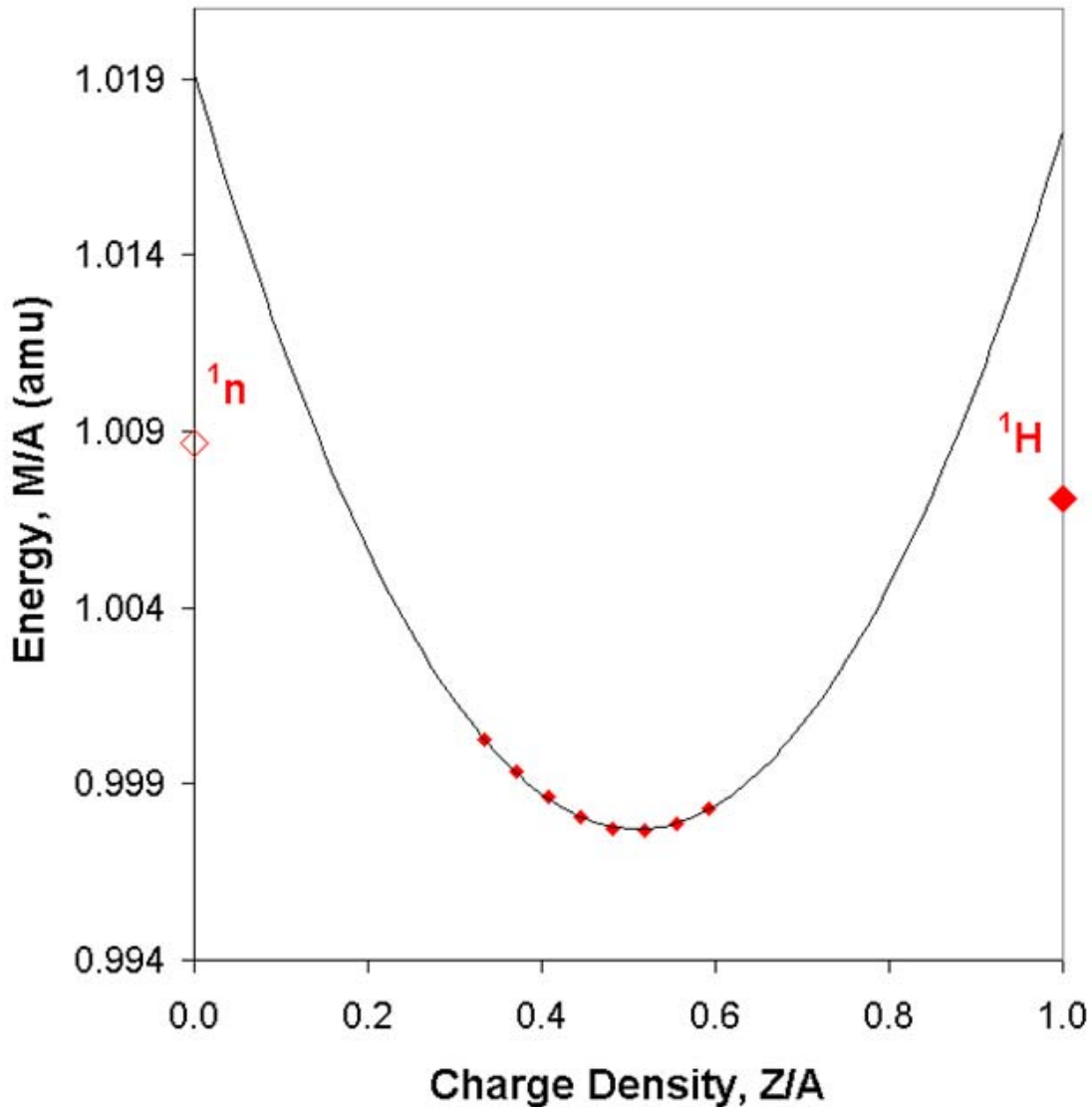


# Neutron-Repulsion at $A = 27$

At  $A = 27$  the mass parabola yields  
 $M/A = M({}_0^1\text{n}) + 10 \text{ MeV}$  at  $Z/A = 0$



*After subtracting Coulomb energy, the mass parabola has a minimum at  $Z = 13.5$ . At  $Z = 13$  or  $14$  there are 182 attractive  $n$ - $p$  interactions but only 169 repulsive  $n$ - $n$  &  $p$ - $p$  interactions [18]*