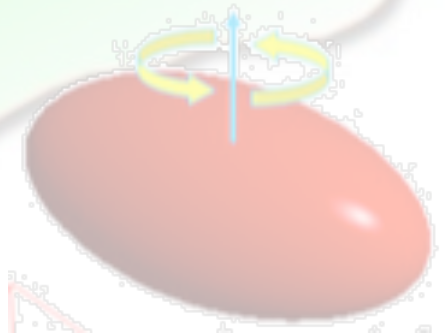
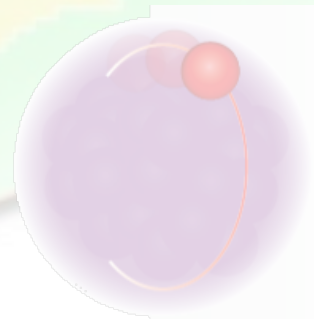
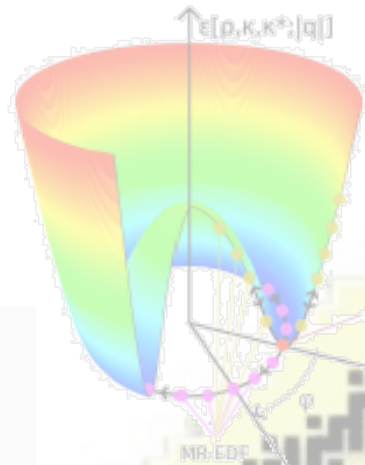
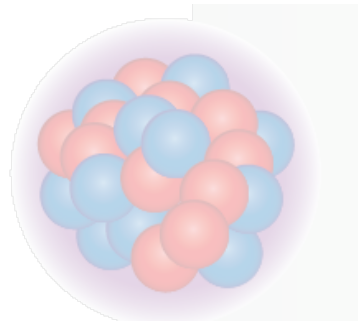


Review of mean-field theory

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Complex and simple aspects of nuclei

generalities

General remarks

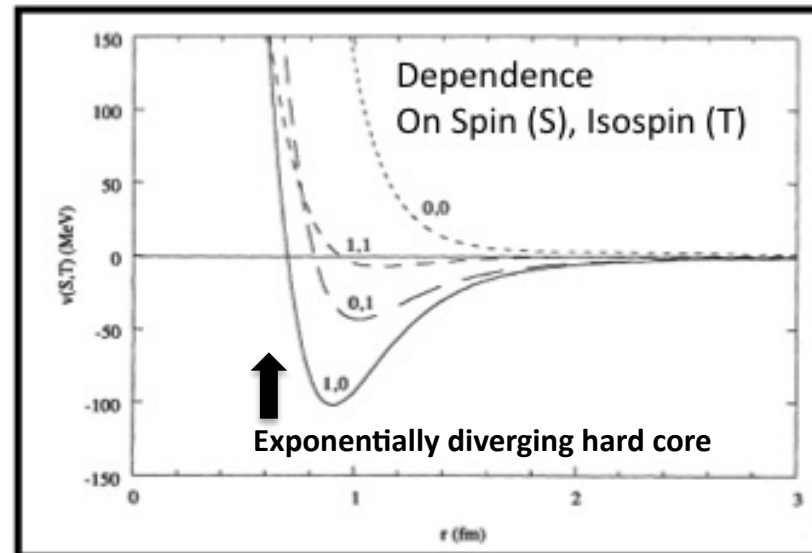
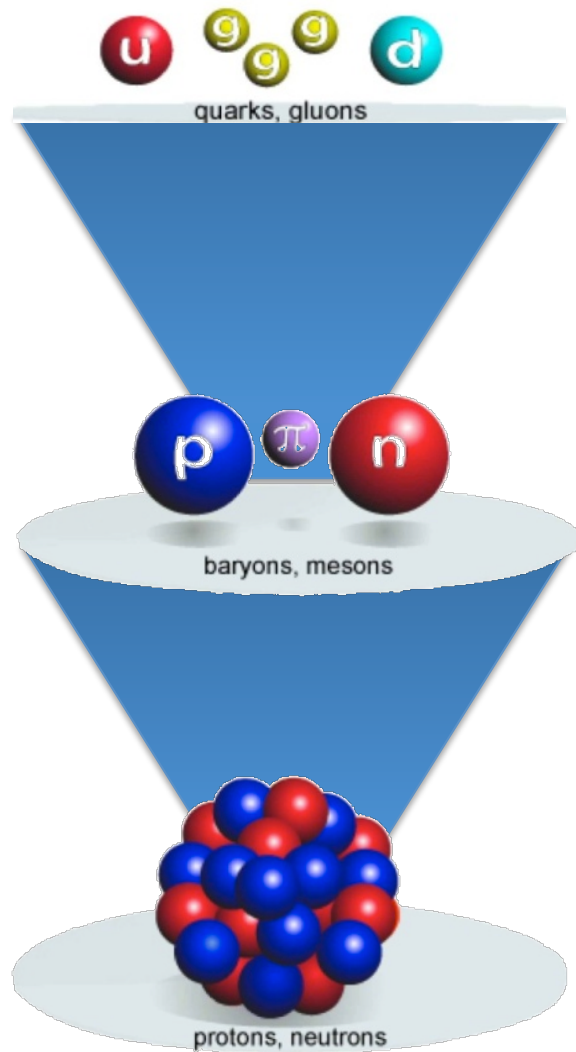
- Nucleons are made of quarks
- The energy to excite quarks degrees of freedom (DOF) is much higher than the energy to excite nucleon DOF

➔ Nucleons are considered as elementary (point-like) Particles (low energy nucl. Phys. Point of view)

Nucleons are quantum interacting objects

$$\phi_{\text{nucleon}} \equiv \phi(\mathbf{r}, \sigma, \tau)$$

$\sigma = \uparrow, \downarrow$ spin
 $\tau = n, p$ isospin

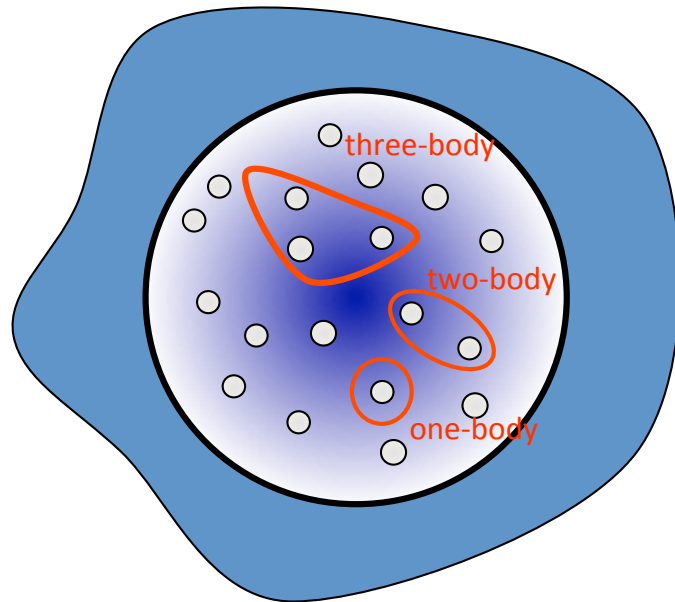


Wiringa, Rev. Mod. Phys. 1993

+ Coulomb field

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From one to many nucleons

For one nucleon:

$$\phi_{\text{nucleon}} \equiv \phi(\mathbf{r}, \sigma, \tau)$$

For a N nucleon system:

$$\Psi(r_1, \dots, r_{12}, \dots, r_{123}, \dots)$$

***spin, isospin omitted**

➔ [N! × size of nucleon space] DOF ...

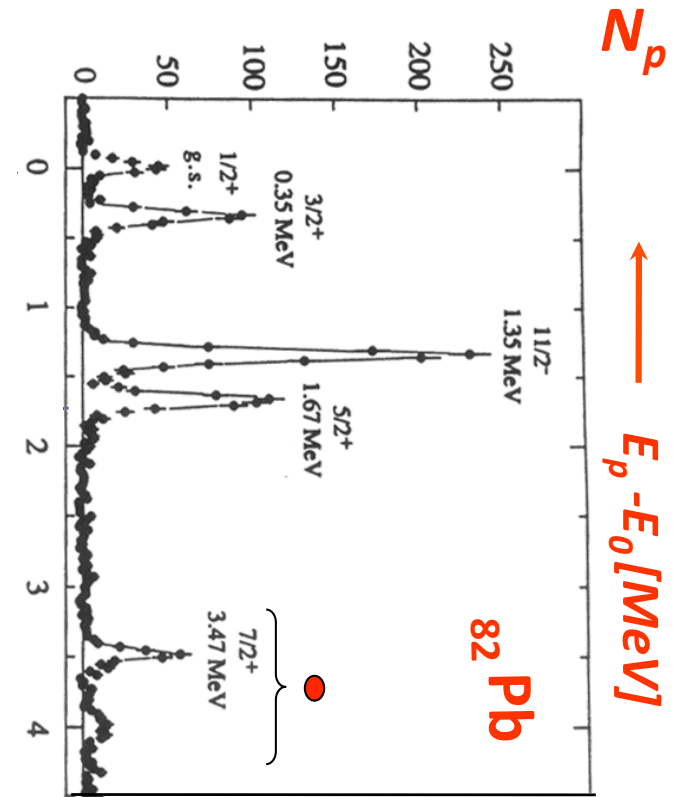
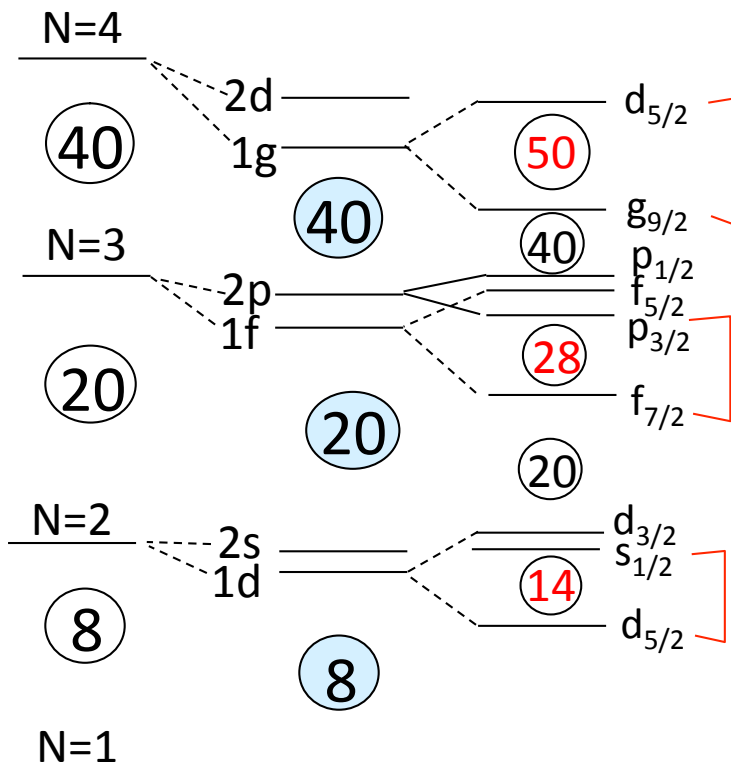
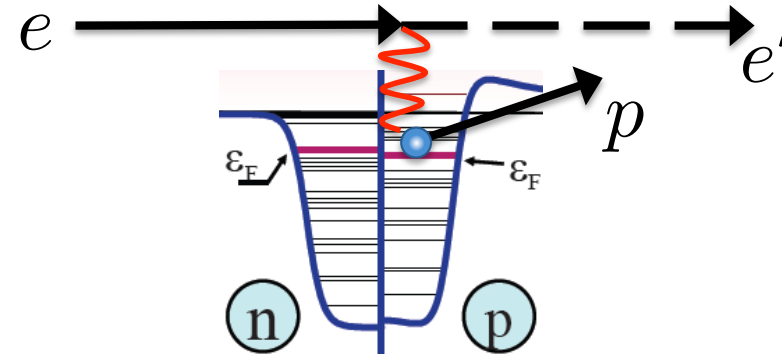
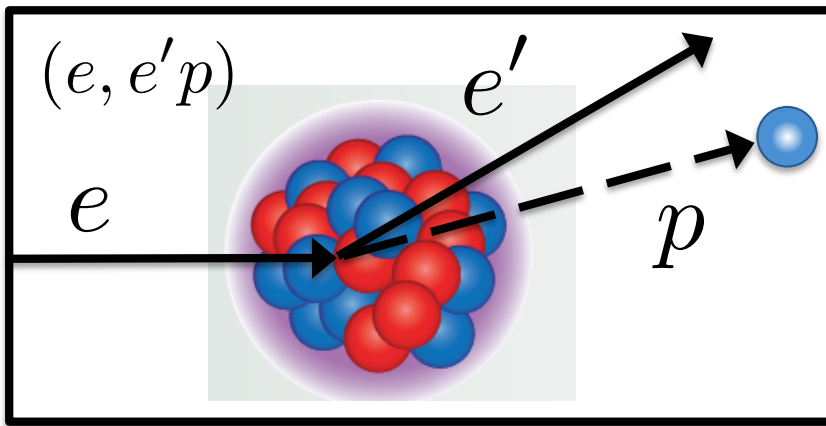
➔ Nuclei are among the most complex quantum mesoscopic systems

➔ Exact (ab-initio) description can be made only in rare cases.

(see T. Papenbrock lecture)

Complex and simple aspects of nuclei

Observation: emergence of single-particle aspects



(Courtesy O. Sorlin, EJC2009)

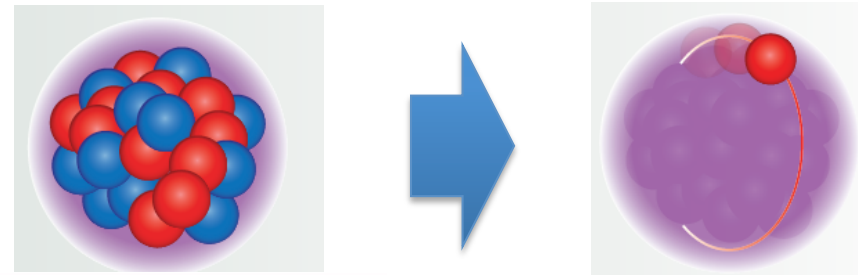
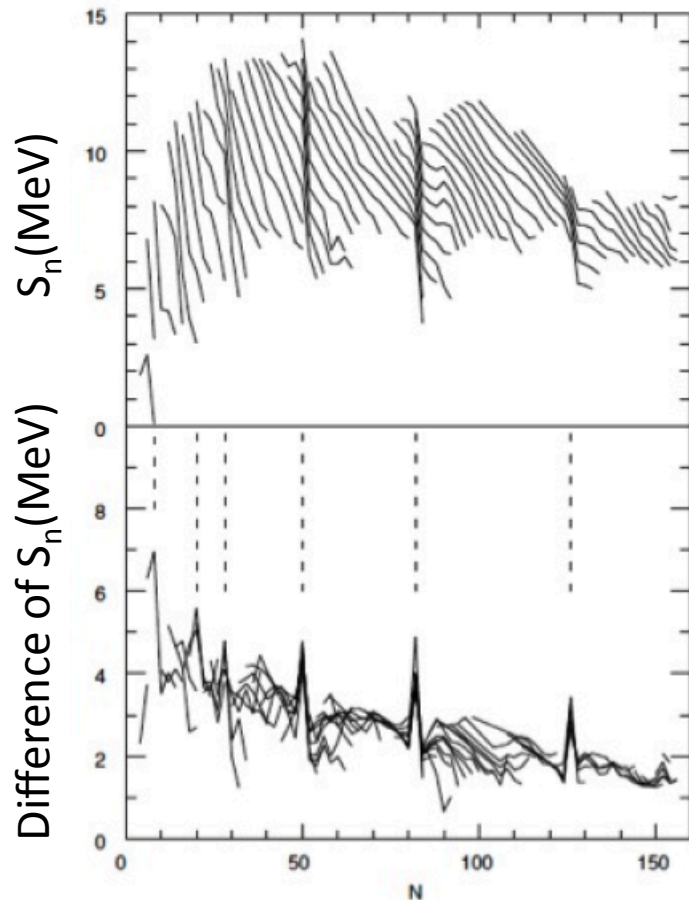
$$\text{H.O.} + L^2 + \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S}$$

Complex and simple aspects of nuclei

Observation: Separation energy, magic numbers,...

