Understanding Excitations in ^{59,61}Co, ^{59}Ni

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High spin states in ^{59}Co ($Z = 27$), ^{59}Ni ($Z = 28$) and ^{61}Co have been populated by the fusion evaporation reactions, ^{48}Ti(^{14}C, p2n)^{59}Co, ^{48}Ti(^{14}C, 3n)^{59}Ni, and ^{50}Ti(^{14}C, p2n)^{61}Co. The 9 MV tandem accelerator at the John D Fox Laboratory, Florida State University (FSU) was used to accelerate the ^{14}C beam and the de-exciting γ rays were detected by the FSU detector array consisting of six High Purity Germanium (HPGe) clover detectors, and three single crystals. Directional correlation of the γ rays de-exciting oriented states (DCO ratios) and polarization asymmetry measurements helped to establish spin and parities of the excited states whenever possible. The level scheme of ^{59}Co has been expanded with the inclusion of positive parity states upto $31/2^+$ at around 11 MeV. The ^{59}Ni positive parity states known from previous study were veri ed with modi cations to some of the spins and parities. On the other hand, the negative parity states were extended to 31/2 at an excitation energy of 12 MeV. No new transition was observed for ^{61}Co, but one of the major bands has been reassigned as consisting of positive parity states by reason of this study which is a candidate for magnetic rotation band. Cross shell excitations were observed in the three nuclei studied and the prominent role of excitation to $g_{9/2}$ orbital crossing the $N = 40$ shell gap was established in relation to collective excitation in these nuclei by comparison with large-scale shell model calculations.

I. INTRODUCTION

There has been a lot of interest in the study of nuclei around mass number A $\approx$ 60 in recent years. For nuclei in this mass region, the protons and neutrons both lie in the fp shell, near the doubly magic, spherical nucleus ^{56}Ni which can act as a natural core for understanding excitations. ^{56}Ni has proton number and neutron number equal to 28 and therefore the nucleons ll up the $f_{7\ 2}$ shell. Any addition or subtraction of nucleons to this spherical nucleus can have an e ect on its shape at higher excitation. Nuclei with valence nucleons in the upper fp shell region, above the $f_{7\ 2}$ orbital, have the possibility of getting excited into the $g_{9\ 2}$ orbital which has been known to bring about collectivity. Therefore, nuclei in this region are perfect for the study of structural changes from spherical to deformed con gurations. Several studies have been performed to investigate these structural changes in nuclei in this upper fp shell region. The excited high spin states of ^{59}Cu and ^{61}Cu nuclei have elucidated the evolution of nuclear shapes from spherical to deformed [1, 2]. Similar studies were made on $^{57\ 60}$Mn, and ^{58}Ni about the onset of collectivity with the inclusion of the $g_{9\ 2}$ orbital [3, 4].

The collective excitations that have been observed in this mass region consist of both the magnetic rotation and the rotation due to a deformed nucleus. Magnetic rotation bands were rst observed in the near-spherical Pb isotopes with A $\approx$ 200 [5, 6], but they have also been observed in lighter nuclei like ^{58}Fe, ^{60}Ni, and ^{61}Ni [7 9]. This phenomenon is usually characterized by bands of strong M1 transitions as opposed to the E2 transitions which indicate rotation due to deformation. Magnetic dipole rotation can be explained using the shears mechanism, where there is a coupling and gradual alignment of the spin of the protons and neutrons making up the total angular momentum of the levels, with the proton and neutron spin vectors as two blades of a shear [10 12]. The cross-over E2 transitions in these bands are generally weak or sometimes not observed as documented in the previous studies on magnetic rotation [12, 13]. Magnetic transition probability, B(M1) is expected to decrease with an increase in the total angular momentum vector as the magnetic moment reduces with the closing of the shear blades.

The isotopes, $^{59\ 61}$Co and ^{59}Ni all have protons occupying the $f_{7\ 2}$ orbitals, which is completely lled for ^{59}Ni.

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The neutrons on the other hand fill in the fp orbitals above $f_{7/2}$. The experimental results from the high spin excitation will be compared to the large-scale shell model calculation for the three nuclei in consideration. The high-spin excitations give the perfect opportunity to investigate the structural changes from spherical to nearly deformed or deformed nucleus because their valence nucleons lie between the spherical closed shell nuclei and the deformation driving $g_{9/2}$ orbital. Prior investigations of ^{59}Co have not particularly focused on studying such structural changes [14–16]. Previous studies of ^{59}Ni and ^{61}Co have however focused on rotational bands and the role of the $g_{9/2}$ orbital in the development of collectivity [17, 18]. This article will focus on the single-particle and collective excitations in these three nuclei.

II. EXPERIMENTAL DETAILS

Two fusion-evaporation reaction experiments were performed at the John D Fox Laboratory, Florida State University (FSU) to populate and study the nuclei of interest. The beam used for both experiments is a long lived radioactive ^{14}C beam which was accelerated to an energy of 43 MeV using the 9 MV tandem accelerator. The targets were thin unbacked foils of ^{48}Ti and ^{50}Ti with thickness around $500\mu g/cm^2$, and highly enriched up to over 90% for the particular isotope. The reaction ^{48}Ti(^{14}C, p2n)^{59}Co populated the high spin states of ^{59}Co by the evaporation of a proton and two neutrons (p2n channel). High spin states of ^{59}Ni were also populated using the same target in the reaction ^{48}Ti(^{14}C, 3n)^{59}Ni by the evaporation of three neutrons from the compound nucleus (3n channel). The reaction ^{50}Ti(^{14}C, p2n)^{61}Co on the other hand, populated the high spin states of ^{61}Co by the evaporation of a proton and two neutrons from the compound nucleus formed (p2n channel).

The FSU γ-detector array consisting of six High Purity Germanium (HPGe) clover detectors, and three single crystal Germanium detectors was used for detecting the γ rays from the excited states of the three nuclei. Three HPGe clover detectors were coupled to Bismuth Germanium Oxide (BGO) shields, an inorganic scintillator detector, which allows for Compton suppression. The detectors in the array were placed at 90°, 45°, and 135° with respect to the beam axis. This made the calculation for the Directional Correlation of Oriented States (DCO Ratio) possible. The energy and efficiency calibrations of the germanium detector array were performed using known calibrated ^{152}Eu, ^{133}Ba, and short-lived ^{56}Co sources. The ^{56}Co source was made at FSU using a proton beam. The spectra from the non 90° detectors were corrected for Doppler shift using the β (v/c) value of recoiling nuclei and the detection angle. The PIXIE digital data acquisition system was used to record the signals from the detectors and digitize for further analysis. For this experiment, the data was collected with a 2-fold γ coincidence.

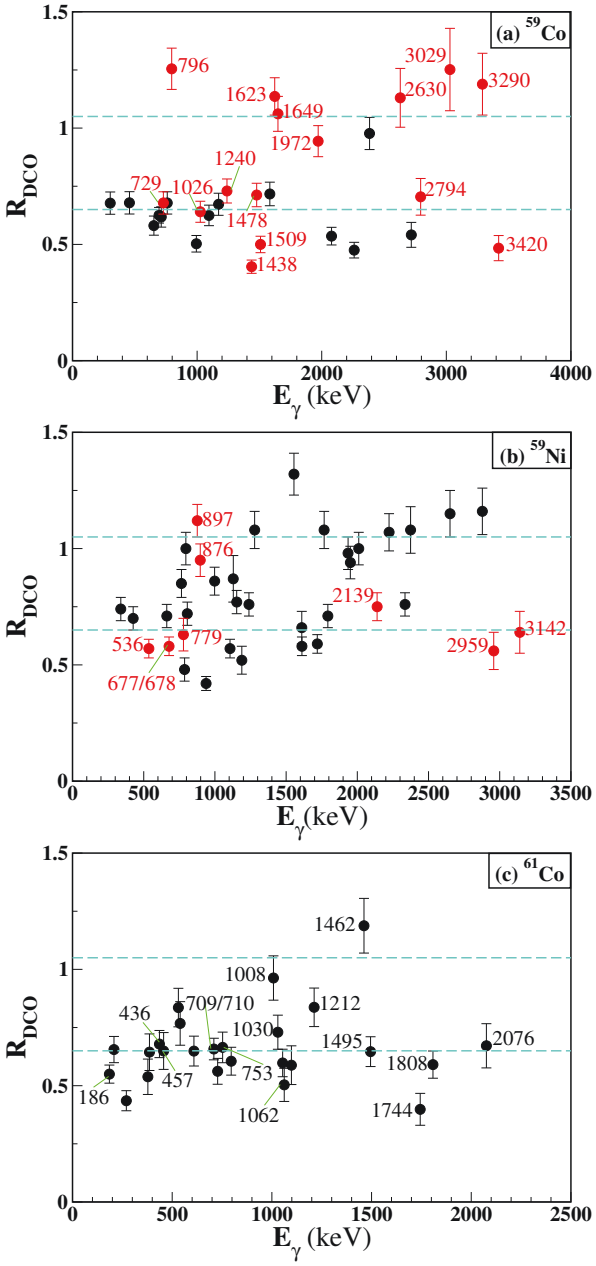

FIG. 1. (a) DCO ratio for transitions in ^{59}Co (b) DCO ratio for transitions in ^{59}Ni For both (a) and (b) points labeled in red are newly placed while those labeled in black are known transitions (c) DCO ratio for transitions in ^{61}Co. All existing transitions are labeled in black. Point 709/710 represents the two transitions 709 keV and 710 keV which are both dipole in nature. For (a), (b), and (c), the transitions were from gates made on stretched quadrupole transitions.

III. ANALYSIS

The event mode data was built into γ - γ matrices using the Gnuscope software developed at FSU [19]. This was used for γ - γ coincidence analysis to identify new γ rays in coincidence with previously known transitions, which

was then used to build up the level scheme as will be discussed. Angle-dependent asymmetric matrices were also made for Directional Correlation of Oriented States (DCO Ratio) analysis. The DCO ratio (R_{DCO}) technique was used to infer the spin change between transitions from one energy level to another. This spin change by extension was used to assign the spin of the higher energy level between levels joined by the transition. This assumes that the spin of the lower energy level is already known.

Given that γ_1, γ_2 are two γ peaks in coincidence, and θ_1, θ_2 are the angles of their detection, 90° and 135° in our case, the R_{DCO} is given by [20]

$$R_{DCO} = \frac{I^{\gamma_2}_{\theta_1}(Gate^{\gamma_1}_{\theta_2})}{I^{\gamma_2}_{\theta_2}(Gate^{\gamma_1}_{\theta_1})} \tag{1}$$

where $I^{\gamma_2}_{\theta_1}(Gate^{\gamma_1}_{\theta_2})$ is the intensity of γ_2 determined from a spectrum in detectors at θ_1 gated on γ_1 detected by detectors at θ_2.

For gates that were made on pure dipole transitions, if the R_{DCO} is around 1 ± 0.3, then the transition is dipole and if R_{DCO} is around 1.85 ± 0.35, then it is a quadrupole transition. For gates that were made on pure quadrupole transitions, if R_{DCO} is around 0.55 ± 0.15, then the transition is dipole and if R_{DCO} is around 1.05 ± 0.25, then the transition is quadrupole. The Figure 1 shows the plot of R_{DCO} with energy of γ transitions in ^{59}Co, ^{61}Co, and ^{59}Ni. The γ transitions with known multipolarities were in good agreement with our analysis giving us the confidence to make predictions for the new transitions.

