

# Collective excitations as a probe of the nuclear effective interaction

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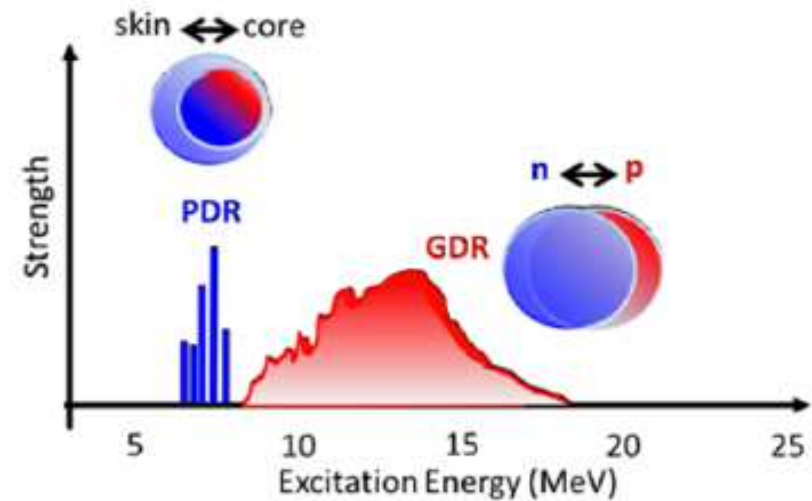
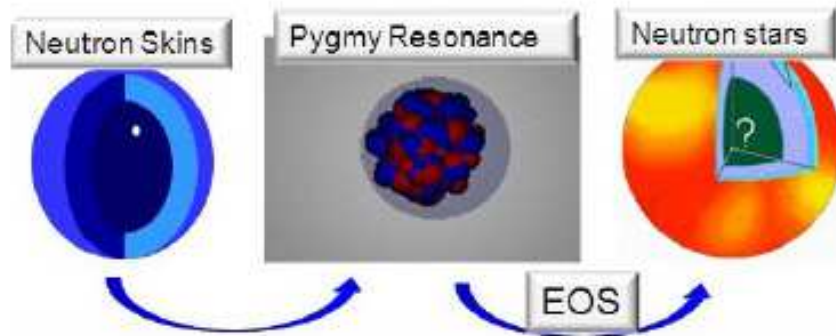
**D.Lacroix, X.Roca-Maza, G.Scamps**

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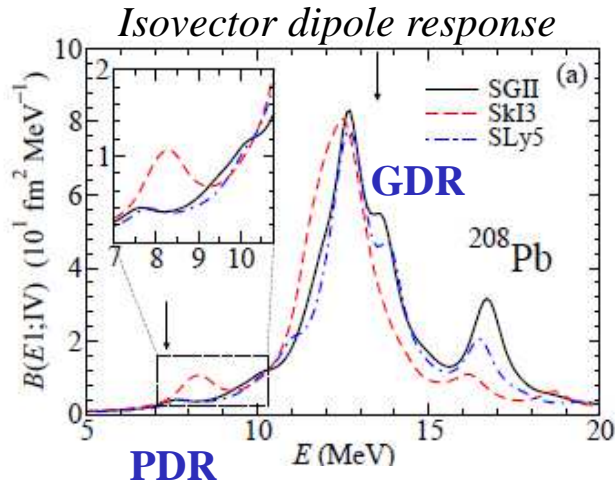
- Brief introduction to quantal dynamical approaches and transport theories:  
*classical vs quantal description*
- Small amplitude dynamics:
  - Dipole excitations: collective nature ?
  - Link to nuclear effective interaction and EOS

# Collective modes and effective interaction: some examples

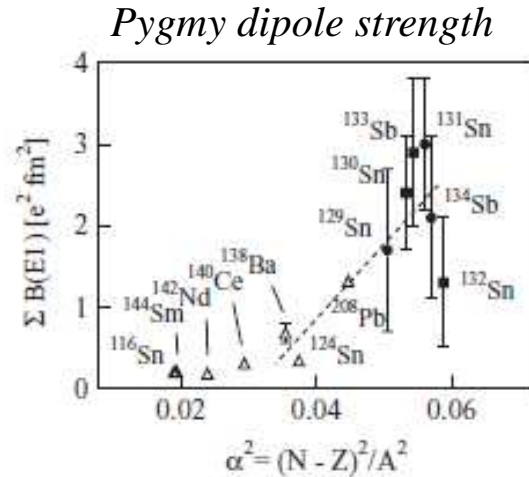
- **Collective phenomena** in many-body systems  $\Rightarrow$  properties of **interaction**
  - **Dipole excitations** in nuclei: **Giant Dipole Resonance (GDR)**  
**Pygmy Dipole Resonance (PDR)**
- **Isvector** term of **effective interaction**: **symmetry energy** in EoS



# The Isovector Dipole Response (DR) in neutron-rich nuclei



X.Roca-Maza et al., PRC 85(2012)



Klimkiewicz et al.

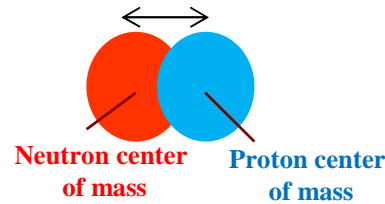
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$$\vec{D} = \frac{NZ}{A} \vec{X}$$

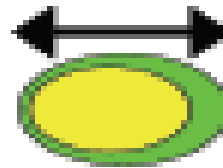
➤ Giant DR

➤ Pygmy DR

X neutrons – protons



Y excess neutrons - core



# Dynamics of many-body systems

- **Small amplitude dynamics** of nuclei
  - **Quantal** approaches: **TDHF** [in coll. with D. Lacroix and G. Scamps]  
**HF+RPA** [in coll. with X. Roca Maza]
  - **Semi-classical** approaches: **Vlasov** model [see V. Baran et al., PRC88, (2013)]

- **Transport equation** for the 1-body distributions  $f_q(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t)$

$$\frac{\partial f_q}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \epsilon_q}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \frac{\partial f_q}{\partial \mathbf{r}} - \frac{\partial \epsilon_q}{\partial \mathbf{r}} \frac{\partial f_q}{\partial \mathbf{p}} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \rho_q(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{2}{(2\pi\hbar)^3} \int d\mathbf{p} f_q(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t) \quad q = p, n$$

- **Vlasov** equation  $\equiv$  **semi-classical** limit of **TDHF** equation

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \{f, H_{\text{eff}}\} = 0 \quad \Leftarrow \quad i\hbar \dot{\hat{\rho}}(t) = [\hat{H}_{\text{eff}}[\rho], \hat{\rho}]$$

- **Mean-field** with **Skyrme** interactions:

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \tau + C_0 \rho^2 + D_0 \rho_3^2 + C_3 \rho^{\sigma+2} + D_3 \rho^\sigma \rho_3^2 + C_{\text{eff}} \rho \tau + D_{\text{eff}} \rho_3 \tau_3 + C_\nabla (\nabla \rho)^2 + D_\nabla (\nabla \rho_3)^2$$

- **Test-particle** method (**finite width** wave packets)  $\Rightarrow$  **implicit** surface terms
- **Semi-classical** model  $\Rightarrow$  **no shell effects** but reproduction of **experimental** values ( $\sqrt{\langle r_p^2 \rangle}$ , B/A) and **ground state** properties

# Dipole oscillations and response functions

- Instantaneous ground-state perturbation:

$$\hat{V}_K^{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \eta_K \delta(t - t_0) \hat{D}_K(\mathbf{r}) \quad K = S, V$$

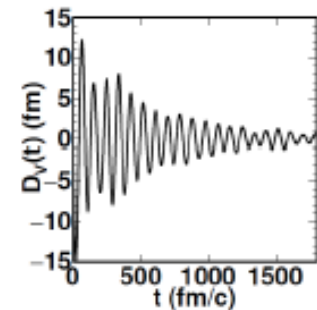
$$\Rightarrow |\Phi_0\rangle \rightarrow |\Phi_K(t_0)\rangle = e^{i\eta_K \hat{D}_K} |\Phi_0\rangle$$

- Isoscalar (IS) or isovector (IV) dipole operator:

$$\hat{D}_S = \sum_i \left( r_i^2 - \frac{5}{3} \langle r^2 \rangle \right) z_i, \quad \hat{D}_V = \sum_i \tau_i \frac{N}{A} z_i - (1 - \tau_i) \frac{Z}{A} z_i, \quad \tau_i = 0 (1) \text{ for n (p)}$$

- Dynamical evolution of the excitation:  $D_K(t) = \langle \Phi_K(t) | \hat{D}_K | \Phi_K(t) \rangle$
- Strength function:  $S_K(E) = \sum_n |\langle n | \hat{D}_K | 0 \rangle|^2 \delta(E - (E_n - E_0))$

$$S_K(E) = \frac{\text{Im } D_k(E)}{\pi \eta_k} \quad D_k(E) \text{ Fourier Transform of } D_k(t)$$



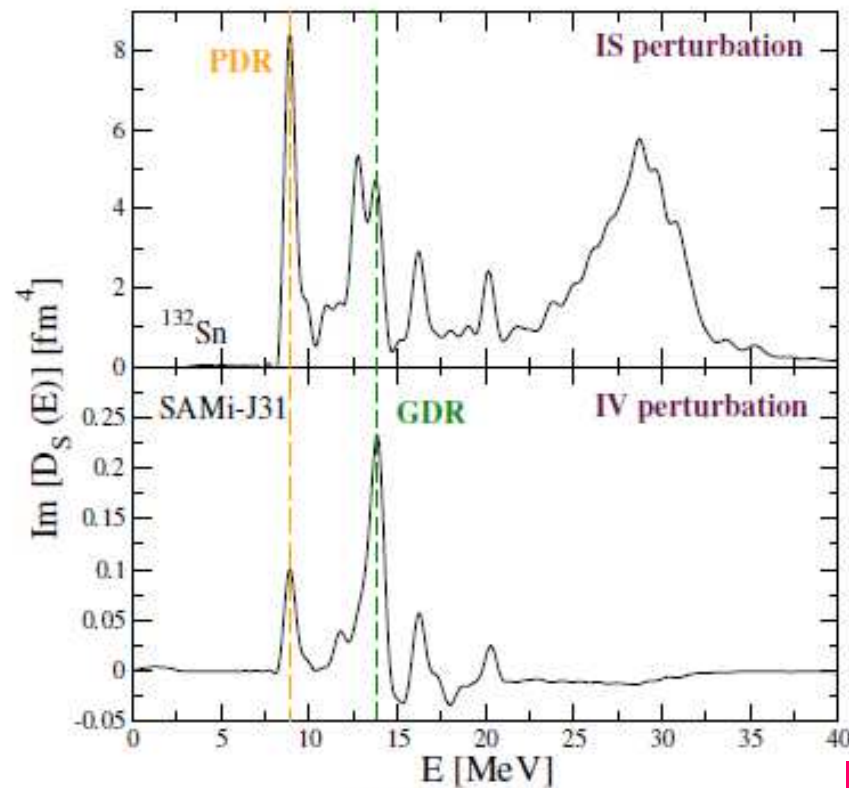
- Three regions of A:  $^{68}\text{Ni}$  (N/Z = 1.43),  $^{132}\text{Sn}$  (N/Z = 1.64),  $^{208}\text{Pb}$  (N/Z = 1.54)

# Coupling between IS and IV modes

TDHF results

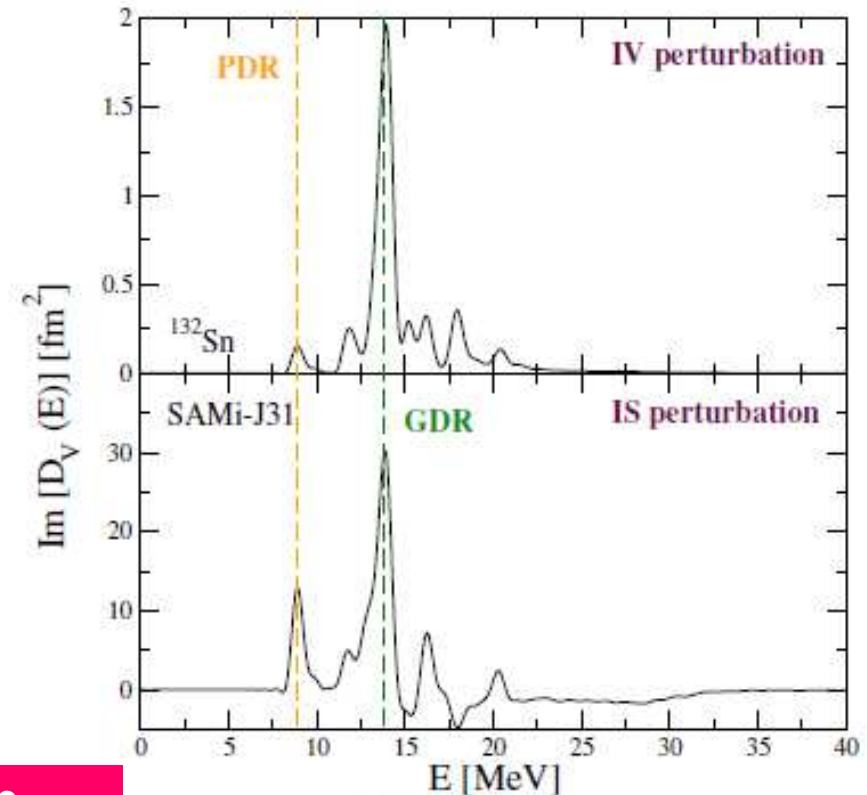
Skyrme interaction SAMi-J31

- **Symmetric** nuclear matter: **IS** and **IV** modes are **decoupled**
- **Neutron-rich** systems: n and p oscillate with **different amplitudes**  $\Rightarrow$  **coupling**



