

# ***Physics of level density and thermalization***

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**Work in progress**

- **Thermalization, Quantum Chaos,** and Level Density
- Shell model and **Moments method**
- **“Constant temperature”** model

**Many-body quantum system with no random elements,  
internally developed chaotic behavior**

**In physical terms, one may say that quantum  
thermalization occurs in the Hilbert space rather than  
phase space**

**/T. Mori et al. J. Phys. B51, 112001 (2018)./**

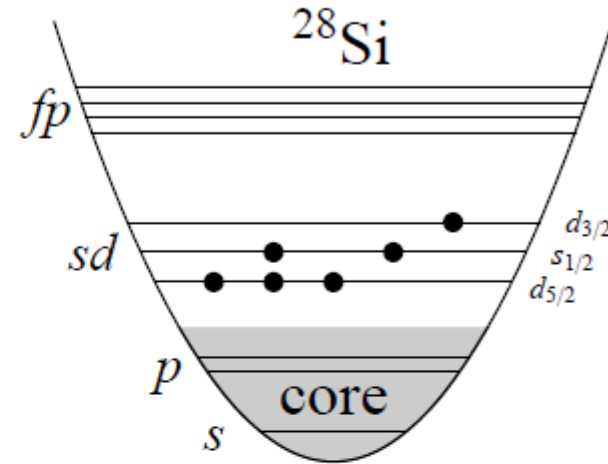
**General method – diagonalization of Hamiltonian matrix**

**“Eigenfunction thermalization hypothesis” – read Landau and Lifshits**

## Microscopic description of Nuclear Level Density

### Shell model (the most successful)

- ▶ Restricted model space  
 $\text{Dim}(sd) \sim 10^6$   
 $\text{Dim}(fp) \sim 10^{10}$
- ▶ Need effective interaction
- ▶ Numerical diagonalization
- ▶ High accuracy:  $\delta E \sim \pm 200 \text{KeV}$



### How it works:

$$\text{Many-body states in Shell Model: } |\alpha\rangle = \sum_{k=1}^{\text{Dim}} C_k^\alpha |k\rangle.$$

$$\text{Schrödinger equation: } \hat{H}|\alpha\rangle = E_\alpha|\alpha\rangle \Rightarrow \hat{H}\vec{C}_\alpha = E_\alpha\vec{C}_\alpha.$$

# FAMILY OF ENTROPIES FOR A MESOSCOPIC SYSTEM

- THERMODYNAMIC (*Boltzmann*)

$$\rho(E) \propto \exp(S_{\text{th}})$$

- QUASIPARTICLE (*Landau Fermi-liquid*)

$$S_{\text{s.p.}}^{\alpha} = -\sum_i \{n_i^{\alpha} \ln(n_i^{\alpha}) + (1 - n_i^{\alpha}) \ln(1 - n_i^{\alpha})\}$$

- INFORMATION (*Shannon*)

$$|\alpha\rangle = \sum_k C_k^{\alpha} |k\rangle, \quad S_{\text{inf}}^{\alpha} = -\sum_k \{|C_k^{\alpha}|^2 \ln |C_k^{\alpha}|^2\}$$

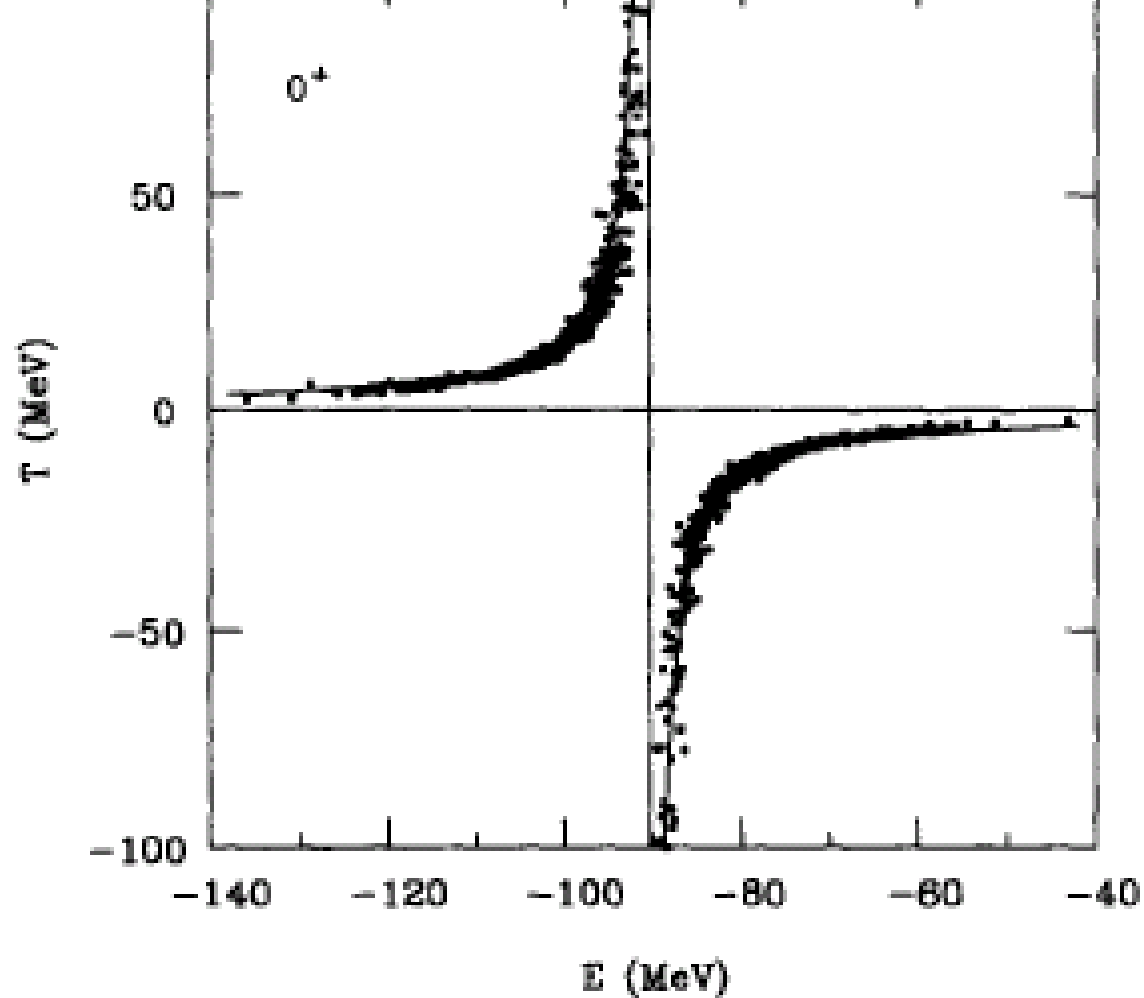
$$\langle n_i \rangle_E = [e^{(\epsilon_i - \mu)/T_{\text{s.p.}}} + 1]^{-1}$$

Temperature T(E)

$$T_{\text{th}} = \left( \frac{dS_{\text{th}}}{dE} \right)^{-1}$$

$$T_{\text{inf}} = \left( \frac{d\bar{S}_{\text{inf}}}{dE} \right)^{-1}$$

T(s.p.) and T(inf) =  
for individual states !



Gaussian level density

CENTROID  $E_0$

WIDTH  $\sigma E$

Microcanonical temperature

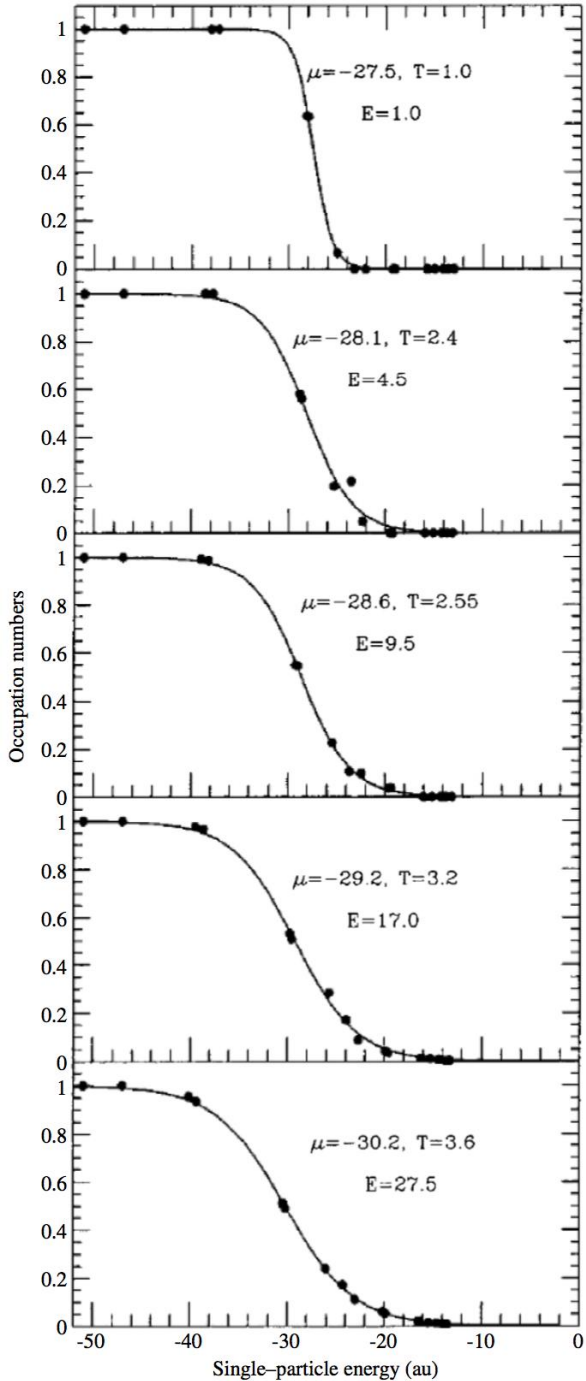
$$T_{\text{th}} = \sigma_E^2 / (E_0 - E)$$

839 states ( $^{28}\text{Si}$ )  $J=0$

## EFFECTIVE TEMPERATURE of INDIVIDUAL STATES

*From occupation numbers in the shell model solution (dots)*

*From thermodynamic entropy defined by level density (lines)*



Occupation numbers in multicharged ions Au25+

(recombination as analog of neutron resonances in nuclei)

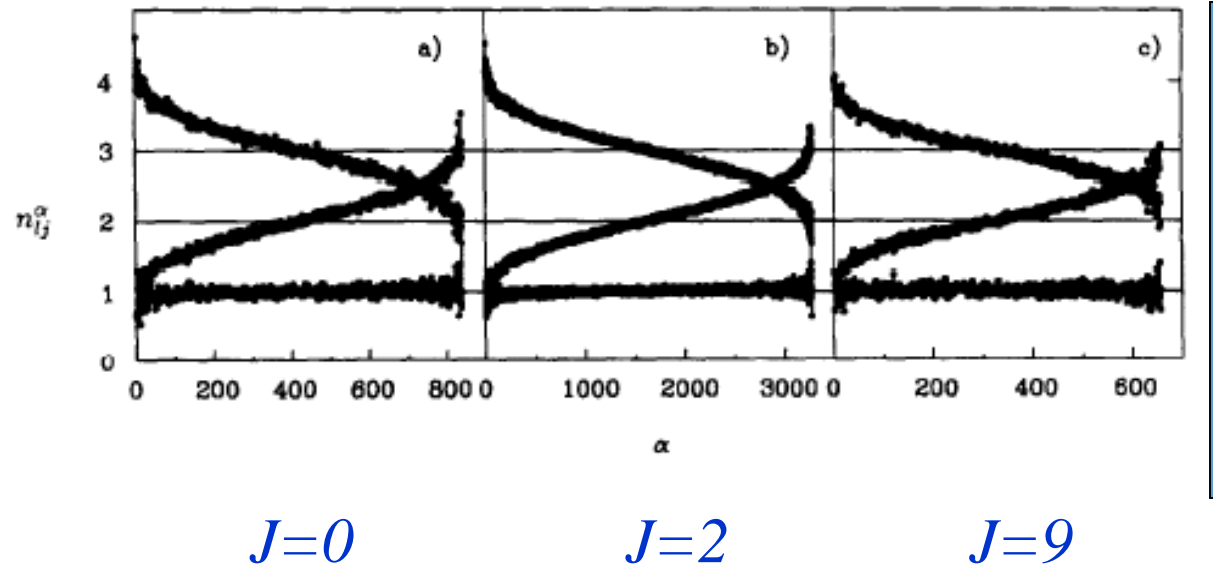
$$n_s^\alpha = \langle \alpha | \hat{n}_s | \alpha \rangle = \sum_k |C_k^\alpha|^2 \langle k | \hat{n}_s | k \rangle$$

/G. Gribakin, A. Gribakina, V. Flambaum/

Average over individual states is  
equivalent to a thermal ensemble



d5/2, d3/2, s1/2



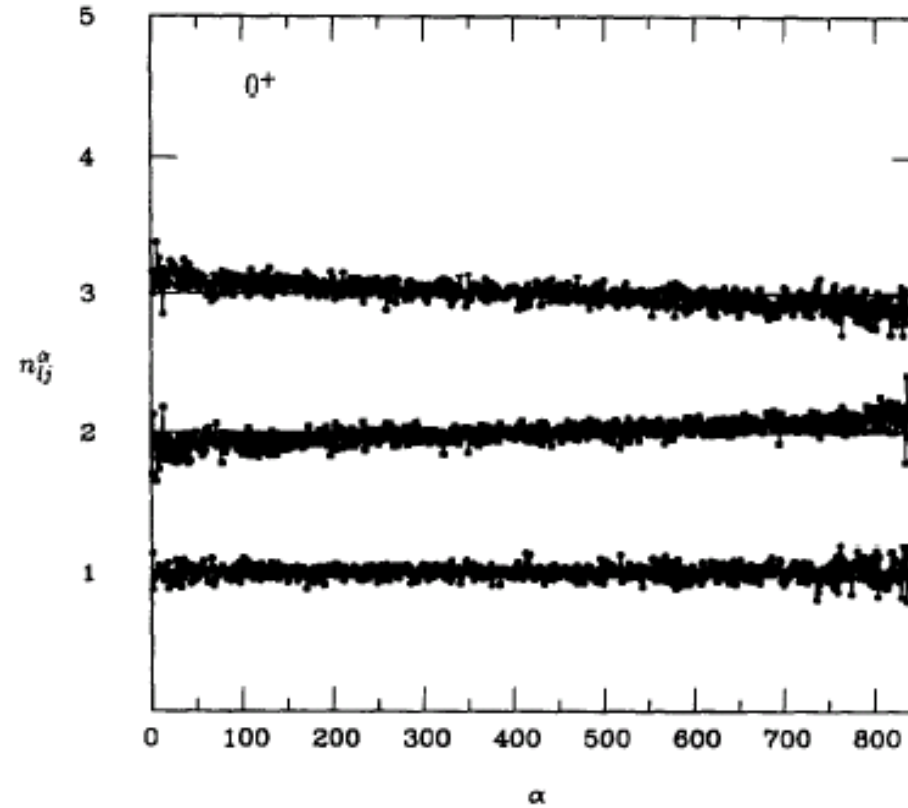
28 Si

Single – particle occupation numbers

Thermodynamic behavior  
identical in all symmetry classes

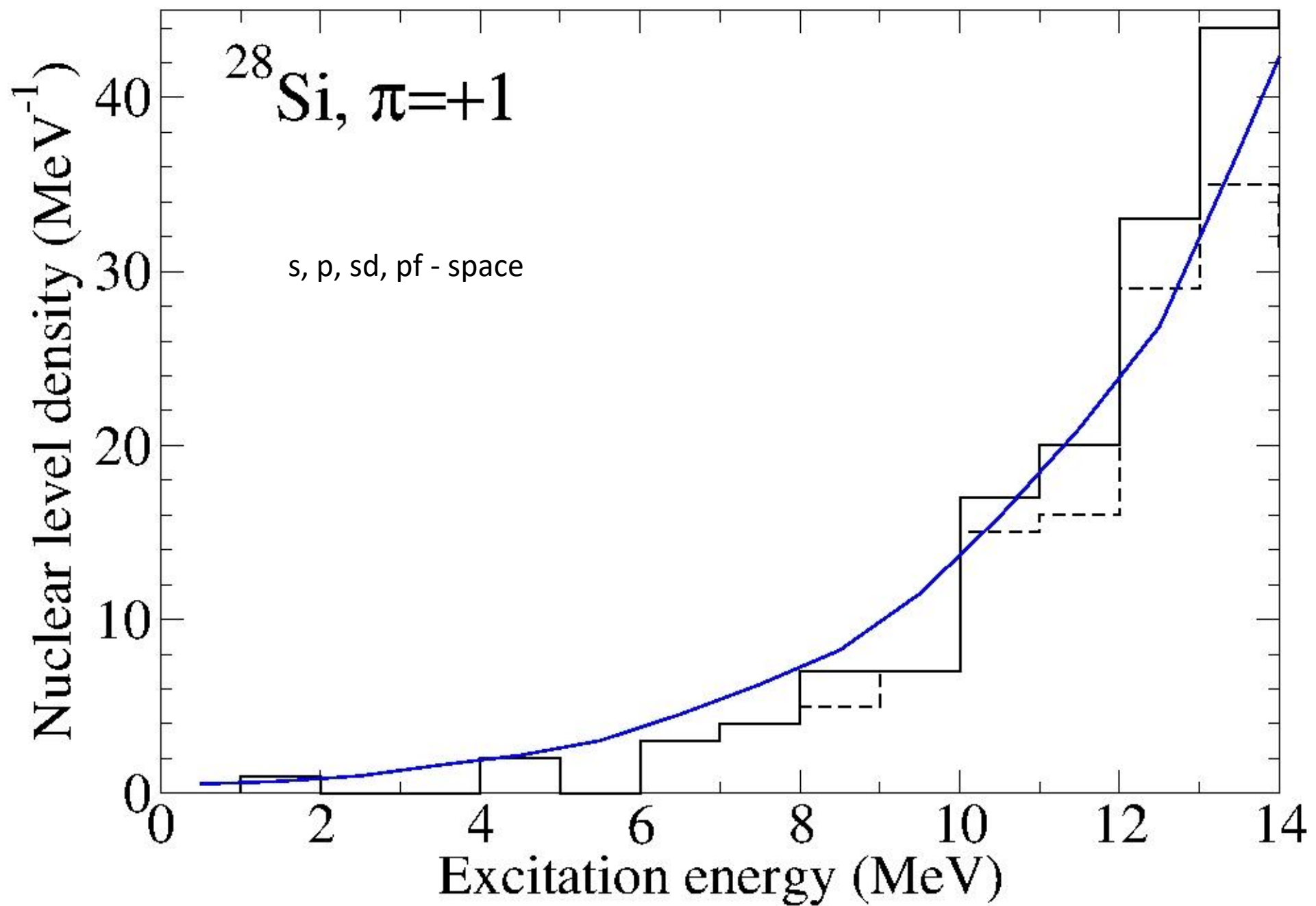
**FERMI-LIQUID PICTURE**

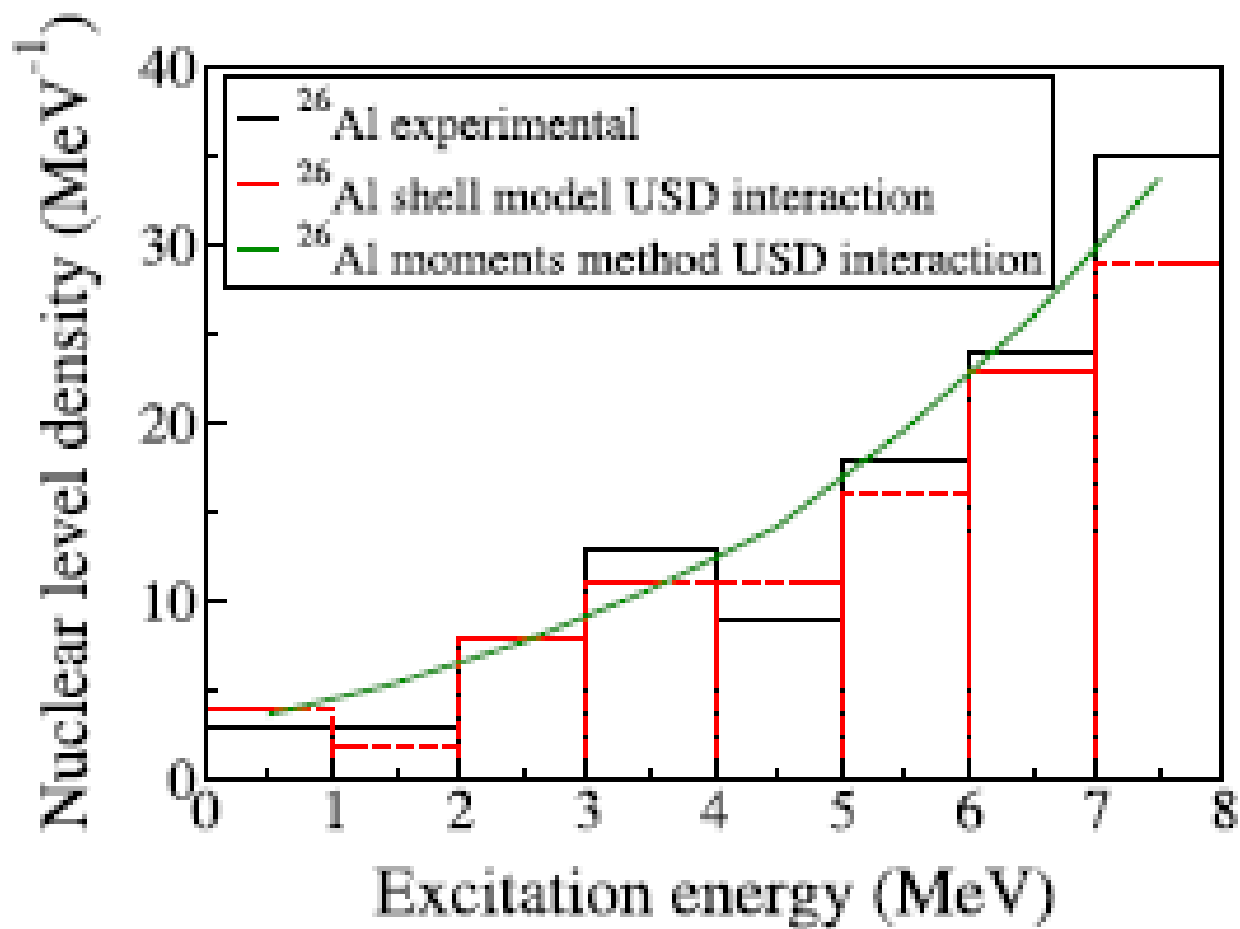
$J=0$



Artificially strong interaction (factor of 10)

*Single-particle thermometer cannot resolve  
spectral evolution*





S. Karampagia, V.Z.  
*Nucl. Phys. A962 (2017)*

J = 0 – 7, positive parity level density

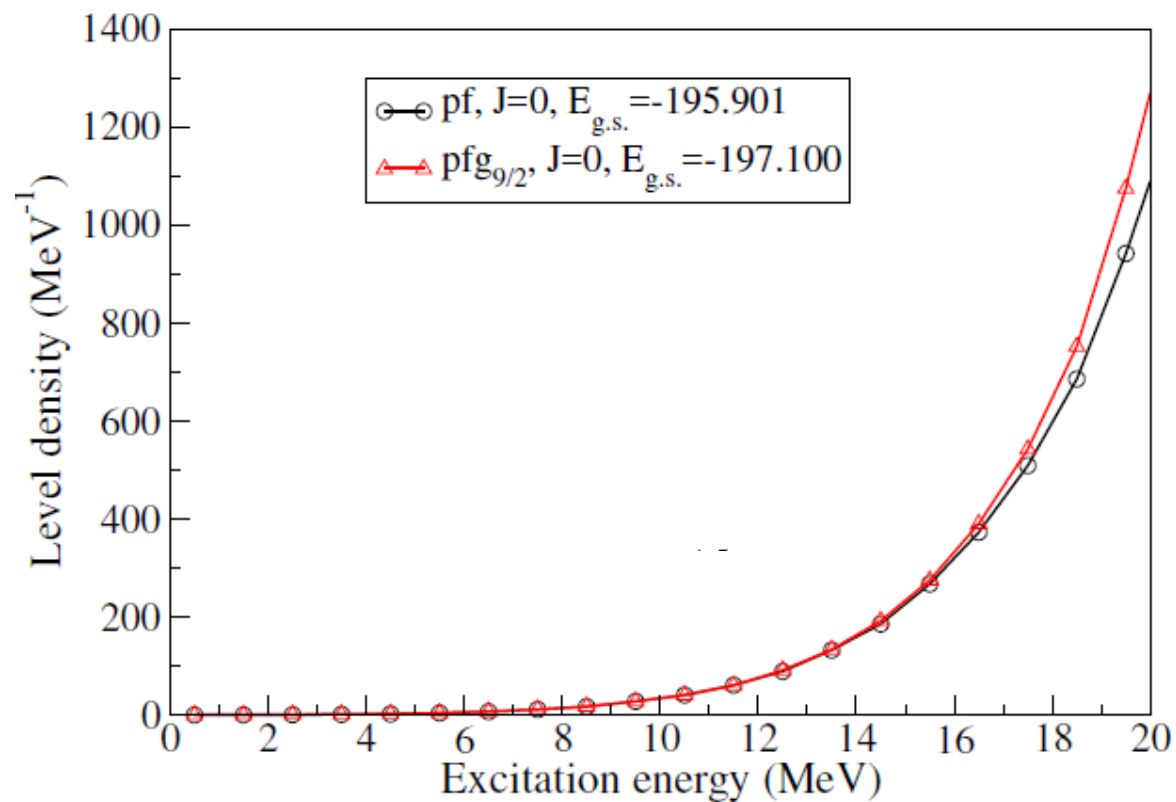


FIG. 3: Comparison of the level density of  $^{56}\text{Fe}$  calculated in the  $pf$  model space (black line with circles) versus the one calculated in the  $pf + g_{9/2}$  model space (red line with triangles), using the  $E_{g.s.} = -197.100$ , which minimizes the difference of the low-lying level densities between the two model spaces.

$$\alpha = \{n, J, T_z, \pi\}$$

**Exact quantum numbers**

Quantum numbers

$$\kappa = \{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_q\}$$

Partitions

[Wong]

$$\rho(E, \alpha) = \sum_{\kappa} D_{\alpha\kappa} \cdot G_{\alpha\kappa}(E)$$

$$G_{\alpha\kappa}(E) = G(E + E_{g.s.} - E_{\alpha\kappa}, \sigma_{\alpha\kappa})$$

$$G(x, \sigma) = C \cdot \begin{cases} \exp(-x^2/2\sigma^2) & , |x| \leq \eta \cdot \sigma \\ 0 & , |x| > \eta \cdot \sigma \end{cases}$$

Finite range Gaussian

$$D_{\alpha\kappa}$$

Many-body dimension

$$E_{\alpha\kappa} = \langle H \rangle_{\alpha\kappa}$$

$$\sigma_{\alpha\kappa} = \sqrt{\langle H^2 \rangle_{\alpha\kappa} - \langle H \rangle_{\alpha\kappa}^2}$$

$$\text{Tr}^{(J)}[\dots] = \text{Tr}^{(J_z)}[\dots]_{J_z=J} - \text{Tr}^{(J_z)}[\dots]_{J_z=J+1}$$

$$\langle H \rangle_{\alpha\kappa} = \text{Tr}^{(\alpha\kappa)}[H] / D_{\alpha\kappa}$$

