

Nuclear clustering and excitations in the EDF approach

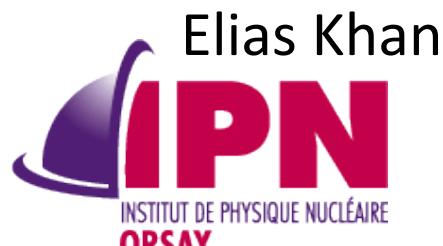
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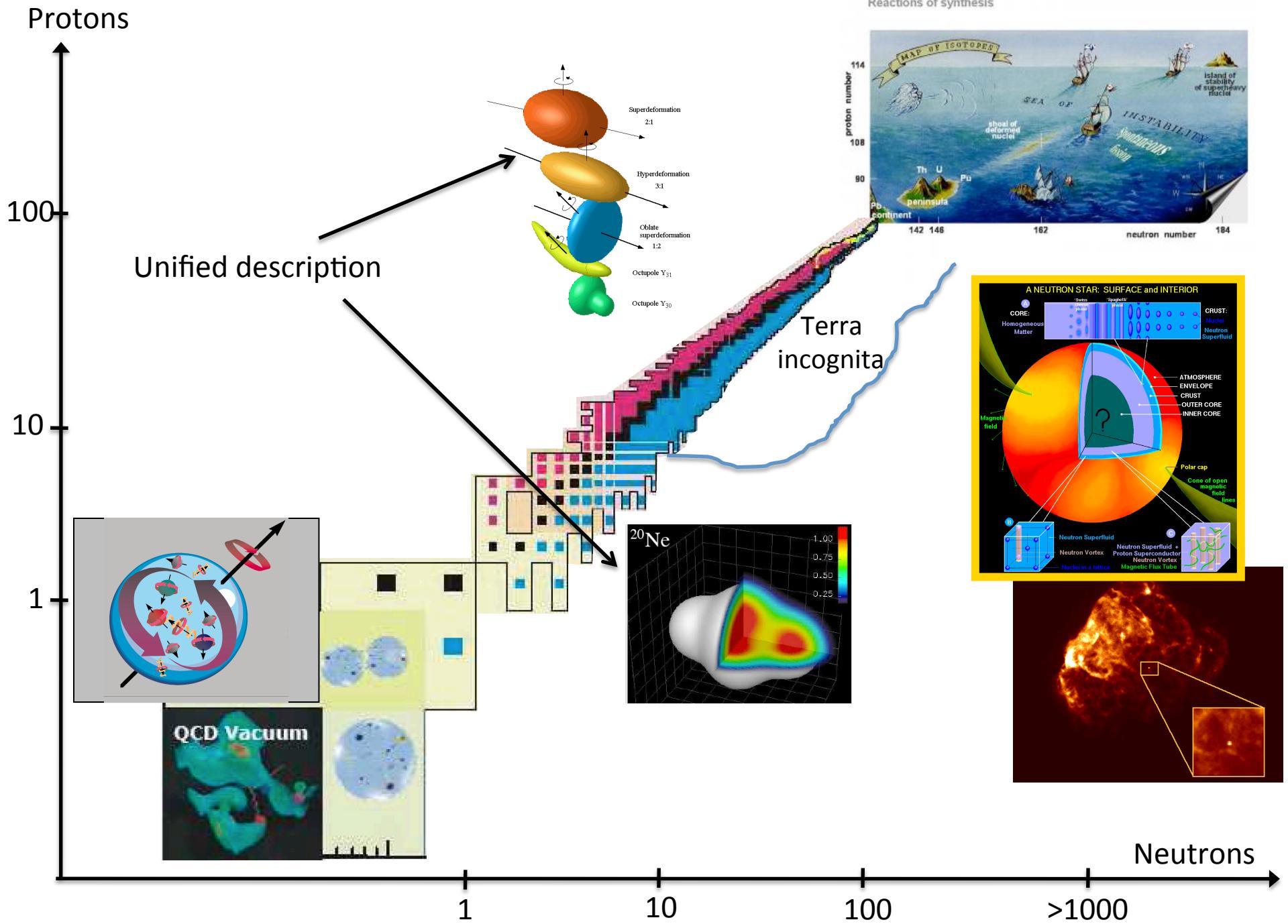
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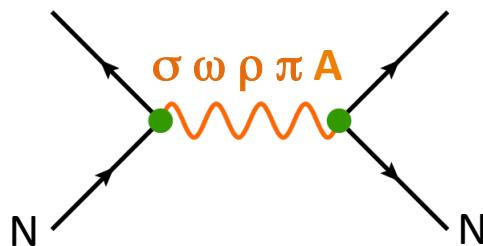
- 1) Unified microscopic approach
- 2) Clusters predictions
- 3) Excitations: towards comparison with exp.
- 4) Deeper understanding of cluster phenomenon ?



1) Unified microscopic approach



Relativistic EDF in nuclei



$$\mathcal{L}_{int} = -g_\sigma(\rho_v)\bar{\psi}\sigma\psi - g_\omega(\rho_v)\bar{\psi}\gamma_\mu\omega^\mu\psi - g_\rho(\rho_v)\bar{\psi}\gamma_\mu\rho^\mu \cdot \vec{\tau}\psi - \frac{f_\pi(\rho_v)}{m_\pi}\bar{\psi}\gamma_5\gamma_\mu\partial^\mu\vec{\pi}\cdot\vec{\tau}\psi - e\bar{\psi}\gamma_\mu A^\mu\psi$$

EDF [ρ ; $\sigma, \omega, \rho, \pi, A$]

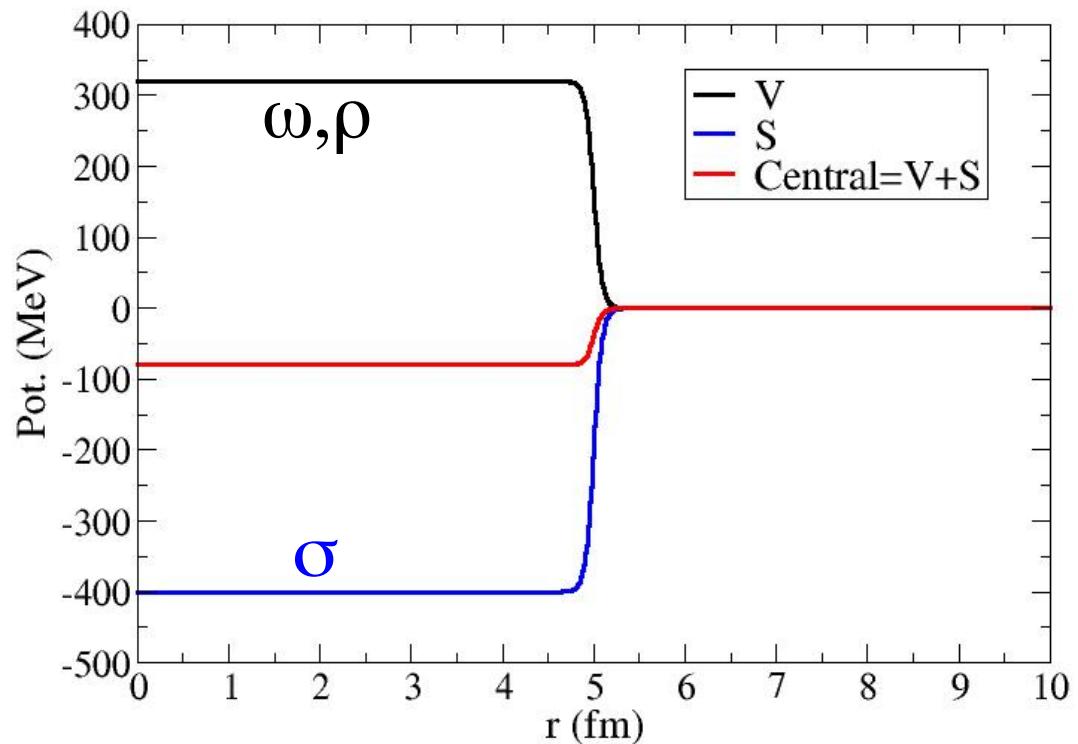
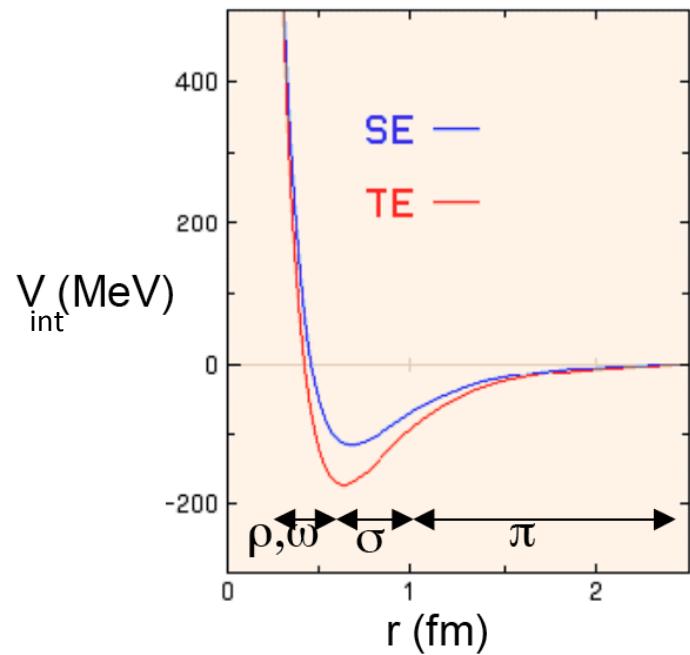


$$\left\{ p \frac{1}{2\tilde{M}(r)} p + W(r) + V_{ls}(r) l.s \right\} \varphi_i = \varepsilon_i^{NR} \varphi_i$$

