

# A secure path to the drip line based on theory and experiment

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- Scientific question
- **Green's function method / framework**
- What we know about correlations
- How to proceed to the drip line?
- DOM: data  $\Rightarrow$  self-energy / propagator  
data-driven extrapolations  $\Rightarrow$  drip line
- $(p,2p)$  &  $(p,pn)$  in inverse kinematics  $\Leftrightarrow (e,e'p)$
- Outlook

# Scientific Question

- How do the properties of protons and neutrons change as a function of nucleon asymmetry?

Properties: elastic cross sections, bound single-particle properties, including removal energy, spectroscopic factors, strength distribution, one-body density matrix,  $E/A$ .

## Program

- Employ framework of Green's function method to link presently available data to be cast in the form of the complex potentials (including their asymmetry dependence) that govern the behavior of nucleons in a large energy window:  $\epsilon_F \pm 100-200$  MeV.
- Prediction of data for nuclei further along towards the dripline follows, allowing further improvements, etc.

Nucleon correlations

# Description of the nuclear many-body problem

**Ingredients:** Nucleons interacting by "realistic interactions"

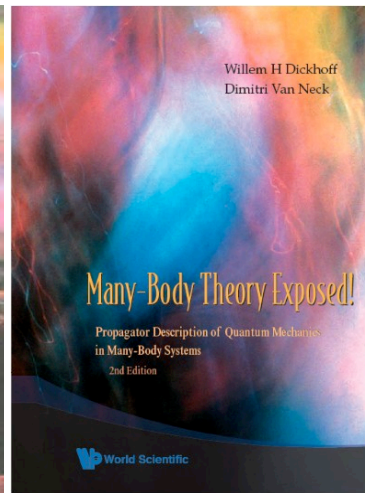
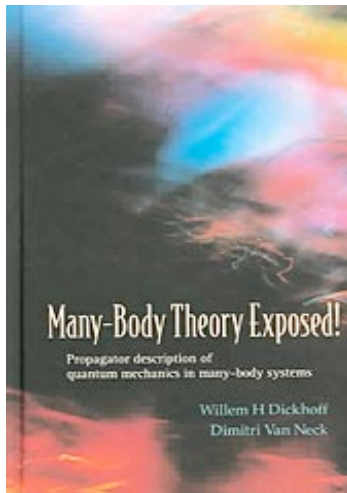
Nonrelativistic many-body problem

**Method:** Green's functions (Propagators)

⇒ amplitudes instead of wave functions (efficient)

Keep track of **all** nucleons, including the high-momentum ones

**Book:** Dimitri Van Neck & W.D. 2nd ed. 2008



Physical insight and useful for all many-body systems

Link between experiment and theory clear

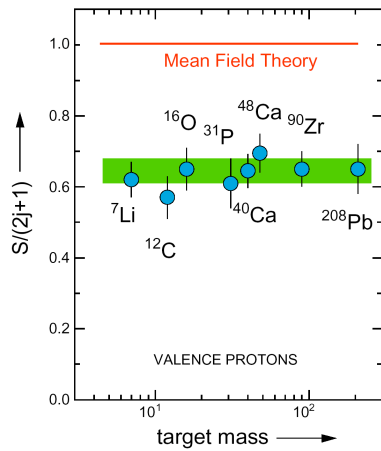
Can include all energy scales

**Also available as a framework to analyze and interpret experimental data**

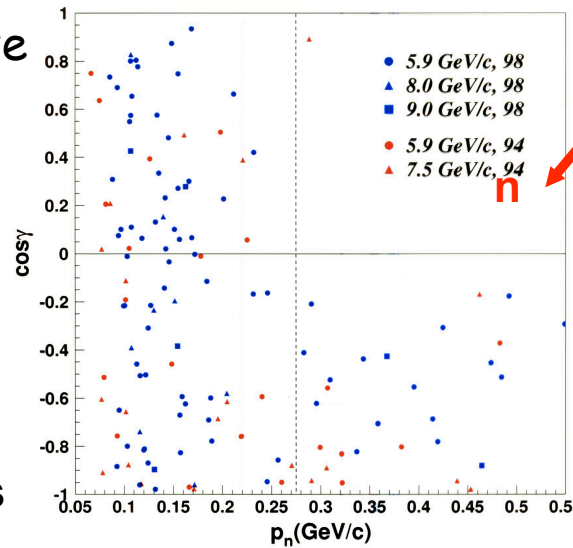
**Review:** W.H.D. & C. Barbieri, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. **52**, 377 (2004)

Nucleon correlations

Slide from John Watson, Kent State



NIKHEF  
A(e,e'p)



$^{12}\text{C}(p,2p\ n)$

Tang et al.  
PRL 042301 (2003)

Piassetzky, Sargsian,  
Frankfurt, Strikman,  
Watson  
PRL 162504(2006).

Long range (shell model) correlations

$^{12}\text{C}$

Single nucleons

60-70%

10-20%



20±5%

2N-SRC

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84-92 %

n-p pairs

5.5±1%

p-p pairs

5.5±1%

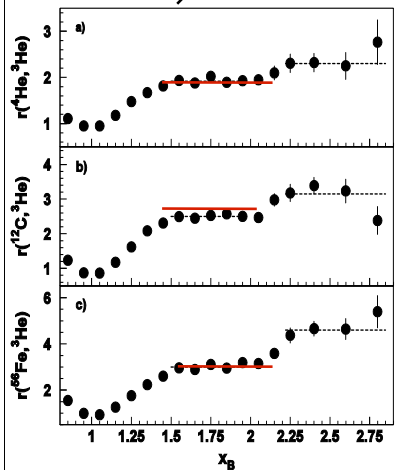
n-n pairs

A(e,e'pN)

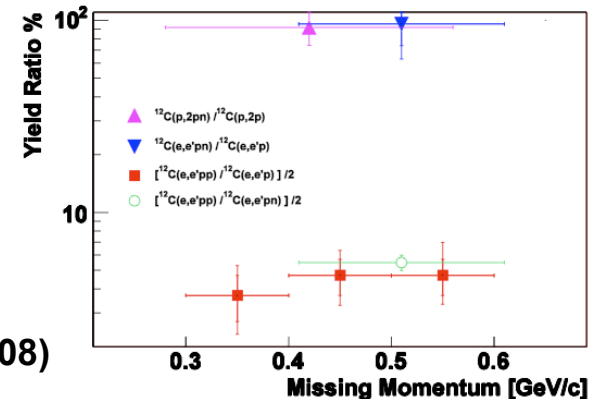
A(e,e')

Egiyan et al. PRC 68, 014313.

Egiyan et al. PRL. 96, 082501 (2006)

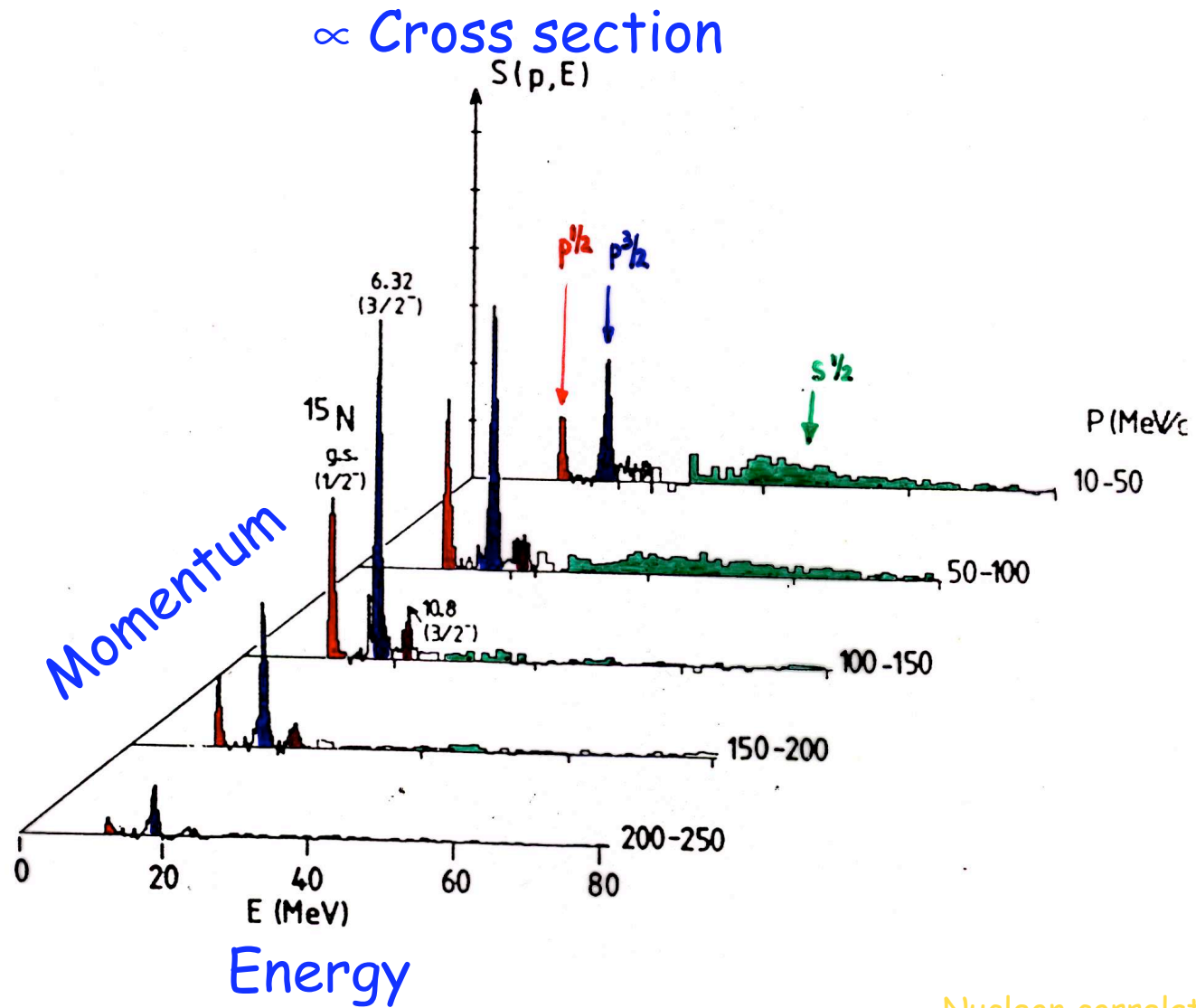


Subedi et al. Science 320, 1476 (2008)



