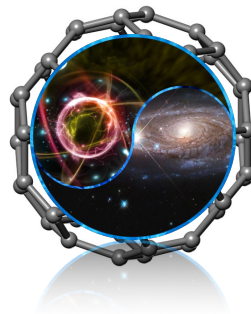




“Ab-initio” nuclear response theory and emergent quasiparticle-vibration coupling



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The scope:

- Nuclear structure theory has strived for decades to achieve *accurate computation of nuclear spectra*, needed for many applications, but this is still difficult
- We address this problem by developing the relativistic nuclear field theory (RNFT) in *the model-independent Equation of Motion (EOM) framework* using the universal QFT language, quantifying *fermionic correlation functions (FCFs)*. ~All models follow from it
- The theory (i) is transferable across the energy scales, (ii) capable of identifying the bottlenecks of the existing nuclear structure approaches, and (iii) *opens the door to spectroscopic accuracy*
- In this formulation, *dynamical interaction kernels of the FCF EOMs* are the source of the *richness* of the nuclear wave functions in terms of their *configuration complexity* and the major ingredient for an accurate description with *quantified uncertainties*
- Electromagnetic and weak probes are the most informative ones for benchmarking the theory and constitute the majority of applications: *selected highlights for nuclear excited states*
- **Goals:** (i) reaching shell-model quality in large model spaces and energy intervals; (ii) understanding the genesis of fundamental interactions
- **Open problems**

Exact “ab initio” equation of motion (EOM) for the two-fermion correlation function with an unspecified NN interaction

$$H = \sum_{12} \bar{\psi}_1 (-i\gamma \cdot \nabla + M)_{12} \psi_2 + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{1234} \bar{\psi}_1 \bar{\psi}_2 \bar{v}_{1234} \psi_4 \psi_3 + \dots = T + V^{(2)} + \dots$$

Bare (Relativistic) Hamiltonian

Particle-hole correlator or two-time propagator (response function):

$$R_{12,1'2'}(t - t') = -i \langle T(\bar{\psi}_1 \psi_2)(t) (\bar{\psi}_{2'} \psi_{1'})(t') \rangle$$

In-medium scattering amplitude spectra of excitations, decays, ...

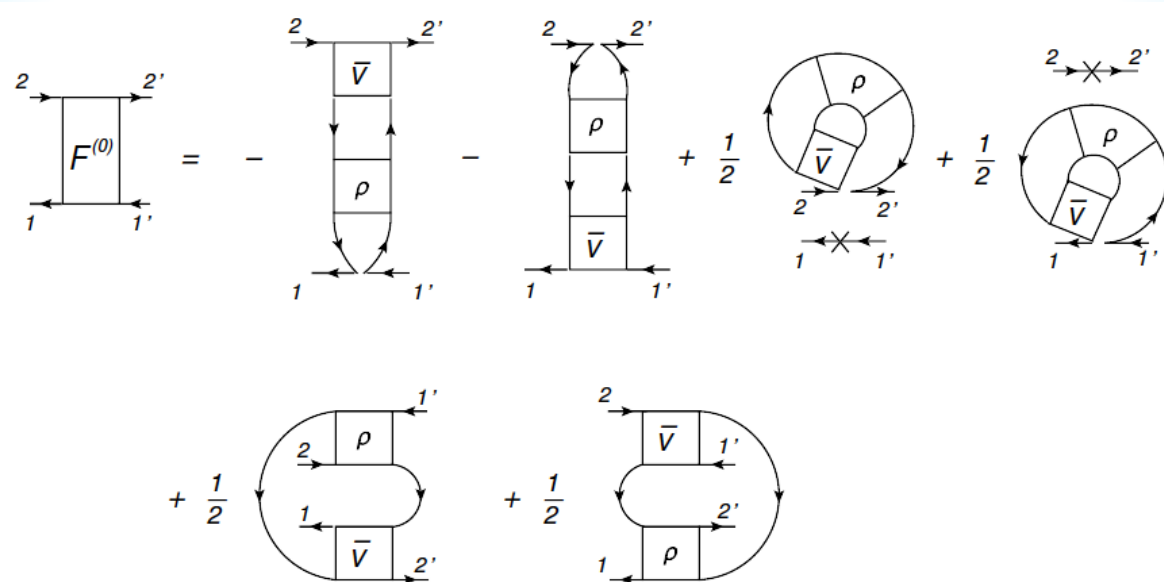
EOM: Bethe-Salpeter-(Dyson) Equation ()**

$$R(\omega) = R^{(0)}(\omega) + R^{(0)}(\omega) F(\omega) R(\omega)$$

Irreducible kernel (exact): in-medium “interaction”

$$F(t - t') = F^{(0)} \delta(t - t') + F^{(r)}(t - t')$$

Instantaneous term (“bosonic” mean field):
Short-range correlations

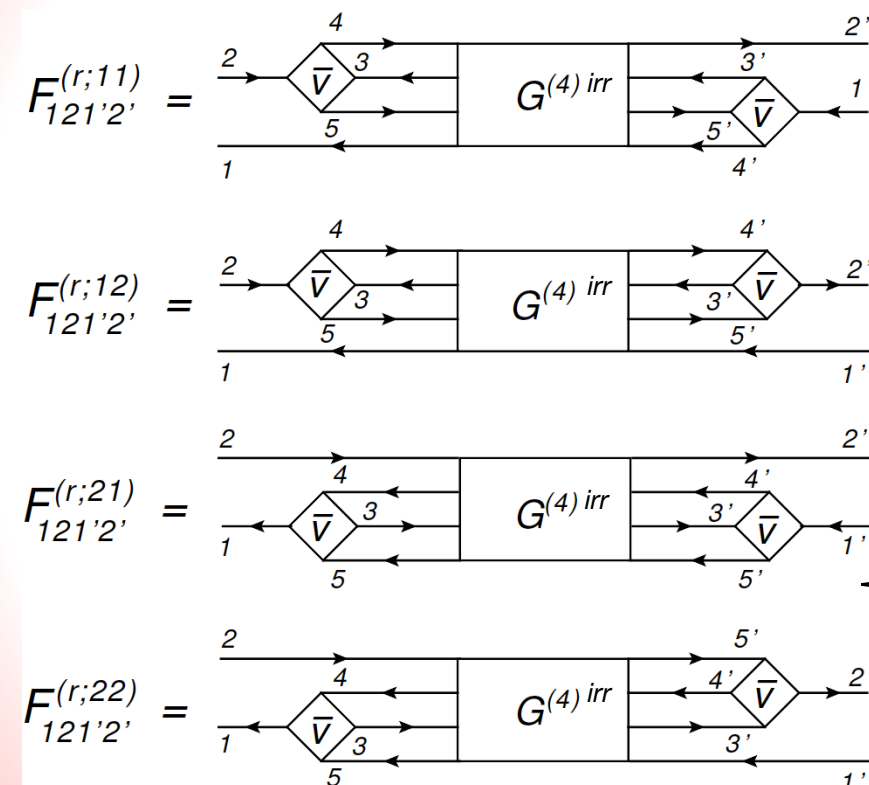


Self-consistent mean field $F^{(0)}$, where

$$\rho_{12,1'2'} = \delta_{22'} \rho_{11'} - i \lim_{t' \rightarrow t+0} R_{2'1,21'}(t - t')$$

contains the full solution of () including the dynamical term!**

t -dependent (dynamical) term:
Long-range correlations:
Couples to higher-rank FCFs



E.L. & P. Schuck, PRC 100, 064320 (2019)



Peter Schuck
(1940-2022)

Symmetric form:

P. Schuck,
J. Dukelsky,
S. Adachi, et al.

Non-Symmetric form: see

J. Schwinger,
F. Dyson,
et al.

Language remarks: “ab initio”

- *Ab initio* = "from the beginning" (lat.), in science and engineering "from first principles"
- **First-principle theory** does not (yet) exist:
Even the Standard Model (SM) is an effective theory:

$V \approx g\bar{\psi}\phi\psi$

~20 parameters:
masses, coupling constants,
etc.

Open questions:

- Can the SM be UV-completed and include gravity?
- What are the SM interactions?
- What is the origin of the Higgs potential?
- What is dark matter & energy?
- Neutrino mass?
- ...

The Standard Model

The image is a periodic table of elementary particles, organized into three main categories: Quarks, Leptons, and Gauge Bosons. Each particle is represented by a card showing its mass, charge, spin, symbol, and name.

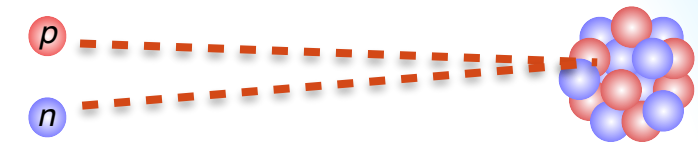
Category	Particle	Mass (MeV/c^2)	Charge	Spin	Symbol	Name
QUARKS	up	≈ 2.3	$2/3$	$1/2$	u	up
	charm	≈ 1.275	$2/3$	$1/2$	c	charm
	top	≈ 173.07	$2/3$	$1/2$	t	top
	down	≈ 4.8	$-1/3$	$1/2$	d	down
	strange	≈ 95	$-1/3$	$1/2$	s	strange
	bottom	≈ 4.18	$-1/3$	$1/2$	b	bottom
LEPTONS	electron	0.511	-1	$1/2$	e	electron
	muon	105.7	-1	$1/2$	μ	muon
	tau	1.777	-1	$1/2$	τ	tau
	electron neutrino	< 2.2	0	$1/2$	ν_e	electron neutrino
	muon neutrino	< 0.17	0	$1/2$	ν_μ	muon neutrino
	tau neutrino	< 15.5	0	$1/2$	ν_τ	tau neutrino
GAUGE BOSONS	gluon	0	0	1	g	gluon
	photon	0	0	1	γ	photon
	Z boson	91.2	0	1	Z	Z boson
	W boson	80.4	± 1	1	W	W boson
	Higgs boson	≈ 126	0	0	H	Higgs boson

The Standard Model of physics describes the known particles and forces that operate at the tiny quantum scale. (Wikimedia Commons: Miss J)

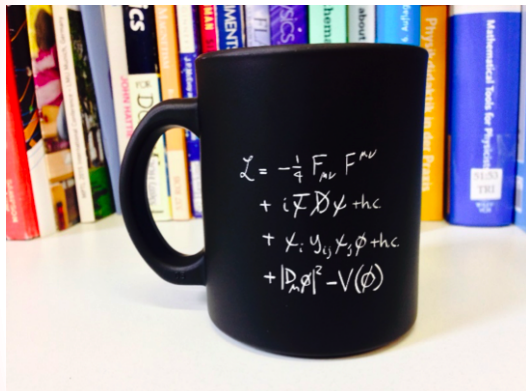
**“Bare”
Interaction**
(aka forces,
potentials):

Ab initio...

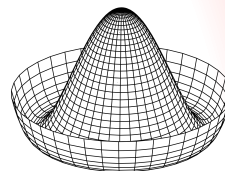
$$V(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2)$$



- In **Theoretical Physics**: knowing the bare (vacuum) interaction between the two particles, quantitatively describing the many-particle system (yet impossible with desired accuracy for strong coupling)
- “Ab initio” (UV-complete) is the opposite of “effective”



*Higgs mechanism
of mass generation
(~ mean field)*



$$\mathcal{L} = (\partial_\mu \phi)^\dagger (\partial^\mu \phi) - V(\phi),$$

$$V(\phi) = \mu^2 \phi^\dagger \phi + \lambda (\phi^\dagger \phi)^2.$$

Language remarks [for medium-mass and heavy systems]

To the narratives:

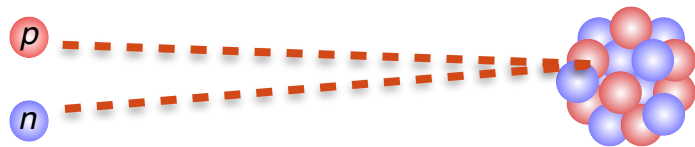
- (i) There is an *ab initio* nuclear theory as opposed to “traditional” nuclear theory
- (ii) There is “the theory” (χ PT potential) and there are “models” (the many-body approaches)
- (iii) Only *ab initio* χ PT can provide quantified uncertainties
- (iv) There are equally good many-body “solvers” which are unimportant attachments to χ PT

Which are wrong

“Bare”
Interaction
(aka forces,
potentials):

$$V(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2)$$

Ab initio...



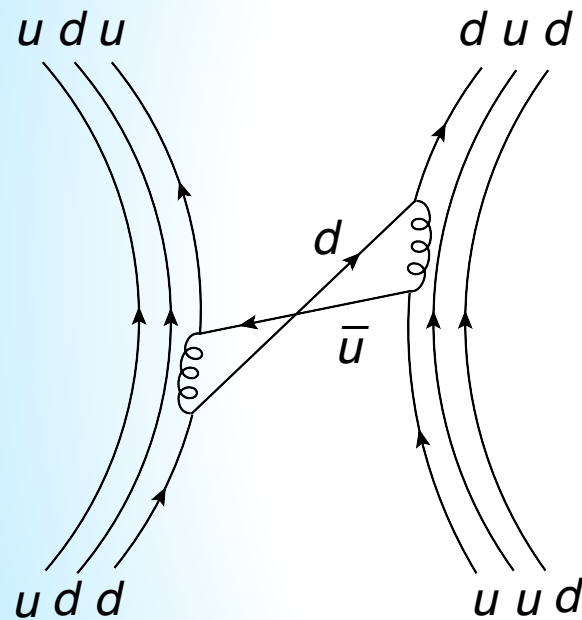
- In **Theoretical Physics**: knowing the bare (vacuum) interaction between two particles, quantitatively describe the many-particle system
- “Ab initio = UV-complete” as opposed to “effective”
- Interactions adjusted to many-particle systems (e.g., finite nuclei) are not *ab initio* but effective

Formulation of the theory and its implementation

- We can formulate an *ab initio* theory, but it has not been implemented accurately (yet). Working with effective interactions, we still need *an ab initio theory in the theoretical physics sense* to constrain concrete implementations, e.g., for maintaining their algebraic structure.
- All “traditional” microscopic many-body models employing effective interactions can be derived *ab initio* and represent various approximations to the static and dynamical kernels of the same formally exact EOMs.
- Paraphrasing Steven Weinberg, saying that “all non-renormalizable theories are as renormalizable as renormalizable theories”, we find that, in the theoretical physics sense, **“traditional” theories are as ab initio as ab initio theories :)**

NN-interaction: a relay of EFTs

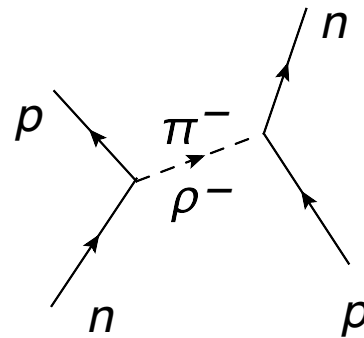
Quantum Chromodynamics
(QCD, high energy)



“Almost”
calculable



Quantum
Hadrodynamics (QHD,
intermediate energy)

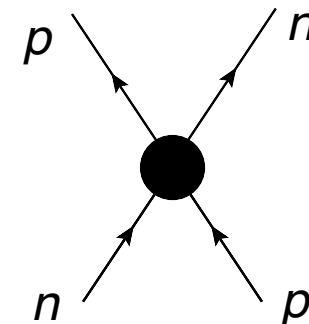


Meson exchange

“Almost”
calculable



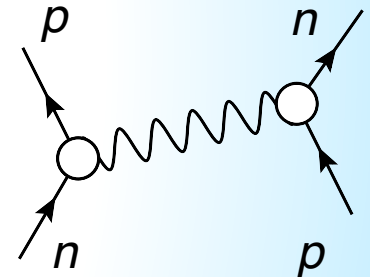
Nuclear
Structure
(NS, low energy)



DFT: effective coupling

“Almost”
calculable

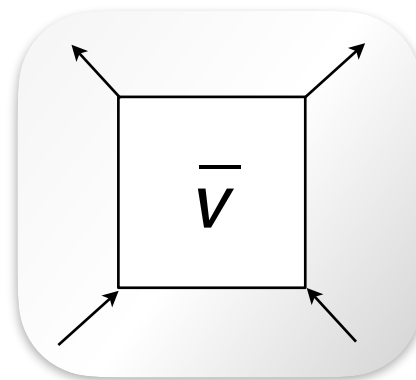
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Induced in-medium
phonon exchange

“Ab initio” many-body theory

- Assumes a generic, unspecified bare “interaction”: model-independent, all channels included on the tree level
- Higher orders are treated via **in-medium propagators**
- No perturbation theory (strong coupling)



