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Relativistic Equation of Motion Framework for Nuclear Physics

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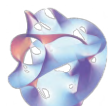
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Hierarchy of energy scales and nuclear many-body problem

Degrees of freedom Energy [MeV]

String theory



strings

>10⁶



quarks, gluons

QCD



constituent quarks

940
neutron mass

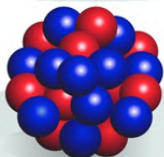
$m_\omega \approx 783$ MeV
 $m_\rho \approx 770$ MeV
 $m_\sigma \approx 500$ MeV
 $m_\pi \approx 140$ MeV

“ab initio”



baryons, mesons

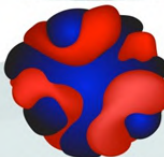
Configuration Interaction (CI)



protons, neutrons

8
proton separation energy in lead

Density Functional Theory (DFT)



nucleonic densities and currents

1.12
vibrational state in tin

Collective coordinates (CC)



collective coordinates

0.043
rotational state in uranium

Atomic theory



electrons

13.6 x 10⁻⁶
binding energy of H-atom

• **The major conflict:**

Separation of energy scales => effective field theories

VS

The physics on a certain scale is governed by the next higher-energy scale

Hamiltonian:

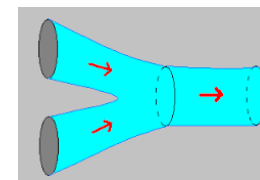
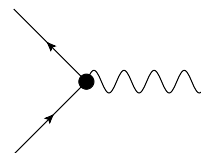
$$H = K + V$$

center of mass

internal degrees of freedom:
next energy scale

Standard Model:
free propagation and interaction (input)

String theory:
merging strings
NO “Interaction”

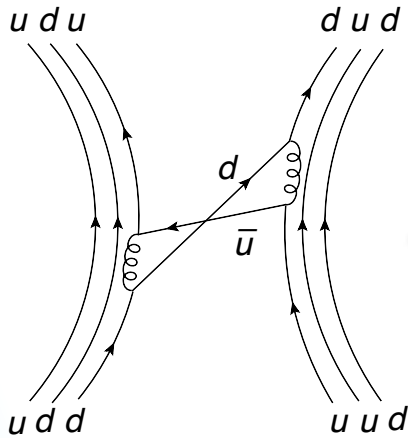


• **Possible solution:**

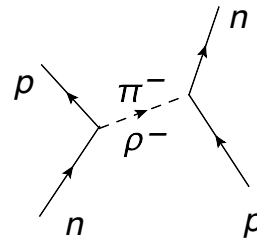
- Keep/establish connections between the scales via emergent phenomena
- A universal approach to the strongly-coupled QMBP?

The underlying mechanism of NN-interaction:

Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD, high energy)

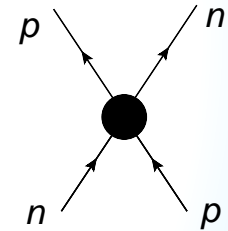


Quantum Hadrodynamics (QHD, intermediate energy)



Relay of EFTs:

Nuclear Structure (NS, low energy)



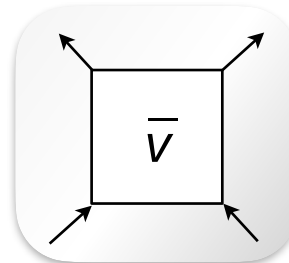
QCD

QHD

NS

Formalism:

- Generic bare "interaction": model-independent, all channels included
- Higher-orders are treated via **in-medium propagators**
- No perturbation theory



In implementations:

- Meson-exchange (ME) at leading order
- Effective coupling constants/masses (adjusted on the mean-field (MF) level) + subtraction of beyond-MF double-counting (P. Ring et al.)
- Bare ME + subtraction of MF artifacts (in progress)

A strongly-correlated many body system: single-fermion propagator, particle-hole propagator and related observables

$$H = \sum_{12} \bar{\psi}_1 (-i\gamma \cdot \nabla + M)_{12} \psi_2 + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{1234} \bar{\psi}_1 \bar{\psi}_2 \bar{v}_{1234} \psi_4 \psi_3 = T + V^{(2)}$$

Hamiltonian,
extendable to 3-body
etc.

$$G_{11'}(t - t') = -i \langle T \psi(1) \bar{\psi}(1') \rangle \quad 1 = \{\xi_1, t\}$$

**Single-particle
propagator**

Fourier transform:
Spectral
expansion

$$G_{11'}(\varepsilon) = \sum_n \frac{\eta_1^n \bar{\eta}_{1'}^{n*}}{\varepsilon - \varepsilon_n^+ + i\delta} + \sum_m \frac{\chi_1^m \bar{\chi}_{1'}^{m*}}{\varepsilon + \varepsilon_m^- - i\delta}$$

Residues - spectroscopic
(occupation) factors

$$\eta_1^n = \langle 0^{(N)} | \psi_1 | n^{(N+1)} \rangle \quad \chi_1^m = \langle m^{(N-1)} | \psi_1 | 0^{(N)} \rangle$$

Ground state of
N particles

(Excited) state
of (N+1) particles

Poles - single-particle
energies

$$R_{12,1'2'}(t - t') = -i \langle T (\bar{\psi}_1 \psi_2)(t) (\bar{\psi}_{2'} \psi_{1'})(t') \rangle$$

**Particle-hole response
function**

Fourier transform: Spectral
expansion

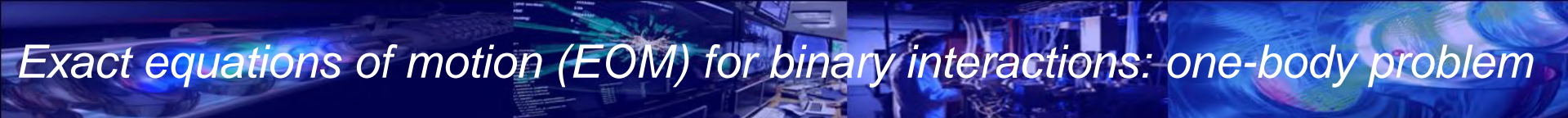
$$R_{12,1'2'}(\omega) = \sum_{\nu > 0} \left[\frac{\rho_{21}^\nu \bar{\rho}_{2'1'}^{\nu*}}{\omega - \omega_\nu + i\delta} - \frac{\bar{\rho}_{12}^{\nu*} \rho_{1'2'}}{\omega + \omega_\nu - i\delta} \right]$$

Residues - transition
densities

Excitation
energies

$$\rho_{12}^\nu = \langle 0 | \bar{\psi}_2 \psi_1 | \nu \rangle$$

Poles - excitation energies



Exact equations of motion (EOM) for binary interactions: one-body problem

One-fermion propagator

$$G_{11'}(t - t') = -i \langle T \psi(1) \bar{\psi}(1') \rangle$$

EOM: Dyson Eq.

$$G(\omega) = G^{(0)}(\omega) + G^{(0)}(\omega) \Sigma(\omega) G(\omega) \quad (*) \quad \Sigma(\omega) = \Sigma^{(0)} + \Sigma^{(r)}(\omega)$$

Irreducible kernel (Self-energy, exact):

Instantaneous term (Hartree-Fock incl. "tadpole")
Short-range correlations

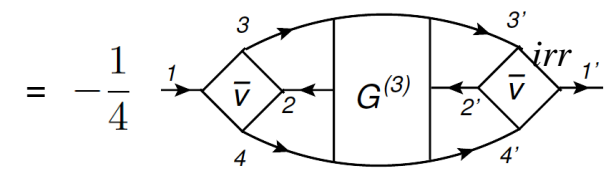
$$\Sigma_{11'}^{(0)} = - \langle \gamma^0 \{ [V, \psi_1], \bar{\psi}_{1'} \} \gamma^0 \rangle$$

$$= \sum_{22'} \bar{v}_{121'2'} \langle \bar{\psi}_2 \psi_{2'} \rangle = \text{Diagram: } \begin{array}{c} \text{circle with } \rho_{2'2} \text{ and arrow} \\ \text{square with } \bar{v} \end{array}$$

t-dependent (dynamical) term (symmetric version): **Long-range correlations**

$$\Sigma_{11'}^{(r)} = i \langle T \gamma^0 [V, \psi_1](t) [V, \bar{\psi}_{1'}](t') \gamma^0 \rangle^{irr}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4} \sum_{234} \sum_{2'3'4'} \bar{v}_{1234} G_{432', 23'4'}^{(3)irr}(t - t') \bar{v}_{4'3'2'1'}$$



$$\rho_{11'} = -i \lim_{t=t'-0} G_{11'}(t - t')$$

is the full solution of (*):
includes the dynamical term!

Koltun-Migdal-Galitsky sum rule: **the binding energy**

"Ab-initio DFT":

$$E_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\bar{\epsilon}_F} d\epsilon \sum_{12} (T_{12} + \epsilon \delta_{12}) \text{Im} G_{21}(\epsilon)$$

Equation of motion (EOM) for the particle-hole response

Particle-hole propagator
(response function):

$$R_{12,1'2'}(t - t') = -i \langle T(\bar{\psi}_1 \psi_2)(t) (\bar{\psi}_{2'} \psi_{1'})(t') \rangle$$

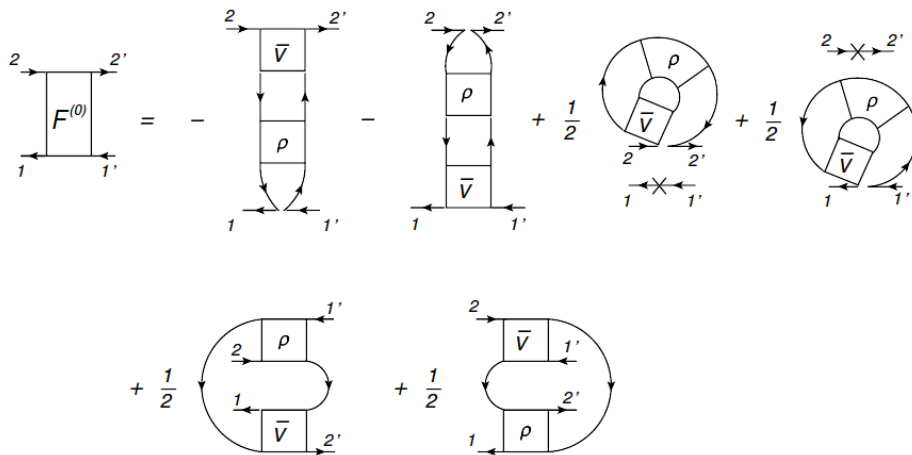
spectra of excitations,
masses, decays, ...

EOM: Bethe-Salpeter-Dyson Eq.

$$R(\omega) = R^{(0)}(\omega) + R^{(0)}(\omega)F(\omega)R(\omega) \quad (**) \quad F(t - t') = F^{(0)}\delta(t - t') + F^{(r)}(t - t')$$

Irreducible kernel (exact):

Instantaneous term (“bosonic” mean field):
Short-range correlations

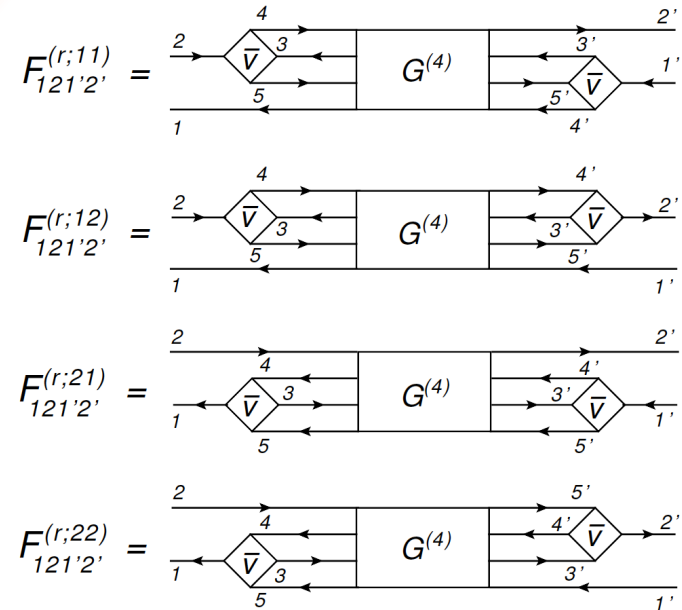


Self-consistent mean field $F^{(0)}$, where

$$\rho_{12,1'2'} = \delta_{22'}\rho_{11'} - i \lim_{t' \rightarrow t+0} R_{2'1,21'}(t - t')$$

contains the full solution of (**) including the dynamical term!

t -dependent (dynamical) term:
Long-range correlations



$$F_{12,1'2'}^{(r)}(t - t') = \sum_{ij} F_{12,1'2'}^{(r;ij)}(t - t')$$

Non-perturbative treatment of two-point $G^{(n)}$ in the dynamical kernels

• **Quantum many-body problem in a nutshell:** Direct EOM for $G^{(n)}$ generates $G^{(n+2)}$ in the (symmetric) dynamical kernels and further high-rank correlation functions (CFs); an equivalent of the BBGKY hierarchy. $N_{\text{Equations}} = N_{\text{Particles}} \& \text{ Coupled}$ 🙈 !!! *Truncation on two-body level*

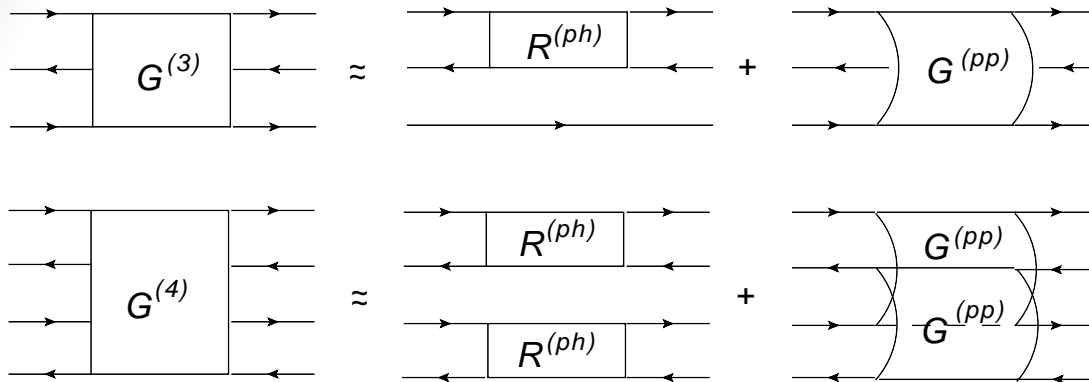
“Self-consistent GFs” This work

• **Non-perturbative solution:**

$$\blacklozenge G^{(3)} = G^{(1)} G^{(1)} G^{(1)} + G^{(2)} G^{(1)} + \Xi^{(3)}$$

Cluster decomposition

$$\blacklozenge G^{(4)} = G^{(1)} G^{(1)} G^{(1)} G^{(1)} + G^{(2)} G^{(2)} + \cancel{G^{(3)} G^{(1)}} + \cancel{\Xi^{(4)}}$$



• P. C. Martin and J. S. Schwinger, *Phys. Rev.* 115, 1342 (1959).

