

Nuclear equation of state from nuclear collective excited state properties

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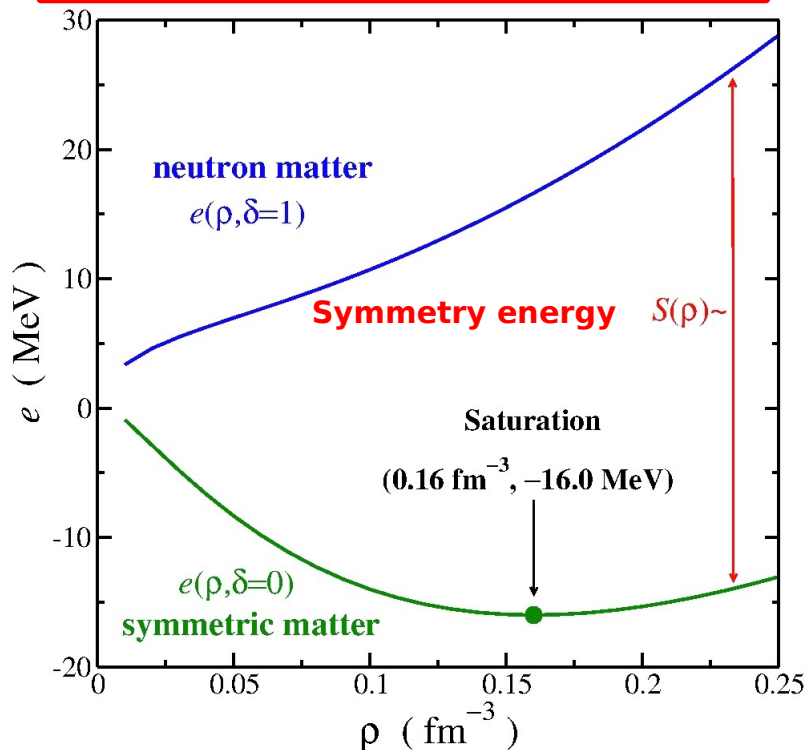
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The nuclear Equation of State

Unpolarized **nuclear matter** at zero temperature ($10^{10}\text{K} \rightarrow 1\text{MeV}$) is defined as the **energy** per **nucleon** (e) as a function of the **neutron** (ρ_n) and **proton** (ρ_p) **densities** as (*isospin conserving* $V_{nn} = V_{pp} = V_{np}$):

$$e(\rho, \delta) = e(\rho, 0) + S(\rho)\delta^2 + \mathcal{O}[\delta^4] \quad \text{where } \rho = \rho_n + \rho_p \text{ and } \delta = \frac{\rho_n - \rho_p}{\rho}$$



It is customary to **expand** $e(\rho, \delta)$ around nuclear **saturation density** $\rho_0 \sim 0.16 \text{ fm}^{-3}$

$$e(\rho, 0) = e(\rho_0, 0) + \frac{1}{2}K_0x^2 + \mathcal{O}[\rho^3] \quad \text{where } x = \frac{\rho - \rho_0}{3\rho_0}$$

$$S(\rho) = J + Lx + \frac{1}{2}K_{\text{sym}}x^2 + \mathcal{O}[\rho^3, \delta^4]$$

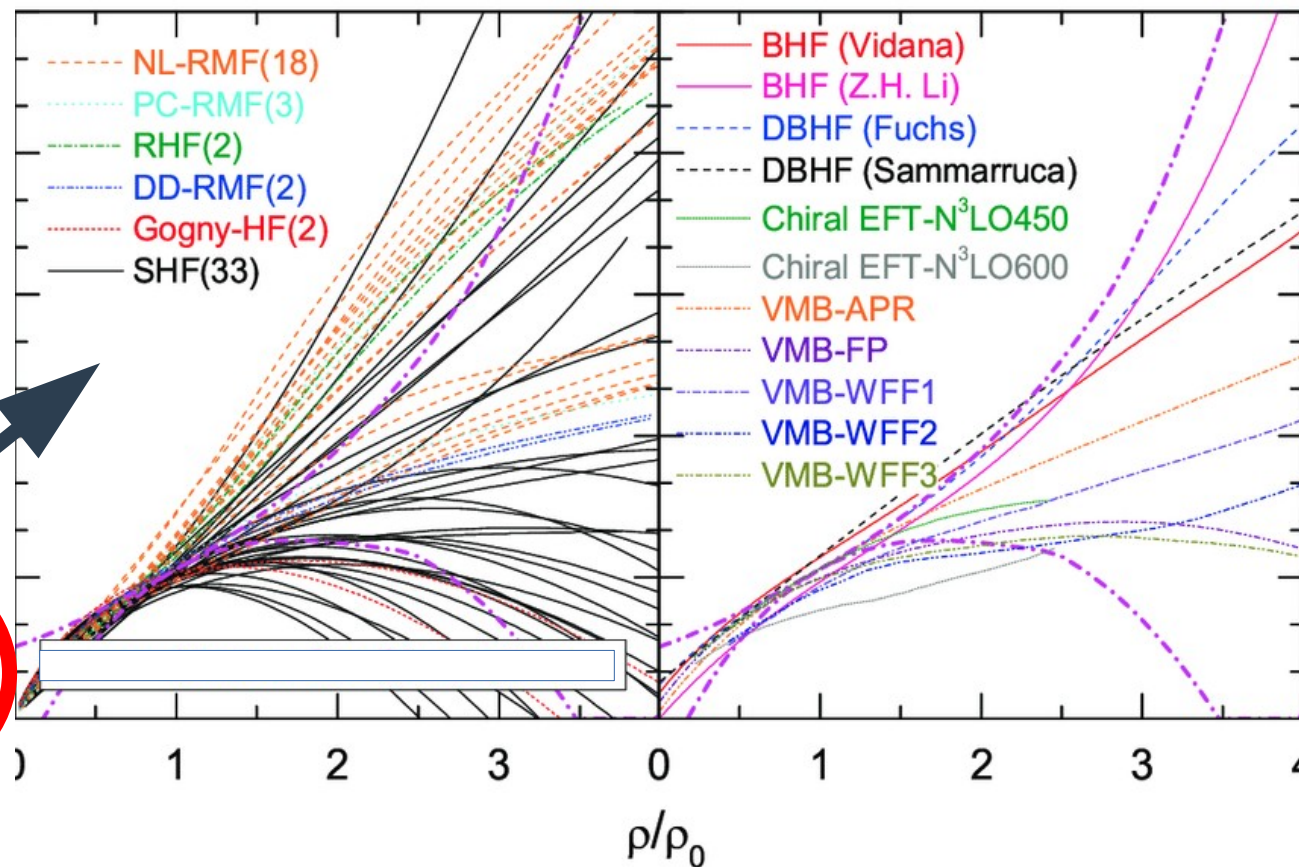
$K_0 \rightarrow$ how **compressible** is symmetric matter at ρ_0

$J \rightarrow$ **penalty energy** for converting all **protons into neutrons** in symmetric matter at ρ_0

$L \rightarrow$ **neutron pressure** in neutron matter at ρ_0

Symmetry energy $S(\rho) \sim e(\rho, \delta=1) - e(\rho, \delta=0)$

Symmetry energy not well constrained

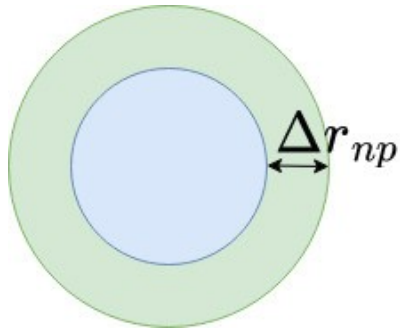


*Towards understanding astrophysical effects of nuclear symmetry energy
Bao-An Li, Plamen G. Krastev, De-Hua Wen & Nai-Bo Zhang EPJ A 55, 117 (2019)*

Neutron skin (g.s.) as a proxy to L

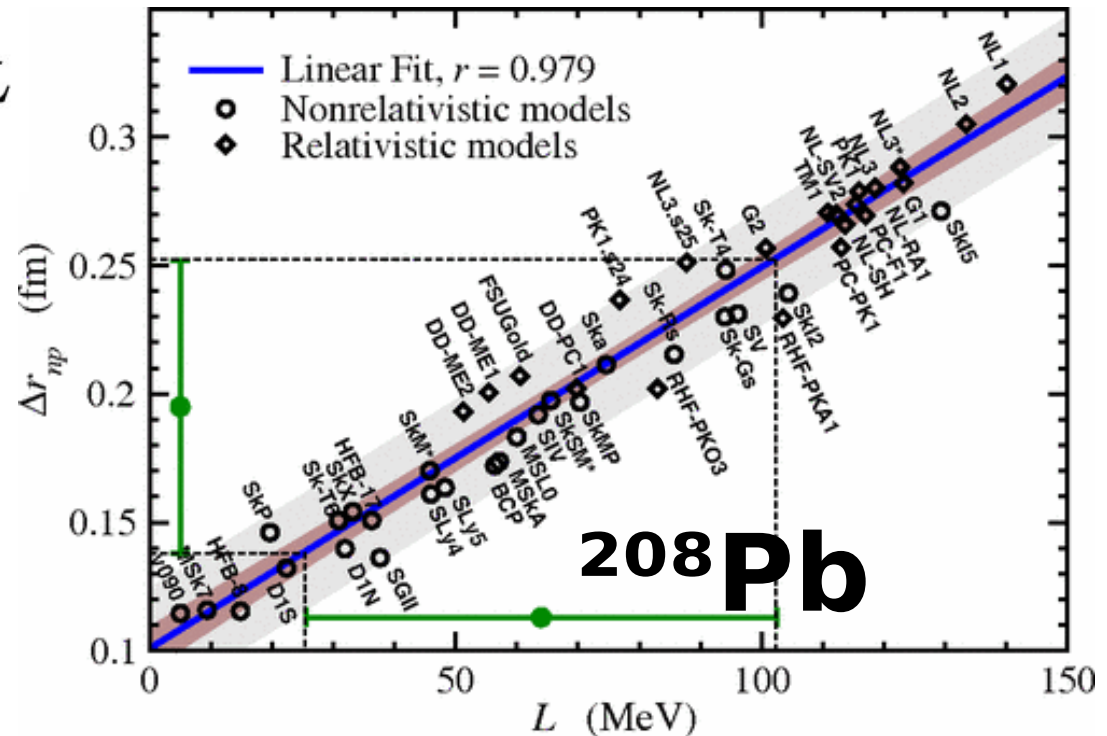
The **neutron skin thickness** ($\Delta r_{np}=r_n-r_p$) in a heavy neutron rich nucleus is related to the **neutron pressure** ($\delta=1$) around ρ_0 (L).

$$P(\rho_0, \delta) = \rho_0^2 \frac{\partial e(\rho, \delta)}{\partial \rho} \Big|_{\rho=\rho_0} = \frac{1}{3} \rho_0 \delta^2 L$$



