

Electromagnetic transitions in multiple chiral doublet bands^{*}

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Abstract: Multiple chiral doublet bands ($M\chi D$) in the 80, 130 and 190 mass regions are studied by the model of $\gamma=90^\circ$ triaxial rotor coupled with identical symmetric proton-neutron configurations. By selecting a suitable basis, the calculated wave functions are explicitly exhibited to be symmetric under the operator \hat{A} , which is defined as rotation by 90° about the 3-axis with the exchange of valance proton and neutron. We found that both M1 and E2 transitions are allowed between levels with different values of A , while they are forbidden between levels with same values of A . Such a selection rule holds true for $M\chi D$ in different mass regions.

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1 Introduction

Chirality in nuclei was originally predicted by Frauendorf and Meng [1] in 1997 for triaxially deformed nuclei, which exhibited as a pair of nearly degenerate $\Delta I = 1$ bands with the same parity, namely chiral doublet bands. Chiral doublet bands were first observed in 2001 in the $N=75$ isotones [2]. Later, both theoretical and experimental effort has been devoted to search for more chiral nuclei. So far, more than 30 candidate chiral nuclei have been reported experimentally in the 80, 100, 130 and 190 mass regions [3–24]. Theoretically, nuclear chirality has been investigated in the frameworks of the tilted axis cranking approach [1, 25–27], particle rotor model (PRM) [1, 28–38], interacting boson approximation (IBA) [16, 39] and project shell model [40].

In 2006, based on adiabatic and configuration fixed constrained triaxial covariant density functional theory, Meng et al. [41] predicted that multiple chiral doublet bands ($M\chi D$) with different deformations and different intrinsic configurations could exist in one single nucleus. The first experimental evidence for $M\chi D$ was obtained in ^{133}Ce [42] with the configurations $\pi g_{7/2}^{-1} h_{11/2}^1 \otimes \nu h_{11/2}^{-1}$ and $\pi h_{11/2}^2 \otimes \nu h_{11/2}^{-1}$, then $M\chi D$ with different configurations were suggested in ^{107}Ag [43] and ^{78}Br [24]. In addition, a novel type of $M\chi D$ with identical intrinsic configurations was also theoretically discussed in the 130 mass region with the configuration $\pi h_{11/2} \otimes \nu h_{11/2}^{-1}$ [44–47] and in the 100 mass region with the configuration $\pi g_{9/2}^{-1} \otimes \nu h_{11/2}$ [46]. Recently, this new type of $M\chi D$

was experimentally reported in ^{103}Rh [48], which was analyzed by using the tilted axis cranking covariant density functional theory [49–54] along with PRM. Such new type of $M\chi D$ have not been discussed in the 80 and 190 mass regions so far.

Besides the degeneracy of excitation energies, the properties of the electromagnetic transitions are considered as another criterion for confirming chiral doublet bands. In 2004, Koike et al [55] introduced the selection rule for electromagnetic transition probabilities. In an ideal case of a $\gamma = 90^\circ$ rotor coupled to a symmetric particle-hole configuration, a new operator \hat{A} , which is defined as rotation by 90° about the 3-axis with the exchange of valance proton and neutron, was used to represent the chiral operator. The selection rule in terms of the quantum number A was examined by numerical calculations for the lowest chiral doublet bands with the configuration $\pi h_{11/2} \otimes \nu h_{11/2}^{-1}$ in the 130 mass region [55]. Then the selection rule was used to analyse the excited chiral doublet bands in the 130 mass region [46]. It is easy to imagine that the selection rule for electromagnetic transitions should be directly connected to the symmetry of the wave functions. However, explicit expressions for the wave function with symmetry under \hat{A} have not yet been shown for the chiral doublet bands.

These facts motivate us to make more detailed theoretical studies for the electromagnetic transitions of $M\chi D$ in the different mass regions. In this paper, by adopt-

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ing the particle rotor model, we systematically study the symmetry of wave functions and the selection rule for $M\chi D$ with $\gamma=90^\circ$ rotor coupled with the identical intrinsic configuration, i.e., $\pi g_{9/2} \otimes \nu g_{9/2}^{-1}$, $\pi h_{11/2} \otimes \nu h_{11/2}^{-1}$ and $\pi i_{13/2} \otimes \nu i_{13/2}^{-1}$ for the 80, 130 and 190 mass regions, respectively.