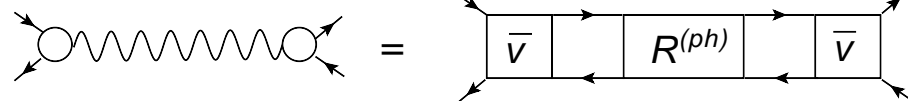
• N. Vinh Mau, *Trieste Lectures* 1069, 931 (1970)

• P. Danielewicz and P. Schuck, *Nucl. Phys.* A567, 78 (1994)

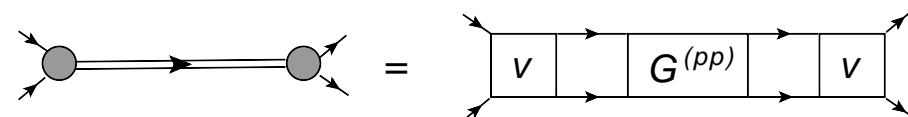
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Exact mapping: particle-hole (2q) quasibound states

Emergence of effective “particles” (phonons, vibrations):

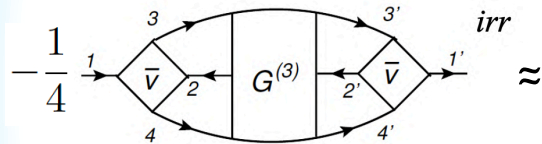


Emergence of superfluidity:

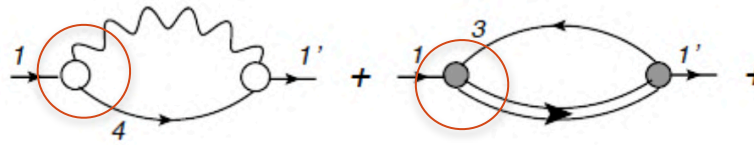


Emergence of effective degrees of freedom

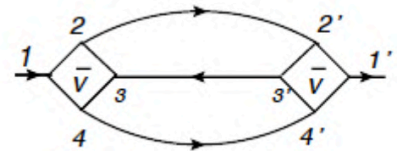
Dynamical self-energy $\Sigma^{(r)}$:



“Radiative-correction”



Second-order



Quasiparticle-vibration coupling (QVC)

Emergent phonon vertices and propagators: *calculable from the underlying H*, which does not contain phonon degrees of freedom

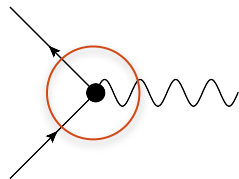
$$H = \sum_{12} h_{12} \psi_1^\dagger \psi_2 + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{1234} \bar{v}_{1234} \psi_1^\dagger \psi_2^\dagger \psi_4 \psi_3$$

“Ab-initio”

$$H = \sum_{12} \tilde{h}_{12} \psi_1^\dagger \psi_2 + \sum_{\lambda\lambda'} \mathcal{W}_{\lambda\lambda'} Q_\lambda^\dagger Q_{\lambda'} + \sum_{12\lambda} [\Theta_{12}^\lambda \psi_1^\dagger Q_\lambda^\dagger \psi_2 + h.c.]$$

Effective QVC

Cf.: The Standard Model elementary interaction vertices: boson-exchange interaction is the *input*:



$$\gamma, g, W^\pm, Z^0$$

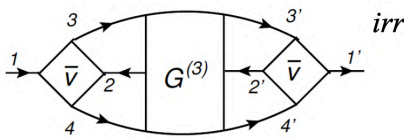
Possibly derivable?

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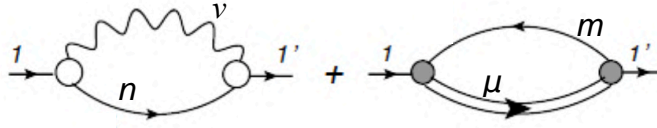
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Problems with approximate treatments: poles “mismatch”, (non)-positivity and optical theorem

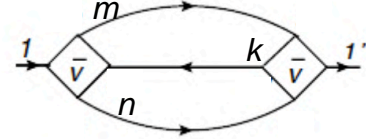
Dynamical self-energy:



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Second-order



Approximate:

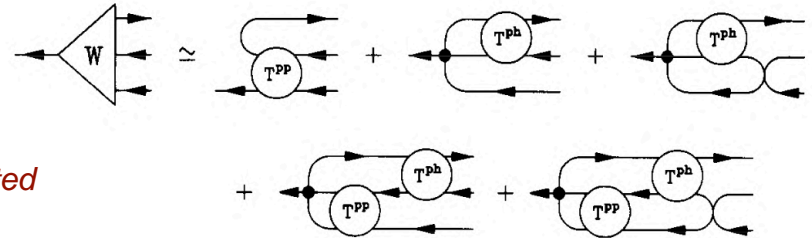
$$\Sigma_{11'}^{(r)+}(\omega) = \sum_{33'} \sum_{\nu n} \frac{\eta_3^n g_{13}^\nu g_{1'3'}^{\nu*} \eta_{3'}^{n*}}{\omega - \omega_\nu - \varepsilon_n^{(+)} + i\delta} + \sum_{22'} \sum_{\mu m} \frac{\chi_2^{m*} \gamma_{12}^{\mu(+)} \gamma_{1'2'}^{\mu(+)*} \chi_{2'}^m}{\omega - \omega_\mu^{(++)} - \varepsilon_m^{(-)} + i\delta} - \sum_{mnk} \frac{w_1^{mnk} w_{1'}^{mnk*}}{\omega - \varepsilon_m^+ - \varepsilon_n^+ - \varepsilon_k^- + i\delta}$$

Exact:

$$\Sigma_{11'}^{(r)+}(\omega) \sim \langle v G^{(3)+}(\omega) v \rangle_{11'}$$

• Watson-Faddeev series:
P. Danielewicz and P. Schuck,
Nucl. Phys. A567, 78 (1994):

$$G_{432', 23'4'}^{(3)+}(\omega) = \sum_{\kappa} \frac{\langle 0 | \bar{\psi}_2 \psi_4 \psi_3 | \kappa \rangle \langle \kappa | \bar{\psi}_3' \bar{\psi}_4' \psi_2' | 0 \rangle}{\omega - \omega_\kappa + i\delta}$$



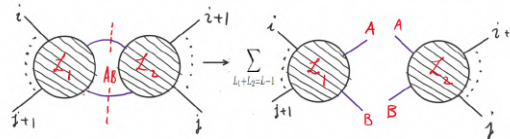
• 2p1h-RPA

P. Schuck, F. Villars and P. Ring
Nucl. Phys. A208, 302 (1973)

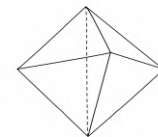
To be implemented
for nuclei

Scattering amplitudes in particle physics
(Yang-Mills theories etc.):

- Positivity preserved when eliminating all the virtual particles
- Amplitudes \Leftrightarrow Polyhedron “living” in the kinematic space
- Emergent unitarity



Amplitude is a volume of polyhedron



Each face labeled by $\langle abcd \rangle$

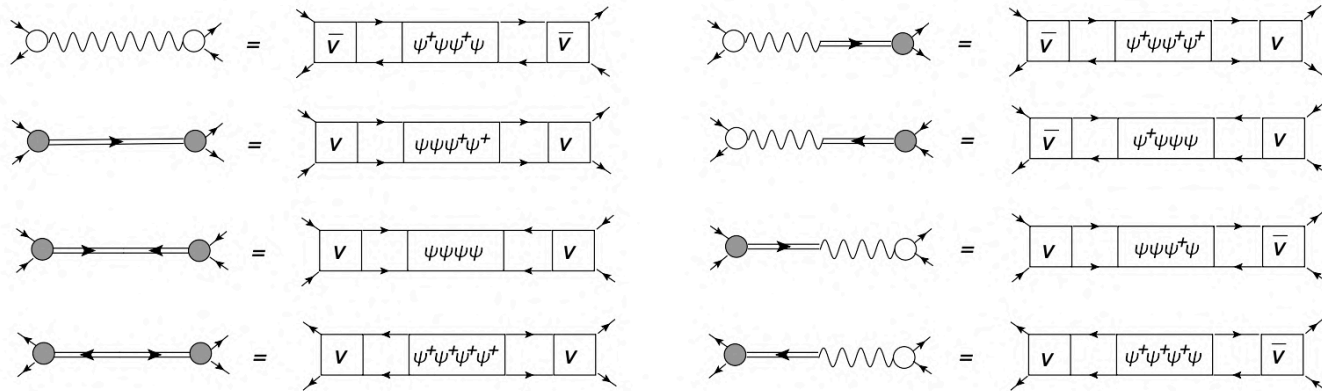
$$\frac{\langle 1345 \rangle^3}{\langle 1234 \rangle \langle 1245 \rangle \langle 2345 \rangle \langle 1235 \rangle} \quad \frac{\langle 1356 \rangle^3}{\langle 1235 \rangle \langle 1256 \rangle \langle 2356 \rangle \langle 1236 \rangle}$$

N. Arkani-Hamed, J. Trnka, A. Hodges et al.

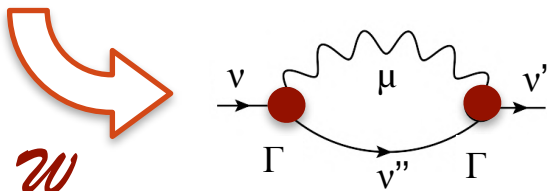
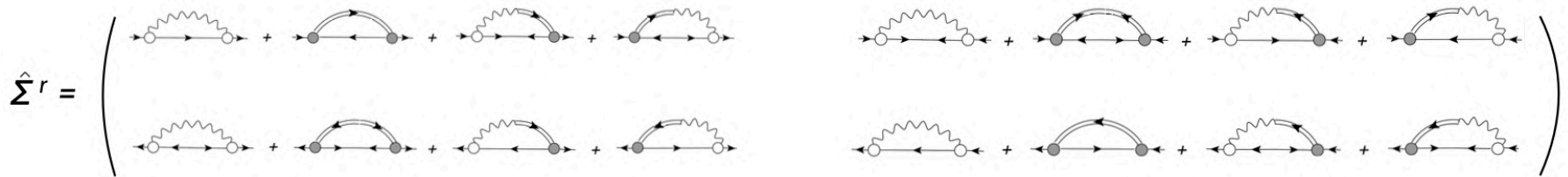
QVC in superfluid systems

Superfluid dynamical kernel: adding particle-number violating contributions

Mapping on the QVC in the canonical basis



Quasiparticle dynamical self-energy (matrix): normal and pairing phonons are unified



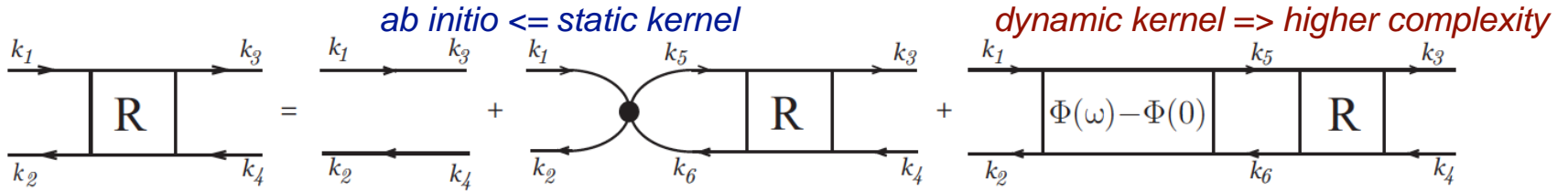
Bogoliubov transformation

E.L., Y. Zhang, PRC 104, 044303 (2021)
Y. Zhang et al., PRC 105, 044326 (2022)

Cf.: Quasiparticle static self-energy (matrix) in HFB

$$\hat{\Sigma}^0 = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\Sigma}_{11'} & \Delta_{11'} \\ -\Delta_{11'}^* & -\tilde{\Sigma}_{11'}^T \end{pmatrix}$$

