

# *Ab initio symmetry-adapted no-core shell-model results for intermediate- and medium-mass nuclei*

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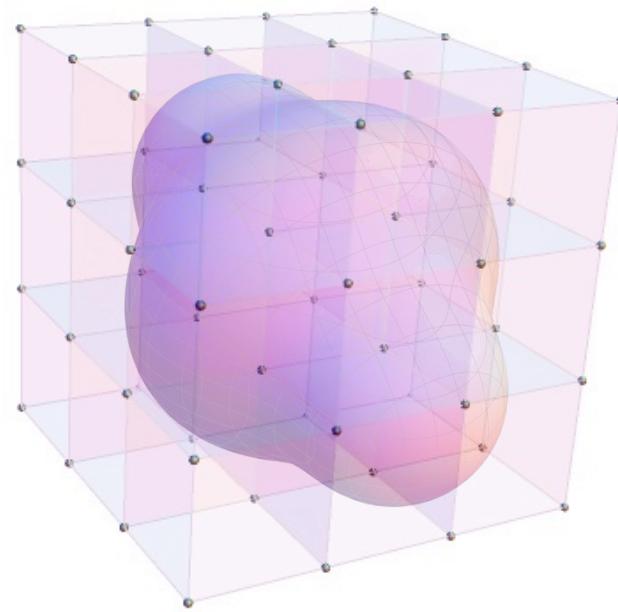
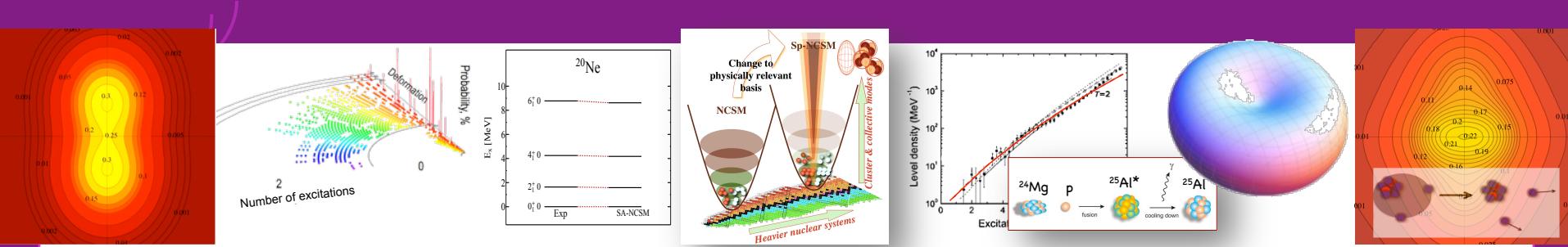
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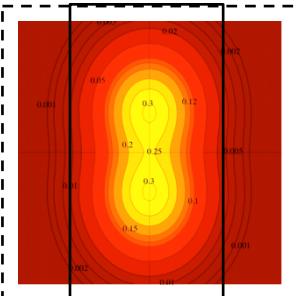
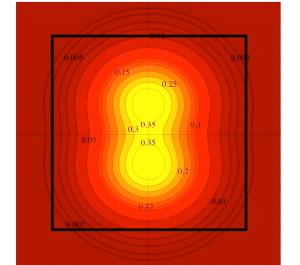
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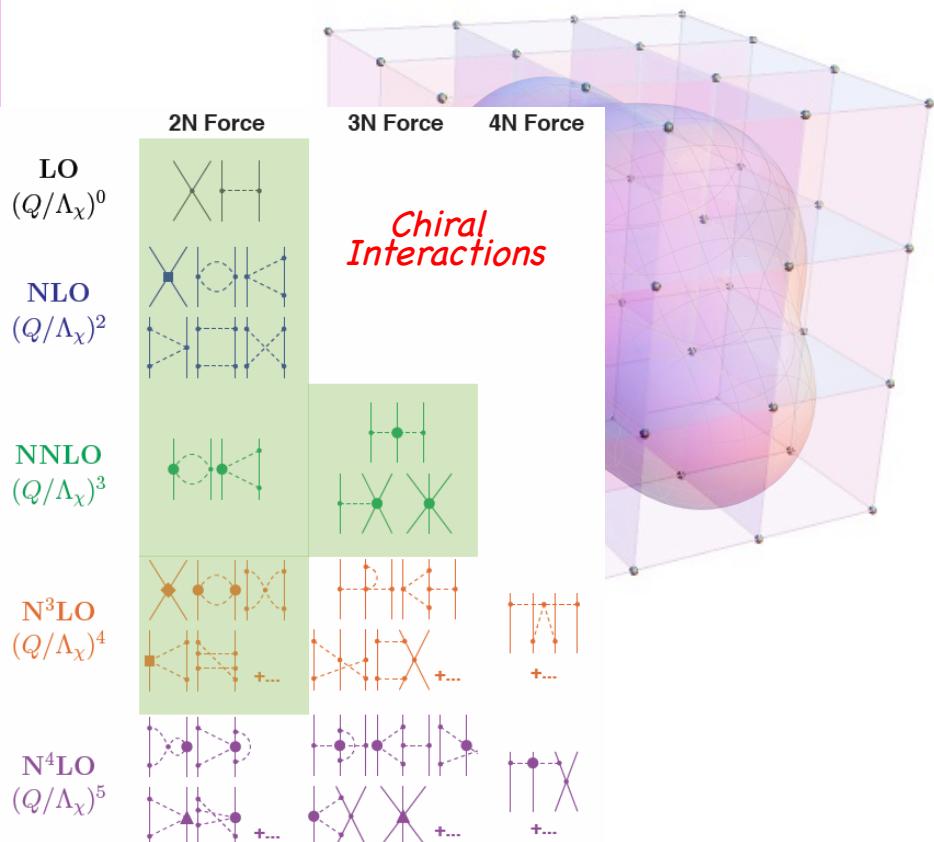
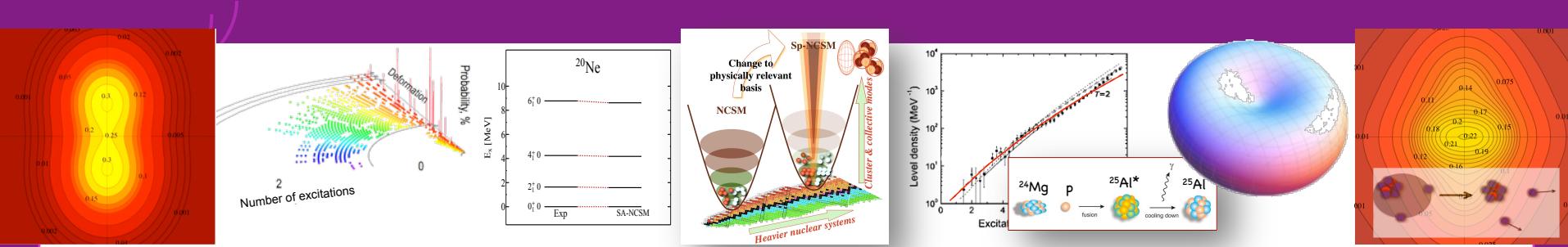
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Dytrych et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 111 (2013) 252501

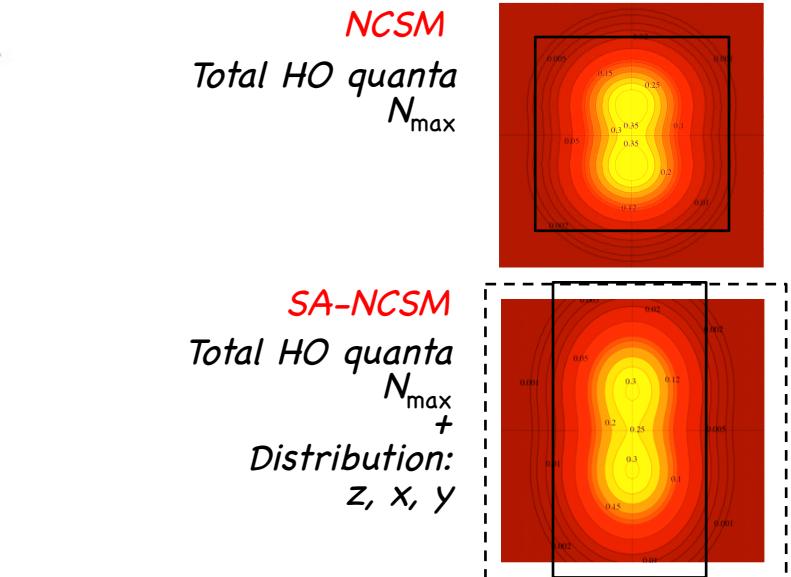
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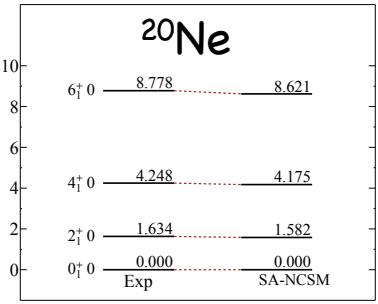
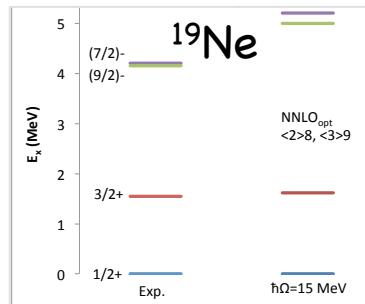
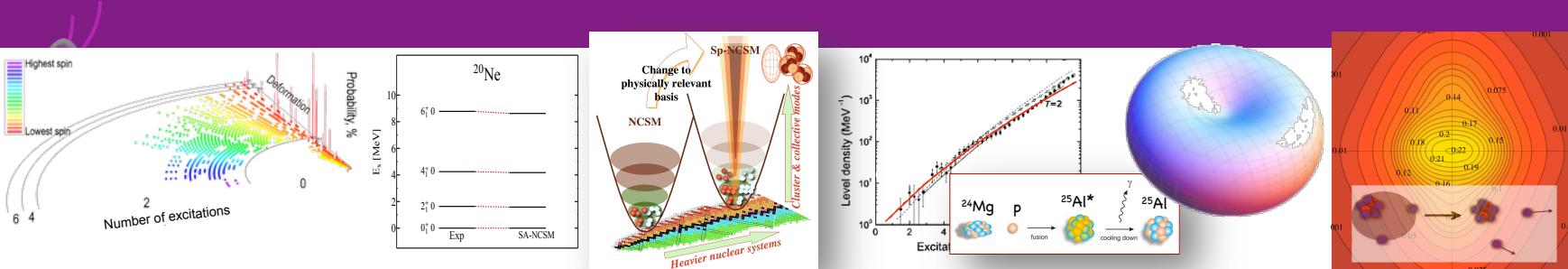


