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**NUCLEAR SOFTNESS IN THE VARIABLE MOMENT OF INERTIA MODEL  
AND ITS APPLICATION TO SUPERDEFORMED BANDS  
IN THE MASS REGION  $A \approx 60 - 90$**

For superdeformed (SD) bands  $^{58}\text{Ni}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{58}\text{Cu}$ ,  $^{59}\text{Cu}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{61}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{62}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{65}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{68}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{84}\text{Zr}$ ,  $^{86}\text{Zr}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{88}\text{Mo}$  ( $b_1, b_2, b_3$ ) and  $^{89}\text{Tc}$  in the  $A \approx 60 - 90$  mass region, the nuclear softness (NS) parameter,  $\sigma$ , has been calculated using the VMINS3 model. The SD bands  $^{58}\text{Ni}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{58}\text{Cu}$ ,  $^{59}\text{Cu}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{62}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{65}\text{Zn}$ , and  $^{88}\text{Mo}$  ( $b_2, b_3$ ) have NS parameter values that are greater than those of the normal deformed bands, indicating smaller rigidity. The fluctuation of the NS parameter versus the gamma energy ratio,  $R$ , of SD bands in the  $A \approx 60 - 90$  mass region is one of the study's findings. The ratio of transition energies was used to calculate the band head spin,  $I_0$ , by the Descartes method (the greatest technique to solve the quartic equation based on an auxiliary cubic equation) which was then confirmed by root mean square deviations. The estimated and observed transition energies are in good agreement.

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### 1. Introduction

Due to the small number of particles found in nuclei with  $A \approx 60 - 90$ , and the fact that they have the lightest masses and thus the greatest rotational frequencies, the superdeformed (SD) mass region  $A \approx 60 - 90$  is of special interest [1]. Furthermore, inadequate theoretical study has been done on these SD nuclei. Most of the SD bands in this mass region behave similarly in terms of their dynamic moment of inertia and rotational frequency i.e., they exhibit a smooth decrease as frequency increases. Sadly, the only publicly available spectroscopic information for the SD bands is gamma energies. The spin value of the rotational bands can only be calculated theoretically because there are insufficient experimental data on them due to non-observation of the discrete linking transitions between the SD states and the low-lying states at normal deformation (ND). Different techniques have been used to assign spins to SD states. The states in SD bands are given a spin using both direct and indirect methods in these schemes [2 - 4]. The nuclear softness (NS) model [5] and the variable moment of inertia (VMI) model [6, 7] both have a particular application and while both are successful in explaining certain phenomena, they fall short in explaining others. Therefore, it made sense to think of each of these models as complementing the others in a single model known as the VMINS3 model, which unifies the two models. According to this model, the nucleus consists of an outer valence nucleon in unfilled shells around a hard core of nucleons. In addition to the successes of each of the

two models, this model (VMINS3) has succeeded in formulating an equation to calculate the rotational energy levels to the  $A \approx 60 - 90$  nuclei, where the energy levels of deformed nuclei are very complicated because there is frequently coupling between the various modes of excitation, but nonetheless some predictions of the VMINS3 model are confirmed experimentally. The VMINS3 model's most significant accomplishments include a description of the NS parameter as a function of super-deformed band angular momentum, transition energy (the only spectroscopic information universally available), and band head spin. Section 2 of this research, which is set up as follows, covers the details of the VMINS3 model. The findings and discussion are presented in Section 3. The final Section of the paper presents the conclusions.

### 2. Mathematical model

The VMINS3 model gives the following energy expression as the consequence of combining the VMI model with the NS model:

$$E_I = \frac{AI(I+1)}{1+\sigma I} + BI^2. \quad (1)$$

In this case,  $A = \frac{1}{2\mathcal{I}_0}$  and  $B = \frac{C\mathcal{I}_0^2\sigma^2}{2}$ . Therefore, these parameters included the NS parameter,  $\sigma$ , the stretching constant,  $C$ , and the ground state moment of inertia,  $\mathcal{I}_0$ . The NS parameter,  $\sigma$ , is an extra vari-

able  $\mathfrak{G}_I = \mathfrak{G}_0(1 + \sigma I)$ , as a first-order approximation) whereas the parameters,  $\mathfrak{G}_0$  and  $C$  are for the original VMI model.