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$$V_{ls}(r) = \frac{1}{2\tilde{M}^2(r)} \frac{1}{r} \frac{d}{dr} (V - S)$$

V and S potentials



EDF method & clusters

- EDF: many-body system mapped into the **one-body density** and its powers, gradient

$$\rho_0(\mathbf{r}) = \rho_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}) = \sum_{\sigma\tau} \rho(\mathbf{r}\sigma\tau; \mathbf{r}\sigma\tau)$$

$$\rho_1(\mathbf{r}) = \rho_1(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}) = \sum_{\sigma\tau} \rho(\mathbf{r}\sigma\tau; \mathbf{r}\sigma\tau) \tau$$

$$\mathbf{s}_0(\mathbf{r}) = \mathbf{s}_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}) = \sum_{\sigma\sigma'\tau} \rho(\mathbf{r}\sigma\tau; \mathbf{r}\sigma'\tau) \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\sigma'\sigma}$$

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$$\mathbf{j}_T(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{i}{2} (\nabla' - \nabla) \rho_T(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') \Big|_{\mathbf{r}=\mathbf{r}'}$$

$$\mathcal{J}_T(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{i}{2} (\nabla' - \nabla) \otimes \mathbf{s}_T(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') \Big|_{\mathbf{r}=\mathbf{r}'}$$

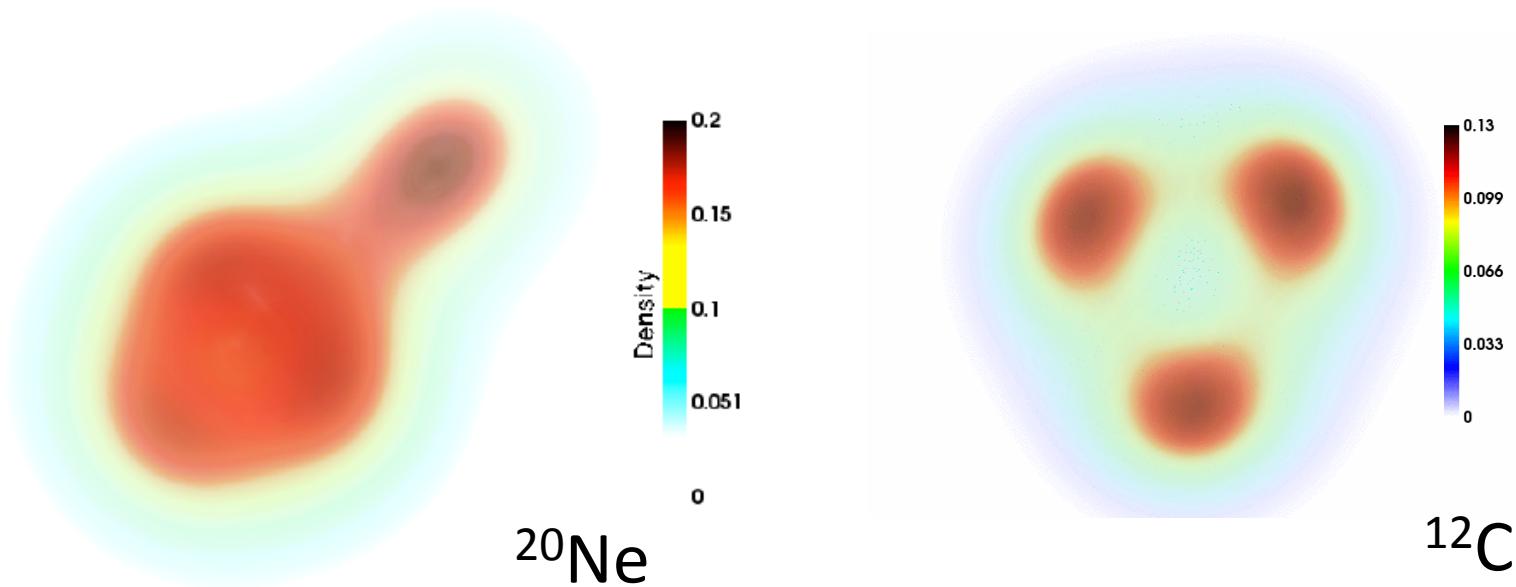
$$\boldsymbol{\tau}_T(\mathbf{r}) = \nabla \cdot \nabla' \rho_T(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') \Big|_{\mathbf{r}=\mathbf{r}'}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_T(\mathbf{r}) = \nabla \cdot \nabla' \mathbf{s}_T(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') \Big|_{\mathbf{r}=\mathbf{r}'}$$

- **Most general** antisymmetrised product of nucleonic wavefunctions
- **Not any a priori assumption** on the nucleons' wave function
- **Correlations** beyond the mean-field effectively included by the EDF
- Results are obtained in the **intrinsic** frame of the nucleus
- Investigate nuclear structure on the **whole nuclear chart**
- **Relativistic**: the depth of the central potential is **consistently predicted**

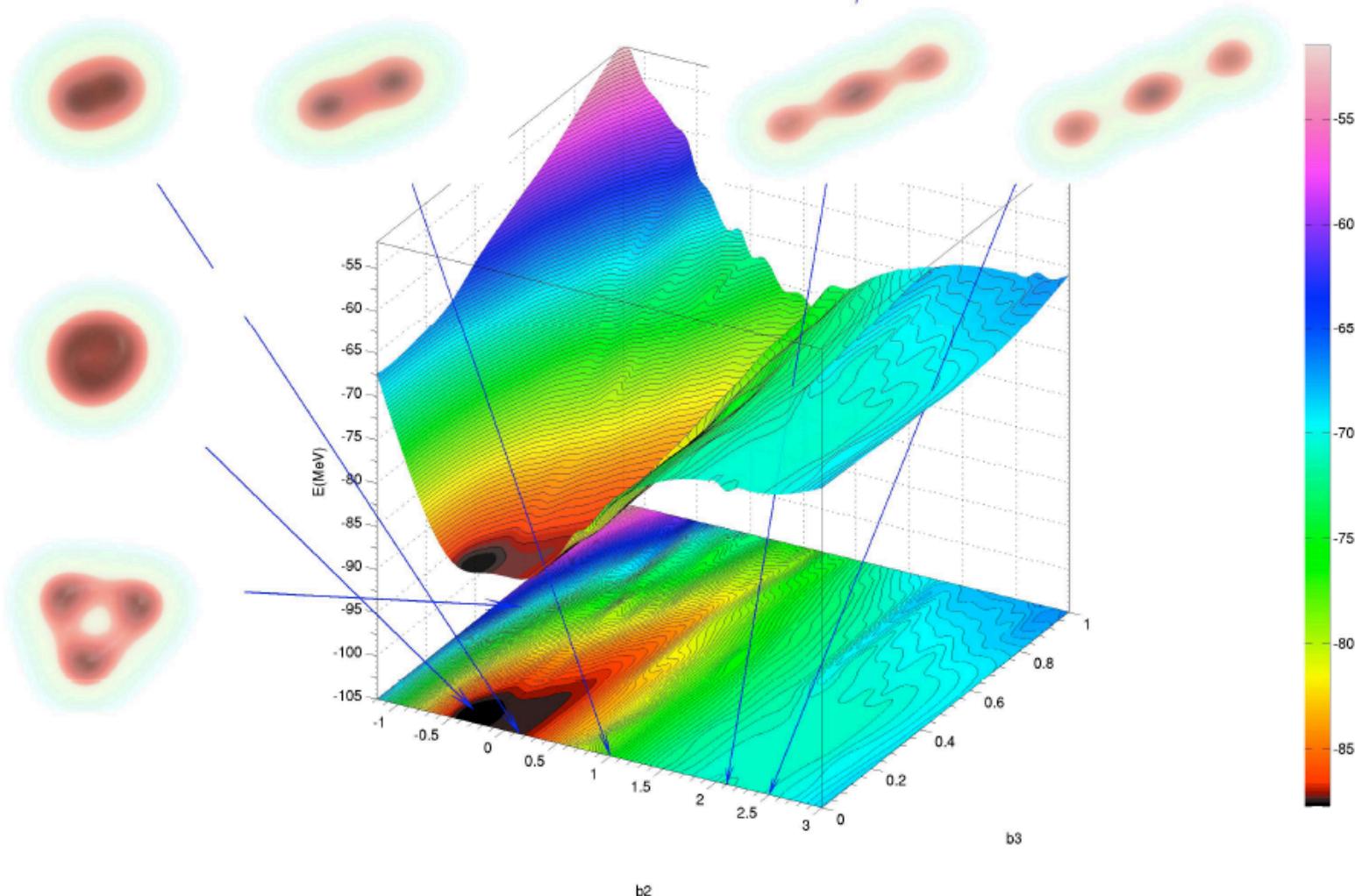
2) Predictions

Quadrupole + octupole deformations



Constrained RHB (DDME2)
 β_2, β_3 , parity proj.