Weinberg, van Kolck, Machleidt, Entem, Meissner, Epelbaum, Krebs, Bernard,... (from A. Calci)

Neutrinoless Double-beta Decay  
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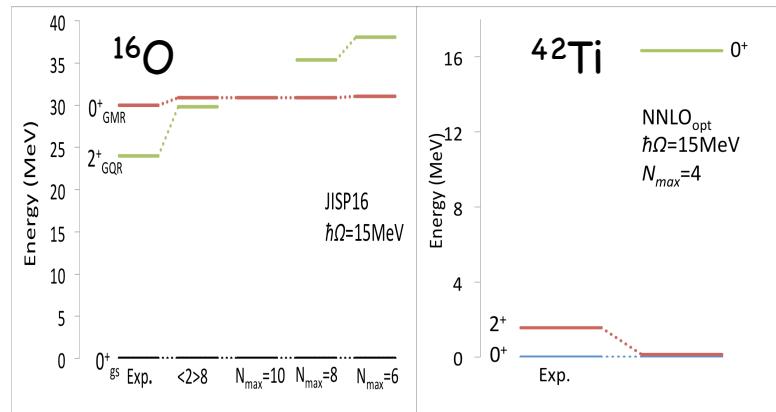
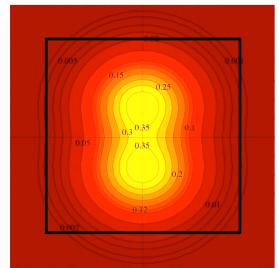


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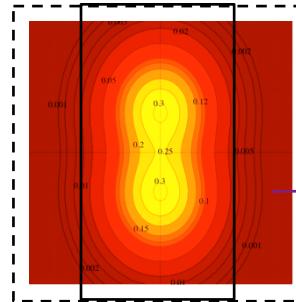
SU(3) basis

NCSM  
Total HO quanta  
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Symplectic  
Sp(3,R) basis

SA-NCSM  
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Describes deformation

→ Symmetry-adapted:  
SU(3), Sp(3,R)

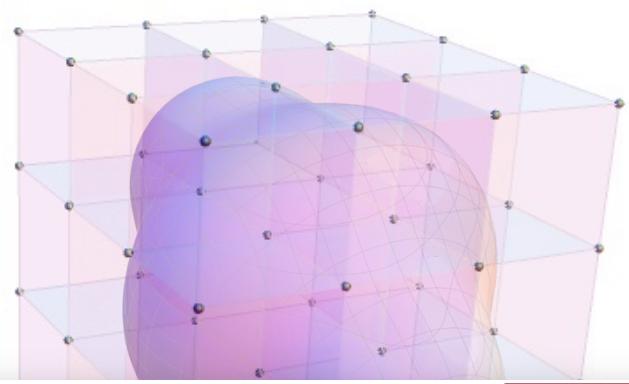
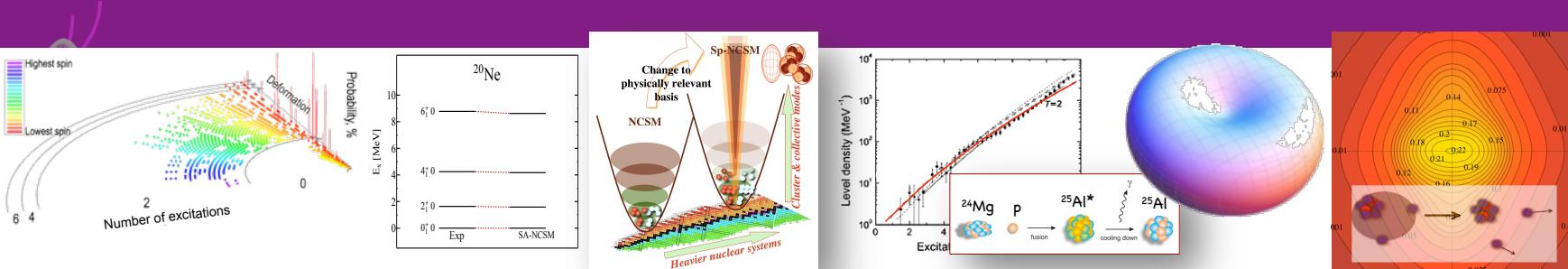
Guided by  
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symmetry  
(later in this talk)

LSU code (LSU3shell): [sourceforge.net/projects/lusu3shell](http://sourceforge.net/projects/lusu3shell)

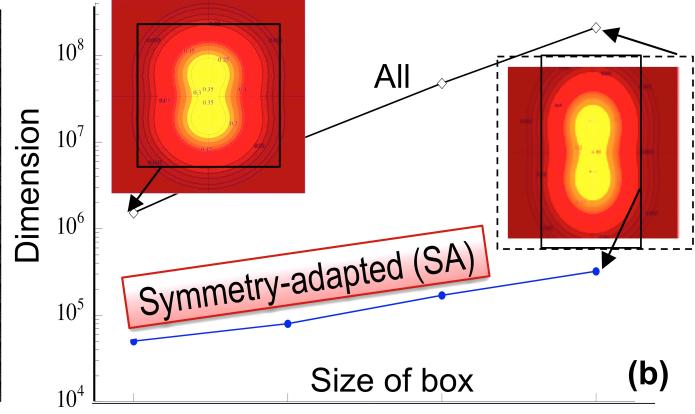
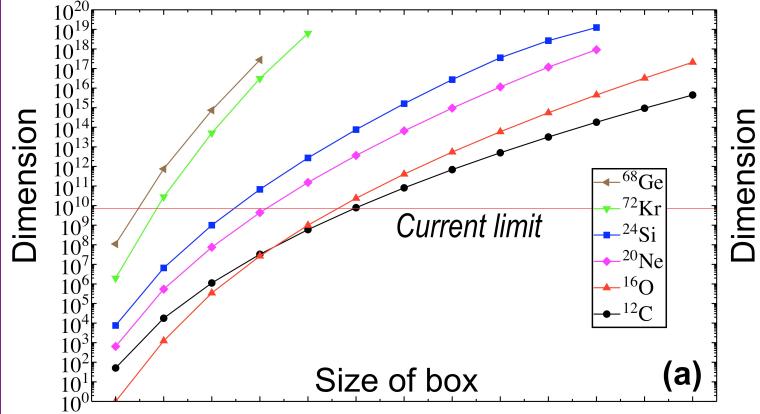
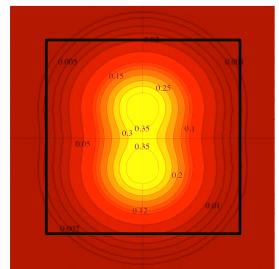
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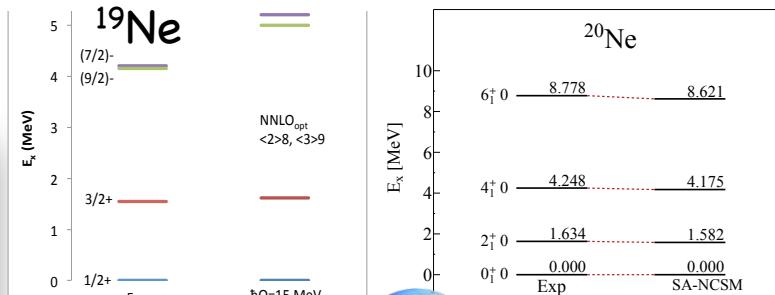
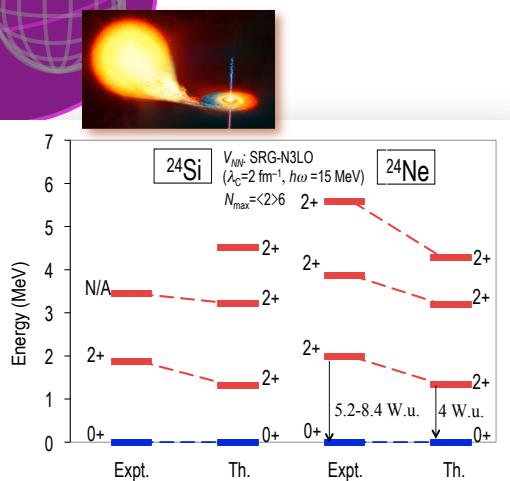


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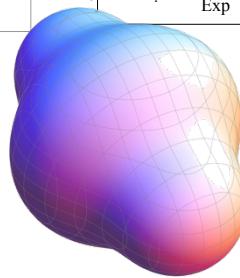
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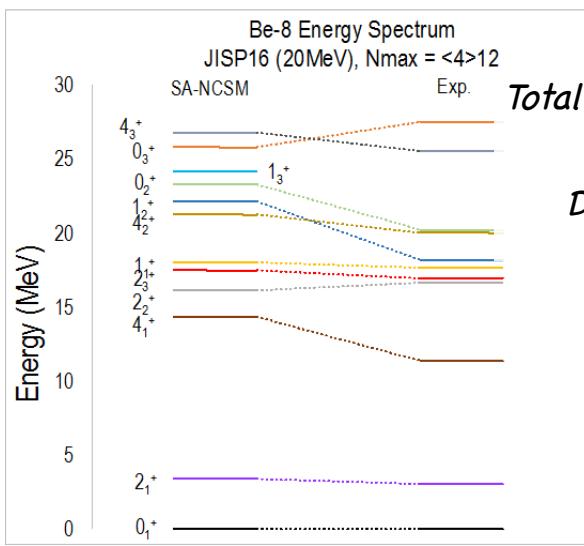
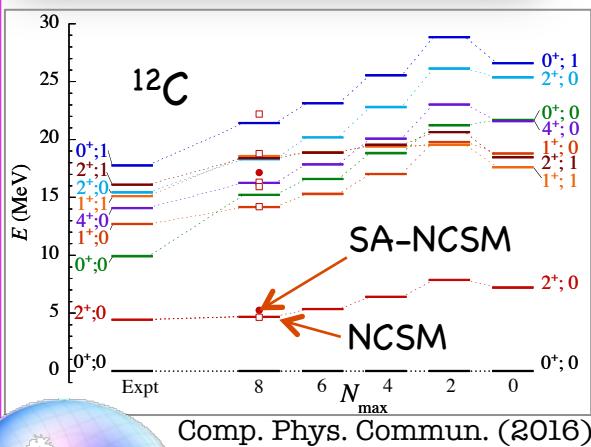
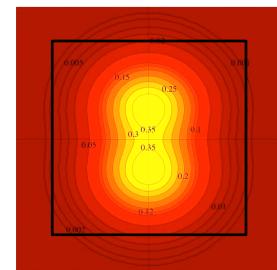
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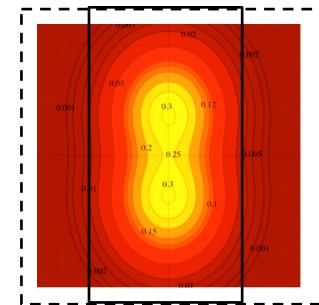
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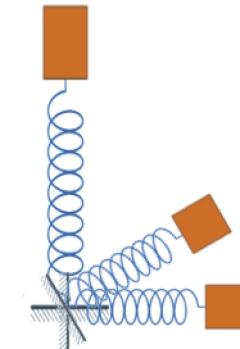
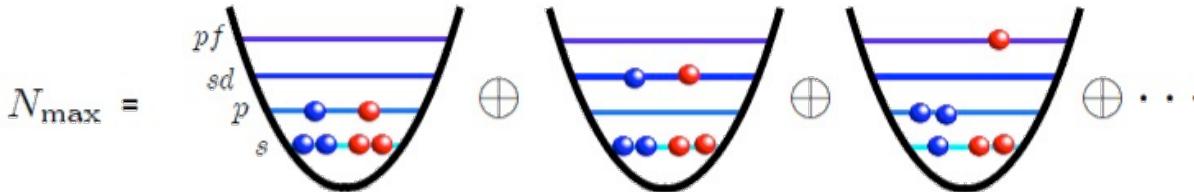


