# Nuclear Collectivity in the Shell Model Monte Carlo Approach

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Total and symmetry-projected state densities



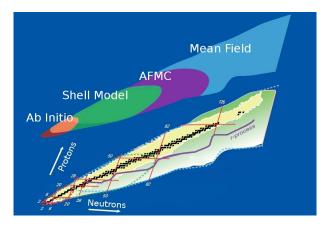
## Nuclear many-body problem

Extending SMMC (AFMC) to heavy nuclei

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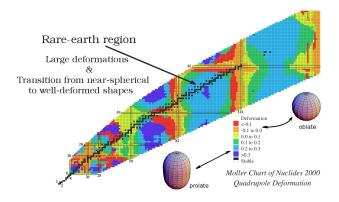


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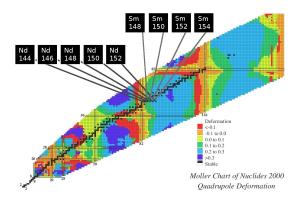
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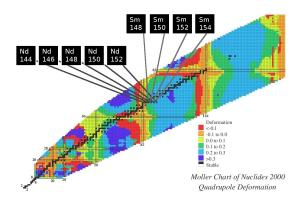






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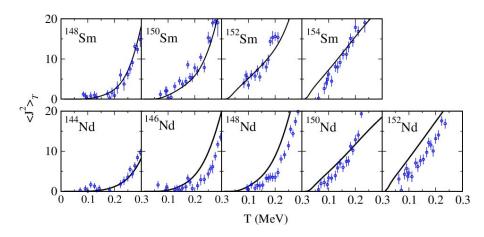
**Challenge**: Demonstrate the crossover in a suitably chosen model space Can we identify a thermal observable to distinguish types of collectivity?







 $\langle {f J}^2 
angle_T$  as a signature of the crossover



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experimental measure for  $\langle \mathbf{J}^2 \rangle_T$ 

In the absence of neutron resonance data, we use level counting data only:

$$Z(T) = \sum_{i}^{N} e^{-E_i/T} (2J_i + 1)$$

$$\langle \mathbf{J}^2 \rangle_T = \frac{1}{Z(T)} \sum_i^N J_i (J_i + 1) (2J_i + 1) e^{-E_i/T}$$





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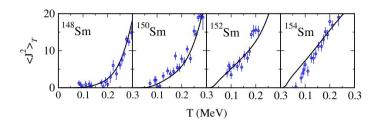
If neutron resonance data is available, we use level counting + neutron resonance data:

$$Z(T) = \sum_{i}^{N} e^{-E_{i}/T} (2J_{i} + 1) + \int_{E_{N}}^{\infty} dE_{x} \rho_{BBF}(E_{x}) e^{-E_{x}/T}$$

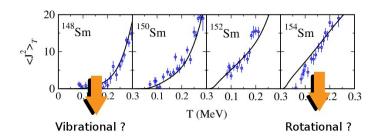
$$\langle \mathbf{J}^2 \rangle_T = \frac{1}{Z(T)} \left( \sum_i^N J_i (J_i + 1) (2J_i + 1) e^{-E_i/T} + \int_{E_N}^{\infty} dE_x \, \rho_{BBF}(E_x) \, \langle \mathbf{J}^2 \rangle_{E_x} \, e^{-E_x/T} \right)$$





