

## PHYSICS AT THE DRIP LINES (Topics addressed in GT1 of GDR Resanet )

- 1) Shell evolution far from stability and related theory -> see also Matta, Nowacki
- 2) Evolution of pairing towards the drip line
- 3) Clustering towards the drip line (di-proton, di-neutron, quasi-molecular states)
- 4) Study of in-medium clustering
- 5) Emergence of halo & Borromean states and related properties
- 6) Broken mirror symmetries -> see also Nowacki
- 7) Giant and pigmy modes in exotic nuclei -> see Hammache, Gulminelli
- 8) Synergy with other quantum systems.

Mild changes / almost same models

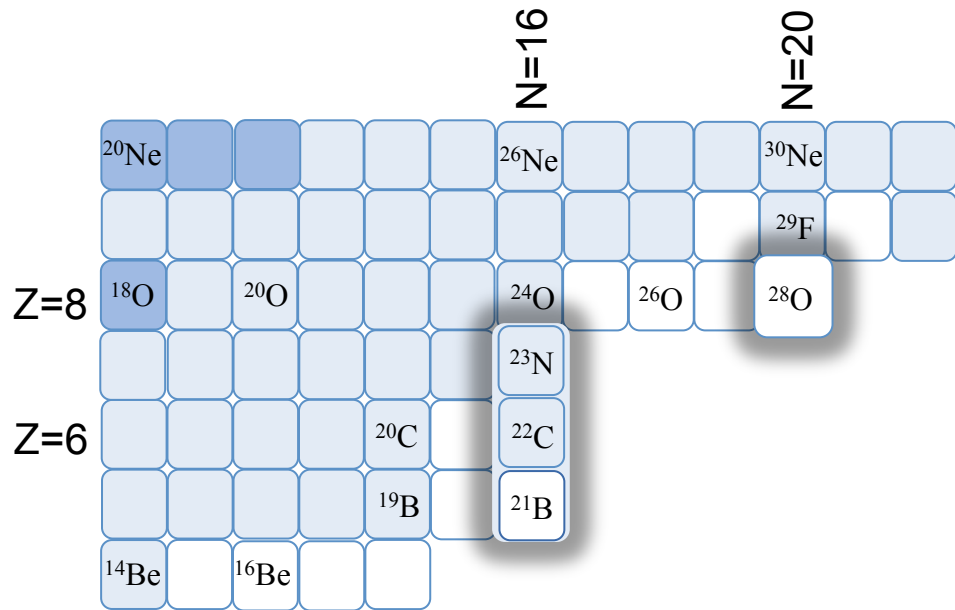


Drastics change / new models and concepts needed

OR



# Evolution of nuclear structure far from stability (RIKEN)



## Change of paradigm in nuclear physics:

Systematic disappearance of magic nuclei 8, 20, 28 far from stability

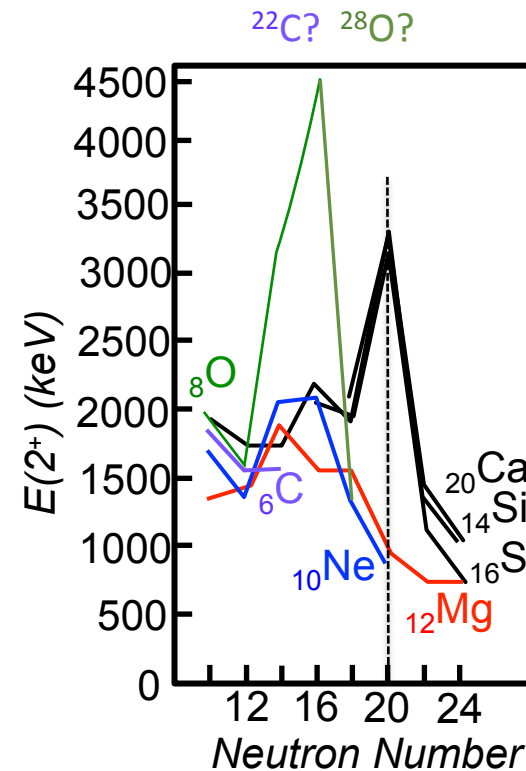
Is N=16 a truly new magic number ?

-> Study of excited states of N=16 isotones below  $^{24}\text{O}$

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To which extent does N=20 disappears as well in  $^{28}\text{O}$ , supposed to be DOUBLY magic?

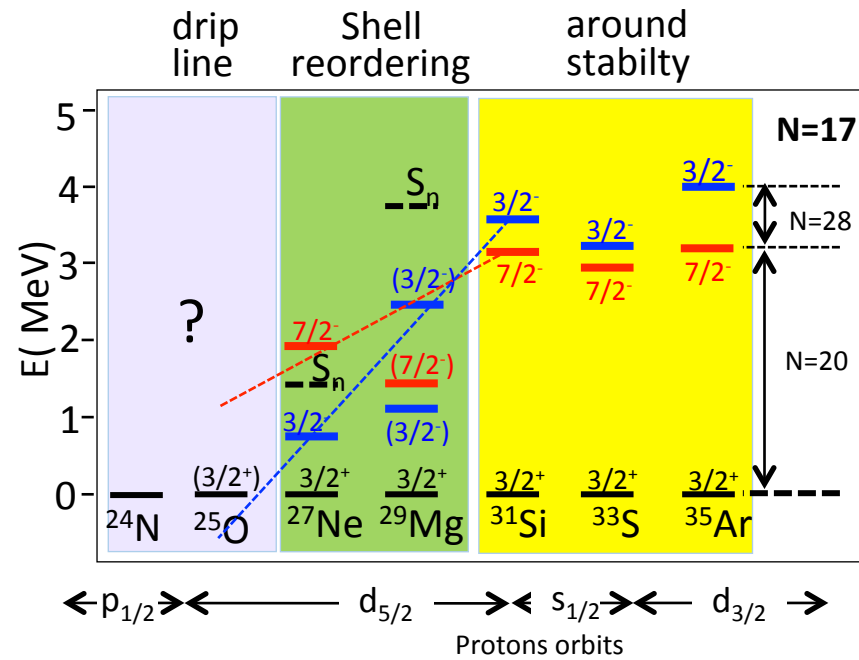
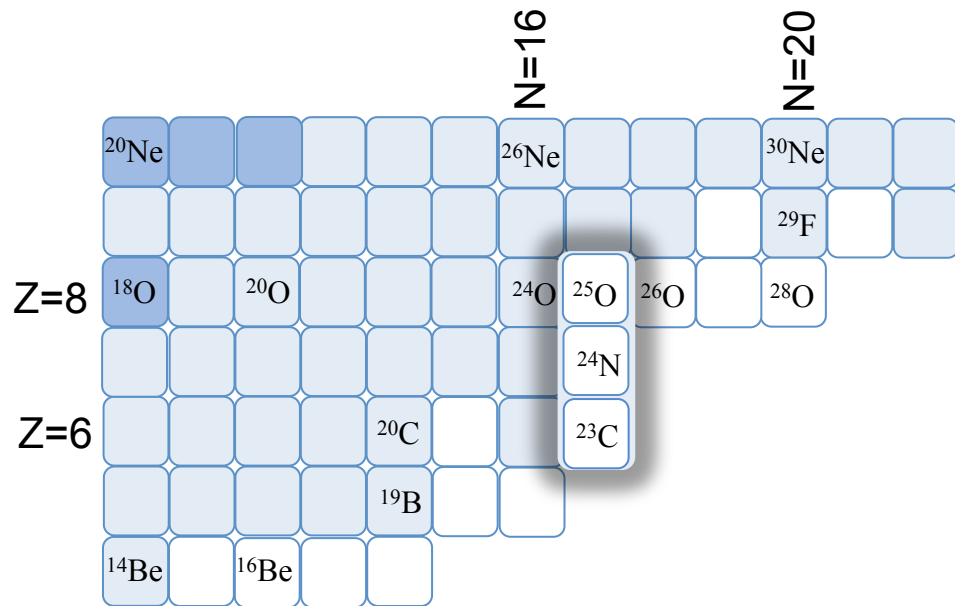
-> Study of excited states in  $^{28}\text{O}$



Future: Benefit from higher neutron efficiency and RIBF intensity (x10) in 2025

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# Evolution of nuclear structure: the role of nuclear forces / continuum



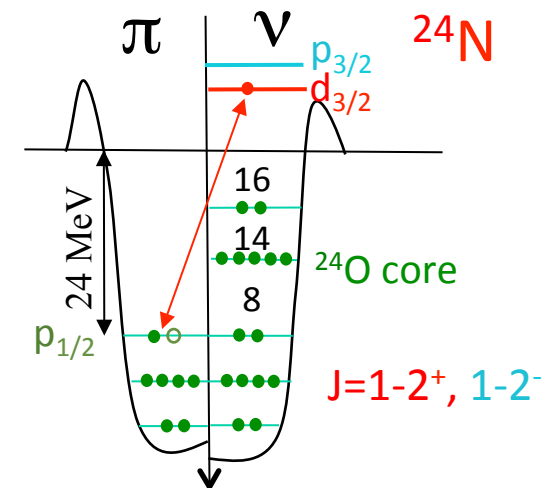
What are the underlying mechanisms for this substantial shell changes ?

How pn forces are modified with large pn binding asymmetry ?

-> Study shell evolution of N=17 isotones

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Are there new expected magic nuclei ?



