

Seminar at ECT* - workshop Nonequilibrium phenomena in superfluid systems

Determining Fission Fragment Spin Properties Using Projection Techniques

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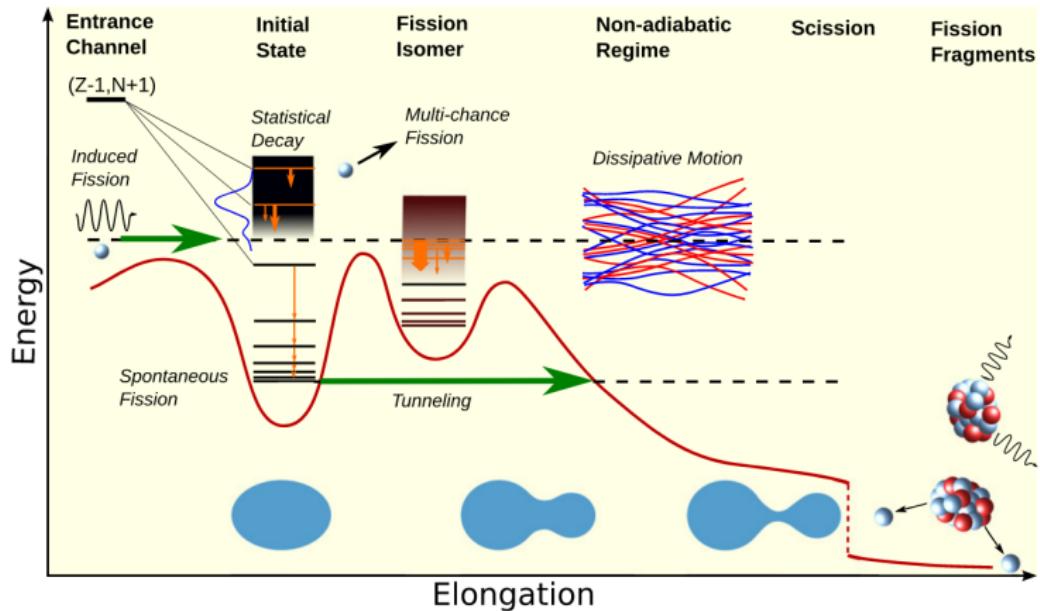
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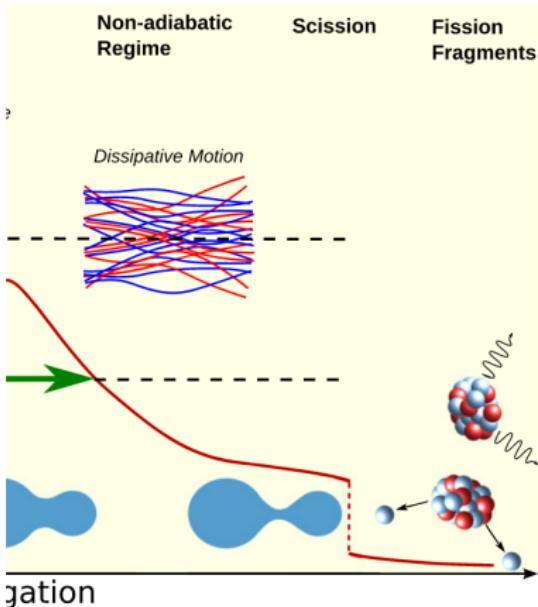
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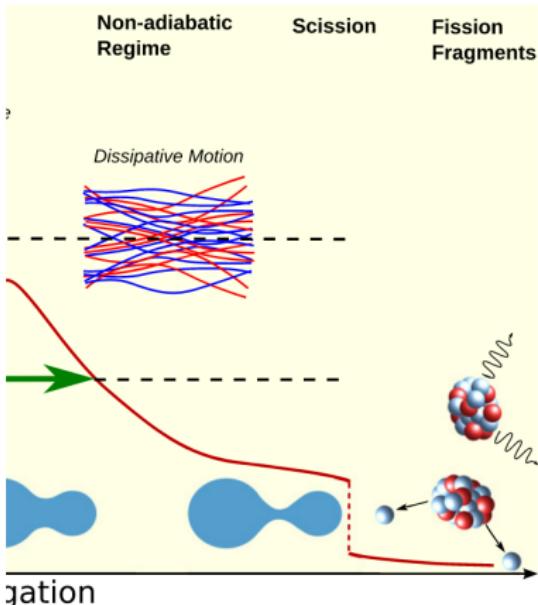
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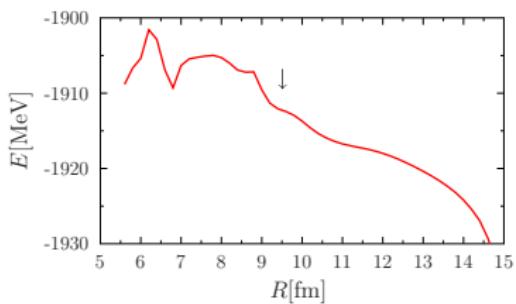
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What do we want to understand?

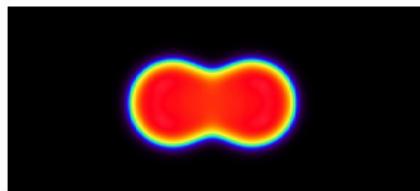
- Charge and mass distribution
- Connection with structure
- Odd-even effects
- Charge polarization
- Spin of the fragments



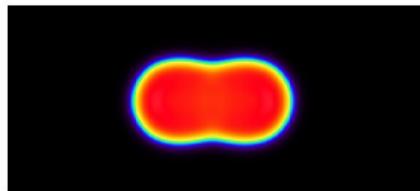
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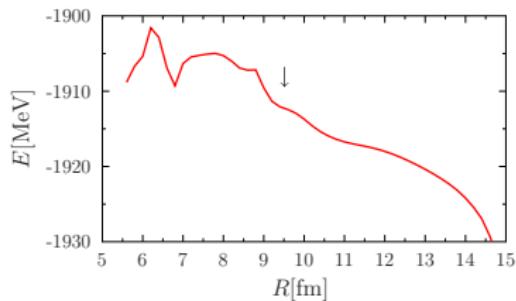
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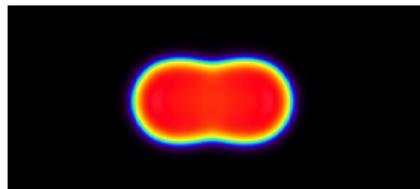
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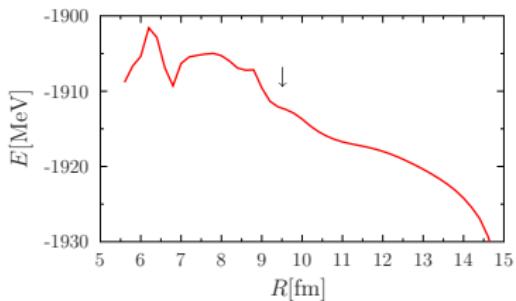


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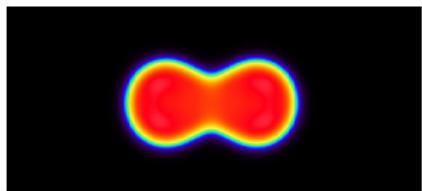


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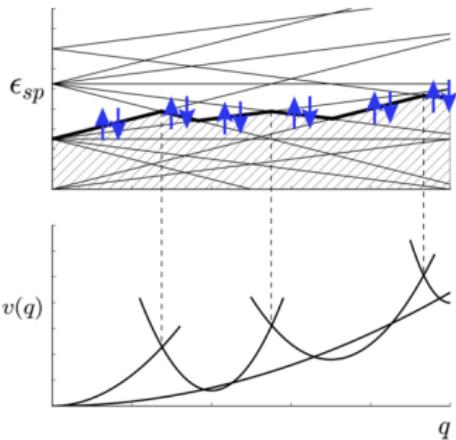


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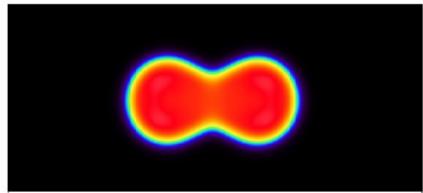


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Impact of pairing

Pairing is a lubricant for fission

Quasi-particle vacuum

$$|\Psi\rangle = \prod_{\alpha} (u_{\alpha} + v_{\alpha} a_{\alpha}^{\dagger} a_{\alpha}^{\dagger}) |-\rangle$$

