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Nuclear double- β decay studied by self-consistent QRPA approach

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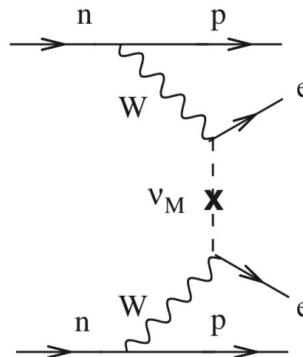
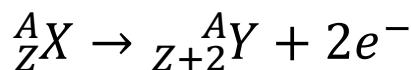
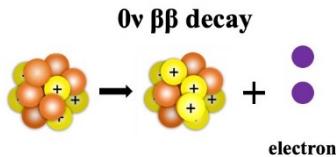
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- **$2\nu 2\beta$ NME calculated by relativistic QRPA**
- **Summary and Perspective**

Nuclear double beta decays

- **0ν ββ-decay**

Furry, Phys. Rev. 56, 1184 (1939)



$$T_{1/2} > 10^{26} \text{ yr}$$

- Neutrino

Majorana or Dirac nature?

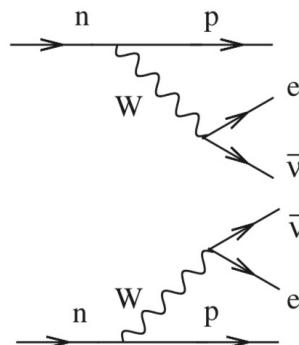
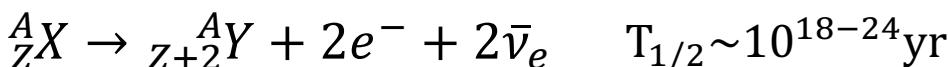
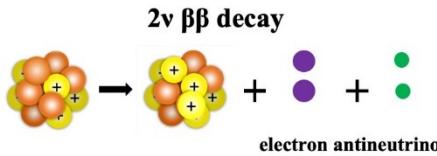
- Neutrino Mass
- Lepton number conservation

Avignone, et al., RMP 80, 481(2008)

GERDA Collaboration, Phys. Rev. Lett. 125, 252502 (2020)

- **2ν ββ-decay**

M. G. Mayer, Phys. Rev. 48, 512 (1935)



second order process

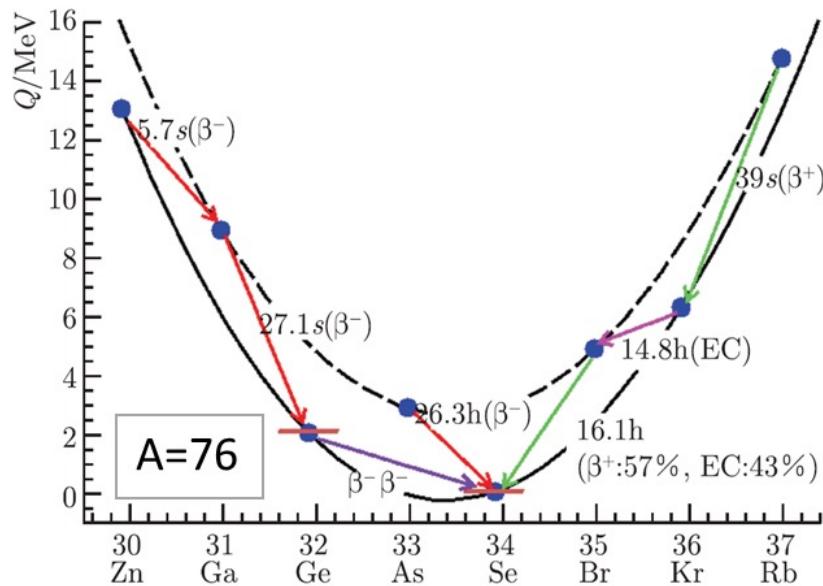
- Experimentally observed
- Benchmark nuclear models for further study of 0ν ββ-decay

A. S. Barabash, Phys. Rev. C 81, 035501 (2010)

Candidate nuclei for $\beta\beta$ -decay

- **$\beta\beta$ -decay candidates:**

- ✓ even-even nucleus (Z, A)
- ✓ pairing forces make it more bound than its ($Z+1, A$) neighbor, but less so than the ($Z+2, A$) nuclide.



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Haxton, PPNP 12, 409 (1984)

$\beta^- \beta^-$ transition	$\beta^- \beta^-$ transition
$^{46}\text{Ca} \rightarrow ^{46}\text{Ti}$	$^{134}\text{Xe} \rightarrow ^{134}\text{Ba}$
$^{48}\text{Ca} \rightarrow ^{48}\text{Ti}$	$^{136}\text{Xe} \rightarrow ^{136}\text{Ba}$
$^{70}\text{Zn} \rightarrow ^{70}\text{Ge}$	$^{142}\text{Ce} \rightarrow ^{142}\text{Nd}$
$^{76}\text{Ge} \rightarrow ^{76}\text{Se}$	$^{146}\text{Nd} \rightarrow ^{146}\text{Sm}$
$^{80}\text{Se} \rightarrow ^{80}\text{Kr}$	$^{148}\text{Nd} \rightarrow ^{148}\text{Sm}$
$^{82}\text{Se} \rightarrow ^{82}\text{Kr}$	$^{150}\text{Nd} \rightarrow ^{150}\text{Sm}$
$^{86}\text{Kr} \rightarrow ^{86}\text{Sr}$	$^{154}\text{Sm} \rightarrow ^{154}\text{Gd}$
$^{94}\text{Zr} \rightarrow ^{94}\text{Mo}$	$^{160}\text{Gd} \rightarrow ^{160}\text{Dy}$
$^{96}\text{Zr} \rightarrow ^{96}\text{Mo}$	$^{170}\text{Er} \rightarrow ^{170}\text{Yb}$
$^{98}\text{Mo} \rightarrow ^{98}\text{Ru}$	$^{176}\text{Yb} \rightarrow ^{176}\text{Hf}$
$^{100}\text{Mo} \rightarrow ^{100}\text{Ru}$	$^{186}\text{W} \rightarrow ^{186}\text{Os}$
$^{104}\text{Ru} \rightarrow ^{104}\text{Pd}$	$^{192}\text{Os} \rightarrow ^{192}\text{Pt}$
$^{110}\text{Pd} \rightarrow ^{110}\text{Cd}$	$^{198}\text{Pt} \rightarrow ^{198}\text{Hg}$
$^{114}\text{Cd} \rightarrow ^{114}\text{Sn}$	$^{204}\text{Hg} \rightarrow ^{204}\text{Pb}$
$^{116}\text{Cd} \rightarrow ^{116}\text{Sn}$	$^{226}\text{Ra} \rightarrow ^{226}\text{Th}$
$^{122}\text{Sn} \rightarrow ^{122}\text{Te}$	$^{232}\text{Th} \rightarrow ^{232}\text{U}$
$^{124}\text{Sn} \rightarrow ^{124}\text{Te}$	$^{238}\text{U} \rightarrow ^{238}\text{Pu}$
$^{128}\text{Te} \rightarrow ^{128}\text{Xe}$	$^{244}\text{Pu} \rightarrow ^{244}\text{Cm}$
$^{130}\text{Te} \rightarrow ^{130}\text{Xe}$	$^{248}\text{Cm} \rightarrow ^{248}\text{Cf}$

Experimentally observed $2\nu 2\beta$

Nuclear Matrix Element (NME) of $2\nu\beta\beta$ decay

- **$2\nu\beta\beta$ decay half-life and NMEs**

$$[T_{1/2}^{2\nu}]^{-1} = G^{2\nu} g_A^4 |M_{\text{GT}}^{2\nu}|^2$$

- ✓ $G^{2\nu}$ ($Q_{\beta\beta}, Z$): phase space factor kinetics calculation

J. Suhonen and O. Civitarese, Phys. Rep. 300, 123(1998)

J. Kotila and F. Iachello, Phys. Rev. C 85, 034316 (2012)

S. Stoica and M. Mirea, Phys. Rev. C 88, 037303(2013)

- majority nuclei : < 1%
- ^{96}Zr ^{100}Mo ^{116}Cd : ~ 4%-6%

A. S. Barabash, Phys. Rev. C 81, 035501 (2010)

A. S. Barabash, Nucl. Phys. A 935, 52 (2015)

- ✓ Nuclear Matrix Element (NME)
 - Lowest-order transition operators:
 - Fermi: forbidden by isospin conservation
 - Gamow-Teller (GT): allowed

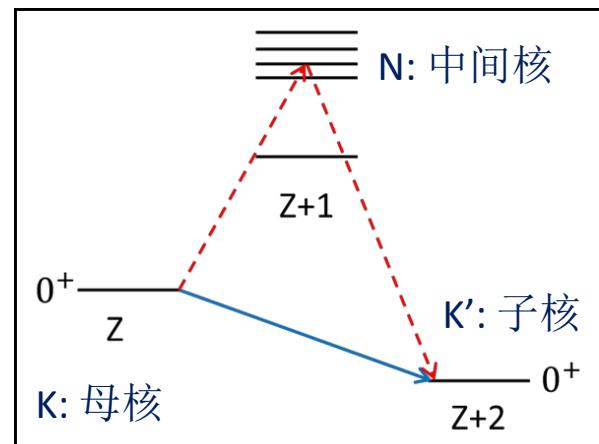
$$M_{\text{GT}}^{2\nu} = \sum_{N_1 N_2} \frac{\langle \psi_{K'} | |\hat{O}_{\text{GT}}^-| | \psi_{N_2} \rangle \langle \psi_{N_2} | \psi_{N_1} \rangle \langle \psi_{N_1} | |\hat{O}_{\text{GT}}^-| | \psi_K \rangle}{E_N^* + M_N - (M_K + M_{K'})/2}$$

“Experimental” NMEs

TABLE II. Half-life and nuclear matrix element values for two-neutrino double- β decay (see Sec. IV).

Isotope	$T_{1/2}(2\nu)$ (years)	$M^{2\nu}$
^{48}Ca	$4.4_{-0.5}^{+0.6} \times 10^{19}$	$0.0238_{-0.0017}^{+0.0015}$
^{76}Ge	$(1.5 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{21}$	$0.0716_{-0.0023}^{+0.0025}$
^{82}Se	$(0.92 \pm 0.07) \times 10^{20}$	$0.0503_{-0.0018}^{+0.0020}$
^{96}Zr	$(2.3 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{19}$	$0.0491_{-0.0020}^{+0.0023}$
^{100}Mo	$(7.1 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{18}$	$0.1258_{-0.0034}^{+0.0037}$
$^{100}\text{Mo}-^{100}\text{Ru}(0_1^+)$	$5.9_{-0.6}^{+0.8} \times 10^{20}$	$0.1017_{-0.0063}^{+0.0056}$
^{116}Cd	$(2.8 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{19}$	$0.0695_{-0.0024}^{+0.0025}$
^{128}Te	$(1.9 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{24}$	$0.0249_{-0.0023}^{+0.0031}$
^{130}Te	$(6.8_{-1.1}^{+1.2}) \times 10^{20}$	$0.0175_{-0.0014}^{+0.0016}$
^{150}Nd	$(8.2 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{18}$	$0.0320_{-0.0017}^{+0.0018}$
$^{150}\text{Nd}-^{150}\text{Sm}(0_1^+)$	$1.33_{-0.26}^{+0.45} \times 10^{20}$	$0.0250_{-0.0034}^{+0.0029}$
^{238}U	$(2.0 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{21}$	$0.0271_{-0.0033}^{+0.0053}$
^{130}Ba ; ECEC(2ν)	$(2.2 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{21}$	$0.105_{-0.010}^{+0.014}$

A. S. Barabash, Phys. Rev. C 81, 035501 (2010)



Nuclear Models for $2\nu\beta\beta$ -decay

□ Theoretical model in $2\nu\beta\beta$:

✓ Shell Model

- E. Caurier, F. Nowacki, and A. Poves, Phys. Lett. B 711, 62 (2012)
- R. A. Senkov and M. Horoi, Phys. Rev. C 90, 051301R (2014)
- B. A. Brown, D. L. Fang, and M. Horoi, Phys. Rev. C 92, 041301 (2015)
- H.-T. Li, and Z.-Z. Ren, Phys. Rev. C 96, 065503 (2017)

✓ QRPA

- J. Suhonen and O. Civitarese, Phys. Rep. 300, 123 (1998)
- A. Faessler and F. Simkovic, J. Phys. G 24, 2139 (1998)
- R. Alvarez-Rodriguez, P. Sarriuguren, et al. Phys. Rev. C 70, 064309 (2004)
- M. T. Mustonen and J. Engel, Phys. Rev. C 87, 064302 (2013)

✓ Projected HFB

- B. M. Dixit, P. K. Rath, and P. K. Raina, Phys. Rev. C 65, 034311 (2002)
- R. Chandra, J. Singh, et al., Eur. Phys. J. A 23, 223 (2005)

*Angular momentum projection for deformation

✓ Interacting Boson Model

- J. Barea, J. Kotila, F. Iachello, Phys. Rev. C 91, 034304 (2015)

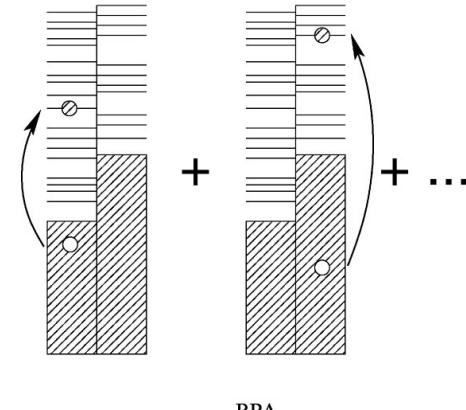
Quasiparticle Random Phase Approximation (QRPA)

