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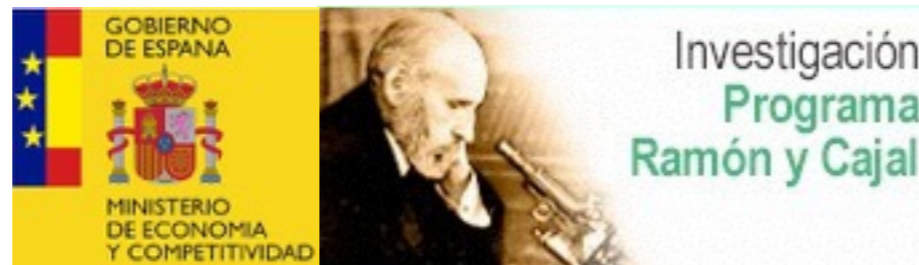


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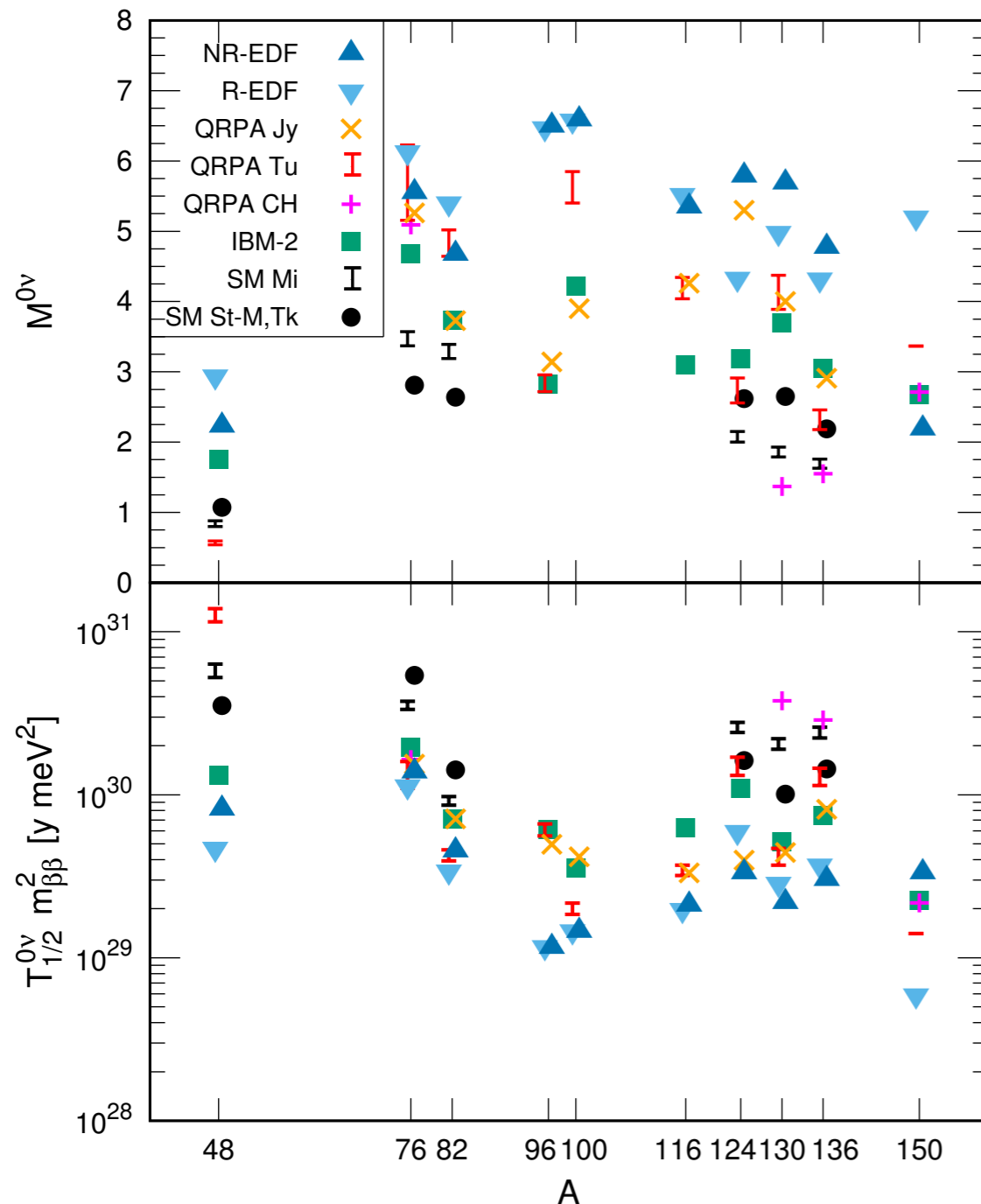
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NME: the problem



➔ Different many-body methods provide different $0\nu\beta\beta$ NMEs

➔ Where the differences come from?

- ✓ Correlations are not the same.
- ✓ Interactions are different.
- ✓ Valence spaces are different.
- ✓ Transition operator is (sometimes) different.

J. Menéndez, J. Engel 2016

NME: Starting points



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- **Leading lepton number violating process contributing to $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay**
 - Exchange of light Majorana neutrino.
 - Exchange of heavy Majorana neutrino.
 - Leptoquarks.
 - Supersymmetric particles.
 - ...
- **Transition operator connecting initial and final states**
 - Relativistic/Non-relativistic.
 - Nucleon size effects.
 - Two-body weak currents.
 - Form factors.
 - Short-range correlations.
 - Closure approximation.
 - ...
- **Nuclear structure method (fully consistent or not with the operator) for calculating these NME.**
 - Correlations.
 - Symmetry conservation.
 - Valence space.
 - ...

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→ $\{|\Phi(\vec{q})\rangle\}$ is a set of (in general) non-orthonormal many-body wave functions that depends parametrically on the collective variables \vec{q} , called generating coordinates.

→ $f^\sigma(\vec{q})$ are found by minimizing the energy:

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HGW equations are now regular eigenvalue problems

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6. Collective wave functions: Weight of the different \vec{q} in the GCM wave function:

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REMARKS

- GCM ground states are variational approaches to the exact ground state wave functions.
- The quality of the approximation depends on the sensitivity of the collective coordinates to the nuclear Hamiltonian and/or transition operators.
- Very intuitive physical insight about the role of collective degrees of freedom on $0\nu\beta\beta$ NMEs.

IMPLEMENTATIONS

- Non-relativistic Gogny and Relativistic energy density functionals (EDF).
- SO(8) and Pairing (isoscalar and isovector) plus quadrupole Hamiltonians.
- Shell Model interactions in reduced valence spaces (in progress).

Gogny interaction

Effective nucleon-nucleon interaction: Gogny force (DIS/D1M)

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Other alternatives: Skyrme, relativistic Lagrangians, BCPM, ...



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1. Axial states $K = 0$
2. Angular momentum $J = 0$
3. Quadrupole deformations $q = q_{20}$
4. Quadrupole and pairing pp/nn correlations $q = (q_{20}, \delta)$
5. Quadrupole and pn correlations $q = (q_{20}, p_0)$
6. Quadrupole and octupole deformations $q = (q_{20}, q_{30})$



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TRANSITIONS:

$$M_{\xi}^{0\nu\beta\beta} = \langle 0_f^+ | \hat{O}_{\xi}^{0\nu\beta\beta} | 0_i^+ \rangle = \langle 0; N_f Z_f | \hat{O}_{\xi}^{0\nu\beta\beta} | 0; N_i Z_i \rangle =$$

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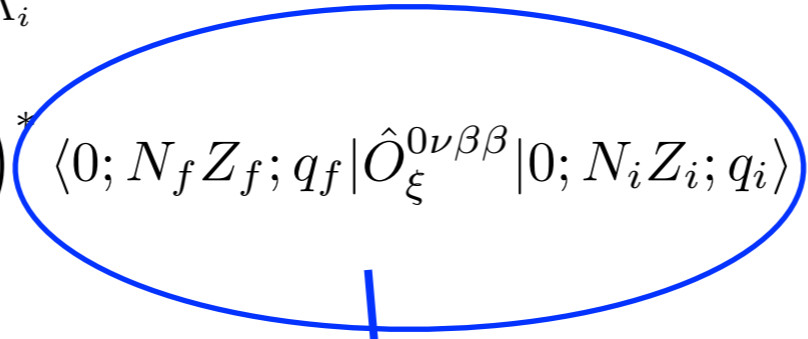
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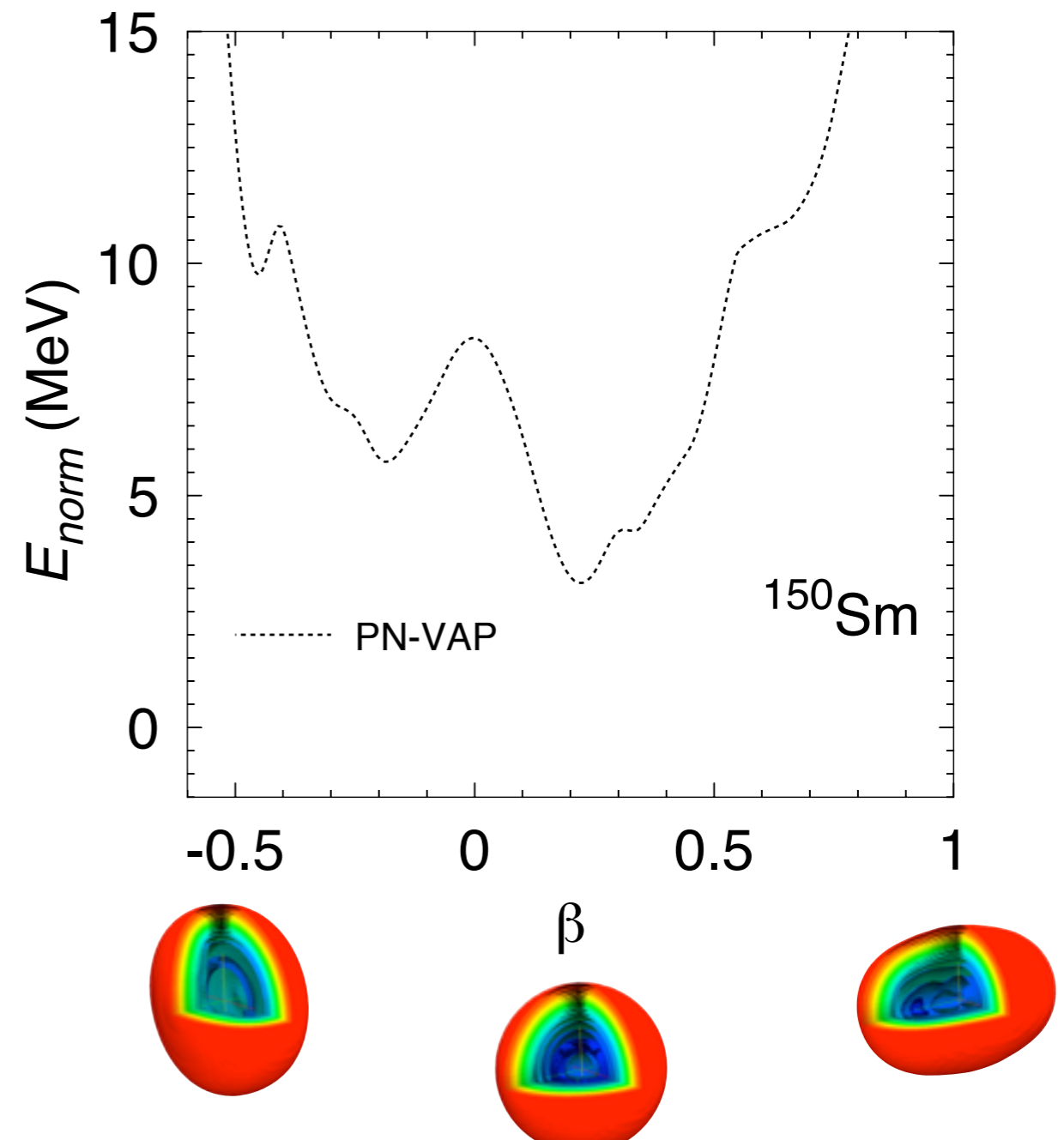
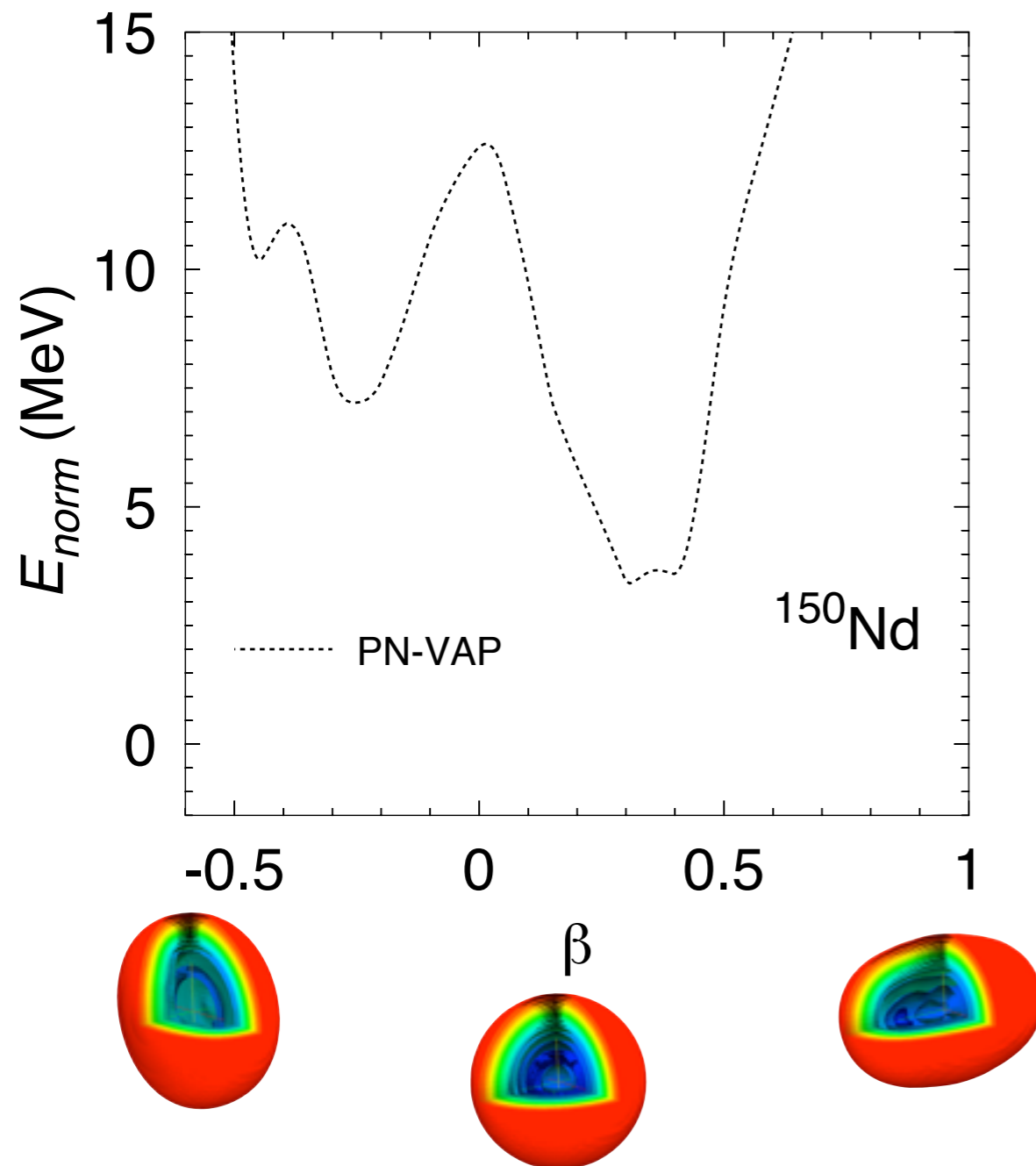
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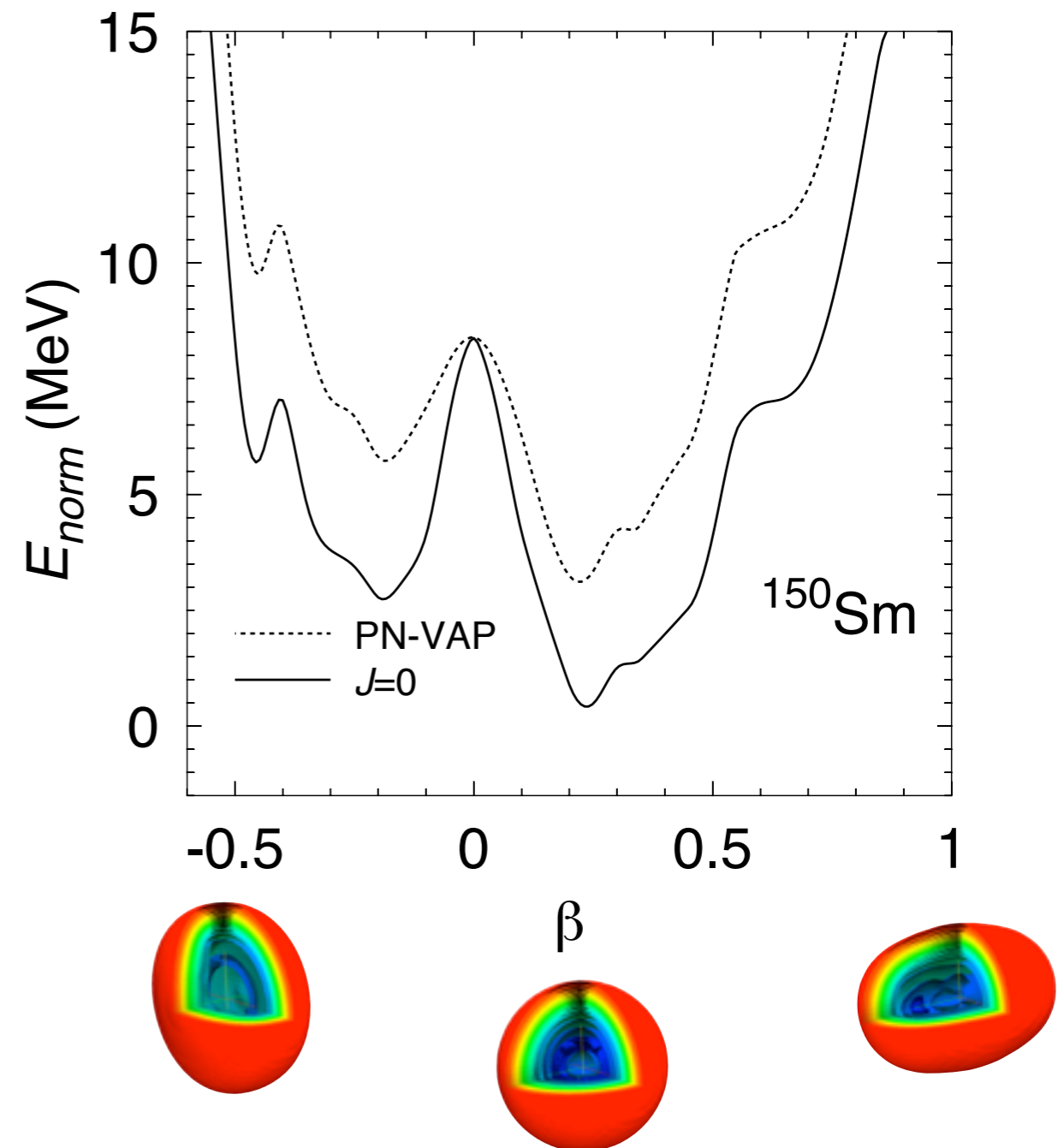
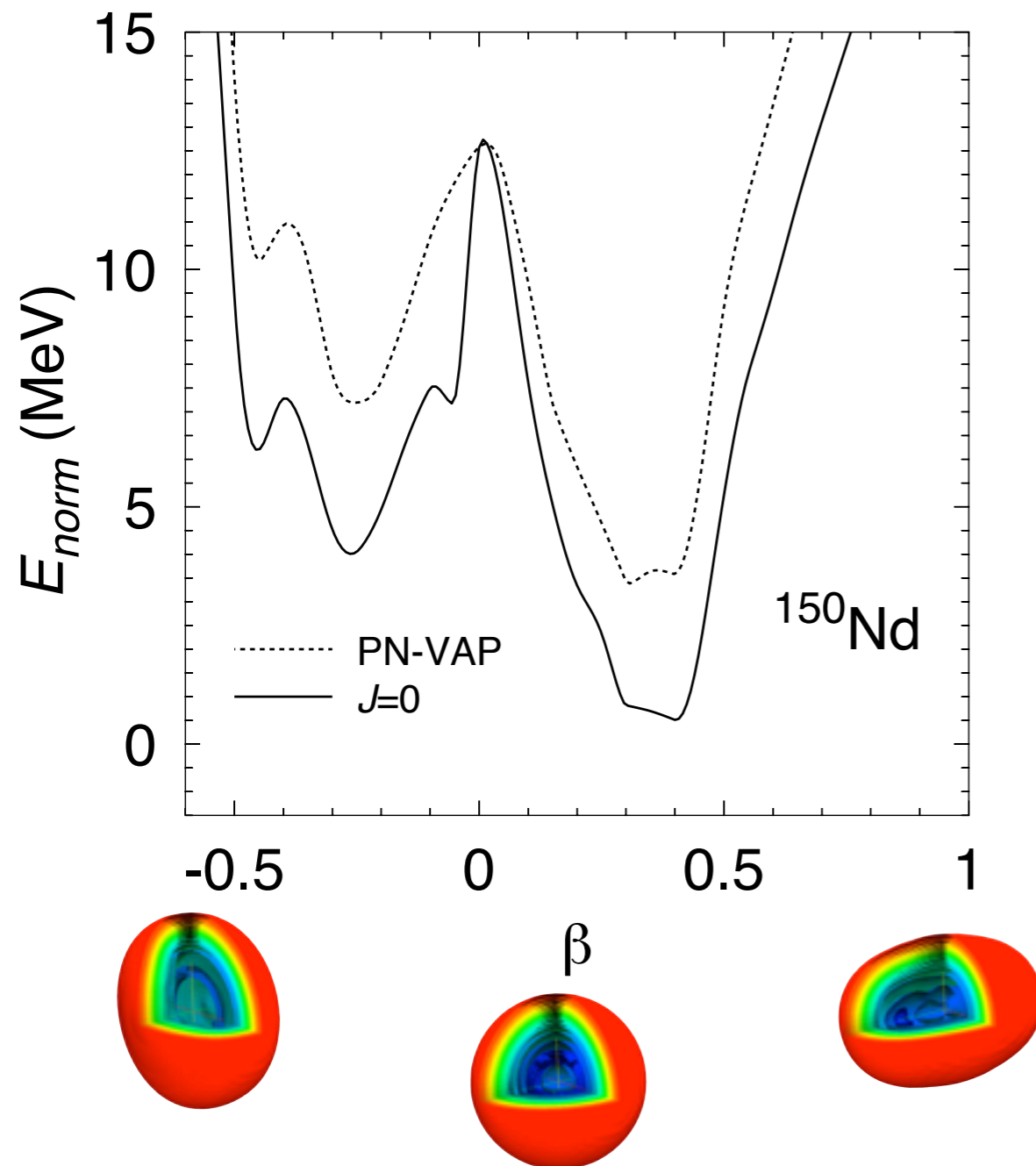


Matrix elements of the double beta transition operators between particle number and angular momentum projected states

