

New Trends in the Nuclear Shell Structure Part 2

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Brief summary on the role of forces at N=20 – Generalization to other shells

III. Study of the N=28 shell closure

The origin of the N=28 gap, role of nn forces,

From rigid ^{48}Ca to deformed ^{42}Si , the role of tensor force

IV. Nuclear astrophysics: the rapid neutron capture process

Brief introduction, key nuclear parameters

The role of nuclear forces

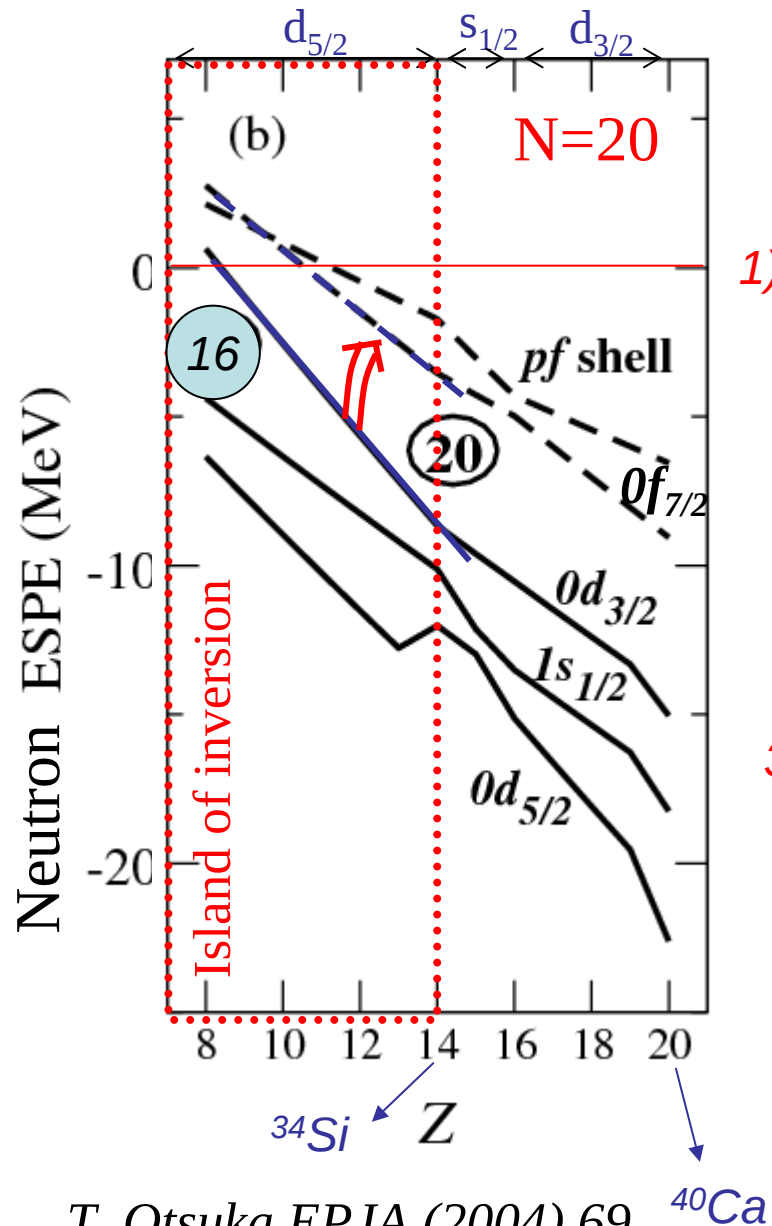
Impact of nuclear physics on the abundance of r elements

V. Summary

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Ecole Joliot Curie, Maubuisson 2009

ESPE in $N=20$ isotones and structural changes



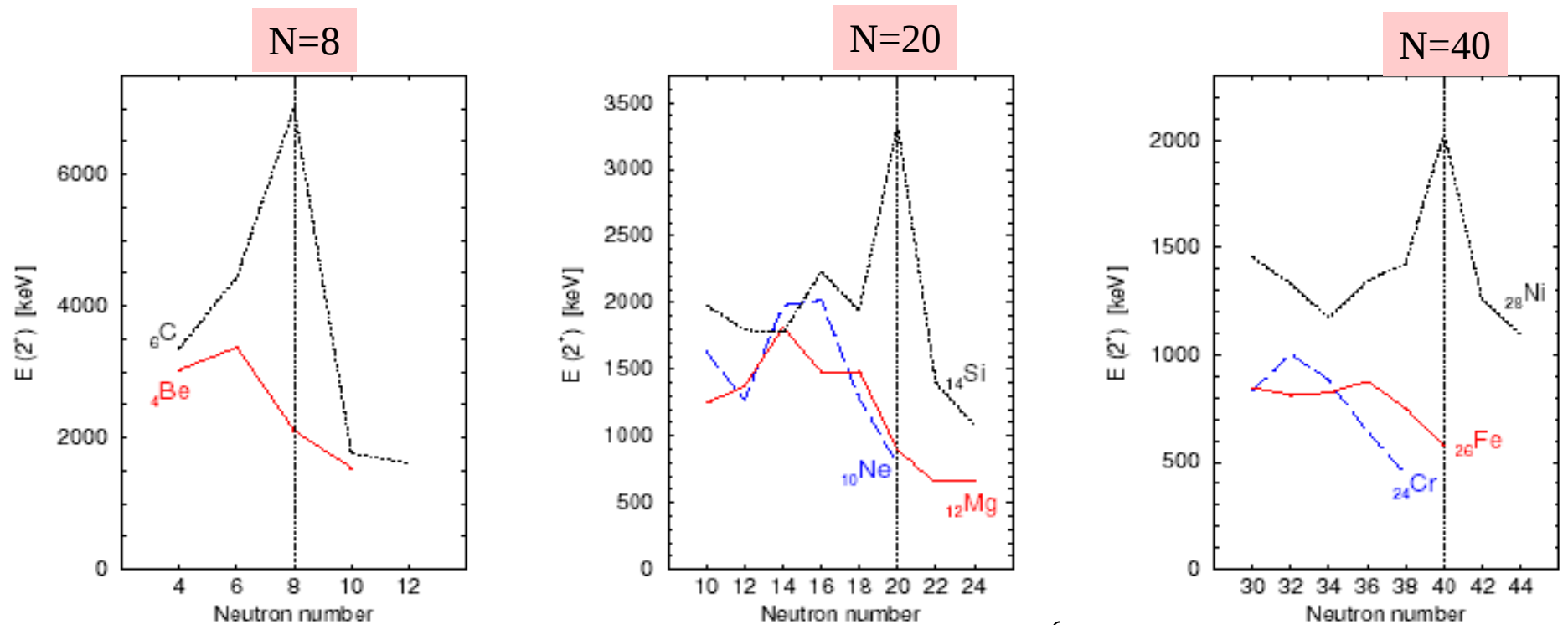
1) ^{28}O unbound ?