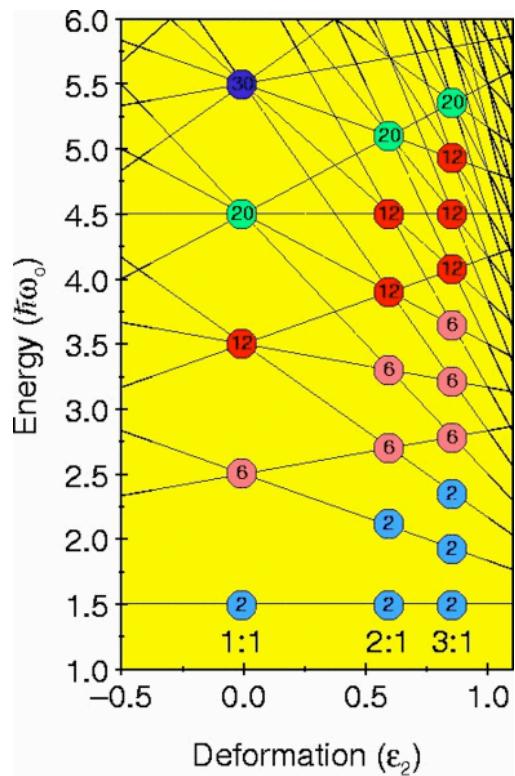
Parity-projected quadrupole/octupole results



^{12}C ($K^\pi = 0^+$) PAV

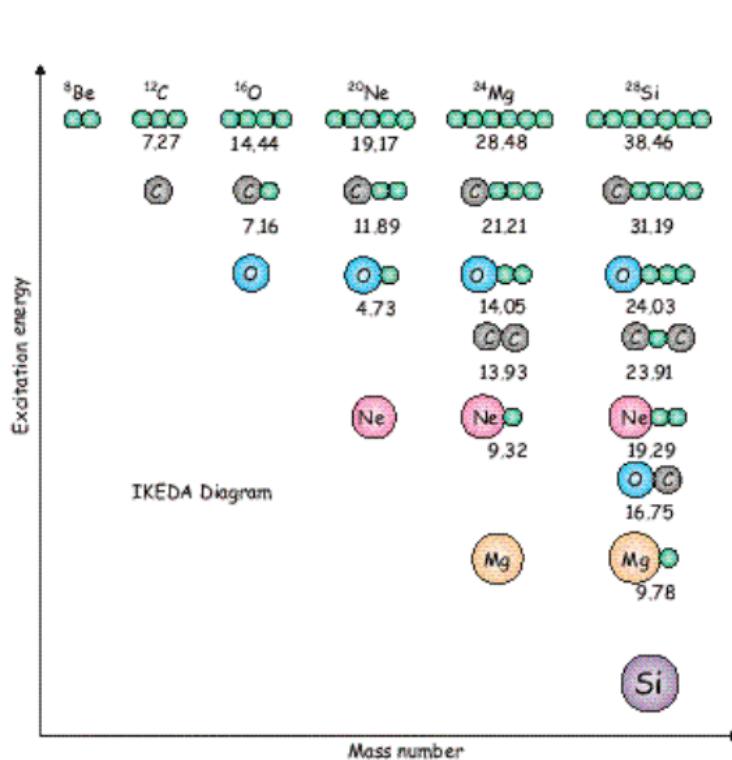
Towards a global picture

deformation and degeneracy



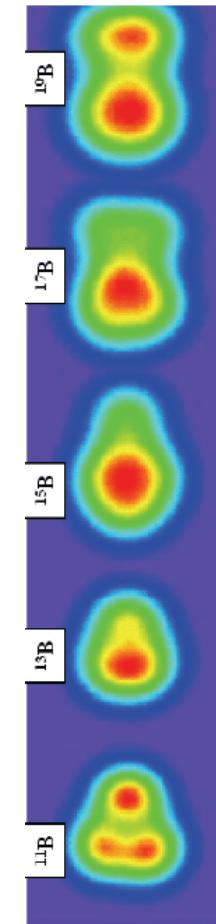
Von Oertzen, Freer, Kanada-En'yo,
Phys. Rep. 432(2006)43

excitations



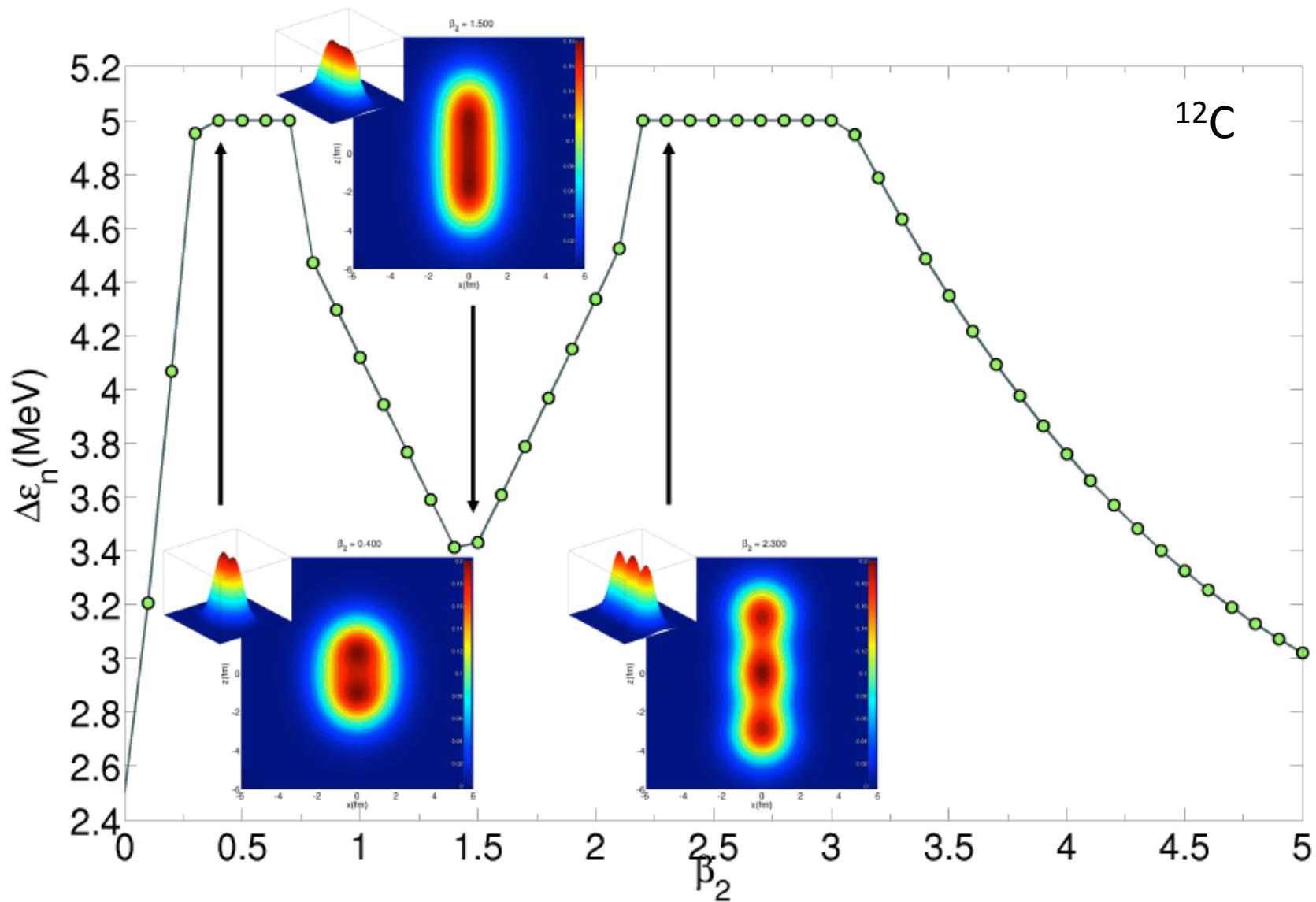
Ikeda, Tagikawa, Horiuchi,
Prog. Theor. Phys. 464(1968)464