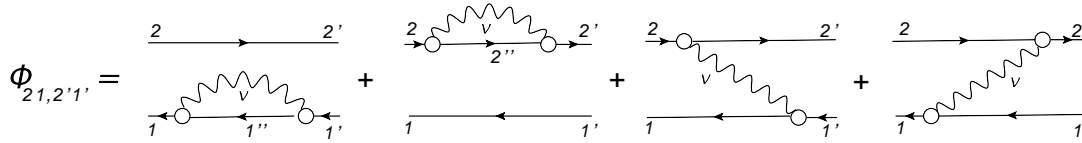
Nuclear response: toward a complete theory



Dyson-Bethe-Salpeter Equation:

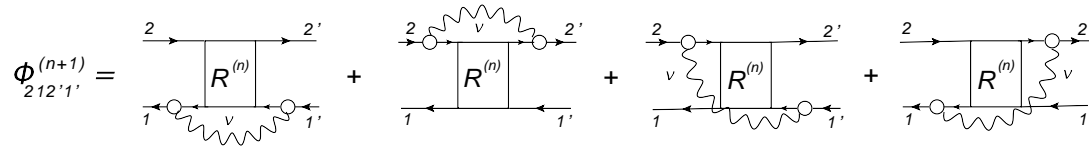
$$R(\omega) = R^0(\omega) + R^0(\omega) [V + \Phi(\omega) - \Phi(0)] R(\omega)$$

Conventional NFT



Subtraction for effective interactions (Tselyaev 2013)

Extended NFT:



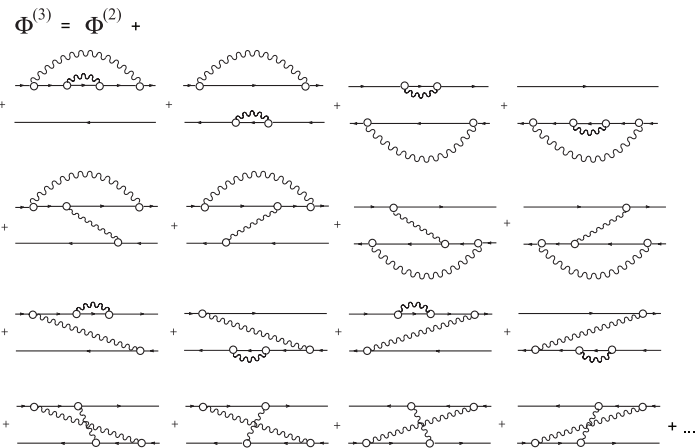
Generalized approach for the correlated propagators

n-th order: E.L. PRC 91, 034332 (2015)

Ab-initio formulation,

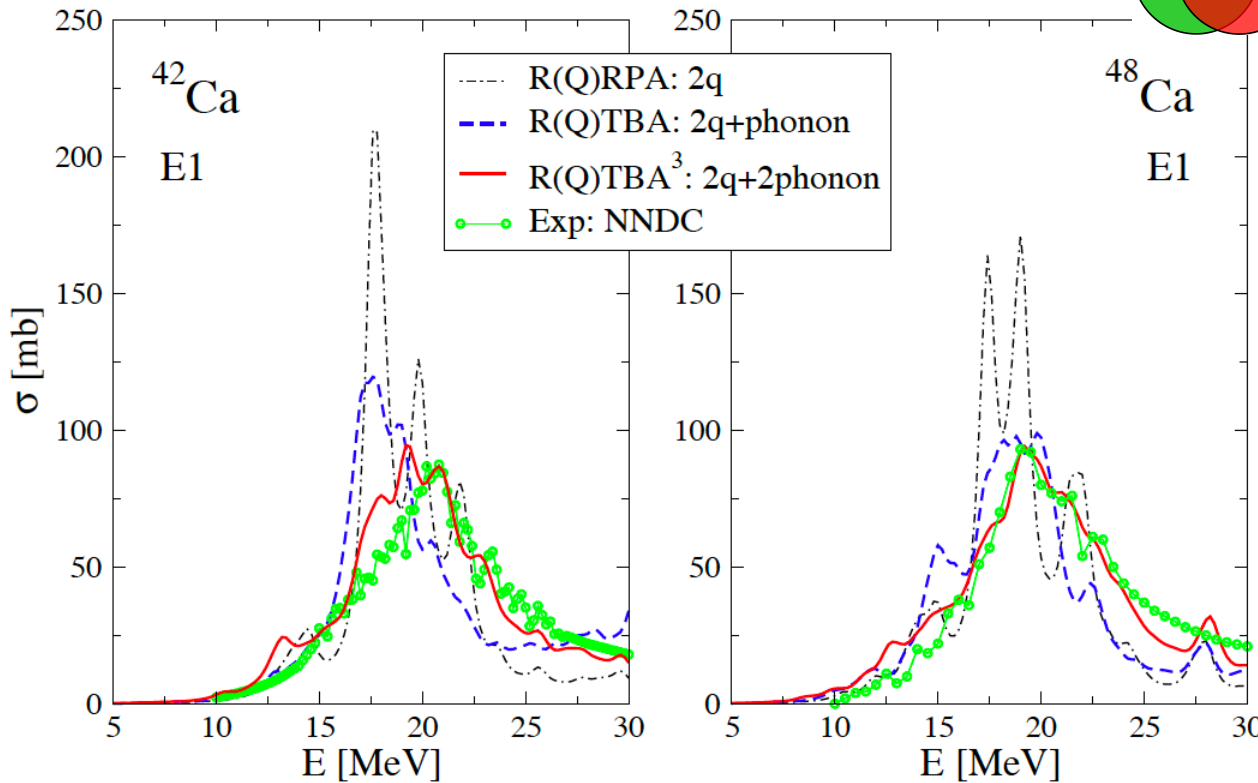
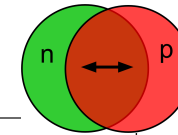
$\Phi^{(3)}$ implementation; 2q+2phonon correlations:

E.L., P. Schuck, PRC 100, 064320 (2019)



RQTBA³ with correlated 3p3h configurations: 2q+2phonon

Giant Dipole Resonance in Ca isotopes



• The new complex configurations 2q+2phonon included for the first time enforce fragmentation and spreading toward higher and lower energies, thus, modifying both giant and pygmy dipole resonances;

• Exp. Data: V.A. Erokhova et al., Bull. Rus. Acad. Phys. 67, 1636 (2003)

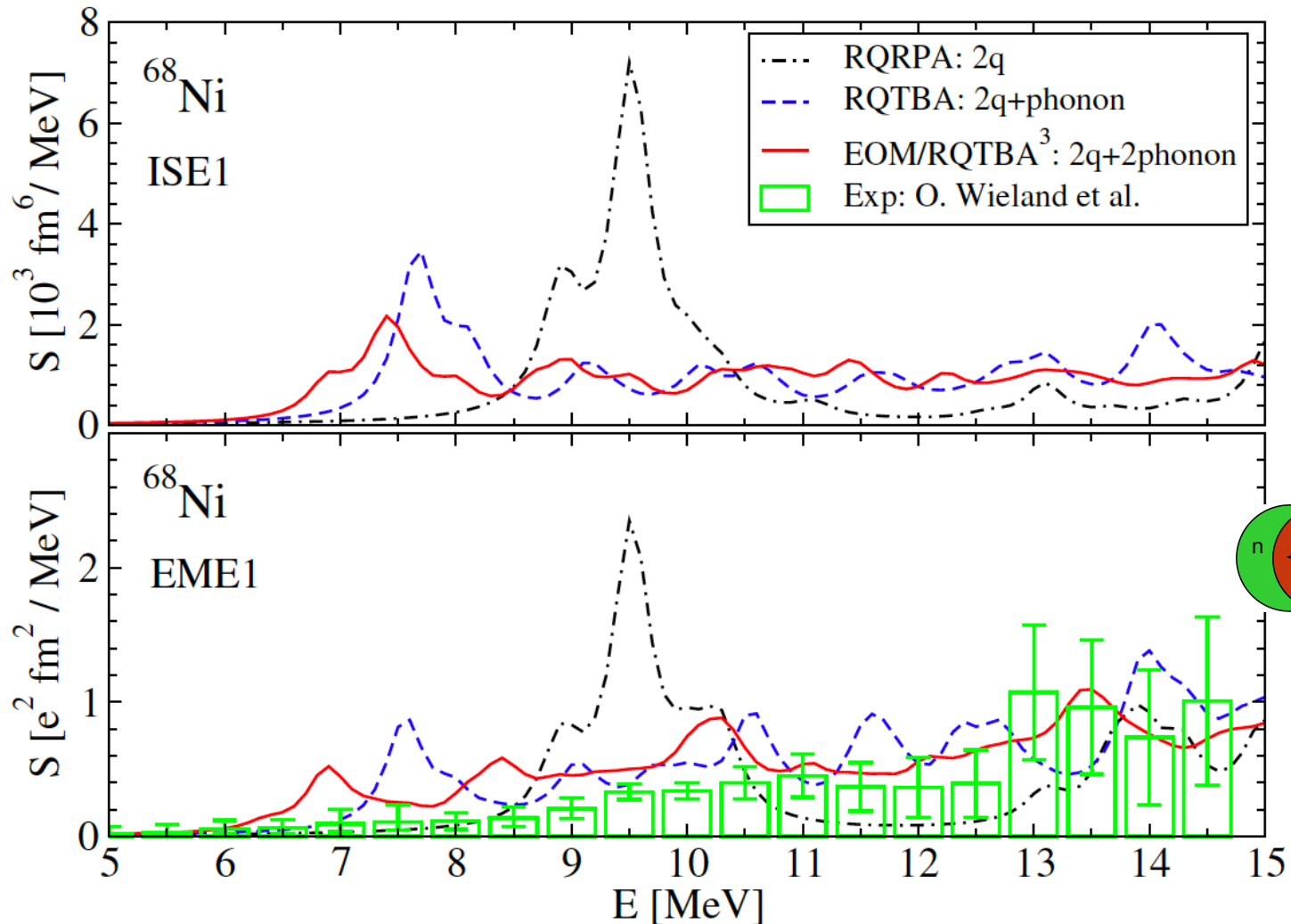
• RQTBA³ demonstrates an overall systematic improvement of the description of nuclear excited states heading toward spectroscopic accuracy without strong limitations on masses and excitation energies.

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Interaction kernel:
($n = 2$)

$$\Phi_{212'1'}^{(n+1)} = \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{2} \\ \xrightarrow{1} \end{array} \left[\begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{2'} \\ \xrightarrow{1'} \end{array} \right] \\ \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{2} \\ \xrightarrow{1} \end{array} \end{array} R^{(n)} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{2'} \\ \xrightarrow{1'} \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{2} \\ \xrightarrow{1} \end{array} \left[\begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{2'} \\ \xrightarrow{1'} \end{array} \right] \\ \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{2} \\ \xrightarrow{1} \end{array} \end{array} R^{(n)} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{2'} \\ \xrightarrow{1'} \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{2} \\ \xrightarrow{1} \end{array} \left[\begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{2'} \\ \xrightarrow{1'} \end{array} \right] \\ \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{2} \\ \xrightarrow{1} \end{array} \end{array} R^{(n)} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{2'} \\ \xrightarrow{1'} \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{2} \\ \xrightarrow{1} \end{array} \left[\begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{2'} \\ \xrightarrow{1'} \end{array} \right] \\ \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{2} \\ \xrightarrow{1} \end{array} \end{array} R^{(n)} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{2'} \\ \xrightarrow{1'} \end{array}$$

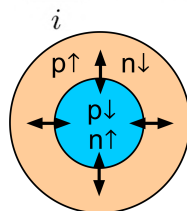
Low-Energy dipole strength distribution: IS vs EM