2) $N=20$ disappears :
Enhanced cross shell excitations
Low 2^+ , high $B(E2)$

3) Birth of a new magic number at $N=16$

Role of $V^{pn}d_{5/2}d_{3/2}$ to break the $N=20$ shell closure

Great similarity between the three cases of HO shell numbers



Beta decay studies

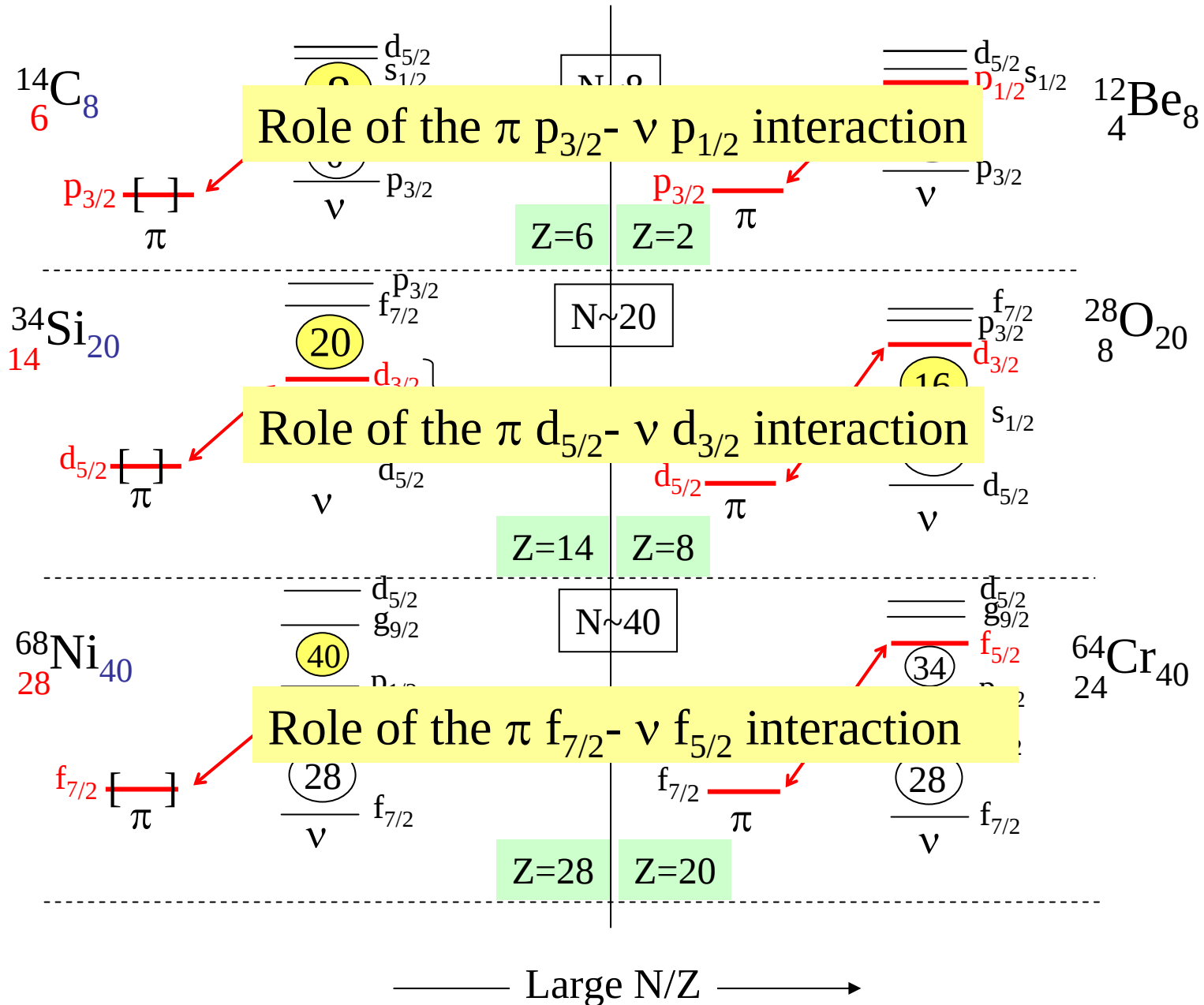
M. Hannawald, PRL 82 (1999) 1391

O. Sorlin et al. EPJA 16 (2003) 55

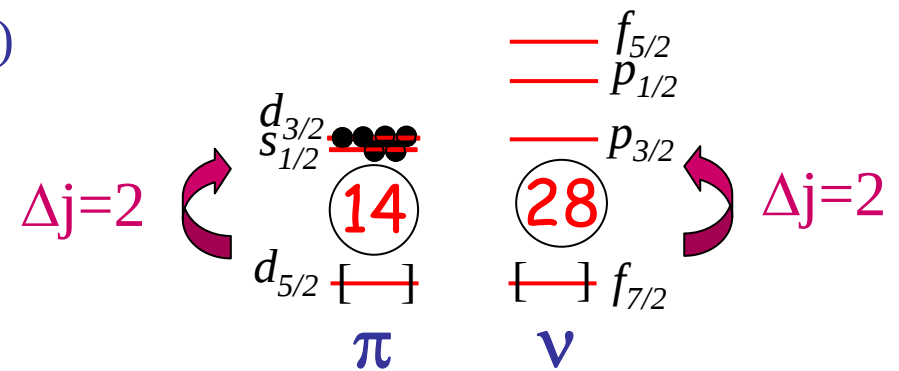
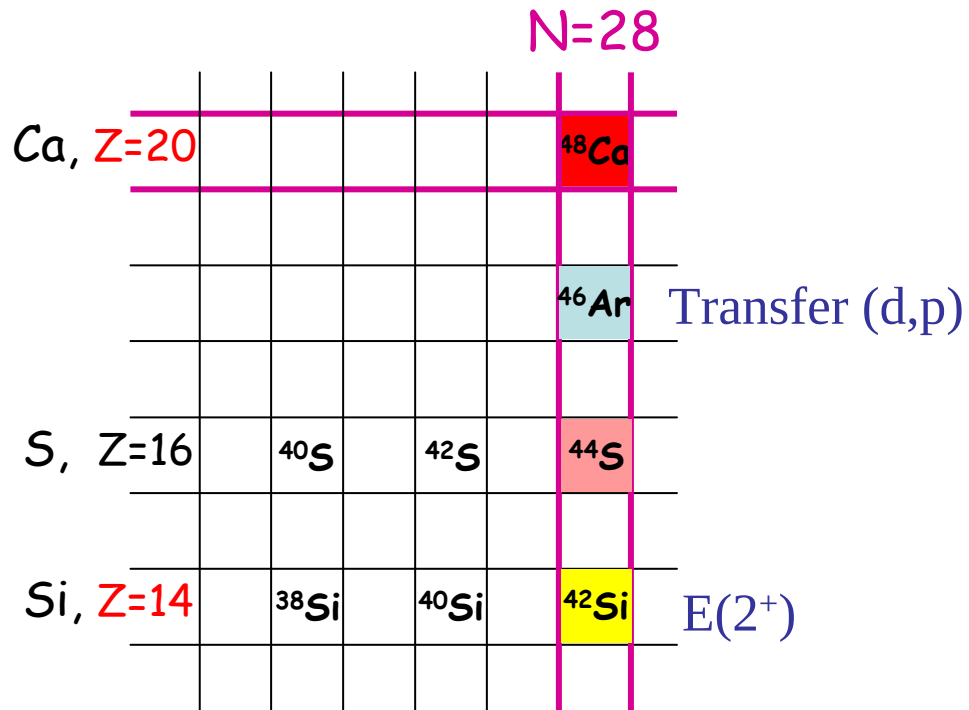
Dramatic change of nuclear structure due to spin-flip pn interaction !
Very robust process...

Evolution of Harmonic Oscillator shell closures

SPIN-FLIP $\Delta\ell=0$ INTERACTION



Study of the N=28 shell closure far from stability



$\pi d_{3/2} - \nu f_{7/2}$, $\pi d_{3/2} - \nu f_{5/2}$ interactions
 $\Delta L=1$

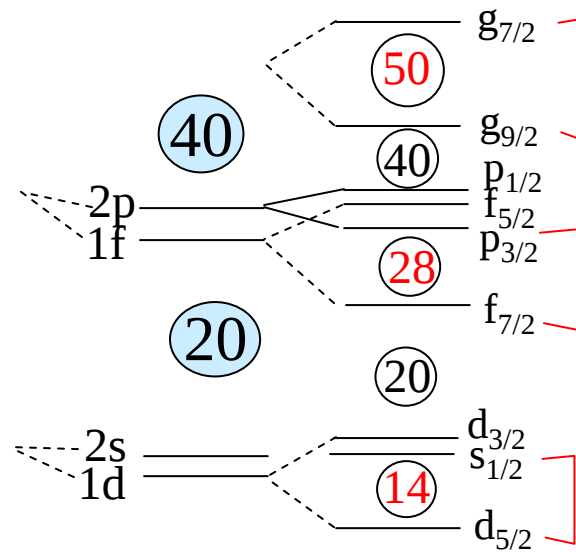
> Role of nuclear forces :
 Modification of the N=28 shell gap ?
 SO and Tensor interactions

➤ Enhanced collectivity due to $\Delta j=2$ /
 reduction of Z=14 at N=28 seen in Part I

The origin of the N=28 shell gap ?

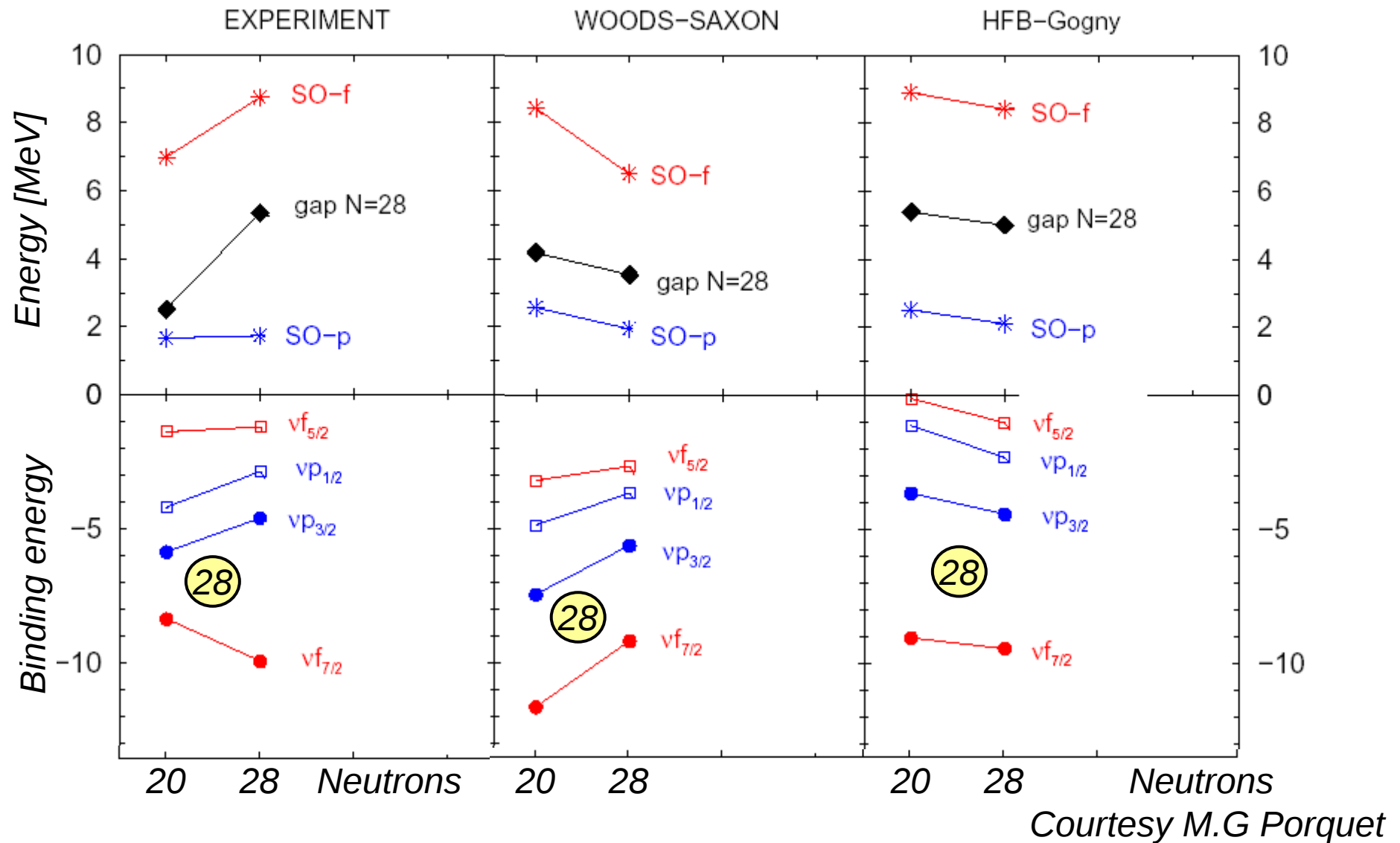
The SO interaction ?