→ From the Droplet Model:

$$\Delta r_{np} \approx \frac{1}{12} \frac{N-Z}{A} \frac{R}{J} L$$



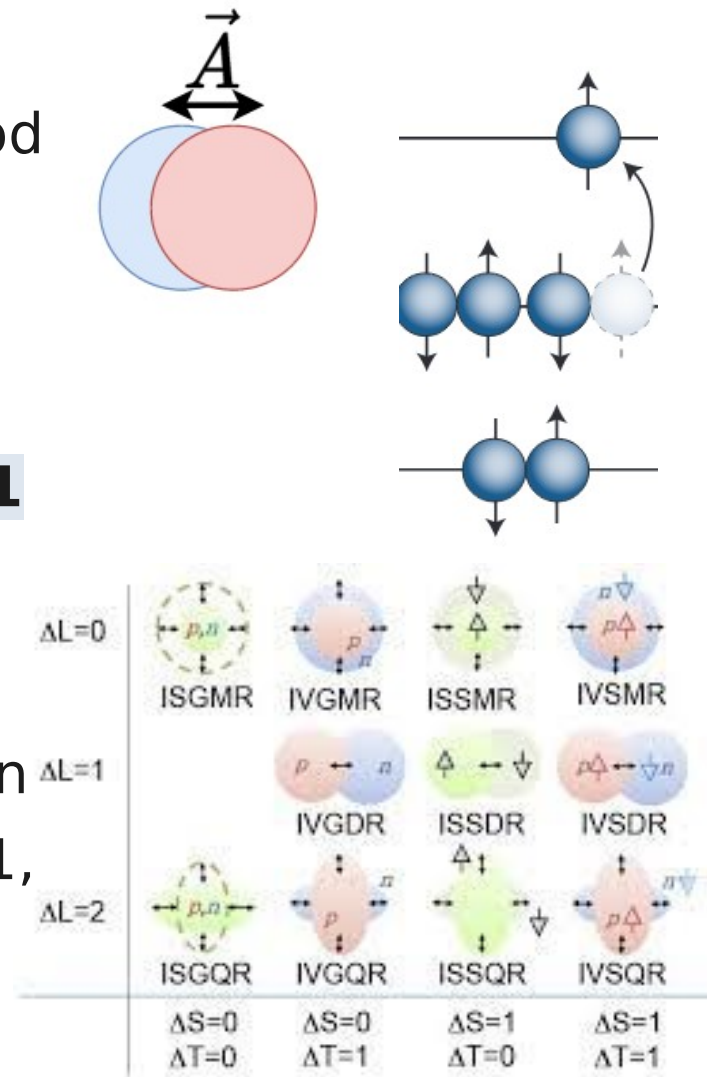
Neutron Skin of 208Pb, Nuclear Symmetry Energy, and the Parity Radius Experiment
X. Roca-Maza, M. Centelles, X. Viñas, and M. Warda *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **106**, 252501 (2011)

Giant Resonances

→ **Collective motion** giving rise to **Giant Resonances** could be **qualitatively** understood as *macroscopic oscillation/vibration* of the **nucleon densities** $\delta\rho \sim \mathbf{A} \cdot \nabla\rho$

→ **Microscopically**, overall Giant Resonance properties have been seen to be well described as a **coherent superposition of 1 particle - 1 hole** excitations.

→ **Collective excitations** can be **classified** in terms of the quantum numbers $\mathbf{J} = \mathbf{L} + \mathbf{S}$ and **parity**, $\pi = (-1)^L$, and modeled by using transition operators of the type $\sum \tau_a r^L (\mathbf{Y}_{LM} \times \boldsymbol{\sigma})_{JM}$. with $\tau_a = 1$, τ_z for non-charge exchange IS and IV, respectively, or $\tau_a = \tau_{\pm}$ for charge exchange.



Sum rules

→ **Sum Rules** or moments of the strength function $S(E)$ sometimes **model independent** ($[F, V]=0$) and/or predict **very simple expressions** that can be exploited to better **understand the nuclear phenomenology**.

k -moment of $S(E)$:

$$m_k \equiv \int dE E^k S(E)$$

Expectation value of commutators in the G.S.!!

$$m_0 = \sum_v |\langle v|F|0\rangle|^2 = \langle 0|F^\dagger F|0\rangle$$

$$m_1 = \sum_v (E_v - E_0) |\langle v|F|0\rangle|^2 = \langle 0|F^\dagger [\mathcal{H}, F]|0\rangle$$

$$m_2 = \sum_v (E_v - E_0)^2 |\langle v|F|0\rangle|^2 = \langle 0|F^\dagger [\mathcal{H}, [\mathcal{H}, F]]|0\rangle$$

$$m_3 = \sum_v (E_v - E_0)^3 |\langle v|F|0\rangle|^2 = \langle 0|F^\dagger [\mathcal{H}, [\mathcal{H}, [\mathcal{H}, F]]]|0\rangle$$

Thouless Th→
 $m_1(\text{RPA}) = 1/2$
 $\langle \text{HF} | \text{D.C.} | \text{HF} \rangle$

Example for non-spin flip resonances:

$$m_1^{\text{IS}} = \frac{A}{4\pi} \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{2J+1}{A} \int d\vec{r} \left[\left(\frac{df}{dr} \right)^2 + J(J+1) \left(\frac{f}{r} \right)^2 \right] \rho(r)$$

$$m_1^{\text{IV}} = m_1^{\text{IS}} (1 + \kappa)$$

$$f = r^L$$

$\kappa \leftrightarrow [F, V]$
 non zero

Sum rules: dielectric theorem

Ground state perturbed by an external field λF ($\lambda \rightarrow 0$) so that perturbation theory holds $\rightarrow$ The expectation value of the Hamiltonian $\langle H \rangle$:

$$\delta \langle \mathcal{H} \rangle = \lambda^2 \sum_{v \neq 0} \frac{|\langle v | F | 0 \rangle|^2}{E_v - E_0} + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^3) = \lambda^2 m_{-1} + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^3)$$

$$\delta \langle F \rangle = -2\lambda \sum_{v \neq 0} \frac{|\langle v | F | 0 \rangle|^2}{E_v - E_0} + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^2) = -2\lambda m_{-1} + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^2)$$

$$m_{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \langle \mathcal{H} \rangle}{\partial \lambda^2} \Big|_{\lambda=0} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial \langle F \rangle}{\partial \lambda} \Big|_{\lambda=0}$$

Use of sum rules: examples

Agree with thermodynamic definition of $1/\chi$

→ Calculate the finite nucleus incompressibility

$$(E_x^{\text{ISGMR}})^2 = \frac{m_1}{m_{-1}} = 4 \frac{\hbar^2}{m} \langle r^2 \rangle \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial \langle r^2 \rangle^2} = 4A \frac{\hbar^2}{m \langle r^2 \rangle} \langle r^2 \rangle^2 \frac{\partial^2 (E/A)}{\partial \langle r^2 \rangle^2} \equiv K_A \frac{\hbar^2}{m \langle r^2 \rangle}$$

→ **Connection with EoS:** Blaizot model frequently used to connect K_A with K_{volume} (**qualitative!; systematic theoretical errors may be large**)

$$K_A = K_{\text{vol}} + K_{\text{surf}} A^{-1/3} + K_{\tau} I^2 + K_{\text{Coul}} Z^2 A^{-4/3} + \dots,$$

→ **Alternatively:** the minimum condition of **monopole** (isotropic) **dilation** on the g.s. $\Psi(r) \rightarrow \alpha^{3/2} \Psi(\alpha r)$ leads to **$E(\alpha) = \langle \Psi(\alpha) | H | \Psi(\alpha) \rangle$** which can be used to calculate m_3 (scaling approach with $E^2 = m_3/m_1$):

$$(E_x^{\text{ISGMR}})^2 = \frac{\hbar^2}{mA \langle r^2 \rangle} [4T + 9E_{\text{contact}} + 25E_{\text{SO}} + \dots]$$

→ However “safetiest” → direct comparison of measured observable with theory → same theory to predict K_{volume}

Use of sum rules: example for guidance

→ One can calculate the **polarizability**, proportional to m_{-1} , from the **dielectric theorem** and **Droplet Model**:

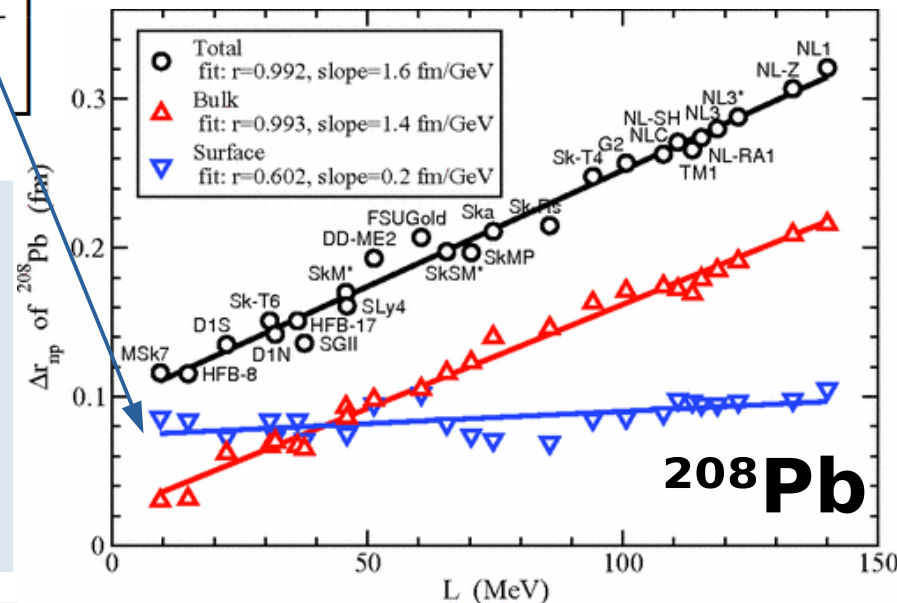
$$\alpha_D = \frac{8\pi e^2}{9} m_{-1}(E1)$$

Using definition of α and D.M. relation between Δr_{np} and J/Q

$$m_{-1} \approx \frac{A \langle r^2 \rangle^{1/2}}{48J} \left(1 + \frac{15}{4} \frac{J}{Q} A^{-1/3} \right)$$

$$\alpha_D \approx \frac{A \langle r^2 \rangle}{12J} \left[1 + \frac{5}{2} \frac{\Delta r_{np} + \sqrt{\frac{3}{5}} \frac{e^2 Z}{70J} - \Delta r_{np}^{\text{surface}}}{\langle r^2 \rangle^{1/2} (I - I_C)} \right]$$

In stable nuclei, surface well constrained by fit to B and R_{ch}



Polarizability increases with the mass (for the dipole $A^{5/3}$, for the quadrupole $A^{7/3}$ and so on ...) and **slope of the symmetry energy (L)** and **decrease with the bulk symmetry energy (J)** → **sets a relation between the EoS parameters J and L**