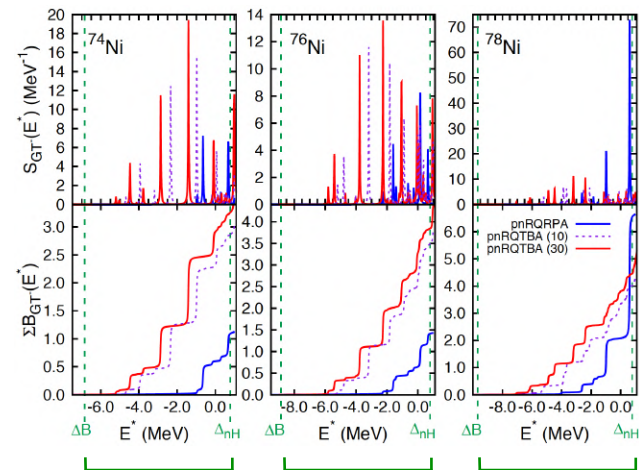
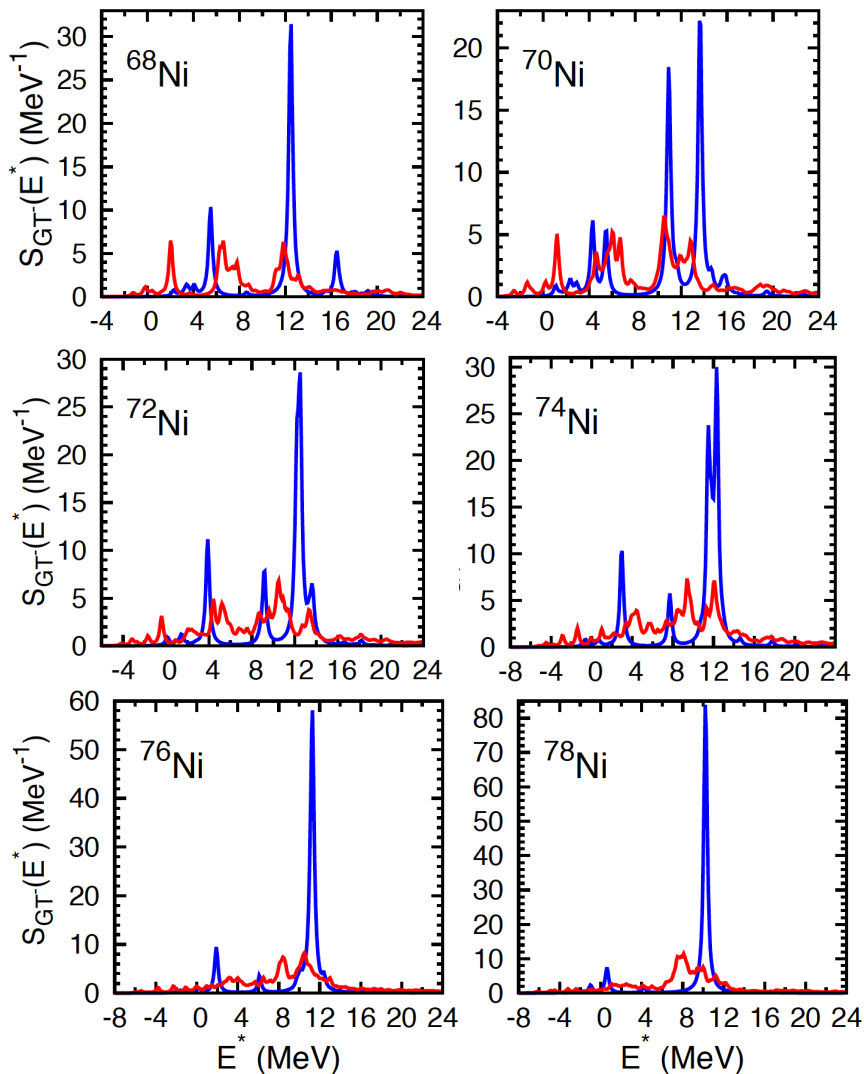
Spin-isospin excitations (Gamow-Teller resonance) 2q+phonon configurations in the dynamical kernel (pn-RQTBA)

Overall strength

$$P = \sum_i \sigma^{(i)} \tau_{\pm}^{(i)}$$

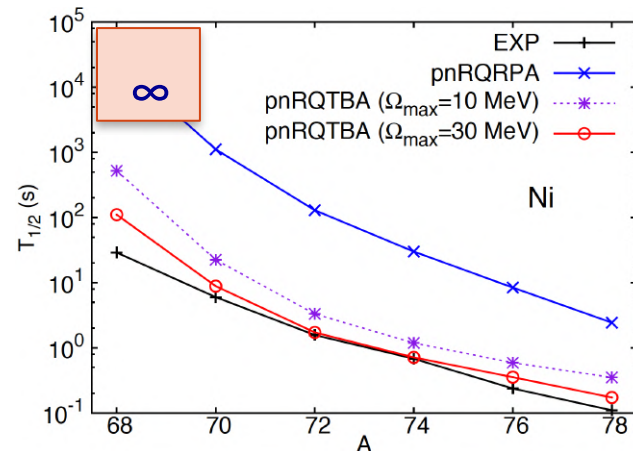


Low-energy part: Q_{β} window



Q_{β} Q_{β} Q_{β}

$$\frac{1}{T_{1/2}} = \sum_m \lambda_{if}^m = D^{-1} g_A^2 \sum_m \int dE_e \left| \sum_{pn} \langle 1_{\lambda}^+ || \sigma \tau_{-} || 0^+ \rangle \right|^2 \frac{dn_m}{dE_e}$$



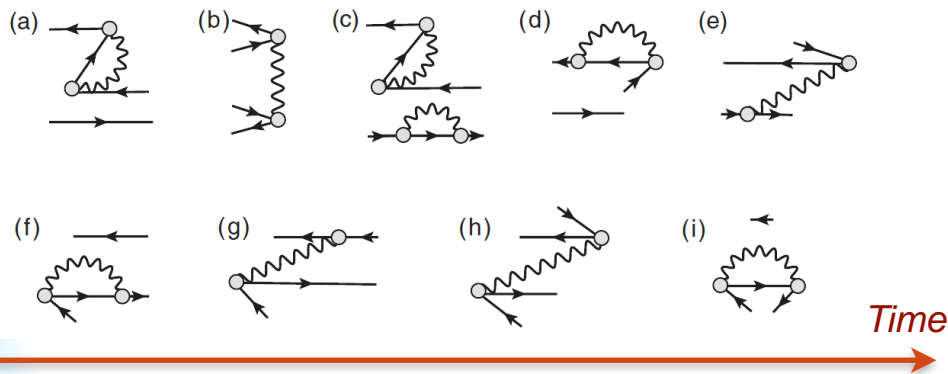
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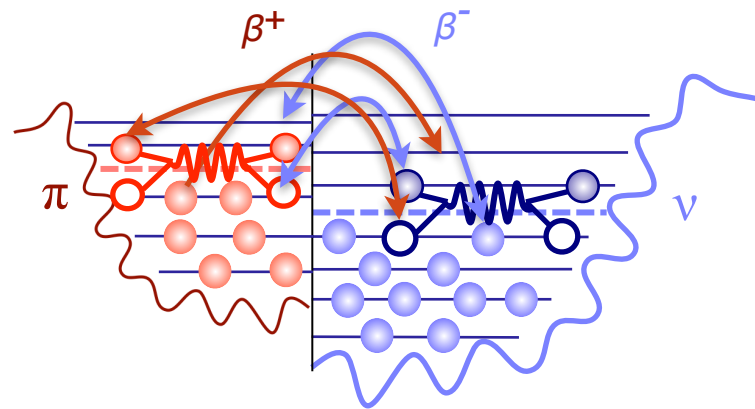
No fits, no artificial quenching,
no adjustable proton-neutron pairing

More correlations: Emergent "time machine"

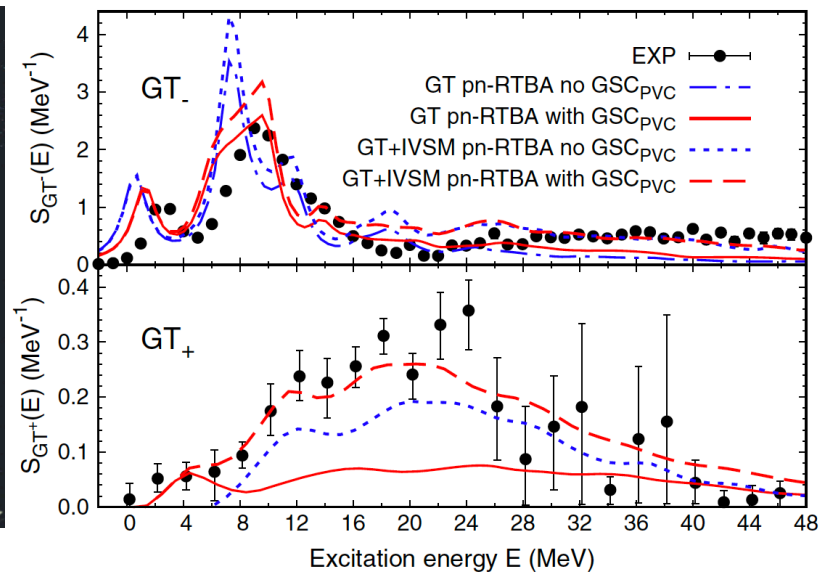
Ground state correlations induced by QVC:
backward-going diagrams (V. Tselyaev, 1989)



New unblocking mechanism:



Gamow-Teller strength in 90-Zr:



The backward-going diagrams are solely responsible
for the β^+ strength in neutron-rich nuclei

C. Robin, E.L., *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 123, 202501 (2019)

Finite-temperature response: the ph+phonon dynamical kernel

$$R_{12,1'2'}(t-t') = -i\langle \mathcal{T}(\bar{\psi}_1\psi_2)(t)(\bar{\psi}_{2'}\psi_{1'})(t') \rangle \rightarrow -i\langle \mathcal{T}(\bar{\psi}_1\psi_2)(t)(\bar{\psi}_{2'}\psi_{1'})(t') \rangle_T$$

$$\langle \dots \rangle \equiv \langle 0|\dots|0 \rangle \rightarrow \langle \dots \rangle_T \equiv \sum_n \exp\left(\frac{\Omega - E_n - \mu N}{T}\right) \langle n|\dots|n \rangle$$

averages



thermal averages

**Method: EOM
for Matsubara
Green's functions**



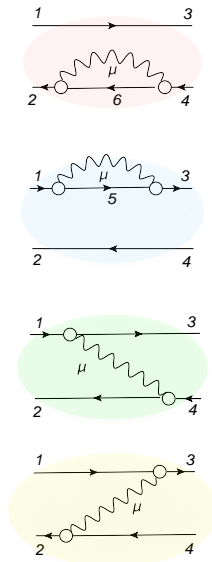
$$\mathcal{R}_{14,23}(\omega, T) = \tilde{\mathcal{R}}_{14,23}^0(\omega, T) + \sum_{1'2'3'4'} \tilde{\mathcal{R}}_{12',21'}^0(\omega, T) [\tilde{V}_{1'4',2'3'}(T) + \delta\Phi_{1'4',2'3'}(\omega, T)] \mathcal{R}_{3'4,4'3}(\omega, T)$$

$$\delta\Phi_{1'4',2'3'}(\omega, T) = \Phi_{1'4',2'3'}(\omega, T) - \Phi_{1'4',2'3'}(0, T)$$

$T > 0:$

$$\Phi_{14,23}^{(ph)}(\omega, T) = \frac{1}{n_{43}(T)} \sum_{\mu; \eta_{\mu} = \pm 1} \eta_{\mu} \left[\delta_{13} \sum_6 \gamma_{\mu;62}^{\eta_{\mu}} \gamma_{\mu;64}^{\eta_{\mu}*} \times \frac{(N(\eta_{\mu}\Omega_{\mu}) + n_6(T))(n(\varepsilon_6 - \eta_{\mu}\Omega_{\mu}, T) - n_1(T))}{\omega - \varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_6 - \eta_{\mu}\Omega_{\mu}} + \delta_{24} \sum_5 \gamma_{\mu;15}^{\eta_{\mu}} \gamma_{\mu;35}^{\eta_{\mu}*} \times \frac{(N(\eta_{\mu}\Omega_{\mu}) + n_2(T))(n(\varepsilon_2 - \eta_{\mu}\Omega_{\mu}, T) - n_5(T))}{\omega - \varepsilon_5 + \varepsilon_2 - \eta_{\mu}\Omega_{\mu}} - \gamma_{\mu;13}^{\eta_{\mu}} \gamma_{\mu;24}^{\eta_{\mu}*} \times \frac{(N(\eta_{\mu}\Omega_{\mu}) + n_2(T))(n(\varepsilon_2 - \eta_{\mu}\Omega_{\mu}, T) - n_3(T))}{\omega - \varepsilon_3 + \varepsilon_2 - \eta_{\mu}\Omega_{\mu}} - \gamma_{\mu;31}^{\eta_{\mu}*} \gamma_{\mu;42}^{\eta_{\mu}} \times \frac{(N(\eta_{\mu}\Omega_{\mu}) + n_4(T))(n(\varepsilon_4 - \eta_{\mu}\Omega_{\mu}, T) - n_1(T))}{\omega - \varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_4 - \eta_{\mu}\Omega_{\mu}} \right],$$

1p1h+phonon dynamical kernel:



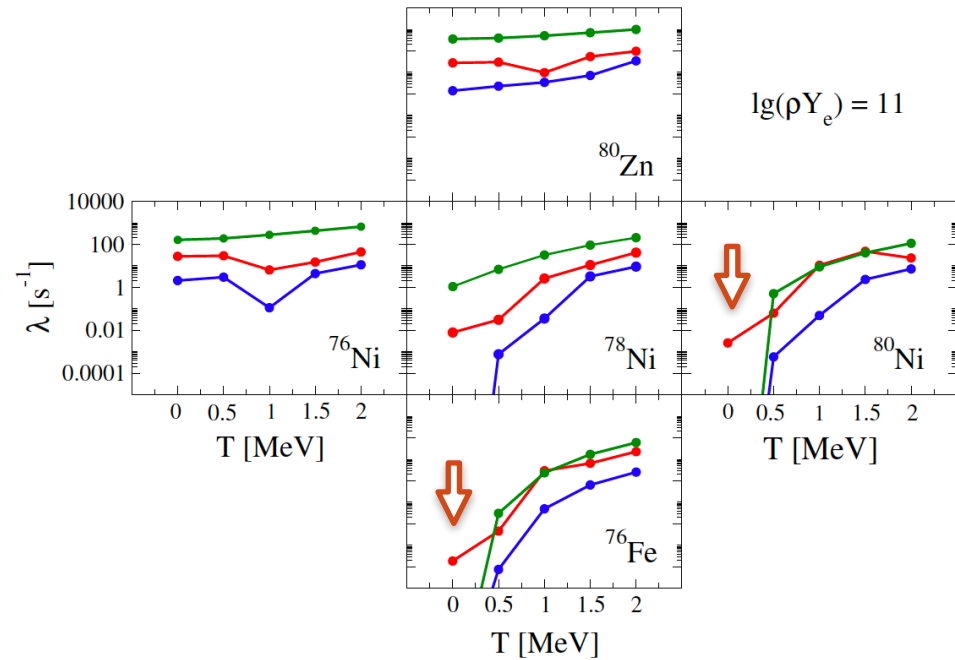
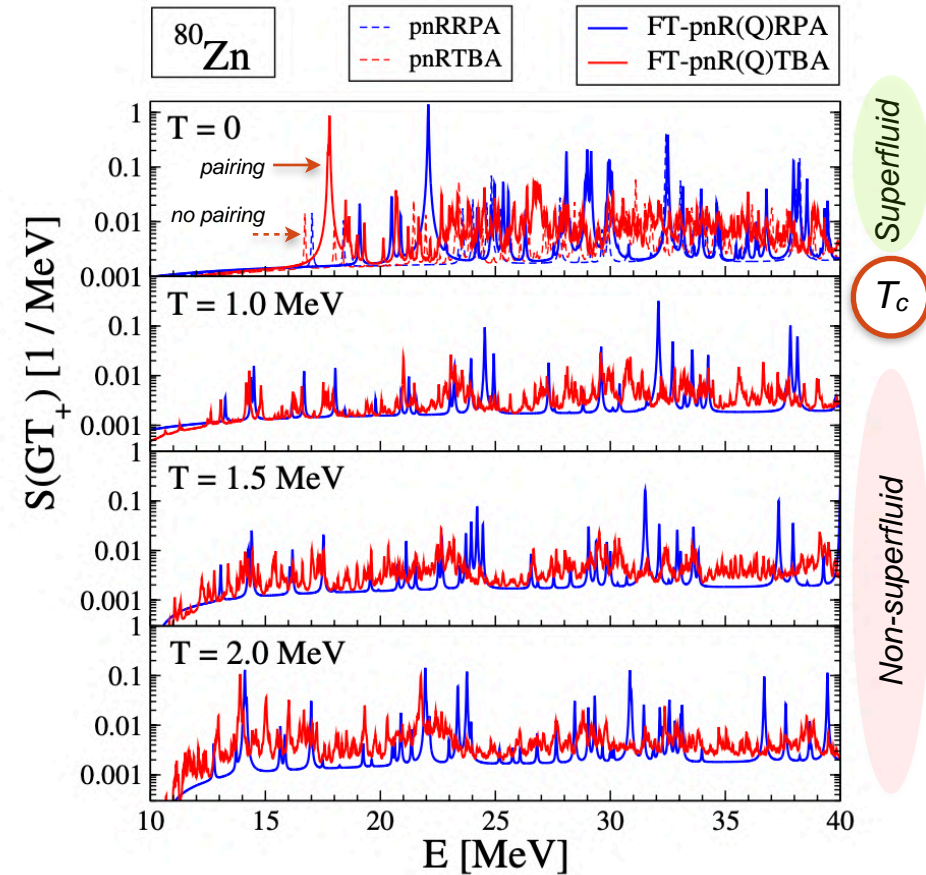
$T = 0:$

$$\Phi_{14,23}^{(ph,ph)}(\omega) = \sum_{\mu} \times \left[\delta_{13} \sum_6 \frac{\gamma_{62}^{\mu} \gamma_{64}^{\mu*}}{\omega - \varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_6 - \Omega_{\mu}} + \delta_{24} \sum_5 \frac{\gamma_{15}^{\mu} \gamma_{35}^{\mu*}}{\omega - \varepsilon_5 + \varepsilon_2 - \Omega_{\mu}} - \frac{\gamma_{13}^{\mu} \gamma_{24}^{\mu*}}{\omega - \varepsilon_3 + \varepsilon_2 - \Omega_{\mu}} - \frac{\gamma_{31}^{\mu*} \gamma_{42}^{\mu}}{\omega - \varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_4 - \Omega_{\mu}} \right]$$

GT+ response and electron capture (EC) rates at $T > 0$: the neighborhood of ^{78}Ni

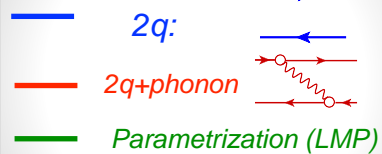
GT+ response

Electron capture rates around ^{78}Ni



Interplay of superfluidity and collective effects
in core-collapse supernovae:

- Amplifies the EC rates and, consequently,
- Reduces the electron-to-baryon ratio leading to lower pressure
- Promotes the gravitational collapse
- Increases the neutrino flux and effective cooling
- Allows heavy nuclei to survive the collapse



E.L., C. Robin, H. Wibowo, PLB 800,
135134 (2020)

E.L., P. Schuck, PRC 104, 044330 (2021)

E.L., C. Robin, PRC 103, 024326 (2021)

Formalism at $T > 0$: the pairing channel

Averages redefined:

$$G_{12,1'2'}(t - t') = -i \langle \mathcal{T}(\psi_1 \psi_2)(t) (\bar{\psi}_{2'} \bar{\psi}_{1'})(t') \rangle \rightarrow -i \langle \mathcal{T}(\psi_1 \psi_2)(t) (\bar{\psi}_{2'} \bar{\psi}_{1'})(t') \rangle_T$$

Grand Canonical average: $\langle \dots \rangle \equiv \langle 0 | \dots | 0 \rangle \rightarrow \langle \dots \rangle_T \equiv \sum_n \exp\left(\frac{\Omega - E_n - \mu N}{T}\right) \langle n | \dots | n \rangle$

Matsubara imaginary-time formalism: temperature-dependent dynamical kernel

Direct:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{K}_{121'2'}^{(r;11)}(\omega_n) &= - \sum_{\nu'\nu''} w_{\nu'} w_{\nu''} \\ &\times \left[\sum_{\nu\mu} \frac{\Theta_{121'2'}^{\mu\nu;\nu'\nu''(+)} }{i\omega_n - \omega_{\nu\nu'} - \omega_{\mu\nu''}^{(++)}} (e^{-(\omega_{\nu\nu'} + \omega_{\mu\nu''}^{(++)})/T} - 1) \right. \\ &\left. - \sum_{\nu\kappa} \frac{\Theta_{121'2'}^{\kappa\nu;\nu'\nu''(-)} }{i\omega_n + \omega_{\nu\nu'} + \omega_{\kappa\nu''}^{(--)}} (e^{-(\omega_{\nu\nu'} + \omega_{\kappa\nu''}^{(--)})/T} - 1) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Exchange:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{K}_{121'2'}^{(r;12)}(\omega_n) &= \sum_{\nu'\nu''} w_{\nu'} w_{\nu''} \\ &\times \left[\sum_{\nu\mu} \frac{\Sigma_{121'2'}^{\mu\nu;\nu'\nu''(+)} }{i\omega_n - \omega_{\nu\nu'} - \omega_{\mu\nu''}^{(++)}} (e^{-(\omega_{\nu\nu'} + \omega_{\mu\nu''}^{(++)})/T} - 1) \right. \\ &\left. - \sum_{\nu\kappa} \frac{\Sigma_{121'2'}^{\kappa\nu;\nu'\nu''(-)} }{i\omega_n + \omega_{\nu\nu'} + \omega_{\kappa\nu''}^{(--)}} (e^{-(\omega_{\nu\nu'} + \omega_{\kappa\nu''}^{(--)})/T} - 1) \right], \end{aligned}$$

E.L., P.Schuck, Phys. Rev. C 104, 044330 (2021)

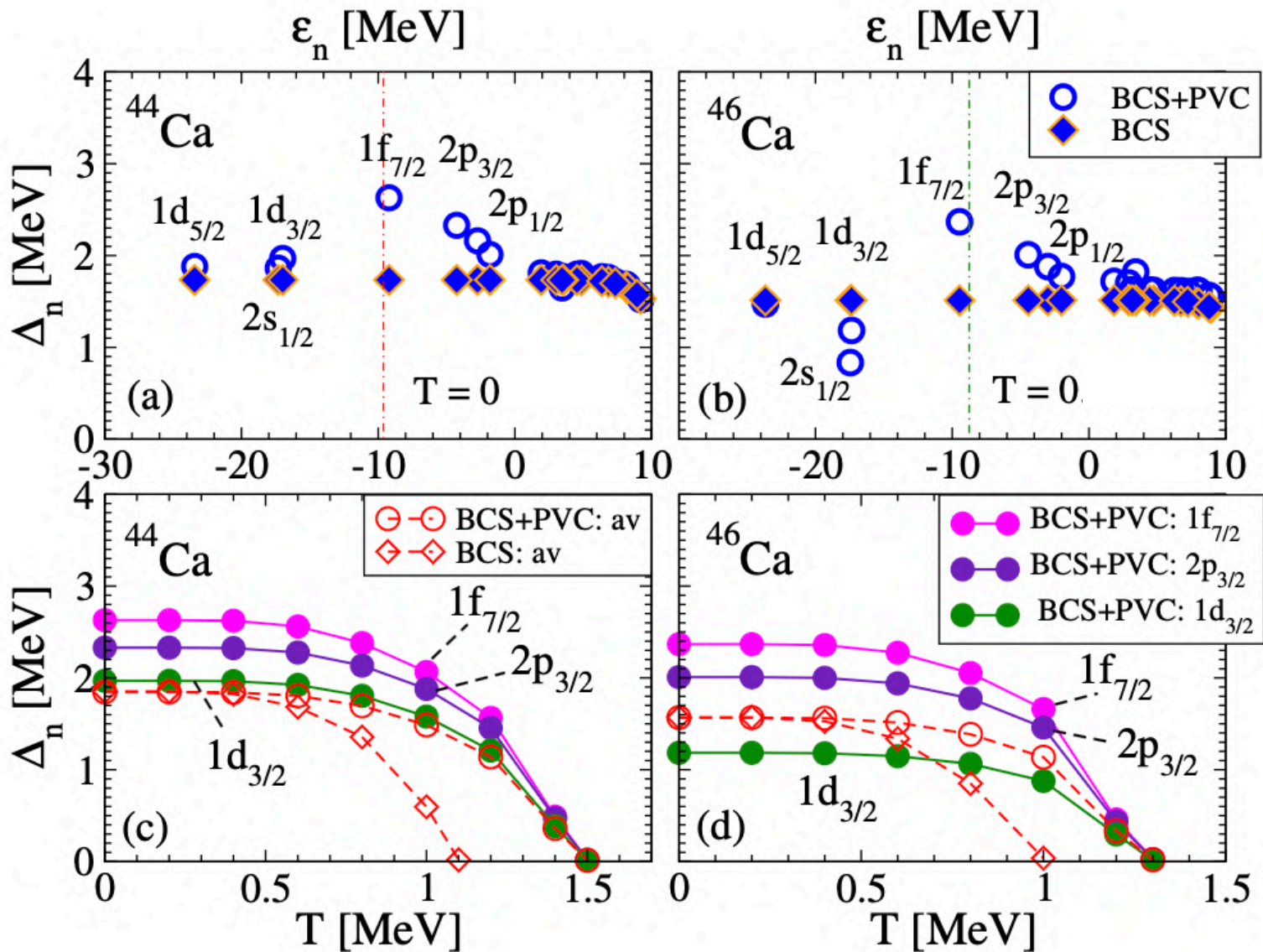
BCS-like gap Eq., but with non-trivial T -dependence in $K^{(r)}$:

$$\Delta_1(T) = - \sum_2 \nu_{1\bar{1}2\bar{2}} \frac{\Delta_2(T)(1 - 2f_2(T))}{2E_2}$$

$$f_1(T) = \frac{1}{\exp(E_1/T) + 1}$$

$$\mathcal{V}_{121'2'} = \frac{1}{2} \left(K_{121'2'}^{(0)} + K_{121'2'}^{(r)}(2\lambda) \right)$$

Pairing gap at $T = 0$, $T > 0$ and critical temperature



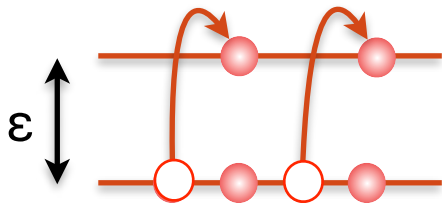
Lipkin Hamiltonian on quantum computer

The algorithm: Variational Quantum Eigensolver (VQE) + quantum EOM (qEOM)

- VQE: a minimal encoding scheme is found (“J-scheme”) and implemented, based on the symmetry of the LMG Hamiltonian. Yields an accurate ground state $|0\rangle$.
- qEOM generates efficiently the EOM matrix:

Two-level
Lipkin Hamiltonian:
exactly solvable

$$\hat{H} = \epsilon \hat{J}_z - \frac{v}{2} (\hat{J}_+^2 + \hat{J}_-^2)$$



Generalized eigenvalue equation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & \mathcal{B} \\ \mathcal{B}^* & \mathcal{A}^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X^n \\ Y^n \end{bmatrix} = E_{0n} \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{C} & \mathcal{D} \\ -\mathcal{D}^* & -\mathcal{C}^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X^n \\ Y^n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{\mu\alpha\nu\beta} = \langle 0 | \left[\left(\hat{K}_{\mu\alpha}^\alpha \right)^\dagger, [\hat{H}, \hat{K}_{\nu\beta}^\beta] \right] | 0 \rangle$$

$$\mathcal{B}_{\mu\alpha\nu\beta} = -\langle 0 | \left[\left(\hat{K}_{\mu\alpha}^\alpha \right)^\dagger, [\hat{H}, \left(\hat{K}_{\nu\beta}^\beta \right)^\dagger] \right] | 0 \rangle$$

$$\mathcal{C}_{\mu\alpha\nu\beta} = \langle 0 | \left[\left(\hat{K}_{\mu\alpha}^\alpha \right)^\dagger, \hat{K}_{\nu\beta}^\beta \right] | 0 \rangle$$

