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NEW MASS EVALUATION AND ITS IMPLICATION FOR THE NEUTRON-RICH NUCLEOSYNTHESIS PRODUCT YIELD



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Objectives

1. Binding energies predictions

local mass relations – math formulas, including few binding energies

- 1969: First applied (Garvey and Kelson)
- 1969: Formula describing the np -pairing Δ_{np} (Kravtsov)
- 1974: Estimation the binding energy with Δ_{np} (Janecke)
- ...
- 2012: Estimation the binding energy with Δ_{np} on AME 2012 (Jiang)

- understanding of different mass relations improved
- experimental database significantly increased

- Our previous works: estimate the binding energy with Δ_{np} based on AME 2016 for heavy nuclei with new approximations
- This work: application of new approximation approaches, estimate the binding energy with Δ_{np} for SHE and drip lines area

2. R-process nucleosynthesis calculations using numeric model based on the SkyNet library to obtain final mass distributions of r-process products at the temperature of 1.2 GK

- Calculations were performed using different mass models including Δ_{np} calculations

Residual np -interaction and mass predictions

Mass relations for np -correlations:

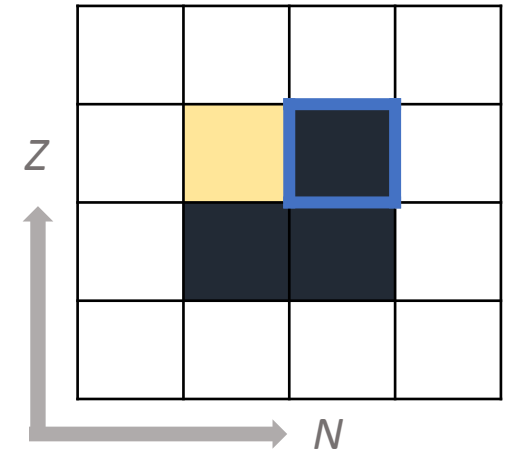
$$\Delta_{np}(Z, N) = [S_p(Z, N) - S_p(Z, N - 1)] = [B(Z, N) - B(Z, N - 1)] - [B(Z - 1, N) - B(Z - 1, N - 1)]$$

[Kravtsov V.A. Sov. Phys. JETP. 1959]

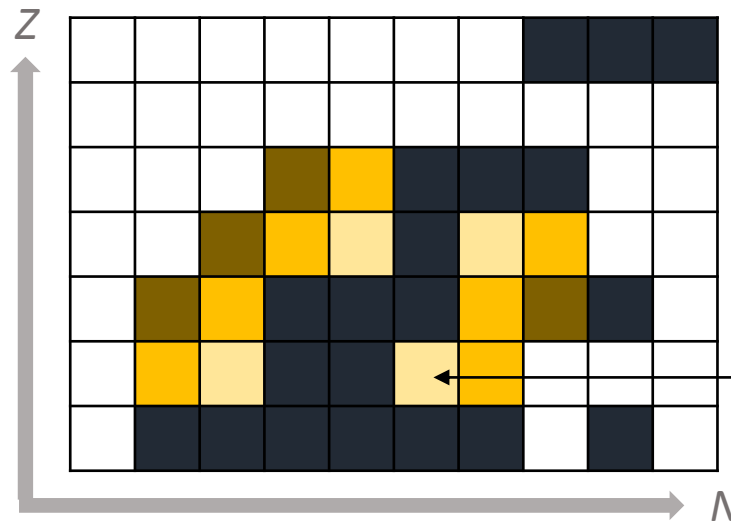
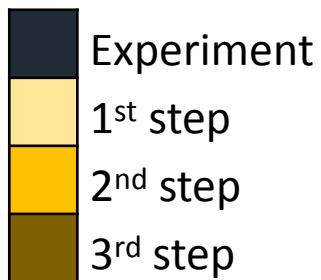
Predicted binding energy (1 of 4 possible formulas):

$$B_{pred}(Z, N - 1) = B(Z, N) - B(Z - 1, N) + B(Z - 1, N - 1) - \Delta_{np}^{cal}(Z, N)$$

[J. Janecke, H. Behrens // Phys. Rev. C 1974]



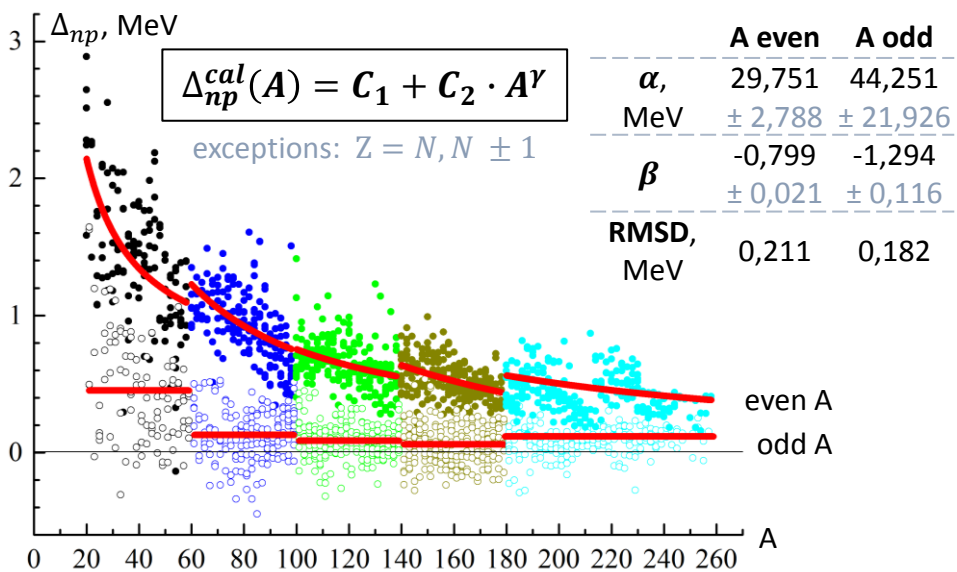
Calculations step by step:



The binding energy of such nucleus can be expressed from 2 Δ_{np} => their averaging is used

Method predictive power – accuracy of previous results

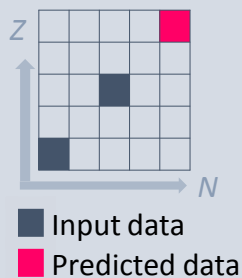
1. Predictions by Δ_{np}



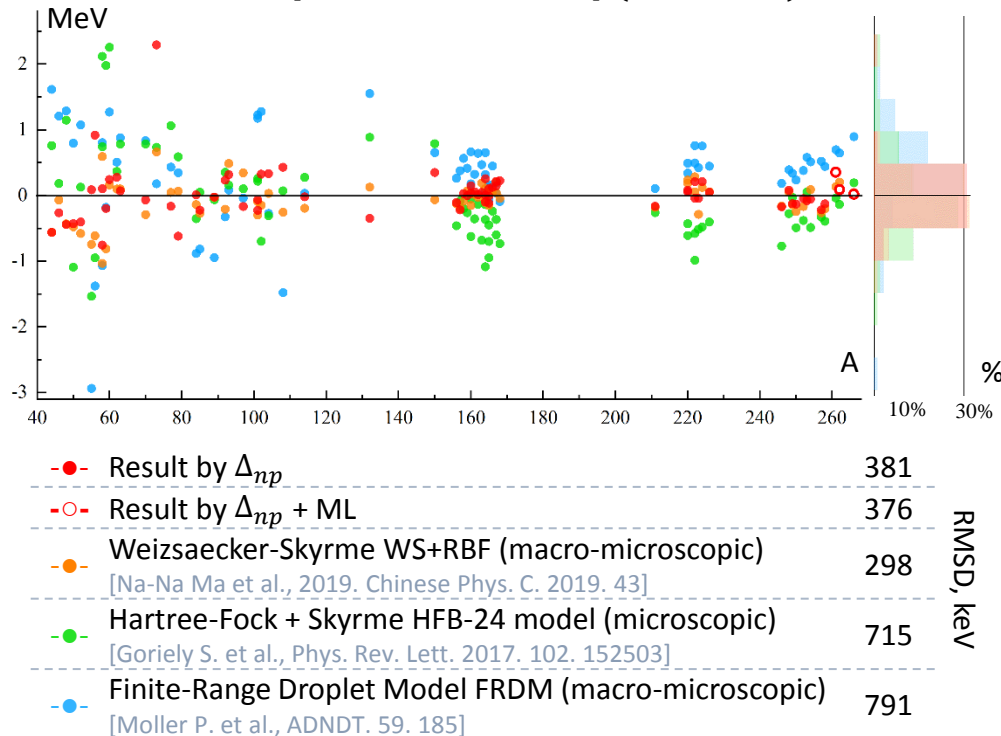
2. Prediction extension with machine learning

Preliminary results

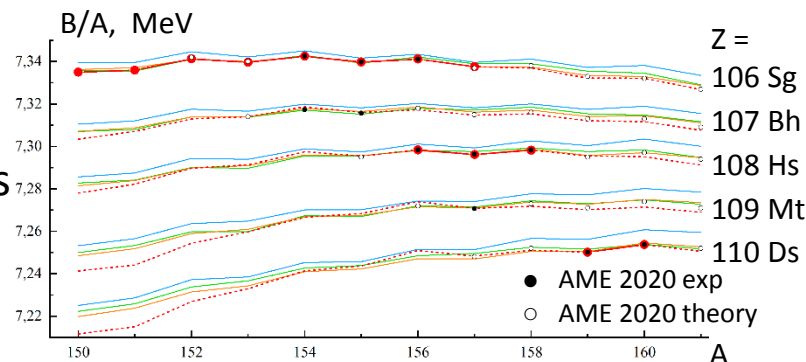
- ✓ SVR (support vector regression) algorithm
- ✓ Energies of neighboring nuclei ate using as input parameters: **B/A(N, Z) prediction based on the B/A of nuclei (N-2, Z-2) and (N-4, Z-4)**
- ✓ **Input array of experimental data AME 2016 expanded with Δ_{np} estimates (steps ≤ 15)**
- ✓ The result is stable for at least 2 iterations of the ML algorithm



