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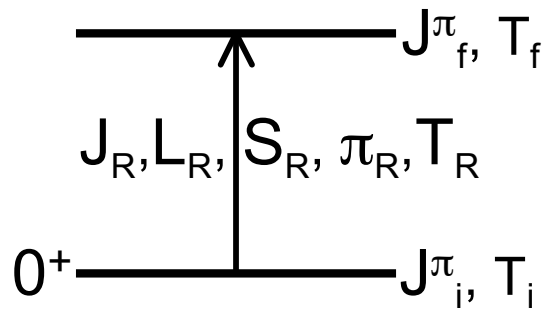
1) Properties and interest of giant resonances

2) How to describe GR ?

3) GR in exotic nuclei: status

1) Properties of giant resonances (L,S,T)

Quantum numbers



$$\vec{J}_f = \vec{J}_i + \vec{J}_R \quad \vec{T}_f = \vec{T}_i + \vec{T}_R$$

$$\vec{J}_R = \vec{L}_R + \vec{S}_R$$

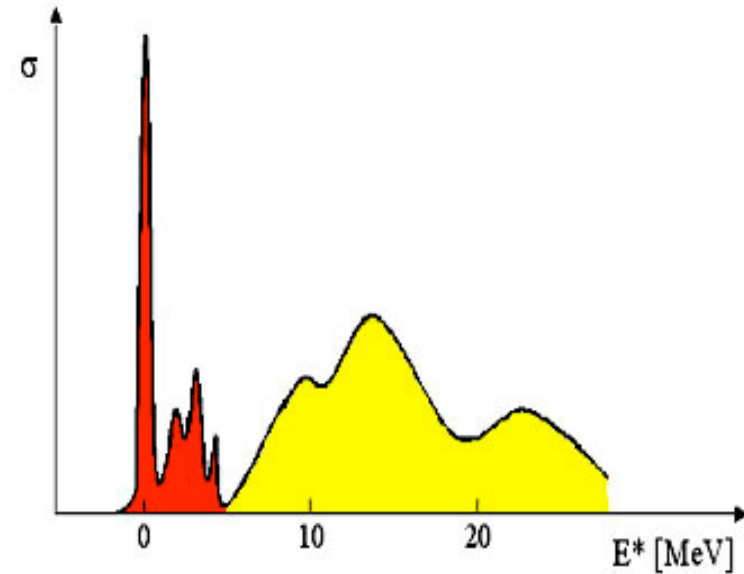
$$\Pi_f = \Pi_i \cdot (-1)^{L_R}$$

If the nucleus is even even, $J_i^\pi = 0^+$

$$\vec{J}_f = \vec{L}_R + \vec{S}_R$$

$$\Pi_f = (-1)^{L_R}$$

→ The GR is characterised by L_R, S_R and T_R



$$L_R=2, S_R=0, T_R=0$$

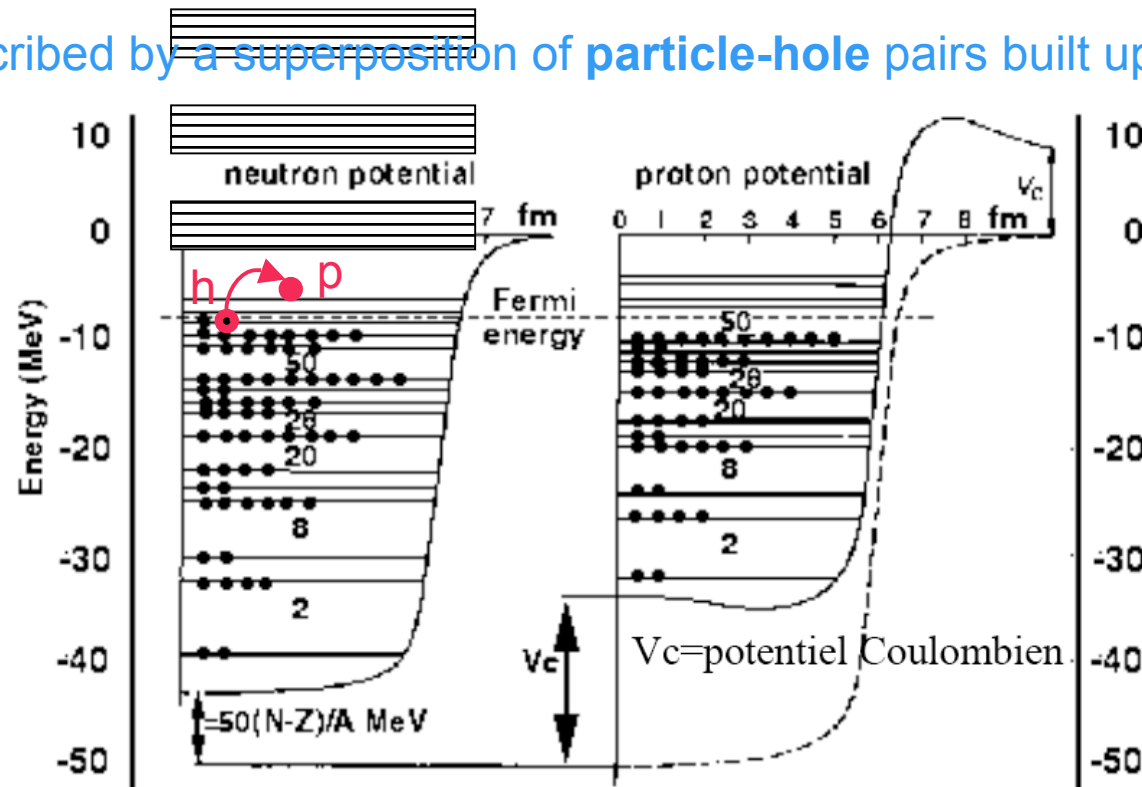
Isoscalar quadrupole response

Microscopic description of GR

GR = large σ and collective nuclear excitation located at high energy (>10 MeV)

→ described by a superposition of **particle-hole** pairs built upon the mean-field spectrum

$3\hbar\omega$
 $2\hbar\omega$
 $1\hbar\omega$
 $0\hbar\omega$



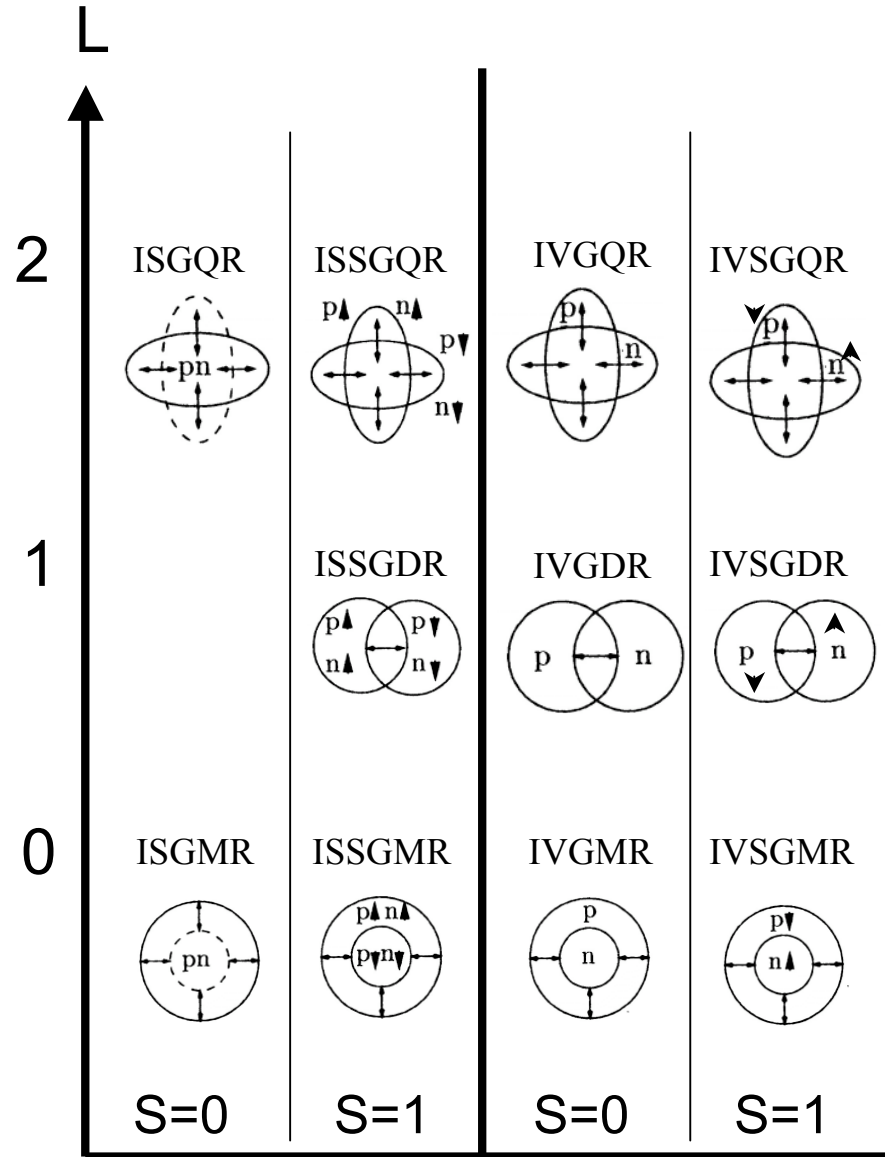
$$\vec{s}_p = \frac{\vec{1}}{2} \quad \vec{s}_h = \frac{\vec{1}}{2}$$

$$\vec{t}_h = \frac{\vec{1}}{2} \quad \vec{t}_p = \frac{\vec{1}}{2}$$

$$\vec{S}_R = \vec{s}_p + \vec{s}_h = \vec{0} \text{ or } \vec{1}$$

$$\vec{T}_R = \vec{t}_p + \vec{t}_h = \vec{0} \text{ or } \vec{1}$$

Macroscopic picture of GR

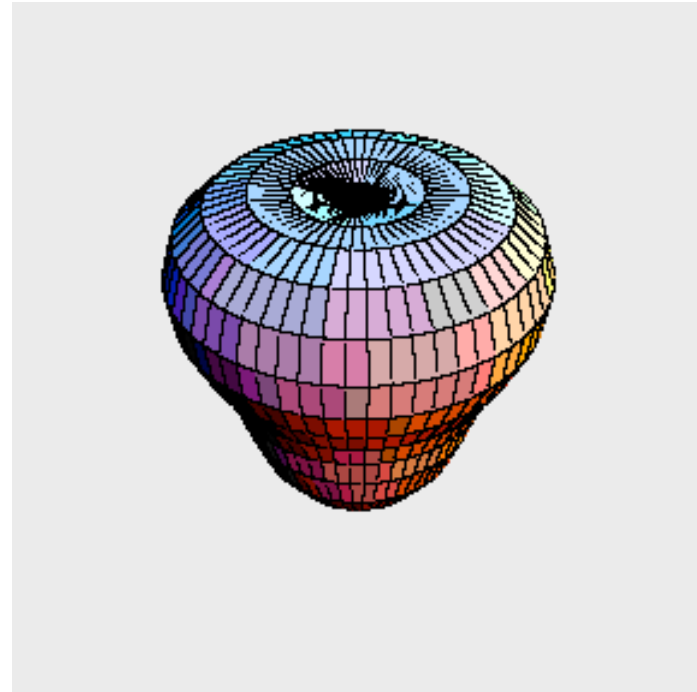
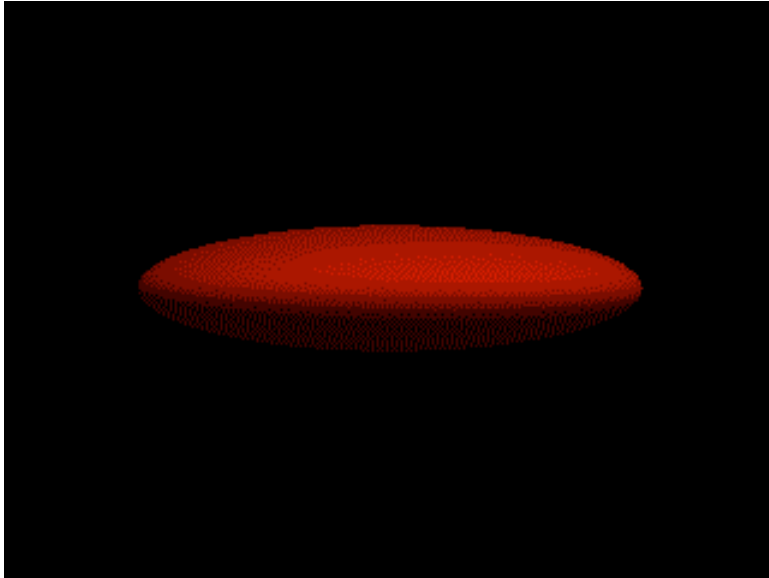