QRPA: widely used for the description of spin-isospin excitations

- The RPA excited state is generated by

$$Q_\nu^\dagger = \sum_{mi} X_{mi}^\nu a_m^\dagger a_i - \sum_{mi} Y_{mi}^\nu a_i^\dagger a_m$$

- ✓ Full 1p1h configuration space \Rightarrow almost whole nuclear chart

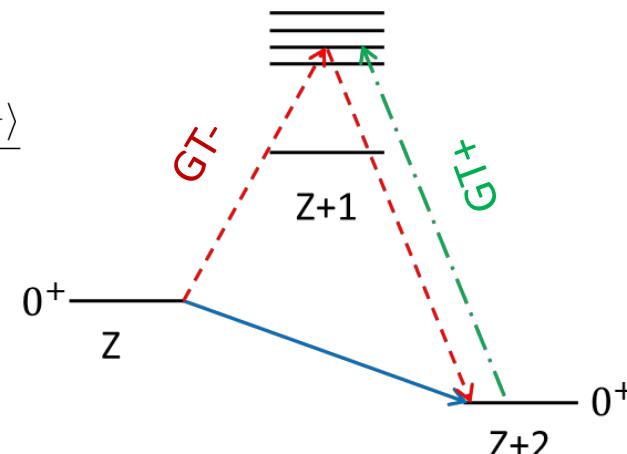


RPA

- ✓ No closure approximation when calculating NME of $2\nu\beta\beta$

$$M_{\text{GT}}^{2\nu} = \sum_{N_1 N_2} \frac{\langle \psi_{K'} | \hat{O}_{\text{GT}}^- | \psi_{N_2} \rangle \langle \psi_{N_2} | \psi_{N_1} \rangle \langle \psi_{N_1} | \hat{O}_{\text{GT}}^- | \psi_K \rangle}{E_N^* + M_N - (M_K + M_{K'})/2}$$

$$\langle 1^+ | \hat{O}_{\text{GT}}^- | 0^+ \rangle = - \langle 0^+ | \hat{O}_{\text{GT}}^+ | 1^+ \rangle^*$$

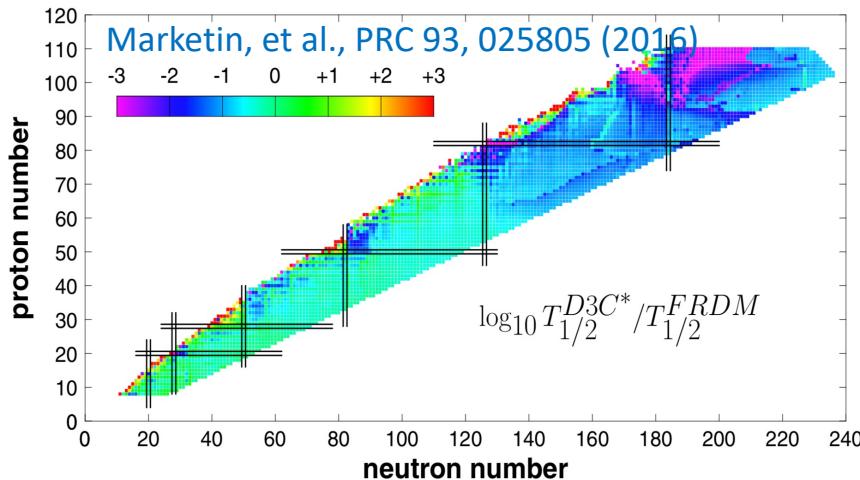


Quasiparticle Random Phase Approximation (QRPA)

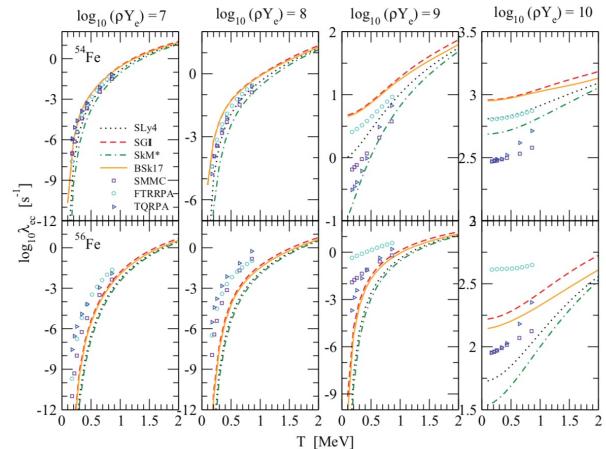
- **Self-consistent QRPA approach:**
the same interaction is used for ground state and excited states calculation

$$h_{kk'} = \frac{\delta E_{HF}}{\delta \rho_{kk'}}, \quad V_{res.}^{mi,nj} = \frac{\delta^2 E_{HF}}{\delta \rho_{mi} \delta \rho_{nj}}, \quad \text{where} \quad E_{HF} = \langle \Phi | H_{\text{eff}} | \Phi \rangle.$$

- ✓ Successful applications in β -decay and electron-capture calculations:
 - β -decay based on relativistic density functional
 - Electron capture based on Skyrme density functional
[Fantina, et al., PRC 86, 035805 \(2012\)](#)



- ✓ β -decay half-lives for 5409 nuclei
- ✓ self-consistent
- ✓ Similar accuracy as FRDM+QRPA



- ✓ Electron capture rates
- ✓ self-consistent
- ✓ Good agreement with shell model

Quasiparticle Random Phase Approximation (QRPA)

- **NME of $2\nu\beta\beta$ studied by Skyrme QRPA**
 - ✓ Deformation effect on the NME
 - P. Sarriguren, Phys. Rev. C 86, 034335 (2012)
 - D. N. Nicolas and P. Sarriguren, Phys. Rev. C 91, 024317 (2015)
 - ✓ Single- and low-lying-states dominance hypotheses (SSDH/LLDH)
 - O. Moreno, et al., J. Phys. G 36, 015106 (2009)
 - P. Sarriguren, O. Moreno, and E. Moya de Guerra, Adv. HEP (2016)
 - ✓ Attempt to remove the uncertainty of g_A and the strength of IS pairing
 - J. Terasaki, and Y. Iwata, Phys. Rev. C 100, 034325 (2019)
- **NME of $2\nu\beta\beta$ studied by Relativistic QRPA**
 - ✓ RMF-BCS+RQRPA with parameter set NL1:
only NME values for 6 nuclei are reported
 - Conti, Krmpotic and Carlson, Proceedings of Science, XXXIV BWNP 126 (2011)

$2\nu\beta\beta$: SSDH/LLDH

- **Single- and low-lying-states dominance hypotheses (SSDH/LLDH):**

The decay rate of the two-neutrino $2\nu\beta\beta$ decay to the final ground state is **determined** by virtual single- β -decay transitions via the **ground state/low-lying states** of the intermediate nucleus.

[J. Abad, et al., Ann. Fis. A 80, 9 \(1984\)](#)

$$\text{SSDH: } M_{\text{GT}}^{2\nu} \approx \frac{\langle 0_{\text{g.s.}}^{+(f)} || \hat{O}_{\text{GT}}^- || 1_{\text{g.s.}}^{+(N)} \rangle \langle 1_{\text{g.s.}}^{+(N)} || \hat{O}_{\text{GT}}^- || 0_{\text{g.s.}}^{+(i)} \rangle}{M_N - (M_i + M_f)/2}$$

$$\text{LLDH: } M_{\text{GT}}^{2\nu} \approx \sum_{n \in \{\text{LL}\}} \frac{\langle 0_{\text{g.s.}}^{+(f)} || \hat{O}_{\text{GT}}^- || 1_n^{+(N)} \rangle \langle 1_n^{+(N)} || \hat{O}_{\text{GT}}^- || 0_{\text{g.s.}}^{+(i)} \rangle}{E_n^{*(N)} + M_N - (M_i + M_f)/2}$$

- ✓ Avoid the tremendous summation.
- ✓ Directly calculate the NME from the β^- or EC experimental data.

[H. Akimune, et al., Phys. Lett. B 394, 23 \(1997\)](#)

LBNL collaboration calculate the $2\nu\beta\beta$ half-life of ${}^{100}\text{Mo}(\text{g.s.}) \rightarrow {}^{100}\text{Ru}(\text{g.s.})$ with the EC of ${}^{100}\text{Tc} \rightarrow {}^{100}\text{Mo}$ and the β^- of ${}^{100}\text{Tc} \rightarrow {}^{100}\text{Ru}$. They get $(9.7 \pm 4.9) \times 10^{18}$ yr. [$(7.1 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{18}$ yr, Barabash2010]

[A. Garcia, et al., Phys. Rev. C 47, 2910 \(1993\)](#)

$2\nu\beta\beta$: SSDH/LLDH

- **Mechanism of SSDH/LLDH:**

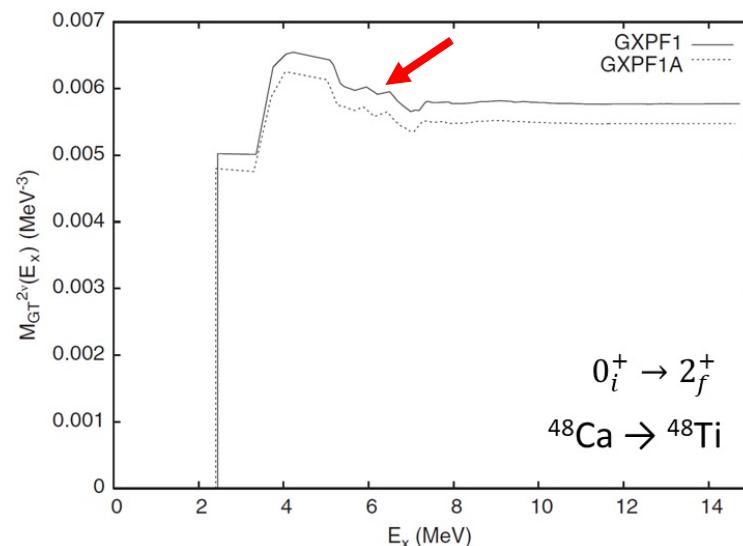
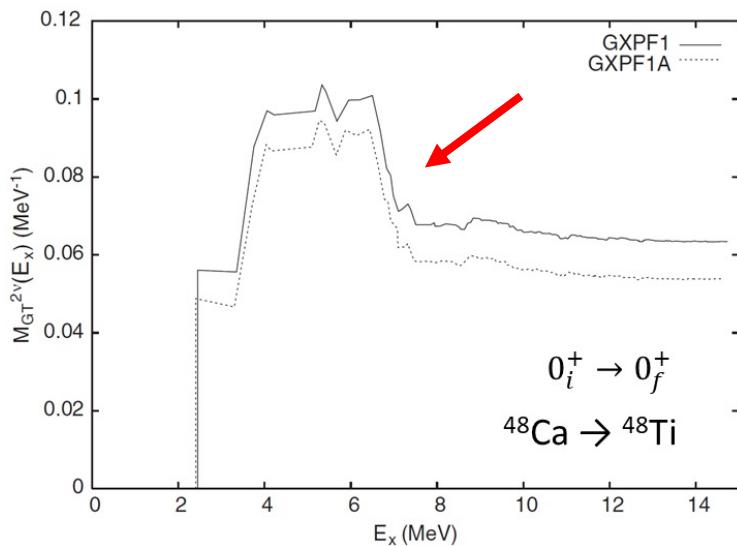
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2. cancellation between higher lying states

[F. Simkovic, A. Smetana, and P. Vogel, Phys. Rev. C 98, 064325 \(2018\)](#)

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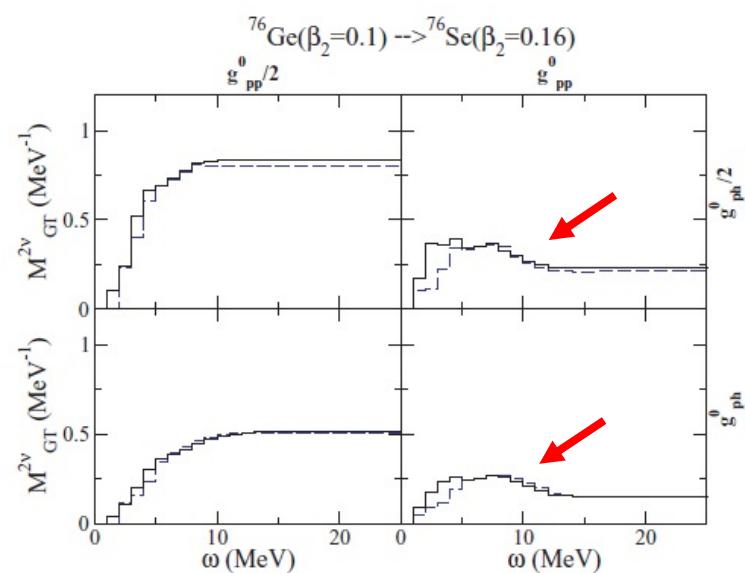
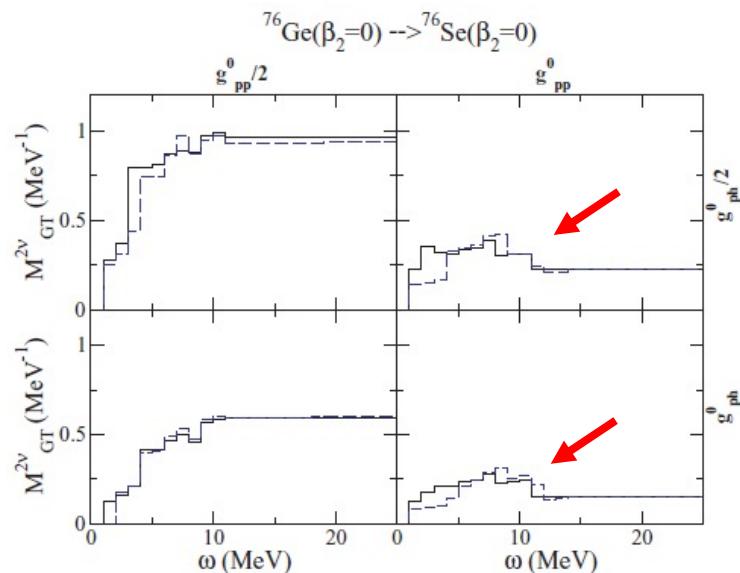
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✓ Spherical and deformed QRPA

[D. L. Fang, et al., Phys. Rev. C 81, 037303 \(2010\)](#)



*Expt: $M^{2\nu}_{GT} = 0.14 \text{ MeV}^{-1}$

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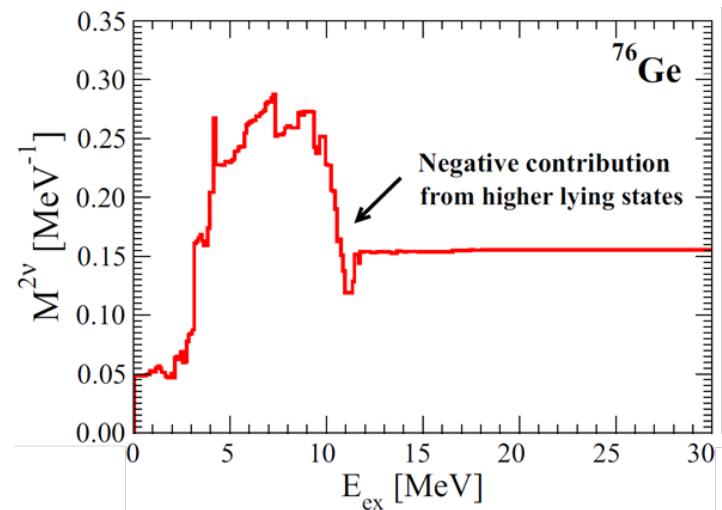
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✓ A natural question:

Why do the high-lying states give negative contributions such that the SSDH/LLDH is valid?



