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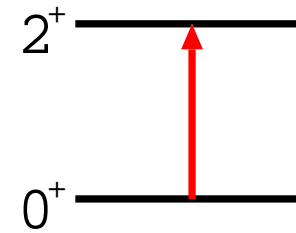
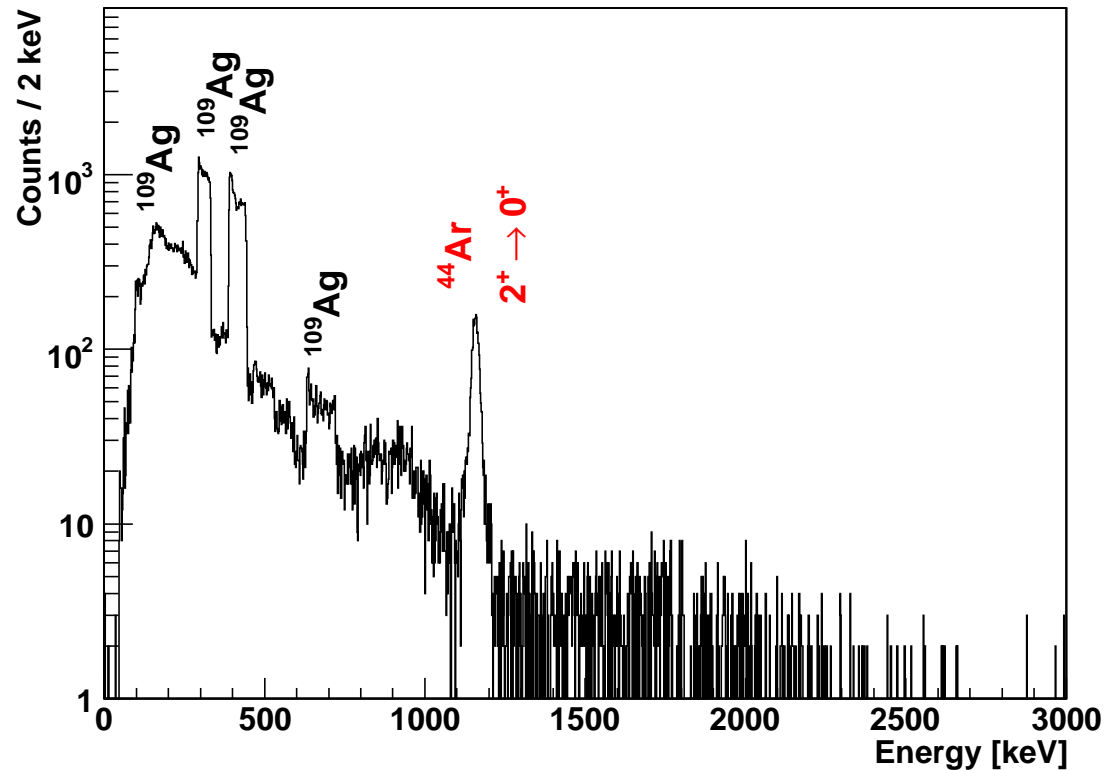
# Determination of nuclear static moments using post-accelerated exotic beams: Coulomb excitation of neutron-rich $^{44}\text{Ar}$ at SPIRAL

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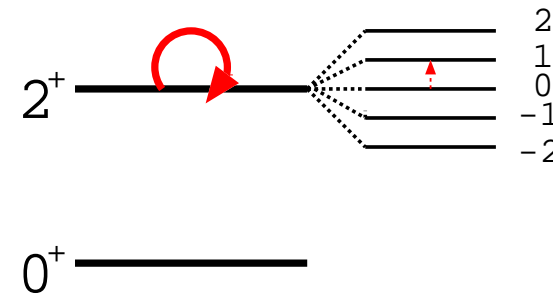
# B(E2)'s in radioactive nuclei measured with Coulex

