

Neutron halo in deformed nuclei : decoupling between core and halo

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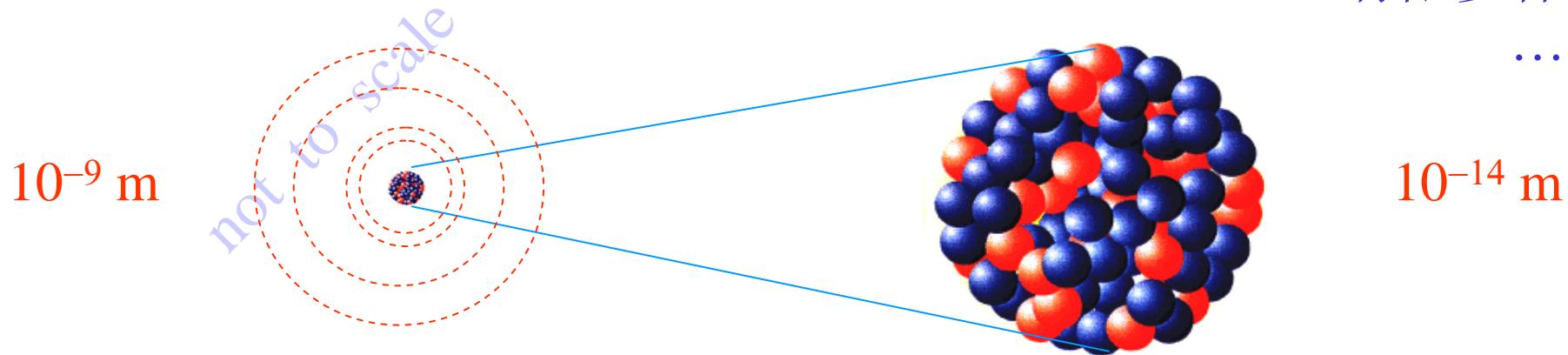
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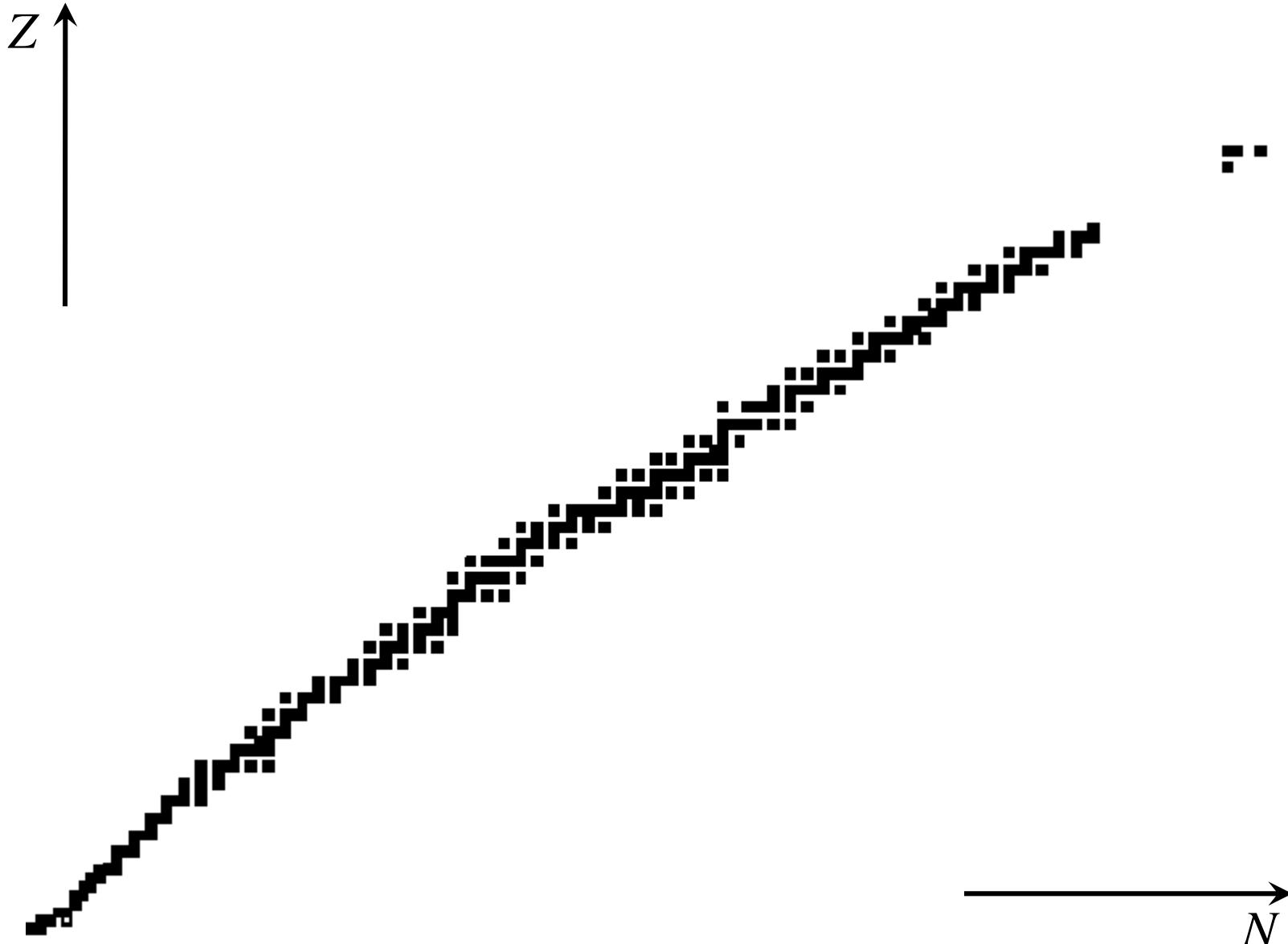
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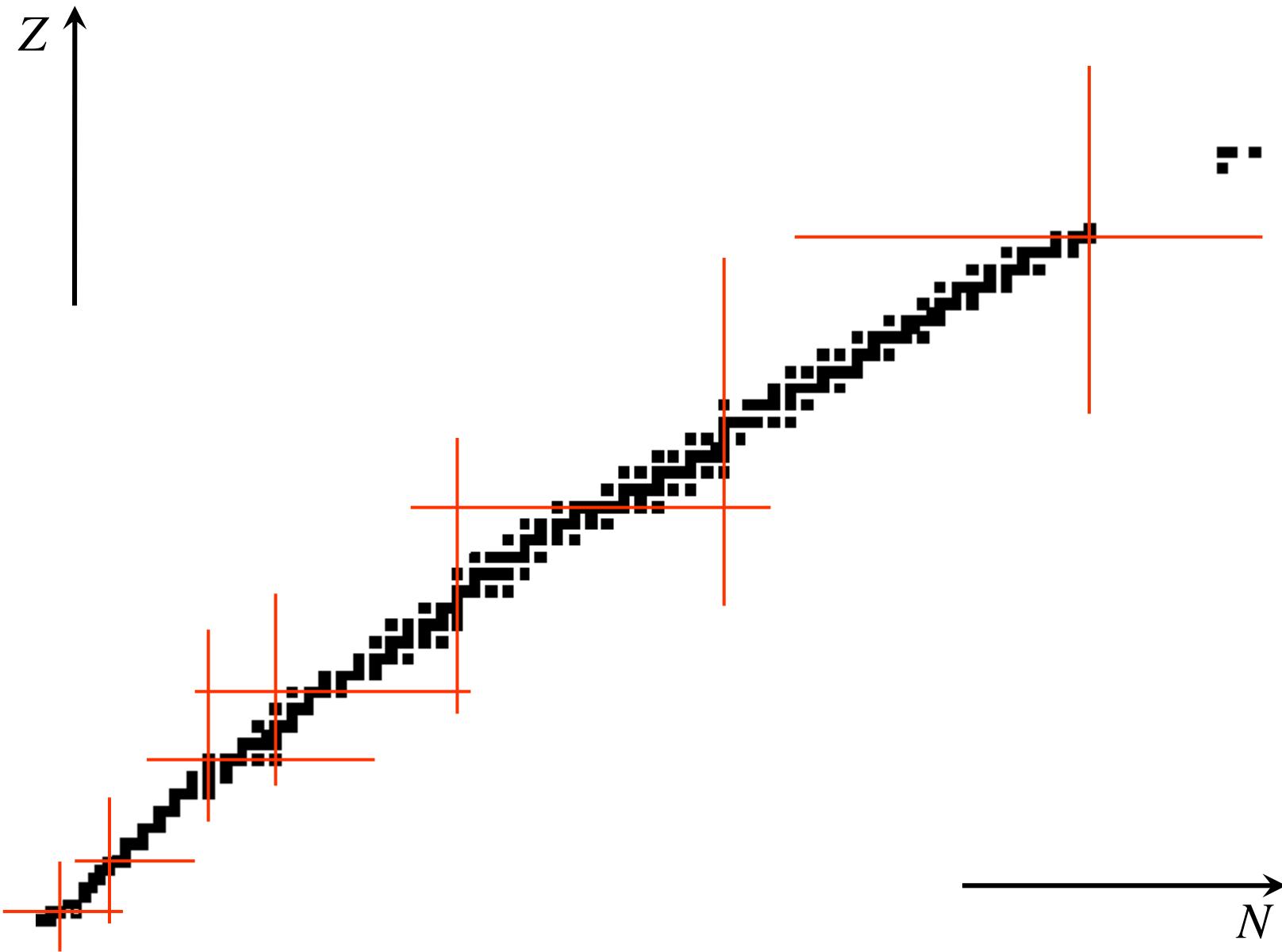


- ✓ 原子核（核素）：质子 & 中子（核子）
- ✓ 元 素：质子数Z相同的原子核的统称，例如氧 O ($Z = 8$)
- ✓ 同位素：质子数相同、中子数不同的核素，例如 ^{16}O ($Z = 8$, $N = 8$) & ^{18}O ($Z = 8$, $N = 10$), ...
- ✓ 原子核性质 $\Leftarrow Z \& N, A = Z+N$
 - ✓ 大小： $V \sim A, R \sim A^{1/3}$ （核力饱和性、核物质不可压缩性）
 - ✓ 平均结合能：约为 8 MeV （稳定核）
- ✓ 幻数：2, 8, 20, 28, 50, 82, ...

"Stable" nuclei (<300)



Magic numbers 幻數

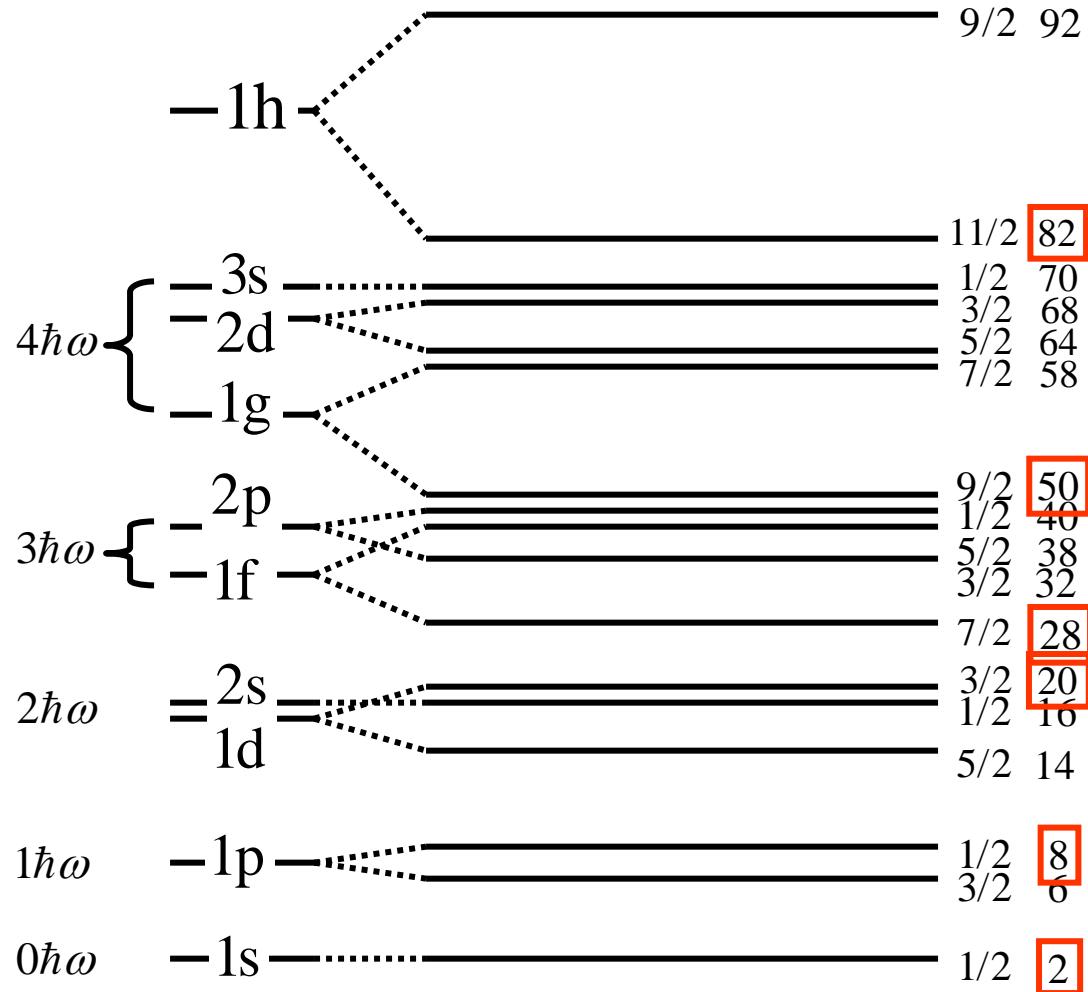


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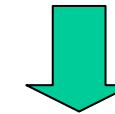
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Woods-Saxon

$$\kappa \vec{l} \cdot \vec{s}$$



实验观测

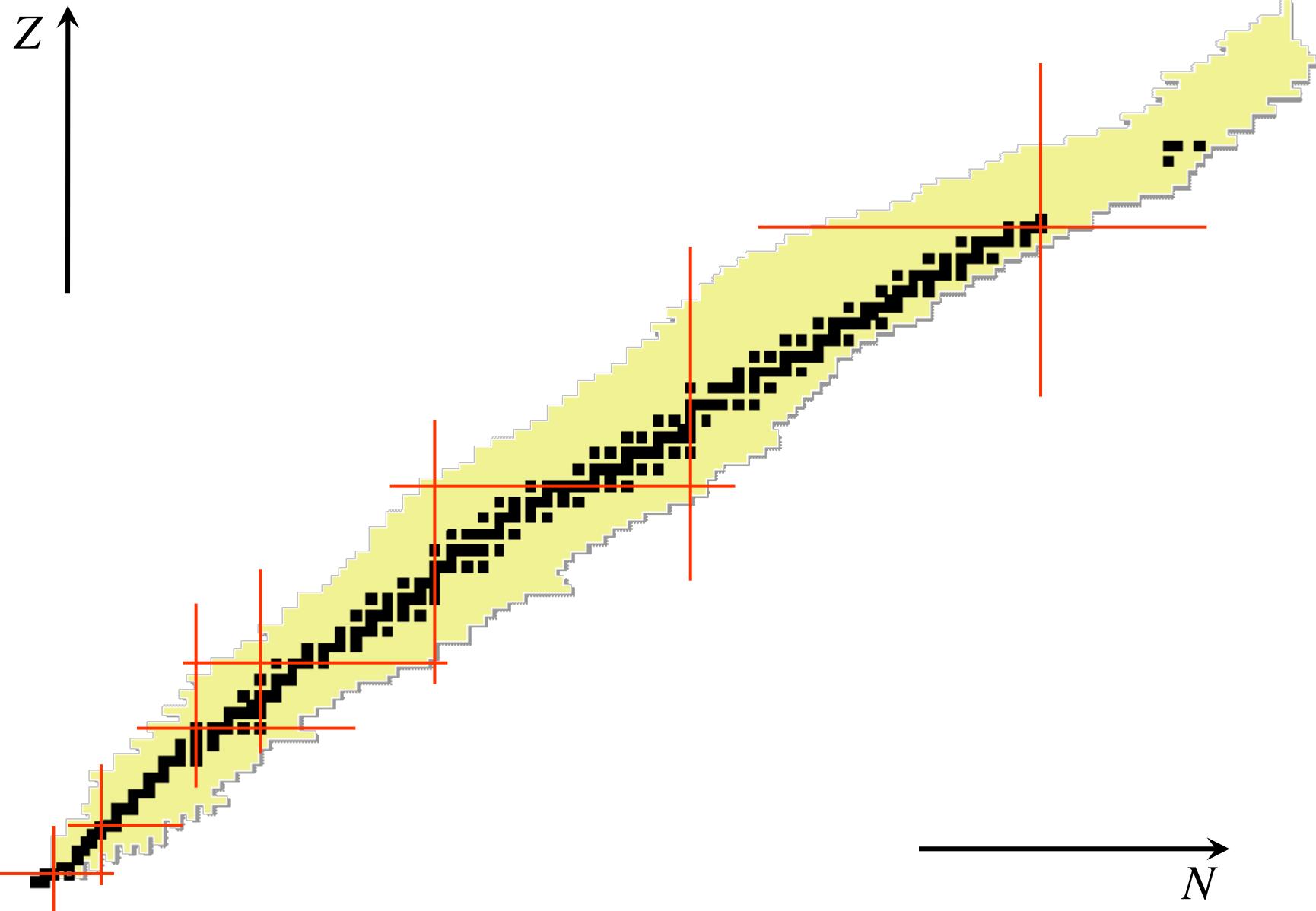


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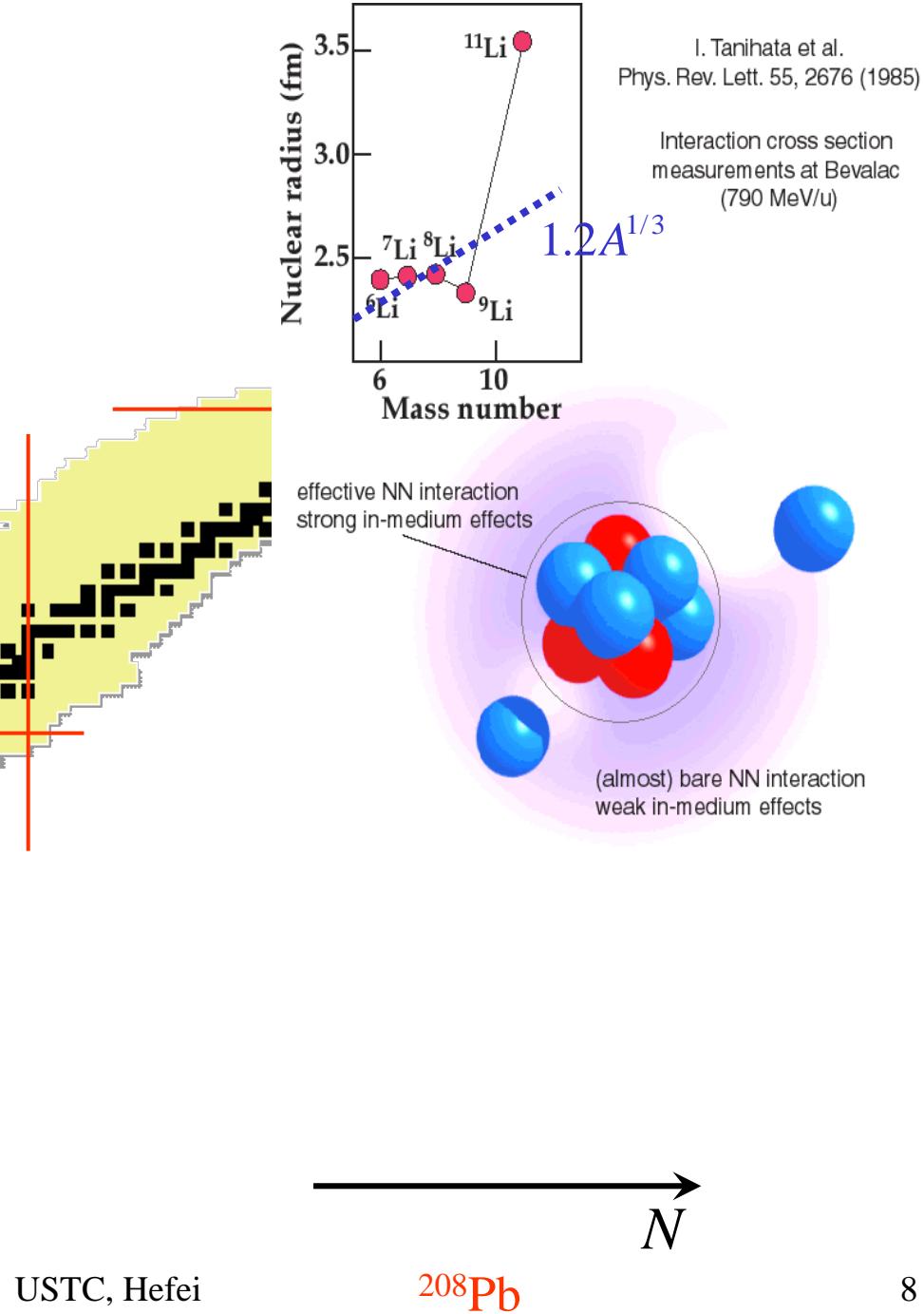
magic numbers

