

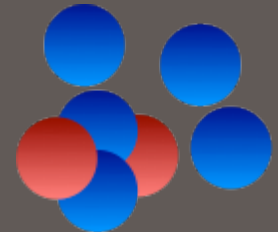
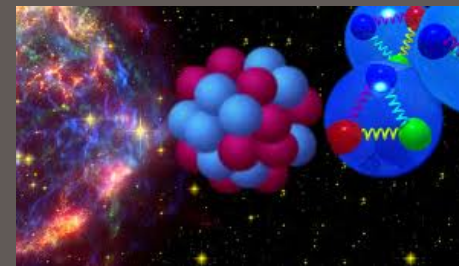
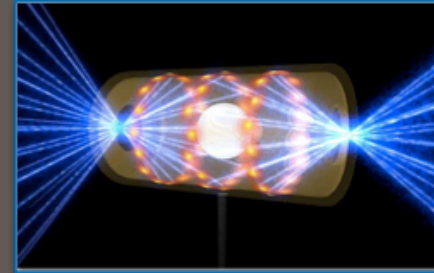
# Nuclear structure and reaction calculations with chiral three-nucleon interactions

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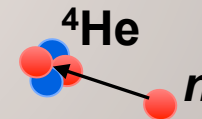
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- Chiral 3N force
- No-core shell model
- Transformations of the 3N matrix elements in the HO basis
- Some results for bound states
- Including the continuum with the resonating group method
  - NCSM/RGM
    - $n$ - $^4\text{He}$  with the chiral 3N
  - NCSMC
- Outlook



# Chiral Effective Field Theory

- **First principles for Nuclear Physics:**

## QCD

- Non-perturbative at low energies
- Lattice QCD in the future

- ***For now a good place to start:***

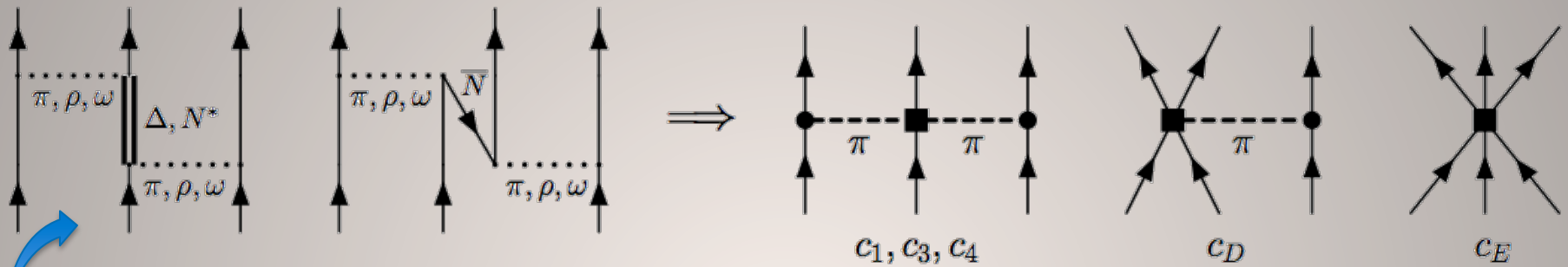
- **Inter-nucleon forces from chiral effective field theory**

- Based on the symmetries of QCD
  - Chiral symmetry of QCD ( $m_u \approx m_d \approx 0$ ), spontaneously broken with pion as the Goldstone boson
  - Degrees of freedom: nucleons + pions
- Systematic low-momentum expansion to a given order ( $Q/\Lambda_\chi$ )
- Hierarchy
- Consistency
- Low energy constants (LEC)
  - Fitted to data
  - Can be calculated by lattice QCD



$\Lambda_\chi \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$  :  
Chiral symmetry breaking scale

# Three-nucleon forces why?



Eliminating degrees of freedom leads to three-body forces.

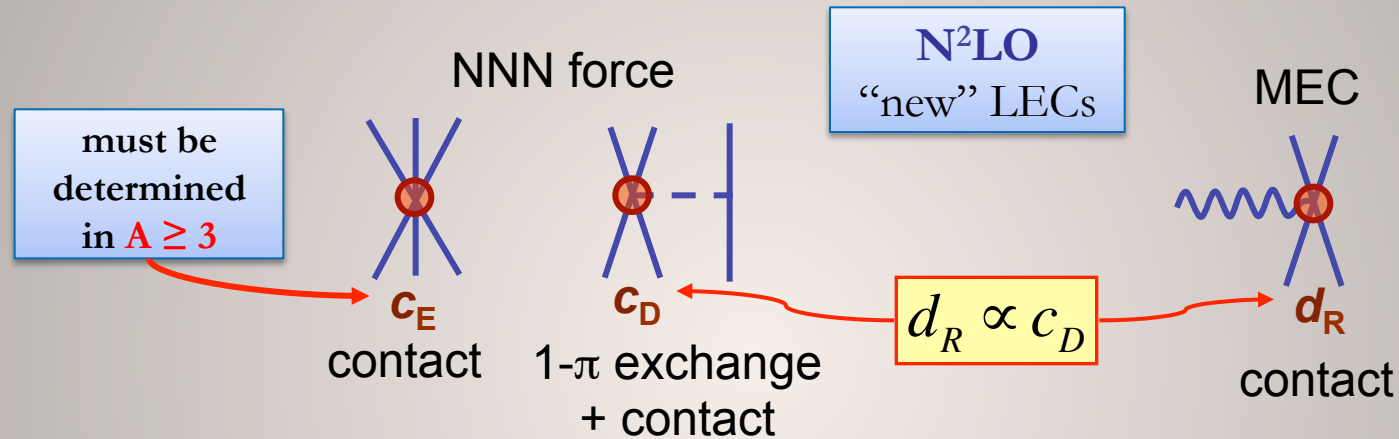
Two-pion exchange with **virtual  $\Delta$  excitation** – Fujita Miyazawa (1957)

- Leading three-nucleon force terms
  - Long-range two-pion exchange
  - Medium-range one-pion exchange + two-nucleon contact
  - Short range three-nucleon contact

*The question is not: Do three-body forces enter the description?  
The only question is: How large are three-body forces?*

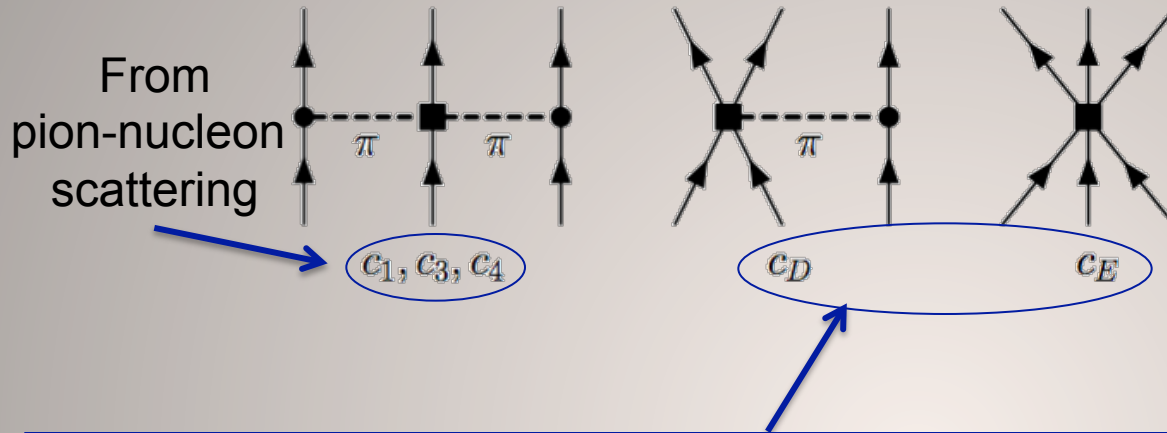


# “New” low-energy constants of chiral NNN potential from fit to three-nucleon properties

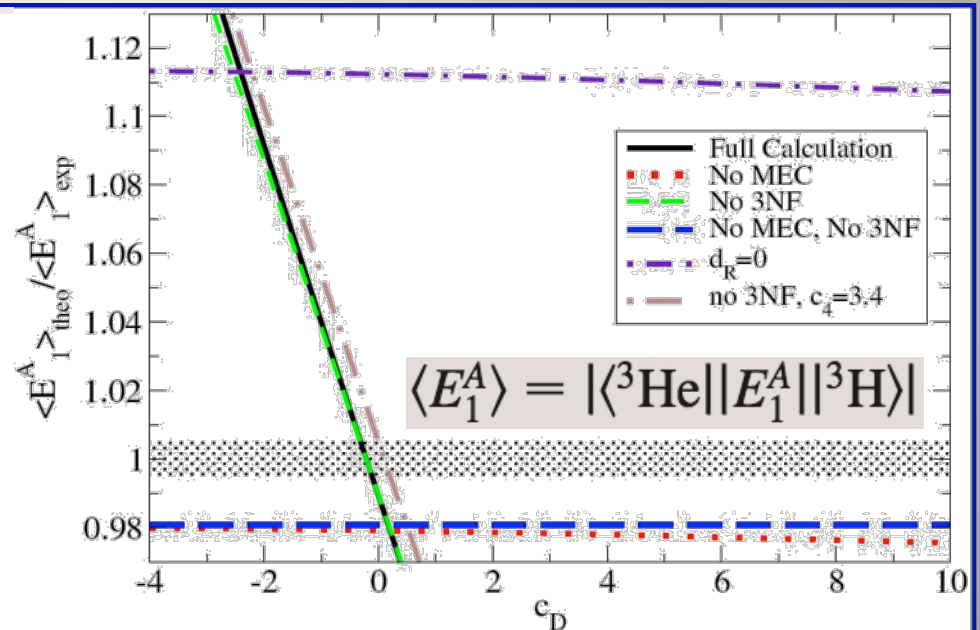
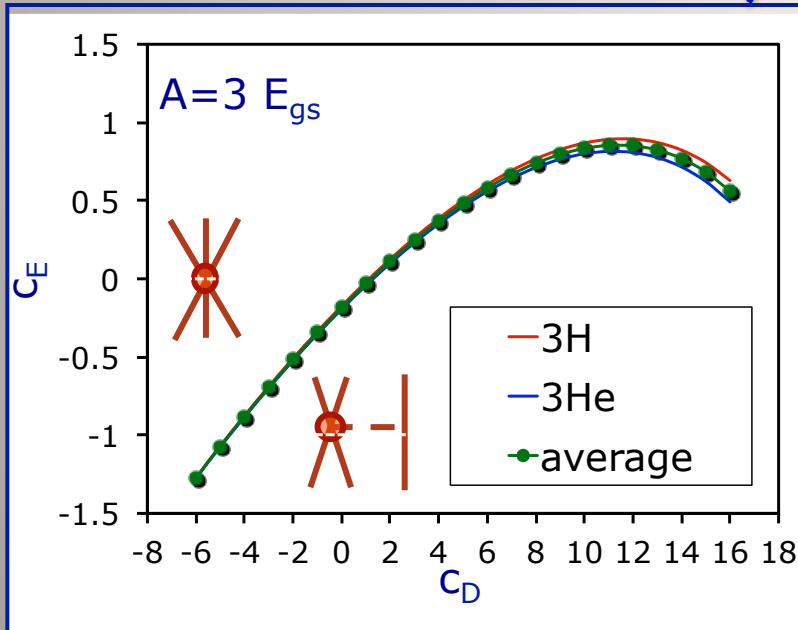


- Need two (hopefully uncorrelated) observables to fit the “new” low-energy constants. One could be the  $A=3$  binding energy.
- There is a link between the medium-range ( $c_D$  term) NNN force and the meson-exchange current appearing in nuclear beta decay
  - A second observable could be the half life of tritium

# Leading terms of the chiral NNN force



*Ab initio* calculations (NCSM, in this case) are needed not only to test nuclear interaction models, but also to constrain the interaction itself