Yes BUT...



$$L^2 + \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S}$$

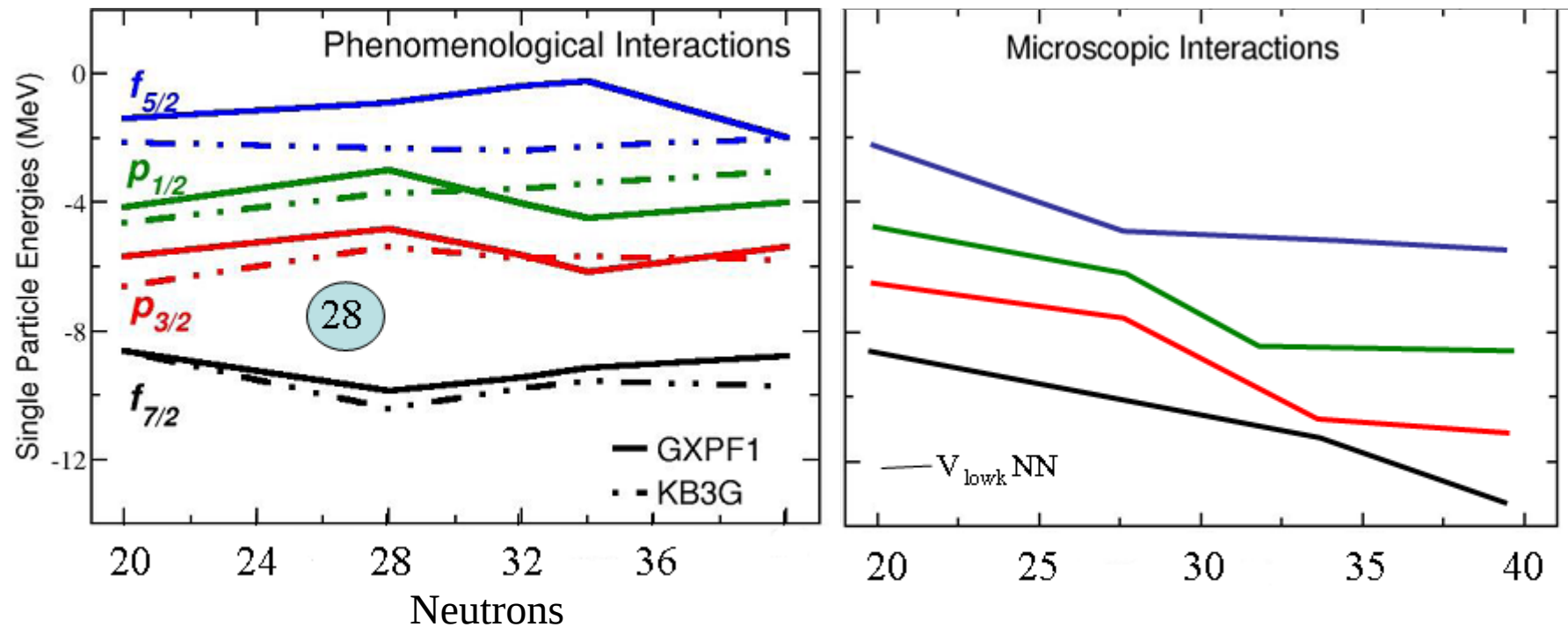
The origin of the $N=28$ shell gap viewed in the Ca chain



No increase of the $N=28$ shell gap when $\nu f_{7/2}$ is filled
 Same with realistic V_{lowK} interaction -> 3 body ? -> which experiment ?

The N=28 shell gap and the role of 3 body forces

Holt, Otsuka... 3 body forces help

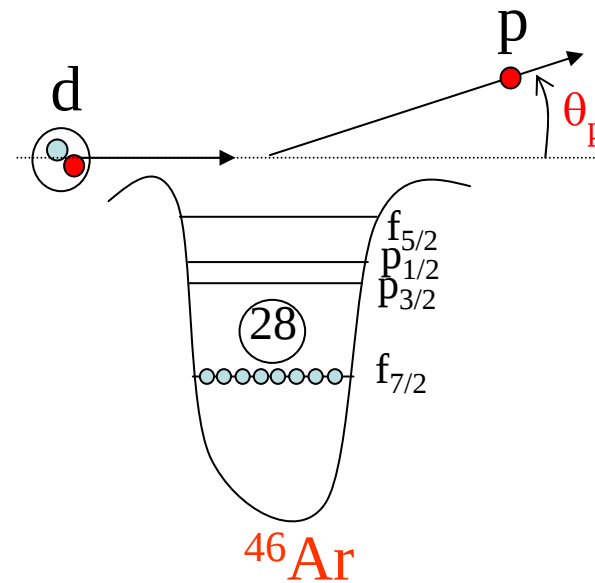
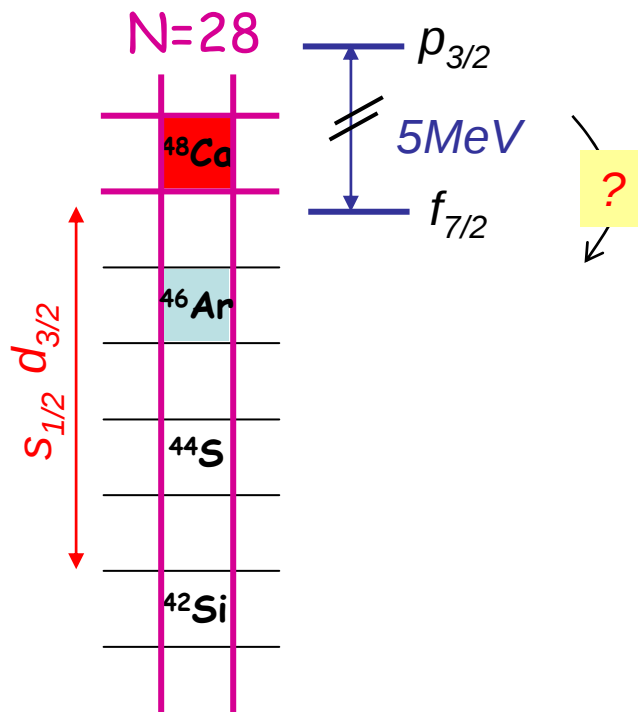


No N=28 shell gap created as well with realistic interactions !

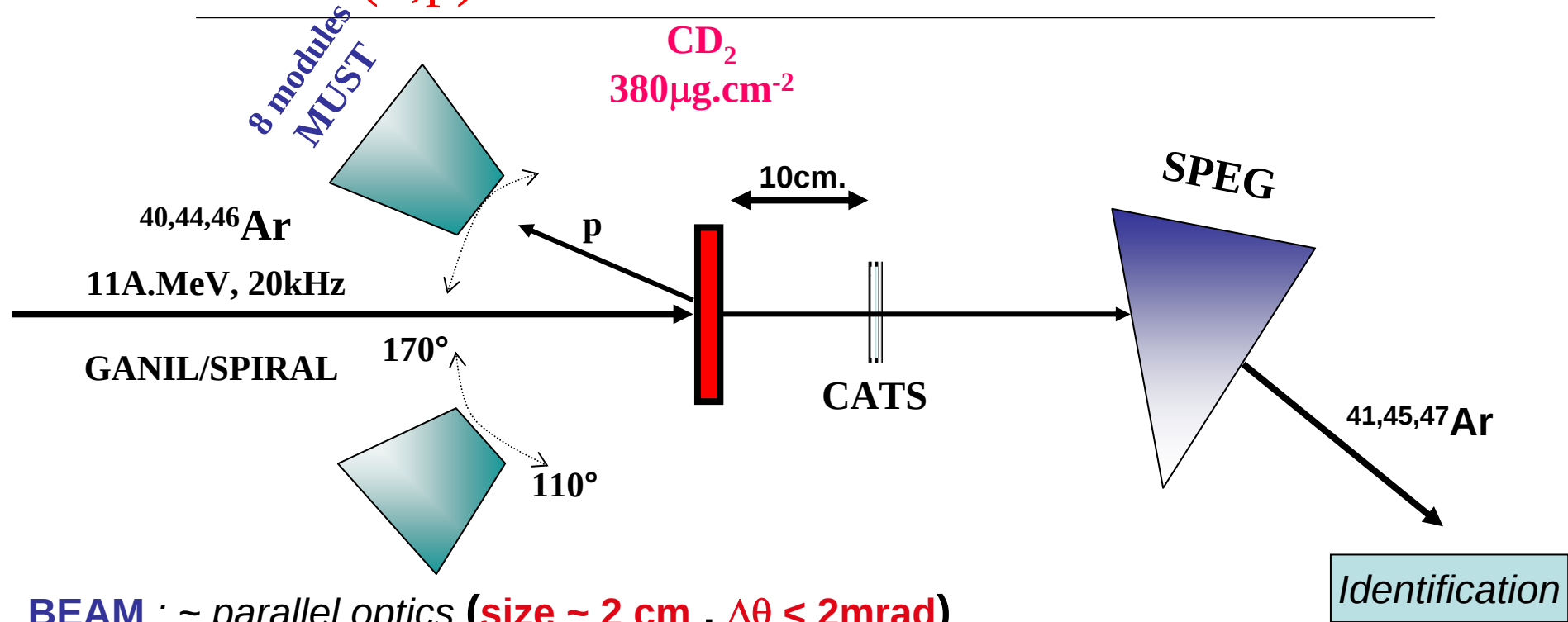


2- Evolution of the N=28 shell gap

→ Use of transfer (d,p) reaction with ^{46}Ar beam



(d,p) reactions with $^{40,44,46}\text{Ar}$ beams



BEAM : ~ parallel optics (**size ~ 2 cm** , $\Delta\theta < 2\text{mrad}$)