The transition energy for SD bands is written as:

$$E_\gamma(I+2 \rightarrow I) = E(I+2) - E(I). \quad (2)$$

$$E_\gamma(I+2 \rightarrow I) = A \left[ \frac{2\sigma I^2 + (4+4\sigma)I + 6}{(1+2\sigma+\sigma I)(1+\sigma I)} \right] + B[4I+4]. \quad (3)$$

Similarity,

$$E_\gamma(I \rightarrow I-2) = A \left[ \frac{2\sigma I^2 + (4-4\sigma)I - 2}{(1-2\sigma+\sigma I)(1+\sigma I)} \right] + B[4I-4]. \quad (4)$$

Finally, we made it

$$\left. \begin{aligned} b_4 &= (32r-16)I^5 - (128r-64)I^4 + (448r+64)I^3 + (384r-256)I^2 \\ b_3 &= -(8r+8)I^5 + (200r-40)I^4 - (304r-176)I^3 - (64r-384)I^2 - 1088rI - 512 \\ b_2 &= -(24r+40)I^4 + (288r-72)I^3 - (200r+48)I^2 - (920r-192)I + 704r \\ b_1 &= -(16r-96)I^3 + (120r-16)I^2 + (8r+176)I - (408r+192) \\ b_0 &= 32r+48 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (7)$$

To make it simpler to write equations, we defined  $r$

$$r = \frac{(4I-4)E_\gamma(I+2 \rightarrow I) - (4I+4)E_\gamma(I \rightarrow I-2)}{(4I-12)E_\gamma(I+2 \rightarrow I) - (4I+4)E_\gamma(I-2 \rightarrow I-4)}. \quad (8)$$

Since the coefficients  $\mathfrak{G}_0$  and  $C$  are traits of each nucleus and are all positive, the solution of Eq. (6) produces four real roots. Therefore, the smaller value of  $\sigma$ , is favored since, as originally mentioned by Gupta et al. [8], a lower  $\sigma$ , represents a smaller correction to  $\mathfrak{G}_0$ . In order to do this, it is necessary that the discriminant of the cubic equation that results from using the Descartes method [9] to obtain band head spin by solving the quartic equation be always positive.

For a SD band cascade

$$I_0 + 2n \rightarrow I_0 + 2n - 2 \rightarrow \dots I_0 + 2 \rightarrow I_0, \quad (9)$$

The transition energies that were noticed are:  $E_\gamma(I_0 + 2n)$ ,  $E_\gamma(I_0 + 2n - 2)$ ,  $E_\gamma(I_0 + 2n - 4)$ , ...,

$$E_\gamma(I-2 \rightarrow I-4) =$$

$$= A \left[ \frac{2\sigma I^2 + (4-12\sigma)I + (16\sigma-10)}{(1-2\sigma+\sigma I)(1+\sigma(I-4))} \right] + B[4I-12]. \quad (5)$$

We have carefully worked out the results of the VMINS3 model using Eq. (2), following our procedure of solving the first three transition energy level equations for the three coefficients  $\sigma$ ,  $A$ , and  $B$ . In such an approach find the value of  $\sigma$ , as an intermediate step (by eliminating  $A$  and  $B$  from Eqs. (3), (4), and (5) for  $I+2$ ,  $I$ , and  $I-2$ ). One obtains a quartic equation in  $\sigma$ :

$$b_4\sigma^4 + b_3\sigma^3 + b_2\sigma^2 + b_1\sigma + b_0 = 0. \quad (6)$$

These are the formulas for the coefficients  $b_4$ ,  $b_3$ ,  $b_2$ ,  $b_1$  and  $b_0$  in this case, being known in terms of  $E_\gamma(I+2 \rightarrow I)$ ,  $E_\gamma(I \rightarrow I-2)$  and  $E_\gamma(I-2 \rightarrow I-4)$ :

$E_\gamma(I_0+4)$ ,  $E_\gamma(I_0+2)$ . Eq. (6) fits these transition energies, by using the same equation to fit the observed transition energies, the parameters  $\sigma$ ,  $A$ , and  $B$  values are determined. The ratio of transition energies may be used to calculate the band head spin as:

$$R(I) = \frac{E_\gamma(I+2 \rightarrow I)}{E_\gamma(I \rightarrow I-2)}. \quad (10)$$

