



# ***Beyond-RPA approaches in the equation-of-motion framework***

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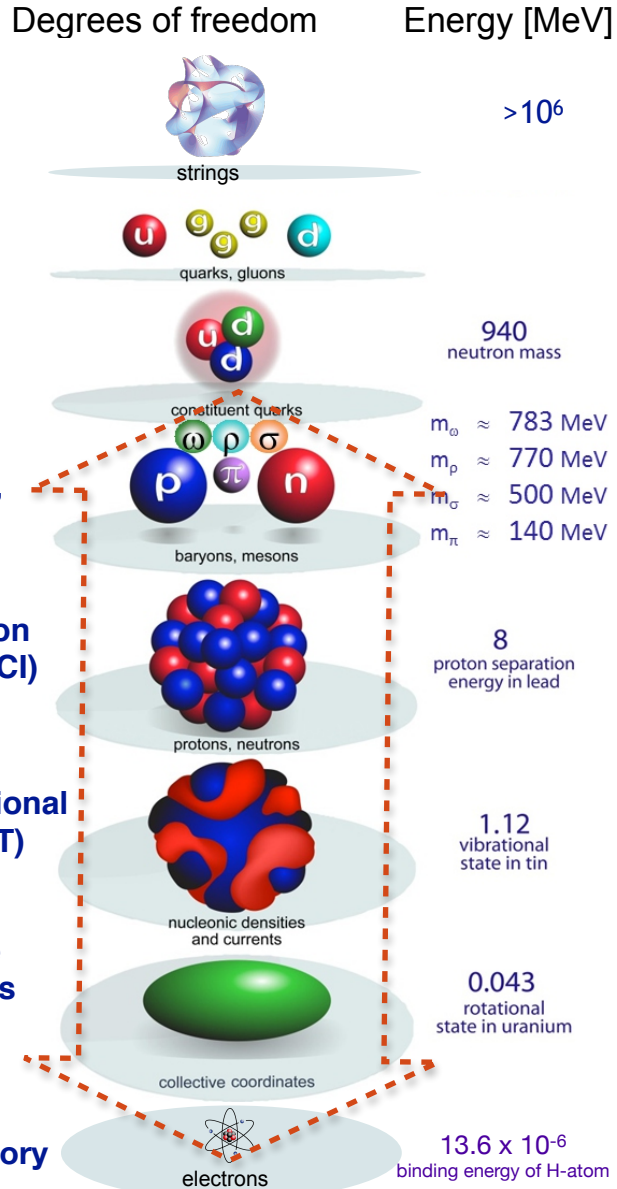


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# Hierarchy of energy scales and nuclear many-body problem



- **The major conflict: reductionism vs "emergentism"**

Separation of energy scales => effective field theories

VS

The physics on a certain scale is governed by the next higher-energy scale

**Hamiltonian:**

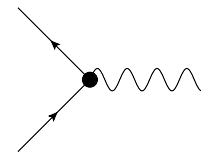
$$H = K + V$$

center of mass

internal degrees of freedom:  
next energy scale

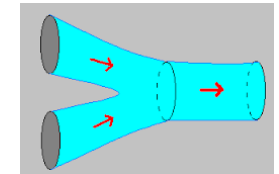
**Standard Model:**

free propagation and interaction, *singularities & renormalizations*



**String theory:**

merging strings  
*NO "Interaction"*



- **Possible solution:**

Keep/establish connections between the scales via *emergent phenomena*

# The frontiers of fundamental physics

• **The Standard Model:** explains (almost) all experimental data, provides a consistent and powerful framework based on the gauge origin of EM, weak and strong interactions.

• Some experimental facts point out that the **SM is incomplete or is an effective theory** with respect to some more fundamental theory:

- Non-zero neutrino mass;
- Dark matter & dark energy;
- Gravity can not be quantized and included in the SM .

• Other open **Big questions:**

- Why does the universe exist?
- Why is it so large?
- Are there extra dimensions?
- Why time is one-way?

• **The frontiers: the big, the small, and the complex.** Making very large and very small compatible; emergence at various scales:

- Big Bang
- Black Holes
- Stars: Interface of subatomic physics and astrophysics.

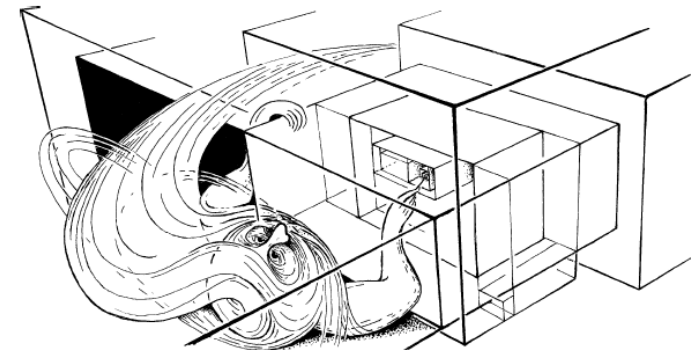
## The Standard Model

mass →	≈2.3 MeV/c <sup>2</sup>	≈1.275 GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	≈173.07 GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	0	≈126 GeV/c <sup>2</sup>
charge →	2/3	2/3	2/3	0	0
spin →	1/2	1/2	1/2	0	0
	<b>u</b> up	<b>c</b> charm	<b>t</b> top	<b>g</b> gluon	<b>H</b> Higgs boson
	<b>d</b> down	<b>s</b> strange	<b>b</b> bottom	<b>γ</b> photon	
	<b>e</b> electron	<b>μ</b> muon	<b>τ</b> tau	<b>Z</b> Z boson	
	<b>ν<sub>e</sub></b> electron neutrino	<b>ν<sub>μ</sub></b> muon neutrino	<b>ν<sub>τ</sub></b> tau neutrino	<b>W</b> W boson	

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

## God setting up the Universe

Fig. from R. Penrose: *The Road to Reality*

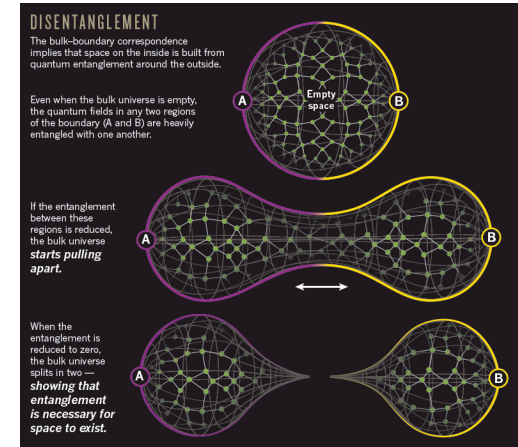




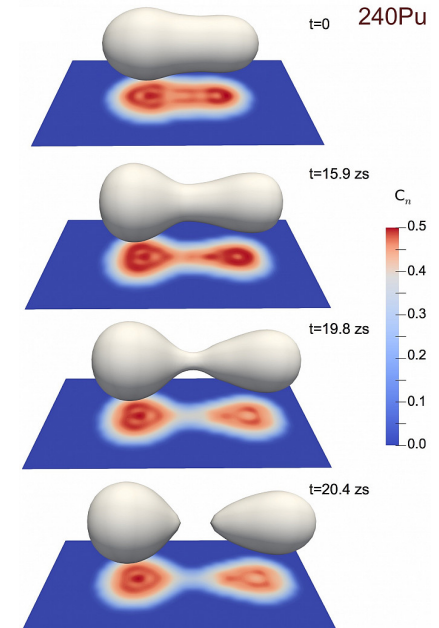
# Emergent phenomena in strongly-correlated quantum systems

- *Emergence in interacting many-body systems: drastically different behavior of the entire system originating from collective behavior and interactions of the constituent local degrees of freedom.*
- *The emergence is associated with resolving conceptual difficulties in various contexts, such as quark confinement, scattering amplitudes, topological phases of materials, superfluidity and superconductivity. Therefore, understanding emergence has a broad impact.*
- *Answering Big Questions at fundamental physics frontiers by extensions of the Standard Model to include gravity, connecting explicitly UV and IR physics: emergent character of space(-time). Fundamentality of emergence.*

## Bulk-boundary correspondence:



## Nuclear fission:



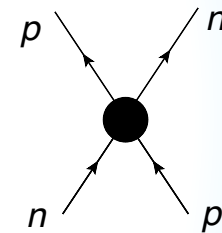
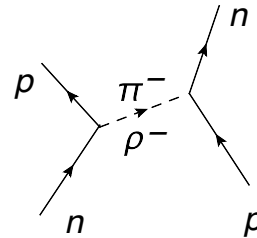
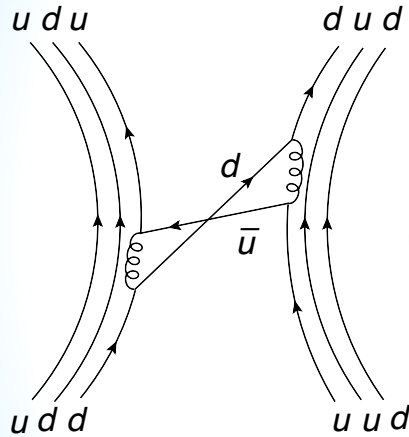


# The underlying mechanism of NN-interaction :

Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD, high energy)

Quantum Hadrodynamics (QHD, intermediate energy)

Nuclear Structure (NS, low energy)



Relay of EFTs



QCD

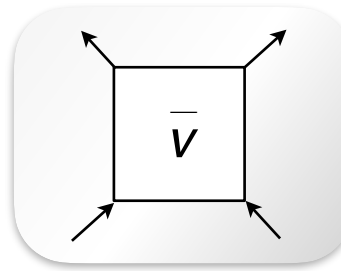
QHD

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**Nuclear applications:**

Generic "bare interaction":  
model-independent,  
ALL channels included:

$$H = \sum_{12} t_{12} \psi_1^\dagger \psi_2 + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{1234} \bar{v}_{1234} \psi_1^\dagger \psi_2^\dagger \psi_3 \psi_4$$



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- Covariant  $\checkmark$

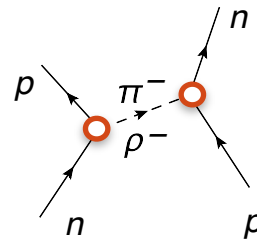
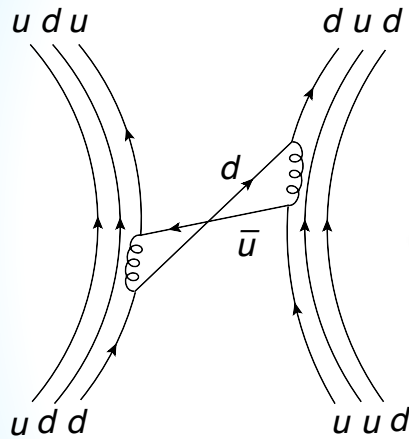
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Derivable from the underlying DoFs

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- *The full many-body scheme has not been (yet) executed neither for the “bare” meson-exchange (ME) interaction nor for any other bare interaction.*
- *A good starting point - the use of **effective ME interactions** adjusted to nuclear bulk properties on the mean-field level (J. Walecka, M. Serot, ..., **P. Ring**) and to supplement the **many-body correlation theory with proper subtraction techniques** (V. Tselyaev), in the covariant framework.*

Relay of EFTs

QCD

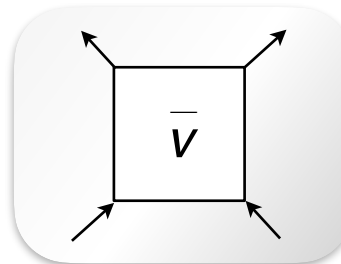
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# Exact equations of motion (EOM) for binary interactions: one-body problem

$$G_{11'}(t - t') = -i \langle T \psi_1(t) \psi_{1'}^\dagger(t') \rangle$$

**EOM: Dyson Equation**

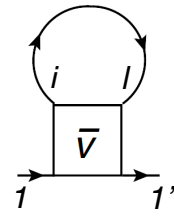
$$G(\omega) = G^{(0)}(\omega) + G^{(0)}(\omega) \Sigma(\omega) G(\omega) \quad (*) \quad \Sigma(\omega) = \Sigma^{(0)} + \Sigma^{(r)}(\omega)$$

Free propagator

Irreducible kernel (Self-energy, exact):

Instantaneous term (Hartree-Fock incl. "tadpole")  
**Short-range correlations**

$$\Sigma_{11'}^{(0)} = -\delta(t - t') \langle [[V, \psi_1], \psi_{1'}^\dagger]_+ \rangle$$

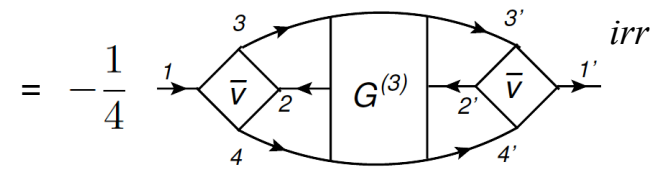
$$= - \sum_{jl} \bar{v}_{1j1'l} \rho_{lj} =$$


$$\rho_{ij} = -i \lim_{t=t'-0} G_{ij}(t - t')$$

t-dependent (dynamical) term  
**Long-range correlations**

$$\Sigma_{11'}^{(r)}(t - t') = -i \langle T [\psi_1, V](t) [V, \psi_{1'}^\dagger](t') \rangle^{irr}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4} \sum_{234} \sum_{2'3'4'} \bar{v}_{1234} G^{irr}(432', 23'4') \bar{v}_{4'3'2'1'}$$



Koltun-Migdal-Galitsky sum rule: **the binding energy**

$$E_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\bar{\epsilon}_F} d\epsilon \sum_{12} (T_{12} + \epsilon \delta_{12}) \text{Im} G_{21}(\epsilon)$$

**"Ab-initio DFT"**

**This self-energy is:**

- **Ab-initio Exact & Universal**
- **valid in relativistic regimes**
- **including fermionic EOMs in the Standard Model**



# Equation of motion (EOM) for the particle-hole response

Particle-hole response  
(correlation function):

$$R_{12,1'2'}^{(ph)}(t-t') = -i \langle T(\psi_1^\dagger \psi_2)(t) (\psi_2^\dagger \psi_{1'}) (t') \rangle$$

spectra of excitations,  
masses, decays, ...