Static, extracted from
the NN-scattering
Generally, it can
contain retardation)

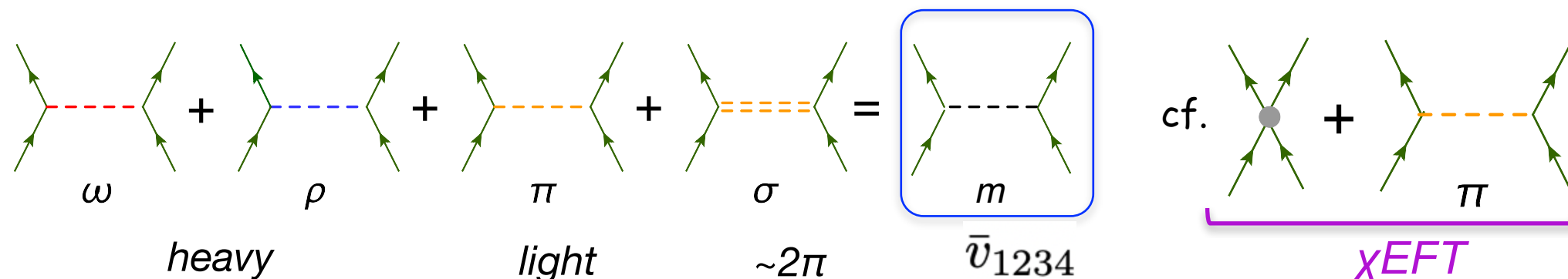
Implementations:

- Meson-exchange (ME) at leading order
- Effective coupling constants/masses (adjusted at the mean-field (MF) level, NL3(*)) + subtraction of qPVC (P. Ring et al., V. Tselyaev)
- Bare ME + subtraction of MF artifacts (ongoing; first results are good)
- Goal: accuracy + predictive power**

Linking the nucleon-nucleon NN(...N) interaction and the many-body theory

Quantum
Hadrodynamics
(QHD)

Tree-level:

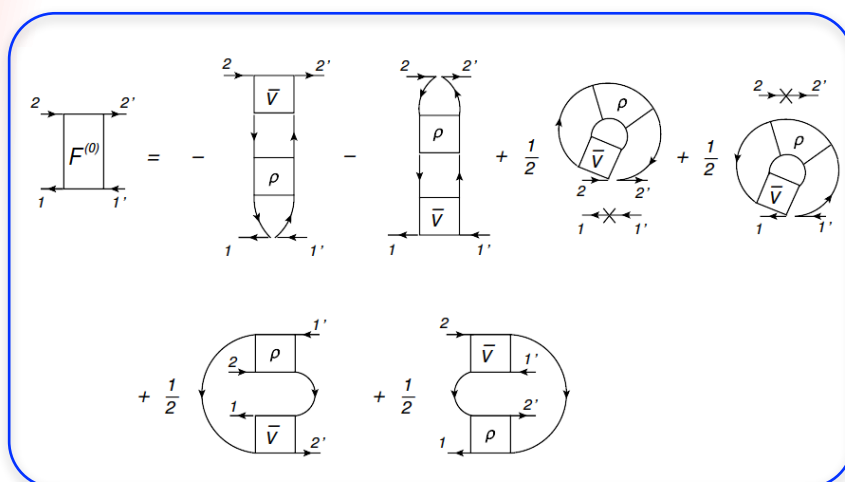


RNFT (this work): non-PT, in-medium
beyond the tree-level

Beyond the leading order:

cf. χEFT : PT for hadrons in the vacuum

E. Epelbaum et al., Front. Phys. 8, 98 (2020)

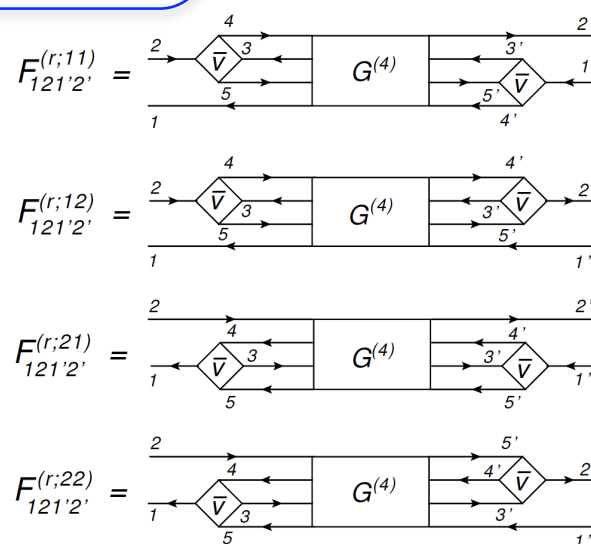


Static

+ Dynamical

New spontaneously
broken symmetries:

The in-medium power counting is associated
with emergent scales of low-energy collective modes
in medium-heavy nuclei



+ Dynamical

Many-body... "solver" (?)

Beyond light nuclei incorrect:

- Standard "solvers" are too simplistic
- Bare NN and many-body theory should be linked consistently
- In the correlated nuclear medium, the χEFT power counting becomes irrelevant: new Nambu-Goldstone modes emerge

	Two-nucleon force	Three-nucleon force	Four-nucleon force
LO (Q^0)		—	—
NLO (Q^2)		—	—
N ² LO (Q^3)			—
N ³ LO (Q^4)			
N ⁴ LO (Q^5)			

Dynamical kernels: bridging scales and emergent EFT

• **Quantum many-body problem:** Direct EOM for $G^{(n)}$ generates $G^{(n+2)}$ in the (symmetric) dynamical kernels and further high-rank correlation functions (CFs); $N_{\text{Equations}} \sim N_{\text{Particles}} \& \text{ Coupled}$ 🙈 !!!

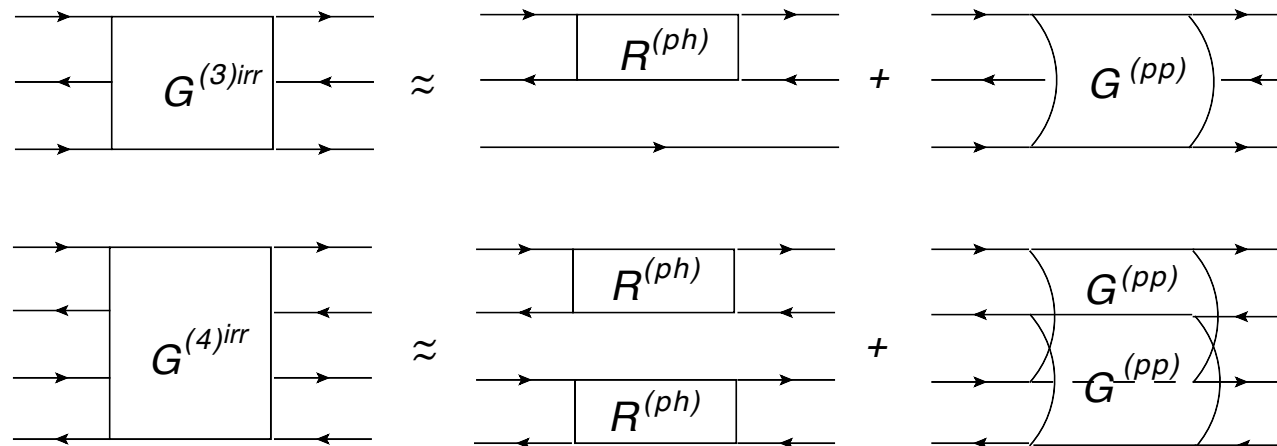
• **Non-perturbative solutions:**

Cluster decomposition
[QFT, S. Weinberg]

$$\begin{aligned} \blacklozenge G^{(3)} &= \boxed{G^{(1)} G^{(1)} G^{(1)}} + \boxed{G^{(2)} G^{(1)}} + \boxed{\Xi^{(3)}} \\ \blacklozenge G^{(4)} &= \boxed{G^{(1)} G^{(1)} G^{(1)} G^{(1)}} + \boxed{G^{(2)} G^{(2)}} + \boxed{G^{(3)} G^{(1)} + \Xi^{(4)}} \end{aligned}$$

weak **intermediate** **strong** coupling
self-consistent GFs phonon coupling Faddeev +
second RPA etc. this work future work

Beyond weak coupling:

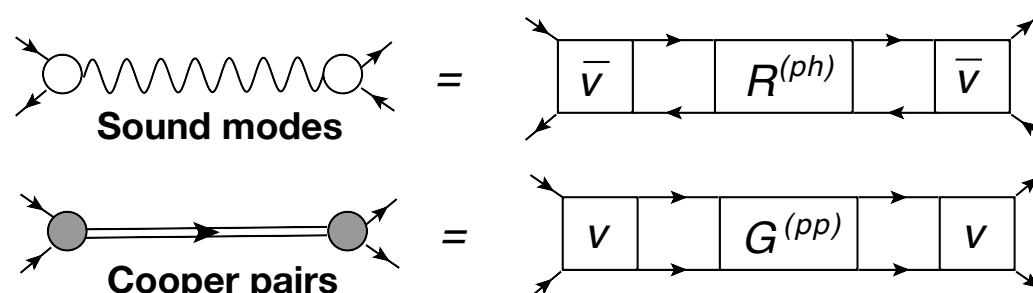


- P. C. Martin and J. S. Schwinger, *Phys. Rev.* 115, 1342 (1959).
- N. Vinh Mau, *Trieste Lectures* 1069, 931 (1970)
- P. Danielewicz and P. Schuck, *Nucl. Phys.* A567, 78 (1994)
- ...

Emergence of low-energy Nambu-Goldstone bosons, phonons
[SO(3) symmetry breaking]:

Emergence of superfluidity
[U(1) symmetry breaking]:

Exact mapping: particle-hole (2q) quasibound states



Quasiparticle-vibration coupling (qPVC) in nuclei. Cf. NFT

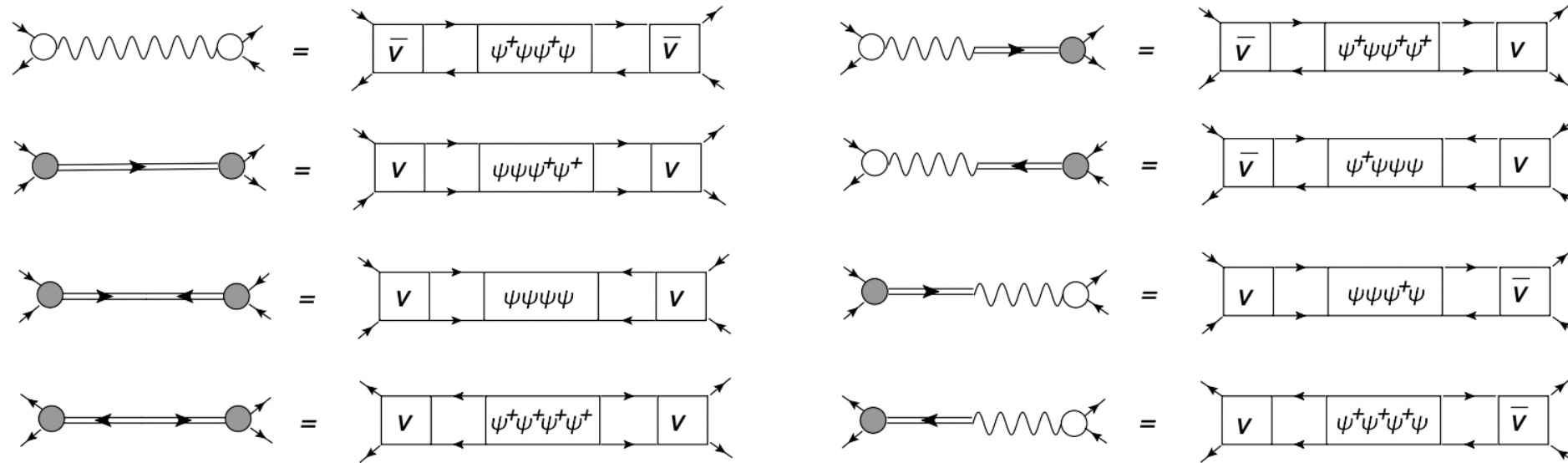
Diquarks in hadrons

Cf. C. Popovici, P. Watson, and H. Reinhardt [PRD83, 025013 (2011)]

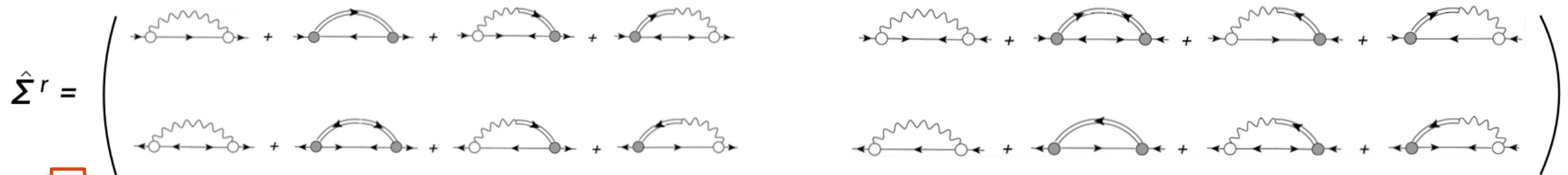
“Ab-initio” qPVC in superfluid systems

Superfluid dynamical kernel: adding particle-number violating contributions

Mapping on the qPVC in the canonical basis



Quasiparticle dynamical self-energy (matrix): normal and pairing phonons are unified



$\hat{\Sigma}^r =$

Bogoliubov transformation

**Compact form,
(almost) as simple as
non-superfluid**

Cf.: Quasiparticle static
self-energy (matrix) in HFB

$$\hat{\Sigma}^0 = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\Sigma}_{11'} & \Delta_{11'} \\ -\Delta_{11'}^* & -\tilde{\Sigma}_{11'}^T \end{pmatrix}$$

E.L., Y. Zhang, PRC 104, 044303 (2021)

Y. Zhang et al., PRC 105, 044326 (2022)

Finite-temperature superfluid formalism beyond QRPA

Theory is formulated in the HFB basis keeping 4x4 block matrix structure

superfluid

Correlated 2q-propagator
with Matsubara frequencies

S. Bhattacharjee, E.L., arXiv:2412.20751,
to appear in PRC (2026)

$$\hat{\mathcal{R}}_{\mu\mu'\nu\nu'}(\omega_n) = \hat{\mathcal{R}}_{\mu\mu'\nu\nu'}^0(\omega_n) + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\gamma\gamma'\delta\delta'} \hat{\mathcal{R}}_{\mu\mu'\gamma\gamma'}^0(\omega_n) \hat{\mathcal{K}}_{\gamma\gamma'\delta\delta'}(\omega_n) \hat{\mathcal{R}}_{\delta\delta'\nu\nu'}(\omega_n)$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{\mu\mu'\nu\nu'}^{[lk]}(\omega) = \sum_{fi} \sum_{\sigma=\pm} \sigma p_i \frac{\mathcal{Z}_{\mu\mu'}^{if[l\sigma]} \mathcal{Z}_{\nu\nu'}^{if[k\sigma]*}}{\omega - \sigma\omega_{fi}}$$

Uncorrelated 2q-propagator

$$\hat{\mathcal{R}}_{\mu\mu'\nu\nu'}^0(\omega_n) = [\omega_n - \hat{\Sigma}_3 \hat{E}_{\mu\mu'}]^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{N}}_{\mu\mu'\nu\nu'}$$

The norm matrix

$$\hat{\mathcal{N}}_{\mu\mu'\nu\nu'} =$$

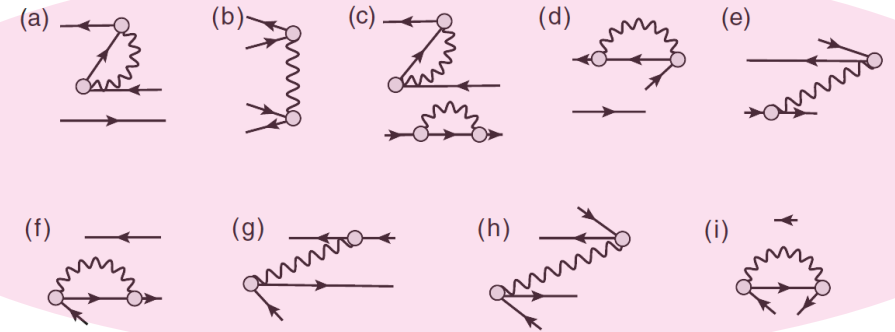
$$\left\langle \begin{pmatrix} [A_{\mu\mu'}, A_{\nu\nu'}^\dagger] & [A_{\mu\mu'}, A_{\nu\nu'}] & [A_{\mu\mu'}, C_{\nu\nu'}^\dagger] & [A_{\mu\mu'}, C_{\nu\nu'}] \\ [A_{\mu\mu'}^\dagger, A_{\nu\nu'}^\dagger] & [A_{\mu\mu'}^\dagger, A_{\nu\nu'}] & [A_{\mu\mu'}^\dagger, C_{\nu\nu'}^\dagger] & [A_{\mu\mu'}^\dagger, C_{\nu\nu'}] \\ [C_{\mu\mu'}, A_{\nu\nu'}^\dagger] & [C_{\mu\mu'}, A_{\nu\nu'}] & [C_{\mu\mu'}, C_{\nu\nu'}^\dagger] & [C_{\mu\mu'}, C_{\nu\nu'}] \\ [C_{\mu\mu'}^\dagger, A_{\nu\nu'}^\dagger] & [C_{\mu\mu'}^\dagger, A_{\nu\nu'}] & [C_{\mu\mu'}^\dagger, C_{\nu\nu'}^\dagger] & [C_{\mu\mu'}^\dagger, C_{\nu\nu'}] \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle$$

$$\langle O \rangle = \sum_i p_i \langle i | O | i \rangle \quad p_i = \frac{e^{-E_i/T}}{\sum_j e^{-E_j/T}}$$