幻数——壳模型的基础

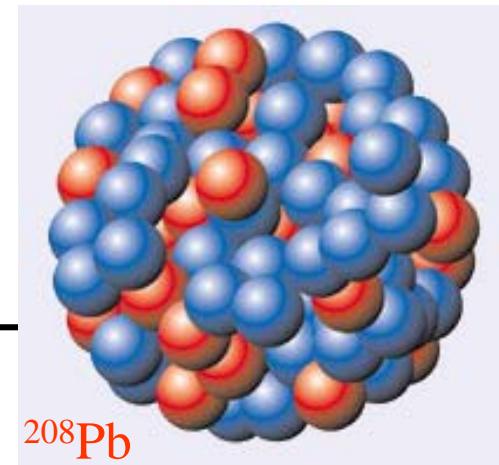
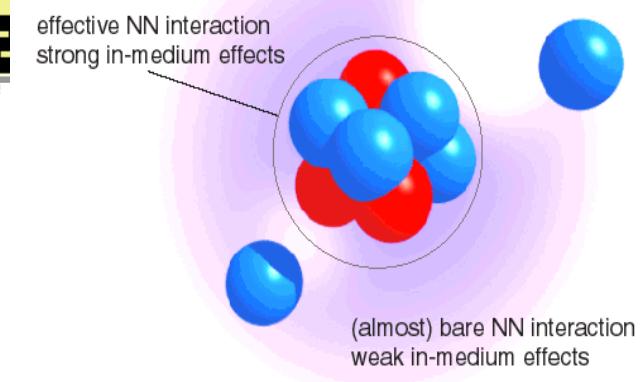
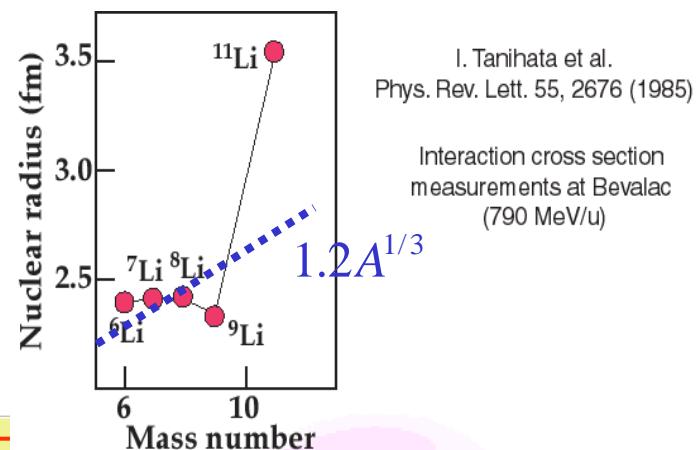
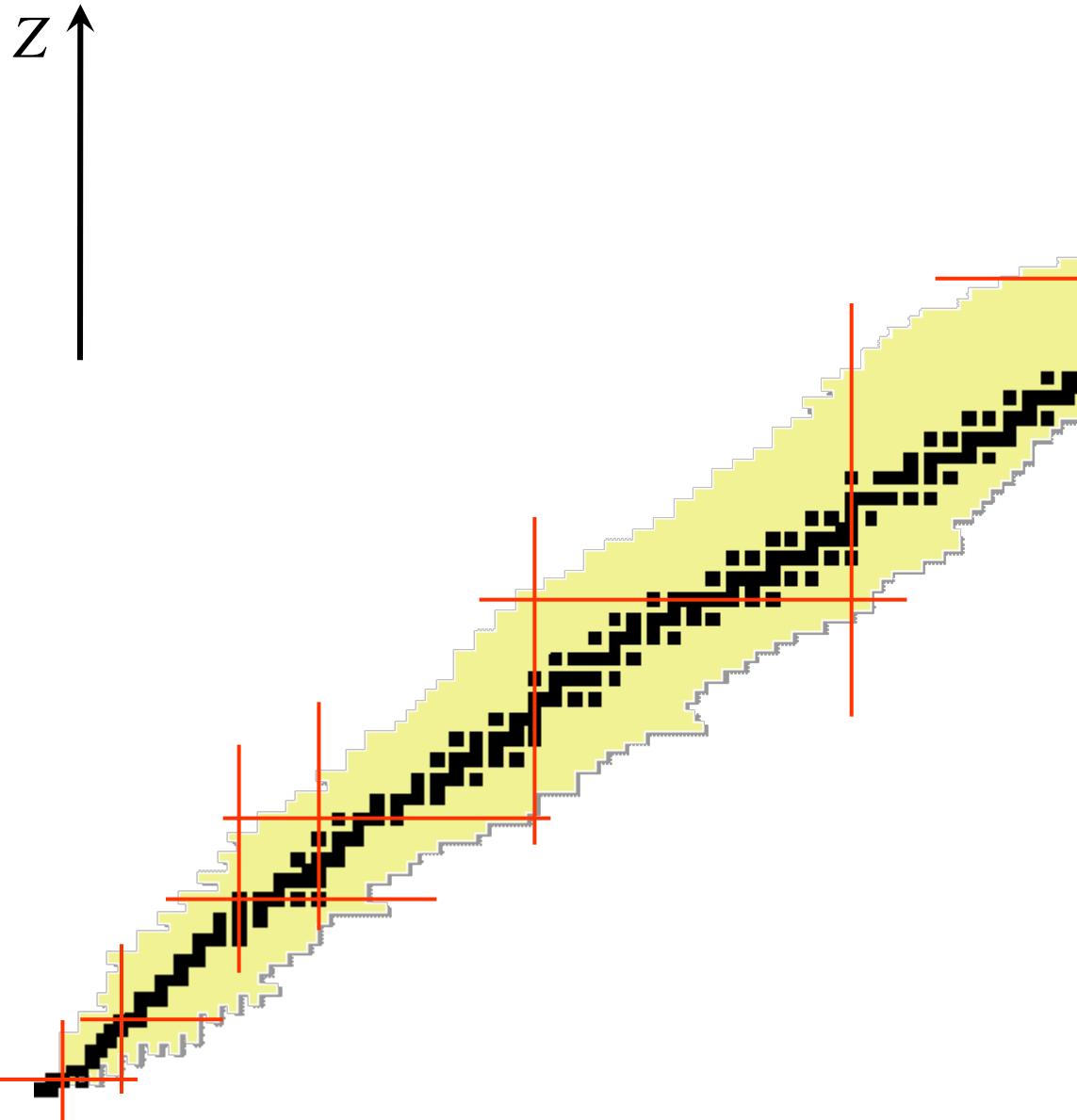
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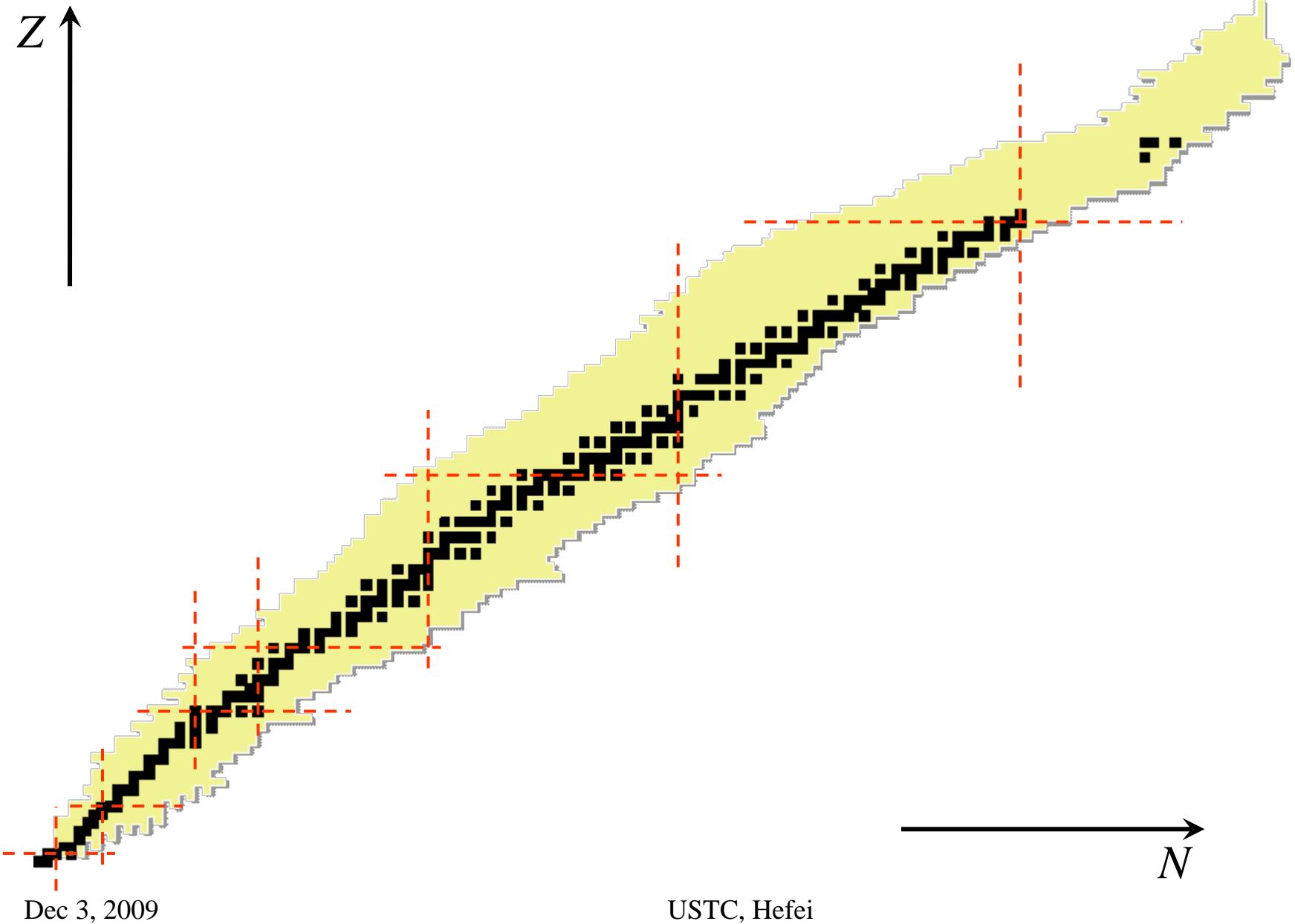
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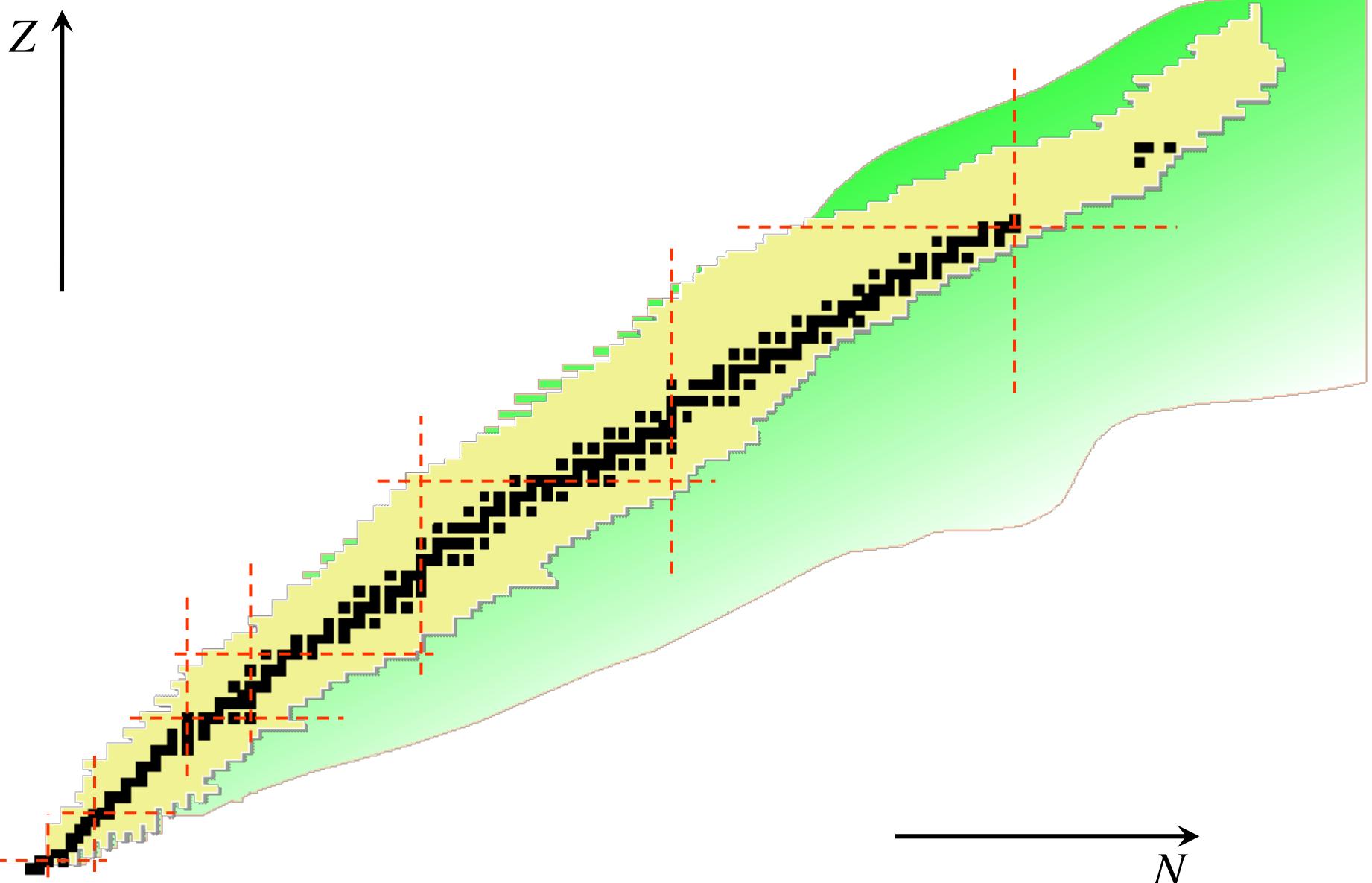
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Changes of MAGIC numbers

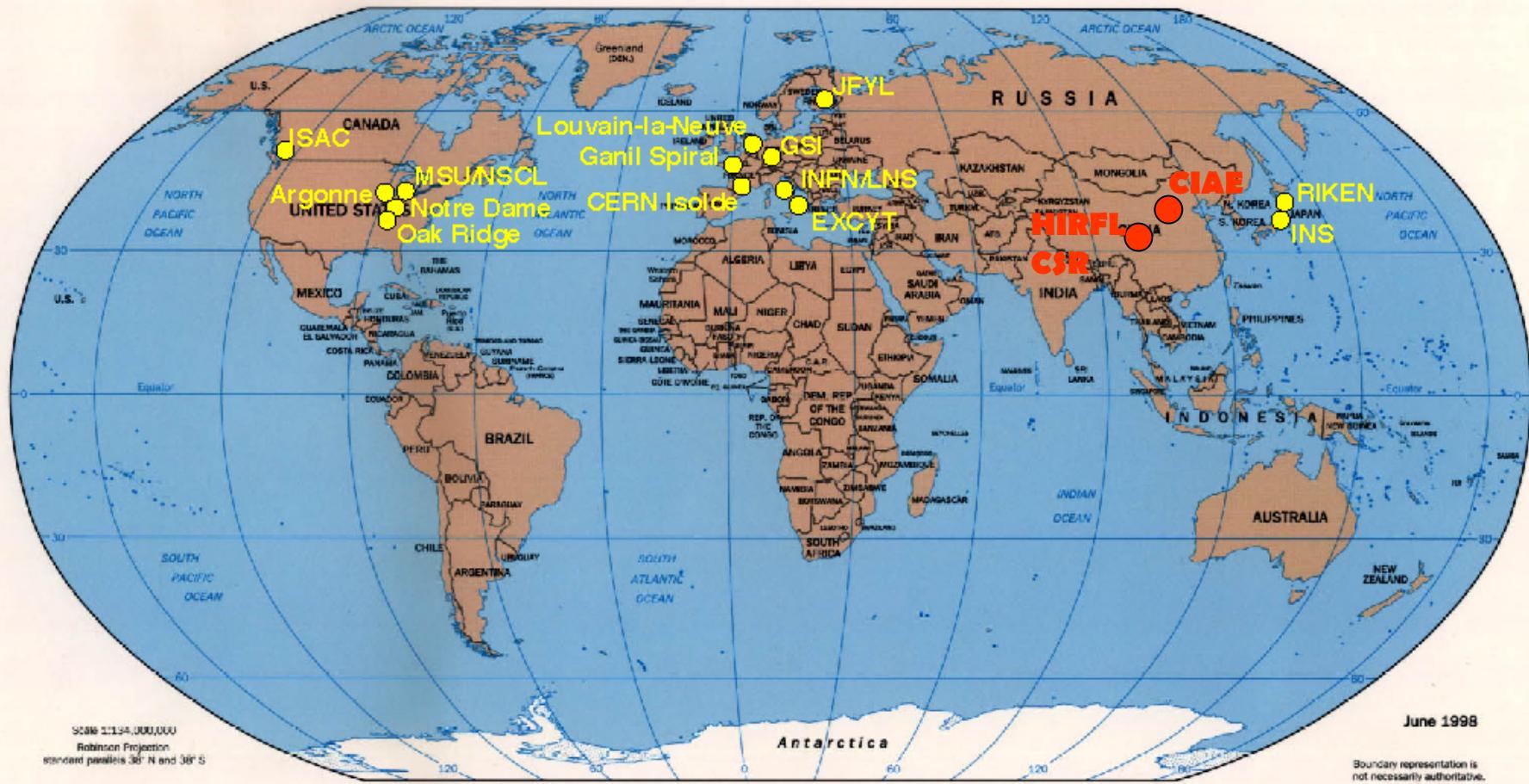


Theory: much more exotic nuclei !