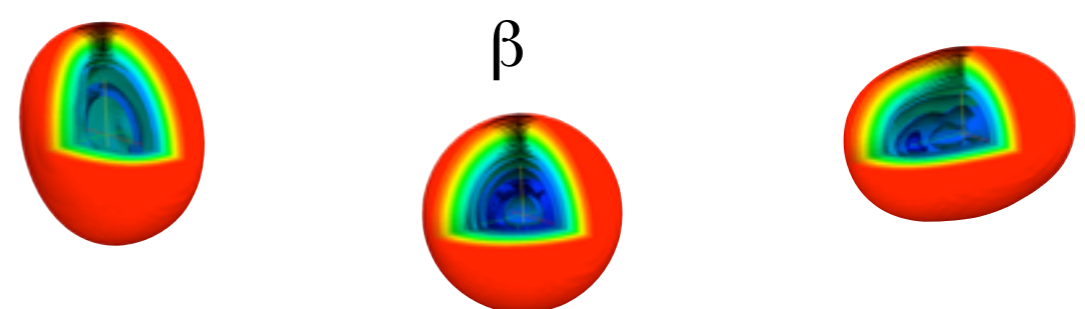
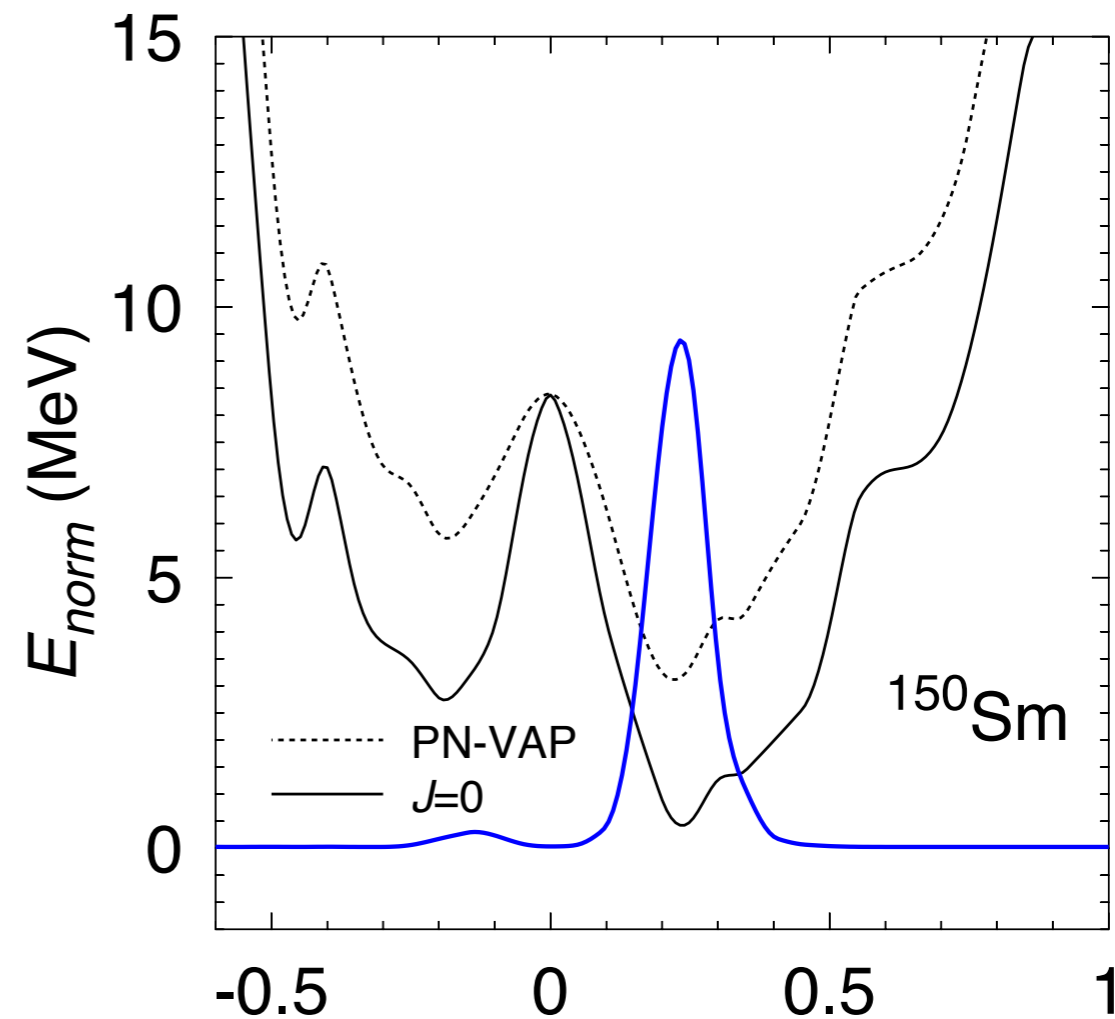
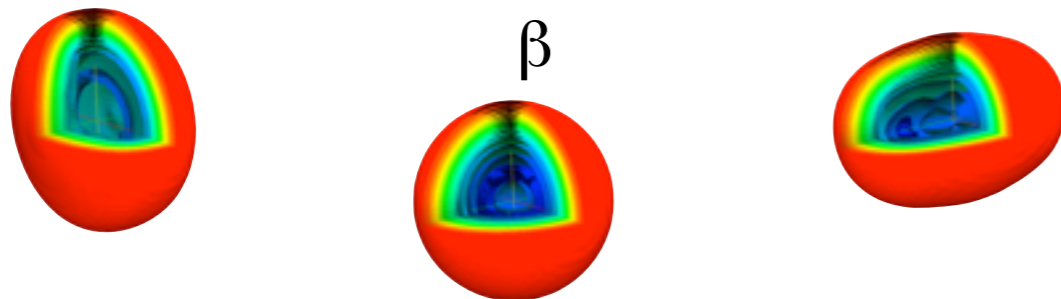
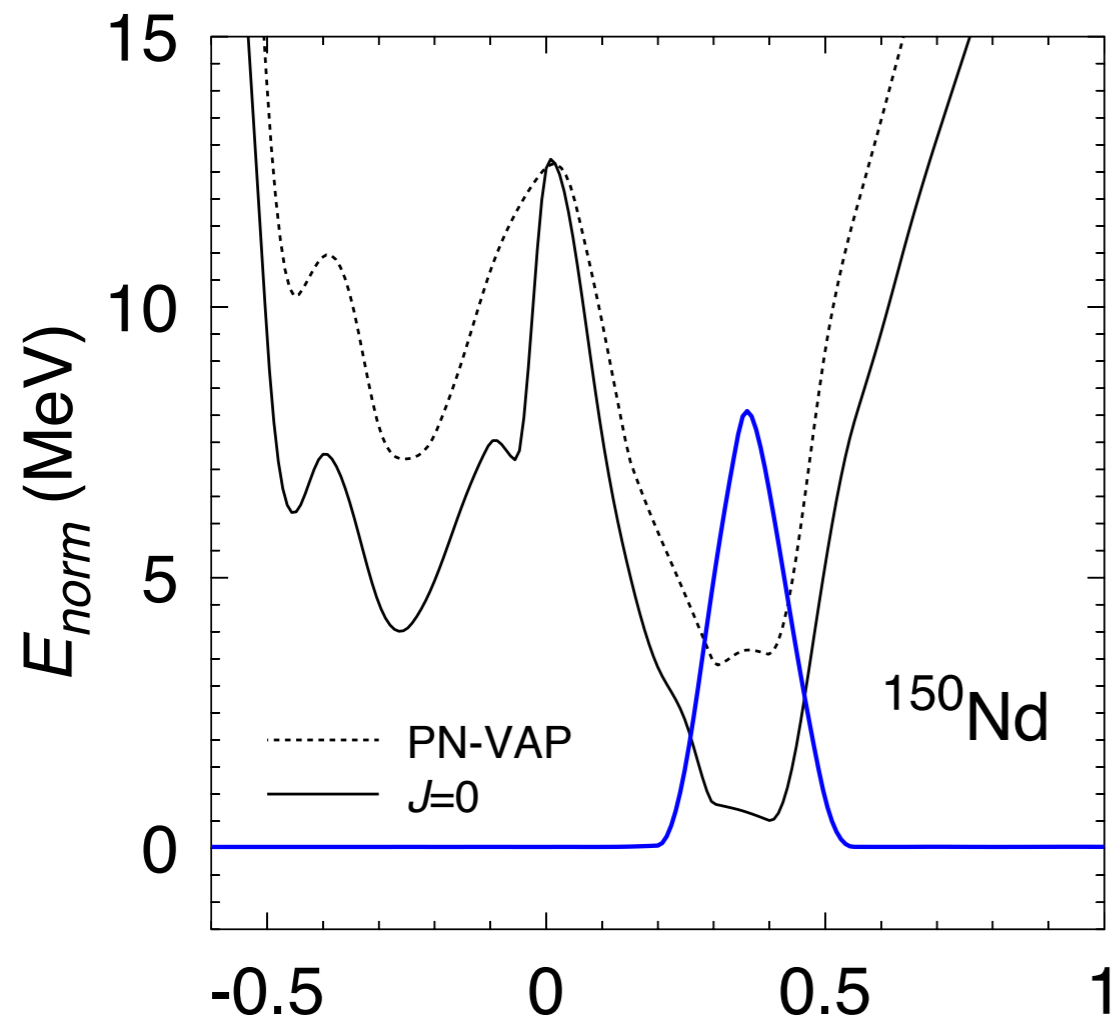
Determination of initial and final states (I)



Determination of initial and final states (II)



Determination of initial and final states (and III)



Ground state properties



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Neutrinoless double beta decay candidates

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Table 1

Masses, rms charge radii and total Gamow–Teller strengths $S_{-(+)}$ for mother (granddaughter) calculated with Gogny D1S GCM+PNAMP functional compared to experimental values. Theoretical values for $S_{+/-}$ are quenched by a factor $(0.74)^2$.

Isotope	BE_{th} (MeV)	BE^{exp} (MeV) [27]	R_{th} (fm)	R^{exp} (fm) [28]	$S_{-/+}^{theo}$	$S_{-/+}^{exp}$
^{48}Ca	420.623	415.991	3.465	3.473	13.55	(14.4 ± 2.2 [29])
^{48}Ti	423.597	418.699	3.557	3.591	1.99	(1.9 ± 0.5 [29])
^{76}Ge	664.204	661.598	4.024	4.081	20.97	(19.89 [30])
^{76}Se	664.949	662.072	4.074	4.139	1.49	(1.45 ± 0.07 [31])
^{82}Se	716.794	712.842	4.100	4.139	23.56	(21.91 [30])
^{82}Kr	717.859	714.273	4.130	4.192	1.24	
^{96}Zr	829.432	828.995	4.298	4.349	27.63	
^{96}Mo	833.793	830.778	4.319	4.384	2.56	(0.29 ± 0.08 [32])
^{100}Mo	861.526	860.457	4.372	4.445	27.87	(26.69 [30])
^{100}Ru	864.875	861.927	4.388	4.453	2.48	
^{116}Cd	988.469	987.440	4.556	4.628	34.30	(32.70 [30])
^{116}Sn	991.079	988.684	4.567	4.626	2.61	(1.09 ^{+0.13} _{-0.57} [33])
^{124}Sn	1051.668	1049.96	4.622	4.675	40.65	
^{124}Te	1051.562	1050.69	4.664	4.717	1.63	
^{128}Te	1082.257	1081.44	4.686	4.735	40.48	(40.08 [30])
^{128}Xe	1080.996	1080.74	4.723	4.775	1.45	
^{130}Te	1096.627	1095.94	4.695	4.742	43.57	(45.90 [30])
^{130}Xe	1097.245	1096.91	4.732	4.783	1.19	
^{136}Xe	1143.333	1141.88	4.756	4.799	46.71	
^{136}Ba	1143.202	1142.77	4.786	4.832	0.96	
^{150}Nd	1234.512	1237.45	5.034	5.041	50.32	
^{150}Sm	1235.936	1239.25	5.041	5.040	1.45	

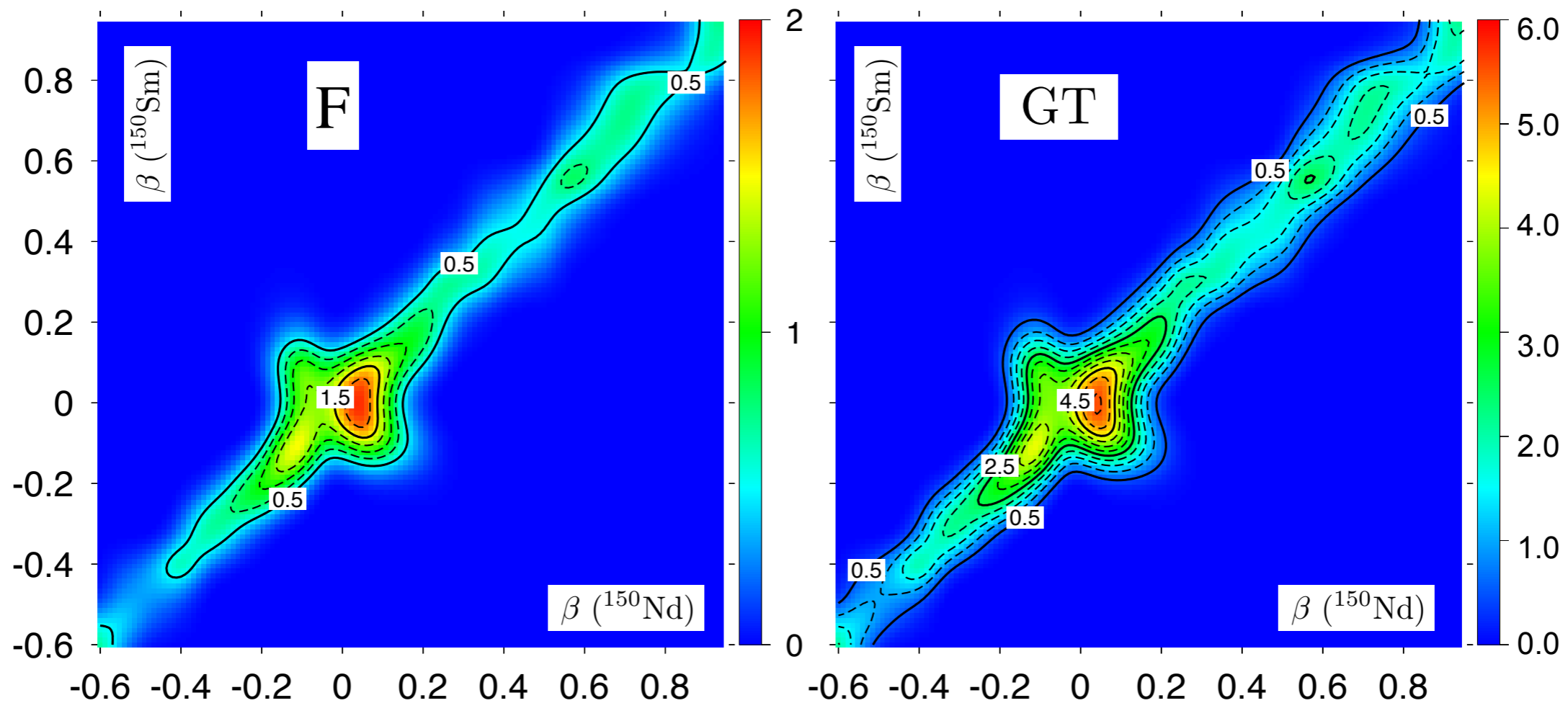
Good agreement between experimental and theoretical Q-values, radii and total strength (quenched)

NME: axial quadrupole deformation

$$\frac{\langle 0; N_f Z_f; q_f | \hat{O}_\xi^{0\nu\beta\beta} | 0; N_i Z_i; q_i \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle 0; N_f Z_f; q_f | 0; N_f Z_f; q_f \rangle \langle 0; N_i Z_i; q_i | 0; N_i Z_i; q_i \rangle}}$$

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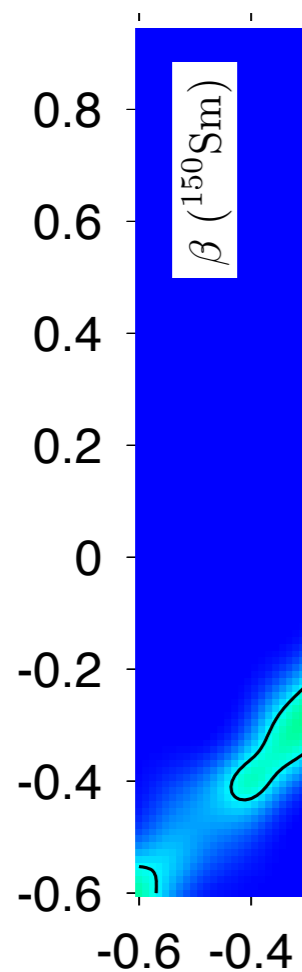
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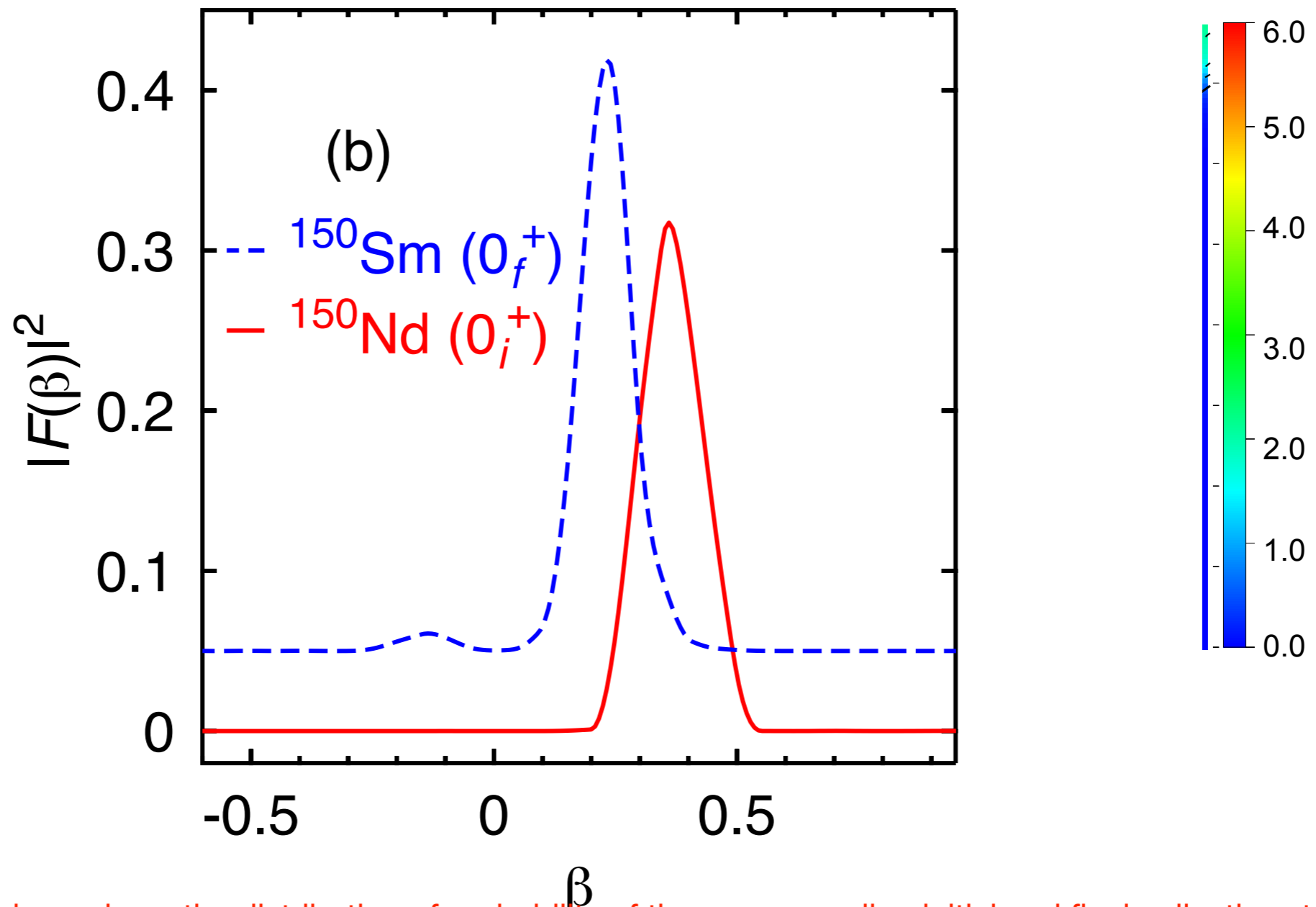
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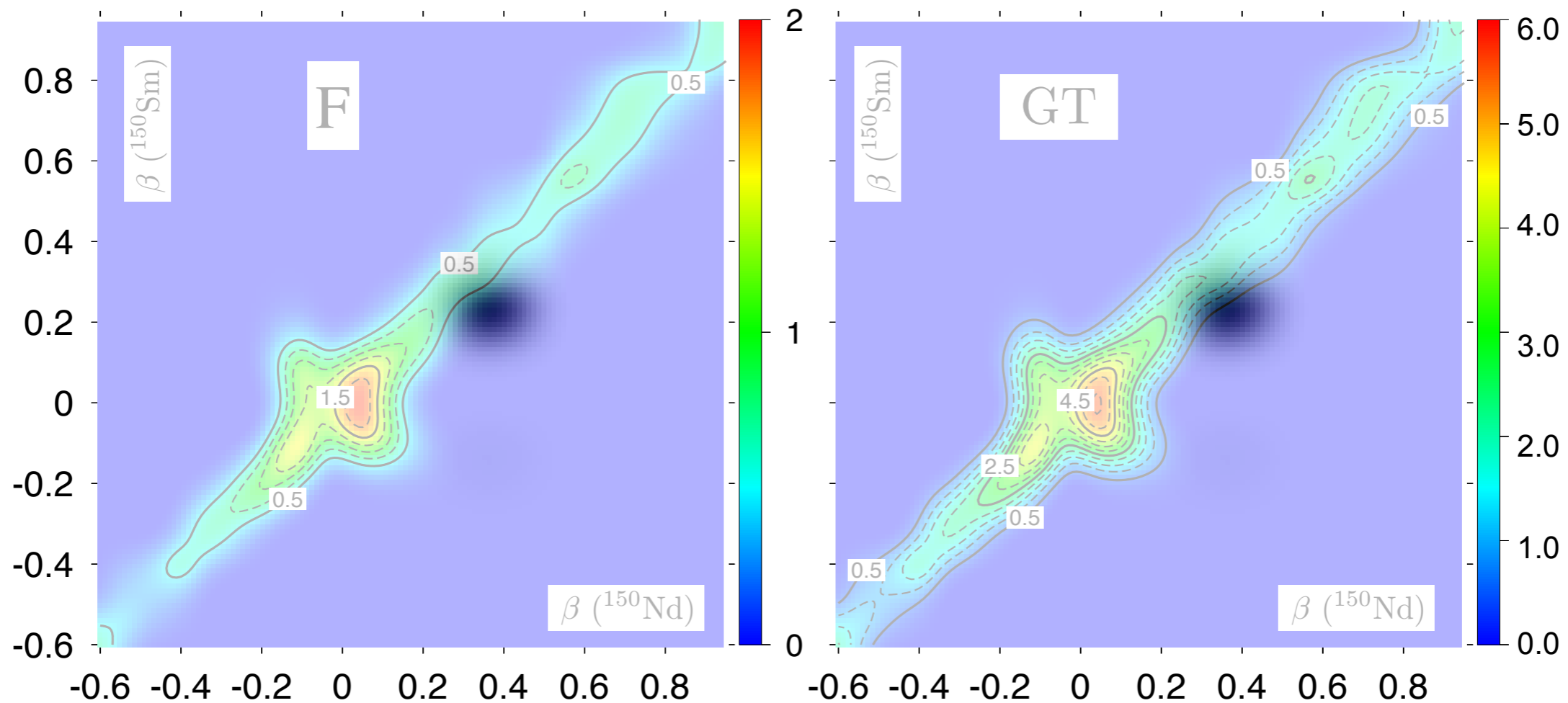