IS response

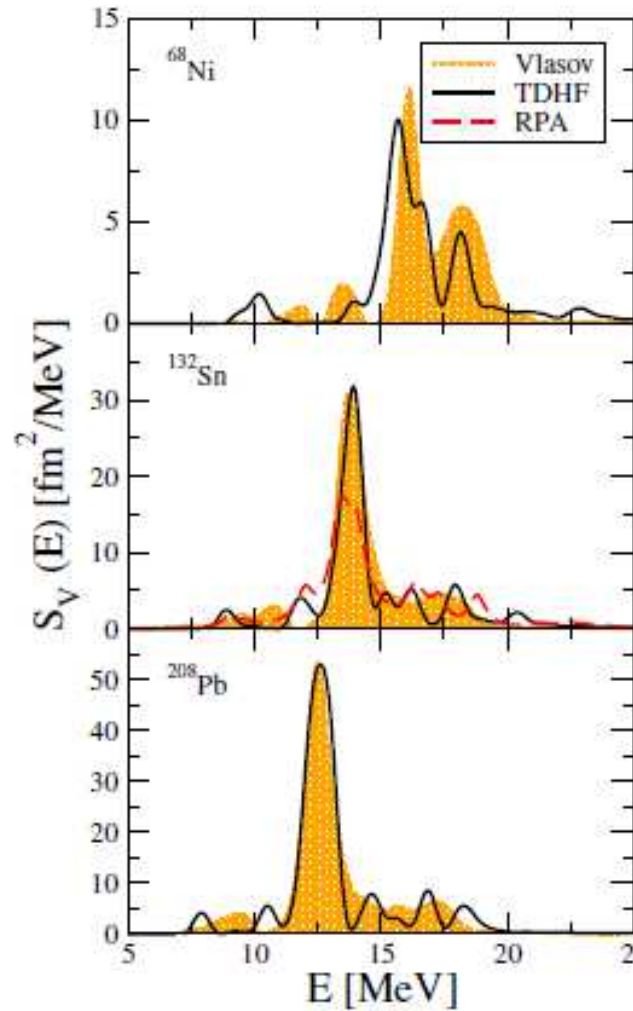
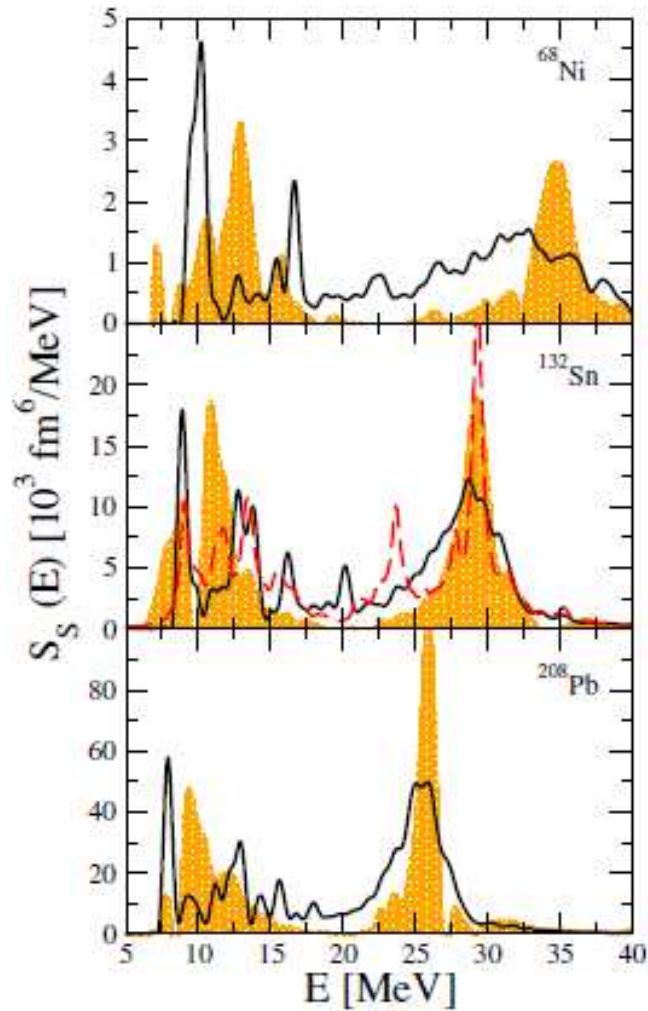
$^{132}\text{Sn}$



IV response

# Classical vs quantal results

Skyrme interaction SAMi-J31



## IS response:

- two main low-energy regions (surface modes)
- ISGDR

## IV response:

- two main low-energy modes
- IVGDR (Goldhaber-Teller)
- IV Steinwedel-Jensen

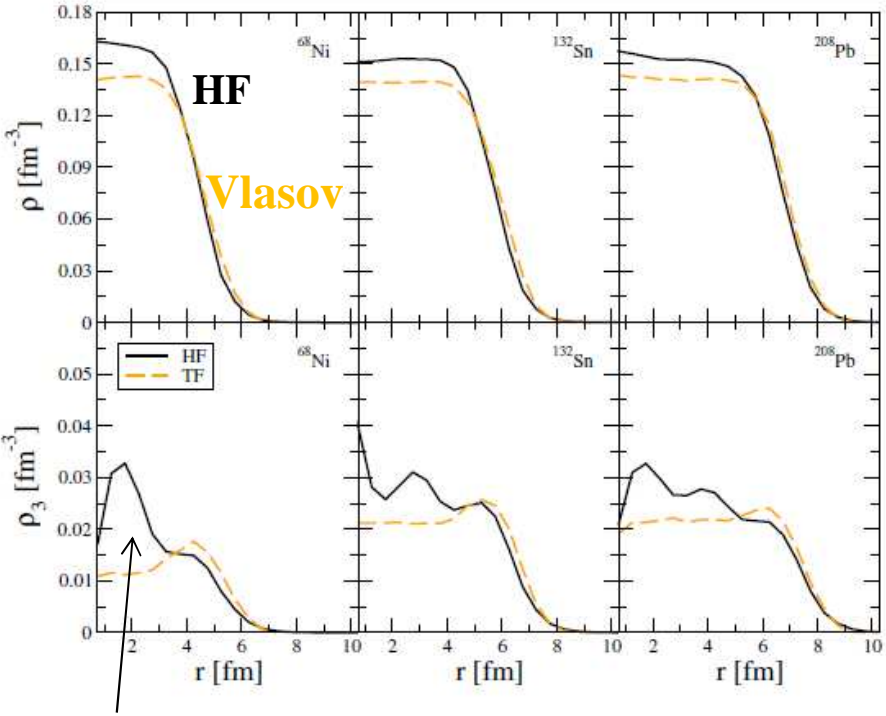


# Classical vs quantal results

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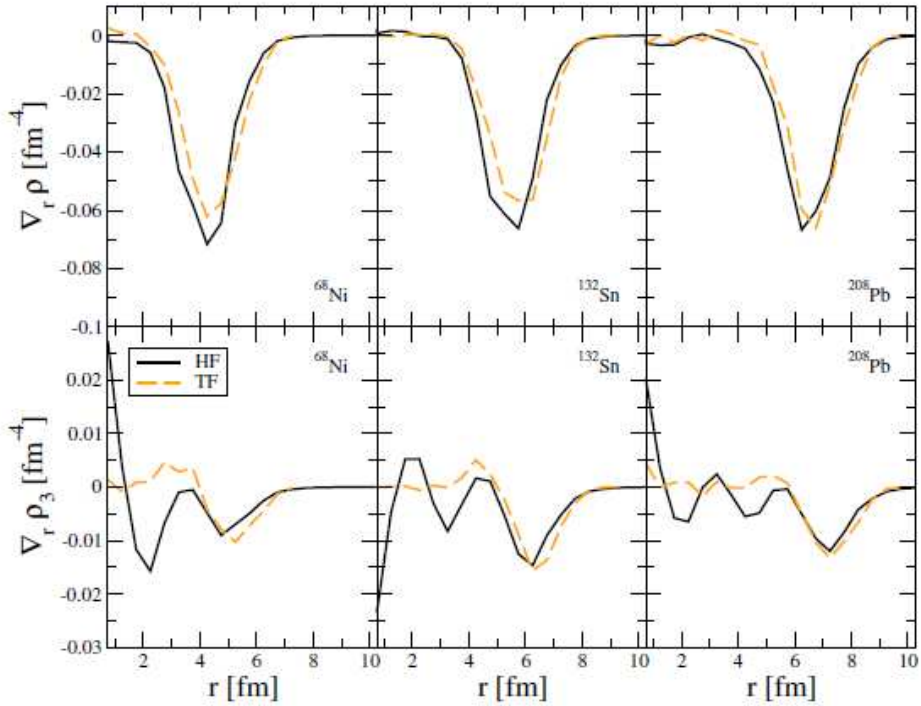
## IS and IV density profile

- Differences in energy of the surface modes (TDHF vs Vlasov) could be associated with the different density profile

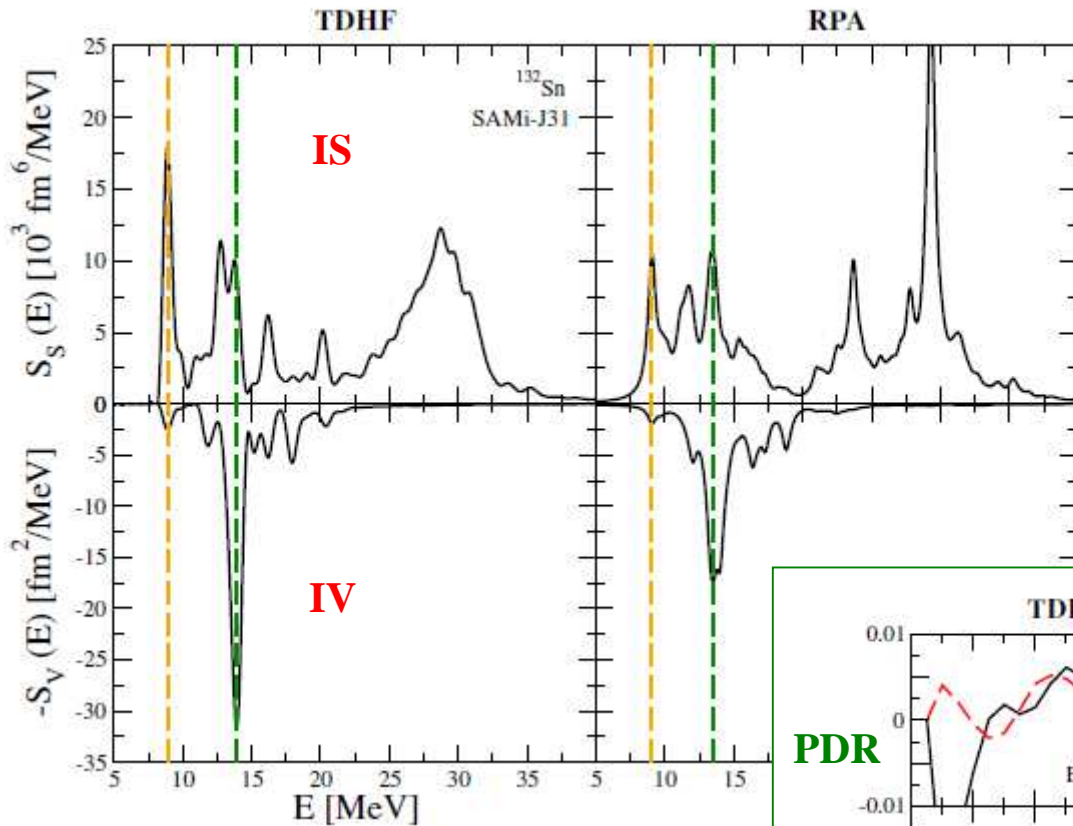


Shell effects

- IS and IV density gradients :**
- Larger gradients at the surface in the Vlasov case  
 → Larger (smaller) frequency of the first (second) surface mode