$$Q_{LM} = \sum_{i=1}^A r_i^L Y_{LM}(\hat{r}_i)$$

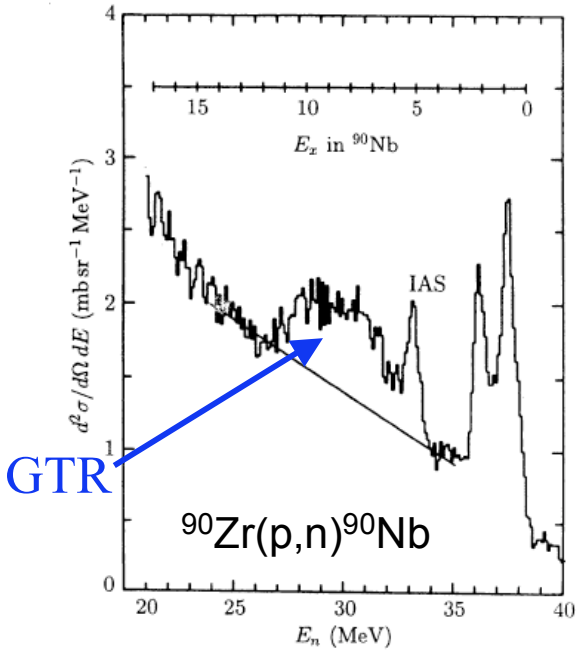
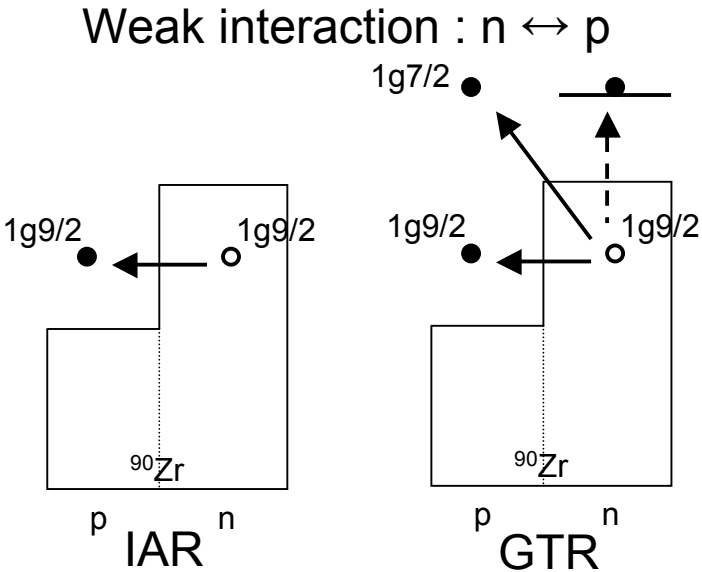
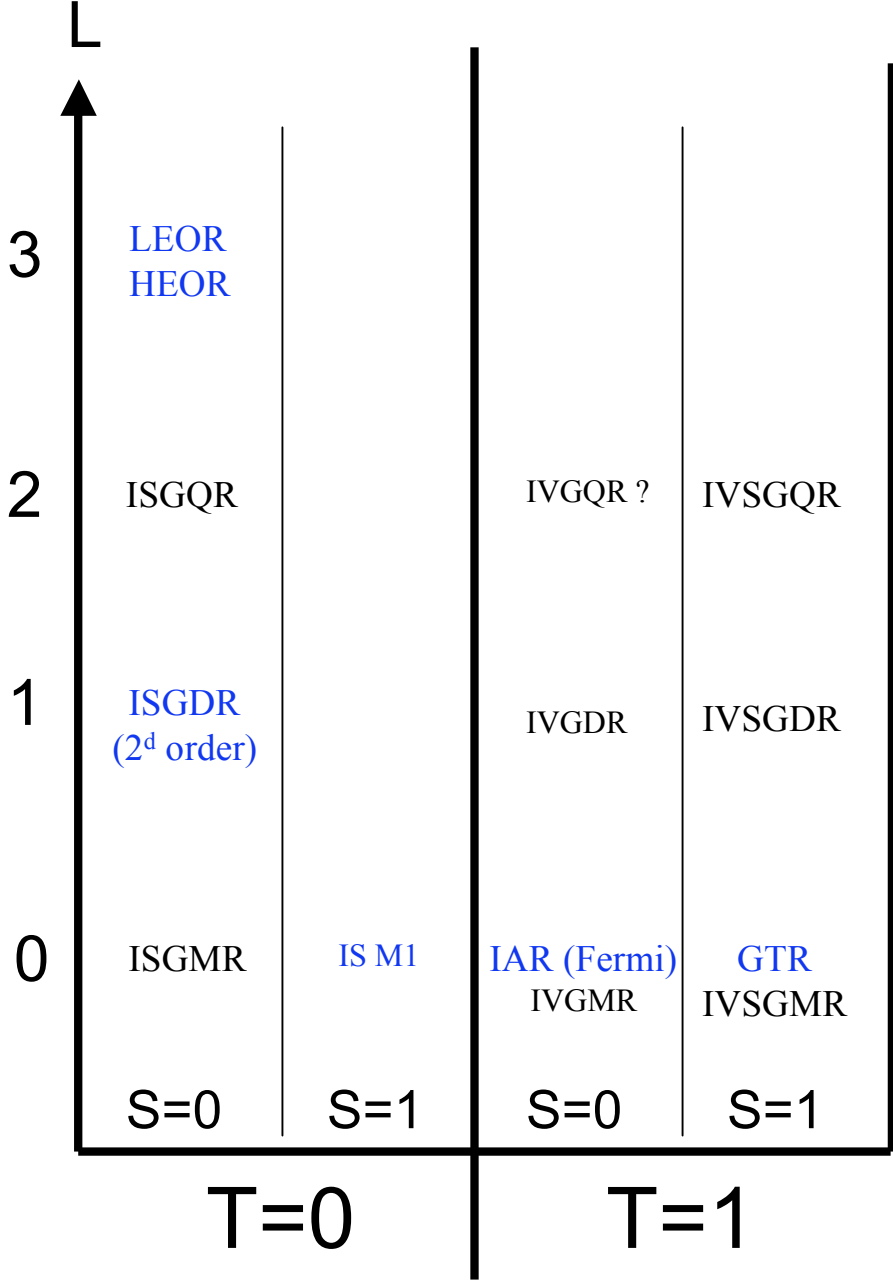
$T=0$

$T=1$

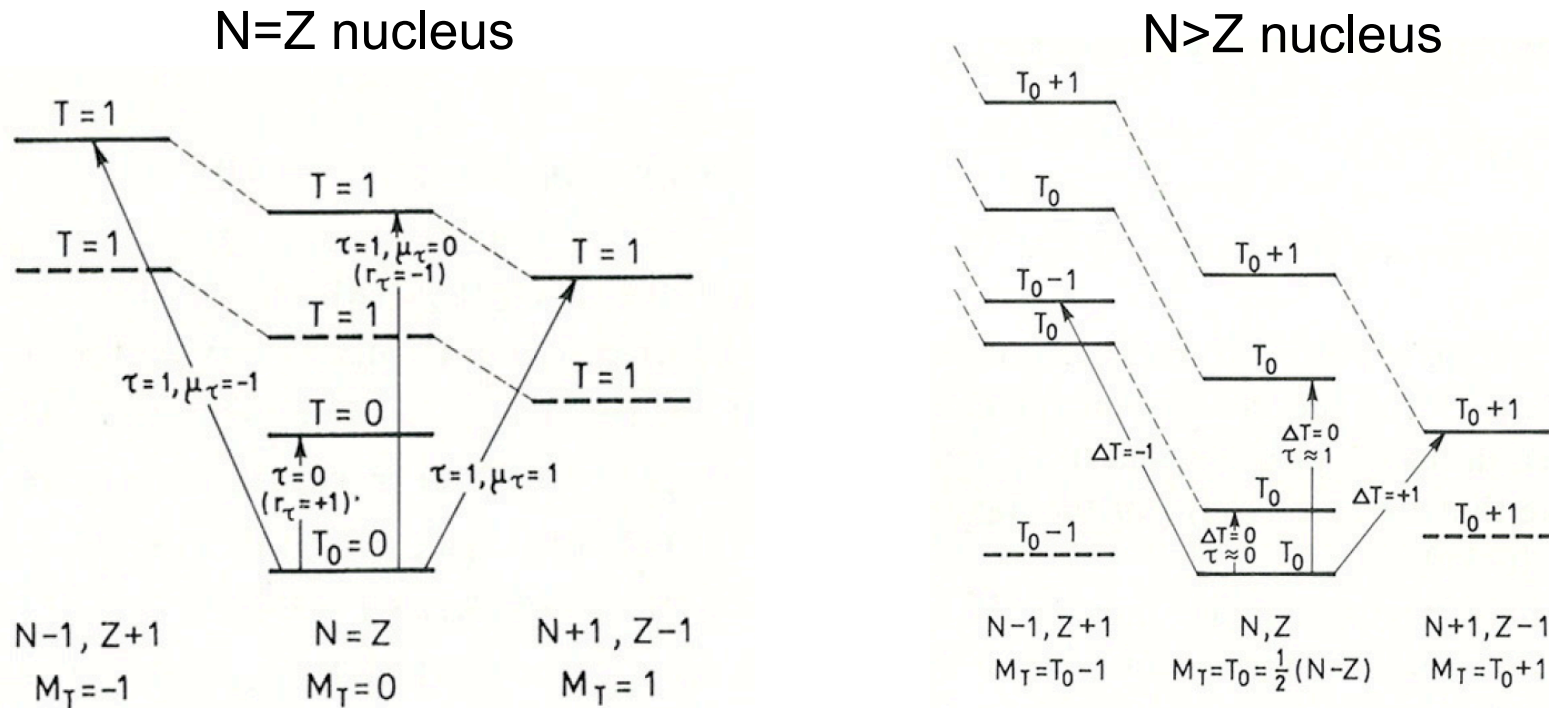
$$Q_{LM} = \sum_{i=1}^A t_3(i) r_i^L Y_{LM}(\hat{r}_i)$$



Additional GR (micro)



Breaking of isospin symmetry: neutron excess



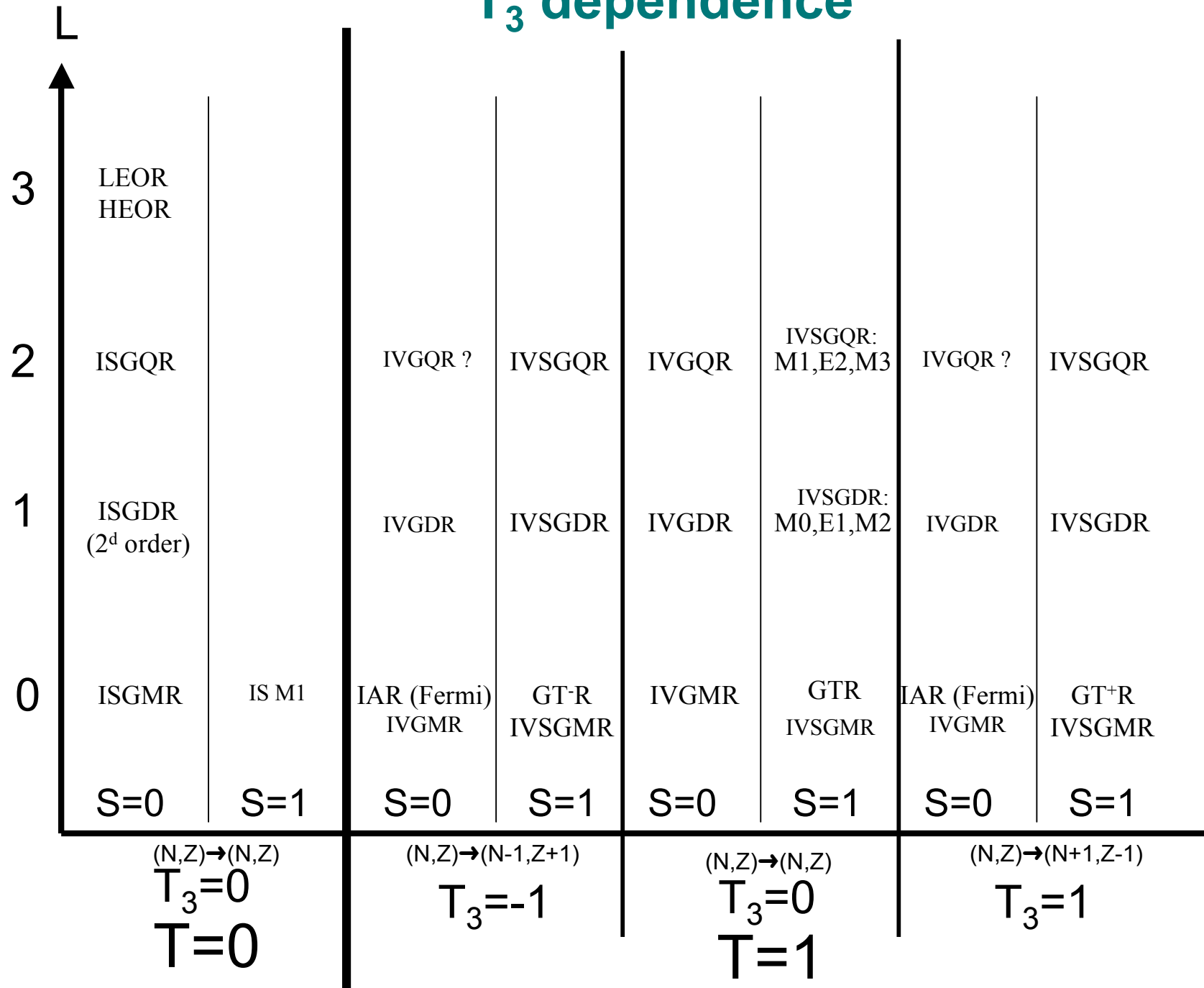
- **n excess:** IA states no more excited: different T_f value depending on the final nucleus
- **Pauli effect:** transition from (N, Z) towards $(Z-1, N+1)$ hindered ($GT+ \neq GT-$)
- **NB:** in nuclei, no spin up (or down) excess \longrightarrow no breaking of spin symmetry (deformation not adressed here)
- **Exotic nuclei:** n excess increased