Deformation/collectivity:  
important in nuclear  
wave functions

Harvey Shows, LSU

# Symmetry-adapted NCSM (SA-NCSM) ... Basis

Distributions of nucleon over HO shells ( $0\hbar\Omega, 2\hbar\Omega, \dots$ ; 0p-0h, 2p-2h, ...)



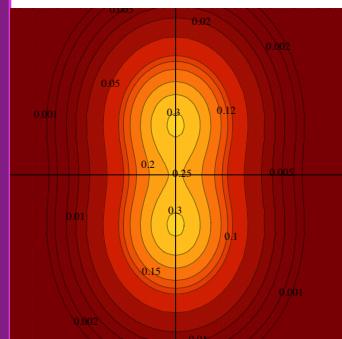
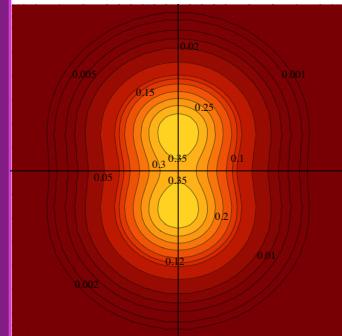
**SU(3)** is the exact symmetry of 3-D HO

- HO excitations in  $z, x, y$ :  $n_z, n_x, n_y$
- $(\lambda, \mu)$  label an SU(3) configuration – related to *spatial deformation*

$$\lambda = n_z - n_x; \quad \mu = n_x - n_y$$

E.g.: Be-8 Op-0h(4 0) –  $n_z=8, n_x=4, n_y=4$

Op-0h(4 0),  
 $N_{\max}=0$



N3LO,  
 $\hbar\Omega=25\text{MeV}$ ,  
 $N_{\max}=8$

A particles in 3-D space:

complete basis for the shell model (all linear canonical transformations of the 3A-particle phase space +spin/isospin)

$$\text{Sp}(3(A-1), \mathbb{R})$$

$$\times \quad \text{U}(4)$$

U

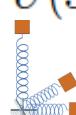
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$$\boxed{\text{Sp}(3, \mathbb{R})} \times O(A-1)$$

$$\text{SU}(2)_S \times \text{SU}(2)_T$$

$$\text{Sp}(3, \mathbb{R}) \supset U(3) \supset SO(3) \supset SO(2)$$

Body-fixed frame

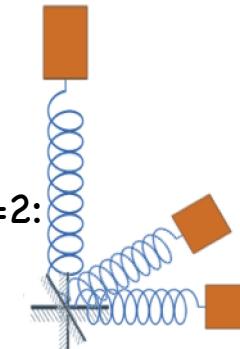
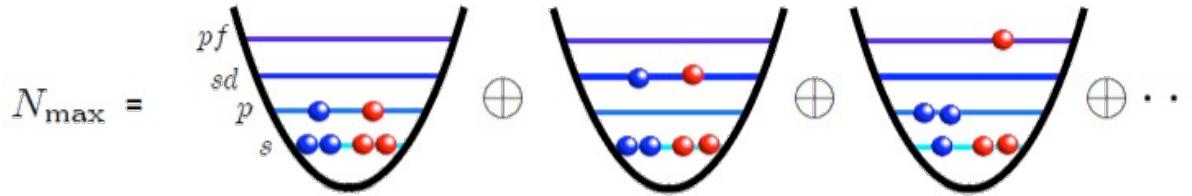


Lab frame



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**SU(3) basis states** (unitary transformation from  $m$ -scheme), e.g.  $A=2$ :

$$\frac{1}{N} [a_{(n_1 0)st}^\dagger \times a_{(n_2 0)st}^\dagger]^{(\lambda \mu) \kappa(LS)JM;TT_0} |0\rangle \quad [\dots \text{not used}]$$

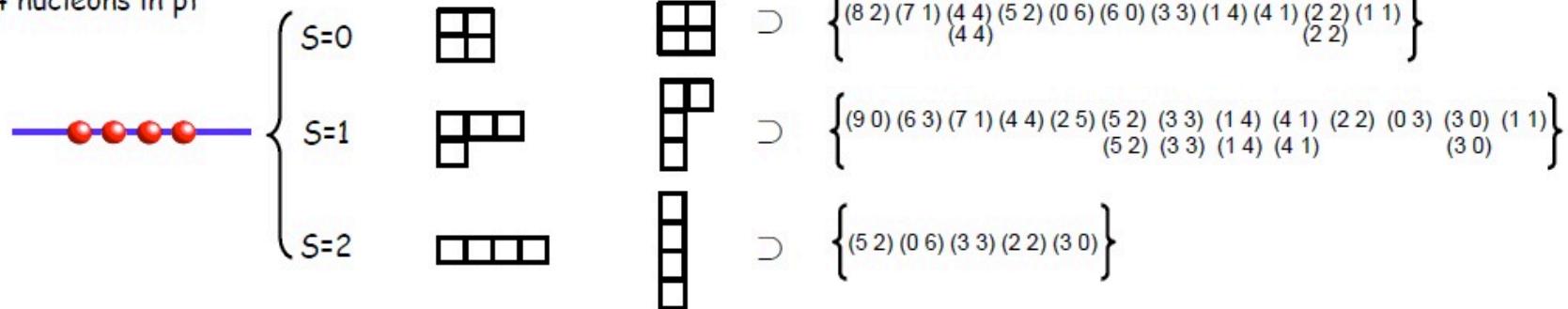
$$\lambda = n_z - n_x; \quad \mu = n_x - n_y$$

**Fast basis construction!** ... based on Gel'fand patterns

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & \text{U(2)} & \otimes & \text{U(10)} & \supset \\ \text{quantum labels:} & S & & [f] & \alpha \\ & & & & (\lambda \mu) \end{array}$$

• Example:

4 nucleons in pf



... followed by multi-shell coupling of SU(3) configurations

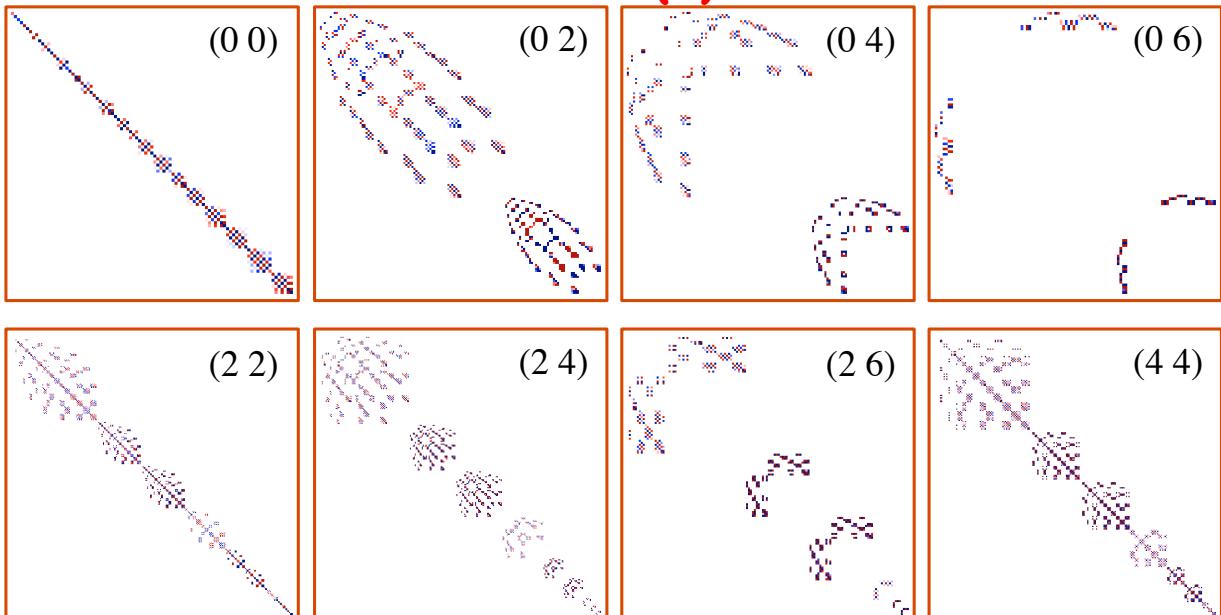
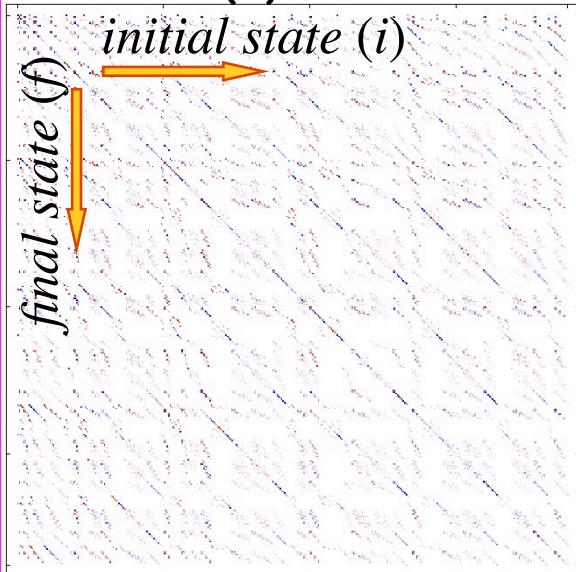
Using SU(3) coupling/recoupling coefficients ... analogous to SU(2), but outer/inner multiplicities!