# Structure of modes: transition densities

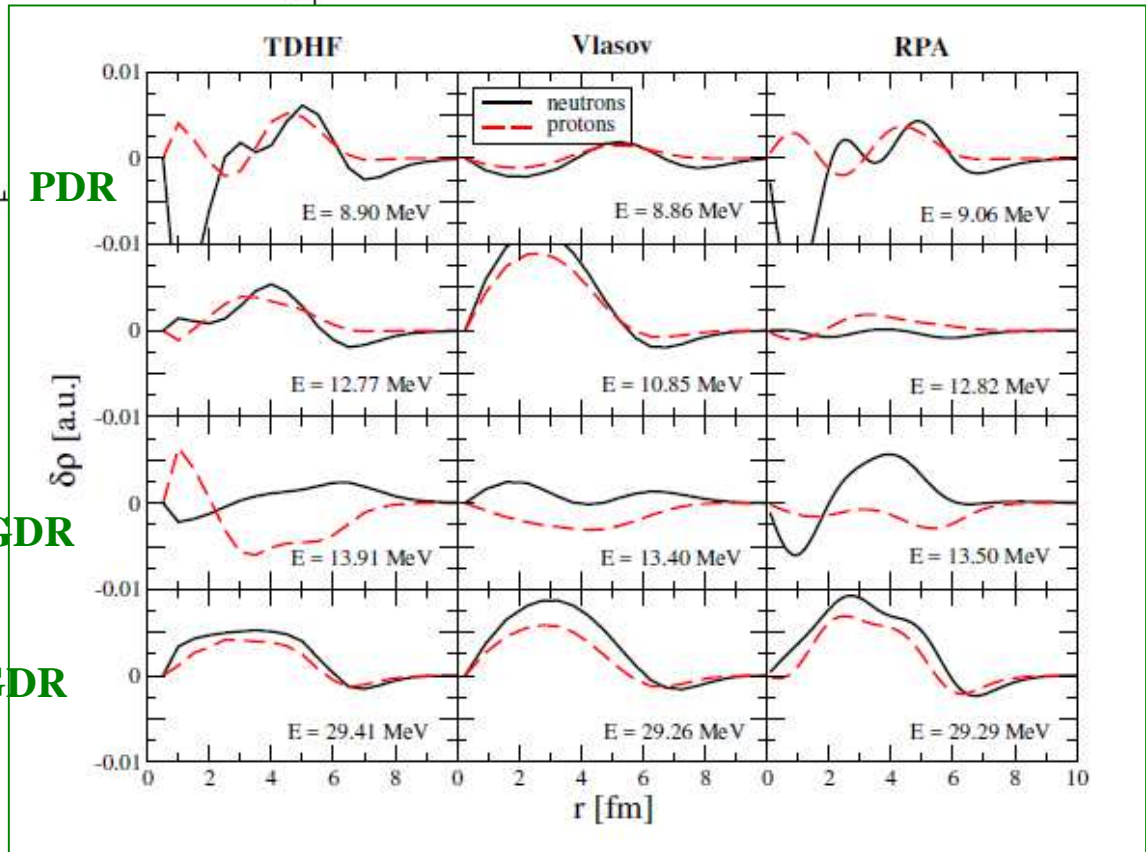


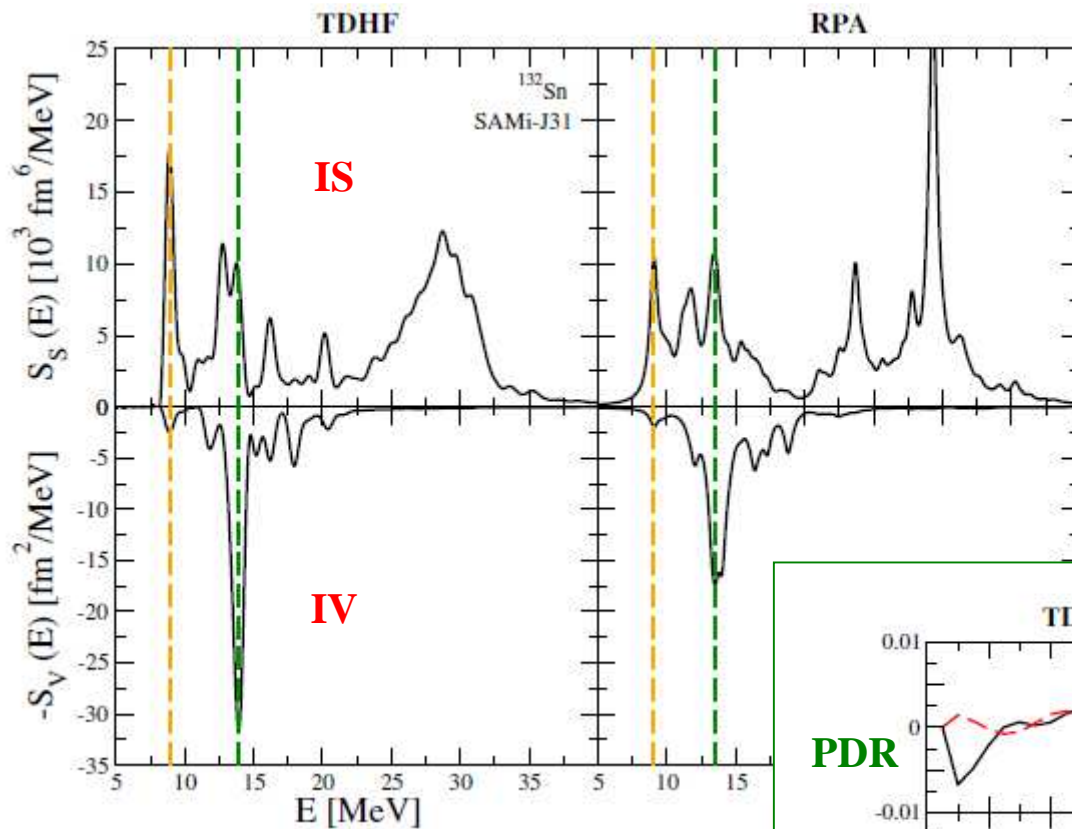
$$\delta\rho_q(r, E) \propto \int_{t_0}^{\infty} dt \delta\rho_q(r, t) \sin \frac{Et}{\hbar}$$

Transition densities:  
main peaks of the IS response

$^{132}\text{Sn}$

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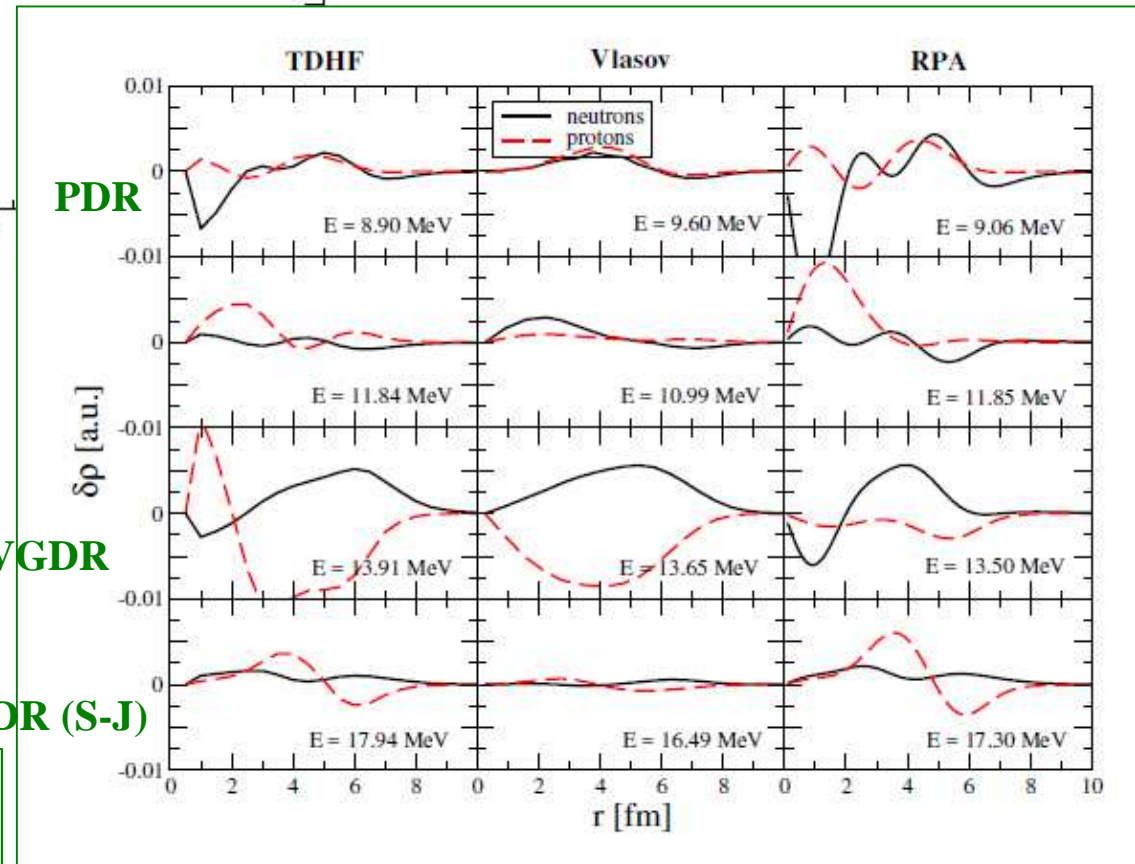
Transition densities:  
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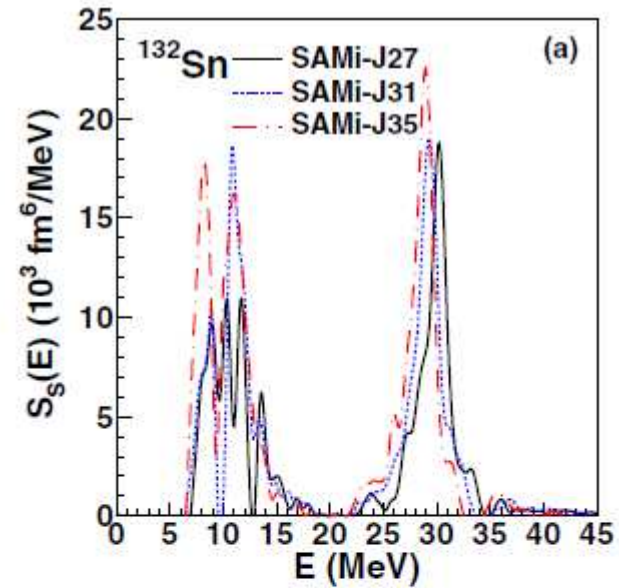
IVGDR

IVGDR (S-J)

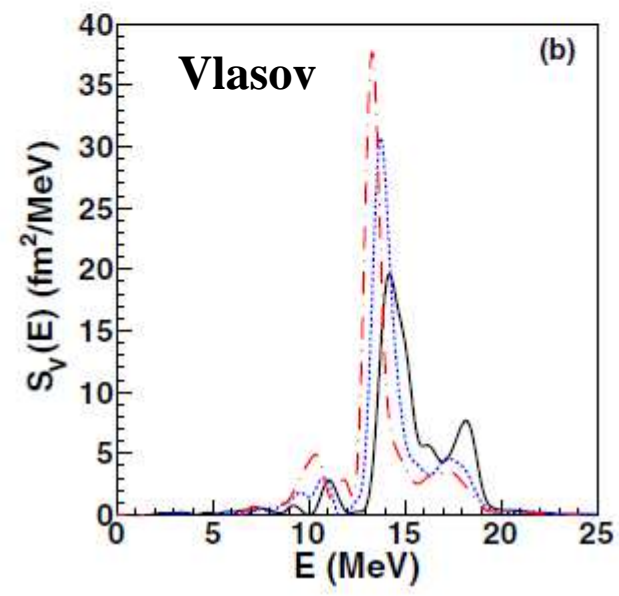
**PDR** and **IVGDR** TD  
are the same for IS and IV excitations !



# PDR and symmetry energy



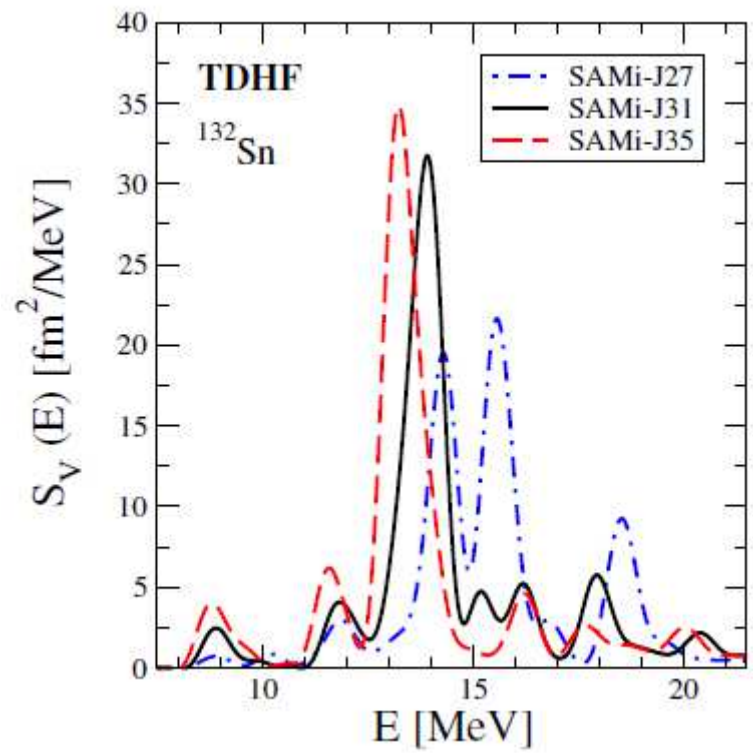
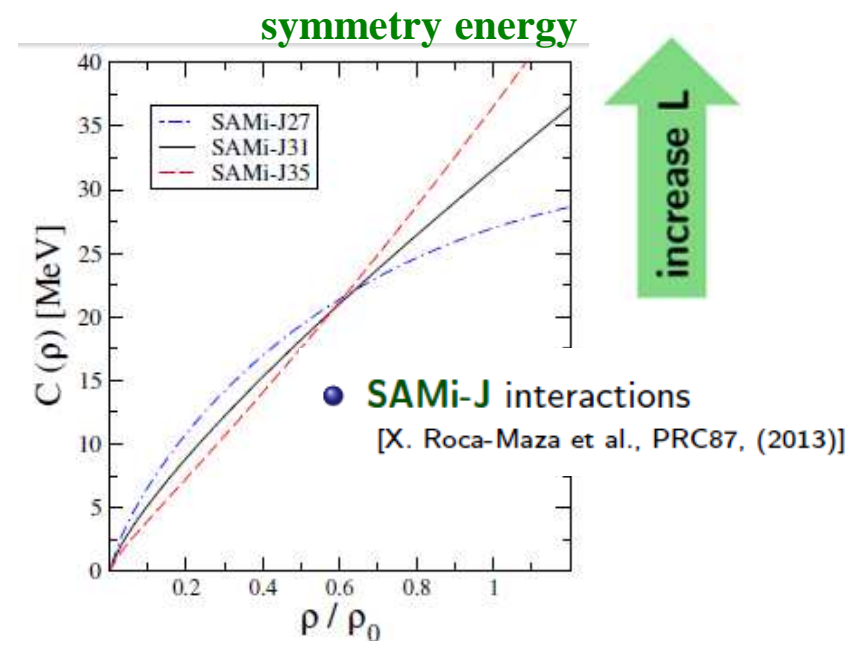
IS response



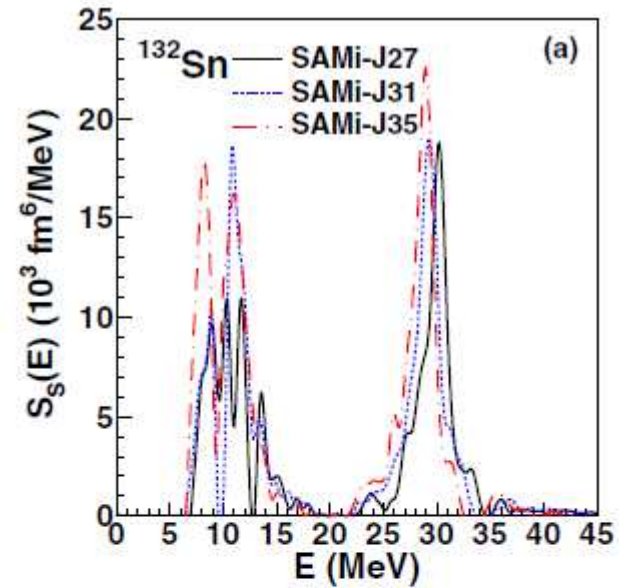
**$^{132}\text{Sn}$**

IV response

*S. Burrello et al.* PHYSICAL REVIEW C 94, 014313 (2016)