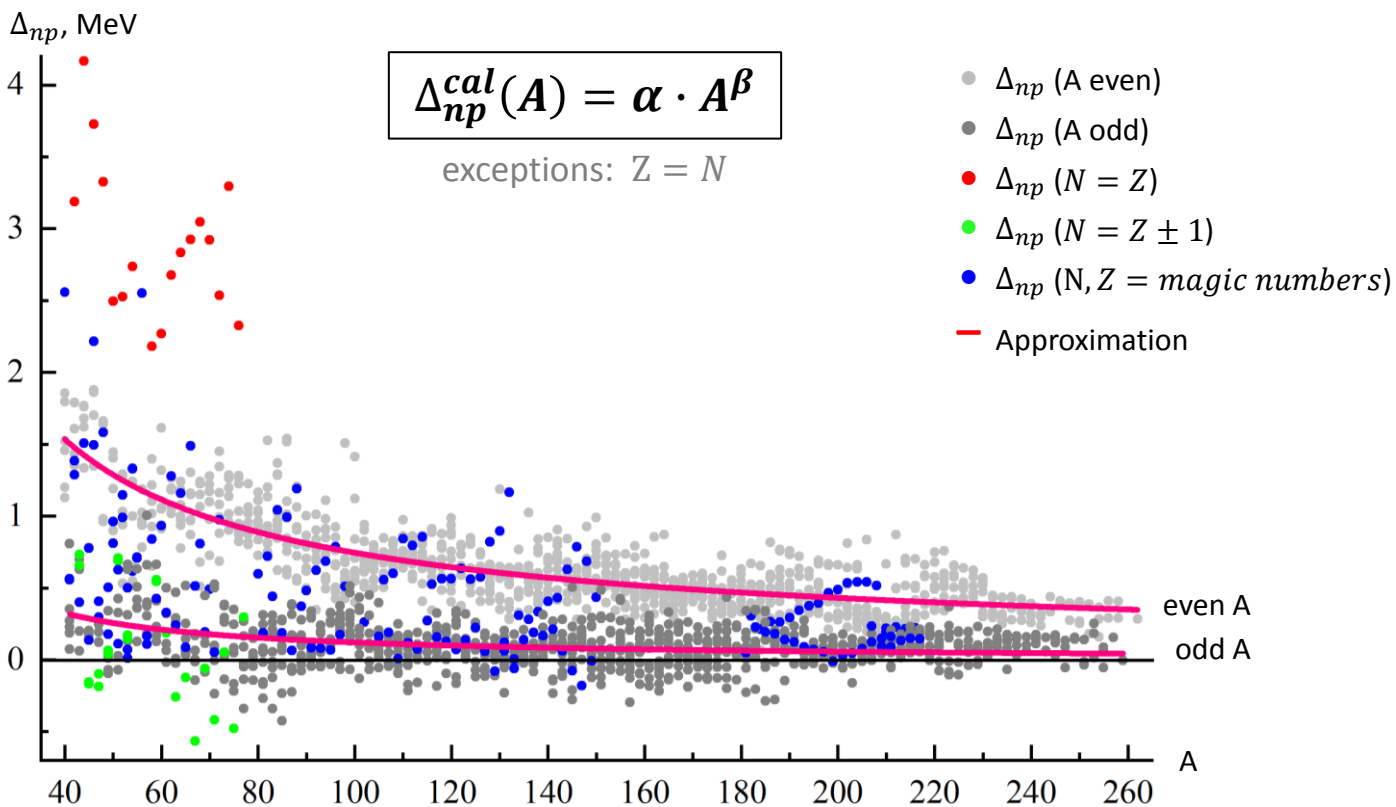
Difference $B_{predicted} - B_{exp}(AME2020)$



Binding energy predictions



New approximations – AME2020 data



«A» dependence discussion in np pairwise correlations

- $\sim A^{-1/3}$
[Wang, Liu J. Phys. Conf. Ser. 420 (2013) 012057]
[Hilaire et al. Phys. Lett. B 531 (2002) 61-66]
- $\sim A^{-2/3}$
[Madland, Nix Nucl. Phys. A 476 (1988) 1-38]
- $\sim A^{-1}$
[Jensen et al. Nucl. Phys. A 431 (1984) 393-418]
- $\sim A^{-1}$ for even A,
const for odd A
[Jiang et al. Phys. Rev. C 85 (2012) 054303]
- $\sim A^{-1}$ – nucleon interactions are of short duration and $|\Psi|^2$ is constant inside the nucleus;
 $\sim A^{-1/3(-2/3)}$ – wave function concentrates on the nuclear surface
[Nemirovsky, Adamchuk Nucl. Phys. 39 (1962) 551-562]

	A even				A odd			
AME	2003	2012	2016	2020	2003	2012	2016	2020
$\alpha, \text{ MeV}$	29,751 $\pm 2,788$	26,061 $\pm 2,077$	25,186 $\pm 2,062$	28,218 $\pm 2,169$	44,251 $\pm 21,926$	24,380 $\pm 10,548$	25,158 $\pm 10,636$	17,277 $\pm 6,628$
β	-0,799 $\pm 0,021$	-0,770 $\pm 0,018$	-0,764 $\pm 0,018$	-0,789 $\pm 0,017$	-1,294 $\pm 0,116$	-1,164 $\pm 0,099$	-1,167 $\pm 0,097$	-1,076 $\pm 0,088$
RMSD, MeV	0,211	0,185	0,193	0,181	0,182	0,163	0,165	0,158

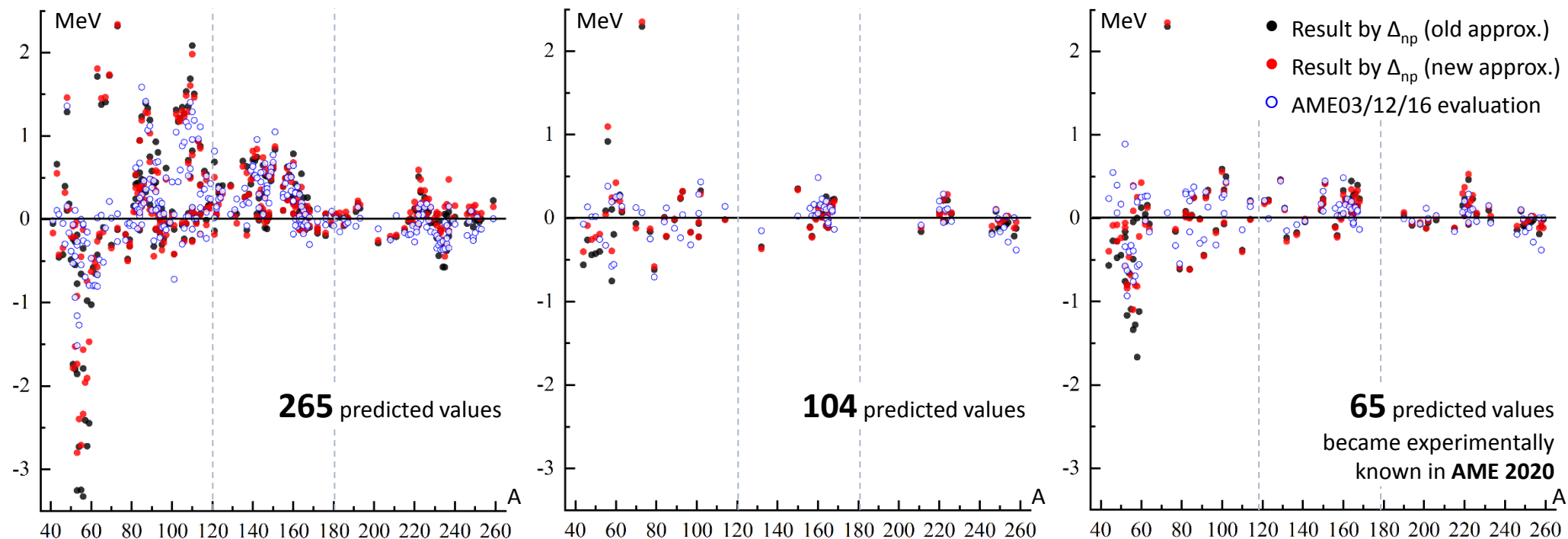
Method reliability – results based on AME 2003, 2012, 2016

Deviations of estimates and experimental data AME 2020

AME 2003

AME 2012

AME 2016

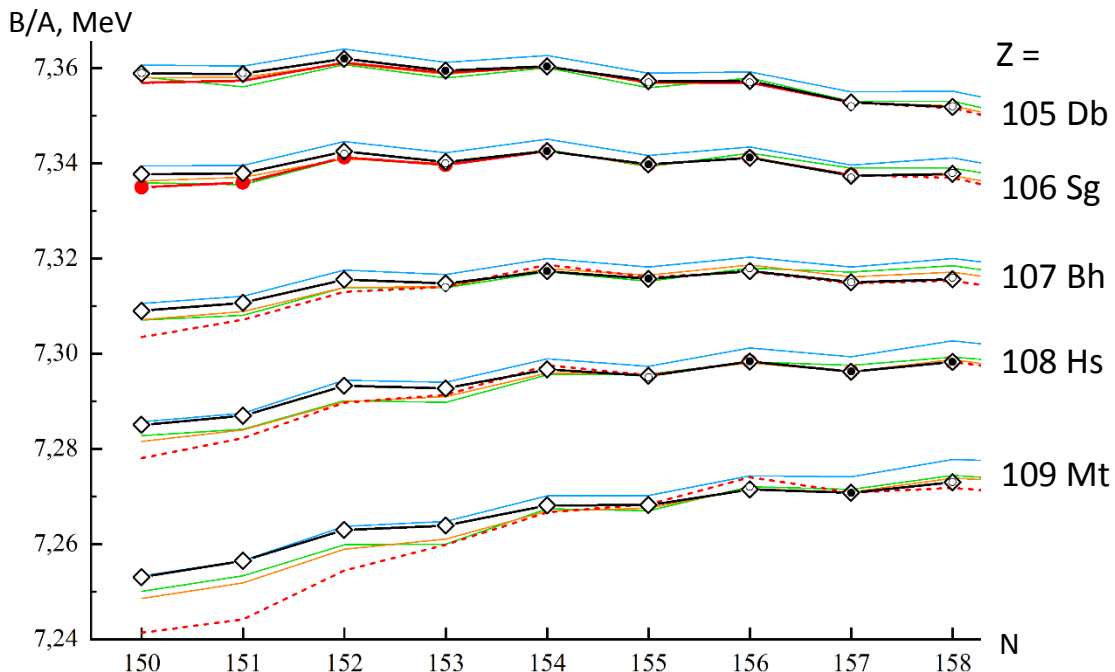


RMSD, keV [predictions – exp AME 2020]	AME 2003			AME 2012			AME 2016		
	all	A ≥ 120	A ≥ 180	all	A ≥ 120	A ≥ 180	all	A ≥ 120	A ≥ 180
Result by Δ_{np} (old approx.)	747	308	201	466	192	139	381	149	127
Result by Δ_{np} (new approx.)	664	301	201	384	190	165	372	134	108
AME03/12/16 evaluation	455	315	178	293	169	139	223	162	169

