

Study of the electric dipole excitation of nuclei with a combination of real and virtual photon scattering

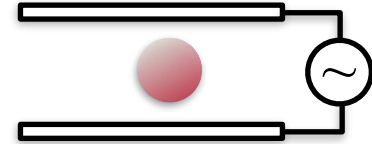
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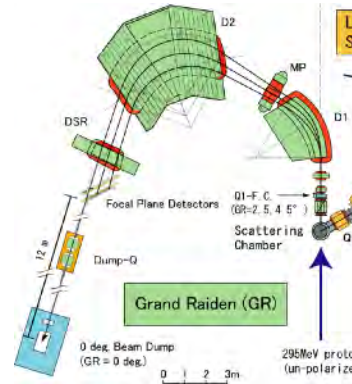
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Outline

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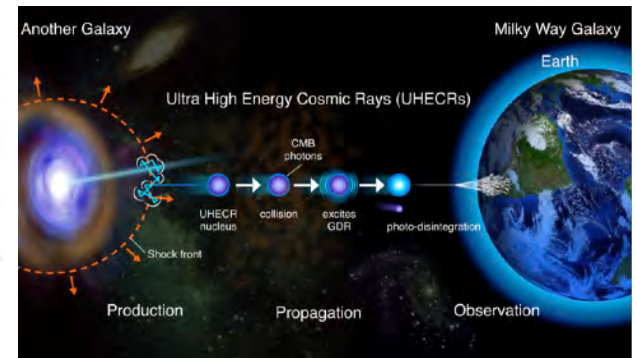
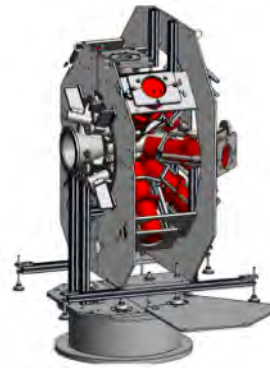
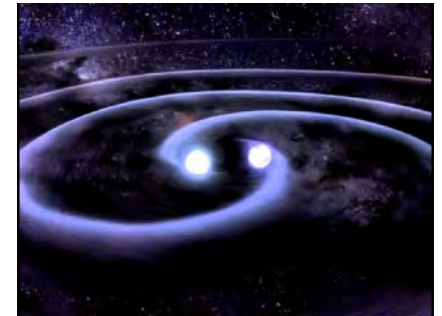


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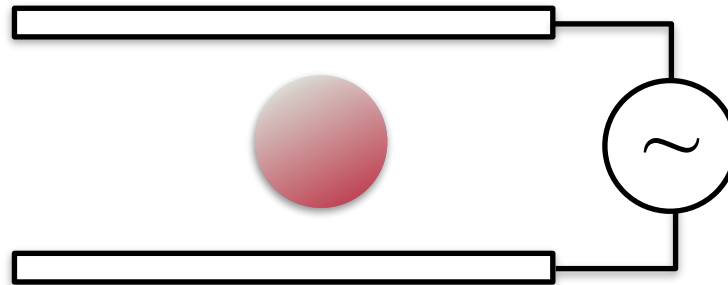


III. Physics Topics

- Polarizability and Symmetry Energy
- Ultra-High-Energy Cosmic Rays
- Fine Structure of GDR

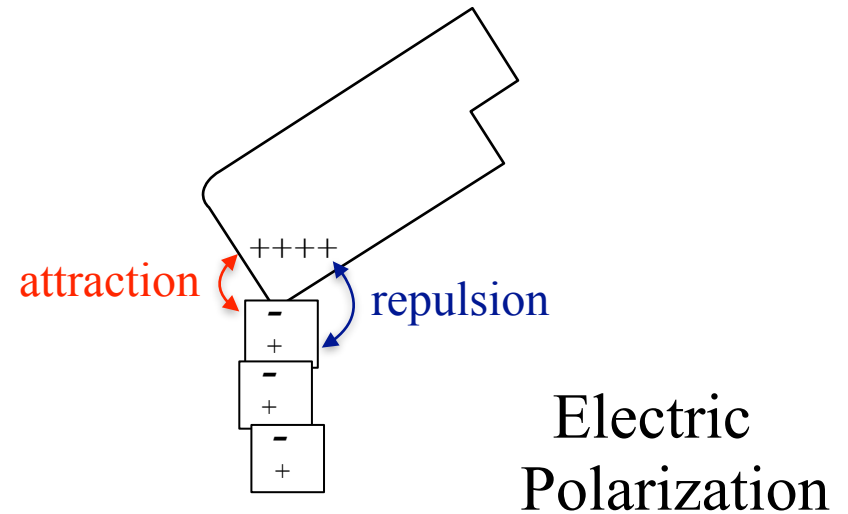


I Electric Dipole Response of Nuclei



Polarization in Static Electricity

A charged comb attracts electrical neutral papers.



Charge in the comb

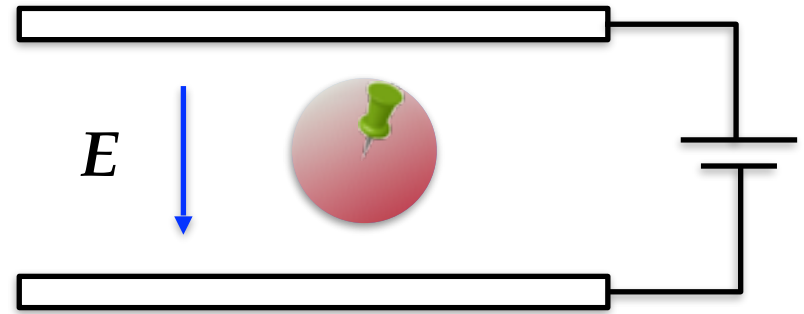
- induces polarization in a neutral paper
- The paper is attracted by the comb.
- The next paper is polarized and is attracted.

Static Electric Dipole Polarizability (α_D)

Electric dipole moment

$$p = \alpha_D \times E$$

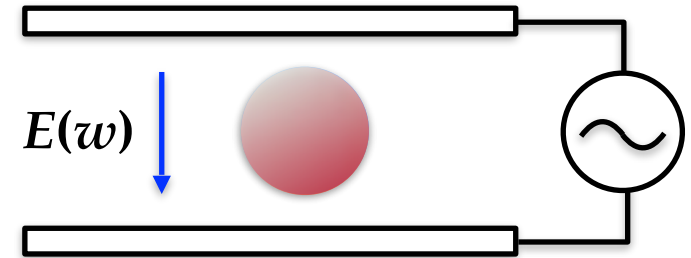
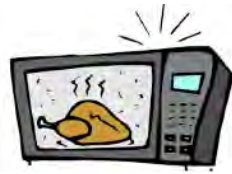
α_D : electric dipole polarizability



nucleus

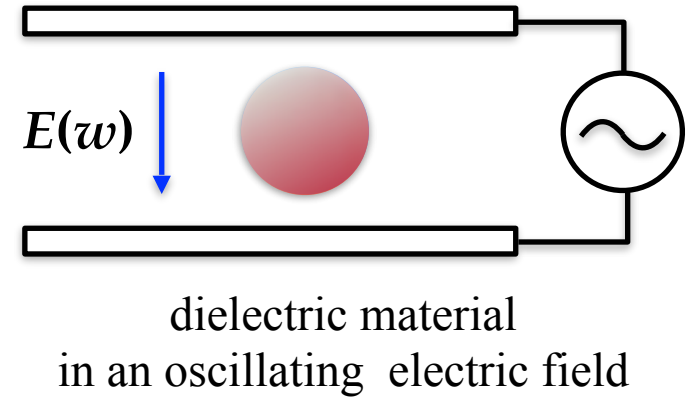
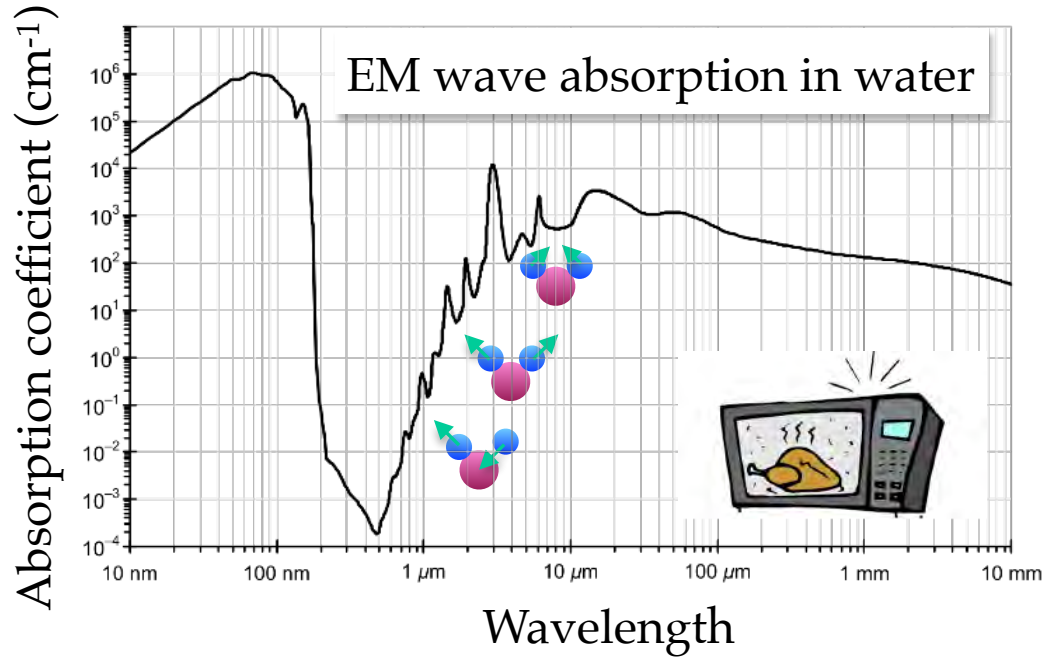
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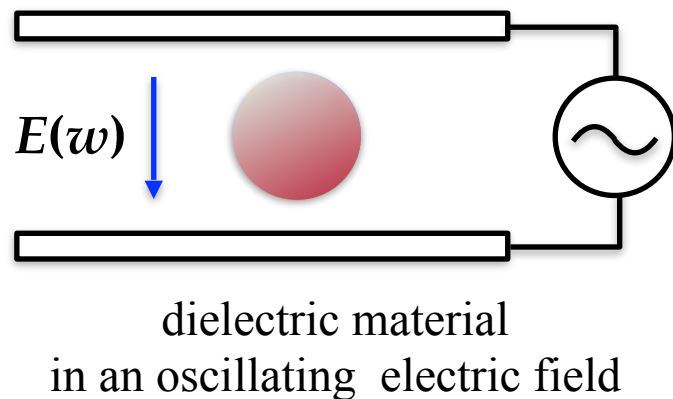
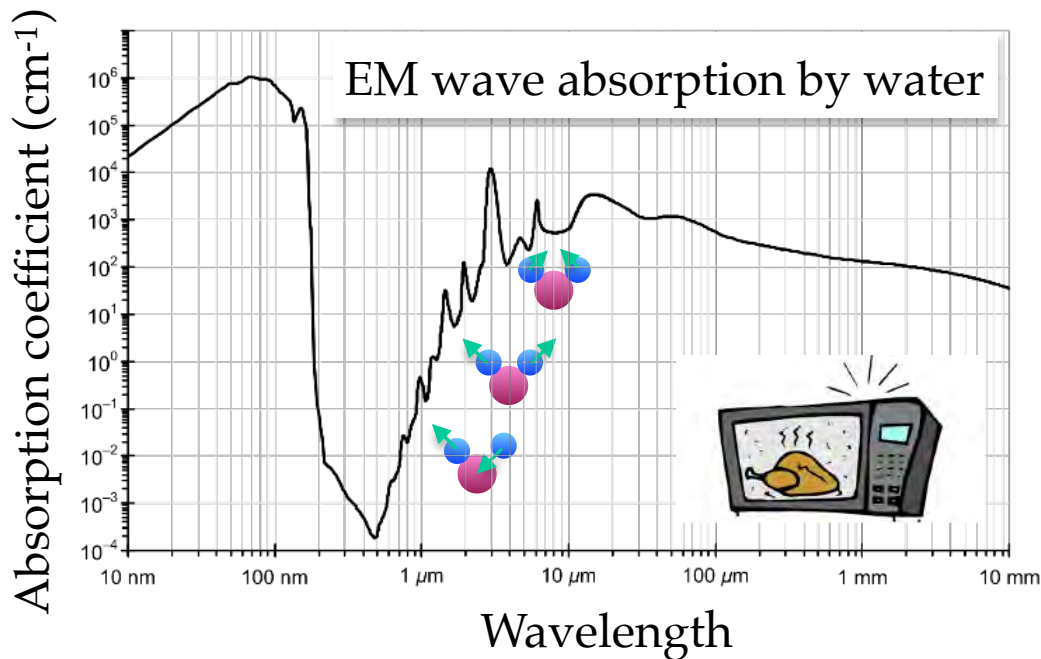


dielectric material
in an oscillating electric field

Electric Dipole Response of Nuclei



Electric Dipole Response of Nuclei



(E1) photo-absorption cross section

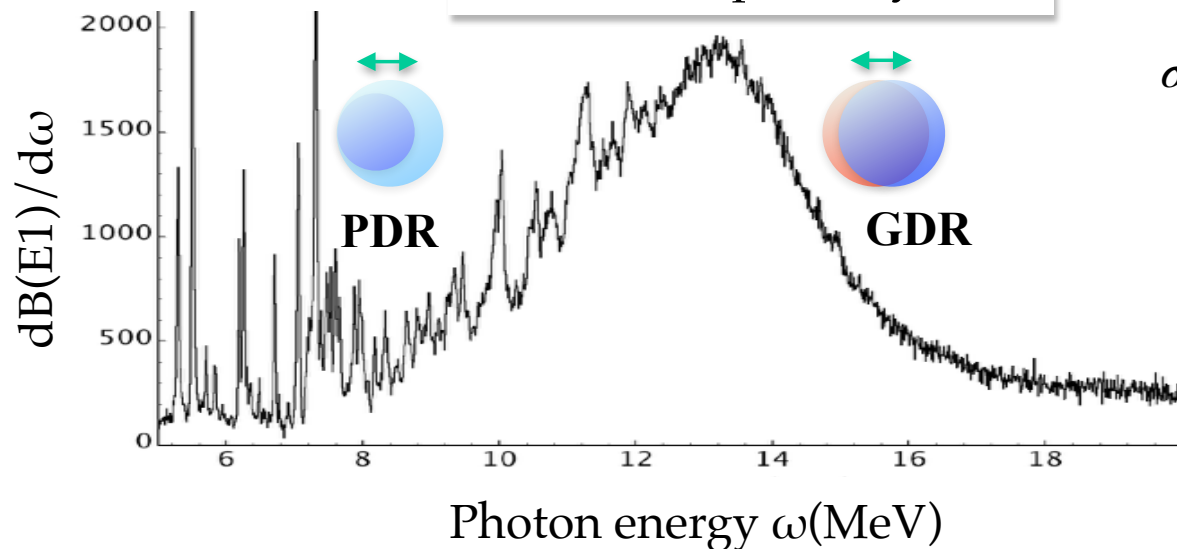
E1 reduced transition probability

$$\sigma_{\text{abs}}^{E1} = \frac{16\pi^3 \alpha \omega}{9} \frac{dB(E1)}{d\omega}$$

Inversely energy-weighted sum-rule

$$\alpha_D = \frac{\hbar c}{2\pi^2} \int \frac{\sigma_{\text{abs}}^{E1}}{\omega^2} d\omega = \frac{8\pi}{9} \int \frac{dB(E1)}{\omega}$$

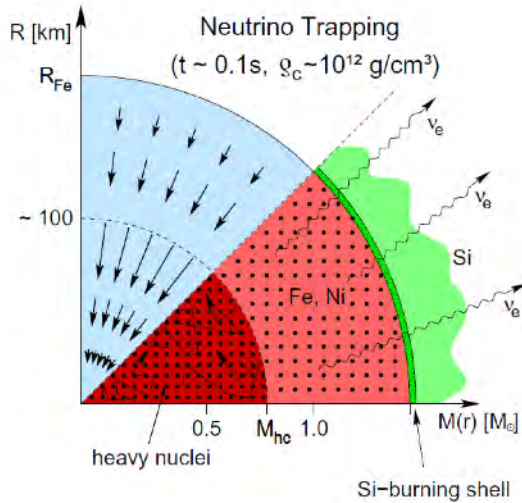
Photo-absorption by ^{208}Pb



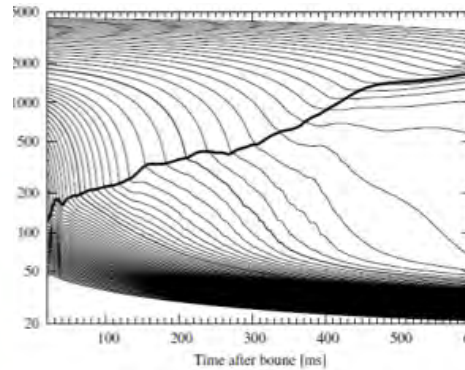
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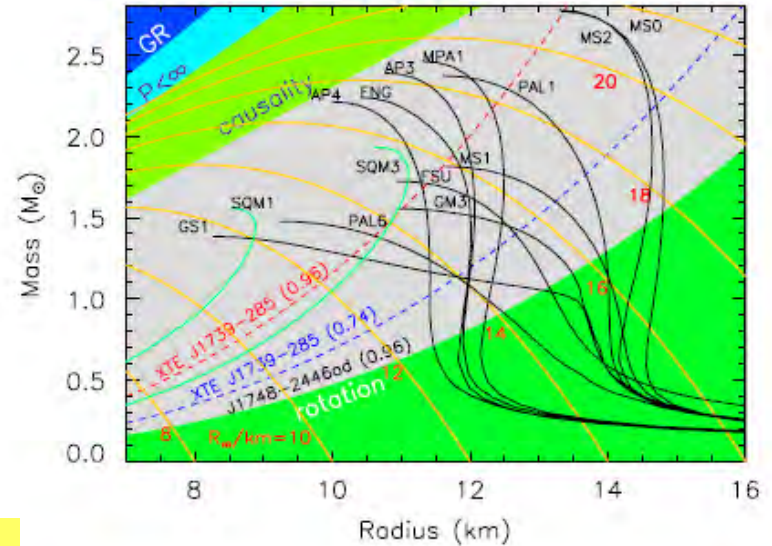


