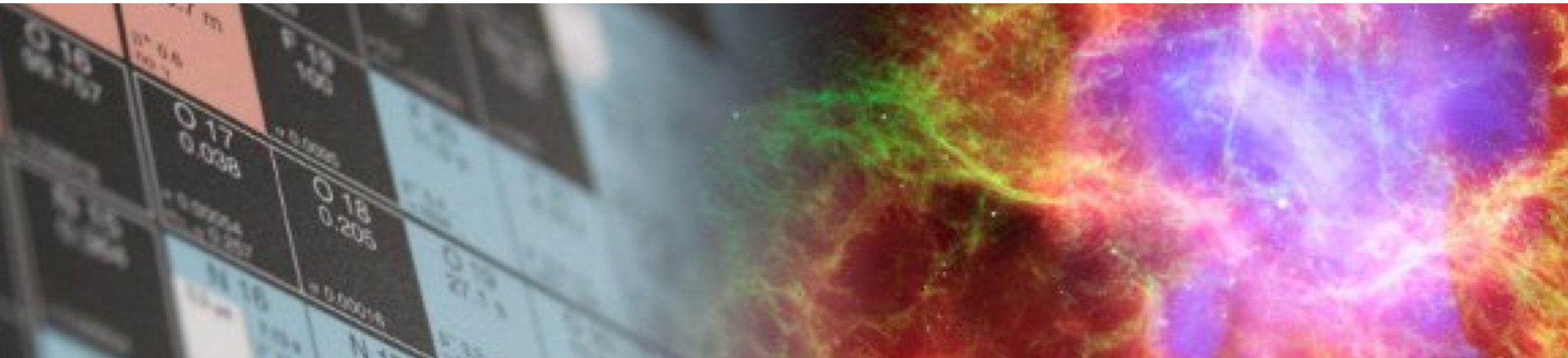


# Chiral effective field theory for nuclei and dark matter direct detection

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# Chiral EFT for nuclear forces

Separation of scales: low momenta  $\frac{1}{\lambda} = Q \ll \Lambda_b$  breakdown scale  $\sim 500$  MeV

	NN	3N	4N
LO $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{Q^0}{\Lambda^0}\right)$			
NLO $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2}\right)$			
N <sup>2</sup> LO $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{Q^3}{\Lambda^3}\right)$			
N <sup>3</sup> LO $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{Q^4}{\Lambda^4}\right)$			
	+ ...	(2011) ...	(2006) ...

include long-range pion physics

few short-range couplings,  
fit to experiment once

systematic: can work to desired  
accuracy and obtain **error estimates**

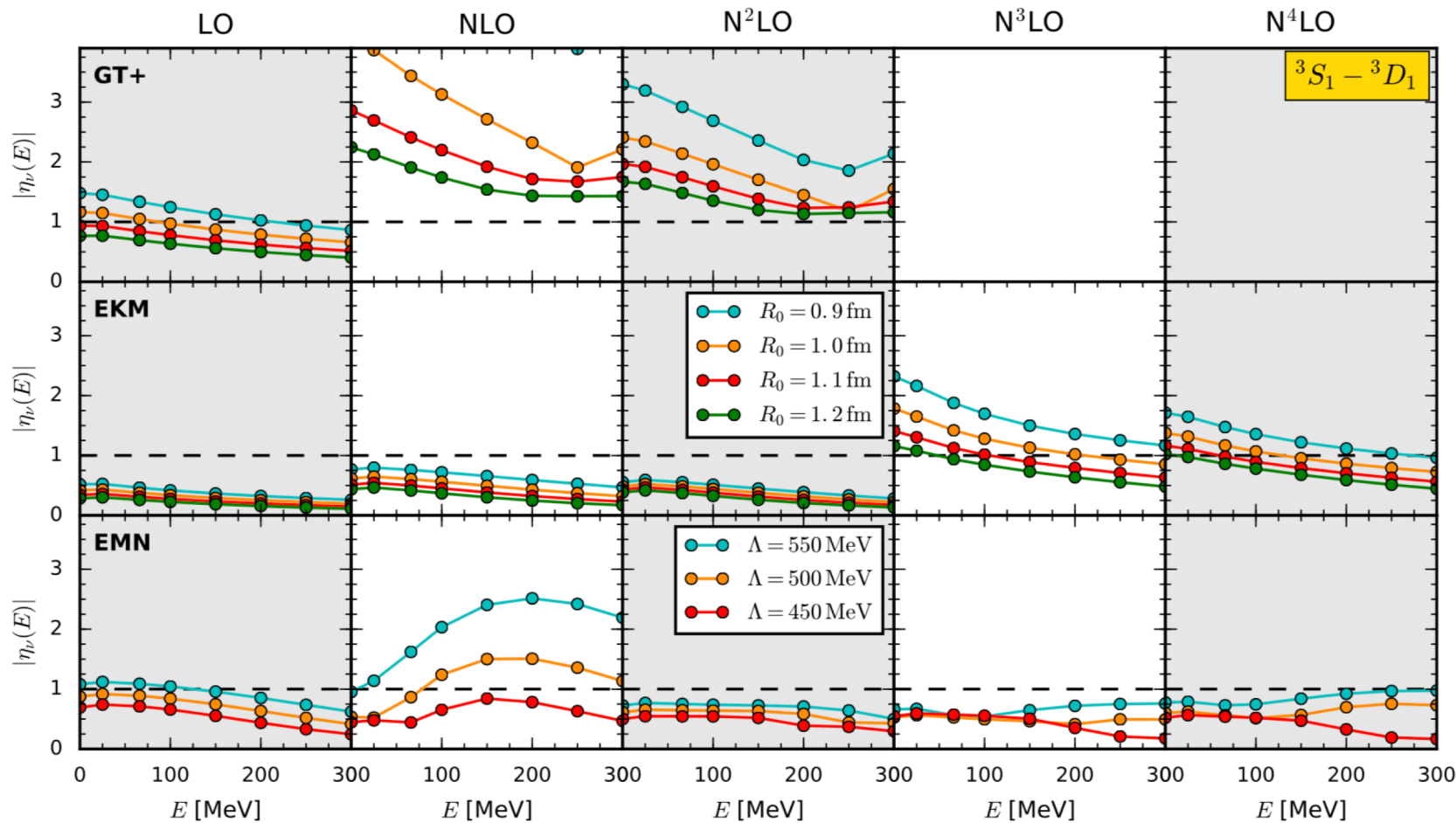
consistent **electroweak interactions**  
and **matching to lattice QCD**

from quarks to nucleons/pions for  
**coupling to beyond SM particles**

# Need to explore broader range of chiral EFT interactions

Weinberg eigenvalues of local GT+, semi-local EKM, nonlocal EMN

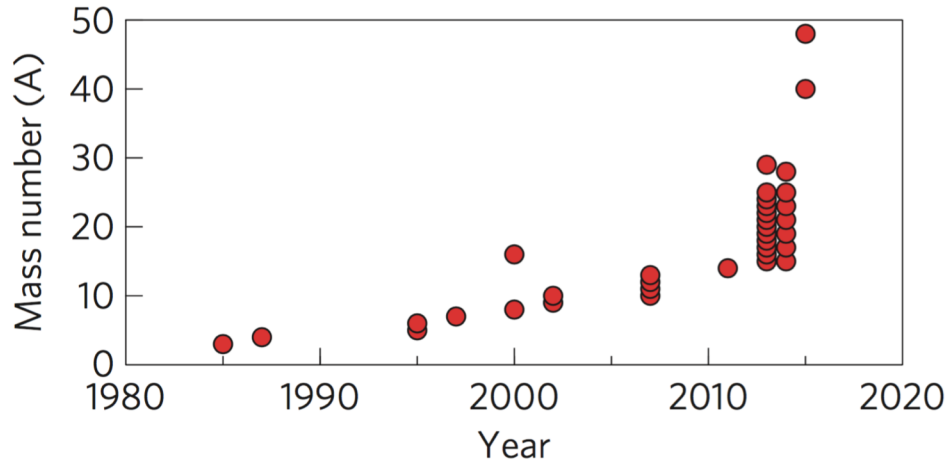
Hoppe, Drischler et al., PRC (2017)



- + soft local Durant, Huth et al., PLB (2018) and soft semi-local Reinert et al., EPJA (2018)
- + Delta-full potentials Piarulli et al., PRC (2015), Ekström et al., PRC (2018)

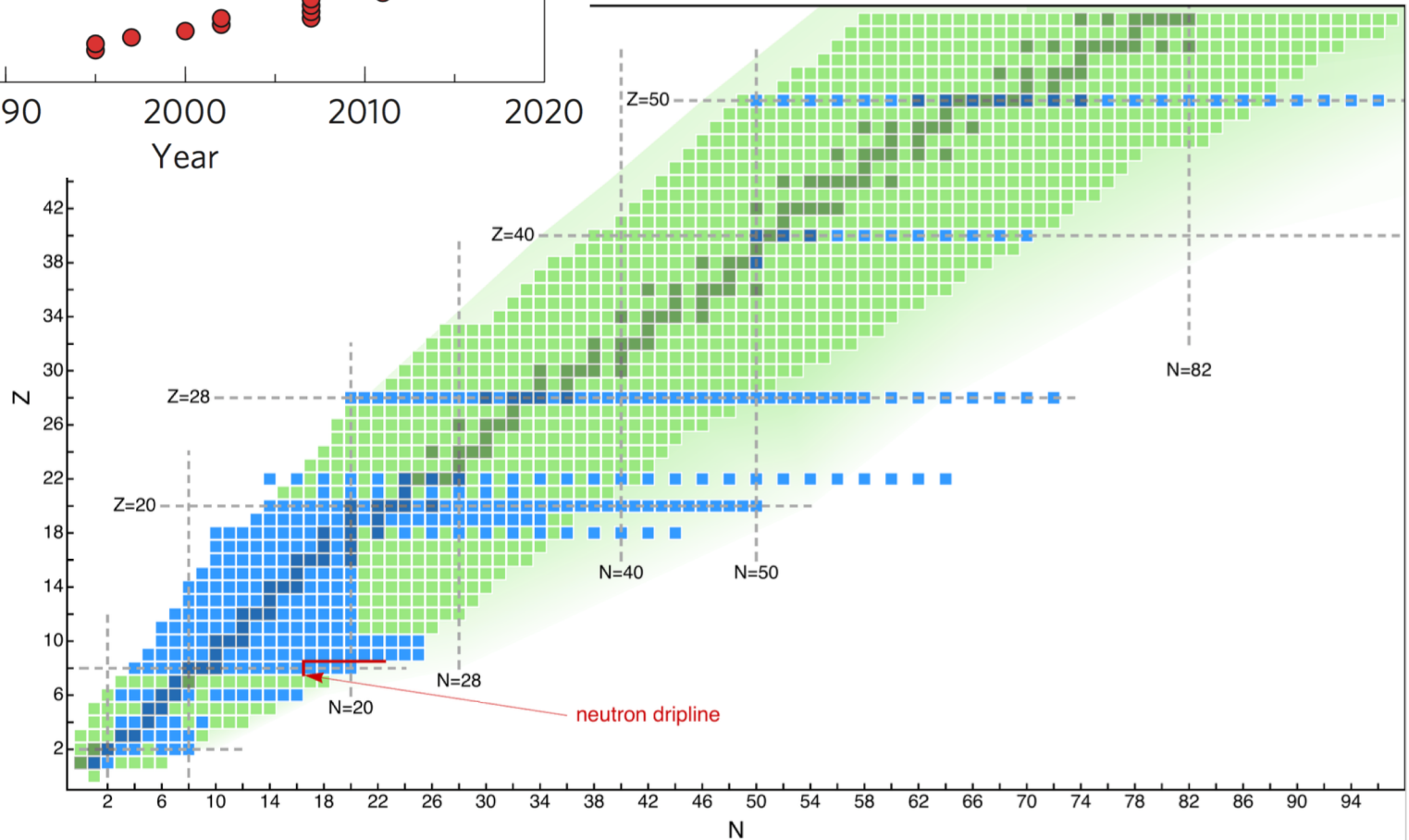
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dramatic progress in last 5 years to access nuclei up to  $A \sim 50$



from Hagen et al., Nature Phys. (2016)

from Hergert et al., Phys. Rep. (2016)



# Ab initio calculations of neutron-rich oxygen isotopes

based on same NN+3N interactions with different many-body methods

CC theory/CCEI

Hagen et al., PRL (2012),

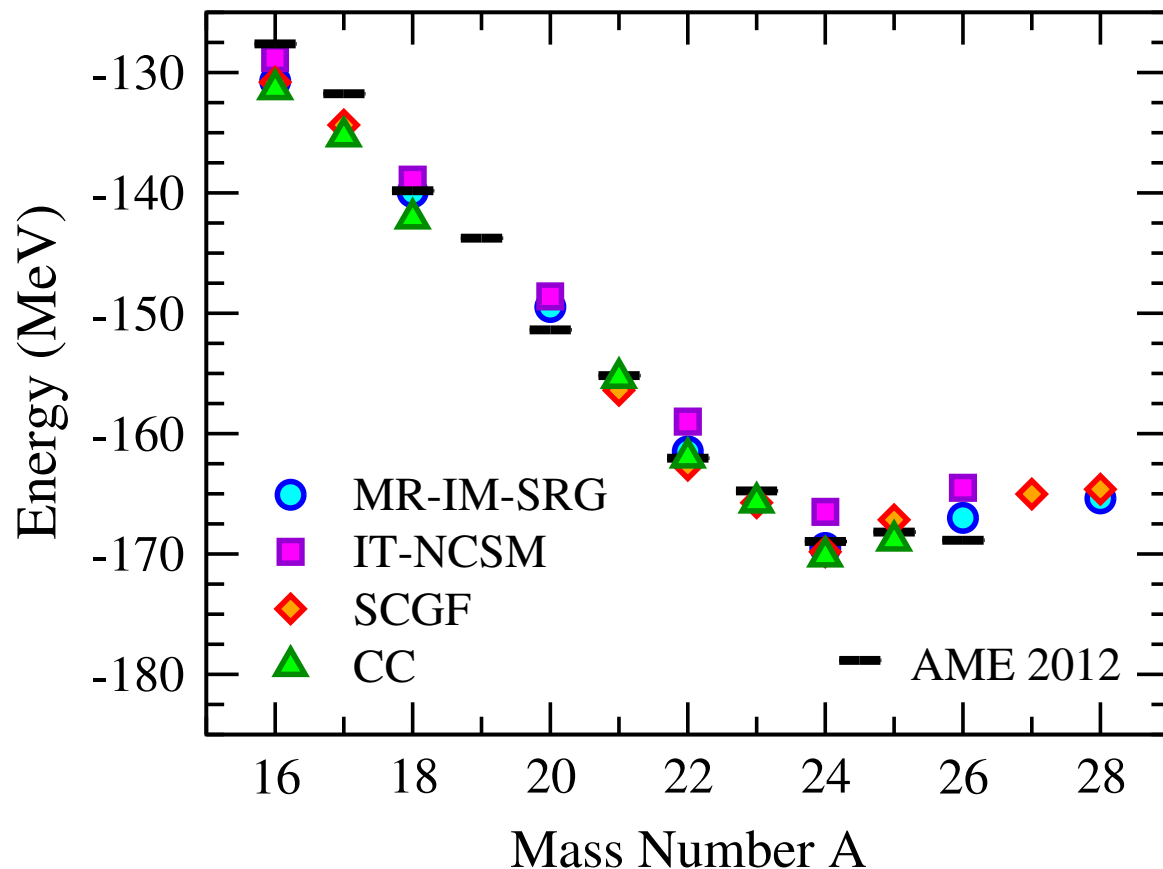
Jansen et al., PRL (2014)

Multi-Reference  
In-Medium SRG  
and IT-NCSM

Hergert et al., PRL (2013)