One obtains a quartic equation in  $I_0$

$$h_4I_0^4 + h_3I_0^3 + h_2I_0^2 + h_1I_0 + h_0 = 0. \quad (11)$$

These are the formulas for the coefficients  $h_4$ ,  $h_3$ ,  $h_2$ ,  $h_1$  and  $h_0$  in this case, being known in terms of  $\sigma$  and  $R$ :

$$\left. \begin{aligned}
 h_4 &= 4B\sigma^3(R-1) \\
 h_3 &= 2\sigma^2(AR+6BR-A-2B)-16B\sigma^3 \\
 h_2 &= 2\sigma(3AR+6BR-A+2B)+4\sigma^2(17BR-5A-11B+3AR)+4B\sigma^3(28R-55) \\
 h_1 &= 4((A+B)(R+1))+2\sigma(13AR+18BR-9A+10B)+8\sigma^2(13BR+2AR-20B-8A)+16B\sigma^3(32+9R) \\
 h_0 &= 2(R(3A+2B)+(7A+6B))+2\sigma(A(13R-20)+12B(R+1))+16\sigma^2(3BR-12B-4A)
 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (12)$$

whose coefficients are functions of  $\sigma$ ,  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $R$ , solved by the Descartes method [9] and having four real roots. Descartes' rule of signs states that roots might be either positive real, negative real, or complex. For this, we must select the greatest  $|I_0|$  values. To confirm this choice, the root mean square (rms) deviations of the transition energies computed at various  $I_0$ -values were used to confirm the accuracy of the band head spin [10].

$$rms = \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left| \frac{E_{\gamma}^{cal}(I_i) - E_{\gamma}^{exp}(I_i)}{E_{\gamma}^{exp}(I_i)} \right|^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}. \quad (13)$$

Here  $N$  is the total number of fitting transitions.

### 3. Results and discussion

Since the bandhead energy and spin for the SD bands are often unknown, one might opt to fit the E2 transitions using Eq. (2). The parameters  $A$  and  $B$  may now be determined by fitting the E2 transitions for the SD cascades. One may then obtain the NS parameter,  $\sigma$ , by using Eq. (6) and relations in Eq. (7).

By applying the Eq. (6) and relations in Eq. (7) to the first three of the gamma energies of all the SD bands for  $^{58}\text{Ni}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{58}\text{Cu}$ ,  $^{59}\text{Cu}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{61}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{62}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{65}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{68}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{84}\text{Zr}$ ,  $^{86}\text{Zr}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{88}\text{Mo}$  ( $b_1$ ,  $b_2$ ,  $b_3$ ) and  $^{89}\text{Tc}$  nuclei in  $A \approx 60 - 90$  mass region, we were able to determine the NS parameter as given in Table 1. If complex roots are found, as in instance  $^{61}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{68}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{84}\text{Zr}$ ,  $^{86}\text{Zr}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{88}\text{Mo}$  ( $b_1$ ), and  $^{89}\text{Tc}$  this indicates that VMINS3 cannot be applied to the given nuclei, this is due to the fact that, as in the first and final cases, the cubic equation's root is negative, or as in the other cases, its discriminant is negative. According to Ref. [8], most of the NS parameter,  $\sigma$ , values are observed to lie in the range of  $31.4 \cdot 10^{-2}$  to  $263.0 \cdot 10^{-2}$ . These  $\sigma$ , values are at least 10 times larger than those of ND bands. The NS parameter  $\sigma$  for SD bands lies in the range of  $10^{-3} \leq \sigma \leq 10^{-6}$  as compared to ND bands [6, 11] have a range of  $10^{-2} \leq \sigma \leq 10^{-4}$ . The NS parameter is related to the extent of rigidity of SD bands. By applying the VMINS3 model, it is determined that the SD bands for  $^{58}\text{Ni}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{58}\text{Cu}$ ,  $^{59}\text{Cu}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{62}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{65}\text{Zn}$  and  $^{88}\text{Mo}$  ( $b_2$ ,  $b_3$ ) nuclei are less rigid than the ND bands.