neutron excess

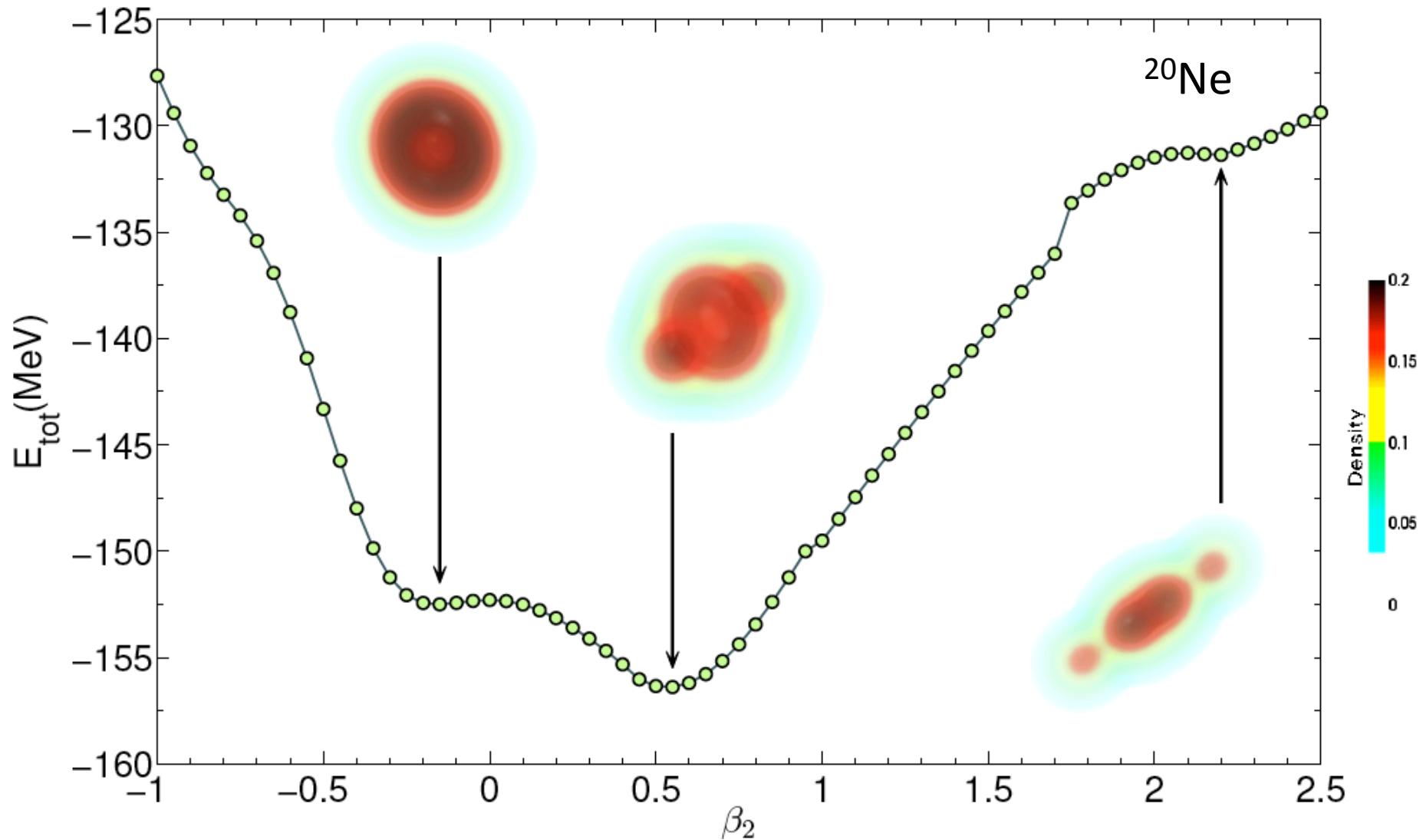


Kanada-En'yo, Horiuchi,
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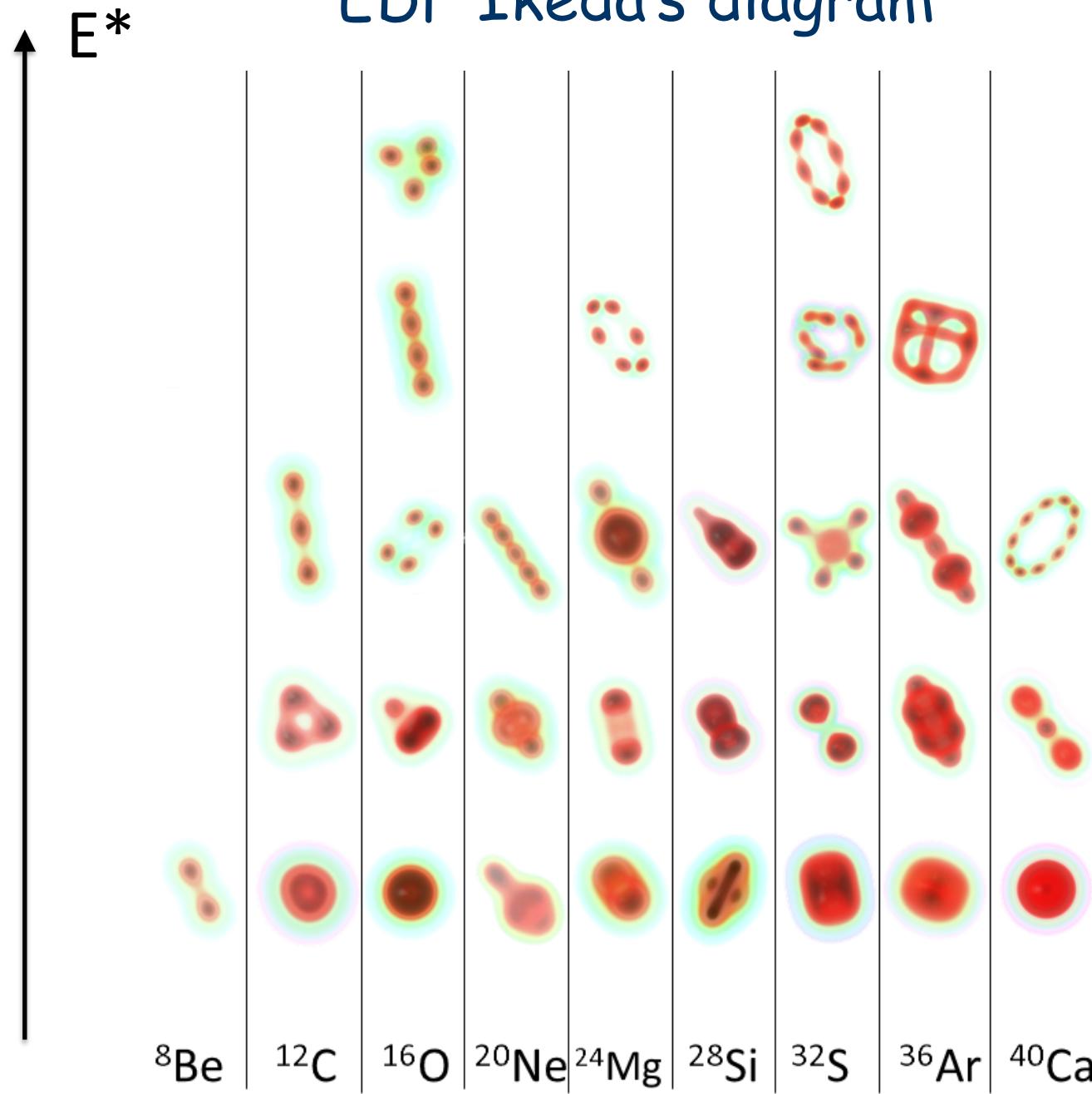
Effect of the deg. raising