Self-Consistent  
Green's Functions

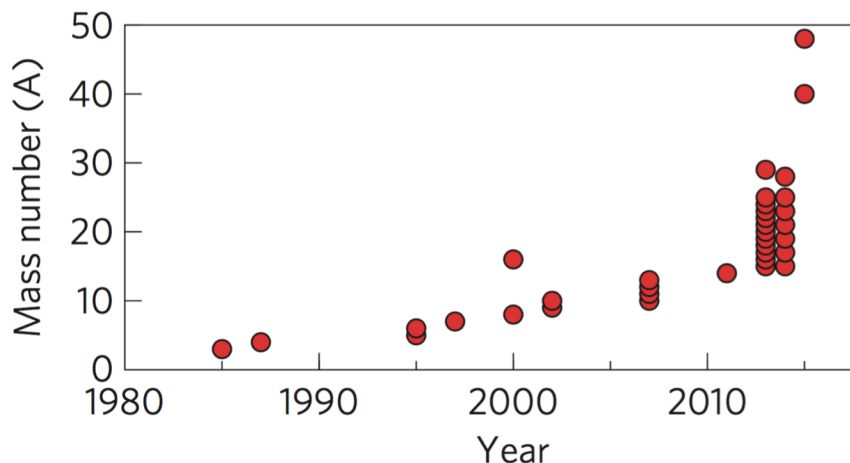
Cipollone et al., PRL (2013)



Many-body calculations of medium-mass nuclei have smaller uncertainty compared to uncertainties in nuclear forces

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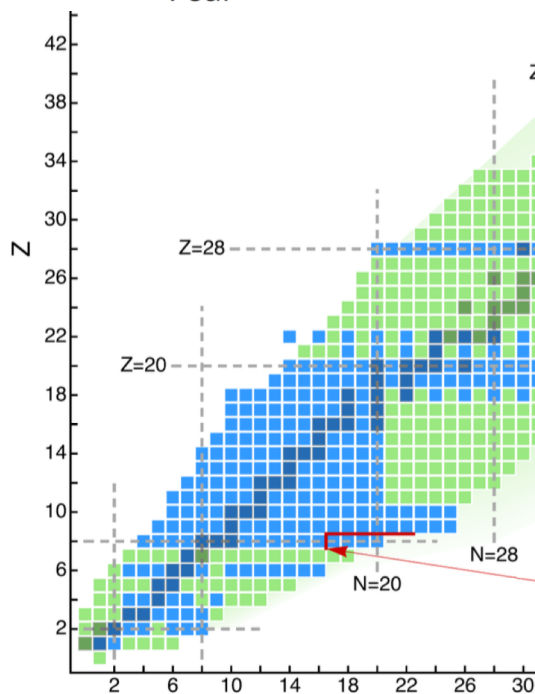
### Evidence for a new nuclear ‘magic number’ from the level structure of $^{54}\text{Ca}$

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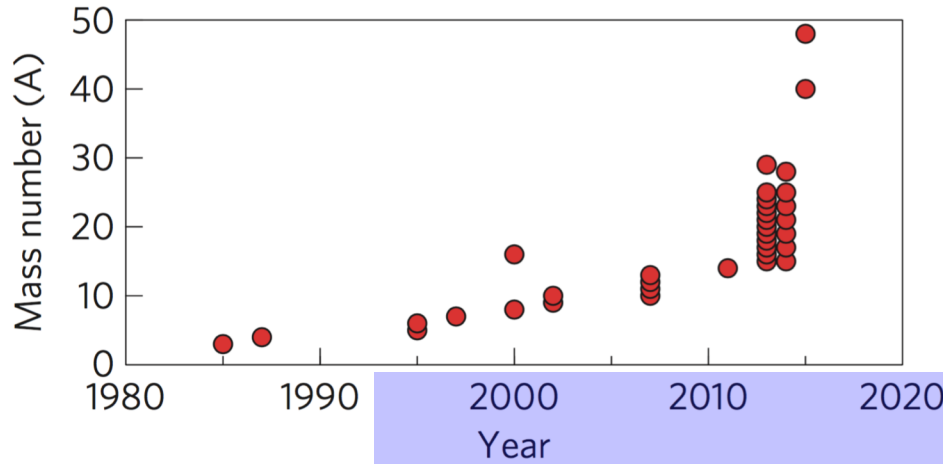
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### Unexpectedly large charge radii of neutron-rich calcium isotopes

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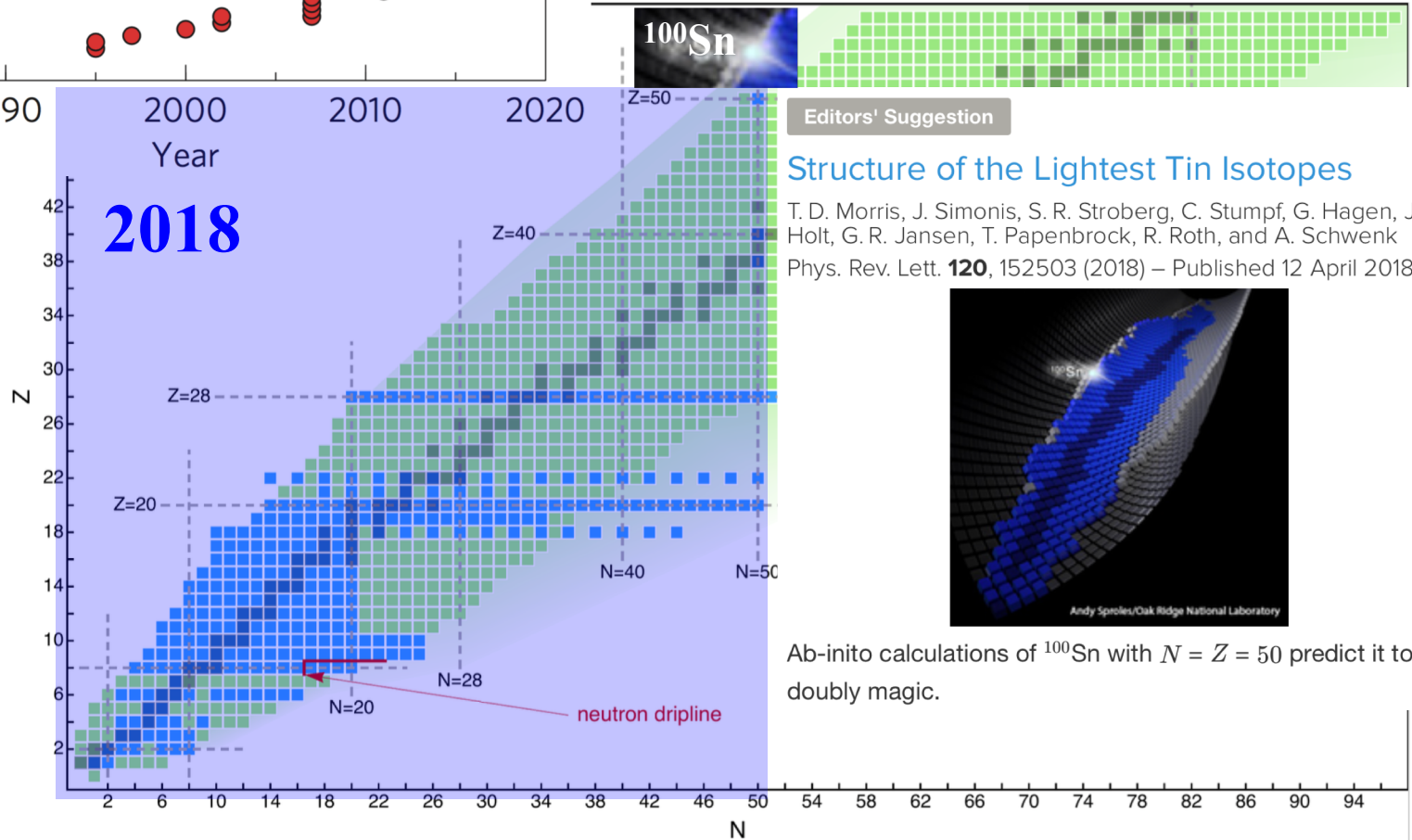
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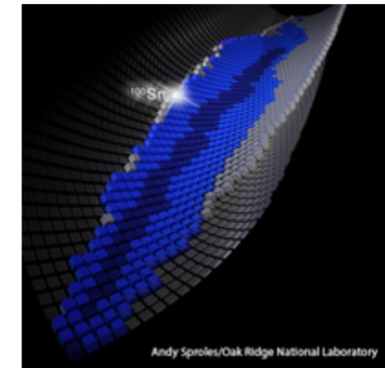
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## Structure of the Lightest Tin Isotopes

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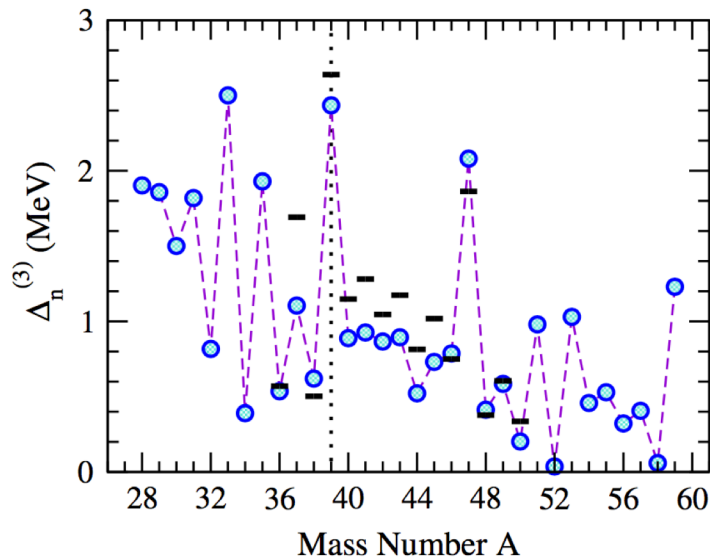
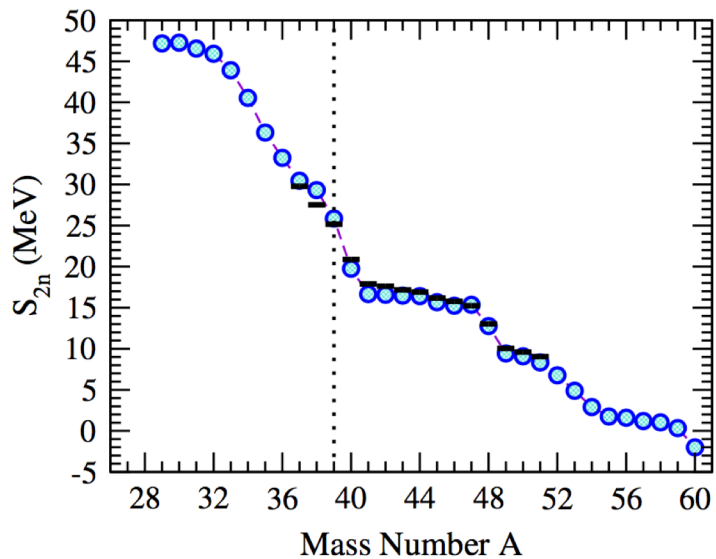
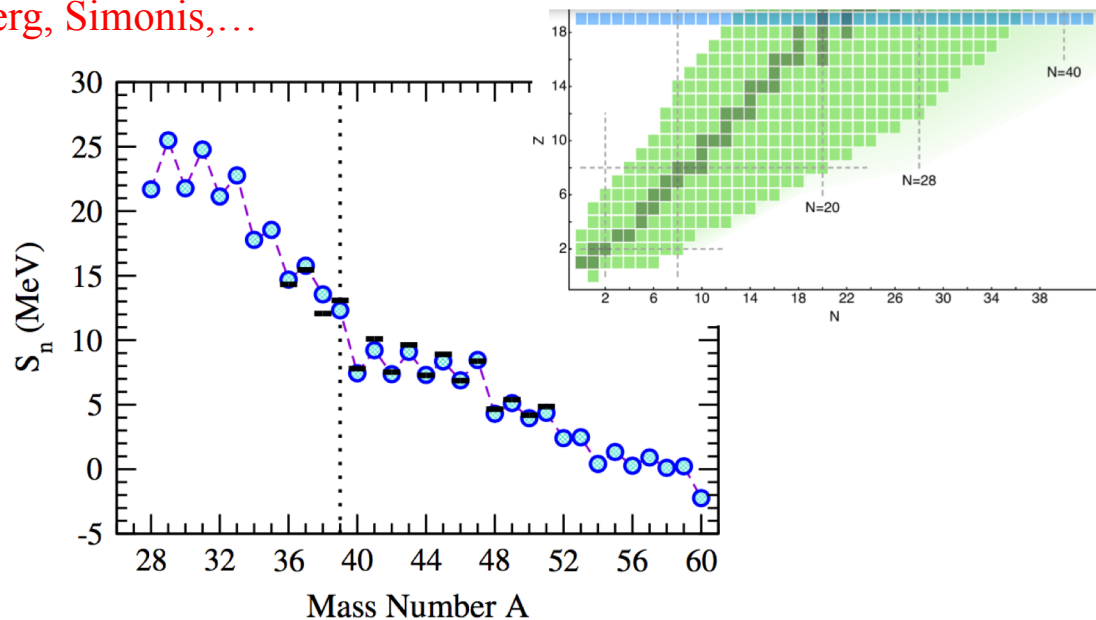
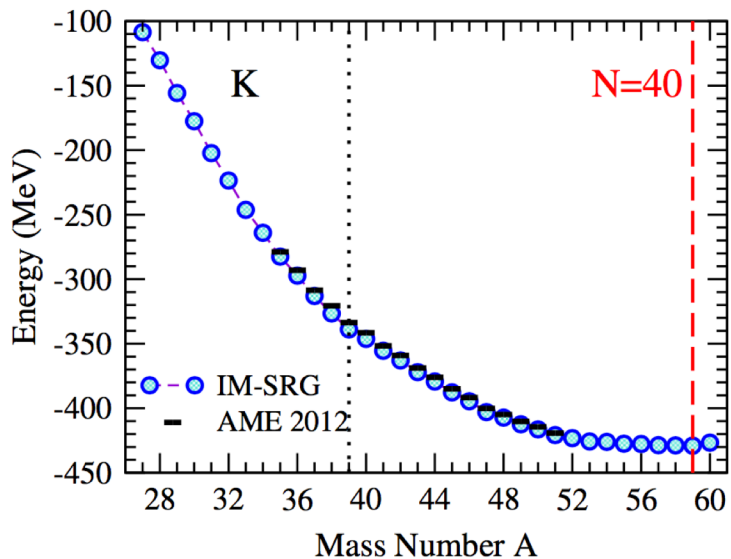


Ab-initio calculations of  $^{100}\text{Sn}$  with  $N = Z = 50$  predict it to be doubly magic.