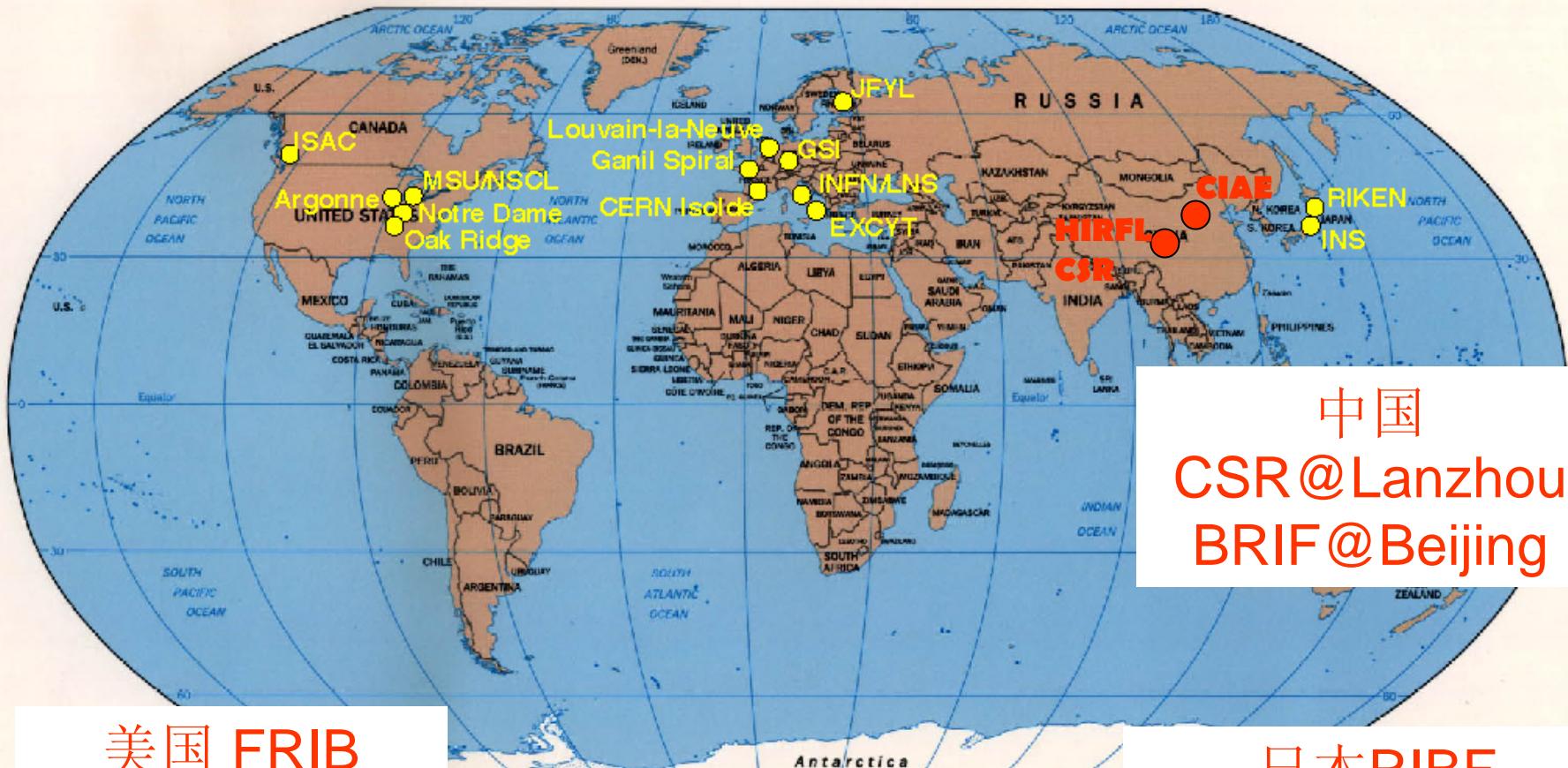
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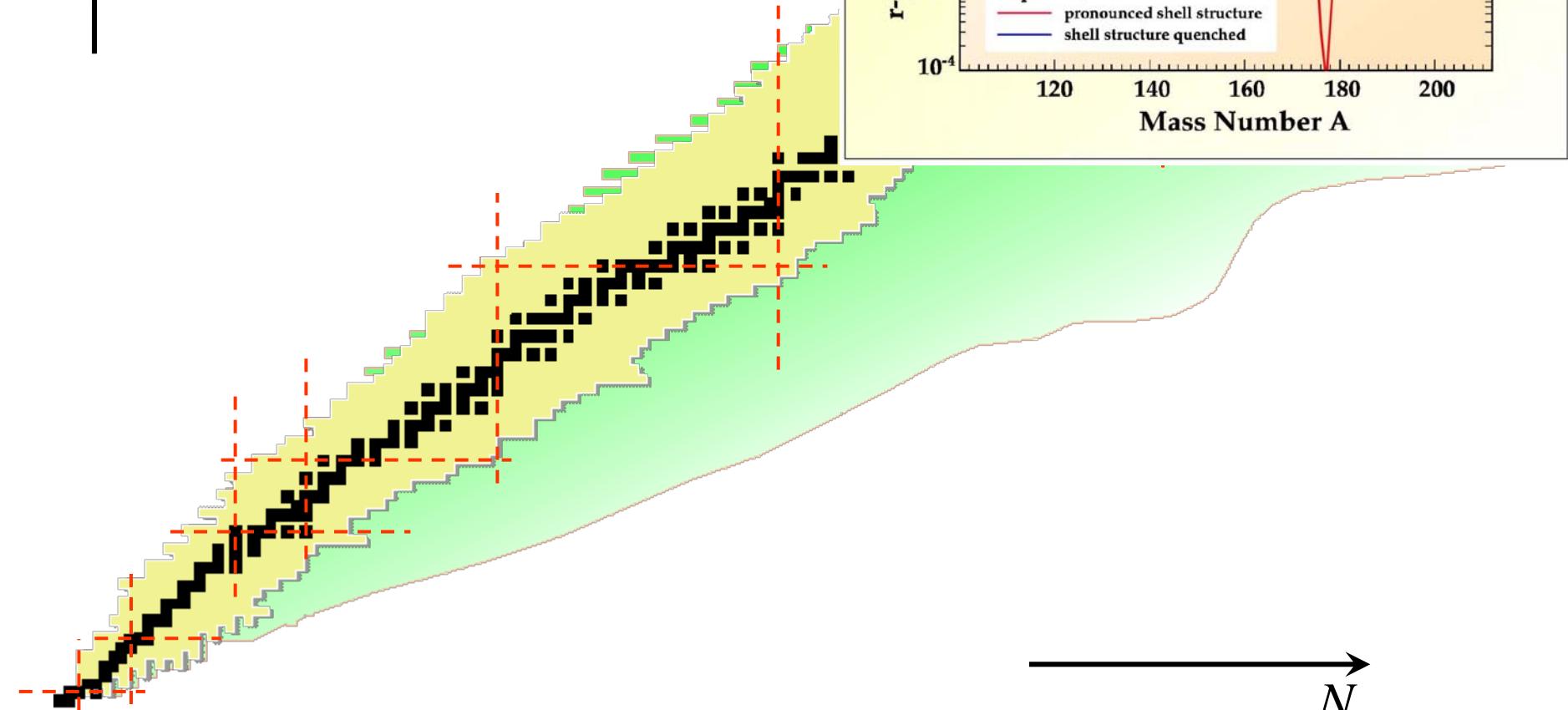
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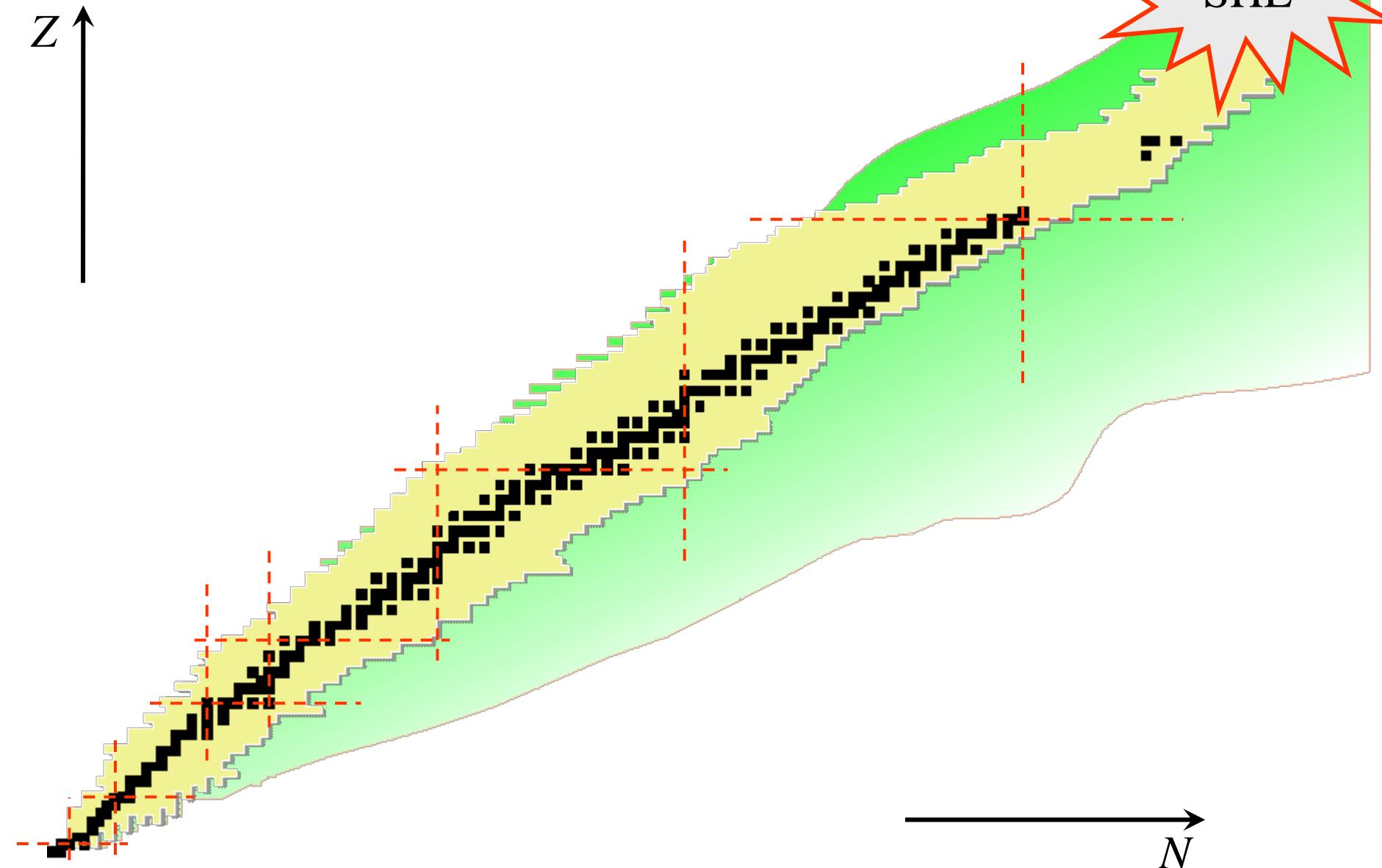
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SHE: super heavy elements