Separation energy: $S_n(A, Z) = B(A, Z) - B(A - 1, Z)$

Nucleons behaves like independent particles in a single-particle field !!!



$$\Psi(r_1, \dots, r_{12}, \dots, r_{123}, \dots)$$

$$\Psi = \mathcal{A}(\varphi_1(r_1), \dots, \varphi_N(r_N))$$

$$\left\{ \frac{\hat{\mathbf{p}}^2}{2m} + V(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) + f(\mathbf{r})\vec{l} \cdot \vec{s} \right\} |\varphi_\alpha\rangle = \varepsilon_\alpha |\varphi_\alpha\rangle$$

Example : Wood Saxon potential $V(r) = \frac{V_0}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{r-R_0}{a}\right)}$

Summary : first dilemma

Complexity

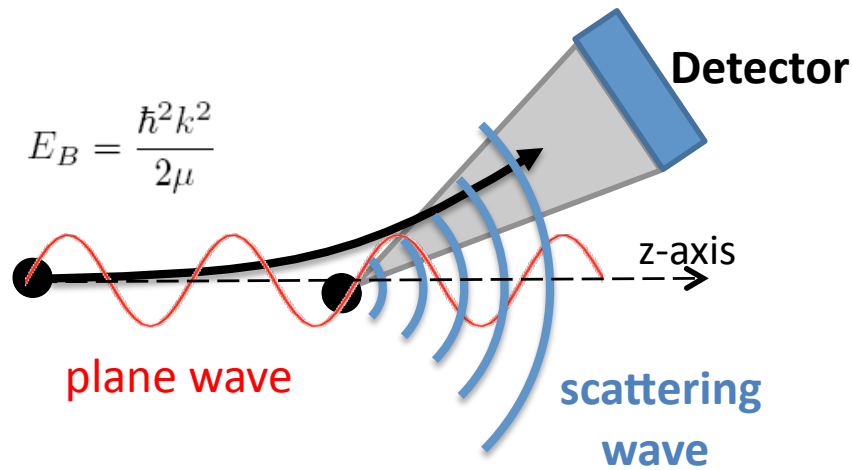
Simplicity

Nuclei are quantum mesoscopic objects composed of fermions interacting through a strong highly repulsive interaction at short range

Many aspects of nuclei can be fairly well understood assuming that nucleons behaves like independent particles in an external one-body field

Why the independent particle works:

Scattering theory, medium effects, ...



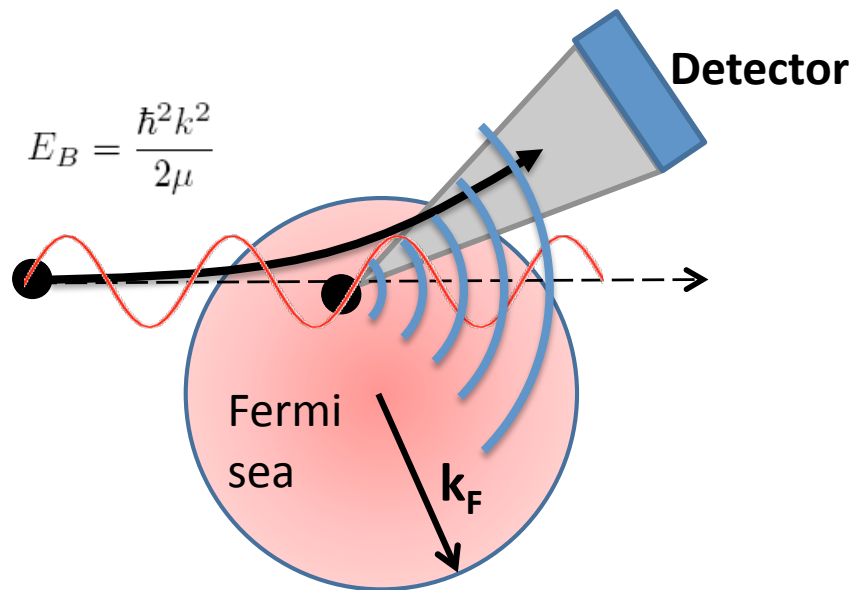
$$\Psi_{\text{scat}}(\mathbf{r}) \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow \infty} e^{ikz} + f(\theta, \varphi) \frac{e^{ikr}}{r}$$

$$\sigma_k(\theta, \varphi) = |f(\theta, \varphi)|^2$$

Spherical symmetric potential:

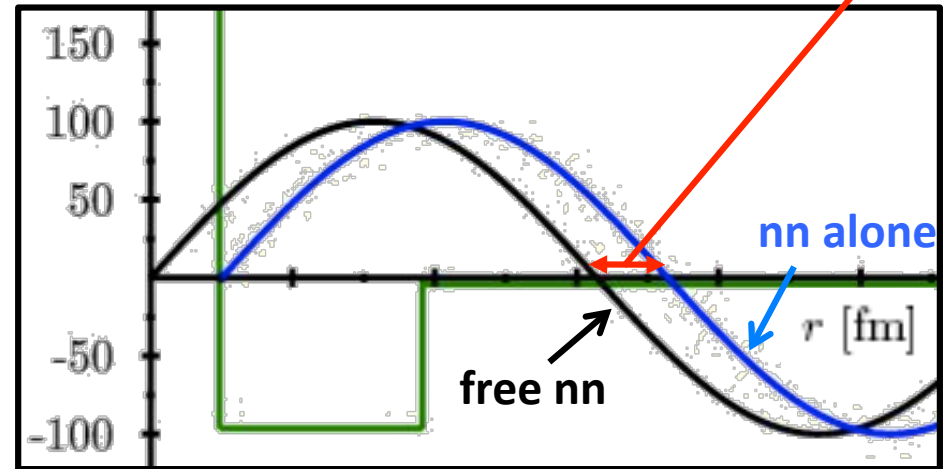
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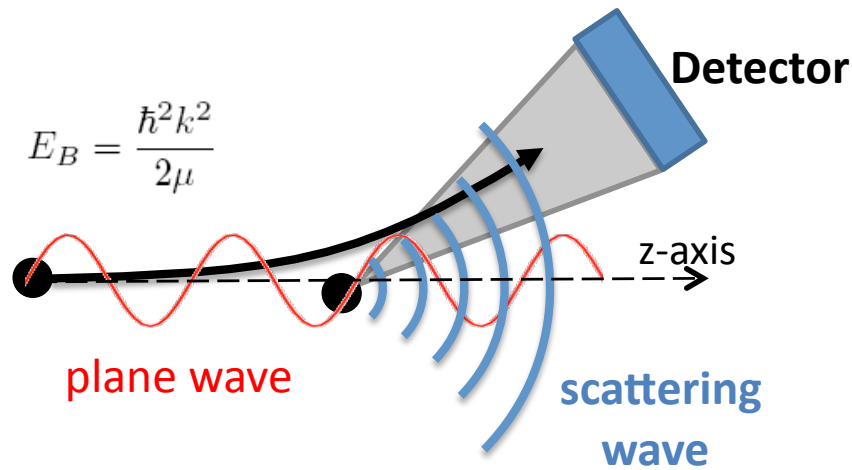
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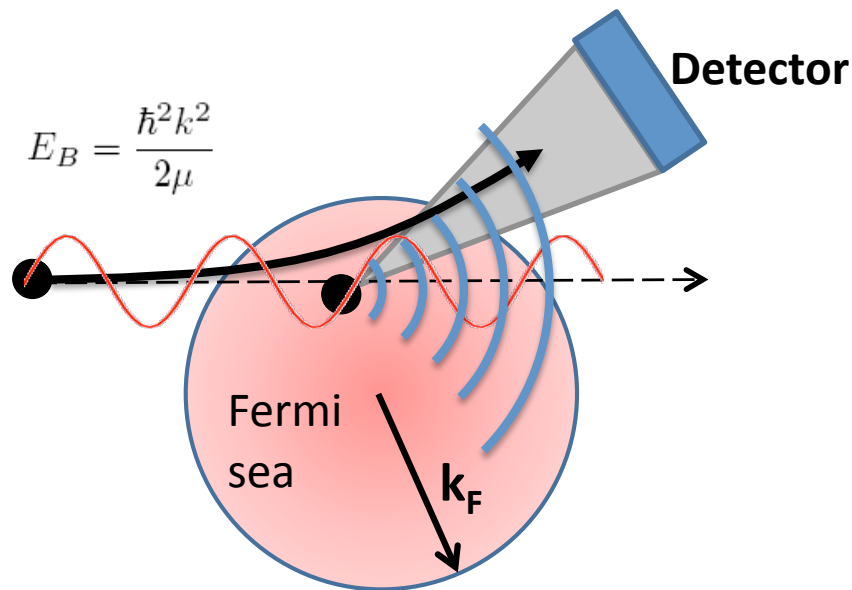
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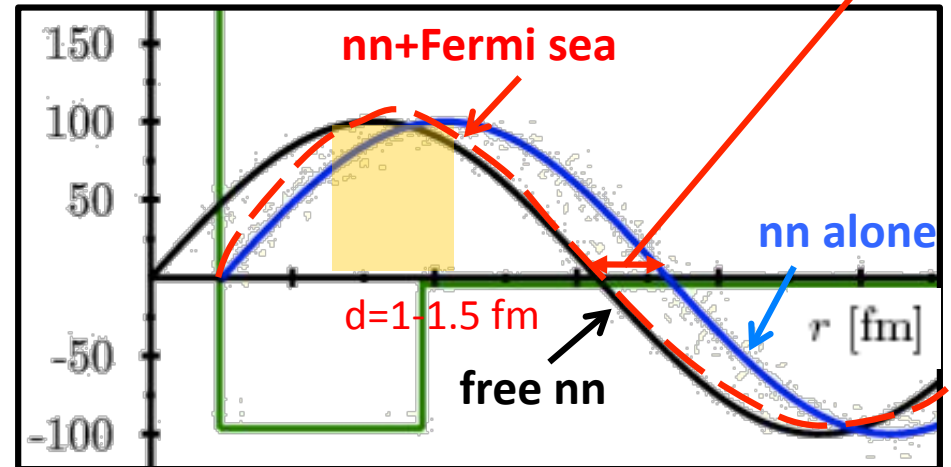
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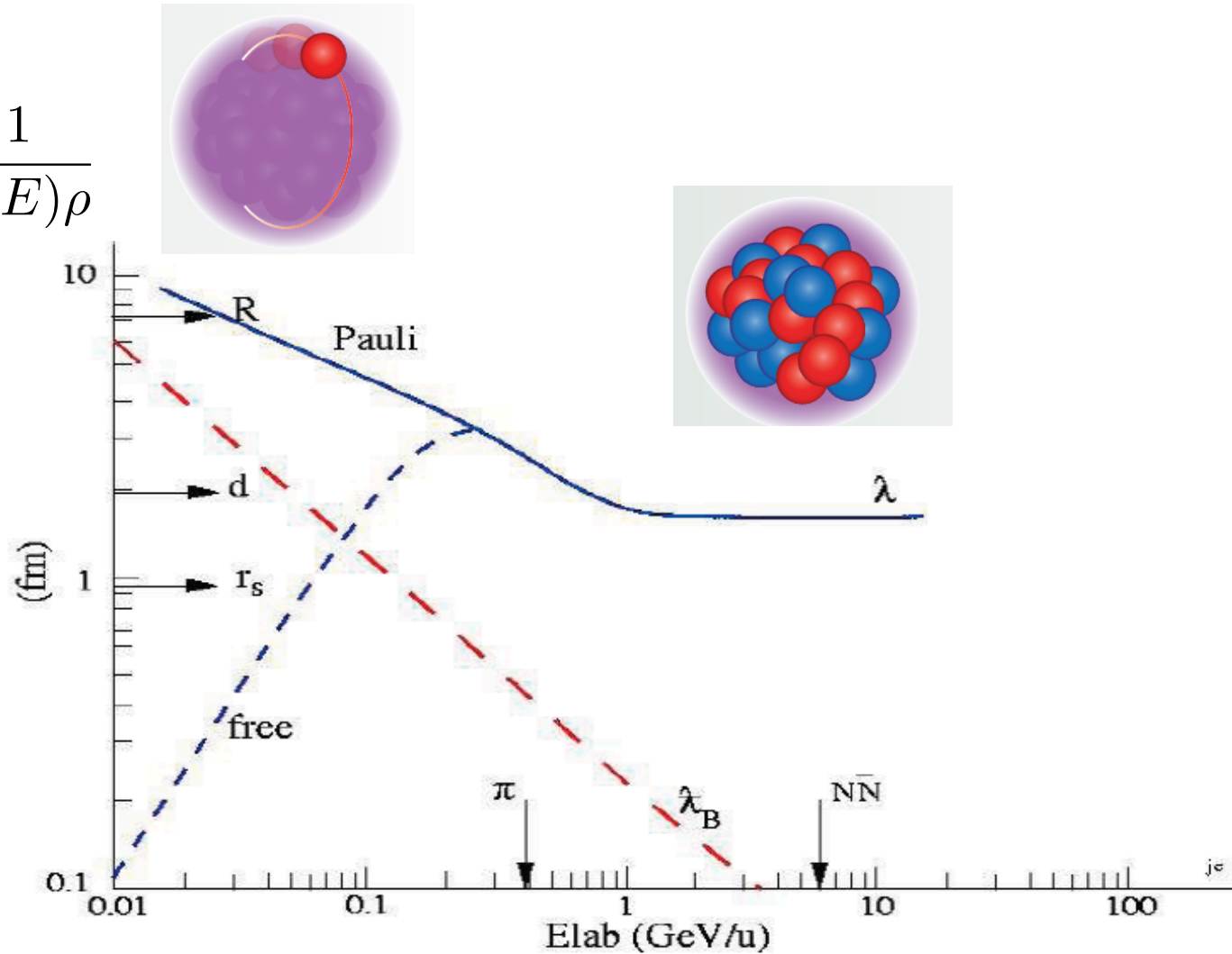
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Why the independent particle works:

In medium Mean-Free Path

λ Mean-free path

$$\lambda(E) \propto \frac{1}{\sigma(E)\rho}$$



The second dilemma: failure of the Hartree-Fock theory

The infinite nuclear matter case

Basic aspects of Hartree-Fock theory

① Start from \hat{H}

And assume that $\Psi = \mathcal{A}(\varphi_1(r_1), \dots, \varphi_N(r_N))$

② Minimize the action $\delta \left(\langle \Psi | \hat{H} | \Psi \rangle - E \langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle \right) = 0$

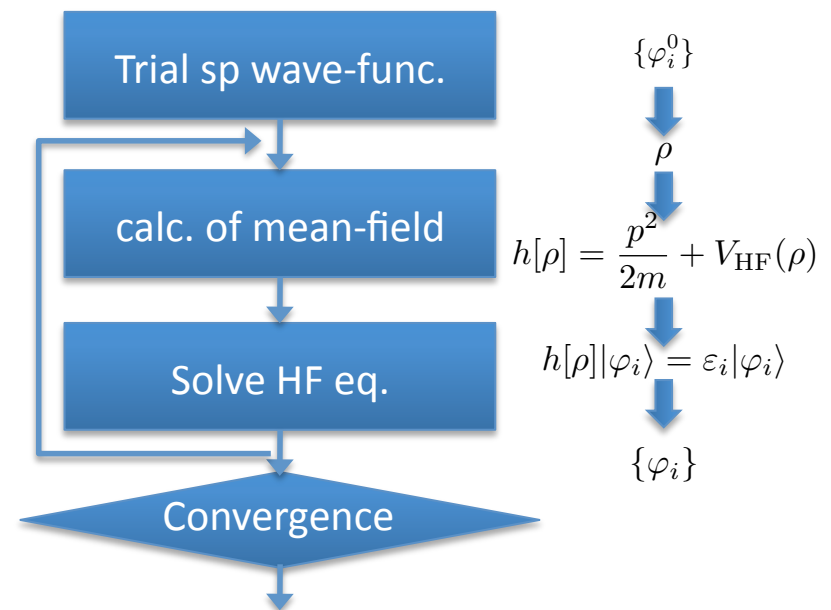
with respect to single-particle deg. of freedom.

