

# **Spurious states and stability condition in the extended RPA theories**

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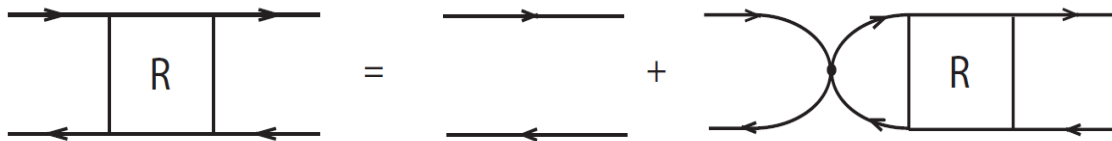
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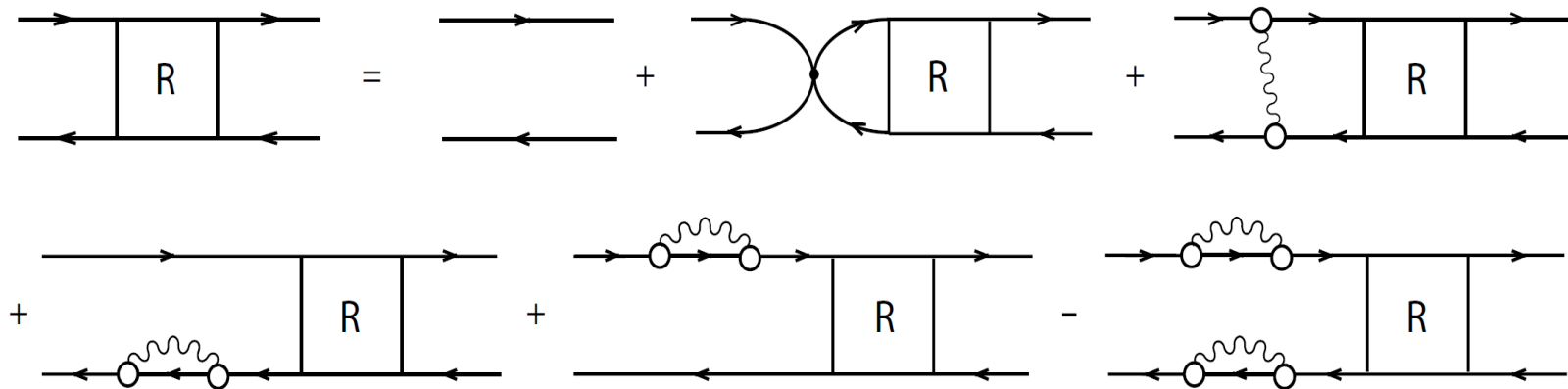
# Outline

- Description of nuclear excitations within the Random Phase Approximation (RPA) and the extended RPA (ERPA) theories.
- Problem of stability and spurious states in the calculations of nuclear excitations within the ERPA.
- Stability condition in the self-consistent RPA (Thouless theorem).
- Summary of the ERPA theories.
- Dielectric theorem and subtraction method.
- Elimination of the spurious states in the ERPA.
- Stability condition in the ERPA.
- The case of a schematic model.
- Calculations of the energies of the low-lying states of  $^{208}\text{Pb}$  within the ERPA based on the quasiparticle-phonon coupling model.
- Conclusions.

# Random Phase Approximation (RPA)



# Extended RPA (ERPA)



## Response function formalism

$$R^{\text{RPA}}(\omega) = -(\omega - \Omega^{\text{RPA}})^{-1} M^{\text{RPA}}$$

$$R^{\text{ERPA}}(\omega) = -(\omega - \Omega^{\text{ERPA}}(\omega))^{-1} M^{\text{RPA}}$$

$$\Pi(\omega) = -\langle Q | R(\omega) | Q \rangle = \sum_n \frac{\text{sgn}(\omega_n) B_n(Q)}{\omega - \omega_n}$$

# Energies of the two main low-lying isoscalar $2^+$ states of $^{48}\text{Ca}$ calculated within the RPA and the second RPA (SRPA) in a basis of 9 oscillator shells

[ P. Papakonstantinou and R. Roth, Phys. Rev. C **81** (2010) 024317 ]  
Effective interaction (UCOM) derived from the Argonne V18 potential was used.

Experimental data are taken from:  
T. Hartmann, J. Enders, P. Mohr, K. Vogt, S. Volz, and A. Zilges,  
Phys. Rev. C **65** (2002) 034301.

