

The Interacting Boson Model

A quick introduction - TALENT course no. 5 (2017)

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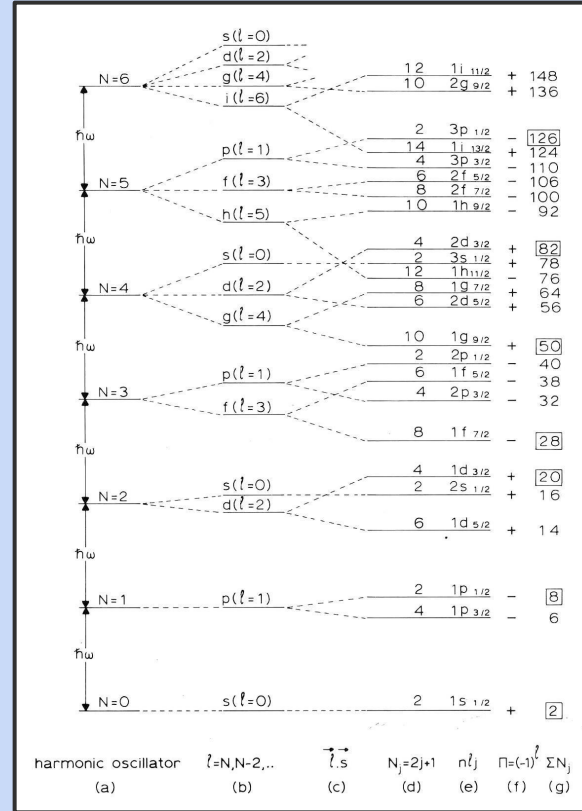
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Motivation



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Boson operators and observables



$$s^\dagger (L^p = 0^+), d^\dagger_\mu (\mu = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2; L^p = 2^+); \quad b^\dagger_\alpha \in \{s^\dagger, d^\dagger\}$$

$$b^\dagger_1 = s^\dagger, \quad b^\dagger_2 = d^\dagger_2, \quad b^\dagger_3 = d^\dagger_1, \quad b^\dagger_4 = d^\dagger_0, \quad b^\dagger_5 = d^\dagger_{-1}, \quad b^\dagger_6 = d^\dagger_{-2}$$

$$G_{\alpha\beta} = b^\dagger_\alpha b_\beta$$

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Boson operators and observables



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$$\text{Hamiltonian: } H = \sum_{\alpha\beta} \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta} G_{\alpha\beta} + \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} V_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} G_{\alpha\beta} G_{\gamma\delta} + \dots \quad (G_{\alpha\beta} = b^\dagger_\alpha b_\beta)$$

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Higher-order terms

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Boson operators and observables



- $E2$ transitions: $T^{(E2)} = e_B[(d^\dagger s + s^\dagger \tilde{d})^{(2)} + \chi (d^\dagger \tilde{d})^{(2)}]$

$$B(E2; L_i \rightarrow L_f) = \frac{1}{2L_i + 1} \left| \langle L_f || T^{(E2)} || L_i \rangle \right|^2$$

- $M1$ transitions: $T^{(M1)} = c (d^\dagger \tilde{d})^{(1)}$ - see Tobi's talk!

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Lie algebras and dynamic symmetries



- $[s, s^\dagger] = 1; \quad [d_\mu, d_\mu^\dagger] = \delta_{\mu', \mu}$

- $G_{\alpha\beta} = b_\alpha^\dagger b_\beta$ - generators of U(6) algebra.

- $\mathcal{N} \underbrace{b_\alpha^\dagger b_\beta^\dagger \dots}_{N \text{ times}} |0\rangle \equiv |N\rangle; \quad b_\beta |0\rangle = 0$

N times

Totally symmetric irreducible representation of U(6)

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Lie algebras and dynamic symmetries



- Example - $^{110}_{48}\text{Cd}_{62}$:

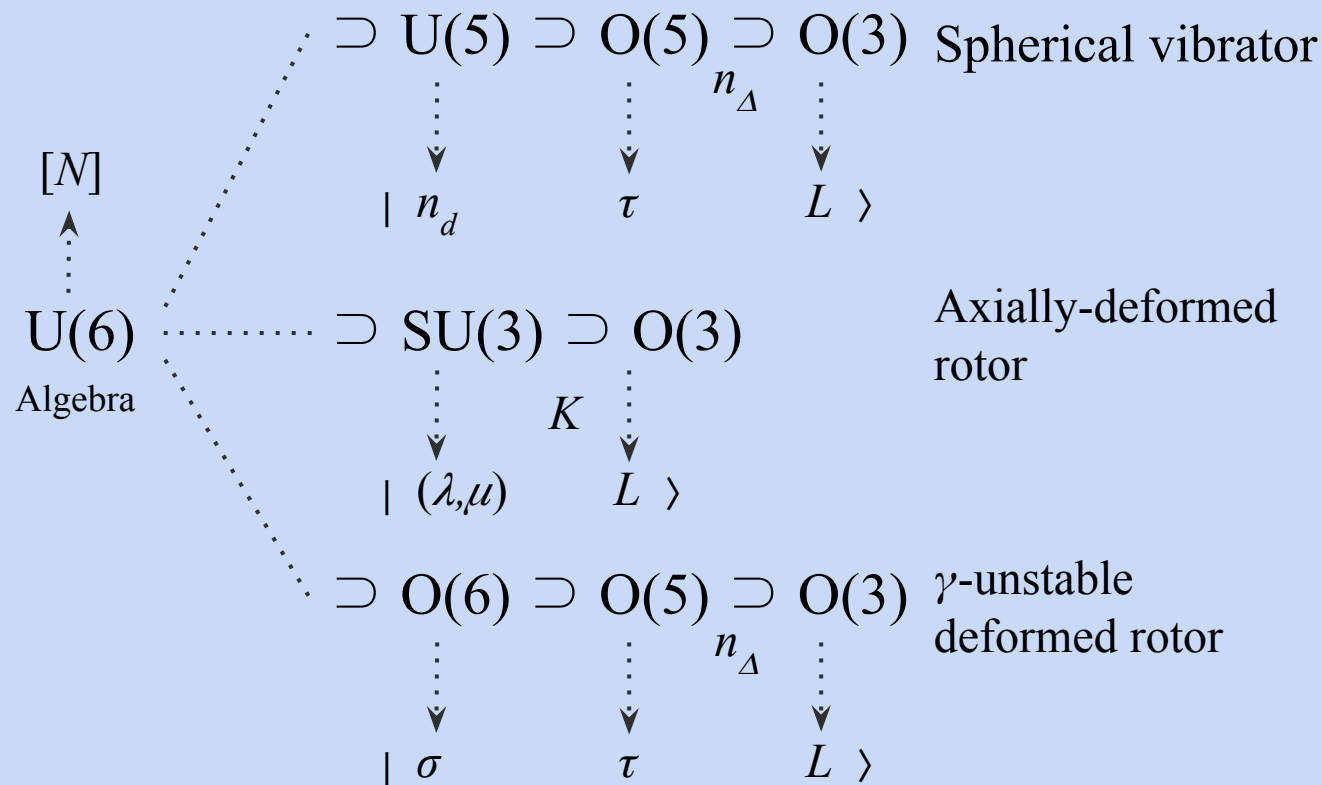
$$Z = 48, N = 62$$

$$N_{\pi} = 50 - 48 = 2 ; N_{\nu} = 62 - 50$$

$$N = N_{\pi}/2 + N_{\nu}/2 = 7 \text{ bosons!}$$

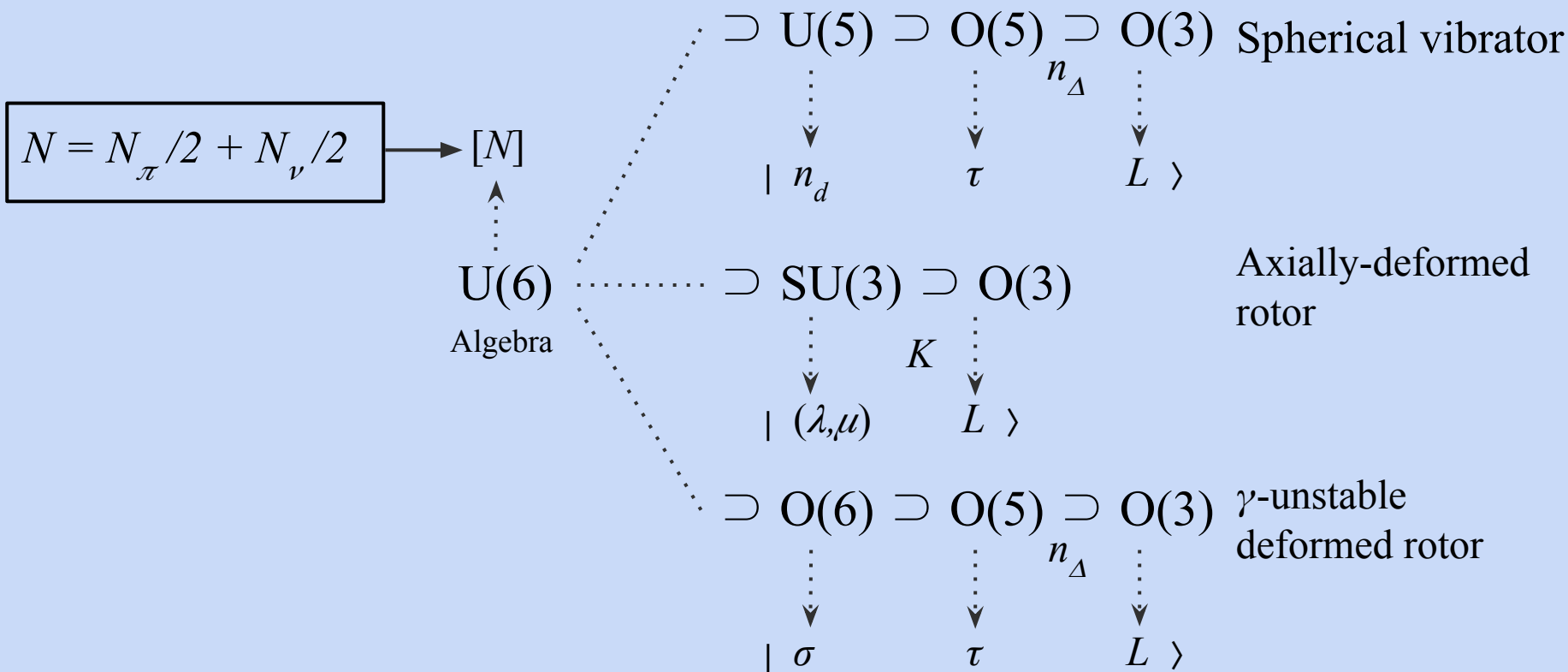
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U(6) spectrum generating algebra



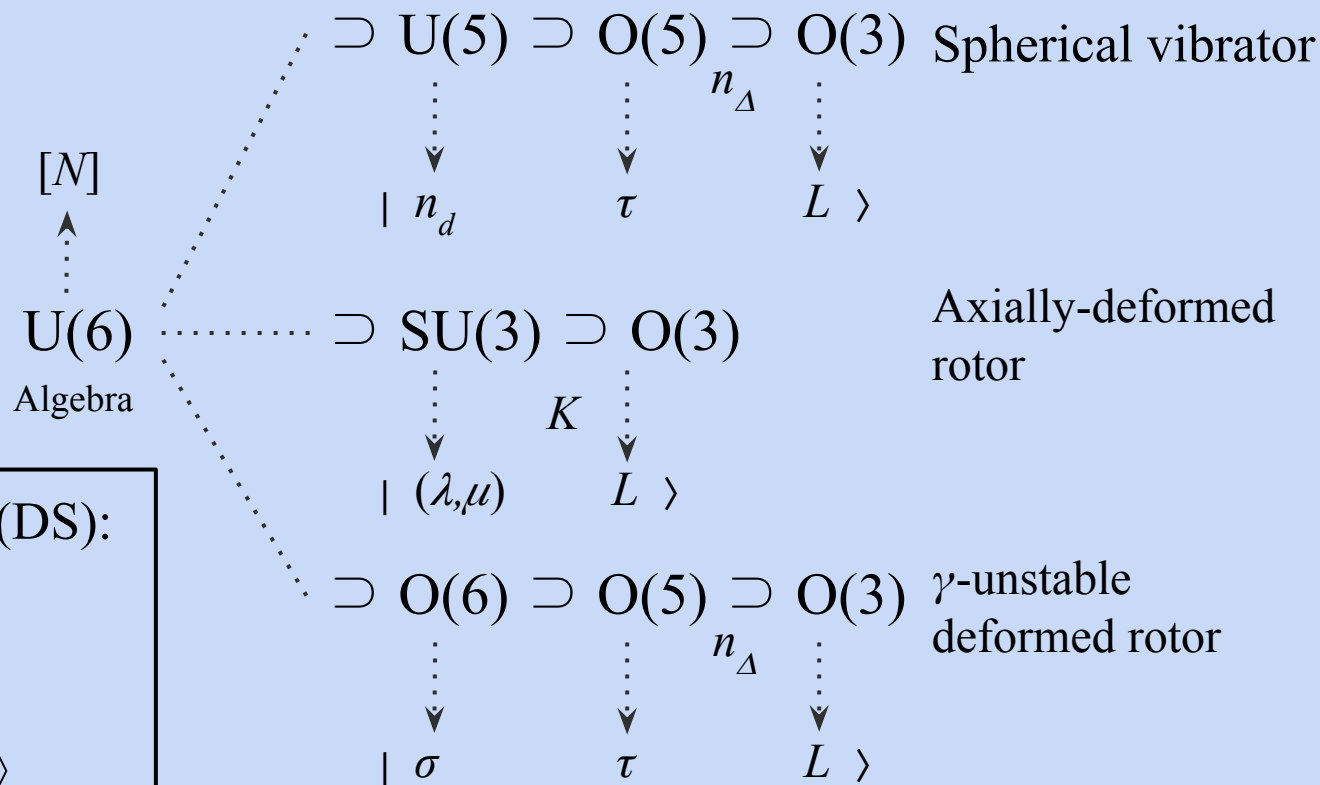
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U(6) spectrum generating algebra



Dynamical symmetry (DS):

$$H = \sum_k a_k C(G_k)$$

$$G_0 \supset G_1 \supset \dots \supset G_n$$

$$|\alpha_0 \quad \alpha_1 \quad \dots \quad \alpha_n\rangle$$

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Casimir operators



- Casimir operator: $[C_p, G_{\alpha\beta}] = 0$.
- Example: $C_p [\text{SO}(3)] = L^2$; $[L^2, L_x] = [L^2, L_y] = [L^2, L_z] = 0$

In the IBM: $L_\mu = (d^\dagger \tilde{d})^{(1)}_\mu$

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The IBM Hamiltonian



$$H = e_0 + e_1 C_1[\text{U}(6)] + e_2 C_2[\text{U}(6)] + \varepsilon C_1[\text{U}(5)] + \alpha C_2[\text{U}(5)] \\ + \beta C_2[\text{O}(5)] + \gamma C_2[\text{O}(3)] + \delta C_2[\text{SU}(3)] + \eta C_2[\text{O}(6)]$$

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Spherical vibrator and γ -unstable deformed rotor

Spherical vibrator - U(5)

$$n_d = 3 \quad \frac{0^+}{\tau=3} \quad \frac{2^+}{\tau=1} \quad \frac{3^+}{\tau=3} \quad \frac{4^+}{\tau=3} \quad \frac{6^+}{\tau=3}$$

$$n_d = 2 \quad \frac{0^+}{\tau=0} \quad \frac{2^+}{\tau=2} \quad \frac{4^+}{\tau=2}$$

$$n_d = 1 \quad \frac{2^+}{\tau=1}$$

$$n_d = 0 \quad \frac{0^+}{\tau=0}$$

γ -unstable deformed rotor - O(6)

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$$\tau=0 \quad \frac{0^+}{\tau=0}$$

$$\sigma = N$$

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Geometric Interpretation - Intrinsic State Formalism



- Intrinsic states:

$$|N; \beta, \gamma\rangle = (N!)^{-1/2} (b_C^\dagger)^N |0\rangle$$

$$b_C^\dagger = (1 + \beta^2)^{-1/2} [\beta \cos \gamma \cdot d_0^\dagger + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \beta \sin \gamma \cdot (d_2^\dagger + d_{-2}^\dagger) + s^\dagger] \quad \beta \geq 0, 0 \leq \gamma \leq \pi/3$$

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Geometric Interpretation - Intrinsic State Formalism



- Intrinsic states:

$$|N;\beta,\gamma\rangle = (N!)^{-1/2} (b_C^\dagger)^N |0\rangle$$

- The energy surface (“PES”):

$$E_N(\beta,\gamma) = \langle N;\beta,\gamma | H | N;\beta,\gamma \rangle$$

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Geometric Interpretation - Intrinsic State Formalism



- Minimize $E_N(\beta, \gamma)$ $|N; \beta, \gamma\rangle = (N!)^{-1/2} (b_c^\dagger)^N |0\rangle$

U(5) chain: $|N; \beta_{\text{eq}} = 0, \gamma\rangle = |[N]; n_d = \tau = L = 0\rangle$

O(6) chain: $|N; \beta_{\text{eq}} = 1, \gamma\rangle = |[N]; \sigma = N\rangle$

SU(3) chain: $|N; \beta_{\text{eq}} = \sqrt{2}, \gamma_{\text{eq}} = 0\rangle = |[N]; (2N, 0), K = 0\rangle$