CATS : -**beam**-tracking detector

- Proton **emission point**.
resolution : ~1 mm

MUST : -**Si Strip** detector

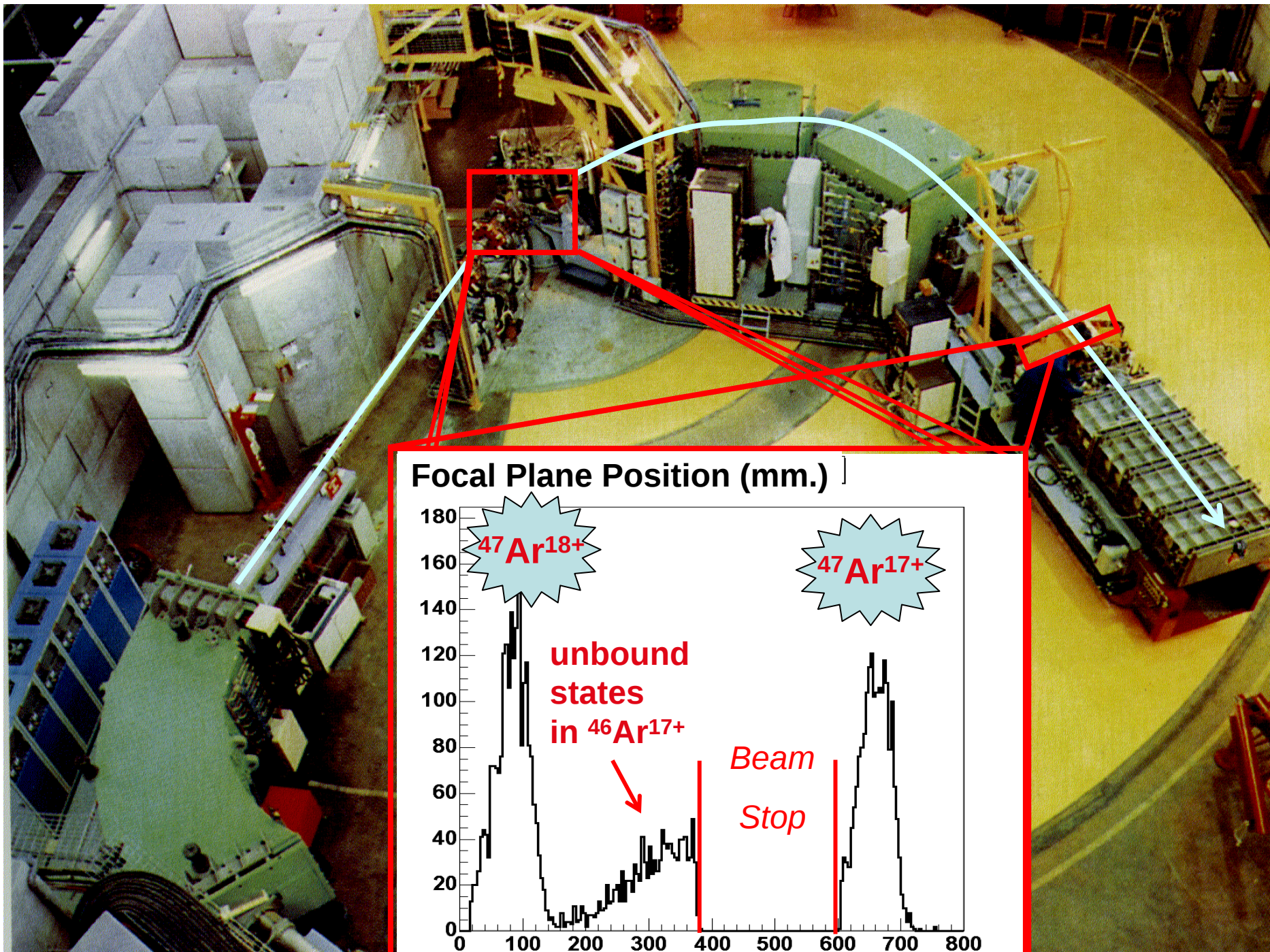
-Proton **impact localisation**

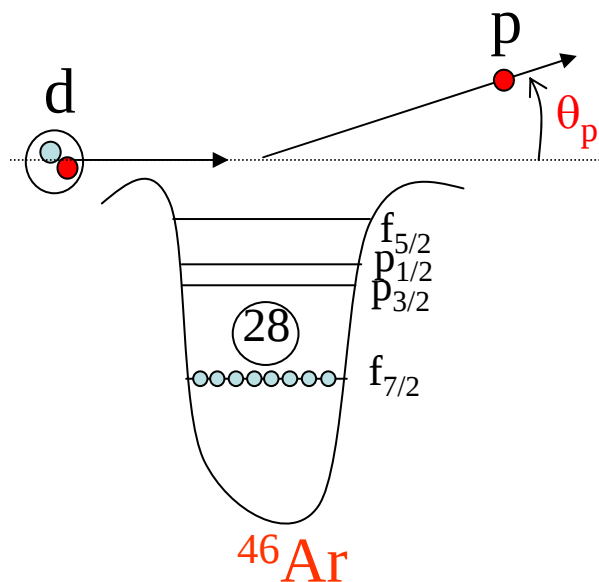
resolution : 1 mm; size 6 x 6 cm^2

-Proton **energy** measurement.

resolution : 50 KeV

SPEG : Energy loss spectrometer : **recoil ion** identification → transfert-like products



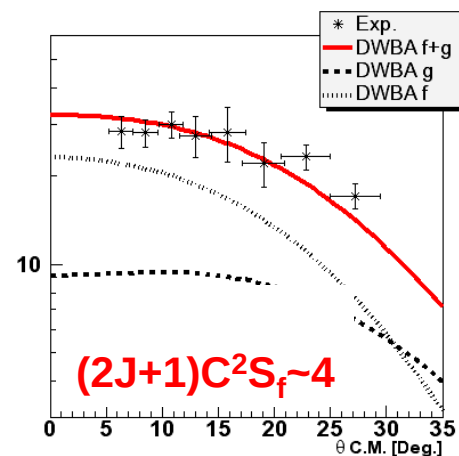
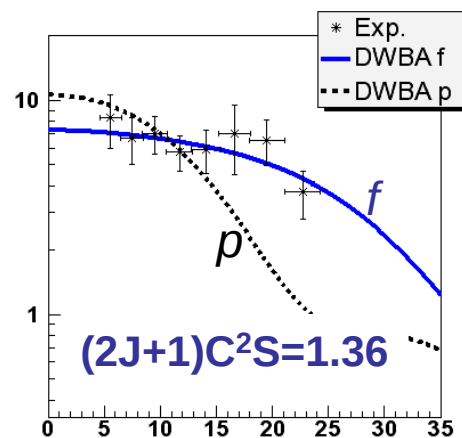
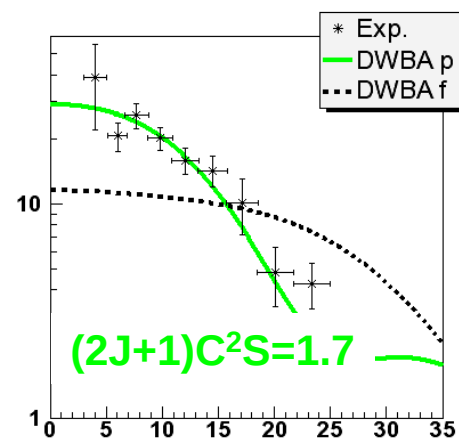
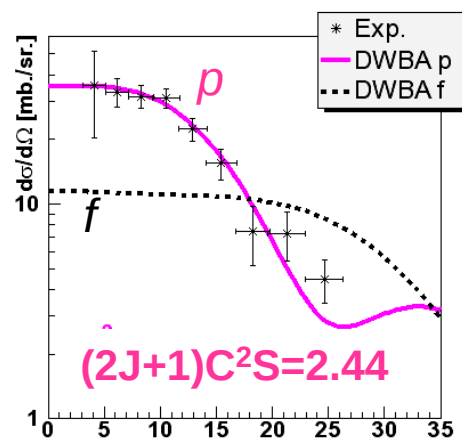
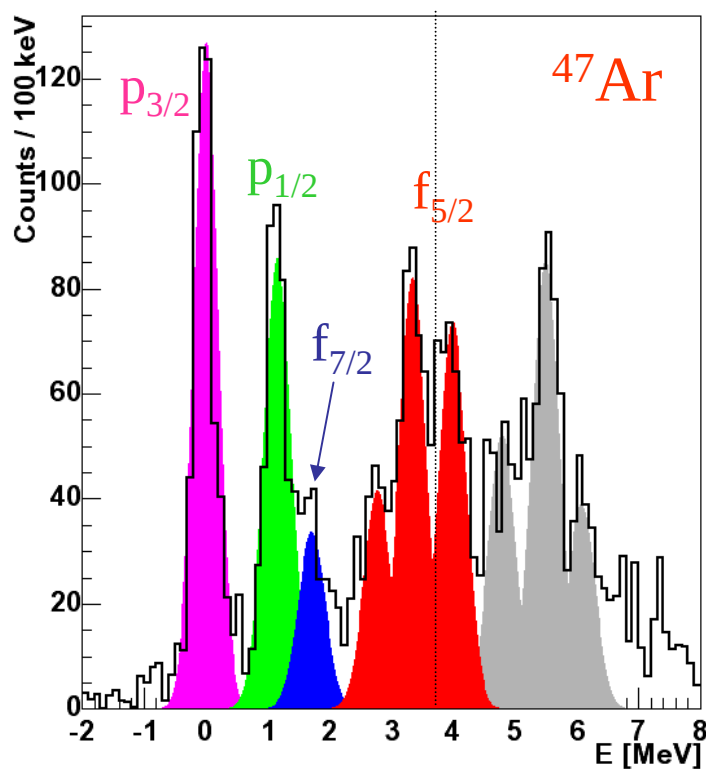


Evolution of the neutron SPE below $^{48}_{20}\text{Ca}$

Use of $^{46}_{18}\text{Ar}$ (d,p) transfer reaction

- Size of the N=28 shell gap : *reduced by 330keV*
- Reduction of SO splitting

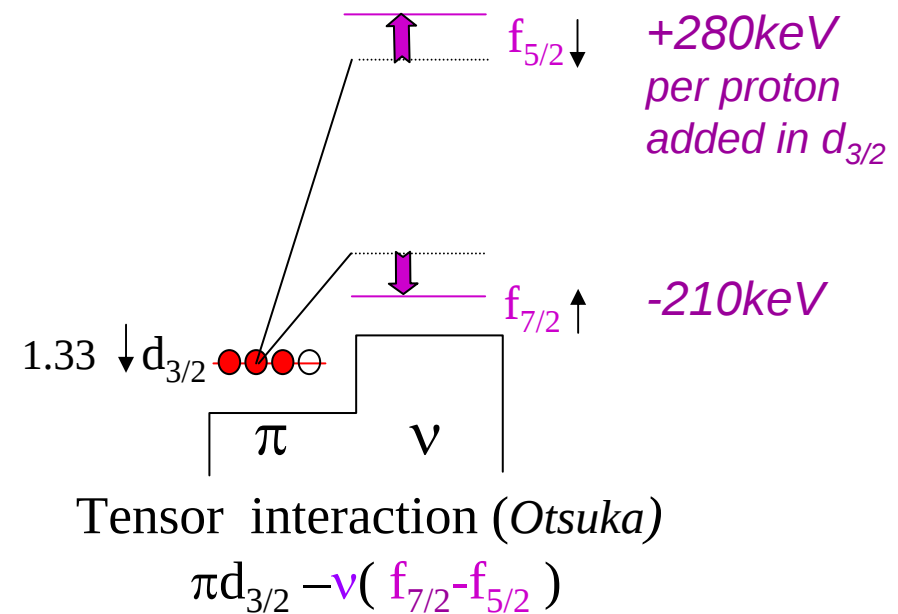
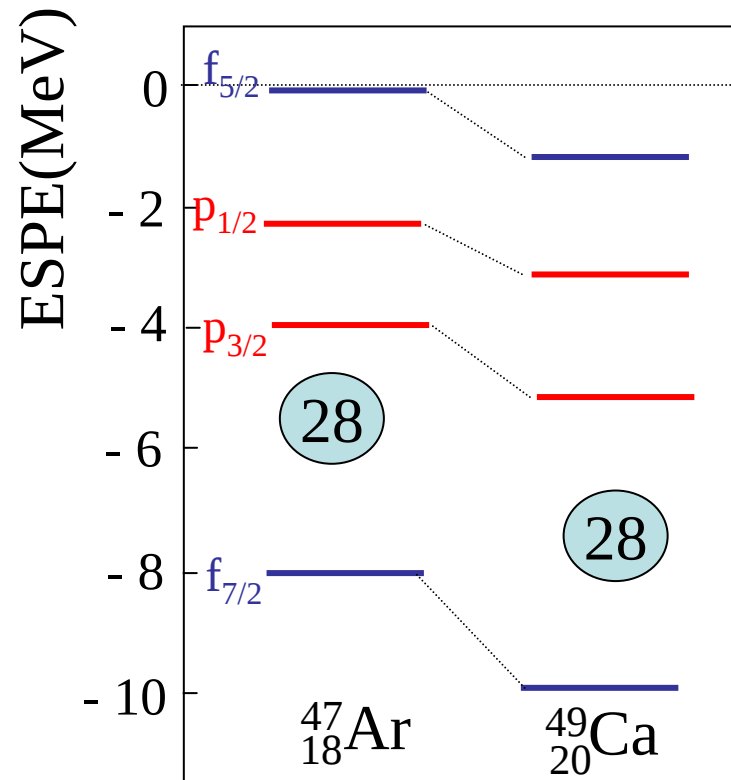
L. Gaudefroy et al. PRL 97 (2006)