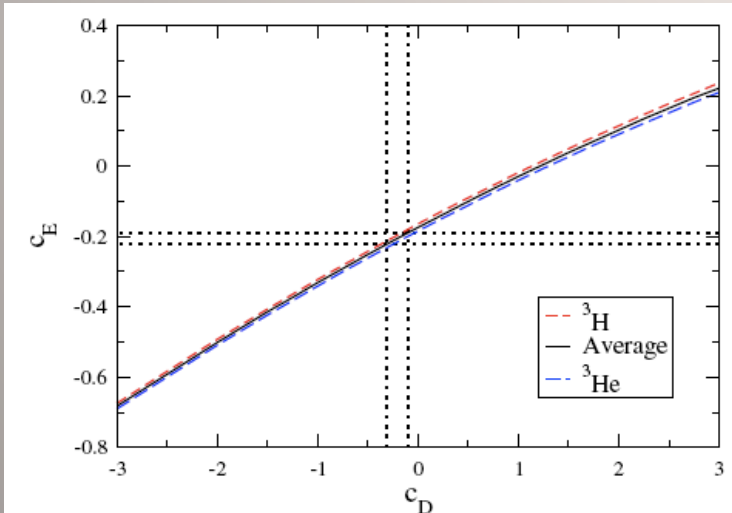
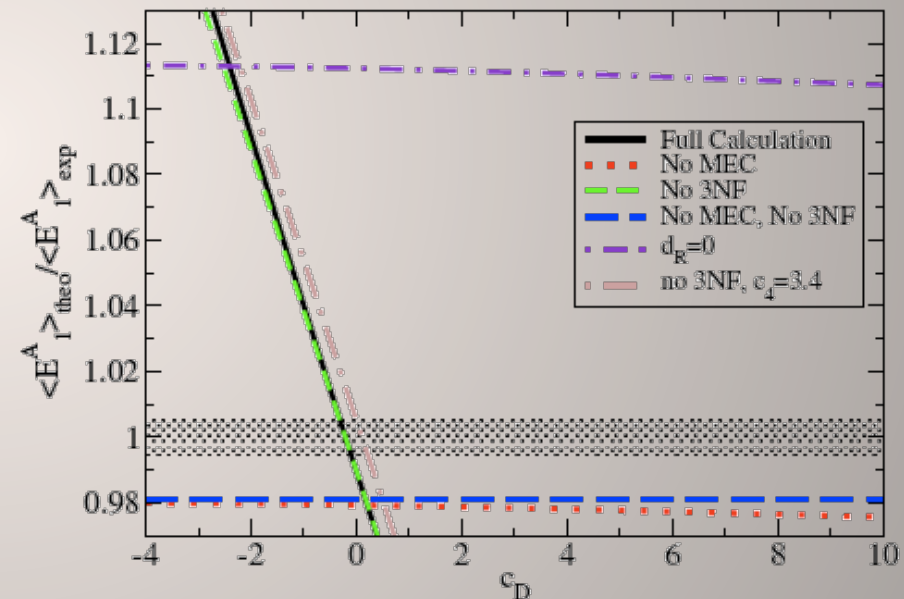
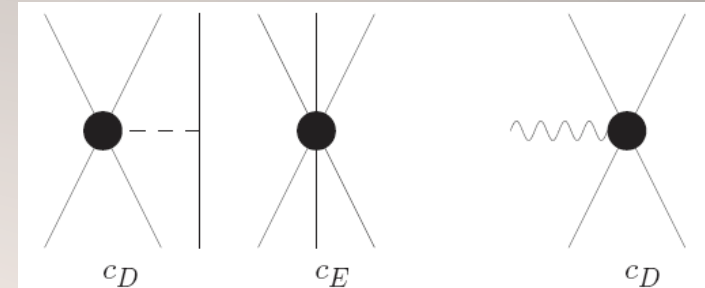


# Determination of NNN constants $c_D$ and $c_E$ from the triton binding energy and the half life

- **Chiral EFT:**  $c_D$  also in the two-nucleon contact vertex with an external probe
- Calculate  $\langle E_1^A \rangle = |\langle {}^3\text{He} || E_1^A || {}^3\text{H} \rangle|$ 
  - Leading order GT
  - N<sup>2</sup>LO: one-pion exchange plus contact

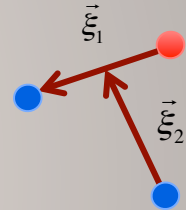
- **A=3 binding energy constraint:**

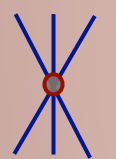
$$c_D = -0.2 \pm 0.1 \quad c_E = -0.205 \pm 0.015$$



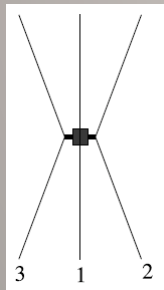
# Local chiral N<sup>2</sup>LO NNN interaction

- Regulator depending on momentum transfer  $\Rightarrow$  local NNN interaction in coordinate space
  - Simpler to use, more like TM', UIX, IL
  - Different space-tensor structure (compared to regulation with nucleon momenta)
  - Example:** Even the simplest, the contact term, gets involved...





$$\begin{aligned}
 W_1^{\text{cont}} &= E \vec{\tau}_2 \cdot \vec{\tau}_3 \delta(\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2) \delta(\vec{r}_3 - \vec{r}_1) \\
 &= E \vec{\tau}_2 \cdot \vec{\tau}_3 \frac{1}{(2\pi)^6} \frac{1}{(\sqrt{3})^3} \int d\vec{\pi}_1 d\vec{\pi}_2 d\vec{\pi}'_1 d\vec{\pi}'_2 |\vec{\pi}_1 \vec{\pi}_2\rangle \langle \vec{\pi}'_1 \vec{\pi}'_2|
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 W_1^{\text{cont},Q} &= E \vec{\tau}_2 \cdot \vec{\tau}_3 \frac{1}{(2\pi)^6} \frac{1}{(\sqrt{3})^3} \int d\vec{\pi}_1 d\vec{\pi}_2 d\vec{\pi}'_1 d\vec{\pi}'_2 |\vec{\pi}_1 \vec{\pi}_2\rangle F(\vec{Q}^2; \Lambda) F(\vec{Q}'^2; \Lambda) \langle \vec{\pi}'_1 \vec{\pi}'_2| \\
 &= E \vec{\tau}_2 \cdot \vec{\tau}_3 \int d\vec{\xi}_1 d\vec{\xi}_2 |\vec{\xi}_1 \vec{\xi}_2\rangle Z_0(\sqrt{2}\xi_1; \Lambda) Z_0(|\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\vec{\xi}_1 + \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}\vec{\xi}_2|; \Lambda) \langle \vec{\xi}_1 \vec{\xi}_2|
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{\xi}_1 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2) \\
 \vec{\xi}_2 &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \left( \frac{1}{2}(\vec{r}_1 + \vec{r}_2) - \vec{r}_3 \right) \\
 \vec{\pi}_1 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\vec{p}_1 - \vec{p}_2) \\
 \vec{\pi}_2 &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \left( \frac{1}{2}(\vec{p}_1 + \vec{p}_2) - \vec{p}_3 \right) \\
 \vec{Q} &= \vec{p}_2 - \vec{p}_2 = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\vec{\pi}'_1 - \vec{\pi}_1) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(\vec{\pi}'_2 - \vec{\pi}_2) \\
 \vec{Q}' &= \vec{p}_3 - \vec{p}_3 = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}(\vec{\pi}_2 - \vec{\pi}'_2) \\
 Z_0(r; \Lambda) &= \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int dq q^2 j_0(qr) F(q^2; \Lambda) \\
 F(q^2; \Lambda) &= \exp[-q^4/\Lambda^4]
 \end{aligned}$$

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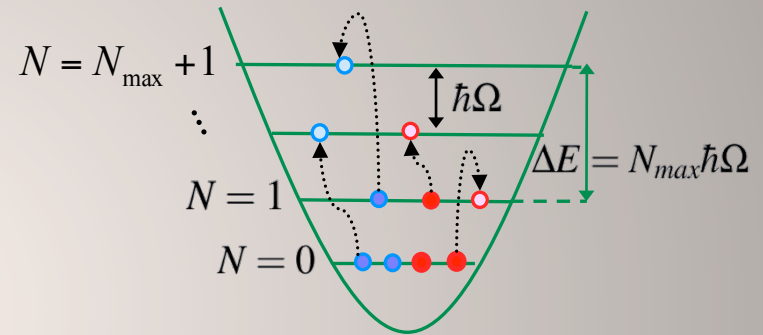
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## Local three-nucleon interaction from chiral effective field theory

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# The *ab initio* no-core shell model (NCSM)

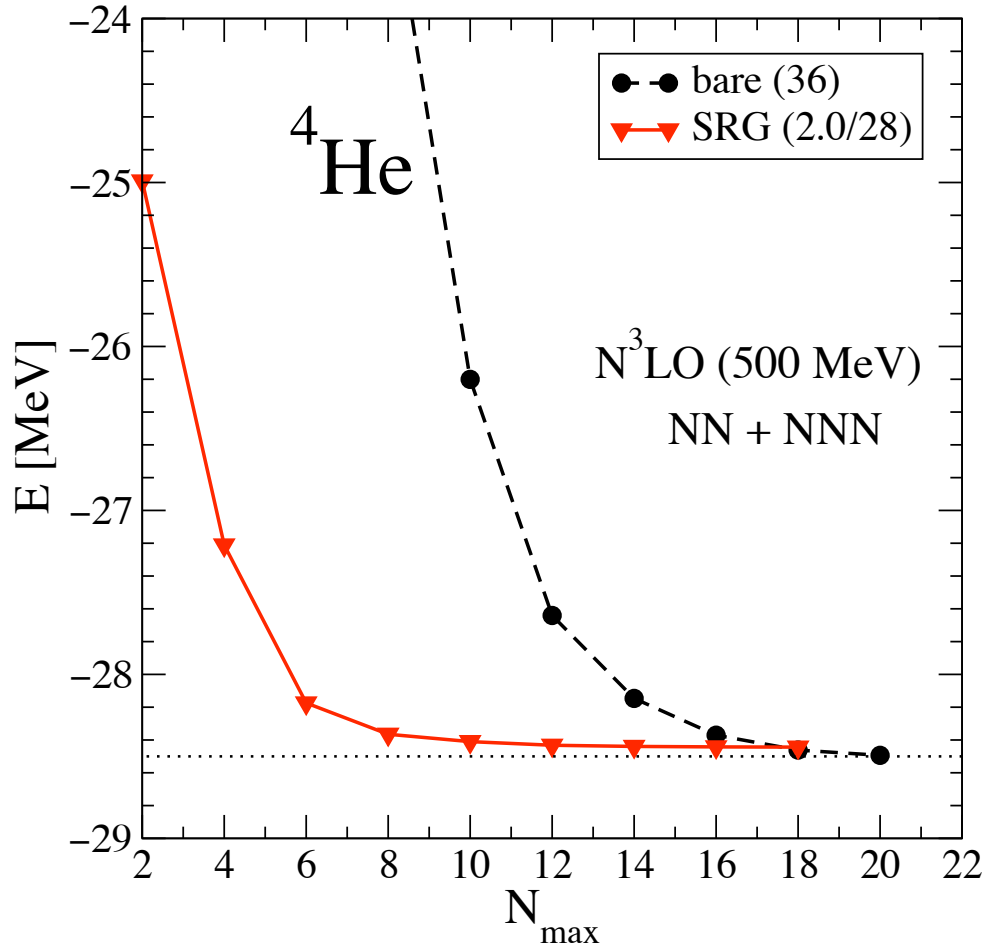
- The NCSM is a technique for the solution of the  $A$ -nucleon bound-state problem
- Realistic nuclear Hamiltonian
  - High-precision nucleon-nucleon potentials
  - Three-nucleon interactions
- Finite harmonic oscillator (HO) basis
  - $A$ -nucleon HO basis states
  - complete  $N_{\max} \hbar\Omega$  model space
- **Effective interaction tailored to model-space truncation** for NN(+NNN) potentials
  - Okubo-Lee-Suzuki unitary transformation
- Or a **sequence of unitary transformations in momentum space**:
  - Similarity-Renormalization-Group (SRG) evolved NN(+NNN) potential



$$\Psi^A = \sum_{N=0}^{N_{\max}} \sum_i c_{Ni} \Phi_{Ni}^A$$

**Convergence to exact solution with increasing  $N_{\max}$  for bound states. No coupling to continuum.**

# $^4\text{He}$ from chiral EFT interactions: g.s. energy convergence



## Chiral $N^3\text{LO}$ NN plus $N^2\text{LO}$ NNN potential

- Bare interaction (black line)
  - Strong short-range correlations
    - Large basis needed
- SRG evolved effective interaction (red line)
  - Unitary transformation

$$H_\alpha = U_\alpha H U_\alpha^\dagger \Rightarrow \frac{dH_\alpha}{d\alpha} = [[T, H_\alpha], H_\alpha] \quad (\alpha = 1/\lambda^4)$$

- Two- plus *three*-body components, *four*-body omitted
- Softens the interaction
  - Smaller basis sufficient

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Evolution of Nuclear Many-Body Forces with the Similarity Renormalization Group

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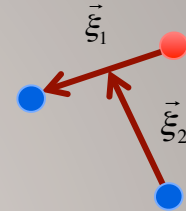
$A=3$  binding energy and half life constraint  
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# 3N interaction matrix elements in HO basis

- Jacobi coordinate three-nucleon basis

$$|NiJMTM_T\rangle = \sum \langle (nlsjt, \mathcal{N}\mathcal{L}\frac{1}{2}\mathcal{J}\frac{1}{2}) || NiJT \rangle | (nlsjt, \mathcal{N}\mathcal{L}\frac{1}{2}\mathcal{J}\frac{1}{2}) JMTM_T \rangle.$$



- 3N matrix elements in the three-nucleon Slater-determinant basis

$$|(nljm\frac{1}{2}m_t)_{(ijl)}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3!}} \begin{vmatrix} \varphi_i(\vec{r}_1) & \varphi_i(\vec{r}_2) & \varphi_i(\vec{r}_3) \\ \varphi_j(\vec{r}_1) & \varphi_j(\vec{r}_2) & \varphi_j(\vec{r}_3) \\ \varphi_l(\vec{r}_1) & \varphi_l(\vec{r}_2) & \varphi_l(\vec{r}_3) \end{vmatrix} = a_i^+ a_j^+ a_l^+ |0\rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle (nl\frac{1}{2}jm_j\frac{1}{2}m_t)_{(abc)} | V_{3\text{eff},123} | (nl\frac{1}{2}jm_j\frac{1}{2}m_t)_{(def)} \rangle \\ & = \sum \langle (nl\frac{1}{2}jm_j\frac{1}{2}m_t)_{(abc)} | NiJMTM_T; N_{\text{c.m.}} L_{\text{c.m.}} M_{\text{c.m.}} \rangle \langle NiJT | V_{3\text{eff},123} | N' i' JT \rangle \langle N' i' JMTM_T; N_{\text{c.m.}} L_{\text{c.m.}} M_{\text{c.m.}} | (nl\frac{1}{2}jm_j\frac{1}{2}m_t)_{(def)} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