- usually only  $2^+ \rightarrow 0^+$  transition visible
- normalisation to target excitation needed



$$\langle 2^+ || E2 || 0^+ \rangle^2$$

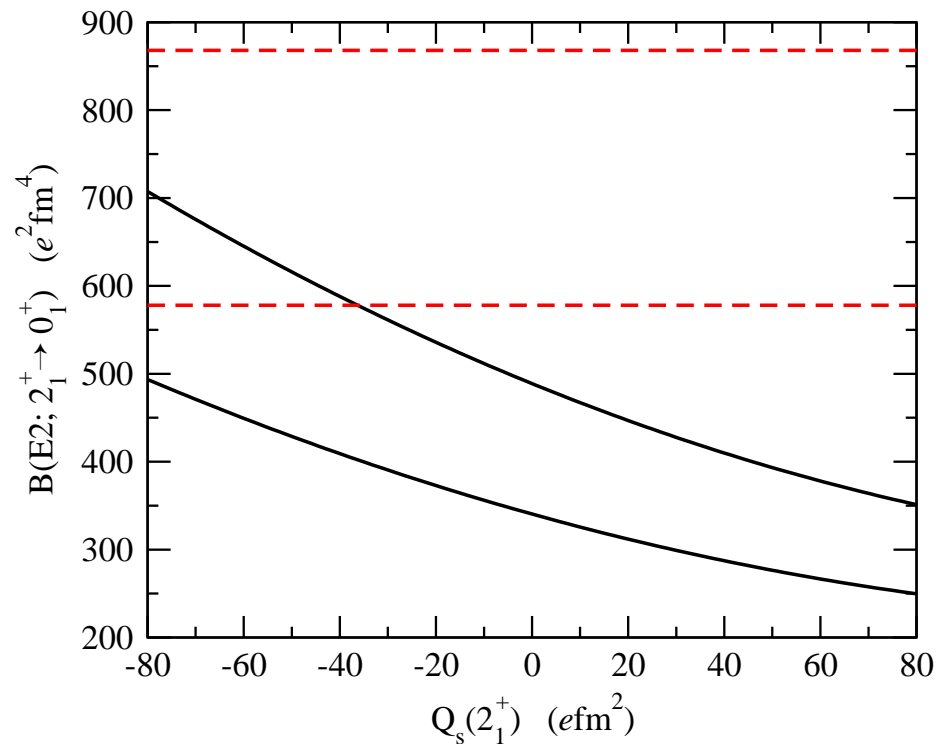
$$\sim B(E2; 2^+ \rightarrow 0^+)$$



$$\langle 2^+ || E2 || 2^+ \rangle \sim Q_0$$

- Coulex cross-section depends **both** on the  $B(E2; 2_1^+ \rightarrow 0^+)$  and the quadrupole moment!

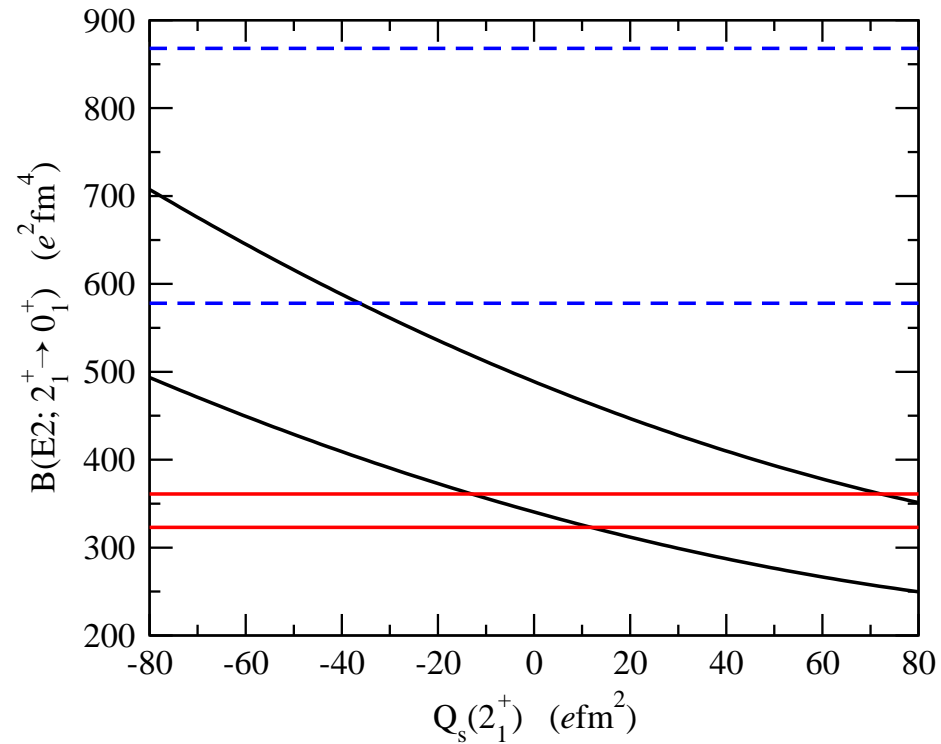
# Measurement of the quadrupole moment in $^{70}\text{Se}$



