7.6
3	2,0	2.6	2.6	2.6
	4,0	1.0	1.7	1.8
	2,2		100	100
4	2,0	2.7	1.6	1.7
	4,0	8.1	8.1	9.6
	6,0	0.8	1.1	1.5
	2,2		100	100
5	4,0	2.9	2.9	3.5
	6,0	1.5	3.6	4.4
	3,2		100	100
	4,2		122	95
6	4,0	1.0	0.44	0.44
	6,0	3.8	3.8	4.9
	8,0	0.4	1.4	1.0
	4,2		100	100
	5,2		69	57
7	6,0		0.7	1.9
	5,2		100	100
	6,2		59	36

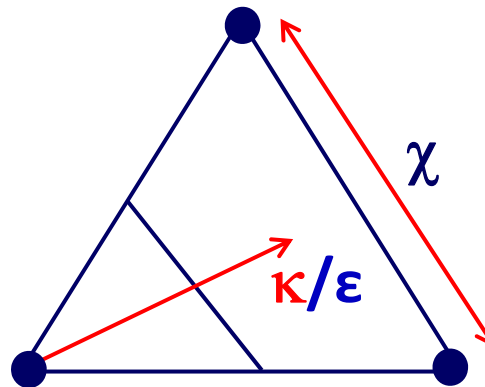
## Mapping the Entire Triangle

$$H = \varepsilon n_d - \kappa Q \cdot Q$$

Parameters:  $\kappa/\varepsilon$ ,  $\chi$  (within Q)

2 parameters

2-D surface



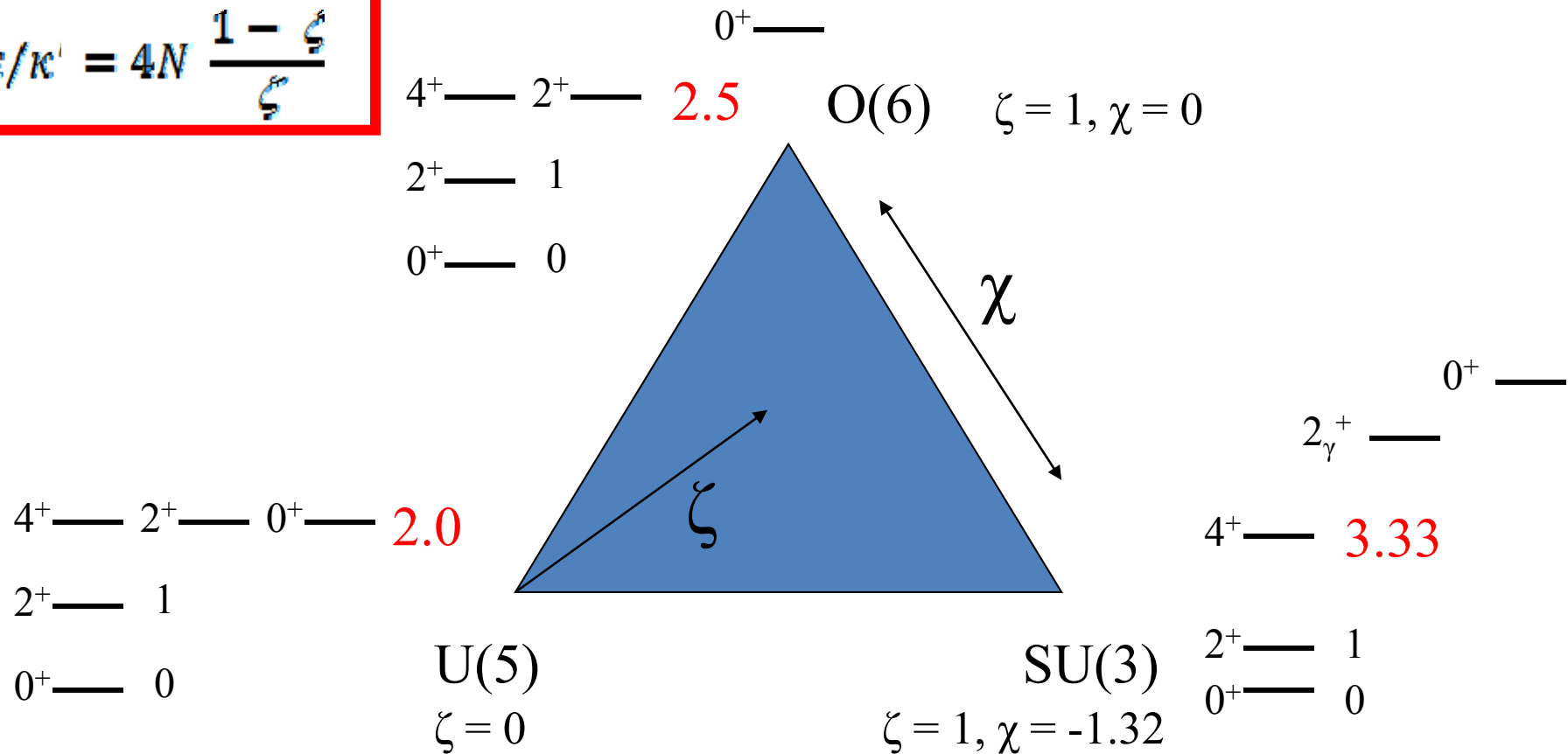
Problem:  $\kappa/\varepsilon$  varies from zero to infinity: Awkward.

So, introduce a simple change of variables

# Spanning the Triangle

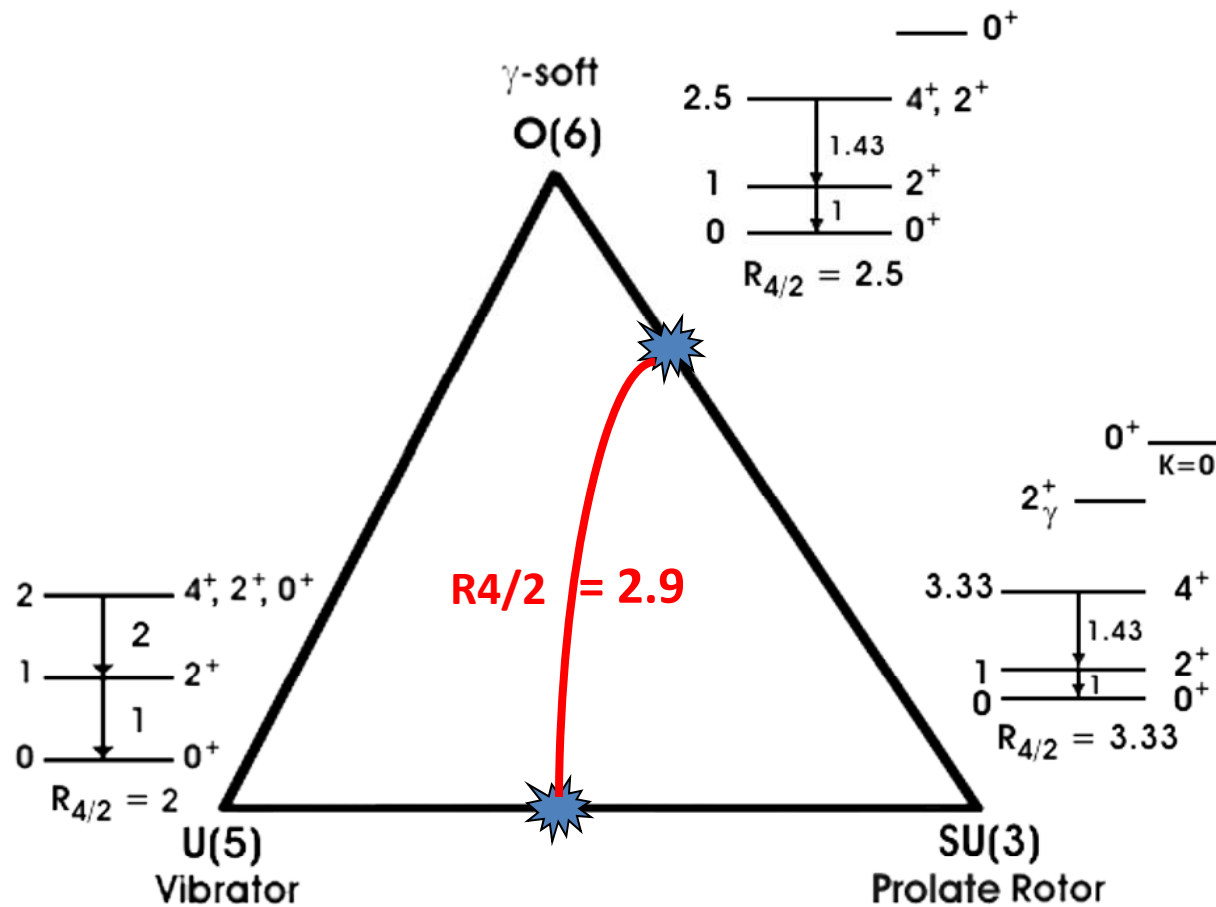
$$H = c \quad \square \quad - \quad \square$$

$$\epsilon/\kappa' = 4N \frac{1-\zeta}{\zeta}$$





**H** has two parameters. A given observable can only specify one of them. What does this imply? An observable gives a contour of constant values within the triangle





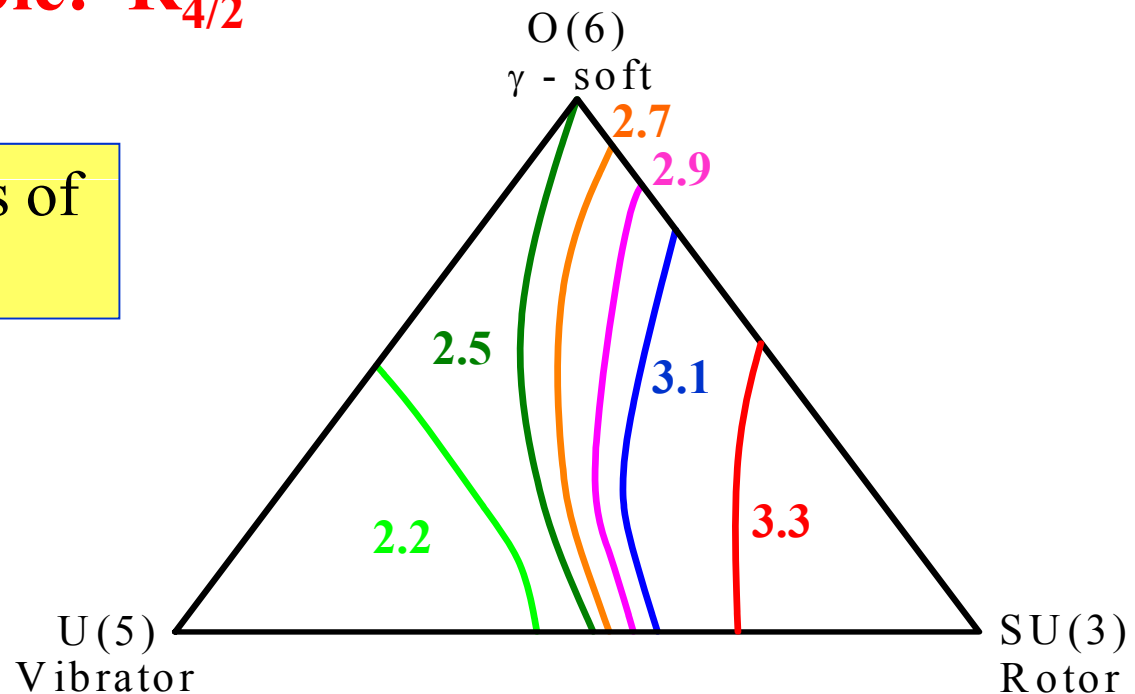
## A simple way to pinpoint structure.