2 Formalism

The total Hamiltonian of particle rotor model of odd-odd nuclei can be written as [1, 55, 56]

$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_{\text{core}} + \hat{H}_p + \hat{H}_n. \quad (1)$$

The Hamiltonian of the core is

$$\hat{H}_{\text{core}} = \sum_{k=1}^3 \frac{\hat{R}_k^2}{2\mathcal{J}_k}, \quad (2)$$

where the indices $k = 1, 2, 3$ represent three principal axes of the body-fixed frame, \hat{R}_k represents the angular momentum operators for core, and \mathcal{J}_k represents the moment of inertia for irrotational flow, i.e.,

$$\mathcal{J}_k = \mathcal{J}_0 \sin^2(\gamma - 2\pi k/3) \quad k=1, 2, 3. \quad (3)$$

For $\gamma=90^\circ$, $\mathcal{J}_1 = \frac{1}{4}\mathcal{J}_0$, $\mathcal{J}_2 = \frac{1}{4}\mathcal{J}_0$, $\mathcal{J}_3 = \mathcal{J}_0$. Thus, the Hamiltonian of the core can be written as

$$\hat{H}_{\text{core}} = \frac{1}{2\mathcal{J}_0} \left[4(\hat{R}_1^2 + \hat{R}_2^2) + \hat{R}_3^2 \right]. \quad (4)$$

The intrinsic Hamiltonians \hat{H}_p and \hat{H}_n describe the valence proton and neutron outside the rotor. For a single- j model, when pairing correlations are neglected, \hat{H}_p and \hat{H}_n can be given as

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H}_{p(n)} = & \pm \frac{1}{2} C_0 \left[(\hat{j}_3^2 - \frac{j(j+1)}{3}) \cos \gamma \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} (\hat{j}_+^2 + \hat{j}_-^2) \sin \gamma \right], \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

where C_0 take values of $\frac{38.8(N+3/2)}{j(j+1)} A^{-1/3} \beta$ [29, 33].

For $\gamma = 90^\circ$, it can be written as

$$\hat{H}_{p(n)} = \pm \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} C_0 (\hat{j}_1^2 - \hat{j}_2^2). \quad (6)$$

The total wave functions of the PRM Hamiltonian can be expanded in the strong coupling basis. Usually, the strong coupling basis is expressed by [29, 35, 46, 57]

$$\begin{aligned} |IMK \varphi_p \varphi_n\rangle = & \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} \left[|IMK\rangle |\varphi_p \varphi_n\rangle \right. \\ & \left. + (-1)^{I-K} |IM-K\rangle |\bar{\varphi}_p \bar{\varphi}_n\rangle \right], \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

where $|IMK\rangle$ denotes the Wigner D functions, φ_p, φ_n and the time reversed states $\bar{\varphi}_p, \bar{\varphi}_n$ are the single-particle (or quasi-particle) eigenstates of the intrinsic Hamiltonian.

In the present paper, we adopt the basis as [28]

$$\begin{aligned} |IMK k_p k_n\rangle = & \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} \left[|IMK\rangle |k_p k_n\rangle \right. \\ & \left. + (-1)^{I-j_p-j_n} |IM-K\rangle |-k_p -k_n\rangle \right], \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

where $|k_p\rangle$ ($|k_n\rangle$) denotes the spherical harmonic oscillator state $|nljk\rangle$. For such a basis of Eq. (8), we can get the certain value of the third component of core angular momentum ($R_3 = K - k_p - k_n$), which is necessary in the analysis for the operator of rotation by 90° about the 3-axis. Meantime, the operator of the exchange valence proton and neutron can be dealt with by the exchange of the value of k_p and k_n of Eq. (8). Thus it is easy to examine the symmetry under operator \hat{A} for PRM wave functions by selecting this basis.

The probabilities of electromagnetic transition $B(M1)$ and $B(E2)$ can be obtained from the PRM wave functions with M1 and E2 operators [28, 29, 55]. For the E2 transitions, the corresponding operator is taken as

$$\hat{E}2 = \sqrt{\frac{5}{16\pi}} \left[D_{\mu 0}^{2*} \hat{Q}'_{20} + (D_{\mu 2}^{2*} + D_{\mu -2}^{2*}) \hat{Q}'_{22} \right], \quad (9)$$

where \hat{Q}'_{20} and \hat{Q}'_{22} are the intrinsic quadrupole moments. For the M1 transitions, the corresponding operator is taken as

$$(\hat{M}1)_\mu = \sqrt{\frac{3}{4\pi}} \frac{e\hbar}{2mc} \left[(g_p - g_R) \hat{j}_{p\mu} + (g_n - g_R) \hat{j}_{n\mu} \right] \quad (10)$$

with

$$\hat{j}_\mu = \left(\hat{j}_0 = \hat{j}_3, \hat{j}_{\pm 1} = \frac{\mp(\hat{j}_1 \pm i\hat{j}_2)}{\sqrt{2}} \right). \quad (11)$$

