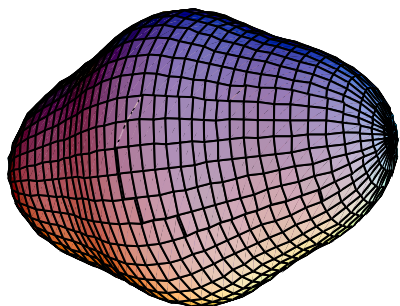


Shape parameterization

$$R(\theta, \phi) = R_0 \cdot \left[1 + \sum_{\lambda=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\mu=-\lambda}^{\lambda} \alpha_{\lambda\mu} \cdot Y_{\lambda\mu}(\theta, \phi) \right]$$

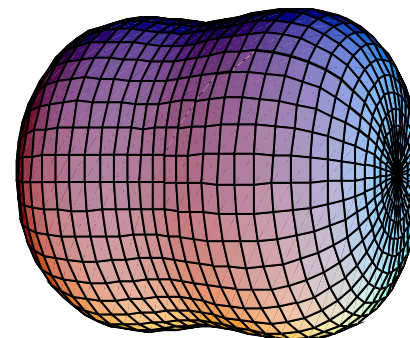
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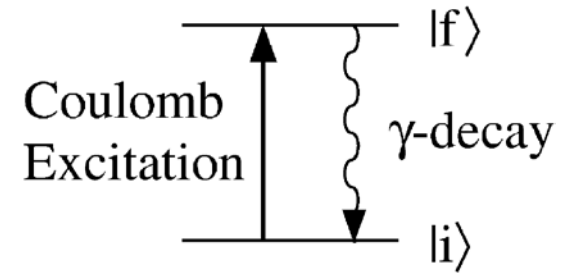
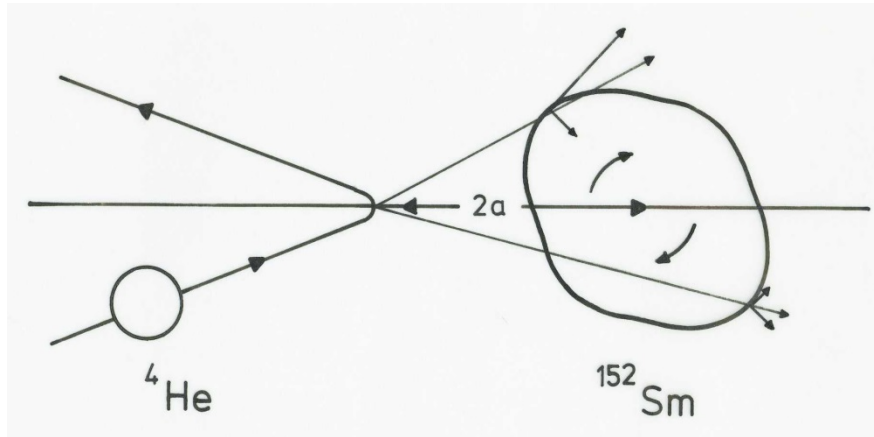
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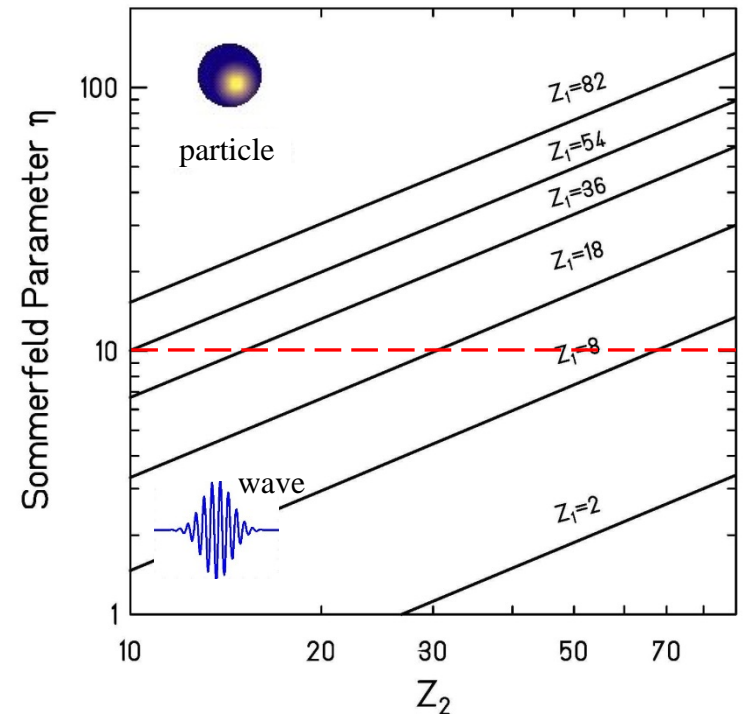