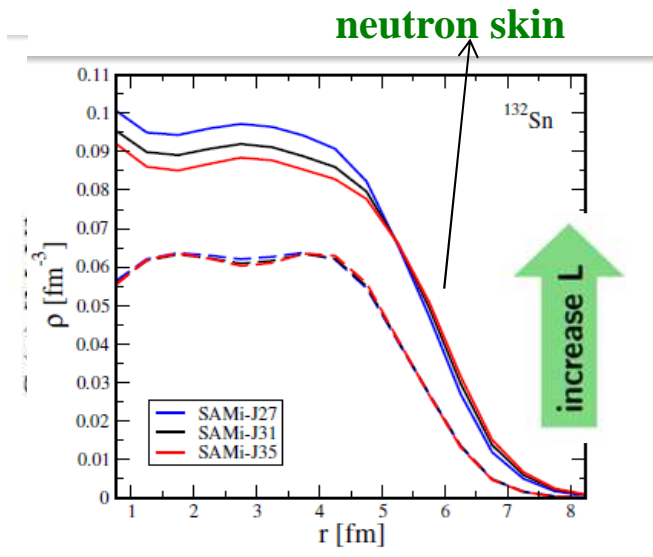


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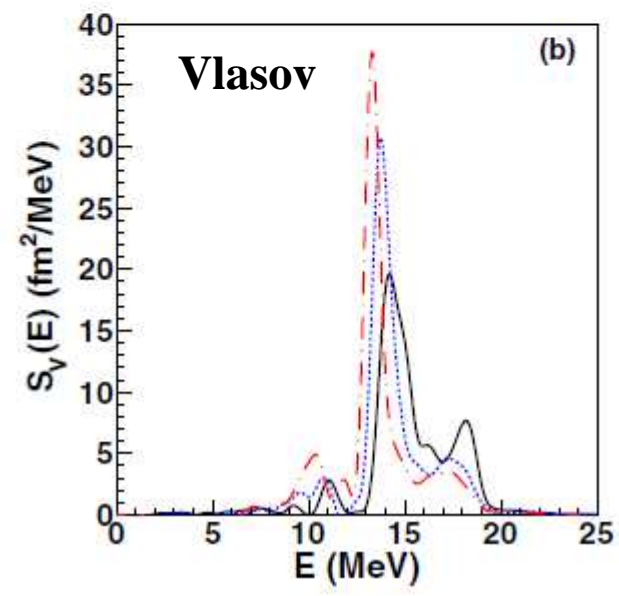


**<sup>132</sup>Sn**

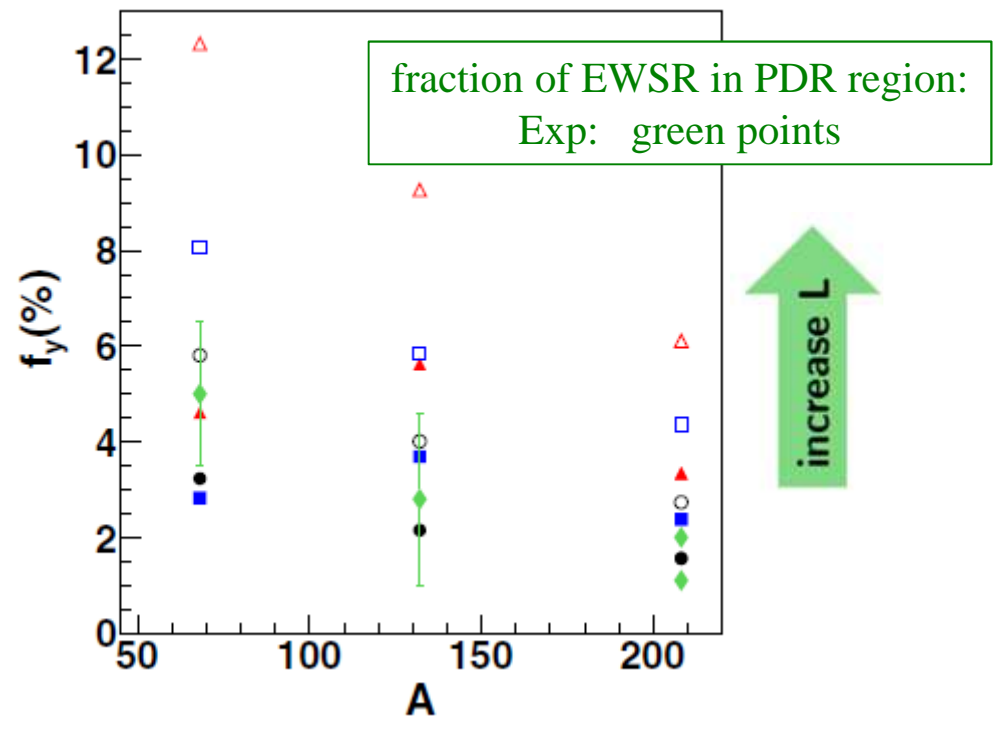
IS response



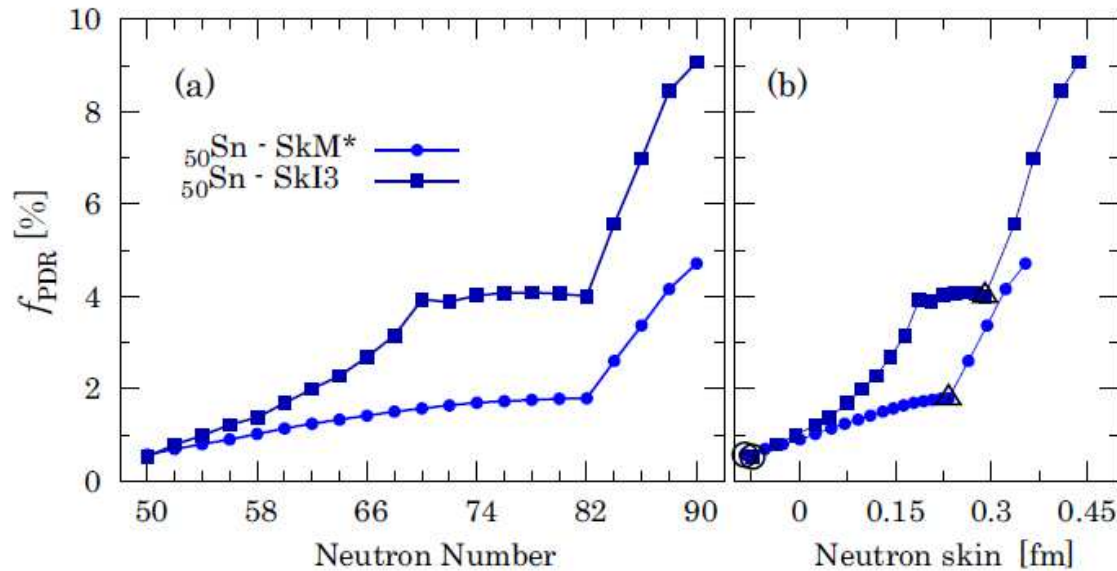
(2013)]



IV res



# Strength of PDR vs N/Z and neutron skin

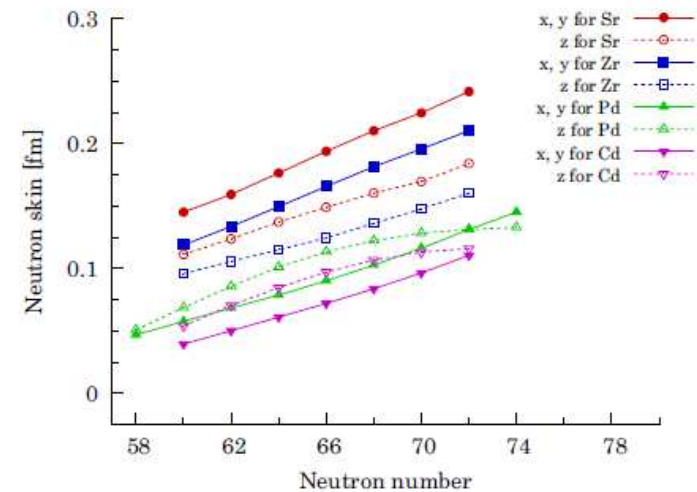


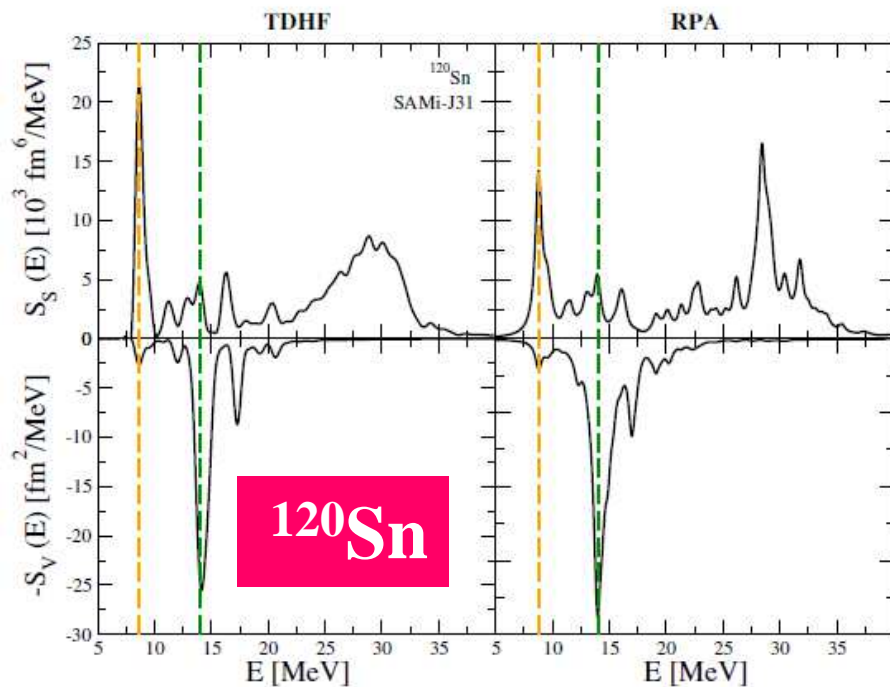
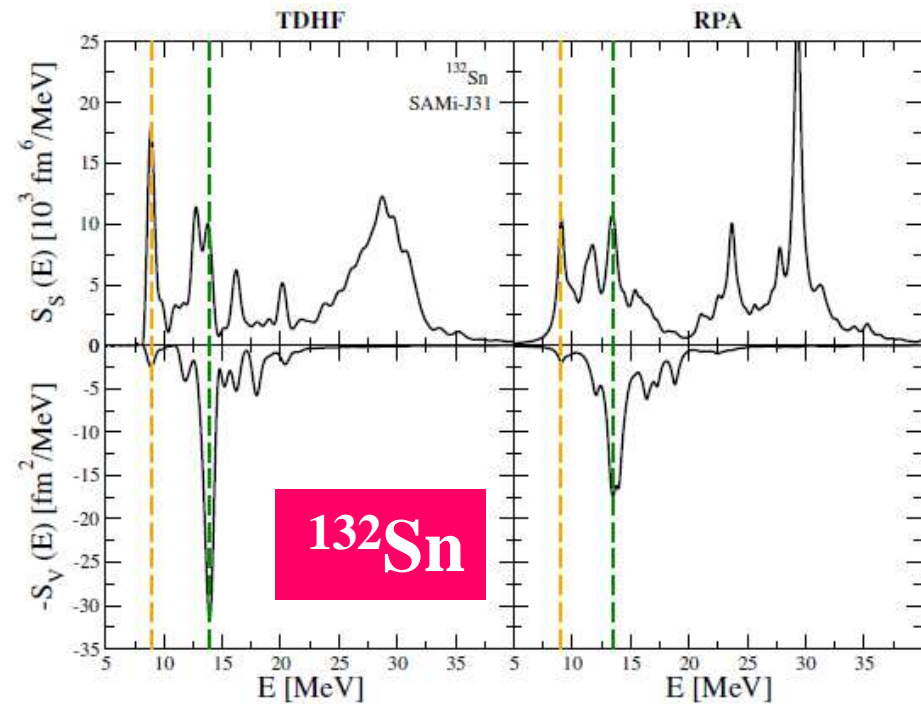
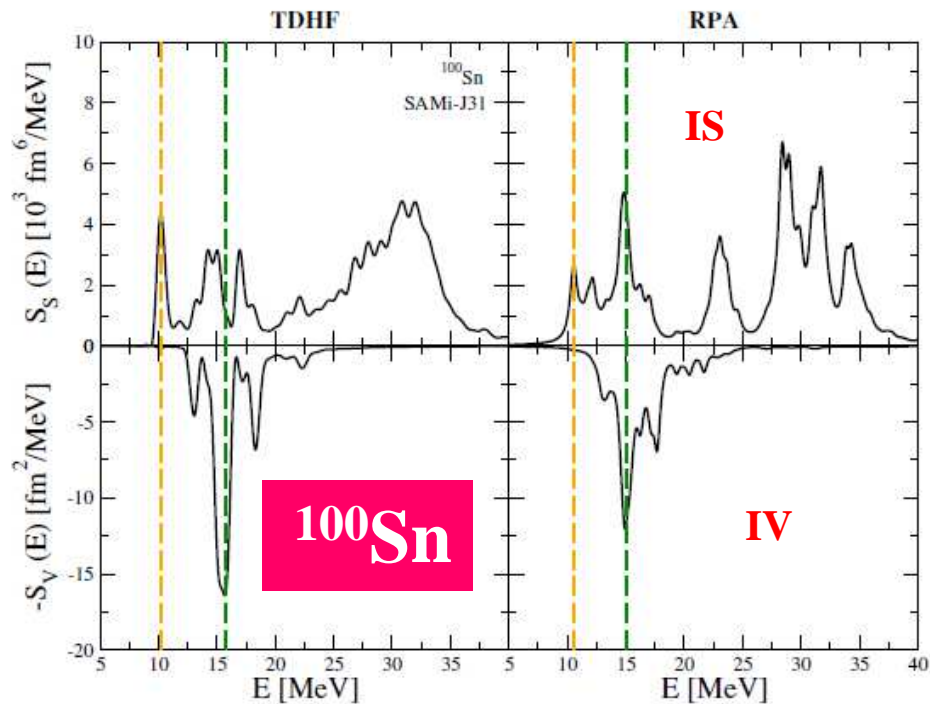
*S.Ebata et al.* TDHFB calculations

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- The neutron skin thickness increases with N/Z
- The EWSR exhausted by PDR does not !
- Shell effects ?

