

## No Core CI Calculations for light nuclear systems

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Universal Nuclear Energy Density Functional

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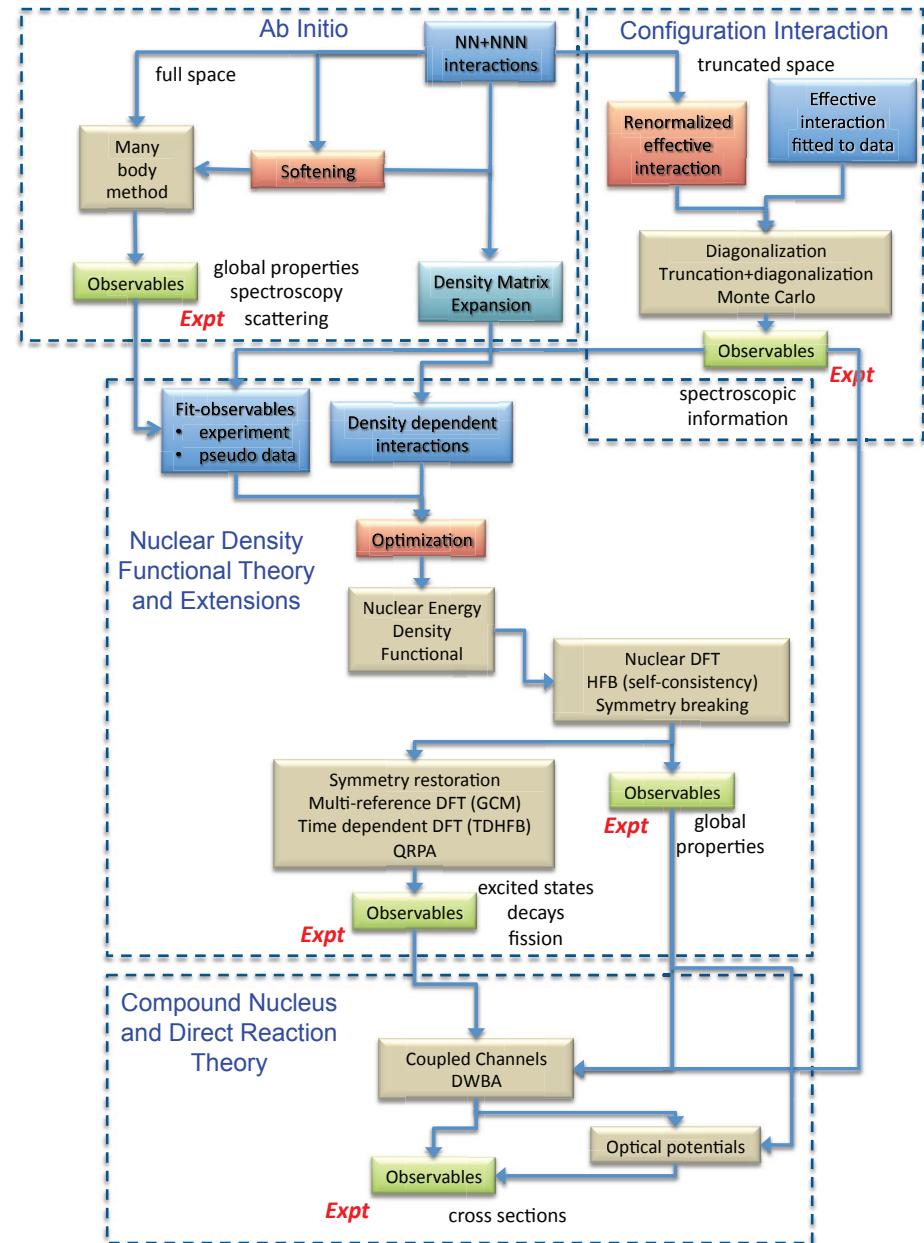
# SciDAC/UNEDF – Uniform description of nuclear structure

Universal Nuclear Energy Density Functional that spans the entire mass table based on **ab initio** calculations

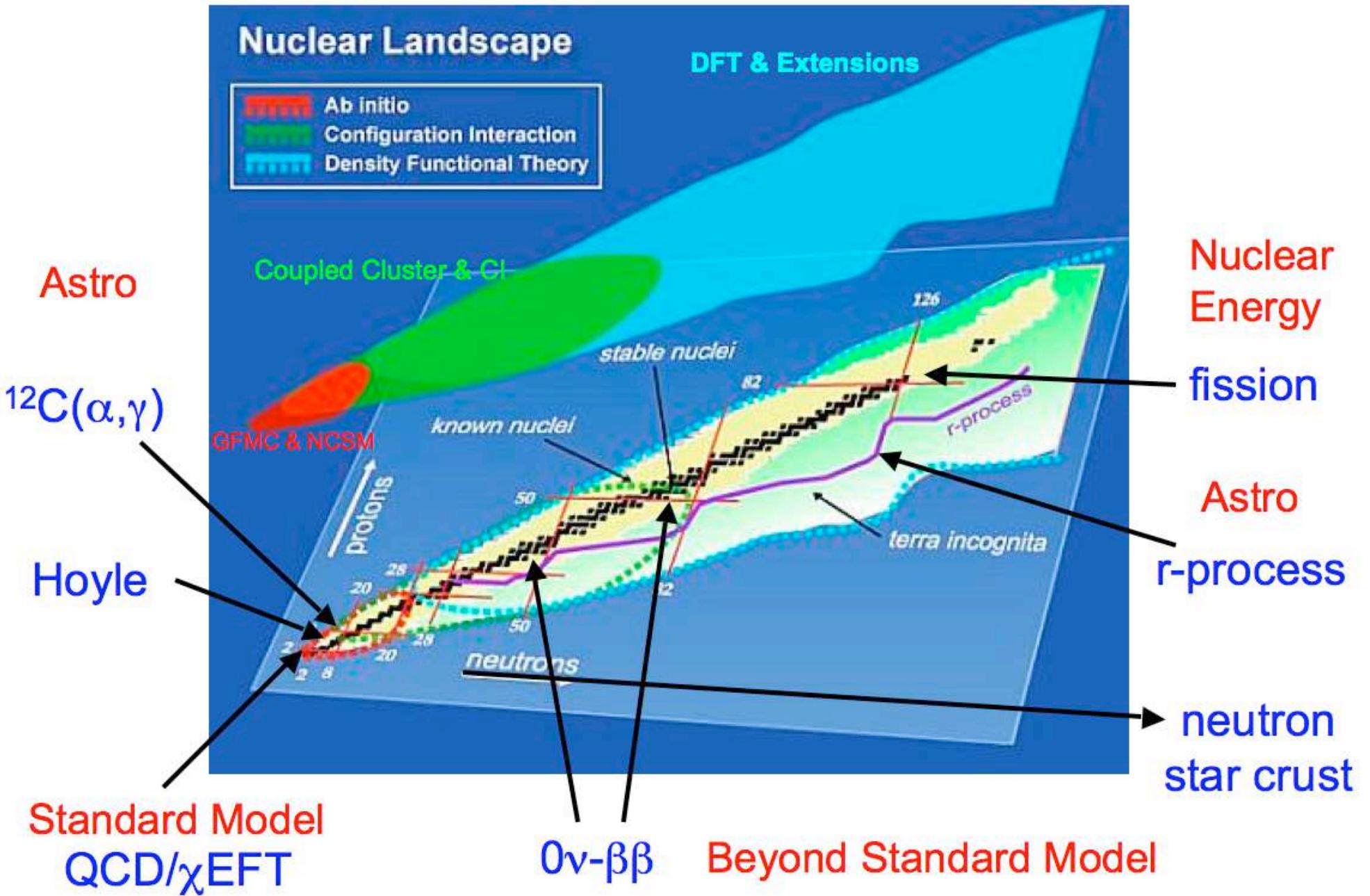
- Greens Function Monte Carlo (Pieper *et al*, ANL)
- No-Core Configuration Interaction calculations
- Coupled Cluster (Papenbrock *et al*, ORNL)

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# “Digital FRIB” and beyond



# Configuration Interaction Methods

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- Expand wave function in basis states  $|\Psi\rangle = \sum a_i |\psi_i\rangle$
- Express Hamiltonian in basis  $\langle \psi_j | \hat{\mathbf{H}} | \psi_i \rangle = H_{ij}$
- Diagonalize Hamiltonian matrix  $H_{ij}$
- Complete basis —> exact result
  - caveat: complete basis is infinite dimensional
- In practice
  - truncate basis
  - study behavior of observables as function of truncation
- Computational challenge
  - construct large ( $10^{10} \times 10^{10}$ ) sparse symmetric real matrix  $H_{ij}$
  - use Lanczos algorithm
    - to obtain lowest eigenvalues & eigenvectors

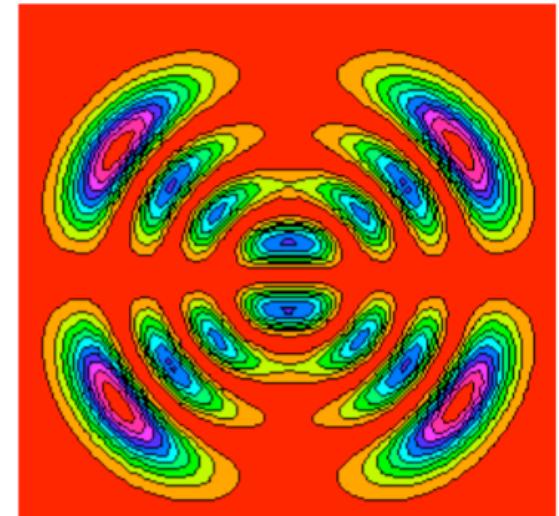
# Many-Body Basis Space

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- Many-Body basis states  $|\psi_i\rangle$ 
  - Slater Determinants of single-particle states  $|\phi\rangle$

$$|\psi\rangle = |\phi_1\rangle \otimes \dots \otimes |\phi_A\rangle$$

- single-particle basis states  
eigenstates of SU(2) operators  
 $\hat{L}^2, \hat{S}^2, \hat{J}^2 = (\hat{L} + \hat{S})^2$ , and  $\hat{J}_z$   
w. quantum numbers  $|\phi\rangle = |n, l, s, j, m\rangle$



sample harmonic oscillator basis function

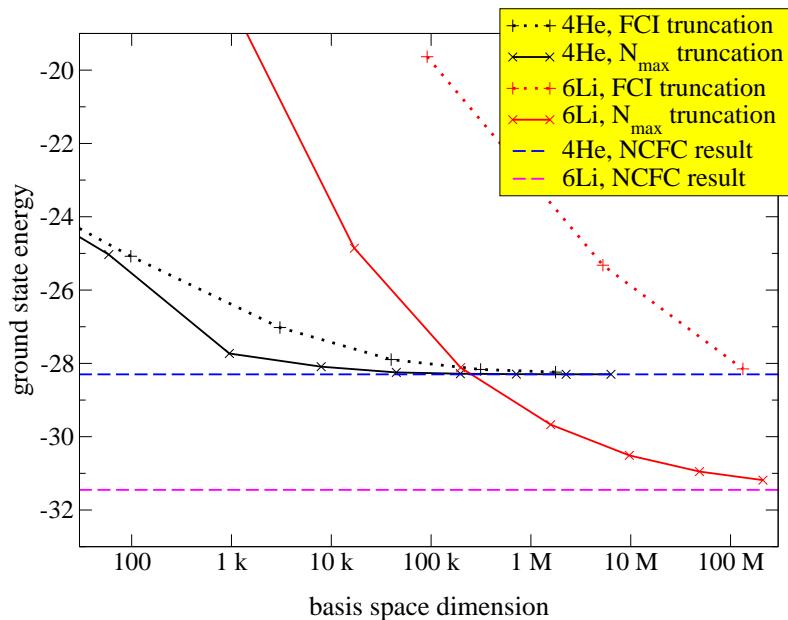
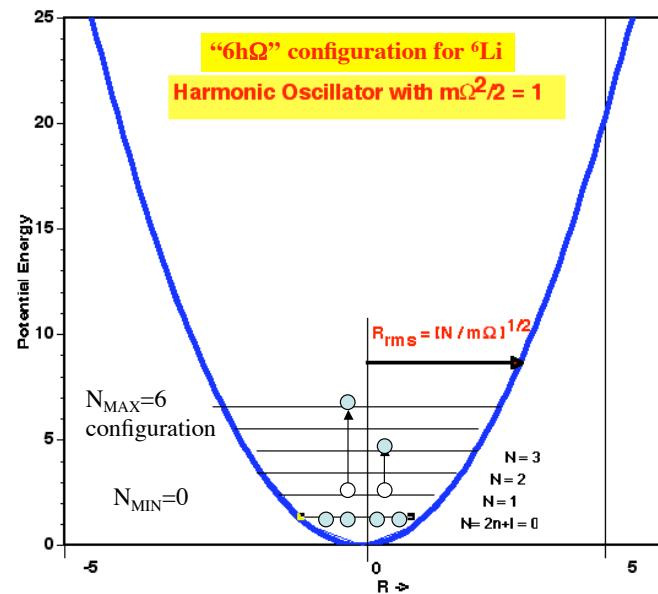
- $M$ -scheme: many-body basis states eigenstates of  $\hat{J}_z$

$$\hat{\mathbf{J}}_z |\psi\rangle = M |\psi\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^A m_i |\psi\rangle$$

- Alternatives: *LS*-scheme, **Total-*J*-scheme**, **Symplectic basis**, ...

# Truncation Schemes

- $N_{\max}$  truncation
  - truncation on the total number of H.O. oscillator quanta above minimal configuration for that nucleus
  - allows for exact separation of Center-of-Mass motion and intrinsic motion
- Alternative truncation schemes
  - FCI – Full Configuration Interaction – truncation on single-particle basis only
  - Importance Sampling, Monte Carlo Sampling, Symplectic, ...



## Intermezzo: Center-of-Mass excitations

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- Use single-particle coordinates, not relative (Jacobi) coordinates
  - straightforward to extend to many particles
  - have to separate Center-of-Mass motion from intrinsic motion
- Add Lagrange multiplier to Hamiltonian

$$\hat{\mathbf{H}}_{\text{rel}} \longrightarrow \hat{\mathbf{H}}_{\text{rel}} + \Lambda_{CM} \left( \hat{\mathbf{H}}_{CM}^{H.O.} - \frac{3}{2} \hbar \omega \right)$$

with  $\hat{\mathbf{H}}_{\text{rel}} = T_{\text{rel}} + V_{\text{rel}}$  the relative Hamiltonian

- separates CM excitations from CM ground state  $|\Phi_{CM}\rangle$
- Center-of-Mass wave function **factorizes** for  
**H.O. basis functions** in combination with  $N_{\text{max}}$  truncation

$$\begin{aligned} |\Psi_{\text{total}}\rangle &= |\phi_1\rangle \otimes \dots \otimes |\phi_A\rangle \\ &= |\Phi_{\text{Center-of-Mass}}\rangle \otimes |\Psi_{\text{intrinsic}}\rangle \end{aligned}$$

where

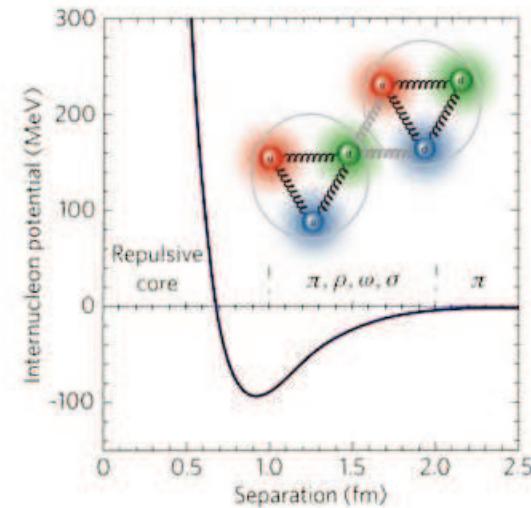
$$\hat{\mathbf{H}}_{\text{rel}} |\Psi_{j, \text{intrinsic}}\rangle = E_j |\Psi_{j, \text{intrinsic}}\rangle$$

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- Pick your favorite potential
  - Argonne potentials: AV8, AV18 (plus Illinois NNN interactions)
  - Bonn potentials
  - Chiral NN interactions (plus chiral NNN interactions)
  - ...
  - JISP16 (phenomenological NN potential)
  - ...