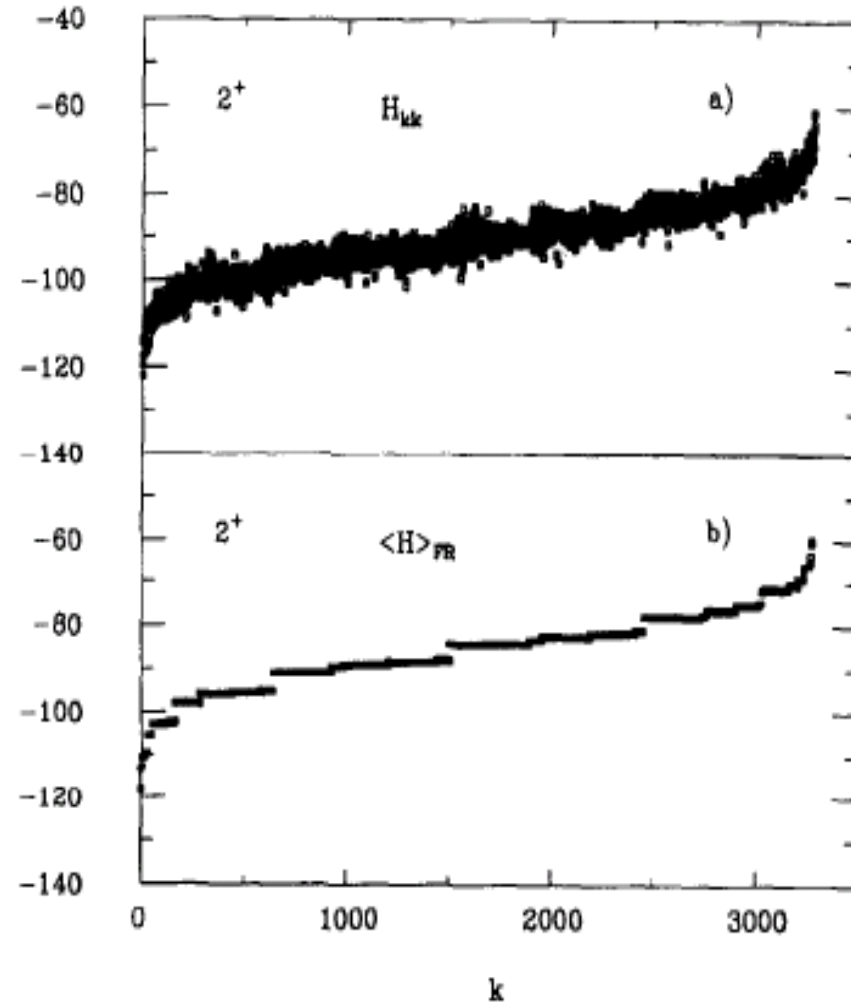
Centroids – first moment

$$\langle H^2 \rangle_{\alpha\kappa} = \text{Tr}^{(\alpha\kappa)}[H^2] / D_{\alpha\kappa}$$

Widths - second moment

$^{28}\text{Si}$

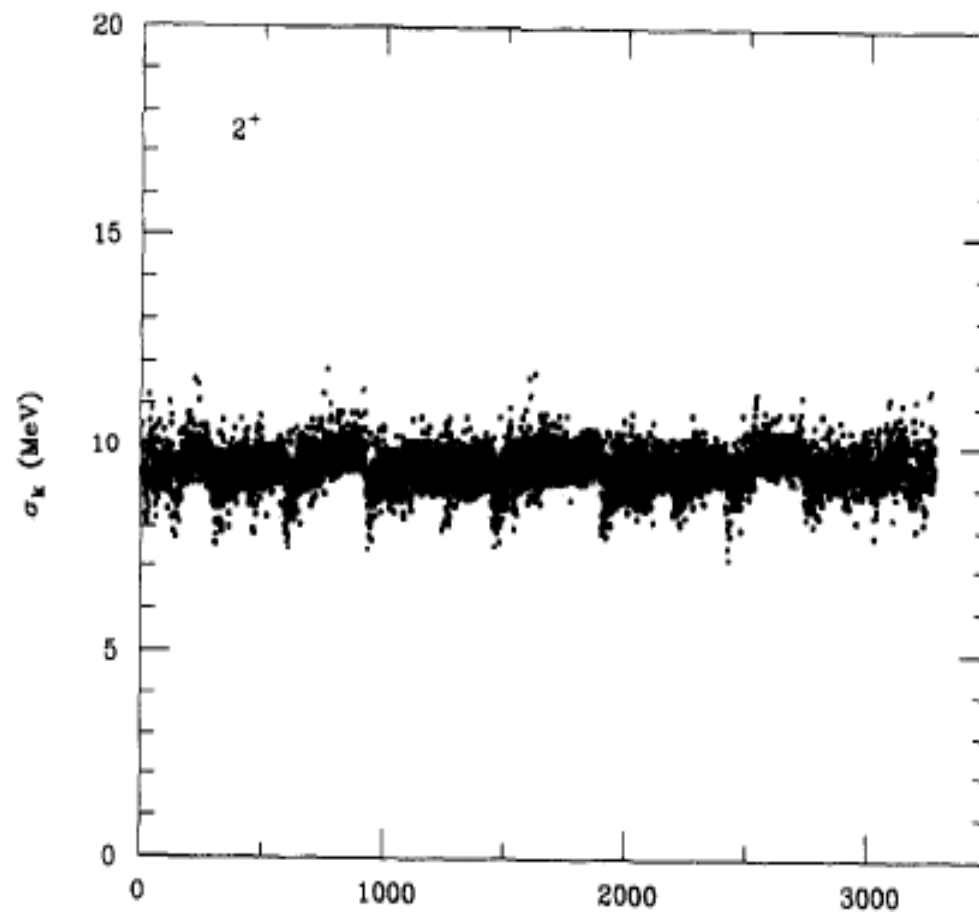
Diagonal  
matrix elements  
of the Hamiltonian  
in the mean-field  
representation



Partition structure in the shell model

(a) *All 3276 states* ; (b) *energy centroids*

28  
Si



Energy dispersion for individual states is nearly **constant**  
(result of **geometric chaoticity!**)

Also in multiconfigurational method (hybrid of shell model and  
density functional)

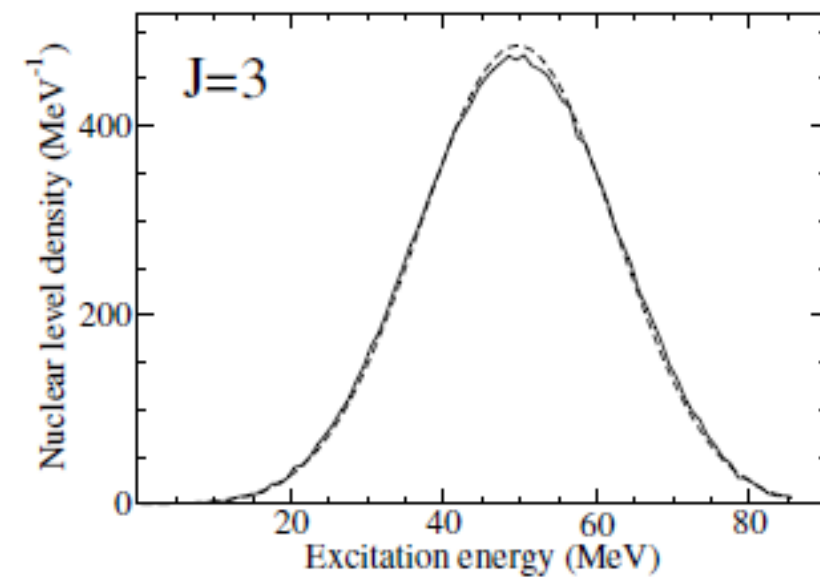
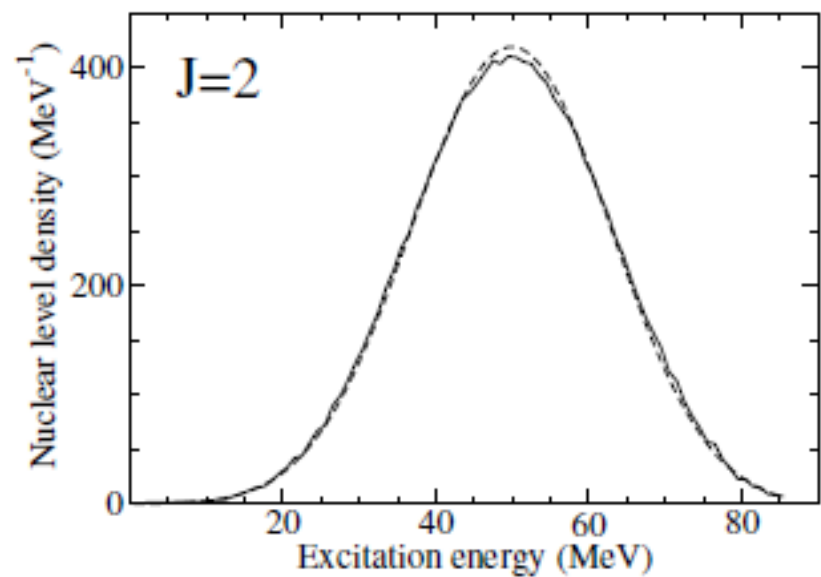
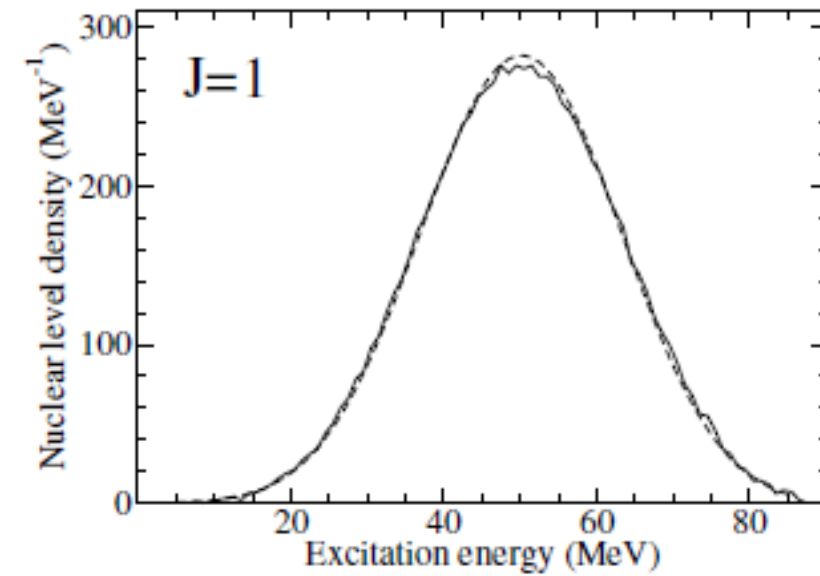
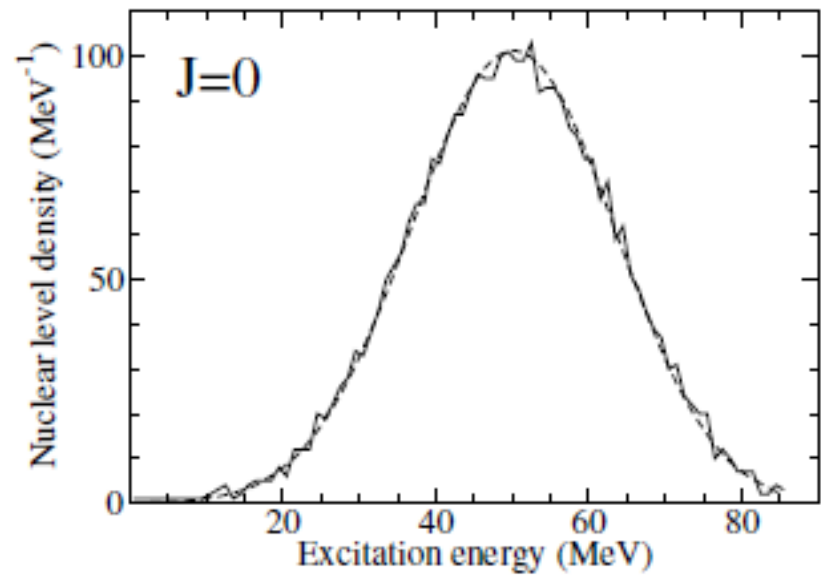
$$\sigma_k^2 = \langle k | (H - H_{kk})^2 | k \rangle = \sum_{l \neq k} H_{kl}^2,$$

**Widths add in quadratures**



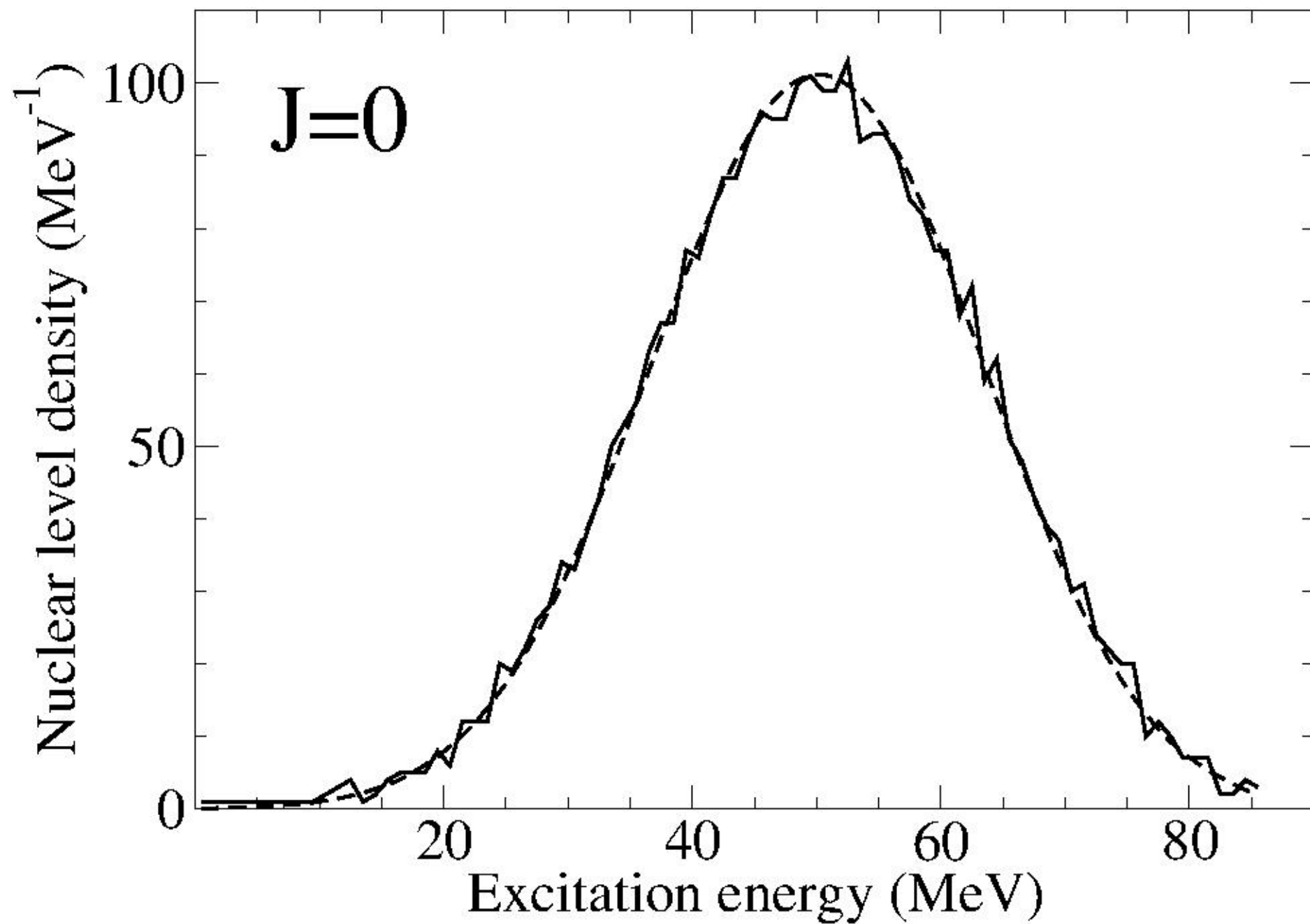
# $^{28}\text{Si}$ , parity=+1, some $J$ , $sd$ -shell

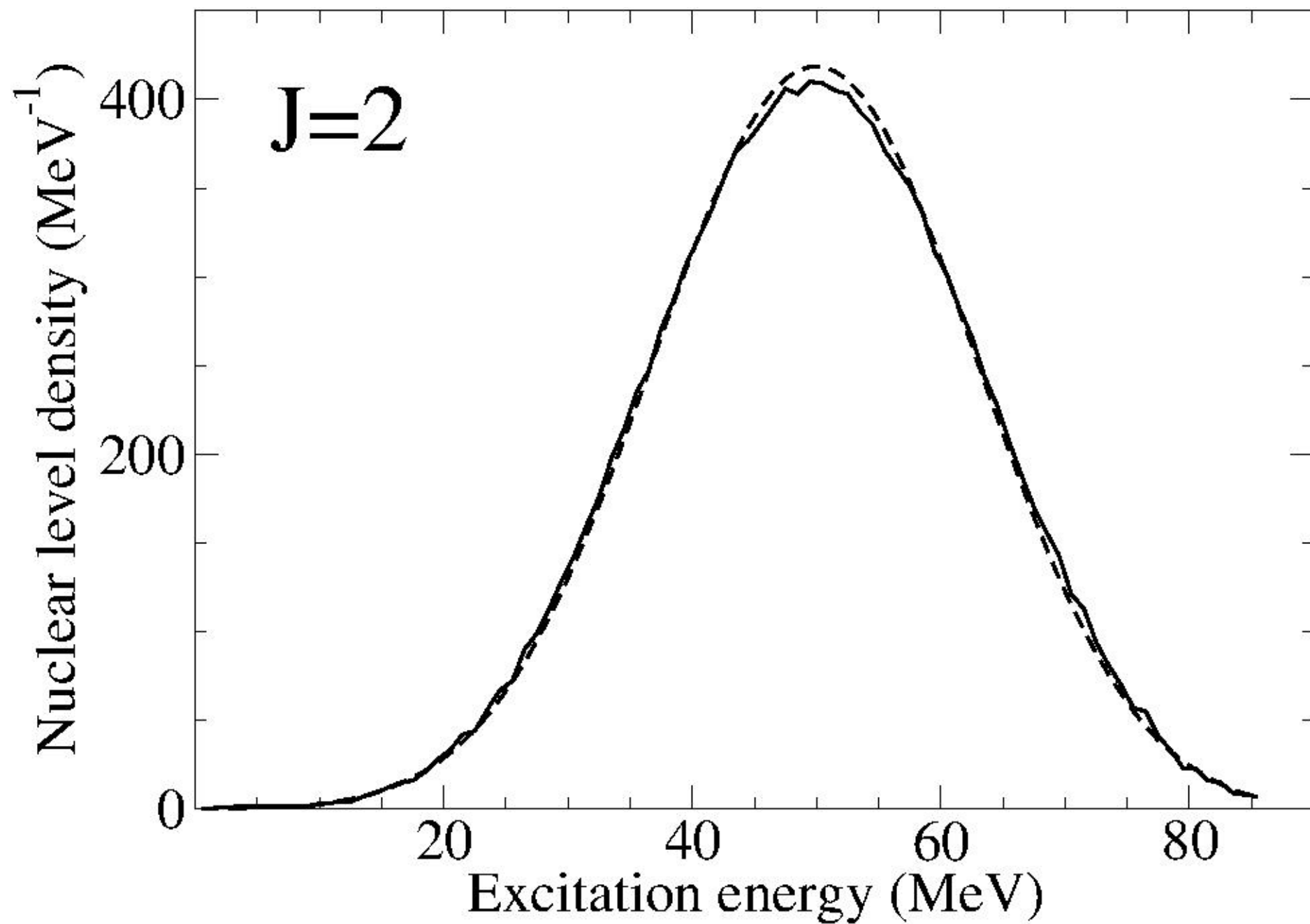
Shell Model (solid line) vs. Moments Method (dashed line).

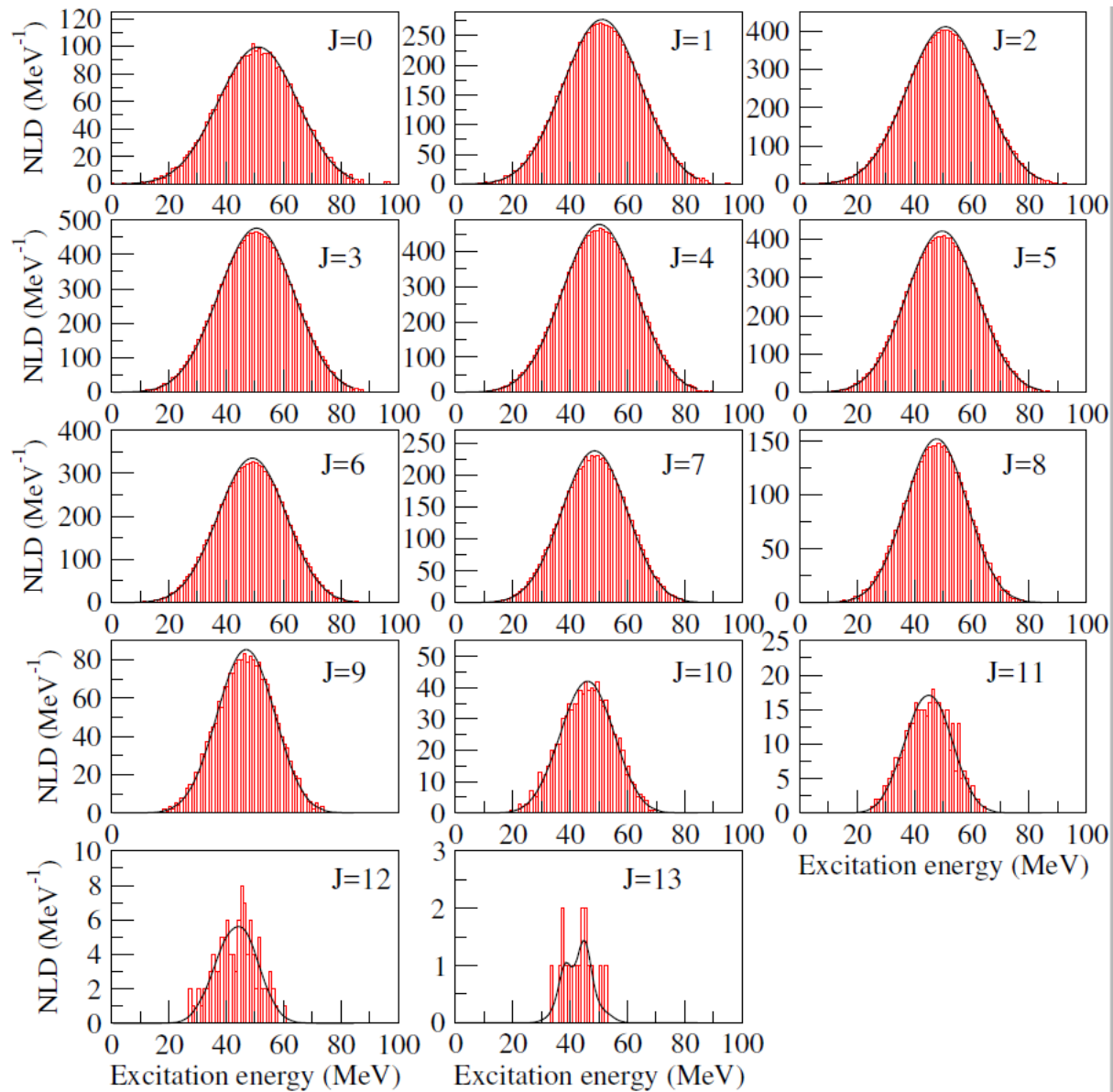


Shell-model level density.

Moments method (no diagonalization)





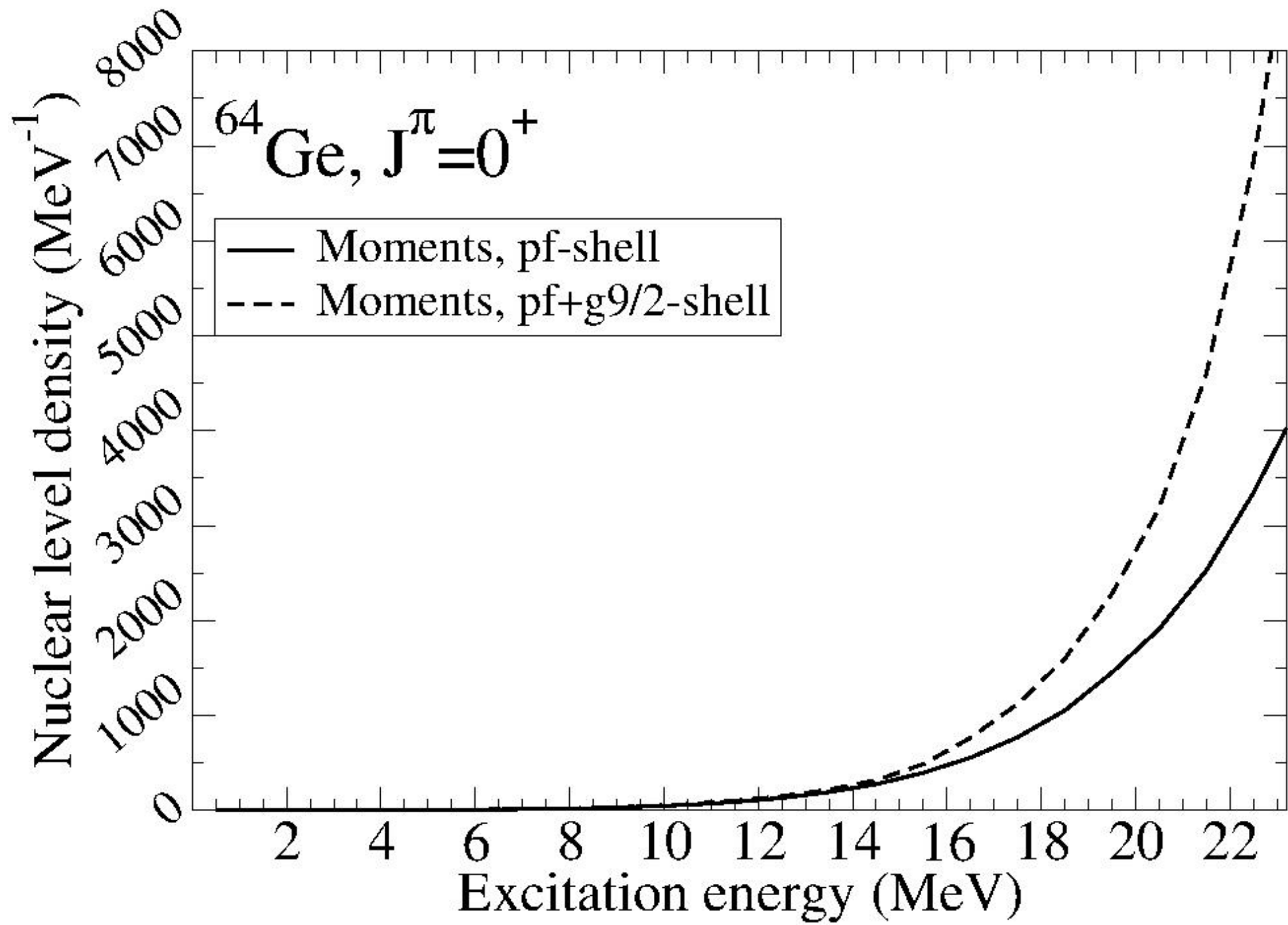


**Generic shape  
(Gaussian)**

**Level density for different  
classes of states in  $^{28}\text{Si}$**

Full agreement between  
exact shell model  
and moments method

Problems: truncated orbital space,  
only positive parity  
in sd-model, ...



