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Theoretical study of the Isovector Monopole Resonance

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⇒ **Theoretical results** obtained with the **charge-exchange** version of the **HFBCS-QRPA** code based on **Skyrme Energy Density Functional** (see [arXiv:2102.06562](https://arxiv.org/abs/2102.06562))

⇒ One of Skyrmes employed: **SAMi** = **S**kyrme **A**izu **M**ilano

Motivation

Direct **experimental evidence** for the **IVGMR**:

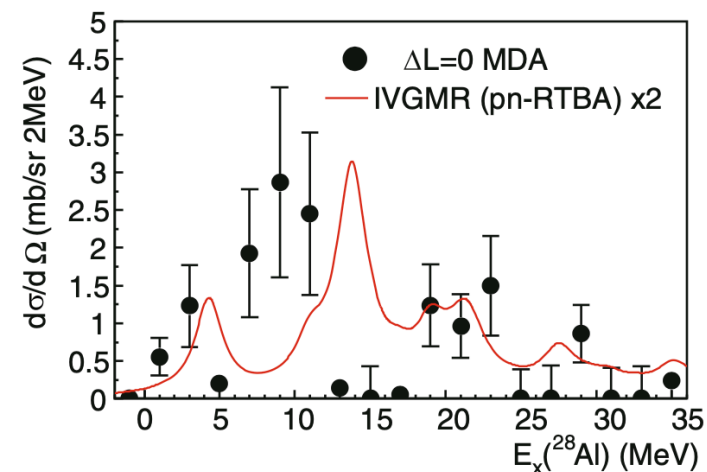
- (π^\pm, π^0) reaction [[Errell 1984-1986](#), [Irom 1986](#)]
- $({}^7\text{Li}, {}^7\text{Be})$ reaction [[Nakayama 1999](#)]

difficulties on the interpretation of the data (background).

Recent efforts

- $({}^{10}\text{C}, {}^{10}\text{B}^*)$ reaction [[Sasamoto 2012](#)]
- $({}^{10}\text{Be}, {}^{10}\text{B}^*)$ reaction [[Scott 2017](#)]: **IVGMR identified (MDA) in ${}^{28}\text{Al}$ ($\Delta T_z = +1$)**

${}^{28}\text{Al} \rightarrow$ **strength is fragmented**, not easy to identify the resonance.



Heavier nuclei (connection collective mode properties with the nuclear Equation of State) \Rightarrow more intense ${}^{10}\text{Be}$ or ${}^{10}\text{C}$ beams [1].

Important also for **ground-state isospin-mixing** $\langle T | T + 1 \rangle \neq 0$ in **heavy $N=Z$ nuclei**, like ${}^{100}\text{Sn}$ [[Hamamoto and Sagawa 1993](#); [Colò et al. 1995](#)]

[1] Zegers, R.G.T. (2023). Excitation of Isovector Giant Resonances Through Charge-Exchange Reactions. In: Tanihata, I., Toki, H., Kajino, T. (eds) Handbook of Nuclear Physics

Charge-exchange Isovector Monopole (IVM):

Excitation operator [IVM as Isobaric Analog State (IAS) “overtone”]

The **excitation operator** used in the literature [1]:

$$\mathcal{O}_{\pm} = \sum_{i=1}^A r_i^2 Y_{00}(\Omega_i) t_{\pm}(i)$$

gets large contribution from IAS

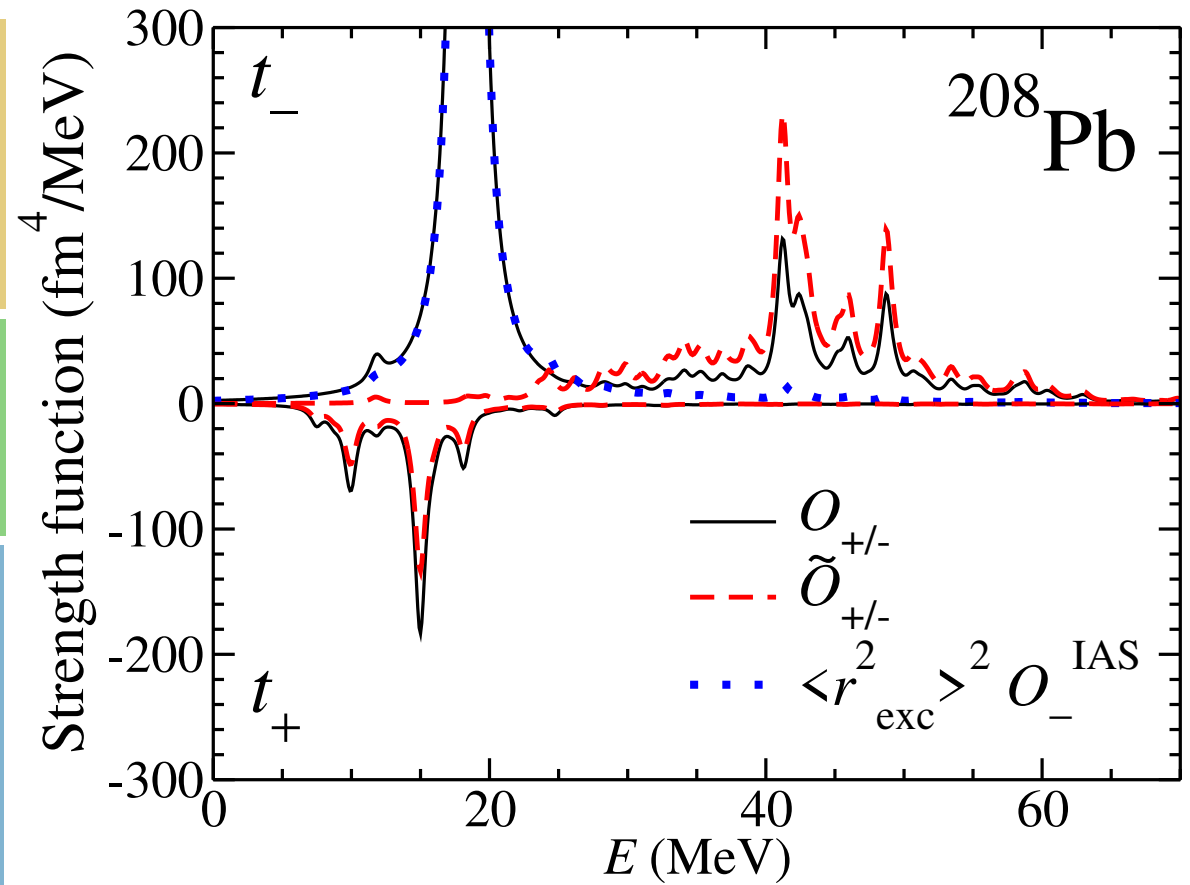
$$\mathcal{O}_{-}^{\text{IAS}} = \sum_{i=1}^A Y_{00}(\Omega_i) t_{-}(i)$$

Since **IAS** (t_{-}) in $N > Z$ **exhausts** most of the **NEWSR** $m_{-}(0) - m_{+}(0) = N - Z$

The IAS transition density

$$\delta\rho_{\text{IAS}} \propto \rho_{\text{exc}} \Rightarrow \int d\mathbf{r} \delta\rho_{\text{IAS}} \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_{\pm} = 0$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{O}}_{\pm} \equiv \sum_{i=1}^A (r_i^2 - \langle r_{\text{exc}}^2 \rangle) Y_{00}(\Omega_i) t_{\pm}(i)$$



New operator subtract the IAS contributions

[1] N. Auerbach and A. Klein, “A microscopic theory of giant electric isovector resonances,” Nuclear Physics A **395**, 77–118 (1983).

$$\langle r_{\text{exc}}^2 \rangle \equiv \frac{1}{N - Z} \int d\mathbf{r} r^2 \rho_{\text{exc}}$$

Charge-exchange Isovector Monopole:

Sum rules

Non energy weighted sum rule

$$m_-(0) - m_+(0) = \langle 0 | [\tilde{\mathcal{O}}_+, \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_-] | 0 \rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left(N \langle r_n^4 \rangle - Z \langle r_p^4 \rangle \right) + \frac{N-Z}{4\pi} \langle r_{\text{exc}}^2 \rangle^2 \left(1 - 2 \frac{N \langle r_n^2 \rangle - Z \langle r_p^2 \rangle}{(N-Z) \langle r_{\text{exc}}^2 \rangle} \right)$$

with $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}_{\pm}$: dominated by IAS