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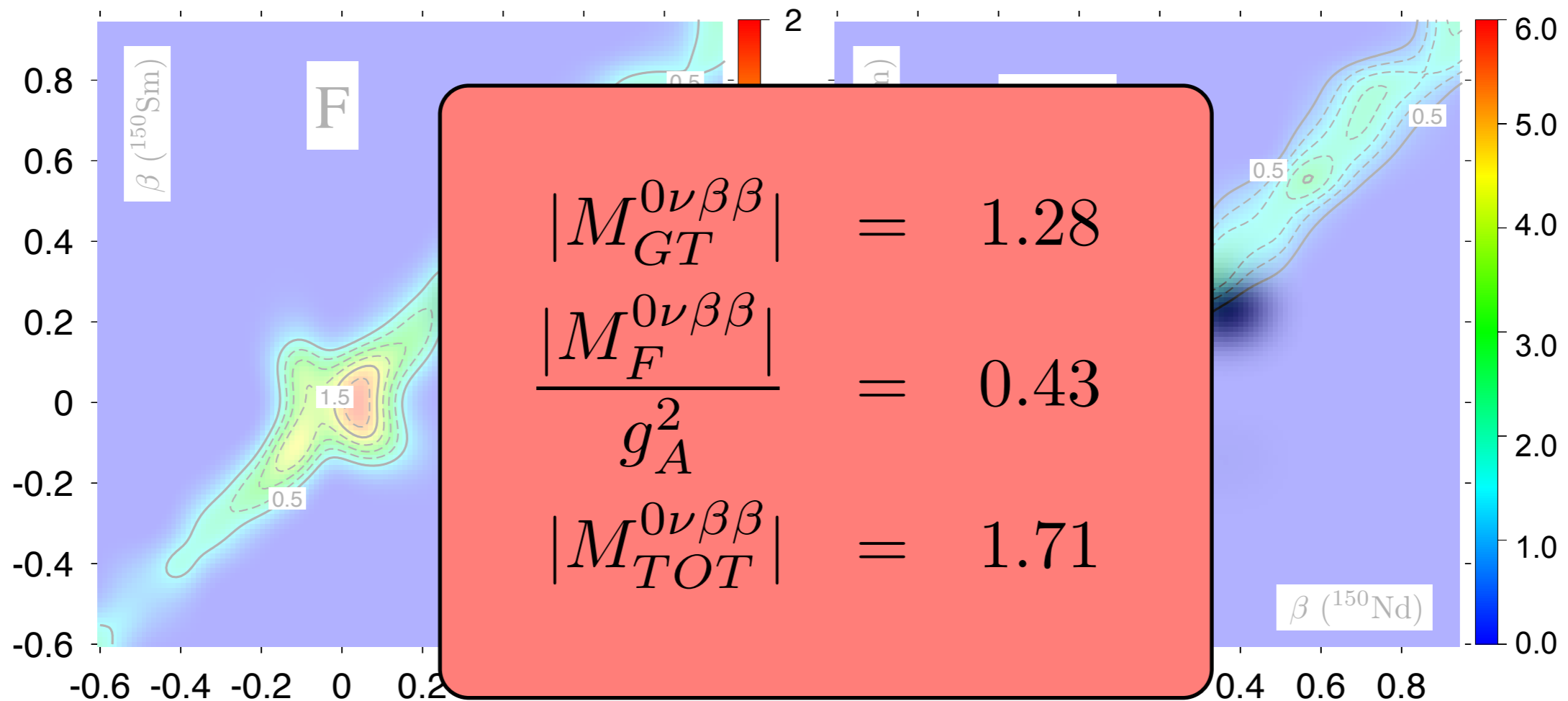
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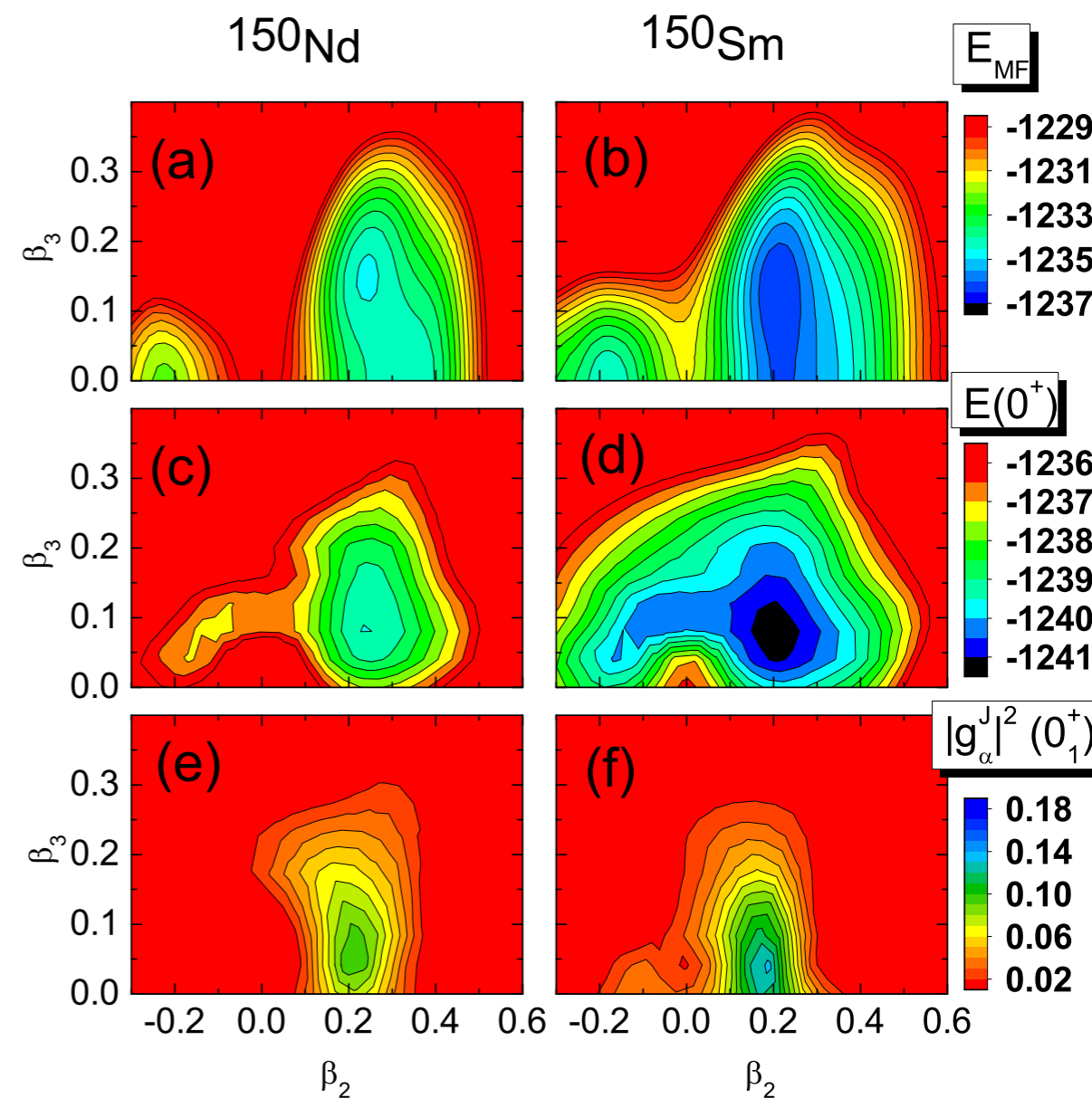
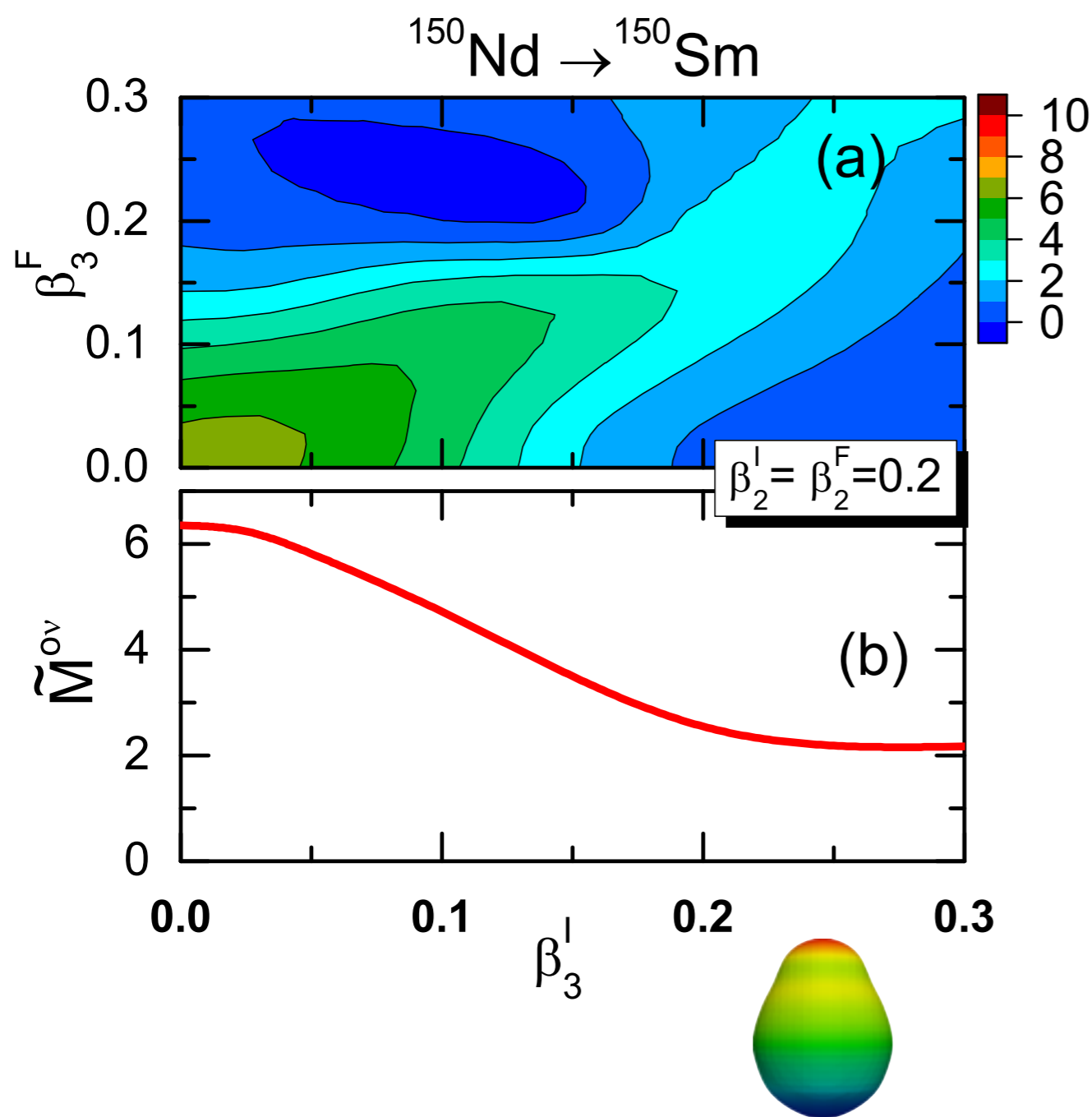
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NME: axial quadrupole plus octupole deformation

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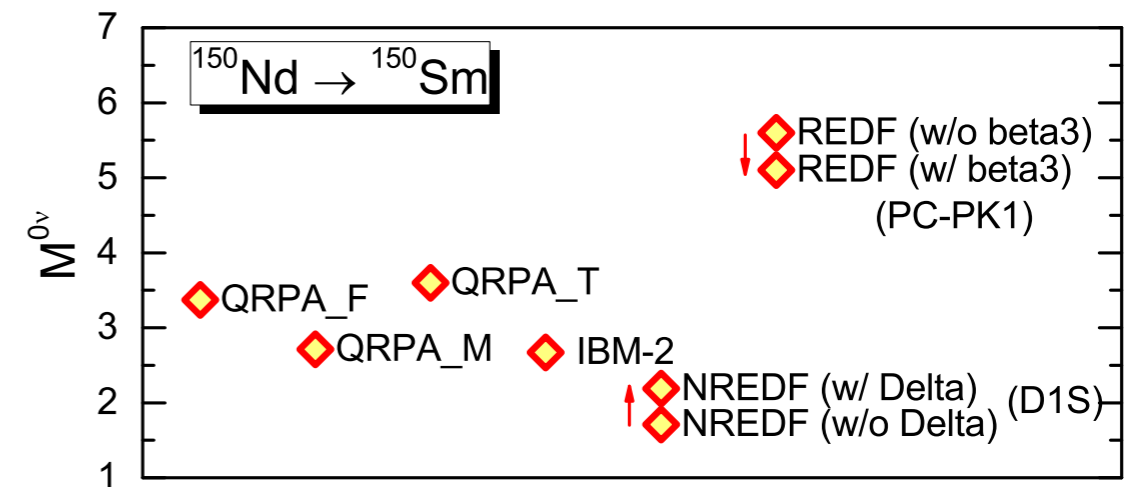
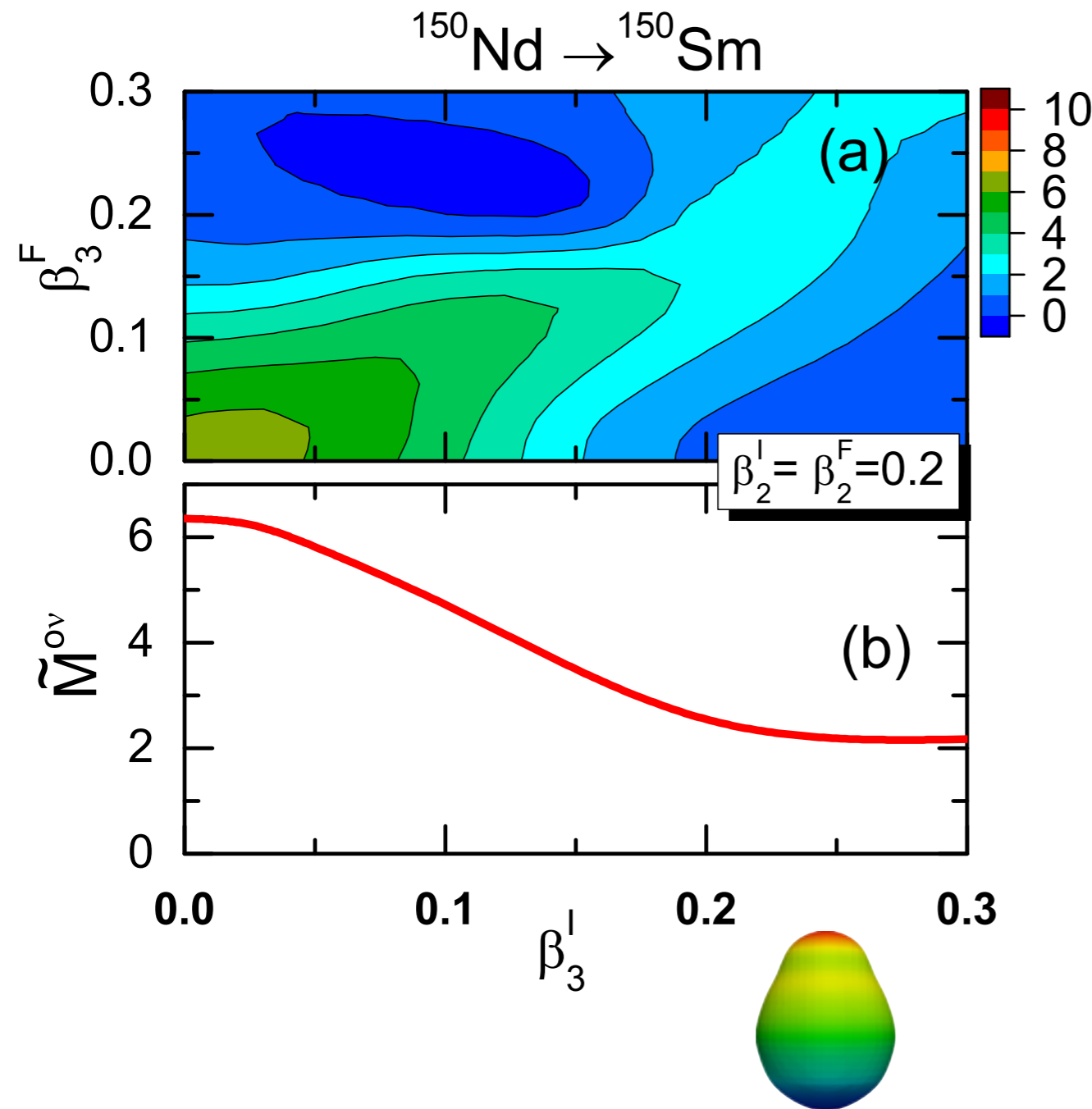


FIG. 5: (Color online) The final matrix element $M^{0\nu}$ from the GCM calculation with and without [46] octupole shape fluctuations (REDF) and those of the QRPA (“QRPA_F” [66], “QRPA_M” [45], “QRPA_T” [47]), the IBM-2 [67], and the non-relativistic GCM, based on the Gogny D1S interaction, with [68] and without [44] pairing fluctuations.

