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- Today, I will talk my research topics not far from neutron star research

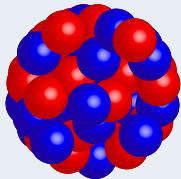
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What Are Quantum Many-body Problems (量子多体問題)?



Atomic Nuclei

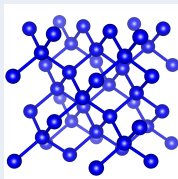
Particles Protons and neutrons

Interaction Nuclear interaction
Coulomb interaction

External field None

of particles $\lesssim 300$

- Many-particle systems which obey Schrödinger or Dirac equation
- It is impossible to solve Schrödinger or Dirac equation directly
→ Efficient method to solve the equation is required



Atoms, Molecules, and Solids

Particles Electrons

Interaction Coulomb interaction

External field Coulomb fields
(formed by atomic nuclei)

of particles $O(10)$ – $O(10000)$

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How to Solve Quantum Many-Body Problems?

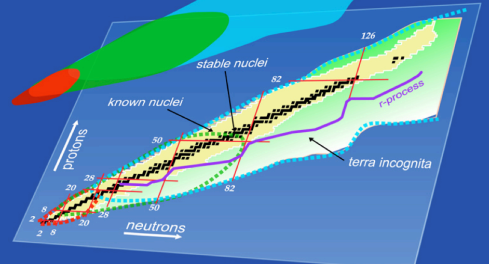
- Our motivation is to calculate w.f. (or density), energy spectra, . . . without introducing any model (at a minimum)
- First, let me focus on ground-state properties
- Such methods are called “microscopic methods”, which can be divided into two classes
 - Wave function methods** Derive Ψ_{gs} and E_{gs} directly
High accuracy but huge numerical costs
(e.g. post Hartree-Fock, quantum Monte Carlo)
 - Density functional theory** Variation of energy density functional
Problems are truncated into non-int. systems
Low numerical costs but moderate accuracy

Difficulty in Nuclear Structure Calculation

- Nuclear force in vacuum is well known (scat. exp., lat. QCD, χ EFT)
- Nuclear force in medium is different from bare one, and its detail form is still under discussion

Applicable Range of Many-Body Methods in Nuclear Chart

Nuclear Landscape

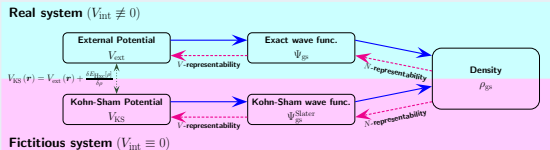


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At this moment,
only DFT can be applied to
(almost) the whole nuclear chart

What Are Density Functional Theory (密度汎関数理論)?

- Proposed by Hohenberg, Kohn, and Sham in 1964–1965
- Idea—Combination of Thomas-Fermi approx. and Hartree-Fock calc.
- Basic Theory—**Hohenberg-Kohn Theorem**
 - There is one-to-one correspondence between ρ_{gs} and V_{ext}
Key point is V_{ext} can be uniquely specified once ρ_{gs} is known
 - G.S. energy can be expressed as $E_{gs} = \int V_{ext}(\mathbf{r}) \rho_{gs}(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r} + F[\rho_{gs}]$,
where F is universal functional w.r.t. V_{int}
- Practical Method—**Kohn-Sham Scheme**



- Since problems are truncated into “non-interacting fictitious system” using E_{HXC} , which includes information of V_{int} , numerical cost is drastically reduced
- E_{HXC} governs accuracy of DFT calculation

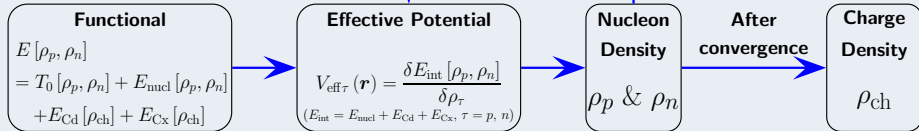
How to Solve Ψ_{gs} in Nuclear DFT?