# SA-NCSM ... NN Interaction

**SU(3) tensors of NN interaction**  $\langle (\chi\omega ST)_f \| V^{\omega_0 S_0 T_0 = 0} \| (\chi\omega ST)_i \rangle_{\rho_0}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (-)^{S_f + S_0} \Pi_{TS_0} \frac{\dim \omega_0}{\dim \omega_f} \sum_{J(\kappa L)_{if}} \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} L_f & S_f & J \\ S_i & L_i & S_0 \end{array} \right\} \langle \omega_i \kappa_i L_i; \omega_0 \kappa_0 L_0 \| \omega_f \kappa_f L_f \rangle_{\rho_0} \times \\
 &\quad (-)^{L_i + J} \Pi_{J^2 L_f} \Pi_{L_i L_f S_i S_f} \sum_{\substack{l_r l_s l_t l_u \\ J_r J_s J_t J_u}} \sqrt{\frac{(1 + \delta_{rs})(1 + \delta_{tu})}{(1 + \delta_{\eta_r \eta_s})(1 + \delta_{\eta_t \eta_u})}} \langle (\eta_r 0) l_r; (\eta_s 0) l_s \| (\omega \kappa L)_f \rangle \times \\
 &\quad \Pi_{j_r j_s j_t j_u} \langle (\eta_t 0) l_t; (\eta_u 0) l_u \| (\omega \kappa L)_i \rangle \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} l_r & \frac{1}{2} & j_r \\ l_s & \frac{1}{2} & j_s \\ L_f & S_f & J \end{array} \right\} \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} l_t & \frac{1}{2} & j_t \\ l_u & \frac{1}{2} & j_u \\ L_i & S_i & J \end{array} \right\} V_{rstu}^{\Gamma} \text{ (jj-coupled NN)} \\
 &\quad \text{NN SU(3) Tensors}
 \end{aligned}$$

NN in SU(3) basis



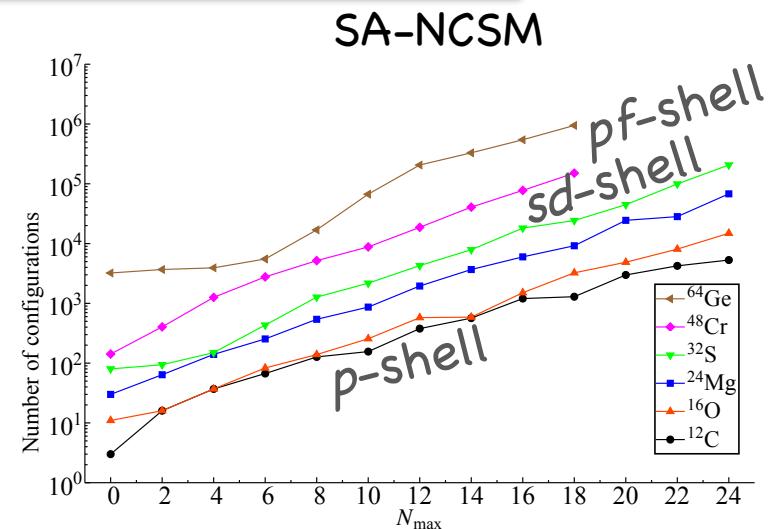
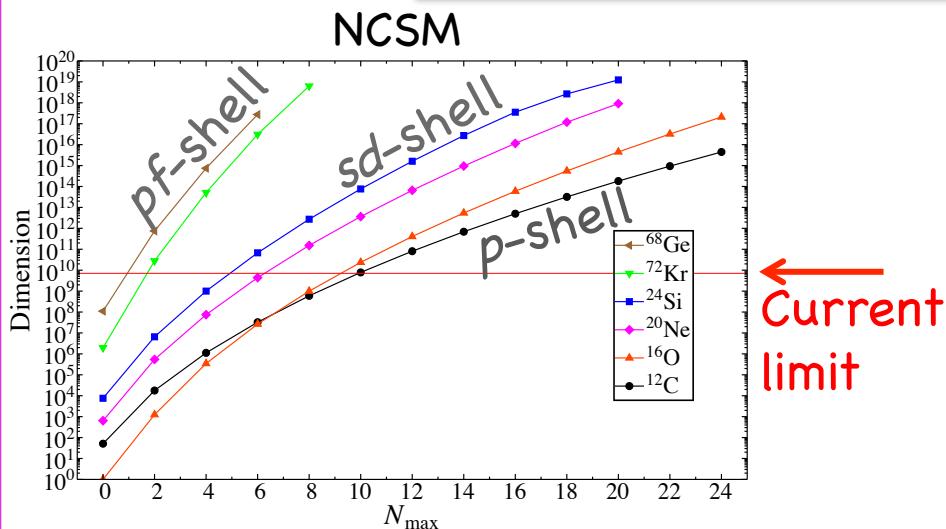
N3LO ( $N_{\max} = 6$ )  
 $\hbar\Omega = 11$  MeV

# SA-NCSM ... Hamiltonian

## SA-NCSM:

- SU(3)-coupled basis – fast construction (Gel'fand patterns)
- NN interaction SU(3) tensors – generated once per interaction
- Hamiltonian –
  - Wigner-Eckart theorem ... reduced matrix elements (rme's)
  - Decoupling to single-shell tensors  $Tn_1n_2n_1n_1 \rightarrow Tn_2 \times Tn_1n_1n_1$
  - Important pieces of information ... single-shell rme's

Important pieces of information (memory requirement)