➡ Look also at the IS response which is sensitive to surface details

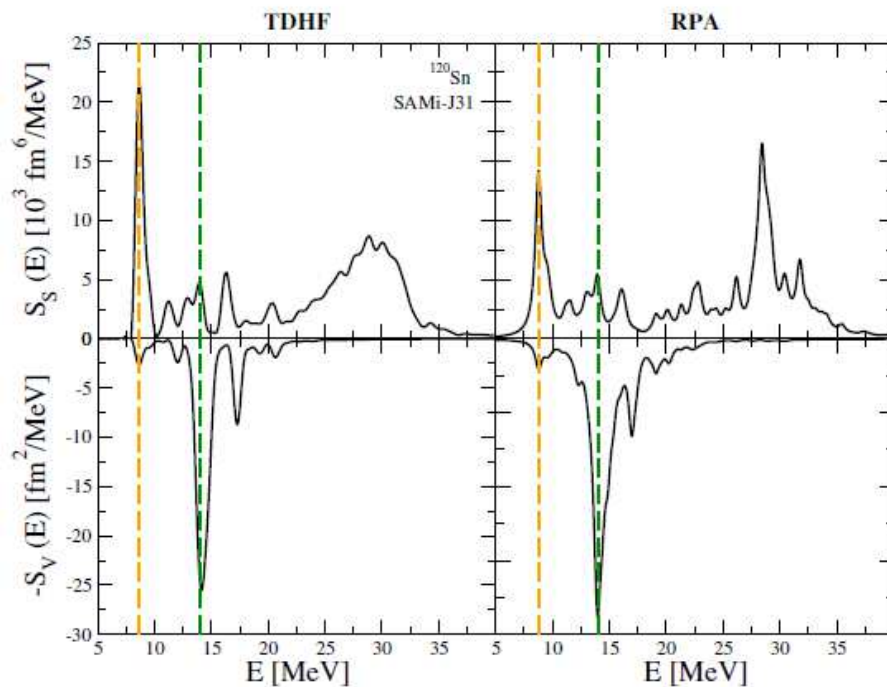
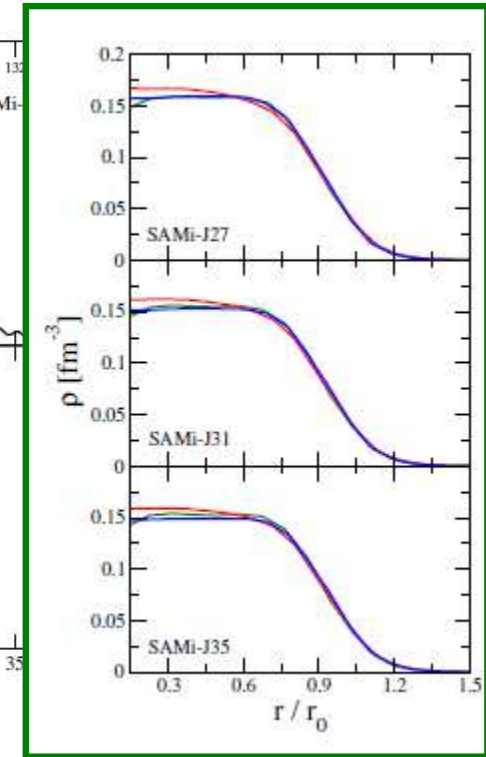
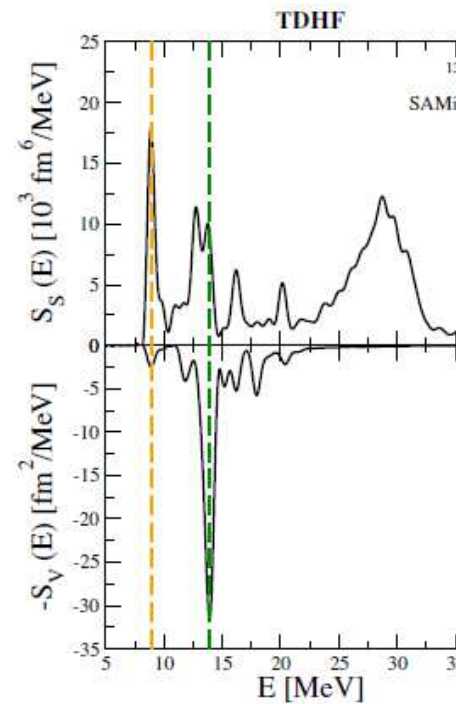
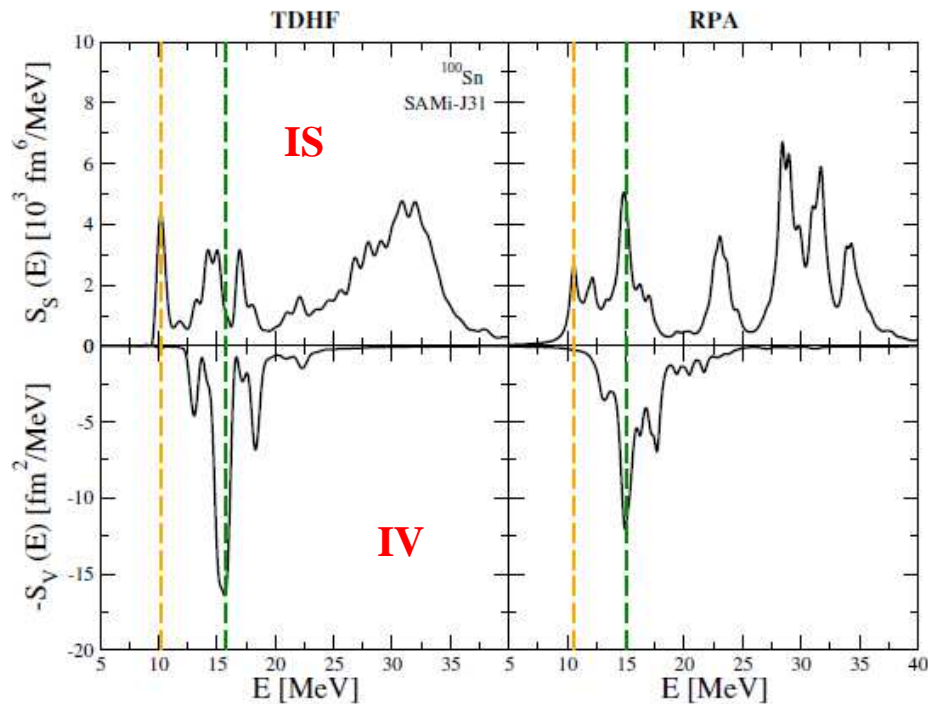




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- No PDR in  $^{100}\text{Sn}$
- The low energy IS surface mode is more robust in  $^{120}\text{Sn}$

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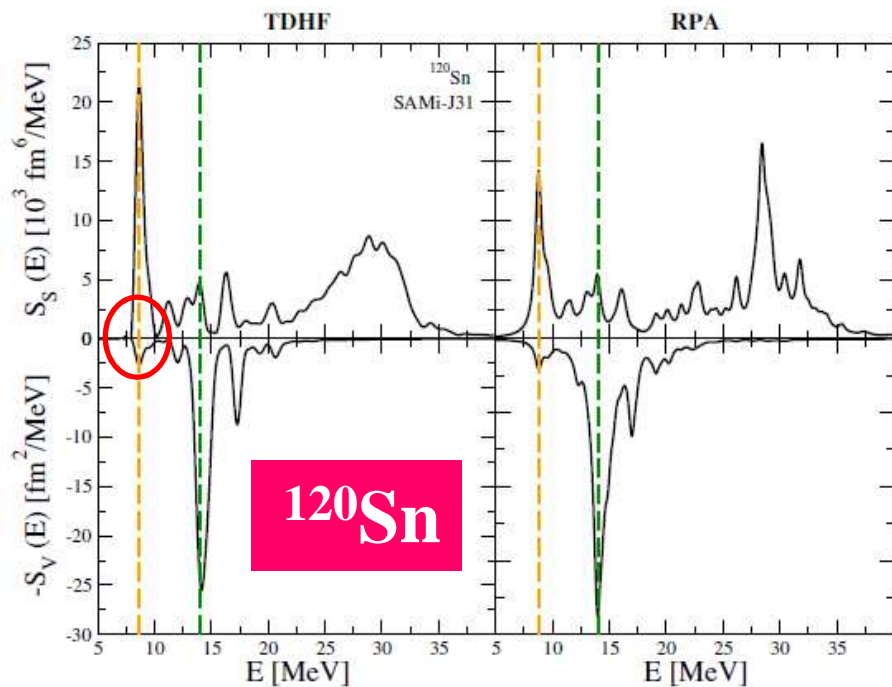
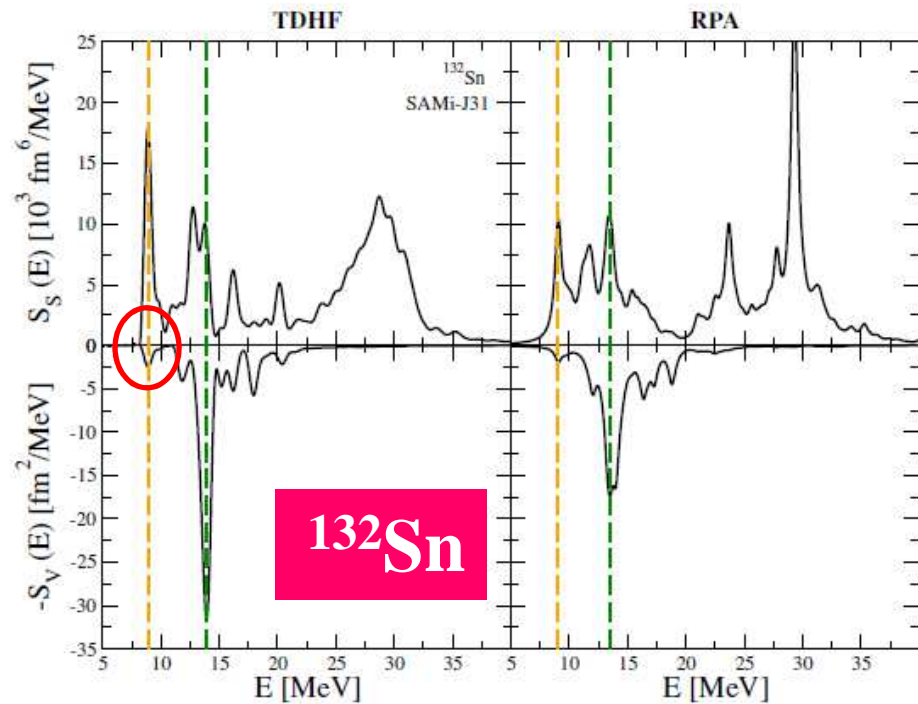
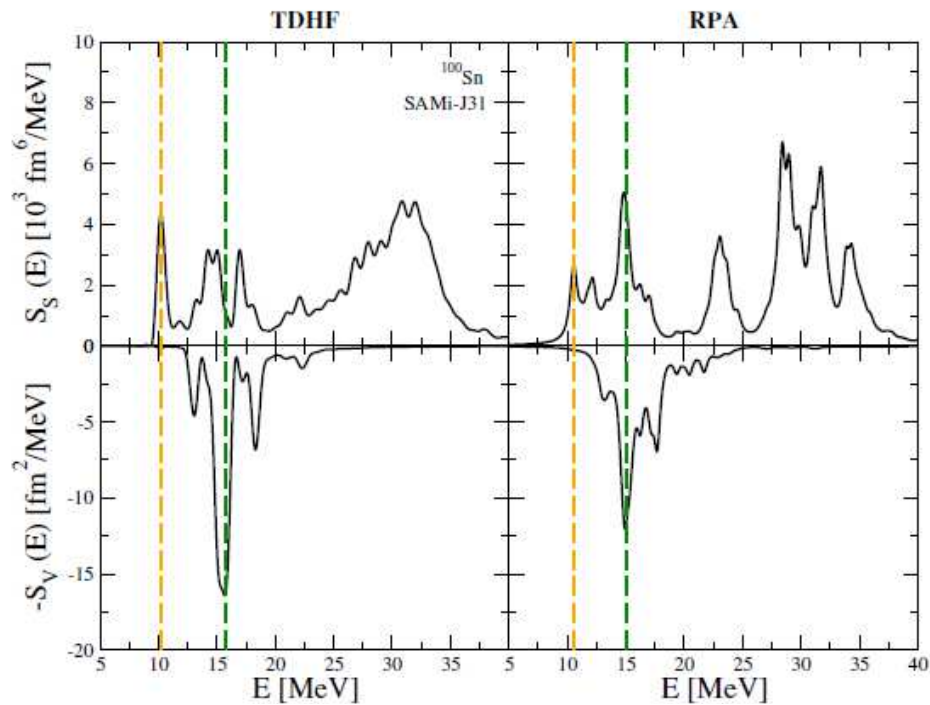