Unique way to understand nuclear forces for a better predictability in heavier nuclei

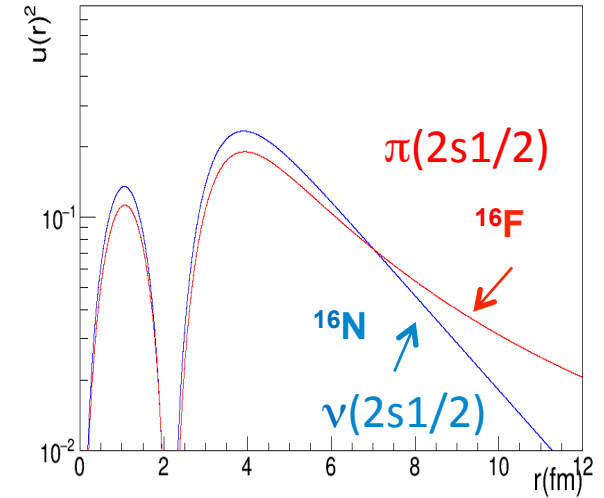
# Breaking of mirror symmetry in open quantum systems



$^{16}\text{F}$  unbound by 535 keV

Complete reordering of the orbits between the  $A=16$  mirror nuclei

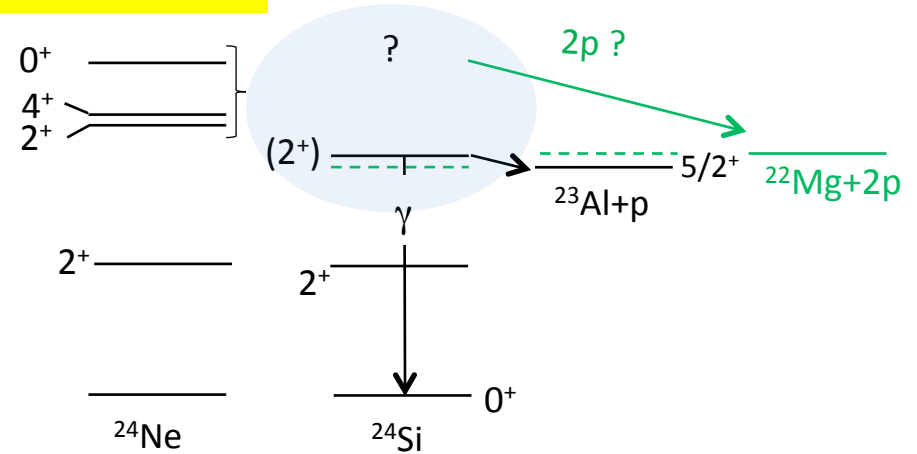
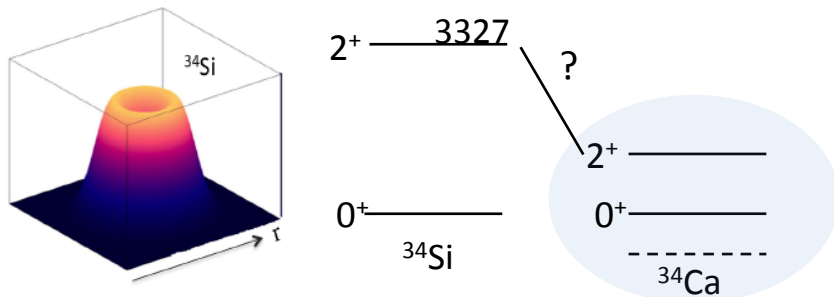
Effective pn interaction reduced by 50% owing to the continuum



Perspectives @ GANIL/GRIT ...

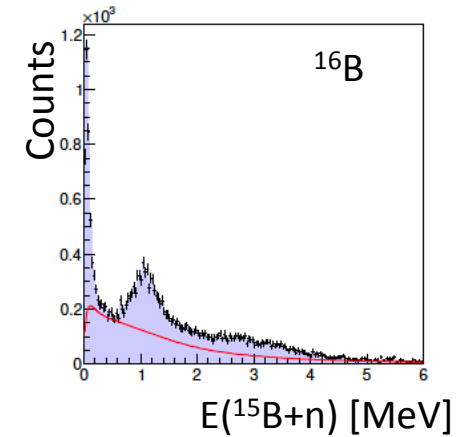
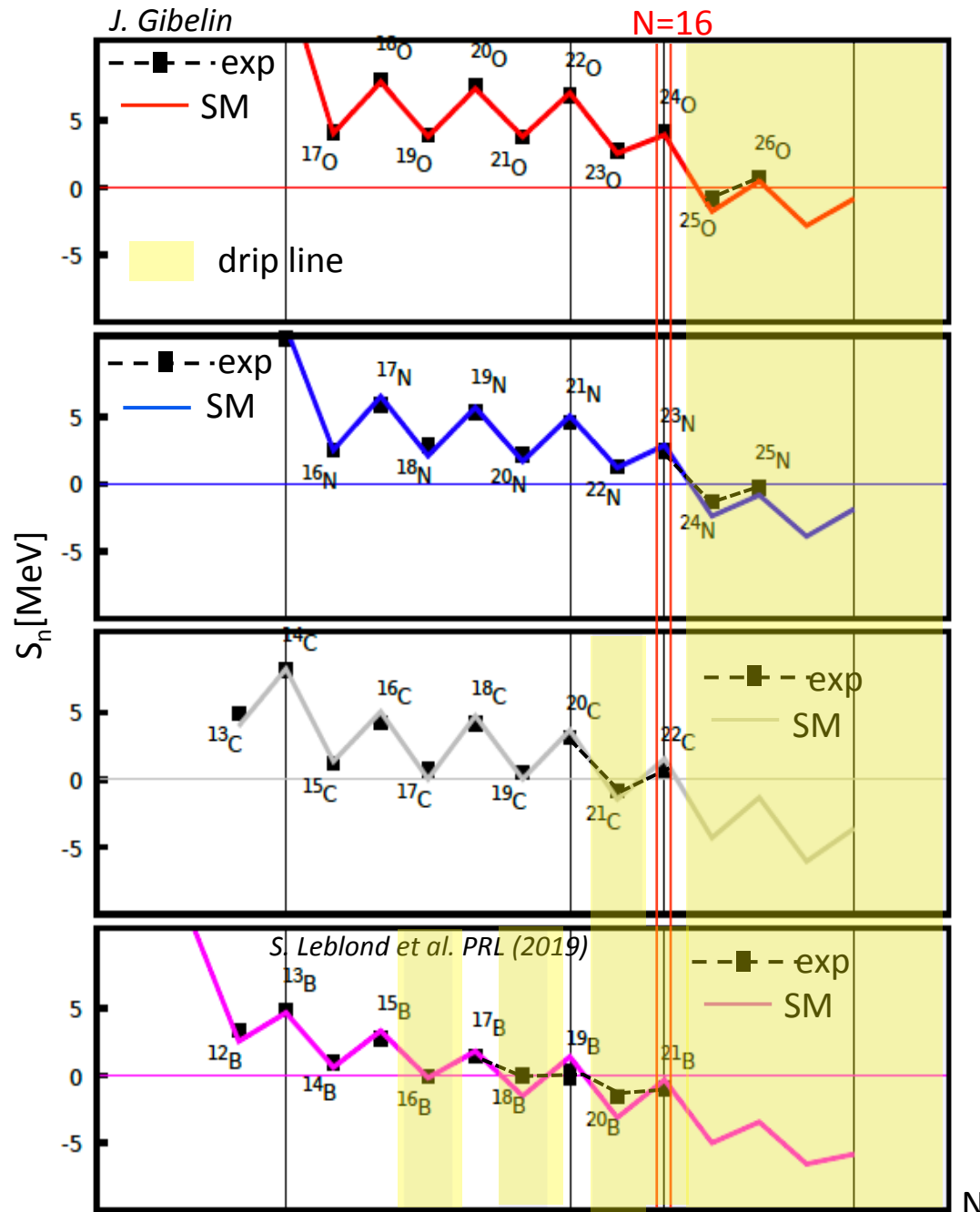
Would the vibrational character of a nucleus be preserved in its mirror nucleus ?

Drastic influence on p captures in X-ray bursts  
Study of 2p decay and correlations



Could a doubly magic nucleus become deformed in its mirror reflexion ?

# Trend of $S_n(N)$ as a probe of shell-closure and pairing



Study of 1n and 2n decays of unbound nuclei allows accurate determinations of  $S_n$  beyond the drip line

Reduced odd-even  $S_n$  oscillations at the drip line as compared to calculations

-> change of pairing regime?