Measuring the polarization asymmetry of the emitted γ rays helps in determining whether the γ ray transitions are magnetic or electric in nature. With this information, we can assign parity to the new states identified by the γ - γ coincidence analysis, having assigned spin values using the DCO ratio technique. The four crystals in the clover detectors located at 90° to the beam axis served as Compton Scattering polarimeter which makes polarization asymmetry measurements possible. The value of the polarization asymmetry A is positive for electric transitions and negative for magnetic transitions, and is given by [21]

$$A = \frac{aN_{\perp} - N_{\parallel}}{aN_{\perp} + N_{\parallel}} \tag{2}$$

$N_{\perp}$ and $N_{\parallel}$ are the numbers of γ rays Compton scattered in the perpendicular and parallel directions with respect to the beam axis. The factor, a is a correction term that is defined at A = 0 as

$$a = \frac{N_{\parallel}}{N_{\perp}} \tag{3}$$

The data was sorted into two hits for the clover detectors placed at 90° for polarization asymmetry; one parallel to the beam direction, and the other perpendicular to the beam direction. Using a ^{152}Eu unpolarized source, we measured the factor a, for different energy which was then fitted with a linear equation to obtain the factor a, as a function of energy.

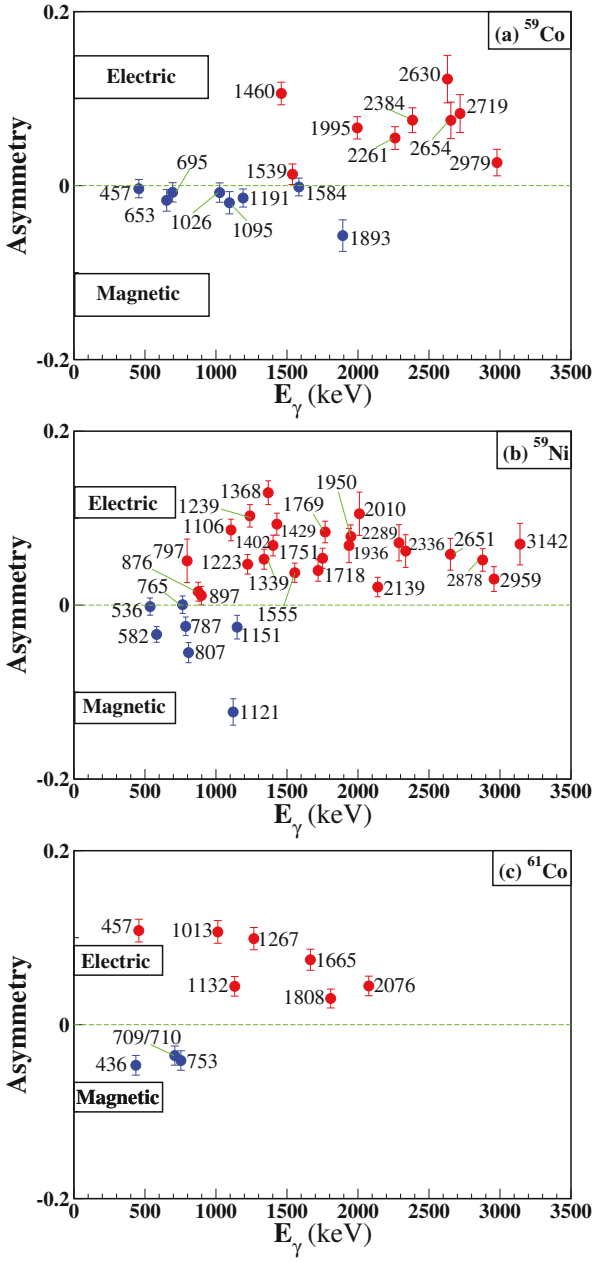

FIG. 2. The plot of polarization asymmetry vs. energy of γ-ray for (a) ^{59}Co, (b) ^{59}Ni and (c) ^{61}Co. Point 709/710 in (c) represents the two transitions 709 keV and 710 keV which are magnetic in nature. The points in red are electric transitions while the points in blue represent magnetic transitions.

$$a = -3.05 \times 10^{-5} E_{\gamma} + 1.0372 \tag{4}$$

For all the γ transitions with good statistics, we calculated their polarization asymmetry and classified them as either electric or magnetic depending on the sign of A.

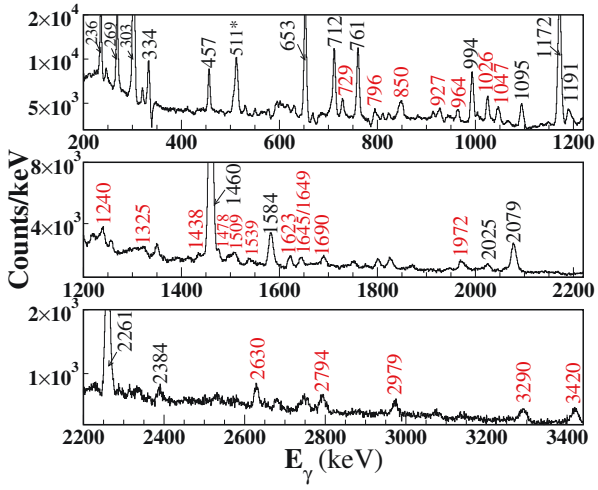

FIG. 3. 695-keV gate showing the γ ray energy peaks in ^{59}Co coincident with it. All the peaks labeled in red were newly discovered in this study. The 511-keV peak due to pair production is also shown; differentiated from other peaks with the * sign. Other peaks not labeled are possible contaminants from other nuclei also produced in the reaction.

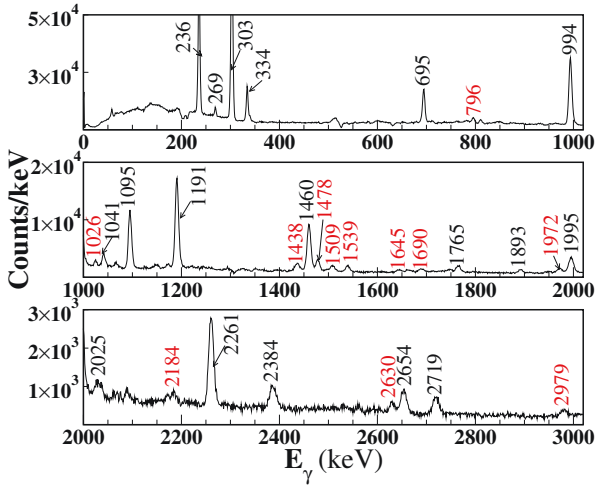

FIG. 4. 653-keV gate showing the γ ray energy peaks in ^{59}Co coincident with it. All the peaks labeled in red were newly discovered in this study. Other peaks not labeled are possible contaminants from other nuclei also produced in the reaction.

IV. RESULTS

The combination of γ - γ coincidence analysis, R_{DCO} measurement, and polarization asymmetry measurements allowed us to build new expanded level schemes for the three nuclei in this study, ^{59}Co, ^{59}Ni, and ^{61}Co.

A. Level Scheme of ^{59}Co

In a previous study by Warburton *et al.* [14] using the ^{48}Ca(^{14}N, 3n)^{59}Co reaction, a maximum spin of 23/2 at an excitation energy of about 7.5 MeV was attained. In this current work, we have been able to confirm states predicted in the previous study and assigned parities to them. We have also extended the negative parity states to $27/2^-$ at around 9.6 MeV, while identifying positive parity states upto a $J^\pi = 31/2^+$ which had not been observed in any previous study of ^{59}Co. The multipolarity of the transitions in this study based on the value of the R_{DCO} and polarization asymmetry are given in Table I. Figures 1(a) and 2(a) display the numbers for ^{59}Co. The R_{DCO} value for the new transitions as seen in Figure 1(a) is based on the fact that the transition gated upon is a quadrupole transition. The expanded level scheme of ^{59}Co can be seen in Figure 5.

Figures 3 and 4 show the coincident γ ray peaks when gates were defined on the 695-keV and the 653-keV transitions. These two gates show most of the transitions already known (labeled in black), and the new ones observed in this study (labeled in red). The unlabeled peaks in the figures are mostly from other contaminants produced in this reaction. There are a few peaks that might be in ^{59}Co but we were unable to place them in the level scheme.

We have made an adjustment to two energy levels from the published level scheme in Ref [14]. The 3326-keV and 4087-keV levels have now been replaced with the 2915-keV and 3628-keV levels. This is driven by the fact that the observed intensities for the γ rays feeding the levels did not support the arrangement in the previous study. There are closeby 1168-keV and 1177-keV γ transitions observed in ^{56}Mn and ^{60}Co respectively, which influence the intensity of the 1172-keV γ transition observed in ^{59}Co. These nuclei are all produced in the reactions ^{14}C + ^{48}Ti (this current study) and ^{14}N + ^{48}Ca (previous study by study by Warburton *et al.* [14, 22]) according to PACE calculations [23]. The intensity of the 1172-keV transition in ^{59}Co according to this study was used to determine its placement, and hence changed from where it was placed in the level scheme of Ref [14] as seen in Figure 5.

A major addition from the current work for ^{59}Co, is the identification of positive parity states which clearly form a cascade. The transitions at 2654-, 1995- and 2261-keV were already known from previous studies and their placement could be verified in the current study. From the present R_{DCO} values these transitions were confirmed to be dipole transitions, but further, the polarization asymmetry measurements suggest that they are of electric nature, making them E1 transitions. This implies that they connect states with opposite parities. With the parities of the lower levels being negative we can conclude that the 2654-keV transition links the $11/2^+$ to the $9/2^-$ state, the 1995-keV transition links $13/2^+$ to $11/2^-$ state and the 2261-keV transition links the $15/2^+$ to the $13/2^-$ state. Beyond the $15/2^+$ a series of strong M1 transitions were observed connecting the positive parity states with no crossover E2 transitions. The multipolarities concluded for all the transitions based on R_{DCO}