	RPA	SRPA	experiment
$\omega_1$ (MeV)	2.19	-4.44	3.83
$\omega_2$ (MeV)	8.12	$i \times 0.80$	8.88

## RPA equations in the self-consistent theory

$$\sum_{34} \Omega_{12,34}^{\text{RPA}} z_{34}^n = \omega_n z_{12}^n$$

$$\Omega_{12,34}^{\text{RPA}} = h_{13} \delta_{42} - \delta_{13} h_{42} + \sum_{56} M_{12,56}^{\text{RPA}} V_{56,34}$$

$$M_{12,34}^{\text{RPA}} = \delta_{13} \rho_{42} - \rho_{13} \delta_{42}$$

$$h_{12} = \frac{\delta E[\rho]}{\delta \rho_{21}}, \quad V_{12,34} = \frac{\delta^2 E[\rho]}{\delta \rho_{21} \delta \rho_{34}}$$

$$\rho^2 = \rho, \quad [h, \rho] = 0$$

# Thouless theorem in the case of the self-consistent RPA

[D.J. Thouless, Nucl. Phys. **22** (1961) 78]

$$\Omega^{\text{RPA}} = M^{\text{RPA}} \mathfrak{S}^{\text{RPA}}, \quad \mathfrak{S}^{\text{RPA}} = M^{\text{RPA}} \Omega^{\text{RPA}}$$

$$(M^{\text{RPA}})^\dagger = M^{\text{RPA}}, \quad (\mathfrak{S}^{\text{RPA}})^\dagger = \mathfrak{S}^{\text{RPA}}$$

$$\langle z | \mathfrak{S}^{\text{RPA}} | z \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall |z\rangle$$

$$\implies \Omega^{\text{RPA}} |z^n\rangle = \omega_n |z^n\rangle, \quad \omega_n^* = \omega_n$$

ERPA equations:

second RPA and the quasiparticle-phonon coupling (QPC) model within the time-blocking approximation (TBA)

$$\sum_{34} \Omega_{12,34}^{\text{ERPA}}(\omega_\nu) z_{34}^\nu = \omega_\nu z_{12}^\nu$$

$$\Omega^{\text{ERPA}}(\omega) = \Omega^{\text{RPA}} + M^{\text{RPA}} W(\omega)$$

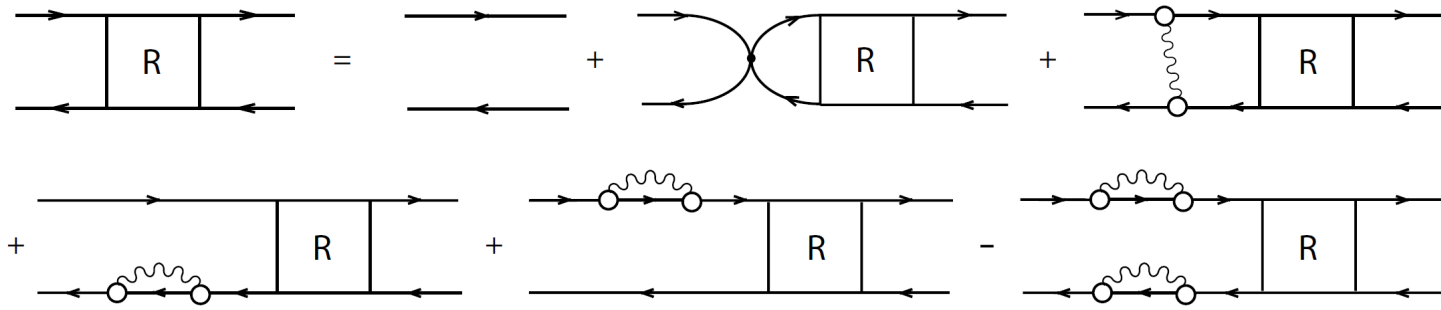
$$W(\omega) = F(\omega - M^{\text{C}} \mathfrak{S}^{\text{C}})^{-1} M^{\text{C}} F^\dagger \quad F = (F^{(+)}, F^{(-)})$$

$$\mathfrak{S}^{\text{C}} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathfrak{S}^{\text{C}(+)} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathfrak{S}^{\text{C}(-)} \end{pmatrix}, \quad M^{\text{C}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathfrak{S}^{\text{C}(-)} = \mathfrak{S}^{\text{C}(+)*}, \quad M^{\text{RPA}} F^{(\pm)} = \pm F^{(\pm)}$$