Variation of single particle energies (SPE)

-From ^{47}Ar to ^{49}Ca , 2 protons added to $d_{3/2}$ and $s_{1/2}$ equiprobably, i.e. 1.33 ($d_{3/2}$), 0.66 ($s_{1/2}$)

-The $\pi d_{3/2}$ acts differently on $\nu f_{5/2}$ and $\nu f_{7/2}$ orbits $\rightarrow$ tensor forces ?



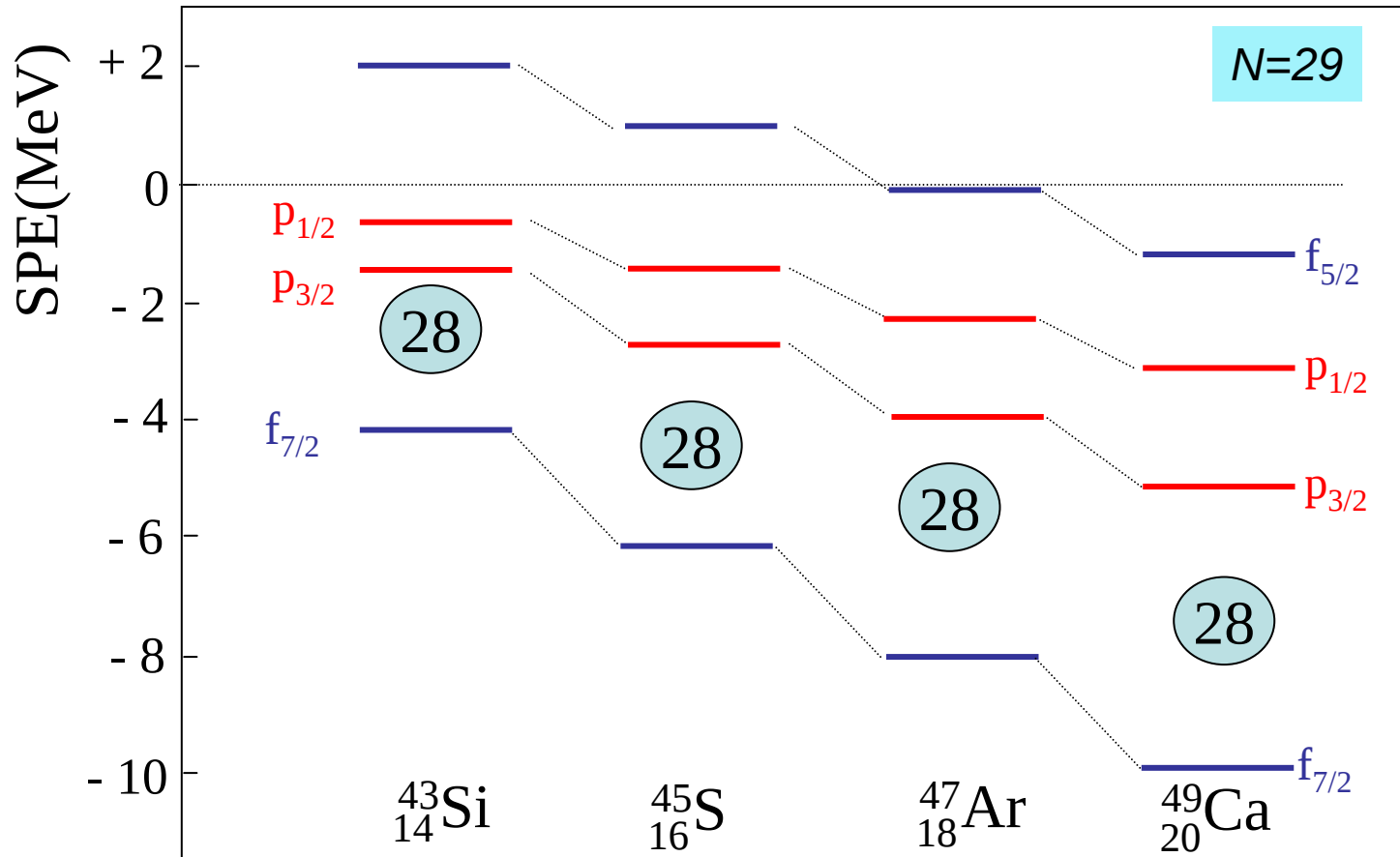
$$\text{Tensor sum rule : } 8 (V^T d_{3/2} f_{7/2}) + 6 (V^T d_{3/2} f_{5/2}) = 0$$

$\rightarrow$ Tensor term $\sim$ 20% of total monopole

$\rightarrow$ Relative intensity between $\downarrow\downarrow$ and $\downarrow\uparrow$ looks similar in Vlow k interactions !

Global trend of single particle energies between ^{49}Ca and ^{43}Si

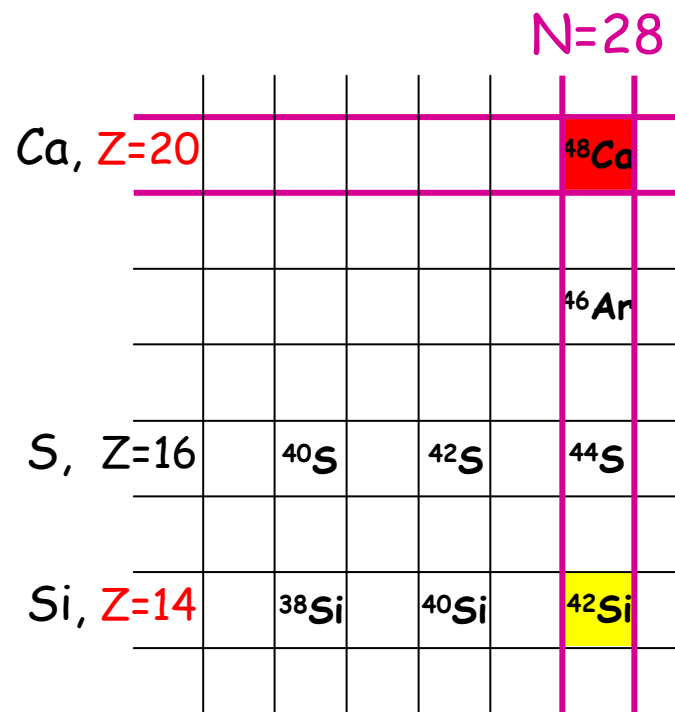
derived from experimentally-constrained monopole variations



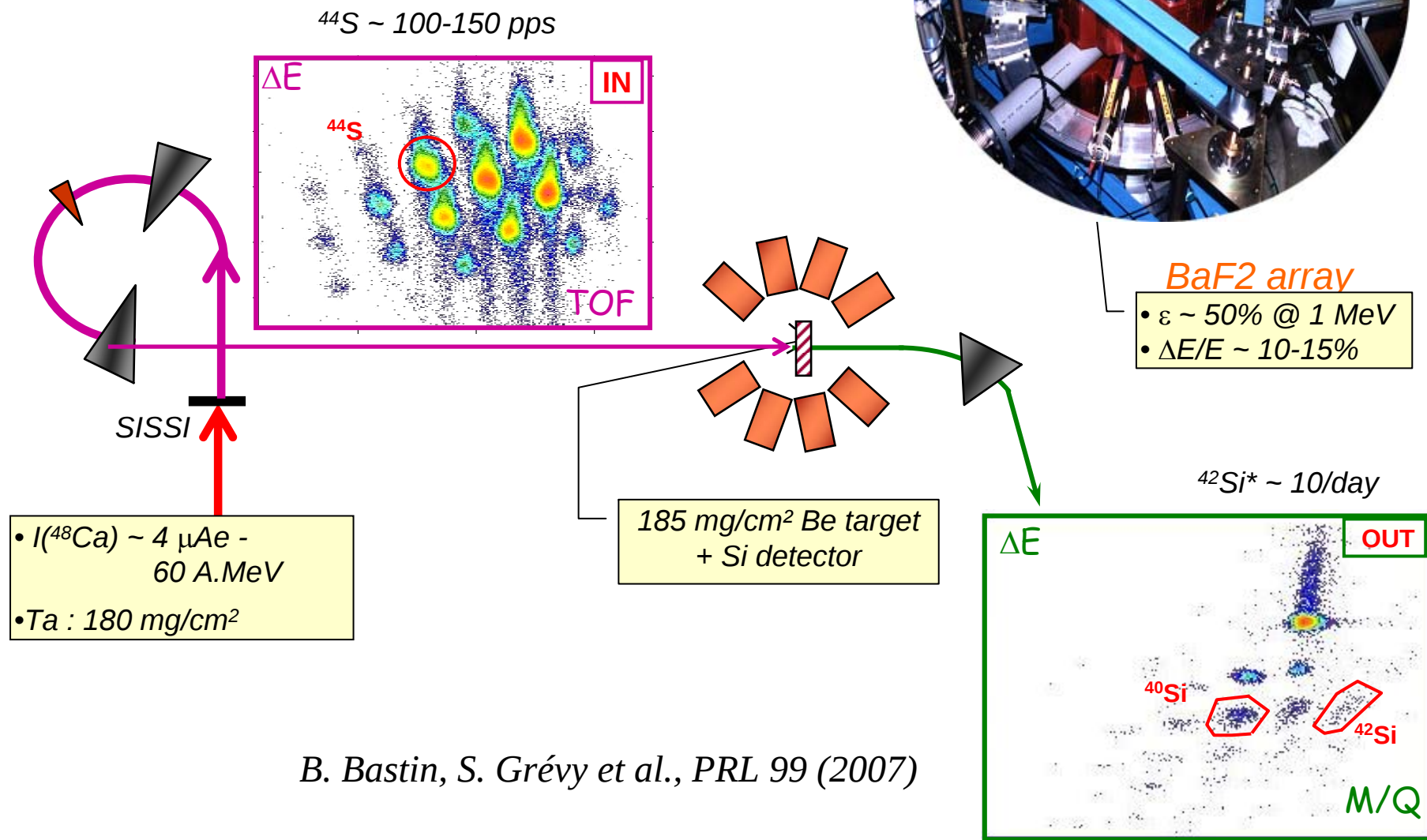
-A shrink of SPE's is occurring gradually when $N \gg Z$ due to two-body p-n interactions...