Mougey et al., Nucl. Phys. A335, 35 (1980)

$^{16}\text{O}(e,e'p)$



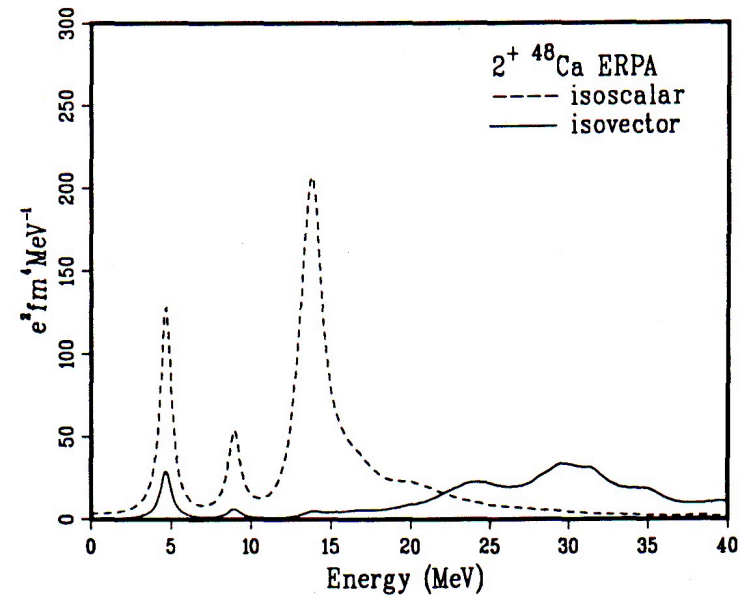
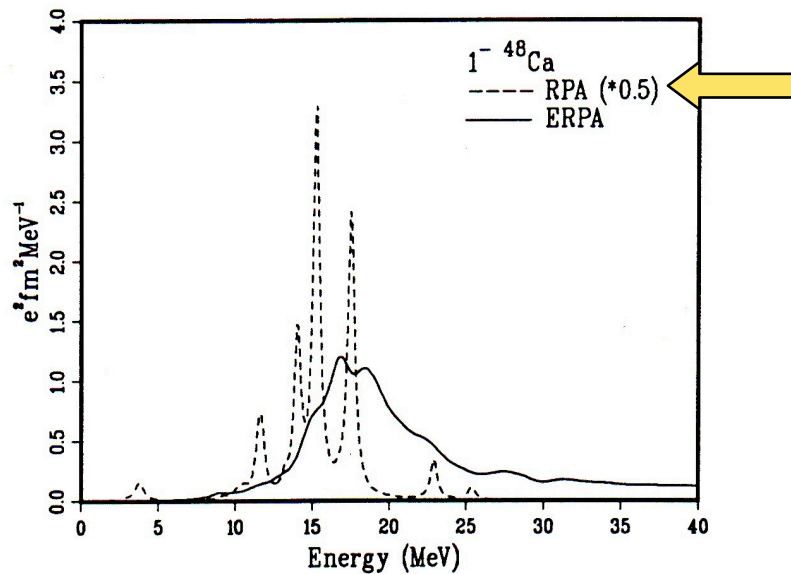
# RPA vs. E-RPA for Giant Resonances

includes sp fragmentation

Giant Dipole

$^{48}\text{Ca}$

Giant Quadrupole



In turn: Excited states determine sp fragmentation

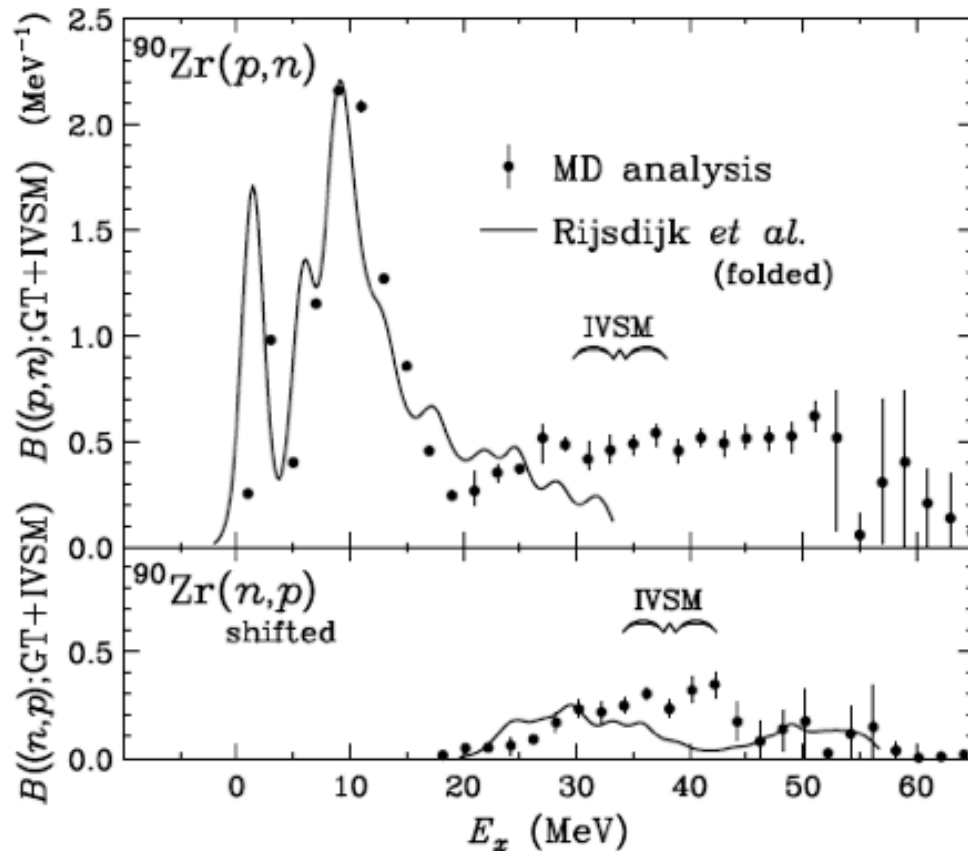
M. G. E. Brand, K. Allaart, and W. H. D.

Phys. Lett. **214B** , 483-489 (1988) & Nucl. Phys. **A509** , 1-38 (1990).

Still relevant ...

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# Gamow-Teller (p,n) / (n,p)



Yako *et al.* Phys. Lett. B

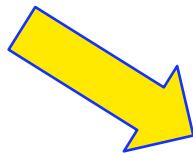
Fig. 3. GT plus IVSM strength distributions obtained by the MD analysis of the  $^{90}\text{Zr}(p,n)$  and  $^{90}\text{Zr}(n,p)$  reactions (in GT unit). The  $^{90}\text{Zr}(n,p)$  spectrum is shifted by +18 MeV. The curves are taken from Ref. [30]. See text for details.

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# Location of single-particle strength in closed-shell (stable) nuclei

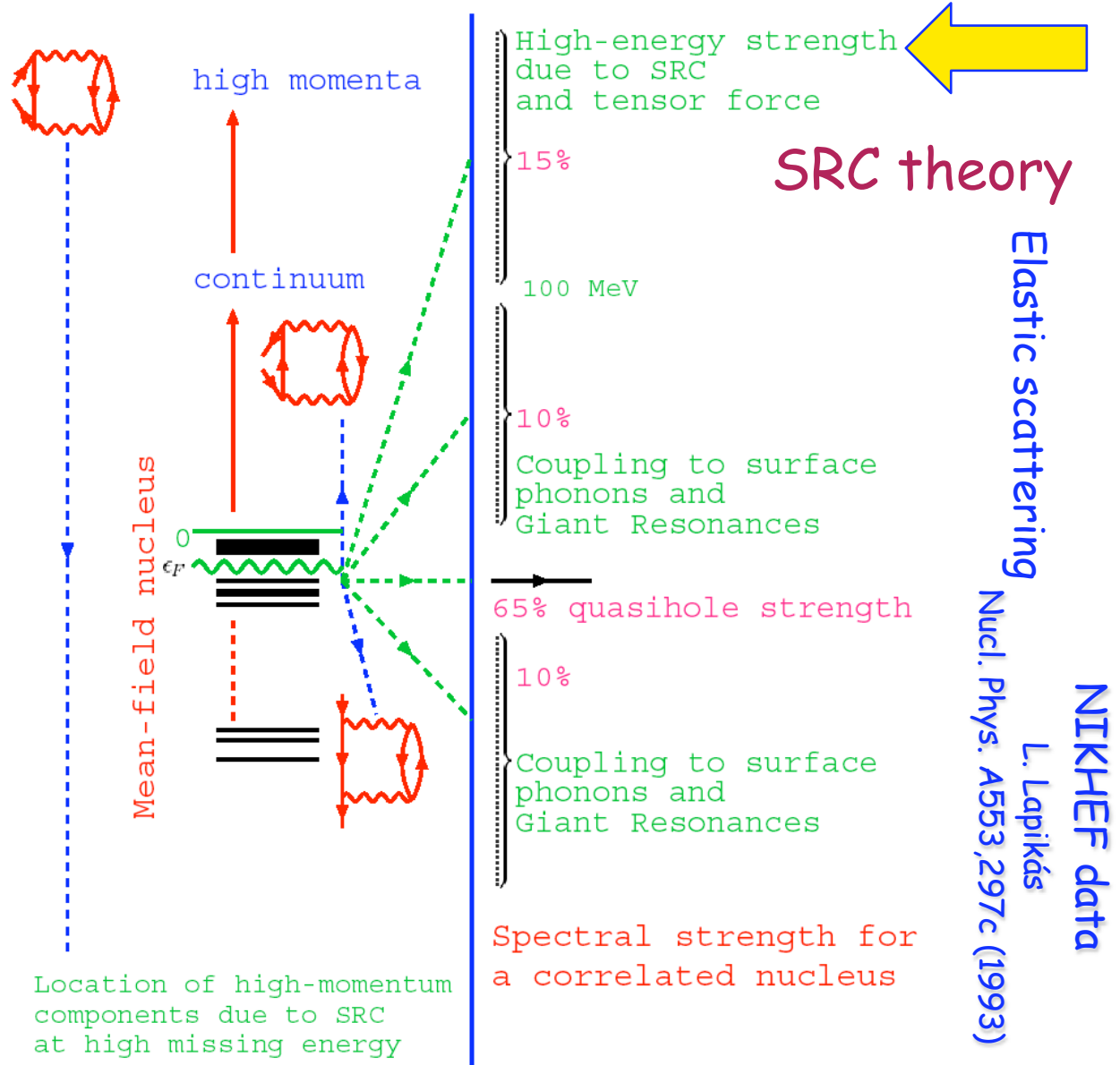
For example: protons in  $^{208}\text{Pb}$