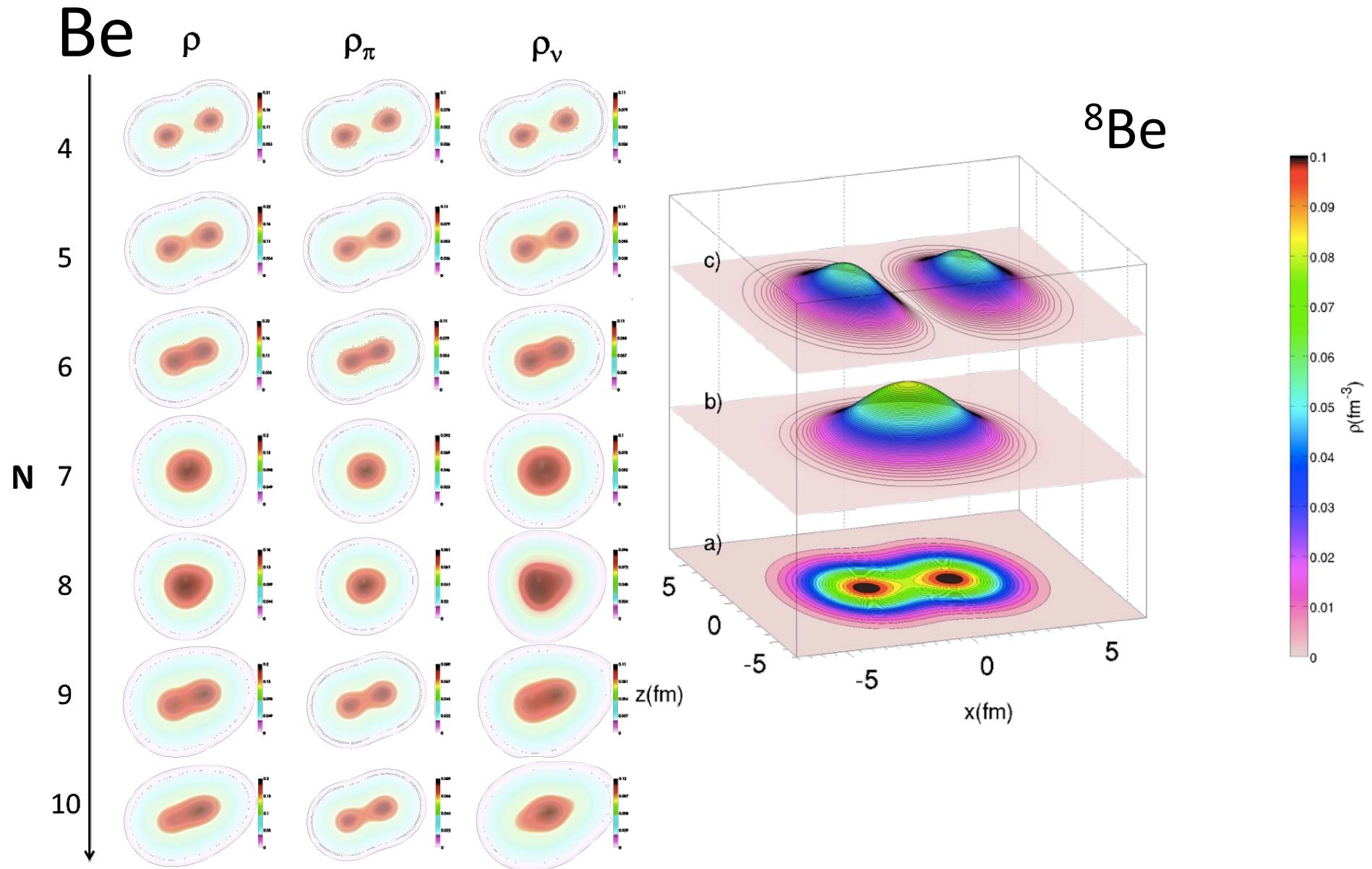
Effect of deformation & excitation



EDF Ikeda's diagram

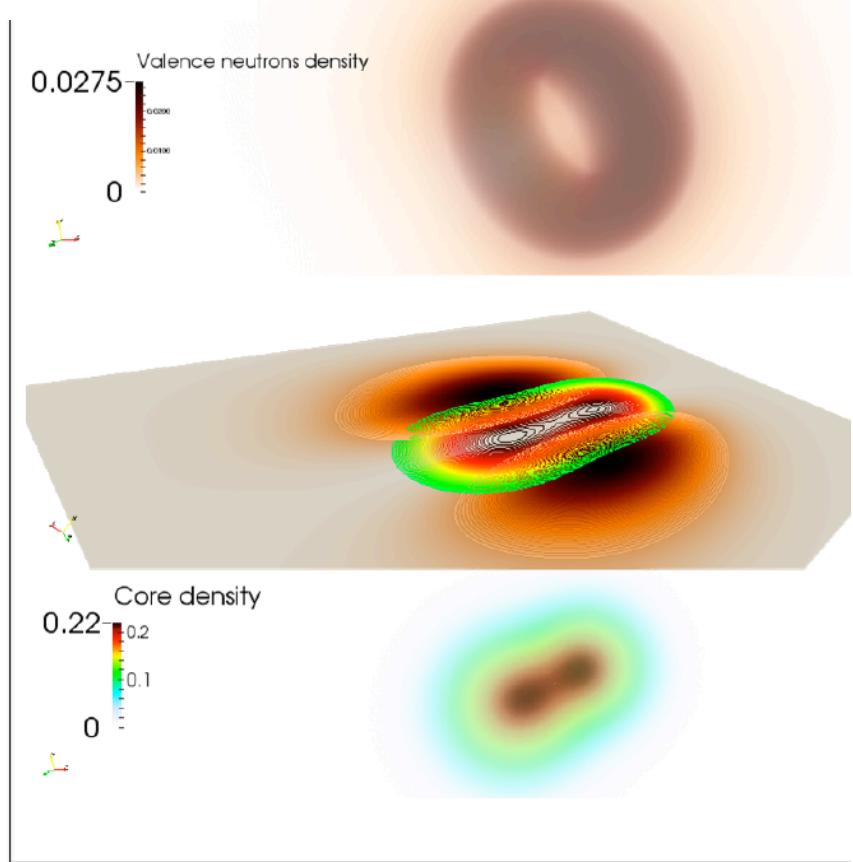


Isotopic dependence



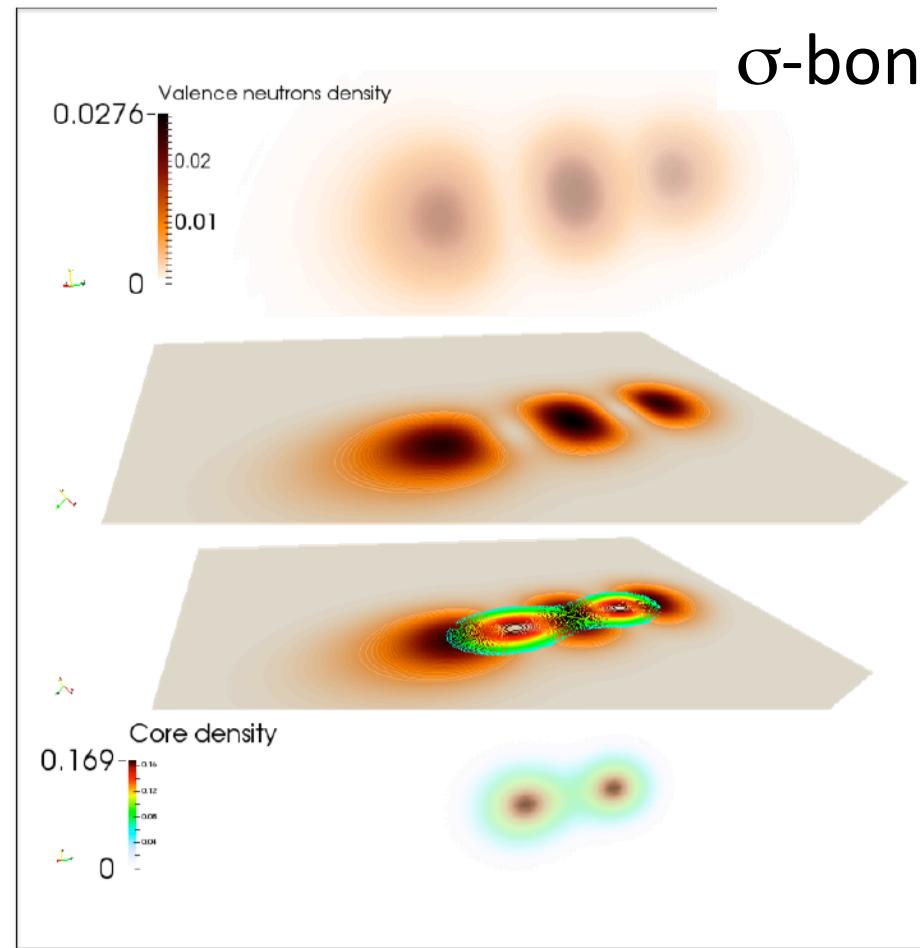
n valence molecular bond

π-bond



^{10}Be g.s.

σ-bond

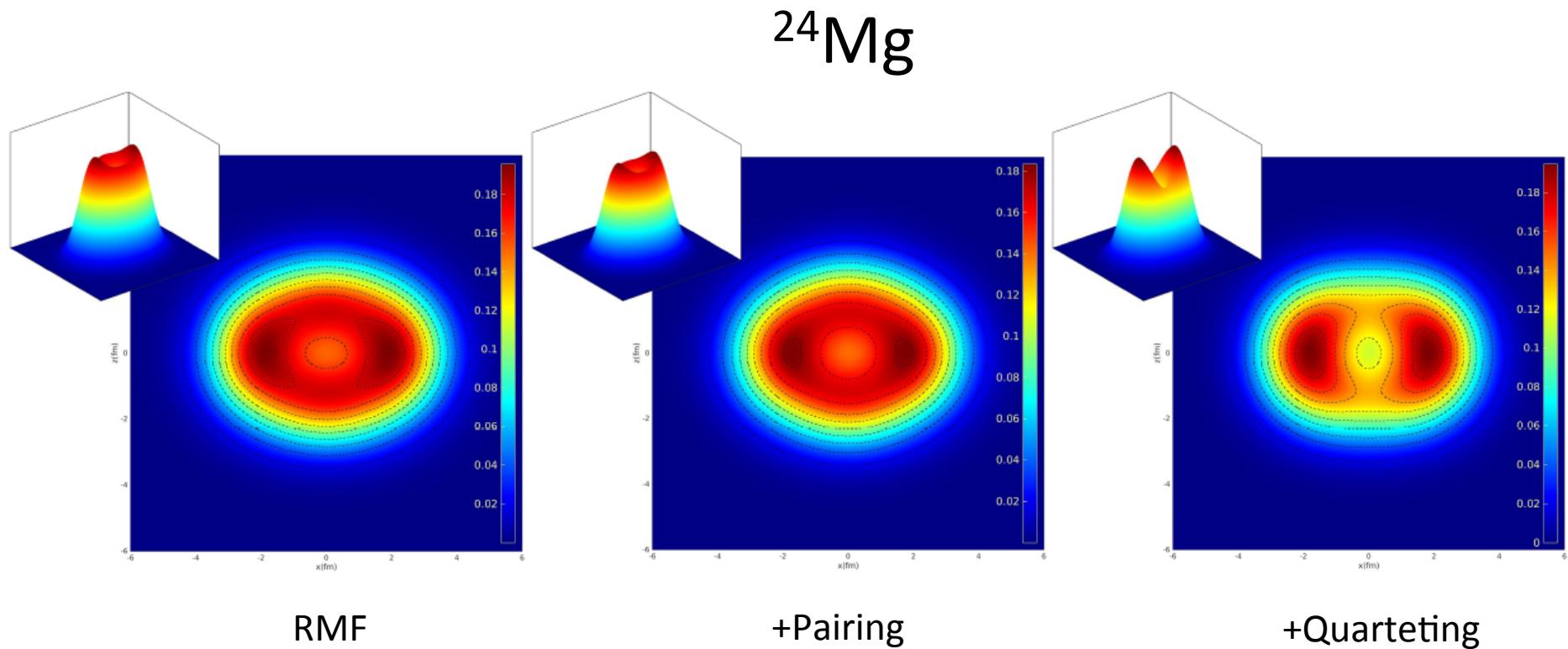


^{10}Be exc.

