

Angular momentum and excitation energy sharing in neutronless fission

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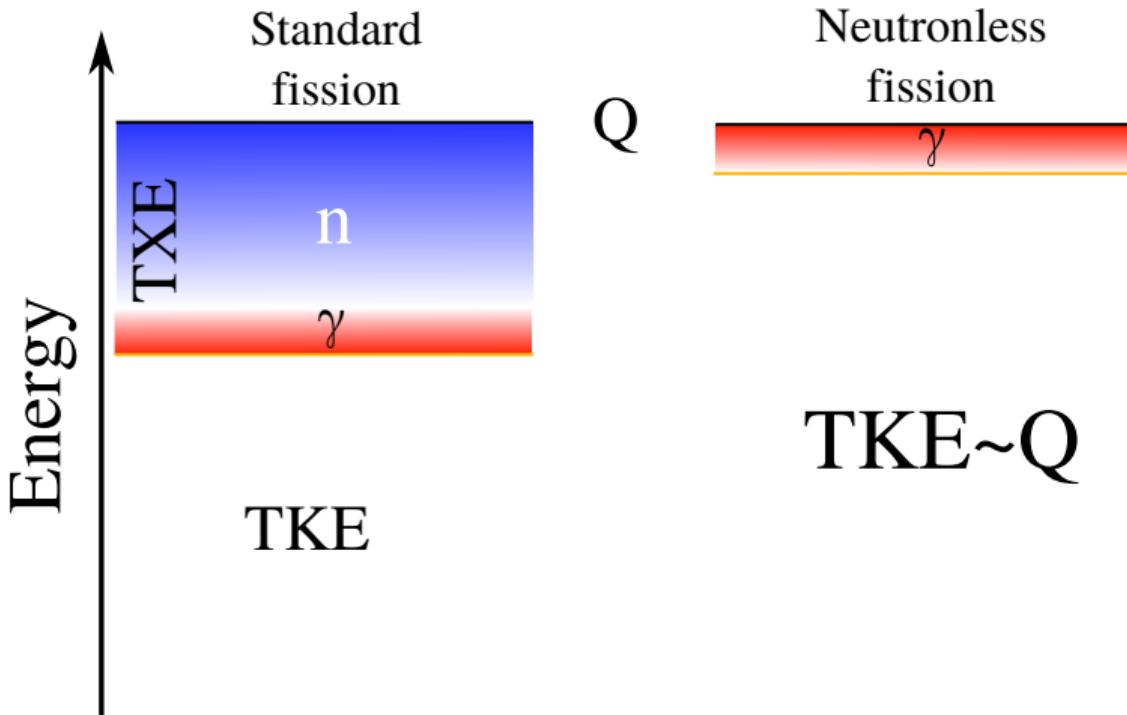
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- Neutronless fission give access to the primary fragments.
- Excitation energy and angular momentum are both exhausted by the γ emission.
- Low probability and experimentally challenging [1,2], need for very efficient detection.