# 3N interaction matrix elements in HO basis

- Transformation

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \langle (nl\frac{1}{2}jm\frac{1}{2}m_t)_{(abc)} | NiJMTM_T; N_{c.m.}L_{c.m.}M_{c.m.} \rangle \\
 &= \delta_{2n_a+l_a+2n_b+l_b+2n_c+l_c, N+2N_{c.m.}+L_{c.m.}} \delta_{m_{j_a}+m_{j_b}+m_{j_c}, M+M_{c.m.}} \delta_{m_{t_a}+m_{t_b}+m_{t_c}, M_T} \\
 & \times \sqrt{6} \sum \langle (nlsjt, \mathcal{NL}\frac{1}{2}\mathcal{J}\frac{1}{2}) || NiJT \rangle_{\frac{1}{2}} (1 - (-1)^{l+s+t}) (l_a m_a \frac{1}{2} m_s | j_a m_{j_a}) (l_b m_b \frac{1}{2} m_s | j_b m_{j_b}) (l_c m_c \frac{1}{2} m_s | j_c m_{j_c}) \\
 & \times (\frac{1}{2} m_{t_a} \frac{1}{2} m_{t_b} | t m_t) (t m_t \frac{1}{2} m_{t_c} | TM_T) (\frac{1}{2} m_{s_a} \frac{1}{2} m_{s_b} | s m_s) (l_b m_b l_a m_a | \Lambda m_\Lambda) (L_{12} M_{12} l m_l | \Lambda m_\Lambda) (l_c m_c L_{12} M_{12} | \lambda m_\lambda) \\
 & \times (L_{c.m.} M_{c.m.} \mathcal{LM}_L | \lambda m_\lambda) (\mathcal{LM}_L \frac{1}{2} m_s | \mathcal{JM}_J) (l m_l s m_s | j m_j) (j m_j \mathcal{JM}_J | JM) \\
 & \times \langle n_c l_c N_{12} L_{12} \lambda | N_{c.m.} L_{c.m.} \mathcal{NL} \lambda \rangle_{\frac{1}{2}} \langle n_b l_b n_a l_a \Lambda | N_{12} L_{12} n l \Lambda \rangle_1,
 \end{aligned}$$

- Implemented in the  $p$ -shell NCSM  $N_{\max}=4$  ( $N_{\max}=6$  for  ${}^6\text{Li}$ ) calculations
  - $E3\text{Max}=\max(2n_a+l_a+2n_b+l_b+2n_c+l_c)=8$

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- Introduce an intermediate  $J$ -coupling

$$\{|N_{CM}L_{CM}\rangle|NiJT\rangle\}^{\mathcal{F}\mathcal{M}} \quad \{ \{|a\rangle|b\rangle\}^{J_{12}} |c\rangle \}^{\mathcal{F}\mathcal{M}}$$

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$$\langle abc|N_{CM}L_{CM}M_{CM};NiJM\rangle = \sum (j_a m_a j_b m_b | J_{ab} M_{ab}) (J_{ab} M_{ab} j_c m_c | \mathcal{F}\mathcal{M}) \langle n_{12} l_{12} s_{12} j_{12}; n_3 l_3 I_3 | NiJ \rangle \langle ((ab)J_{ab}, c) \mathcal{F} | (N_{CM}L_{CM}, \alpha) \mathcal{F} \rangle$$

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$$T \equiv \langle ((ab)J_{ab}, c) \mathcal{F} | (N_{CM}L_{CM}, \alpha) \mathcal{F} \rangle$$

- Implemented in the  $p$ -shell NCSM  $N_{\max}=8$  calculations
  - E3Max=
 
$$\max(2n_a+l_a+2n_b+l_b+2n_c+l_c)=11$$
- The main problem: Huge number of  $3N$  matrix elements

$$\begin{aligned}
 T = & \sum_{\mathcal{L}_{12} S_3 L_3 L_{12} \Lambda} \sqrt{\hat{j}_{12} \hat{I}_3 \hat{L}_3 \hat{S}_3} \begin{Bmatrix} l_{12} & l_3 & L_3 \\ s_{12} & 1/2 & S_3 \\ j_{12} & I_3 & J \end{Bmatrix} \\
 & \times (-)^{L_3+S_3+l_{c.m.}+\mathcal{J}} \sqrt{\hat{\mathcal{L}} \hat{\mathcal{J}}} \begin{Bmatrix} l_{c.m.} & L_3 & \mathcal{L} \\ S_3 & \mathcal{J} & J \end{Bmatrix} \sqrt{\hat{L}_{12} \hat{S}_{12} \hat{j}_a \hat{j}_b} \\
 & \times \begin{Bmatrix} l_a & l_b & L_{12} \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & s_{12} \\ j_a & j_b & J_{12} \end{Bmatrix} \sqrt{\hat{j}_{12} \hat{j}_c \hat{\mathcal{L}} \hat{S}_3} \begin{Bmatrix} L_{12} & s_{12} & J_{12} \\ l_c & 1/2 & j_c \\ \mathcal{L} & S_3 & \mathcal{J} \end{Bmatrix} \\
 & \times (-)^{l_{12}+l_3-L_3} (-)^{l_{c.m.}+l_3+l_{12}+\mathcal{L}} \sqrt{\hat{\Lambda} \hat{L}_3} \begin{Bmatrix} l_{c.m.} & l_3 & \Lambda \\ l_{12} & \mathcal{L} & L_3 \end{Bmatrix} \\
 & \times (-)^{\mathcal{L}_{12}+l_c-\Lambda} (-)^{l_c+L_{12}-\mathcal{L}} (-)^{l_c+l_{12}+L_{12}+\mathcal{L}} \sqrt{\hat{\Lambda} \hat{L}_{12}} \\
 & \times \begin{Bmatrix} l_c & \mathcal{L}_{12} & \Lambda \\ l_{12} & \mathcal{L} & L_{12} \end{Bmatrix} [n_{c.m.} l_{c.m.}, n_3 l_3 : \Lambda; N_{12} \mathcal{L}_{12}, n_c l_c : \Lambda]_d \\
 & \times [N_{12} \mathcal{L}_{12}, n_{12} l_{12} : L_{12}; n_a l_a, n_b l_b : L_{12}]_d
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- New developments (R. Roth *et al.*):
  - Store 3N matrix elements in the  $J$ -coupled basis
  - Uncouple on the fly
  - Use a smart ordering to facilitate efficient uncoupling  
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- Implemented up to E3Max=
  - $\max(2n_a + l_a + 2n_b + l_b + 2n_c + l_c) = 16$
  - Good for  $p$ -shell NCSM  
 $N_{\max} = 13$  calculations

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 & \times (-)^{l_{12} + l_3 - L_3} (-)^{l_{c.m.} + l_3 + l_{12} + \mathcal{L}} \sqrt{\hat{\Lambda} \hat{L}_3} \begin{Bmatrix} l_{c.m.} & l_3 & \Lambda \\ l_{12} & \mathcal{L} & L_3 \end{Bmatrix} \\
 & \times (-)^{\mathcal{L}_{12} + l_c - \Lambda} (-)^{l_c + L_{12} - \mathcal{L}} (-)^{l_c + l_{12} + L_{12} + \mathcal{L}} \sqrt{\hat{\Lambda} \hat{L}_{12}} \\
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- However, **E3Max=16 not sufficient** for medium mass nuclei and perhaps also not enough for the reactions and scattering
- Further improvements needed, e.g.:
  - Three sums in  $T$  can be performed, with two 9j and three 6j coefficients replaced by a 12j and a 6j coefficient. Code speedup significant... More work needed!

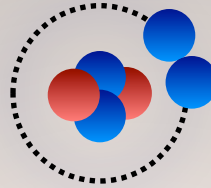
$$T = \sum_{\mathcal{L}_{12} S_3 L_3 L_{12} \mathcal{L} \Lambda} \sqrt{\hat{j}_{12} \hat{I}_3 \hat{L}_3 \hat{S}_3} \begin{Bmatrix} l_{12} & l_3 & L_3 \\ s_{12} & 1/2 & S_3 \\ j_{12} & I_3 & J \end{Bmatrix} \\ \times (-)^{L_3 + S_3 + l_{c.m.} + \mathcal{J}} \sqrt{\hat{\mathcal{L}} \hat{\mathcal{J}}} \begin{Bmatrix} l_{c.m.} & L_3 & \mathcal{L} \\ S_3 & \mathcal{J} & J \end{Bmatrix} \sqrt{\hat{L}_{12} \hat{S}_{12} \hat{j}_a \hat{j}_b} \\ \times \begin{Bmatrix} l_a & l_b & L_{12} \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & s_{12} \\ j_a & j_b & J_{12} \end{Bmatrix} \sqrt{\hat{j}_{12} \hat{j}_c \hat{\mathcal{L}} \hat{S}_3} \begin{Bmatrix} L_{12} & s_{12} & J_{12} \\ l_c & 1/2 & j_c \\ \mathcal{L} & S_3 & \mathcal{J} \end{Bmatrix} \\ \times (-)^{l_{12} + l_3 - L_3} (-)^{l_{c.m.} + l_3 + l_{12} + \mathcal{L}} \sqrt{\hat{\Lambda} \hat{L}_3} \begin{Bmatrix} l_{c.m.} & l_3 & \Lambda \\ l_{12} & \mathcal{L} & L_3 \end{Bmatrix} \\ \times (-)^{\mathcal{L}_{12} + l_c - \Lambda} (-)^{l_c + L_{12} - \mathcal{L}} (-)^{l_c + l_{12} + L_{12} + \mathcal{L}} \sqrt{\hat{\Lambda} \hat{L}_{12}} \\ \times \begin{Bmatrix} l_c & \mathcal{L}_{12} & \Lambda \\ l_{12} & \mathcal{L} & L_{12} \end{Bmatrix} [n_{c.m.} l_{c.m.}, n_3 l_3 : \Lambda; N_{12} \mathcal{L}_{12}, n_c l_c : \Lambda]_d \\ \times [N_{12} \mathcal{L}_{12}, n_{12} l_{12} : L_{12}; n_a l_a, n_b l_b : L_{12}]_d$$

# NNN interaction effects in neutron rich nuclei: He isotopes

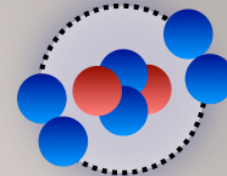
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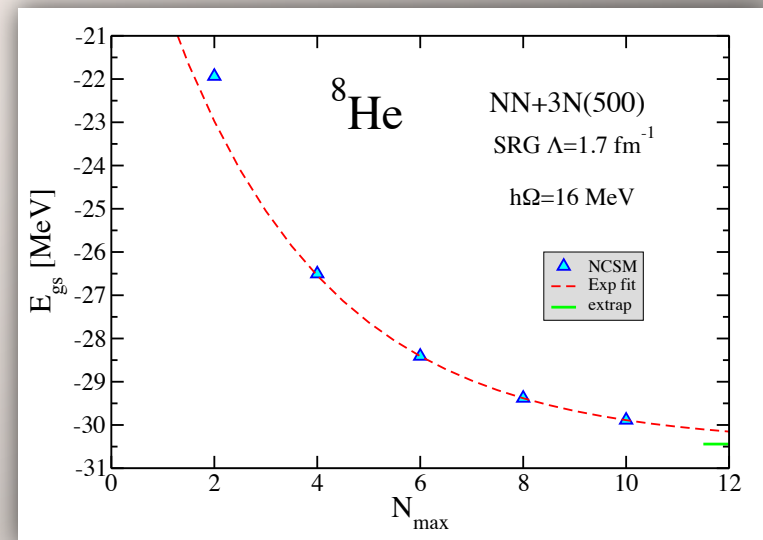
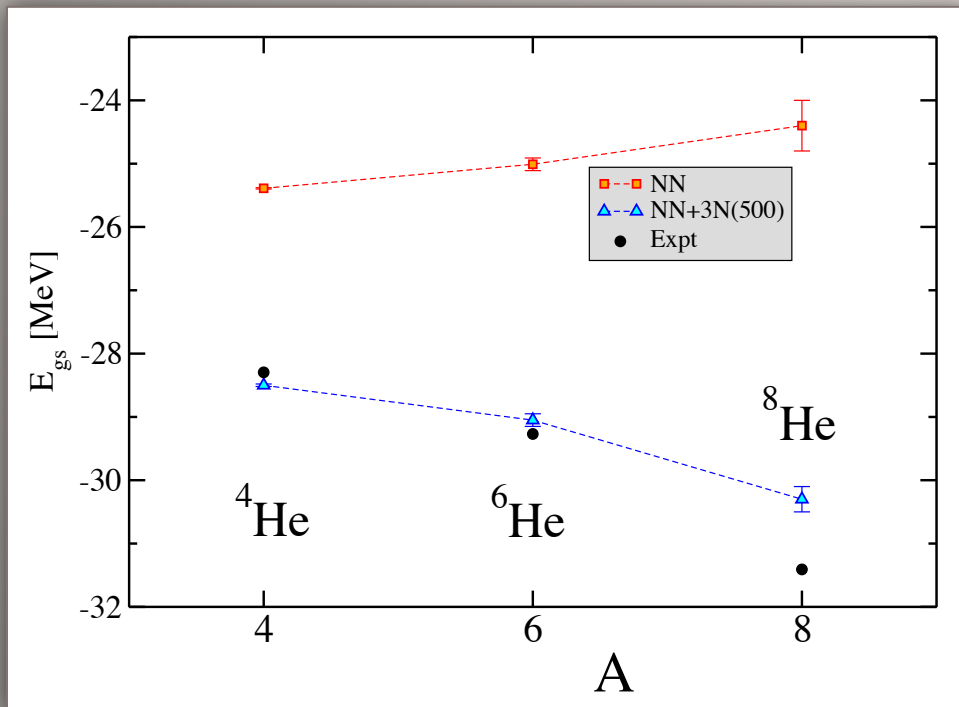
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$^8\text{He}$