**Table 1. The real root (NS parameter,  $\sigma$ ) of Eq. (6) for SD bands for nuclei in  $A \approx 60 - 90$  mass region together with the experimental transition energy**

SD band	Experimental transition energy, keV			NS parameter, $\sigma$			
	$E_{\gamma}^{exp}(I-2 \rightarrow I-4)$	$E_{\gamma}^{exp}(I \rightarrow I-2)$	$E_{\gamma}^{exp}(I+2 \rightarrow I)$	Real roots of Eq. (6)			
				First	Second	Third	Fourth
$^{58}\text{Ni}(b_1)$	1663	1989	2350	0.853	4.720	2.450	3.130
$^{58}\text{Cu}$	830	1197	1576	1.610	7.670	3.380	5.900
$^{59}\text{Cu}(b_1)$	1599	1900	2242	1.380	4.090	3.180	2.290
$^{61}\text{Zn}$	1432	1626	1845	–	–	–	–
$^{62}\text{Zn}$	1993	2215	2440	0.680	4.740	2.710	2.700
$^{65}\text{Zn}$	1341	1491	1668	–	3.790	2.630	–
$^{68}\text{Zn}$	1506	1717	1918	–	–	–	–
$^{84}\text{Zr}$	1526	1663	1808	–	–	–	–
$^{86}\text{Zr}(b_1)$	1518	1646	1785	–	–	–	–
$^{88}\text{Mo}(b_1)$	1238	1343	1481	–	–	–	–
$^{88}\text{Mo}(b_2)$	1458	1596	1743	0.358	4.450	3.400	1.410
$^{88}\text{Mo}(b_3)$	1260	1384	1521	0.314	3.740	2.820	1.230
$^{89}\text{Tc}$	1147	1259	1384	–	–	–	–

In Table 2, we have summarized the band head spin in the mass range  $A \approx 60 - 90$  in the present study and prior studies [12, 13]. The VMINS3 model is not able to assign the  $I_0$  for some nuclei as  $^{61}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{68}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{84}\text{Zr}$ ,  $^{86}\text{Zr}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{88}\text{Mo}$  ( $b_1$ ), and  $^{89}\text{Tc}$  due to complex roots found in Eq. (11). It is helpful to try to connect the data in terms of some theory of nuclear structure search like the VMINS3 model in order to systematize what would otherwise be a perplexing mass of

data. It is clear from this comparison that our present results for the band head spin appear to relatively satisfy the experimental data available when compared to findings from earlier investigations. The VMINS3 model formula has been used to fit the E2 gamma energies of all the SD bands for  $^{58}\text{Ni}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{58}\text{Cu}$ ,  $^{59}\text{Cu}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{61}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{62}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{65}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{68}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{84}\text{Zr}$ ,  $^{86}\text{Zr}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{88}\text{Mo}$  ( $b_1, b_2, b_3$ ) and  $^{89}\text{Tc}$  nuclei in  $A \approx 60 - 90$  mass region.

**Table 2. The band head spin  $I_0$  for SD bands as well as the values from the available theoretical models, together with the computed transition energy and the parameters  $A$  and  $B$  utilized in the fitting**

SD band	$E_\gamma^{exp}(I_0 \rightarrow I_0 - 2)$ , keV	$E_\gamma^{VMINS3}(I_0 \rightarrow I_0 - 2)$ , keV	$A \cdot 10^2$ , keV	$B \cdot 10^1$ , keV	$I_0$			
					Present assigned	Ref. [12]	Ref. [13]	Exp. [14]
$^{58}\text{Ni}(b_1)$	1663	1718	-3.470	3.95	10	13	13	15
$^{58}\text{Cu}$	830	887	-6.700	4.30	8	8	4	9
$^{59}\text{Cu}(b_1)$	1599	1615	-5.590	3.92	8.5	13.5	12.5	-
$^{61}\text{Zn}$	1432	-	-	-	-	17.5	13.5	12.5
$^{62}\text{Zn}$	1993	2001	-0.297	2.75	14	22	18	-
$^{65}\text{Zn}$	1341	1310	1.320	2.24	17.5	12.5	20.5	-
$^{68}\text{Zn}$	1506	-	-	-	-	18	14	-
$^{84}\text{Zr}$	1526	-	-	-	-	25	21	-
$^{86}\text{Zr}(b_1)$	1518	-	-	-	-	27	28	-
$^{88}\text{Mo}(b_1)$	1238	-	-	-	-	27	-	-
$^{88}\text{Mo}(b_2)$	1458	1503	-0.644	1.50	21	24	32	-
$^{88}\text{Mo}(b_3)$	1260	1313	-0.641	1.30	21	23	-	-
$^{89}\text{Tc}$	1147	-	-	-	-	23.5	20.5	-