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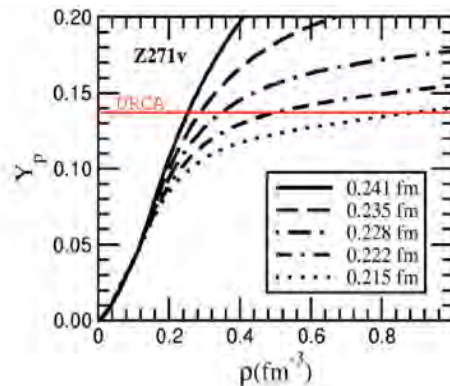
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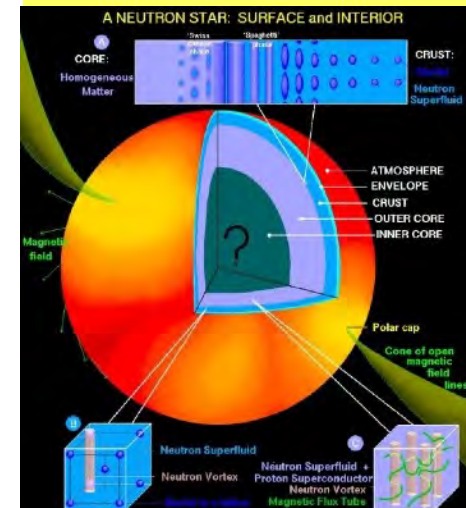
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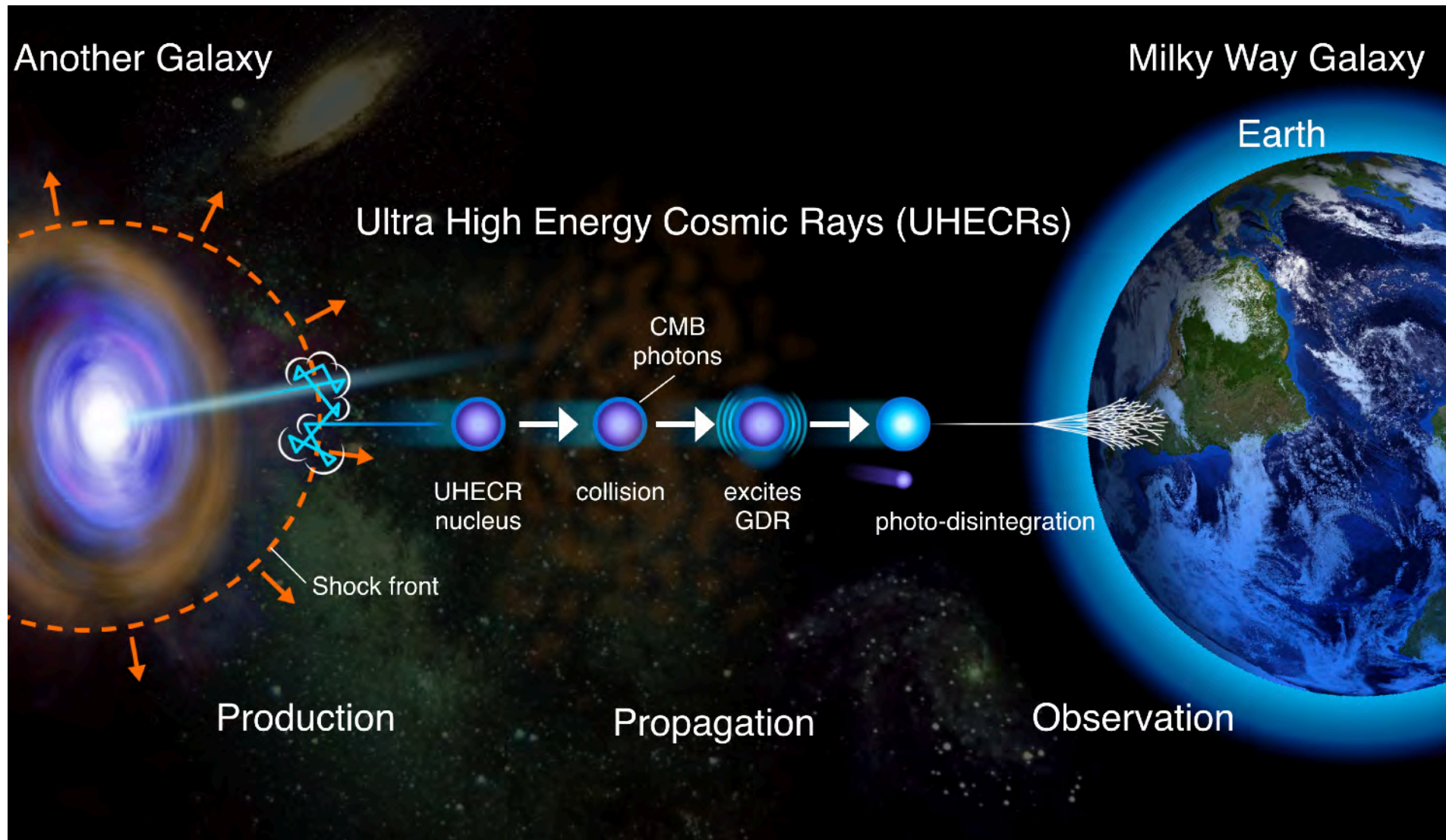
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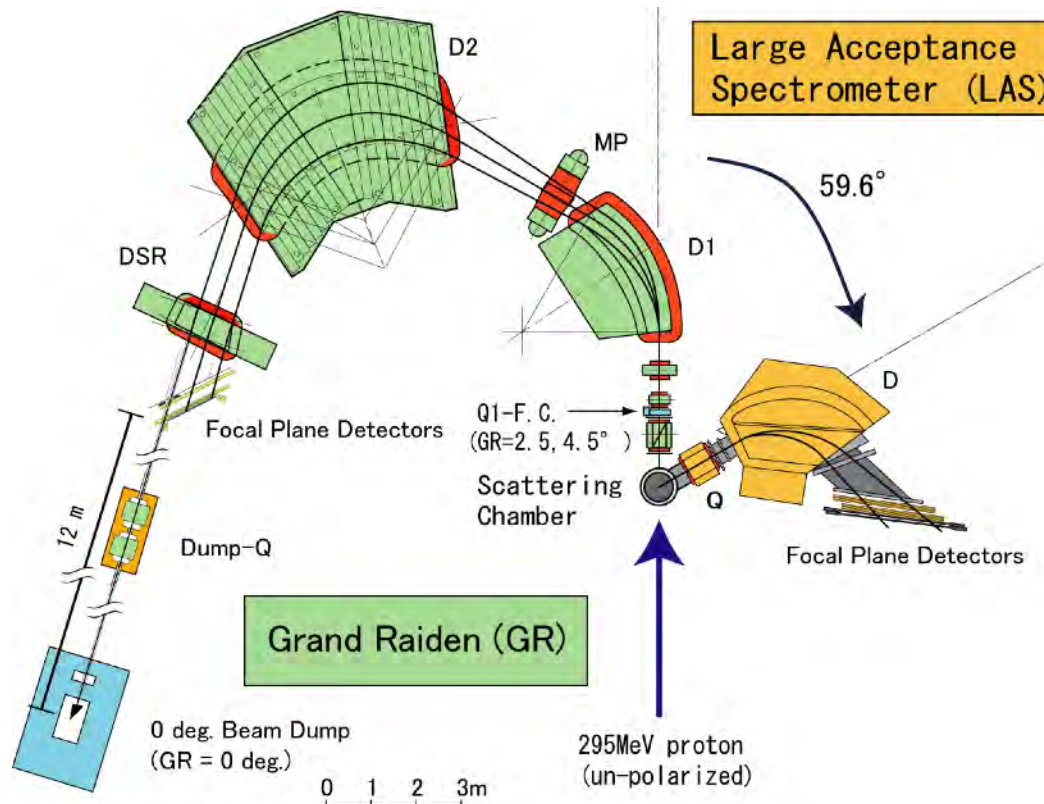


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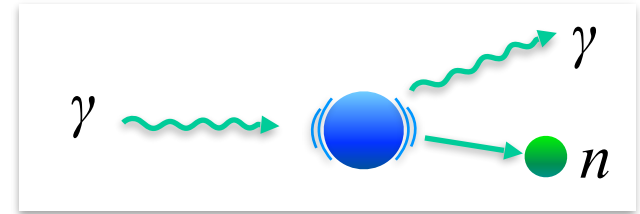
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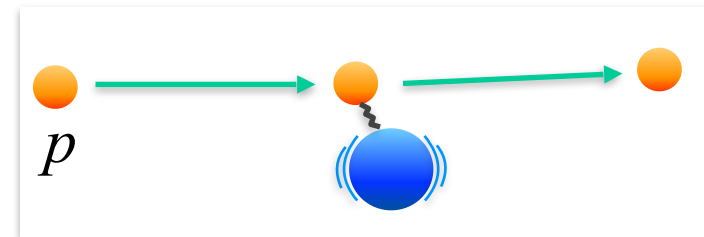
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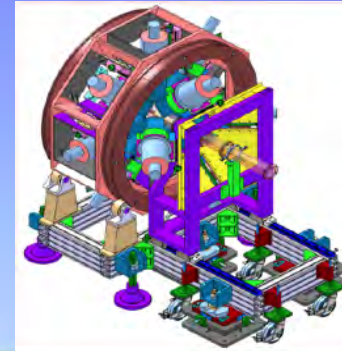
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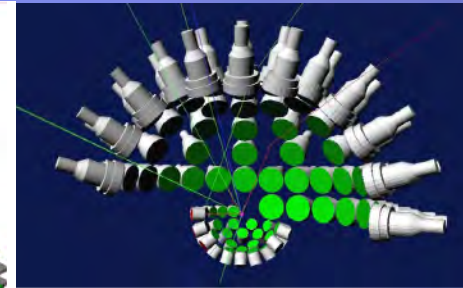
A New Photon Facility ELI-NP @ Bucharest

A photon beam from laser Compton backscattering with:

- very high intensity (10^4 photons/(s·eV))
- narrow bandwidth (down to 0.5%)
- high degree of polarization ($> 99\%$)
- small beam diameter (mm range)



γ detectors



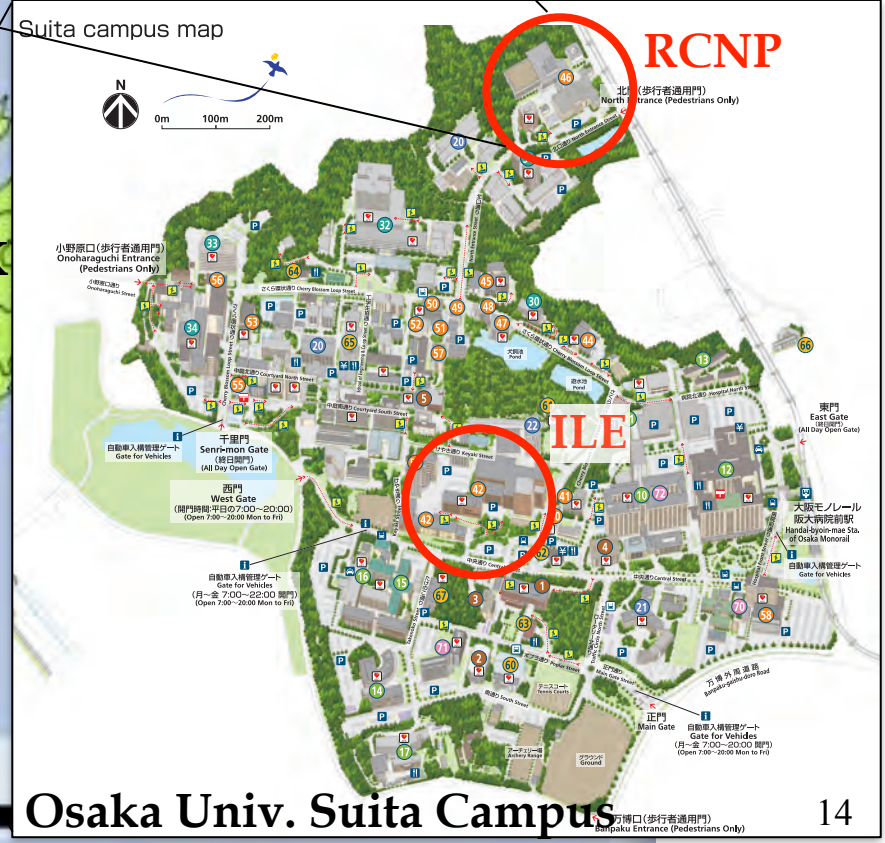
n detectors



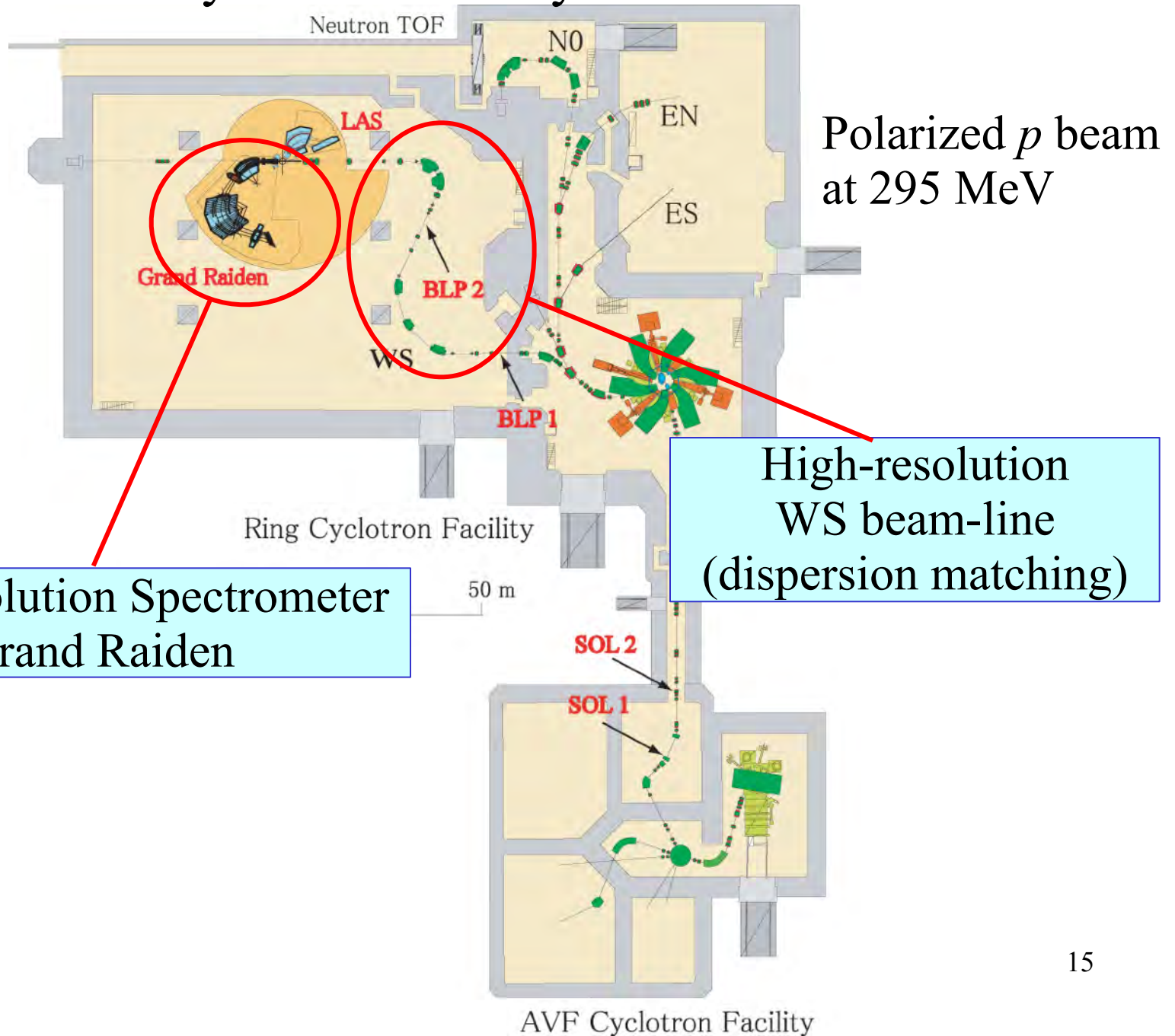
Latest information is shown in this school.



RCNP, Cyclotron Facility



Cyclotron Facility at RCNP



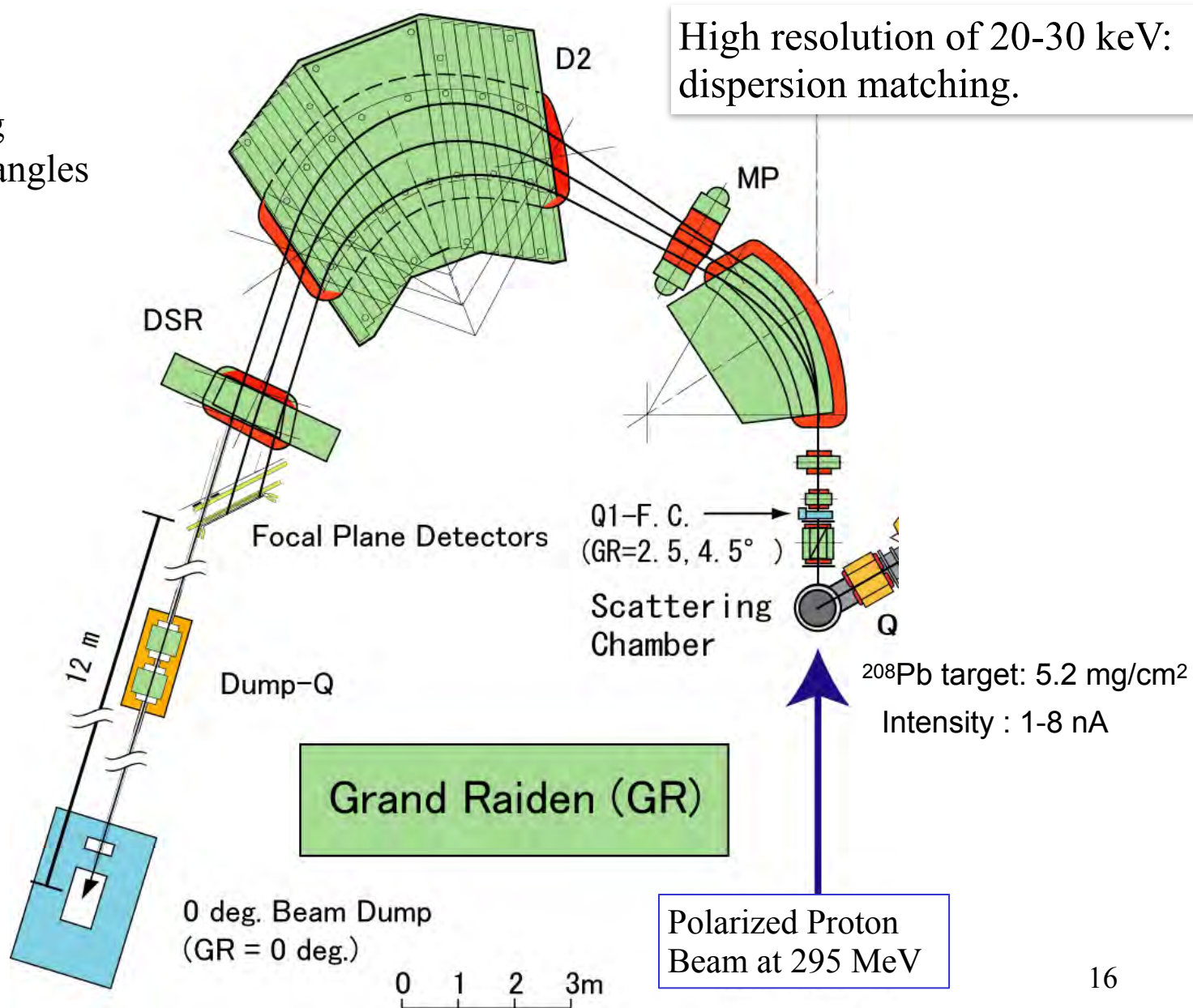
Polarized p beam
at 295 MeV

High-resolution Spectrometer
Grand Raiden

High-resolution
WS beam-line
(dispersion matching)

High-Resolution Spectrometer "Grand Raiden"

Proton scattering
at very forward angles



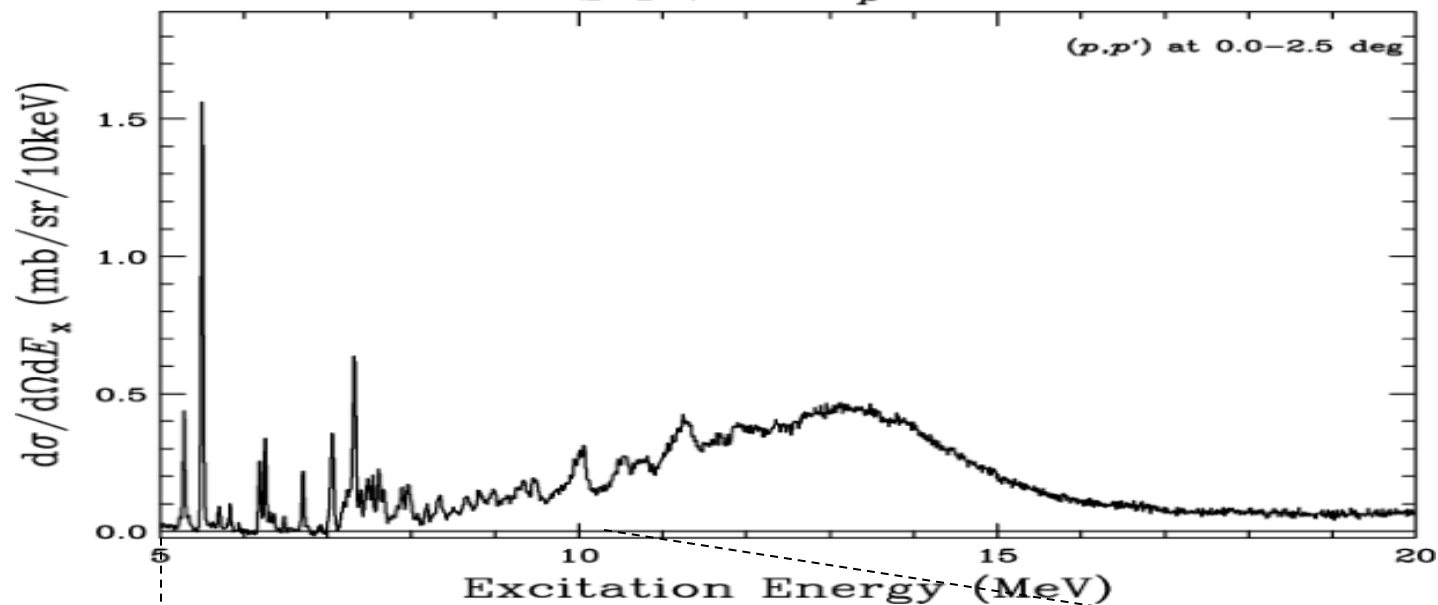
High resolution of 20-30 keV:
dispersion matching.