### Technique of Orthogonal Crossing Contours (OCC)

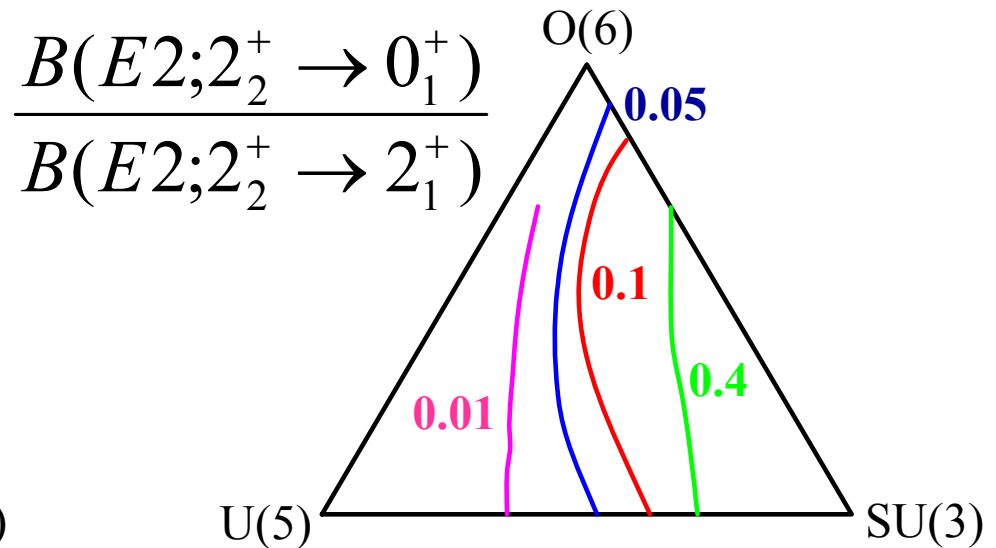
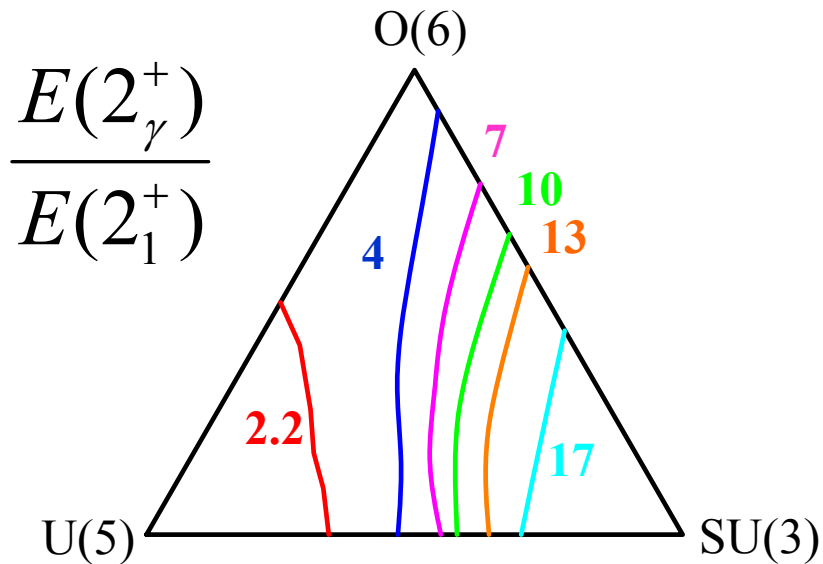
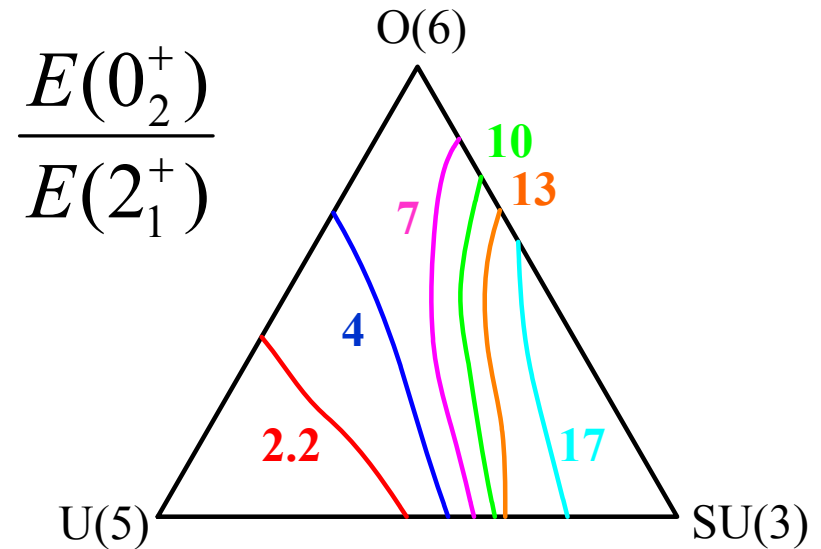
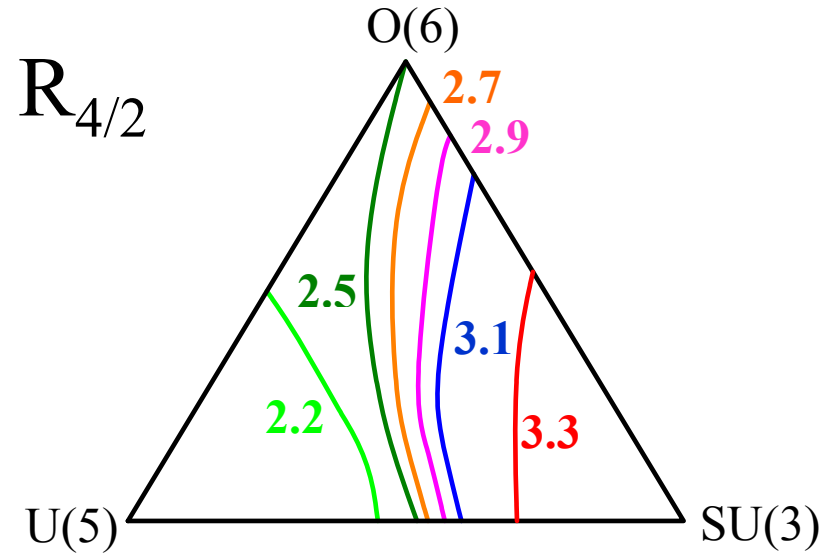
- At the basic level : 2 observables (to map any point in the symmetry triangle)
- Preferably with perpendicular trajectories in the triangle

### Simplest Observable: $R_{4/2}$

Only provides a locus of structure



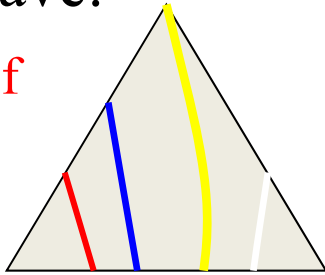
# Contour Plots in the Triangle



# We have a problem

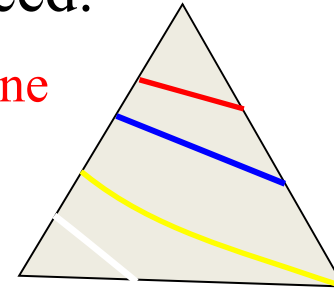
What we have:

Lots of

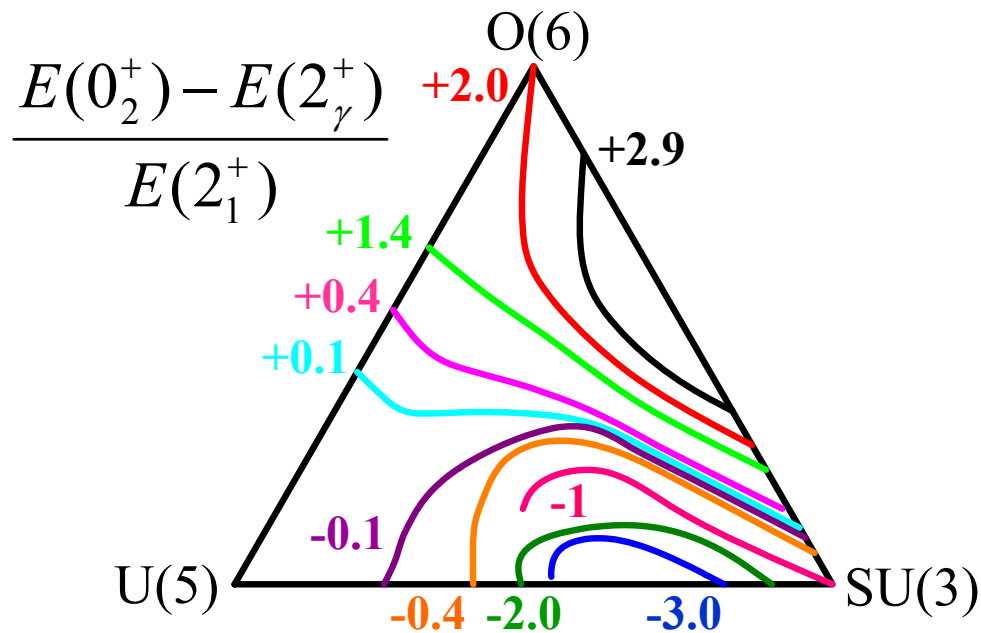


What we need:

Just one

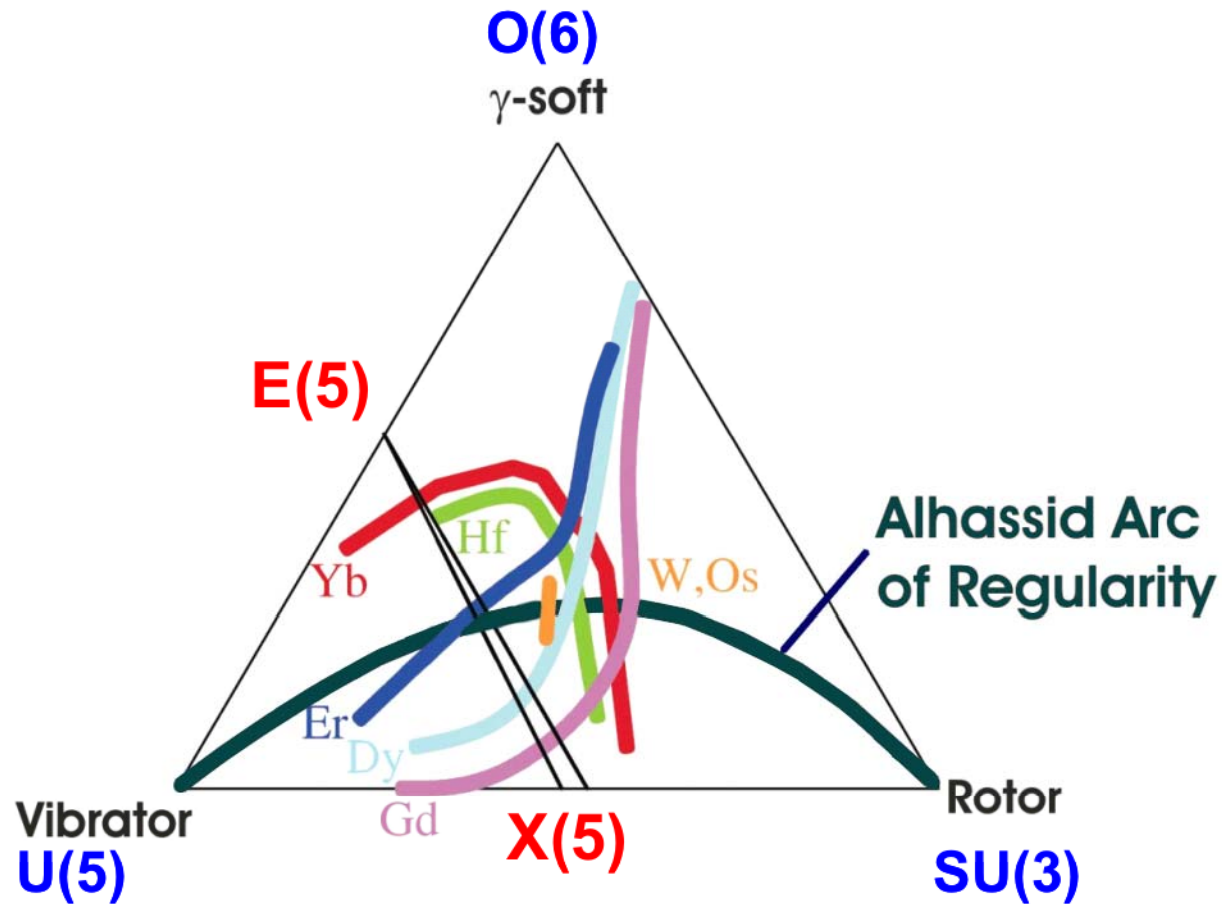


Fortunately:





# Evolution of Structure



Complementarity of **macroscopic** and **microscopic** approaches. Why do certain nuclei exhibit specific symmetries? Why these evolutionary trajectories?

*What will happen far from stability in regions of proton-neutron asymmetry and/or weak binding?*

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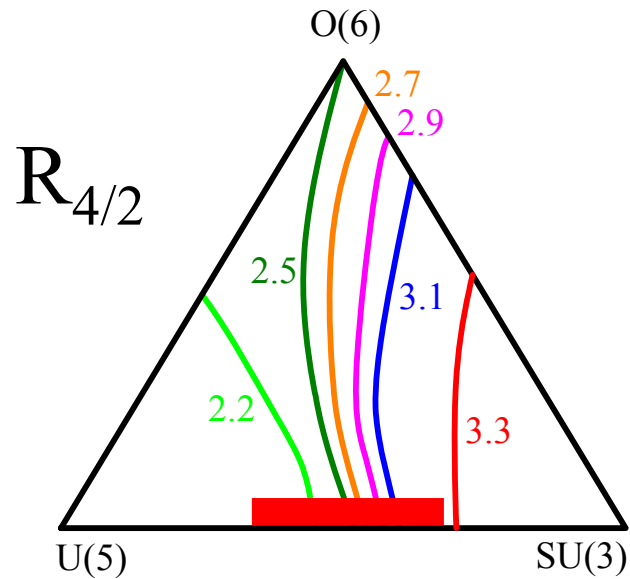
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Trajectories-by-eye

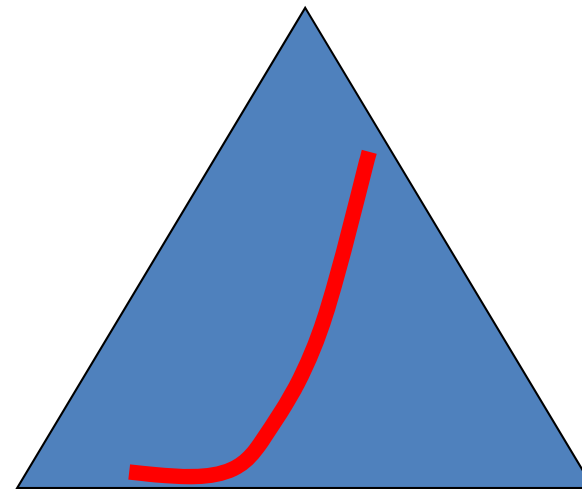
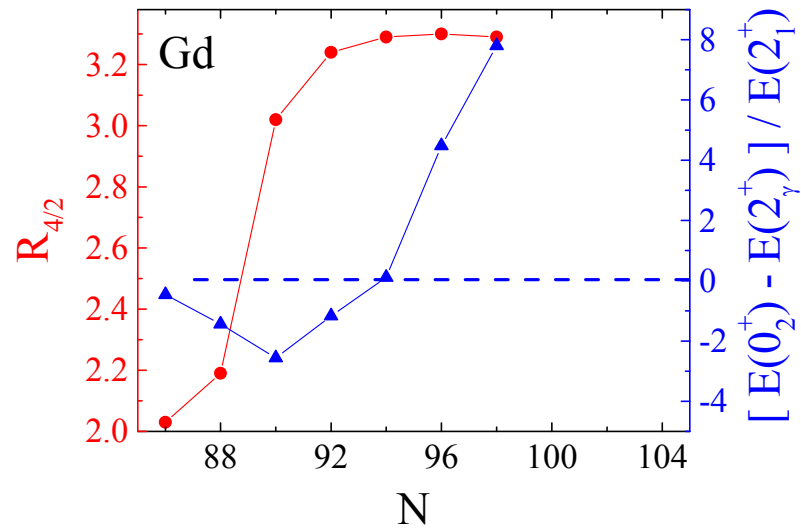
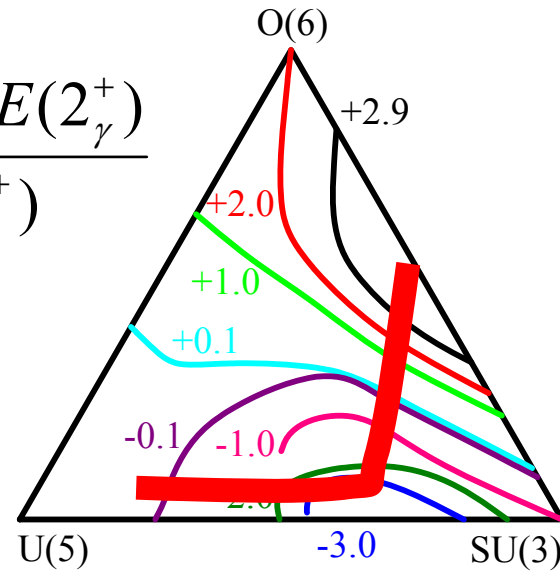
Running the IBA program using the  
Titan computer at Yale

Examples “2” and “3” skipped  
earlier of the use of the CQF form  
of the IBA

# Trajectories at a Glance



$$\frac{E(0_2^+) - E(2_\gamma^+)}{E(2_1^+)}$$





# Nuclear Model Codes at Yale

## Computer name: Titan

### Connecting to SSH: Quick connect

**Host name:** titan.physics.yale.edu  
**User name:** phy664  
**Port Number** 22  
**Password:** nuclear\_codes

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**cd phintm**

**pico filename.in (ctrl x, yes, return)**

**runphintm filename (w/o extension)**

**pico filename.out (ctrl x, return)**

# U(5) Input

```

$diag
eps = 0.20, kappa = 0.00, chi = -0.00,
nphmax = 6,
iai = 0, iam = 6, neig = 3,
mult=.t.,ell=0.0,pair=0.0,oct=0.0,ippm=1,print=.t.
$
$em
E2SD=1.0, E2DD=-0.00
$
SLCT 2 2+ 0+ 2

99999
  
```

# Output

-----  
L P = 0+

Basis vectors  
|NR> = |ND,NB,NC,LD,NF,L P>

**Basis**

```

-----
|1> = | 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0+>
|2> = | 2, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0+>
|3> = | 3, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0+>
|4> = | 4, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0+>
|5> = | 5, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0+>
|6> = | 6, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0+>
|7> = | 6, 3, 0, 0, 0, 0+>
  
```

**Energies**

```

Energies
0.0000 0.4000 0.6000 0.8000 1.0000 1.2000 1.2000
  
```

Eigenvectors

```

1: 1.000 0.000 0.000
2: 0.000 1.000 0.000
3: 0.000 0.000 1.000
4: 0.000 0.000 0.000
5: 0.000 0.000 0.000
6: 0.000 0.000 0.000
7: 0.000 0.000 0.000
  