In our calculations, the configurations $\pi g_{9/2} \otimes \nu g_{9/2}^{-1}$, $\pi h_{11/2} \otimes \nu h_{11/2}^{-1}$, $\pi i_{13/2} \otimes \nu i_{13/2}^{-1}$ for $A \sim 80, 130, 190$ mass regions with deformation parameters $\beta = 0.22$, $\gamma = 90^\circ$ and moment of inertia $\mathcal{J}_0 = 30 \text{ MeV}^{-1} \hbar^2$ are adopted. The empirical intrinsic quadrupole moment $Q_0 = (3/\sqrt{5\pi}) R_0^2 Z \beta$ are adopted in the calculation of electromagnetic transitions. Using $g_R = Z/A$ and the empirical formula $g_{p(n)} = g_l + (g_s - g_l)/(2l + 1)$ with $g_s = 0.6g_s^{\text{free}}$, the g -factor for proton (neutron) occupied orbits $g_{9/2}, h_{11/2}, i_{13/2}$ would be $g_p(g_n) - g_R \approx 0.82(-0.70), 0.77(-0.65), 0.76(-0.60)$, respectively. Here, we take the approximate values $g_p(g_n) - g_R = 0.7(-0.7)$ for all the occupying orbits with the intention of deducing the strictly forbidden M1 transitions in Eq. (10).

3 Results and discussion

The calculated level scheme for two pairs of chiral doublet bands based on the configurations $\pi h_{11/2} \otimes \nu h_{11/2}^{-1}$, $\pi g_{9/2} \otimes \nu g_{9/2}^{-1}$ and $\pi i_{13/2} \otimes \nu i_{13/2}^{-1}$ coupled with $\gamma = 90^\circ$ rotor are shown in Figs. 1, 2 and 3. The parity quantum numbers, the angular momentum quantum numbers and excited energies are listed above the energy levels. Red

arrows represent $M1(I \rightarrow I-1)$ transitions and black arrows represent $E2(I \rightarrow I-2)$ transitions. The bands are organized based on in-band $B(E2; I \rightarrow I-2)$ values over the degenerate spin range, namely $I \geq 10, 12, 14\hbar$ for 80, 130, 190 mass regions, respectively. These bands are labeled as 1, 2, 3, 4. Bands 1 & 2 form the lowest chiral doublet bands A, while bands 3 & 4 form the excited chiral doublet bands B.

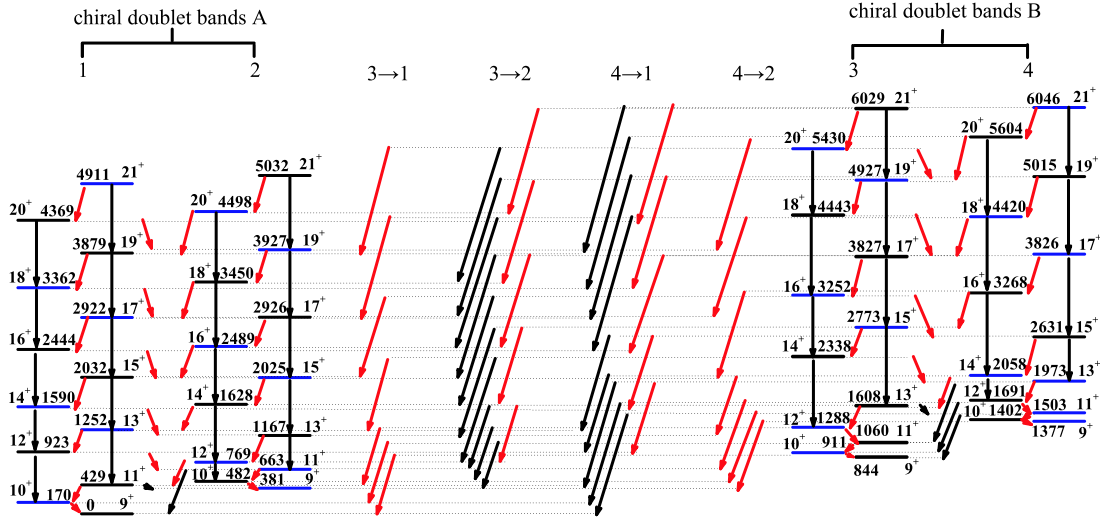


Fig. 1. (color online) Calculated level scheme for two pairs of chiral doublet bands based on the configuration $\pi h_{11/2} \otimes \nu h_{11/2}^{-1}$ coupled with $\gamma = 90^\circ$ rotor. Black and blue solid lines represent the energy levels with $A = 1$ and -1 . The parity quantum numbers, the angular momentum quantum numbers and excited energies are listed above the levels. Red arrows represent $M1(I \rightarrow I-1)$ transitions and black arrows represent $E2(I \rightarrow I-2)$ transitions.