Polarized Proton
Beam at 295 MeV

Setup for E282&E316

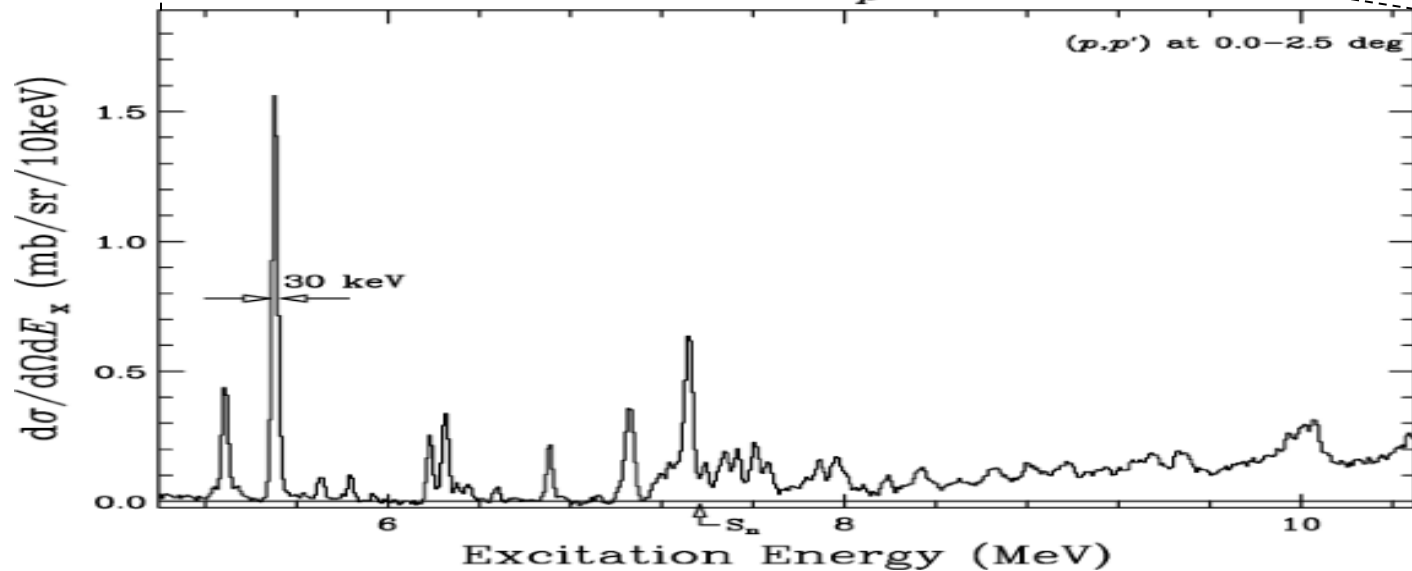


$^{208}\text{Pb}(p,p')$ at $E_p=295$ MeV



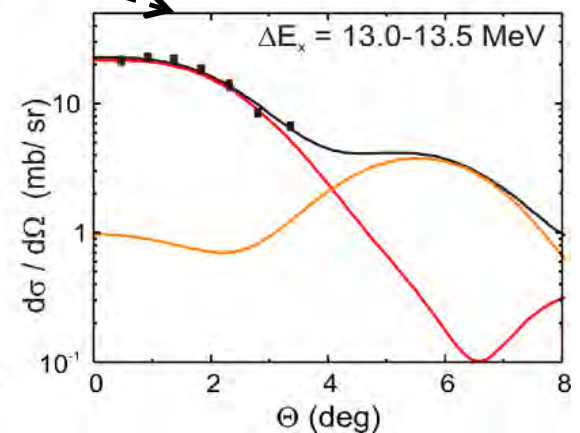
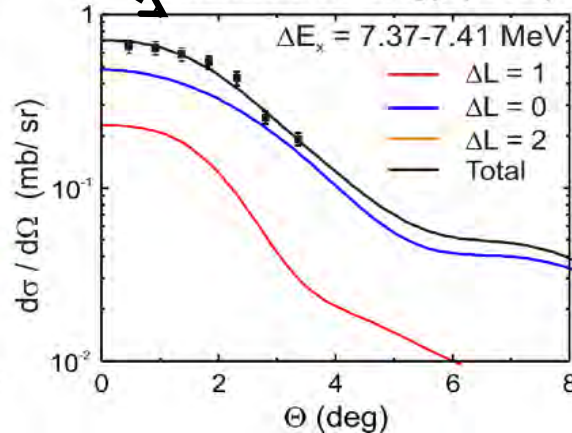
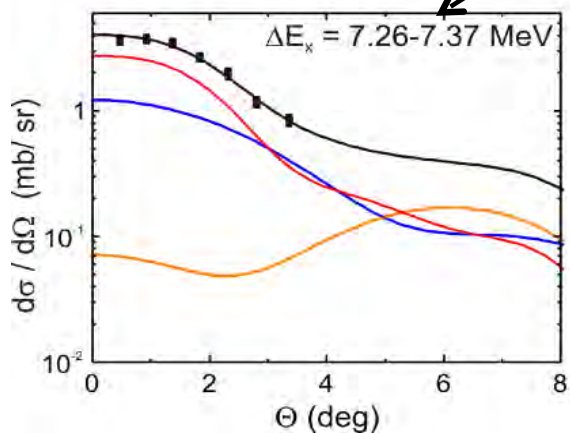
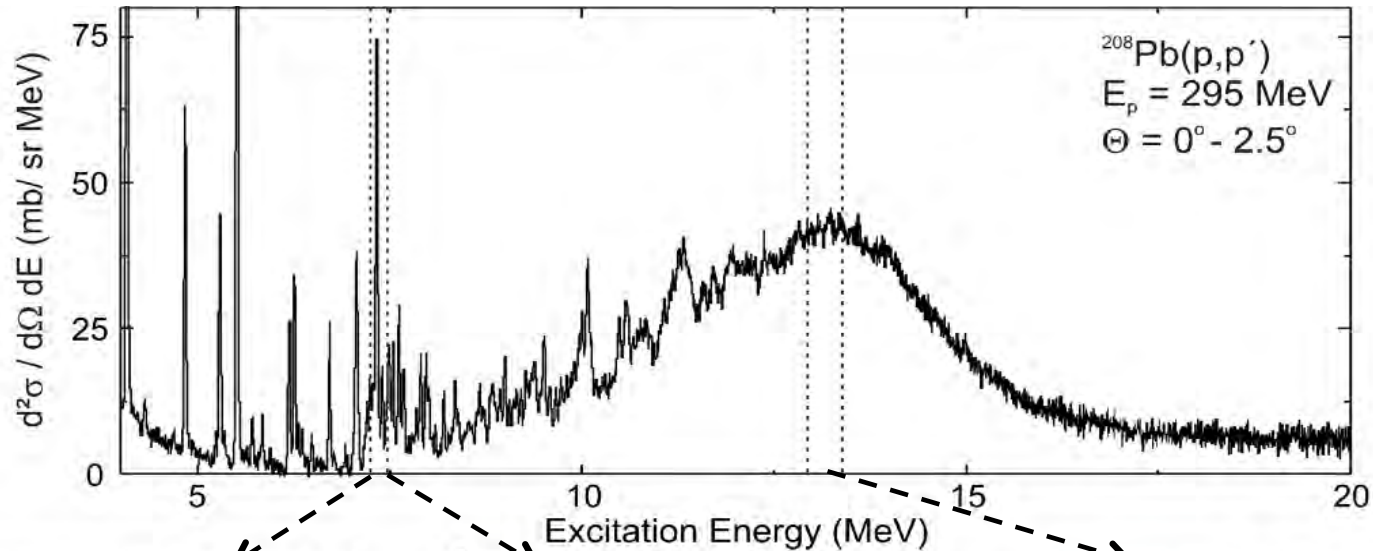
Preliminary

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B(E1): continuum and GDR region

Multipole Decomposition Analysis (MDA)

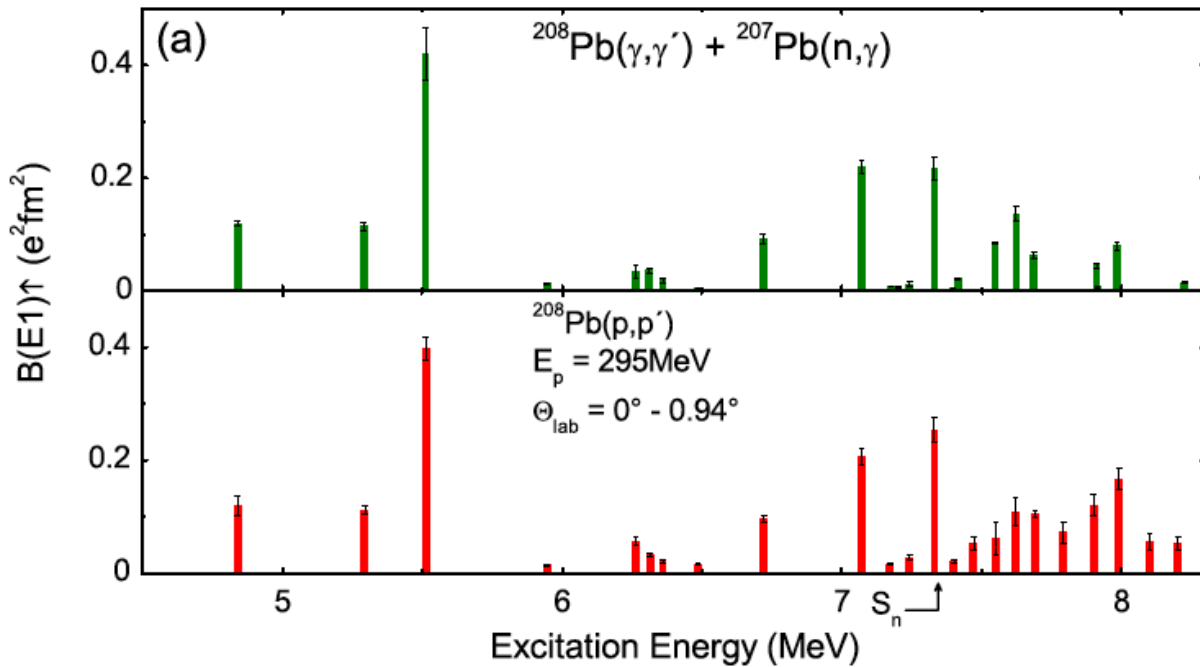


● Neglect of data for $\Theta > 4$: (p,p') response too complex

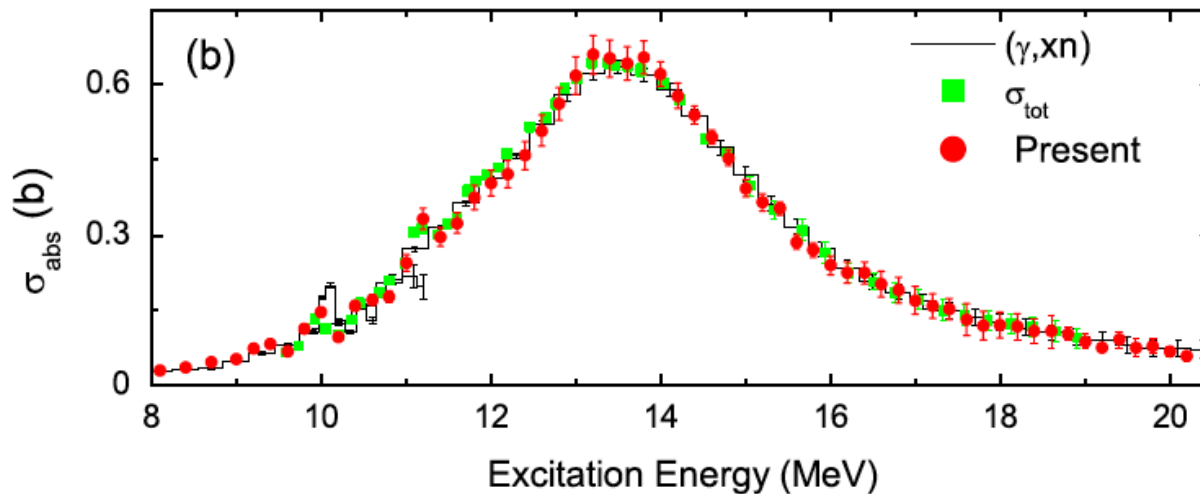
● Included E1/M1/E2 or E1/M1/E3 (little difference)

Grazing Angle = 3.0 deg

Comparison with (γ, γ') and (γ, xn)



low-lying
discrete states

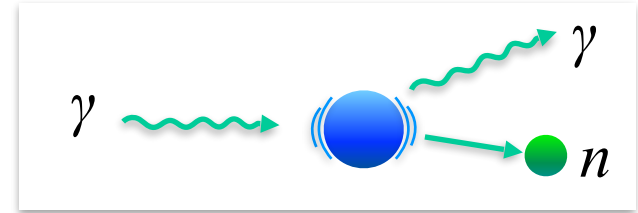


GDR region

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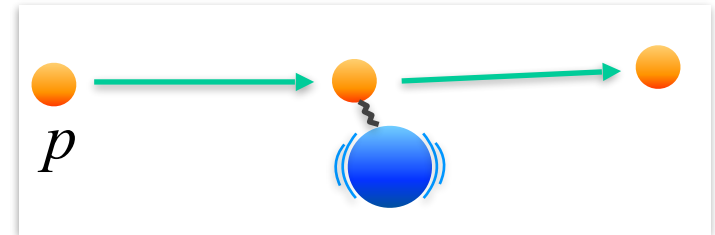


a γ -beam at ELI-NP

pure EM probe by quasi-monoenergetic γ
precise absolute strength
partial strength for each decay channel including n
clear selection of E1 and M1 (polarized-gamma)
up to 20 MeV at ELI-NP

2. Virtual photon excitation (Coulomb excitation)

- proton inelastic scattering at 0 deg.



a proton beam at RCNP
and iThemba LABS

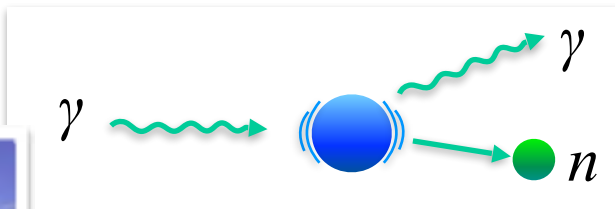
dominantly electric excitation: req. decomposition
 E_x distribution is obtained in one shot
sensitive to the total strength
up to 32 MeV at RCNP

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quasi-monoenergetic γ
length

partial strength for each decay channel including n

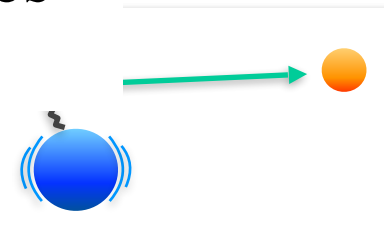
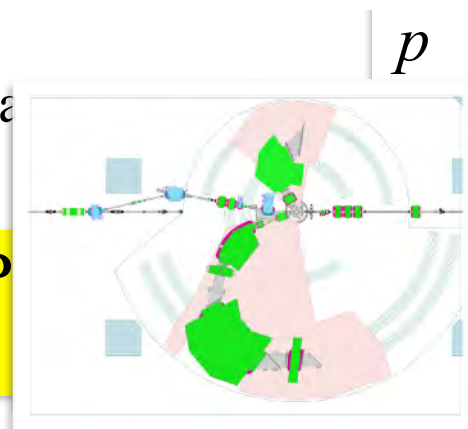


Complementary Probes

2. Virtual photon (Coulomb excitation)

- proton inelastic scattering and Coulomb excitation

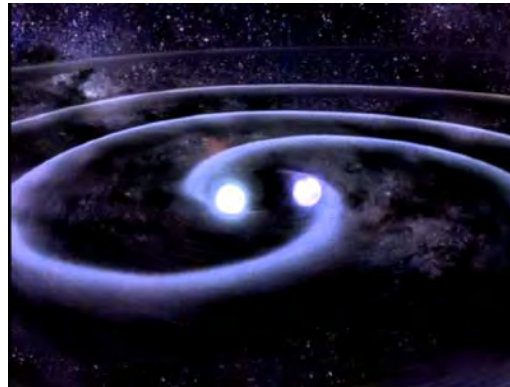
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The best data can be
obtained by combining
the two methods.

III Physics Topics

Polarizability and Symmetry Energy



Nuclear Equation of State (EOS) at zero temperature

Nuclear EOS neglecting Coulomb

$$\frac{E}{A}(\rho, \delta) = \frac{E}{A}(\rho, 0) + S(\rho)\delta^2 + \dots$$

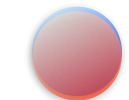
$$\delta \equiv \frac{\rho_n - \rho_p}{\rho_n + \rho_p} \quad \text{Asymmetry parameter}$$

Symmetry energy

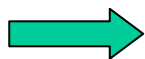
$$S(\rho) = J + \frac{L}{3\rho_0}(\rho - \rho_0) + \dots$$

⇔ difference between p - n channels
how the system energy changes when
protons are replaced by the neutrons

Nucleus



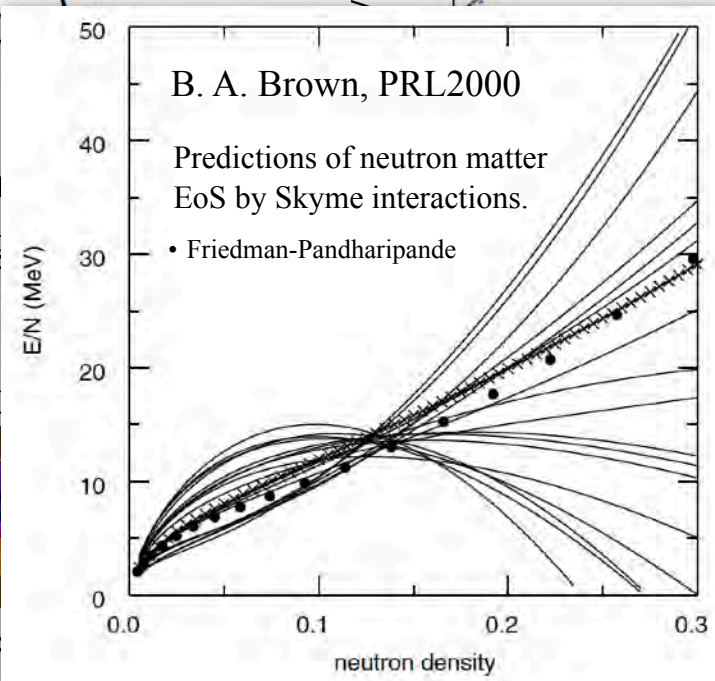
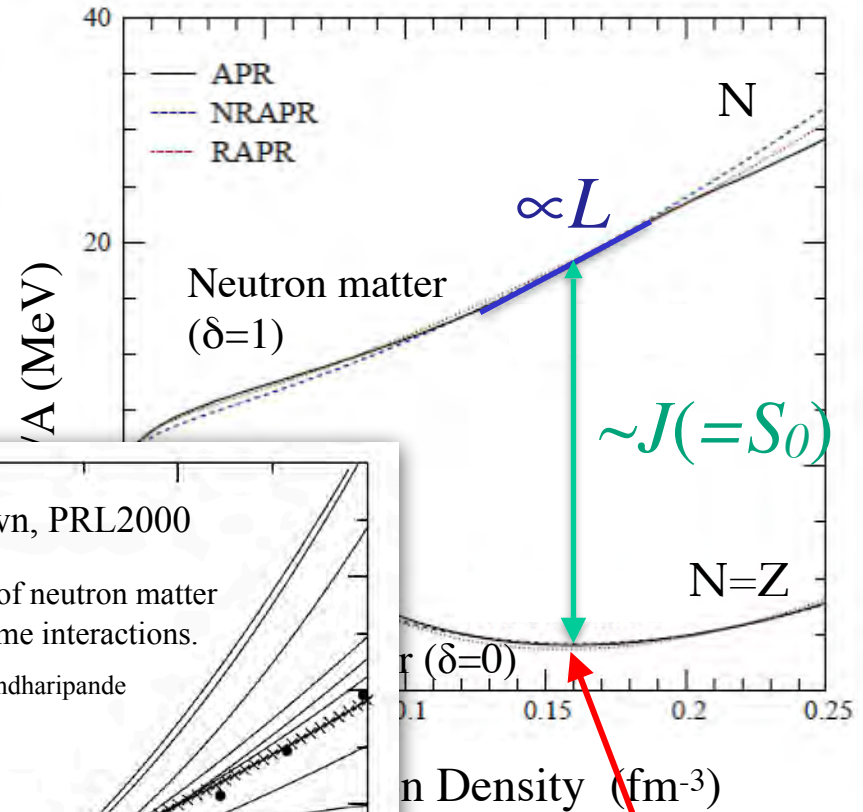
$$Z \approx N$$



Neutron matter



$$Z \ll N$$



Saturation Density ρ_0

$$\sim 0.16 \text{ fm}^{-3}$$

Static Electric Dipole Polarizability (α_D)

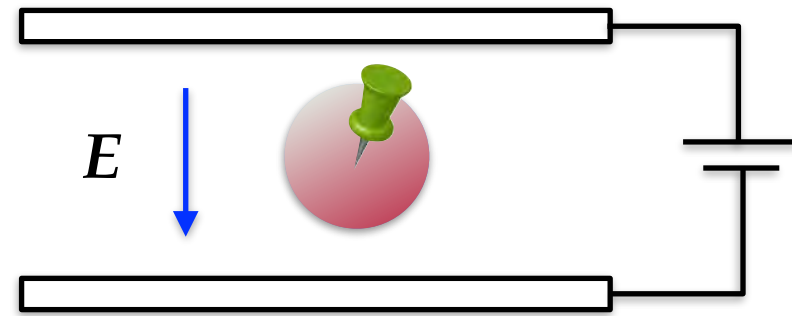
Electric dipole moment

$$p = \alpha_D \times E$$

α_D : electric dipole polarizability



The **restoring force** originates from the **symmetry energy**.