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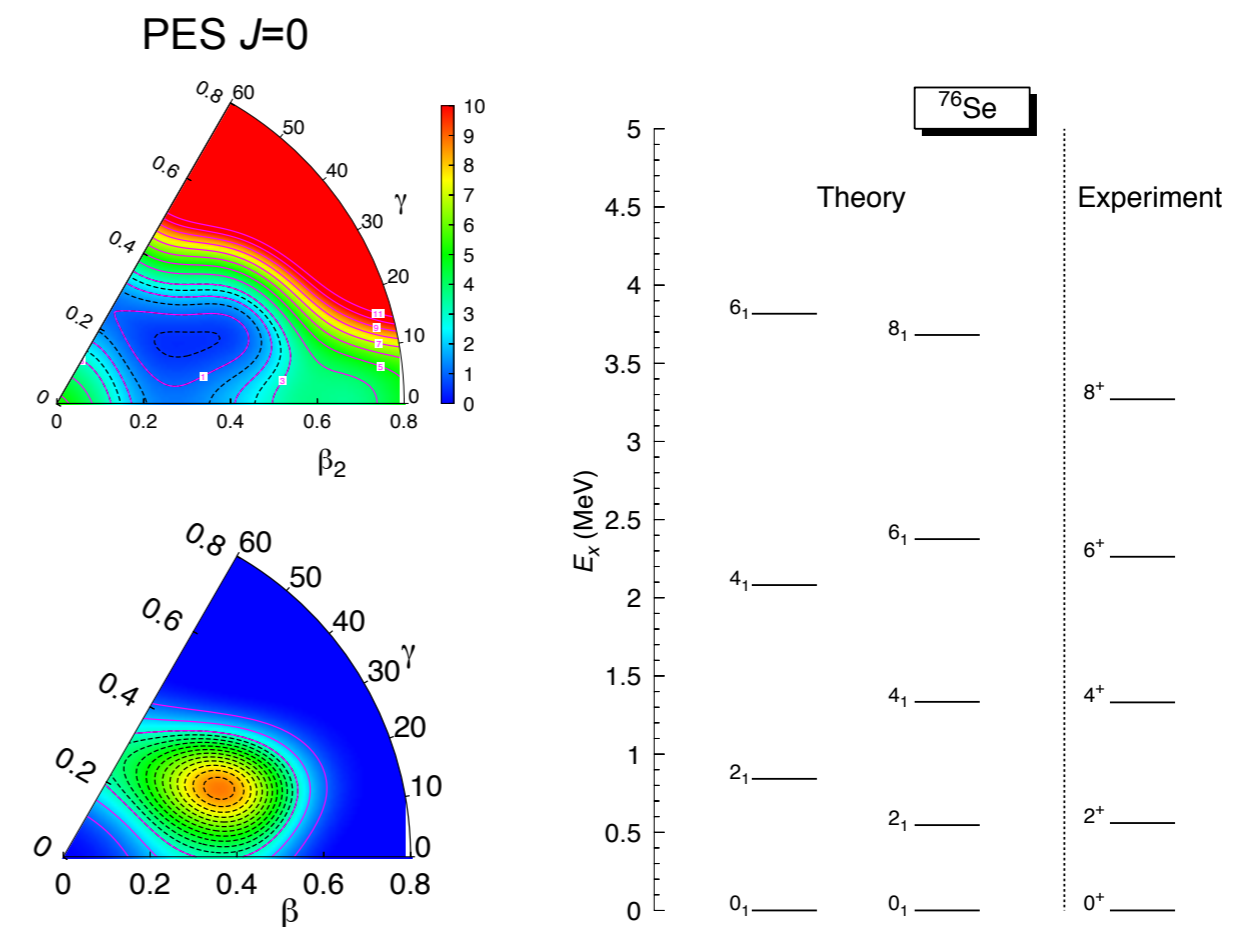
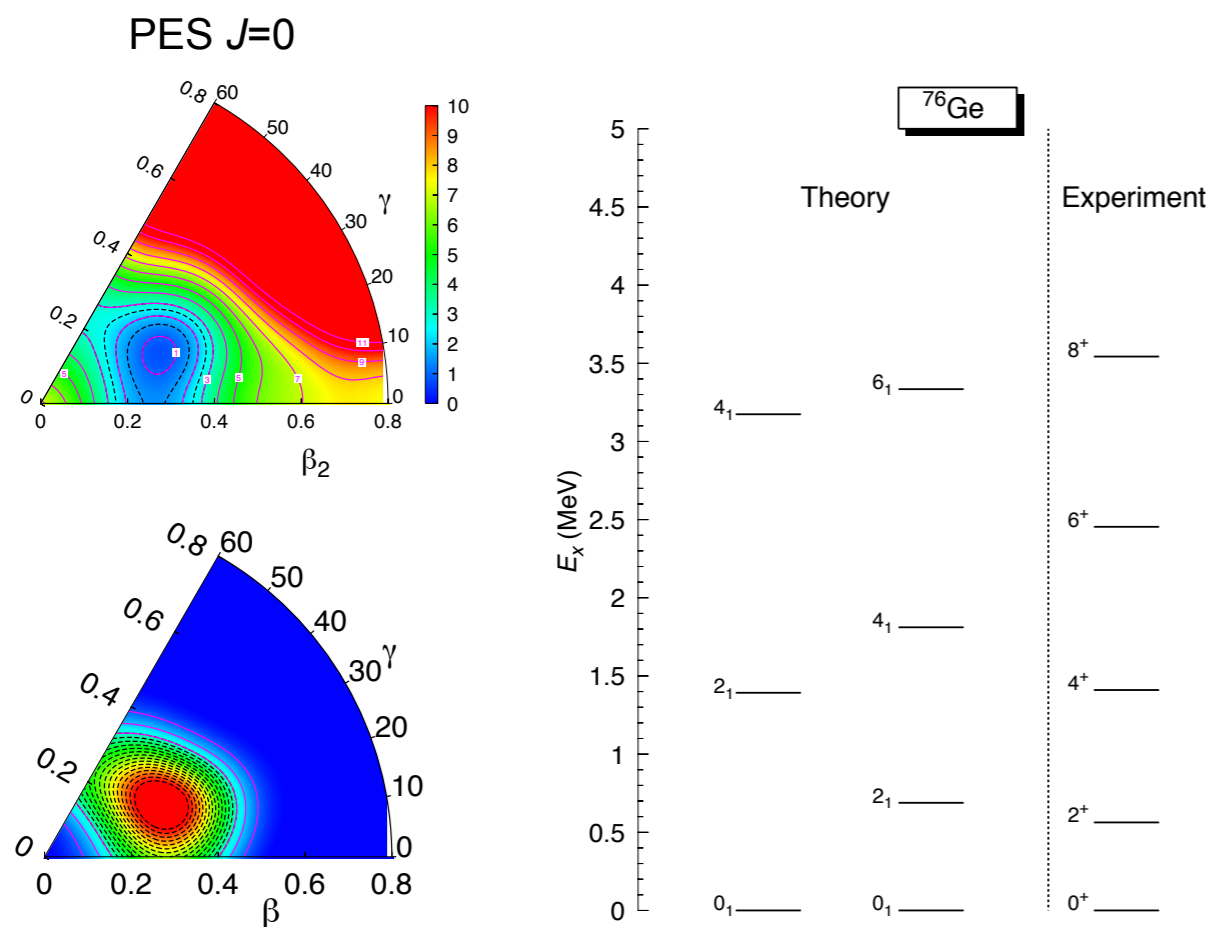
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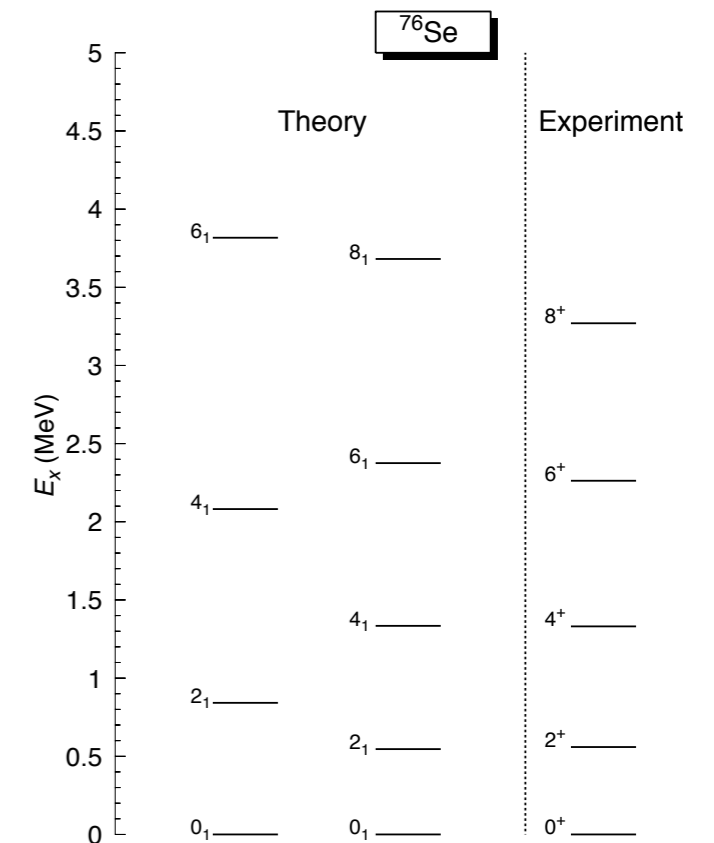
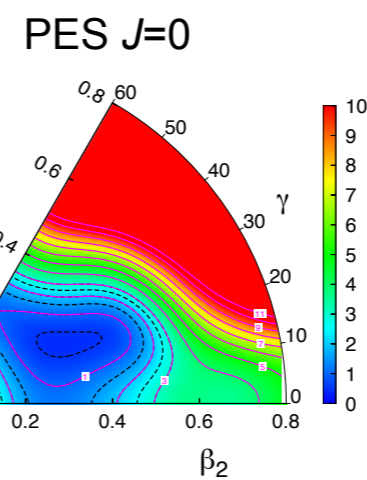
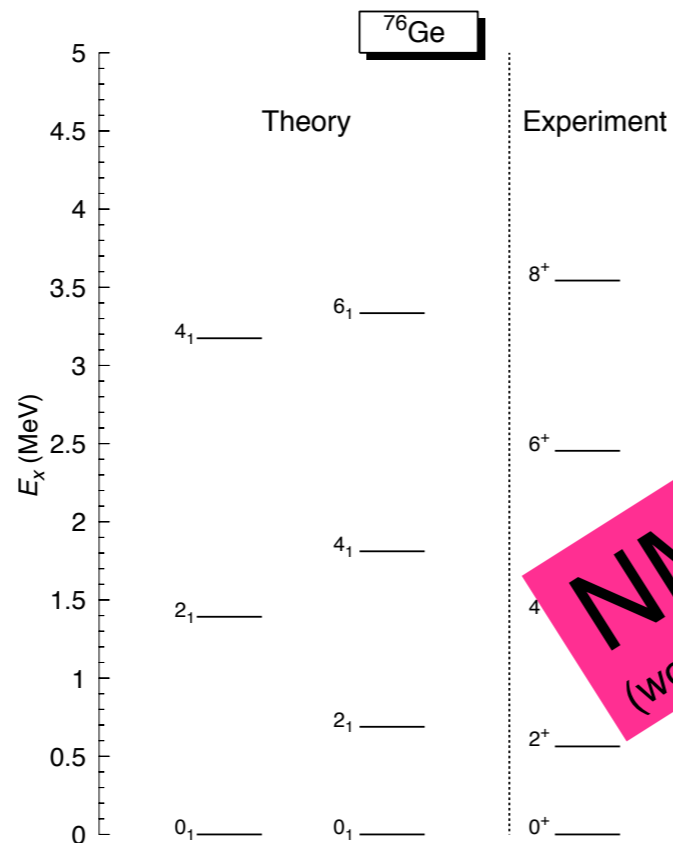
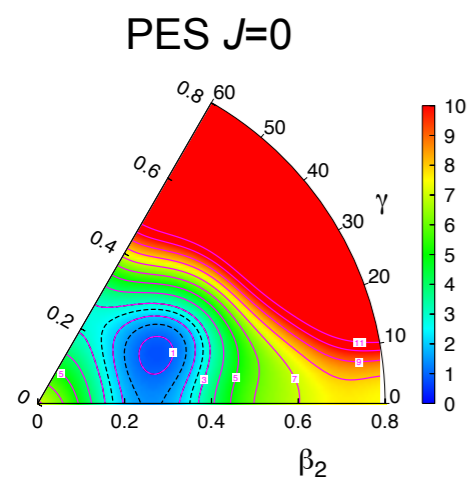
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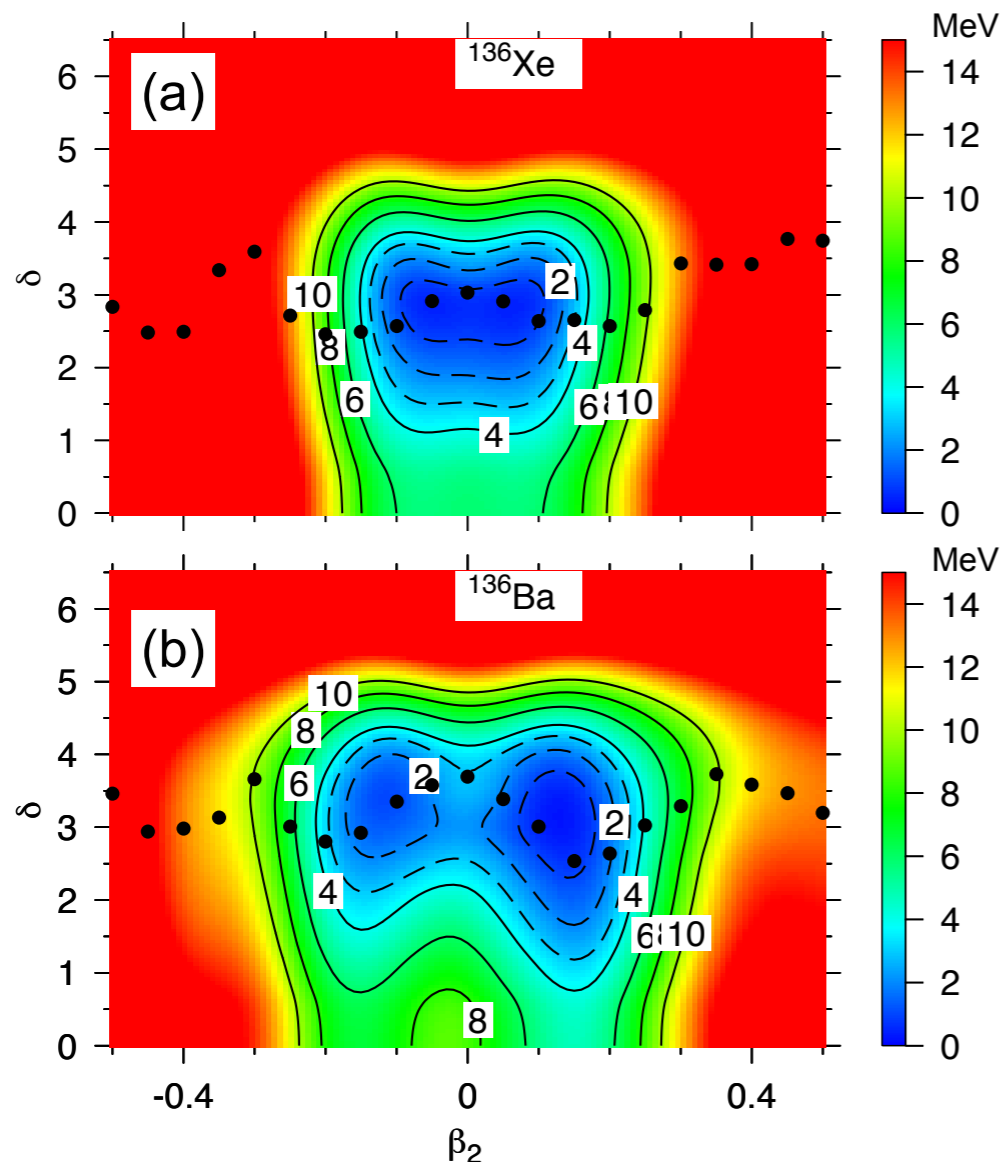
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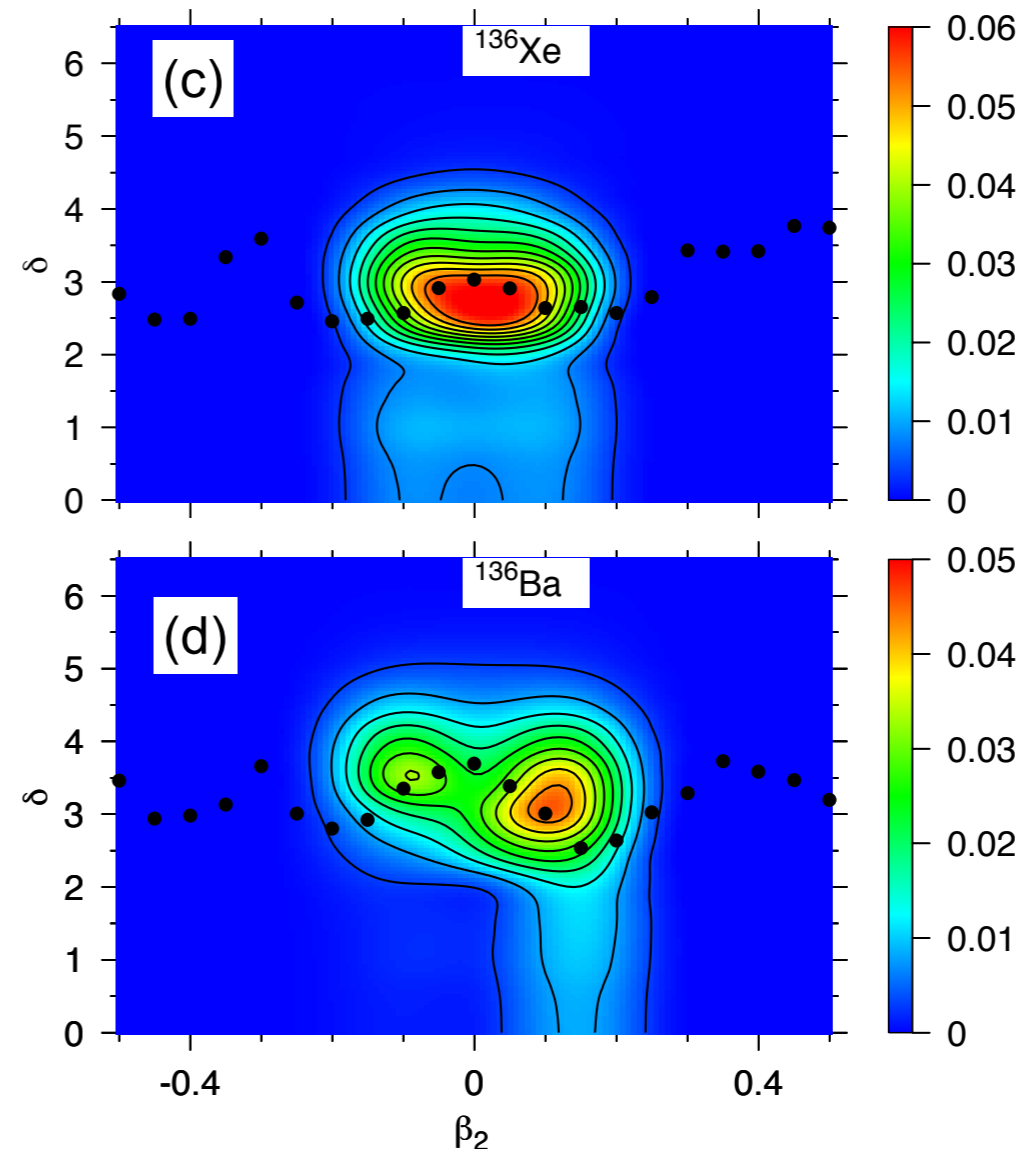
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NME: Shape and pp/nn pairing fluctuations

Angular momentum projected potential energy surfaces



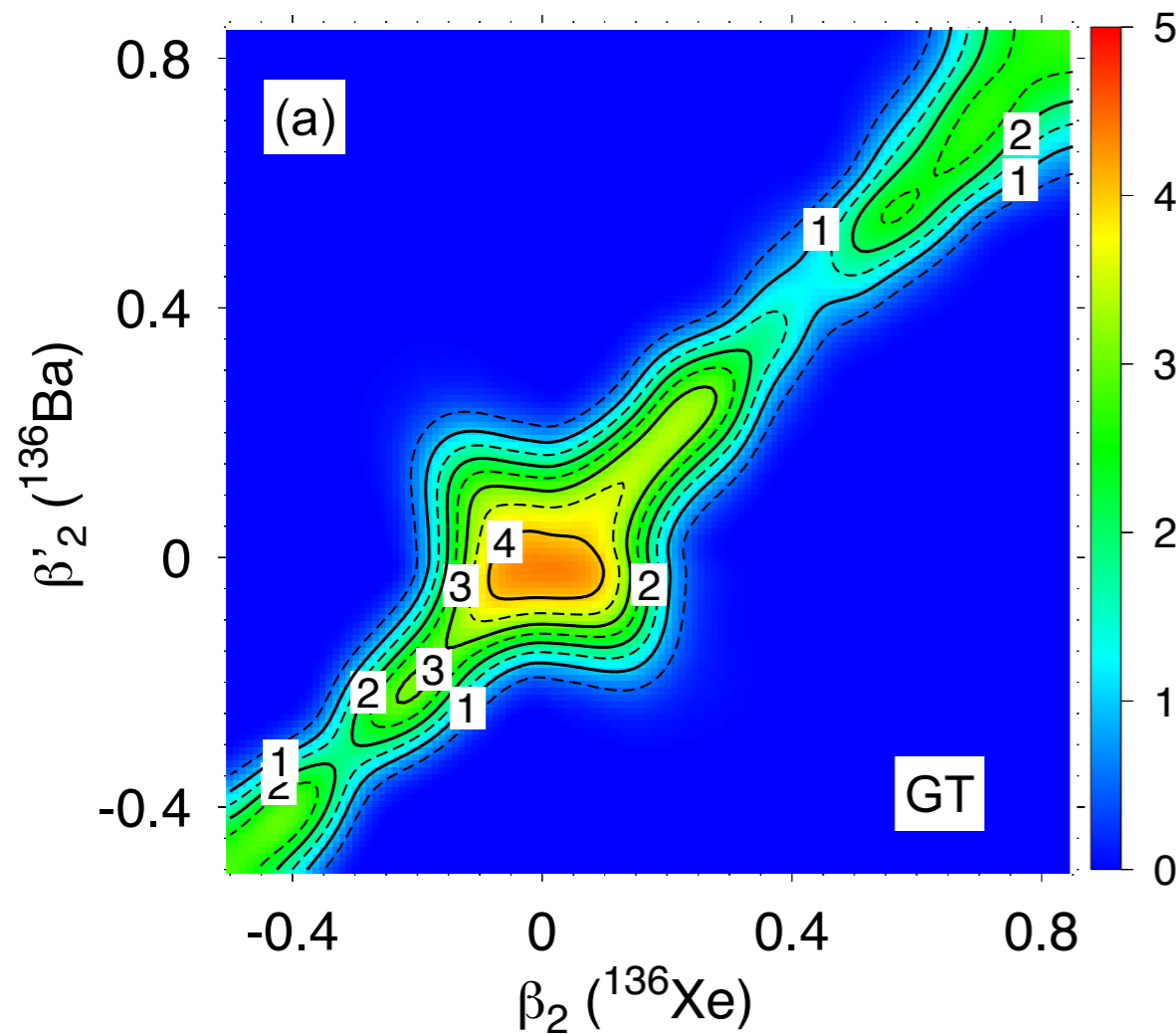
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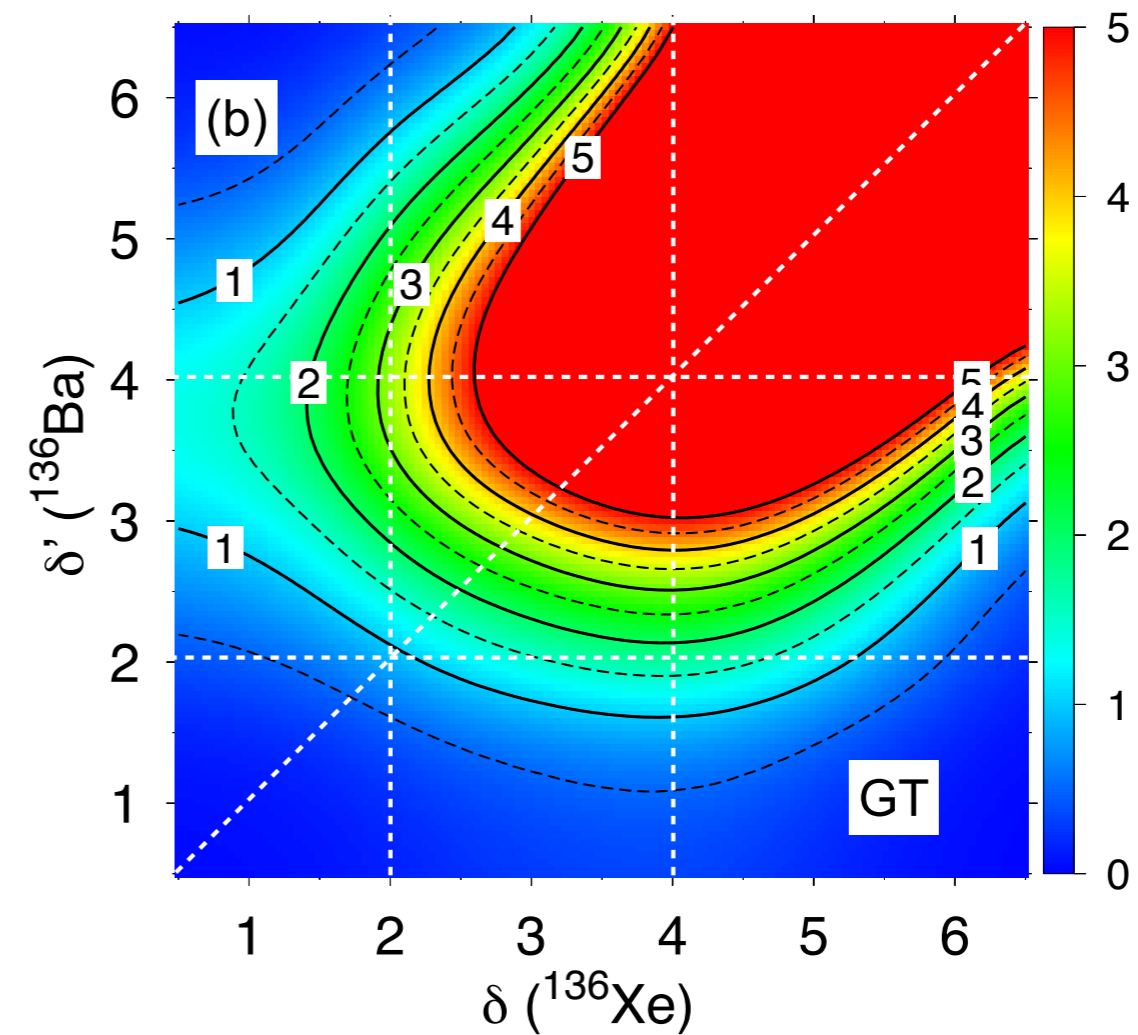
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Dependence on deformation



Dependence on pp/nn pairing



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^{48}Ca	0.265	0.131	$2.370^{1.914}_{0.456}$	$2.229^{1.797}_{0.431}$	-6	1.13
^{76}Ge	0.271	0.190	$4.601^{3.715}_{0.886}$	$5.551^{4.470}_{1.082}$	21	0.69
^{82}Se	-0.366	-0.246	$4.218^{3.381}_{0.837}$	$4.674^{3.743}_{0.931}$	11	0.81
^{96}Zr	2.580	2.628	$5.650^{4.618}_{1.032}$	$6.498^{5.296}_{1.202}$	15	0.76
^{100}Mo	1.879	1.757	$5.084^{4.149}_{0.935}$	$6.588^{5.361}_{1.227}$	30	0.60
^{116}Cd	1.365	1.337	$4.795^{3.931}_{0.864}$	$5.348^{4.372}_{0.976}$	12	0.80
^{124}Sn	-0.830	-0.687	$4.808^{3.893}_{0.916}$	$5.787^{4.680}_{1.107}$	20	0.69
^{128}Te	-0.564	-0.594	$4.107^{3.079}_{1.027}$	$5.687^{4.255}_{1.432}$	38	0.52
^{130}Te	-0.348	-0.628	$5.130^{4.141}_{0.989}$	$6.405^{5.161}_{1.244}$	25	0.64
^{136}Xe	-1.027	-0.787	$4.199^{3.673}_{0.526}$	$4.773^{4.170}_{0.604}$	14	0.77
^{150}Nd	-0.380	-0.282	$1.707^{1.278}_{0.429}$	$2.190^{1.639}_{0.551}$	29	0.61

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NME: Shape and pn pairing fluctuations

$$H = h_0 - \sum_{\mu=-1}^1 g_{\mu}^{T=1} S_{\mu}^{\dagger} S_{\mu} - \frac{\chi}{2} \sum_{K=-2}^2 Q_{2K}^{\dagger} Q_{2K} - g^{T=0} \sum_{\nu=-1}^1 P_{\nu}^{\dagger} P_{\nu} + g_{ph} \sum_{\mu,\nu=-1}^1 F_{\nu}^{\mu\dagger} F_{\nu}^{\mu}, \quad (2)$$

where h_0 contains spherical single particle energies, Q_{2K} are the components of a quadrupole operator defined in Ref. [15], and

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$$H' = H - \lambda_Z N_Z - \lambda_N N_N - \lambda_Q Q_{20} - \frac{\lambda_P}{2} (P_0 + P_0^{\dagger}), \quad (6)$$

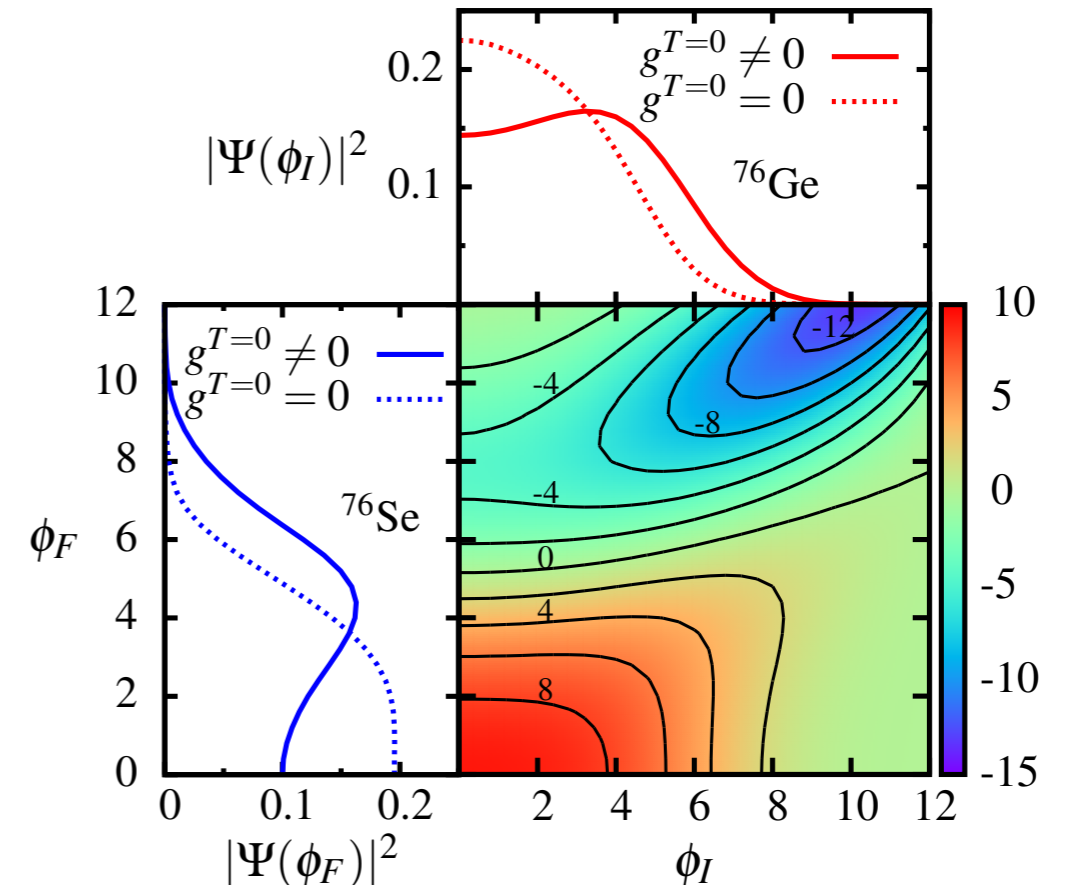


FIG. 3. (Color online.) **Bottom right:** $\mathcal{N}_{\phi_I} \mathcal{N}_{\phi_F} \langle \phi_F | \mathcal{P}_F \hat{M}_{0\nu} \mathcal{P}_I | \phi_I \rangle$ for projected quasiparticle vacua with different values of the initial and final isoscalar pairing amplitudes ϕ_I and ϕ_F , from the SkO'-based interaction (see text). **Top and bottom left:** Square of collective wave functions in ^{76}Ge and ^{76}Se .