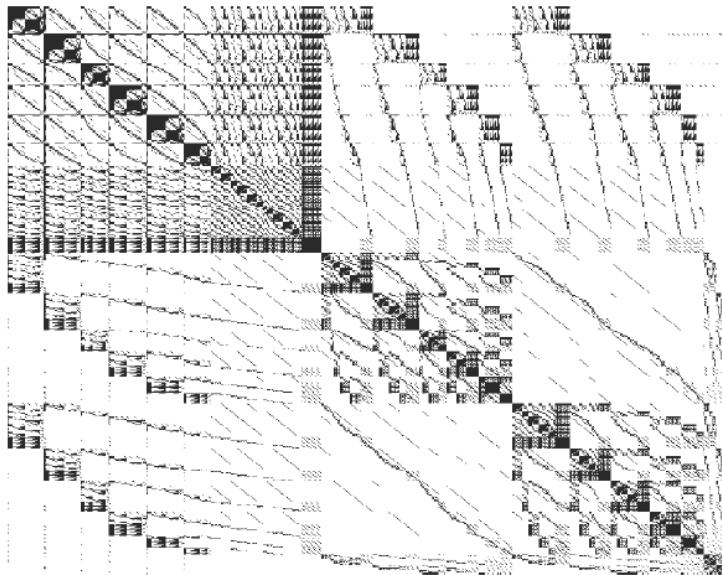


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  - large sparse symmetric matrix

Sparsity Structure for  ${}^6\text{Li}$

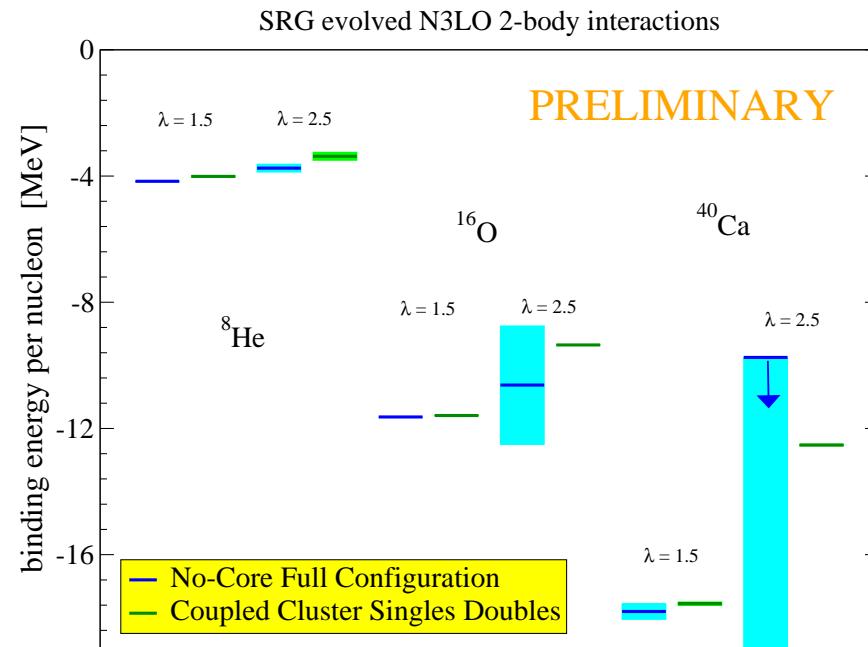


- Obtain lowest eigenvalues using Lanczos algorithm
  - Eigenvalues: bound state spectrum
  - Eigenvectors: nuclear wavefunctions

- Use wavefunctions to calculate observables
- Challenge: eliminate dependence on basis space truncation

# CI calculation – convergence

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- Diagonalize sparse real symmetric matrix  $H_{ij}$
- **Variational**: for any finite truncation of the basis space, eigenvalue is an upper bound for the ground state energy
- Smooth approach to asymptotic value with increasing basis space  
⇒ extrapolation to infinite basis
- **Convergence: independence** of basis space parameters
  - different methods (NCFC, CC, GFMC, DME, ...) using the same interaction should give same results within numerical errors



## Intermezzo: *Extrapolation Techniques*

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Challenge: achieve numerical convergence for no-core Full Configuration calculations using finite model space calculations

- Perform a series of calculations with increasing  $N_{\max}$  truncation (while keeping everything else fixed)
- Extrapolate to infinite model space → exact results
  - binding energy: exponential in  $N_{\max}$

$$E_{\text{binding}}^N = E_{\text{binding}}^\infty + a_1 \exp(-a_2 N_{\max})$$

- use 3 or 4 consecutive  $N_{\max}$  values to determine  $E_{\text{binding}}^\infty$
- use  $\hbar\omega$  and  $N_{\max}$  dependence to estimate numerical error bars

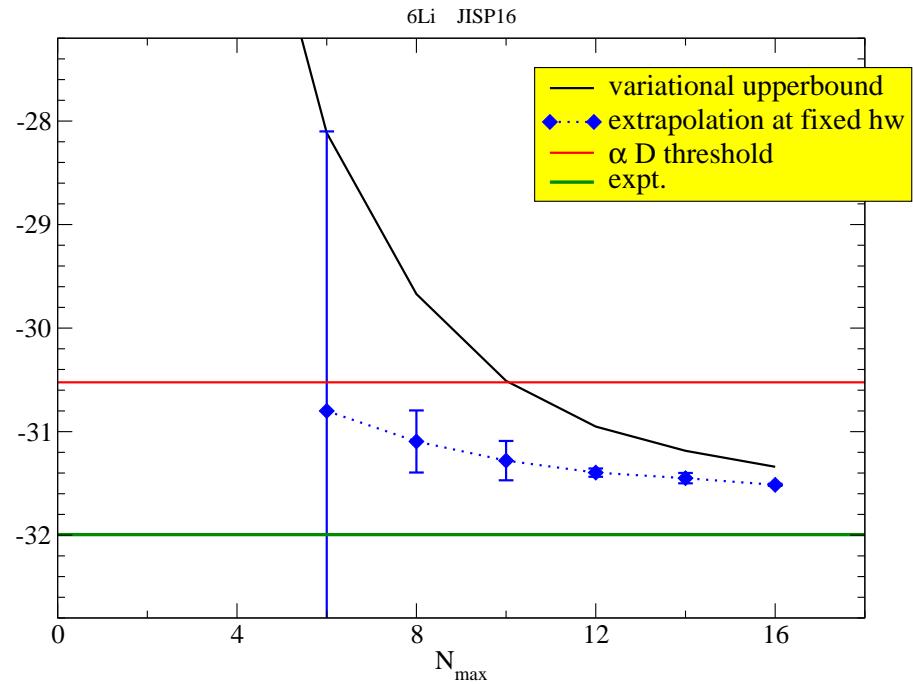
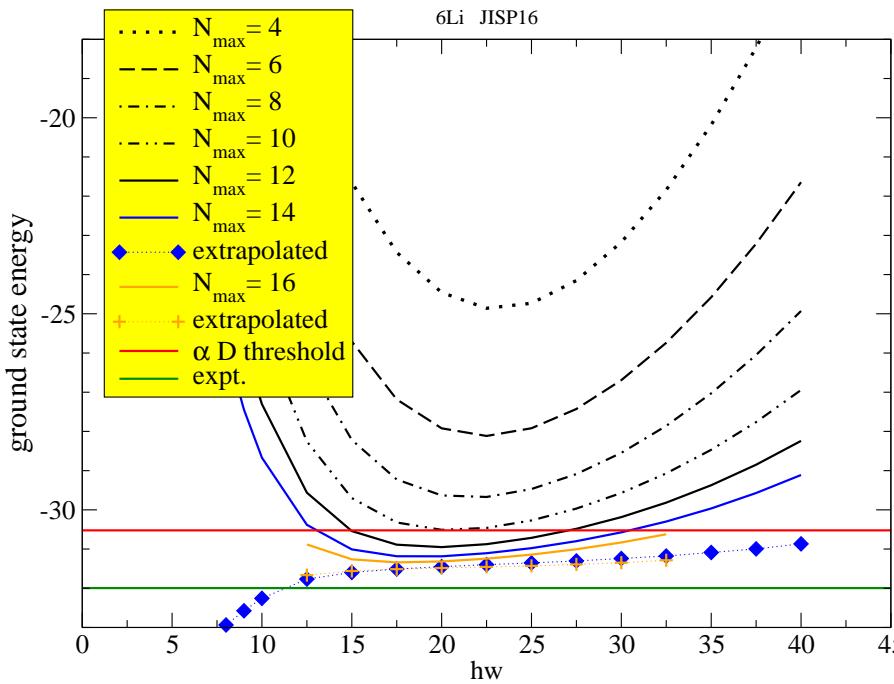
Maris, Shirokov, Vary, Phys. Rev. C79, 014308 (2009)

- need at least  $N_{\max} = 8$  for meaningful extrapolations

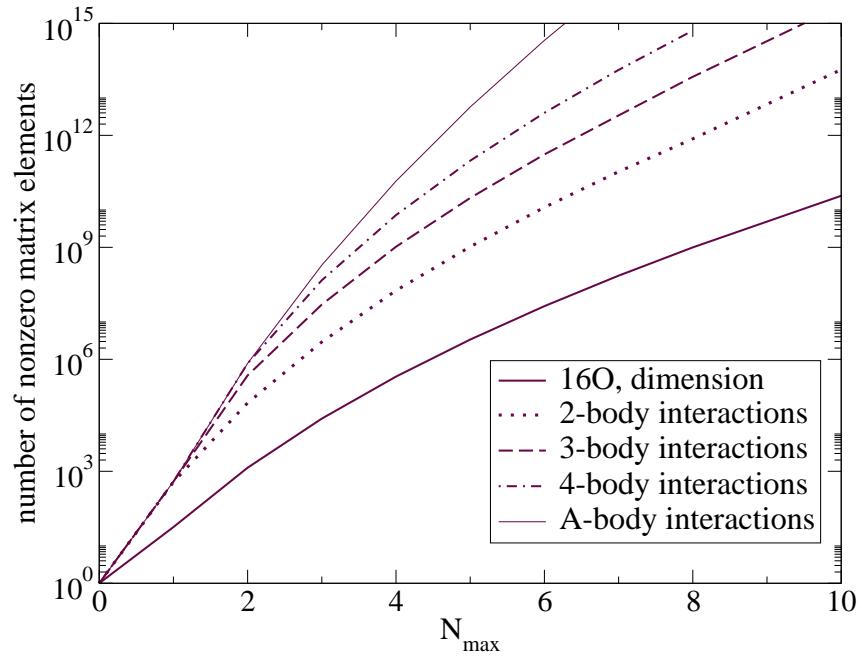
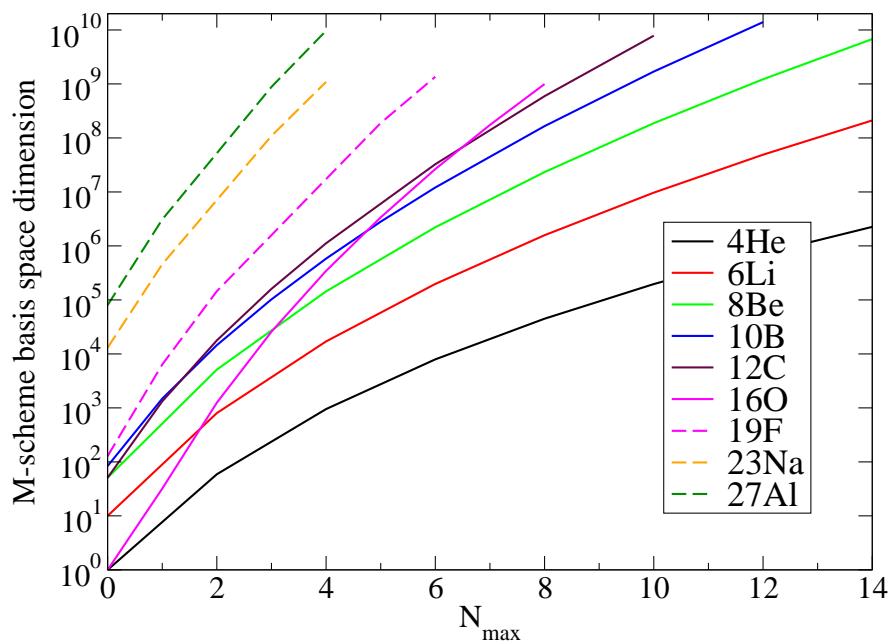
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# CI calculations – main challenges



- Single most important computational issue:  
exponential increase of dimensionality with increasing H.O. levels
- Additional computational issue:  
sparseness of matrix / number of nonzero matrix elements

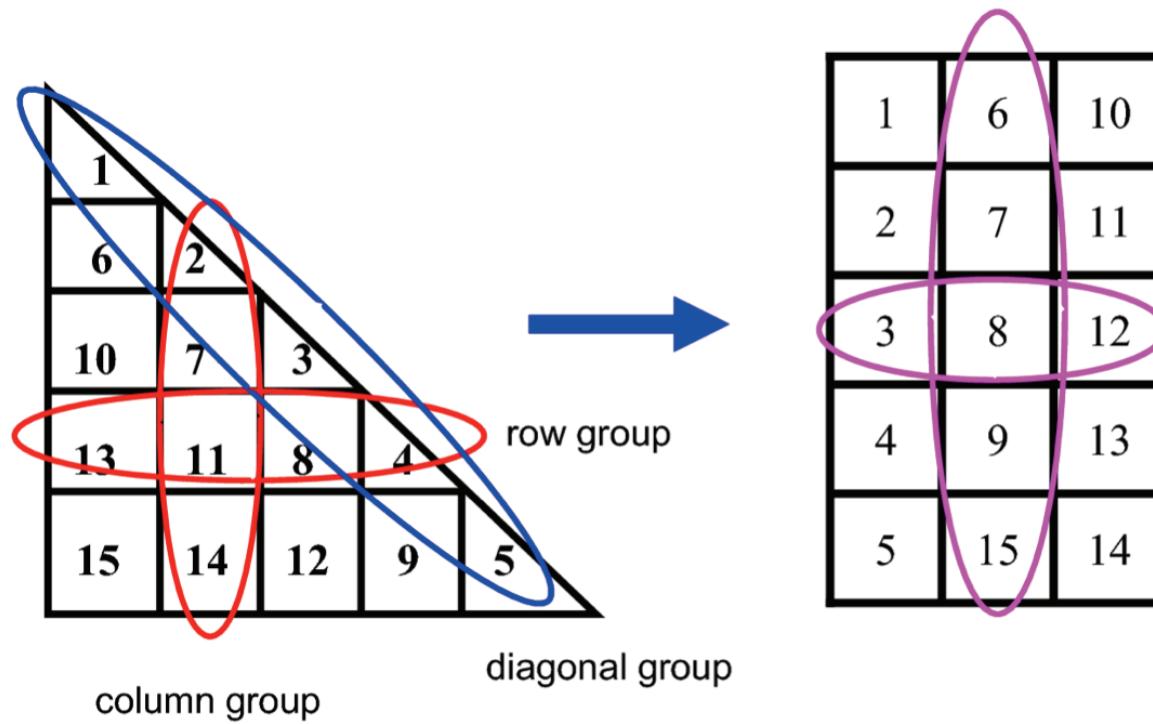
# *High-performance computing*

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- Hardware
  - individual desk- and lap-tops
  - local linux clusters
  - NERSC (DOE)
    - 10,000,000 CPU hours for ISU collaboration
  - Leadership Computing Facilities (DOE)  
**INCITE award – Computational Nuclear Structure** (PI: J. Vary, ISU)
    - 28,000,000 CPU hours on Cray XT5 at ORNL
    - 15,000,000 CPU hours on IBM BlueGene/P at ANL
  - grand challenge award at Livermore (Jurgenson, Navratil, Ormand)
  - applied for CPU time at NCSA (NSF) – Blue Waters (IBM)
- Software
  - Lanczos algorithm – iterative method  
to find lowest eigenvalues and eigenvectors of sparse matrix
  - implemented in Many Fermion Dynamics
    - parallel F90/MPI/OpenMP CI code for nuclear physics

