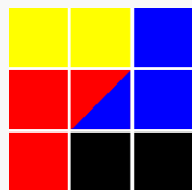


Emisja dwóch protonów jako granica spektroskopii jądrowej obraz całościowy

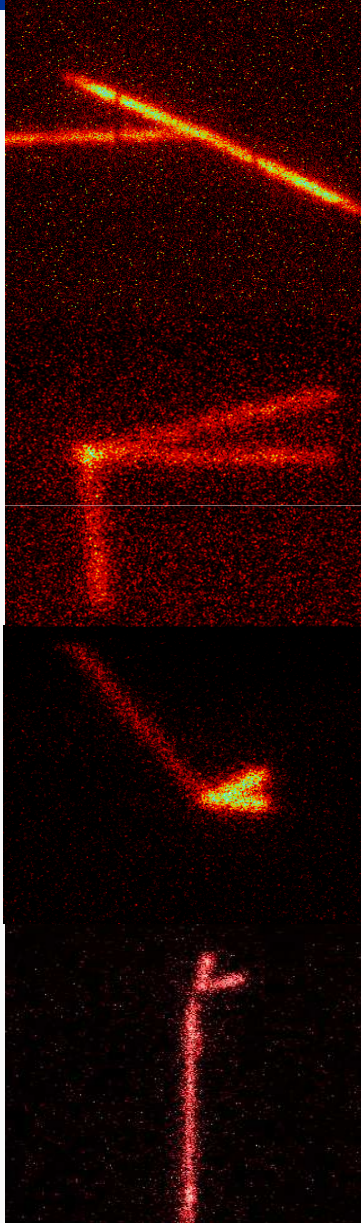
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Plan



- Mapa nuklidów i granice spektroskopii
- Emisja dwóch protonów (2p) – stan obecny
- Uprozczone modele emisji 2p
- Emisja równoczesna a sekwencyjna
- Globalne przewidywania
 - między cynkiem a telurem
 - między telurem a ołowiem

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Landscape of Two-Proton Radioactivity

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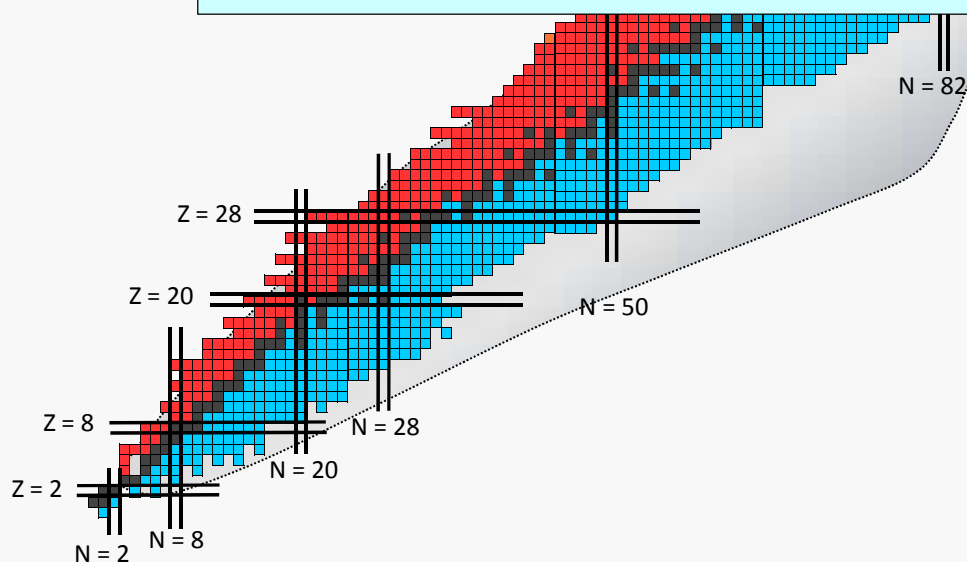
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The drip lines

- The **proton drip-line** is close and almost fully delineated. In most cases, however, it is „invisible” when we cross it. The decay spectroscopy may stretch far beyond it.

The questions: how far beyond the proton drip-line we have to go to see the difference? How far is the limit?



- The **neutron drip-line** is far from present experimental reach. It represents the real limit of decay spectroscopy – the region beyond, if accessible, is a domain of reactions.

Beyond the proton drip-line

Competition between two decay modes

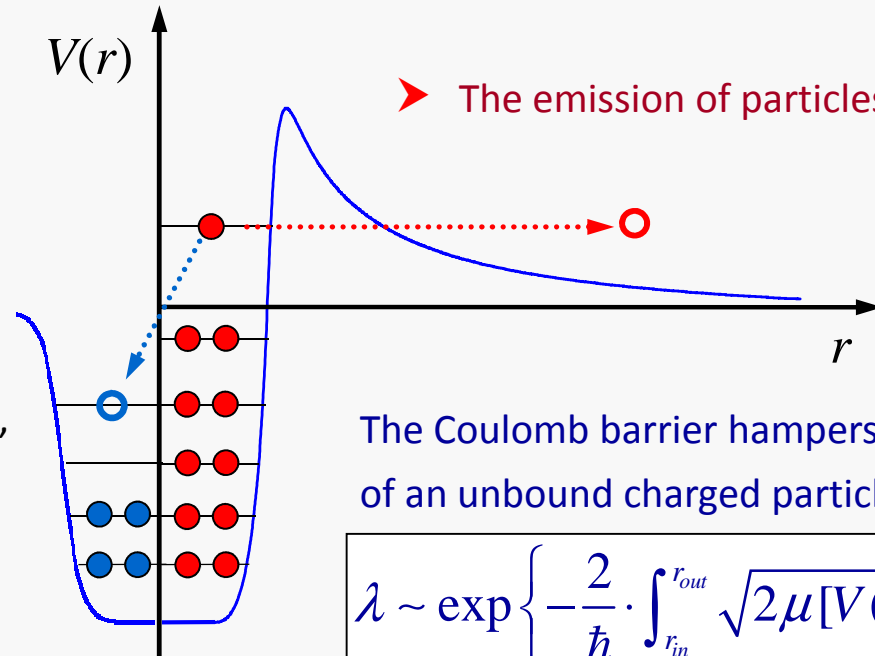
➤ The β^+ decay

Probability of transition:

$$\lambda \sim Q^5$$

Decay energy may be large,
but the weak interaction
is really weak

$$T_{1/2} > 1 \text{ ms}$$

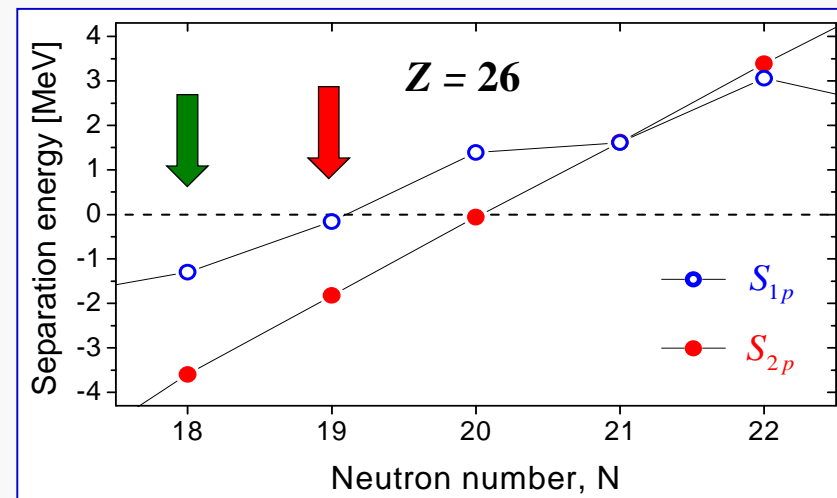
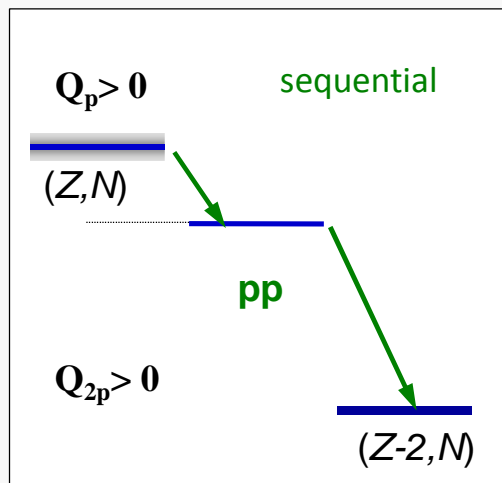
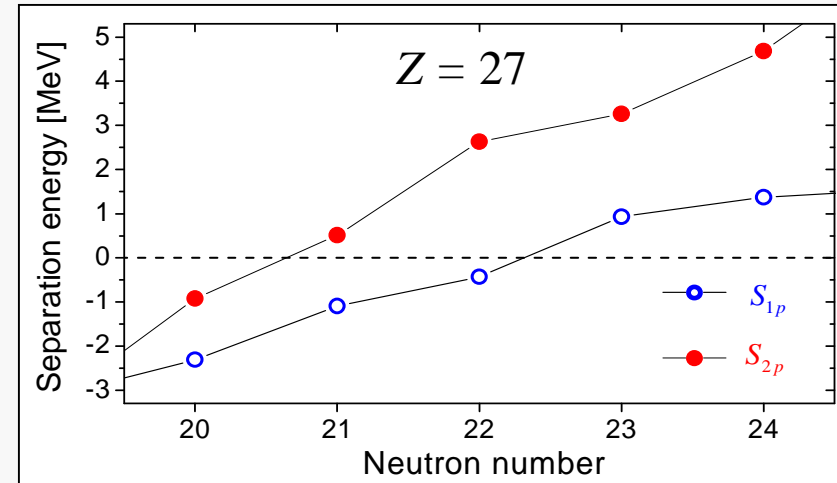
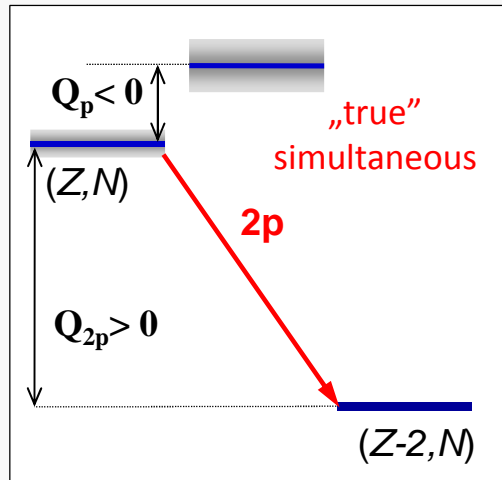


$$\lambda \sim \exp \left\{ -\frac{2}{\hbar} \cdot \int_{r_{in}}^{r_{out}} \sqrt{2\mu[V(r) - Q]} \cdot dr \right\}$$

➔ To find where the drip-line actually is and to predict which decay will happen,
we need: *a)* atomic masses, *b)* decay models

The answer for even Z

- The limit of „existence” for even-Z elements is determined by two-proton emission



V.I. Goldanskii, Nucl. Phys. 19 (60) 482

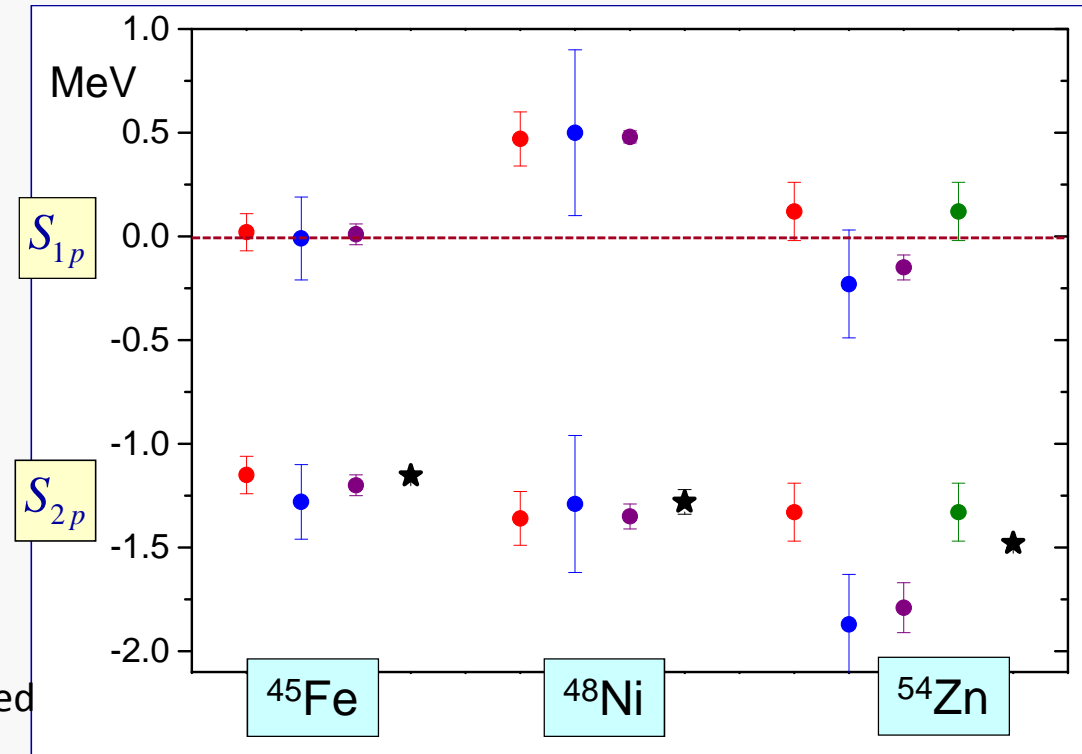
First 2p candidates

- Light and medium masses can be precisely predicted by a trick based on the IMME:

$$BE(T_z = -T) = BE(T_z = T) - 2bT$$

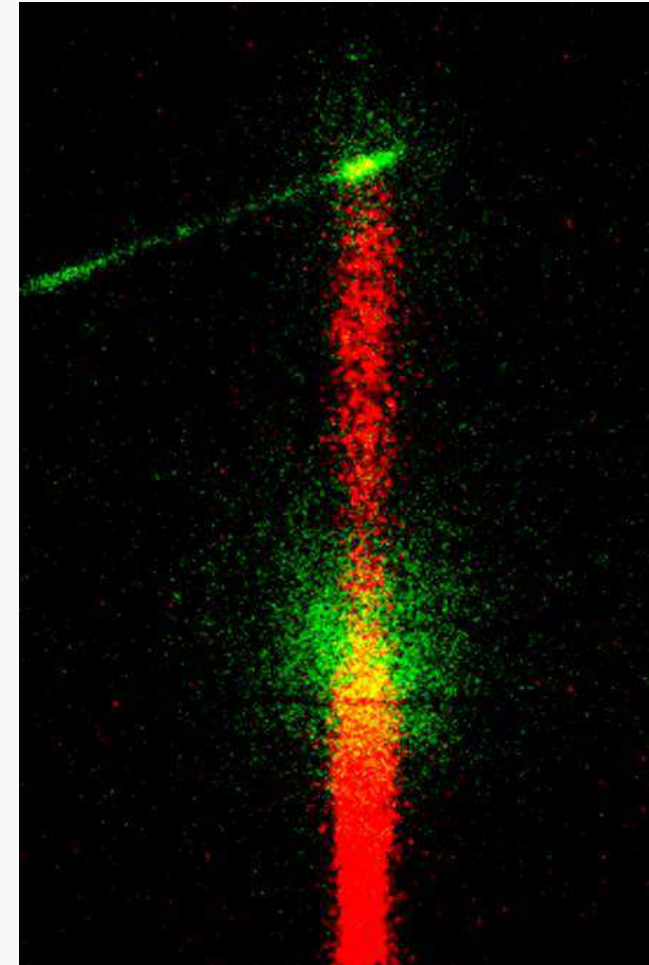
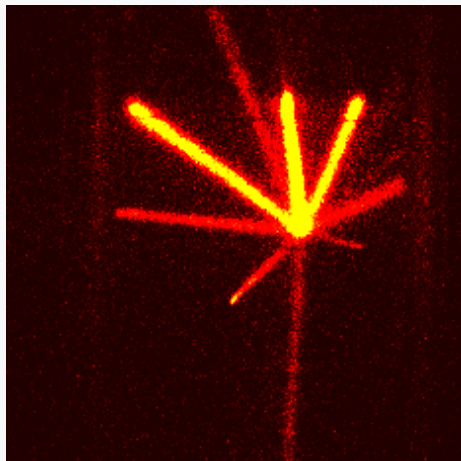
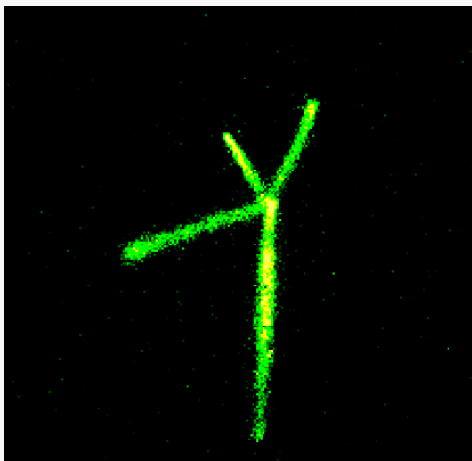
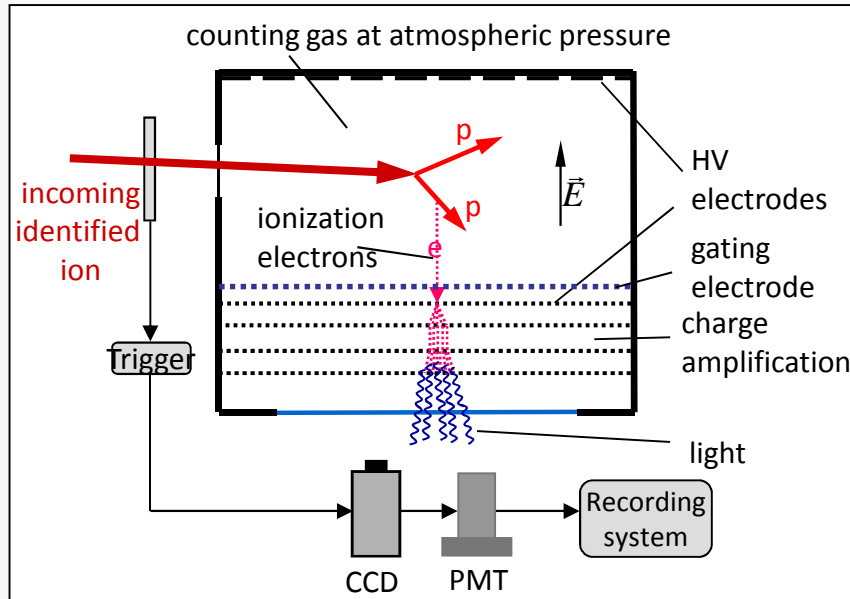
- Binding energy of the neutron-deficient nuclide is calculated from the **measured mass** of its neutron-rich analogue and from the calculated **coefficient b** (shell-model, systematics...)

Predicted 1p and 2p separation energies



- Brown, PRC 43 (91) R1513
- Ormand, PRC 55 (97) 2407
- Cole, PRC 54 (96) 1240
- Brown *et al.*, PRC 65 (02) 045802
- ★ exp

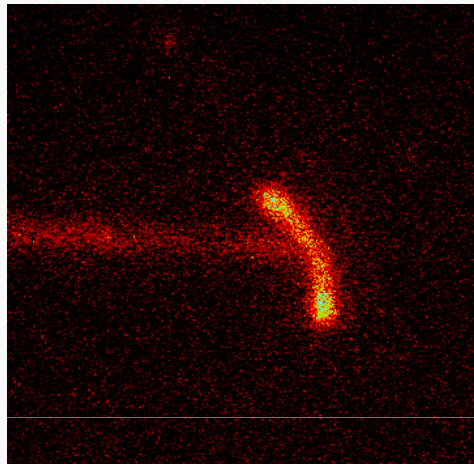
TPC with optical readout



→ Decay event ${}^6\text{He} \rightarrow \alpha + d$
seen on the background of
about 10^4 beta rays

Three cases around Z=28

^{45}Fe



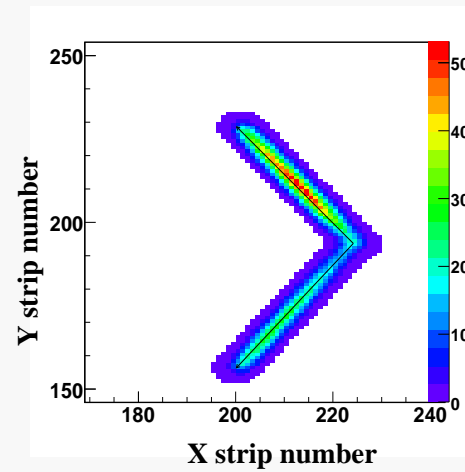
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^{48}Ni

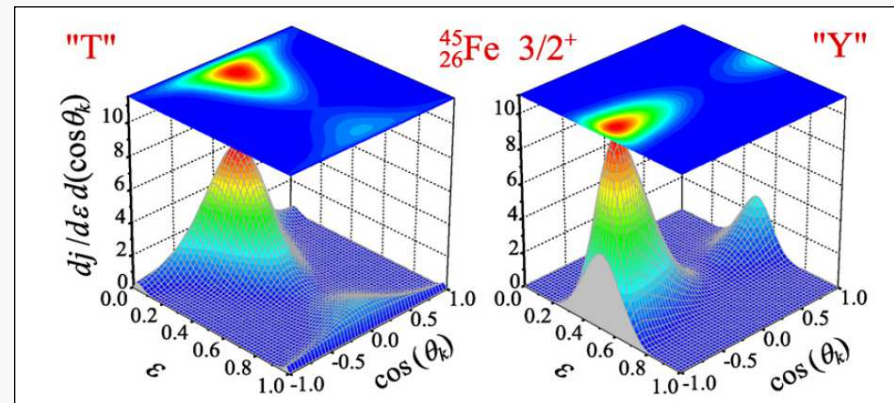
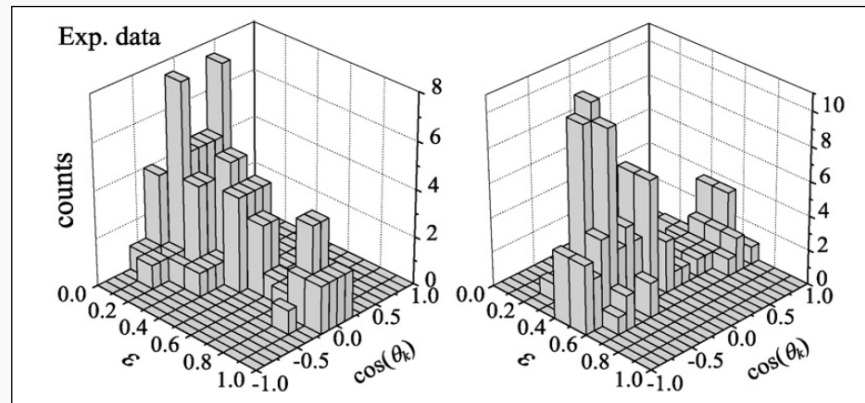


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^{54}Zn



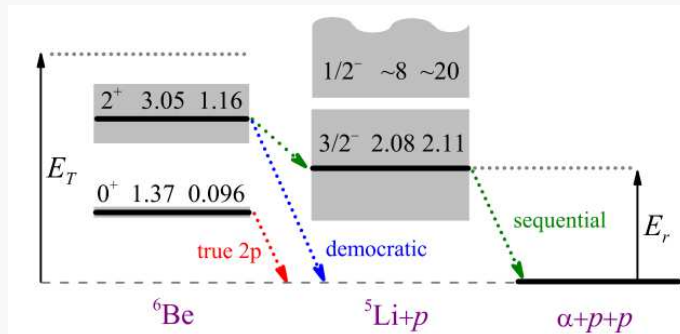
Ascher et al., PRL 107 (2011) 102502



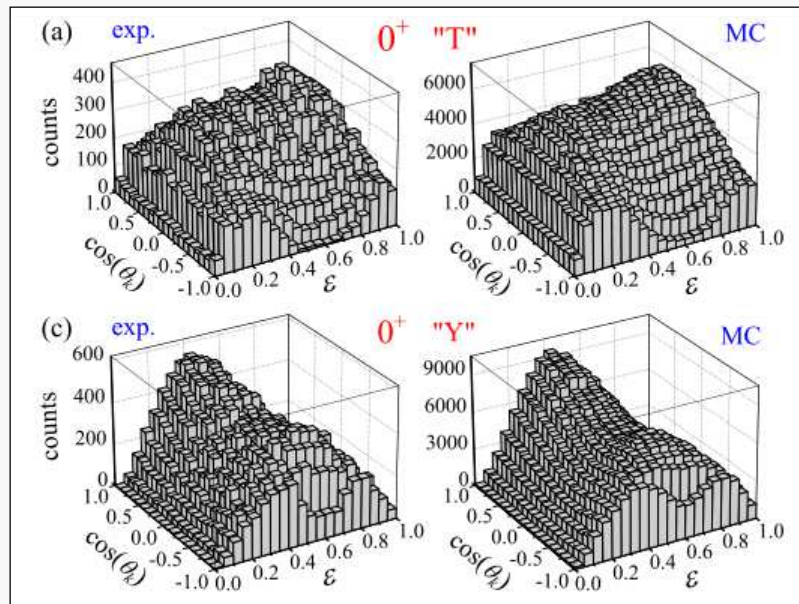
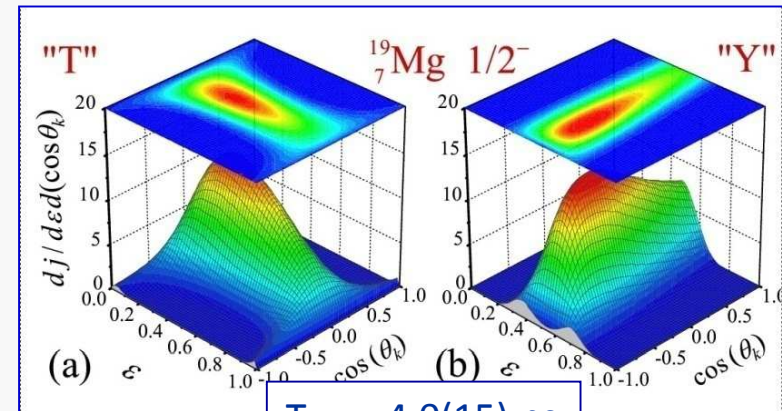
Grigorenko et al., PLB 677 (2009) 30

${}^6\text{Be}$ and ${}^{19}\text{Mg}$

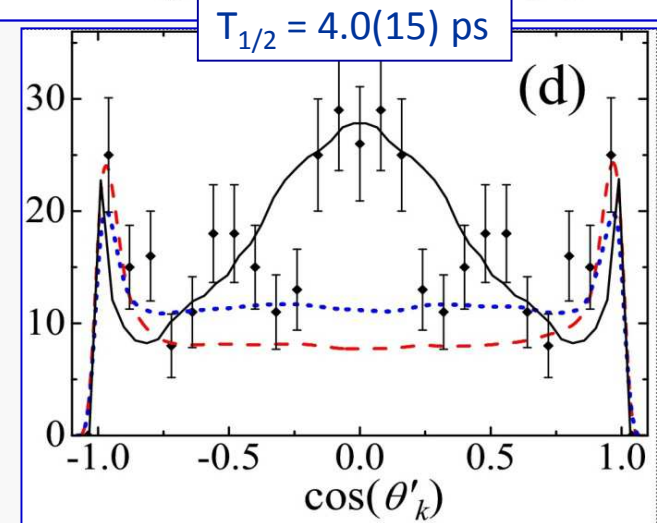
${}^7\text{Be} + \text{Be} \rightarrow {}^6\text{Be}$ @ NSCL