```

**Pert.  
Wave  
Fcts.**

-----  
L P = 1+

No states  
-----

L P = 2+

Energies

```

0.2000 0.4000 0.6000 0.8000 0.8000 1.0000 1.0000 1.2000 1.2000
  
```

-----  
L P = 3+

Energies

```

0.6000 1.0000 1.2000
  
```

-----  
L P = 4+

Energies

```

0.4000 0.6000 0.8000 0.8000 1.0000 1.0000 1.2000 1.2000 1.2000
  
```

-----  
L P = 5+

Energies

```

0.8000 1.0000 1.2000
  
```

-----  
L P = 6+

Energies

```

0.6000 0.8000 1.0000 1.0000 1.2000 1.2000 1.2000
  
```

-----  
Transitions: 2+ -> 0+ (BE2)

```

2+,1 -> 0+,1: 6.00000 2+,1 -> 0+,2: 2.00000 2+,1 -> 0+,3: 0.00000
2+,2 -> 0+,1: 0.00000 2+,2 -> 0+,2: 0.00000 2+,2 -> 0+,3: 2.40000
2+,3 -> 0+,1: 0.00000 2+,3 -> 0+,2: 5.60000 2+,3 -> 0+,3: 0.00000
and 0+ -> 2+ (BE2)
  
```

```

0+,1 -> 2+,1: 30.00000 0+,2 -> 2+,1: 10.00000 0+,3 -> 2+,1: 0.00000
0+,1 -> 2+,2: 0.00000 0+,2 -> 2+,2: 0.00000 0+,3 -> 2+,2: 12.00000
0+,1 -> 2+,3: 0.00000 0+,2 -> 2+,3: 28.00000 0+,3 -> 2+,3: 0.00000
  
```

-----  
Transitions: 4+ -> 2+ (BE2)

```

4+,1 -> 2+,1: 10.00000 4+,1 -> 2+,2: 0.00000 4+,1 -> 2+,3: 2.28571
4+,2 -> 2+,1: 0.00000 4+,2 -> 2+,2: 6.28571 4+,2 -> 2+,3: 0.00000
4+,3 -> 2+,1: 0.00000 4+,3 -> 2+,2: 0.00000 4+,3 -> 2+,3: 3.85714
  
```

# O(6)

## Input

```

$diag
eps = 0.0, kappa = 0.02, chi = -0.0,
nphmax = 6,
iai = 0, iam = 6, neig = 5,
mult=.t.,ell=0.0,pair=0.0,oct=0.0,ippm=1,print=.t.
$
$em
E2SD=1.0, E2DD=-0.00
$
99999

```

## Output

-----  
L P = 0+

Basis vectors

|NR> = |ND,NB,NC,I,D,NF,I,P>

```

-----
|1> = | 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0+>
|2> = | 2, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0+>
|3> = | 3, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0+>
|4> = | 4, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0+>
|5> = | 5, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0+>
|6> = | 6, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0+>
|7> = | 6, 3, 0, 0, 0, 0+>

```

**Basis**

**Energies**

```

Energies
0.0000 0.3600 0.5600 0.9200 0.9600 1.0800 1.2000

```

Eigenvectors

```

1: -0.433 0.000 0.685 0.000 0.559
2: -0.750 0.000 0.079 0.000 -0.581
3: 0.000 -0.886 0.000 0.463 0.000
4: -0.491 0.000 -0.673 0.000 0.296
5: 0.000 -0.463 0.000 -0.886 0.000
6: 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000
7: -0.094 0.000 -0.269 0.000 0.512

```

**Pert.  
Wave  
Fcts.**

L P = 1+

No states  
-----

L P = 2+

Energies

```

0.0800 0.2000 0.5600 0.6400 0.7600 0.8000 1.0400 1.1200 1.1600

```

L P = 3+

Energies

```

0.3600 0.9200 1.0800

```

L P = 4+

Energies

```

0.2000 0.3600 0.5600 0.7600 0.8000 0.9200 1.0800 1.1200 1.1600

```

L P = 5+

Energies

```

0.5600 0.8000 1.1200

```

L P = 6+

Energies

```

0.3600 0.5600 0.8000 0.9200 1.0800 1.0800 1.1200

```

-----  
Binding energy = -0.6000 , eps-eff = -0.1200

# SU(3)

\*\*\*\*\* Input file contents \*\*\*\*\*

\$diag

eps = 0.00, kappa = 0.02, chi = -1.3229,

nphmax = 6,

iai = 0, iam = 6, neig = 5,

mult=.t.,ell=0.0,pair=0.0,oct=0.0,ippm=1,print=.t.

\$

\$em

E2SD=1.0, E2DD=-2.598

\$

99999

\*\*\*\*\*

L P = 0+

Basis vectors

|NR> = |ND,NB,NC,LD,NF,L P>

| 1> = | 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0+>

| 2> = | 2, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0+>

| 3> = | 3, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0+>

| 4> = | 4, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0+>

| 5> = | 5, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0+>

| 6> = | 6, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0+>

| 7> = | 6, 3, 0, 0, 0, 0+>

Energies

0.0000 0.6600 1.0800 1.2600 1.2600 1.5600 1.8000

Eigenvectors

1: 0.134 0.385 -0.524 -0.235 0.398

2: 0.463 0.600 -0.181 0.041 -0.069

3: -0.404 -0.204 -0.554 -0.557 -0.308

4: 0.606 -0.175 0.030 -0.375 -0.616

5: -0.422 0.456 -0.114 0.255 -0.432

6: -0.078 0.146 -0.068 0.245 -0.415

7: 0.233 -0.437 -0.606 0.606 0.057

**Wave fcts. in  
U(5) basis**

L P = 1+

No states

L P = 2+

Energies

0.0450 0.7050 0.7050 1.1250 1.1250 1.3050 1.3050 1.6050

L P = 3+

Energies

0.7500 1.1700 1.6500

L P = 4+

Energies

0.1500 0.8100 0.8100 1.2300 1.2300 1.2300 1.4100 1.4100

L P = 5+

Energies

0.8850 1.3050 1.3050

L P = 6+

Energies

0.3150 0.9750 0.9750 1.3950 1.3950 1.5750 1.5750

Binding energy = -1.2000 , eps-eff = -0.1550

2

## “Universal” IBA Calculations for the SU(3) – O(6) leg

$$H = -\kappa Q \cdot Q$$

$\kappa$  is just energy scale factor

$\Psi$ 's,  $B(E2)$ 's independent of  $\kappa$

Results depend **only** on  $\chi$   
[ and, of course, vary with  $N_B$  ]

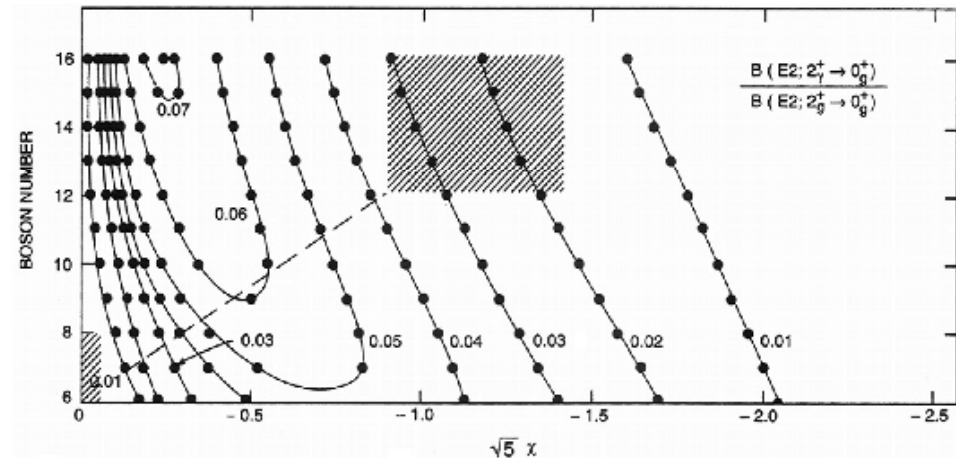
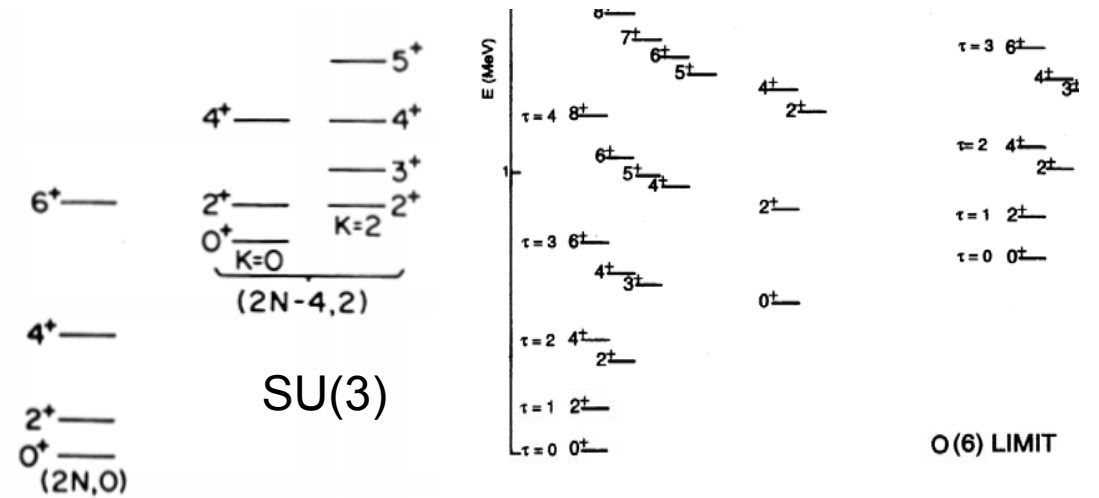
Can plot any observable as a set of  
contours vs.  $N_B$  and  $\chi$ .

