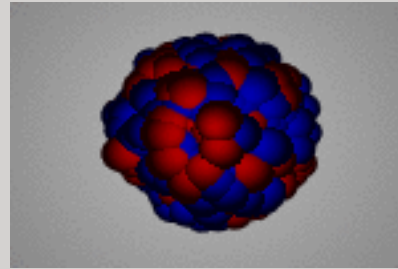


Determination of neutron-skin thickness from giant resonance studies



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Strongly interacting bulk matter at the nuclear, hadronic and partonic levels

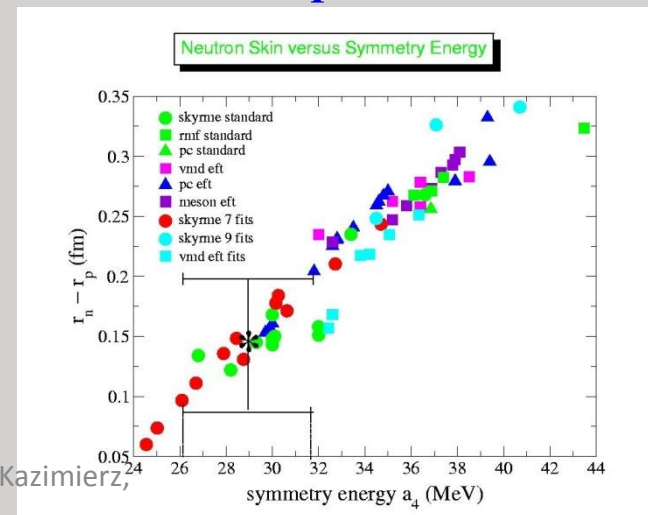
Nuclear Equation of State (Relationship between energy, temperature pressure, and density in nuclear matter)

- ✓ Nuclear Astrophysics – What is the nature of neutron stars and dense nuclear matter?
- ✓ Nuclear Structure – What is the nature of the nuclear force that binds protons and neutrons into stable nuclei and rare isotopes?

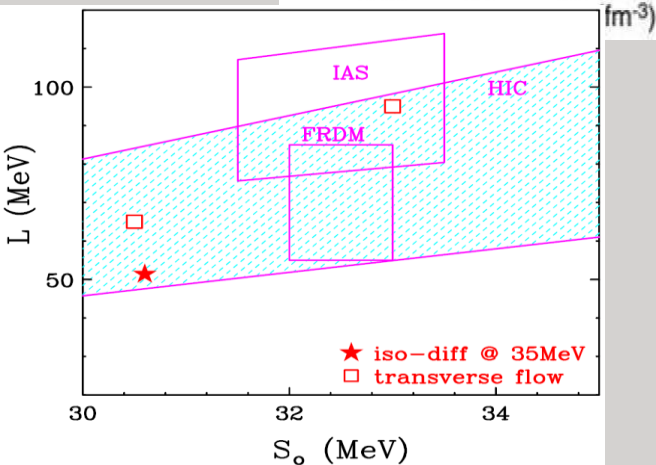
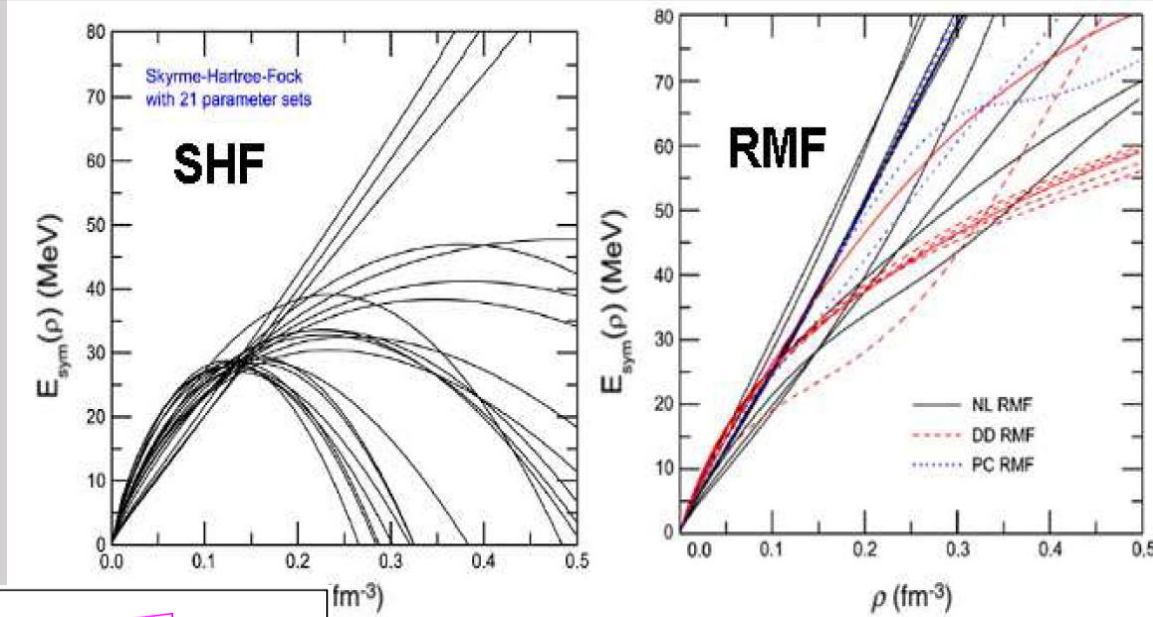
$$E(\rho, \alpha) = E(\rho, 0) + S(\rho) \alpha^2 + O(\alpha^4) + \dots$$

$$\alpha = \frac{N - Z}{A}$$

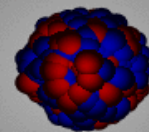
$$S(\rho) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 E(\rho, \alpha)}{\partial \alpha^2} \Big|_{\alpha=0} = a_4 + \frac{p_0}{\rho_0^2} (\rho - \rho_0) + \dots$$



The symmetry energy and their density dependence



M.B. Tsang et al., PRC
86 (2012) 015802.