The complete superfluid dynamical qPVC kernel

QRPA limit: $\mathcal{K}^r = 0$; talk by E. Yuksel

Complex GSC: a source of “natural” quenching
at both $T=0$ and $T>0$

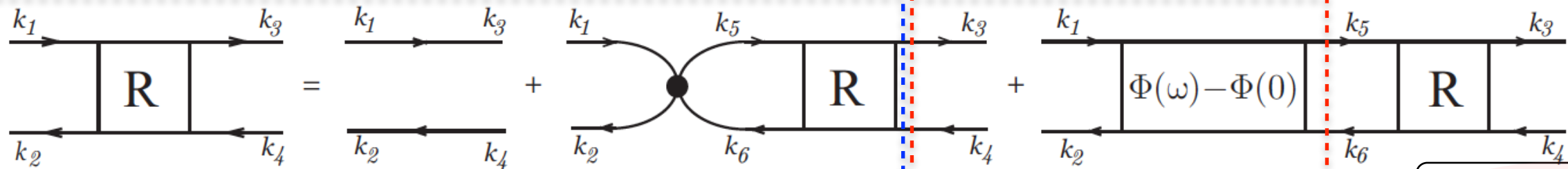


$$\mathcal{K}_{\mu\mu'\nu\nu'}^{r[11]cc(a)}(\omega_k) = \sum_{\gamma\delta n m} p_{i_n} p_{i_m} (1 - e^{-(\omega_n + \omega_m)/T}) \times \left[\frac{(\Gamma_{\mu\gamma}^{(11)n} \mathcal{X}_{\mu'\gamma}^m + \Gamma_{\mu\gamma}^{(02)\bar{n}*} \mathcal{U}_{\mu'\gamma}^m)(\mathcal{X}_{\nu'\delta}^{m*} \Gamma_{\nu\delta}^{(11)n*} + \mathcal{U}_{\nu'\delta}^{\bar{m}*} \Gamma_{\nu\delta}^{(02)\bar{n}})}{\omega_k - \omega_n - \omega_m} - \frac{(\Gamma_{\gamma\mu}^{(11)n*} \mathcal{Y}_{\mu'\gamma}^{m*} + \Gamma_{\gamma\mu}^{(02)\bar{n}} \mathcal{V}_{\mu'\gamma}^{\bar{m}*})(\mathcal{Y}_{\nu'\delta}^m \Gamma_{\delta\nu}^{(11)n} + \mathcal{V}_{\nu'\delta}^m \Gamma_{\delta\nu}^{(02)\bar{n}*})}{\omega_k + \omega_n + \omega_m} \right]$$

Nuclear response: toward a complete theory

toward ab initio $\Leftarrow$ static kernel V

dynamic kernel $\Rightarrow$ toward more complex configurations



Dyson-Bethe-Salpeter Equation:

$$R(\omega) = R^0(\omega) + R^0(\omega) [V + \Phi(\omega) - \Phi(0)] R(\omega)$$

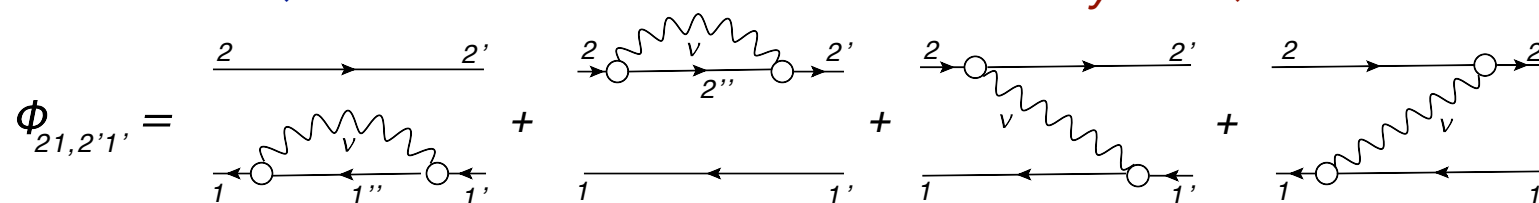
Subtraction
[V. Tselyaev 2013]

for effective interactions V
[P. Ring, A. Afanasjev, et al: CEDF]

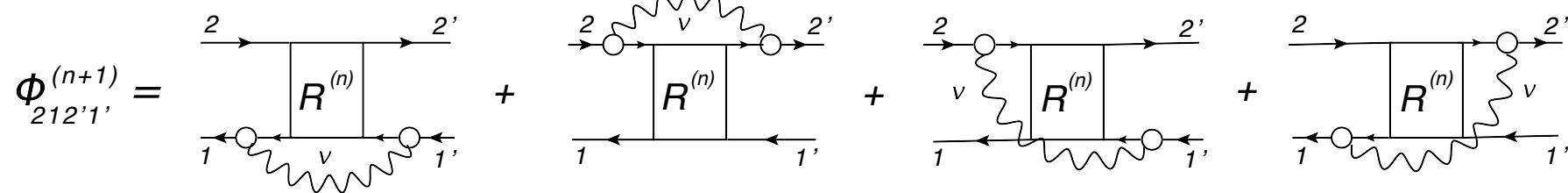
NFT is reproduced as the leading approximation
[talk by G. Còlo]

QRPA/REOM¹

Beyond QRPA: REOMⁿ



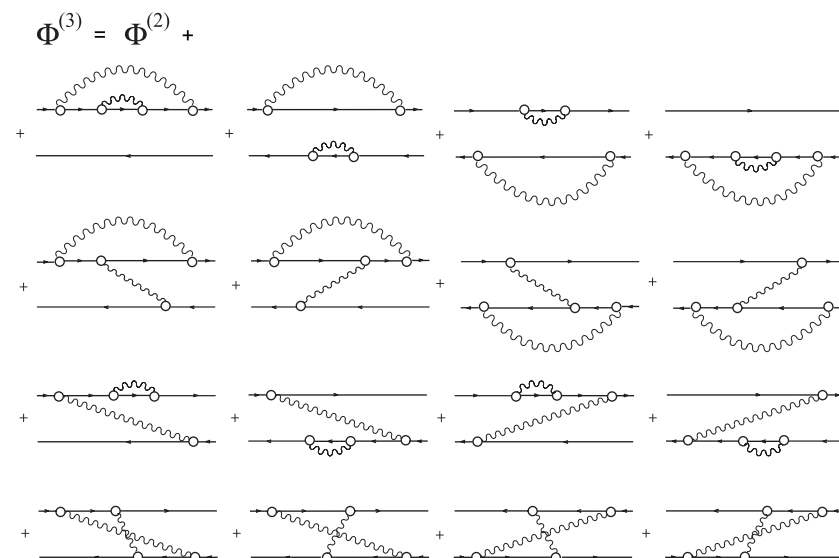
Extended NFT: closed cycle



Generalized approach for the correlated propagators

n -th order: E.L. PRC 91, 034332 (2015)

Ab-initio formulation,
 $\Phi^{(3)}$ implementation; $2q+2$ phonon correlations:
E.L., P. Schuck, PRC 100, 064320 (2019)

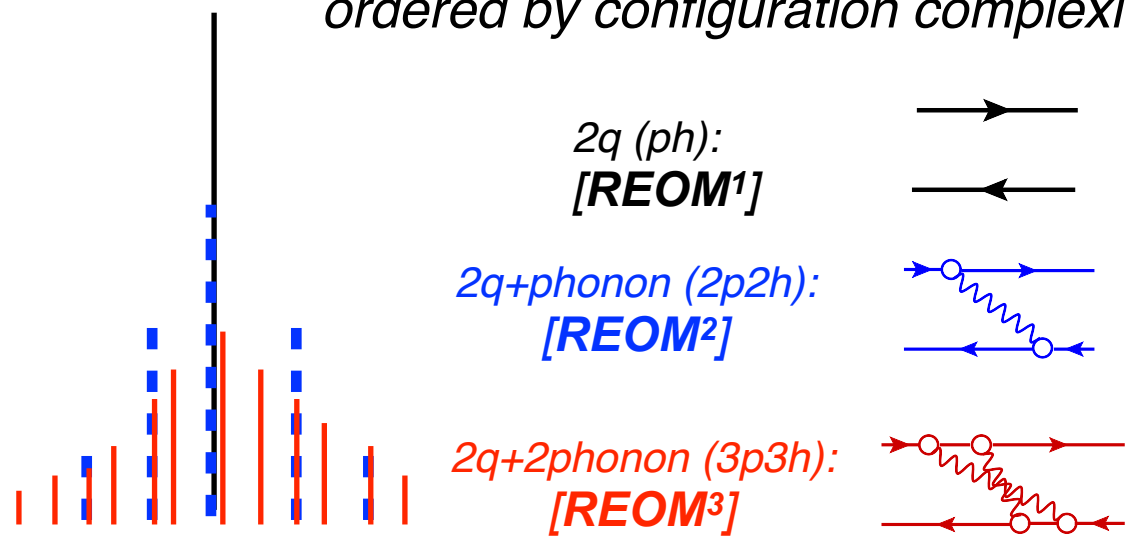


$2q+2$ phonon configurations in the q PVC expansion: after two iterations

Included in all orders (non-perturbatively)

Toward spectroscopic accuracy: correlated 3p3h beyond the leading qPVC

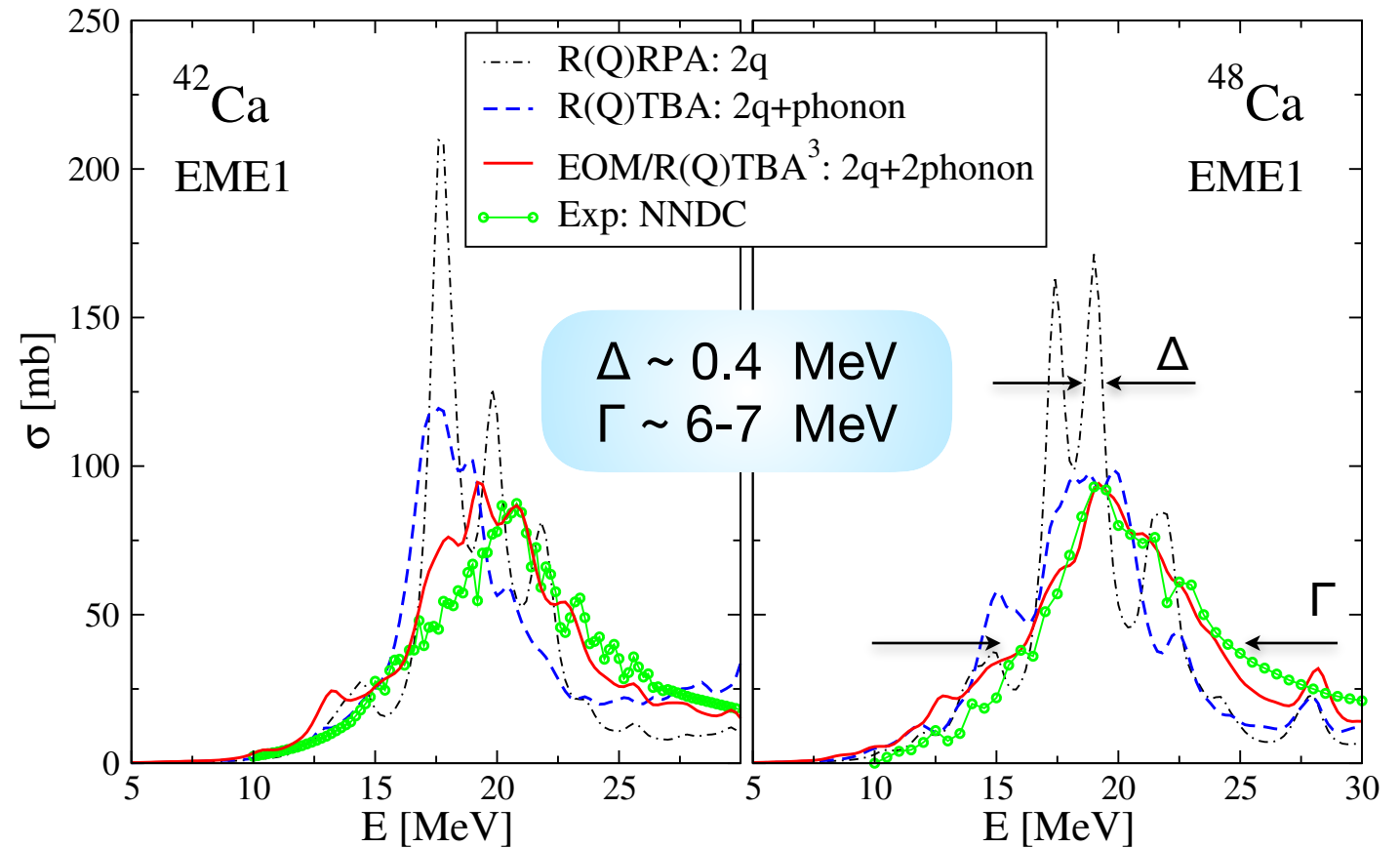
Fragmentation mechanism:
ordered by configuration complexity



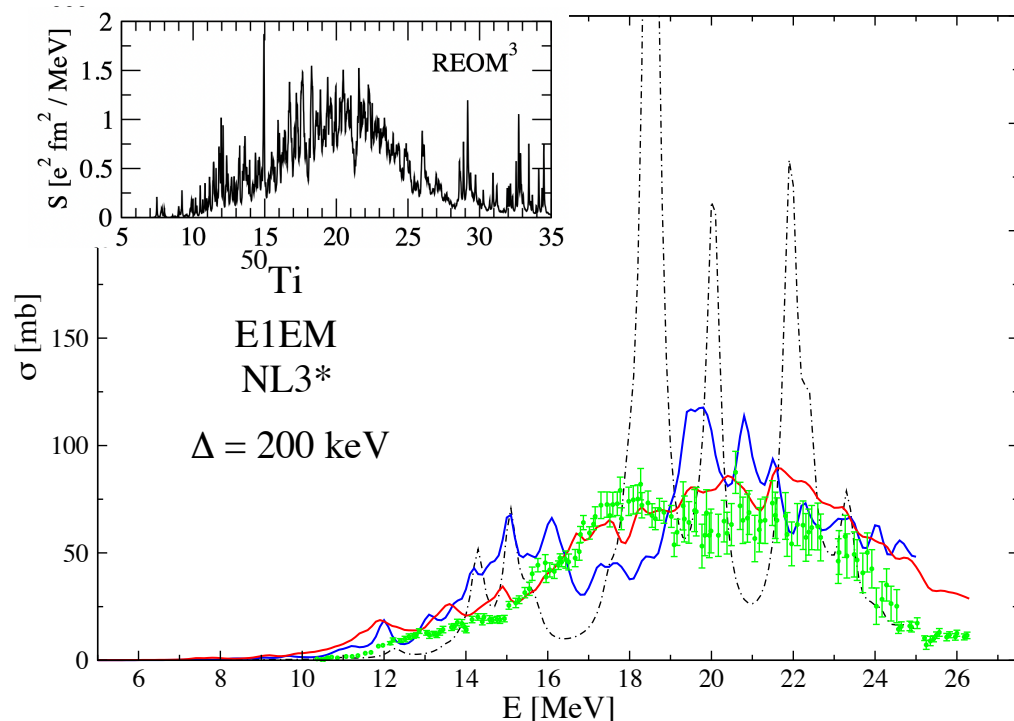
In principle exact spectral expansion

$$R_{12,1'2'}(\omega) = \sum_{\nu>0} \left[\frac{\rho_{21}^{\nu} \bar{\rho}_{2'1'}^{\nu*}}{\omega - \omega_{\nu} + i\delta} - \frac{\bar{\rho}_{12}^{\nu*} \rho_{1'2'}}{\omega + \omega_{\nu} - i\delta} \right]$$