Use of sum rules: examples

→ Spin Dipole Resonance

$$\sum_{i=1}^A \sum_M \tau_{\pm}(i) r_i^L [Y_L(\hat{r}_i) \otimes \sigma(i)]_{JM}$$

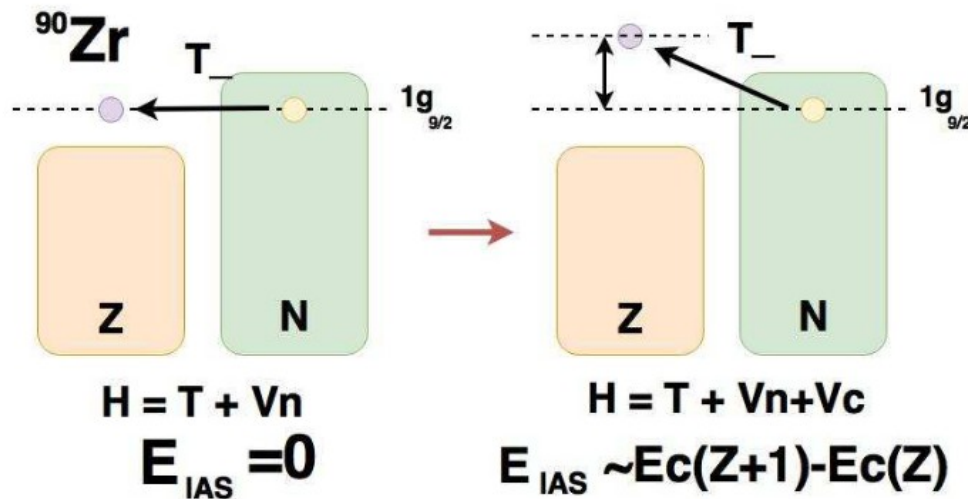
$$m_0(\tau_-) - m_0(\tau_+) = \frac{9}{4\pi} (N \langle r_n^2 \rangle - Z \langle r_p^2 \rangle)$$

$$\approx (N - Z) \langle r_p^2 \rangle \left(1 + \frac{2N}{N - Z} \frac{\Delta r_{np}}{\langle r_p^2 \rangle^{1/2}} \right)$$

Clear and direct relation with skin

→ Isobaric Analog State (m_1/m_0)

$$\sum_{i=1}^A \tau_{\pm}(i)$$



$$E_{IAS} = \frac{\langle 0 | T_+ [\mathcal{H}, T_-] | 0 \rangle}{\langle 0 | T_+ T_- | 0 \rangle}$$

[H, T₋] non zero only for ISB

Relation with neutron skin

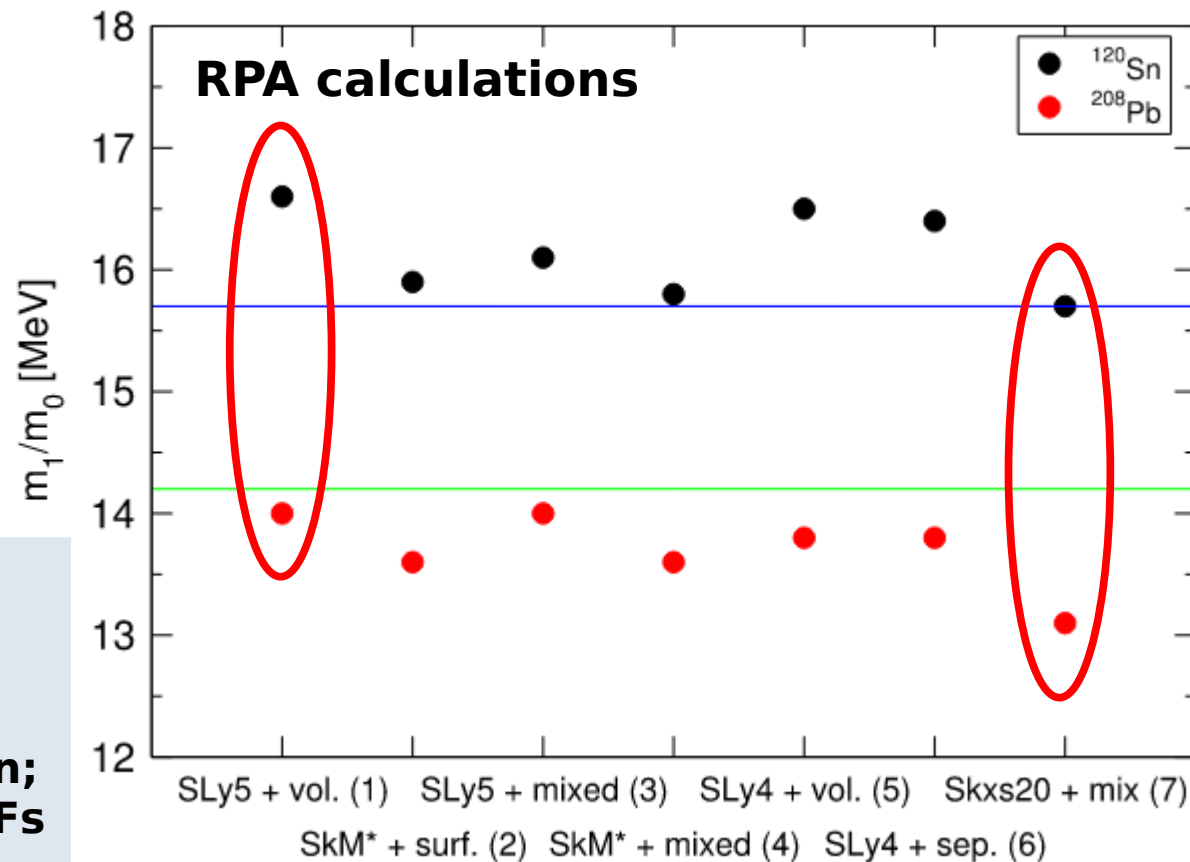
→ Independent particle picture & just Coulomb direct & sharp sphere app.:

$$E_{IAS} \approx E_{IAS}^{C, direct} \approx \frac{6}{5} \frac{Ze^2}{R_p} \left(1 - \sqrt{\frac{5}{12}} \frac{N}{N-Z} \frac{\Delta r_{np}}{R_p} \right)$$

**Non-charge exchange
Giant Resonances:
some examples**

Giant Monopole Resonance: do we understand it?

See Umesh
Garg Talk!

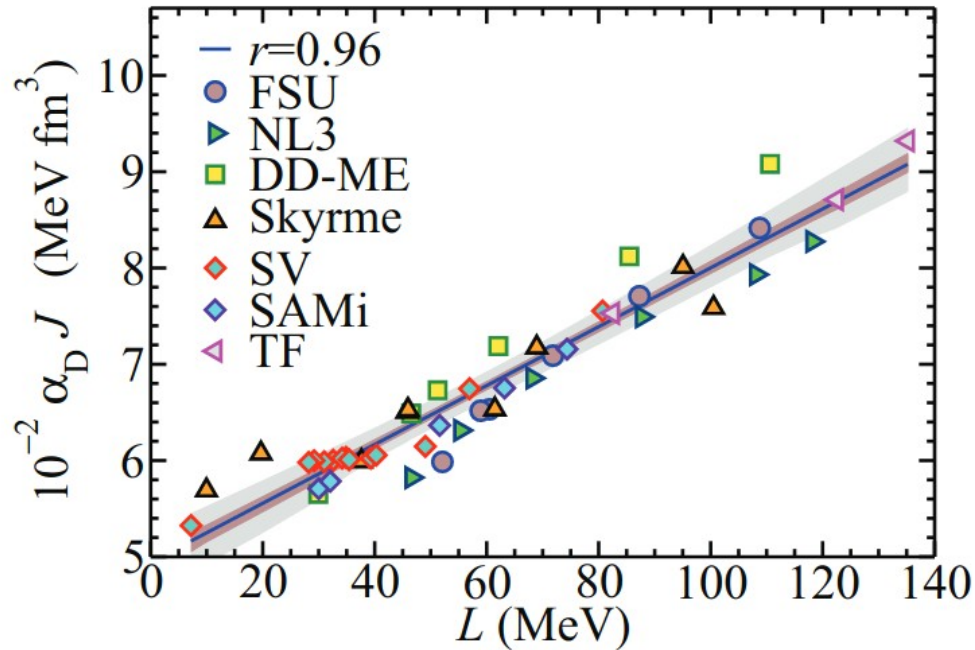


Further studies are needed (uncertainty quantification; Extended EDFs & ab initio)

Pairing effects studied here

U. Garg, G. Colò / *Progress in Particle and Nuclear Physics* 101 (2018) 55–95

Dipole polarizability



$$\begin{aligned}
 J &= 25.0(2) + 0.19(2)L && \text{for } {}^{68}\text{Ni}, \\
 J &= 25.4(1.1) + 0.17(1)L && \text{for } {}^{120}\text{Sn}, \\
 J &= 24.5(8) + 0.17(1)L && \text{for } {}^{208}\text{Pb}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$S(\langle \rho \rangle) \approx J - L \frac{\rho_0 - \langle \rho \rangle}{3\rho_0} \rightarrow J \approx S(\langle \rho \rangle) + \frac{\rho_0 - \langle \rho \rangle}{3\rho_0} L$$

(Warning: higher order terms might be relevant)

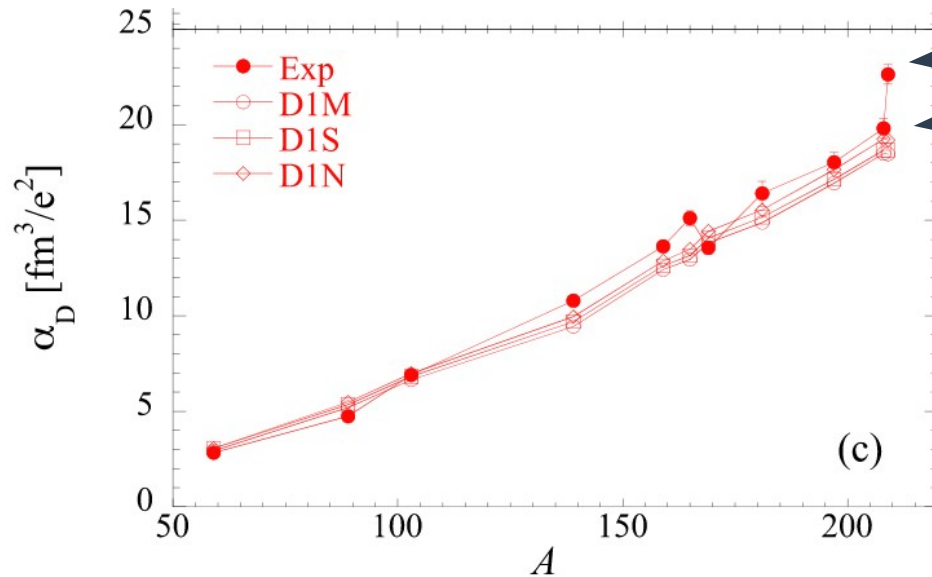
$$S(\langle \rho \rangle \approx 0.08 \text{ fm}^{-3}) \approx 25 \text{ MeV}$$

X. Roca-Maza, M. Brenna, G. Colò, M. Centelles, X. Viñas, B. K. Agrawal, N. Paar, D. Vretenar, and J. Piekarewicz
Phys. Rev. C **88**, 024316 – Published 20 August 2013

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Phys. Rev. C **92**, 064304 – Published 8 December 2015

Dipole polarizability: do we understand it?