# Great progress from medium to heavy nuclei

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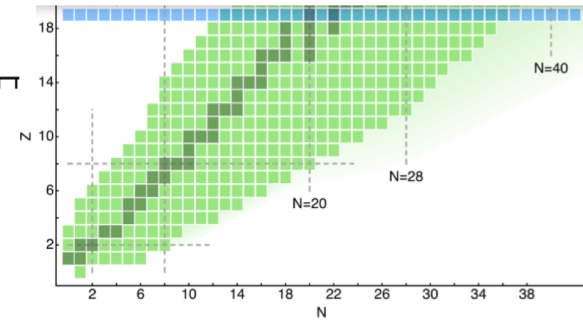
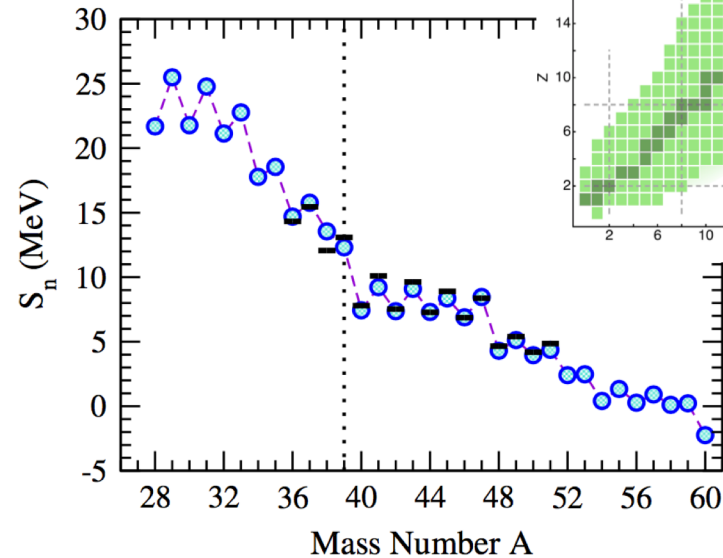
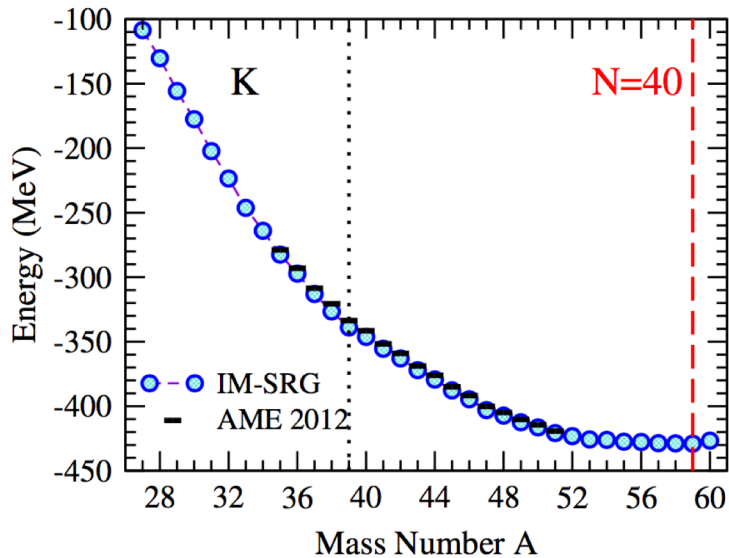




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Important for medium-mass nuclei:

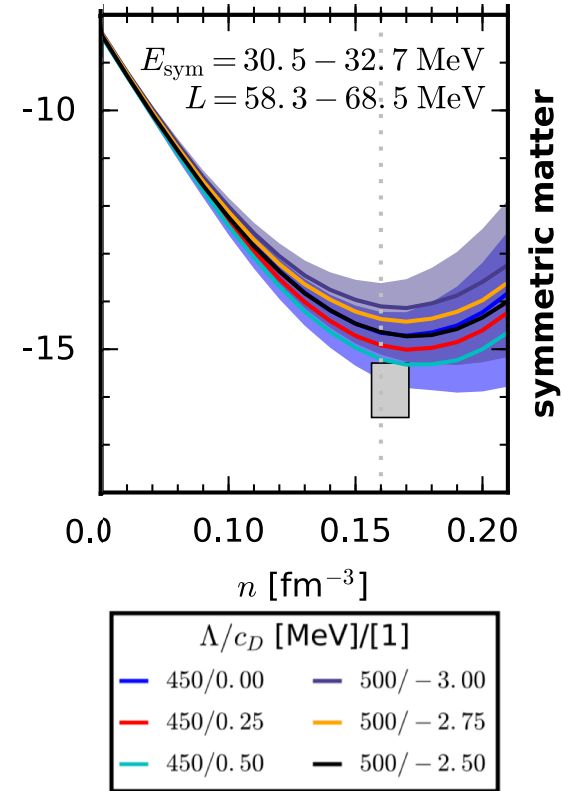
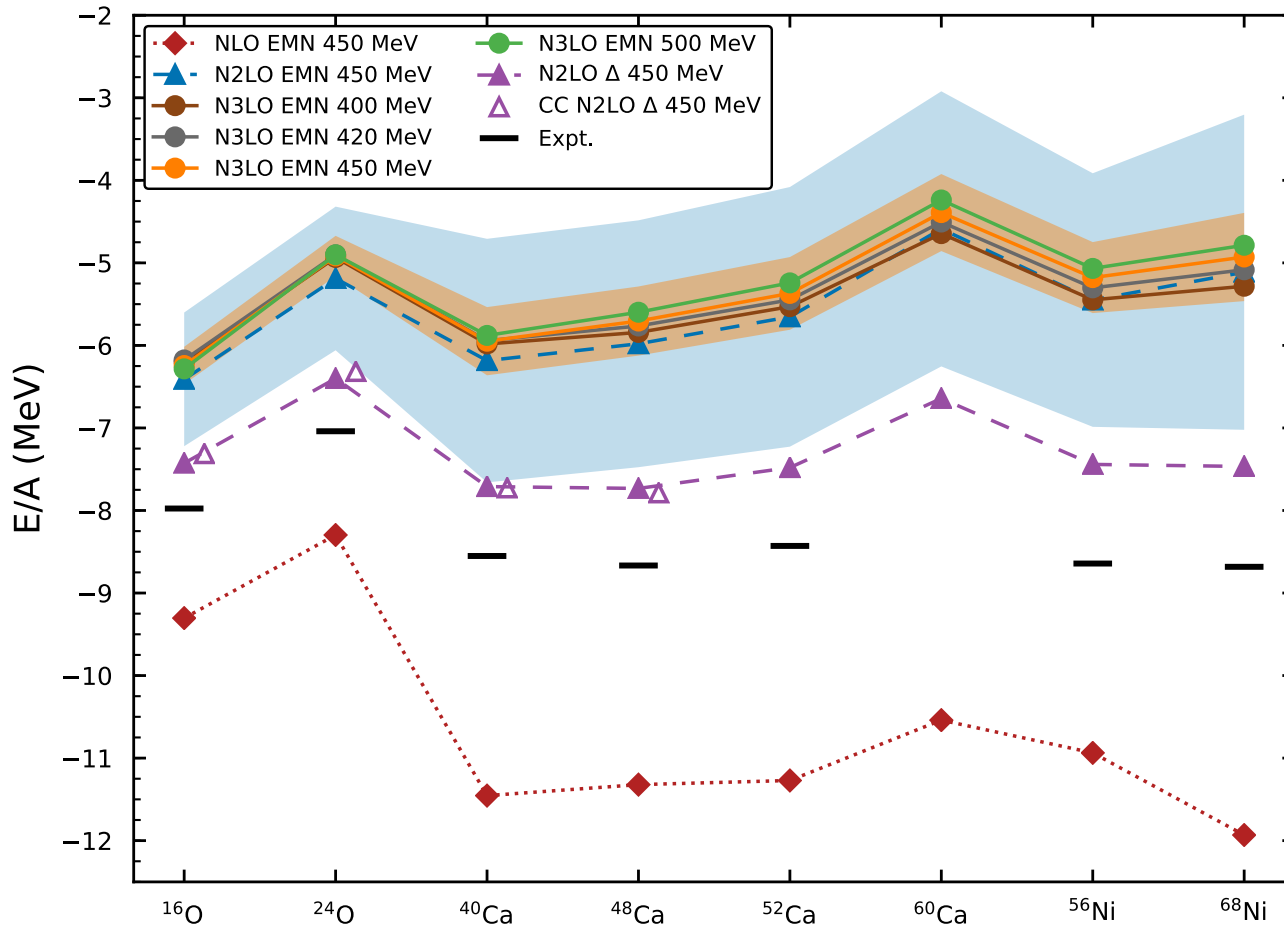
Consider nuclear forces with good (nuclear matter) saturation properties

$N^2LO_{\text{sat}}$  fit to selected nuclei up to A=24 Ekström et al. (2015)

NN evolved + 3N fit to  $^3\text{H}$ ,  $^4\text{He}$  Hebeler et al. (2011)

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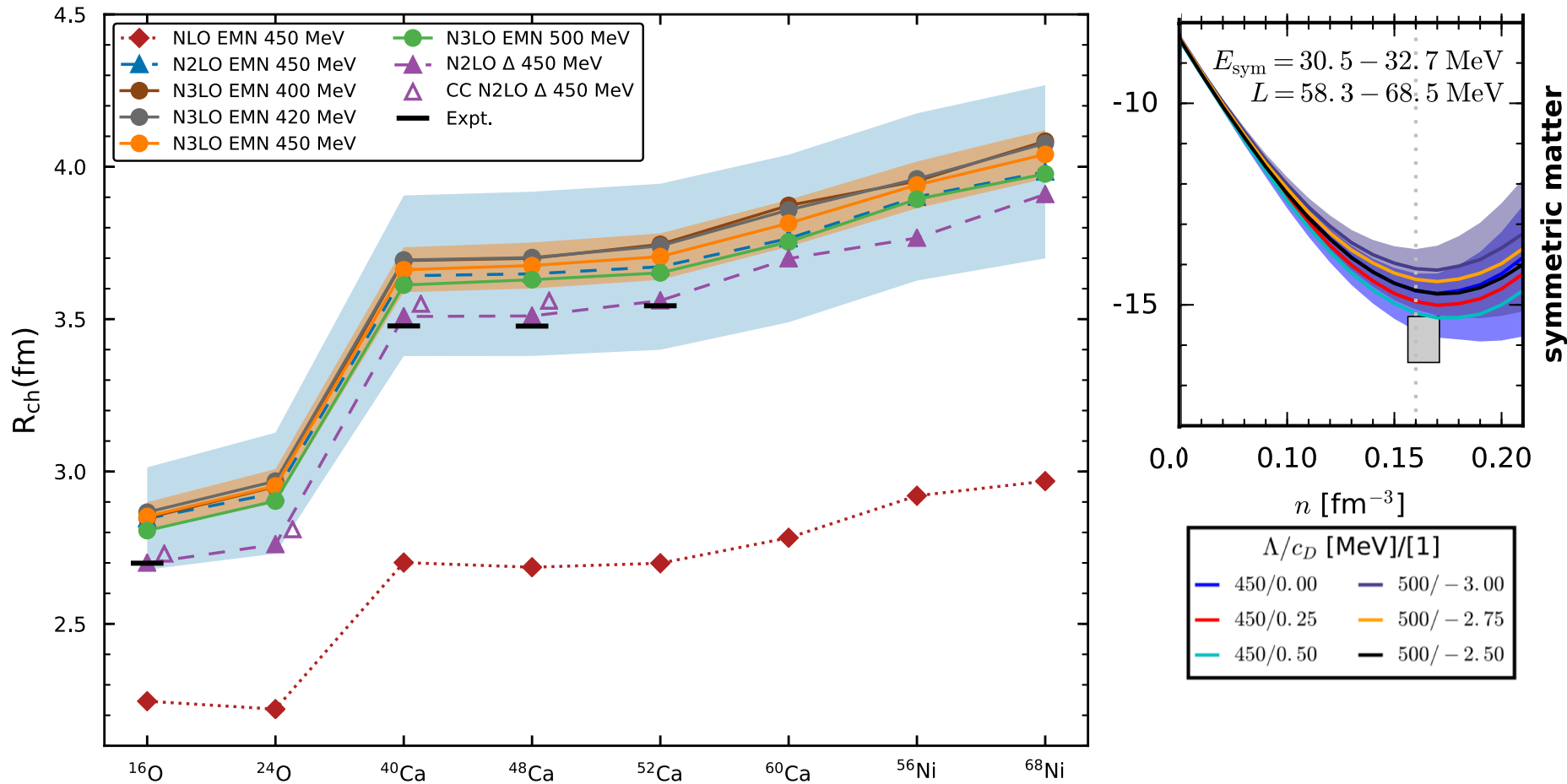


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radii in better agreement, larger than expected from saturation point

# Chiral EFT for coupling to external sources

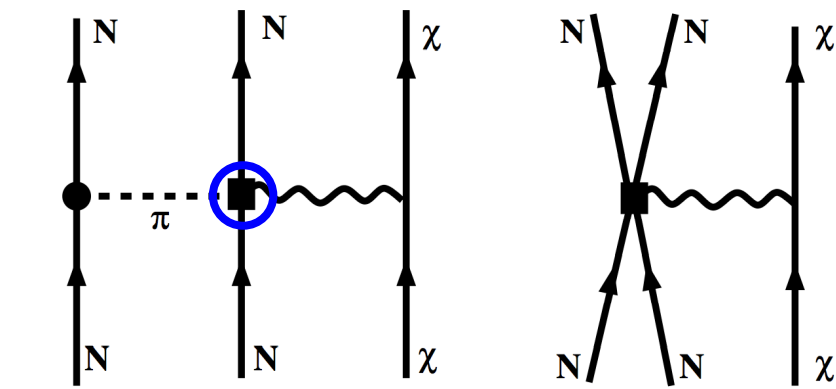
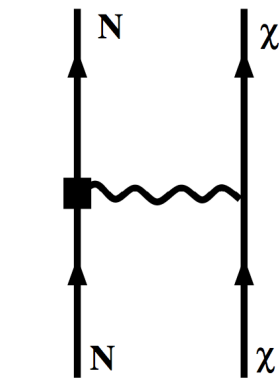
example: axial-vector currents

one-body currents at  $Q^0$  and  $Q^2$

+ two-body currents at  $Q^3$

same couplings in forces and currents!

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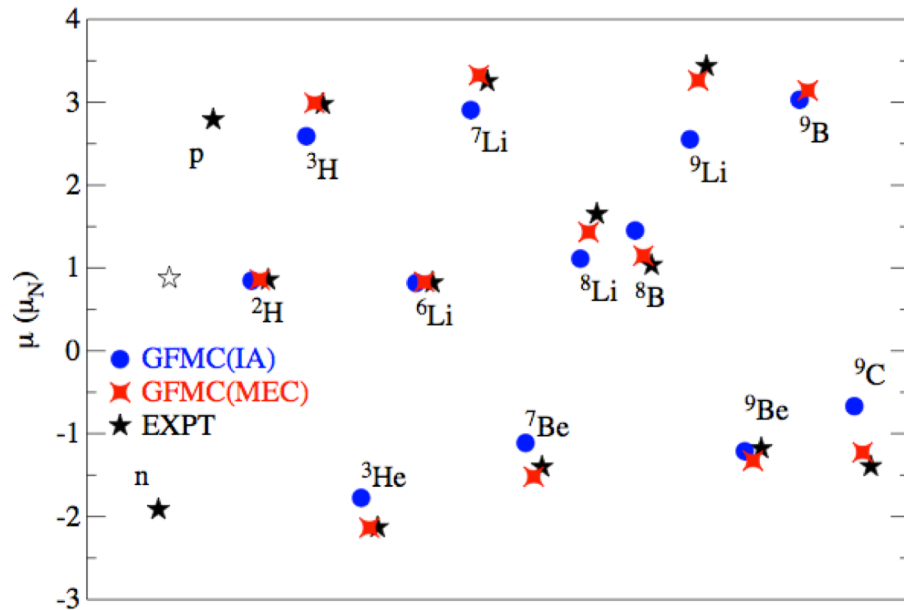