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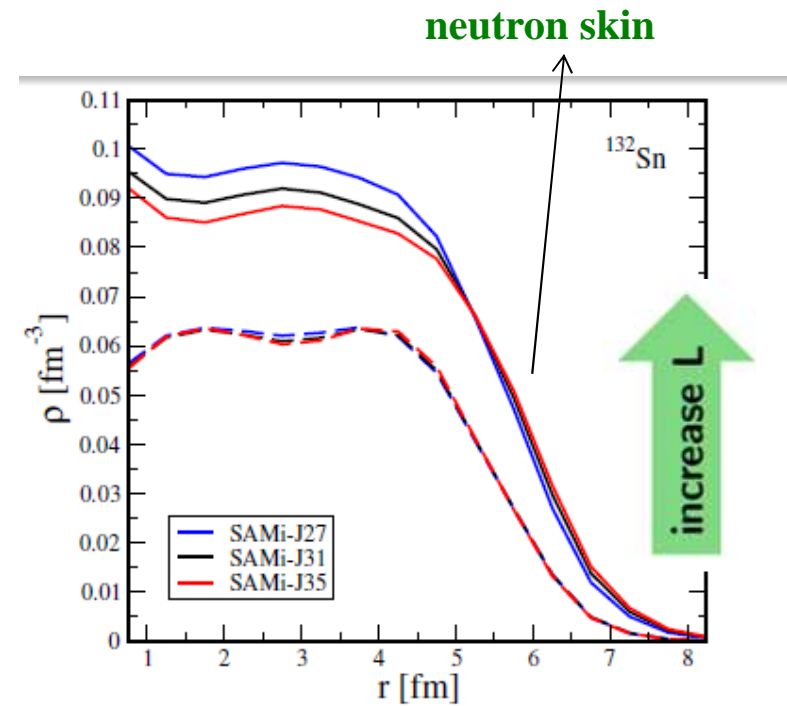
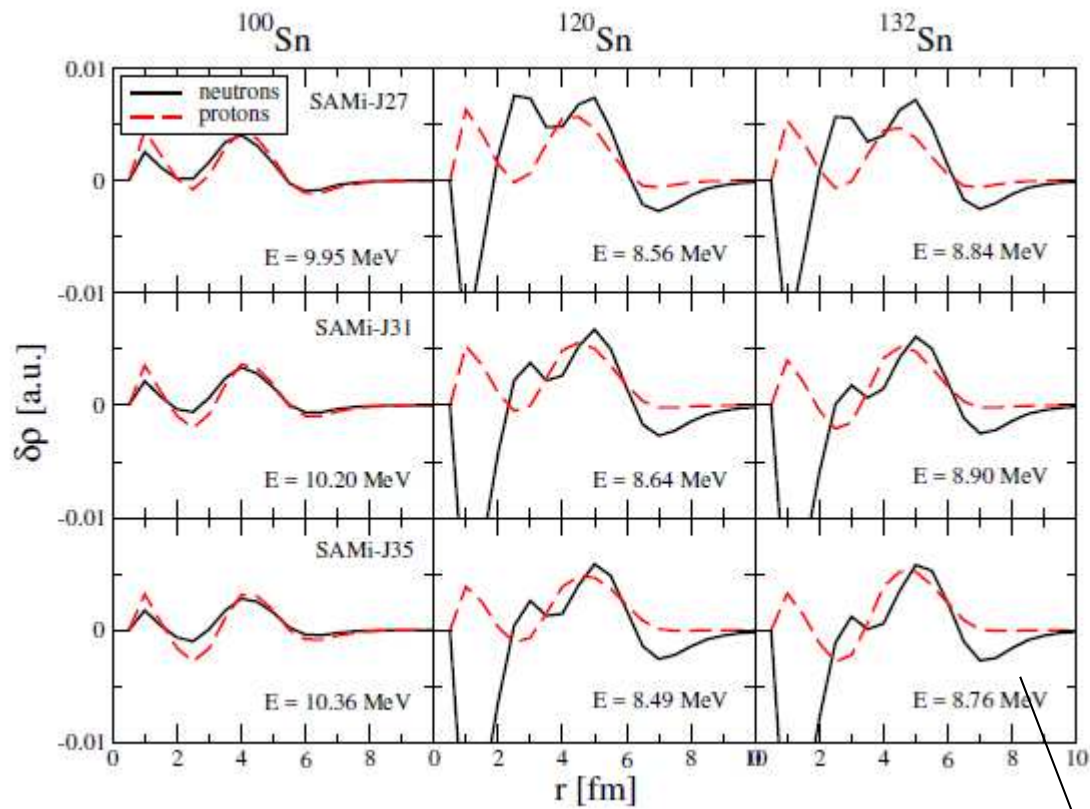


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→ The ratio IV/IS strength could be a better indicator

# Structure of modes: PDR transition densities



THDF results (from IS excitation)

Wider neutron oscillation  
at the surface with SAMi-J35  
(thicker neutron skin)

$^{132}\text{Sn}$

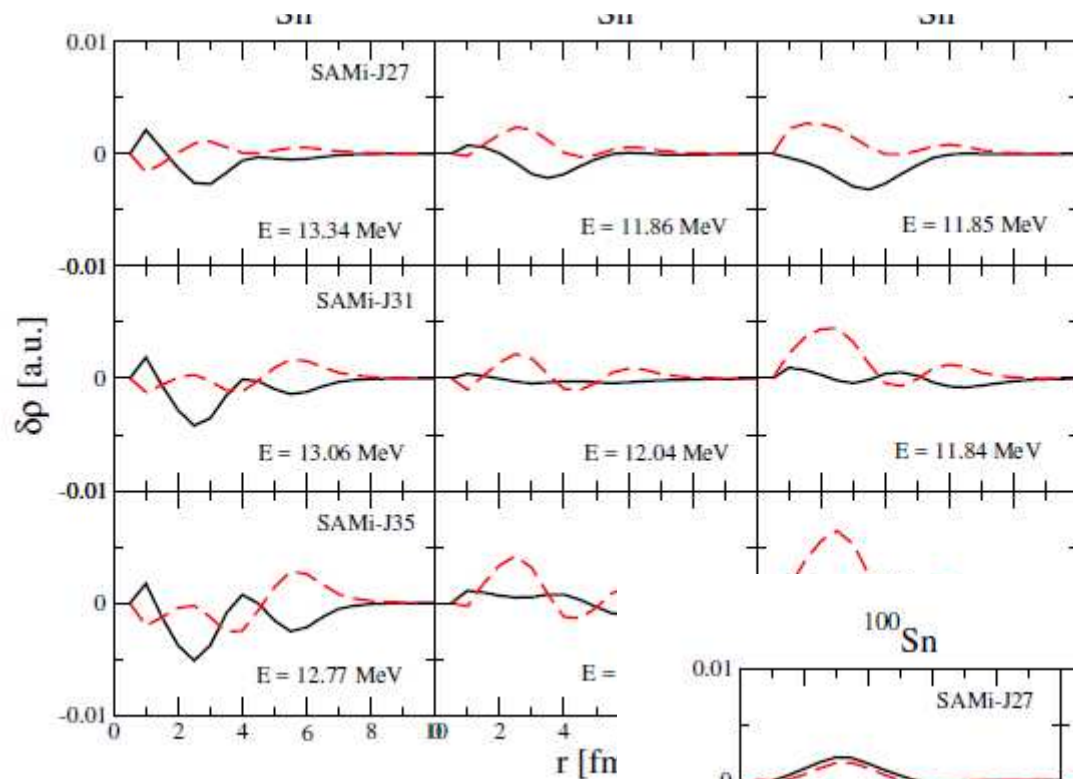
## □ Conclusions

➤ Nuclear excitations in n-rich systems:

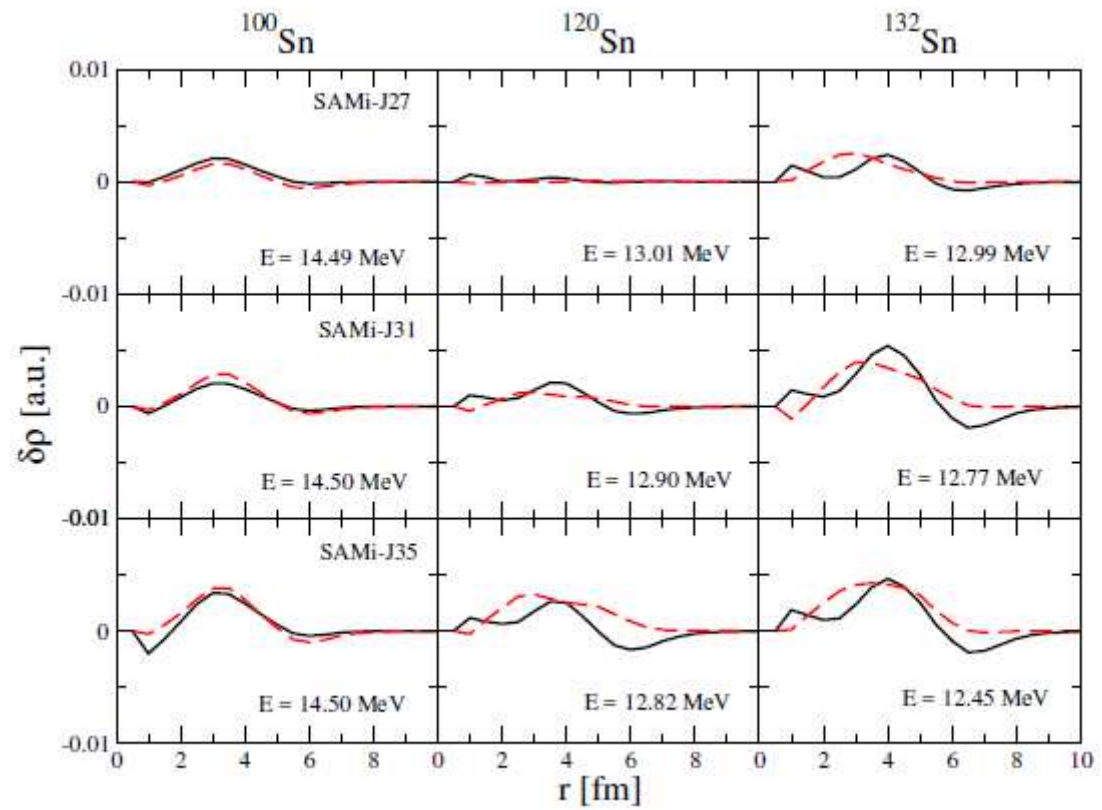
A way to constrain the nuclear effective interaction.

→ IV response sensitive to symmetry energy details

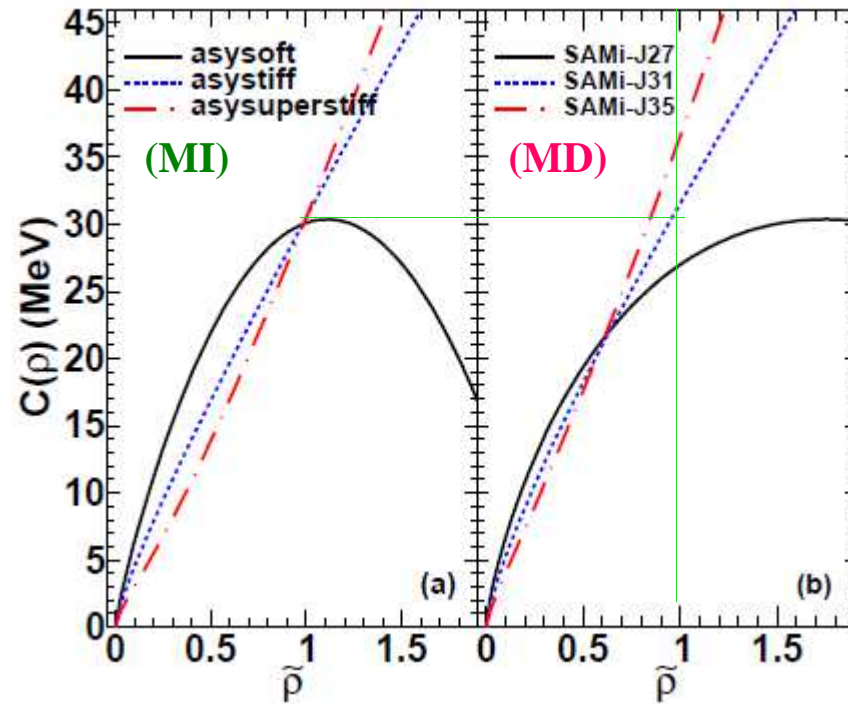
- the dipole response can be understood at a semi-classical level but shell effects may influence the initial density profile (surface modes sensitive to it)
- in neutron-rich systems the IV response cannot be understood without considering also the IS response:  
isoscalar-isovector coupling --- the PDR is an isoscalar-like mode
- the PDR strength is related to the neutron skin and to the symmetry energy slope  $L$