## ERPA: QPC+TBA model



$$W_{12,34}(\omega) = \sum_{c, \sigma} \frac{\sigma F_{12}^{c(\sigma)} F_{34}^{c(\sigma)*}}{\omega - \sigma \Omega_c} \quad \sigma = \pm 1$$

$$c = \{p', h', n\} \quad \Omega_c = \varepsilon_{p'} - \varepsilon_{h'} + \omega_n, \quad \omega_n > 0$$

$$F_{12}^{c(-)} = F_{21}^{c(+)*} \quad F_{ph}^{c(-)} = F_{hp}^{c(+)} = 0.$$

$$F_{ph}^{c(+)} = \delta_{pp'} g_{h'h}^n - \delta_{h'h} g_{pp'}^n, \quad g_{12}^n = \sum_{34} V_{12,34} z_{34}^n$$

## Response function formalism and the dielectric theorem

[ O. Bohigas, A. M. Lane, and J. Martorell, Phys. Rep. **51** (1979) 267 ]

$$\Pi(\omega) = -\langle Q | R(\omega) | Q \rangle = \sum_n \frac{\text{sgn}(\omega_n) B_n(Q)}{\omega - \omega_n}$$

$$\Pi^{\text{RPA}}(0) = -2m_{-1}^{\text{RPA}} = \left( \frac{d}{d\lambda} \text{Tr} (\rho^{(\lambda)} Q) \right)_{\lambda=0}$$

Density Functional Theory:

$$\mathcal{E}[\rho, \lambda] = E[\rho] + \lambda \text{Tr} (\rho Q)$$

$$E[\rho] \sim H, \quad \mathcal{E}[\rho, \lambda] \sim H + \lambda Q$$

$H$  is a total Hamiltonian

## Subtraction method

[ for more details see: V.I. Tselyaev, arXiv: 1308.1429 ]

$$R^{\text{RPA}}(\omega) = -(\omega - \Omega^{\text{RPA}})^{-1} M^{\text{RPA}}$$

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$$\Pi(\omega) = -\langle Q | R(\omega) | Q \rangle$$

$$\Omega^{\text{ERPA}}(0) = \Omega^{\text{RPA}} \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \Pi^{\text{ERPA}}(0) = \Pi^{\text{RPA}}(0)$$

$$\Omega^{\text{ERPA}}(\omega) = \Omega^{\text{RPA}} + M^{\text{RPA}} [ W(\omega) - \kappa W(0) ]$$

$$\kappa = 1$$

## Spurious states in the RPA

$$R^{\text{RPA}}(\omega) = -\frac{a^{(0,2)}}{\omega^2} - \frac{a^{(0,1)}}{\omega} - \sum_n' \frac{\text{sgn}(\omega_n) |z^n\rangle\langle z^n|}{\omega - \omega_n}$$

$$\Omega^{\text{RPA}} a^{(0,1)} = a^{(0,2)}, \quad \Omega^{\text{RPA}} a^{(0,2)} = 0$$

$$a^{(0,1)} M^{\text{RPA}} a^{(0,k)} = a^{(0,k)}, \quad k = 1, 2$$

$$P = 1 - a^{(0,1)} M^{\text{RPA}}, \quad P^2 = P$$

$$P a^{(0,k)} = 0, \quad k = 1, 2; \quad P |z^n\rangle = |z^n\rangle, \quad \omega_n \neq 0$$

## Elimination of the spurious states in the ERPA

$$W^\perp(\omega) = P^\dagger W(\omega) P$$

$$\langle z^n | W^\perp(\omega) | z^{n'} \rangle = \langle z^n | W(\omega) | z^{n'} \rangle$$

$$W(\omega) \rightarrow W^\perp(\omega) \quad (F \rightarrow P^\dagger F)$$

$$R^{\text{ERPA}}(\omega) = R^{\text{RPA}}(\omega) - R^{\text{RPA}}(\omega) \bar{W}^\perp(\omega) R^{\text{ERPA}}(\omega)$$

$$\bar{W}^\perp(\omega) = W^\perp(\omega) - W^\perp(0)$$

$$\bar{W}^\perp(\omega) a^{(0,k)} = a^{(0,k)} \bar{W}^\perp(\omega) = 0, \quad k = 1, 2$$