# Chiral EFT for electroweak currents

consistent electroweak one- and two-body (meson-exchange) currents

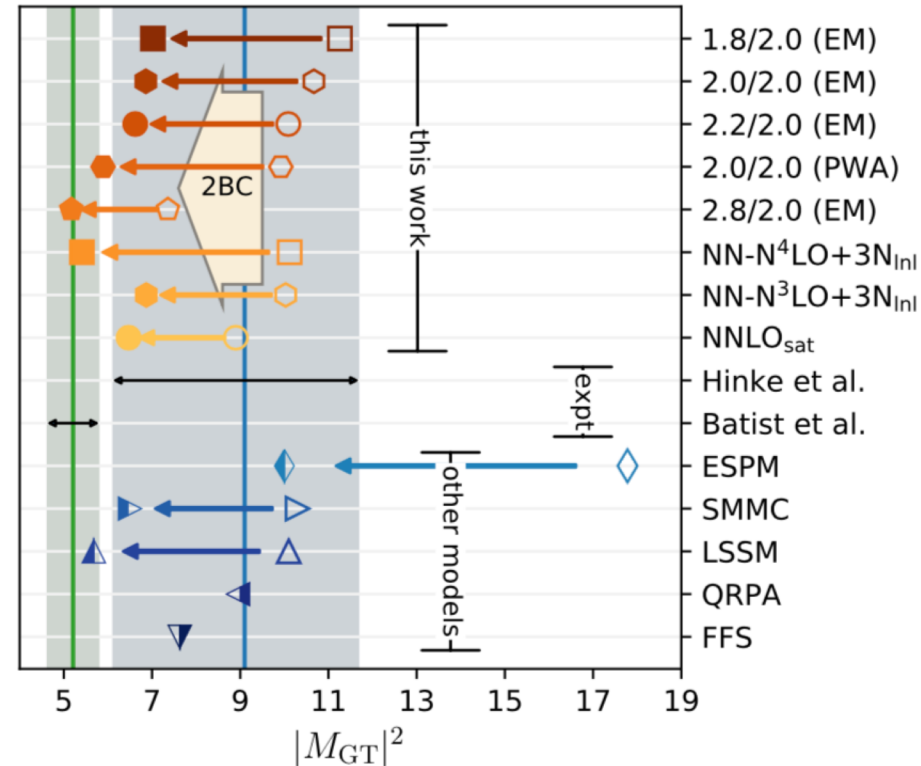
## magnetic moments in light nuclei

Pastore et al. (2012-)



## Gamow-Teller beta decay of $^{100}\text{Sn}$

Gysbers, Hagen et al., Nature Phys. (2019)



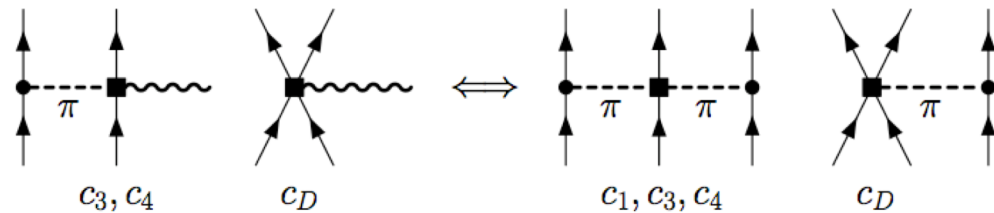
two-body currents are key for quenching puzzle of beta decays

# Axial-vector currents and 3N forces

weak axial-vector currents couple to spin, similar to pions

two-body currents predicted by NN, 3N couplings to N<sup>2</sup>LO

Park et al., Gardestig and Phillips, ...



two-body analogue of Goldberger-Treiman relation

used in a pioneering study

to determine  $c_D$

Gazit, Quaglioni, Navratil, PRL (2009)

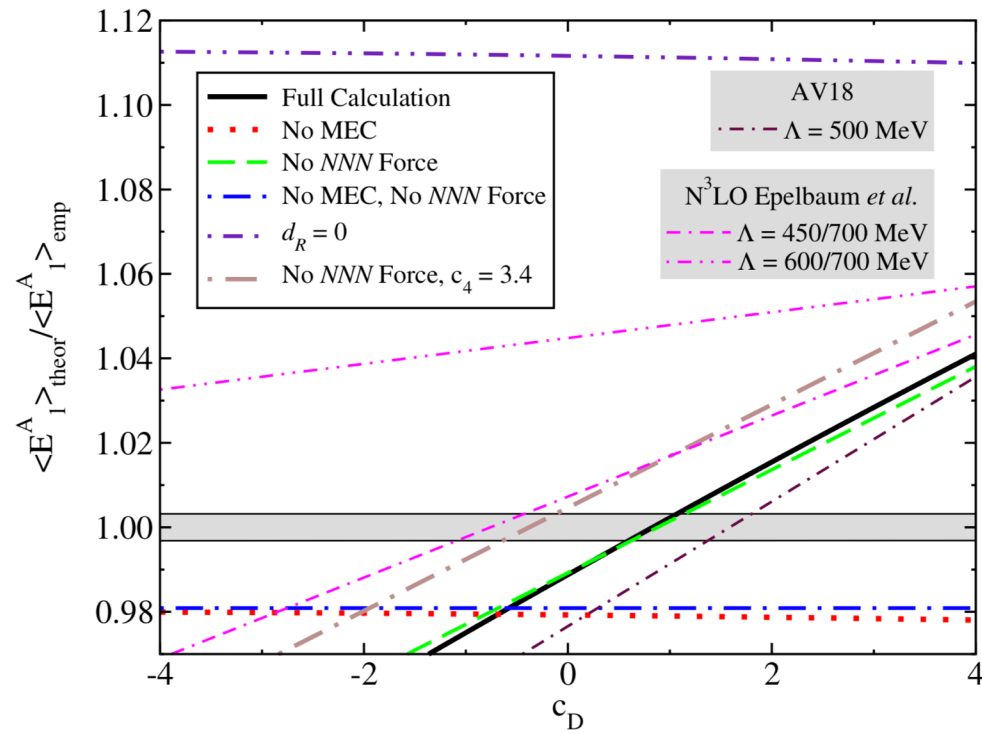
+ 2018 Schiavilla correction

very attractive because:

<sup>3</sup>H half-life precisely known,

uncorrelated with <sup>3</sup>H energy

$c_D, c_E$  fully determined from  $A=3$

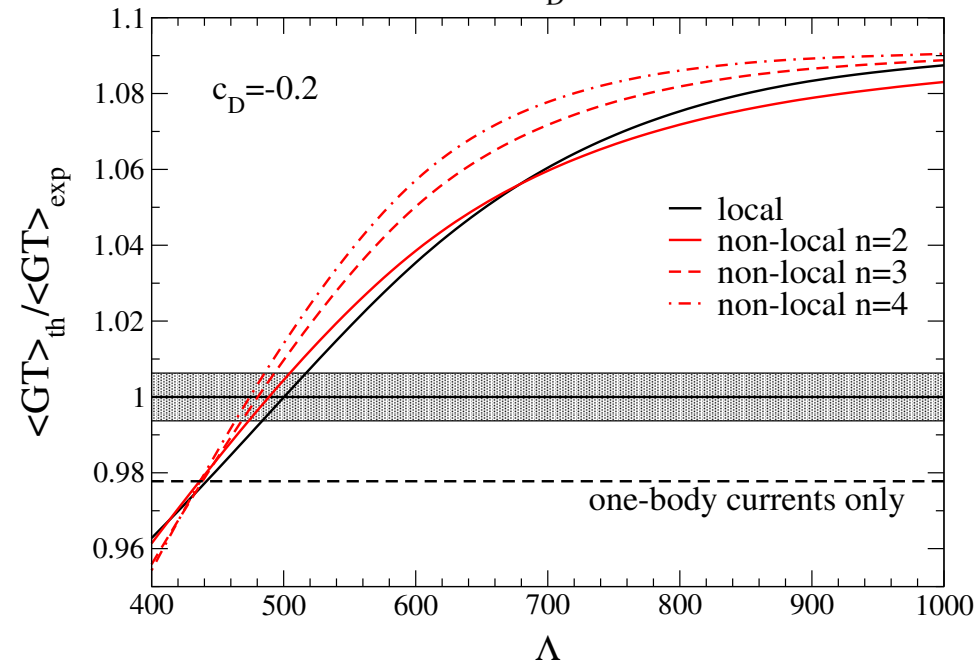
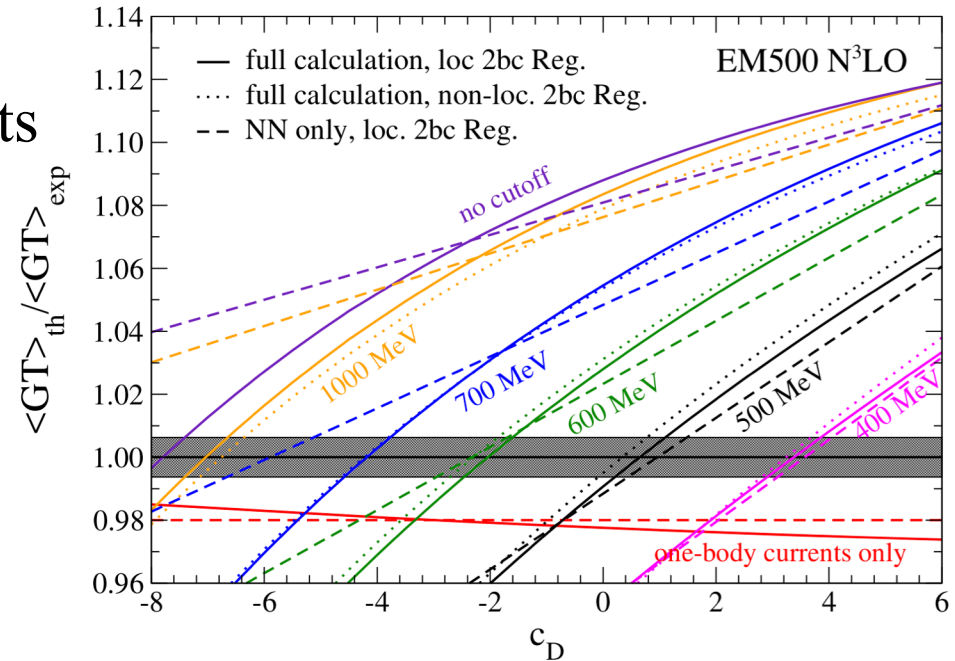


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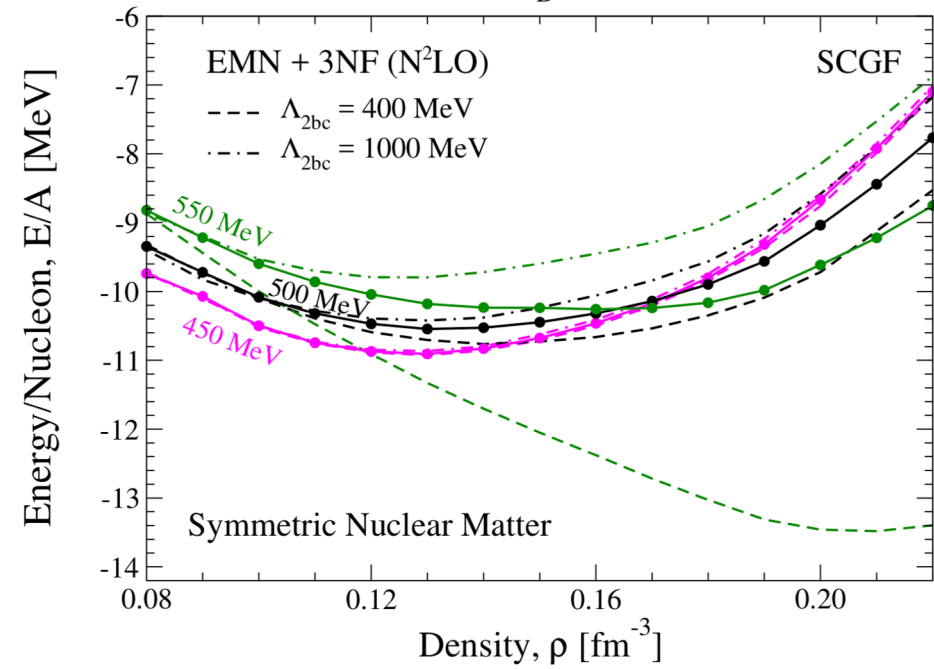
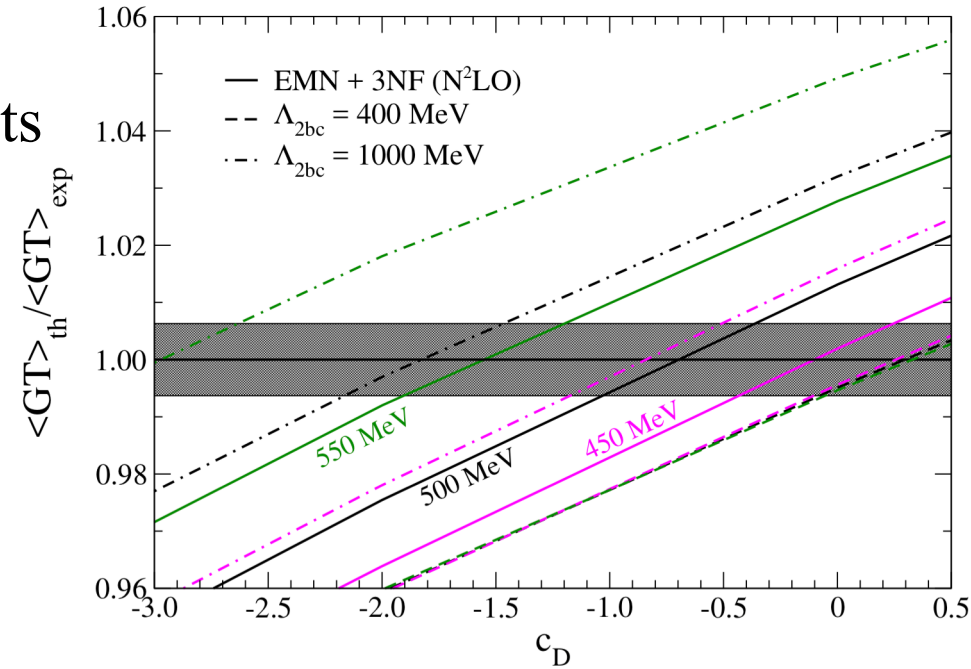
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obtained  $c_D$  value depends on cutoff in currents

cutoff in currents effects 3N forces! Example: impact on nuclear matter





# Dark matter direct detection

Assume DM particle is WIMP, search strategies:

## Direct detection:

WIMP scattering off nuclei, needs as input

## Nucleon matrix elements

WIMP-quark/gluon couplings in nucleons

## Nuclear structure factors

sensitive to nuclear physics

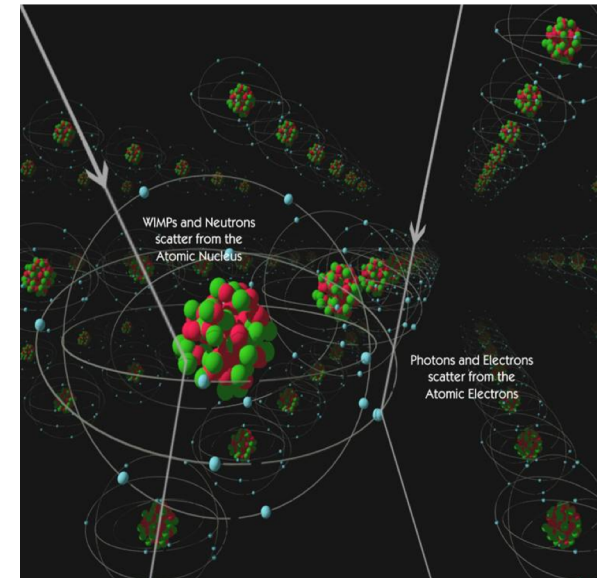
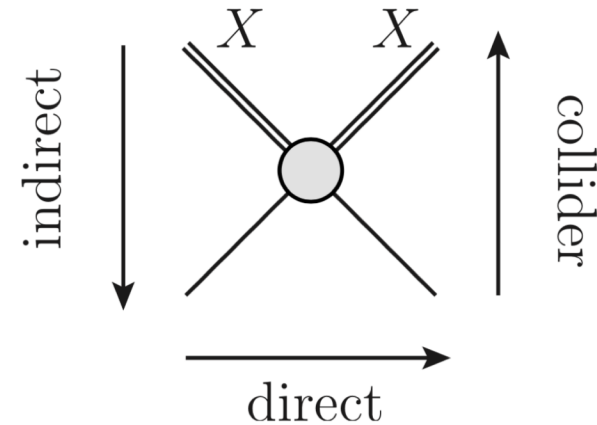
relevant momentum transfers  $\sim m_\pi$