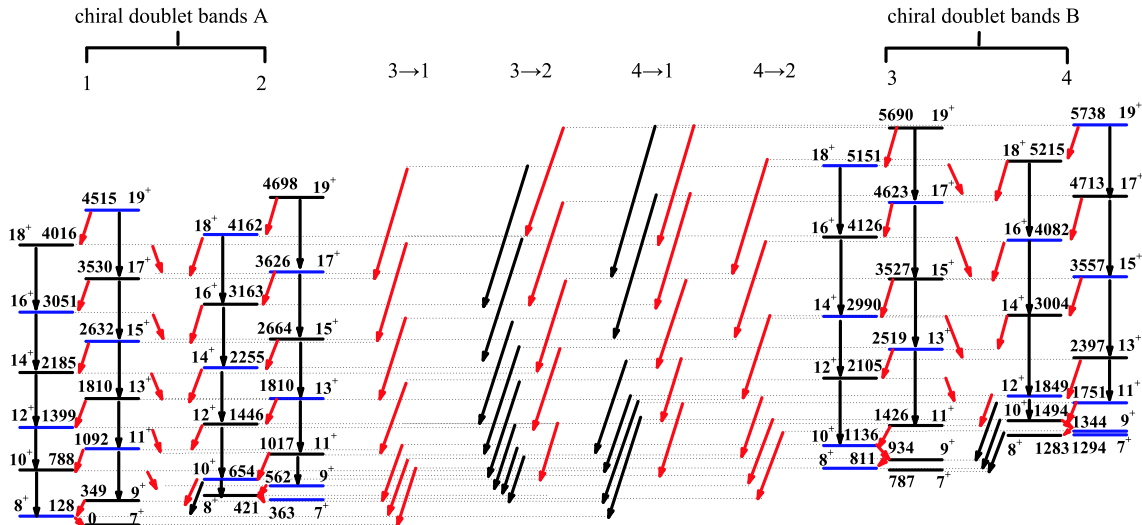
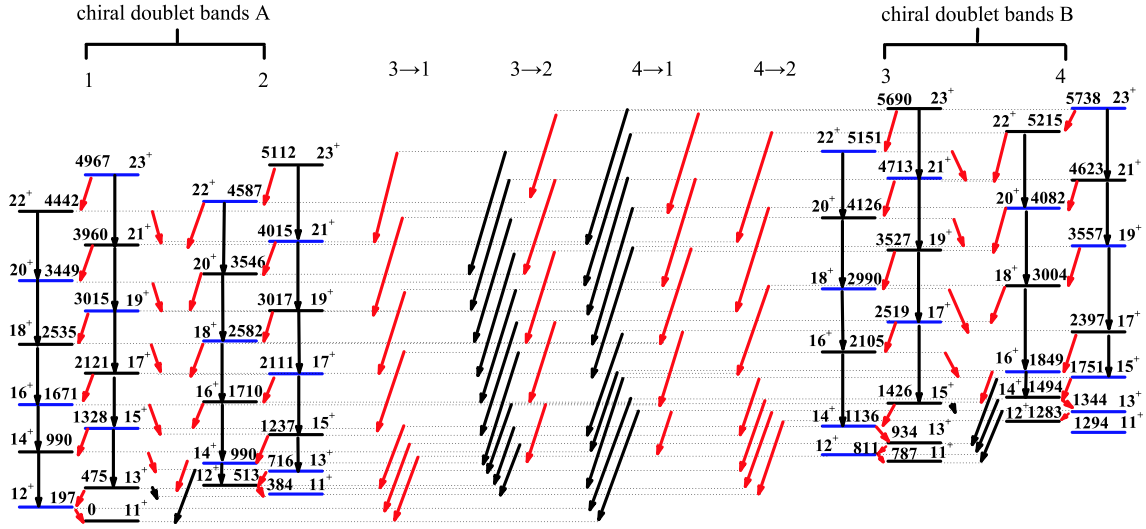


Fig. 2. (color online) Same as Fig. 1 but for the configuration $\pi g_{9/2} \otimes \nu g_{9/2}^{-1}$.