2-15% improving predictions based on AME 2016 accuracy in different A-zones

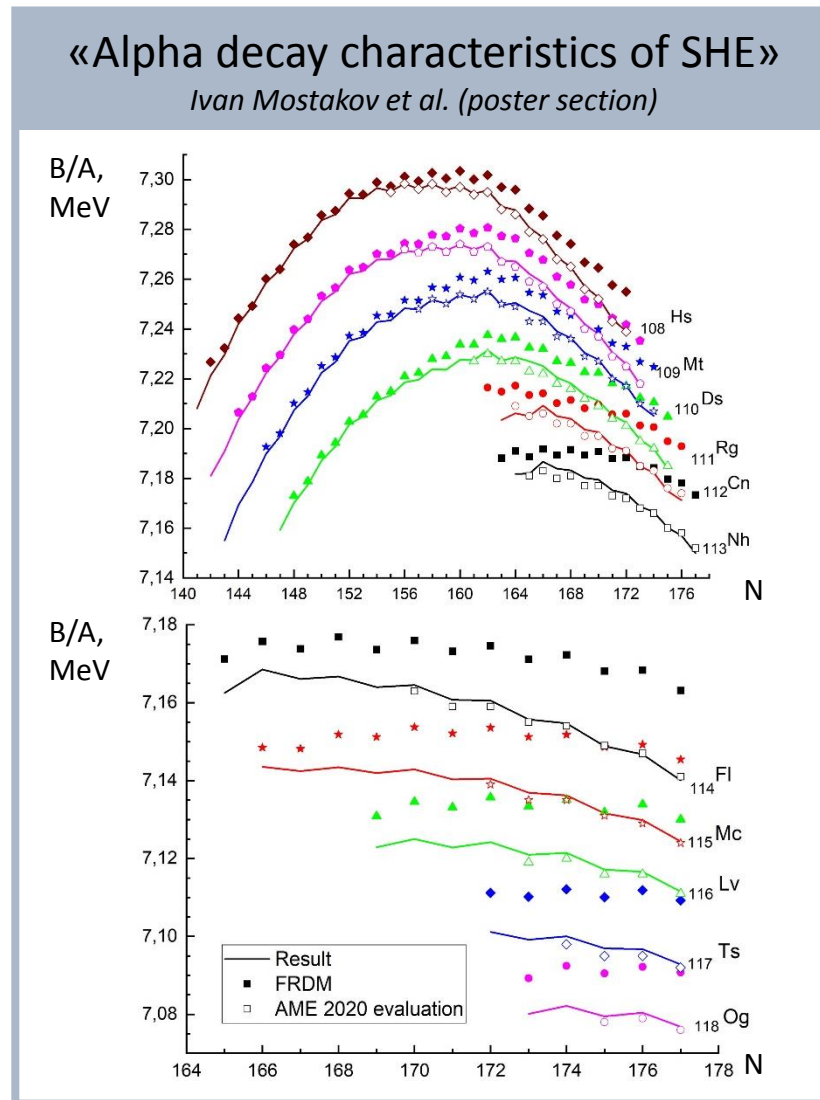
Binding energy predictions for SHE (B/A)

1. Result by Δ_{np} approximation only



- \diamond - New result by Δ_{np} with AME 2020
- AME 2020 exp
- AME 2020 theory
- Old result by Δ_{np} with AME 2016
- - - Old result by Δ_{np} with AME 2016 + ML
- Weizsaecker-Skyrme WS+RBF (macro-microscopic)
[Na-Na Ma et al., 2019. Chinese Phys. C. 2019. 43]
- Hartree-Fock + Skyrme HFB-24 model (microscopic)
[Goriely S. et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 2017. 102. 152503]
- Finite-Range Droplet Model FRDM (macro-microscopic)
[Moller P. et al., ADNDT. 59. 185]

2. Result by $\Delta_{np} + Q_\alpha$



Results for drip lines

Existing atomic nuclei area by S_p, S_{pp}, S_n, S_{nn}

Results by Δ_{np}

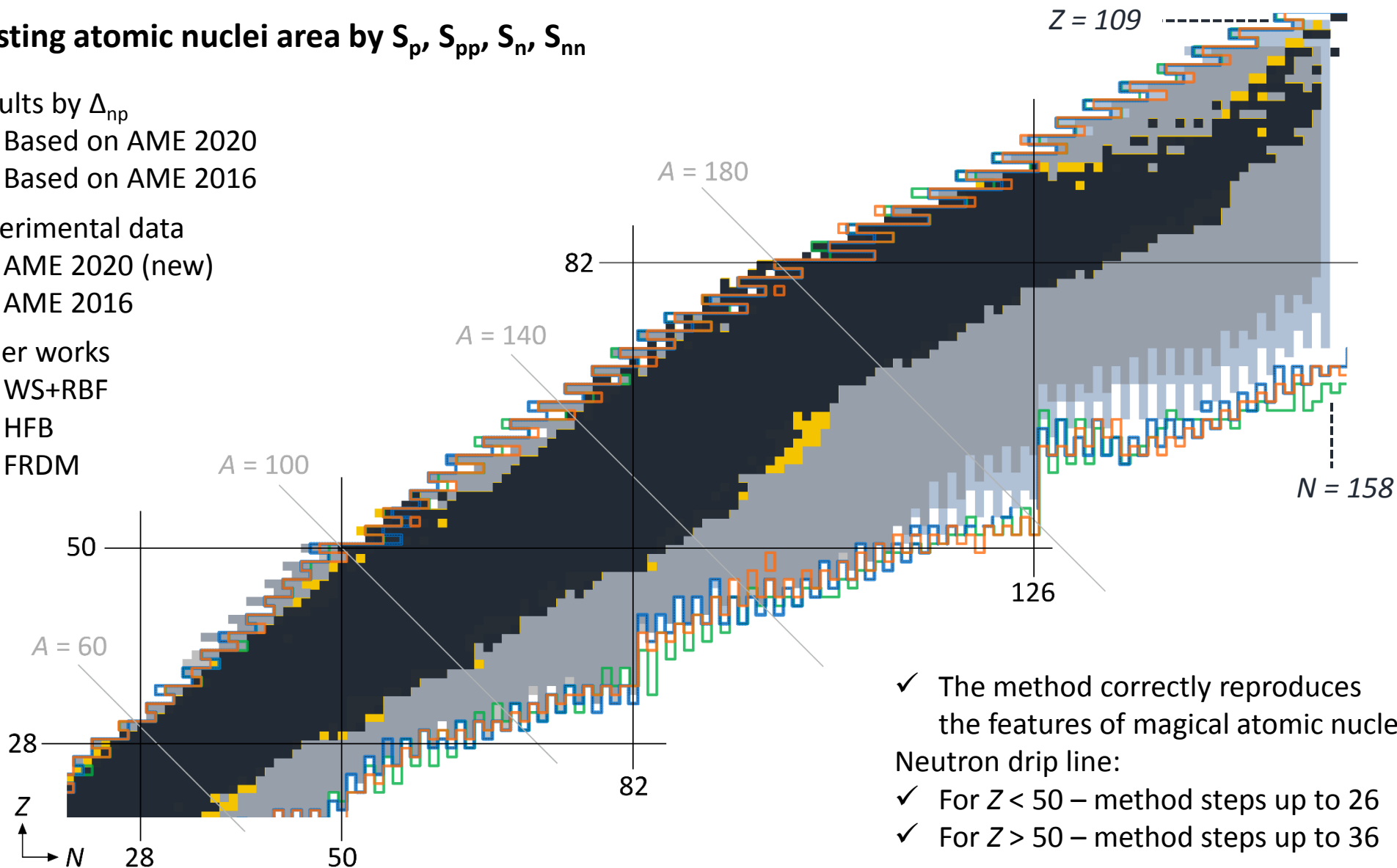
- Based on AME 2020
- Based on AME 2016

Experimental data

- AME 2020 (new)
- AME 2016

Other works

- WS+RBF
- HFB
- FRDM



- ✓ The method correctly reproduces the features of magical atomic nuclei
- Neutron drip line:
- ✓ For $Z < 50$ – method steps up to 26
- ✓ For $Z > 50$ – method steps up to 36