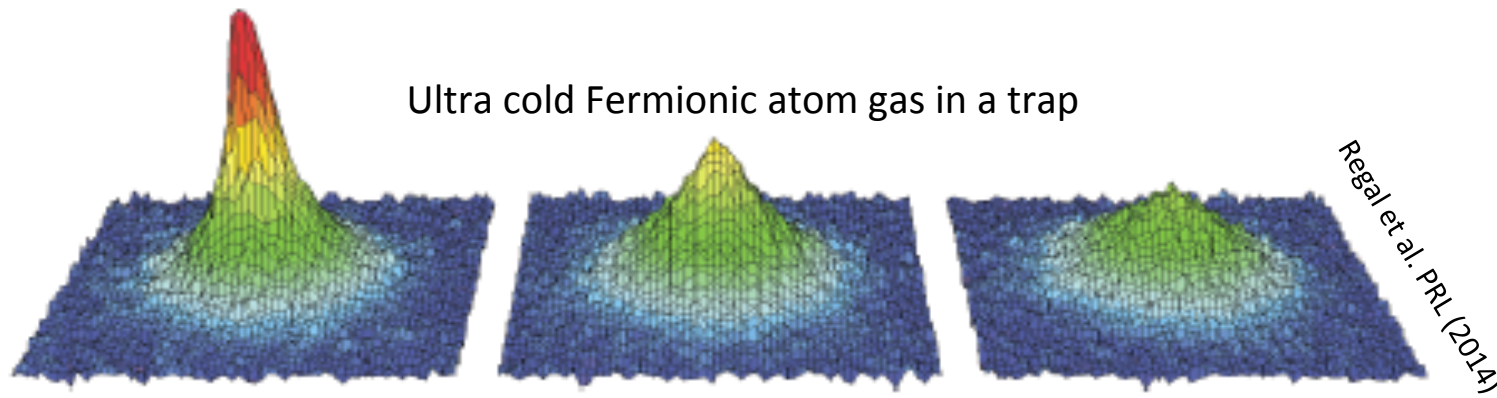
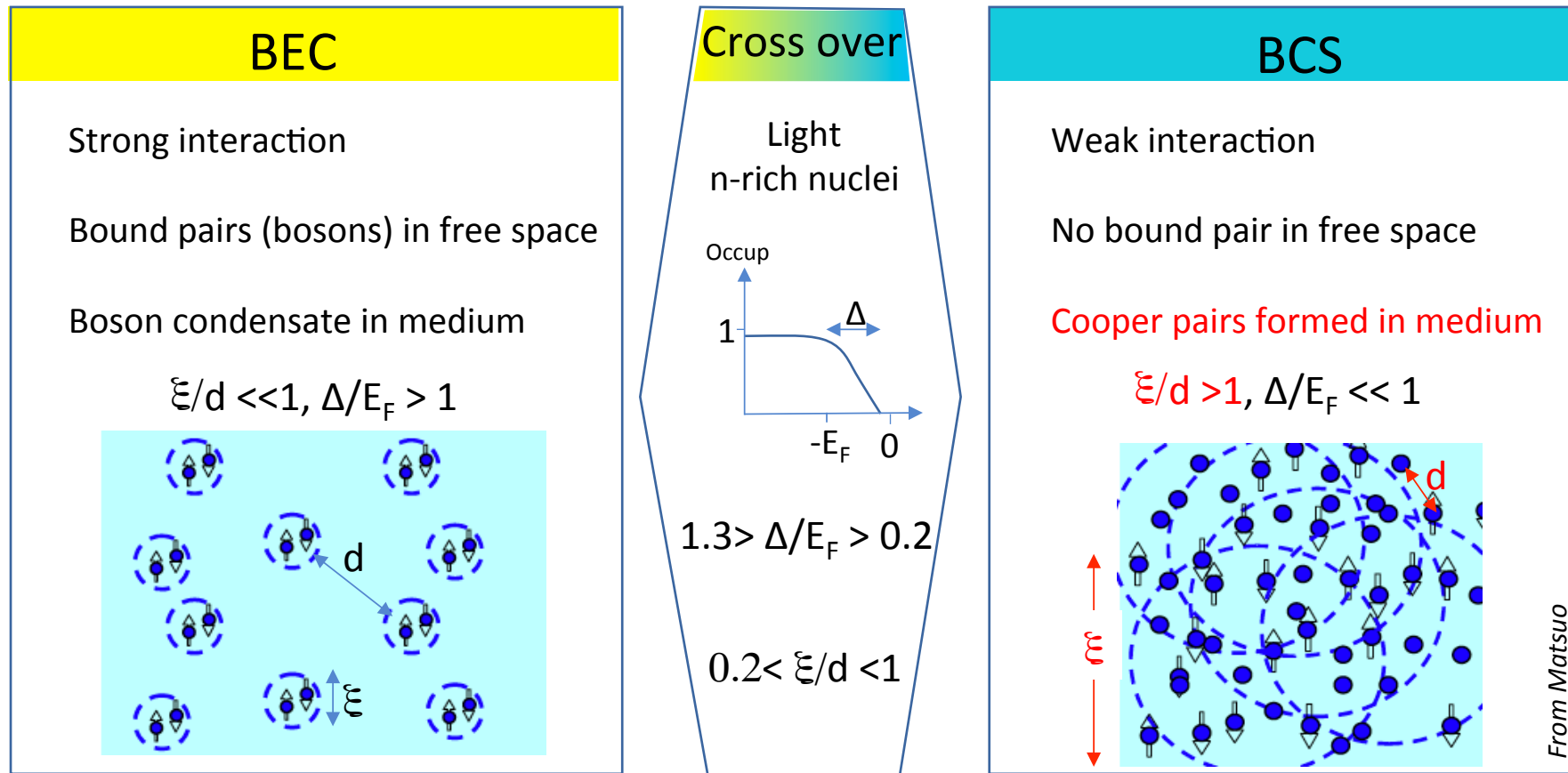
-> Role of pn interaction?

-> analogy with gapless supracond ?

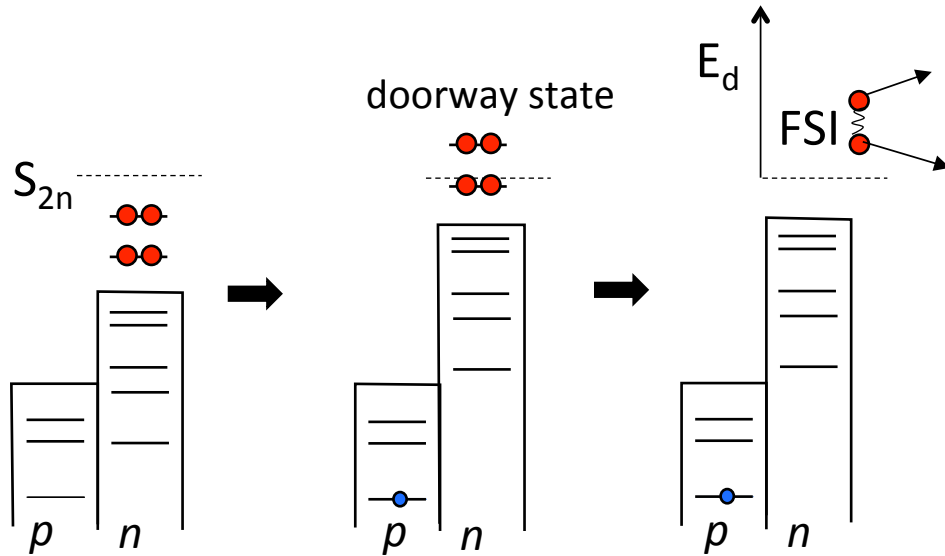
Extend studies further away from Stability at RIKEN

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# Evolution of pairing between BCS and BEC



# Study of 2n and 4n correlations towards the drip line



Analogy with photoemission of Cooper pairs *Wehlitz PRL (2012)*

Use deeply-bound nucleon **quasi-free** knockout

-> Promote 2n and 4n in the continuum

-> Study 2n and 4n decays (direct/sequential)

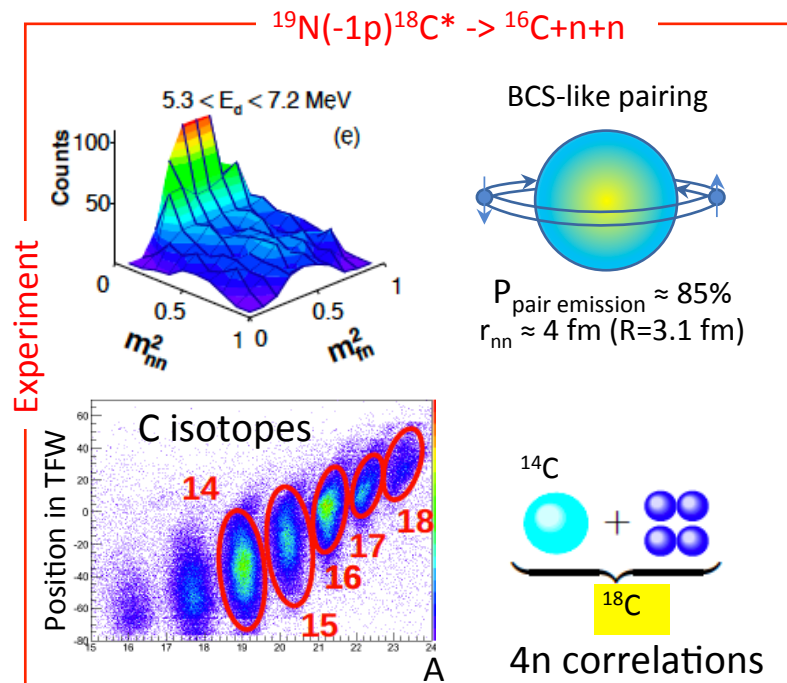
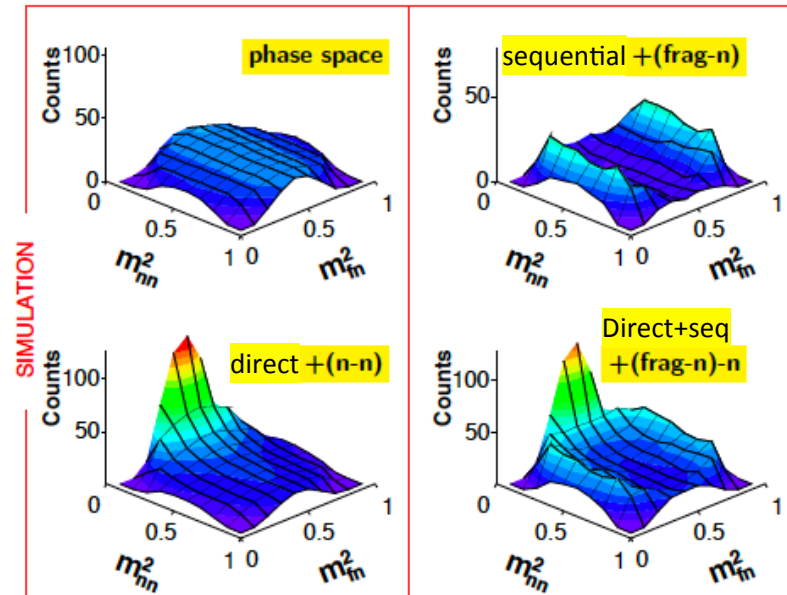
@ FAIR/R3B/NeuLAND, RIKEN/SAMURAI/NEBULA