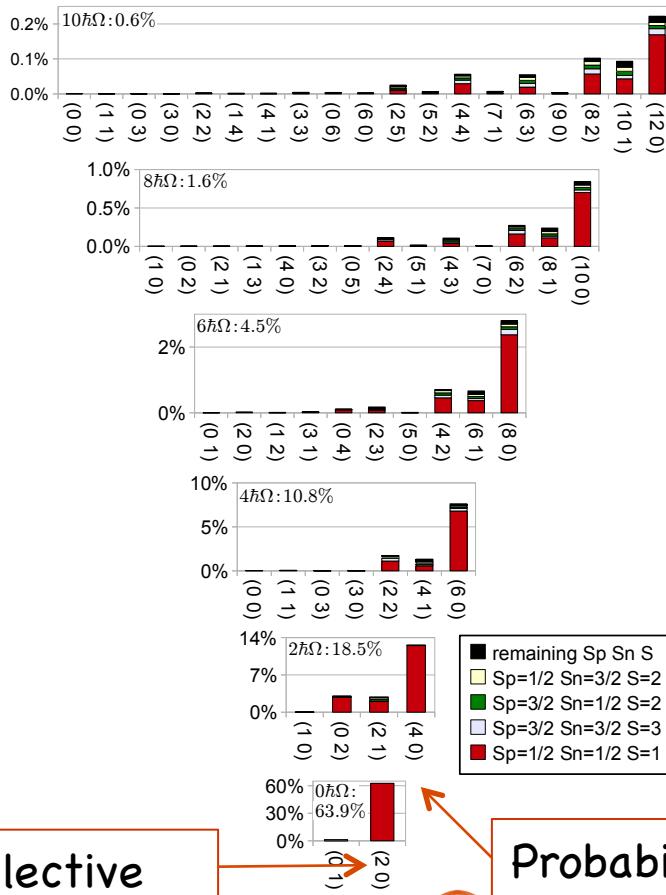
INFORMATION REDUCTION

# Preference of Nature

**$^6\text{Li}$**

JISP16,  
complete model space

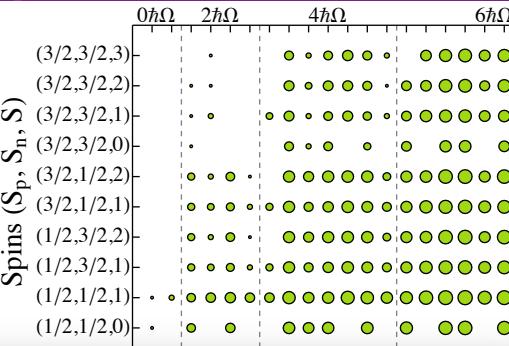
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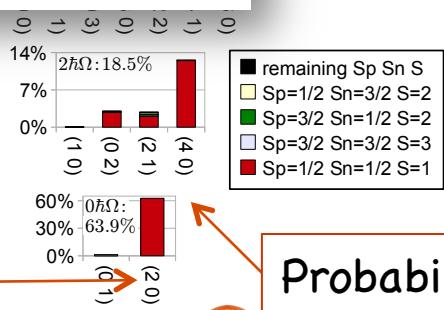
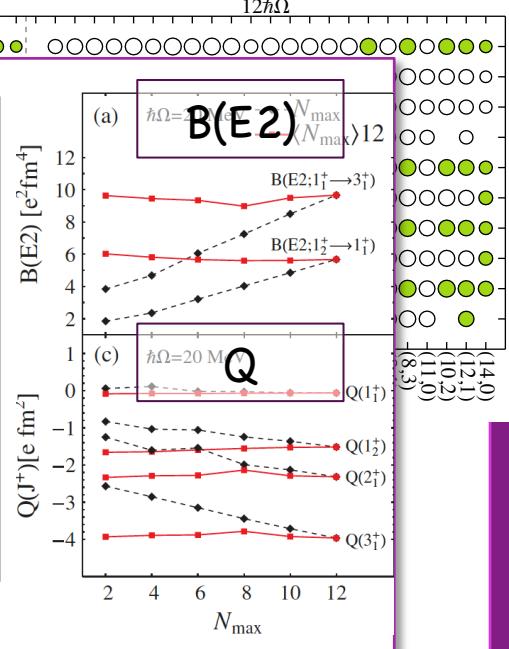
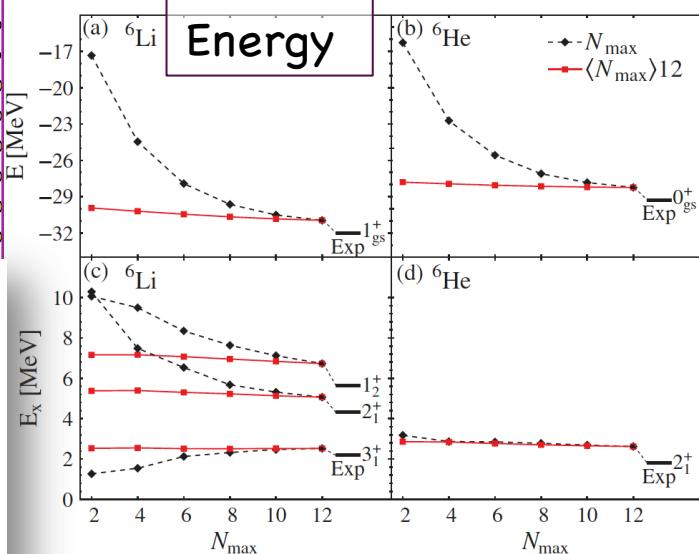
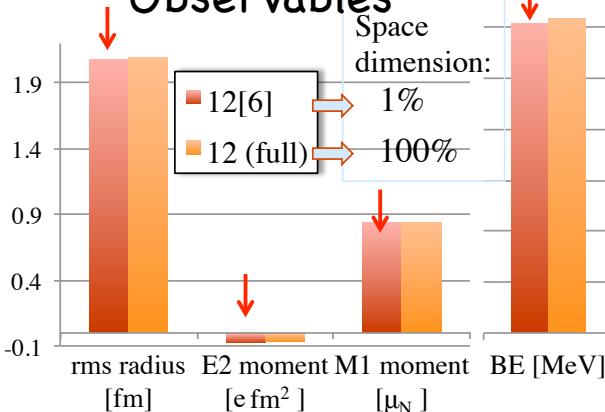
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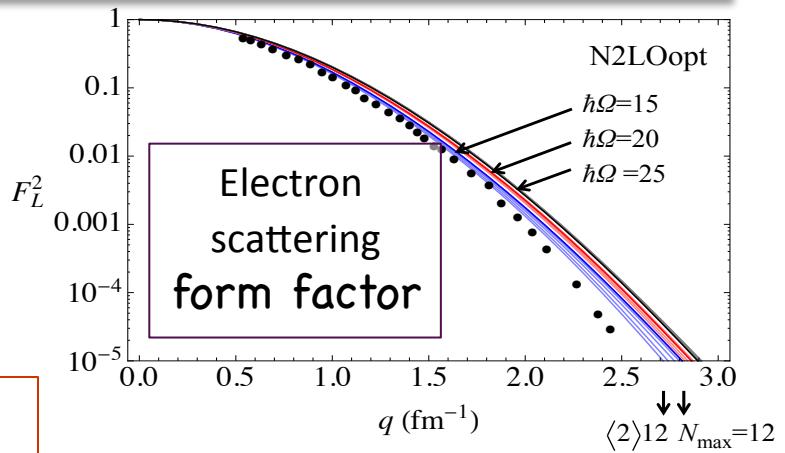


## Observables



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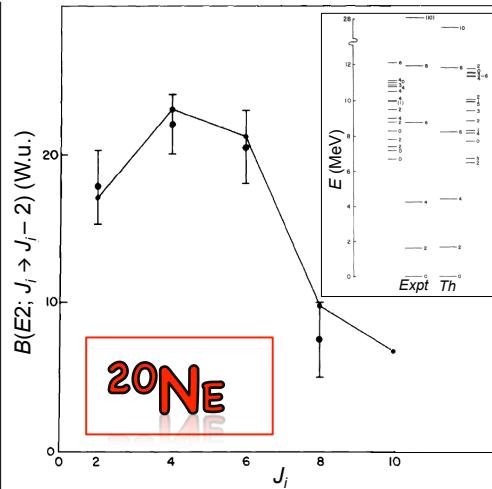
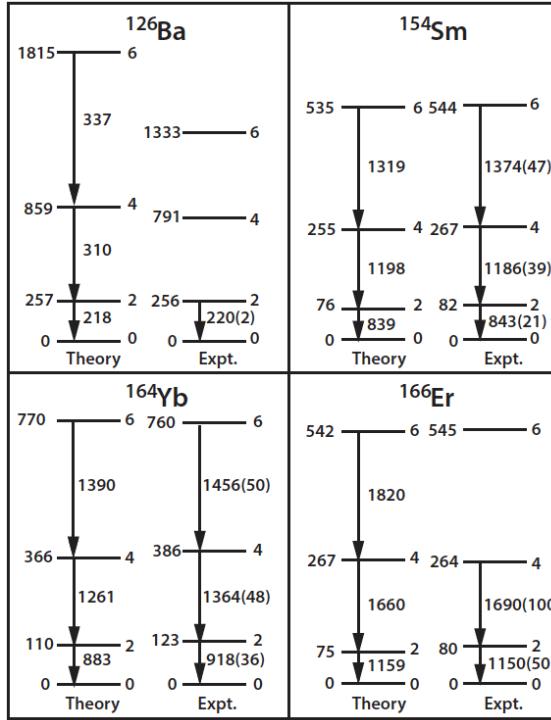


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# Earlier studies ... algebraic models

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Typically 1 (a few) irrep(s) + symmetry-preserving interaction



J. Draayer, et al.,  
Nucl. Phys. A419, 1  
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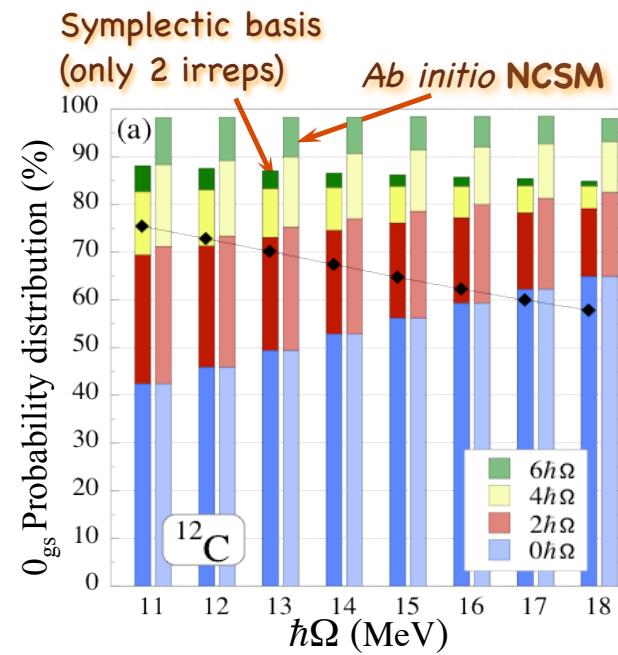
No effective charges!

P. Park et al., Nucl. Phys. A. 414, 93 (1984)

D. J. Rowe, Rep. Prog. Phys. 48, 1419 (1985)

## SYMPLECTIC SYMMETRY, $Sp(3,R)$

Rowe, Rosensteel, Draayer, Hecht, Suzuki, Escher, Bahri, ....

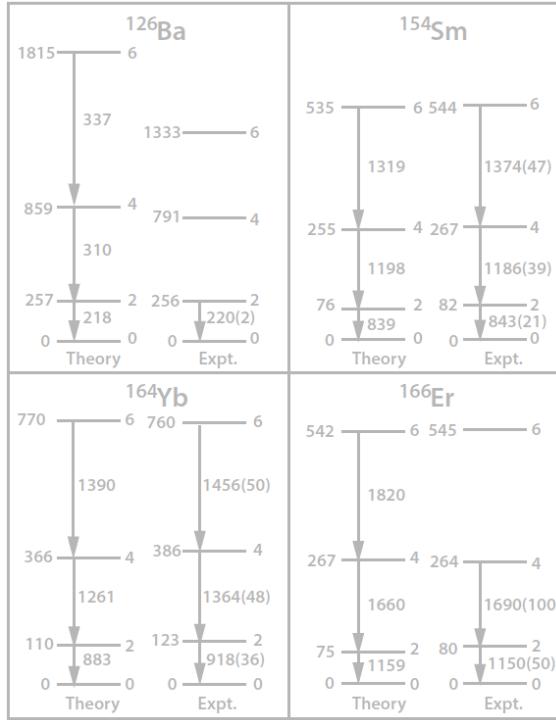


Dytrych, Launey, Bahri, Draayer, Vary,  
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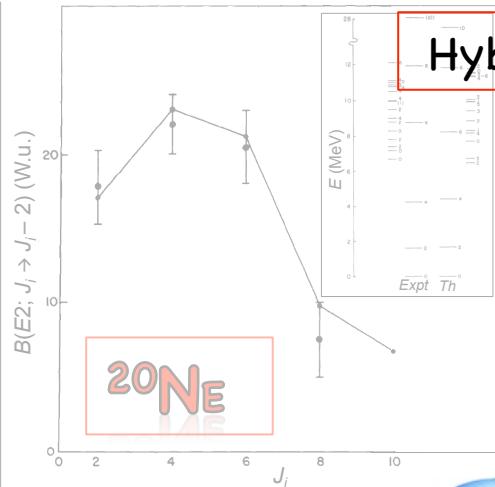
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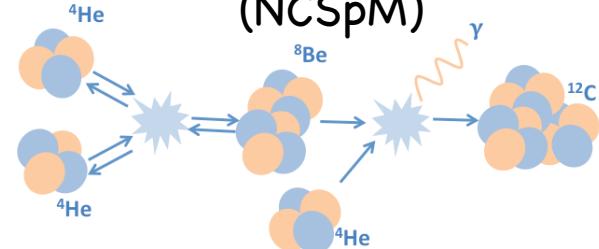
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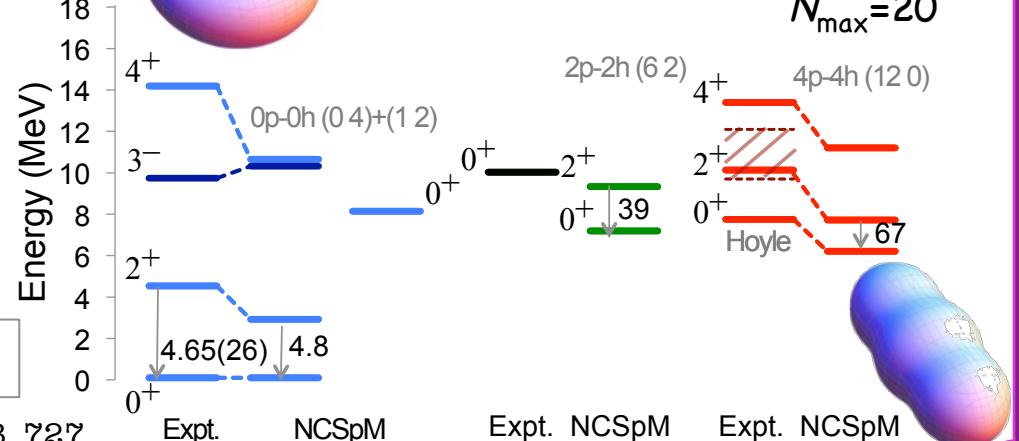
Dreyfuss et al., Phys. Lett. B. 727,  
511 (2013)