A.M. Hurst *et al.*,  
Phys. Rev. Lett. 98, 072501 (2007)

- Measurement of the Coulex yield
- Lifetime known from an earlier RDM experiment
- Negative quadrupole moment deduced

# Measurement of the quadrupole moment in $^{70}\text{Se}$

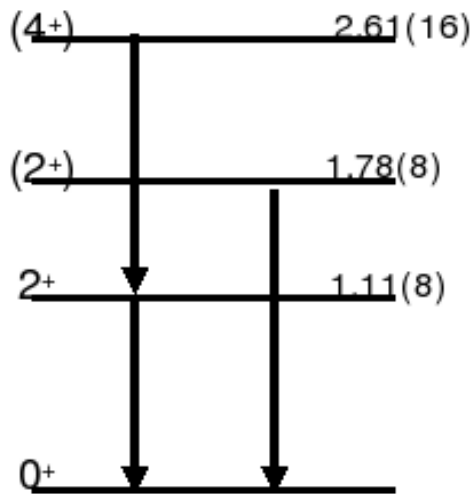


J. Ljungvall *et al.*,  
Phys. Rev. Lett. 100, 102502 (2008)

- New, more precise lifetime measurement
- Positive quadrupole moment favoured

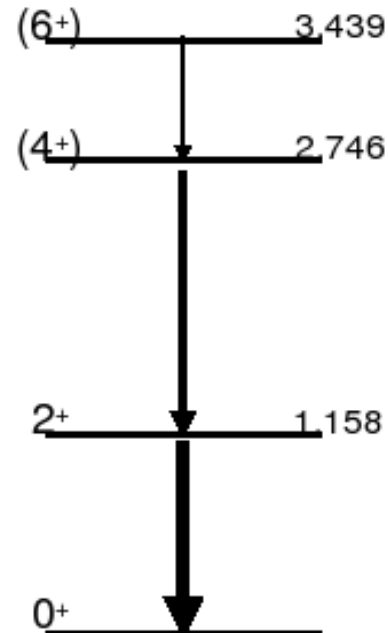
# Spectroscopic data on $^{44}\text{Ar}$

double fragmentation



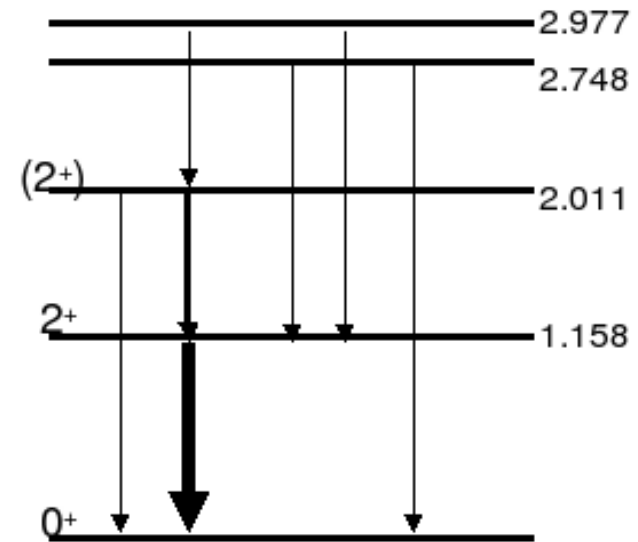
S. Wan et al.,  
EPJA 6, 167 (1999)

