

# Impact of the isospin symmetry breaking on the neutron-skin thickness and the nuclear equation of state

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- Difference between  $p$ - $p$  int. and  $n$ - $n$  int.

$$v_{\text{CSB}} \equiv v_{nn}^{T=1} - v_{pp}^{T=1} \sim \tau_{zi} + \tau_{zj}$$

- Originates from mass difference of nucleons ( $m_p \neq m_n$ ) and  $\pi^0$ - $\eta$  &  $\rho^0$ - $\omega$  mixings in meson-exchange process

## Charge independence breaking (CIB)

- Difference between like-particle int. and diff.-particle int.

$$v_{\text{CIB}} \equiv \frac{v_{nn}^{T=1} + v_{pp}^{T=1}}{2} - v_{np}^{T=1} \sim \tau_{zi}\tau_{zj}$$

- Originates from mass difference of pions ( $m_{\pi^0} \neq m_{\pi^\pm}$ )

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## Isospin Symmetry Breaking of Atomic Nuclei

- Isospin symmetry of atomic nuclei is *slightly* broken due to
  - Coulomb interaction
  - Isospin symmetry breaking (ISB) terms of nuclear interaction
- Different properties of mirror nuclei
  - Mass
    - Coulomb int. is not enough (Okamoto-Nolen-Schiffer anomaly)
  - Ground-state spin ( $^{73}_{38}\text{Sr}$  ( $5/2^-$ ) and  $^{73}_{35}\text{Br}$  ( $1/2^-$ ) at NSCL)
  - Shape ( $^{70}_{36}\text{Kr}$  and  $^{70}_{34}\text{Se}$  at RIBF)
- Finite (negative) neutron-skin thickness  $\Delta R_{np} = R_n - R_p$  of  $N = Z$  nuclei

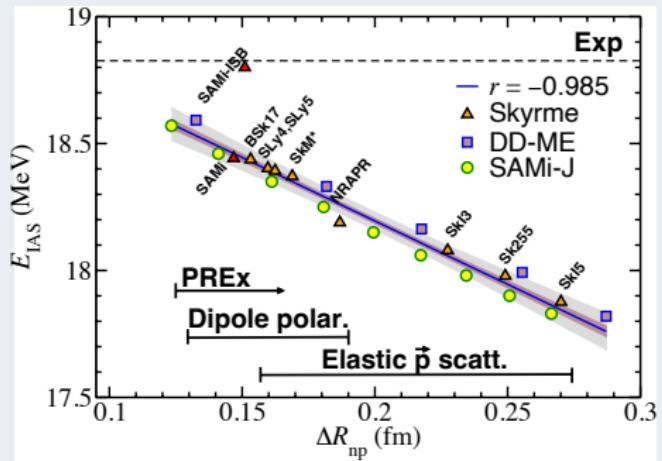
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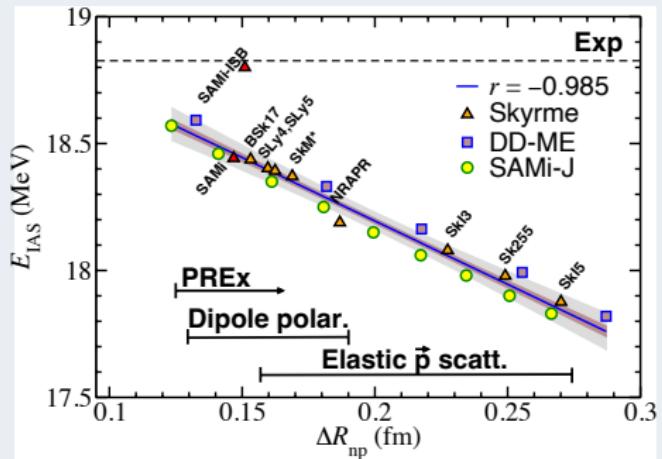
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## Current Status of ISB Interaction

- ISB terms of bare interaction: Constrained (e.g. AV18)
- Systematic study on nuclear chart → Effective int. (EDF) is needed
- Effective int. with ISB terms: Only a few
- Accuracy of effective nuclear int. (EDF)  
 $E_{\text{tot}}$  within 1 MeV → Final goal:  $\lesssim 500 \text{ keV}$ ? (c.f., mass model)
  - ISB terms may contribute  $E_{\text{tot}}$  in several MeV  
→ ISB terms may be needed
  - Coulomb int: Not accurately treated
- Systematic study of effects of ISB terms: Not yet
  - Both ISB terms and Coulomb int. break the isospin symmetry  
→ We should distinguish two contributions
  - ISB effects are not large  
→ Precise calculation is needed
  - Thus, accuracy of the Coulomb EDF should be carefully considered