SRC



JLab E97-006

Phys. Rev. Lett. 93, 182501 (2004) D. Rohe et al.



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Correlations for nuclei with  $N$  very different from  $Z$ ?  
⇒ Radioactive beam facilities

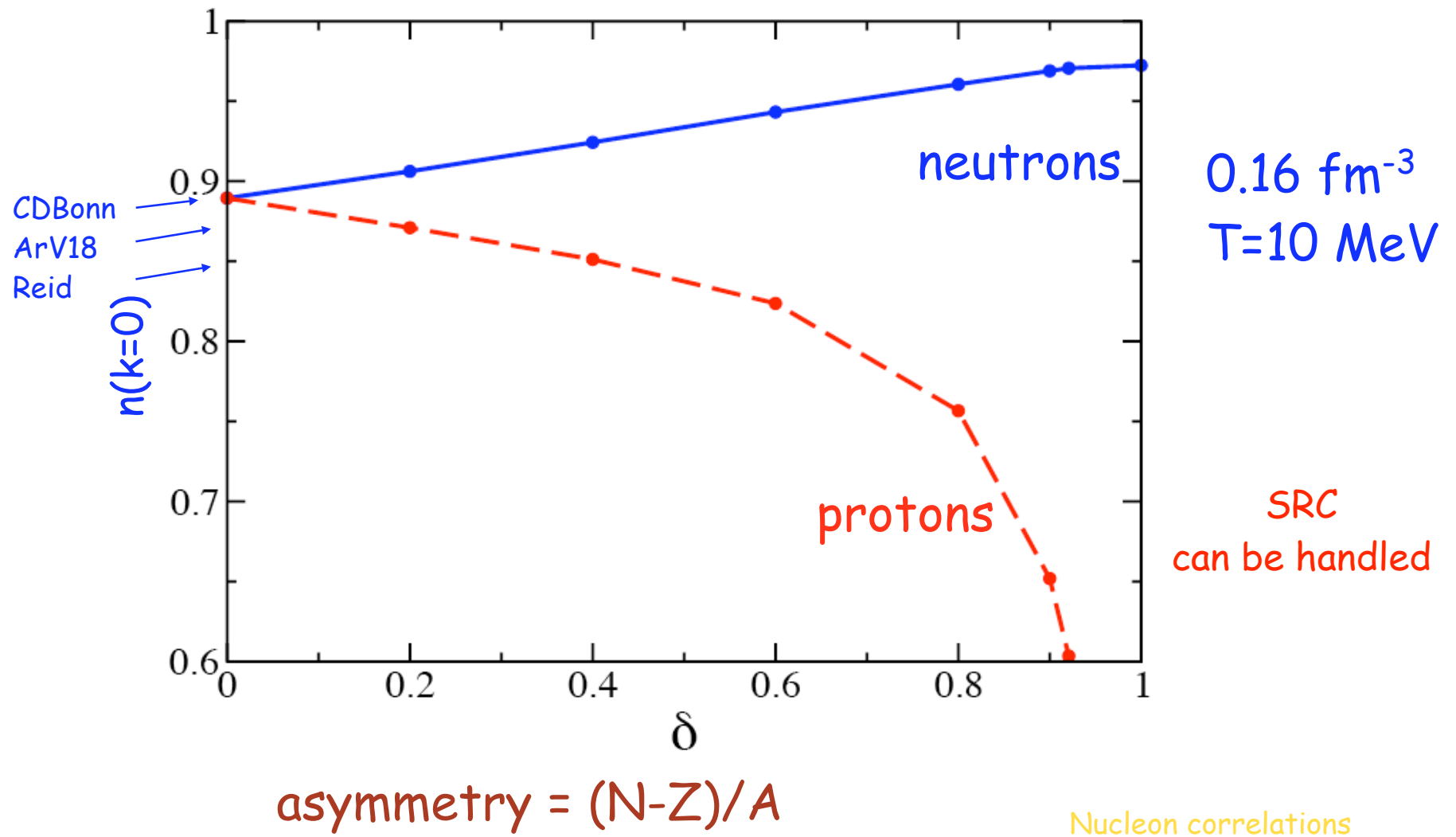
Nuclei are TWO-component Fermi liquids

- SRC about the same between  $pp$ ,  $np$ , and  $nn$
- Tensor force disappears for  $n$  when  $N \gg Z$  (volume effect)
- Surface?
- Ideally: quantitative predictions based on solid foundation

Some pointers: from theory and experiment

# SCGF for isospin-polarized nuclear matter including SRC $\Rightarrow$ momentum distribution

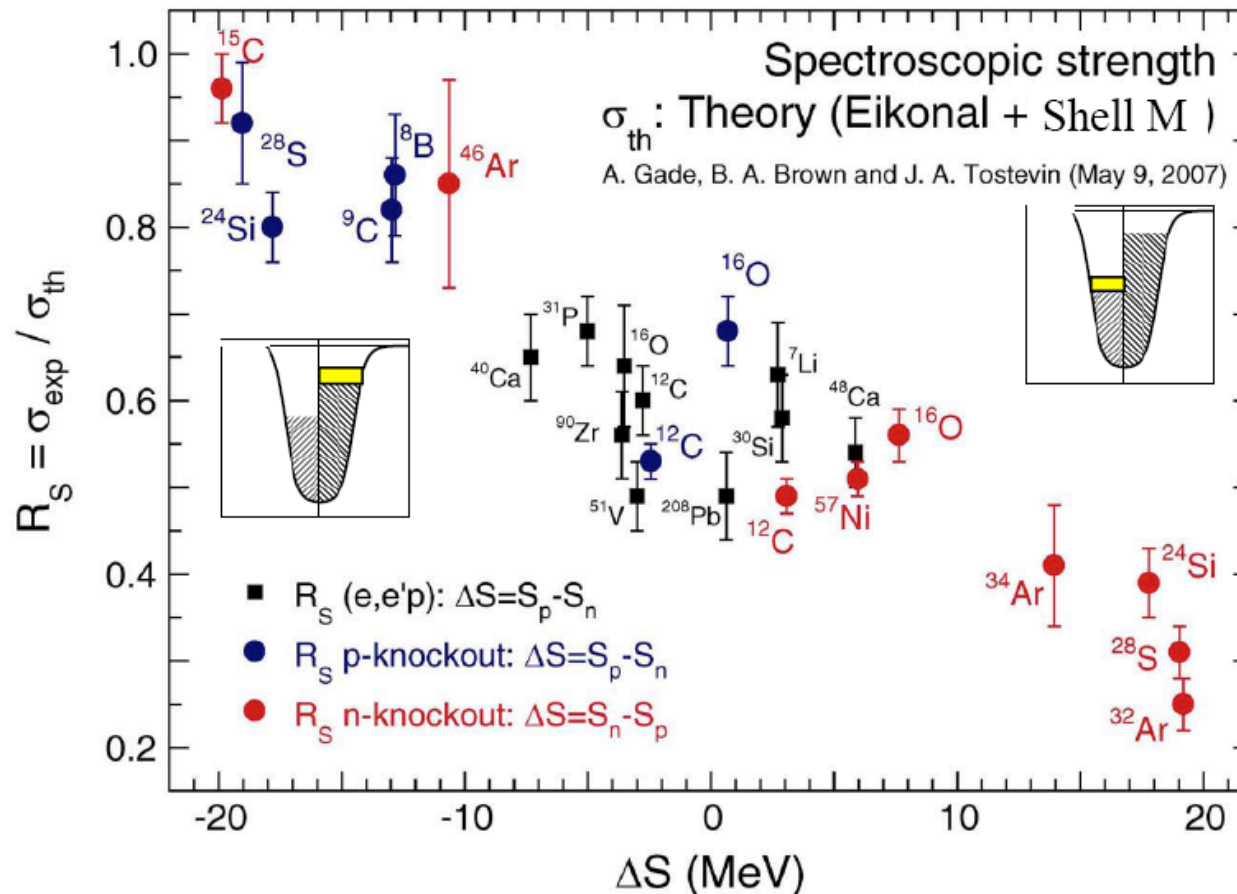
Frick, Rios et al.  
PRC71,014313(2005)



# Gade et al. Phys Rev C77, 044396 (2008)



## Deeply-bound systems



$R_S \neq$  not spectroscopic factor

Reduction w.r.t. shell model

neutrons more correlated with increasing proton number and accompanying increasing separation energy & vice versa

⇒ Spectroscopic factors become very small; too small?