S. Goriely, S. Péru, G. Colò, X. Roca-Maza, I. Gheorghe, D. Filipescu, and H. Utsunomiya
Phys. Rev. C **102**, 064309 – Published 9 December 2020

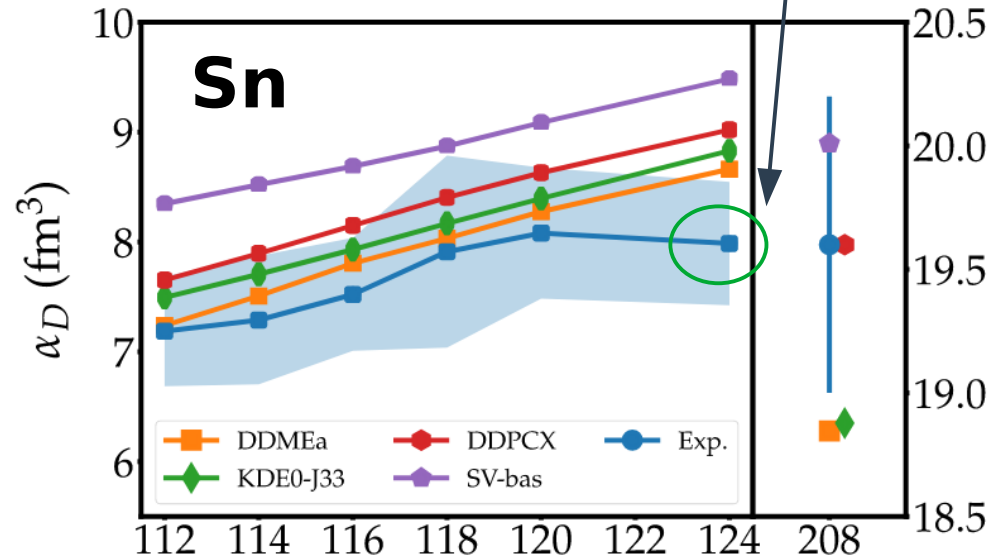
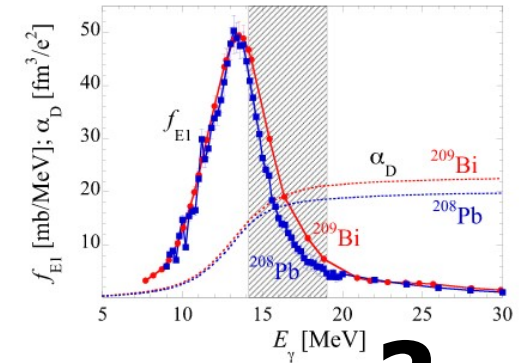


$$J = 32.5(1.0) + 0.17(0.02)L \quad \text{for } ^{89}\text{Y},$$

$$J = 26.7(6) + 0.14(0.02)L \quad \text{for } ^{139}\text{La},$$

$$J = 24.0(6) + 0.13(0.01)L \quad \text{for } ^{209}\text{Bi}.$$

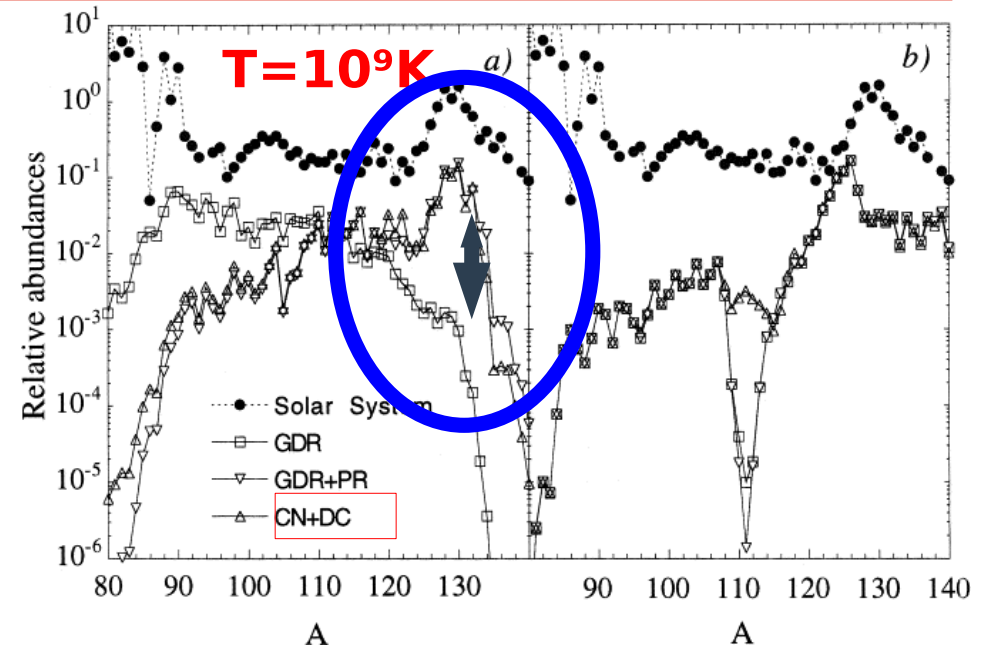
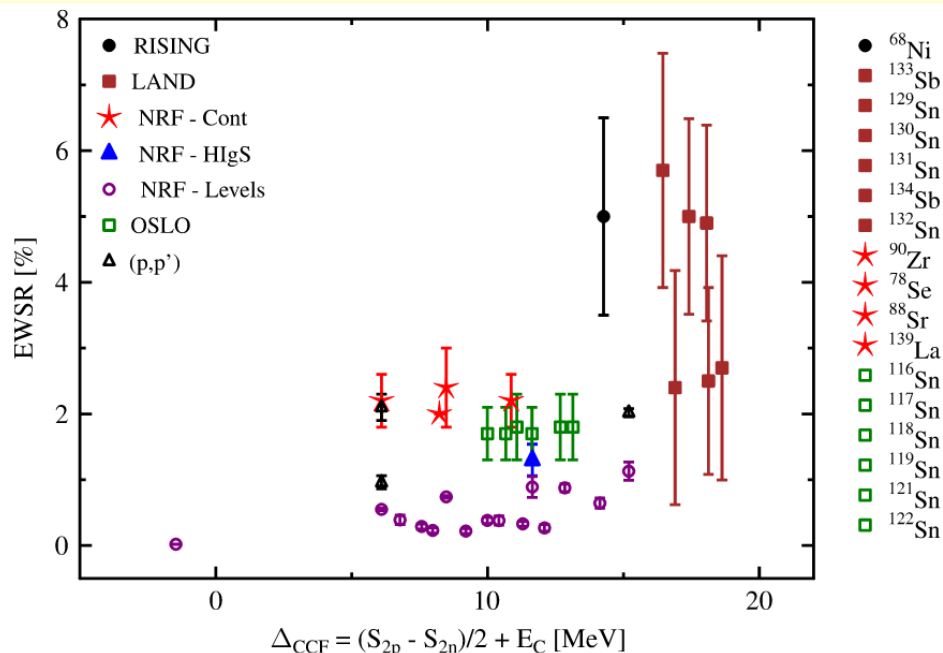
²⁰⁹Bi ?
²⁰⁸Pb ?



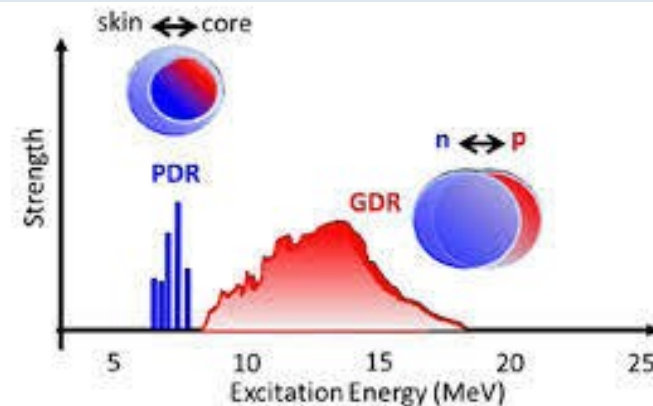
S. Bassauer, P. von Neumann-Cosel, P.-G. Reinhard et al. Physics Letters B 810 (2020) 135804

Pygmy dipole resonance / strength (!?)

→ **Low energy strength** in the dipole (but also other) nuclear responses **impacts** the nuclear **polarizability** as well as **the r-process nucleosynthesis**