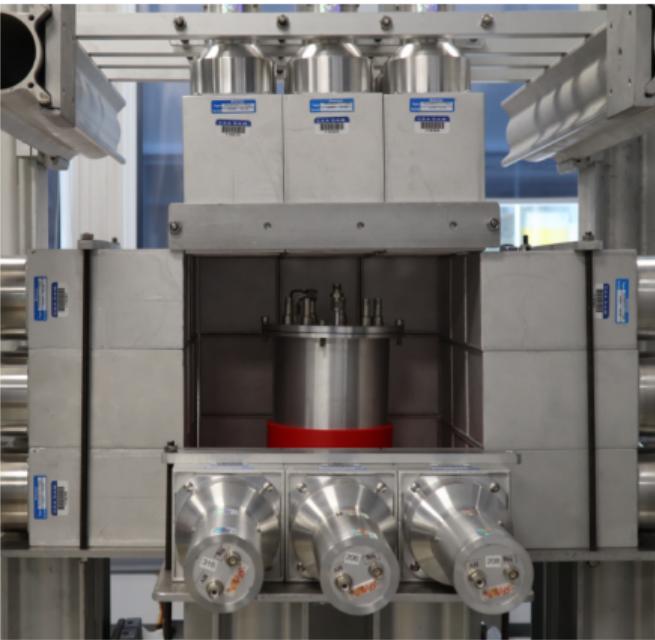
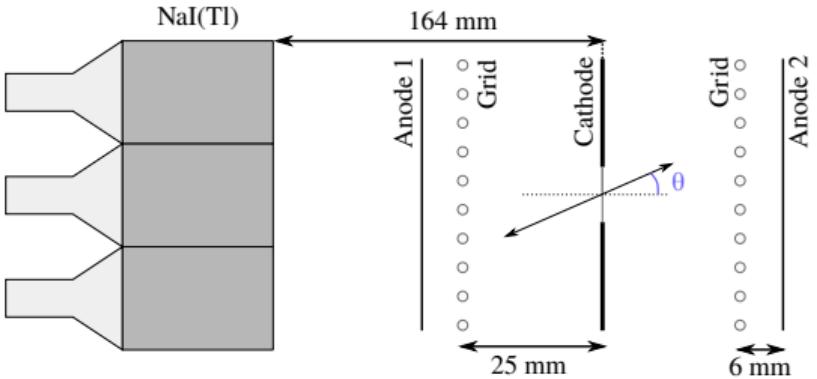
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Experimental Setup

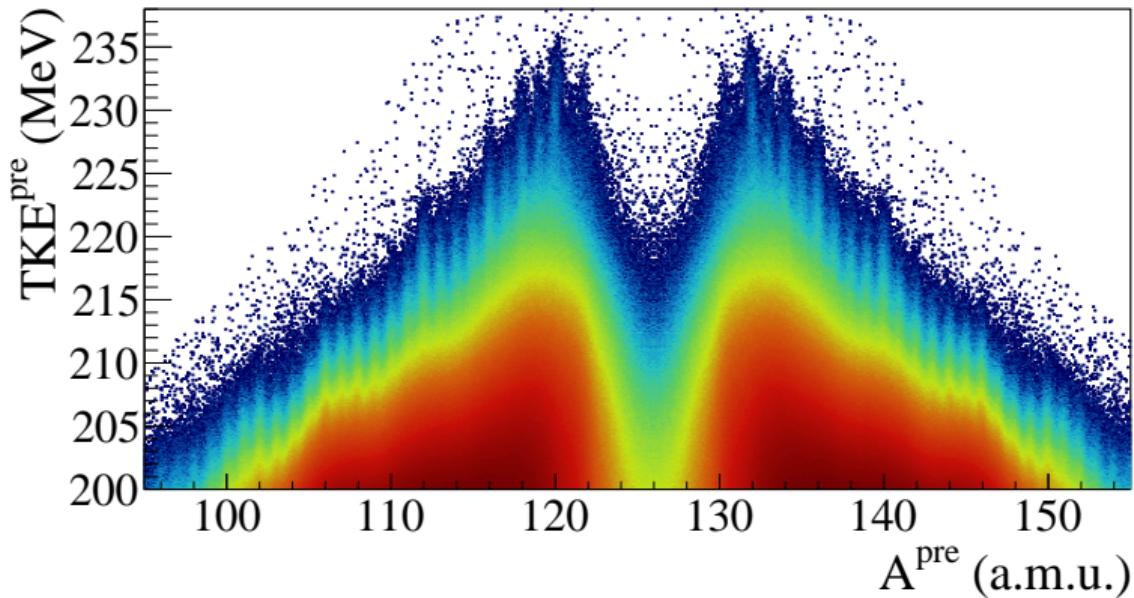
- 54 NaI: Prompt spectrum measurement and isomers identification.
- Twin Frisch-Gridded Ionization Chamber:
 - Fragments identification
 $\vec{p_L} = \vec{p'_L} \Rightarrow A_L/A_H = E_H/E_L$,
 - excellent intrinsic resolution (~ 0.3 MeV).