- $^6\text{He}$  and  $^8\text{He}$  with SRG-evolved chiral  $\text{N}^3\text{LO NN} + \text{N}^2\text{LO NNN}$ 
  - chiral  $\text{N}^3\text{LO NN}$ :  $^4\text{He}$  underbound,  $^6\text{He}$  and  $^8\text{He}$  **unbound**
  - chiral  $\text{N}^3\text{LO NN} + \text{N}^2\text{LO NNN}$ :  $^4\text{He}$  OK, both  $^6\text{He}$  and  $^8\text{He}$  **bound**



**NNN interaction important  
to bind neutron rich nuclei**



## Precision measurement of ${}^6\text{He}$ beta decay

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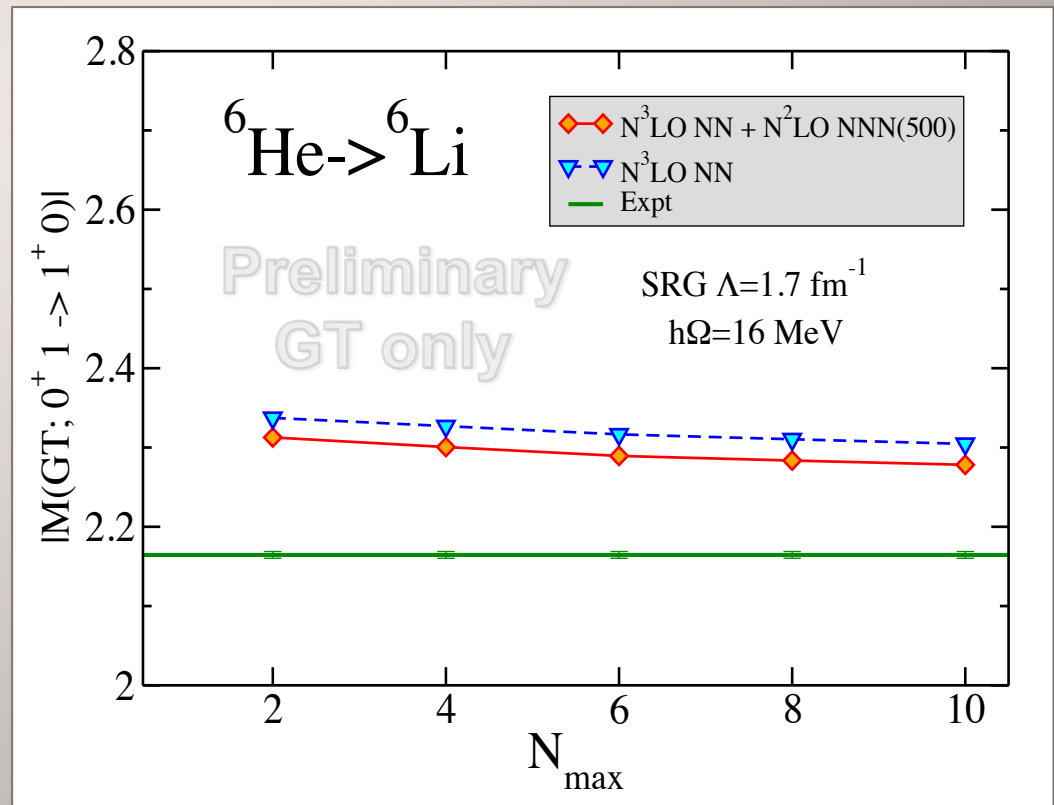


### Precision measurement of the ${}^6\text{He}$ half-life and the weak axial current in nuclei

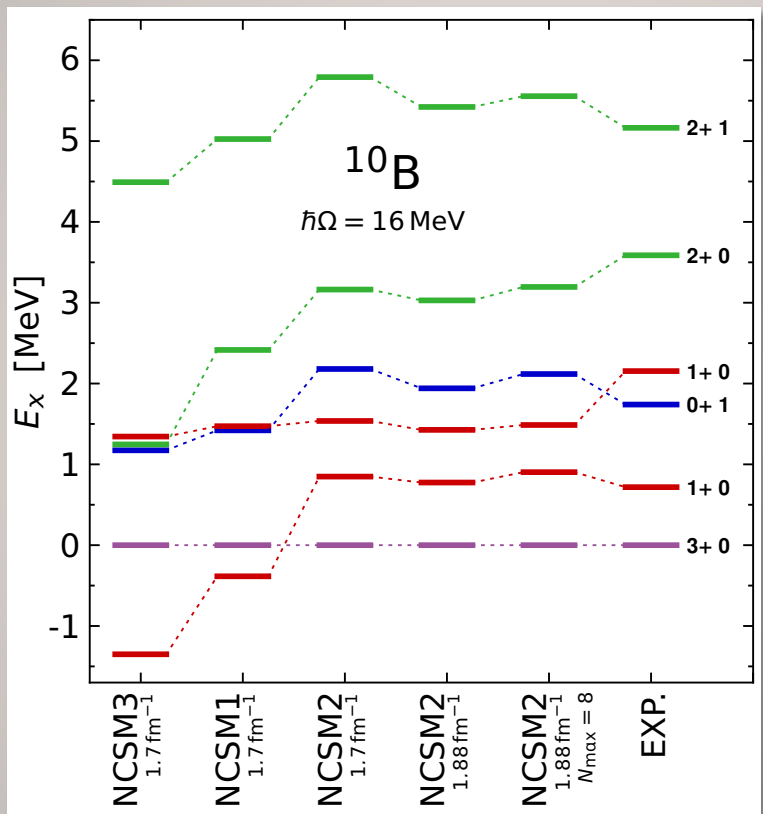
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... challenge and test  
of *ab initio* calculations,  
nuclear forces  
and currents

Improvement with  
the **NNN** interaction  
**MEC** must be included



# $^{10}\text{B}$ states very sensitive to 3N interaction

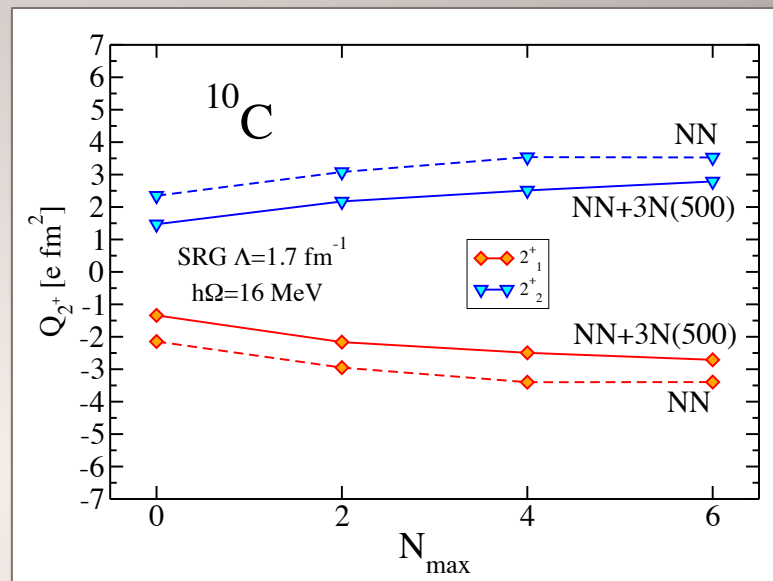
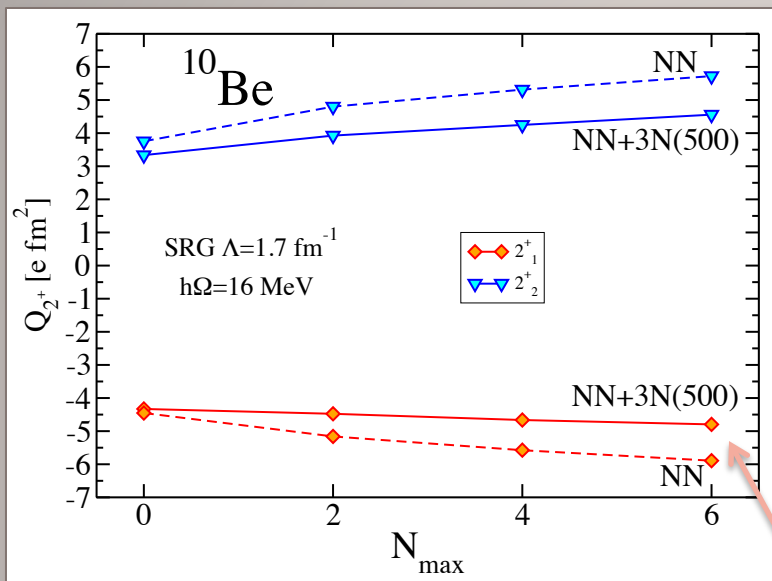


chiral NN

chiral  
NN+3N(400)

chiral  
NN+3N(500)

# Properties of low lying states if $^{10}\text{Be}$ and $^{10}\text{C}$



$Q_{2+1} < 0$  from Coulomb excitation at TRIUMF

$^{10}\text{C}$  and  $^{10}\text{Be}$   
high-precision  
Q moment  
measurement  
proposed

	NCSM: CD-Bonn 2000	GFMC: AV18+IL7	experiment
$^{10}\text{Be}$ $B(E2; 2_1^+ \rightarrow 0_1^+)$	9.8(4)	8.8(4)	9.2(3)
$^{10}\text{Be}$ $B(E2; 2_2^+ \rightarrow 0_1^+)$	0.2(2)	1.8(1)	0.11(2)
$^{10}\text{C}$ $B(E2; 2_1^+ \rightarrow 0_1^+)$	10(2)	15.3(1.4)	8.8(3)

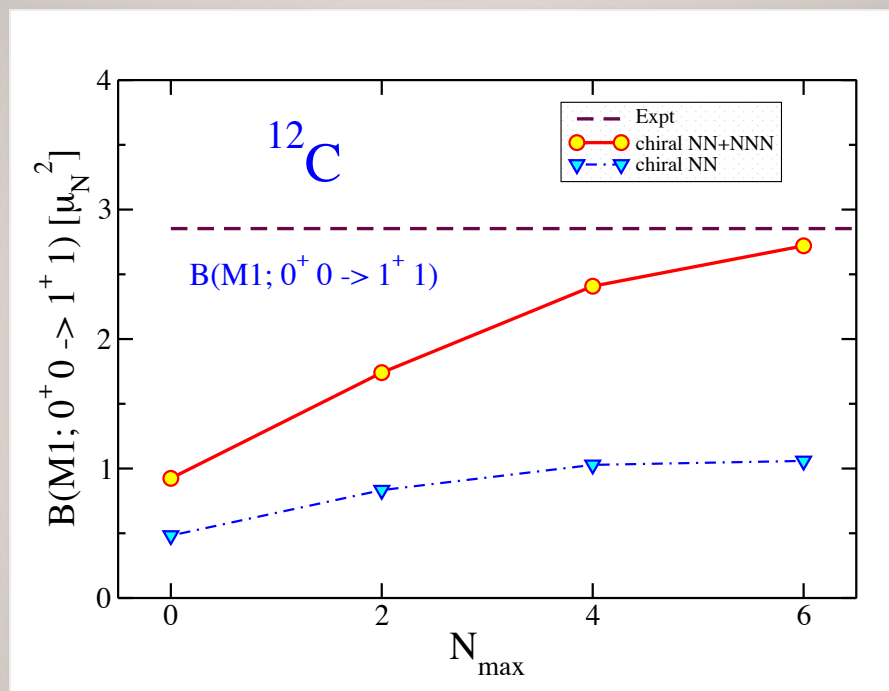
Recent  $2_1^+$  state lifetime  
measurements at ANL and  
Coulomb excitations at TRIUMF

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Reorientation-effect measurement of the  $\langle 2_1^+ || \hat{E}2 || 2_1^+ \rangle$  matrix element in  $^{10}\text{Be}$

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# M1 transitions in $^{12}\text{C}$ sensitive to 3N interaction