Isospin symmetry broken

T3 degeneracy raised because of

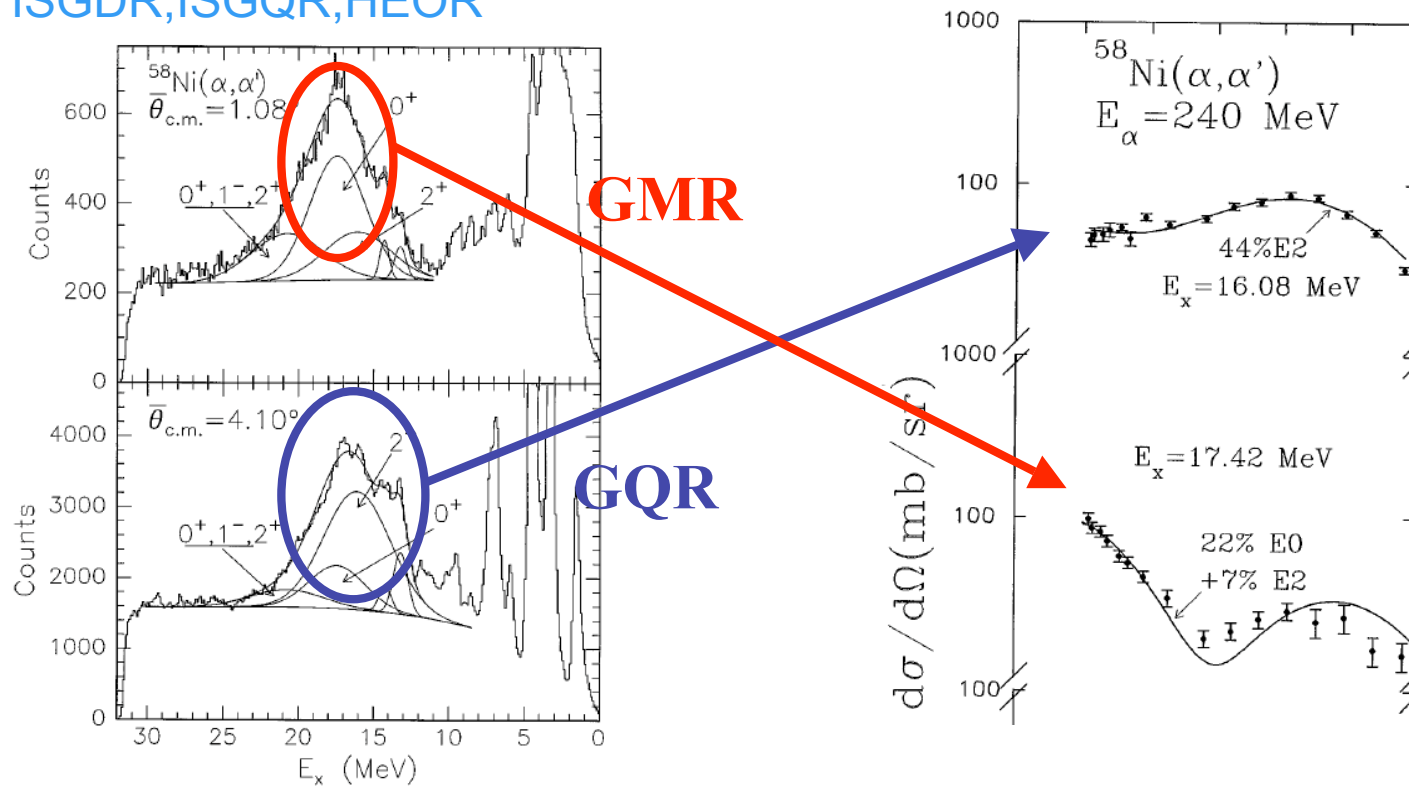
- **Weak interaction** processes (GT resonances)
- **n excess**: $T_i \neq 0$
- **Pauli effect**: transition from (N,Z) towards (N+1,Z-1) hindered

T₃ dependence



Why and how to study GR ?

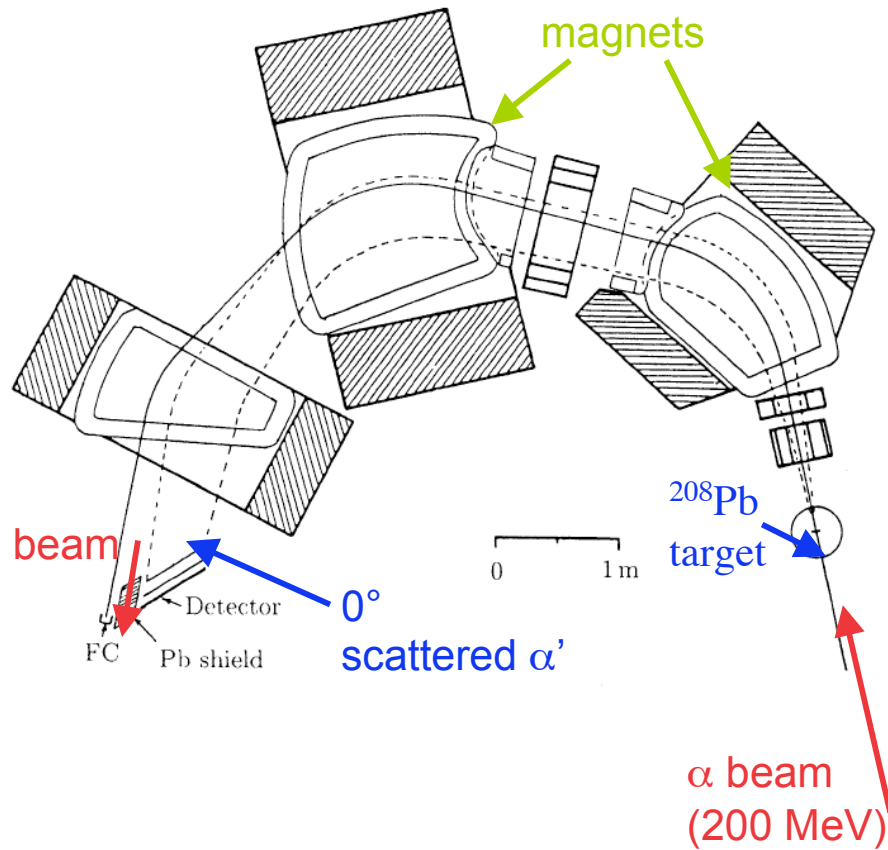
- GR have large cross section: dominant excitation mode
- Among the easiest to detect ; provides information on nuclear structure
- (L,S,T,T₃) combinations probe various observables. Ex : (0,0,0,0) probes nuclear matter incompressibility
- Experimentally, a given probe selects a column (T,T₃). The L,S value is selected with the **reaction/excitation energy** and/or **angular distribution**. Ex: (T=0,T₃=0) ISGMR, ISGDR,ISGQR,HEOR



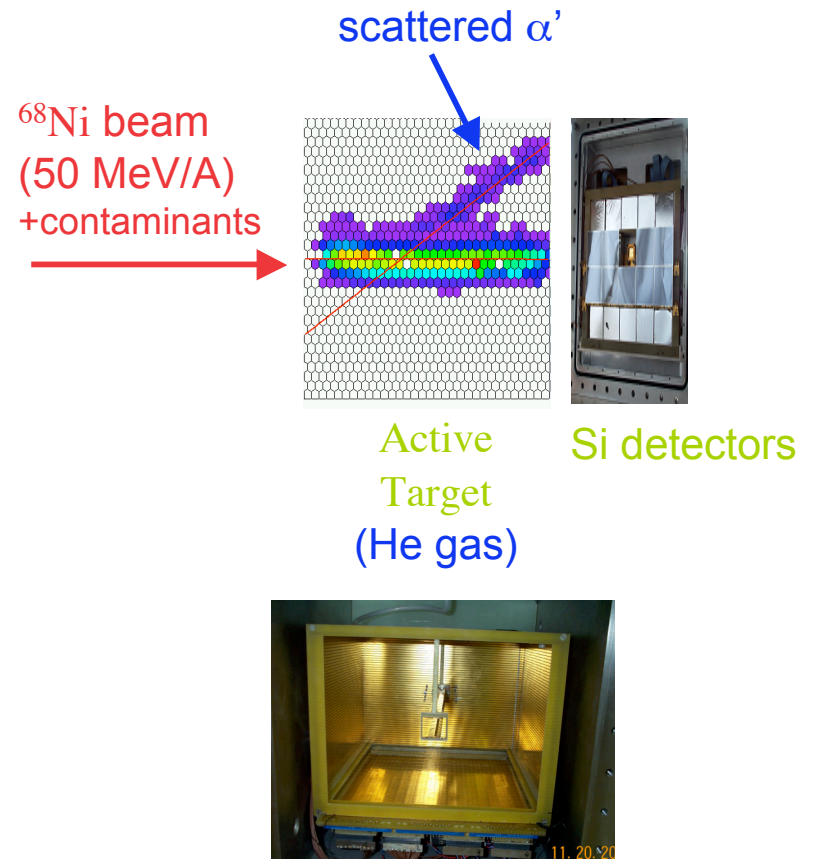
Measurement of GR

- Ex: IS GMR using (α, α')

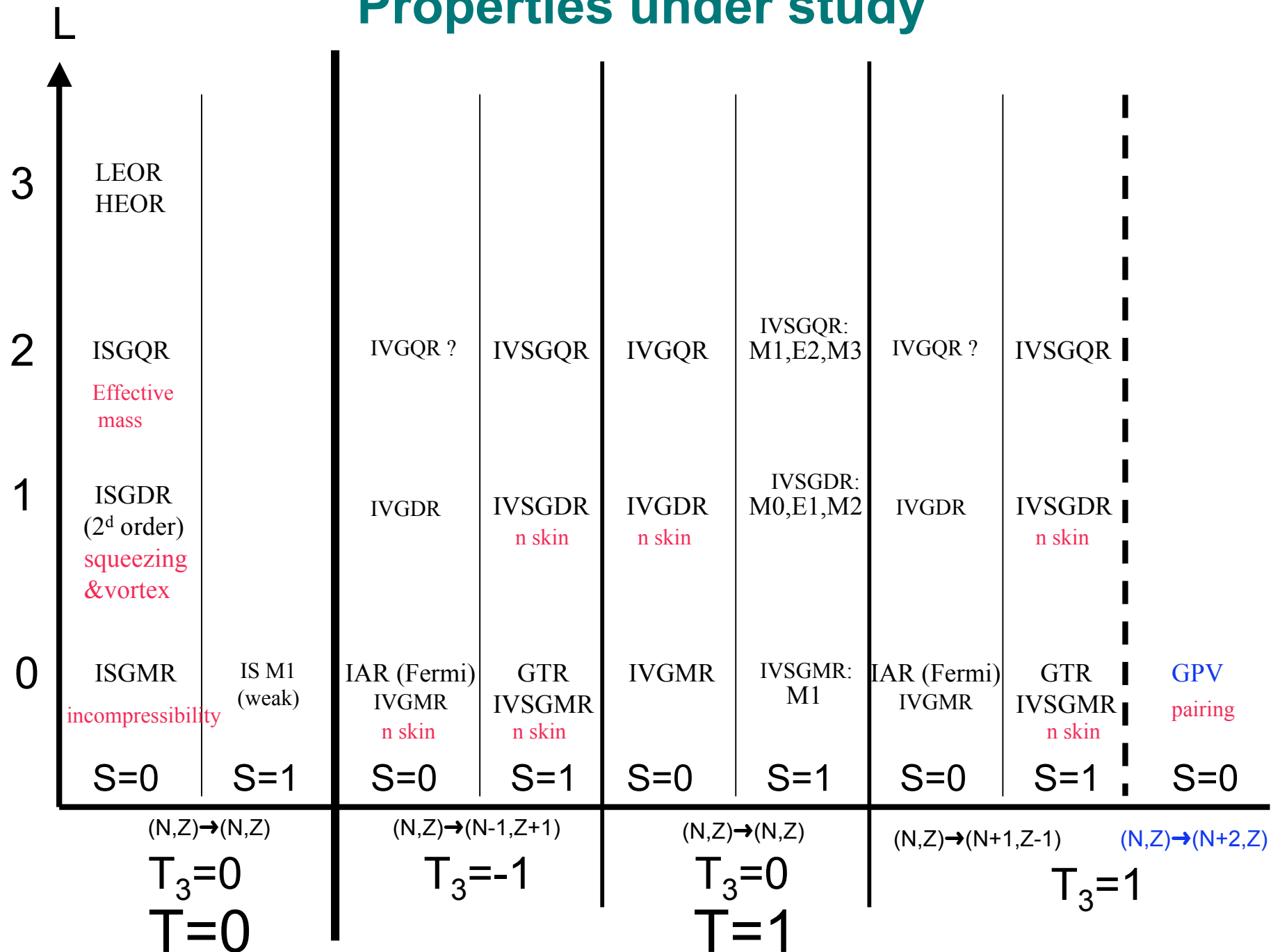
With stable nuclei



With exotic nuclei



Properties under study



2) How to describe GR ?