➔ $h[\rho]|\varphi_i\rangle = \varepsilon_i|\varphi_i\rangle$

with $\rho = \sum_i |\varphi_i\rangle\langle\varphi_i|$

and $h[\rho] = \frac{\partial E}{\partial \rho}$

③ Solve the HF equation self-consistently

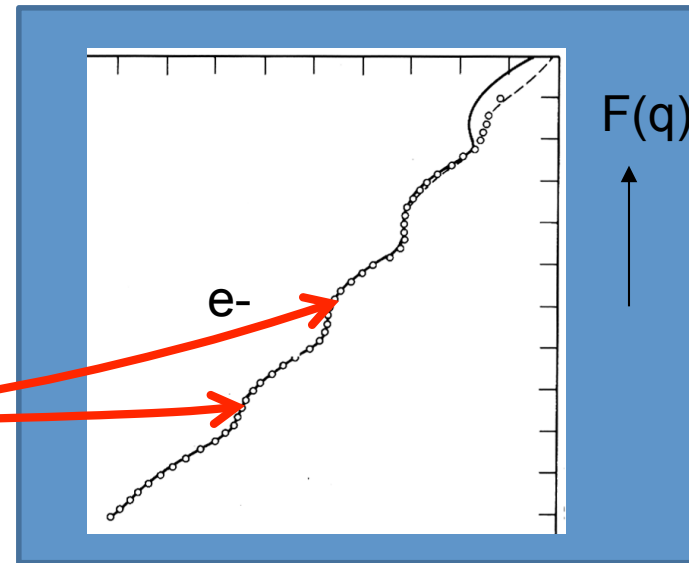
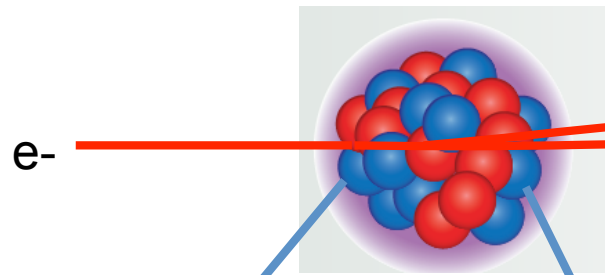


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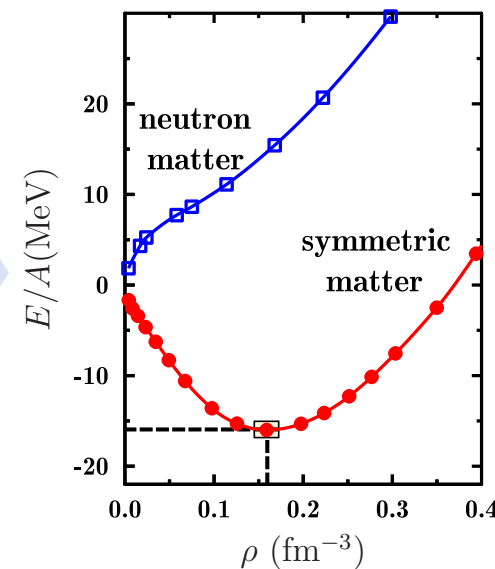
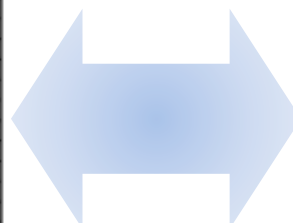
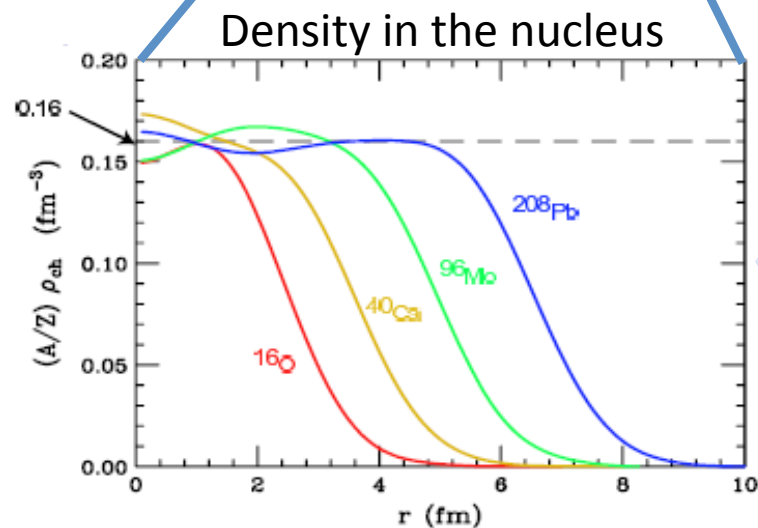
One-body density, Infinite nuclear matter, Saturation property

(e, e')

One-body charge density in nuclei

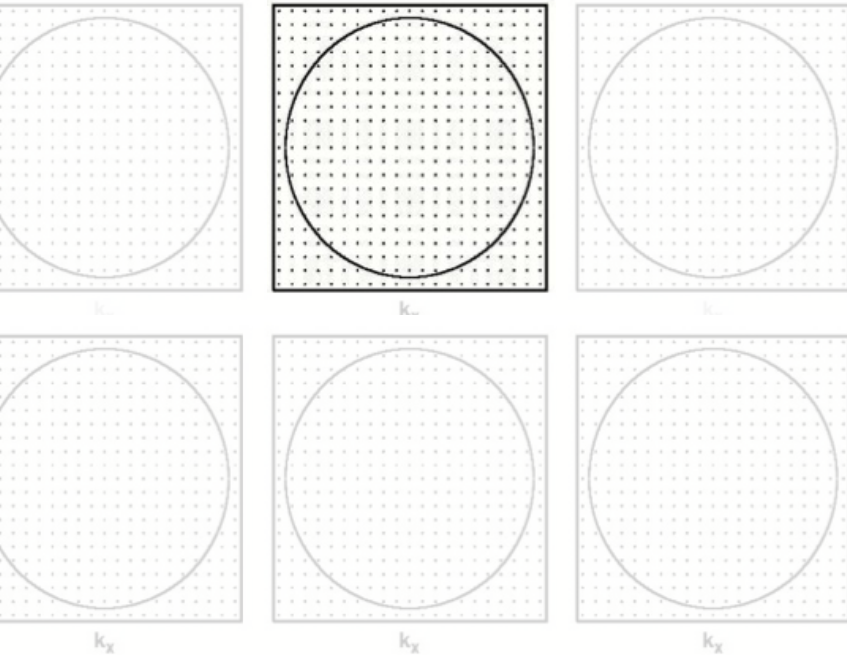


Large transferred momentum q provides shape of the central density distribution



The second dilemma: failure of the Hartree-Fock theory

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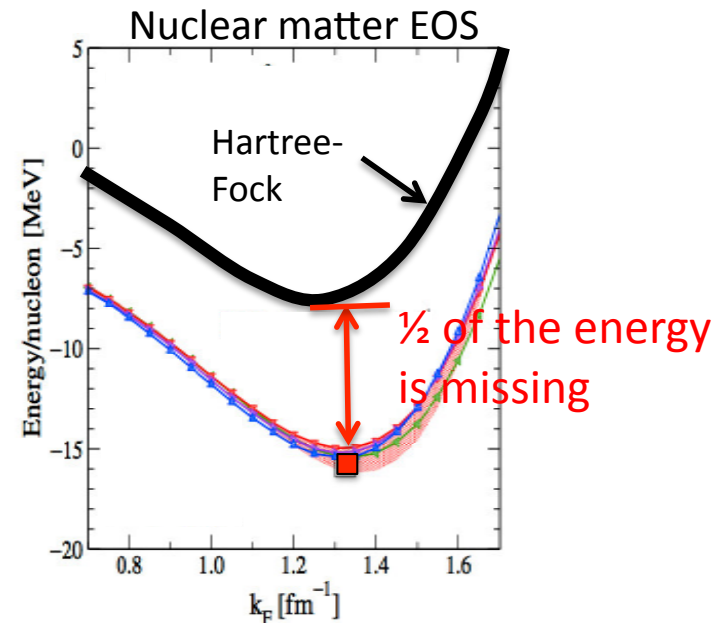
Single-particle state $|\mathbf{k}\sigma\tau\rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{r} | \mathbf{p} \rangle &= \frac{1}{V^{1/2}} e^{i\mathbf{p}\mathbf{r}/\hbar} \\ &= \frac{1}{V^{1/2}} e^{i(k_x x + k_y y + k_z z)} \end{aligned}$$

$$k_i = \frac{2\pi n_i}{L}, \quad i = x, y, z, \quad n_i = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

Density

$$\rho_{\sigma,\tau} = \frac{V}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{\mathbf{k}} d^3\mathbf{k} |\mathbf{k}\sigma\tau\rangle n_{\sigma\tau}(\mathbf{k}) \langle \mathbf{k}\sigma\tau|$$



Bogner, et al, NPA 763 (2005).

The second dilemma: failure of the Hartree-Fock theory

Second Dilemma

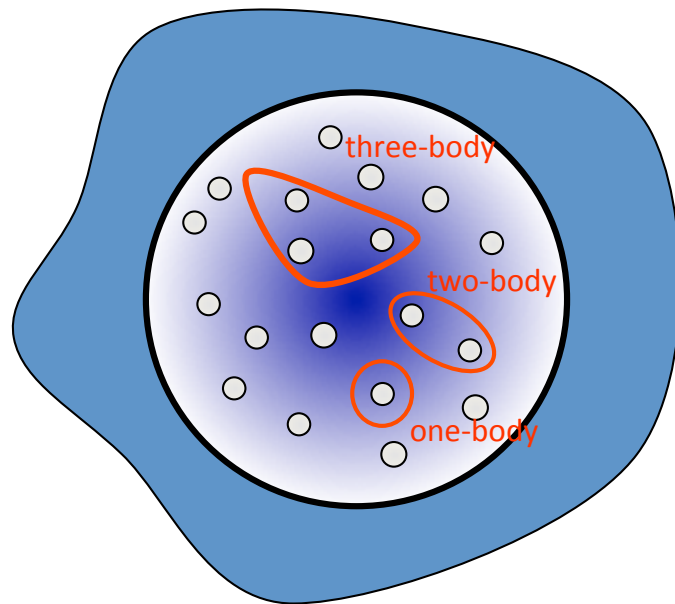
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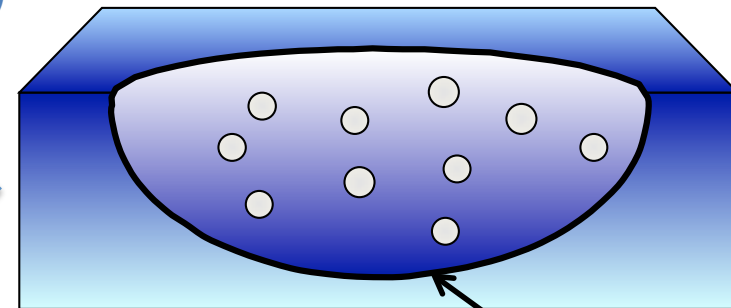
Complexity

The natural approach to map a many-boby problem into a one-body theory (HF) does not work in nuclear physics

→ The Energy Density Functional approach



Mean-field:
(DFT/EDF)



Self-consistent
Mean-field

Complex many-body states:

$$\Psi(r_1, \dots, r_{12}, \dots, r_{123}, \dots)$$

Independent particles or quasi-particle states
Parameters of the functional are directly adjusted on data
Link to underlying bare Hamiltonian is lost

Basic aspects of Functional approach to nuclear systems

EDF has taken different names:

Skyrme/Gogny Hartree-Fock,
Nuclear Density Functional Theory (DFT)
Energy Density Functional (EDF)
Relativistic Mean-Field ...

What is Density Functional Theory ?

In its simplest form in DFT, the exact ground state of an N-body problem can be replaced by the minimization of an energy functional of the local one-body density $\rho(r)$.
At the minimum, the energy and the density corresponds to the exact energy

$$\langle \Psi | \hat{H} | \Psi \rangle \longrightarrow \mathcal{E}[\rho(r)]$$

Hohenberg, Kohn, Phys. Rev. (1965)

Extensions:

- Introduction of auxiliary state $\Psi = \mathcal{A}(\varphi_1(r_1), \dots, \varphi_N(r_N))$

Kohn, Sham, Phys. Rev. (1965) $\rho(r) = \sum_i |\varphi_i(r)|^2$

$$\{\varphi_i\} \rightarrow \rho(r) \rightarrow \mathcal{E} \rightarrow U_{KS}(r) \rightarrow \{\varphi_i\} \dots$$

$$h[\rho]|\varphi_i\rangle = \varepsilon_i|\varphi_i\rangle \text{ with } h[\rho] = \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial \rho}$$

- GGA, Meta GGA, ...

A primer to DFT, Lectures notes in Physics 620 (2003)

$$\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}[\rho(r), \nabla \rho, \Delta \rho, \tau, \dots]$$

- DFT with pairing

Oliveira et al, PRL (1988)

$$\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}[\rho, \kappa \dots]$$

- Time-dependent DFT

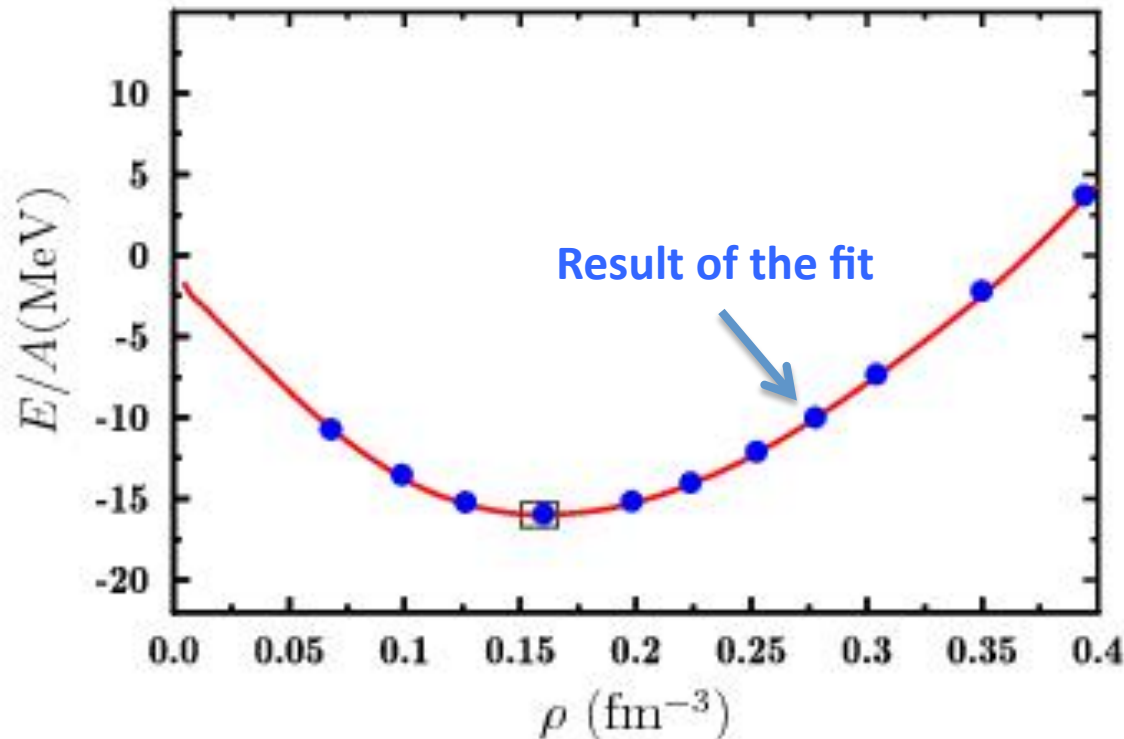
Runge, Gross PRL (1984)

(and much more ...)