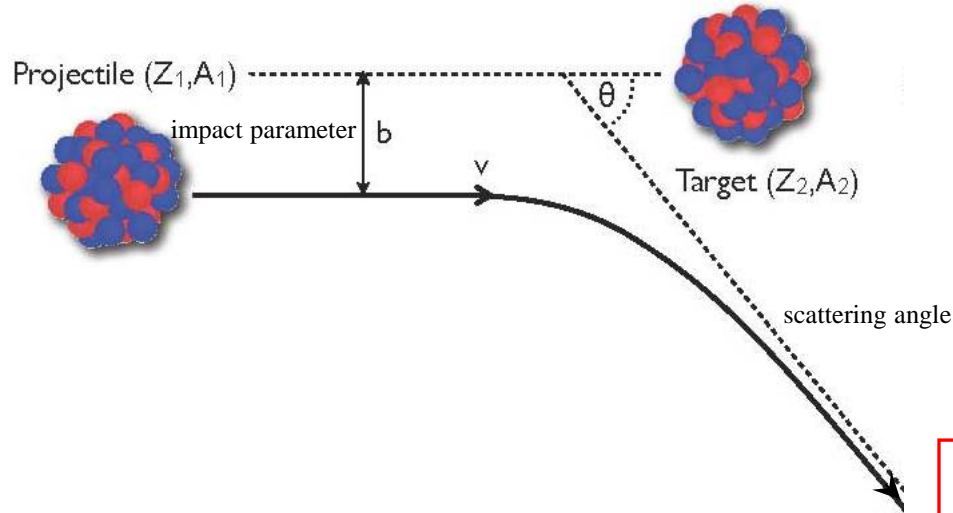
Sommerfeld parameter:

$$\eta = \frac{a}{\lambda} = \frac{Z_P \cdot Z_T \cdot e^2}{\hbar \cdot v_\infty} \gg 1$$

$\eta \gg 1$ requirement for a (semi-) classical treatment of equations of motion (**hyperbolic trajectories**)

${}^4\text{He}$ ($Z_1=2$) projectiles behave like waves
quantummechanical analysis is needed





Hyperbolic trajectory:

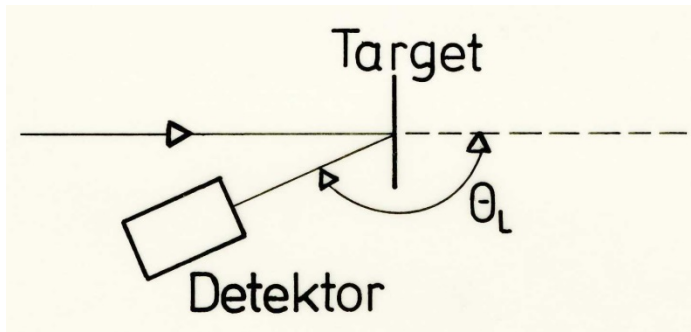
$$r = a \cdot [\varepsilon \cdot \cosh w + 1] \quad t = \frac{a}{v_\infty} \cdot [\varepsilon \cdot \sinh w + w]$$

$$\varepsilon = \sin^{-1}(\theta_{\text{cm}}/2) \quad \text{eccentricity of orbit}$$

➤ distance of closest approach: $D(\theta_{\text{cm}}) = \frac{a}{\gamma} \cdot \left[1 + \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{\theta_{\text{cm}}}{2} \right) \right]$

➤ impact parameter: $b = \frac{a}{\gamma} \cdot \cot \left(\frac{\theta_{\text{cm}}}{2} \right)$