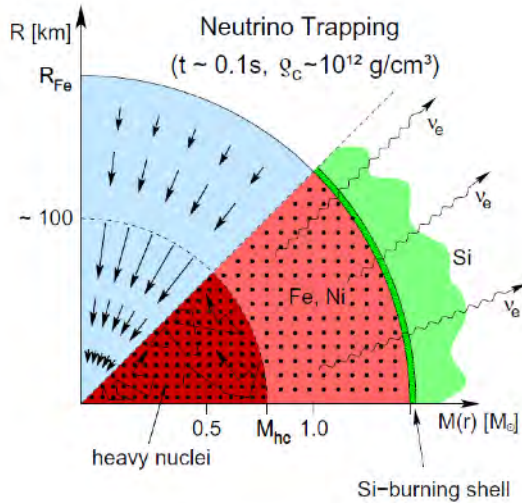
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Electric dipole polarizability (EDP) is sensitive to the symmetry energy below the nuclear saturation density.

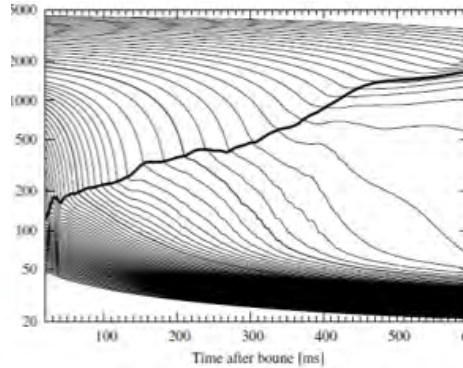
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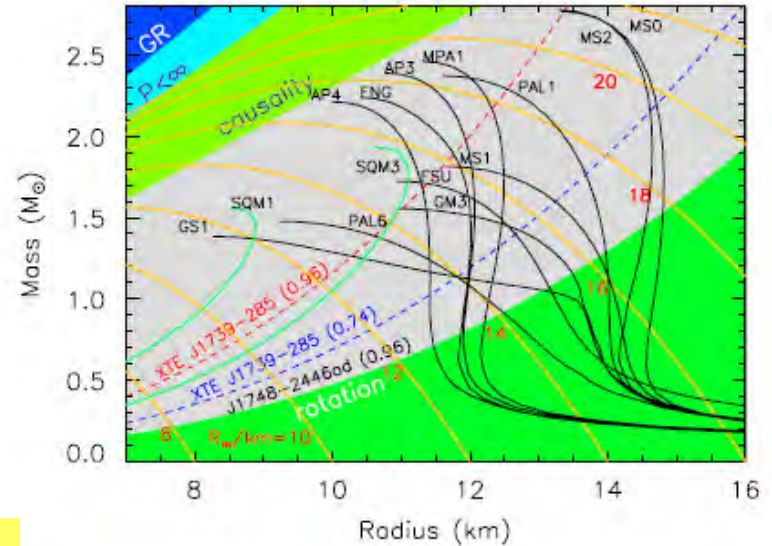


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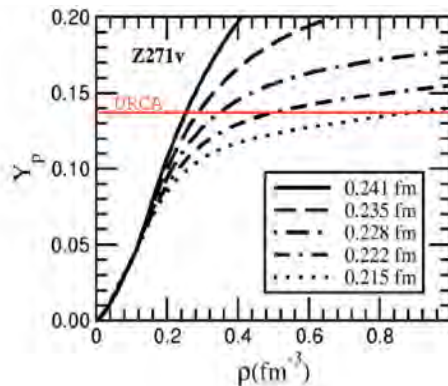
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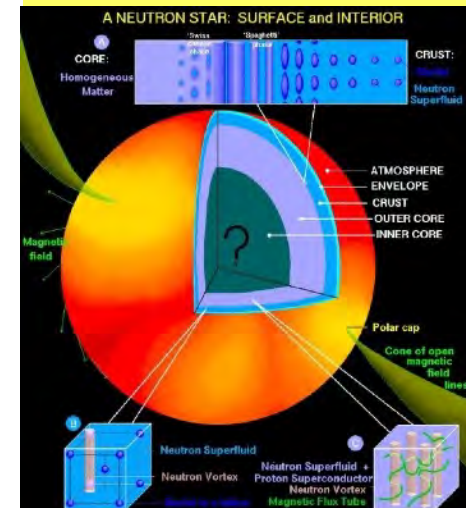
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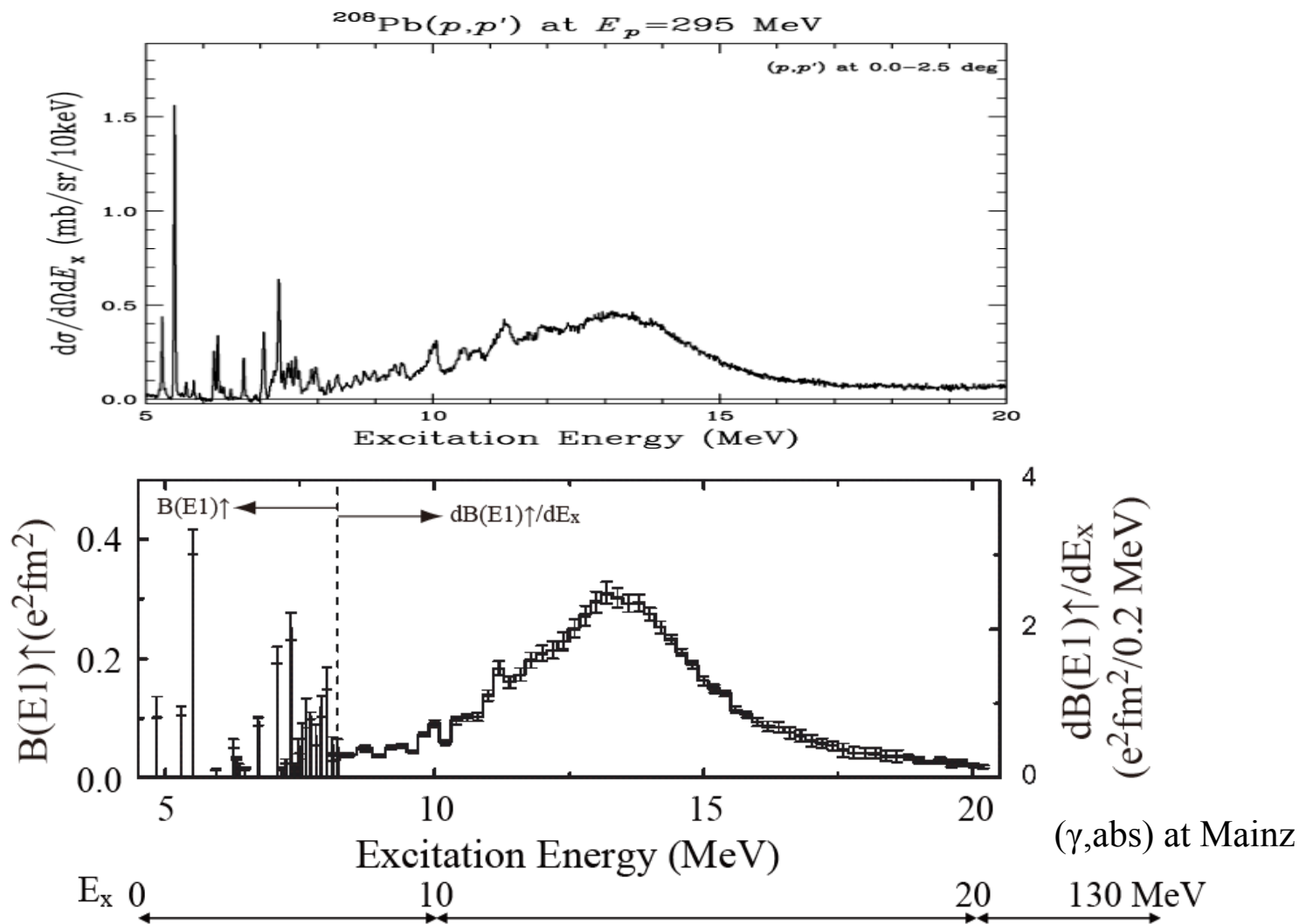
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Electric Dipole Polarizability: ^{208}Pb , ^{120}Sn

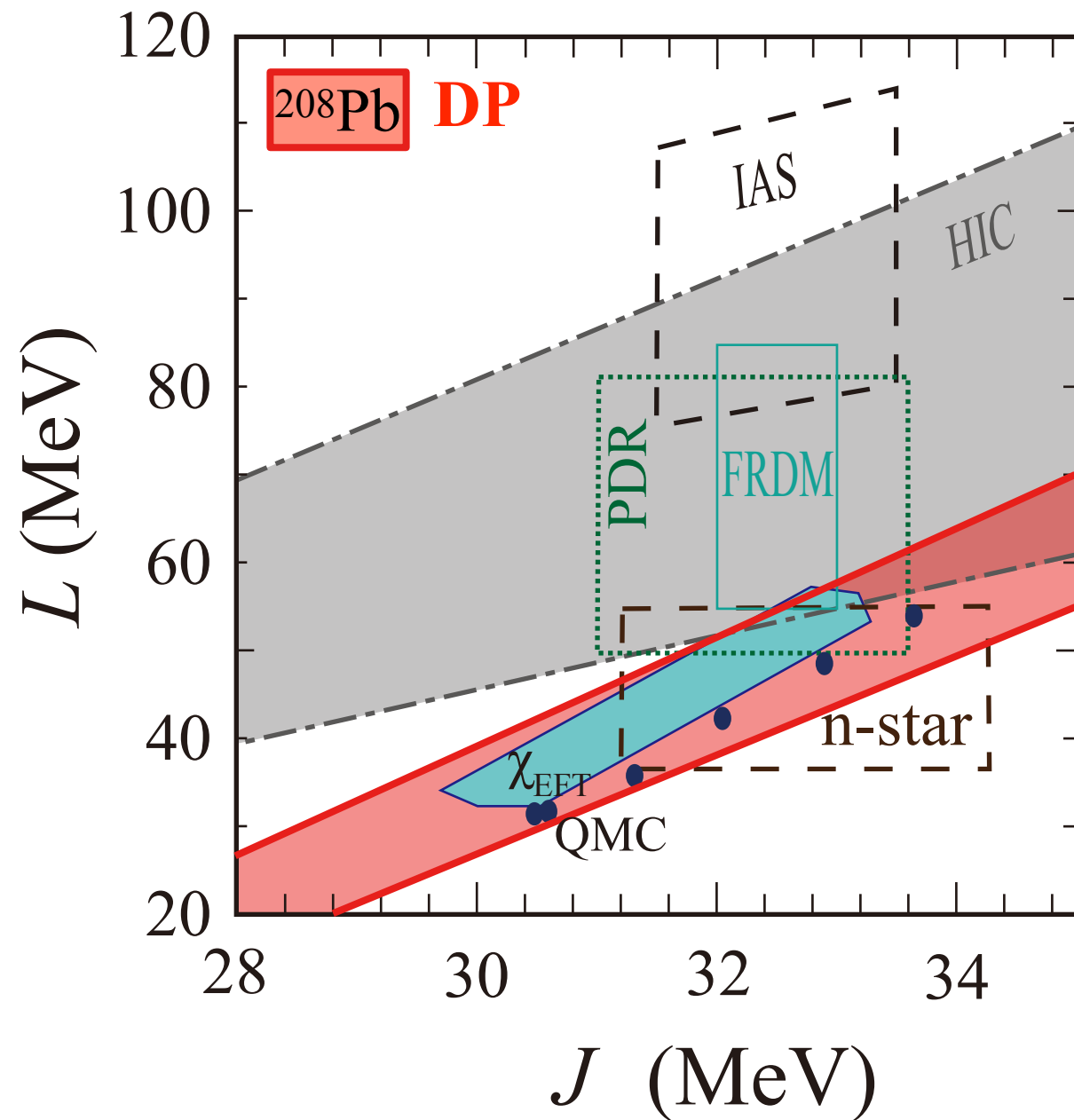


$$\alpha_D = \frac{8\pi}{9} \int \frac{dB(E1)}{\omega}$$

2.7 16.2 1.2 fm^3
total $20.1 \pm 0.6 \text{ fm}^3$

AT et al., PRL107, 062502(2011)

Constraints on Symmetry Energy (J and L)



Tsang PRC2012

HIC: Heavy Ion Collision Analysis
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IAS: Isobaric Analog State Energy
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PDR: Pygmy Dipole Resonance in
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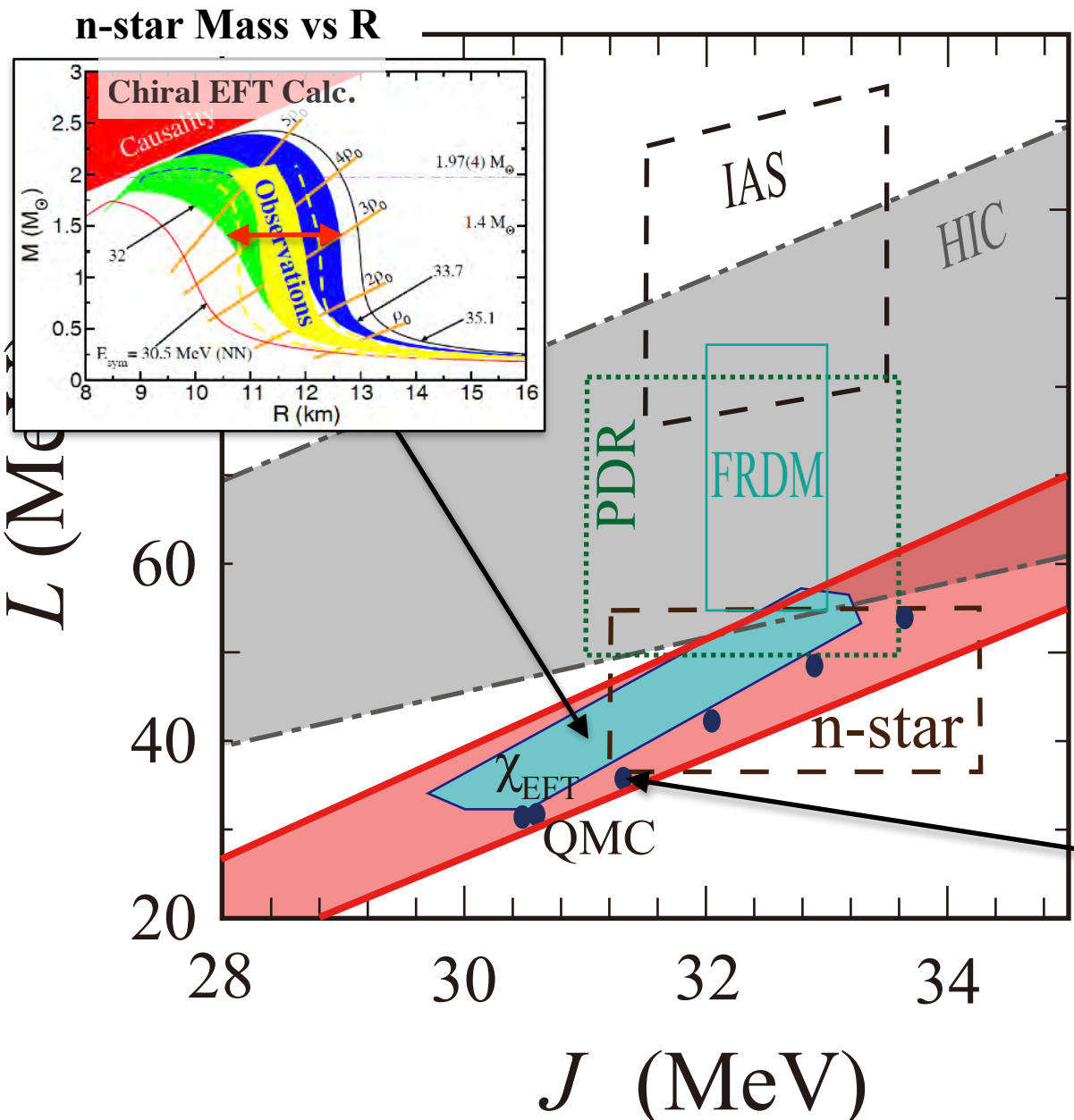
n-star: Quiescent Low-Mass X-ray
Binaries, Stainer PRL2012

χ_{EFT} : Chiral Effective Field Theory,
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QMC: Quantum Monte-Carlo Calc.
Gandolfi, EPJA50, 10(2014).

DP: Dipole Polarizability
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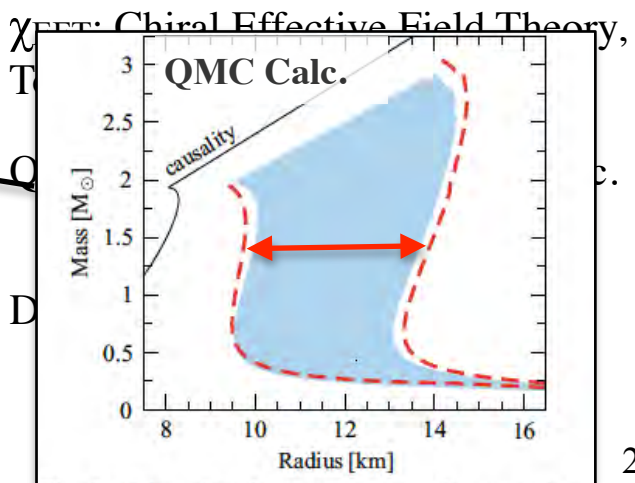
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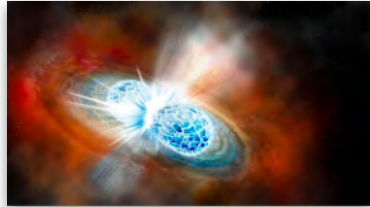
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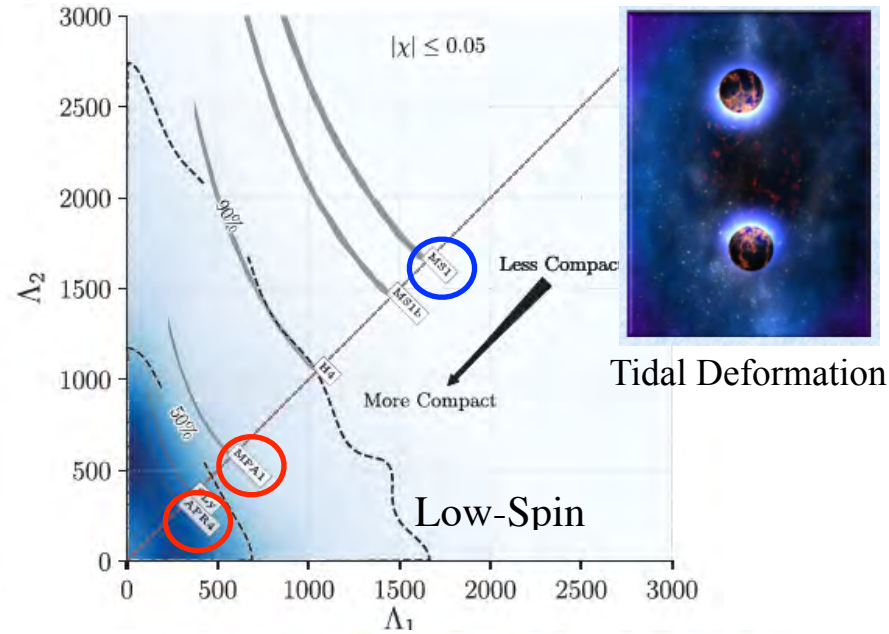
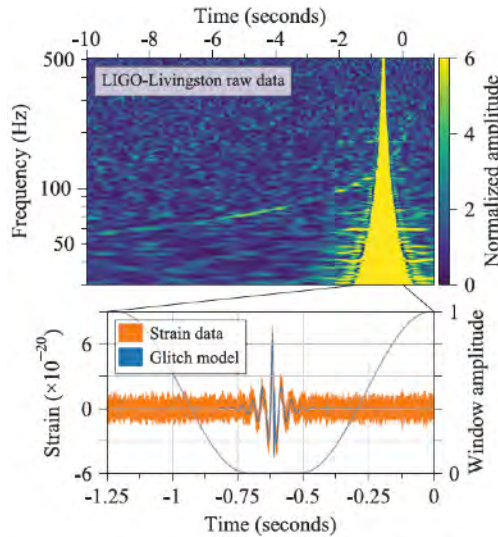


Neutron Star Merger GW170817

GW170817, PRL119, 161101(2017)



LIGO



$$12.00 < R^{1.4} < 13.45 \text{ km}$$

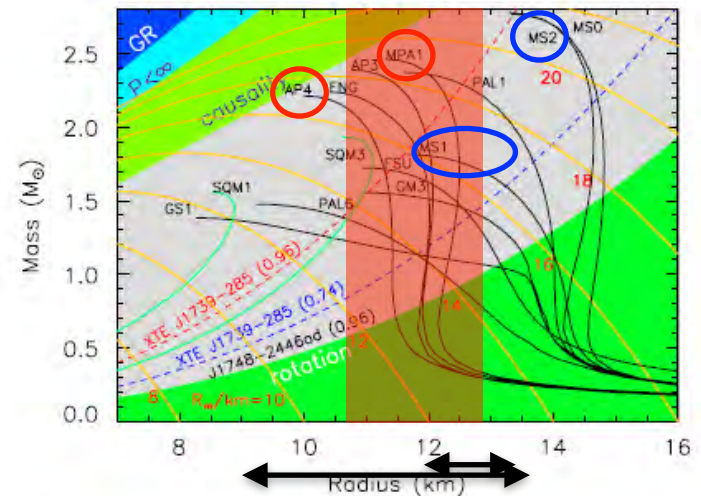
E.R. Most et al., PRL120, 261103(2018)

$$9.0 < R^{1.4} < 13.6 \text{ km}$$

I. Tews et al.,

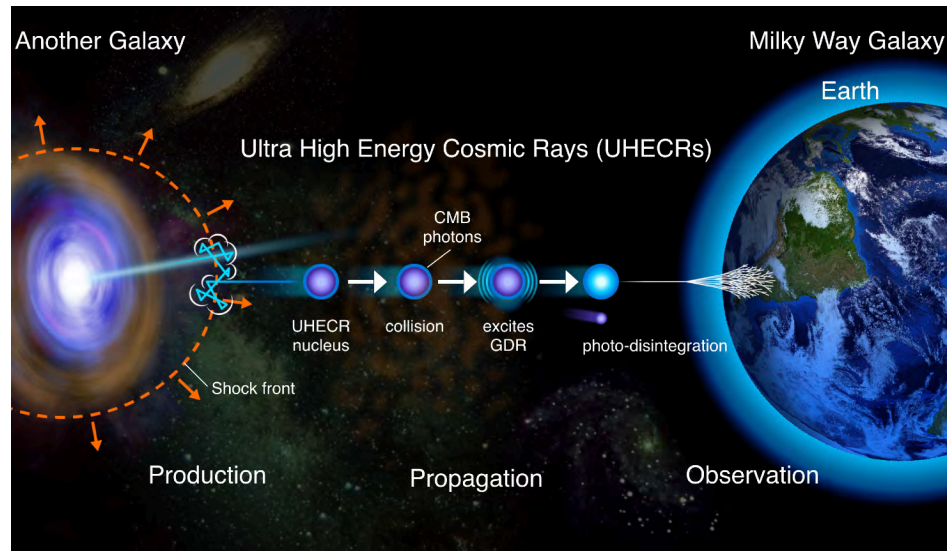
N-star merger GW analysis is giving constraints on the nuclear EOS that are consistent with the study of atomic nuclei.