Method validation through r-process simulation

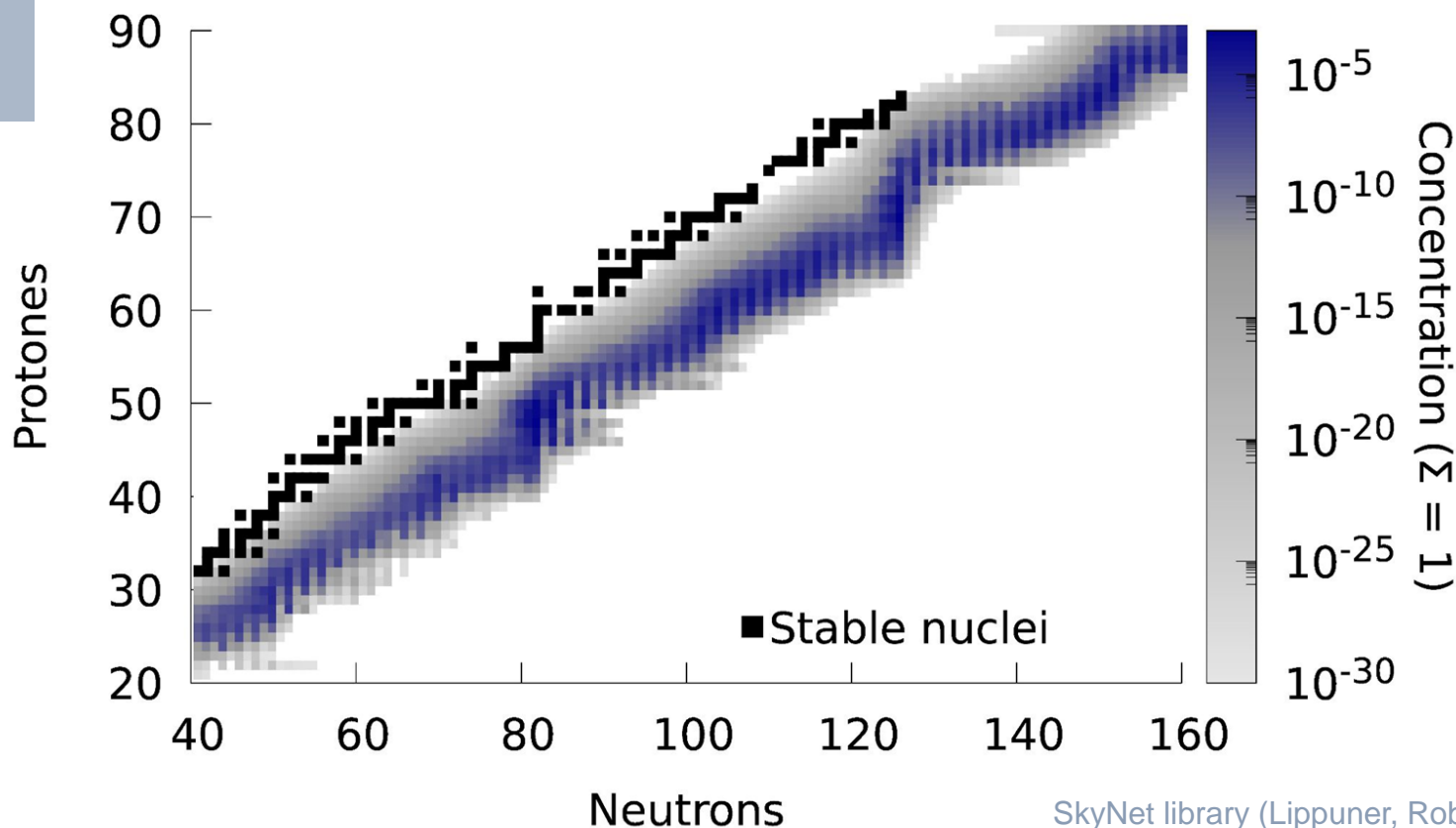
«Sensitivity of r-process simulation to choice of the mass model»

Negrebetskiy Vasily
(poster section)

Nucleosynthesis simulations depend on theoretical values of **reaction rates**:

$$\frac{dy_i}{dt} = \sum_{k \in K_i} \lambda_k g_k \prod_{l \in L_k} y_l$$

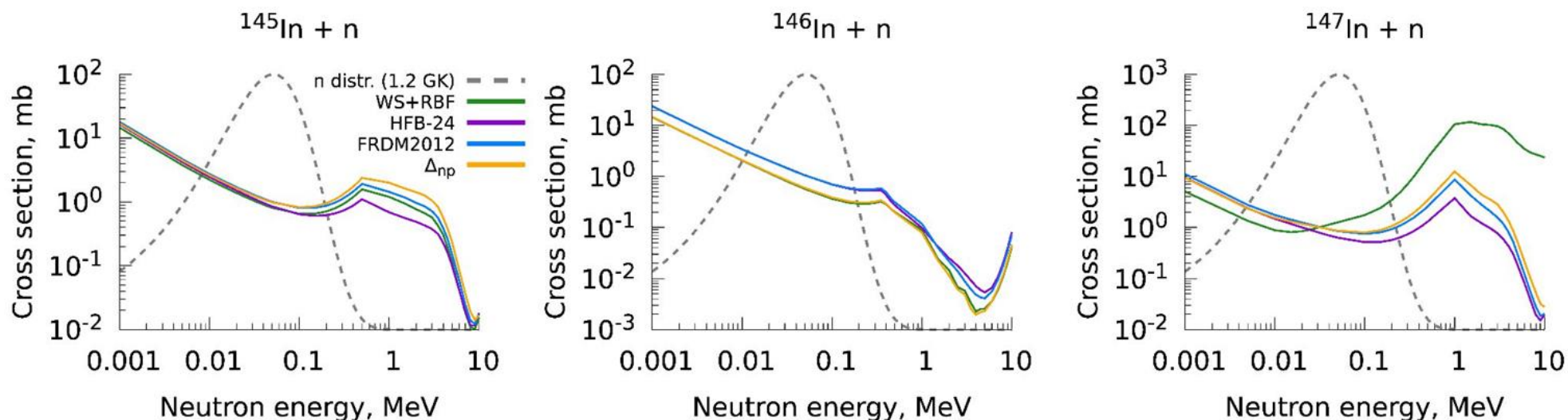
Results of simplified r-process model with standard REACLIB rates



Neutron capture cross sections calculation

Binding energies are essential values for statistical model of nuclear reaction.

Neutron-rich Indium isotopes (n, γ) cross sections with different mass models



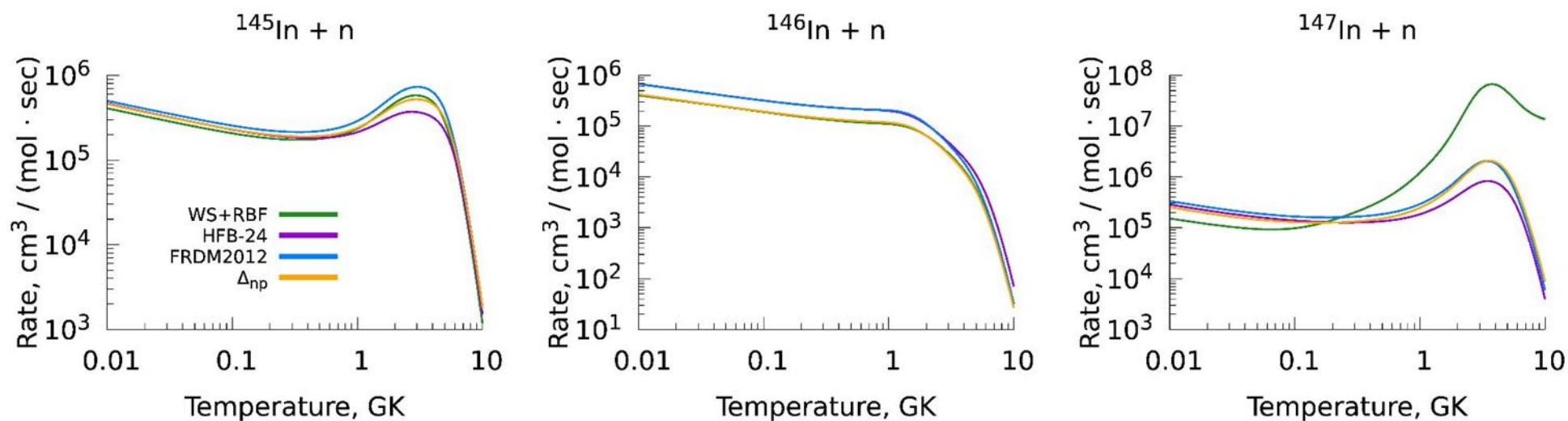
TALYS package (Koning et al., Nucl. D. Sheets. 2019)

Neutron capture rates calculation

Reaction rate calculation through cross sections:

$$\lambda(T) = \sqrt{\frac{8}{\pi m}} \frac{N_A}{(kT)^{3/2} G(T)} \int_0^\infty \sum_{\mu} \frac{(2I^\mu + 1)}{(2I^0 + 1)} \sigma^\mu(E) E \exp\left(-\frac{E + E_x^\mu}{kT}\right) dE$$