## ERPA equation in the extended space

$$\Omega^{\text{ERPA}}(\omega_\nu) |z^\nu\rangle = \omega_\nu |z^\nu\rangle$$

$$\Omega^{\text{ERPA}}(\omega) = \Omega^{\text{RPA}} + M^{\text{RPA}} [W(\omega) - \kappa W(0)]$$

$$\hat{\Omega}^{\text{ERPA}} = \begin{pmatrix} \Omega^{\text{RPA}(\kappa)} & M^{\text{RPA}} F \\ M^{\text{C}} F^\dagger & M^{\text{C}} \mathfrak{S}^{\text{C}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Omega^{\text{RPA}(\kappa)} = \Omega^{\text{RPA}} + \kappa M^{\text{RPA}} F (\mathfrak{S}^{\text{C}})^{-1} F^\dagger$$

$$\hat{\Omega}^{\text{ERPA}} |Z^\nu\rangle = \omega_\nu |Z^\nu\rangle \quad |Z^\nu\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} |z^\nu\rangle \\ |\zeta^\nu\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

## Stability condition in the ERPA

$$\widehat{\Omega}^{\text{ERPA}} = M^{\text{ERPA}} \mathfrak{S}^{\text{ERPA}} \quad \mathfrak{S}^{\text{ERPA}} = M^{\text{ERPA}} \widehat{\Omega}^{\text{ERPA}}$$

$$M^{\text{ERPA}} = \begin{pmatrix} M^{\text{RPA}} & 0 \\ 0 & M^{\text{C}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\langle Z | \mathfrak{S}^{\text{ERPA}} | Z \rangle = \langle z | \mathfrak{S}^{\text{RPA}} | z \rangle + \langle \zeta' | \mathfrak{S}^{\text{C}} | \zeta' \rangle \\ + (\kappa - 1) \langle \zeta'' | \mathfrak{S}^{\text{C}} | \zeta'' \rangle$$

$$|Z\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} |z\rangle \\ |\zeta\rangle \end{pmatrix}, \quad |\zeta'\rangle = |\zeta\rangle + |\zeta''\rangle, \quad |\zeta''\rangle = (\mathfrak{S}^{\text{C}})^{-1} F^\dagger |z\rangle$$

$$\langle z | \mathfrak{S}^{\text{RPA}} | z \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall |z\rangle; \quad \langle \zeta | \mathfrak{S}^{\text{C}} | \zeta \rangle > 0, \quad \forall |\zeta\rangle \neq 0$$

$$\kappa \geq 1 \quad \implies \quad \langle Z | \mathfrak{S}^{\text{ERPA}} | Z \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall |Z\rangle$$

## Subtraction method: Acceleration of the convergence

$$\bar{W}(\omega) = W(\omega) - W(0)$$

$$W(\omega) = \sum_{c, \sigma} \frac{\sigma |F^{c(\sigma)}\rangle\langle F^{c(\sigma)}|}{\omega - \sigma \Omega_c}$$

$$W(\omega) = - \sum_{c, \sigma} \frac{|F^{c(\sigma)}\rangle\langle F^{c(\sigma)}|}{\Omega_c} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\sigma\omega}{\Omega_c}\right)^m$$

$$\bar{W}(\omega) = - \sum_{c, \sigma} \frac{|F^{c(\sigma)}\rangle\langle F^{c(\sigma)}|}{\Omega_c} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\sigma\omega}{\Omega_c}\right)^m$$



## The case of a schematic model: RPA

$$\Omega^{\text{RPA}} = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ -B & -A \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathfrak{G}^{\text{RPA}} = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ B & A \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M^{\text{RPA}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = \varepsilon_p - \varepsilon_h + V_{ph,ph}, \quad B = V_{ph,hp}$$

$$\omega_{\text{RPA}\pm} = \pm \omega_{\text{RPA}}, \quad \omega_{\text{RPA}} = \sqrt{A^2 - B^2}$$

$$s_{\pm}^{\text{RPA}} = A \pm |B| \quad \Longrightarrow \quad A \geq |B|$$

## The case of a schematic model: ERPA

$$|F_{ph}^{c(+)}|^2 = |F_{hp}^{c(-)}|^2 = g^2, \quad F_{ph}^{c(-)} = F_{hp}^{c(+)} = 0$$

$$\Omega^{\text{ERPA}}(\omega) = \begin{pmatrix} A_\kappa + C(\omega) & B \\ -B & -A_\kappa - C(-\omega) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A_\kappa = A + \frac{\kappa g^2}{\Omega_c}, \quad C(\omega) = \frac{g^2}{\omega - \Omega_c}$$

$$\beta = B/A, \quad \gamma = g/\sqrt{A\Omega_c}, \quad \omega_c = \Omega_c/A$$

$$\bar{s}_\pm^{\text{RPA}} = s_\pm^{\text{RPA}}/A = 1 \pm |\beta|$$

## The case of a schematic model: The ERPA eigenvalue equation

$$\det \left( \Omega^{\text{ERPA}}(\omega_\nu) - \omega_\nu \right) = 0, \quad \omega_\nu = \pm \omega_\tau, \quad \tau = \pm 1$$