Nuclear Energy Density Functional for pedestrian

Example 1 : empirical construction of EDF for nuclear matter

EDF from a simple perspective



Exercise : fit the curve with

$$E = \left\langle \frac{p^2}{2m} \right\rangle + U[\rho]$$

In nuclear matter:

$$\left\langle \frac{p^2}{2m} \right\rangle = \frac{3}{5} \left(\frac{3\pi^2}{2} \right)^{2/3} \rho^{5/3}$$

Fit with

$$U[\rho] = \sum_n c_n \rho^n$$

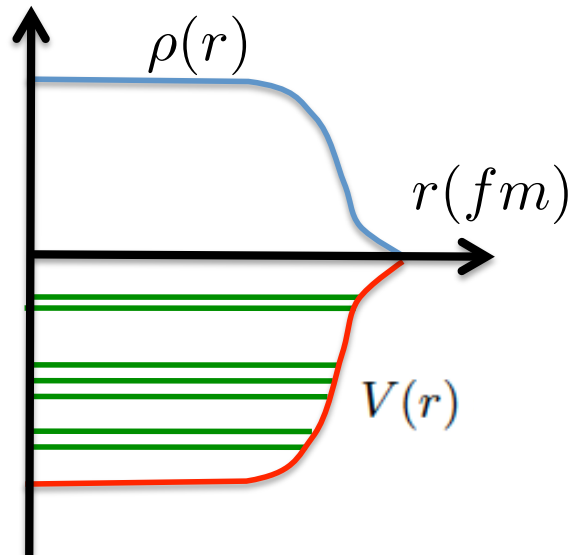
➡ An excellent fit is obtained

➡ Coefficients contains many-body physics

Nuclear Energy Density Functional for pedestrian

Example 1 : empirical construction of EDF for finite nuclei

Observation



$$\rho(r) = \frac{\rho_0}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{r-R_0}{a}\right)}$$

$$V(r) = \frac{V_0}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{r-R_0}{a}\right)}$$

$$V(r) = \frac{V_0}{\rho_0} \rho(r) = c_0 \rho(r)$$

$$\rho_0 \simeq 0.16 \text{ fm}^{-3} \quad V_0 \simeq 50 \text{ MeV}$$

$$c_0 \simeq 300 \text{ MeV} \cdot \text{fm}^{-3}$$

From potential to energy:

$$V(r) \propto c_0 \rho(r) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathcal{E}(r) \propto \frac{1}{2} c_0 \int \rho^2(r) dr$$

Improving the functional:

Spin-orbit

$$V_{\text{S.O.}} \propto l \cdot s \nabla V(r) \\ = c_0 l \cdot s \nabla \rho(r)$$

Introducing the effective interaction

Coulomb, ...

$$v(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2) = c_0 \delta(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2) \quad \Rightarrow \quad U_{\text{H}}(\mathbf{r}) = c_0 \int d\mathbf{r}' \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') \rho(\mathbf{r}') = c_0 \rho(\mathbf{r})$$

Nuclear Energy Density Functional based on effective interaction

Illustration with the Skyrme Functional

Vautherin, Brink, PRC (1972)

$$\begin{aligned} v(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2) &= t_0 (1 + x_0 \hat{P}_\sigma) \delta(\mathbf{r}) && \text{central term} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} t_1 (1 + x_1 \hat{P}_\sigma) [\mathbf{P}'^2 \delta(\mathbf{r}) + \delta(\mathbf{r}) \mathbf{P}^2] \\ &+ t_2 (1 + x_2 \hat{P}_\sigma) \mathbf{P}' \cdot \delta(\mathbf{r}) \mathbf{P} && \text{non local terms} \\ &+ iW_0 \sigma \cdot [\mathbf{P}' \times \delta(\mathbf{r}) \mathbf{P}] && \text{spin orbit term} \\ &+ \frac{1}{6} t_3 (1 + x_3 \hat{P}_\sigma) \rho^\alpha(\mathbf{R}) \delta(\mathbf{r}) && \text{density dependent term} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\mathcal{E} = \langle \Psi | H(\rho) | \Psi \rangle = \int \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{r}) d^3\mathbf{r}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H} &= \mathcal{K} + \mathcal{H}_0 + \mathcal{H}_3 + \mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} \\ &+ \mathcal{H}_{\text{fin}} + \mathcal{H}_{\text{so}} + \mathcal{H}_{\text{sg}} + \mathcal{H}_{\text{Coul}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_0 = \frac{1}{4} t_0 [(2 + x_0) \rho^2 - (2x_0 + 1)(\rho_p^2 + \rho_n^2)]$$

$$\mathcal{H}_3 = \frac{1}{24} t_3 \rho^\alpha [(2 + x_3) \rho^2 - (2x_3 + 1)(\rho_p^2 + \rho_n^2)]$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} &= \frac{1}{8} [t_1(2 + x_1) + t_2(2 + x_2)] \tau \rho \\ &+ \frac{1}{8} [t_2(2x_2 + 1) - t_1(2x_2 + 1)] (\tau_p \rho_p + \tau_n \rho_n)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H}_{\text{fin}} &= \frac{1}{32} [3t_1(2 + x_1) - t_2(2 + x_2)] (\nabla \rho)^2 \\ &- \frac{1}{32} [3t_1(2x_1 + 1) + t_2(2x_2 + 1)] [(\nabla \rho_p)^2 + (\nabla \rho_n)^2]\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{so}} = \frac{1}{2} W_0 [\mathbf{J} \cdot \nabla \rho + \mathbf{J}_p \cdot \nabla \rho_p + \mathbf{J}_n \cdot \nabla \rho_n]$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{sg}} = -\frac{1}{16} (t_1 x_1 + t_2 x_2) \mathbf{J}^2 + \frac{1}{16} (t_1 - t_2) [\mathbf{J}_p^2 + \mathbf{J}_n^2]$$

Functional of $\rho, \rho_n, \rho_p, \tau, \tau_n, \tau_p, \mathbf{J}, \dots$

Around 10-14 parameters to be adjusted

Nuclear Energy Density Functional based on effective interaction

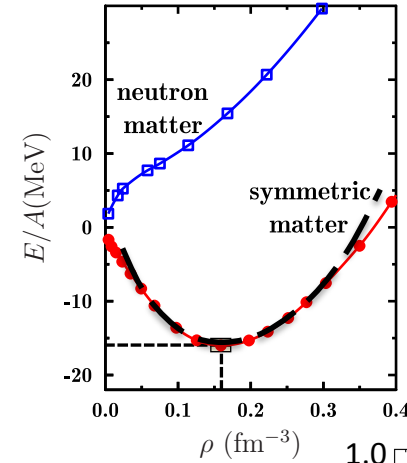
Constraining the functional

Vautherin, Brink, PRC (1972)

See for instance, Meyer EJC1997

Infinite nuclear matter and Nuclear Masses

$$\begin{aligned}
 v(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2) &= t_0 (1 + x_0 \hat{P}_\sigma) \delta(\mathbf{r}) \\
 &+ \frac{1}{2} t_1 (1 + x_1 \hat{P}_\sigma) [\mathbf{P}'^2 \delta(\mathbf{r}) + \delta(\mathbf{r}) \mathbf{P}^2] \\
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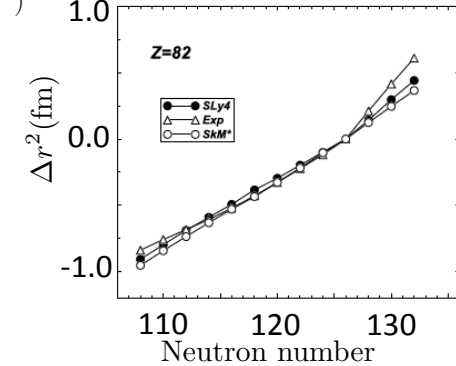
$$E_0, \left. \frac{\partial E}{\partial \rho} \right|_{\rho_0}, \left. \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial \rho^2} \right|_{\rho_0}$$

The ρ^α term
Is a trick to get
the curvature right!

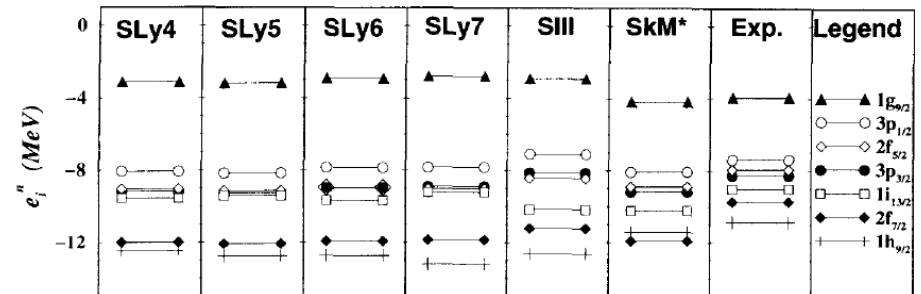
Tensor interaction

$$\begin{aligned}
 v^t(\mathbf{r}) &= \frac{1}{2} t_e \{ [3(\sigma_1 \cdot \mathbf{k}')(\sigma_2 \cdot \mathbf{k}') - (\sigma_1 \cdot \sigma_2) \mathbf{k}'^2] \delta(\mathbf{r}) \\
 &+ \delta(\mathbf{r}) [3(\sigma_1 \cdot \mathbf{k})(\sigma_2 \cdot \mathbf{k}) - (\sigma_1 \cdot \sigma_2) \mathbf{k}^2] \} \\
 &+ t_o [3(\sigma_1 \cdot \mathbf{k}') \delta(\mathbf{r})(\sigma_2 \cdot \mathbf{k}) - (\sigma_1 \cdot \sigma_2) \mathbf{k}' \cdot \delta(\mathbf{r}) \mathbf{k}].
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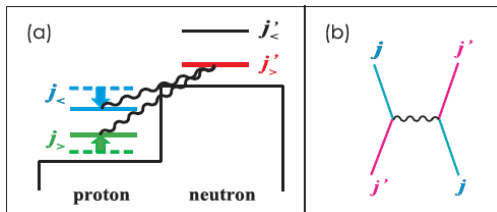
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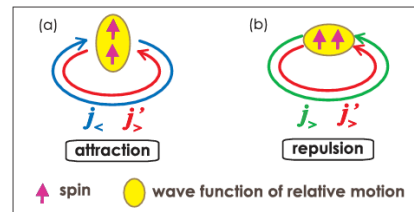
Shell effect



Chabanat et al, NPA (1998)



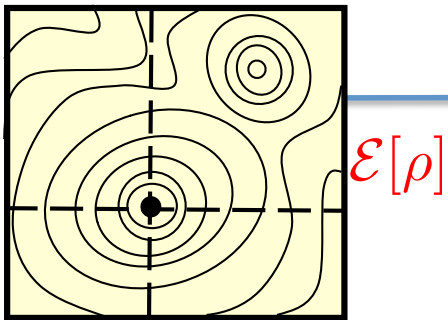
Lesinski et al, PRC76 (2007)



Otsuka et al, PRL95 (2005)

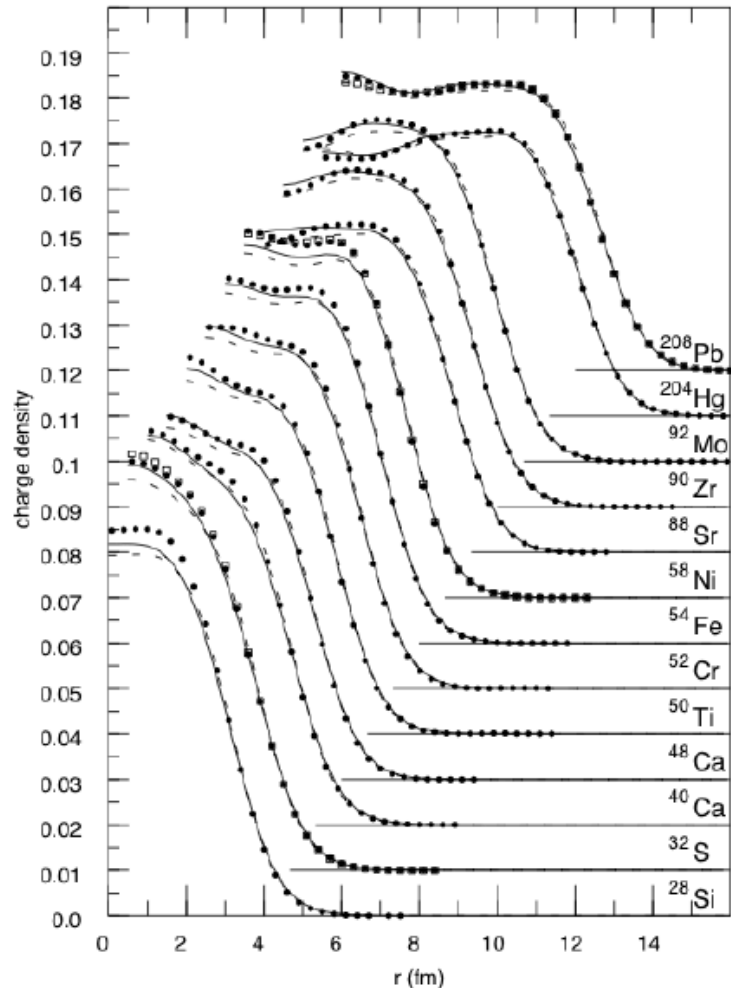
Energy Density Functional based on effective interaction

Success



Density Functional theory
Are firstly optimal for:
(i) Ground state energy
(ii) Local one-body density

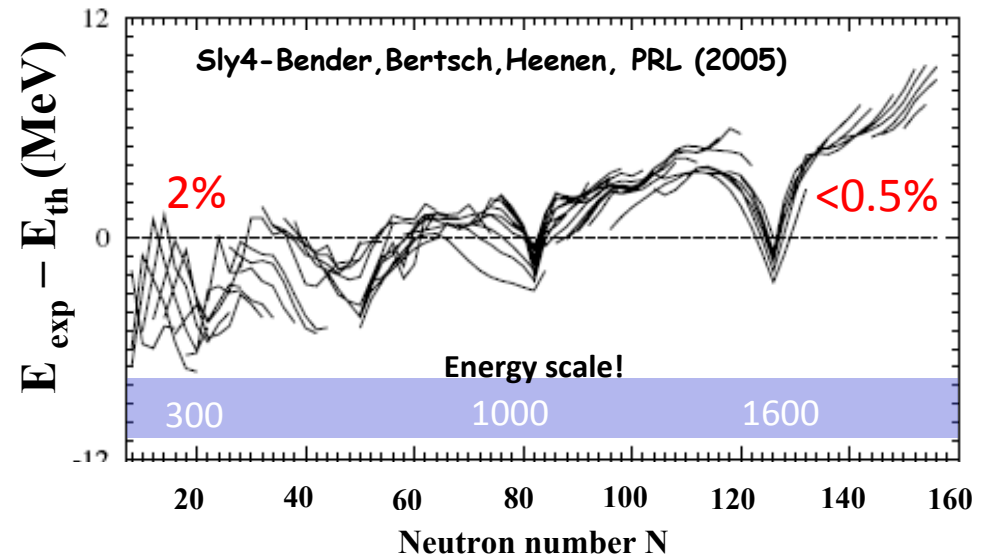
Charge density



(From A. Brown)

And it does it very well...

