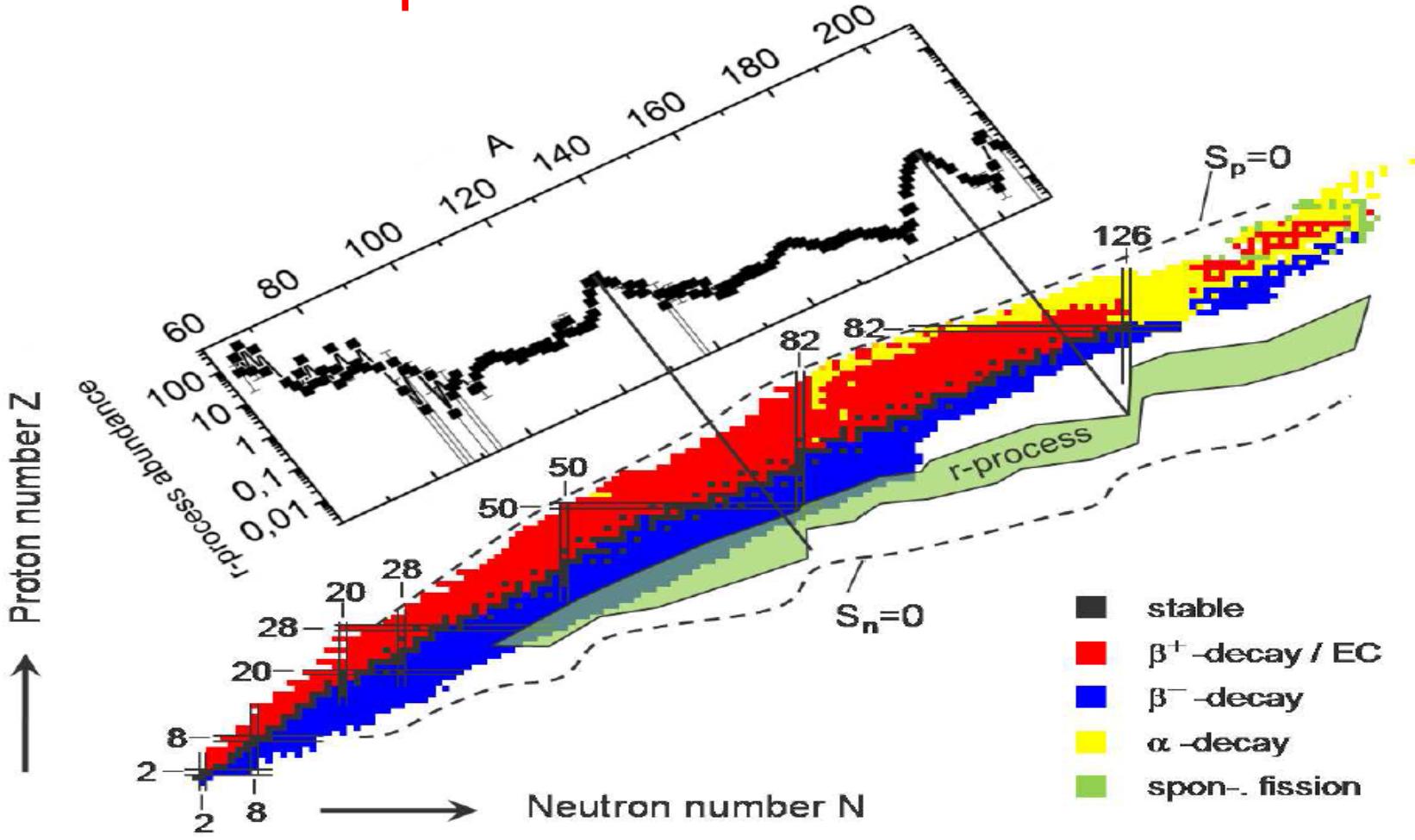


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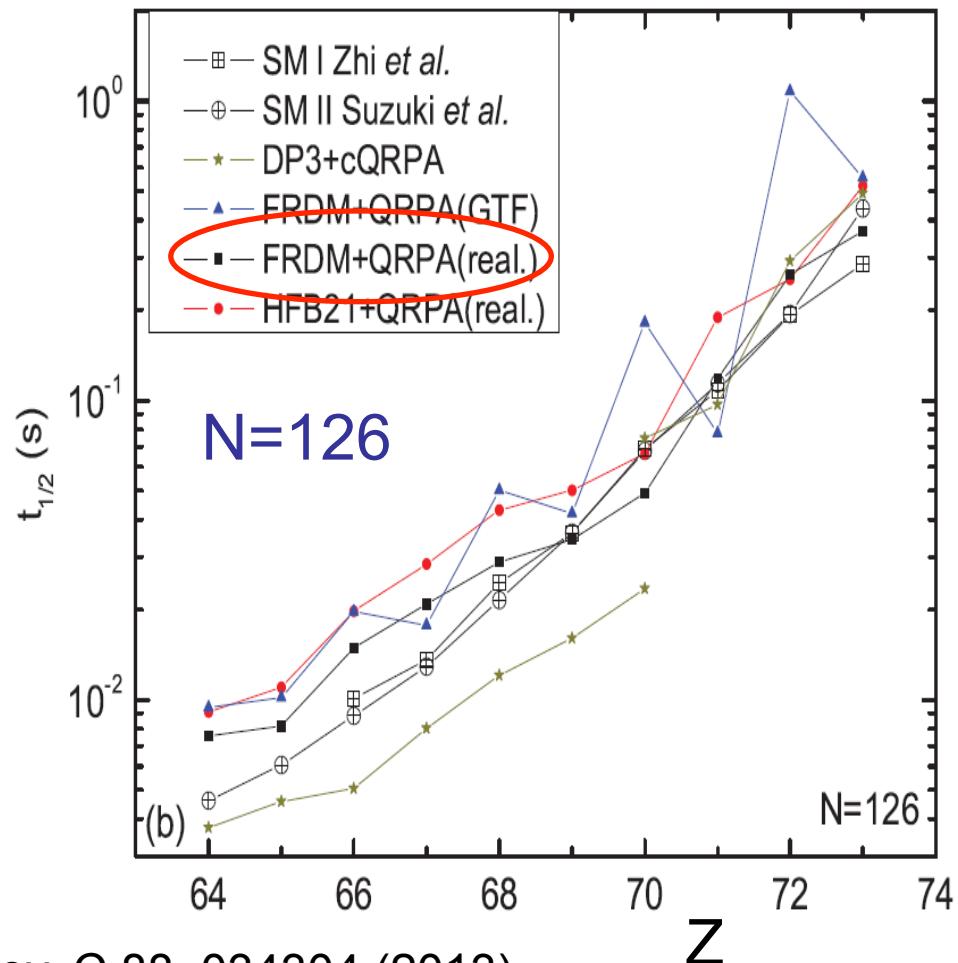