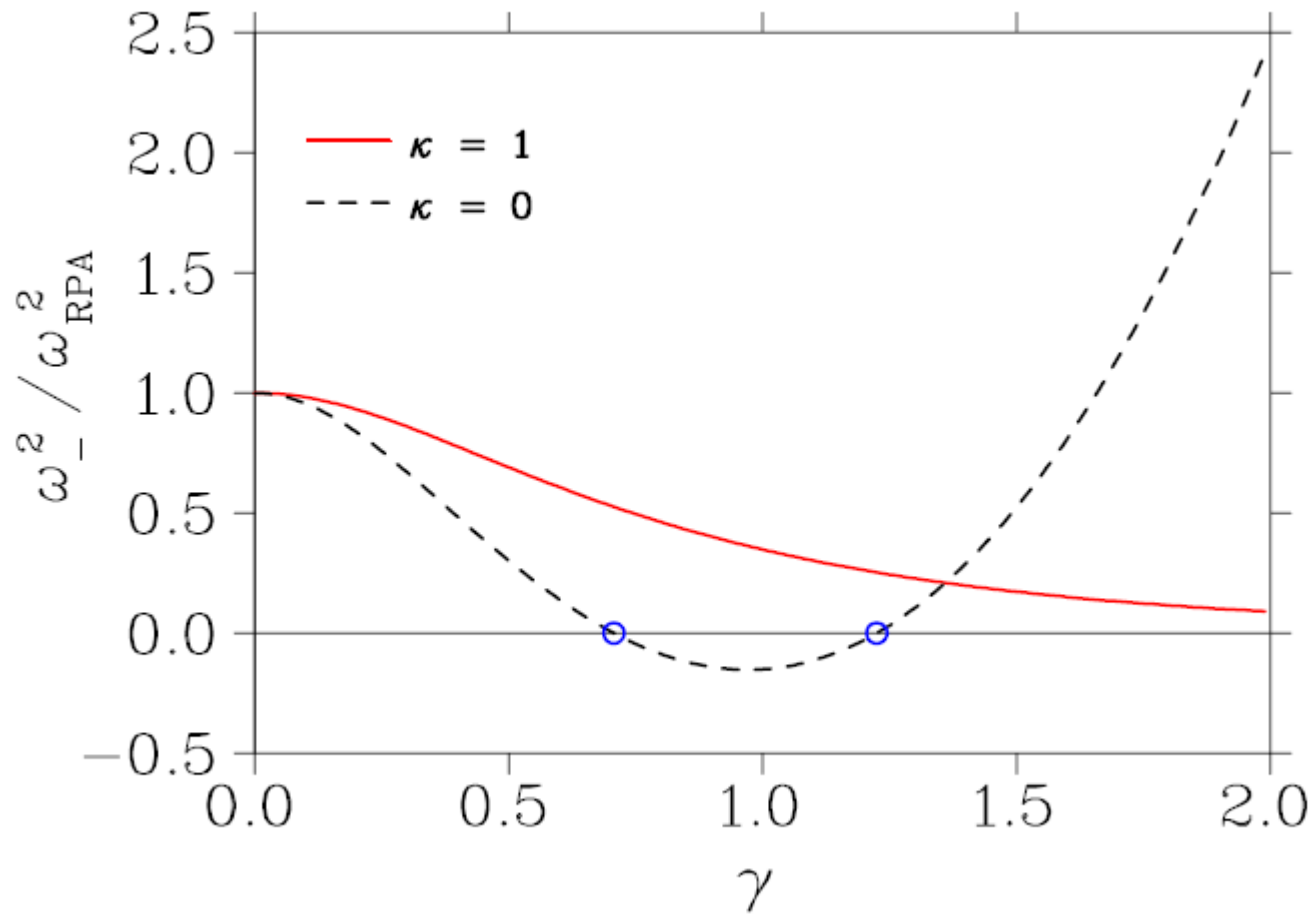
$$\omega_\tau^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( U_\kappa^2 + \tau D_\kappa^2 \right)$$

$$U_\kappa^2 = A^2 \left[ (1 + \kappa \gamma^2)^2 + \omega_c^2 - \beta^2 + 2\omega_c \gamma^2 \right]$$

$$D_\kappa^4 = U_\kappa^4 + 4A^4 \omega_c^2 \left( \beta^2 - [1 + (\kappa - 1) \gamma^2]^2 \right)$$