${}^{20}\text{Mg} + \text{Be} \rightarrow {}^{19}\text{Mg}$ @ GSI



Egorova *et al.*, PRL 109 (2012) 202502

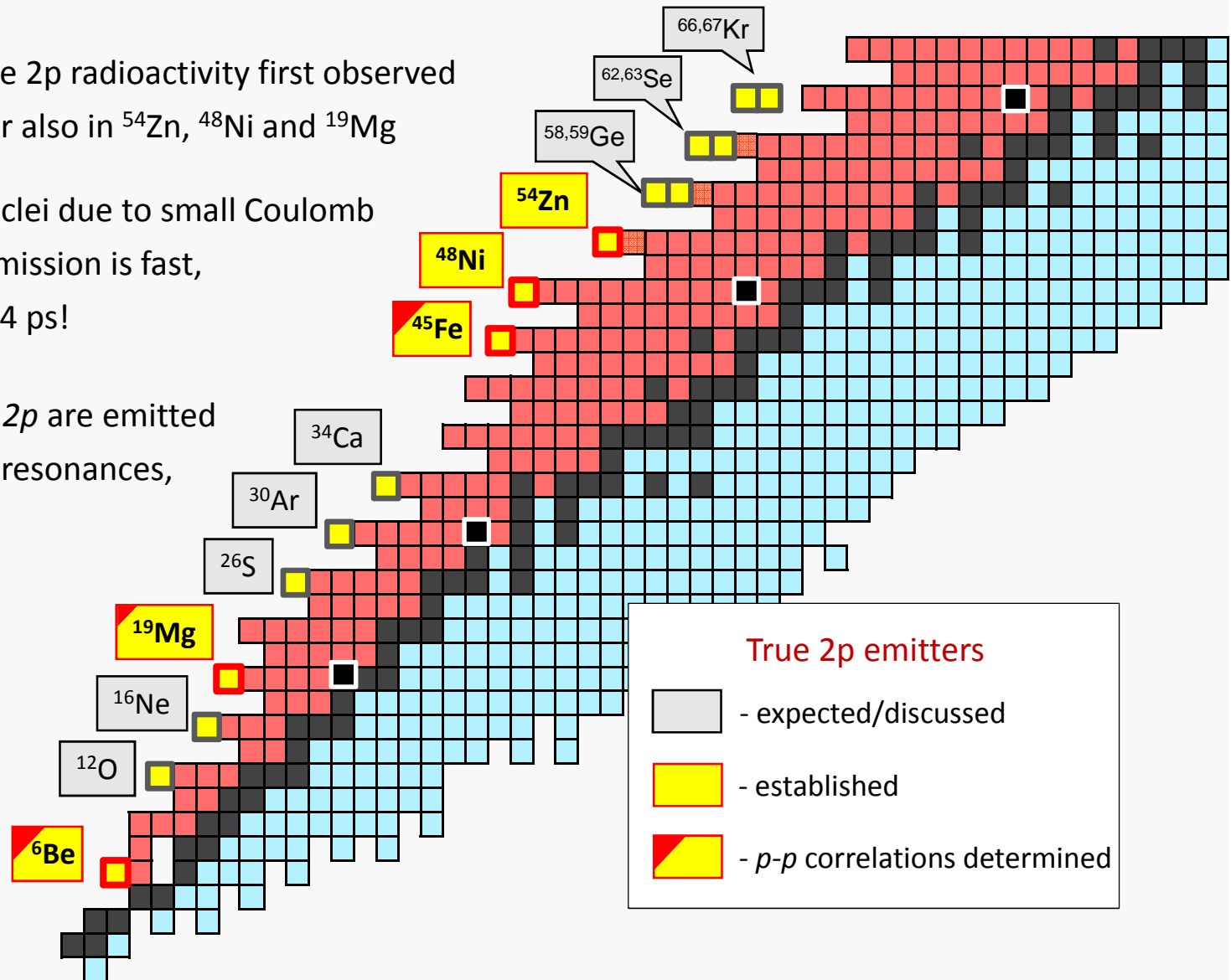


Mukha *et al.*, PRL 99 (2007) 182501

Mukha *et al.*, EPJA 42 (2009) 421

The current status of 2p emission

- Ground-state 2p radioactivity first observed in ^{45}Fe . Later also in ^{54}Zn , ^{48}Ni and ^{19}Mg
- In lighter nuclei due to small Coulomb barrier 2p emission is fast, $T_{1/2}(^{19}\text{Mg}) = 4 \text{ ps!}$
- Below ^{19}Mg 2p are emitted from broad resonances, like ^6Be



Heavier 2p candidates

- Proton drip-line calculations for the rp-process: the measured masses combined with the Coulomb displacement energies calculated by HF with the SkX Skyrme force

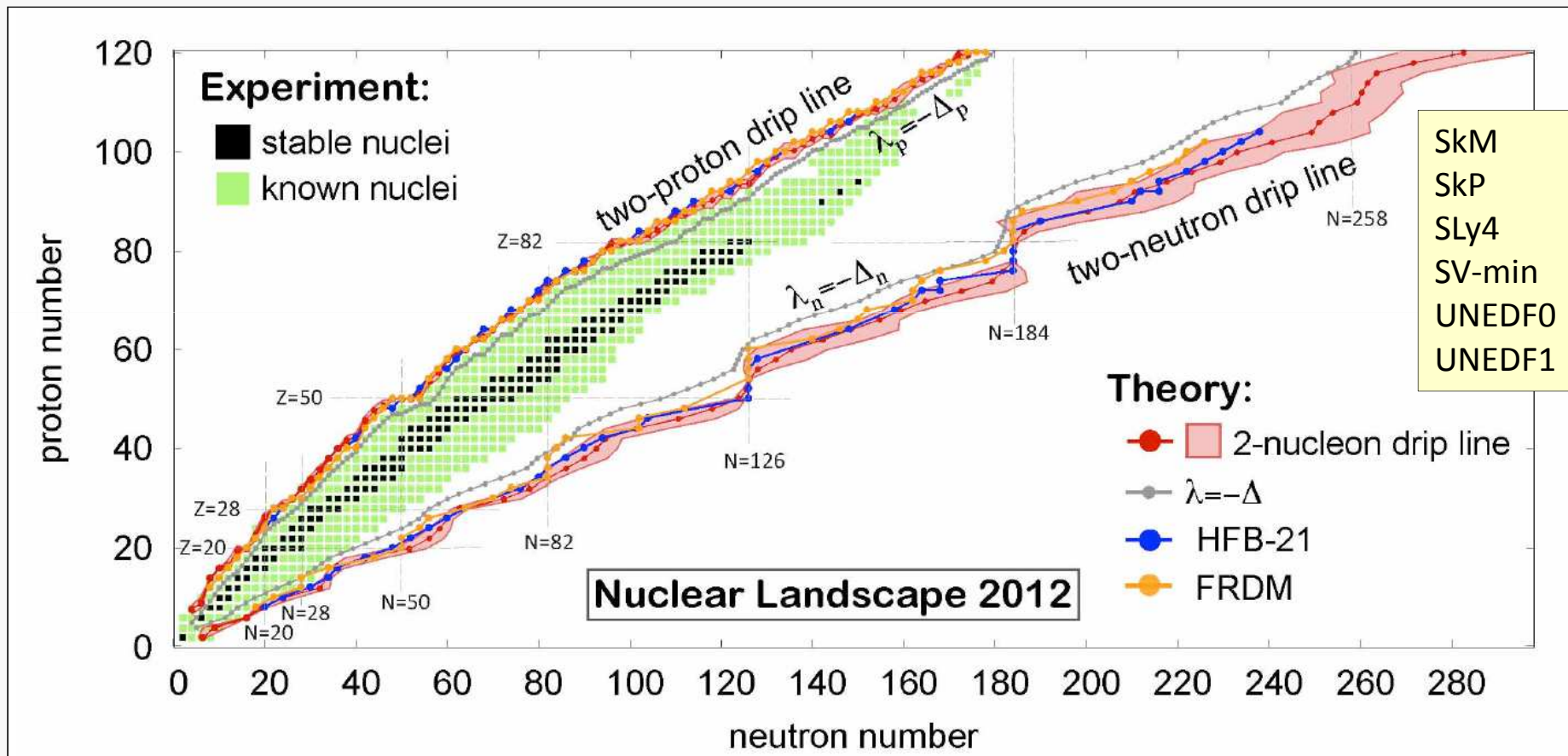
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|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | | | | | | | Sr 71 | Sr 72 | Sr 73 | Sr 74 | Sr 75 | Sr 76 | |
| | | | | | | | -0.02 (15) | 1.18 (15) | 0.87 (78) | 1.75 (70) | 2.21 (78) | 4.46 (30) | |
| | | | | | | | -2.06 (14) | -0.60 (19) | 0.99 (19) | 1.69 (21) | 1.90 (73) | | |
| | | | | | | | Rb 70 | Rb 71 | Rb 72 | Rb 73 | Rb 74 | | |
| | | | | | | | -2.04 (15) | -1.38 (64) | -0.69 (58) | -0.59 (55) | 2.13 (73) | | |
| | | | | | | | Kr 67 | Kr 68 | Kr 69 | Kr 70 | Kr 71 | Kr 72 | |
| | | | | | | | -0.05 (14) | 1.28 (14) | 0.70 (74) | 1.86 (51) | 1.80 (47) | 4.81 (40) | |
| | | | | | | | -1.76 (14) | -0.62 (14) | 1.11 (18) | 2.14 (19) | 1.81 (48) | | |
| | | | | | | | | | 0.40 (18) | 1.41 (34) | 4.39 (32) | | |
| | | | | | | | Br 64 | Br 65 | Br 66 | Br 67 | Br 68 | Br 69 | Br 70 |
| | | | | | | | -2.89 (14) | -2.85 (14) | -1.72 (14) | -1.63 (58) | -0.31 (57) | -0.45 (43) | 2.58 (37) |
| | | | | | | | -2.78 (14) | -1.74 (14) | -0.62 (14) | 0.54 (17) | -1.90 (14) | -0.71 (20) | -0.73 (32) |
| | | | | | | | | | | | 1.36 (25) | 4.06 (15) | |
| | | | | | | | Se 62 | Se 63 | Se 64 | Se 65 | Se 66 | Se 67 | Se 68 |
| | | | | | | | -0.10 (14) | 0.11 (14) | 1.11 (14) | 0.69 (70) | 1.96 (49) | 1.96 (28) | 4.79 (31) |
| | | | | | | | -2.76 (14) | -1.51 (14) | -0.29 (14) | 1.09 (14) | 2.43 (18) | 2.07 (25) | |
| | | | | | | | | | | 0.81 (17) | 2.00 (27) | 4.77 (17) | |
| | | | | | | | As 60 | As 61 | As 62 | As 63 | As 64 | As 65 | As 66 |
| | | | | | | | -3.31 (66) | -2.43 (64) | -1.48 (42) | -1.13 (52) | -0.10 (41) | -0.08 (46) | 2.70 (22) |
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| | | | | | | | -2.55 (14) | -1.60 (14) | -0.26 (14) | 1.13 (14) | 2.10 (10) | 4.59 (17) | |
| | | | | | | | Ge 58 | Ge 59 | Ge 60 | Ge 61 | Ge 62 | Ge 63 | Ge 64 |
| | | | | | | | -0.24 (41) | 0.30 (35) | 0.94 (29) | 1.02 (32) | 2.18 (24) | 2.20 (20) | 5.02 (27) |
| | | | | | | | -0.16 (14) | 0.19 (14) | 1.06 (14) | 1.35 (14) | 2.53 (14) | 2.38 (14) | |
| | | | | | | | -2.38 (14) | -1.16 (14) | 0.09 (14) | 1.42 (14) | 2.77 (10) | 5.33 (14) | |
| | | | | | | | Ga 56 | Ga 57 | Ga 58 | Ga 59 | Ga 60 | Ga 61 | Ga 62 |
| | | | | | | | -2.89 (36) | -2.54 (37) | -1.41 (26) | -0.88 (18) | 0.03 (12) | 0.45 (20) | 2.94 (3) |
| | | | | | | | -2.63 (14) | -2.22 (14) | -1.35 (14) | -0.97 (14) | 0.07 (14) | 0.24 (10) | |
| | | | | | | | -1.99 (14) | -0.79 (14) | 0.19 (14) | 1.36 (14) | 2.92 (10) | 5.36 (10) | |
| | | | | | | | Zn 54 | Zn 55 | Zn 56 | Zn 57 | Zn 58 | Zn 59 | Zn 60 |
| | | | | | | | 0.40 (48) | 0.52 (33) | 1.39 (40) | 1.37 (20) | 2.28 (5) | 2.89 (4) | 5.12 (1) |
| | | | | | | | 0.12 (14) | 0.63 (14) | 1.43 (14) | 1.54 (14) | 2.33 (14) | 2.85 (10) | |
| | | | | | | | -1.33 (14) | 0.13 (14) | 1.25 (14) | 1.25 (14) | 3.02 (10) | 5.72 (10) | |
| | | | | | | | Cu 53 | Cu 54 | Cu 55 | Cu 56 | Cu 57 | Cu 58 | |
| | | | | | | | -1.90 (27) | -0.40 (27) | -0.29 (30) | 0.56 (14) | 0.69 (2) | 2.87 (0) | |
| | | | | | | | -1.45 (14) | -0.50 (14) | -0.18 (14) | 0.56 (14) | 0.69 (10) | | |
| | | | | | | | 1.26 (14) | 2.20 (14) | 3.83 (14) | 5.26 (10) | 7.86 (10) | | |

Strontium (Z=38) is the heaviest element for which the precise Q_{2p} predictions were made

Brown et al., PRC 65 (2002) 045802

Nuclear landscape

➤ Global mass predictions using density functional theory with **6 different Skyrme interactions**

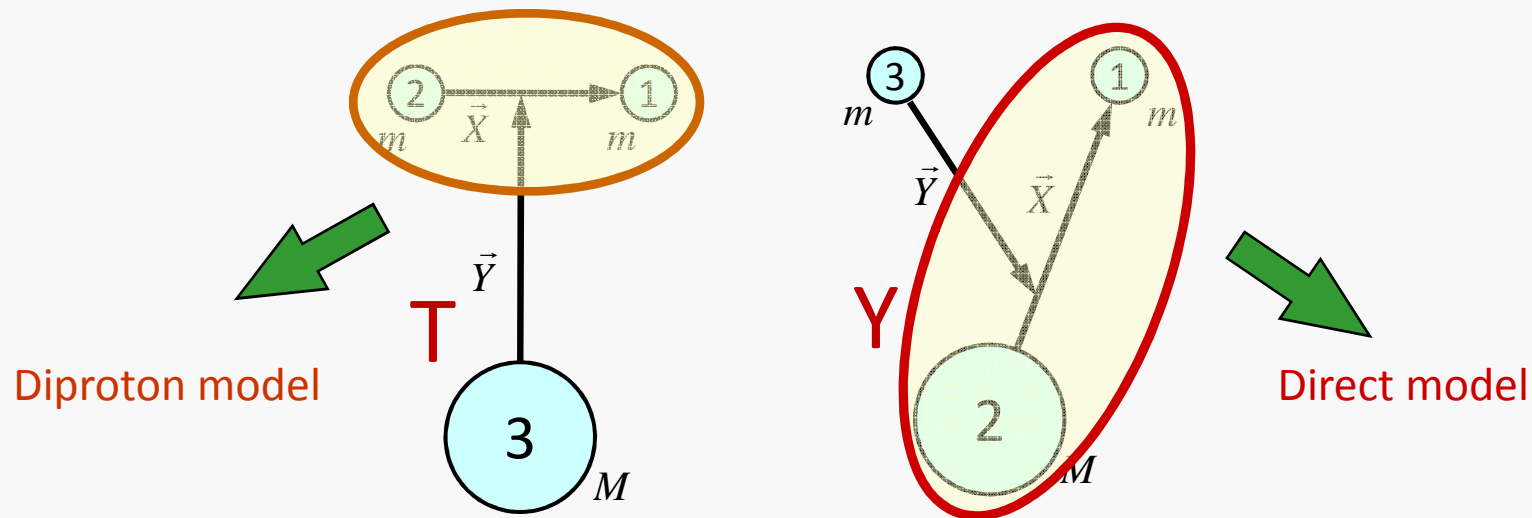


➔ There are 6900 ± 500 nuclei bound with $Z \leq 120$

Erler et al., Nature 486 (2012) 509

Simplified models

- By simplifying interactions describing the $core+p+p$ system, the three-body decay can be reduced to the combination of two-body processes. With the simplified Hamiltonian, the problem can be solved exactly.
- ➔ Two types of approximations are considered:



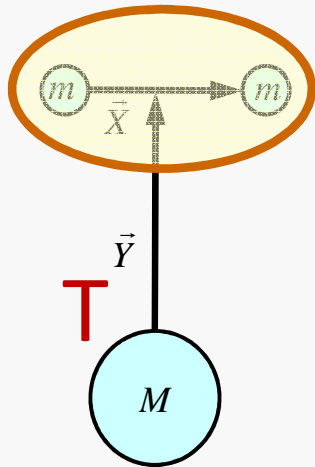
- The simplified models are very useful to estimate decay rates and to verify numerical procedures used in the full three-body model.