In the particular case of two particles and two states :

$$\begin{aligned} |\Psi\rangle &= (u_1 + v_1 a_1^{\dagger} a_1^{\dagger})(u_2 + v_2 a_2^{\dagger} a_2^{\dagger}) |-\rangle \\ &= u_1 u_2 |-\rangle + u_2 v_1 a_1^{\dagger} a_1^{\dagger} |-\rangle + u_1 v_2 a_2^{\dagger} a_2^{\dagger} |-\rangle + v_1 v_2 a_1^{\dagger} a_1^{\dagger} a_2^{\dagger} a_2^{\dagger} |-\rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$|BCS\rangle = c_1 \overbrace{\hspace{1cm}}^{[2]}_{[1]} + c_2 \overbrace{\hspace{1cm}}^{[2]}_{[1]} + c_3 \overbrace{\hspace{1cm}}^{[2]}_{[1]} + c_4 \overbrace{\hspace{1cm}}^{[2]}_{[1]}$$

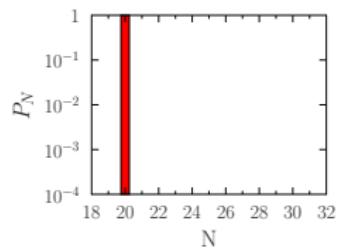
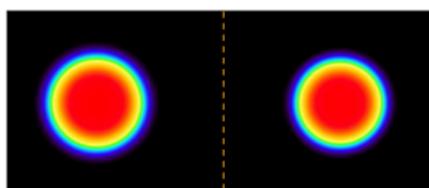
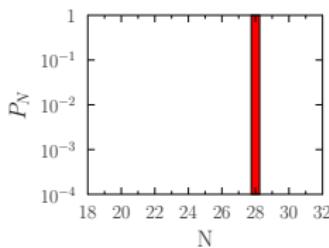
Projector on the good number of particles

$$\hat{P}(N) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{i\varphi(\hat{N}-N)} d\varphi$$

$$\hat{P}(2)|BCS\rangle = c'_2 \overbrace{\hspace{1cm}}^{[2]}_{[1]} + c'_3 \overbrace{\hspace{1cm}}^{[2]}_{[1]}$$

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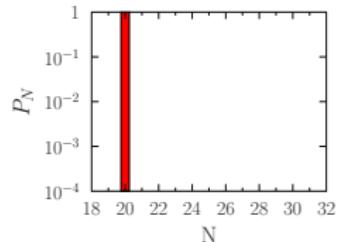
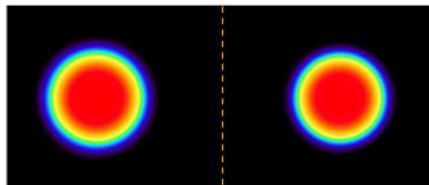
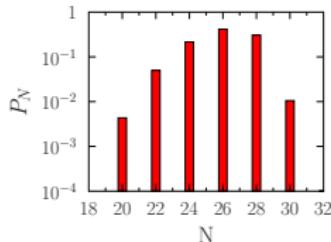
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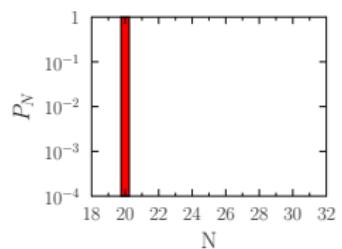
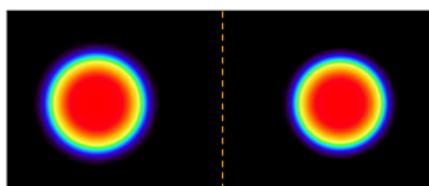
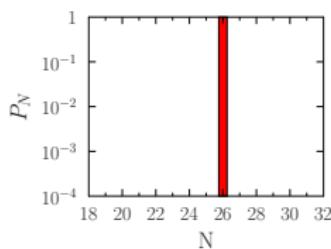
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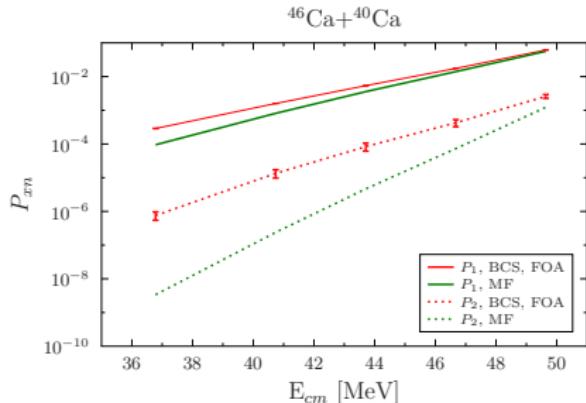
$$P_B(N) = \frac{\langle \Psi(t) | \hat{P}_B(N) \hat{P}(N_0) | \Psi(t) \rangle}{\langle \Psi(t) | \hat{P}(N_0) | \Psi(t) \rangle}$$

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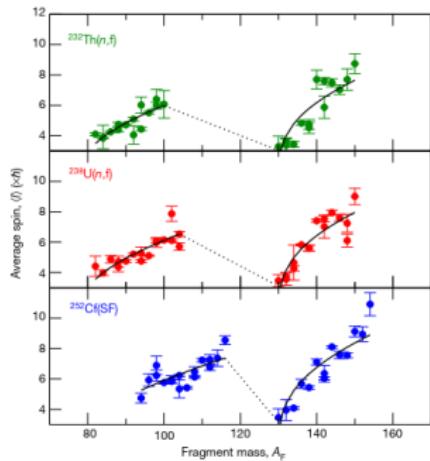
Effect of pairing on P_1 and P_2 

Effect of initial pairing correlations :

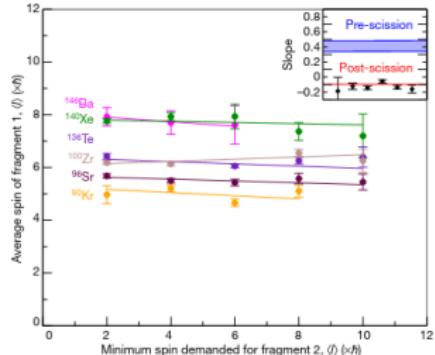
- fragmentation of single particle occupation numbers
 - ▶ enhancement of P_{1n}
- non-zero two body correlations ($\kappa \neq 0$)
 - ▶ enhancement of P_{2n}

Spins of the fission fragments

Spin of the fragments



Correlations



J. N. Wilson, Nature, 590, 566 (2021)

- The average spin follows a sawtooth shape
- No correlations between the spins of the fragments

Spins are mostly perpendicular to the fission axis

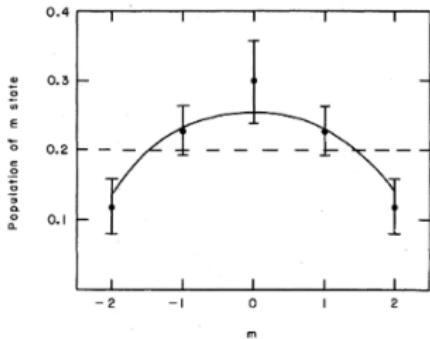


FIG. 9. The points are the calculated populations of the various m substates of the 2^+ level in ^{144}Ba . These values were determined using the fitted experimental angular distribution of the $2^+ \rightarrow 0^+$ γ ray. The solid line represents the predicted population of the m states as calculated from the statistical-model analysis of the de-excitation process using Eqs. (4) and (5) with an assumed value of $B = 6$ [Eq. (3)] for the initial angular momentum distribution.

J. B. Wilhelmy, E. Cheifetz, R. C. Jared, S. G. Thompson, H. R. Bowman, and J. O. Rasmussen Phys. Rev. C 5, 2041 (1972)

Literature

- Thermal excitations
- Quantum fluctuations
- Coulomb force
- Breaking of the neck

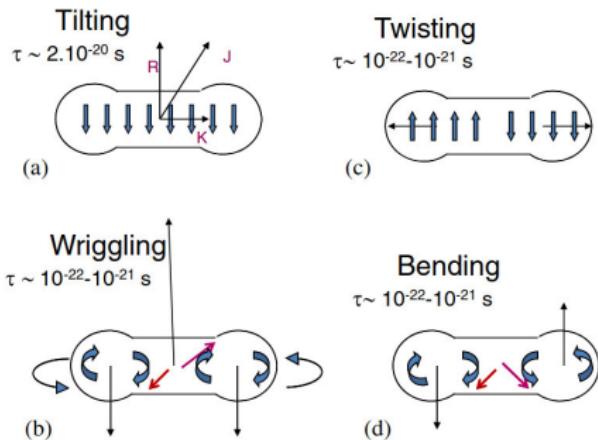
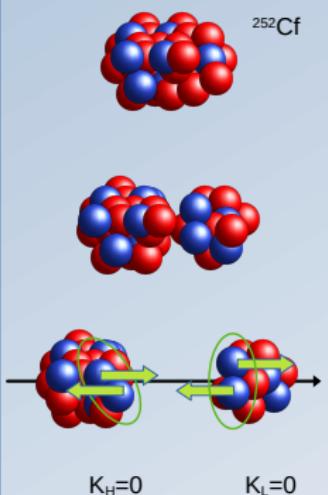


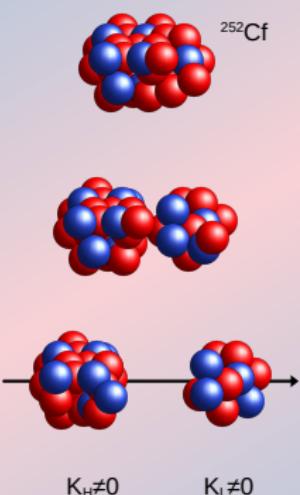
Illustration from B. John, J. Phys., 85, 2, (2015).