R.Sen'kov, V.Z.  
PRC 93 (2016)

## **MEAN FIELD COMBINATORICS**

*S. Goriely et al. Phys. Rev. C 78, 064307 (2008)  
C 79, 024612 (2009)*

*<http://www.astro.ulb.ac.be/pmwiki/Brusslin/Level>*

*Hartree – Fock – Bogoliubov plus  
Collective enhancement with certain phonons*

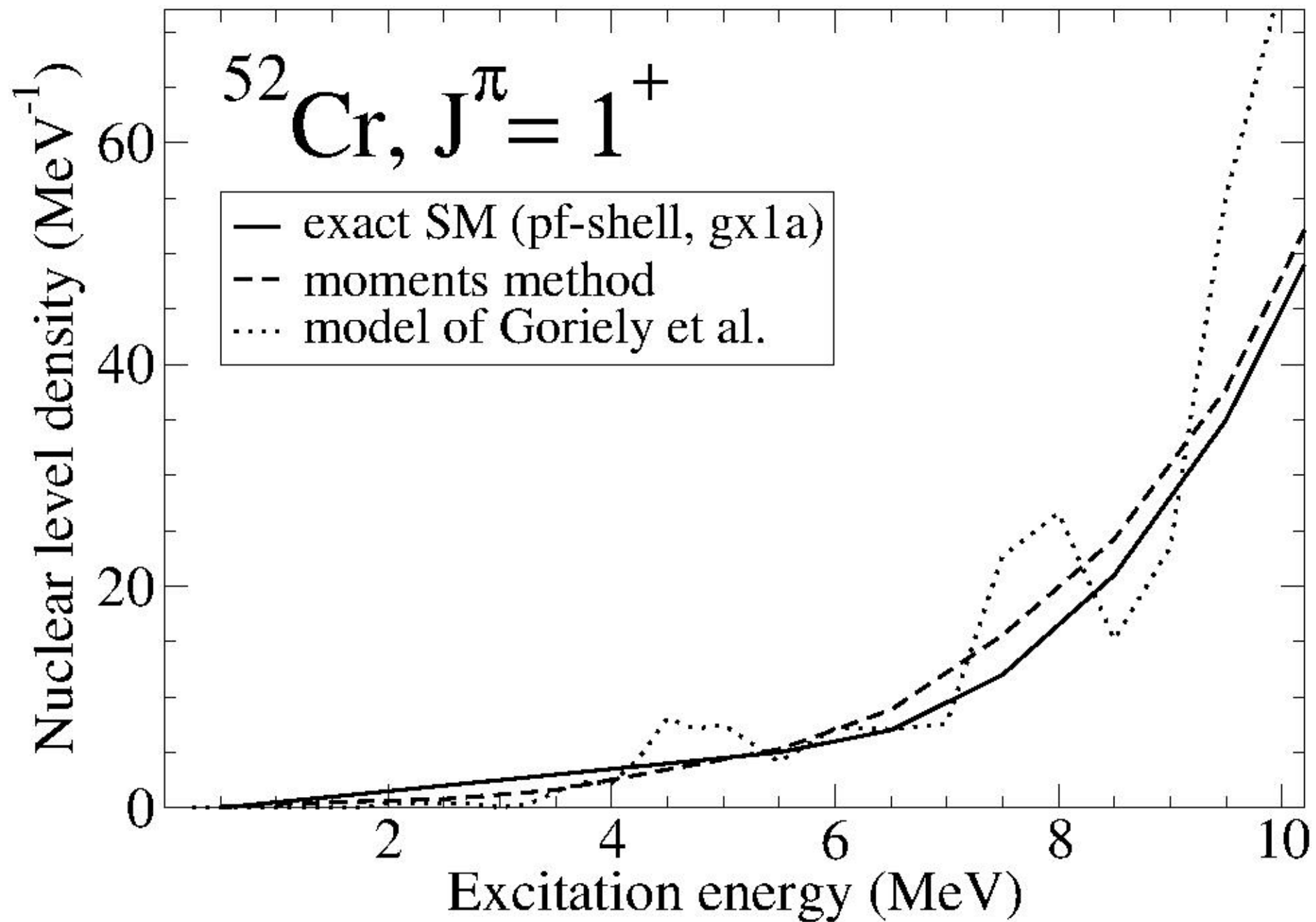
Monte Carlo Shell model – Y. Alhassid +...

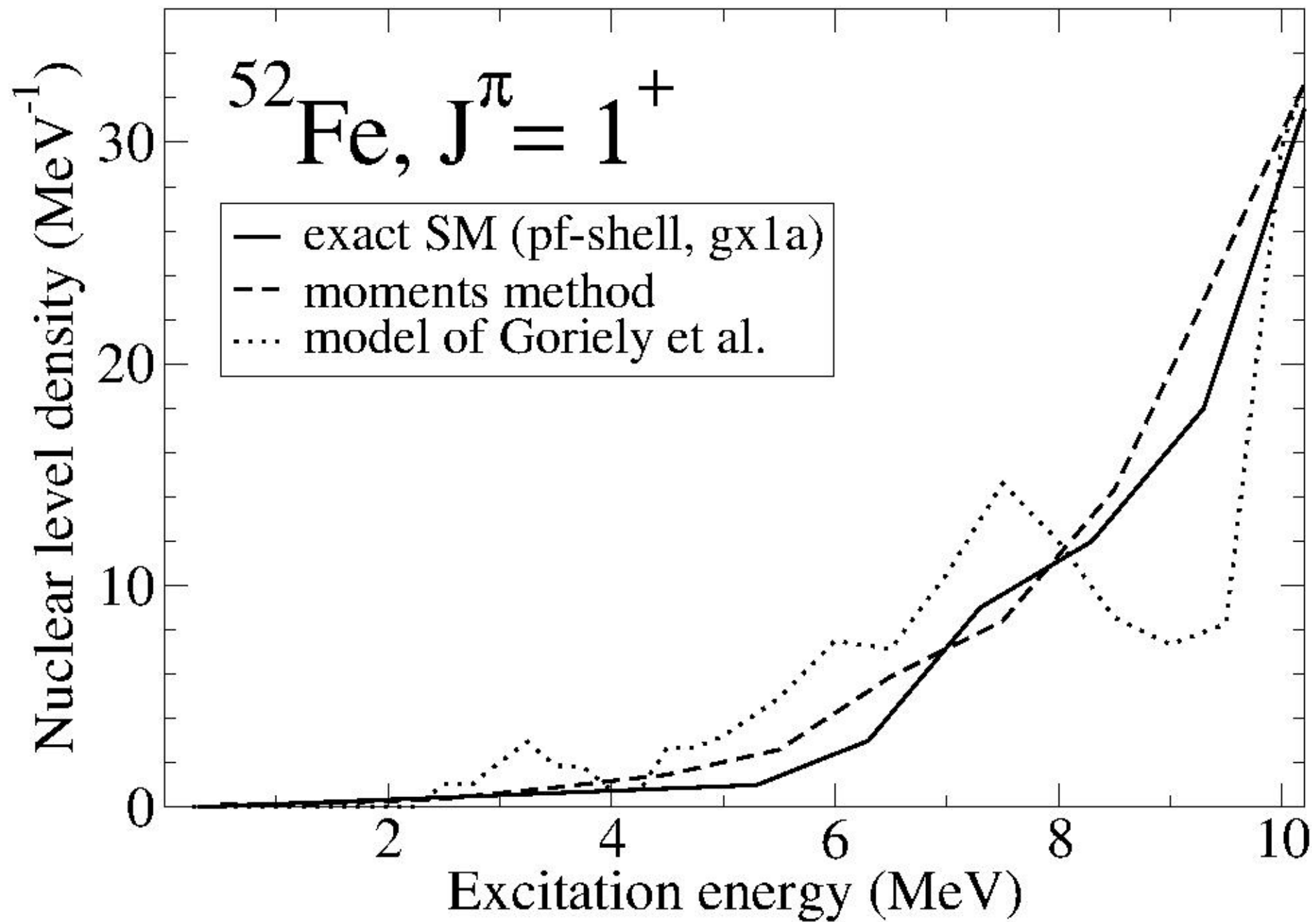
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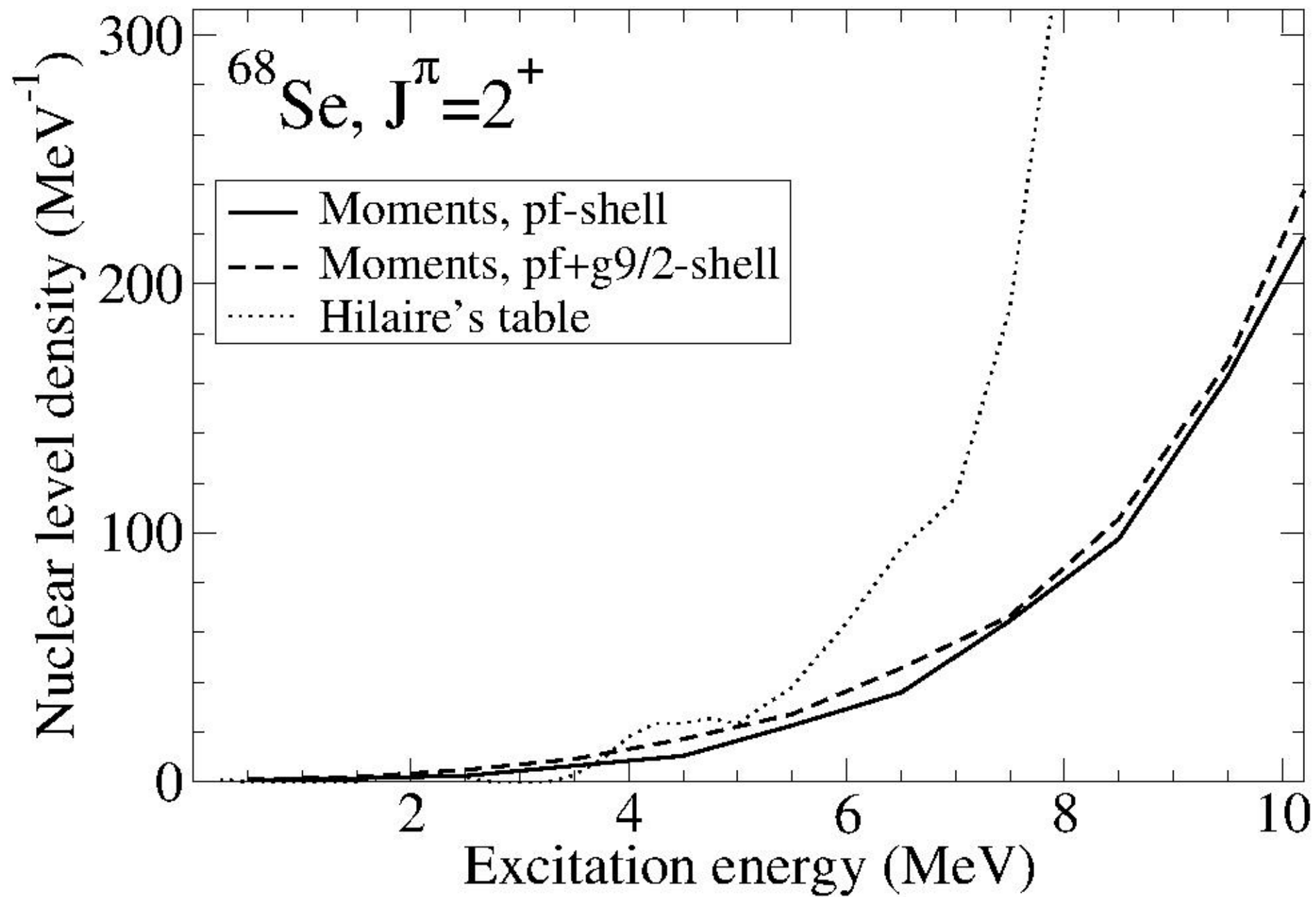
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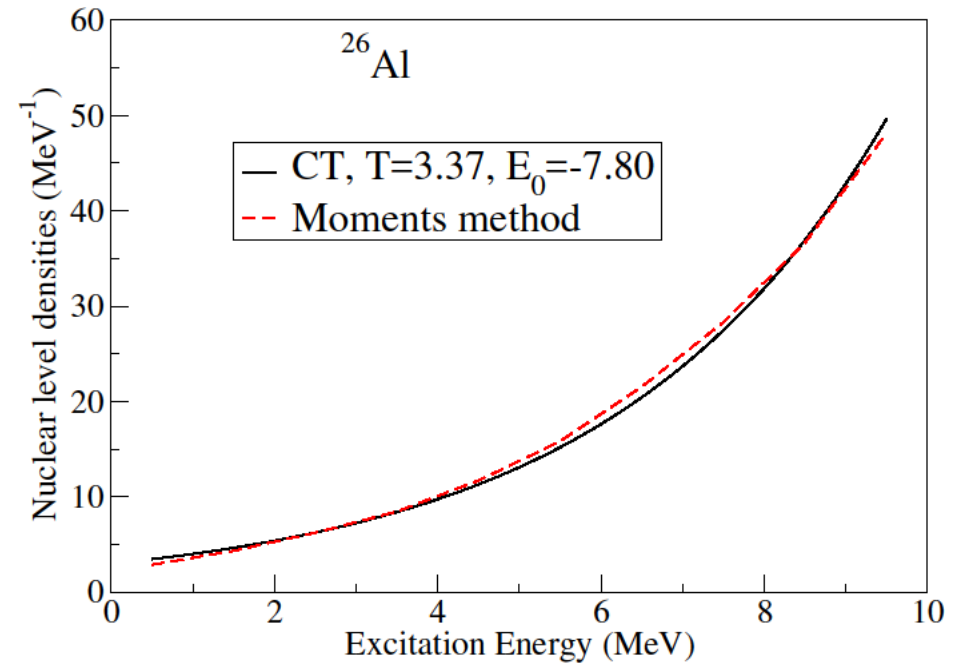
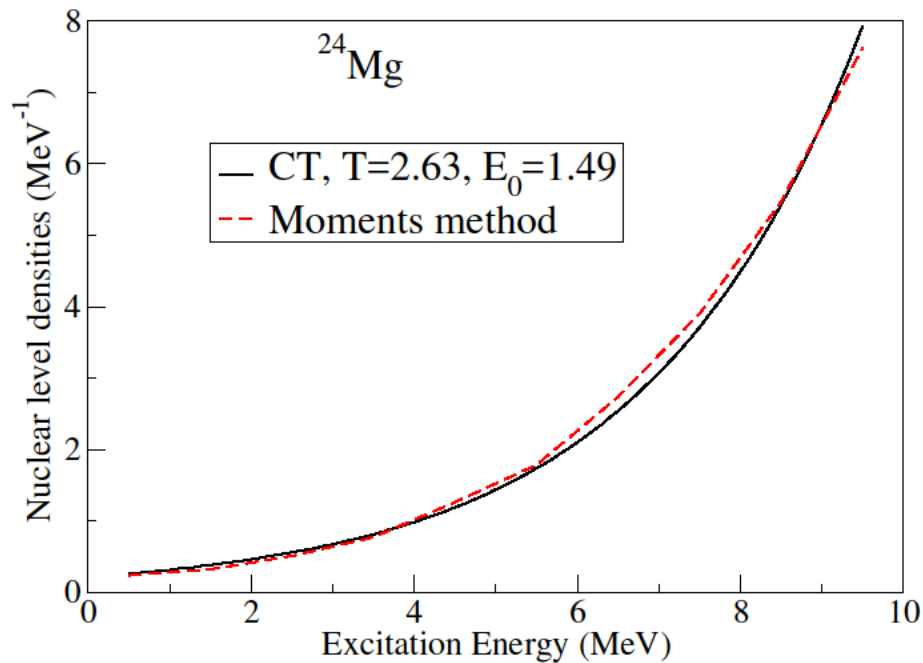
**Constant temperature model**











## CONSTANT TEMPERATURE PHENOMENOLOGY

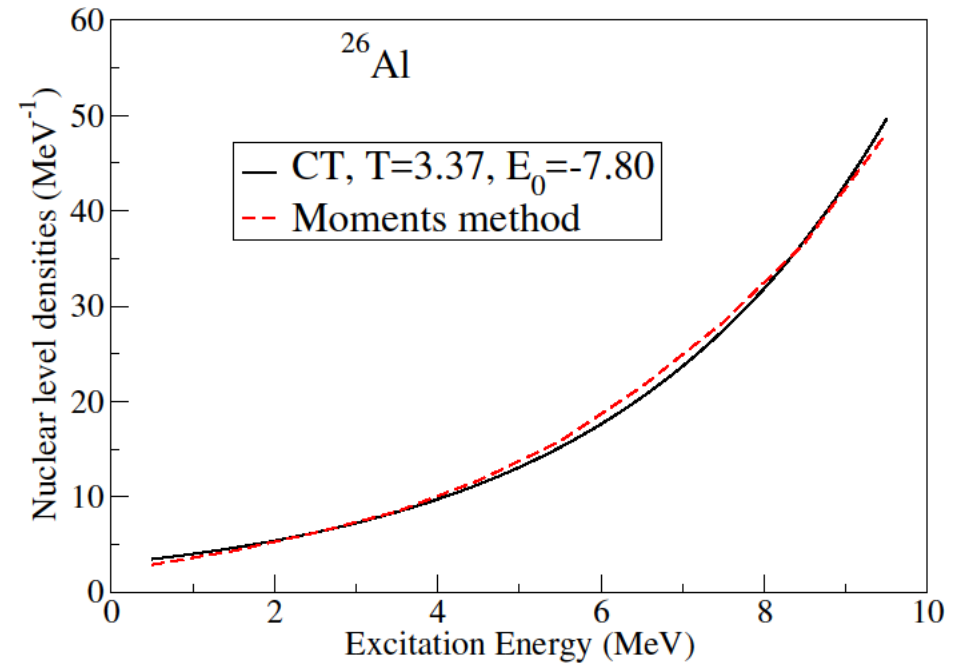
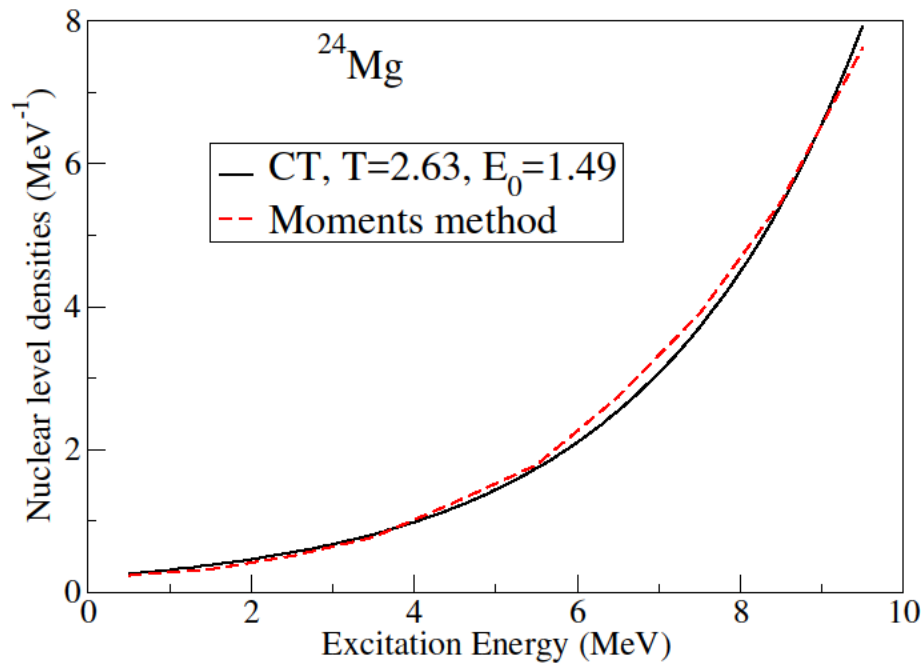
$$\text{LEVEL DENSITY } (E) = (\text{const}) \exp (E/T)$$

**Ericson (1962), Gilbert and Cameron (1965)**

**Moretto (1975) – pairing phase transition**

**T – “effective constant temperature”**

**1/T – rate of increase of level density**



## CONSTANT TEMPERATURE PHENOMENOLOGY

Level density **(const) exp(E/T)**

$$T_{t-d} = \left( \frac{\partial S}{\partial E} \right)^{-1} = T \left( 1 - e^{-E/T} \right)$$

Partition function = Trace{exp[-H/T(t-d)]} diverges at  $T > T(t-d)$

Cumulative level number

$$N(E) = \exp(S),$$

Entropy  $S(E) = \ln(N)$

Thermodynamic temperature

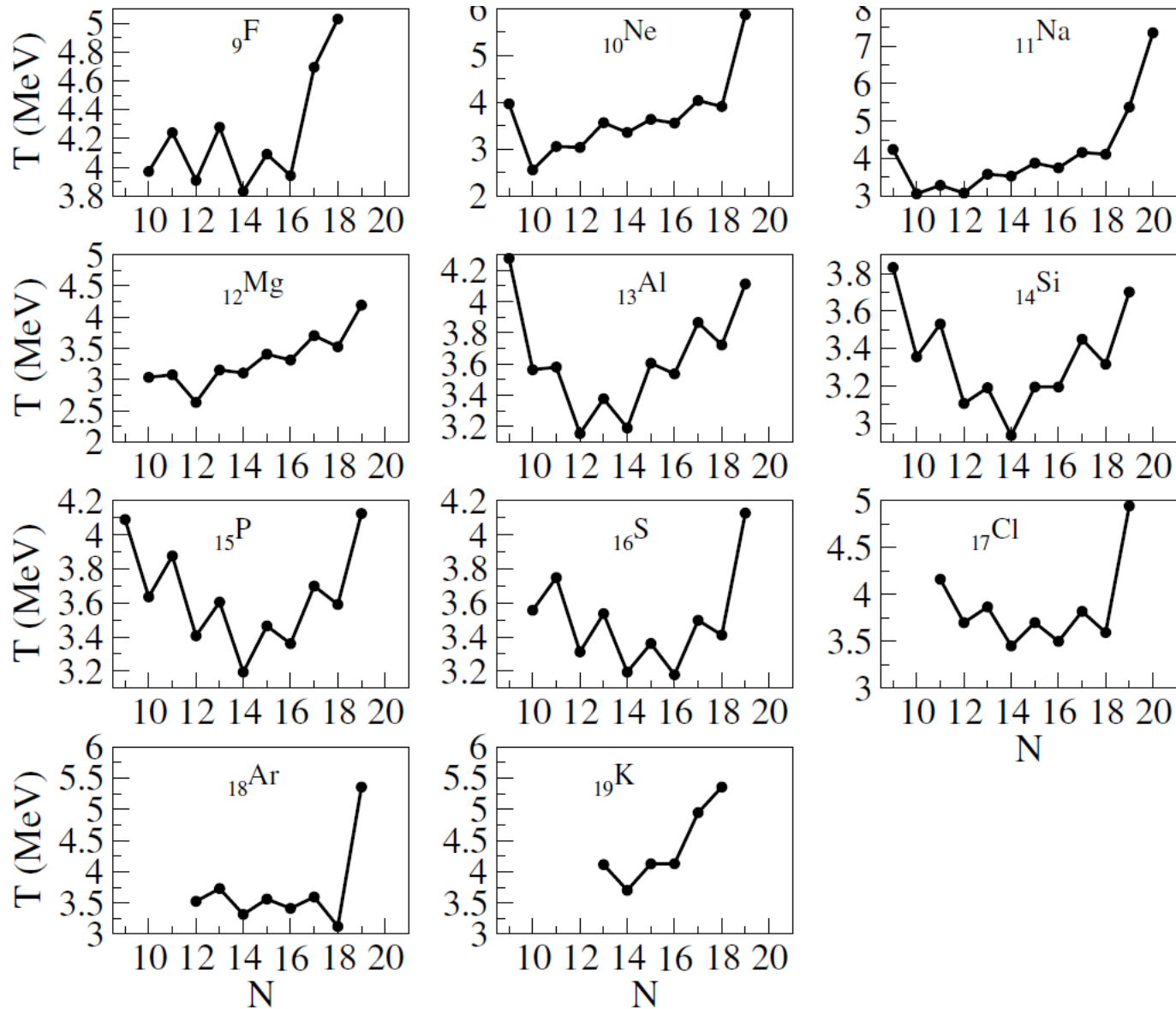
$$T(t-d) = dS/dE = T[1 - \exp(-E/T)]$$

Parameter T is *limiting temperature*

(*Hagedorn temperature* in particle physics)

*Pairing phase transition? (Moretto) - Chaotization*

**1/T** – rate of increase of the level density



Effective temperature **T**

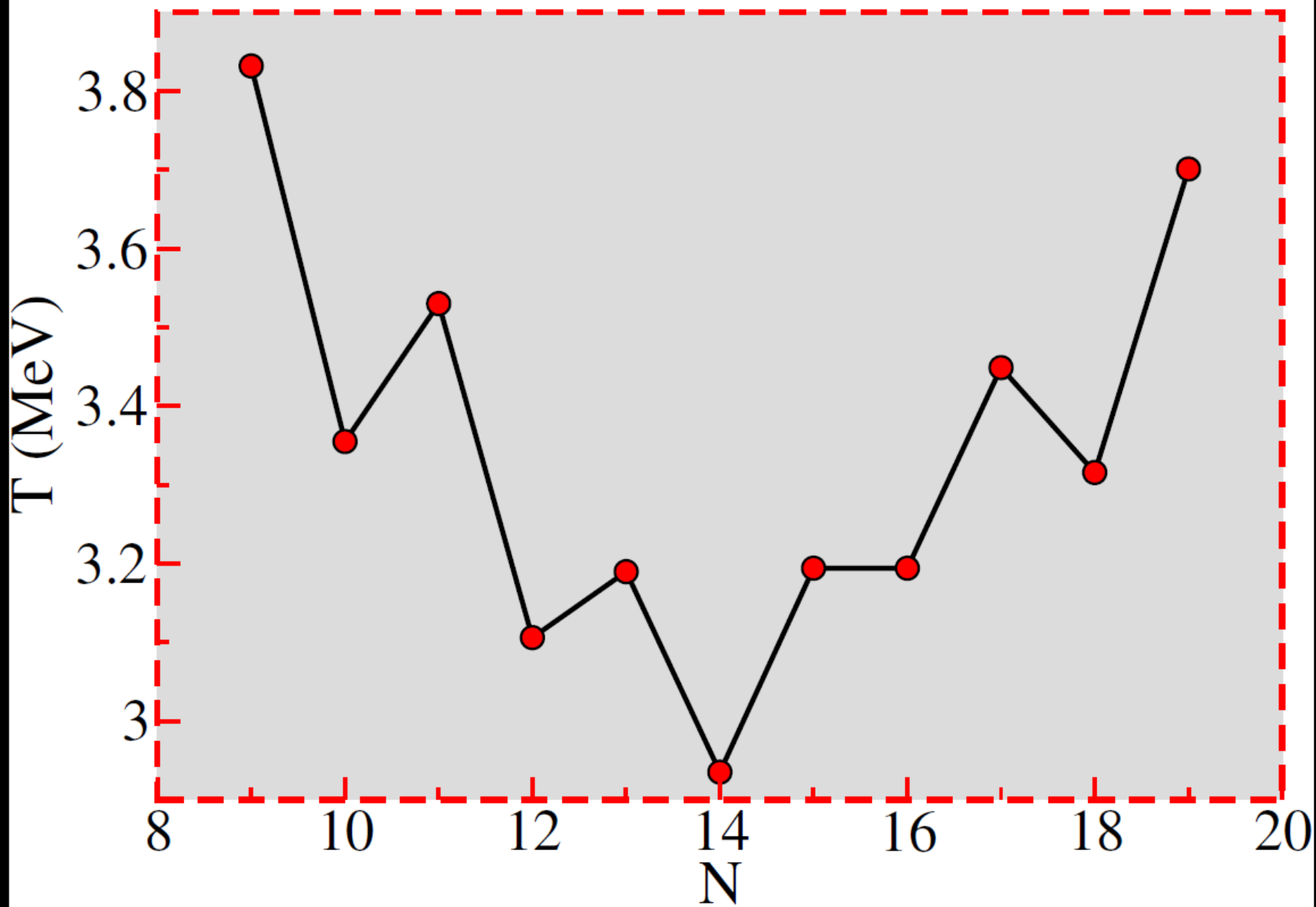
for **(sd)** – nuclei,

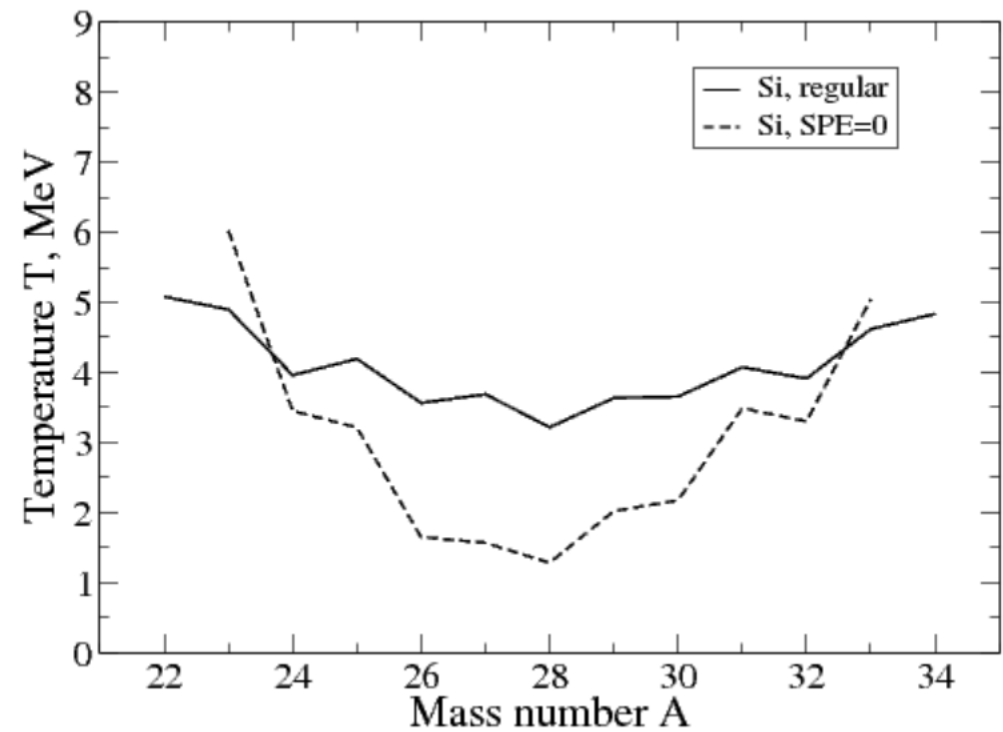
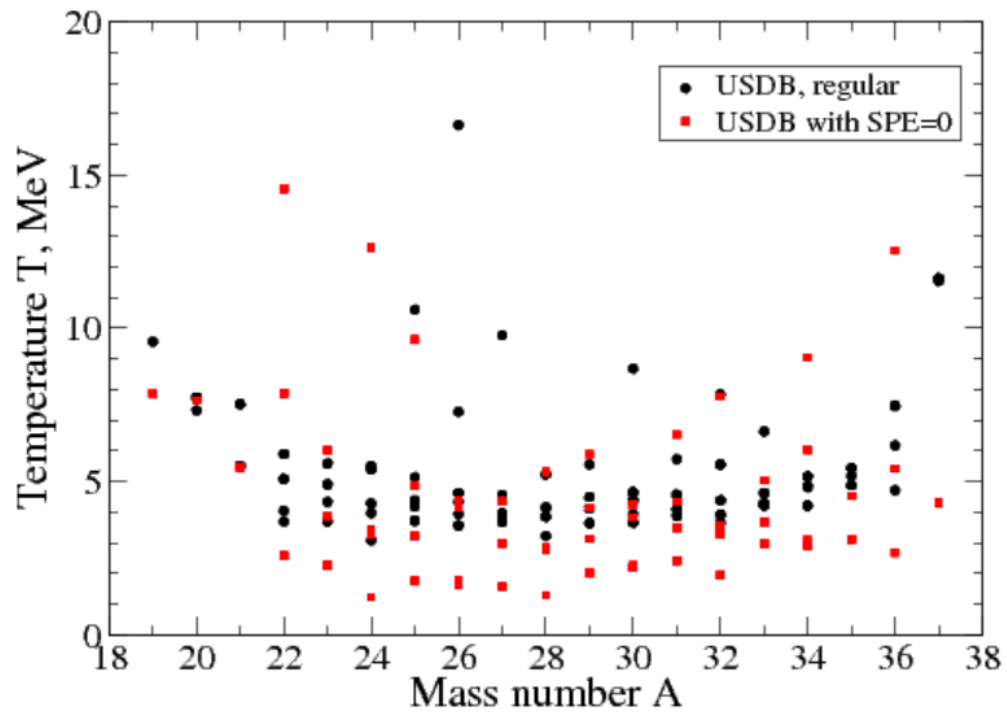
tabulated for all