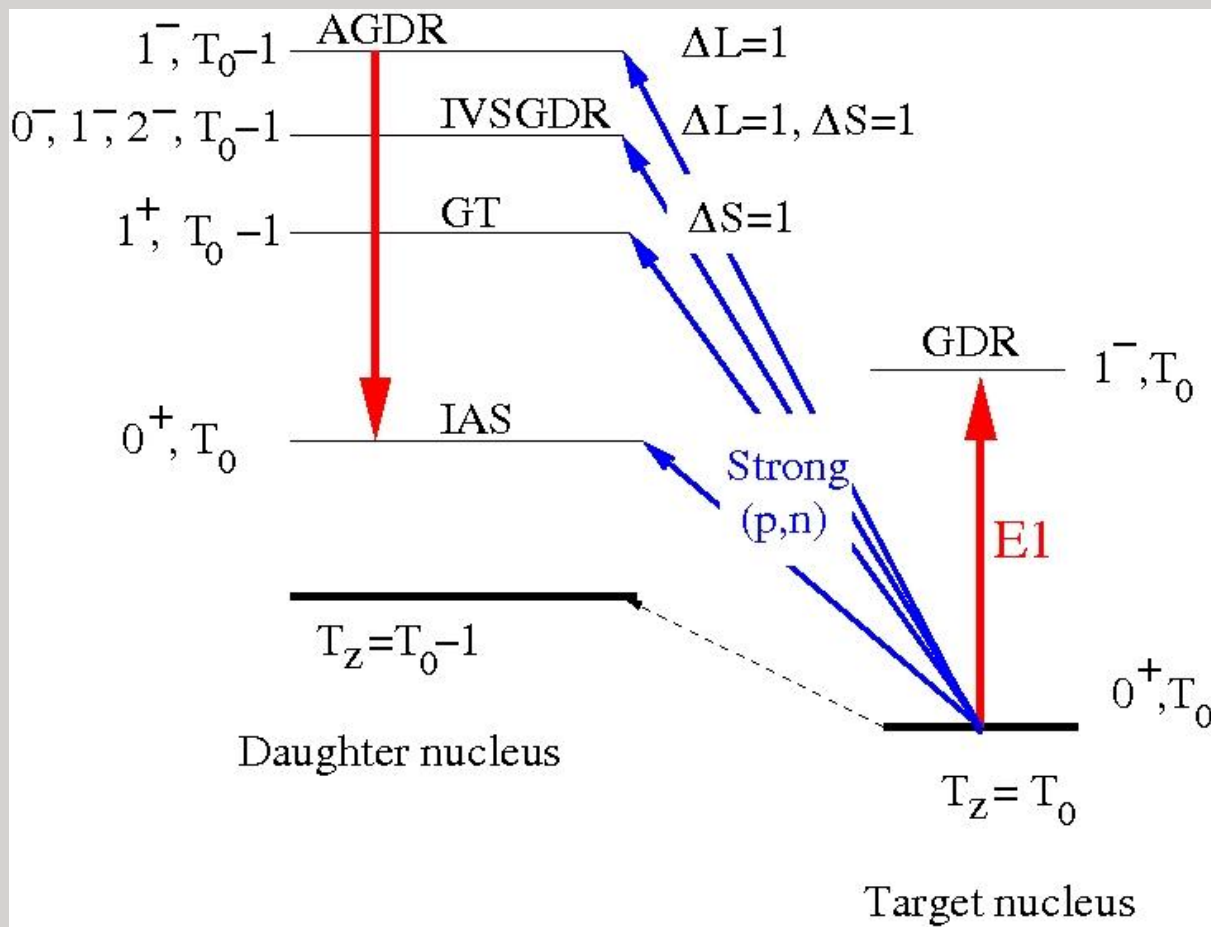
Experiment S408 at GSI

Spokesperson: A. Krasznahorkay

- Excitation of the Antianalog Giant Dipole Resonance (AGDR) in (p,n) reaction
- Very little quenching, and it is precisely known for the whole nuclear chart
- Ground-state γ -decay of the GDR

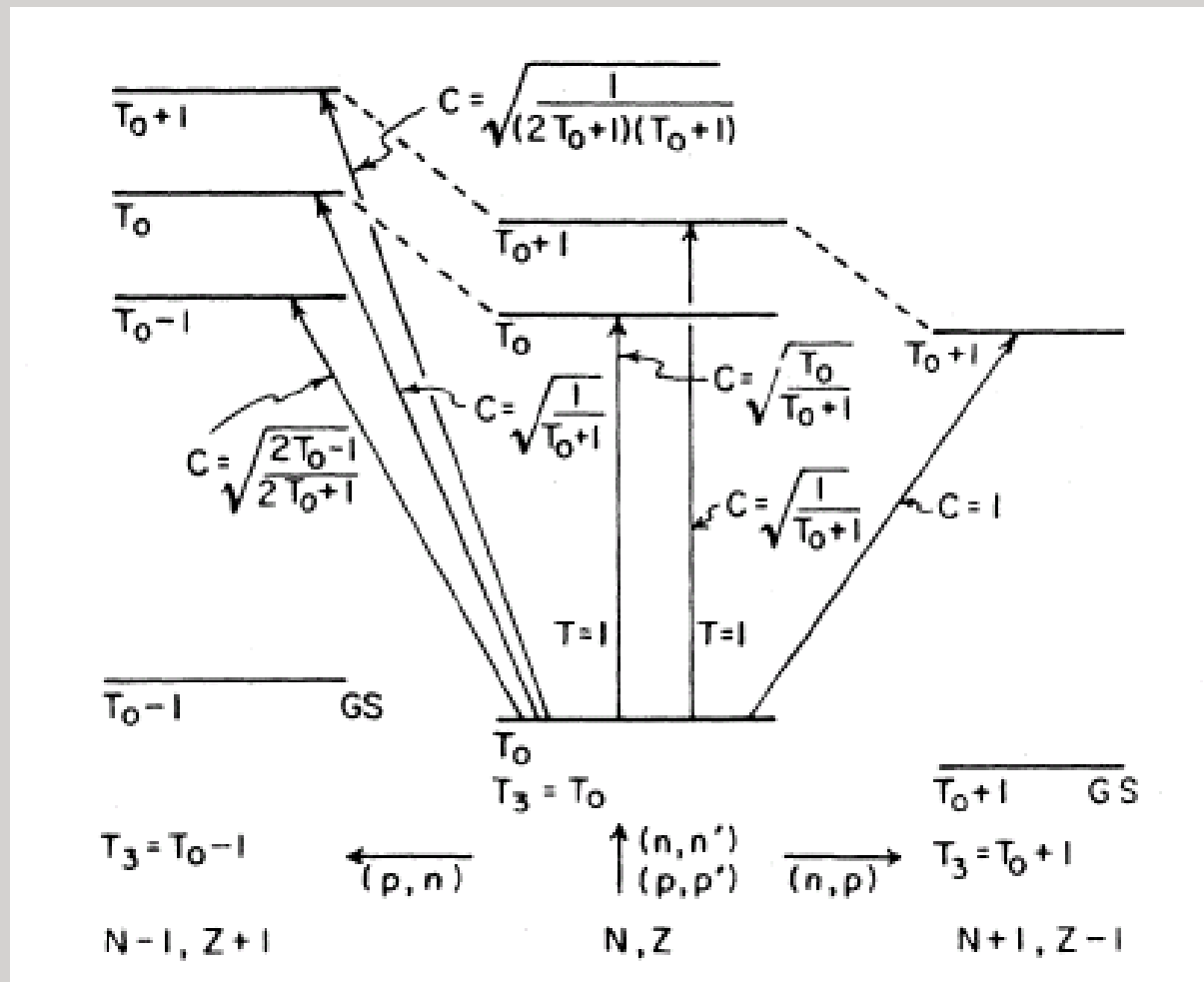
$$\frac{\Gamma_{\gamma}(E_{\gamma})}{\Gamma} = \frac{E_{\gamma}^2}{3\pi^2\hbar c\Gamma} \int \sigma_{abs}(E_{\gamma})dE_{\gamma}$$

Excitation and γ -decay of the AGDR



Isospin Clebsch-Gordan coefficients

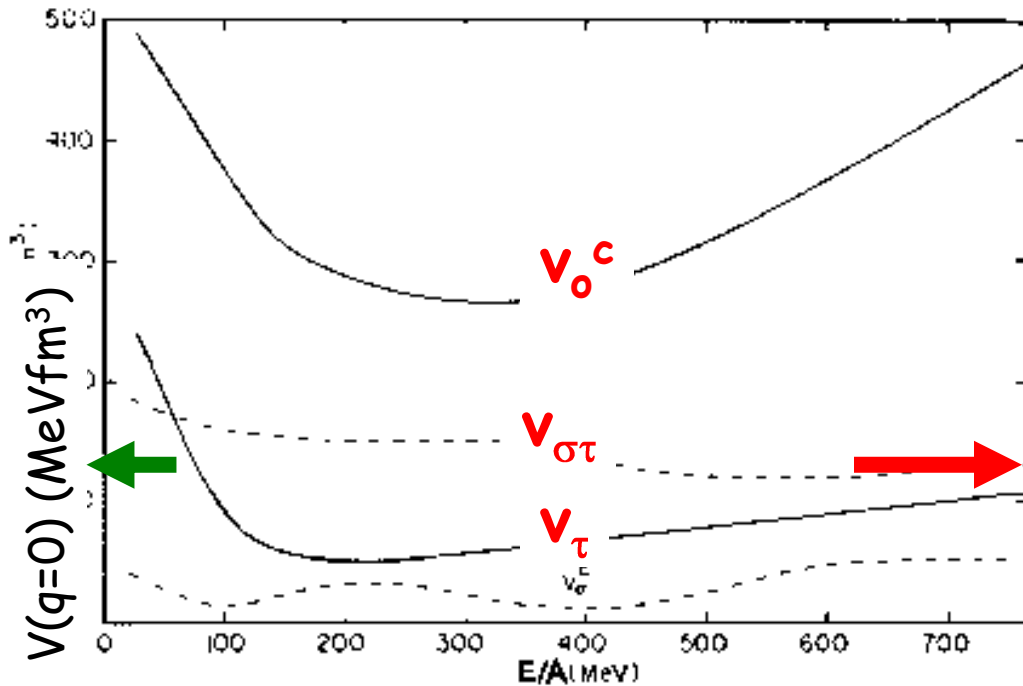
(F. Osterfeld, Rev. Mod. Phys. , **64**, (1992), 491)