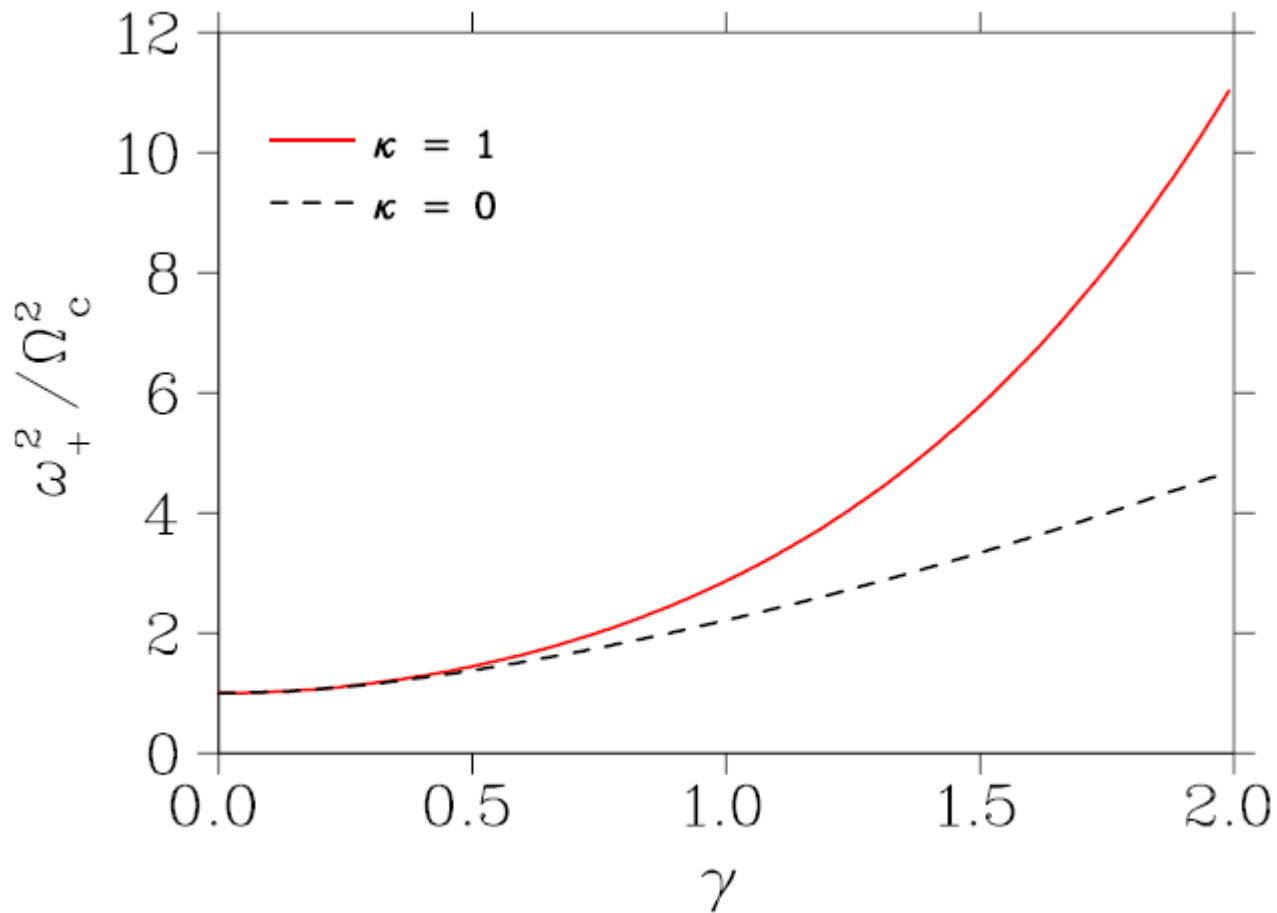
## The case of a schematic model.

Dependence of the squared ERPA eigenvalue  $\omega_-$  on the parameter  $\gamma$ .  
Calculation with  $\beta = 0.5$  and  $\omega_c = 2$ .