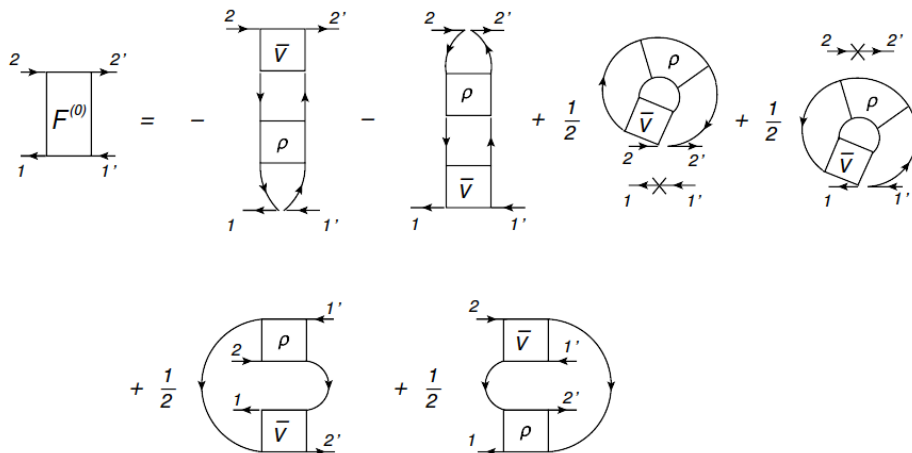
**EOM: Bethe-Salpeter-Dyson Eq.**

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

Free propagator

Irreducible kernel (exact):

Instantaneous term ("bosonic" mean field):  
**Short-range correlations**

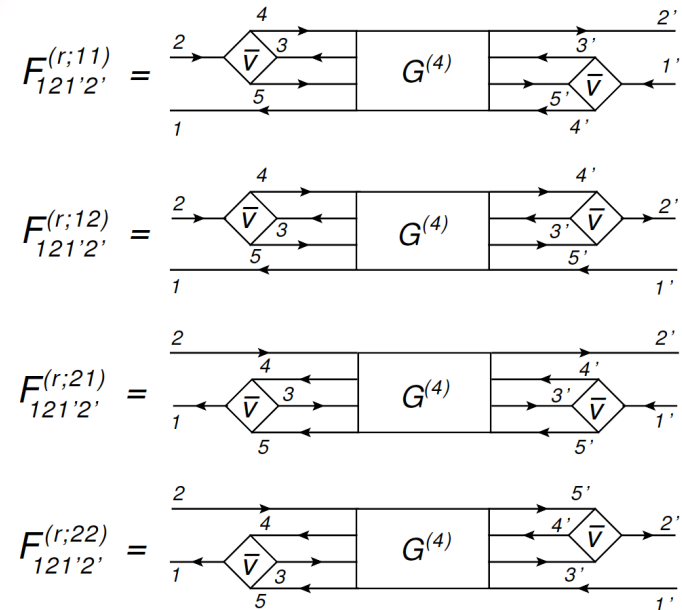


Self-consistent mean field  $F^{(0)}$ , where

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

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

$t$ -dependent (dynamical) term:  
**Long-range correlations**



$$F_{12,1'2'}^{(r)}(t-t') = \sum_{ij} F_{12,1'2'}^{(r;ij)}(t-t')$$

# Non-perturbative treatment of two-point $G^{(n)}$ in the dynamical kernels

• **Quantum many-body problem in a nutshell:** Direct EOM for  $G^{(n)}$  generates  $G^{(n+2)}$  in the (symmetric) dynamical kernels and further high-rank correlation functions (CFs); an equivalent of the BBGKY hierarchy.  $N_{\text{Equations}} = N_{\text{Particles}} \& \text{ Coupled}$  🐒 !!!

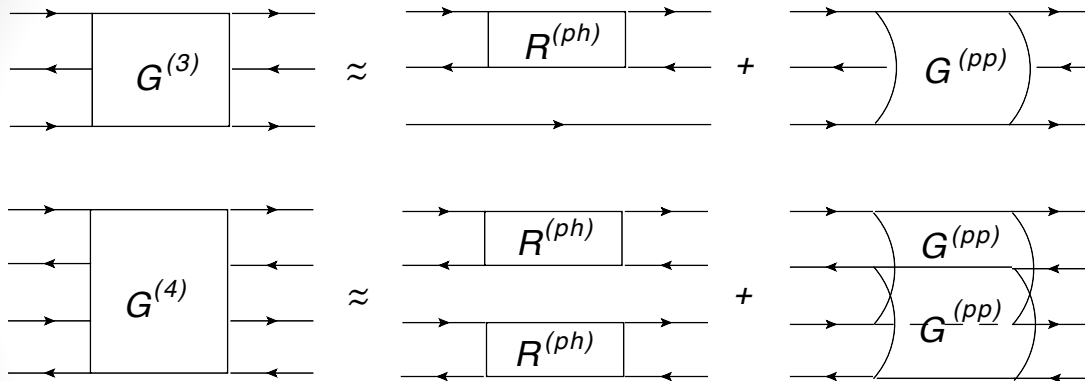
Truncation on two-body level

• **Non-perturbative solution:** **Cluster decomposition**

“SCGF”      This work

◆  $G^{(3)} = G^{(1)} G^{(1)} G^{(1)} + G^{(2)} G^{(1)} + \Xi^{(3)}$

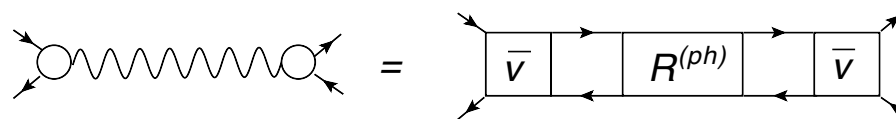
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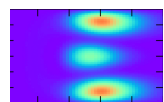
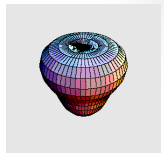
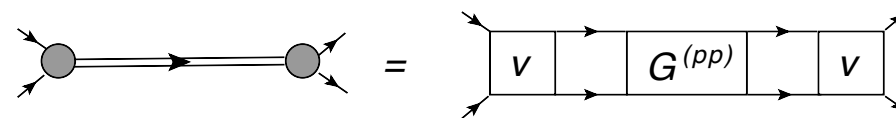
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- P. Danielewicz and P. Schuck, *Nucl. Phys.* A567, 78 (1994)
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Exact mapping: particle-hole ( $2q$ ) quasibound states

Emergence of effective “particles” (phonons, vibrations):

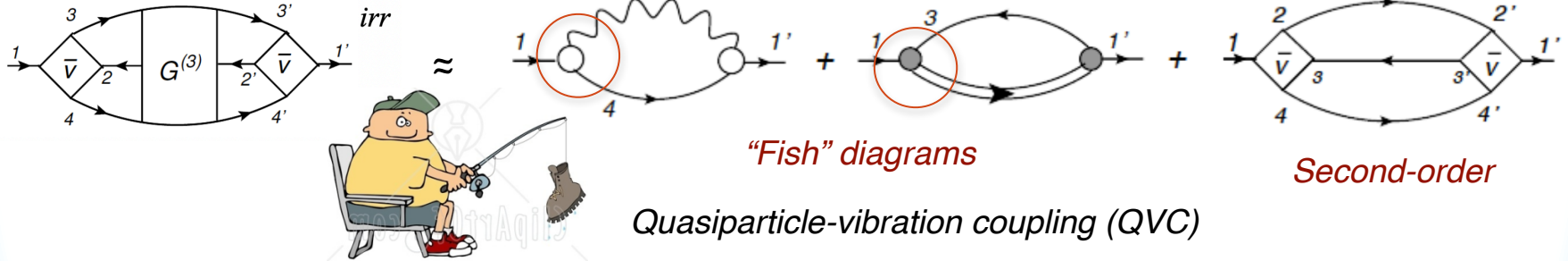


Emergence of superfluidity:



# Emergence of effective degrees of freedom

Dynamical self-energy:



**Emergent** phonon vertices and propagators: *calculable from the underlying H*, which does not contain phonon degrees of freedom

$$H = \sum_{12} h_{12} \psi_1^\dagger \psi_2 + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{1234} \bar{v}_{1234} \psi_1^\dagger \psi_2^\dagger \psi_4 \psi_3$$

$$H = \sum_{12} \tilde{h}_{12} \psi_1^\dagger \psi_2 + \sum_{\lambda\lambda'} \mathcal{W}_{\lambda\lambda'} Q_\lambda^\dagger Q_{\lambda'} + \sum_{12\lambda} \left[ \Theta_{12}^\lambda \psi_1^\dagger Q_\lambda^\dagger \psi_2 + h.c. \right]$$

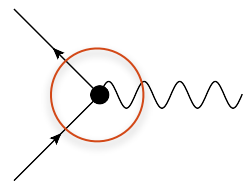
“Ab-initio”



**Derivable,**  
unlike the NFT

**Effective**

Cf.: The Standard Model elementary interaction vertices: boson-exchange interaction is the *input*:



$$\gamma, g, W^\pm, Z^0$$

Possibly derivable?

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

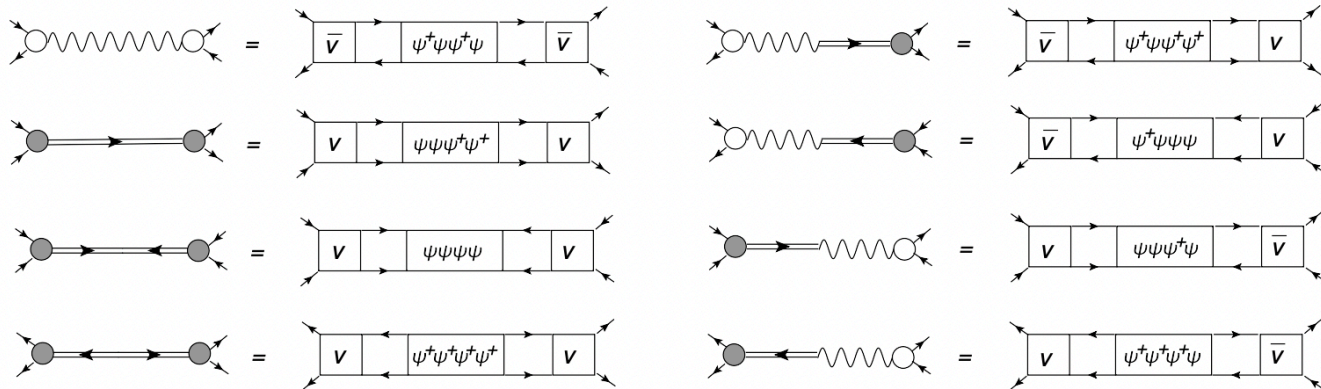
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# Superfluid systems

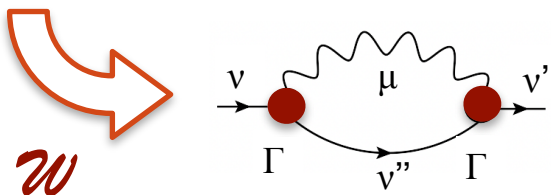
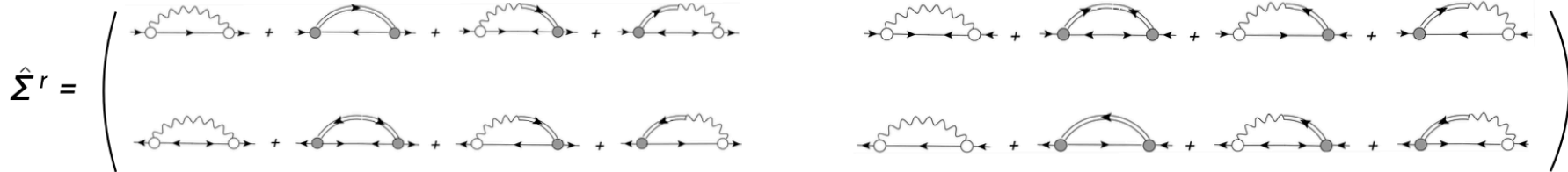
## Superfluid dynamical kernel: adding particle-number violating contributions

Mapping on the QVC in the canonical basis



## Quasiparticle dynamical self-energy (matrix):

*normal and pairing phonons are unified*



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

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

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

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

# Transformation to quasiparticle basis

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

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

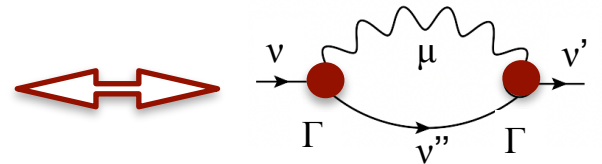
Dyson Eqs. decouple

for  $\eta=1$  and  $\eta=-1$ :

Eq. for  $\eta=-1$  is redundant

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

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



HFB basis

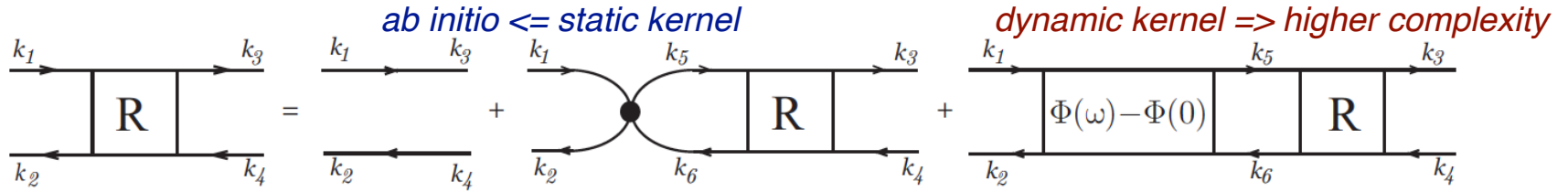
Dynamical self-energy: acquires the same form as the non-superfluid one!