**TDHF**  
**Second IV and IS peak**

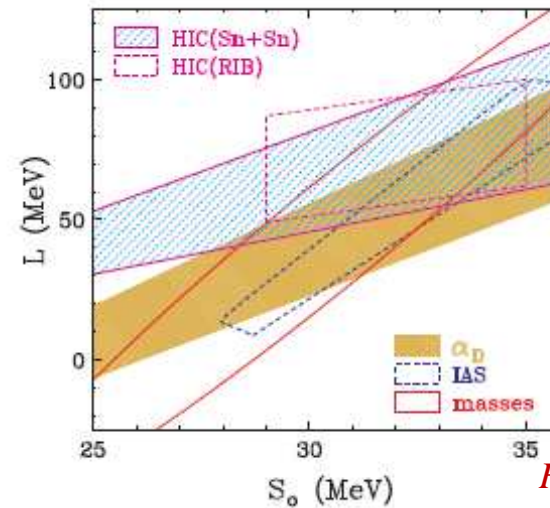


## More refined calculations: a bidimensional $E_{sym}$ analysis



$$E_{sym}(\rho) = S_0 + L \frac{\rho - \rho_0}{3\rho_0} + \dots$$

or  $J$  around normal density



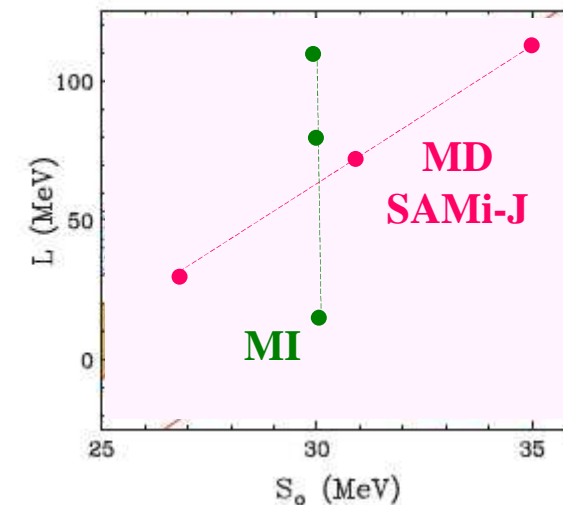
*Horowitz et al.,  
JPG 41,093001 (2014)*

### *SAMi-J interactions:*

Skyrme interactions  
especially devised to improve the spin-isospin  
properties of nuclei

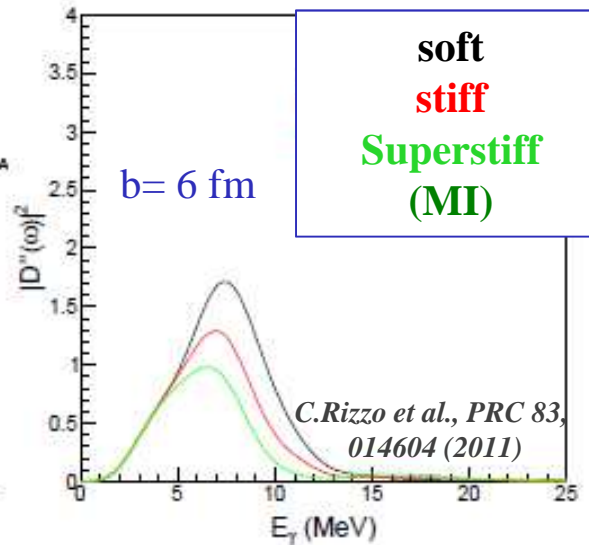
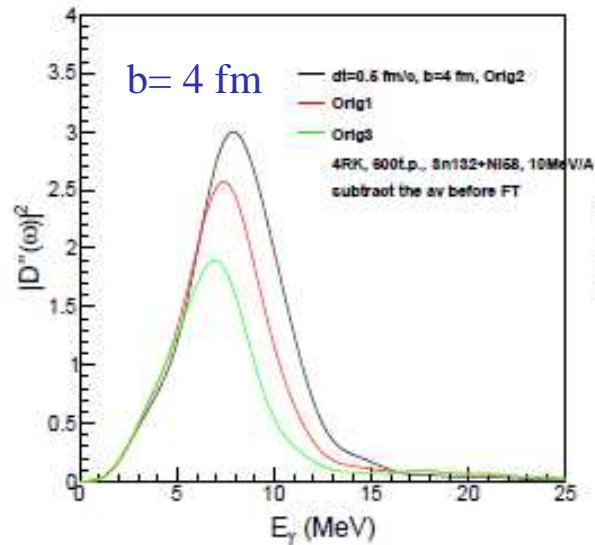
X. Roca-Maza, G. Colò, H. Sagawa, Phys. Rev. C **86**,  
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$S_0 - L$  correlation

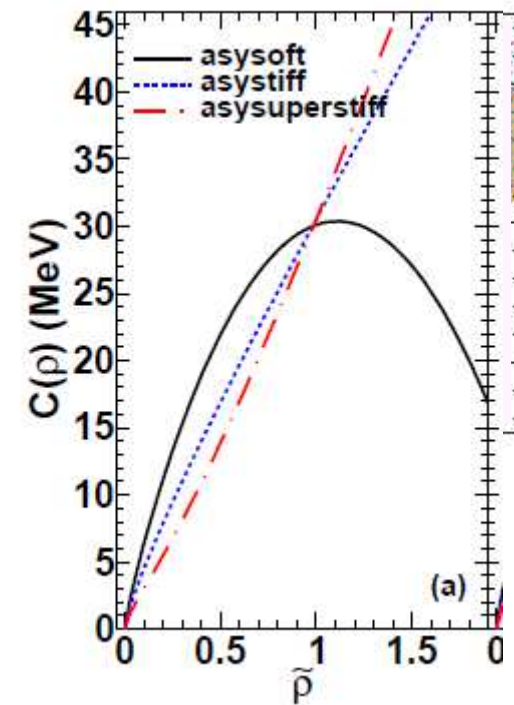


# The pre-equilibrium dipole strength

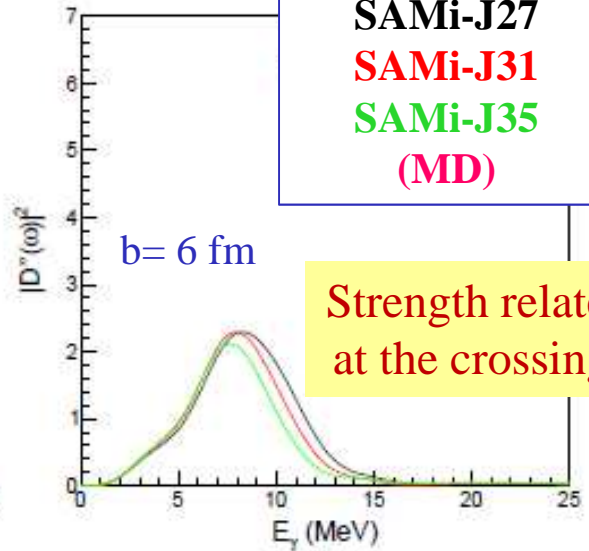
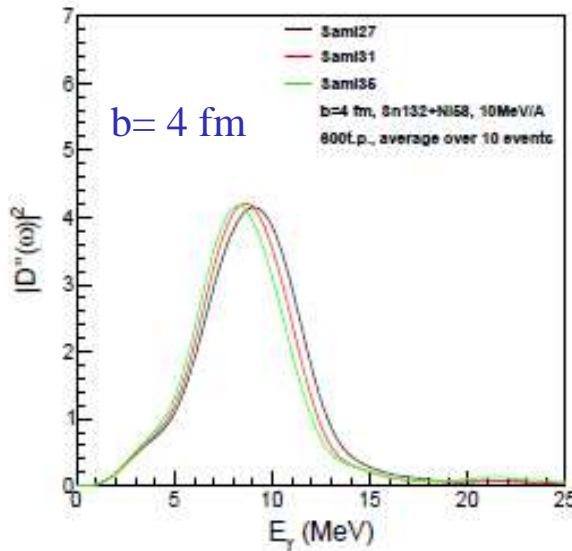
$^{132}\text{Sn} + ^{58}\text{Ni}$ , 10 MeV/A



soft  
stiff  
Superstiff  
(MI)

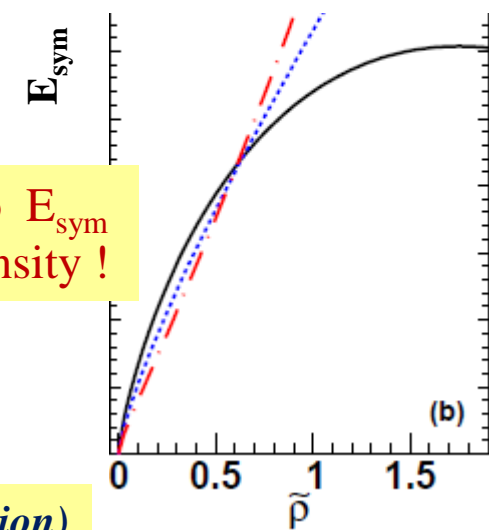


➤ DD sensitive to  $E_{\text{sym}}$  below normal density



SAMi-J27  
SAMi-J31  
SAMi-J35  
(MD)

Strength related to  $E_{\text{sym}}$  at the crossing density !

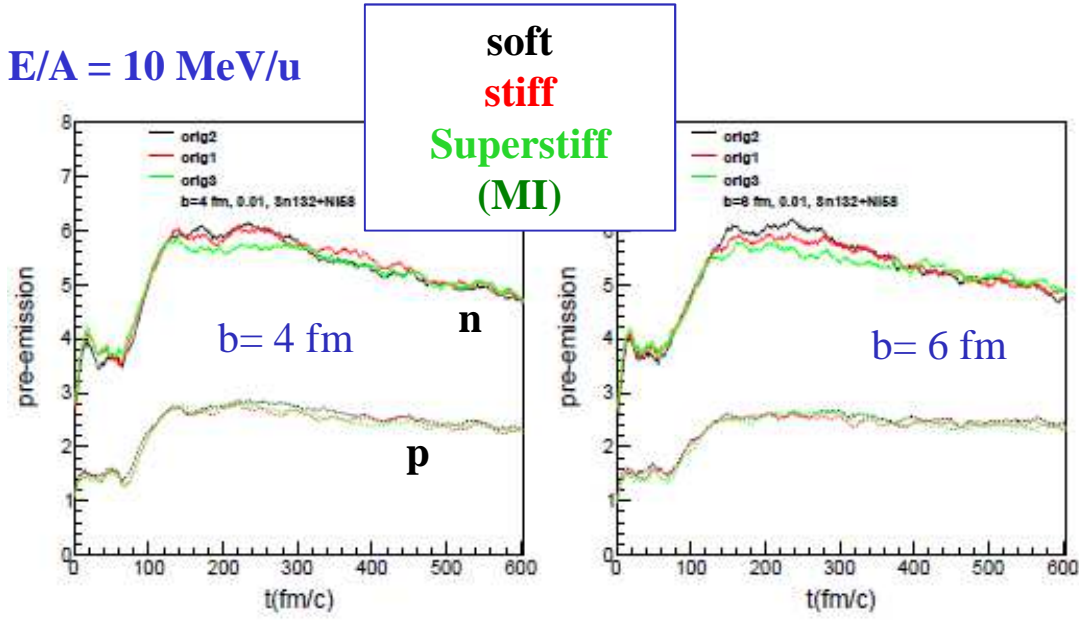
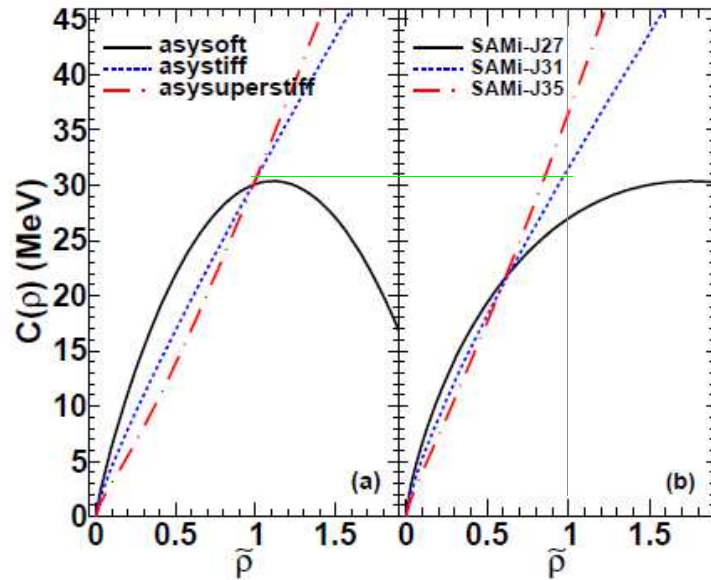


$^{132}\text{Sn} + ^{58}\text{Ni}$ ,  $E/A = 10$  MeV/u

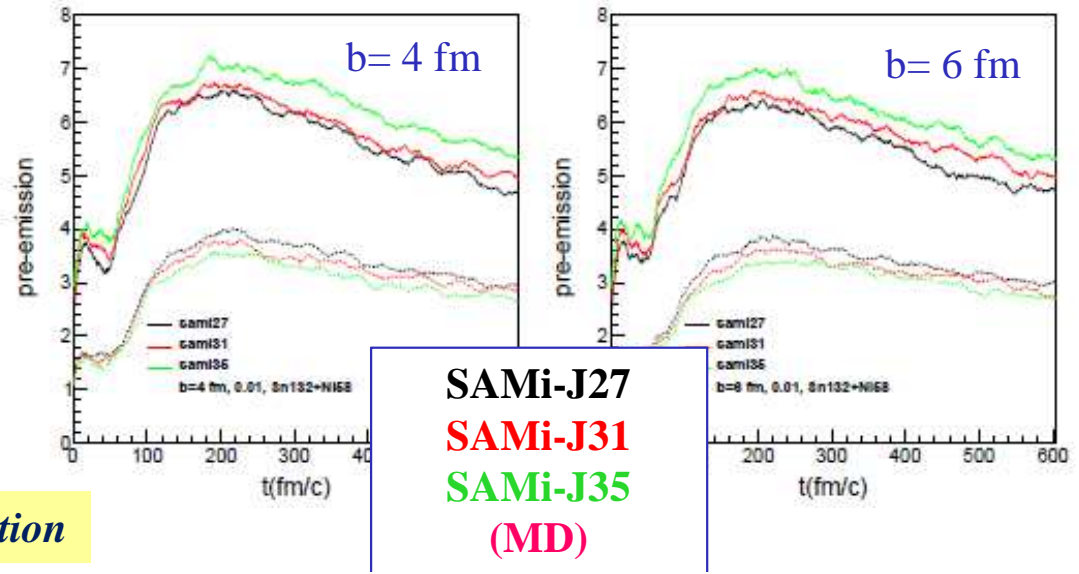
(free n-n cross section)