T_0 Kohn-Sham Kinetic Energy

E_{nucl} Nuclear EDF

$E_{\text{Cd}} = \frac{e^2}{2} \iint \frac{\rho_{\text{ch}}(\mathbf{r}) \rho_{\text{ch}}(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}'$ Coulomb Direct EDF

E_{Cx} Coulomb Exchange EDF



- In DFT for electronic systems, EDF can be derived theoretically
- Nuclear DFT includes to HF calc. with δ -type effective int. (Skyrme int.)
- Other types of density-dep. int. (Gogny, relativistic, etc) are also referred to as “DFT” for simplicity
- Although bare nuclear int. is known experimentally or theoretically, nuclear int. in medium is not known well
- Thus, in DFT for nuclear systems, E_{nucl} is fitted to experimental data

- Ground-state energy density can be written as ($E_{\text{int}} = \int \mathcal{E}_{\text{int}}(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}$)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}_{\text{nucl}}[\rho_p, \rho_n] = & \frac{t_0}{2} \left[\left(\frac{x_0}{2} + 1 \right) \rho^2 - \left(x_0 + \frac{1}{2} \right) \sum_{\tau} \rho_{\tau}^2 \right] + \frac{t_1}{4} \left[\left(\frac{x_1}{2} + 1 \right) \rho t - \left(x_1 + \frac{1}{2} \right) \sum_{\tau} \rho_{\tau} t_{\tau} \right] \\ & + \frac{t_2}{4} \left[\left(\frac{x_2}{2} + 1 \right) \rho t - \left(x_2 + \frac{1}{2} \right) \sum_{\tau} \rho_{\tau} t_{\tau} \right] - \frac{3t_1}{16} \left[\left(\frac{x_1}{2} + 1 \right) \rho \Delta \rho + \left(x_1 + \frac{1}{2} \right) \sum_{\tau} \rho_{\tau} \Delta \rho_{\tau} \right] \\ & + \frac{t_2}{16} \left[\left(\frac{x_2}{2} + 1 \right) \rho \Delta \rho + \left(x_2 + \frac{1}{2} \right) \sum_{\tau} \rho_{\tau} \Delta \rho_{\tau} \right] + \frac{t_3}{12} \left[\left(\frac{x_3}{2} + 1 \right) \rho^2 - \left(x_3 + \frac{1}{2} \right) \sum_{\tau} \rho_{\tau}^2 \right] \rho^{\alpha} \\ & - \frac{\theta_{\text{SO}}}{8} (t_1 x_1 + t_2 x_2) \sum_{\tau} \mathbf{J}_{\tau}^2 - \frac{\theta_{\text{SO}}}{16} t_1 (x_1 - 1) + t_2 (x_2 + 1) \mathbf{J}_n \cdot \mathbf{J}_p \\ & - \frac{W_0}{2} \rho \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} - \frac{W'_0}{2} \sum_{\tau} \rho_{\tau} \cdot \mathbf{J}_{\tau} \end{aligned}$$

$$\tau = p, n, \rho(\mathbf{r}) = \sum |\varphi_j(\mathbf{r})|^2, t(\mathbf{r}) = \sum |\nabla \varphi_j(\mathbf{r})|^2, \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}) = \sum \varphi^{\dagger}(\mathbf{r}) \boldsymbol{\sigma} \times \nabla \varphi_j(\mathbf{r})$$

- Parameters are determined to satisfy nuclear EoS (e.g. APR) and/or experimental binding energies, charge radii, etc

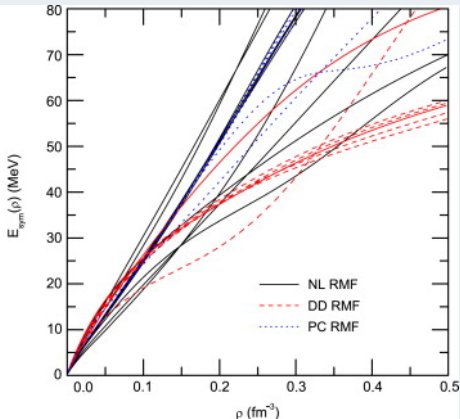
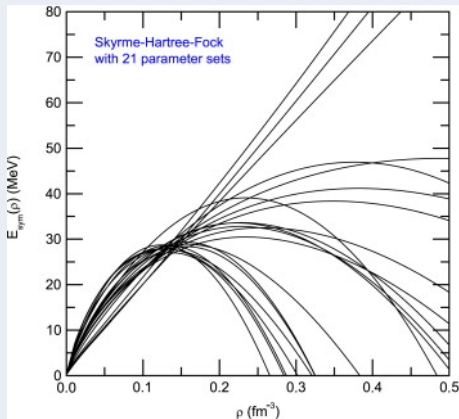
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Skyrme Zoo?