deep inelastic



B. Fornal et al.,  
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beta decay

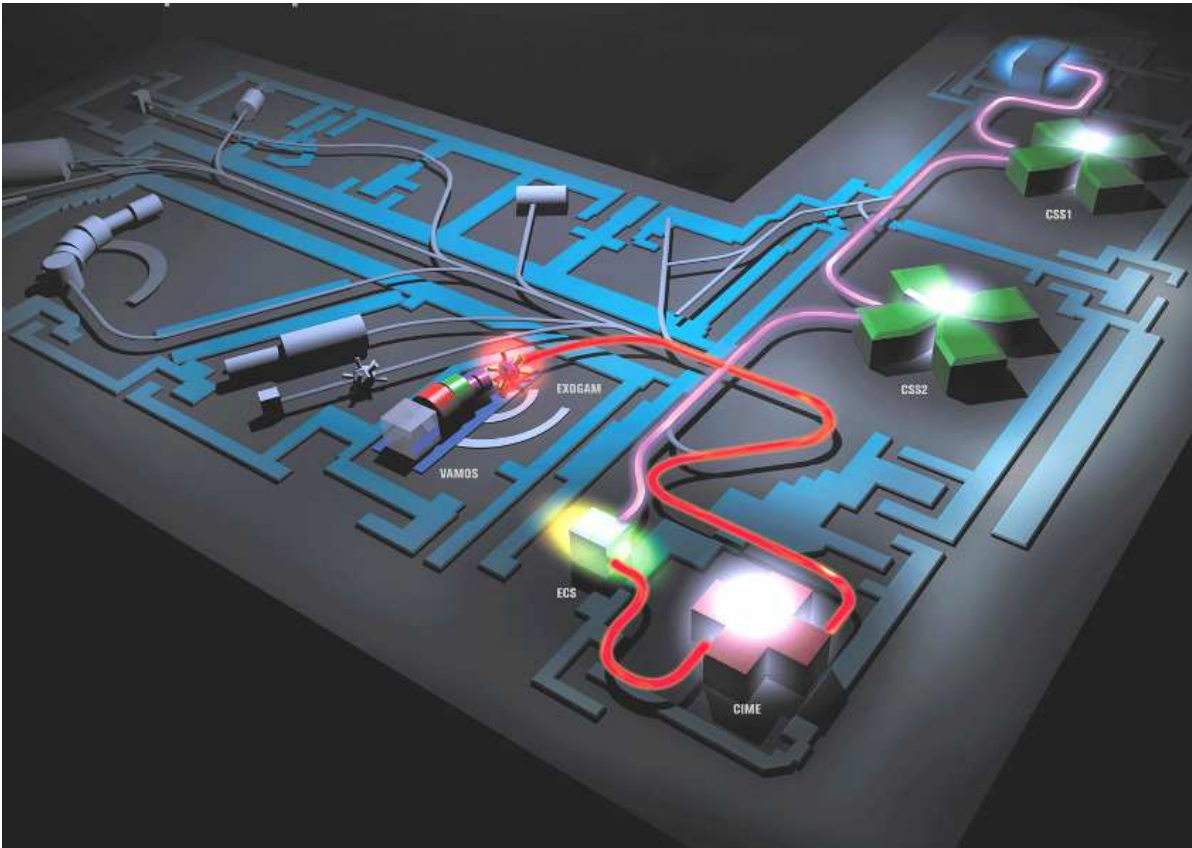


J. Mrazek et al.,  
Nucl. Phys. A 734, E65 (2004)

- $B(E2; 2^+ \rightarrow 0^+) = 345 (41) e^2\text{fm}^4$

intermediate energy Coulex, Scheit et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 77, 3967 (1996)