# Universal O(6) – SU(3) Contour Plots

$$H = -\kappa Q \cdot Q$$

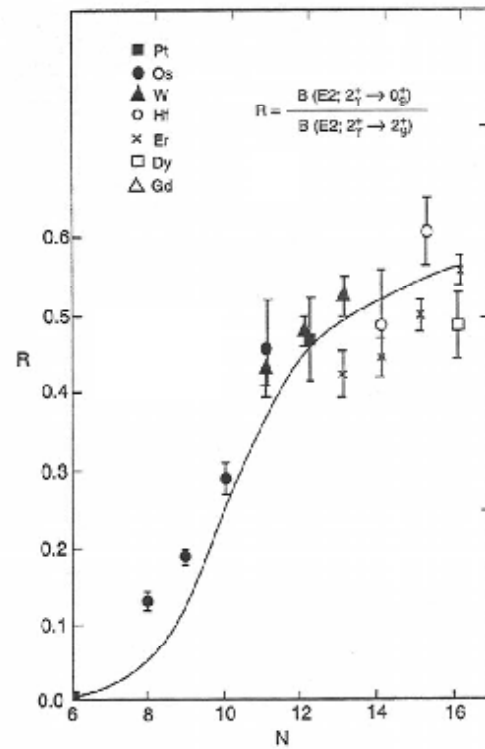
$$\chi = 0 \quad \text{O(6)}$$

$$\chi = -1.32 \quad \text{SU(3)}$$



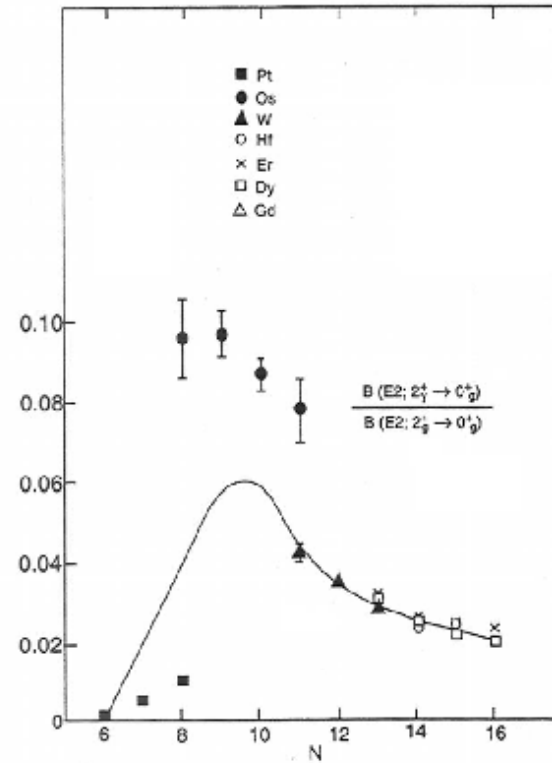
# CQF

$$\frac{2_\gamma \rightarrow 0_g}{2_\gamma \rightarrow 2_g}$$



**Alaga = 0.7**

$$\frac{2_\gamma \rightarrow 0_g}{2_g \rightarrow 0_g}$$

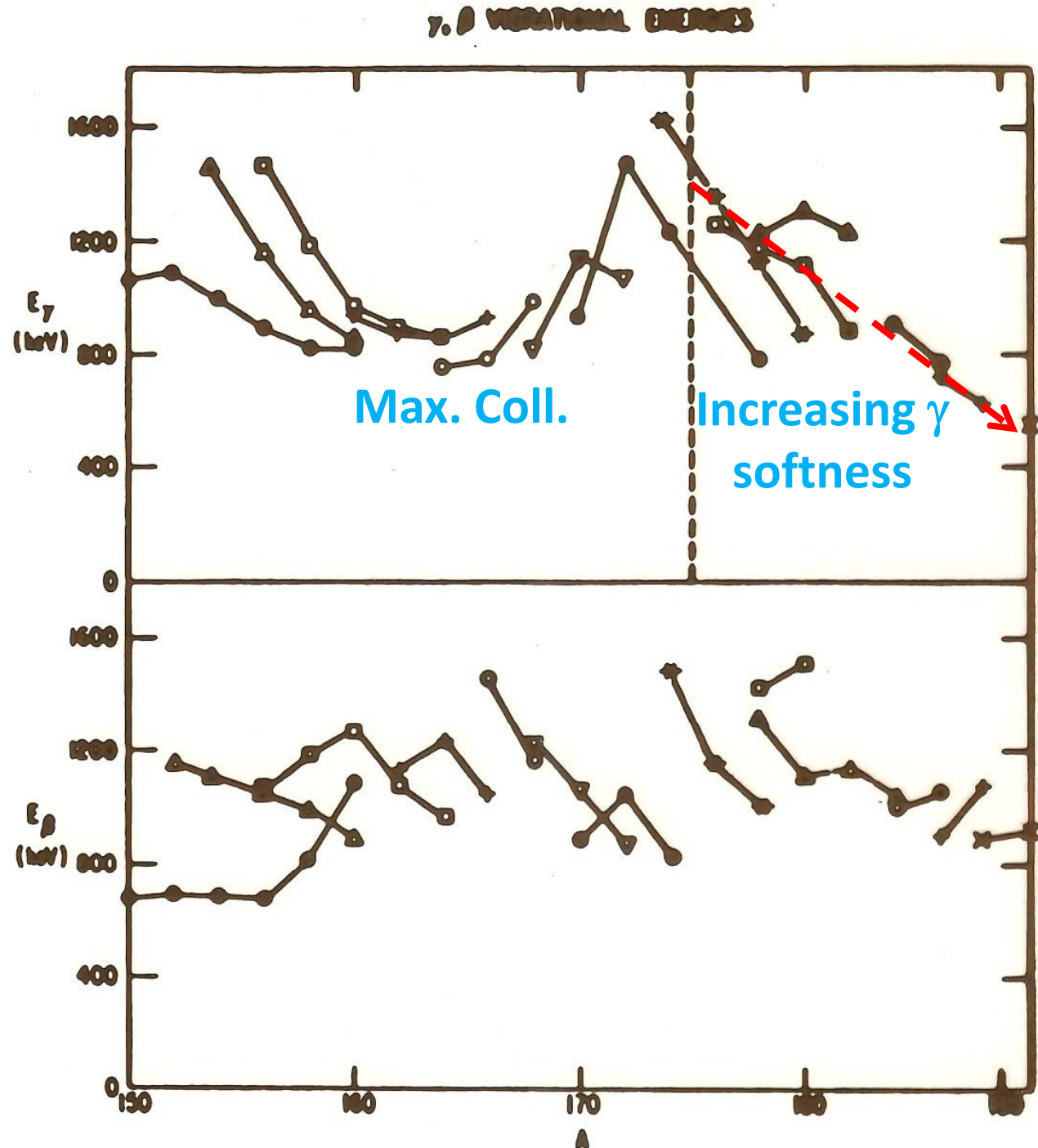


**Vanishes in all 3 symmetries. Finite only in transition regions**

# Systematics and collectivity of the lowest vibrational modes in deformed nuclei

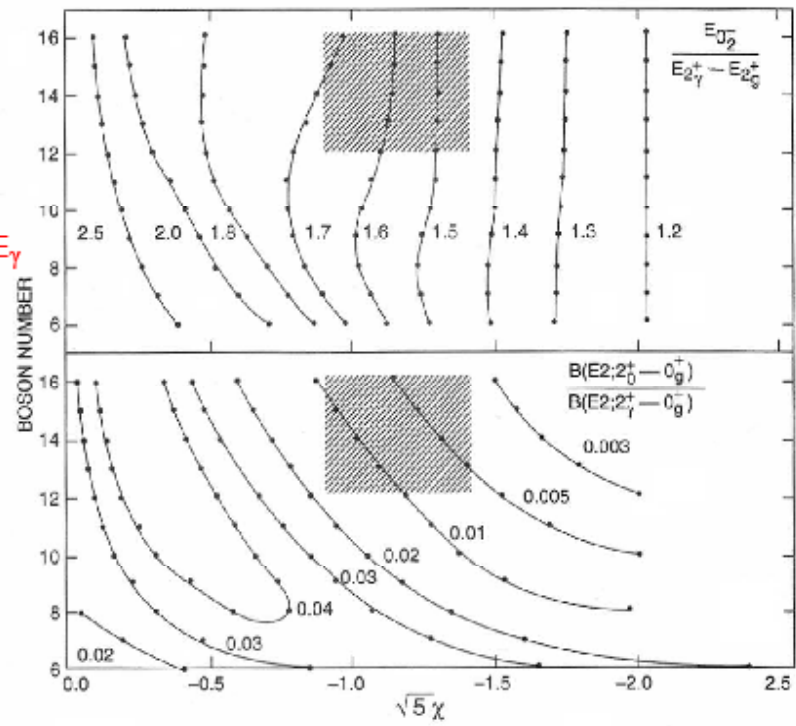
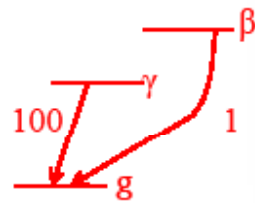
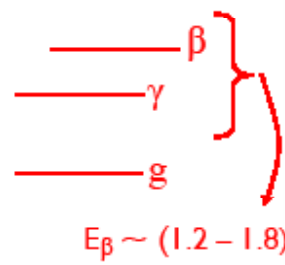
Notice that the the  $\beta$  mode is at higher energies ( $\sim 1.5$  times the  $\gamma$  vibration near mid-shell)\* and fluctuates more. This points to lower collectivity of the  $\beta$  vibration.