- Favor particle-hole excitations and E2 collectivity

Deformation at N=28 in ^{42}Si ? Measurement of 2^+ energy

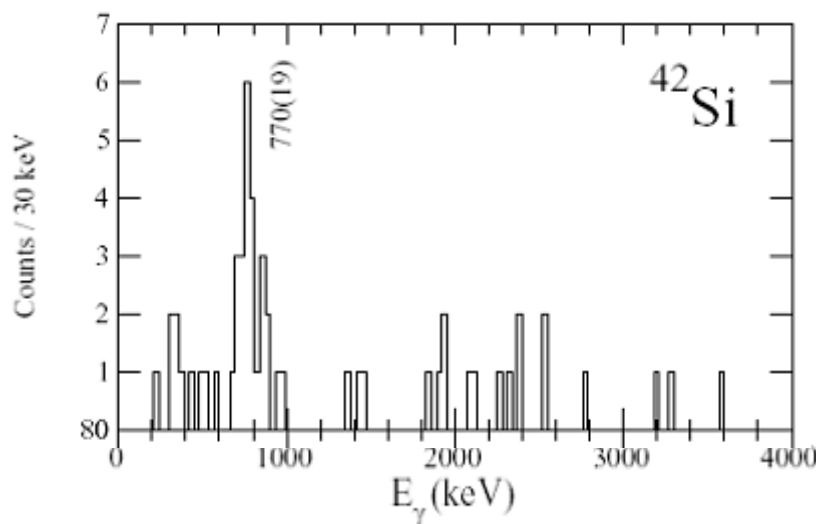


In beam spectroscopy after double step fragmentation : experimental setup

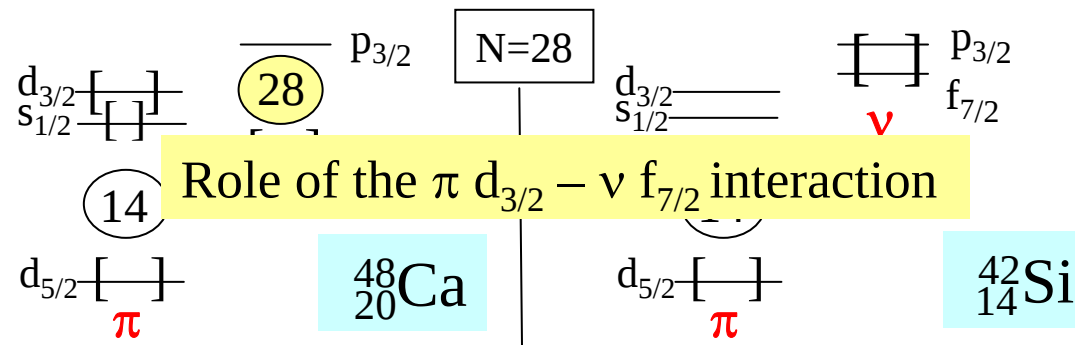
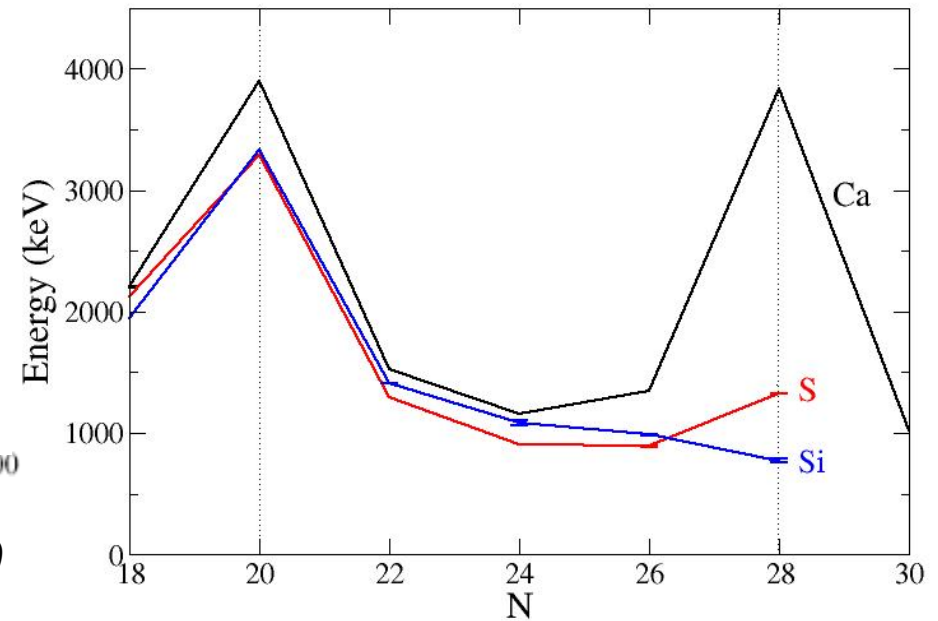


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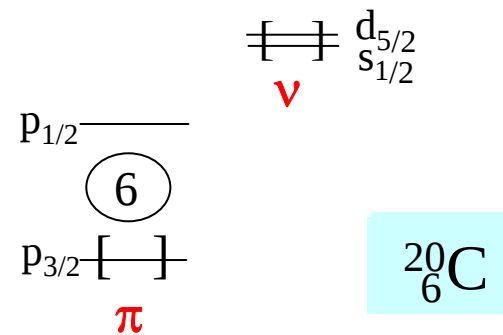
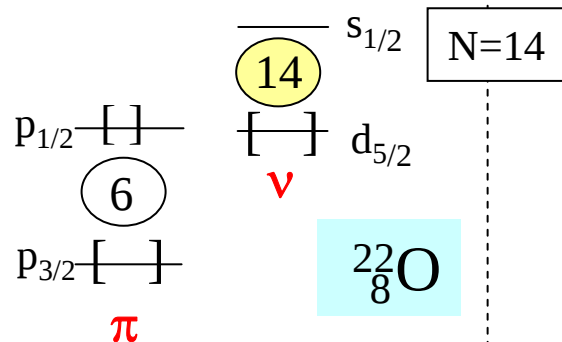
Collapse of the N=28 shell closure in ^{42}Si



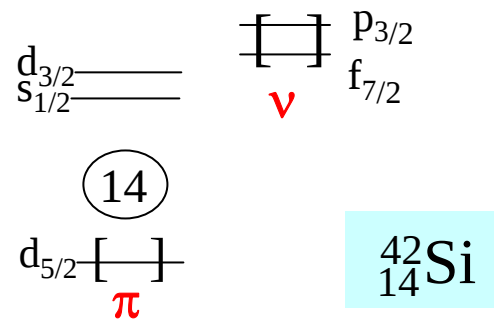
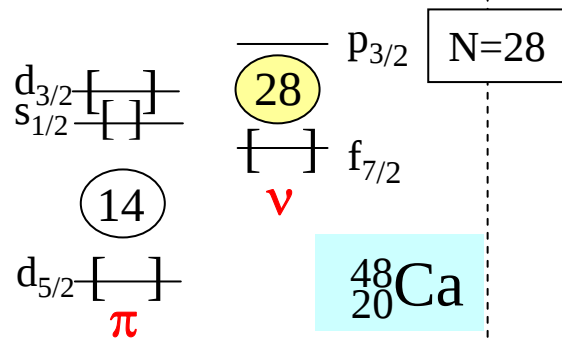
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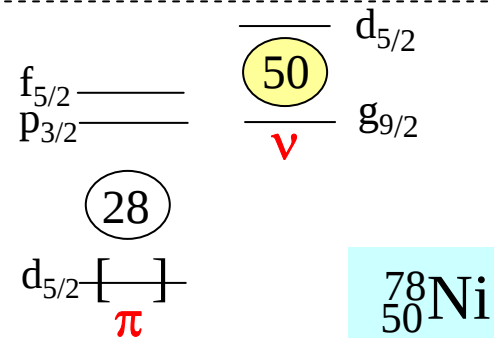
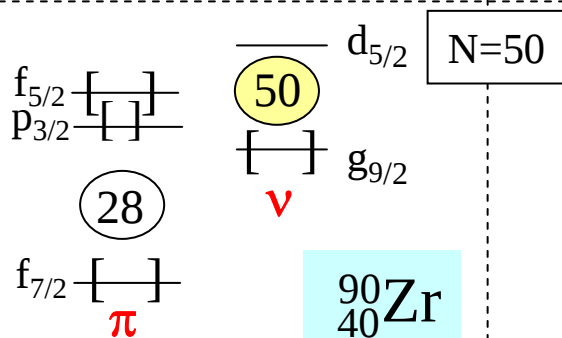
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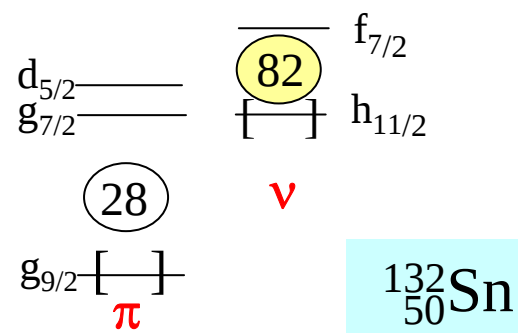
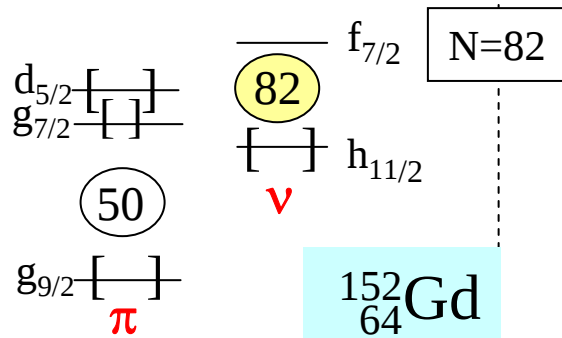
~~N=14~~