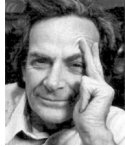
EDF

$E[\rho]$

HK theorem
Skyrme
Gogny

Action

$$S = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \int d\vec{r} (i\hbar \Psi^*(\vec{r}, t) \partial_t \Psi(\vec{r}, t) - E[\rho])$$



Ind. Particles

$$S = i\hbar \sum_{i=1}^A \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \int d\vec{r} (\varphi_i^*(\vec{r}, t) \partial_t \varphi_i(\vec{r}, t) - E[\rho])$$

Many-body
problem

Least action pcples

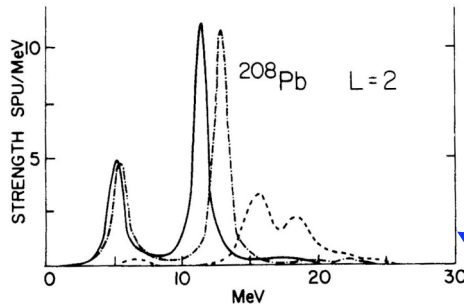
$$\delta S = 0$$

TDHF

$$i\hbar \partial_t \varphi_i = \frac{\delta E[\rho]}{\delta \rho} \varphi_i \hat{=} h \varphi_i$$

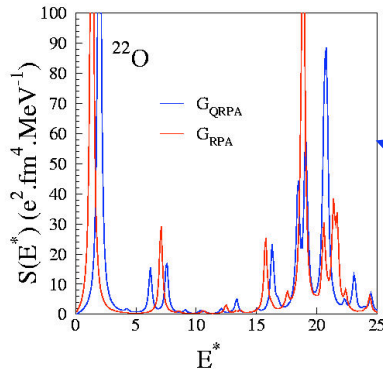
Linear
response
theory

$$\Pi = \Pi_0 + \Pi_0 \frac{\delta h}{\delta \rho} \Pi$$



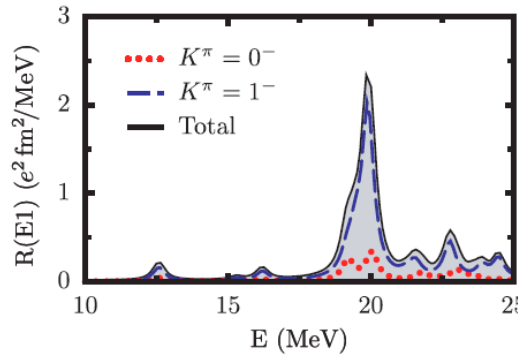
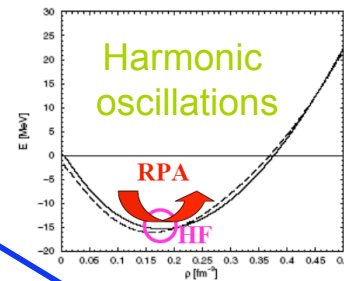
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Magic
nuclei



E. Khan, Nguyen Van Giai,
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Isotopic
chain

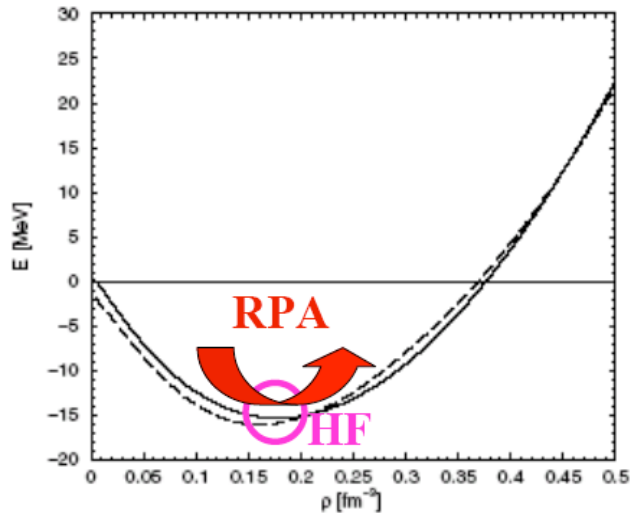


Deformed
nuclei

D. Pena Arteaga, P. Ring Phys.
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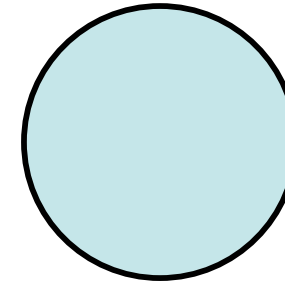
Response
function $S(E^*)$

Representation of a GR

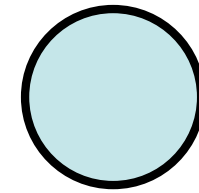


$$\rho(r, t) = \rho(r) + \delta\rho(r)\text{Cos}(\omega t)$$

GMR



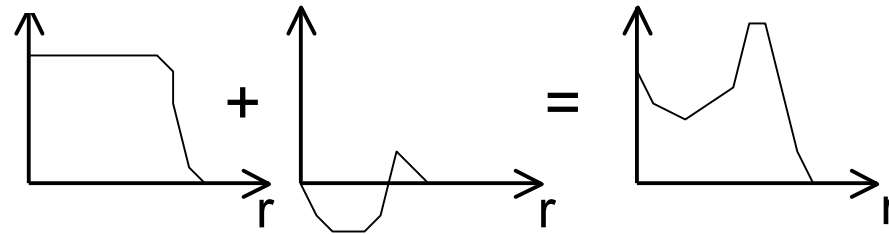
t=0



t>0

transition
density

$$\rho(r) + \delta\rho(r) = \rho(r, 0)$$



- GR are collective (many ph pairs involved)
- Small amplitude vibration: $\delta\rho \ll \rho$

$$\delta\rho(r) = \sum_{mi} (X_{mi} - Y_{mi}) \phi_i^*(r) \phi_m(r)$$

The Hohenberg-Kohn (HK) theorem

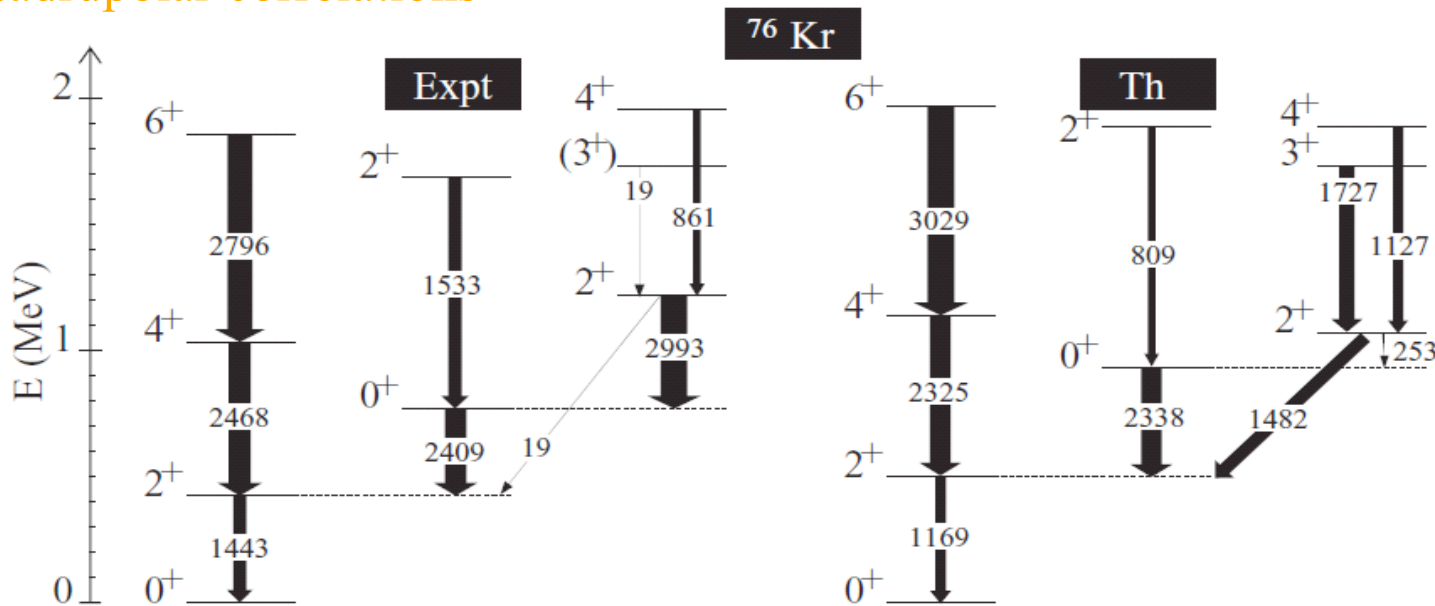
(Chemistry Nobel 98)

- There exists an energy functional $E[\rho]$ which depends on the (local) density. It allows to exactly predict ground state observables (solves the many body problem)
- Knowledge of this functional in nuclei ?
- HK states the existence of a functional for a given state, not an universal functional for the nuclear chart
- In nuclear physics coefficients in $E[\rho]$ are adjusted on radii, masses, ... : takes into account correlations beyond mean field.
- Nuclei: symmetry restoration (broken in self-bound systems)
- Kohn-Sham = method to calculate ρ , knowing $E[\rho]$

Excited states in the DFT: GCM or RPA ?

- GCM** (~5DCH): mixes the HF solutions with **various** deformation to obtain the lowest energy states.

Adapted for **low E** and **low J** states (does not take into account 1p-1h configurations) and for quadrupolar correlations



J. -P. Delaroche, M. Girod, J. Libert, H. Goutte, S. Hilaire, S. Péru, N. Pillet, and G. F. Bertsch
Phys. Rev. C **81**, 014303 (2010)

- RPA**: Mixes the 1p-1h configuration on a **single** HF solution.

Adapted for **collective** states, at **low or high E** (giant resonances)

RPA/shell model

Advantages of the RPA:

- simplicity, also from the computational point of view;
- relates easily the interaction to the observable
- there is no “core” (that is, no need of effective charges);
- it is possible to study highly excited states.
- Provides densities and transition densities

Disadvantages:

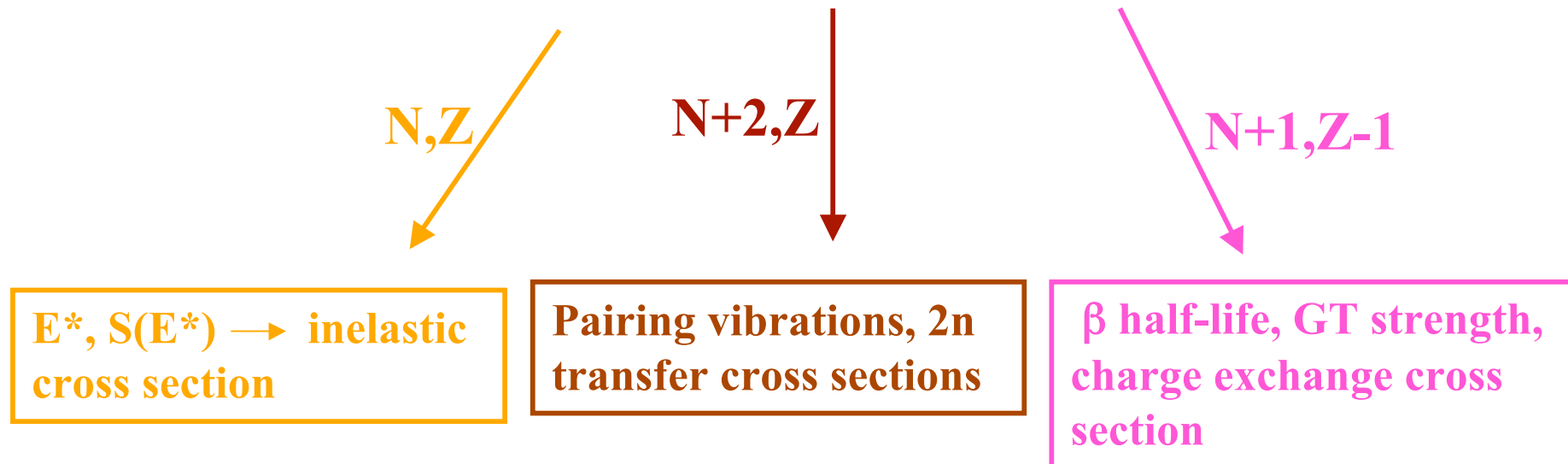
- not all the many-body correlations are taken into account.
- weak predictive power for low energy part of the spectrum