 Fig. 3. (color online) Same as Fig. 1 but for the configuration $\pi i_{13/2} \otimes \nu i_{13/2}^{-1}$.

Taking the 130 mass region as an example, the properties of electromagnetic transitions in $M\chi D$ are discussed. The corresponding $B(M1; I \rightarrow I - 1)$ and $B(E2; I \rightarrow I - 2)$ values are presented in Tables 1 and 2. As shown in Fig. 1, the bands are organized based on $B(E2)$ values so that the in-band E2 transitions are always allowed. The interband E2 transitions are allowed from the states of band 3 decaying to those of band 2, or band 4 to 1. For the in-band M1 transitions, the same odd-even spin staggering is clearly seen in the four bands, in which transitions from odd spin to even spin states are allowed. For the interband M1 transitions, transitions from band 1 to 2 and band 2 to 1 are allowed for even spin states decaying to odd spin states, with the same behavior exhibited for band 3 and 4. Interband M1 transitions between chiral bands A and chiral bands B are allowed from the states of band 3 decaying alternatively to those of band 1 or 2, with the same behavior exhibited for band 4.

The above selection rules of electromagnetic transitions associated with odd and even spin are summarized in Table 3. For the 80 and 190 mass regions, the similar properties, especially the same selection rule associated with odd and even spin as the case of the 130 mass region, are obtained from the model calculations.

Besides the selection rule for $M\chi D$, the quantitative relations of electromagnetic transitions probabilities are also obtained from the Tables 1 and 2. The $B(M1)$ and $B(E2)$ values in the excited chiral doublet bands have the same order of magnitude as those in lowest chiral doublet bands. However, the $B(M1)$ and $B(E2)$ values which link the excited to the lowest chiral doublet bands are two orders of magnitude smaller than those in the lowest (or excited) chiral doublet bands. The selection rules and the quantitative relations of electromagnetic transitions probabilities would be helpful for confirming the existence of $M\chi D$ in the real nuclei.

 Table 1. Calculated $B(M1; I \rightarrow I - 1)(\mu_N^2)$ values for two pairs of chiral doublet bands based on the configuration $\pi h_{11/2} \otimes \nu h_{11/2}^{-1}$ coupled with $\gamma = 90^\circ$ rotor.

	$I(\hbar)$											
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
1→1	3.1	2.9	0	2.7	0	2.4	0	2.4	0	2.2	0	2.1
1→2	0	0	2.9	0	2.3	0	2.5	0	2.5	0	2.4	0
2→1	0	0	2.7	0	2.6	0	2.3	0	2.2	0	1.9	0
2→2	3.3	3.1	0	2.5	0	2.5	0	2.4	0	2.3	0	2.0
3→1	0.002	0.01	0.03	0	0.04	0	0.05	0	0.03	0	0.03	0
3→2	0	0	0	0.10	0	0.06	0	0.05	0	0.05	0	0.09
3→3	3.3	3.1	2.9	2.6	0	2.3	0	1.7	0	1.9	0	1.2
3→4	0	0	0	0	2.5	0	1.9	0	1.5	0	1.3	0
4→1	0	0	0	0.02	0	0.09	0	0.02	0	0.0002	0	0.003
4→2	0.001	0.01	0.01	0	0.16	0	0.05	0	0.04	0	0.02	0
4→3	0	0	0	0	2.2	0	2.1	0	1.9	0	1.6	0
4→4	3.3	3.1	3.0	2.7	0	2.0	0	2.0	0	0.02	0	0.09

Table 2. Calculated $B(E2; I \rightarrow I-2)(e^2b^2)$ values for two pairs of chiral doublet bands based on the configuration $\pi h_{11/2} \otimes \nu h_{11/2}^{-1}$ coupled with $\gamma = 90^\circ$ rotor.

	$I(\hbar)$										
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
1→1	0	0.12	0.12	0.18	0.23	0.25	0.30	0.35	0.37	0.40	0.42
1→2	0.04	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2→1	0.12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2→2	0	0.06	0.11	0.14	0.19	0.27	0.31	0.33	0.37	0.39	0.42
3→1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3→2	0.17	0.15	0.10	0.001	0.001	0.004	0.001	0.001	0.0002	0.004	0
3→3	0	0	0	0.16	0.13	0.16	0.22	0.20	0.25	0.10	0.25
3→4	0.03	0.04	0.05	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4→1	0.0002	0.001	0.001	0.05	0.01	0	0	0.0003	0.01	0.0003	0.01
4→2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4→3	0.23	0.21	0.18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4→4	0	0	0	0.07	0.10	0.12	0.14	0.24	0.01	0.32	0.41

Table 3. Selection rule of M1 and E2 transitions associated with odd-even initial spins.