## MFDn – 2-dimensional distribution of matrix

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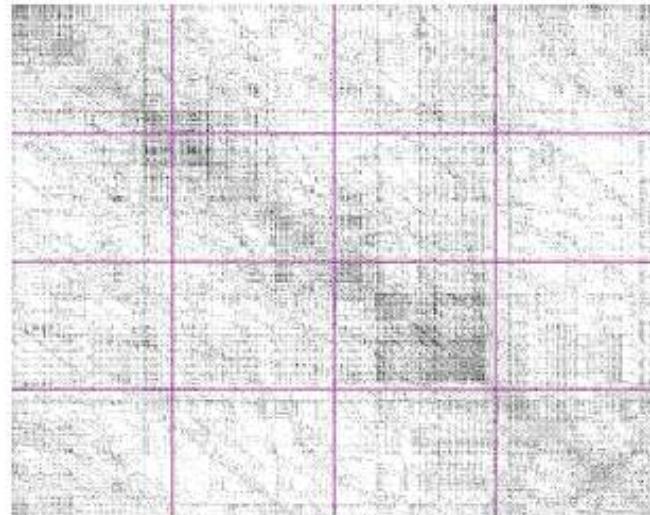
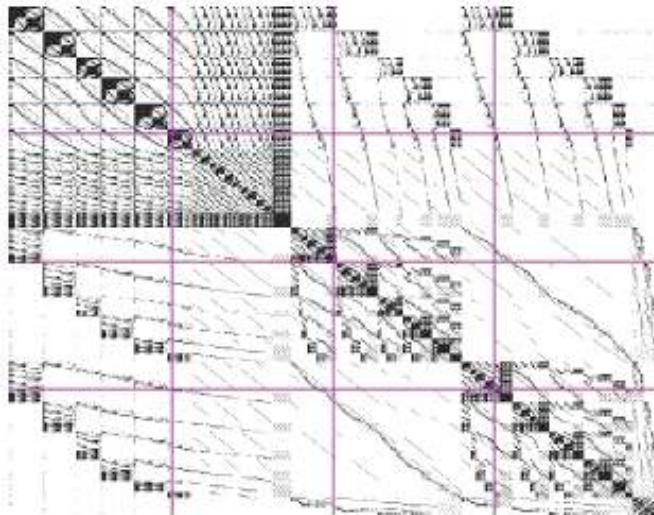


- Real symmetric matrix: store only lower (or upper) triangle
- Store Lanczos vectors distributed over all processors
- In principle, we can deal with arbitrary large vectors even if we cannot store an entire vector on a single processor
  - largest dimension: 8 billion, 32 GB / vector in single precision

## **MFDn – load-balancing**

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- Lexico-graphical enumeration of basis states on  $d$  procs
- Round-robin distribution of basis states over  $d$  procs



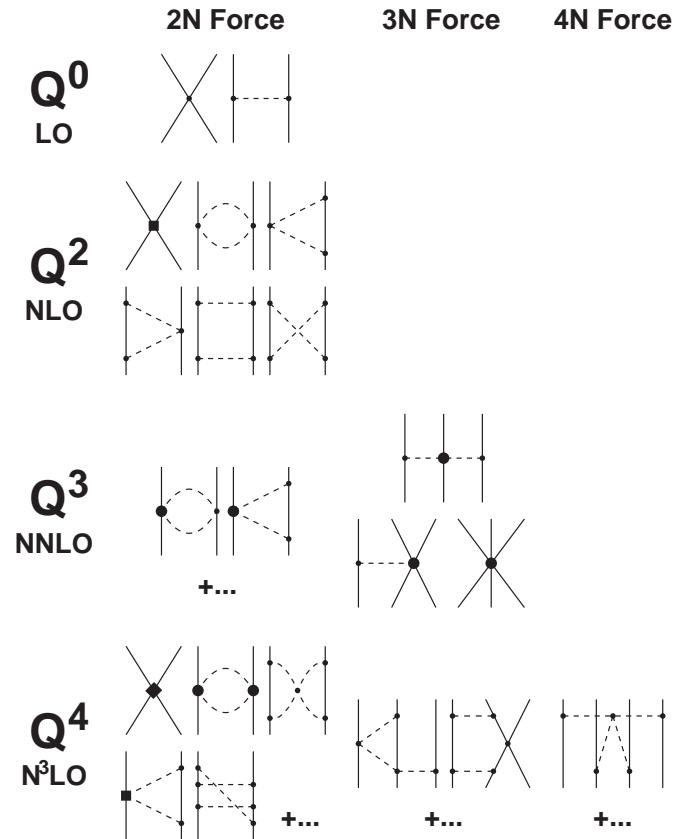
- Almost perfect load balancing
- However, no (apparent) structure in sparse matrix
  - multi-level blocking scheme to locate nonzero's (Sternberg 2008)

Under development: distribute groups of basis states over  $d$  procs  
in order to retain part of the natural structure of the matrix

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# Strong force between nucleons

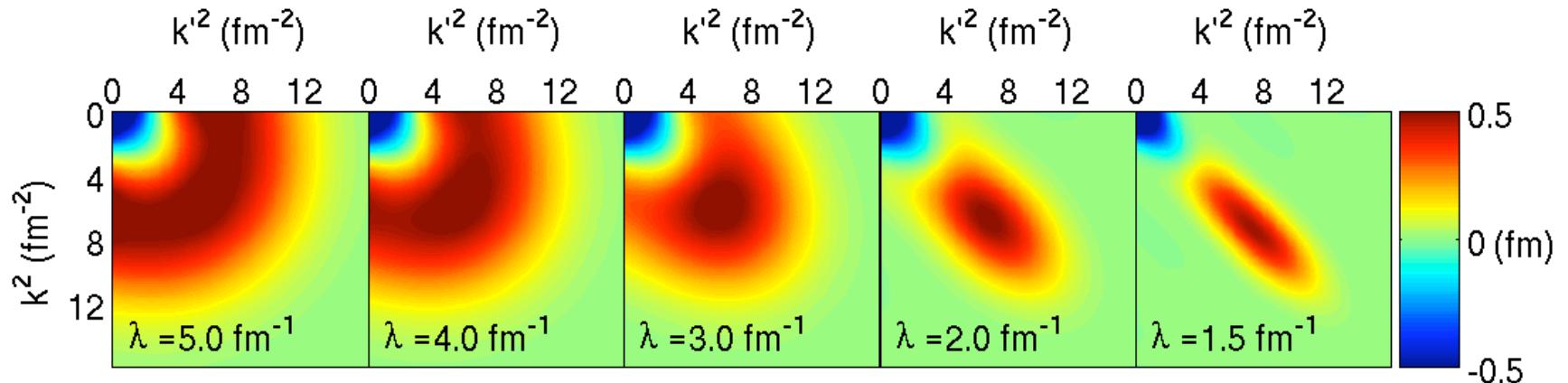
- Strong interaction in principle calculable from QCD
  - Use chiral perturbation theory to obtain effective  $A$ -body interaction from QCD Entem and Machleidt, Phys. Rev. C68, 041001 (2003)
    - controlled power series expansion in  $Q/\Lambda_\chi$  with  $\Lambda_\chi \sim 1$  GeV
    - natural hierarchy for many-body forces
- $V_{NN} \gg V_{NNN} \gg V_{NNNN}$
- in principle no free parameters
    - in practice a few undetermined parameters
  - renormalization necessary
    - Lee–Suzuki–Okamoto
    - Similarity Renormalization Group



# Similarity Renormalization Group – NN interaction

- SRG evolution

Bogner, Furnstahl, Perry, PRC 75 (2007) 061001

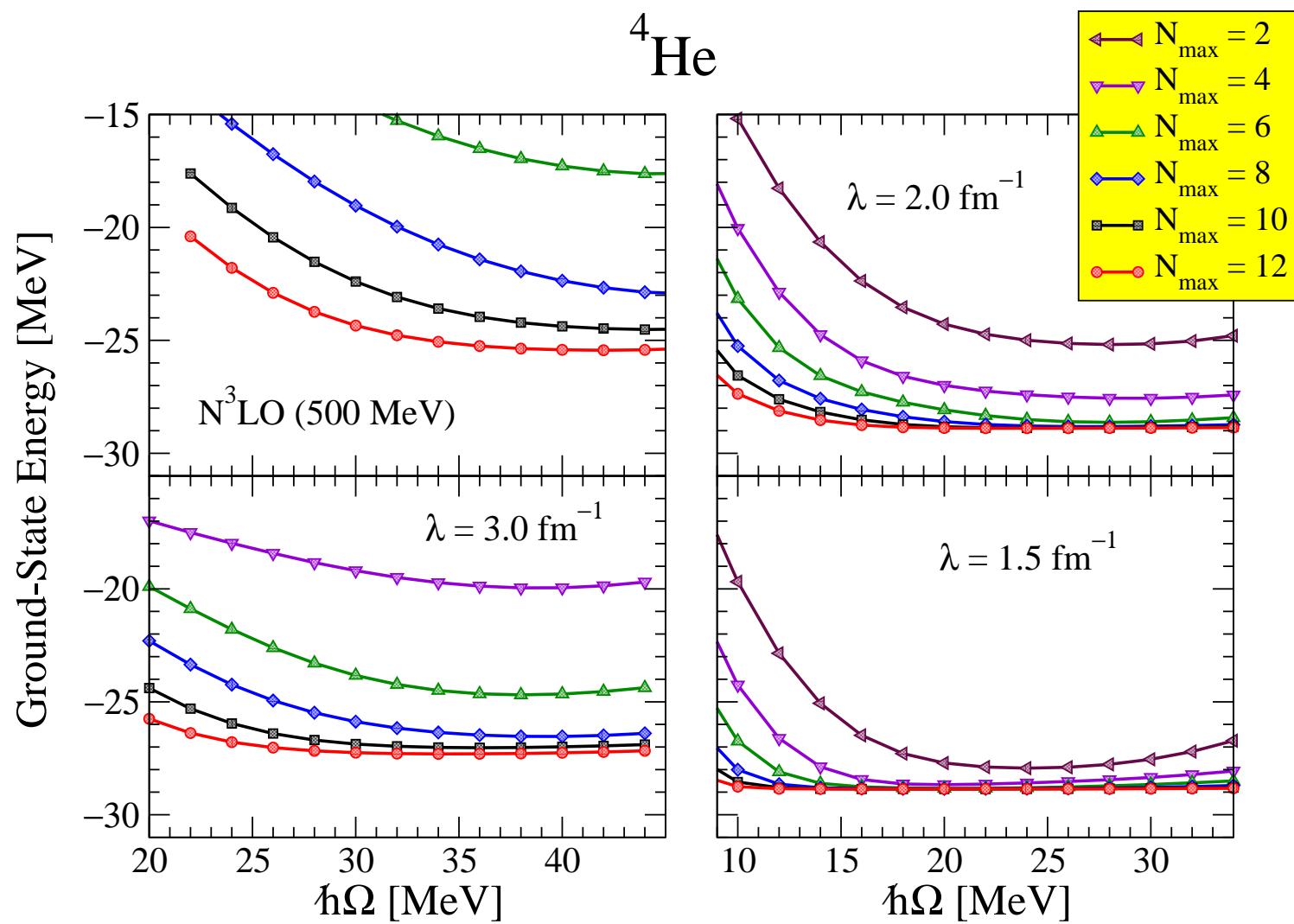


- drives interaction towards band-diagonal structure
- SRG shifts strength between 2-body and many-body forces
- Initial chiral EFT Hamiltonian power-counting hierarchy  $A$ -body forces

$$V_{NN} \gg V_{NNN} \gg V_{NNNN}$$

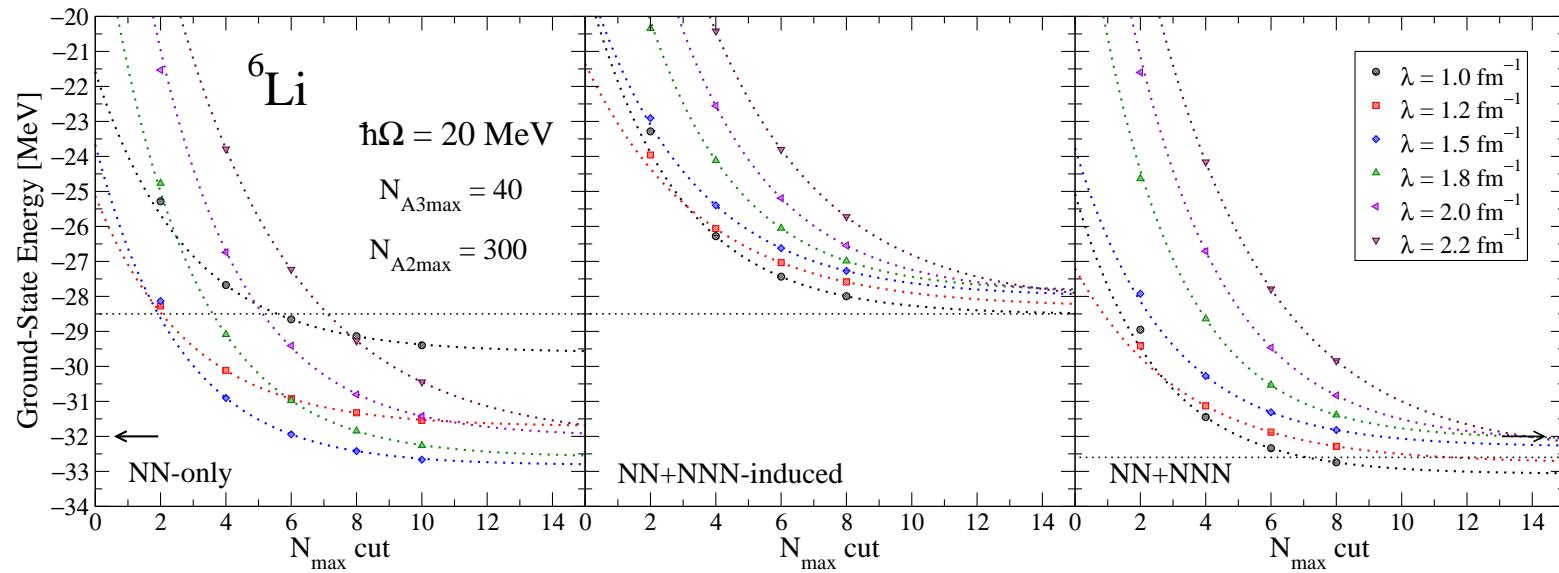
- key issue: preserve hierarchy of many-body forces

# Improve convergence rate by applying SRG to N3LO



Bogner, Furnstahl, Maris, Perry, Schwenk, Vary, NPA801, 21 (2008), arXiv:0708.3754

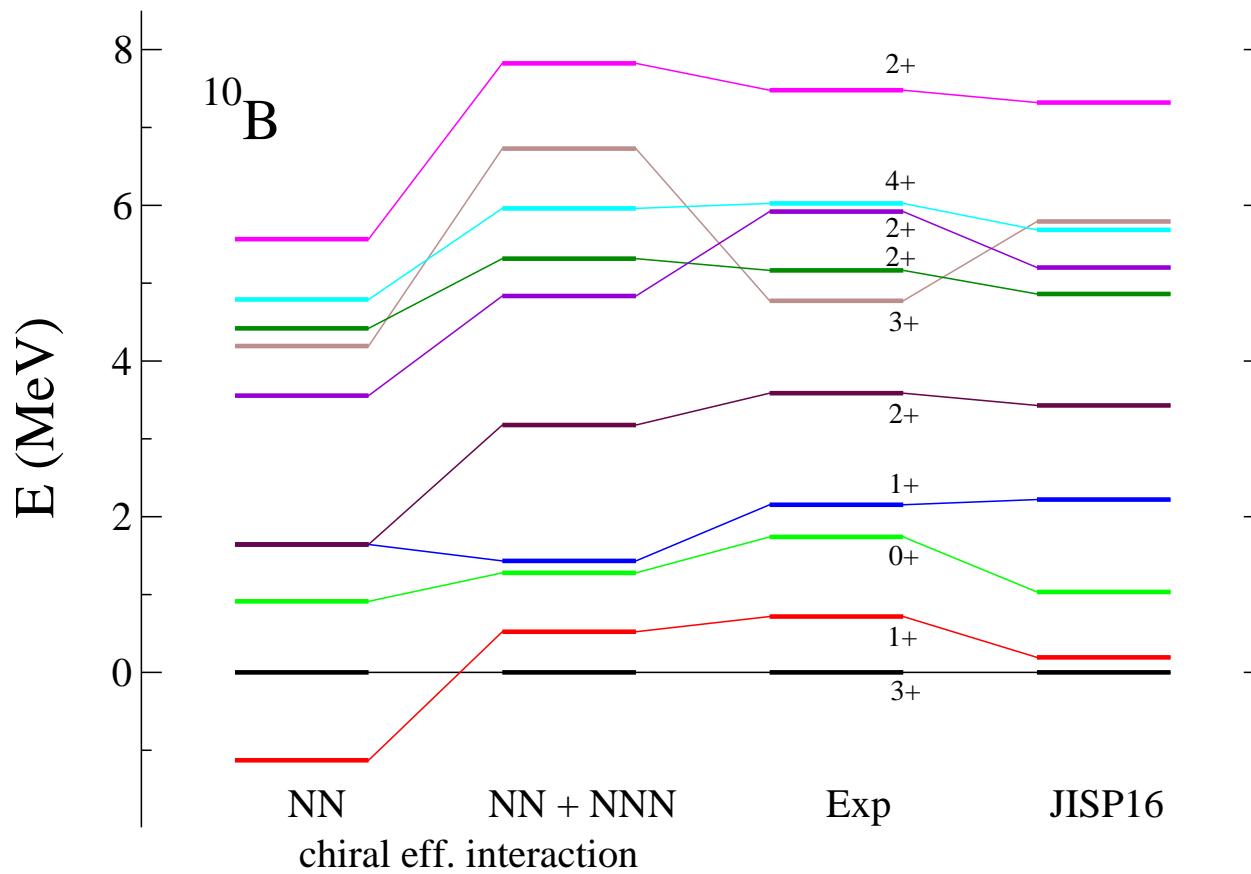
# Effect of three-body forces



(Jurgenson, Navratil, Furnstahl, PRC83, 034301 (2011), arXiv:1011.4085)