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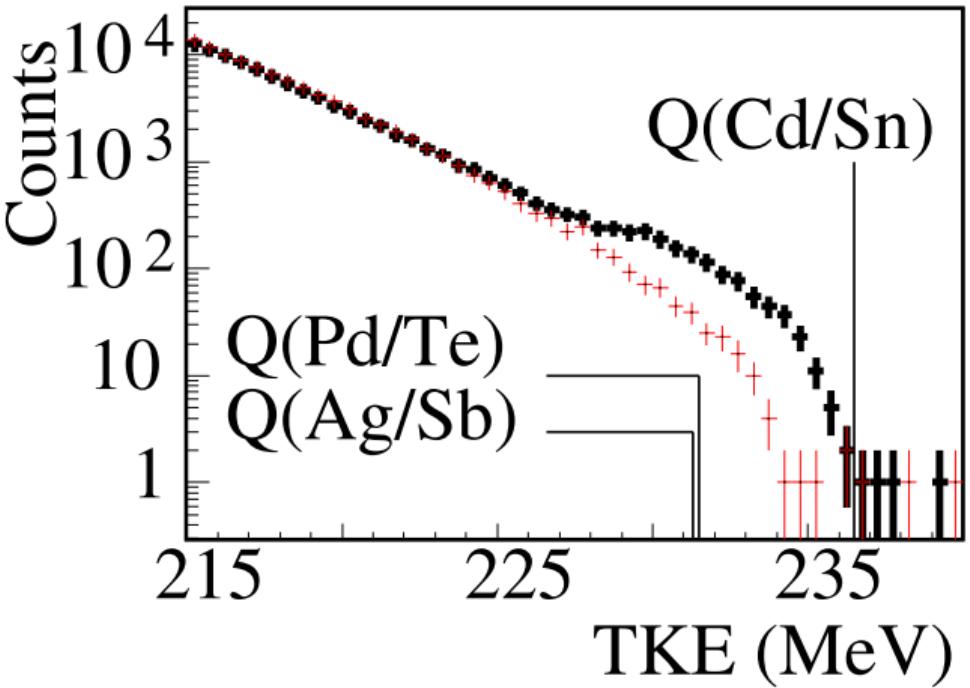
- ultra-thin backing ($5 \mu\text{g.cm}^{-2}$) allows to see neutronless fission
- Resolved masses (0.7 a.m.u.) for high TKE events: without neutron emission, $\sigma(A) = \sigma(E)$





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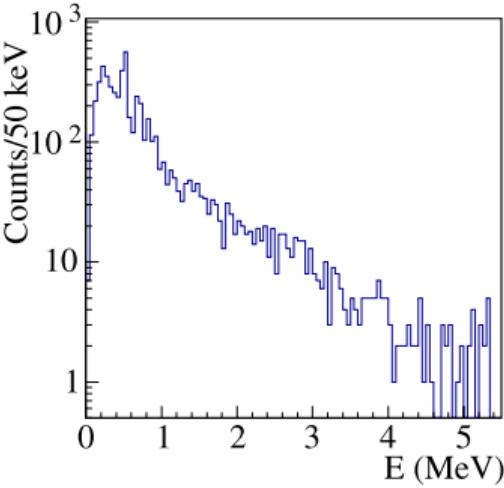
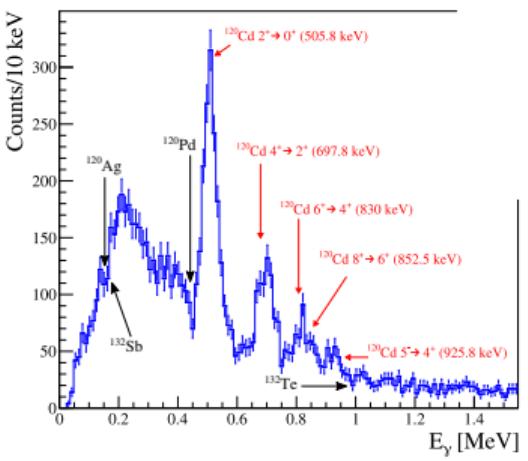
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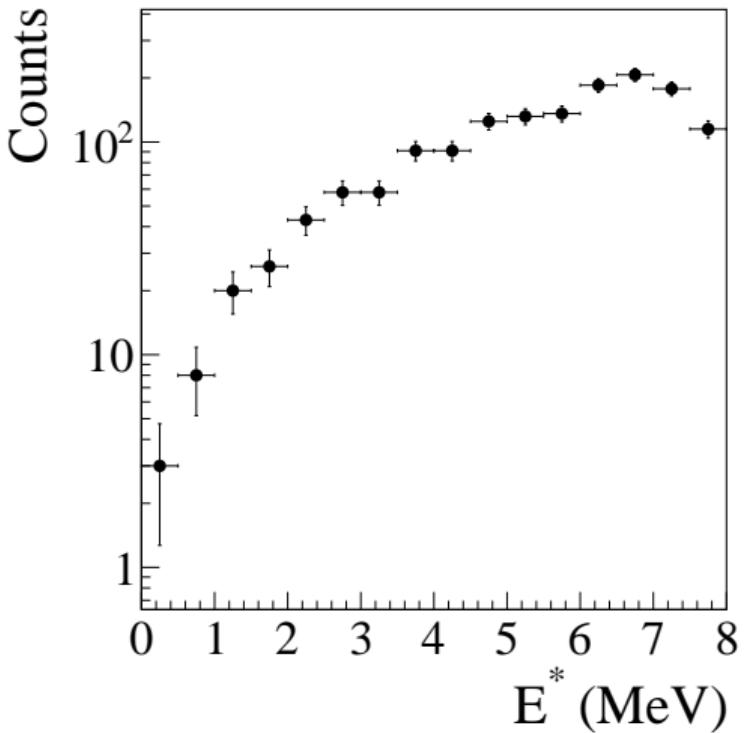
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- **Measurement of ^{120}Cd excitation energy distribution.**