Splitting of the dipole and spin-dipole resonances

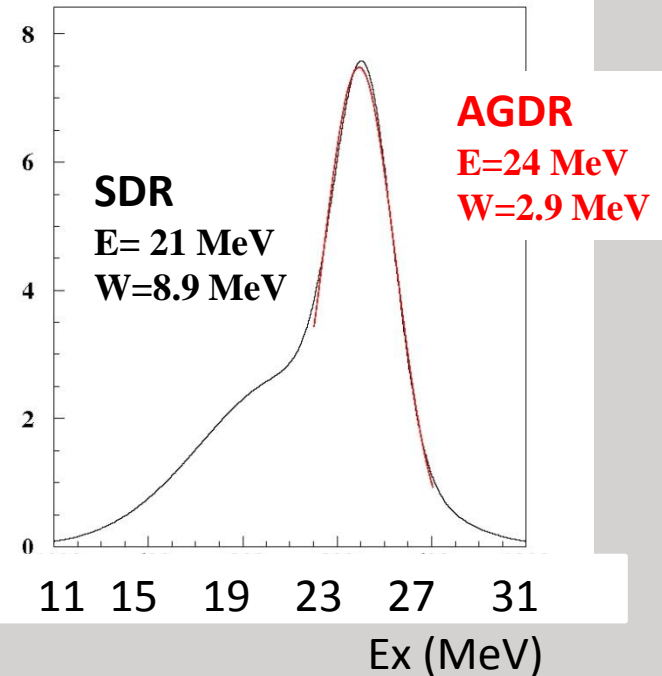
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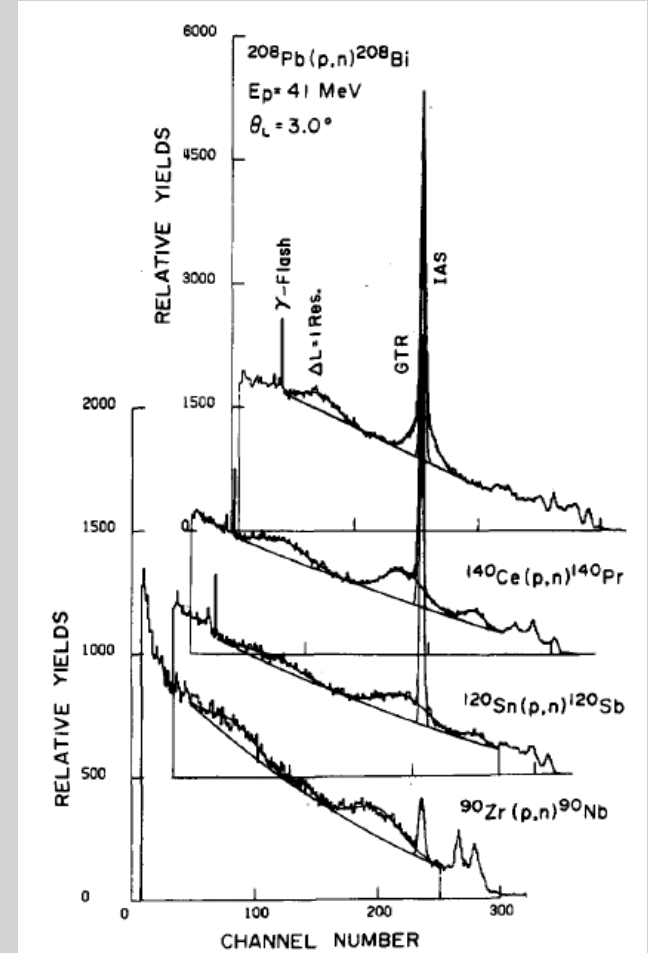
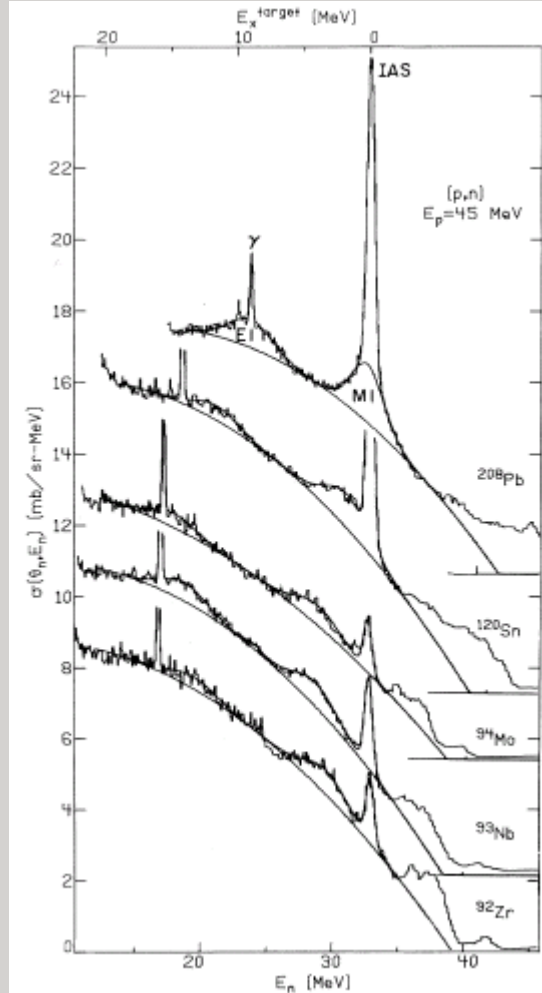
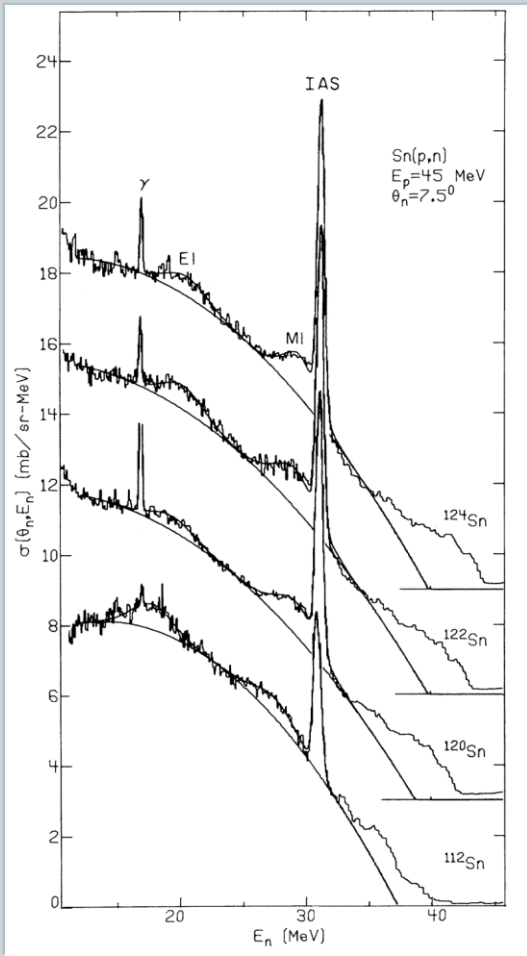