- Although “form” of Skyrme EDF is unique, there are more than 200 of Skyrme EDF in the market
- Different Skyrme EDF predict different E_{sym} even around ρ_{sat}
- There are many attempts to derive EDF theoretically



Li, Chen, and Ko. *Phys. Rep.* **464**, 113 (2008)

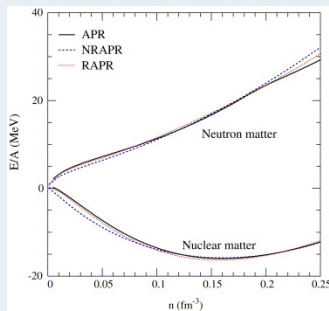
EDF as A Way to Connect Theories and Experiments

- Since EDFs are determined to reproduce properties of finite nuclei, EDF includes “information” of finite nuclei
eg. EoS properties around saturation density
- DFT calculation using such empirical EDFs can be used to connect theoretical calculations and experiments

Nuclear Structure and Neutron Star

- Nuclear Equation of State
 - Properties (ρ vs E) of infinite nuclear matter
 - One of inputs of calculation of NS properties
- Although nuclear EoS is an important input of NS calculation, infinite nuclear matter is fictitious system
- Study of atomic nuclei helps to understand nuclear matter
We can “check” whether EoS prediction is correct

Nuclear EoS and Symmetry Energies



$$\frac{E}{A}(\rho, \beta) = \frac{E}{A}(\rho, 0) + E_{\text{sym}}(\rho)\beta^2 + \dots$$

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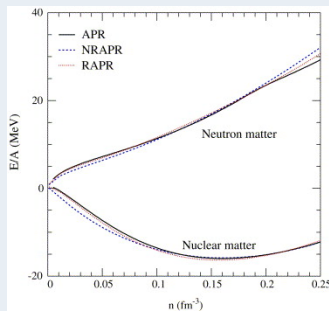
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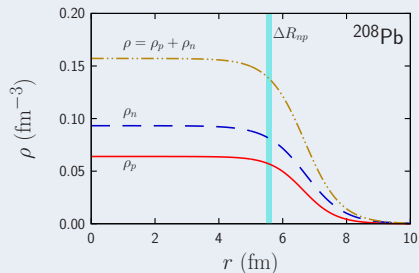
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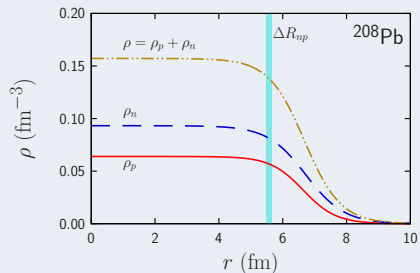
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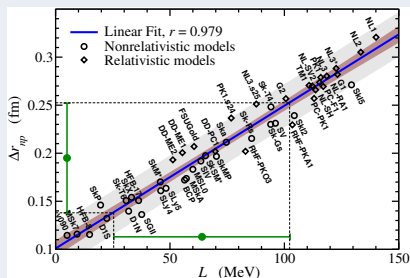
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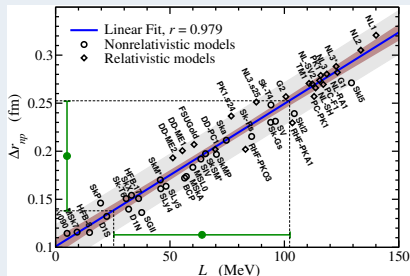


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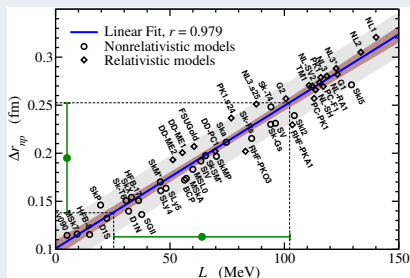