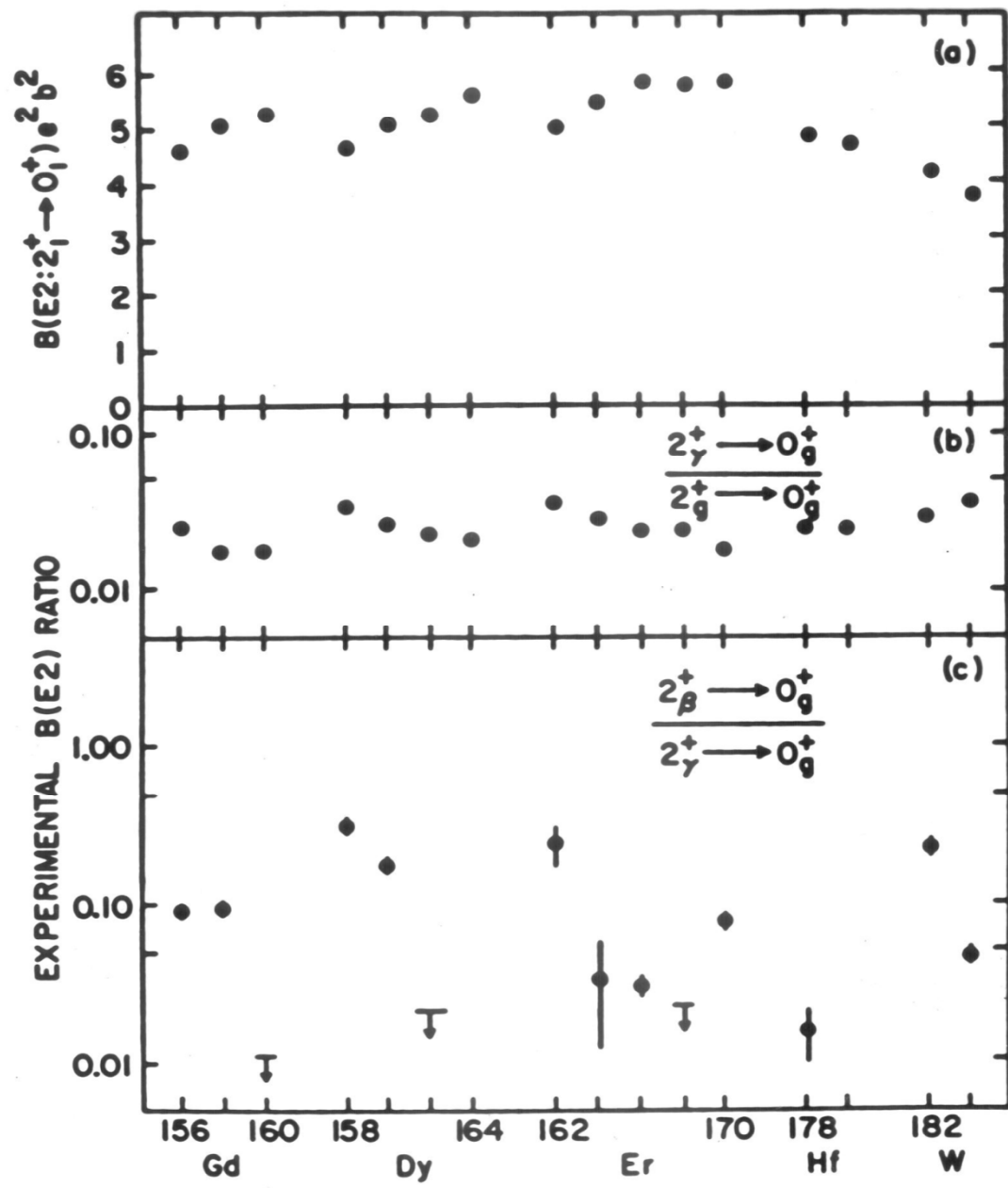
\* Remember for later !





# Universal Contour Plots: $O(6) \rightarrow SU(3)$ $H = -\kappa Q \cdot Q$



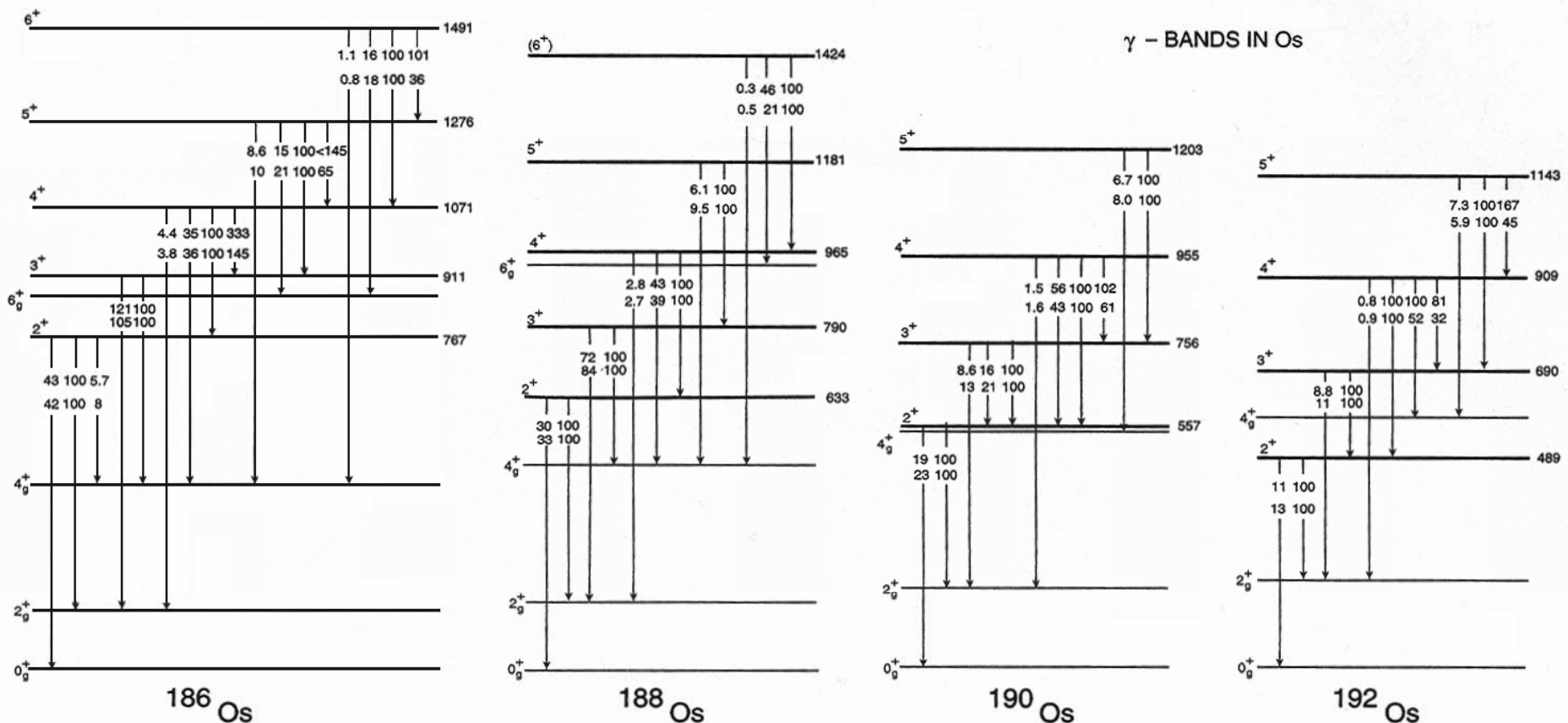


Os isotopes from A = 186 to 192: Structure varies from a moderately gamma soft rotor to close to the O(6) gamma-independent limit. Describe simply with:

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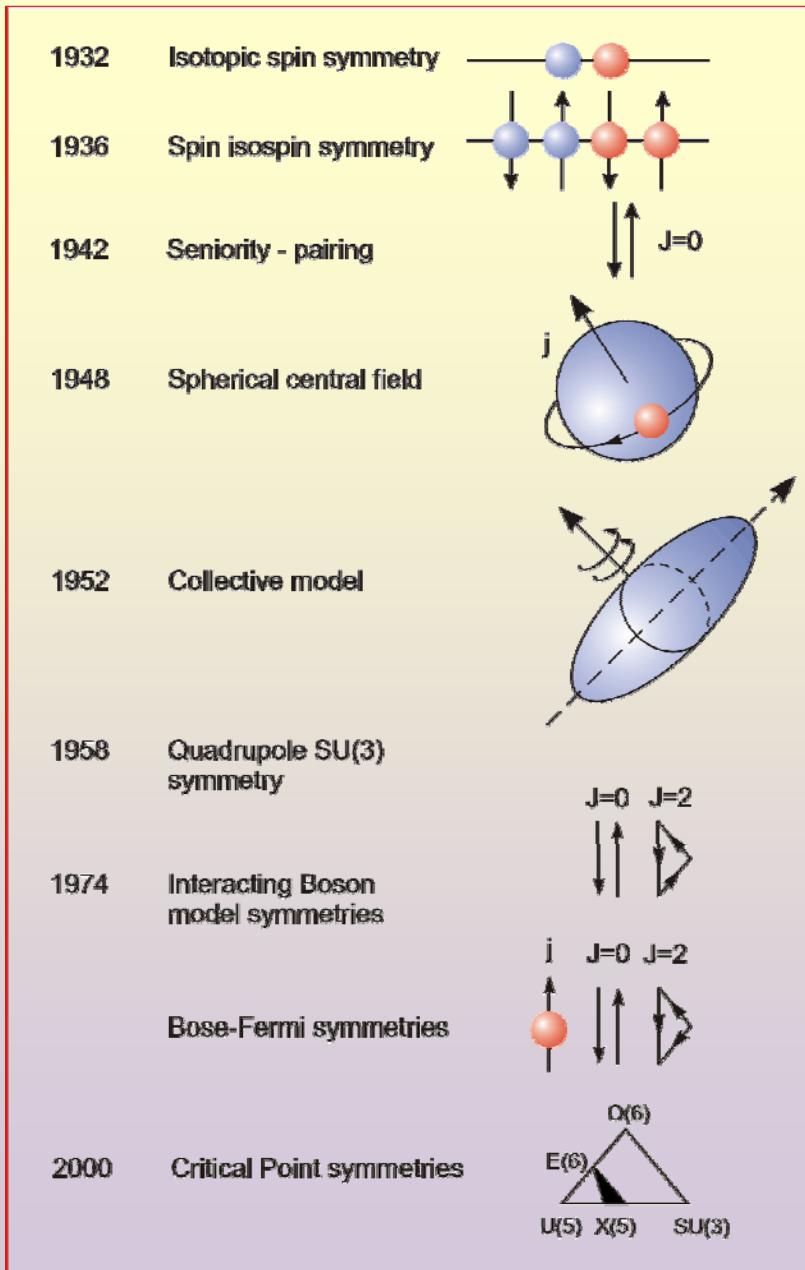
$$H = -\kappa Q \cdot Q$$

$\mathbb{M} : 0 \propto$  small as A decreases



End of Appendix

# Backups



Symmetry has been used as a guiding principle to create order and beauty in modeling the nuclear many body-system

# More than one phonon? What angular momenta? M-scheme for bosons

**Table 6.1** *m* scheme for two-quadrupole phonon states\*

$J_1 = 2$ $m_1$	$J_2 = 2$ $m_2$	$M = \sum m_i$		$J$
2	2	4	]	4
2	1	3		
2	0	2		
2	-1	1		
2	-2	0		
1	1	2	]	2
1	0	1		
1	-1	0		
0	0	0	]	0

\*Only positive total  $M$  values are shown: the table is symmetric for  $M < 0$ . The full set of allowable  $m_i$  values giving  $M \geq 0$  is obtained by the conditions  $m_1 \geq 0, m_2 \leq m_1$ .