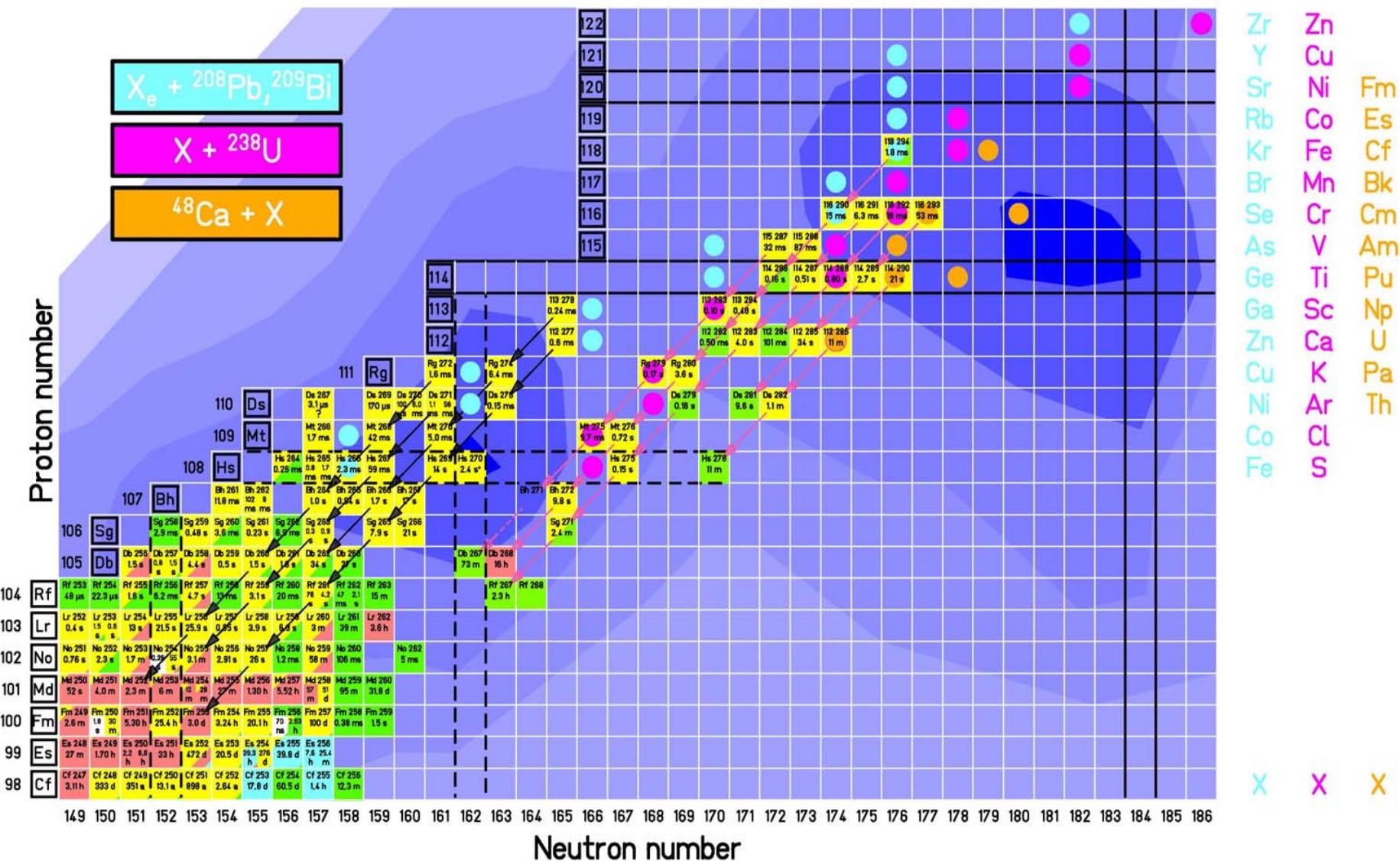


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SHE: experimental status



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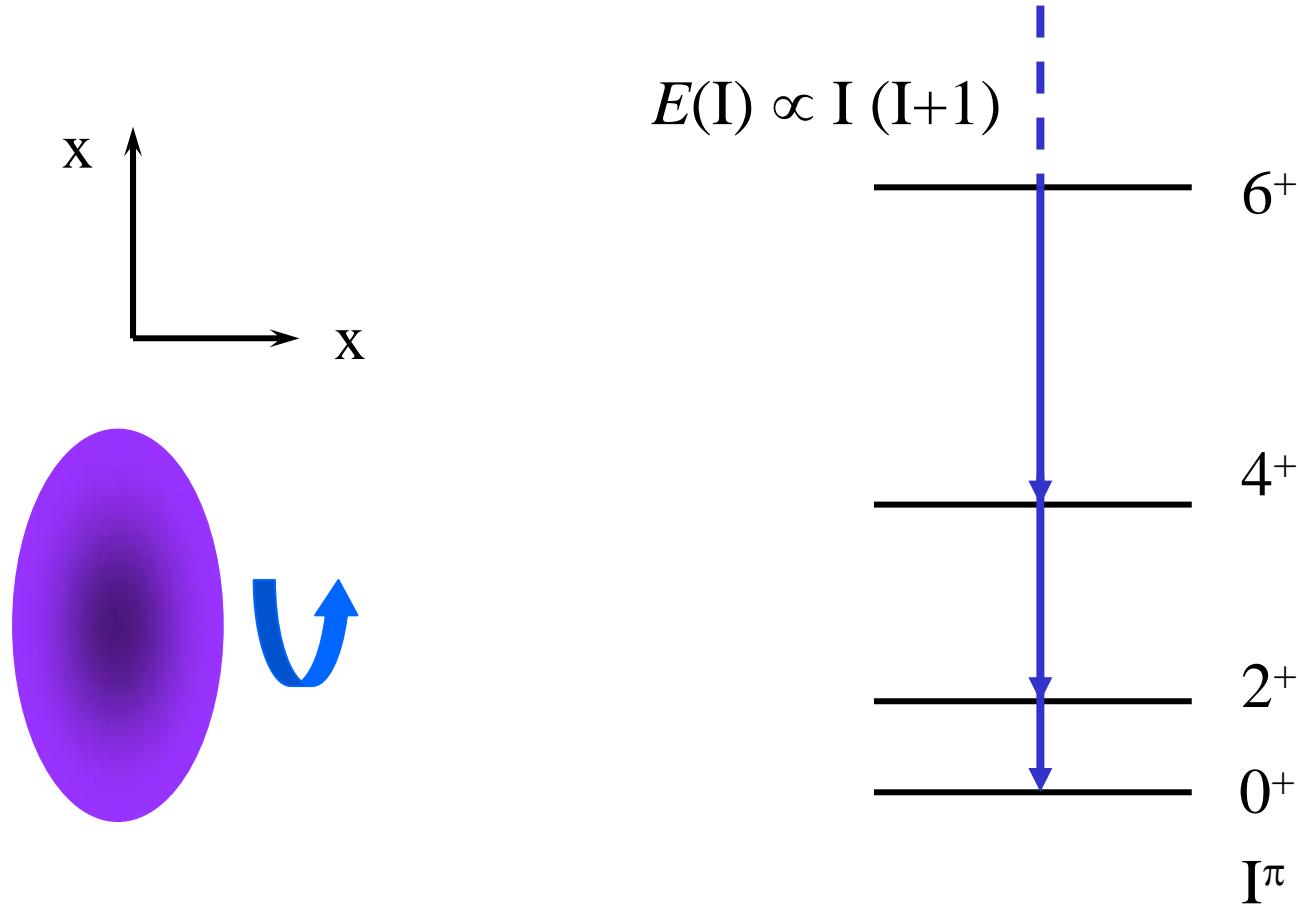
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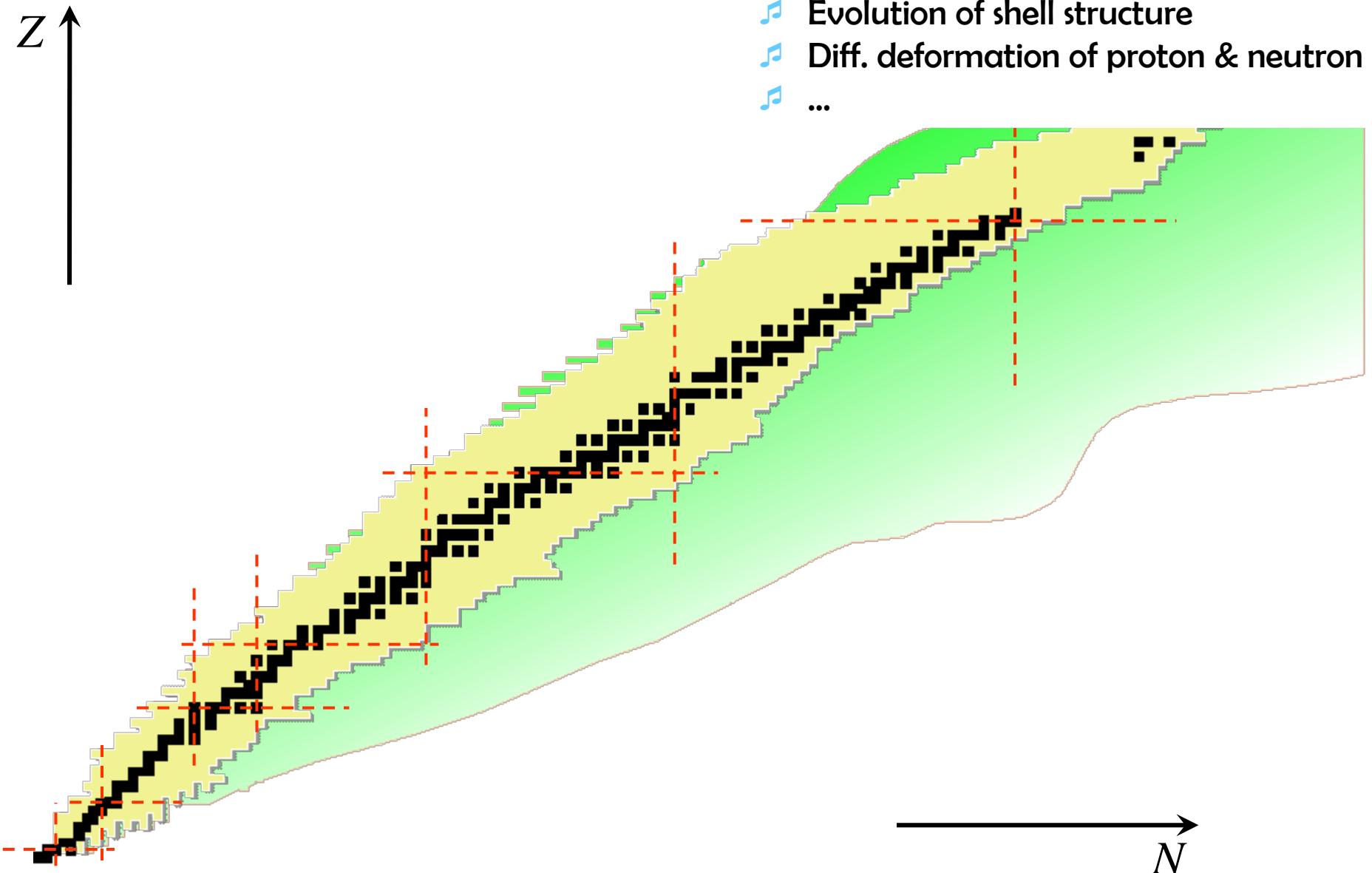
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Nucl ear Shapes



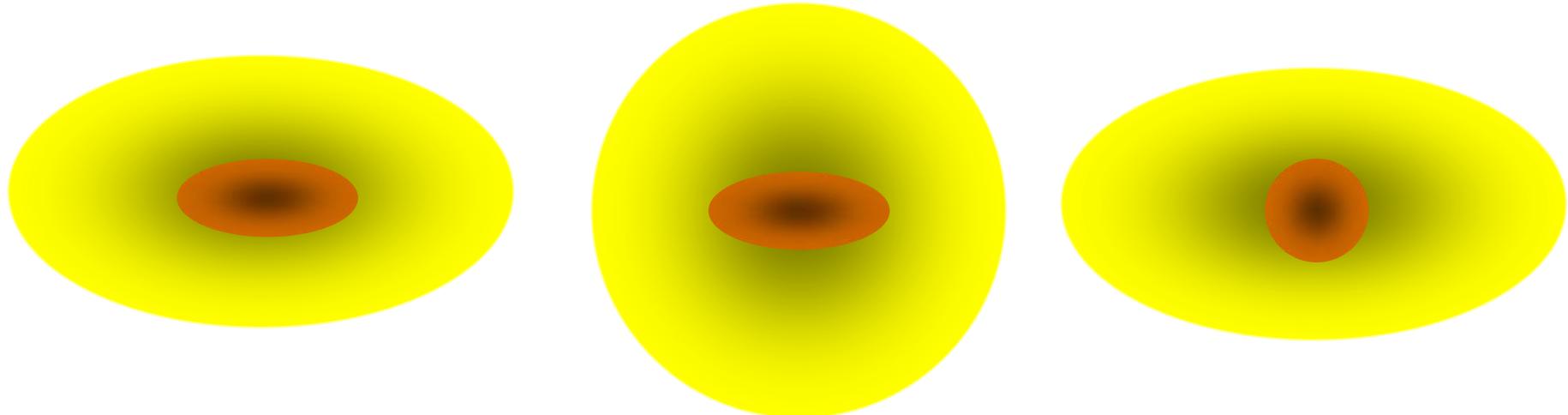
Deformation effects

- 🎵 Halo in deformed nucl.
- 🎵 Island of inversion
- 🎵 Evolution of shell structure
- 🎵 Diff. deformation of proton & neutron
- 🎵 ...



Deformed Halo? Deformed core?

Decoupling of the core and halo in deformed nuclei?



$^{11,14}\text{Be}$
Ne isotopes
...

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The deformed spheroidal square well potential is given by

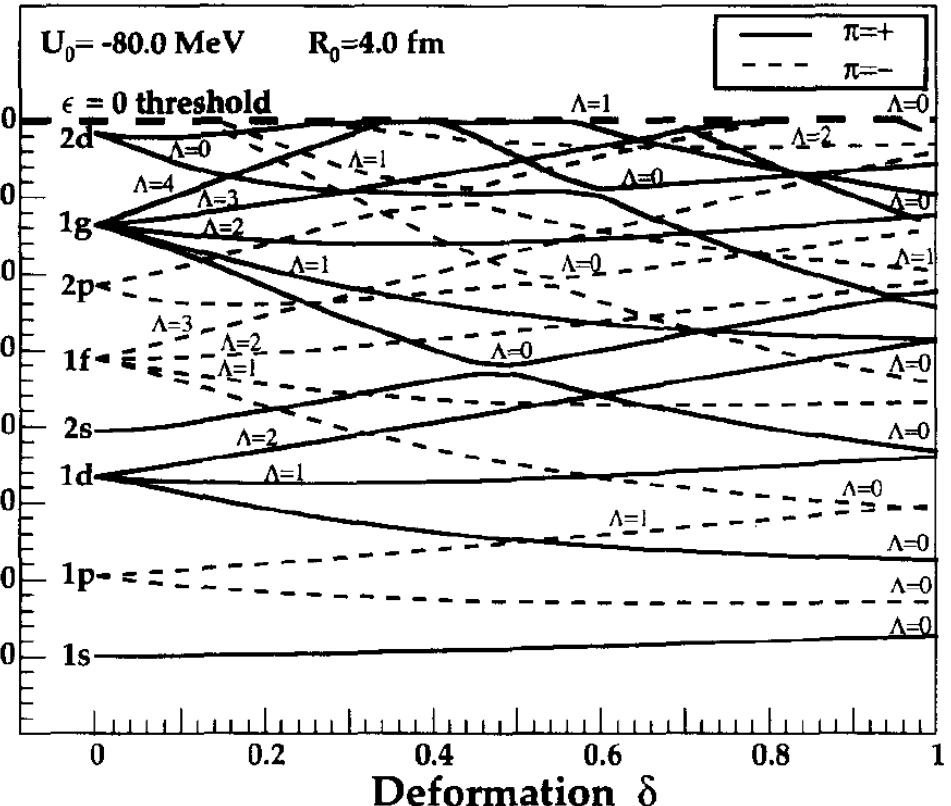
$$U(\xi) = \begin{cases} U_0 & \text{for } \xi \leq \xi_0, \\ 0 & \text{for } \xi > \xi_0, \end{cases}$$

$$x = a\sqrt{(\xi^2 - 1)(1 - \eta^2)} \cos \phi,$$

$$y = a\sqrt{(\xi^2 - 1)(1 - \eta^2)} \sin \phi,$$

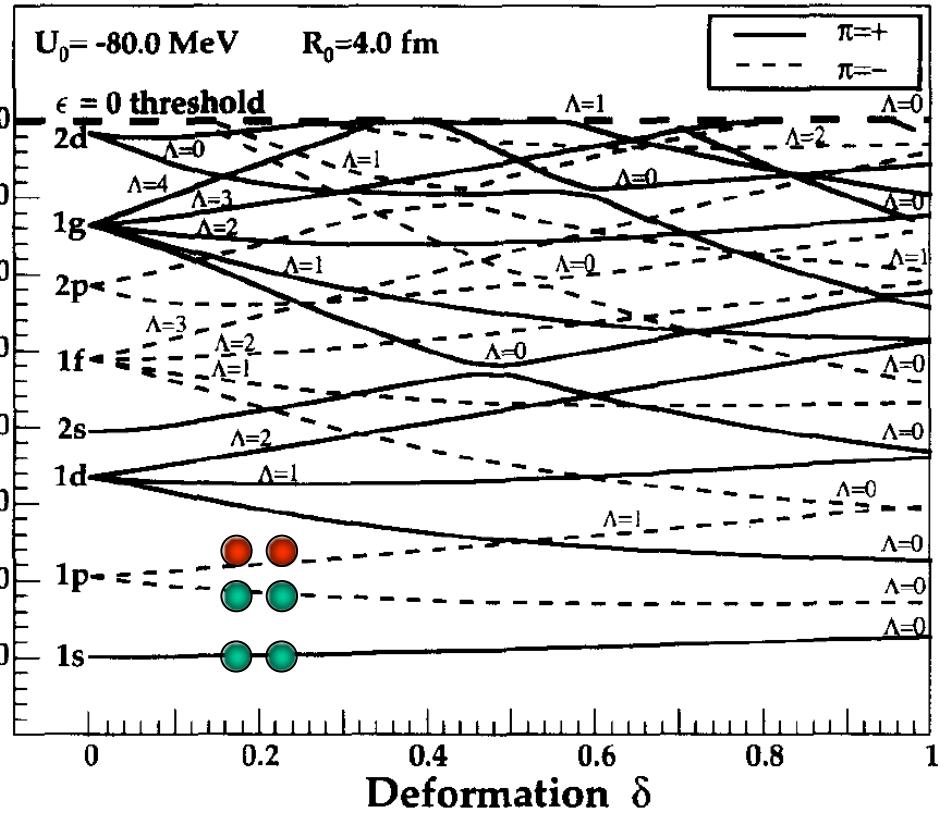
$$z = a\xi\eta,$$

Single-Particle Energies (MeV)



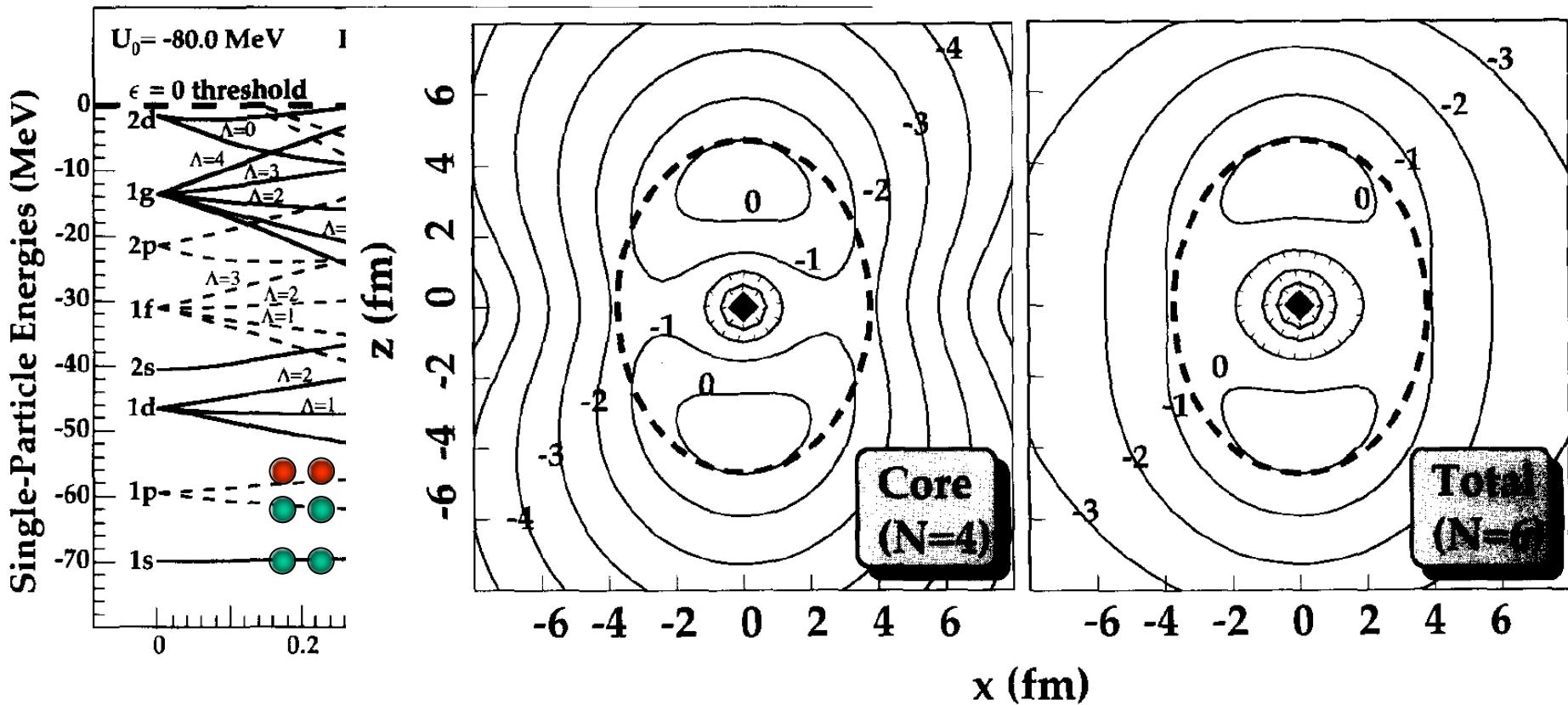
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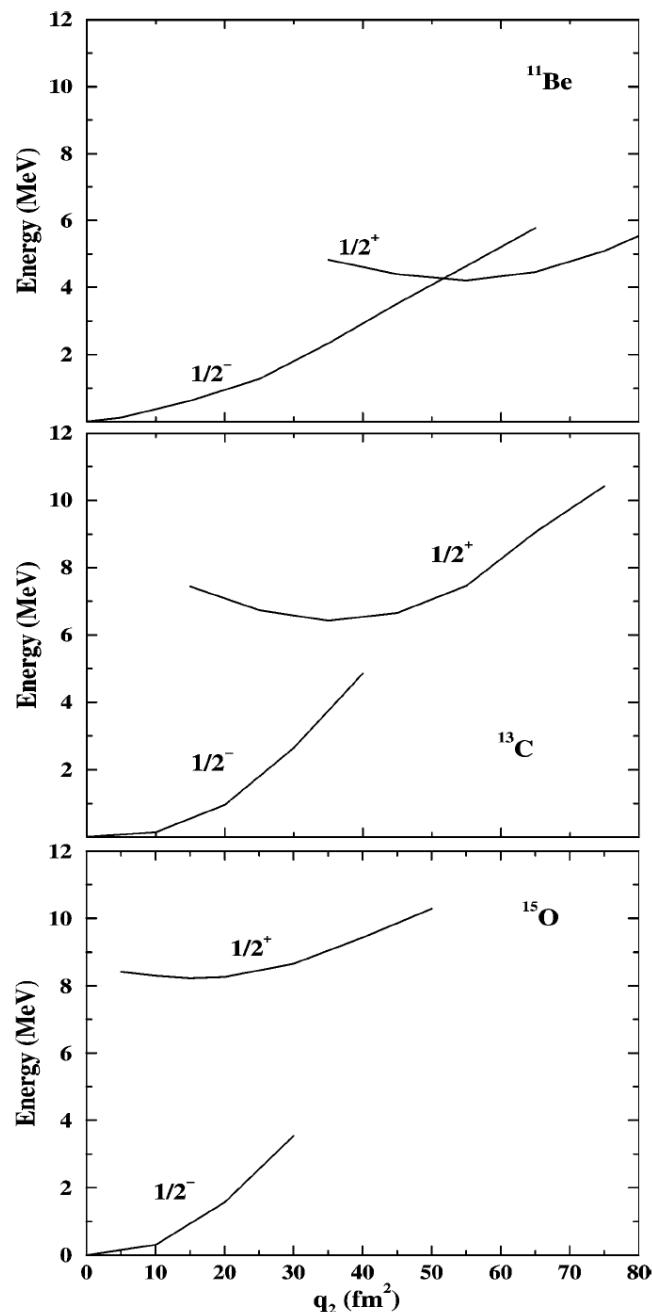
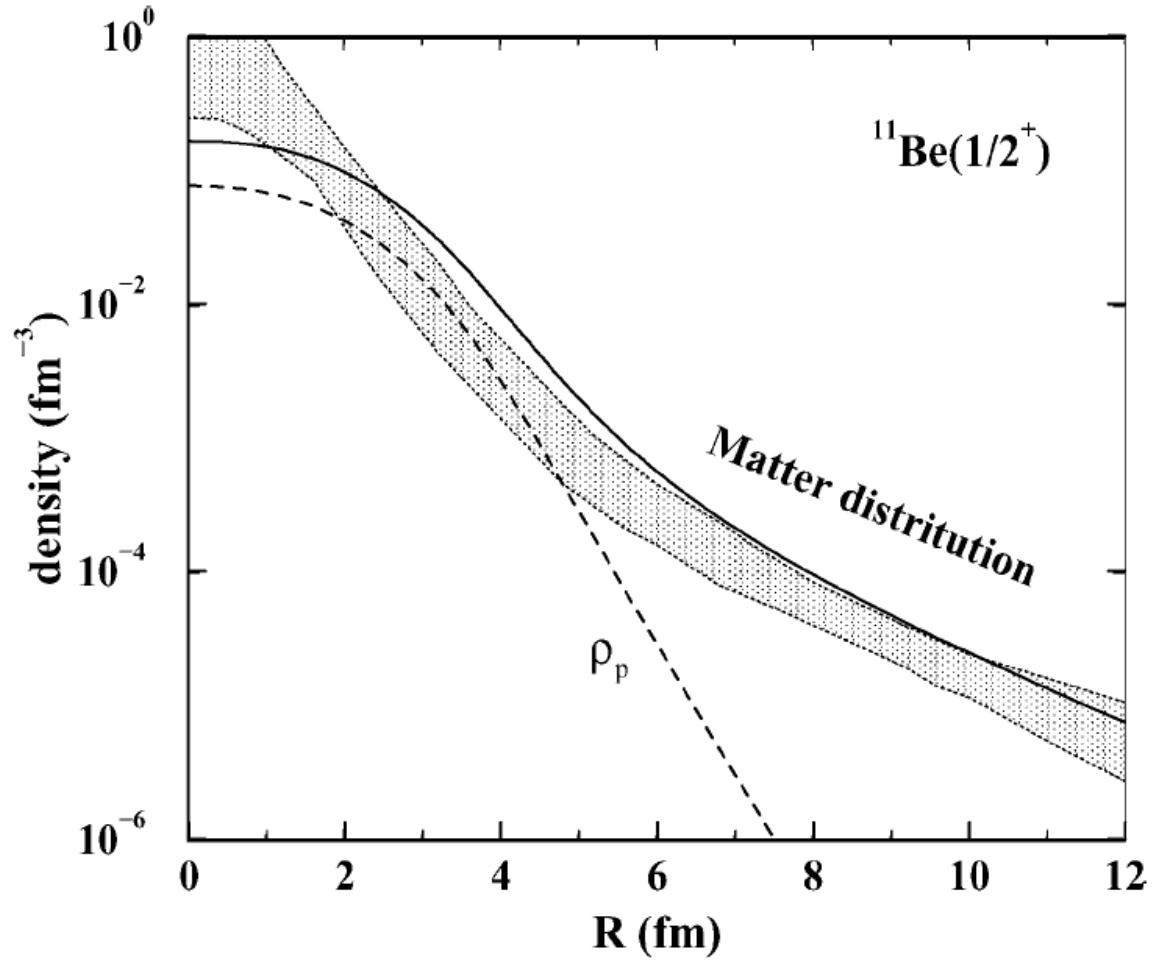
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Skyrme Hartree-Fock calc. for ^{11}Be