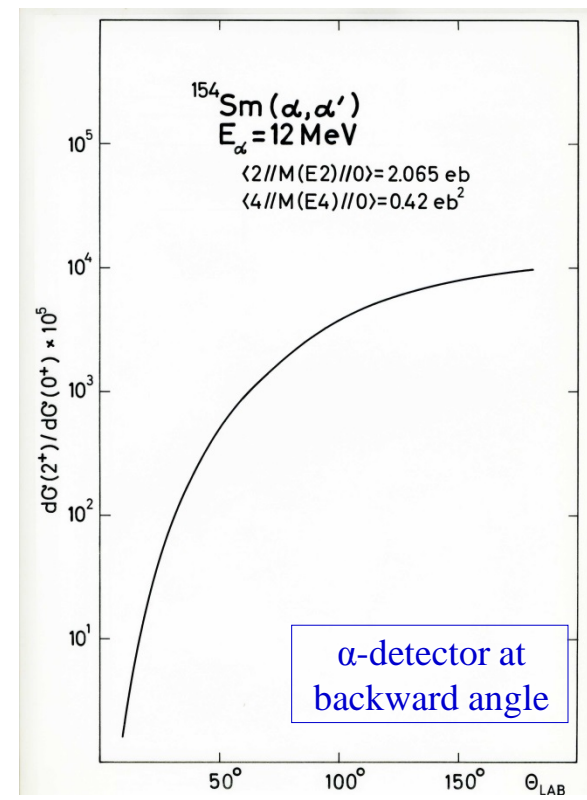
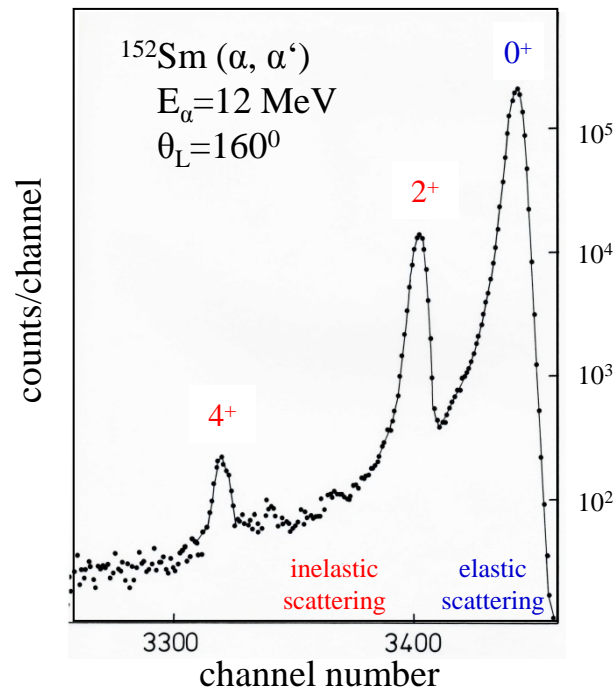
➤ angular momentum : $\ell = \eta \cdot \cot \left(\frac{\theta_{\text{cm}}}{2} \right)$



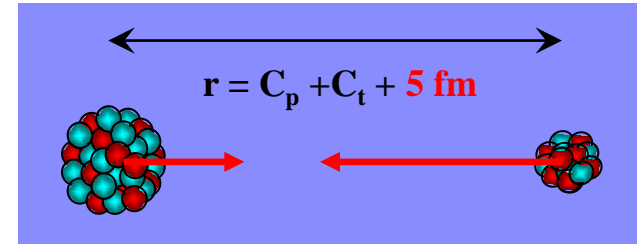
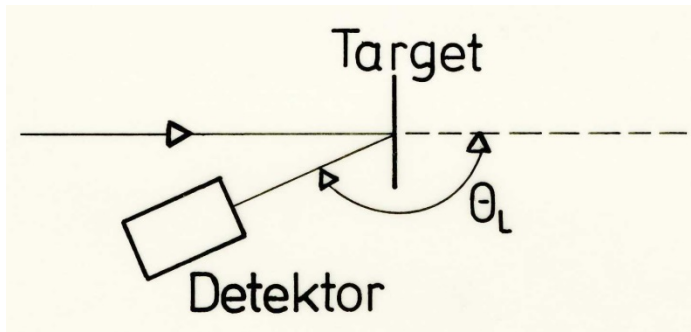
$$\frac{d\sigma_{i \rightarrow f}}{d\Omega_{cm}} = P_{i \rightarrow f} \cdot \frac{d\sigma_{Ruth}}{d\Omega_{cm}}$$