-> Evolution of  $r_{nn}$  with binding energy and A

-> Study the role of the reaction mechanism

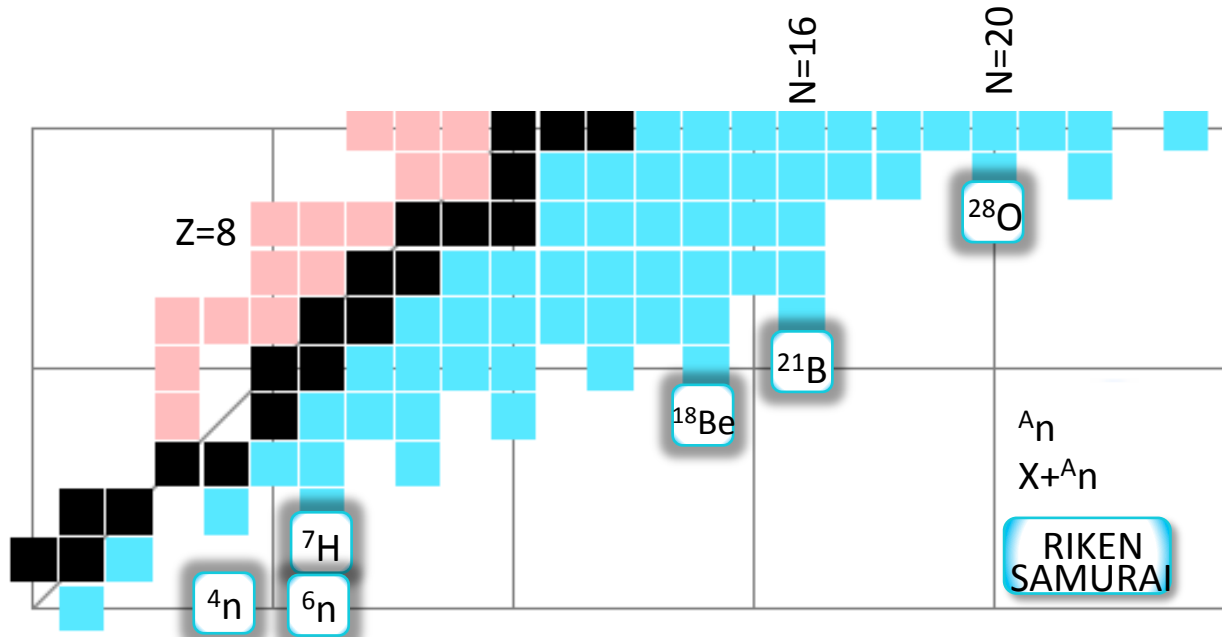
Complete the neutron wall, Si tracker and CALIFA

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*A. Revel et al. PRL (2018)*

# Study of multi-neutron emission from ground and excited states

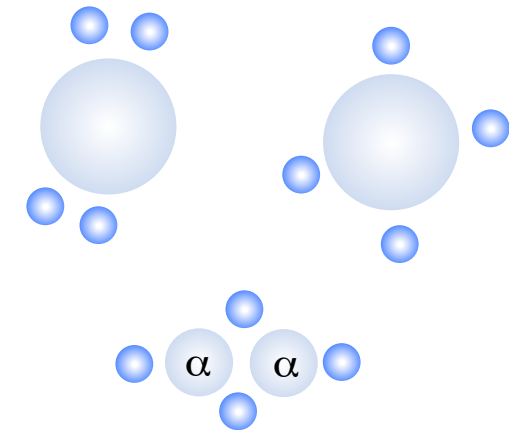
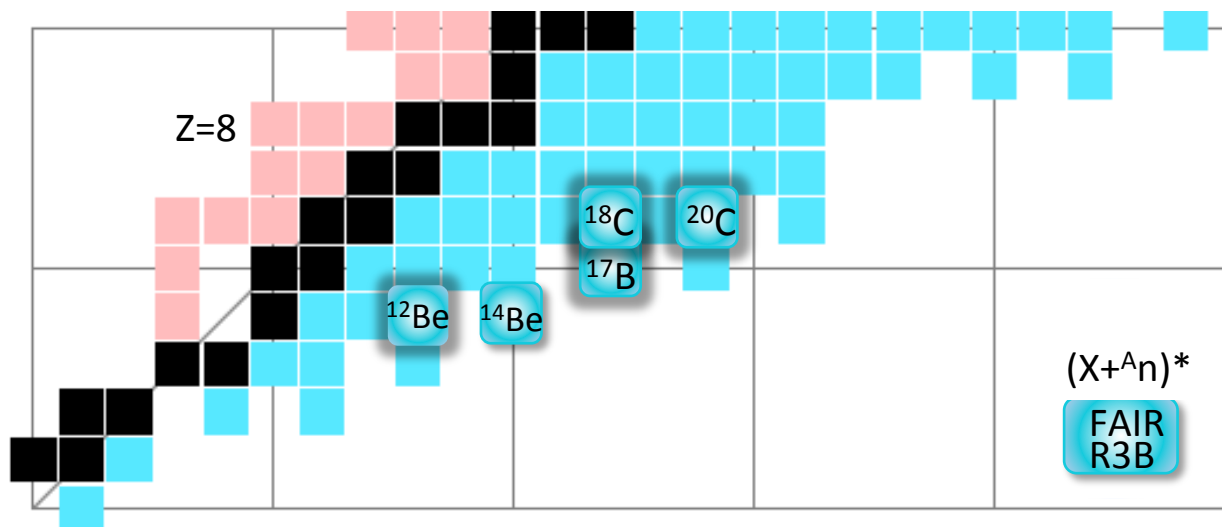


$A_n$ : Better modelling of ab-initio nuclear forces

$X+A_n$  &  $(X+A_n)^*$ :

Characterize  $A_n$  decays and correlations

Identify molecular states e.g. correlations between clusters and neutrons



Need of very high granularity and efficiency neutron arrays

-> upgrade of Nebula at RIKEN, more double planes and larger distance of NeuLAND at FAIR

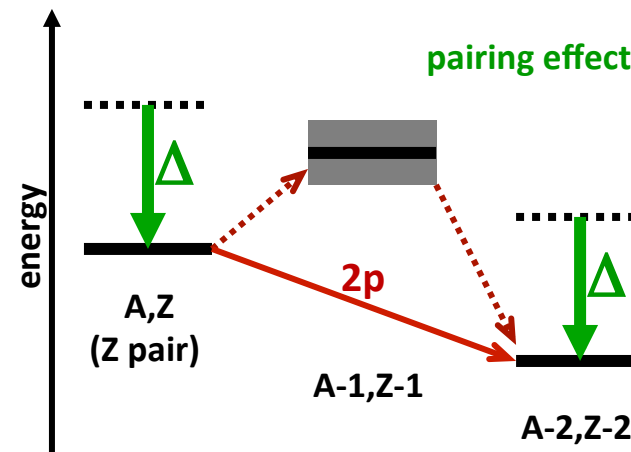
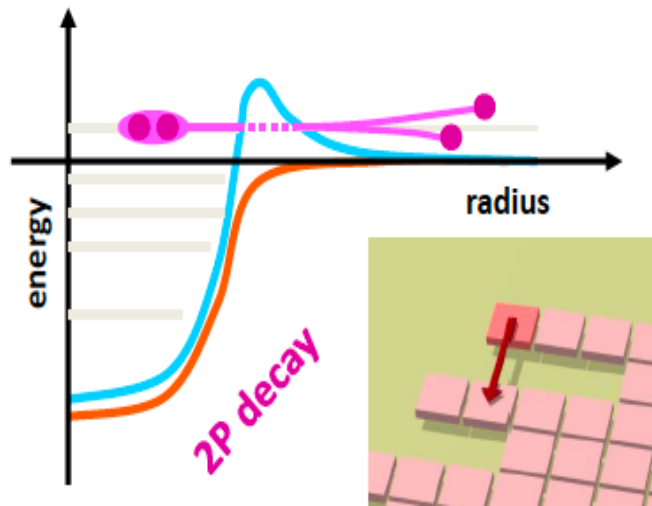


# Goals and prospects on 2p decay radioactivity

The 2p radioactivity is very a rare process.

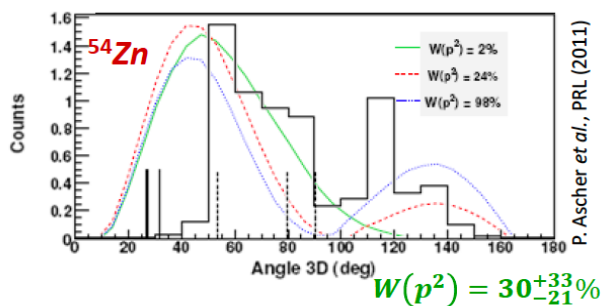
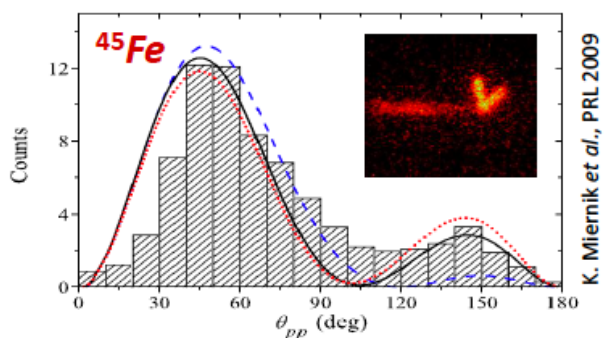
The lifetime of the nucleus should be long enough to call it 'radioactivity'.

It is found when the 1p daughter is unbound and when the 2p are trapped inside a barrier

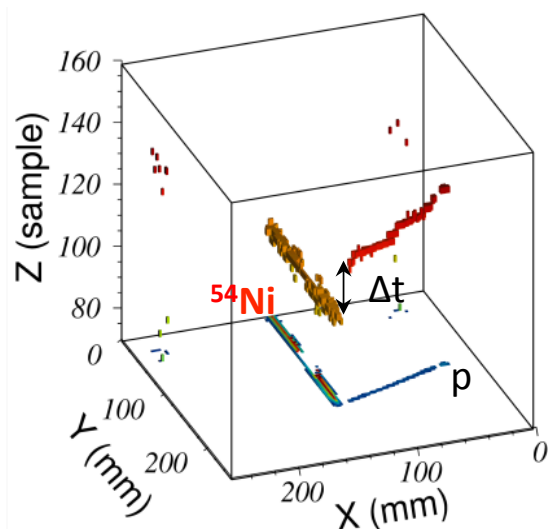
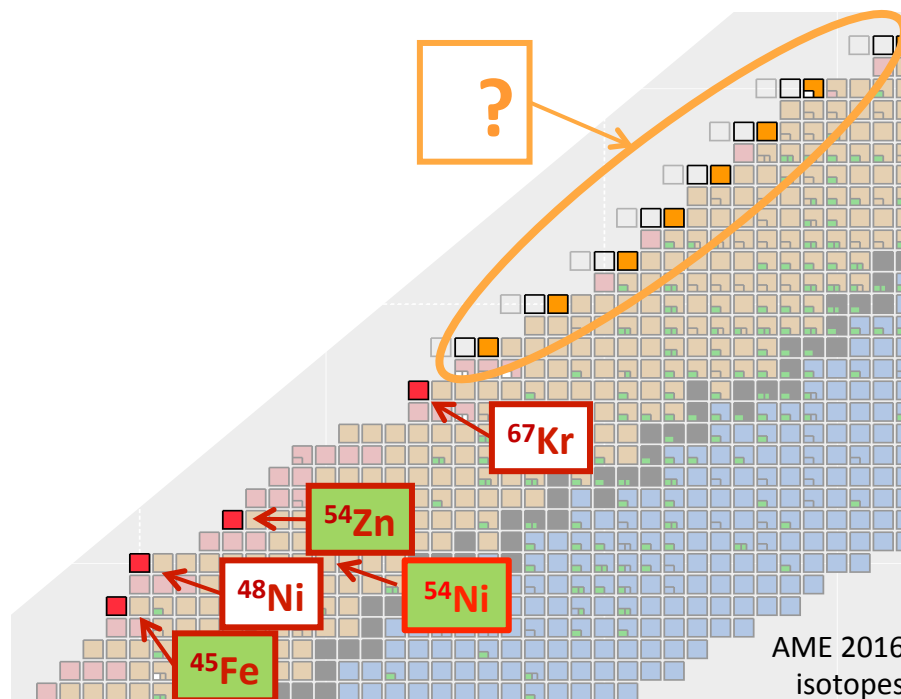