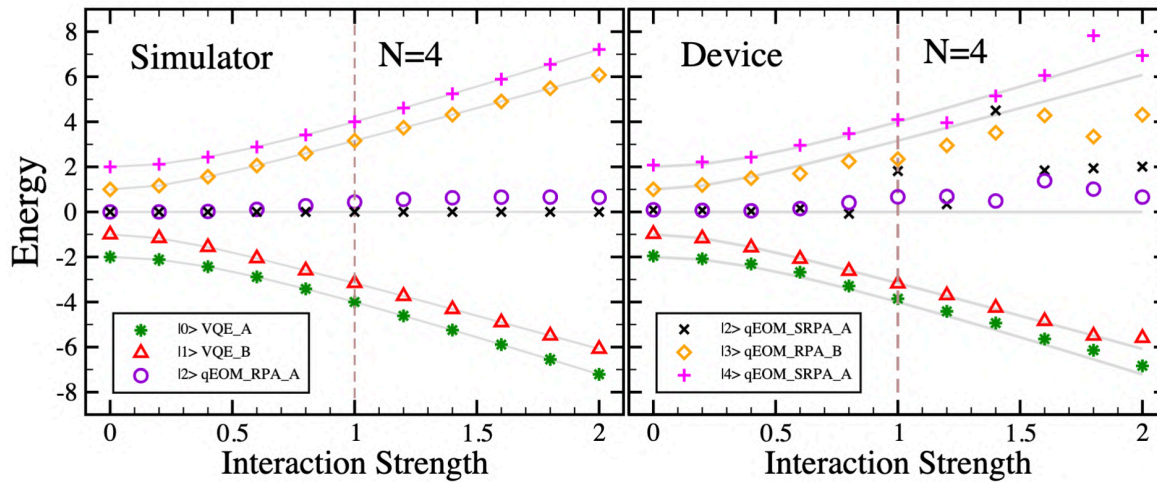
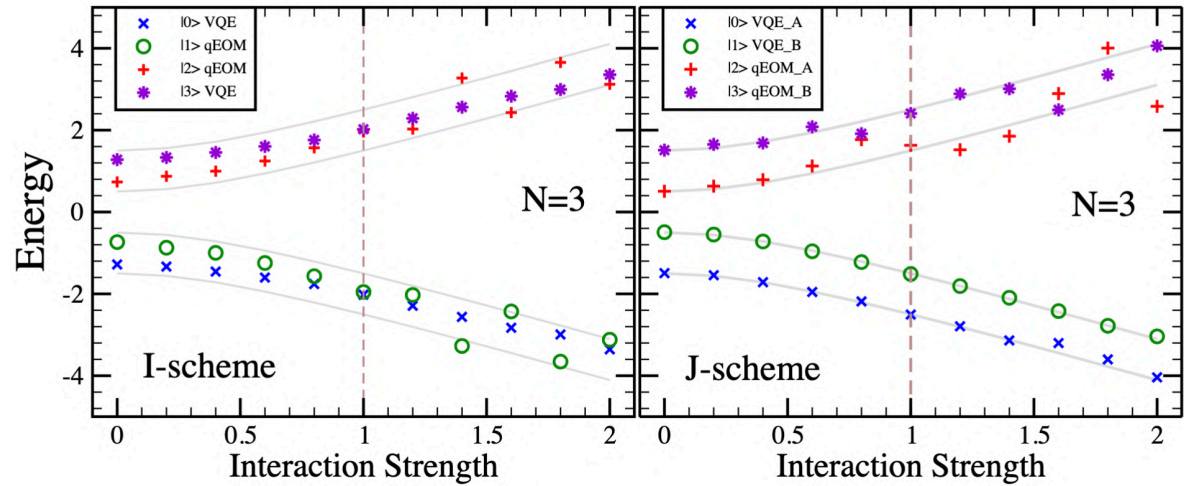
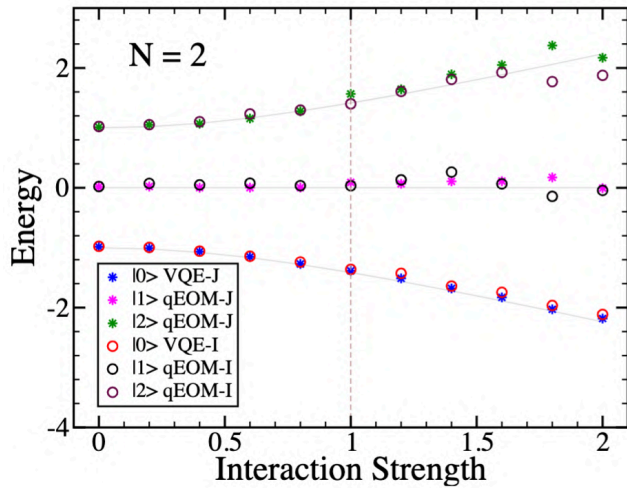
$$\mathcal{D}_{\mu\alpha\nu\beta} = -\langle 0 | \left[\left(\hat{K}_{\mu\alpha}^\alpha \right)^\dagger, \left(\hat{K}_{\nu\beta}^\beta \right)^\dagger \right] | 0 \rangle.$$

Excitation operator: complexity α , K^α

$$\hat{K}_{\mu_1}^1 = a_i^\dagger a_{j'} \quad \hat{K}_{\mu_2}^2 = a_i^\dagger a_j^\dagger a_{j'} a_{i'}$$

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Lipkin Hamiltonian on quantum computer: hardware results



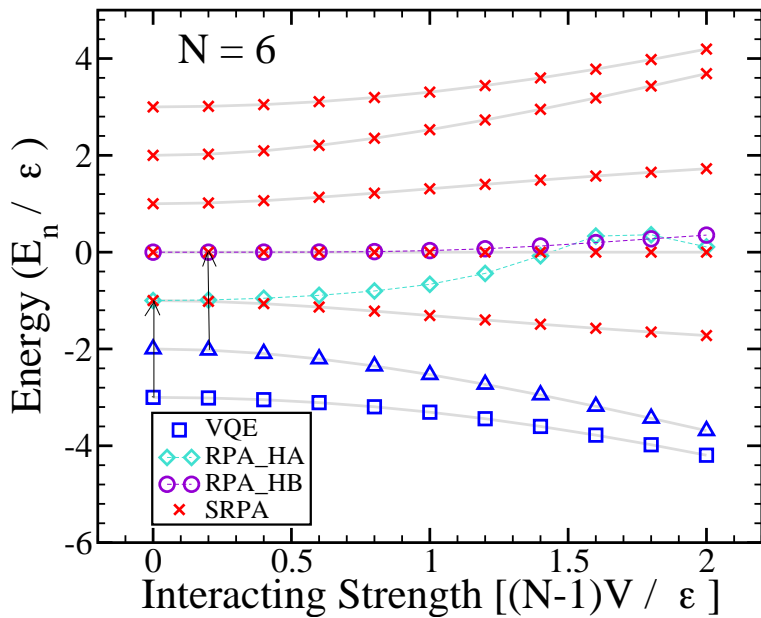
Conventions:

- n_q = number of states
- N = number of particles
- $v = v/\epsilon$ effective interaction strength
- I-scheme:** individual spin basis, $n_q = 2^N$
- J-scheme:** total spin basis (coupled form), symmetry: $n_q = N/2 + 1$

Observations:

- Higher-rank excitation \sim higher accuracy
- Stronger coupling \sim lower accuracy
- More particles \sim lower accuracy
- Less qubits \sim higher accuracy

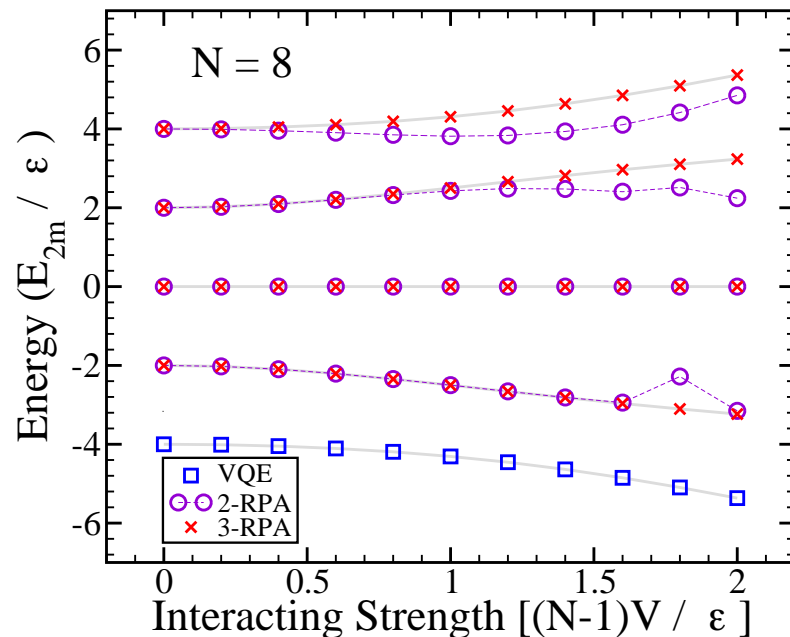
More particles, higher complexity (preliminary; simulator)



Second RPA vs RPA:
RPA breaks down early
in the strong-coupling regime

"Third" RPA and higher:
More accurate solutions,
tbd on a device

Quantum advantage:
The same Pauli strings
<XYZ> are to be measured
for $a = 1, 2, 3$





Outlook

Summary:

- The relativistic nuclear field theory (RNFT) is formulated and advanced in the Equation of Motion (EOM) framework, with the emphasis on *emergent collectivity*.
- The *emergent collective effects* renormalize interactions in correlated media, underly the spectral fragmentation mechanisms, affect superfluidity and weak decay rates.
- Relativistic NFT is *generalized to finite temperature* and applied to nuclear superfluidity.
- Weak rates at astrophysical conditions are extracted: *the correlations beyond mean field are found significant*.

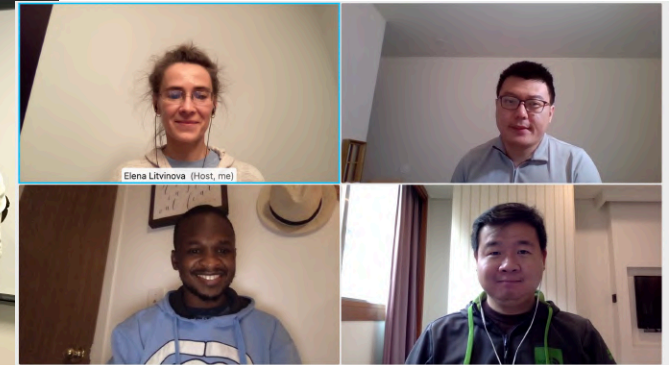
Current and future developments:

- *Deformed nuclei*: correlations vs shapes; first results just released (Yinu Zhang et al.);
- Efficient algorithms; *quantum computing* (Manqoba Hlatshwayo et al.);
- Implementation of the EC rates into the *core-collapse supernovae simulations*;
- Toward an “*ab initio*” description: implementations with bare NN-interactions;
- *Superfluid pairing at $T>0$* to extend the application range (r-process);
- *Relativistic EOM’s, bosonic EOM’s, beyond Standard Model, ...*

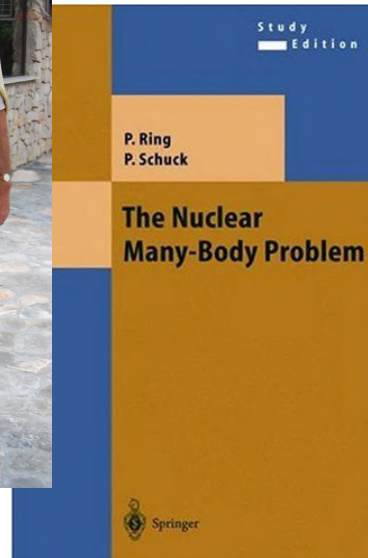


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A short article about the life of Lise Meitner can be found here.

Prize Winners 2018

The European Physical Society, through its Nuclear Physics Division, has awarded the 2018 Lise Meitner Prize to

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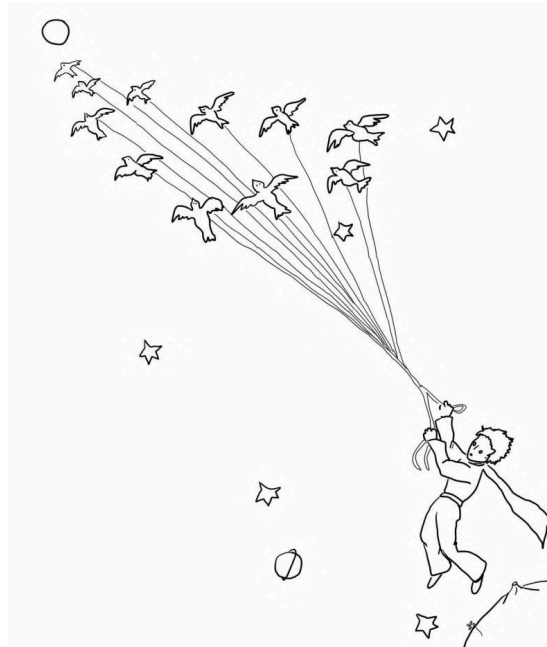


Prize Winners Previous Years

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Thank you!