Neutron-rich Indium isotopes (n, γ) rates with different mass models

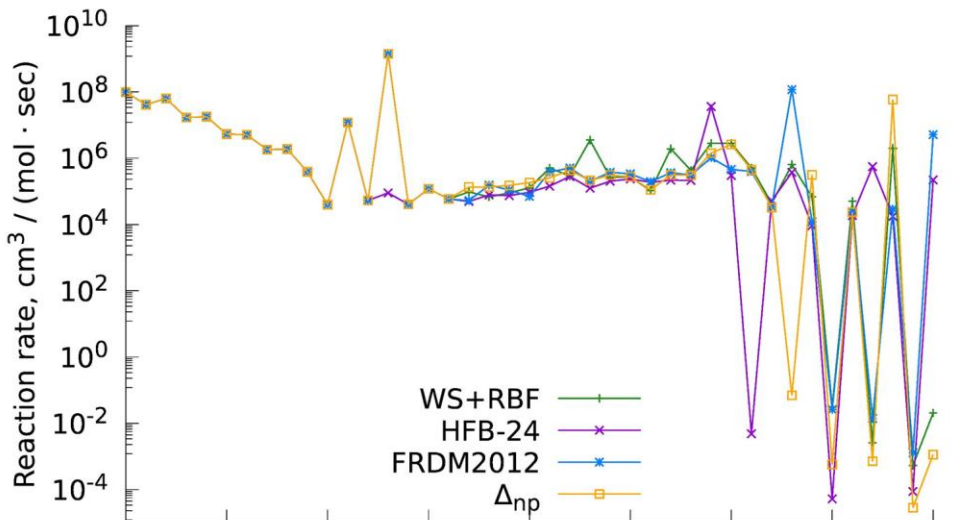


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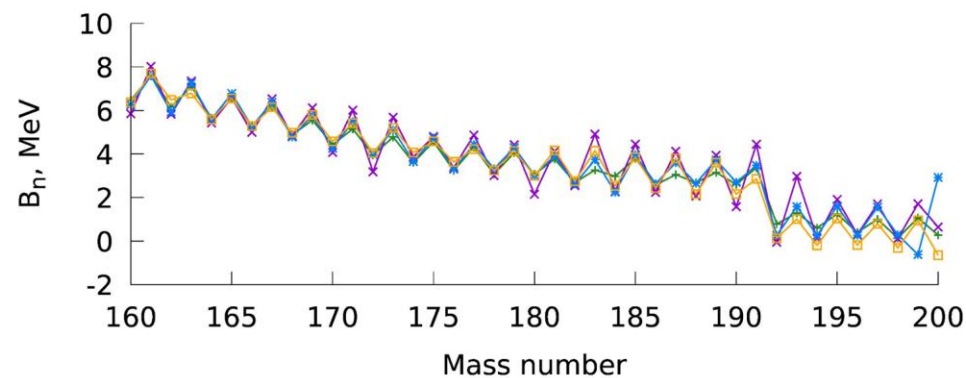
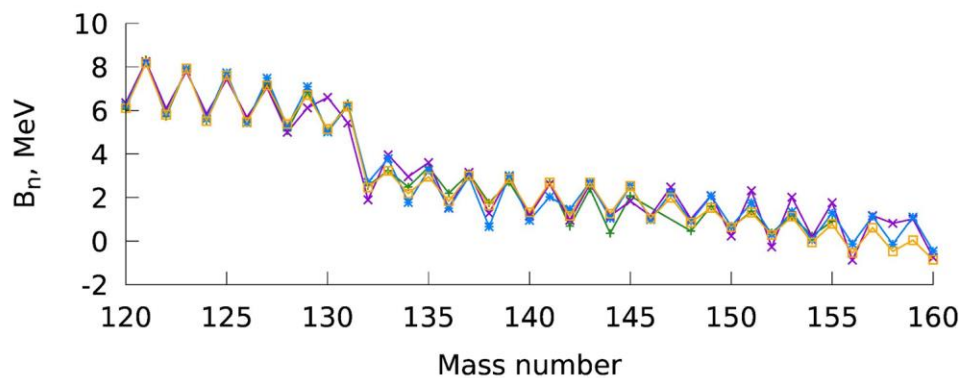
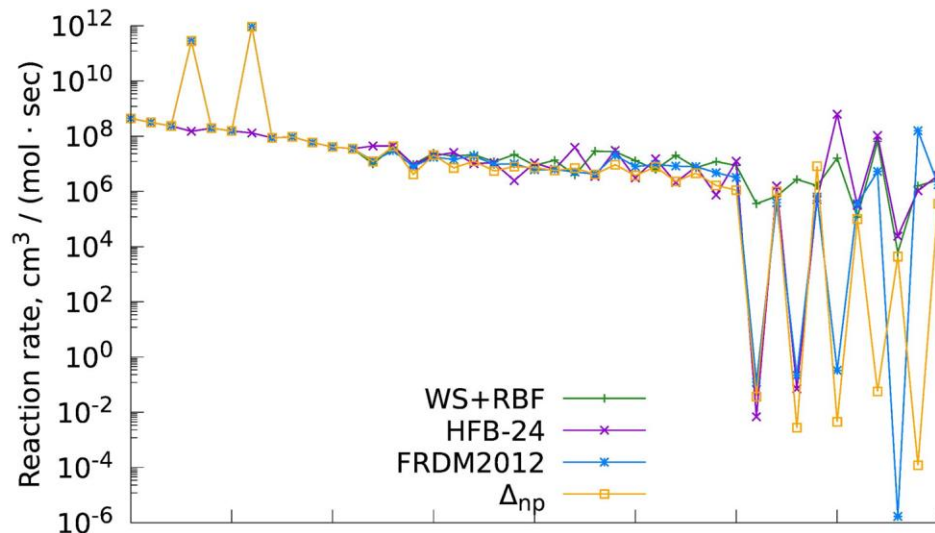
Sensitivity of (n, γ) rates to nuclear mass model

Theoretical rates of (n, γ) on neutron-rich isotopes

Indium



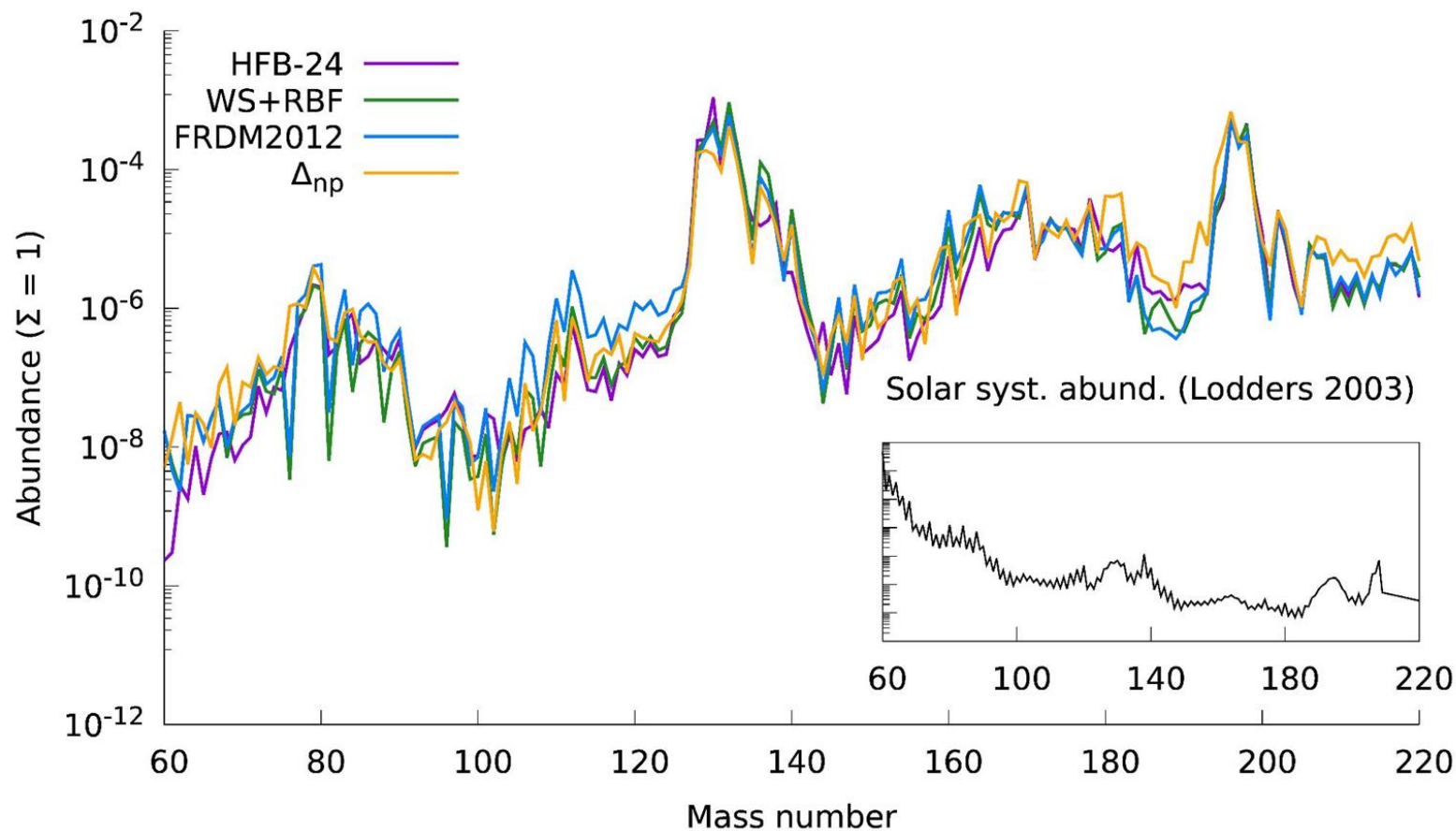
Terbium



r-process yields with different mass models



Results of r-process simulation with four mass models

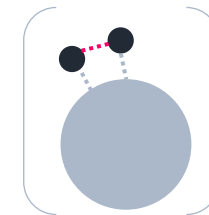


Conclusions

- ✓ Previous binding energies predictions based on Δ_{np} are verified with new experimental data from AME 2020. It is shown that the results accuracy is comparable to the other recent models
- ✓ A new approach to approximation is proposed. Based on several previous AME databases (2003, 2012 and 2016), it is shown that the new approximation improves result by 2-15%
- ✓ New predictions of binding energies based on AME 2020
- ✓ The calculation of the nucleosynthesis r-process product yield is shown. New predictions of binding energies are used to calculate the cross sections for the (n, γ) reaction

Thank you for your attention!