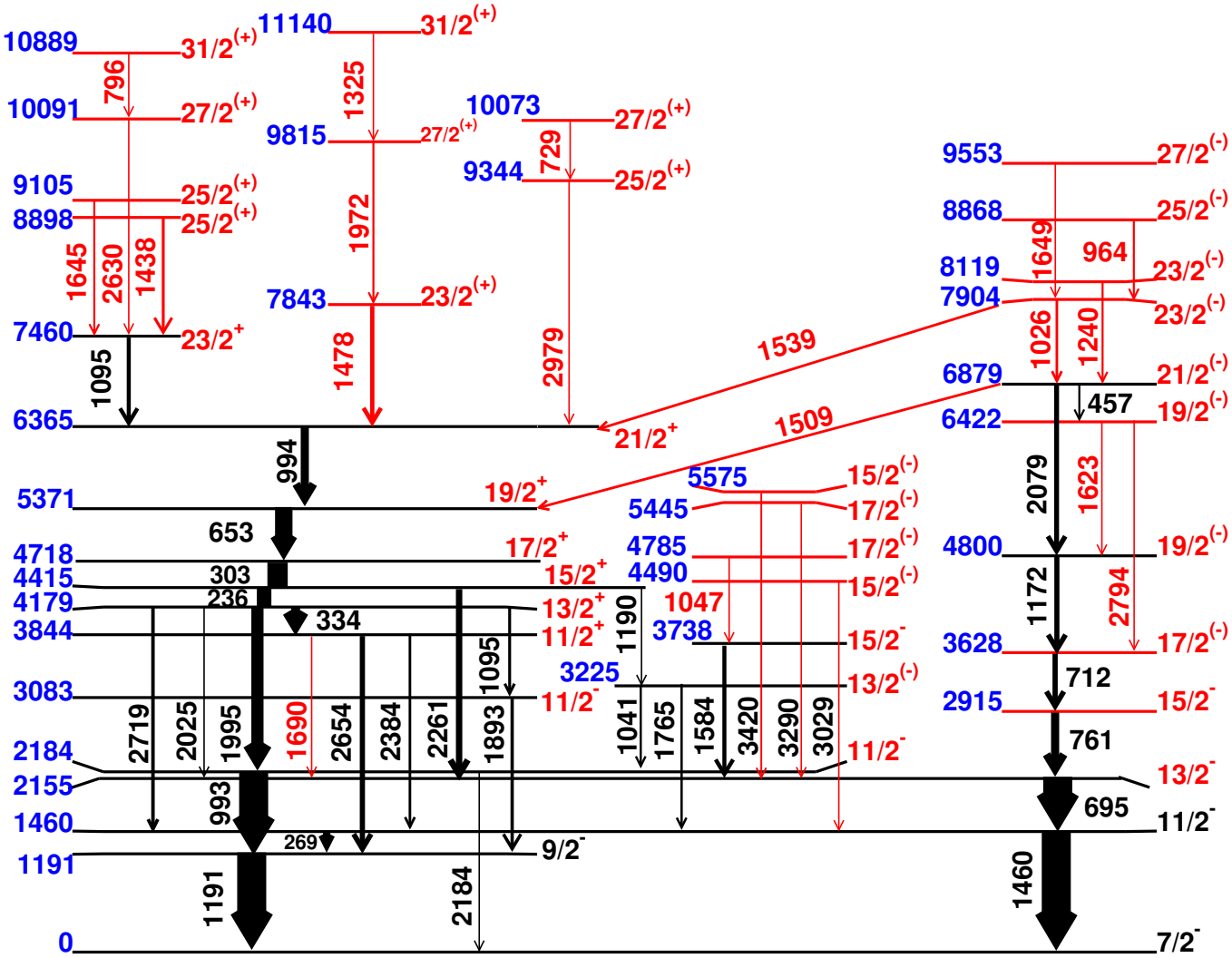

FIG. 5. Level scheme of ^{59}Co. All lines and labels in red are transitions and levels that were newly discovered in this study, while those in black have been discovered in previous studies. The thickness of the line arrows are approximately proportional to the intensity of the transitions.

values and polarization asymmetry are listed in Table I with some plotted in Figures 1(a) and 2(a).

In all, 22 new transitions were observed which resulted in 20 new energy levels. Nine of these new energy levels are of positive parity, in addition to seven existing energy levels have now been identi ed as positive parity states.

B. Level Scheme of ^{59}Ni

In an earlier study by S. Juutinen *et al.* [24] in 1989, using the reaction ^{58}Ni(^{3}He, 2p)^{59}Ni, negative parity states were observed upto an excitation energy of 7.9 MeV with likely spin of 19/2 or 21/2 . Positive parity states were also identi ed in the study, and the band built on the $9/2^{+}$ state at 3057 keV was expanded to an energy level of around 6 MeV, though de nitive spin assignments were not made.

In a more recent study by C. -H. Yu *et al.* [17], using the reaction ^{40}Ca(^{29}Si, 2 2p)^{59}Ni, four rotational bands were established with the highest spin observed to be 43/2. The two strongest bands, 1 and 2, are proposed to be generated by exciting one neutron and one neutron + one proton to the $g_{9\ 2}$ orbital respectively. They also indicated that the transition quadrupole moments of these bands decrease with spin suggestive of band termination.

The expanded level scheme of ^{59}Ni as a result of this work is shown in Figure 9 where red indicates new additions. In the present study, new transitions were established which were instrumental in the extension of the existing band of negative-parity states to around 12 MeV with spin 31/2 earlier known only till 23/2 at an energy of 7954 keV from Ref. [24]. There is a new doublet of -ray transitions, 677-keV and 678-keV which appear in this band and can be seen in Figure 6 where the gate made on the 678-keV transition clearly shows the other

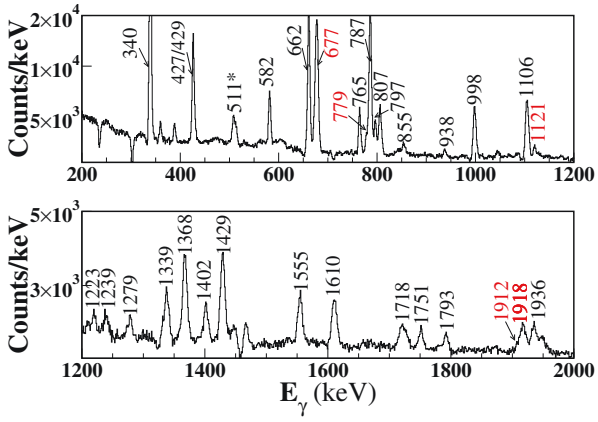

FIG. 6. Gate on 678-keV transition in ^{59}Ni. Another new 677-keV transition can be seen here. All the peaks labeled in red are some of the new transitions just observed in this study, including the 1918-keV transition. The 511-keV peak due to pair production is also shown; differentiated from other peaks with the * sign. Other peaks not labeled are possible con

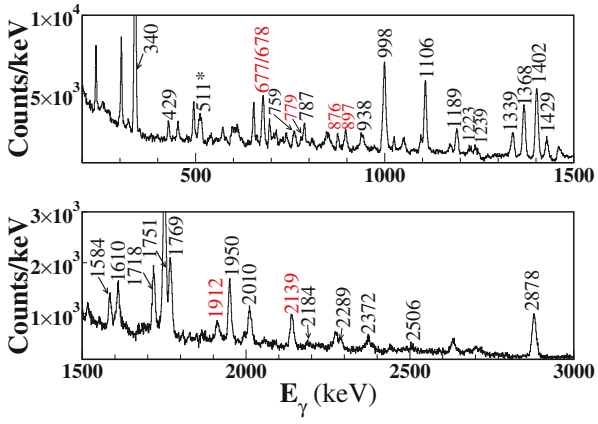

FIG. 7. Gate on 797-keV transition in ^{59}Ni. All the new transitions are labeled in red, including the 1912-keV transition. The 511-keV peak due to pair production is also shown; differentiated from other peaks with the * sign. Other peaks not labeled are possible contaminants from nuclei also produced in the reaction.

peak measured as 677-keV. The intensity of the 677-keV implies the two transitions when arranged in the level scheme should be in close proximity. Figure 6 also shows some of the other new transitions: 779-keV, 1121-keV and 1918-keV associated with this band of negative parity states. There is also a connection observed to the $17/2^+$ state at 5255 keV via a new 1912-keV transition. Though this transition is close in value to other new transition, 1918-keV which exists in the band, the gate made on the 797-keV transition as seen in Figure 7 validates the placement of the 1912-keV transition. From the 807-keV gate shown in Figure 8, we could see some of the existing transitions and some of the new transitions placed in the ^{59}Ni level scheme.

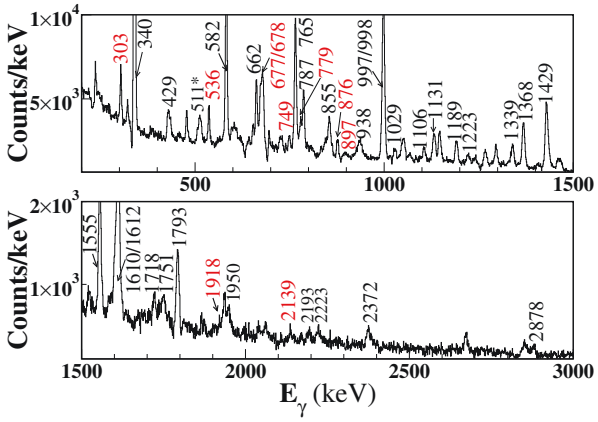

FIG. 8. Gate on 807-keV transition in ^{59}Ni. All the new transitions from the two negative bands show up here except for the 1918-keV transition. The 511-keV peak due to pair production is also shown; differentiated from other peaks with the * sign. Other peaks not labeled are possible contaminants from nuclei also produced in the reaction.

A new sequence of negative-parity states is also proposed and built on the $17/2^+$ state at 5255 keV up to an energy of 9167 keV with a spin of 27/2. The new transition 2139 keV was clearly established to be an E1 transition according to Figures 1(b) and 2(b) and it connects the negative-parity state $19/2^-$ to the $17/2^+$ state. The 897-keV transition placed above the 2139-keV transition to link the $23/2^-$ to $19/2^-$ was further established as an E2 transition. We could not estimate the polarization asymmetry of the last transition 876-keV in the sequence though we could confirm it to be quadrupole in nature from the R_{DCO} value. Two new transitions were also added to the band of negative-parity states that terminated at 5.9 MeV in the previous study by C. -H. YU *et al.,* [17]. No spin or parity was assigned to the 5.9-MeV state then, but we have been able to assign a $17/2^{(-)}$ to it in this study. We assumed that the dipole transition 997 keV is most likely to be magnetic in nature, in line with the multipolarity of the 807-keV, 582-keV, and 536-keV transitions placed below and above it. The band was extended to 7.2-MeV at $21/2^-$ by the 536-keV and 749-keV transitions.

The sequence of positive parity states seen in the level scheme of ^{59}Ni (Figure 9) is analogous to band 1 and band 2 in Ref. [17] built on the $9/2^+$ state, though we found differences in some of the proposed spins and parities. The three transitions, 1106-keV, 1718-keV and 1751-keV had been identified as dipole transitions in previous studies. Based on our polarization asymmetry measurements we further confirmed them to be electric in nature and assigned them as E1 transitions. With that the spin-parities of the $9/2^+$ and $13/2^+$ are confirmed. Further up the 979-, 2878- and 1769-keV transitions build the band to $25/2^+$ at 9902 keV. We firmly established 2878 keV and 1769 keV as E2 transitions. Beyond that we see disagreements with the level structure proposed