excitation probability $P_{i \rightarrow f}$

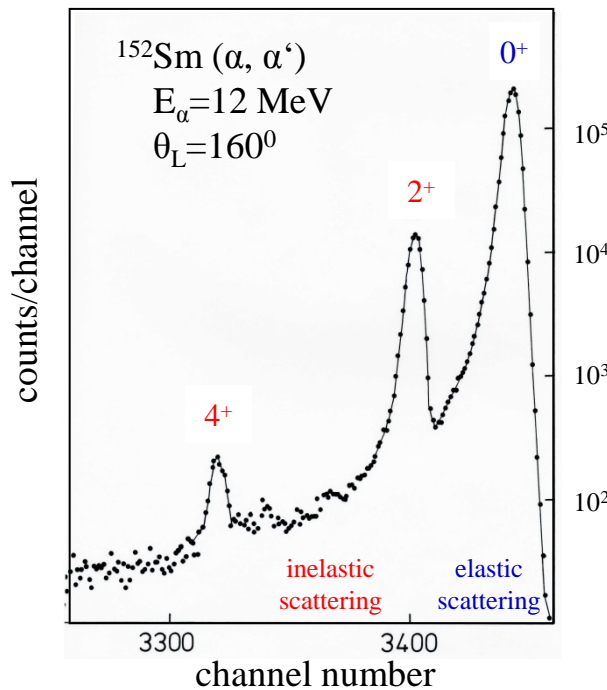
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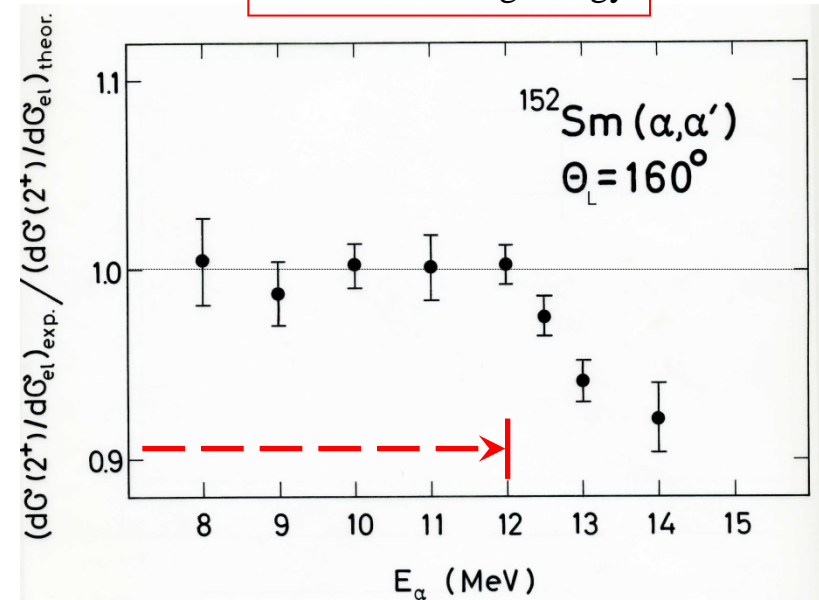
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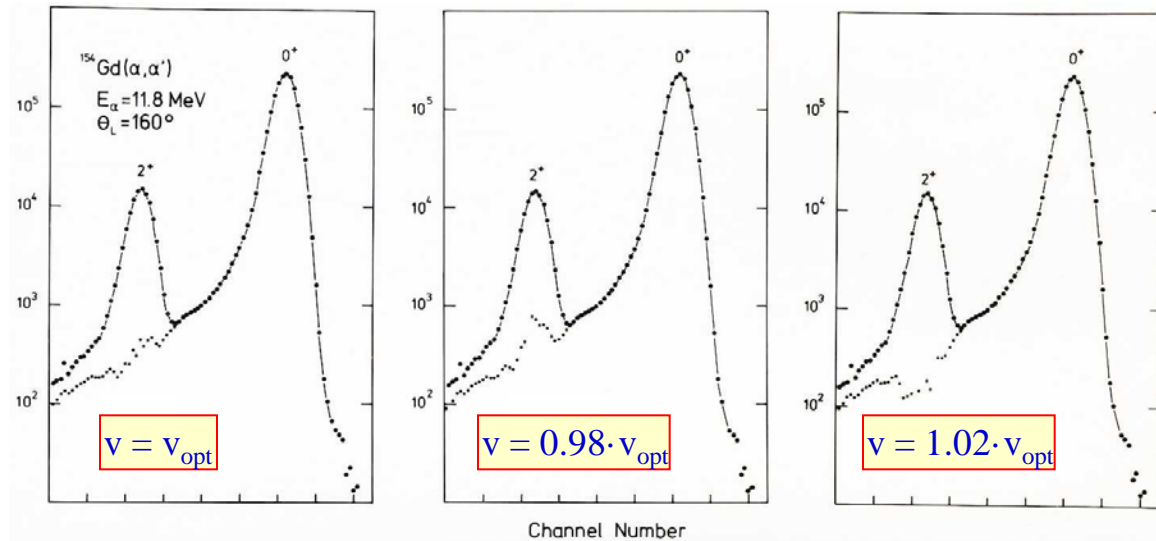