classes of spin

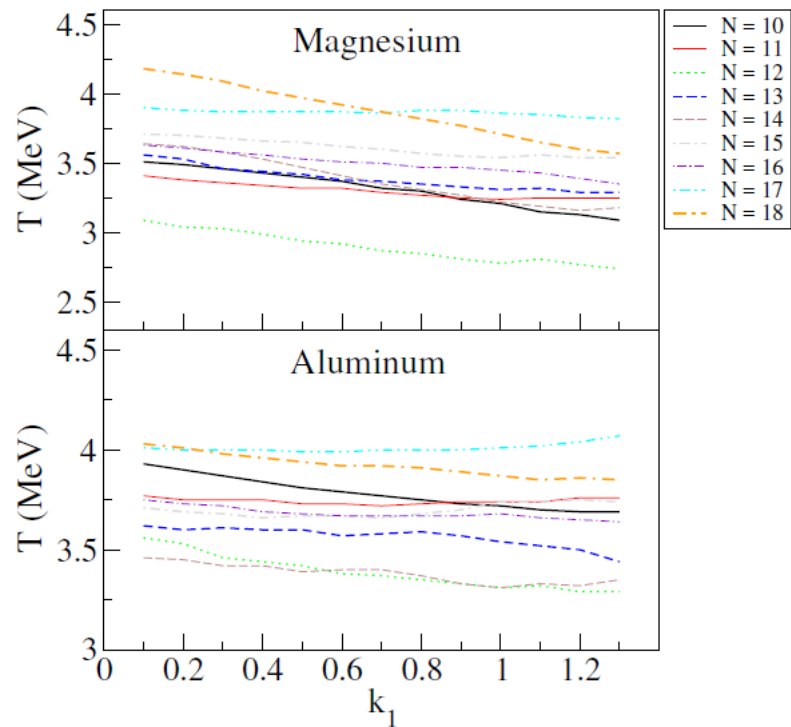
(ADNDT, 2018)

●  ${}_{14}\text{Si}$

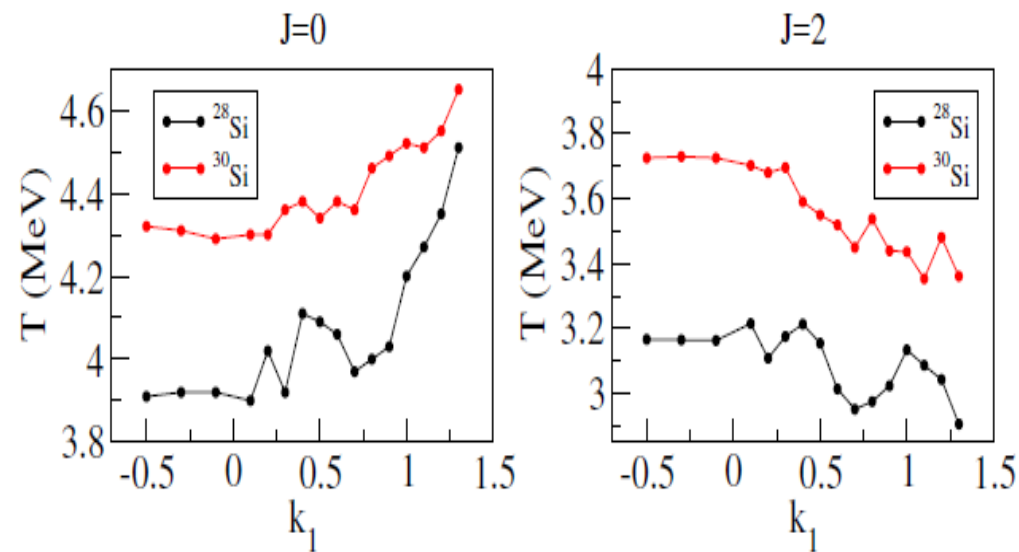




**Degenerate single-particle levels – smaller  $T$  (faster chaotization)**

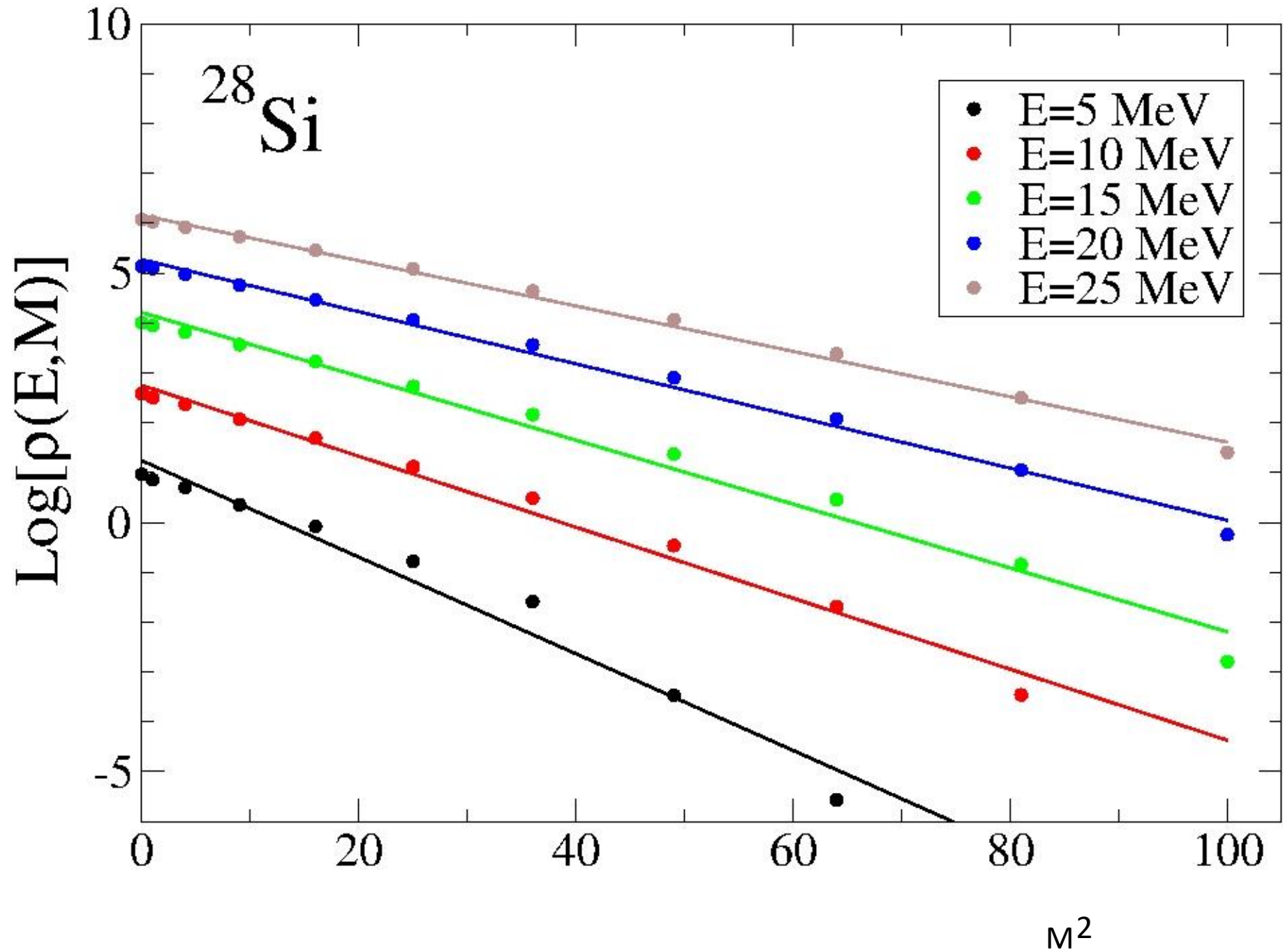


## Eliminating pairing interaction



$k(1) < 0$  "antipairing"

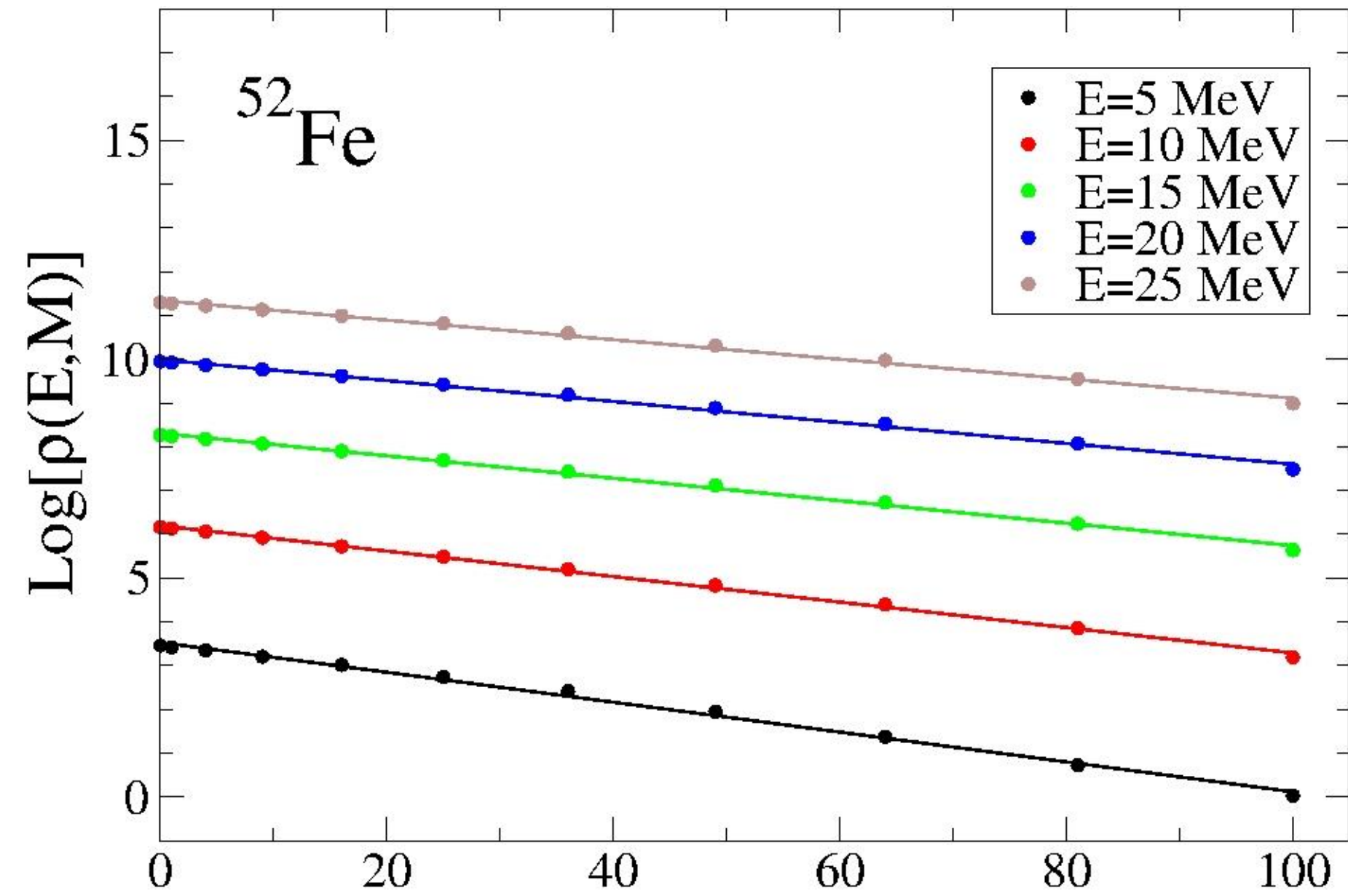




“Spin cut-off” parameter

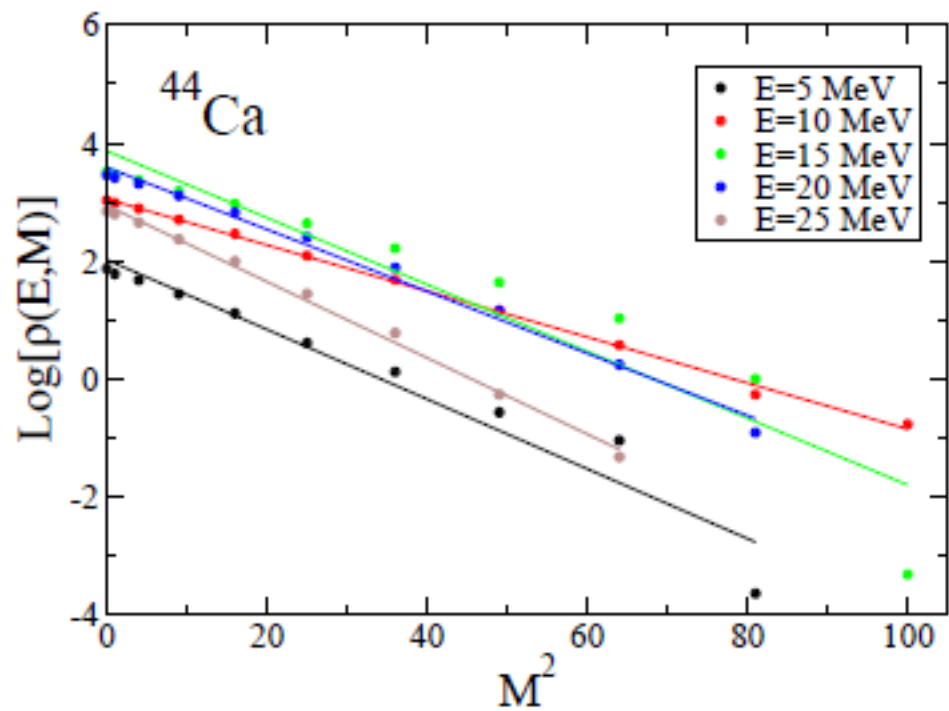
$$\frac{\rho(E, M)}{\rho(E)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-M^2/2\sigma^2}$$

Markovian  
random process  
of angular momentum  
coupling

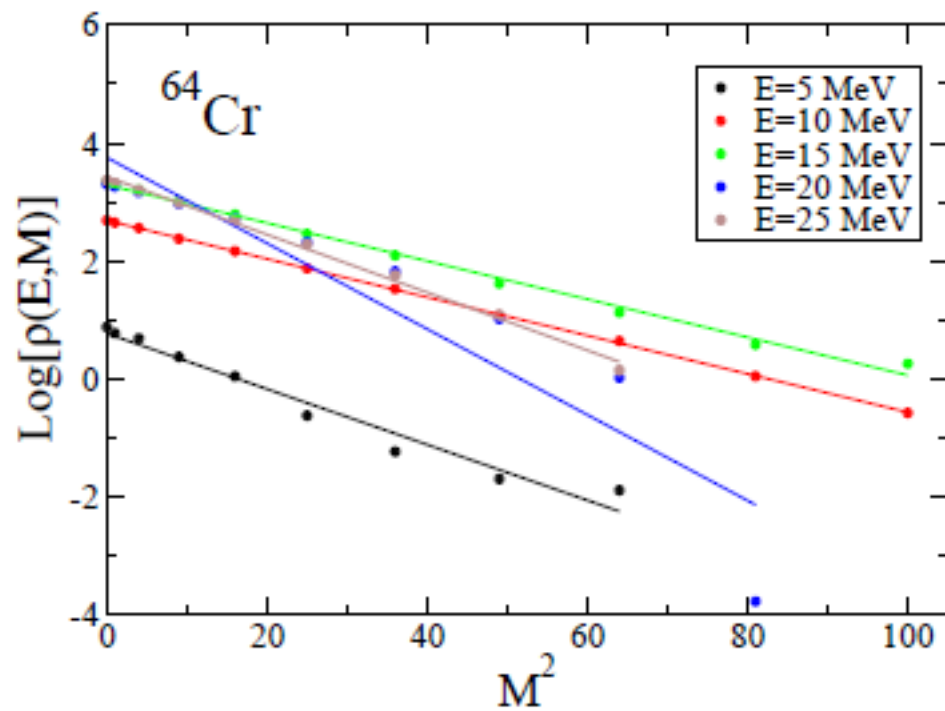


$$\frac{\rho(E, M)}{\rho(E)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-M^2/2\sigma^2}$$

$M^2$



4 valence neutrons



4 proton holes

Space – only T=2,  
 Two-body interaction through T=1 channel

$$\rho^{(0)}(E, J, 0) = \rho(E, J, 0) \quad N\hbar\omega \text{ classification}$$

**Pure**

**Total**

**(N=0)**

$$\rho^{(0)}(E, J, 1) = \rho(E, J, 1) - \sum_{J'=|J-1|}^{J+1} \rho(E, J', 0) \quad \mathbf{(N=1)}$$

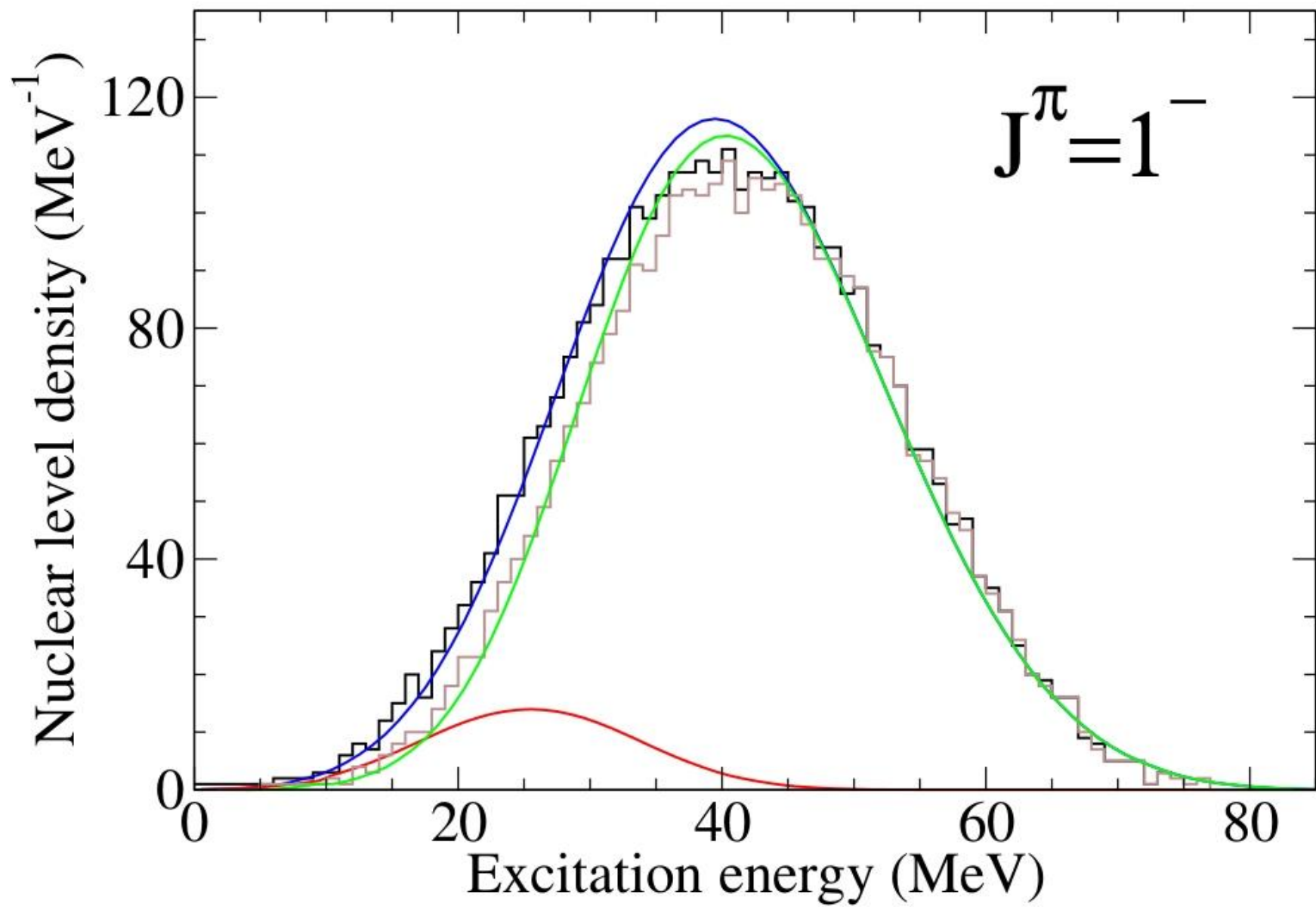
$$\rho^{(0)}(E, J, N) = \rho(E, J, N) -$$

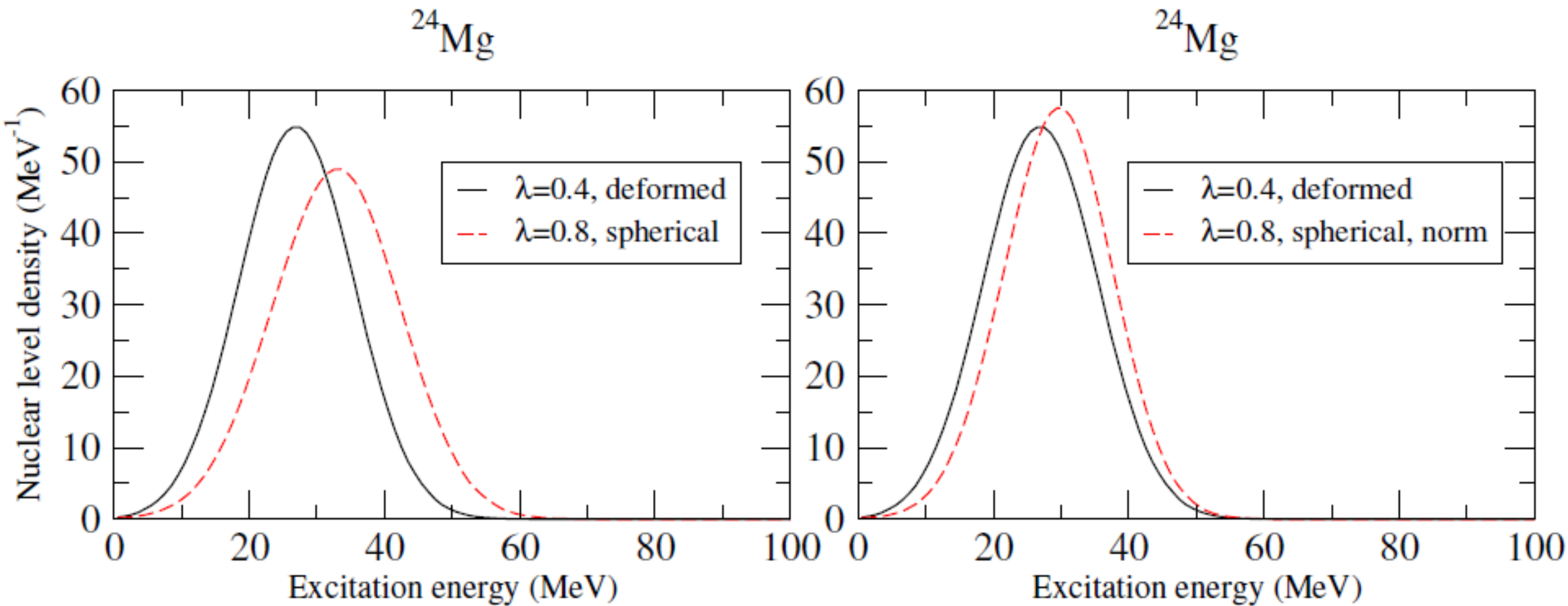
$$- \sum_{K=1}^N \sum_{J_K=J_{\min}}^{N, \text{step } 2} \sum_{J'=|J-J_K|}^{J+J_K} \rho^{(0)}(E, J', (N-K))$$

**Recursive relation**

Exclusion of c.m. states

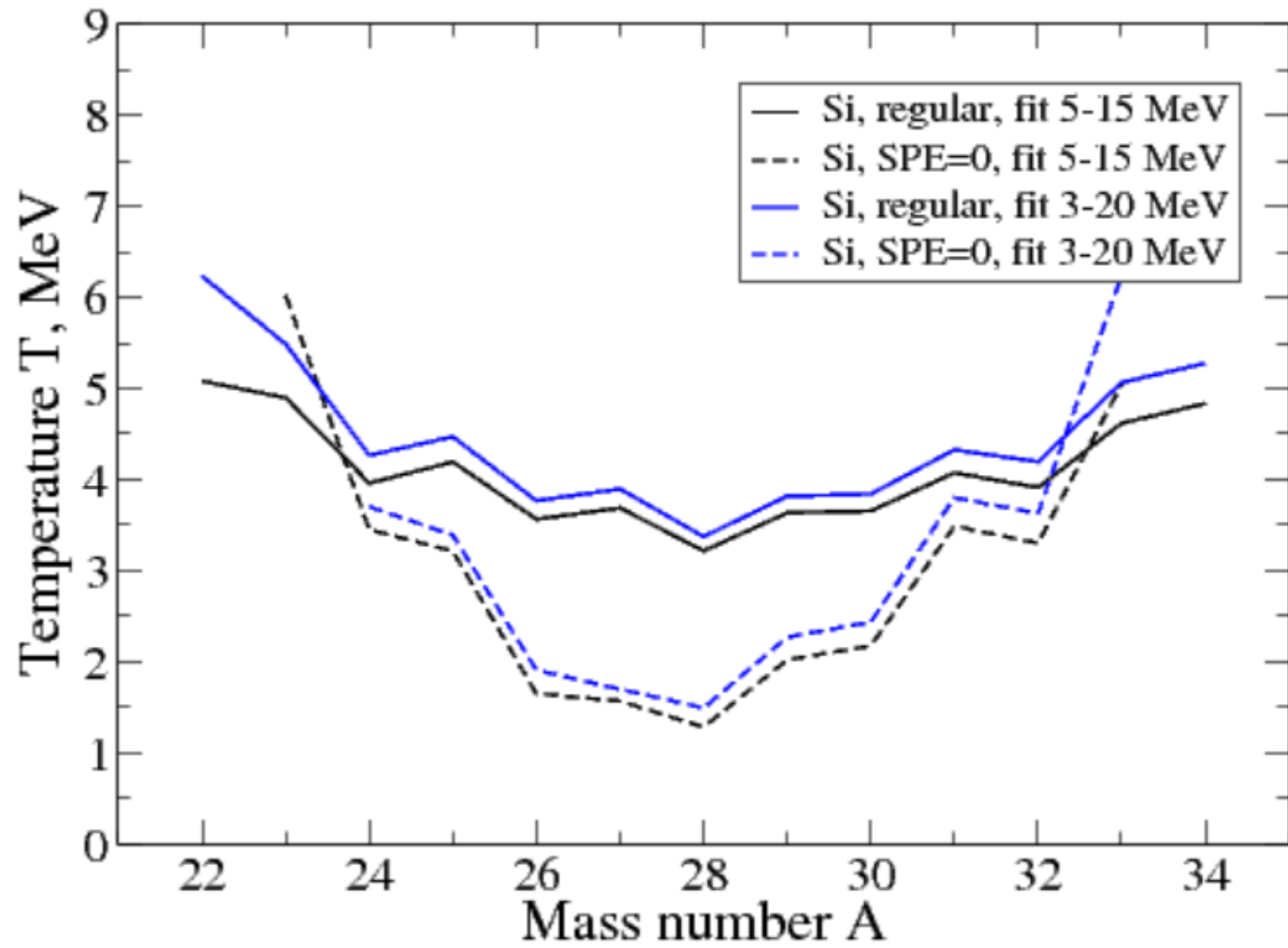
# $^{20}\text{Ne}$ ( $1\hbar\omega$ )





**Level density (0+) on two sides of deformation shape transition**

**/"collective enhancement"/**



**Sensitivity to the fit interval**

## What next?

- \* Tables for **pf-shell** – and further?
- \* Comparison of phenomenological descriptions with “Constant temperature” model
- \* New methods - Lanczos algorithm
  - hybrid methods
  - **random interactions**
- \* **Mesoscopic applications (disordered solids)**
- \* **Can we analytically derive CTM?**
- \* Computational progress
- \* **Continuum effects, width distribution, overlapping resonances**
- \* Application to reactions
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## MANY-BODY QUANTUM CHAOS AS AN INSTRUMENT

### SPECTRAL STATISTICS – *signature of chaos*

- *missing levels*
- *purity of quantum numbers*
- **level density without full diagonalization**
- *presence of time-reversal invariance*

### EXPERIMENTAL TOOL – *unresolved fine structure*

- *width distribution (more work required)*
- *damping of collective modes*

### NEW PHYSICS

- *statistical enhancement of weak perturbations  
(parity violation in neutron scattering and fission)*
- *mass fluctuations*
- *chaos on the border with continuum*

### THEORETICAL CHALLENGES

- **order out of chaos**
- **chaos and thermalization**
- **development of computational tools**
- **new approximations in many-body problem**

# INSIDE CHAOS

*I. Percival, J. Phys. B6 (1973) L229*

- *DISORDERED* wave functions
- Any *SIMPLE* operator has matrix elements of the same order of magnitude between any two of these eigenfunctions
- All typical wave functions of roughly the same energy *LOOK ROUGHLY THE SAME* being spread over the large region of configuration space

**Random matrix canonical ensembles – only as mathematical limit**

# Chaotic motion in mesoscopic systems

- \* Mean field (**one-body** chaos) - classical features
- \* Strong interaction (**many-body** chaos)
- \* High level density
- \* Mixing of simple configurations
- \* Destruction of quantum numbers,  
(in nuclei: conserved only energy; J,M; T,T3; parity)
- \* Local spectral statistics – **Gaussian Orthogonal Ensemble**
- \* Correlations between classes of states
- \* Coexistence with (damped) collective motion
- \* Thermal equilibrium – **without heat bath**
- \* Continuum effects – open system

# CLOSED MESOSCOPIC SYSTEM

at high level density

*Two languages: individual stationary wave functions  
thermal excitation*

- \* Mutually exclusive ?
- \* Complementary ?
- \* Equivalent ?