I	M1($I \rightarrow I-1$)		E2($I \rightarrow I-2$)	
	odd spin	even spin	odd spin	even spin
in-band				
band 3→2	allowed	forbidden	allowed	allowed
band 4→1				
band 1↔2				
band 3↔4	forbidden	allowed	forbidden	forbidden
band 3→1				
band 4→2				

As discussed in Ref. [55] for the ideal case with one-particle one-hole plus a $\gamma = 90^\circ$ rotor, the chiral operator $\chi = \hat{T}\hat{R}_2(\pi)$ can be replaced by the operator \hat{A} , defined as

$$\hat{A} = e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}\hat{R}_3} \cdot \hat{C}, \quad (12)$$

where the operator $e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}\hat{R}_3}$ denotes core rotation by 90° about the 3-axis and the operator \hat{C} denotes the exchange of the valence proton and neutron. It is obvious that the PRM Hamiltonian described by Eqs. (4) and (6) is symmetric under the operator \hat{A} . Then according to Quantum Mechanics [58], the wave function might have such a symmetry, or bring spontaneous symmetry breaking. Thus, it is necessary to examine the symmetry of the wave function as the first step.

Taking the state of $I = 17\hbar$ of band 1 for the 130 mass region as an example, the corresponding calculated wave functions of the PRM are listed in Table 4. $|k_p, k_n, K\rangle$ denotes the basis in Eq. (8). k_p, k_n, K and $R_3 (R_3 = K - k_p - k_n)$ refer to the third component of angular momentum for the valence proton, valence neutron, nucleus and core, respectively. C_{k_p, k_n}^{IK} refers to the expansion coefficient of the basis. The quantum number R_3 takes only even integer values due to D_2 symmetry.

C takes 1 and -1 due to the symmetry and antisymmetry of the intrinsic proton-neutron wave function under the exchange of proton and neutron, respectively. The A values can be fixed by ($n = 0, 1, 2, 3..$)

1. $R_3 = \pm 4n$, $C = 1$, or $R_3 = \pm 4n + 2$, $C = -1$, resulting in $A = 1$,
2. $R_3 = \pm 4n$, $C = -1$, or $R_3 = \pm 4n + 2$, $C = 1$, resulting in $A = -1$.

The components of the wave function are divided into two groups: one with $C = 1$, such as $(0.111|2.5, 3.5, 16) + 0.111|3.5, 2.5, 16)$, and the other with $C = -1$, such as $(-0.107| -0.5, 1.5, 13) + 0.107|1.5, -0.5, 13)$. Together with the values of corresponding R_3 in the different components of the wave function, $A = -1$ can be obtained for $I = 17\hbar$ of Band 1. The wave function is expanded in a $1260 (\sim (2j_p + 1)(2j_n + 1)(2I + 1)/4)$ dimensional basis for such a state, in which all components meet the symmetry with $A = -1$. The calculated PRM wave functions of M χ D in the three mass regions are systematically examined, and are found to always have eigenvalues $A = 1$ or -1 .

Therefore, levels with $A = 1$ and -1 are expressed by black and blue solid lines in Figs. 1, 2, 3. We find that M1 and E2 transitions are allowed between levels with different values of A , but forbidden between levels with the same values of A . Such a selection rule was examined for the lowest chiral doublet bands in the 130 mass region [55]. The present results show that the selection rule is not only suitable for the lowest chiral doublet bands but is also suitable for the excited chiral doublet bands, not only in the 130 mass region but also in the 80 and 190 mass regions with symmetric proton-neutron configurations.

The quantum number A and the resulting selection rule are attributed to the symmetry under operator \hat{A}

for the Hamiltonian with the present ideal case. For the Hamiltonian with the asymmetric configuration or γ deviating from 90° , it is obvious that A is no longer a good quantum number and the resulting selection rule cannot be obtained. However, by analyzing the previous results [47, 56] and our systematic calculations, it is found that the selection rule associated with odd-even spin still holds for the lowest chiral doublet bands when γ is close to 90° , while is difficult to be kept for the excited chiral doublet bands. So far, the only case of $M\chi D$ with identical intrinsic configuration was observed in odd- A nucleus ^{103}Rh with configuration $\pi g_{9/2}^{-1} \otimes \nu h_{11/2} g_{7/2}$ [48]. The $B(M1)/B(E2)$ ratios of $M\chi D$ in ^{103}Rh were extracted and exhibited weak staggering [48], which show the deviations from the present ideal cases. The deviations

might be attributed to the asymmetric configuration and γ deviating far from 90° .