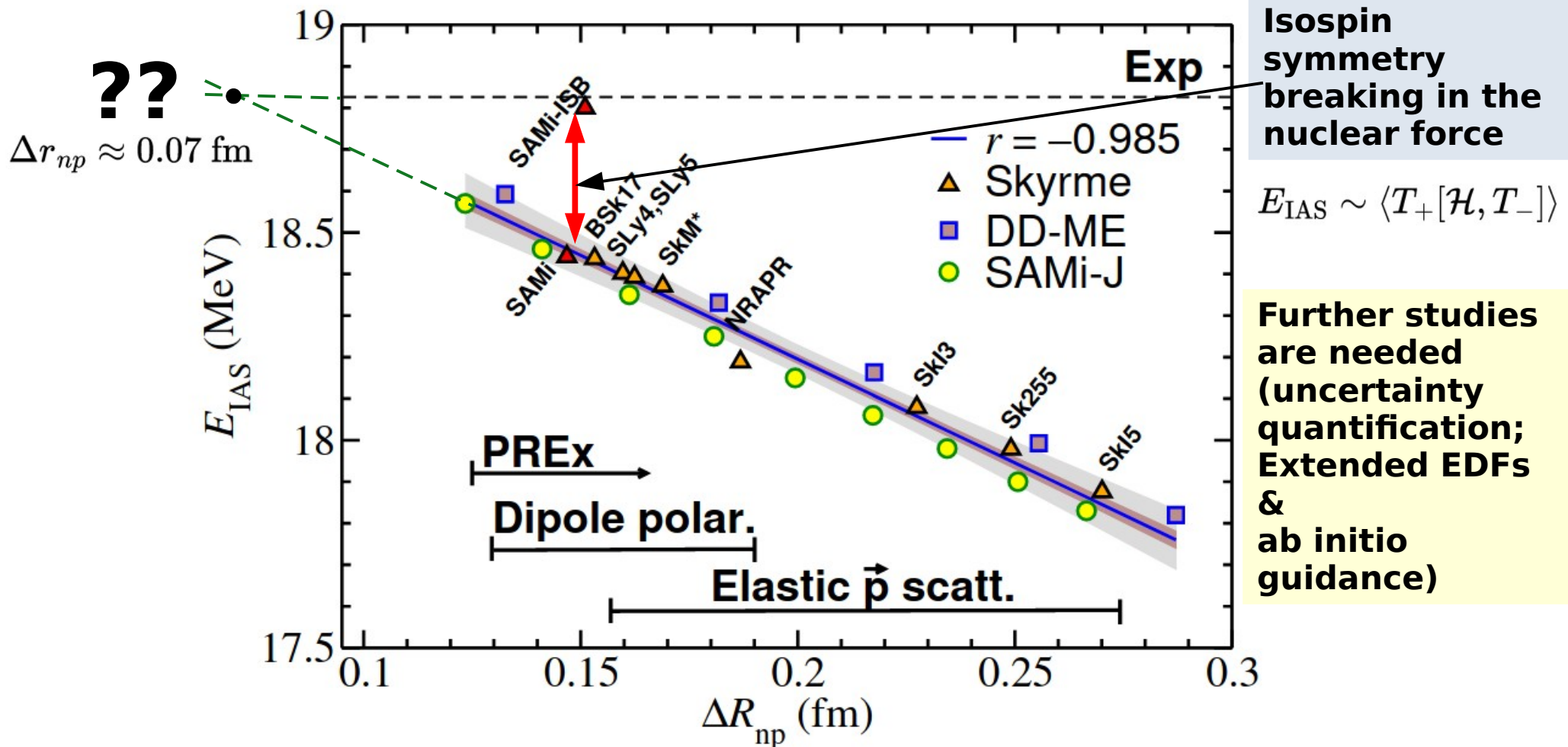


→ **No clear connection** with the nuclear **EoS** has been established **yet** (skin oscillation, toroidal mode, ...)

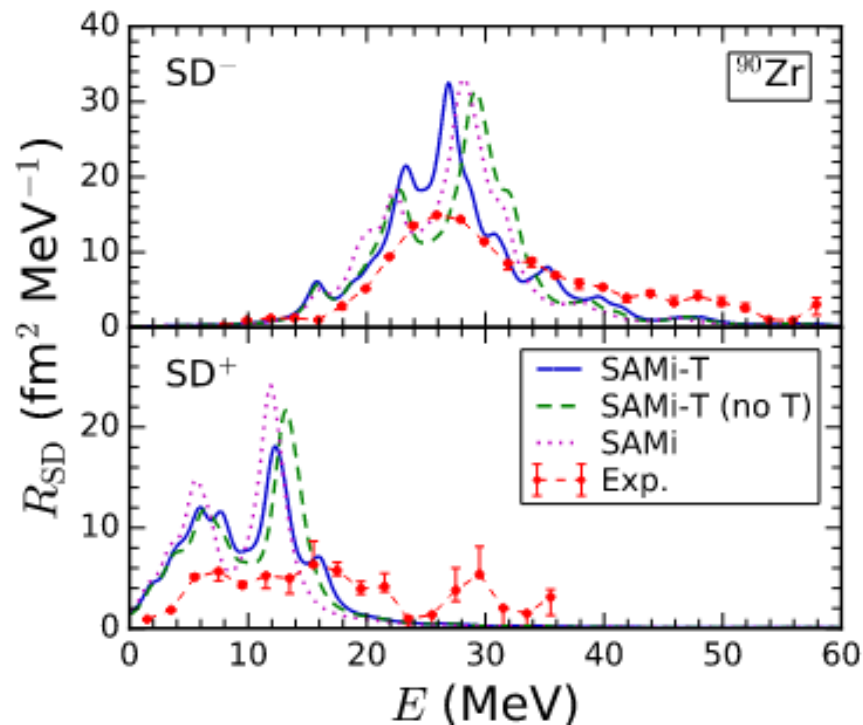


Charge exchange Giant Resonances: some examples

Isobaric Analog State



Spin Dipole Resonance

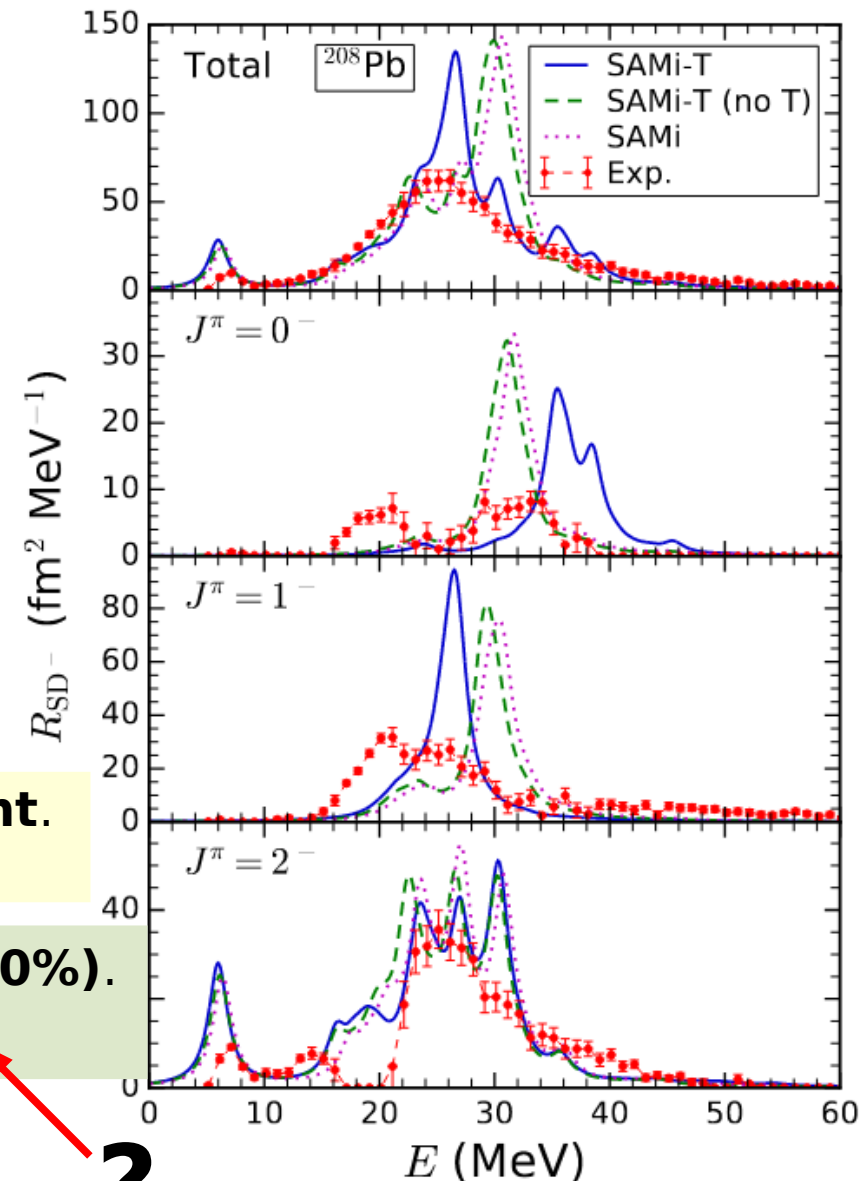


→ ^{90}Zr **exp and theo sum rules in agreement.**

From exp. sum rule: $\Delta r_{np} = 0.07 \pm 0.04 \text{ fm}$

→ ^{208}Pb **exp sum rule < theo sum rule (~20%).**

From exp. sum rule: $\Delta r_{np} = 0.07 \pm 0.03 \text{ fm}$



Summary from Progress in Particle and Nuclear Physics 101 (2018) 96–176

Blaizot's formula qualitative, not for exp. analysis
(see A. Phys. Pol. B Supp. 8 707, 2015)