$m_-(0)$ is largely reduced by using the new operator: **about 60-70%**; while the $m_+(0)$ is only moderately reduced: **about 10-30%** (tested in ^{48}Ca , ^{90}Zr , ^{208}Pb)

Energy weighted sum rule

$$m_+(1) + m_-(1) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} A \langle r^2 \rangle (1 + \kappa + \eta_N + \tilde{\eta}_C)$$

$$\kappa \equiv \frac{4}{A \langle r^2 \rangle \rho_0} \left(\frac{m}{m_{IV}^*} - 1 \right) \int d\mathbf{r} r^2 \rho_n \rho_p$$

Skyrme

$$\eta_N \equiv \frac{1}{2A \langle r^2 \rangle \rho_0} \left(\frac{m}{m_{IV}^*} - 1 \right) \int d\mathbf{r} r^2 (\rho_n - \rho_p)^2$$

$$\tilde{\eta}_C \equiv \frac{m}{2\hbar^2 A \langle r^2 \rangle} \int d\mathbf{r} (r^2 - \langle r_{\text{exc}}^2 \rangle)^2 (\rho_n - \rho_p) U_C$$

Enhance. fac.	^{48}Ca	^{90}Zr	^{208}Pb
κ	0.2438	0.2798	0.30071
η_N	0.0035	0.0019	0.0063
η_C	0.3090	0.4152	2.0825
$\tilde{\eta}_C$	0.0866	0.1125	0.58321

comes from D.C. $\frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_{ij} (r_i^2 - \langle r_{\text{exc}}^2 \rangle)(r_j^2 - \langle r_{\text{exc}}^2 \rangle) [t_+(i), [\mathcal{H}, t_-(j)]]$

Non charge-exchange Isovector Monopole:

Excitation operator [center-of-mass (CM) important]

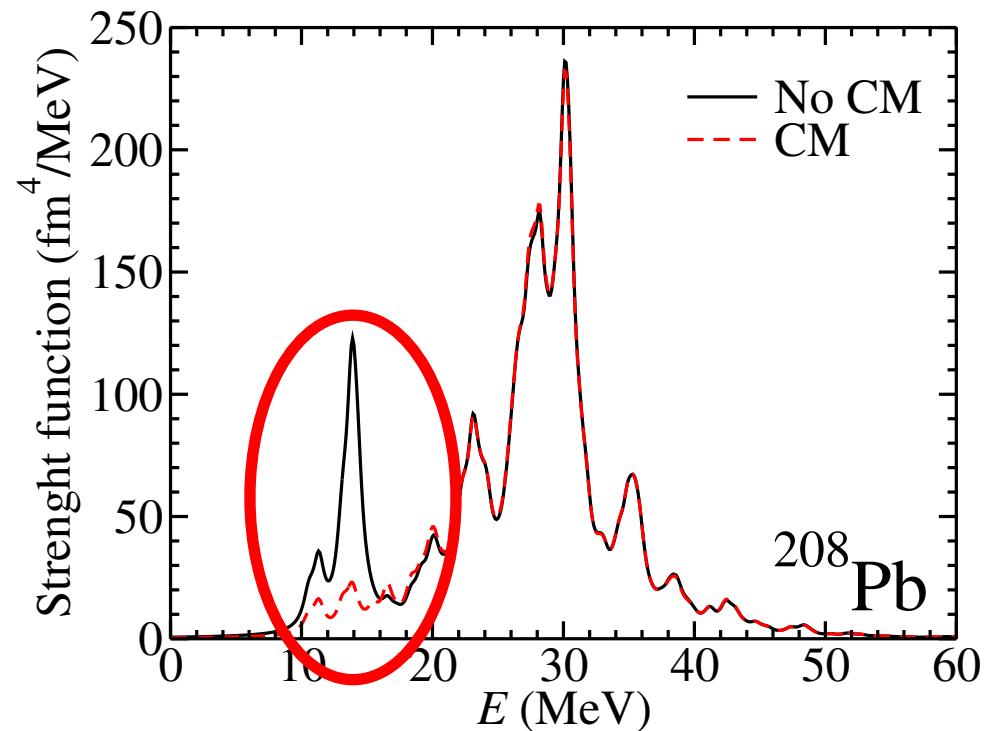
Correction $\langle r_{\text{exc}}^2 \rangle$ will not produce any effect since it is a constant and $[\mathcal{H}, T_z] = 0$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{O}}_z = \sum_{i=1}^A (r_i^2 - \langle r_{\text{exc}}^2 \rangle) Y_{00}(\Omega_i) t_z(i) = \mathcal{O}_z$$