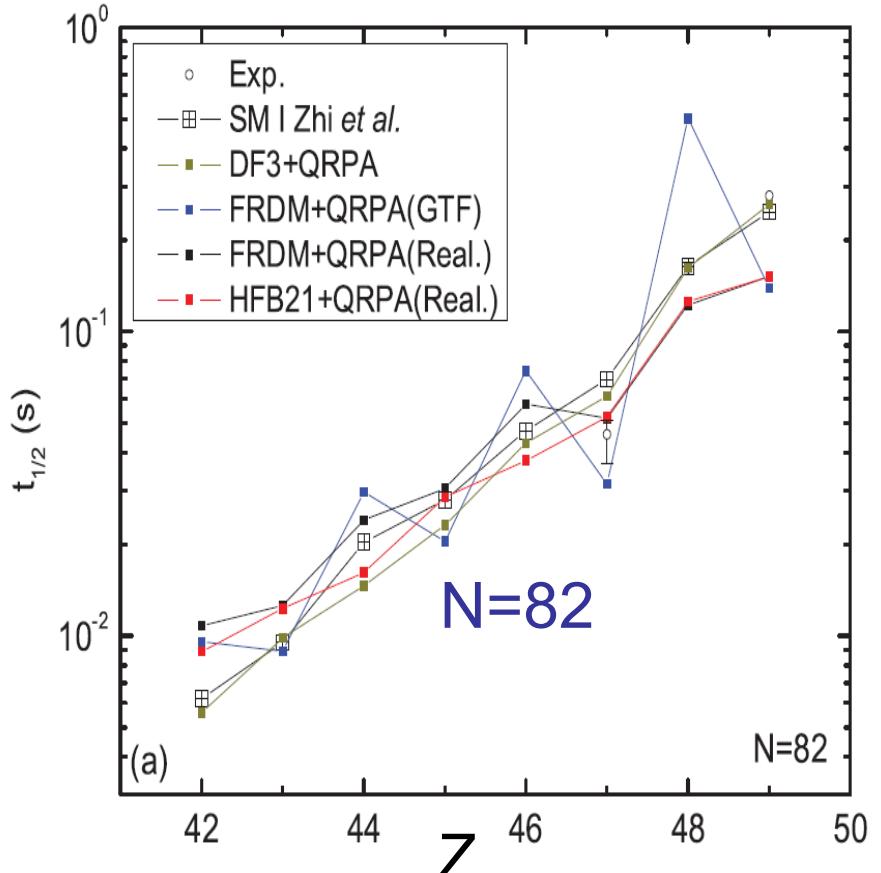
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# The r process and neutron-rich nuclei