V_{σ}

²⁰⁸Pb



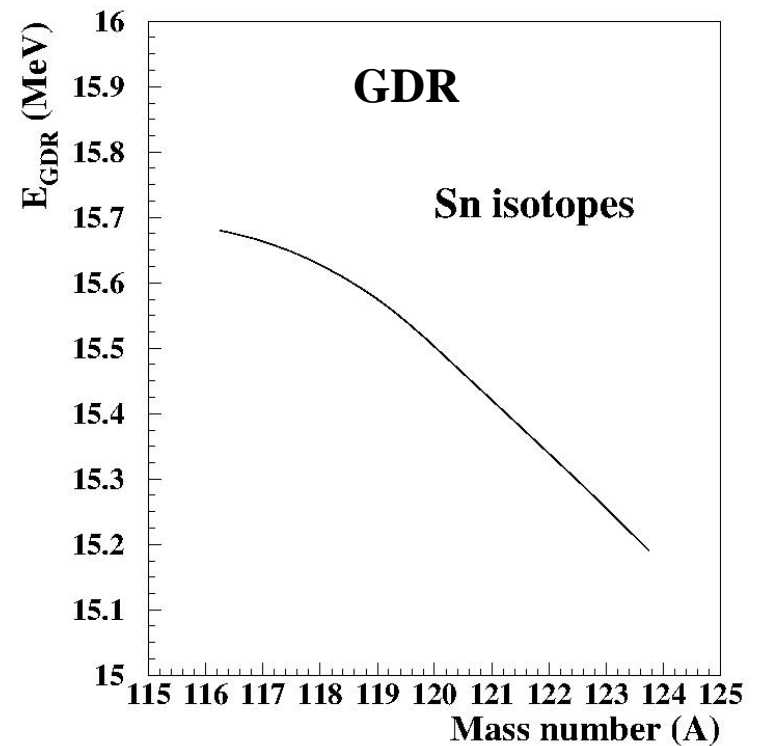
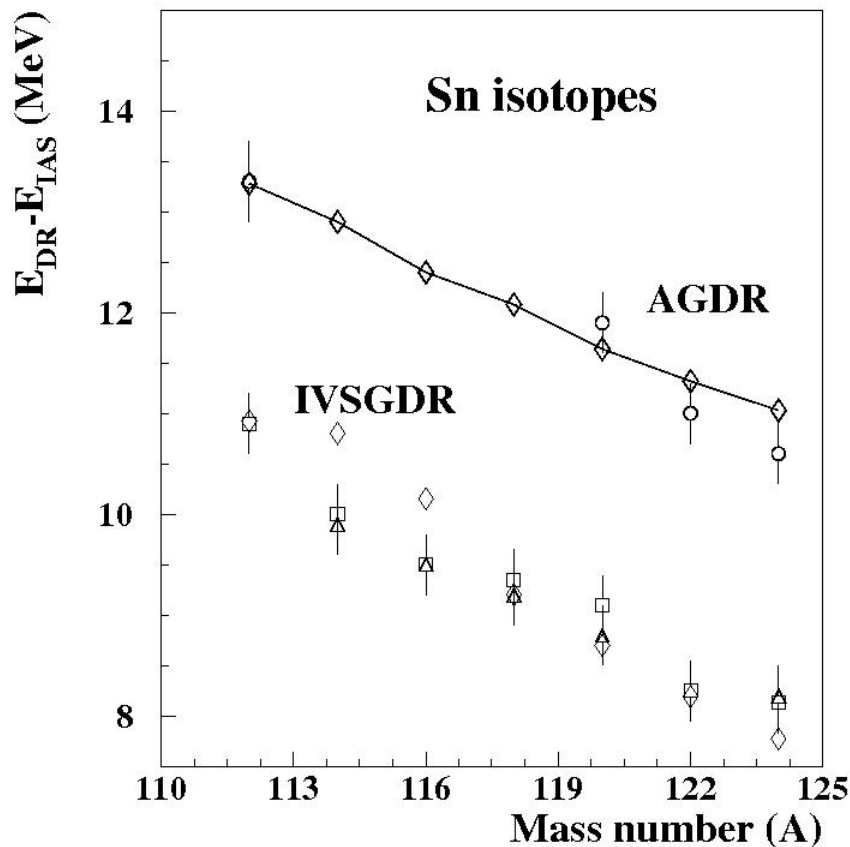
Experimental data for the AGDR



Sterrenburg et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 45, 1839 (1980). L= 7 m.

S. Nishihara et al., Phys. Lett. B 160, 369 (1985). L= 18 m.

Energy of the AGDR and the IVSGDR (SDR) resonances



Sum rules

$$S^- - S^+ = N \langle r_n \rangle^2 - Z \langle r_p \rangle^2$$

A. Krasznahorkay et al.,
PRL 82, 3216 (1999).

$$S^- E^- + S^+ E^+ = \left(\frac{3\hbar^2}{4\pi m} \right) A(1+\kappa+\eta)$$

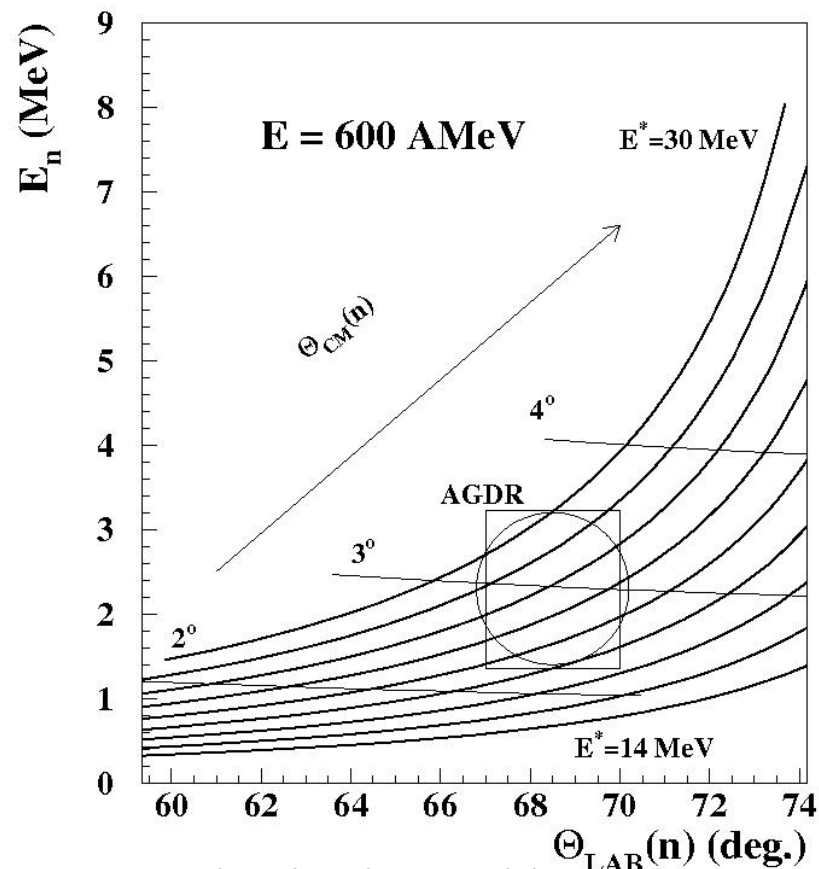
N. Auerbach et al.,
PLB 106(1981)347

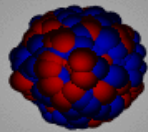
$$\text{TRK} = \left(\frac{3\hbar^2}{8\pi m} \right) A(1+\kappa)$$

if $S^+ = 0$

$$E^- = \left(\frac{3\hbar^2 A}{8N\pi m R_p} \right) \frac{1}{\Delta R_{pn} + R_p(N-Z)/2N}$$