Assuming Cold fission

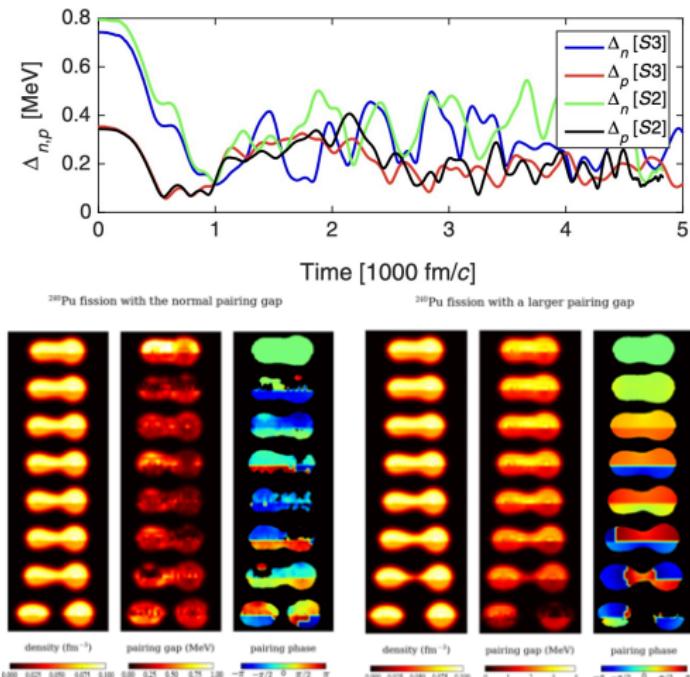


Fully paired fragments
Only even-even fragments

Realistic case



Pairs are broken
Every outcome are possible



A. Bulgac, P. Magierski, Kenneth J. Roche, and I. Stetcu, PRL 116, 122504 (2016).

Projection method

Projection on the spin and K number (Projection of the spin on the fission axis)

$$\hat{P}_{MK}^S = \frac{(2S+1)}{16\pi^2} \int d\Omega \mathcal{D}_{MK}^{S*}(\Omega) e^{i\alpha \hat{S}_z} e^{i\beta \hat{S}_y} e^{i\gamma \hat{S}_z},$$

$$P(S_F, K_F) = \langle \Psi | \hat{P}_{K_F K_F}^{S_F} | \Psi \rangle,$$

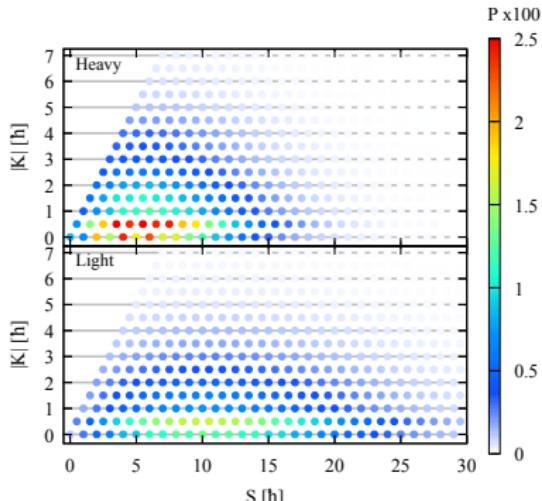
Calculation of the overlap : G. F. Bertsch and L. M. Robledo, PRL 108, 042505 (2012)

$$\langle \Psi | \hat{R} | \Psi \rangle = \frac{(-1)^n}{\prod_{\alpha}^n v_{\alpha}^2} \text{pf} \begin{bmatrix} V^T U & V^T R^T V^* \\ -V^{\dagger} R V & U^{\dagger} V^* \end{bmatrix}$$

Optimized Pfaffian calculation : M. Wimmer, ACM Trans. Math Softw. 38, 30 (2012).

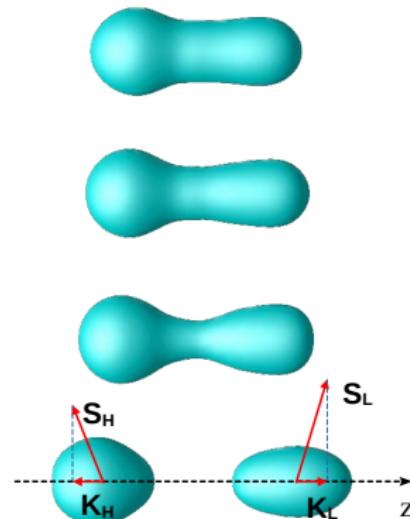
Spin distribution in the fragments

Obtained using 3-angle projection operator



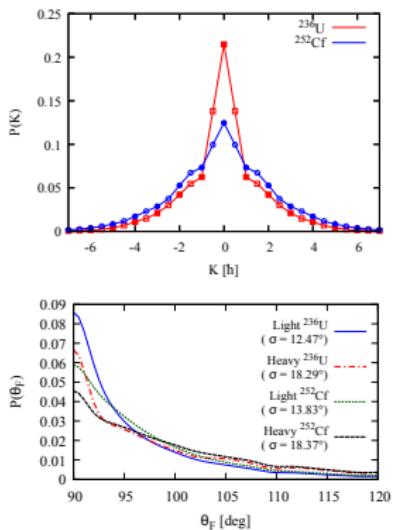
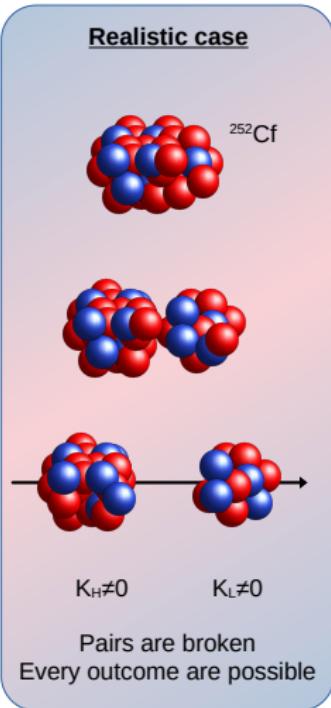
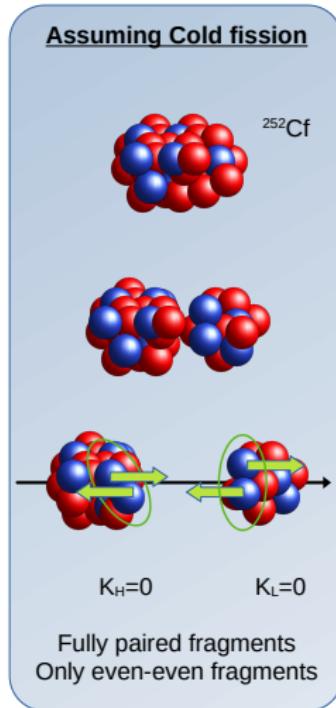
TDHFB - SEALL1

Geometry of the reaction



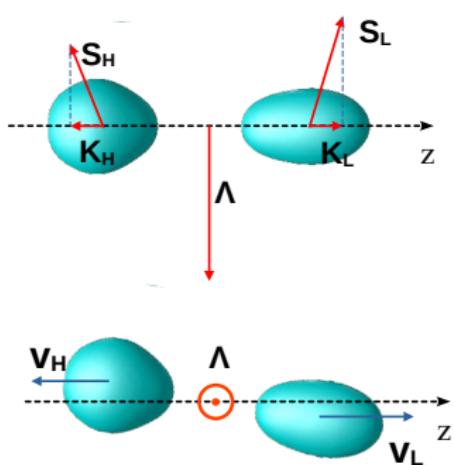
Pair breaking mechanism?