Nucleon correlations

# DOM = Dispersive Optical Model

C. Mahaux and R. Sartor, *Adv. Nucl. Phys.* 20, 1 (1991)

Green's function formulation  $\Rightarrow$  "Mahaux analysis"

Goal: extract "propagator"/"self-energy" from data

Vehicle for data-driven extrapolations /  
predictions to the dripline

## FRAMEWORK FOR EXTRAPOLATIONS BASED ON EXPERIMENTAL DATA

There is empirical information about the nucleon self-energy!!

**Mahaux:**

- ⇒ Optical potential to analyze elastic nucleon scattering data
- ⇒ Extend analysis from  $A+1$  to include structure information in  $A-1$  ⇒  $(e,e'p)$  data
- ⇒ Employ dispersion relation between real and imaginary part of self-energy

### Recent extension

Combined analysis of protons/neutrons in  $^{40}\text{Ca}$  and  $^{48}\text{Ca}$

Charity, Sobotka, & WD, Phys. Rev. Lett. **97**, 162503 (2006)

Charity, Mueller, Sobotka, & WD, Phys. Rev. **C76**, 044314 (2007).

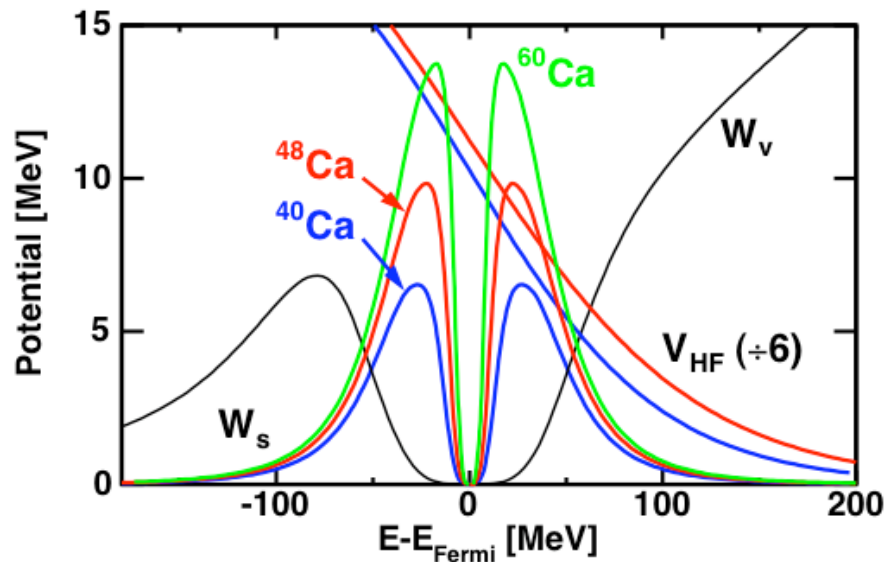
### Large energy window (> 200 MeV)

- Goal: Extract asymmetry dependence ⇒  $\delta = (N - Z)/A$
- ⇒ **Predict** proton properties at large asymmetry ⇒  $^{60}\text{Ca}$
  - ⇒ **Predict(?)** neutron properties ... the dripline  
based on data!

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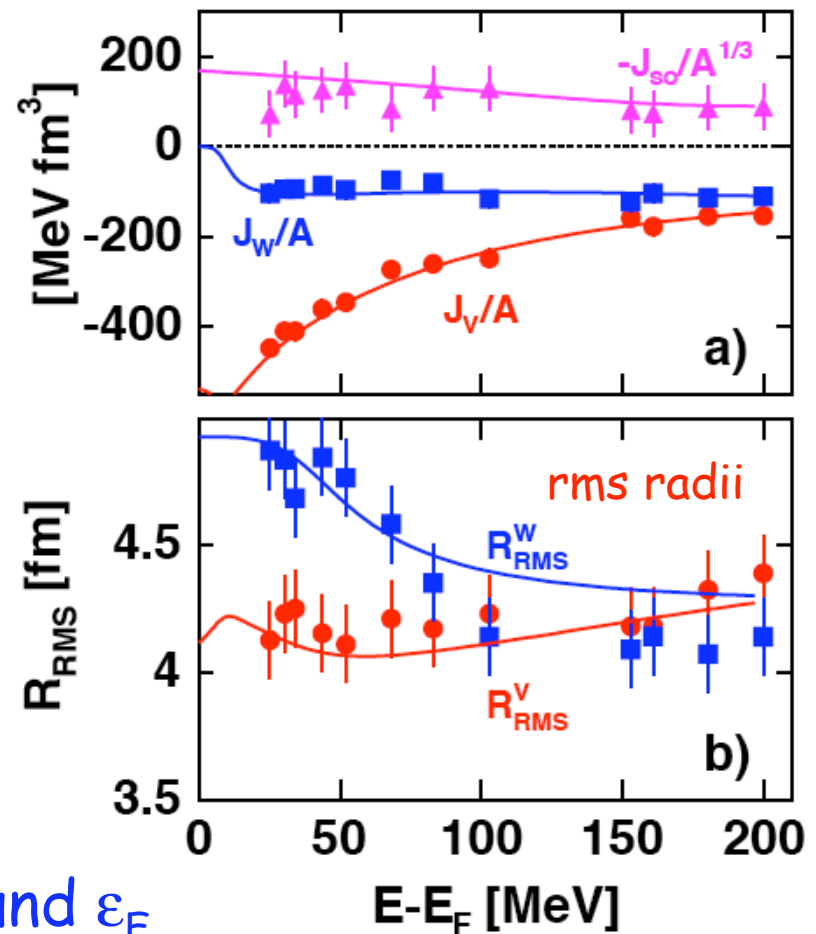
# DOM Potentials

Surface potential strengthens with increasing asymmetry for protons



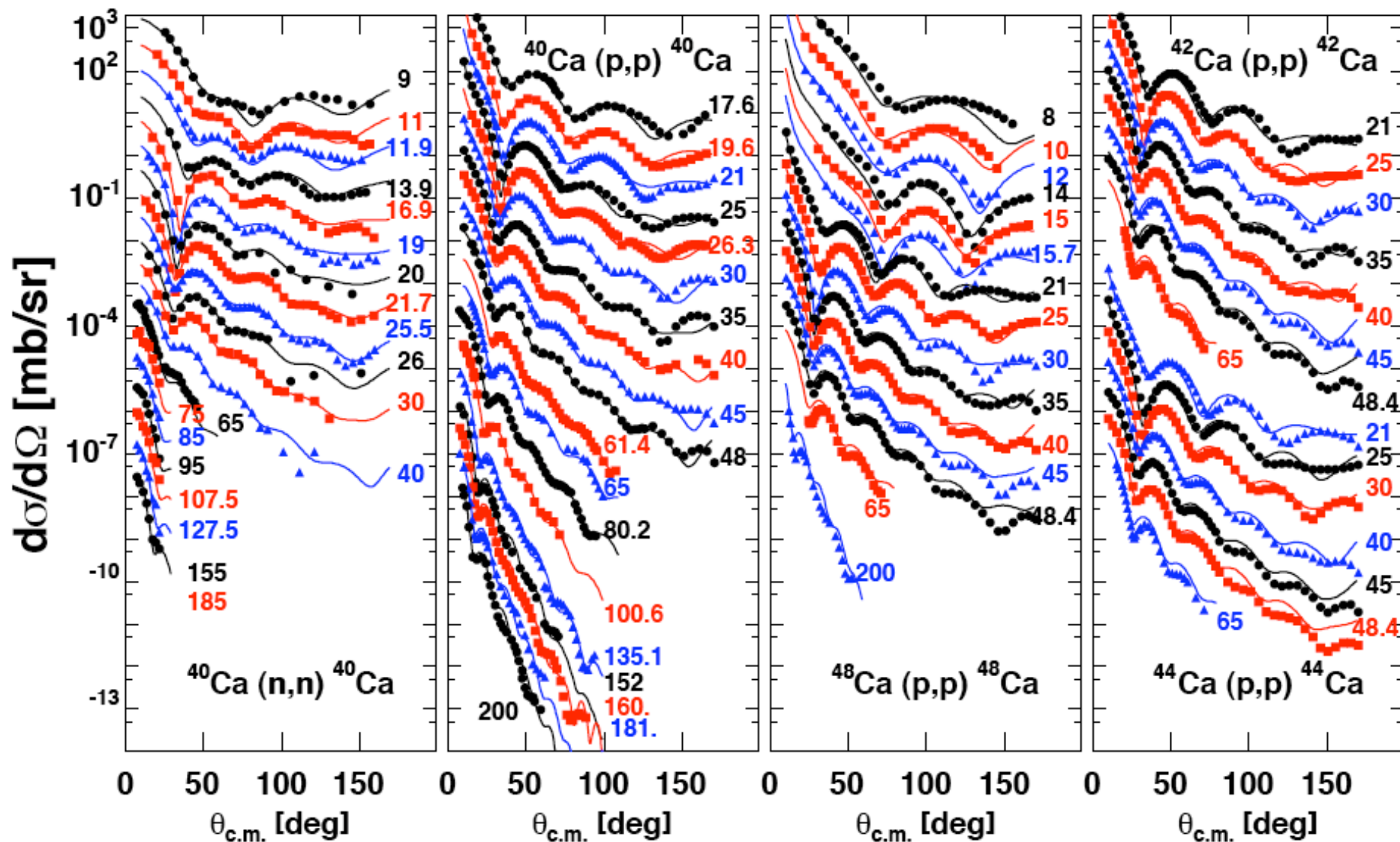
Surface potential symmetric around  $\epsilon_F$   
 Volume potential asymmetric around  $\epsilon_F$