Diproton model

► Jacobi T system → **diproton model**

The WKB approximation

$$\Gamma_{2p,dipr} = \theta_{dipr}^2 \mathcal{N} \frac{\hbar^2}{4\mu} \exp \left[-2 \int_{r_2}^{r_3} k(r) dr \right] \quad T_{1/2} = \frac{\ln 2 \hbar}{\Gamma}$$



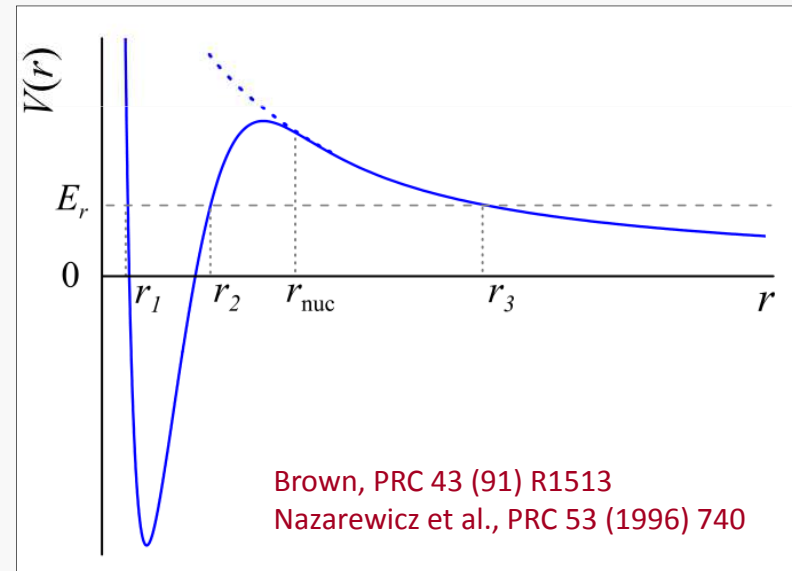
$$\mathcal{N} \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \frac{dr}{2k(r)} = 1$$

$$k(r) = \sqrt{2\mu |E_T - 2V_p(r)|} / \hbar$$

$$\theta_{dipr}^2 = \frac{(2n)!}{2^{2n} (n!)^2} \left[\frac{A}{A-2} \right]^{2n} \mathcal{O}^2$$

$$n \approx (3Z)^{1/3} - 1$$

$$\mathcal{O}^2 = \left| \langle \psi_f | \psi_{2p} | \psi_i \rangle \right|^2$$



The value of cluster overlap determined from the known half-lives of 2p emitters: ^{19}Mg , ^{45}Fe , ^{48}Ni , and ^{54}Zn

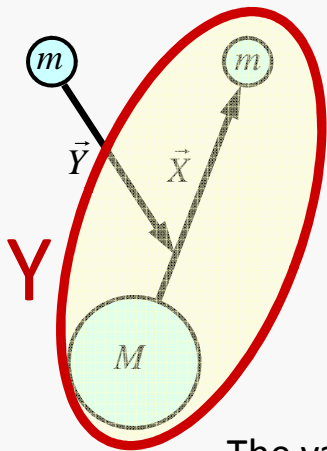


$$\mathcal{O}^2 = 0.015$$

Direct model

► Jacobi Y system → **direct model**

$$\Gamma_{2p,dir} = \frac{Q_{2p}}{2\pi} (Q_{2p} - 2E_p)^2 \int_0^1 d\varepsilon \frac{\Gamma_x(\varepsilon Q_{2p})}{(\varepsilon Q_{2p} - E_p)^2 + \Gamma_x(\varepsilon Q_{2p})^2/4} \times \frac{\Gamma_y((1-\varepsilon)Q_{2p})}{((1-\varepsilon)Q_{2p} - E_p)^2 + \Gamma_y((1-\varepsilon)Q_{2p})^2/4}$$



Γ_i is the width of the two-body subsystem: $\Gamma_i(E) = 2\gamma_i^2 P_{l_p}(E, R, Z_i)$

penetrability:
$$P_{l_p}(E, R, Z_i) = \frac{kR}{F_{l_p}^2(\eta, kR) + G_{l_p}^2(\eta, kR)}$$

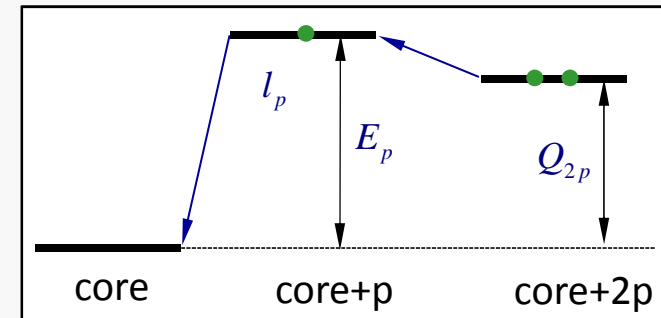
reduced width:
$$\gamma_i^2 = \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu_i R^2} \theta_i^2$$

The value of spectroscopic factor determined from the experimental half-lives of known 2p emitters:

^{19}Mg , ^{45}Fe , ^{48}Ni , and ^{54}Zn ,

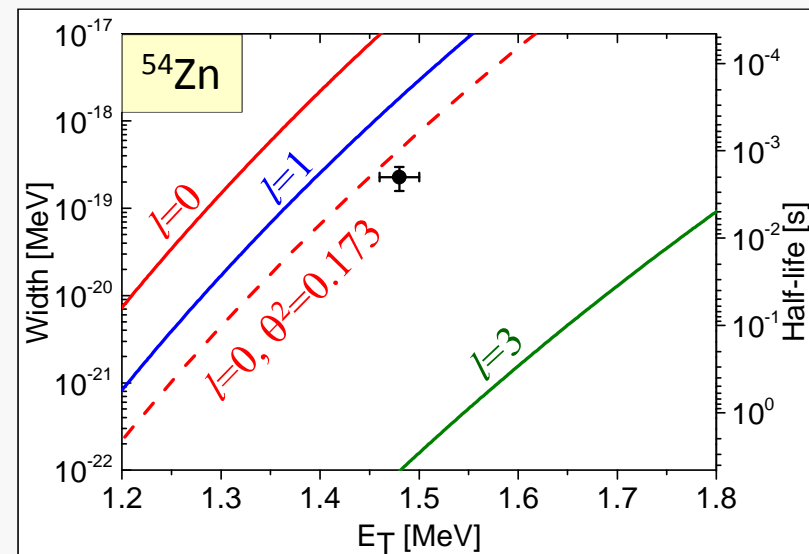
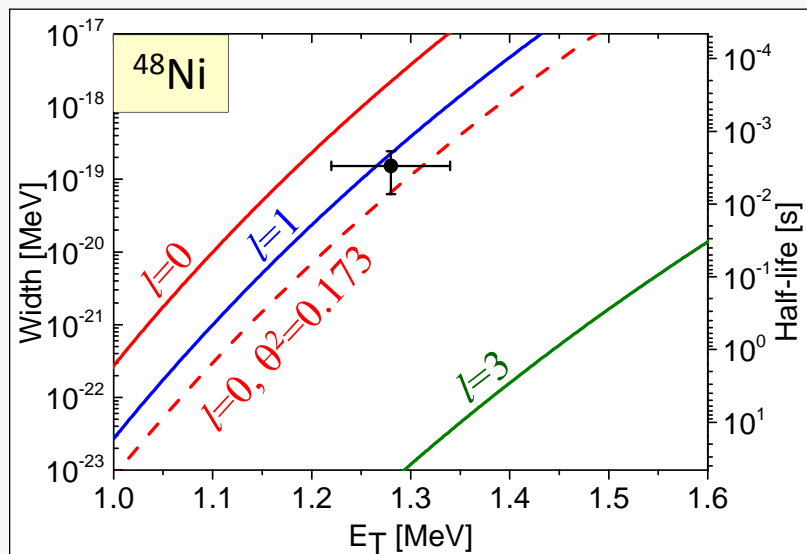
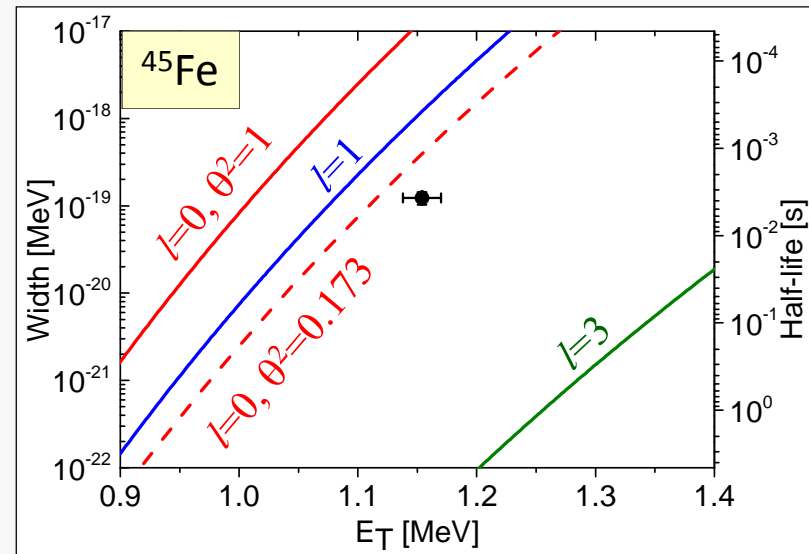
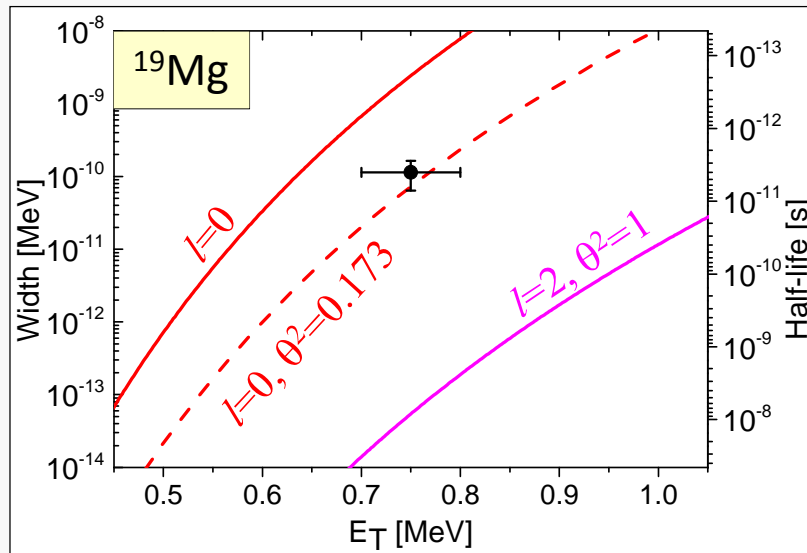
assuming $l_p = 0$

→
$$\theta_x^2 = \theta_y^2 = 0.173$$



Grigorenko and Zhukov, PRC 76 (07) 014009
M.P. et al, RMP (2012) 567

Direct model for known 2p emitters



2p-emission half-lives

Direct model

$$\Gamma_{2p,dir} \cong \frac{8Q_{2p}}{\pi(Q_{2p} - 2E_p)^2} \int_0^1 d\varepsilon \Gamma_x(\varepsilon Q_{2p}) \Gamma_y((1-\varepsilon)Q_{2p})$$

Diproton model

$$\Gamma_{2p,dipr} = \theta_{dipr}^2 \mathcal{N} \frac{\hbar^2}{4\mu} \exp\left[-2 \int_{r_{in}}^{r_{out}} k(r) dr\right]$$

► The comparison of predicted half-lives with experiment

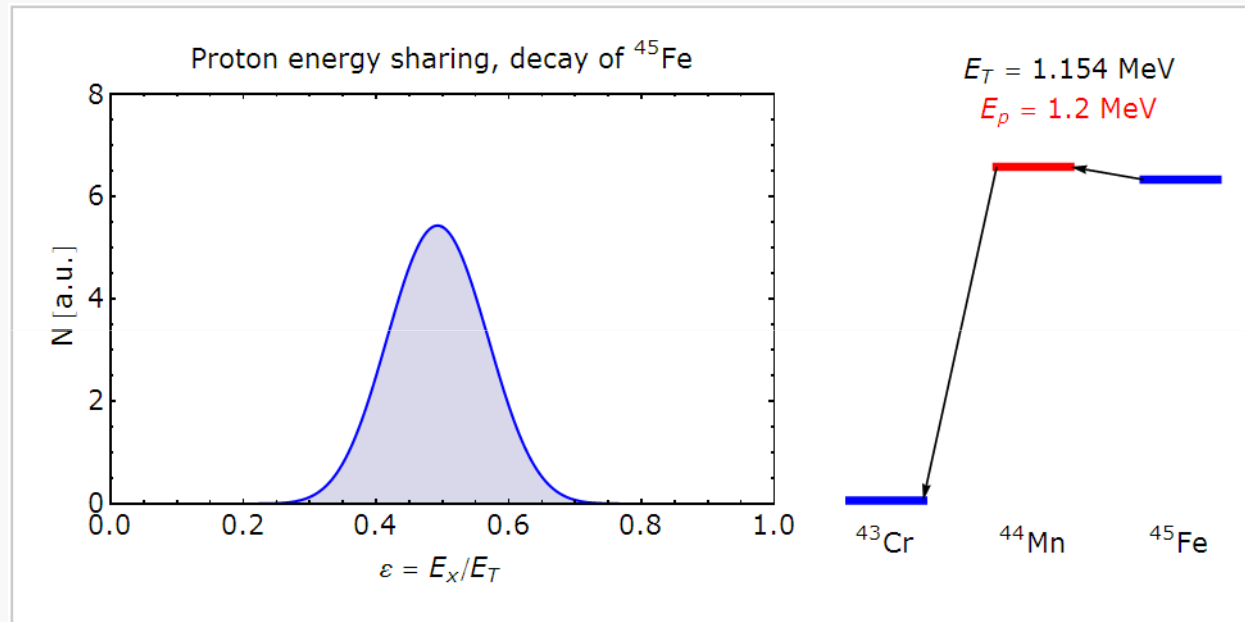
$$T_{1/2} = \frac{\ln 2 \hbar}{\Gamma}$$

$$l_p = 0$$

| Nucleus | Experiment | Direct | Diproton |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|--------|----------|
| ^{19}Mg [7] | 4.0(15) ps | 6.2 ps | 12.3 ps |
| ^{45}Fe [10] | 3.7(4) ms | 1.1 ms | 8.7 ms |
| ^{48}Ni [8] | $3.0^{+2.2}_{-1.2}$ ms | 6.8 ms | 5.3 ms |
| ^{54}Zn [9] | $1.98^{+0.73}_{-0.41}$ ms | 1.0 ms | 0.8 ms |

