Parity-violating electron scattering

Z_0 of Weak Interaction

M_Z=90.19 GeV!

Parity Violating Asymmetry

$$A = \frac{\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_R - \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_L}{\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_R + \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_L} = \frac{G_F Q^2}{2\pi\alpha\sqrt{2}}\left[\underbrace{1 - 4\sin^2\theta_W}_{\approx 0} - \frac{F_n(Q^2)}{F_P(Q^2)}\right] \sim 7\cdot 10^{-7}$$

Weinberg angle: $\sin^2\theta_W = 0.23120 \pm 0.00015$

	proton	neutron
Electric charge	1	0
Weak charge	0.08	1

A comment: Yukawa potential

$$V_Y(r) = -g^2 \frac{e^{-\mu r}}{r}$$

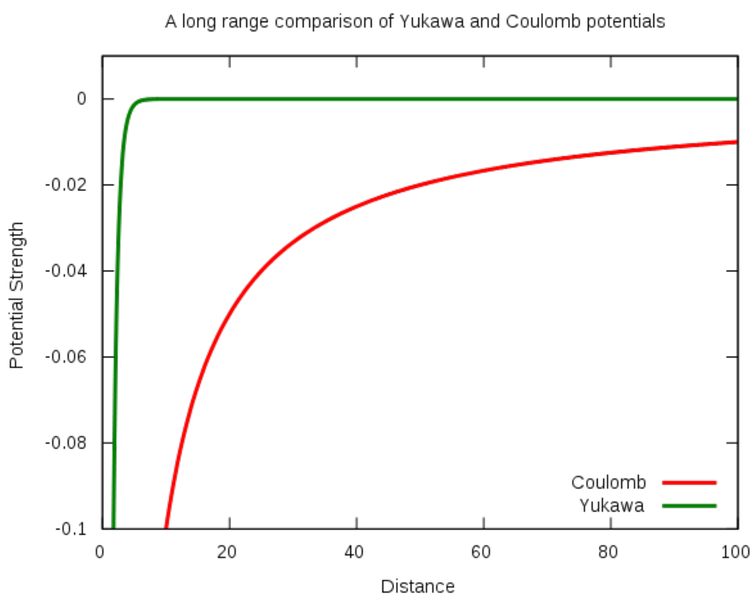
$$\lambda_B = \frac{1}{\mu} = \frac{\hbar}{m_B c}$$

Compton wavelength of the boson (force carrier)

Mass of the boson

$$-\frac{1}{c^2}\frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial t^2} + \nabla^2 \psi = \mu^2 \Psi$$

Klein-Gordon equation



Lead (^{208}Pb) Radius Experiment : PREX

Analysis is clean, like electromagnetic scattering:

1. Probes the entire nuclear volume
2. Perturbation theory applies

E = 850 MeV, $\theta = 6^0$
electrons on lead

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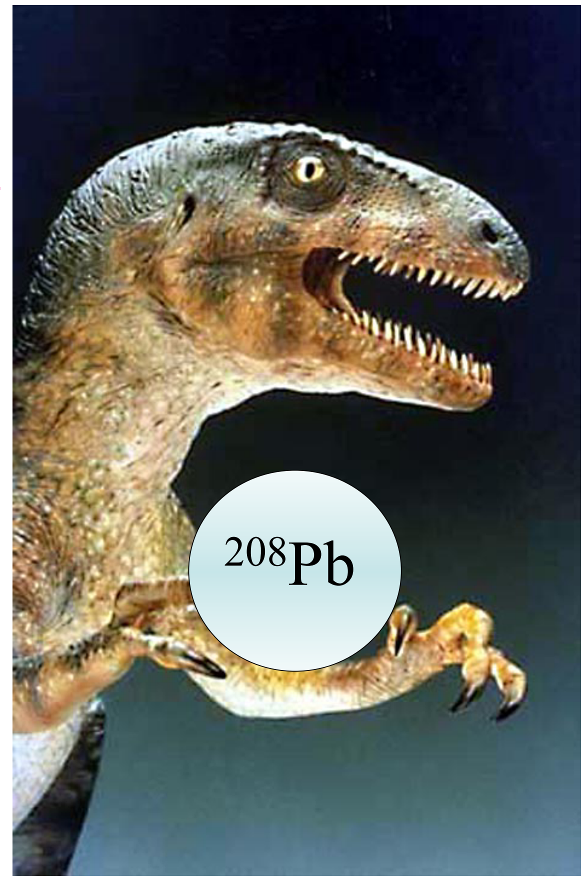
http://physics.aps.org/synopsis-for/10.1103/PhysRevLett.108.112502