Volume integrals  $^{40}\text{Ca}$



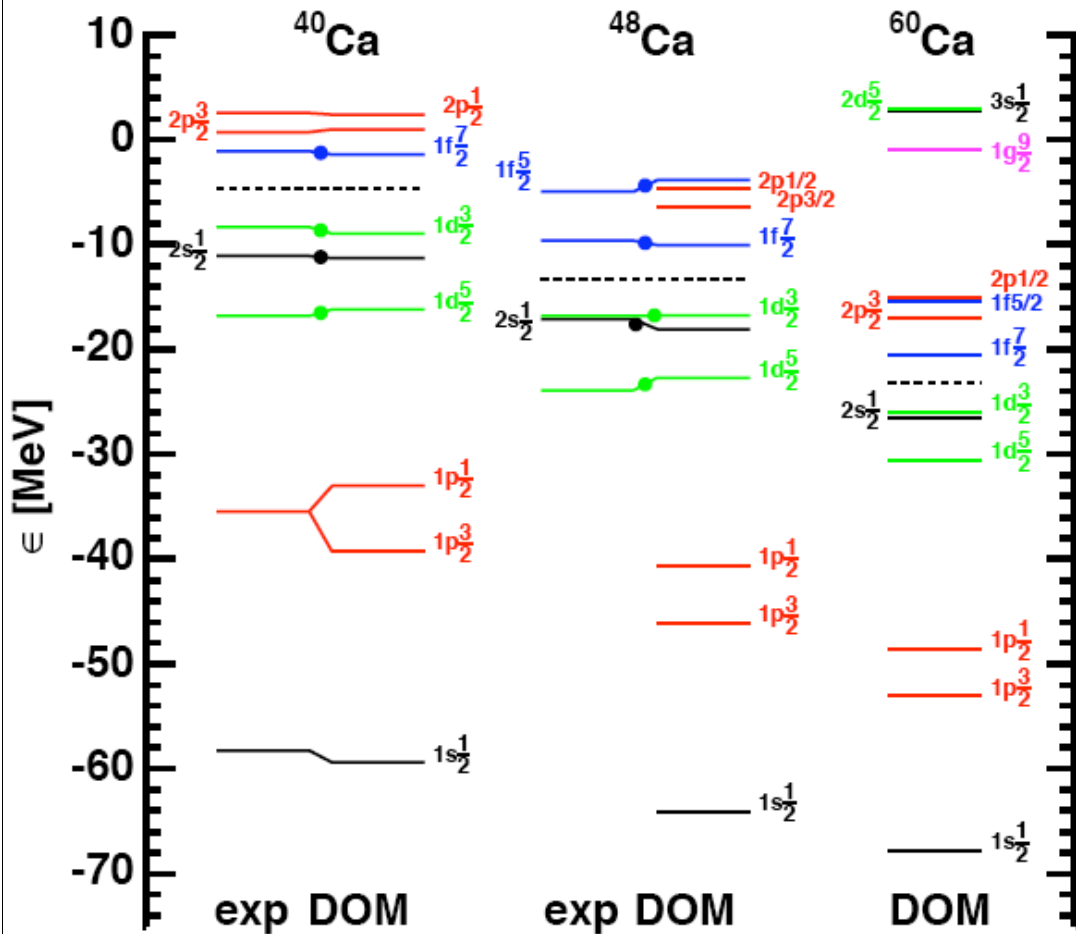
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# Fit and predictions of n & p elastic scattering cross sections



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# Proton single-particle structure $^{60}\text{Ca}$ prediction



Possible pairing of protons due to pn correlations?!

Increased correlations with increasing asymmetry!

Proton elastic scattering cross sections beyond  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  predicted  $\Rightarrow$  experiments?

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# What about neutrons?

- Almost no elastic scattering data on  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  until recently!
- Most pressing information
- Also very relevant for future applications of transfer reactions involving deuterons

# Extrapolation in $\delta$

Naïve:  $p/n \Rightarrow D_1 \Rightarrow \pm (N-Z)/A$

Cannot be extrapolated for n

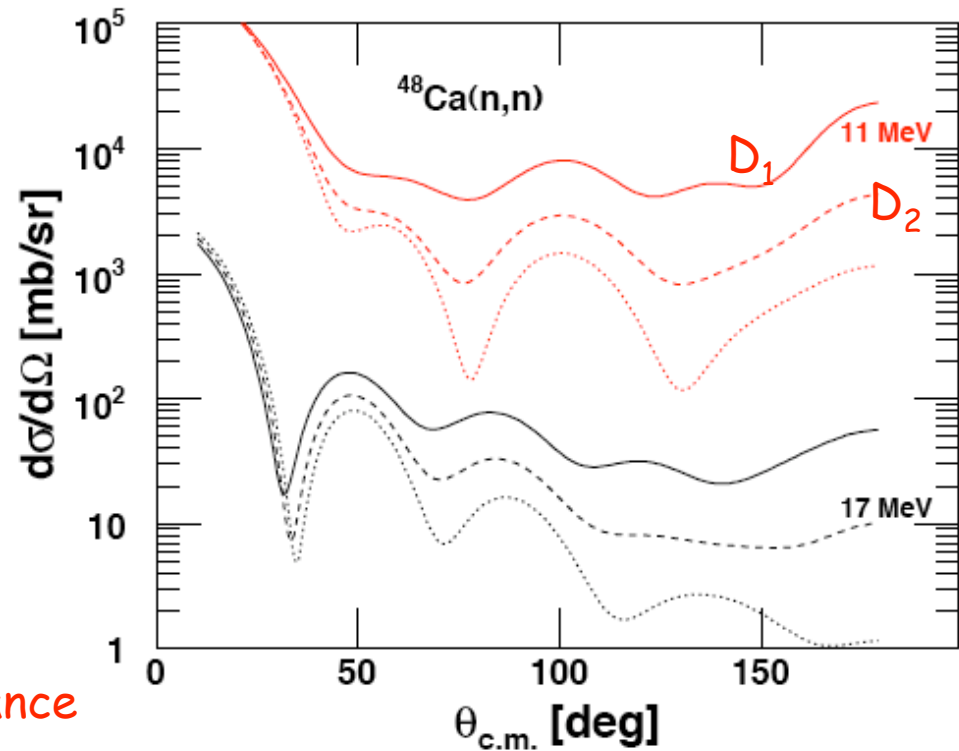
Less naïve:

$D_2 \Rightarrow p \Rightarrow +(N-Z)/A$

$D_2 \Rightarrow n \Rightarrow 0$

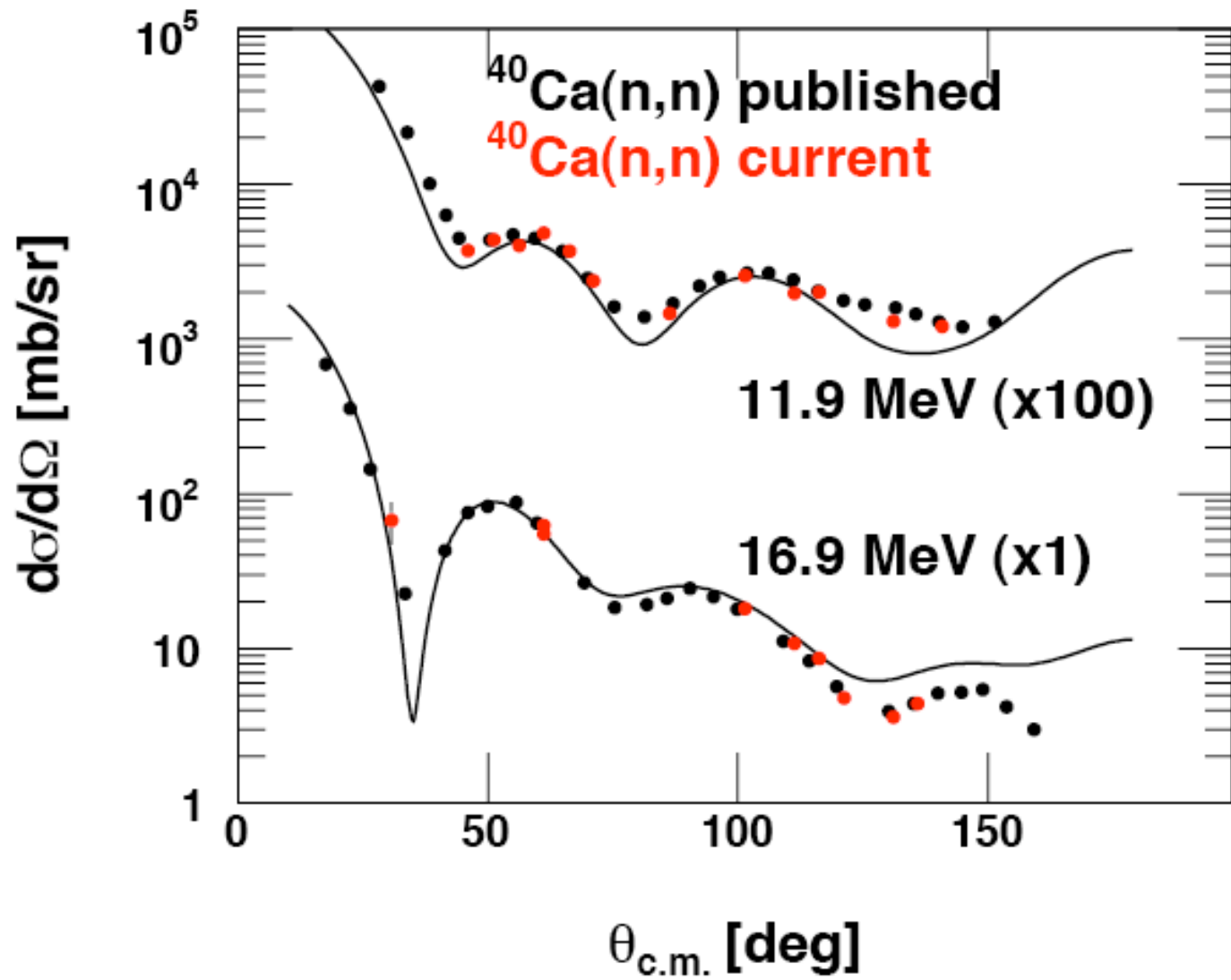
Emphasizes coupling to GT resonance  
Consistent with  $n+{}^A\text{Mo}$  data