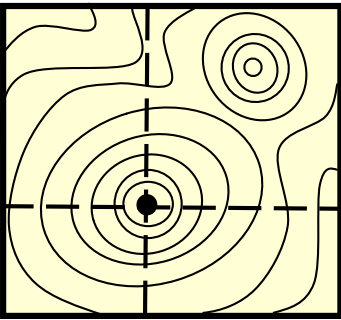
Ground state energy



➔ Still some local fluctuations

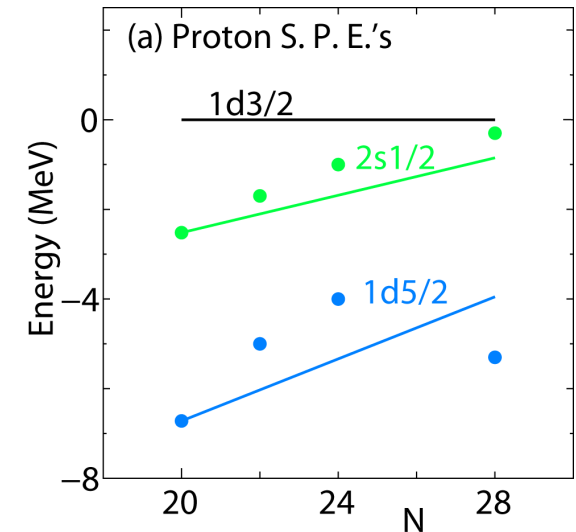
➔ We ask EDF much more: shapes, spectroscopy, s.p. shell effects...

Fingerprints of spontaneous symmetry breaking

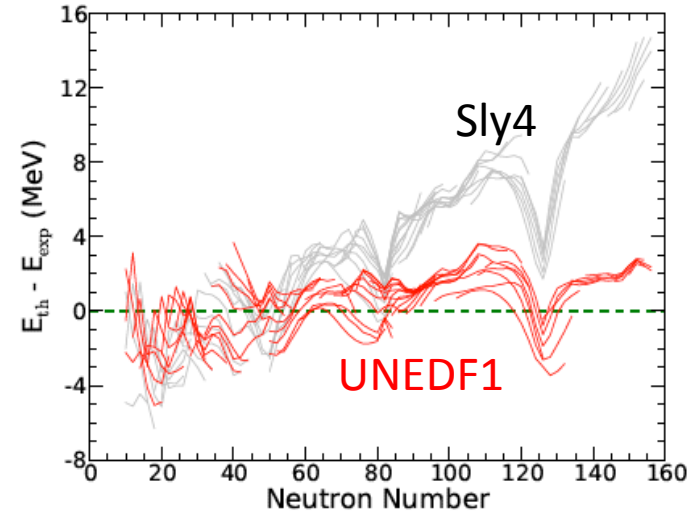


To improve the functional one can:

- Add new terms: better isospin dependence, tensor,...)
- Make better fit on precise containing new information



Otsuka et al., PRL 95 (2005)



N. Schunck et al, nuc-lth:1107.5005

- Use symmetry breaking in Functional theory

Let us restart from the nuclear Hamiltonian

$$H = \sum_{ij} \langle i|T|j \rangle a_i^+ a_j + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ijkl} \langle ij|v_{12}|lk \rangle a_i^+ a_j^+ a_l a_k$$

A symmetry is conserved if the Hamiltonian commutes with the generator of the group of Transformation associated with this symmetry: $[H, G] = 0$

Some symmetries that are respected by the nuclear Hamiltonian:

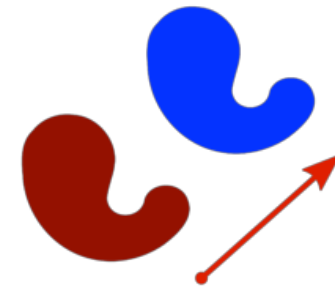
■ Translational invariance $[H, P_{\text{c.m.}}] = 0$

■ Rotational invariance $[H, J] = 0$

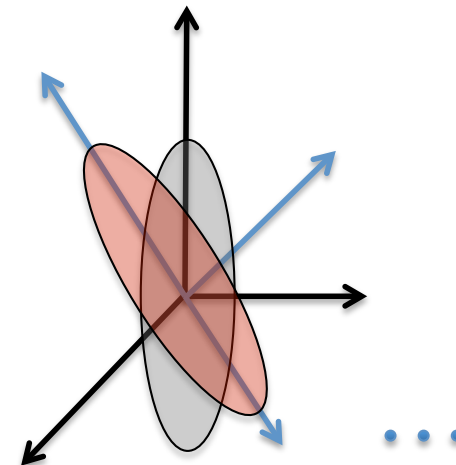
■ Particle number $[H, N] = 0$

■ Parity $[H, \pi] = 0$

■ ...

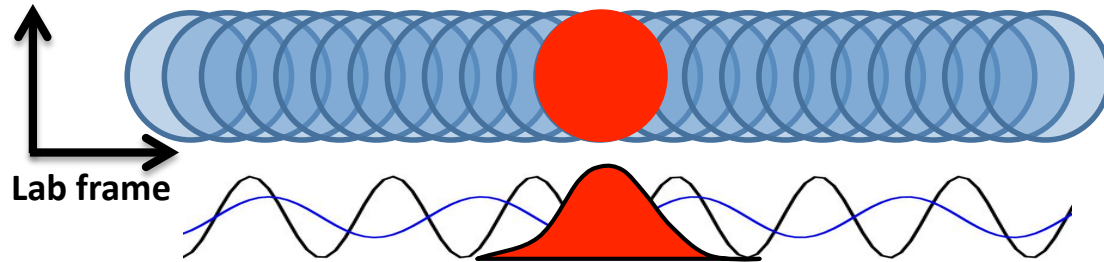


From wiki

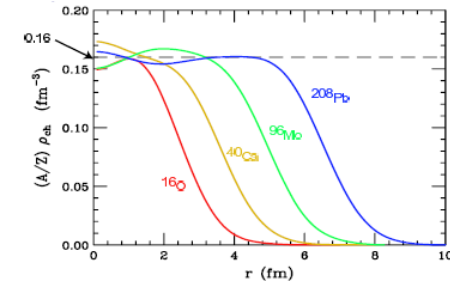


Fingerprints of spontaneous symmetry breaking and intrinsic frame

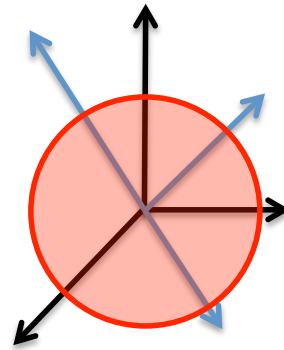
Translation:



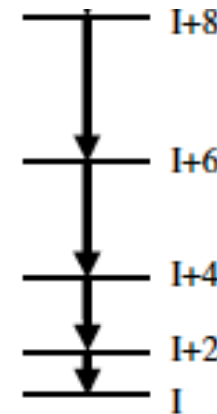
But nuclei have a finite size



Rotations:

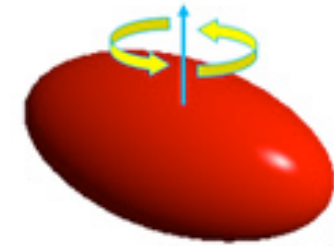


Nuclei do present rotational bands

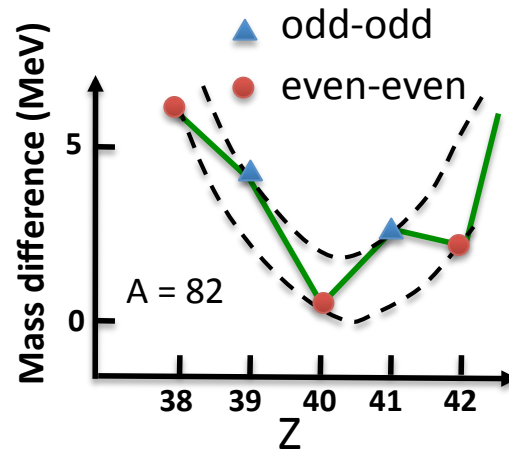


$$E_{\text{rot}} = \frac{I(I+1)}{2J} \hbar^2$$

Nuclei might be deformed

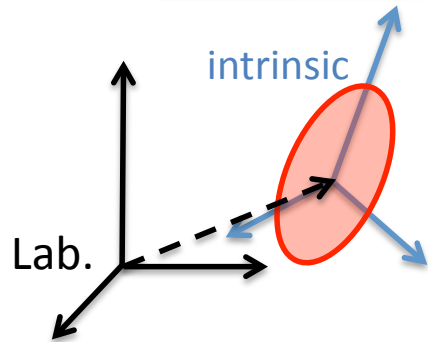


Particle number:



➔ Onset of pairing
Breaking particle number symmetry

Theoretical approach to symmetry breaking

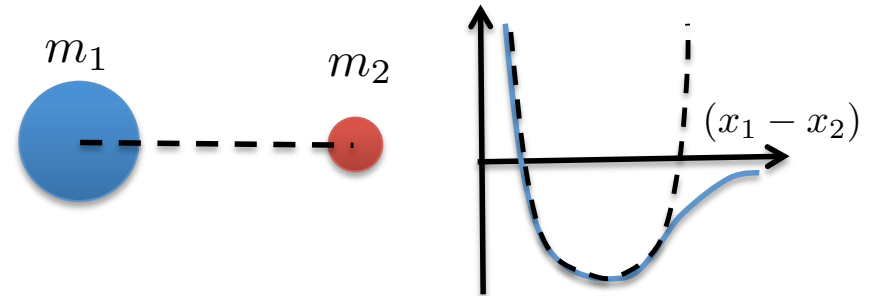


The many-body state respect all symmetries of H in the lab. frame

EDF is performed in the intrinsic frame and uses states that breaks symmetries

Simple example: two particles in interaction

$$\text{Hamiltonian } \hat{H} = \frac{\hat{p}_1^2}{2m_1} + \frac{\hat{p}_2^2}{2m_2} + C(\hat{x}_1 - \hat{x}_2)^2$$



Suppose $\Psi(x_1, x_2) = \varphi_1(x_1)\varphi_2(x_2)$

and minimize $\delta \left(\langle \Psi | \hat{H} | \Psi \rangle - E \langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle \right) = 0$

$$\rightarrow \varphi_i(x_i) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi b_i^2}} e^{-x_i^2/(2b_i^2)} \quad b_i^2 = \frac{\hbar}{\sqrt{2m_i C}}$$

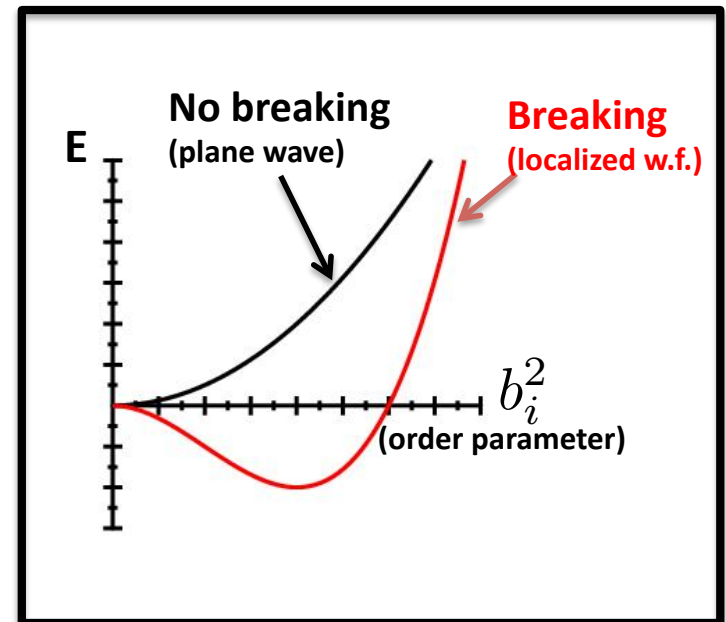
This is equivalent to solve

$$\hat{H}_{\text{MF}} \simeq \hat{h}(\hat{x}_1) + \hat{h}(\hat{x}_2)$$

with $\hat{h}(\hat{x}_i) = \frac{\hat{p}_i^2}{2m_i} + C\hat{x}_i^2$

Break translational Symmetry unless

$$b_i \rightarrow 0 \quad \rightarrow \varphi_i(x_i) \propto e^{\frac{ip_i x_i}{\hbar}}$$

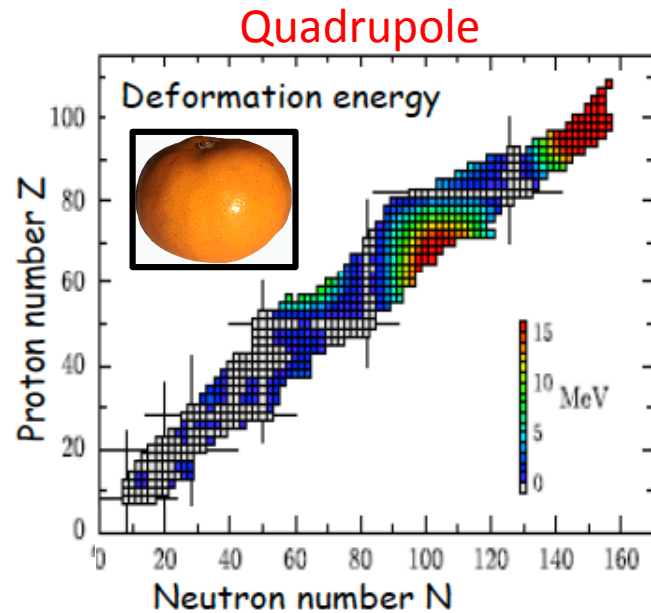
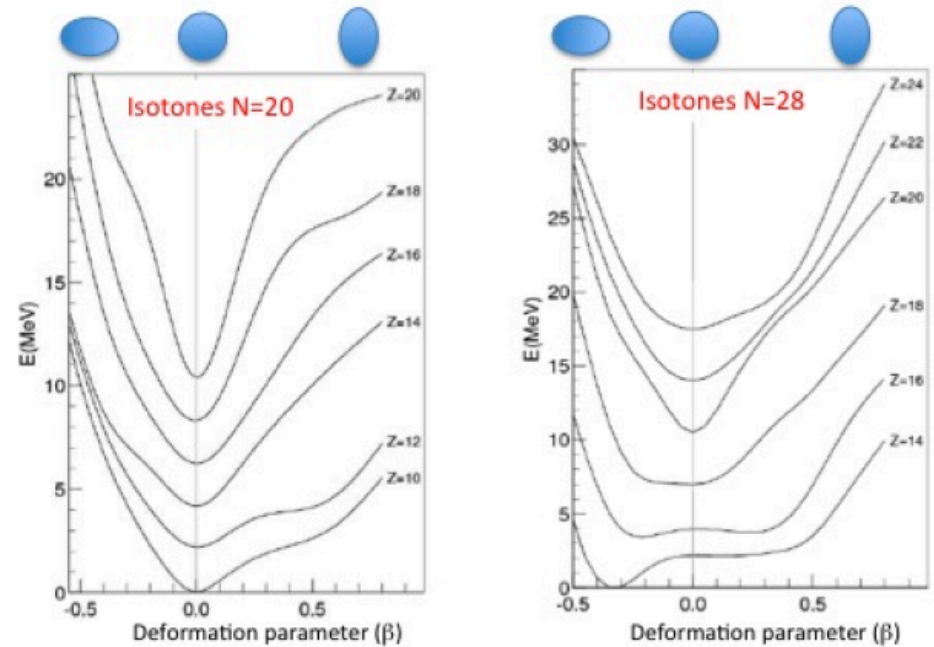


