

# Gamow-Teller Transitions in $p$ -, $sd$ -, and $pf$ -shell Nuclei

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**GT** : Important weak response, simple  $\sigma\tau$  operator

✧ Representing “Spin Isospin” response of nuclei.

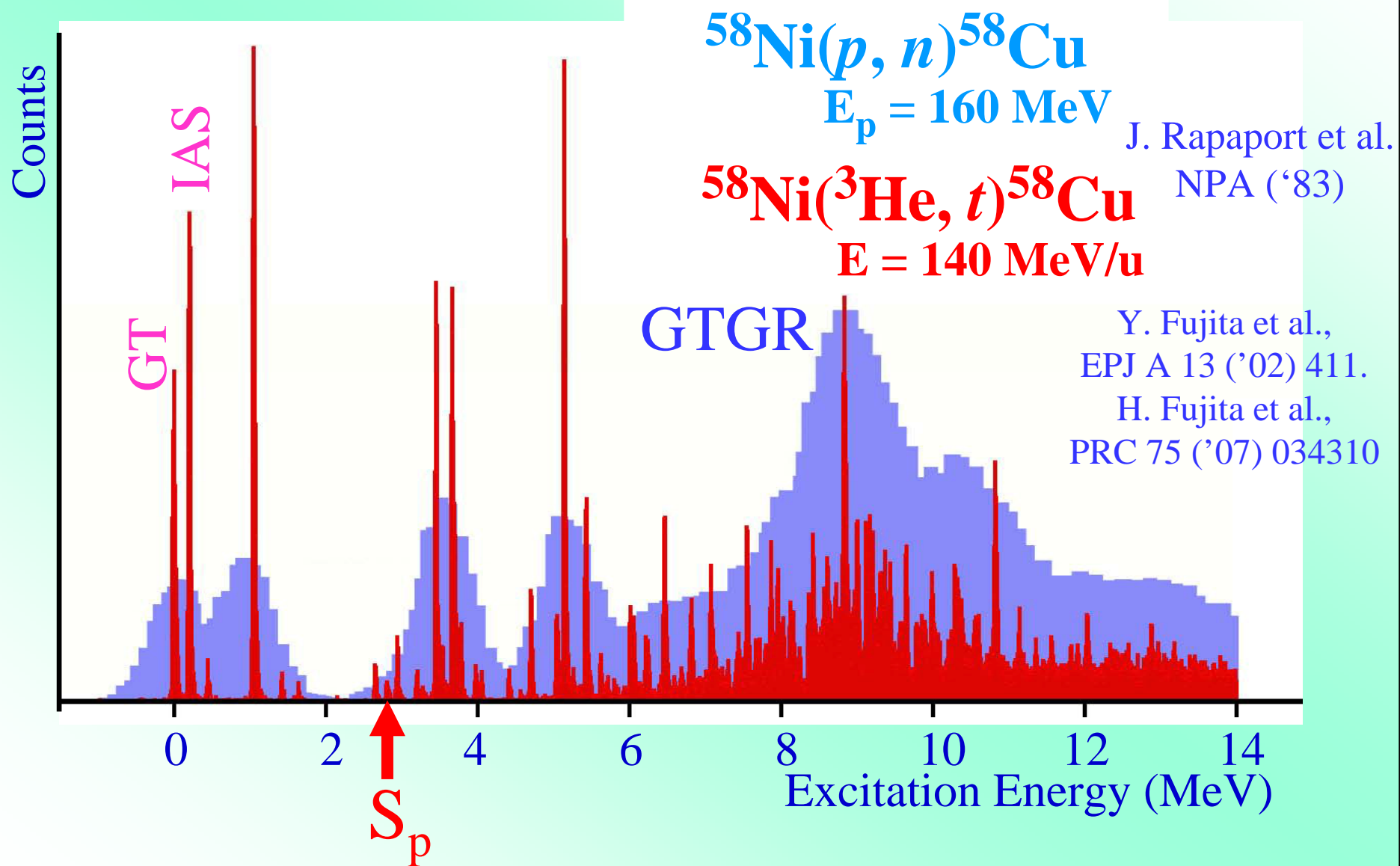
They are unique quantum numbers in Atomic Nuclei.

✧ Good Probe to study the Key Part of the Nuclear Structure.

✧ Astrophysical Interest.

✧ Studied by  $\beta$  decay and Charge-Exchange reactions

# Comparison of (p, n) and (<sup>3</sup>He, t) 0° spectra



# Properties of GT transitions

Caused by the  $\sigma\tau$  operator : a simple operator !

1)  $|i\rangle$  and  $|f\rangle$  states should have similar spatial shapes.

- there is no space-type operator -

2)  $\sigma$  operator: states with  $j_i >$  and  $j_f <$  configurations are connected.

## Selection Rules

$$|\Delta J| = 0, 1$$

3)  $\tau$  operator: isospin quantum number  $T$  plays an important role (isospin selection rule)

$$|\Delta T| = 0, 1$$

→ GT transitions are sensitive to Nuclear Structure !

→ GT transitions in each nucleus are UNIQUE !

# \*\*Basic common understanding of $\beta$ -decay and Charge-Exchange reaction

$\beta$  decays :

Absolute  $B(\text{GT})$  values,

but usually the study is limited to low-lying state

$(^3\text{He},t)$  reaction at  $0^\circ$  :

Relative  $B(\text{GT})$  values, but **Highly Excited States**

\*\* Both are important for the study of GT transitions!

# $\beta$ -decay & Nuclear Reaction

\* $\beta$ -decay GT tra. rate =  $\frac{1}{t_{1/2}} = f \frac{\lambda^2}{K} B(\text{GT})$

$B(\text{GT})$  : reduced GT transition strength  
 $\propto (\text{matrix element})^2 = |\langle f | \sigma \tau | i \rangle|^2$

\*Nuclear (CE) reaction rate (cross-section)  
= reaction mechanism

⊗ operator

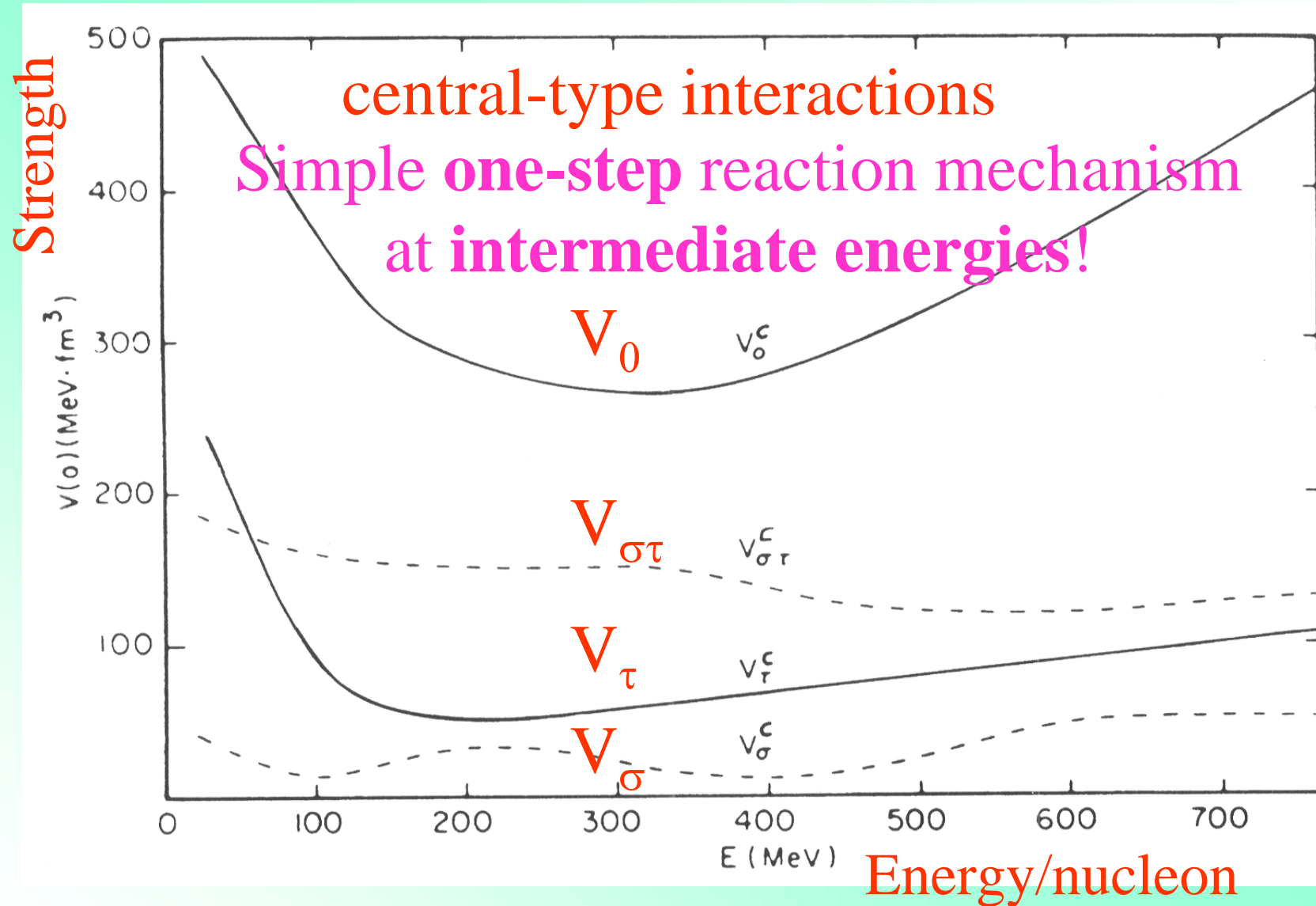
⊗ structure

$= (\text{matrix element})^2$

\*At intermediate energies ( $100 < E_{\text{in}} < 500$  MeV)

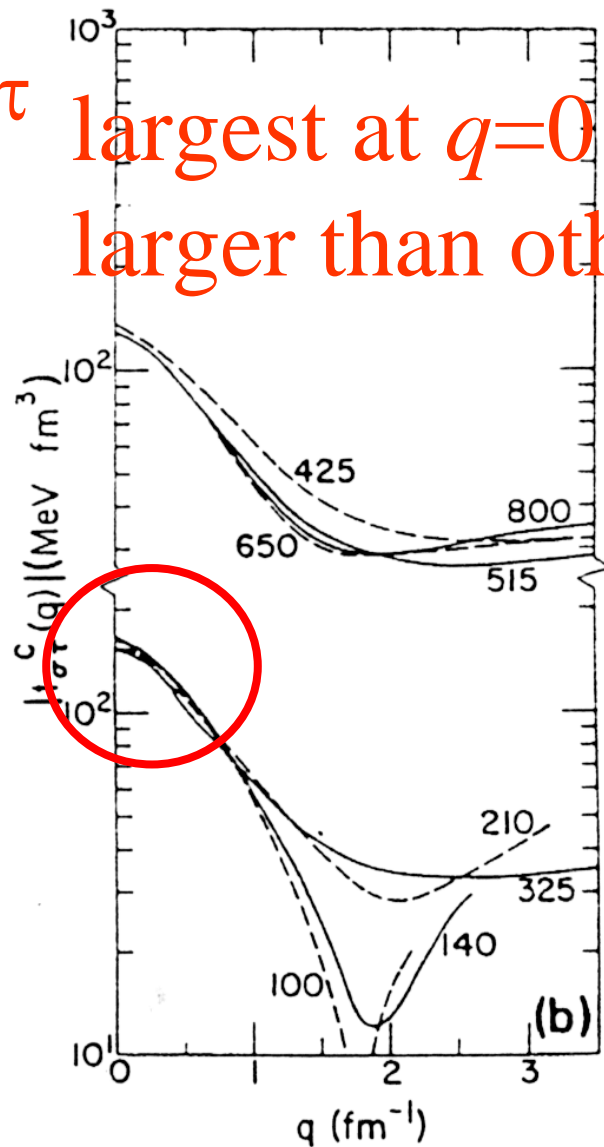
→  $d\sigma/d\omega(q=0)$  : proportional to  $B(\text{GT})$

# Nucleon-Nucleon Int. : $E_{in}$ dependence at $q=0$

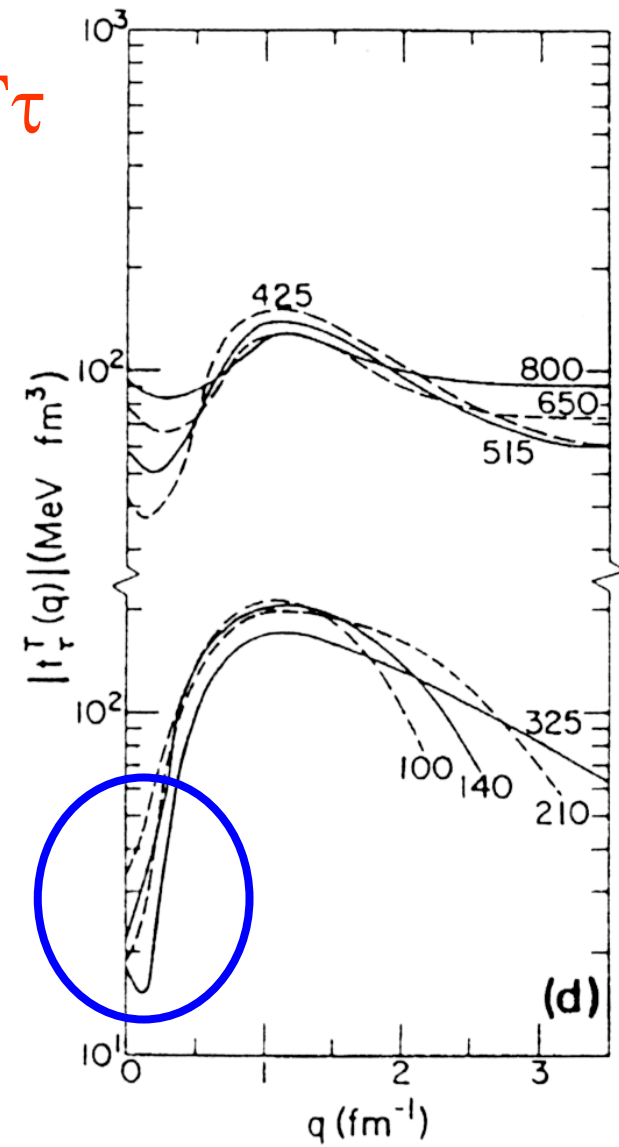


# N.-N. Int. : $\sigma\tau$ & Tensor- $\tau$ $q$ -dependence

$\sigma\tau$  largest at  $q=0$  !  
larger than others !



$T\tau$



Love & Franey PRC 24 ('81) 1073

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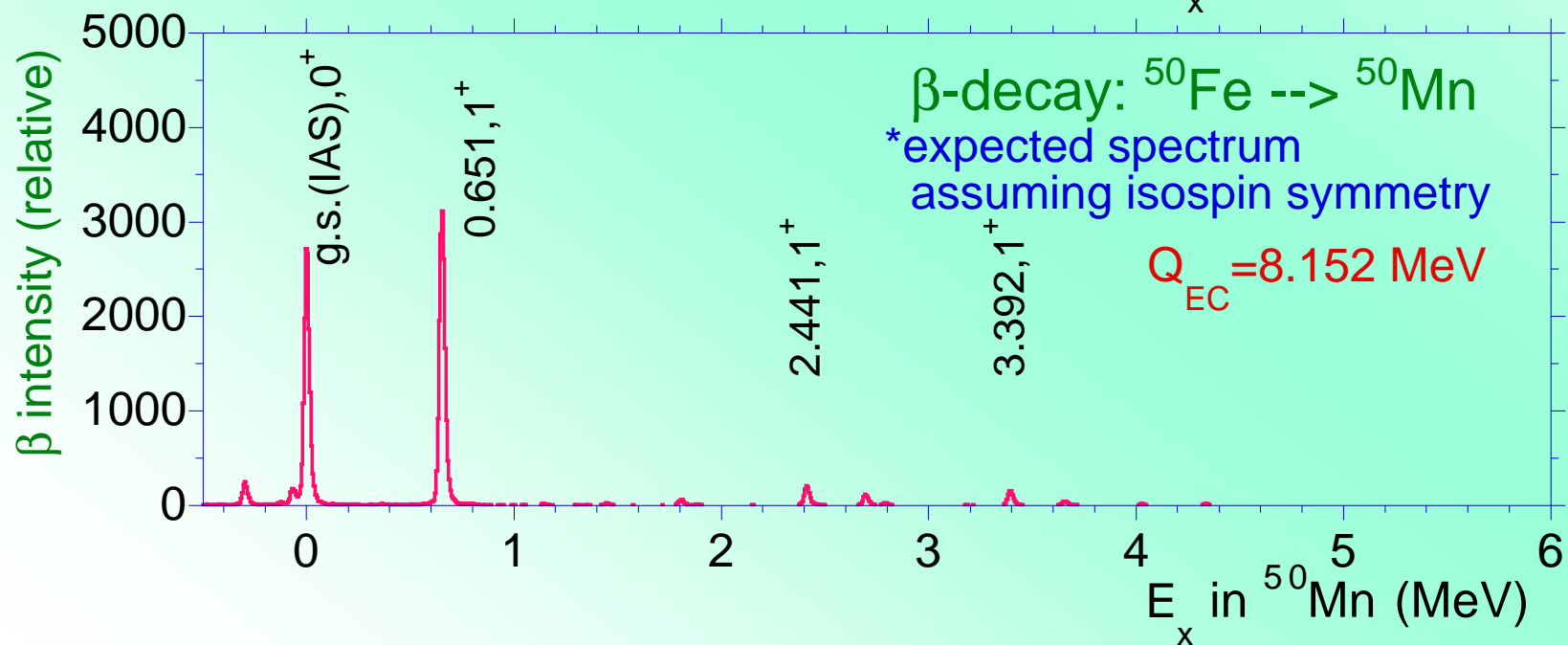
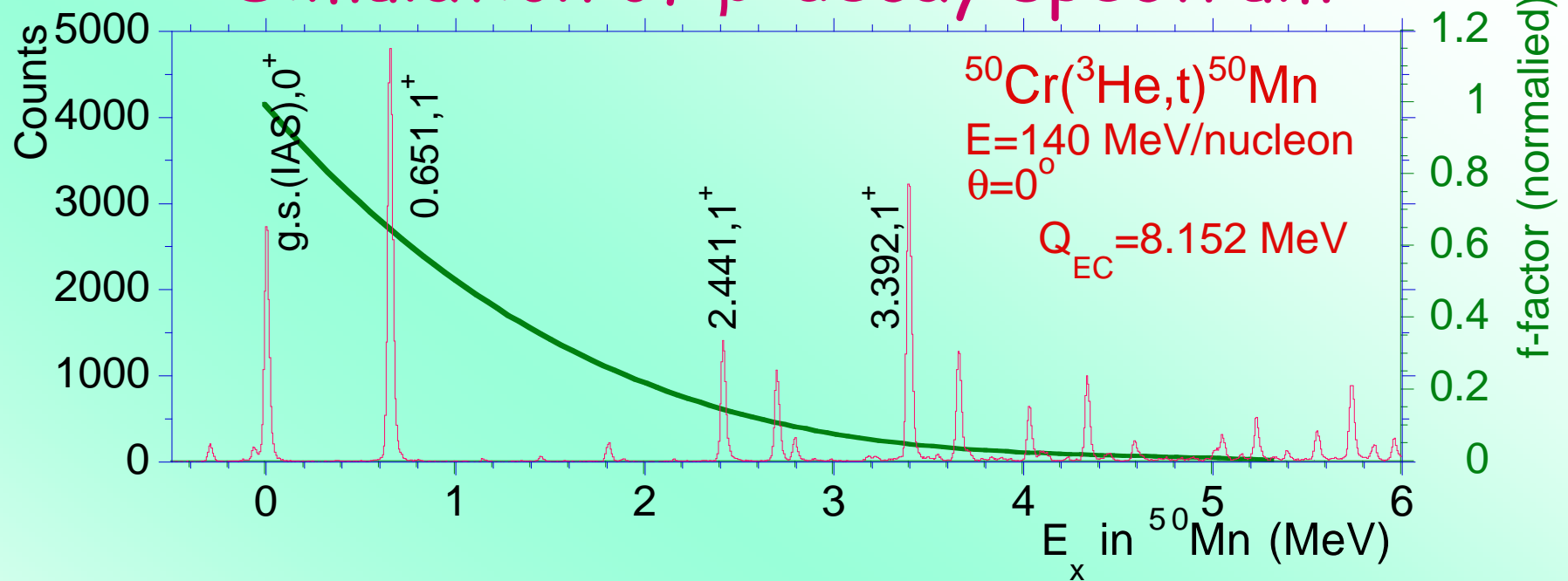
=(matrix element)<sup>2</sup>

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# Simulation of $\beta$ -decay spectrum



# Comparison of (p, n) and ( $^3\text{He}, t$ ) $0^\circ$ spectra

$^{58}\text{Ni}(p, n)^{58}\text{Cu}$

$E_p = 160 \text{ MeV}$

J. Rapaport et al.

$^{58}\text{Ni}(^3\text{He}, t)^{58}\text{Cu}$

NPA ('83)

$E = 140 \text{ MeV/u}$

GTGR

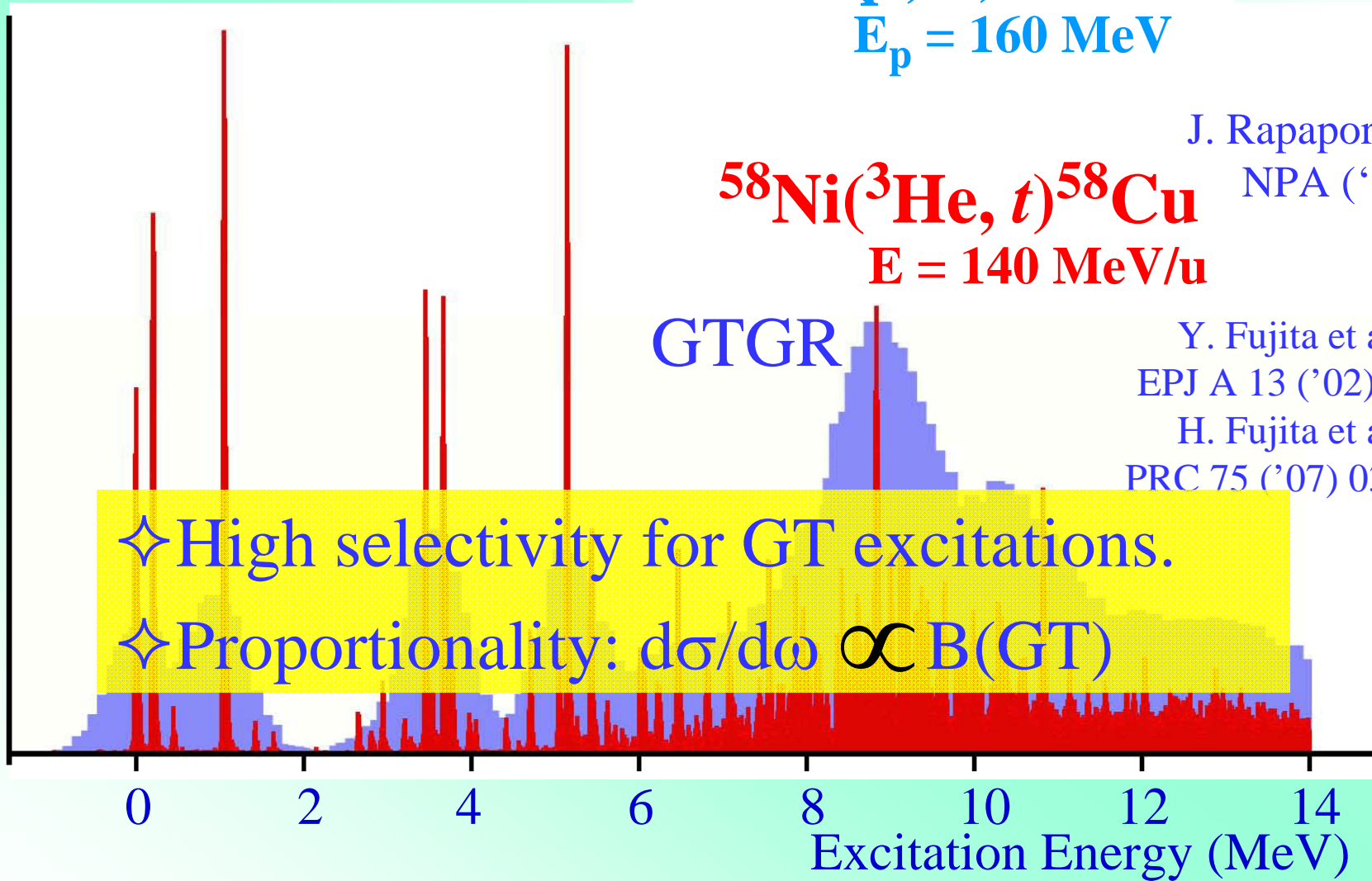
Y. Fujita et al.,

EPJ A 13 ('02) 411.

H. Fujita et al.,

PRC 75 ('07) 034310

Counts



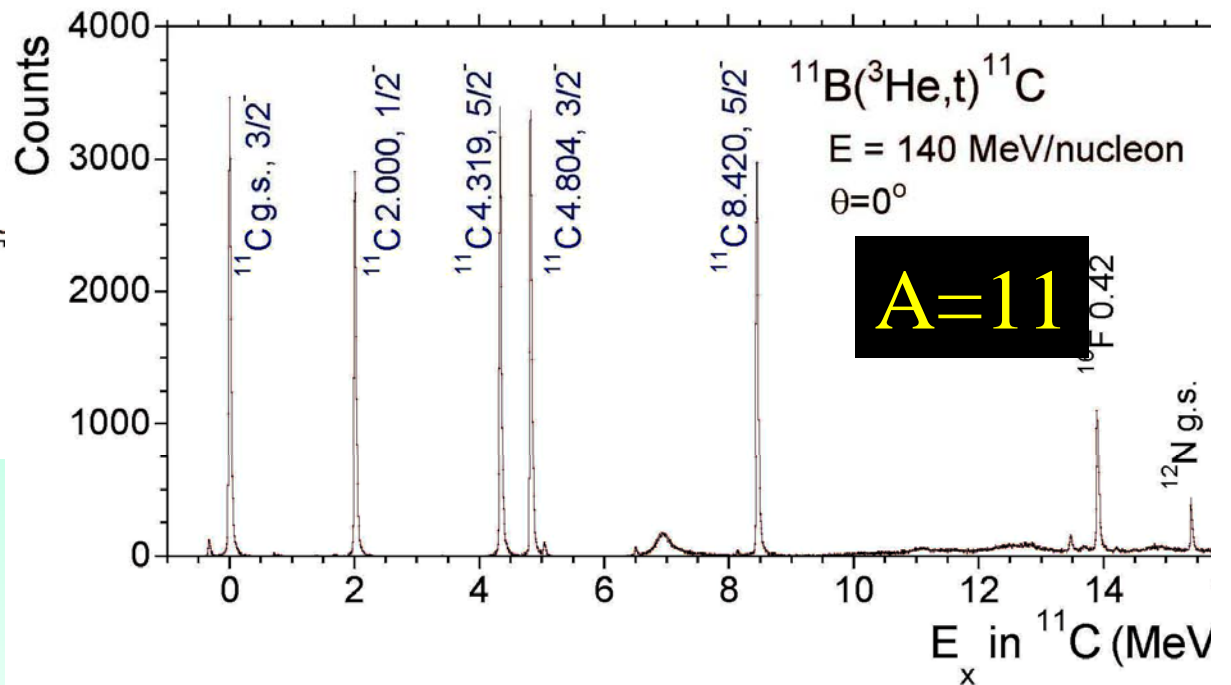
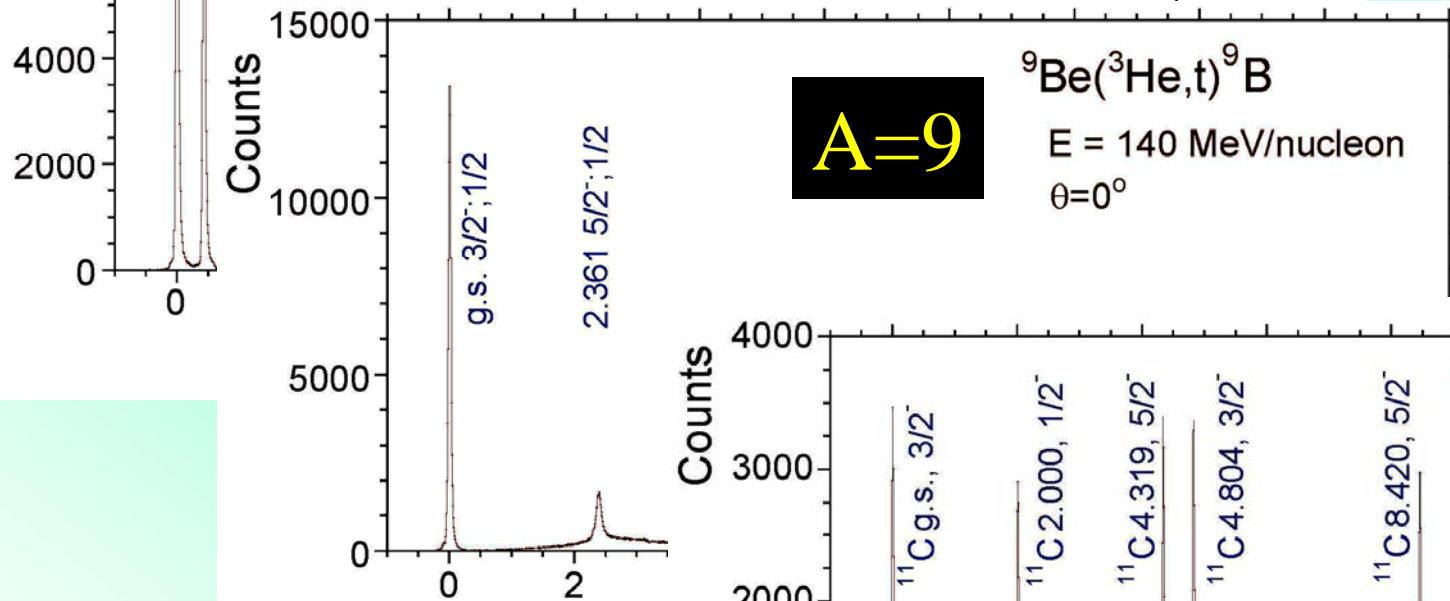
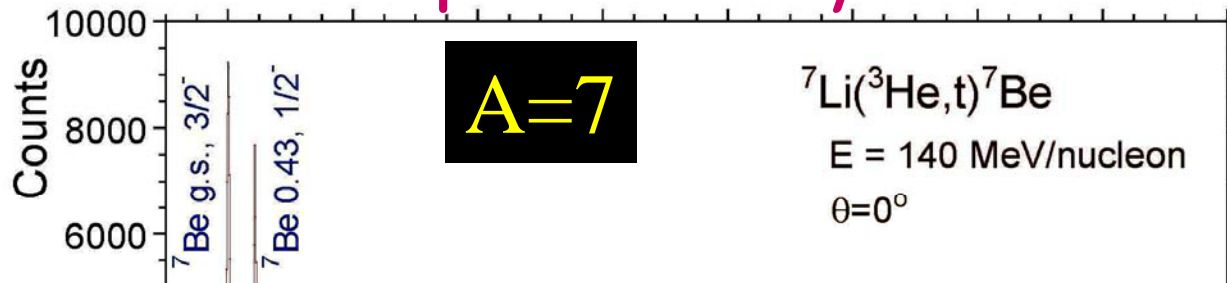
✧ High selectivity for GT excitations.