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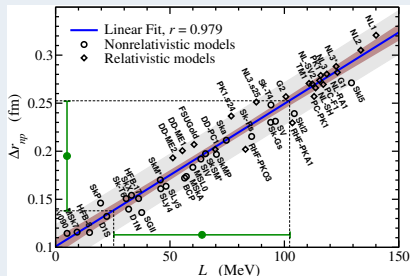
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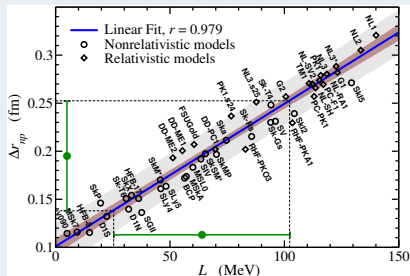
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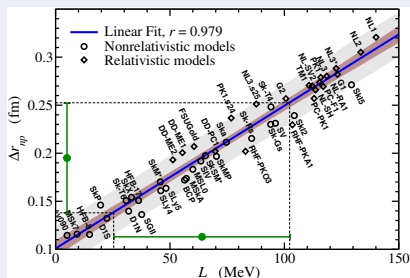
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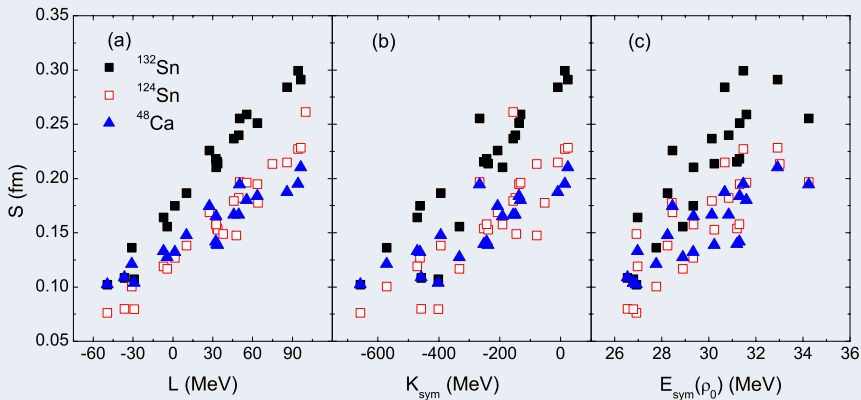
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How about Other Parameters?



- Correlations between J vs ΔR_{np} and K_{sym} vs ΔR_{np} are weak?

Chen, Ko, and Li. *Phys. Rev. C* **72**, 064309 (2005)

How Can ΔR_{np} Measured?

Hadron Scat. Matter density distribution $\rho = \rho_p + \rho_n, \rho_n$ etc

Pros Direct measurement of ρ_τ

Cons Model dependent (interaction)

Electron Scat. Charge form factor $F_{\text{ch}} = \tilde{\rho}_{\text{ch}}$

Pros Direct measurement of ρ_{ch} , no theo. ambiguity

Cons? $\rho_{\text{ch}} \rightarrow \rho_p$ and ρ_n (see next slide)

Laser spec. Charge radius R_{ch}

Pros High precision, no theo. ambiguity

Cons? Only relative values are measured

Magnetic Scat. Magnetic form factor F_{M}

Pros No theo. ambiguity

Cons Only sensitive to valence nucleons

PV Scat. Weak form factor F_{wk} or weak radius R_{wk} ?

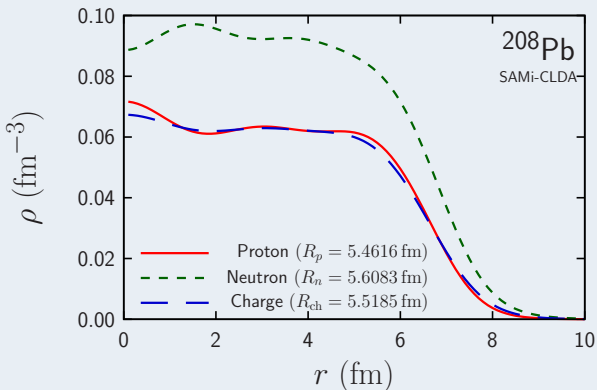
Pros Accesible to ρ_n , no theo. ambiguity?

Cons Difficult measurement (long beam time)

Proton Density and Charge Density

- Nucleons have “finite” charge/weak densities (radii)
- ρ_τ is distribution of “nucleon CoM”,
i.e., nucleons are assumed to be point particles
- ρ_{ch} and ρ_{wk} include finite-size effects of nucleons

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$$R_{\text{wk}}^2 = \frac{Z Q_{\text{wkp}}}{Z Q_{\text{wkp}} + N Q_{\text{wkn}}} (R_p^2 + r_{\text{wkp}}^2) + \frac{N Q_{\text{wkn}}}{Z Q_{\text{wkp}} + N Q_{\text{wkn}}} (R_n^2 + r_{\text{wkn}}^2) + R_{\text{wkSO}}^2$$