Aim of this work

- Within the framework of HFB + QRPA based on Skyrme density functional
 - ✓ To calculate the NMEs of $2\nu\beta\beta$ systematically
 - ✓ To study the dependence of isoscalar pairing strength, and determine the proper values by comparing with exp. data
 - ✓ To reveal the mechanism of SSDH/LLDH by understanding the cancellation from higher lying states
- Within the framework of RHB + QRPA based on relativistic density functional
 - ✓ To calculate the NMEs of $2\nu\beta\beta$ systematically for the first time
 - ✓ To study the dependence of isoscalar pairing strength, and determine the proper values by comparing with exp. data

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- Charge exchange QRPA in canonical basis

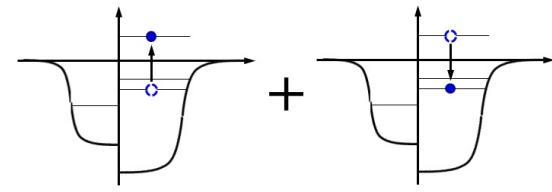
$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ -B^* & -A^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X^{nJ} \\ Y^{nJ} \end{bmatrix} = \Omega^{nJ} \begin{bmatrix} X^{nJ} \\ Y^{nJ} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_{ll',kk'} = (H_{lk}^{11} \delta_{l'k'} + H_{l'k'}^{11} \delta_{kl})$$

$$+ [(u_l u_{l'} u_{k'} u_k + v_l v_{l'} v_{k'} v_k) \langle ll' | V | kk' \rangle_J^{pp} \\ + (u_l v_{l'} v_{k'} u_k + u_{l'} v_l v_k u_{k'}) \langle lk' | V | l'k \rangle_J^{ph}]$$

$$B_{ll',kk'} = -(u_k u_{k'} v_l v_{l'} + u_l u_{l'} v_k v_{k'}) \langle ll' | V | kk' \rangle_J^{pp}$$

$$+ (u_k u_{l'} v_{k'} v_l + u_{k'} u_l v_k v_{l'}) \langle lk' | V | l'k \rangle_J^{ph}$$



X term

Y term

*l, k for proton
l', k' for neutron*

* *B = 0 for QTDA*

✓ Transition amplitude:

$$\langle nJ | \hat{O}^- | 0 \rangle = \sum_{pn} -\langle j_p | \hat{O}^- | j_n \rangle [X_{pn}^{nJ} v_n u_p + Y_{pn}^{nJ} v_p u_n]$$

$$\langle nJ | \hat{O}^+ | 0 \rangle = \sum_{pn} (-)^{j_p + j_n + J} \langle j_n | \hat{O}^+ | j_p \rangle [X_{pn}^{nJ} v_p u_n + Y_{pn}^{nJ} v_n u_p]$$

Formalism: Isoscalar pairing

- Isoscalar pairing
 1. No experimental constraint on isoscalar pairing
 2. Important for $B(\text{GT}^-)$, β -decay half-lives and $M_{\text{GT}}^{2\nu}$.

M. K. Cheoun, et al., Nucl. Phys A 561, 74 (1993) C. L. Bai, et al., Phys. Rev. C 90, 054335 (2014)

Y. F. Niu, et al., Phys. Lett. B 780, 325 (2018)

$$V^{pp}(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) = \left(t'_0 + \frac{t'_3}{6} \rho^{\gamma'}(\mathbf{R}) \right) \delta(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle ab | V^{pp} (1 - P_r P_\sigma P_\tau) | cd \rangle \\ &= \langle T = 0, S = 1 | V^{pp} \frac{1 + P_\sigma}{2} | T = 0, S = 1 \rangle \quad (\text{IS}) \\ &+ \langle T = 1, S = 0 | V^{pp} \frac{1 - P_\sigma}{2} | T = 1, S = 0 \rangle \quad (\text{IV}) \end{aligned}$$

$$V_{T=0}^{pp}(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) = \left(t'_0 + \frac{t'_3}{6} \rho^{\gamma'} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_1 + \mathbf{r}_2}{2} \right) \right) \delta(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2) \frac{3 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2}{4} \quad (f_{\text{IS}} \text{ is free})$$

$$V_{T=1}^{pp}(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) = \left(t'_0 + \frac{t'_3}{6} \rho^{\gamma'} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_1 + \mathbf{r}_2}{2} \right) \right) \delta(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2) \frac{1 - \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2}{4}$$

Formalism: Overlap factor

- Overlap factor

$$M_{\text{GT}}^{2\nu} = \sum_{n_i n_f} \frac{\langle 0_{\text{g.s.}}^{+(f)} || \hat{O}_{\text{GT}}^- || 1_{n_f}^+ \rangle \langle 1_{n_f}^+ | 1_{n_i}^+ \rangle \langle 1_{n_i}^+ || \hat{O}_{\text{GT}}^- || 0_{\text{g.s.}}^{+(i)} \rangle}{E_n^{*(N)} + M_N - (M_f + M_i)/2} \quad \langle 1_{n_f}^+ || \hat{O}_{\text{GT}}^+ || 0_{\text{g.s.}}^{+(f)} \rangle$$

$|1_{n_i}^+\rangle$ and $|1_{n_f}^+\rangle$ calculated from initial and final nucleus are not normal orthogonal.

$$\langle 1_{n_f}^+ | 1_{n_i}^+ \rangle = a_{n_i n_f} \langle \text{HFB}_{\text{can.} f} | \text{HFB}_{\text{can.} i} \rangle$$

$$\langle \text{HFB}_{\text{can.} f} | \text{HFB}_{\text{can.} i} \rangle \approx \prod_{k>0} (u_k^{(i)} u_k^{(f)} + v_k^{(i)} v_k^{(f)})$$

$$a_{n_i n_f} = \sum_{k_i k'_i} \sum_{k_f k'_f} C_{k_f k_i} C_{k'_f k'_i} (X_{k_i k'_i}^{n_i} X_{k_f k'_f}^{n_f} - Y_{k_i k'_i}^{n_i} Y_{k_f k'_f}^{n_f}) \\ \cdot (u_{k_i}^{(i)} u_{k_f}^{(f)} + v_{k_i}^{(i)} v_{k_f}^{(f)}) (u_{k'_i}^{(i)} u_{k'_f}^{(f)} + v_{k'_i}^{(i)} v_{k'_f}^{(f)})$$

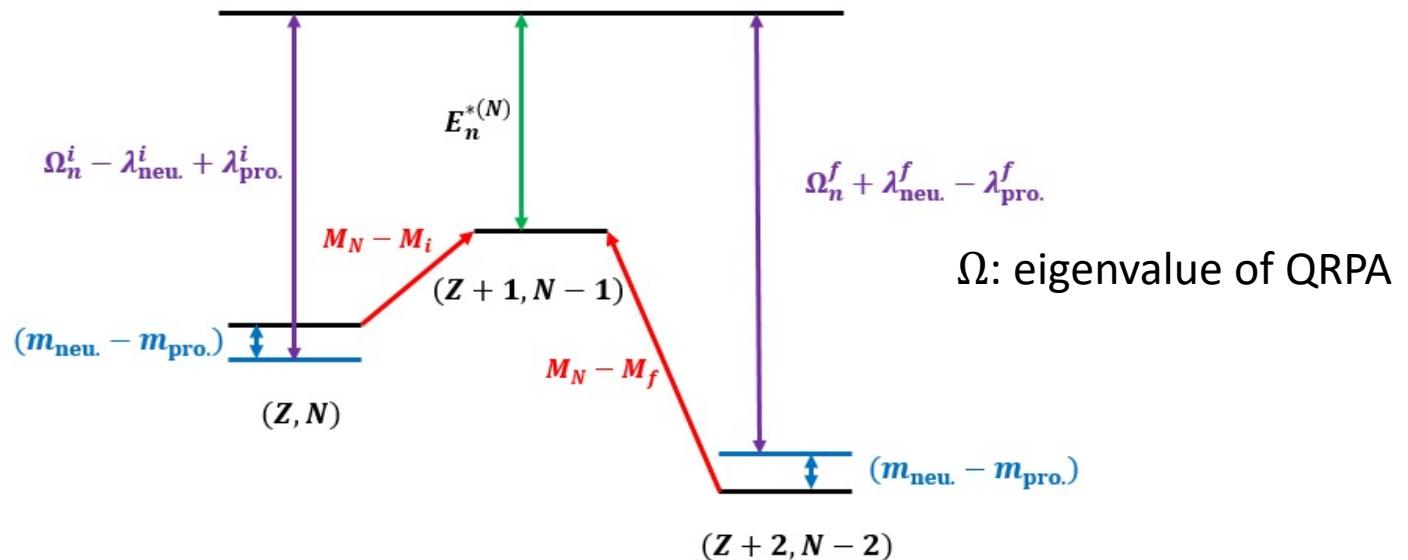
$C_{k_f k_i}$: overlap between s.p. wavefunctions

Formalism: Energy denominator

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5. $j_{\max} = 21/2$

■ QRPA:

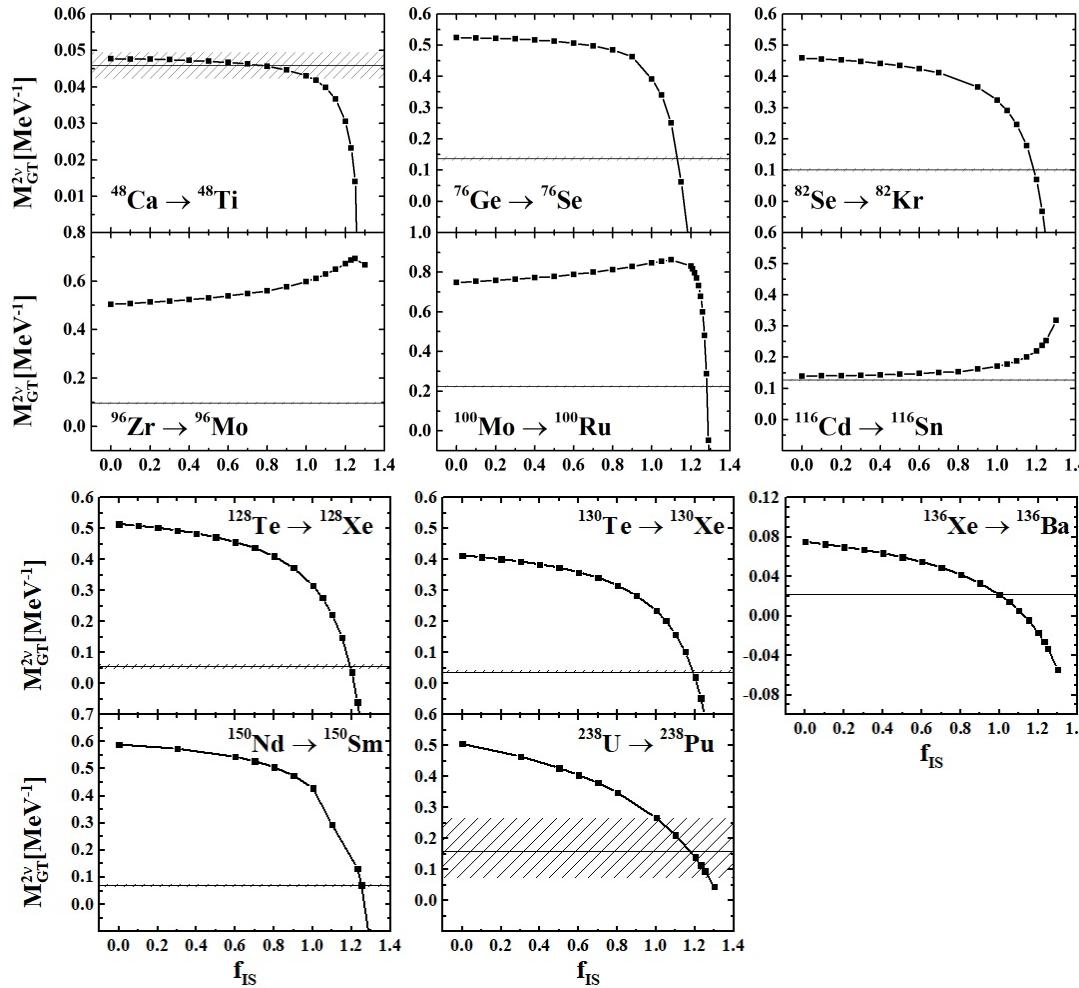
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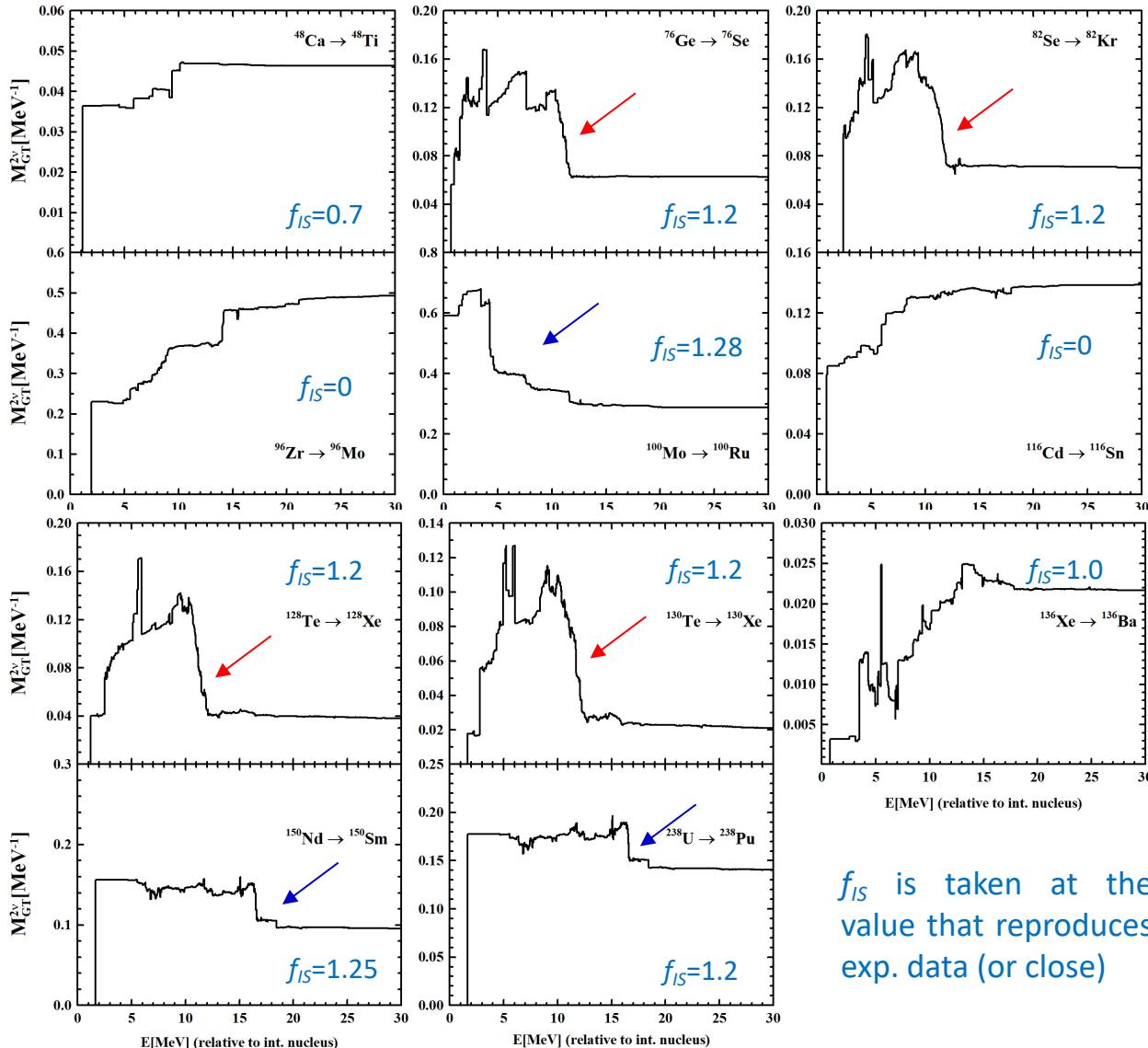


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The upper limit of energy of LLD is 5 MeV, except for ^{82}Se (2 states only).

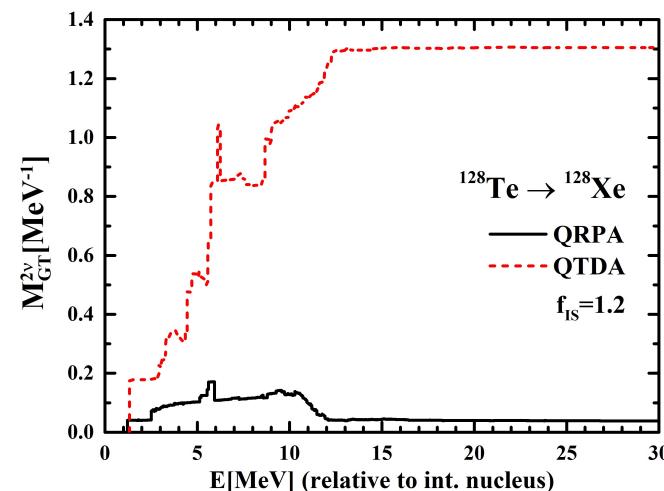
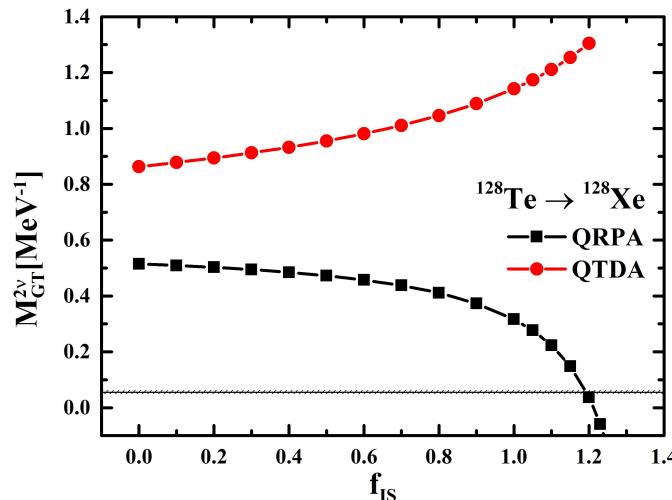
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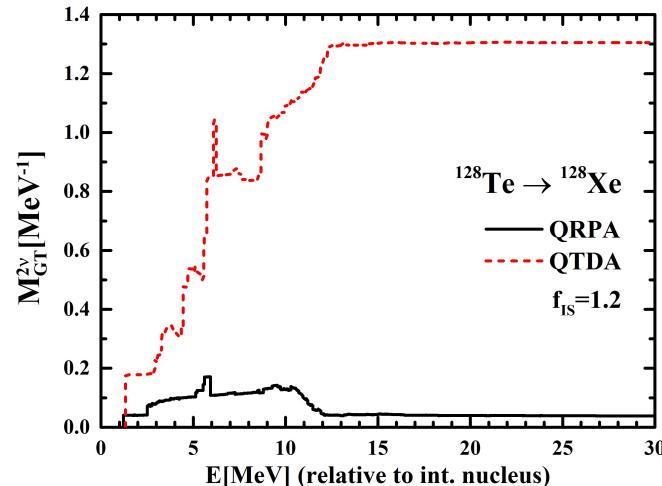
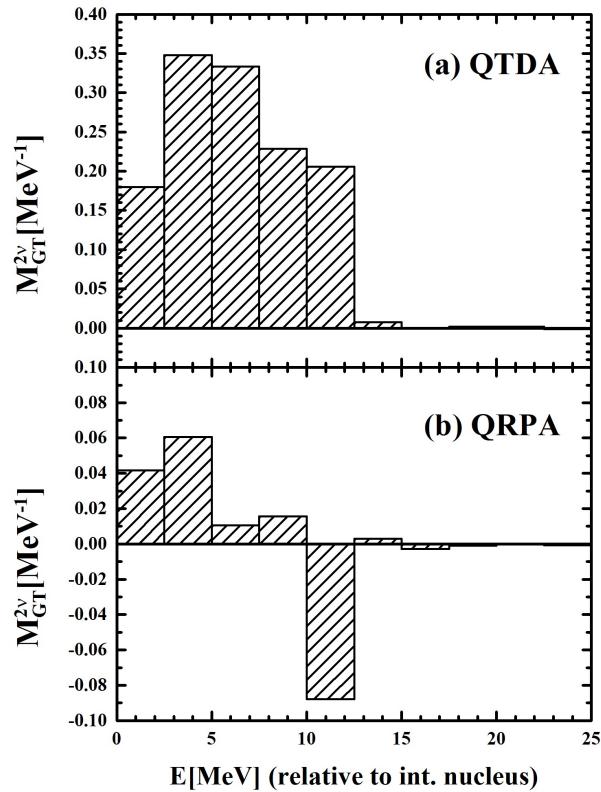
- ✓ NME is decreased.
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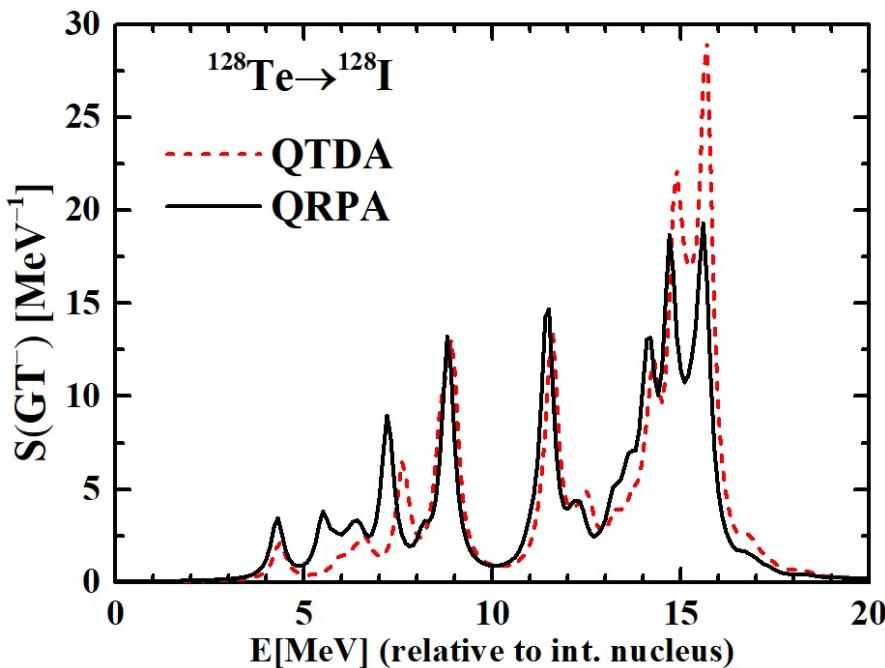
Negative contributions of higher lying states caused by ground-state correlation Y term

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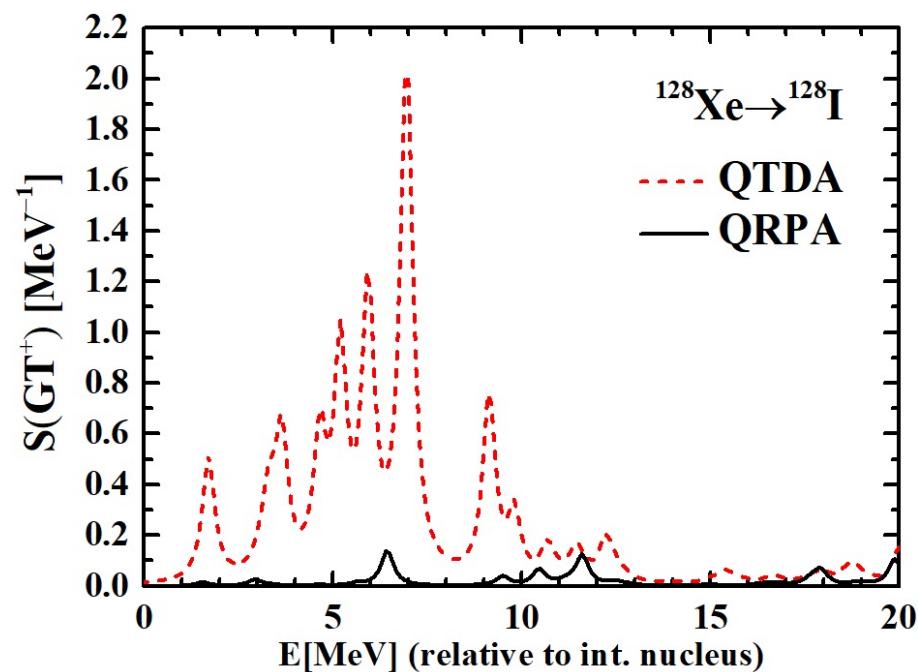
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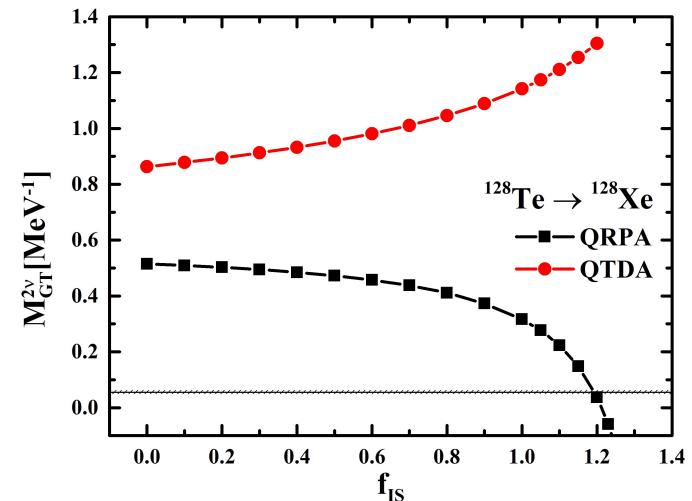
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QRPA Eq: $-BX = (A + \Omega)Y$

$$\check{B}_{ll',kk'} = - (u_k u_{k'} v_l v_{l'} + u_l u_{l'} v_k v_{k'}) \langle ll' | V | kk' \rangle_J^{pp} \text{ attractive}$$
$$+ (u_k u_{l'} v_{k'} v_l + u_{k'} u_l v_k v_{l'}) \langle lk' | V | l' k \rangle_J^{ph} \text{ repulsive}$$