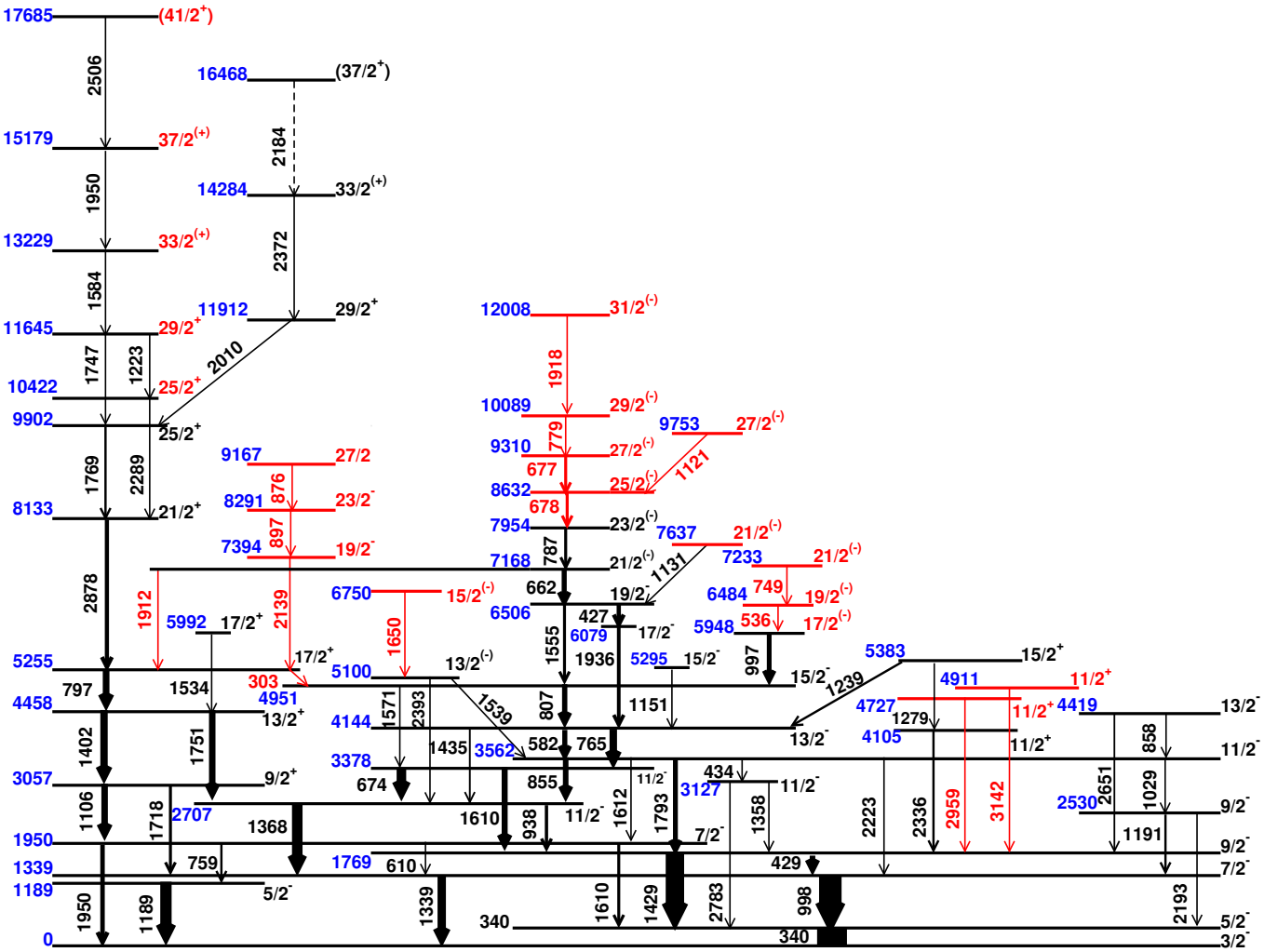

FIG. 9. Level scheme of ^{59}Ni showing the existing transitions and the new transitions observed in this study. All the energy levels in red are the newly established levels in this study. The thickness of the line arrows are approximately proportional to the intensity of the transitions.

in Ref. [17]. In the gate of 1106 keV we could see the 1747 keV transitions and its R_{DCO} suggests it to be quadrupole and not dipole as in Ref. [17]. Similarly, the 2289-keV transition is established as a E2 transition opposite to Ref. [17] where it was thought to be an E1 transition though no polarization measurements are reported there. The R_{DCO} value for 2289-keV transitions was ascertained from two gates (both con rmed E2) namely 797 keV and 2878 keV making it a E2 transition. We further con rmed that the 2010-keV and 1223-keV transitions are E2 transitions. The 2372-keV transition was shown to a quadrupole transition, though its asymmetry would not be found. Using all this information, we established a sequence of E2 transitions connecting all positive parity states extending to 17.7 MeV with spin $41/2^+$.

Overall, we observed 15 new transitions, and these in addition to some rearrangements brought about 14 new energy levels in the level scheme of ^{59}Ni.

C. Level Scheme of ^{61}Co

In a previous detailed study by Ayangeakaa *et al.* [18], the multinucleon transfer reaction, ^{26}Mg(^{48}Ca, 2 4np)^{61}Co in inverse kinematics was used to study the excited states of ^{61}Co. Six bands were identi ed as shown in the level scheme from that study, and all levels were assigned negative parity. In the current work, following the reaction ^{50}Ti(^{14}C, 2np)^{61}Co, we were able to observe ve of the six bands previously identi ed. The level scheme as ascertained in this work is shown in Figure 11 where the bands are referred to as 1 to 5 going from left to right. We were able to verify most of the transitions though we could not add any new -ray transitions. Figure 10 shows some of the transitions seen when a gate was made on the 1665-keV transition. Only two of the bands in this current study terminated on similar energy levels as in Ref. [18]. This is because of the higher -ray detection

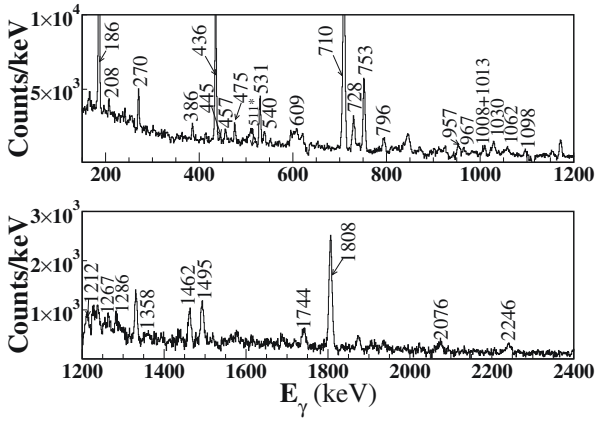

FIG. 10. Gate on the 1665-keV transition showing some of the already established transitions in ^{61}Co. No new transition was observed in this study, so all the peaks are labeled in black. The 511-keV peak due to pair production is also shown; differentiated from other peaks with the * sign. Other peaks not labeled are possible contaminants from nuclei also produced in the reaction.

efficiency of Gammasphere used in Ref. [18] compared to the FSU γ array of primarily 6 clovers. Conversely the use of Clover detectors as Compton polarimeters in the current study allowed us to examine the parities of the levels.

Consistent with the previous study, only in the fifth band starting with the $17/2^-$ state quadrupole transitions were observed connecting the exited states; all the other bands have a series of dipole transitions. We were able to clearly show that the 1267-keV has a E2 multipolarity, though for the 1008 keV we could only get a R_{DCO} value (Figure 1(c)) suggesting it to be quadrupole in nature. This band in Ref. [18] had 5 more transitions going upto a spin of 41/2 which we did not observe. But with the additional information from the current experiment, we can confirm that this band consists of E2 transitions.

As mentioned before, the inclusion of polarization measurements in this study to determine which transition is electric or magnetic in nature brought about a major change to the level scheme of ^{61}Co. The strong 1808-keV transition (see Fig. 10) connecting the states at 3473 keV and 1665 keV has now been confirmed to be dipole in nature as seen in the Figure 1(c). The polarization asymmetry measurement suggested that this transition is electric in nature as shown in Figure 2. This ascribes 1808-keV as an E1 transition which would link states of opposite parity. Hence it can be confirmed that the 1808-keV transition starts from a $13/2^+$ state at 3473 keV feeding the $11/2^-$ state at 1665 keV. The transition at 1132 keV was also confirmed to be dipole and electric in nature, thus making it an E1 transition. This served as an additional confirmation of the $13/2^+$ state in this study as it ends on the $11/2^-$ level. The 2076-keV transitions which links bands 2 and 4 is also shown to be of E1 in nature for further consistency. With the 3473 keV levels firmly assigned a positive parity, the transitions above it namely 186-, 436- and 709 keV are confirmed to be M1. Beyond that it was difficult to get both R_{DCO} and polarization asymmetry for all the transitions in the band because of low statistics and in the case of 1462 keV being a doublet. In view of all the experimental observables from this work and Ref. [18], we can confidently state that band 2 starting at the $13/2^+$ state (3473 keV) is a sequence of M1 transitions connecting states with positive parity. It also agrees very well with shell model calculations as will be discussed next.

V. DISCUSSION

The odd A nuclei studied in this work all have their valence nucleons occupying the fp shell according to the simple shell model picture. The Co isotopes, ^{59}Co and ^{61}Co have their unpaired 27^{th} proton in the $f_{7/2}$ orbital, leading to a ground state spin/parity of $7/2^-$. ^{59}Ni on the other hand has a closed shell for protons but its unpaired valence neutron lies in the $p_{3/2}$ orbital, so its ground state is $3/2^-$. Since the parity of the ground state energy level is negative, the confirmation of positive parity of some of the high spin states corresponds to excitations across the N=40 shell gap into the positive parity $g_{9/2}$ orbital. The excitations into the $g_{9/2}$ orbitals can generate high spin and are also responsible for generating collective motion.

A. Shell Model Calculation

The shell model calculations were performed utilizing the M-scheme code KSHELL on the Oakbridge-CX supercomputer at the University of Tokyo [25]. Both negative and positive parity states were generated from this shell model calculation. The model space was taken as fp shell for the negative states and the GXPF1Br interaction was used for that. For the positive states however, the model space was taken as the fp shell, $0g_{9/2}$, and $1d_{5/2}$ orbits, restricting one neutron excitation to the $0g_{9/2}$, and $1d_{5/2}$ orbits. In addition, up to 6-particle 6-hole excitation from the $0f_{7/2}$ orbit is allowed for the case of ^{59}Ni and ^{59}Co. The GXPF1Br+VMU interaction was used for the full calculation [26]. The predictions of the shell model calculation for the three nuclei in consideration align well with the experimental results. The root-mean-square (RMS) difference between the experimental results and the theoretical calculation averages below 200 keV. Figures 12, 13 and 14 show the comparison between the calculation and experiment. The asterisks in red represent the experimental results and the squares in blue are the results from the shell model calculation for the yrast states. Figures 12 (a), 13 (a) and 14 (a) additionally include the yrare states (2nd excited state of each spin), with the experimental values represented by green circles, and the calculation represented by the green line. The details of the calculations will be discussed in greater