Success of EDF and broken symmetries

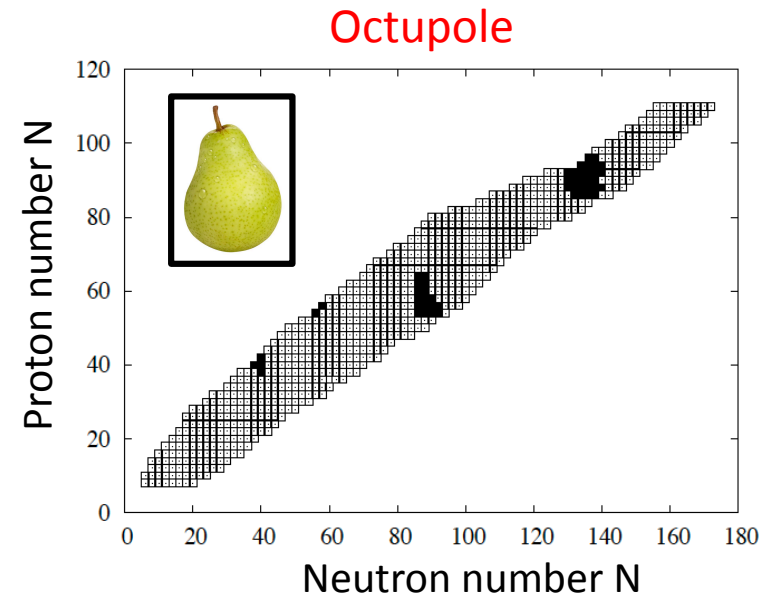
- Translational invariance is always broken
- To treat deformation spherical symmetry should be broken (3D codes)

Minimization under constraint

$$\delta (\mathcal{E}[\rho] - \lambda_2 \langle Q_2 \rangle + \dots) = 0$$

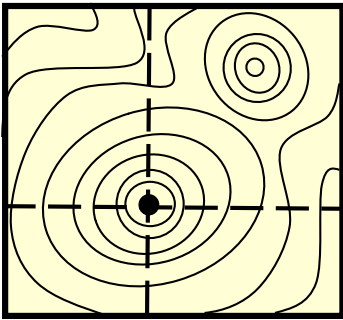


Bender, Bertsch, Heenen, PRC73 (2006)



Robledo, Bertsch, arXiv:1107.3581

EDF: Pairing correlations in nuclei



$$|\Phi_0\rangle = \prod_i a_i^\dagger |-\rangle \quad \rightarrow \quad |\Phi_0\rangle = \prod_i \beta_\alpha^\dagger |-\rangle \quad \text{or} \quad |\Phi_0\rangle = \prod_i (u_i + v_i a_i^\dagger a_i^\dagger) |-\rangle$$

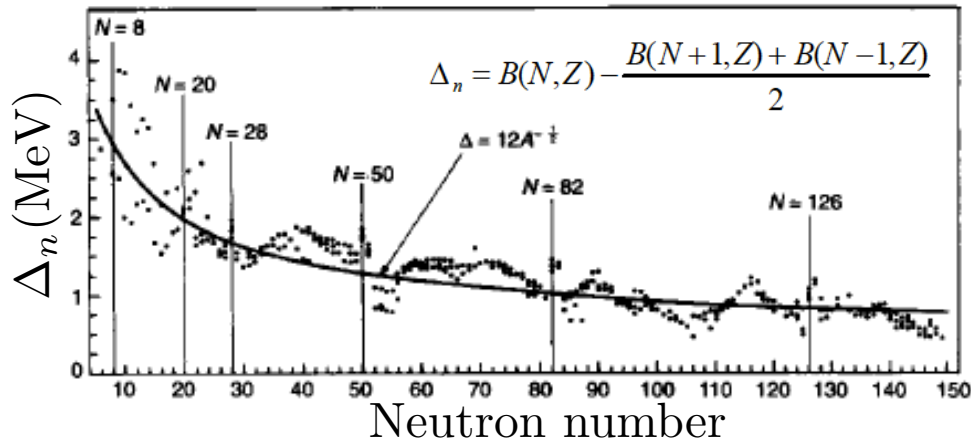
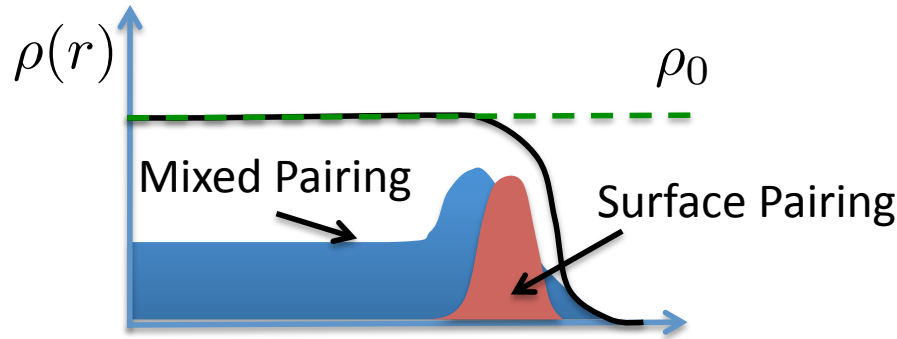
$$\text{EDF: } \mathcal{E}_{SR}[\rho, \kappa, \kappa^*] = \sum t_{ii} \rho_{ii} + \frac{1}{2} \sum \bar{v}_{ijij}^{\rho\rho} \rho_{ii} \rho_{jj} + \frac{1}{4} \sum \bar{v}_{ijj\bar{j}}^{\kappa\kappa} \kappa_{i\bar{i}}^* \kappa_{j\bar{j}}$$

$$\Phi_0 \rightarrow \{\rho, \kappa\} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_{SR}$$

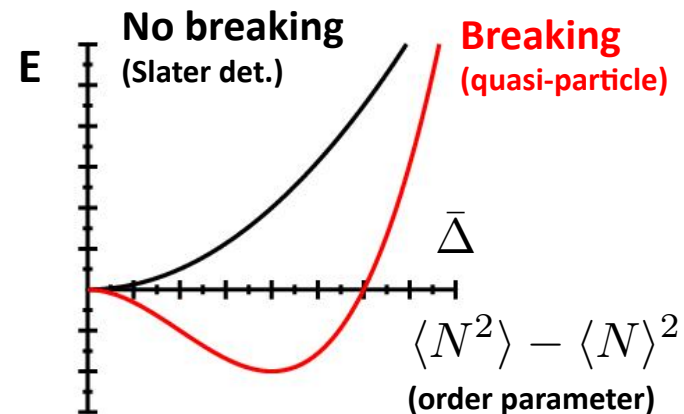
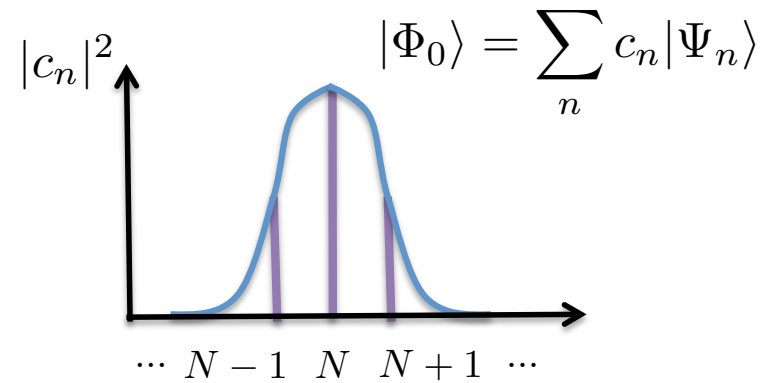
Pairing channel

Pairing interaction

$$v^{\kappa\kappa} = v_0 \left(1 - \alpha \left[\frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \right]^\beta \right) \delta(r_1 - r_2)$$



Particle number non-conservation



Third dilemma

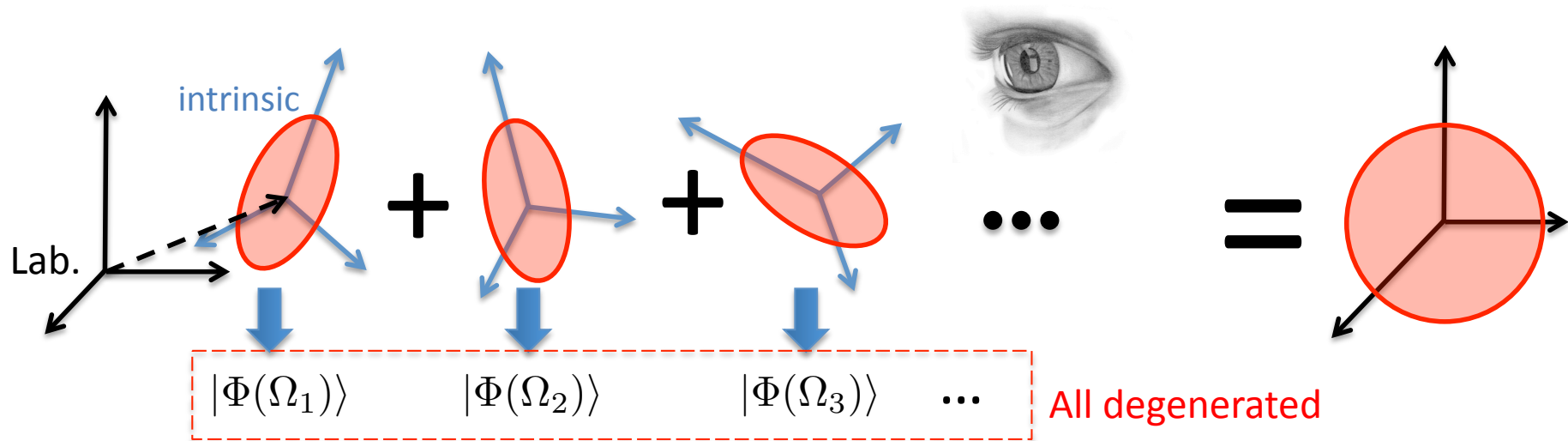
The many-body state respect all symmetries of H in the lab. frame

MB states should ultimately have good quantum numbers

EDF uses symmetry breaking to grasp correlation which are not easy to get without symmetry breaking

MB states do not have good quantum numbers

Symmetry Restoration : the rotation case



Formulation with projectors

$$|\Psi^J\rangle = P_J|\Psi(0)\rangle \quad \text{with} \quad |\Psi^J\rangle = \int d\Omega f(\Omega)|\Phi(\Omega)\rangle$$

Terminology:

- Generator Coordinate Method
- Configuration mixing
- Multi-Reference EDF

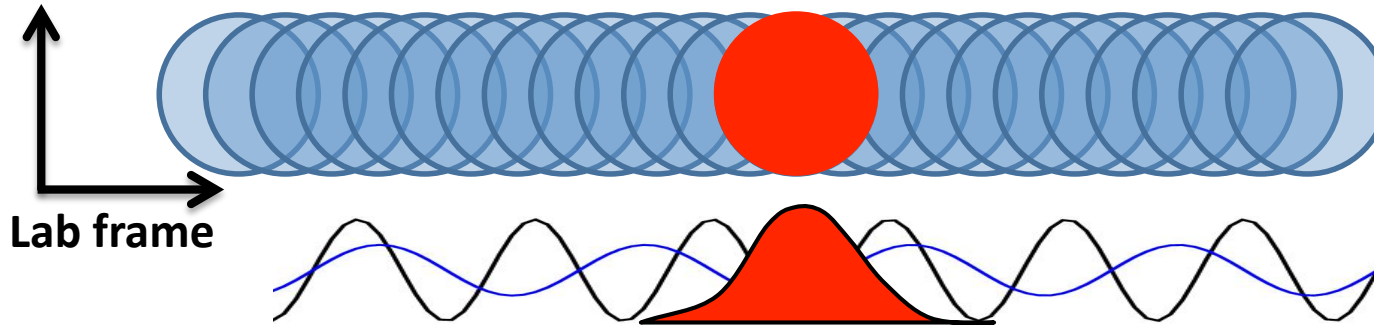
Some example of symmetry breaking restoration

Few examples

- translational invariance

$$|\Psi^{c.m.}\rangle = P_{c.m.}|\Psi(0)\rangle$$

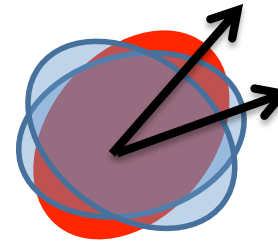
Physical effects



Surface
Vibration

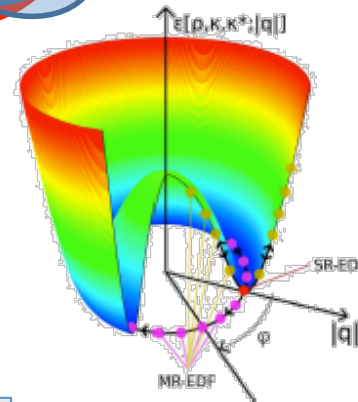
Quadrupole
Correlation

- Rotational invariance $|\Psi^J\rangle = P_J|\Psi(0)\rangle$



Rotational
Bands

- U(1) symmetry $|\Psi^N\rangle = P_N|\Psi(0)\rangle$



Pairing
Correlations
-
Odd-even effects

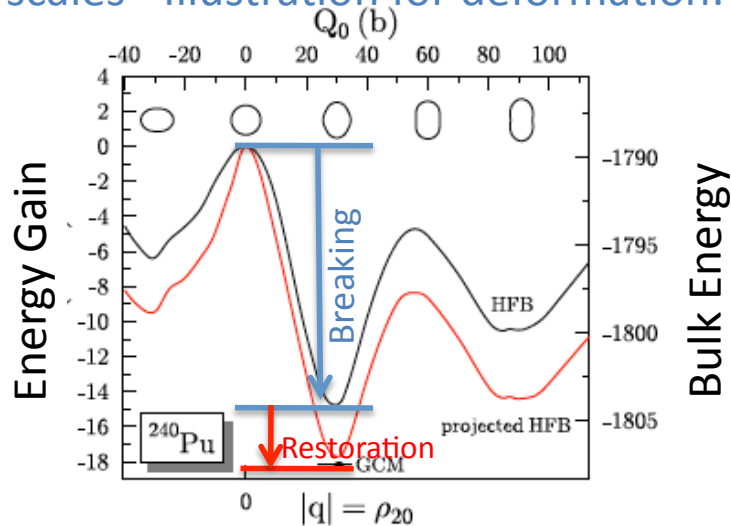
Ultimately

$$|\Psi^{N,Z,J,\dots}\rangle = P_N P_Z P_J \dots |\Psi(0)\rangle$$

Configuration Mixing within EDF

EDF: status in nuclear structure studies

Energy scales - Illustration for deformation:



From T. Duguet, M. Bender (EJC 2009)

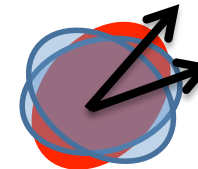
Bulk energy: 1800 MeV

Energy gain due to Symmetry breaking: 15 MeV

Energy gain due to Restoration: Few MeVs

Dilemma: While data contains “fingerprints of symmetry breaking” the theory should be Symmetry conserving

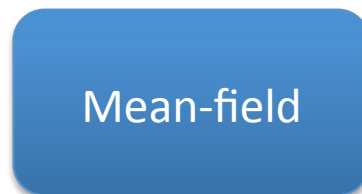
$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{\text{deg}} c_i |\Phi_i\rangle$$



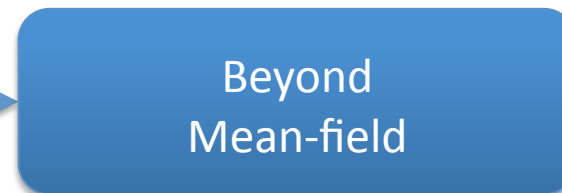
The two steps nuclear Physics strategy

Step 1: Grasp the gross features of atomic nuclei

SR-EDF
(HF, mean-field...)



20-40 years...