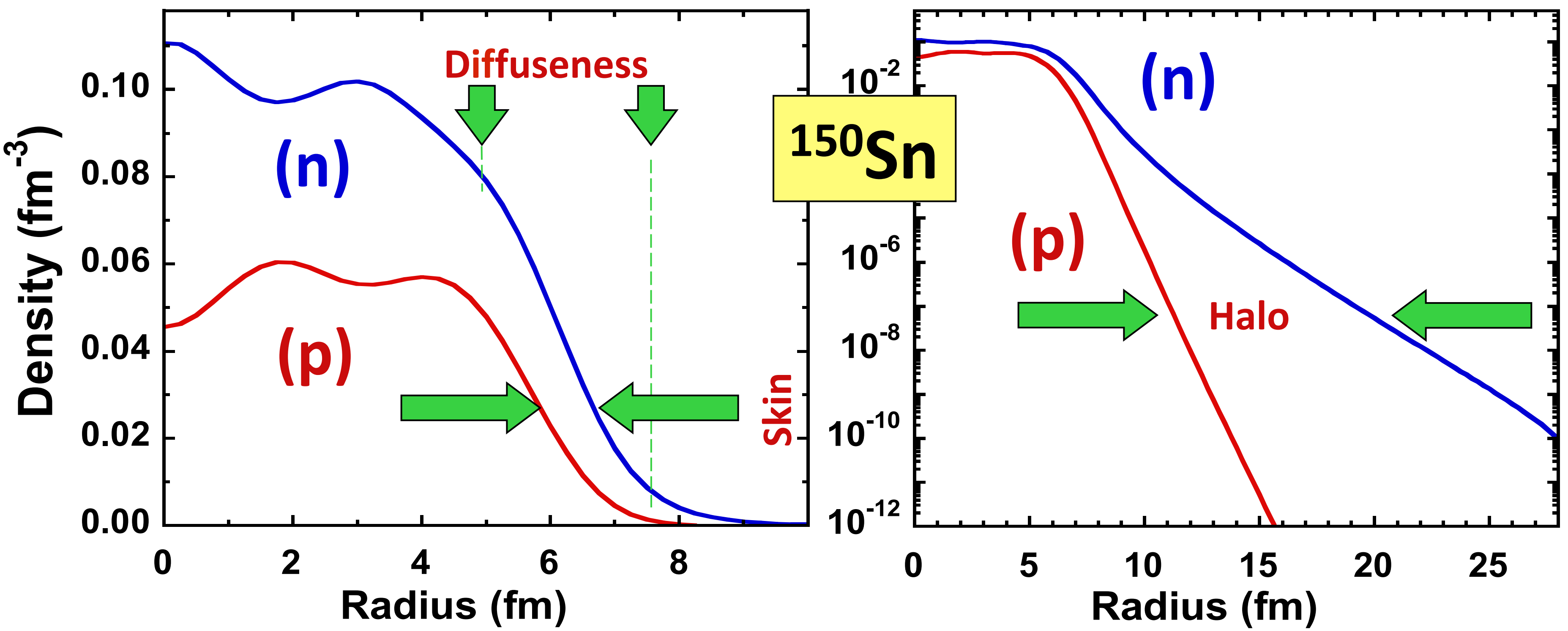


$$R_{skin} = R_n - R_p$$

PREX: $0.34^{+0.15}_{-0.17}\, fm$

Theory: $0.168 \pm 0.022\, fm$

Neutron & proton density distributions



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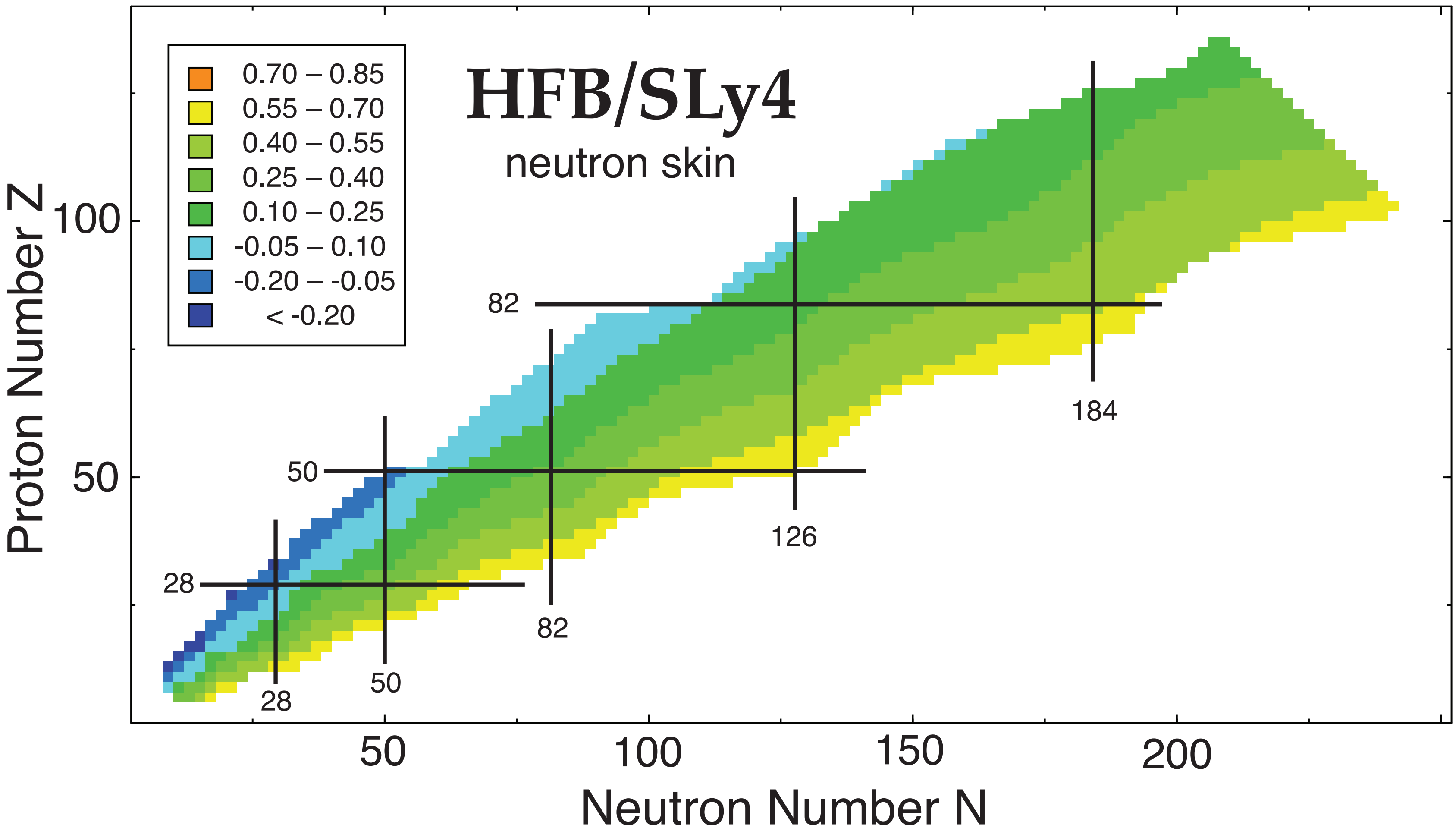

HW: Assuming the nucleus of mass number *A* to be a spherical object with a sharp surface and constant nucleonic density ρ_0= 0.16 nucleons/fm^3, find the relation between nuclear radius and *A*.

Test the performance of the resulting expression by comparing with experimental data for charge radii:
http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0092640X12000265
Assume that the radius of the mass distribution is the same as the radius of the charge distribution.