- Induced 3NF significantly reduce dependence on SRG parameter
- N2LO 3NF
  - binding energy in agreement with experiment
  - may need induced 4NF?
- Calculations for  $A = 7$  to 12 in progress (LLNL)

# *Do we really need 3-body interactions?*



Spectrum of  $^{10}\text{B}$

with chiral 2- and  
3-body forces  
at  $N_{\max} = 6$

nonlocal 2-body  
interaction JISP16  
at  $N_{\max} = 8$

Vary, Maris, Negoita, Navratil, Gueorguiev, Ormand, Nogga, Shirokov, and Stoica,  
in “Exotic Nuclei and Nuclear/Particle Astrophysic (II)”, AIP Conf. Proc. 972, 49 (2008);  
N3LO+3NF from Navratil, Gueorguiev, Vary, Ormand, and Nogga, PRL 99, 042501 (2007);  
for JISP16 see Shirokov, Vary, Mazur, Weber, PLB 644, 33 (2007)

# *Phenomeological NN interaction: JISP16*

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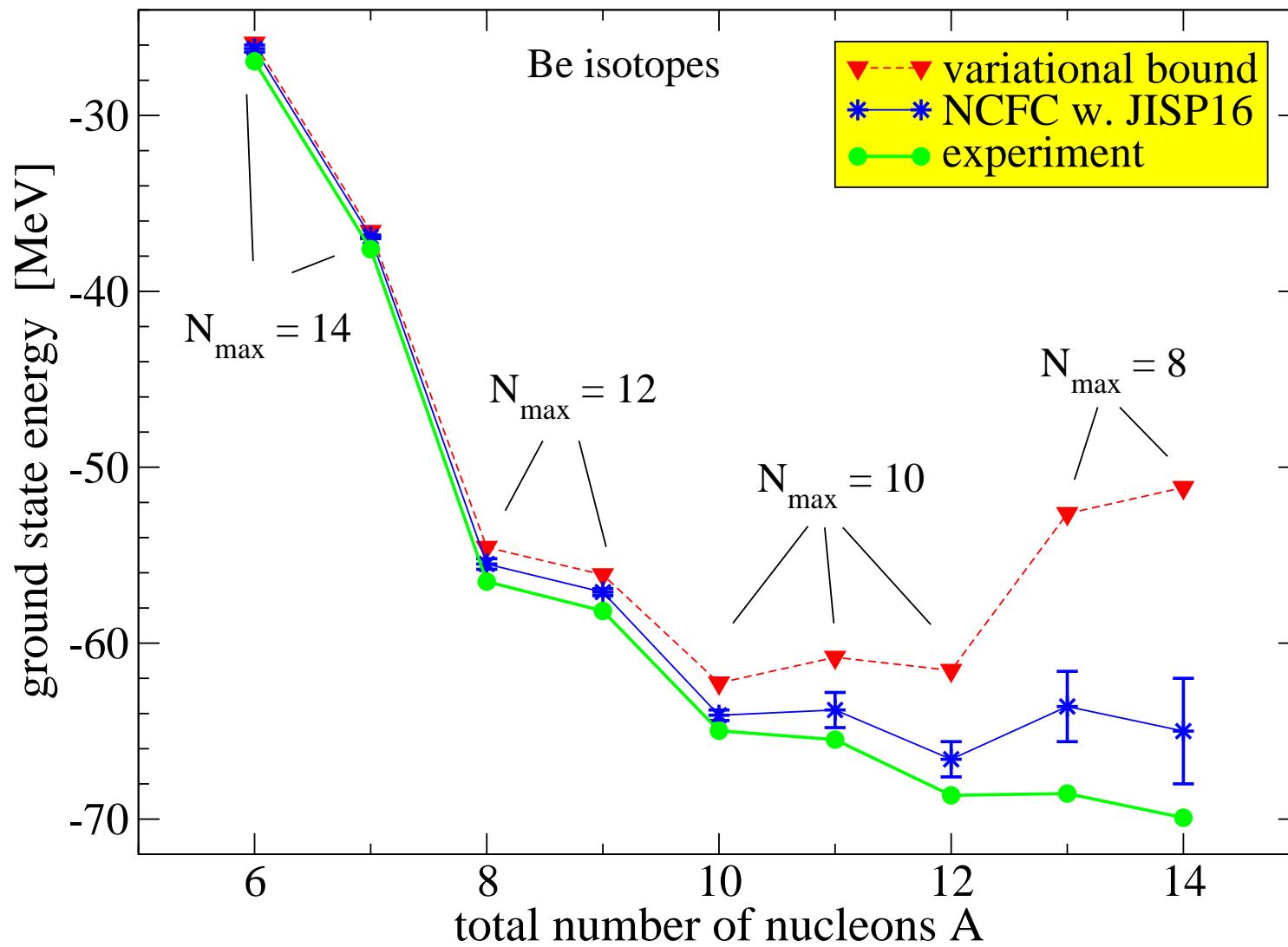
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## J-matrix Inverse Scattering Potential tuned up to $^{16}\text{O}$

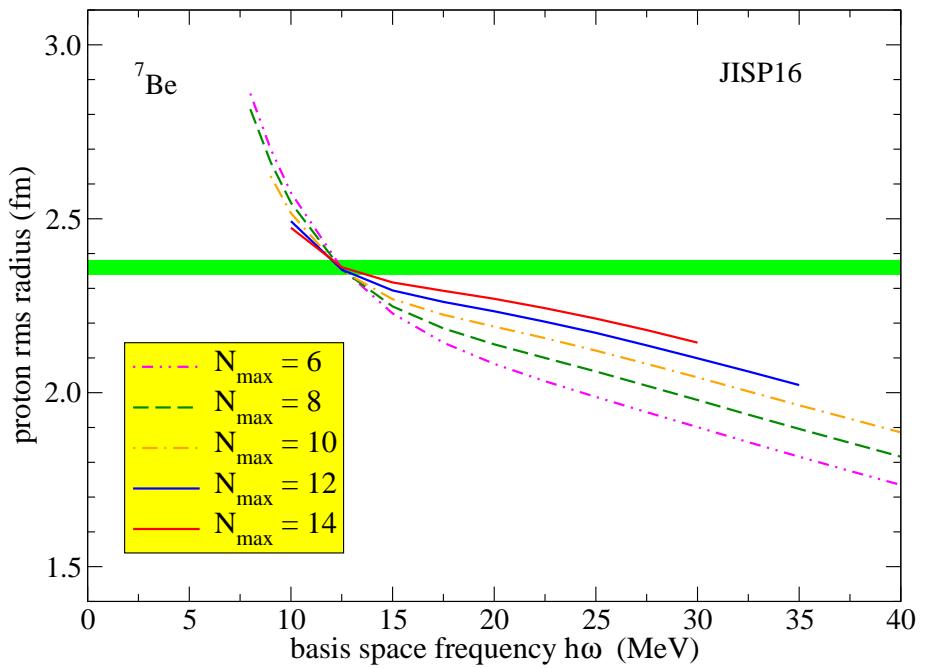
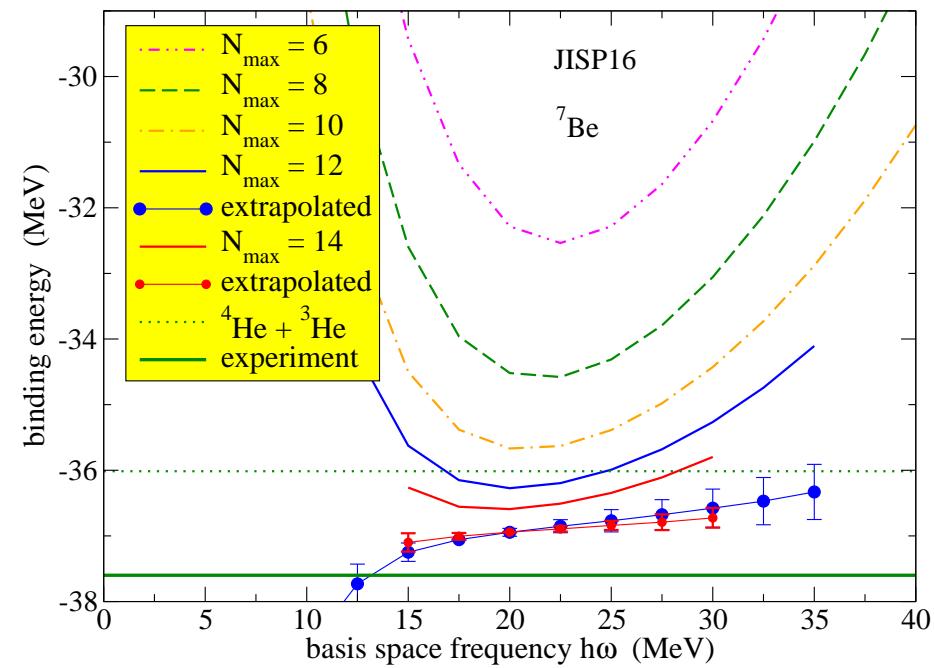
- finite rank separable potential in H.O. representation
- fitted to available  $NN$  scattering data
- use unitary transformations to tune off-shell interaction to
  - binding energy of  $^3\text{He}$
  - low-lying spectrum of  $^6\text{Li}$  (JISP6, precursor to JISP16)
  - binding energy of  $^{16}\text{O}$
- good fit to a range of light nuclear properties
- very soft potential compared to other  $NN$  potentials
- nonlocal potential (by construction)
- details available at

<http://nuclear.physics.iastate.edu/>

# Ground state energy Be-isotopes with JISP16

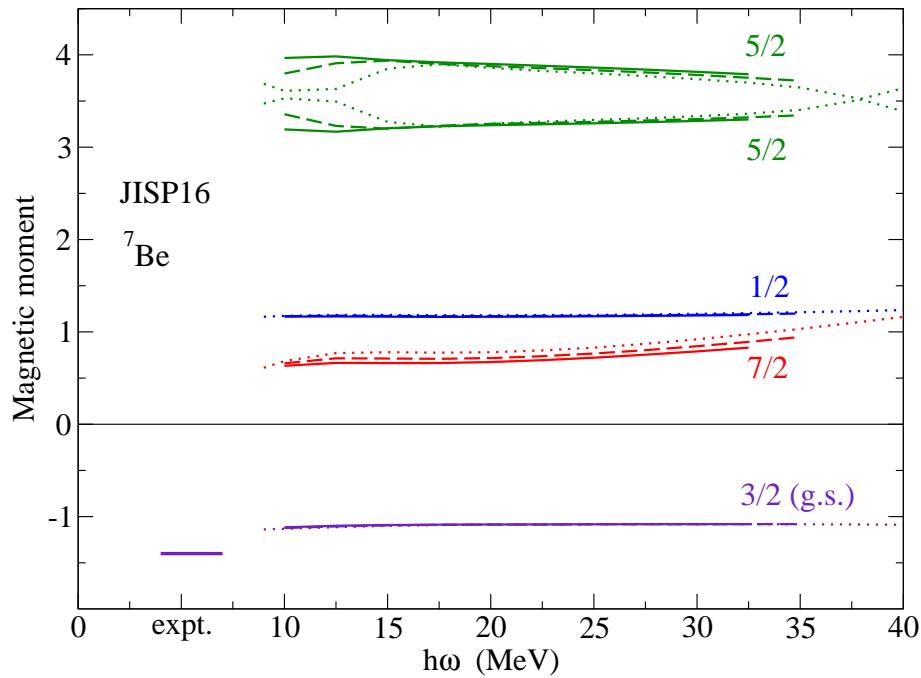
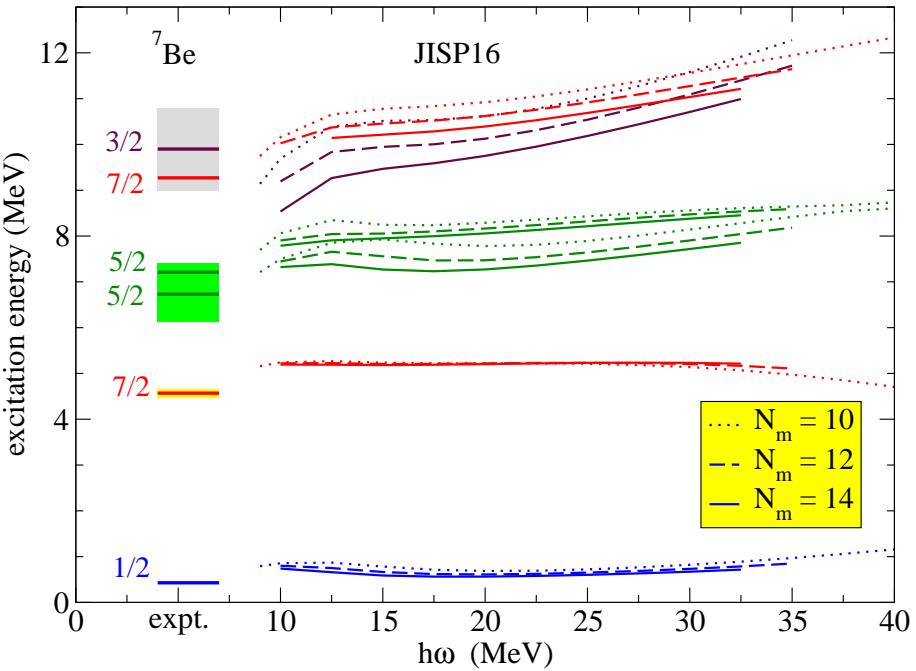


# *7Be – Ground state properties*



- Binding energy converges monotonically, with optimal H.O. frequency around  $\hbar\omega = 20$  MeV to 25 MeV
- Ground state about 0.7 MeV underbound with JISP16
- Proton point radius does not converge monotonically