## calculate systematically with chiral EFT

Menéndez et al., PRD (2012), Klos et al., PRD (2013),  
Baudis et al., PRD (2013), Vietze et al., PRD (2015),  
Hoferichter et al., PLB (2015), PRD (2016), PRL (2017), PRD (2019),  
Fieguth et al., PRD (2018), XENON1T + Hoferichter et al., PRL (2019)

incorporate what we know about **QCD/nuclear physics**

see also Prézeau et al., PRL (2003), Cirigliano et al., JHEP (2012), PLB (2014), Hill and Solon, PRD (2015),  
Körber et al., PRC (2017), Bishara et al., JCAP (2017), Gadza et al., PRC (2017), Andreoli et al., PRC (2019)



# Scales in DM direct detection

**BSM scale:** WIMPs coupling to  $q, g$  via exchange particles

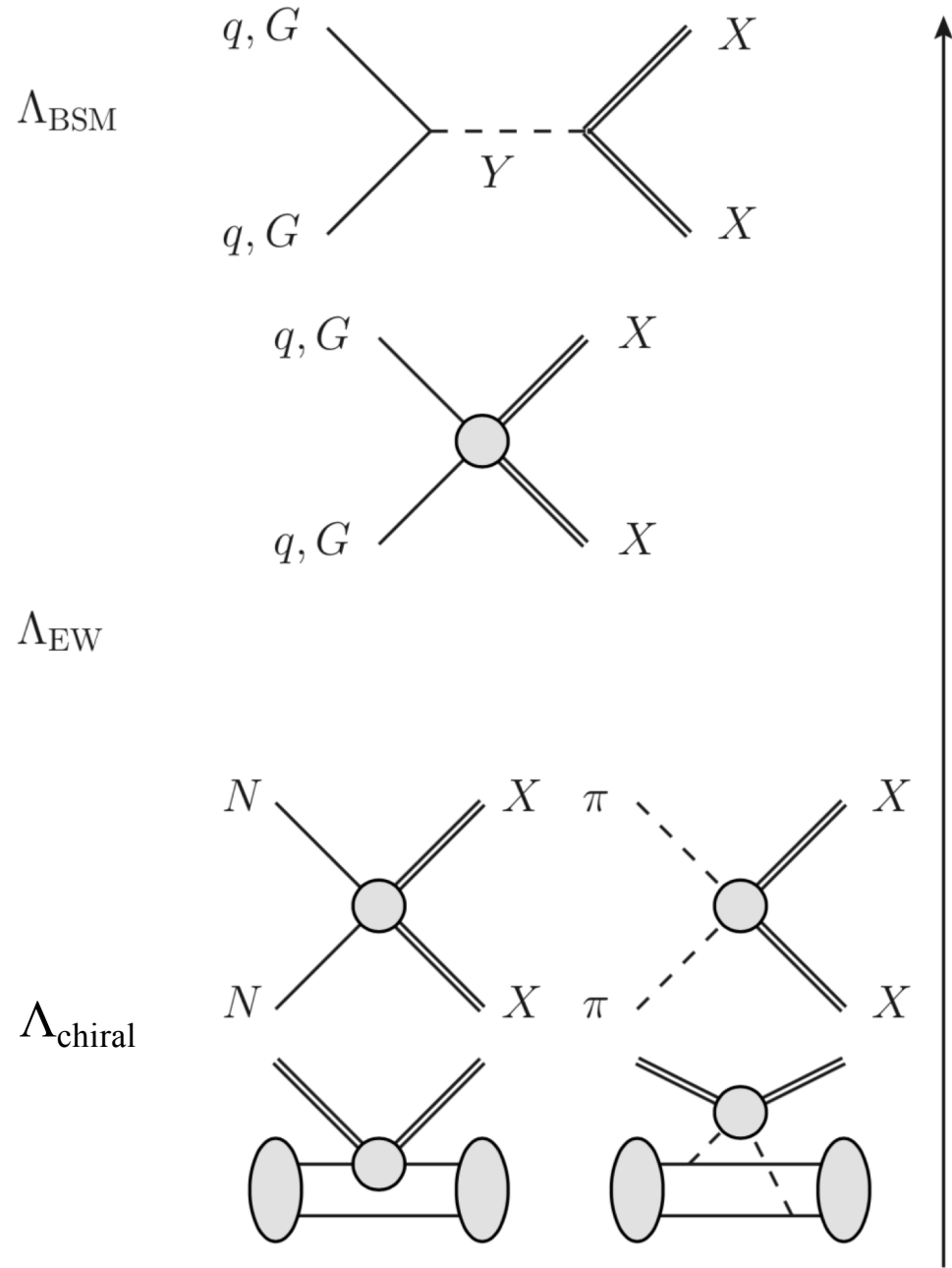
SM + **effective operators**

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_{i,k} \frac{1}{\Lambda_{\text{BSM}}^i} \mathcal{O}_{i,k}$$

Integrate out **EW physics**

**Chiral EFT scale:** WIMP coupling to nucleons and pions

**Nuclear structure:** embedding chiral EFT operators in nucleus



# Main messages

**structure factors** for **spin-dependent** WIMP scattering (axial-vector)  
with Klos, Menéndez, Gazit, PRD (2012, 2013)

based on **large-scale nuclear structure calculations** and  
systematic expansion of **WIMP-nucleon currents in chiral EFT**

signatures of WIMP **inelastic scattering**  
with Baudis et al., PRD (2013)

**WIMP-nucleon interactions in chiral EFT** to N<sup>2</sup>LO  
with Hoferichter, Klos, PLB (2015)

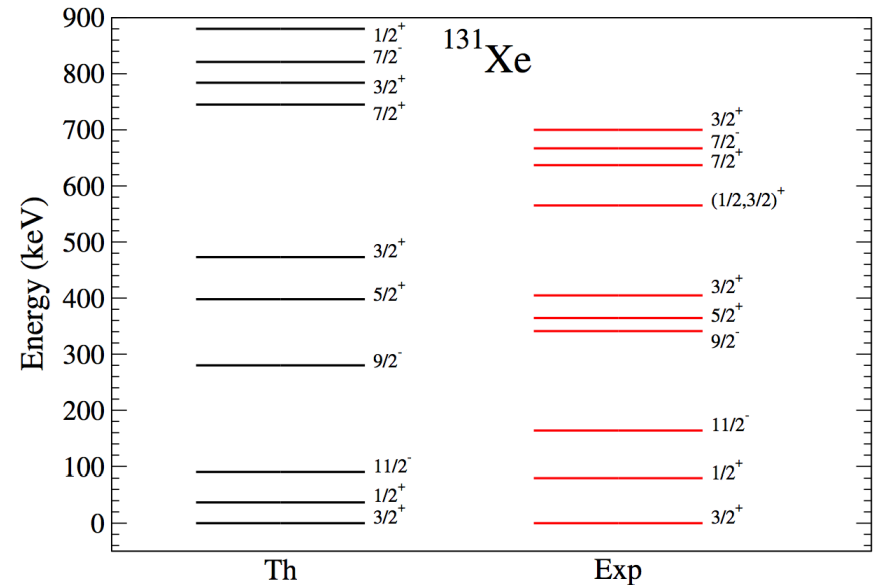
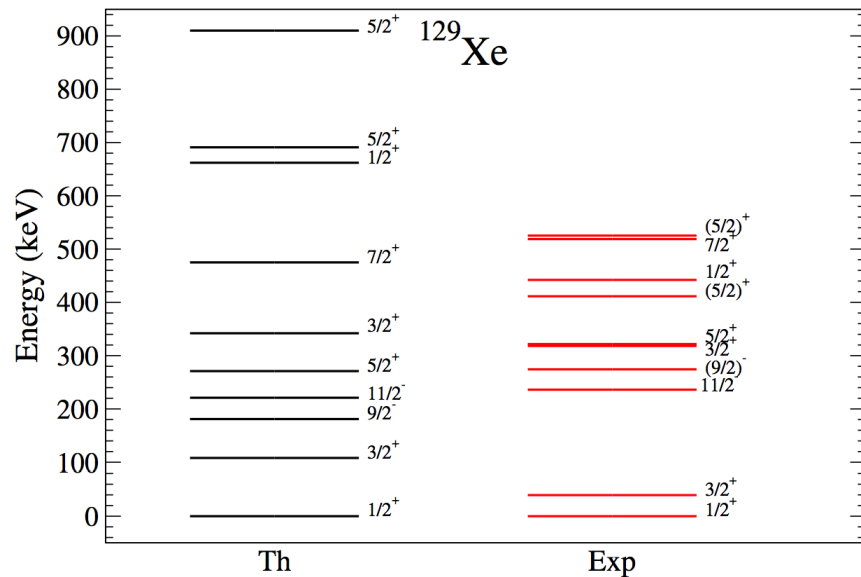
**general coherent (SI+) WIMP-nucleus scattering**  
with Hoferichter, Klos, Menéndez, PRD (2016), PRD (2019)

First limits for **WIMP-pion interactions**  
XENON1T + Hoferichter, Klos, Menéndez, AS, PRL (2019)

# Nuclear structure for direct detection

valence-shell Hamiltonian calculated from NN interactions + corrections to compensate for not including 3N forces (will improve in the future)

valence spaces and interactions have been tested successfully in nuclear structure calculations, largest spaces used



very good agreement for spectra; ordering and grouping well reproduced

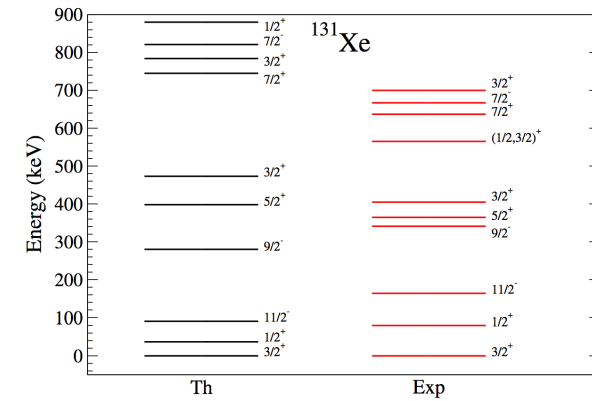
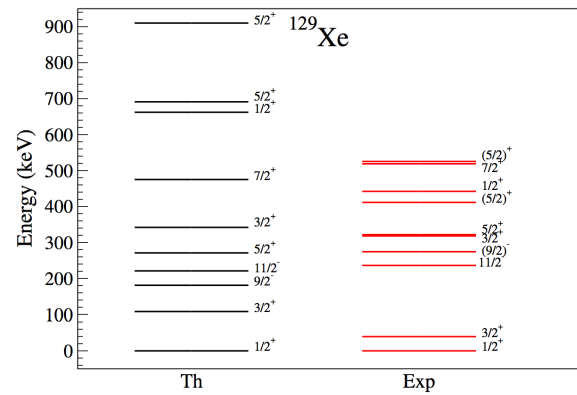
Menendez, Gazit, AS, PRD (2012)

connects WIMP direct detection with double-beta decay

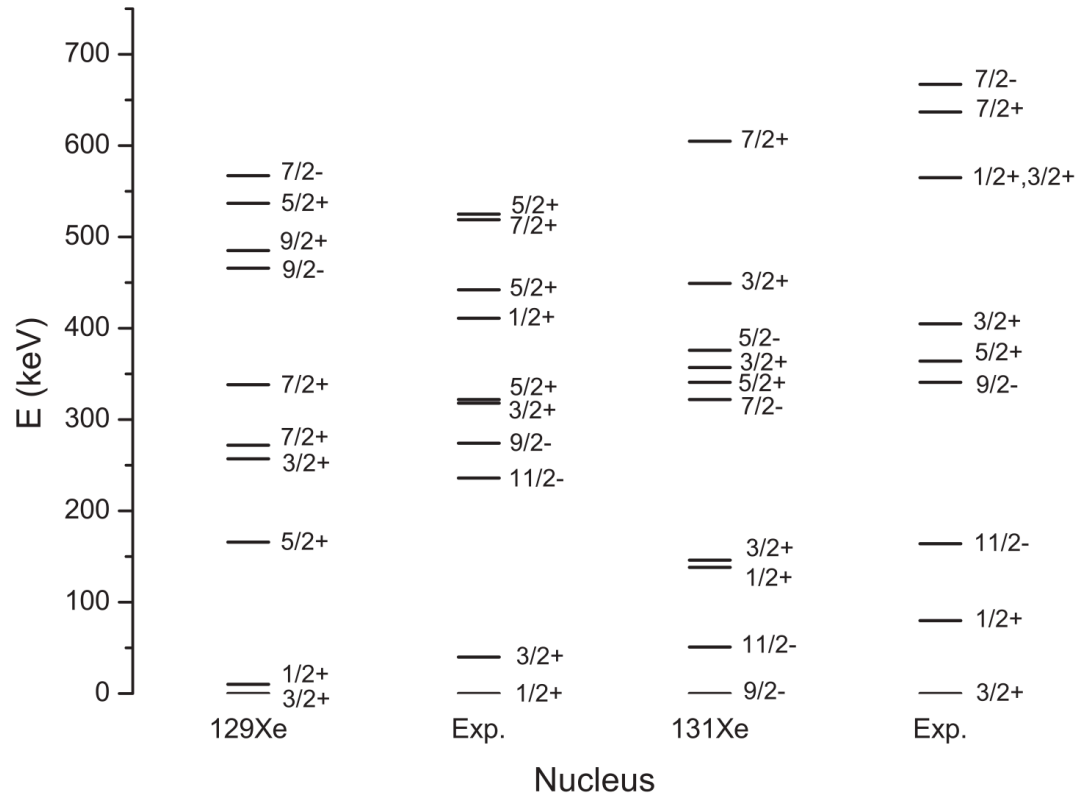
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compare to other calculations for WIMP scattering