- ✓ Both $(A + \Omega)$ and B are positive.
 - X and Y are of opposite sign.
- ✓ B get large with the increase of f_{IS}
 - $|Y|$ will approach to X
 - GT transition amplitude becomes smaller
 - NME decreases with increasing f_{IS}



P. Vogel and M. R. Zirnbauer, Phys. Rev. Lett. 57, 3148(1986)

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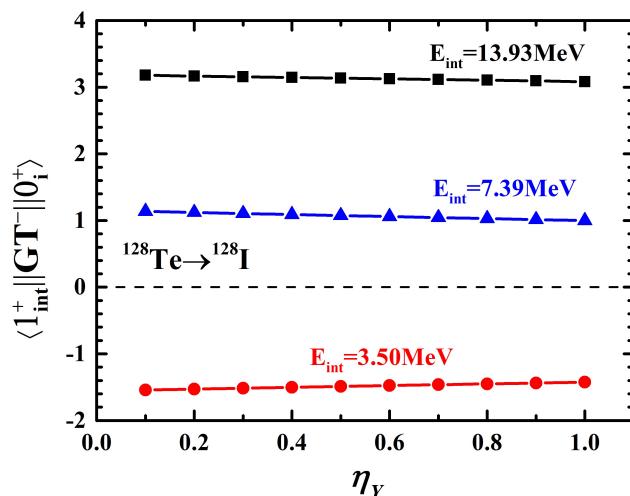
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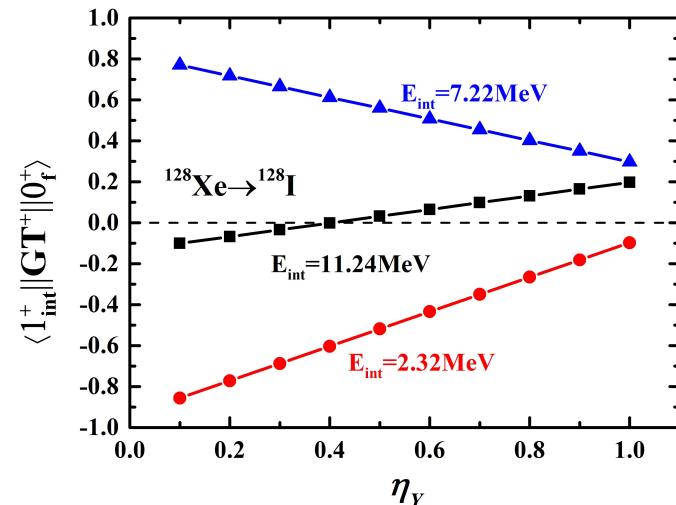
$|Y|$ is increased \rightarrow negative contribution of higher-lying states



The sign of GT+ amplitude will change for higher-lying states



✓ $\langle 1_{int}^+ || GT^- || 0_i^+ \rangle$ is almost independent from Y_{ph}



✓ $\langle 1_{int}^+ || GT^+ || 0_f^+ \rangle$ is sensitive to Y_{ph} , and its sign changes for higher-lying states.

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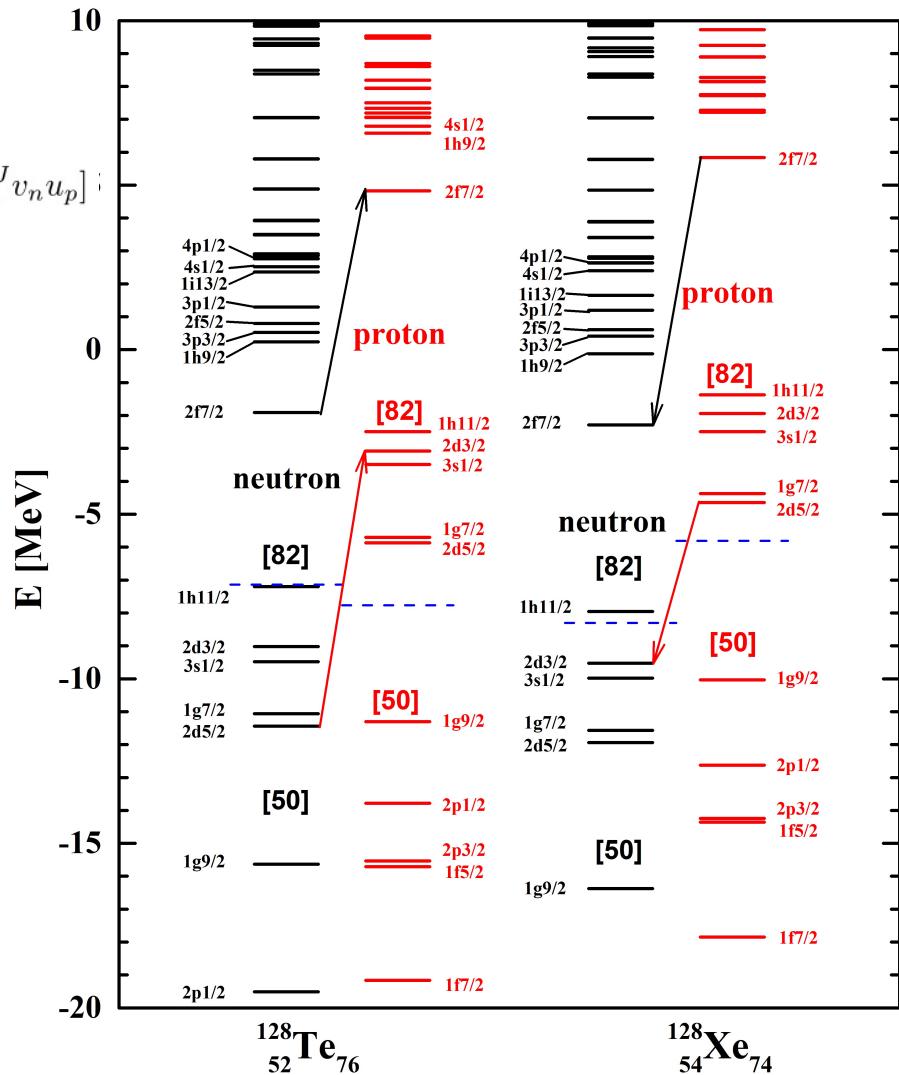
- Why does ground-state correlation play its role through GT+?

$$\langle J || \hat{O}^- || 0 \rangle = \sum_{pn} -\langle j_p || \hat{O}^- || j_n \rangle [X_{pn}^{nJ} v_n u_p + Y_{pn}^{nJ} v_p u_n]$$

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^{128}Te : neutron-rich nucleus

- ✓ GT+ transitions: completely blocked at mean-field level
- ✓ pairing correlation: unblock the transition through X term
- ✓ Ground-state correlation: block/unblock the transition through Y term
- GT+ is sensitive to ground-state correlation



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■ RHB:

1. Density dependent meson-exchange interaction: DD-ME1 DD-ME2
2. Gogny pairing force D1S
3. Harmonic oscillator basis $N_{\max}=20$

■ QRPA:

1. Single-particle energy in Fermi sea: $\varepsilon_{\text{s.p.}} < 200.0 \text{ MeV}$
2. Single-particle energy in Dirac sea: $\varepsilon_{\text{s.p.}} > -2000.0 \text{ MeV}$
2. $|u_p v_n| > 10^{-2}$ and $|u_n v_p| > 10^{-2}$

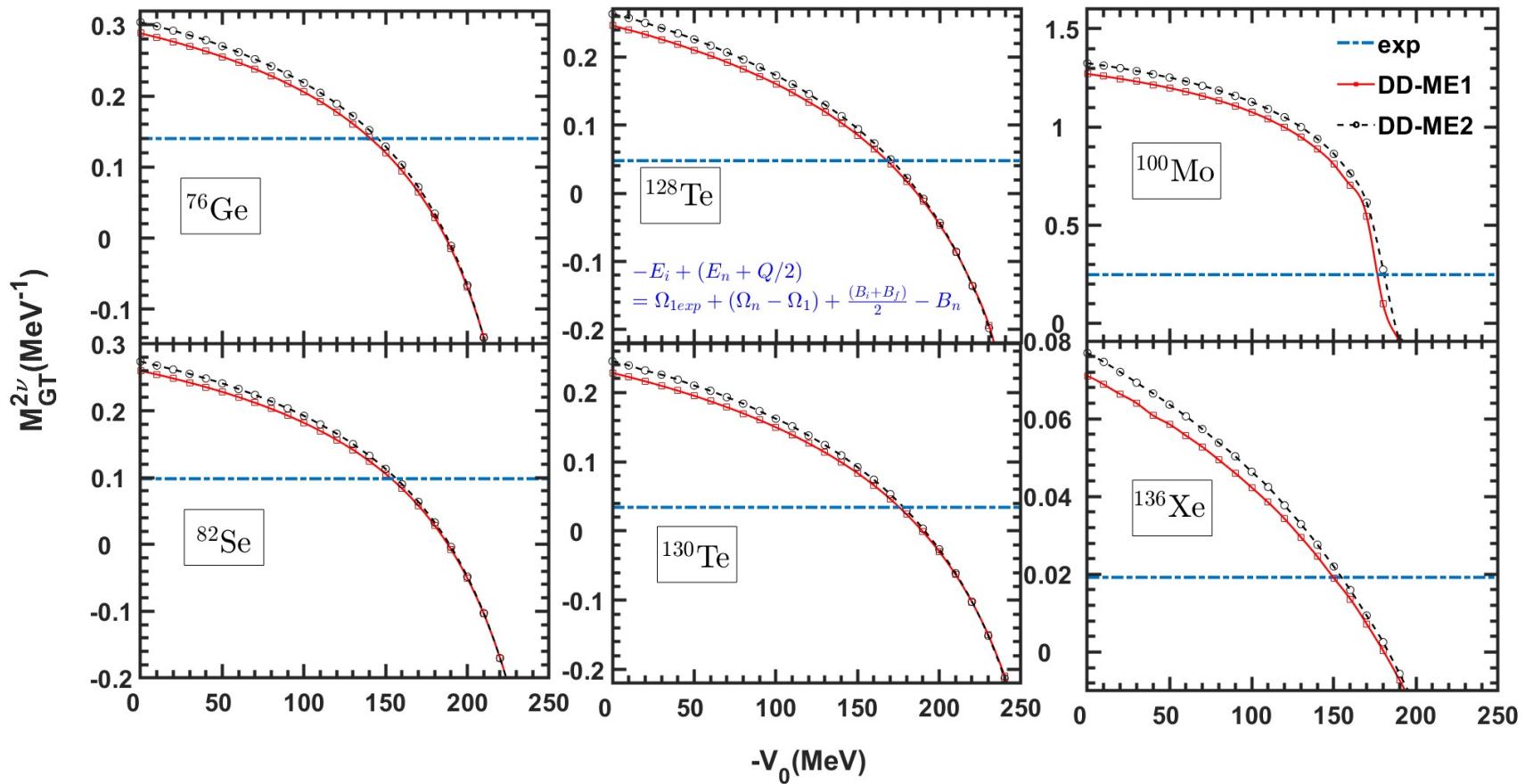
■ $M_{\text{GT}}^{2\nu}$

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2. Single-particle wavefunctions of initial and final state are assumed to be the same

$$\langle \psi_\alpha^f | \psi_\beta^i \rangle = \left\langle - \left| a_\alpha^f a_\beta^i {}^\dagger \right| - \right\rangle = \delta_{\alpha\beta}$$