Further constrains are anticipated both from nuclear physics experiments and from gravitational wave observations.



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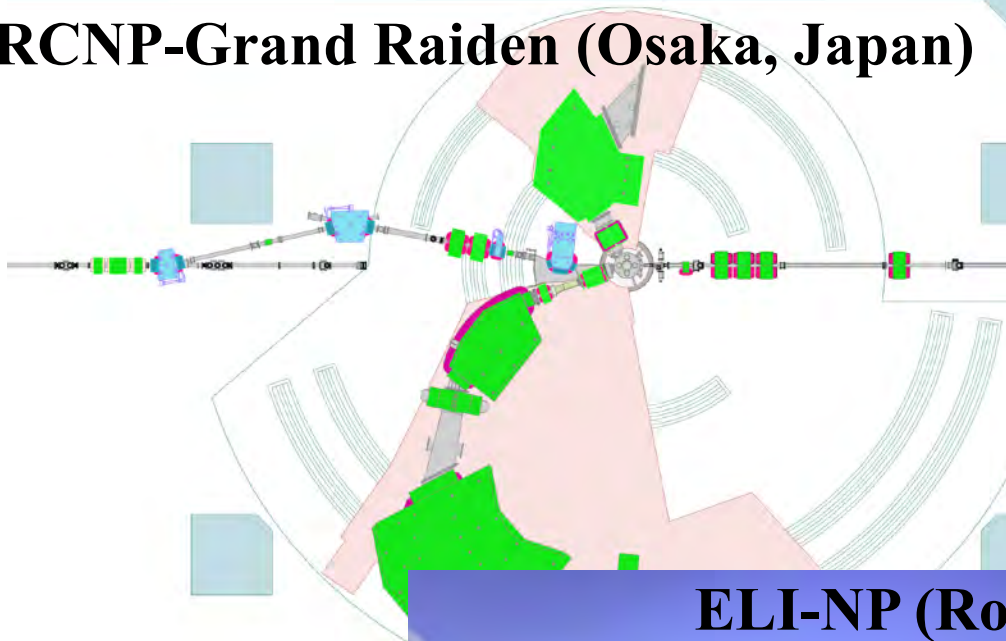


PANDORA Project

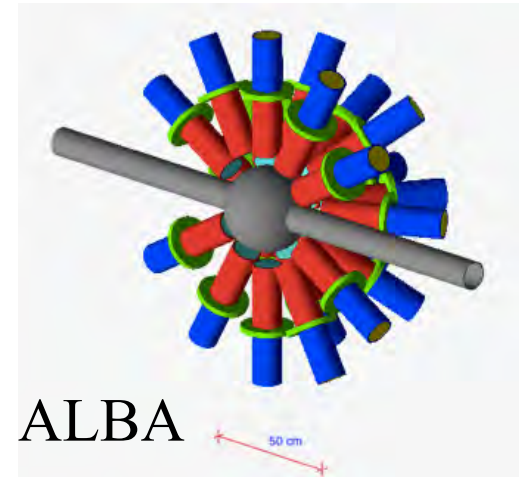
Photo-Absorption of Nuclei and Decay Observation for Reactions in Astrophysics

Joint project among three experimental facilities with nuclear theories and astrophysical simulations

RCNP-Grand Raiden (Osaka, Japan)



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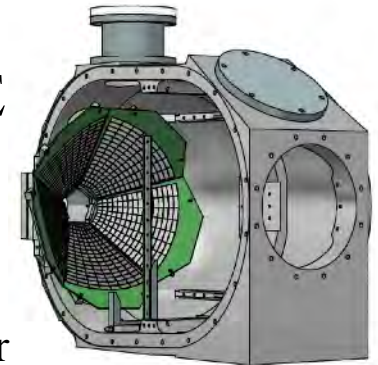


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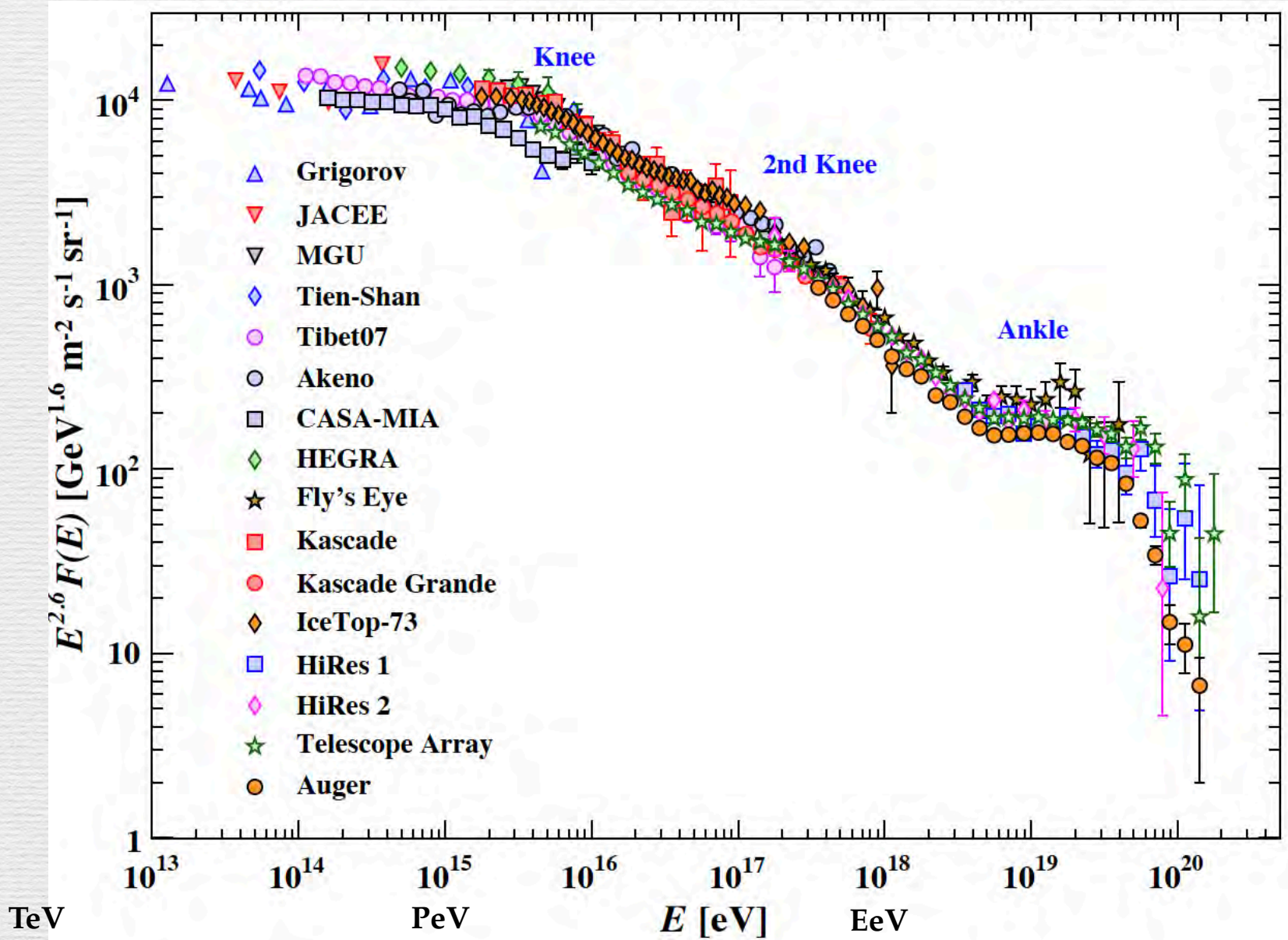


CAKE

decay
charge
particle
detector
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complementary
experimental
techniques



Observation of UHECRs



Pierre Auger Observatory (Southern Hemisph.)
Telescope Array (Northern Hemisphere)

Hadronic process

primarily produces mesons (π or K)

$p(A) + A \rightarrow \pi, K, \text{ and nuclear fragments}$

$$\pi^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm + \nu_\mu (\bar{\nu}_\mu)$$

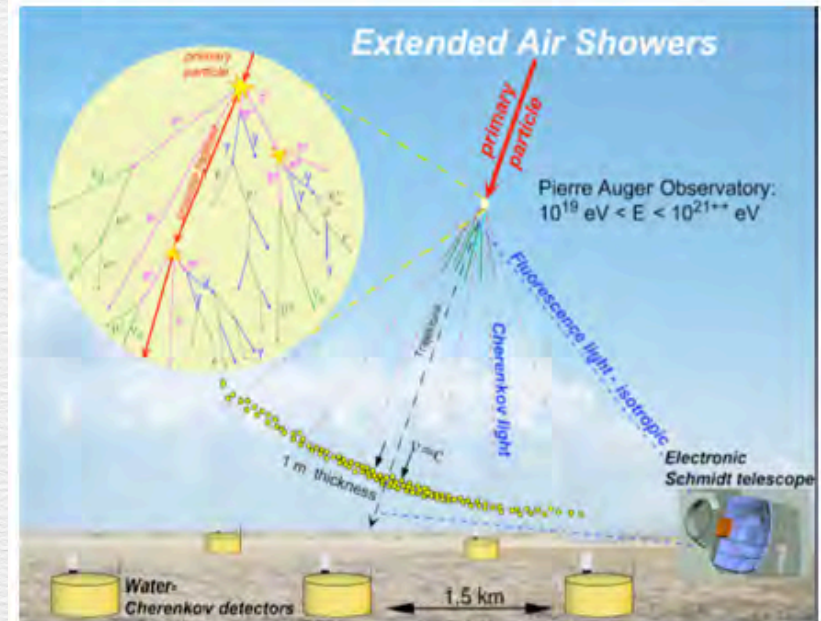
$$\pi^0 \rightarrow 2\gamma$$

$$\gamma \rightarrow e^+ + e^-$$

$$e^\pm + A \rightarrow e^\pm + A + \gamma$$

Electromagnetic Shower

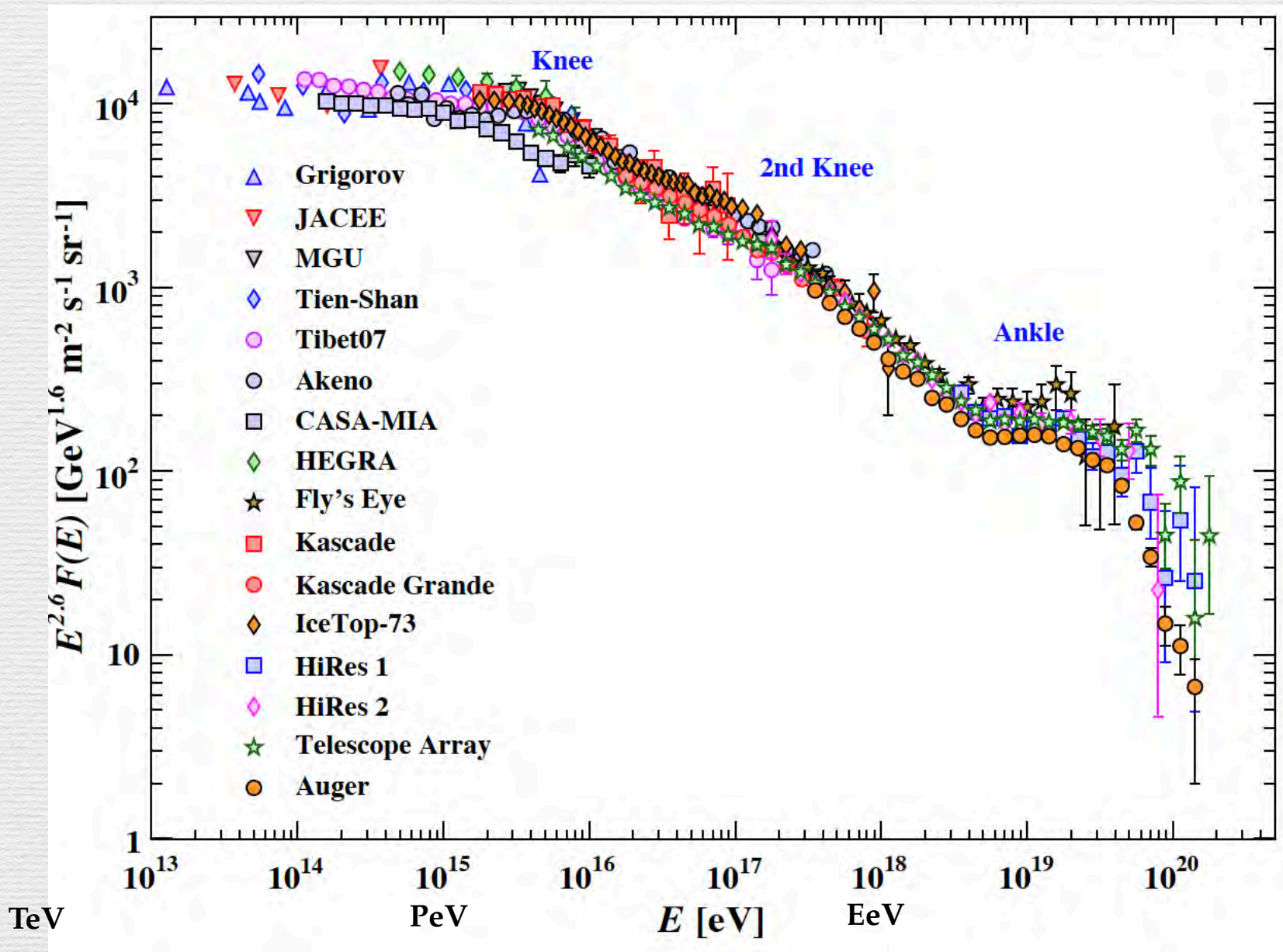
above 10^{19} eV, ~ 1 particles/km²/year