Hybrid: JISP16 ( $NN$ ) + schematic ( $mN$ )

Only 4 symplectic slices  
(NCSpM)



**Hoyle state in  $^{12}C$**   
 $N_{\max}=20$



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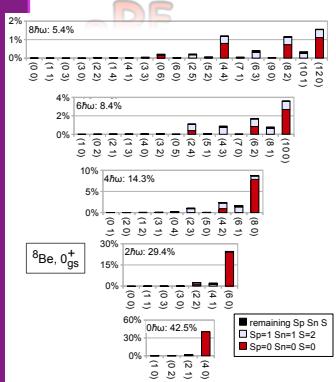
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SA-NCSM

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N3LO



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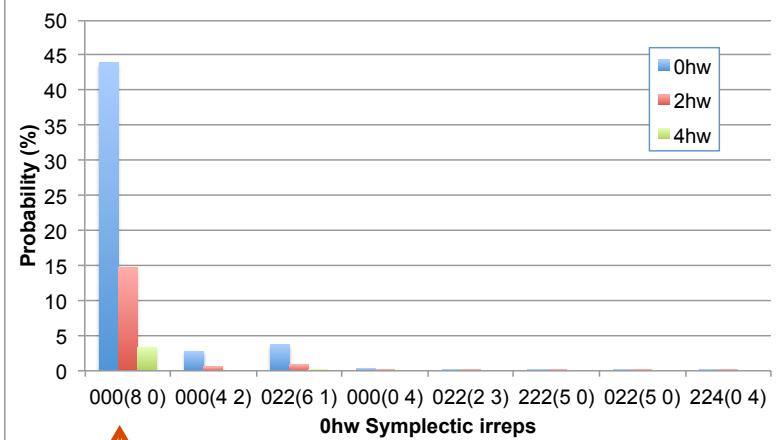


JISP16

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Approximate  
symplectic symmetry  
in nuclei

Ne-20, N2LOopt, hw=15 MeV, <2>>10



single dominant symplectic slice

# What is Symplectic Symmetry?

## Formal definition

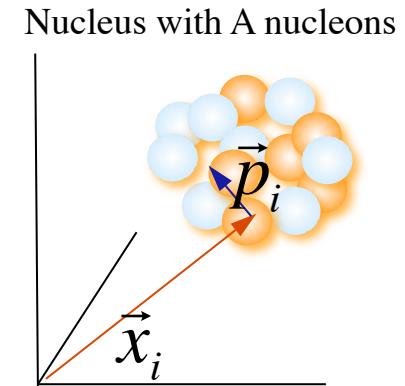
All linear canonical transformations of the single-particle phase-space observables

$$x_{i\alpha} \rightarrow \sum_{\beta=x,y,z} a_{\alpha\beta} x_{i\beta} + b_{\alpha\beta} p_{i\beta}$$

$$p_{i\alpha} \rightarrow \sum_{\beta=x,y,z} c_{\alpha\beta} x_{i\beta} + d_{\alpha\beta} p_{i\beta}$$

that **preserve the canonical commutation relation**

$$[x_{i\alpha}, p_{j\beta}] = i\hbar \delta_{ij} \delta_{\alpha\beta}$$



Generators:

$$Q_{ij} = \sum_n x_{ni} x_{nj},$$

geometry

**Symplectic Model**  
Rosensteel & Rowe,  
PRL 38 (1977) 10

SU(3)  
in a HO shell  
(Elliott, 1958)

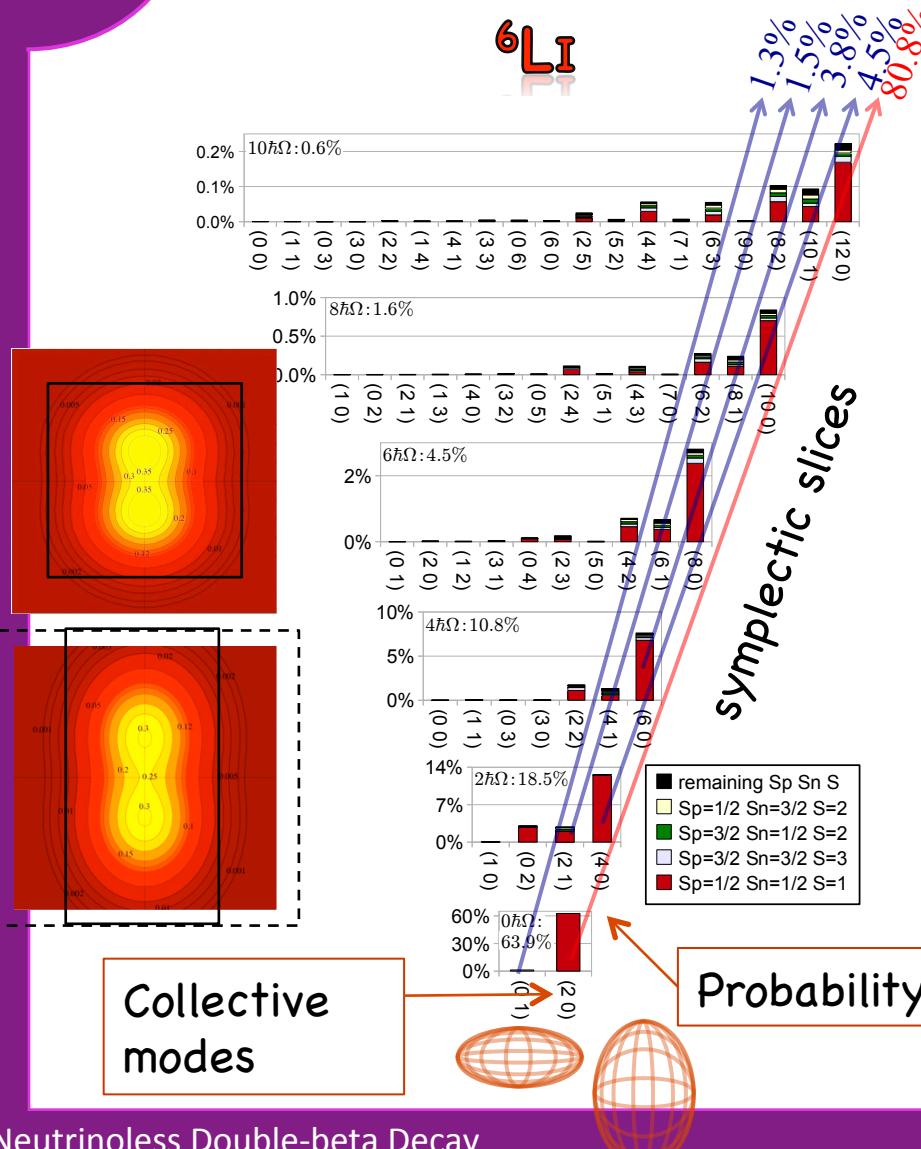
$$S_{ij} = \sum_n (x_{ni} p_{nj} + p_{ni} x_{nj}),$$

$$L_{ij} = \sum_n (x_{ni} p_{nj} - x_{nj} p_{ni}),$$

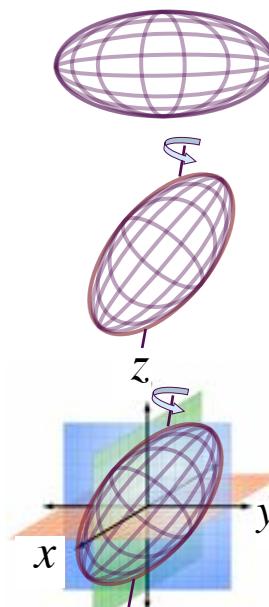
$$K_{ij} = \sum_n p_{ni} p_{nj},$$

kinematics

# What can we learn from symplectic symmetry?

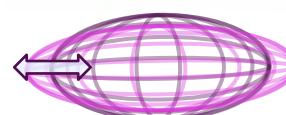


Symplectic slice:



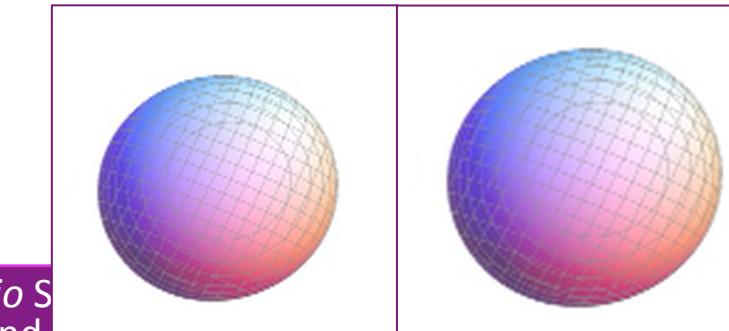
one equilibrium deformation ("shape")