Need  $n+{}^{48}\text{Ca}$  elastic scattering data!!!  
Performed at TUNL (Sobotka & Charity)



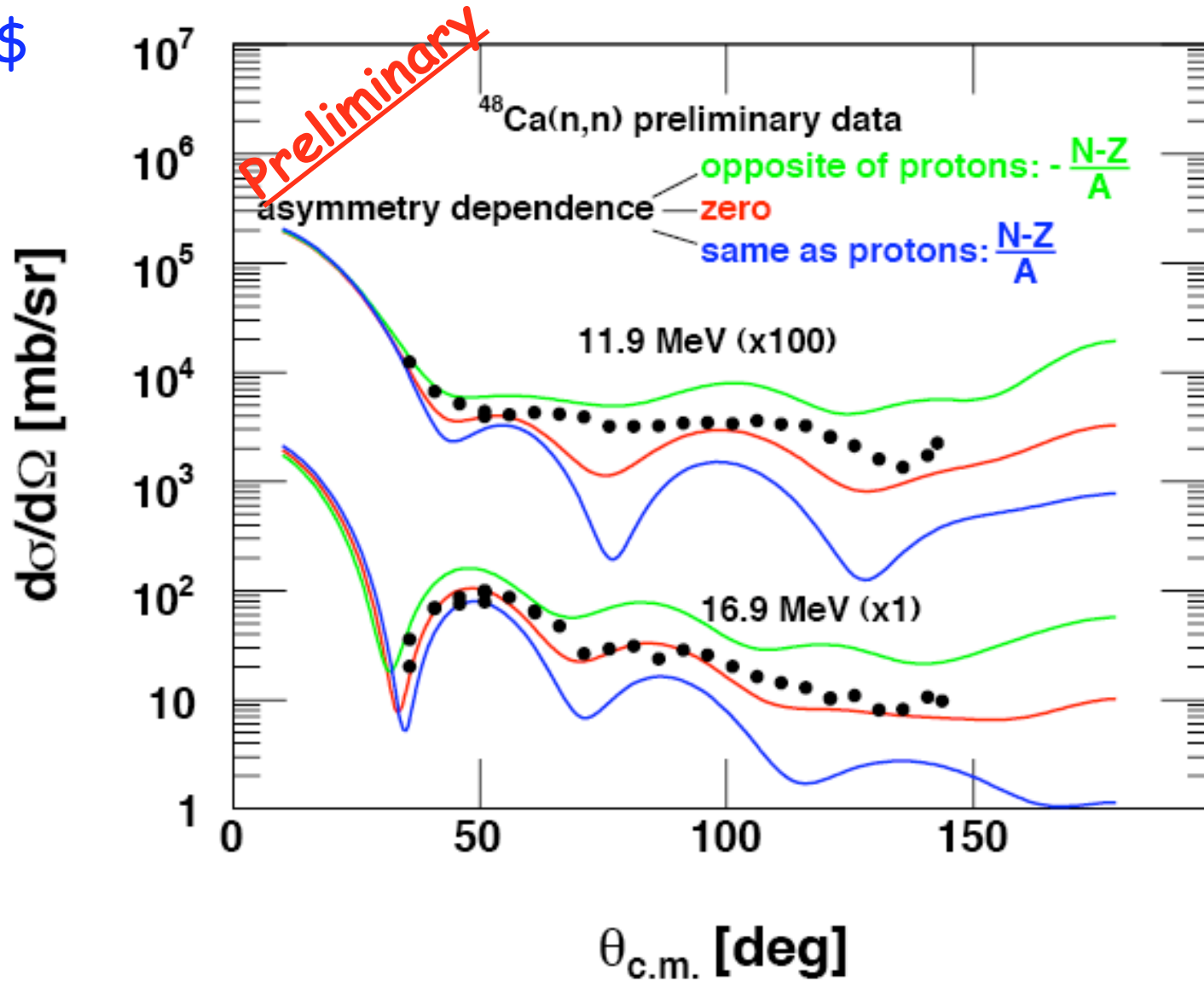
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WashU exp: Sobotka, Shane, Mueller, Charity at TUNL



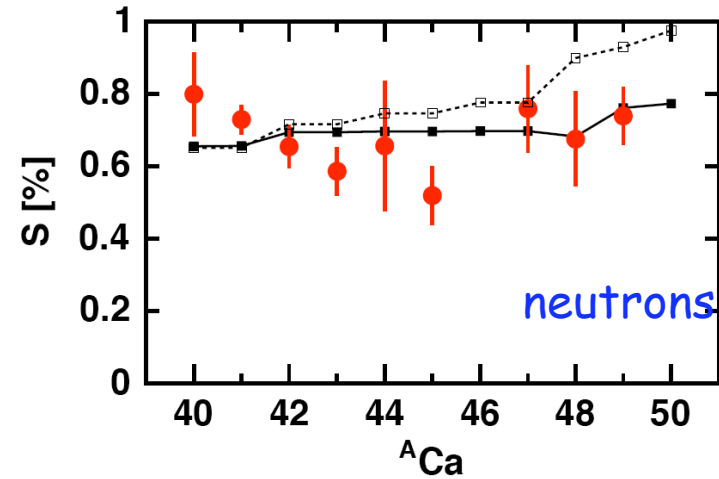
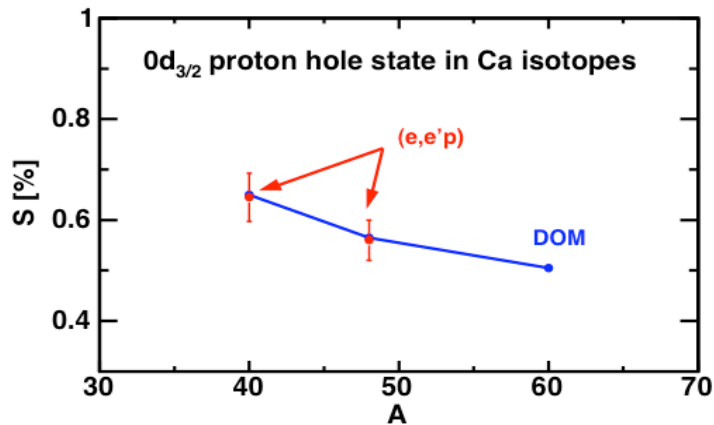
nucleon correlations

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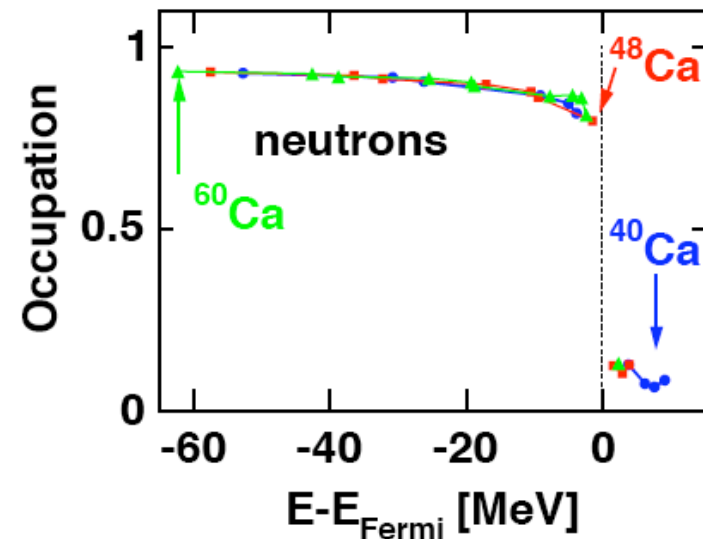
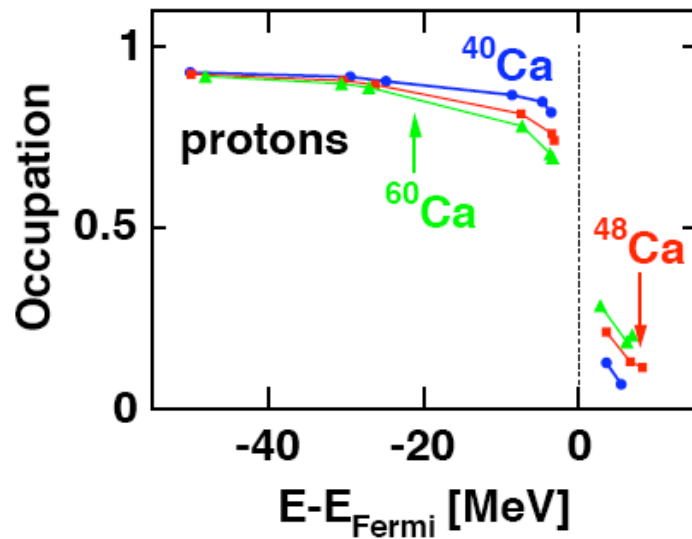


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# Spectroscopic factors as a function of $\delta$