safe bombarding energy



$$E_{lab} = \frac{0.72 \cdot Z_p \cdot Z_t}{C_p + C_t + \Delta} \cdot \frac{A_p + A_t}{A_t} \cdot \left[\sin^{-1} \left(\frac{\theta_{cm}}{2} \right) + 1 \right]$$

Experimental excitation energy



$$r(x) = f(x) + \nu \cdot f(x+d)$$

$r(x) \equiv$ measured spectrum

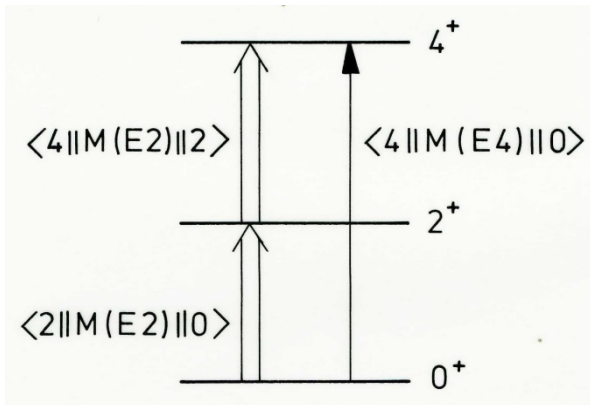
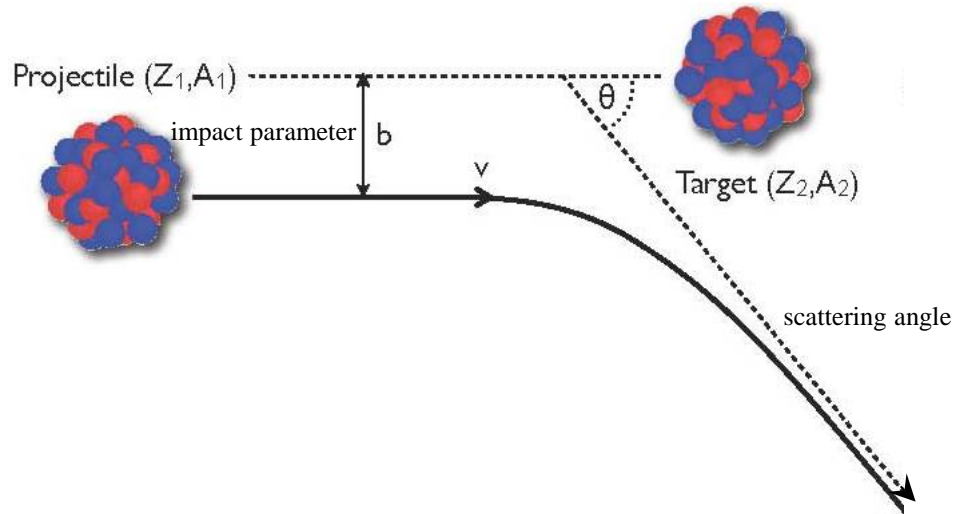
$$f(x) = r(x) - \nu \cdot f(x+d)$$

$f(x) \equiv$ lineshape of elastic scattering

$$\nu = \frac{d\sigma_{0 \rightarrow 2}}{d\sigma_{el}} \cong \frac{d\sigma_{0 \rightarrow 2}}{d\sigma_{Ruth}} = P_{2^+}$$

$$d\sigma_{E2} \cong 4.819 \cdot \left(1 + \frac{A_1}{A_2}\right)^{-2} \cdot \frac{A_1}{Z_2^2} \cdot E_{MeV} \cdot B(E2; I_i \rightarrow I_f) \cdot df_{E2}(\eta, \xi) [b]$$

Double-step E2 vs E4 excitation of 4⁺ state



reduced transition matrix elements:

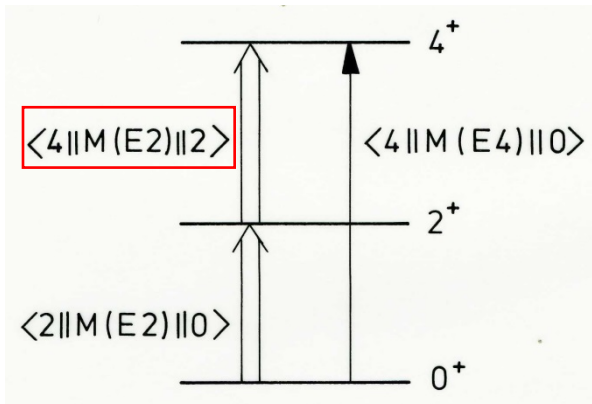
$$\langle I || M(E\lambda) || 0 \rangle = \sqrt{\frac{16\pi}{2\lambda+1}} \cdot Q_\lambda \cdot e$$

multipole moments Q_λ (**liquid drop**):

$$Q_2 = \frac{3 \cdot Z \cdot R_0^2}{\sqrt{5 \cdot \pi}} \cdot (\beta_2 + 0.360\beta_2^2 + 0.336\beta_3^2 + 0.328\beta_4^2 + 0.967\beta_2\beta_4) [fm^2]$$

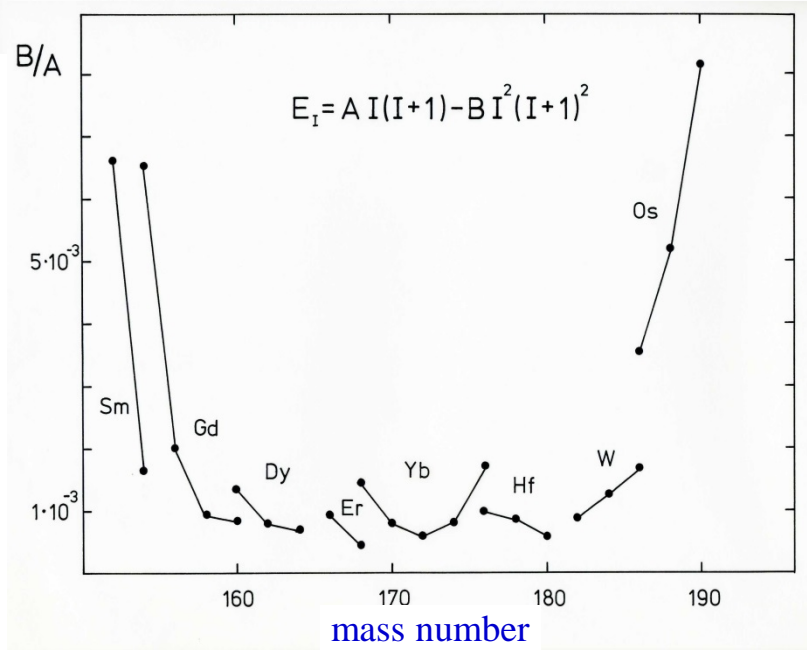
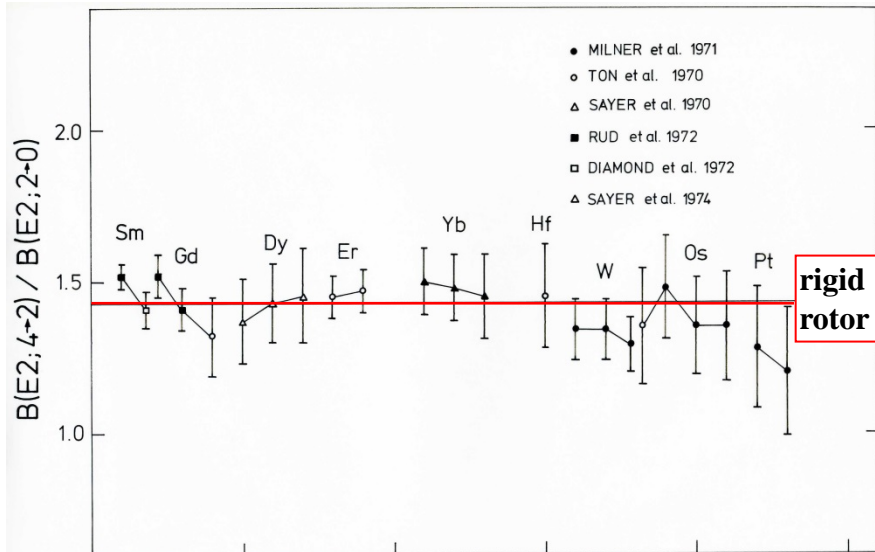
$$Q_4 = \frac{Z \cdot R_0^4}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot (\beta_4 + 0.725\beta_2^2 + 0.462\beta_3^2 + 0.411\beta_4^2 + 0.983\beta_2\beta_4) [fm^4]$$