Superfluid quasiparticle-vibration coupling (QVC) vertices:

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

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

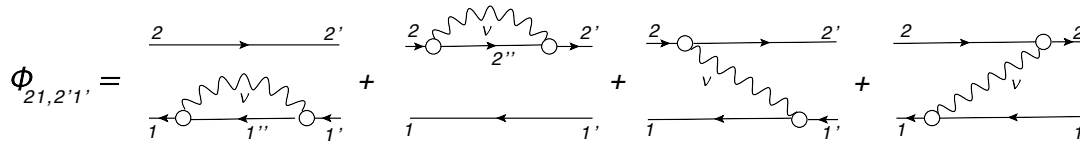
# Higher-order correlations: toward a complete theory



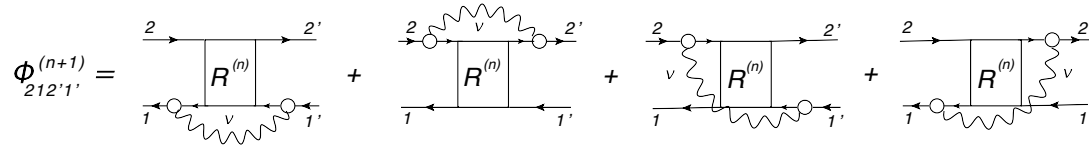
Dyson-Bethe-Salpeter Equation:

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

Conventional NFT



Extended NFT:



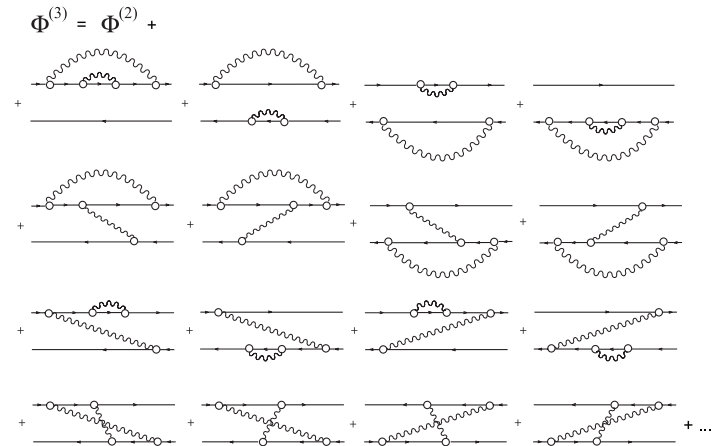
Generalized approach for the correlated propagators

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

Ab-initio formulation,

$\Phi^{(3)}$  implementation;  $2q+2p$  phonon correlations:

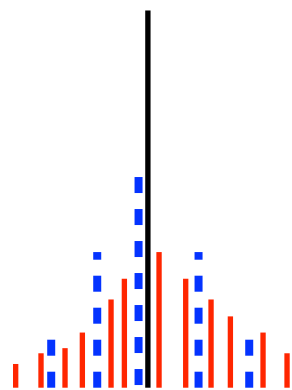
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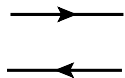


# Excitation spectrum: Hierarchy of configuration complexity

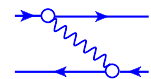
## Fragmentation mechanism



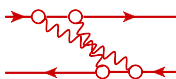
2q:



2q+phonon:



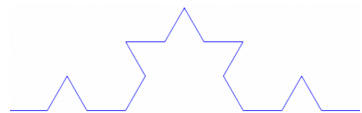
2q+2phonon:



## Fractals: Koch curve



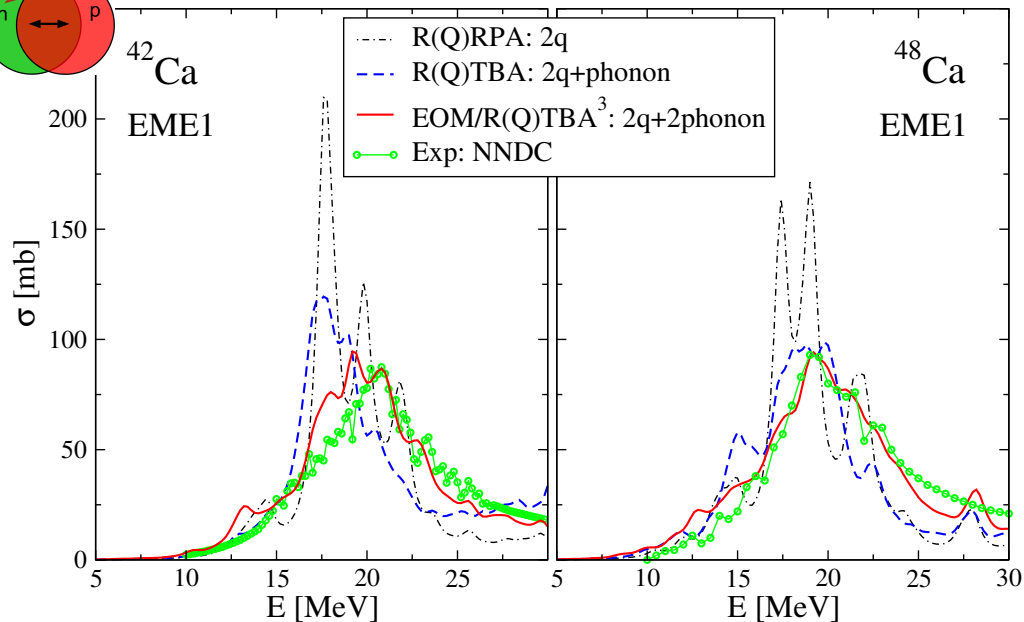
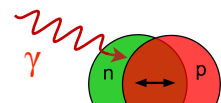
Gross structure



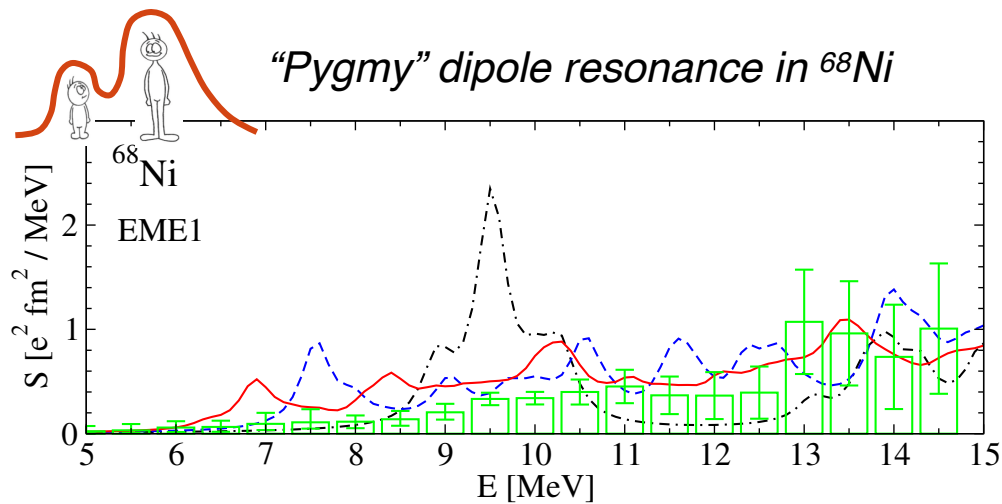
Fine structure



## Giant dipole resonance in $^{42,48}\text{Ca}$



## "Pygmy" dipole resonance in $^{68}\text{Ni}$



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

# Excitation spectrum: Hierarchy of configuration complexity

**A high-quality self-consistent (Q)RPA is the key to quantitative success:**

*N. Paar, T. Niksic, D. Vretenar, P. Ring et al.*

*Rep. Prog. Phys. 70, 691 (2007)*

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**Beyond-RQRPA: fully parameter-free**

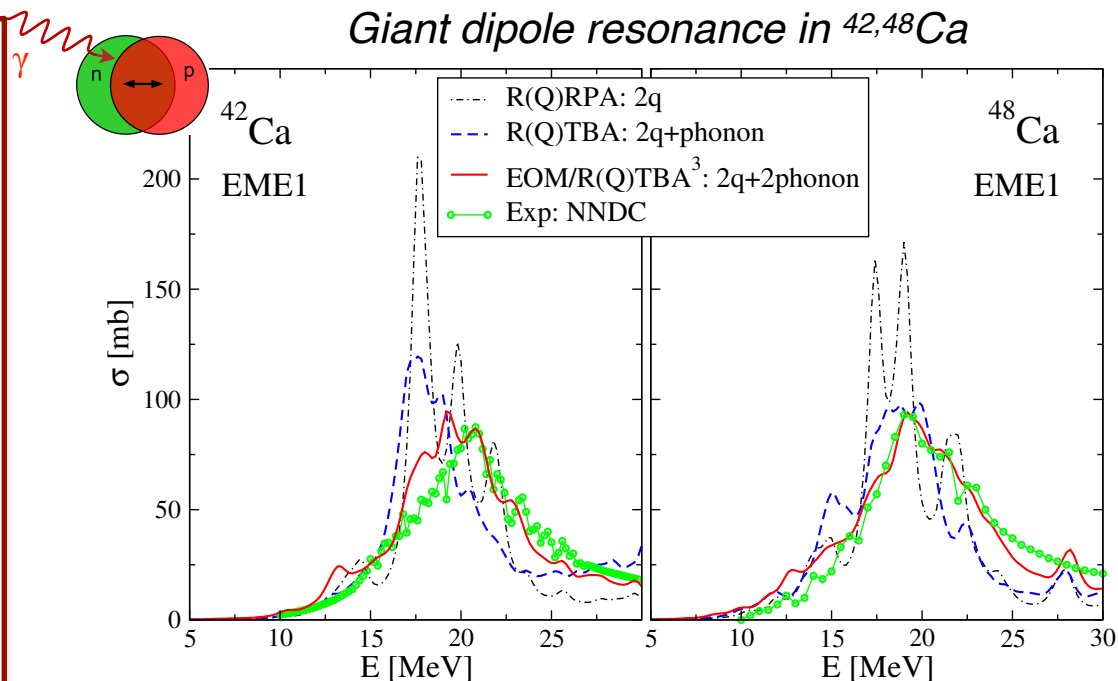
• The RQRPA solutions are the building blocks.

• Reasonable energies and transition probabilities of the RQRPA modes are extremely important for the quantitative success.

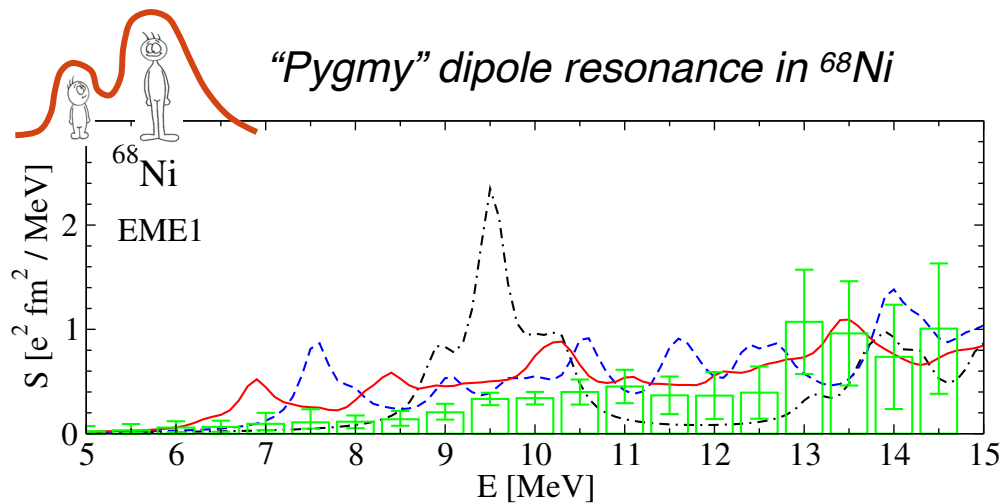
• Beyond-RQRPA correlations can be included based on the same computational framework.

• Cross-check: Momentum-space vs configuration (Dirac) space solutions.

## Giant dipole resonance in $^{42,48}\text{Ca}$

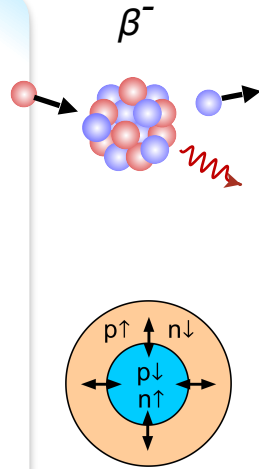
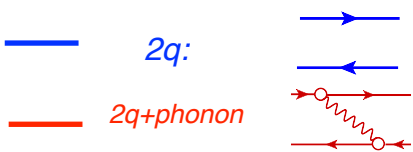
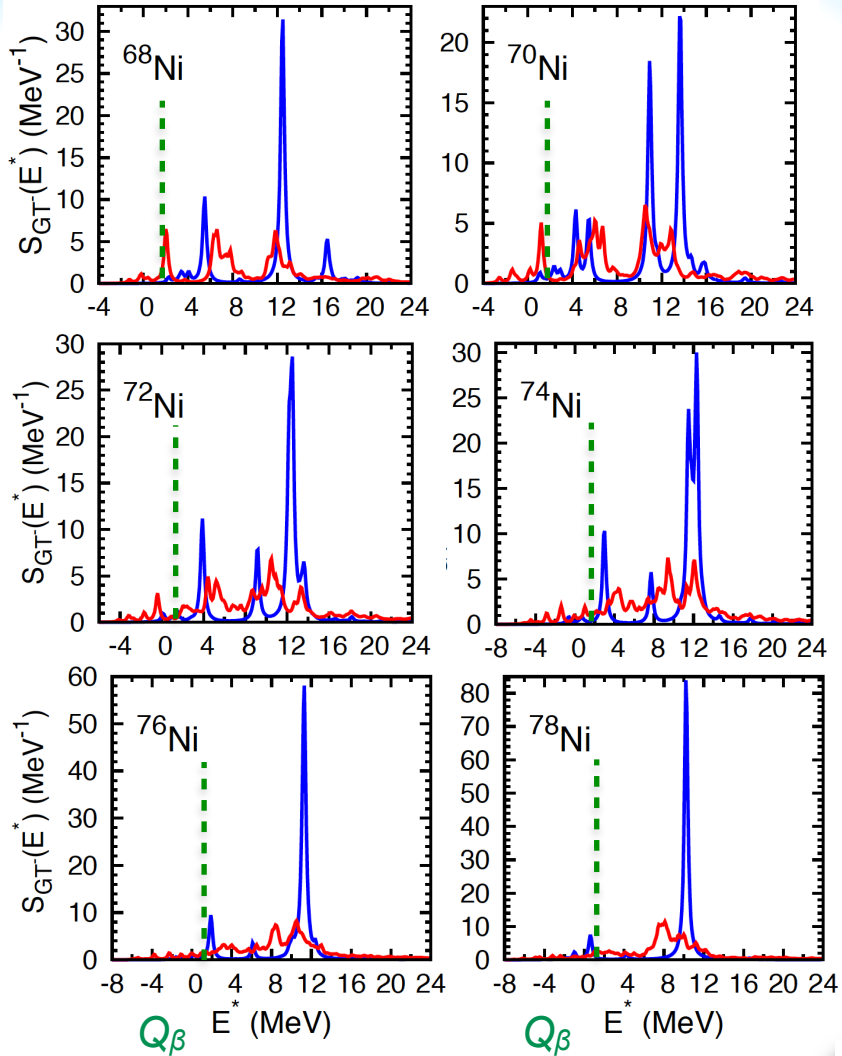