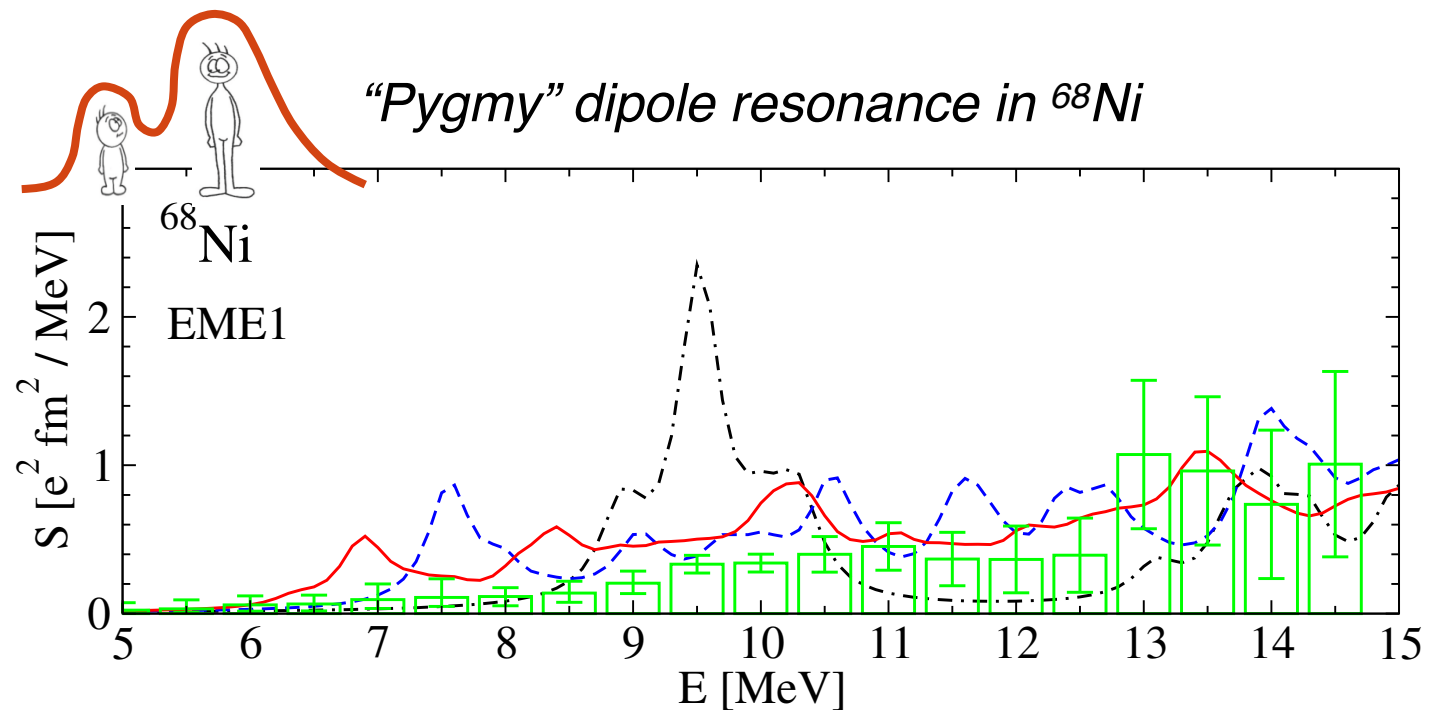
Giant dipole resonance in Ca: overlapping resonances



(Moderately) deformed: ⁵⁰Ti [$\beta_2 \sim 0.17$]:



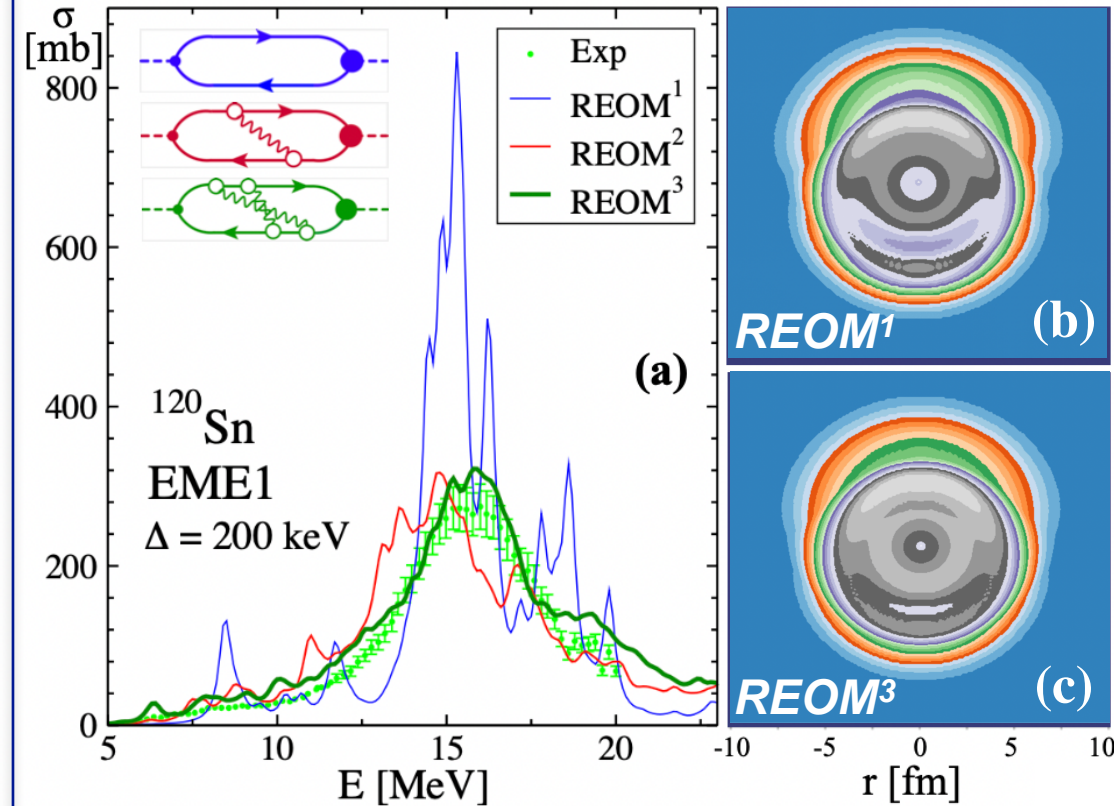
“Pygmy” dipole resonance in ⁶⁸Ni



Data: O. Wieland et al., Phys. Rev. C 98, 064313 (2018)

Resolving long-term nuclear structure puzzles

Giant and soft resonances in heavy nuclei



- **Accurate computation** of nuclear excited states in a wide energy range, including giant resonances, **is pushed to heavy systems**.
- The recently developed *ab initio* relativistic equation of motion method (REOMⁿ) with non-perturbative dynamical kernels enables a **hierarchy of growing-complexity (n) approximations** to the nuclear response organized by the qPVC power counting based on emergent collectivity.
- We demonstrated that this **power counting remains valid in heavy systems and provides a firm uncertainty quantification** of the many-body theory.
- **A significantly improved description is achieved** for the Sn-Sm mass region for giant resonances and soft modes.

J. Novak, M. Hlatshwayo, E.L., arXiv:2405.02255
Exp. Data: S. Bassauer, PRC102, 034327 (2020)

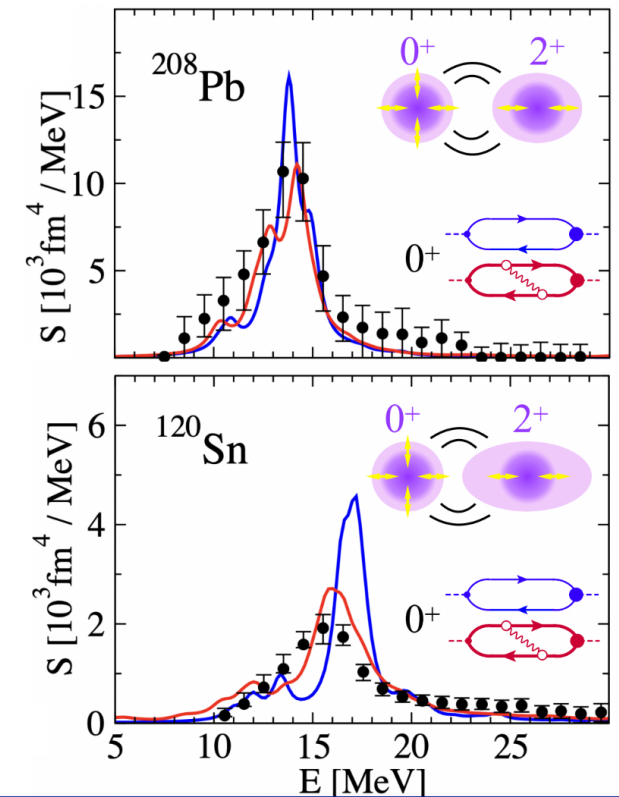
Giant monopole resonance and nuclear compressibility

A **universal description of the monopole response across the nuclear chart is achieved**. It is found that nuclear “softness” increases:

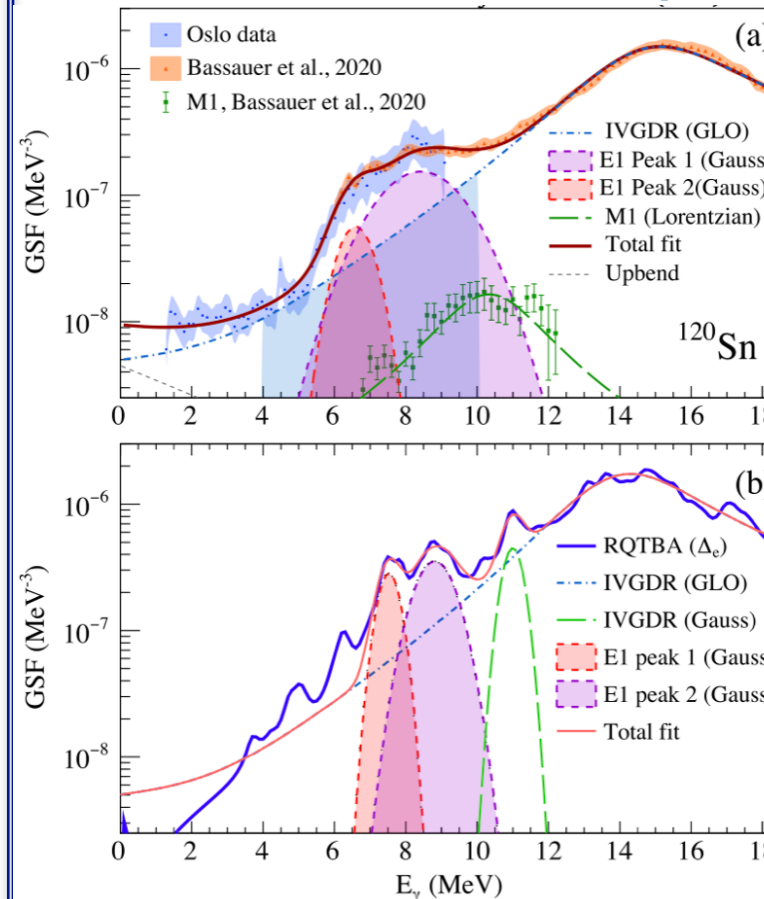
- with the neutron number
- with superfluidity manifested via large quadrupole collectivity
- with correlations beyond QRPA (q)PVC

Stiffer EOS can be used for nuclear matter computation

E. L., PRC 107, L041302 (2023)

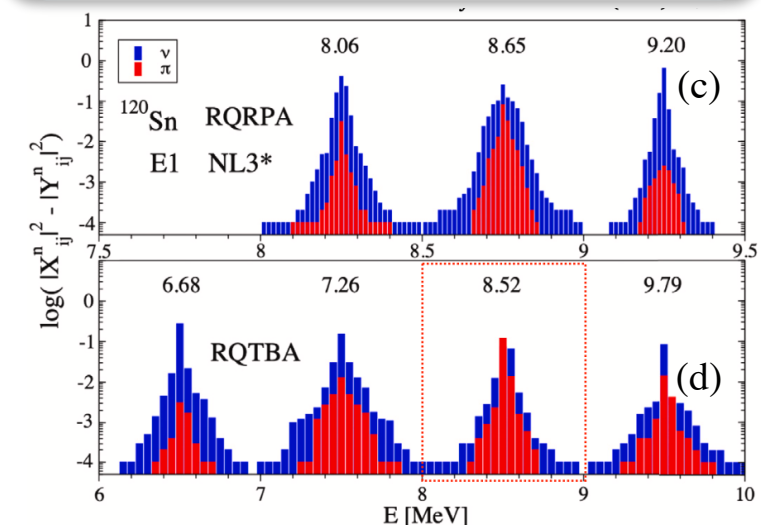


Giant and pygmy dipole resonances in Sn isotopes



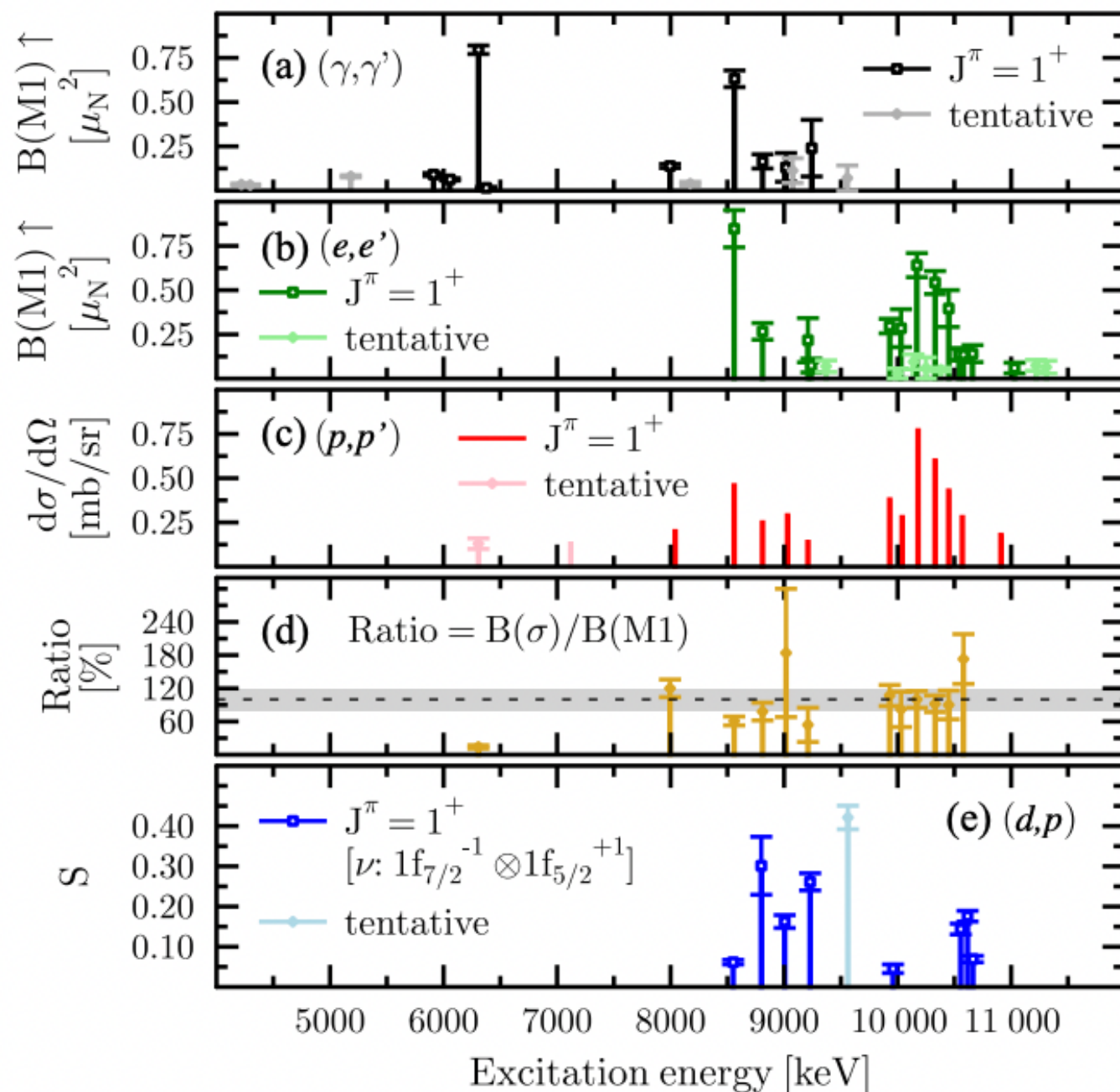
- **qPVC correlations of RQTBA (REOM²) are necessary** to reproduce the two-component structure of the low-energy dipole strength: (a), (b).
- **Only the lower component is associated with the pygmy dipole resonance (PDR) and neutron skin**.
- **PDR is linked to the transitions from (to) the ground state; the upper structure is formed by transitions between excited states: (d) vs (c).**