Understanding the 2p process requires modeling of the [nuclear structure](#) and the [dynamics](#)

# Perspectives on the study of 2p decay radioactivity



$$W(p^2) = 30^{+33}_{-21}\%$$



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Studies of doubly magic  $^{48}\text{Ni}$ , of  $^{54}\text{Zn}$  and the deformed  $^{67}\text{Kr}$

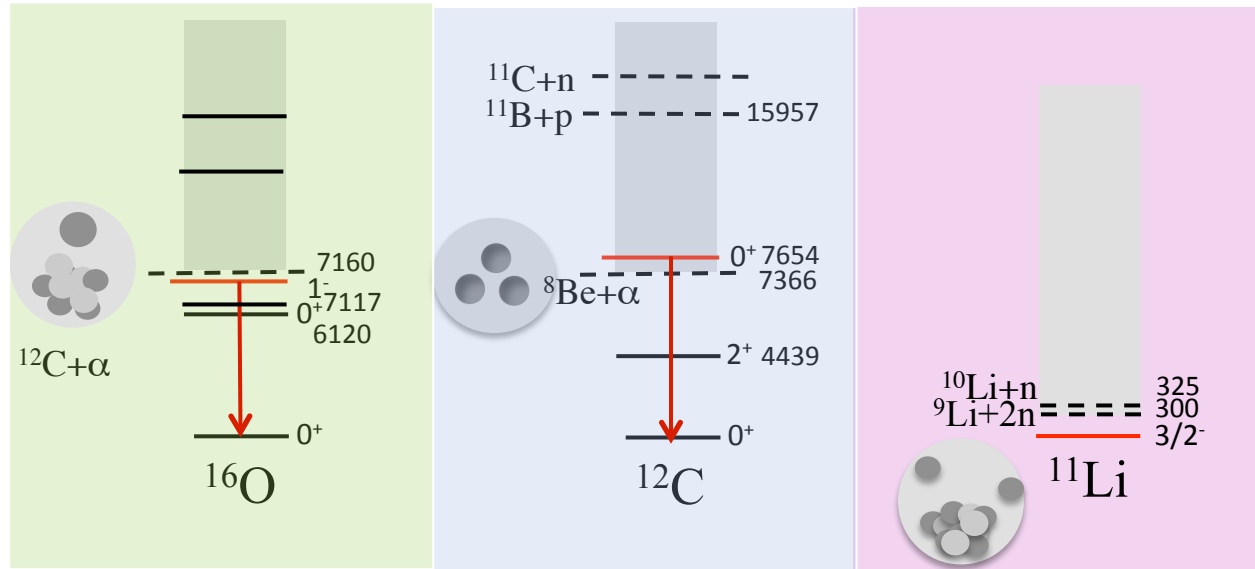
Identify new (heavier) 2p emitters

Measure the corresponding 2p decays and properties

Strong connexions with theories to interpret the decay patterns

# Does the ikeda conjecture apply to di- or tetra- nucleon configurations?

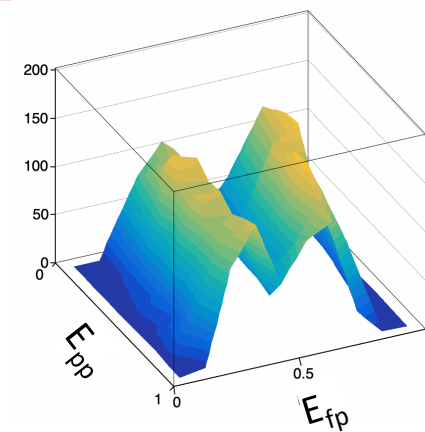
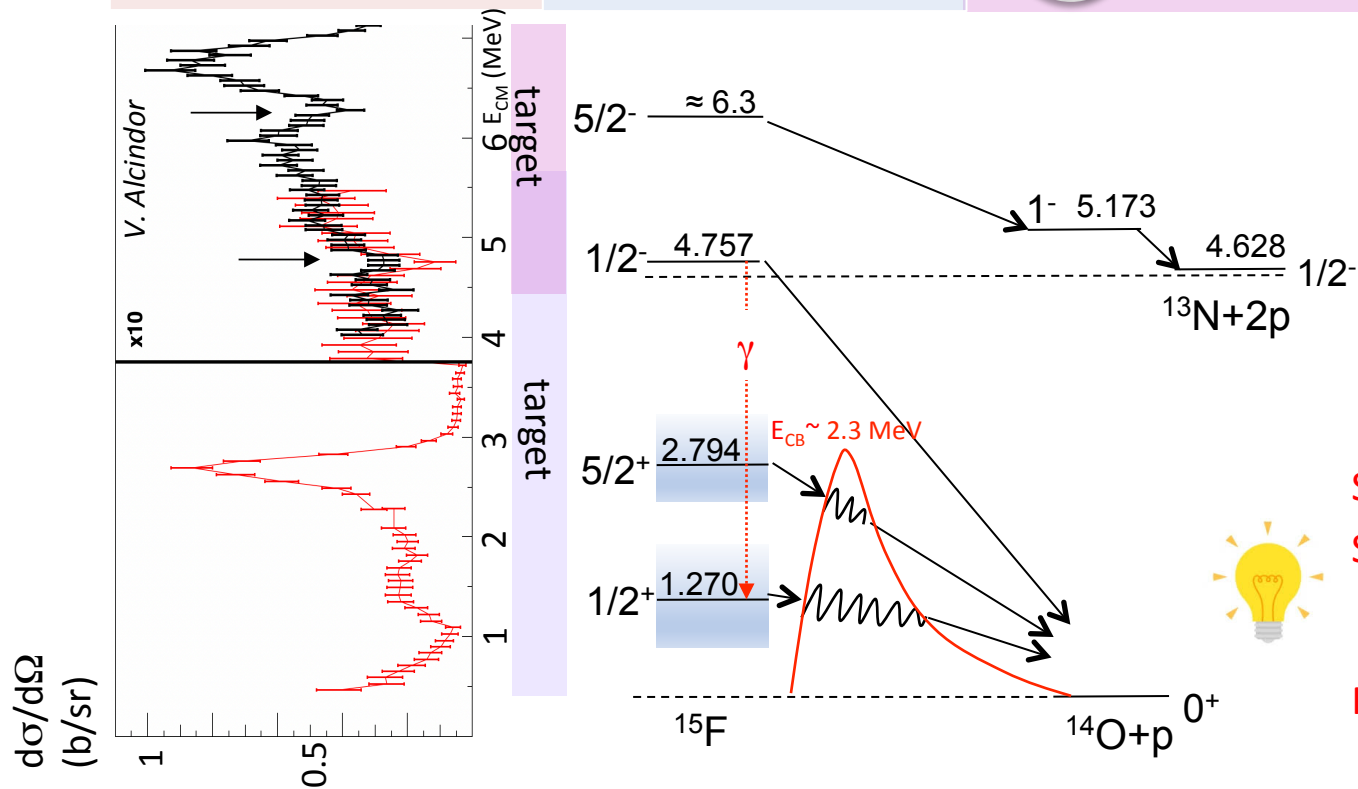
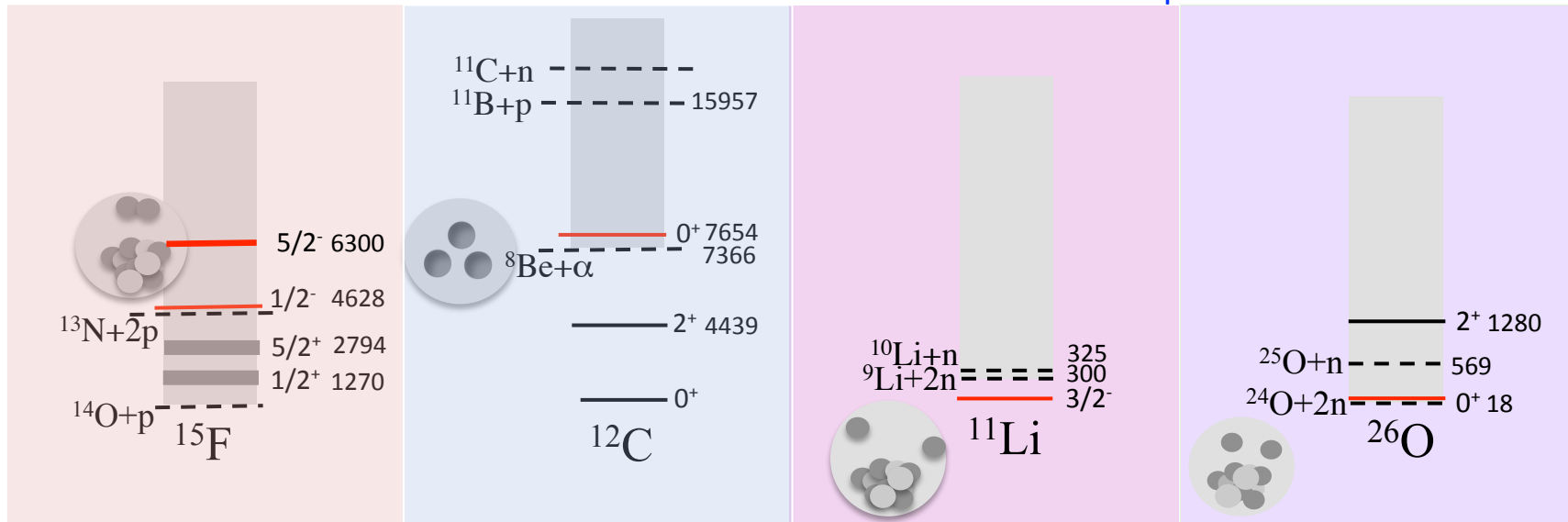
(J. Okolowicz, et al. Prog. Th. Phys. Supp. 196 (2012))