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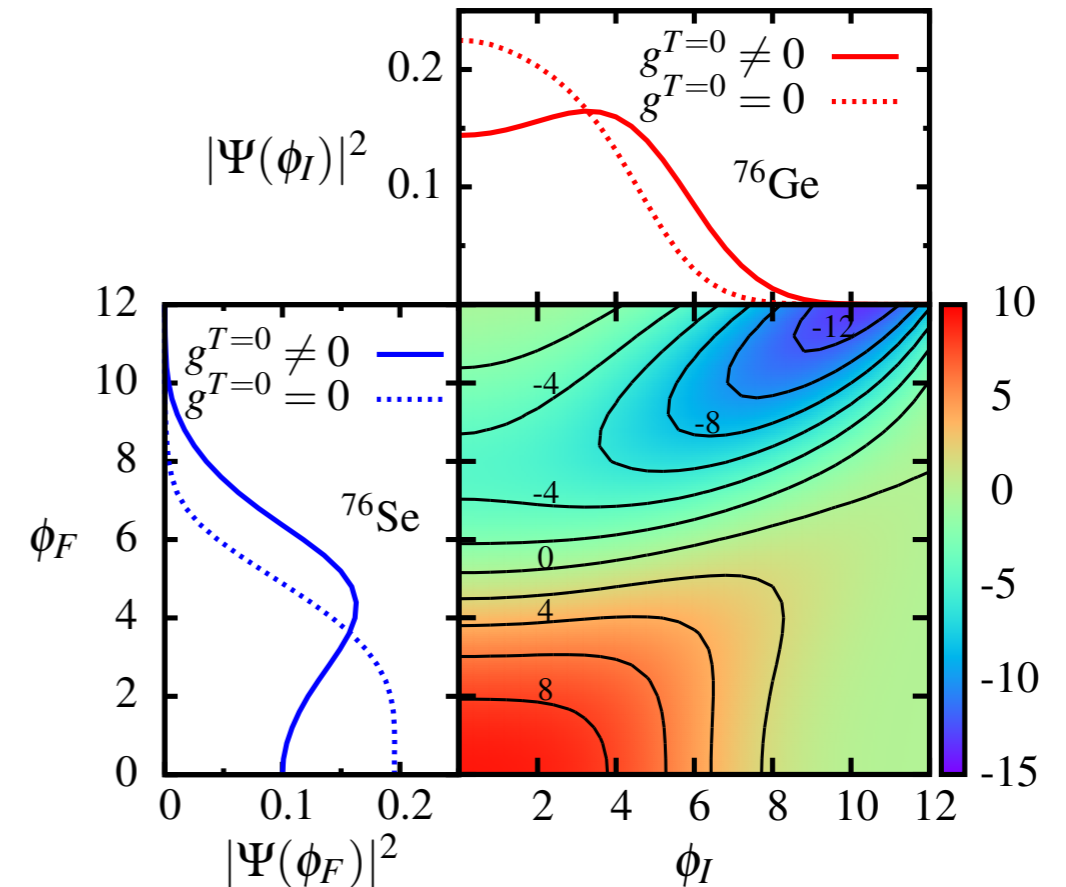


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Very difficult (perhaps impossible) to implement with current EDFs!

$$H' = H - \lambda_Z N_Z - \lambda_N N_N - \lambda_Q Q_{20} - \frac{\lambda_P}{4} (P_0 + P_0^{\dagger}), \quad (6)$$

NME in isotopic chains



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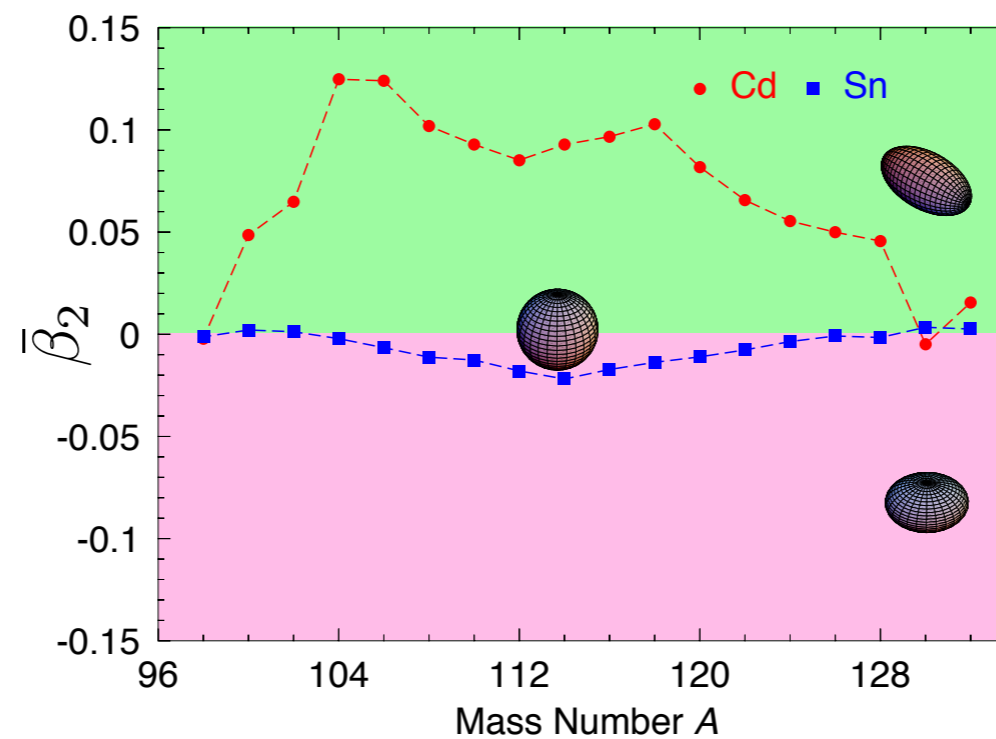
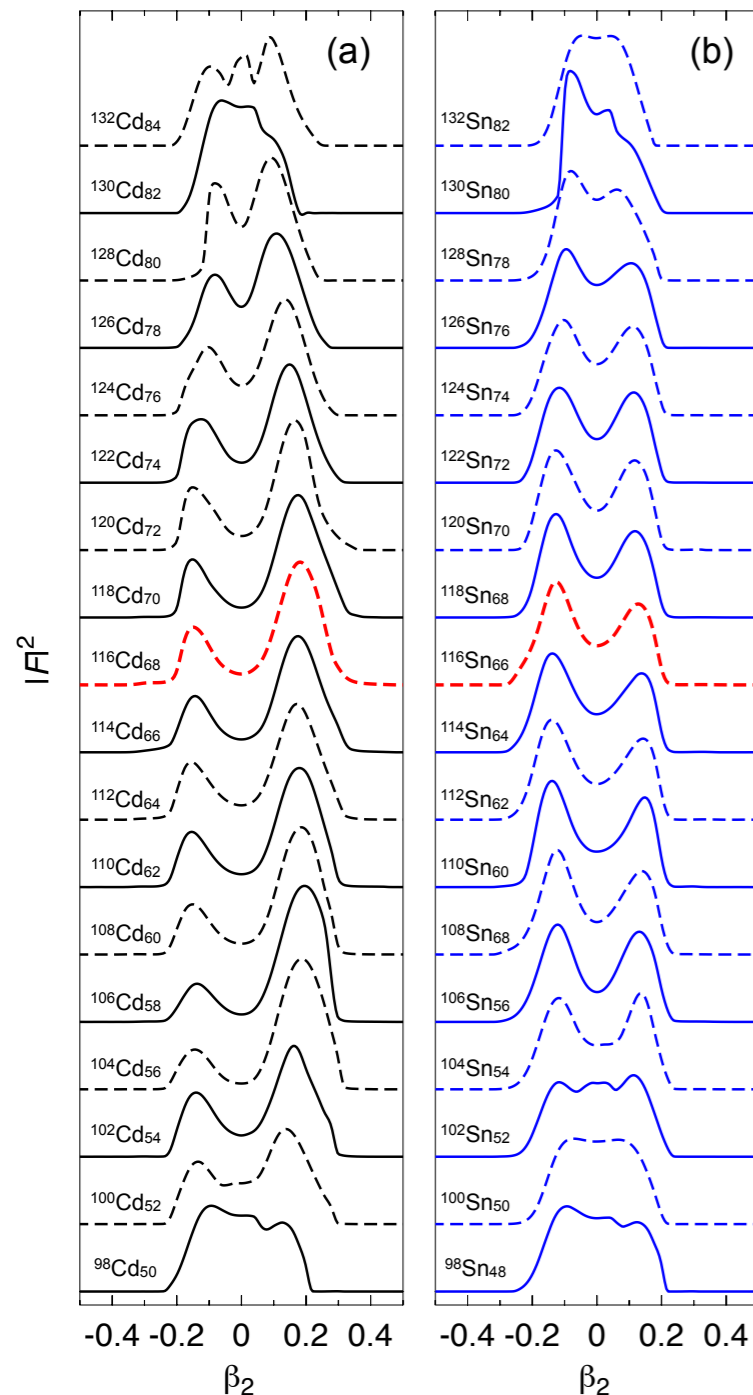
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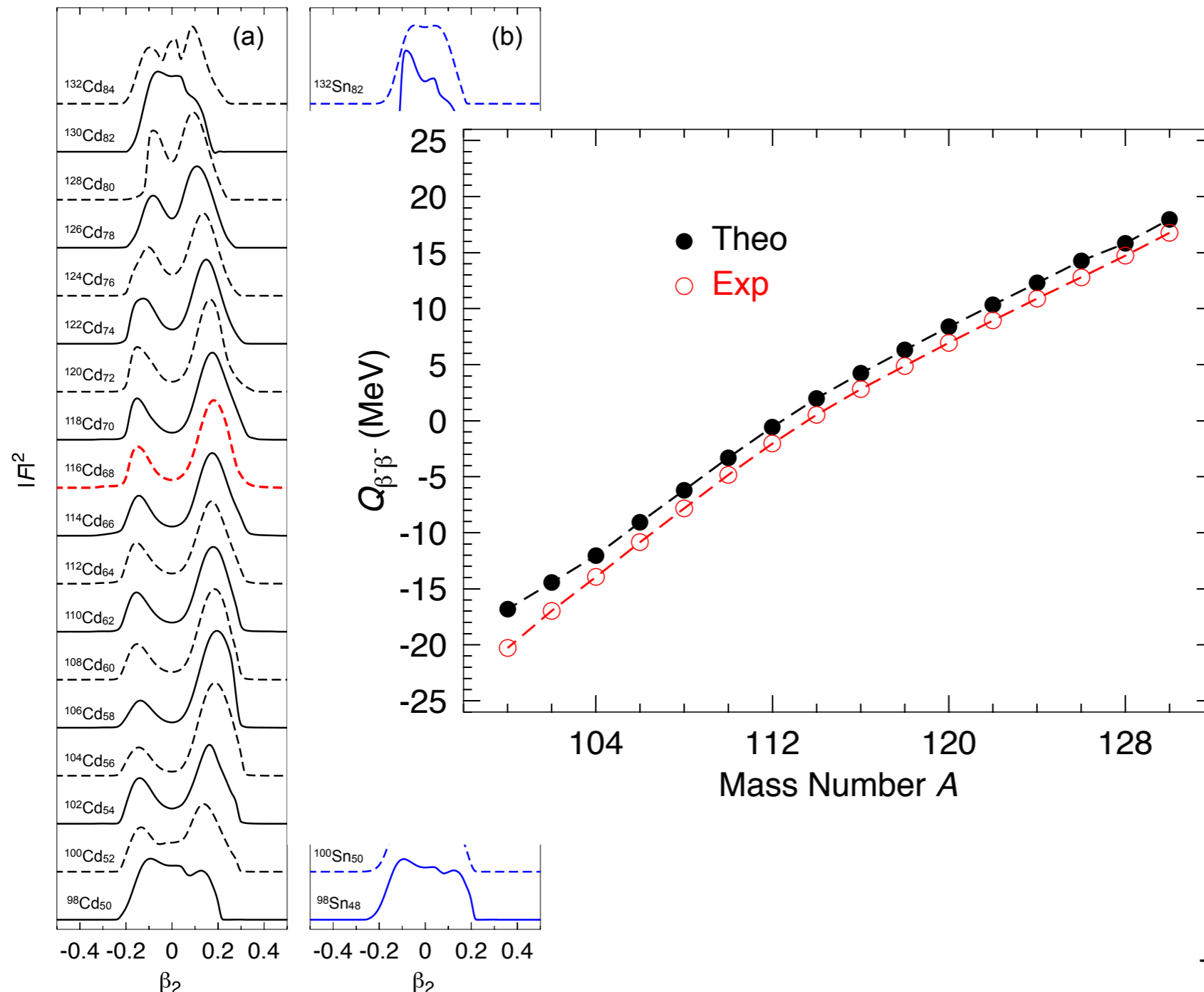
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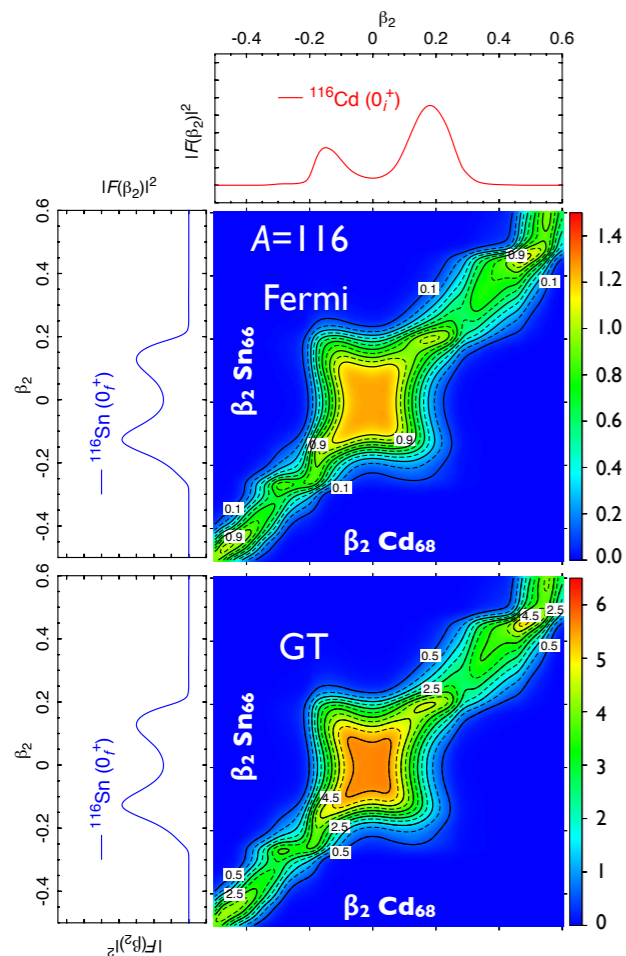