## "Pygmy" dipole resonance in $^{68}\text{Ni}$



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

# Spin-isospin excitations: Gamow-Teller resonance in neutron-rich nickel

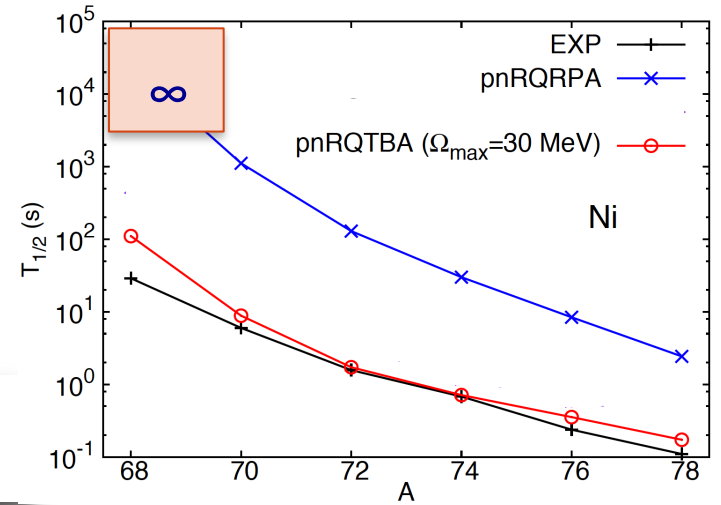


Excitation operator:

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

$\beta^-$  decay half-life

$$T_{1/2}^{-1} = \frac{g_A^2}{D} \int_{Q_\beta} f(Z, \Delta_{np} - E) S(E) dE$$

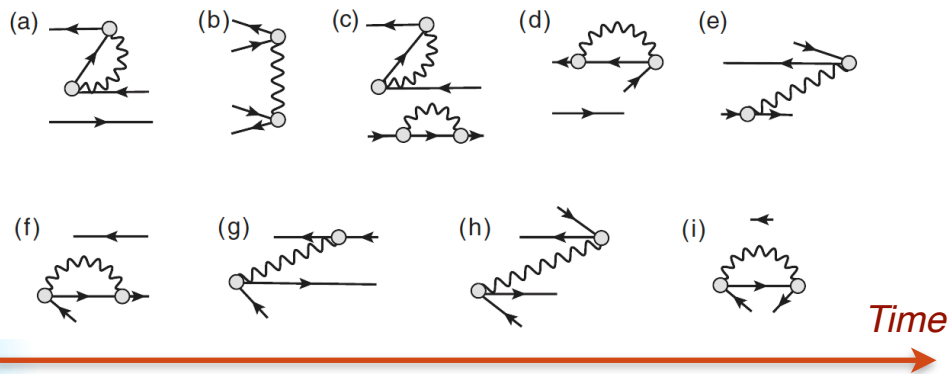


C. Robin, E.L., EPJA 52, 205

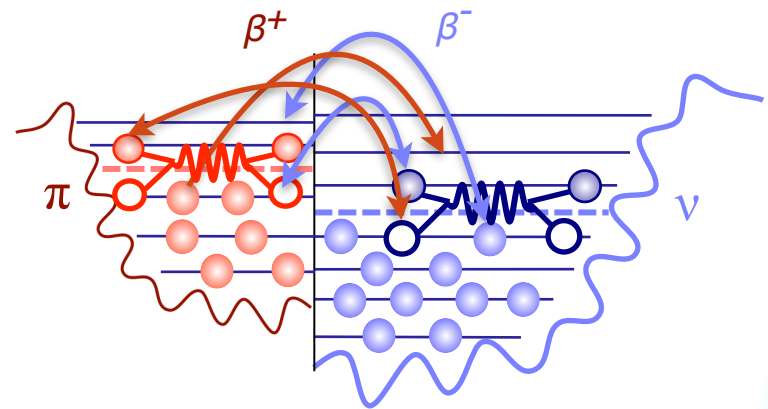


# More correlations: Emergent "time machine"

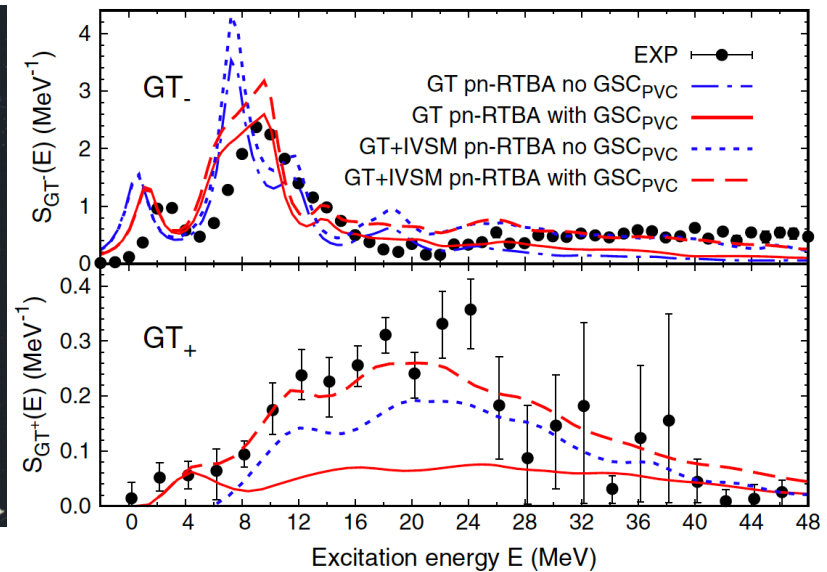
Ground state correlations induced by QVC:  
backward-going diagrams (V. Tselyaev, 1989)



New unblocking mechanism:



Gamow-Teller strength in 90-Zr:

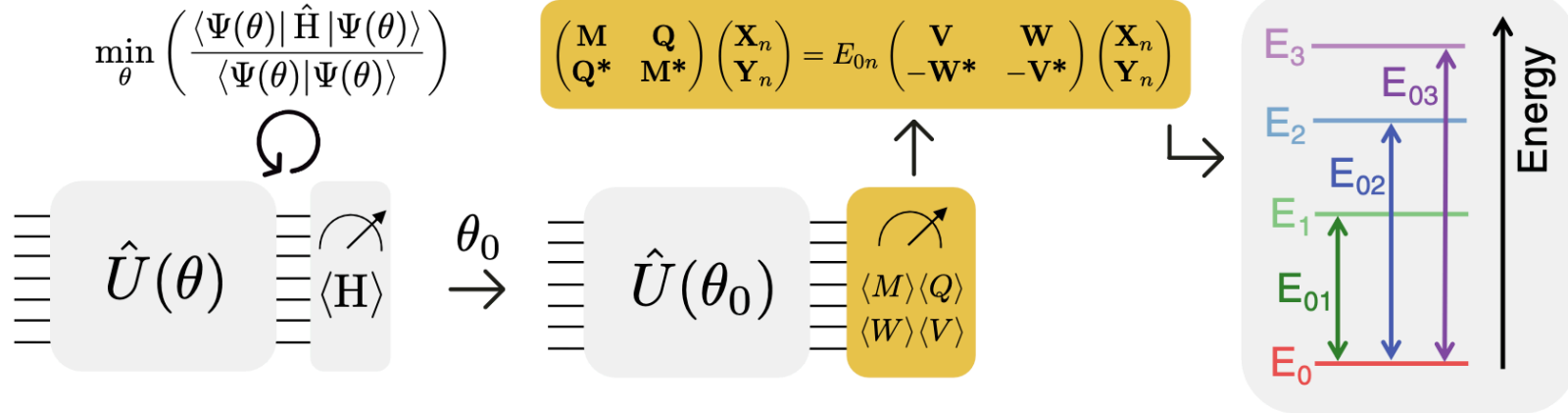


The backward-going diagrams are solely responsible  
for the  $\beta^+$  strength in neutron-rich nuclei

C. Robin, E.L., *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 123, 202501 (2019)

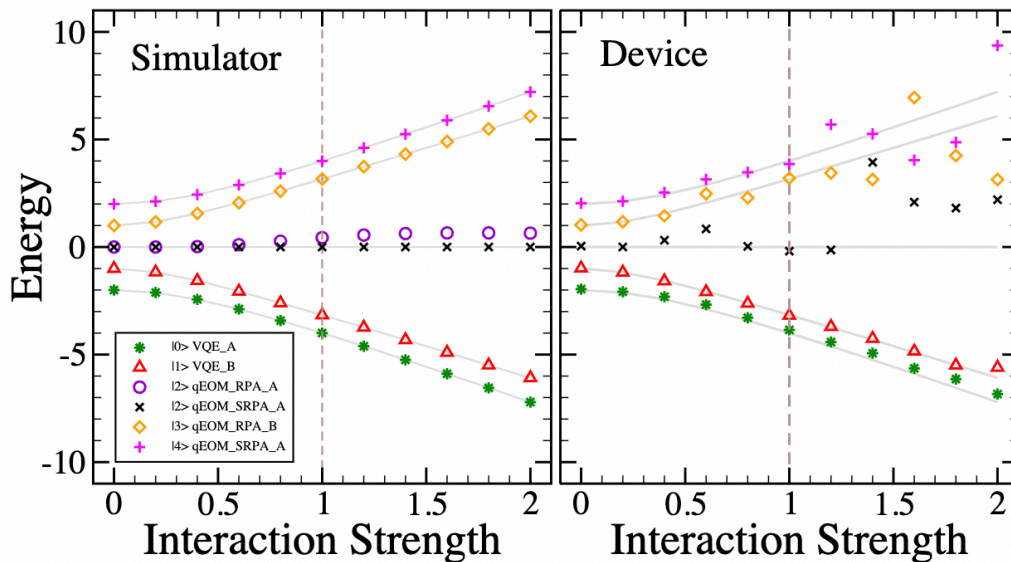
# Atomic nuclei on quantum computer: accessing emergence via entanglement

Variational Quantum Eigensolver (VQE) + Quantum Equation of Motion (qEOM):



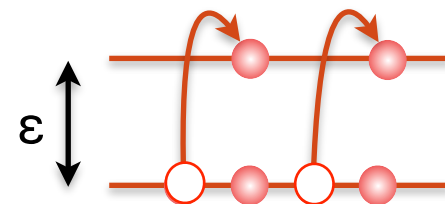
P. Ollitrault et al., Phys. Rev. Res. 2, 043140 (2020)

Implementation for  $N = 4$  (IBM-Q): RPA vs SRPA vs exact



Two-level Lipkin Hamiltonian:  
**exactly solvable**

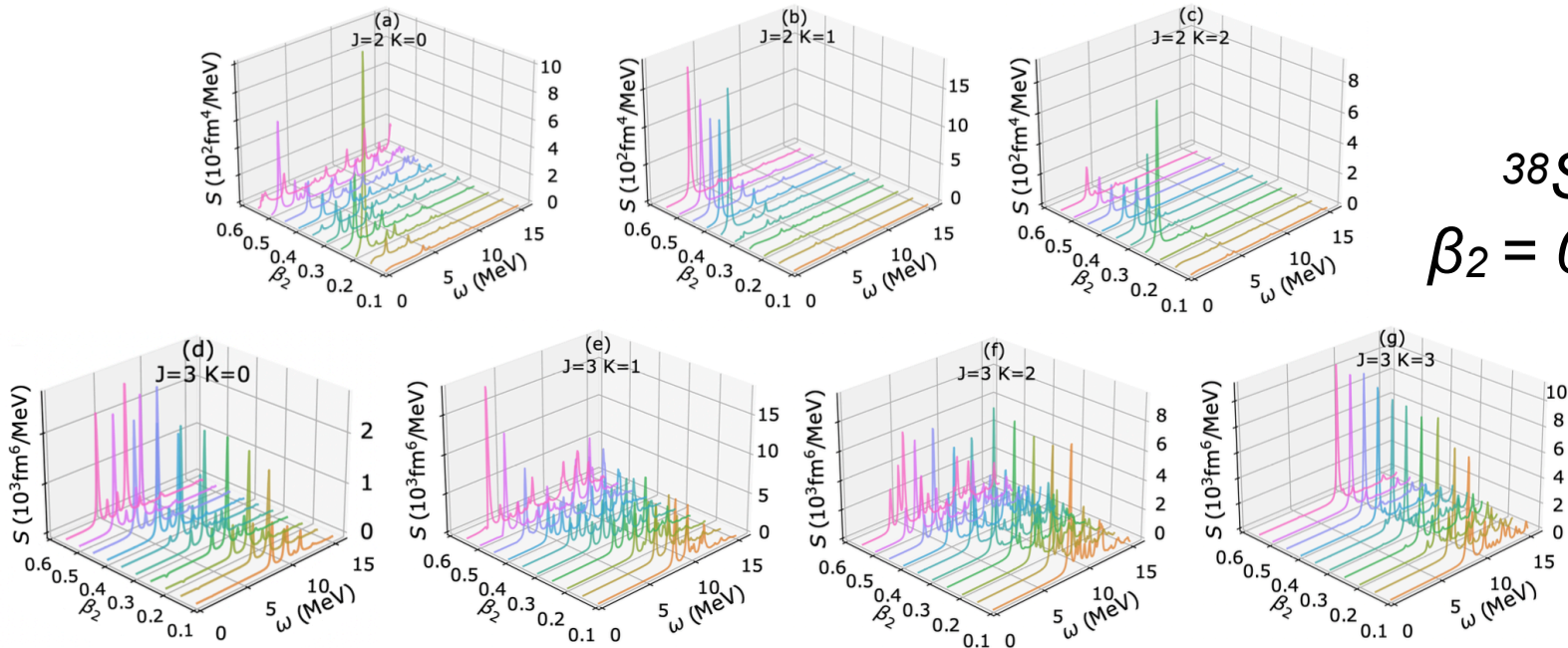
$$\hat{H} = \epsilon \hat{J}_z - \frac{v}{2} (\hat{J}_+^2 + \hat{J}_-^2)$$