rotations

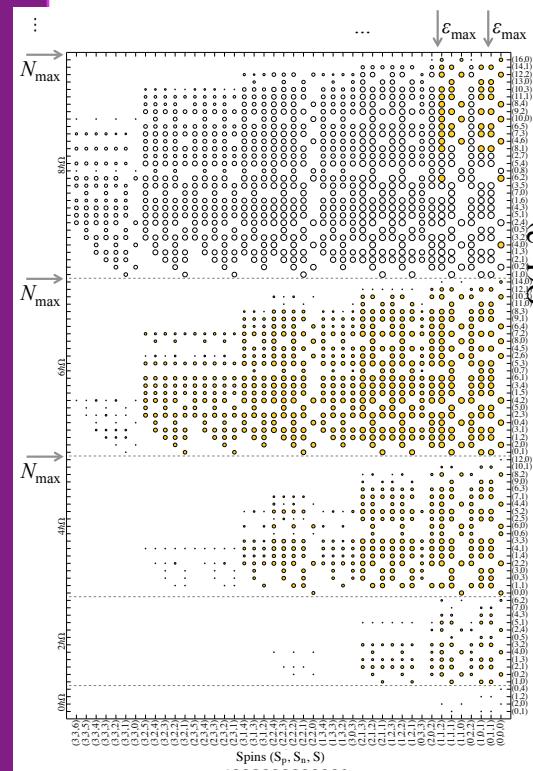
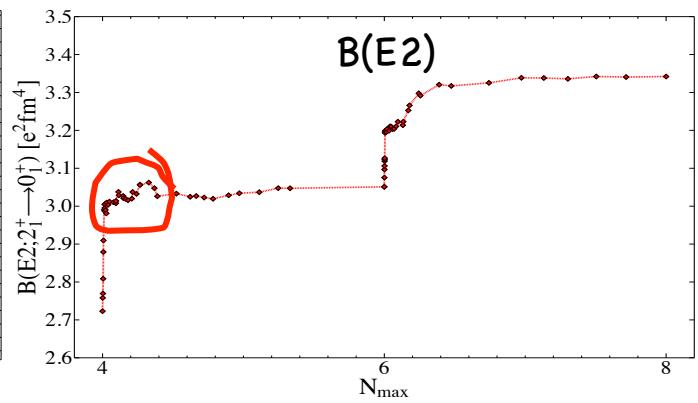
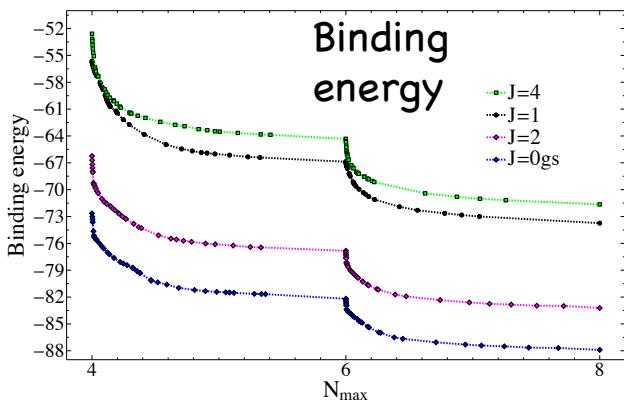


space orientation

Vibrations  
(of the giant resonance monopole ( $r^2$ )/ quadrupole (Q) type)

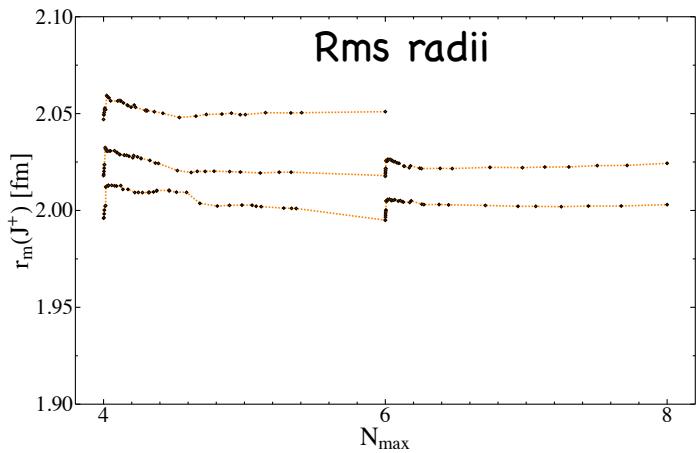


# Collectivity features

**12C****Q moments**

$N_{\max}$

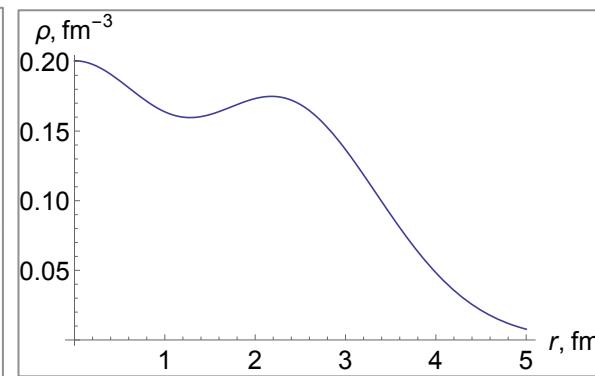
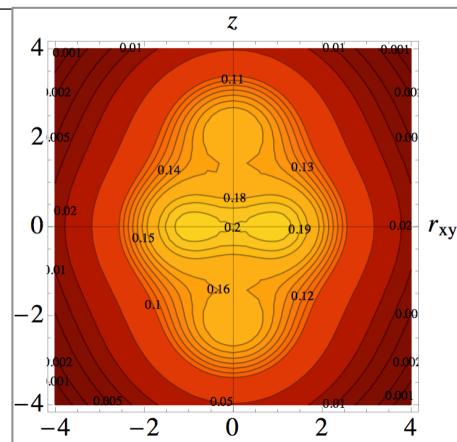
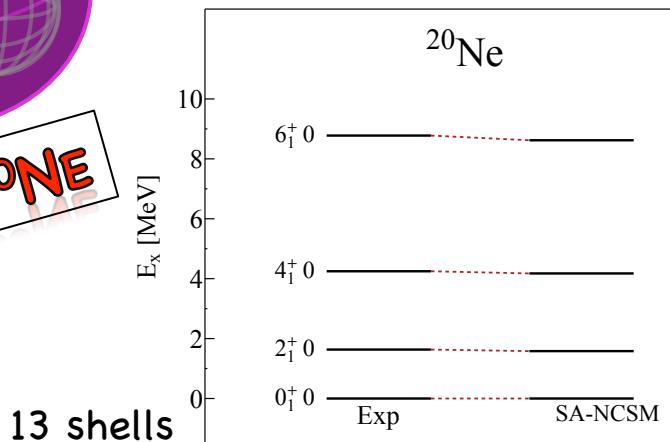
$SU(3)$  selection



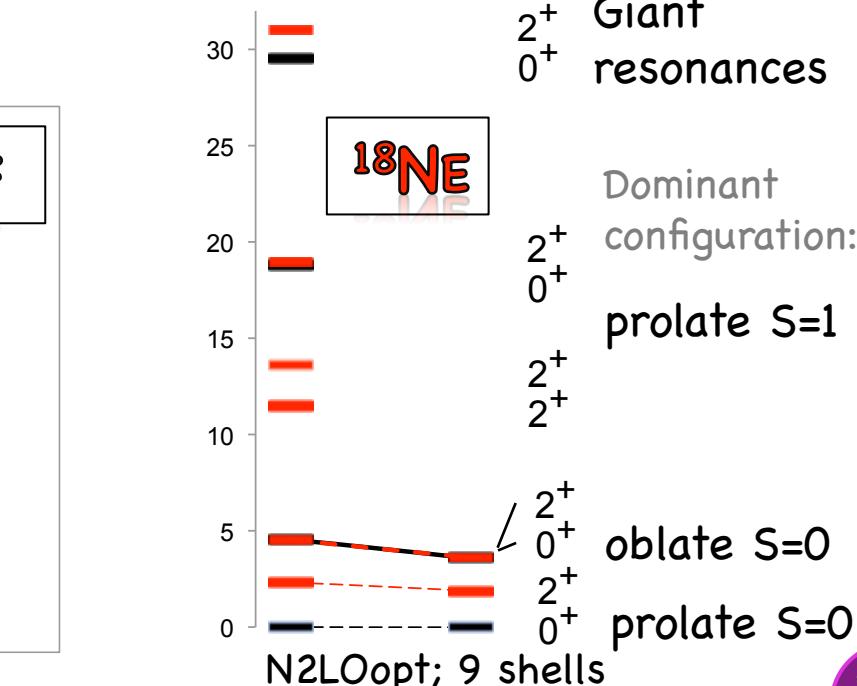
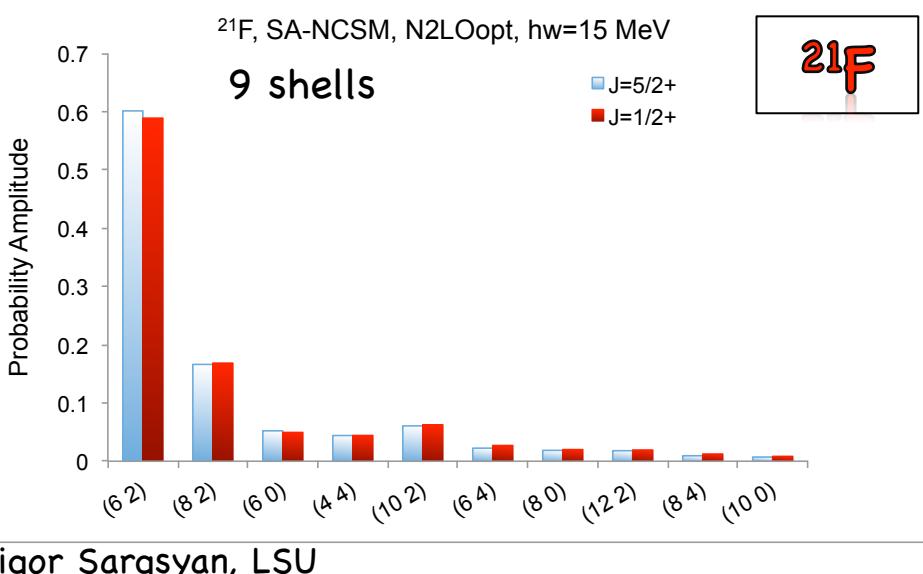
# intermediate-mass nuclei (sd-shell)