# Halfives

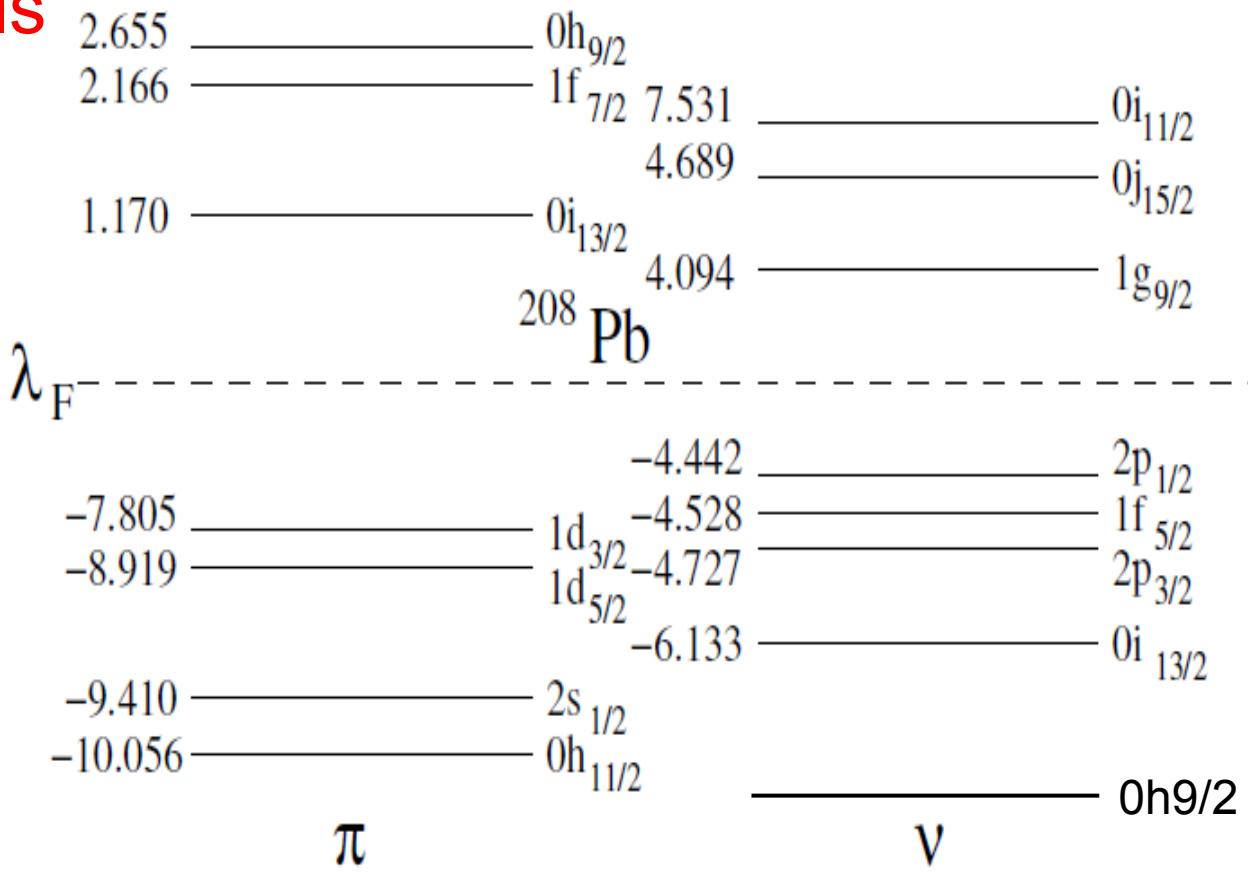


# Shell model orbitals

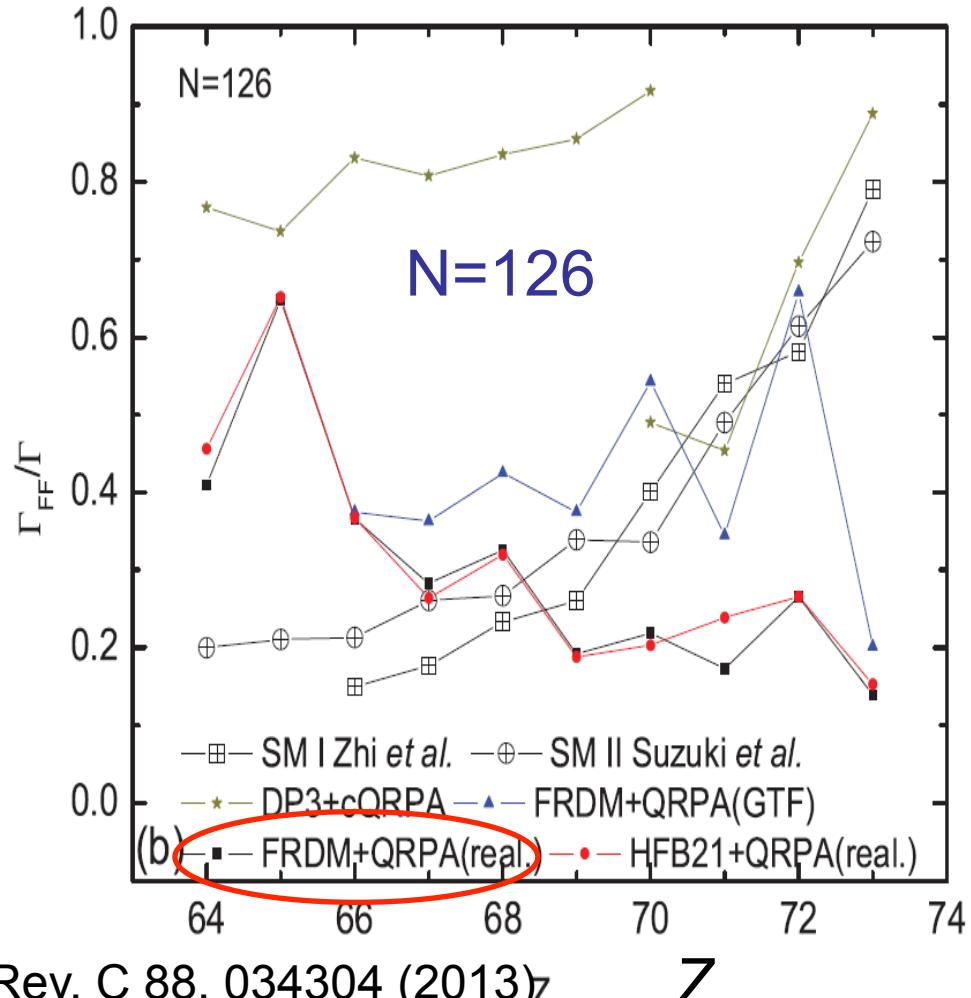
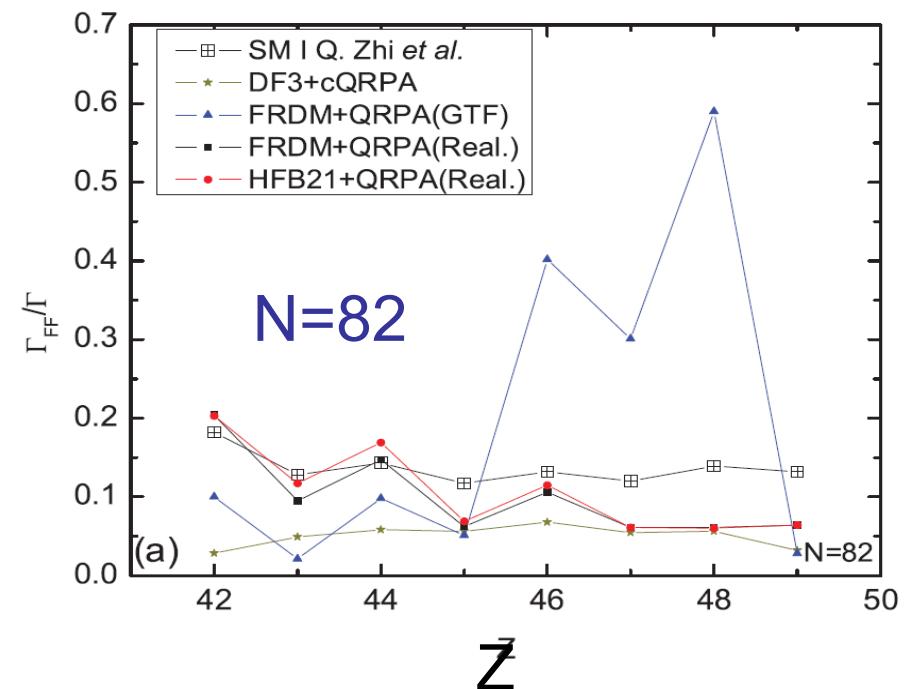
Allowed GT:  
 $\nu h9/2 \rightarrow \pi h11/2$

First-forbidden:  
 $\nu i13/2 \rightarrow \pi h11/2$   
 $\nu p1/2 \rightarrow \pi d3/2$