M. Markova, P. Von Neumann-Cosel, E. Litvinova, Phys. Lett. B860, 139216 (2025)

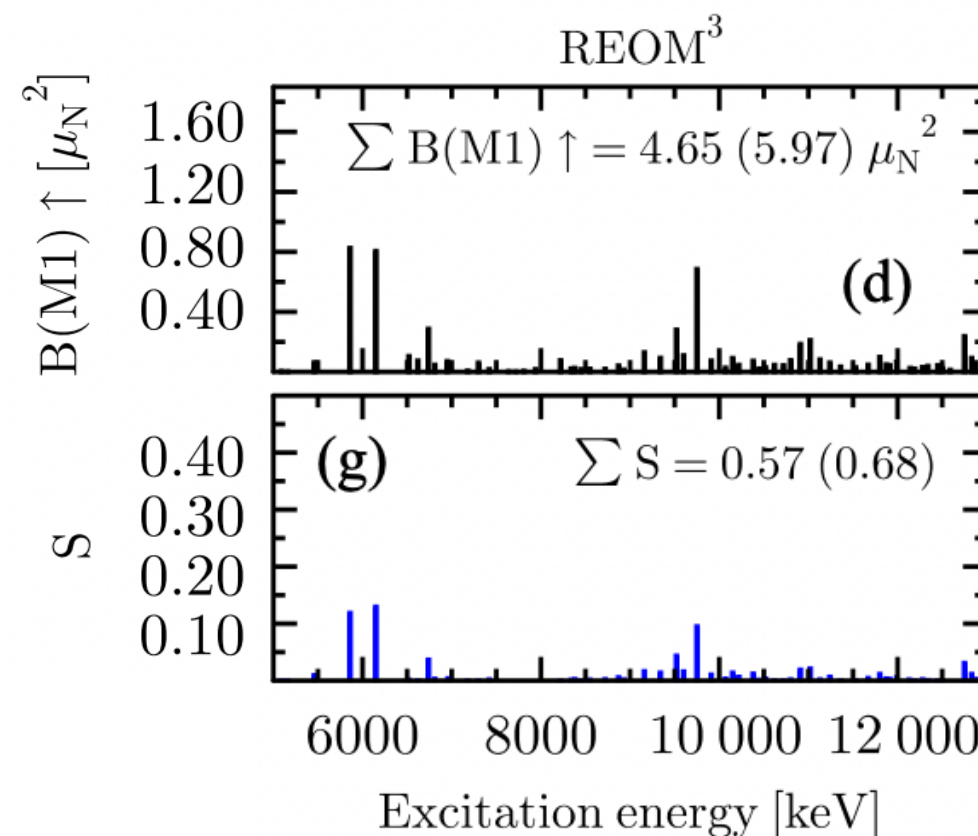
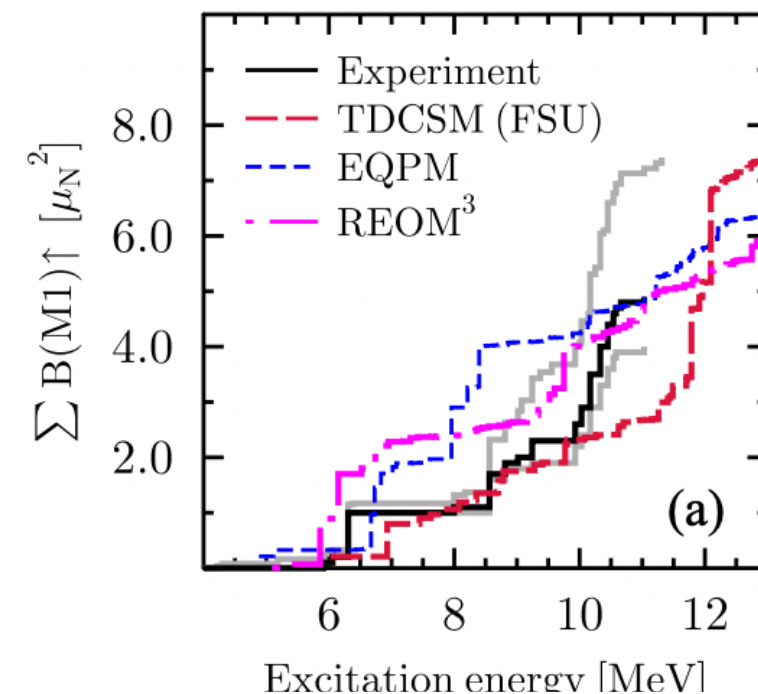


M1 transitions in ^{50}Ti : $^{49}\text{Ti}(d,p)^{50}\text{Ti}$ probe at FSU

Combined M1 data



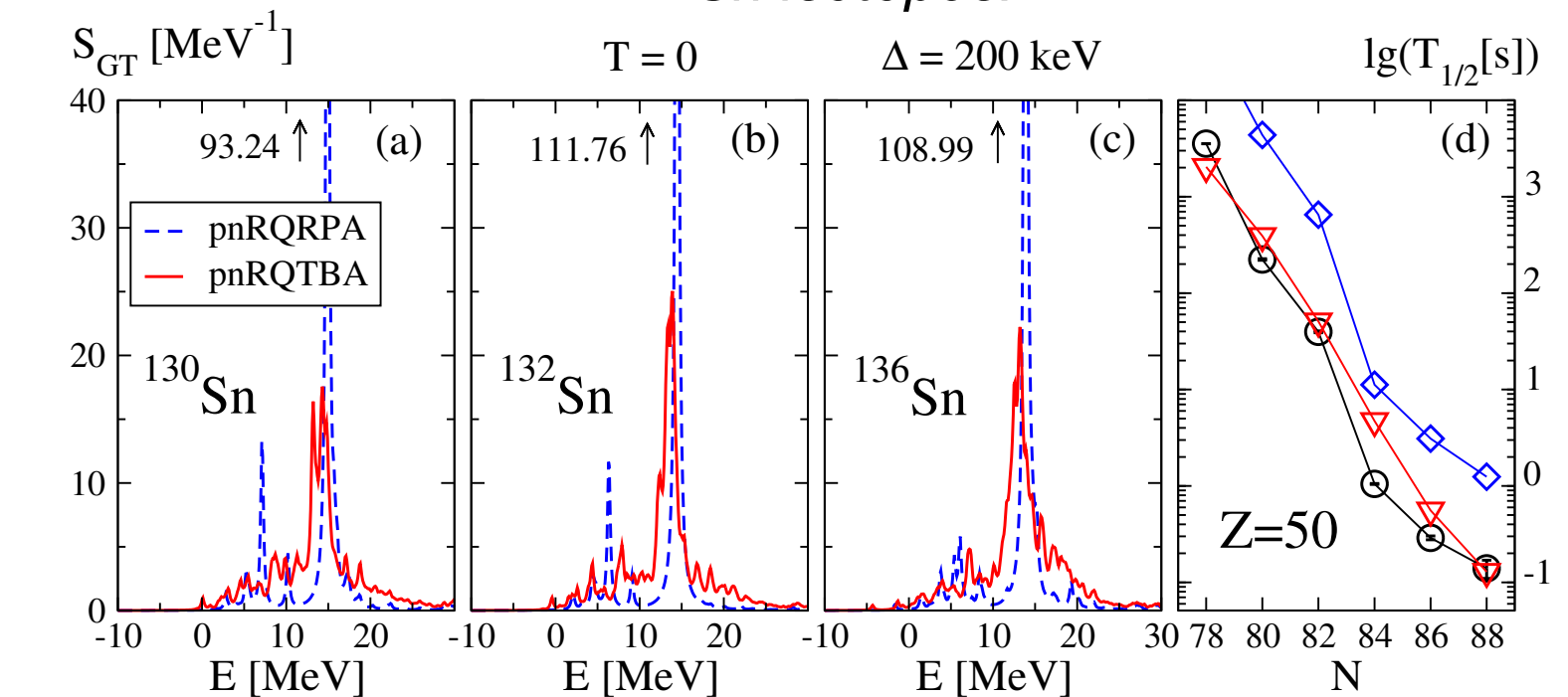
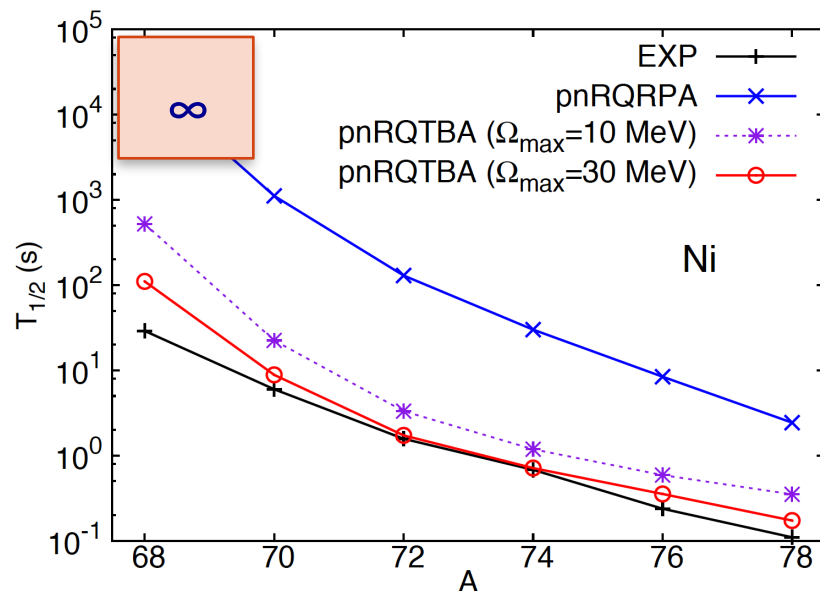
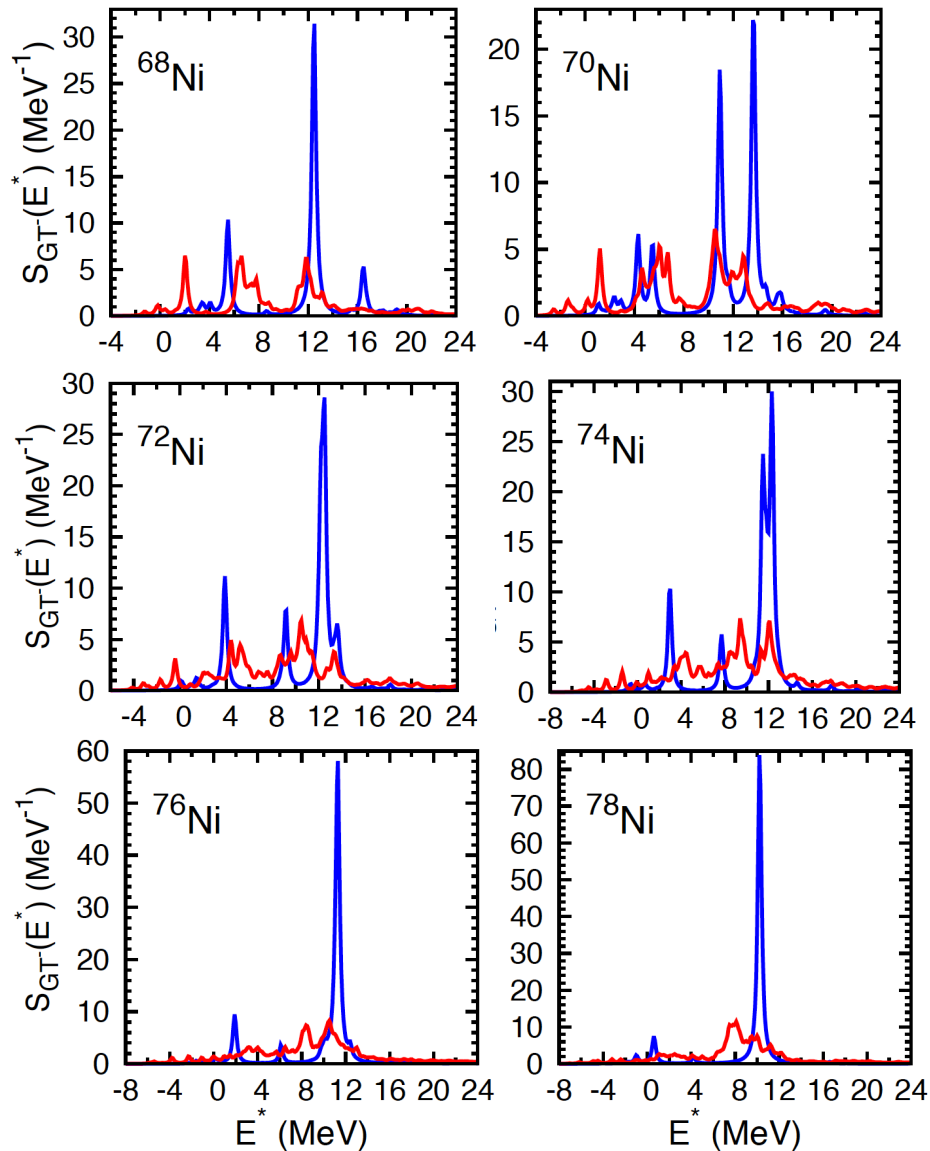
Total $B(M1)$



$^{49}\text{Ti}(d,p)^{50}\text{Ti}$ experiment: that 1^+ states with larger neutron $(1f_{7/2})^{-1}-(1f_{5/2})^{+1}$ spectroscopic factors S do not correspond to the ones with the largest $B(M1)$ strengths. Theory is in tension

REOM²: charge-exchange resonances and beta decays

GTR in ⁶⁸⁻⁷⁸Ni isotopes:



— *pn-RQRPA*
[REOM¹]
— *pn-RQTBA*
[REOM²]