## Collectivity features

**20Ne**



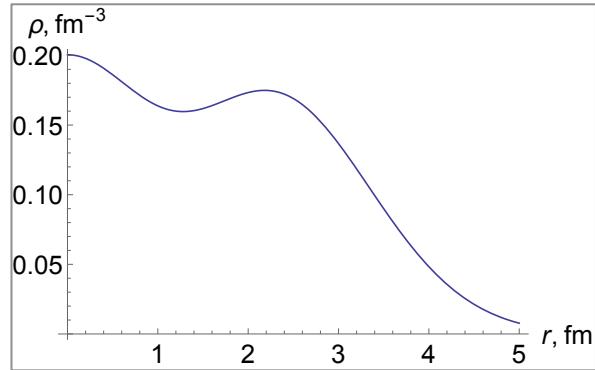
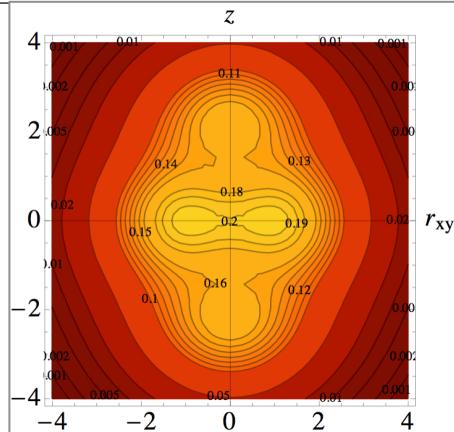
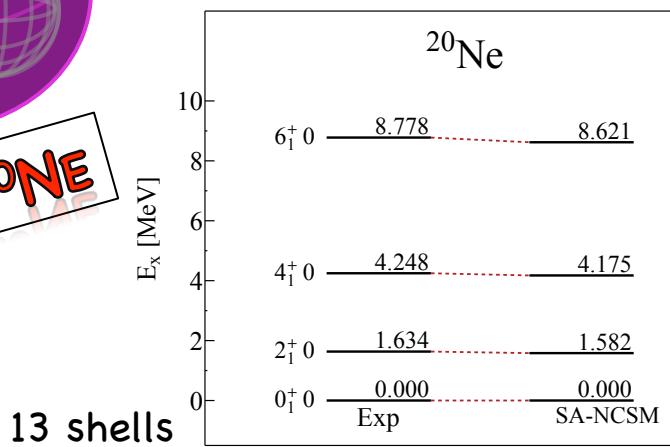
**Ne & Mg isotopes**



# intermediate-mass nuclei (sd-shell)

## Collectivity features

**20Ne**



**Ne & Mg isotopes**

SA-NCSM (selected model space): 50 million states

Complete model space: 1000 billion states

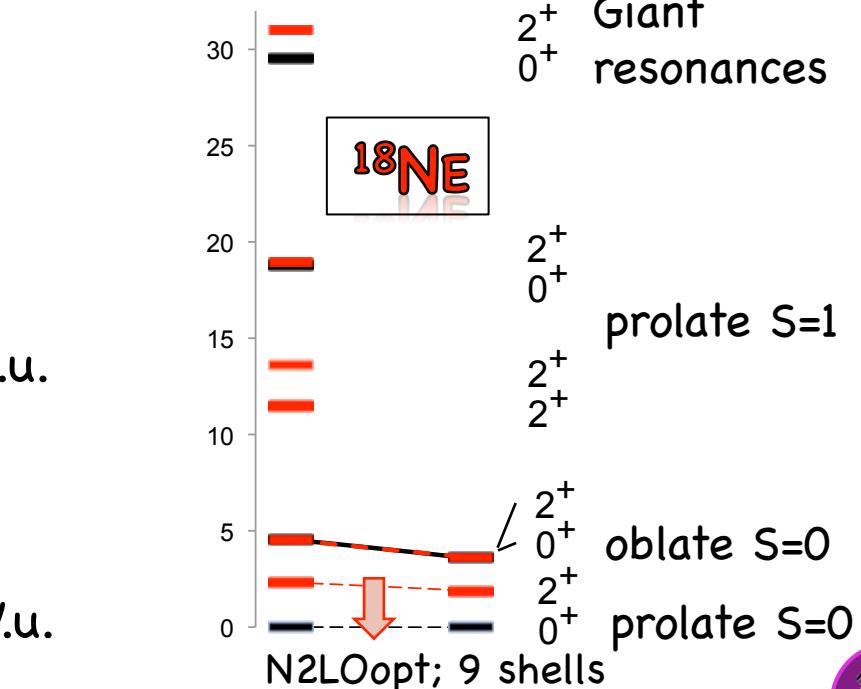
$^{18}\text{Ne}$ ,  $B(E2: 2^+ \rightarrow 0^+)$

Experiment ..... 17.7(18) W.u.

9 shells ..... 1.13 W.u.

33 shells ..... 13.0(7) W.u.

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# Structure of Ca-48 and Ti-48

**48CA**

Neutrinoless double-beta decay  
... the “lightest” isotopes...

**48TI**

8 shells, N2LOopt

0<sup>+</sup>

SA-NCSM (selected): ..... 966,152

Complete model space: ..... 3,162,511,819

2<sup>+</sup>

SA-NCSM (selected): ..... 3,055,554

Complete model space: ...14,522,234,982

8 shells, N2LOopt

0<sup>+</sup>

SA-NCSM (selected): ..... 602,493

Complete model space: ..... 24,694,678,414

2<sup>+</sup>

SA-NCSM (selected): ..... 1,178,834

Complete model space: ...113,920,316,658

**48Ti, B(E2: 2<sup>+</sup>->0<sup>+</sup>)**

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Experiment ..... 14.7(4) W.u.

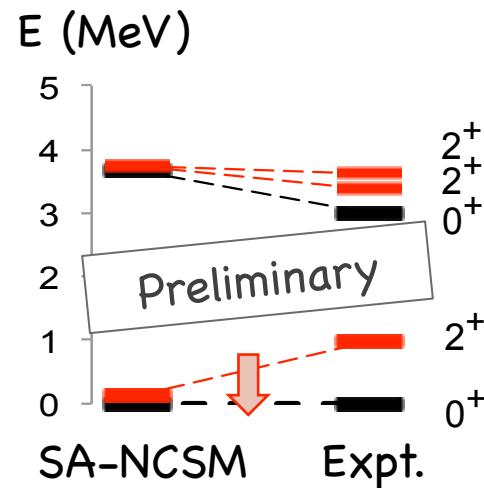
8 shells ..... 8.5 W.u.

34 shells ..... 13.6(6) W.u.

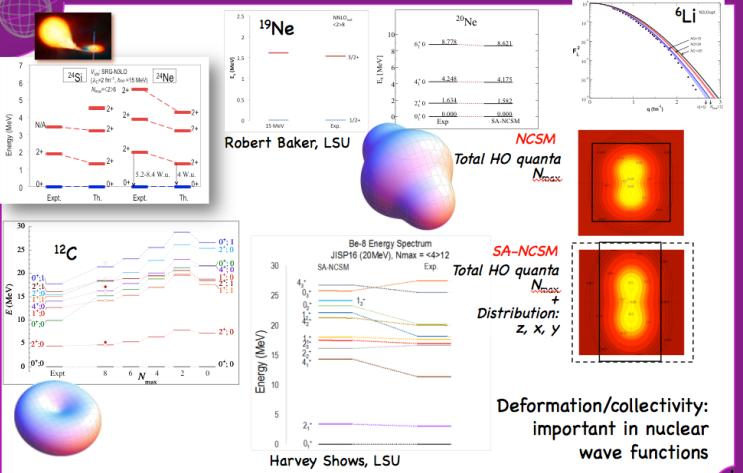
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Neutrinoless Double-beta Decay  
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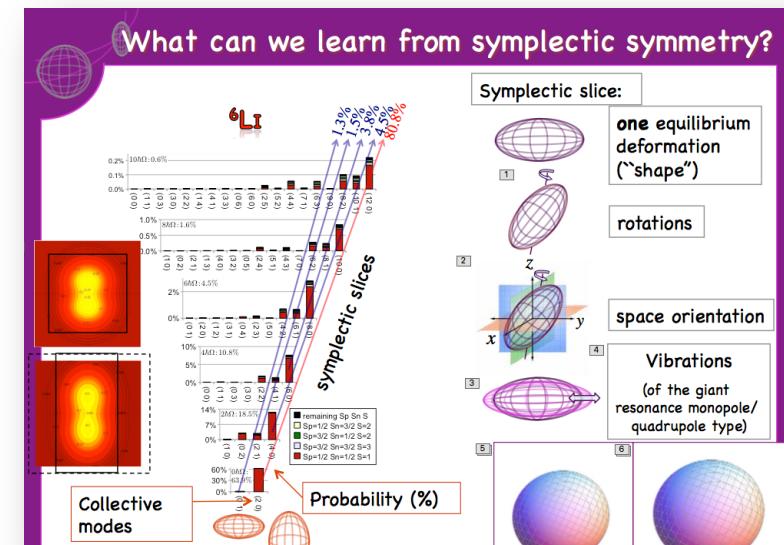
*Ab initio* SA-NCSM results for intermediate-  
and medium-mass nuclei -- K. Launey



## Deformed (in intrinsic frame)...

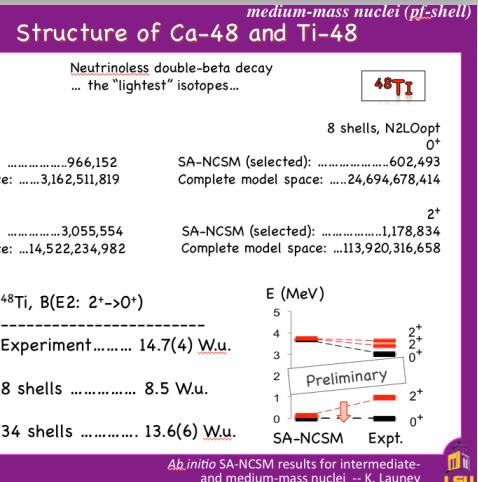
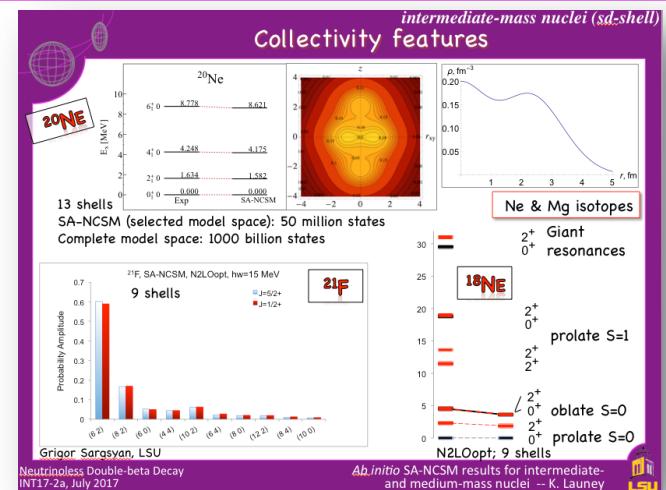


Deformation/collectivity: important in nuclear wave functions



Simple physics: "shape" + vibrations + rotations

# Conclusions



Collective features in intermediate- and medium-mass nuclei