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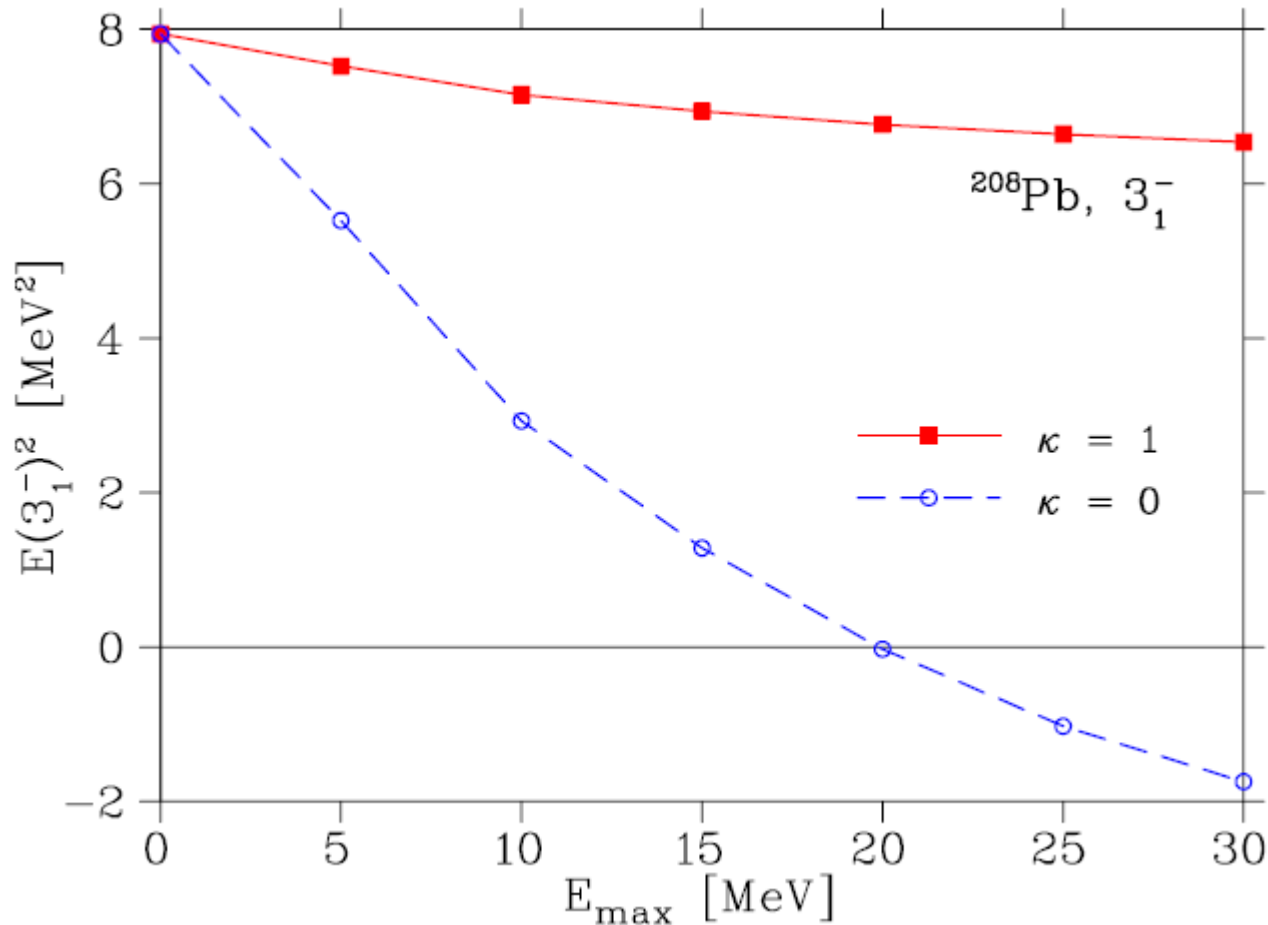
Dependence of the squared ERPA eigenvalue  $\omega_+$  on the parameter  $\gamma$ .  
Calculation with  $\beta = 0.5$  and  $\omega_c = 2$ .



## The ERPA within the QPC+TBA model.

Dependence of the squared energy of the first  $3^-$  level in  $^{208}\text{Pb}$  on the maximal phonon's energy of the phonon basis.

