

From laboratory observables to intrinsic shapes (or stay in the lab?)

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1. The B(E2) sum rule
2. Alhassid's AFMC model
3. Working with moments
3. Can we use lab frame moments directly?

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Sum Rules

An alternative version of criterion (2) is that the transition exhausts at least a fair fraction (say $\gtrsim 5$ per cent) of a sum rule. There are two sum rules that are relevant; in obvious notations, these are

$$\sum_n |\langle n | Q_{TL0} | 0 \rangle|^2 = \langle 0 | (Q_{TL0})^2 | 0 \rangle \equiv S_{\text{NEW}}^{\text{TL}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_n (E_n - E_0) |\langle n | Q_{TL0} | 0 \rangle|^2 \\ = \frac{1}{2} \langle 0 | [Q_{TL0}, [H, Q_{TL0}]] | 0 \rangle \equiv S_{\text{EW}}^{\text{TL}} \end{aligned}$$

We call these the non-energy-weighted (NEW) and energy-weighted (EW) sum rules. The only sum that can be evaluated exactly (i.e., without reference to a model) is the EWS^{1,2} for $T = 0$:

$$S_{\text{EW}}^{0L} = \frac{\hbar^2 A}{8\pi M} L(2L+1) \langle r^{2L-2} \rangle$$

The only assumption is that H contains no explicitly velocity-dependent forces (exchange forces are permitted). Strictly, this value is

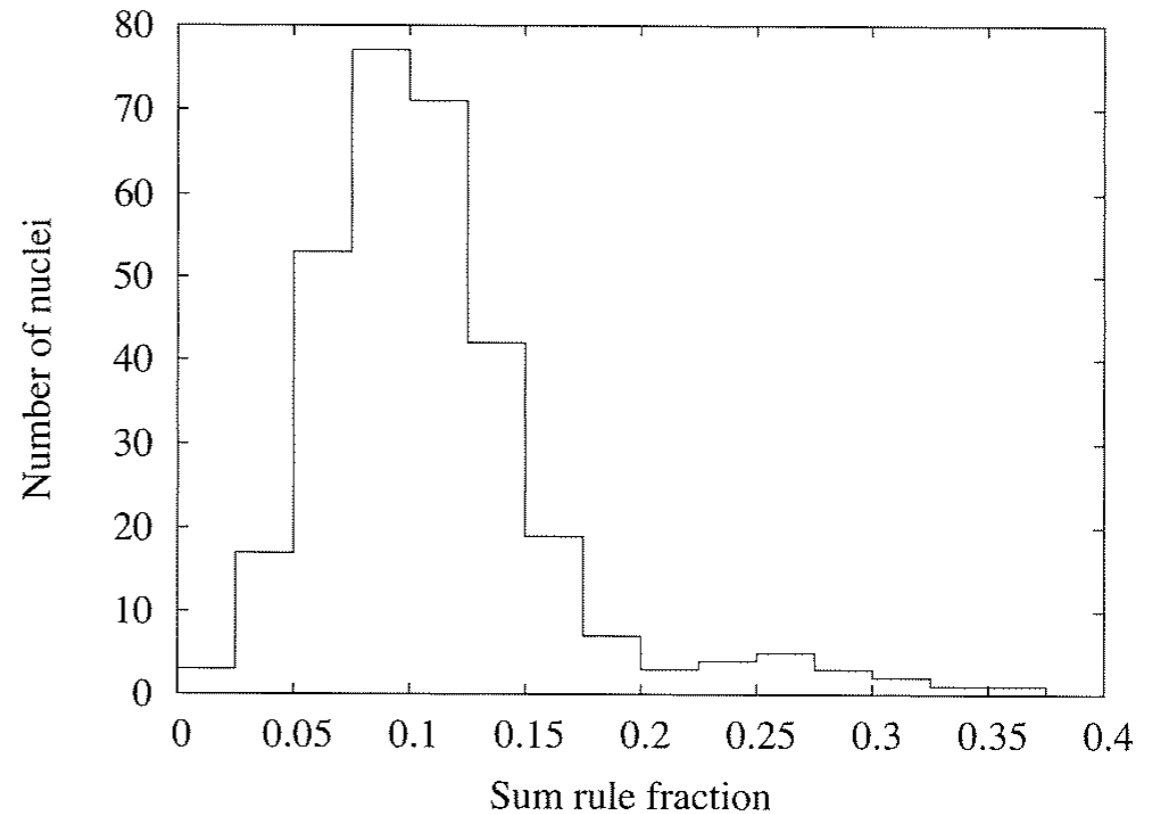
$$S = \sum_i (E_i - E_0) |\langle i | r^2 Y_{20}(\theta) | 0 \rangle|^2 \approx \frac{3\hbar^2}{4\pi m_N} A (1.2 \text{ fm } A^{1/3})^2$$