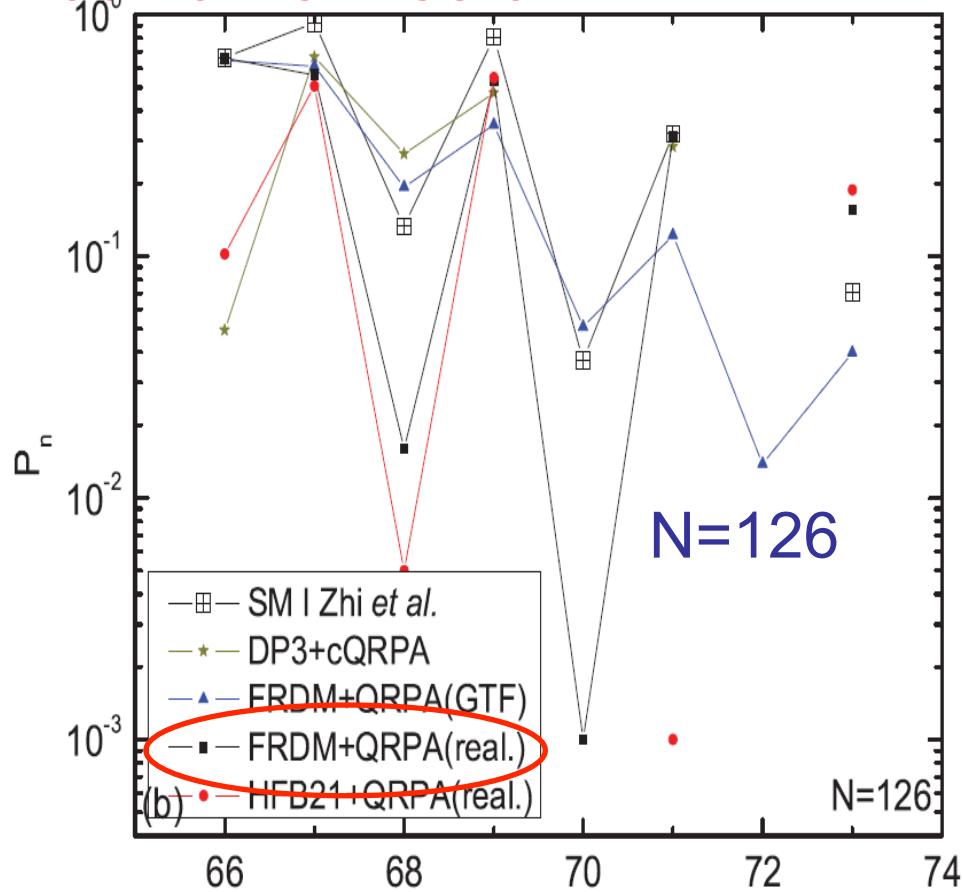
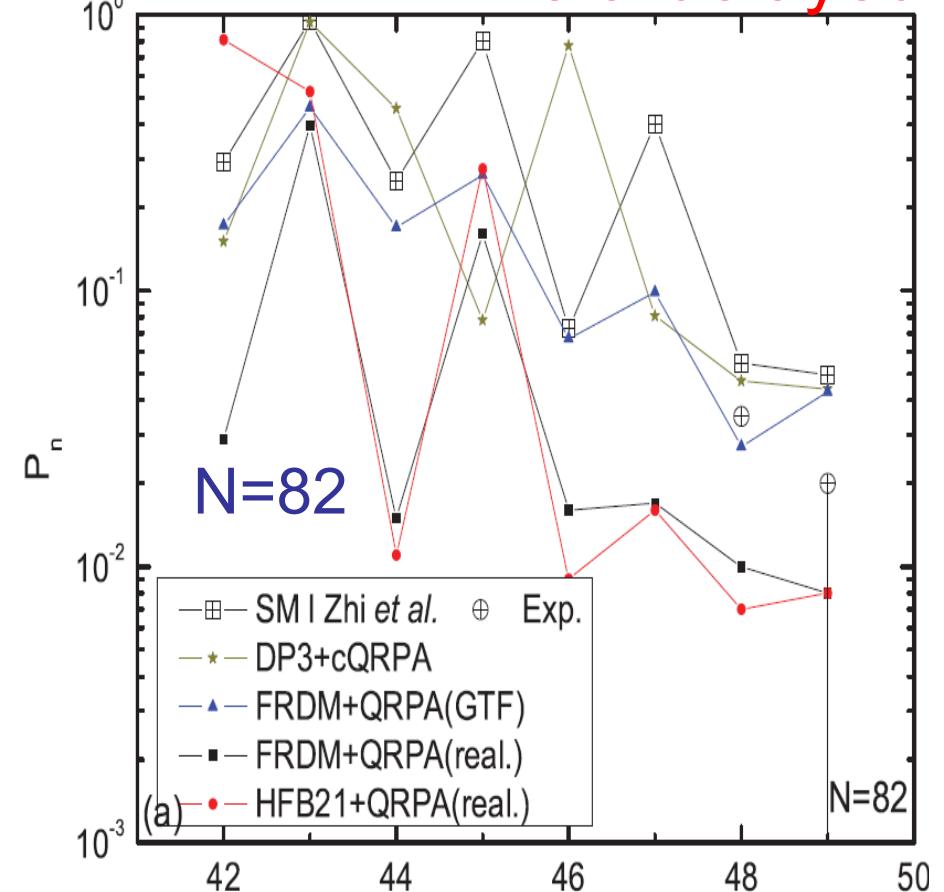
FF Energetically  
favoured