$r_{\text{E}\tau}$: Nucleon charge radius, $r_{\text{wk}\tau}$: Nucleon weak radius, $Q_{\text{wkp}} \approx 0.0710$, $Q_{\text{wkn}} \approx -0.9902$

- $\rho_{\text{ch}} \rightarrow \rho_p$ and ρ_n is not easy
- r_{Ep} is well known (despite proton radius puzzle), r_{En}^2 is known indirectly
 $\rightarrow R_p$ can be extract from R_{ch}

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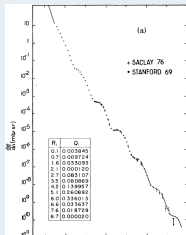
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Measurements of ρ_{ch} , R_{ch} , R_{wk}

ρ_{ch} Many stable nuclei have been measured by 1980s
 Unstable nuclei will be (planned to be) measured at RIKEN and GSI
 $d\sigma/d\Omega \sim F_{\text{ch}}$ for wide range of q is measured

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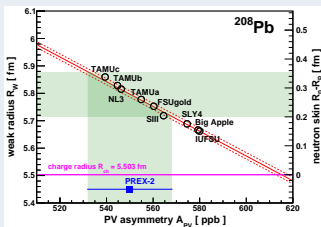
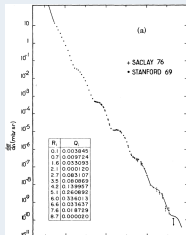
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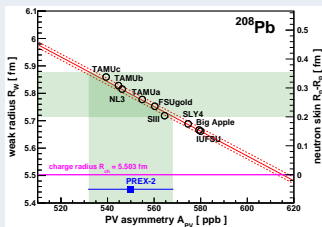
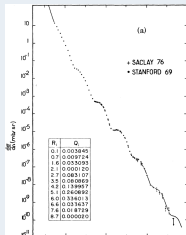
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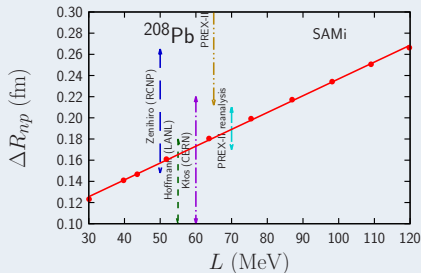
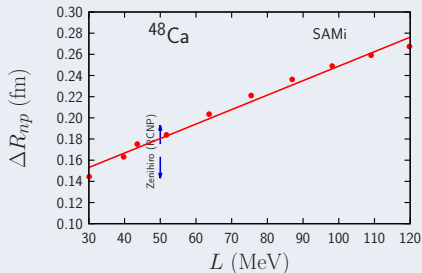


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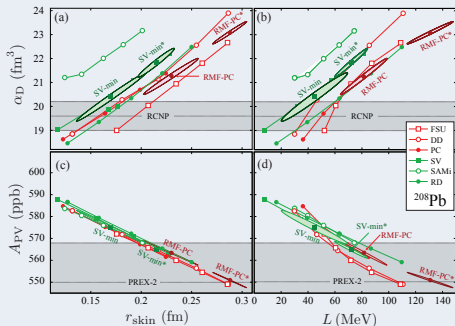
Ca 0.168 ± 0.025 fm (41 ± 18 MeV RCNP)

Pb 0.140 ± 0.040 fm (40 ± 25 MeV LANL), 0.160 ± 0.060 fm (52 ± 38 MeV CERN)
 $0.211^{+0.054}_{-0.063}$ fm (84 ± 40 MeV RCNP), 0.283 ± 0.071 fm (129 ± 45 MeV PREX-II)

- PREX-II ΔR_{np} (and L) is too large compared to hadron scat. one, although some data are overlapped a little ($0.21 < \Delta R_{np} < 0.22$ fm)
- Effect of Coulomb to L - ΔR_{np}
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Naito, Colò, Liang, Roca-Maza, and Sagawa. *To Be Submitted*