$\Delta\rho_0/\rho_0 \sim 2\%$; $\Delta e_0/e_0 \sim 4\%$

200–260 MeV
25%

30–35 MeV
15%

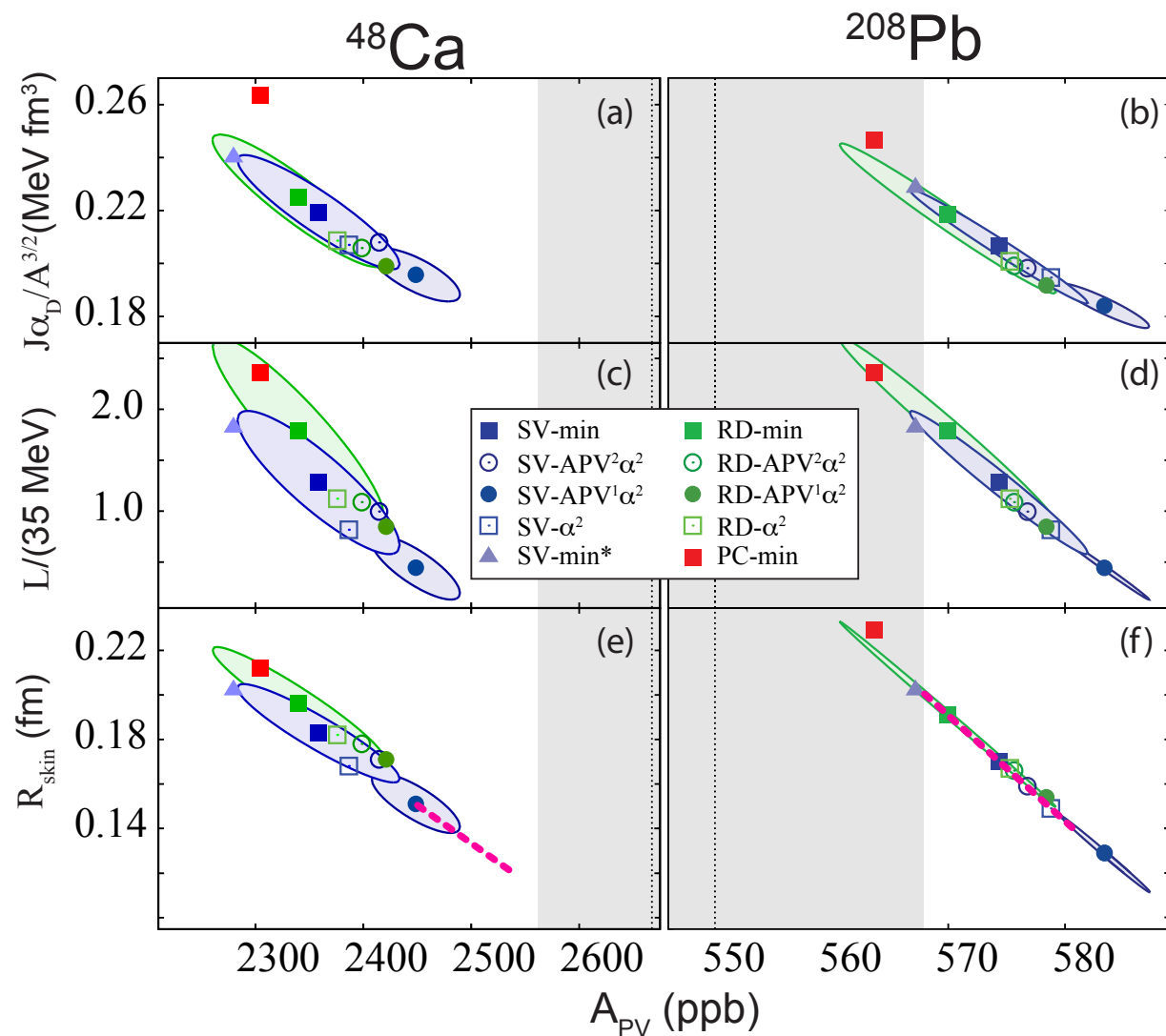
20–120 MeV
150%

20

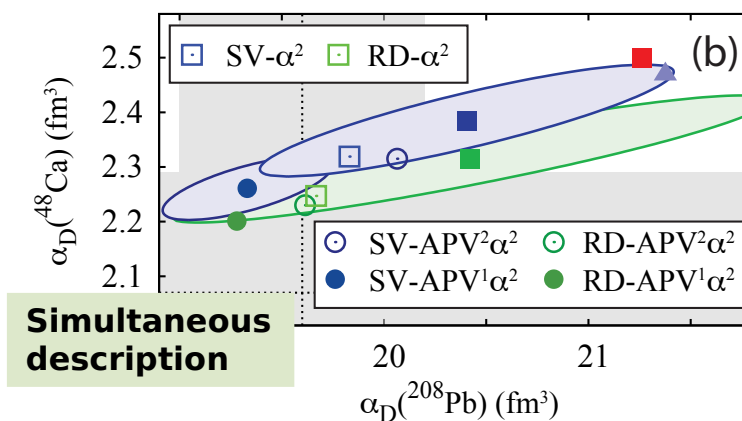
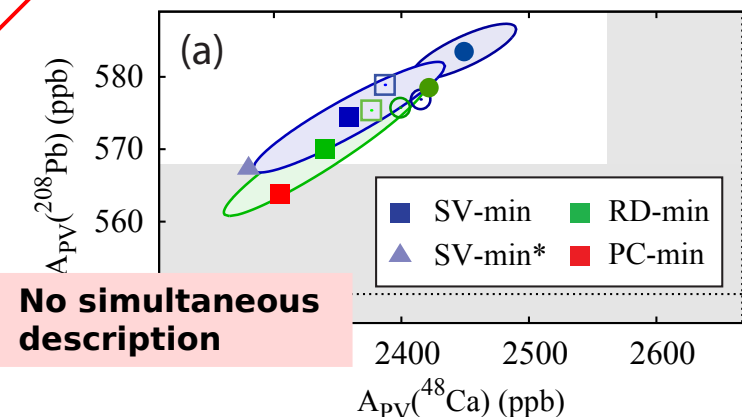
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0-260 MeV 25%	K_0	$M(N, Z)$	220-245	Most accurate EDFs on $M(N, Z)$ and $\langle r_{ch}^2 \rangle^{1/2}$ (see Section 5)	
		ISGMR	220-260	From EDFs in closed shell nuclei [116]	
		ISGMR	250-315	Blaizot's formula [Eq. (32)] [51]	
		ISGMR	~200	EDF describing also open shell nuclei [118]	
30-35 MeV 15%	J	$M(N, Z)$	29-35.6	Most accurate EDFs on $M(N, Z)$ and $\langle r_{ch}^2 \rangle^{1/2}$ (see Section 5)	
		IVGDR	~24.1(8) + L/8	From EDF analysis [$S(\rho = 0.1 \text{ fm}^{-3}) = 24.1(8) \text{ MeV}$] [273]	
		PDS	30.2-33.8	From EDF analysis [370]	
		PDS	31.0-33.6	From EDF analysis [371]	
		α_D	24.5(8) + 0.168(7)L	From EDF analysis ^{208}Pb [96]	
		α_D	30-35	From EDF analysis [179]	
		IAS and Δr_{np}	30.2-33.7	From EDF analysis [325]	
		AGDR	31.2-35.4	From EDF analysis [401]	
		PDS, α_D , IVGQR, AGDR	32-33	From EDF analysis [508]	
		compilation	29.0-32.7	[106]	
		compilation	30.7-32.5	[107]	
		compilation	28.5-34.9	[3]	
	20-120 MeV 150%	L	$M(N, Z)$	27-113	Most accurate EDFs on $M(N, Z)$ and $\langle r_{ch}^2 \rangle^{1/2}$ (see Section 5)
			ρ_n	40-110	proton- ^{208}Pb scattering [24]
		ρ_n	0-60	π photoproduction (^{208}Pb) [181]	
		ρ_n	30-80	antiprotonic at. (EDF analysis) [102,509]	
		ρ_{weak}	>20	Parity violating scattering [27]	
		PDS	32-54	From EDF analysis [370]	
		PDS	49.1-80.5	From EDF analysis [371]	
		α_D	20-66	From EDF analysis [179]	
		IVGQR and ISGQR	19-55	From EDF analysis [101]	
		IAS and Δr_{np}	35-75	From EDF analysis [325]	
		AGDR	75.2-122.4	From EDF analysis [401]	
		PDS, α_D , IVGQR, AGDR	45.2-54.6	From EDF analysis [508]	
		compilation	40.5-61.9	[106]	
		compilation	42.4-75.4	[107]	
	compilation	30.6-86.8	[3]		
??	K_τ	ρ_n	-620 to -400	antiprotonic at. (EDF analysis) [102]	
		ISGMR	-650 to -450	α -scattering Sn isotopes [55]	
		ISGMR	-630 to -480	α -scattering Cd isotopes [111]	
		ISGMR	-840 to -350	Blaizot's formula [Eq. (32)] [51]	

Parity Violating Electron scattering and Dipole polarizability: ^{48}Ca and ^{208}Pb



Theoretical (EDFs and ab initio) and experimental 1σ errors overlap in ^{208}Pb but not in ^{48}Ca



Conclusions

- The **isospin dependence** of the nuclear **EoS** around saturation density (mostly L) and, to a lesser extent, **the nuclear matter incompressibility** (K) remain to be accurately determined.
- **Experimental and theoretical** efforts in finding and measuring observables specially **sensitive** to the **EoS** properties is of paramount **importance** for **low-energy nuclear physics** and **nuclear astrophysics**.
- **PREx & CREx**: Until the **tension** between **theory and experiment** is **resolved**, one should exercise extreme **caution** when interpreting the new **A_{PV} measurements** in the context of **neutron skins** or **nuclear symmetry energy**

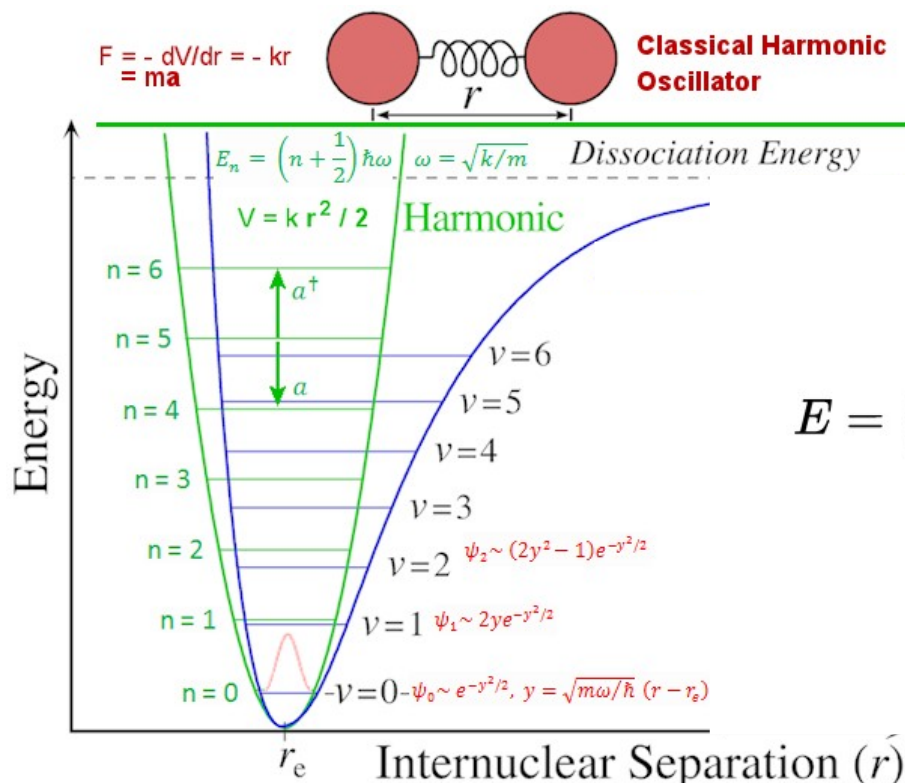
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Backup

Giant Resonances: Harmonic oscillator

Assuming **nucleons** as **non-interacting** fermions confined in an **Harmonic Oscillator** (HO) trap with suitable $\hbar\omega_0$ (shell gap) and apply **harmonic perturbation**



The **HO Hamiltonian**, in terms of the conjugate variables α and $d\alpha/dt$ and the C and B parameters under the action of an harmonic perturbation ($\mathbf{F} = -\kappa\alpha$), could be written as (B&M):

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_0 + F \rightarrow \mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2}B_0\dot{\alpha}^2 + \frac{1}{2}(C_0 + \kappa)\alpha^2$$

$$E = \left(\frac{1}{B_0} \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial \alpha^2} \right)^{1/2} \quad E = E_0 \left(1 + \frac{\kappa}{C_0} \right)^{1/2}$$