✧ Proportionality:  $d\sigma/d\omega \propto B(\text{GT})$

**\*\*GT transitions in each nucleus are  
UNIQUE!**

**\*( $^3\text{He},t$ ): high resolution and sensitivity !**

# Spectra of $p$ -shell $T_z=1/2$ Nuclei



# Relationship: Decay and Width

Heisenberg's Uncertainty Principle

$$\Delta x \cdot \Delta p \approx \hbar$$

$$\Delta t \cdot \Delta E \approx \hbar$$

Width  $\Gamma = \Delta E$

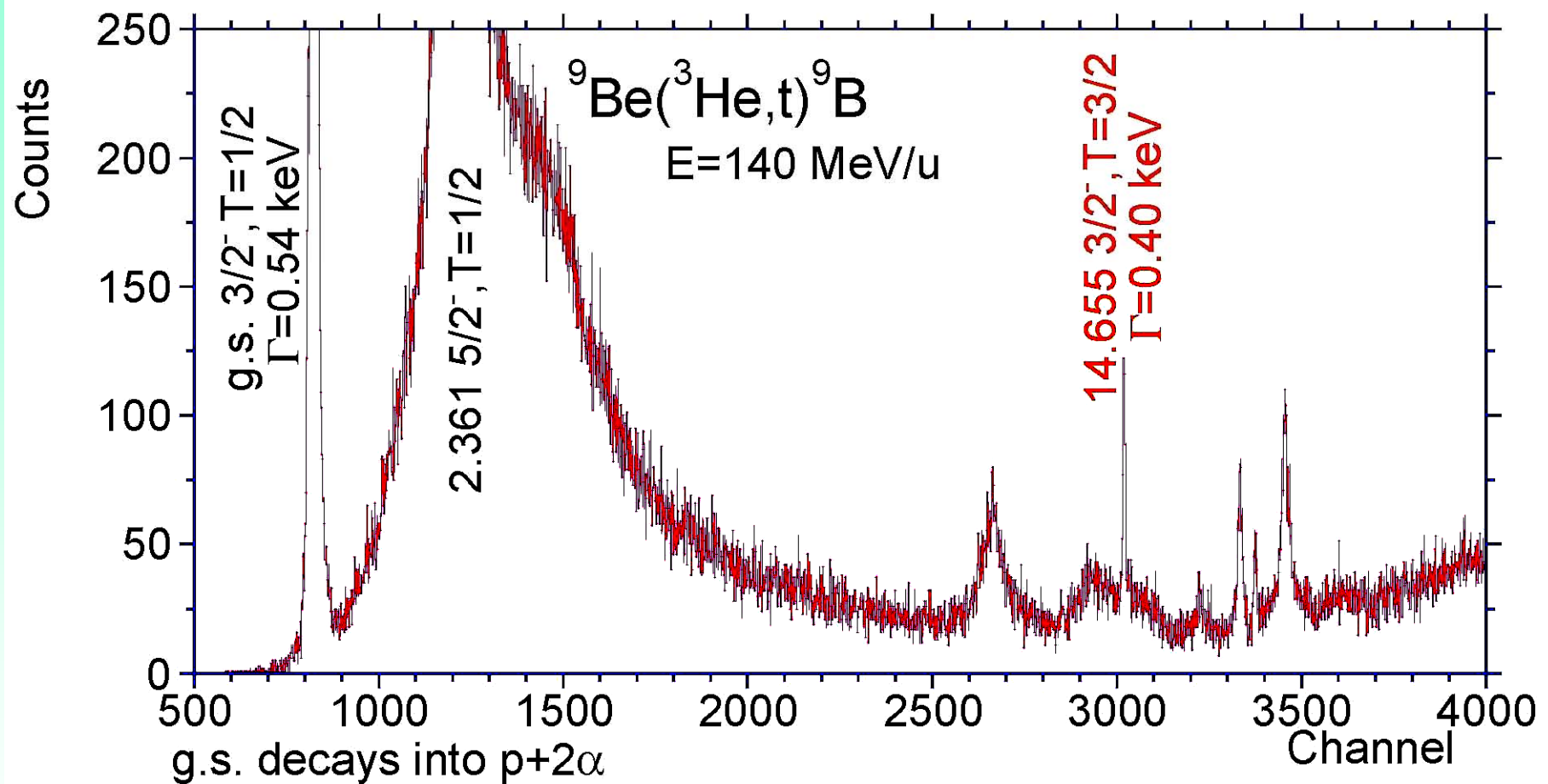
\*if: Decay is Fast,

then: Width of a State is Wider !

\*if  $\Delta t = 10^{-20}$  sec  $\rightarrow \Delta E \sim 100$  keV (particle decay)

$\Delta t = 10^{-15}$  sec  $\rightarrow \Delta E \sim 1$  eV (fast  $\gamma$  decay)

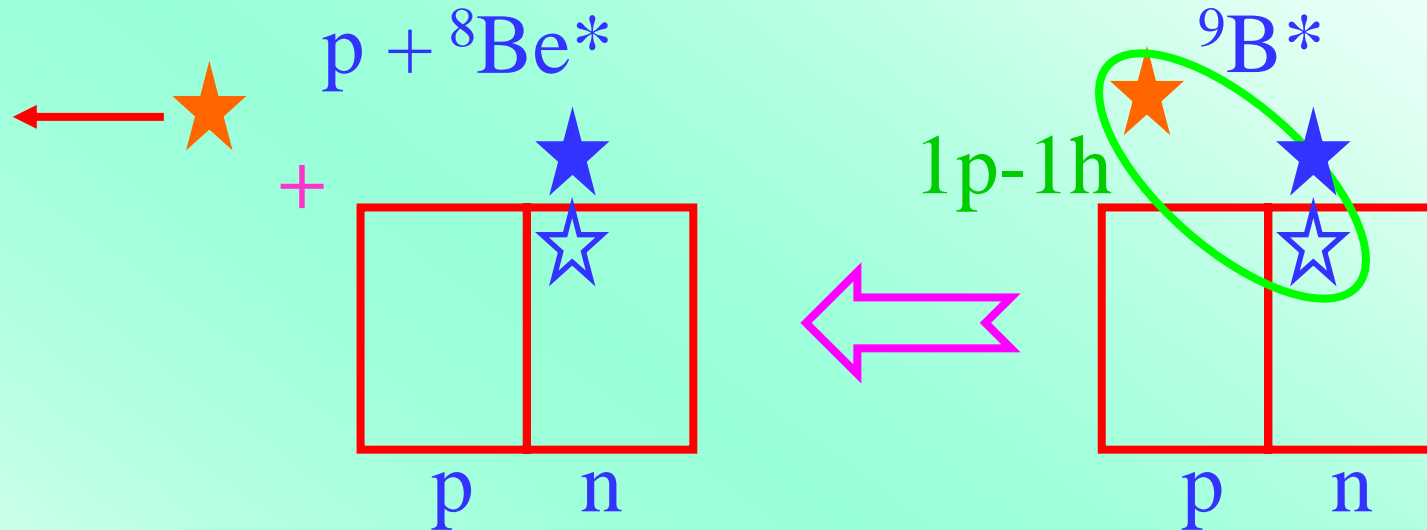
# ${}^9\text{Be}({}^3\text{He},t){}^9\text{B}$ spectrum (II)



**Isospin selection rule prohibits  
proton decay of  $T=3/2$  state!**

C. Scholl et al, PRC 84,  
014308 (2011)

# Isospin Selection Rule : in $p$ -decay of ${}^9\text{B}$



$$T_z : -1/2 + 0 = -1/2$$

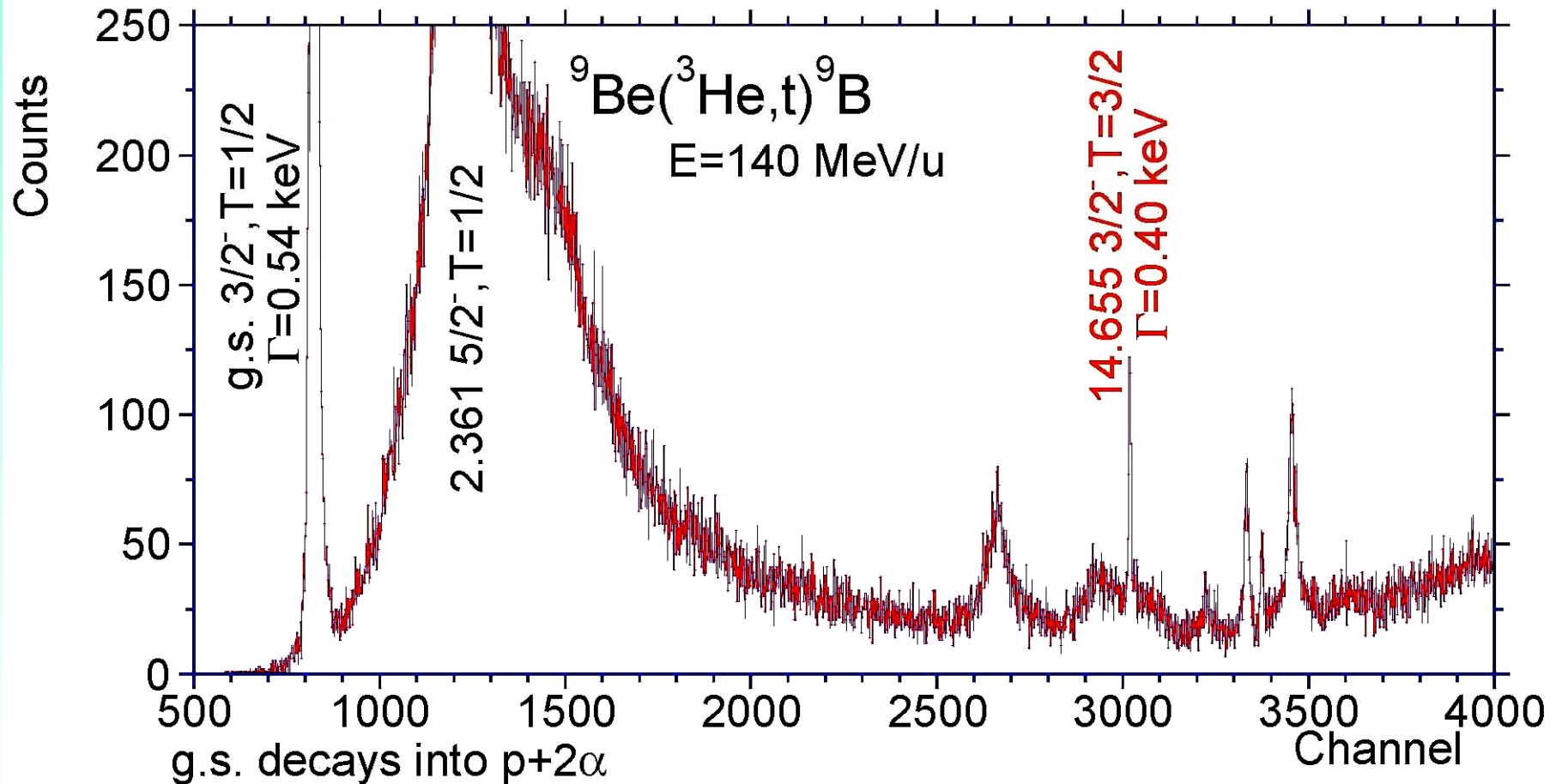
$$T : 1/2 + 0 \text{ (low lying)} = 1/2$$

$$T : 1/2 + 1 \text{ (higher Ex)} = 1/2 \ \& \ 3/2$$

\* $T=1$  state in  ${}^8\text{Be}$  is only above  $E_x=16.6$  MeV

**Therefore,  $p$ -decay of  $T=3/2$  states is forbidden!**

# ${}^9\text{Be}({}^3\text{He},t){}^9\text{B}$ spectrum (III)



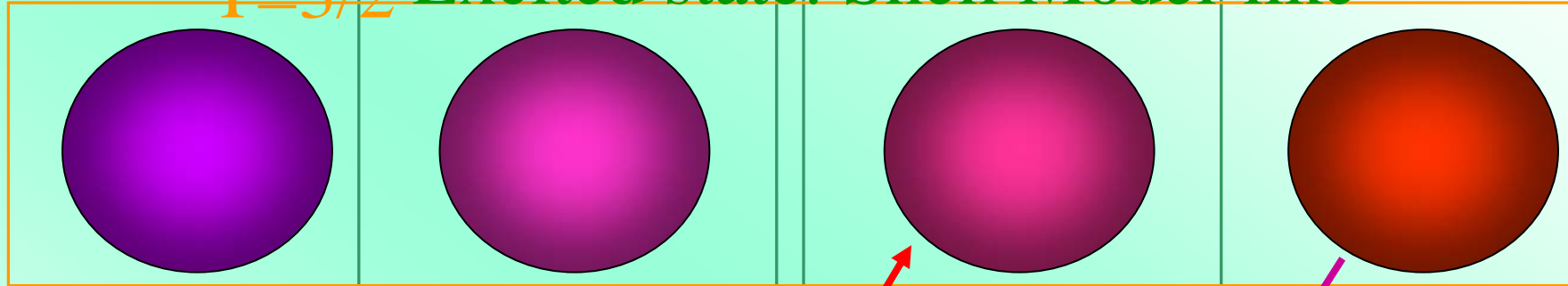
**14.7 MeV  $T=3/2$  state is very weak!**

Strength ratio of g.s. & 14.7 MeV  $3/2^-$  states: **140:1**



# Shell Structure and Cluster Structure

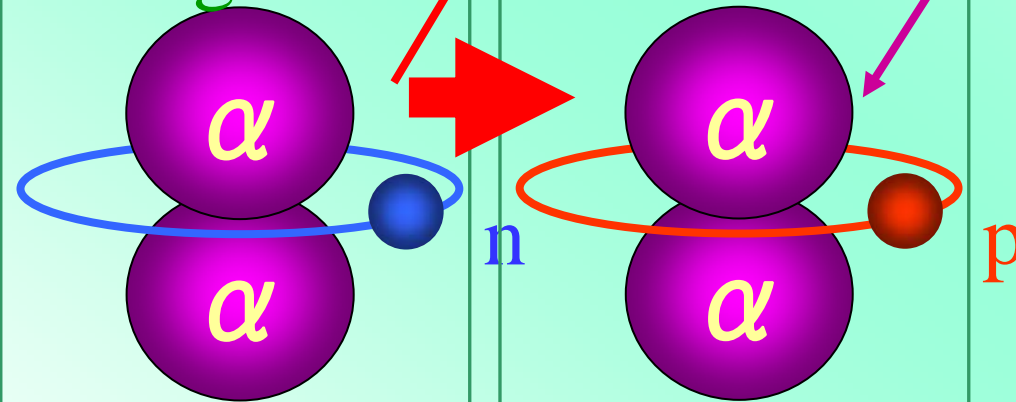
$T=3/2$  Excited state: Shell Model-like



${}^9\text{Li}$   
 $T_z=3/2$   
 neutron:  $p_{3/2}$  closed

${}^9\text{C}$   
 $T_z=-3/2$   
 proton:  $p_{3/2}$  closed

g.s.: Cluster-like



${}^9\text{Be}$   
 $T_z=1/2$

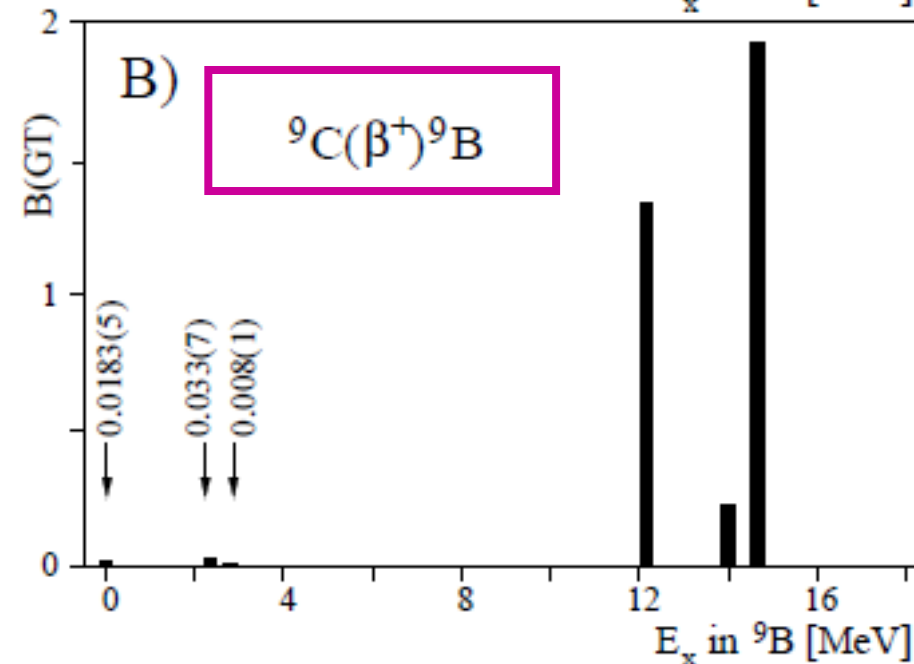
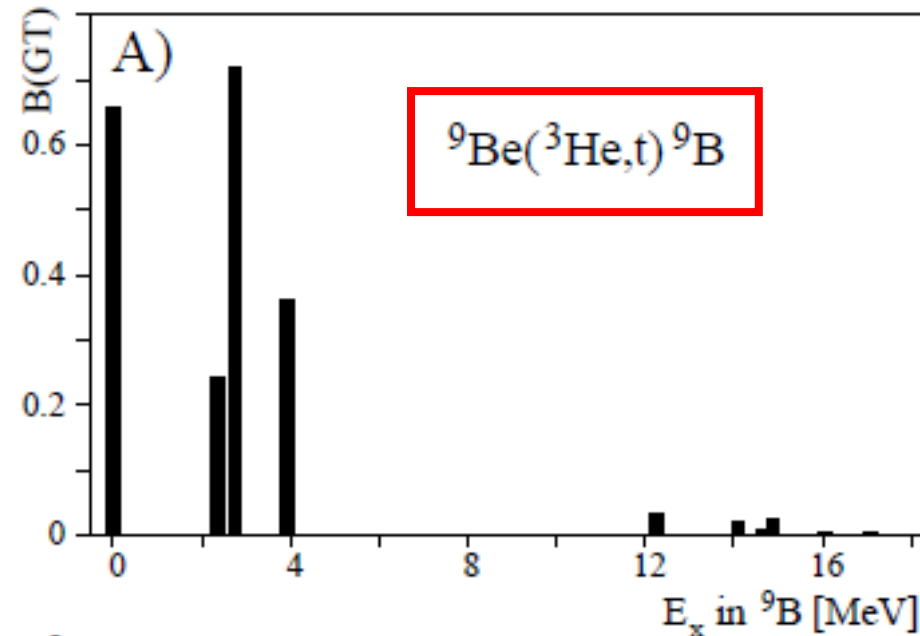
${}^9\text{B}$   
 $T_z=-1/2$

suggestion by  
 Y. Kanada-En'yo

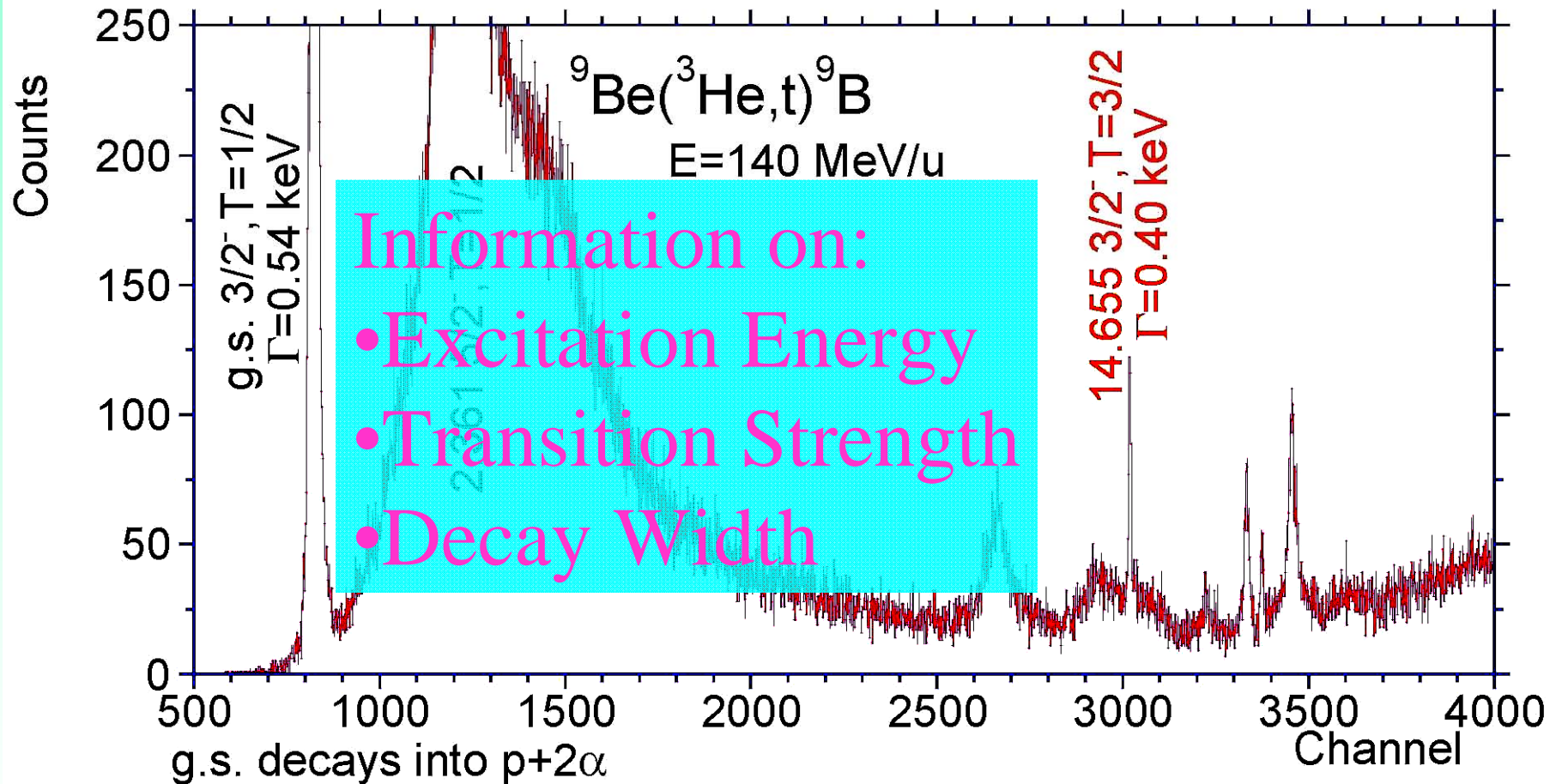
# $\beta$ -decay and ( $^3\text{He}, t$ ) results

C. Scholl et al,  
PRC 84, 014308 (2011)

L. Buchmann et al.,  
PRC 63 (2001) 034303.  
U.C. Bergmann et al.,  
Nucl. Phys. A 692 (2001) 427.



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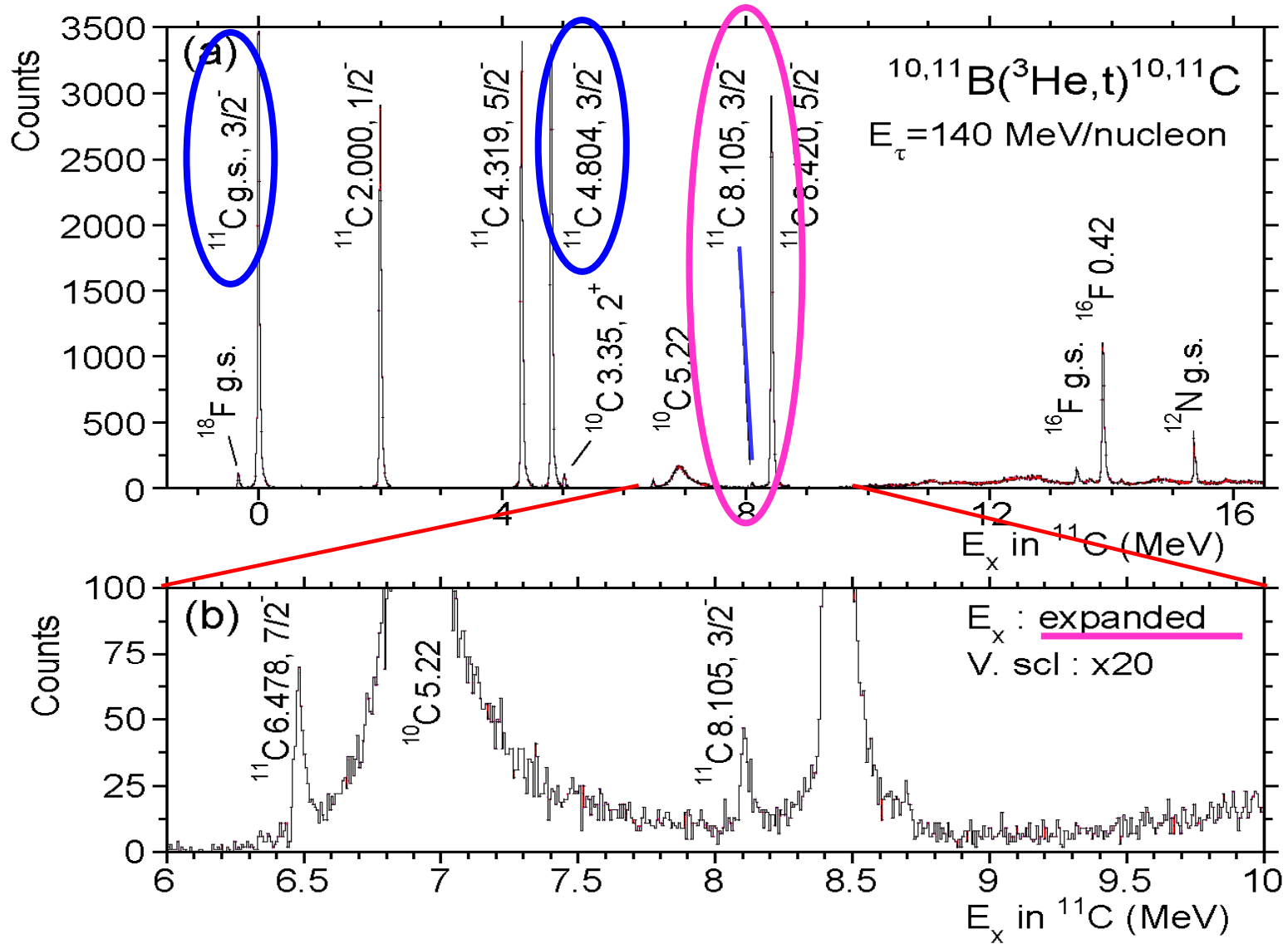


**14.7 MeV  $T=3/2$  state is very weak!**

Strength ratio of g.s. & 14.7 MeV  $3/2^-$  states: **140:1**

# GT transitions to $J^\pi = 3/2^-$ states: $J^\pi$ allowed

Why  
 $3/2^-_3$   
 so  
 weak!