M. Hlatshwayo et al., Phys. Rev. C 106, 024319 (2022)

# Single-(quasi)particle states. New implementation: FAM-QRPA+QVC for deformed nuclei

(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:

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

Variation of the HFB Hamiltonian at the QRPA pole

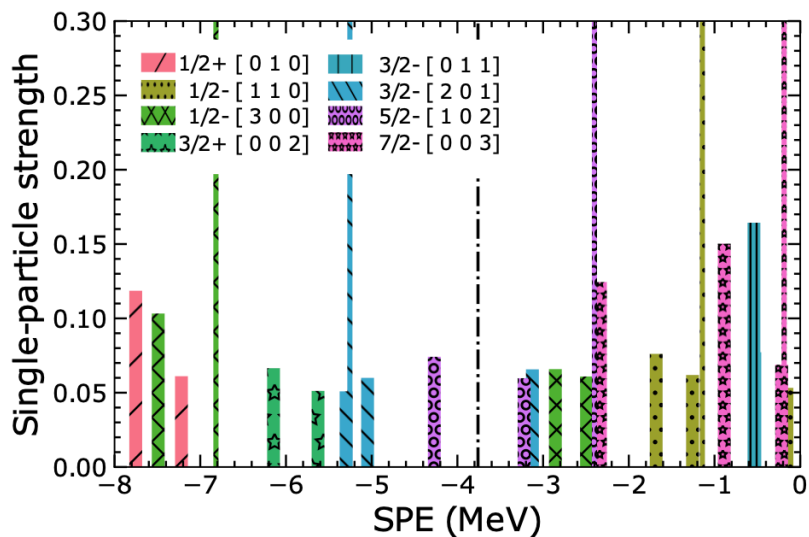
(v) Dyson Eq. solution

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

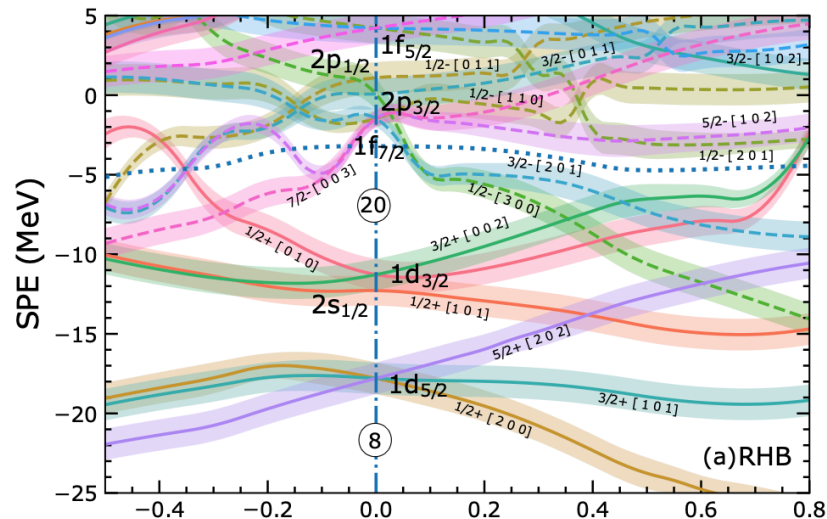


# Single-(quasi)particle states in $^{38}\text{Si}$

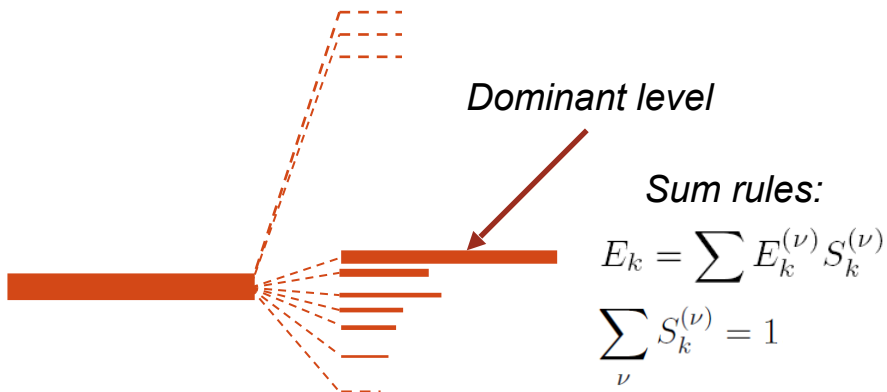
Fragmentation of quasiparticle states:  
RHB vs RHB+QVC



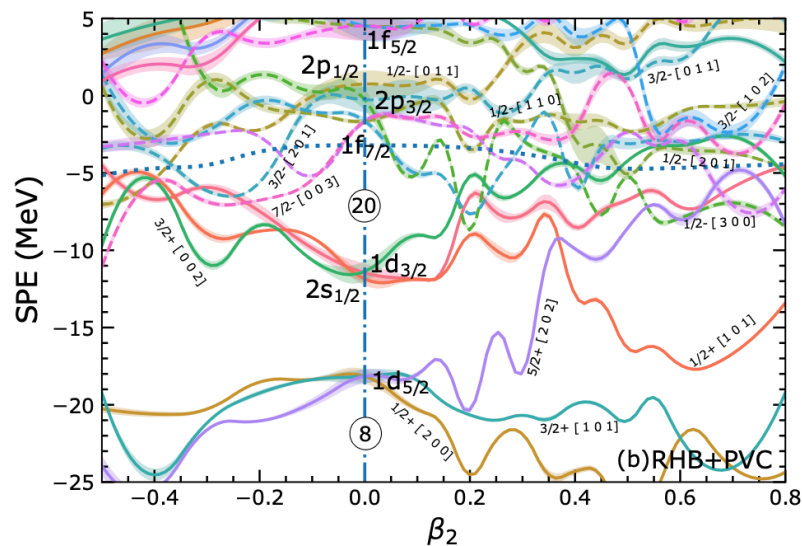
Nilsson diagram: RHB



Fragmentation mechanism: schematic



Nilsson diagram: RHB+QVC (dominant only)





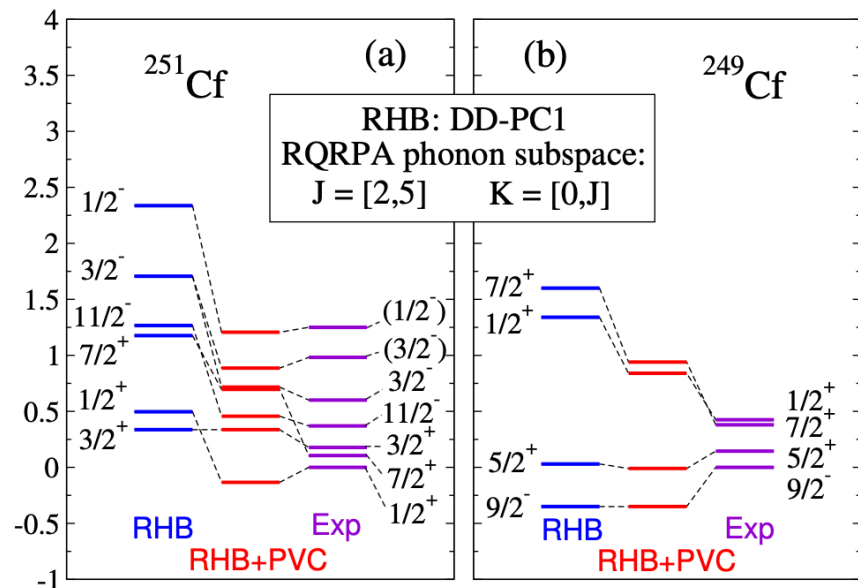
# Single-(quasi)particle states in $^{249,251}\text{Cf}$

A. Afanasjev et al.: Long-standing problem of the description of single-particle states in deformed nuclei.

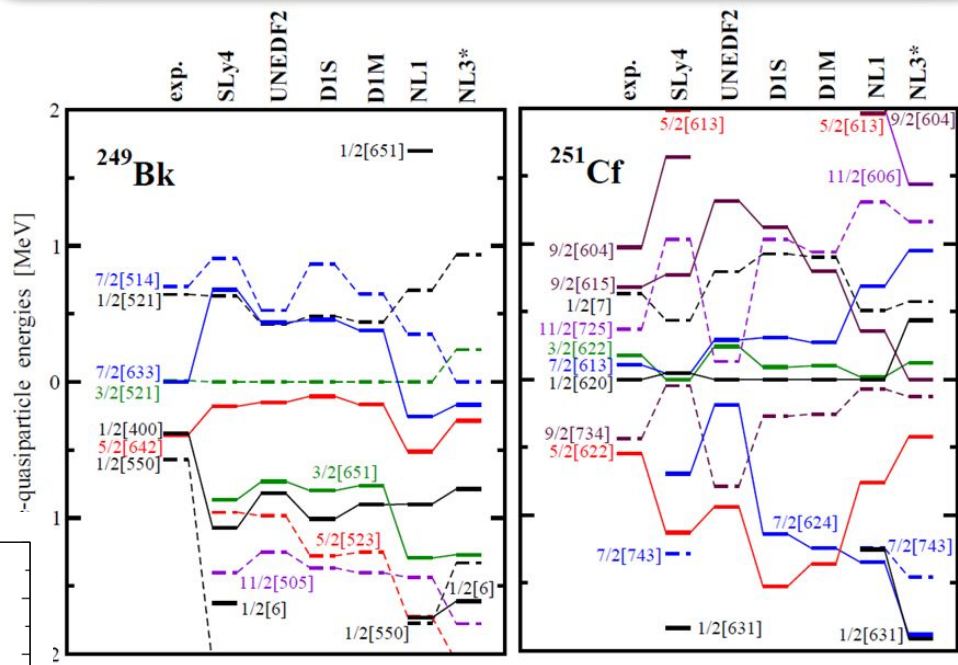
Systematic studies for  $^{249}\text{Bk}$  and  $^{251}\text{Cf}$  in the mean-field approximation:

$$^{250}\text{Cf}$$

$$\beta_2 = 0.29$$



Deformed one-quasiparticle states: covariant and non-relativistic mean-field calculations vs experiment:



Beyond mean field: RHB+QVC calculations. Dominant fragments in  $^{251}\text{Cf}$  and  $^{249}\text{Cf}$ .

The spectroscopic factors are quenched even stronger than in spherical nuclei. Can this be measured?

# Finite amplitude method extended beyond QRPA (preliminary):

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):

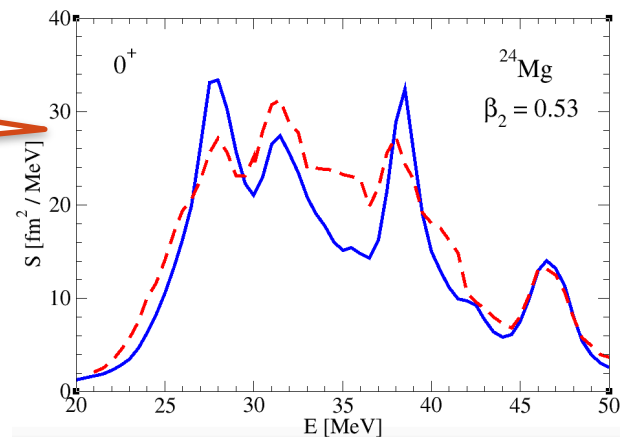
$$\Phi_{\mu\nu'\nu\mu'}^{(+)}(\omega) = \sum_n \left[ \delta_{\mu\mu'} \sum_{\nu''} \frac{\bar{\Gamma}_{\nu''\nu}^{(11)n} \bar{\Gamma}_{\nu''\nu'}^{(11)n*}}{\omega - E_{\mu} - E_{\nu''} - \omega_n} + \delta_{\nu\nu'} \sum_{\mu''} \frac{\Gamma_{\mu\mu''}^{(11)n} \Gamma_{\mu'\mu''}^{(11)n*}}{\omega - E_{\mu''}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

E.L., Y. Zhang, arXiv:2208.07843

**Proof of principle:**  
GMR in 24-Mg  
in a restricted model space

**Ongoing:**

- Convergence improvement
- Optimization
- Cross-check routines



# Finite-temperature response: the ph+phonon dynamical kernel

$$R_{12,1'2'}(t-t') = -i \langle \mathcal{T}(\psi_1^\dagger \psi_2)(t) \psi_2^\dagger, \psi_{1'}(t') \rangle \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_{12,1'2'}(t-t') = -i \langle \mathcal{T}(\psi_1^\dagger \psi_2)(t) \psi_2^\dagger, \psi_{1'}(t') \rangle_T$$

$$\langle \dots \rangle \equiv \langle 0 | \dots | 0 \rangle \rightarrow \langle \dots \rangle_T \equiv \sum_n \exp\left(-\frac{\Omega - E_n - \mu N}{T}\right) \langle n | \dots | n \rangle$$

averages



thermal averages

**Method: EOM  
for Matsubara  
Green's functions**

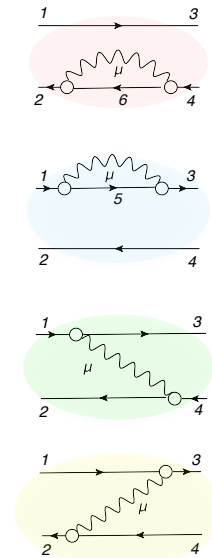


$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}_{14,23}(\omega, T) &= \tilde{\mathcal{R}}_{14,23}^0(\omega, T) + \\ &+ \sum_{1'2'3'4'} \tilde{\mathcal{R}}_{12',21'}^0(\omega, T) [\tilde{V}_{1'4',2'3'}(T) + \delta\Phi_{1'4',2'3'}(\omega, T)] \mathcal{R}_{3'4',4'3}(\omega, T) \\ \delta\Phi_{1'4',2'3'}(\omega, T) &= \Phi_{1'4',2'3'}(\omega, T) - \Phi_{1'4',2'3'}(0, T) \end{aligned}$$