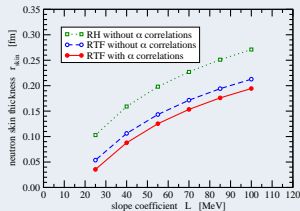
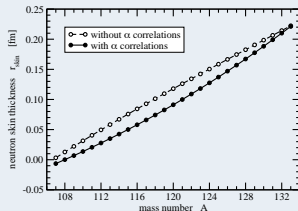
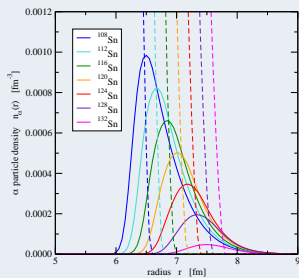
Recent Analysis on PREX-II



- Refitted functionals with different J (DD, PC, RD, SV), A_{PV} and α_D are re-analyzed
- Obtained results: $\Delta R_{np} = 0.19 \pm 0.02$ fm, $L = 54 \pm 8$ MeV
 → compatible to previous results

Reinhard, Roca-Maza, and Nazarewicz. arXiv:2105.15050 [nucl-th]

Another Ambiguity?— α -Particle Formation at Surface?



- α particle forms at surface $\rightarrow \Delta R_{np}$ becomes smaller
- Experimentally, it was confirmed in Sn isotopes (RCNP)

Typel. *Phys. Rev. C* **89**, 064321 (2014)

Tanaka *et al. Science* **371**, 260 (2021)

Another Proxy to Measure R_n ?

- Kurasawa and Suzuki proposed that $Q_{\text{ch}}^4 = \int \rho_{\text{ch}}(r) r^4 dr$ includes R_n

$$Q_{\text{ch}}^4 = Q_p^4 + \frac{10}{3} \left(r_{\text{Ep}}^2 R_2^p + \frac{N}{Z} r_{\text{En}}^2 R_2^n \right) + q_{\text{Ep}}^4 + \frac{N}{Z} q_{\text{En}}^4 + Q_{\text{chSO}}^4$$

Problem is that Q_p^4 cannot be determined experimentally

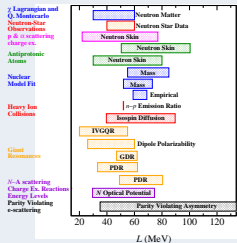
- Kurasawa, Suda, and Suzuki proposed that Q_{ch}^4 and R_n^2 has strong correlation and Q_{ch}^4 can be measured via electron scattering
→ R_n can be extracted from electron scattering
- We found that such correlation collapses once pairing is considered
- Extracting R_n from electron scattering is still under discussion

Kurasawa and Suzuki. *Prog. Theor. Exp. Phys.* **2019**, 113D01 (2019)

Kurawasa, Suda, and Suzuki. *Prog. Theor. Exp. Phys.* **2021**, 013D02 (2021)

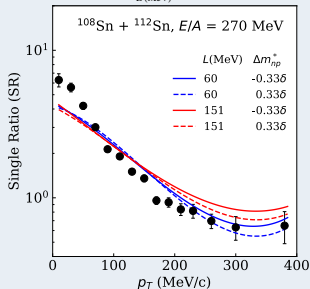
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Other Experimental Progress



Bobler *et al.* PRL 105 (2010) 041102
 and Gandolfi *et al.* PRCNS (2012) 032801 (R)
 Steiner *et al.* Astrophys. J. 722 (2010) 33
 Liu-Wen Chen *et al.* PRC 82 (2010) 024311
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 Warda *et al.* PRC 80 (2009) 024316
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 Danielewicz NPA 727 (2003) 233
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 Tsang *et al.* PRL 103 (2009) 122701
 Roca-Maza *et al.* PRC 87 (2013) 034304
 Roca-Maza *et al.* PRC (2013), in press
 Triguero *et al.* PRC 77 (2008) 061304(R)
 Klimkiewicz *et al.* PRC 76 (2007) 051603(R)
 Carbone *et al.* PRC 81 (2010) 041301(R)
 Xu *et al.* PRC 82 (2010) 054607
 PREX Collab. PRL 108 112502 (2012)

- Properties of excited states (isovector giant quadrupole resonance) and response to electric field (dipole polarizability) are also used to constrain L



- π^\pm production on Sn + Sn collision is measured
- Ratio of momentum spectra of π^+ and π^- depends on L and $\Delta m_{np}^*/\beta$ (Calc: Quantum Molecular Dynamics)
- Estimated value: $42 < L < 117$ MeV

Viñas, Centelles, Roca-Maza, and Warda. *Eur. Phys. J. A* **50**, 27 (2014)

Estee *et al.* ($S\pi$ RIT Collab.) *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **126**, 162701 (2021)

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