Chiral 3N interaction changes occupations of the  $p_{3/2}$  and  $p_{1/2}$  orbits  
 (“increases the gap” between them)

Enhances the M1 transition from the g.s. to  $1^+ 1$  state

Similar increase of the Gamow-Teller transition between g.s. of  $^{12}\text{B}$ ( $^{12}\text{N}$ ) and  $^{12}\text{C}$

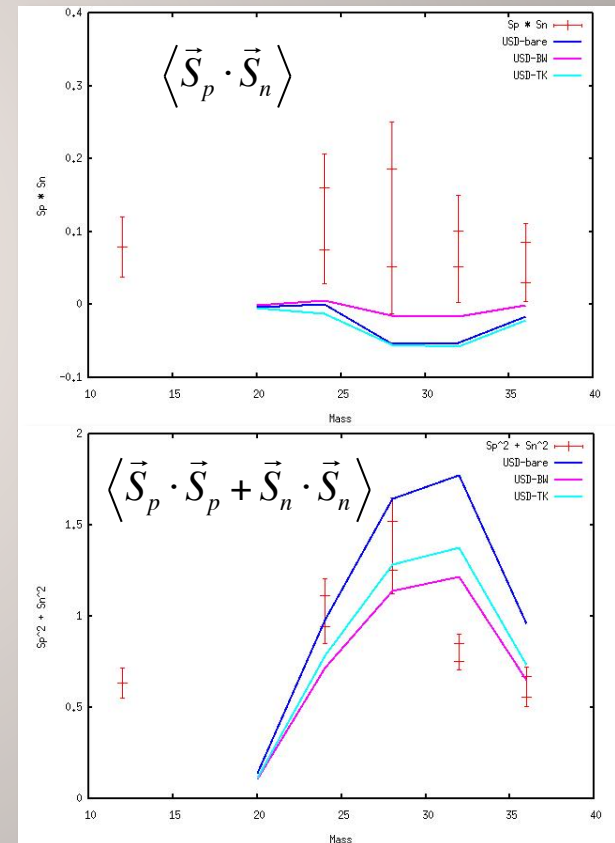
# Tensor correlations and 3N effects in ground states of $^4\text{He}$ and $^{12}\text{C}$

- Tensor correlations related to  $\langle \vec{S}_p \cdot \vec{S}_n \rangle$  and  $\langle \vec{S}_p \cdot \vec{S}_p + \vec{S}_n \cdot \vec{S}_n \rangle$

$$- \vec{S}_p = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^A (\frac{1}{2} + t_{z,i}) \vec{\sigma}_i \quad , \quad \vec{S}_n = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^A (\frac{1}{2} - t_{z,i}) \vec{\sigma}_i \quad \dots \text{ spin operators}$$

- Experiment: Atsushi Tamii *et al.*
- Ab initio* NCSM:
  - $^{12}\text{C}$   $N_{\text{max}}=6$  only

	$\langle \vec{S}_p \cdot \vec{S}_p + \vec{S}_n \cdot \vec{S}_n \rangle$	$\langle \vec{S}_p \cdot \vec{S}_n \rangle$	$\langle \vec{S}^2 \rangle$
$^4\text{He}$ Minnesota NN	0.04	-0.02	0
$^4\text{He}$ chiral NN	0.19	0.04	0.27
$^4\text{He}$ chiral NN+3N(500)	0.22	0.05	0.32
$^{12}\text{C}$ chiral NN	0.50	0.065	0.63
$^{12}\text{C}$ chiral NN+3N(400)	0.68	0.061	0.80
$^{12}\text{C}$ chiral NN+3N(500)	1.01	0.065	1.14



$^{12}\text{C}$ : chiral NN+3N(400)  
the best agreement with experiment

# "Anomalous Long Lifetime of Carbon-14"

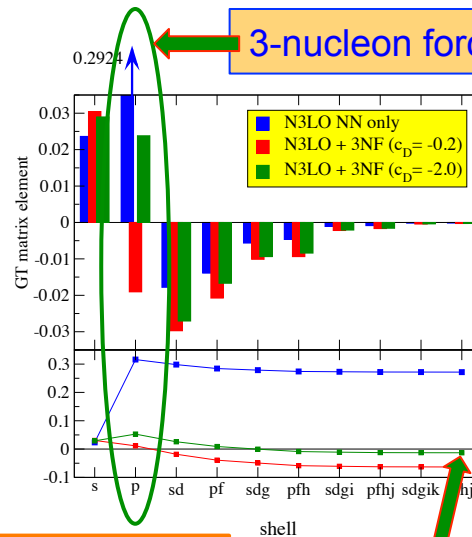
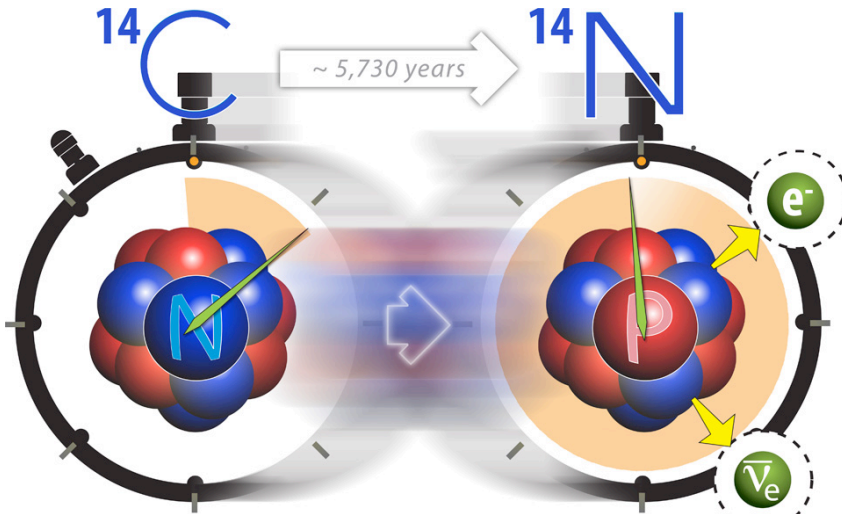


## Objectives

## Impact

- Solve the puzzle of the long but useful lifetime of  $^{14}\text{C}$
- Determine the microscopic origin of the suppressed  $\beta$ -decay rate

- Establishes a major role for strong 3-nucleon forces in nuclei
- Verifies accuracy of *ab initio* microscopic nuclear theory



3-nucleon forces suppress critical component

- Dimension of matrix solved for 8 lowest states  $\sim 1 \times 10^9$
- Solution takes  $\sim 6$  hours on 215,000 cores on Cray XT5 Jaguar at ORNL

net decay rate is very small

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### Origin of the Anomalous Long Lifetime of $^{14}\text{C}$

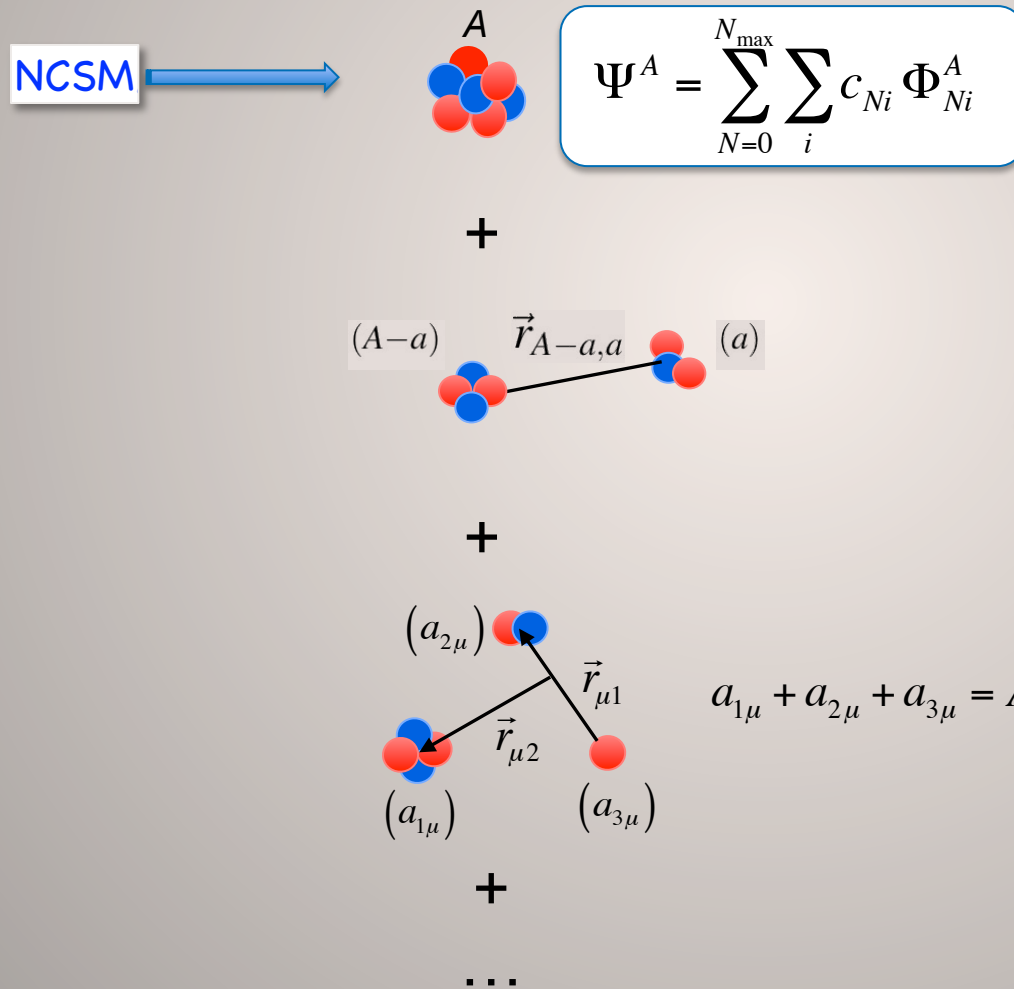
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# Extending no-core shell model beyond bound states

Include more many nucleon correlations...



...using the Resonating Group Method (RGM) ideas

# Trial function: generalized cluster wave function

$$\begin{aligned}
 \psi^{(A)} = & \sum_{\kappa} c_{\kappa} \phi_{1\kappa} \left( \left\{ \vec{\xi}_{1\kappa} \right\} \right) \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} (a_{1\kappa} = A) \\ \phi_{1\kappa} \end{array} \\
 & + \sum_{\nu} \hat{A}_{\nu} \phi_{1\nu} \left( \left\{ \vec{\xi}_{1\nu} \right\} \right) \phi_{2\nu} \left( \left\{ \vec{\xi}_{2\nu} \right\} \right) g_{\nu}(\vec{r}_{\nu}) \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} \phi_{1\nu} \quad \vec{r}_{\nu} \quad \phi_{2\nu} \\ (a_{1\nu}) \quad (a_{2\nu}) \\ a_{1\nu} + a_{2\nu} = A \end{array} \\
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 & + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

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 & + \sum_v \hat{A}_v \phi_{1v}(\{\vec{\xi}_{1v}\}) \phi_{2v}(\{\vec{\xi}_{2v}\}) g_v(\vec{r}_v) \longrightarrow \begin{array}{l} \phi_{1v} \quad \vec{r}_v \quad \phi_{2v} \\ (a_{1v}) \quad (a_{2v}) \\ a_{1v} + a_{2v} = A \end{array} \\
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 & + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

- $\phi$ : antisymmetric cluster wave functions

- $\{\xi\}$ : Translationally invariant internal coordinates

(Jacobi relative coordinates)

- These are known, they are an input

# Trial function: generalized cluster wave function

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 & + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

- $\hat{A}_{\nu}, \hat{A}_{\mu}$ : intercluster antisymmetrizers

- Antisymmetrize the wave function for exchanges of nucleons between clusters

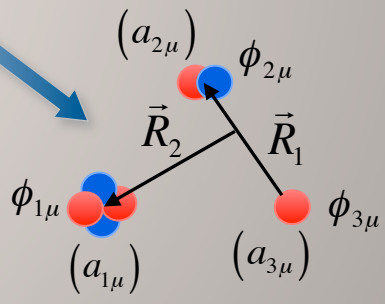
- Example:

$$a_{1\nu} = A - 1, \quad a_{2\nu} = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \hat{A}_{\nu} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{A}} \left[ 1 - \sum_{i=1}^{A-1} \hat{P}_{iA} \right]$$

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 & + \sum_{\nu} \int g_{\nu}(\vec{r}) \hat{A}_{\nu} \left[ \phi_{1\nu} \left( \left\{ \vec{\xi}_{1\nu} \right\} \right) \phi_{2\nu} \left( \left\{ \vec{\xi}_{2\nu} \right\} \right) \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_{\nu}) \right] d\vec{r} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} a_{1\nu} + a_{2\nu} = A \\ \phi_{1\nu} \quad \vec{r} \quad \phi_{2\nu} \\ (a_{1\nu}) \quad (a_{2\nu}) \end{array} \\
 & + \sum_{\mu} \iint G_{\mu}(\vec{R}_1, \vec{R}_2) \hat{A}_{\mu} \left[ \phi_{1\mu} \left( \left\{ \vec{\xi}_{1\mu} \right\} \right) \phi_{2\mu} \left( \left\{ \vec{\xi}_{2\mu} \right\} \right) \phi_{3\mu} \left( \left\{ \vec{\xi}_{3\mu} \right\} \right) \delta(\vec{R}_1 - \vec{R}_{\mu 1}) \delta(\vec{R}_2 - \vec{R}_{\mu 2}) \right] d\vec{R}_1 d\vec{R}_2 \\
 & + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