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$$\cos \theta_F = \frac{K_F}{\sqrt{S_F(S_F + 1)}}$$

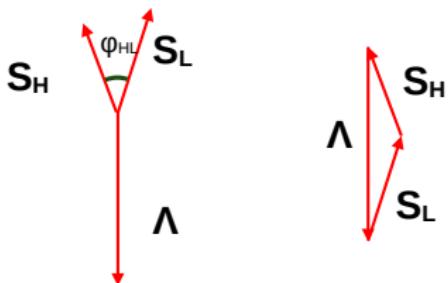
Orbital angular momemtum



In spontaneous fission of a 0^+ state

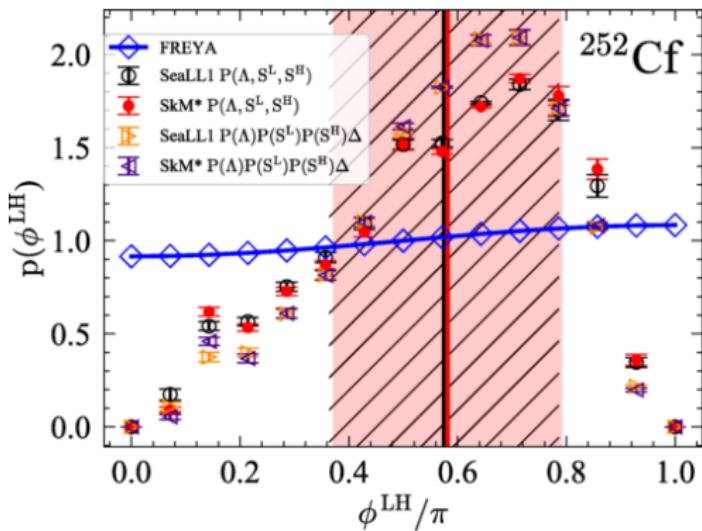
$$\mathbf{S}_H + \mathbf{S}_L + \mathbf{\Lambda} = \mathbf{0},$$

Triangular rule :



$$\cos(\varphi_{HL}) = \left(\frac{\Lambda(\Lambda + 1) - S_H(S_H + 1) - S_L(S_L + 1)}{2\sqrt{S_H(S_H + 1)S_L(S_L + 1)}} \right)$$

TDDFT (in 2022) vs Freya



A. Bulgac, I. Abdurrahman, K. Godbey, and I. Stetcu, Phys. Rev. Lett. 128, 022501(2022).

Opening angle distribution

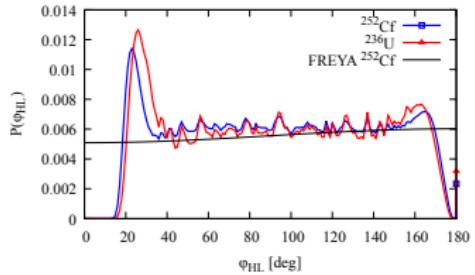
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$$\varphi_{HL} = \arccos \left(\frac{\Lambda(\Lambda+1) - S_H(S_H+1) - S_L(S_L+1)}{2\sqrt{S_H(S_H+1)S_L(S_L+1)}} \right)$$

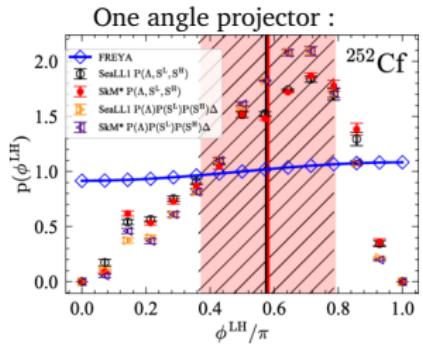
$$P(\Lambda, S_H, S_L) = \sum_{k_H k_L} \langle \Psi | \hat{P}_{0,0}^{\Lambda} \hat{P}_{K_H K_H}^{S_H} \hat{P}_{K_L K_L}^{S_L} | \Psi \rangle.$$

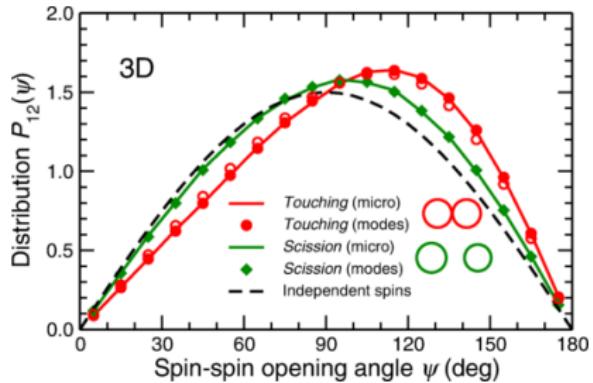
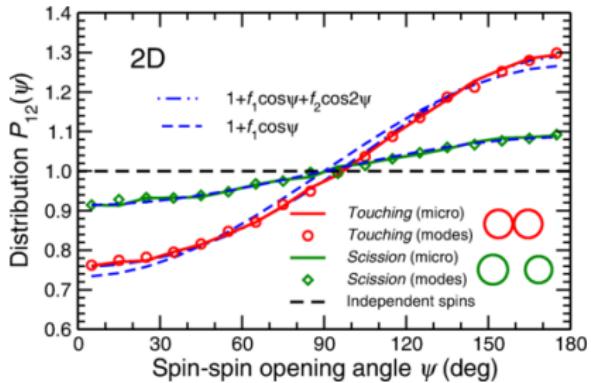
$$P(\Lambda, S_H, S_L) = \sum_{K_H K_L K'_H K'_L} (-1)^{K'_H - K_H + K'_L - K_L}$$

$$C_{S_H, -K_H, S_L, -K_L}^{\Lambda, 0} C_{S_H, -K'_H, S_L, -K'_L}^{\Lambda, 0} \langle \Psi | \hat{P}_{K_H K'_H}^{S_H} \hat{P}_{K_L K'_L}^{S_L} | \Psi \rangle$$



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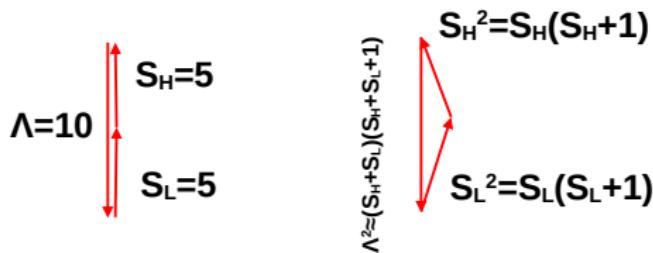


J. Randrup, Phys. Rev. C 106, L051601 (2022).

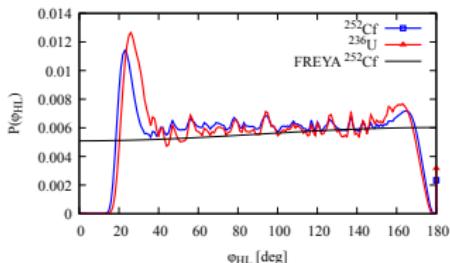
Question

- How the quantal effects change this picture ?
- How the geometry change the opening angle distribution assuming no correlation ?

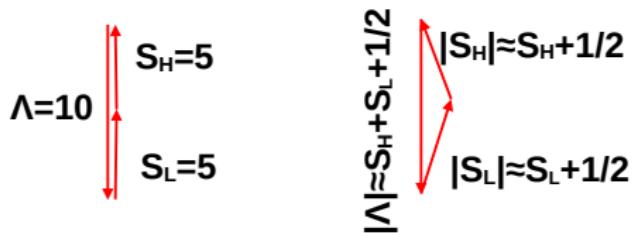
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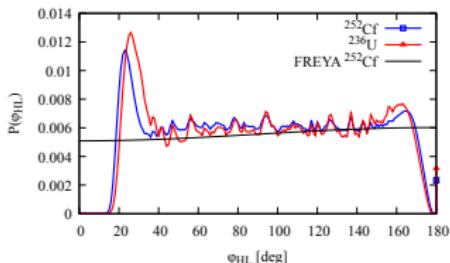
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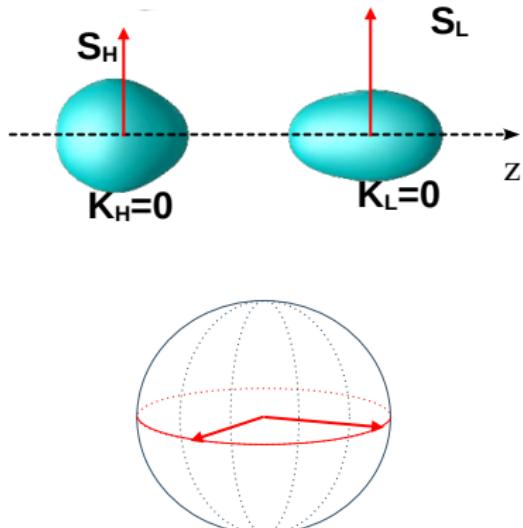