# First-forbidden $\beta$ decay

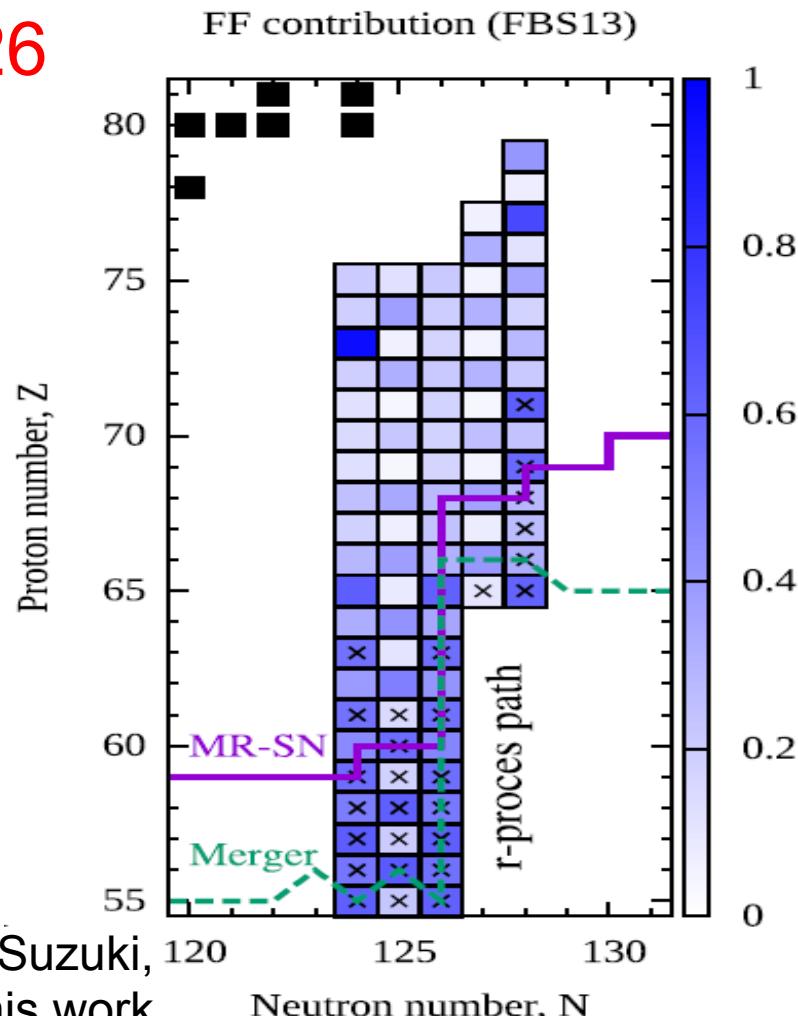


# Beta-delayed neutron emission



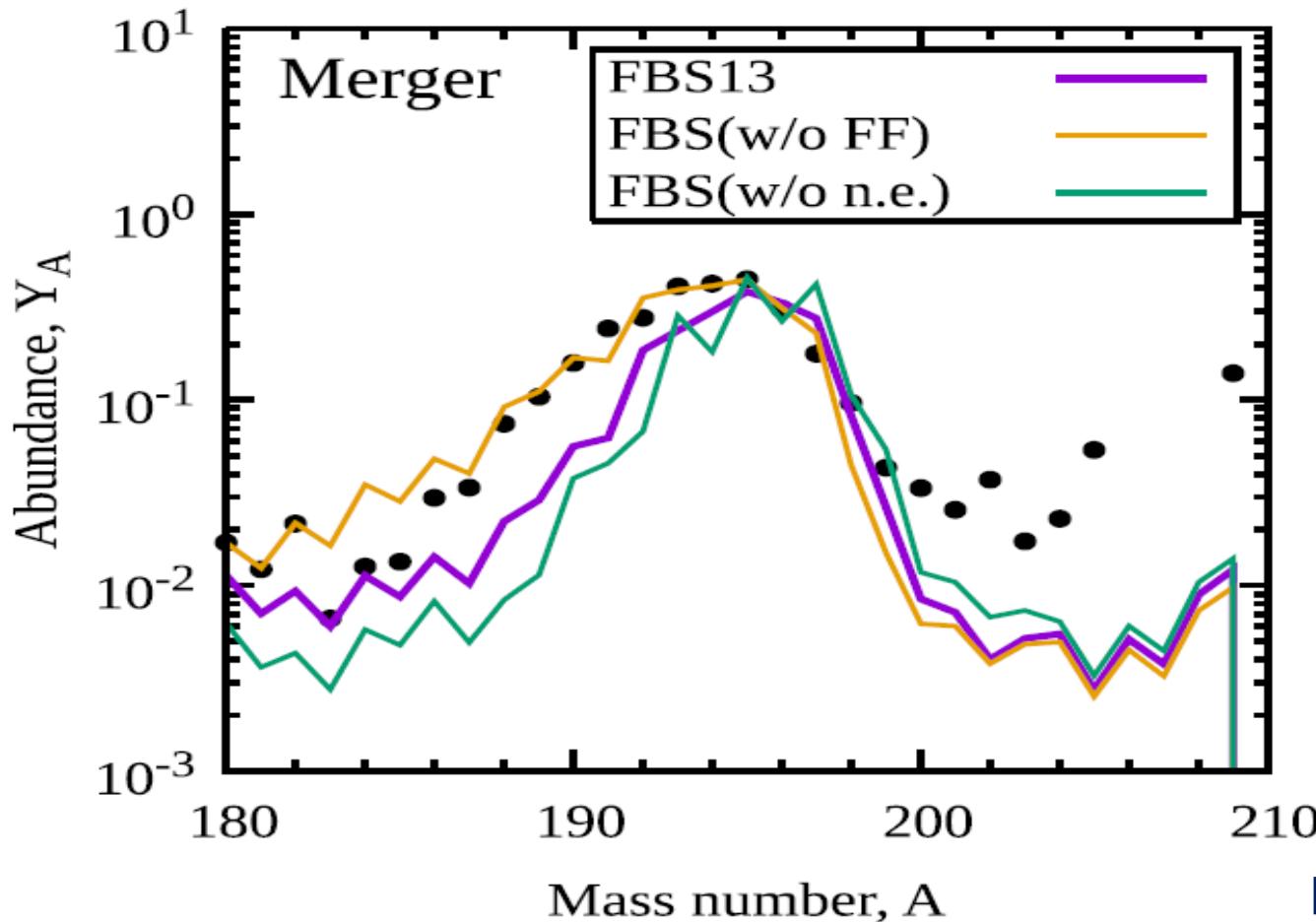
# FF contribution for N~126

X if  
 $\sum_{n=1}^3 nP_n > 1$



Structure from D.-L. Fang, B.A. Brown, T. Suzuki,  
Phys. Rev. C 88, 034304 (2013); astro: this work