But center-of-mass correction will produce an effect

$$\mathcal{O}_z^{\text{CM}} = 2 \frac{Z}{A} \sum_{i=1}^N r_i^2 Y_{00}(\Omega_i) - 2 \frac{N}{A} \sum_{i=1}^Z r_i^2 Y_{00}(\Omega_i)$$

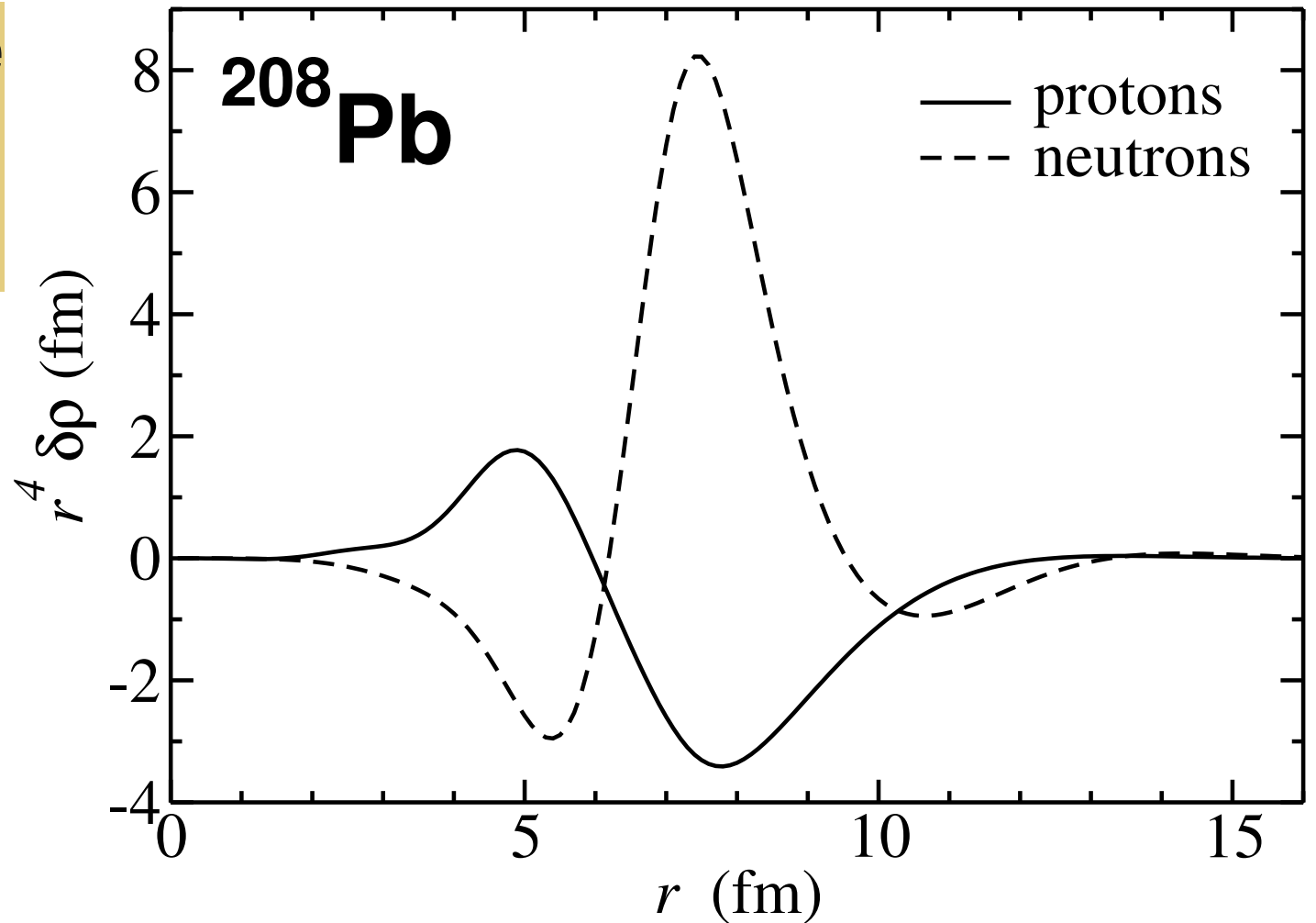
~ 5% on EWSR;
~ 20% on IEWSR;
~ 10% NEWSR