For these nuclei, we took into account only the SD bands for which conditions were satisfied. Firstly: the roots of Eq. (6) are real either positive or negative (the NS parameter,  $\sigma$ ). Secondly: they are subject to the constraint Gupta et al. [8], (the smallest value among the roots). Finally: our constraint is to select the largest  $I_0$  - value regardless of its sign (resulting from solving quartic Eq. (11)). Due to the fact that the rms deviation of the larger  $I_0$  is less than the mean square deviation of the smaller  $I_0$ , Table 3 demonstrates that the SD bands for the nuclei  $^{58}\text{Ni}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{59}\text{Cu}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{62}\text{Zn}$ , and  $^{88}\text{Mo}$  ( $b_2$ ) fulfill all requirements.  $^{88}\text{Mo}$  ( $b_3$ ) fulfills all requirements due to no other value for  $I_0$  appears, where the number of negative real roots and complex roots is two, as stated by Descartes' rule for signs. Since the negative second root's value is so tiny  $\sim 0.5$ , it cannot adequately reflect the value of  $I_0$ . SD bands for the nuclei  $^{58}\text{Cu}$ , and  $^{65}\text{Zn}$  satisfy all conditions except that rms deviation of the smaller  $I_0$

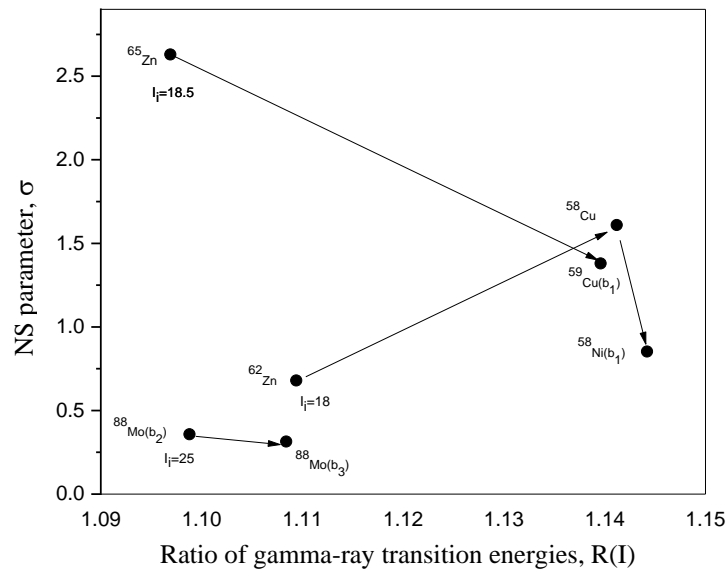
is bigger than the rms deviation of the larger  $I_0$ , may be due to that SD bands for the nuclei  $^{58}\text{Cu}$ , and  $^{65}\text{Zn}$  configurations involve the single-particle states  $\pi 3^m$  where  $m$  is the number of protons in the  $\mathcal{N} = 3$  intruder levels, where  $\mathcal{N}$  represents the principal oscillator quantum number. The  $R_4 = \frac{E_4}{E_2}$ , energy ratio in the

deformed even-even nuclei is one of the most prevalent indicators of rigidity. Since the SD bands are high spin bands with unknown band head energies, we are unable to determine such an energy ratio  $R_4$ . We instead make use of the gamma-ray transition energy ratios. Therefore, using experimental gamma-ray transition energies [14], we compute the ratios as shown in Eq. (10) and plot the NS parameter vs these ratios in the SD bands where the ratio could be computed (this is only possible in those SD bands where the same set of spins are known, i.e., it shares the same angular momenta).