We would appreciate a detailed
discussion about our work
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Machine learning (ML) predictions

Preliminary results

Objective: test the applicability of machine learning methods for estimating binding energies

Results:

- ✓ The **best results are obtained with the SVR** algorithm (support vector regression)

As a first step, algorithms from the Scikit-learn (Python) library are used

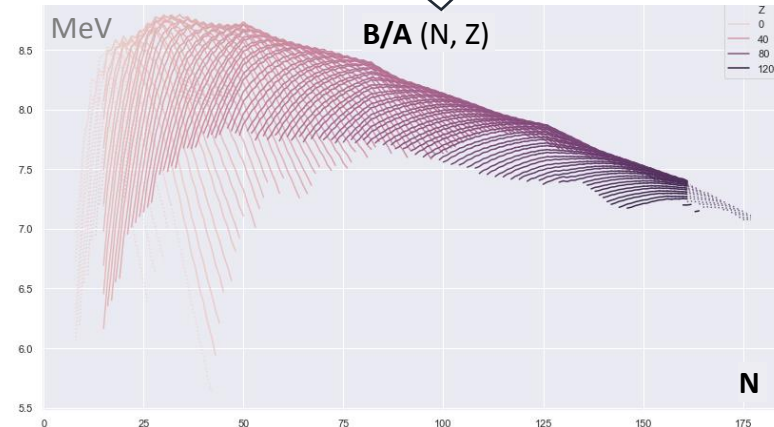
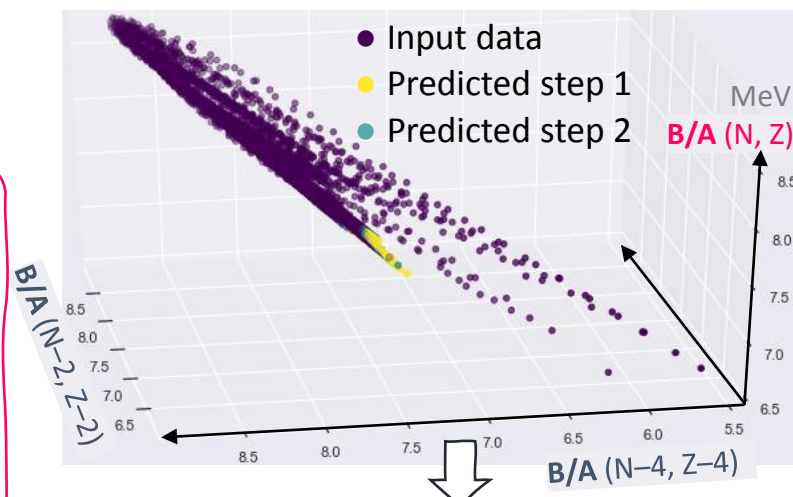
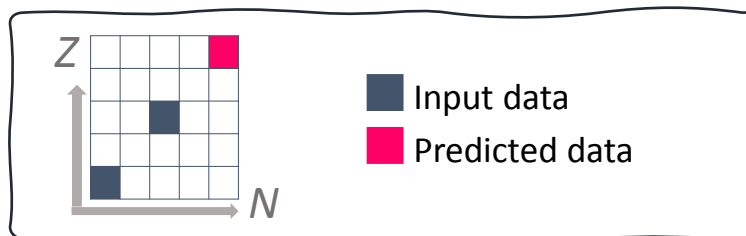
- ✓ The best results are obtained by using the energies of neighboring nuclei as input parameters to predict the energy of this nucleus: **$B/A(N, Z)$ prediction based on the B/A of nuclei $(N-2, Z-2)$ and $(N-4, Z-4)$**

Using as input parameters N, Z and their combinations to predict $B, B/A, \Delta_{np}, Q_{\alpha}$ showed unstable results

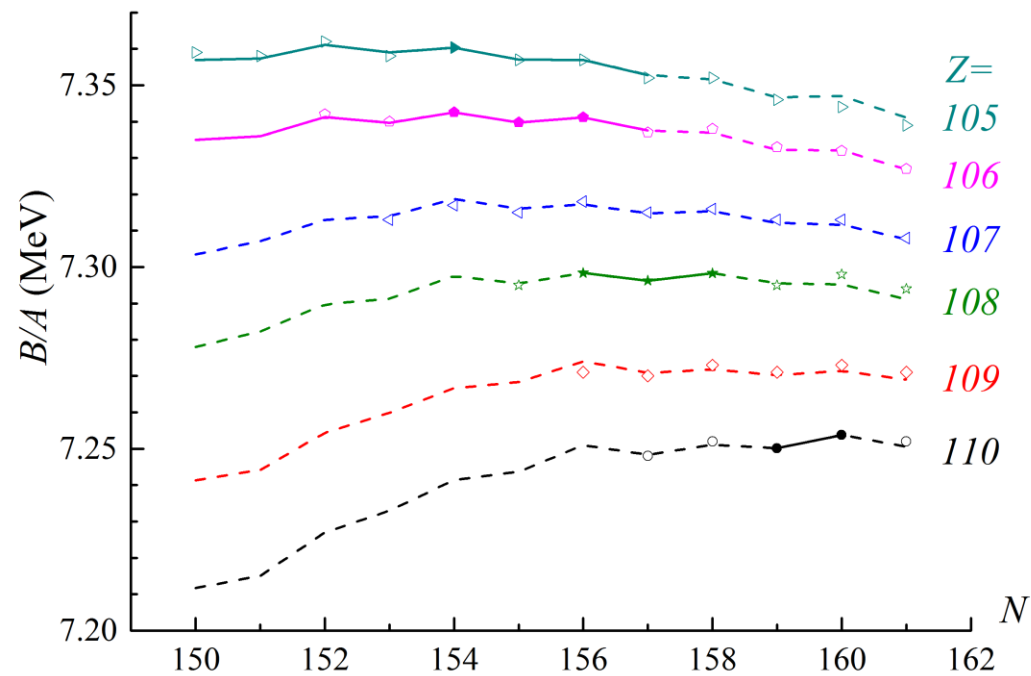
- ✓ A significantly better result was obtained when **expanding the input array of experimental data AME 2016 by our estimates from local mass relations method** (steps ≤ 15)

- ✓ The result is stable for at least 2 iterations of the ML algorithm

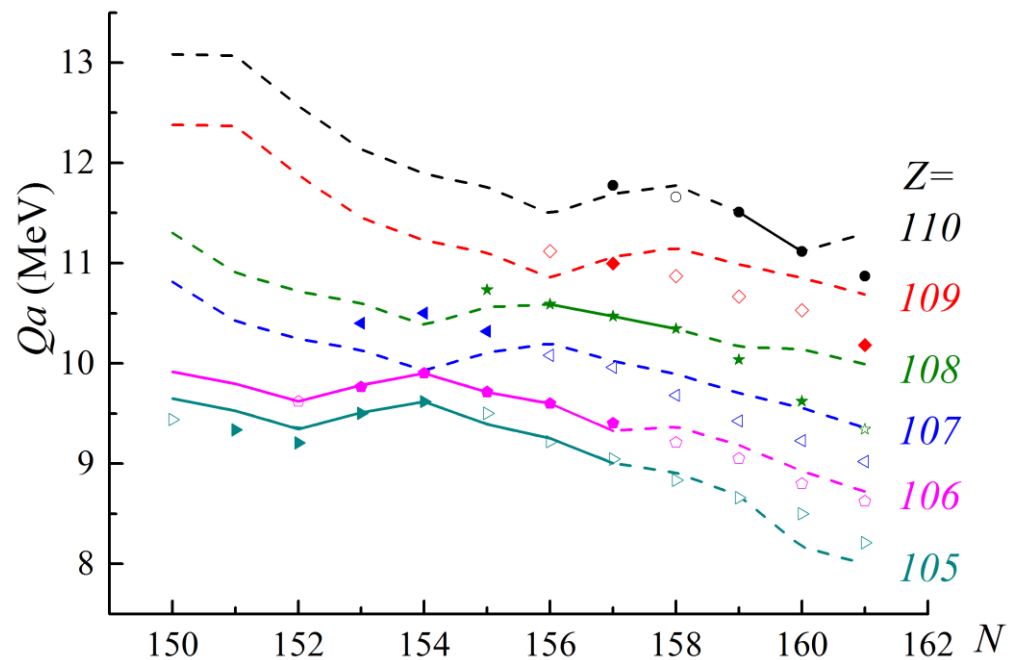
- 1) 3911 training array rows \rightarrow 97 predicted
- 2) 4008 training array rows \rightarrow 90 predicted