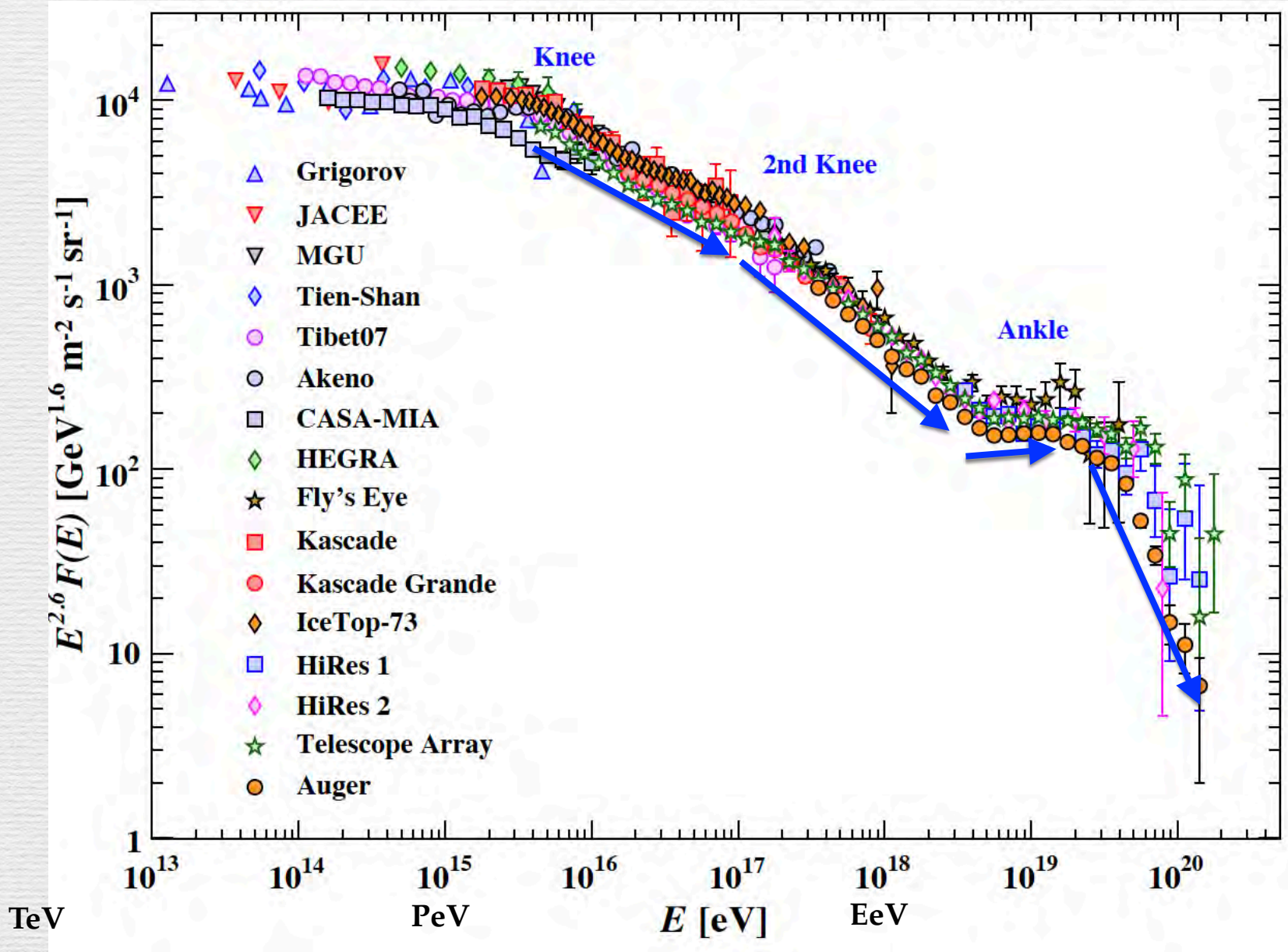
Auger

1600 Surface Detectors in 3000 km²
24 Fluorescence Detectors at 4 sites

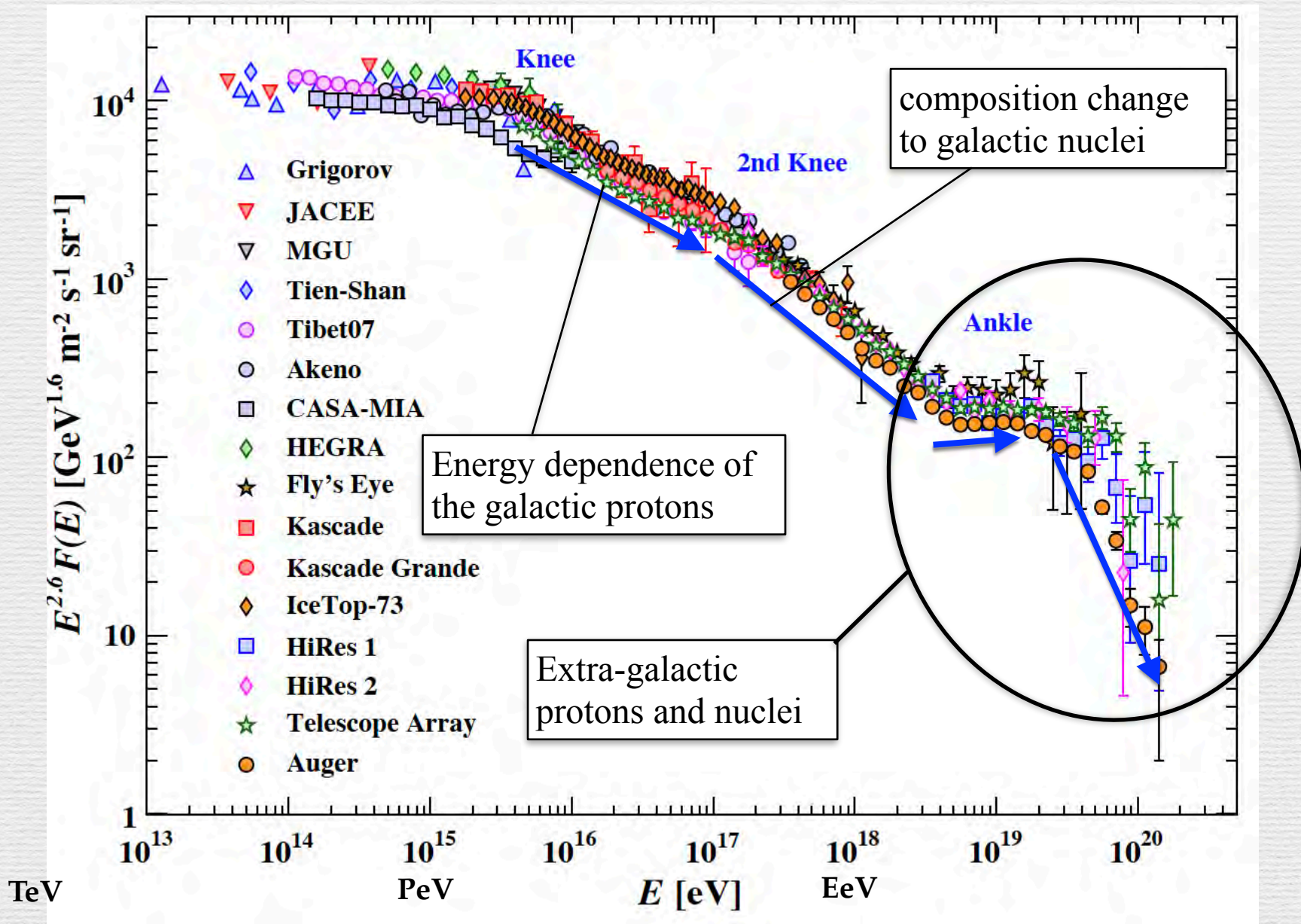
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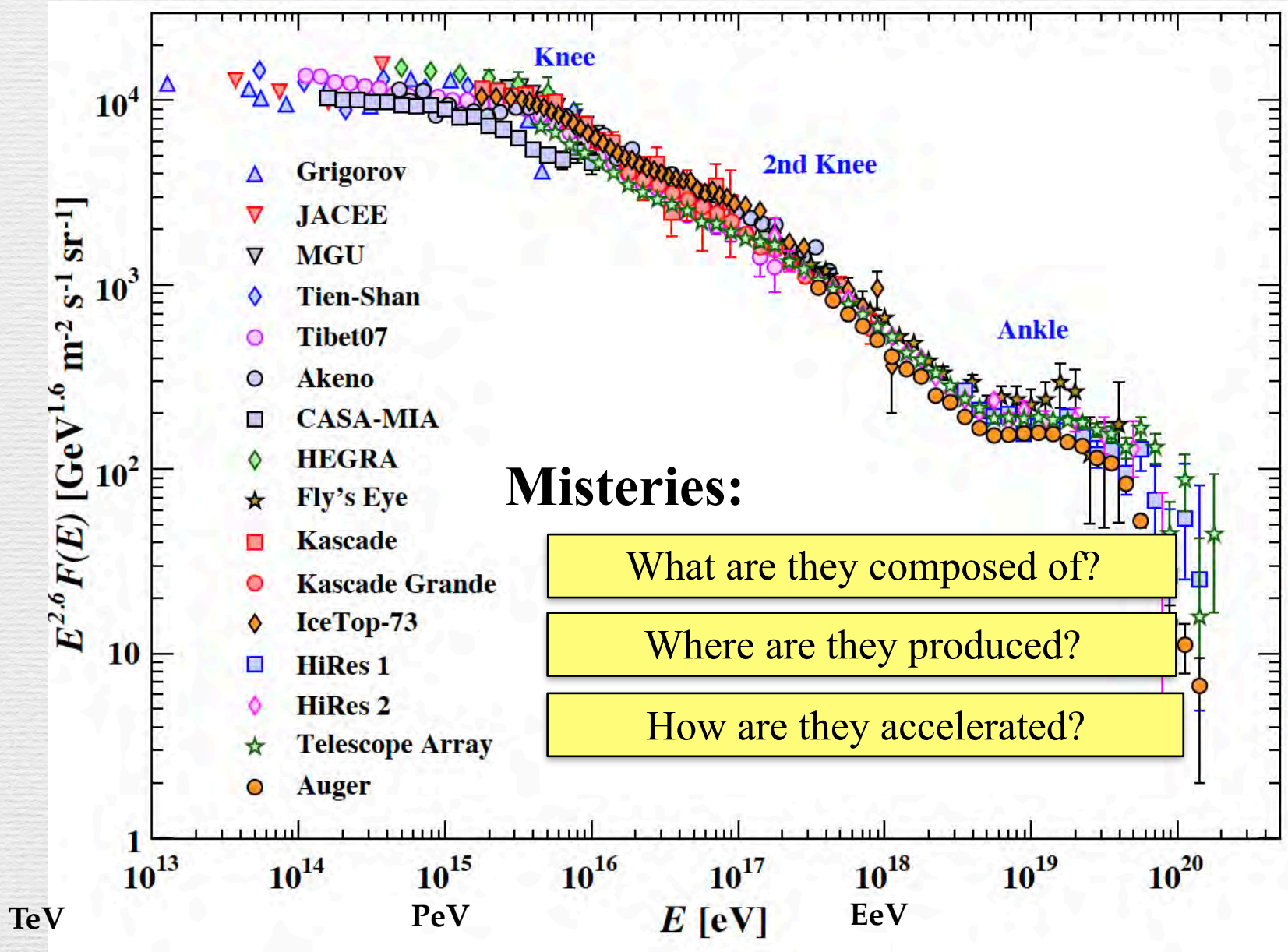


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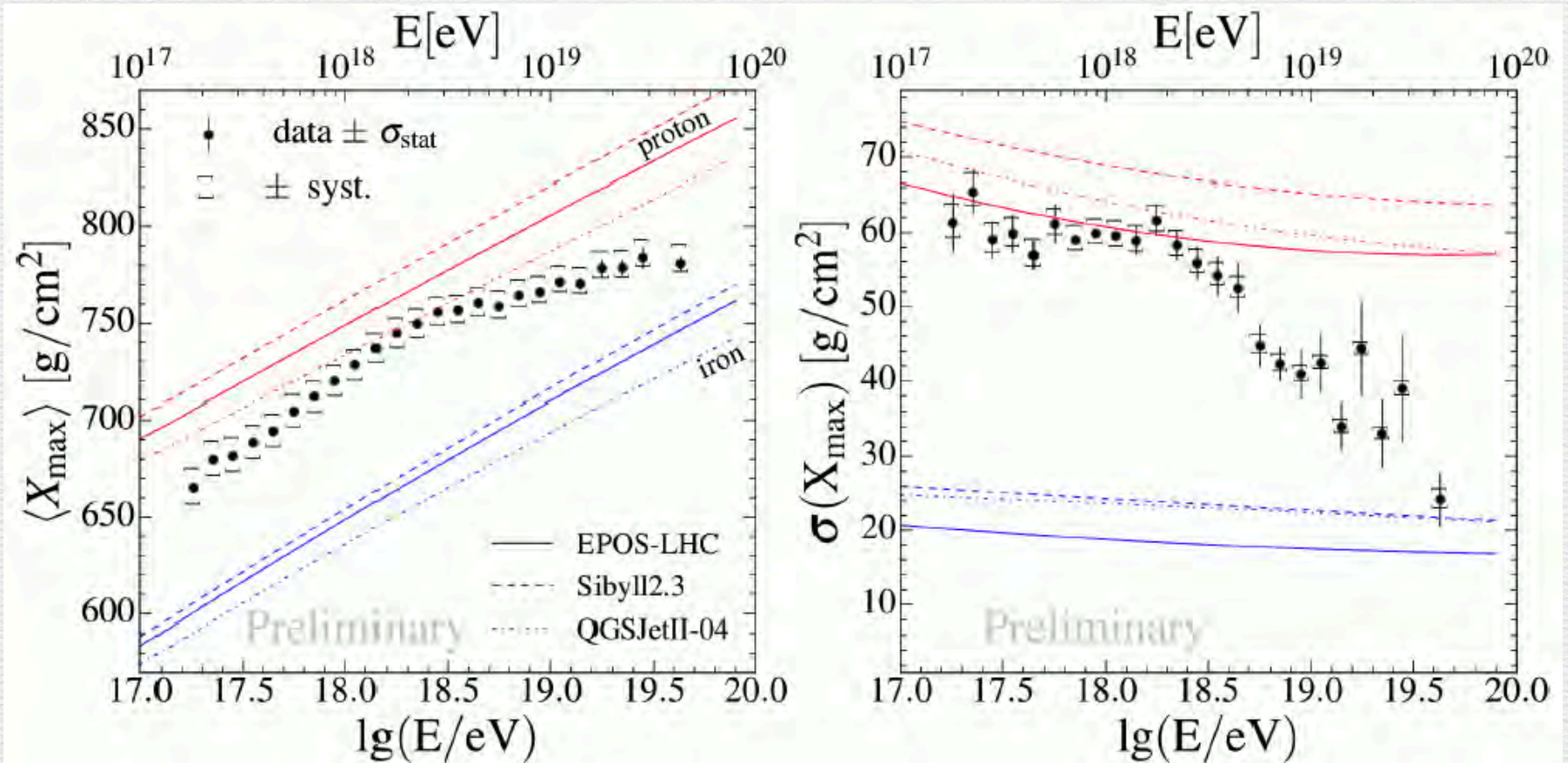


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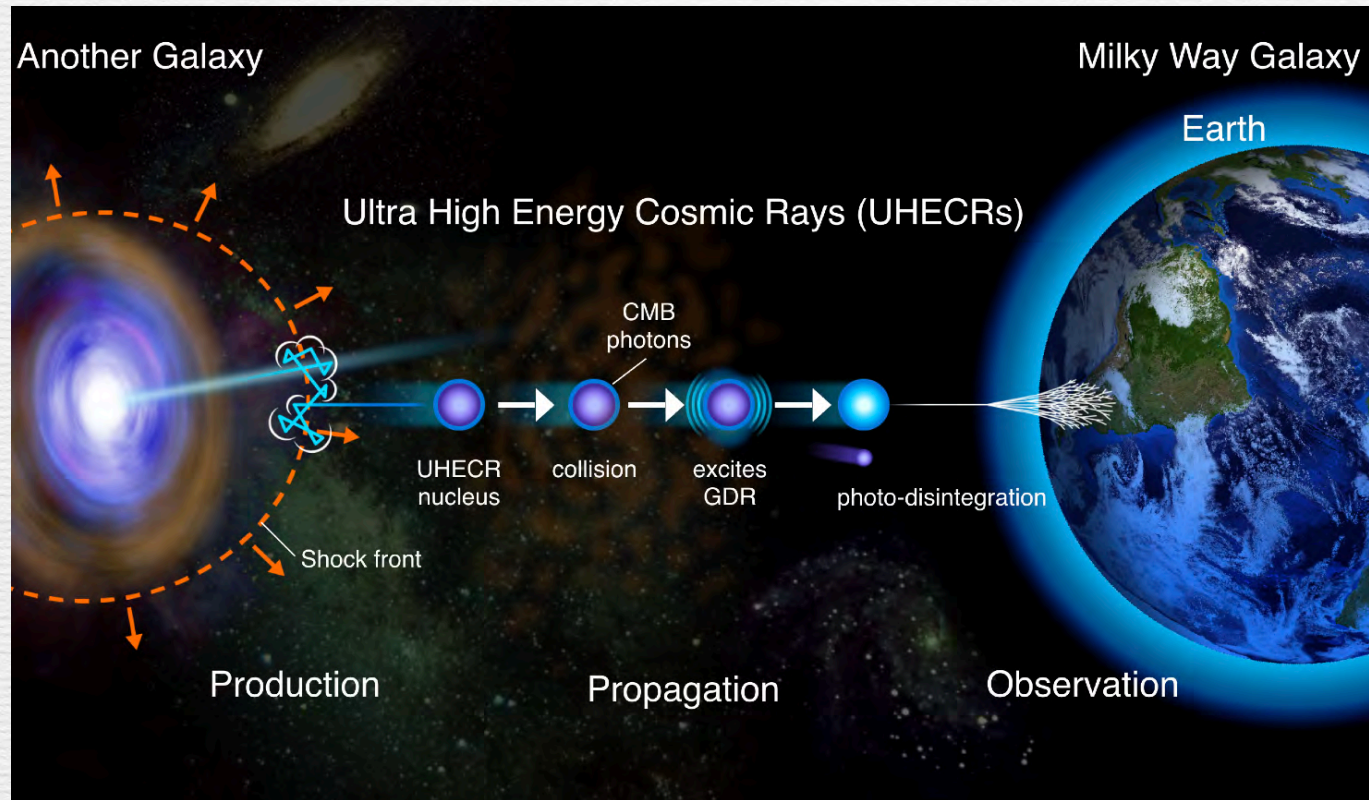
Pierre Auger Observatory



The fraction of proton increases up to $10^{18.3}$ eV and then decreases.

Heavier mass nuclei are becoming dominating the composition at the highest energy.

Extragalactic Propagation of UHECR Nuclei



Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB)

WMAP
 $T=2.73\text{ K}$

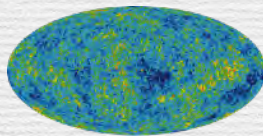


Photo-nuclear reactions determine the allowed travel distance of UHECRs nuclei and their composition/energy modification in extra-galactic propagation.



GZK cut-off

Photo-disintegration Pass of ^{56}Fe

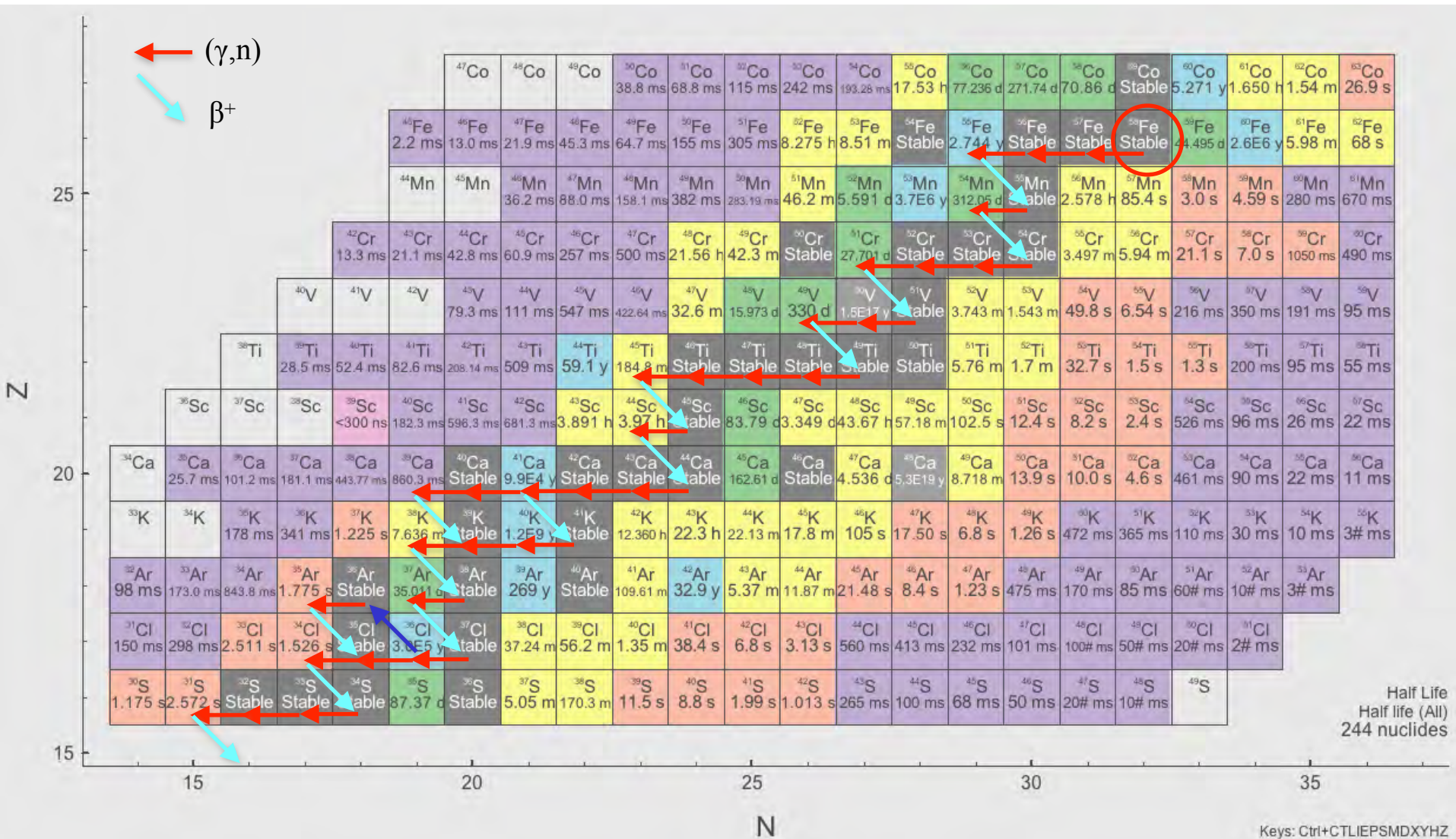
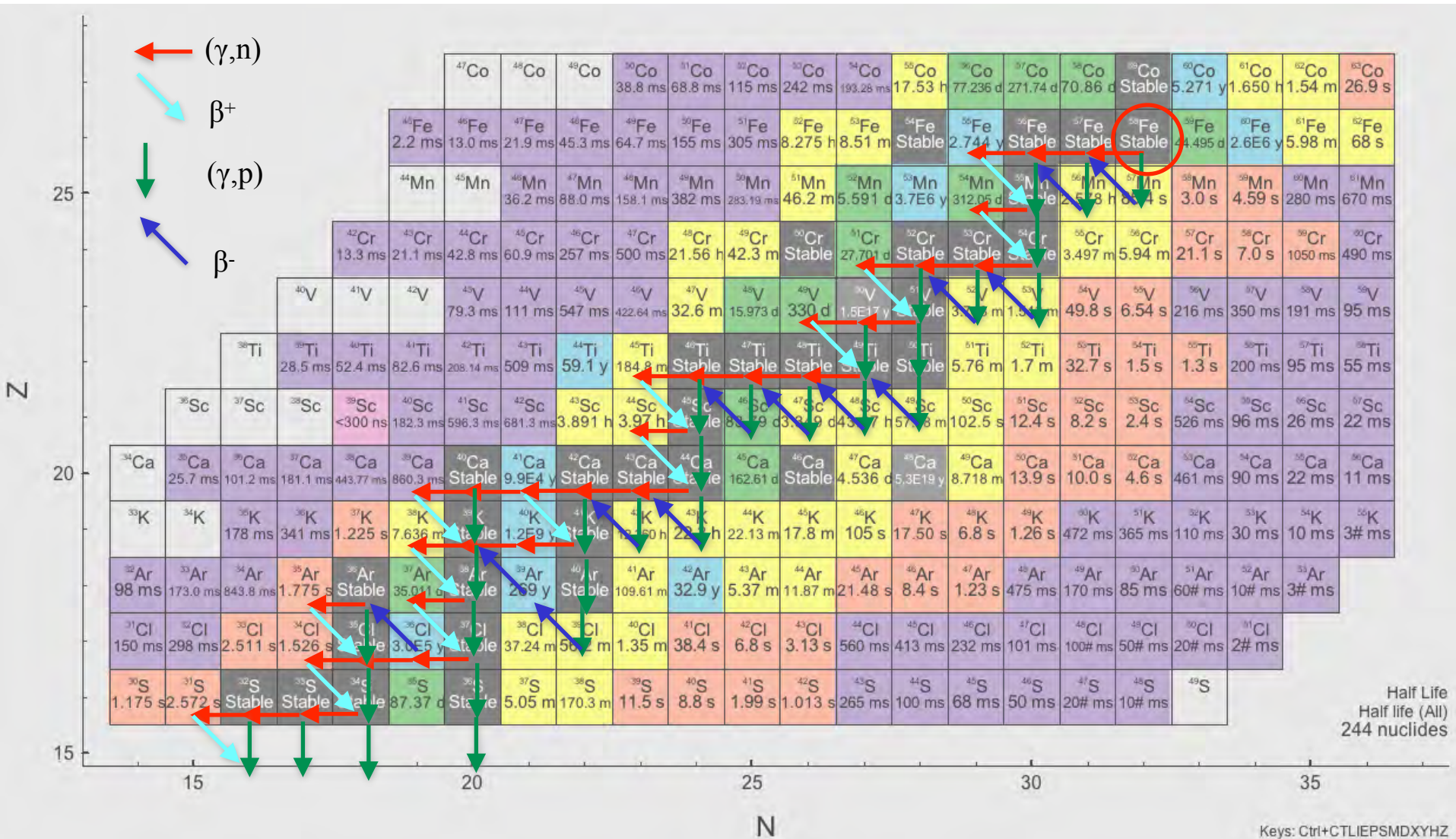
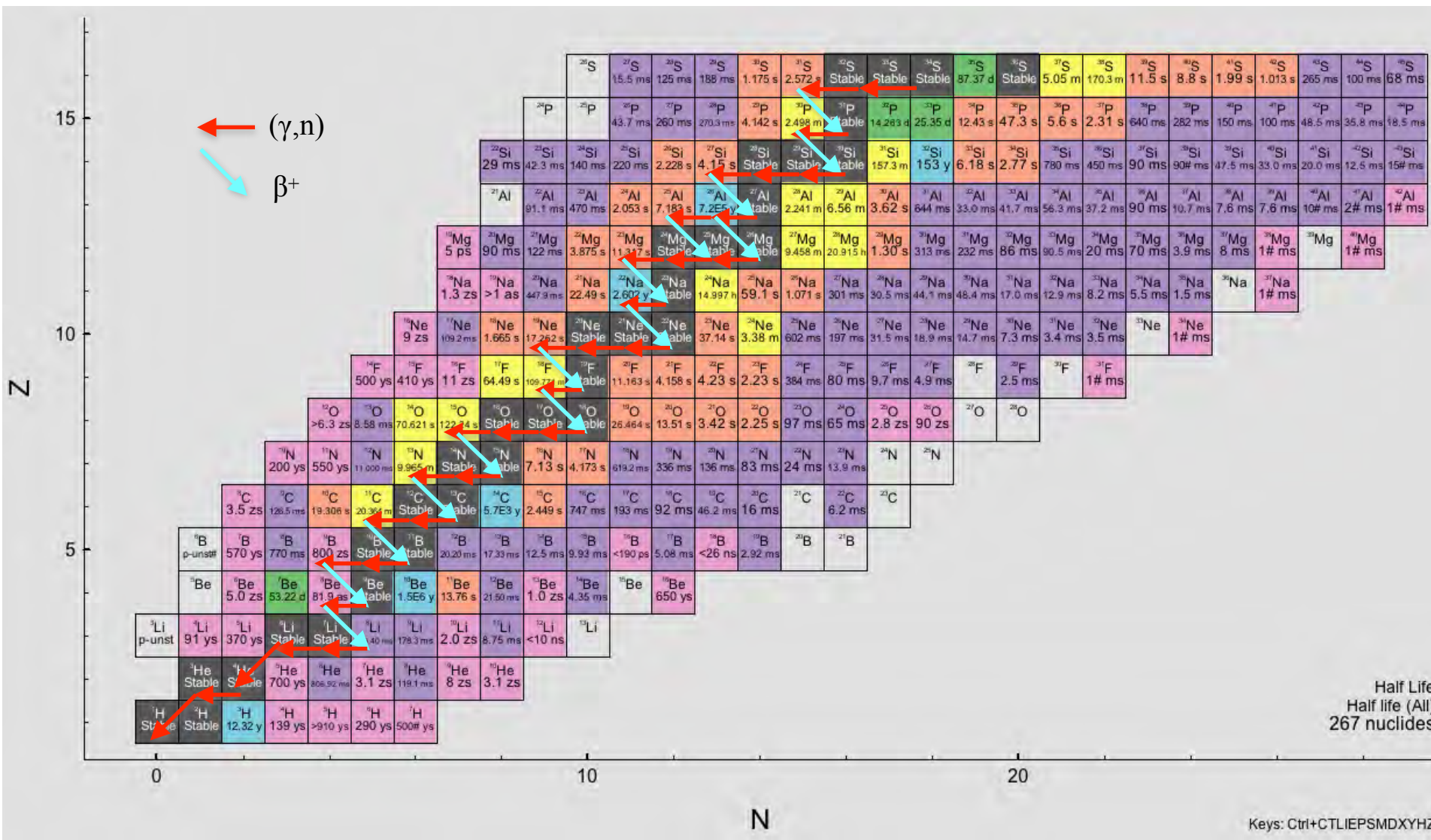