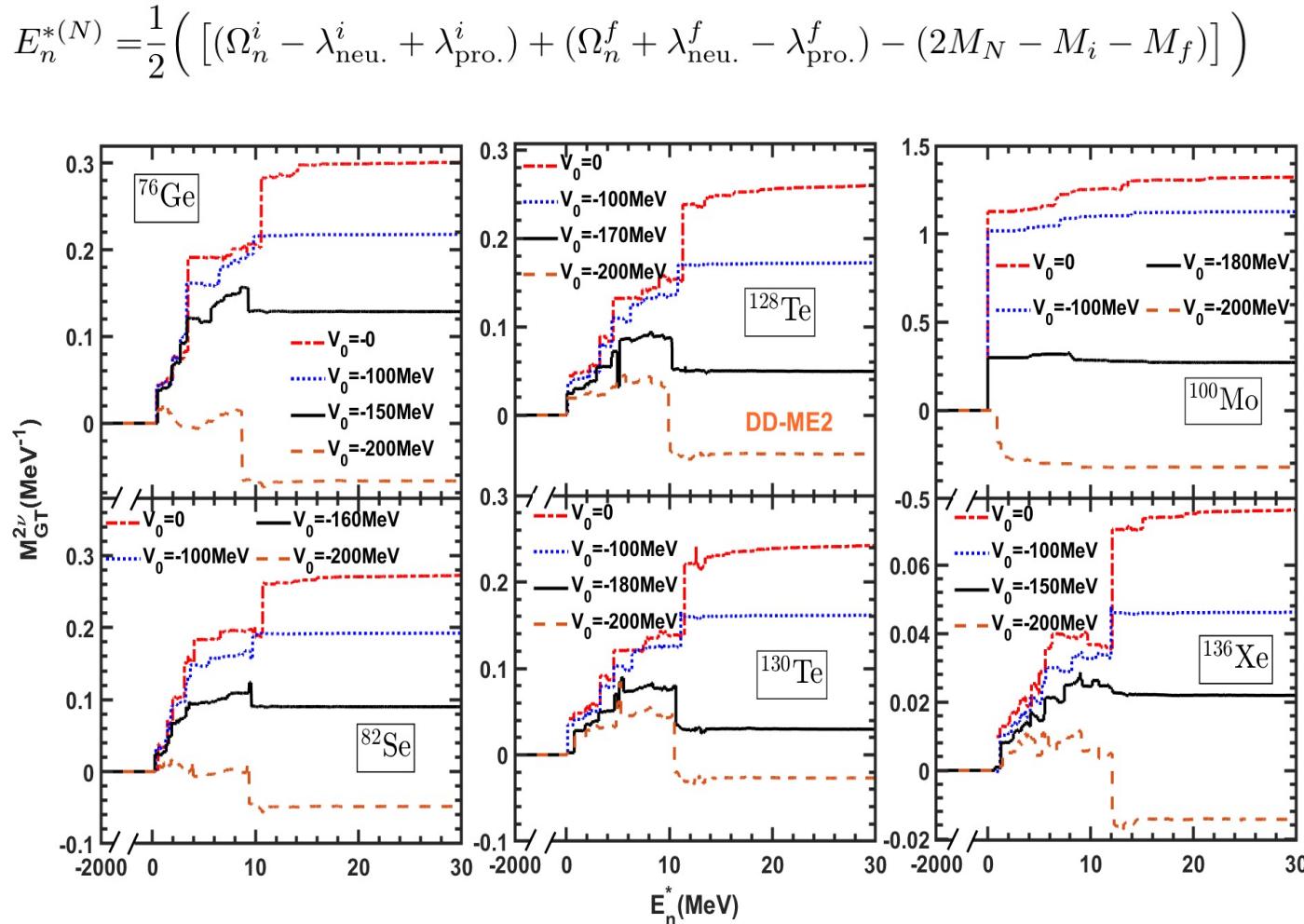
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Isoscalar pairing strength

- The isoscalar pairing strengths determined by experimental NME values

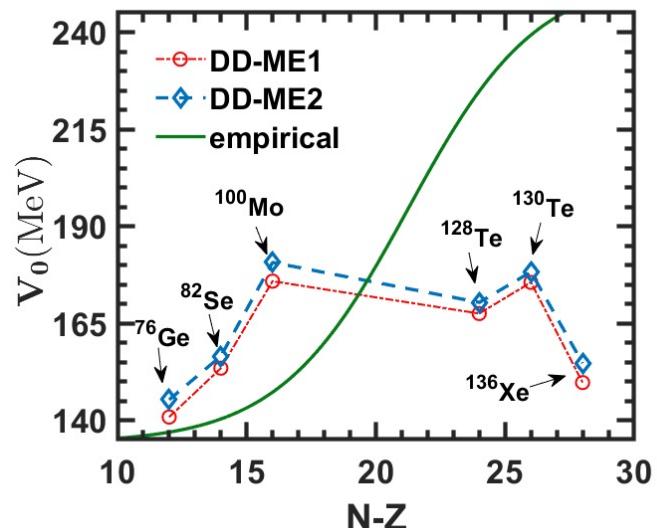
Isotope	$M_{\text{exp}}^{2\nu}(\text{MeV}^{-1})$	$V_0^{\text{exp}}(\text{MeV})$	
		DD-ME1	DD-ME2
^{76}Ge	0.140	-140.81	-145.27
^{82}Se	0.0984	-154.40	-156.50
^{100}Mo	0.246	-175.82	-180.65
^{128}Te	0.0478	-167.48	-170.35
^{130}Te	0.0342	-175.52	-178.20
^{136}Xe	0.0192	-149.69	-154.71

- The empirical isoscalar pairing strength formula proposed by fitting β -decay half-lives

$$V_0 = V_L + \frac{V_D}{1 + e^{a+b(N-Z)}},$$

Z. M. Niu et al. Phys. Lett. B 723, 172 (2013)

This formula is not good for $2\nu 2\beta$ decay



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Summary and Perspectives

With the spherical Skyrme QRPA model:

1. 11 observed $2\nu\beta\beta$ NME are calculated. The isoscalar pairing strengths are suggested.
2. Comparison between QTDA and QRPA is implemented. The ground-state correlation in QRPA largely suppresses the NME.
3. The cancellation mechanism of SSDH is studied. The isoscalar pairing could enlarge the ground state correlation so as to change the sign of GT+ transition amplitude.

With the spherical Relativistic QRPA model:

1. 6 observed $2\nu\beta\beta$ NME are calculated. The isoscalar pairing strengths are suggested, and compared with empirical formulas for β decay.
2. SSDH/LDSH nuclei are summarized.

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Perspective

- Within QRPA approach
 - ✓ 0v $\beta\beta$ -decay matrix elements
 - ✓ Deformation effect
- Going beyond QRPA : QRPA+QPVC
 - ✓ 2v $\beta\beta$ -decay matrix elements
 - ✓ 0v $\beta\beta$ -decay matrix elements

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Numerical details

■ Mean pairing gap:

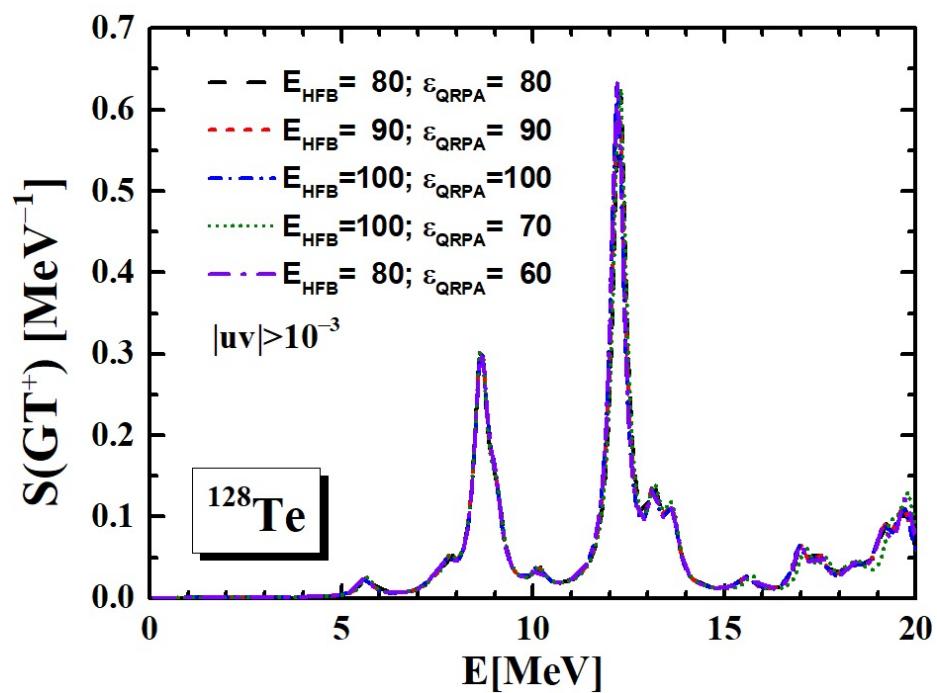
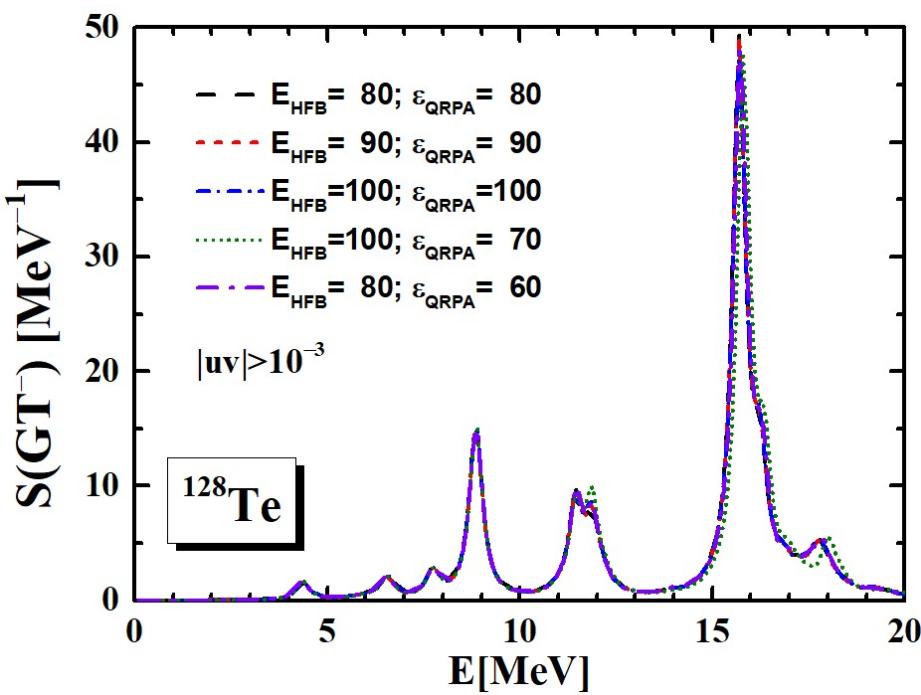
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Δ_n MeV	—	1.56	1.54	1.71	1.54	1.64
Δ_p MeV	—	1.90	1.57	1.75	1.42	1.72

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Δ_p MeV	1.54	1.53	1.60	1.55	1.46	—

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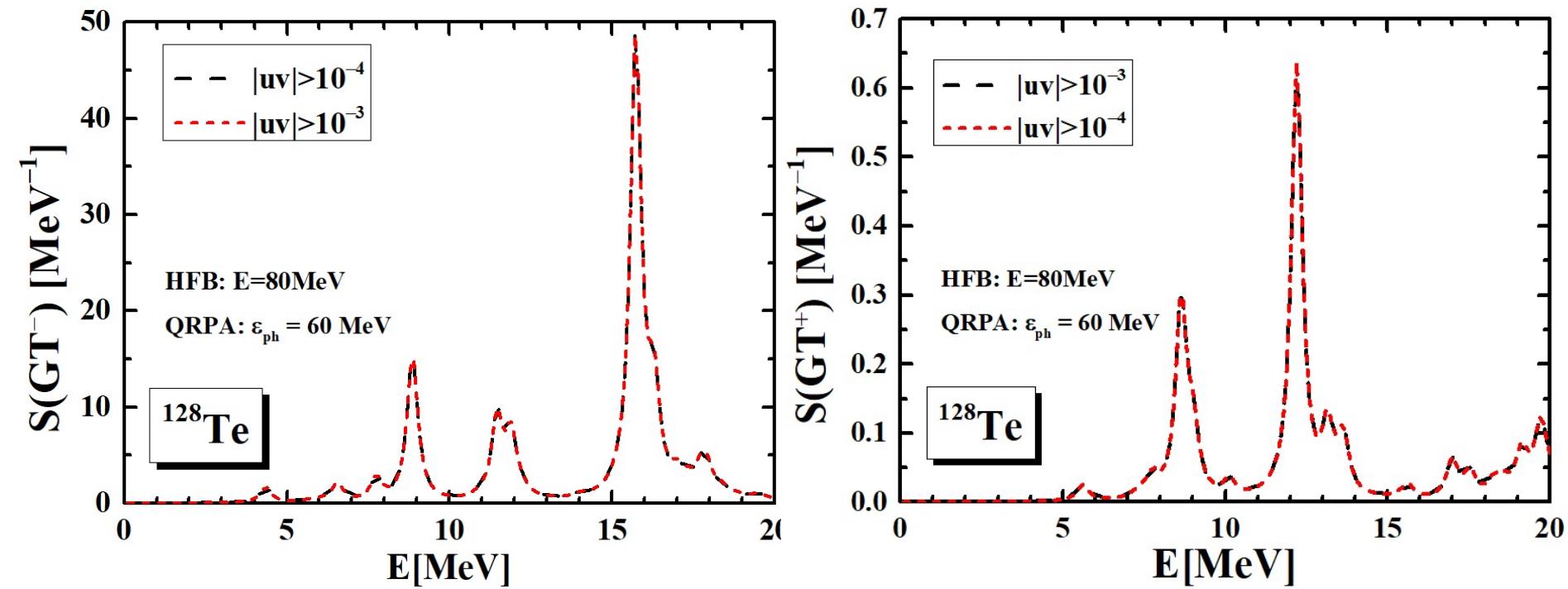
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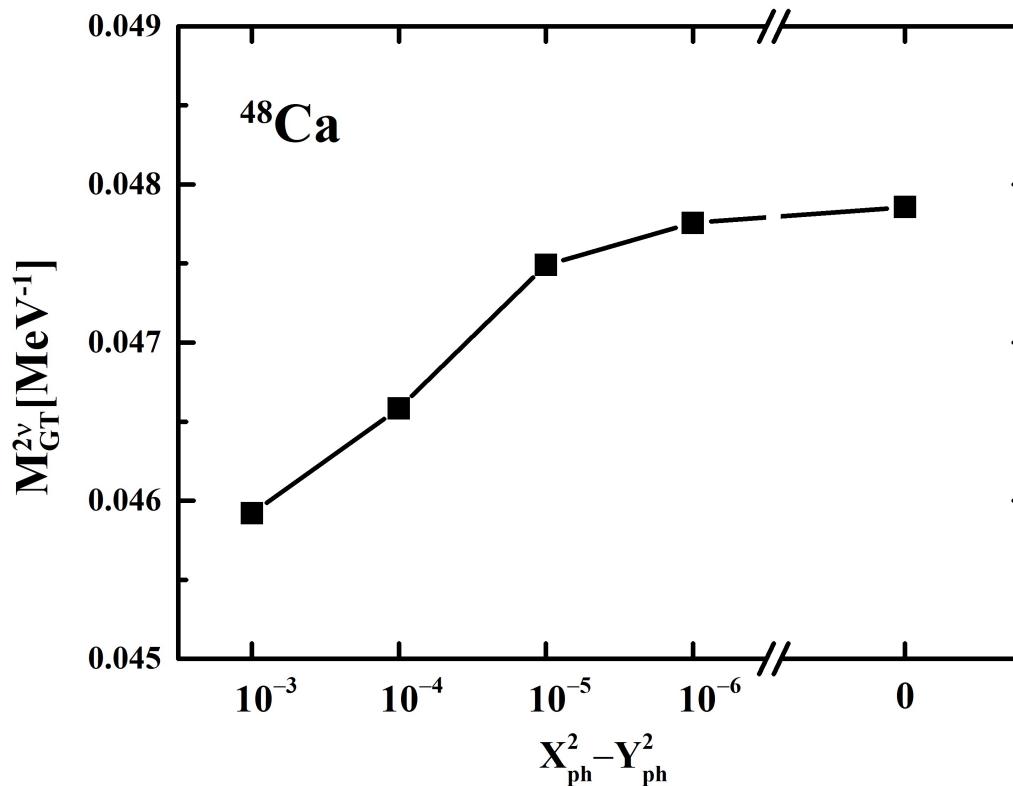
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Potential application in $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay