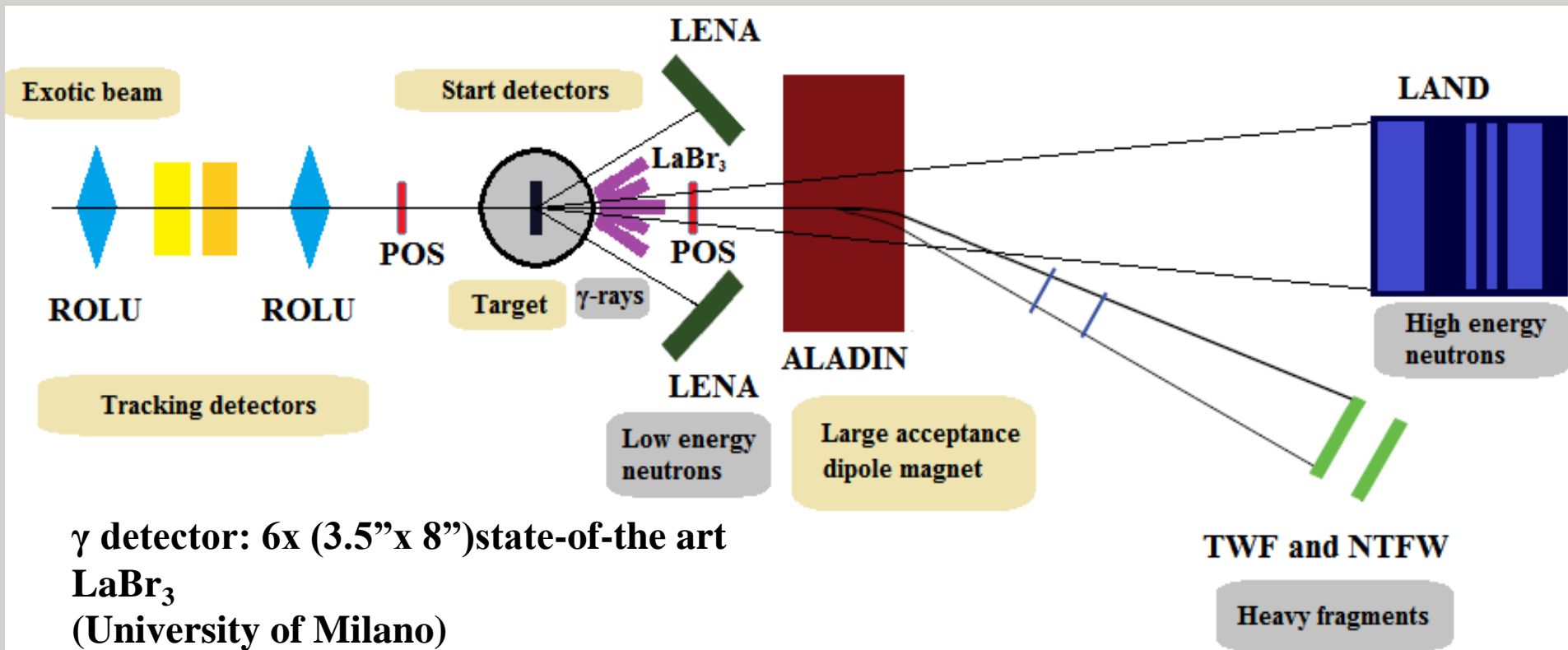
(p,n) reaction in inverse kinematics $p(^{132}\text{Sn},n) E=600 \text{ A MeV}$



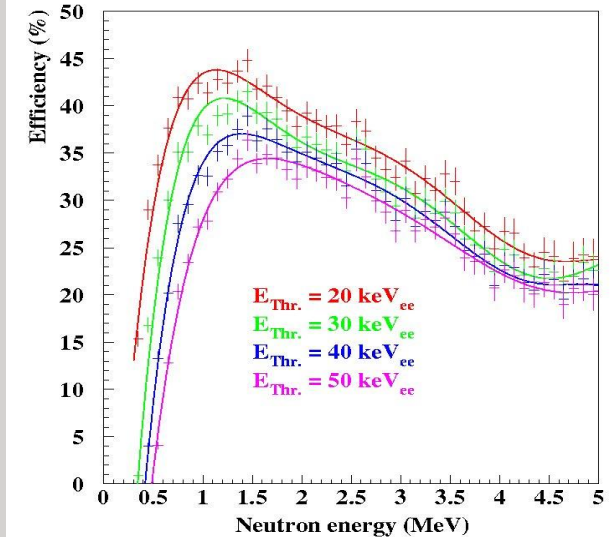
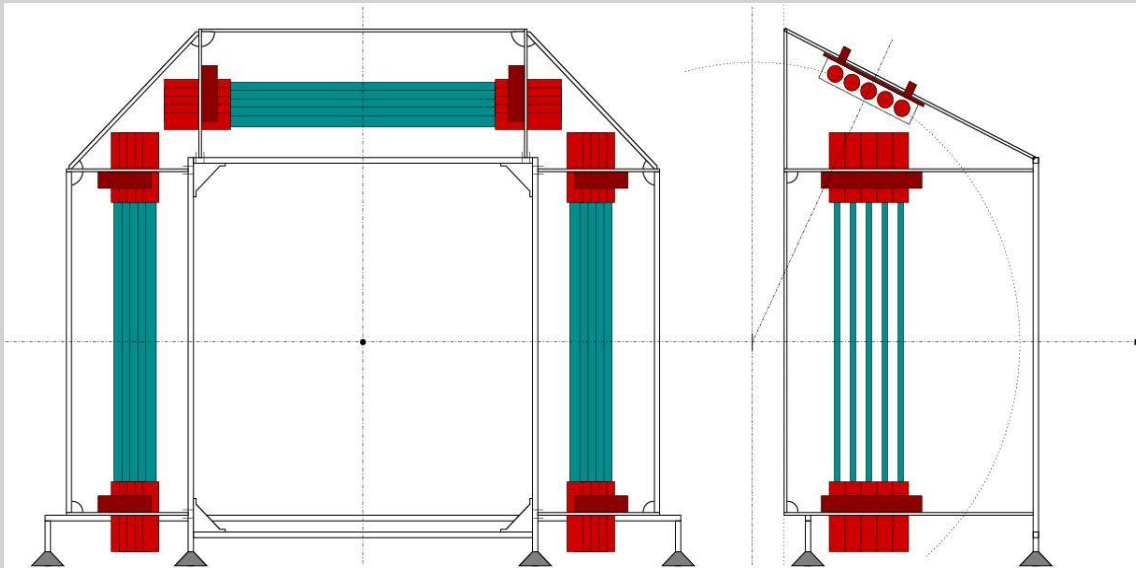


Schematic layout of the setup

$p(^{124}\text{Sn},n)$ $E = 600$ A MeV



Geometrical arrangement and characteristics of LENA



Time resolution (FWHM)

< 0.8 ns

Angular resolution (L = 1 m)

< 1°

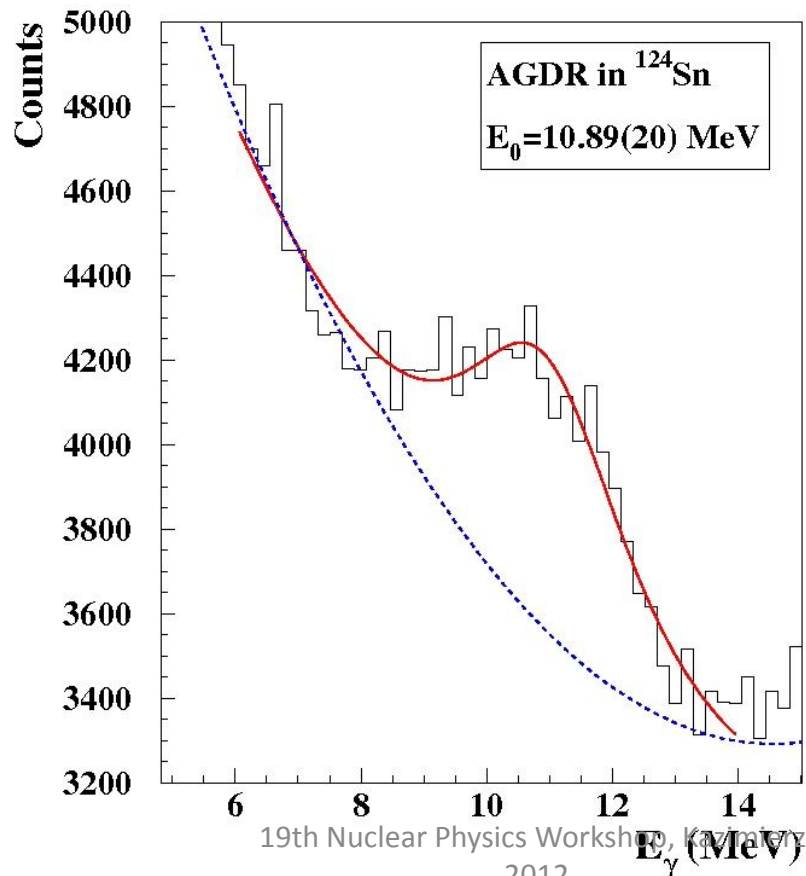
Energy resolution ($E_n = 1 \text{ MeV}$)

< 10 %

Detection efficiency ($E_n = 0.5 - 5 \text{ MeV}$)