## Beams and targets

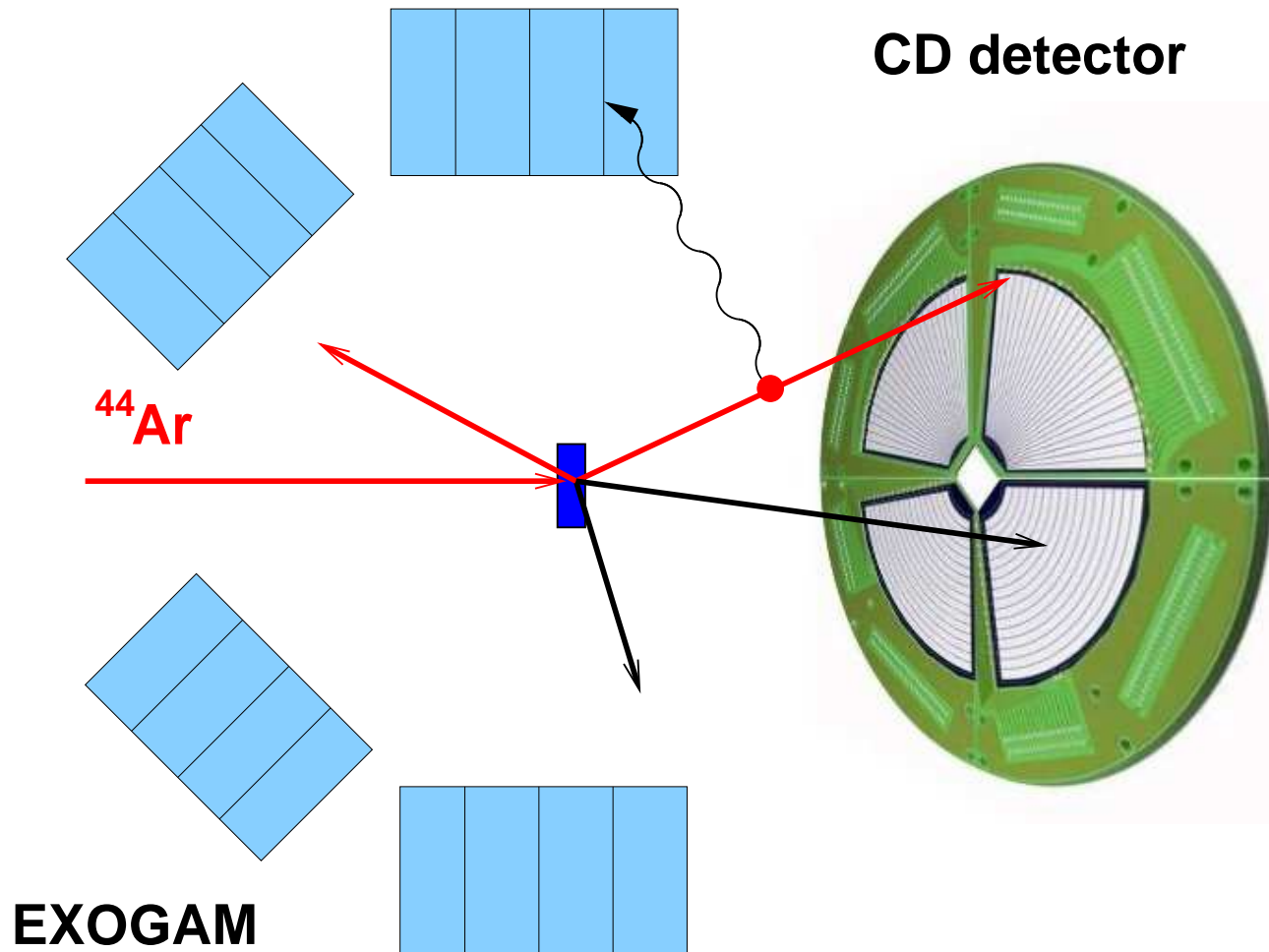


- Primary beam:  $^{48}\text{Ca}$   
60 MeV/A,  
 $3.5 \mu\text{A}$  (nearly 600W)

- Secondary beam:  $^{44}\text{Ar}$

Beam energy	Beam intensity	Target	Target thickness	Duration
3.68 MeV/A	$2.4 \cdot 10^5$ pps	$^{208}\text{Pb}$	1 mg/cm <sup>2</sup>	13 UT
2.68 MeV/A	$2.0 \cdot 10^5$ pps	$^{109}\text{Ag}$	0.9 mg/cm <sup>2</sup>	8 UT