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Nunes: no halo in deformed nuclei !



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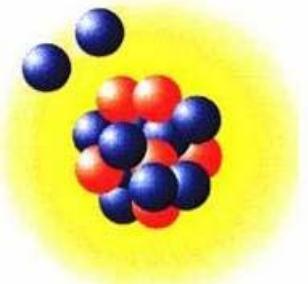
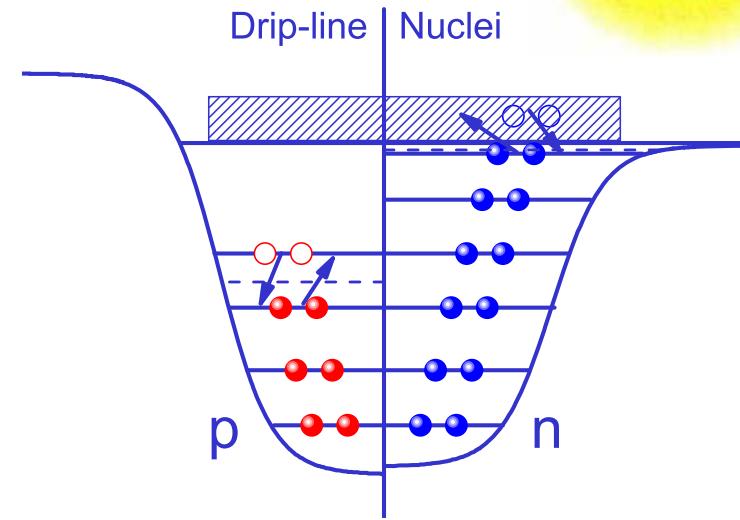
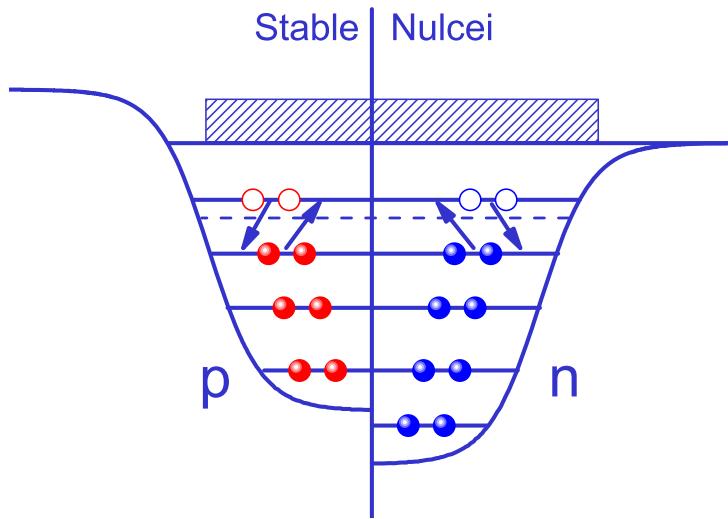
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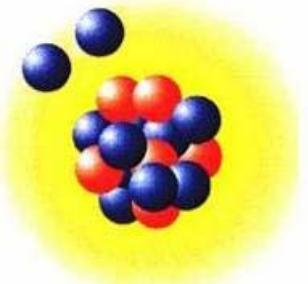
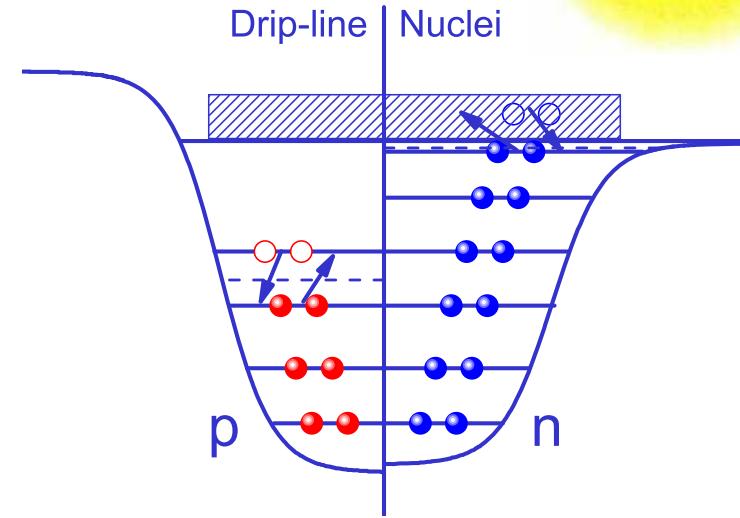
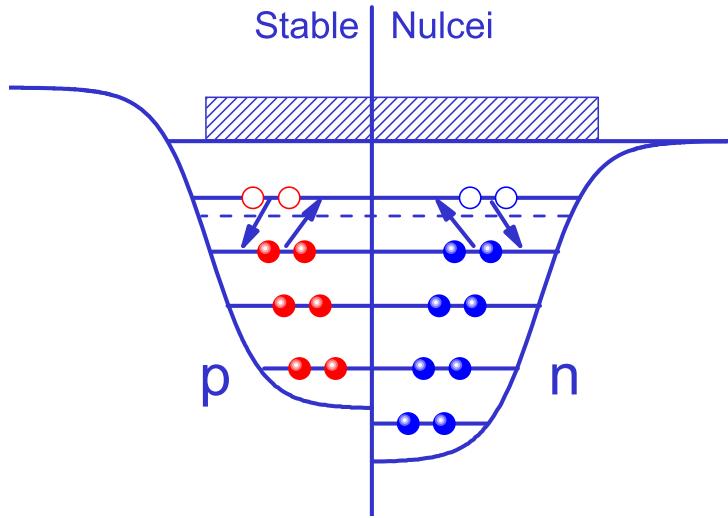
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- Continuum can not be ignored



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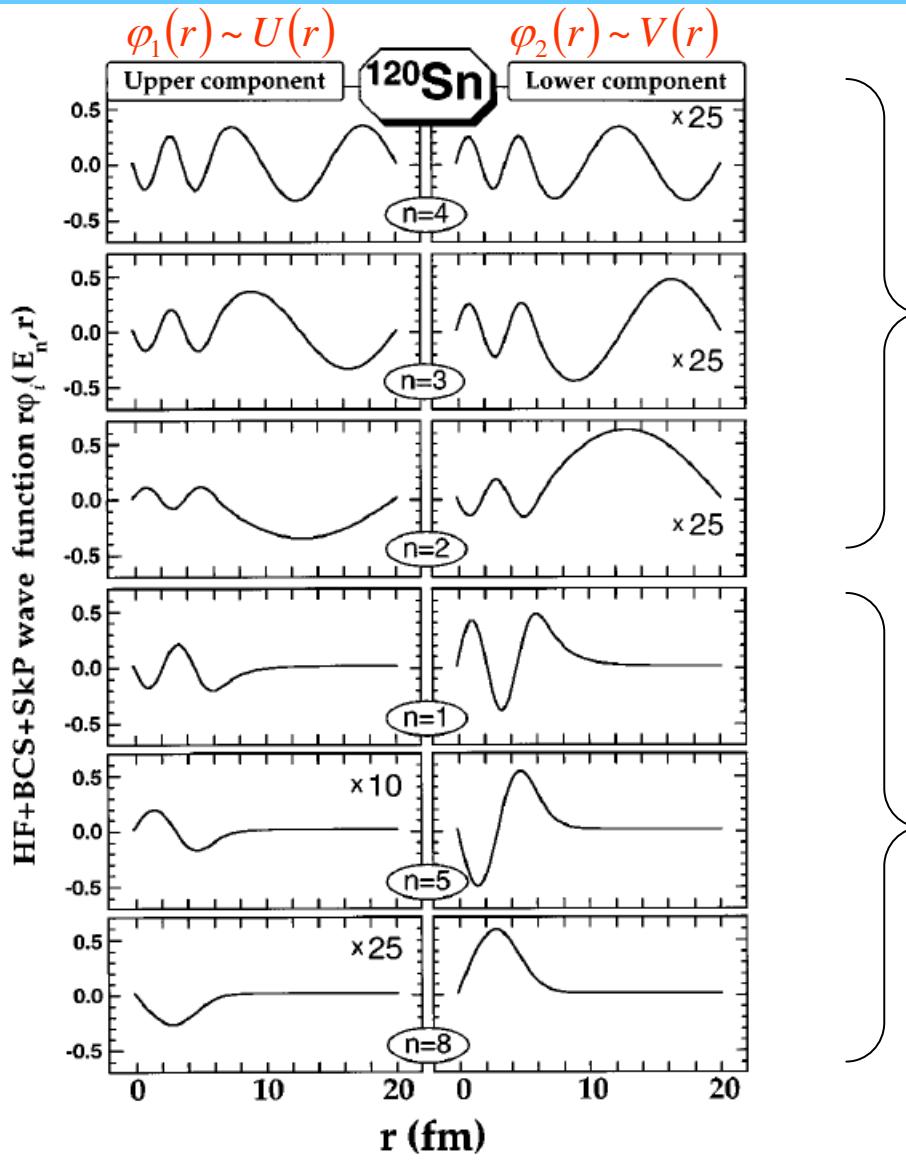
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Self-consistent description:

- Deformation
- Weakly bound, continuum
- Large spatial distribution
- Couplings among ...

BCS and Continuum

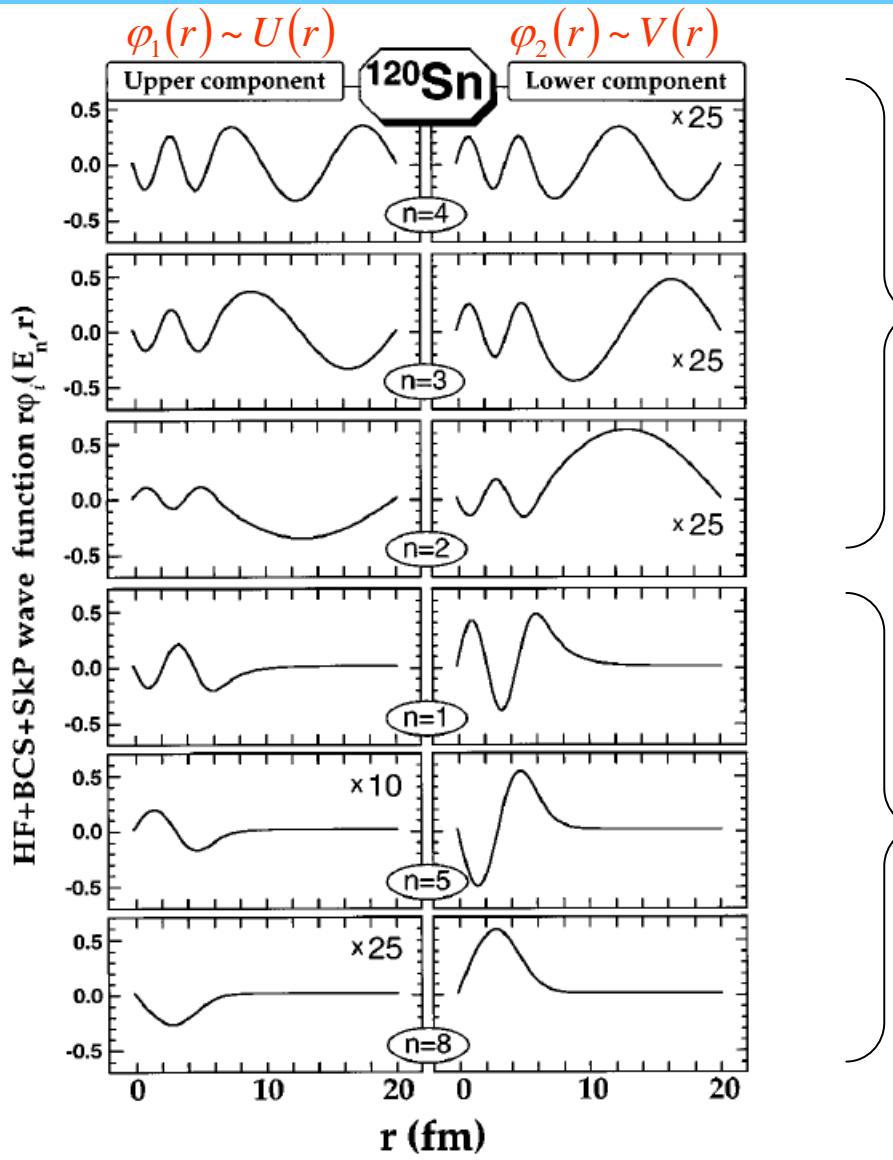


Positive energy States

Bound States

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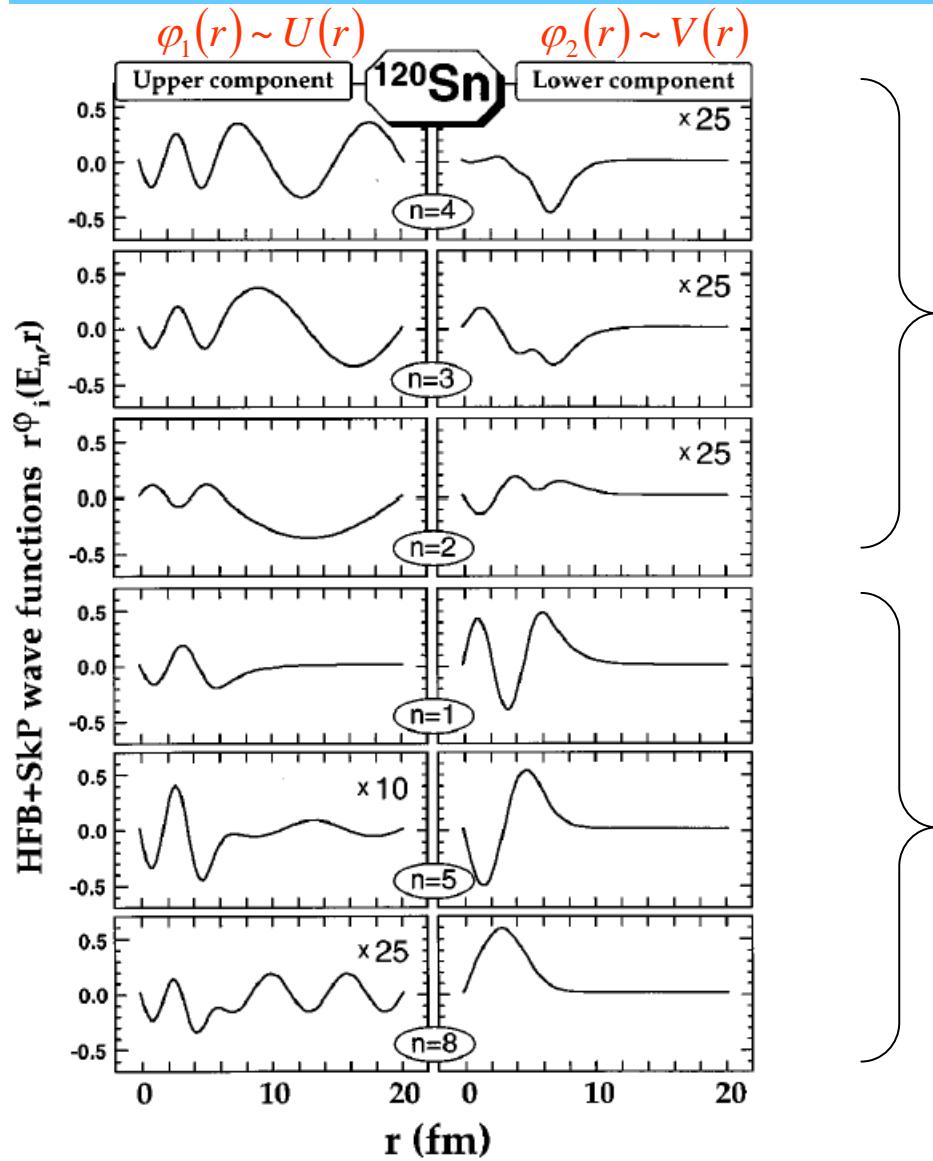
Positive energy States

