Favoured high-spin states in  $N \approx Z$  nuclei close to  $^{100}$ Sn

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#### Outline

- Special features of  $I = 21^+$  state in  ${}^{94}$ Ag.
- Microscopic energies at high spin examples, typical values.
- Microscopic energies for fully aligned states with holes in Z = N = 50 core.
- Favoured shell energies for specific combinations of quadrupole deformation  $\varepsilon_2$  and rotational frequency  $\omega$ .
- Summary

# $I = 21^+$ state in ${}^{94}\text{Ag}$

- Long half-life of 0.39 s
- Decays by 'β-delayed γ or proton emission', 'direct 1-p' or 'direct 2-p' emission.
- Unexpected large 2p decay probability has been taken as evidence that this I = 21<sup>+</sup> state is strongly deformed (I. Mukha *et al.* Nature 439, 298 (2006))

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CNS calculations:  $\varepsilon \approx 0.06, \gamma = -120^{\circ}$ Absolute energy ?  $\approx 15$  MeV excitation energy at  $\varepsilon \approx 0.6$ .



In the macroscopic-microscopic model, the nuclear mass is calculated as

$$E_{\text{tot}}(Z, N) = \min_{\varepsilon_i} \left[ E_{\text{ld}}(Z, N, \varepsilon_i) + E_{\text{shell}}(Z, N, \varepsilon_i) + \delta E_{\text{pair}}(Z, N, \varepsilon_i) \right]$$

An analogous formula at high spin, where pairing can be neglected, reads (G.B. Carlsson and IR, PRC, rapid comm. 2006)

$$E_{\text{tot}}(Z, N, I) = \min_{\varepsilon_i} \left[ E_{\text{rld}}(Z, N, I, \varepsilon_i) + E_{\text{shell}}(Z, N, I, \varepsilon_i) \right],$$

The rotating liquid drop energy can be written:

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## FRDM model



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Total energy:

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 $E_{shell}$  from modified oscillator (CSN) - A = 110 parameters.  $E_{ld}$ : Lublin-Strasbourg drop (LSD model) (with average  $E_{pair}$  removed, cf. poster by Nerlo-Pomorska *et al*)

 $\mathcal{J}_{rig.}$ : diffuse surface:  $r_0 = 1.16$  fm, a = 0.6 fm (from fit of experimental  $\langle r^2 \rangle$ -values)

### Microscopic energies-general

Microscopic energy for high spin states. Min. value:  $\sim -2$  MeV Typical error:  $\pm 1$  MeV Expected accuracy for I = 21 state in <sup>94</sup>Ag:  $\pm 2$  MeV



## Microscopic energies - <sup>74</sup>Kr

<sup>74</sup>Kr: 3 bands observed to  $I_{max}$ but do not terminate Large collectivity for  $I = I_{max}$ . J.J. Valiente-Dubón *et al.* PRL 95, 232501 (2005)

Generally good agreement for absolute energies but: Calculated energies too high for all bands close to  $I = I_{max}$ 



### Microscopic energies - Kr isotopes





High-spin bands in  $^{72-74}{\rm Kr}$  well described (cf. talks by Afanasiev and Satula) Absolute energies within  $\sim\pm0.7$  MeV. Note the similarities between  $^{73}{\rm Kr}$  and  $^{74}{\rm Kr}$ .

# Microscopic energies - <sup>58</sup>Ni

Large-deformation bands in <sup>58</sup>Ni.

 $(f_{7/2})^{-3}(h_{9/2})^2$  $(f_{7/2})^{-5}(h_{9/2})^3$ 

# Well described in CNS - band crossing

D. Rudolph et al. PRL 96, 092501 (2006)

Error constant as function of *I*.



# Typical errors in calc. $E_{tot}$



Typical error:  $\pm 1 \text{ MeV}$  Maximal error:  $\pm 2 \text{ MeV}$ 

<sup>100</sup>Sn; ground state:

 $E_{micr} \approx -12 \text{ MeV}$ 

<sup>96</sup>Cd;  $\pi(g_{9/2})^{-2} \nu(g_{9/2})^{-2}$  $I_{max} = 16\hbar; E_{micr} \approx -8 \text{ MeV}$ 

<sup>94</sup>Ag; 
$$\pi(g_{9/2})^{-3} \nu(g_{9/2})^{-3}$$
  
 $I_{max} = 21\hbar; E_{micr} \approx -7 \text{ MeV}$ 

<sup>92</sup>Pd; 
$$\pi(g_{9/2})^{-4} \nu(g_{9/2})^{-4}$$
  
 $I_{max} = 24\hbar; E_{micr} \approx -6 \text{ MeV}$ 



#### Rotation around symmetry axis

One half of orbitals in a *j*-shell can be approx. degenerate for specific ratio,  $\omega/\varepsilon$ .

Regions of high level density (cf. talk by J. Dudek)

and thus regions of low level density in between.

Very strong shell effects (I.R., PLB 80B, 4 (1978))



#### Strong shell effects for p-h excitations



Note the ridges of high shell energy and the valleys of low favoured shell energies in between For example I = 12 for N = 46.



### Strong shell effects for p-h excitations

# Combination of favoured particle numbers:

| Z  | N  | Ι    | $E_{micr}$ |      |
|----|----|------|------------|------|
|    |    |      | Exp        | Calc |
| 47 | 47 | 21   | -5.6       | -7.5 |
| 47 | 48 | 18.5 | -7.2       | -7.8 |
| 46 | 48 | 20   | -5.8       | -6.8 |
| 46 | 46 | 24   |            | -6.4 |
| 45 | 45 | 25   |            | -4.8 |
|    |    | 29   |            | -4.6 |

Exp. values uncertain  $\sim \pm 1~{\rm MeV}$ 



I = 21 state in <sup>94</sup>Ag:

- Very favoured energy Z = N = 47 magic for I = 10.5.
- Small prolate deformation axis ratio  $\sim$  1.06 : 1.

Region of nuclei with N = Z = 45 - 50 ( $N \approx Z$ ):

- Large number of favoured energy fully aligned states interesting to study.
- Important to measure masses (and thus binding energies of high-spin states) to the N = Z line (or even beyond).