Ikeda conjecture : Existence of narrow cluster states at the corresponding energy thresholds

-> Decisive impact for  $^{12}\text{C}$  and  $^{16}\text{O}$  production in massive stars by  $\alpha$  captures

# Search for 2p cluster configurations around $S_{2p}$ threshold



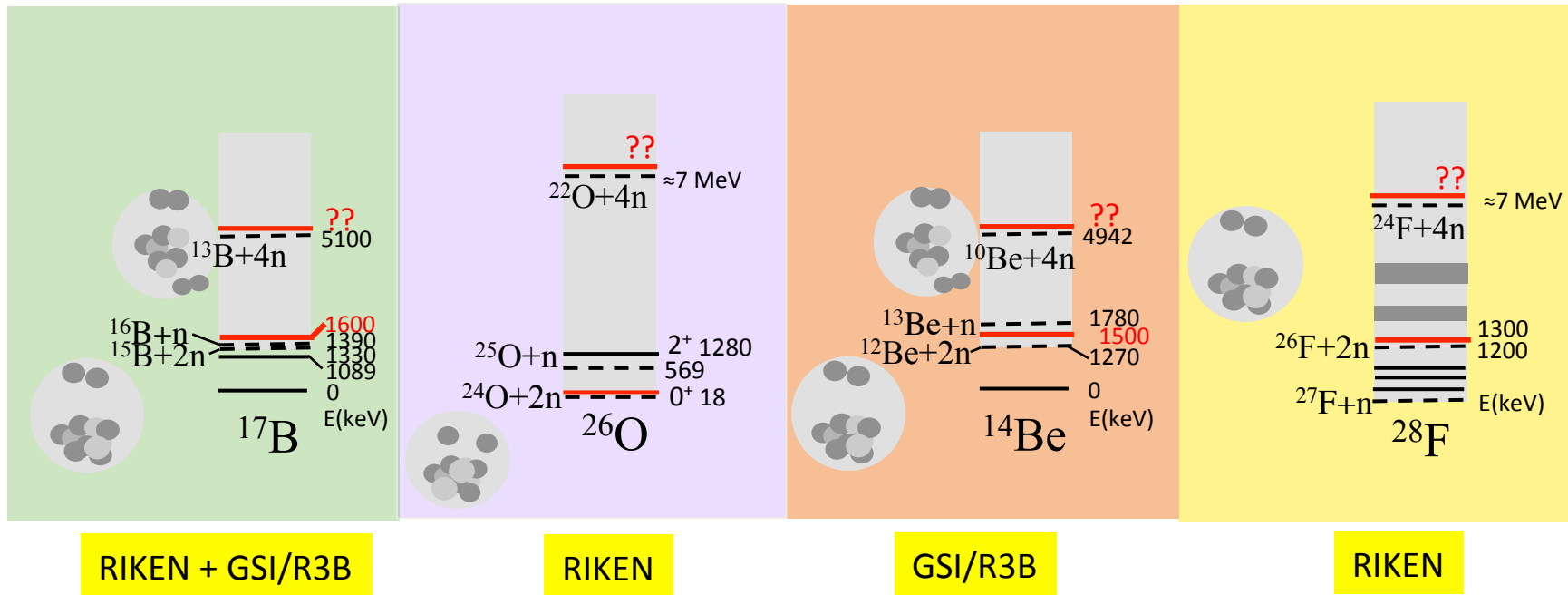
Search for E1 fast  $\gamma$  decay  
 Search for other 2p decays  
 and characterize their decays

Role for 2p captures in stars ?



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Narrow states  $\approx S_{2n}$  systematically present  $\rightarrow$  use models including continuum to understand

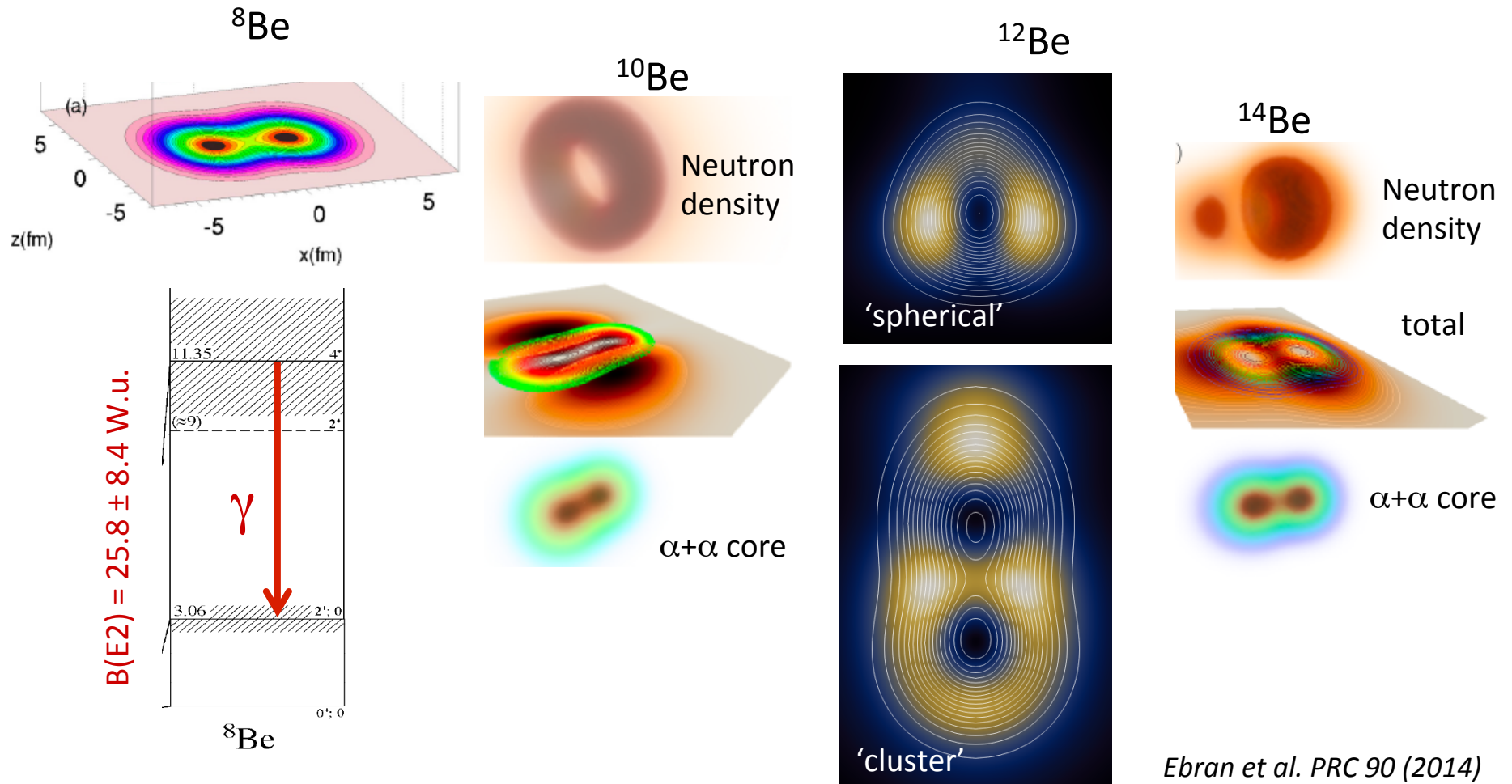
What is the  $\gamma$ - wrt 1n- or 2n- decay of such states, possibly spatially extended

Are there narrow resonances around  $S_{4n} \rightarrow 4n$  clustering ?



Such narrow resonances close to  $S_{2n}$  may drastically enhance n captures in the r process

# Evolution of nuclear $\alpha$ clustering in neutron-rich nuclei

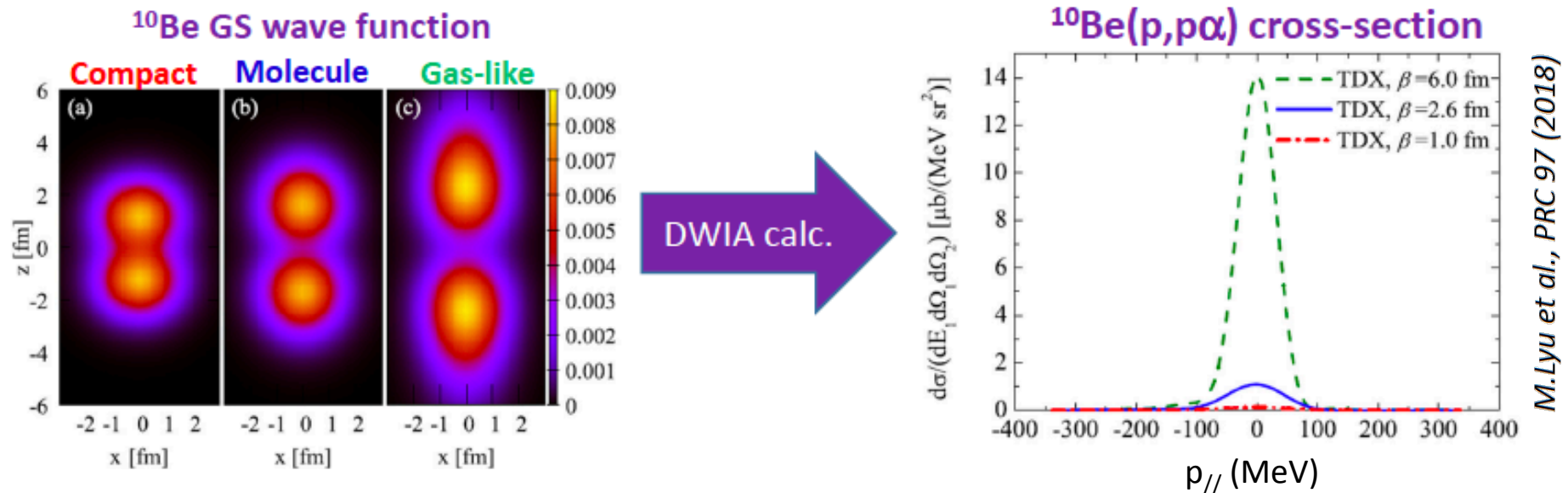


Decay between two unbound states of a rotational band

-> Search for other cases to characterize clustering

# Probing cluster structures using knockout and transfer reactions

High sensitivity of the  $\alpha$  knockout cross section to the extension of the cluster