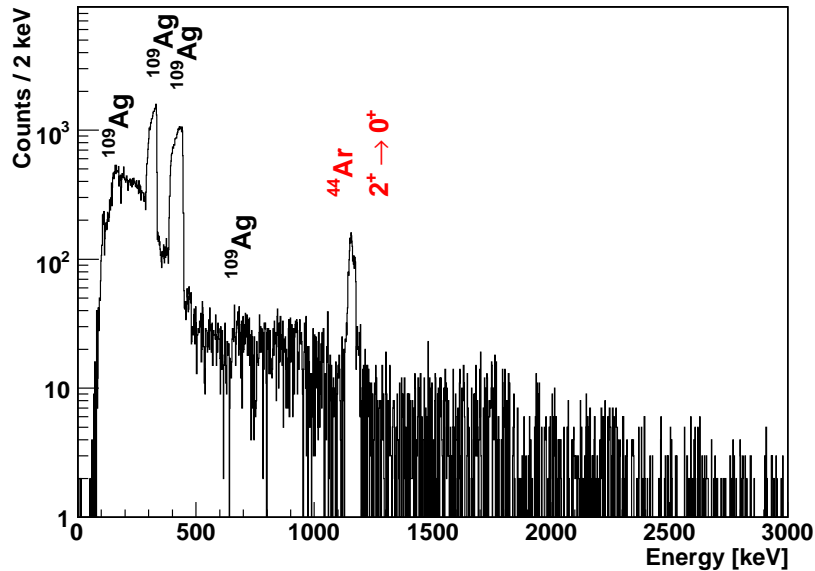
## Experimental setup



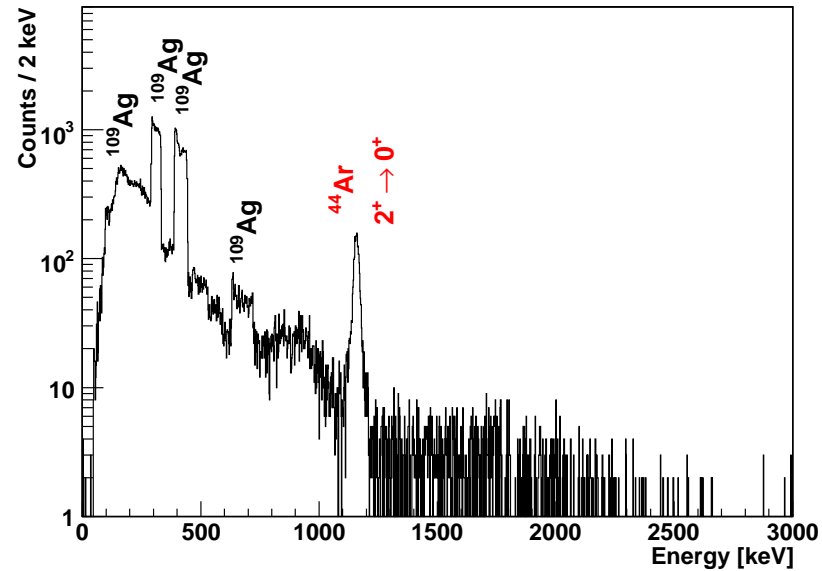
- 10 segmented clovers in EXOGAM
- highly segmented particle detector: 96 strips, 16 rings

# Results from the $^{109}\text{Ag}$ target

$^{109}\text{Ag}$  target, projectile detected



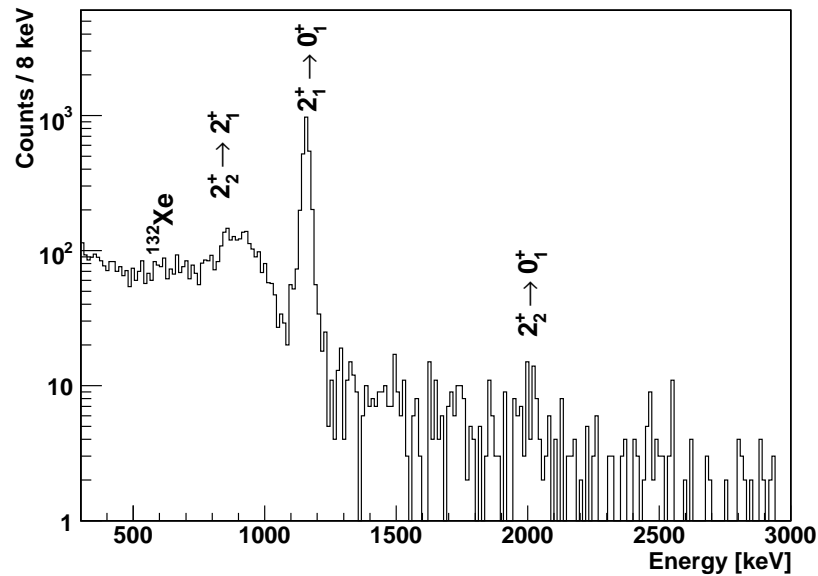
recoil detected



- statistics sufficient to subdivide the data into several angular ranges:
  - $\sim 4300$  counts in the  $2_1^+ \rightarrow 0^+$  line (1158 keV)
  - $\sim 50$  counts in the  $2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+$  line (852 keV)
  - for normalization: more than 50 000 counts in 310 keV and 415 keV lines in  $^{109}\text{Ag}$