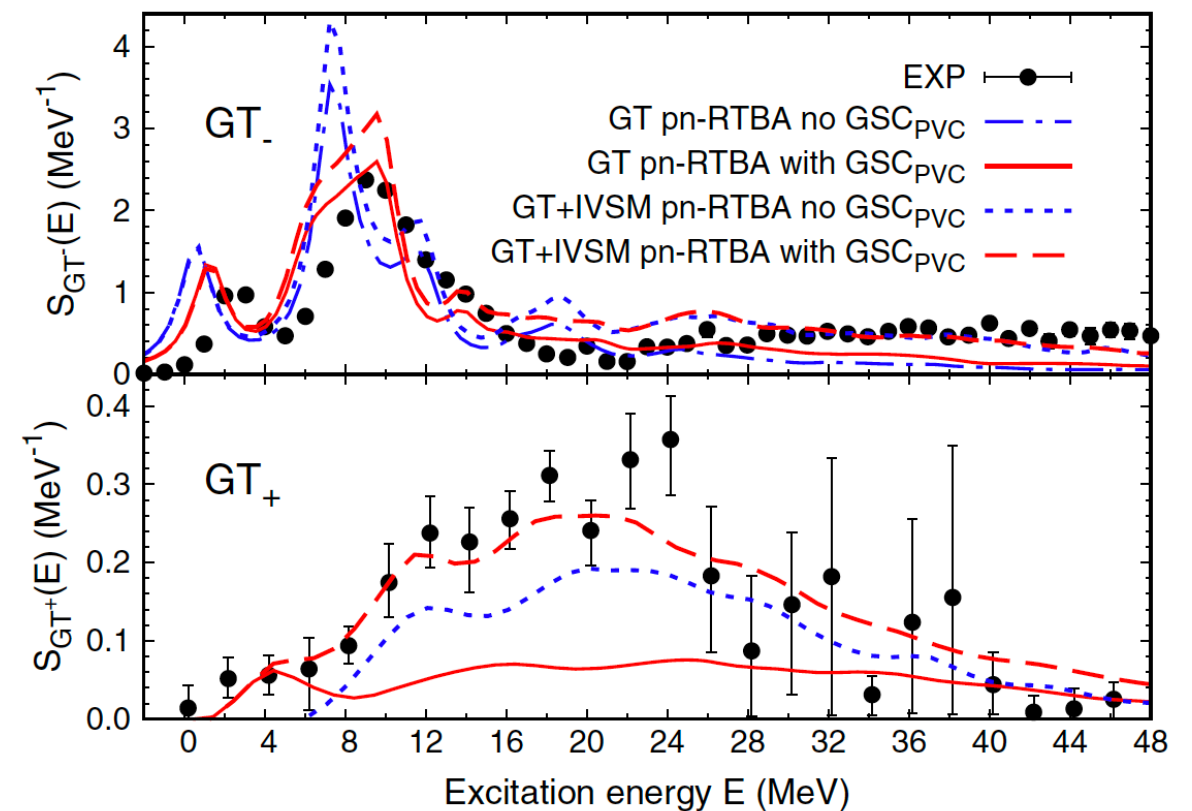
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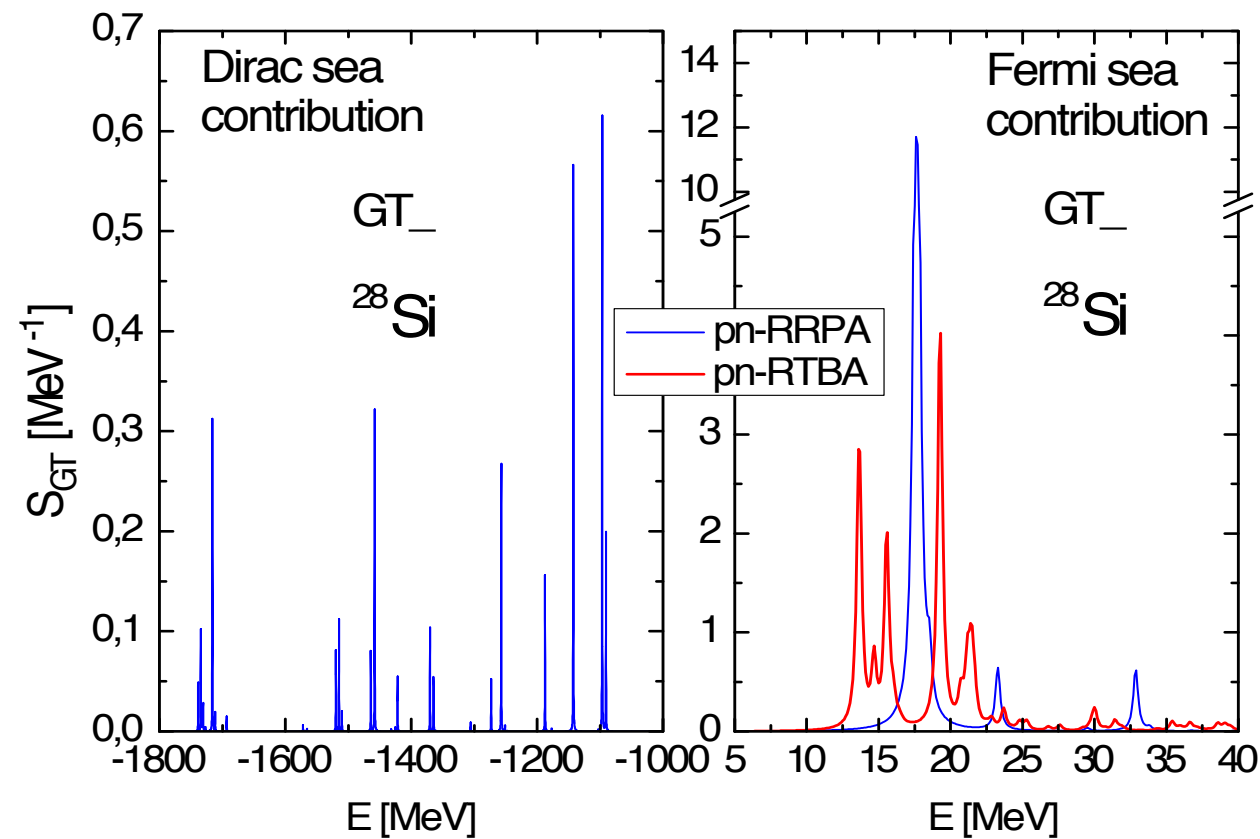
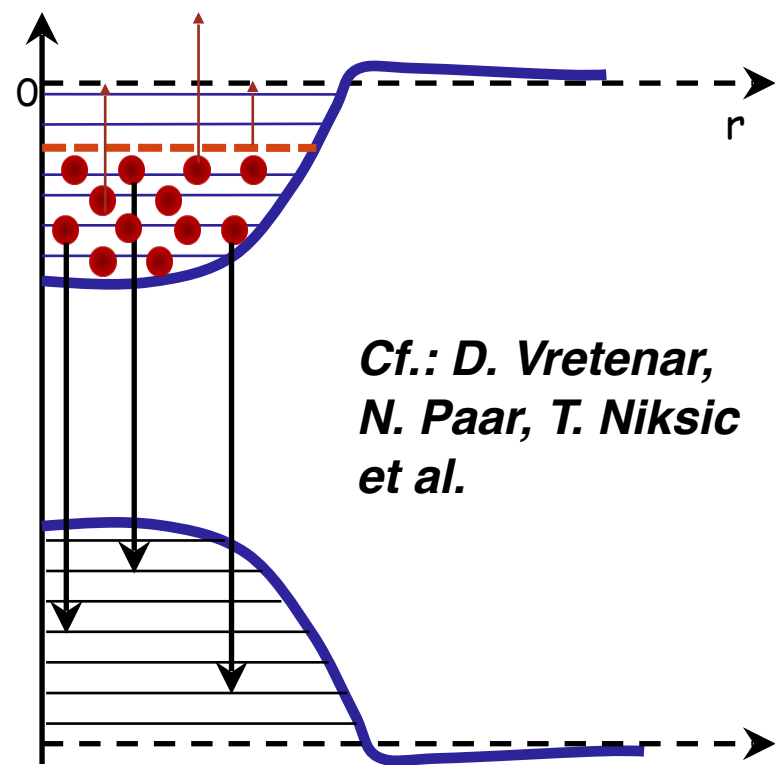
Sn isotopes:

Gamow-Teller +IVSM strength in ⁹⁰Zr:

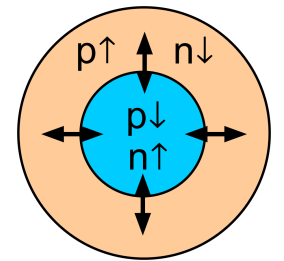


*No fits, no artificial quenching,
no adjustable proton-neutron pairing*

The Gamow-Teller resonance quenching puzzle: ^{28}Si



$$P = \sum_i \sigma^{(i)} \tau_{\pm}^{(i)}$$



$$\Delta L = 0$$

$$\Delta T = 1$$

$$\Delta S = 1$$

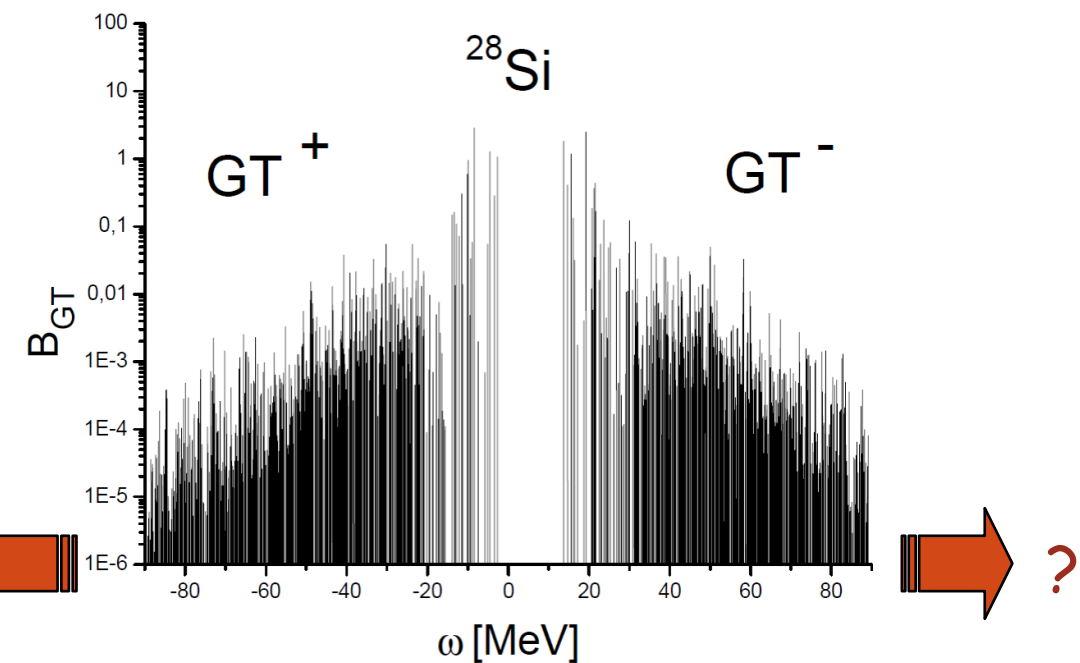
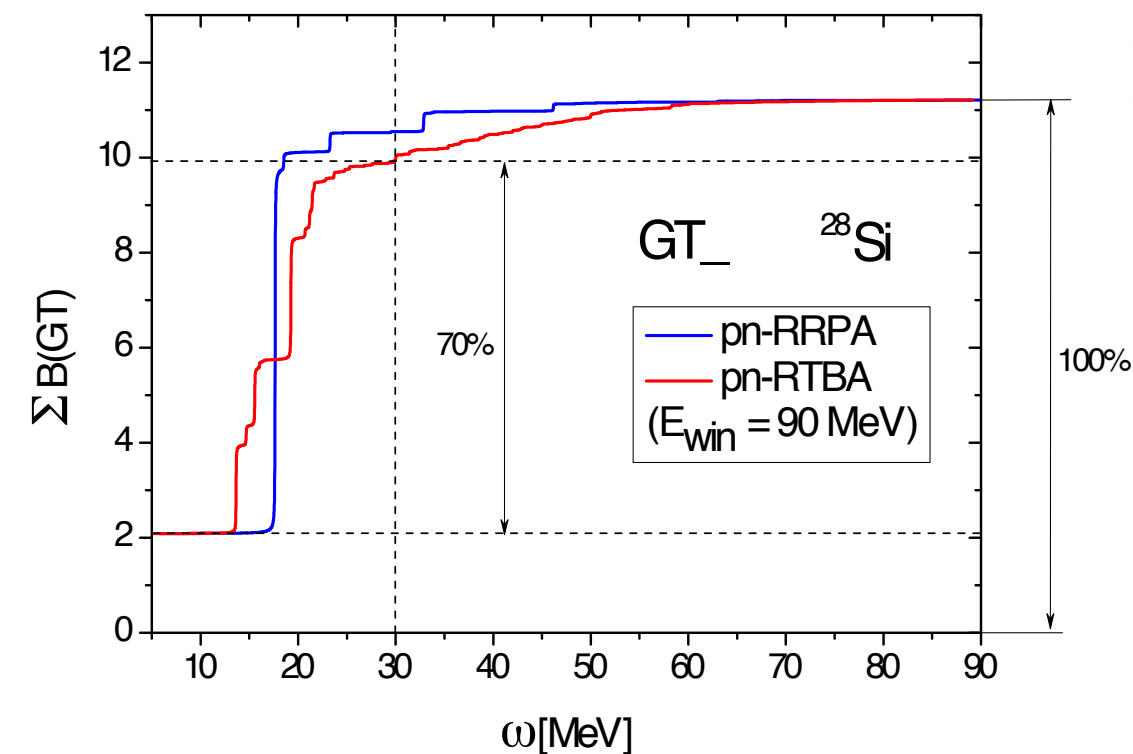
„Microscopic“ quenching of $B(\text{GT})$:

- (i) relativistic effects,
- (ii) ph +phonon and higher configurations
- (iii) $2b$ currents (?) tbd

Cf.: H. Sagawa, Y. Niu, D. Gambacurta

Ikeda Sum rule (model independent):

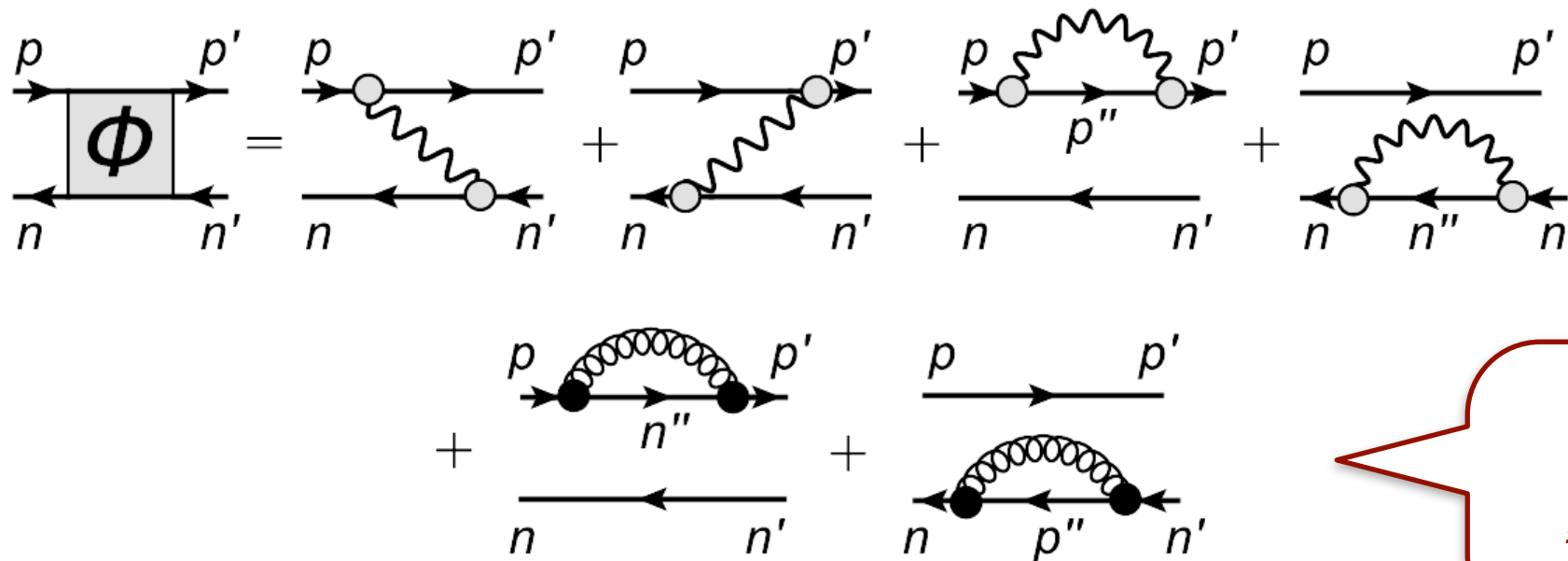
$$S_- - S_+ = 3(N - Z),$$



Problem: finite basis

More on quenching: Coupling to charge-exchange (CE) phonons

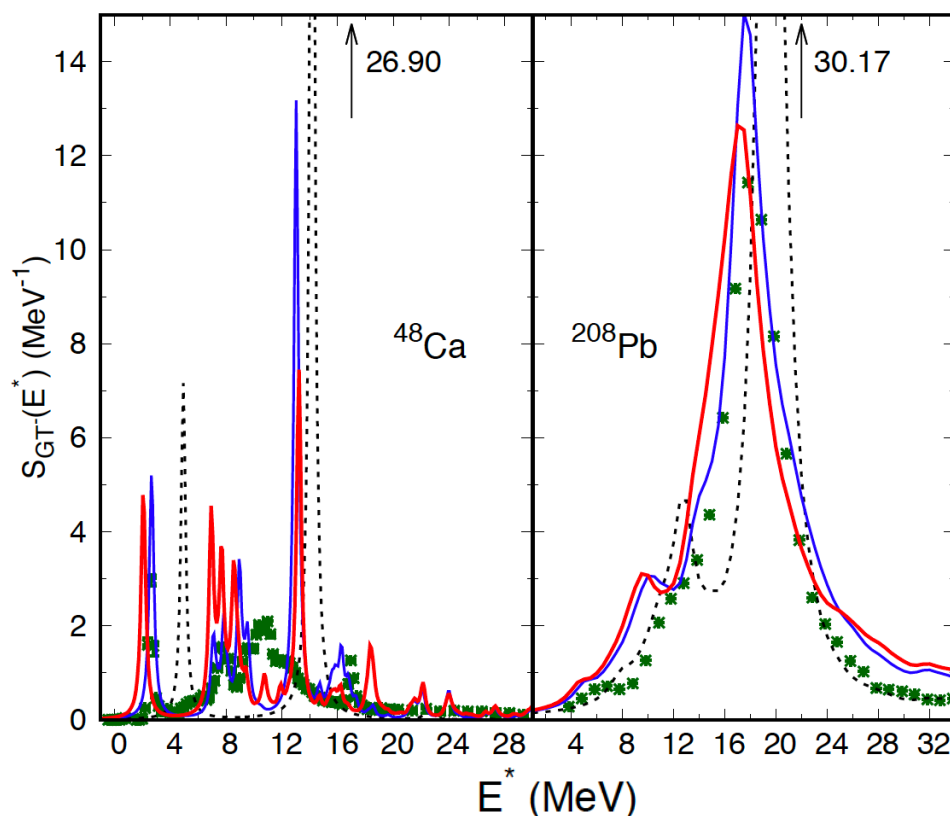
The role of coupling to charge-exchange (CE) vibrations