$^{10,12,14}\text{Be}$  ( $pp,\alpha$ ) done at 150 MeV/A, combine with neutron detection



Cluster in neutron-rich C isotopes planned to be studied

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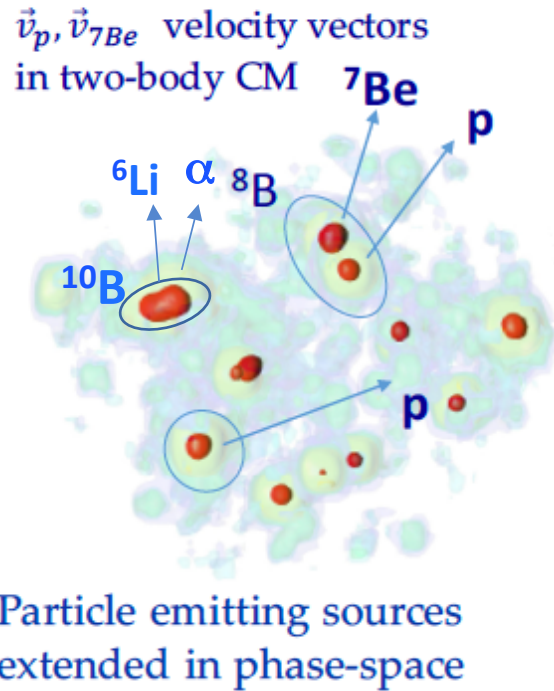
Clustering in  $^{10}\text{Be}$  and  $^{12}\text{Be}$  can be probed through  $^{10}\text{Be}(p,t)2\alpha$  and  $^8\text{He}(\alpha,\alpha)^8\text{He}$ , respectively


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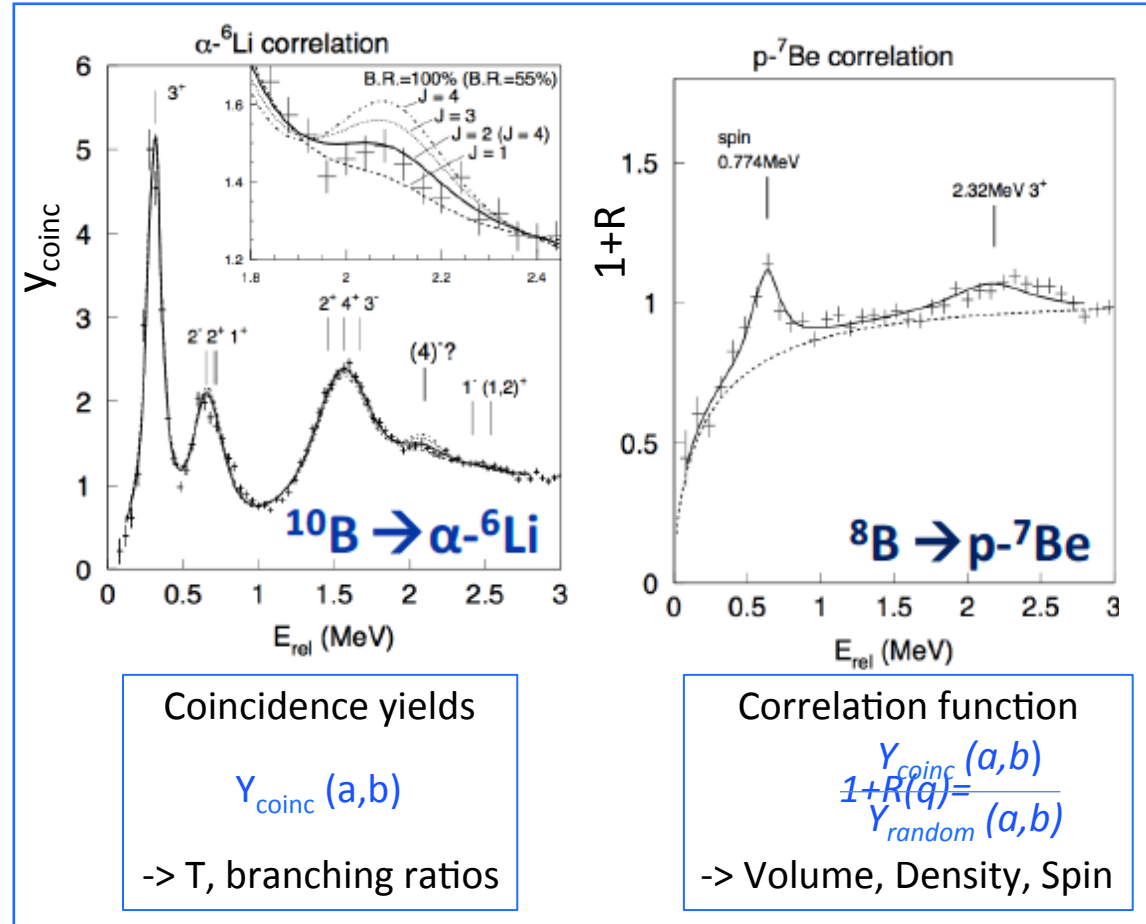
# In-medium cluster formation and resonance spectroscopy

What are the mechanisms leading to cluster production during nuclear collisions?

Does the environment modify the properties of resonances (decay pattern, energy, width)?



 Analogy with the production of  $K, \Sigma, \Lambda, \Xi$  resonances in heavy ion collisions



 Determine the  $Y_{\text{coinc}}$  and  $1+R(q_{\text{rel}})$  in different reactions INDRA/FAZIA

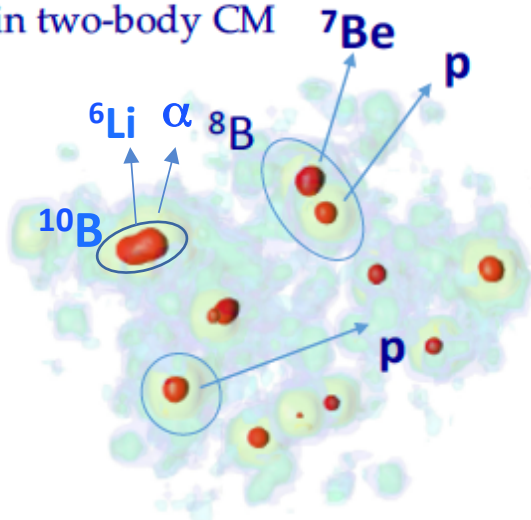


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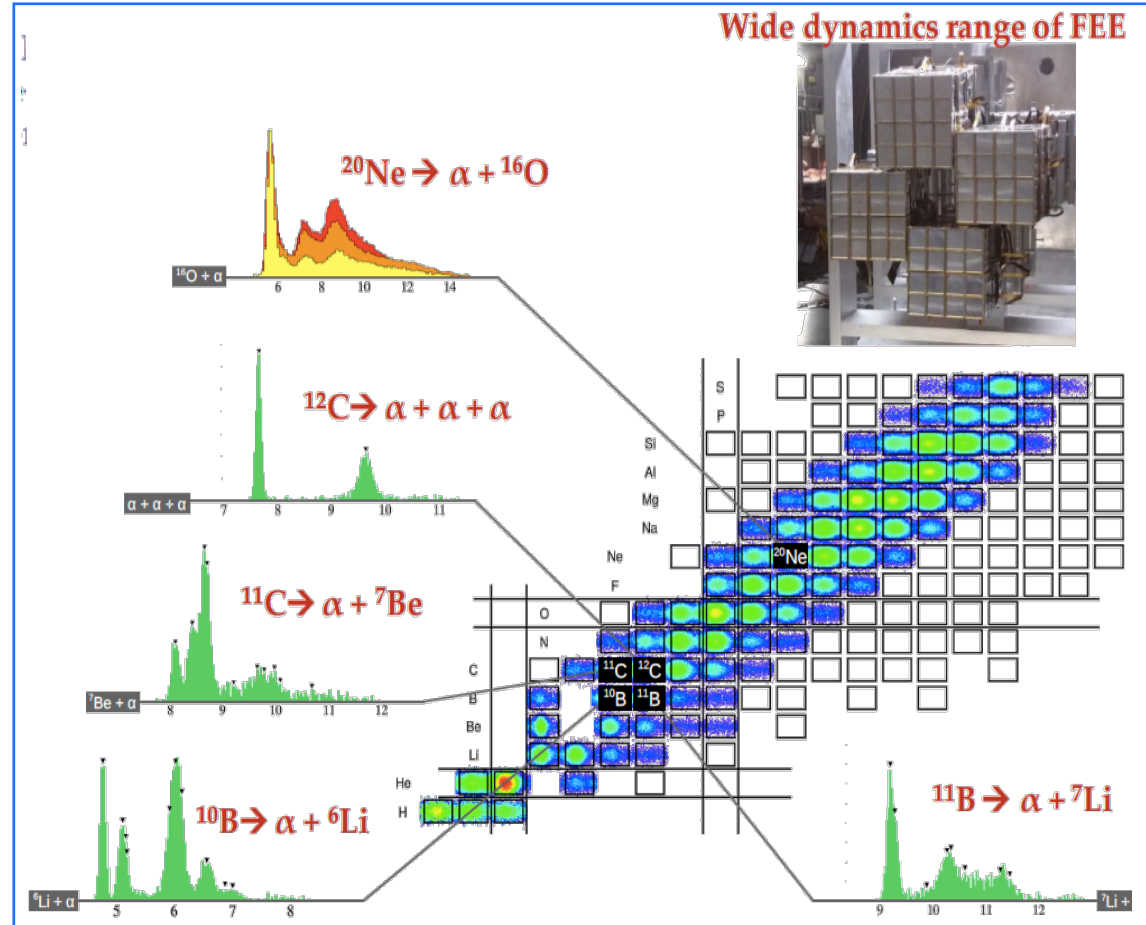
$\vec{v}_p, \vec{v}_{7Be}$  velocity vectors  
in two-body CM