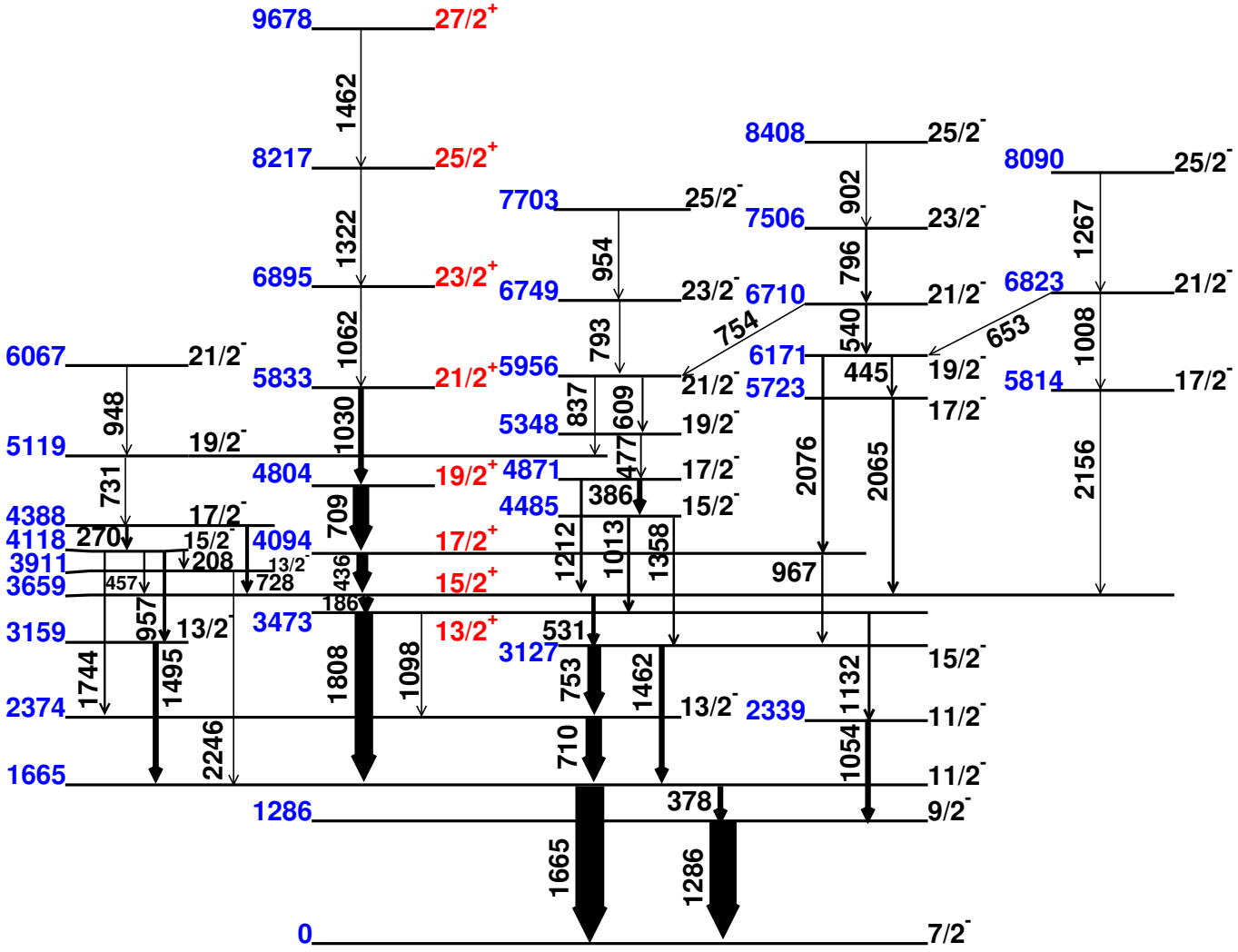

FIG. 11. Level scheme of ^{61}Co con rming the existing transitions and energy levels. The spin and parity shown in red are the new important features added to this level scheme. The thickness of the line arrows are approximately proportional to the intensity of the γ-ray transitions.

detail below, in relation to the experimental results for each.

B. ^{59}Co

^{59}Co has 27 protons and 32 neutrons, leading to all its valence nucleons in the fp shell. With 7 protons outside the closed sd shell at $Z = 20$, we expect an unpaired proton in the $0f_{7\ 2}$ orbit. The 12 neutrons on the other hand outside the closed sd shell are all paired and not contribute to the ground state spin value expected to be 7/2 because of the unpaired proton. Of the 12 neutrons, 8 neutrons ll the $0f_{7\ 2}$ orbit, while the remaining 4 neutrons are expected to ll the $1p_{3\ 2}$ orbit. However, as $1p_{3\ 2}$ and $0f_{5\ 2}$ levels are close in energy, both levels share the 4 neutrons in the ground state as per the calculations performed. This ground state con guration is veri ed by picturing ^{60}Co as ^{59}Co + n in the ^{59}Co (d,p) reaction studied by Roy et. al., to produce ^{60}Co [27]. If the four neutrons outside the closed $0f_{7\ 2}$ shell lled up the $1p_{3\ 2}$ orbit, then the (d,p) reaction leading to the ground state of ^{60}Co should be characterised by an = 3 transition (coming from the $0f_{5\ 2}$ level). But all (d,p) reactions leading to the ground state and the isomeric state at 60 keV have = 1 (coming from the $1p_{3\ 2}$ level), therefore pointing to the fact that there is a vacancy in the $1p_{3\ 2}$ orbit in ^{59}Co to accommodate a neutron. We conclude therefore that in the ground state, ^{59}Co likely has 2 valence neutrons each in the $1p_{3\ 2}$ and $0f_{5\ 2}$ levels consistent with the shell model calculations.

The excitations at low spin to negative parity states are likely single particle excitations within the fp shell, *i.e.* $0p0h$ excitations. The shell model calculations for the $0p0h$ negative-parity states align well with the experimental result up till the 27/2 level as seen in Fig-

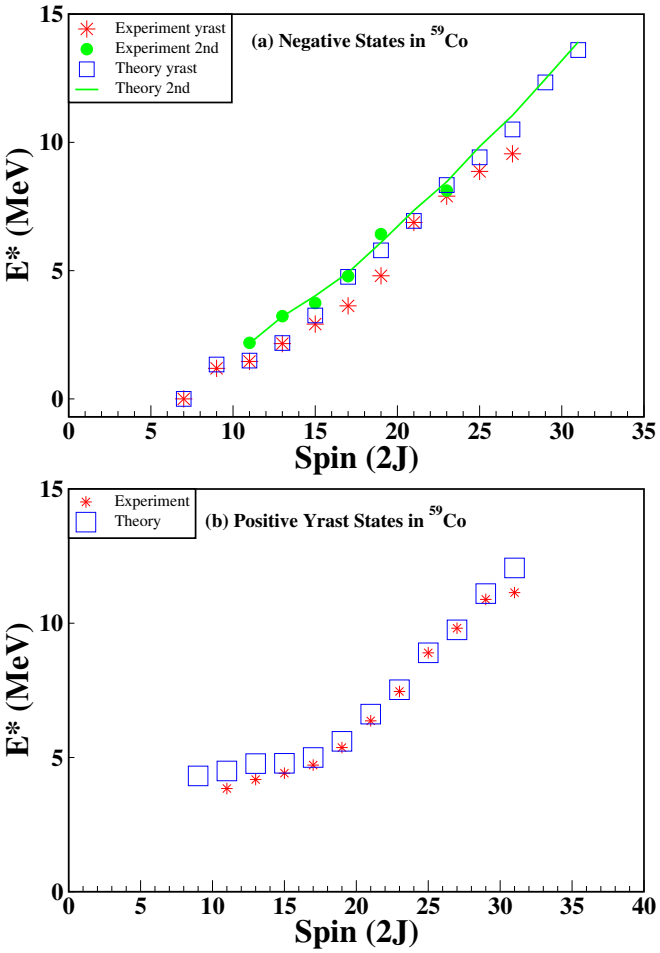

FIG. 12. Comparison of theoretical shell model calculation with experimental results in ^{59}Co. The red star symbol represents experimental values while the blue box symbol represents values from the theoretical shell model calculation. In (a), we have represented the second states with green color; circles for experimental values, and line for the theoretical shell model calculation.

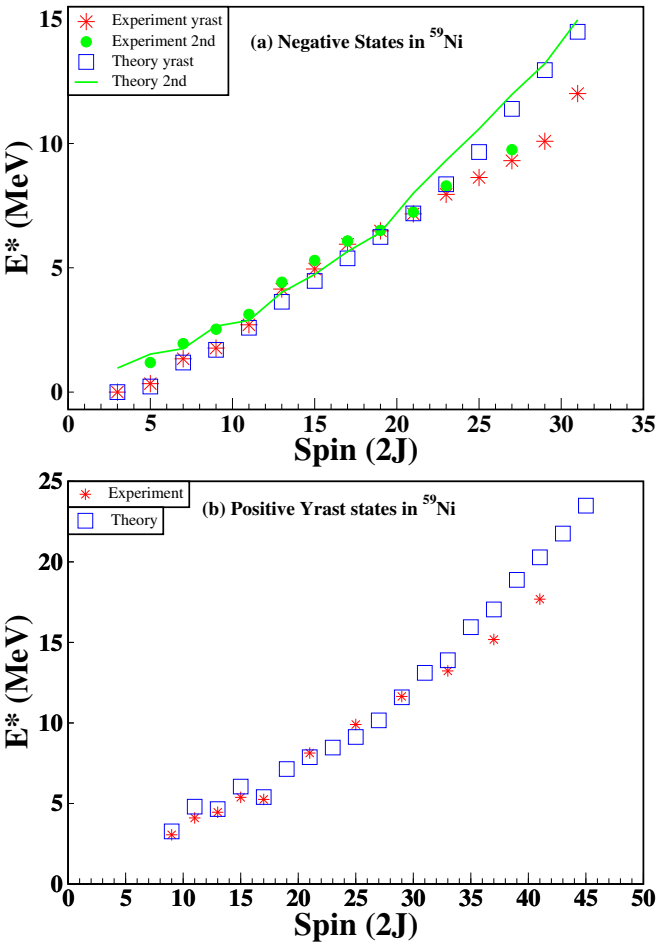

FIG. 13. Comparison of theoretical shell model calculation with experimental results in ^{59}Ni. The red star symbol represents experimental values while the blue box symbol represents values from the theoretical shell model calculation. In (a), we have represented the second states with green color; circles for experimental values, and line for the theoretical shell model calculation.

ure 12. The positive parity states arise from $1p1h$ excitations where a nucleon is excited to the $g_{9\ 2}$ orbit leaving an even number of neutrons in the fp shell for a positive state to be formed. From Figure 12, we can see a very good agreement between the shell model calculation and the experimental result. The $9/2^+$ state predicted by the calculation as the lowest positive parity state was not observed in the experiment because it is not yrast.

The positive parity states in ^{59}Co form a regular pattern with a series of strong M1 transitions from the $11/2^+$ state upwards to the $21/2^+$ state. Thus they can also be viewed in terms of collective excitation because of the regularity observed in the transitions linking the states. The presence of strong M1 transitions points to the possibility of a magnetic rotation band. In magnetic transition bands, the magnetic transition probability, experimentally indicated by transition intensities is expected to decrease until the band terminates. The $g_{9\ 2}$ orbit involved in the formation of positive states allows high spin to be generated and also ful lls the neutron particle, proton hole coupling condition for magnetic rotation as explained by R. M. Clark, and A. O. Macchiavelli [13]. The con guration for the proposed bandhead at $11/2^+$ according to the shell model calculation is $(fp)^7 \otimes ((fp)^{11} g^1_{9\ 2})$ with a neutron excited to the $g_{9\ 2}$ orbit.

C. ^{59}Ni

^{59}Ni has a full $0f_{7\ 2}$ orbital for both protons and neutrons, leaving 3 extra neutrons to ll the $1p_{3\ 2}$ orbit. With this con guration, the spin-parity of the ground state is $3/2$ as a consequence of an unpaired neutron in the $1p_{3\ 2}$ orbit. The rst excited state with $5/2$ is generated by the unpaired neutron moving from the $1p_{3\ 2}$

orbital to the $0f_{5/2}$ and is seen experimentally at 340 keV. The low-lying negative parity excited states have irregular energy transitions linking them that are suggestive of single-particle excitations within the fp shell. Other nuclei in this A = 60 mass region have been found to exhibit similar single particle excitation for the low-lying states [9, 18]. There is a very good agreement between the shell model calculations for the negative parity states (no particle allowed to leave the fp shell) and experimental results up until the 23/2 as seen in Figure 13. We however see a pronounced variation from the 25/2 state and beyond. This variation can be due to a different configuration for these high spin states which are favorable for collective excitations. The excitation energy needed to generate the states in the collective model is likely lower than in the shell model picture.