Double-step E2 excitation and rigid rotor model

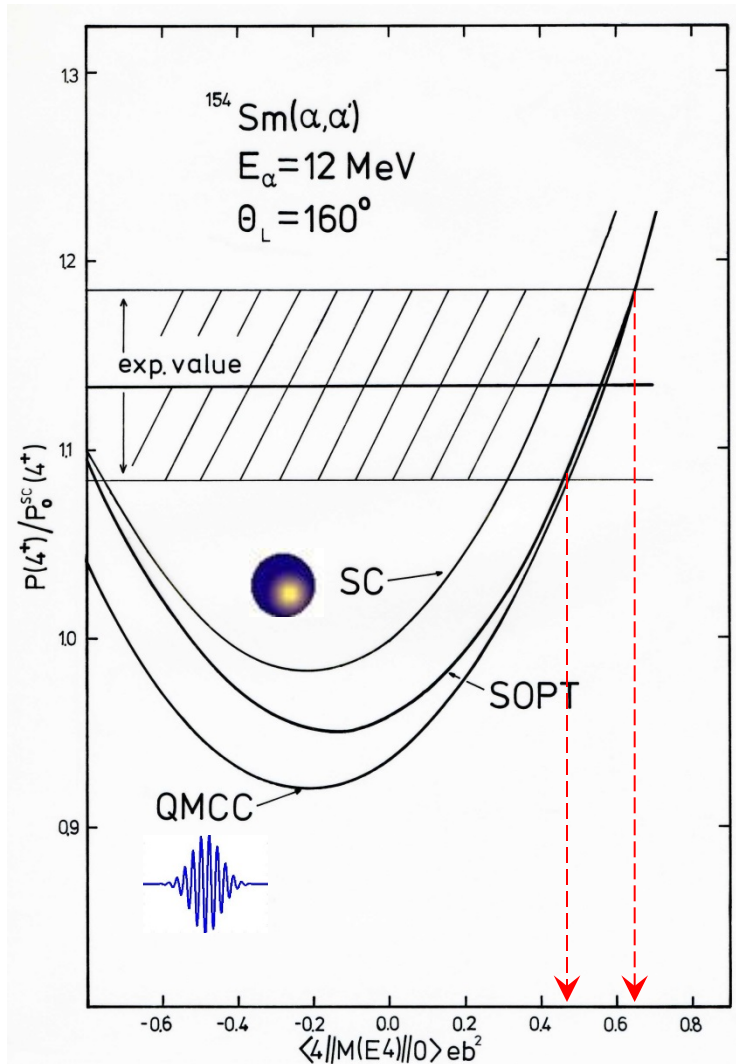


rigid rotor model:

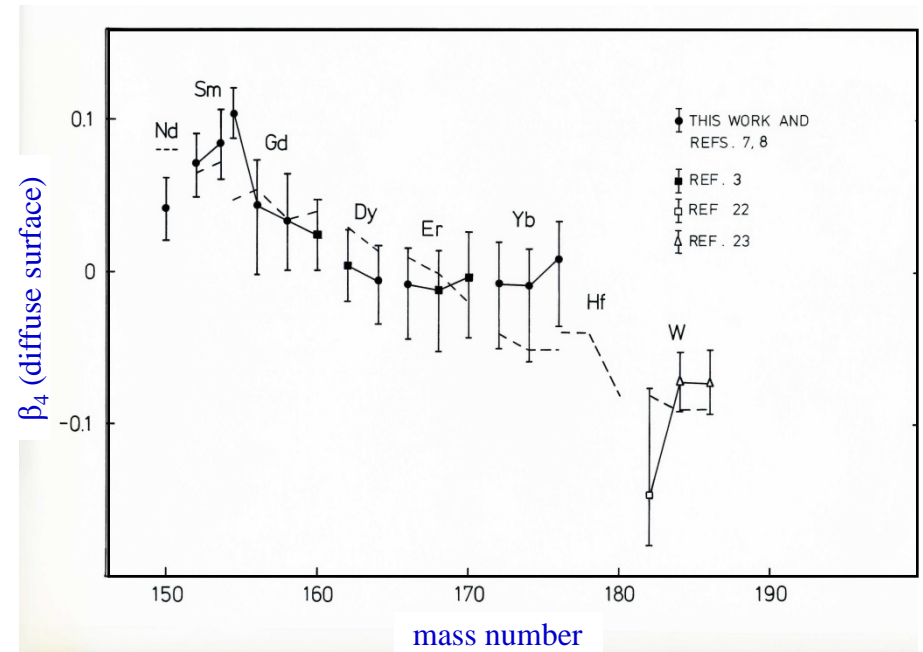
$$\langle I-2 || M(E2) || I \rangle = \sqrt{\frac{3 \cdot I \cdot (I-1)}{2 \cdot (2I-1)}} \cdot \frac{3ZeR_0^2 \beta_2}{4\pi}$$