# 1. Introduction

## 11B→11C: GT transition strengths

by Y. Kanada-En'yo

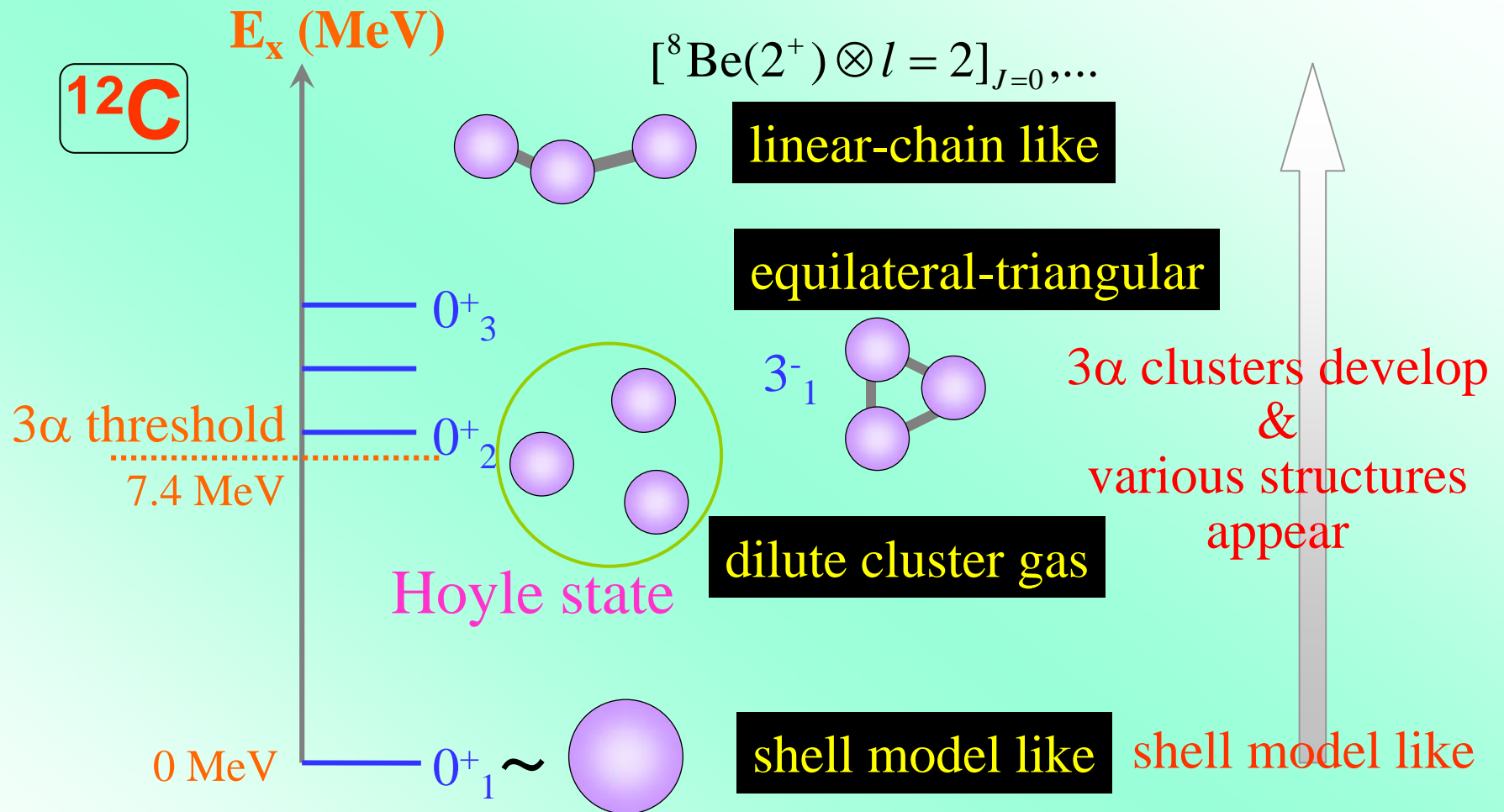
Y. Fujita, et al. PRC 70, 011306(R)(2004).  
charge exchange reaction:  $^{11}\text{B}(^3\text{He},t)^{11}\text{C}$

| Experiment  |          |               | no-core shell-model                  |             |                            |
|-------------|----------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------|
| $E_x$ (MeV) | $2J^\pi$ | $(p, n)^a$    | $B(\text{GT})$<br>$(^3\text{He}, t)$ | $E_x$ (MeV) | $B(\text{GT})$<br>With TNI |
| 0.0         | $3^-$    | $0.345(8)^b$  | $0.345(8)^b$                         | 0.0         | 0.315                      |
| 2.000       | $1^-$    | $0.399(32)$   | $0.440(22)$                          | 0.525       | 0.591                      |
| 4.319       | $5^-$    | $0.961(60)^c$ | $0.526(27)$                          | 3.584       | 0.517                      |
| 4.804       | $3^-$    |               | $0.525(27)$                          | 3.852       | 0.741                      |
| 8.105       | $3^-$    | $0.444(10)^d$ | $0.005(2)^e$                         |             |                            |
| 8.420       | $5^-$    |               | $0.461(23)$                          | 8.943       | 0.625                      |

small  $B(\text{GT})$ .

missing of  $3/2^-_3$  in theoretical calculations.

# Shell-model-like and Cluster structures in $^{12}\text{C}$

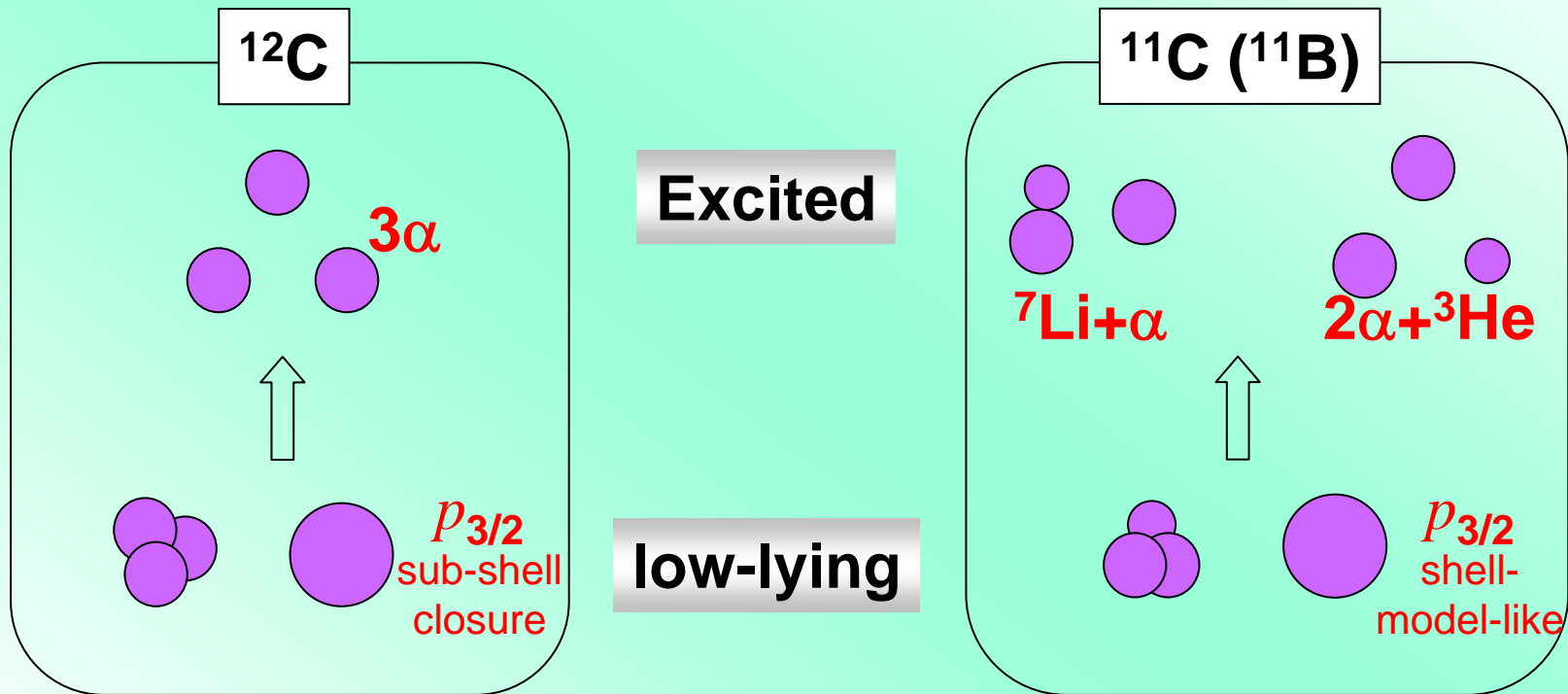


- E. Uegaki, et al. Prog. Theor. Phys. **57**, 1262 (1977)  
 M. Kamimura, et al. J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. **44** (1978), 225.  
 A. Tohsaki, et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. **87**, 192501 (2001)  
 Y. Kanada-En'yo, Prog. Theor. Phys. **117**, 655 (2007) etc

by Suhara & En'yo '08

# Coexistence of shell-model and cluster states

by Y. Kanada-En'yo  
PRC ('07)





# $\beta$ -decay & Nuclear Reaction

\* $\beta$ -decay GT tra. rate =  $\frac{1}{t_{1/2}} = \underbrace{f}_{\text{operator}} \frac{\lambda^2}{K} \underbrace{B(\text{GT})}_{\text{structure}}$

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 $\propto (\text{matrix element})^2$   
 Study of Weak Response of Nuclei  
 by means of  
 \* Nuclear (GE) reaction rate (cross-section)  
 = reaction mechanism  
 using  $\beta$ -decay as a reference

$\otimes$  operator  
 $\otimes$  structure

$= (\text{matrix element})^2$

A simple reaction mechanism should be achieved !

$\rightarrow$  we have to go to high incoming energy



**\*\*Connection between  
 $\beta$ -decay and ( $^3\text{He},t$ ) reaction\*\***

**by means of  
Isospin Symmetry**

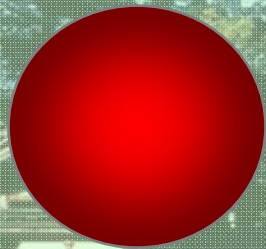
T=1 Isospin Symmetry



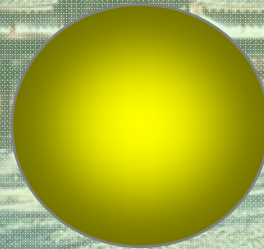
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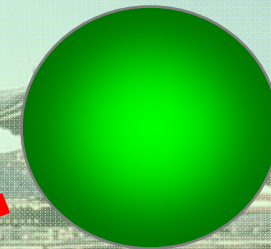
# T=1 Isospin Symmetry



GT



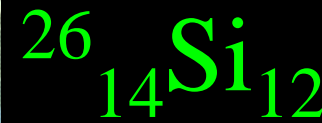
GT



$$T_z = +1$$



$$T_z = 0$$

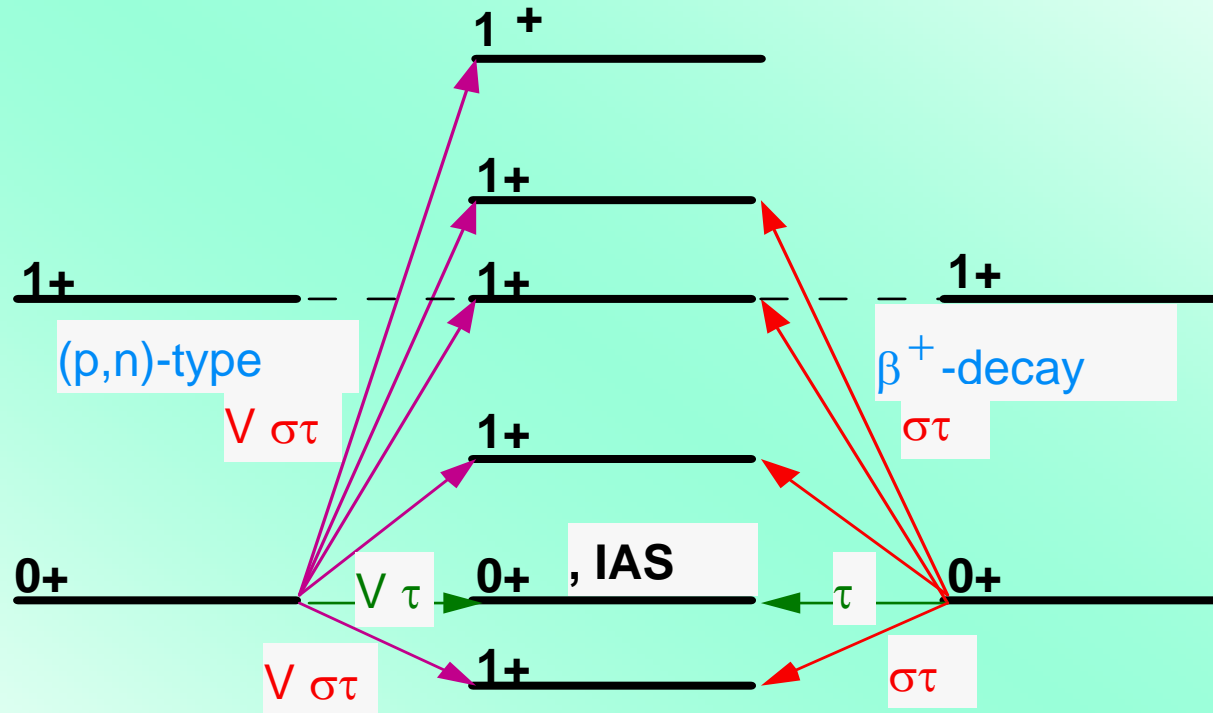


$$T_z = -1$$

# T=1 symmetry : Structures & Transitions

$$T_z=+1 \quad \longrightarrow \quad T_z=0 \quad \longleftarrow \quad T_z=-1$$

(in isospin symmetry space\*)



$T_z=+1$

$^{26}\text{Mg}$

$Z=12, N=14$

$T_z=0$

$^{26}\text{Al}$

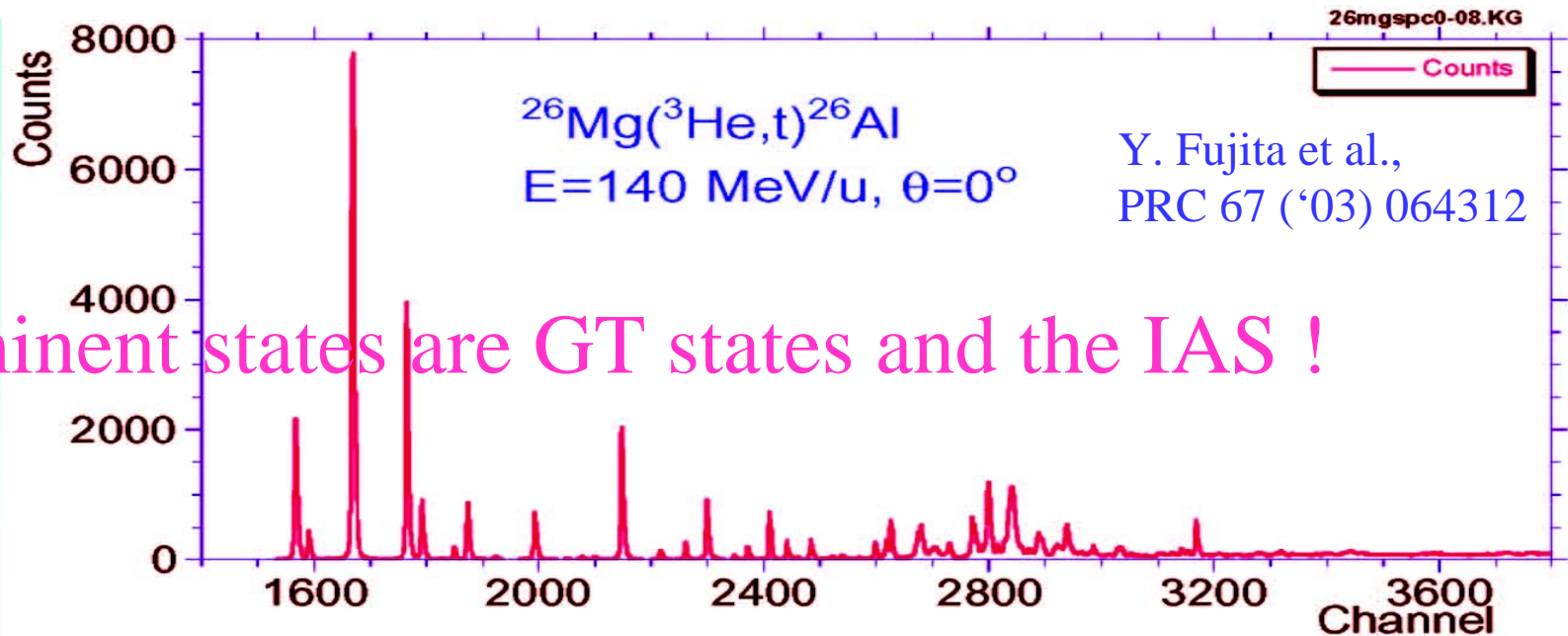
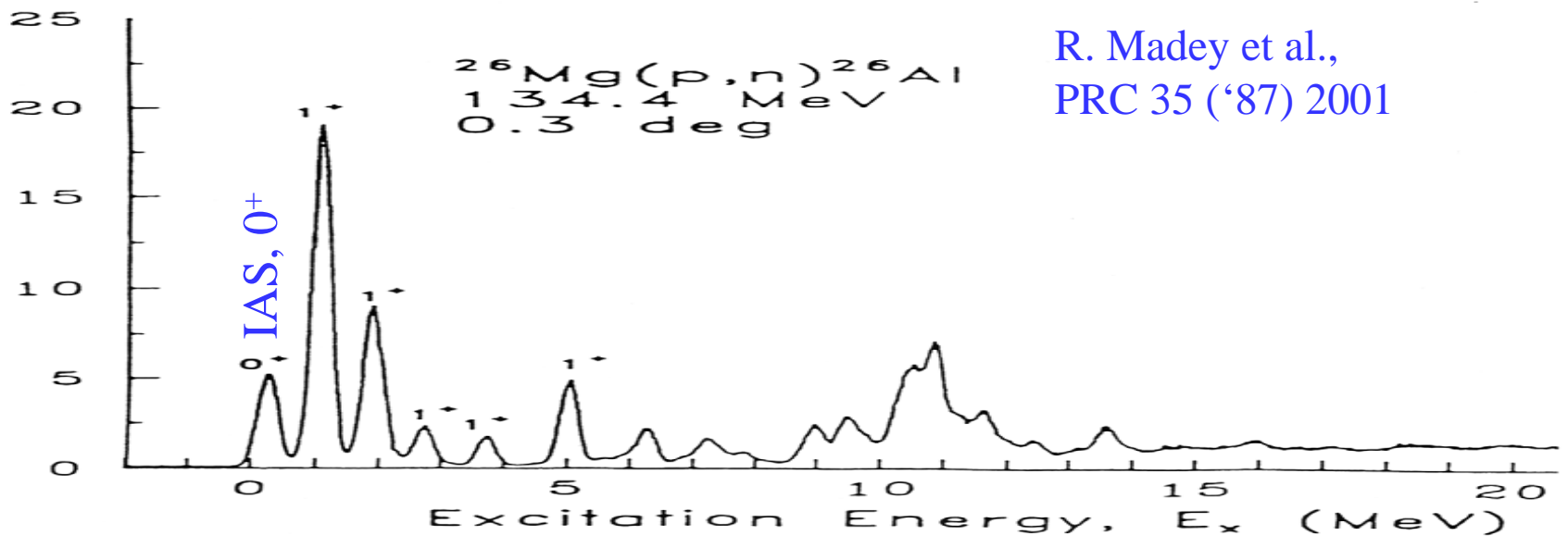
$Z=13, N=13$

$T_z=-1$

$^{26}\text{Si}$

$Z=14, N=12$

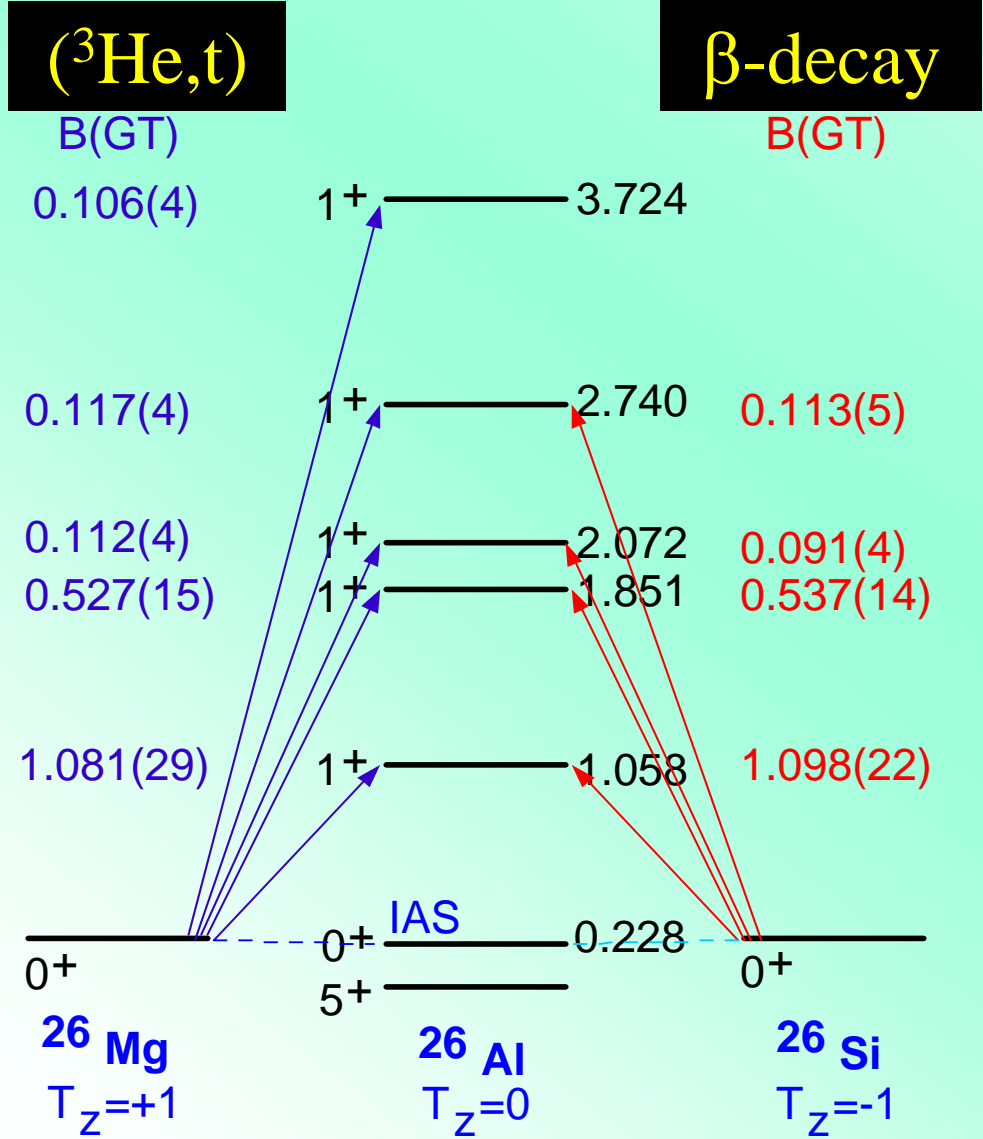
# $^{26}\text{Mg}(p, n)^{26}\text{Al}$ & $^{26}\text{Mg}(^3\text{He}, t)^{26}\text{Al}$ spectra



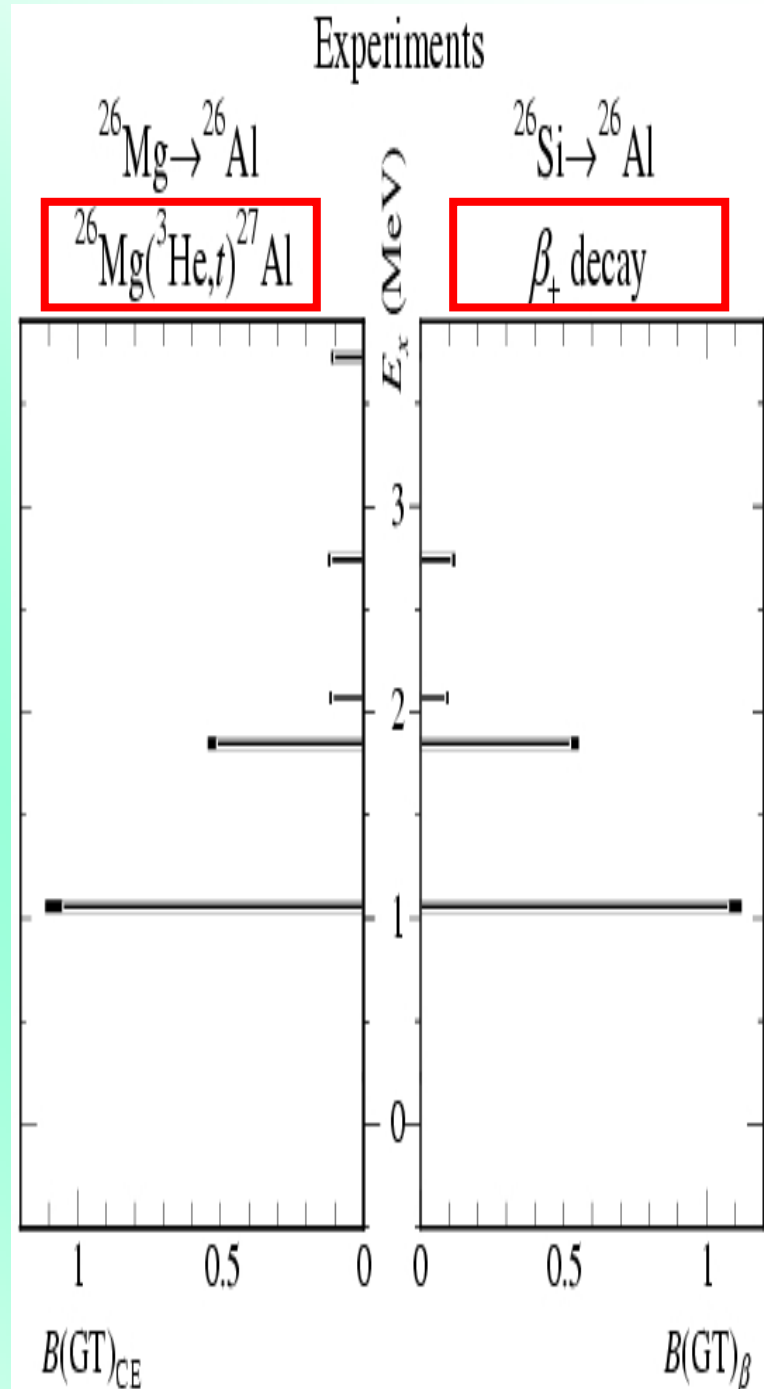
Prominent states are GT states and the IAS !



# B(GT) values from Symmetry Transitions (A=26)

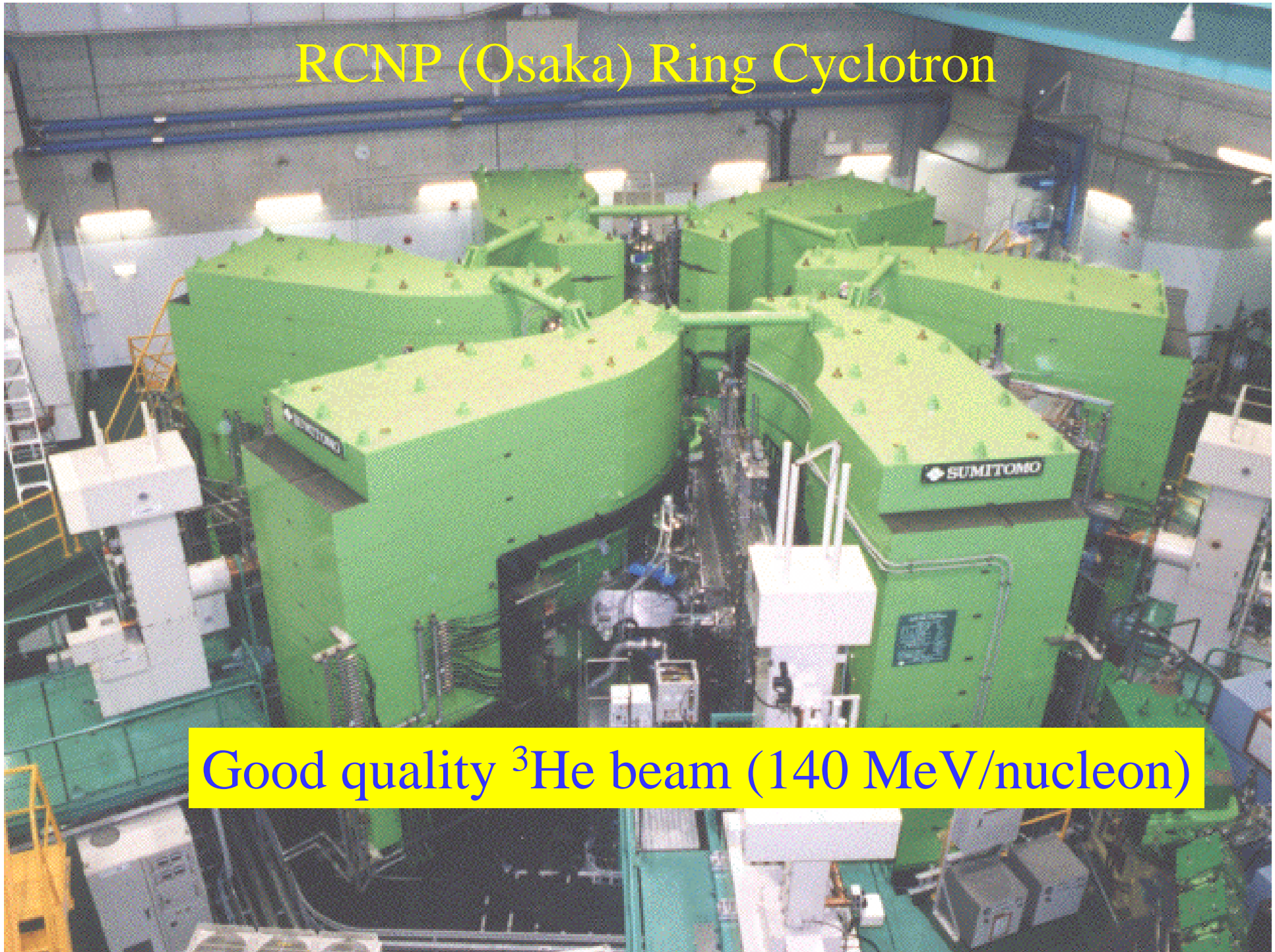


Y. Fujita et al., PRC 67 ('03) 064312

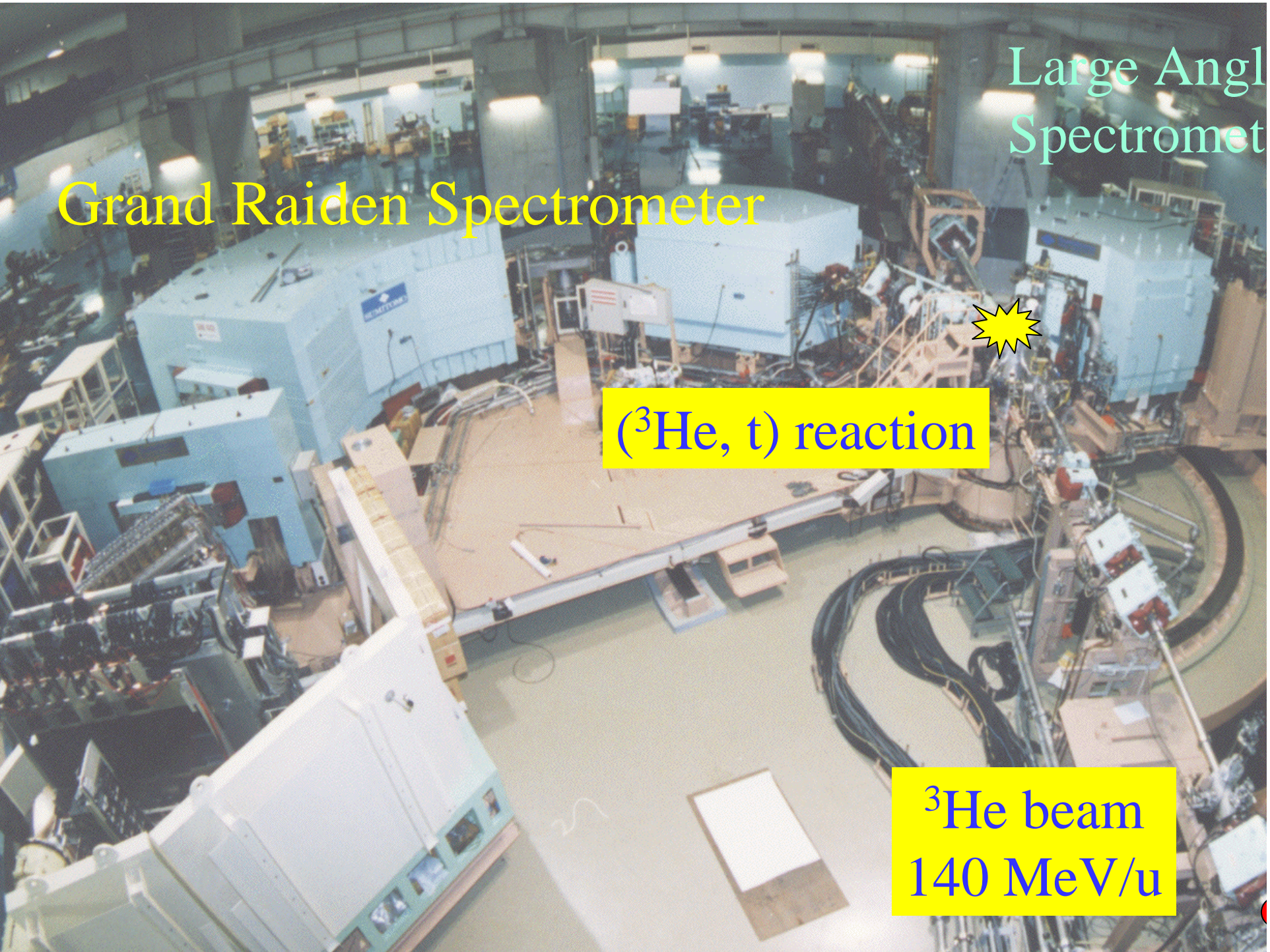


# RCNP (Osaka) Ring Cyclotron

Good quality  ${}^3\text{He}$  beam (140 MeV/nucleon)