# $E_{sym}$ effects on pre-equilibrium particle emission

$^{132}\text{Sn} + ^{58}\text{Ni}$ ,  $E/A = 10$  MeV/u



Number of nucleons in regions with density  $\rho < 0.01 \text{ fm}^{-3}$



- Particle emission looks sensitive to  $E_{sym}$  close to normal density:
- $N/Z = 2.1$  SAMi-J35
- $N/Z = 1.6$  SAMi-J27
- (at  $t = 200$  fm/c)

600 test particles (t.p.), free n-n cross section

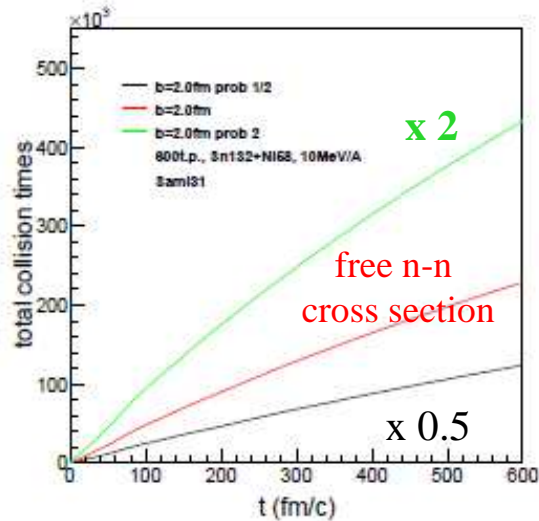
# Sensitivity of pre-equilibrium effects to n-n cross sections

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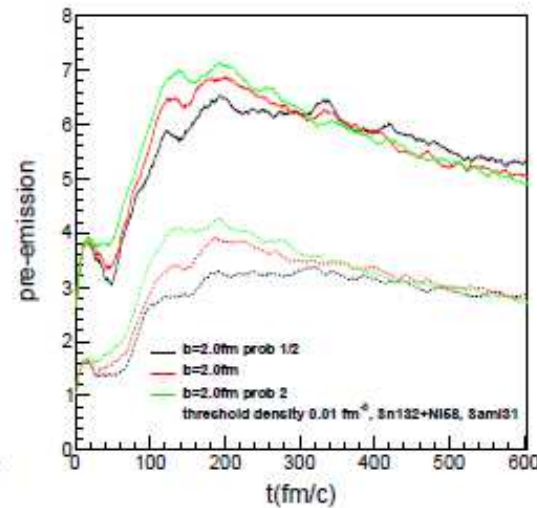
$b = 2$  fm

SAMi-J31 interaction

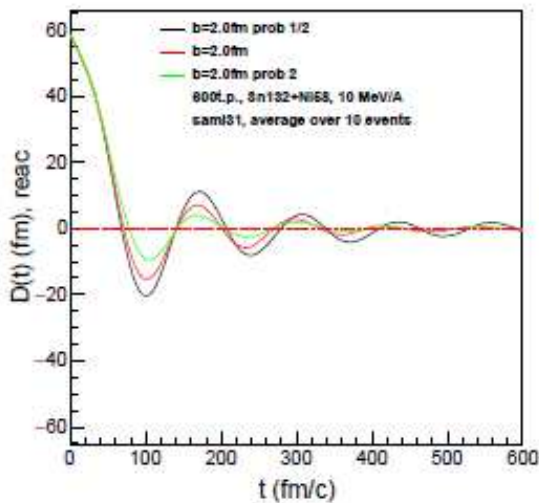
total t.p. collision number



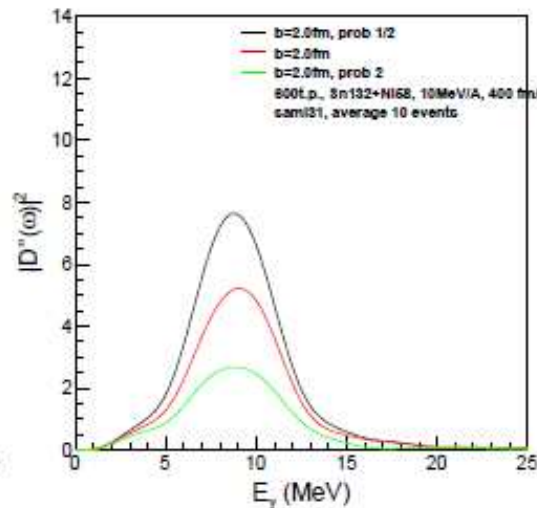
nucleons emitted



- enhanced nucleon emission for larger cross section, but the N/Z is not so sensitive !



dipole oscillations



DD strength

- small n-n cross section
  - larger damping time  $\tau$
  - larger DD strength

see energy-integrated yield

$$P_\gamma \sim \omega_0^3 \tau D(t_0)^2$$

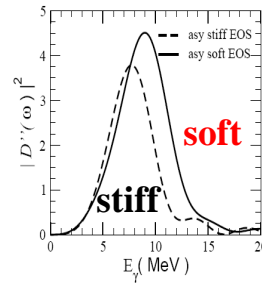


# Dynamical dipole (DD) emission and symmetry energy

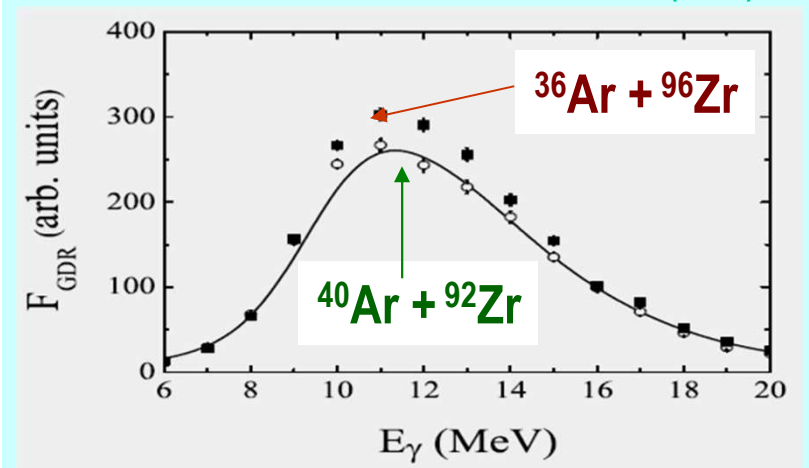
Bremsstrahlung:  
Quantitative estimation

V.Baran, D.M.Brink, M.Colonna, M.Di Toro, PRL.87 (2001)

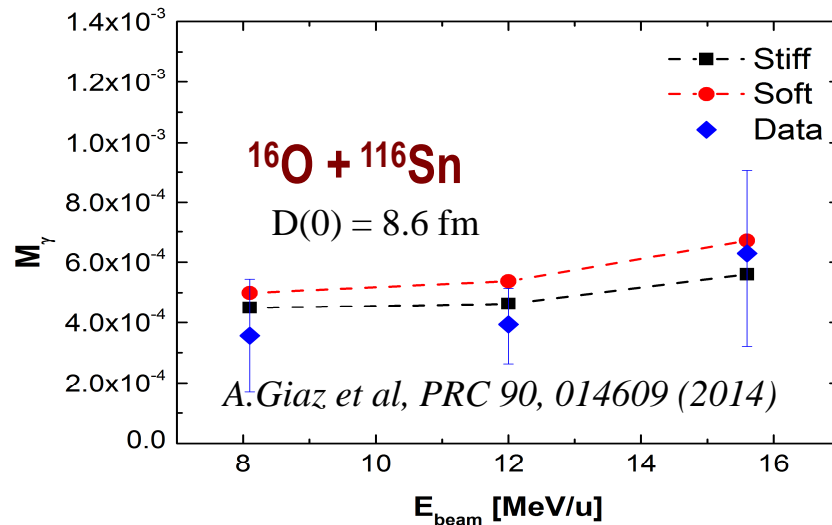
$$\frac{dP}{dE_\gamma} = \frac{2e^2}{3\pi\hbar c^3 E_\gamma} \left(\frac{NZ}{A}\right)^2 |X''(\omega)|^2$$



B.Martin et al., PLB 664 (2008) 47

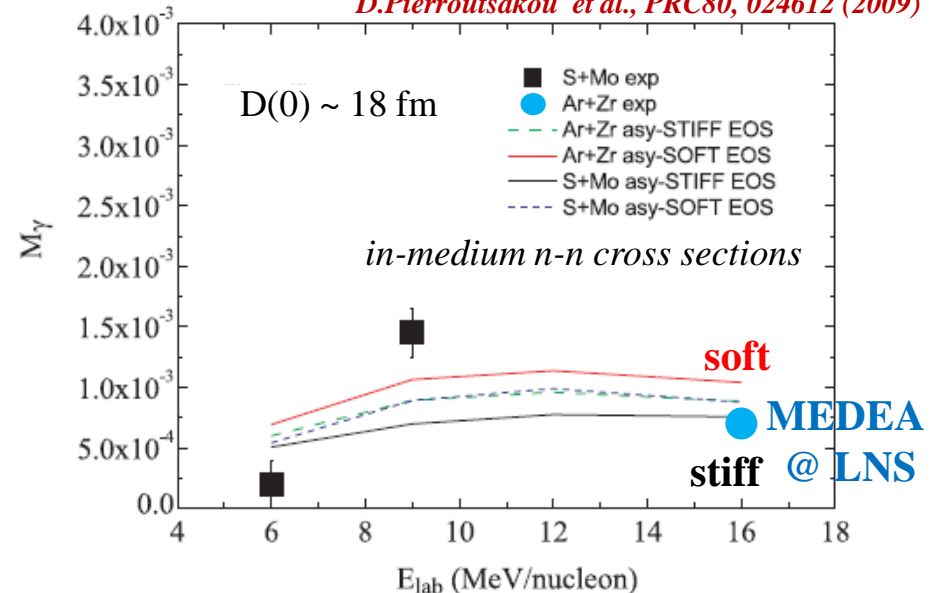


## Experimental evidence of the extra-yield (LNL & LNS data)



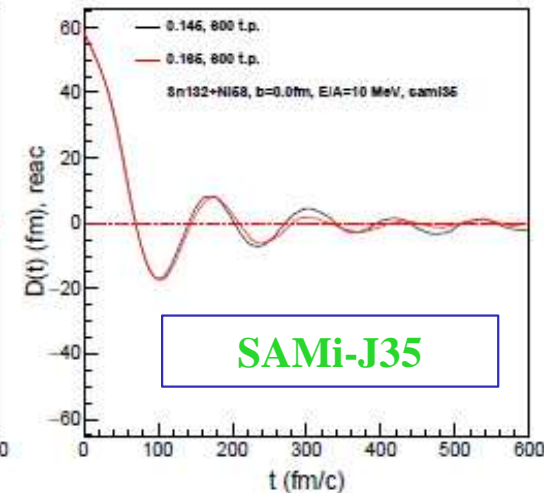
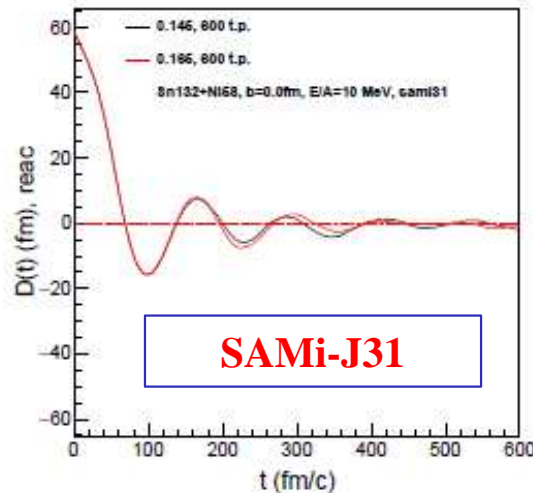
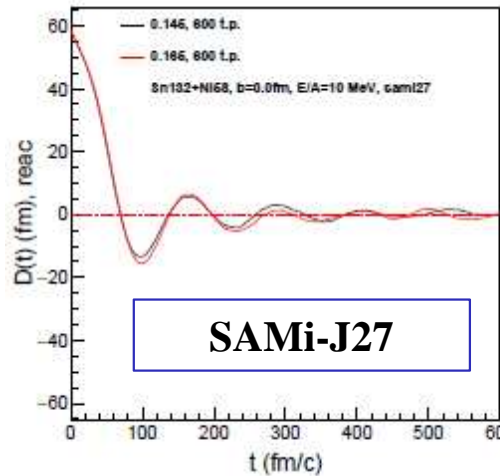
A.Corsi et al., PLB 679, 197 (2009), LNL experiments

D.Pierrousakou et al., PRC80, 024612 (2009)



→ DD in the fusion-evaporation of the  $40\text{Ca} + 152\text{Sm}$  heavy system, PRC 93, 044619(2016)

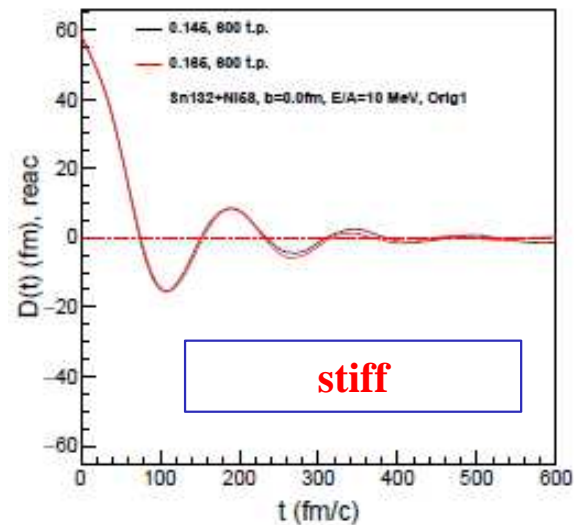
# Looking at dipole oscillations



Energy-integrated yield

$$P_\gamma \sim \omega_0^3 \tau D(t_0)^2$$

Is  $\omega_0$  just sensitive to  $E_{\text{sym}}$  ?



➤ **Stiff** and **SAMi-J31**: same symmetry energy, but different oscillation frequency: momentum dependence (MD) effects ! (also seen in the GDR case)