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## Method in This Work

- **Nuclear density functional theory (DFT)** is used because only this can be applied to whole nuclear chart at this moment

$$E[\rho_p, \rho_n] = T_{\text{KS}}[\rho_p, \rho_n] + E_{\text{nucl}}[\rho_p, \rho_n] + E_{\text{CH}}[\rho_{\text{ch}}] + E_{\text{Cx}}[\rho_{\text{ch}}]$$

- **Skyrme-type effective interaction** is used for  $E_{\text{nucl}}$  (non-rel. calc.)

$$\begin{aligned} v_{\text{Sky}}^{\text{IS}}(\mathbf{r}) = & t_0(1+x_0P_\sigma)\delta(\mathbf{r}) + \frac{t_1}{2}(1+x_1P_\sigma)[\mathbf{p}^\dagger \delta(\mathbf{r}) + \delta(\mathbf{r})\mathbf{p}^2] + t_2(1+x_2P_\sigma)\mathbf{p}^\dagger \cdot \delta(\mathbf{r})\mathbf{p} \\ & + \frac{t_3}{6}(1+x_3P_\sigma)\delta(\mathbf{r})[\rho(\mathbf{R})]^\alpha + iW_0\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}^\dagger \times \delta(\mathbf{r})\mathbf{p} \end{aligned}$$

SAMi and its family are used for  $E_{\text{nucl}}$

- Doubly-magic nuclei are focused on  
→ Spherical symmetry is assumed and pairing is neglected

## Skyrme-like ISB Interaction

- To perform mean-field (DFT) calculation, the Skyrme-like ISB interaction is introduced

$$v_{\text{Sky}}^{\text{CSB}}(\mathbf{r}) = s_0(1 + y_0 P_\sigma) \delta(\mathbf{r}) \frac{\tau_{1z} + \tau_{2z}}{4}$$

$$v_{\text{Sky}}^{\text{CIB}}(\mathbf{r}) = u_0(1 + z_0 P_\sigma) \delta(\mathbf{r}) \frac{\tau_{1z} \tau_{2z}}{2}$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{CSB}} = \frac{s_0(1 - y_0)}{8} (\rho_n^2 - \rho_p^2)$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{CIB}} = \frac{u_0}{8} [(1 - z_0)(\rho_n^2 + \rho_p^2) - 2(2 + z_0)\rho_n\rho_p]$$

Note:  $\tau_z = -1$  for protons and  $\tau_z = +1$  for neutrons (low-energy convention)

- SAMi-ISB EDF is used in this work

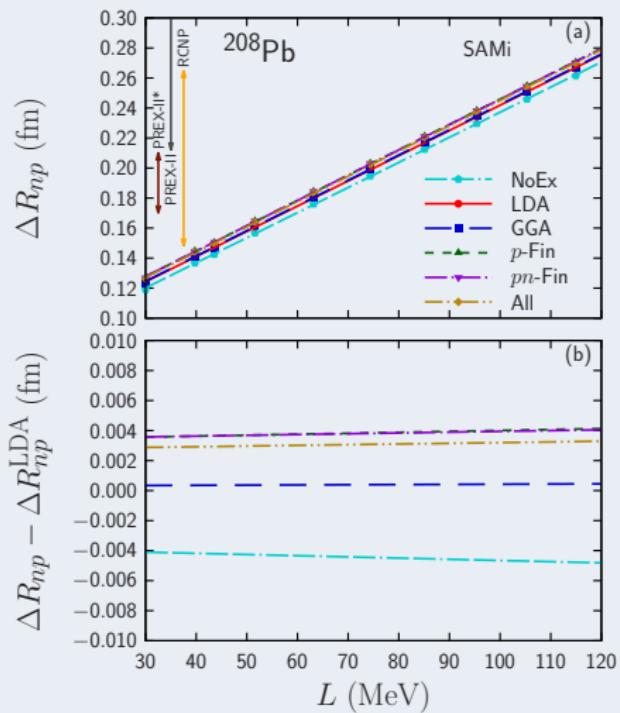
- $y_0 = z_0 = -1$  to select the spin-singlet ( $S = 0$ ) channel
- $s_0$  and  $u_0$  are parameters
- All the parameters including the main part ( $t_j, x_j, W_0, W'_0, \alpha$ ) are optimized altogether

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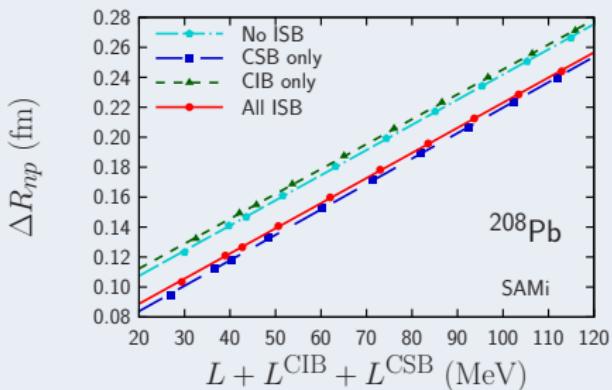
## Coulomb Effect on Neutron-Skin Thickness