Large Angle Spectrometer

Grand Raiden Spectrometer

$(^3\text{He}, t)$  reaction

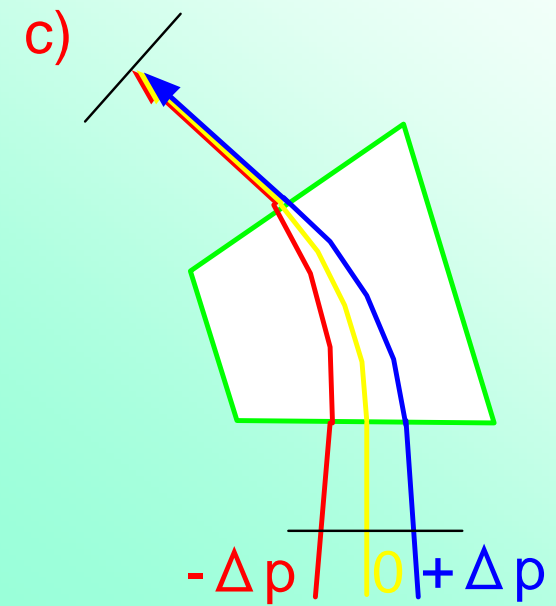
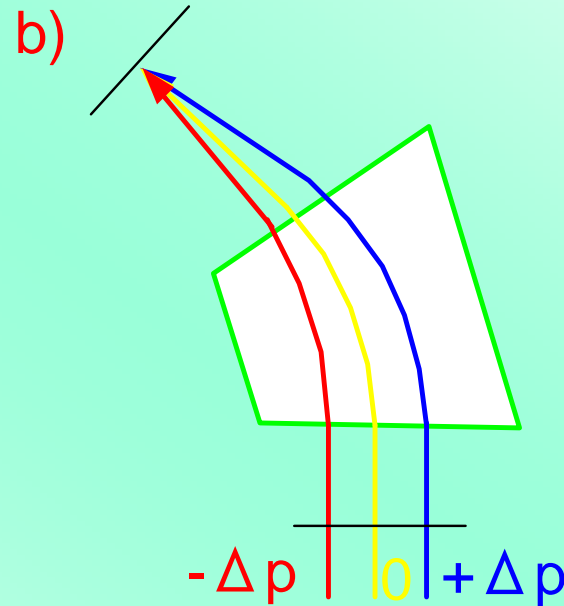
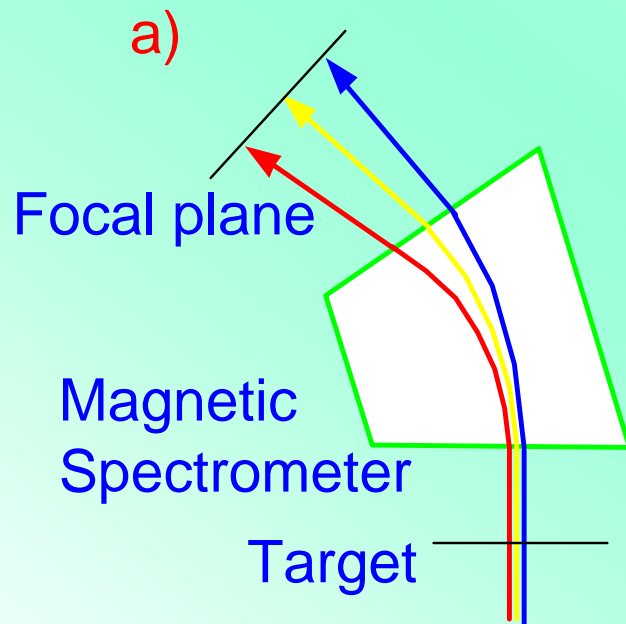
$^3\text{He}$  beam  
140 MeV/u



# Matching Techniques

Y. Fujita et al., N.I.M. B 126 (1997) 274.

H. Fujita et al., N.I.M. A 484 (2002) 17.



*Achromatic beam  
transportation*

$\Delta E \sim 200$  keV  
for 140MeV/u  $^3\text{He}$  beam

*Lateral dispersion  
matching*

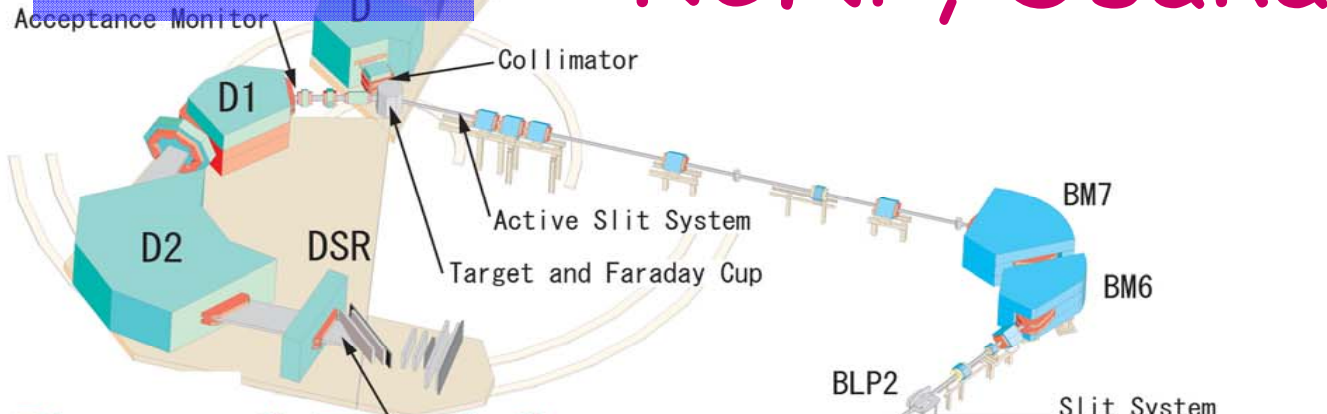
$\Delta E \sim 35$  keV  
Horiz. angle resolution  
 $\Delta\theta_{\text{sc}} > 15$  mrad

*Angular dispersion  
matching*

$\Delta\theta_{\text{sc}} \sim 5$  mrad

# RCNP, Osaka Univ.

$\Delta E = 30 \text{ keV}$



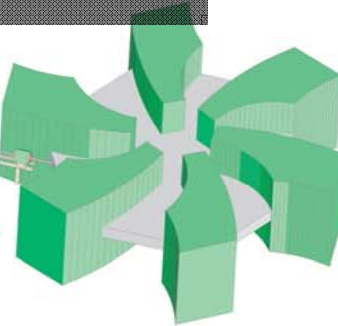
## Grand Raiden

## WS Beam Line

Dispersion Matching Techniques were applied!

$\Delta E = 150 \text{ keV}$

## Ring Cyclotron



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UNIQUE!**





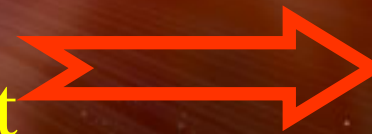
# Binary-Star System & Explosive Nucleosynthesis