# Impact of the first-forbidden $\beta$ decay on the A~195 r-process peak

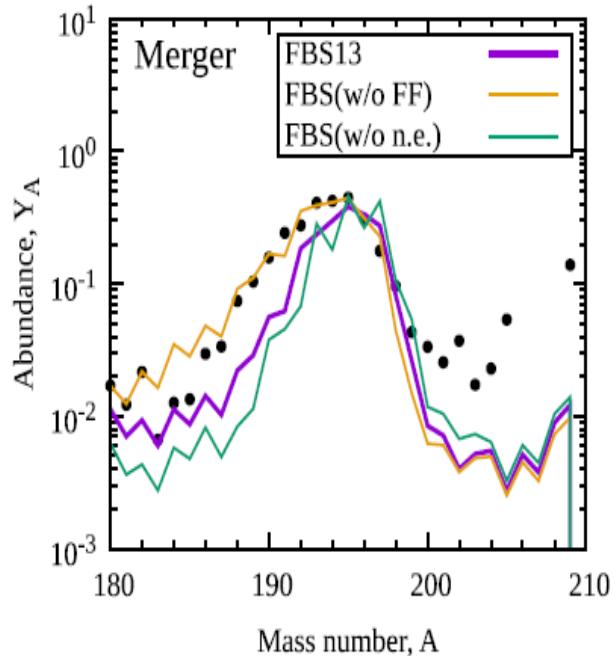
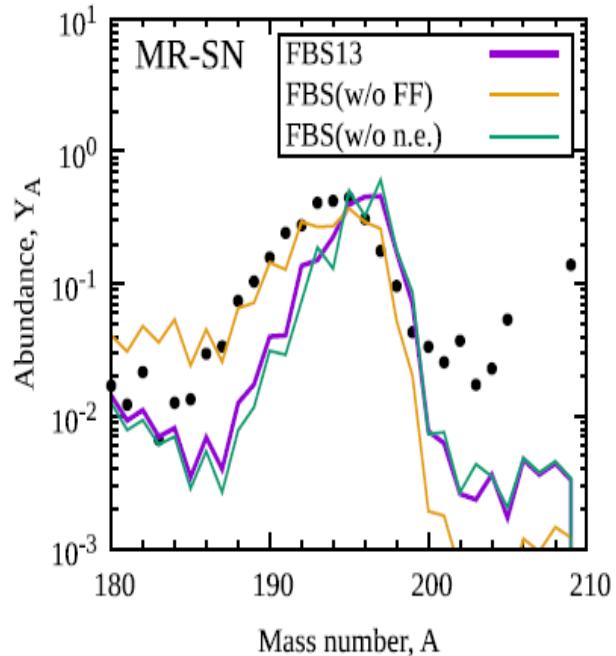
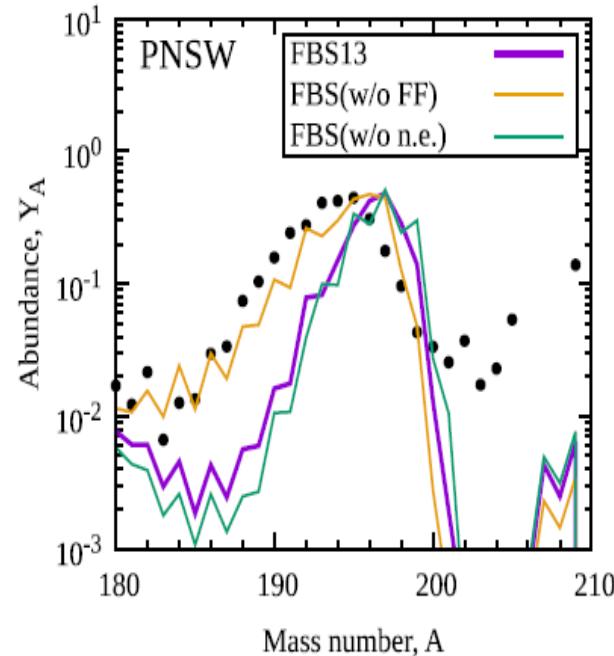