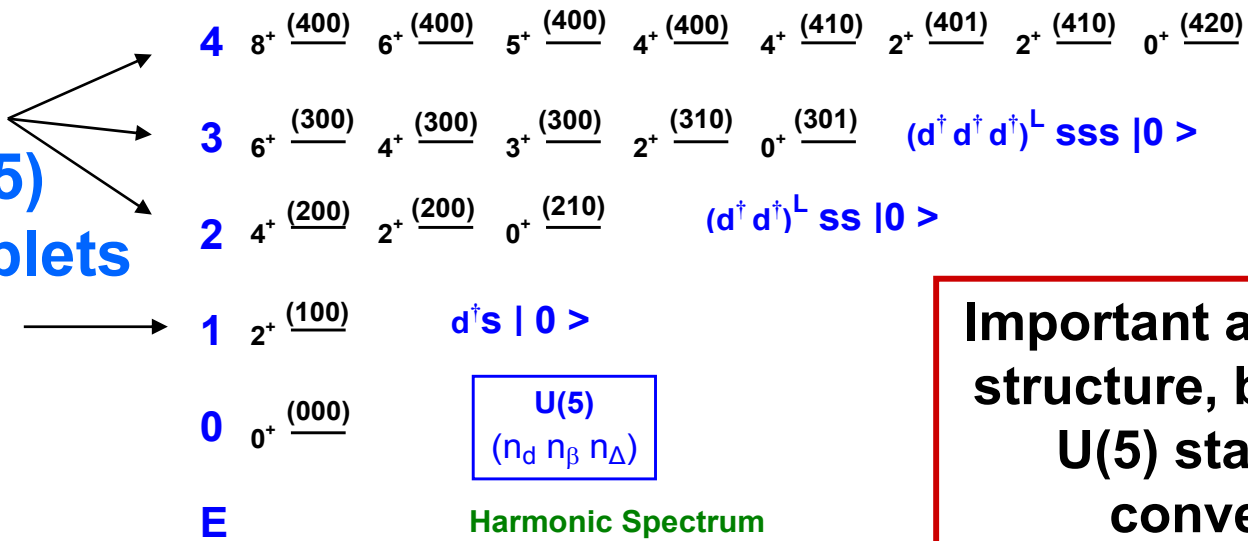
# U(5)

$H = \epsilon n_d + \text{anharmonic terms}$

$n_d = \# \text{ d bosons in wave function}$

$\epsilon = \text{energy of d boson}$

## U(5) Multiplets



Important as a benchmark of structure, but also since the U(5) states serve as a convenient set of **basis states** for the IBA

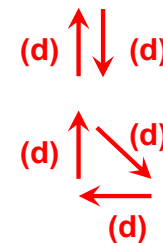
### Quantum Numbers

$N = n_s + n_d = \text{Total Boson No.}$

$n_d = \# \text{ d bosons}$

$n_\beta = \# \text{ of pairs of d bosons coupled to } J = 0^+$

$n_\Delta = \# \text{ of triplets of d bosons coupled to } J = 0^+$





## Review of phonon creation and destruction operators

$$\mathbf{b}|n_b\rangle = \sqrt{n_b} |n_b - 1\rangle$$

$$\mathbf{b}^\dagger |n_b\rangle = \sqrt{(n_b + 1)} |n_b + 1\rangle$$

What is a creation operator? Why useful?

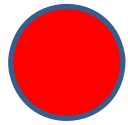
A) Bookkeeping – makes calculations very simple.

B) “Ignorance operator”: We don’t know the structure of a phonon but, for many predictions, we don’t need to know its microscopic basis.

$$\mathbf{b}^\dagger \mathbf{b}|n_b\rangle = \mathbf{b}^\dagger \sqrt{n_b} |n_b - 1\rangle = \sqrt{n_b} \sqrt{(n_b - 1) + 1} |n_b\rangle = n_b |n_b\rangle$$

$\mathbf{b}^\dagger \mathbf{b}$  is a **b**-phonon number operator.

For the IBA a boson is the same as a phonon – think of it as a collective excitation with ang. mom. 0 (s) or 2 (d).



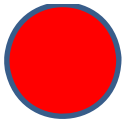
# Brief, simple, trip into the Group Theory of the IBA

**DON'T BE SCARED**

You do not need to understand all the details but try to get the idea of the relation of groups to degeneracies of levels and quantum numbers

A more intuitive name for this application of Group Theory is

**“Spectrum Generating Algebras”**



# Concepts of group theory

First, some fancy words with simple meanings: Generators, Casimirs, Representations, conserved quantum numbers, degeneracy splitting

**Generators** of a group: Set of operators,  $O_i$  that close on commutation.

$[O_i, O_j] = O_i O_j - O_j O_i = O_k$  i.e., their commutator gives back 0 or a member of the set

For IBA, the 36 operators  $s^\dagger s, d^\dagger s, s^\dagger d, d^\dagger d$  are generators of the group U(6).

**ex:**  $[d^\dagger s, s^\dagger s] |n_d n_s\rangle = (d^\dagger s s^\dagger s - s^\dagger s d^\dagger s) |n_d n_s\rangle$

$$= d^\dagger s n_s |n_d n_s\rangle - s^\dagger s d^\dagger s |n_d n_s\rangle$$

$$= (n_s - s^\dagger s) d^\dagger s |n_d n_s\rangle$$

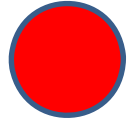
**e.g:**  $\left[ N, s^\dagger \tilde{d} \right] \frac{1}{\sqrt{n_d+1} \sqrt{n_s}} |n_d+1, n_s-1\rangle - s^\dagger \tilde{d} N \Psi$

$$= \sqrt{n_d+1} \sqrt{n_s} \left[ n_s - (n_s - 1) \right] \frac{1}{\sqrt{n_d+1} \sqrt{n_s}} |n_d+1, n_s-1\rangle \Psi$$

$$= \sqrt{n_d+1} \sqrt{n_s} |n_d+1, n_s-1\rangle - N s^\dagger \tilde{d} \Psi = 0$$

$$= d^\dagger s |n_d n_s\rangle$$

**or:**  $[d^\dagger s, s^\dagger s] = d^\dagger s$



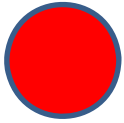
## Sub-groups:

Subsets of generators that commute among themselves.

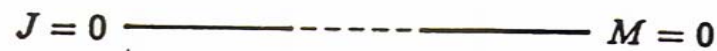
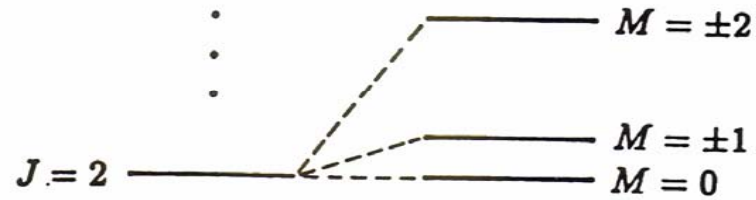
**e.g:**  $d^\dagger d$           25 generators—span U(5)

They conserve  $n_d$  (#  $d$  bosons)

Set of states with same  $n_d$  are the representations of the group [ U(5) ]



# Simple example of dynamical symmetries, group chain, degeneracies

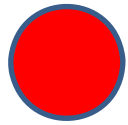


$$E_{JM} = 2a J(J+1) + 2b M^2$$

$O(3) \supset O(2)$

$$[H, J^2] = [H, J_z] = 0$$

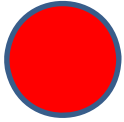
$J, M$  constants of motion



**Let's illustrate group chains and degeneracy-breaking.**

Consider a Hamiltonian that is a function **ONLY** of:  $s^\dagger s + d^\dagger d$