Non charge-exchange Isovector Monopole:

$$\text{Transition density } \int d^3r \delta\rho_{\text{IVM}} \mathcal{O}_{\text{IVM}}^{\text{CM}} = \sqrt{4\pi} \int dr r^4 \delta\rho_{\text{IVM}}$$

Isovector-like
transition
density



Non charge-exchange Isovector Monopole:

Sum rules

Non energy weighted sum rule (not analytic)

$$m_z(0) = \langle \mathcal{O}^\dagger \mathcal{O} \rangle_{\text{RPA}} \neq \langle \mathcal{O}_z^\dagger \mathcal{O}_z \rangle_{\text{HF}}$$

Energy weighted sum rule (κ defined in previous slides)

$$m_z(1) = \frac{4}{\pi} \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{NZ}{A} \langle r^2 \rangle (1 + \kappa)$$

Inverse energy weighted sum rule (dielectric theorem)

$$\frac{1}{m_z(-1)} = 2 \left. \frac{\partial^2 \langle \mathcal{H} \rangle}{\partial \langle \mathcal{O}_z \rangle^2} \right|_{\lambda=0} \quad \langle \mathcal{O}_z^{\text{CM}} \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \frac{NZ}{A} \int d\mathbf{r} r^2 (\rho_n - \rho_p) \propto \frac{NZ}{A} \langle r^2 \rangle^{1/2} \Delta r_{np}$$

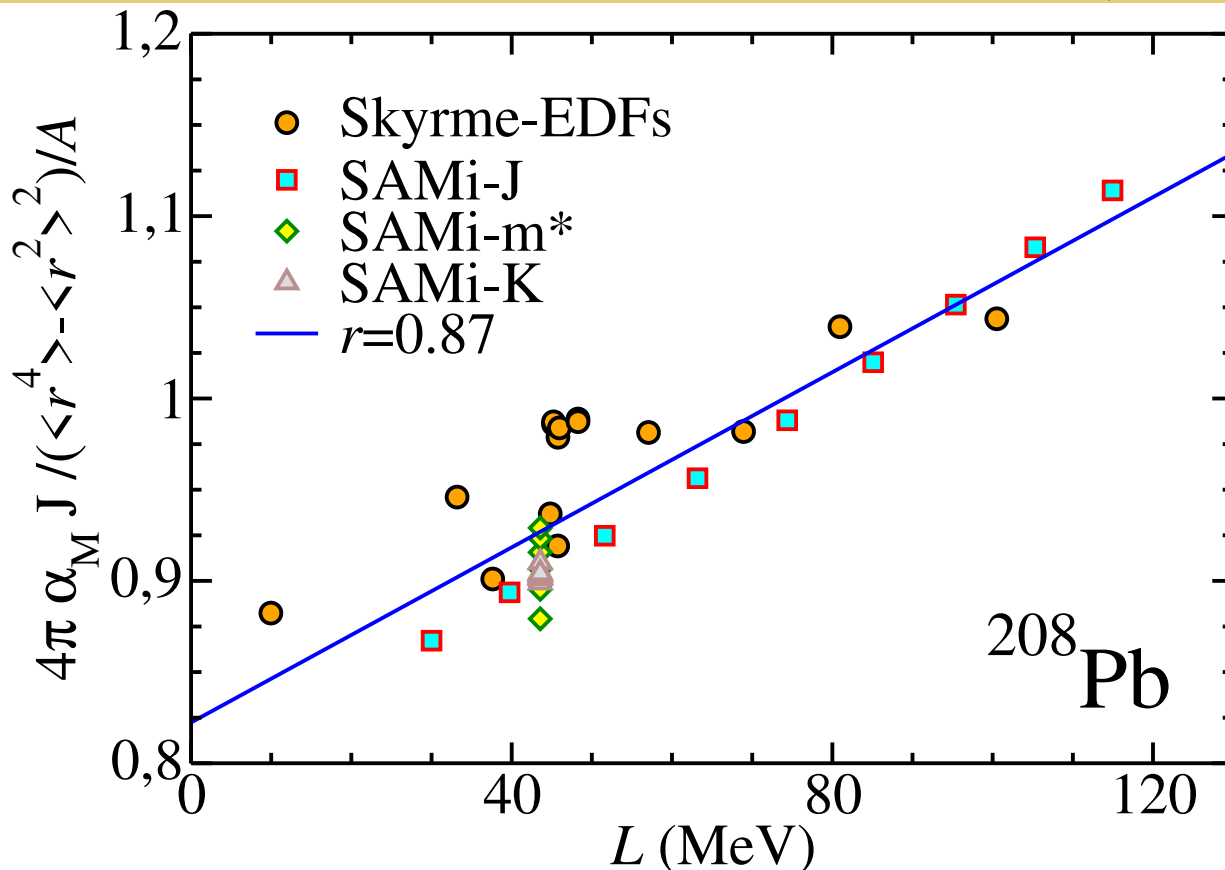
Variation of **excitation operator** due to variation of **isovector density** $\rho_{\text{IV}} \equiv \rho_n - \rho_p \Rightarrow$ **polarizability** $\alpha_M = 2m_z(-1)$ proportional to the **second derivative** of the expectation value of the **energy density** with respect to $\rho_{\text{IV}} \Rightarrow$ **Symmetry energy**