- ISB terms are not considered
- Treatment of Coulomb int. does not change the slope of  $L$ - $\Delta R_{np}$  dependence
- Absolute value of  $\Delta R_{np}$  changes, but its value is tiny  
→ negligible

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## Neutron-Skin Thickness of $^{208}\text{Pb}$



- $L$  vs  $\Delta R_{np}$  correlation is estimated using SAMi-J family
- SAMi-J family  
Same as SAMi but different  $J$   
→ Different  $L$
- On top of SAMi-J family, ISB terms are considered

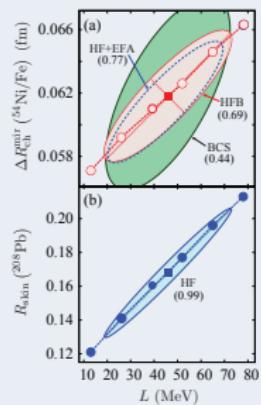
- If we assume the same  $\Delta R_{np}$ , difference between estimated  $L_{\text{full}}$  without & that with ISB is 11.1 MeV
  - CSB contribution 13.9 MeV
  - CIB contribution -2.7 MeV
- $L_{\text{CIB}} = 2.3$  MeV and  $L_{\text{CSB}} = -3.2$  MeV → Change of  $L$  is 12 MeV

(predicted value of  $L$ :  $30 \lesssim L \lesssim 100$  MeV)

# Neutron-Skin Thickness and Charge Radii Difference

## Charge-Radii Difference of Mirror Nuclei

- Without Coulomb nor ISB,  $R_p^{(Z,N)} = R_n^{(N,Z)}$  and  $R_n^{(Z,N)} = R_p^{(N,Z)}$  hold  
 $\rightarrow \Delta R_{\text{ch}}^{(Z,N)} = R_{\text{ch}}^{(Z,N)} - R_{\text{ch}}^{(N,Z)} \simeq R_p^{(Z,N)} - R_p^{(N,Z)} = \Delta R_{np}^{(Z,N)}$
- $R_{\text{ch}}$  can be measured precisely
- Therefore, it was proposed that  $\Delta R_{\text{ch}}$  is correlated to  $L$
- It was also pointed out that the correlation is weak due to pairing and deformation, in contrast to  $\Delta R_{np}$



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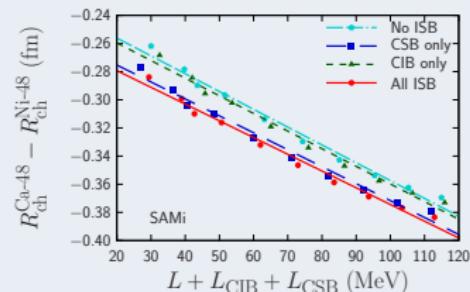
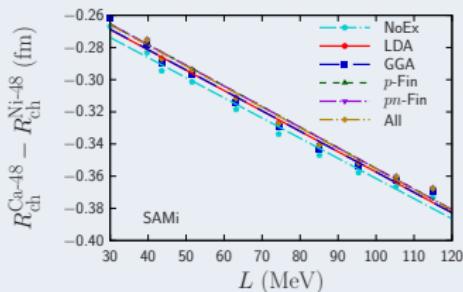
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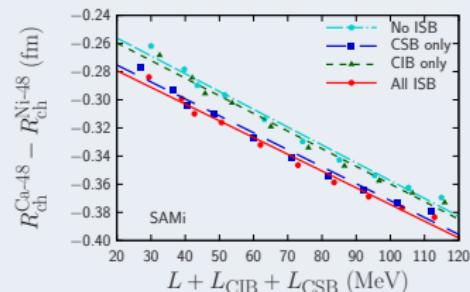
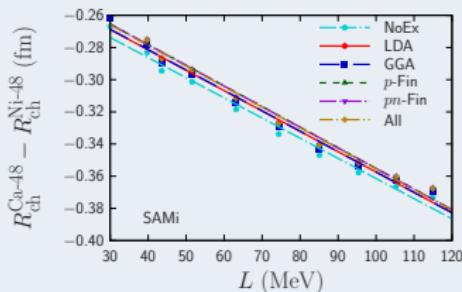


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- CSB and CIB terms contribute to  $\Delta R_{np}$  of  $^{208}\text{Pb}$  in  $-0.02 \text{ fm}$   
this corresponds to  $12 \text{ MeV}$  in  $L$  value
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