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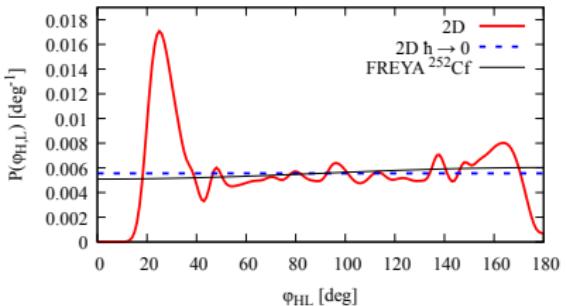
Opening angle distribution - 2D case

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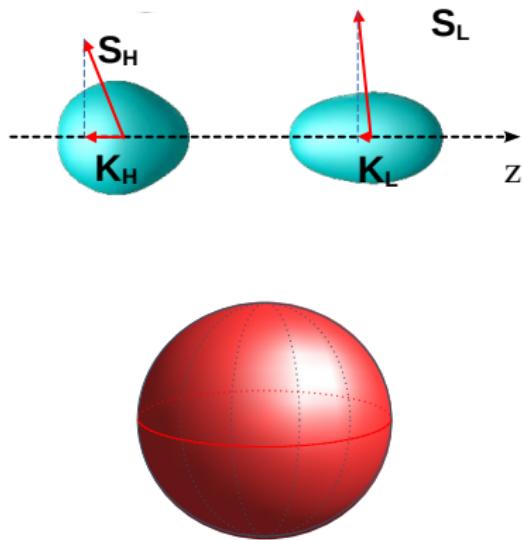


$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{S_H, K_H, S_L, K_L} c_{S_H, K_H, S_L, K_L} |S_H, K_H, S_L, K_L\rangle,$$

$$|c_{S_H, K_H, S_L, K_L}|^2 \propto \delta_{K_H, 0} \delta_{K_L, 0} (2S_H + 1) e^{-\frac{-S_H(S_H+1)}{2\sigma_H^2}} \\ \times (2S_L + 1) e^{-\frac{-S_L(S_L+1)}{2\sigma_L^2}}.$$

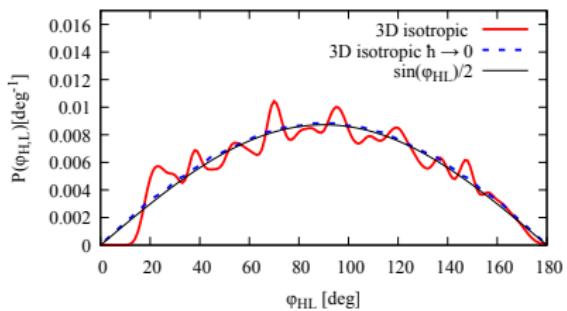


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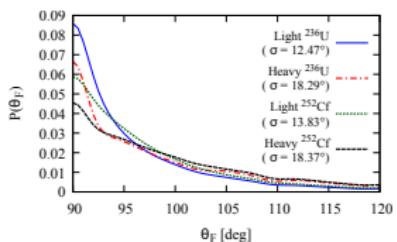
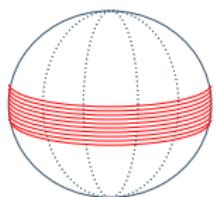
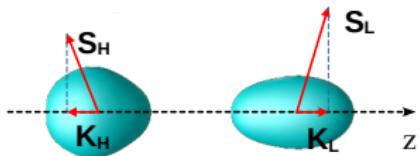


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$$|c_{S_H, K_H, S_L, K_L}|^2 \propto e^{-\frac{S_H(S_H+1)}{2\sigma_H^2}} e^{-\frac{S_L(S_L+1)}{2\sigma_L^2}}.$$

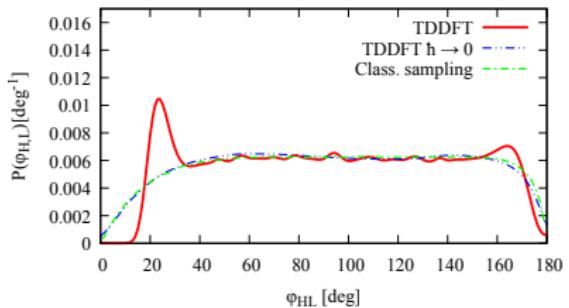


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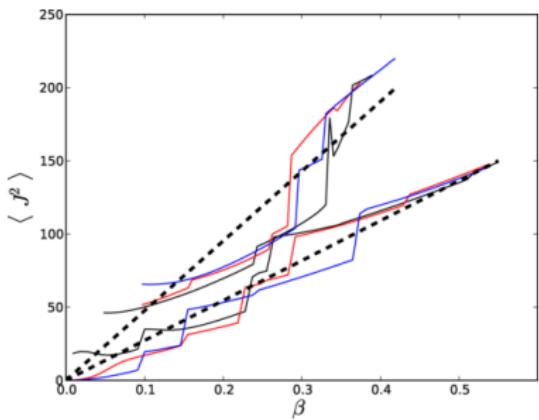
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TDDFT shows an intermediate case between 2D and 3D.

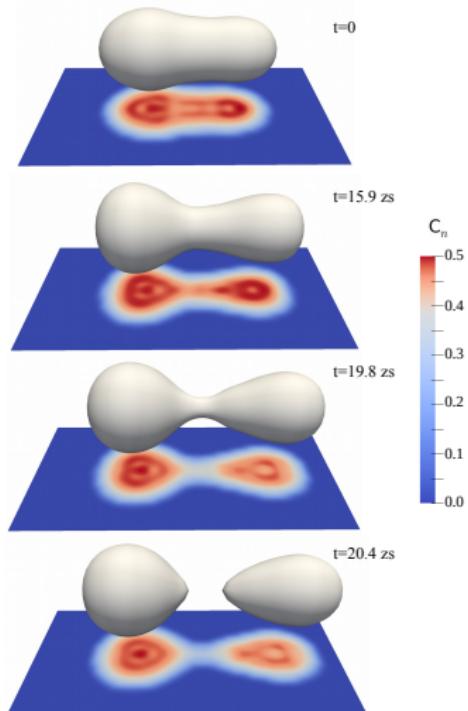
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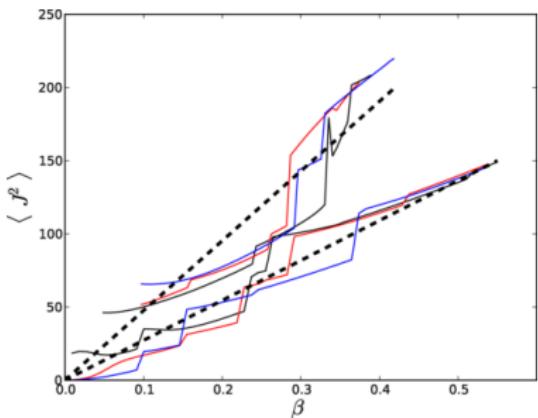
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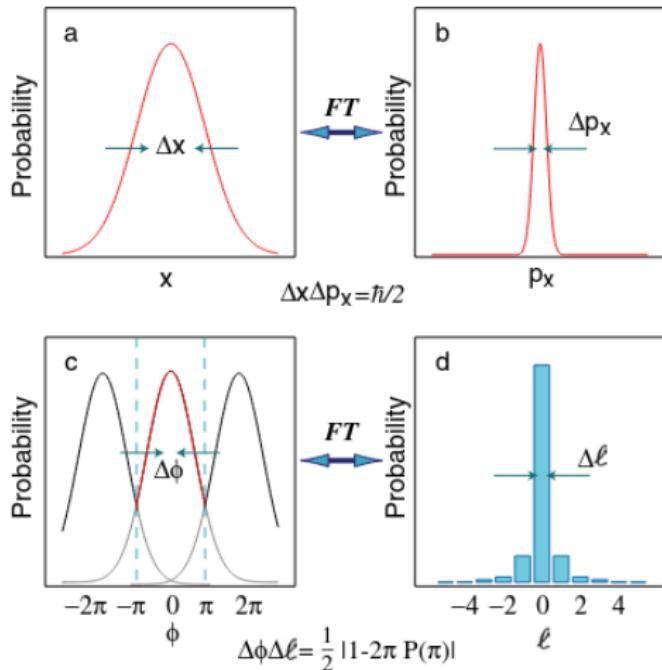
If the overlap is gaussian

$$\langle \Psi | \hat{R}(\theta) | \Psi \rangle = e^{-\frac{\theta^2}{2\sigma_\theta^2}}$$