Answer depends on thermometer

# CHAOS versus THERMALIZATION

L. BOLTZMANN - *Stosszahlansatz* = MOLECULAR CHAOS

N. BOHR - *Compound nucleus* = MANY-BODY CHAOS

N. S. KRYLOV - *Foundations of statistical mechanics*

L. Van HOVE - *Quantum ergodicity*

L. D. LANDAU and E. M. LIFSHITZ - “*Statistical Physics*”

Average over the equilibrium ensemble should coincide with the expectation value in a generic individual eigenstate of the same energy – the results of measurements in a closed system do not depend on exact microscopic conditions or phase relationships if the eigenstates at the same energy have similar macroscopic properties

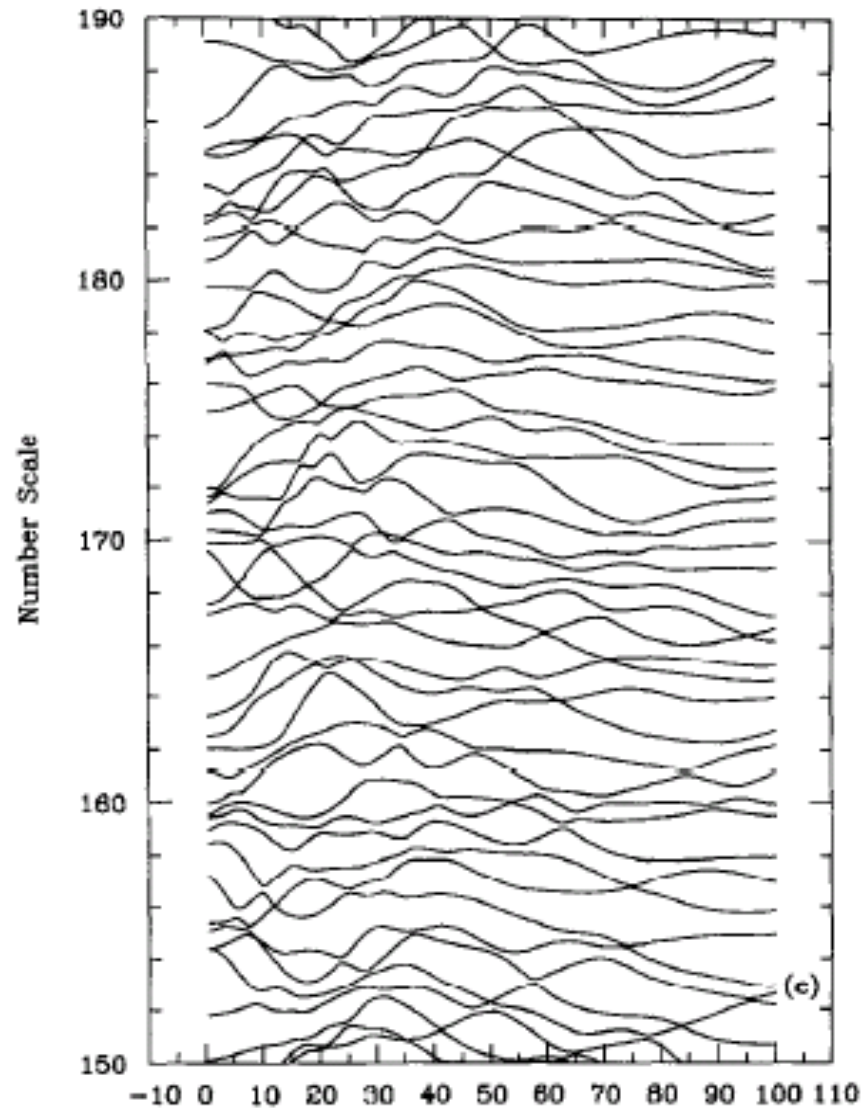
## **Eigenstate Thermalization Hypothesis**

**TOOL: MANY-BODY QUANTUM CHAOS**



## LEVEL DYNAMICS

WAY to CHAOS:  
MULTIPLE  
AVOIDED  
CROSSINGS  
as a function  
of interaction strength



(shell model of  $^{24}\text{Mg}$   
as a typical example)

Fraction (%) of realistic strength

*From turbulent to laminar level dynamics*  
Chaos due to particle interactions at high level density

## MEASURING COMPLEXITY

Eigenstate  $|\alpha\rangle$  in a shell model basis  $|k\rangle$

$$|\alpha\rangle = \sum_k C_k^\alpha |k\rangle$$

Information entropy

$$S^\alpha = - \sum_k |C_k^\alpha|^2 \ln |C_k^\alpha|^2$$

No mixing:  $S^\alpha \rightarrow 0$

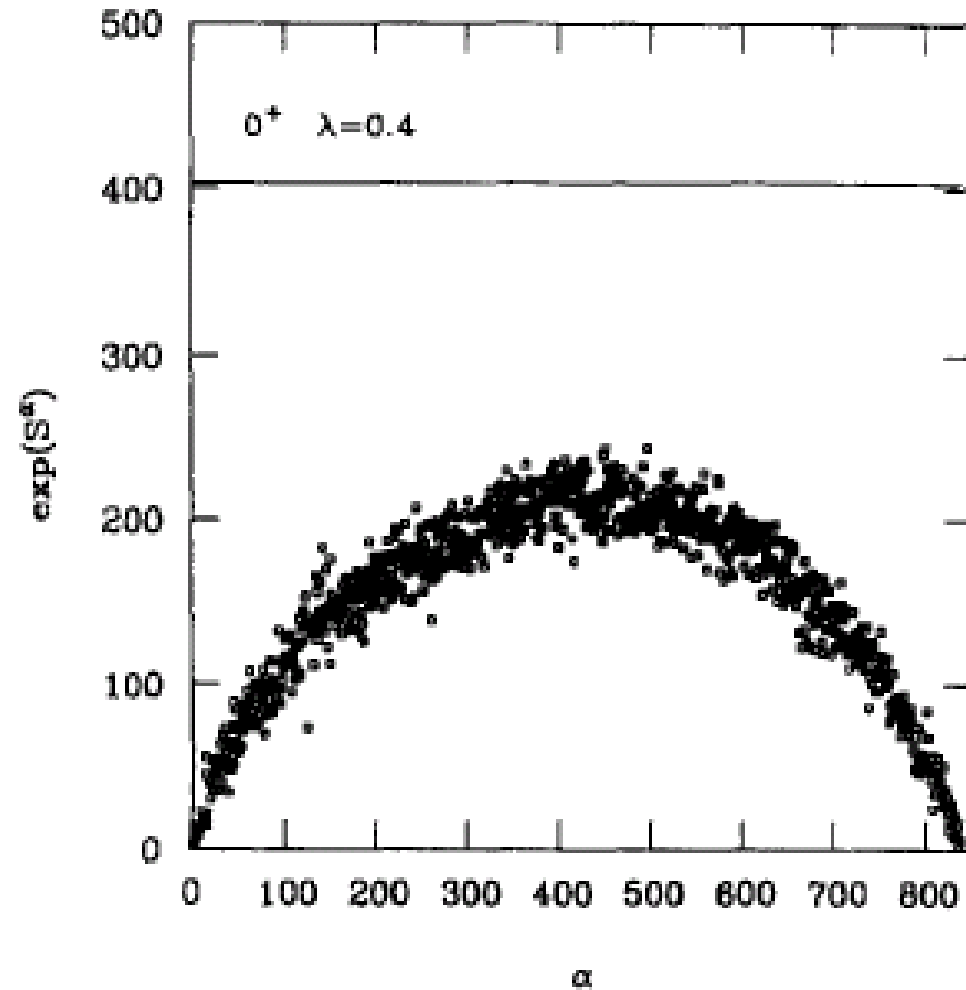
“Microcanonical” mixing:  $S^\alpha \rightarrow \ln N$

GOE:  $\overline{S^\alpha} = \ln(0.48N)$

Shannon  
entropy

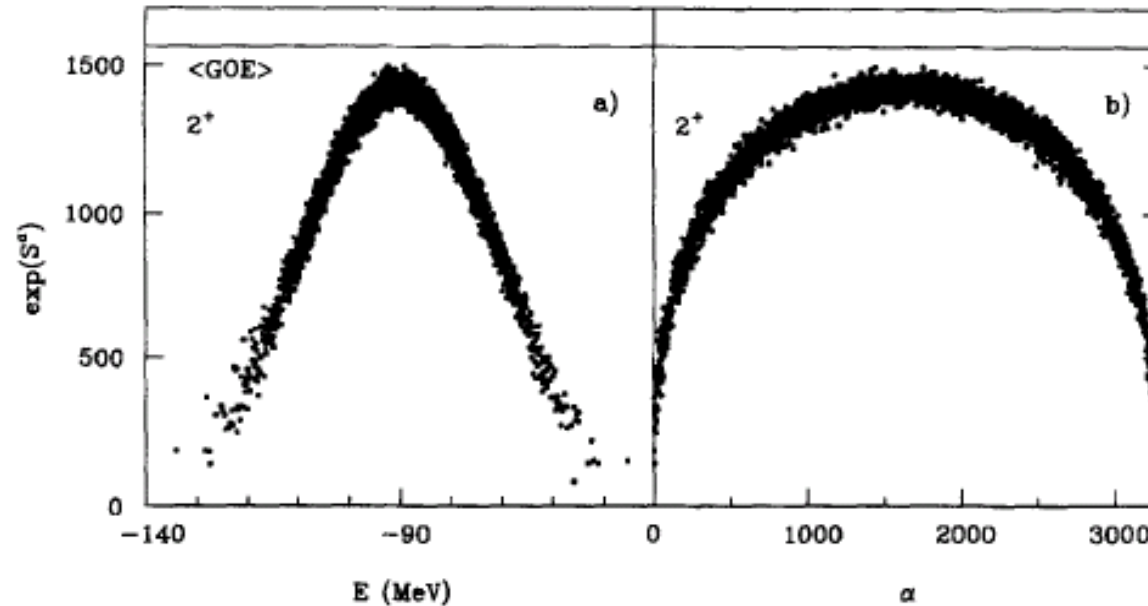
Information entropy is basis-dependent  
- special role of mean field

28 Si Shell Model  
(artificially weak  
interaction)



**INFORMATION ENTROPY AT WEAK INTERACTION**

28 Si shell model  
Realistic interaction  
strength

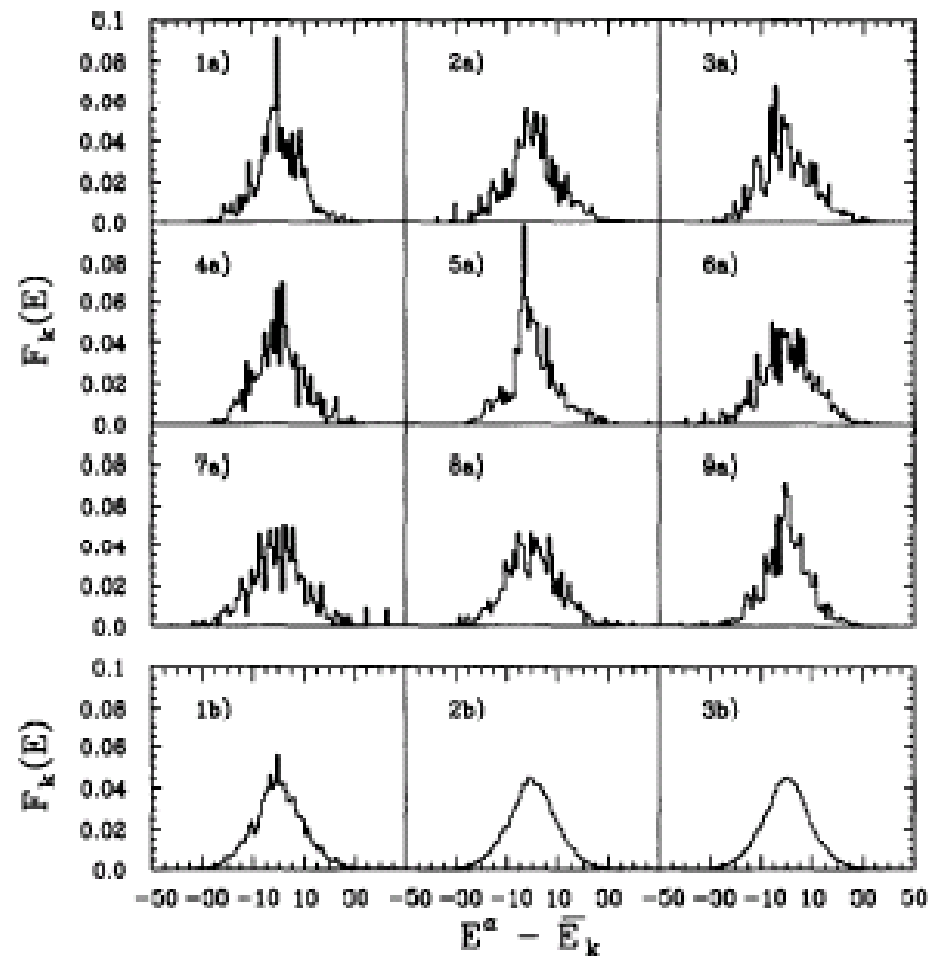


## **INFORMATION ENTROPY of EIGENSTATES**

(a) function of energy; (b) function of ordinal number

ORDERING of EIGENSTATES of GIVEN SYMMETRY

***SHANNON ENTROPY AS THERMODYNAMIC VARIABLE***



9 INDIVIDUAL STATES

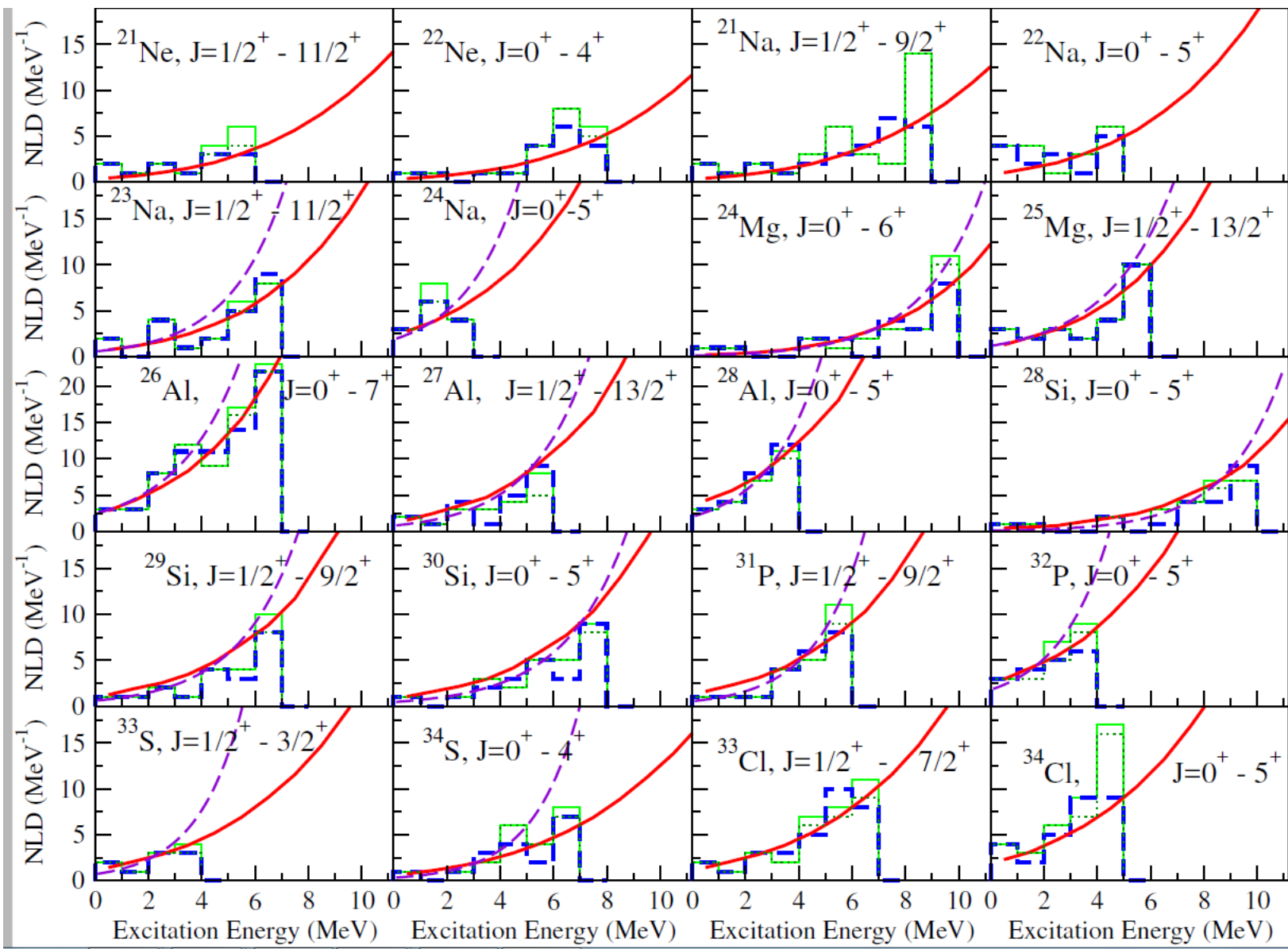
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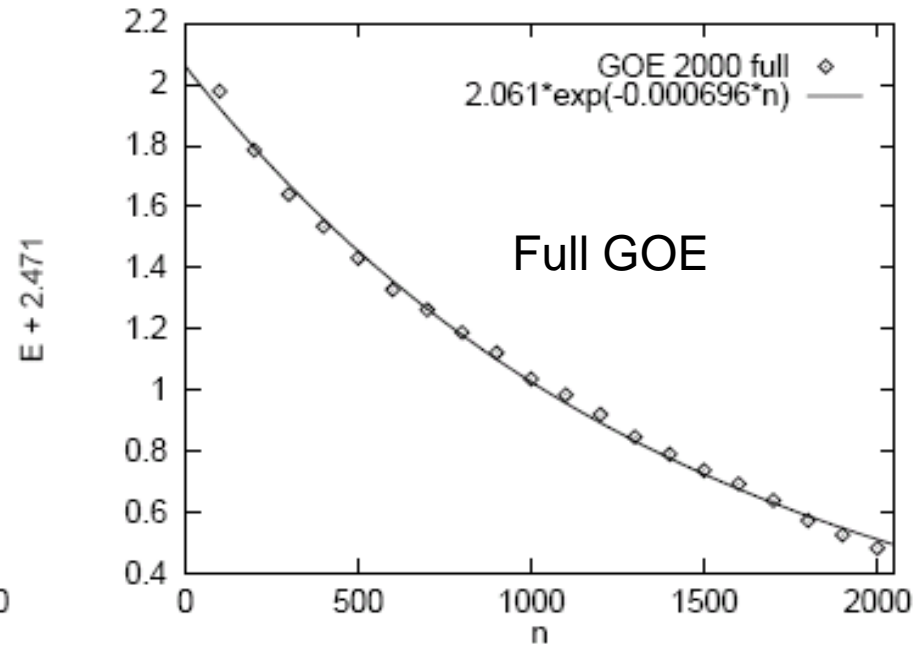
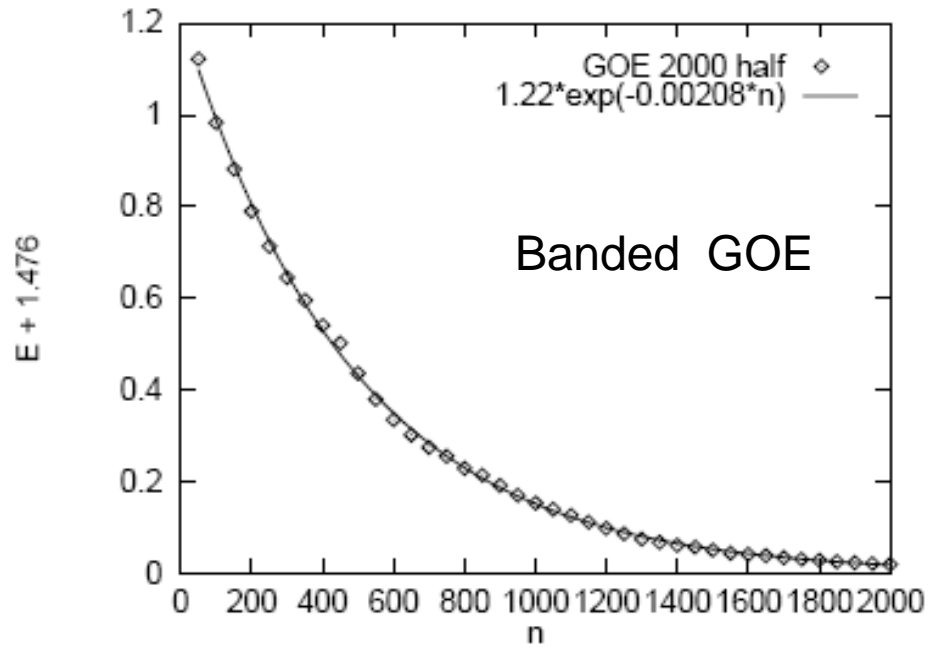
10, 100, 400 STATES

STRENGTH FUNCTION

$$F_k(E) = \sum_{\alpha} (C_k^{\alpha})^2 \delta(E - E_{\alpha})$$

Local density of states in condensed matter physics



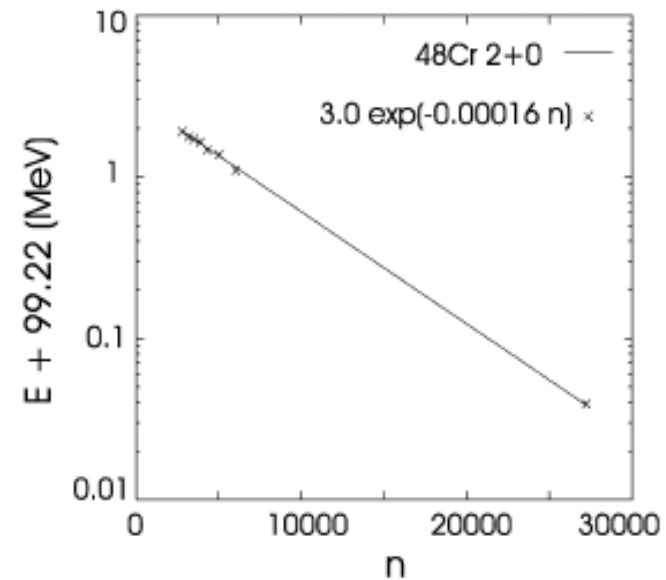
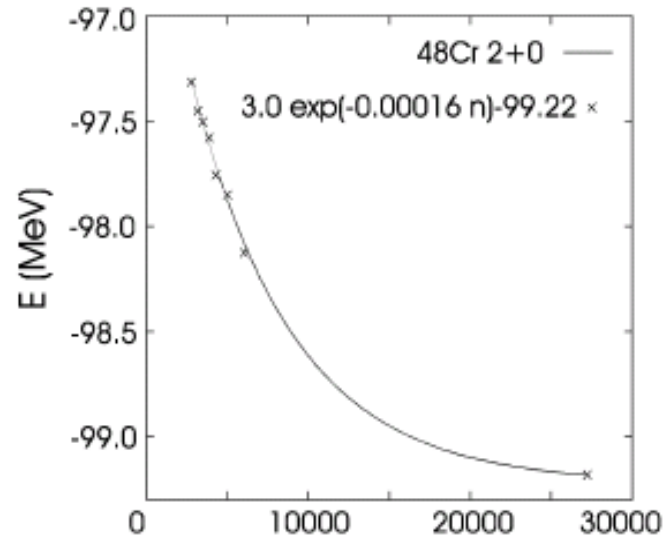


## GROUND STATE ENERGY OF RANDOM MATRICES

*EXPONENTIAL CONVERGENCE*

SPECIFIC PROPERTY of RANDOM MATRICES ?