Red Giant

accretion : H

White Dwarf : Nova

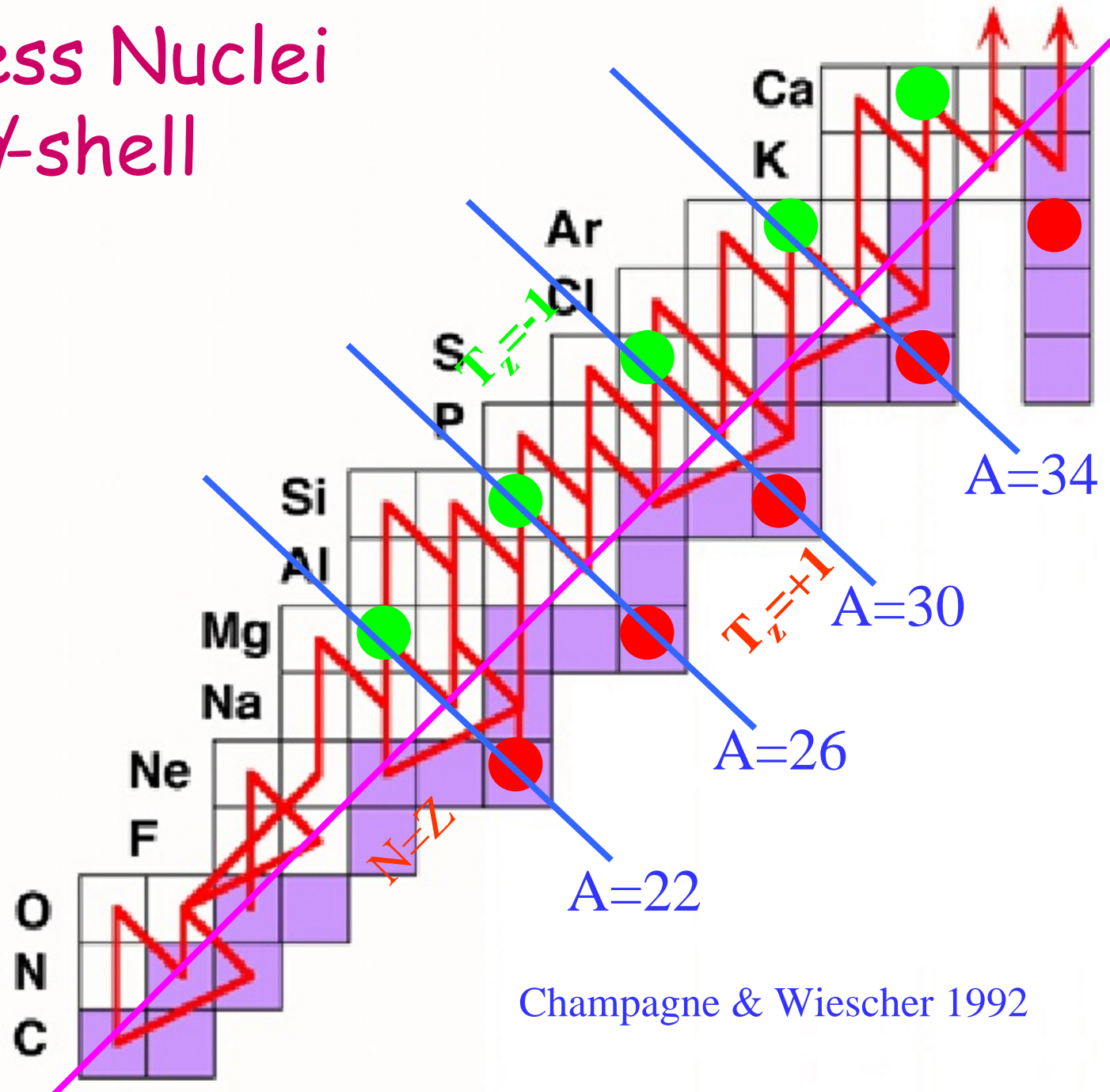
Neutron Star : X-ray burst



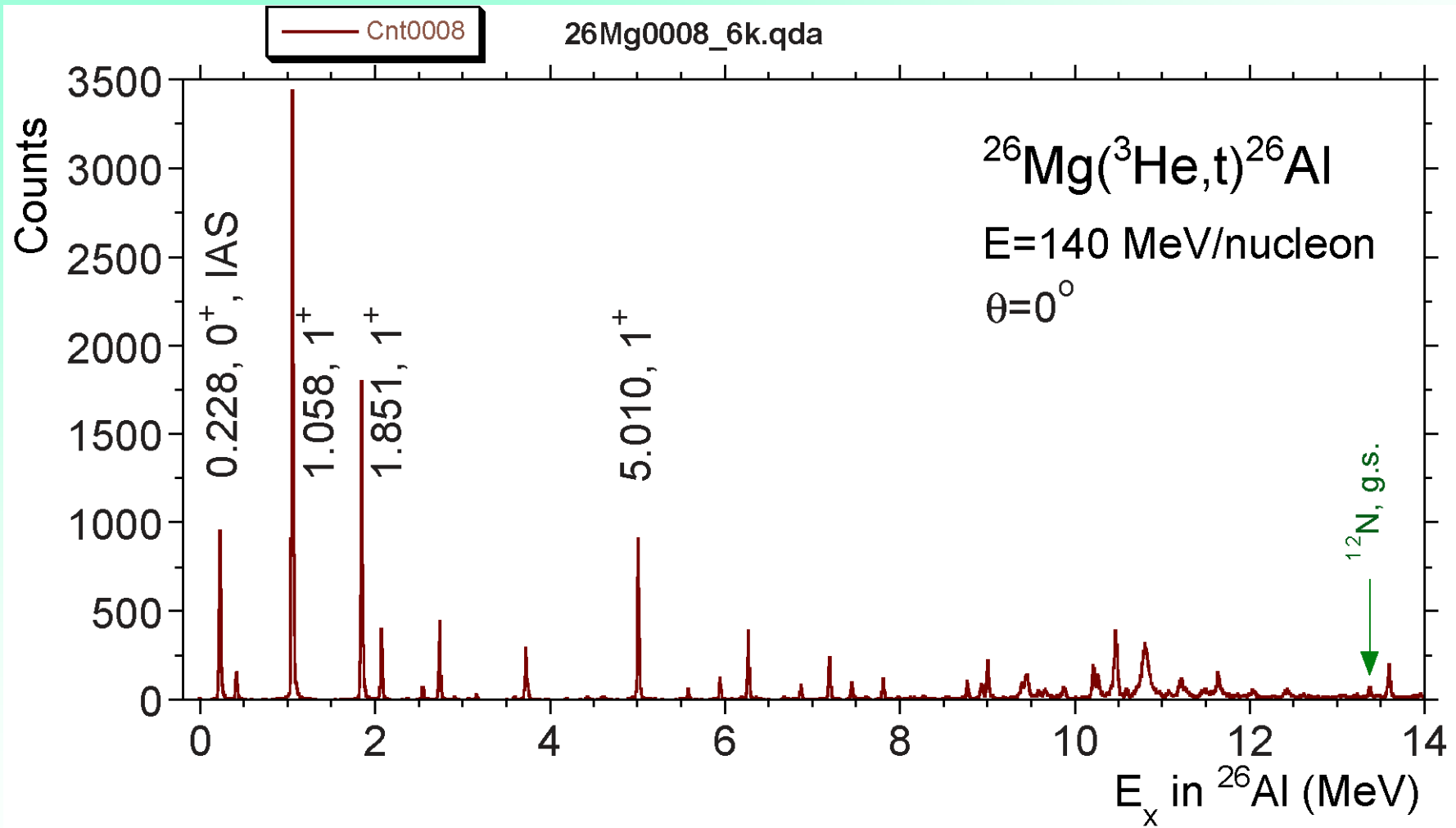
*rp*-process

HARDY

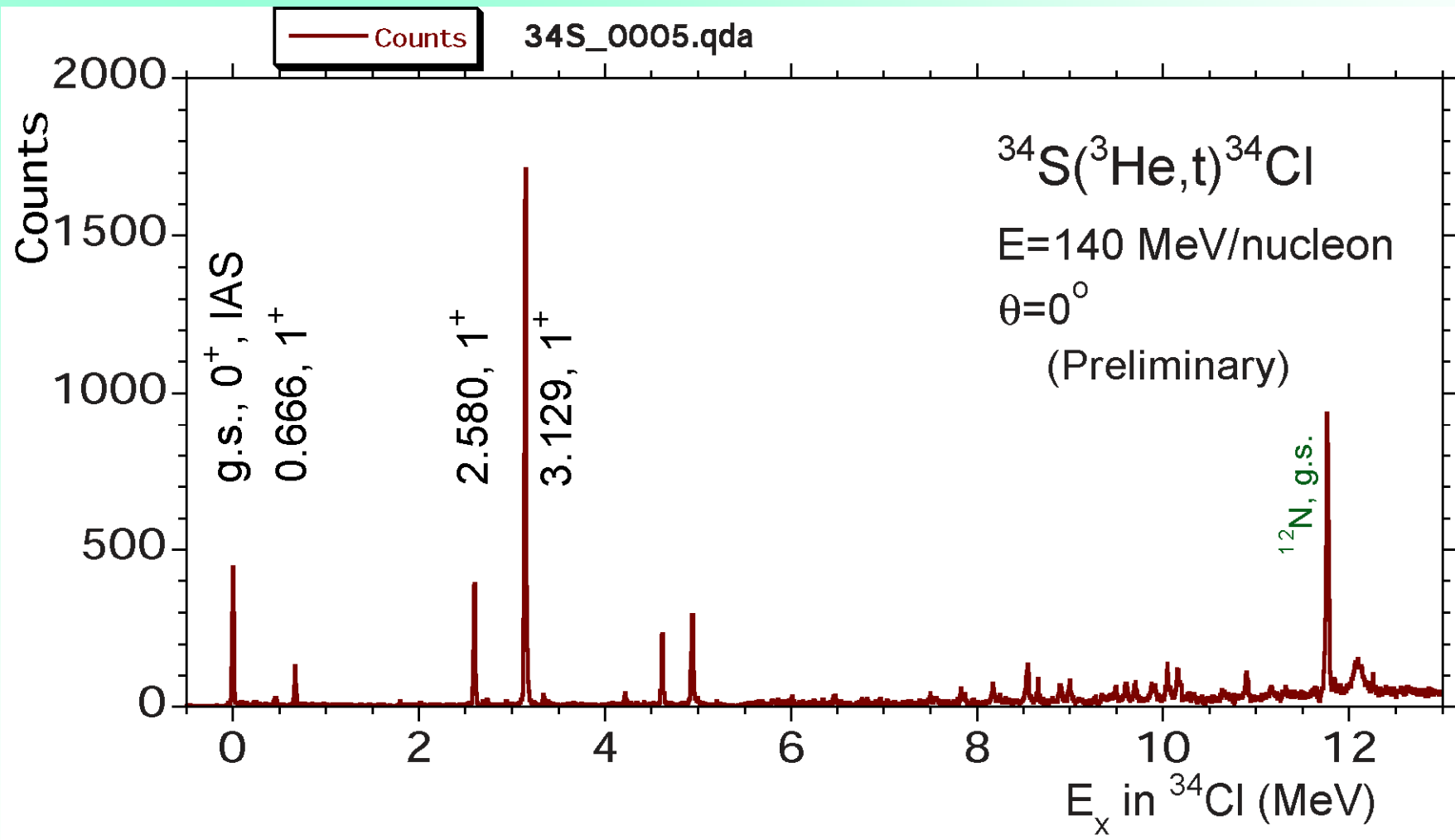
# *rp*-Process Nuclei in *sd*-shell



# $^{26}\text{Mg}(^3\text{He},t)^{26}\text{Al}$

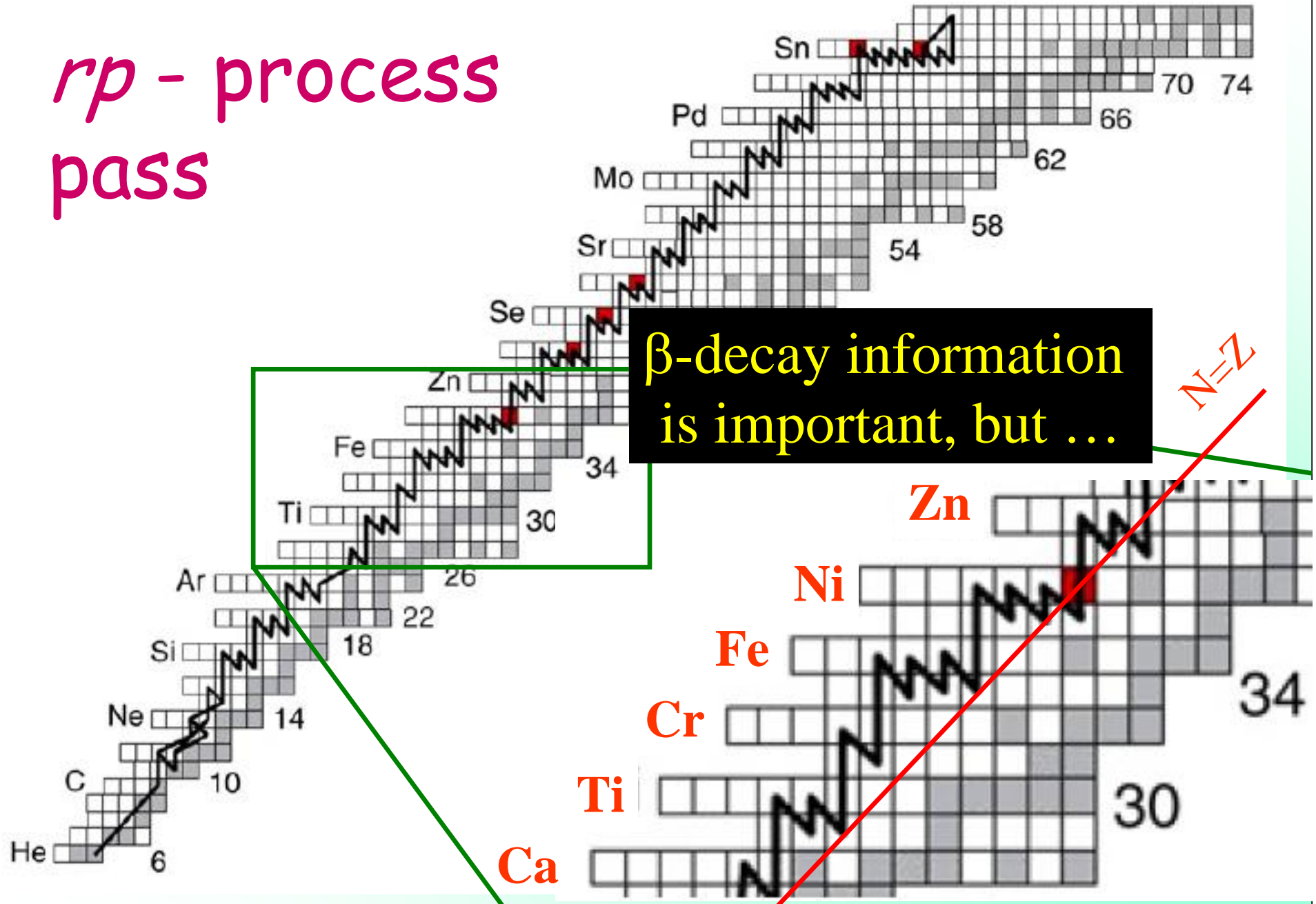


# $^{34}\text{S}(^3\text{He},t)^{34}\text{Cl}$

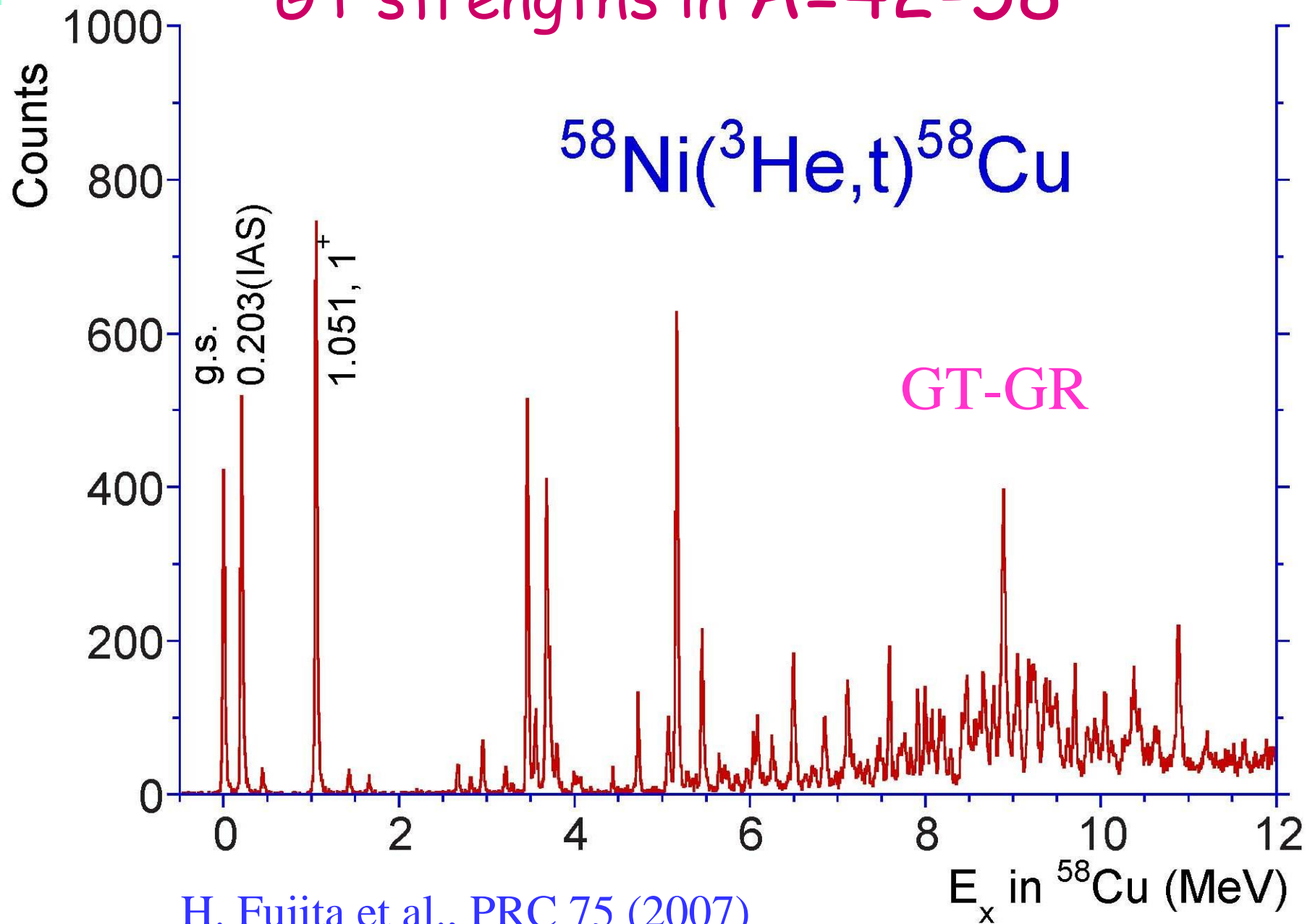




# *rp* - process pass

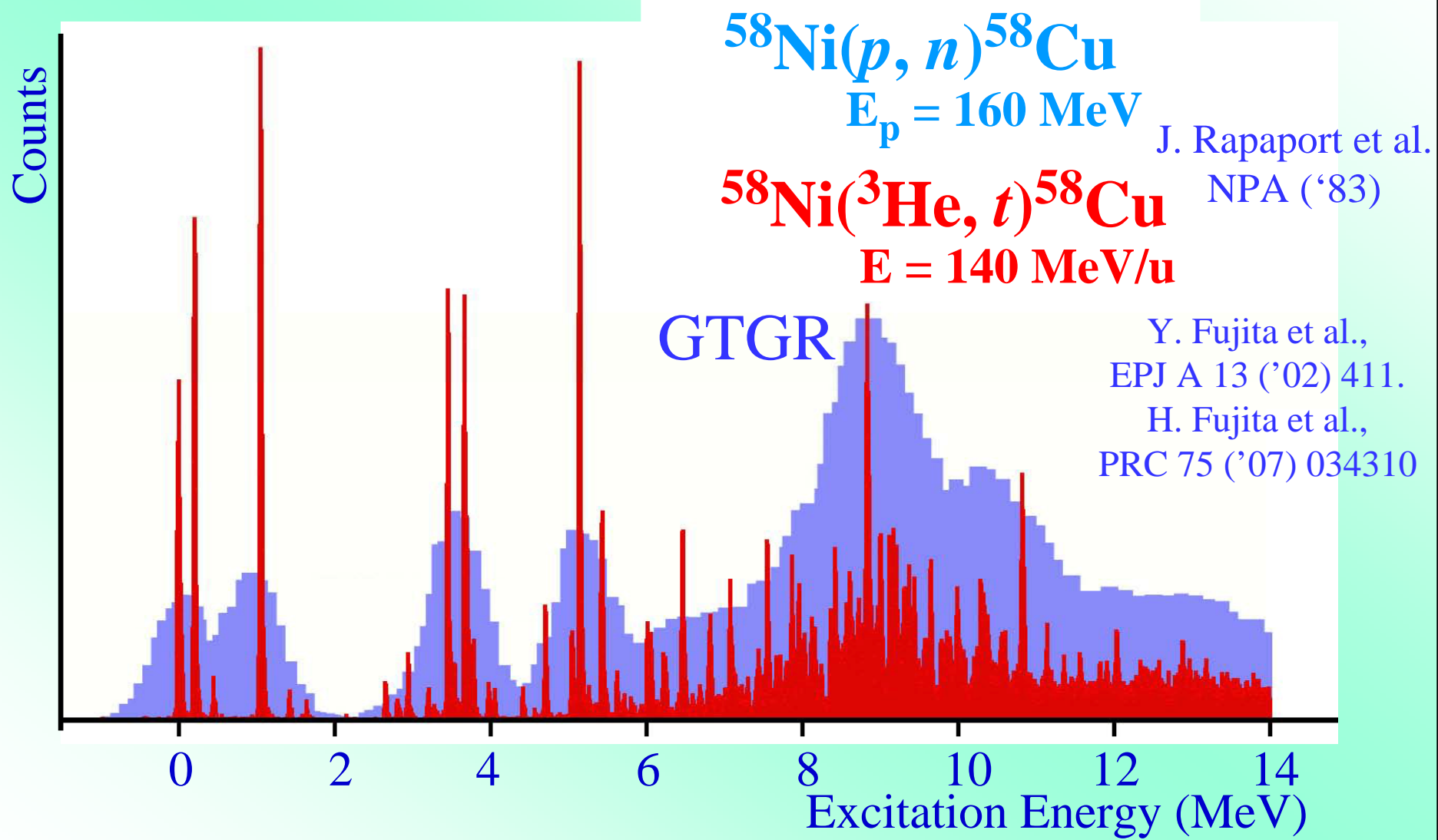


# GT strengths in $A=42-58$



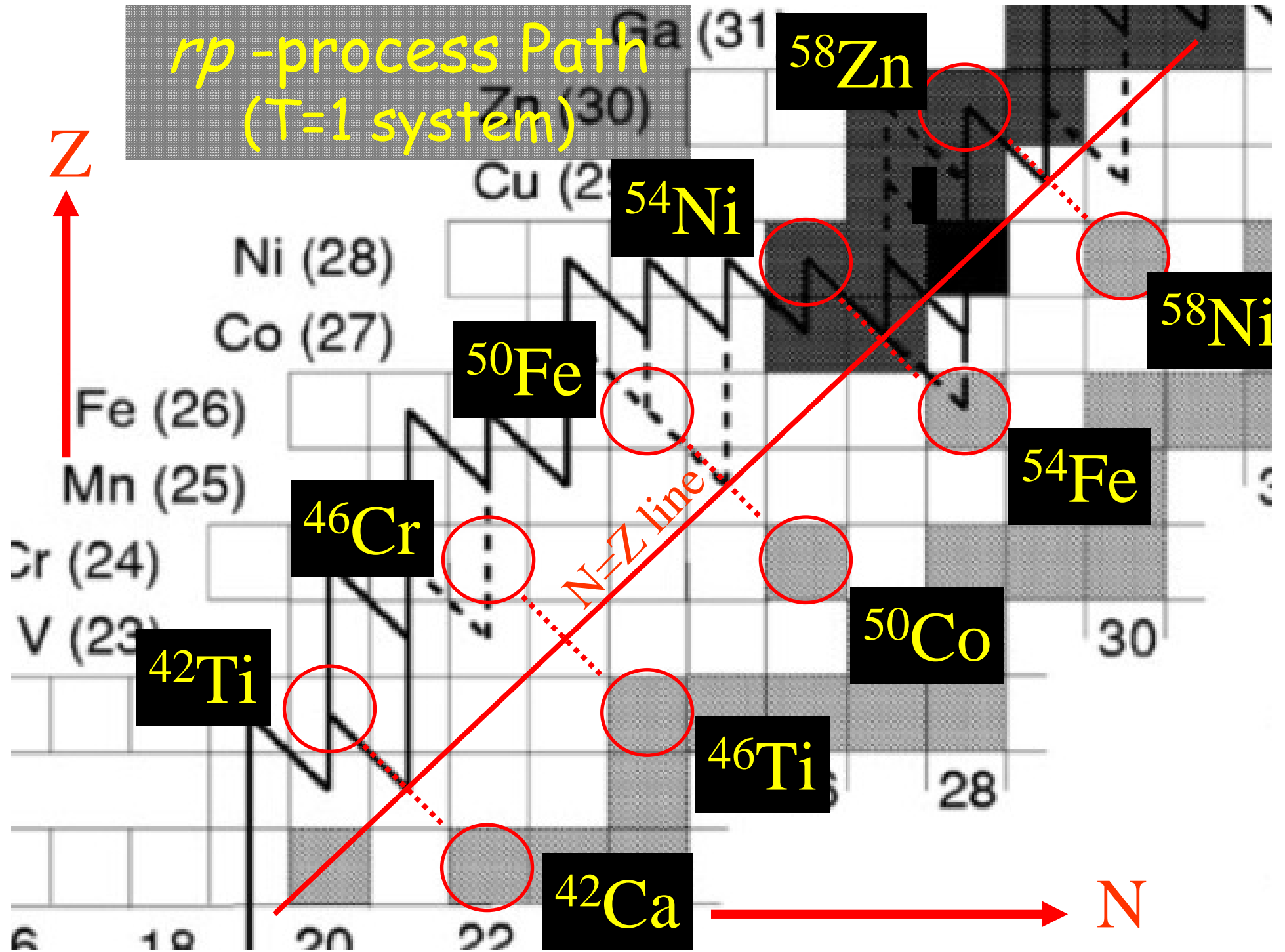
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# \*\*\*Exotic GT transitions from Unstable Nuclei

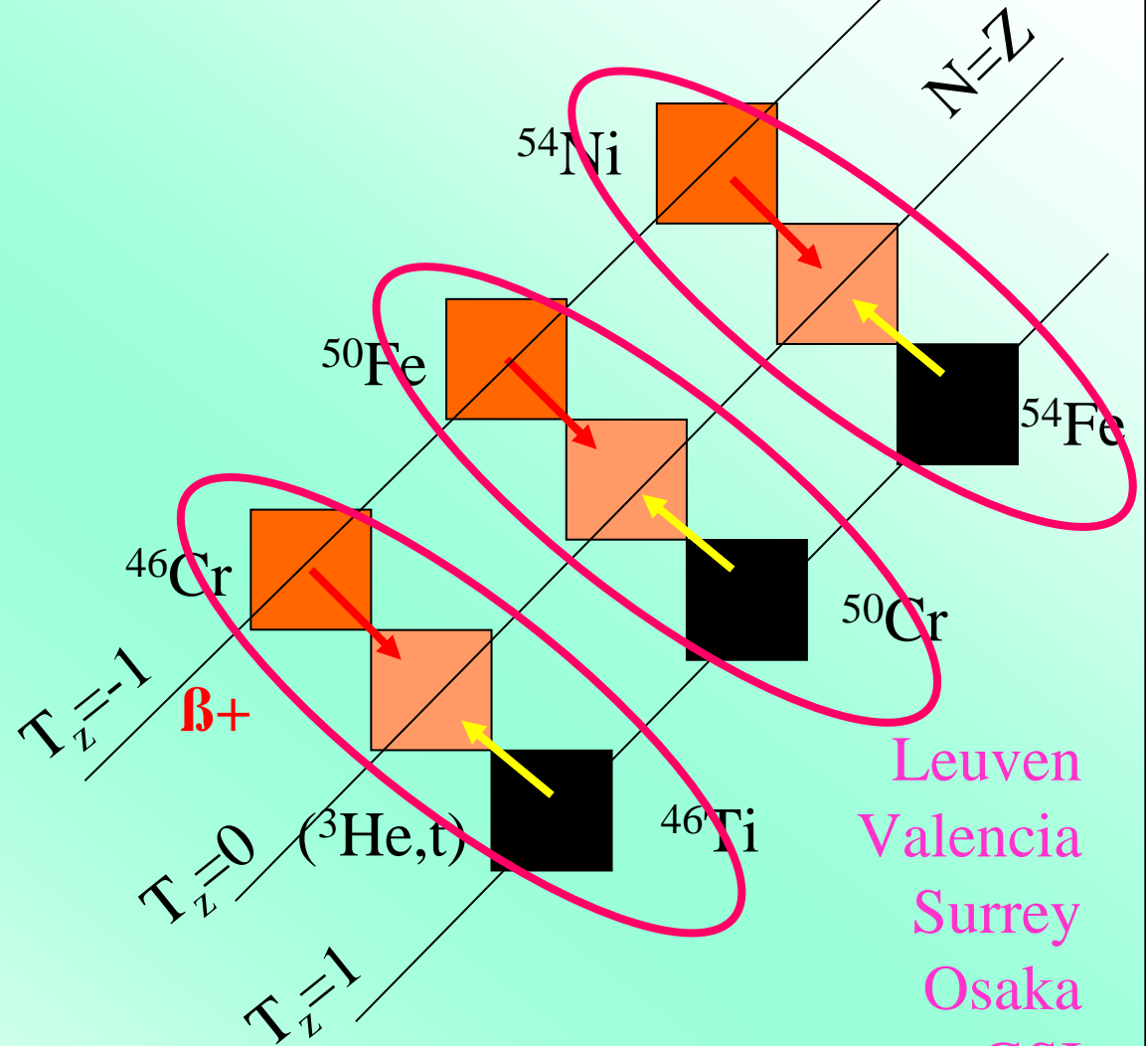
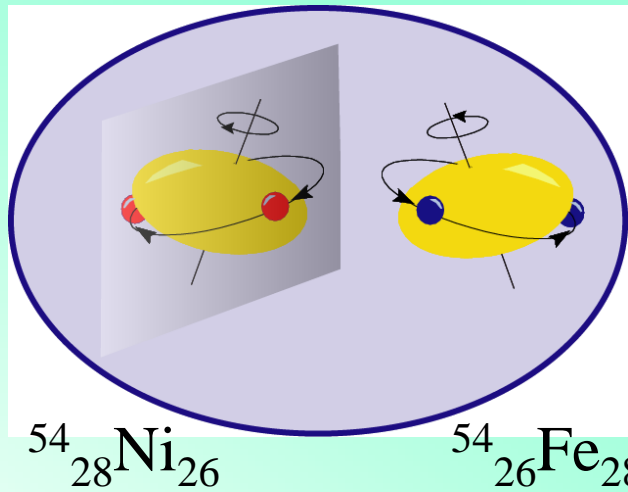
- Combined ( $^3\text{He},t$ ) and  $\beta$ -decay Study -





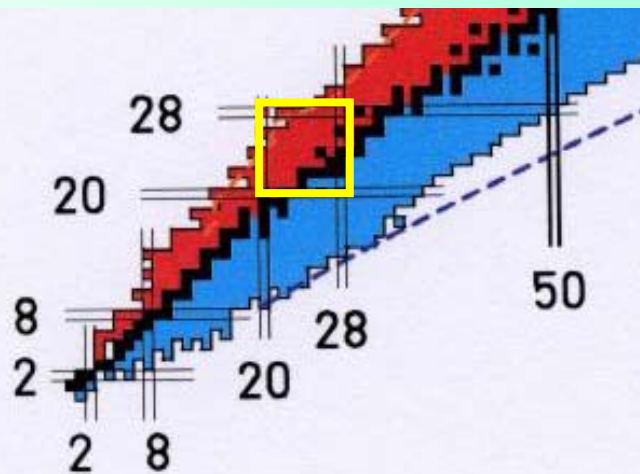
# T=1 Isospin Symmetry in *pf*-shell Nuclei

## Mirror nuclei



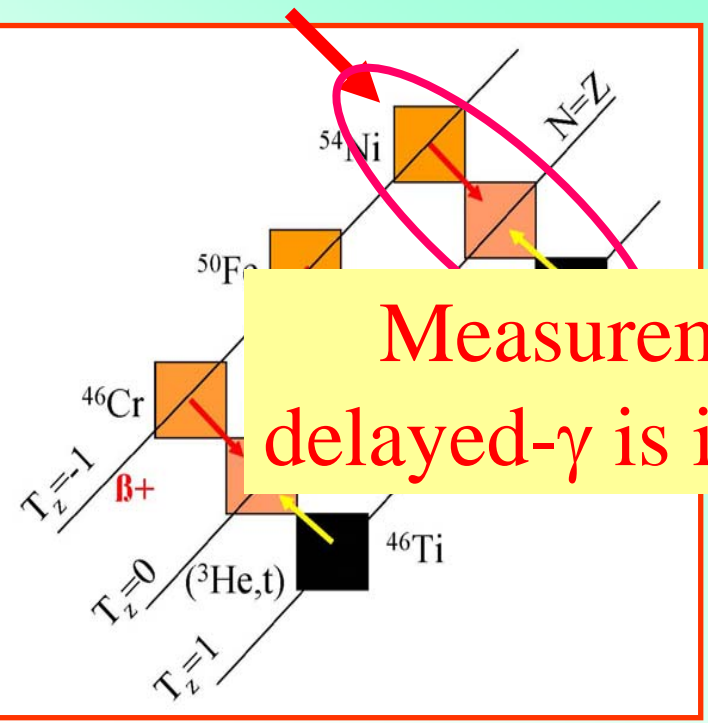
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Valencia  
Surrey  
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CNS

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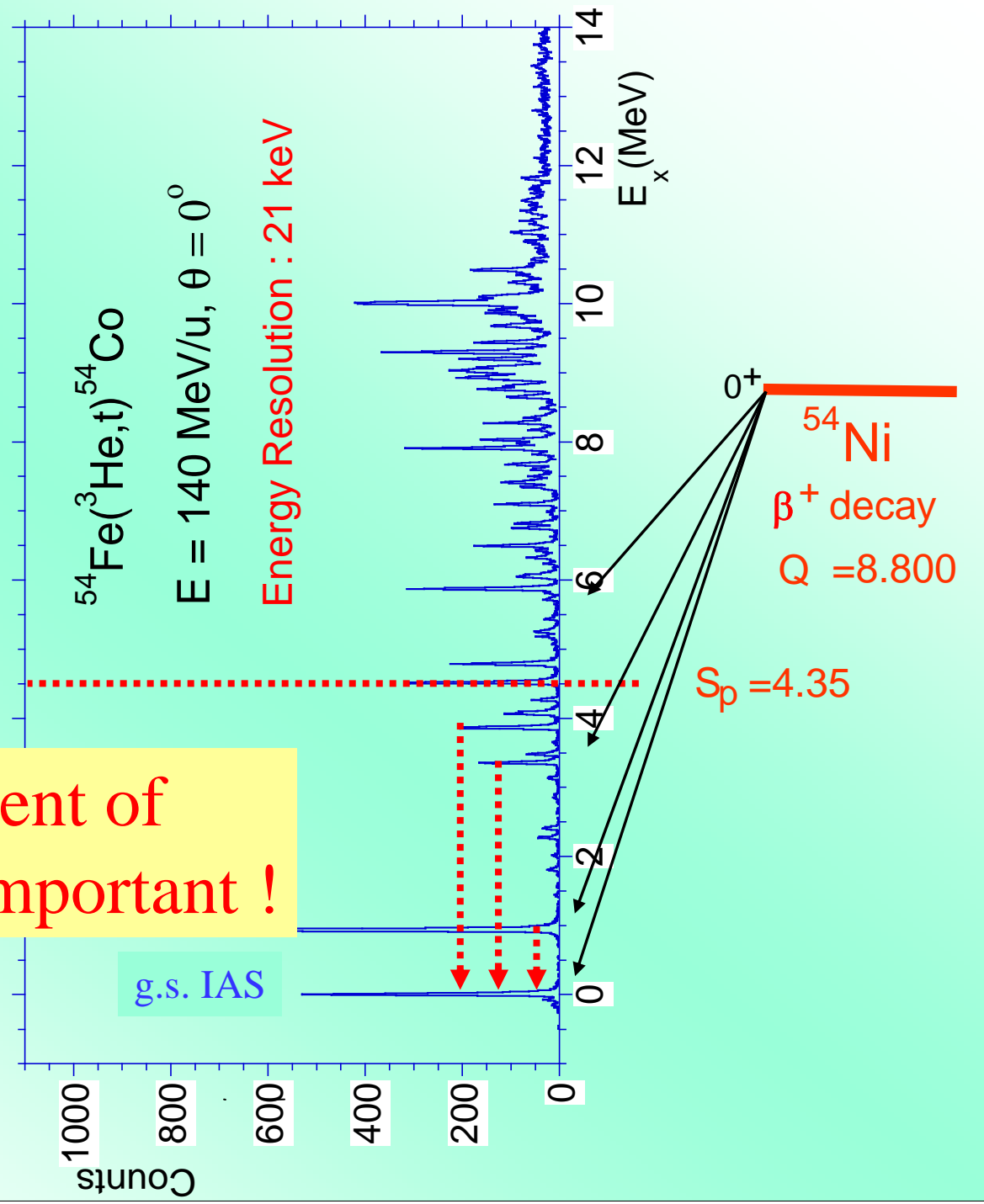


# $^{54}\text{Ni}$ $\beta$ -decay measurement

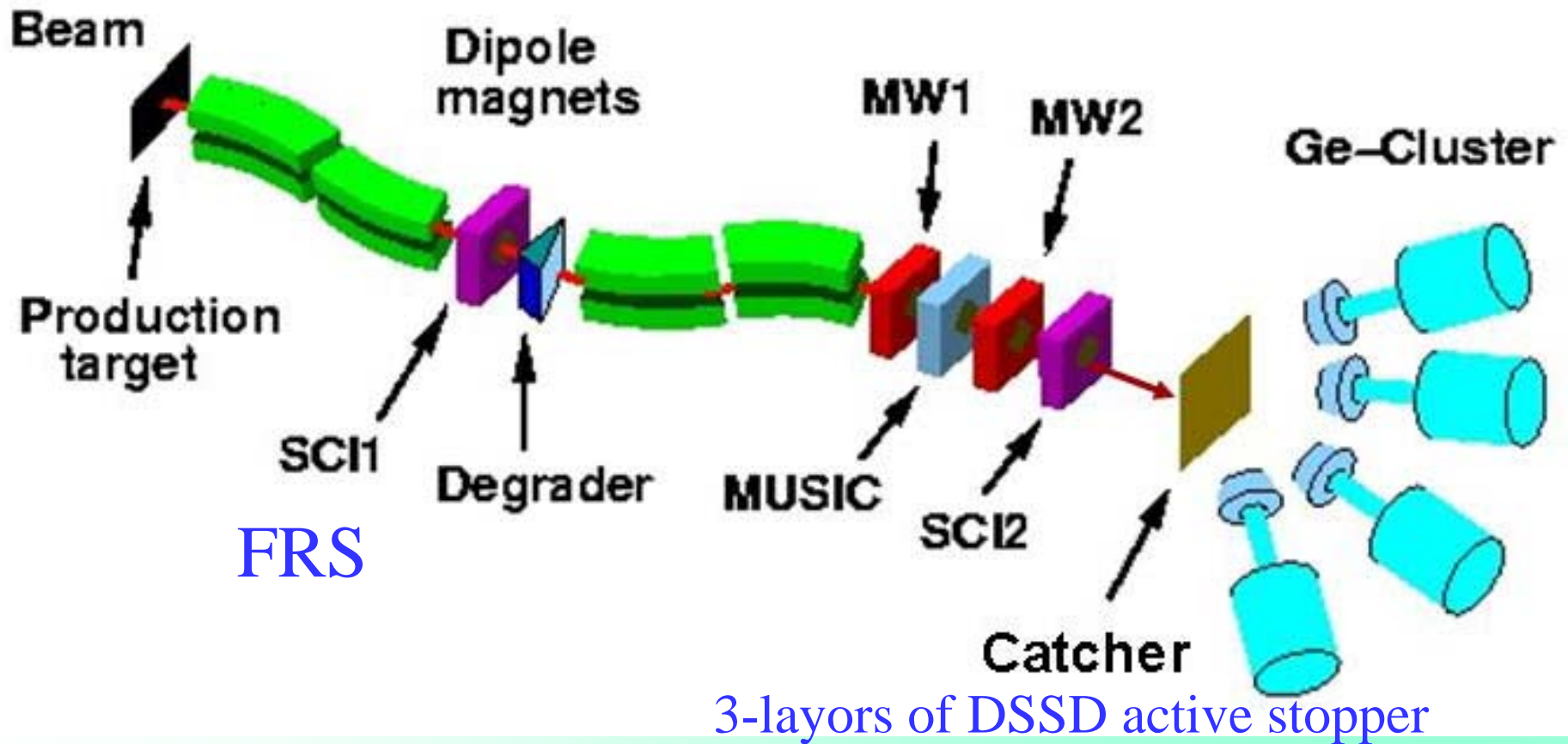
- at GSI (FRS facility)
- RISING (stopped beam campaign)



Measurement of delayed- $\gamma$  is important !



# GSI: RISING set up - active stopper campaign -



FRS

3-layers of DSSD active stopper



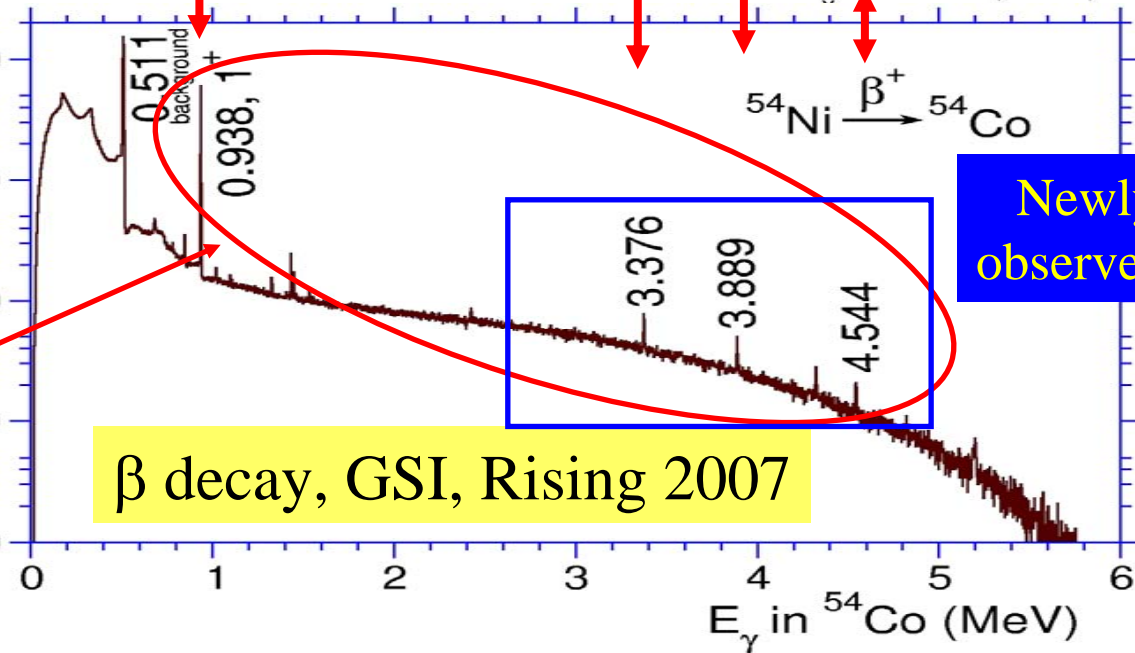
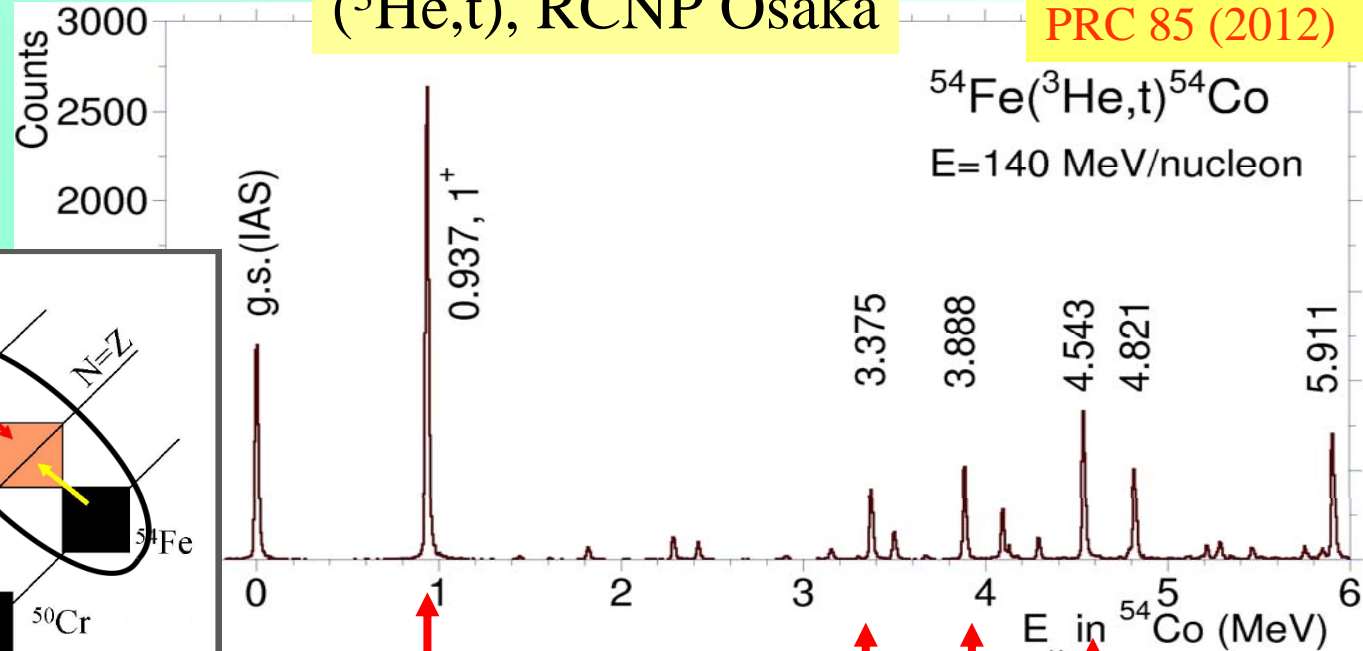
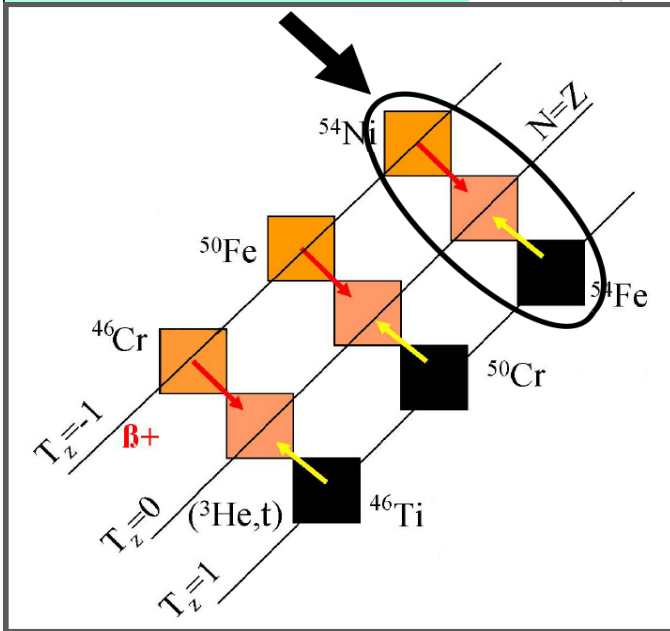
# GSI RISING set up



Active Beam Stopper Campaign  
July-August, 2007

$(^3\text{He},t)$ , RCNP Osaka

T. Adachi et al.,  
PRC 85 (2012)



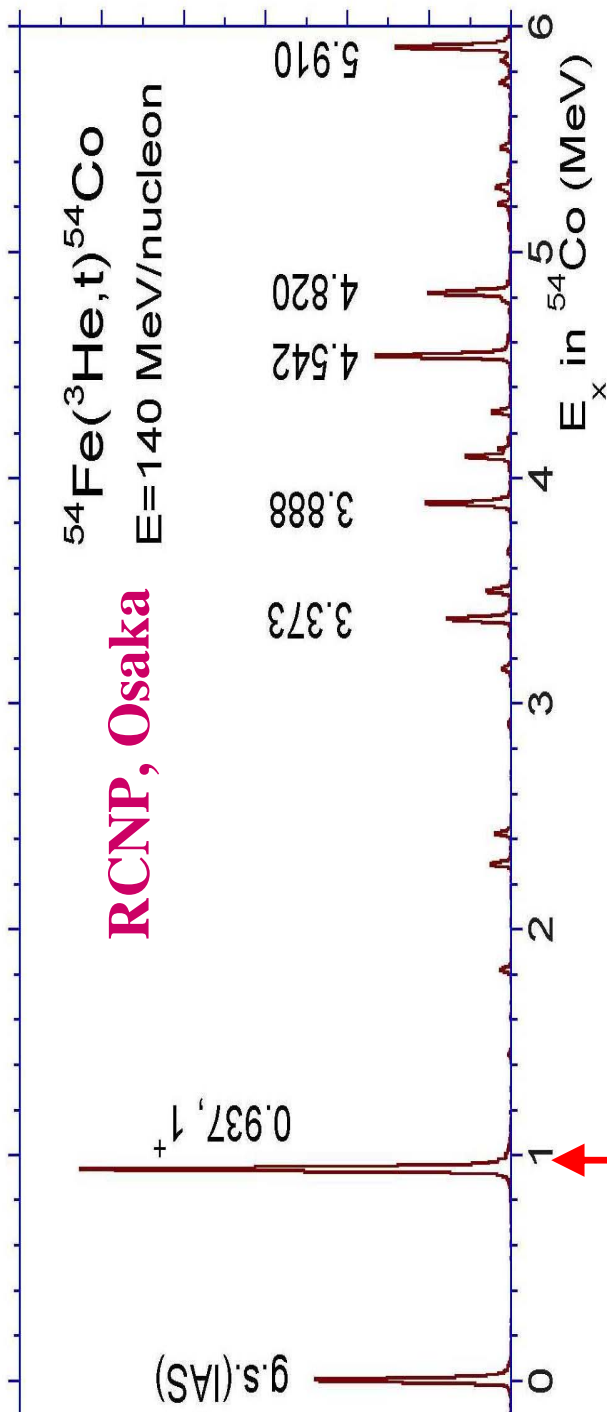
Newly  
observed !