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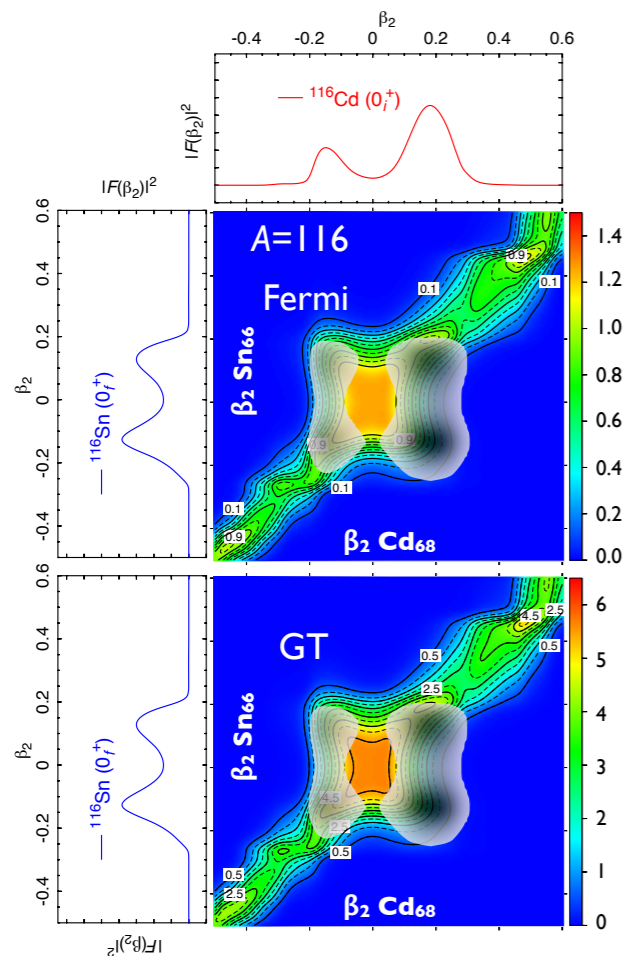
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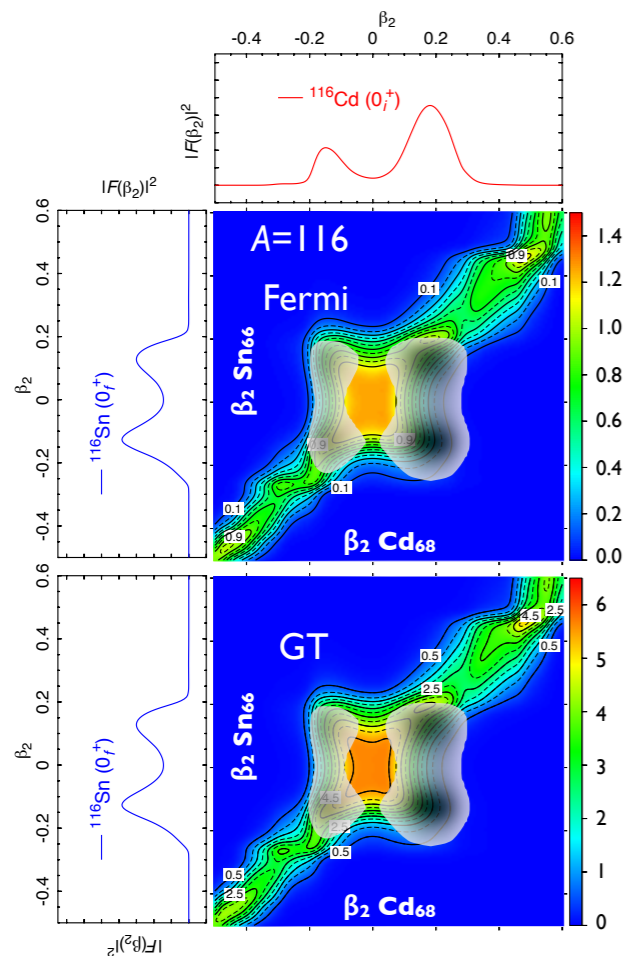
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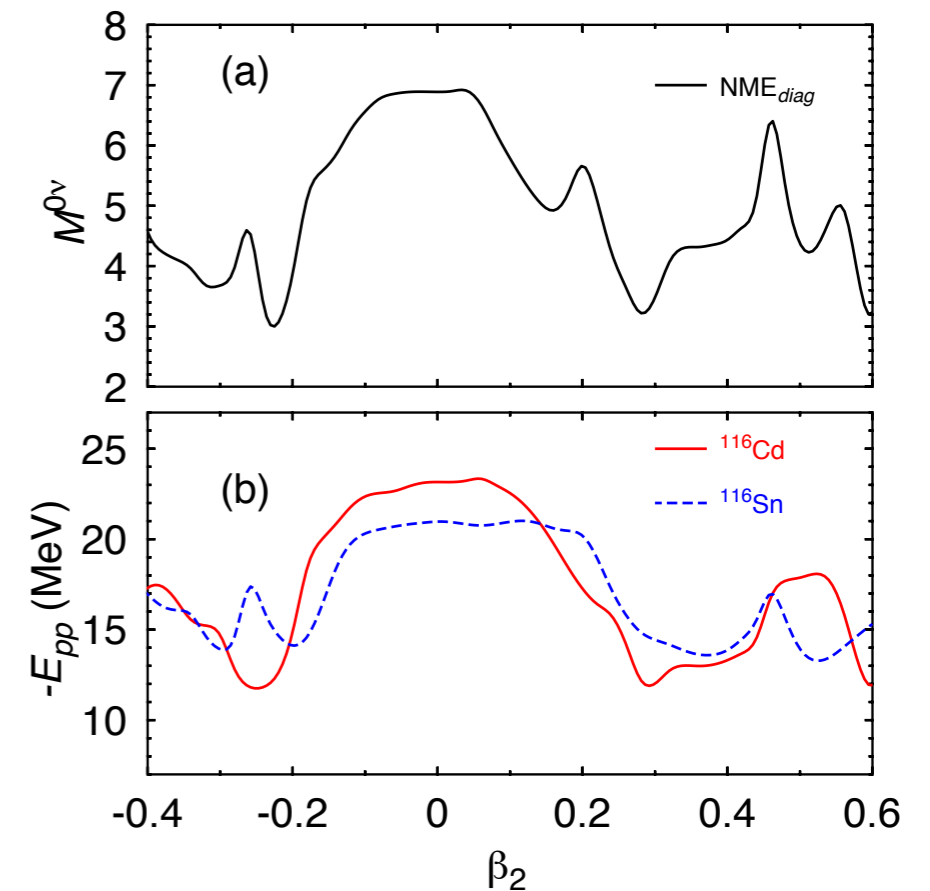
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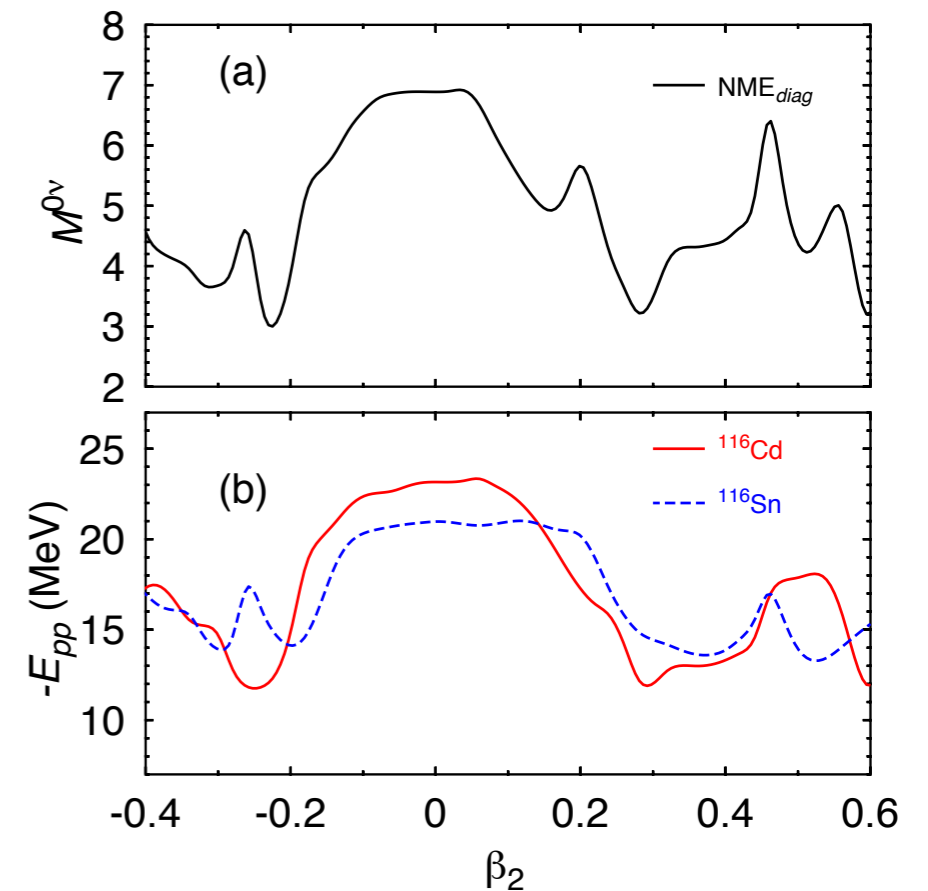
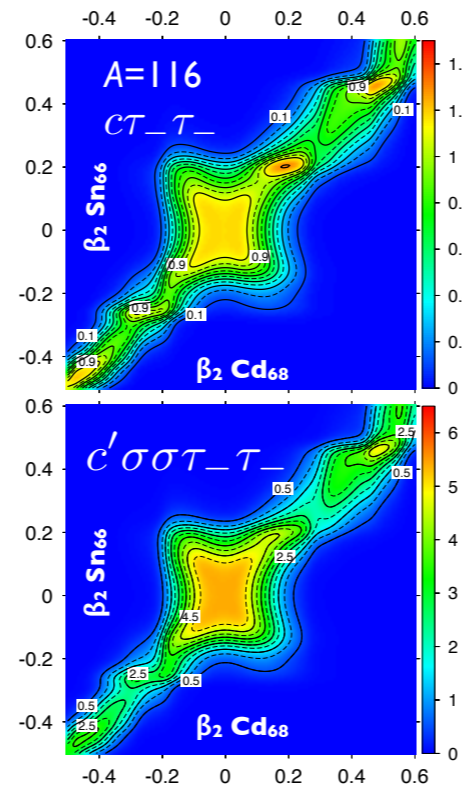
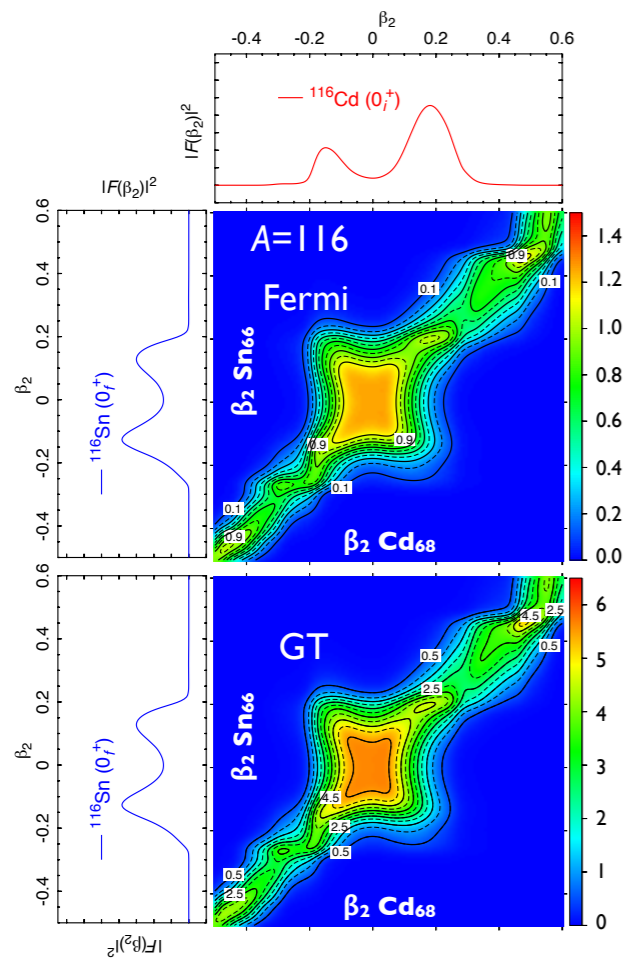
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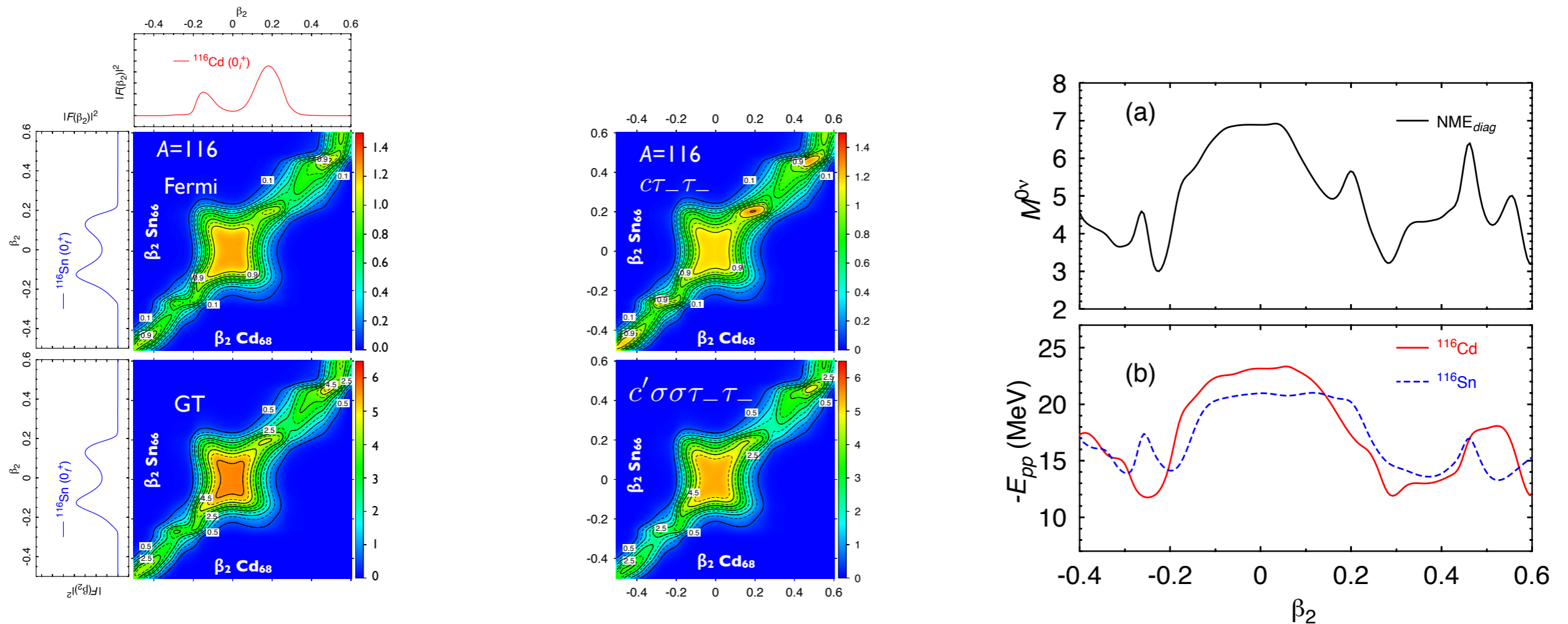
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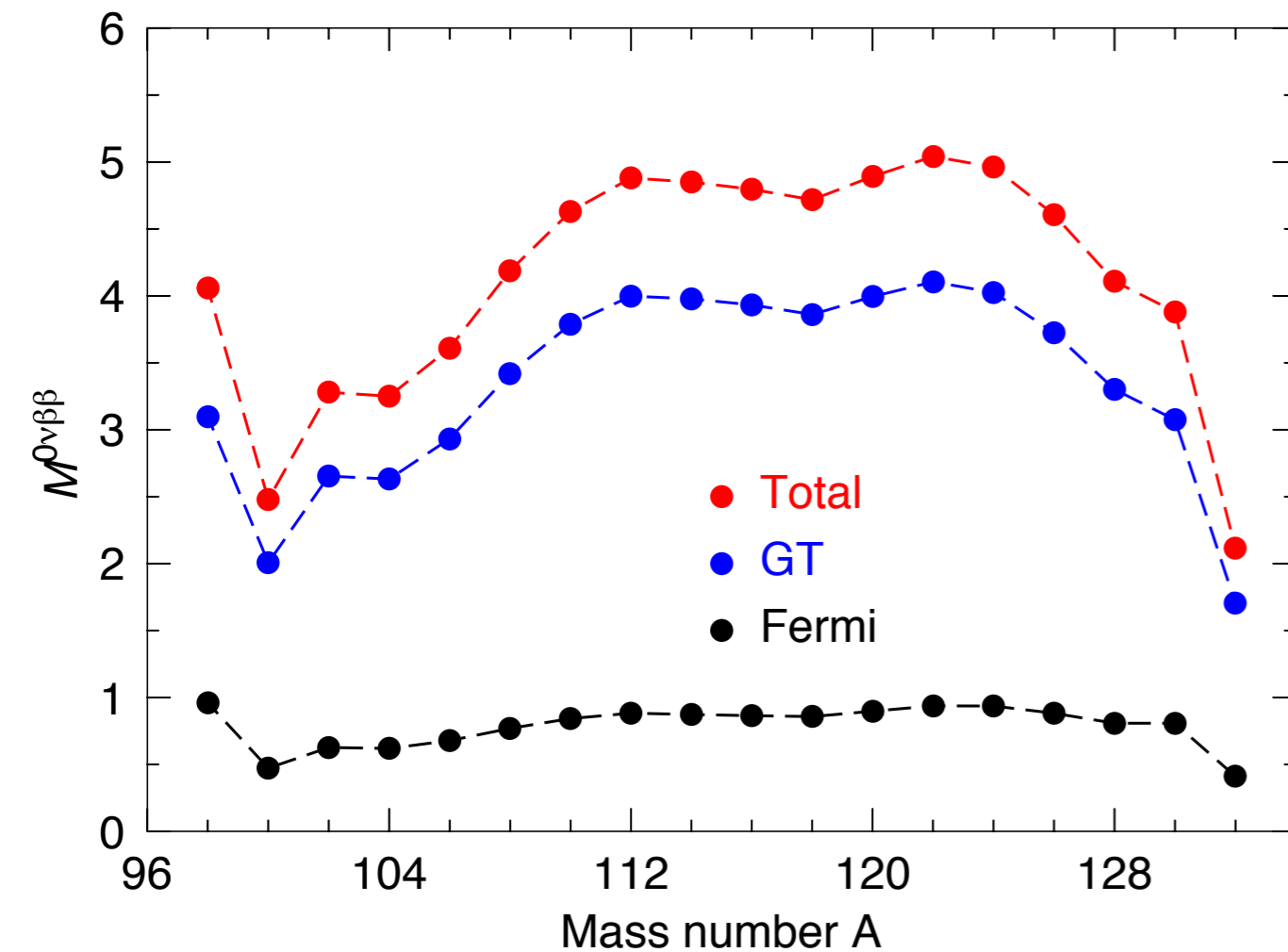
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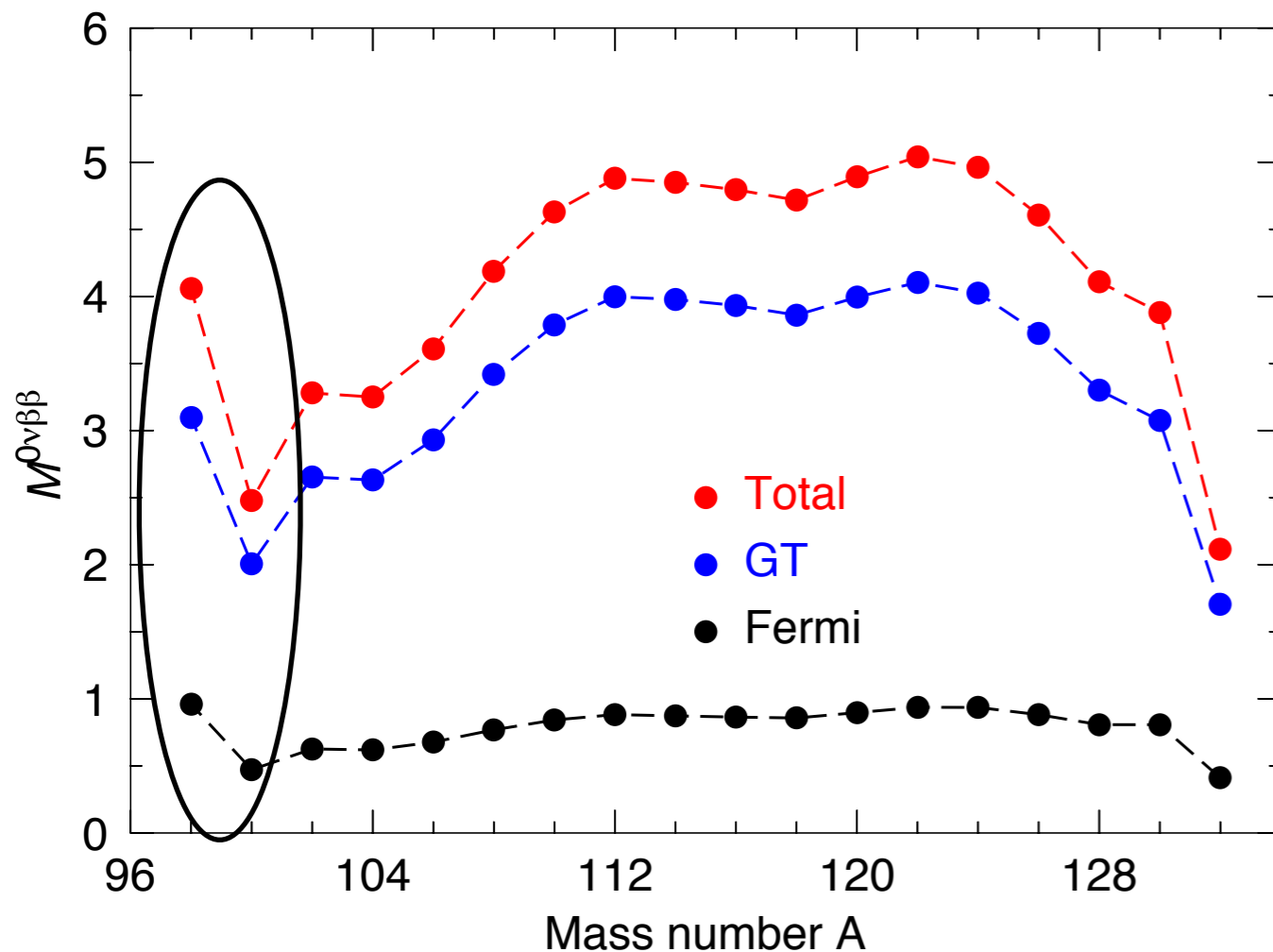
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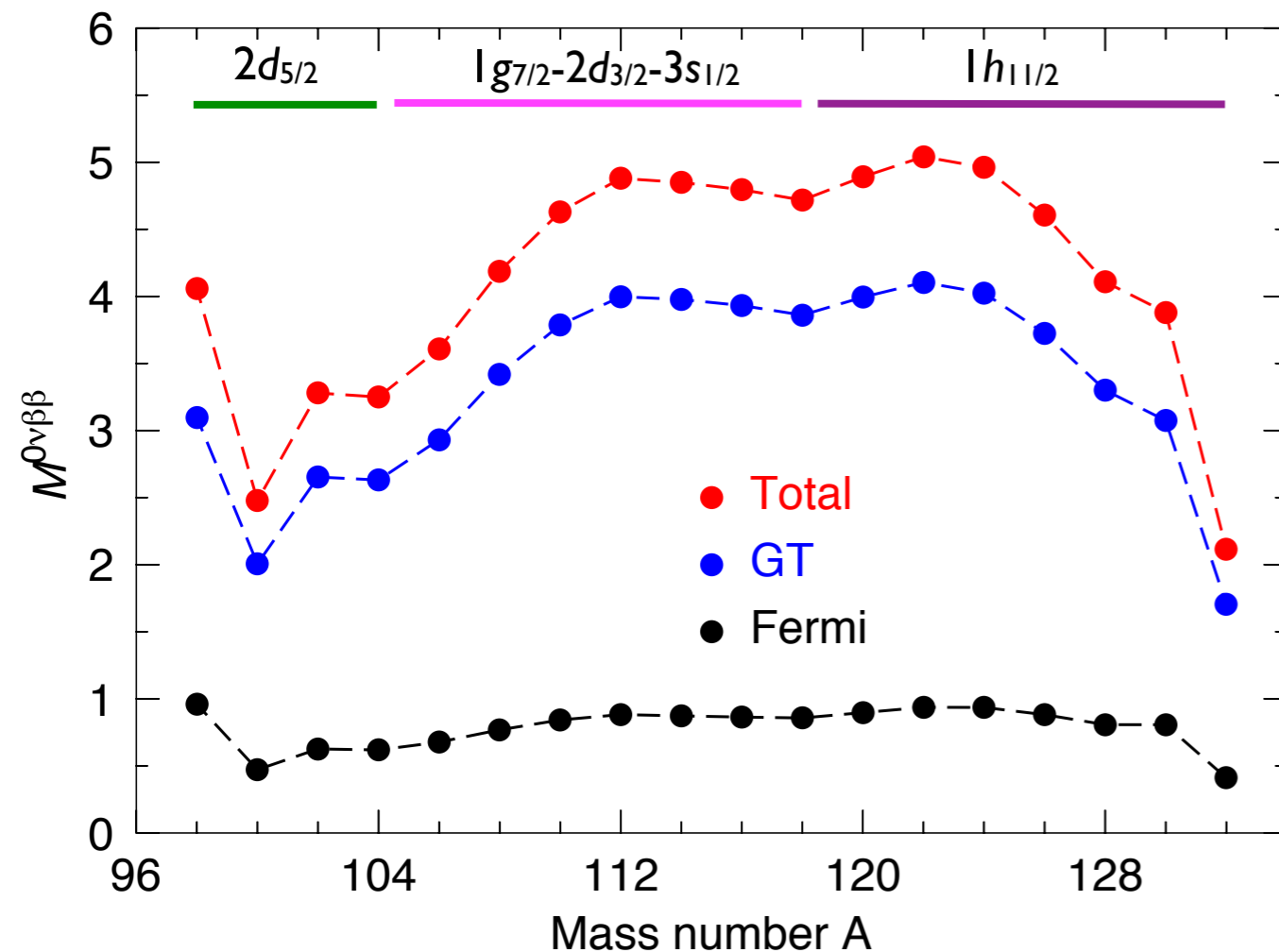
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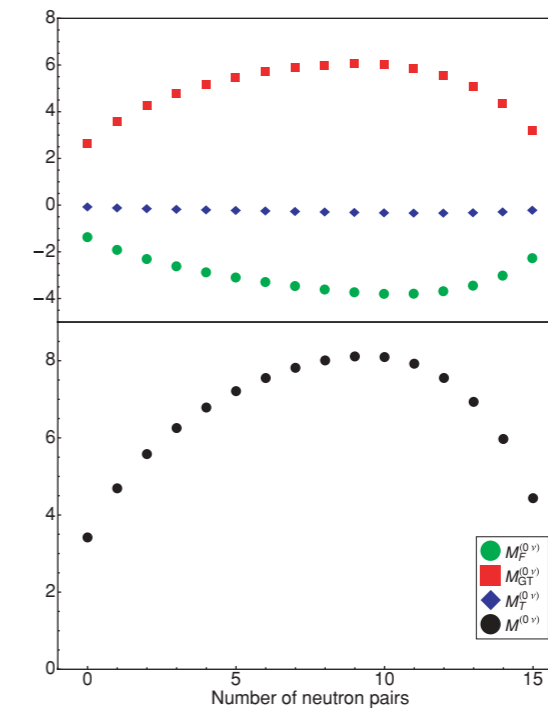
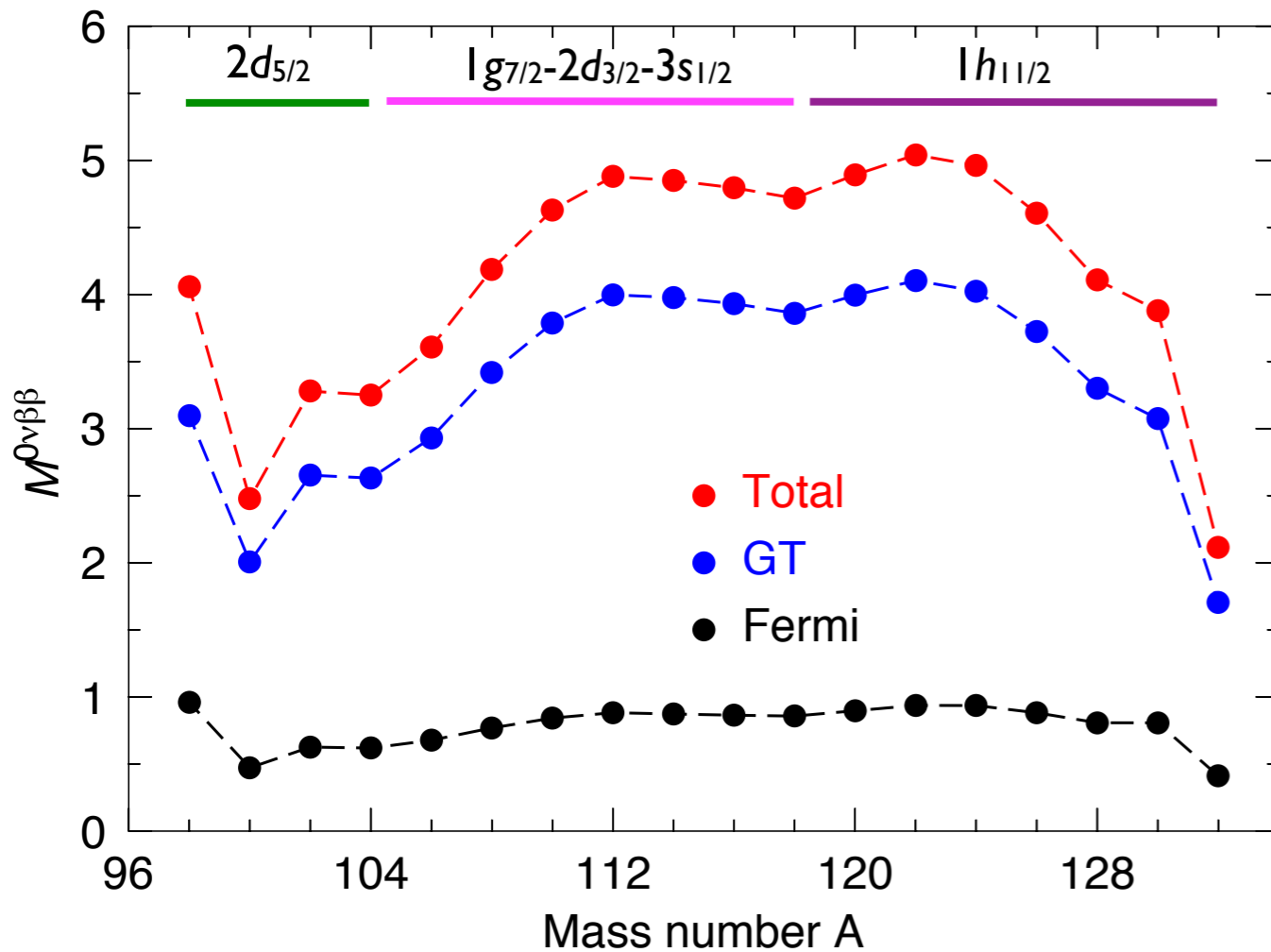
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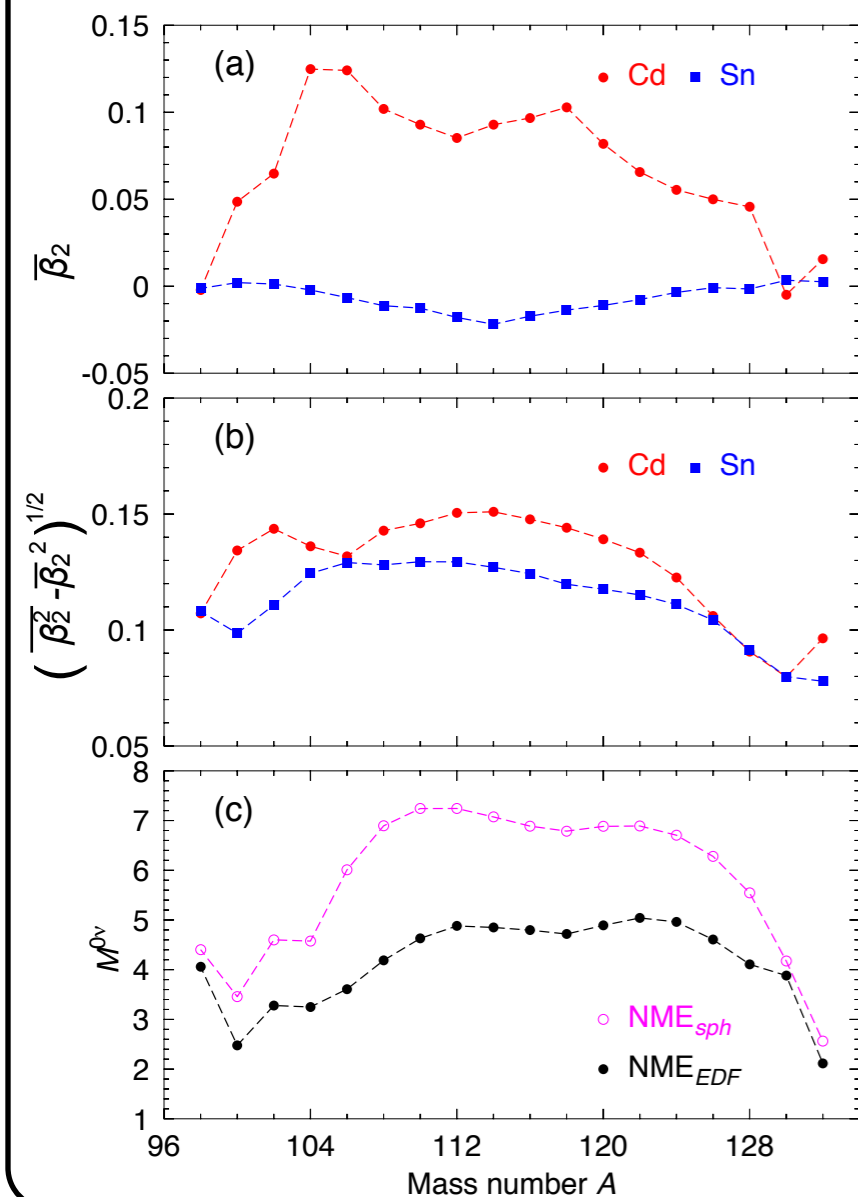