Most of sum rule is in the giant quadrupole resonance

$$E_{GQ} \approx \frac{60}{A^{1/3}} \text{ MeV}$$

²³⁸U sum rule fraction in rotational band 0.058

Relative strengths: $\frac{0.054}{0.946} \frac{10 \text{ MeV}}{45 \text{ keV}} \approx 13$



How does that affect the extracted beta?

$$\beta_{GQ}^2 = \frac{1 - S_1/S}{E_{GQ}} \frac{E_1}{S_1/S} \beta_1^2$$

$$\beta_+ = (\beta_1^2 + \beta_{GQ}^2)^{1/2}$$

Nucleus	E_1 (MeV) ^{a)}	S_1/S ^{a)}	β_1 ^{a)}	β_{GQ}	β_+
²³⁸ U	0.045	0.058	0.286	0.079	0.295
⁹⁶ Ru	0.832	0.089	0.158	0.127	0.203

a) Raman, et al. ADNDT 78 1 (2001)

Significant for ⁹⁶Ru but not for ²³⁸U

The auxiliary-field Monte Carlo (AFMC) calculational framework

- one-body + two-body Hamiltonian
- spherical shell-model basis of a full major shell for p,n
- Woods-Saxon single-particle potential
- separable residual interaction
- delivers by MC the full many-body wave function
- delivers MC expectation values of one-body operators
- and their exponentials $\langle \exp(i\hat{O}) \rangle$

To calculate instantaneous lab-frame quadrupole distribution:

$$P(q) = \langle \delta(\hat{Q}_{20} - q) \rangle = \int \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} e^{-i\phi q} \langle \exp(i\phi \hat{Q}_{20}) \rangle \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dq P(q) = 1$$

Simple example: lab-frame quadrupole moment of a prolate rigid rotor:

$$P(q) = \frac{1}{q_0(3 + 6q/q_0)^{1/2}} \quad \text{for } -q_0/2 < q < q_0$$

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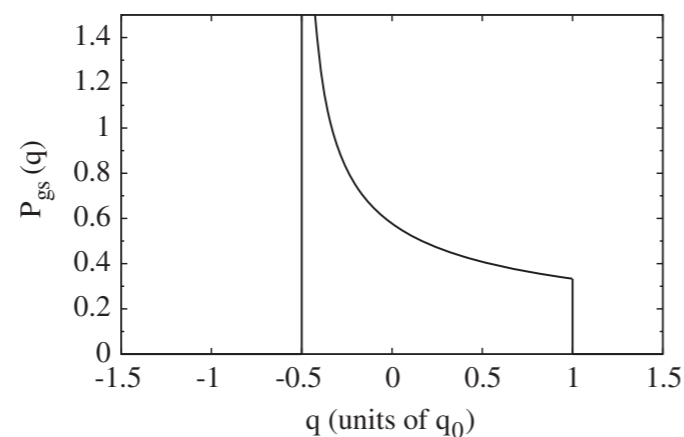
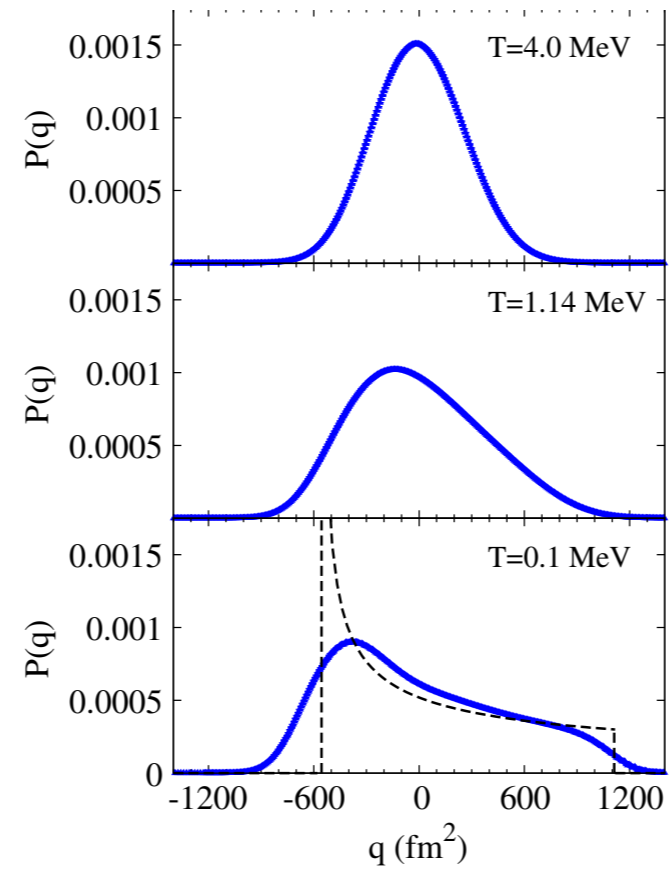


FIG. 1. The ground-state distribution $P_{\text{gs}}(q)$ vs q/q_0 for a prolate rotor with intrinsic quadrupole moment q_0 .

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Results for ^{154}Sm



Blue lines: $P(q)$ in AFMC
Dash line: $P(q)$ for a rigid rotot in its ground state.

Transformation to Intrinsic frame

Shape parameters are defined by the invariants

$$\beta = \frac{\sqrt{5\pi}}{3r_0^2 A^{5/3}} \langle \hat{Q} \cdot \hat{Q} \rangle^{1/2}; \quad \cos 3\gamma = -\sqrt{\frac{7}{2}} \frac{\langle (\hat{Q} \times \hat{Q}) \cdot \hat{Q} \rangle}{\langle \hat{Q} \cdot \hat{Q} \rangle^{3/2}}. \quad (41)$$

A fourth-order invariant can be used to define $\Delta\beta$

The invariants are related to powers of the operator

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \hat{Q} \cdot \hat{Q} \rangle &= 5 \langle \hat{Q}_{20}^2 \rangle, \\ \langle (\hat{Q} \times \hat{Q})^{(2)} \cdot \hat{Q} \rangle &= -5 \sqrt{\frac{7}{2}} \langle \hat{Q}_{20}^3 \rangle, \\ \langle (\hat{Q} \cdot \hat{Q})^2 \rangle &= \frac{35}{3} \langle \hat{Q}_{20}^4 \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

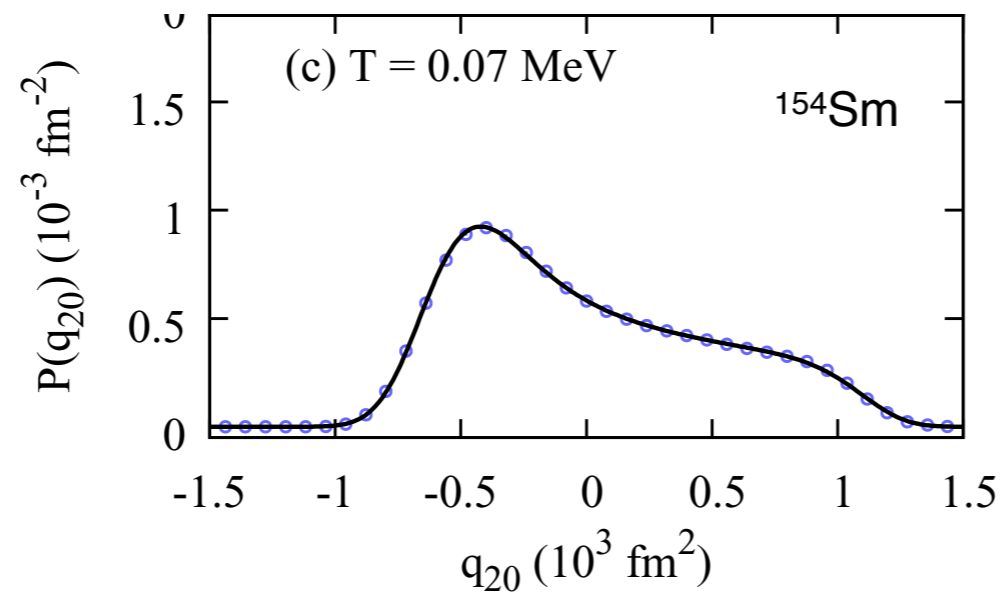
Powers of the operator are extracted from the distribution function