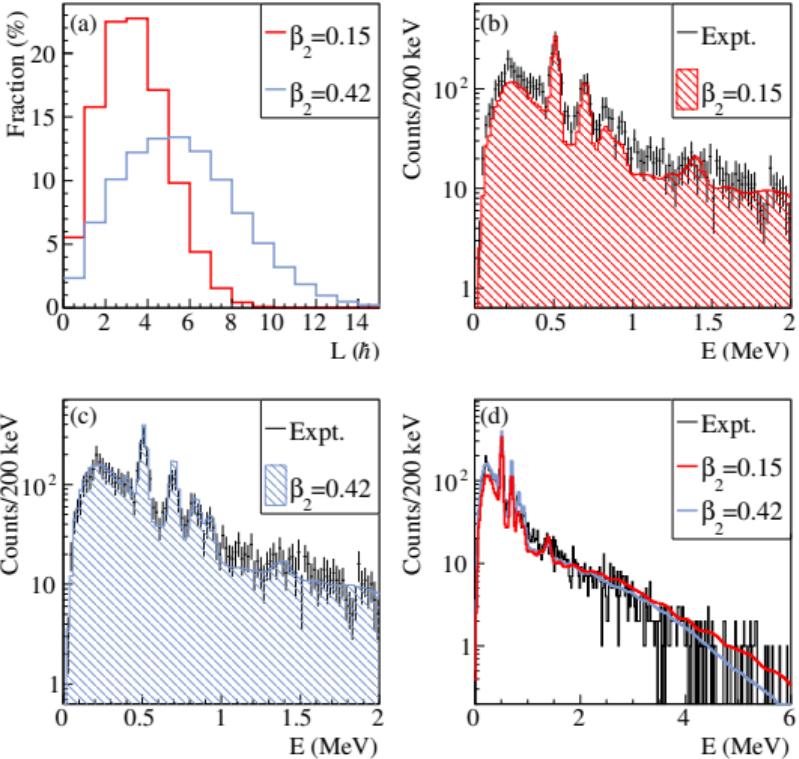




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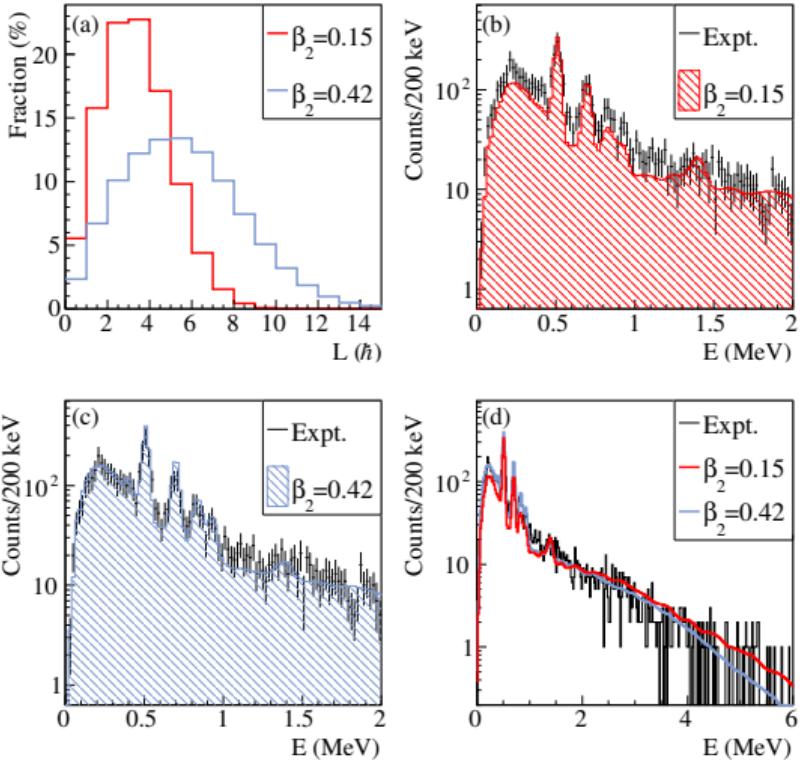
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 - Constrains the scission deformation of ^{120}Cd ($\beta_2 \sim 0.4$) [4].



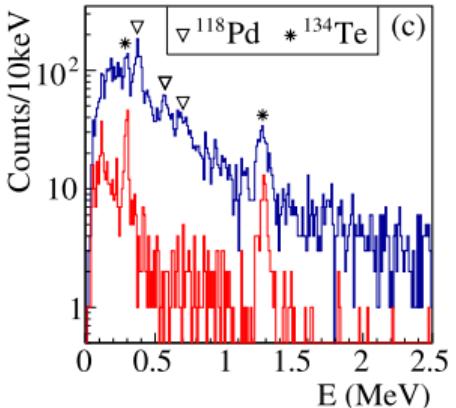
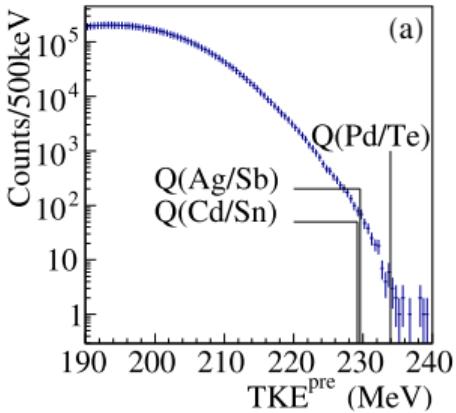
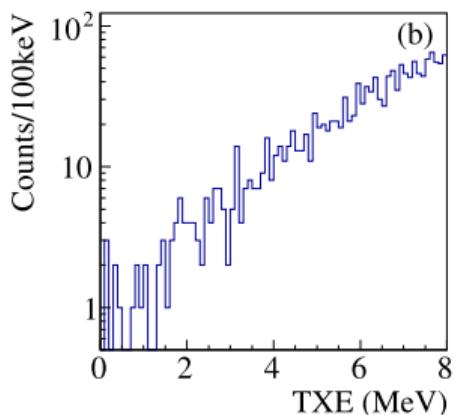
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$^{118}\text{Pd}/^{134}\text{Te}$ fragmentation

- Pd/Te identified in the same way,
- Both fragments seen in their excited states,
- delayed cascade of the 6^+ isomer of ^{134}Te is observed.
- Sharing of the TXE based on a genetic algorithm.