Finite amplitude method extended beyond QRPA (preliminary):

Generalized FAM (FAM-QVC)

$$\delta\mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu}^{(20)}(\omega) = \frac{\delta\mathcal{H}_{\mu\nu}^{20}(\omega) + \sum_{\mu'\nu'} \Phi_{\mu\nu'\nu\mu'}^{(+)}(\omega) \delta\mathcal{R}_{\mu'\nu'}^{(20)}(\omega) + F_{\mu\nu}^{20}}{\omega - E_{\mu} - E_{\nu}} \quad \text{QVC}$$

$$\delta\mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu}^{(02)}(\omega) = \frac{\delta\mathcal{H}_{\mu\nu}^{02}(\omega) + \sum_{\mu'\nu'} \Phi_{\mu\nu'\nu\mu'}^{(-)}(\omega) \delta\mathcal{R}_{\mu'\nu'}^{(02)}(\omega) + F_{\mu\nu}^{02}}{-\omega - E_{\mu} - E_{\nu}}.$$

QVC amplitude
(leading approximation):

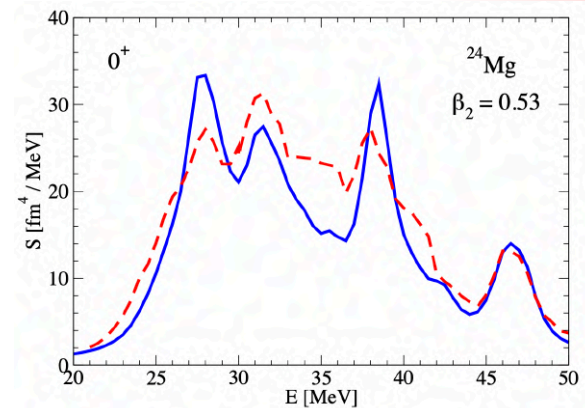
$$\Phi_{\mu\mu'\nu\nu'}^{(+)}(\omega) = \left[\delta_{\mu'\nu'} \sum_{\gamma n} \frac{\Gamma_{\mu\gamma}^{(11)n} \Gamma_{\nu\gamma}^{(11)n*}}{\omega - \omega_n - E_{\mu'\gamma}} + \delta_{\mu\nu} \sum_{\gamma n} \frac{\Gamma_{\mu'\gamma}^{(11)n} \Gamma_{\nu'\gamma}^{(11)n*}}{\omega - \omega_n - E_{\mu\gamma}} \right. \\ \left. + \sum_n \frac{\Gamma_{\mu\nu}^{(11)n} \Gamma_{\nu'\mu'}^{(11)n*}}{\omega - \omega_n - E_{\mu'\nu}} + \sum_n \frac{\Gamma_{\mu'\nu'}^{(11)n} \Gamma_{\nu\mu}^{(11)n*}}{\omega - \omega_n - E_{\mu\nu'}} \right]$$

E.L., Y. Zhang, Phys. Rev. C 106, 064316 (2022)

Proof of principle:
IVGMR in ^{24}Mg
in a restricted model space

Ongoing:

- Convergence improvement
- Optimization
- Cross-check routines





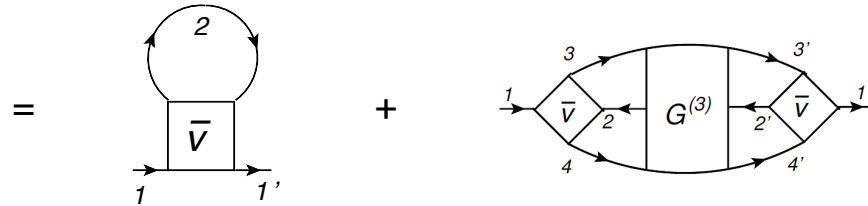
Are there theoretical limits on accuracy?

- *Higher-rank configurations = higher accuracy? Can we quantify this? How accurately we can describe the observed spectra, in principle?*
- *Spectroscopic accuracy in nuclear structure: experiment (laser spectroscopy [eV], nuclear resonance fluorescence [keV]) ... no standards for theory. ~100 keV?*
- *Chemical accuracy 1 kcal/mol = 0.043 eV is possible with the gold standard for quantum chemistry calculations, namely the canonical coupled cluster (CC) expansion truncated at the second order in the electronic excitation operator and including an approximate treatment of the triple excitations (CCSD(T), where S stands for single, D for double, and (T) for non-iterative triple) [P.J. Ollitrault et al, Phys. Rev. Res. 2, 043140, 2020]*
- *CCSD(T) includes up to (correlated) 3p3h configurations and scales as $O(N^7)$ with the number of degrees of freedom N of the model Hamiltonian.*
- *In nuclear structure, there are relatively rare calculations with (correlated) 3p3h configurations for medium-heavy nuclei (QPM, EOM/RQTBA³, CC). The results are still not ideal.*
- *Is the problem in the underlying strong “forces”, which are not weak and known with limited accuracy? Or the many-body methods? Likely both.*
- *Working with model (solvable) Hamiltonians allows one to solely focus on the many-body problem. Can be studied with quantum and hybrid algorithms on NISQ devices.*

Mean field approximation and beyond

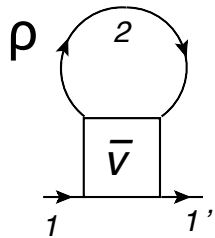
Exact "ab-initio" self-energy :

$$\Sigma_{11'}(\omega) = \Sigma_{11'}^{(0)} + \Sigma_{11'}^{(r)}(\omega)$$



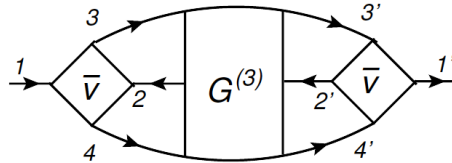
Mean field approximation (density functional theory, DFT)

$$\Sigma_{11'}(\omega) =$$



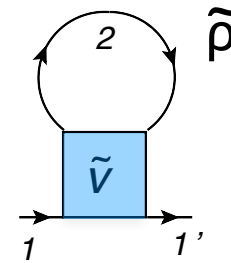
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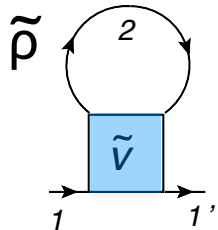
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DFT: static [$\omega = \tilde{\epsilon}_1$ (?)]

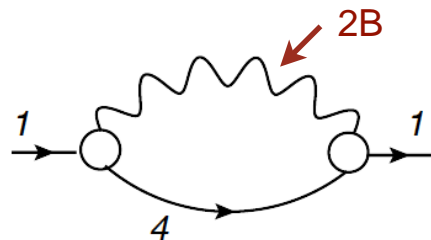
Beyond mean field: particle-vibration coupling (PVC), leading approximation:

$$\Sigma_{11'}(\omega) =$$



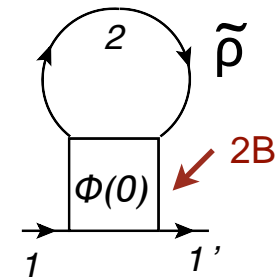
DFT: static, basis

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PVC ω -dependent

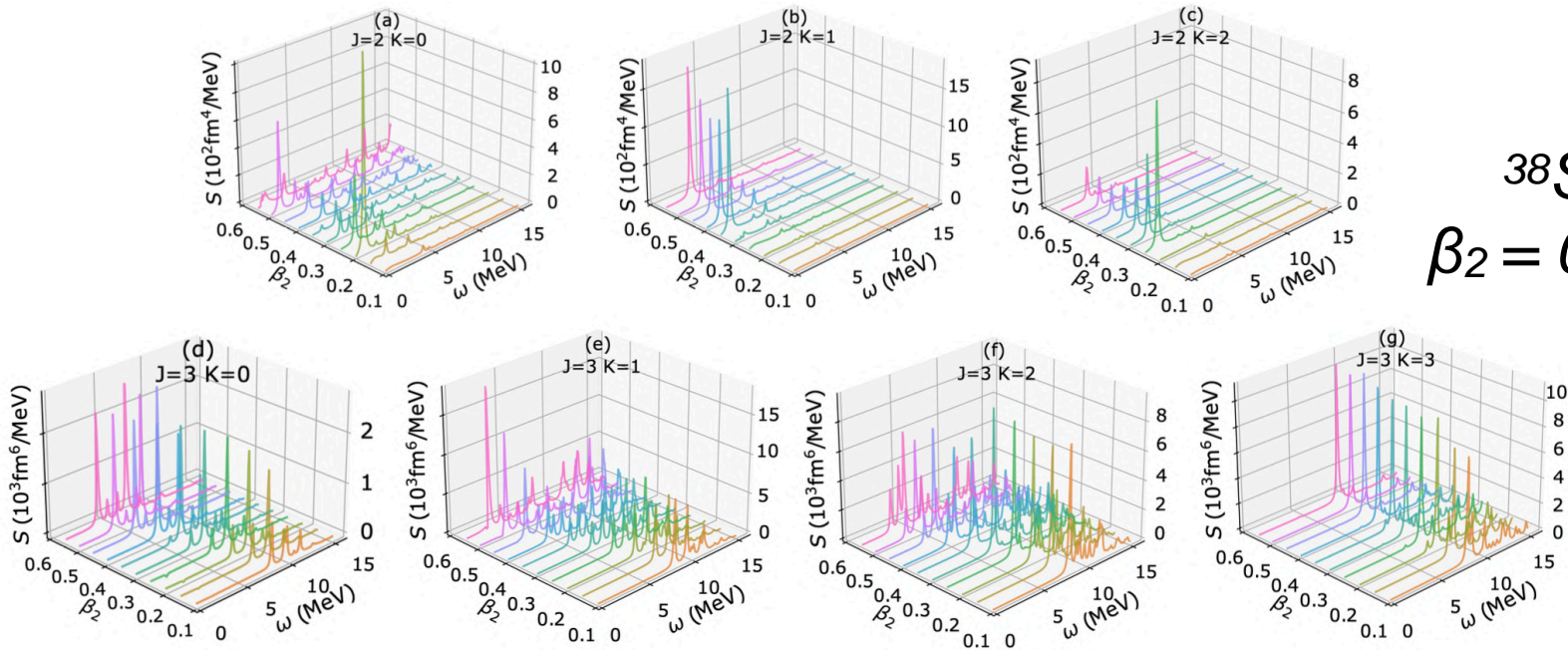
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PVC double counting removal

Single-(quasi)particle states. New implementation: FAM-QRPA+QVC

(i) Relativistic meson-nucleon Lagrangian + (ii) Relativistic Hartree-Bogoliubov (RHB) + (iii) Quasiparticle random phase approximation (QRPA): $J = 2^+ - 5^-$, $K = [0, J]$. Finite amplitude method (FAM): A. Bjelčić et al., CPC 253, 107184 (2020). Relativistic DD-PC1 interaction.



(iv) QVC vertex extraction:

$$\Gamma_{\mu\mu'}^{(ij)n} = \frac{1}{\langle n|F^\dagger|0\rangle} \oint_{\gamma_n} \delta H_{\mu\mu'}^{ij}(\omega) \frac{d\omega}{2\pi i}$$

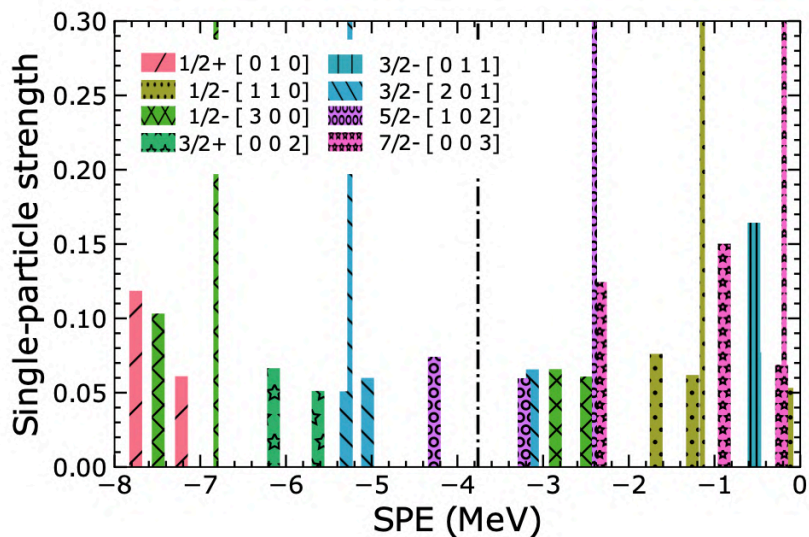
Variation of the HFB Hamiltonian at the QRPA pole

(v) Dyson Eq. solution

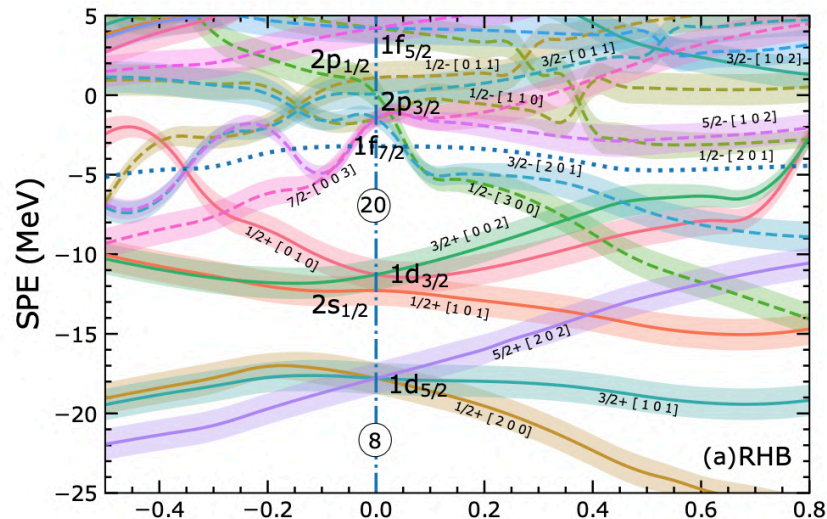
E.L., Y. Zhang, PRC 104, 044303 (2021)