The Quasiparticle-RPA (QRPA)

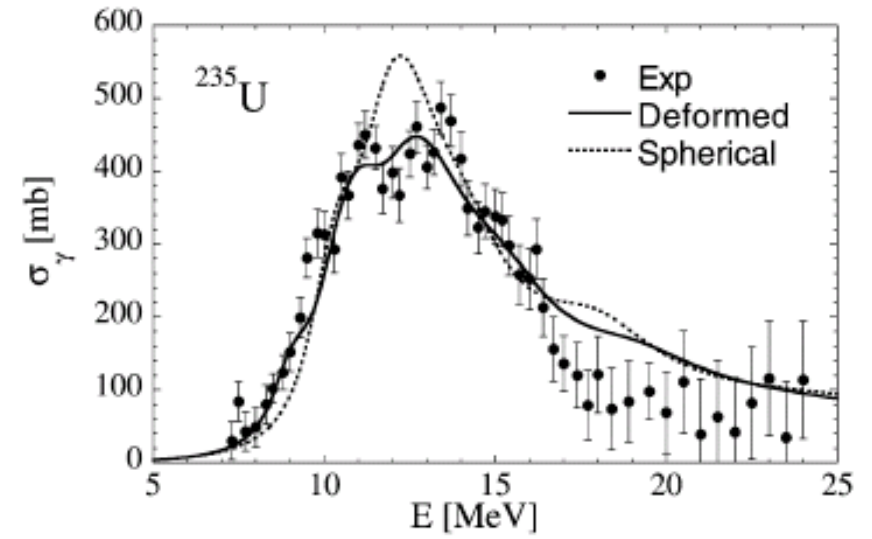
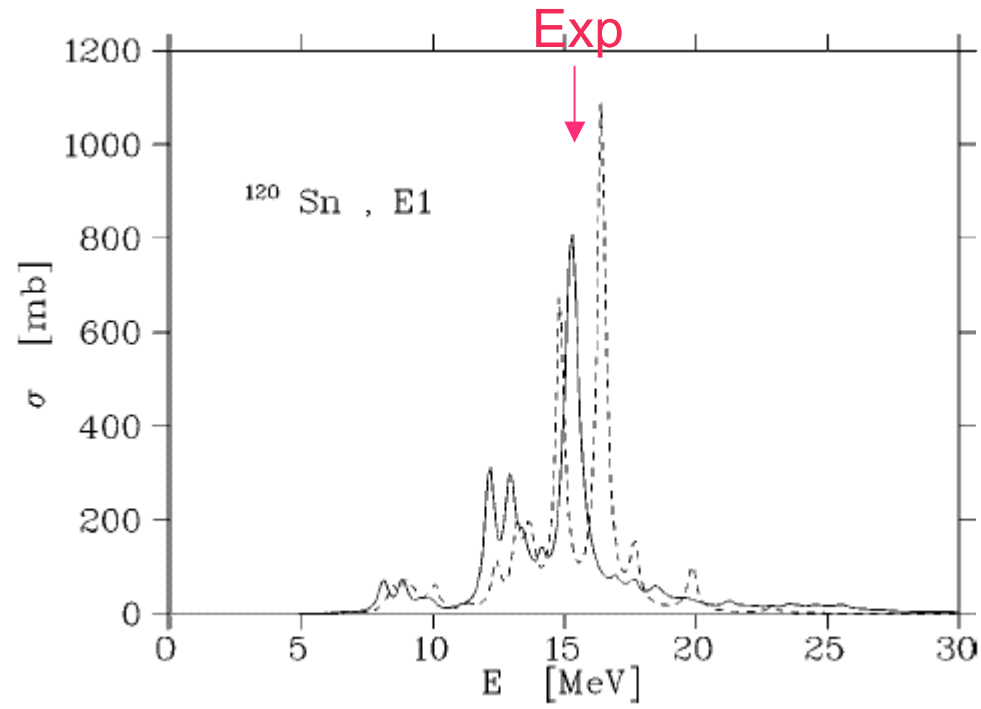
- Excitation and pairing
 - Method known since ~40 years in nuclear physics
 - Strong peak of activity since year **2000**. Why ?
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- QRPA : excited states are a superposition of 2 quasiparticles states
 - A quasiparticle is a superposition of a particle and a hole

Study of nuclear transition of the whole nuclear chart

(isotopic chain, open shell, drip-line, ...)



Illustrative results

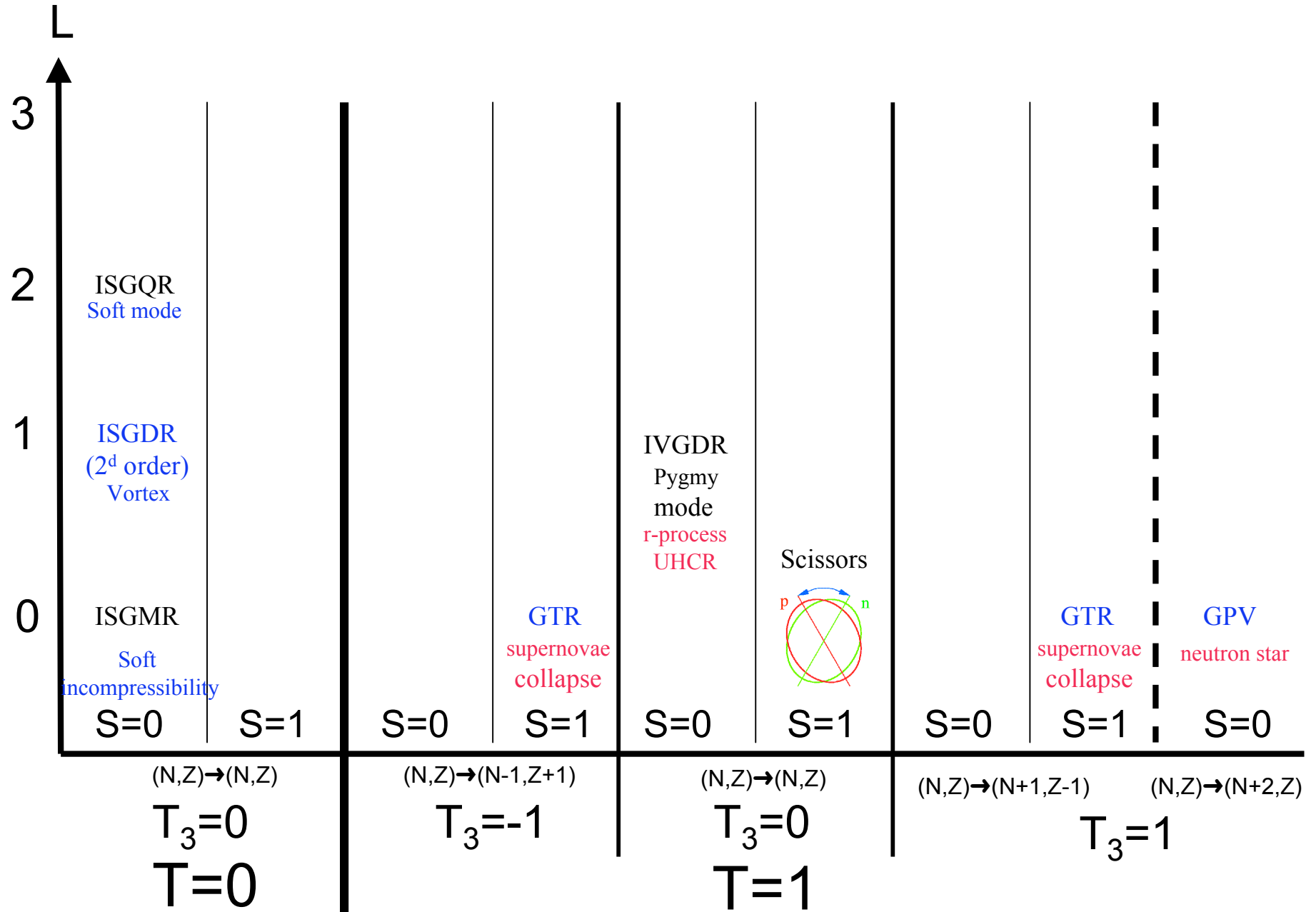


3) GR in exotic nuclei

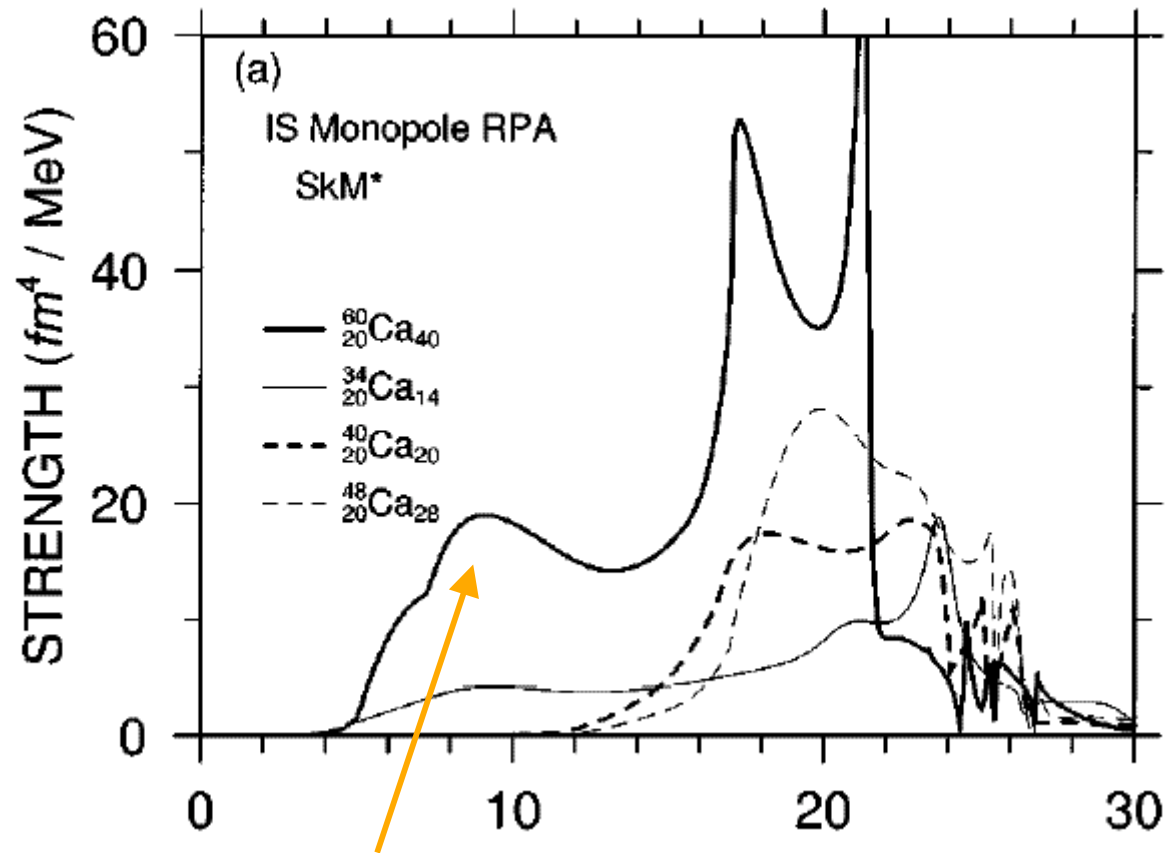
Issues of GR in exotic nuclei

- Provides a general description of GR
- Observable test: n skin effect, incompressibility in n rich matter, ...
- Low energy (soft) mode: around separation energy
—————→ detection, pairing, temperature
- Collective (pygmy) or only low-lying strength ?
- Continuum for drip-line
- Neutron excess: IS & IV components
- Exp status (since 2000): IV GDR in $^{20-22}\text{O}$ (GSI), ^{132}Sn (GSI),
 ^{26}Ne (Riken/Orsay), ^{68}Ni (Milano)
IS GMR & GQR in ^{56}Ni (GANIL/Orsay)