FF transitions:  
=>peak moves →

Neutron decay:  
⇒ Peak moves ←  
⇒ Peak smoother

Neutron-star merger

# Three different astrophysical scenarios



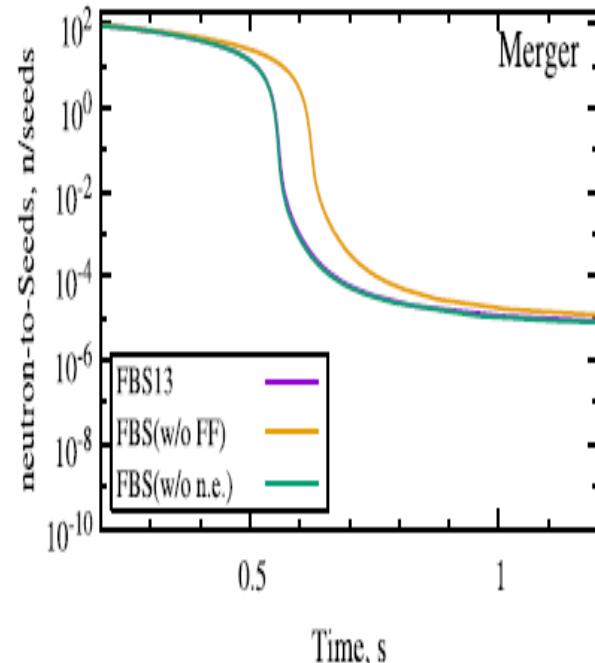
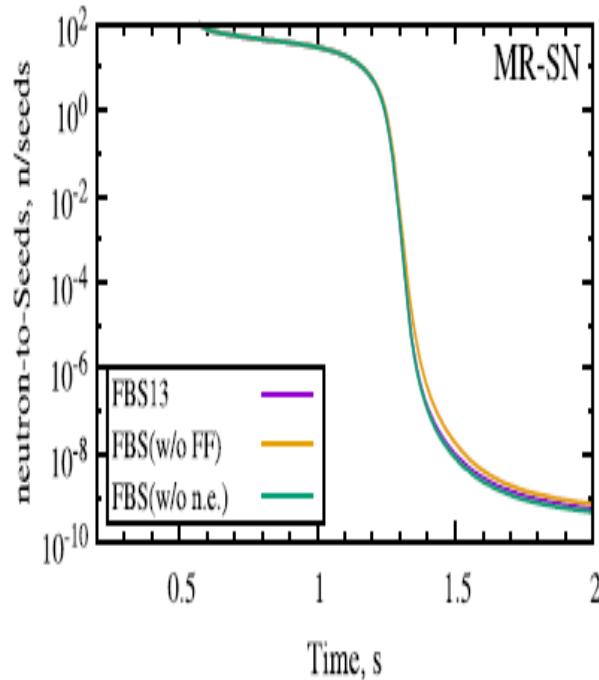
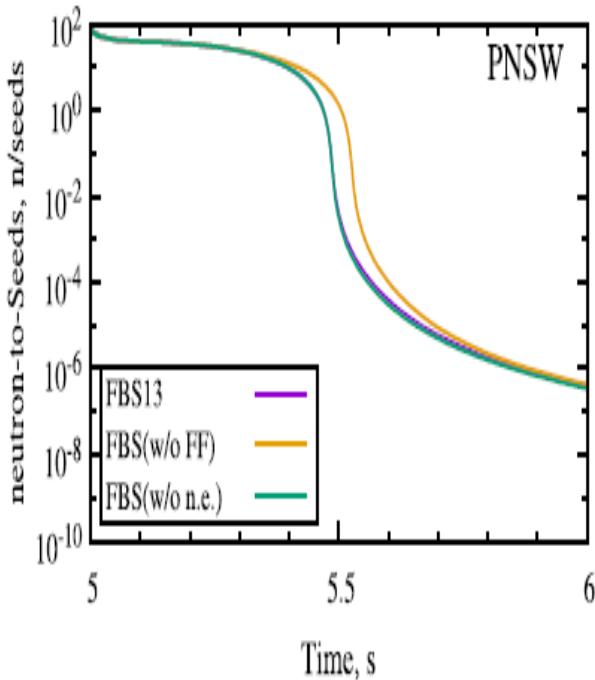
neutron richness →  
← entropy

Proto-neutron star wind

Magneto-rotational supernovae

Neutron-star merger

# Neutron-to-seed ratio



FF=> shorter  $T_{1/2}$  => shorter neutron capture phase  
 $\beta$ -delayed neutrons have small effect on neutron density

# Conclusions

- the first-forbidden beta decay shorten lifetimes  
=> abundance peak shifts to higher masses
  - $\beta$ -delayed neutron emission smooths the abundance distribution,  
shifts peak to lower masses and broadens it
- Qualitative differences, depending on astrophysical site

Impact of the first-forbidden  $\beta$  decay on the production of  $A \sim 195$   
 $r$ -process peak