/The proof based on the Lanczos algorithm/



REALISTIC  
 SHELL  
 MODEL

48 Cr

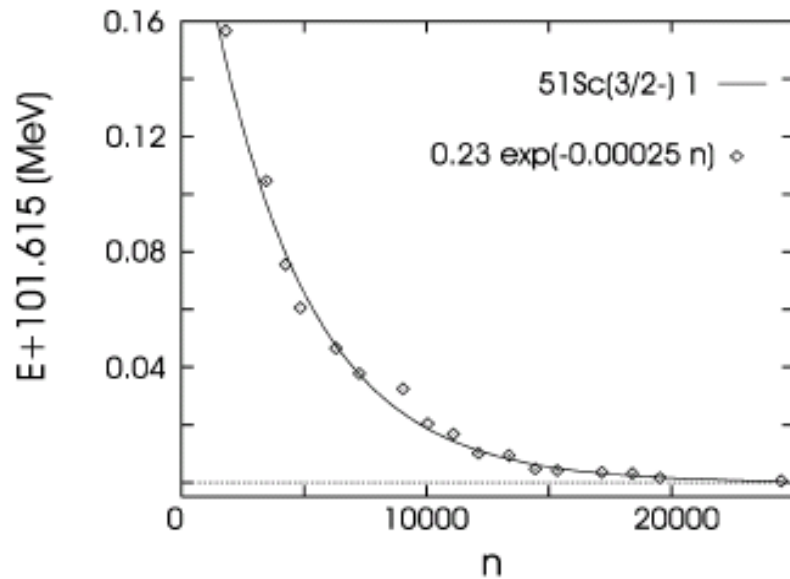
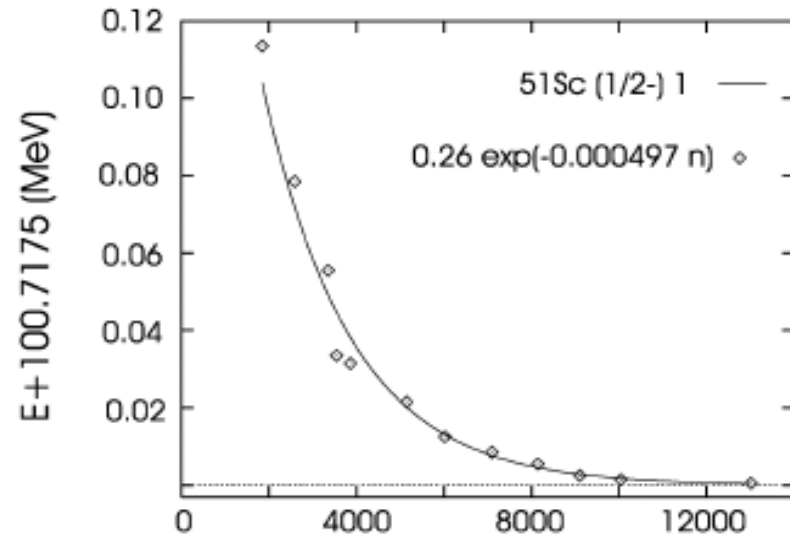
Excited state  
 $J=2, T=0$

EXPONENTIAL  
CONVERGENCE !

$$E(n) = E + \exp(-an)$$

$$n \sim 4/N$$





## REALISTIC SHELL MODEL

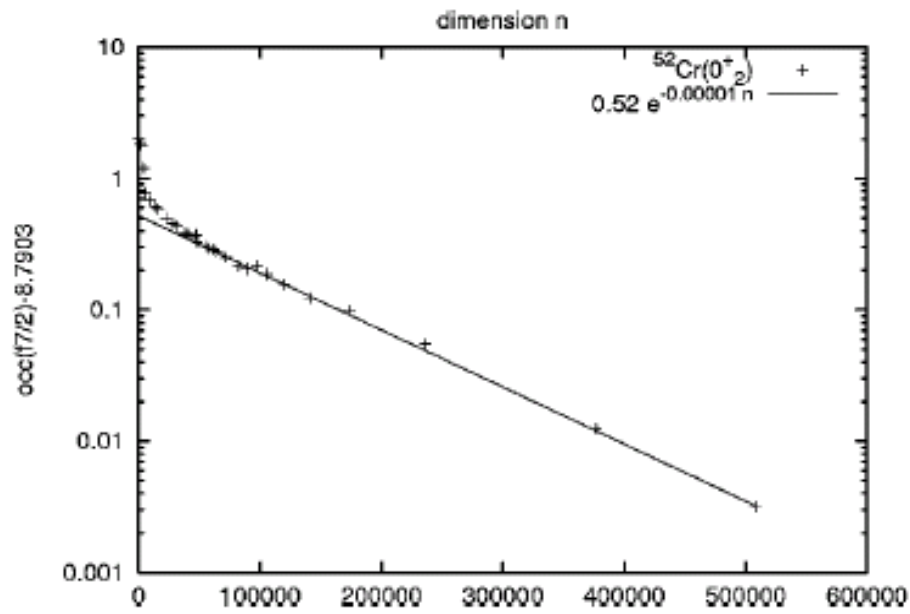
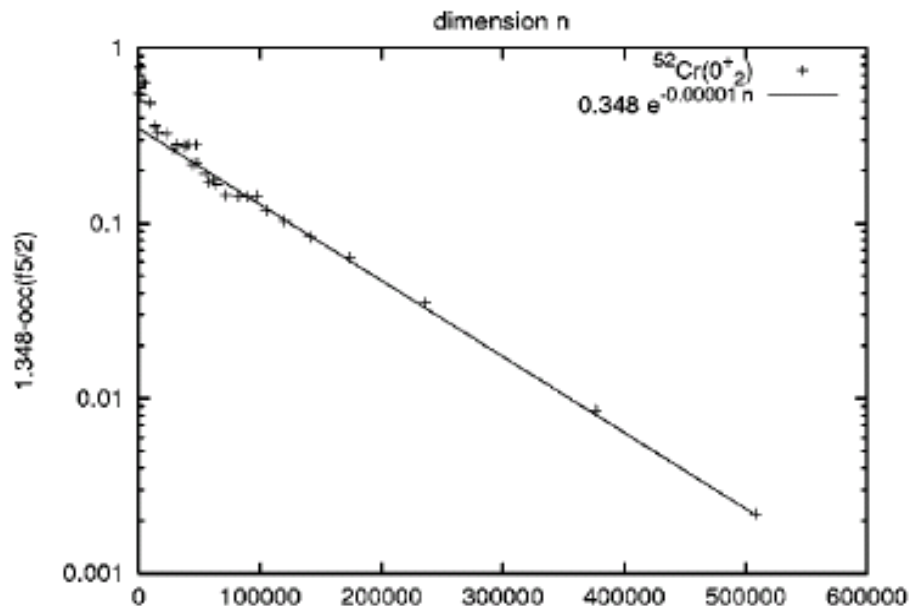
## EXCITED STATES 51Sc

1/2-, 3/2-

Faster convergence:

$$E(n) = E + \exp(-an)$$

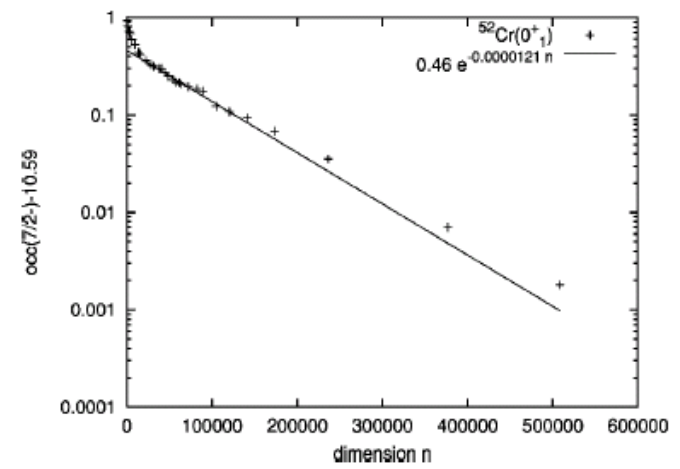
$$a \sim 6/N$$



# EXPONENTIAL CONVERGENCE OF SINGLE-PARTICLE OCCUPANCIES

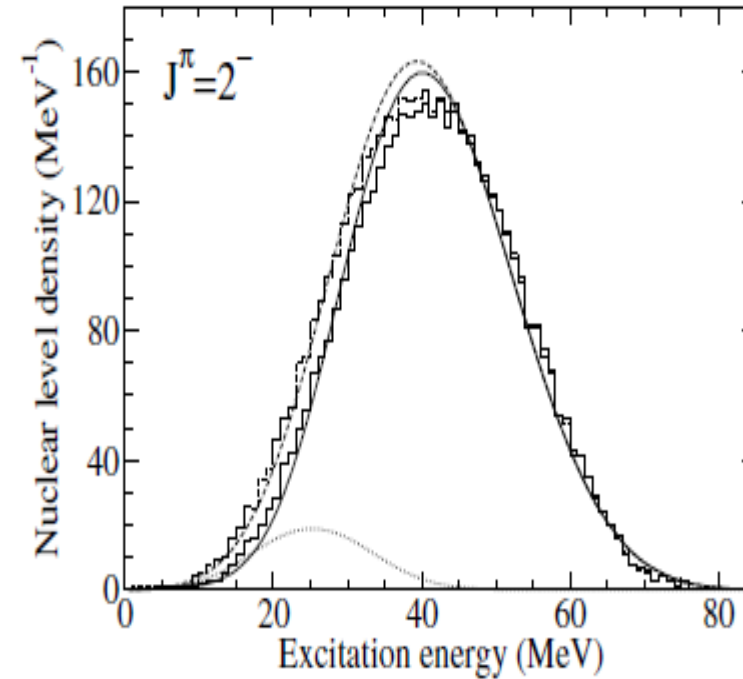
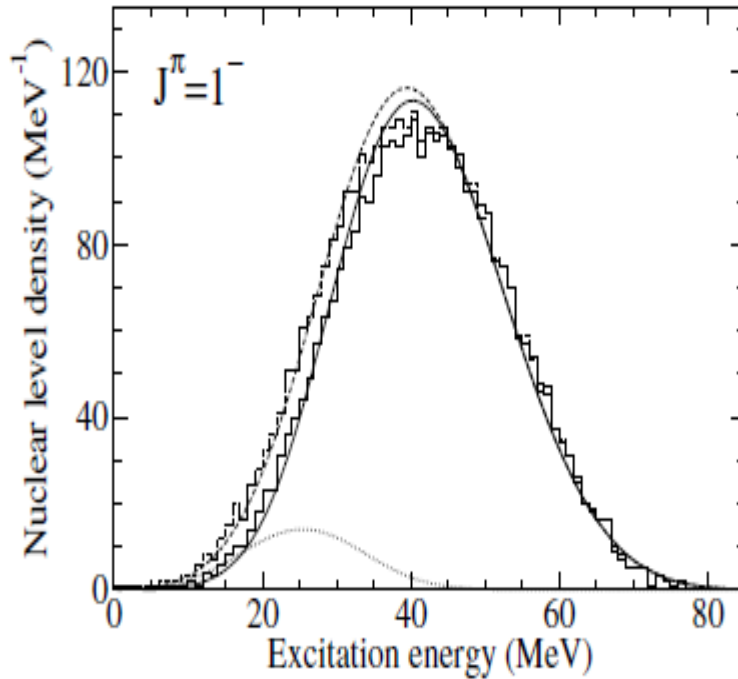
(first excited state J=0)

$^{52}$   
Cr



Fit with  $\gamma' = \gamma$

## 20 Ne



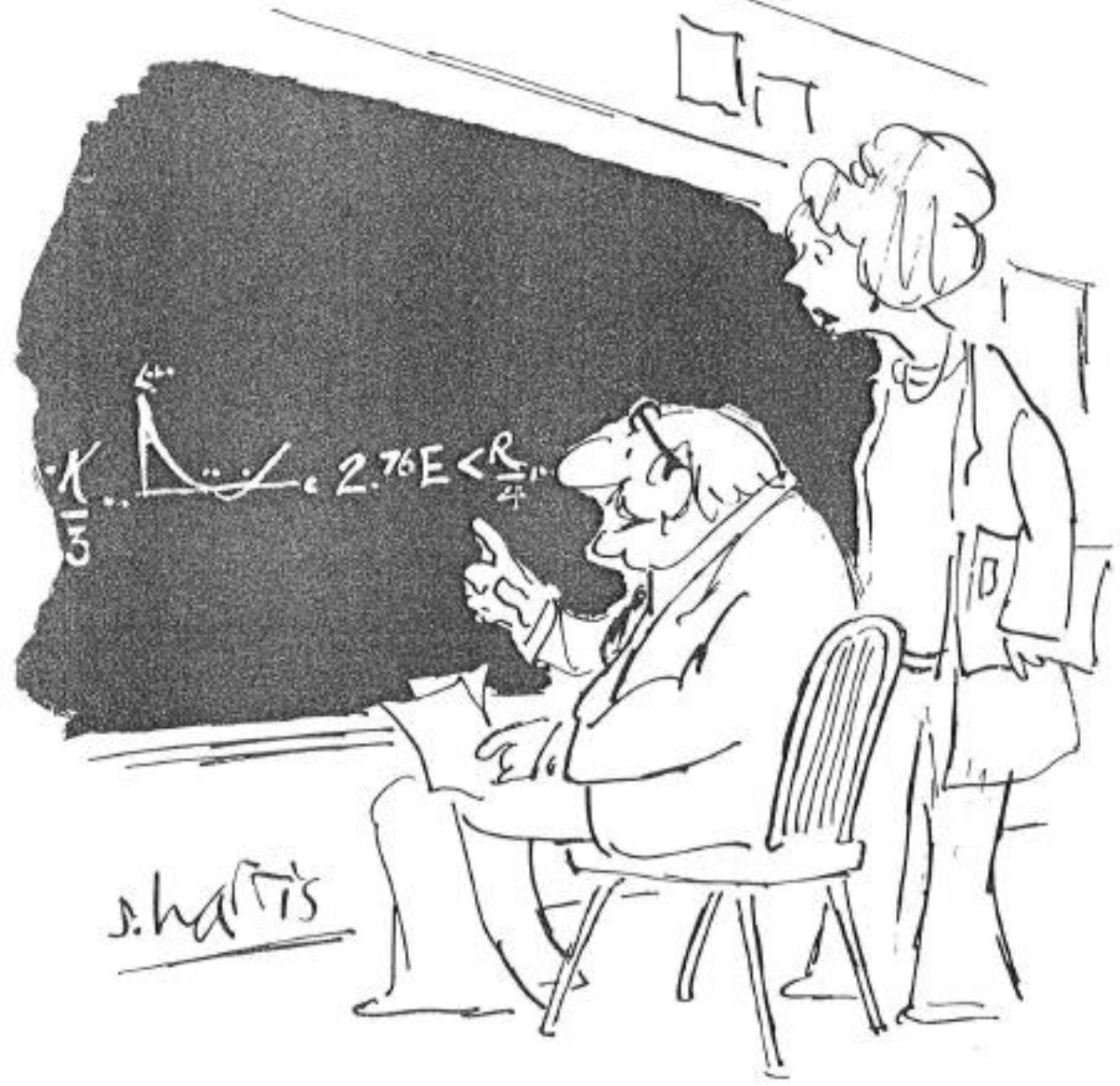
s + p + sd + pf shell space  
WBT interaction,  
negative parity

$$1\hbar\omega \text{ subspace } H \rightarrow H' = H + \beta \left[ \left( H_{CM} - \frac{3}{2}\hbar\omega \right) \frac{A}{\hbar\omega} \right]$$

Exact shell model: stair-dashed (with CM) and stair-solid (no CM)

**Method of moments:** straight-dashed (with CM) and straight-solid (no CM)

**Dotted line:** spurious states



"THE BEAUTY OF THIS IS THAT IT IS ONLY OF THEORETICAL IMPORTANCE, AND THERE IS NO WAY IT CAN BE OF ANY PRACTICAL USE WHATSOEVER."

Analytical results for tridiagonal matrices

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_1 & V_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ V_2 & \epsilon_2 & V_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & V_3 & \epsilon_3 & V_4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & V_n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & V_n & \epsilon_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Recurrence relation for determinants

$$D_n(E) = (\epsilon_n - E)D_{n-1}(E) - V_n^2 D_{n-2}(E)$$

Convergence is determined by

$$\lambda_n^2 = V_n^2 / (\epsilon_n \epsilon_{n-1})$$

Assume  
existence  
of the limit

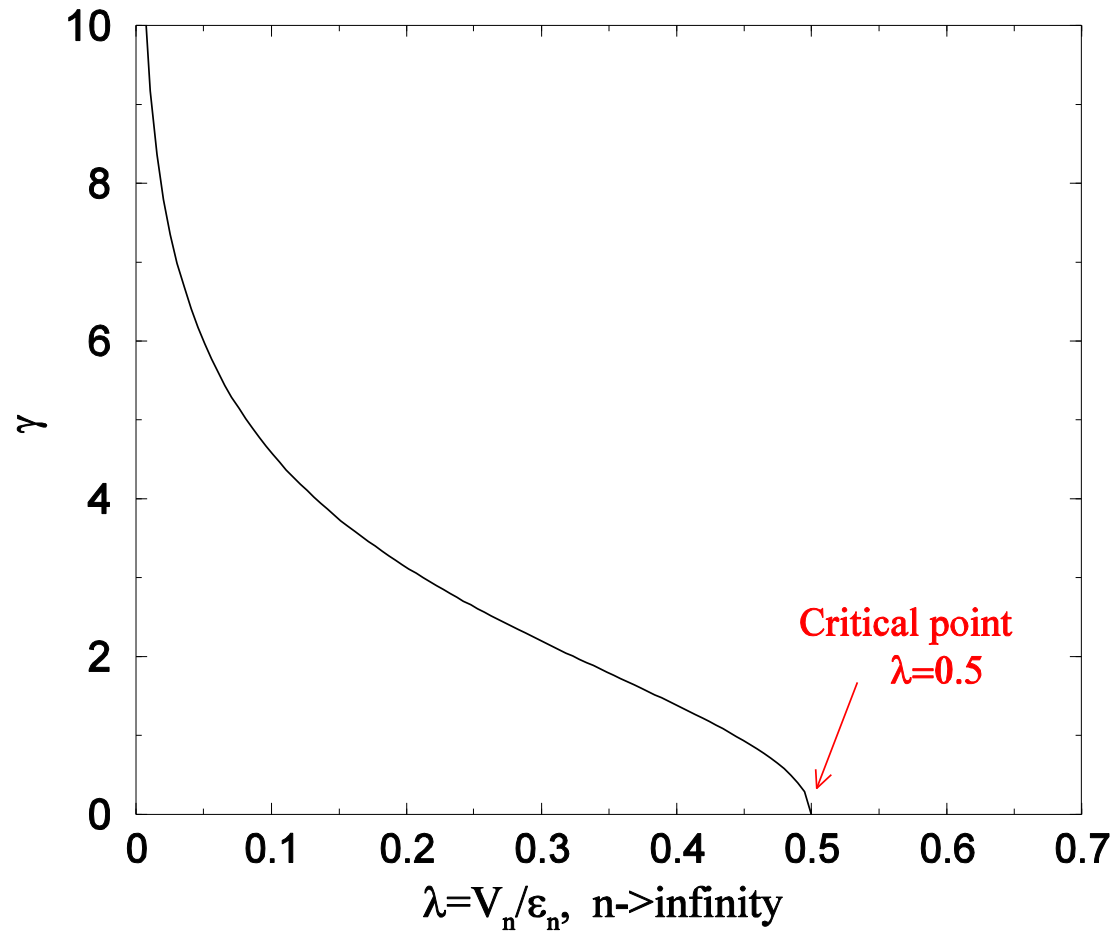
$$\lambda_n \Rightarrow \lambda$$

at

$$n \Rightarrow \infty$$

**New method for  
shell-model  
level density  
/B.A. Brown, 2018/**

## CONVERGENCE REGIMES



•  $\lambda = 0$



*Fast  
convergence*

•  $0 < \lambda < 1/2$



*Exponential  
convergence*

•  $\lambda = 1/2$



*Power law*

•  $\lambda > 1/2$



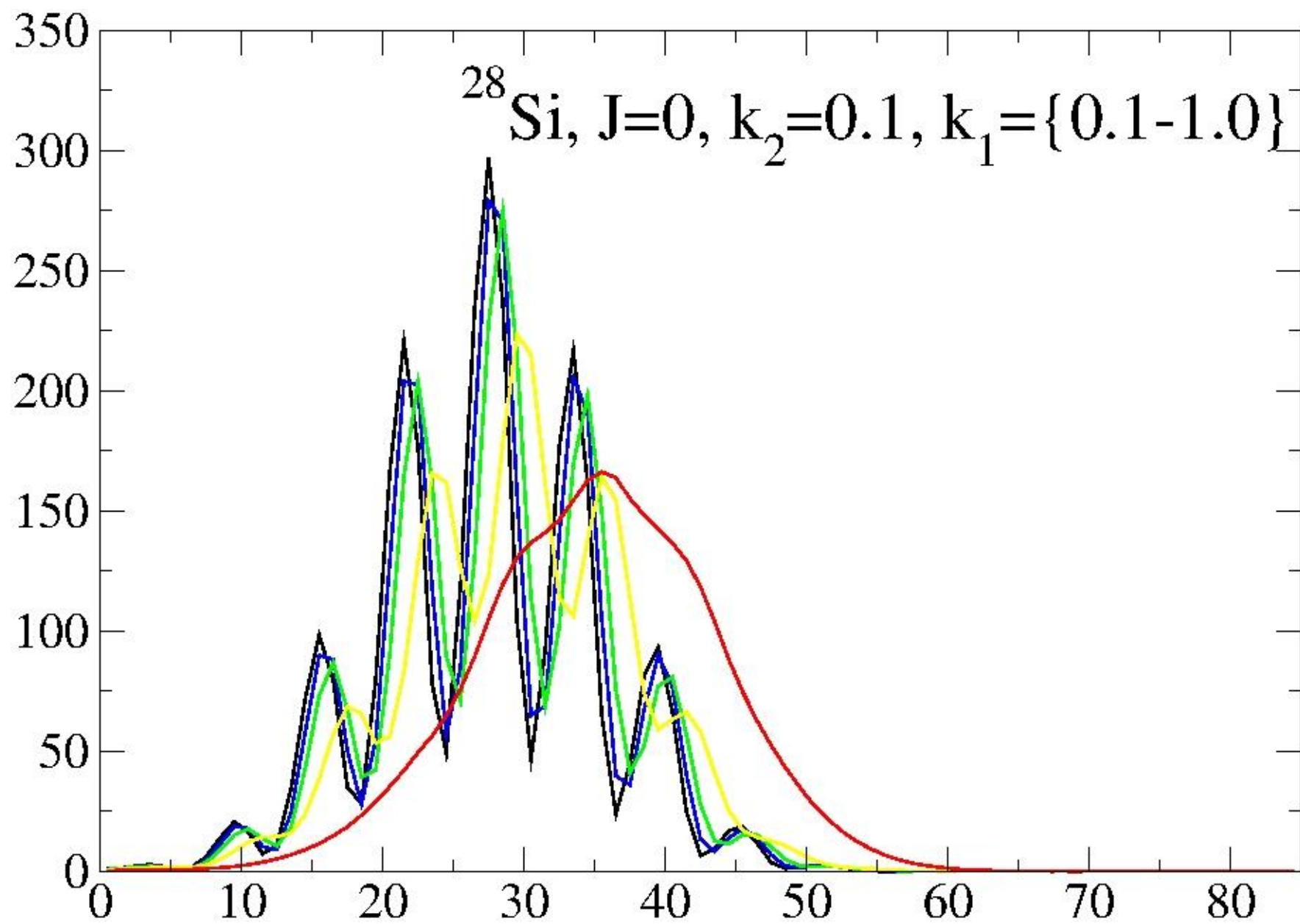
*Divergence*

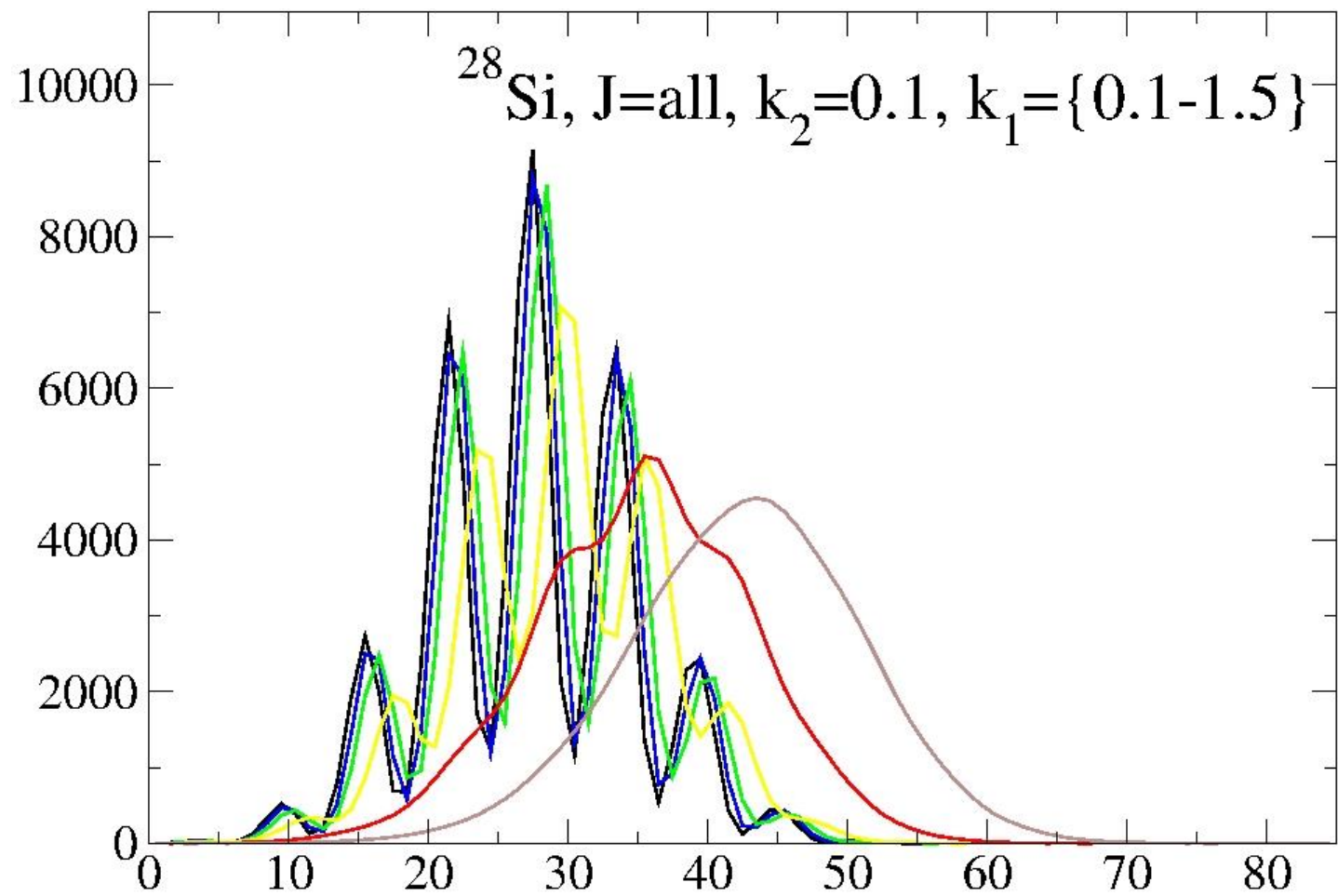
Exponential convergence

$\sim \exp(-\gamma n)$

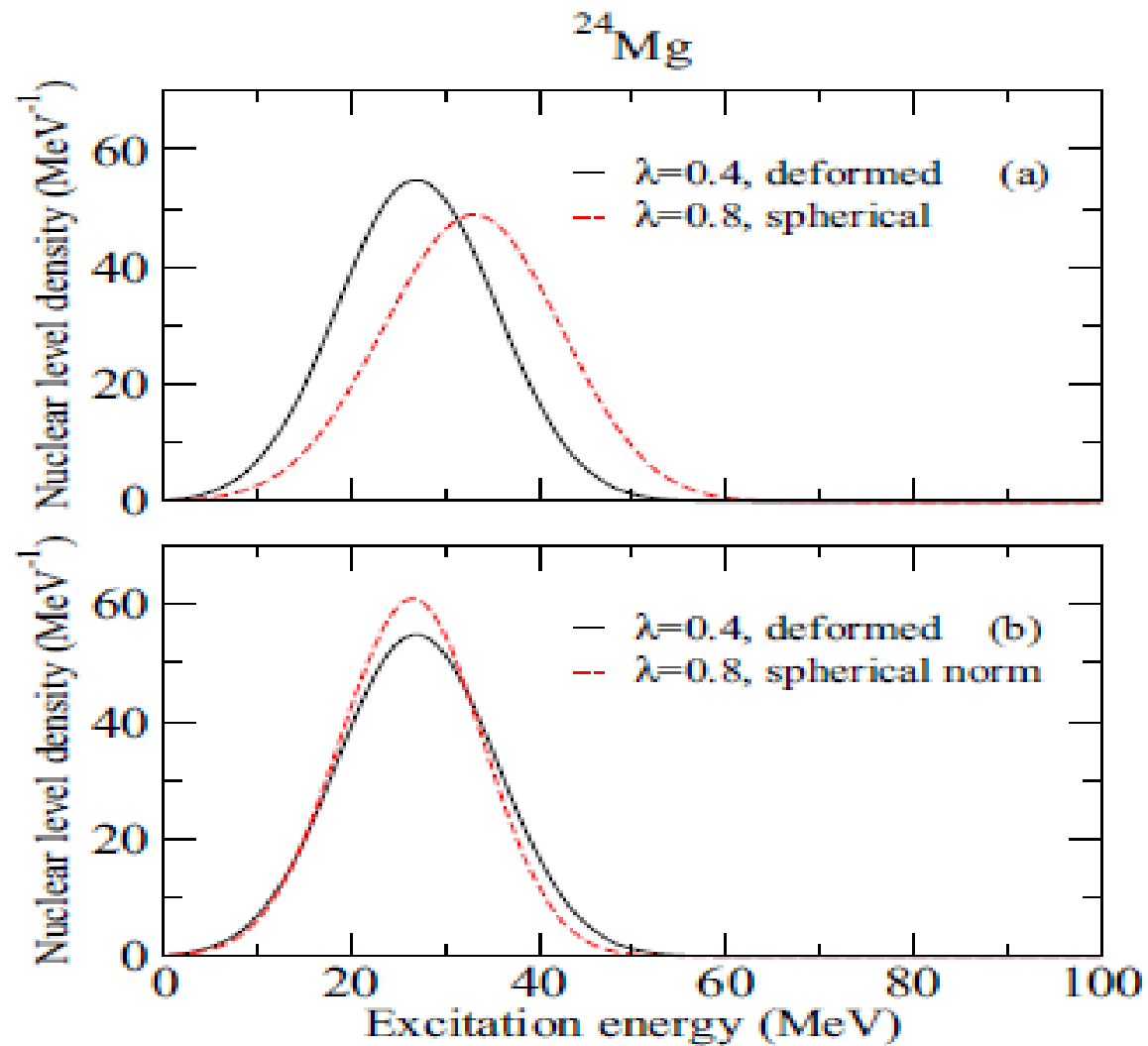


$$\gamma = -\ln \left\{ \frac{1}{2\lambda^2} (1 - 2\lambda^2 - \sqrt{1 - 4\lambda^2}) \right\}$$