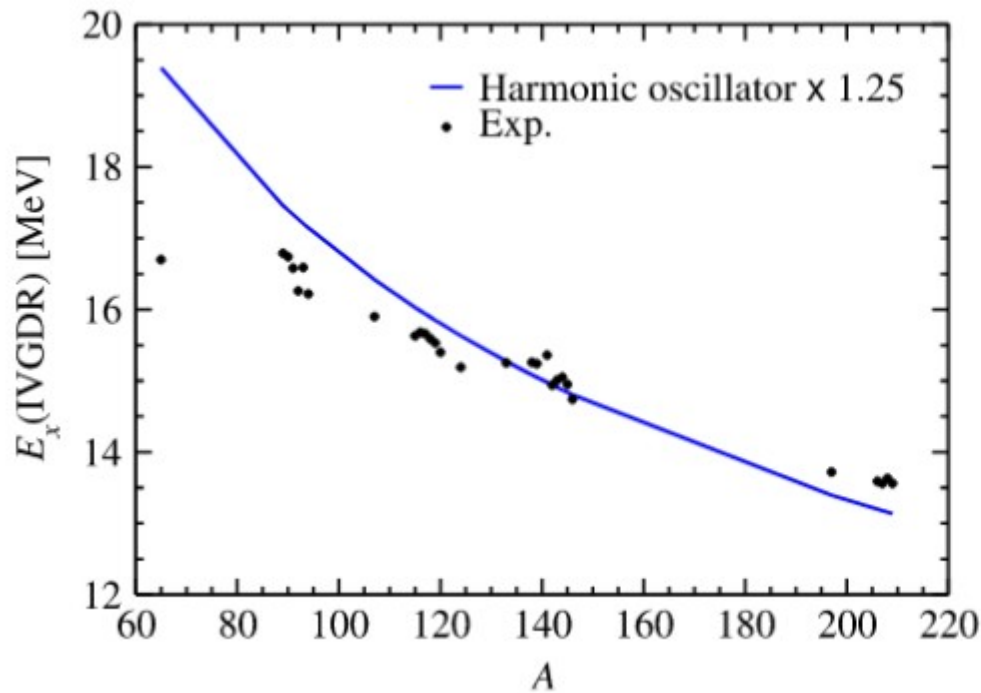
Depending on the type of perturbation $\rightarrow$

$$E \propto \left(\frac{\partial^2 e}{\partial \delta^2} \right)^{1/2} = [S(\rho)]^{1/2}$$

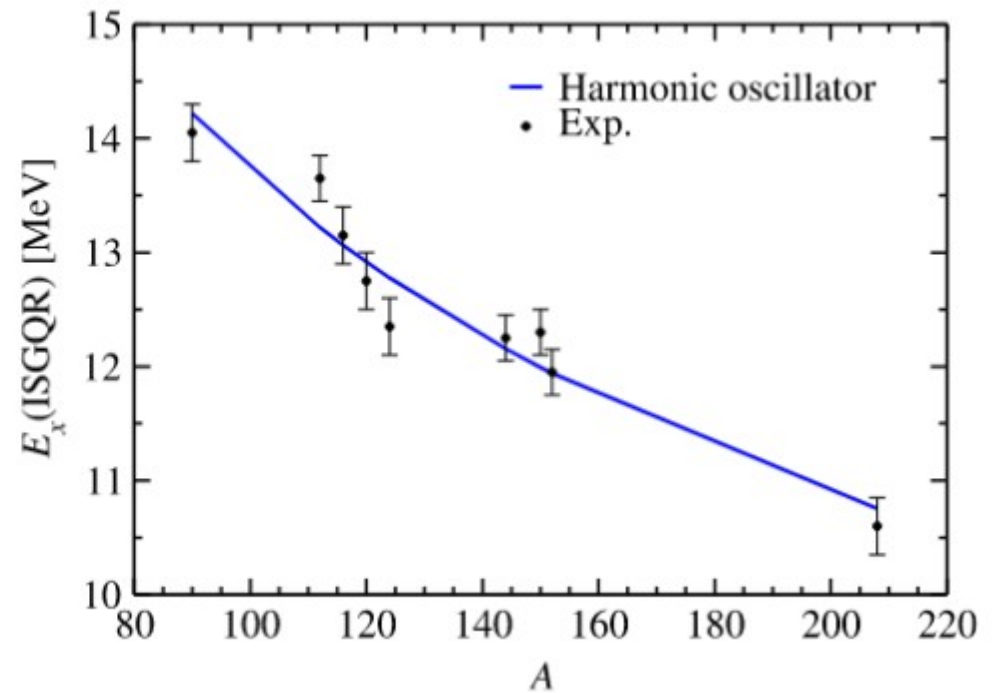
$$E \propto \left(\frac{\partial^2 e}{\partial \rho^2} \right)^{1/2} = [K]^{1/2}$$

Giant Resonances: HO qualitative trends

IV Giant Dipole Resonance



IS Giant Quadrupole Resonance

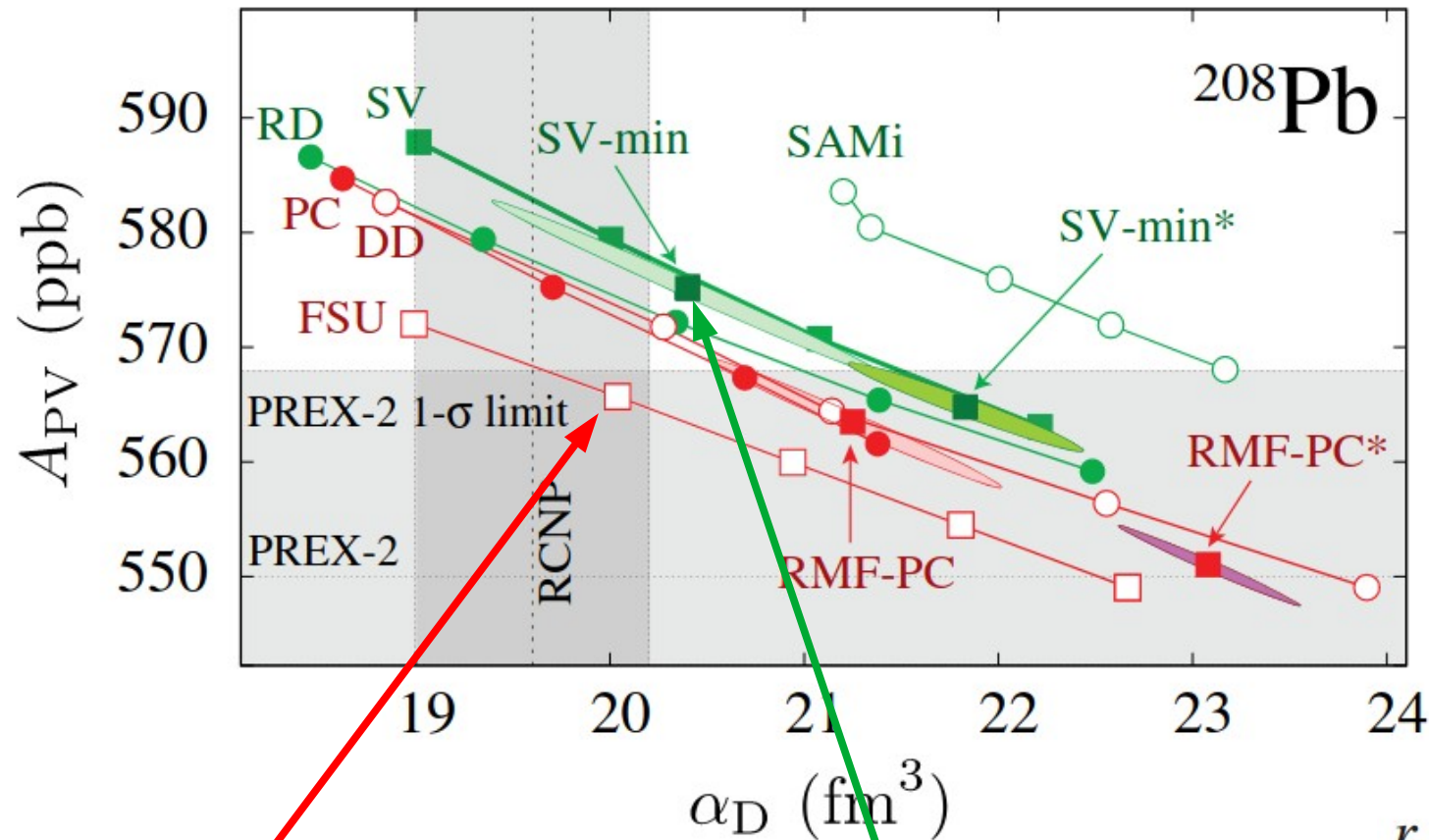


$$\hbar\omega^{\text{IVGDR}} = \hbar\omega_0 \left(1 + \frac{\hbar^2}{4m\langle r^2 \rangle} \frac{V_{\text{sym}}}{\hbar^2\omega_0^2} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\hbar\omega^{\text{ISGQR}} = \sqrt{2 \frac{m}{m^*}} \hbar\omega_0$$

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Parity Violating Electron scattering and Dipole polarizability: ^{208}Pb



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SV-min, suitable model to predict EoS around ρ_0 and Δr_{np}

B and **Rch** away from “expected” EDF accuracy for B and Rch

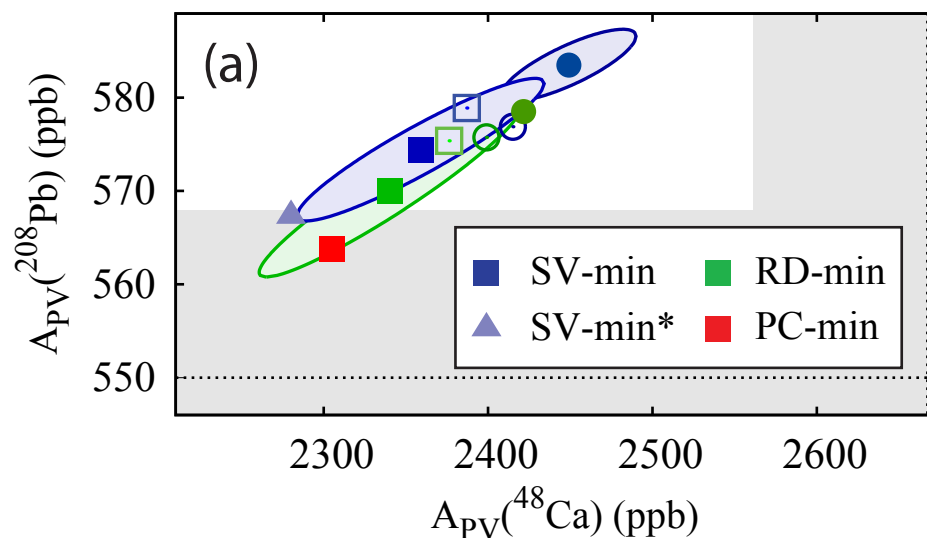
Theoretical and experimental 1 σ errors overlap for SV-min but not overlap both exp.