# *7Be – Excited states*



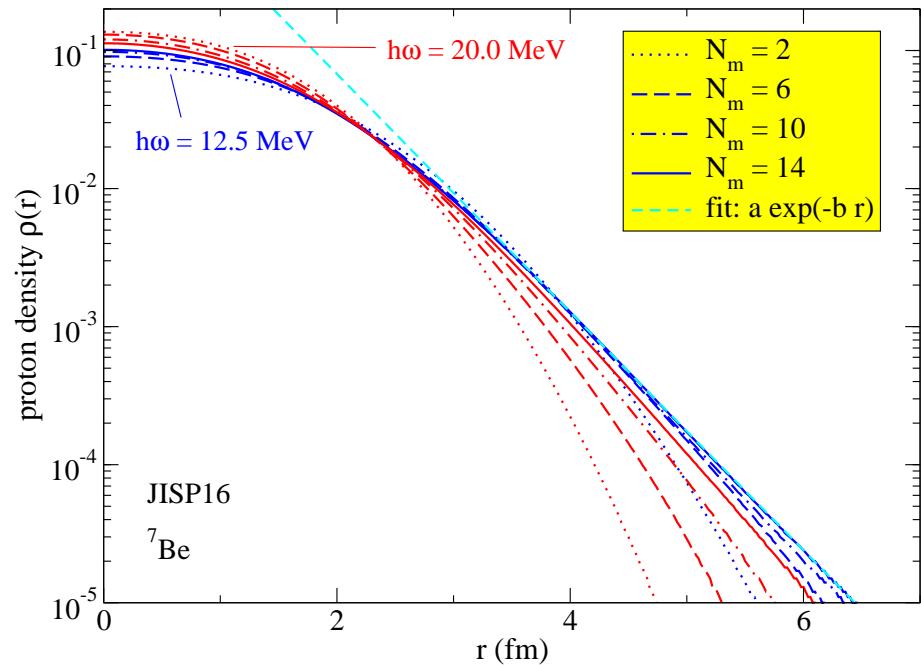
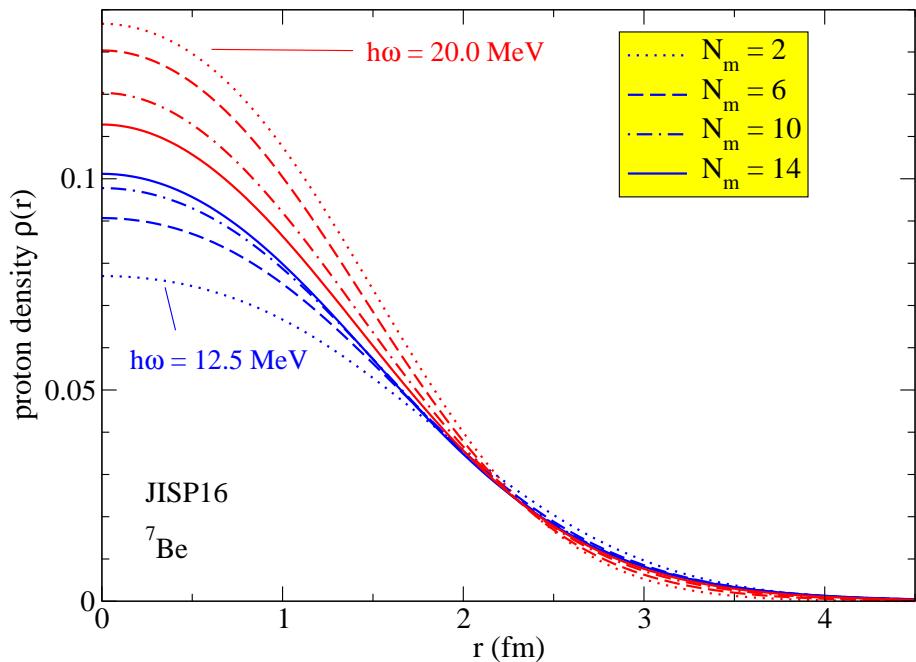
- Excitation energy of narrow states
  - converge rapidly
  - agree with experiments
- Broad resonances depend  $\hbar\omega$

- Magnetic moments well converged
  - 2-body currents needed for agreement with data (meson-exchange currents)

# *<sup>7</sup>Be – Proton density*

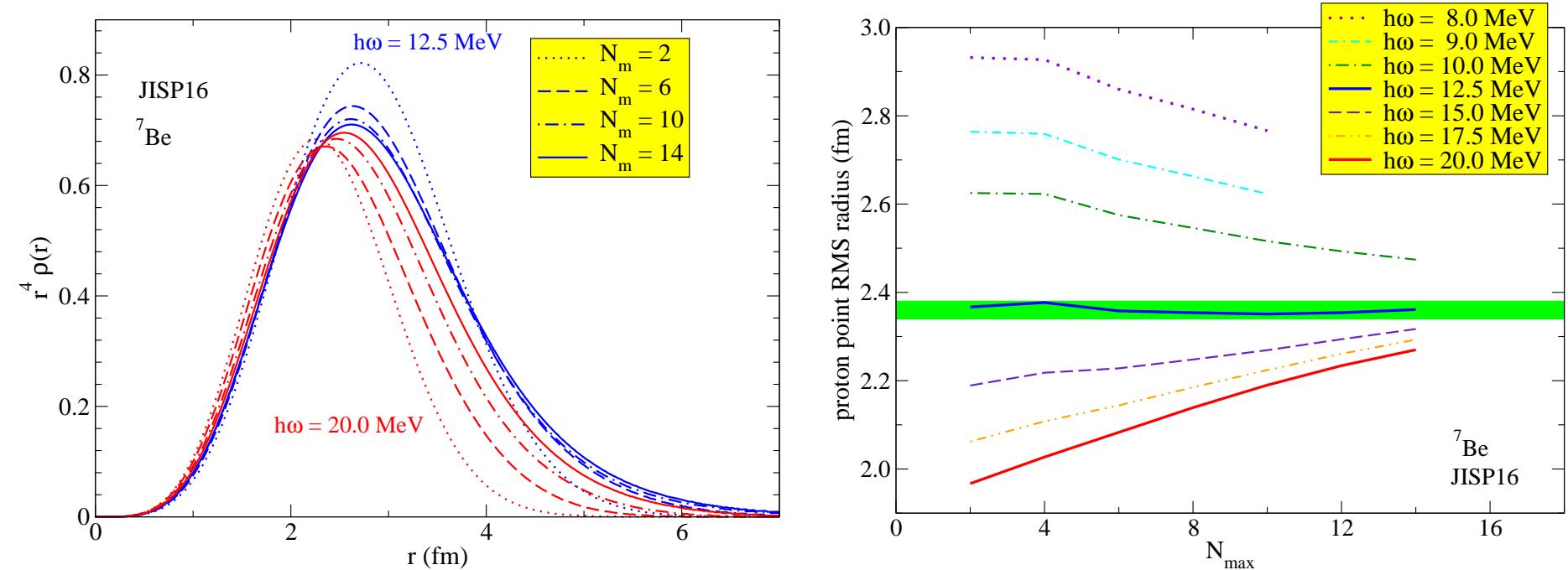
- Intrinsic density – center-of-mass motion taken out

w. Cockrell, PhD student ISU



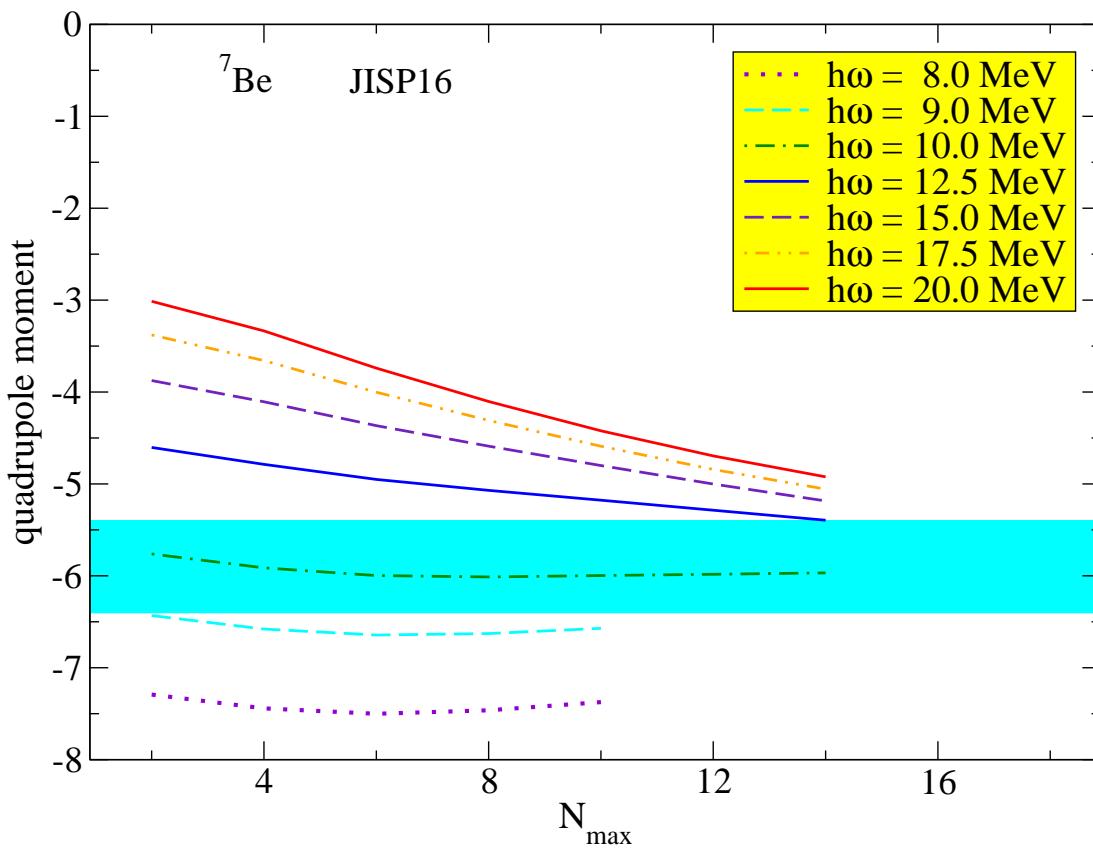
- Slow build up of asymptotic tail of wavefunction
- Proton density appears to converge more rapidly at  $\hbar\omega = 12.5 \text{ MeV}$  than at 20 MeV because long-range part of wavefunction is better represented with smaller H.O. parameter

# *7Be – Proton radius*



- Calculation one-body observables  $\langle i | \mathcal{O} | j \rangle \sim \int \mathcal{O}(r) r^2 \rho_{ij}(r) dr$
- RMS radius:  $\mathcal{O}(r) = r^2$
- Slow convergence of RMS radius due to slow build up of asymptotic tail
- Ground state RMS radius in agreement with data

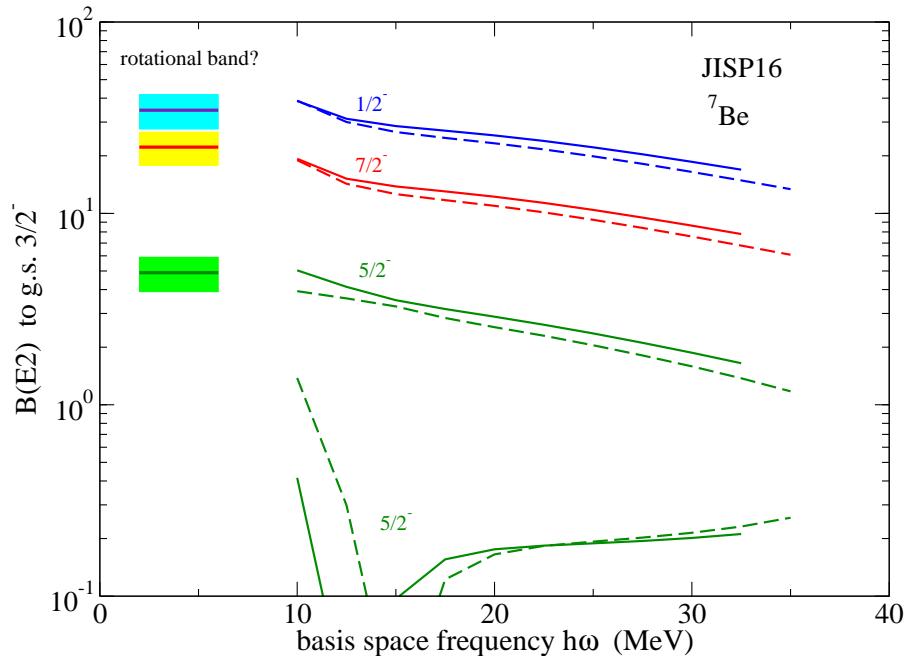
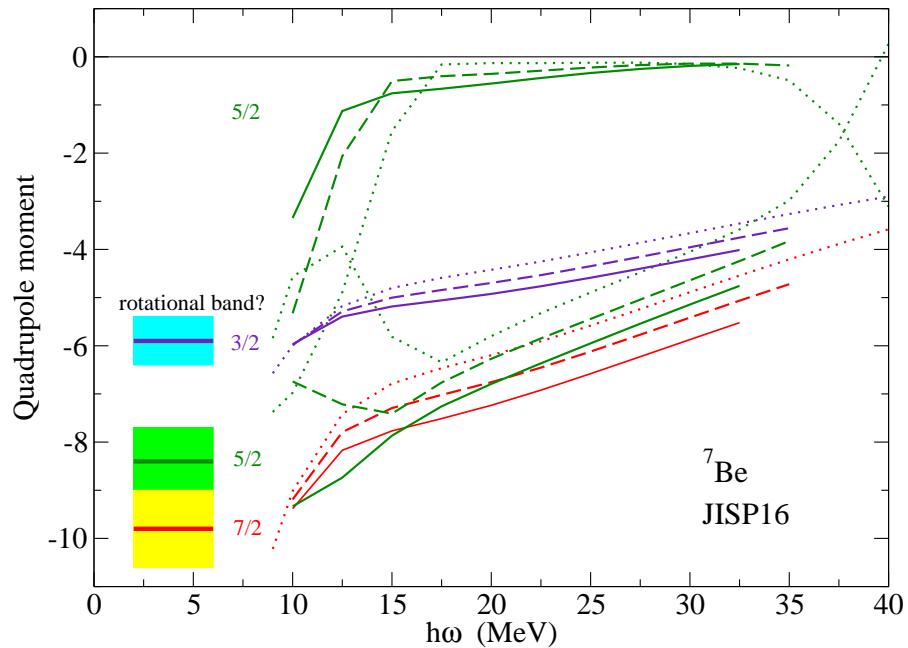
## $^{7}\text{Be}$ – Quadrupole moment



- Ground state quadrupole moment in agreement with data
- Optimal basis space around  $\hbar\omega = 10$  MeV to 12 MeV
- Similar slow convergence for E2 transitions

# *<sup>7</sup>Be – Rotational band*

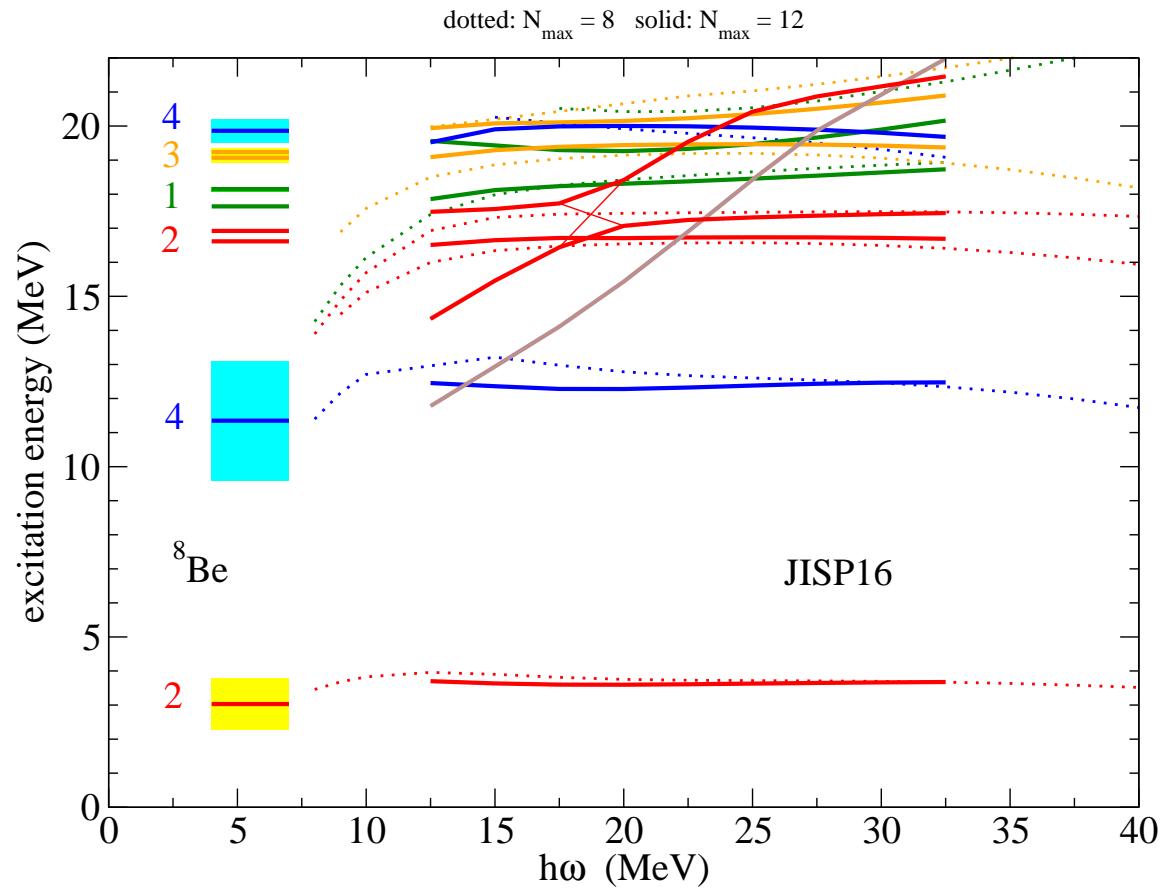
E2 observables suggest rotational structure for  $\frac{3}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{7}{2}$ ,  $\frac{5}{2}$  states



$$Q(J) = \frac{\frac{3}{4} - J(J+1)}{(J+1)(2J+3)} Q_0^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$B(E2; i \rightarrow f) = \frac{5}{16\pi} \left( Q_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \right)^2 \left( J_i, \frac{1}{2}; 2, 0 \middle| J_f, \frac{1}{2} \right)^2$$