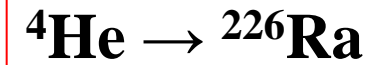
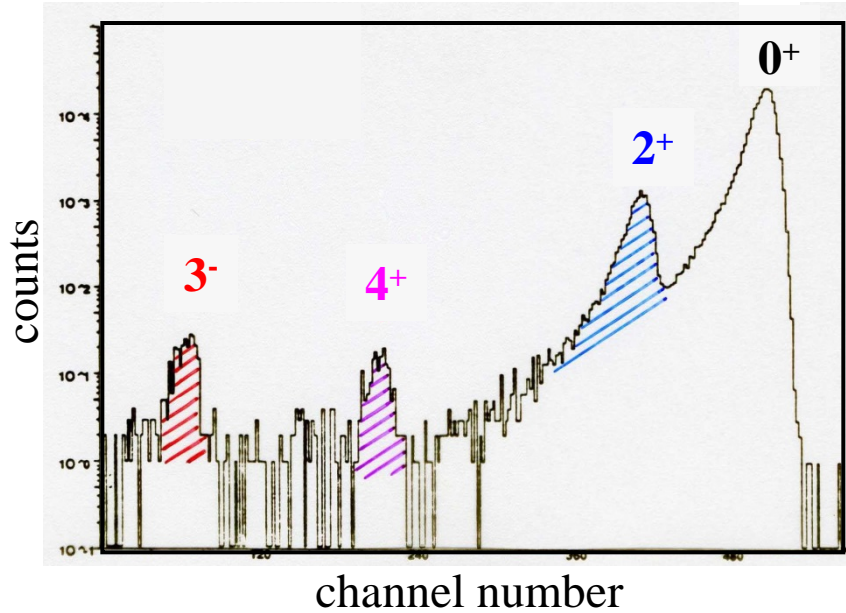
Coulomb excitation analysis



$$\langle 4 || M(E4) || 0 \rangle = \frac{3 \cdot Z \cdot e \cdot R_0^4}{4 \cdot \pi} \cdot (\beta_4 + 0.725\beta_2^2 + 0.411\beta_4^2 + 0.983\beta_2\beta_4)$$

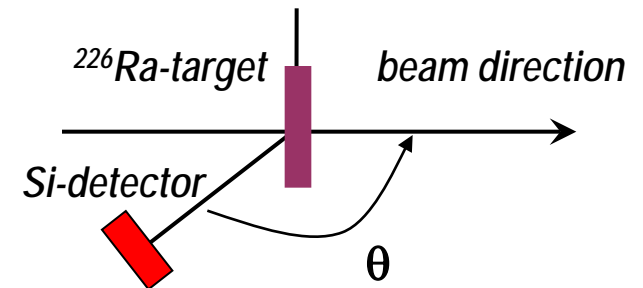


Scattered α -spectrum of ^{226}Ra



$$E_\alpha = 16 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\theta_{\text{lab}} = 145^\circ$$



$$P_{i \rightarrow f} = \frac{d\sigma_{i \rightarrow f}}{d\sigma_{el}} \cong \frac{d\sigma_{i \rightarrow f}}{d\sigma_{Ruth}}$$

λ	$\langle \lambda M(E\lambda) 0 \rangle [eb^{\lambda/2}]$	β_λ (exp)	β_λ (theo)
2	2.27 (3)	0.165 (2)	0.164
3	1.05 (5)	0.104 (5)	0.112
4	1.04 (7)	0.123 (8)	0.096