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Quantum Phase Transitions

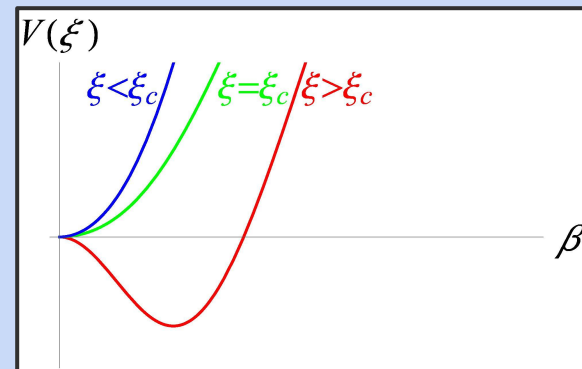
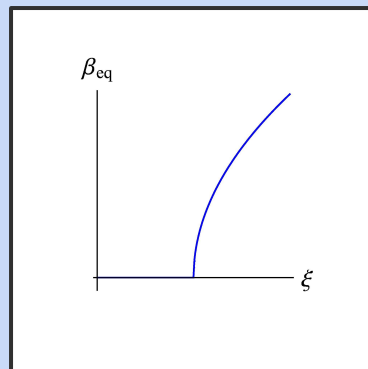
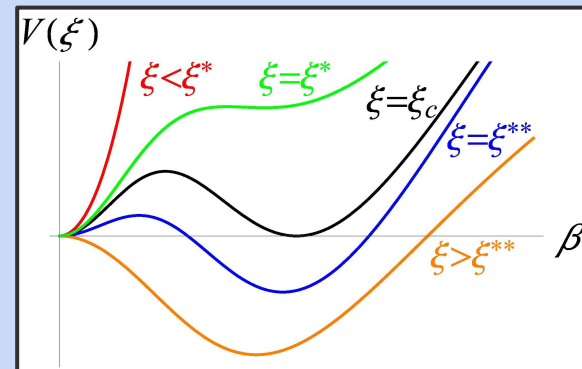
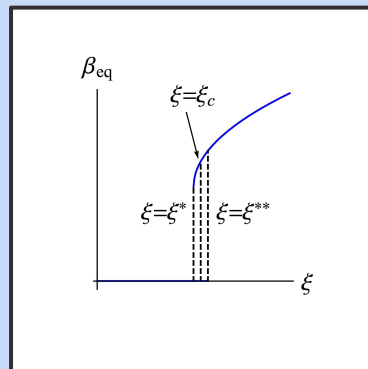
A **first-order** QPT (discontinuous)

$\partial E_N(\beta_{\text{eq}}, \gamma_{\text{eq}})/\partial \xi|_{\xi=\xi_c}$ is discontinuous.

$$H(\xi) = \xi H_1 + (1 - \xi)H_2 \quad 0 \leq \xi \leq 1$$

A **second-order** QPT (continuous)

$\partial^2 E_N(\beta_{\text{eq}}, \gamma_{\text{eq}})/\partial \xi^2|_{\xi=\xi_c}$ is discontinuous.



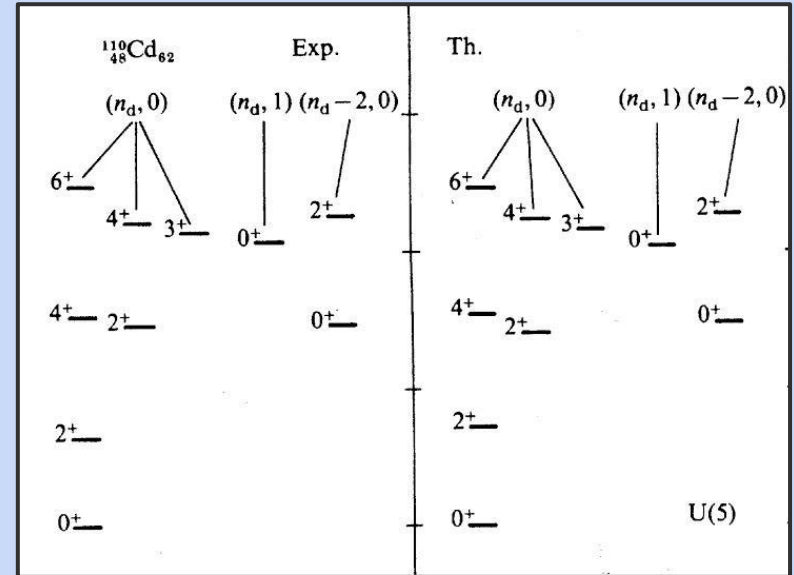
- Adding more bosons, e.g.
 - IBM-*sdg* ($L^p = 4^+$): U(15) algebra.
 - IBM-*sdpf* ($L^p = 1^-, 3^-$): U(16) algebra.
- IBM-2 - distinguishing between proton bosons ($s_{\pi}^{\dagger}, d_{\pi}^{\dagger}$) and neutron boson ($s_{\nu}^{\dagger}, d_{\nu}^{\dagger}$): $U_{\pi}(6) \otimes U_{\nu}(6)$ algebra.

Example 1



“U(5)-PDS and the vibrational structure of Cd nuclei”

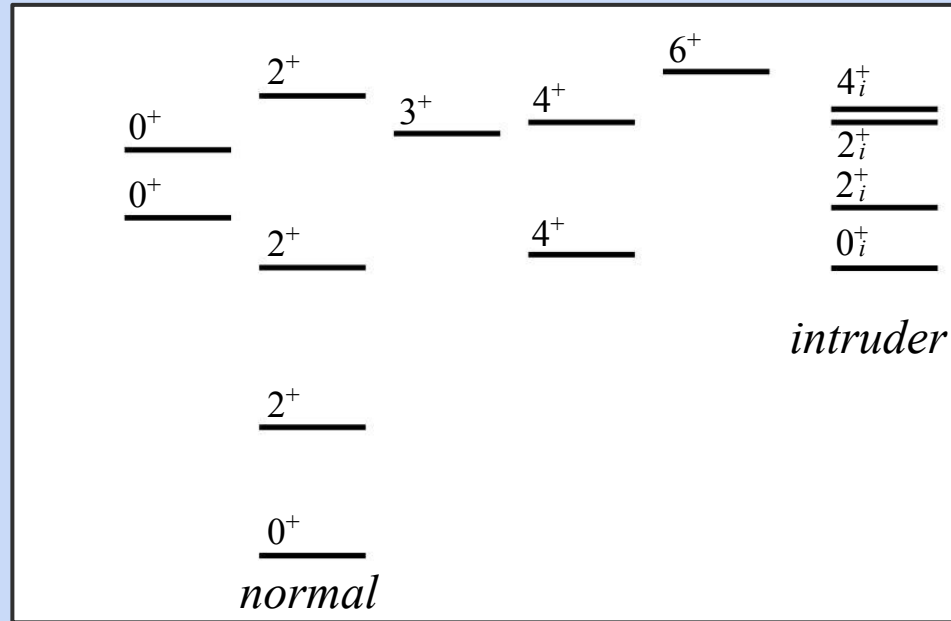
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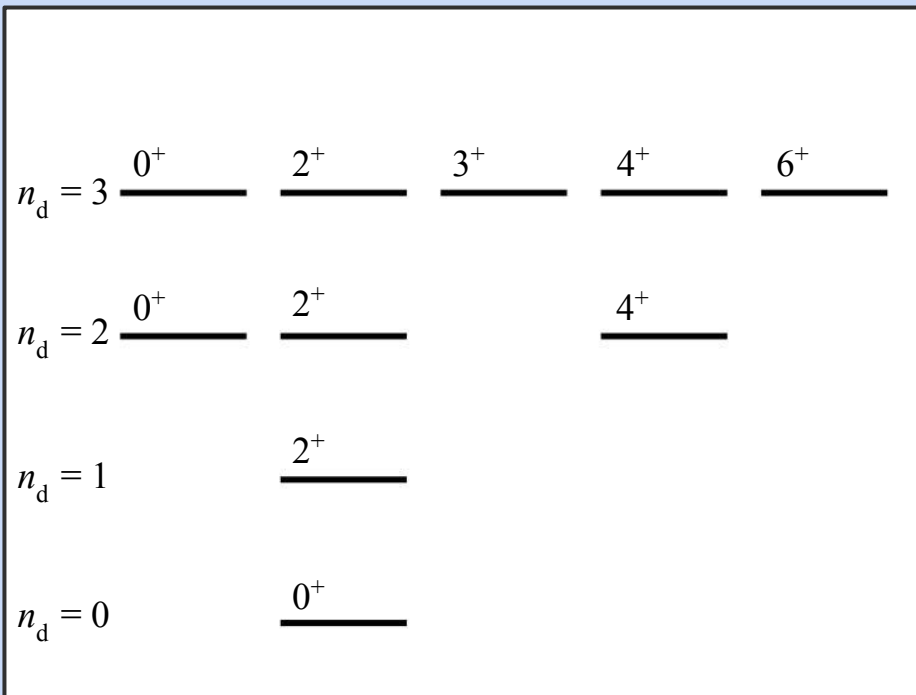
^{110}Cd experimental