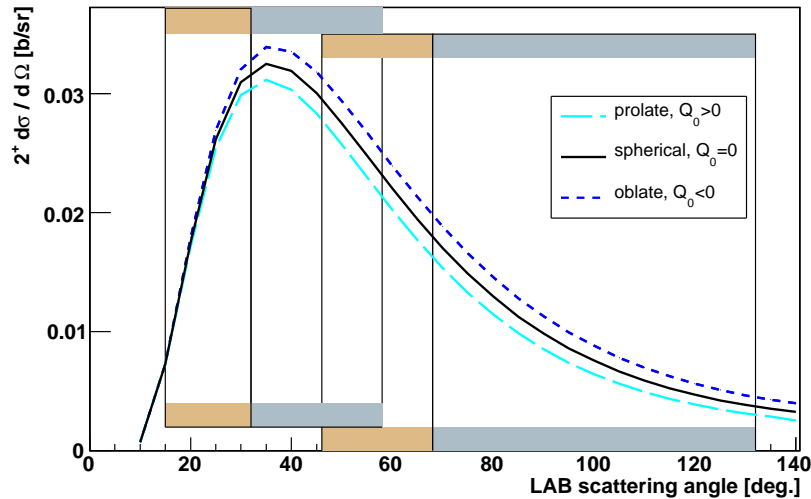
# Limitations of GOSIA2

$^{208}\text{Pb}$  target, recoil detected



- data collected on two different targets
- at least four matrix elements needed to describe the excitation process: how to calculate their uncertainties?

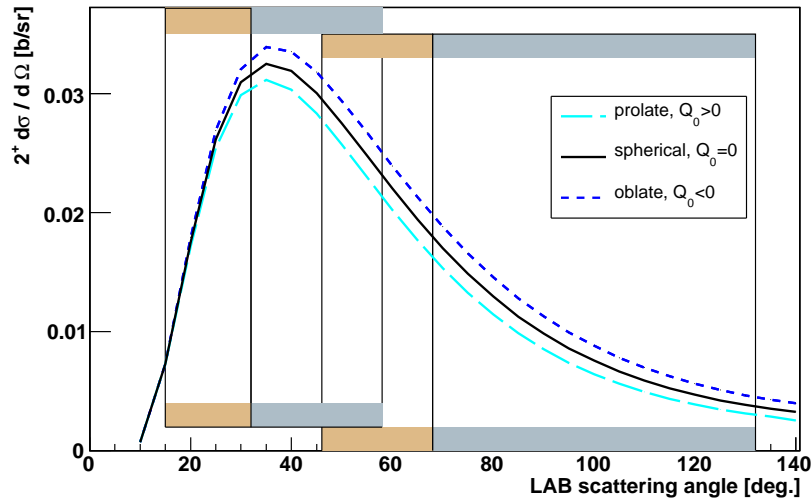
## Extraction of E2 matrix elements



- lowest angular range – influence of quadrupole moment negligible → determination of  $B(E2; 2_1^+ \rightarrow 0^+)$

- information from other bins + data collected on Pb target → determination of quadrupole moment of the  $2_1^+$  state and other  $B(E2)$ 's using standard GOSIA code
- relative normalization of the bins based on target excitation

## Extraction of E2 matrix elements



- several methods of data subdivision tested (3, 4, 6, 7, 8 bins)

- compromise between level of statistics in an individual experiment and number of  $\gamma$ -ray yields corresponding to different ranges of the scattering angle
- obtained values of the quadrupole moment consistent
- accuracy varies from 35 % to 70 %

## Results

- $B(E2; 2_1^+ \rightarrow 0^+)$  in agreement with the result from intermediate energy Coulex ( $345 (41) e^2\text{fm}^4$ )
- **quadrupole moment** of the  $2_1^+$  state measured with precision of 35%
- $B(E2)$ 's for transitions deexciting  $2_2^+$  state measured for the first time

- $\beta$  deformation: nearly 0.3

- diagonal matrix element – 50% of the rotational value  
→ triaxiality ?

- test case for JACOB code - implementation of genetic algorithm to Coulex data analysis (D. Pietak, presented at EURONS Town Meeting in Helsinki)