The first excited positive parity state from the level scheme is a $9/2^+$ state and can be easily generated by having a neutron in the $g_{9/2}$ orbit while all the other nucleons are paired in the fp shell. The shell model calculation for the yrast positive states aligns well with the experimental results up till the $33/2^+$ state. Further up, starting from the $37/2^+$ state we see a clear discrepancy between the shell model calculations and experimental results. The discrepancy here may also be due to a change in the configuration not captured by the shell model calculations as we move from the $33/2^+$ level to $37/2^+$. Such a change of configuration was also observed in rotational bands in the study of ^{61}Ni [9], where the two configurations were illustrated by two fits to the rotational model.

Among the positive parity states, there is a sequence of regular E2 transitions from $9/2^+$ to $41/2^+$ which points to a rotational motion. Since it is the rotation of a deformed nucleus that gives rise to regular bands observed in the spectrum of nuclei [13], it suggests ^{59}Ni being somewhat deformed at high excitation energy. Deformed bands have been established in ^{59}Ni by C. -H. Yu *et al.* [17]. Cranked Nilsson-Strutinsky (CNS) calculations [28] were performed and there was an indication of substantial collectivity in the band structures of ^{59}Ni. Similar deformed bands with a sequence of E2 transitions were also established in the neutron-rich ^{61}Ni by Soumik Bhattacharya *et al.* [9]. The negative parity high spin states from 19/2 to 31/2 also show some regularity with strong M1 transitions connecting the states. This could be an indication of magnetic rotation, which we also observed in ^{59}Co. The configuration of the proposed bandhead at 19/2 from the shell model calculation is $(f_{7/2}^{1}\, p_{1/2}^{1})\otimes\ (f_{7/2}^{1} p_{3/2}^{1}\, p_{1/2}^{1})$ which makes it possible to generate high spin.

The implication of this result is that we have two modes of excitation in this nucleus competing; one driven by the deformation of the nucleus, and the other, magnetic rotation due to the angular momentum coupling of the protons and holes. Though this is not new as has been noted earlier in Refs [7 9, 18] in their study of ^{61}Co, ^{58}Fe, ^{60}Ni, and ^{61}Ni still it is interesting to see the extent of such a phenomenon with changing neutron numbers.

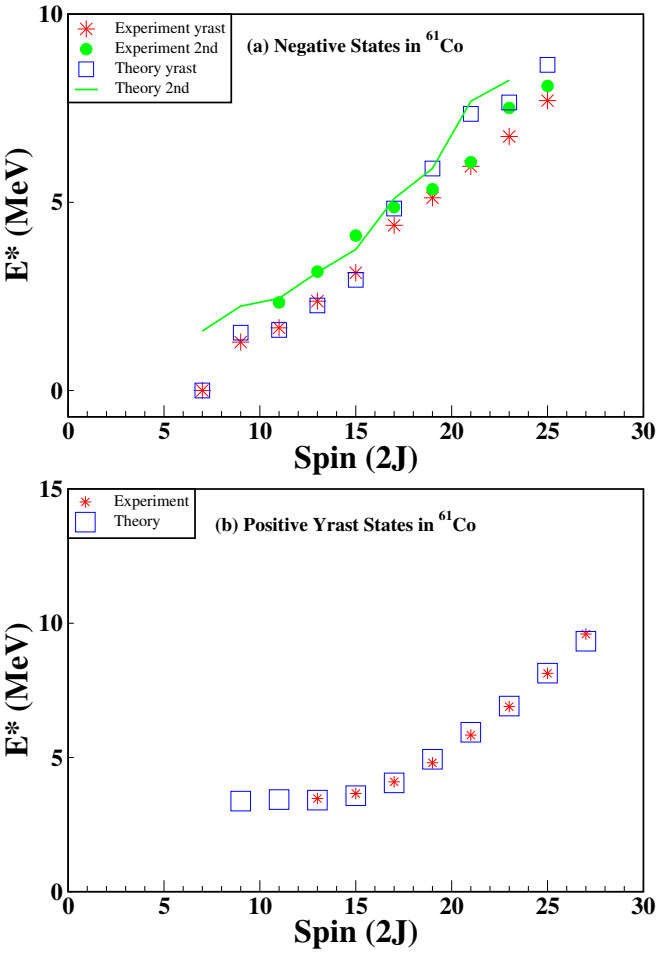

FIG. 14. Comparison of theoretical shell model calculation with experimental results in ^{61}Co. The red star symbol represents experimental values while the blue box symbol represents values from the theoretical shell model calculation. In (a), we have represented the second states with green color; circles for experimental values, and line for the theoretical shell model calculation.

D. ^{61}Co

^{61}Co with 27 protons and 34 neutrons has a ground state spin-parity of 7/2 just like ^{59}Co. It can be seen as ^{59}Co + 2n, so it is expected that excitations for the two isotopes have similarities. The first four excited states in the two nuclei are similar in energy levels. The first excited state, 9/2 is at 1.19 MeV and 1.29 MeV in ^{59}Co and ^{61}Co respectively. The difference in the energies of the yrast states are 95 keV at 9/2 , 205 keV at 11/2 , 219 keV at 13/2 and 211 keV at 15/2 . Therefore, it can be expected that the same pattern of excitation will follow at low spins before the additional neutron pair is broken, and its excitation contributes to the spin of the nucleus. These considerable similarities in the low-lying

spins are in agreement with the conclusions of Ref. [15] on the similarities between the energy levels of the low-lying states of ^{57}Co, ^{59}Co and ^{61}Co.

The randomness of the transitions within the low-lying negative parity states in the level scheme suggests single particle excitation and seems to follow a $0p0h$ excitation pattern. Figure 14 shows the comparison between the shell model calculation and the experimental results. Overall, a good agreement is observed, except for negative parity states from around $21/2$ upwards, where there seems to be a departure between the calculation and the experiment. It can be seen from the level scheme that the high-lying negative parity states are all linked by transitions to the $13/2^+$, $15/2^+$ and $17/2^+$ states which are $1p1h$ excitation and hence they could possibly represent $2p2h$ excitations, with two nucleons residing in the $g_{9\ 2}$ orbit. Con gurations involving two $g_{9\ 2}$ neutrons were also suggested by ref [18] while discussing rotational bands in the high-lying negative states of ^{61}Co.

The positive parity states assigned in this study of ^{61}Co are a natural extension of what we observed in ^{59}Co. In Ref. [18] these were not proposed as positive parity states as linear polarization measurement was not performed in that study. They did though observe a difference in the excitation pattern above 4 MeV, (which corresponds to $17/2^+$) and therefore suggested that the description of higher-lying states in ^{61}Co should be carried out in an expanded model space beyond the fp shell [18], which has been done in this current study to predict the positive states. From Figure 14, we see an excellent agreement between the shell model calculations for the positive parity states and the experimental results. The regularity observed in this band of positive states which contains a series of strong M1 transitions is again an indication of magnetic rotation. The con guration for the proposed bandhead $13/2^+$ shows a neutron in the $g_{9\ 2}$ orbit just like in ^{59}Co. The other bands of high-lying negative states also have strong M1 transitions and could be candidates for magnetic rotation too. We also observe the established band of E2 transitions indicative of rotation due to deformation, but it terminates quickly in this study.

Just as was discussed for ^{59}Ni, di erent modes of excitations are observed in the case of ^{61}Co. Ref [18] concluded that in ^{61}Co, quadrupole collectivity associated with a prolate shape competes for yrast status with the magnetic rotation of a nearly spherical system. Our results in general also support the notion that there is a competition between the magnetic rotation and the rotation due to deformation in this nucleus.

VI. SUMMARY

In the current work, we have studied the structure of three nuclei with $A \approx 60$; namely ^{59}Co, ^{59}Ni and ^{61}Co using a ^{14}C beam on ^{48}Ti and ^{50}Ti targets. The level scheme of ^{59}Co now includes positive parity states which has been extended to $31/2^+$ at around 11 MeV. The positive parity states in the ^{59}Ni level scheme are now extended to $41/2^+$ at excitation energy 17.7 MeV. The negative parity states have also been extended to $31/2$ at excitation energy of 12 MeV. There were no new transitions observed for ^{61}Co, but one of the major bands has been reassigned as positive parity states by reason of this study.

It can be concluded from this study that the low-lying negative states in the three nuclei represent single particle excitations with the nucleons limited to the fp shell. The positive parity states and possibly the high-lying negative states in these nuclei are highly in uenced by the presence of nucleons in the $g_{9\ 2}$ orbit. The presence of either strong $E2$ or $M1$ transitions observed in these nuclei suggests a form of collective excitation; both magnetic rotation and rigid rotor-type rotation were observed. We conclude that collective excitation in ^{59}Co is dominated by magnetic rotation which can be explained by the shears mechanism. However, the collective excitations in ^{59}Ni and ^{61}Co are both in the form of magnetic rotation and rotations due to deformation. This implies that placing neutrons in the $g_{9\ 2}$ orbit creates deformation in ^{59}Ni and ^{61}Co which in turn brings about a rotation that competes with the magnetic rotation occurring with little to no deformation. The three nuclei studied highlight the competition between single particle excitations and collective excitations in the excited states observed. The large scale shell model calculations presented here do an excellent job of reproducing the excited states for the most part. However the departures at the very high spins clearly point to the need for re nements of calculation to include more than one nucleon moving to the $g_{9\ 2}$ orbit.

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Appendices

TABLE I: This table show the details of the γ transitions observed in this present work on ^{59}Co. The DCO ratio (R_{DCO}) was calculated for quadrupole transitions except for those with the D symbol which are from dipole transitions.