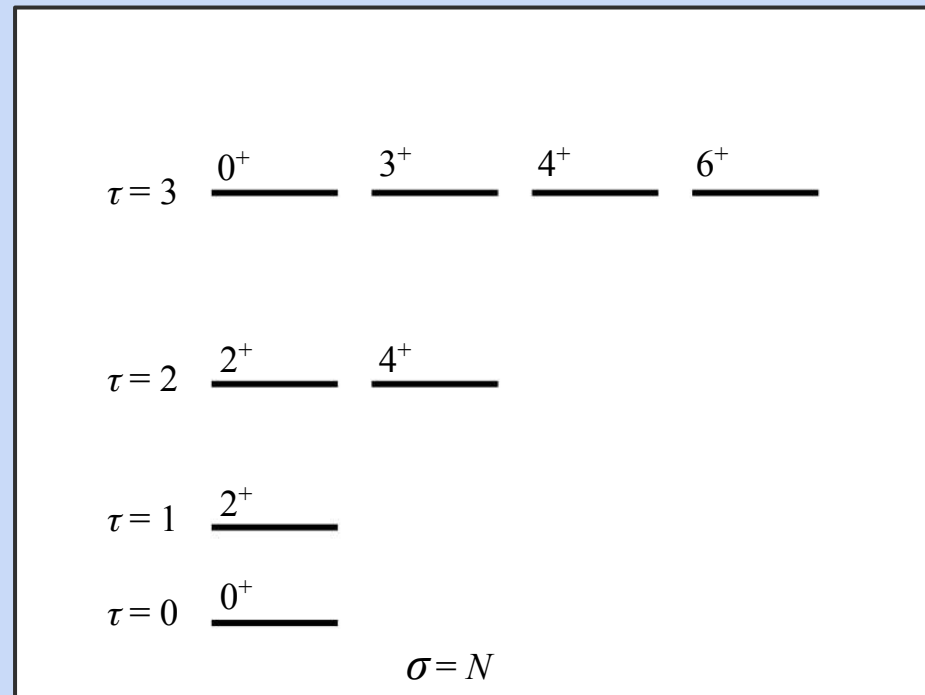
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Spherical vibrator - U(5)



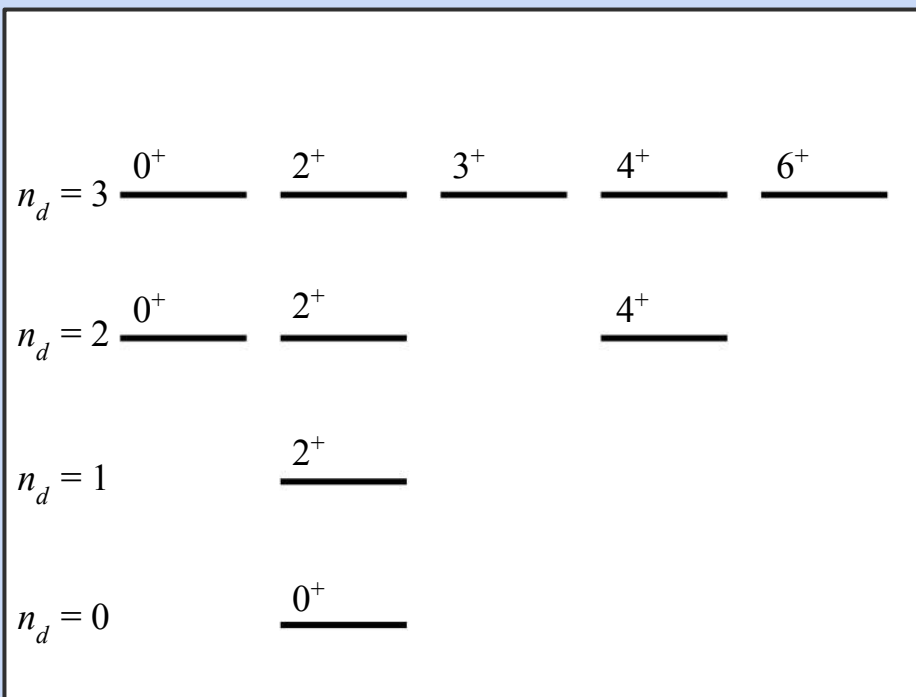
γ -unstable deformed rotor - O(6)



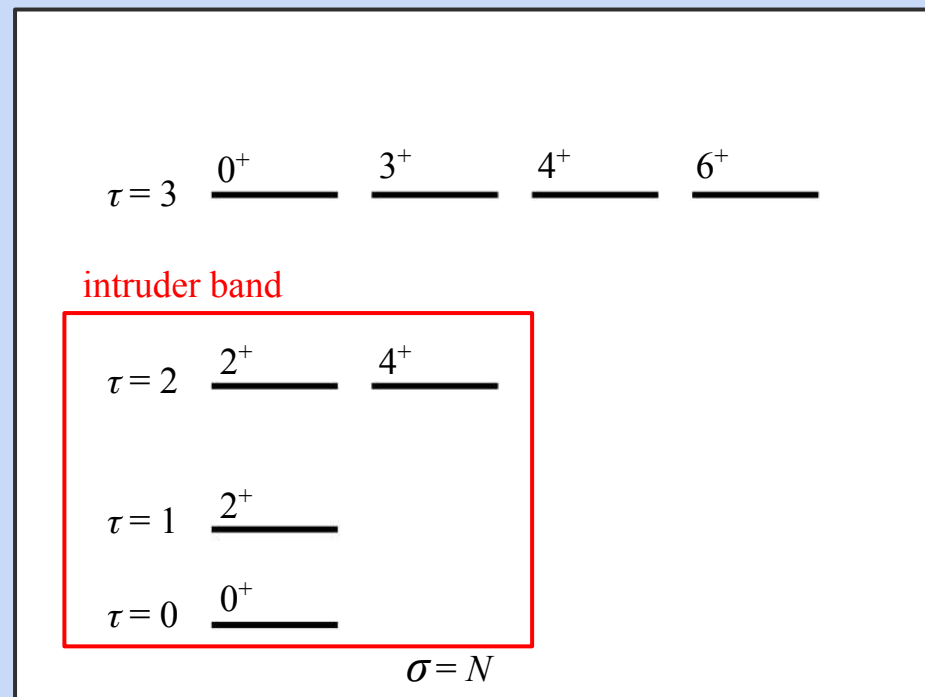
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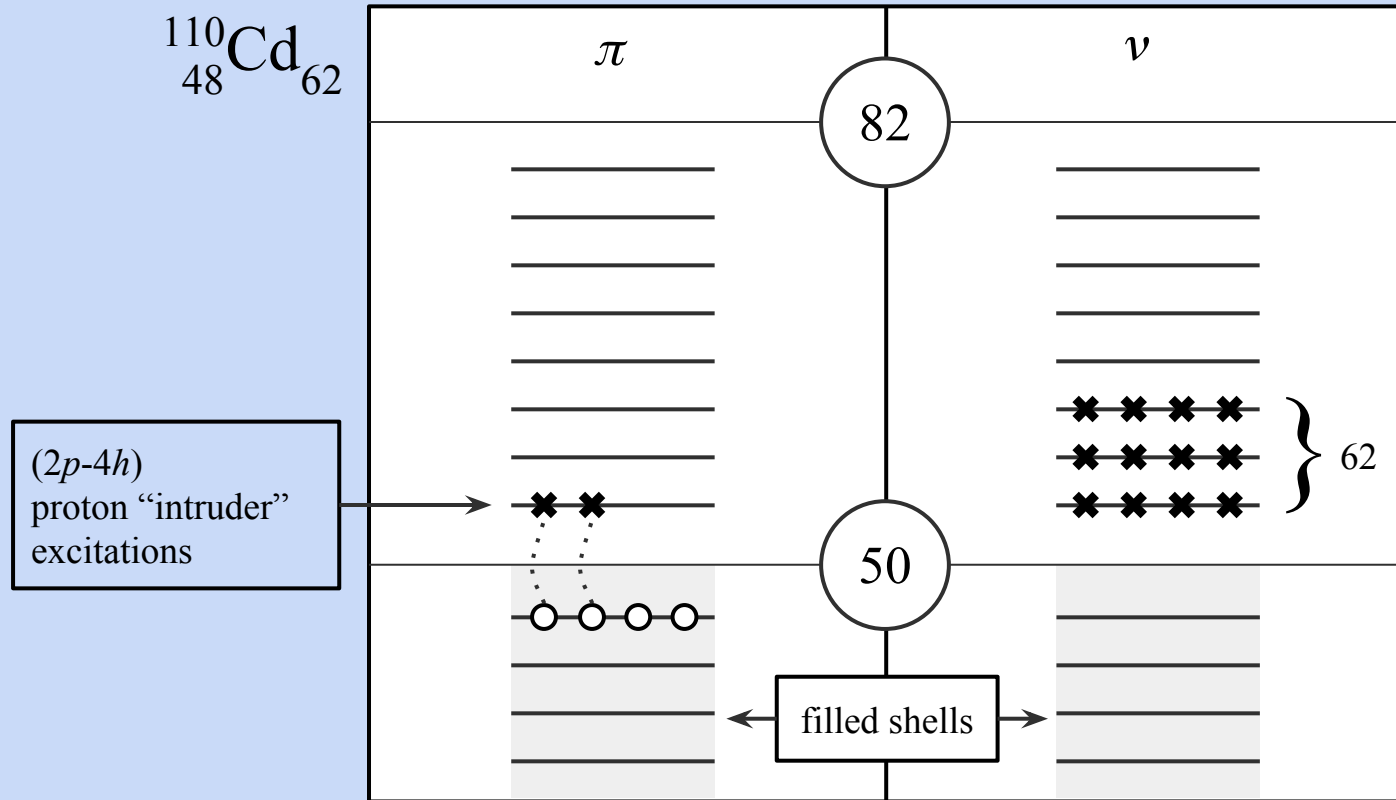