*That is:*  $H = a(s^\dagger s + d^\dagger d) = a(n_s + n_d) = aN$



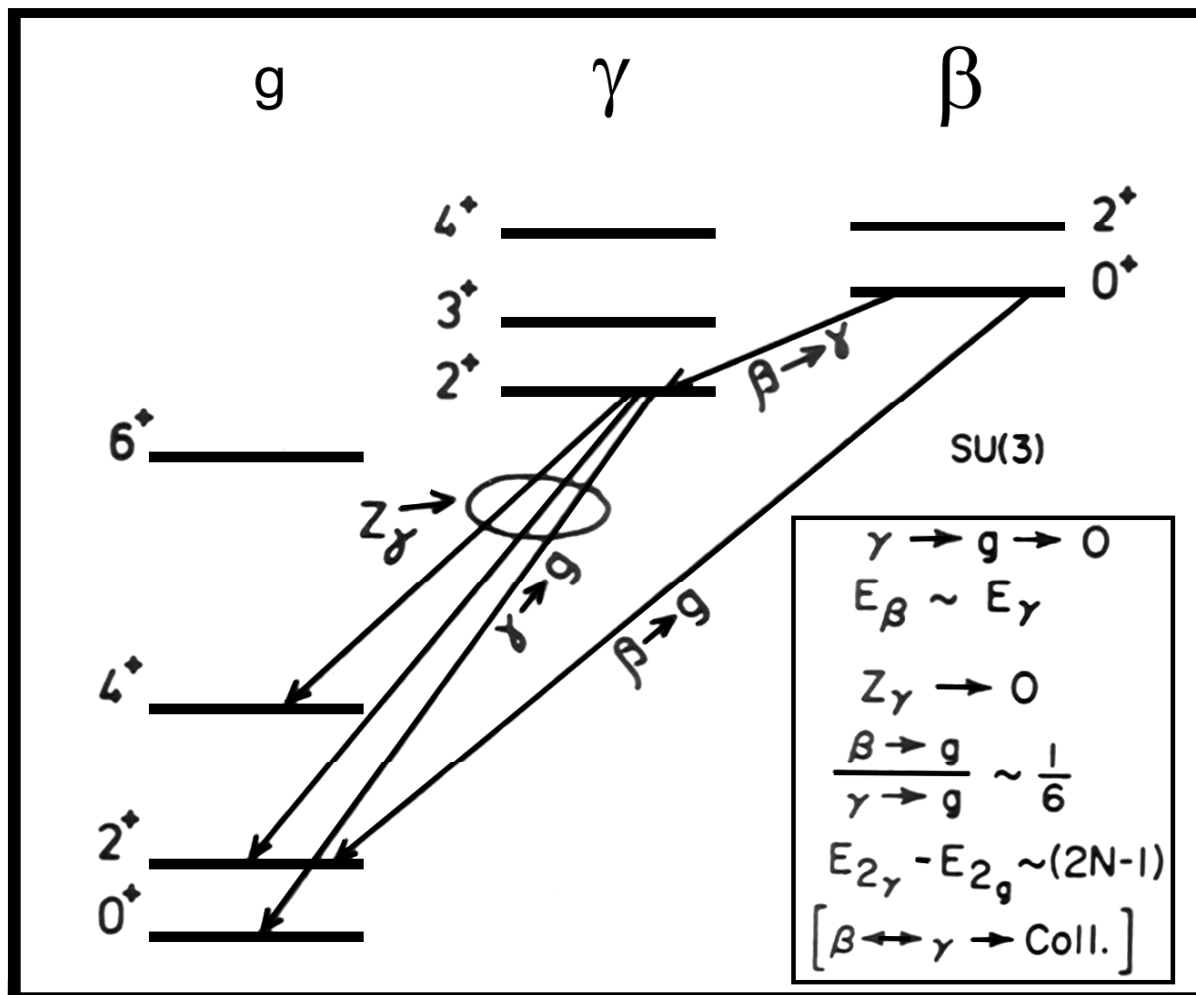
$$H' = H = aN$$

Now, add a term to this Hamiltonian:

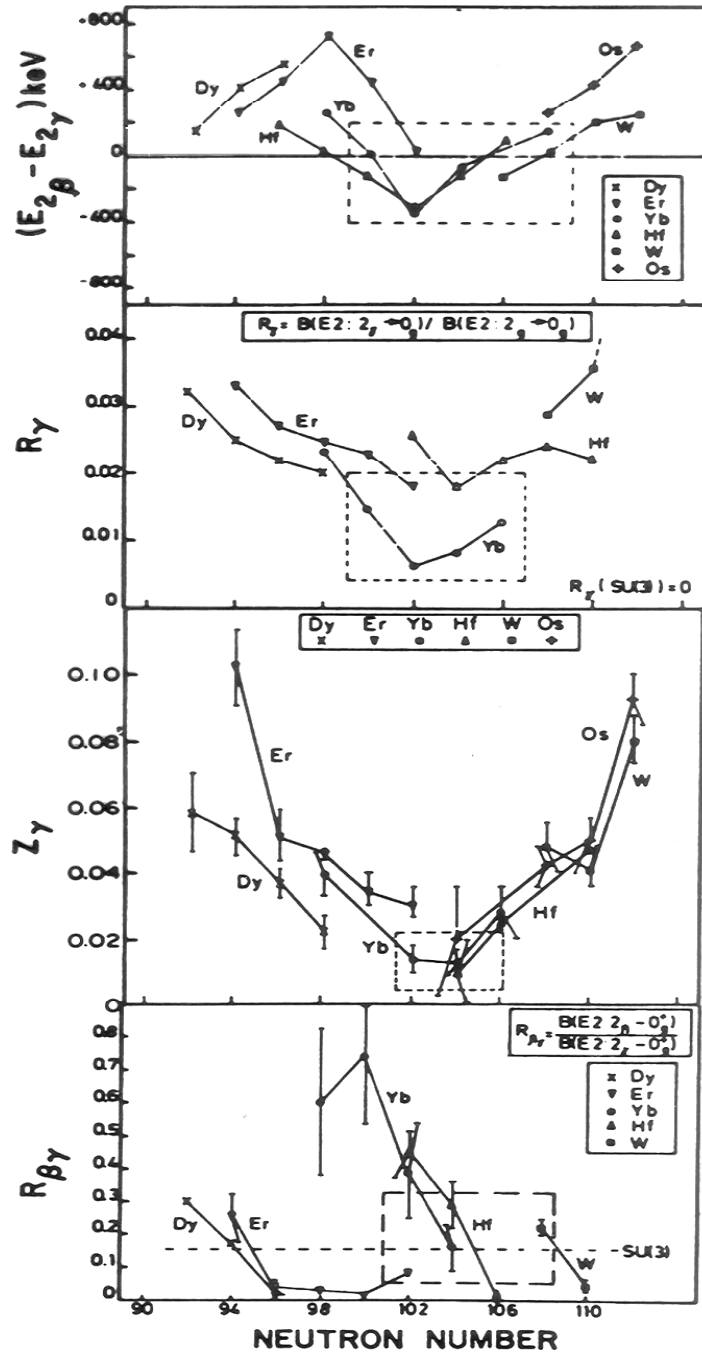
*Now the energies depend not only on  $N$  but also on  $n_d$*

*States of a given  $n_d$  are now degenerate. They are “representations” of the group  $U(5)$ . States with different  $n_d$  are not degenerate*

# Signatures of SU(3)







## Signatures of SU(3)

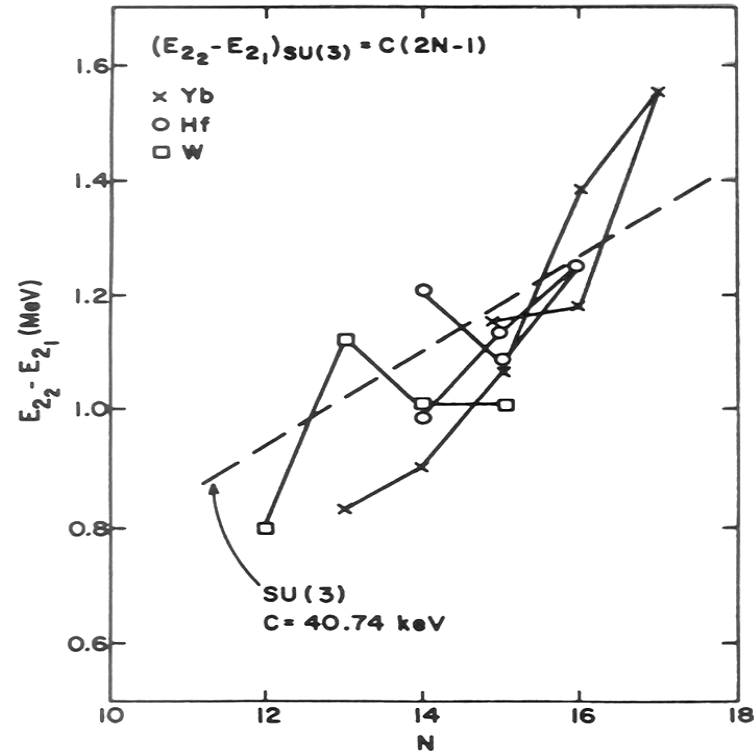
$$E_{\square} = E_{\square}$$

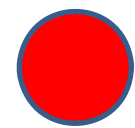
$$B(\square \square g) \square 0$$

$$Z_{\square} \square 0$$

$$\frac{B(\square \square g)}{B(\square \square g)} \square 1/6$$

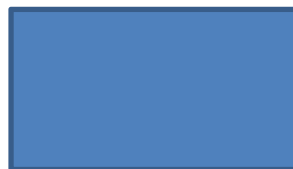
$$E(\square\text{-vib}) \square (2N - 1)$$



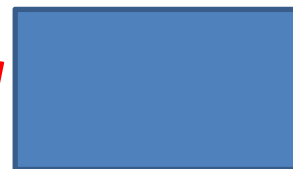


$$2a \frac{N+2}{}$$

$$H' = aN$$



$$= a N$$



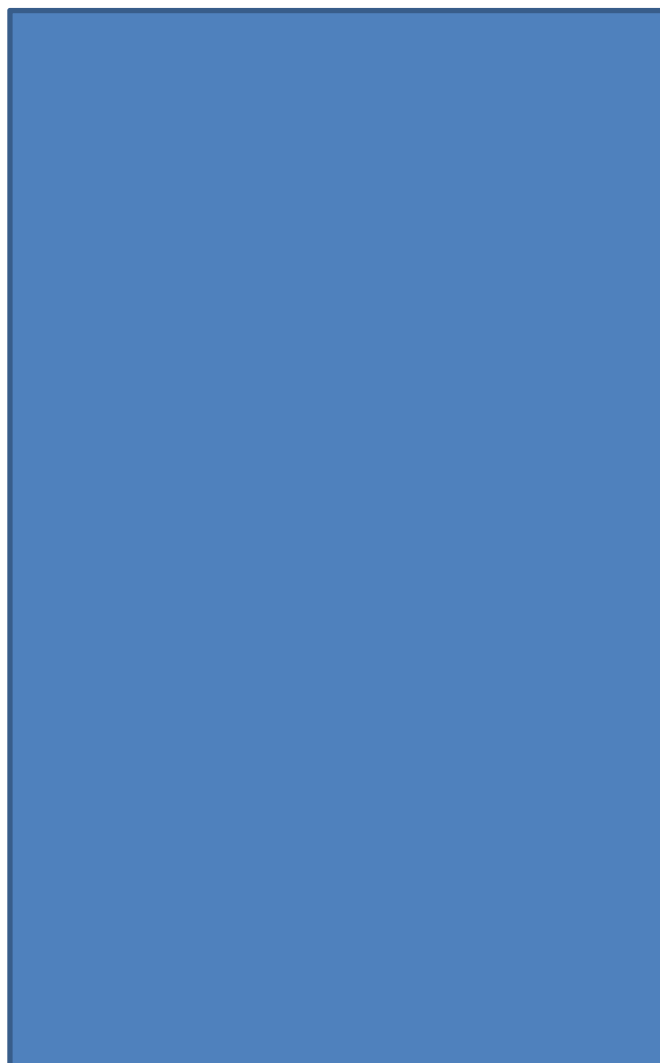
$$a \frac{N+1}{}$$

$$0 \frac{N}{}$$

E

U(6)

$$H' = aN$$



*Etc. with further terms*

# Dynamical Symmetries – The structural benchmarks

- $U(5)$  Vibrator – spherical nucleus that can oscillate in shape
- $SU(3)$  Axial Rotor – can rotate and vibrate
- $O(6)$  Axially asymmetric rotor ( “gamma-soft” )  
– squashed deformed rotor

# Classifying Collective Nuclear Structure – The Symmetry Triangle