# *8Be – Spectrum positive parity*



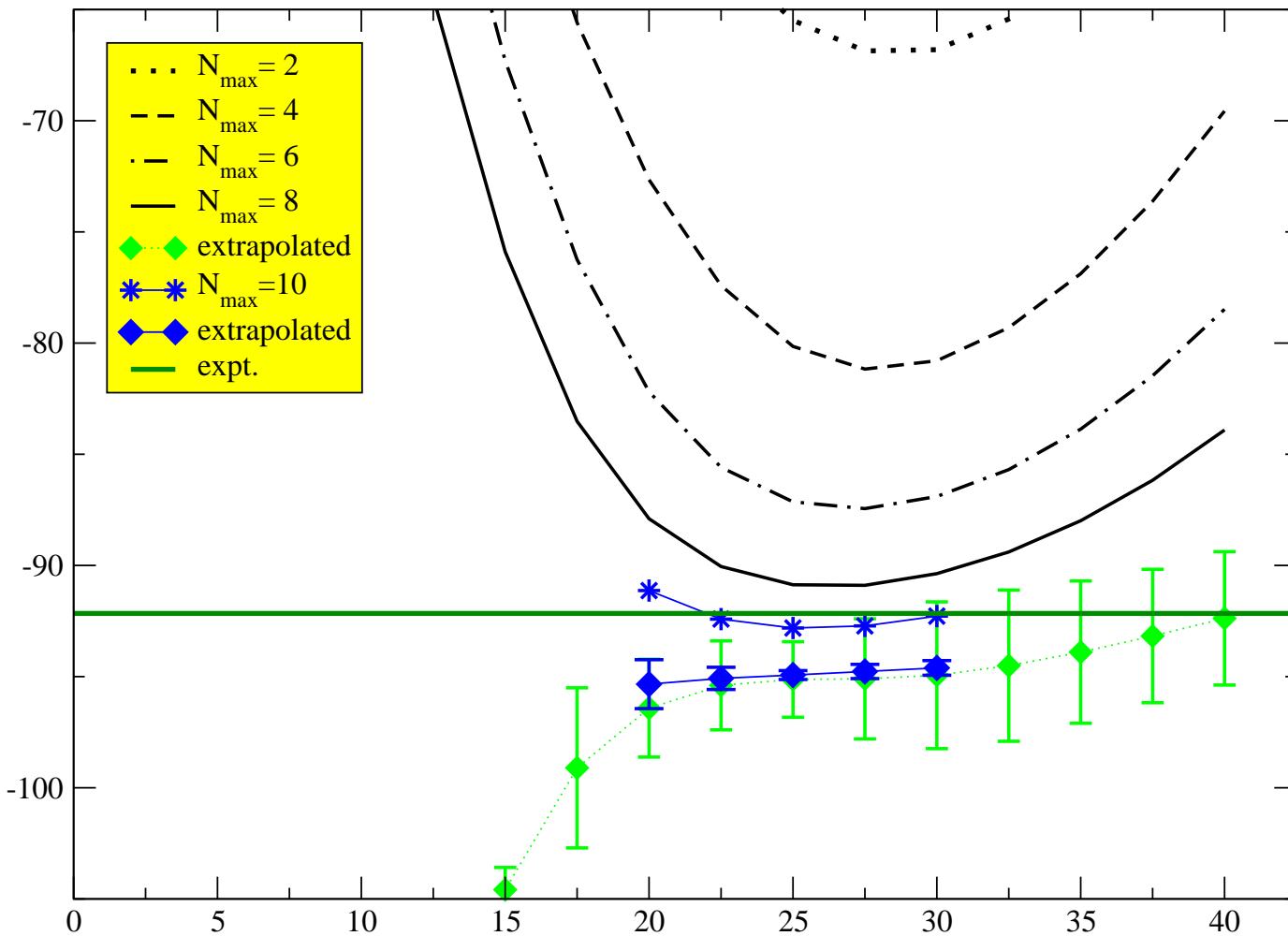
- Pairs of isospin 0 and 1 states with  $J = 2, 1$ , and 3
- Evidence of continuum states ( $J = 0$  and 2) at  $N_{\max} = 12$
- Rotational band

	expt.	calc	rotor
$E_4/E_2$	3.75	3.40	3.33

- Ground state above  $2\alpha$  threshold: radius not converged
- Quadrupole moments  $2^+$  and  $4^+$  not converged, nor  $B(E2)$ 's, but in qualitative agreement with rotational structure

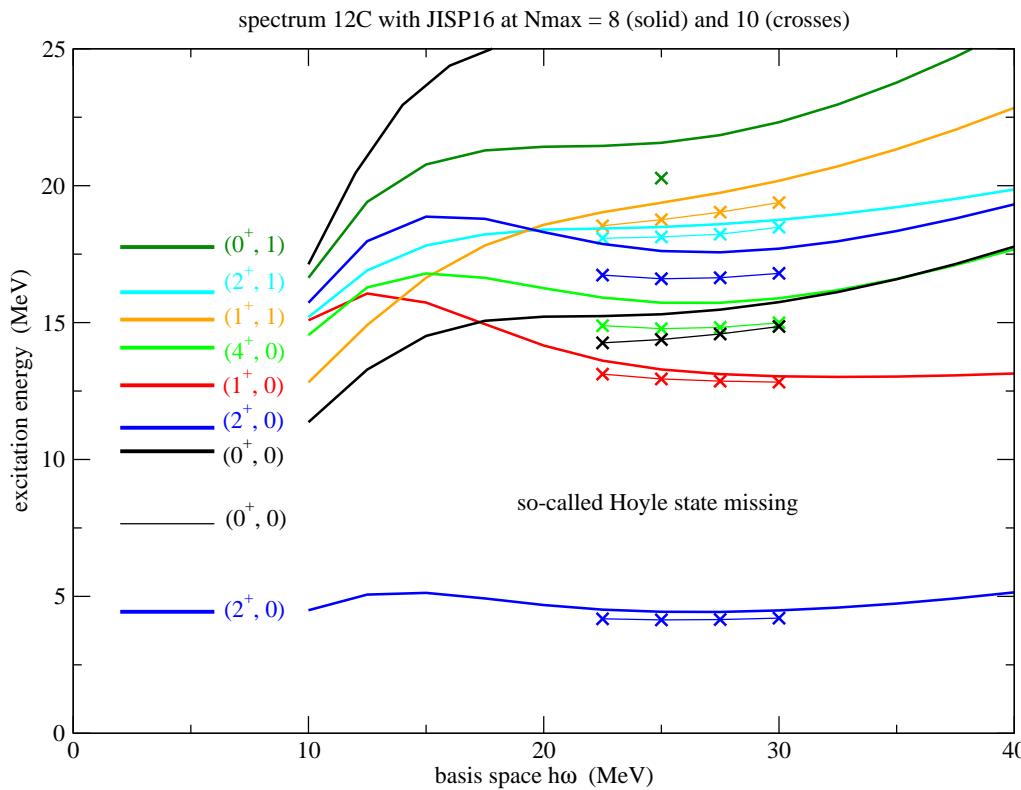
## Results with JISP16 for $^{12}\text{C}$

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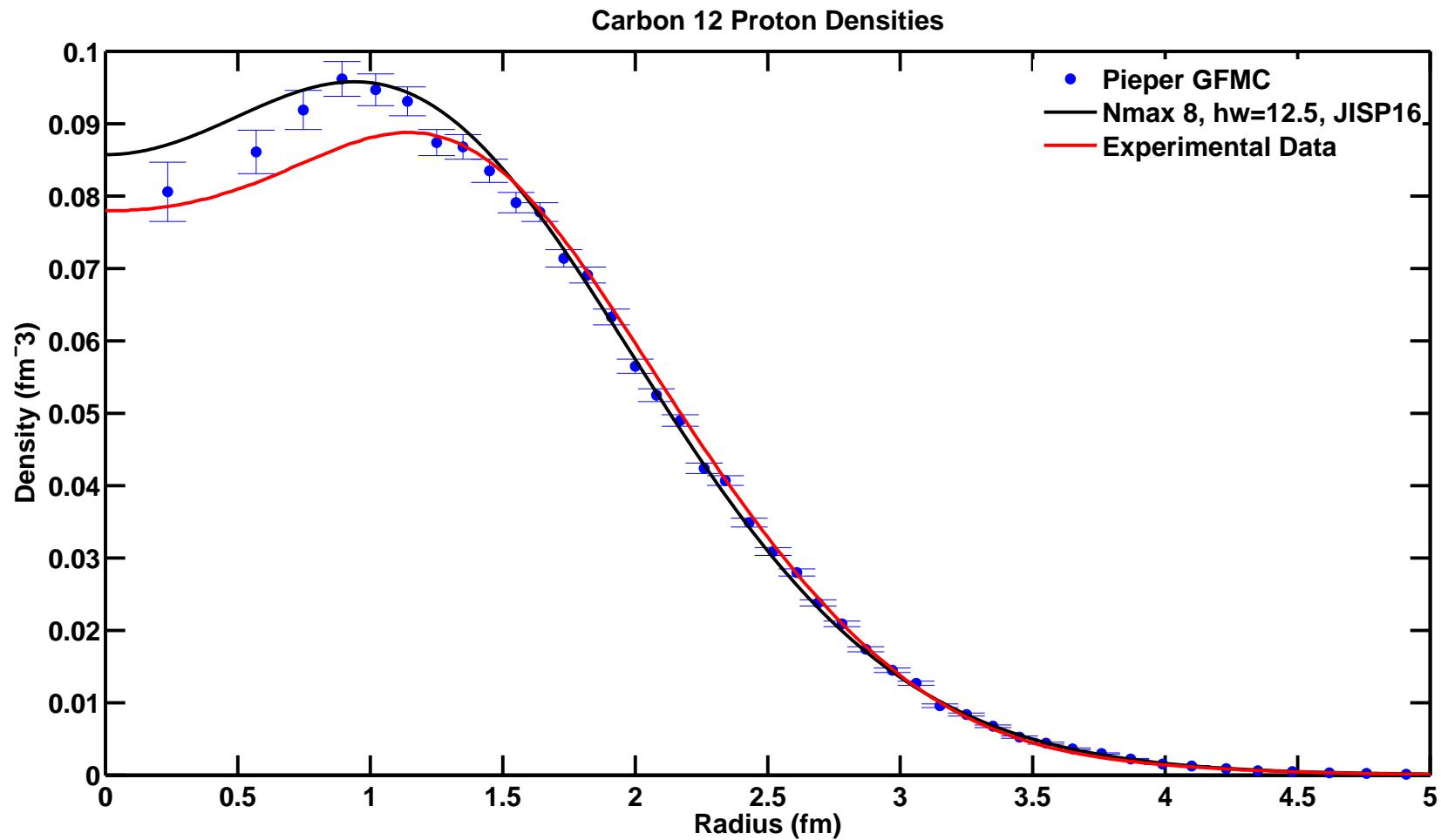
- Calculations for  $N_{\max} = 10$  underway ( $D = 8$  billion) using 100,000 cores on JaguarPF (ORNL) under INCITE award
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# Spectrum of $^{12}\text{C}$ with JISP16 – work in progress



- Pos. parity states in agreement with data, except for Hoyle state
- Electromagnetic transitions in progress
  - rotational  $2^+$  and  $4^+$  states, significantly enhanced B(E2)
  - optimal basis  $\hbar\omega$  for  $\mathcal{Q}$  and B(E2) around  $\hbar\omega = 12.5$  MeV
- Neutrino and pion scattering calculations in progress

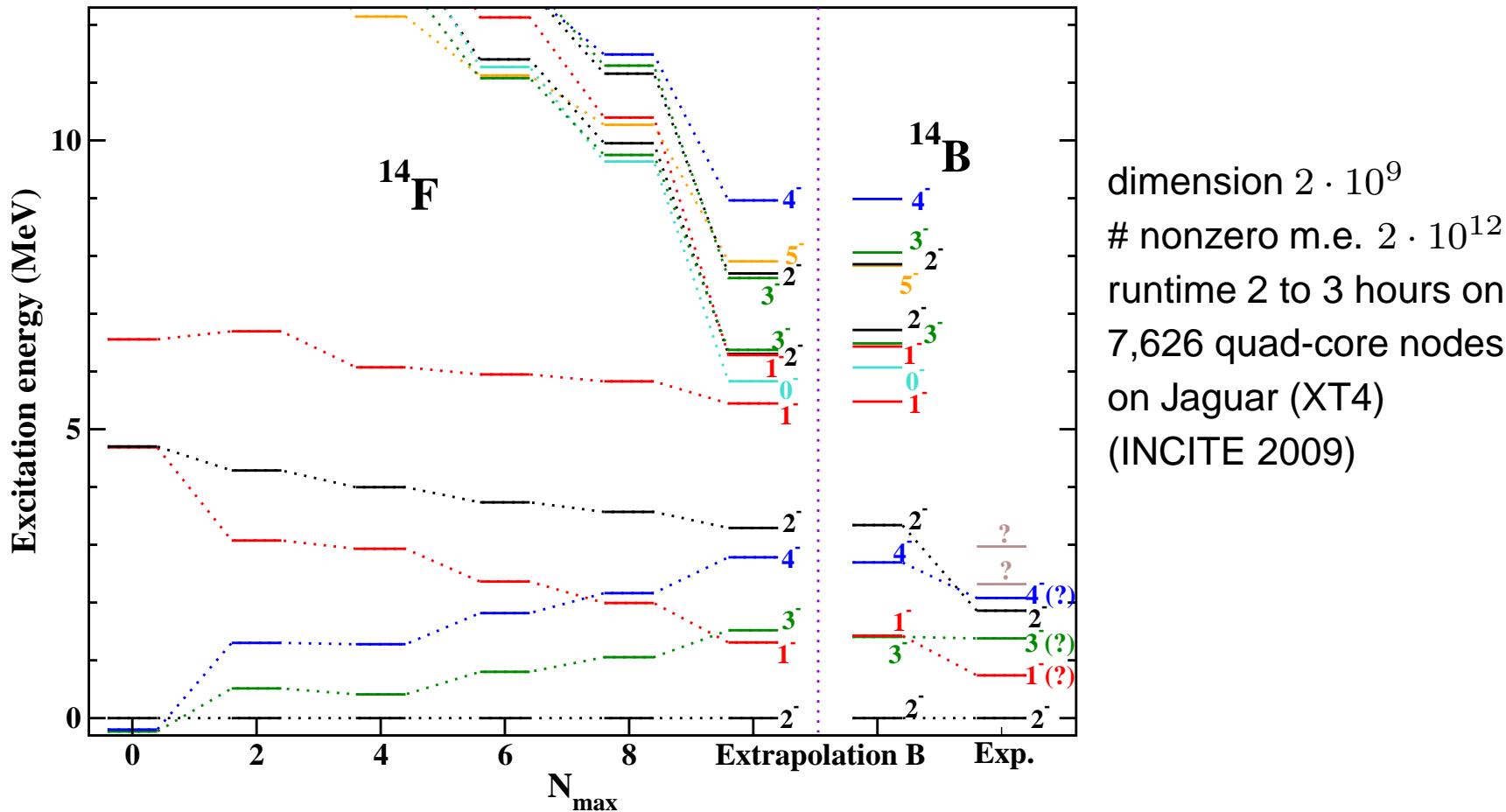
# Density of $^{12}\text{C}$ with JISP16



- GFMC: AV18 + IL7, on BlueGene/P using 131,072 cores (INCITE)  
“More scalability, Less pain”, Lusk, Pieper, and Butler, SciDAC review 17, 30 (2010)
- JISP16 density at  $N_{\text{max}} = 8$ ,  $\hbar\omega = 12.5 \text{ MeV}$

# Scientific Discovery – unstable nucleus $^{14}\text{F}$

Maris, Shirokov, Vary, arXiv:0911.2281 [nucl-th], Phys. Rev. C81, 021301(R) (2010)



- Predicted ground state energy:  $72 \pm 4$  MeV (unstable)
- Mirror nucleus  $^{14}\text{B}$ :  $86 \pm 4$  MeV agrees with experiment 85.423 MeV

# Predictions for $^{14}\text{F}$ confirmed by experiments at Texas A&M

Theory published PRC: Feb. 4, 2010

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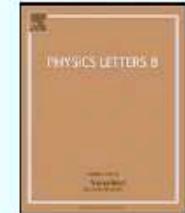
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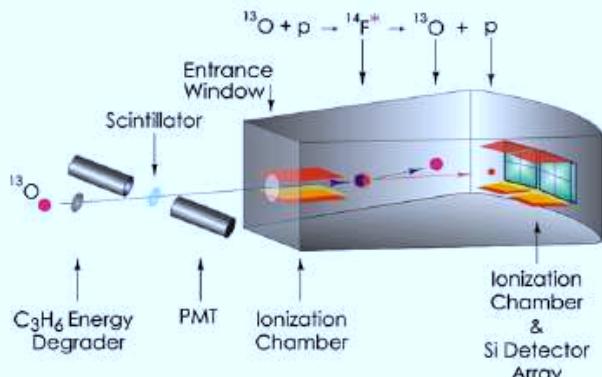


Fig. 1. (Color online.) The setup for the  $^{14}\text{F}$  experiment. The "gray box" is the scattering chamber. See explanation in the text.