Non charge-exchange Isovector Monopole:

Polarizability (α_M) and Equation of State ($S(\rho) = J - L \frac{\rho_0 - \rho}{3\rho_0} + \mathcal{O}[\rho^2]$)

Assuming macroscopic **Droplet Model** [1] or **Hydrodynamic model** [2] for

guidance:
$$\alpha_M = \frac{A}{4\pi J} \left(\langle r^4 \rangle - \langle r^2 \rangle^2 \right) \left(1 + \frac{7}{3} \frac{L}{J} A^{-1/3} \right)$$



SAMi-J family:

$J \in [27, 35]$ MeV

26 % change \Rightarrow 25%

SAMi-K family:

$K_0 \in [230, 260]$ MeV

10% change \Rightarrow 0.5 %

SAMi-m* family:

$m_{IS}^*/m \in [0.6, 0.85]$

30% change \Rightarrow 5 %

[1] J. Meyer, P. Quentin, and B.K. Jennings, "The isovector dipole mode: A simple sum rule approach," Nuclear Physics A **385**, 269–284 (1982).

[2] J.D. Bowman, E. Lipparini, and S. Stringari, "Isovector monopole excitation energies," Physics Letters B **197**, 497–499 (1987).

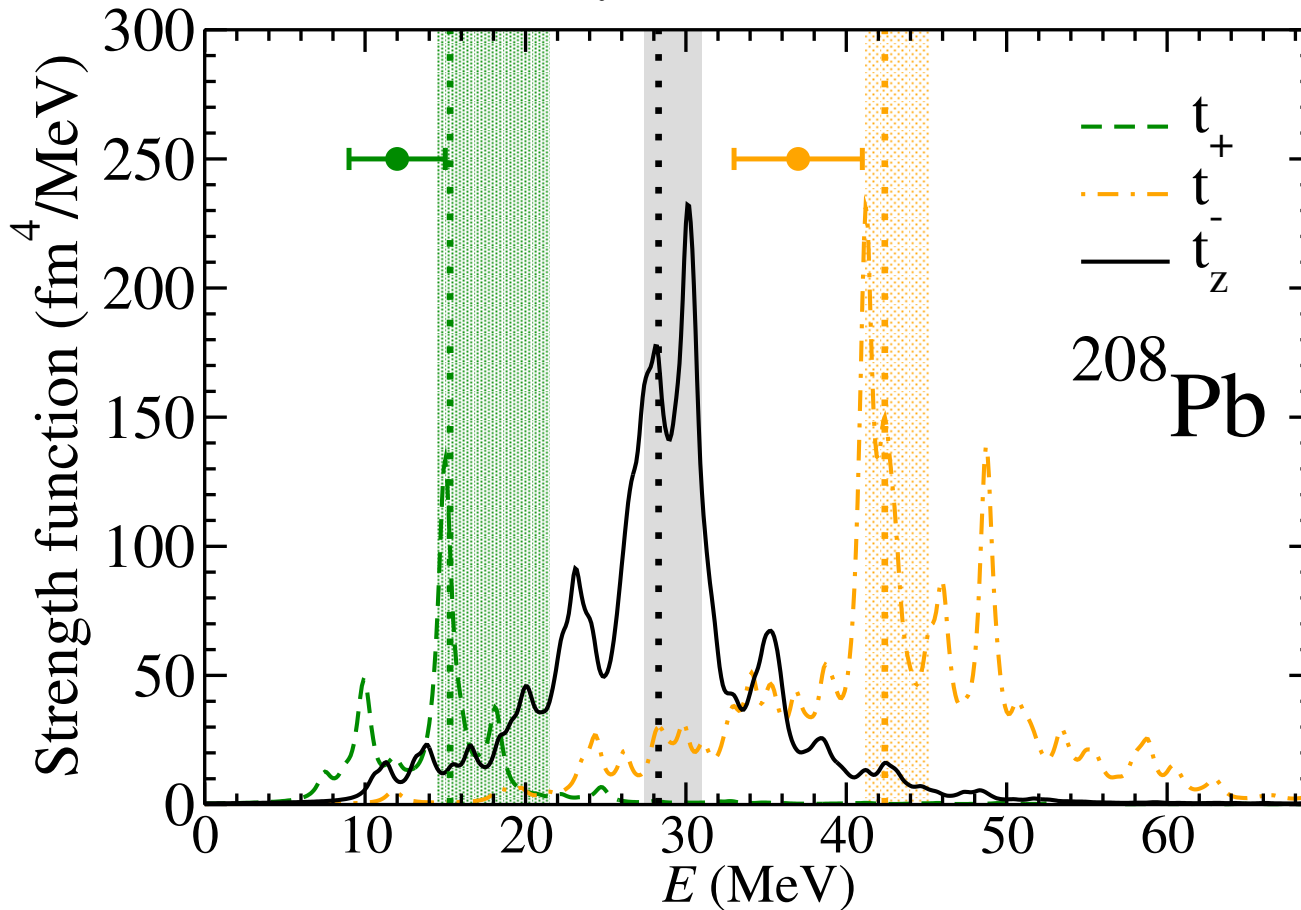
Isovector Monopole:

Strength function (exp data from pion charge-exchange [1])

$$E_+^{\text{cent.}} = 15.3 \text{ MeV}$$

$$E_-^{\text{cent.}} = 42.4 \text{ MeV}$$

$$E_z^{\text{cent.}} = 28.3 \text{ MeV}$$



Shaded region

$$E_\mu^{\text{const.}} - E_\mu^{\text{scal.}}$$

Differences in the **excitation energies** essentially depend on the **Coulomb displacement energy** ΔE_C and the **symmetry potential**

$$\Delta E_T \sim 25(N - Z)/A \text{ MeV}$$

(isospin splitting between $T \pm 1$ and T components of the IVM [2])