$$r_{\text{skin}} = 0.19 \pm 0.02 \text{ fm}$$

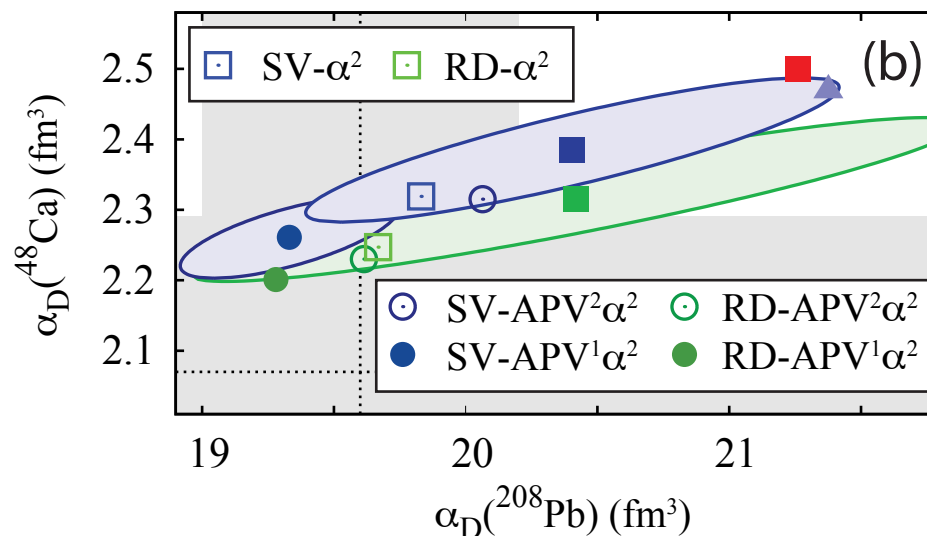
$$L = 54 \pm 8 \text{ MeV}$$

Parity Violating Electron scattering and Dipole polarizability: ^{48}Ca & ^{208}Pb

No simultaneous description

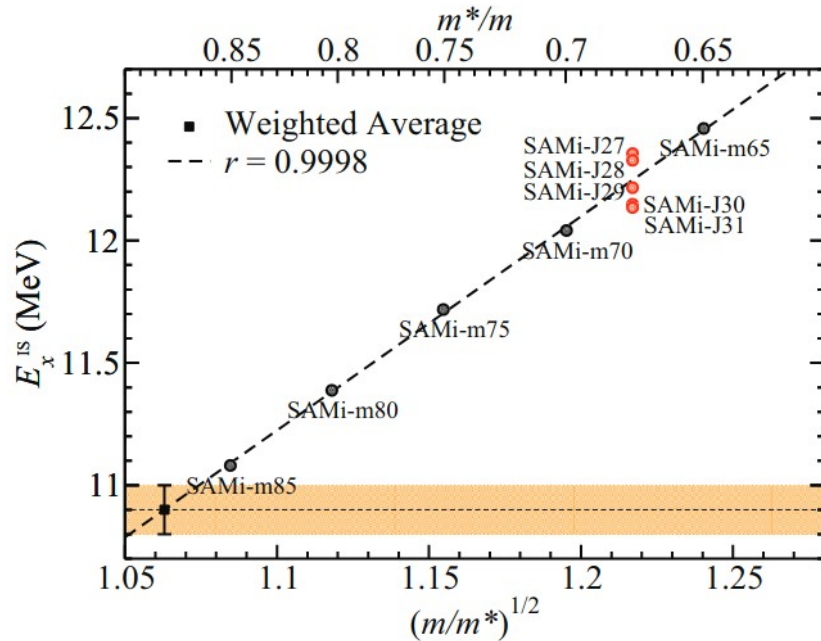


Simultaneous description



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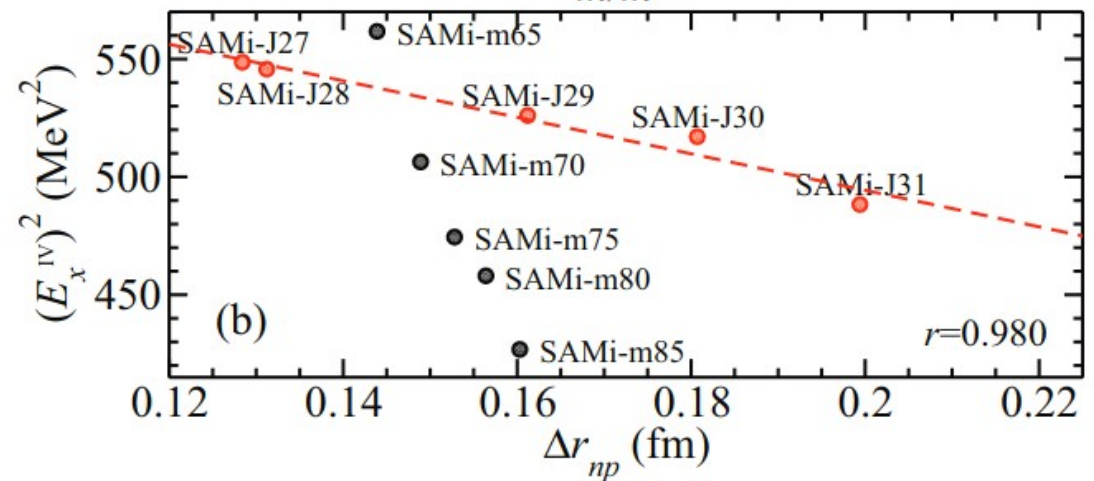
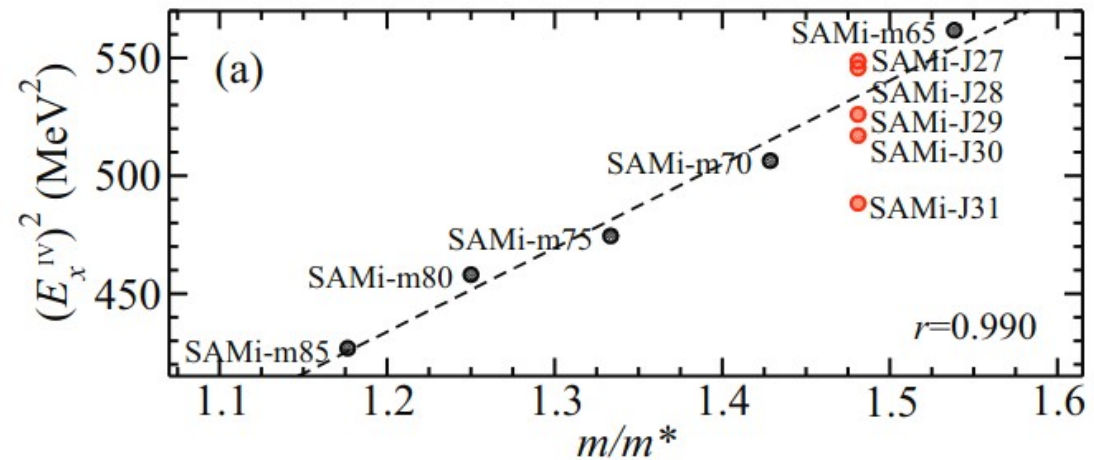
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$$E_x^{\text{IS}} = \sqrt{2m/m^*} \hbar \omega_0,$$

From HO one would expect dependence on m^* and symmetry energy:

$$E_x^{\text{IV}} \approx 2 \left[\frac{m}{m^*} (\hbar \omega_0)^2 + 2 \frac{\varepsilon_{\text{F}\infty}^2}{A^{2/3}} \left(\frac{3S(\rho_A)}{\varepsilon_{\text{F}\infty}} - 1 \right) \right]^{1/2}$$

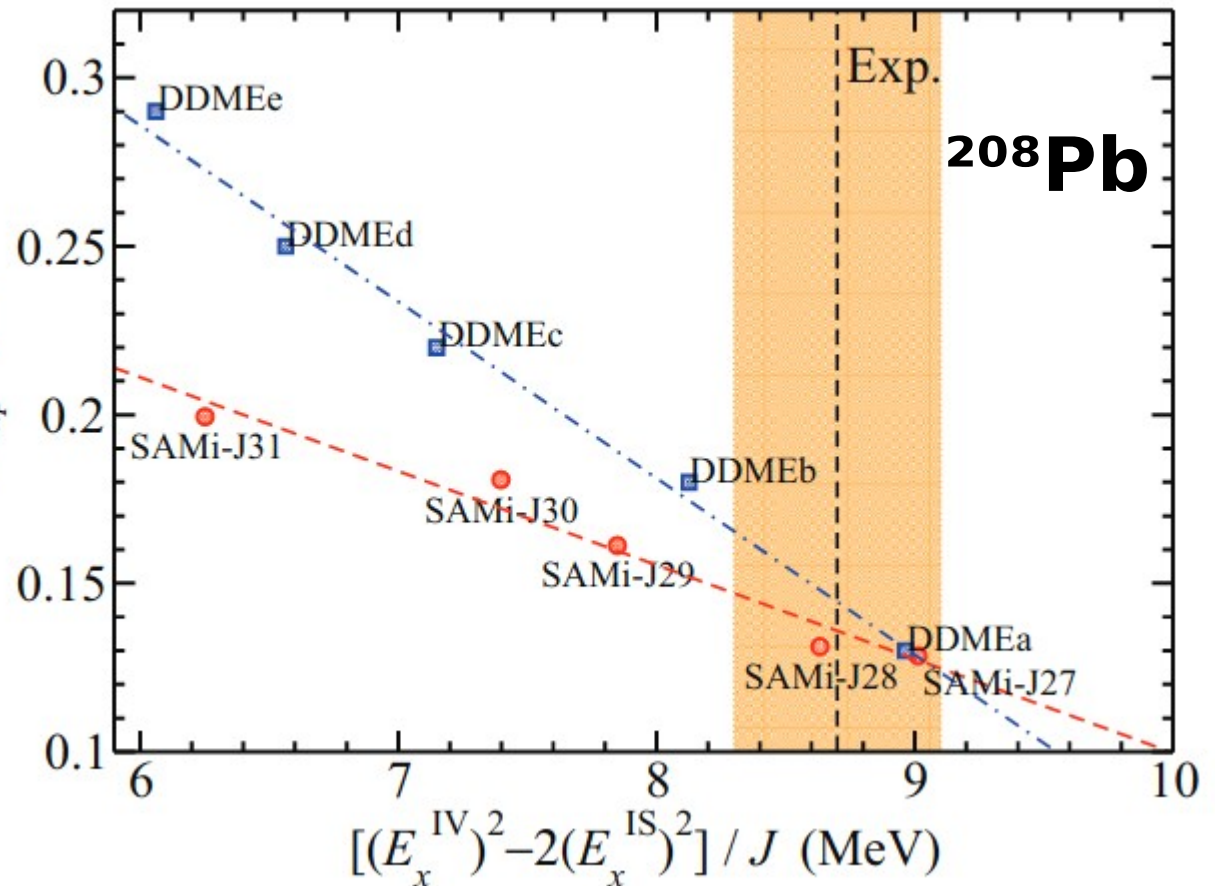


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→ From HO model
one would expect:

$$\Delta r_{np} \sim \left[\frac{(E_x^{\text{IV}})^2 - 2(E_x^{\text{IS}})^2}{J} \right] \Delta r_{np} \text{ (fm)}$$

$$\frac{\Delta r_{np} - \Delta r_{np}^{\text{surf}}}{\langle r^2 \rangle^{1/2}} = \frac{2}{3}(I - I_C) \left\{ 1 - \frac{\varepsilon_{F\infty}}{3J} - \frac{3}{7} \frac{I_C}{I - I_C} - \frac{A^{2/3}}{24\varepsilon_{F\infty}} \left[\frac{(E_x^{\text{IV}})^2 - 2(E_x^{\text{IS}})^2}{J} \right] \right\}.$$



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