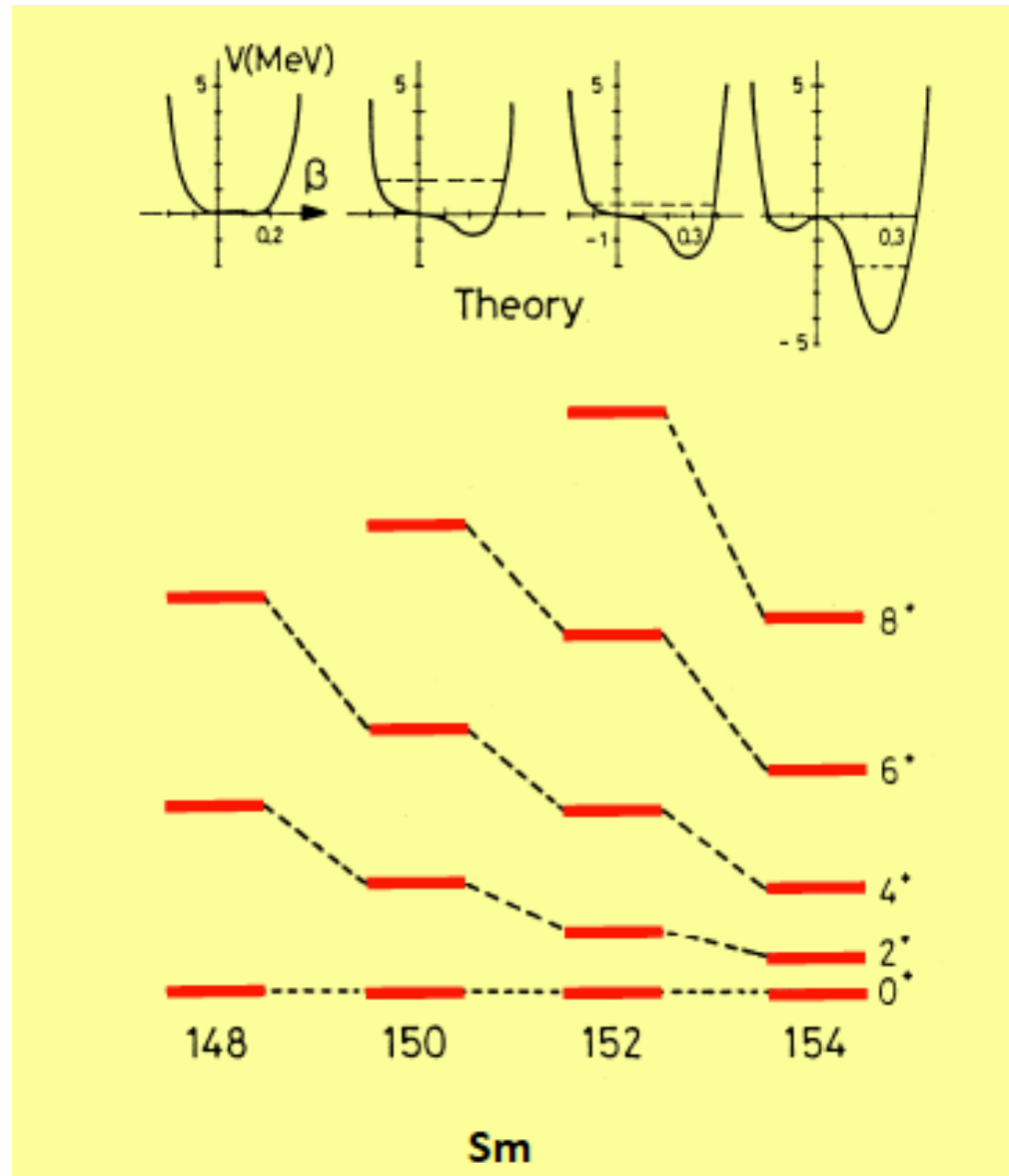


Step 2: incorporate the local fine structure effects

MR-EDF
(GCM, beyond mean-field...)

Configuration Mixing within EDF

Interplay between single-particle and collective degrees of freedom

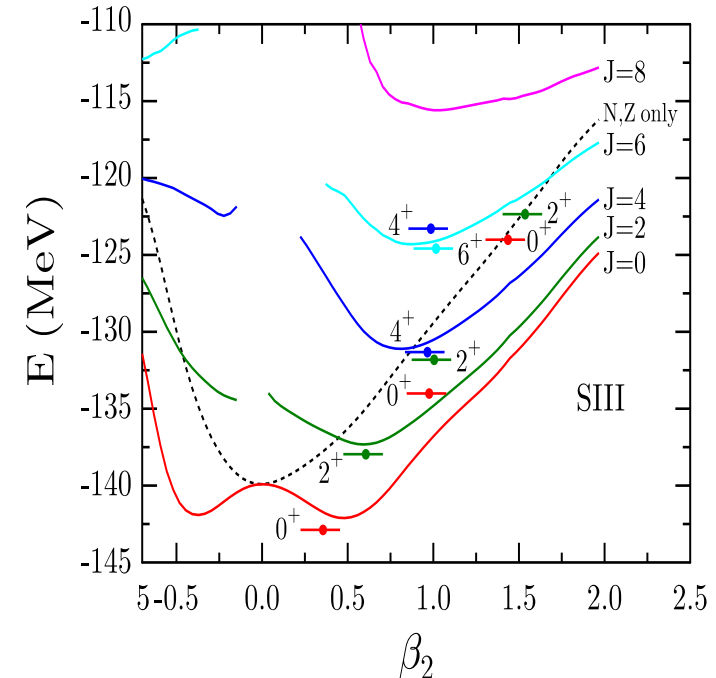
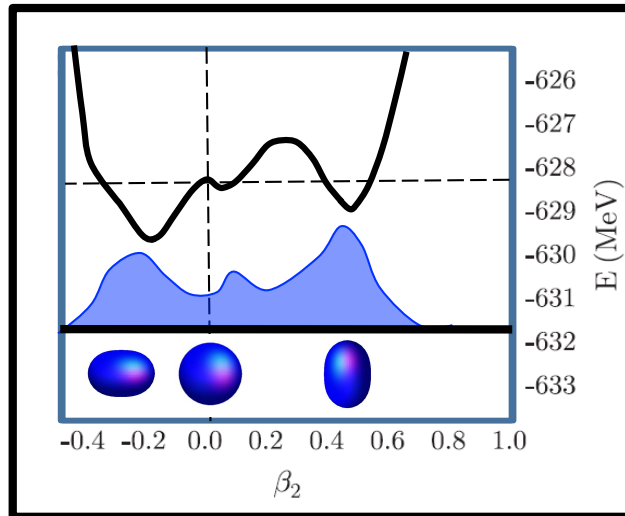


H. Goutte, EJC 2010

Configuration Mixing within EDF

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Configuration Mixing within EDF



Bender, Duguet, Heenen, Lacroix, arXiv:1011.4047

What we ask to a modern mean-field theory ?

- Ground state energy MB
- Densities
- Deformation
- Shell evolution
- Spectroscopy MB

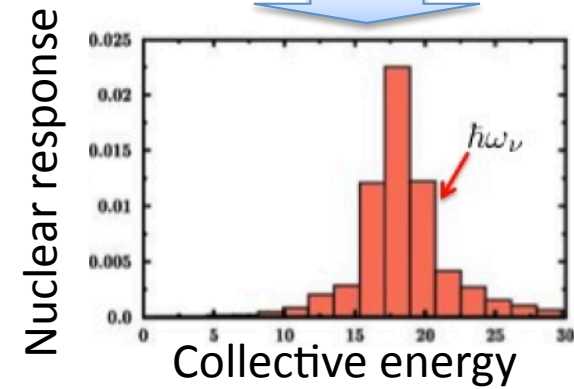
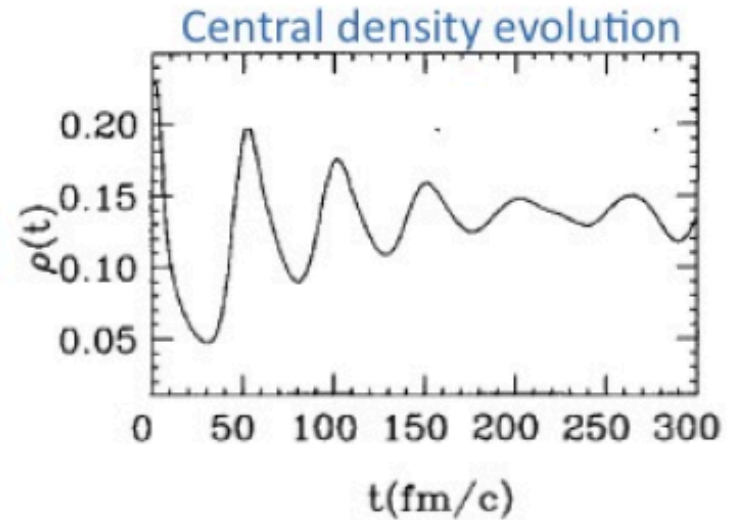
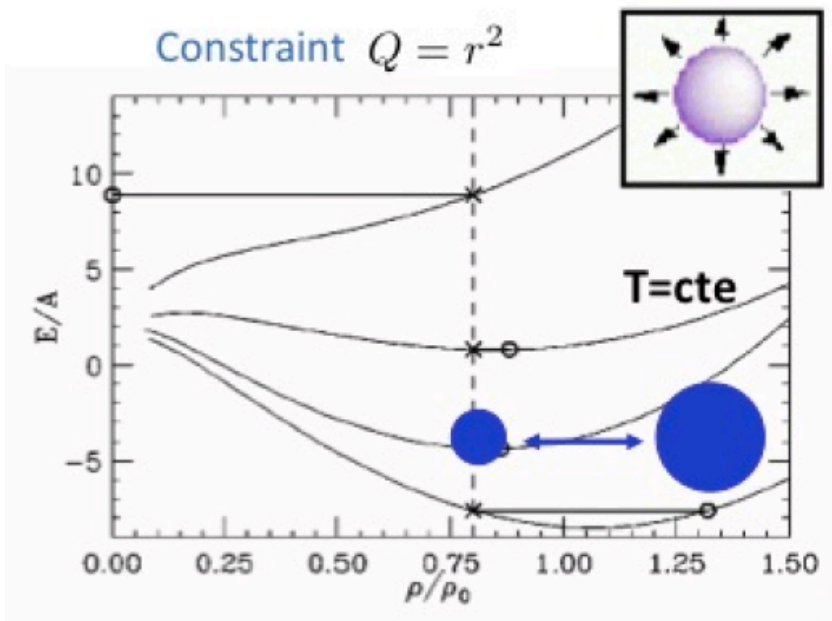
Single Particle

And much more...

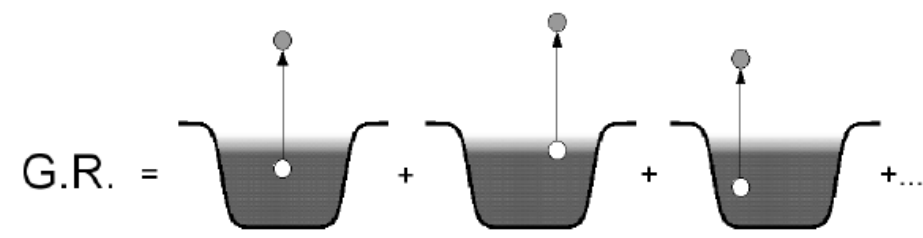
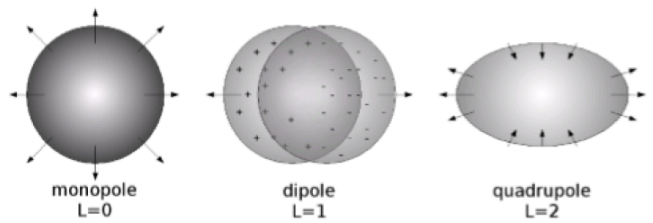
EDF, from ground state to thermodynamics, to dynamics

Constrained EDF at finite Temperature

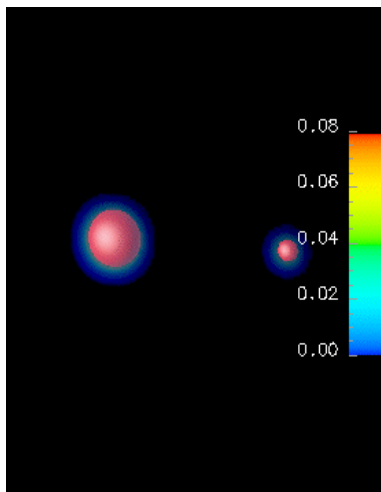
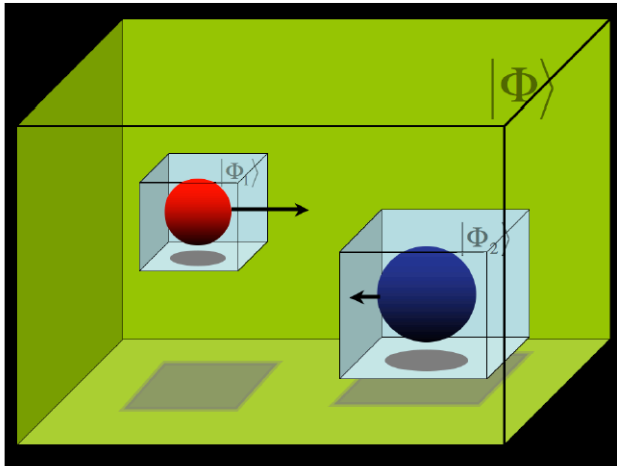
$$\delta\{\mathcal{E}[\rho] - TS[\rho] - \mu\text{Tr}(\hat{N}D)\} = 0$$



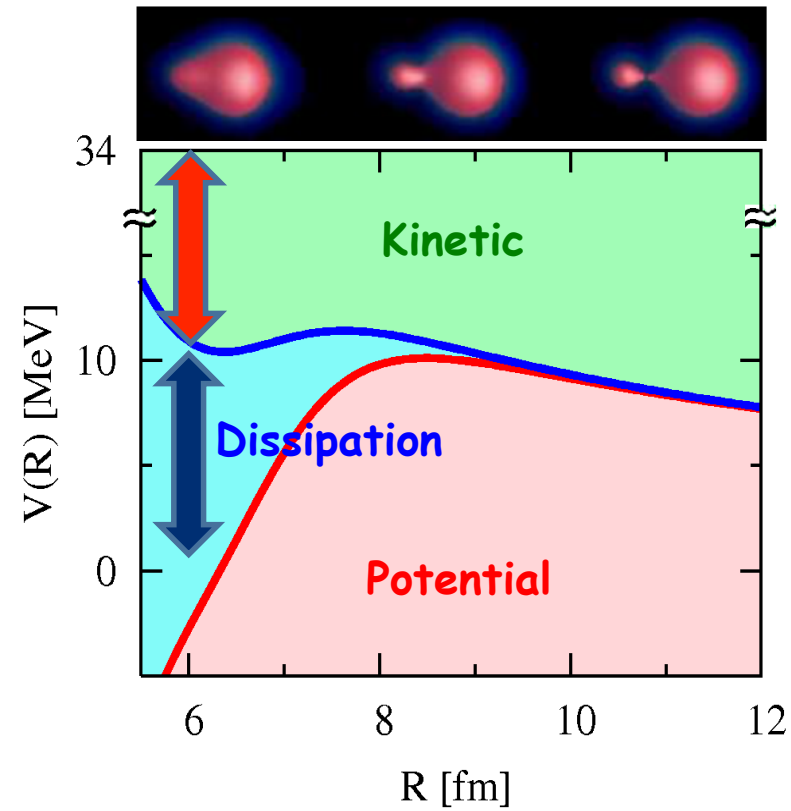
Giant Resonances



(see lecture M. Harakeh)