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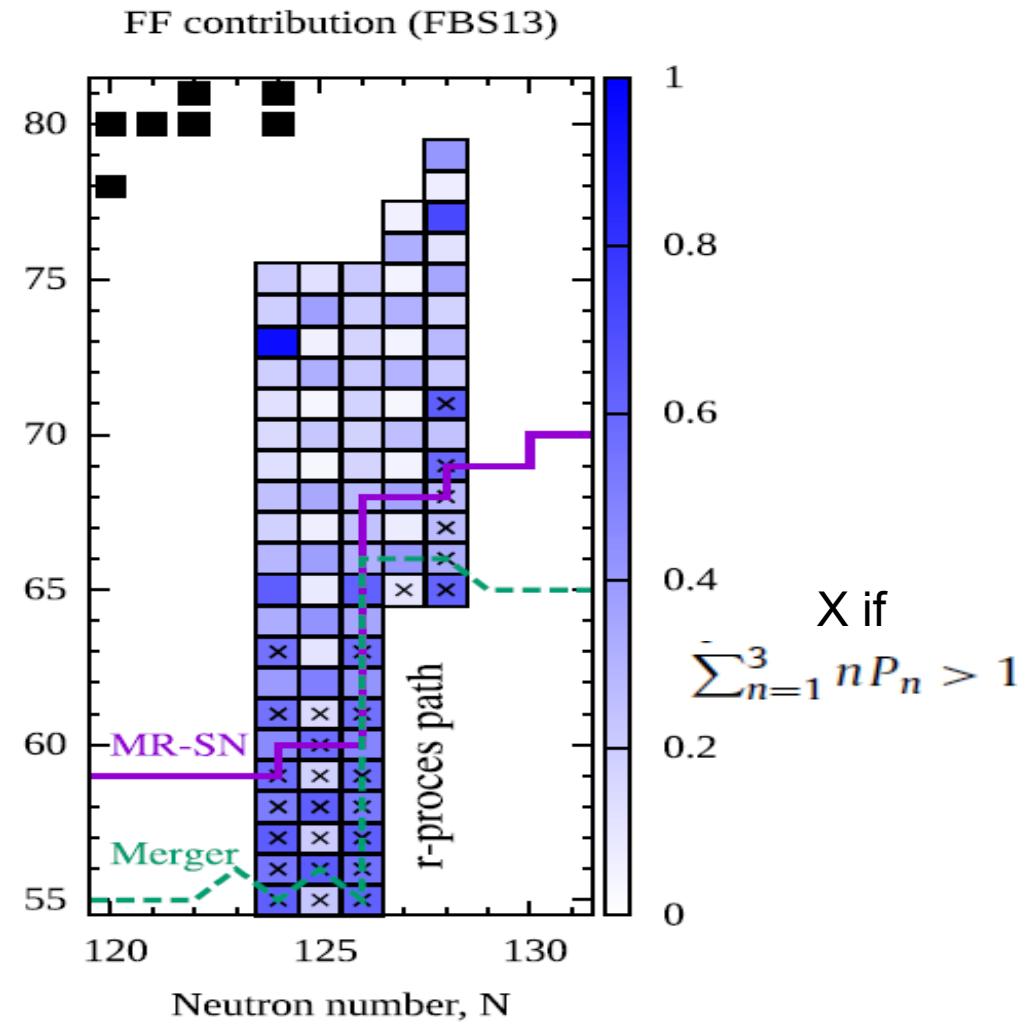
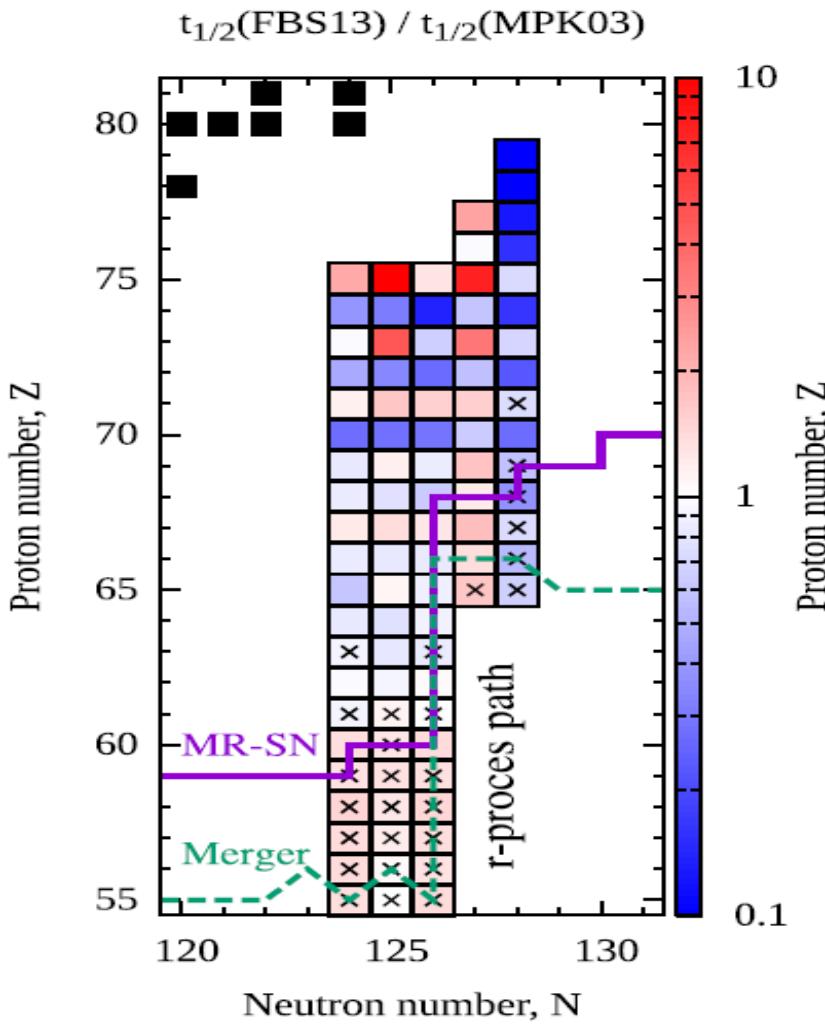
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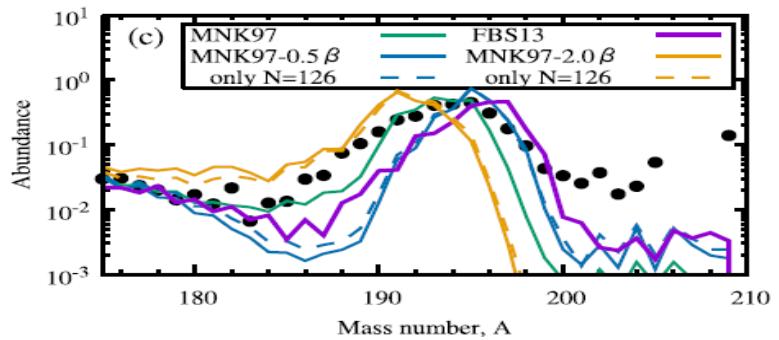
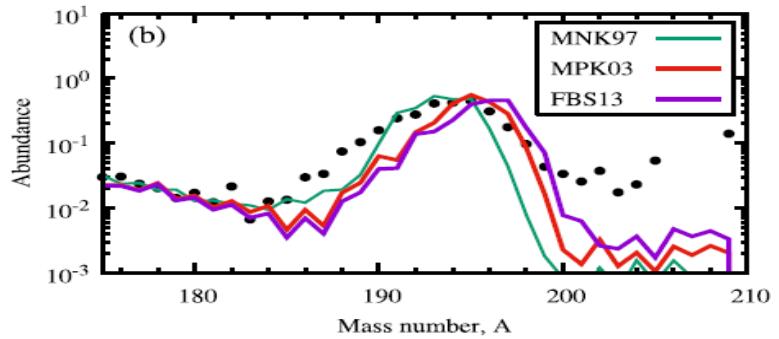
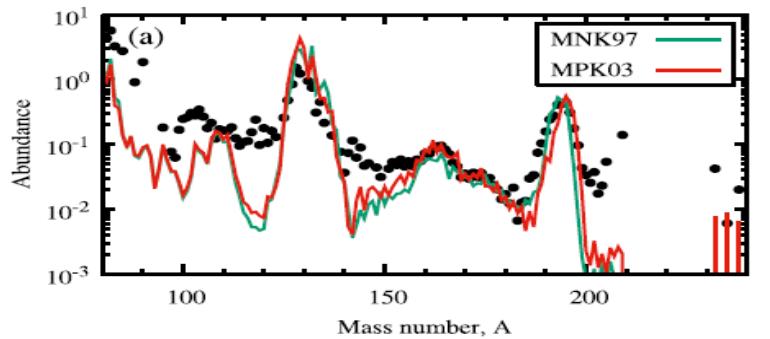
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forces as introduced in [17,18]. The advantage of this method is that with the  $G$  matrix obtained from the Bethe equations with realistic potentials fitted from the nucleon-nucleon scattering data, one can obtain the full spectrum for the ground as well as excited states of the odd-odd daughter nuclei. The full spectrum provides an exact treatment for the excitation energies which are missing in most other QRPA methods. The inclusion of states with more spin-parities also means that we can deal with the negative-parity FF transitions which are missing in some calculations [11,12].