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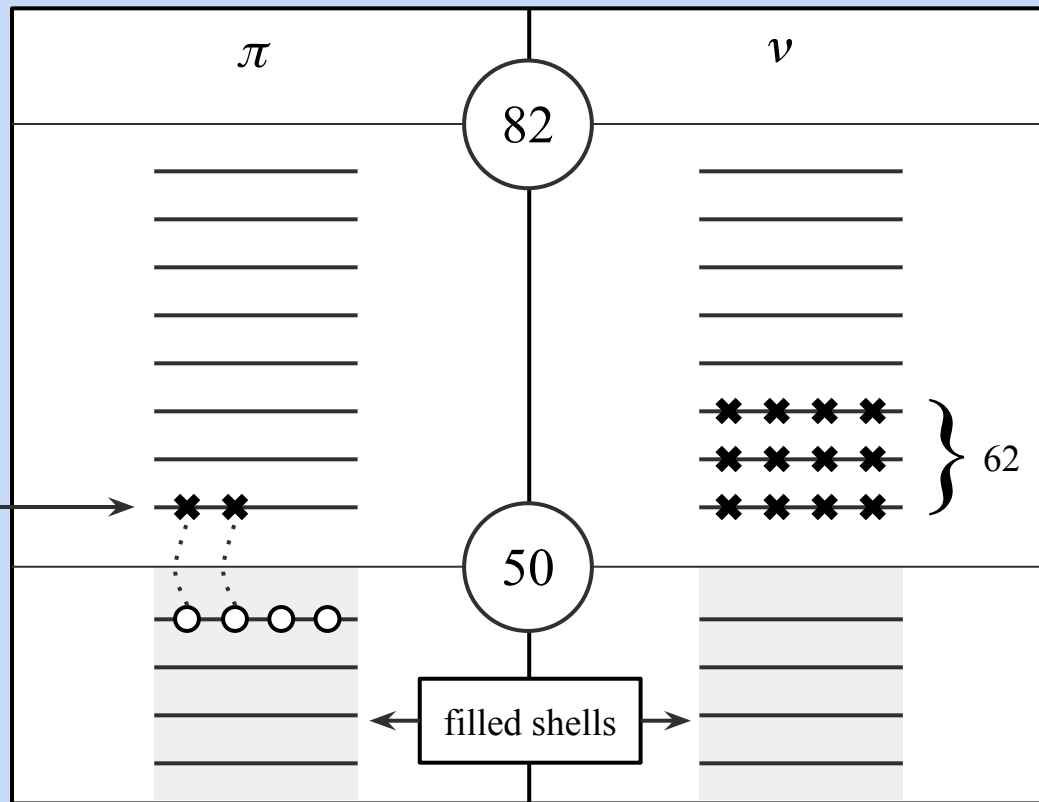
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$^{110}_{48}\text{Cd}_{62}$



$$\left(\begin{matrix} 32 \\ 12 \end{matrix} \right) =$$

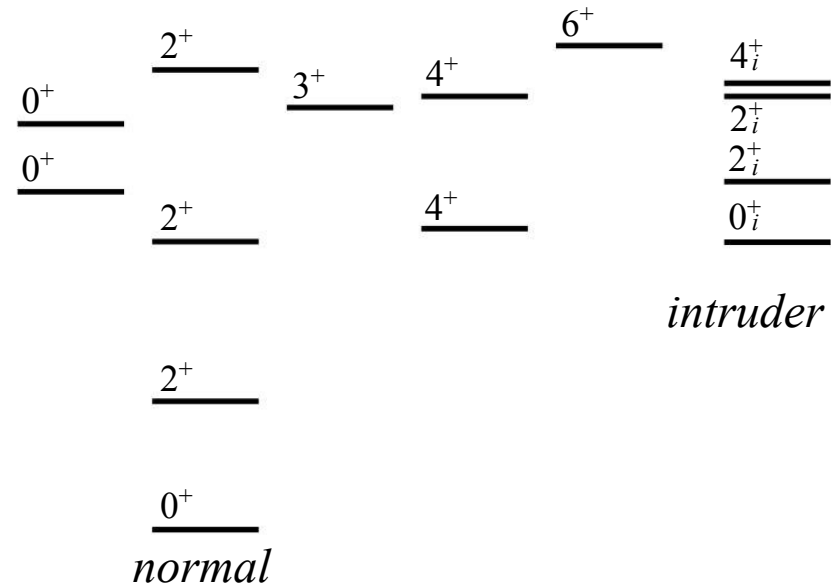
225,792,840
configurations
in the neutron
shells.

$(2p-4h)$
proton "intruder"
excitations

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The problem of ^{110}Cd

^{110}Cd experimental

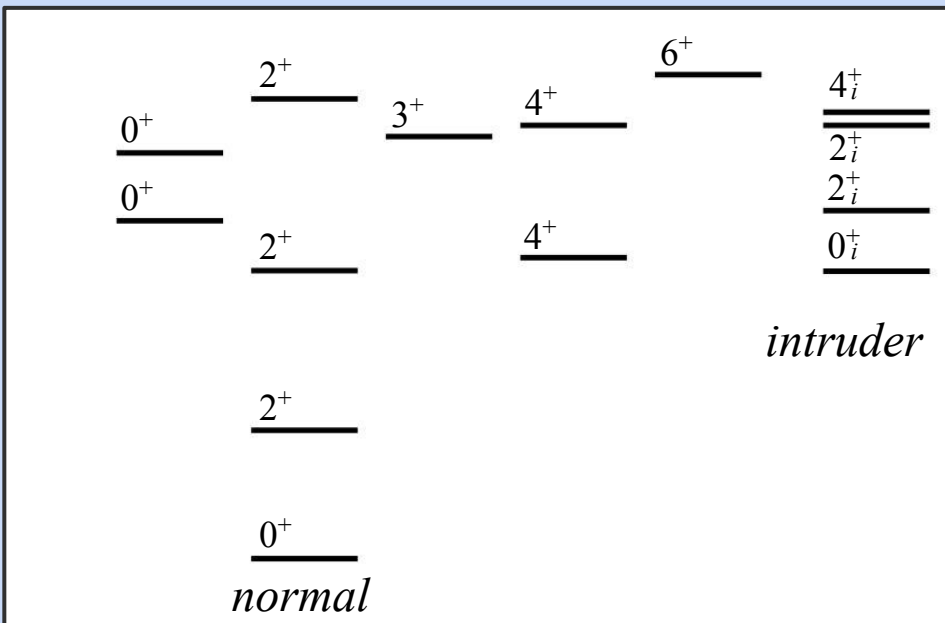
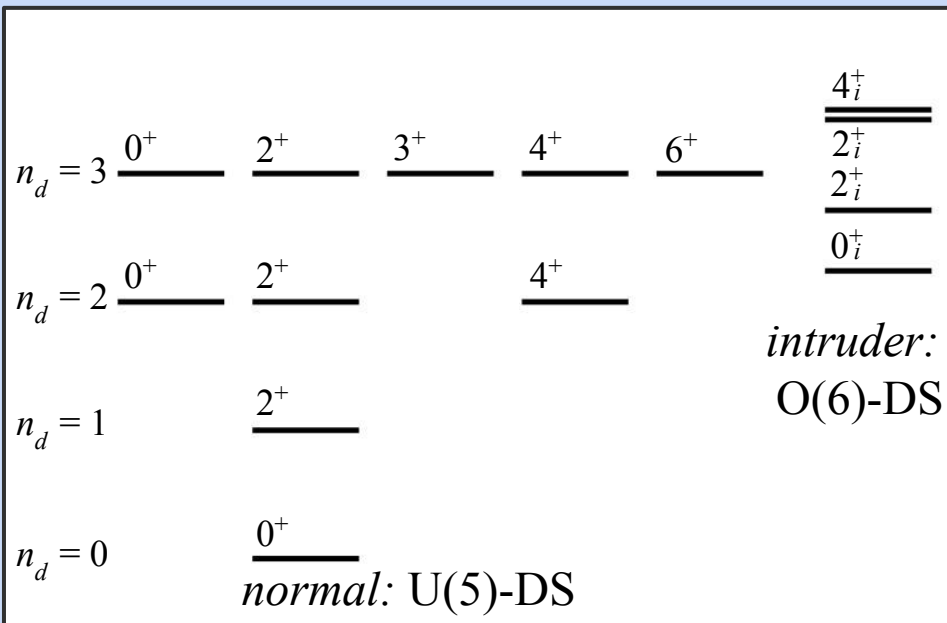