Particle emitting sources  
extended in phase-space



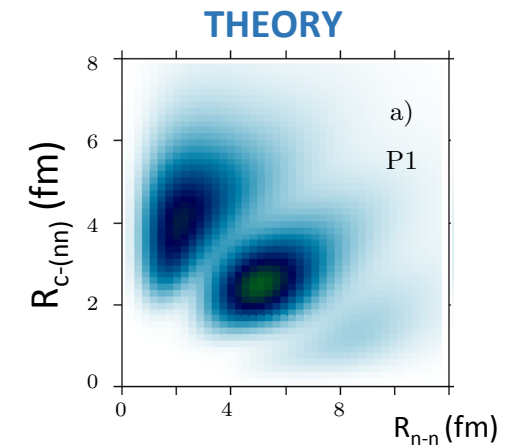
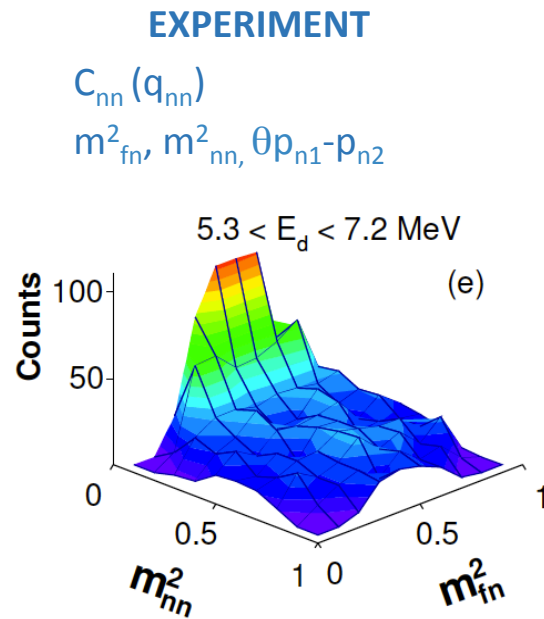
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Study the profiles of resonances in different medium

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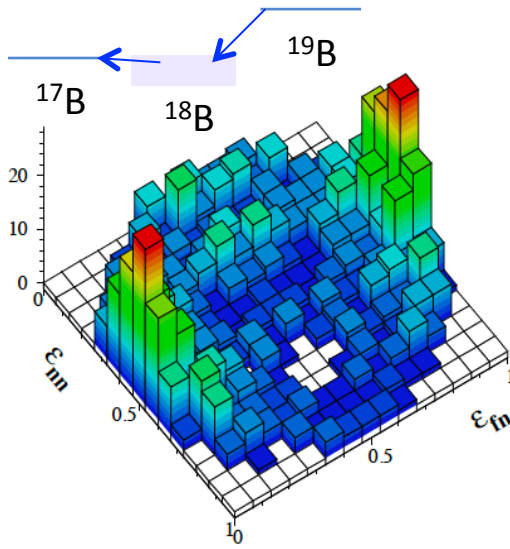
# Reinforce links between theory and experiments



Describe nuclear structure and reaction mechanisms within the same framework

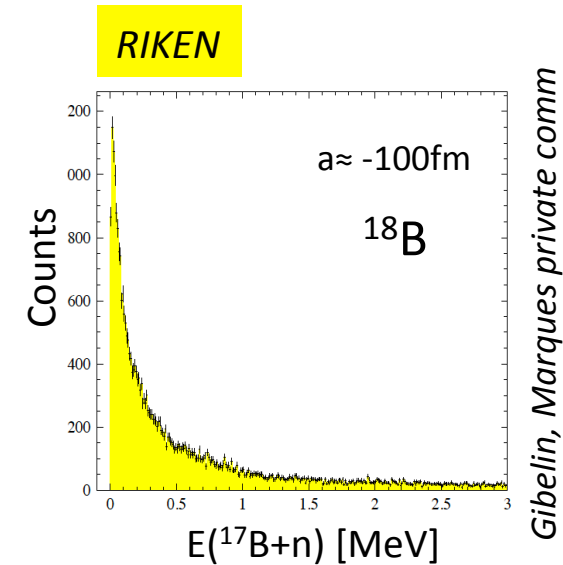
Essential to link experimental observables with underlying physics

# Could gigantic 'nuclei' exist ?



Sequential decay of  $^{19}\text{B}$   
 through the virtual state in  $^{18}\text{B}$   
 $BE(^{19}\text{B}) \approx -0.14(39)\text{MeV}$

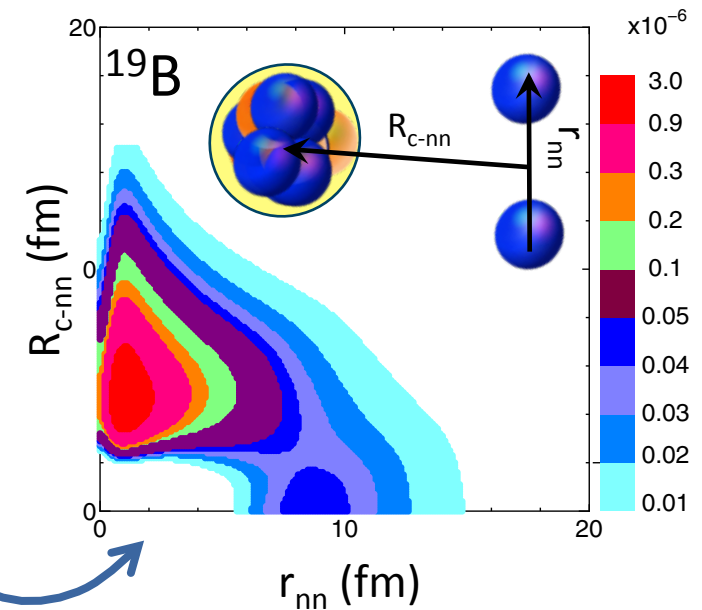
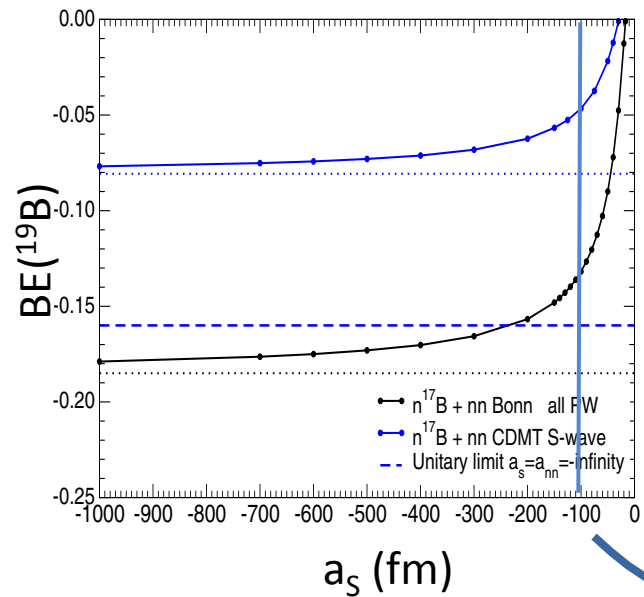
Very large n- $^{17}\text{B}$  distance w.r.t.  
 range of nuclear forces ( $a_{nn} \approx -18\text{fm}$ )



Description without using  
 explicit 3-body forces  
 correctly reproduce the  
 binding energy of  $^{19}\text{B}$

The theory is close  
 to the unitarity limit

Carbonell et al. (2019)



## Few questions related to the working group

Would all magic nuclei eventually disappear at the drip lines ?  
How effective nuclear forces evolve at the drip line?

By how much mirror symmetry can be broken when open quantum systems are involved ?

Can we better understanding pairing in atomic nuclei ?  
How does it evolve towards the drip lines ?

Does the ikeda conjecture apply to di- or tetra- nucleon configurations?

How does clustering evolves with neutron enrichment ?  
Does the medium modify the properties of clusters ?

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## *MID TERM FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS /STRATEGIES... 2020 - 2025*

RIKEN

Nebula-plus @RIKEN : Tests and commissioning, first experiments

Strässe @RIKEN : Prototype of LH2 target (2020), Full barrel with target chamber  $\geq 2022$

GANIL /MUGAST/GRIT + PARIS/EXOAM2 + ZDD @LISE :

Mugast campaign, Development of zero degree detection  $\geq 2022$

Development and tests of GRIT (detectors, electronics, reaction chamber, combine with  $\gamma$ -ray detection)

R3B@FAIR: Participation in the completion of NeuLAND and/or CALIFA and/or Si tracker ?

## *LONG TERM FUTURE ... $\geq 2025$*

SAMURAI+ NEBULA-plus + gamma array: Increase in beam intensity of RIBF x10,  
Nuclear structure and correlations  $20 < A < 40$

R3B@FAIR: Fair should deliver high intensity beams

Improved neutron resolution of NeuLAND as placed at 35 m

GANIL / LISE / SPIRAL1 : New SPIRAL1 beams ?

Which experimental programs will be pursued when SPIRAL2-1 starts ?

FRIB: should be highly competitive in terms of intensity, not clear about detectors and spectrometers