Corresponding Transitions  
were observed  
in a wide  $E_x$  range !

$\beta$  decay, GSI, Rising 2007

Ph.D. F. Molina  
(Valencia, 2011)





**Comparison**

**B(GT)  $({}^3\text{He}, t)$**

**B(GT)  $\beta$ -decay**

0.46

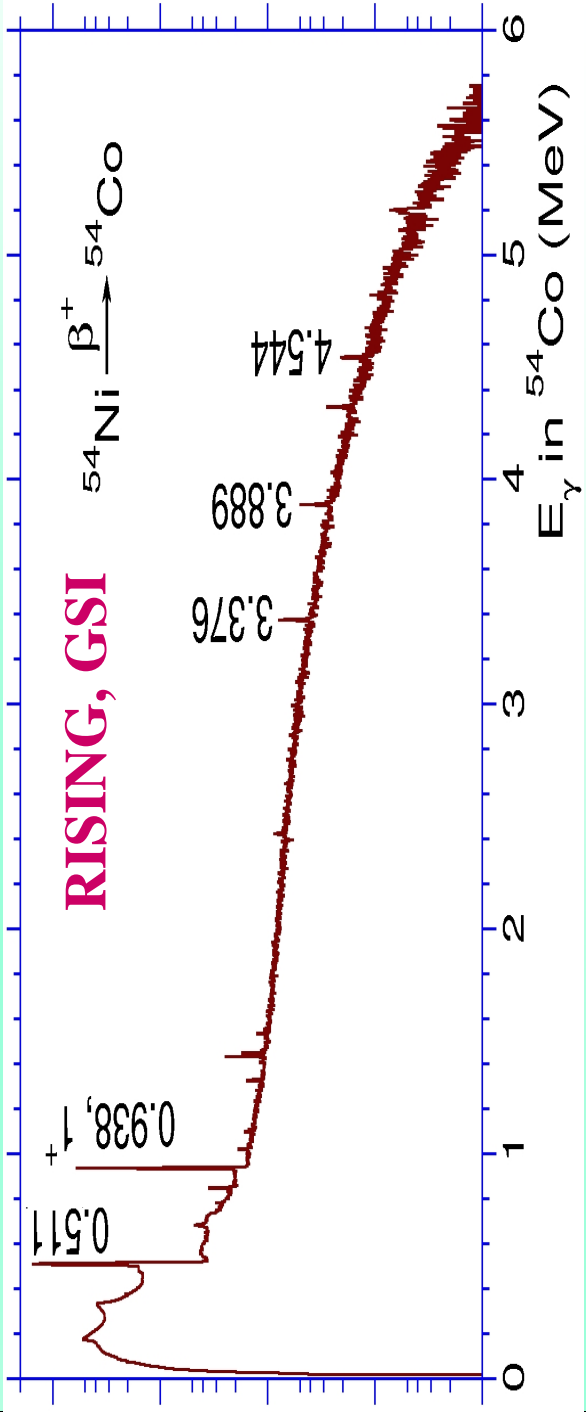
0.53

70.0

70.0

60.0

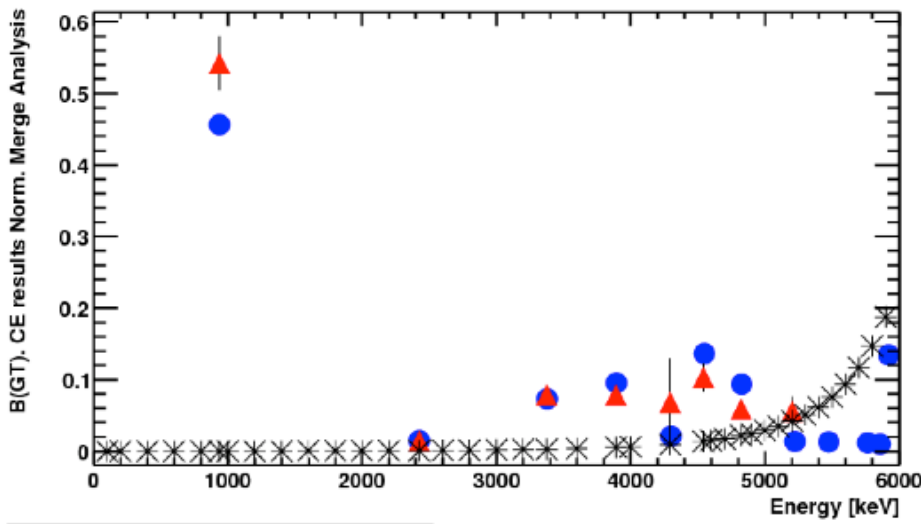
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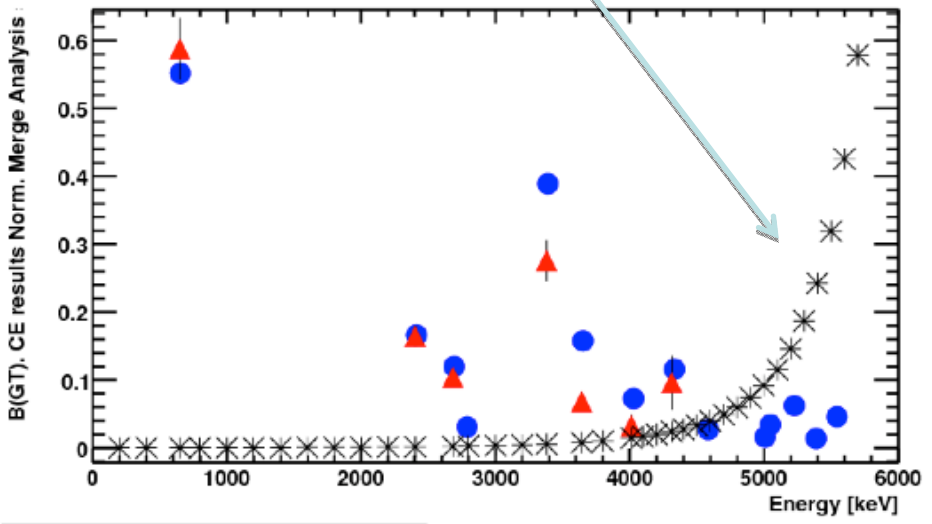
- ▲ B(GT+) Beta decay
- B(GT-) Charge Exchange

$$\text{Sensitivity limit} = \frac{1}{f \times E f f}$$

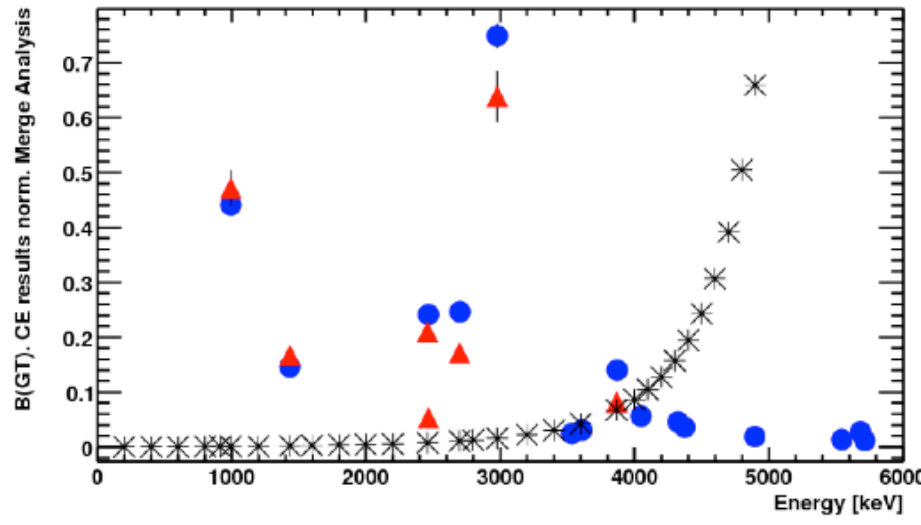
Mass 54 B(GT) Comparison



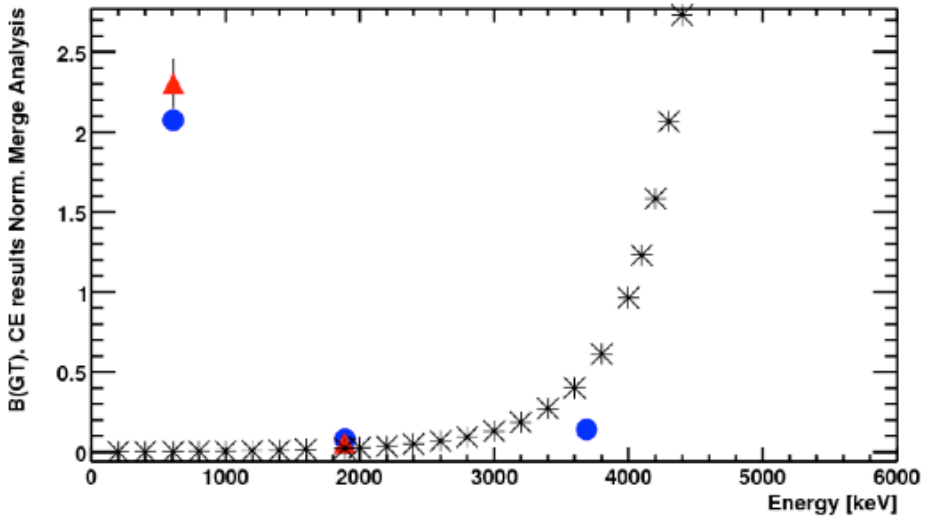
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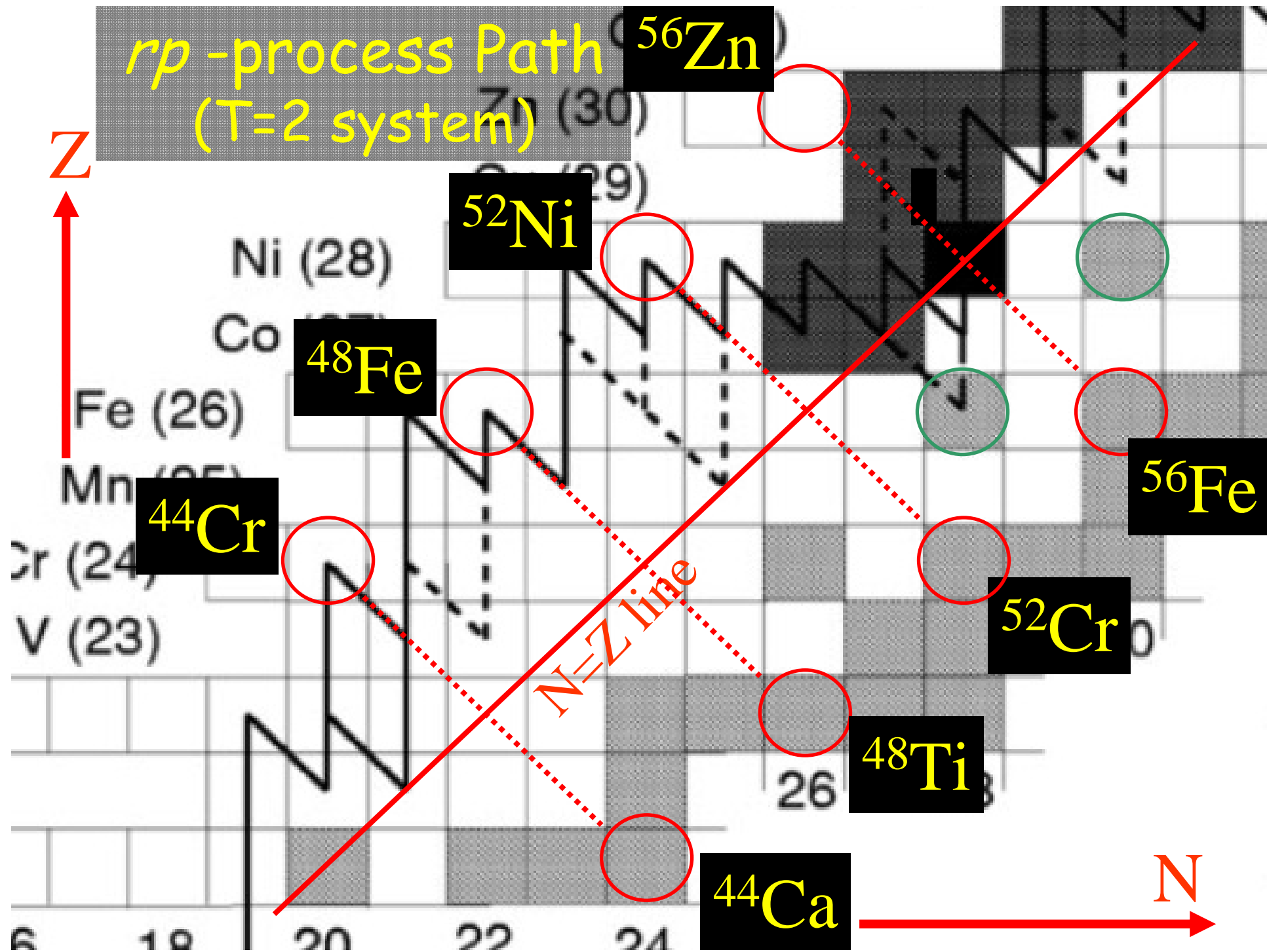


Mass 46 B(GT) Comparison



Mass 42 B(GT) Comparison



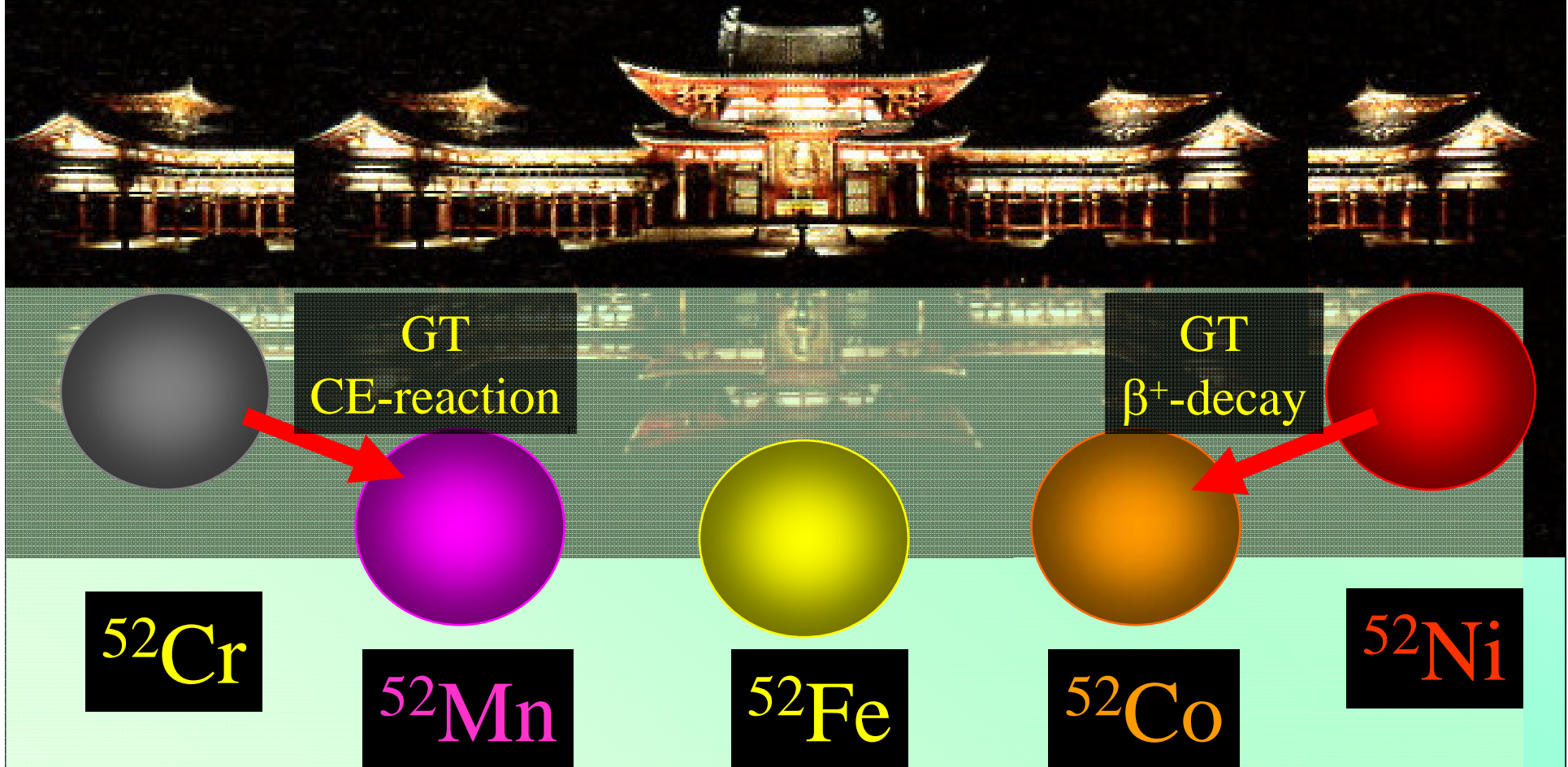


# Super-Byodoin 平等院



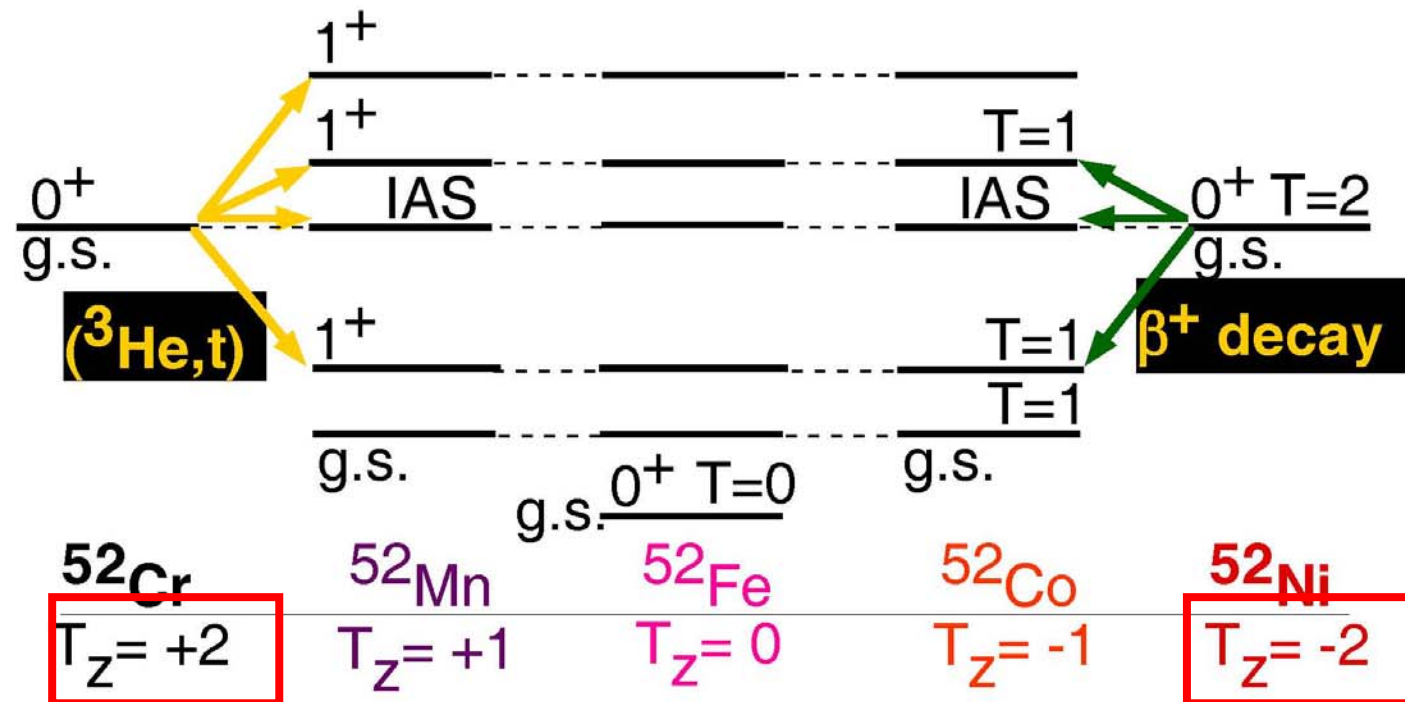
# Super-Byodoin 平等院

## T=2 Isospin Symmetry

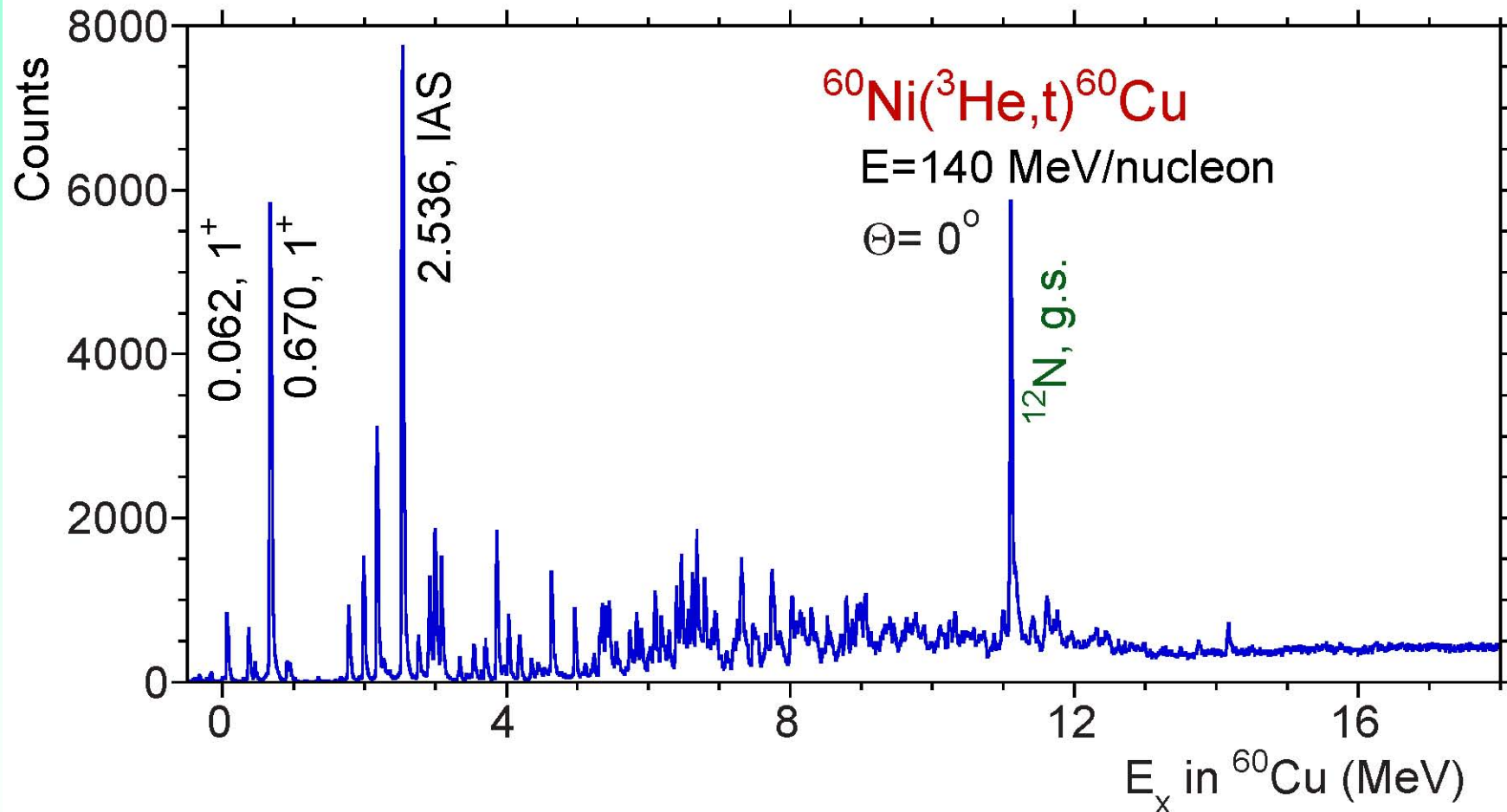




# Isospin Structure of T=2 system (low-lying states)

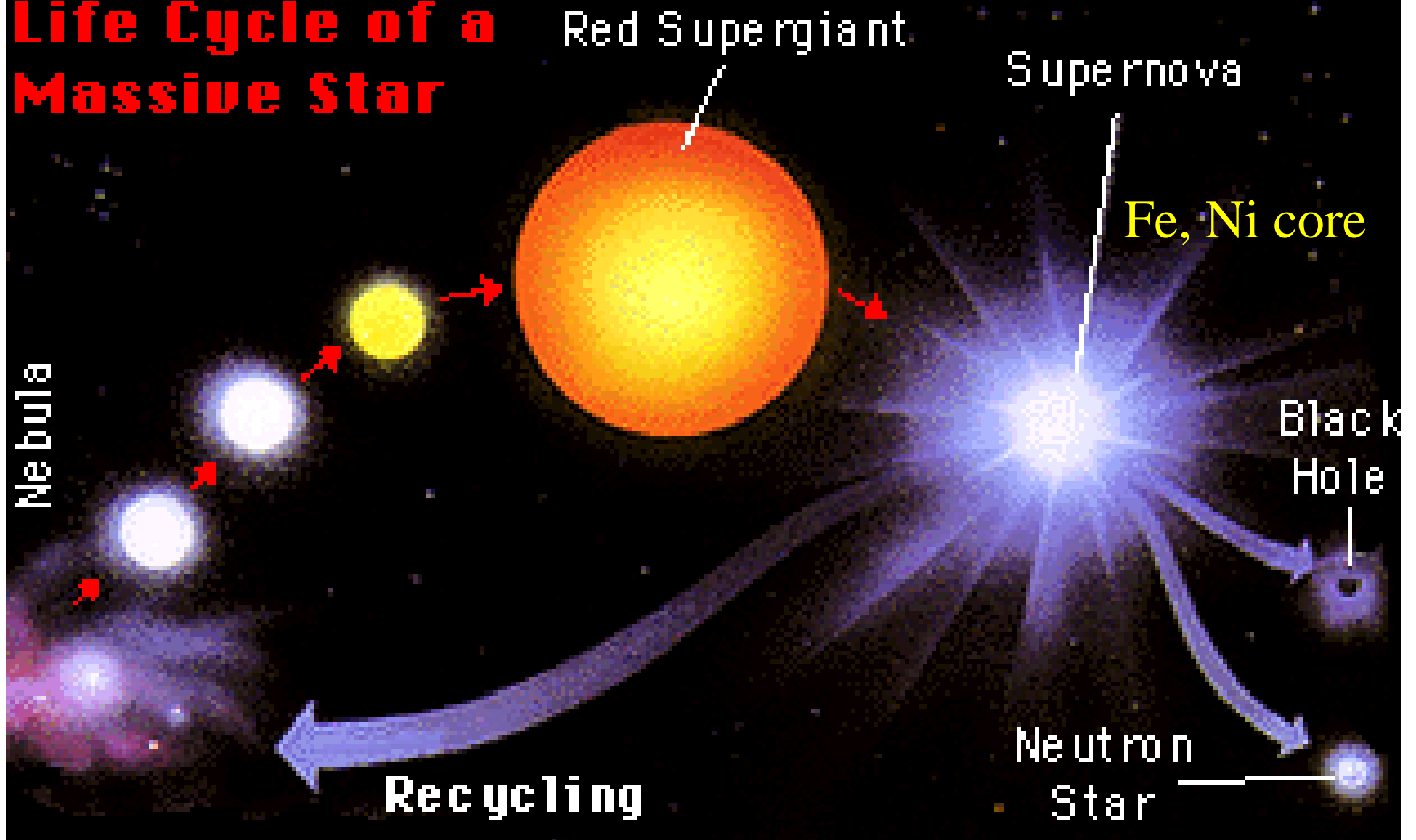


# $T_z = +2 \rightarrow +1$ GT strengths in $A=44-60$



# Supernova Cycle

## Life Cycle of a Massive Star



# Crucial Weak Processes during the Core Collapse

$\sigma\tau$ : important

$(A,Z)$ =nuclei in the Cr, Mn, Fe, Co, Ni region  
 $pf$ -shell Nuclei !