The reason for the selection rule for electromagnetic transition in terms of A values has been discussed in Ref. [55]. Here, some more detailed explanation is given. For the E2 transition operator in Eq. (9), the $B(E2)$ values can be obtained as following, if only the core contributions are considered [28, 55]

$$B(E2, I \rightarrow I') = Q_0^2 \frac{5}{16\pi} \left| \sum_{K, K'}^{k_p, k_n} C_{k_p, k_n}^{IK} C_{k_p, k_n}^{I'K'} [\cos \gamma \langle IK20 | I'K' \rangle - \frac{\sin \gamma}{\sqrt{2}} (\langle IK22 | I'K' \rangle + \langle IK2-2 | I'K' \rangle)] \right|^2. \quad (13)$$

Table 4. Calculated wave functions at $I = 17\hbar$ of bands 1–4 based on the configuration $\pi h_{11/2} \otimes \nu h_{11/2}^{-1}$ coupled with $\gamma = 90^\circ$ rotor. $|k_p, k_n, K\rangle$ is the basis of wave function. C_{k_p, k_n}^{IK} refers to expansion coefficient of basis. R_3 refers to third component of core angular momentum. C is quantum number for the operator of exchange proton and neutron, and $A = \exp^{i\frac{\pi}{2}R_3} \cdot C$.

band 1				band 2			
$C_{k_p, k_n}^{IK} k_p, k_n, K\rangle$	R_3	C	A	$C_{k_p, k_n}^{IK} k_p, k_n, K\rangle$	R_3	C	A
$-0.107 -0.5, 1.5, 13\rangle$	12			$0.106 1.5, 2.5, 12\rangle$	8		
$0.107 1.5, -0.5, 13\rangle$	12	-1	-1	$0.106 2.5, 1.5, 12\rangle$	8	1	1
$0.145 2.5, 4.5, 15\rangle$	8			$-0.111 2.5, 3.5, 16\rangle$	10		
$-0.145 4.5, 2.5, 15\rangle$	8	-1	-1	$0.111 3.5, 2.5, 16\rangle$	10	-1	1
$0.111 2.5, 3.5, 16\rangle$	10			$-0.100 2.5, 4.5, 17\rangle$	10		
$0.111 3.5, 2.5, 16\rangle$	10	1	-1	$0.100 4.5, 2.5, 17\rangle$	10	-1	1
...
$-0.004 -4.5, 5.5, 15\rangle$	14			$-0.005 -3.5, 4.5, 15\rangle$	14		
$-0.004 5.5, -4.5, 15\rangle$	14	1	-1	$0.005 4.5, -3.5, 15\rangle$	14	-1	1
$-0.009 -3.5, 5.5, 16\rangle$	14			$0.009 -3.5, 5.5, 16\rangle$	14		
$-0.009 5.5, -3.5, 16\rangle$	14	1	-1	$-0.009 5.5, -3.5, 16\rangle$	14	-1	1
...
band 3				band 4			
$0.107 0.5, 3.5, 10\rangle$	6			$0.122 1.5, 2.5, 10\rangle$	6		
$-0.107 3.5, 0.5, 10\rangle$	6	-1	1	$0.122 2.5, 1.5, 10\rangle$	6	1	-1
$-0.103 0.5, 3.5, 16\rangle$	12			$-0.112 0.5, 2.5, 11\rangle$	8		
$-0.103 3.5, 0.5, 16\rangle$	12	1	1	$0.112 2.5, 0.5, 11\rangle$	8	-1	-1
$0.121 2.5, 4.5, 17\rangle$	10			$0.104 3.5, 5.5, 17\rangle$	8		
$-0.121 4.5, 2.5, 17\rangle$	10	-1	1	$-0.104 5.5, 3.5, 17\rangle$	8	-1	-1
...
$-0.005 -3.5, 4.5, 15\rangle$	14			$-0.014 2.5, 3.5, 14\rangle$	8		
$0.005 4.5, -3.5, 15\rangle$	14	-1	1	$0.014 3.5, 2.5, 14\rangle$	8	-1	-1
$0.005 -4.5, 5.5, 17\rangle$	16			$0.003 -4.5, 5.5, 17\rangle$	16		
$0.005 5.5, -4.5, 17\rangle$	16	1	1	$-0.003 5.5, -4.5, 17\rangle$	16	-1	-1
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To get the non-zero E2 matrix elements, the wave function of the valence proton and neutron in the initial state should be the same as the final state. This means initial state and final state must have the same symmetry under the exchange of valence proton and neutron ($\Delta C = 0$). Furthermore, $\gamma = 90^\circ$ means that