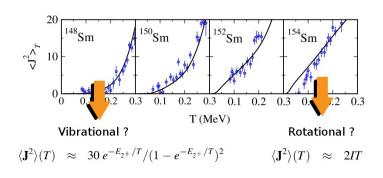




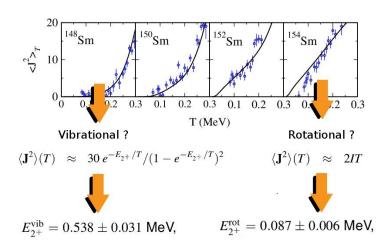




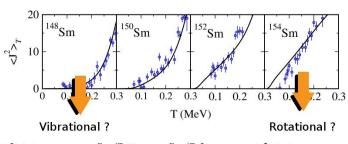












$$\langle {f J}^2 
angle (T) ~pprox ~30~ e^{-E_{2^+}/T}/(1-e^{-E_{2^+}/T})^2$$





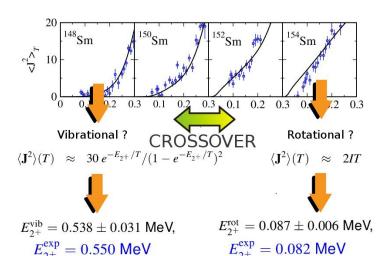


$$E_{2^+}^{
m vib} = 0.538 \pm 0.031 \ {
m MeV}, \ E_{2^+}^{
m exp} = 0.550 \ {
m MeV}$$

$$E_{2+}^{
m rot} = 0.087 \pm 0.006$$
 MeV,  $E_{2+}^{
m ar{e}xp} = 0.082$  MeV



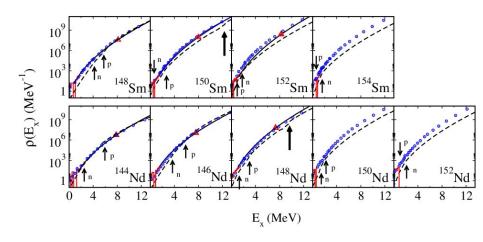






#### **Total State Densities**

even-even nuclei



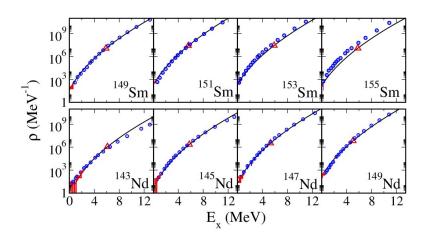
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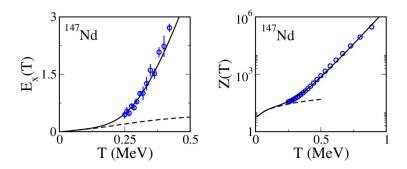
odd-even nuclei



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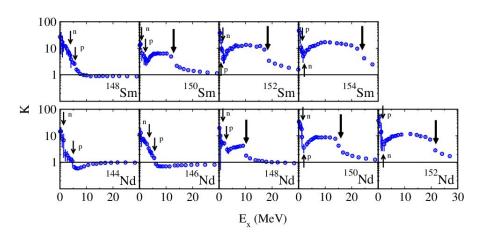


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#### Collective Enhancement Factors

energy dependence



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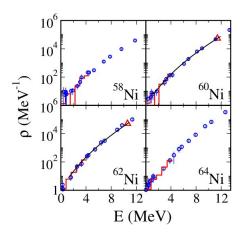
# SMMC Applications in Ni Region Preliminary Results





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preliminary results



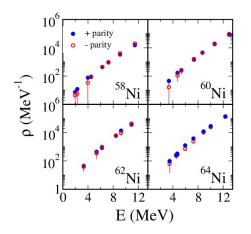
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## Parity-projected State Densities

preliminary results

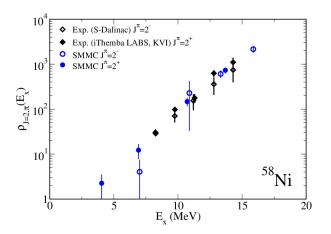


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## Parity-projected State Densities: J=2 Channel preliminary results



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#### Conclusions

- Using systematically produced Hamiltonians, we reproduce the crossover from vibrational to rotational collectivity in families of even-even Nd and Sm isotopes.
- We propose a practical approach to extract the ground state energy of odd-odd and odd-even nuclei.
- We calculate the total state densities and found them to be in excellent agreement with those extracted from experimental data.
- We extract the collective enhancement factors from the ratio of the SMMC to HFB state densities. Damping of these factors seem to be associated with the pairing and shape transitions occuring in these nuclei.
- Total and spin/parity-projected state densities of Ni isotopes are calculated. Early results indicate very good agreement with the experiment.



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