Simultaneous vs. sequential

- In the direct model we can investigate how the proton's energy spectrum depends on the position of the intermediate state

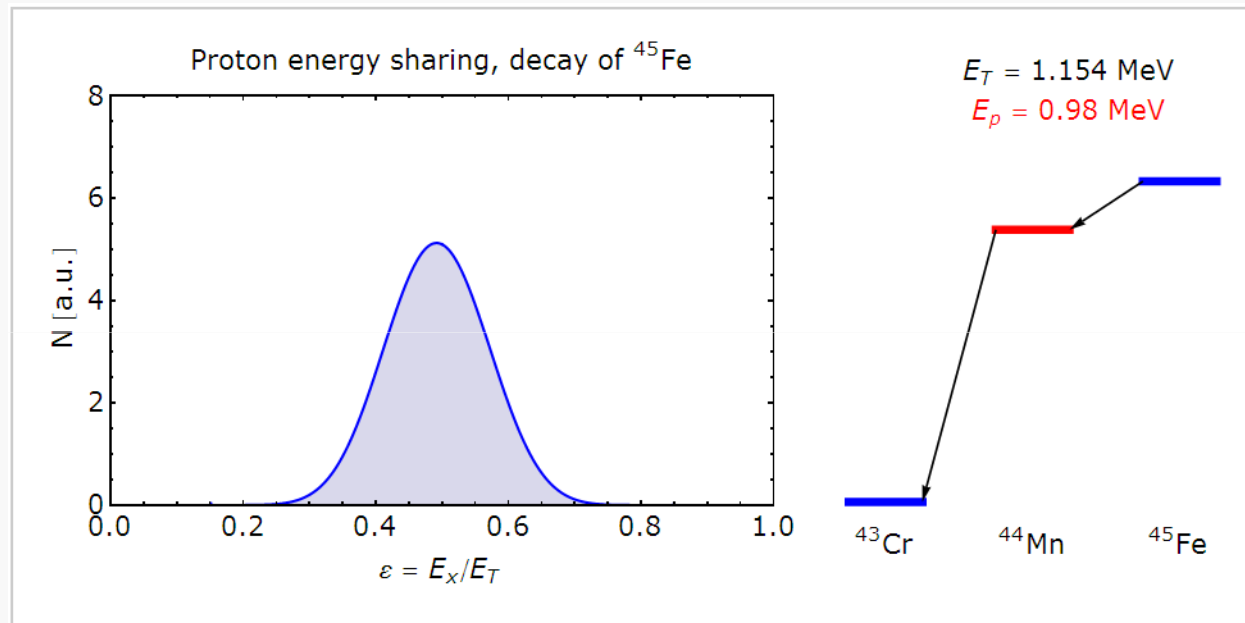


$$Q_{2p} = 1.15 \text{ MeV}, Q_{1p} = -0.05 \text{ MeV}$$

➡ True 2p decay (simultaneous)

Simultaneous vs. sequential

- In the direct model we can investigate how the proton's energy spectrum depends on the position of the intermediate state

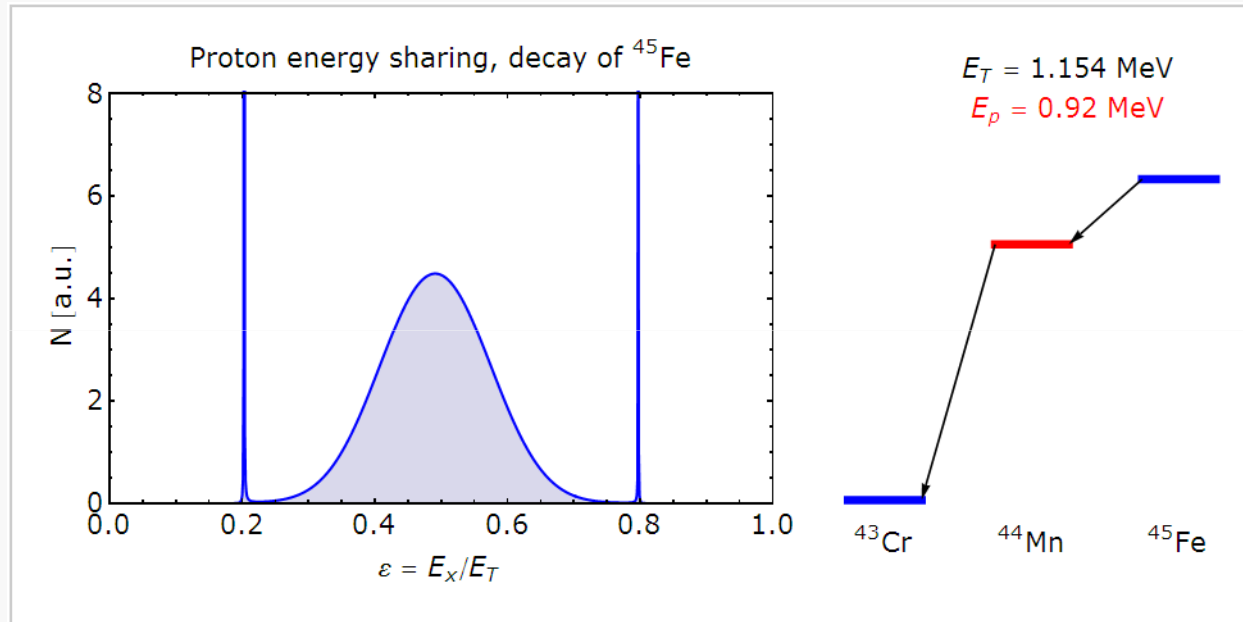


$$Q_{2p} = 1.15 \text{ MeV}, Q_{1p} = 0.17 \text{ MeV}$$

➡ Still simultaneous 2p!

Simultaneous vs. sequential

- In the direct model we can investigate how the proton's energy spectrum depends on the position of the intermediate state

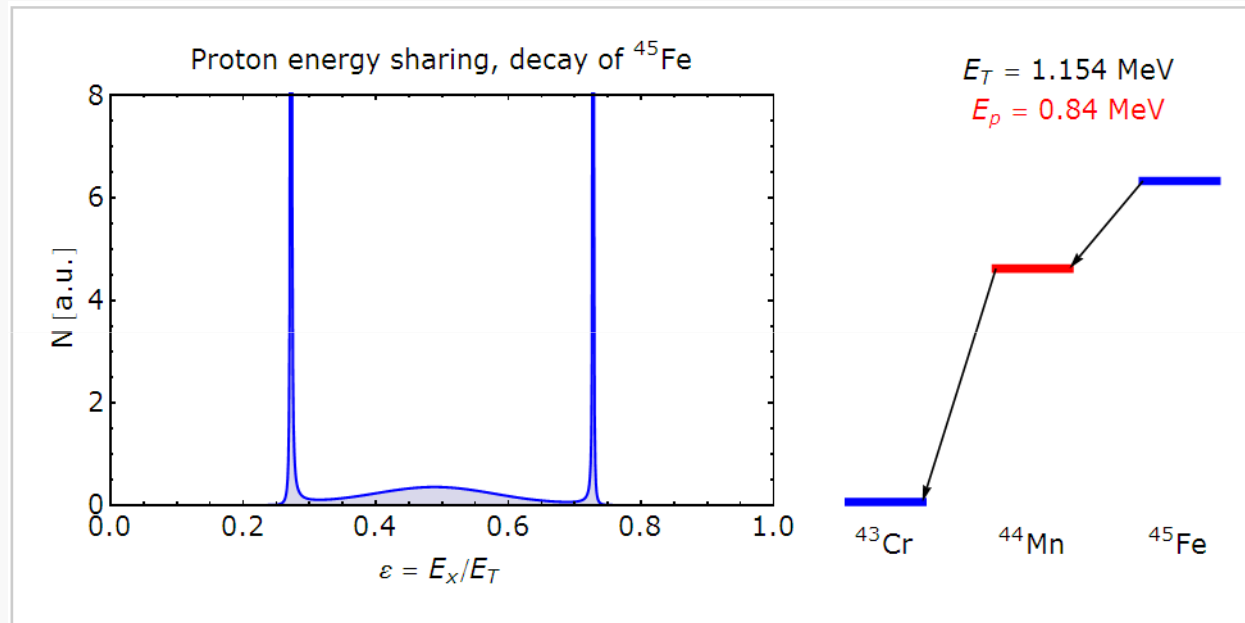


$$Q_{2p} = 1.15 \text{ MeV}, Q_{1p} = 0.23 \text{ MeV}$$

➔ Sequential emission shows up!
Simultaneous component still visible.

Simultaneous vs. sequential

- In the direct model we can investigate how the proton's energy spectrum depends on the position of the intermediate state



$$Q_{2p} = 1.15 \text{ MeV}, Q_{1p} = 0.31 \text{ MeV}$$

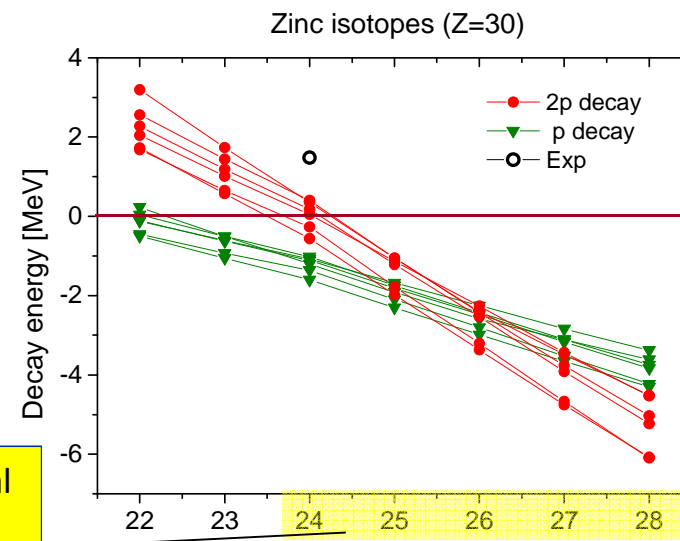
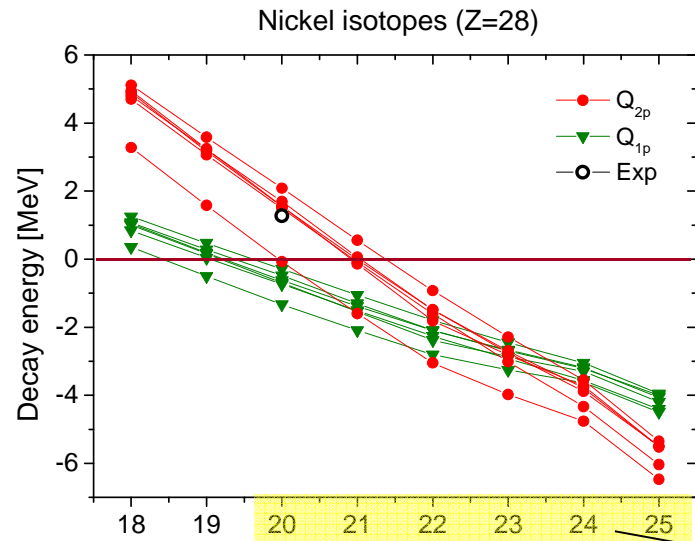
➔ Sequential 2p emission dominates

➔ Rough criterion: for $Q_p < 0.2 Q_{2p}$ true, simultaneous 2p decay
for $Q_p > 0.2 Q_{2p}$ sequential 2p emission

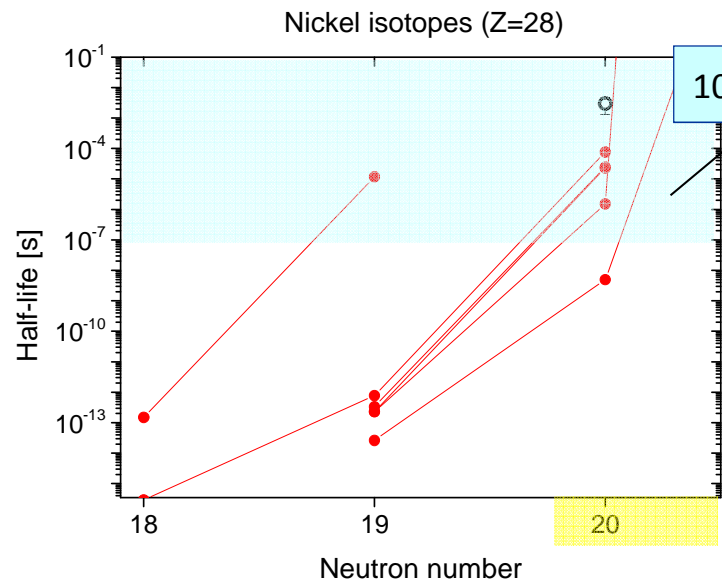
Predictions

- **Nuclear binding energies:** deformed DFT with six effective Skyrme interaction plus density-dependent zero-range pairing term (Erler et al., *Nature* 486 (2012) 509)
- **The half-lives for 2p emission:** estimated with the direct and diproton models. The α decay half-lives calculated using global, phenomenological formula by Koura, J. *Nucl. Science and Tech.* 49 (2012) 816
- **The adopted decay-time criterion (arbitrary):**
we consider a nucleus to be a **2p decay candidate** predicted by a given mass (and decay) model when $100 \text{ ns} < T_{1/2} < 100 \text{ ms}$.
Longer half-life will lose competition with β decay.
Shorter will be difficult to detect using in-flight separation and implantation technique.
- **Counting:**
a candidate has the model multiplicity $m(Z,N) = k$
when it is predicted by k mass models.