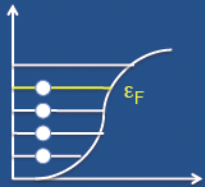
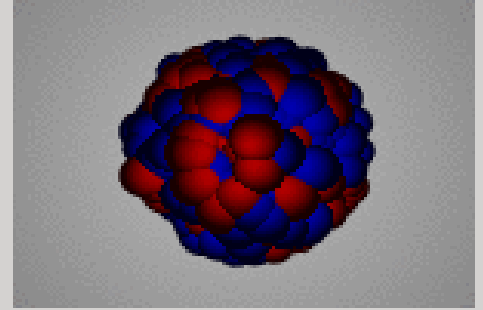
20 - 40 %

γ -ray spectrum measured in coincidence with the neutrons ($0.5 < E_n < 3.5$ MeV and $66^\circ < \Theta_{\text{LAB}} < 68^\circ$)



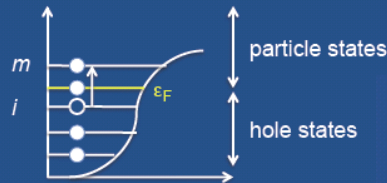
$E(\text{GDR}) = 15.19$
 $\text{FWHM}(\text{GDR}) = 4.81$

Theoretical results



uncorrelated
HF ground state

$$|HF\rangle$$



1p-1h excitation

$$\hat{c}_m^+ \hat{c}_i |HF\rangle$$

particle states

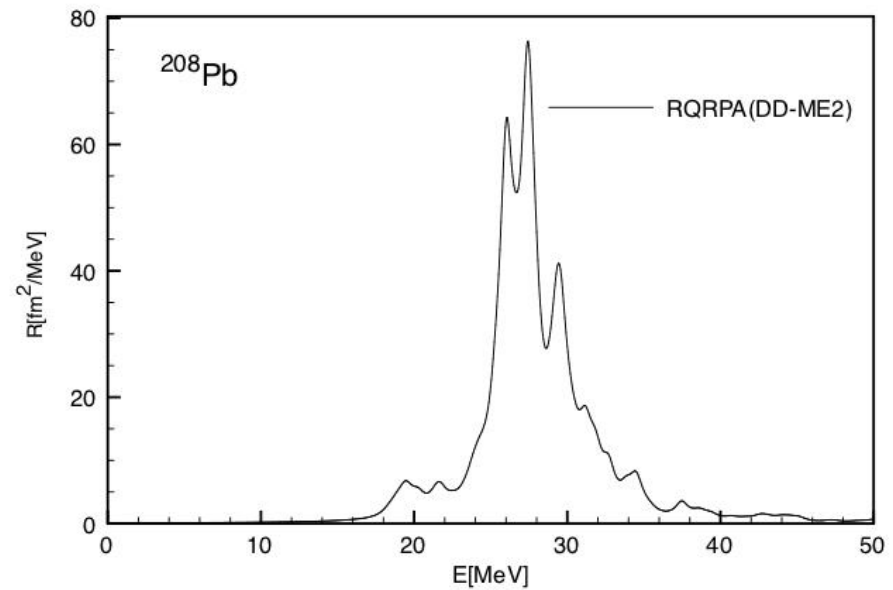
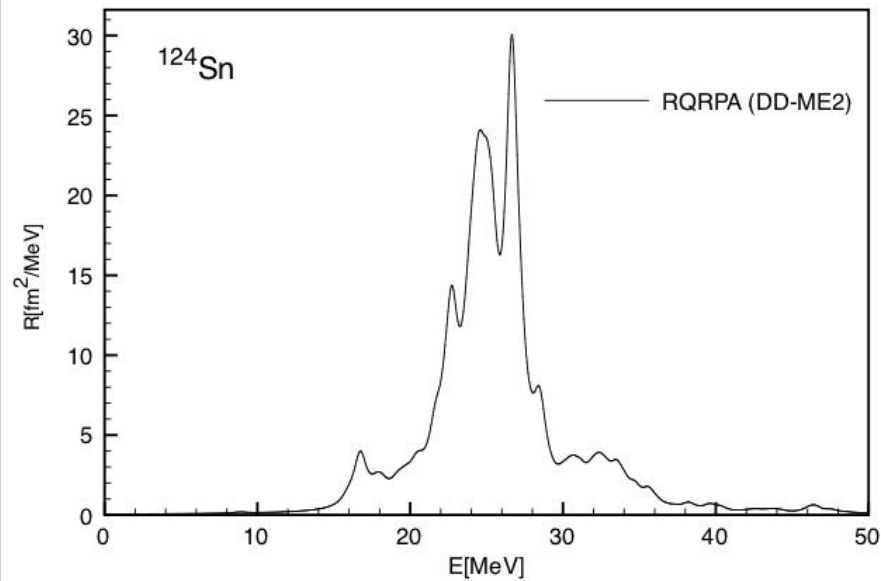
hole states

Collective vibration = coherent superposition of large number of p-h excitations

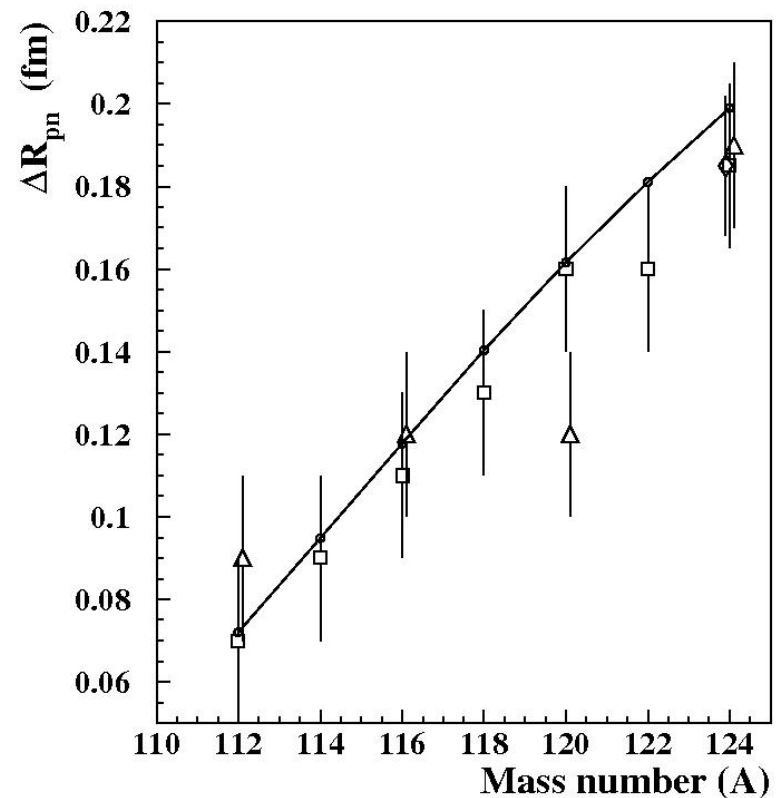
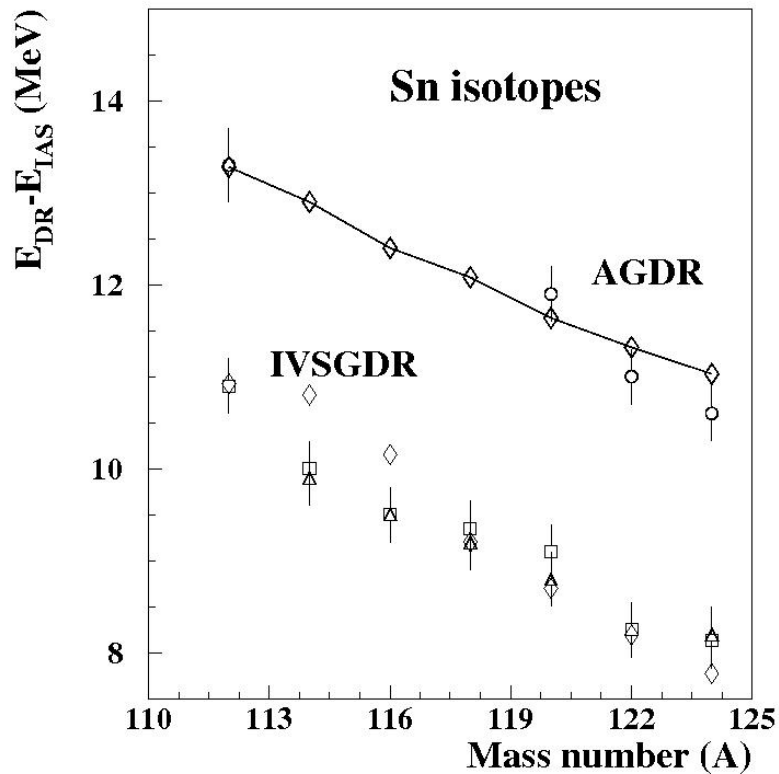
$$|v_{RPA}\rangle = \sum_{m,i} A_{mi}^v (\hat{c}_m^+ \hat{c}_i) |HF\rangle$$