Exotic GR



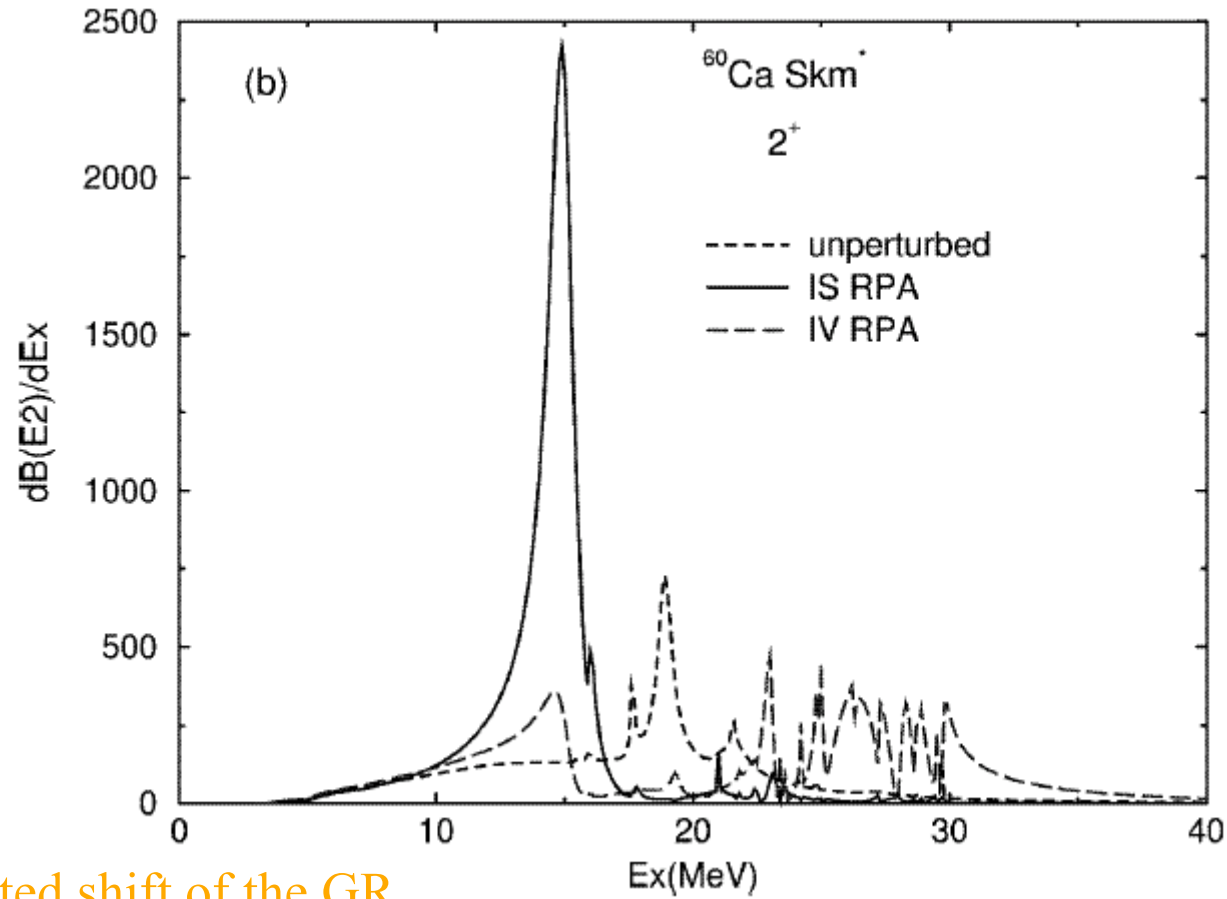
Soft GMR



Compression of low-density nuclear matter

H. Sagawa and H. Esbensen, Nucl. Phys. A **693**, 448 (2001)

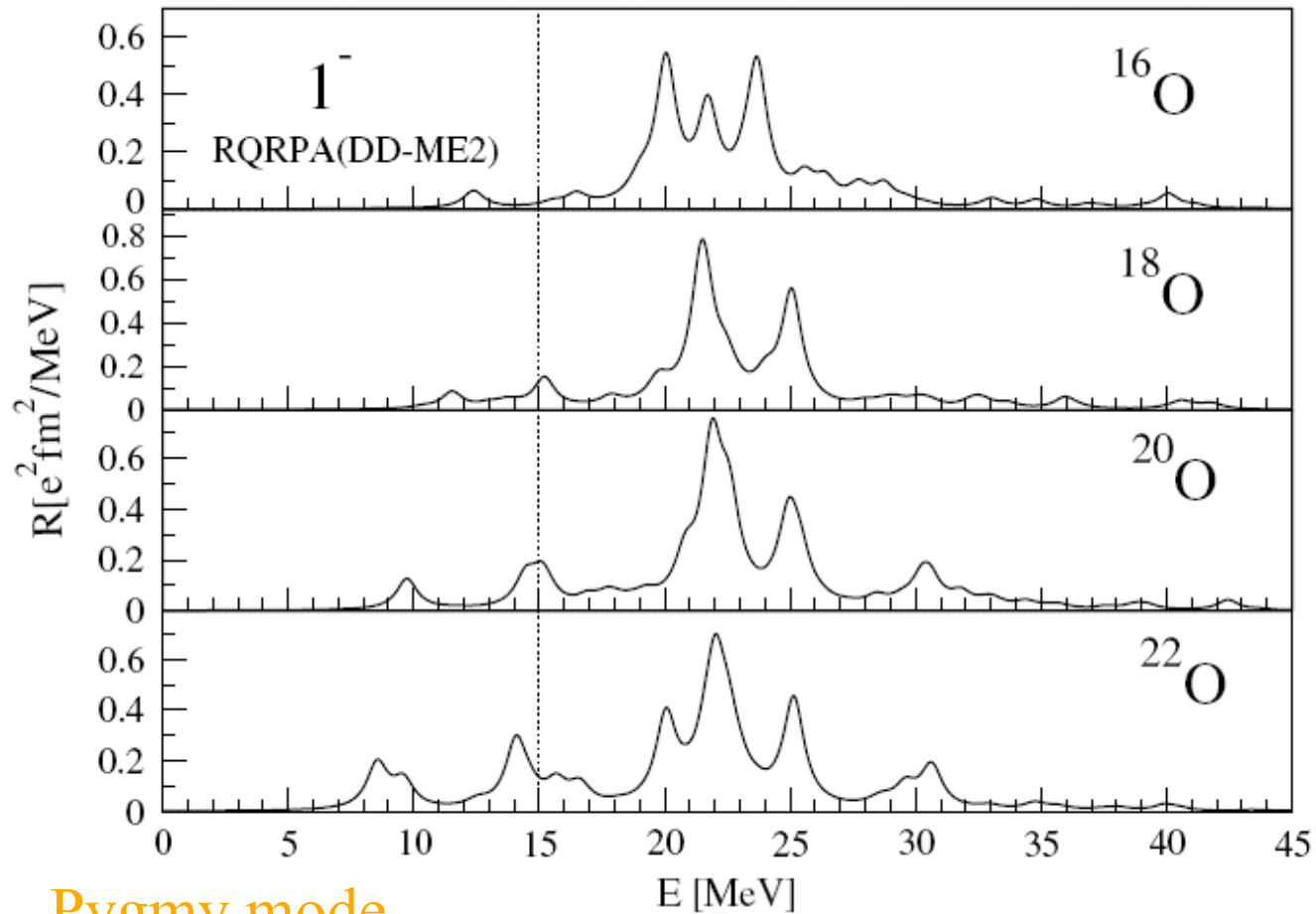
Soft GQR



Unexpected shift of the GR

H. Sagawa and H. Esbensen, Nucl. Phys. A **693**, 448 (2001)

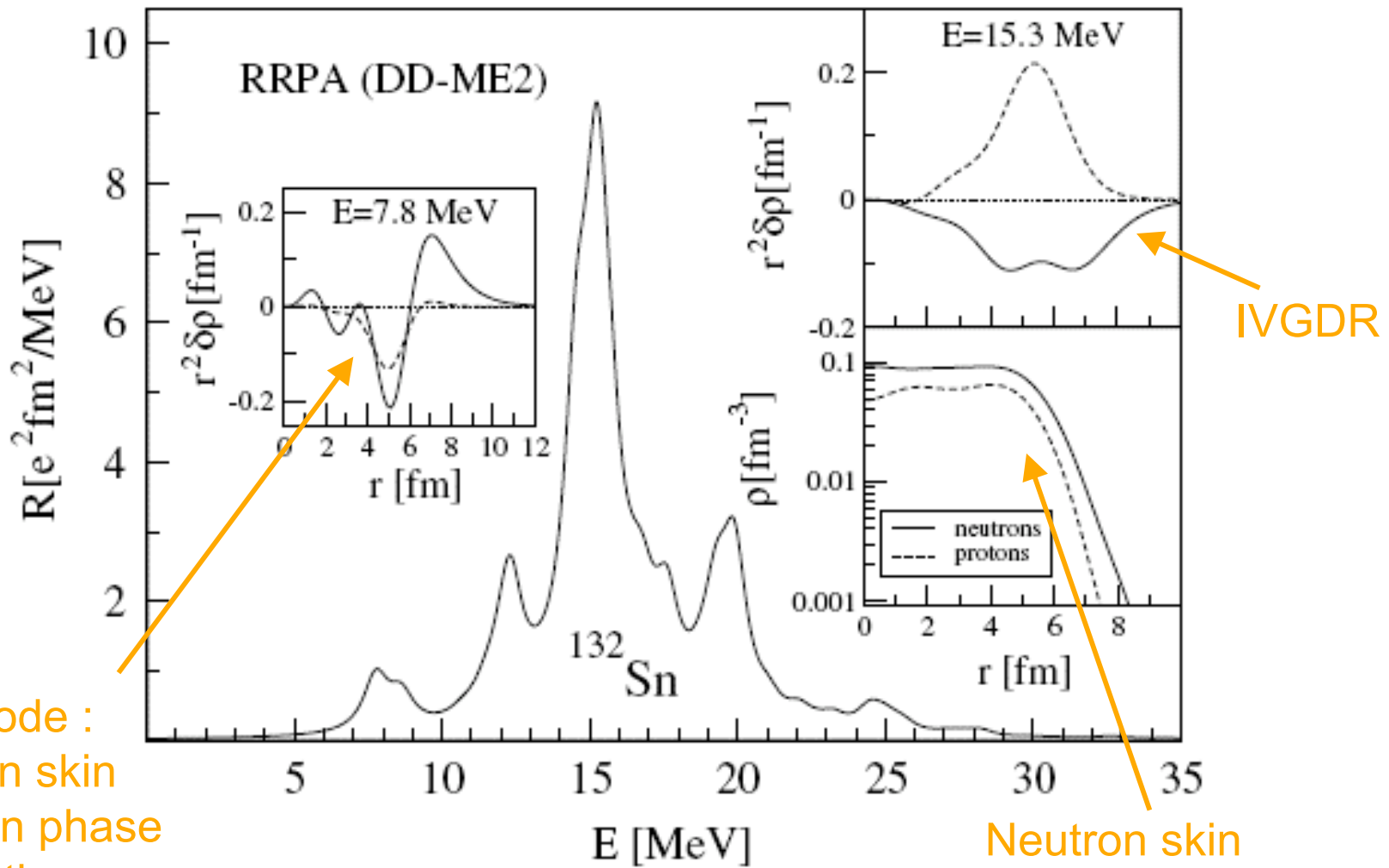
Soft GDR predictions



Pygmy mode

N. Paar, P. Ring, T. Nikšić, D. Vretenar, Phys. Rev. C **67**, 034312 (2003)

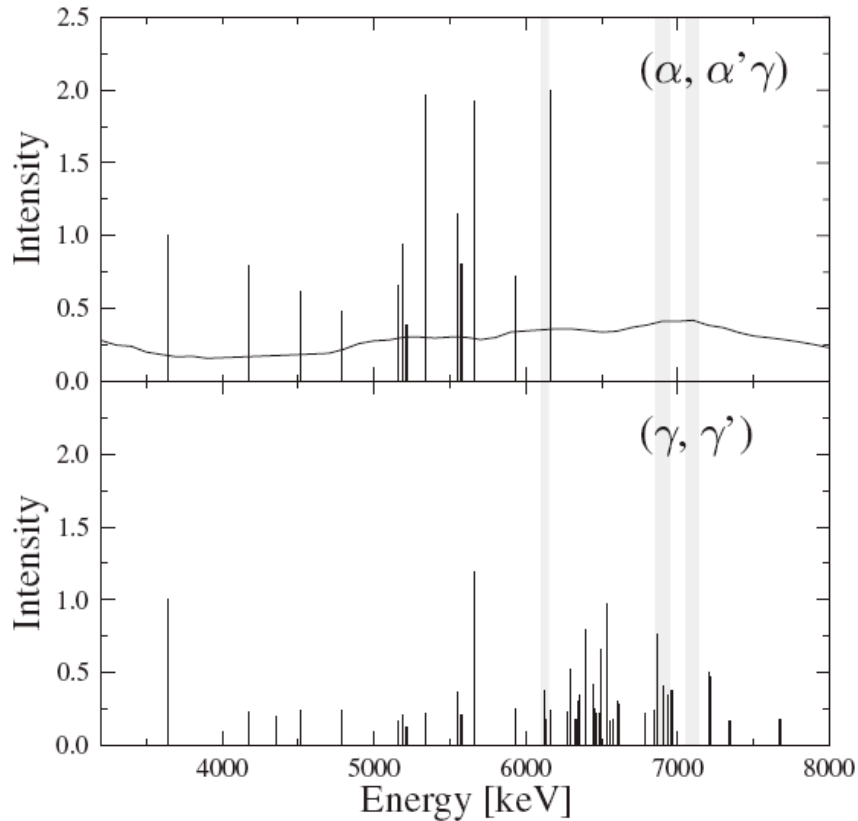