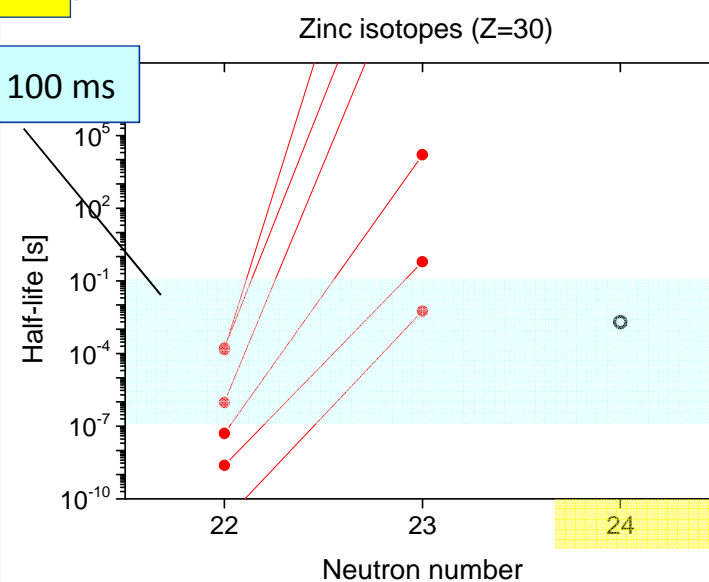
Nickel and zinc in the direct model



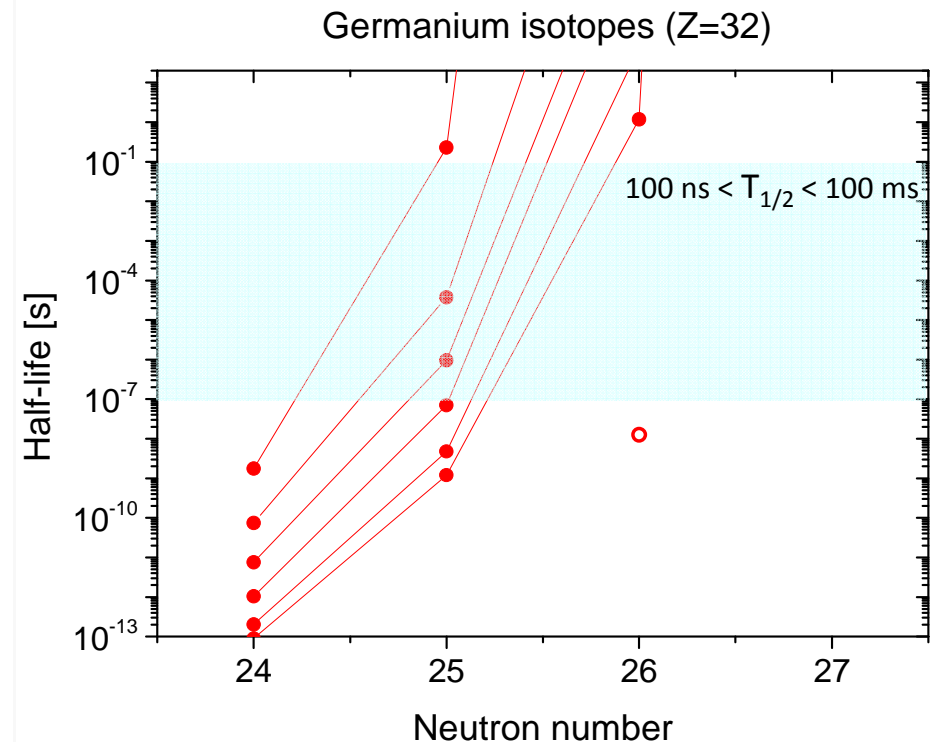
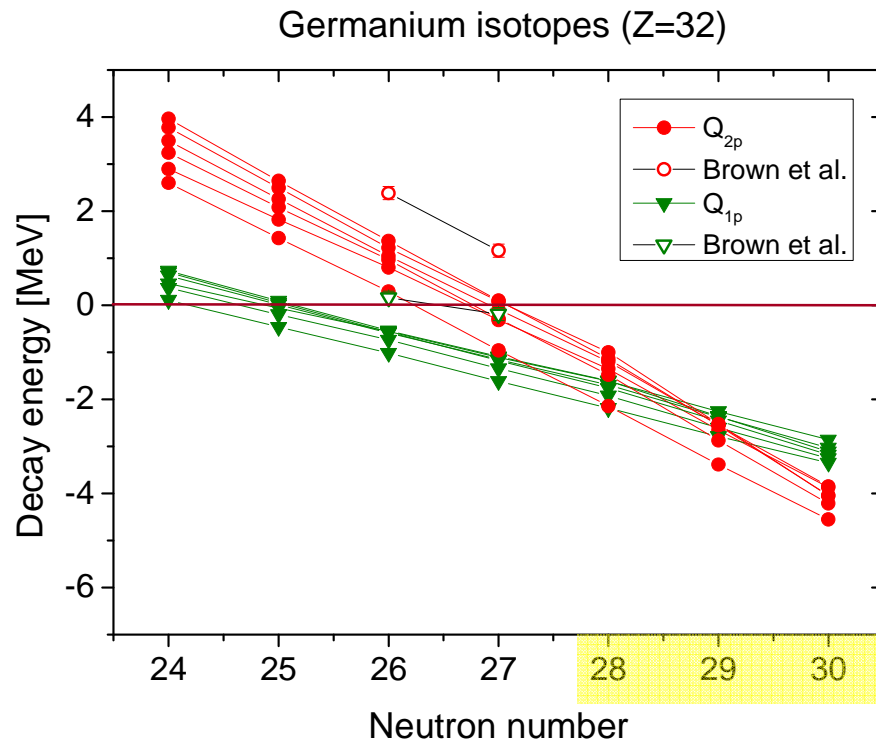
Experimental reach 2012



$100 \text{ ns} < T_{1/2} < 100 \text{ ms}$



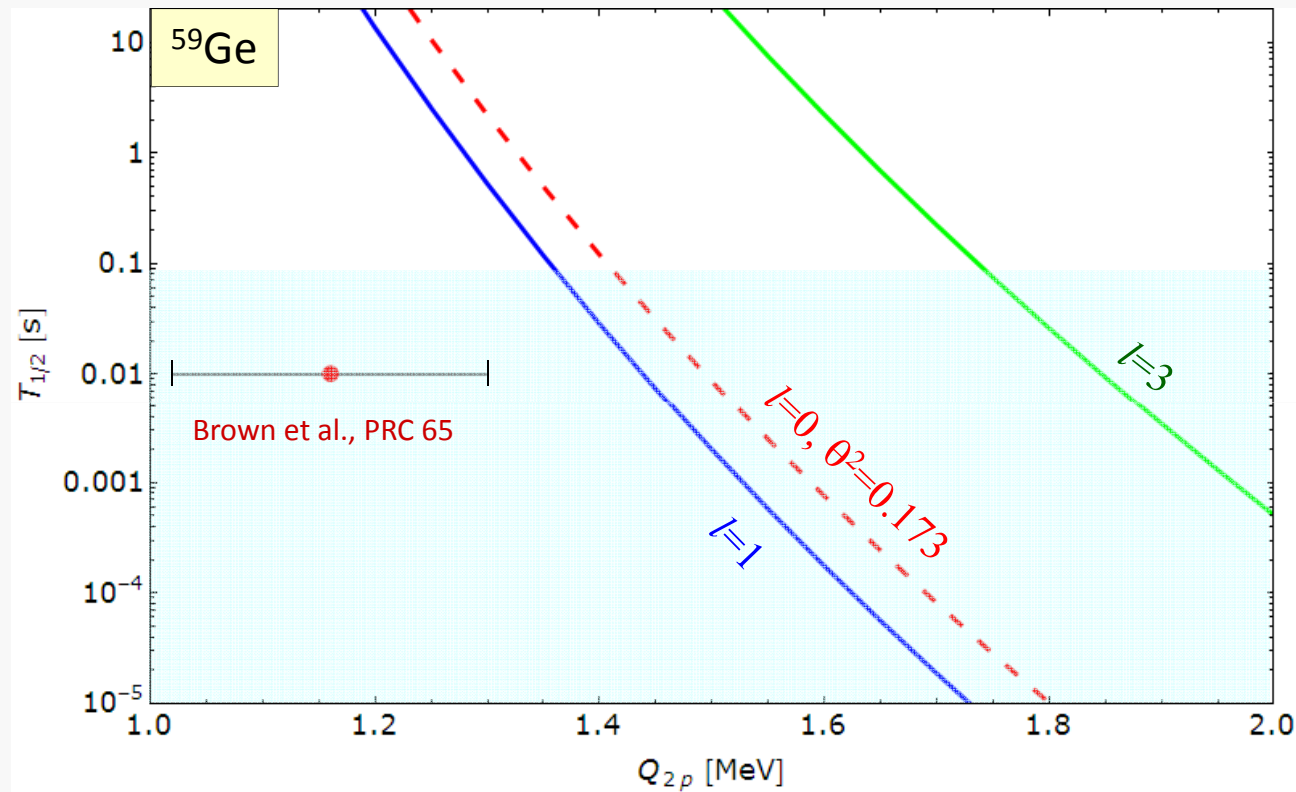
Germanium



- We predict ^{57}Ge to be 2p radioactive ($m=2$)
- Taking decay energies from Brown, the 2p half-life of ^{58}Ge comes shorter than 100 ns and that of ^{59}Ge longer than 100 ms

Brown et al., PRC 65 (2002) 045802

^{59}Ge – do we have a chance?

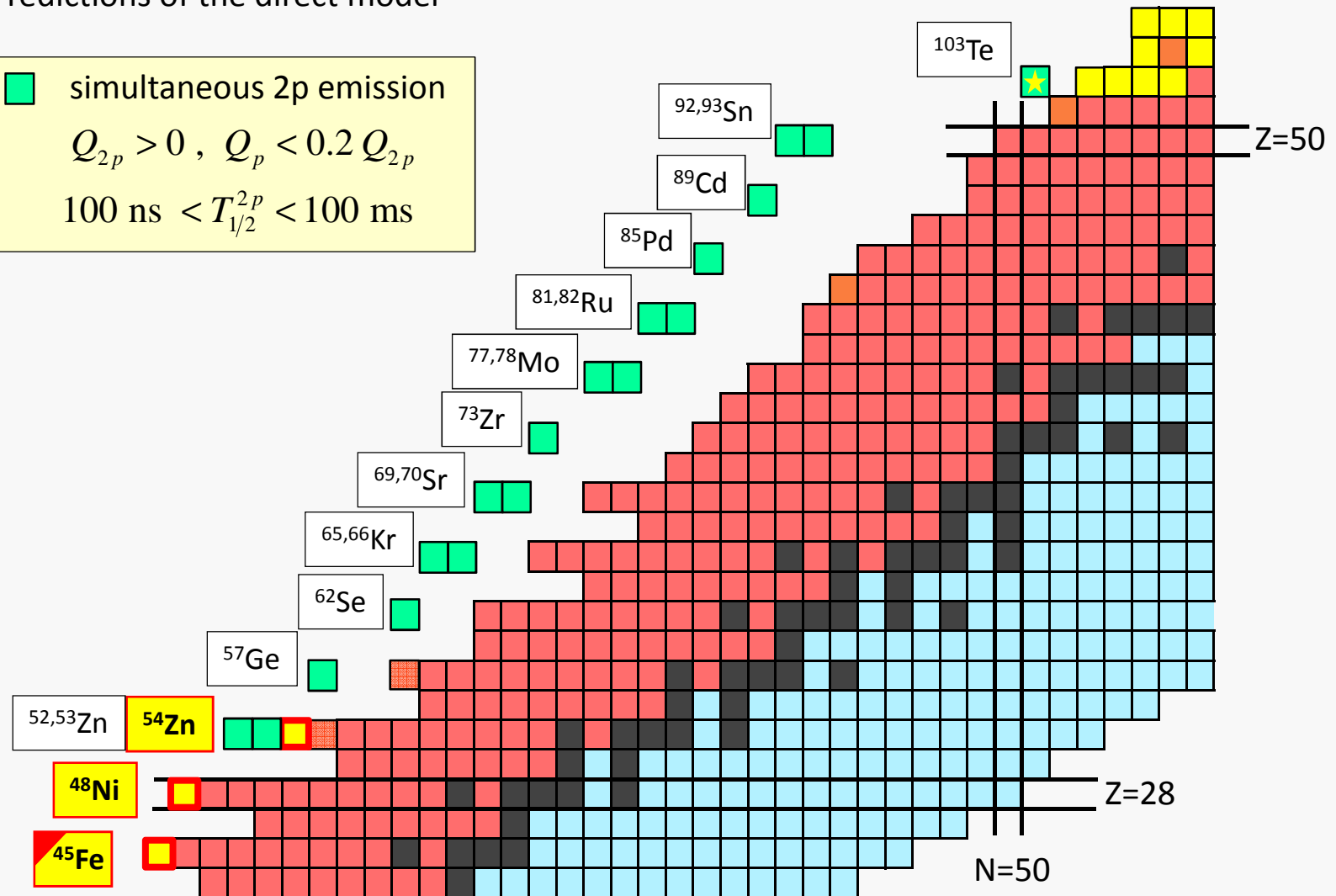


- Observation of 2p decay of ^{59}Ge is rather unlikely, unless Brown et al. are wrong by 2σ ...