**Table 3. Comparison of the calculated and experimental  $E_\gamma$ , keV. The calculated transition energies for different band head spin ( $I_0$ ) with the rms deviation value of SD bands for nuclei under study**

$E_\gamma^{exp} (I \rightarrow I-2)$	$I$	$E_\gamma^{VMINS^3} (I \rightarrow I-2)$	$I$	$E_\gamma^{VMINS^3} (I \rightarrow I-2)$	$I$	$E_\gamma^{VMINS^3} (I \rightarrow I-2)$
Nucleus $^{58}\text{Ni}(b_1)$						
Band head spin		8			10	
1663	15	1718	10	927	12	1243
1989	17	2034	12	1243	14	1560
2350	19	2350	14	1560	16	1876
2750	21	2666	16	1876	18	2192
3157	23	2982	18	2192	20	2508
rms	0.033367732		0.358854505		0.216548835	
Nucleus $^{58}\text{Cu}$						
Band head spin		4			8	
8300	9	8870	6	7140	10	1059
1197	11	1231	8	1059	12	1404
1576	13	1576	10	1404	14	1748
1955	15	1920	12	1748	16	2093
2342	17	2265	14	2093	18	2437
2748	19	2609	16	2437	20	2781
rms	0.039670261		0.115484718		0.144171304	
Nucleus $^{59}\text{Cu}(b_1)$						
Band head spin		6.5			8.5	
1599	14.5	1615	8.5	675	10.5	988
1900	16.5	1929	10.5	988	12.5	1302
2242	18.5	2242	12.5	1302	14.5	1615
2611	20.5	2555	14.5	1615	16.5	1929
3004	22.5	2869	16.5	1929	18.5	2242
3424	24.5	3182	18.5	2242	20.5	2555
3827	26.5	3495	20.5	2555	22.5	2869
rms	0.046812415		0.42145265		0.288538876	
Nucleus $^{62}\text{Zn}$						
Band head spin		11			14	
1993	18	2001	13	1451	16	1781
2215	20	2220	15	1671	18	2001
2440	22	2440	17	1891	20	2220
2690	24	2660	19	2110	22	2440
2939	26	2880	21	2330	24	2660
3236	28	3099	23	2550	26	2880
rms	0.01975576		0.230661883		0.098849569	
Nucleus $^{65}\text{Zn}$						
Band head spin		12.5			17.5	
1341	12.5	1310	14.5	1489	19.5	1937
1491	14.5	1489	16.5	1668	21.5	2116
1668	16.5	1668	18.5	1847	23.5	2295
1887	18.5	1847	20.5	2026	25.5	2474
2121	20.5	2026	22.5	2205	27.5	2653
2362	22.5	2205	24.5	2384	29.5	2832
2963	24.5	2384	26.5	2563	31.5	3011
3005	26.5	2563	28.5	2743	33.5	3190
3349	28.5	2743	30.5	2922	35.5	3369
rms	0.105359684		0.098311827		0.282340067	
Nucleus $^{88}\text{Mo}(b_2)$						
Band head spin		9			21	
1458	30	1503	11	369	23	1084
1596	32	1623	13	487	25	1204
1743	34	1743	15	606	27	1323
1895	36	1863	17	725	29	1443
2051	38	1983	19	845	31	1563
2229	40	2103	21	964	33	1683
rms	0.031181183		0.647413223		0.244171972	

$E_{\gamma}^{exp}(I \rightarrow I-2)$	$I$	$E_{\gamma}^{VMINS3}(I \rightarrow I-2)$	$I$	$E_{\gamma}^{VMINS3}(I \rightarrow I-2)$	$I$	$E_{\gamma}^{VMINS3}(I \rightarrow I-2)$
Nucleus						
$^{88}\text{Mo}(b_3)$						
Band head spin						
21						
1260	32	1313	23	846		
1384	34	1417	25	950		
1521	36	1521	27	1053		
1671	38	1625	29	1157		
1816	40	1729	31	1261		
1971	42	1833	33	1365		
2135	44	1937	35	1469		
2298	46	2041	37	1573		
rms	0.062598033		0.31232299			



The variation of NS parameter versus the ratio of gamma-ray transition energies.