- $c$ ,  $g$  and  $G$ : discrete and continuous linear variational amplitudes
  - Unknowns to be determined



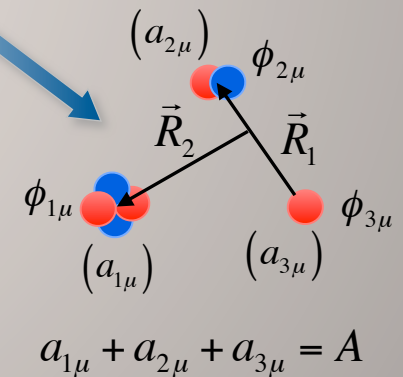
$$a_{1\mu} + a_{2\mu} + a_{3\mu} = A$$

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 & + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

- Discrete and continuous set of basis functions

- Non-orthogonal
- Over-complete

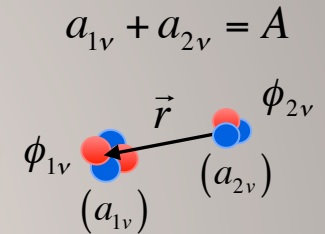




# Binary cluster wave function

$$\psi^{(A)} = \sum_{\kappa} c_{\kappa} \phi_{1\kappa} \left( \left\{ \vec{\xi}_{1\kappa} \right\} \right)$$

$$+ \sum_{\nu} \int g_{\nu}(\vec{r}) \hat{A}_{\nu} \left[ \phi_{1\nu} \left( \left\{ \vec{\xi}_{1\nu} \right\} \right) \phi_{2\nu} \left( \left\{ \vec{\xi}_{2\nu} \right\} \right) \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_{\nu}) \right] d\vec{r}$$



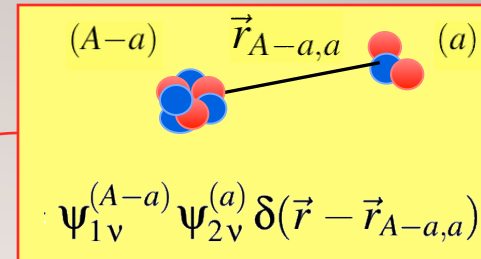
$$+ \sum_{\mu} \iint G_{\mu}(\vec{R}_1, \vec{R}_2) \hat{A}_{\mu} \left[ \phi_{1\mu} \left( \left\{ \vec{\xi}_{1\mu} \right\} \right) \phi_{2\mu} \left( \left\{ \vec{\xi}_{2\mu} \right\} \right) \phi_{3\mu} \left( \left\{ \vec{\xi}_{3\mu} \right\} \right) \delta(\vec{R}_1 - \vec{R}_{\mu 1}) \delta(\vec{R}_2 - \vec{R}_{\mu 2}) \right] d\vec{R}_1 d\vec{R}_2$$

+ ...

- In practice: function space limited by using relatively simple forms of  $\Psi$  chosen according to physical intuition and energetical arguments
  - Most common: expansion over binary-cluster basis

# The *ab initio* NCSM/RGM in a snapshot

- Ansatz:  $\Psi^{(A)} = \sum_{\mathbf{v}} \int d\vec{r} \phi_{\mathbf{v}}(\vec{r}) \hat{\mathcal{A}} \Phi_{\mathbf{v}\vec{r}}^{(A-a,a)}$



eigenstates of  $H_{(A-a)}$  and  $H_{(a)}$  in the *ab initio* NCSM basis

- Many-body Schrödinger equation:

$$H\Psi^{(A)} = E\Psi^{(A)}$$

$$T_{\text{rel}}(r) + \mathcal{V}_{\text{rel}} + \bar{V}_{\text{Coul}}(r) + H_{(A-a)} + H_{(a)}$$

$$\sum_{\mathbf{v}} \int d\vec{r} \left[ \mathcal{H}_{\mu\nu}^{(A-a,a)}(\vec{r}', \vec{r}) - E \mathcal{N}_{\mu\nu}^{(A-a,a)}(\vec{r}', \vec{r}) \right] \phi_{\mathbf{v}}(\vec{r}) = 0$$

$$\langle \Phi_{\mu\vec{r}'}^{(A-a,a)} | \hat{\mathcal{A}} H \hat{\mathcal{A}} | \Phi_{\mathbf{v}\vec{r}}^{(A-a,a)} \rangle$$

**Hamiltonian kernel**

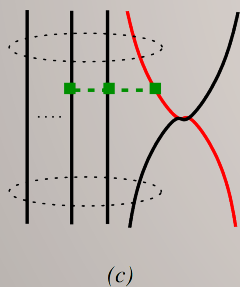
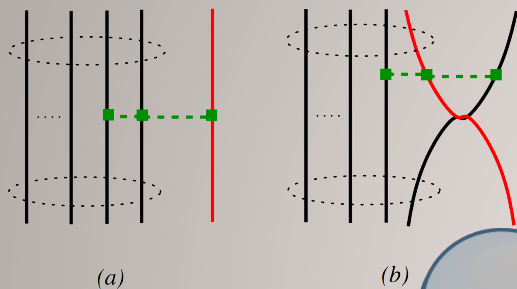
$$\langle \Phi_{\mu\vec{r}'}^{(A-a,a)} | \hat{\mathcal{A}}^2 | \Phi_{\mathbf{v}\vec{r}}^{(A-a,a)} \rangle$$

**Norm kernel**

realistic nuclear Hamiltonian



# Including 3N interaction in the NCSM/RGM: Direct and exchange terms



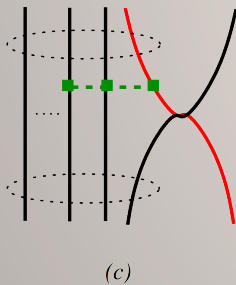
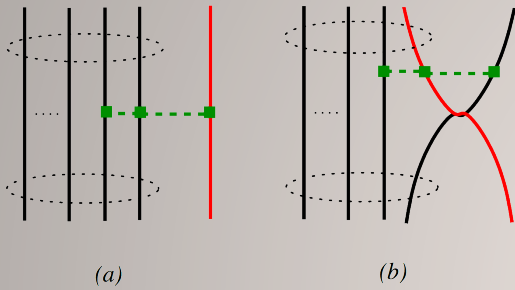
G. Hupin: Kernel derivations  
with many-body densities.

Use of existing codes:

Applicable to  $A=3,4$  targets

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum \hat{s} \hat{s}' \hat{j} \hat{j}' \hat{\tau} \hat{K} \hat{K}' (-1)^{J_1+j'+J} (-1)^{j_0+J_0-j+2j'} (-1)^{T_1+1/2+T} (-1)^{1/2+T_0+t_0+1} \\
 & \left\{ \begin{matrix} J_1 & 1/2 & s \\ l & J & j \end{matrix} \right\} \left\{ \begin{matrix} J_1' & 1/2 & s' \\ l' & J & j' \end{matrix} \right\} \\
 & \left\{ \begin{matrix} J_1 & K & J_1' \\ j' & J & j \end{matrix} \right\} \left\{ \begin{matrix} j_0' & j_0 & K \\ j & j' & J_0 \end{matrix} \right\} \\
 & \left\{ \begin{matrix} T_1 & \tau & T_1' \\ 1/2 & T & 1/2 \end{matrix} \right\} \left\{ \begin{matrix} t_0' & t_0 & \tau \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & T_0 \end{matrix} \right\} \\
 & \left\langle \left[ (n_a' l_a' j_a' : n_b' l_b' j_b') j_0' t_0' : n' l' j' \right] J_0 T_0 \middle| V_{A-2A-1A} (1 - 2P_{A-1A}) \middle| \left[ (n_a l_a j_a : n_b l_b j_b) j_0 t_0 : n l j \right] J_0 T_0 \right\rangle \\
 & \left\langle \alpha'_{A-1} J_1' T_1' \middle| \left[ \left[ a_{n_a' l_a' j_a'}^\dagger a_{n_b' l_b' j_b'}^\dagger \right]^{j_0' t_0'} \left[ \tilde{a}_{n_a l_a j_a} \tilde{a}_{n_b l_b j_b} \right]^{j_0 t_0} \right]^{K \tau} \middle| \alpha_{A-1} J_1 T_1 \right\rangle \\
 & \sum \hat{s} \hat{s}' \hat{j} \hat{j}' \hat{\tau} \hat{K} \hat{J}_0 \hat{T}_0 \hat{g}' \hat{l}'_g \hat{j}'_0 \hat{k}' \hat{l}'_k (-1)^{J_1+j'+J} (-1)^{j+j'_a+j'_b+j'_0+J_0+k'} (-1)^{T_1+1/2+T} (-1)^{1-T_0-\tau+t'_0+t'_k} \\
 & \left\{ \begin{matrix} J_1 & 1/2 & s \\ l & J & j \end{matrix} \right\} \left\{ \begin{matrix} J_1' & 1/2 & s' \\ l' & J & j' \end{matrix} \right\} \\
 & \left\{ \begin{matrix} J_1 & K & J_1' \\ j' & J & j \end{matrix} \right\} \left\{ \begin{matrix} g' & J_0 & K \\ j_0' & k' & j_b' \end{matrix} \right\} \left\{ \begin{matrix} k' & j_0' & K \\ j' & j & j_a' \end{matrix} \right\} \\
 & \left\{ \begin{matrix} T_1 & \tau & T_1' \\ 1/2 & T & 1/2 \end{matrix} \right\} \left\{ \begin{matrix} t'_g & T_0 & \tau \\ t_0' & t_k' & 1/2 \end{matrix} \right\} \left\{ \begin{matrix} t'_k & t_0' & \tau \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & 1/2 \end{matrix} \right\} \\
 & \left\langle \left[ (n' l' j' : n_a' l_a' j_a') j_0' t_0' : n_b' l_b' j_b' \right] J_0 T_0 \middle| V_{A-3A-2A-1} \middle| \left[ (n_\alpha l_\alpha j_\alpha : n_a l_a j_a) j_0 t_0 : n_b l_b j_b \right] J_0 T_0 \right\rangle \\
 & \left\langle \alpha'_{A-1} J_1' T_1' \middle| \left[ \left[ \left[ a_{n l j}^\dagger a_{n_a' l_a' j_a'}^\dagger \right]^{k' t'_k} a_{n_b' l_b' j_b'}^\dagger \right]^{g' t'_g} \left[ \tilde{a}_{n_\alpha l_\alpha j_\alpha} \tilde{a}_{n_a l_a j_a} \right]^{j_0 t_0} \tilde{a}_{n_b l_b j_b} \right]^{J_0 T_0} \right]^{K \tau} \middle| \alpha_{A-1} J_1 T_1 \right\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

# Including 3N interaction in the NCSM/RGM: Direct and exchange terms



J. Langhammer:

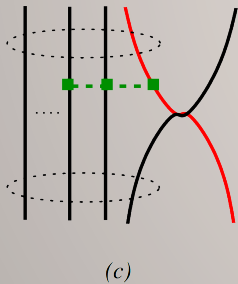
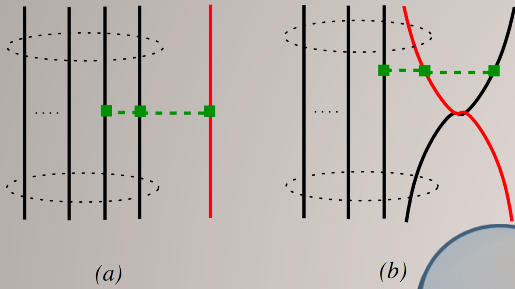
Kernel derivations without the angular momentum re-coupling and the many-body density factorization.