~~N=28~~

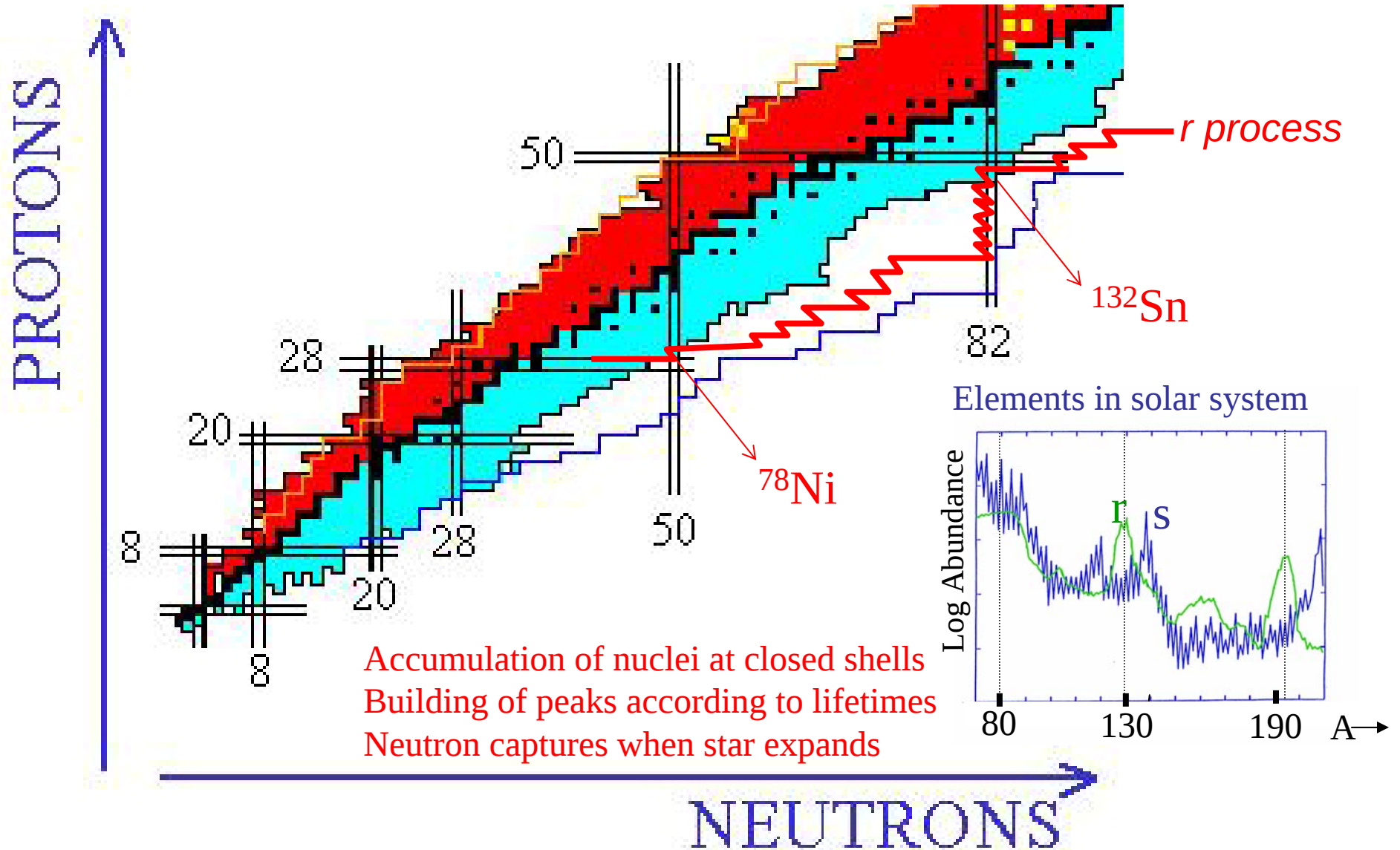


N=50 ??



N=82 strong

Nuclear forces and astrophysics



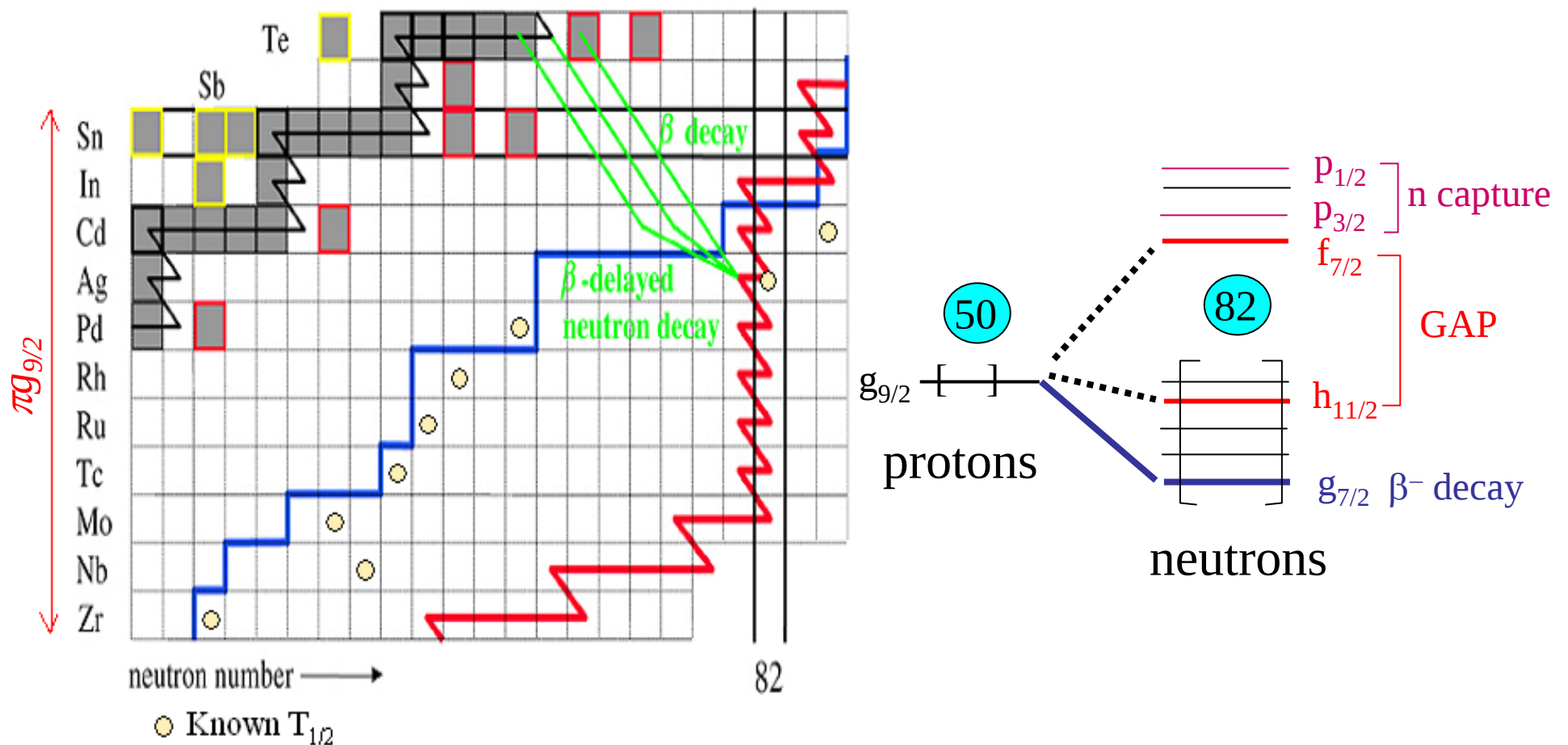
Astrophysical r -process around $N=82$

Evolution of $N=82$ shell gap $\rightarrow$ location of waiting points

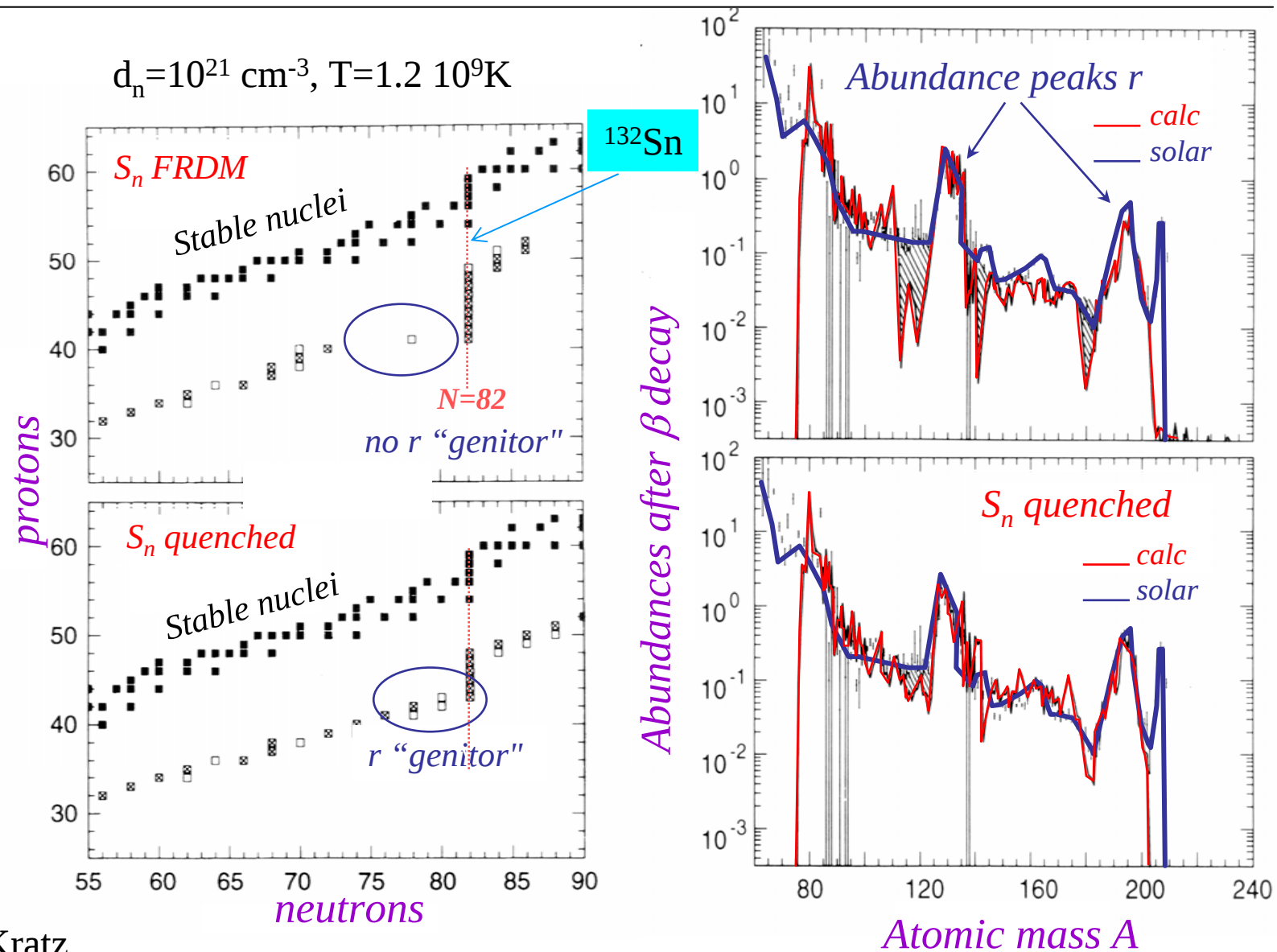
Beta-decay lifetimes (GT decay $\nu g_{7/2} \rightarrow \pi g_{9/2}$) $\rightarrow$ building of r process peaks