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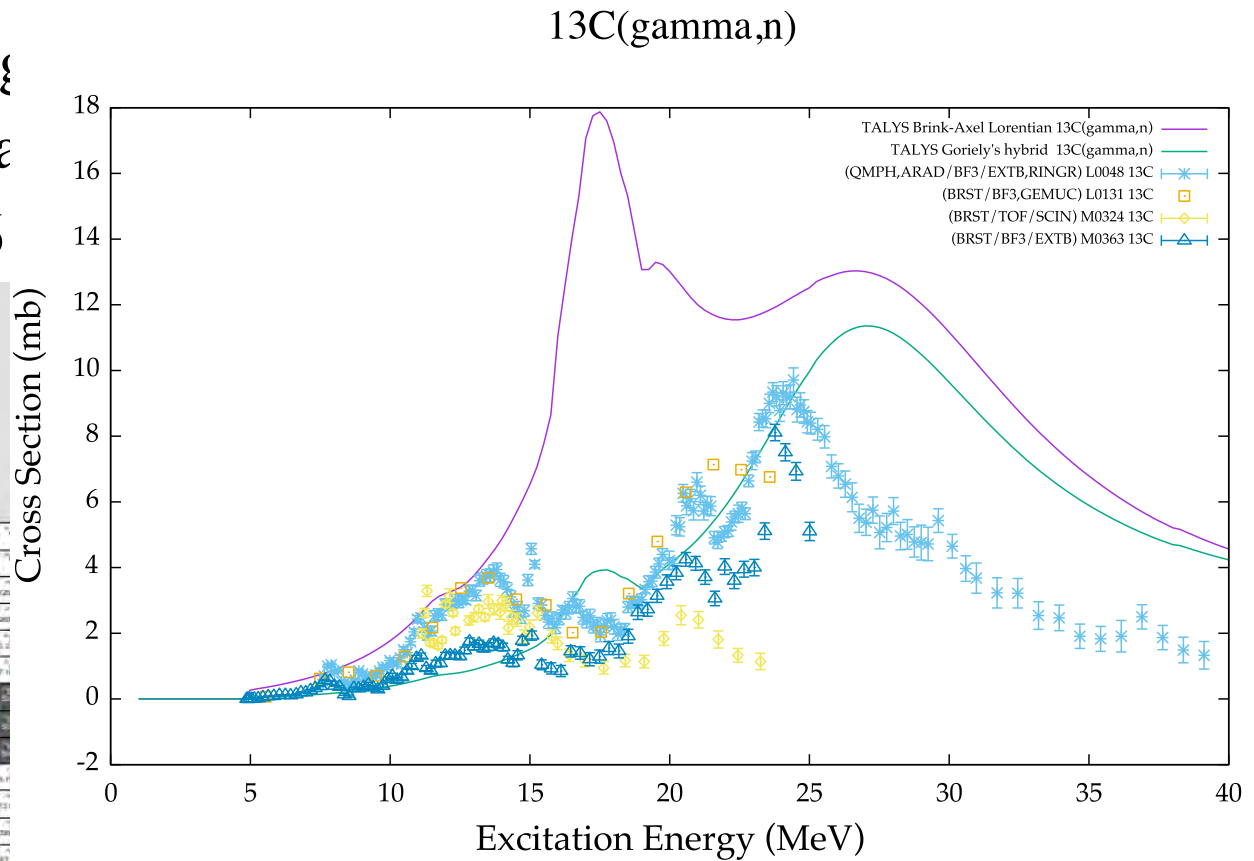
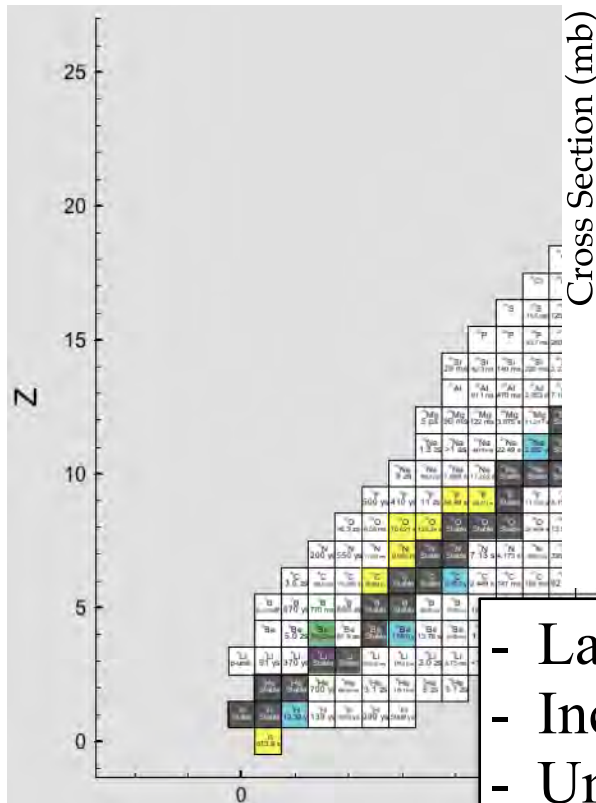
(γ, xn) , (γ, α) reactions also take place.
 Several unstable nuclei also contribute.

Photo-disintegration Pass of ^{56}Fe



Systematic Measurement on Photo-Absorption C.S. and n,p, α , γ decays for light to $A \sim 56$ stable nuclei

- E1 excitation strength
- n, p, α , γ decay branches
- from light to $A \sim 56$



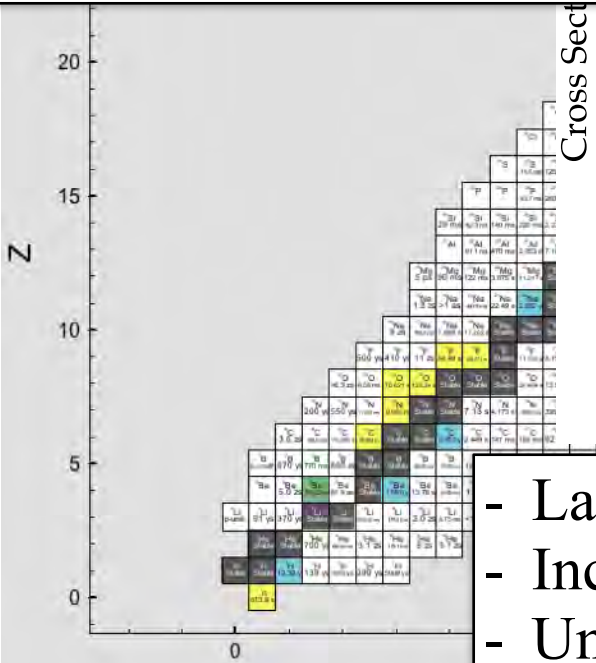
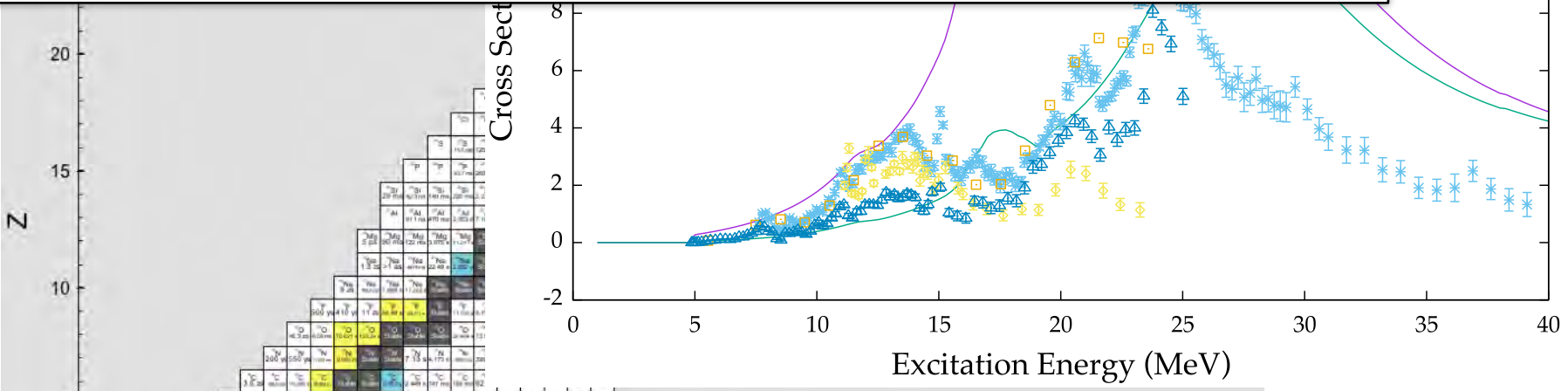
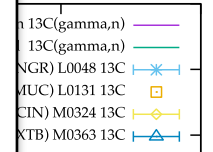
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- Inconsistency among experiments
- Unrealistic model predictions

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Systematic Measurement on Photo-Absorption C.S. and n,p,α,γ decays for light to $A\sim 56$ stable nuclei

difficulties in theoretical modeling of light-medium mass nuclei

- stronger shell structure effects than heavy nuclei
- many-nucleon correlations
 α -clustering, np -pairing, deformation, ...
- isospin selection rule, often unimplemented in statistical calculations.



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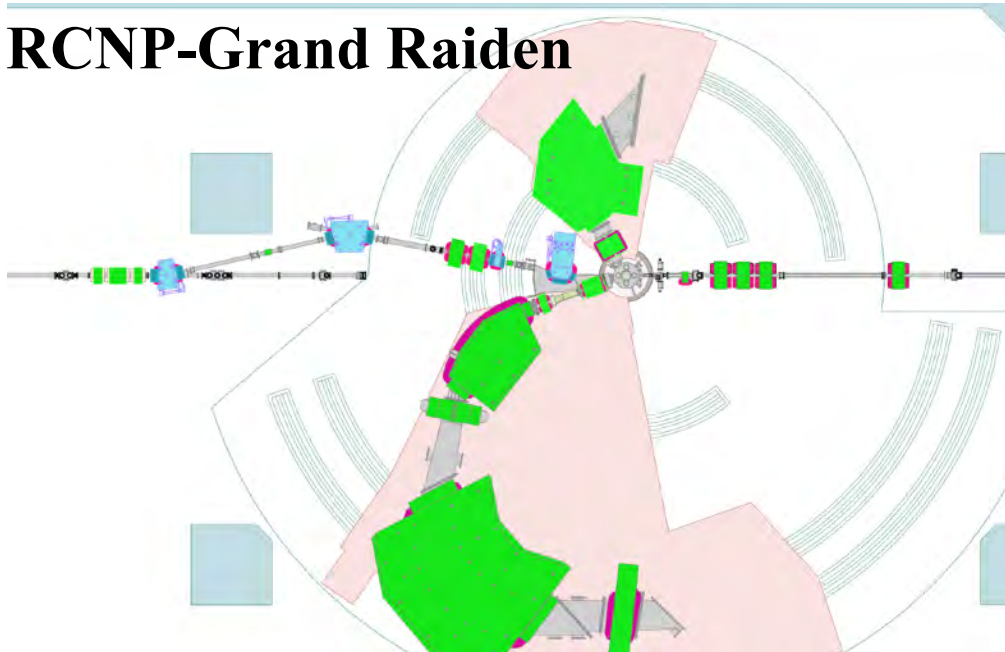
We need good systematic data and reliable models!

PANDORA Project

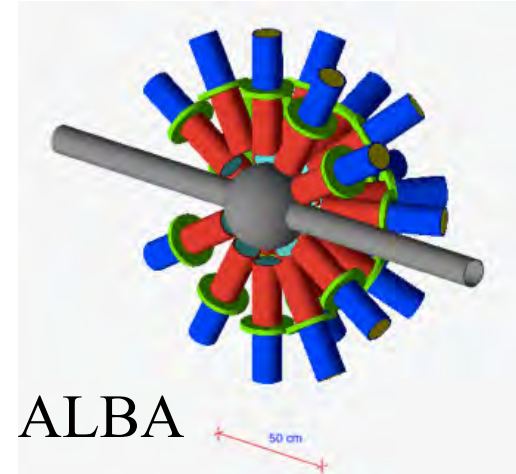
Photo-Absorption of Nuclei and Decay Observation for Reactions in Astrophysics

Systematic Measurement on E1 Strength Distribution and n,p, α , γ decays up to $A \sim 56$

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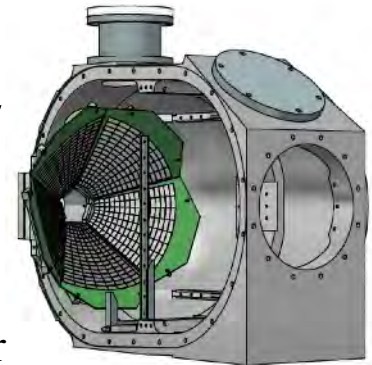
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Combination of experiments with complementary devices.



CAKE

decay charge particle detector array



Experiment combining three complementary facilities

Virtual Photon Exp.

RCNP 2022-

Total strength distribution up 32 MeV

γ -decay

multipole decomp. analysis (ang. dep. and polarization transfer)

iThemba LABS 2021-

Total strength distribution up 24 MeV

p, α , γ -decays

multipole decomp. analysis (ang. dep.)

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Real Photon Exp.

ELI-NP 2023-

absolute c.s.

model independent separation of E1 and M1

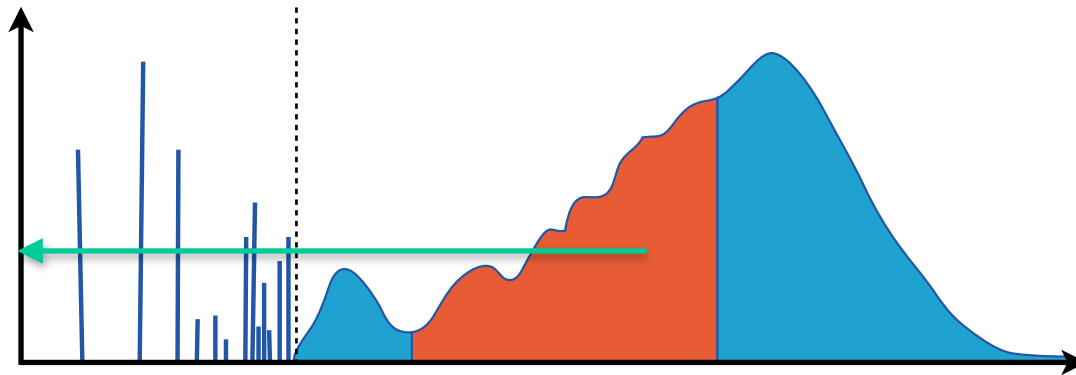
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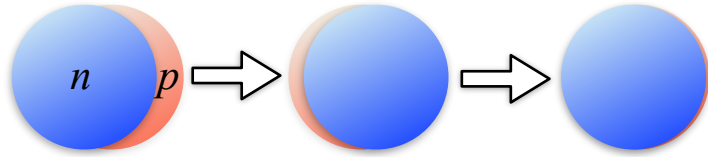
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III Physics Topics

Fine Structure of the Giant Dipole Resonance Damping mechanism and the Nuclear Level Density



Damping Mechanism of Collective Excitations (IVGDR)