*Even a smaller occupation
of positive energy states
gives a non-localized density*

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Contribution of continuum in r-HFB

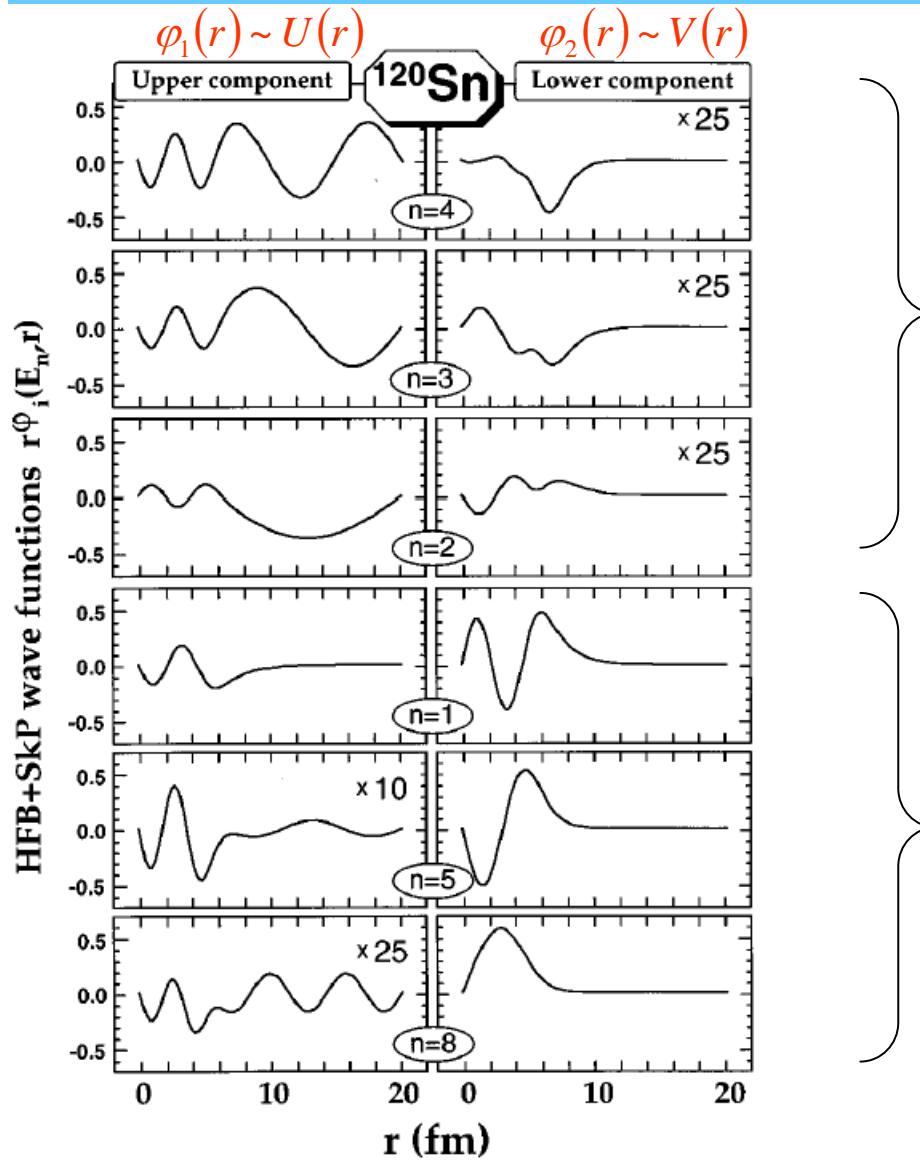


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Positive energy States

- $V(r)$ determines the density
- the density is localized even if $U(r)$ oscillates at large r

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Relativistic mean field model

$$L = \bar{\psi}_i \left(i\gamma_\mu \partial^\mu - M \right) \psi_i + \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \sigma \partial^\mu \sigma - U(\sigma) - g_\sigma \bar{\psi}_i \sigma \psi_i$$

$$- \frac{1}{4} \Omega_{\mu\nu} \Omega^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} m_\omega^2 \omega_\mu \omega^\mu - g_\omega \bar{\psi}_i \gamma_\mu \omega^\mu \psi_i$$

$$- \frac{1}{4} \bar{R}_{\mu\nu} \bar{R}^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} m_\rho^2 \bar{\rho}_\mu \bar{\rho}^\mu - g_\rho \bar{\psi}_i \gamma_\mu \bar{\rho}^\mu \bar{\tau} \psi_i$$

$$- \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} - e \bar{\psi}_i \frac{1 - \tau_3}{2} \gamma_\mu A^\mu \psi_i$$

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RMF: advantages

🎵 Nucleon-nucleon interaction

- ❖ Mesons degrees of freedom included
- ❖ Nucleons interact via exchanges mesons

🎵 Relativistic effects

- ❖ Two potentials: **scalar and vector potentials**
 - ⇒ the relativistic effects important **dynamically**
 - ⇒ New mechanism of saturation of nuclear matter
 - ⇒ Pseudo spin symmetry explained neatly and successfully
- ❖ Spin orbit coupling included **automatically**
 - ⇒ Anomalies in isotope shifts of Pb

🎵 Others

- ❖ More easily dealt with
- ❖ Less number of parameters
- ❖ ...

RMF (RHB) description of nuclei

♪ Ground state properties of nuclei

- ❖ Binding energies, radii, neutron skin thickness, etc.

♪ Halo nuclei

- ❖ RMF description of halo nuclei
- ❖ Predictions of giant halo
- ❖ Study of deformed halo

♪ Symmetries in nuclei

- ❖ Pseudo spin symmetry
- ❖ Spin symmetry

♪ Hyper nuclei

- ❖ Neutron halo and hyperon halo in hyper nuclei

♪ ...

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RMF in a Woods-Saxon basis: progress

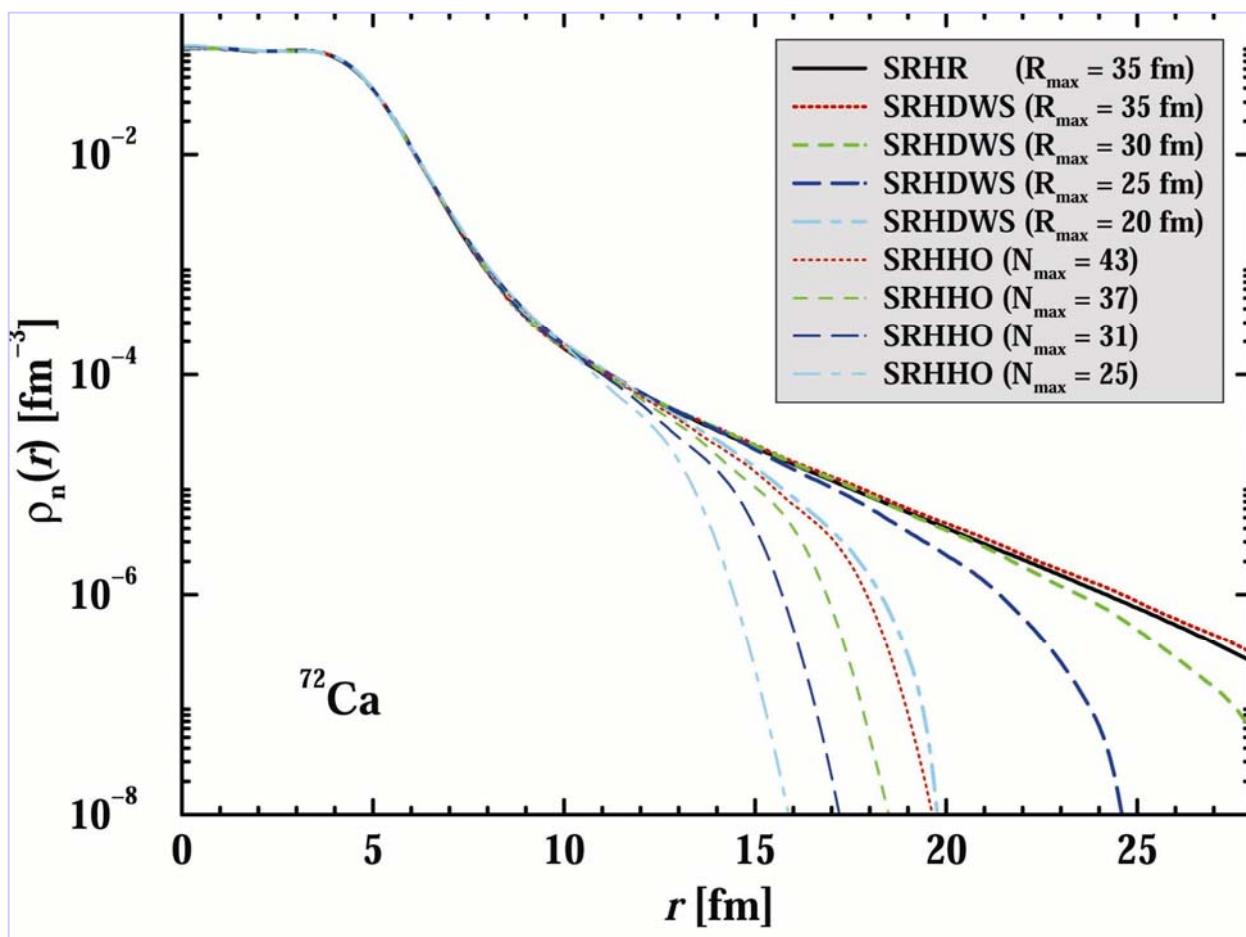
Shapes	Mean field or Beyond	Schrödinger W-S basis	Dirac W-S basis	
Spherical	Rela. Hartree	SRH SWS	SRH DWS	✓
Axially deformed	Rela. Hartree + BCS	SGZ, Meng & Ring, PRC68,034323(03); PRL91, 262501 (03)	DRH DWS	✓
Axially deformed	Rela. Hartree-Bogoliubov	SGZ, Meng & Ring, AIP Conf. Proc. 865, 90 (06)	DRHB DWS	✓
Triaxially deformed	Rela. Hartree-Bogoliubov	SGZ, Meng, Ring, ISPUN 2007	TRHB DWS	

Many difficulties to solve deformed problem in r space

Woods-Saxon basis might be a reconciler between the HO basis and r space

Schunck & Egido 2008

Spherical Relativistic Hartree Theory: ^{72}Ca

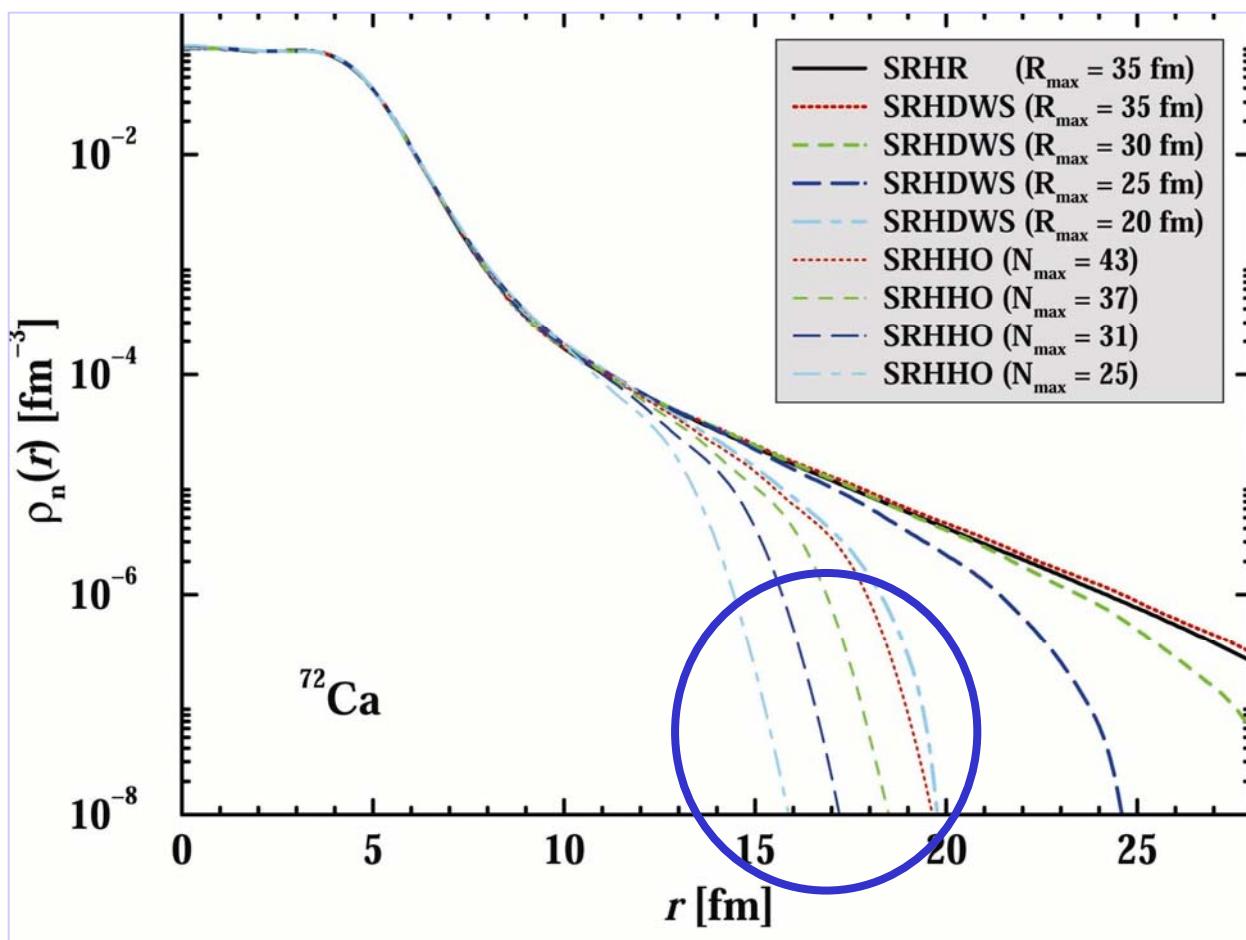


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Deformed RHB in a Woods-Saxon basis

Axially deformed nuclei

$$\beta_{km}^+ = \sum_{(i\kappa)} u_{k,(i\kappa)}^{(m)} a_{i\kappa m}^+ + v_{k,(i\tilde{\kappa})}^{(m)} \tilde{a}_{i\kappa m}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} U_k^{(m)}(\mathbf{r}\sigma p) \\ V_k^{(m)}(\mathbf{r}\sigma p) \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{i\kappa} \begin{pmatrix} u_{k,(i\kappa)}^{(m)} \varphi_{i\kappa m}(\mathbf{r}\sigma p) \\ v_{k,(i\tilde{\kappa})}^{(m)} \tilde{\varphi}_{i\kappa m}(\mathbf{r}\sigma p) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\varphi_{i\kappa m}(\mathbf{r}\sigma p) = \frac{1}{r} \begin{pmatrix} iG_{i\kappa}(r)Y_{\kappa m}(\Omega\sigma) \\ -F_{i\kappa}(r)Y_{\kappa m}(\Omega\sigma) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sum_{\sigma p} \int d^3 r' \begin{pmatrix} h(\mathbf{r}\sigma p; \mathbf{r}'\sigma' p') - \lambda & \Delta(\mathbf{r}\sigma p; \mathbf{r}'\sigma' p') \\ -\Delta^*(\mathbf{r}\sigma p; \mathbf{r}'\sigma' p') & -h(\mathbf{r}\sigma p; \mathbf{r}'\sigma' p') + \lambda \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} U_E(\mathbf{r}'\sigma' p') \\ V_E(\mathbf{r}'\sigma' p') \end{pmatrix} = E \begin{pmatrix} U_E(\mathbf{r}\sigma p) \\ V_E(\mathbf{r}\sigma p) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{C} & \mathbf{D} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{U} \\ \mathbf{V} \end{pmatrix} = E \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{U} \\ \mathbf{V} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{U} = \left(u_{k,(i\kappa)}^{(m)} \right) \quad \mathbf{V} = \left(v_{k,(i\tilde{\kappa})}^{(m)} \right)$$

DRHB matrix elements

$$\mathbf{A}_{(i\kappa), (i'\kappa')} = \left(h_{(i\kappa), (i'\kappa')}^{(m)} \right) - \lambda \mathbf{I}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_{(i\kappa), (i'\tilde{\kappa}')} = \left(\Delta_{(i\kappa), (i'\tilde{\kappa}')}^{(m)} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{C}_{(i\tilde{\kappa}), (i'\kappa')} = \left(-\Delta_{(i\tilde{\kappa}), (i'\kappa')}^{(m)} = \Delta_{(i\kappa), (i'\tilde{\kappa}')}^{(m)} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{D}_{(i\tilde{\kappa}), (i'\tilde{\kappa}')} = \left(-h_{(i\tilde{\kappa}), (i'\tilde{\kappa}')}^{(m)} \right) + \lambda \mathbf{I}$$

$$V(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{\lambda\mu} V_{\lambda\mu}(r) Y_{\lambda\nu}(\Omega) \quad S(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{\lambda\mu} S_{\lambda\mu}(r) Y_{\lambda\nu}(\Omega)$$

$$h_{(i\kappa), (i'\kappa')}^{(m)} = \sum_{\lambda} \int dr \{ G_{i\kappa}(r) G_{i'\kappa'}(r) [V_{\lambda}(r) + S_{\lambda}(r)] + F_{i\kappa}(r) F_{i'\kappa'}(r) [V_{\lambda}(r) - S_{\lambda}(r)] \} A(\lambda, \kappa, \kappa', m)$$

$$\Delta(\mathbf{r}, \sigma_1 \sigma_2) = \sum_{\lambda\mu} \sum_{SM_S} Y_{\lambda\mu}(\Omega) \chi_{SM_S}(\sigma_1 \sigma_2) \Delta_{\lambda\mu; p_1 p_2}^{SM_S}(r)$$

λ , even or odd
 μ , 0 or ± 1

$$\Delta_{(i_1\kappa_1), (i_2\tilde{\kappa}_2)}^{(m)} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\lambda\mu} \sum_{SM_S} \delta_{M_S, -\mu} \sum_{p_1 p_2} \eta_{\lambda\mu; \alpha_1 p_1 \bar{\alpha}_2 p_2}^{SM_S} \int dr R_{i_1\kappa_1}^{p_1}(r) R_{i_2\kappa_2}^{p_2}(r) \Delta_{\lambda\mu; p_1 p_2}^{SM_S}(r)$$

Pairing interaction

🎵 Phenomenological pairing interaction with parameters:
 V_0 , ρ_0 , γ , and the smooth cut off parameters E_{cut} and Γ

$$V^{\text{pair}} = \frac{1}{4} V_0 \delta(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2) \left(1 - \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r}_1)}{\rho_0}\right)^\gamma [1 - 4\vec{\sigma}_{11'} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_{22'}] [\mathbf{I}_{11'}^p \cdot \mathbf{I}_{22'}^p]$$

$$s(E_k) = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{E_k - E_{\text{cut}}^{\text{q.p.}}}{\sqrt{(E_k - E_{\text{cut}}^{\text{q.p.}})^2 + (\Gamma_{\text{cut}}^{\text{q.p.}})^2}} \right)$$

Finite range?