Single-(quasi)particle states in ^{38}Si

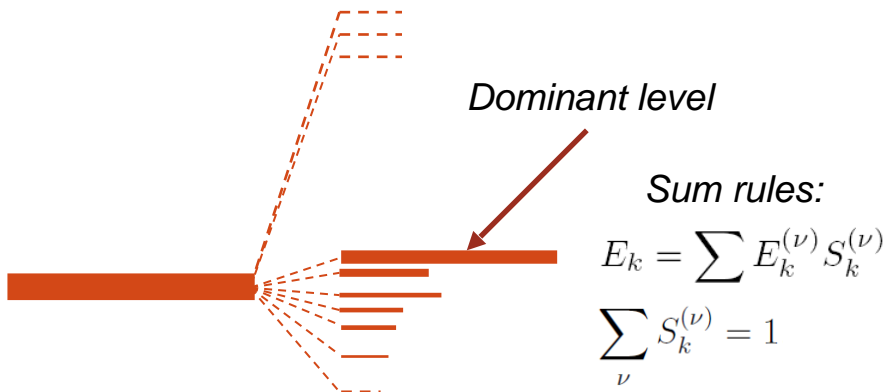
Fragmentation of quasiparticle states:
RHB vs RHB+QVC



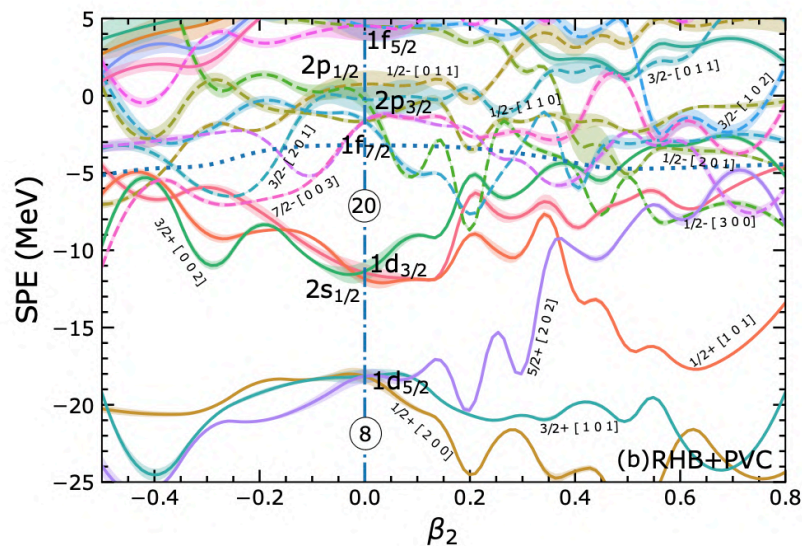
Nilsson diagram: RHB



Fragmentation mechanism: schematic



Nilsson diagram: RHB+QVC (dominant only)



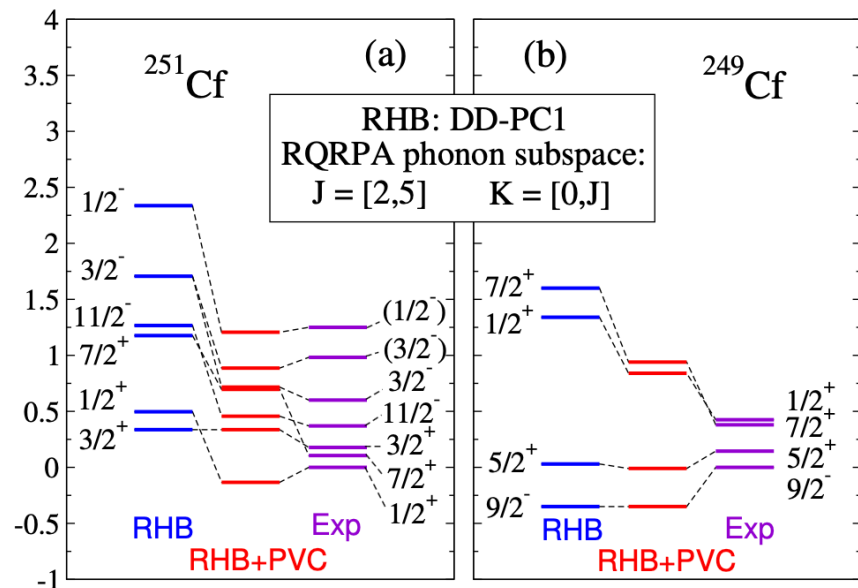
Single-(quasi)particle states in $^{249,251}\text{Cf}$

A. Afanasjev et al.: Long-standing problem of the description of single-particle states in deformed nuclei.

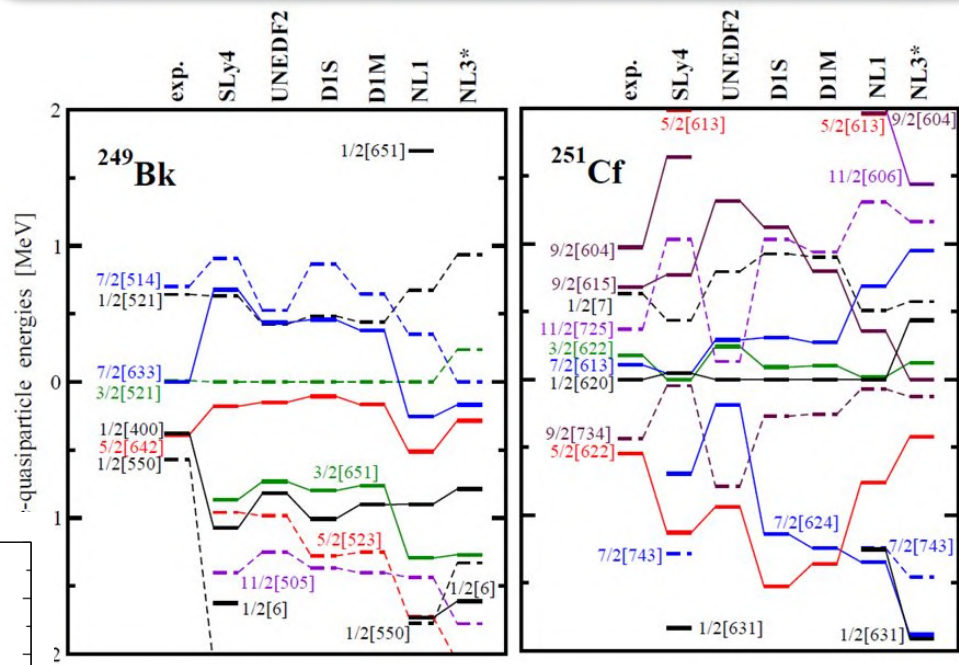
Systematic studies for ^{249}Bk and ^{251}Cf in the mean-field approximation:

$$^{250}\text{Cf}$$

$$\beta_2 = 0.29$$



Deformed one-quasiparticle states: covariant and non-relativistic mean-field calculations vs experiment:



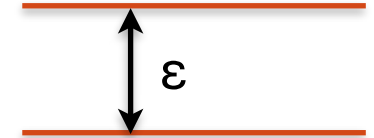
Beyond mean field: RHB+QVC calculations. Dominant fragments in ^{251}Cf and ^{249}Cf .

The spectroscopic factors are quenched even stronger than in spherical nuclei. Can this be measured?

Lipkin Hamiltonian on quantum computer

Two-level Lipkin (Meshkov-Glick), LMG, Hamiltonian:

$$\hat{H} = \epsilon \hat{J}_z - \frac{v}{2} \left(\hat{J}_+^2 + \hat{J}_-^2 \right) - \frac{w}{2} \left(\hat{J}_+ \hat{J}_- + \hat{J}_- \hat{J}_+ \right)$$



Quasispin operators:

$$\hat{J}_z = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{p=1}^N \left(\hat{a}_{p,+}^\dagger \hat{a}_{p,+} - \hat{a}_{p,-}^\dagger \hat{a}_{p,-} \right),$$

$$N = 2j + 1$$

$$\hat{J}_+ = \sum_{p=1}^N \hat{a}_{p,+}^\dagger \hat{a}_{p,-} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{J}_- = \left(\hat{J}_+ \right)^\dagger$$

Excitation operator:

$$\hat{O}_n^\dagger = \sum_{\alpha} \sum_{\mu_{\alpha}} \left[X_{\mu_{\alpha}}^{\alpha}(n) \hat{K}_{\mu_{\alpha}}^{\alpha} - Y_{\mu_{\alpha}}^{\alpha}(n) \left(\hat{K}_{\mu_{\alpha}}^{\alpha} \right)^\dagger \right]$$

Configuration complexity:

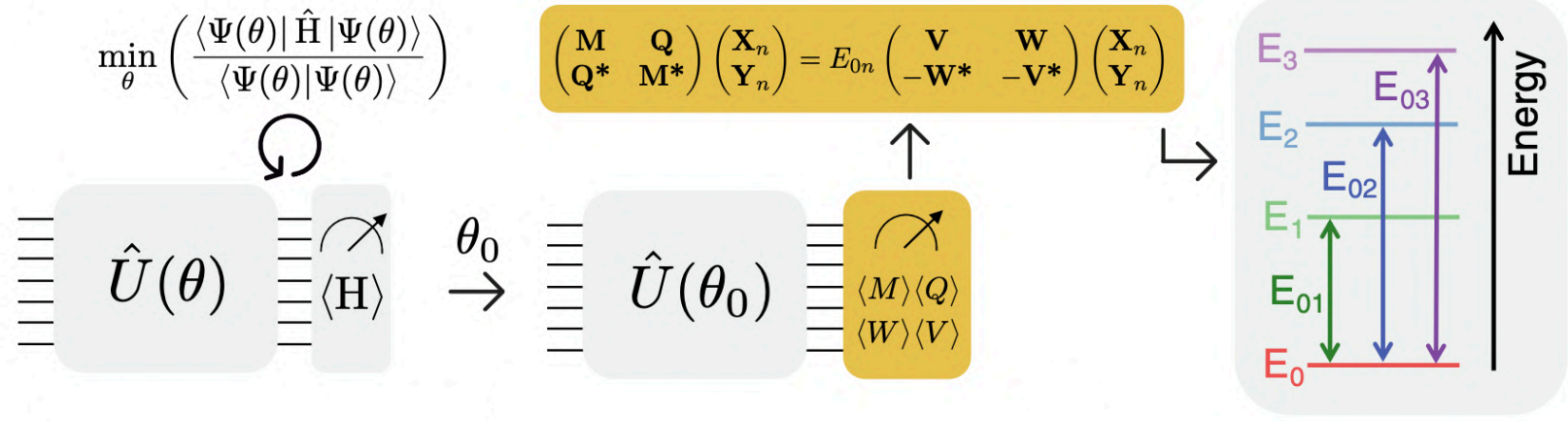
$$\hat{K}_{\mu_1}^1 = a_i^\dagger a_{j'}$$

$$\hat{K}_{\mu_2}^2 = a_i^\dagger a_j^\dagger a_{j'} a_{i'}$$

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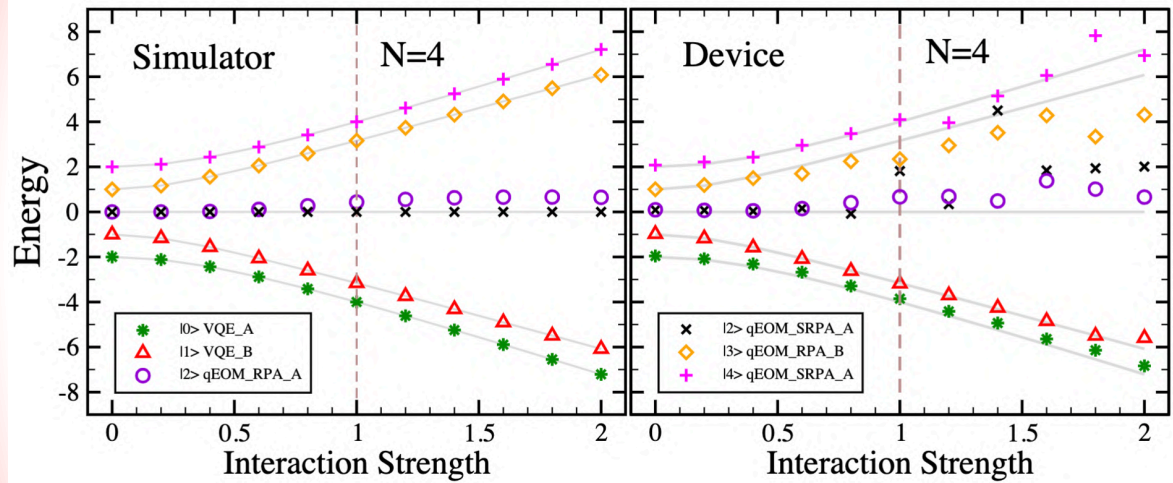
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Variational Quantum Eigensolver (VQE) + Quantum Equation of Motion (qEOM):



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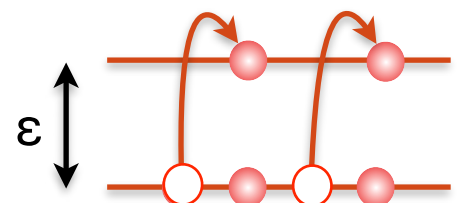
Implementation for $N = 4$ (IBM-Q): RPA vs SRPA vs exact



Beyond SRPA, toward quantum advantage [in progress]

Two-level Lipkin Hamiltonian: **exactly solvable**

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