Heavy 2p landscape

► Predictions of the direct model

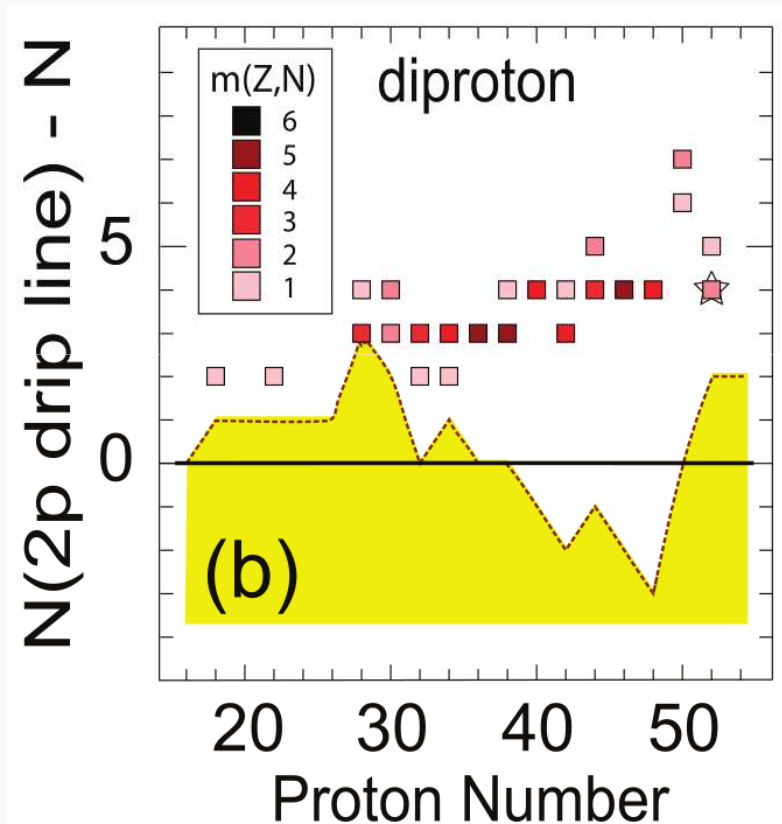
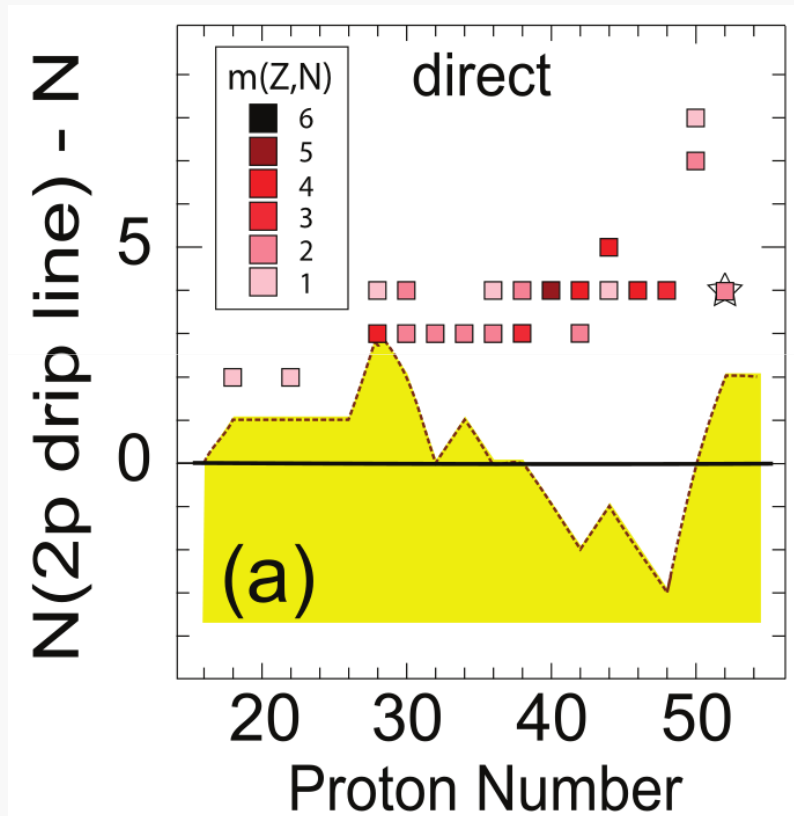
■ simultaneous 2p emission
 $Q_{2p} > 0$, $Q_p < 0.2 Q_{2p}$
 $100 \text{ ns} < T_{1/2}^{2p} < 100 \text{ ms}$



True 2p landscape

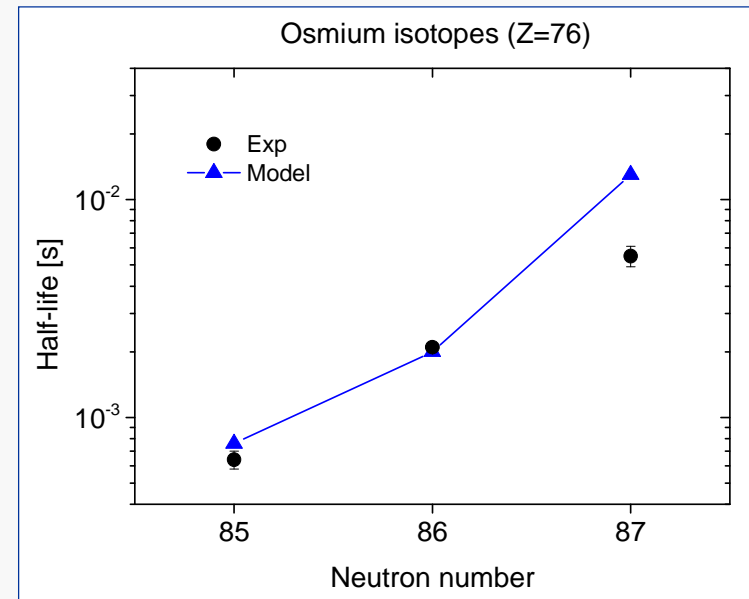
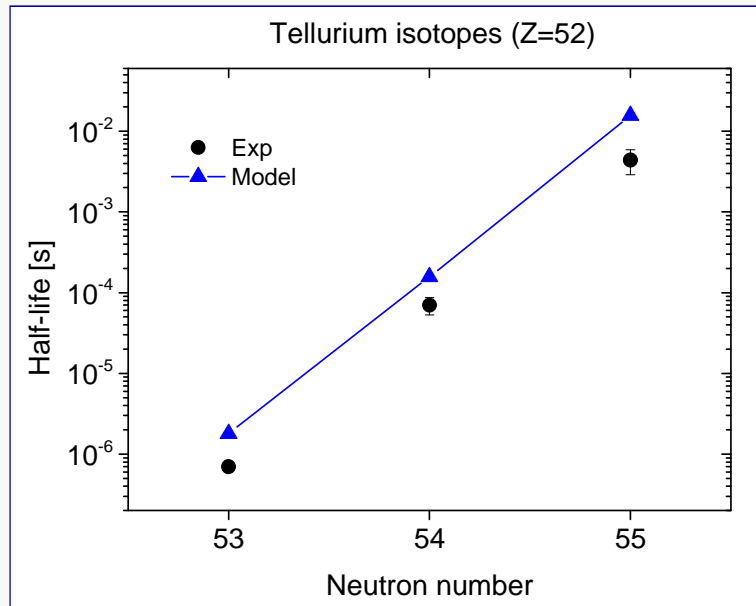
► Predicted candidates relative to the 2p dripline

$$100 \text{ ns} < T_{2p} < 100 \text{ ms}$$



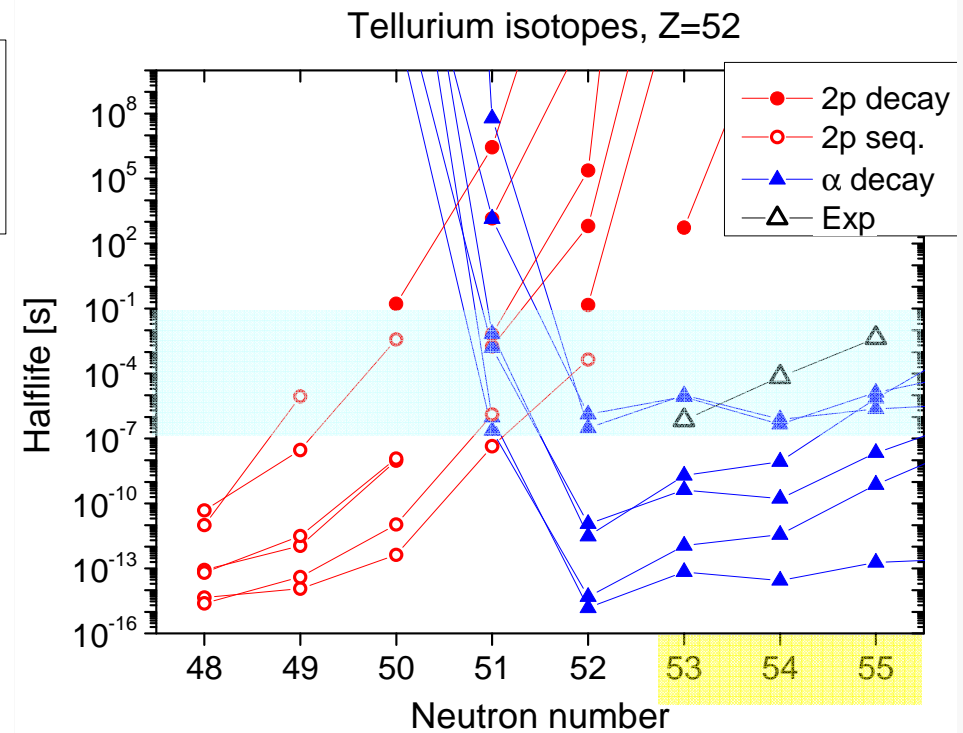
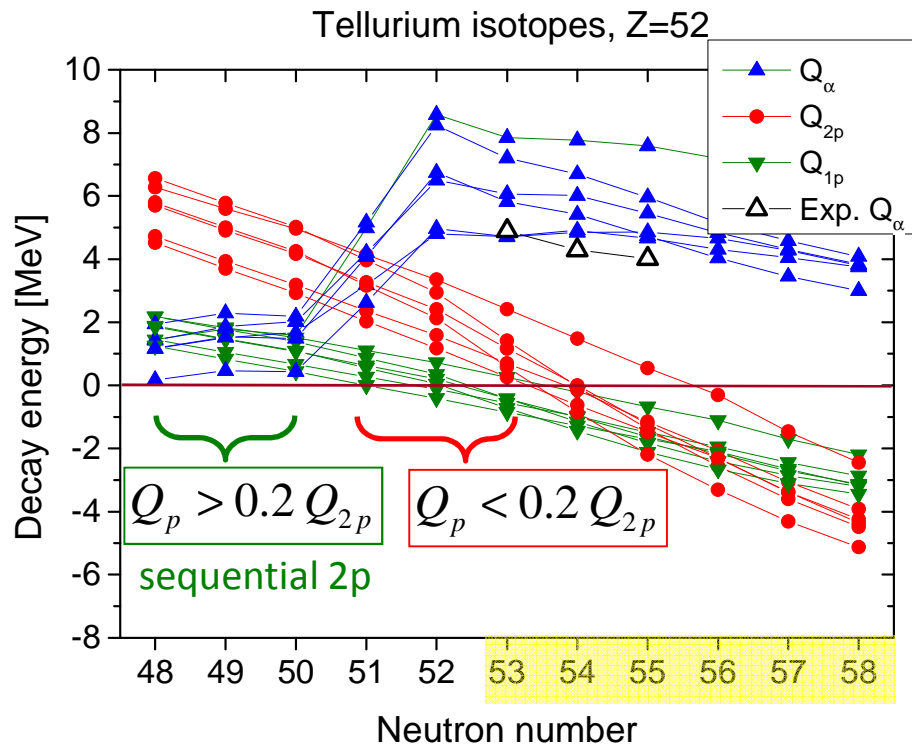
α -emission

- Global, phenomenological formula for α decay half-lives: [H. Koura 2012](#)



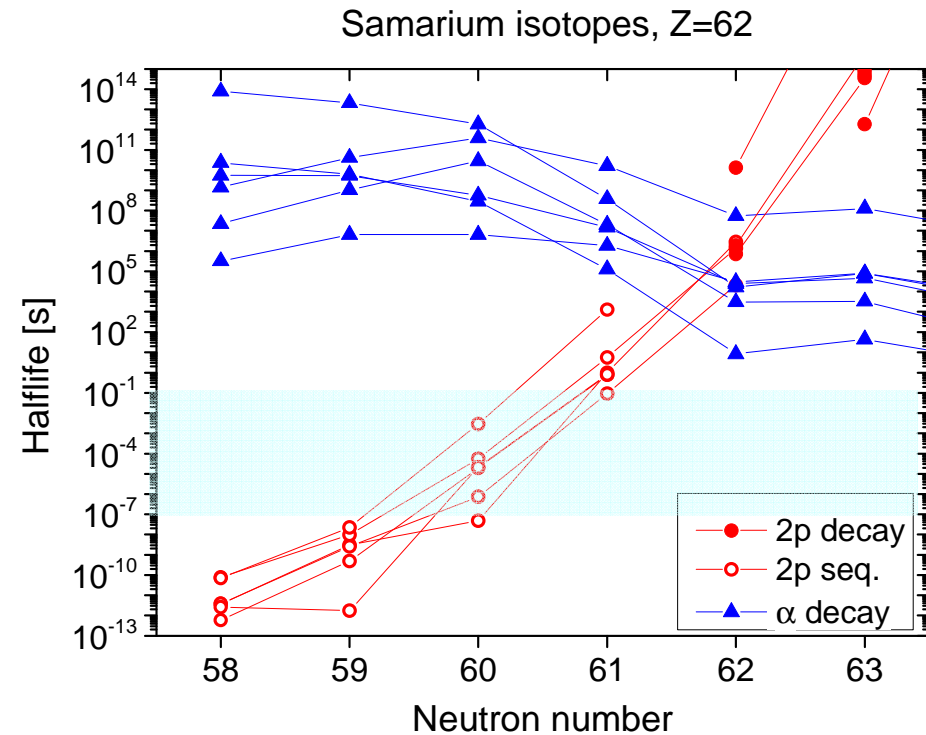
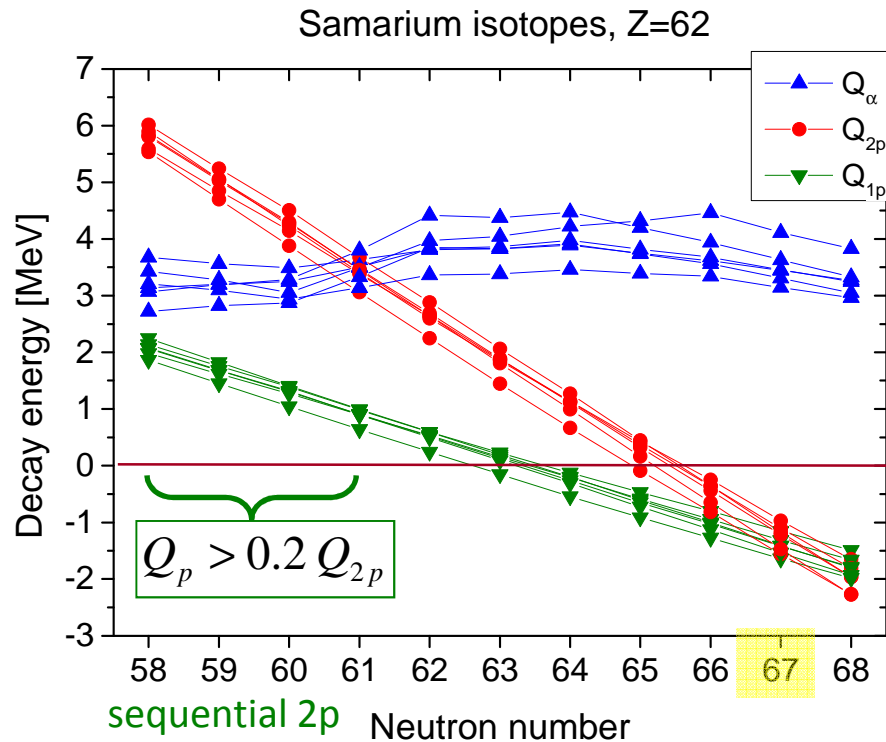
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Tellurium