$T > 0$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{14,23}^{(ph)}(\omega, T) &= \frac{1}{n_{43}(T)} \sum_{\mu; \eta_\mu = \pm 1} \eta_\mu \left[ \delta_{13} \sum_6 \gamma_{\mu;62}^{\eta_\mu} \gamma_{\mu;64}^{\eta_\mu*} \times \right. \\ &\times \frac{(N(\eta_\mu \Omega_\mu) + n_6(T))(n(\varepsilon_6 - \eta_\mu \Omega_\mu, T) - n_1(T))}{\omega - \varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_6 - \eta_\mu \Omega_\mu} + \\ &+ \delta_{24} \sum_5 \gamma_{\mu;15}^{\eta_\mu} \gamma_{\mu;35}^{\eta_\mu*} \times \\ &\times \frac{(N(\eta_\mu \Omega_\mu) + n_2(T))(n(\varepsilon_2 - \eta_\mu \Omega_\mu, T) - n_5(T))}{\omega - \varepsilon_5 + \varepsilon_2 - \eta_\mu \Omega_\mu} - \\ &- \gamma_{\mu;13}^{\eta_\mu} \gamma_{\mu;24}^{\eta_\mu*} \times \\ &\times \frac{(N(\eta_\mu \Omega_\mu) + n_2(T))(n(\varepsilon_2 - \eta_\mu \Omega_\mu, T) - n_3(T))}{\omega - \varepsilon_3 + \varepsilon_2 - \eta_\mu \Omega_\mu} - \\ &- \gamma_{\mu;31}^{\eta_\mu*} \gamma_{\mu;42}^{\eta_\mu} \times \\ &\left. \times \frac{(N(\eta_\mu \Omega_\mu) + n_4(T))(n(\varepsilon_4 - \eta_\mu \Omega_\mu, T) - n_1(T))}{\omega - \varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_4 - \eta_\mu \Omega_\mu} \right], \end{aligned}$$

1p1h+phonon dynamical kernel:



$T = 0$ :

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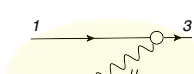
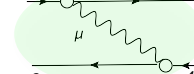
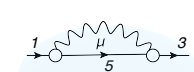
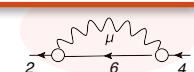
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Method: EOM for Matsubara Green's functions

See the talk of Herlik Wibowo

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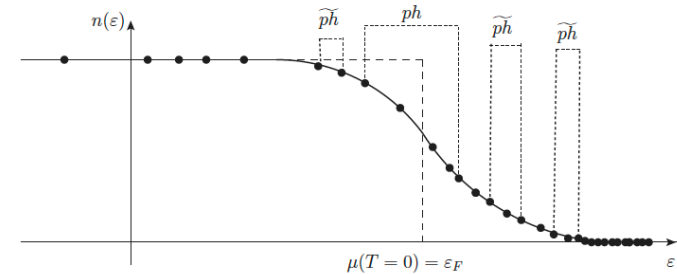
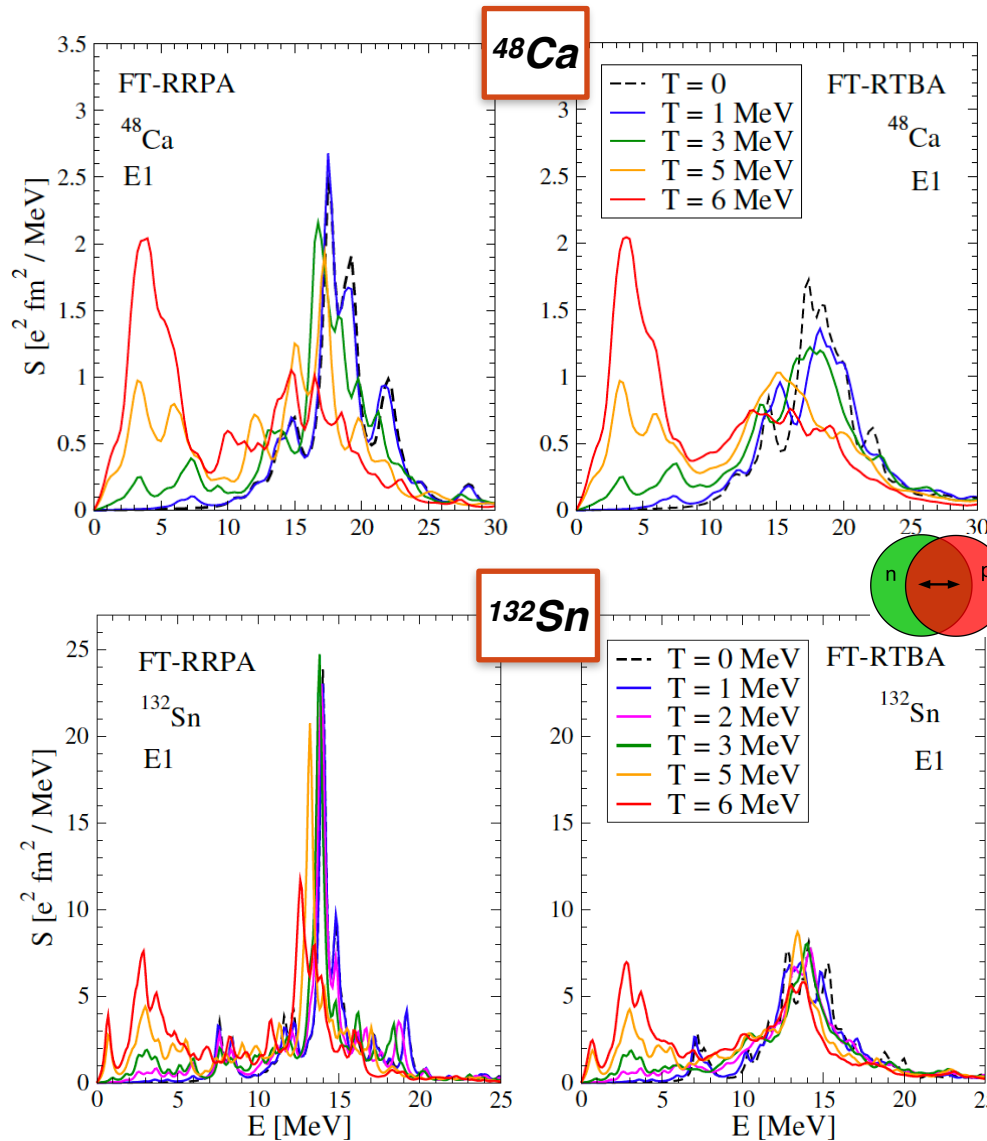


# Dipole Strength at $T > 0$ : $^{48}\text{Ca}$ and $^{132}\text{Sn}$

Static only (FT-RRPA)

Static + dynamic (FT-RTBA)

Thermal unblocking:



0th approximation:  
Uncorrelated propagator  $\tilde{R}_{14,23}^0(\omega) = \delta_{13}\delta_{24} \frac{n_2 - n_1}{\omega - \epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2}$

- New transitions due to the thermal unblocking effects
- More collective and non-collective modes contribute to the PVC self-energy (~400 modes at  $T=5-6$  MeV)
- Broadening of the resulting GDR spectrum
- Development of the low-energy part => a feedback to GDR

- The spurious translation mode is properly decoupled as the mean field is modified consistently
- The role of the new terms in the  $\Phi$  amplitude increases with temperature
- The role of dynamical correlations and fragmentation remain significant in the high-energy part

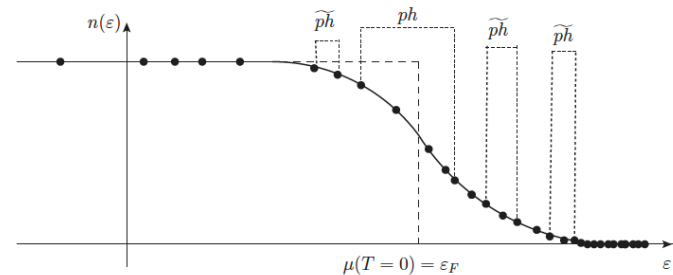
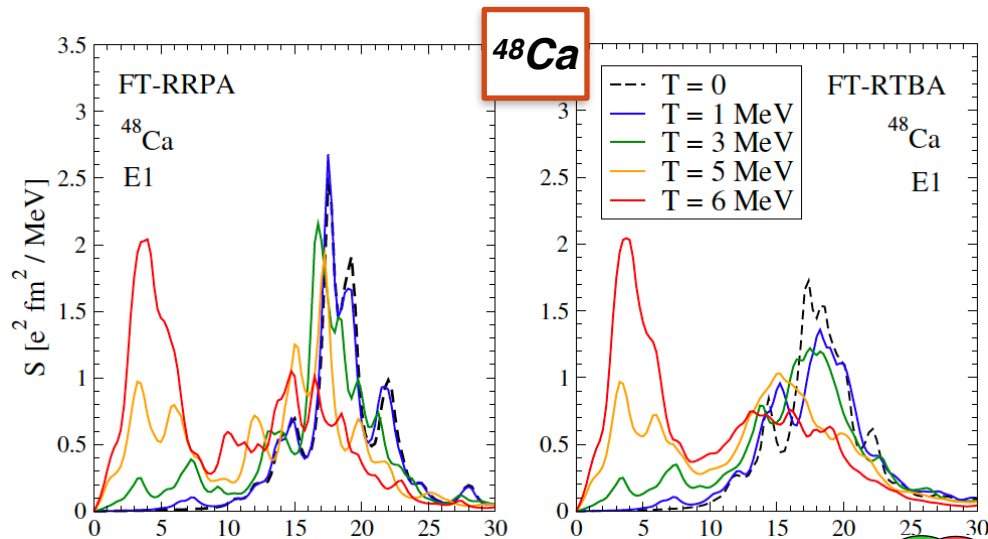
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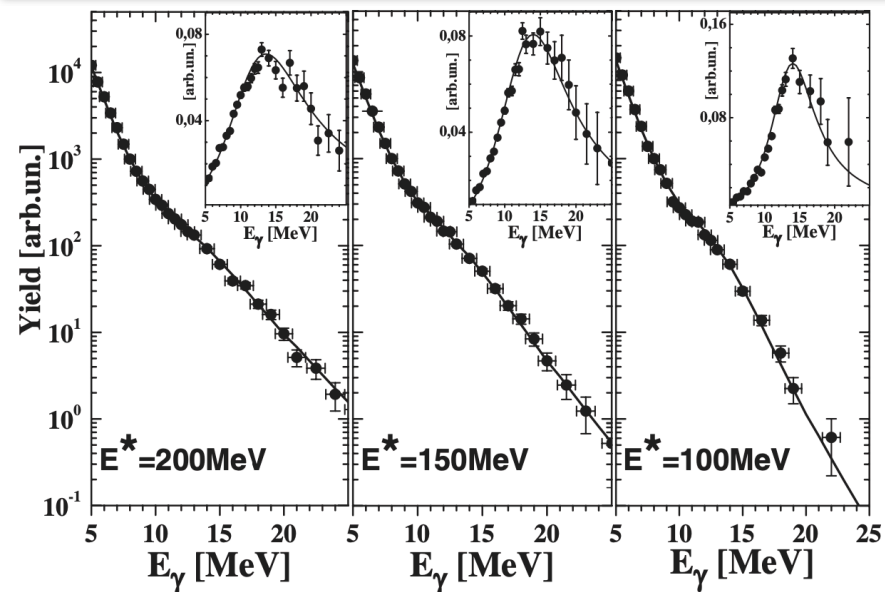
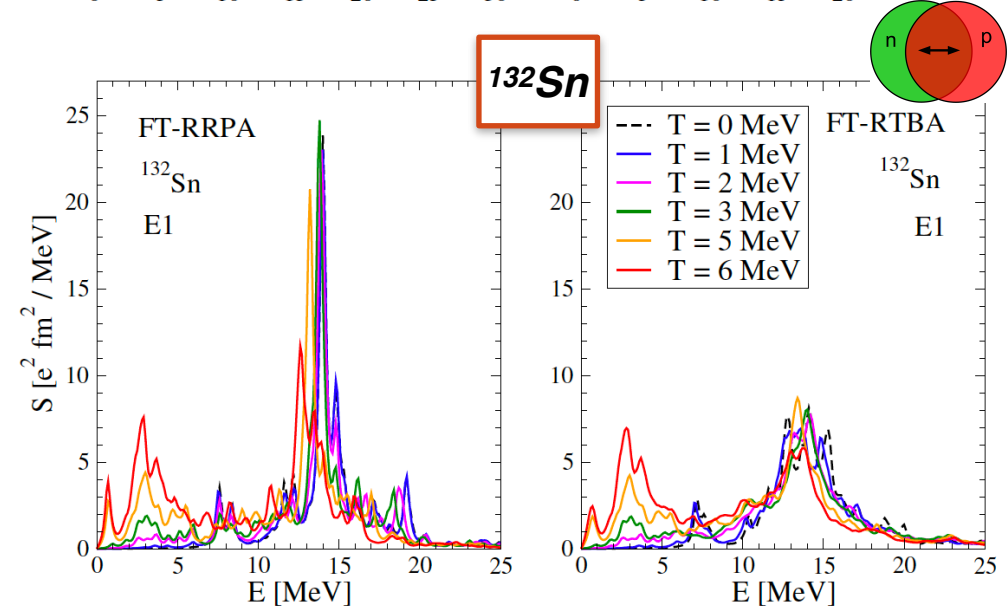
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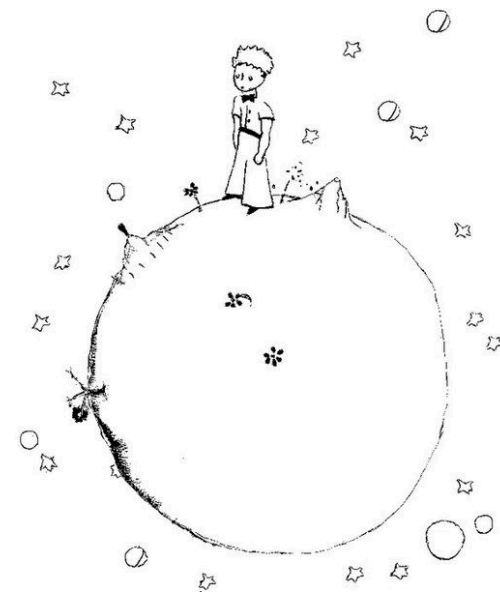
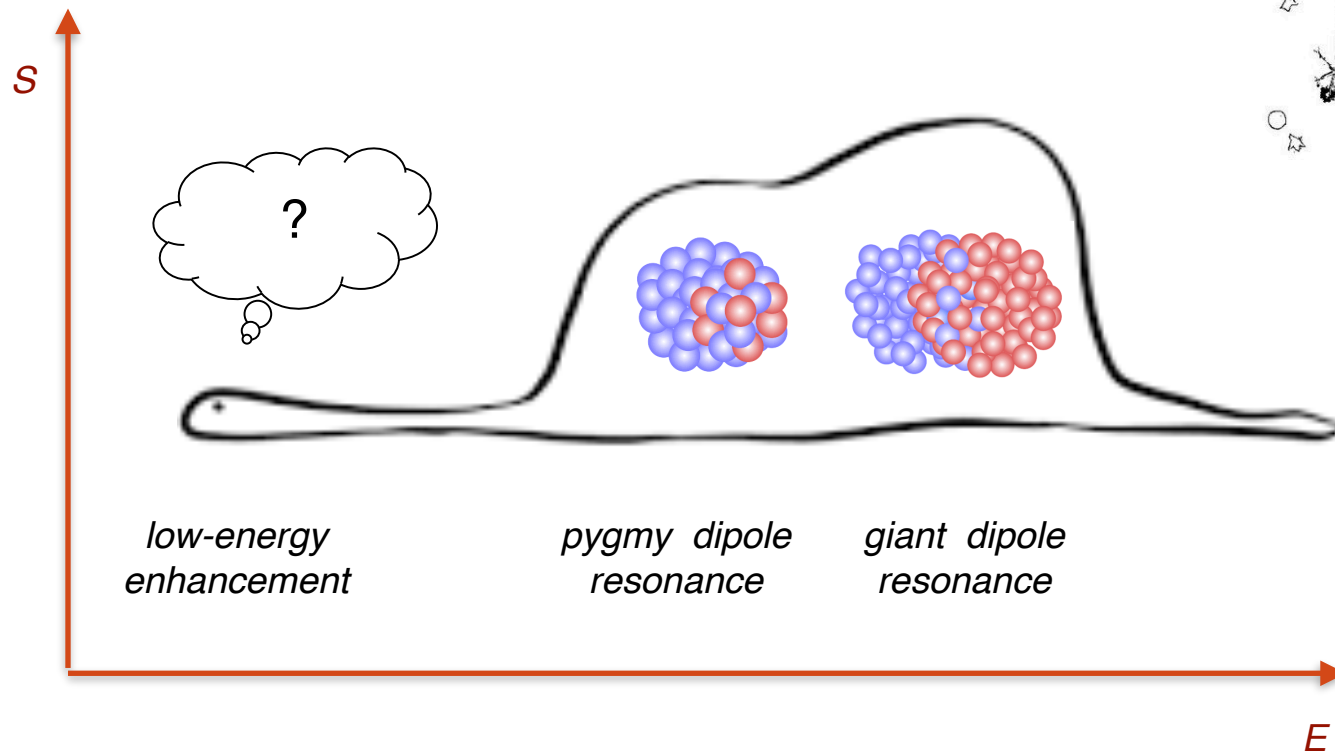