The projection gives,

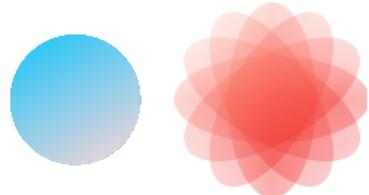
$$P(J) = \frac{2J+1}{2\sigma_J^2} e^{-\frac{J(J+1)}{2\sigma_J^2}}$$

with $\sigma_J \sigma_\theta = 1$

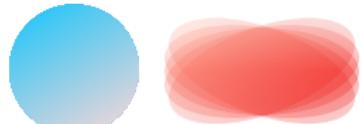


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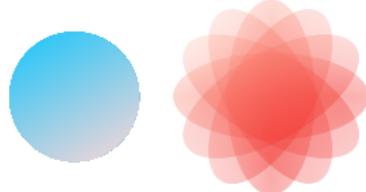
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Main points

- Internal excitation (breaking of pairs)
- Spins are mainly perpendicular to the fission axis
- Uncorrelated magnitude and orientation of the spins

Outlook

- TD-GCM with rotated fragments
- Rotated fission system

Thank you

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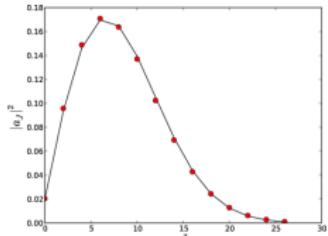
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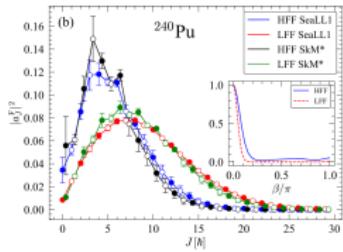
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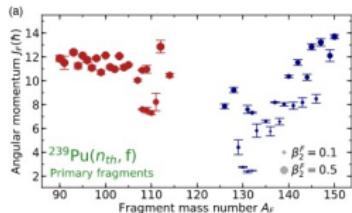
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Scission configuration



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Projection method

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$$|a_J^F|^2 = \frac{2J+1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin(\beta) P_J(\cos(\beta)) \langle \Psi | e^{-\frac{i j_X^F \beta}{\hbar}} | \Psi \rangle$$

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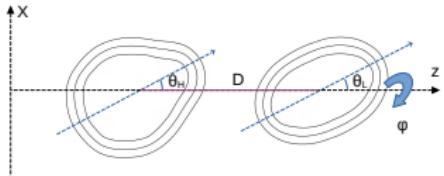
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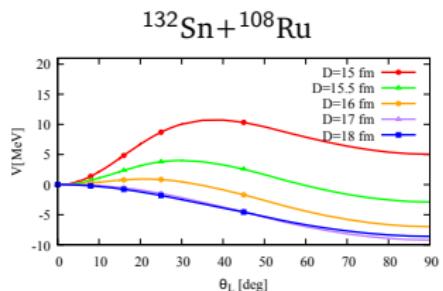
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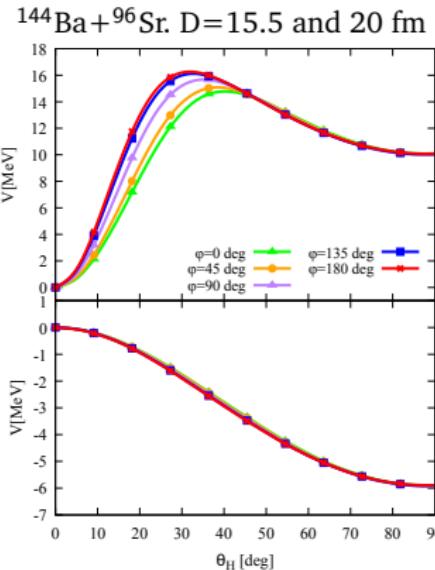
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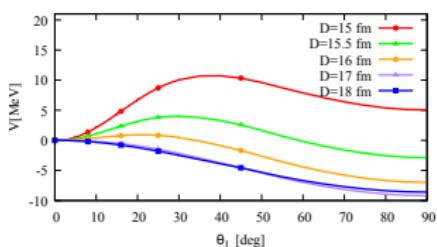
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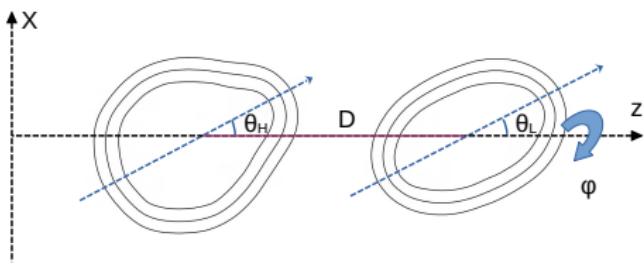


The azimuthal angle doesn't have an important role.

Frozen Hartree-Fock potential



4 degrees of freedom



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Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H}(D) = \frac{\hbar^2}{2I_H} \hat{L}_H^2 + \frac{\hbar^2}{2I_L} \hat{L}_L^2 + \frac{\hbar^2}{2I_\Lambda(D)} \hat{\Lambda}^2 + \hat{V}(\hat{\Theta}_H, \hat{\Theta}_L, \hat{\varphi}, D)$$