# Nuclear structure factors

differential cross section for spin-dependent WIMP scattering

~ axial-vector structure factor  $S_A(p)$  Engel et al. (1992)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\sigma}{dp^2} &= \frac{1}{(2J_i + 1)\pi v^2} \sum_{s_f, s_i} \sum_{M_f, M_i} |\langle f | \mathcal{L}_\chi^{\text{SD}} | i \rangle|^2 \\ &= \frac{8G_F^2}{(2J_i + 1)v^2} S_A(p),\end{aligned}$$

decompose into longitudinal, transverse electric and transverse magnetic

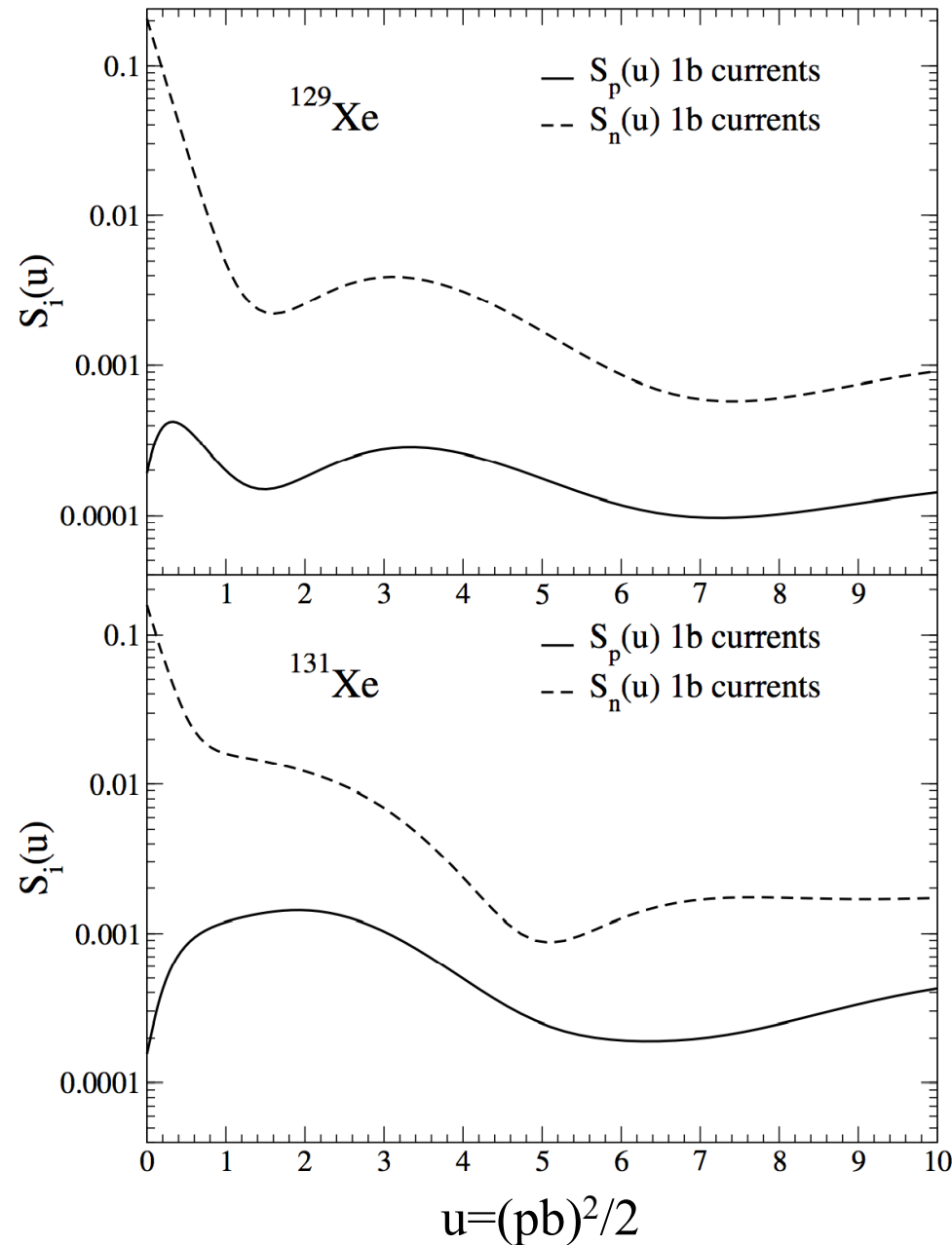
$$\begin{aligned}S_A(p) &= \sum_{L \geq 0} |\langle J_f || \mathcal{L}_L^5 || J_i \rangle|^2 \\ &\quad + \sum_{L \geq 1} \left( |\langle J_f || \mathcal{T}_L^{\text{el}5} || J_i \rangle|^2 + |\langle J_f || \mathcal{T}_L^{\text{mag}5} || J_i \rangle|^2 \right)\end{aligned}$$

transverse magnetic multipoles vanish for elastic scattering

can also decompose into isoscalar/isovector structure factors  $S_{ij}(p)$

$$S_A(p) = a_0^2 S_{00}(p) + a_0 a_1 S_{01}(p) + a_1^2 S_{11}(p)$$

# Xenon response with one-body currents

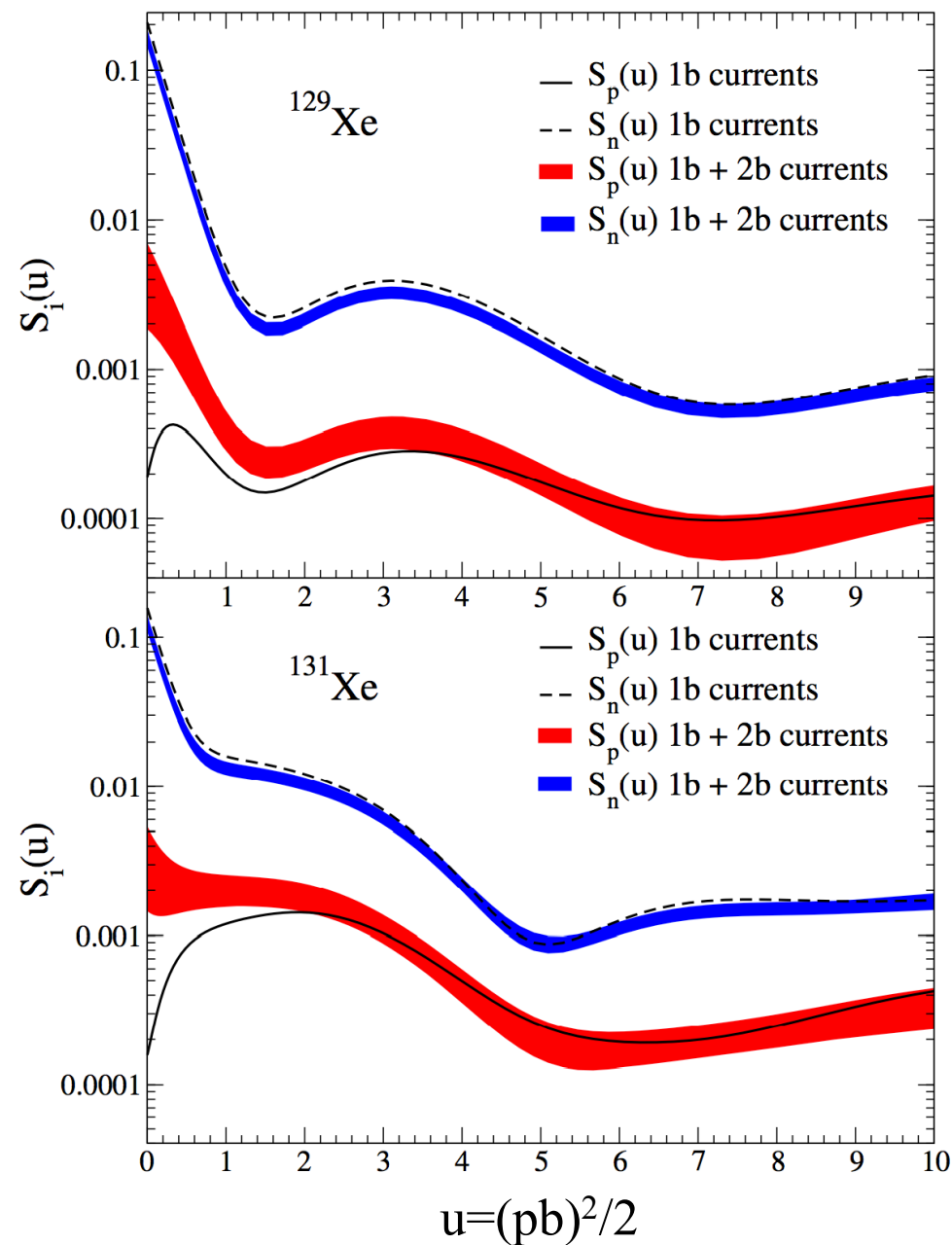


$^{129,131}\text{Xe}$  are even  $Z$ , odd  $N$ ,  
spin is carried mainly by neutrons

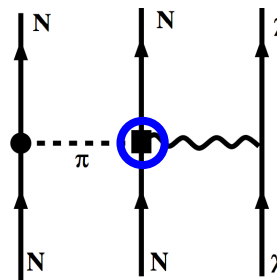
at  $p=0$  structure factors  
at the level of one-body currents  
dominated by “neutron”-only

$$S_A = \frac{(2J+1)(J+1)}{\pi J} |a_p \langle S_p \rangle + a_n \langle S_n \rangle|^2$$

# Xenon response with 1+2-body currents



two-body currents due to strong interactions among nucleons



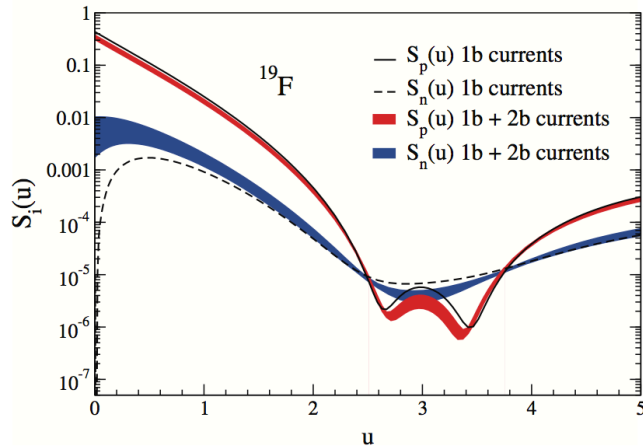
WIMPs couple to neutrons and protons at the same time

enhances coupling to even species in all cases (protons for Xe)

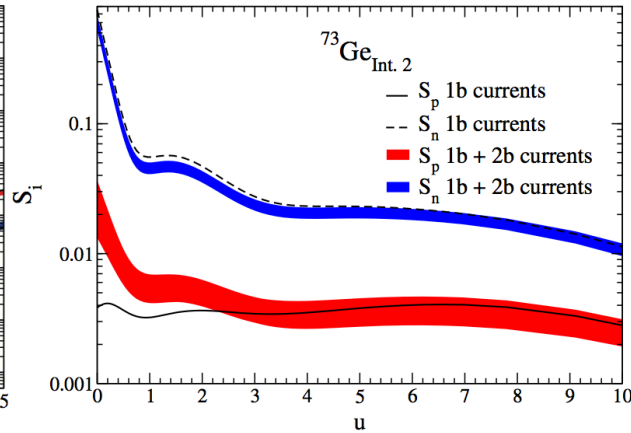


# Spin-dependent WIMP-nucleus response for $^{19}\text{F}$ , $^{23}\text{Na}$ , $^{27}\text{Al}$ , $^{29}\text{Si}$ , $^{73}\text{Ge}$ , $^{127}\text{I}$

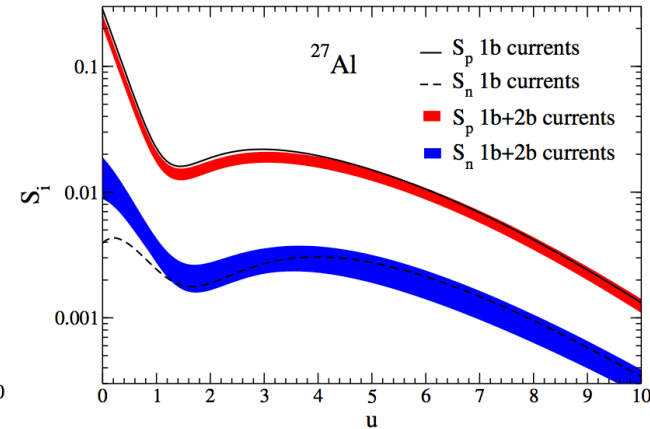
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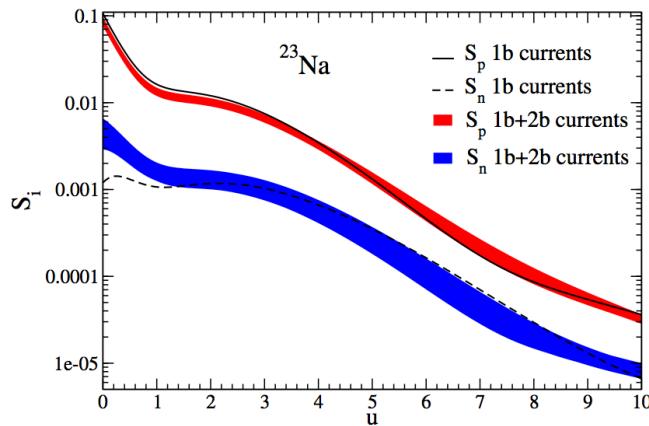
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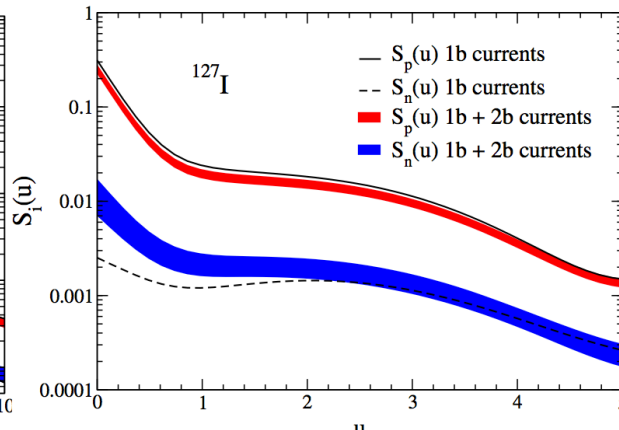
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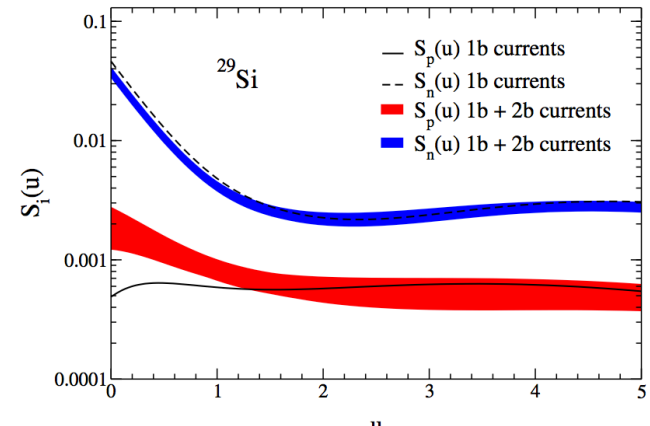
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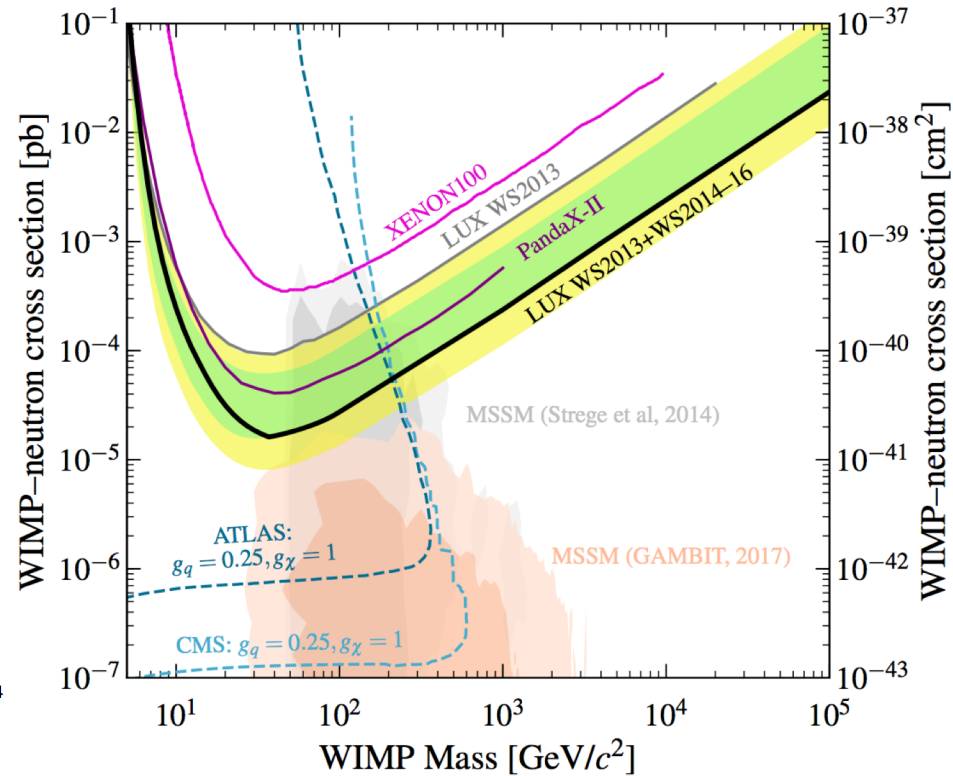
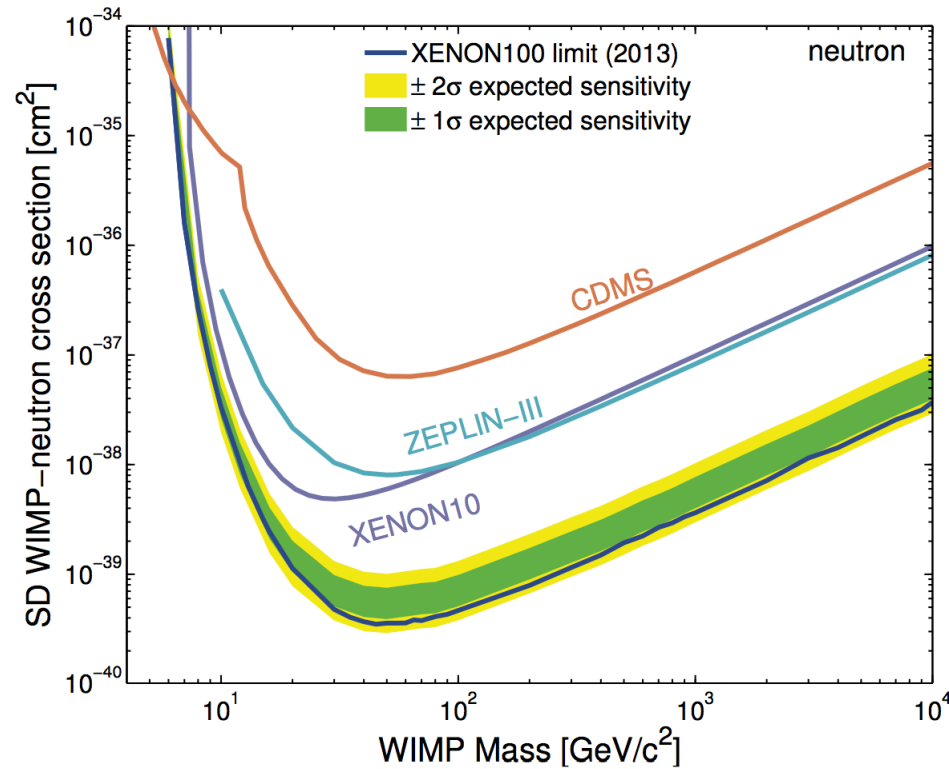