Example of study: the onset of dissipation

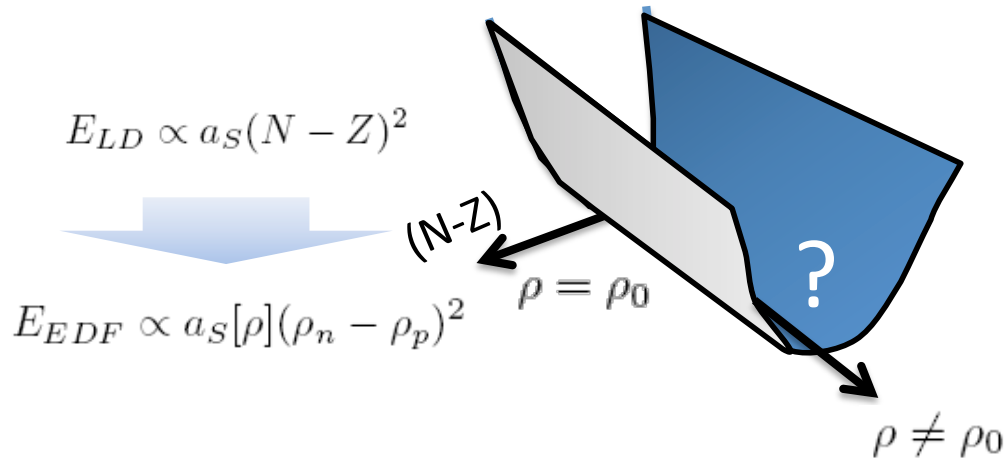


Simenel, Avez, Lacroix, arXiv:0806.2714

A unified theory for nuclear structure, reactions and stars

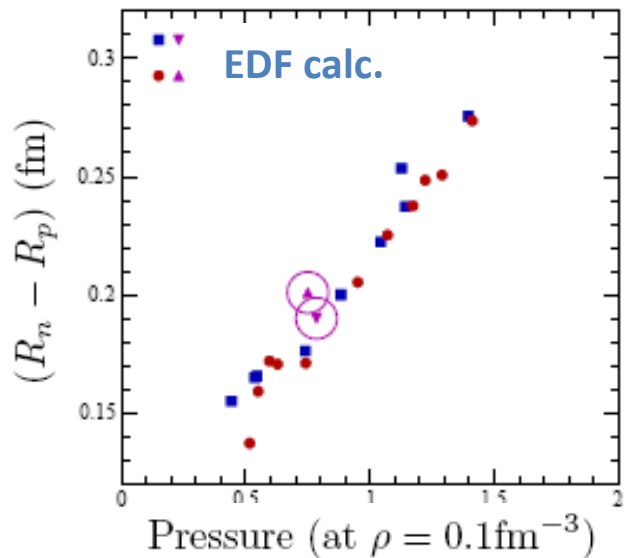
Strategy 1: exploring unknown region

Illustration with the Symmetry energy



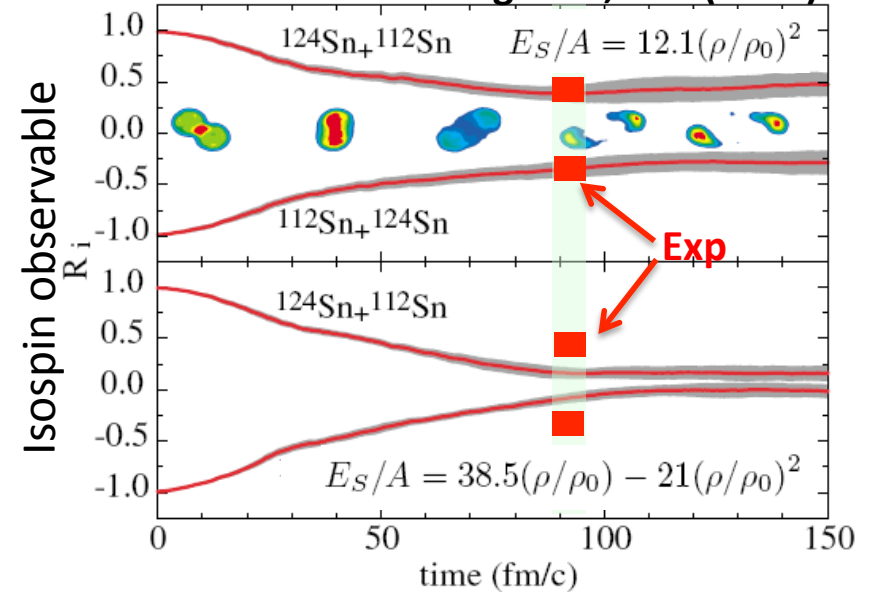
Constraint from Astrophysics

Steiner et al, Phys. Rep. (2005)



Constraint from Heavy-Ion reactions

Tsang et al, PRL (2004)



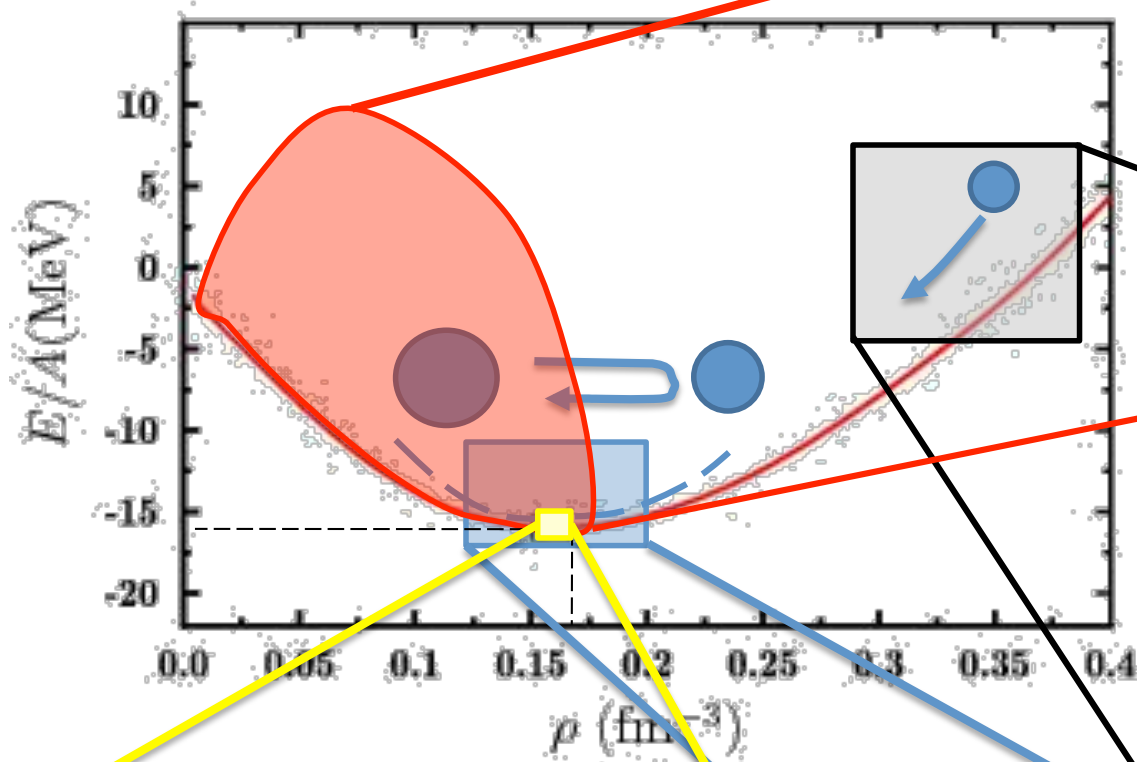
Radius \times Pressure $^{-1/4} \simeq \text{cte}$

Lattimer et al, Phys. Rep. (2000)

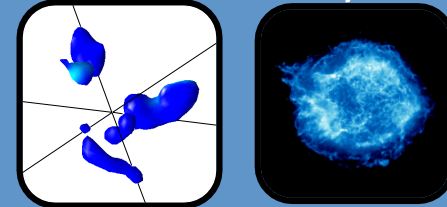
- ➔ Measurement of neutron star radii constraint the asymmetry energy
- ➔ Cooling of proto-neutron star
- ➔ Exotic phases

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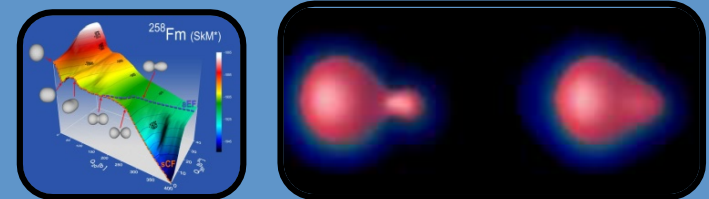
Range of application



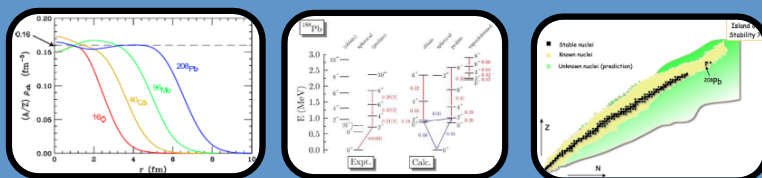
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(Eq. or non equilibrium)
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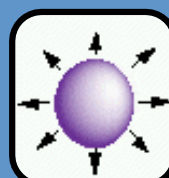
LARGE AMPLITUDE DYNAMICS



GROUND STATE



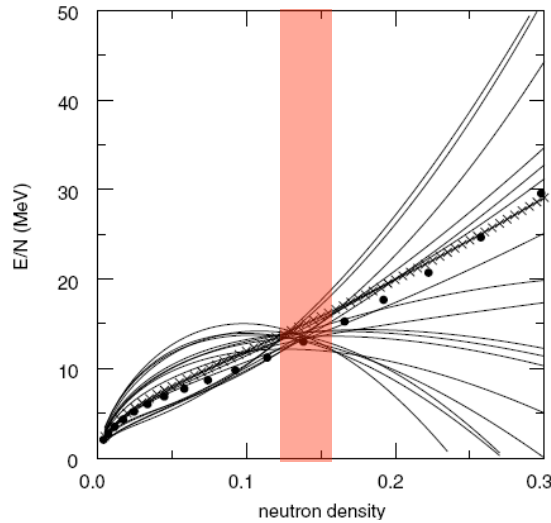
VIBRATION



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Uncertainties and Predicting power in conventional EDF

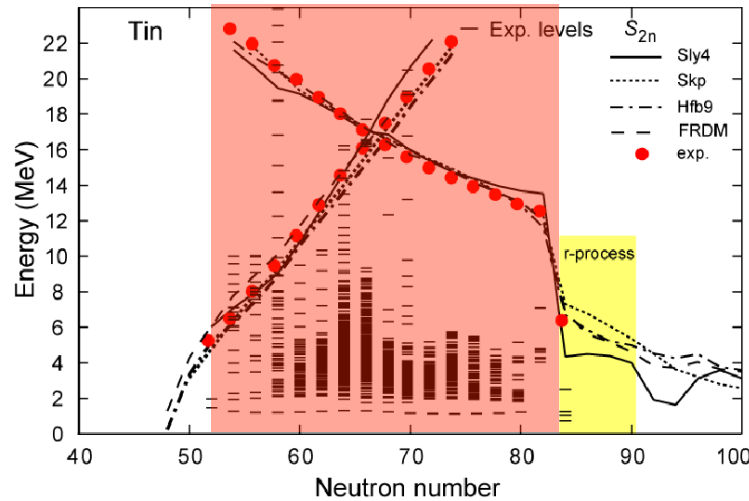
EOS of pure neutron matter



Brown, PRL85 (2000).

Conventional EDF are adjusted on a selected set of experimental data in finite and infinite systems

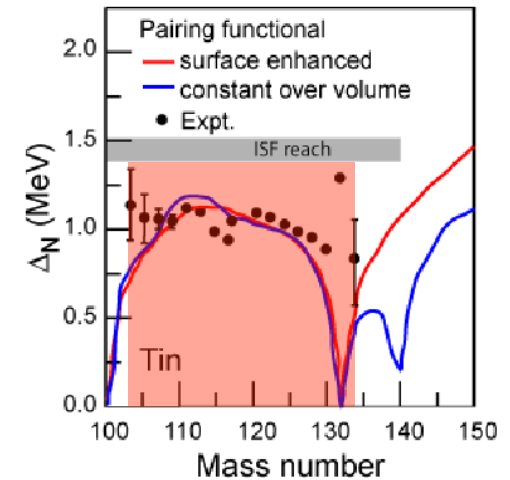
S_{2n} and S_{2p} in Tin isotopic chain



<http://www.nsl.msu.edu/future/isf>

Experimentally known

Pairing gap



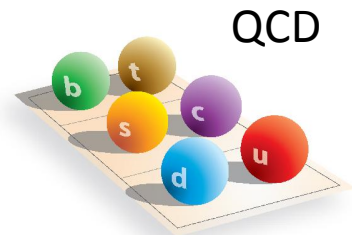
➡ Large uncertainty in unknown region

Strategy to improve

Exp./Th. ➡ Add more data (RIB, reactions, stars)

Th./Exp. ➡ Use the “bottom-up” approach

Towards non-empirical EDF



Effective Field Theory
Chiral Perturbation theory

Epelbaum et al, Rev. Mod. Phys. 81 (2009)



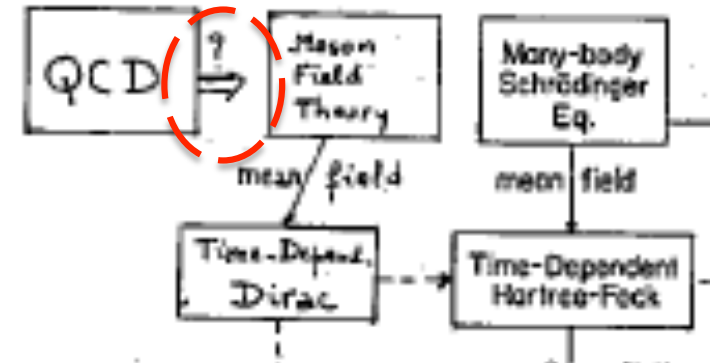
Renormalization Group

Bogner et al,
Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 65 (2010)

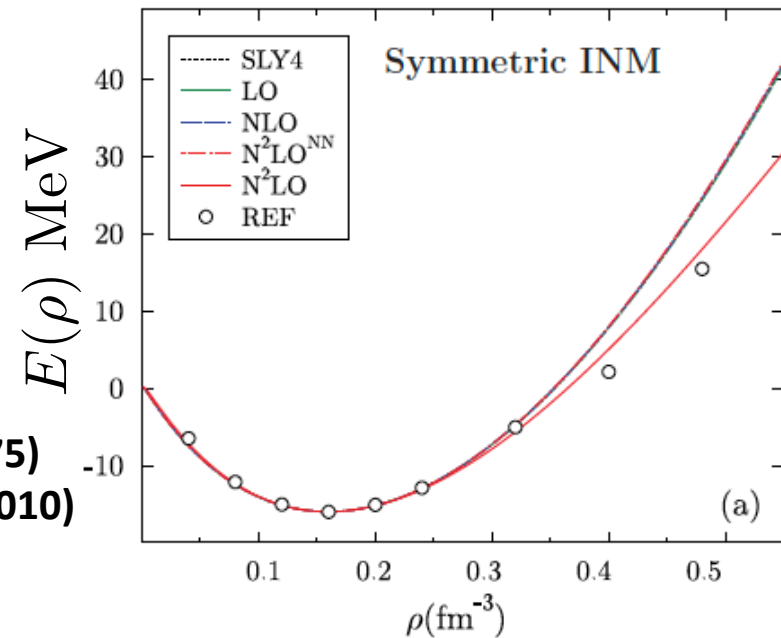
New soft interaction (2-3 body)
Many-Body Pert. Theory

Density Matrix Expansion
Negele, Vautherin, Phys. Rev.C11 (1975)
Gebremariam et al, Phys. Rev. C 82 (2010)

Non-empirical functional



Cugnon, EJC 1985



Stoitsov et al, Phys. Rev. C82 (2010)

(that all folks...)