$$\langle \hat{Q}_{20}^n \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dq q^n P(q)$$

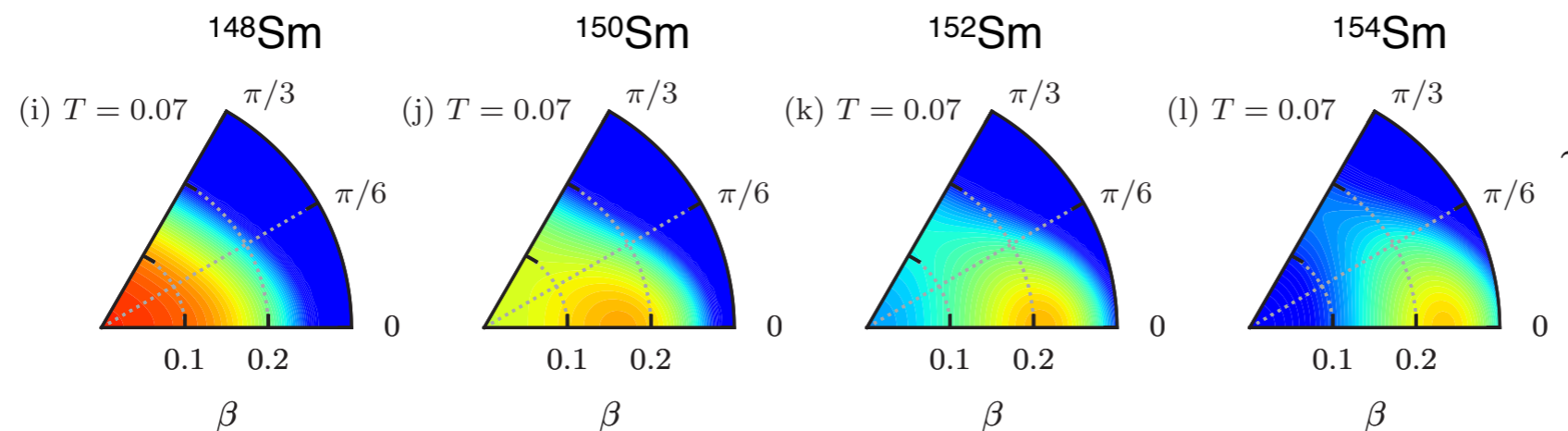
There is a better way to parameterize the fluctuating shape [3].

$$P(\beta, \gamma) = K \exp(-a\beta^2 - b\beta^3 \cos(3\gamma) - c\beta^4)$$

to be used with the integration measure $\int d\beta d\gamma \beta^4 |\sin(3\gamma)|$



Solid line: the distribution $P(q)$ calculated from $P(\beta, \gamma)$ above.
Circles: $P(q)$ from AFMC



Now here 's a question: would it be better to calculate the distribution of the pair of operators

$$(\hat{Q}_{2,2} + \hat{Q}_{2,-2}), \quad i(\hat{Q}_{2,2} - \hat{Q}_{2,-2})$$

These operators directly measure the v_2 components of the thickness function

$$r_{\perp}^2 \cos(2\phi), \quad r_{\perp}^2 \sin(2\phi)$$

avoiding the intrinsic shape entirely.