$\cos \gamma \langle IK20 | I'K' \rangle = 0$. Therefore, only the E2 matrix elements with $\Delta C = 0$ and $\Delta R_3 = K' - K = \pm 2$ are non-zero. The non-zero E2 matrix elements connect states of $R_3 = \pm 4n$, $C = 1$ ($A = 1$) with $R_3 = \pm 4n + 2$, $C = 1$ ($A = -1$), or connect states of $R_3 = \pm 4n$, $C = -1$ ($A = -1$) with $R_3 = \pm 4n + 2$, $C = -1$ ($A = 1$).

Thus the E2 transitions are allowed between levels with different values of A , while forbidden with the same values of A .

For the M1 transition operator shown in Eq. (10), $\hat{M}1 \propto \hat{j}_{p(\mu)} - \hat{j}_{n(\mu)}$ ($\mu = 0, \pm 1$) when we take $g_p - g_R = -(g_n - g_R)$ for orbits $g_{9/2}, h_{11/2}, i_{13/2}$. According to the following relationships

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (\hat{j}_{p(0)} - \hat{j}_{n(0)})(|k_p k_n\rangle + |k_n k_p\rangle) \\
 &= (k_p - k_n)(|k_p k_n\rangle - |k_n k_p\rangle), \\
 & (\hat{j}_{p(+1)} - \hat{j}_{n(+1)})(|k_p k_n\rangle + |k_n k_p\rangle) \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{j(j+1) - k_p(k_p+1)}{2}}(|k_n, k_p+1\rangle - |k_p+1, k_n\rangle) \\
 & \quad + \sqrt{\frac{j(j+1) - k_n(k_n+1)}{2}}(|k_p, k_n+1\rangle - |k_n+1, k_p\rangle), \\
 & (\hat{j}_{p(-1)} - \hat{j}_{n(-1)})(|k_p k_n\rangle + |k_n k_p\rangle) \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{j(j+1) - k_p(k_p-1)}{2}}(|k_p-1, k_n\rangle - |k_n, k_p-1\rangle) \\
 & \quad + \sqrt{\frac{j(j+1) - k_n(k_n-1)}{2}}(|k_n-1, k_p\rangle - |k_p, k_n-1\rangle),
 \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

the component of the wave function with $C = 1$, acted on by $\hat{M}1$ transition operators, will change to ones with $C = -1$, and vice versa. Therefore, M1 matrix elements between the initial and final states with the same C values will be zero exactly. Because the M1 operator only connects components with $\Delta R_3 = 0$, only the M1 transitions between states with different A values (same R_3

and opposite C values) are allowed, while those between states with the same A values are forbidden. In the real cases, $g_p - g_R$ is slightly different from $-(g_n - g_R)$, so M1 transition probabilities between states with the same A values are about an order of magnitude smaller than those with opposite A .

The present selection rule is applicable to $M\chi D$ with the identical symmetric configuration in odd-odd nuclei. The observation of the $M\chi D$ with the identical symmetric configuration in the odd-odd nuclei is expected in future experiments to examine the present selection rule.

4 Summary

$M\chi D$ based on $\gamma=90^\circ$ triaxial rotor coupled with identical symmetric proton-neutron configurations are studied by adopting the particle rotor model, in which the configurations are $\pi g_{9/2} \otimes \nu g_{9/2}^{-1}$, $\pi h_{11/2} \otimes \nu h_{11/2}^{-1}$ and $\pi i_{13/2} \otimes \nu i_{13/2}^{-1}$ for the 80, 130 and 190 mass regions, respectively. The calculated wave functions of $M\chi D$ are quantitatively analyzed for the first time and found to meet strict symmetry under the operator \hat{A} . The selection rule for the excited chiral bands and for the different mass regions are examined by the numerical results. The selection rule for the electromagnetic transitions, namely M1 and E2 transitions are allowed between the levels with different values of A while forbidden (or much weaker for M1) between the levels with the same values of A , holds true for the $M\chi D$ with symmetric proton-neutron configurations. The present results might be helpful to identify $M\chi D$ in experiment.

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