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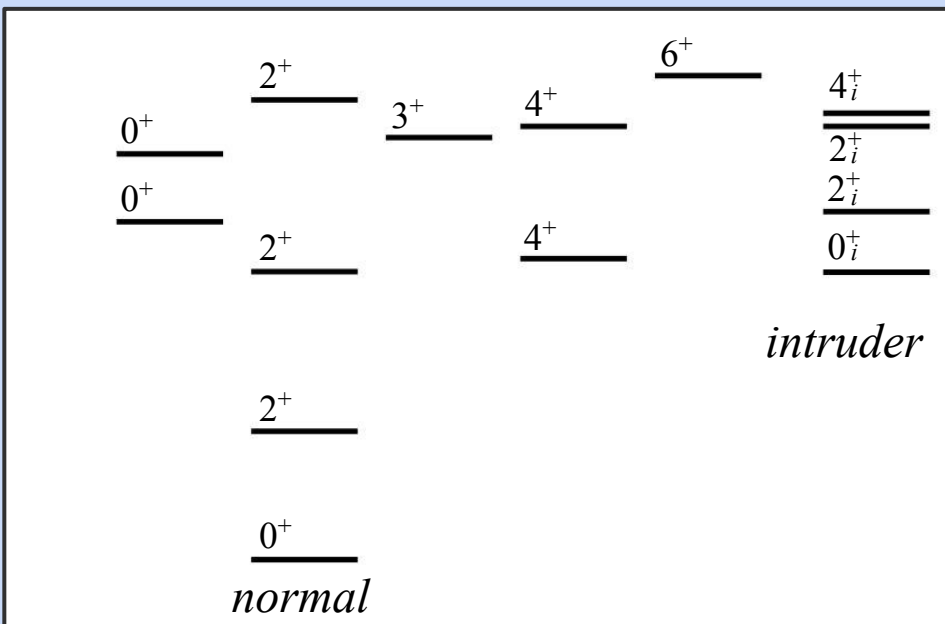
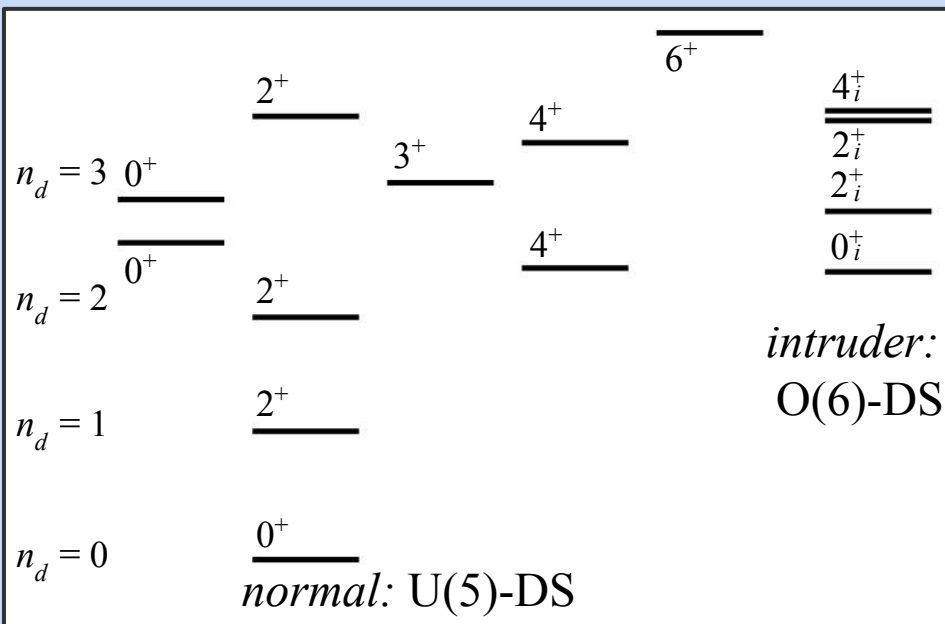


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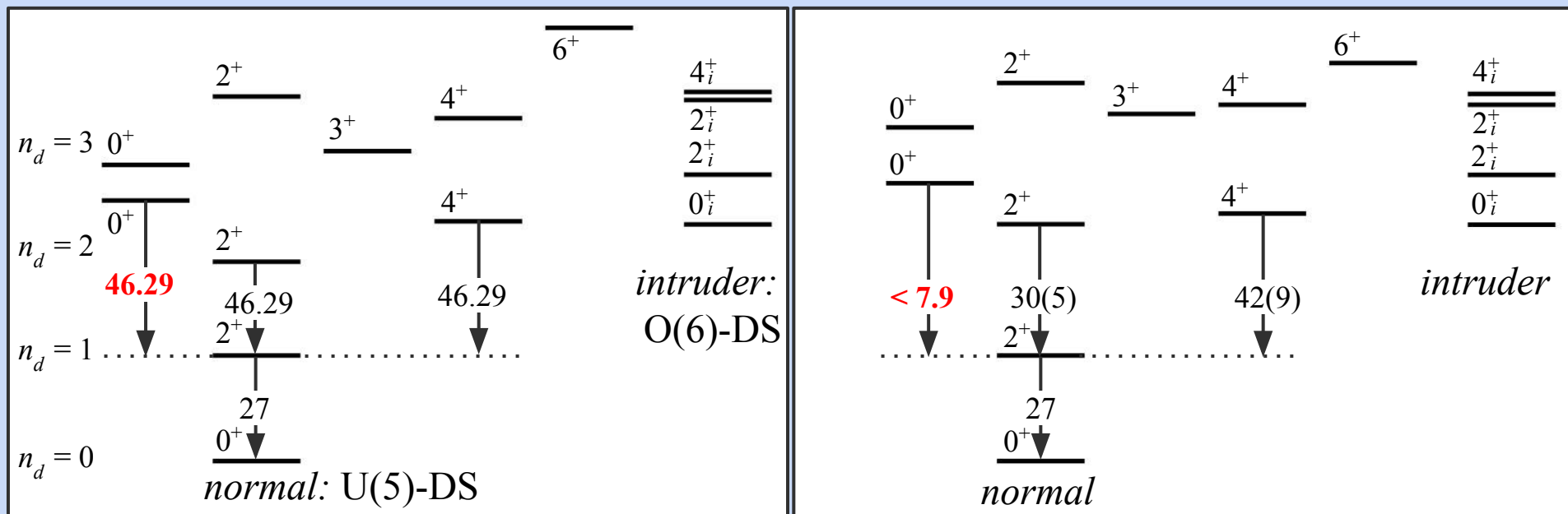


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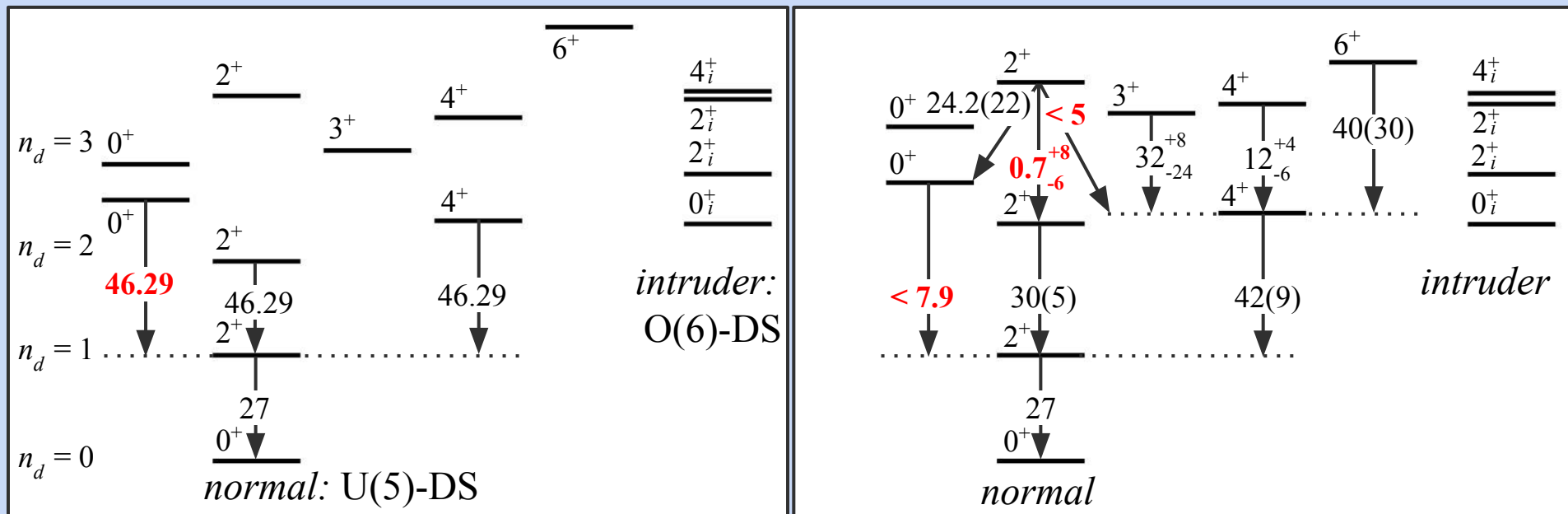