Langanke & Martinez-Pinedo  
 Rev.Mod.Phys.75('04)819

Balantekin & Fuller  
 J.Phys.G 29('03)2513

$$p + e^- \rightleftharpoons n + \nu_e,$$

$$n + e^+ \rightleftharpoons p + \bar{\nu}_e,$$

→  $(A, Z) + e^- \rightleftharpoons (A, Z-1) + \nu_e,$

→  $(A, Z) + e^+ \rightleftharpoons (A, Z+1) + \bar{\nu}_e,$

$$\nu + N \rightleftharpoons \nu + N,$$

$$N + N \rightleftharpoons N + N + \nu + \bar{\nu},$$

$$\nu + (A, Z) \rightleftharpoons \nu + (A, Z),$$

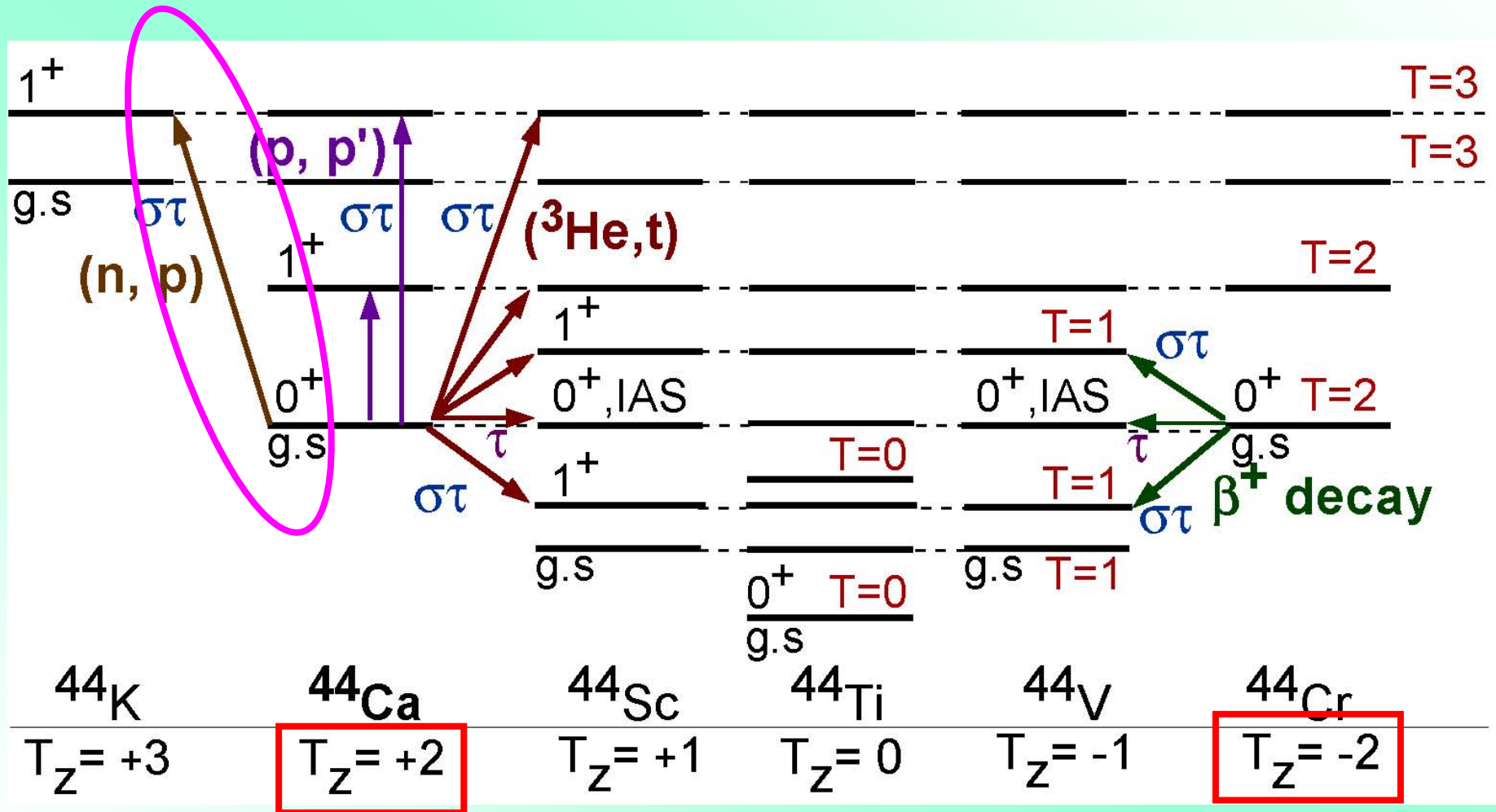
$$\nu + e^\pm \rightleftharpoons \nu + e^\pm,$$

$$\nu + (A, Z) \rightleftharpoons \nu + (A, Z)^*,$$

$$e^+ + e^- \rightleftharpoons \nu + \bar{\nu},$$

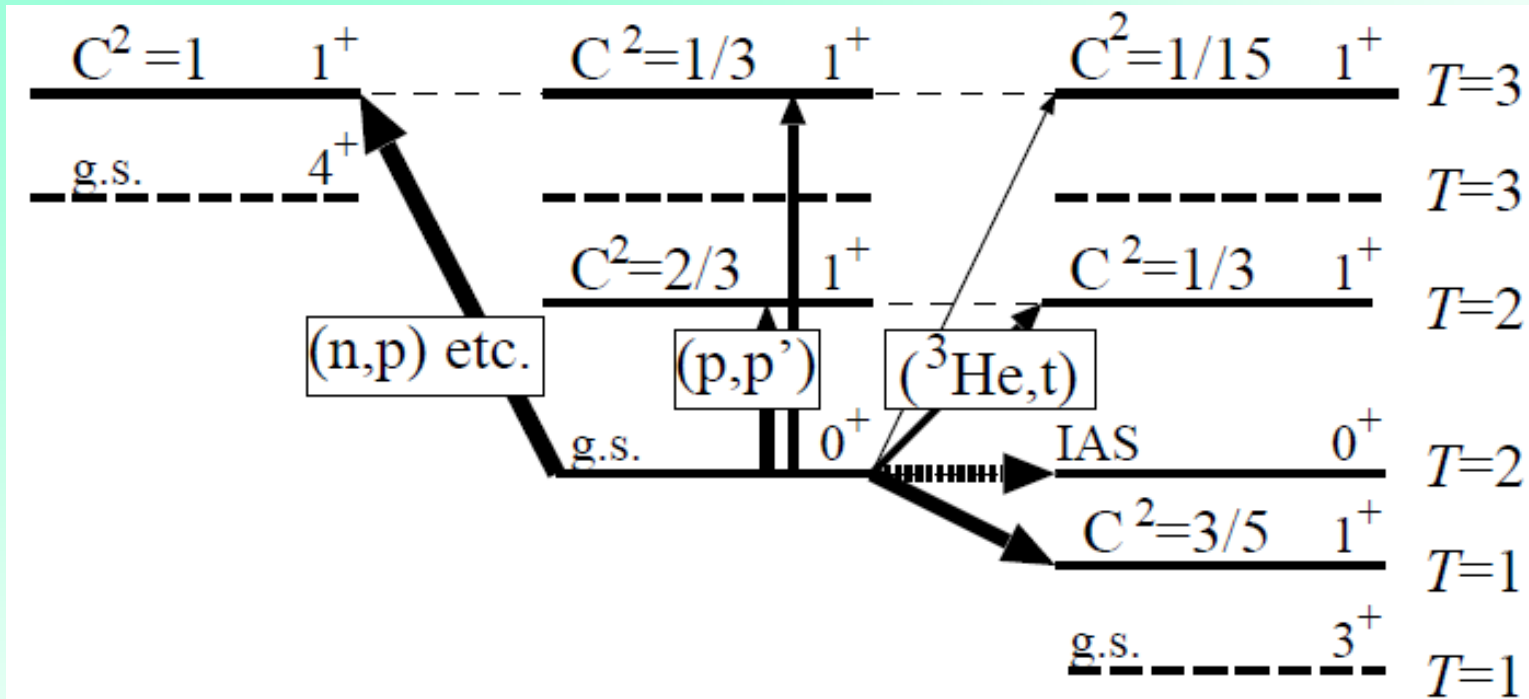
$$(A, Z)^* \rightleftharpoons (A, Z) + \nu + \bar{\nu}.$$

# Isospin Structure of T=2 system





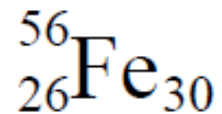
# Isospin Structure of T=2 system (CG-coefficients)



$$T_z = 3$$

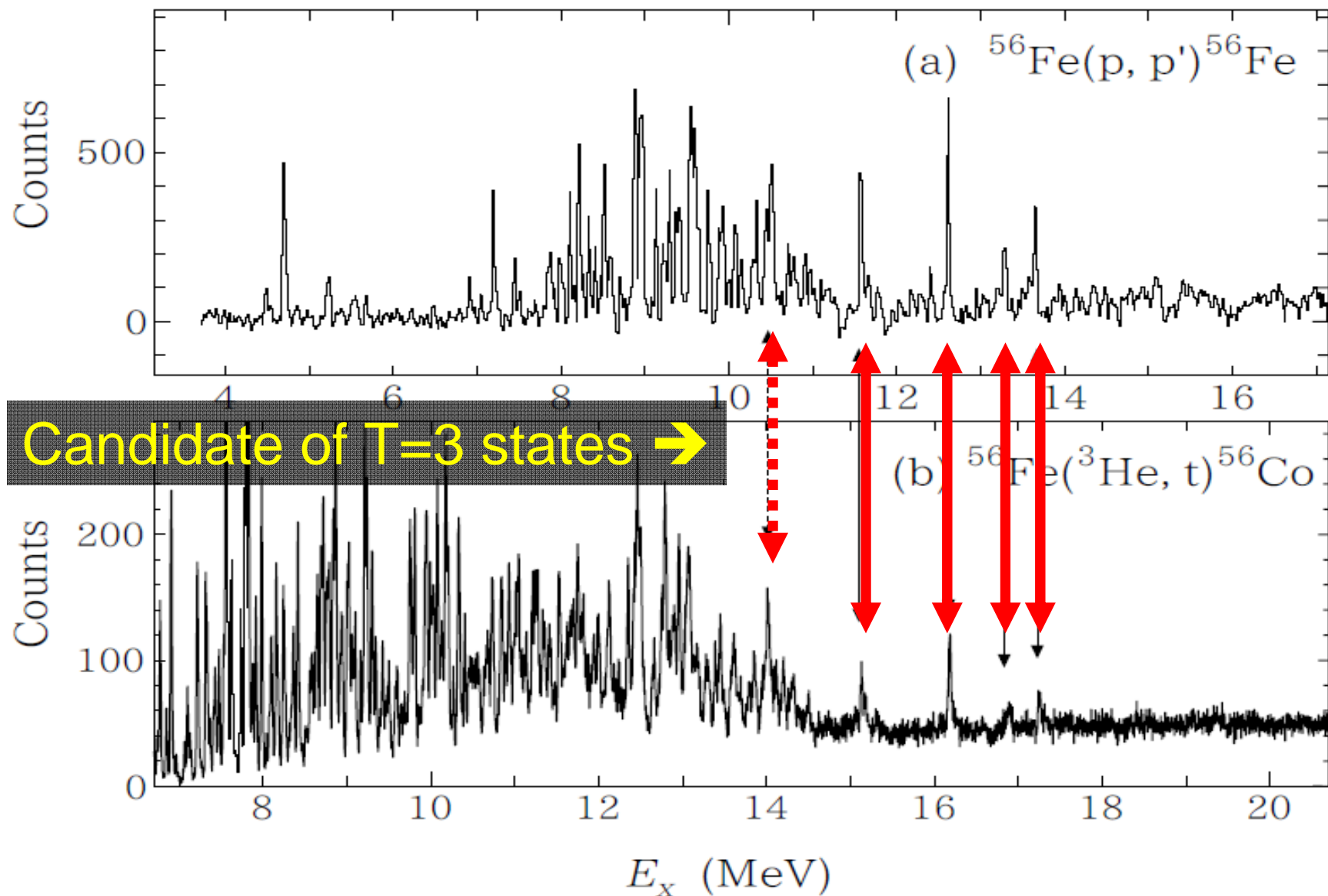
$$T_z = 2$$

$$T_z = 1$$

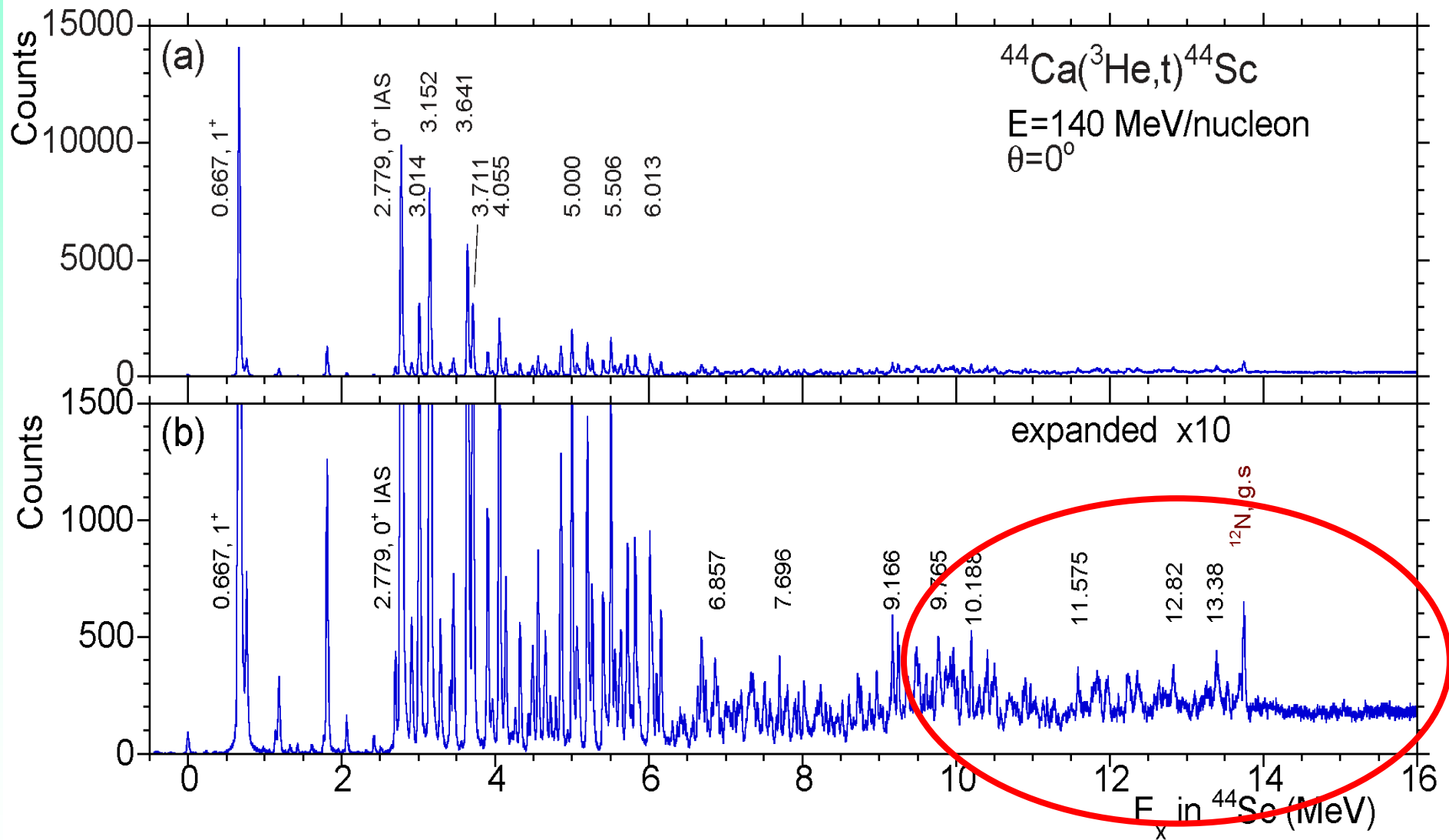


# T identification of GT states in A=56

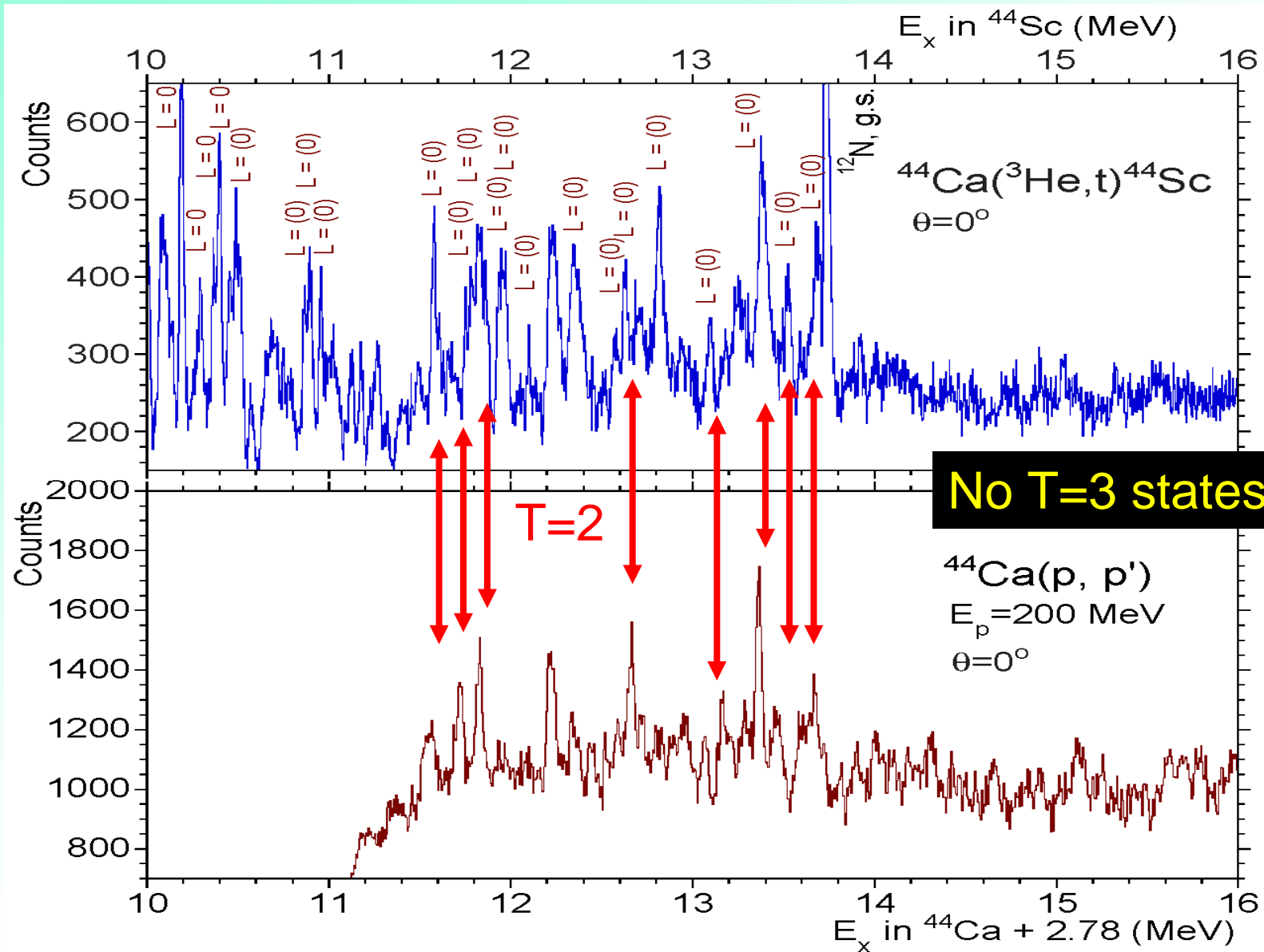
Y. Shimbara & H. Fujita



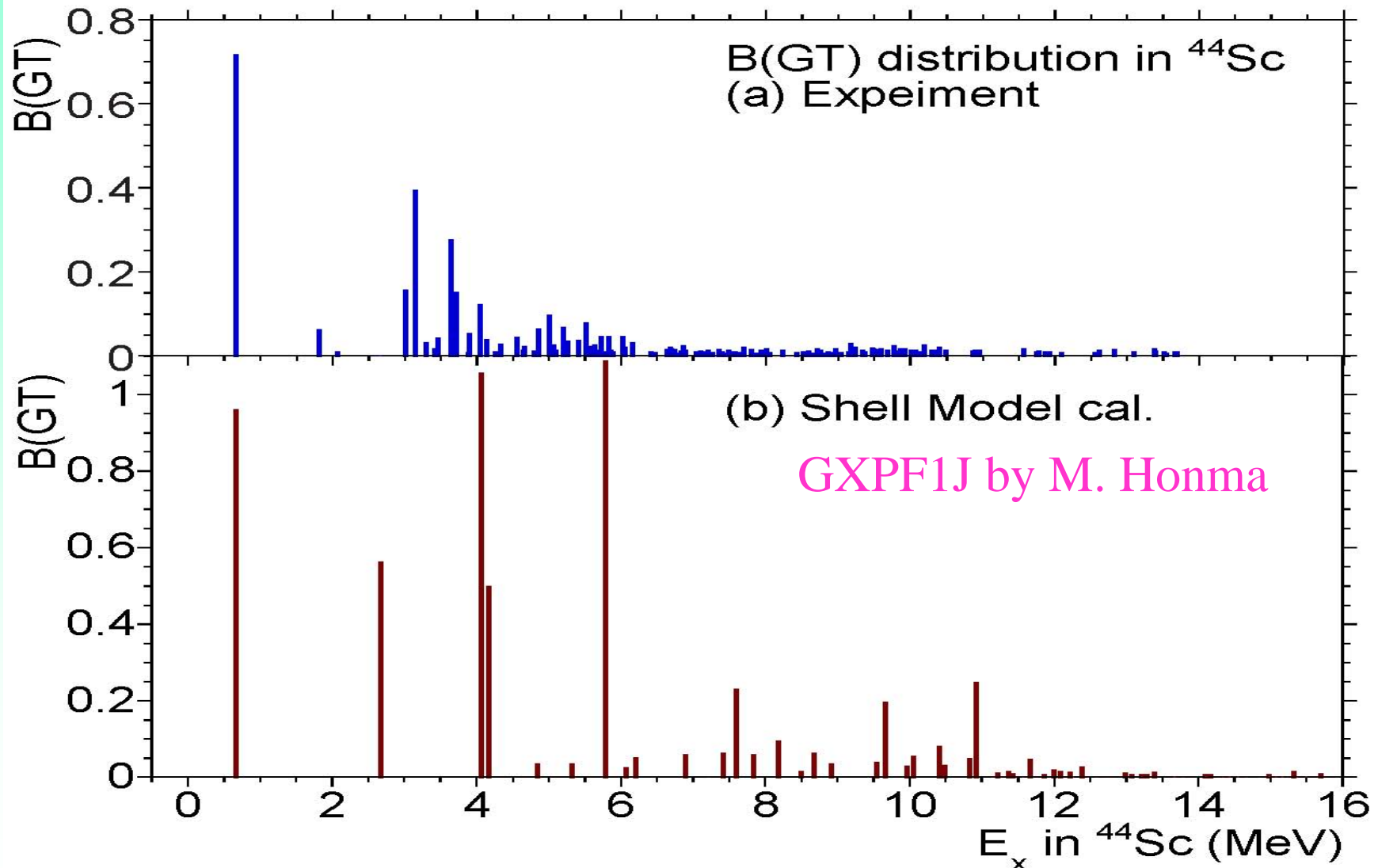
# $^{44}\text{Ca}(^3\text{He},t)^{44}\text{Sc}$ spectrum



# T identification of GT states in A=44

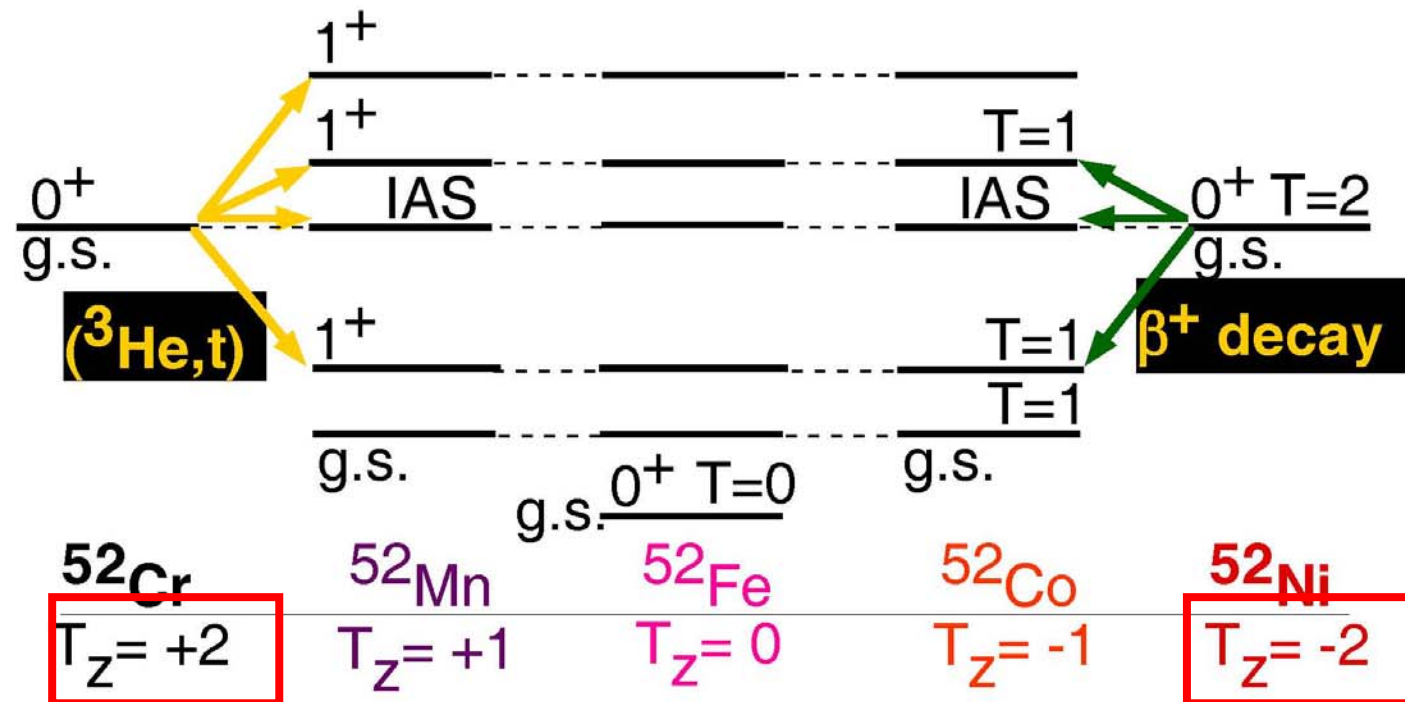


# Comparison B(GT): ( $^3\text{He},t$ ) exp vs. SM cal.



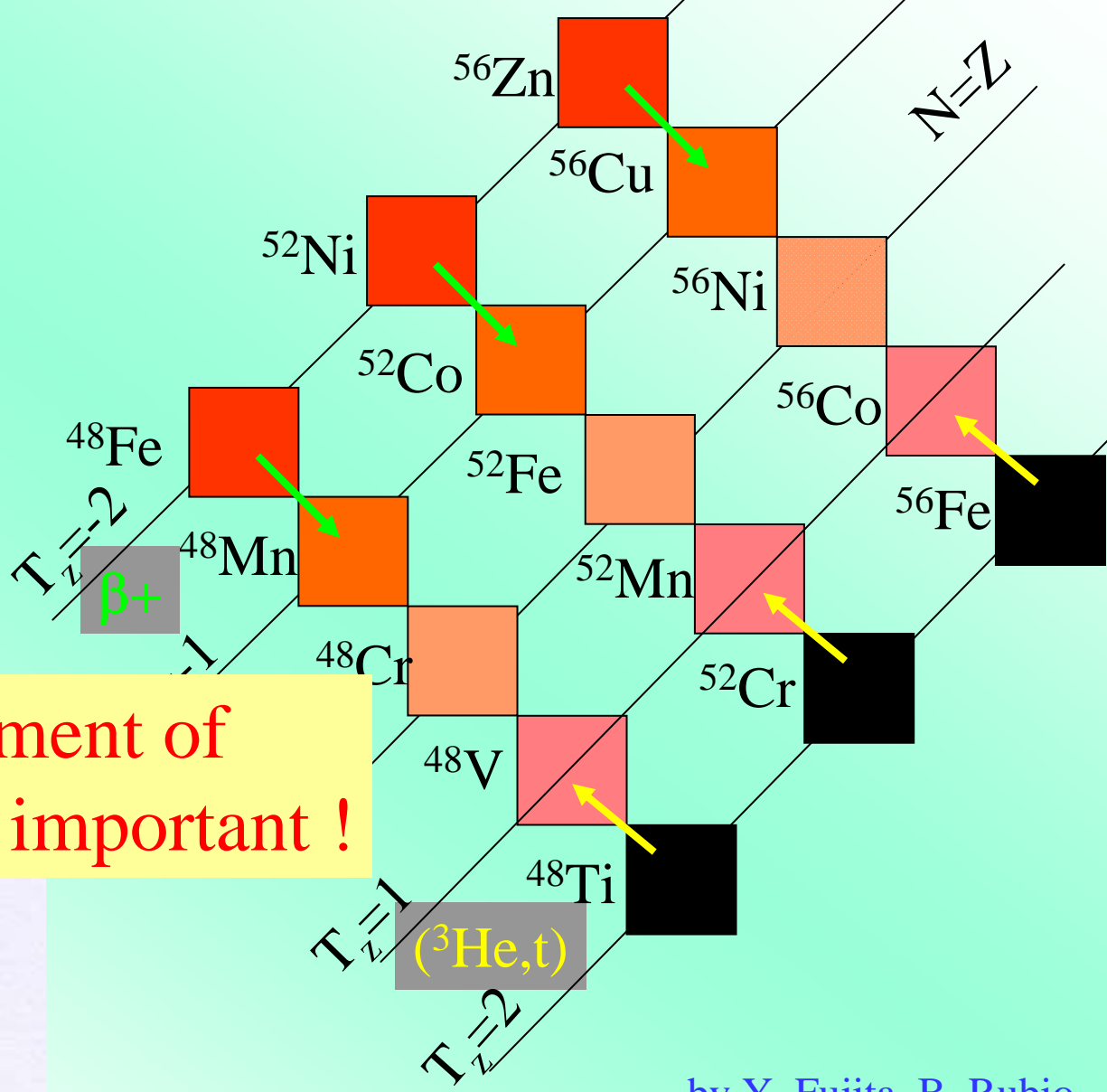
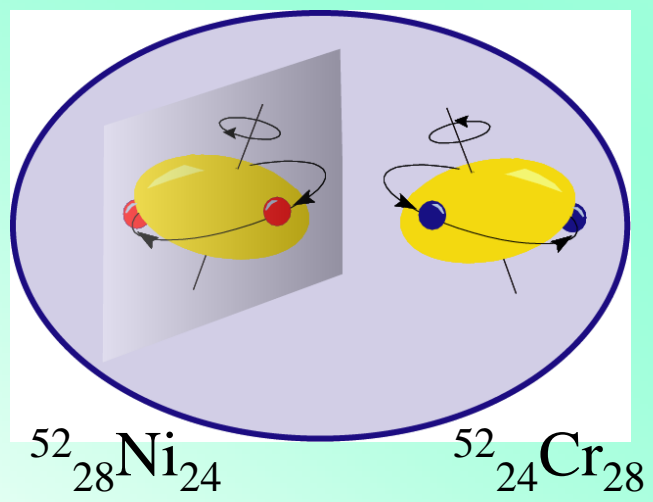