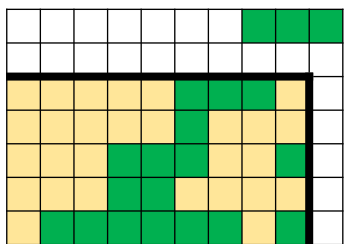
Specific binding energies



Alpha decay energies



$Z=106$



$N=157$

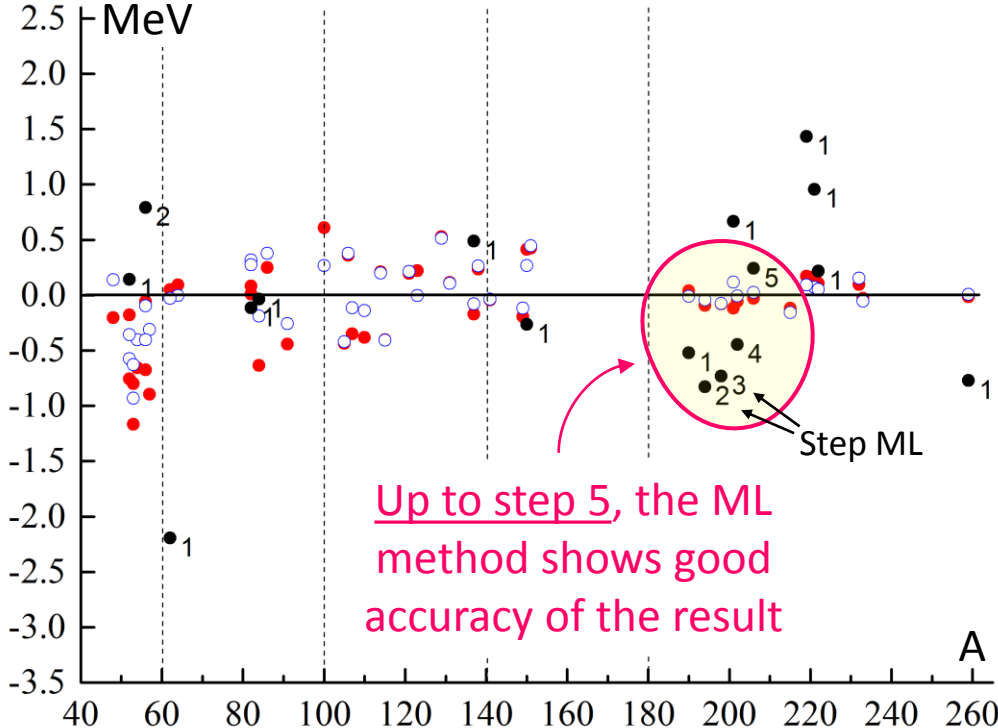
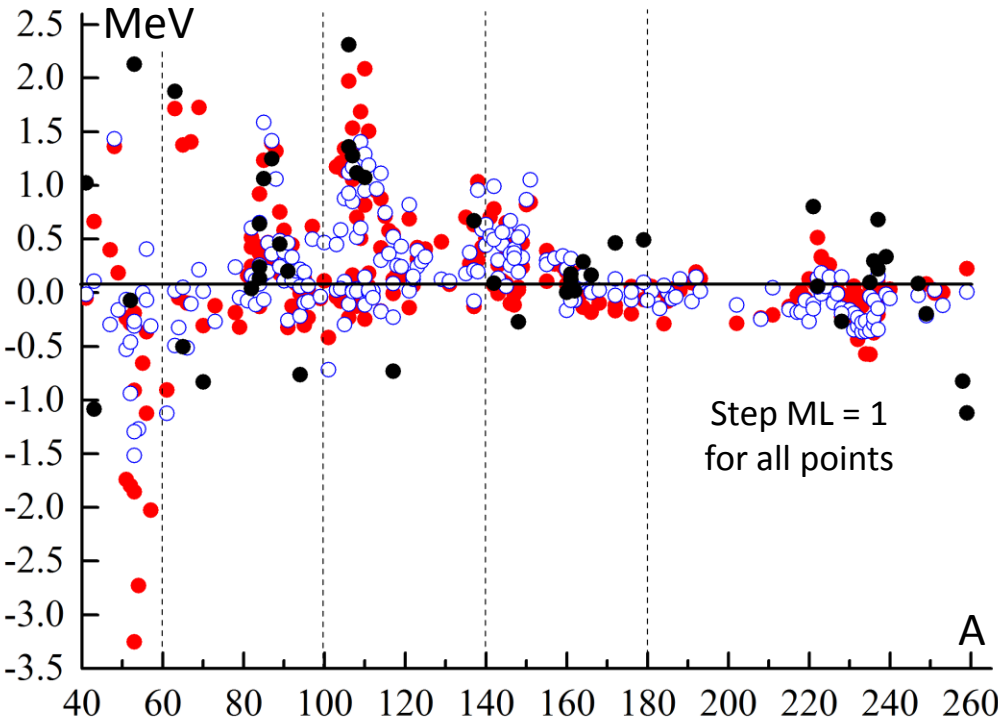
ML methods allowed to go beyond the boundaries of $Z = 106$, $N = 157$ (unattainable area for Δ_{np} estimates)

- Result by Δ_{np}
- Experiment + Result by ML
- Experiment (AME16)
- AME16 evaluation

Deviations of estimates and experimental data AME 2016

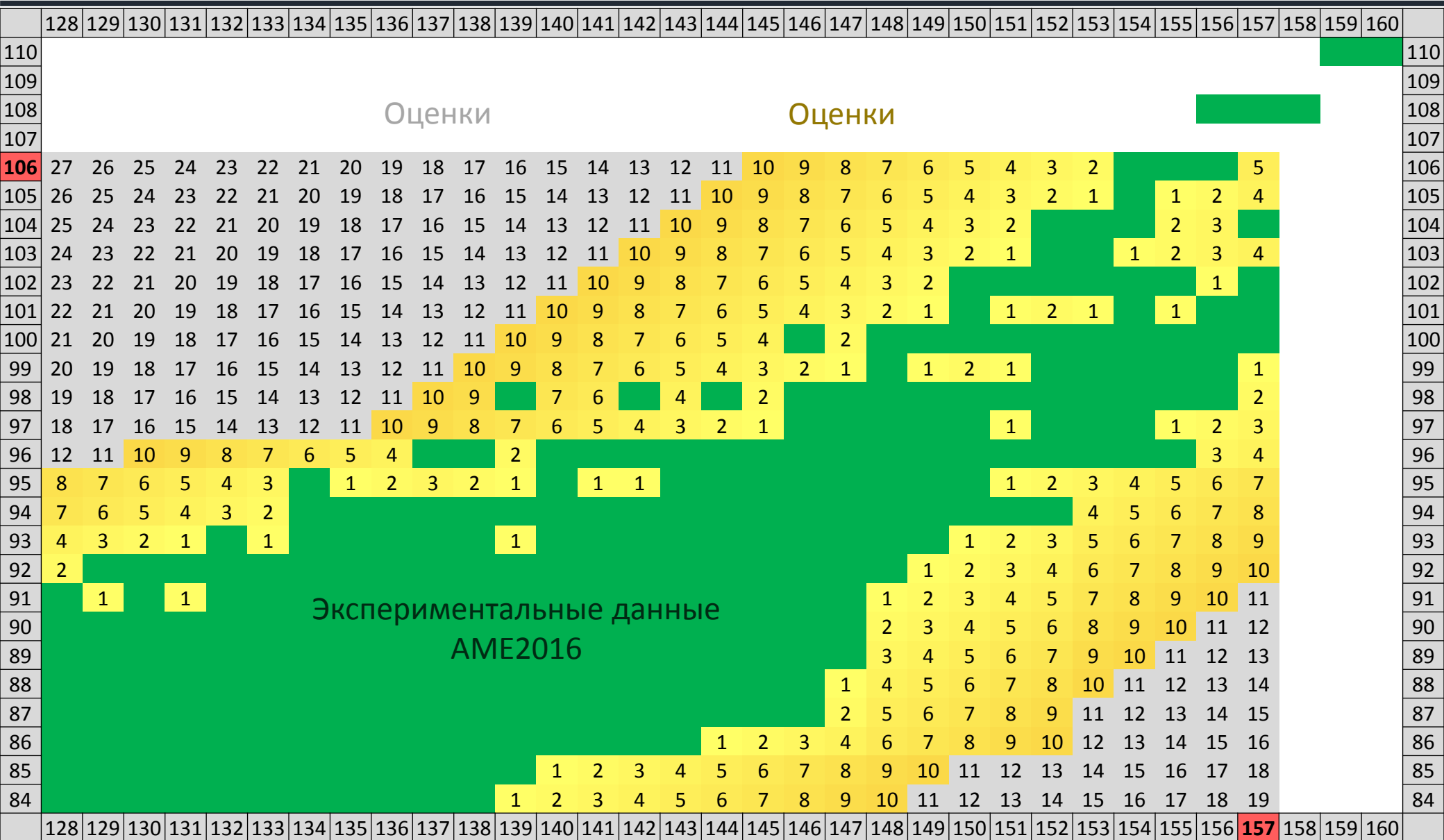
AME 2003

AME 2012



- Result by ML
- Result by Δ_{np}
- AME03/12 evaluation

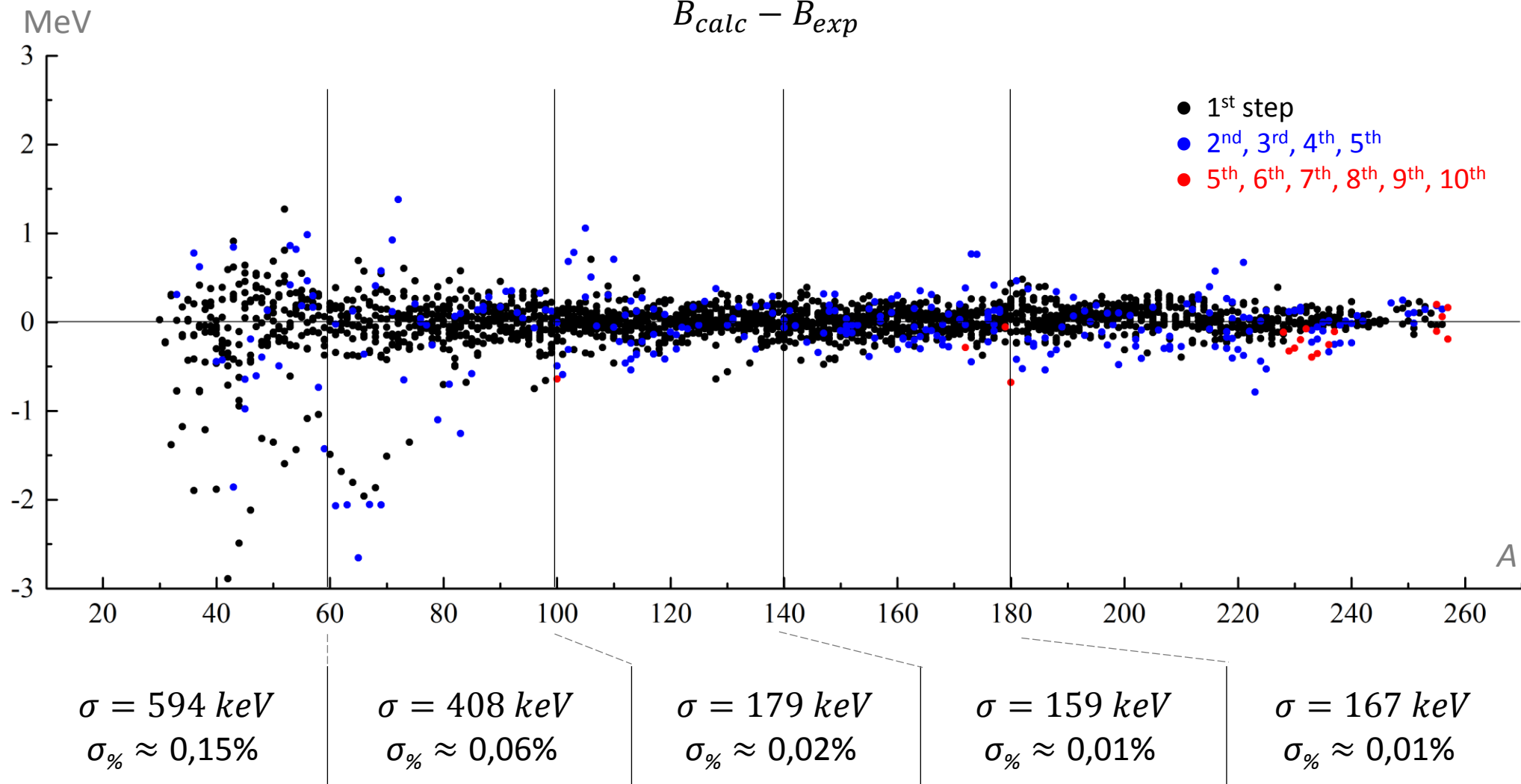
Результаты: полученные оценки энергий связи (NZ-диаграмма) – АМЕ 2016