NCFC predictions (JISP16) in close agreement with experiment

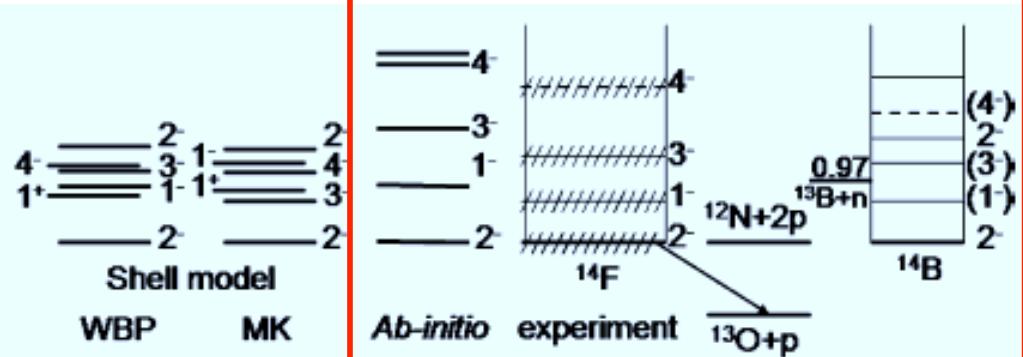
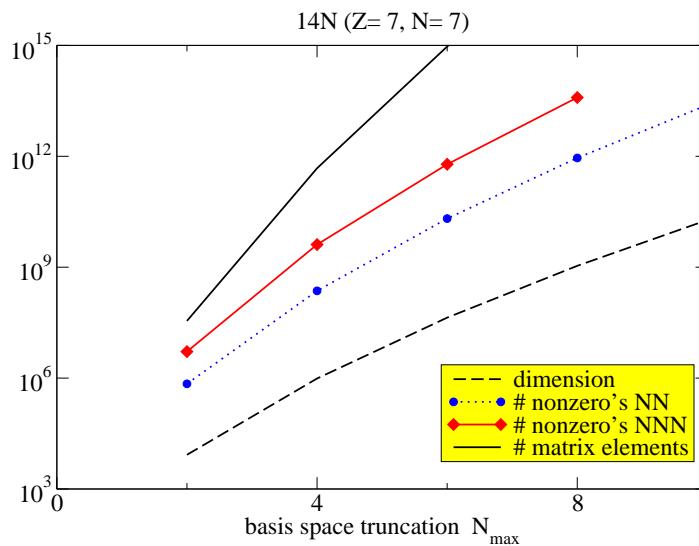
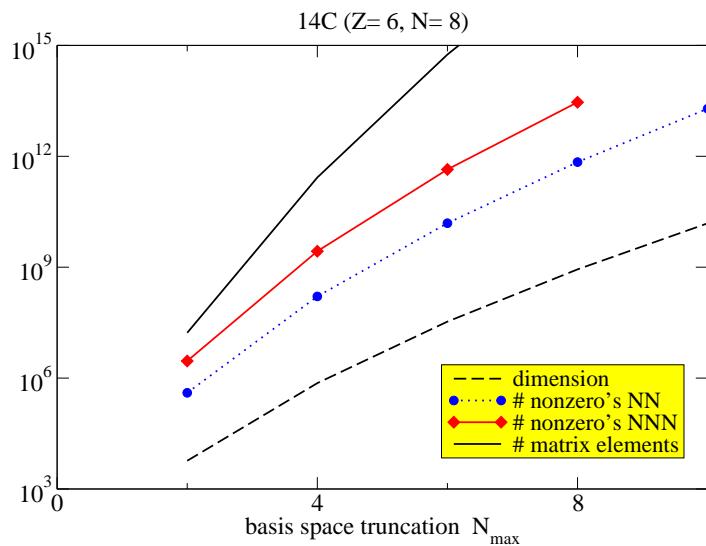


Fig. 6.  $^{14}\text{F}$  level scheme from this work compared with shell-model calculations, *ab-initio* calculations [3] and the  $^{14}\text{B}$  level scheme [16]. The shell model calculations were performed with the WBP [21] and MK [22] residual interactions using the code COSMO [23].

# Petascale Early Science – Ab initio structure of Carbon-14



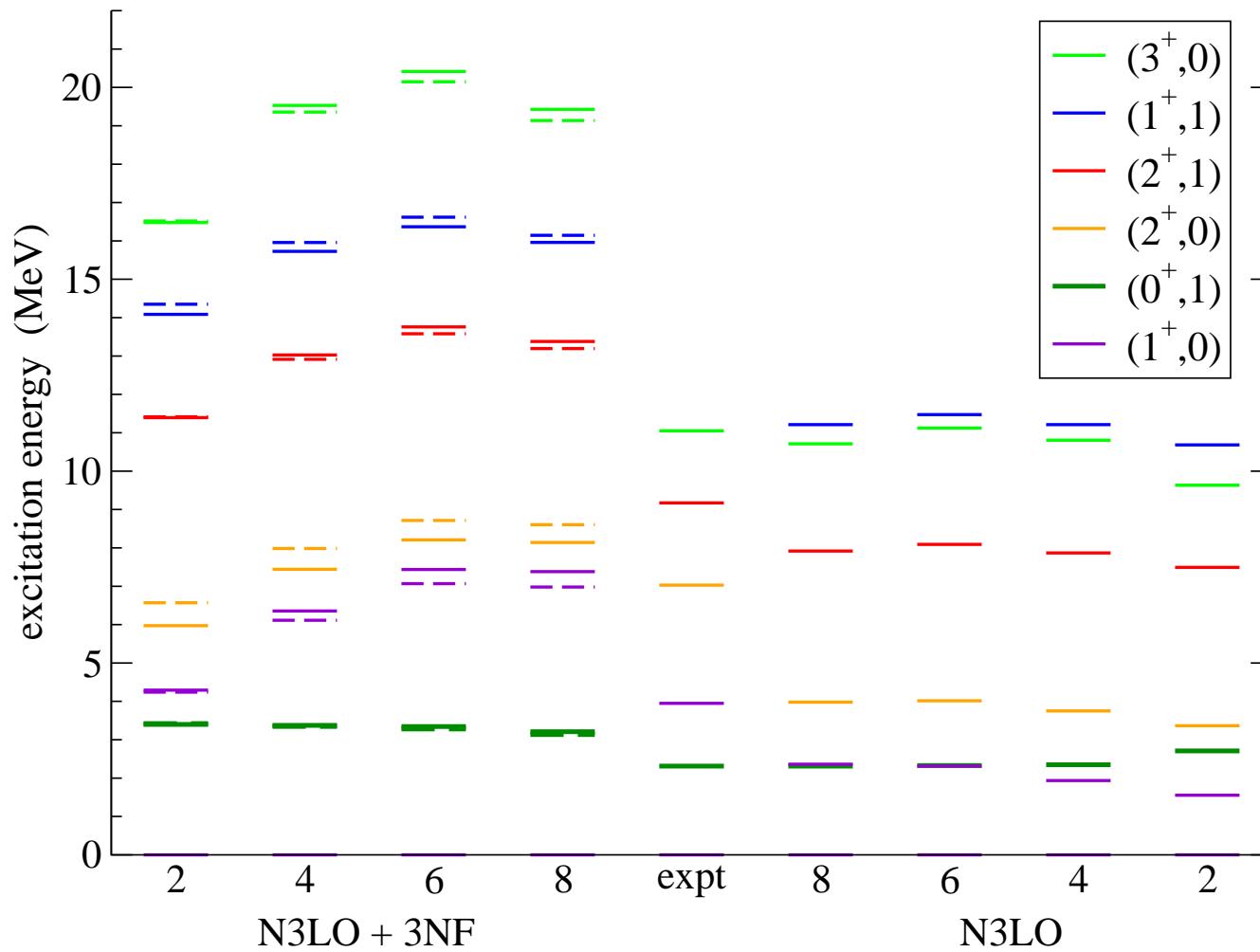
- Chiral effective 2-body plus 3-body interactions at  $N_{\max} = 8$
- Basis space dimension 1.1 billion
- Number of nonzero m.e. 39 trillion
- Memory to store matrix (CRF) 320 TB
- Total memory on JaguarPF 300 TB



ran on JaguarPF (XT5) using up to 36k 8GB processors (216k cores)  
after additional code-development for partial “reconstruct-on-the-fly”

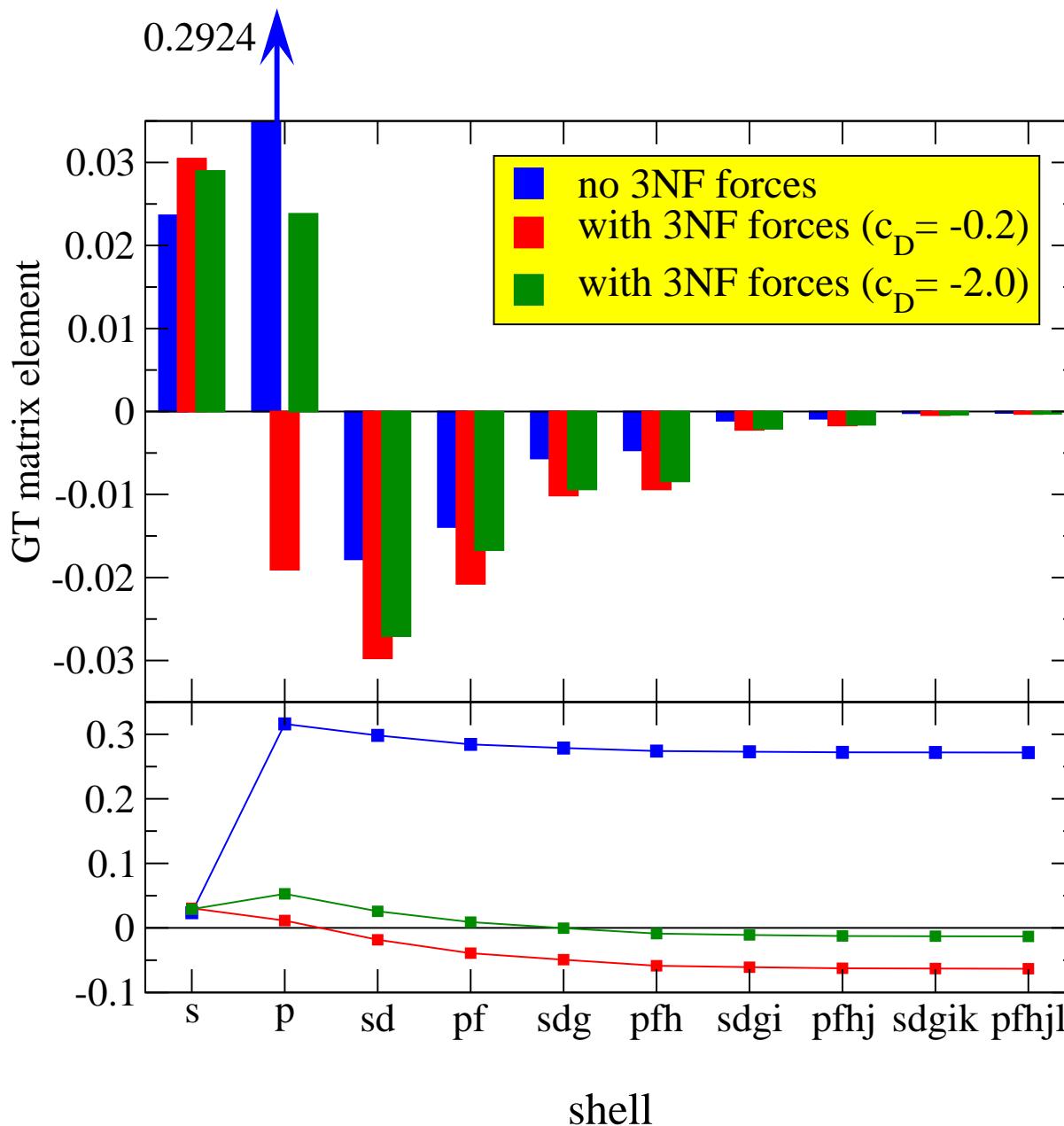
# *Ab initio structure of Carbon-14 and Nitrogen-14*

Maris, Vary, Navratil, Ormand, Nam, Dean, arXiv:1101.5124 [nucl-th]



chiral 2-body plus 3-body forces (left) and 2-body forces only (right)

# Origin of the anomalously long life-time of $^{14}\text{C}$



- near-complete cancellations between dominant contributions within  $p$ -shell
- very sensitive to details

Maris, Vary, Navratil,  
Ormand, Nam, Dean,  
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## *Neutrons in a trap: Why*

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- Validate ab-initio DFT approaches against microscopic ab-initio calculations
  - compare Density Matrix Expansion and ab-initio NCFC calculations
    - using the **same** interaction
    - calculating the **same** observables for the **same** systems
- Construct Universal Nuclear Energy Density Functional consistent with ab-initio calculations
- Theoretical 'laboratory' to explore
  - properties of different nuclear interactions
  - effect of density and gradient on nuclear properties for different interactions
- Model for neutron-rich systems in particular those with closed shell protons (Oxygen, Calcium)

Essential in order to make meaningful comparison with other methods:  
**quantify dependence on basis space truncation parameters**

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# *Validating ab-initio DME/DFT calculations*