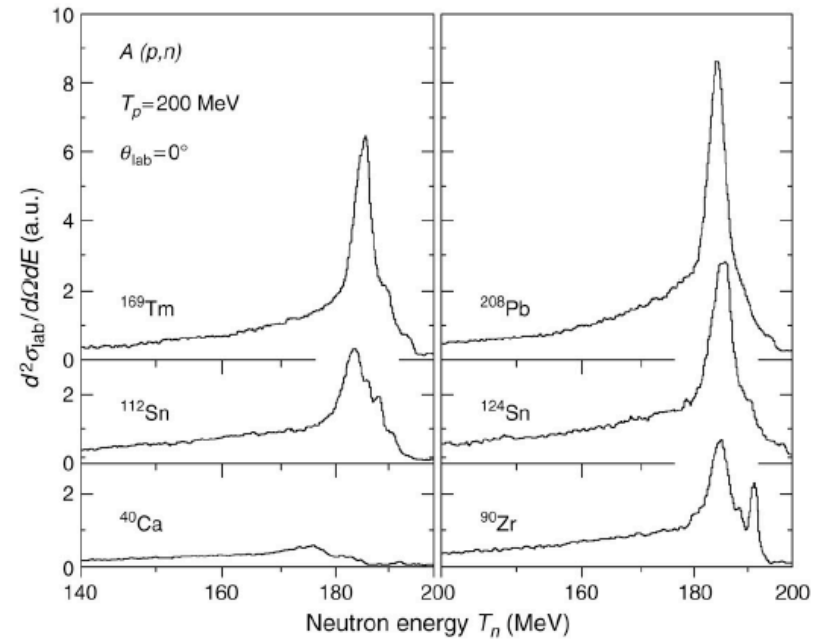
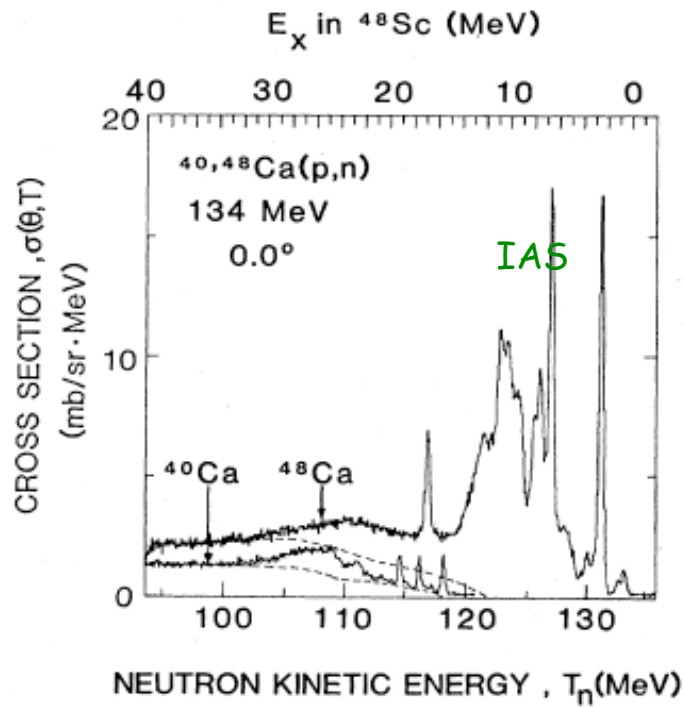
## Occupation numbers



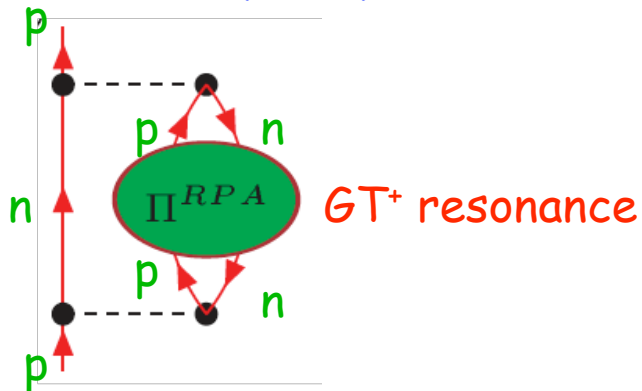
Protons more correlated with  $\delta$   
Neutrons not much change

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# What's the physics? GT resonance?



PRC31,1161(1985)



NPA369,258(1981)

For  $N > Z$  only p affected

Nucleon correlations

# Project DOM-DRIP How to do it:

## Experiment

- ◆ Elastic scattering  $n+^{48}\text{Ca}$  (& other  $N \neq Z$  nuclei)
- ◆ Elastic scattering of radioactive beams off p
- ◆ Heavy-ion knock-out reactions (DOM + ...)
- ◆ (p,2p & pn) inverse kinematics (DOM + NN T-matrix) to match (e,e'p)
- ◆ Transfer reactions (DOM + Johnson, Tostevin, Nunes approach)

## Extend DOM ( $\Rightarrow$ more nuclei)

- Nonlocality (Van Neck)
- Isospin (Waldecker)
- Include charge density data
- Include (e,e'p) data including high-momentum JLab results
- Include higher energy data  $\Rightarrow$  relativity (Piekarewicz?)

## Theory

- \* Calculate self-energy microscopically including tensor force (Barbieri)
- \* Input for quasiparticle DFT (Burnett, Van Neck)

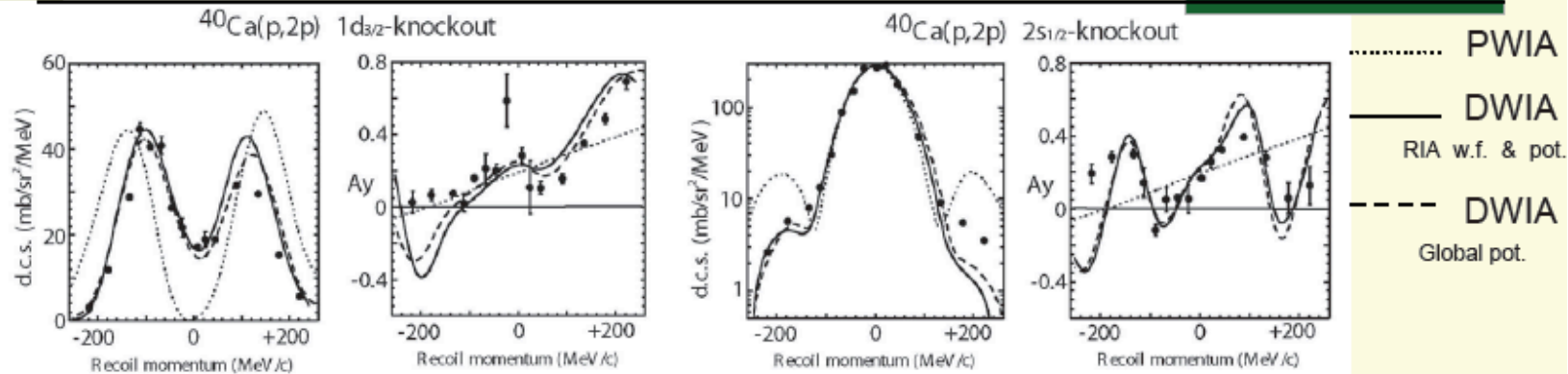
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## (p,2p) stable targets (RCNP)

- Can emulate (e,e'p) results for orbits near the Fermi energy
- $A_y$  puzzle
- (p,pn) experiments approved at RCNP
- Requires different NN interactions including pions that can carry energy!  
(Morris, WU) in progress



# Typical data and spectroscopic factors



Spectroscopic factors (preliminary analysis)

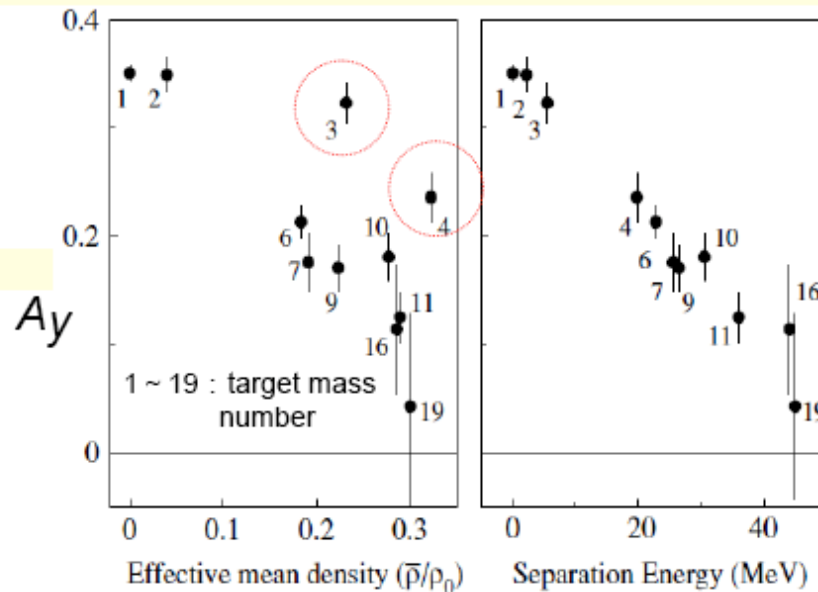
(ZR analysis)  
/ FR and NL effect is required.

| Target             | State      | RIA w.f. & pot. | Global pot.                     | (PWIA) | ( $d, {}^3\text{He}$ )<br>$E_d=52\text{MeV}$ | ( $e, e'p$ )<br>$E_e=280-500\text{MeV}$ |
|--------------------|------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| ${}^{12}\text{C}$  | $1p_{3/2}$ | 1.4             | 1.3                             | (0.35) | 2.98                                         | 1.72                                    |
| ${}^{12}\text{C}$  | $1p_{1/2}$ | -               | 0.35                            | (0.09) | 0.69                                         | 0.26                                    |
| ${}^{40}\text{Ca}$ | $1d_{3/2}$ | 1.8             | 2.1 (392MeV)<br>2.9 (200 MeV)   | (0.3)  | 3.76                                         | 2.58                                    |
| ${}^{40}\text{Ca}$ | $2s_{1/2}$ | 0.71            | 0.91 (392 MeV)<br>1.0 (200 MeV) | (0.2)  | 1.65                                         | 1.02                                    |

Agree with ( $e, e'p$ ) results within ~20%.