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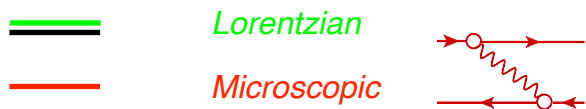
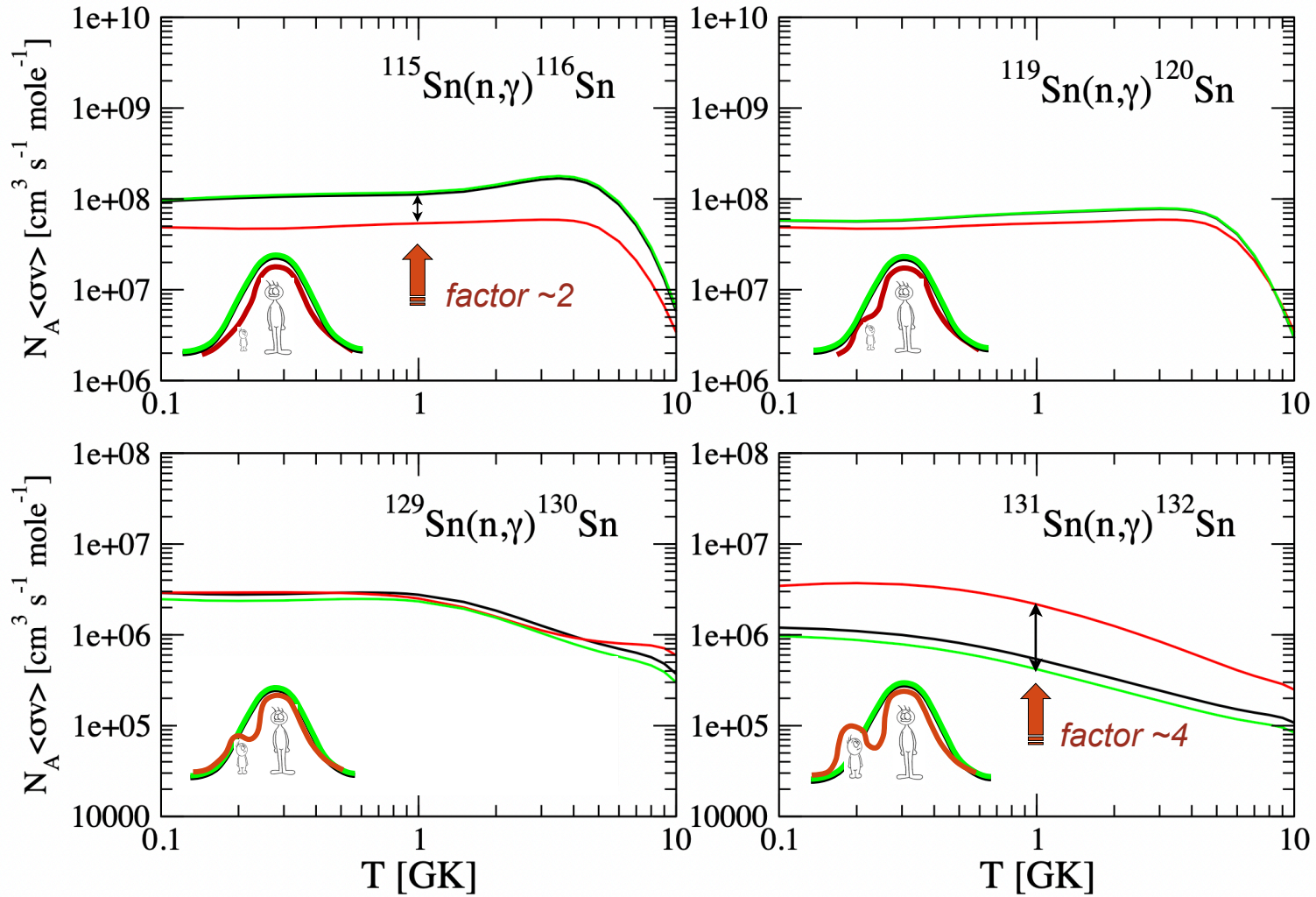
O. Wieland et al., PRL 97, 012501 (2006):  
 GDR in  $^{132}\text{Ce}$



# Dipole strength in r-process nuclei



# $(n,\gamma)$ stellar reaction rates





# Strength functions at finite temperature

Response redefined:

$$R_{12,1'2'}(t-t') = -i \langle \mathcal{T}(\psi_1^\dagger \psi_2)(t) \psi_2^\dagger \psi_{1'}(t') \rangle \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_{12,1'2'}(t-t') = -i \langle \mathcal{T}(\psi_1^\dagger \psi_2)(t) \psi_2^\dagger \psi_{1'}(t') \rangle_T$$

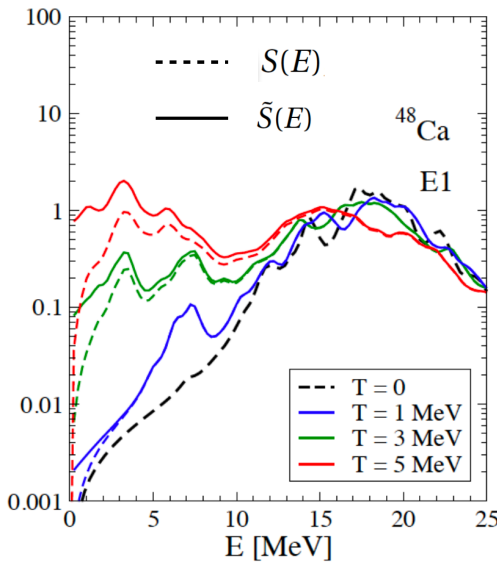
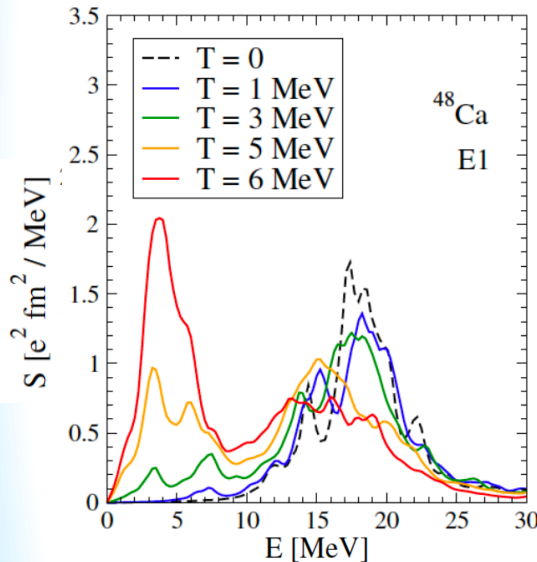
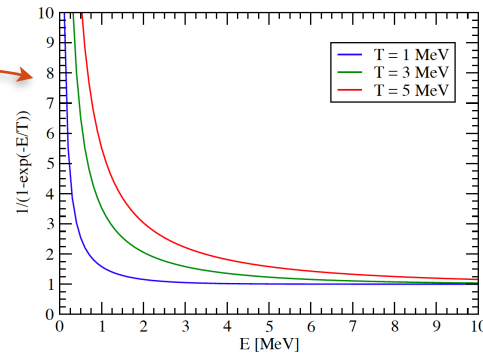
Grand Canonical average:  $\langle \dots \rangle \equiv \langle 0 | \dots | 0 \rangle \rightarrow \langle \dots \rangle_T \equiv \sum_n \exp\left(\frac{\Omega - E_n - \mu N}{T}\right) \langle n | \dots | n \rangle$

Dipole

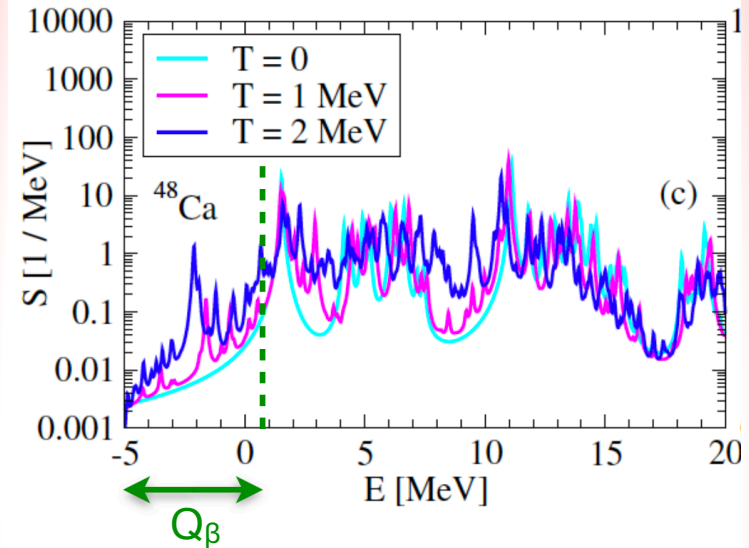
The "upbend":

$$\tilde{S}(E) = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-E/T}} S(E)$$

$$\lim_{E \rightarrow 0} S(E, T) = 0$$



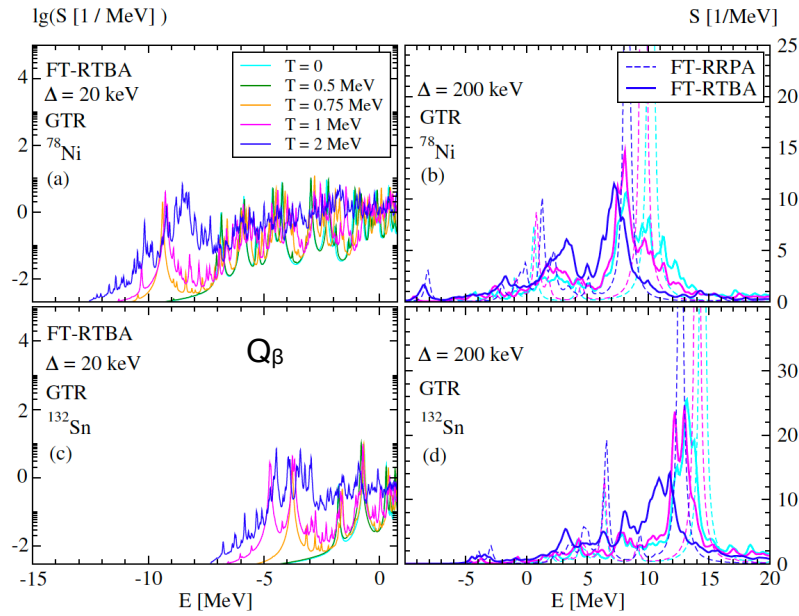
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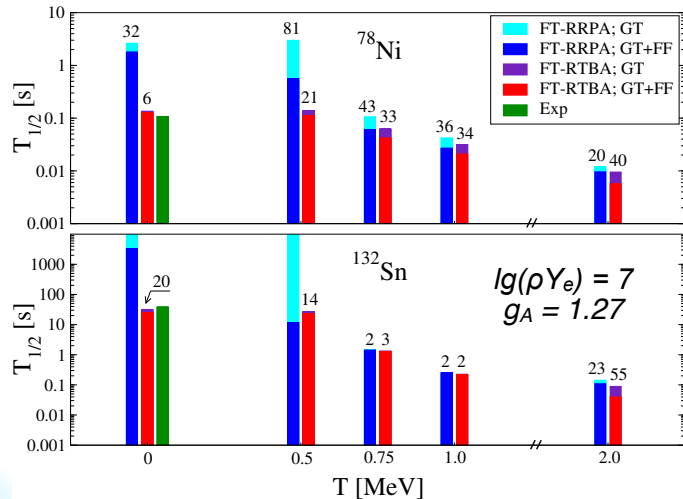
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# Spin-Isospin response and weak rates in hot stellar environments