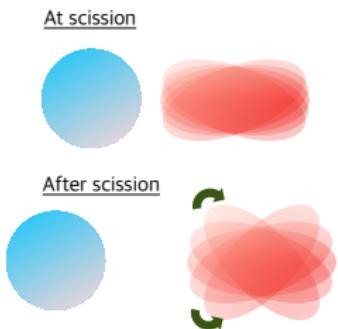
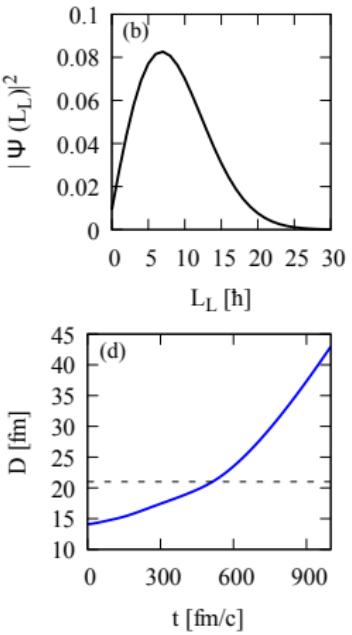
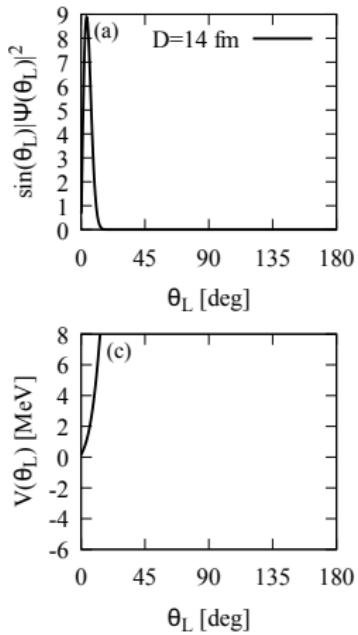
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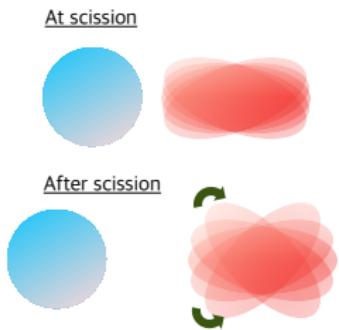
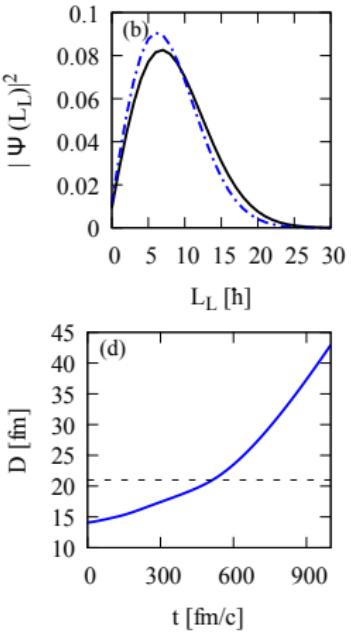
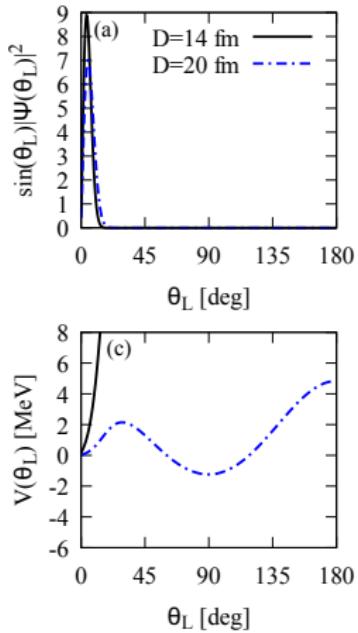
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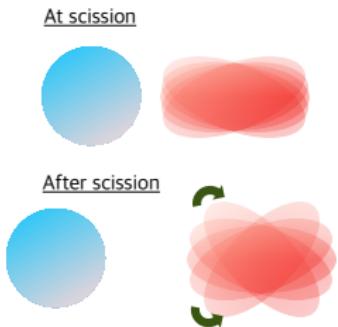
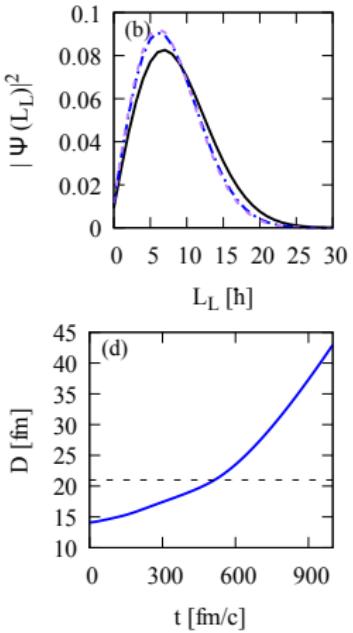
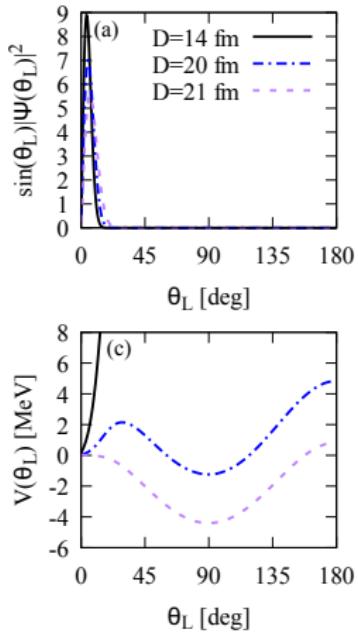
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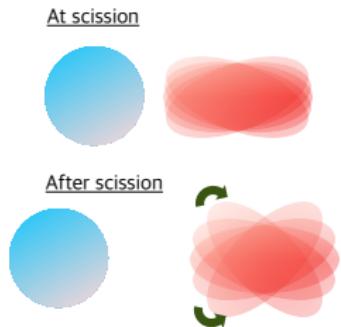
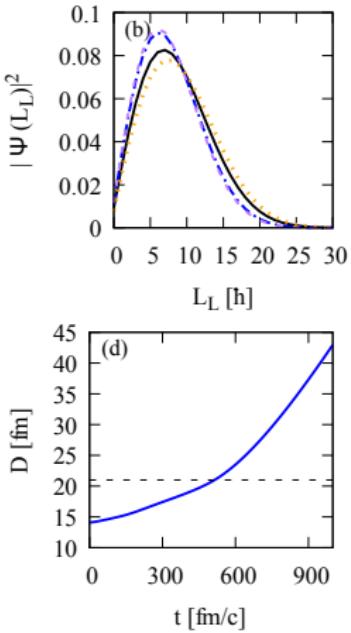
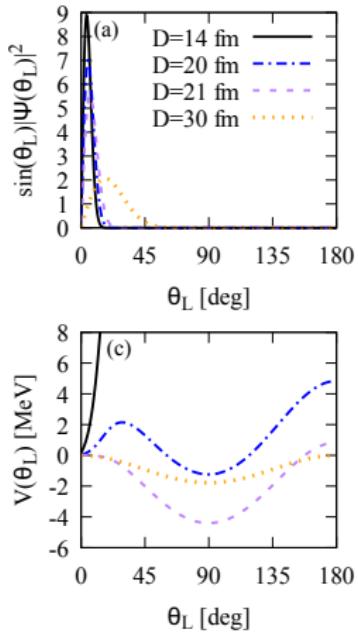
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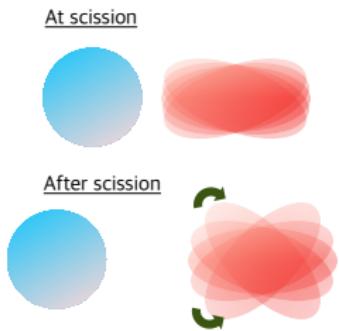
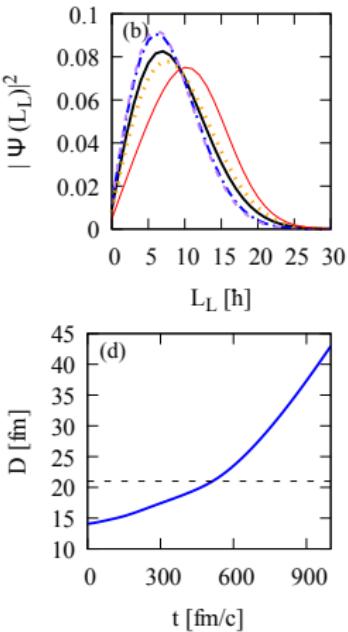
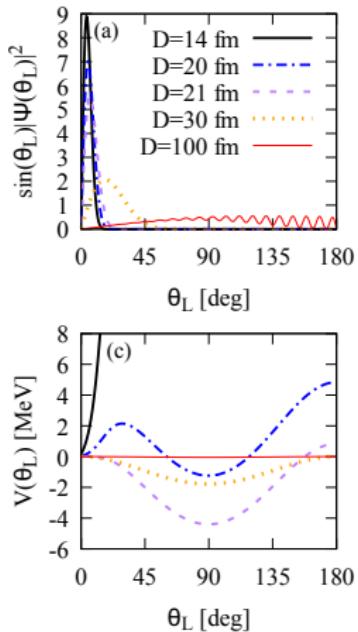
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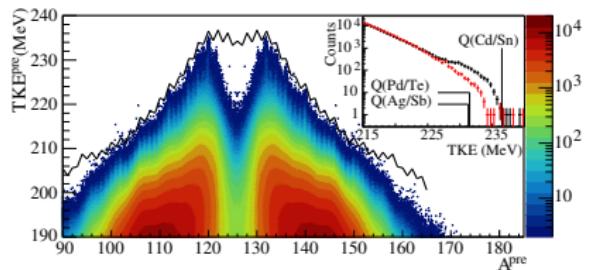
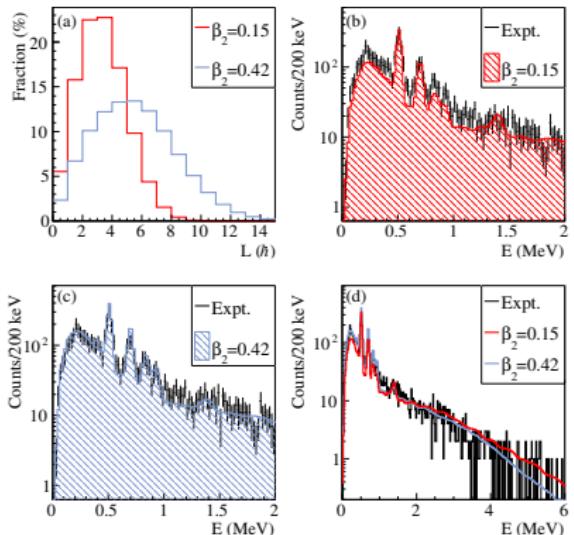
Effect of quadrupole deformation >> effect of $Z_1 Z_2$

TABLE II. Average spin $\langle L^2 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}}$ in unit of \hbar for the three fission fragments at scission ($D = 21$ fm) and at large distances. The last two columns show the same quantity with an MOI divided by 2.

Nucleus	Scission	Final	Scission ($I_{\frac{1}{2}}$)	Final ($I_{\frac{1}{2}}$)
¹⁰⁸ Ru	9.28	12.31	7.24	10.38
¹⁴⁴ Ba	10.04	10.95	7.70	8.66
⁹⁶ Sr	7.74	9.30	6.03	7.62

also J. Randrup, PRC 108, 064606 (2023) : increase of 1 to 3 \hbar due to the Coulomb torque.