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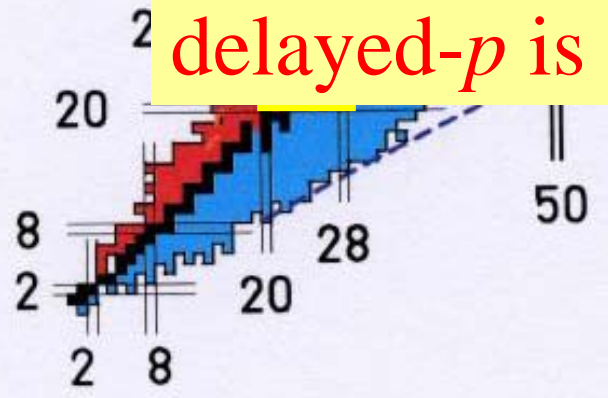


# T = 2 Isospin Symmetry in *pf*-shell Nuclei

**Mirror nuclei**

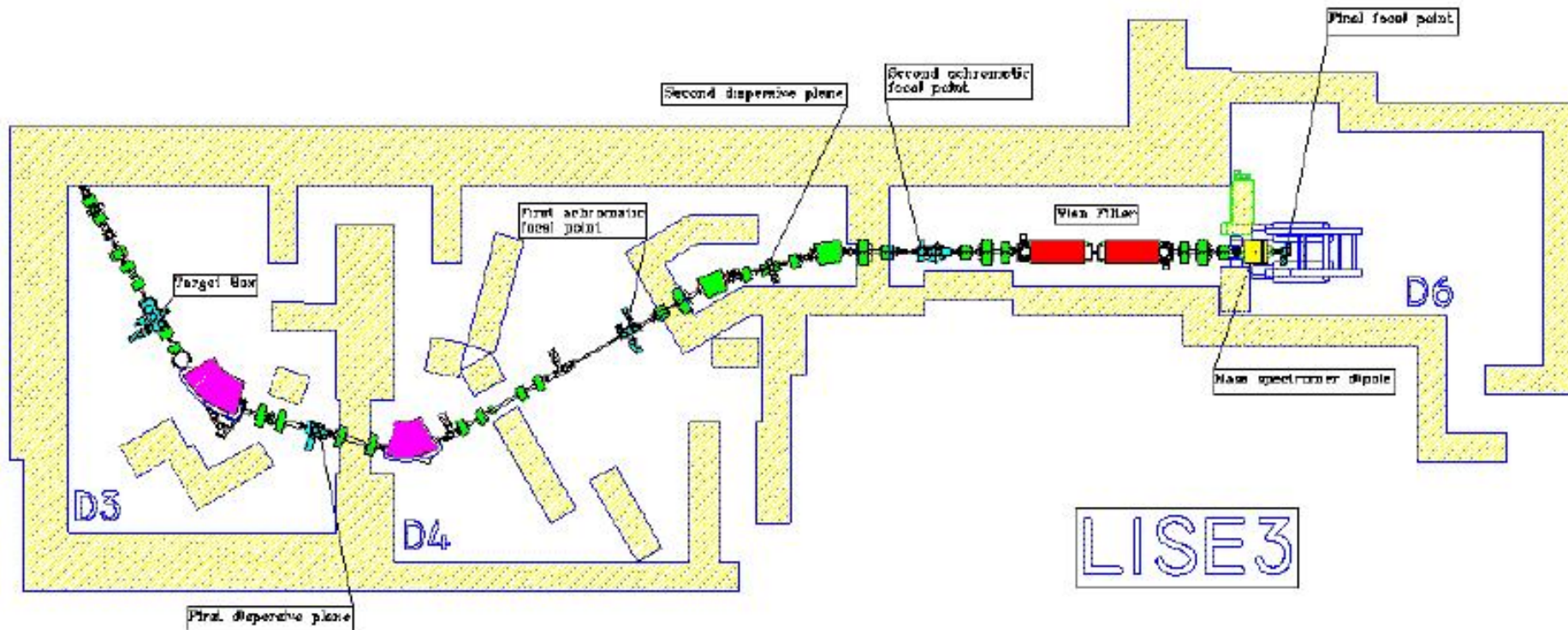


**Measurement of delayed-*p* is important !**



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# GANIL LISE3 fragment separator



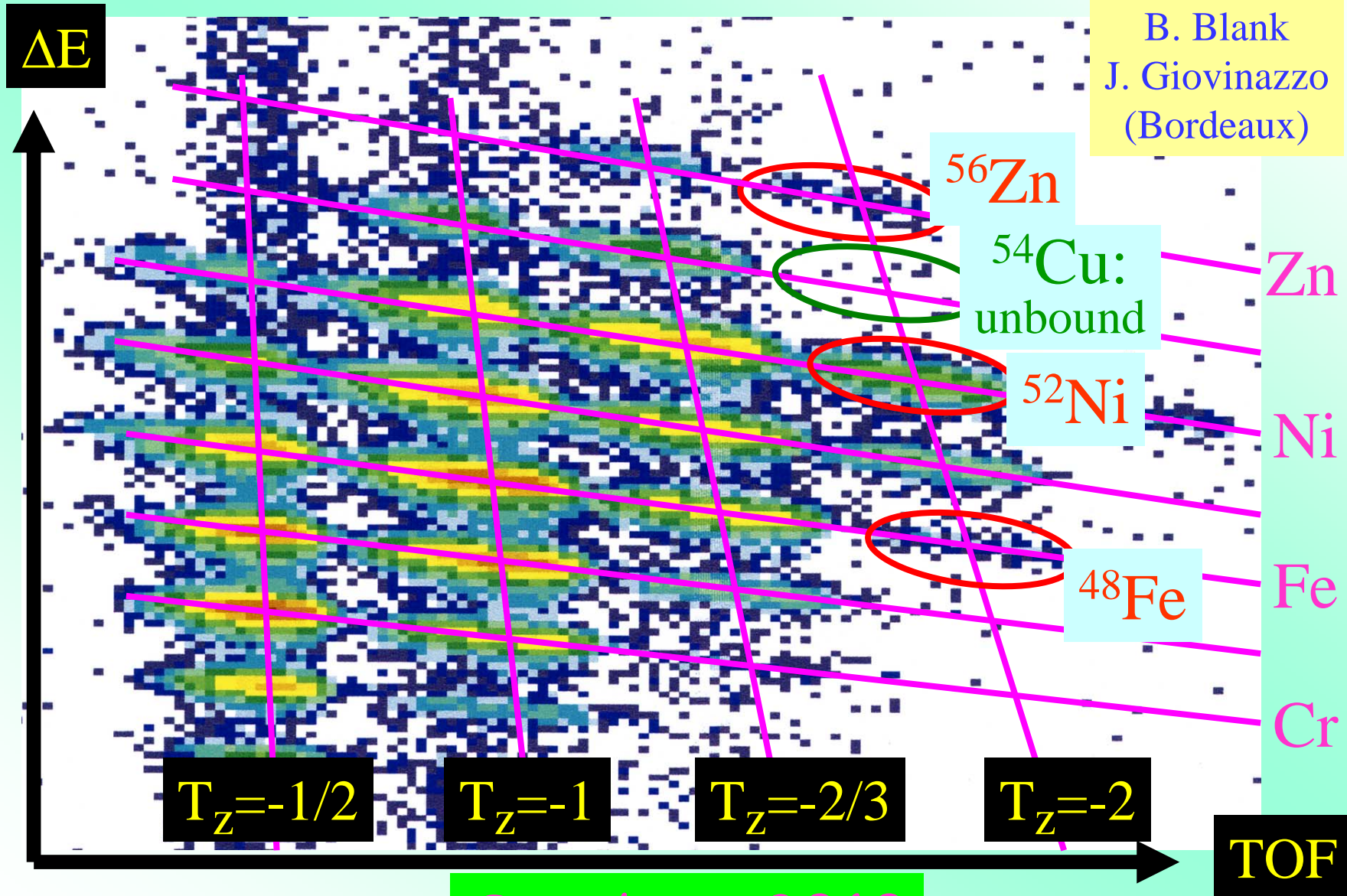
$^{58}\text{Ni}$  beam:  $\sim 79\text{MeV/u}$ ,  $3.5\text{ e}\mu\text{A}$ , production target: Ni

*p*-decay: by DSSD,  $\gamma$ -decay: by Ge detectors



# TOF- $\Delta E$ Particle Id. LISE3 GANIL

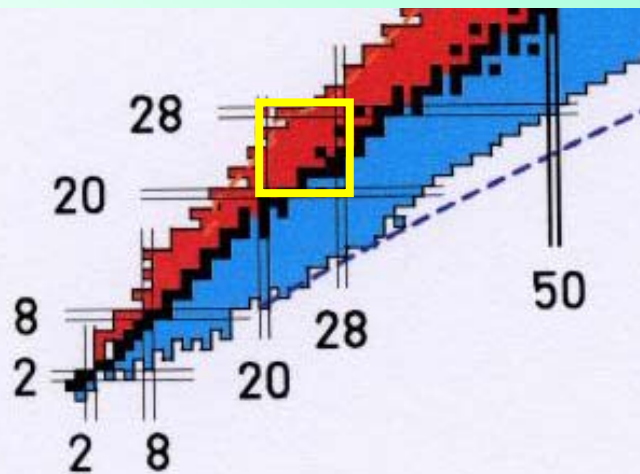
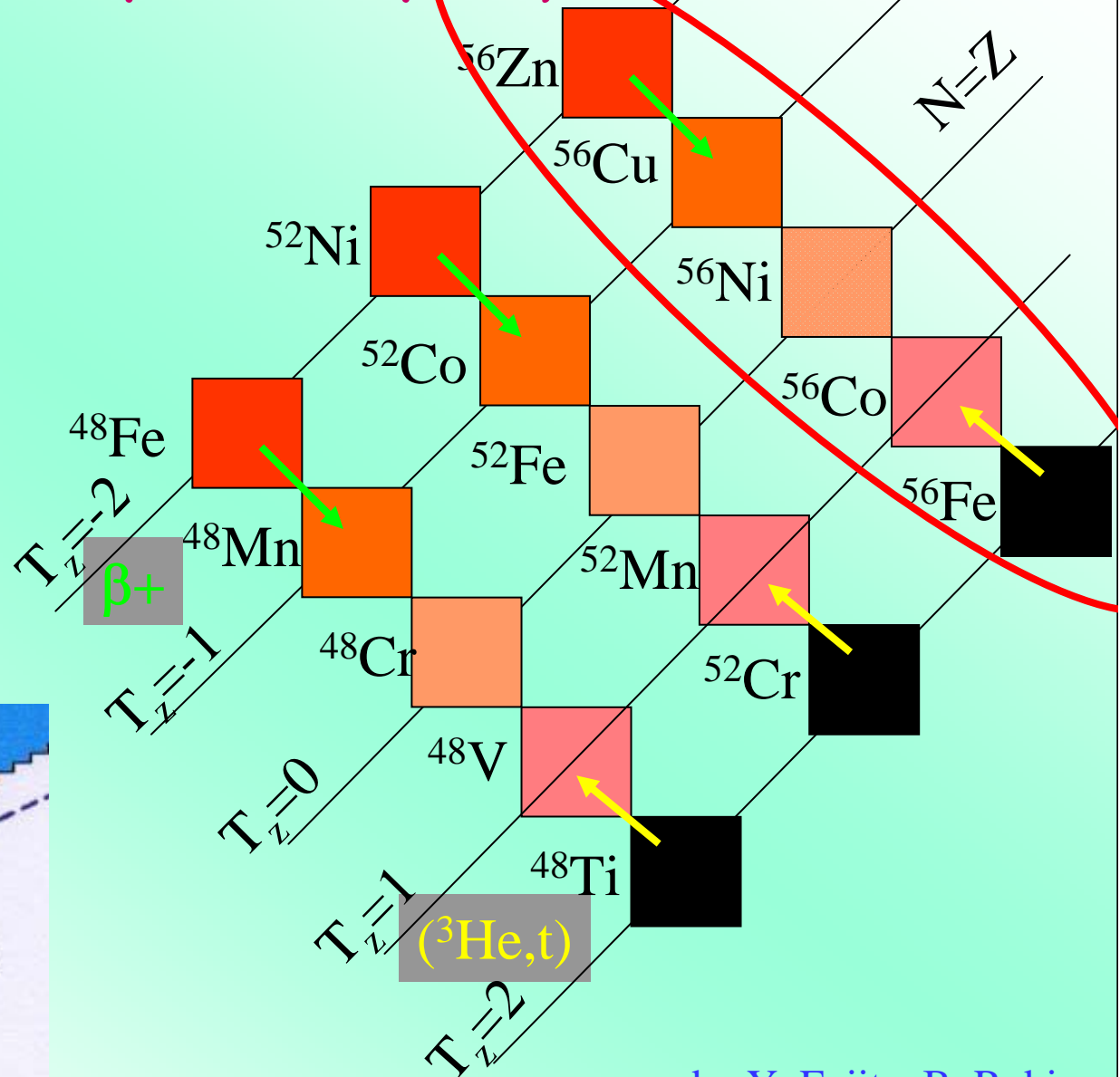
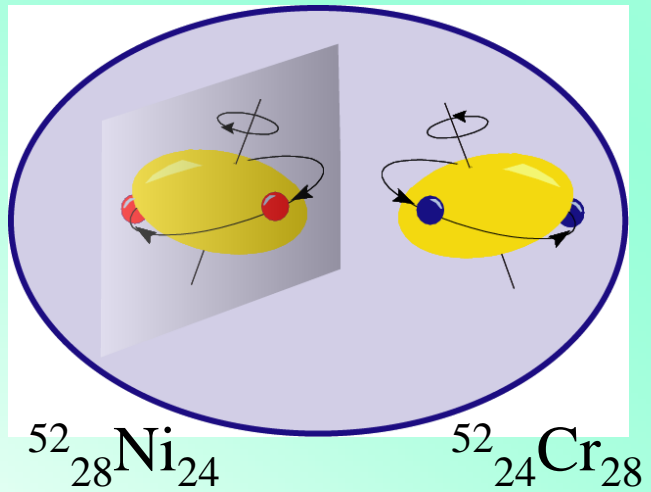
B. Blank  
J. Giovinazzo  
(Bordeaux)



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# T = 2 Isospin Symmetry in *pf*-shell Nuclei

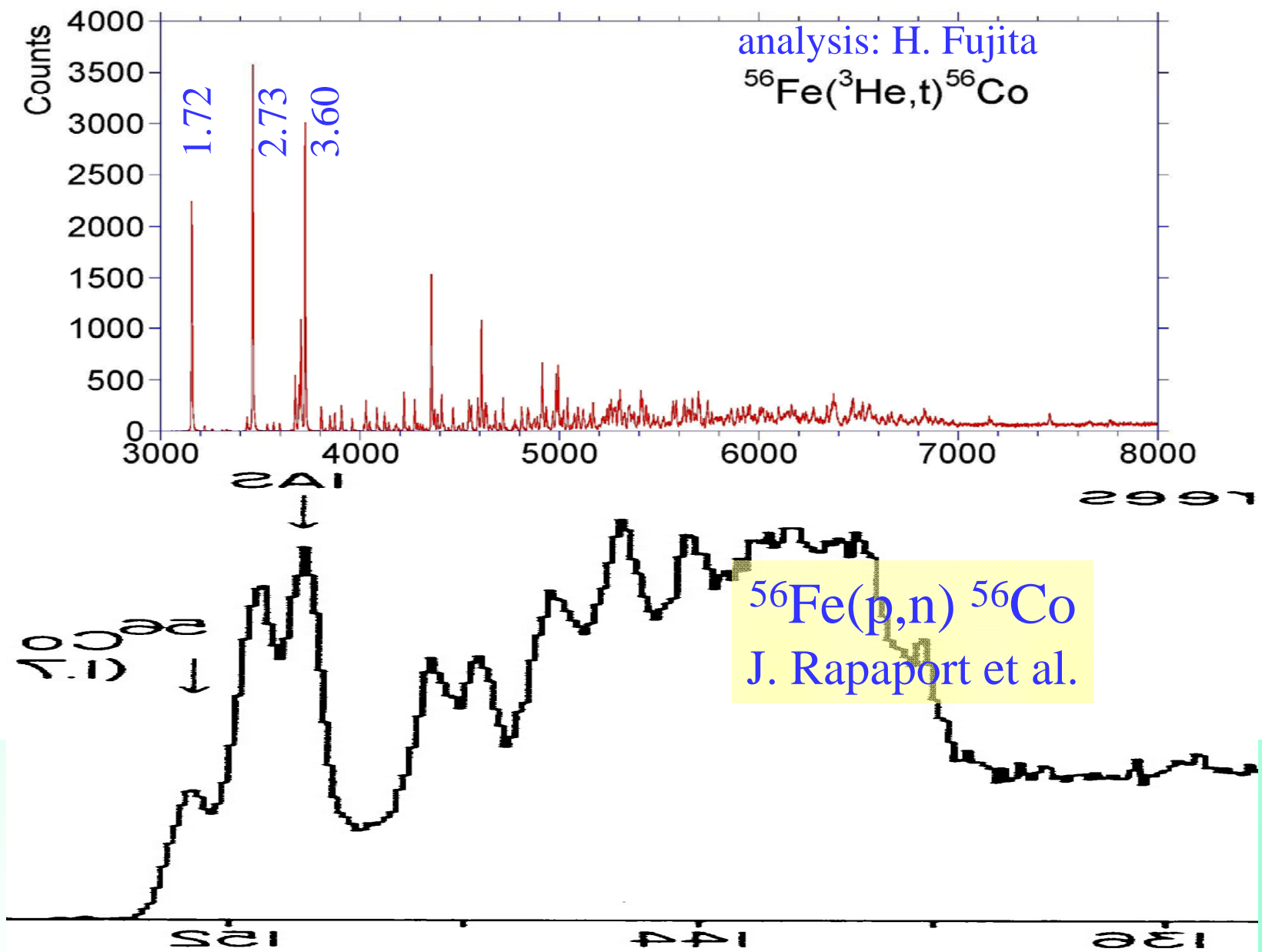
## Mirror nuclei



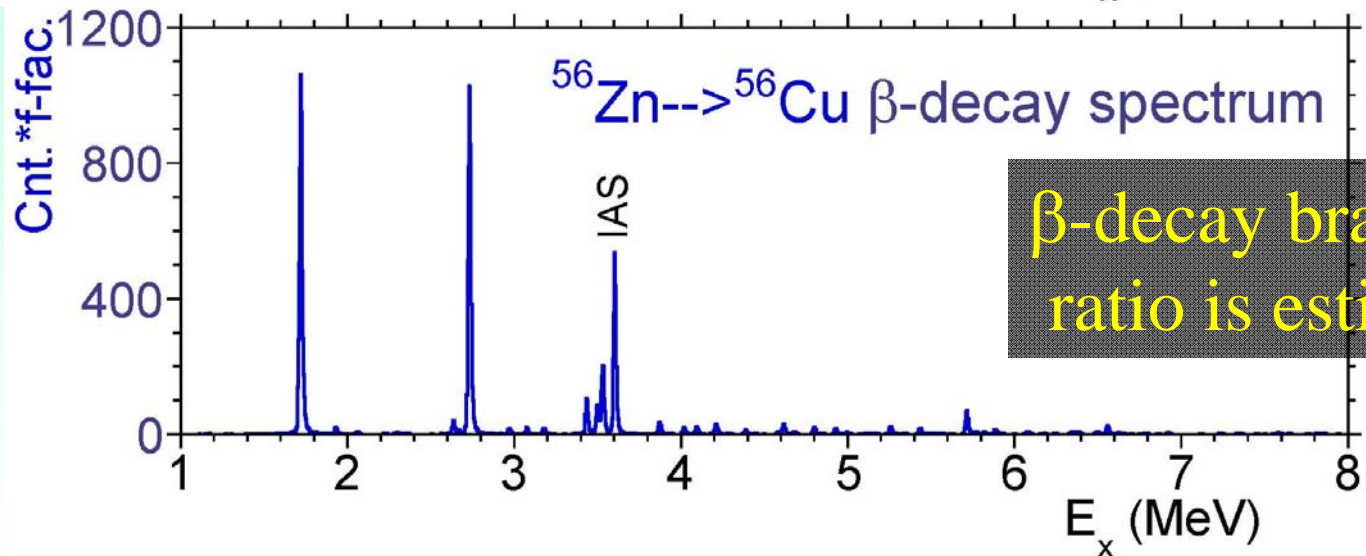
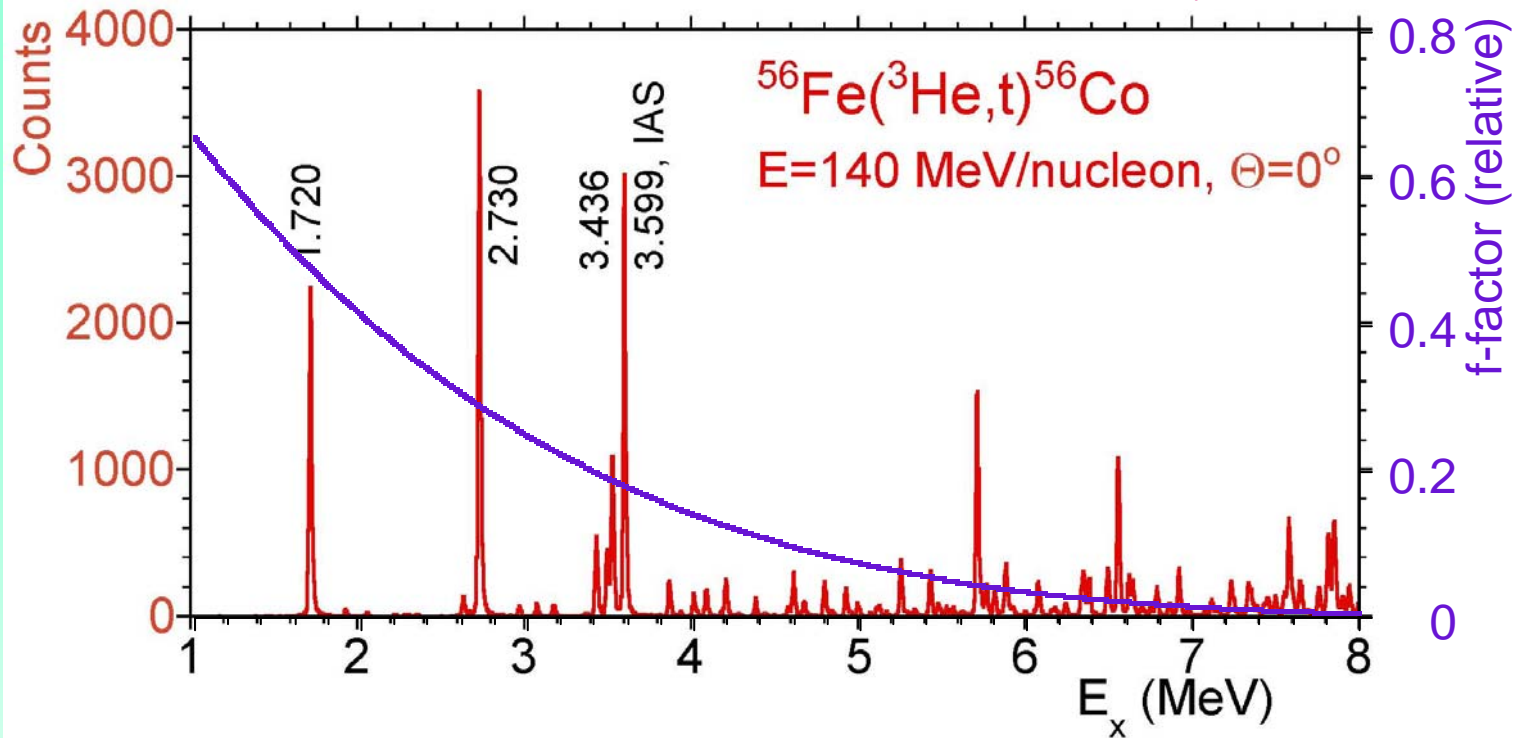
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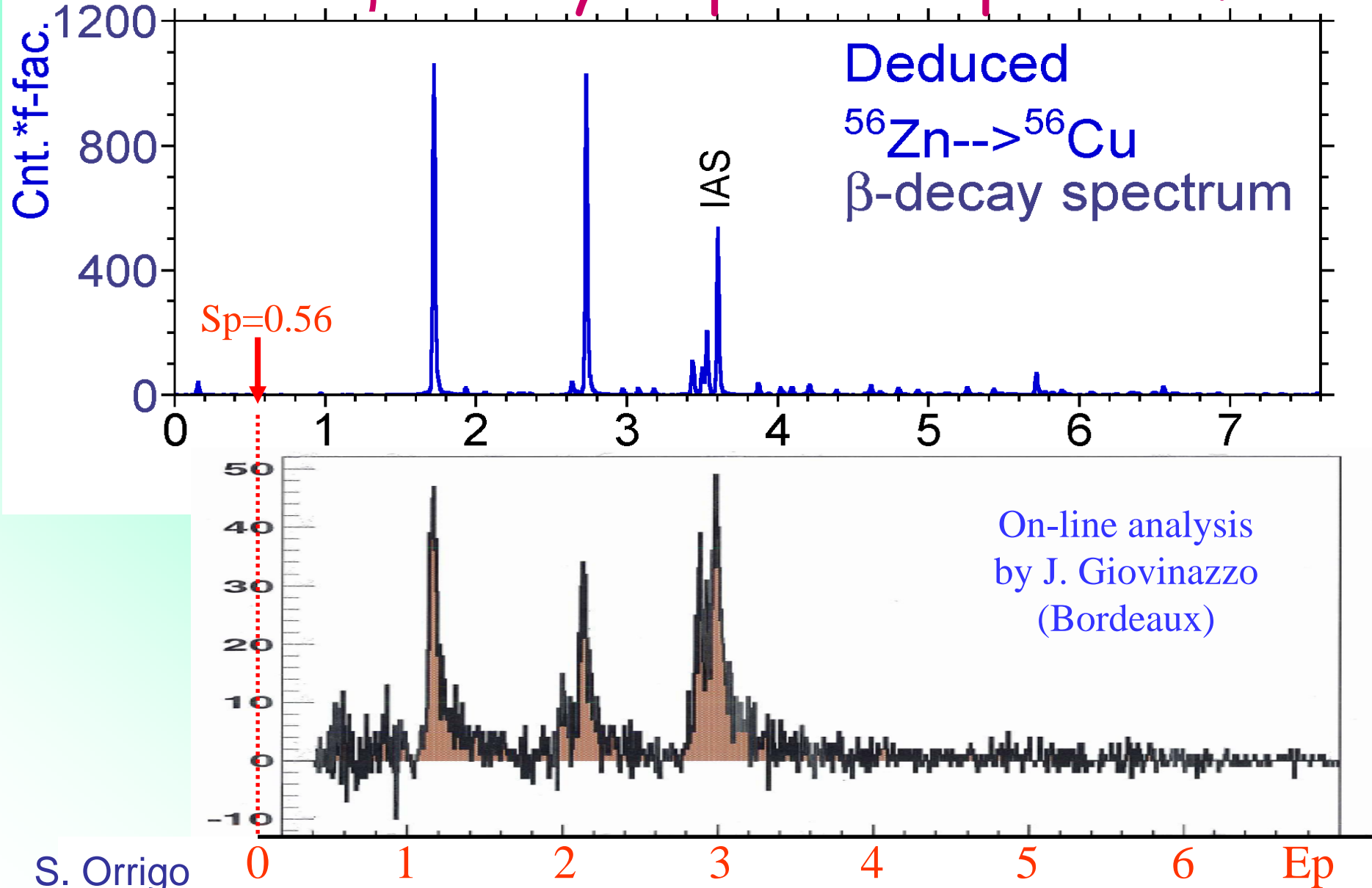
# $^{56}\text{Fe}(p,n)^{56}\text{Co}$ & $^{56}\text{Fe}(^3\text{He,t})^{56}\text{Co}$



# $^{56}\text{Fe}(^3\text{He},t)$ and $^{56}\text{Zn}$ $\beta$ -decay



# $^{56}\text{Zn}$ $\beta$ -delayed proton spectrum



S. Orrigo  
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GANIL, October, 2010

# Summary

GT ( $\sigma\tau$ ) operator : a simple operator !

- \* GT transitions: sensitive to the structure of  $|i\rangle$  and  $|f\rangle$
- \* Isospin quantum number  $T$  plays an important role

High resolution of the ( $^3\text{He},t$ ) reaction

- \* Width & fine structures of GT transitions
- \* Precise comparison with mirror  $\beta$ -decay results

- GT transitions in each nucleus are UNIQUE !
- Assuming T-symmetry → GT in unstable nuclei !

**GT transitions:  
- transitions with full of personality -**

# GT-study Collaborations

Bordeaux (France) :  $\beta$  decay

GANIL (France) :  $\beta$  decay

Gent (Belgium) : ( $^3\text{He}$ , t), (d,  $^2\text{He}$ ), ( $\gamma$ ,  $\gamma'$ ), theory

GSI, Darmstadt (Germany) :  $\beta$  decay, theory

ISOLDE, CERN (Switzerland) :  $\beta$  decay

iThemba LABS. (South Africa) : (p, p'), ( $^3\text{He}$ , t)

Istanbul (Turkey): ( $^3\text{He}$ , t),  $\beta$  decay

Jyvaskyla (Finland) :  $\beta$  decay

Koeln (Germany) :  $\gamma$  decay, ( $^3\text{He}$ , t), theory

KVI, Groningen (The Netherlands) : (d,  $^2\text{He}$ )

Leuven (Belgium) :  $\beta$  decay

LTH, Lund (Sweden) : theory

Osaka University (Japan) : (p, p'), ( $^3\text{He}$ , t), theory

Surrey (GB) :  $\beta$  decay

TU Darmstadt (Germany) : (e, e'), ( $^3\text{He}$ , t)

Valencia (Spain) :  $\beta$  decay

Michigan State University (USA) : theory, (t,  $^3\text{He}$ )

Muenster (Germany) : (d,  $^2\text{He}$ ), ( $^3\text{He}$ ,t)

Univ. Tokyo and CNS (Japan) : theory,  $\beta$  decay



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