- Nuclear Matrix Element (NME) of $0\nu\beta\beta$

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where

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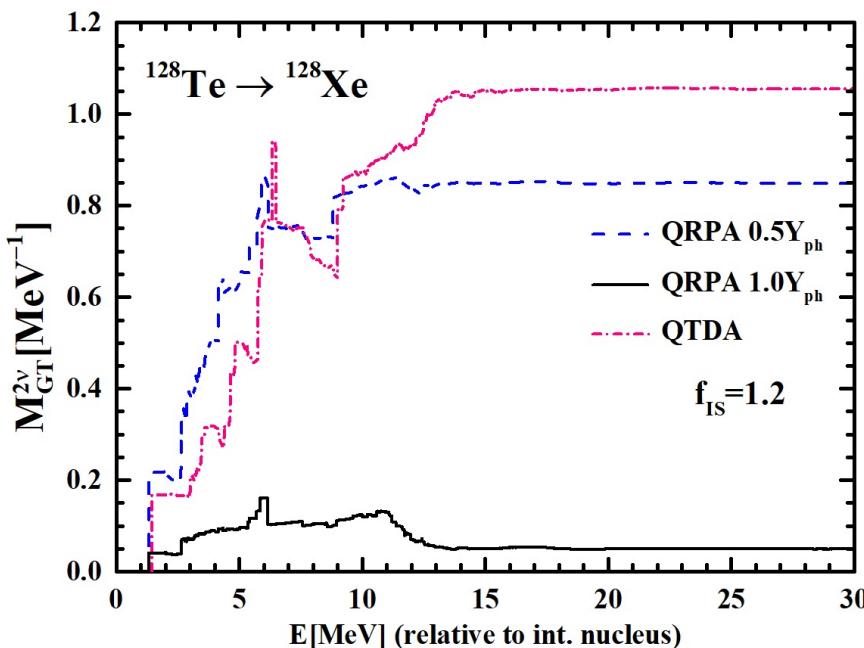
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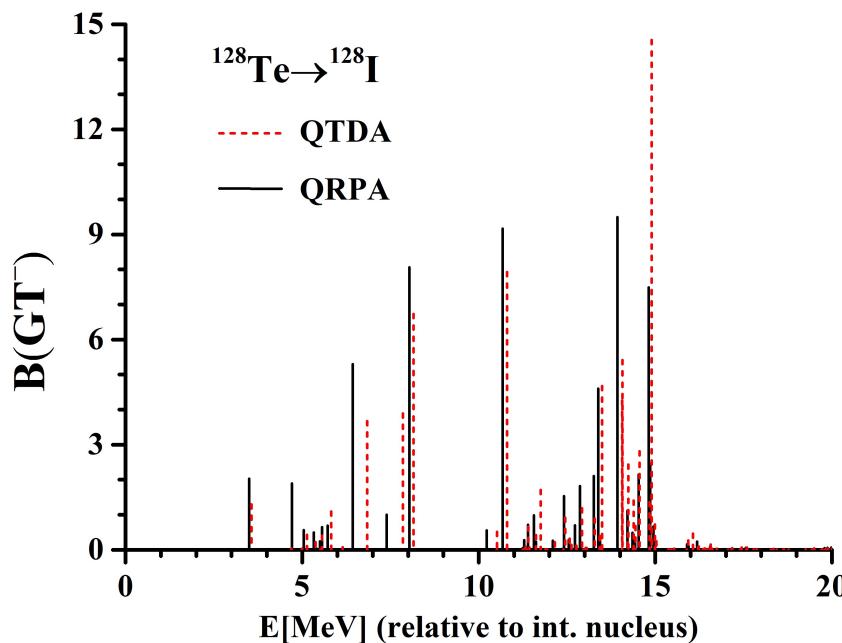


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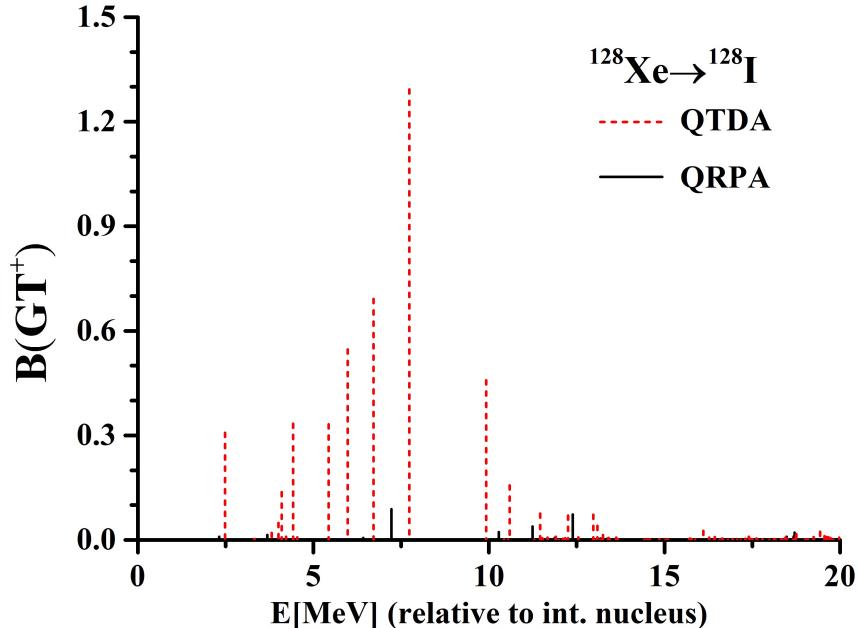
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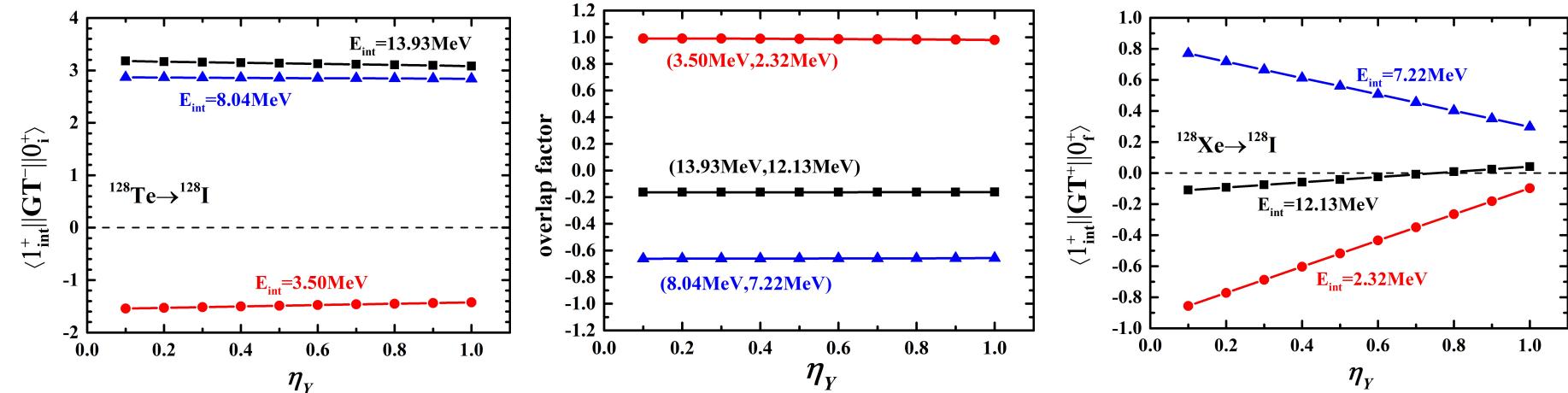
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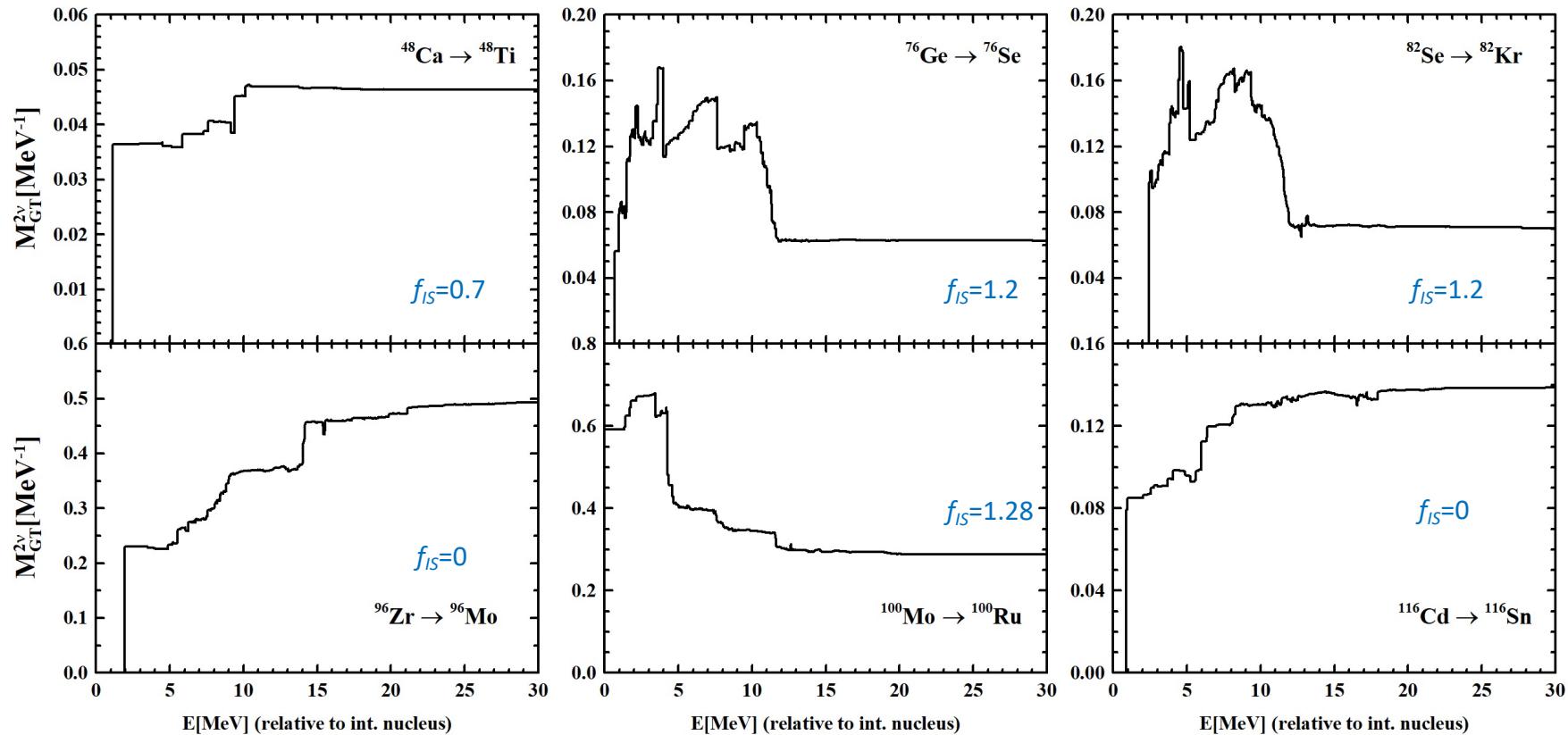
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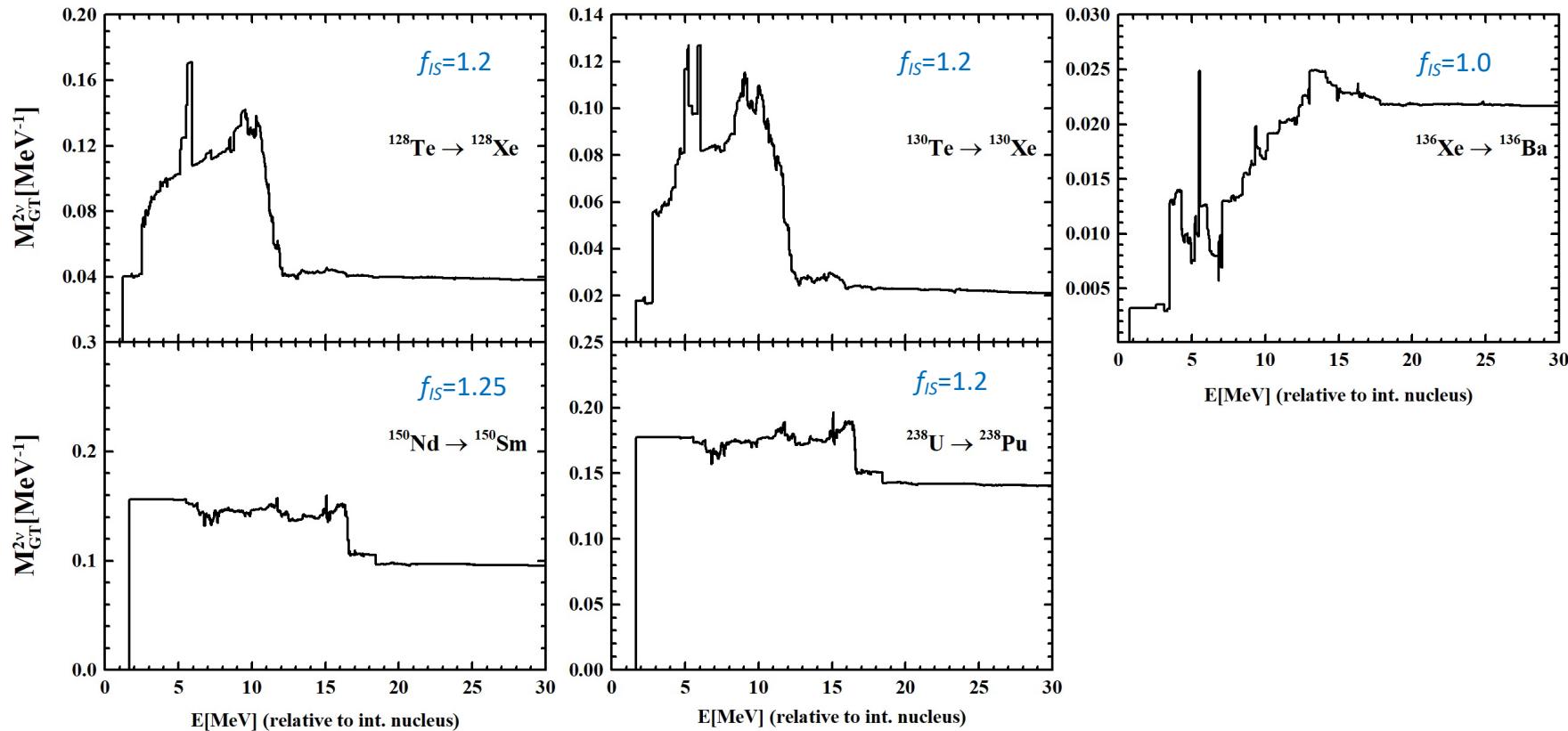