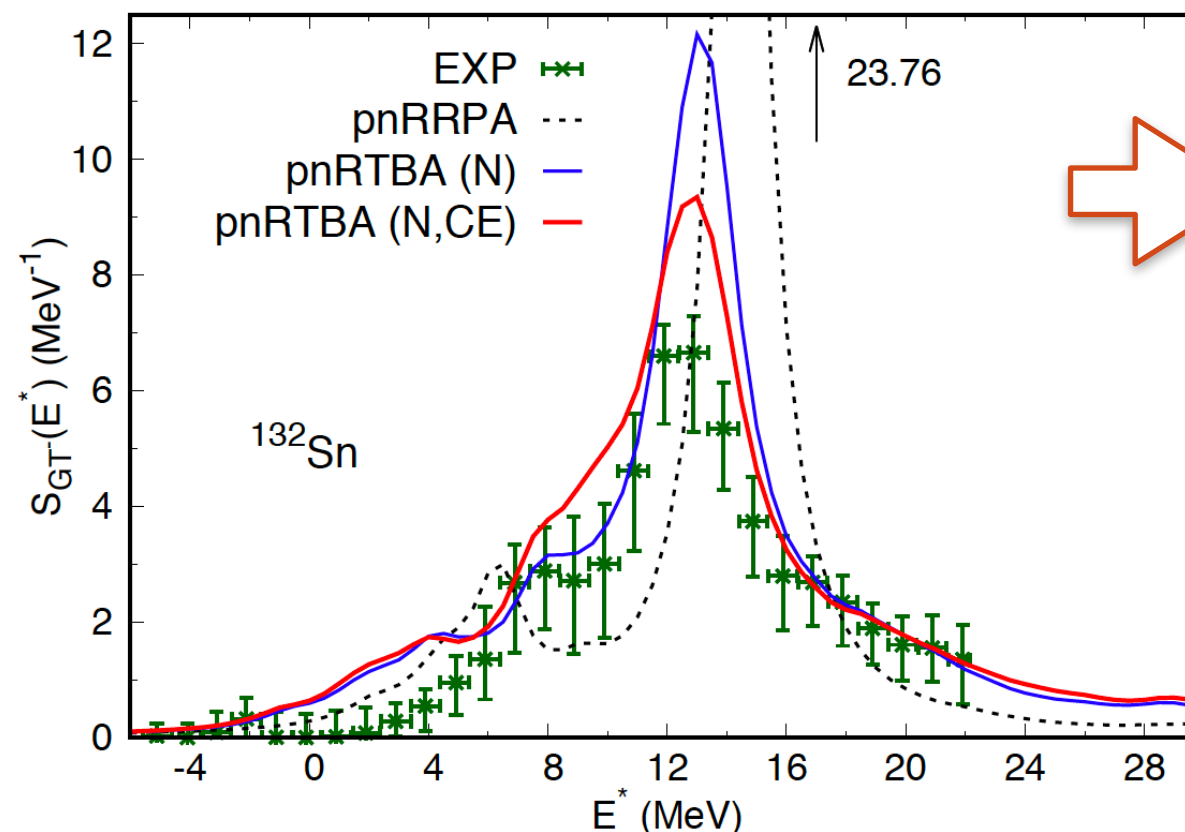
Neutral phonons:
Both phonon-exchange
and self-energy
contributions

Charge-exchange phonons:
no phonon-exchange counterparts
 $\Rightarrow$ larger than expected contribution!

Gamow-Teller response



C. Robin, E.L. PRC 98, 051301(R) (2018)



3p3h-
configurations
are needed
for a consistent
description
without applying
quenching
factors
(in progress)

Data: J. Yasuda et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 121, 132501 (2018)

Exotic modes: the Isovector Giant Monopole Resonance

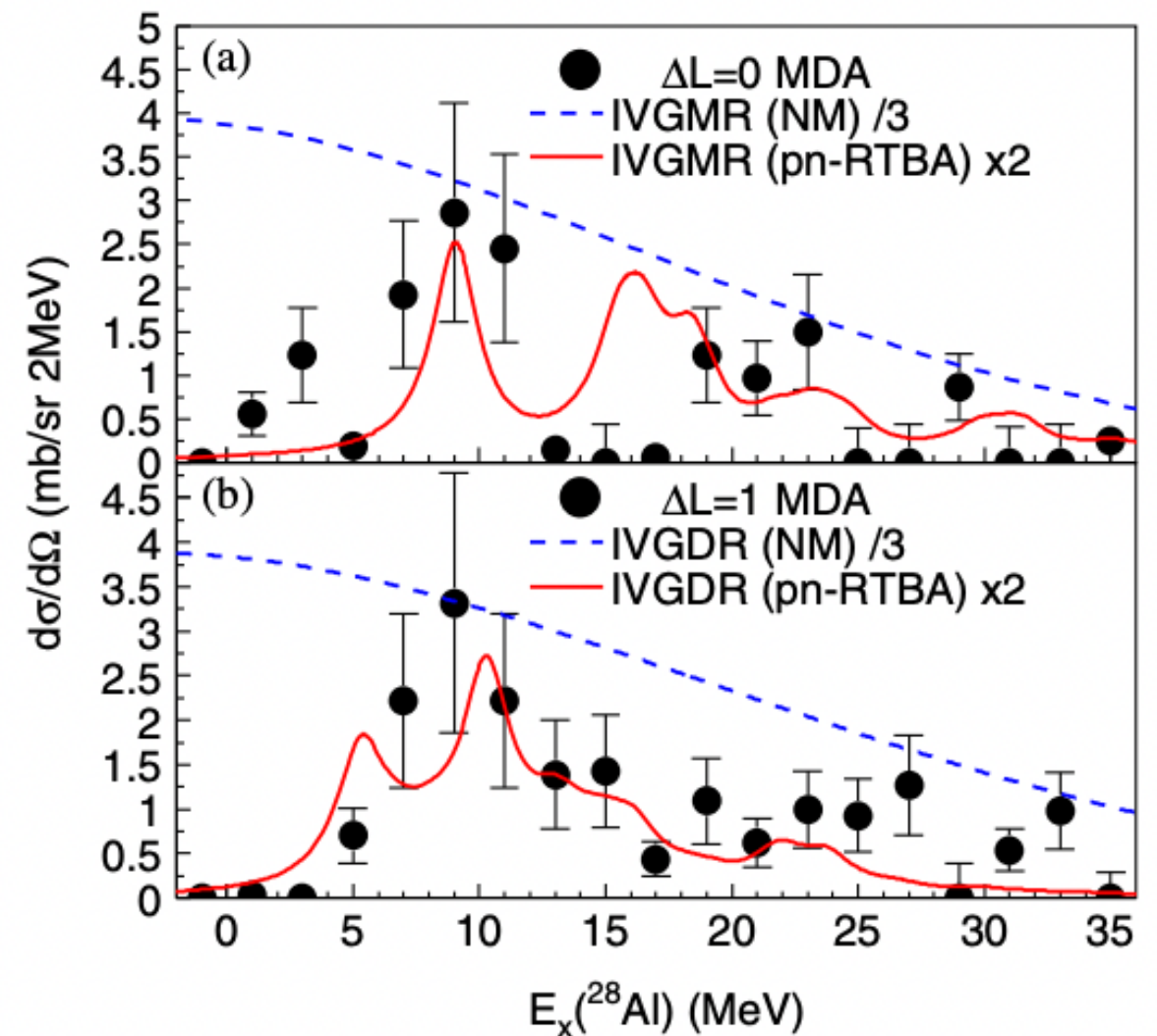
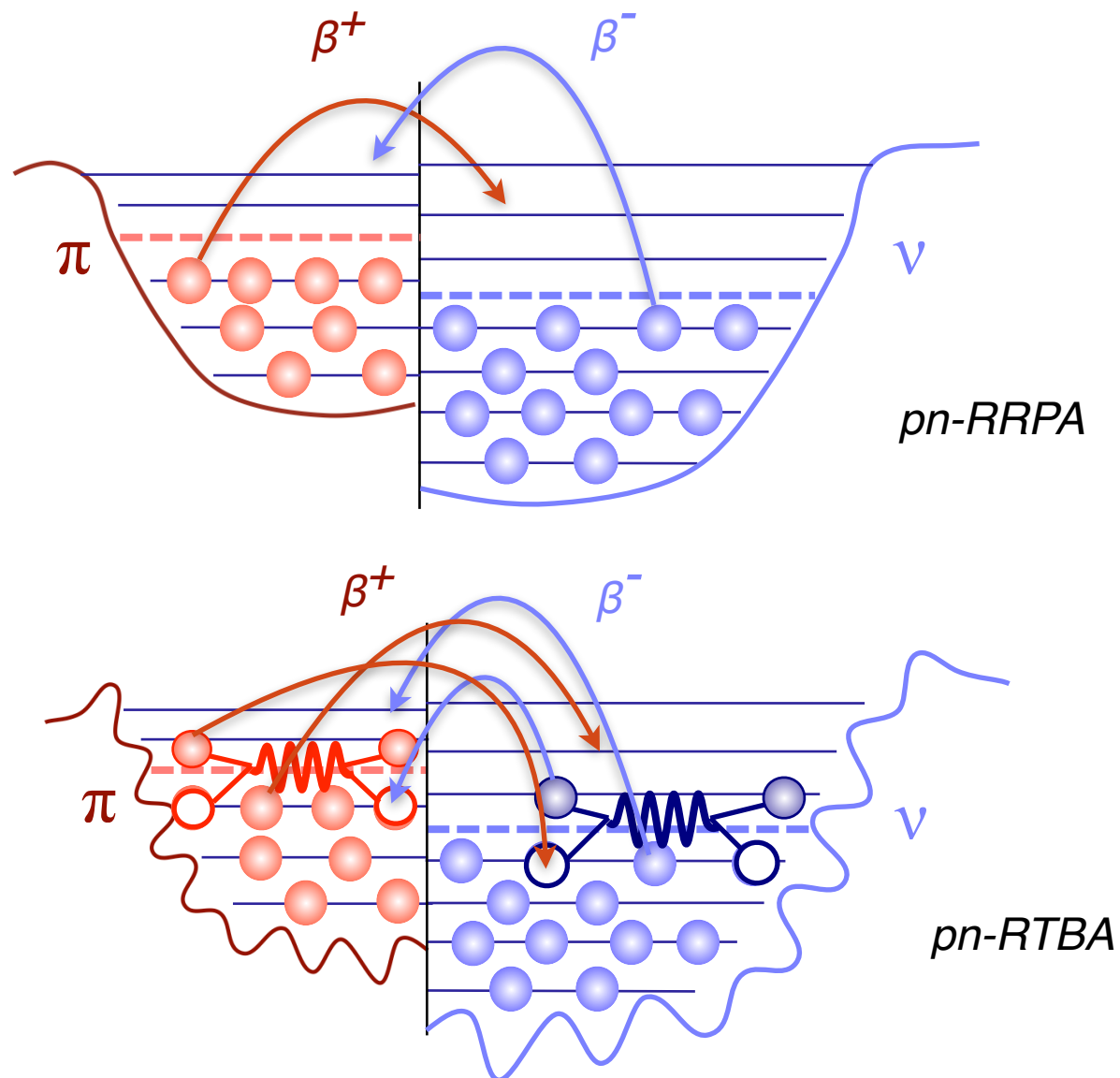
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Observation of the Isovector Giant Monopole Resonance via the $^{28}\text{Si}(^{10}\text{Be}, ^{10}\text{B}^*[1.74 \text{ MeV}])$ Reaction at 100 AMeV

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A path to axially deformed systems: transformation to quasiparticle basis + FAM

Bogolyubov
transformation:

$$\psi_1 = \sum_{\nu} (U_{1\nu} \alpha_{\nu} + V_{1\nu}^* \alpha_{\nu}^{\dagger}), \quad \psi_1^{\dagger} = \sum_{\nu} (V_{1\nu} \alpha_{\nu} + U_{1\nu}^* \alpha_{\nu}^{\dagger})$$

$$G_{\nu\nu'}^{(+)}(\varepsilon) = \sum_{12} \begin{pmatrix} U_{\nu 1}^{\dagger} & V_{\nu 1}^{\dagger} \end{pmatrix} \hat{G}_{12}(\varepsilon) \begin{pmatrix} U_{2\nu'} \\ V_{2\nu'} \end{pmatrix}$$

Propagator becomes diagonal

$$G_{\nu\nu'}^{(-)}(\varepsilon) = \sum_{12} \begin{pmatrix} V_{\nu 1}^T & U_{\nu 1}^T \end{pmatrix} \hat{G}_{12}(\varepsilon) \begin{pmatrix} V_{2\nu'}^* \\ U_{2\nu'}^* \end{pmatrix}$$

Dyson Eqs. decouple
for $\eta=1$ and $\eta=-1$:
Eq. for $\eta=-1$ is redundant

$$G_{\nu\nu'}^{(\eta)}(\varepsilon) = \tilde{G}_{\nu\nu'}^{(\eta)}(\varepsilon) + \sum_{\mu\mu'} \tilde{G}_{\nu\mu}^{(\eta)}(\varepsilon) \Sigma_{\mu\mu'}^{r(\eta)}(\varepsilon) G_{\mu'\nu'}^{(\eta)}(\varepsilon)$$

$$\Sigma_{\nu\nu'}^{r(+)}(\varepsilon) = \sum_{\nu''\mu} \left[\frac{\Gamma_{\nu\nu''}^{(11)\mu} \Gamma_{\nu'\nu''}^{(11)\mu*}}{\varepsilon - E_{\nu''} - \omega_{\mu} + i\delta} + \frac{\Gamma_{\nu\nu''}^{(02)\mu*} \Gamma_{\nu'\nu''}^{(02)\mu}}{\varepsilon + E_{\nu''} + \omega_{\mu} - i\delta} \right] \longleftrightarrow \text{Diagram}$$