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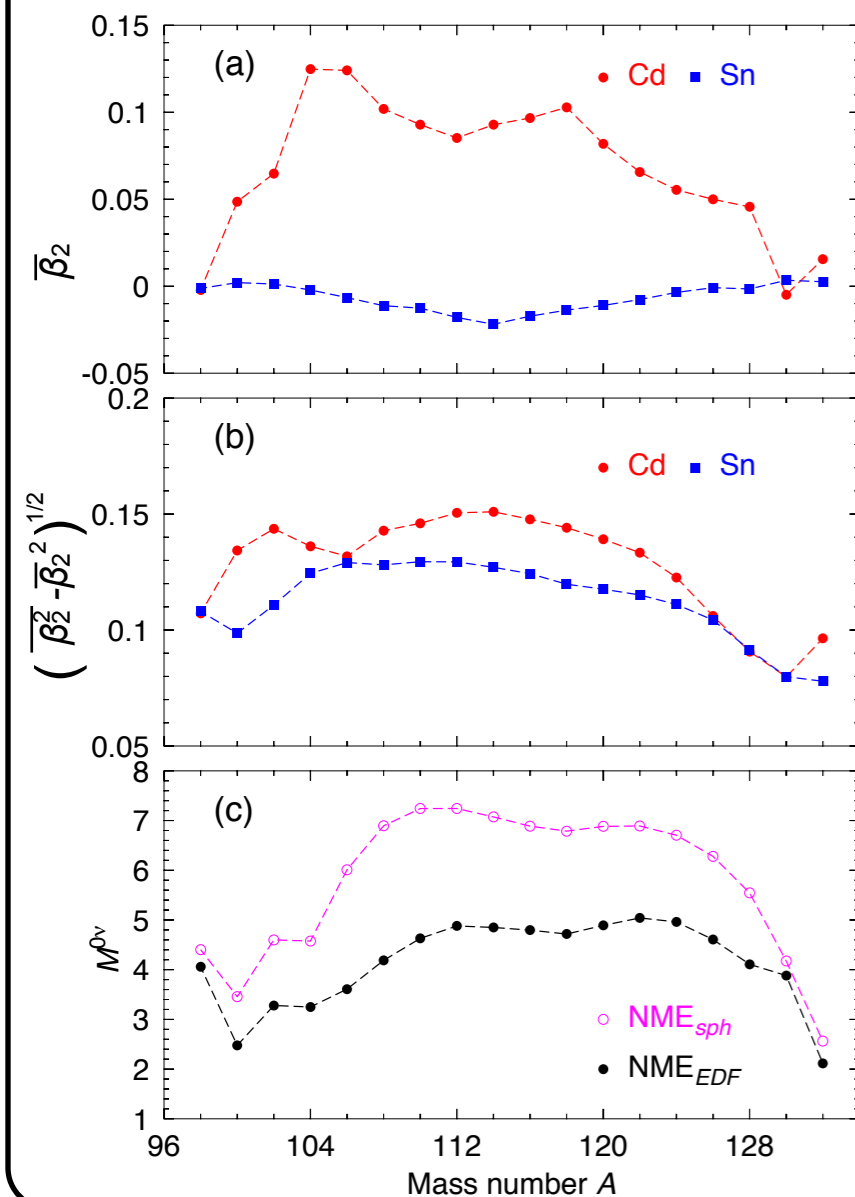
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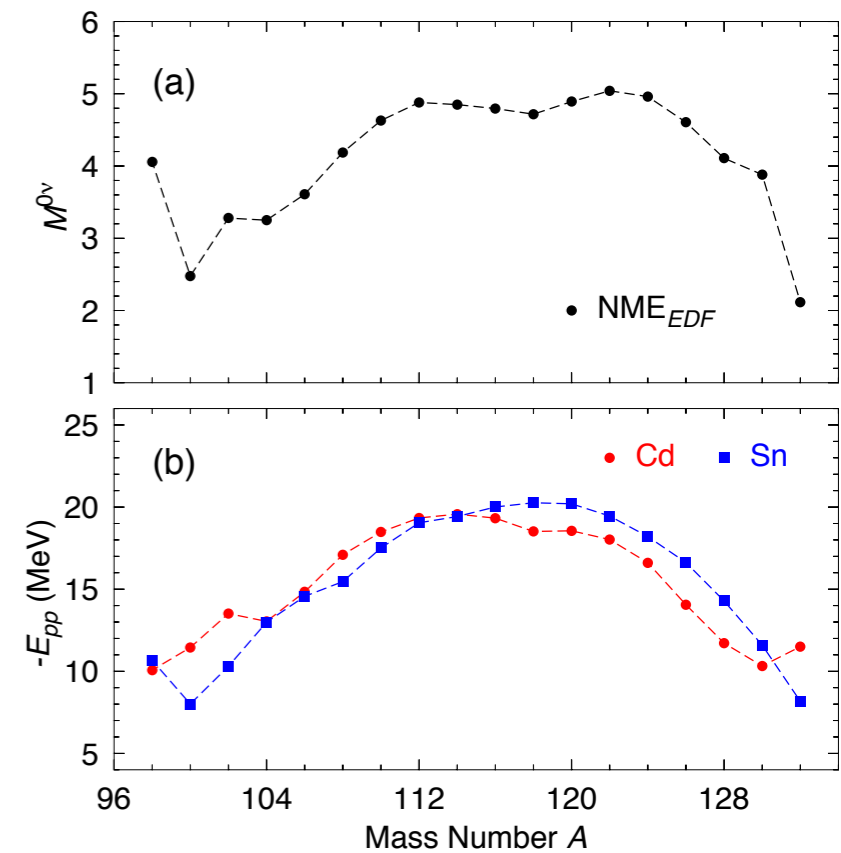


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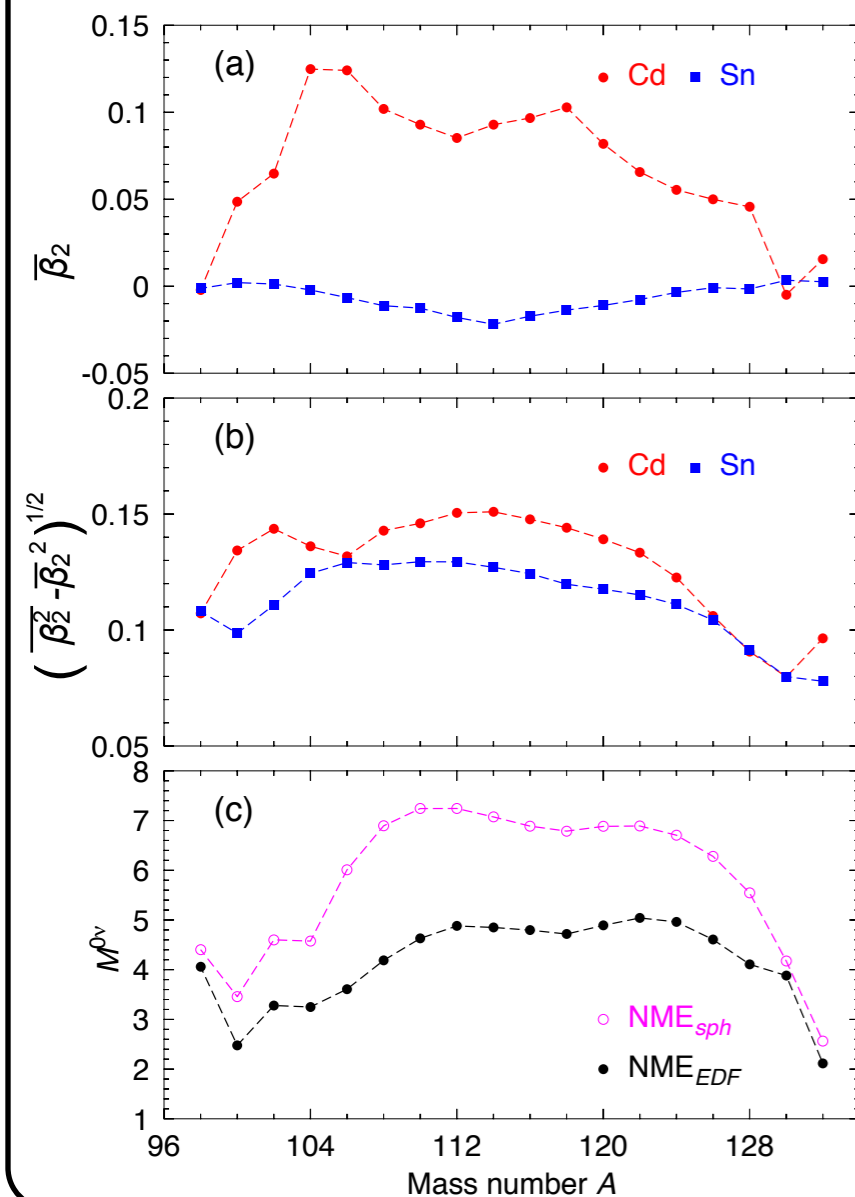
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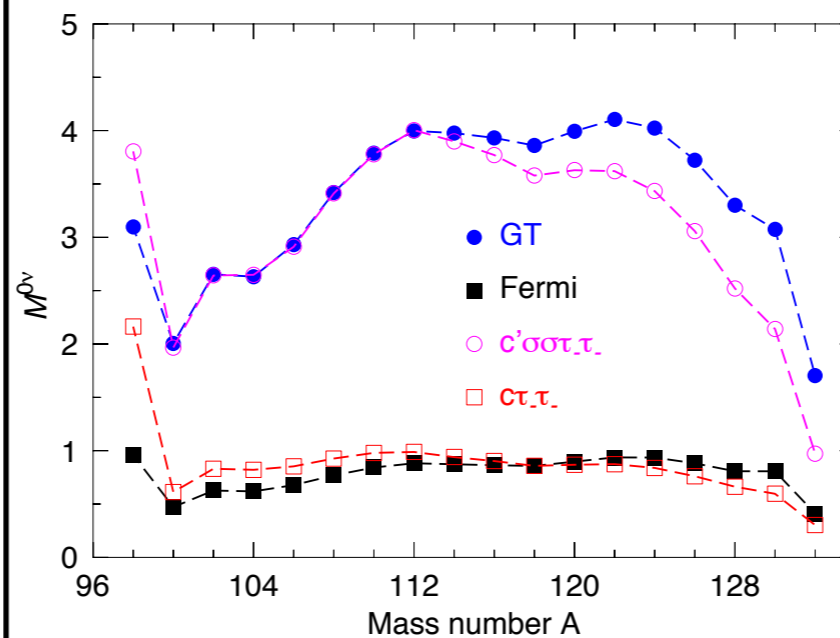
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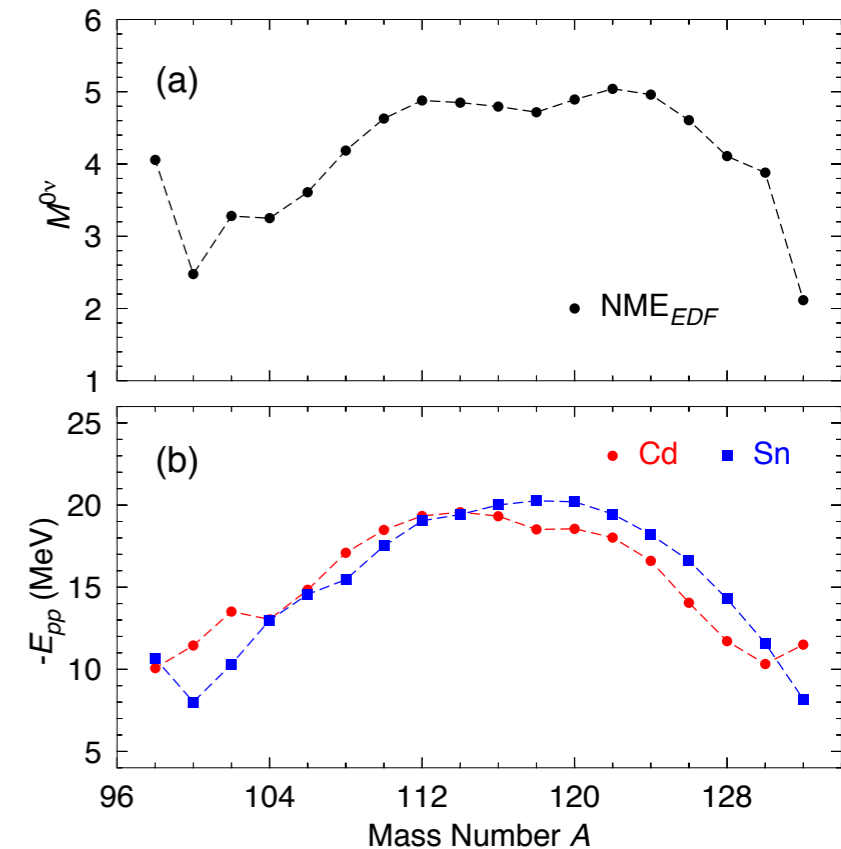
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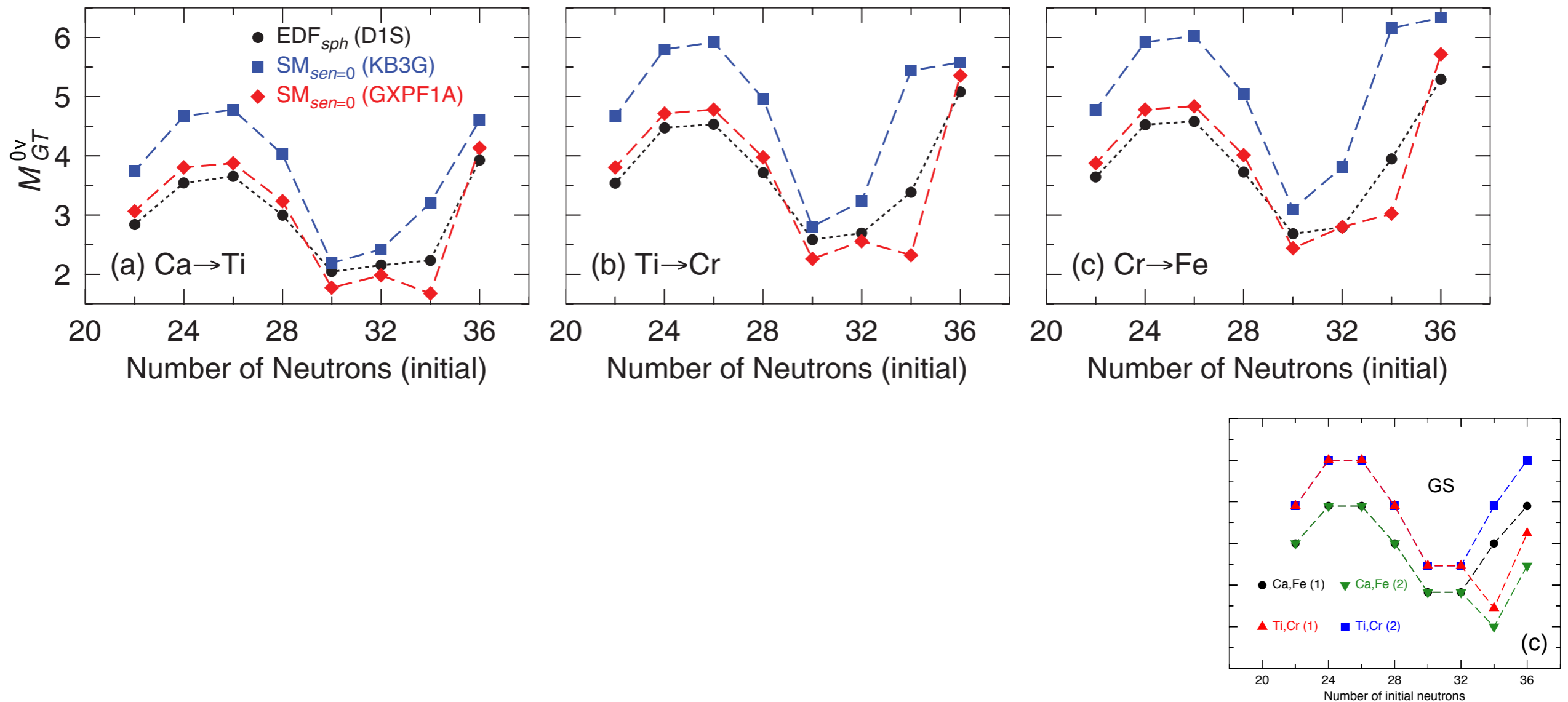
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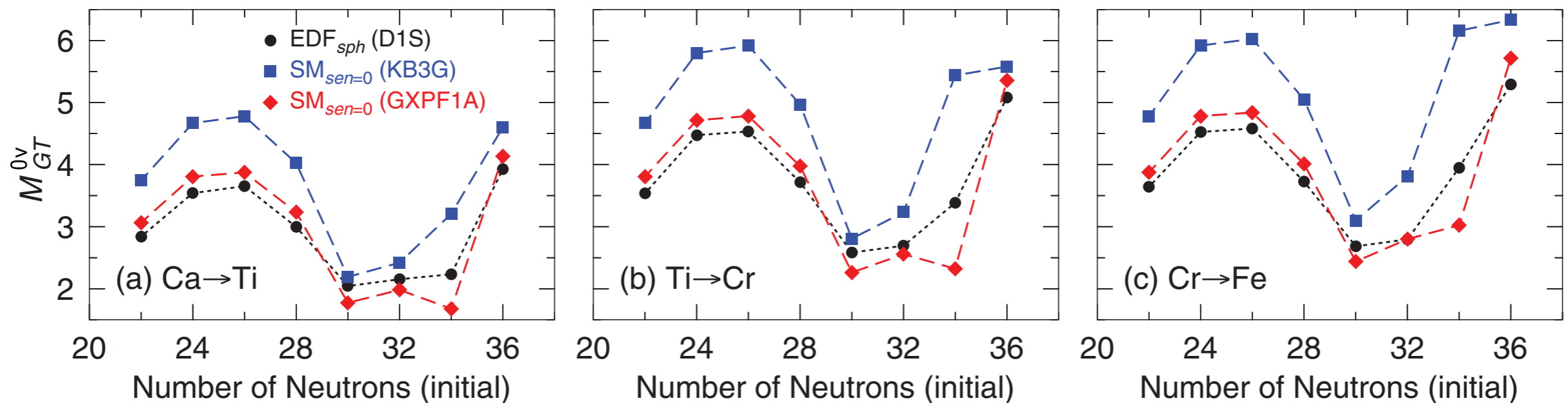
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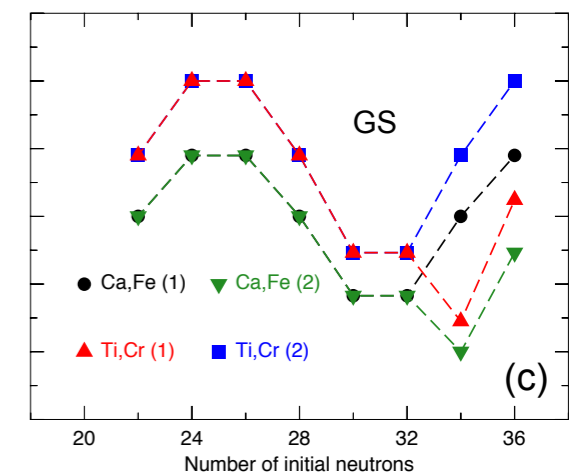