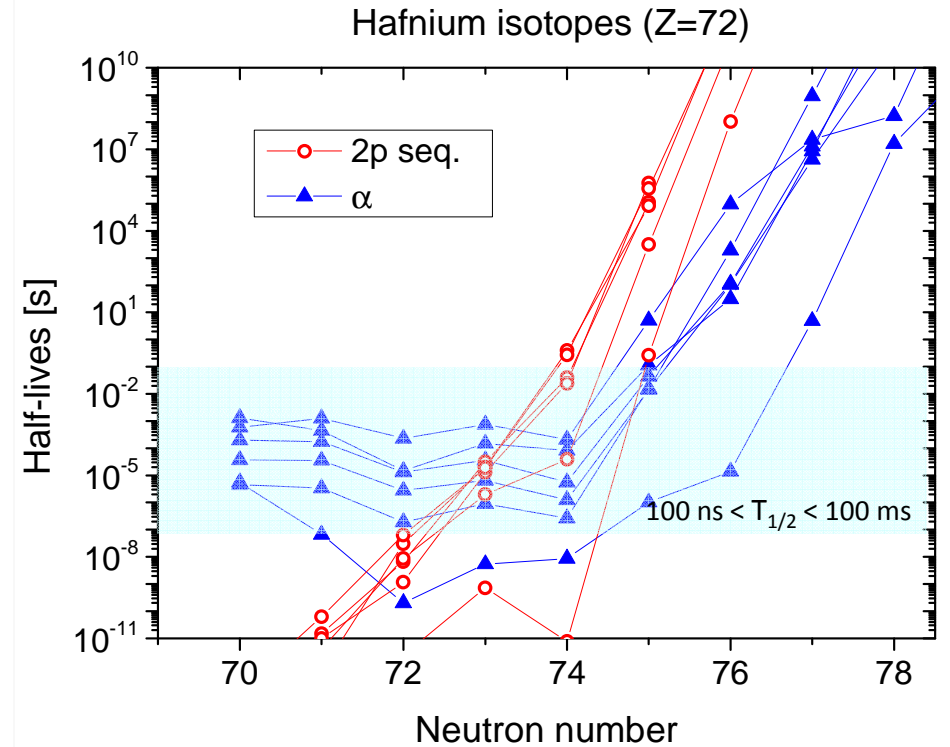
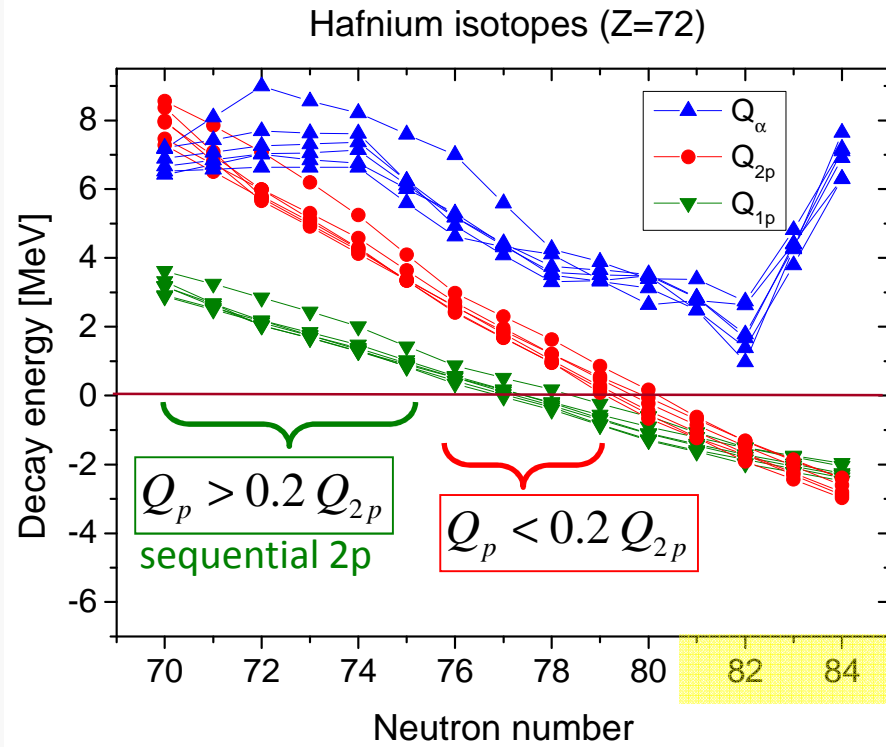
- At ^{103}Te a transition from the simultaneous 2p to the sequential emission occurs
- In addition, in ^{103}Te both decays, α and 2p may be observable!

Samarium



- When the energy condition for the true 2p decay is fulfilled, the predicted half-life is extremely long
- When the fast proton emission becomes possible, it proceeds as the sequential 2p decay

Hafnium

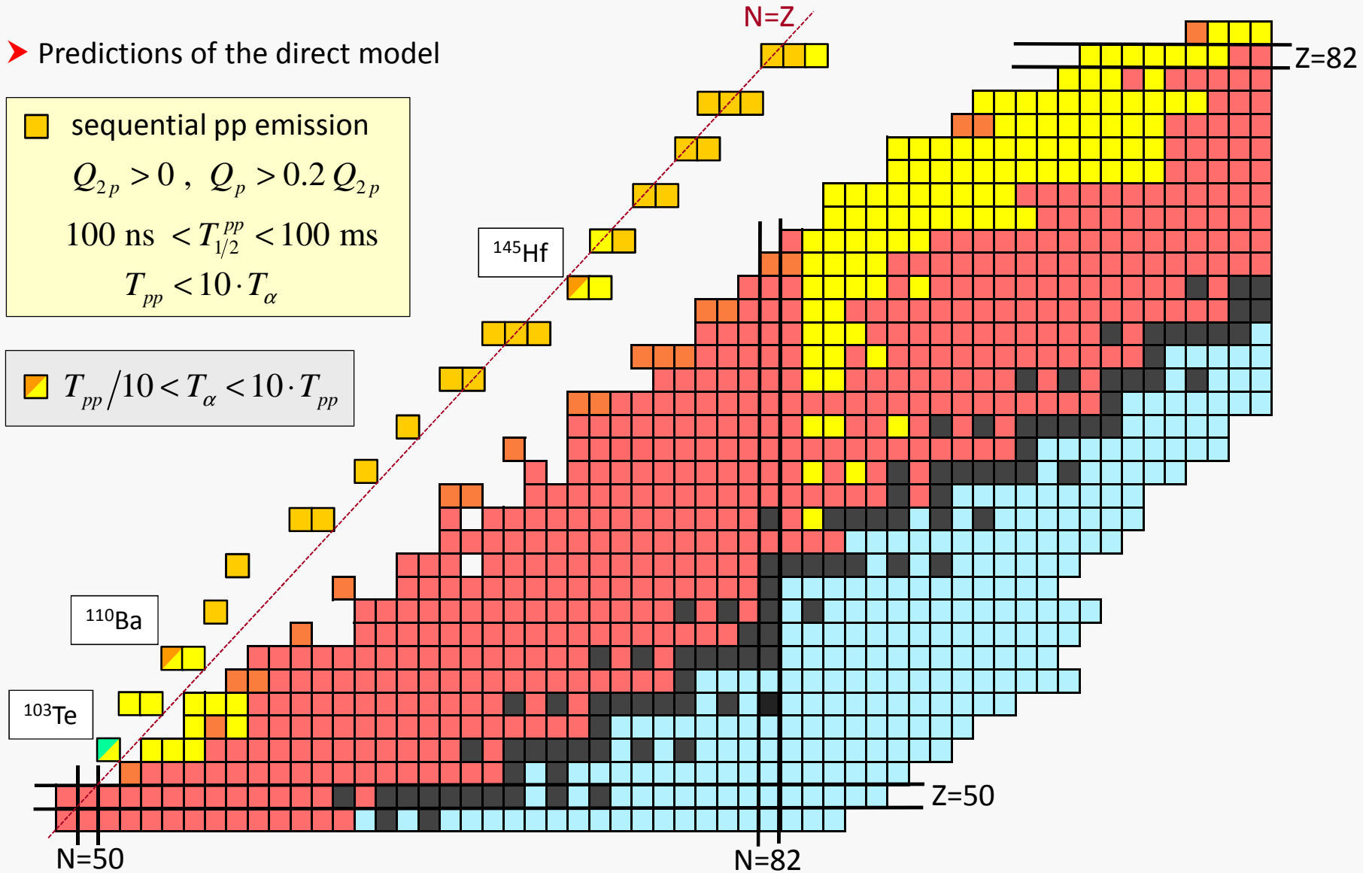


Between tellurium and lead

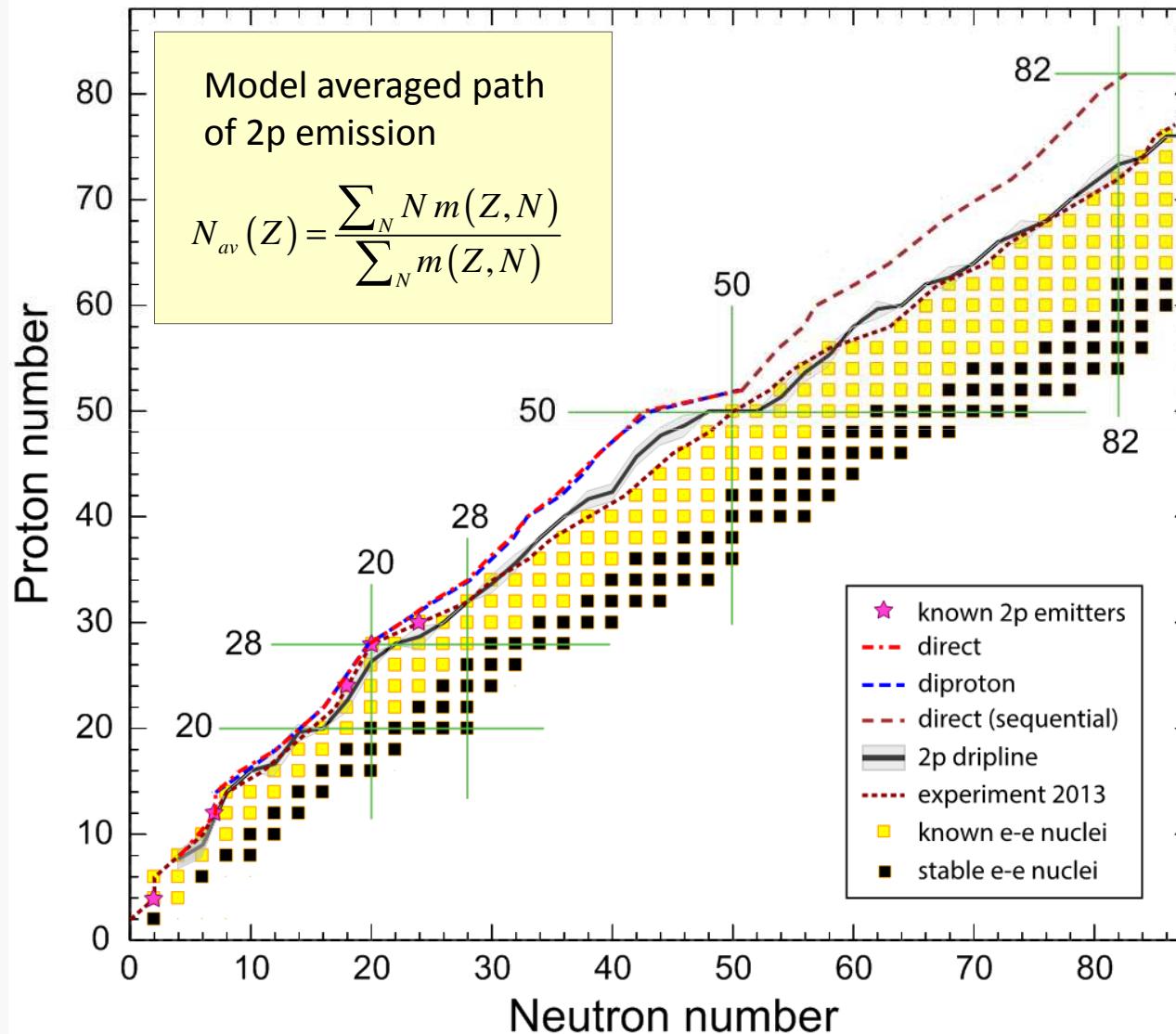
► Predictions of the direct model

sequential pp emission
 $Q_{2p} > 0, Q_p > 0.2 Q_{2p}$
 $100 \text{ ns} < T_{1/2}^{pp} < 100 \text{ ms}$
 $T_{pp} < 10 \cdot T_{\alpha}$

$T_{pp}/10 < T_{\alpha} < 10 \cdot T_{pp}$



Full 2p landscape



Summary

- The direct (simultaneous) ground-state **2p emission established** for ${}^6\text{Be}$, ${}^{19}\text{Mg}$, ${}^{45}\text{Fe}$, ${}^{48}\text{Ni}$, and ${}^{54}\text{Zn}$.
The hunt for other cases continues: ${}^{30}\text{Ar}$, ${}^{59}\text{Ge}$,... .
- For every even-Z element between zinc and tellurium ($Z=52$) the isotopes decaying by 2p radioactivity in the time window $100 \text{ ns} < T_{1/2} < 100 \text{ ms}$ are predicted.
- In ${}^{103}\text{Te}$ the competition between simultaneous 2p, sequential pp, and α emission may occur. For ${}^{145}\text{Hf}$ the competition between α and sequential pp is predicted.
- Above tellurium the limit of decay spectroscopy is represented by sequential pp emission, except for xenon ($Z=54$) where α decay dominates.
- Above lead ($Z=82$) α decay dominates, no 2p emission is expected to be observed.

Thank you!