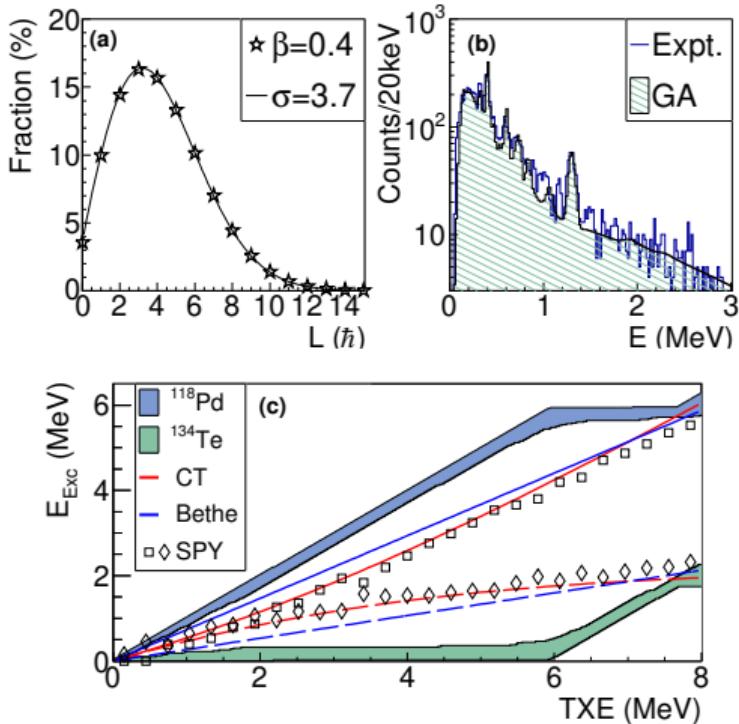


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Excitation energy repartition

- AM constrained by G. Scamps calculations.
- Compared with sharing with different models of nuclear level densities,
- The present work validates the current understanding of the EE sharing.

(Submitted to Phys. Rev. Letters.)





Summary

- First study of the γ -spectra in cold fission.
- $^{120}\text{Cd}/^{132}\text{Sn}$ (published in PRL):
 - ^{132}Sn measured in its ground state,
 - Determination of its angular momentum distribution using the orientation-pumping mechanism,
 - Constrain the scission deformation of ^{120}Cd , different from its ground state.
- $^{118}\text{Pd}/^{134}\text{Te}$ (submitted to PRL):
 - First determination of the energy repartition with a genetic algorithm,
 - All approaches reproduce the global trend, regardless of the hypothesis.



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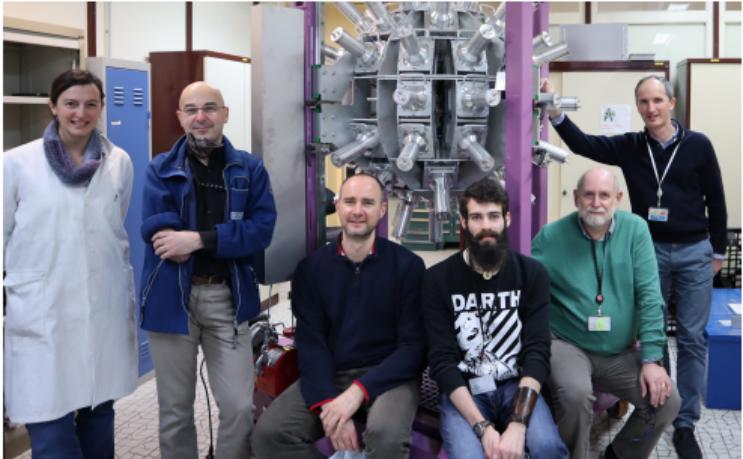
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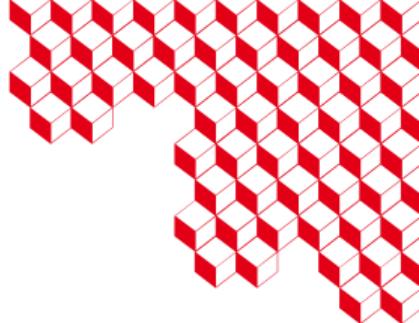
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