$$1/T_{1/2} \approx S_{GT} (Q_{\beta} - E^*)^5$$

Neutron capture rates (p states) $\rightarrow$ smearing of r abundance peaks while freeze-out



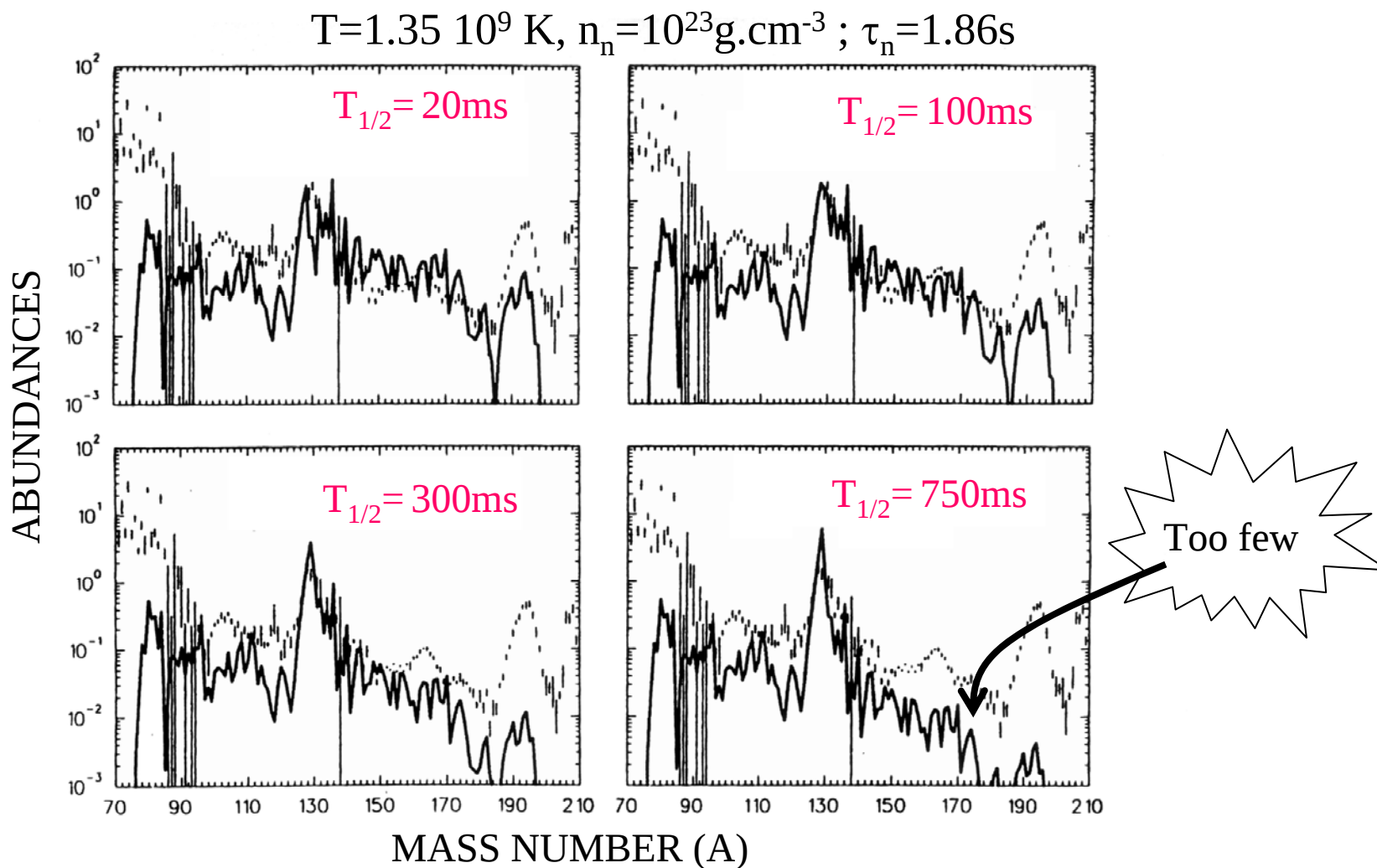
Sensitivity of nuclear structure at N=82 on the r abundance curve



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Shape of the abundance peak depends strongly on the behaviour of the N=82 shell

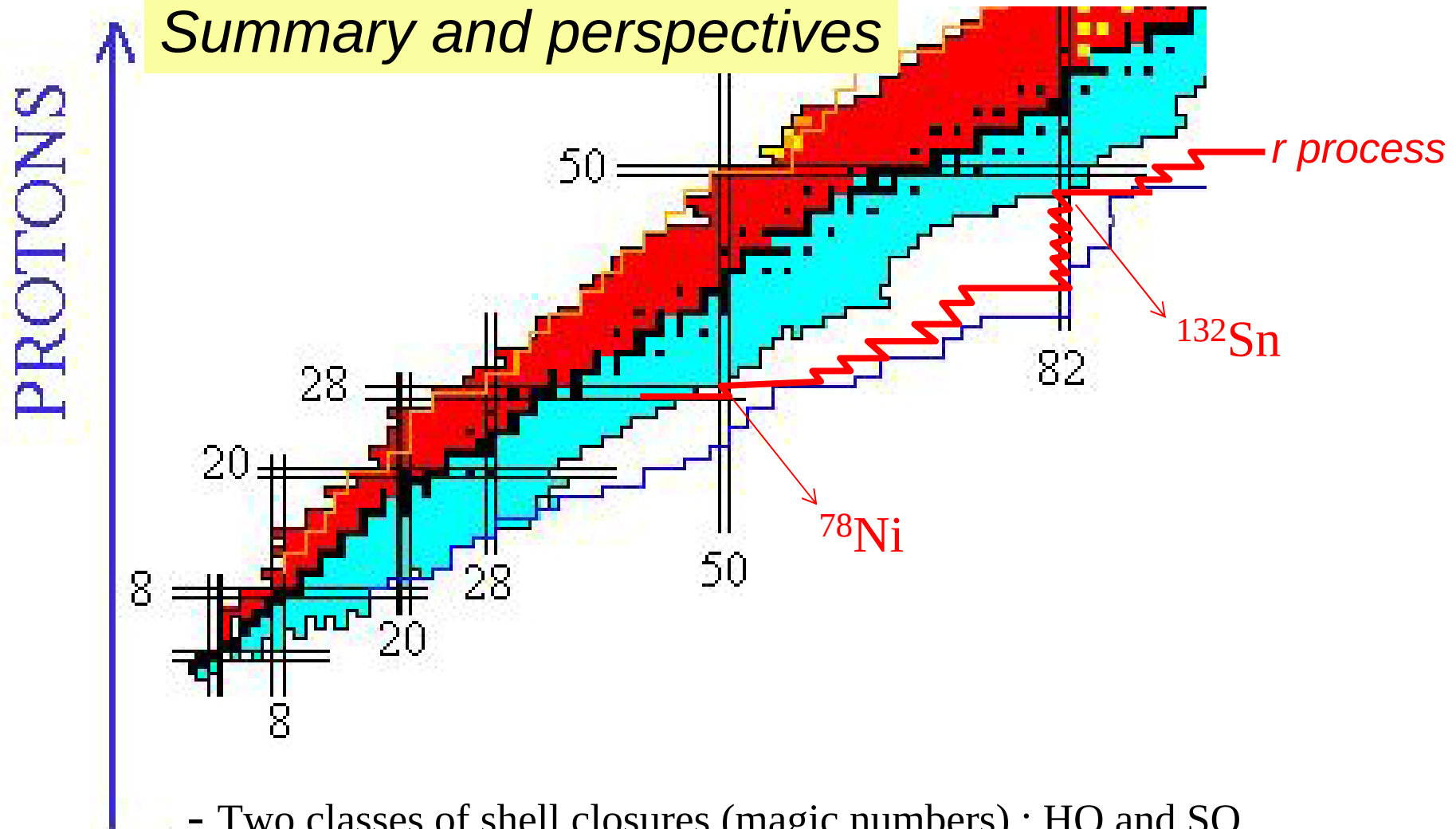
Influence of the $N \approx 82$ Cd, Ag lifetimes on the $A=130$ peak



Shape of r peak at $A=130$; constraint to produce heavier $A > 130$ elements

K. L. Kratz, Nucl. Phys. A 630(98)352c

Summary and perspectives



- Two classes of shell closures (magic numbers) : HO and SO
- Proton-neutron interactions usually act to modify them !!!
- Takes root in NN bare forces – link with in-medium forces in progress
- Link between astrophysical r process and nuclear forces
- Are extrapolation to superheavies or unknown regions reliable ?