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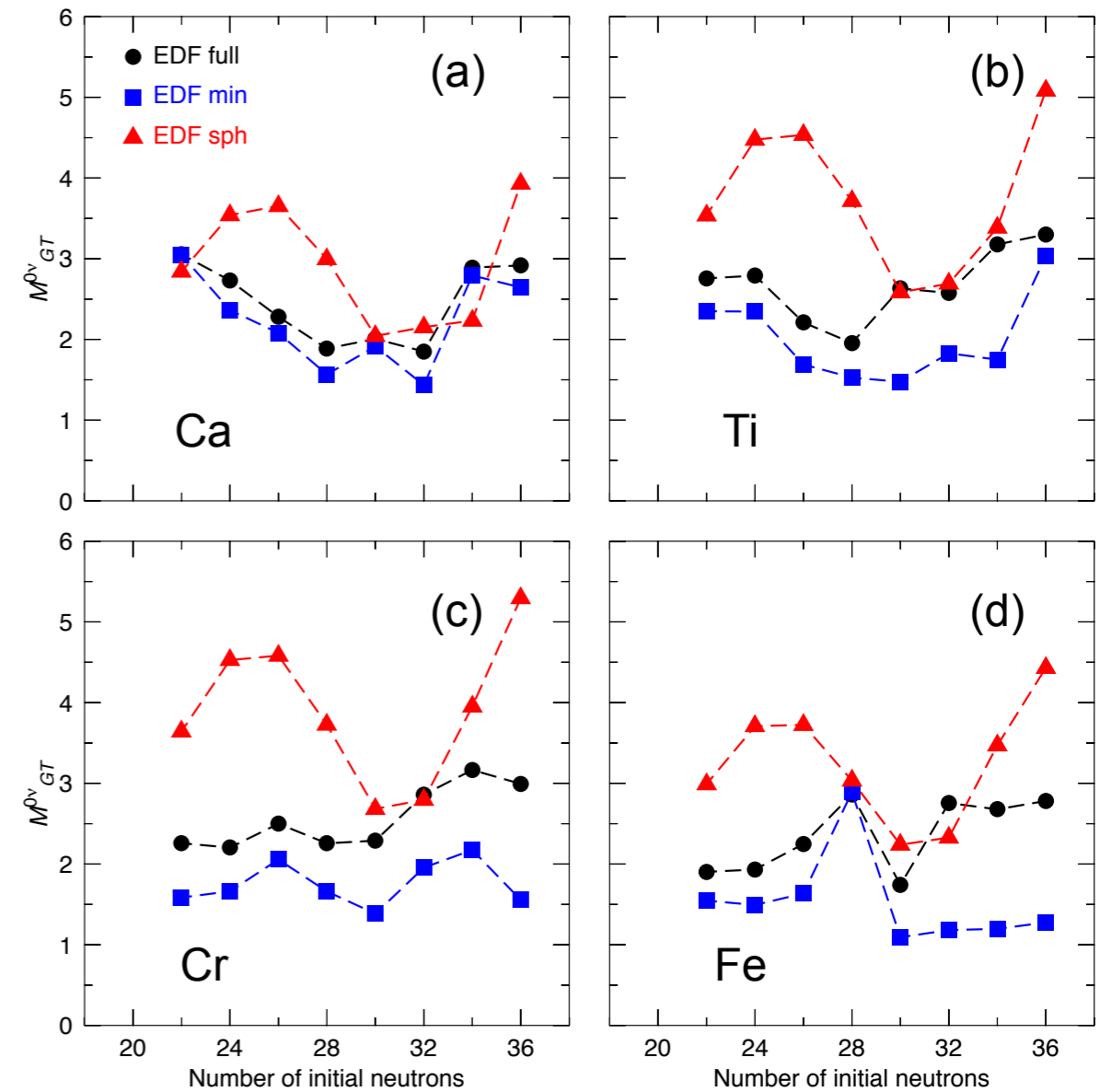
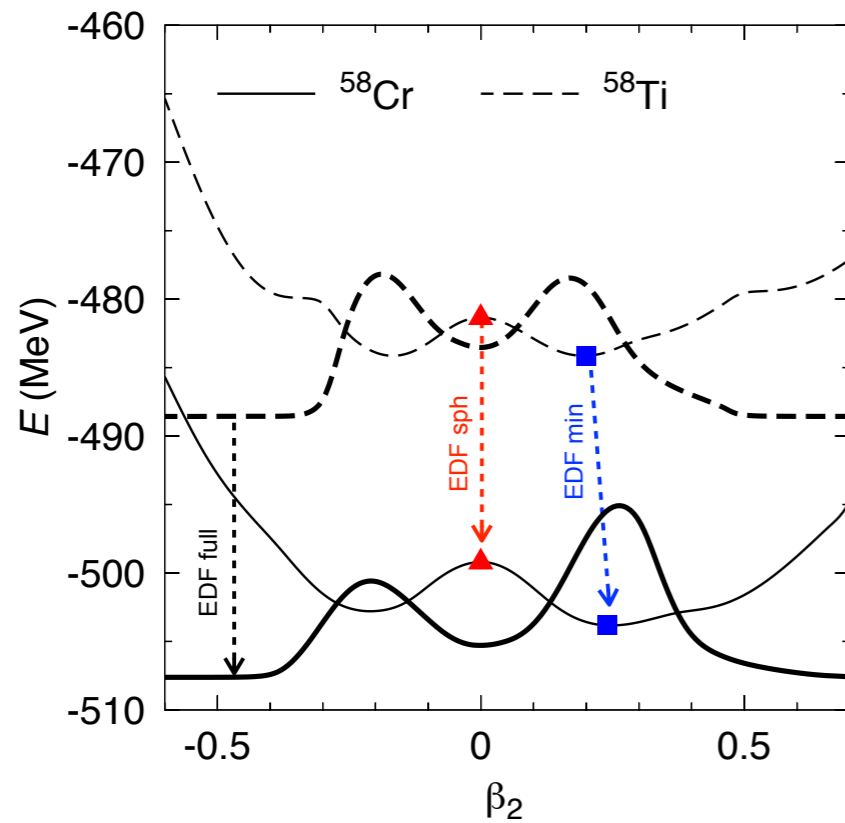
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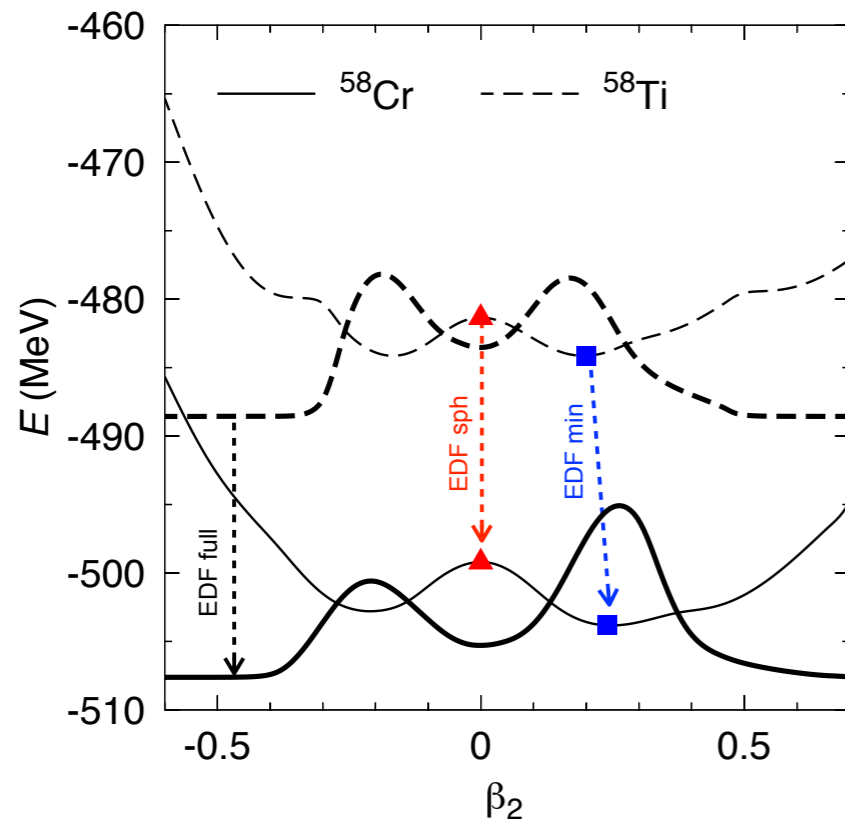
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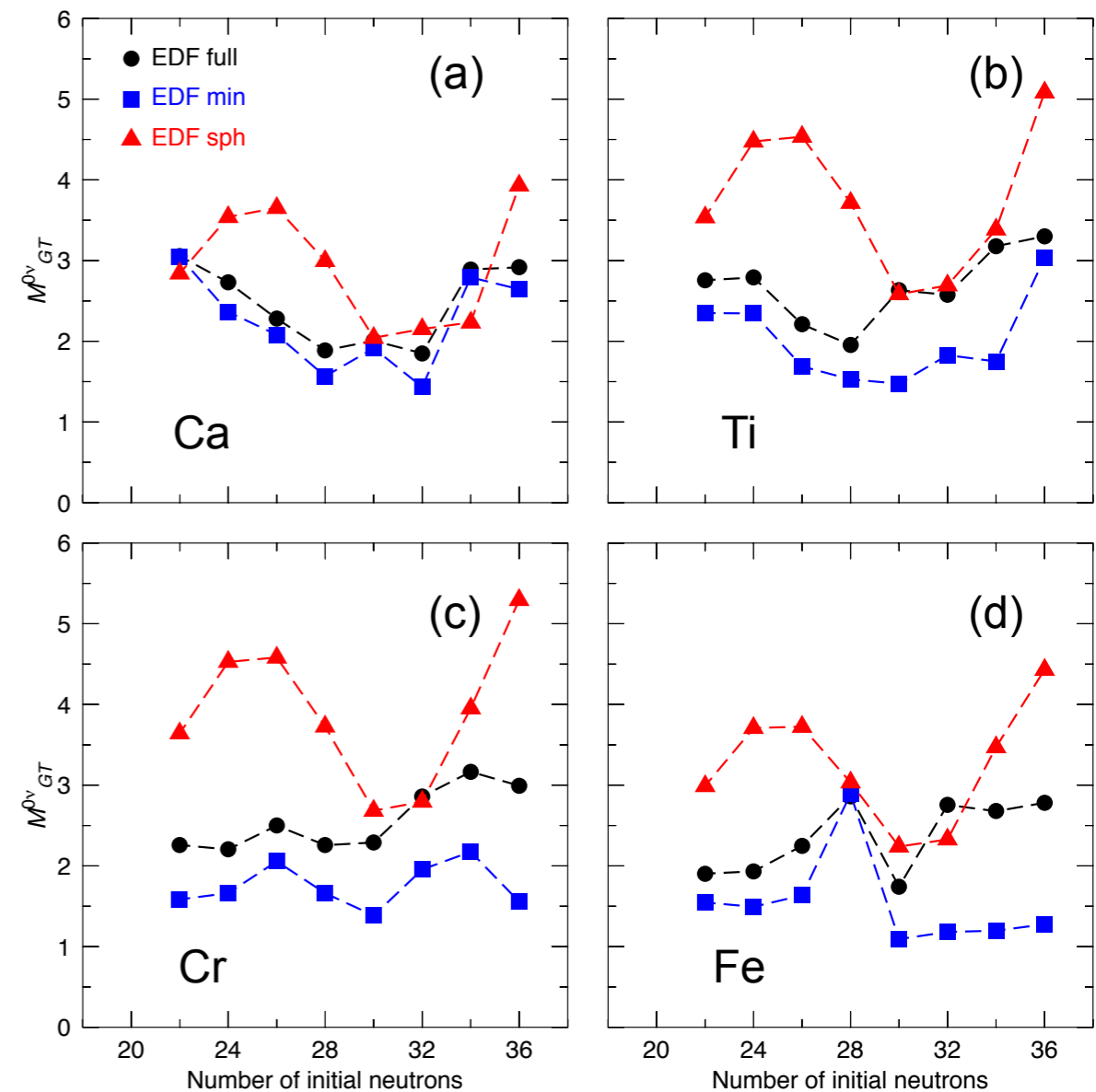
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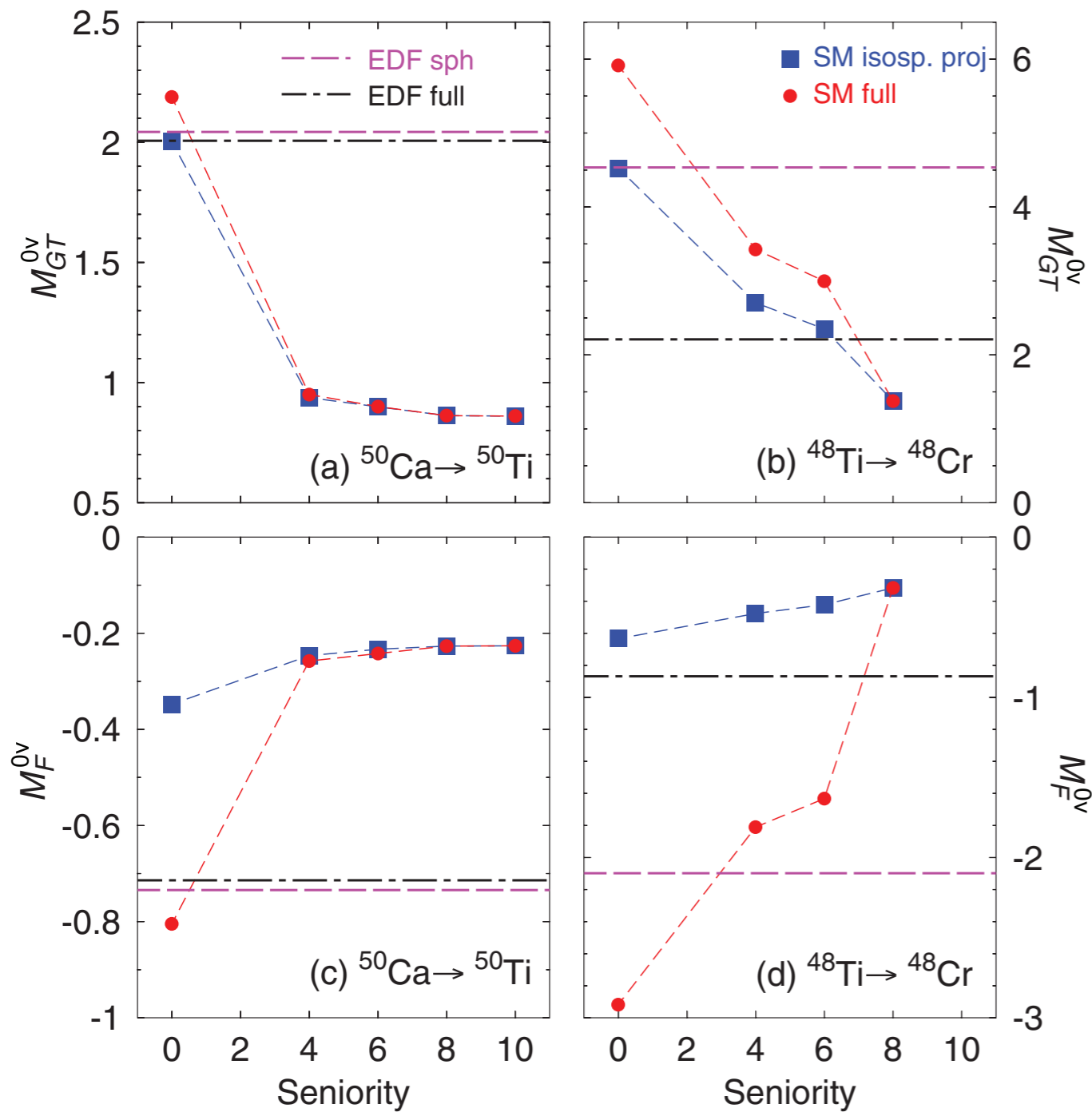
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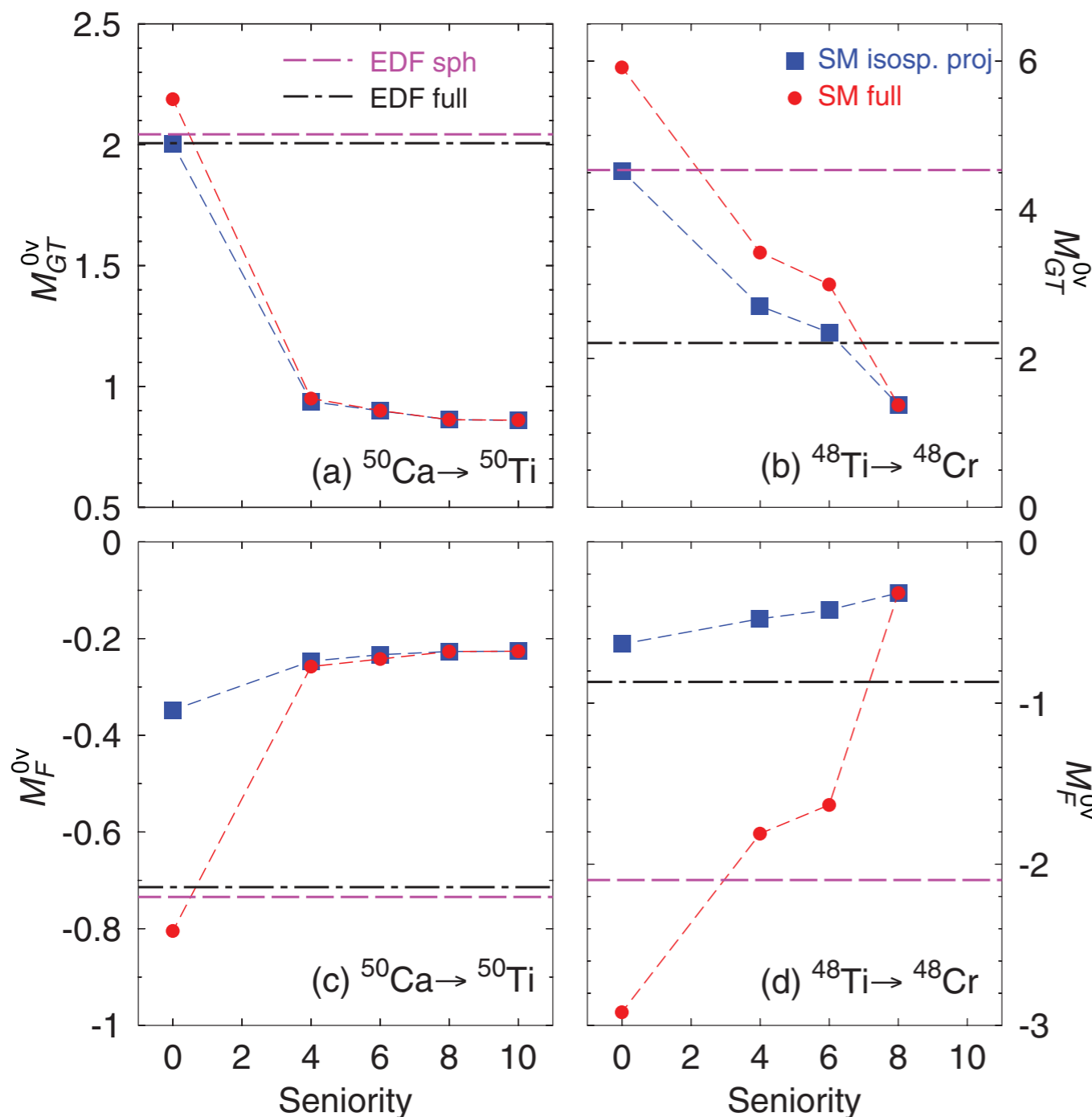
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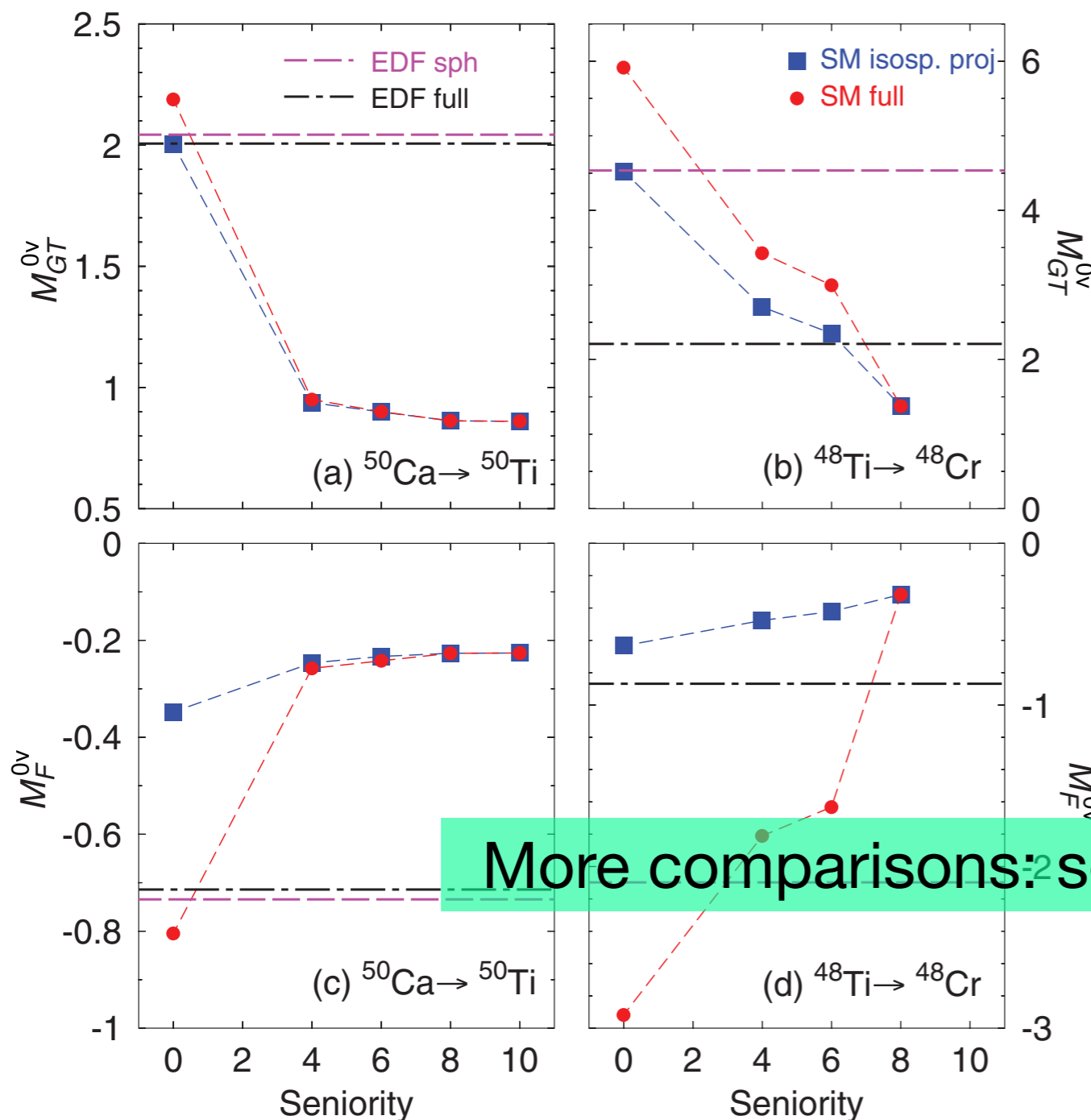
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