Soft GDR predictions



Soft mode :
 Neutron skin
 +core in phase
 +collective

Neutron skin

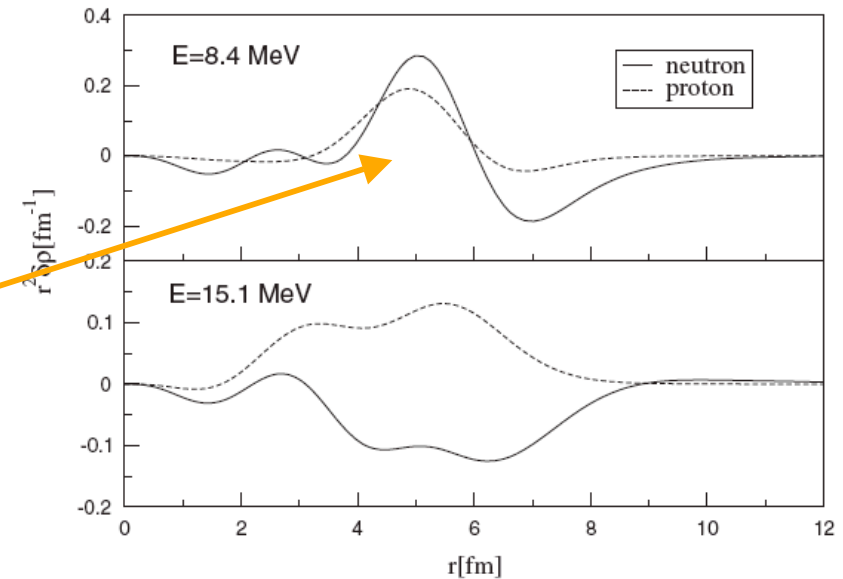
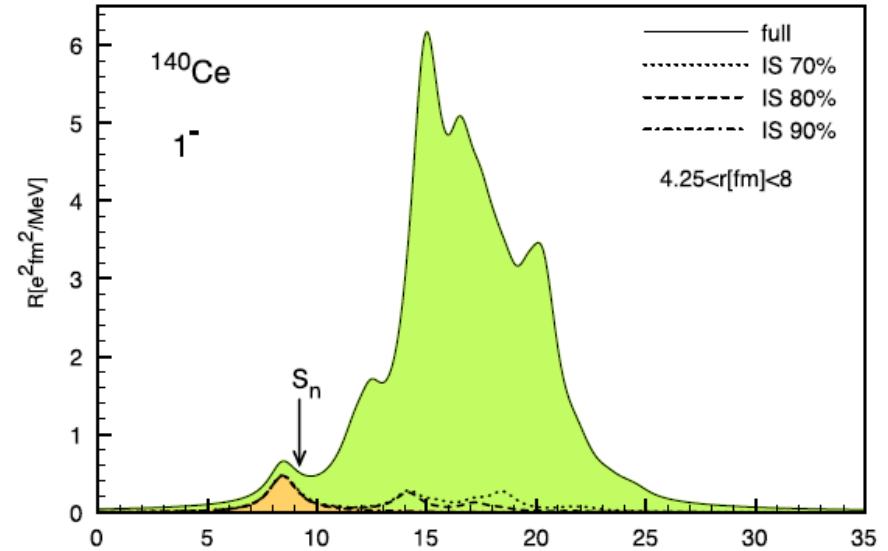
IS/IV nature of the pygmy mode



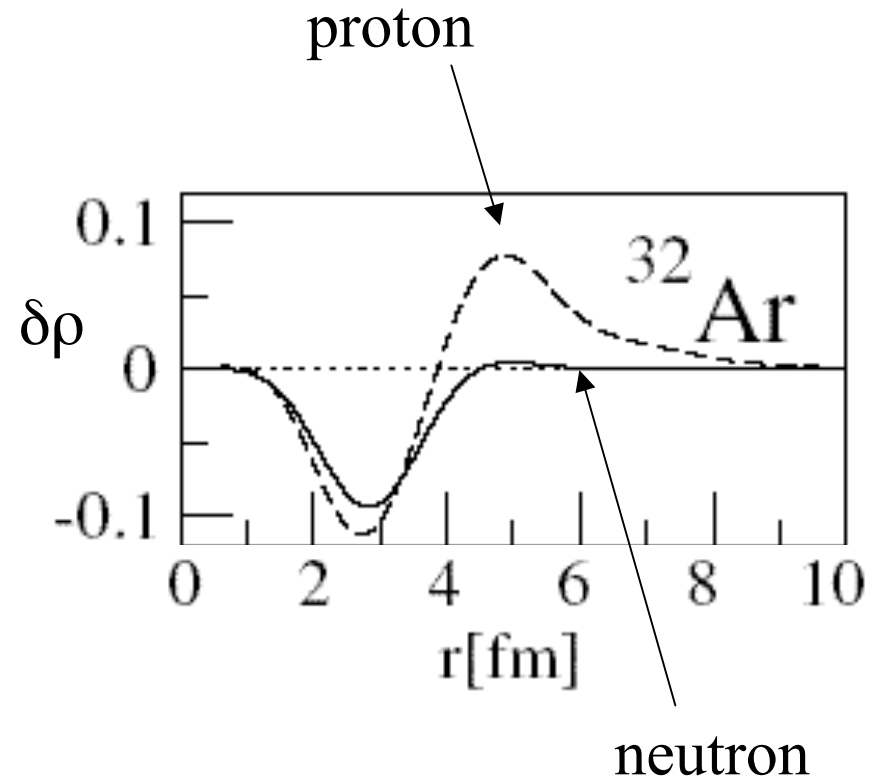
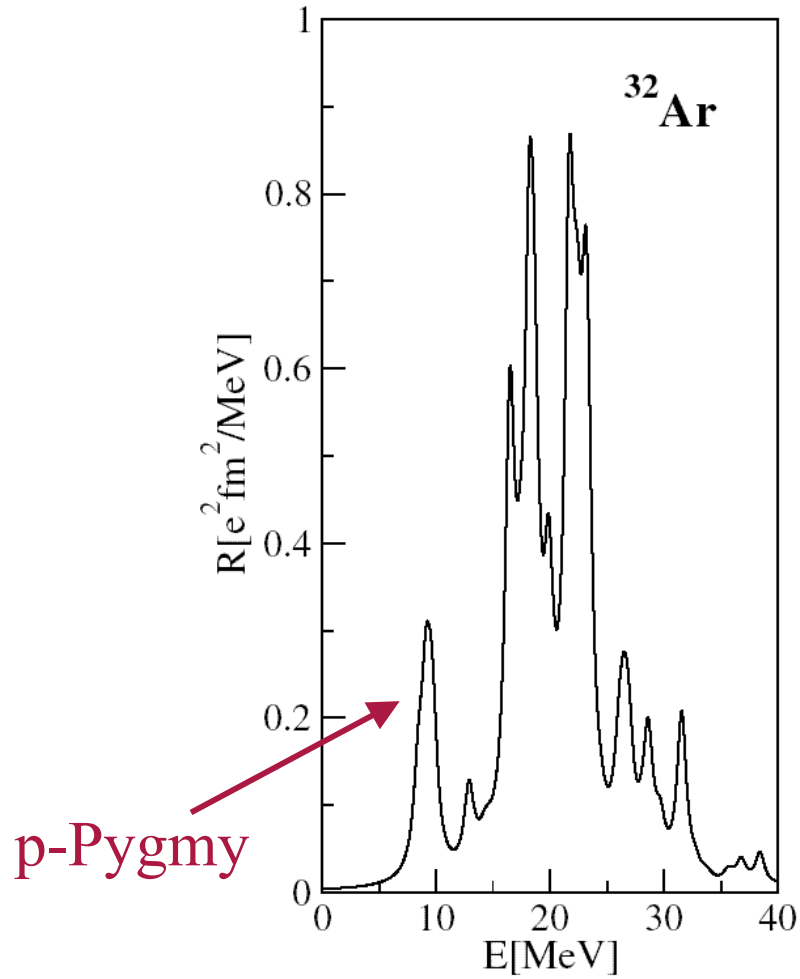
Translation of an IV n skin around an IS np core

^{140}Ce is stable

Same pattern in exotic nuclei ?

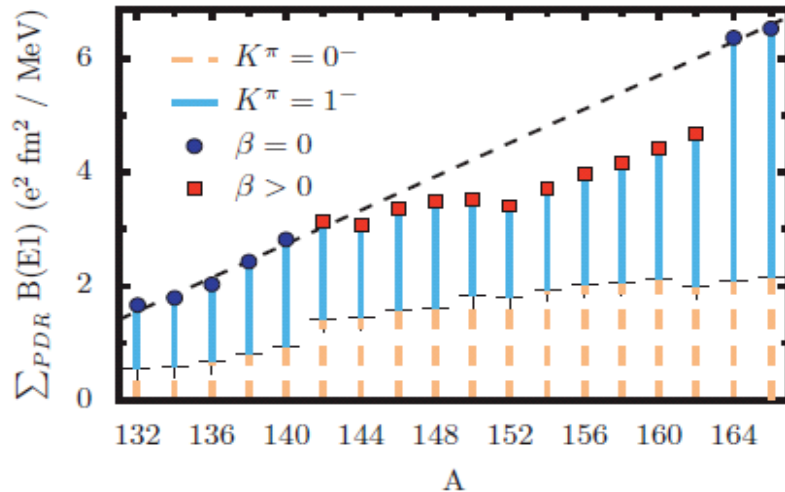
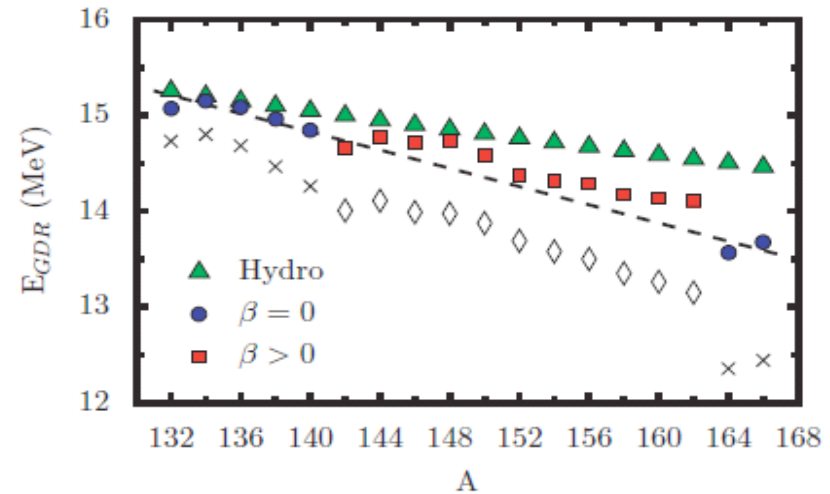
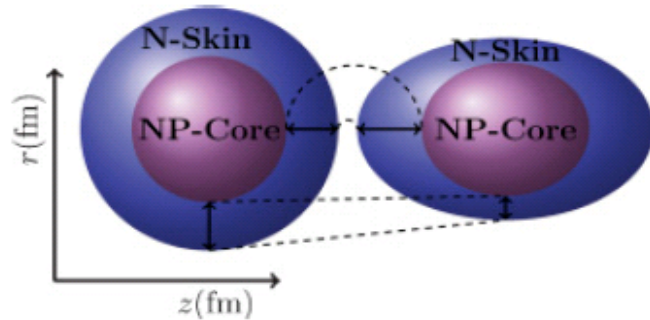