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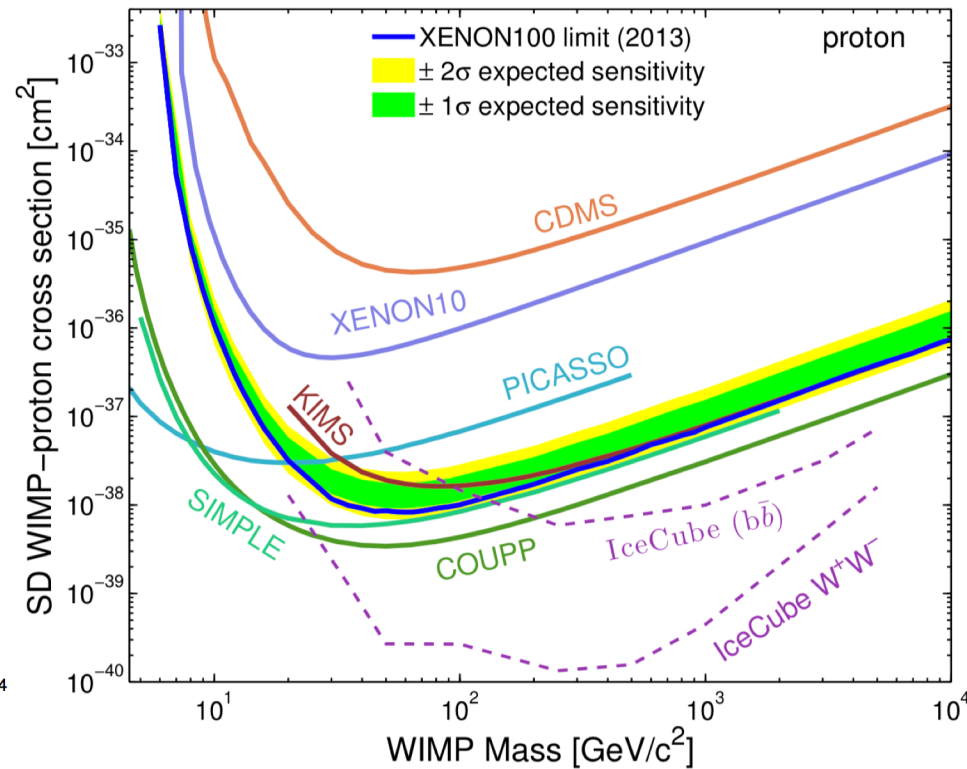
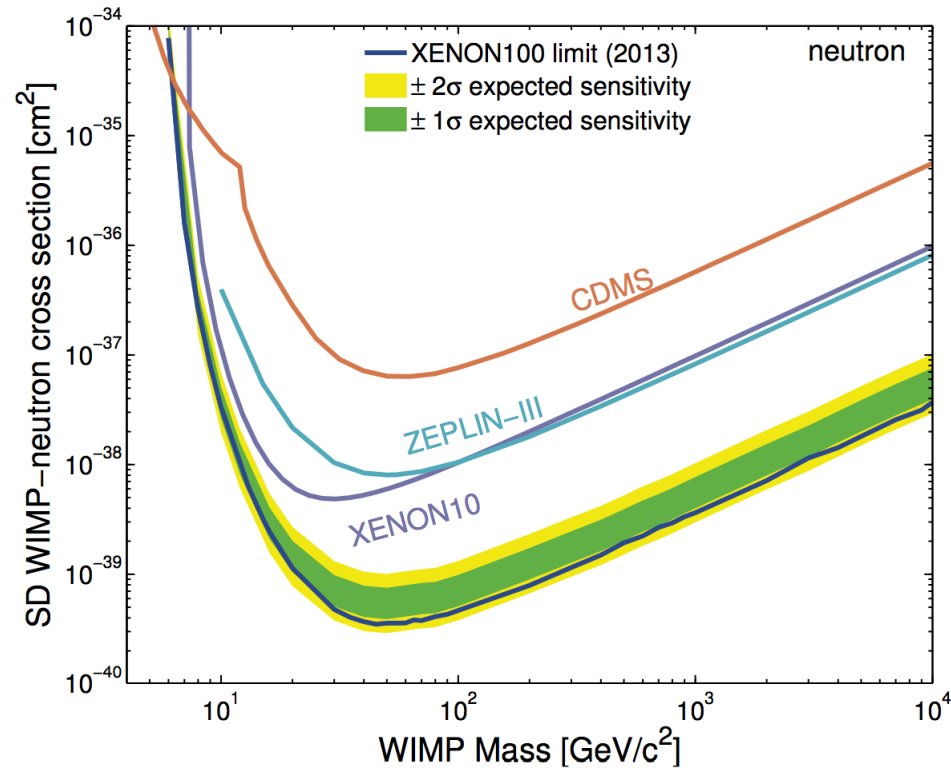
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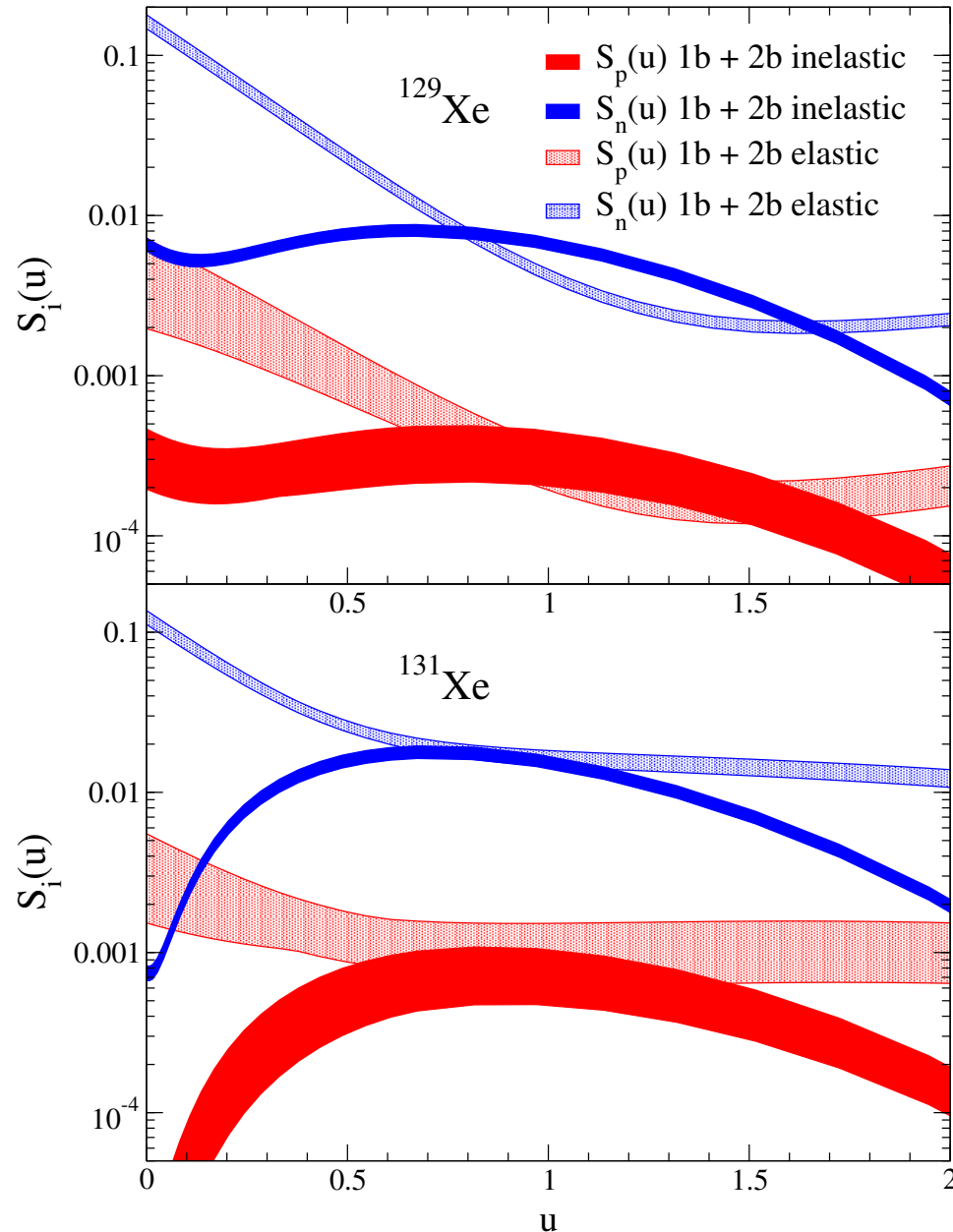
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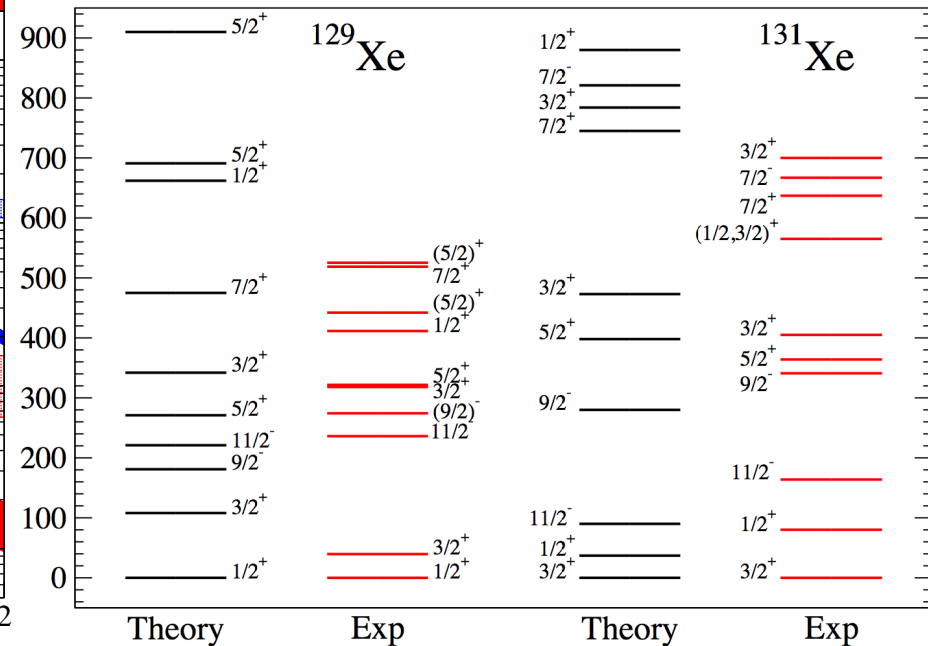
XENON competitive for WIMP-proton coupling due to 2-body currents

# Inelastic WIMP scattering to 40 and 80 keV excited states

Baudis, Kessler, Klos, Lang, Menéndez, Reichard, AS, PRD (2013)



inelastic channel  
comparable/dominates elastic  
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 $p \sim 150$  MeV

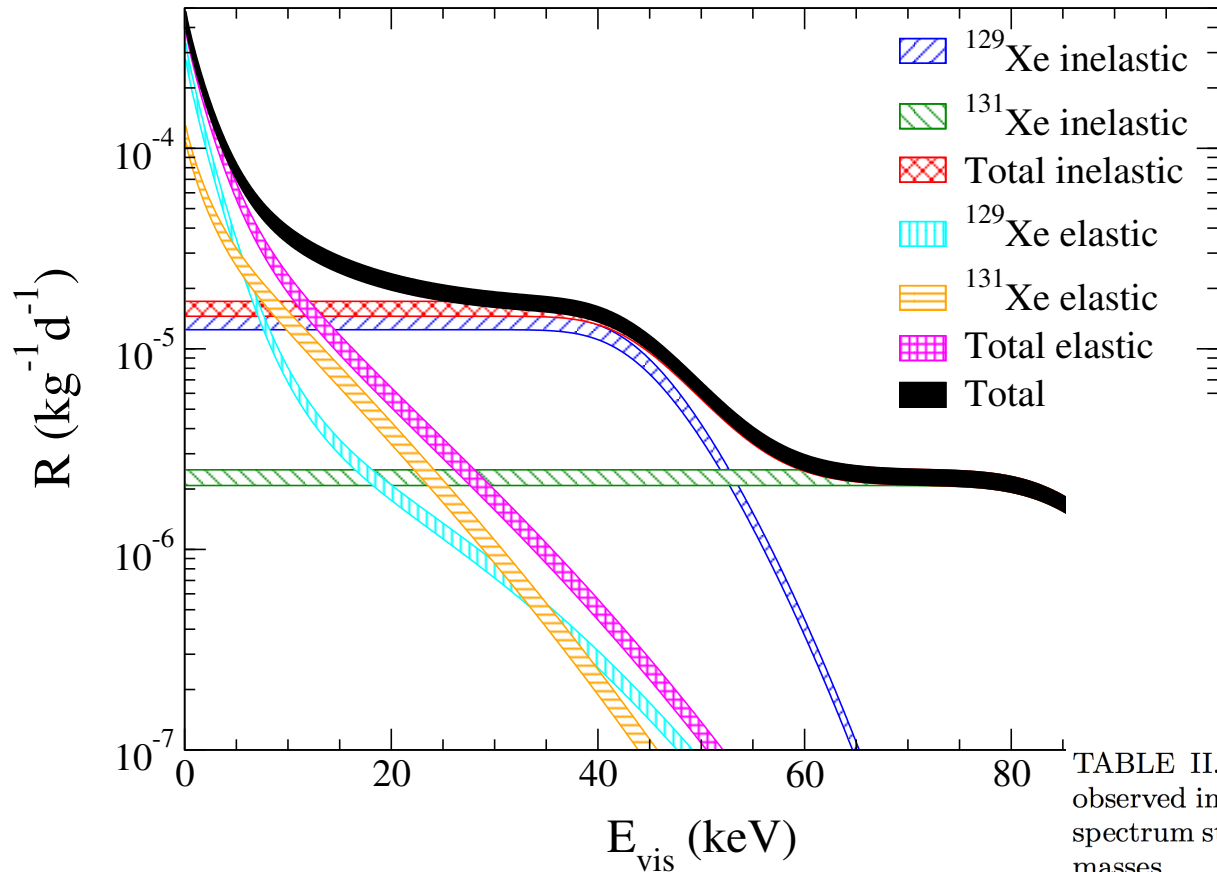


# Signatures for **inelastic** WIMP scattering

elastic recoil + **prompt  $\gamma$  from de-excitation**

combined information from elastic and inelastic channel will allow to **determine dominant interaction channel** in one experiment

**inelastic excitation sensitive to WIMP mass**



Mass [GeV]	$^{129}\text{Xe}$	$^{131}\text{Xe}$	Total
10	—	—	—
25	5	—	5
50	7	17	9
100	7	24	12
250	9	32	19
500	11	35	24

TABLE II. Minimum energy  $E_{\text{vis}}$  in keV above which the observed inelastic spectrum for  $^{129}\text{Xe}$ ,  $^{131}\text{Xe}$  and for the total spectrum starts to dominate the elastic one for various WIMP masses.