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E_i (keV)	E_f (keV)	E_γ (keV)	Branching Ratio	J_i^π	J_f^π	R_{DCO}	Asymmetry	Multipolarity
1190.7 (5)	0	1190.7 (5)	100	$9/2^-$	$7/2^-$	0.91 (6)^D	-0.014 (10)	M1
1460.4 (5)	0	1460.4 (5)	100 (10)	$11/2^-$	$7/2^-$	1.63 (9)^D	0.013 (13)	E2
	1190.7	269.2 (5)	8 (1)	$11/2^-$	$9/2^-$	1.26 (9)^D		D
2154.9 (7)	1460.4	694.5 (5)	100	$13/2^-$	$11/2^-$	0.63 (5)	-0.0077 (11)	M1
2183.7 (8)	1190.7	993.0 (6)	100 (10)	$11/2^-$	$9/2^-$	1.03 (7)^D		D
	0	2183.7 (8)	7 (1)	$11/2^-$	$7/2^-$			
2915.4(10)	2154.9	760.5 (7)	100	$15/2^-$	$13/2^-$	0.68 (5)	-0.0005 (9)	M1/E2
3083.4 (8)	1190.7	1892.7 (6)	100	$11/2^-$	$9/2^-$	1.04 (7)^D	-0.057 (18)	M1
3224.9 (9)	2183.7	1041.2 (5)	100 (12)	$13/2^{(-)}$	$11/2^-$	1.00 (14)^D		D
	1460.4	1764.9 (9)	48 (5)	$13/2^{(-)}$	$11/2^-$	1.07 (11)^D		D
3627.5(11)	2915.4	712.1 (5)	100	$17/2^{(-)}$	$15/2^-$	0.62 (5)		D
3738.4(9)	2154.9	1583.5(5)	100	$15/2^-$	$13/2^-$	0.71 (5)	-0.0016 (10)	M1
3844.3(10)	1190.7	2653.6 (6)	100 (13)	$11/2^+$	$9/2^-$	0.81 (6)^D	0.075 (21)	E1
	1460.4	2383.9 (9)	89 (9)	$11/2^+$	$11/2^-$	0.98 (7)	0.075 (14)	E2, J = 0
	2154.9	1690.2 (8)	27 (3)	$11/2^+$	$13/2^-$	0.79 (6)^D		D
4178.7(11)	2183.7	1995.3 (5)	100 (13)	$13/2^+$	$11/2^-$	0.97 (7)^D	0.066 (13)	E1
	3844.3	334.4 (5)	81 (11)	$13/2^+$	$11/2^+$	0.97 (7)^D		D
	1460.4	2719.4 (5)	29 (5)	$13/2^+$	$11/2^-$	0.54 (5)	0.083 (22)	E1
	3083.4	1095.1 (5)	21 (5)	$13/2^+$	$11/2^-$	0.62 (5)		D
	2154.9	2025.3 (5)	14 (3)	$13/2^+$	$13/2^-$			J = 0
4414.6(11)	4178.7	235.9 (5)	100 (11)	$15/2^+$	$13/2^+$	1.14 (3)^D		D
	2154.9	2260.6 (5)	46 (9)	$15/2^+$	$13/2^-$	0.48 (5)	0.055 (13)	E1
	3224.9	1190.3 (6)	12 (3)	$15/2^+$	$13/2^-$	0.91 (6)^D		D
4489.6(9)	1460.4	3029.2 (8)	100	$15/2^{(-)}$	$11/2^-$	1.25 (18)		Q
4717.5(12)	4414.6	302.9 (5)	100	$17/2^+$	$15/2^+$	0.68 (5)		D
4785.2(13)	3738.4	1046.8 (9)	100	$17/2^{(-)}$	$15/2^-$	1.23 (9)^D		D
4799.9(12)	3627.5	1172.4 (5)	100	$19/2^{(-)}$	$17/2^{(-)}$	0.67 (5)		D
5370.6(13)	4717.5	653.1 (5)	100	$19/2^+$	$17/2^+$	0.58 (4)	-0.017 (12)	M1
5444.8(11)	2154.9	3289.9 (9)	100	$17/2^{(-)}$	$13/2^-$	1.19 (13)		Q
5574.8(11)	2154.9	3419.9 (9)	100	$15/2^{(-)}$	$13/2^-$	0.48 (5)		D
6364.6(14)	5370.6	994.0 (6)	100	$21/2^+$	$19/2^+$	0.50 (5)		D
6422.4(13)	4799.9	1622.5 (5)	100 (12)	$19/2^{(-)}$	$19/2^{(-)}$	1.14 (8)		J = 0
	3627.5	2794.0 (7)	65 (8)	$19/2^{(-)}$	$17/2^{(-)}$	0.70 (8)		D
6878.7(14)	5370.6	1508.9 (5)	100 (13)	$21/2^{(-)}$	$19/2^+$	0.50 (5)		D
	4799.9	2078.8 (5)	73 (8)	$21/2^{(-)}$	$19/2^{(-)}$	0.54 (5)		D
	6422.4	457.1 (5)	69 (7)	$21/2^{(-)}$	$19/2^{(-)}$	0.68 (5)	-0.0035 (10)	M1
7459.7(15)	6364.6	1095.1 (5)	100	$23/2^+$	$21/2^+$	0.62 (5)	-0.020 (13)	M1
7842.7(15)	6364.6	1478.1 (5)	100	$23/2^{(+)}$	$21/2^+$	0.71 (5)		D
7903.9(15)	6364.6	1539.3 (5)	100 (9)	$23/2^{(-)}$	$21/2^+$	1.16 (8)^D	0.013 (12)	E1
	6878.7	1025.6 (6)	9 (1)	$23/2^{(-)}$	$21/2^{(-)}$	0.64 (5)	-0.0080 (11)	M1
8118.5(16)	6878.7	1239.8(8)	100	$23/2^{(-)}$	$21/2^{(-)}$	0.73 (5)		D
8868.1 (16)	7903.9	964.2 (6)	100	$25/2^{(-)}$	$23/2^{(-)}$	0.66 (6)		D
8898.2(16)	7459.7	1437.6 (6)	100	$25/2^{(+)}$	$23/2^+$	0.41 (5)		D

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E_i (keV)	E_f (keV)	E_γ (keV)	Branching Ratio	J_i^π	J_f^π	R_{DCO}	Asymmetry	Multipolarity
9105.4(17)	7459.7	1644.8 (9)	100	$25/2^{(+)}$	$23/2^+$	1.14 (8)^D		D
9343.8(15)	6364.6	2979.2 (5)	100	$25/2^{(+)}$	$21/2^+$	2.08 (23)^D	0.027 (15)	E2
9552.9(16)	7903.9	1649.0 (5)	100	$27/2^{(-)}$	$23/2^{(-)}$	1.06 (11)		Q
9815.1(16)	7842.7	1971.5 (5)	100	$27/2^{(+)}$	$23/2^{(+)}$	0.94 (7)	0.21 (4)	E2
10073.2(16)	9343.8	729.4 (5)	100	$27/2^{(+)}$	$25/2^{(+)}$	0.68 (5)		D
10091.0(16)	7459.7	2630.4 (6)	100	$27/2^{(+)}$	$23/2^+$	1.13 (13)	0.12 (5)	E2
10888.7(17)	10091.0	795.7 (7)	100	$31/2^{(+)}$	$27/2^{(+)}$	1.25 (8)		Q
11140.1(18)	9815.1	1325.0 (8)	100	$31/2^{(+)}$	$27/2^{(+)}$	1.64 (12)^D		Q
End of Table								

TABLE II: This table show the details of the γ transitions observed in this present work on ^{59}Ni. The R_{DCO} was calculated for quadrupole transitions except for those with the D symbol which are from dipole transitions

Begin of Table								
E_i (keV)	E_f (keV)	E_γ (keV)	Branching Ratio	J_i^π	J_f^π	R_{DCO}	Asymmetry	Multipolarity
339.5(5)	0	339.5(5)	100	$5/2^-$	$3/2^-$	0.74 (5)		D
1189.0(5)	0	1189.0(5)	100	$5/2^-$	$3/2^-$	0.52 (6)		D
1339.0(6)	339.5	998.0(5)	100 (10)	$7/2^-$	$5/2^-$	0.96 (6)^D		D
	0	1339.0(6)	42 (5)	$7/2^-$	$3/2^-$	1.67 (16)^D	0.053 (11)	E2
1768.5(7)	339.5	1429.0(5)	100 (8)	$9/2^-$	$5/2^-$	0.93 (13)	0.093 (13)	E2
	1339.0	429.1(8)	25 (3)	$9/2^-$	$7/2^-$	0.87 (9)^D		D
1949.7(7)	0	1949.7(7)	100 (8)	$7/2^-$	$3/2^-$	0.94 (7)	0.079 (13)	E2
	339.5	1610.4(5)	58 (6)	$7/2^-$	$5/2^-$	0.58 (4)		D
	1189.0	759.0(5)	19 (2)	$7/2^-$	$5/2^-$	0.56 (7)		D
	1339.0	610.0 (5)	11 (2)	$7/2^-$	$7/2^-$	1.79 (17)^D		J = 0
2530.0(8)	1339.0	1191.0(5)	100 (8)	$9/2^-$	$7/2^-$	0.90 (9)^D		D
	339.5	2193.0(6)	54 (6)	$9/2^-$	$5/2^-$	1.74 (17)^D		Q
2707.0(7)	1339.0	1368.0(5)	100 (10)	$11/2^-$	$7/2^-$	1.50 (14)^D	0.13 (1)	E2
	1768.5	938.3(5)	21 (2)	$11/2^-$	$9/2^-$	0.42 (3)		D
3056.6(7)	1949.7	1105.9(8)	100 (7)	$9/2^+$	$7/2^-$	0.57 (4)	0.086 (12)	E1
	1339.0	1717.6(5)	44 (5)	$9/2^+$	$7/2^-$	0.59 (4)	0.040 (12)	E1
3126.5(9)	1768.5	1358.0(6)	100 (11)	$11/2^-$	$9/2^-$	0.88 (11)^D		D
	339.5	2783.0(7)	82 (12)	$11/2^-$	$5/2^-$			
3378.2(9)	1768.5	1609.7(5)	100 (10)	$11/2^-$	$9/2^-$	0.66 (7)		D
	2707.0	674.0(5)	90 (10)	$11/2^-$	$11/2^-$	0.89 (9)		J = 0
3561.8(8)	1768.5	1793.3 (5)	100 (7)	$11/2^-$	$9/2^-$	0.71 (5)	-0.0040 (11)	M1
	2707.0	854.6(8)	70 (8)	$11/2^-$	$11/2^-$			J = 0
	2530.0	1029.0(5)	39 (5)	$11/2^-$	$9/2^-$	1.09 (11)^D		D
	3126.5	433.6(5)	31 (5)	$11/2^-$	$11/2^-$	1.27 (13)		J = 0
	1949.7	1612.0(5)	24 (3)	$11/2^-$	$7/2^-$			
	1339.0	2223.2(6)	10 (3)	$11/2^-$	$7/2^-$	1.07 (8)		Q
4104.7(9)	1768.5	2336.2(5)	100	$11/2^+$	$9/2^-$	0.76 (5)	0.062 (19)	E1
4143.8(9)	3378.2	764.9(5)	100 (10)	$13/2^-$	$11/2^-$	0.99 (8)^D	-0.0005 (9)	M1
	3561.8	582.0(5)	12 (2)	$13/2^-$	$11/2^-$	0.90 (9)^D	-0.033 (9)	M1
	2707.0	1435.0(5)	0.4 (1)	$13/2^-$	$11/2^-$			
4419.0(10)	1768.5	2650.5(8)	100 (9)	$13/2^-$	$9/2^-$	1.15 (10)	0.058 (18)	E2
	3561.8	858.0(8)	6 (1)	$13/2^-$	$11/2^-$			
4457.8(9)	3056.6	1401.5(5)	100 (7)	$13/2^+$	$9/2^+$	0.82 (6)	0.069 (12)	E2
	2707.0	1750.8(5)	94 (10)	$13/2^+$	$11/2^-$	0.44 (6)	0.054 (12)	E1
4727.2(9)	1768.5	2958.7(5)	100	$11/2^+$	$9/2^-$	0.56 (8)	0.030 (14)	E1
4910.7(10)	1768.5	3142.2(7)	100	$11/2^+$	$9/2^-$	0.64 (9)	0.070 (24)	E1
4950.5(10)	4143.8	806.7(5)	100 (9)	$15/2^-$	$13/2^-$	0.87 (9)^D	-0.055 (12)	M1
	3378.2	1571.0(6)	9 (2)	$15/2^-$	$11/2^-$			
5100.0(9)	3561.8	1539.0(7)	100 (7)	$13/2^{(-)}$	$11/2^-$	1.27 (13)^D		D
	2707.0	2393.0(6)	53 (5)	$13/2^-$	$11/2^-$			
5254.6(10)	4457.8	796.8(5)	100 (11)	$17/2^+$	$13/2^+$	1.00 (7)	0.051 (25)	E2
	4950.5	303.0(5)	9 (1)	$17/2^+$	$15/2^-$	1.08 (11)^D		D