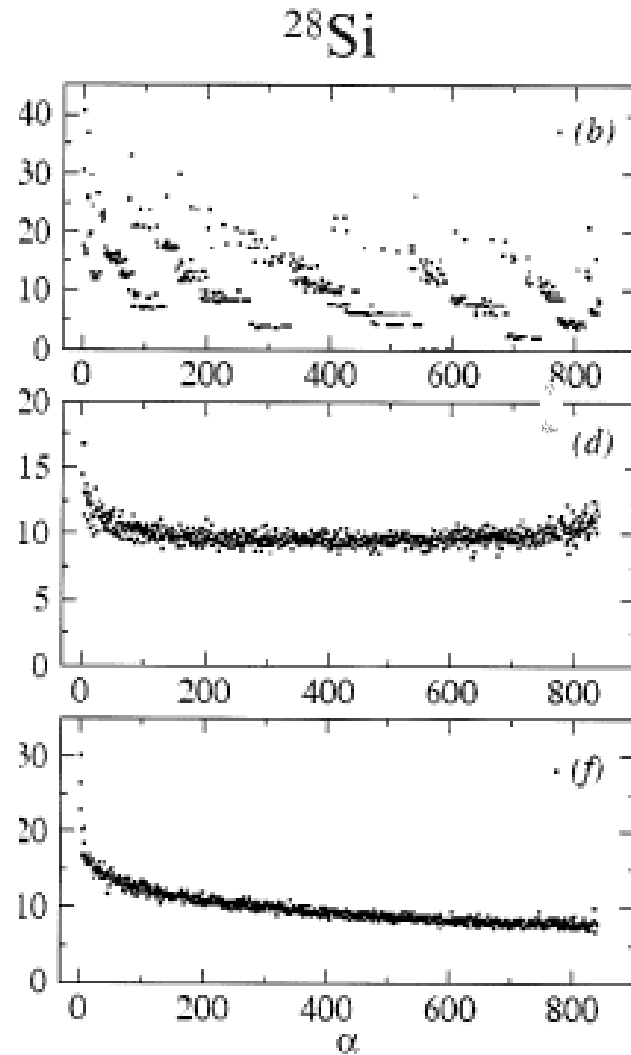




**Level density (0+)  
on two sides of  
deformation shape  
transition**

**/"collective enhancement"/**

States J=0



## PAIR CORRELATOR

(b) Only pairing

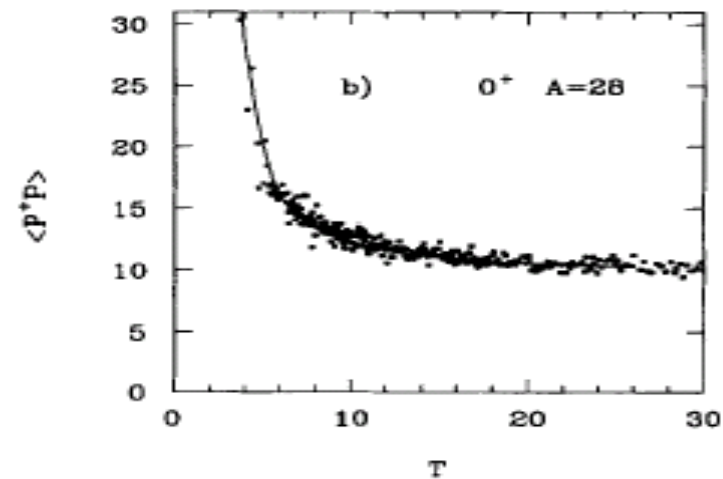
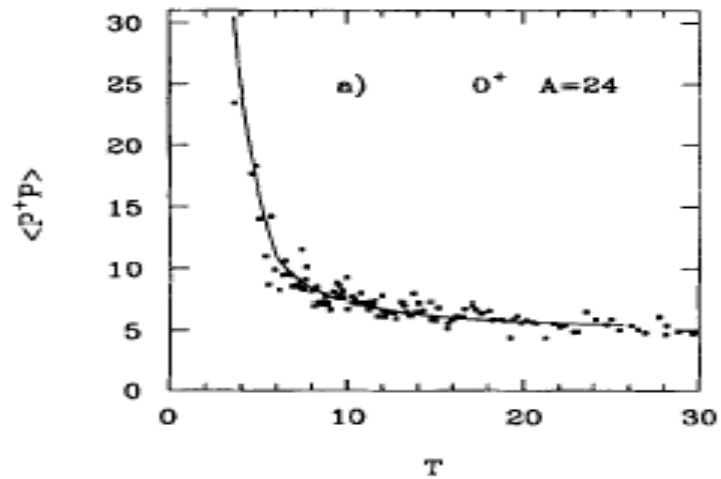
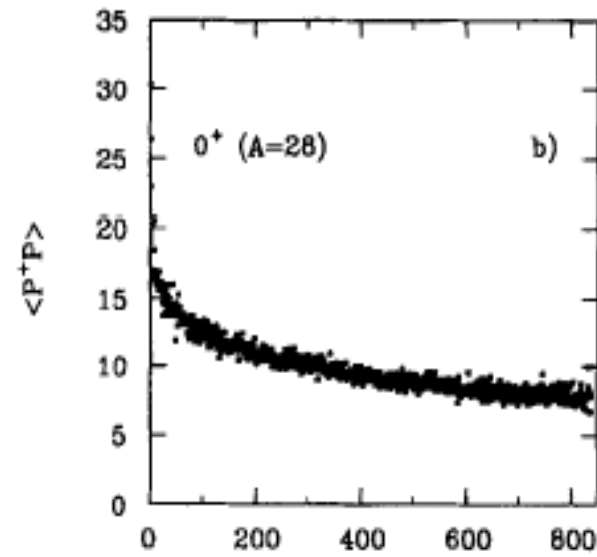
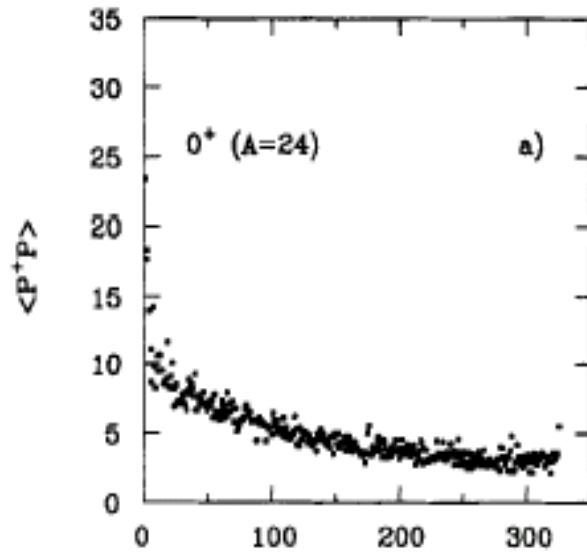
(d) Non-pairing  
interactions

(f) All interactions

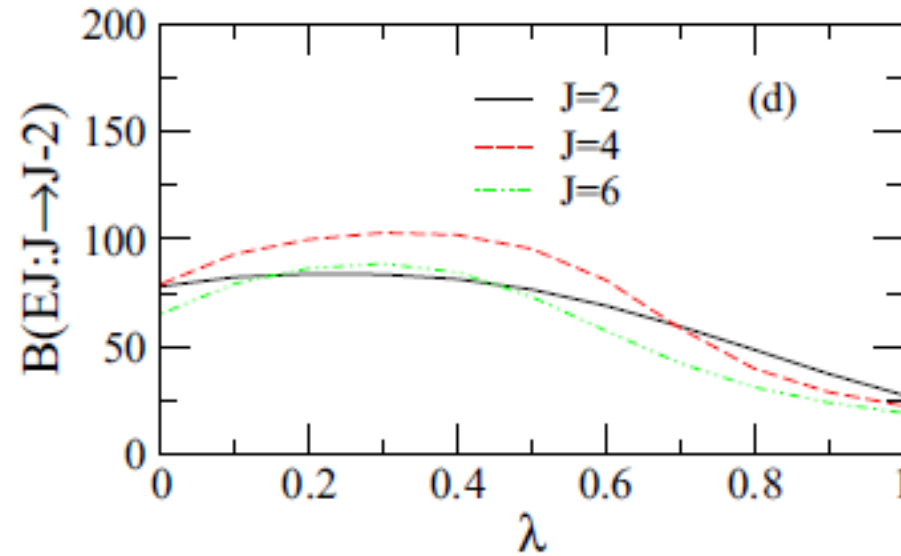
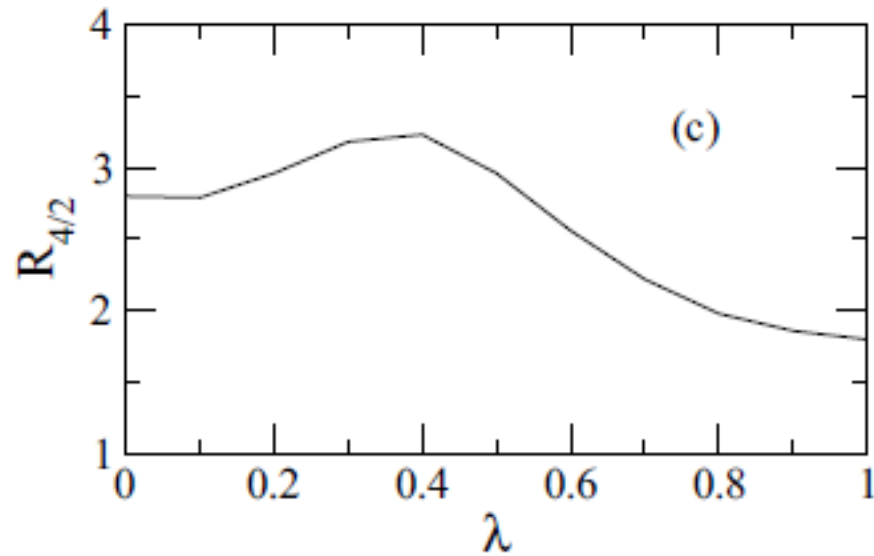
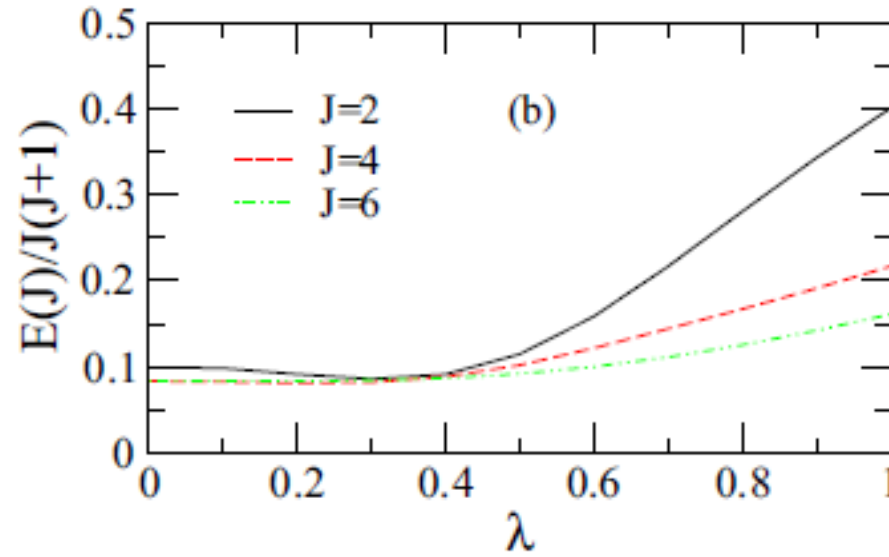
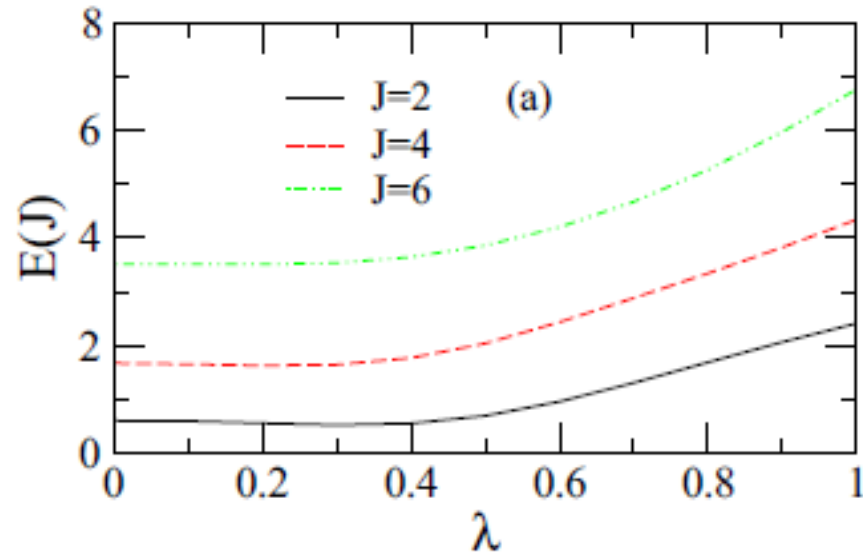
$$\mathcal{H}_P = \sum_{t=0,\pm 1} P_t^\dagger P_t$$

$$P_t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_j [a_j a_j]_{J=0, T=1, T_3=t}$$

# PAIRING PHASE TRANSITION



*PAIR CORRELATOR as a THERMODYNAMIC FUNCTION*



24 Mg

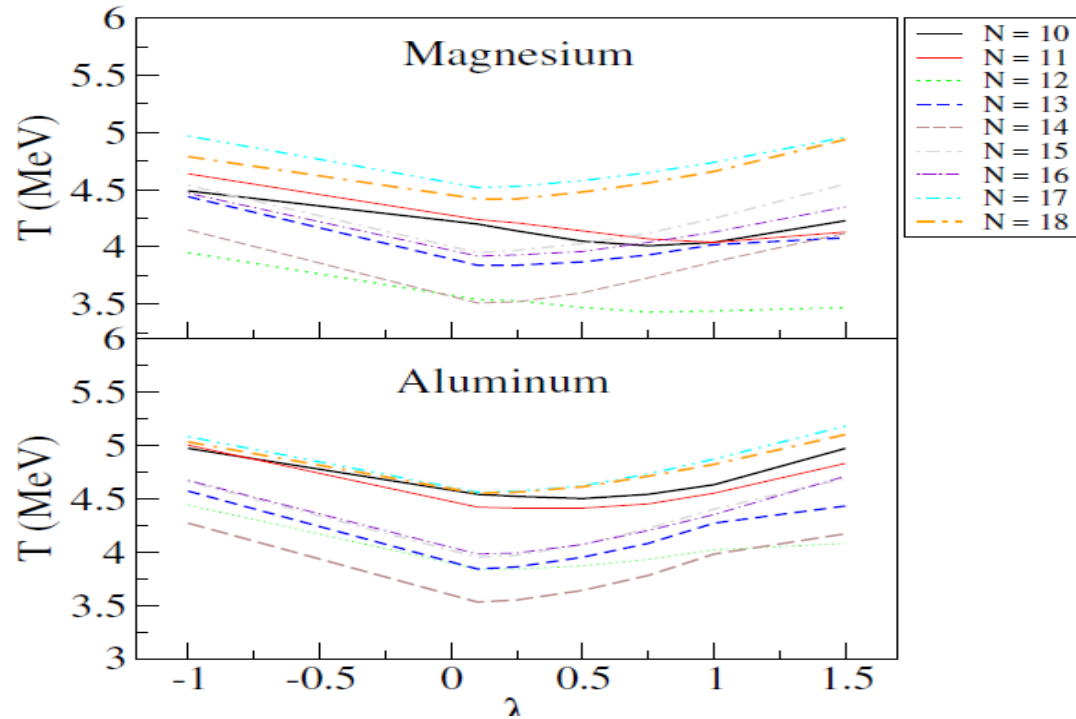
Low-lying levels  
in absolute (a)  
and rotational (b)  
units;

Ratio  $E(4)/E(2)$  (c)

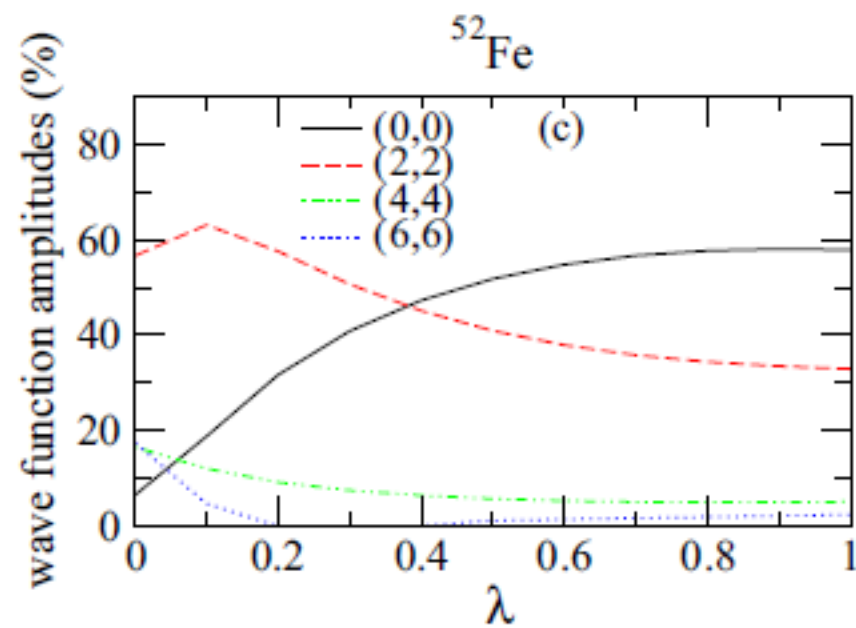
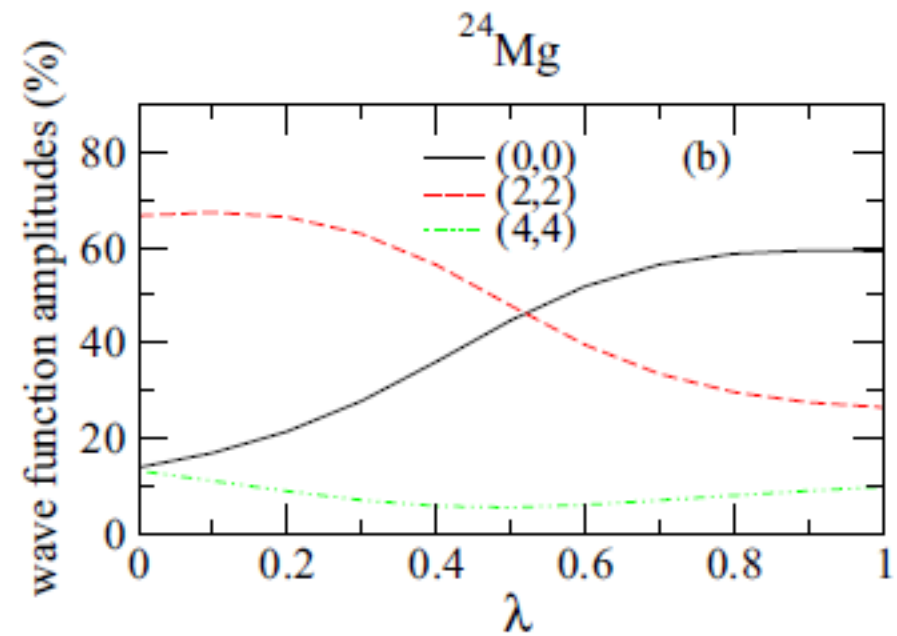
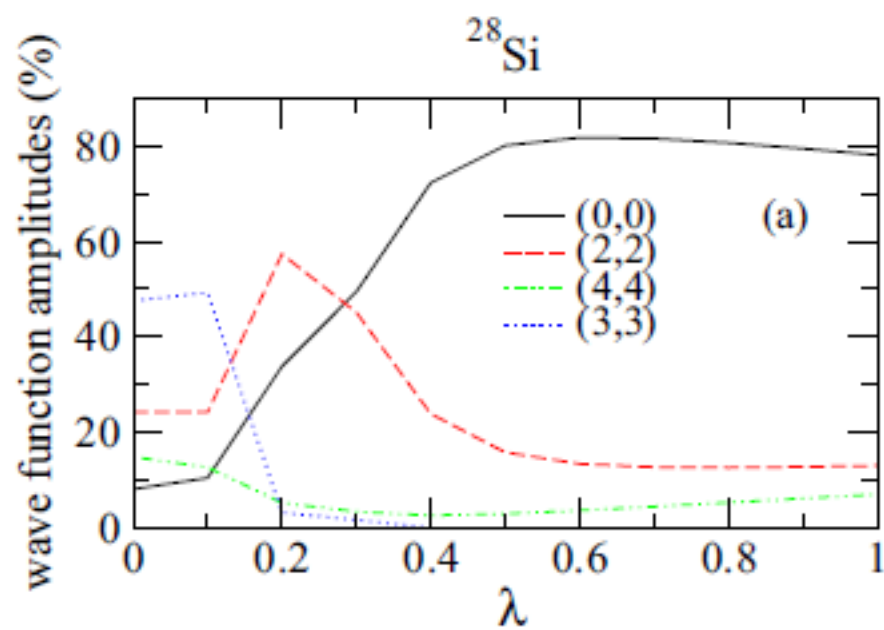
Transition rates (d)

$$H = h + (1 - \lambda)V_1 + \lambda V_2$$

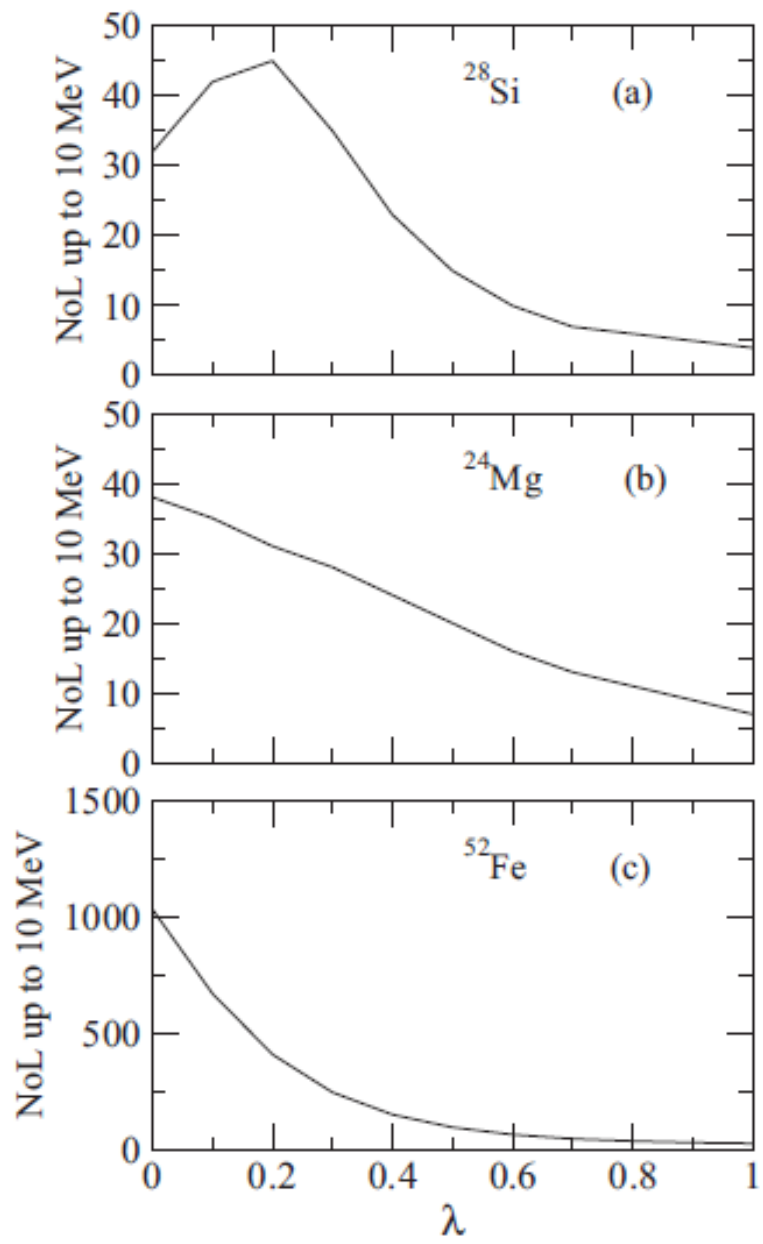
$V(1)$  = matrix elements of the two-body interaction  
with change of orbital momentum of one particle  
by 2 units (the same parity) – way to deformation



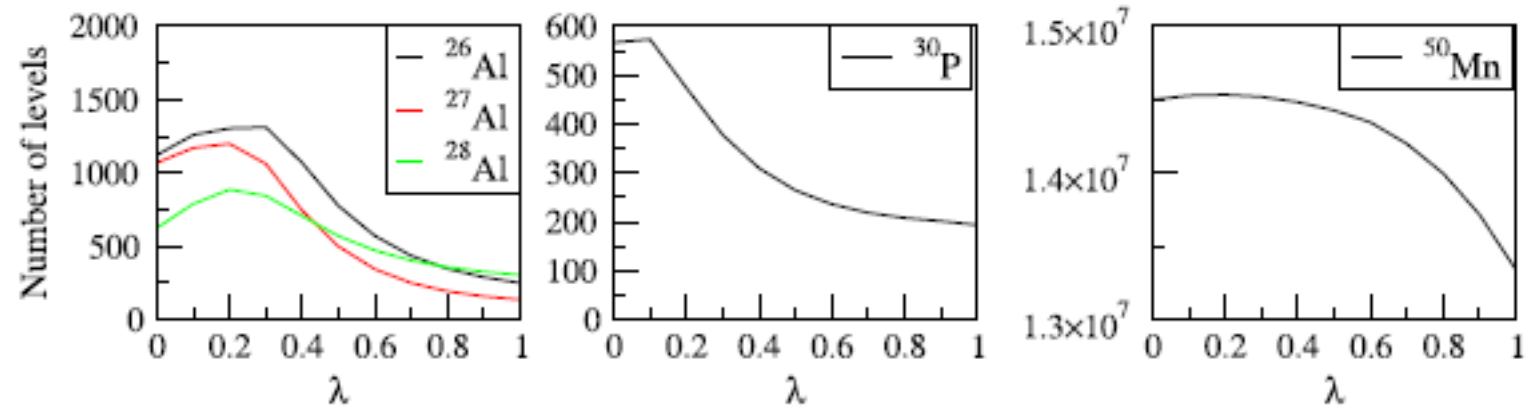
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**Amplitudes of the ground state wave functions in terms of  $[J(p), J(n)]$**