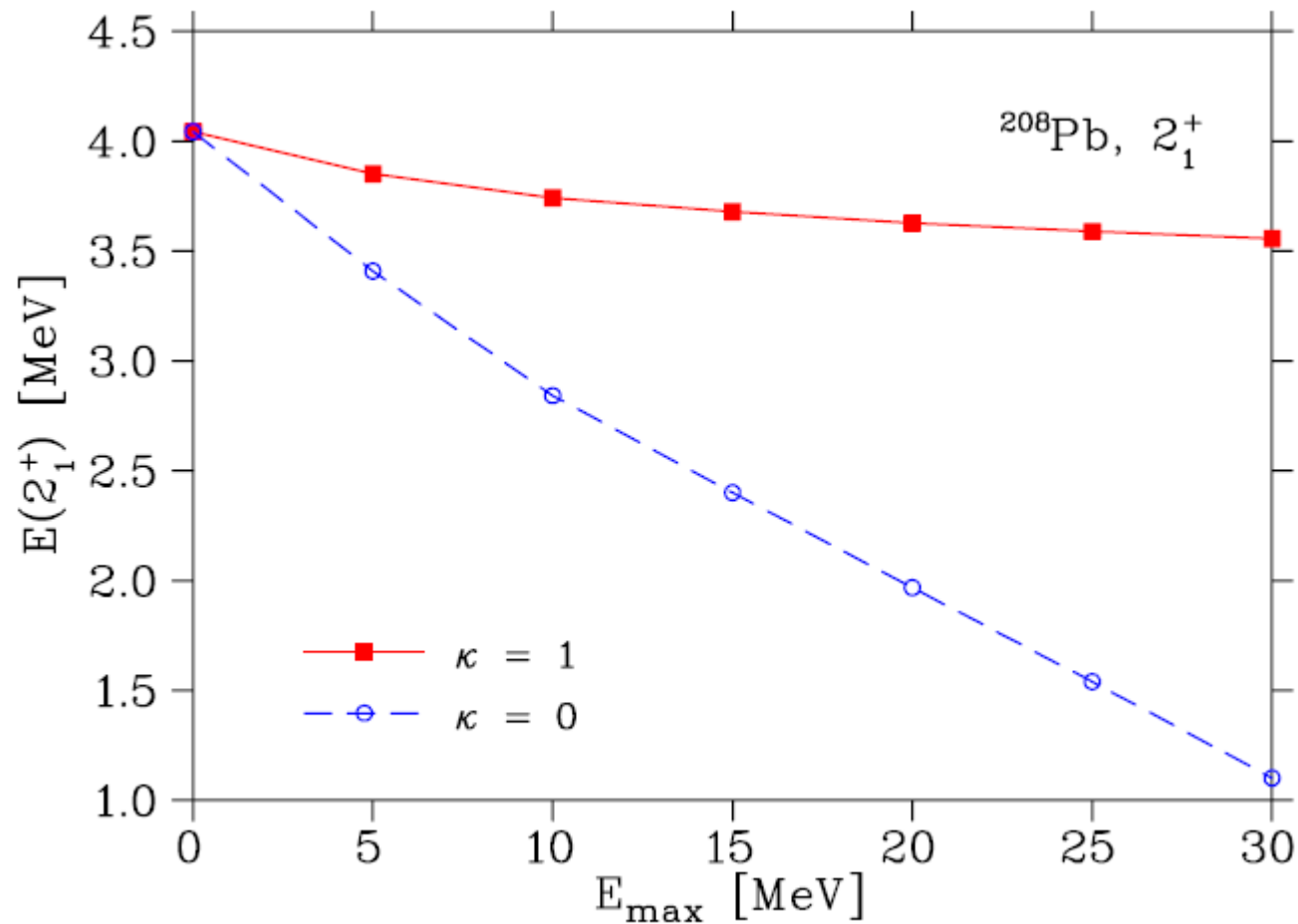
The HF mean field is calculated with the T6 Skyrme force.



## The ERPA within the QPC+TBA model.

Dependence of the energy of the first  $2^+$  level in  $^{208}\text{Pb}$  on the maximal phonon's energy of the phonon basis.

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# Conclusions

- Calculations in a large model configuration space is one of the trends in the modern nuclear structure theories.
- These calculations lead to a very large downward energy shifts of the resonances in the ERPA as compared with the RPA results. In some cases, the low-lying states in the ERPA theories become unstable.
- The instability problem in the ERPA can be resolved by means of the use of the subtraction method. This method also results in the acceleration of the convergence.
- Elimination of the coupling of the spurious states to the physical modes in the ERPA is ensured by the projection technique.



Thank you!