Proton pygmy dipole



GR in nuclei with extreme n excess

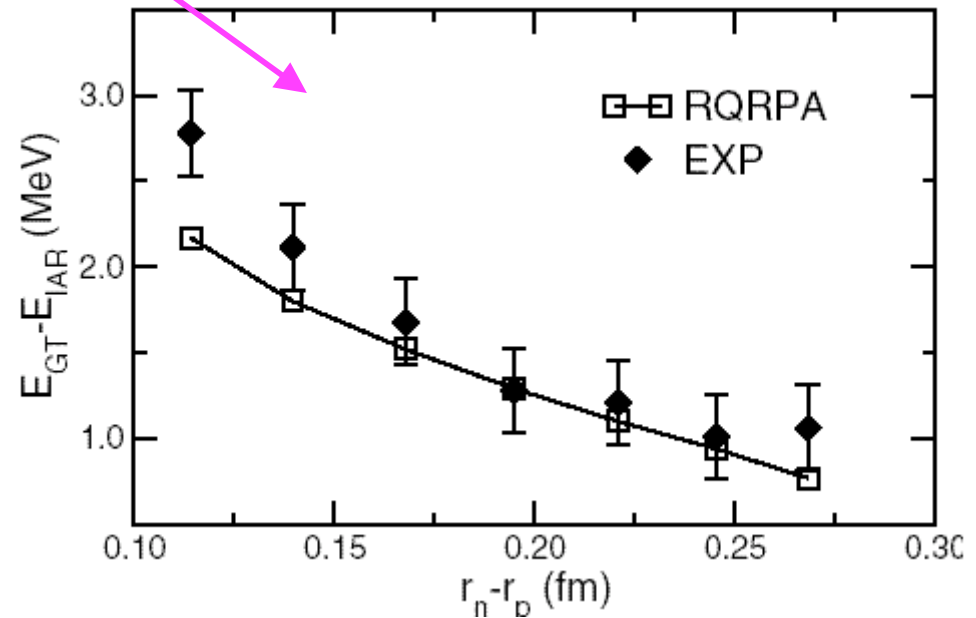
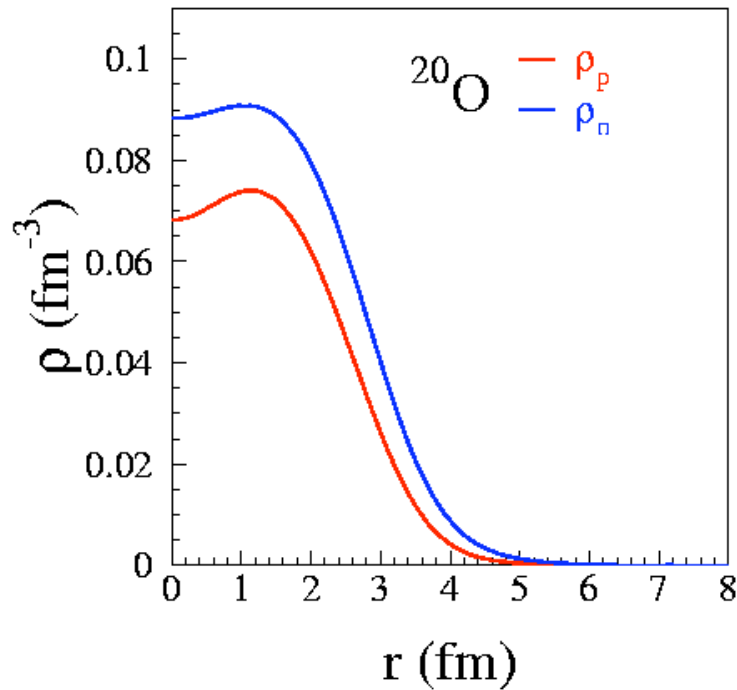
Large neutron skin \longrightarrow weakening of the LS \longrightarrow disappearance of magic numbers (Z=50) \longrightarrow deformation



The pygmy mode is quenched by the deformation because of the reduction of the n skin

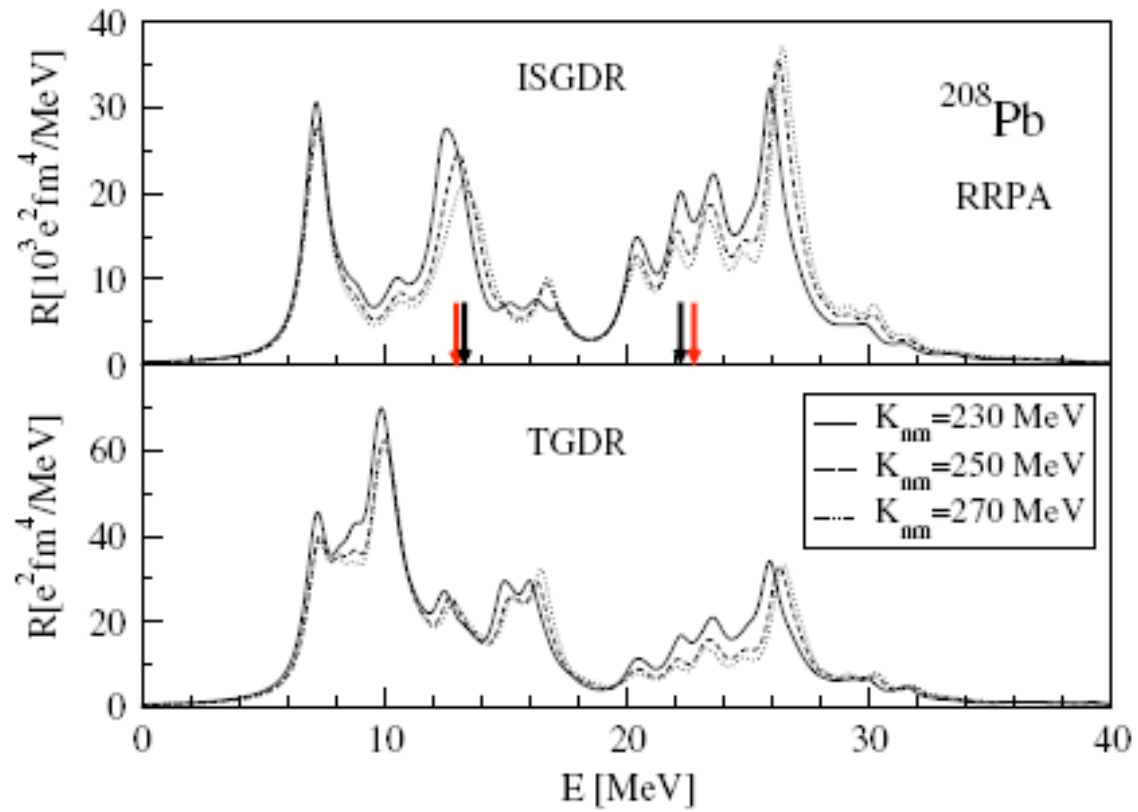
How to measure a neutron skin with GR ?

- **GDR** : $S=0, T=1, L=1$; DWBA analysis
- **Spin-dipole** : $S=1, T=1, L=1$; Sum rule
- **GTR** : $S=1, T=1, L=0$ and **IAR** : $S=0, T=1, L=0$; Energy shift

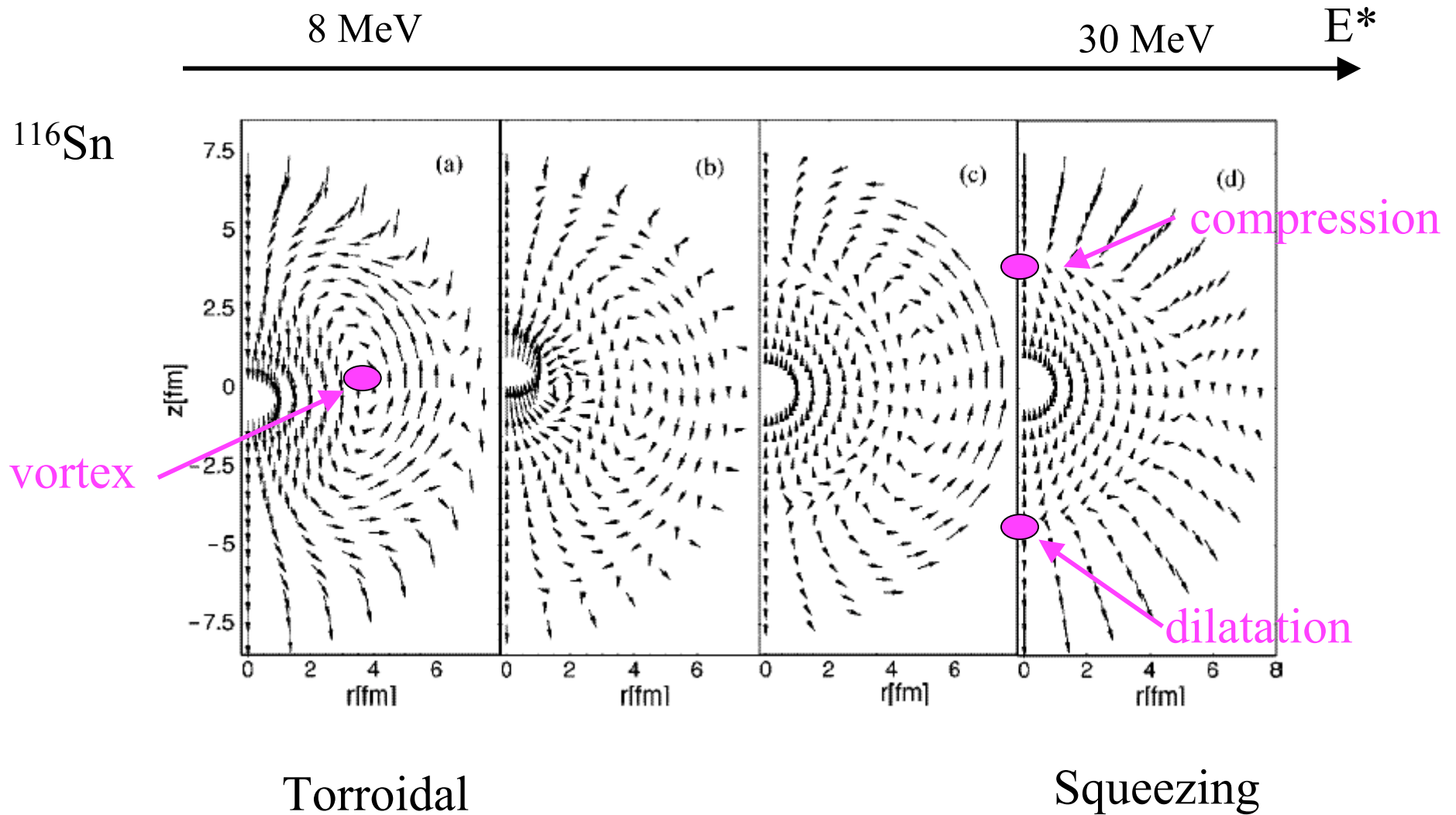


Spin-orbit term
raises the degeneracy

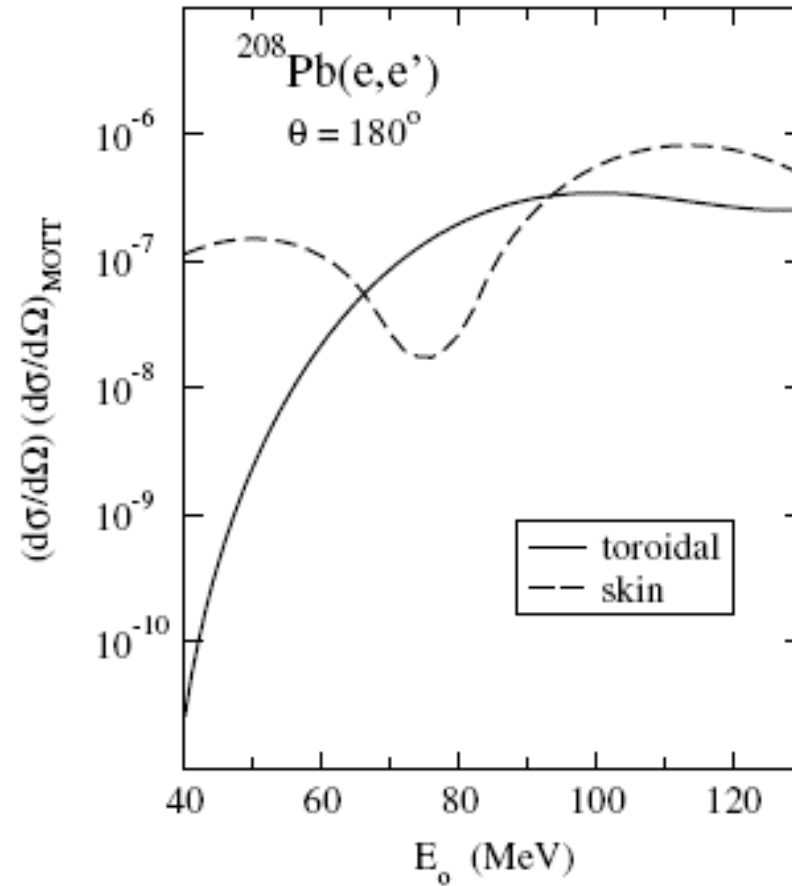
Isoscalar GDR



Exotic modes : low energy ISGDR



Detecting the vortex mode



A. Richter, Nucl. Phys. A **731**, 59 (2004)

Conclusion

- GR are collective high E modes with large cross section
 - n excess breaks isospin symmetry: (L;S,T,T₃) ordering of GR
 - Easiest (!) to detect and provide various information on nuclear structure: K_∞, n skin, probe the functional (see next point)
 - Derived as harmonic oscillations from TDHF, based on a single functional
 - In exotic nuclei, new modes of excitation: soft modes, pygmy.
 - Exotic nuclei useful as isotopic chain (Ex: K_∞): analog to magic number evolution
- Not mentioned: GPV, GR and astrophysics, deformation on GR, fine structure, width, decay, hot GR, multiphonon, tools (macroscopic models, sumrule), measurement of GR (exotic nuclei)

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