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		$t$	$\mathbf{x}$	$t$	$\mathbf{x}$
$V$	1b	0	1 + 2	2	0 + 2
	2b	4	2 + 2	2	4 + 2
	2b NLO	–	–	5	3 + 2
$A$	1b	0 + 2	1	2 + 2	0
	2b	4 + 2	2	2 + 2	4
	2b NLO	–	–	5 + 2	3

WIMP	Nucleon	$S$	$P$
$S$	1b	2	1
	2b	3	5
	2b NLO	–	4
$P$	1b	2 + 2	1 + 2
	2b	3 + 2	5 + 2
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SD interactions are axial-vector (A) – A interactions, SI is scalar (S) – S

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matching to non-relativistic EFT

Fitzpatrick et al., JCAP (2013)

without chiral physics

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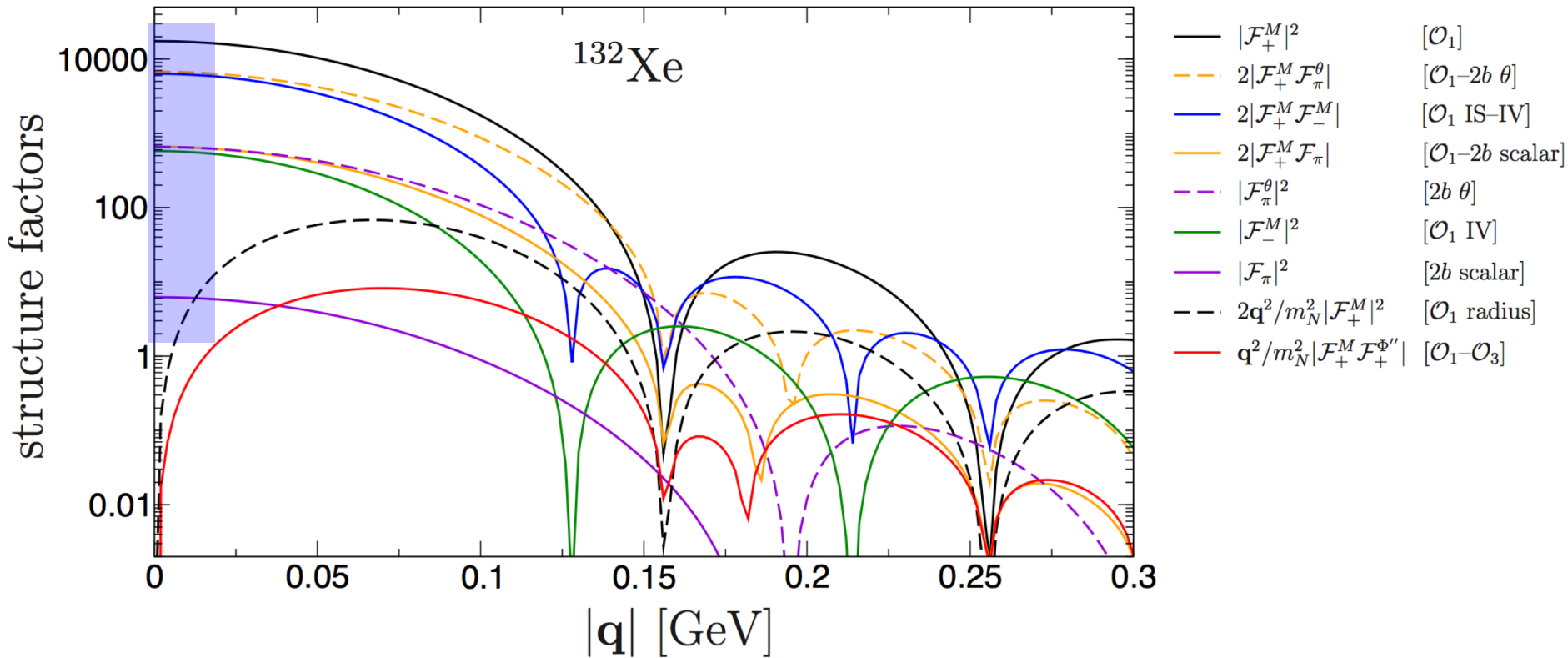
shows that NREFT operators are not linearly indep. (e.g., 4+6 are SD)

and not all are present up to  $v=3$  (only 8 of 11 operators)

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include all QCD effects + new operators that are coherent ( $\sim A$ )



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first new operator  $\mathcal{O}_3$  contribution is 4 orders smaller

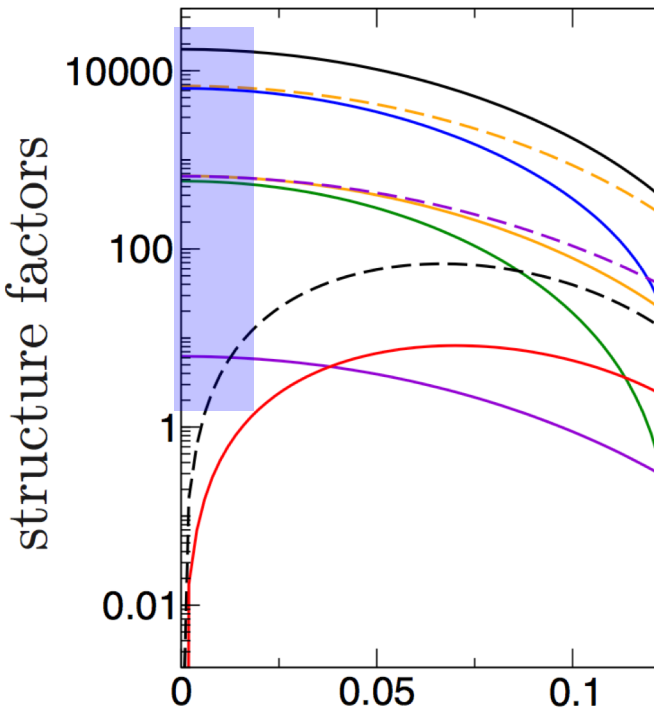


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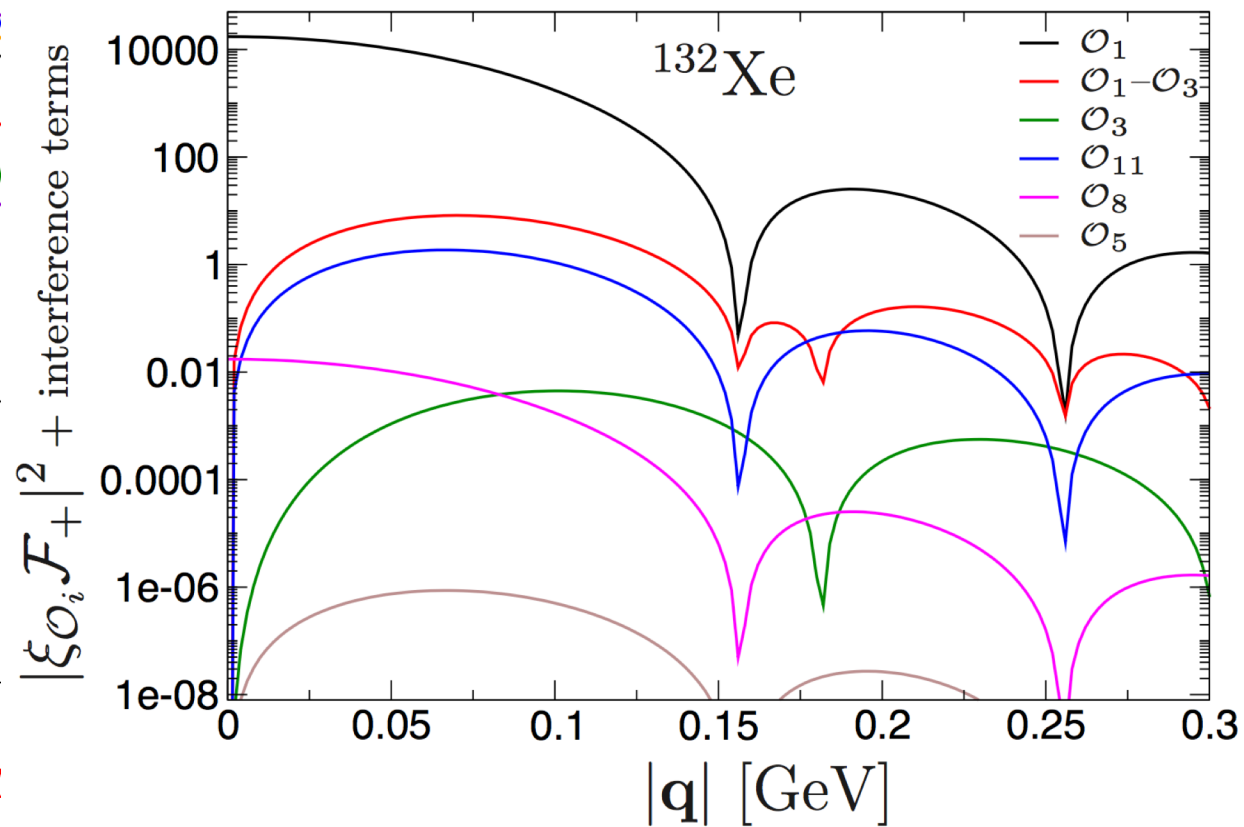
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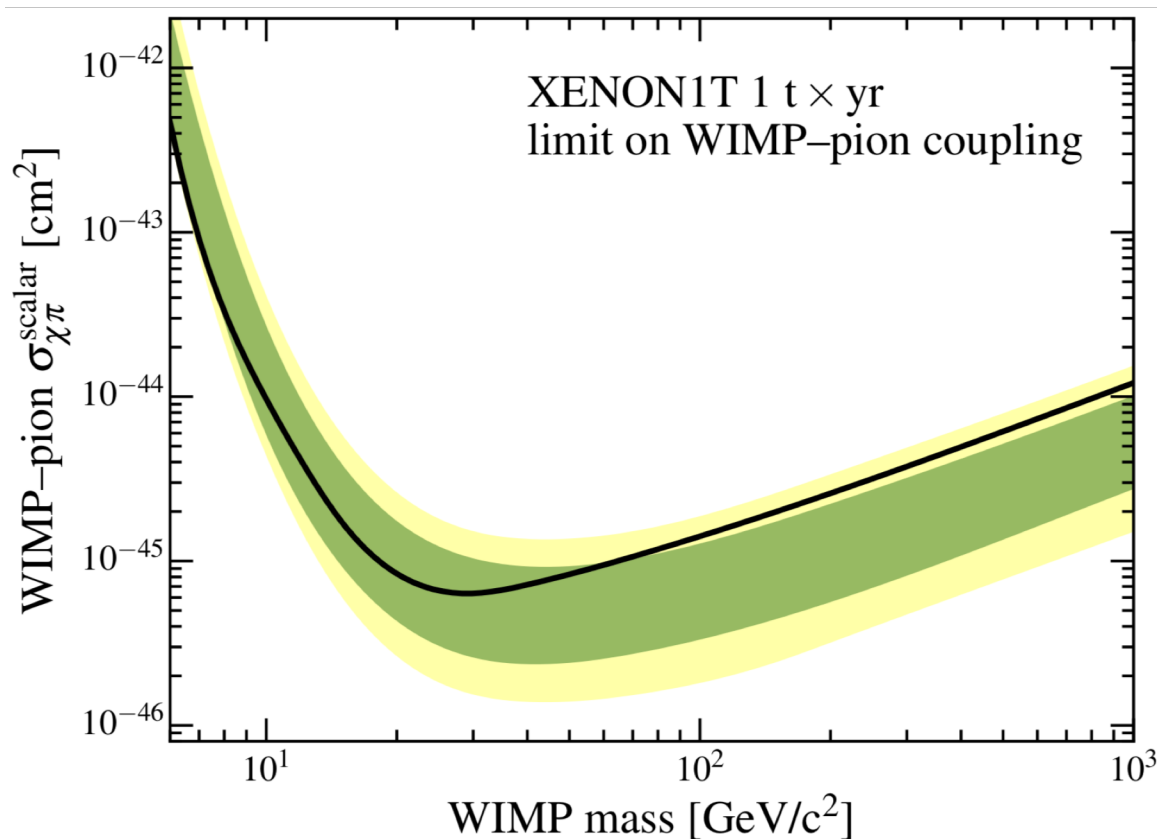
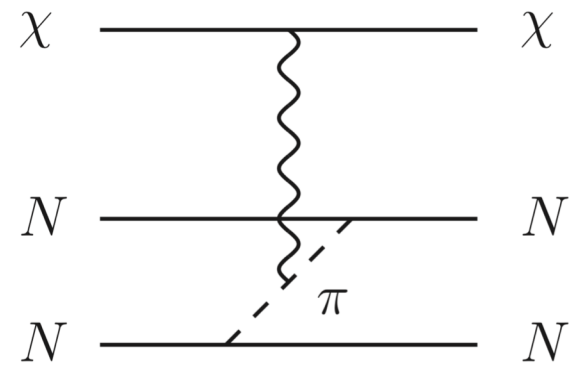


# First limits for WIMP-pion interactions Aprile et al., PRL (2019)

based on chiral EFT for WIMP-pion interactions  
are partially coherent (between SI and SD)

$$A^2 \gg 4 \left( \frac{M_\pi}{\Lambda_\chi} \right)^6 \left( \frac{m_N}{M_\pi} \right)^2 A^2 \gg \frac{4}{3} \frac{J+1}{J} \langle \mathbf{S}_{n/p} \rangle^2$$

$$1.7 \times 10^4 \gg 1.1 \times 10^3 \gg 0.34, 0.13 \text{ for } ^{129,131}\text{Xe}$$



# Summary

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## **chiral effective field theory**

nuclear forces and electroweak/WIMP/... interactions,  
systematic for energies below  $\sim 300$  MeV, so for direct detection

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