- Fully self-consistent relativistic proton-neutron quasiparticle random phase approximation (pn-RQRPA) based on the Relativistic Hartree-Bogoliubov model (RHB) [Vretenar & Paar].
- density-dependent meson-exchange (DD-ME) interactions

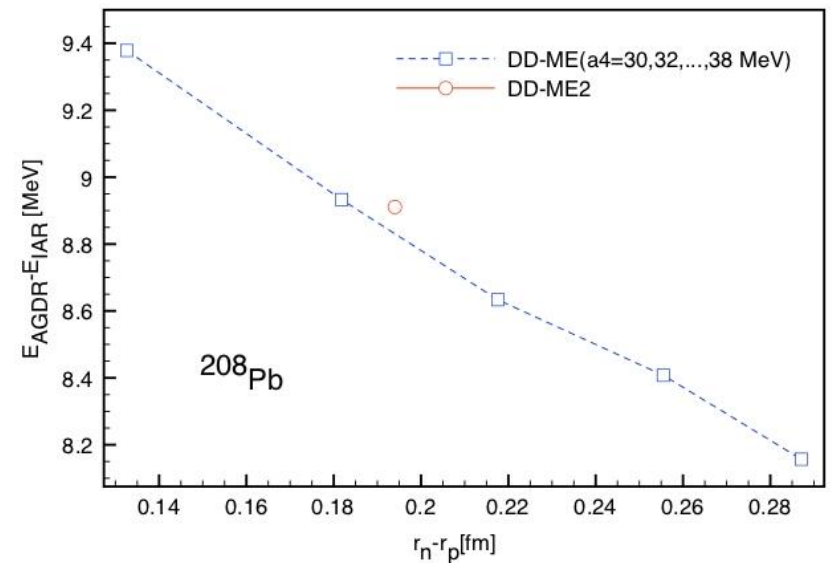
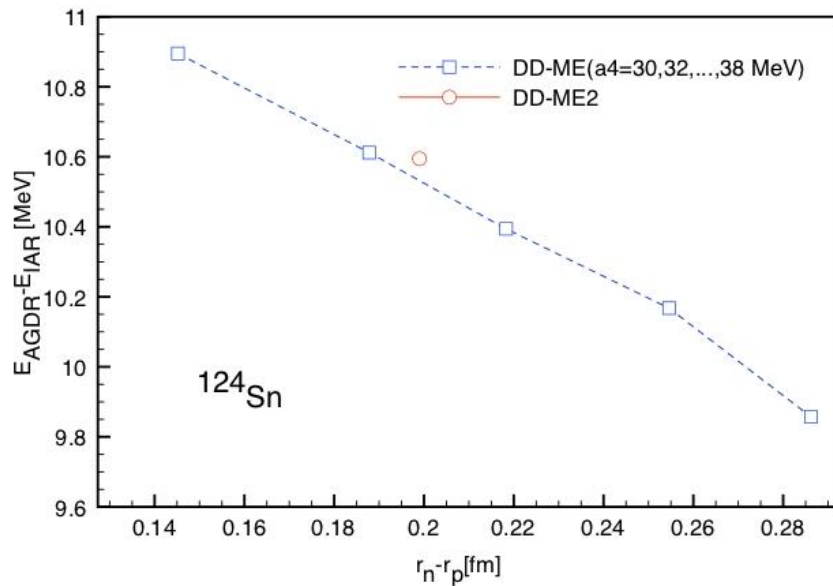
AGDR strength distributions