Volume or surface?

Microscopic?

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How to fix the pairing strength and the pairing window

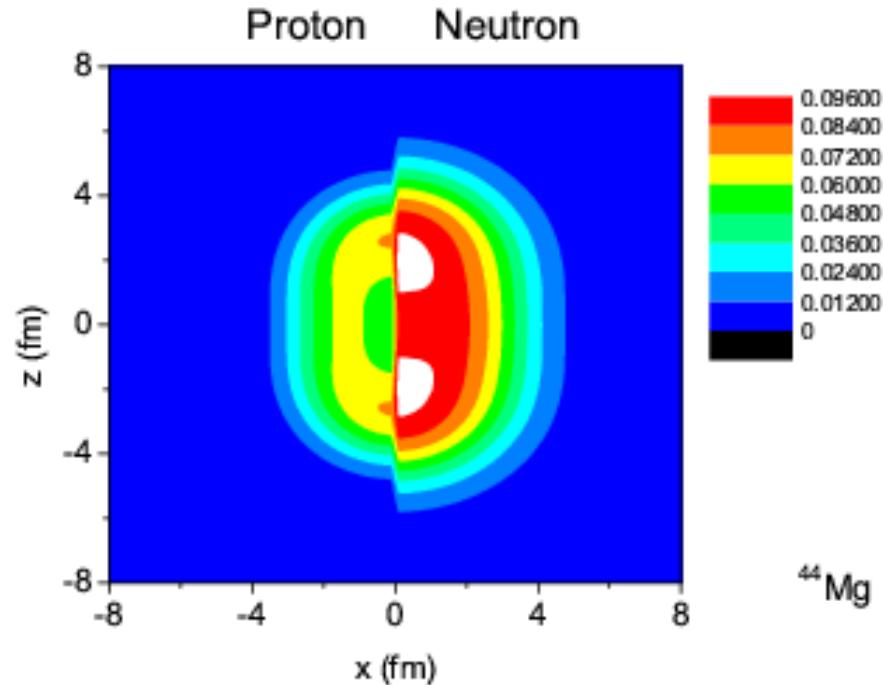
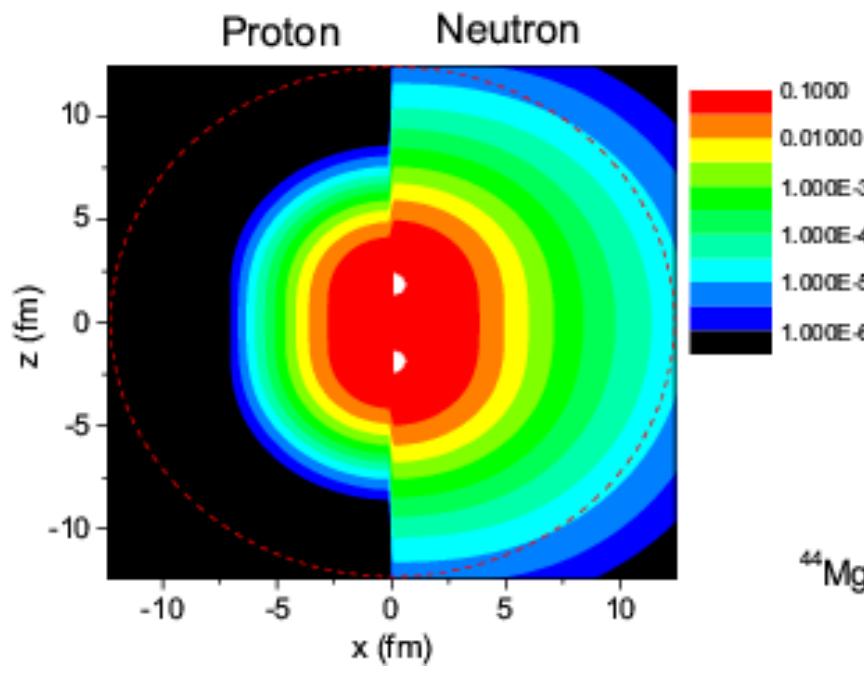
^{20}Mg : spherical from DRHBWS calculation

NL3, $R_{\max} = 20 \text{ fm}$, $\Delta r = 0.1 \text{ fm}$

Zero pairing energy for the neutron

Model	Pairing force	Parameters	$E_{\text{pair}}^{\text{p}}$ (MeV)
SRHBHO	Gogny	D1S	-9.2382
RCHB	Surface δ	$V_0 = 374 \text{ MeV fm}^3$	-9.2387
	Sharp cutoff	$\rho_0 = 0.152 \text{ fm}^3$ $E_{\text{cut}}^{\text{q.p.}} = 60 \text{ MeV}$	
DRHBWS	Surface δ	$V_0 = 380 \text{ MeV fm}^3$	-9.2383
	Smooth cutoff	$\rho_0 = 0.152 \text{ fm}^3$ $E_{\text{cut}}^{\text{q.p.}} = 60 \text{ MeV}$ $\Gamma = 5.65 \text{ MeV}$	

^{44}Mg from DRHBWS

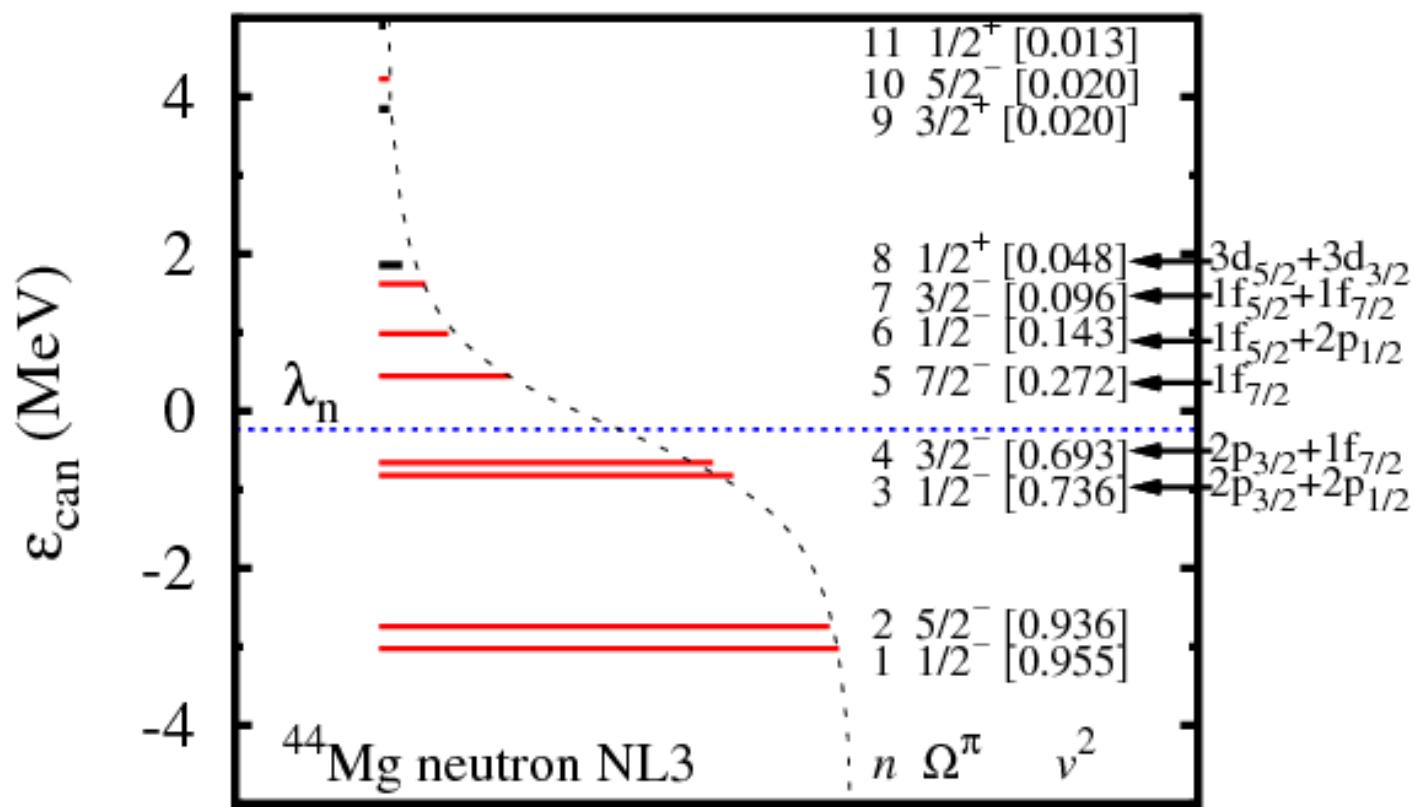


🎵 Prolate deformation

🎵 Large spatial extension in neutron density distribution

SGZ, Meng, Ring, Zhao
arXiv: 0909.1600 [nucl-th]

Single neutron states in canonical basis



🎵 Continuum contributes

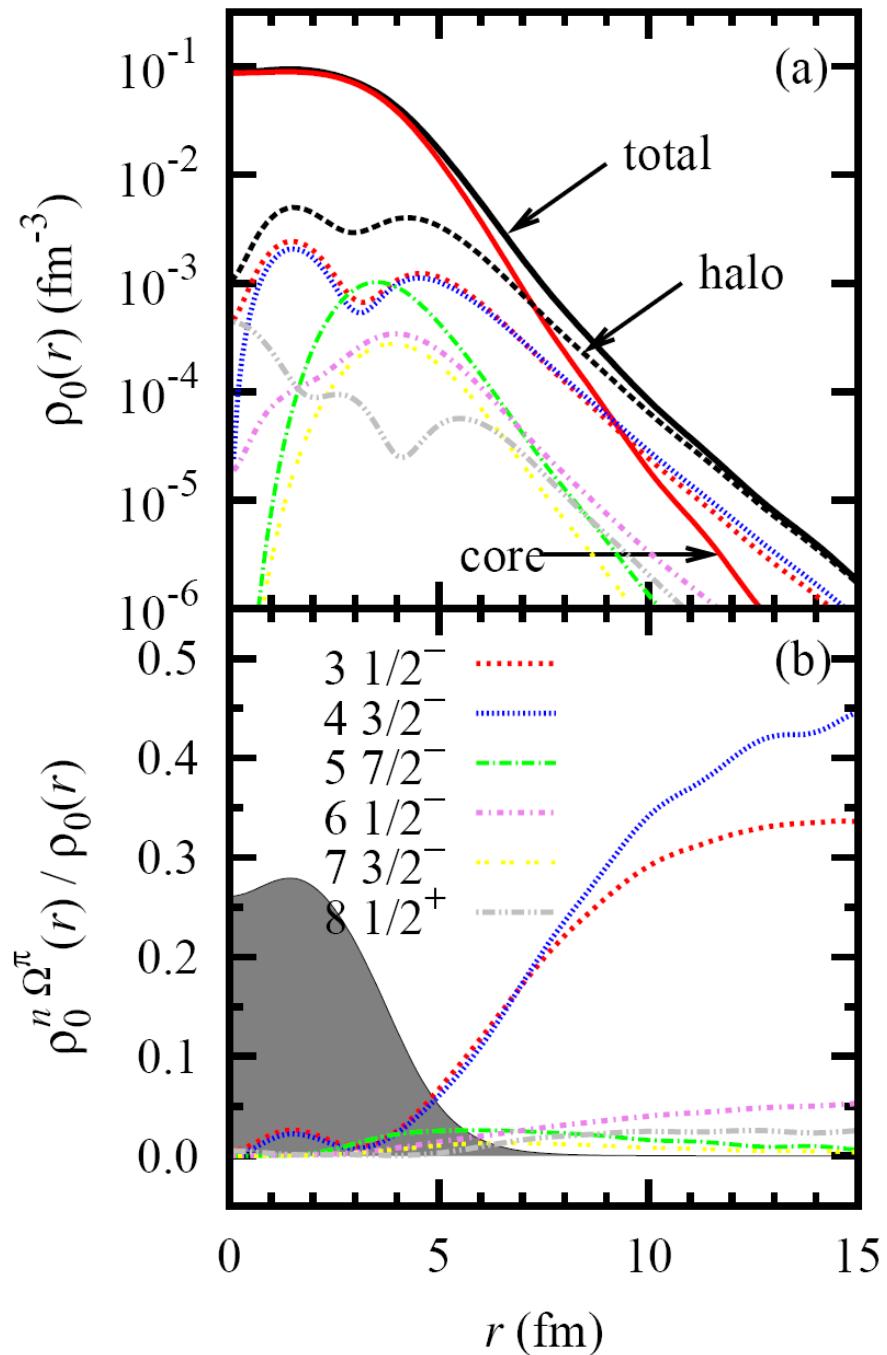
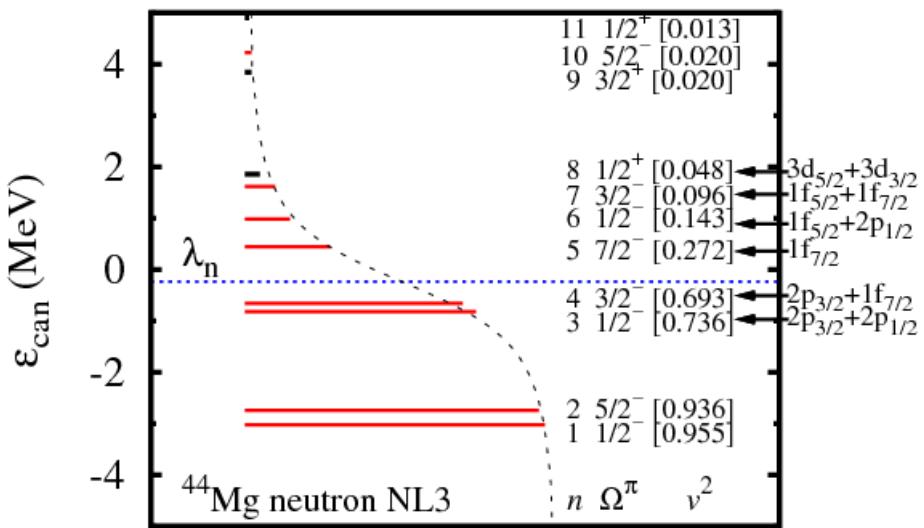
🎵 Negative-parity states around Fermi level

Decomposition of neut. density distri .

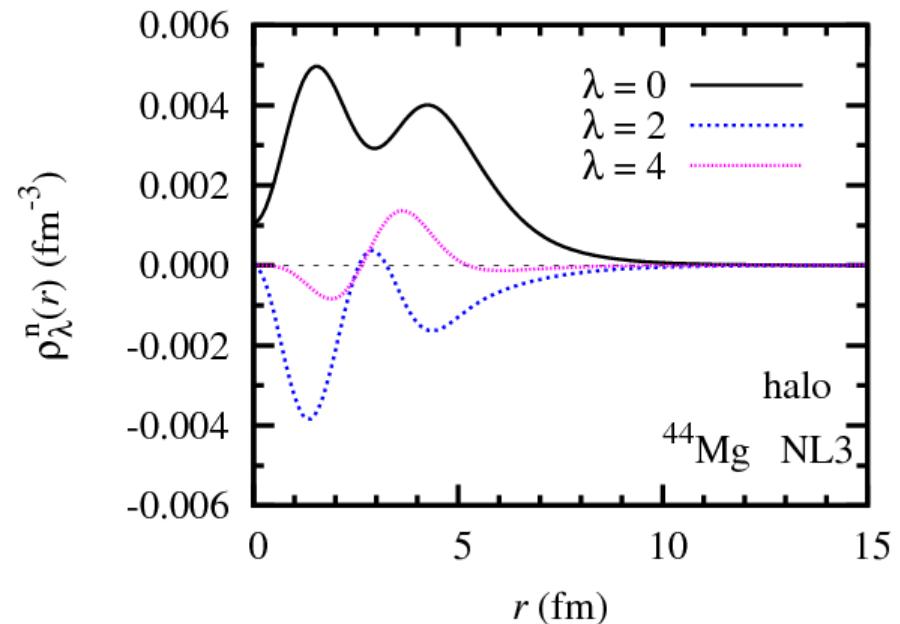
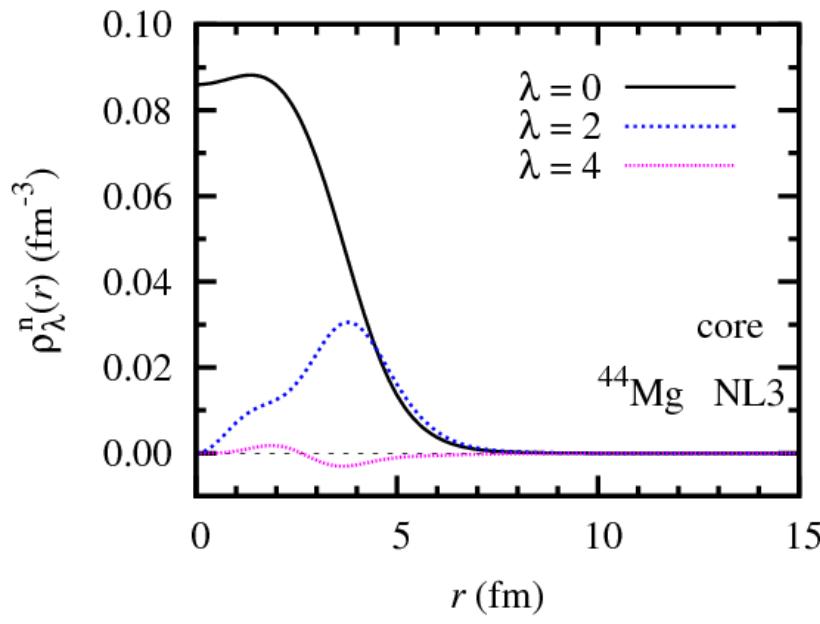
🎵 The 3rd & 4th states contribute to tail part of neutron density distribution