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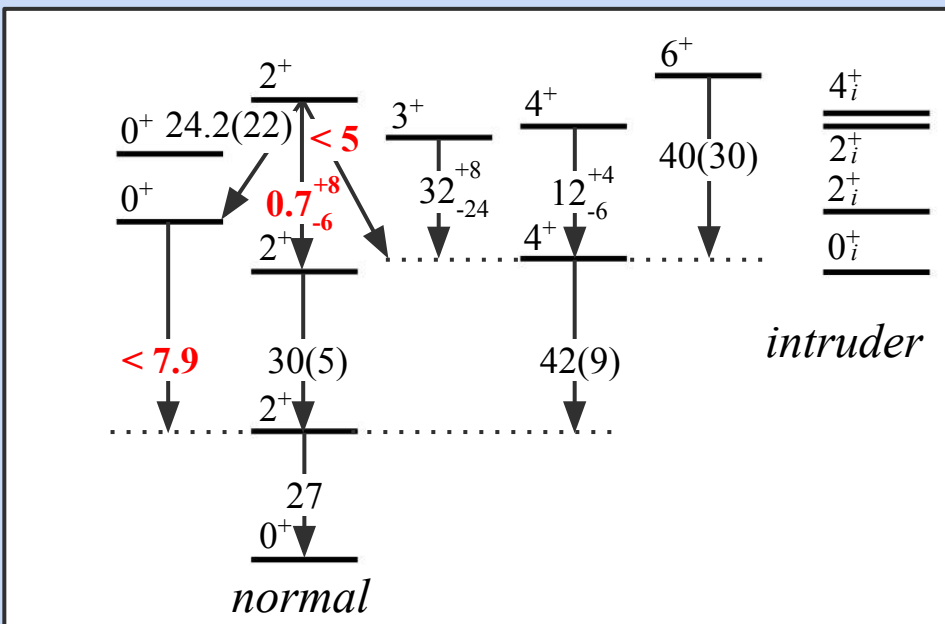
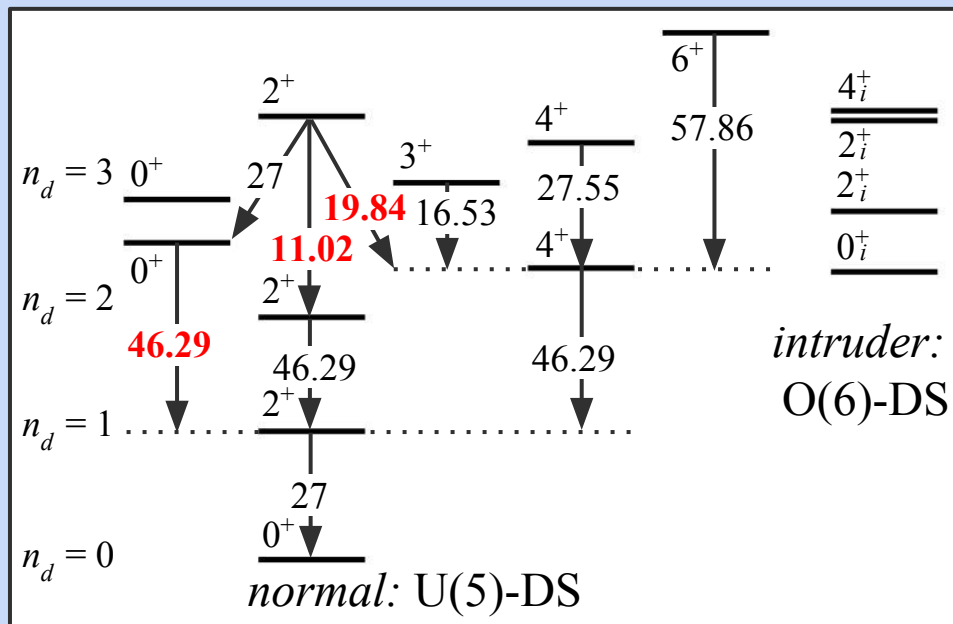


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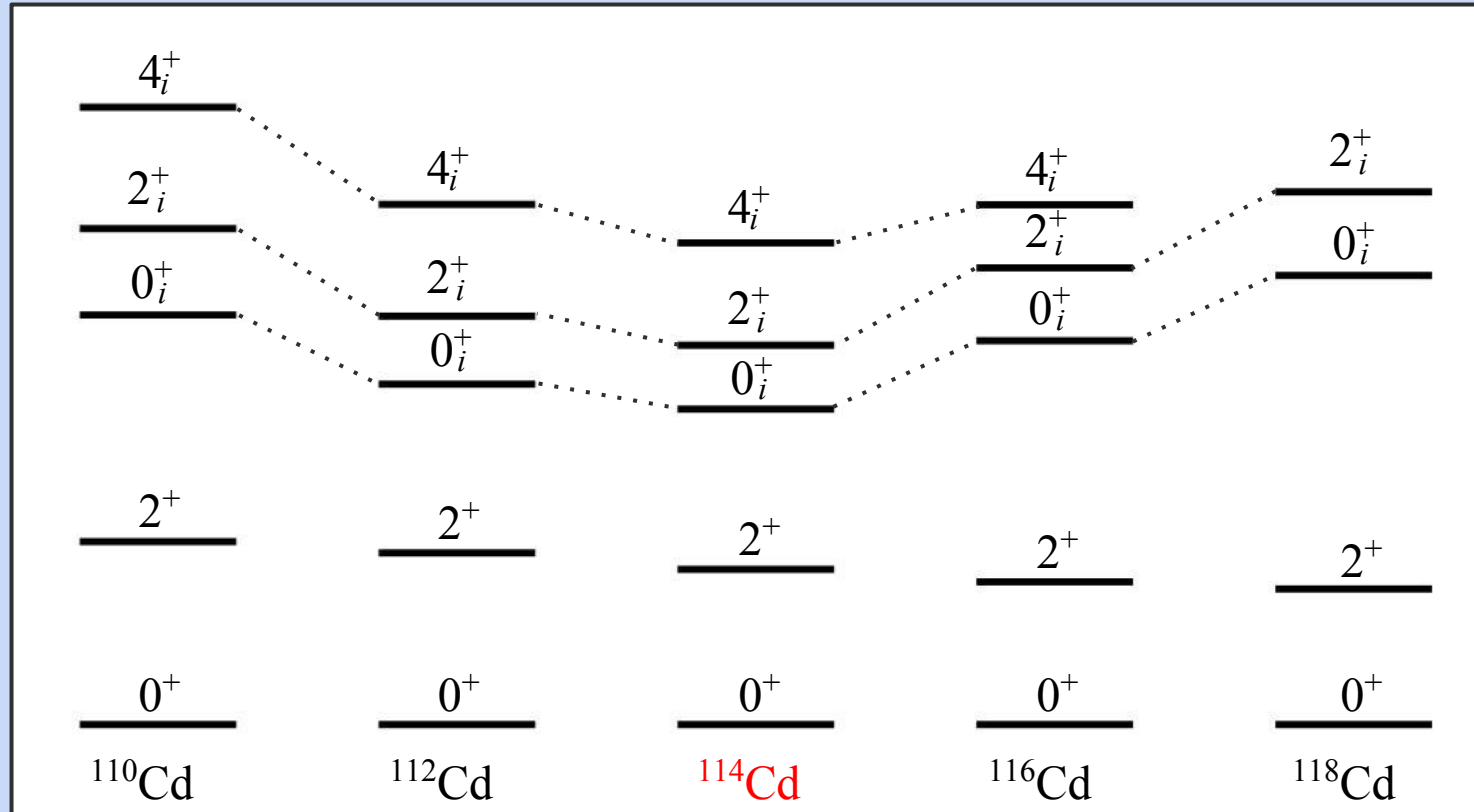
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Strong mixing between normal and intruder bands