Kernel calculations directly from the target eigenvectors:

Applicable to  $p$ -shell nuclei targets

The same strategy possible for multi-nucleon projectiles and  $A > 4$  targets

# Including 3N interaction in the NCSM/RGM: Direct and exchange terms



$$\begin{aligned}
 & \langle \epsilon_{\nu'n'}^{J\pi T} | \hat{V}_{A-2A-1A} (1 - \hat{T}_{A-1,A} - \hat{T}_{A-2,A}) | \epsilon_{\nu n}^{J\pi T} \rangle \\
 &= \sum_{M_1 m_j} \sum_{M_{T_1} m_t} \begin{pmatrix} I_1 & j & J \\ M_1 & m_j & M_J \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} T_1 & \frac{1}{2} & T \\ M_{T_1} & m_t & M_T \end{pmatrix} \\
 & \sum_{M'_1 m'_j} \sum_{M'_{T_1} m'_t} \begin{pmatrix} I'_1 & j' & J \\ M'_1 & m'_j & M'_J \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} T'_1 & \frac{1}{2} & T \\ M'_{T_1} & m'_t & M'_T \end{pmatrix} \\
 & \frac{1}{2(A-1)(A-2)} \sum_{\beta_{A-2}} \sum_{\beta_{A-1}} \sum_{\beta'_{A-2}} \sum_{\beta'_{A-1}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \langle \Psi' I'_1 M'_1 T'_1 M'_{T_1} | \hat{a}_{\beta_{A-1}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{\beta_{A-2}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{\beta'_{A-2}} \hat{a}_{\beta'_{A-1}} | \Psi I_1 M_1 T_1 M_{T_1} \rangle \\
 & a \langle \beta_{A-2} \beta_{A-1} n' l' j' m'_j m'_t | \hat{V} | \beta'_{A-2} \beta'_{A-1} n l j m_j m_t \rangle_a
 \end{aligned}$$

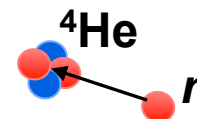
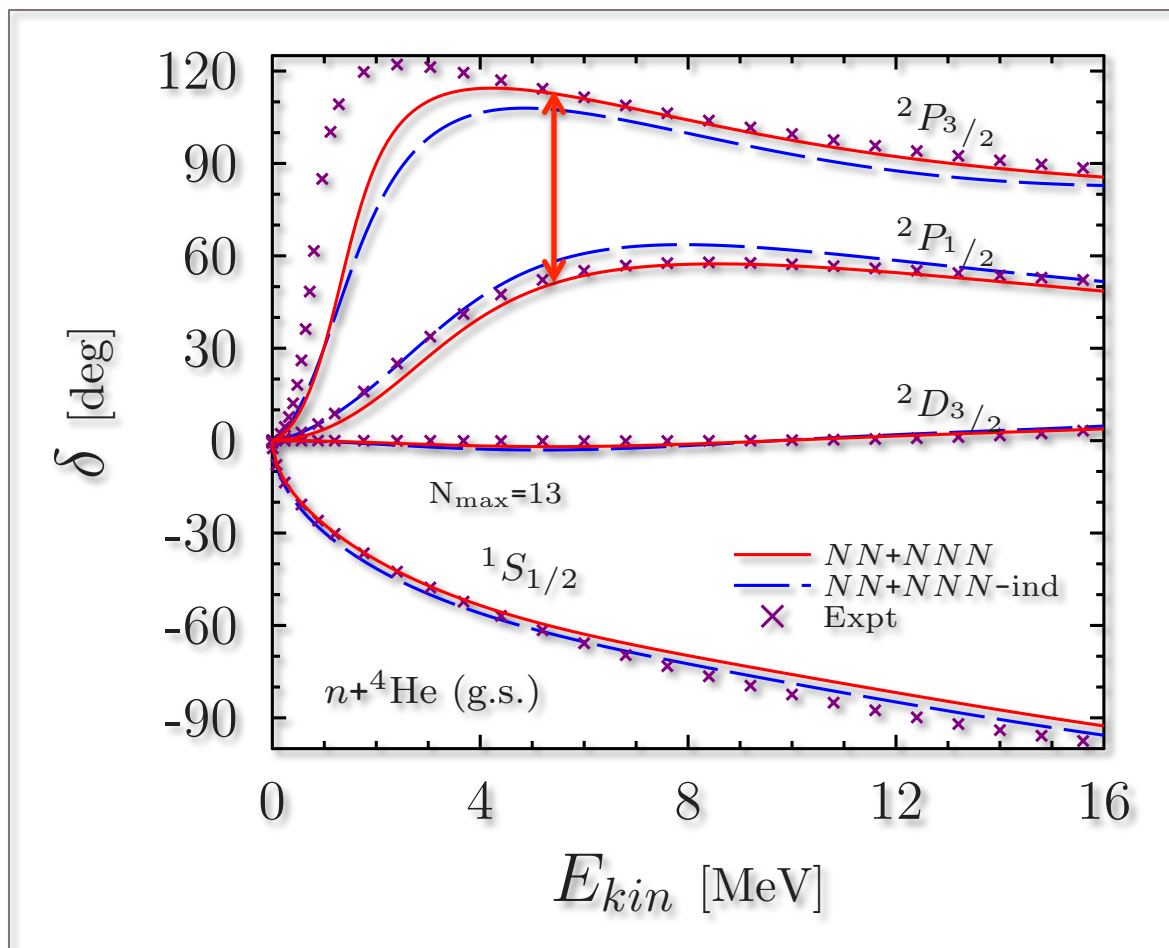
$$\begin{aligned}
 & \langle \epsilon_{\nu'n'}^{J\pi T} | \hat{V}_{A-3A-2A} \hat{T}_{A-1,A} | \epsilon_{\nu n}^{J\pi T} \rangle \\
 &= \sum_{M_1 m_j} \sum_{M_{T_1} m_t} \begin{pmatrix} I_1 & j & J \\ M_1 & m_j & M_J \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} T_1 & \frac{1}{2} & T \\ M_{T_1} & m_t & M_T \end{pmatrix} \\
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 & \frac{1}{6} \frac{1}{(A-1)(A-2)(A-3)} \sum_{\beta_{A-3}} \sum_{\beta_{A-2}} \sum_{\beta'_{A-3}} \sum_{\beta'_{A-2}} \sum_{\beta'_{A-1}} \\
 & \langle \Psi' I'_1 M'_1 T'_1 M'_{T_1} | \hat{a}_{n l j m_j \frac{1}{2} m_t}^\dagger \hat{a}_{\beta_{A-2}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{\beta_{A-3}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{\beta'_{A-3}} \hat{a}_{\beta'_{A-2}} \hat{a}_{\beta'_{A-1}} | \Psi I_1 M_1 T_1 M_{T_1} \rangle \\
 & a \langle \beta_{A-3} \beta_{A-2} n' l' j' m'_j \frac{1}{2} m'_t | \hat{V}_{A-3A-2A} | \beta'_{A-3} \beta'_{A-2} \beta'_{A-1} \rangle_a
 \end{aligned}$$

Computational challenge:  
Large scale parallelization,  
target eigenvectors for  
multiple  $M$  values



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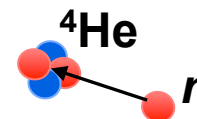
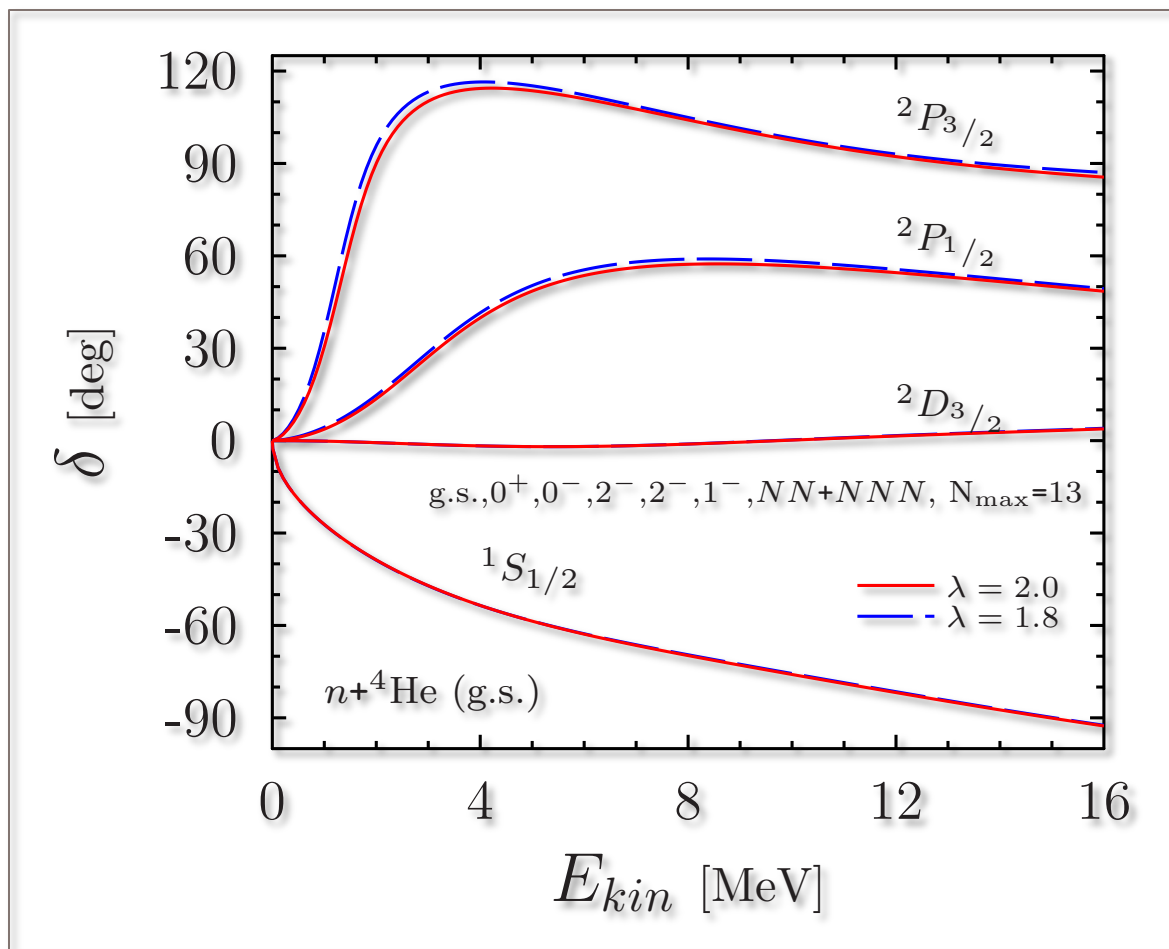
chiral NN+NNN(500)  
chiral NN+NNN-induced  
SRG  $\lambda=2 \text{ fm}^{-1}$   
HO  $N_{\text{max}}=13$ ,  $\hbar\Omega=20 \text{ MeV}$

<sup>4</sup>He g.s. and 5 excited states

The largest splitting  
between the P-waves  
obtained with the chiral  
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chiral NN+NNN(500)  
SRG  $\lambda=2 \text{ fm}^{-1}$  &  $1.88 \text{ fm}^{-1}$   
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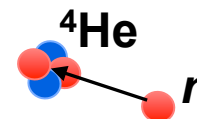
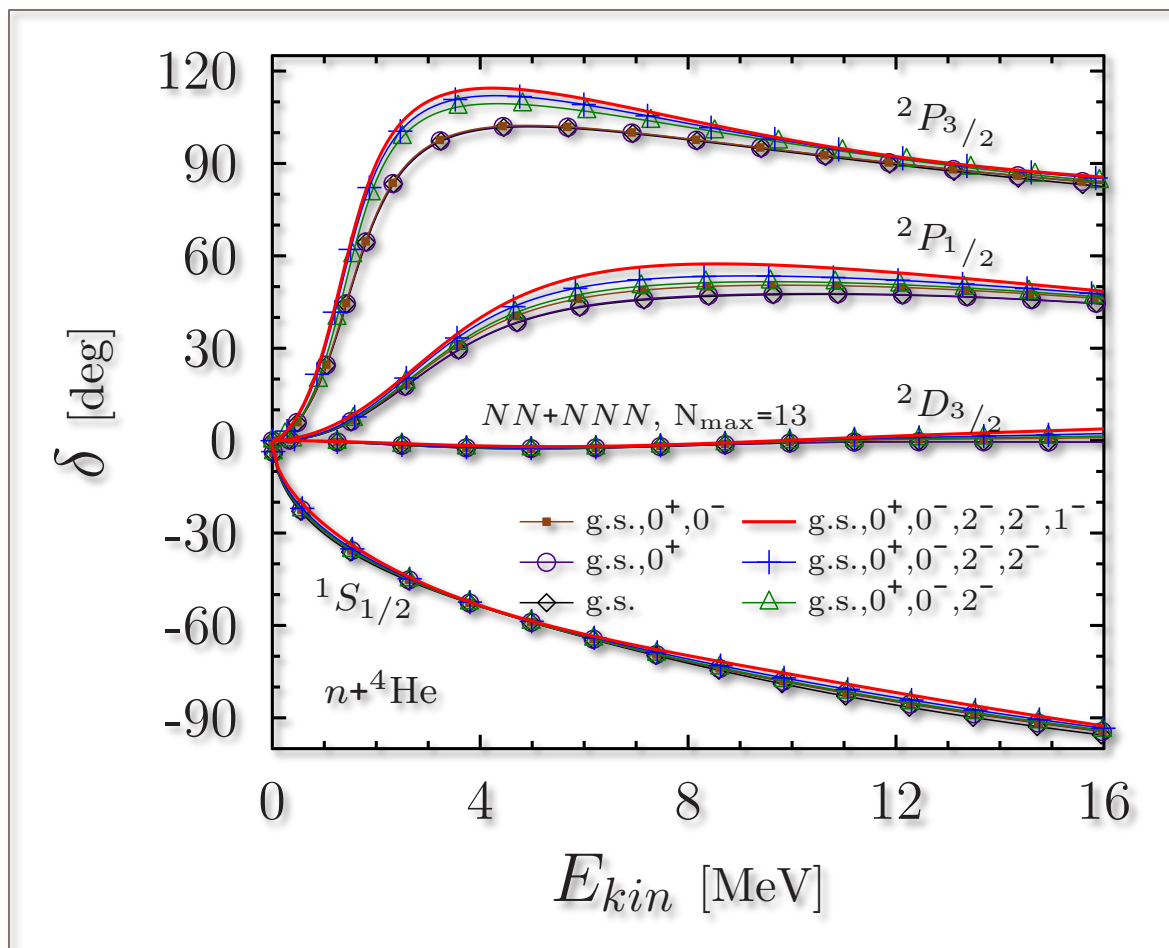
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29.89	$2^+, 0$	
28.37	$2^+, 0$	$2^+, 0$
28.39	$0^-, 0$	$0^-, 0$
28.64	$2^-, 0$	$2^-, 0$
28.67	$1^-, 0$	$1^-, 0$
28.31	$1^+, 0$	
27.42	$2^+, 0$	
25.95	$1^-, 1$	
25.28	$0^-, 1$	
24.25	$1^-, 0$	
23.64	$1^-, 1$	
23.33	$2^-, 1$	
21.84	$2^-, 0$	
21.01	$0^-, 0$	
20.21	$0^+, 0$	