🎵 Main component: $2p_{3/2}$

🎵 $R_{\text{core}} = 3.72 \text{ fm}, R_{\text{halo}} = 5.86 \text{ fm}$



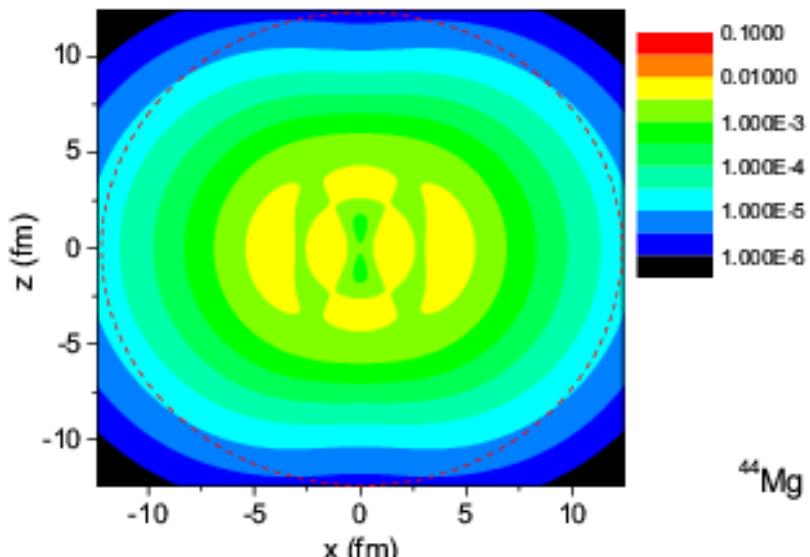
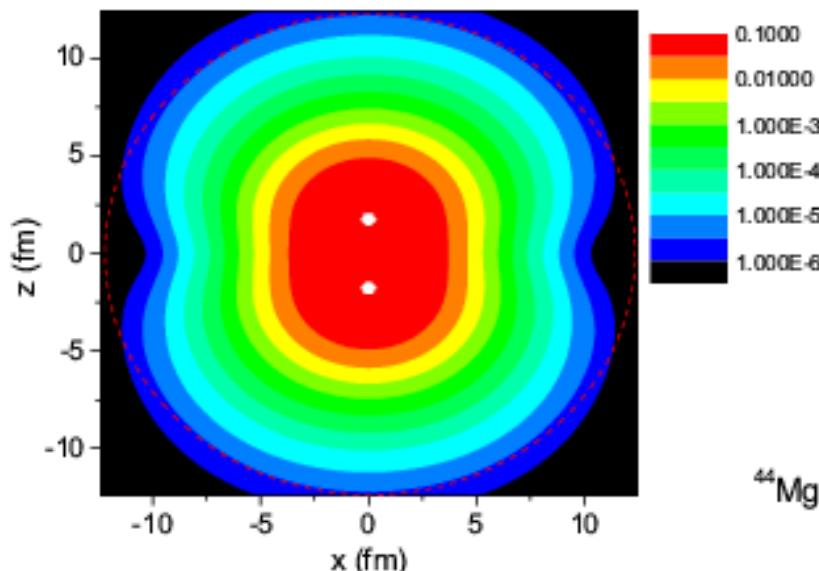
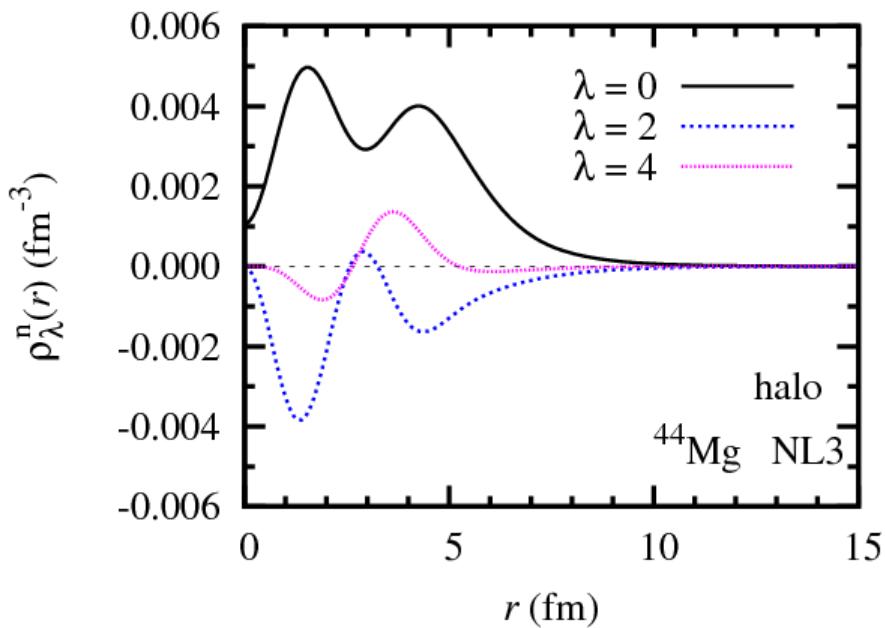
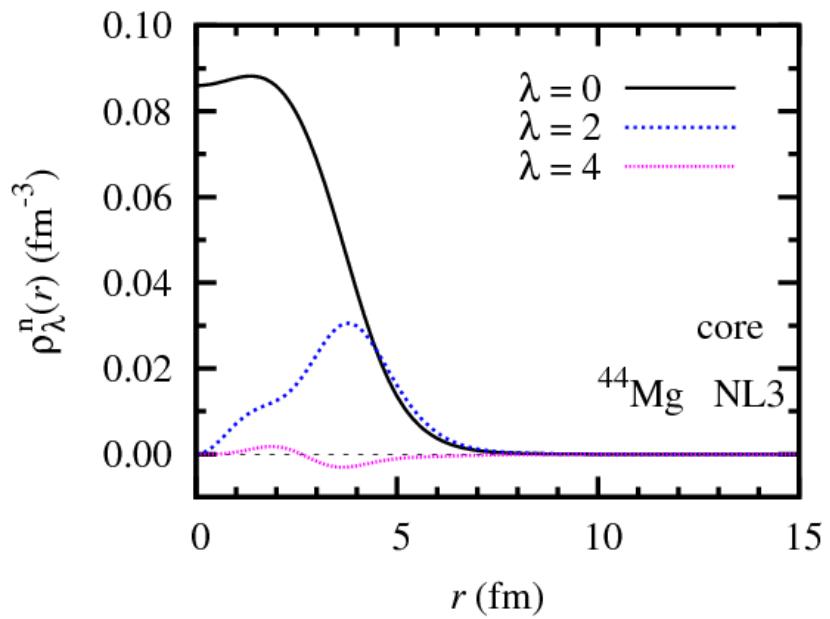
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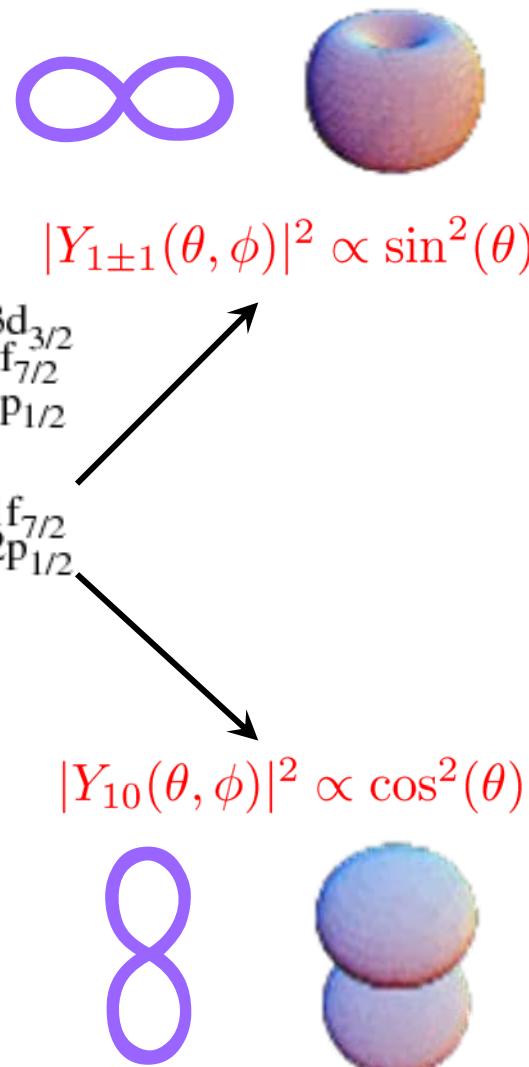
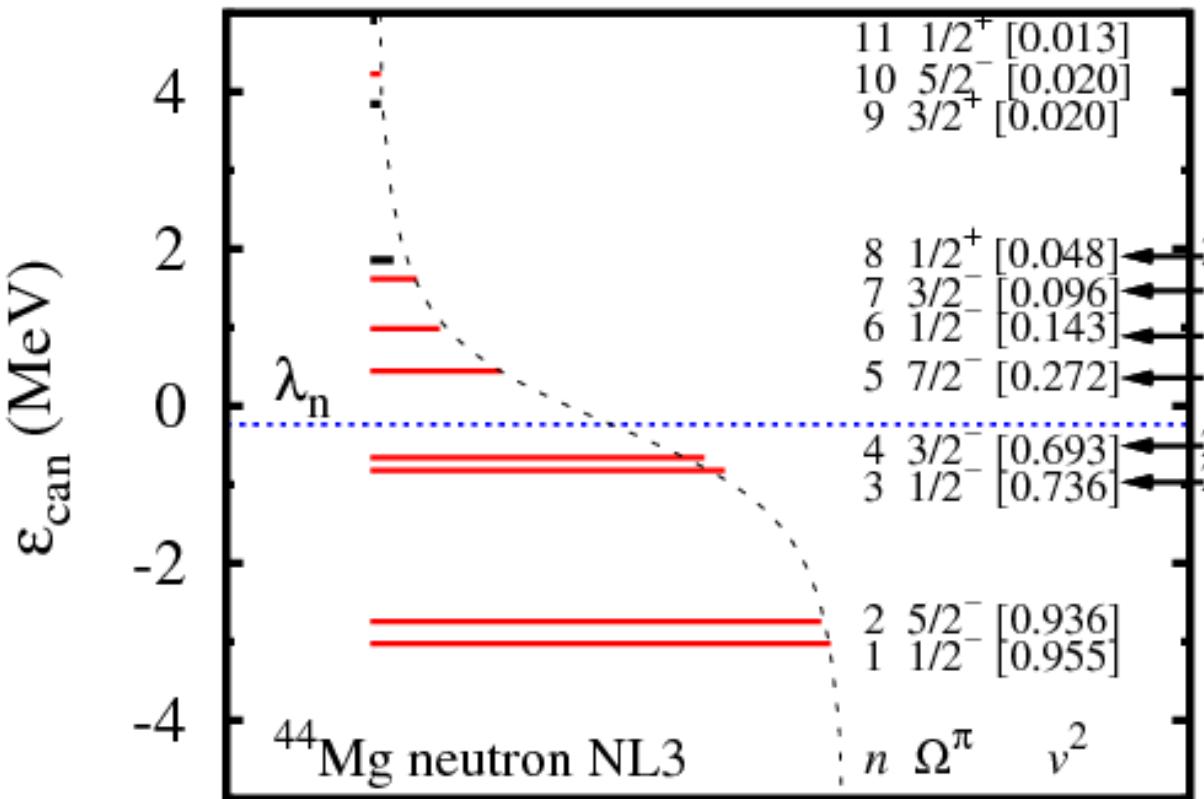
$$\rho(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{\lambda} \rho_{\lambda}(r) P_{\lambda}(\cos \theta), \quad \lambda = 0, 2, 4, \dots$$

- 🎵 Prolate core, but slightly oblate halo with sizable hexadecapole component !
- 🎵 Decoupling of deformation betw. core & halo

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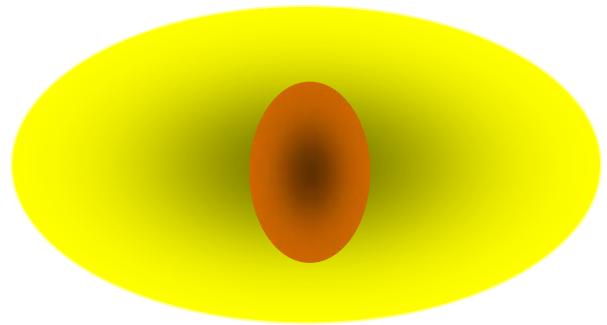
Why the halo slightly oblate?



Cartoon plots from [MathWorld](#)

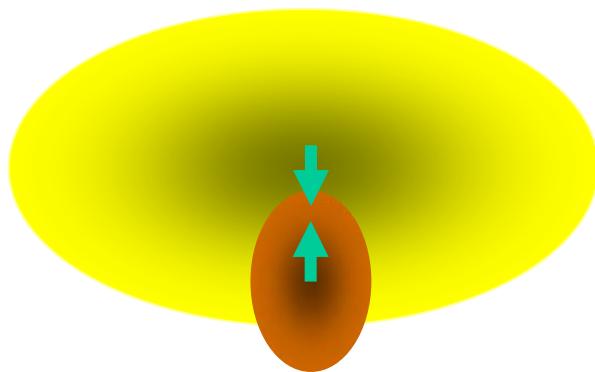
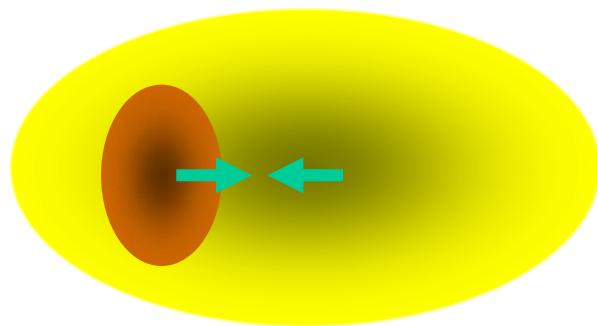
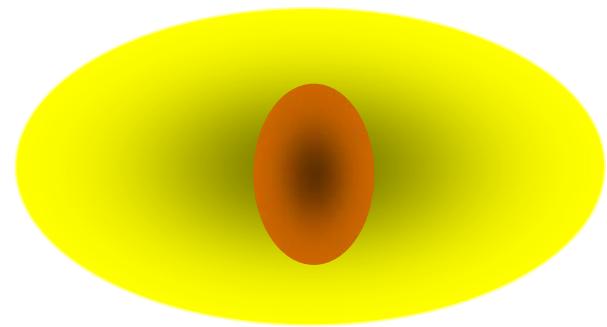
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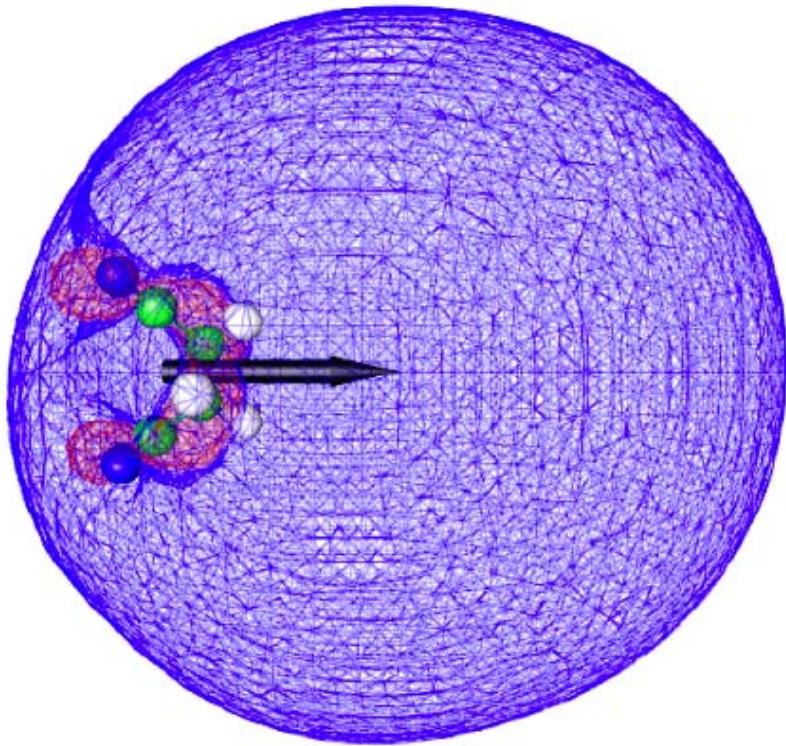
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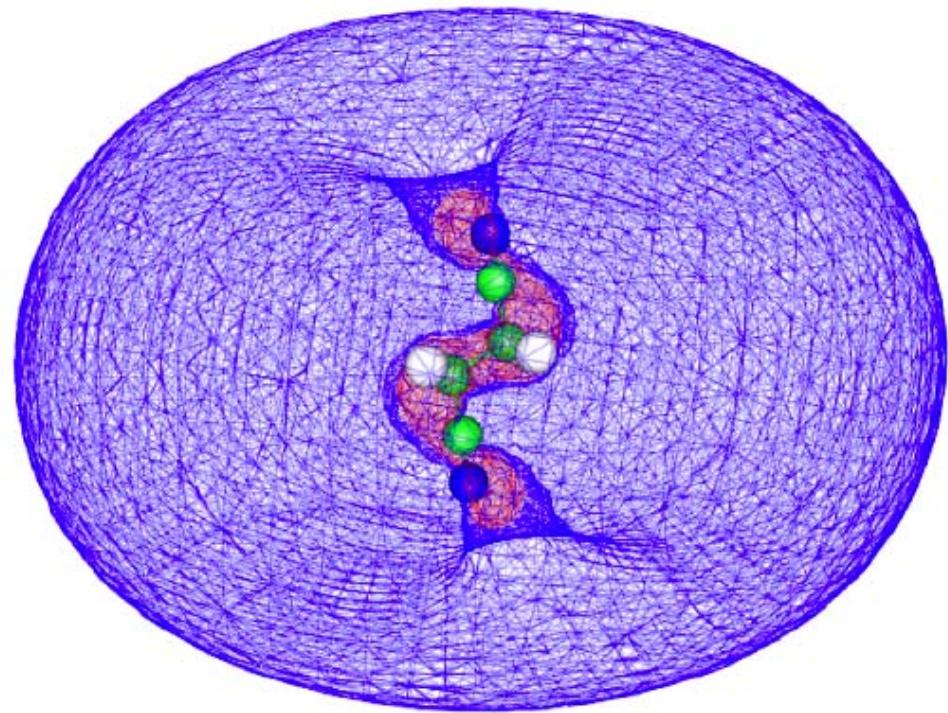
Analogy in molecular anions



Desfrancois et al., PRL92(04)083003



Gauche-succinonitrile:
Dipole-bound anion



Trans-succinonitrile:
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