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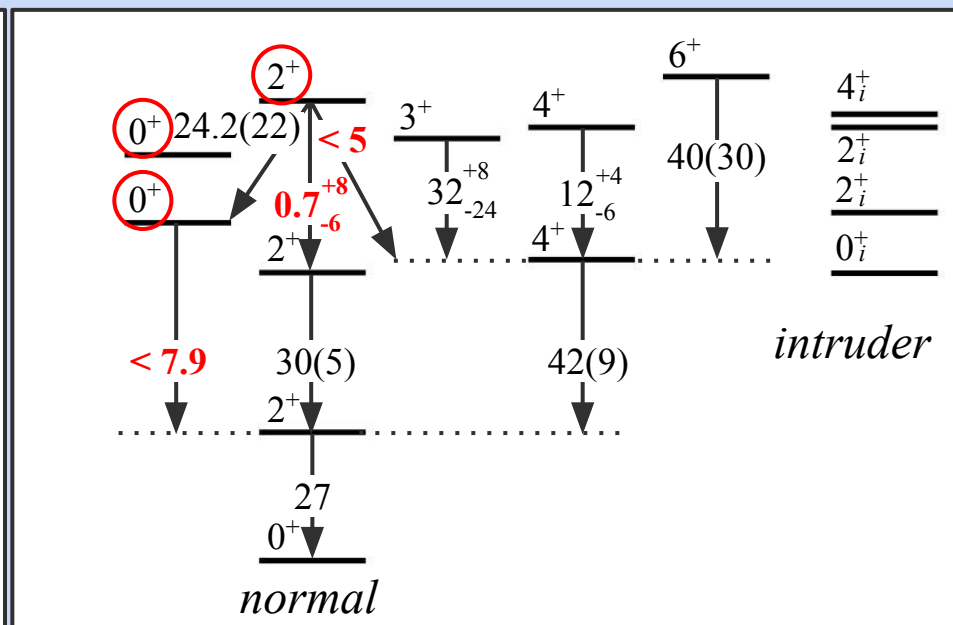
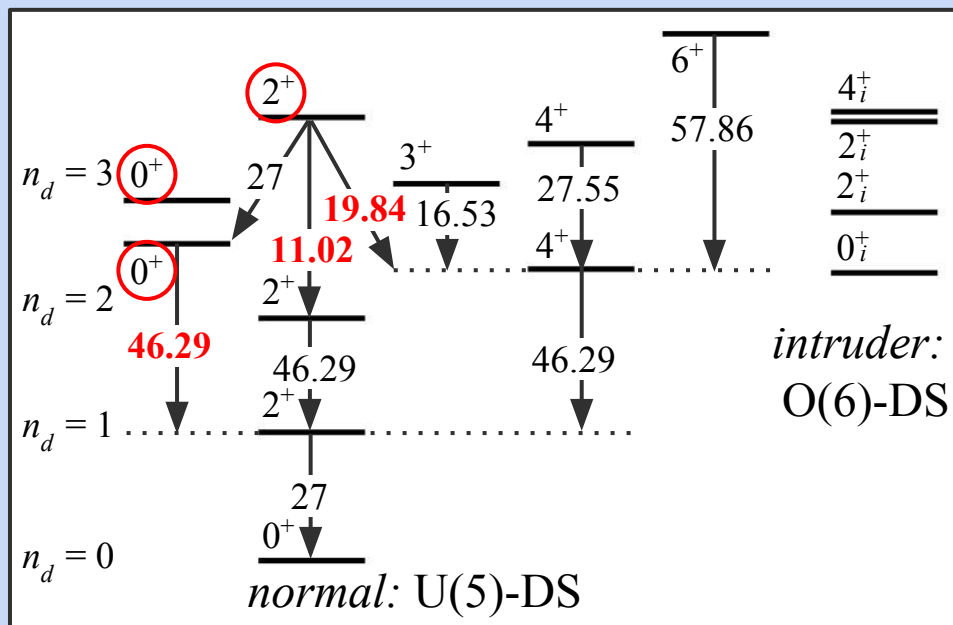
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U(5)-PDS

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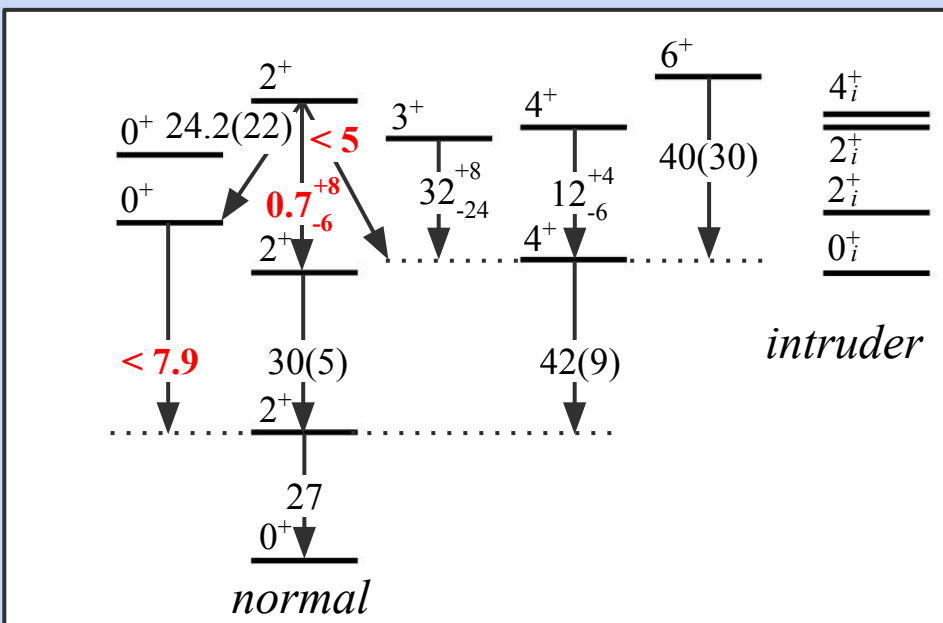
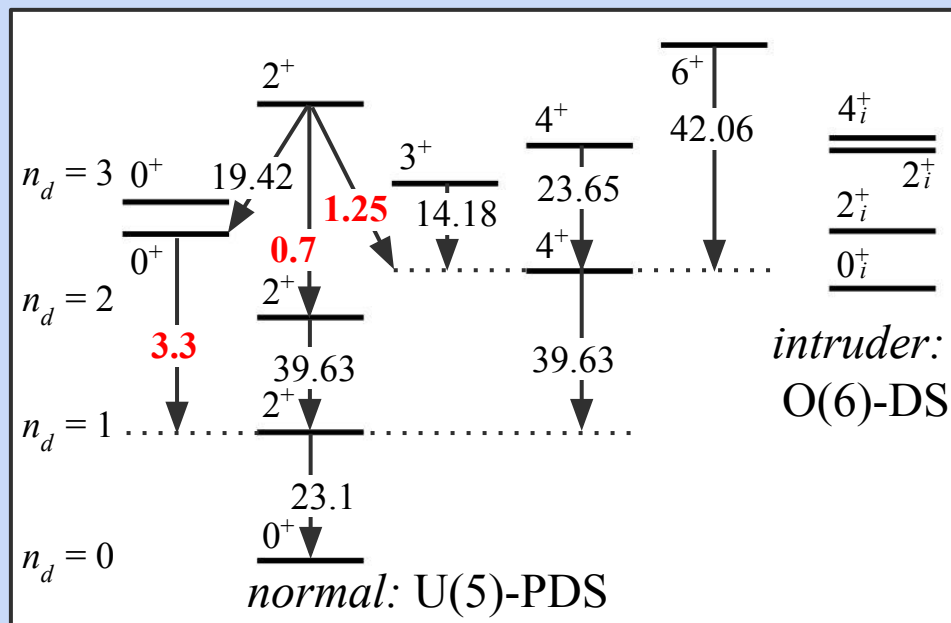


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^{110}Cd and ^{112}Cd - preliminary results of U(5)-PDS seem promising.

^{114}Cd , ^{116}Cd ?

Thank you

Partial dynamical symmetry (PDS)

Exact symmetry: $[H, g_i] = 0 ; \quad g_i \in G$

Dynamical symmetry: $[H, C(G_k)] = 0 ; \quad H = \sum_k a_k C(G_k)$

$$G_0 \supset G_1 \supset \dots \supset G_n$$
$$|\alpha_0 \quad \alpha_1 \quad \dots \quad \alpha_n\rangle$$

Partial symmetry: $[H, g_i] \neq 0 ; \quad [H, g_i]|\psi\rangle = 0 ; g_i \in G$

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