In Figure the NS parameter,  $\sigma$  is plotted against the calculated energy ratio  $E_{\gamma}(20 \rightarrow 18)/E_{\gamma}(18 \rightarrow 16)$  for the SD bands for the nuclei  $^{58}\text{Ni}(b_1)$ ,  $^{58}\text{Cu}$  and  $^{62}\text{Zn}$ ,  $E_{\gamma}(20.5 \rightarrow 18.5)/E_{\gamma}(18.5 \rightarrow 16.5)$  for the SD bands for the nuclei  $^{65}\text{Zn}$  and  $^{59}\text{Cu}(b_1)$ , and  $E_{\gamma}(27 \rightarrow 25)/E_{\gamma}(25 \rightarrow 23)$  for the SD bands for the nuclei  $^{88}\text{Mo}(b_2)$  and  $^{88}\text{Mo}(b_3)$ . The NS parameter decreases as the energy ratio increases except in the case of the SD band of an odd-odd nucleus  $^{58}\text{Cu}$  for the first group. As for the other two groups the NS parameter decreases as the energy ratio increases. It suggests that with the increasing value of the energy ratio, the rigidity of SD bands increases.

#### 4. Conclusion

In this paper, we converted the original VMI Hamiltonian into an equivalent VMINS3 Hamiltonian wherein the moment of inertia does not appear

in the rotational kinetic energy term with explicit expression given by Eq. (1), showing its dependence on the Hamiltonian parameters and the NS parameter,  $\sigma$ . We have investigated the band head spin for SD bands in the mass region  $A \cong 60 - 90$ . Our main motivation was to prove that the VMINS3 model is an improvement of the VMI model. To that goal, we have employed the Descartes method to solve the quartic equation of band head spin. We provided new analytical formulae for the NS parameter,  $\sigma$ . By applying the VMINS3 model, it is determined that the SD bands for  $^{58}\text{Ni}(b_1)$ ,  $^{58}\text{Cu}$ ,  $^{59}\text{Cu}(b_1)$ ,  $^{62}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{65}\text{Zn}$  and  $^{88}\text{Mo}(b_2, b_3)$  nuclei are less rigid than the ND bands. The value of the transition energy ratio increases with increasing the rigidity of SD bands. The estimated and observed transition energies are in fairly satisfactory agreement. This method for spin assignment of SD rotational bands may help to design future experiments for SD bands.

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### ЯДЕРНА М'ЯКІСТЬ У МОДЕЛІ ЗІ ЗМІННИМ МОМЕНТОМ ІНЕРЦІЇ ТА ЇЇ ЗАСТОСУВАННЯ ДО НАДДЕФОРМОВАНИХ СМУГ В ОБЛАСТІ МАС $A \approx 60 - 90$

Для наддеформованих (SD) смуг  $^{58}\text{Ni}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{58}\text{Cu}$ ,  $^{59}\text{Cu}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{61}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{62}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{65}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{68}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{84}\text{Zr}$ ,  $^{86}\text{Zr}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{88}\text{Mo}$  ( $b_1, b_2, b_3$ ) і  $^{89}\text{Tc}$  в області мас  $A \approx 60 - 90$ , параметр ядерної м'якості (NS),  $\sigma$ , був розрахований за допомогою моделі VMINS3. Смуги SD  $^{58}\text{Ni}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{58}\text{Cu}$ ,  $^{59}\text{Cu}$  ( $b_1$ ),  $^{62}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{65}\text{Zn}$  і  $^{88}\text{Mo}$  ( $b_2, b_3$ ) мають значення параметра NS, які перевищують значення нормально деформованих смуг, що вказує на меншу жорсткість. Залежність флуктуації параметра NS від відношення енергій гамма-випромінювання,  $R$ , в області мас  $A \approx 60 - 90$  є одним із результатів дослідження. Відношення енергій переходів було використано для розрахунку головного спіну,  $I_0$ , за методом Декарта (найкращий метод розв'язання рівняння четвертої степені за допомогою кубічного рівняння), з послідовним використанням середньоквадратичного відхилення. Оцінені та спостережені енергії переходів добре узгоджуються.

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