Cold fission selection TXE<8MeV

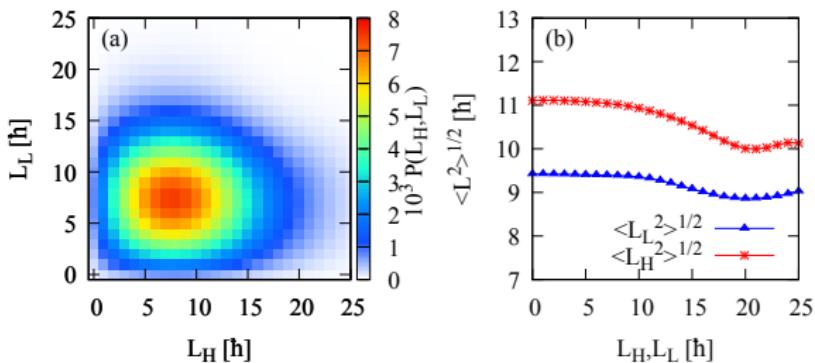
 γ -spectrum

Results

- ^{132}Sn is found in ground-state
- The collective Hamiltonian model with $\beta_2=0.42$ reproduces the experimental γ -spectrum

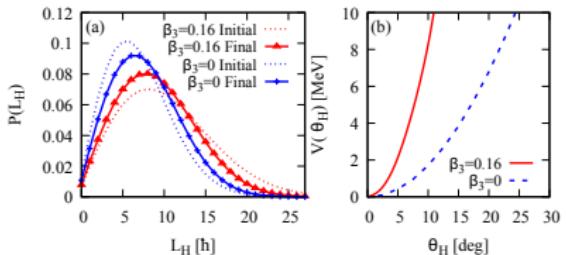
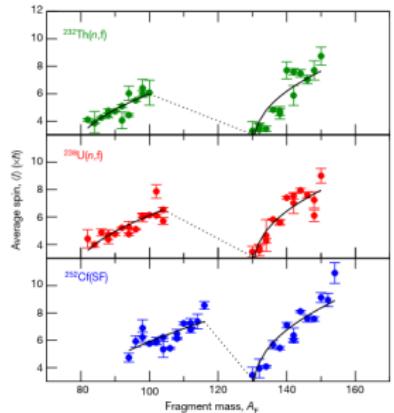
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Correlation between the angular momentum

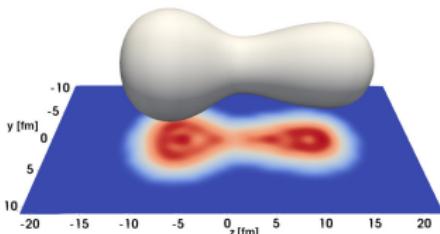


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- No or small correlation observed in the magnitude of the angular momentum.
- More angular momentum for the heavy fragment

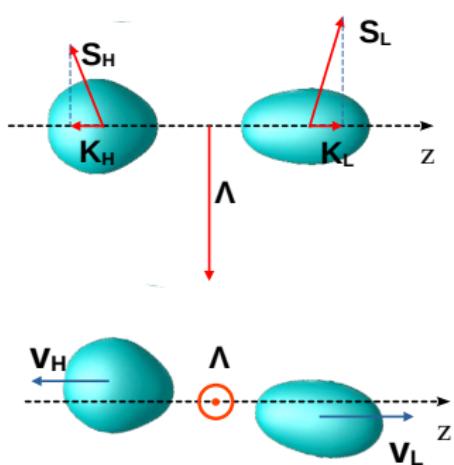


Mechanism



- Pear-shaped deformation plays an important role at scission. G. Scamps C. Simenel, Nature 564, pages 382–385 (2018)
- Octupole deformation makes the angular potential stiffer which increase the zero-point motion → more angular momentum

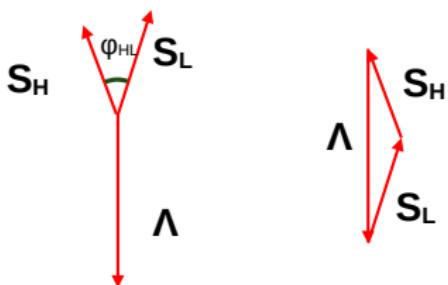
Orbital angular momemtum



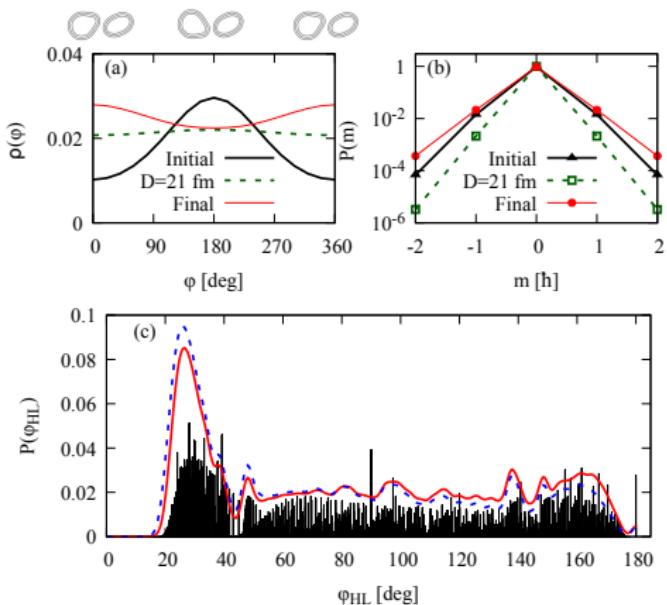
In spontaneous fission of a 0^+ state

$$S_H + S_L + \Lambda = 0,$$

Triangular rule :



$$\cos(\varphi_{HL}) = \left(\frac{\Lambda(\Lambda+1) - S_H(S_H+1) - S_L(S_L+1)}{2\sqrt{S_H(S_H+1)S_L(S_L+1)}} \right)$$



Geometry

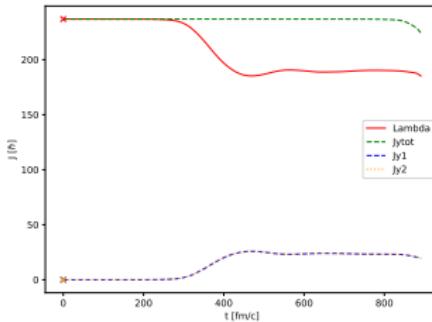
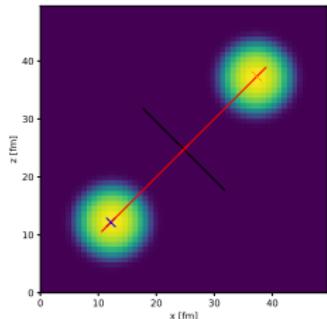
- Small azimuthal correlation
- Spins are perpendicular to the fission axis
- Complex pattern in the opening angle, different from previous model

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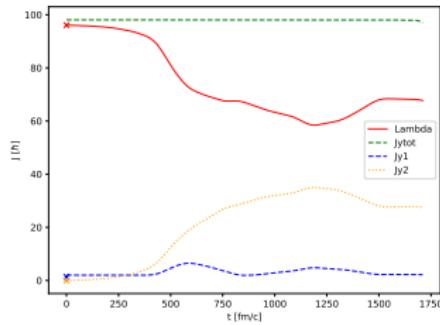
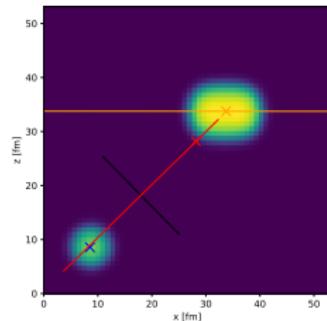
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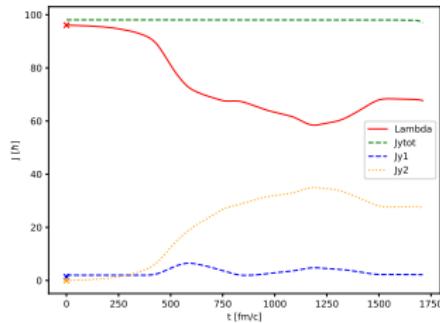
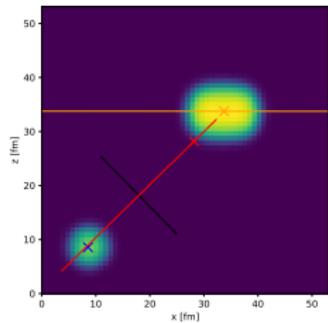


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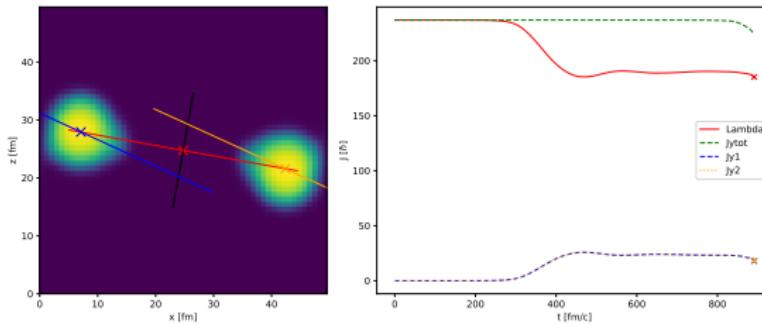
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