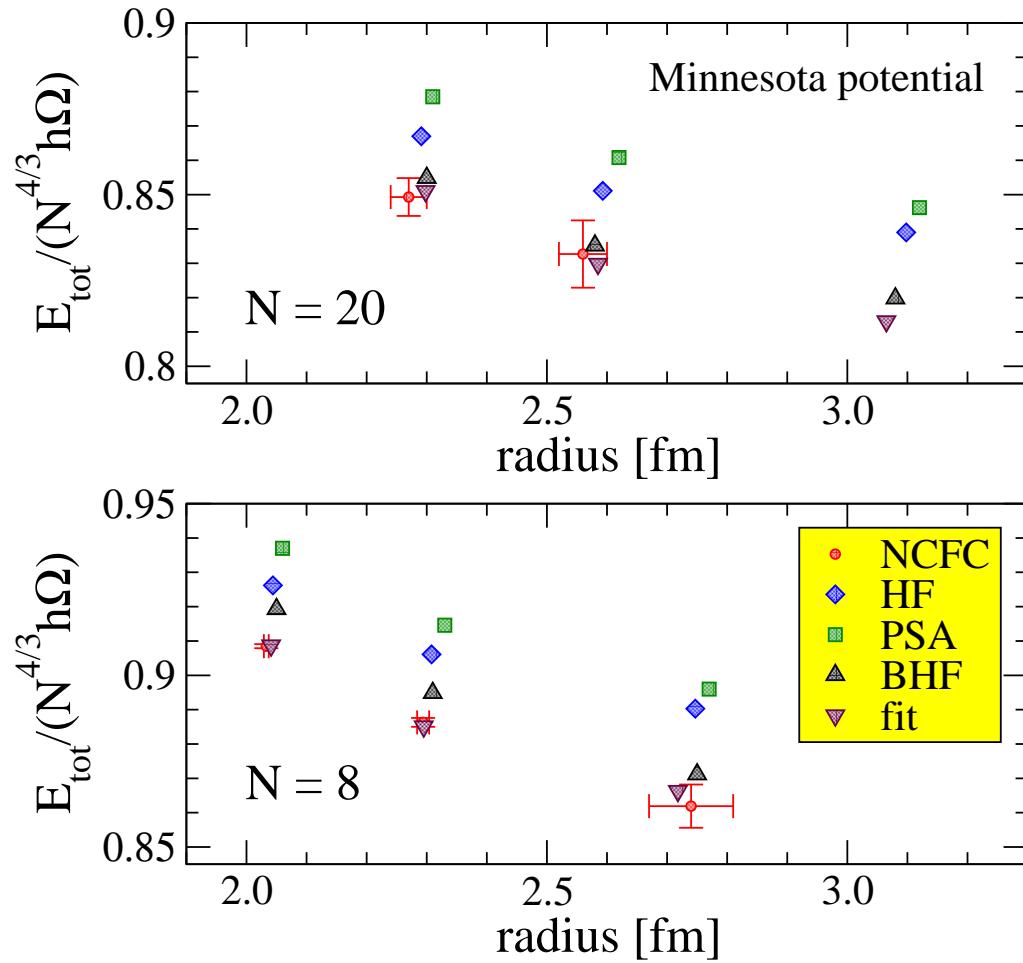
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Bogner, Furnstahl, Kortelainen, Maris, Stoistov, Vary, in preparation

- Simple model for interaction
  - Minnesota potential
- Ab-initio NCFC calculations for neutrons in H.O. potential
  - including numerical error estimates on all 'observables'
- DFT using same NN interaction as NCFC
  - Hartree–Fock
  - Density Matrix Expansion, Hartree–Fock
  - Density Matrix Expansion, Brueckner–Hartree–Fock
- DFT fit to NCFC results
- Comparison for 8, 14, and 20 neutrons
  - total and internal energy per neutron
  - rms radius
  - form factor  $F(q)$

# Minnesota potential – Total energy vs. radius

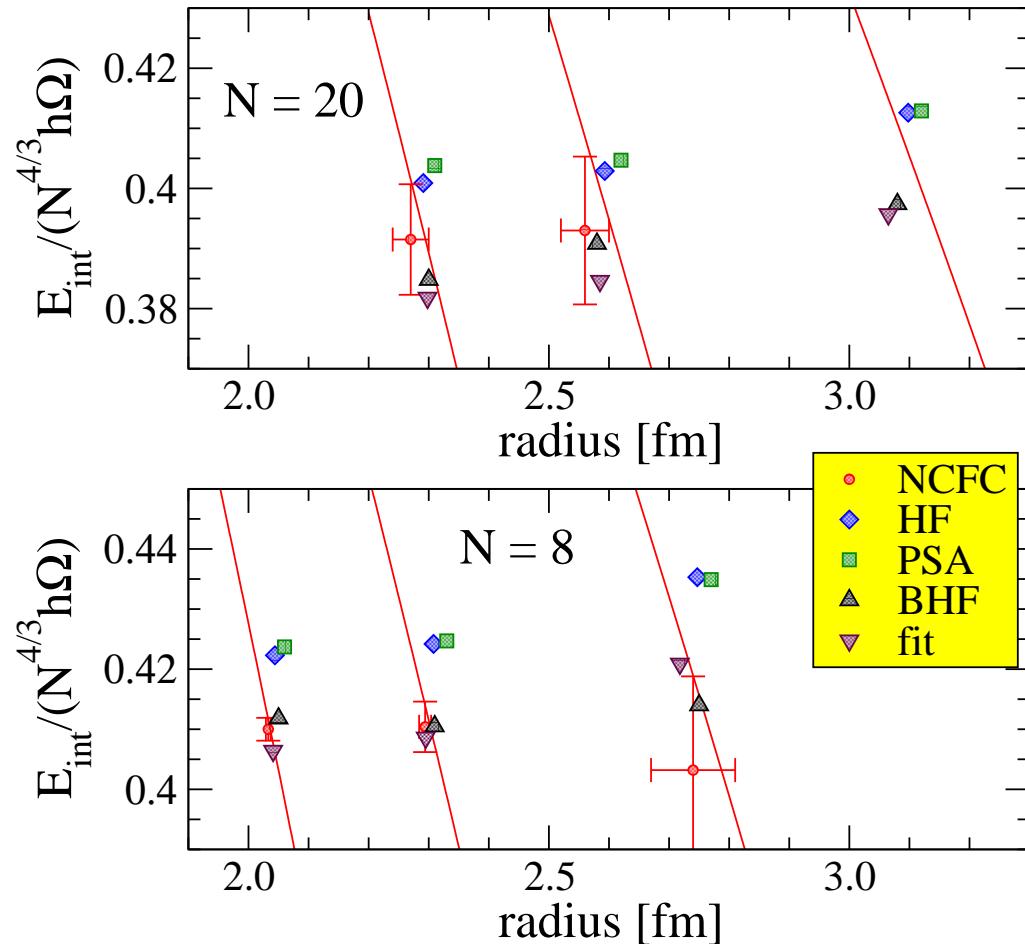
Bogner, Kortelainen, Furnstahl, Stoistov, Vary, PM, work in progress



- Neither HF nor DME/PSA HF in agreement with NCFC
- DME BHF close to NCFC results often within error estimates
- Fit with volume term and surface term can reproduce NCFC data

# Internal energy vs. radius

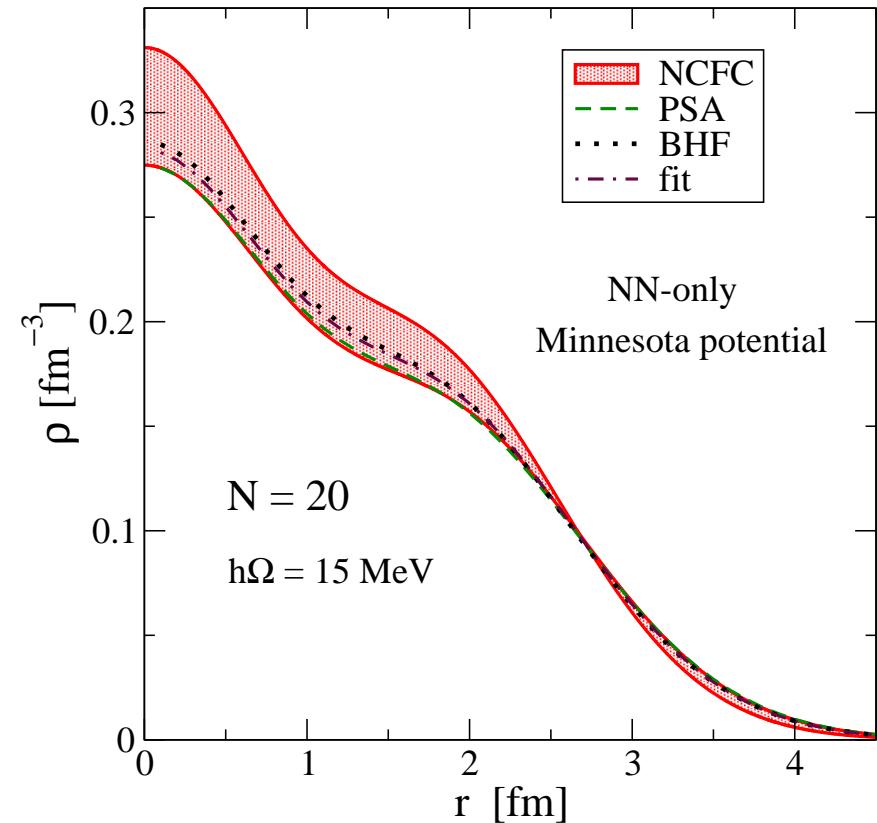
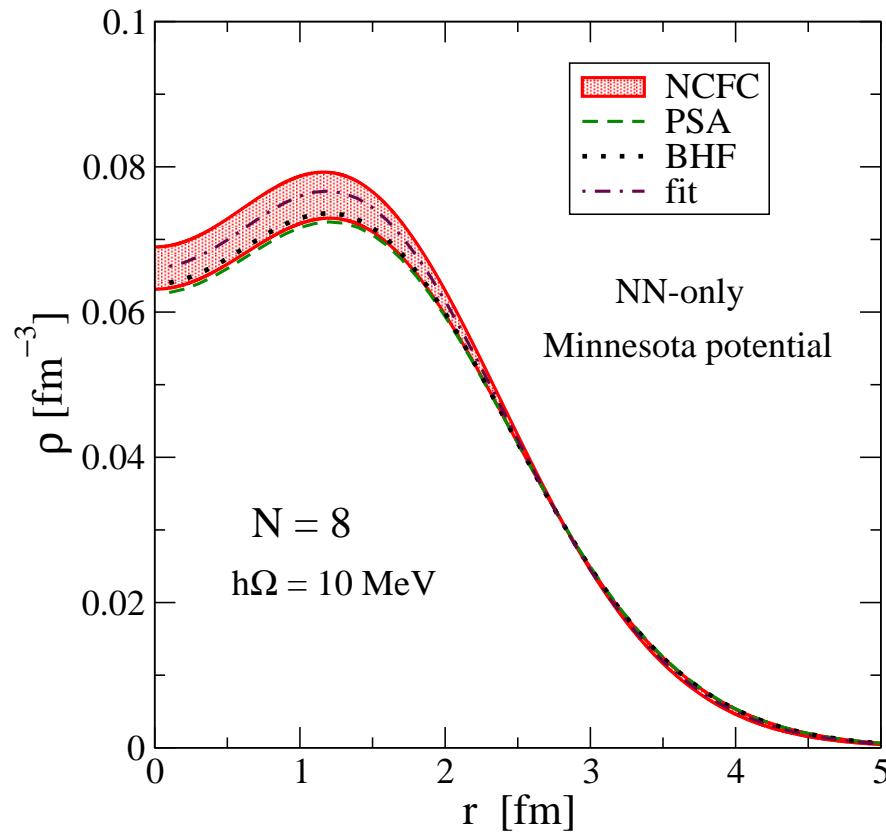
Variational upper bound on combination  $E_{\text{int}} + \frac{1}{2} N m \Omega^2 r^2$



- Neither HF nor DME/PSA HF within variational bound
- DME BHF close to NCFC results often within error estimates and within bounds
- Fit with volume term and surface term can reproduce NCFC data

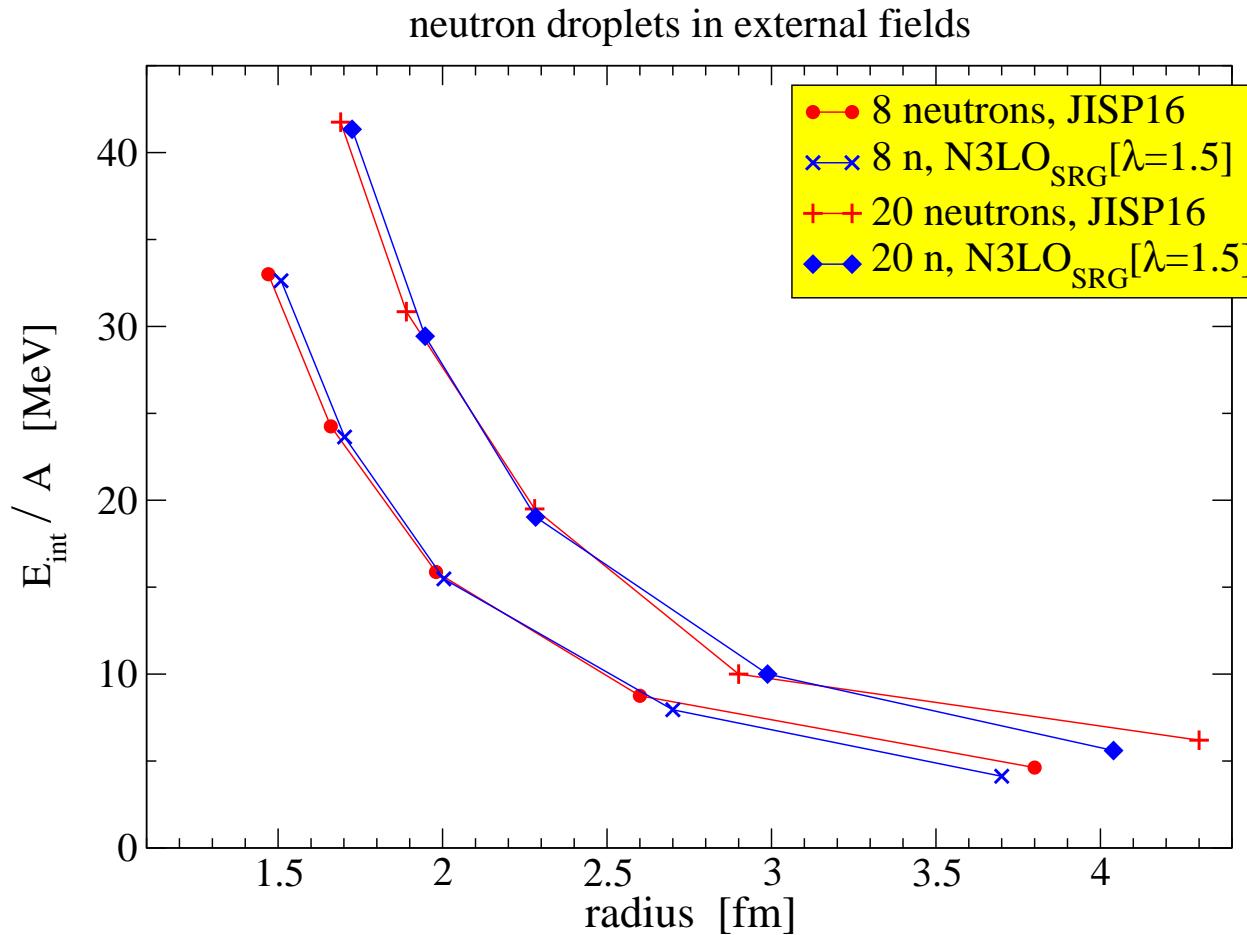
# Minnesota potential – density

Bogner, Kortelainen, Furnstahl, Stoistov, Vary, PM, work in progress



- Agreement between DME/DFT calculations and NCFC
- Density profile dominated by H.O. external field modified by NN interaction

## $E_{int}$ vs. radius – more realistic potentials



Results virtually identical for  $N3LO(\lambda = 1.5)$  and JISP16  
despite different results for nuclei (e.g. 186 vs. 144 MeV for  $^{16}\text{O}$ )  
presented at JUSTIPEN–EFES–Hokudai–UNEDF workshop, 2008, Hokkaido, Japan

## Conclusions

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- MFDn: Scalable and load-balanced CI code for nuclear structure
  - new version under development, has run on 200k+ cores on Jaguar (ORNL) enabling largest model-space calculations
- Significant benefits from collaboration between nuclear physicists, applied mathematicians, and computer scientists
- JISP16, nonlocal phenomenological 2-body interaction
  - good description of light nuclei (more than just energies!)
  - rapid convergence
  - prediction of new isotope,  $^{14}\text{F}$
- Understanding of the anomalously large lifetime of  $^{14}\text{C}$
- Validation of DFT/DME calculations (in progress)
- Main challenge: construction and diagonalization of extremely large ( $D > 1$  billion) sparse matrices
- Future developments: Taming the scale explosion