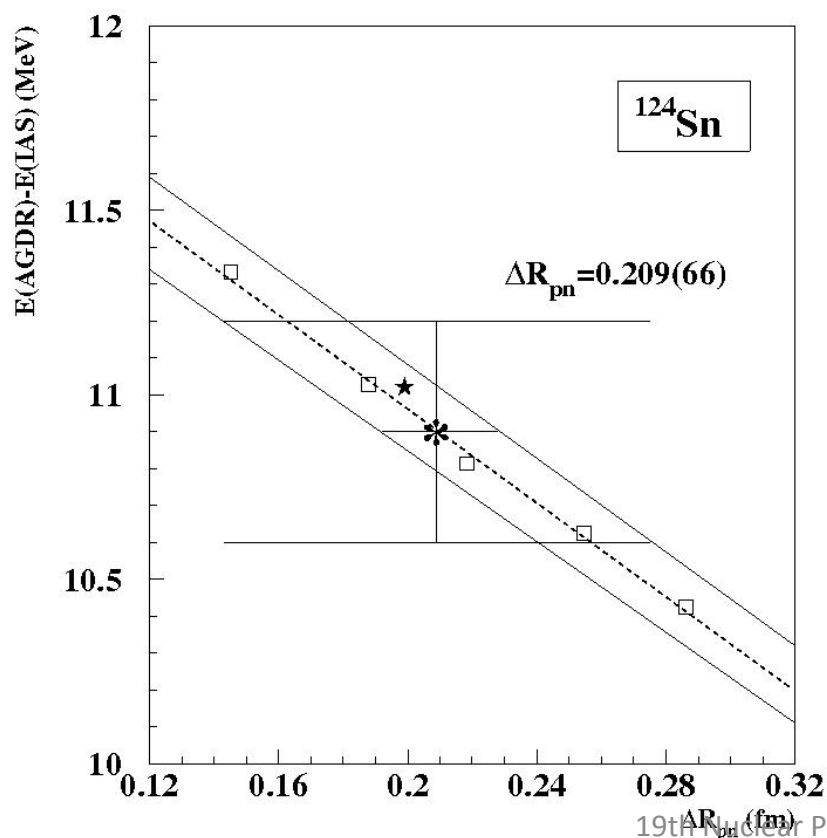
Results for the Sn isotopes



Sensitivity of the AGDR to the neutron-skin thickness

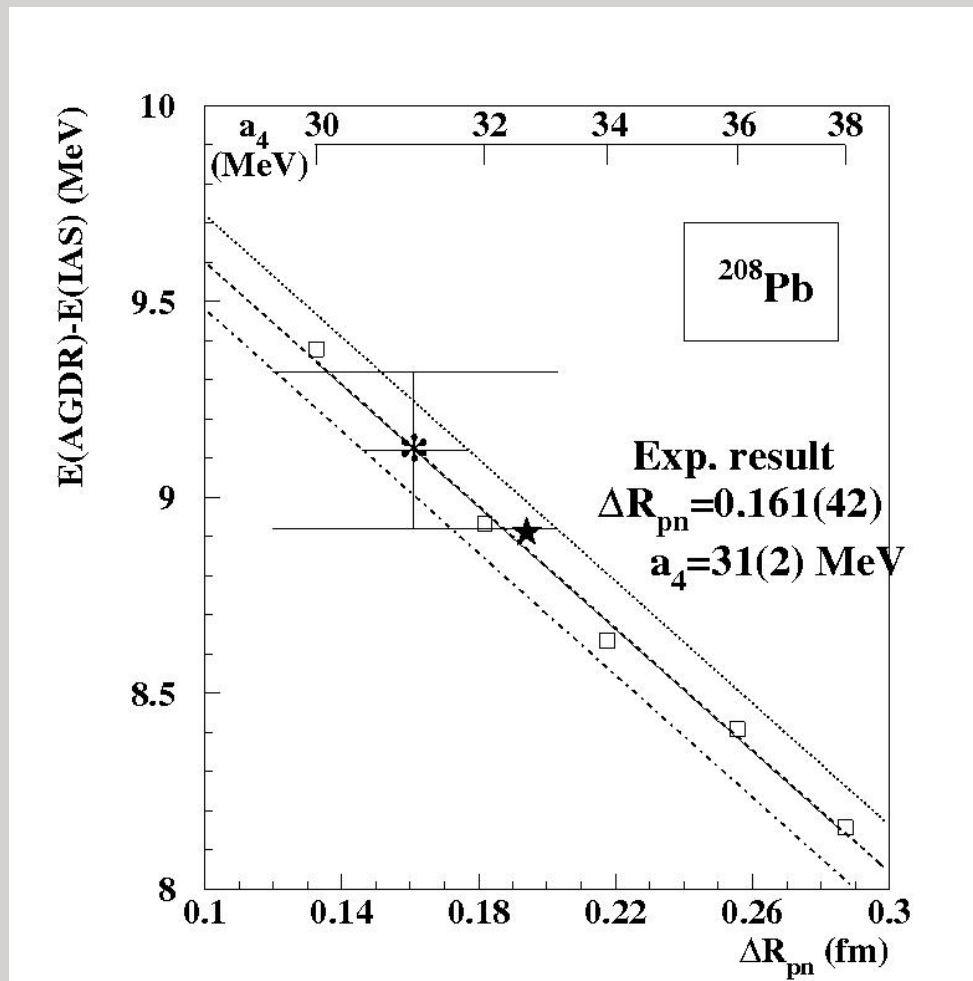


The theoretical values $E(\text{AGDR})-E(\text{IAS})$ are plotted as functions of the corresponding ground-state neutron skin thickness R_{pn} , and compared to the experimental value $E(\text{AGDR}) - E(\text{IAS}) = 10.90 \pm 0.32$ MeV.

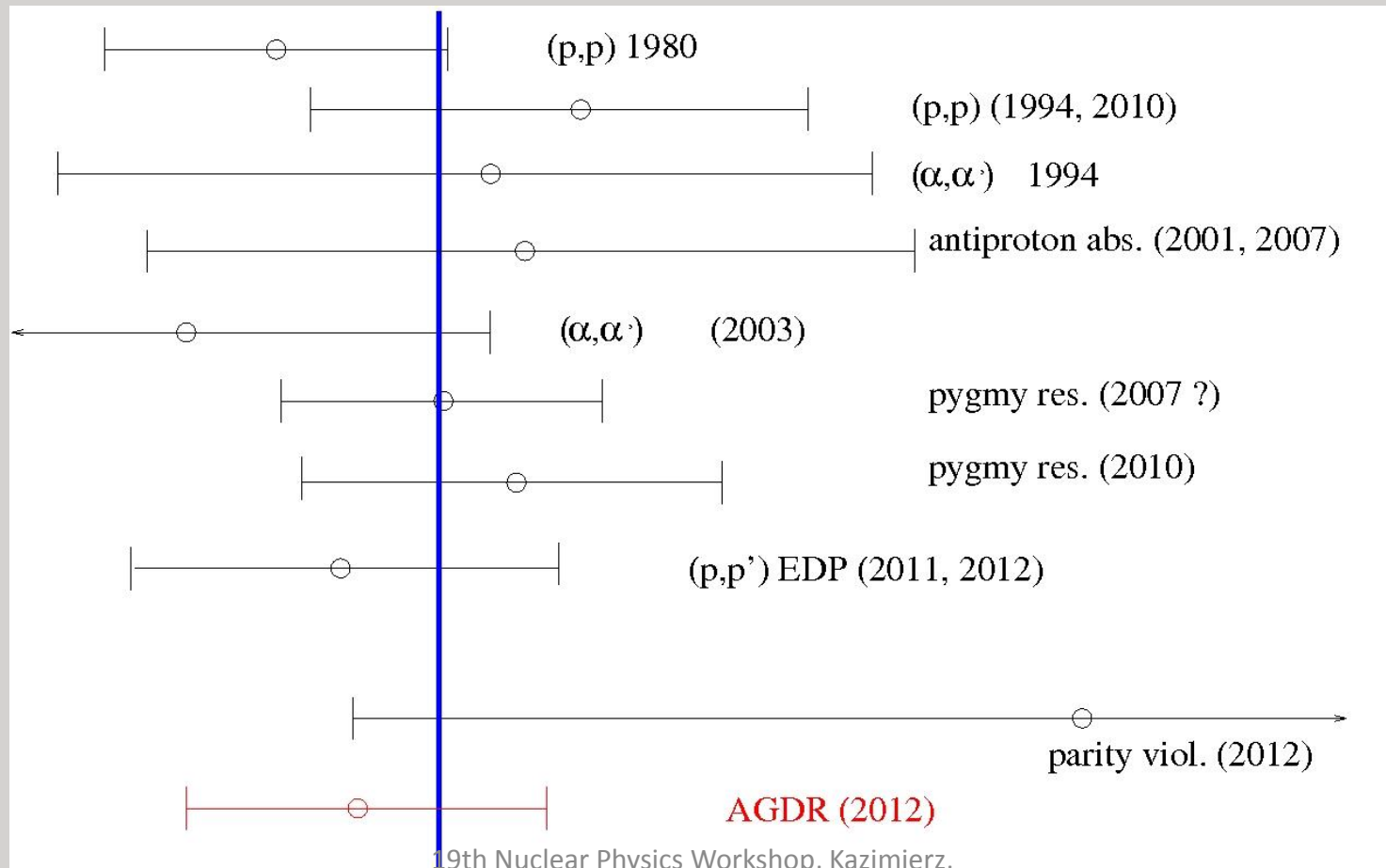


Method	Ref.	Date	ΔR_{pn} (fm)
(p,p) 0.8 GeV	[35]	1979	0.25 ± 0.05
(α, α') GDR 120 MeV	[8]	1994	0.21 ± 0.11
antiproton absorption	[34, 37]	2001	0.19 ± 0.09
$(^3\text{He}, t)$ IVSGDR+AGDR	[10]	2004	0.27 ± 0.07
pygmy dipole res.	[12, 36]	2007	0.19 ± 0.05
(p,p) 295 MeV	[1, 36]	2008	0.185 ± 0.05
AGDR present res.		2012	0.19 ± 0.05

Same as described previously for ^{124}Sn but for the target nucleus ^{208}Pb .



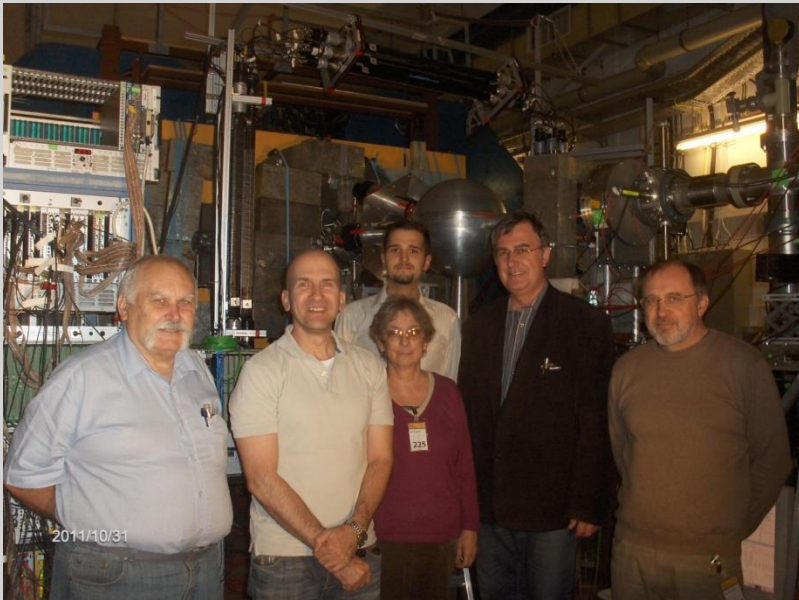
Summary of the results obtained so far for the neutron-skin thickness of ^{208}Pb



V. Conclusions

- A new method was introduced to measure the neutron-skin thickness
- GR studies in stable beams
- GR studies proposed in RIB's
- Challenges for the detectors

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