Continuation of Table II

E_i (keV)	E_f (keV)	E_γ (keV)	Branching Ratio	J_i^π	J_f^π	R_{DCO}	Asymmetry	Multipolarity
5295.0(11)	4143.8	1151.2(7)	100	$15/2^-$	$13/2^-$	0.78 (8)^D	-0.025 (14)	M1
5383.2(10)	4143.8	1239.4(6)	100 (10)	$15/2^+$	$13/2^-$	1.29 (13)^D	0.10 (1)	E1
	4104.7	1279.3(5)	18 (2)	$15/2^+$	$11/2^+$	1.08 (8)		Q
5947.7(11)	4950.5	997.2(5)	100	$17/2^{(-)}$	$15/2^-$	0.94 (7)^D		D
5991.8(11)	4457.8	1534.0(6)	100	$17/2^+$	$13/2^+$			
6079.3(10)	4143.8	1935.5(5)	100	$17/2^-$	$13/2^-$	0.98 (7)	0.069 (20)	E2
6483.8(12)	5947.7	536.1(6)	100	$19/2^{(-)}$	$17/2^{(-)}$	0.57 (4)	-0.0017 (99)	M1
6505.6(12)	6079.3	426.6(5)	100 (12)	$19/2^-$	$17/2^-$	0.70 (5)		D
	4950.5	1555.1(7)	66 (7)	$19/2^-$	$15/2^-$	1.32 (9)	0.037 (11)	E2
6749.6(10)	5100.0	1649.6(5)	100	$15/2^{(-)}$	$13/2^{(-)}$	0.87 (9)^D		D
7167.5(13)	6505.6	661.9(5)	100 (7)	$21/2^{(-)}$	$19/2^-$	0.71 (5)		D
	5254.6	1912(9)	9 (1)	$21/2^-$	$17/2^+$			
7232.7(10)	6483.8	748.9(6)	100	$21/2^{(-)}$	$19/2^{(-)}$	0.7 (1)		D
7393.7(13)	5254.6	2139.1(8)	100	$19/2^-$	$17/2^+$	0.75 (6)	0.021 (11)	E1
7636.8(13)	6505.6	1131.2(5)	100	$21/2^{(-)}$	$19/2^-$	0.87 (10)^D		D
7954.2(14)	7167.5	786.7(5)	100	$23/2^{(-)}$	$21/2^{(-)}$	0.48 (5)	-0.024 (11)	M1
8132.8(13)	5254.6	2878.2(7)	100	$21/2^+$	$17/2^+$	1.16 (10)	0.052 (13)	E2
8290.7(14)	7393.7	897.0(5)	100	$23/2^-$	$19/2^-$	0.95 (7)	0.011 (11)	E2
8632.3(15)	7954.2	678.1(5)	100	$25/2^{(-)}$	$23/2^{(-)}$	0.58 (4)		D
9166.5(15)	8290.7	875.8(6)	100	27/2	$23/2^-$	1.12 (7)		Q
9309.7(16)	8632.3	677.4(5)	100	$27/2^{(-)}$	$25/2^{(-)}$	0.58 (4)		D
9753.4(16)	8632.3	1121.1(5)	100	$27/2^{(-)}$	$25/2^{(-)}$	1.14 (14)^D	-0.12 (2)	M1
9901.5(14)	8132.8	1768.7(5)	100	$25/2^+$	$21/2^+$	1.08 (8)	0.084 (12)	E2
10089.1(17)	9309.7	779.4(5)	100	$29/2^{(-)}$	$27/2^{(-)}$	0.63 (7)		D
10421.8(14)	8132.8	2289.0(5)	100	$25/2^+$	$21/2^+$	1.26 (18)	0.072 (20)	E2
11645.0(15)	9901.5	1747.0(5)	100 (10)	$29/2^+$	$25/2^+$	1.61 (23)^D		Q
	10421.8	1223.2 (5)	78 (8)	$29/2^+$	$25/2^+$	1.58 (16)^D	0.047 (11)	E2
11911.8(16)	9901.5	2010.3(8)	100	$29/2^+$	$25/2^+$	1.00 (7)	0.11 (2)	E2
12007.5(18)	10089.1	1918.4(8)	100	$31/2^{(-)}$	$29/2^{(-)}$	0.96 (14)^D		D
13229.0(17)	11645.0	1584.0(7)	100	$33/2^{(+)}$	$29/2^+$	1.77 (22)^D		Q
14284.1(17)	11911.8	2372.3(6)	100	$33/2^{(+)}$	$29/2^+$	1.08 (10)		Q
15178.7(18)	13229.0	1949.7(7)	100	$37/2^{(+)}$	$33/2^{(+)}$	0.94 (7)	0.079 (13)	E2
16467.6(19)	14284.1	2183.5(9)	100	$(37/2^+)$	$33/2^+$			
17684.6(19)	15178.7	2505.9(5)	100	$41/2^{(+)}$	$37/2^{(+)}$			

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TABLE III. This table show the details of the γ transitions observed in this present work on ^{61}Co. The R_{DCO} was calculated for quadrupole transitions except for those with the D symbol which are from dipole transitions

E_i (keV)	E_f (keV)	E_γ (keV)	Branching Ratio	J_i^π	J_f^π	R_{DCO}	Asymmetry	Multipolarity
1285.9(5)	0	1285.9(5)	100	$9/2^-$	$7/2^-$	1.11 (11)^D		D
1664.8(5)	0	1664.8(5)	100 (8)	$11/2^-$	$7/2^-$	2.16 (25)^D	0.075 (12)	E2
	1285.9	378.4(5)	20 (3)	$11/2^-$	$9/2^-$	0.54 (8)		D
2339.4 (8)	1285.9	1053.5(6)	100	$11/2^-$	$9/2^-$	0.60 (6)		D
2374.4 (8)	1664.8	709.6(6)	100	$13/2^-$	$11/2^-$	0.66 (5)	-0.036 (11)	M1
3127.0 (9)	1664.8	1462.0(6)	100 (8)	$15/2^-$	$11/2^-$	1.19 (12)		Q
	2374.4	752.6(5)	51 (4)	$15/2^-$	$13/2^-$	0.66 (7)	-0.041 (11)	M1
3159.4(9)	1664.8	1494.6(8)	100	$13/2^-$	$11/2^-$	0.65 (6)		D
3472.5(7)	1664.8	1807.7(5)	100 (4)	$13/2^+$	$11/2^-$	0.59 (6)	0.030 (11)	E1
	2374.4	1097.6(9)	8 (1)	$13/2^+$	$13/2^-$			J = 0
	2339.4	1131.6(6)	27 (2)	$13/2^+$	$11/2^-$	0.81 (8)^D	0.044 (11)	E1
3658.8(9)	3472.5	186.3(5)	100 (3)	$15/2^+$	$13/2^+$	0.55 (4)		D
	3127.0	531.2(5)	46 (4)	$15/2^+$	$15/2^-$	0.84 (8)		J = 0
3910.8(7)	1664.8	2246.0(5)	100	$13/2^-$	$11/2^-$			
4094.4(10)	3658.8	435.6(5)	100 (4)	$17/2^+$	$15/2^+$	0.68 (6)	-0.047 (11)	M1
	3127.0	966.6(6)	14 (1)	$17/2^+$	$15/2^-$	0.99 (10)^D		D
4117.9(11)	3159.4	956.5(7)	100 (10)	$15/2^-$	$13/2^-$			
	2374.4	1743.5(8)	37 (4)	$15/2^-$	$13/2^-$	0.40 (5)		D
	3658.8	456.5(7)	37 (4)	$15/2^-$	$15/2^+$		0.108 (13)	J = 0
	3910.8	208.2(6)	54 (6)	$15/2^-$	$13/2^-$	0.66 (6)		D
4388.3(13)	4117.9	270.4(7)	100 (3)	$17/2^-$	$15/2^-$	0.44 (4)		D
	3658.8	728.3(7)	20 (2)	$17/2^-$	$15/2^+$	0.56 (6)		D
4485.4(8)	3472.5	1012.9(3)	100 (8)	$15/2^-$	$13/2^+$	0.72 (8)	0.107 (13)	E1
	3127.0	1358.4(6)	25 (3)	$15/2^-$	$15/2^-$	1.28 (11)^D		J = 0
4803.6(12)	4094.4	709.2(6)	100	$19/2^+$	$17/2^+$	0.66 (5)	-0.036 (11)	M1
4871.2(10)	4485.4	385.8(6)	100 (9)	$17/2^-$	$15/2^-$	0.64 (8)		D
	3658.8	1212.4(6)	50 (5)	$17/2^-$	$15/2^+$	0.87 (12)^D		D
5118.8(15)	4388.3	730.5(7)	100	$19/2^-$	$17/2^-$	0.56 (6)		D
5347.8(12)	4871.2	476.6(6)	100	$19/2^-$	$17/2^-$	0.97 (14) ^{D}		D
5723.3(13)	3658.8	2064.5(9)	100	$17/2^-$	$15/2^+$			
5814.3(11)	3658.8	2155.5(6)	100	$17/2^-$	$15/2^+$	0.38 (5)		D
5833.1(13)	4803.6	1029.5(6)	100	$21/2^+$	$19/2^+$	0.73 (7)		D
5955.8(17)	5118.8	837.0(8)	100 (10)	$21/2^-$	$19/2^-$			
	5347.8	608.5(5)	58 (6)	$21/2^-$	$19/2^-$	0.65 (6)		D
6066.6(17)	5118.8	947.8(8)	100	$21/2^-$	$19/2^-$	0.83 (7)^D		D
6170.5(12)	4094.4	2076.1(6)	100 (11)	$19/2^-$	$17/2^+$	0.67 (9)	0.045 (11)	E1
	5723.3	445.3(5)	80 (9)	$19/2^-$	$17/2^-$			
6710.4(13)	6170.5	539.9(6)	100 (12)	$21/2^-$	$19/2^-$	1.26 (18)^D		D
	5955.8	754.0(9)	43 (5)	$21/2^-$	$21/2^-$			J = 0
6749.2(18)	5955.8	793.4(7)	100	$23/2^-$	$21/2^-$			
6823(13)	6170.5	652.5(6)	100 (11)	$21/2^-$	$19/2^-$	0.51 (10)		D
	5814.3	1007.9(11)	84 (9)	$21/2^-$	$17/2^-$	0.96 (10)		Q
6894.9(14)	5833.1	1061.8(6)	100	$23/2^+$	$21/2^+$	0.50 (7)		D
7506.6(15)	6710.4	796.2(7)	100	$23/2^-$	$21/2^-$	0.61 (6)		D
7703.2(19)	6749.2	954.0(7)	100	$25/2^-$	$23/2^-$			
8089.5(14)	6823	1266.5(6)	100	$25/2^-$	$21/2^-$	0.93 (9)	0.099 (13)	E2
8216.7(16)	6894.9	1321.8(8)	100	$25/2^+$	$23/2^+$			
8408.1(16)	7506.6	901.5(6)	100	$25/2^-$	$23/2^-$			
9678.3(17)	8216.7	1461.6(7)	100	$27/2^+$	$25/2^+$			