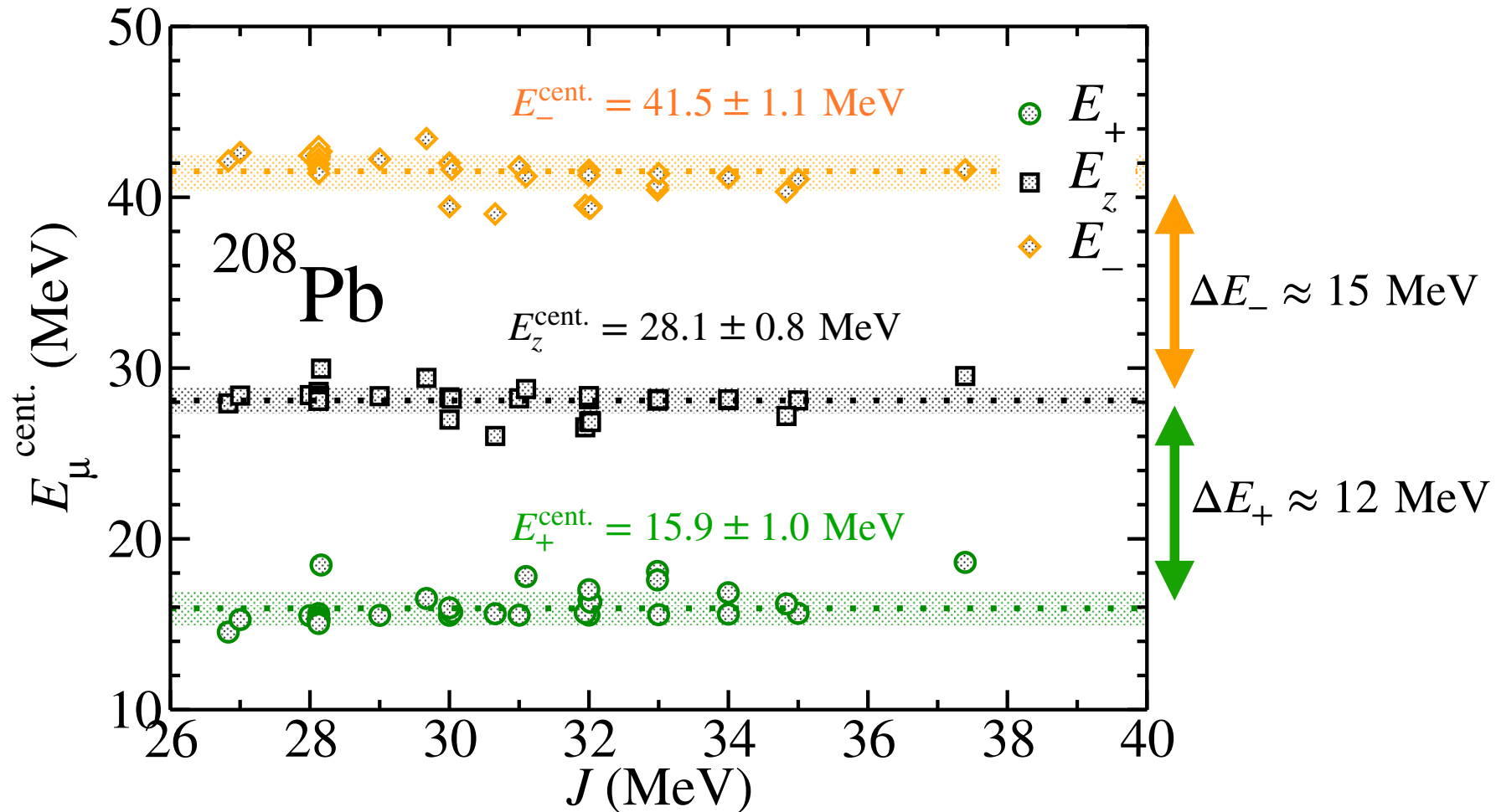
[1] A. Erell et al., Phys. Rev. C34 (1986) 1822;

[2] R. Leonardi, Phys. Rev. C 14, 385 (1976).

Isvector Monopole:

Excitation energy systematics (model independent?)

$$\Delta E_{\pm} \approx \Delta E_C \mp \Delta m_{np} - \Delta E_T \approx 19 \pm 1.2 - 5.5 \approx \begin{matrix} 15 \\ 12 \end{matrix} \text{ MeV}$$



Conclusions

The **IAS** effects must be **subtracted** from the excitation operator to **better isolate** the **charge-exchange IVM**

The **center of mass (CM)** must be **subtracted** from the excitation operator to **better isolate** the **non charge-exchange IVM**

The **subtraction of the CM** is **important** to access information on the **symmetry potential** through the study of the **monopole polarizability**
 α_M

The **energies** of the three **IVM** modes are **quite different** \Rightarrow competing effects of the **Coulomb** and **symmetry** potentials.

Excitation energies are, to a good extent, **model independent (?)**