**Number of  $0+$  levels up to energy 10 MeV**

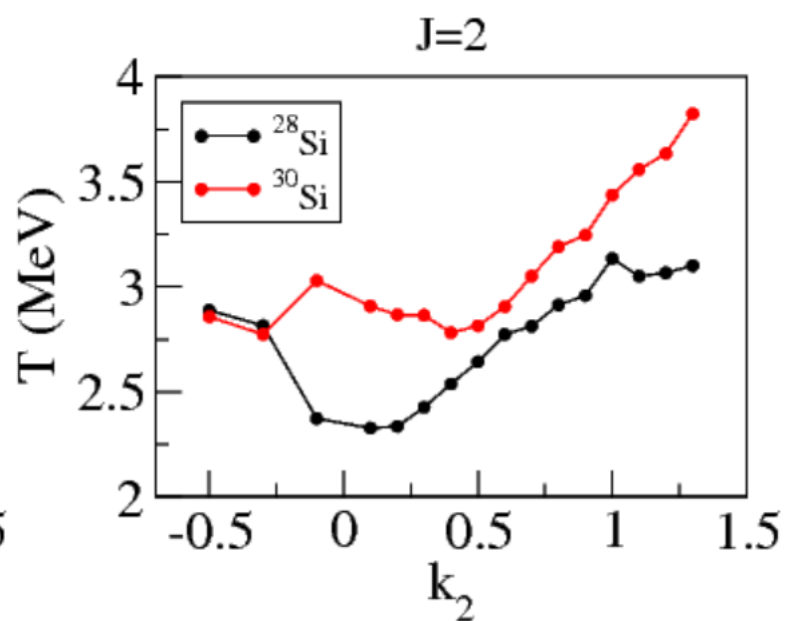
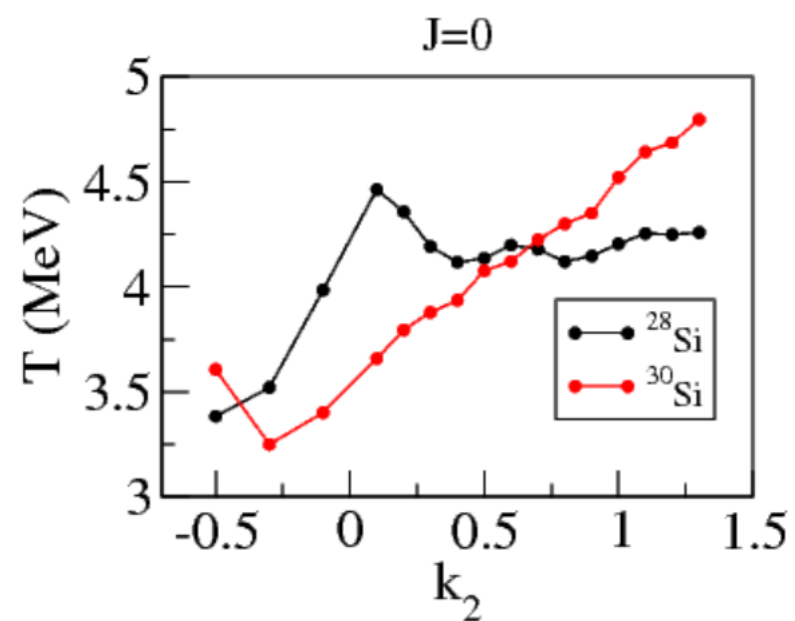
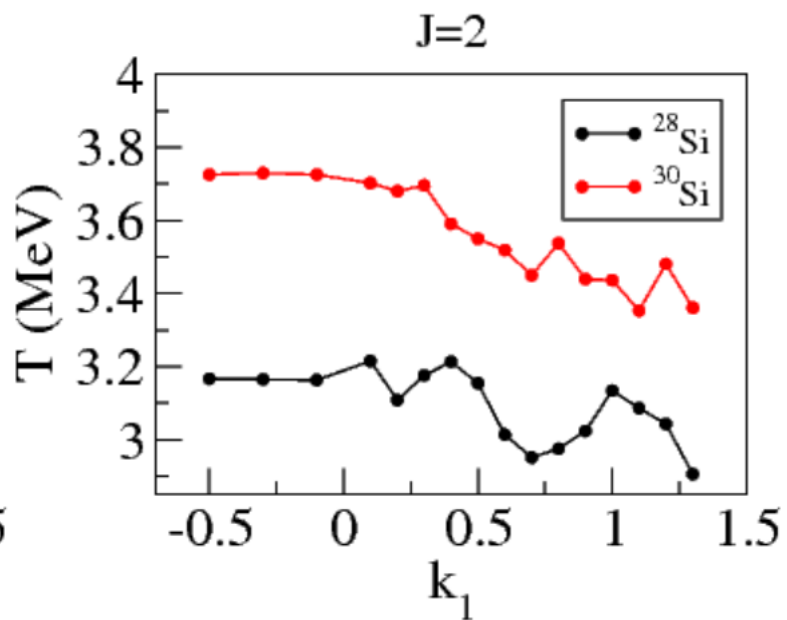
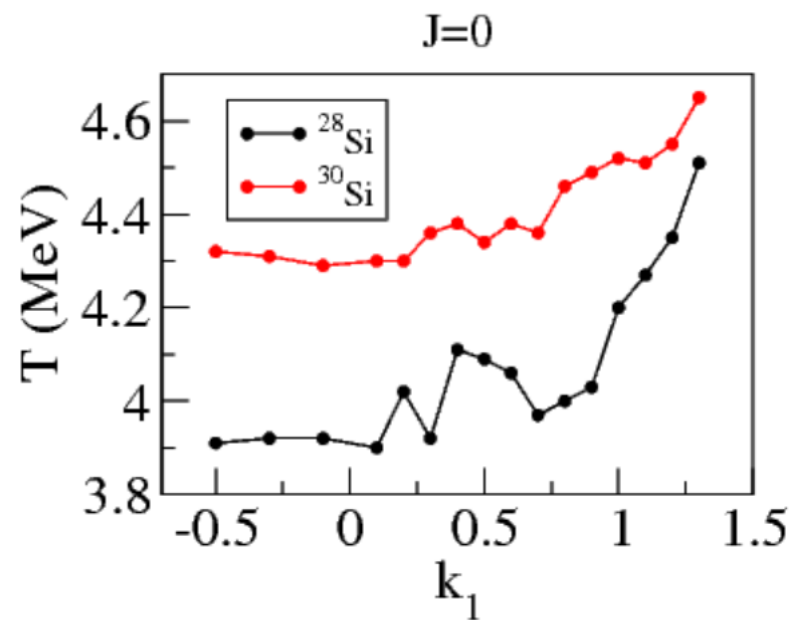


$J=0 - 10$  for  $^{26}\text{Al}$ ,  $^{28}\text{Al}$ ,  $^{30}\text{P}$  (up to 10 MeV)

$J=1/2 - 21/2$  for  $^{27}\text{Al}$  (up to 10 MeV)

$J=0 - 10$  for  $^{50}\text{Mn}$  (up to 60 MeV)

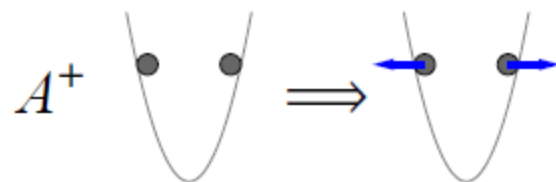




## Removal of the center-of-mass spurious states

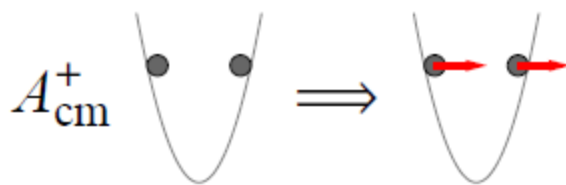
### Harmonic oscillator:

$$\mathcal{N}_{spur}(K\hbar\omega) \sim \sum_{K'=1}^K \mathcal{N}_{pure}((K - K')\hbar\omega),$$



where  $K'$  presents how many times we act with  $A_{cm}^\dagger$

P. Van Isacker, Phys. Rev. Lett. 89, 262502 (2002)



### Nuclear level density. Recursive method:

$$\rho_{pure}(E, J, K) = \rho(E, J, K) - \sum_{K'=1}^K \sum_{J_{K'}=J_{min}}^{K, step 2} \sum_{J'=|J-J_{K'}|}^{J+J_{K'}} \rho_{pure}(E, J', K - K')$$

M. Horoi and V. Zelevinsky, Phys. Rev. Lett. 98, 262503 (2007)

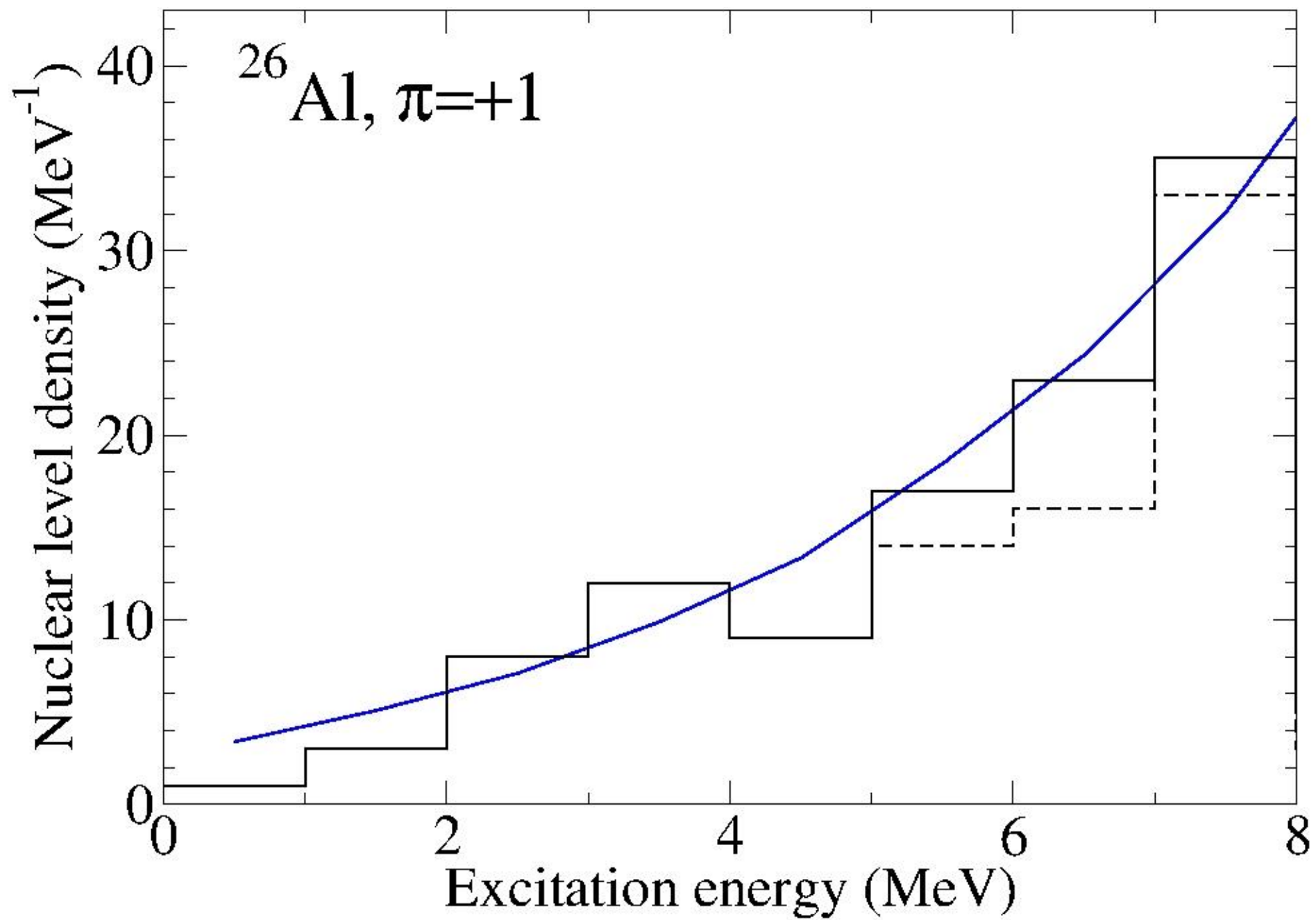


TABLE III: Cumulative Number of Levels (NoL) of  $J = 0$  up to energy 10 MeV for different  $(k_1, k_2)$  combinations for  $^{28}\text{Si}$ ,  $^{24}\text{Mg}$  and  $^{52}\text{Fe}$  found with the moments method. The column NoL corresponds to the calculation of the moments method, while the column Renorm corresponds to the renormalized level density (NoL up to 0.4).

shape	case	nucleus	$R_{4/2}$	NoL	Renorm
deformed	$k_1 = 1.0, k_2 = 0.4$	$^{28}\text{Si}$	3.31	22	60
deformed	$k_1 = 1.0, k_2 = 0.5$	$^{28}\text{Si}$	3.33	17	54
deformed	$k_1 = 1.0, k_2 = 0.6$	$^{28}\text{Si}$	3.21	13	49
spherical	$k_2 = 1.0, k_1 = 0.9$	$^{28}\text{Si}$	2.12	5	34
deformed	$k_1 = 1.0, k_2 = 0.5$	$^{24}\text{Mg}$	3.20	10	24
deformed	$k_1 = 1.0, k_2 = 0.6$	$^{24}\text{Mg}$	3.21	8	21
spherical	$k_2 = 1.0, k_1 = 0.3$	$^{24}\text{Mg}$	2.03	6	18
deformed	$k_1 = 1.0, k_2 = 0.4$	$^{52}\text{Fe}$	3.07	236	6516
spherical	$k_2 = 1.0, k_1 = 0.0$	$^{52}\text{Fe}$	2.25	30	2617

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{k(1)V(1)} + \mathbf{k(2)V(2)}$$

$V(1)$  – matrix elements of  
single-particle transfer

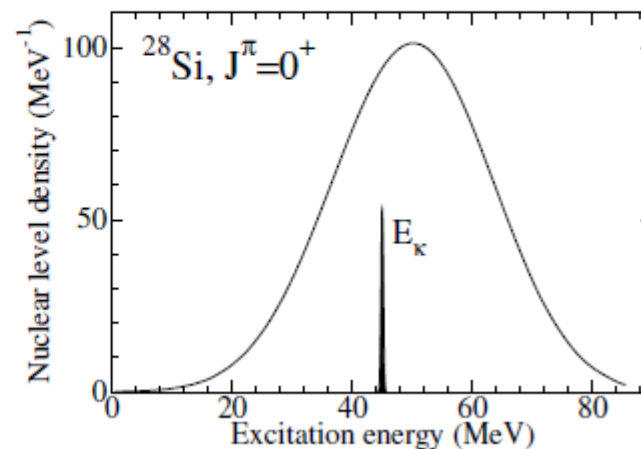
## Statistical approach to Nuclear Level Density (cont.)

$$\rho(E, \beta) = \sum_{\kappa} D_{\beta\kappa} \cdot G(E - E_{\beta\kappa}, \sigma_{\beta\kappa})$$

$G(x, \sigma)$  - Gaussian distribution

$\beta = \{n, J, T_z, \pi\}$  - quantum numbers

$\kappa$  - configurations



$\kappa$	$d_{\frac{5}{2}}$	$s_{\frac{1}{2}}$	$d_{\frac{3}{2}}$
1	6	0	0
2	5	1	0
3	5	0	1
4	4	2	0
...	...	...	...
15	0	2	4

$D_{\beta\kappa}$  - number of many-body states with given  $\beta$  that can be built for a given configuration  $\kappa$

Moments of  $H$  for each configuration  $\kappa$ :

$$E_{\beta\kappa} = \text{Tr}^{(\beta\kappa)}[H] / D_{\beta\kappa}$$

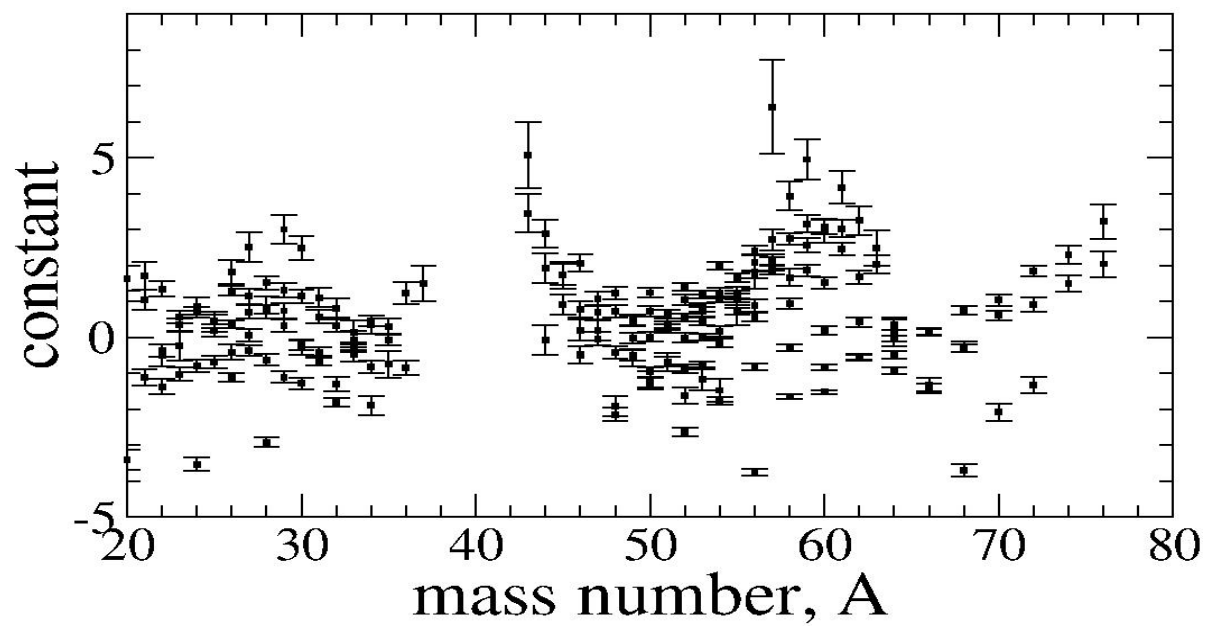
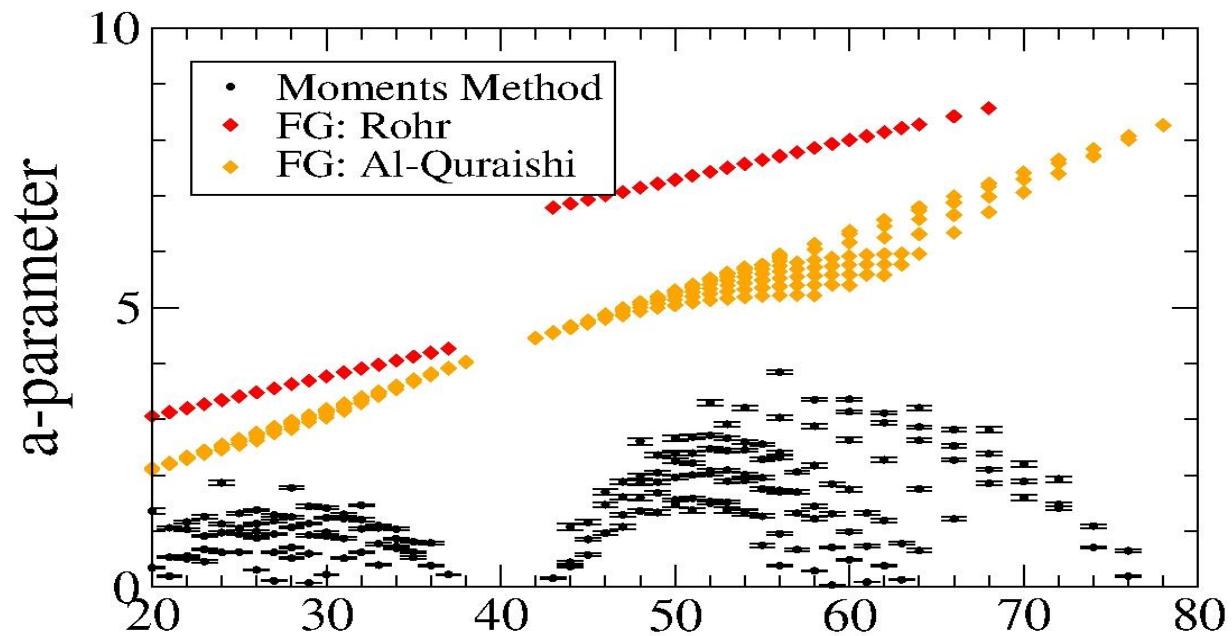
$$\sigma_{\beta\kappa}^2 = \text{Tr}^{(\beta\kappa)}[H^2] / D_{\beta\kappa} - \left( \text{Tr}^{(\beta\kappa)}[H] / D_{\beta\kappa} \right)^2$$

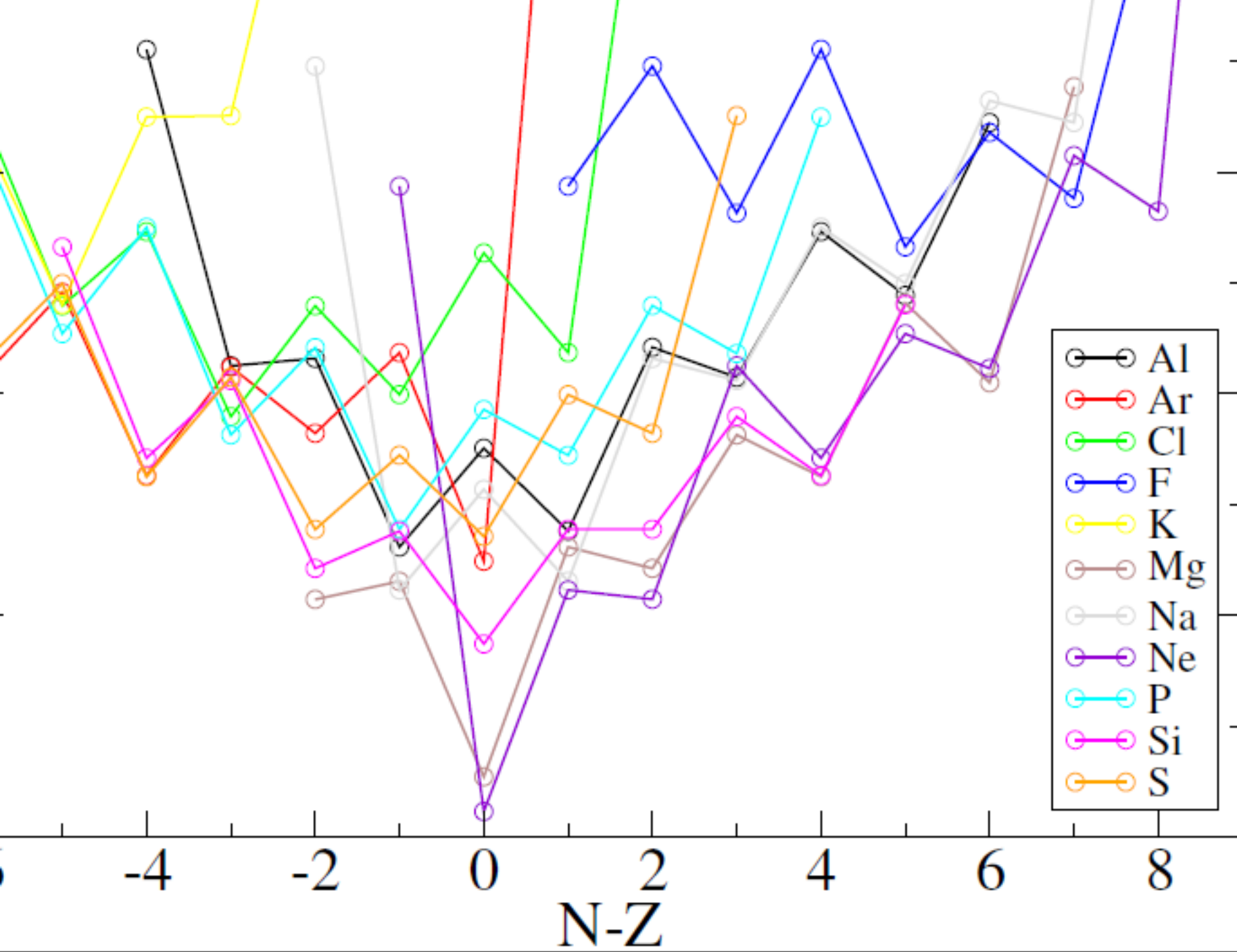
M. Horoi, M. Ghita, and V. Zelevinsky, PRC 69 (2004) 041307(R)

**No diagonalization required**

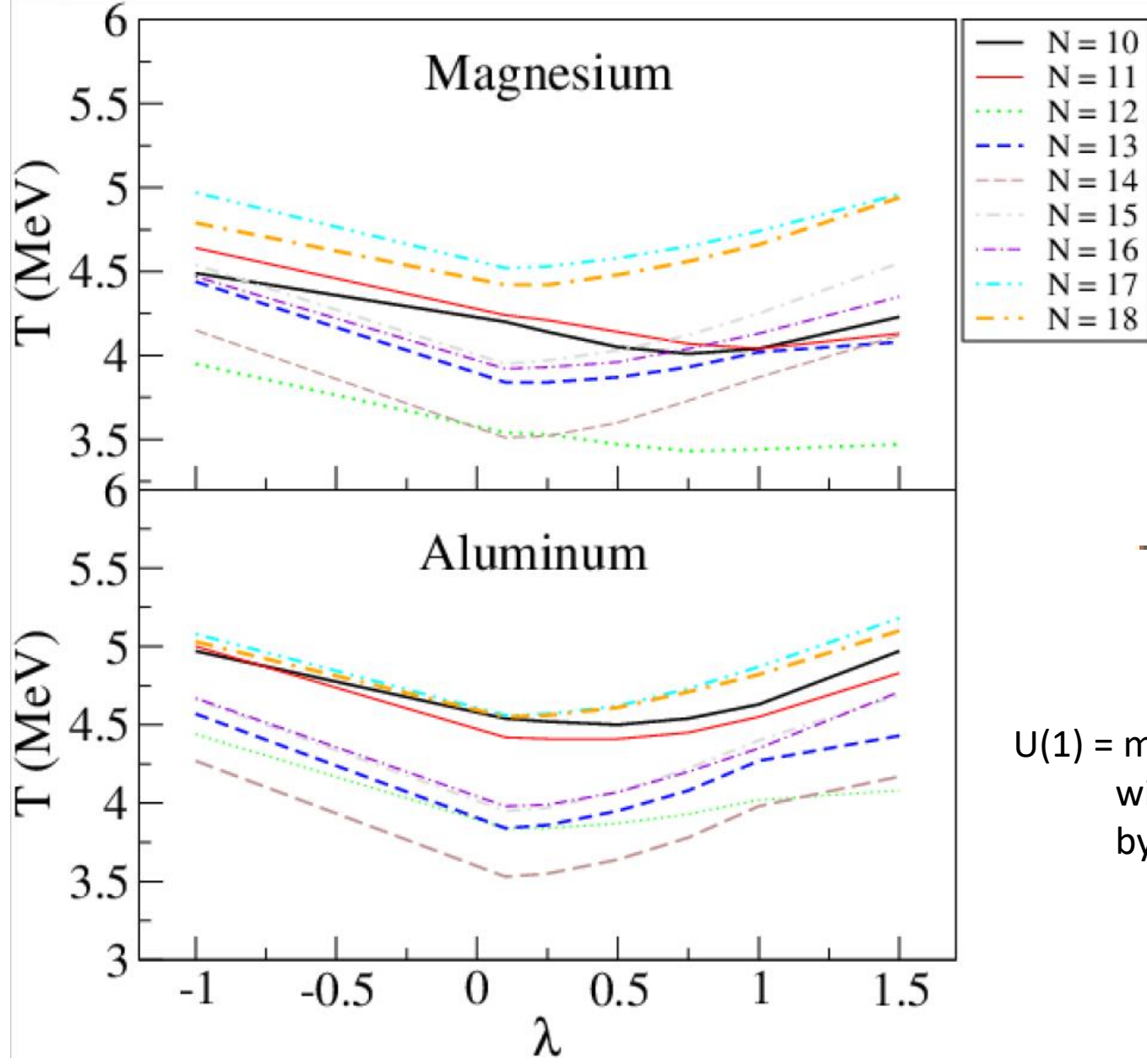
\*\*\*\*  
Neutron resonances

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Low-lying levels





**Effective temperature for the level density at low energy (up to 6 – 8 Mev)**  
**Even-odd staggering**  
**Clear minima in the vicinity of N=Z**



$$H = h + \lambda U_1 + U_2.$$

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