Damping of IVGDR

Macroscopically

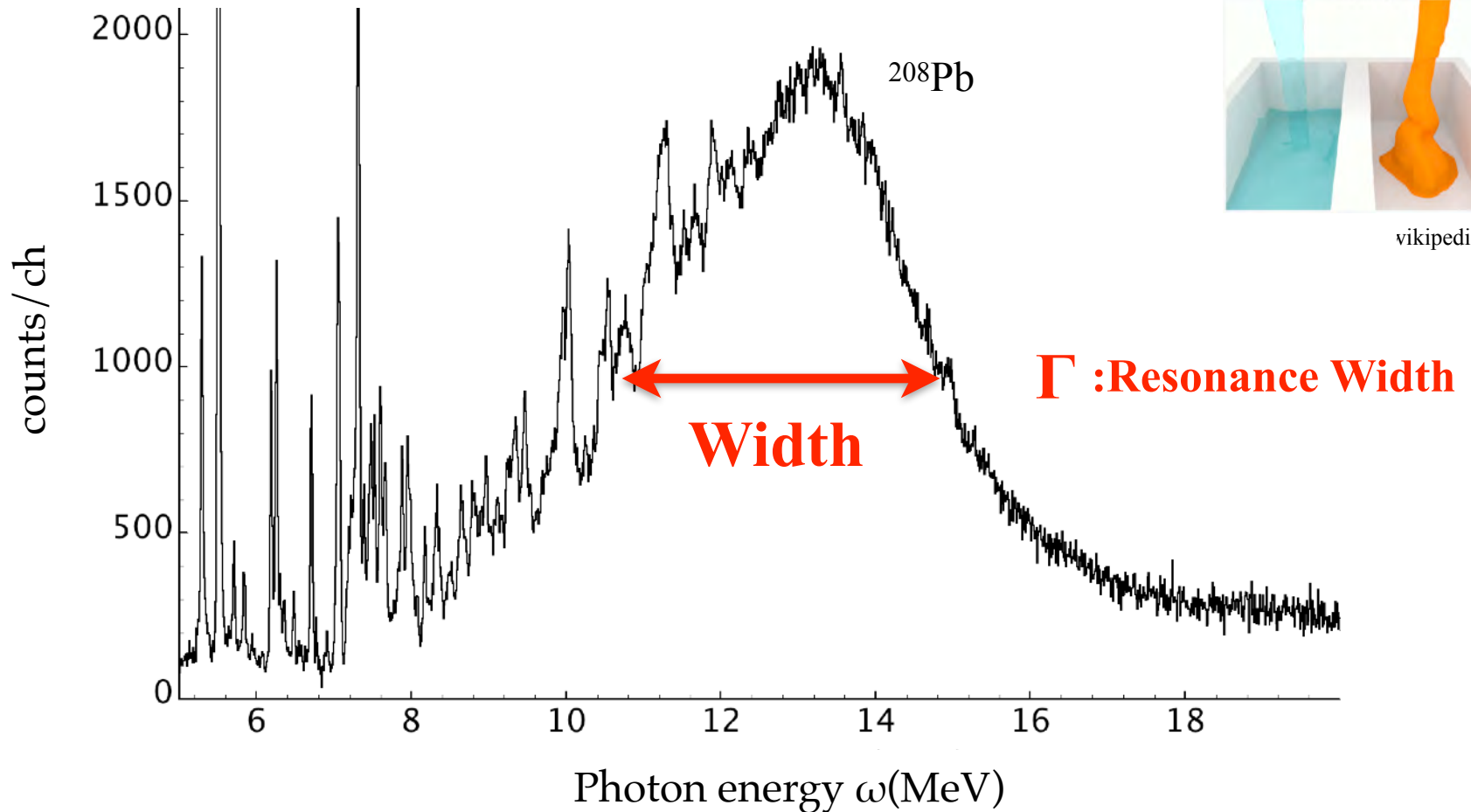
IVGDR: relative dipole oscillation between p and n

Damping: due to viscosity between the p and n fluids

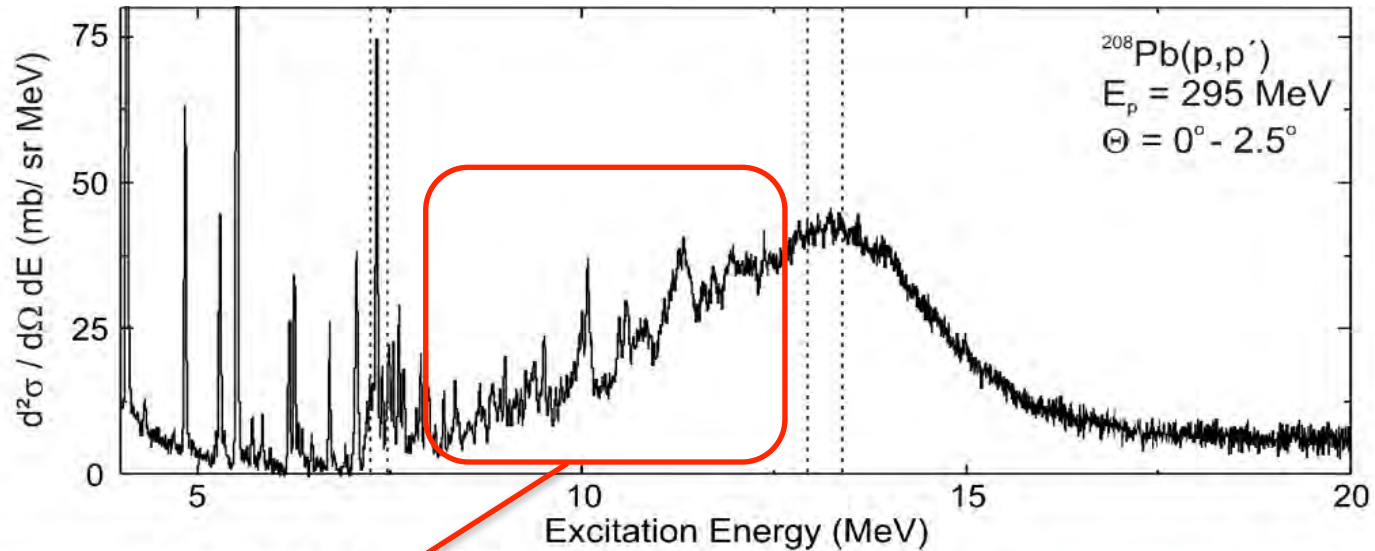
see e.g. J. Wambach, Rep. Prog. Phys. '88



wikipedia



Fine Structure of the GDR



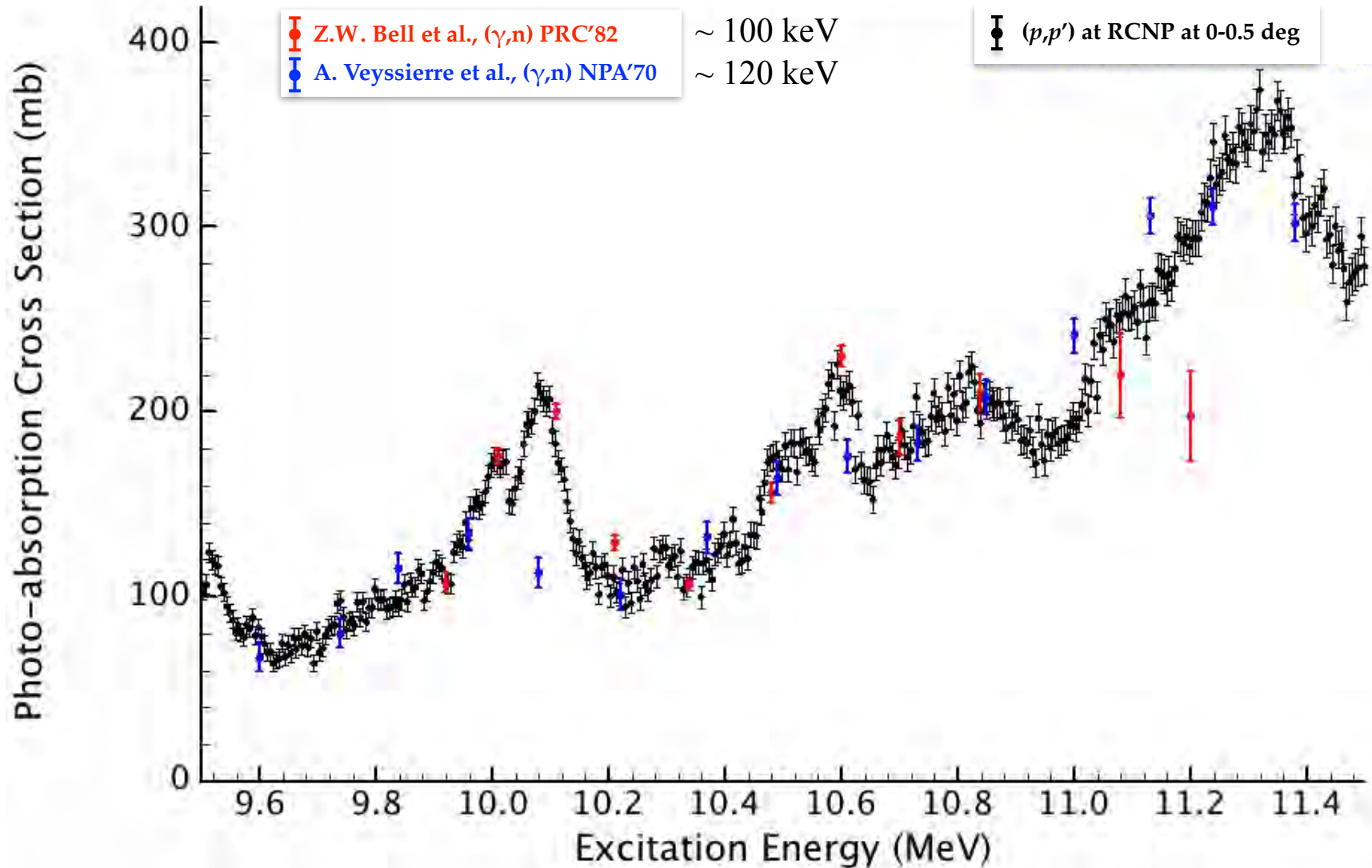
Fine structure of the GDR is clearly observed.

→ Energy dissipation and damping

Gamma decay measurement of the GDR will be one of interesting probes to study the damping mechanism of the GDR.

See e.g. J. Beene et al., PRC41, 920 (1990)

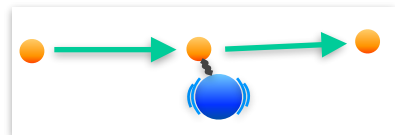
Fine Structure of the GDR



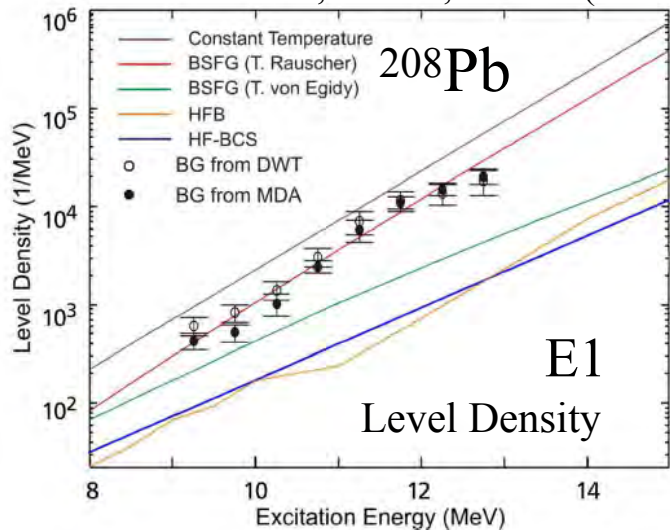
20-30 keV resolution is required.

Nuclear Level Densities

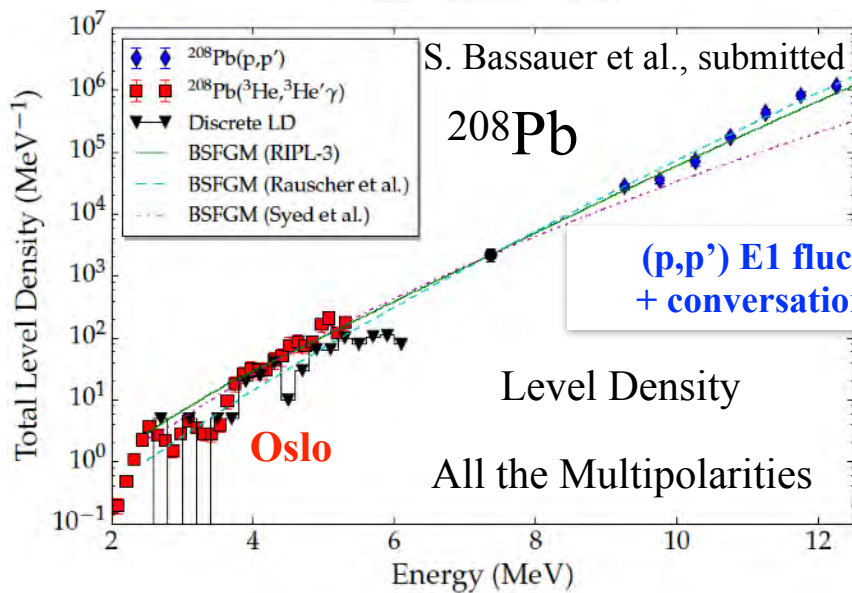
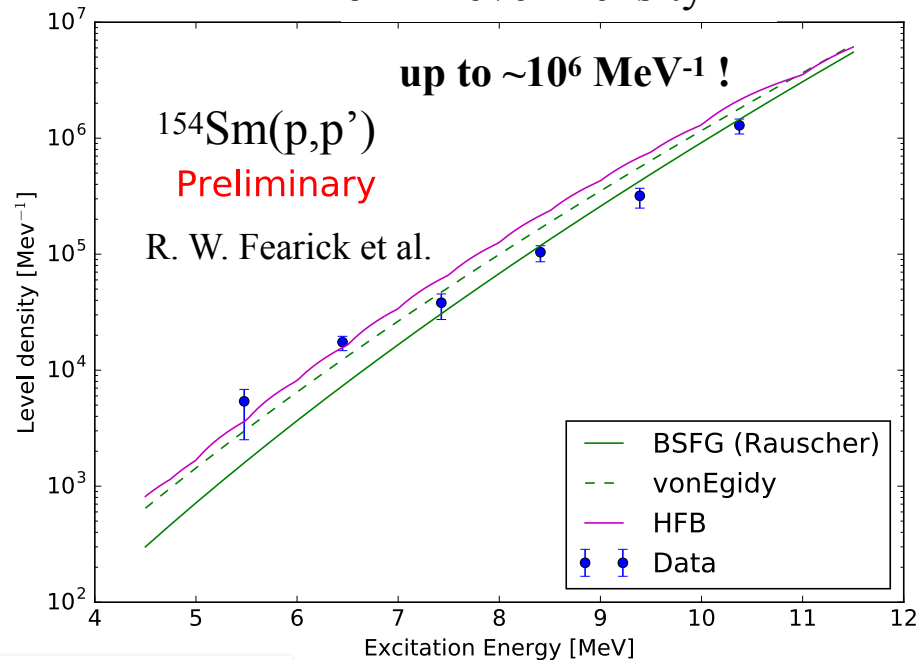
extracted by fluctuation analysis using auto-correlation function



I. Poltoratska et al., PRC89, 054322 (2014)



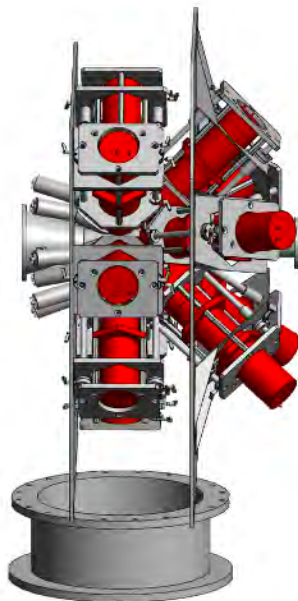
$J=1$ Level Density



Level density of states can be extracted from high-resolution data

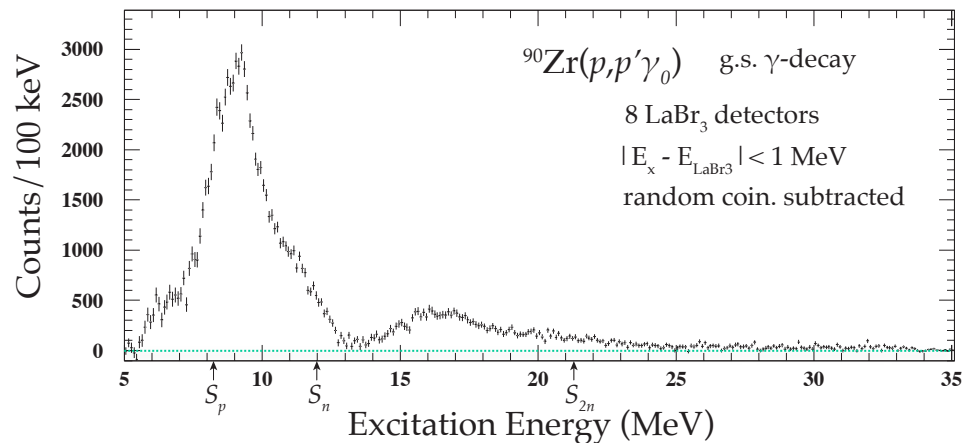
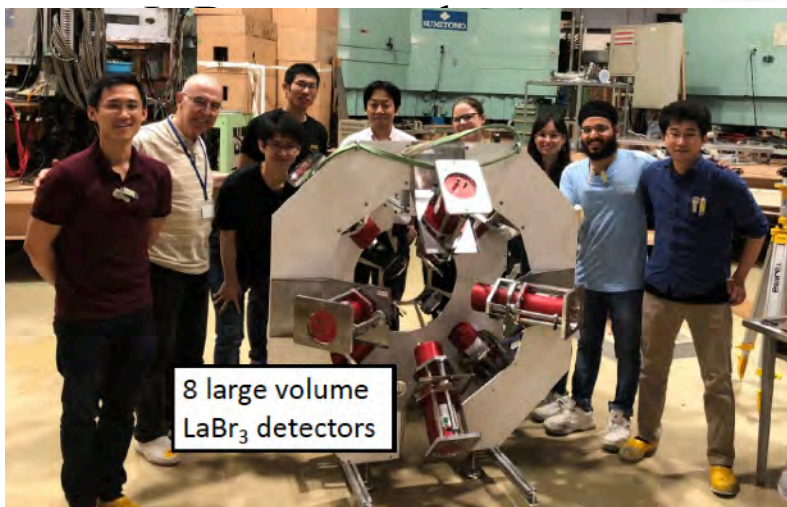
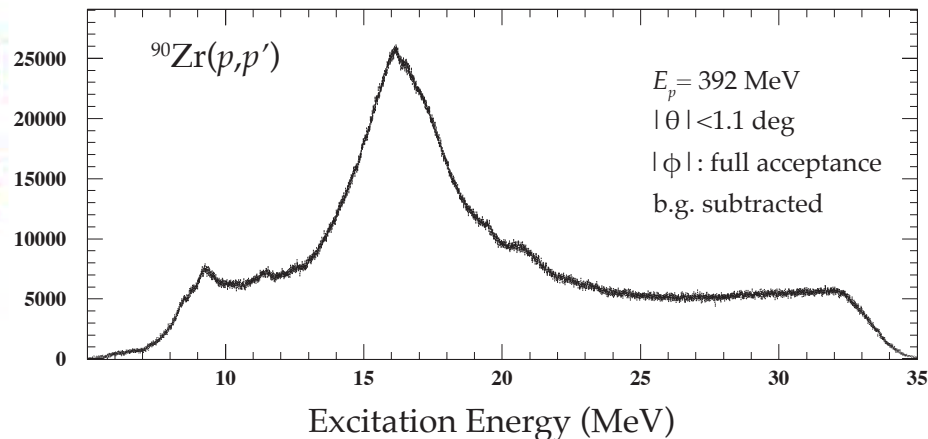
Damping Mechanism of the GDR in ^{90}Zr

(July 2018 at RCNP)



preliminary $^{90}\text{Zr}(p,p')$ at 0 deg

RCNP-E498
semi-offline analysis
2018/08/03 Run #1101-1266

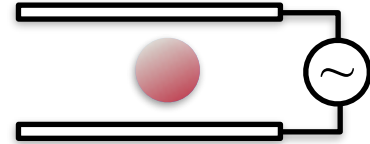


A part of the E498 collaborators
in collaboration with ELI-NP

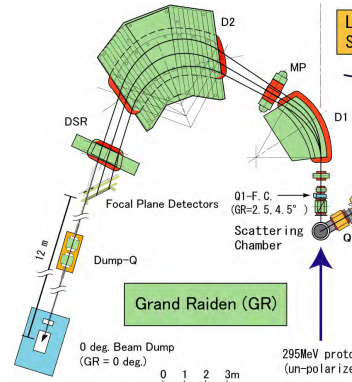
further analysis is in progress 53

Summary

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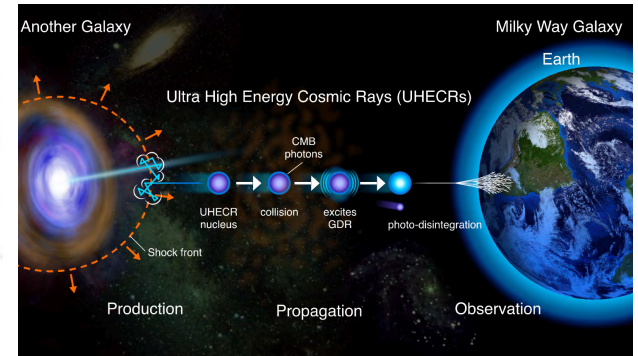
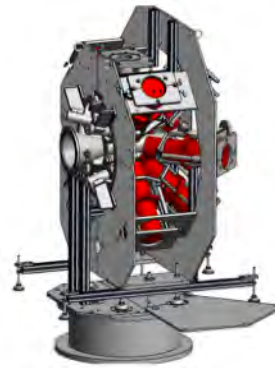
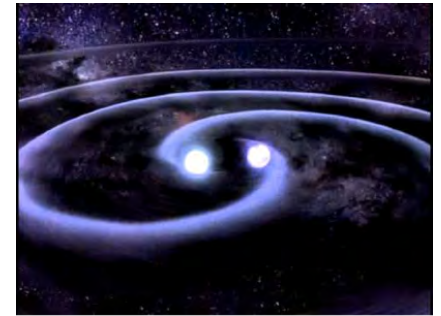


II. Experimental Methods



III. Physics Topics

- Polarizability and Symmetry Energy
- Ultra-High-Energy Cosmic Rays
- Fine Structure of GDR



Thank you

For your attention