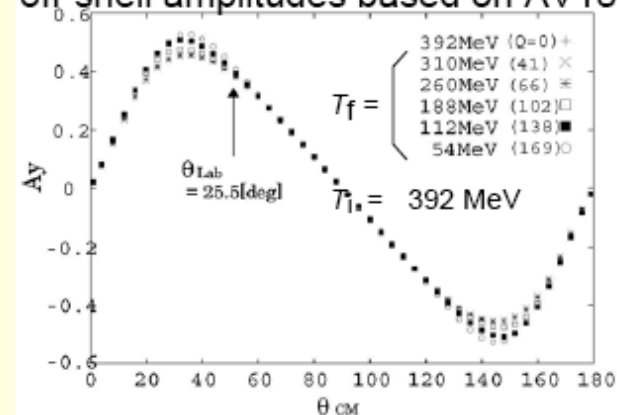
# Ay for various light target nuclei

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Kyushu



- Data are better correlated with  $E_s$
- In particular,  ${}^3\text{He}$  and  ${}^4\text{He}$  data deviate from others in the  $\rho$ -plot.

Analyzing power calculated using half off-shell amplitudes based on AV18



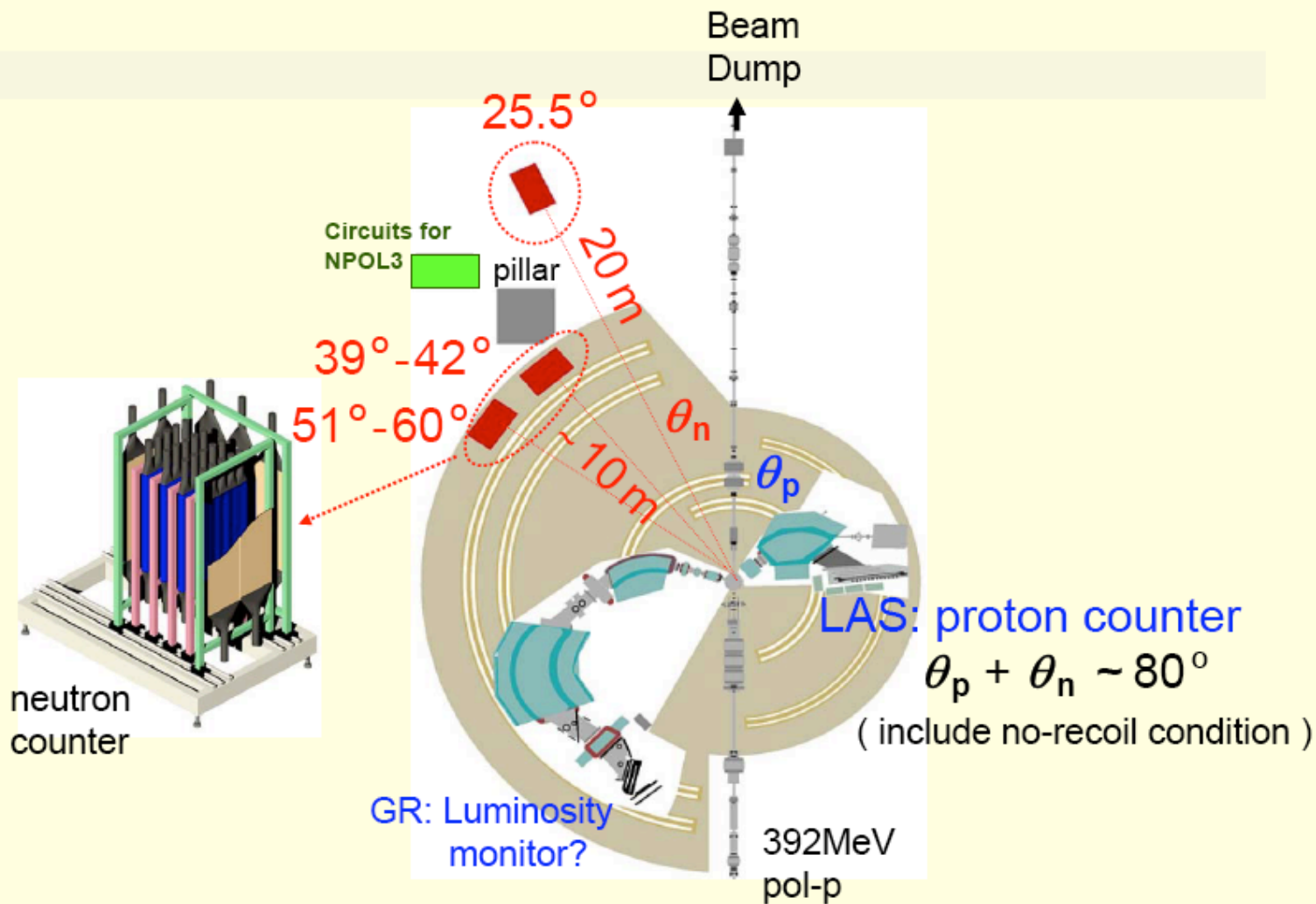
Off-shell effect ?

But, non-relativistic off-shell amplitude causes almost no change of  $A_y$ .

or

Is 'the mean-density' not applicable to lightest nuclei as  ${}^3\text{He}$  and  ${}^4\text{He}$ ?

# Approved experiment : $(p,pn)$



at RCNP

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# (p,2p) inverse kinematics

HIMAC ✓

RIKEN ☺

GSI/FAIR ☺

US ☹ or ☺ ?

HIMAC data (Kobayashi et al.) for C isotopes!

# Conclusion

## Project DOM-DRIP

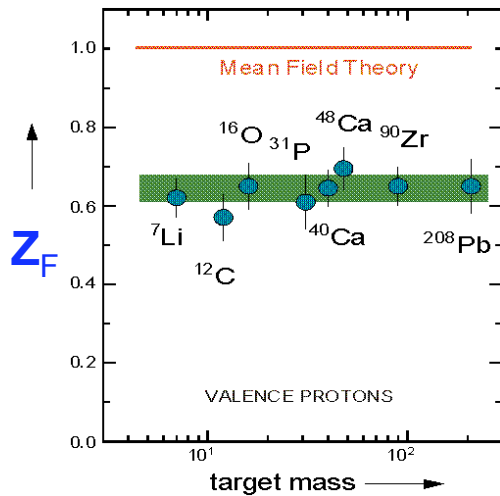
- suggests many new experiments (some in the pipeline)
- allows **data-driven** extrapolation to the drip line
- room for lots of theoretical input
- room for lots of improvements

# Correlations

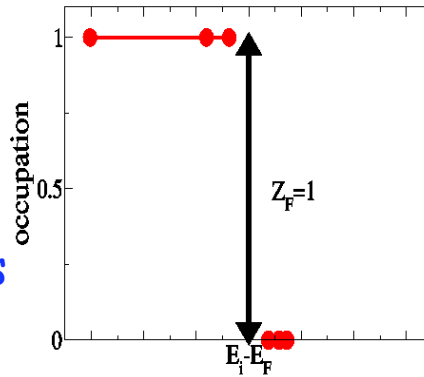
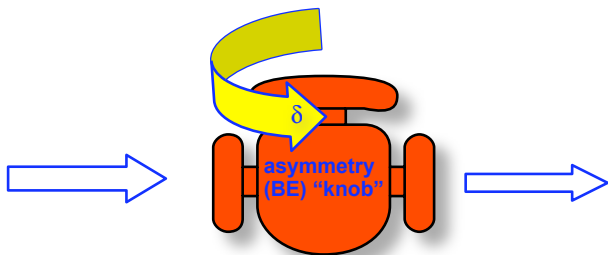
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weak correlations

(e,e'p)

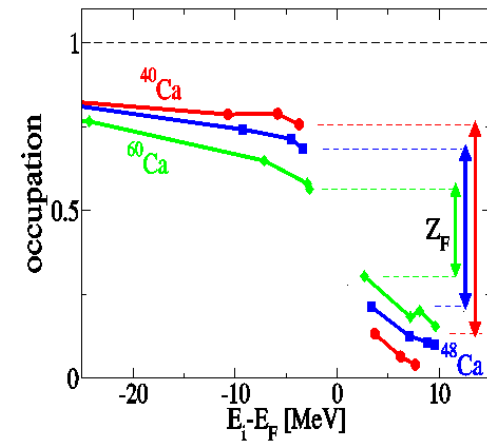
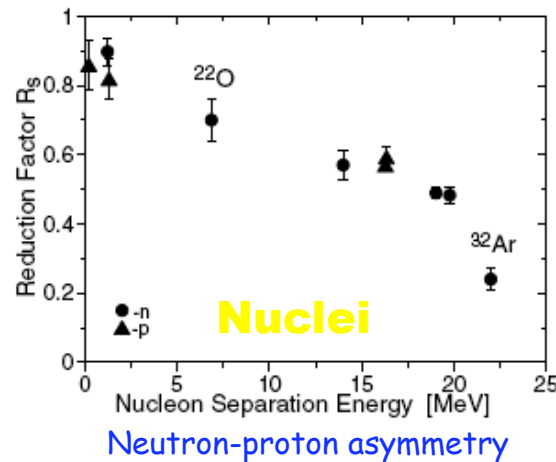


protons in stable closed-shell nuclei

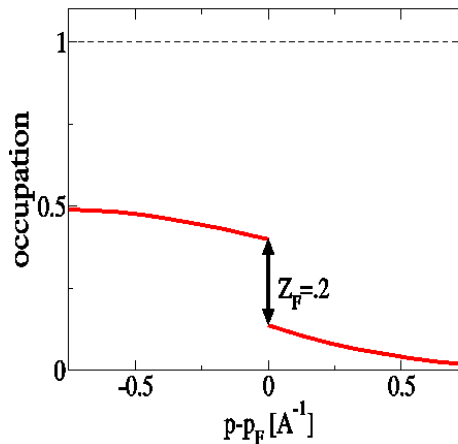


electrons in Ne  
Data from (e,2e)

DOM



protons in Ca



Liquid  ${}^3\text{He}$

very strong correlations  
Data from (n,n')

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