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Theo. $M_{\text{GT}}^{2\nu}$ (MeV $^{-1}$)	0.139	0.037	0.021	0.022	0.071	0.140
Theo. SSD	(0.14) <0.001	(0.024)0.040	0.018	<0.001	0.156	0.177
Theo. LLD	0.096	0.102	0.116	0.007	0.156	0.177
f_{IS}	0.00	1.20	1.20	1.00	1.25	1.20

Exp. data from A. S. Barabash, Nucl. Phys. A 935, 52 (2015)

* $g_A = 1.273$ is used to calculate the expt. $M_{\text{GT}}^{2\nu}$

The upper limit of energy of LLD is 5 MeV, except for ^{82}Se (2 states only).

- ✓ SSD nuclei: ^{48}Ca , ^{76}Ge , ^{128}Te , ^{130}Te , ^{238}U
- ✓ LLD nuclei: ^{82}Se , ^{100}Mo , ^{116}Cd

Exp. data of SSD from O. Moreno, et al., J. Phys. G 36, 015106 (2009)

SSDH mechanism: ground-state correlation

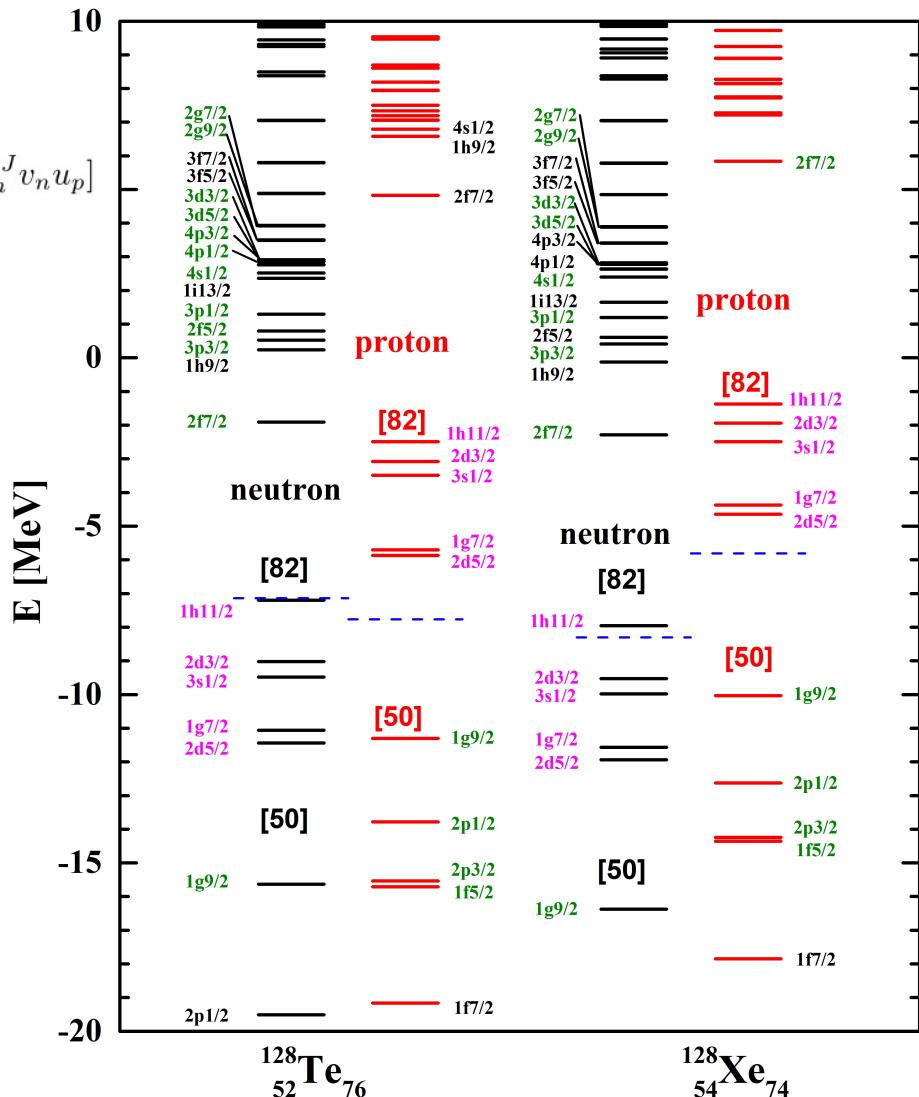
- Why does ground-state correlation play its role through GT+?

$$\langle J || \hat{O}^- || 0 \rangle = \sum_{pn} -\langle j_p || \hat{O}^- || j_n \rangle [X_{pn}^{nJ} v_n u_p + Y_{pn}^{nJ} v_p u_n]$$

$$\langle J || \hat{O}^+ || 0 \rangle = \sum_{pn} (-)^{j_p + j_n + J} \langle j_n || \hat{O}^+ || j_p \rangle [X_{pn}^{nJ} v_p u_n + Y_{pn}^{nJ} v_n u_p]$$

^{128}Te : neutron-rich nucleus

- ✓ GT+ transitions: completely blocked at mean-field level
 - ✓ pairing correlation: unblock the transition through X term
 - ✓ Ground-state correlation: block/unblock the transition through Y term
- GT+ is sensitive to ground-state correlation



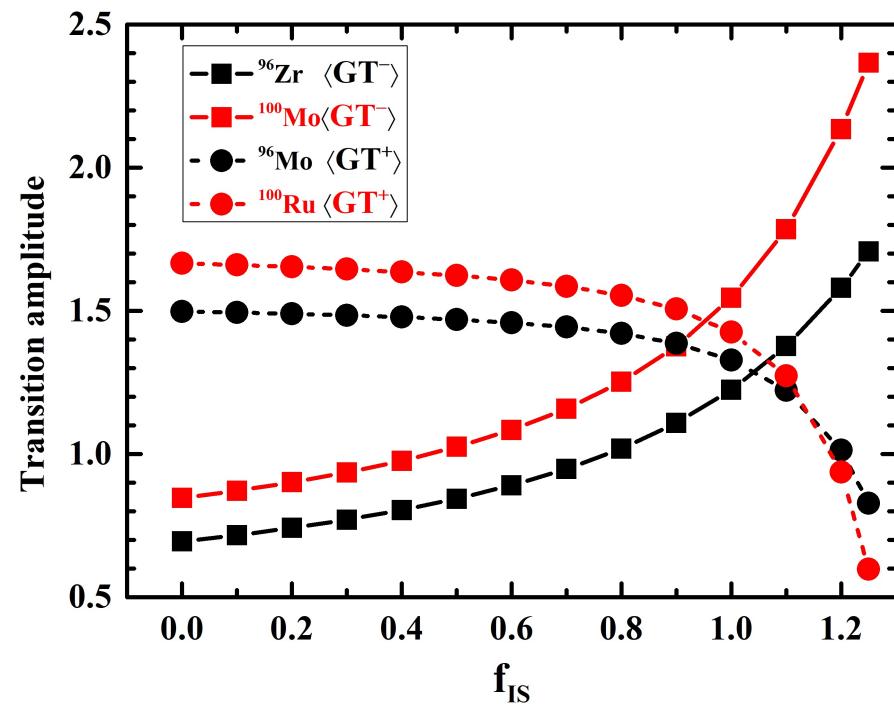
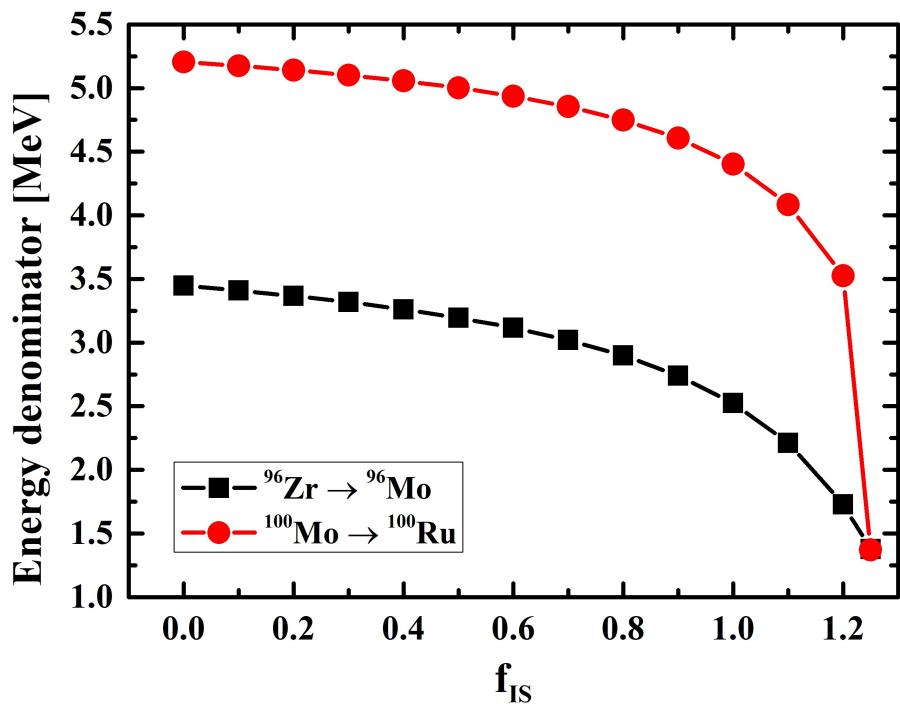
SSDH/LSDH

Nucleus	^{76}Ge	^{82}Se	^{100}Mo	^{128}Te	^{130}Te	^{136}Xe
Expt. $M^{2\nu}(\text{MeV}^{-1})$	0.140	0.0984	0.246	0.0478	0.0342	0.0192
Theo. $M^{2\nu}(\text{MeV}^{-1})$	0.141	0.0993	0.210	0.0498	0.0343	0.0191
Theo. $M^{2\nu}(\text{SSD})(\text{MeV}^{-1})$	0.0388	0.254	0.243	0.0241	0.00271	<0.001
Theo. $M^{2\nu}(\text{LLD})(\text{MeV}^{-1})$	0.124	0.102	0.257	0.0322	0.0715	0.0139
$V_0(\text{MeV})$	-145.27	-156.50	-180.65	-170.00	-180.20	-154.71

The upper limit of energy of LLD is 5 MeV, except for ^{130}Te ($E < 1.8 \text{ MeV}$)

- ✓ SSD nuclei: ^{100}Mo
- ✓ LLD nuclei: ^{76}Ge , ^{82}Se , ^{128}Te , ^{130}Te , ^{136}Xe

NME vs. f_{IS} : ^{96}Zr and ^{100}Mo



$2\nu\beta\beta$ through the 1st intermediate state. The similar case appears in ^{116}Cd .

^{100}Mo 当 f_{IS} 超过 1.25 后下降主要是因为更高能级的抵消。

^{116}Cd 的图没有画，因为中间核前几个态对矩阵元贡献近似为 0