Beyond pairing: Quarteting

R. Lasseri, N. Sandulescu

$$\hat{H} = \sum_i \epsilon_i (N_i^\nu + N_i^\pi) + \sum_{i,j} V_{ij} \sum_{\tau=0,\pm 1} P_{i,\tau}^\dagger P_{j,\tau} \quad (\text{see PRL115(2015)112501, Sept. 9})$$



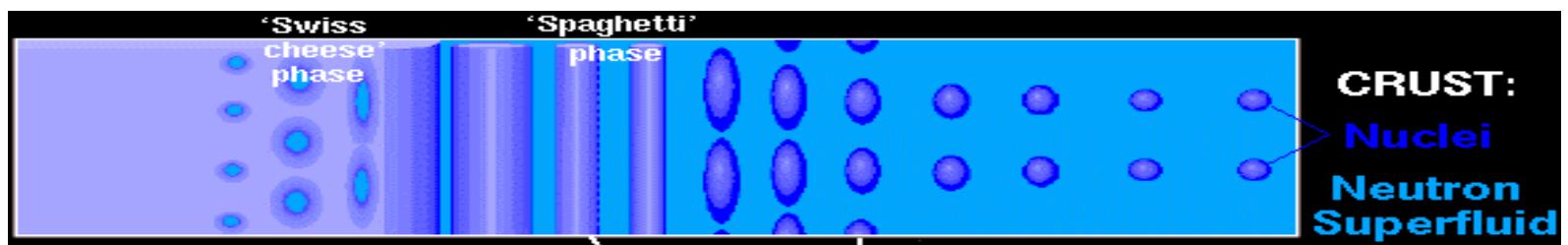
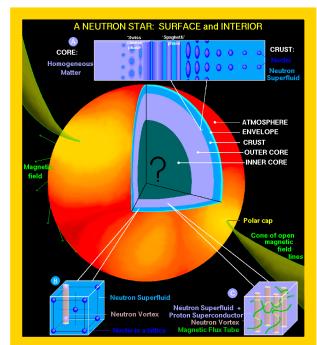
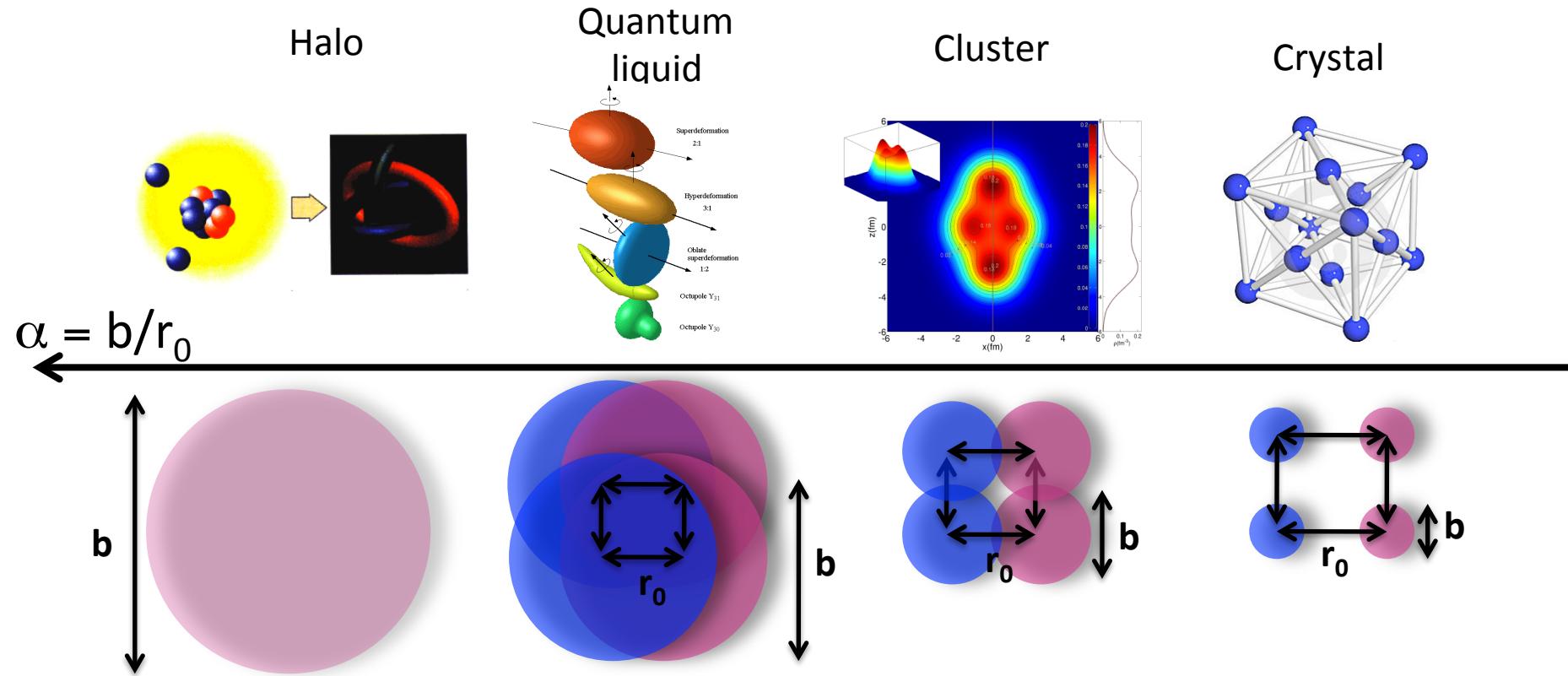
3) Excitations: towards comparison with experiment

Excitations modes as clustering signature

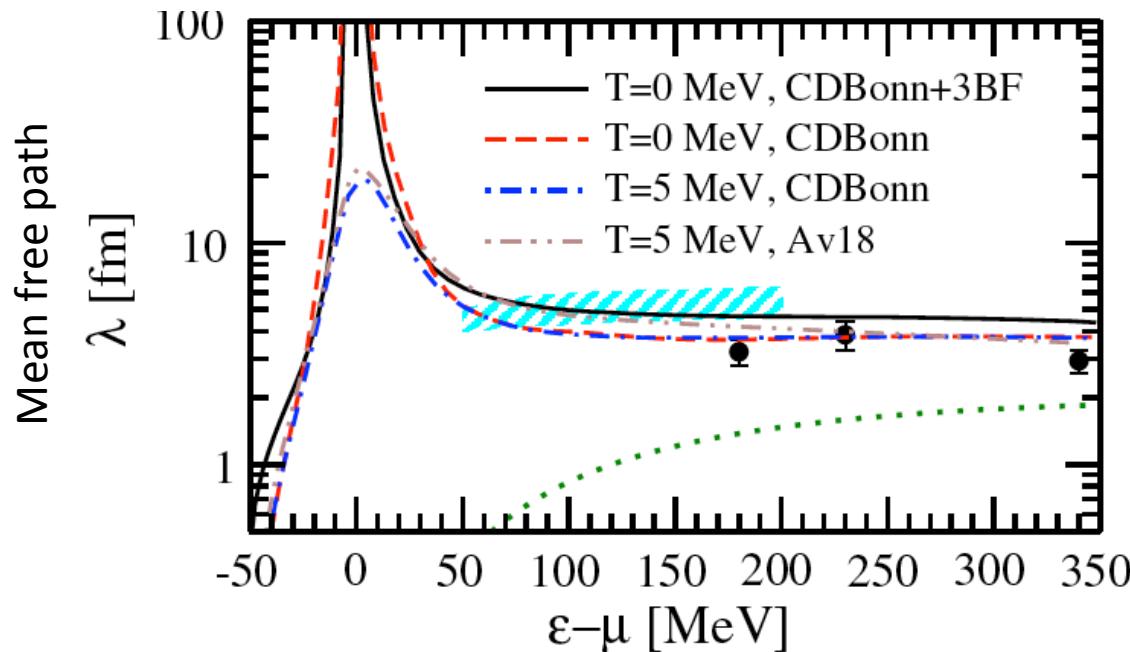
- Relativistic + deformation: QRPAz
- Vibration + rotations: collective Bohr Hamiltonian
- Correlations: IBM mapping

4) Deeper understanding
of the cluster phenomenon

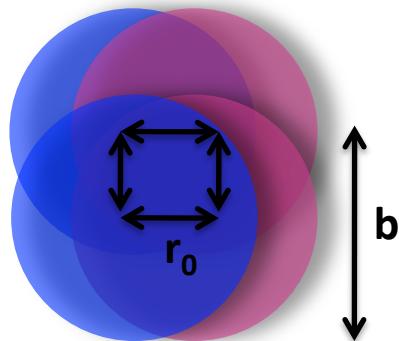
Nuclear states



Nuclei: a quantum liquid feature



A. Rios & V. Soma PRL108(2012)012501



B. Mottelson ⇒ the concept of independent particle motion is based on the fact that the orbits of individual nucleons are delocalized and reflect the shape and radial dependence of the effective potential over the entire nucleus!