*Dynamical self-energy: acquires the
same form as the non-superfluid one!*

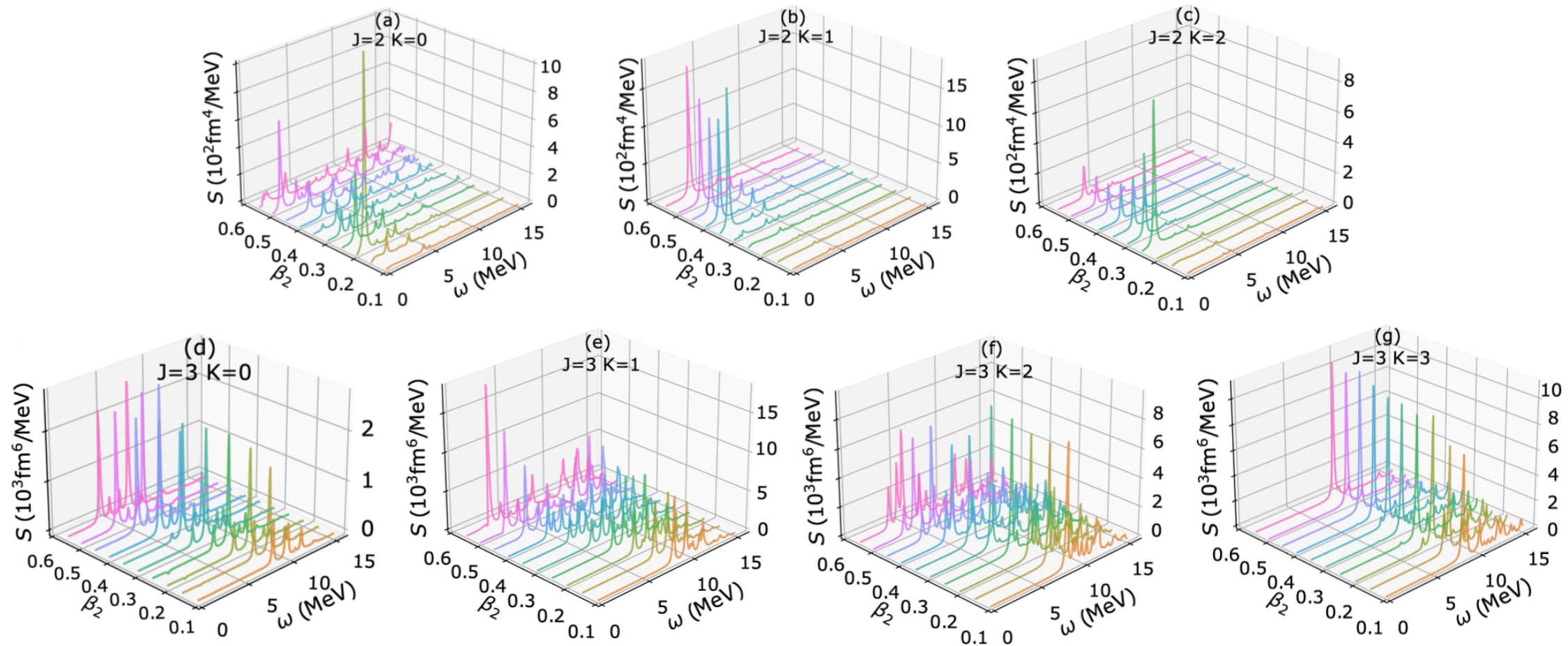
Superfluid
quasiparticle-vibration
coupling (QVC) vertices:

$$\Gamma_{\nu\nu'}^{(11)\mu} = \sum_{12} \left[U_{\nu 1}^{\dagger} g_{12}^{\mu} U_{2\nu'} + U_{\nu 1}^{\dagger} \gamma_{12}^{\mu(+)} V_{2\nu'} - V_{\nu 1}^{\dagger} (g_{12}^{\mu})^T V_{2\nu'} - V_{\nu 1}^{\dagger} (\gamma_{12}^{\mu(-)})^T U_{2\nu'} \right]$$

$$\Gamma_{\nu\nu'}^{(02)\mu} = - \sum_{12} \left[V_{\nu 1}^T g_{12}^{\mu} U_{2\nu'} + V_{\nu 1}^T \gamma_{12}^{\mu(+)} V_{2\nu'} - U_{\nu 1}^T (g_{12}^{\mu})^T V_{2\nu'} - U_{\nu 1}^T (\gamma_{12}^{\mu(-)})^T U_{2\nu'} \right]$$

The phonon spectrum in ^{38}Si and QVC

(i) Relativistic meson-nucleon Lagrangian + (ii) Relativistic Hartree-Bogoliubov (RHB) + (iii) Quasiparticle random phase approximation (QRPA): $J = 2^+ - 5^-, K = [0, J]$. Finite amplitude method (FAM): A. Bjelčić et al., CPC 253, 107184 (2020). Relativistic DD-PC1 interaction.



(iv) QVC vertex extraction:

Alt: contour integration; see talk by T. Nikšić

$$\Gamma_{\nu\nu'}^{(ij)\pi} = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \sqrt{\frac{\delta}{\pi S(\omega_\pi)}} \text{Im} \left(\delta \mathcal{H}_{\nu\nu'}^{(ij)}(\omega_\pi + i\delta) \right)$$

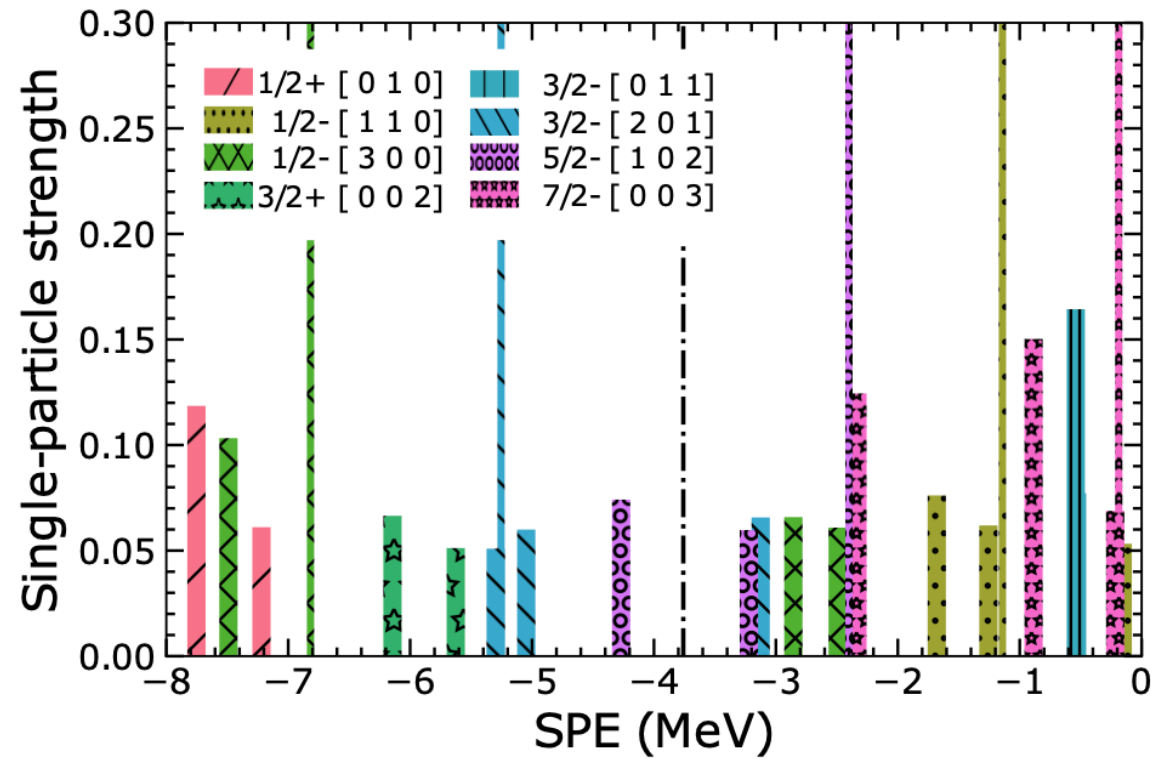
Variation of the HFB Hamiltonian at the QRPA pole

(v) Dyson Eq. solution

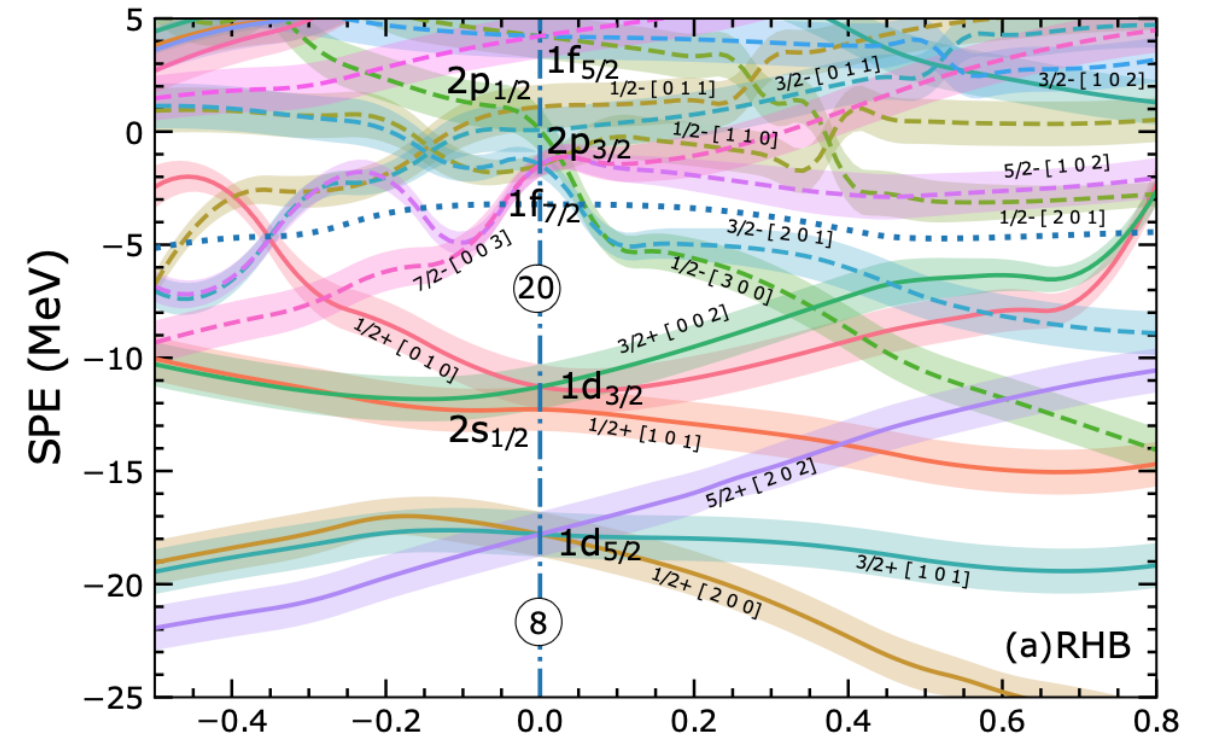
[E.L., Y. Zhang, PRC 104, 044303 (2021)]

Single-(quasi)particle states in ^{38}Si

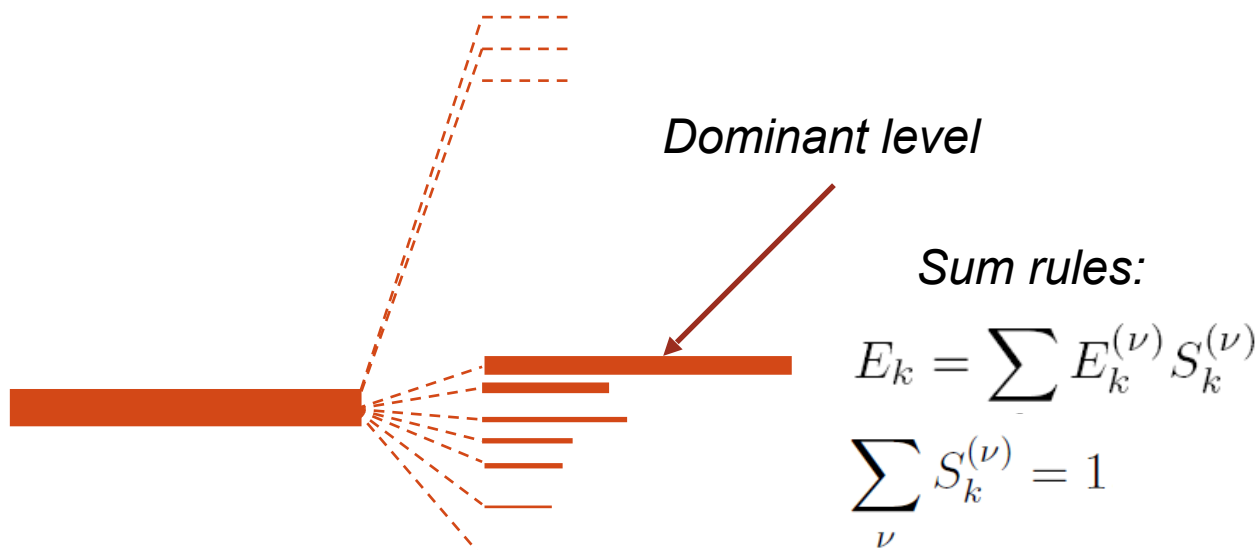
Fragmentation of quasiparticle states:
RHB vs RHB+QVC



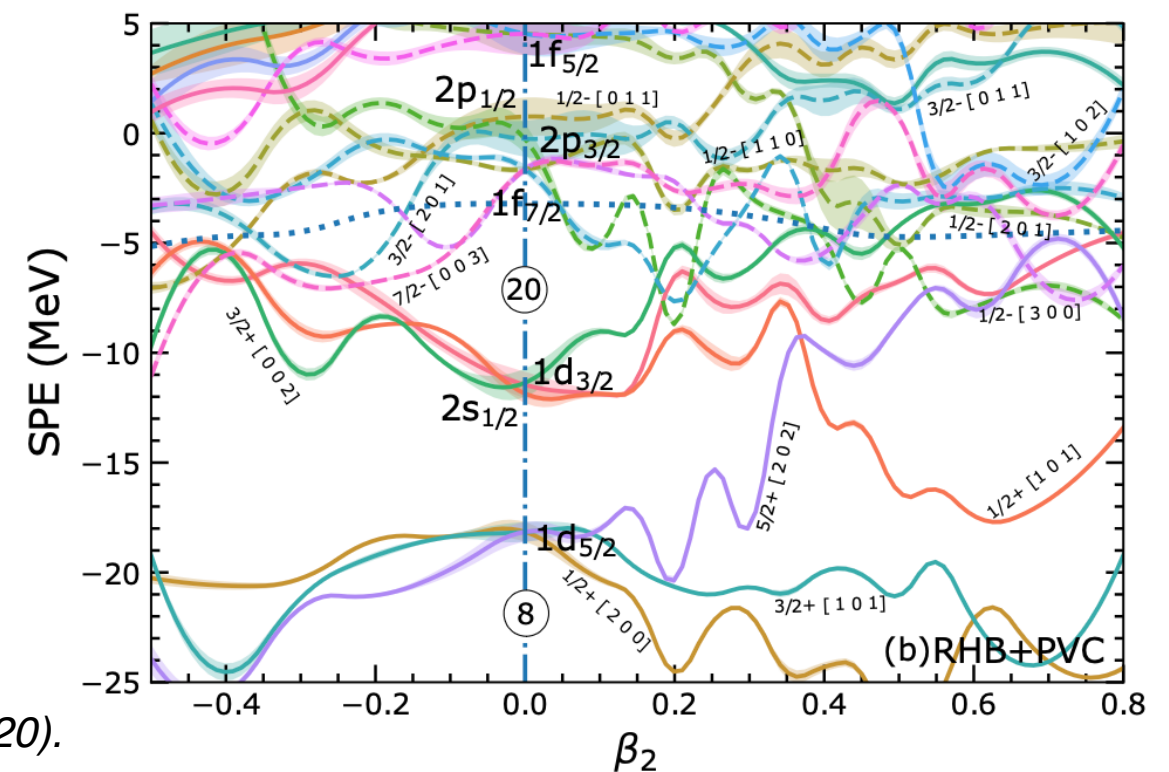
Nilsson diagram: RHB



Fragmentation mechanism: schematic



Nilsson diagram: RHB+QVC (dominant only)



Finite amplitude method extended beyond QRPA (frozen):

Generalized FAM (FAM-QVC)

$$\delta\mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu}^{(20)}(\omega) = \frac{\delta\mathcal{H}_{\mu\nu}^{20}(\omega) + \sum_{\mu'\nu'} \Phi_{\mu\nu'\nu\mu'}^{(+)}(\omega) \delta\mathcal{R}_{\mu'\nu'}^{(20)}(\omega) + F_{\mu\nu}^{20}}{\omega - E_{\mu} - E_{\nu}}$$

$$\delta\mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu}^{(02)}(\omega) = \frac{\delta\mathcal{H}_{\mu\nu}^{02}(\omega) + \sum_{\mu'\nu'} \Phi_{\mu\nu'\nu\mu'}^{(-)}(\omega) \delta\mathcal{R}_{\mu'\nu'}^{(02)}(\omega) + F_{\mu\nu}^{02}}{-\omega - E_{\mu} - E_{\nu}}.$$

QVC

QVC amplitude
(leading approximation):

$$\Phi_{\mu\nu'\nu\mu'}^{(+)}(\omega) = \sum_n \left[\delta_{\mu\mu'} \sum_{\nu''} \frac{\bar{\Gamma}_{\nu''\nu}^{(11)n} \bar{\Gamma}_{\nu''\nu'}^{(11)n*}}{\omega - E_{\mu} - E_{\nu''} - \omega_n} + \delta_{\nu\nu'} \sum_{\mu''} \frac{\Gamma_{\mu\mu''}^{(11)n} \Gamma_{\mu'\mu''}^{(11)n*}}{\omega - E_{\mu''} - E_{\nu} - \omega_n} - \frac{\Gamma_{\mu\mu'}^{(11)n} \bar{\Gamma}_{\nu\nu'}^{(11)n*}}{\omega - E_{\mu'} - E_{\nu} - \omega_n} - \frac{\Gamma_{\mu'\mu}^{(11)n*} \bar{\Gamma}_{\nu'\nu}^{(11)n}}{\omega - E_{\mu} - E_{\nu'} - \omega_n} \right];$$

E.L., Y. Zhang, PRC (2022) [formalism]

Proof of principle:
GMR in ^{24}Mg
in a restricted model space

Ongoing:

- Convergence improvement
- Optimization
- Cross-check routines