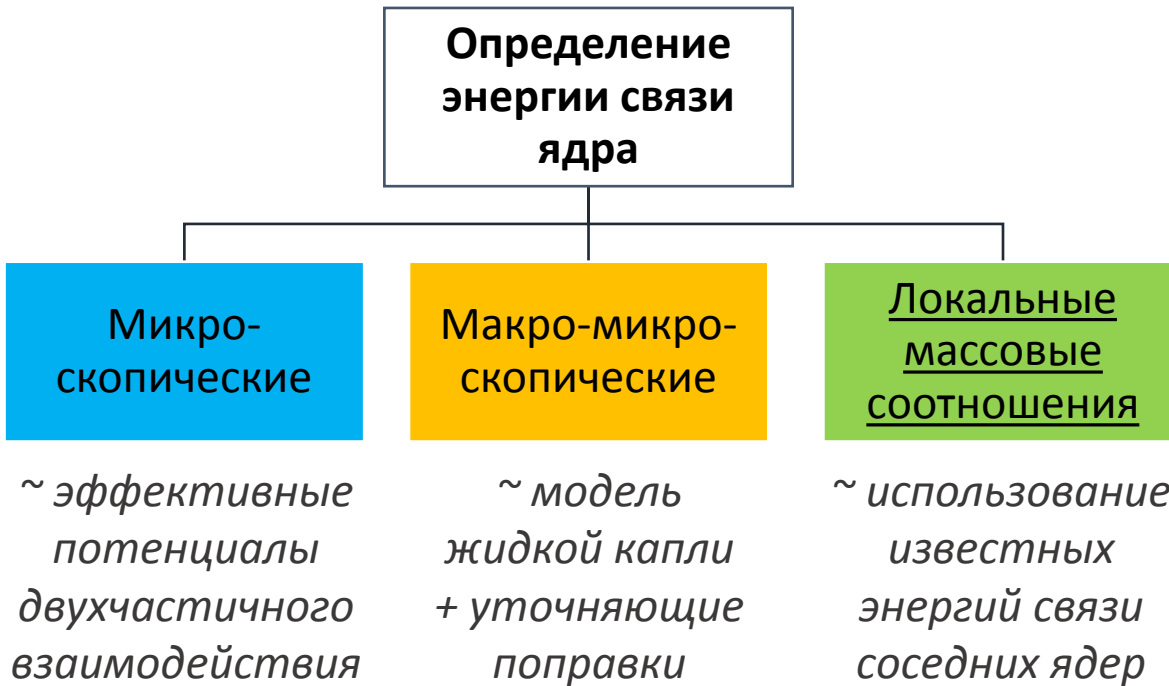
Method reliability (AME 2016)

Deviations of binding energy

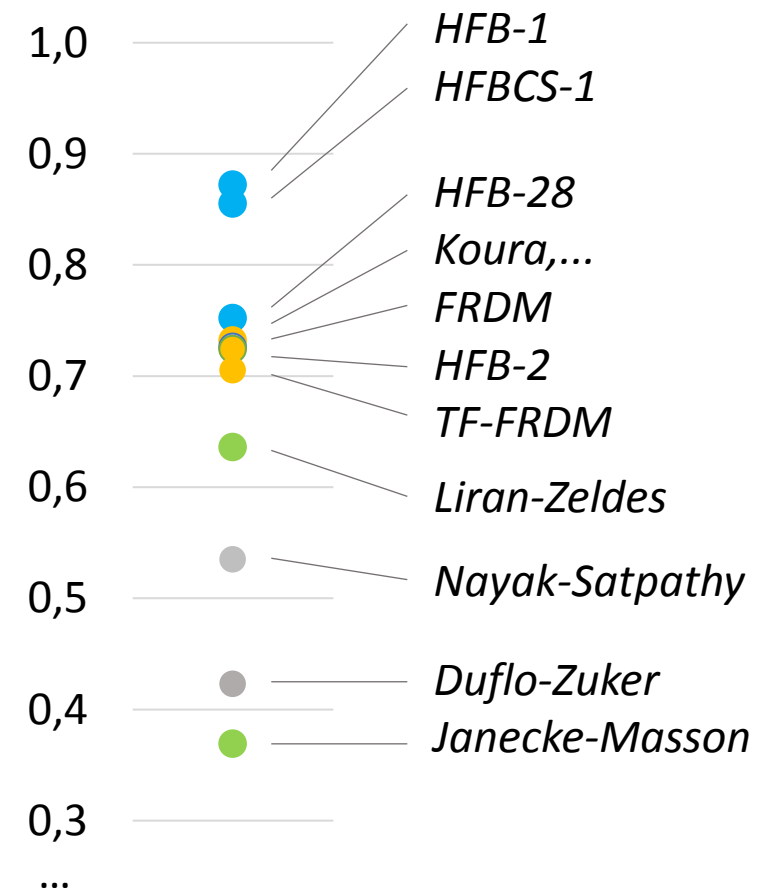
$$B_{calc} - B_{exp}$$



Подходы к предсказанию энергии связи



Среднеквадратичное отклонение теоретической оценки от экспериментальных данных (2 135 точек), МэВ



[D. Lunney, J. M. Pearson, C. Thibault. *Recent trends in the determination of nuclear masses* // Reviews Of Modern Physics 2003. Vol.75, N 3, p. 1021-1082]

Detailed illustration of the accuracy of currently used nuclear-mass models

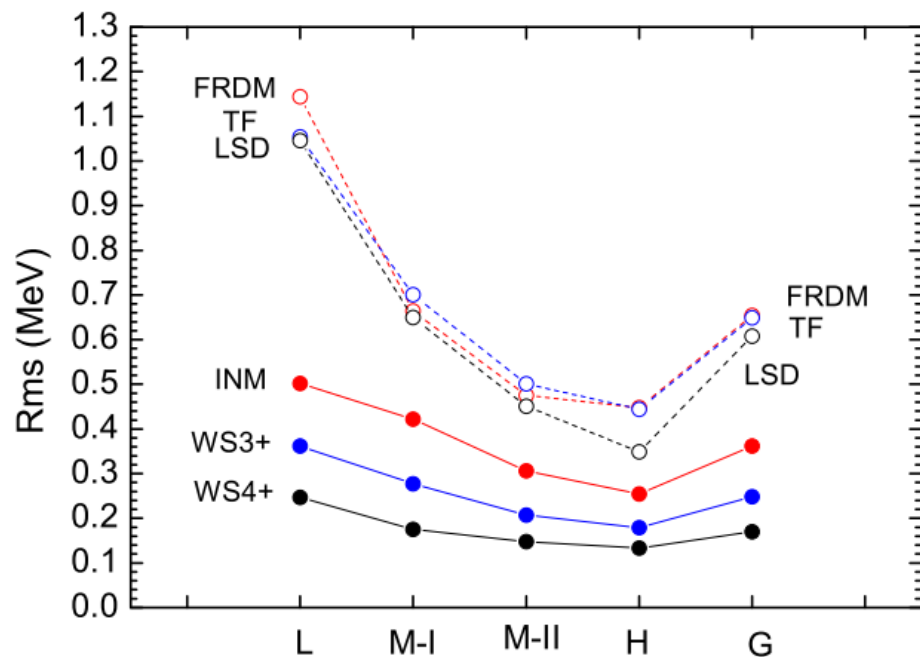


Fig. 1. (Color online) Dependence of the rms discrepancy on the region of nuclei for the FRDM, TF, LSD, INM, WS3+, and WS4+ models. The symbols: L, M-I, M-II, H and G denote the regions of light, medium-I, medium-II, heavy and global nuclei, respectively.

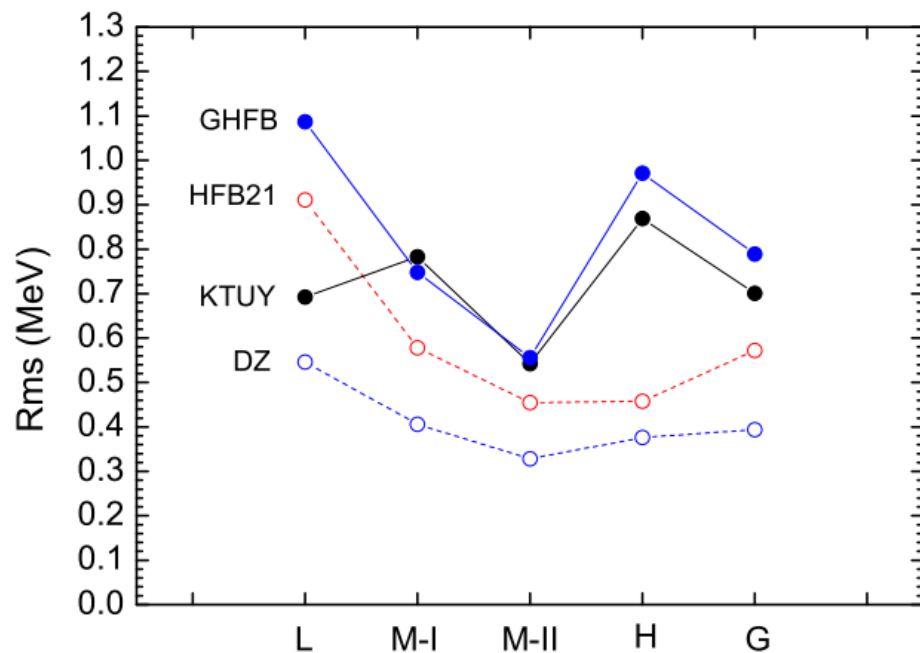


Fig. 2. (Color online) Same as in Fig. 1, but for the GHFB, HFB21, KTUY, and DZ models.