The quantity and the localisation parameter

Mottelson: **quantity** =
Quantal kinetic energy/potential energy

$$\Lambda \hat{=} \frac{\hbar^2}{mr_0^2 V'_0}$$

Localisation parameter =
Localisation/internucleon distance

$$\alpha \hat{=} \frac{b}{r_0} = \frac{\sqrt{\hbar A}^{1/6}}{(2mV_0 r_0^2)^{1/4}}$$

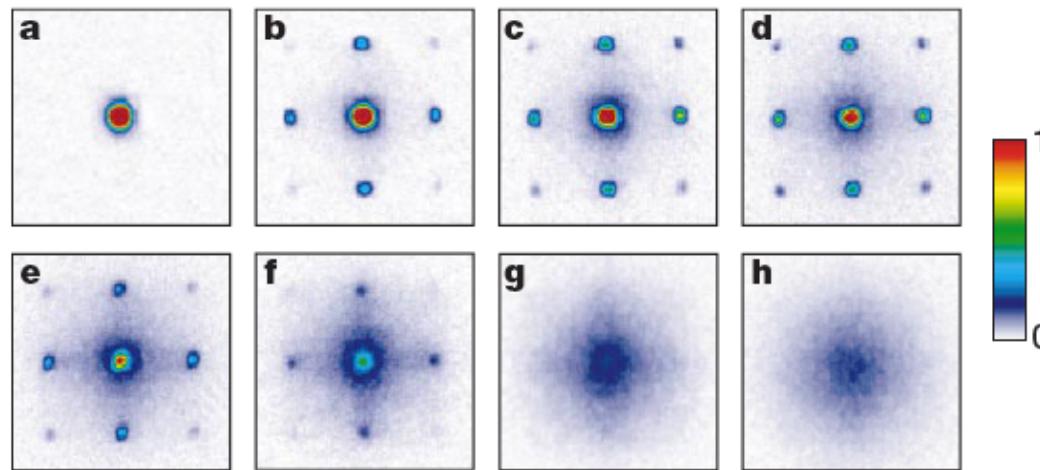
B. Mottelson, Proc. Les Houches school (1996)

Quantity does not take into account finite size effects at work for clusterisation

The depth of the potential

- **Ultracold atoms** : optical trap of variable depth V_0

M. Greiner et al., Nature 415 (2002) 39

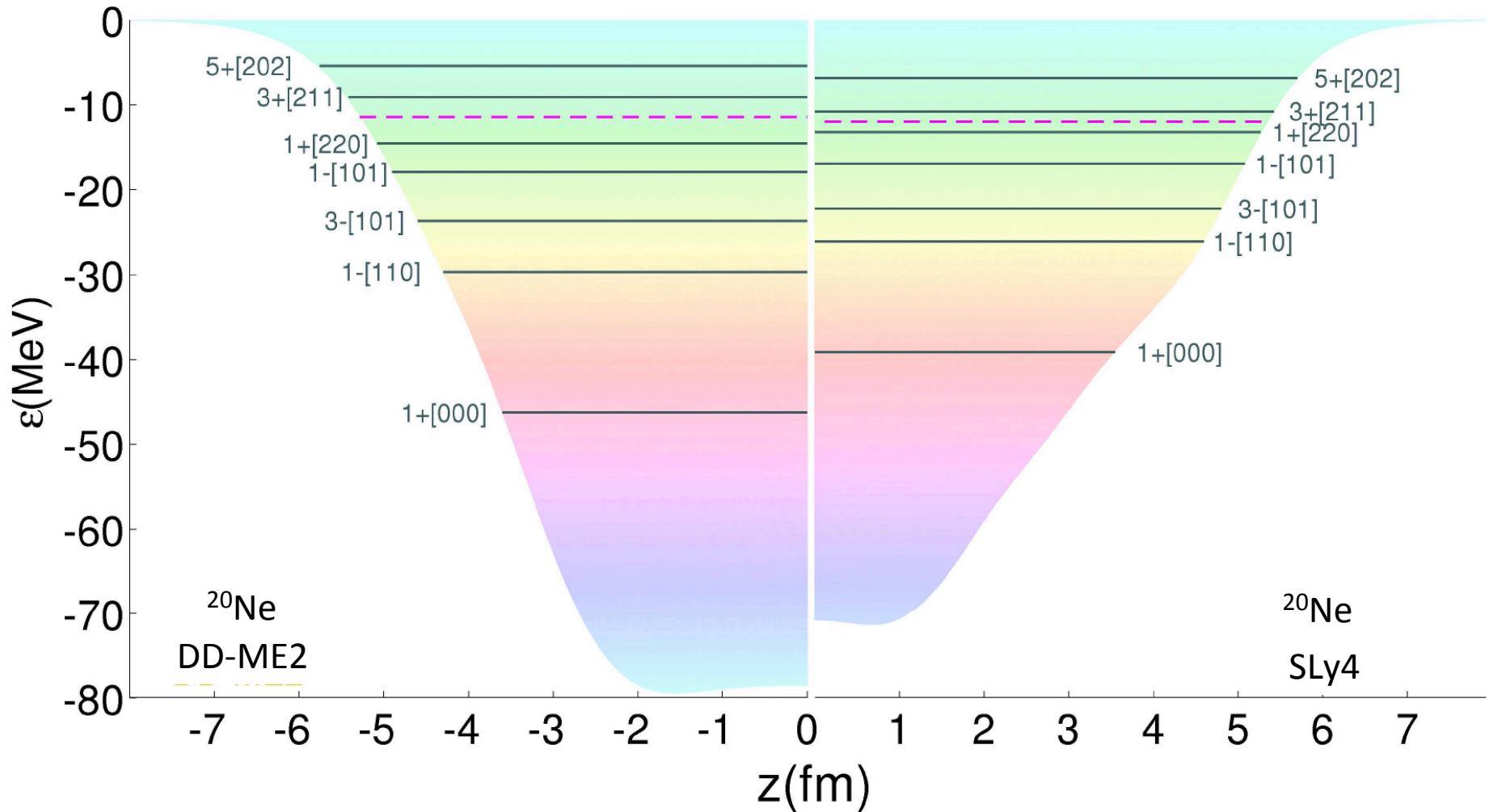


- **Nuclei** : depth of the potential **consistently** determined (relativistic)

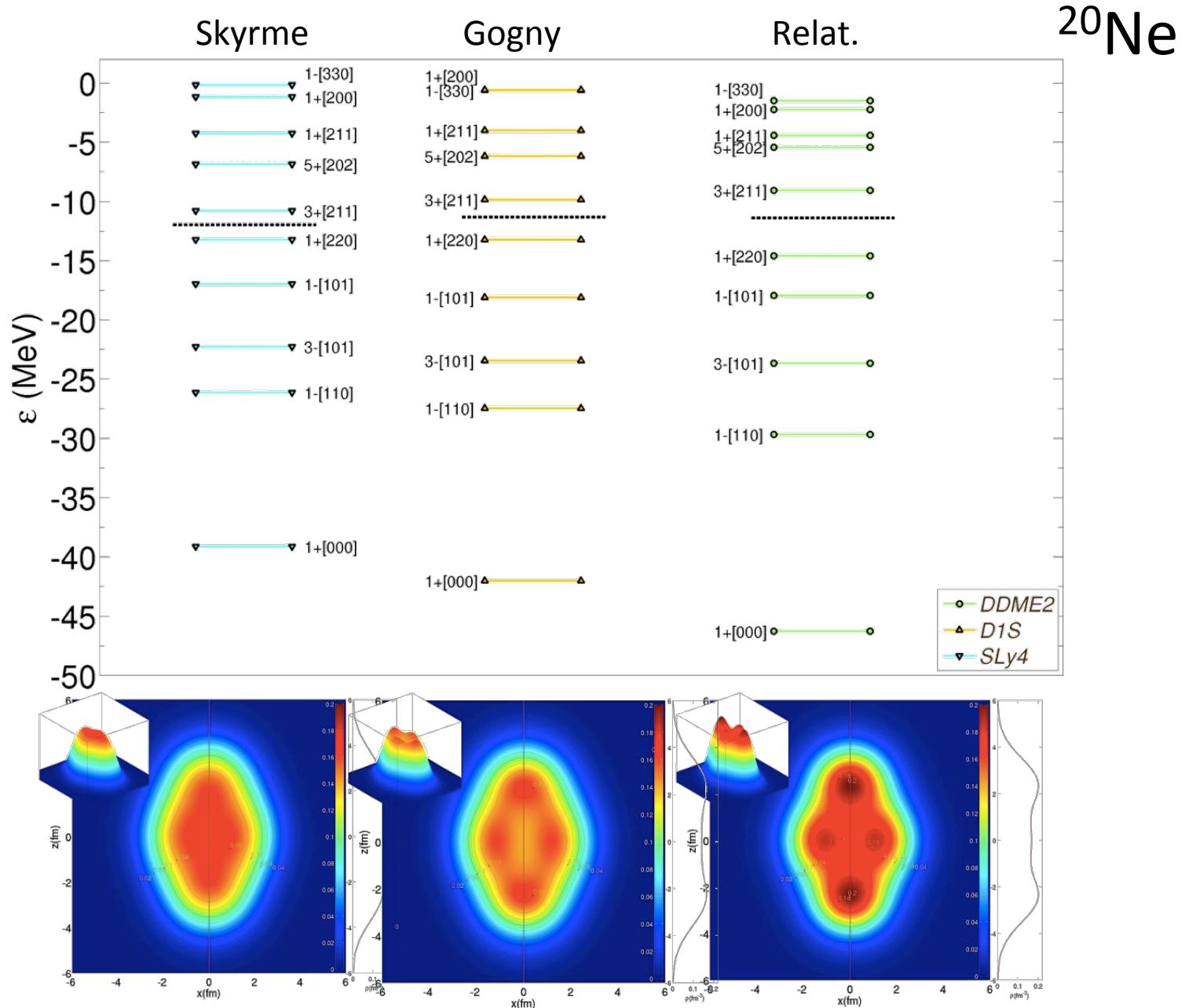
$$\left\{ p \frac{1}{2\tilde{M}(r)} p + W(r) + V_{ls}(r) I.s \right\} \varphi_i = \varepsilon_i - \varphi_i \quad S \approx -400 \text{ MeV} \quad V \approx 320 \text{ MeV} \quad \longrightarrow \quad V_0 \approx 80 \text{ MeV}$$