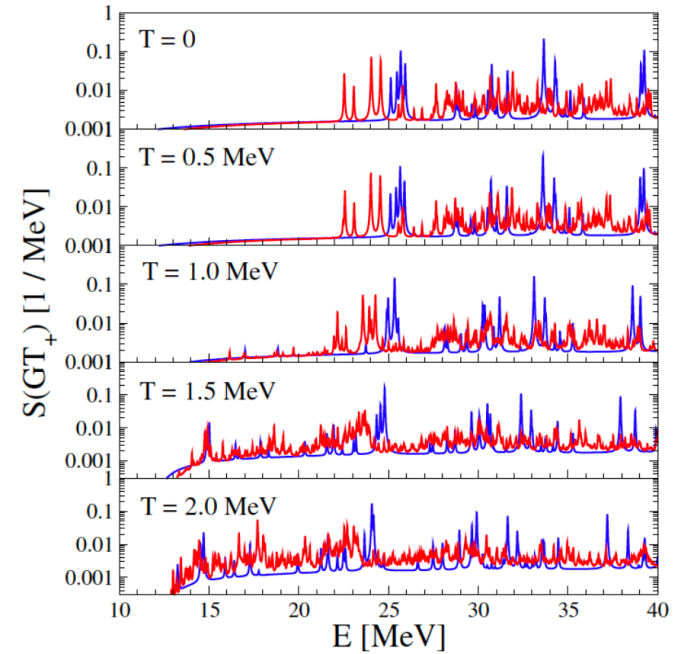
## Gamow-Teller $GT_-$ response of $^{78}\text{Ni}$ and $^{132}\text{Sn}$



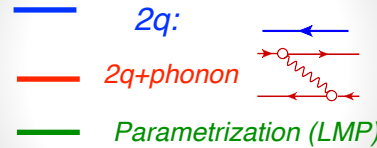
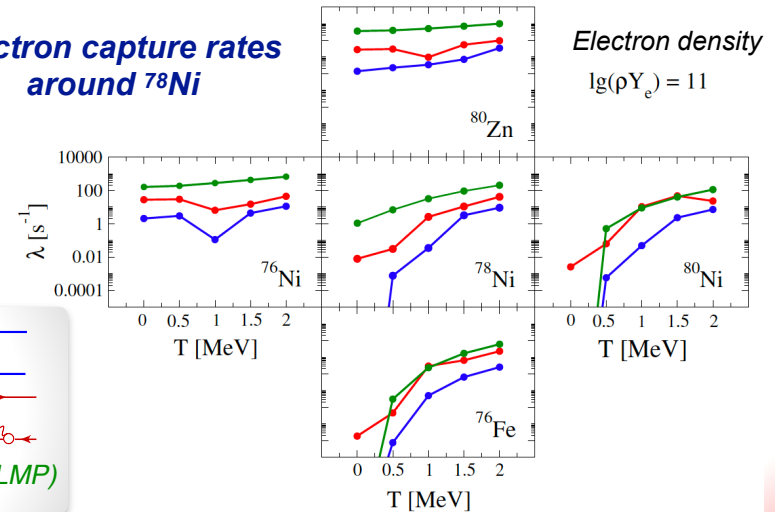
## Beta decay half-lives



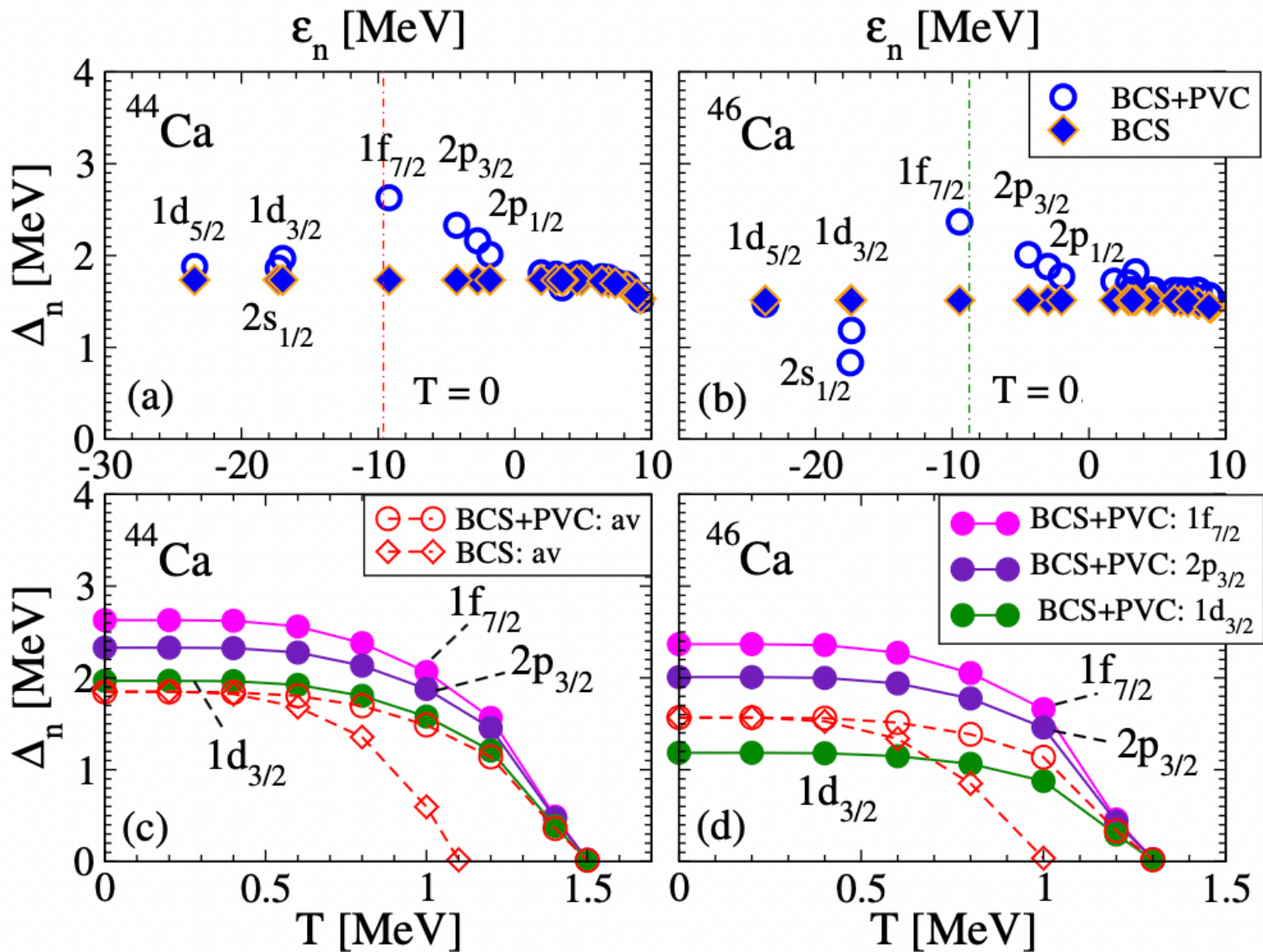
## Gamow-Teller $GT_+$ response of $^{78}\text{Ni}$



## Electron capture rates around $^{78}\text{Ni}$



Pairing gap at  $T = 0$ ,  $T > 0$  and critical temperature







# Outlook

## Summary:

- The nuclear field theory (NFT) is formulated and advanced in the Equation of Motion (EOM) framework, with the emphasis on **emergent collectivity**. Not the “self-consistent Green’s functions”. Not Second RPA.
- The **emergent collective effects** renormalize interactions in correlated media, underly the spectral fragmentation mechanisms, affect superfluidity and weak decay rates.
- Relativistic NFT is **generalized to finite temperature** and applied to neutral and charge-exchange response of medium-heavy nuclei.
- Weak rates at astrophysical conditions are extracted: **the correlations beyond mean field are found significant**.
- Uncertainties (of the many-body theory) are quantified via **building a hierarchy of approximations of growing complexity**.

## Current and future developments:

- **Deformed nuclei**: correlations vs shapes; first results just released (Yinu Zhang et al.);
- Efficient algorithms; **quantum computing** (Manqoba Hlatshwayo et al.);
- Implementation of the EC rates into the **core-collapse supernovae simulations**;
- Toward an “**ab initio**” description: implementations with bare NN-interactions (in-medium beyond-the-leading order, non-perturbative);
- **Superfluid pairing at  $T>0$**  to extend the application range (r-process);
- **Relativistic EOM’s, bosonic EOM’s, beyond Standard Model, ...**



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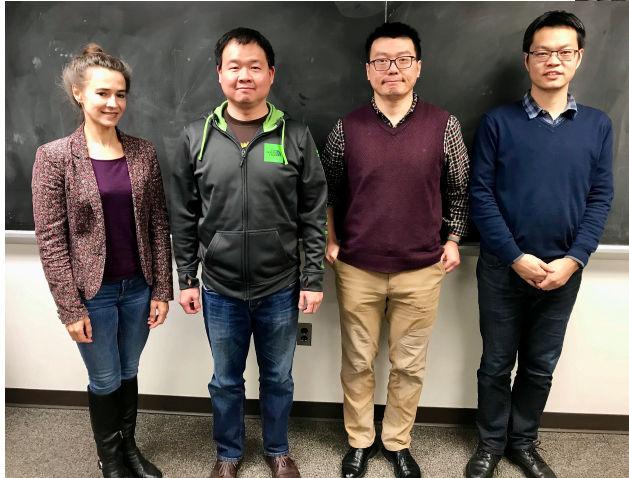
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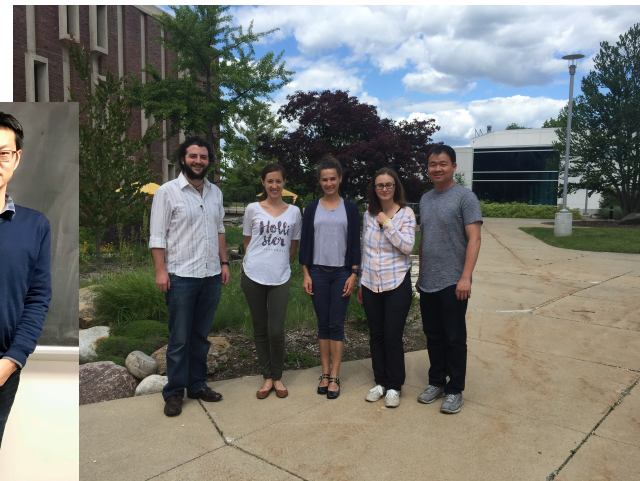
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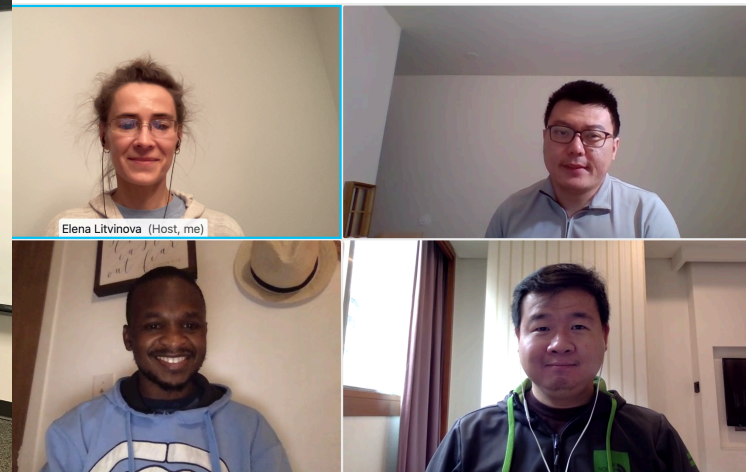
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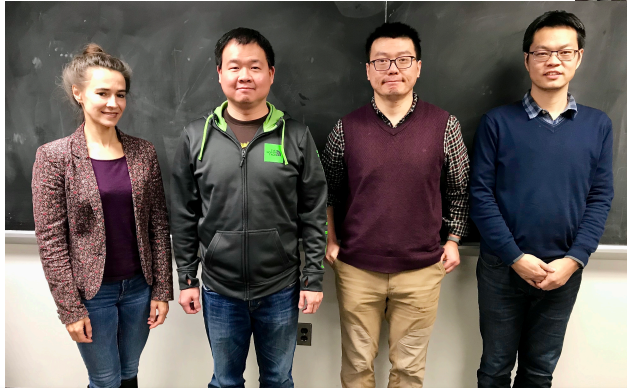




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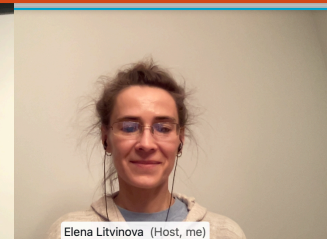
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