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$$V_{ls}(r) = \frac{1}{2\tilde{M}^2(r)} \frac{1}{r} \frac{d}{dr} (V - S)$$

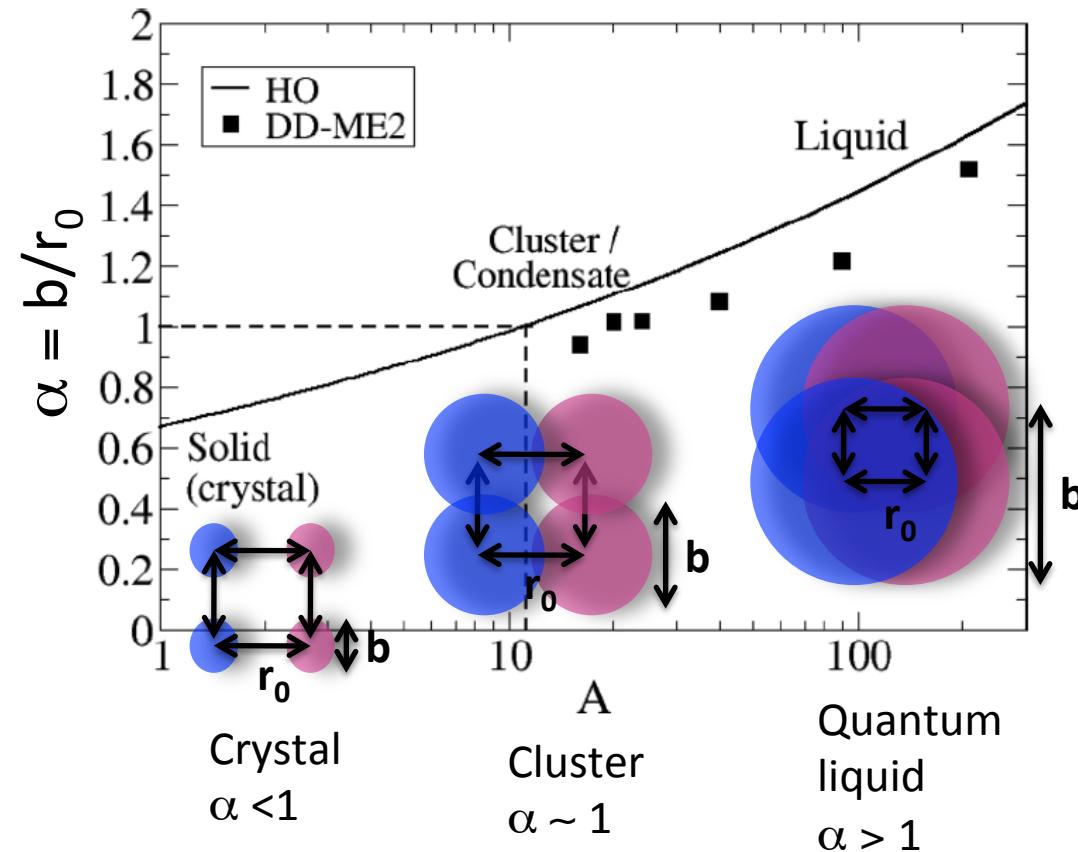
A way to vary the depth of the potential



Deeper potential leads to localisation



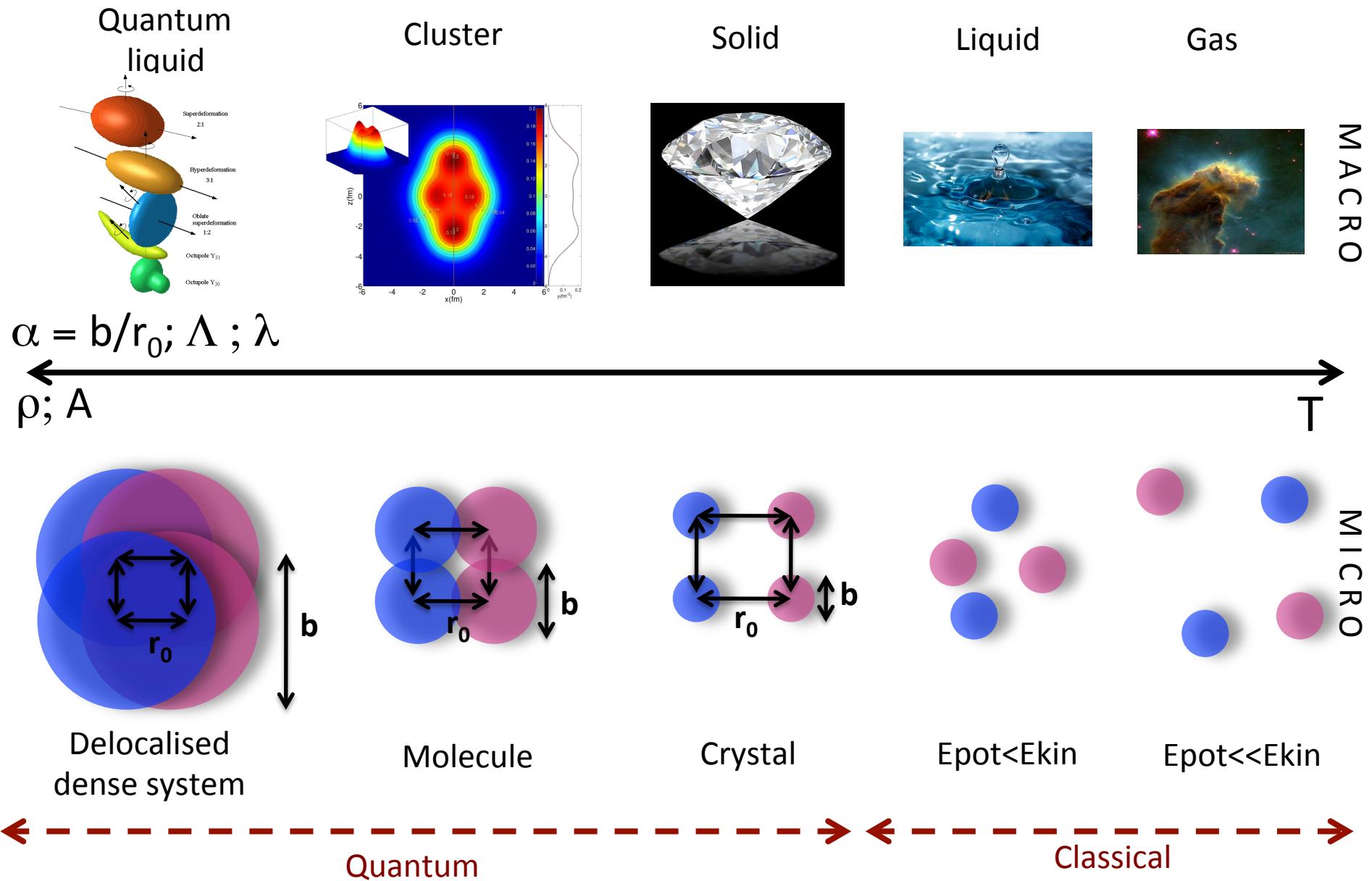
From a nuclear crystal to a nuclear liquid



In finite nuclei: localisation α

$$\hat{\alpha} = \frac{b}{r_0} = \frac{\sqrt{\hbar} A^{1/6}}{(2mV_0 r_0^2)^{1/4}}$$

States of matter



Summary

- Rel. EDF provides unified description of nuclear states: liquid drop, cluster and halo
 - Clusters = hybrid states between quantum liquid and crystal
 - Role of localisation, deformation, excitation, n excess
 - Exotic shapes, phase transition
 - Key role of saturation
 - Specific mode of excitation
 - Comparison with Exp. excitation spectra