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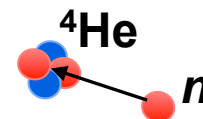
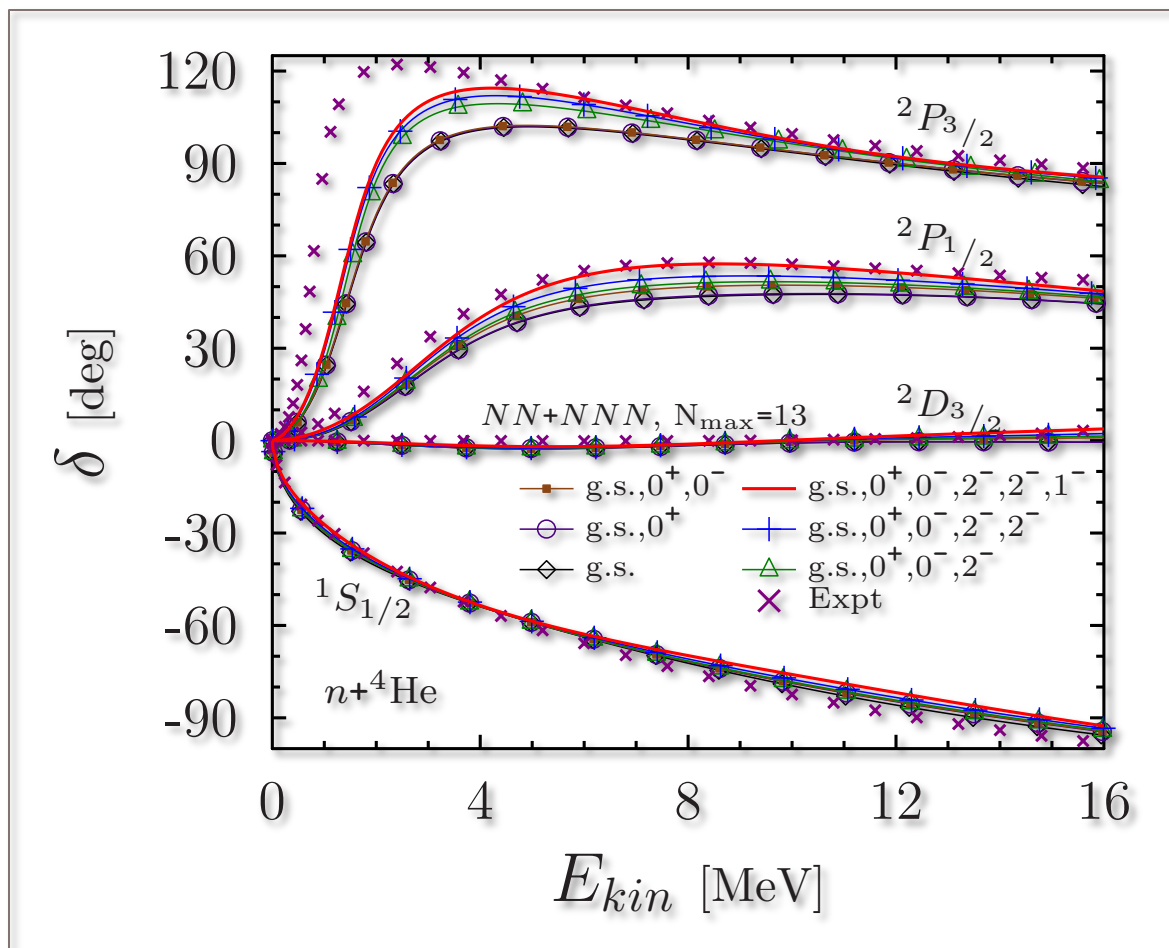


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Better reproduction of data with the increase of number of <sup>4</sup>He excited states  
... still **not enough**

# New developments: NCSM with continuum

NCSM



$$|\Psi_A^{J^{\pi T}}\rangle = \sum_{Ni} c_{Ni} |ANiJ^{\pi T}\rangle$$

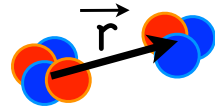
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NCSM/RGM



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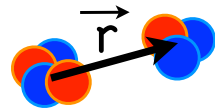
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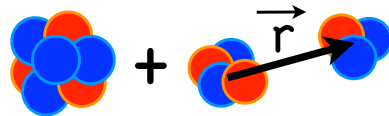
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NCSMC



S. Baroni, P. N., and S. Quaglioni,  
PRL **110**, 022505 (2013); PRC **87**, 034326 (2013).

$$|\Psi_A^{J^\pi T}\rangle = \sum_{\lambda} c_{\lambda} |A\lambda J^\pi T\rangle + \sum_{\nu} \int d\vec{r} \left( \sum_{\nu'} \int d\vec{r}' \mathcal{N}_{\nu\nu'}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}') \bar{\chi}_{\nu'}(\vec{r}') \right) \hat{A} \Phi_{\nu\vec{r}}^{J^\pi T(A-a,a)}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} H_{NCSM} & \bar{h} \\ \bar{h} & \mathcal{N}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathcal{H} \mathcal{N}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ \bar{\chi} \end{pmatrix} = E \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \bar{g} \\ \bar{g} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ \bar{\chi} \end{pmatrix}$$

# NCSMC formalism

Start from

$$\begin{pmatrix} H_{NCSM} & \bar{h} \\ \bar{h} & \bar{\mathcal{H}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ \chi \end{pmatrix} = E \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \bar{g} \\ \bar{g} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ \chi \end{pmatrix}$$

NCSM sector:

$$(H_{NCSM})_{\lambda\lambda'} = \langle A\lambda J^\pi T | \hat{H} | A\lambda' J^\pi T \rangle = \varepsilon_\lambda^{J^\pi T} \delta_{\lambda\lambda'}$$

NCSM/RGM sector:

$$\bar{\mathcal{H}}_{\nu\nu'}(r, r') = \sum_{\mu\mu'} \int \int dy dy' y^2 y'^2 \mathcal{N}_{\nu\mu}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(r, y) \mathcal{H}_{\mu\mu'}(y, y') \mathcal{N}_{\mu'\nu'}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(y', r')$$

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Coupling:

$$\bar{g}_{\lambda\nu}(r) = \sum_{\nu'} \int dr' r'^2 \langle A\lambda J^\pi T | \hat{\mathcal{A}}_{\nu'} \Phi_{\nu' r'}^{J^\pi T} \rangle \mathcal{N}_{\nu'\nu}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(r', r)$$

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Calculation of  $g$  from SD wave functions:

$$\begin{aligned} g_{\lambda\nu n} &= \langle A\lambda J^\pi T | \hat{\mathcal{A}}_\nu \Phi_{\nu n}^{J^\pi T} \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\langle n\ell 00, \ell | 00n\ell, \ell \rangle_{\frac{1}{(A-1)}}} {}_{SD} \langle A\lambda J^\pi T | \hat{\mathcal{A}}_\nu \Phi_{\nu n}^{J^\pi T} \rangle_{SD} \\ &= \frac{1}{\langle n\ell 00, \ell | 00n\ell, \ell \rangle_{\frac{1}{(A-1)}}} \frac{1}{\hat{J}\hat{T}} \sum_j (-1)^{I_1+J+j} \hat{s}_j \begin{Bmatrix} I_1 & \frac{1}{2} & s \\ \ell & J & j \end{Bmatrix} {}_{SD} \langle A\lambda J^\pi T || a_{n\ell j \frac{1}{2}}^\dagger || A-1 \alpha_1 I_1^{\pi_1} T_1 \rangle_{SD} \end{aligned} \quad 43$$

# NCSMC coupling due to the 3N interaction

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \langle A\lambda J^\pi T | V_{3N} \mathcal{A} [|A - 1\alpha_1 I_1 T_1 \rangle \varphi_{nlj}(A)]^{(J^\pi T)} = \\
 & \frac{1}{12} \sum (I_1 M_1 j m | J M) (T_1 M_{T_1} \frac{1}{2} m_t | T M_T) \\
 & \langle \beta_1 \beta_2 \beta_3 | V_{3N} | \beta_1, \beta_2, (nlj m m_t) \rangle \\
 & \langle A\lambda J M T M_T | a_{\beta_3}^\dagger a_{\beta_2}^\dagger a_{\beta_1}^\dagger a_{\beta_1}, a_{\beta_2}, |A - 1\alpha_1 I_1 M_1 T_1 M_{T_1} \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

Straightforward to calculate

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$$N_{\nu r \nu' r'}^{\lambda \lambda'} = \begin{pmatrix} \delta_{\lambda \lambda'} & \bar{g}_{\lambda \nu'}(r') \\ \bar{g}_{\lambda' \nu}(r) & \delta_{\nu \nu'} \frac{\delta(r-r')}{rr'} \end{pmatrix}$$

Orthogonalization:

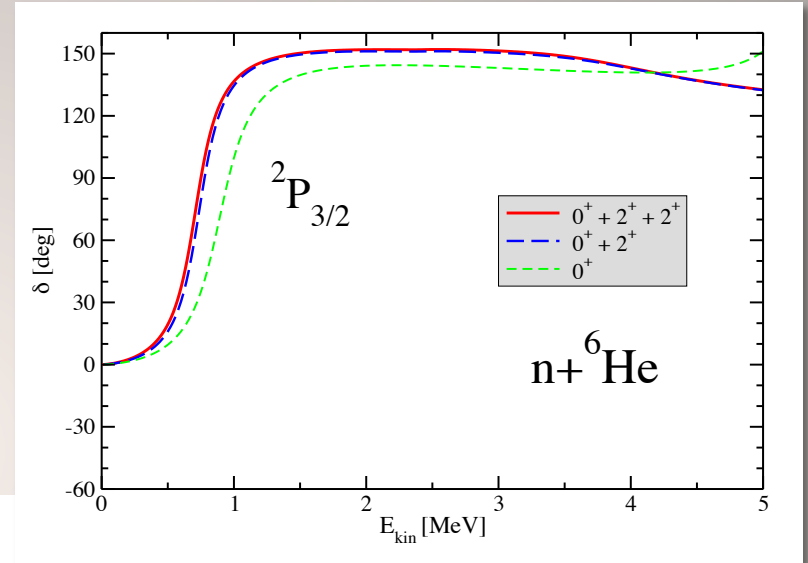
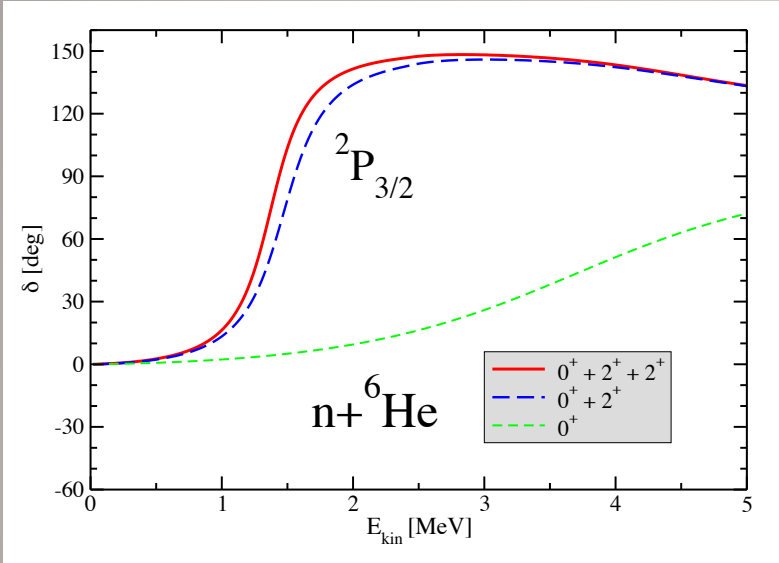
$$\bar{H} = N^{-\frac{1}{2}} \begin{pmatrix} H_{NCSM} & \bar{h} \\ \bar{h} & \bar{\mathcal{H}} \end{pmatrix} N^{-\frac{1}{2}} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \bar{c} \\ \bar{\chi} \end{pmatrix} = N^{+\frac{1}{2}} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ \chi \end{pmatrix}$$

Solve with generalized microscopic R-matrix

$$(\hat{H} + \hat{L} - E) \begin{pmatrix} \bar{c} \\ \bar{\chi} \end{pmatrix} = \hat{L} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{c} \\ \bar{\chi} \end{pmatrix}$$

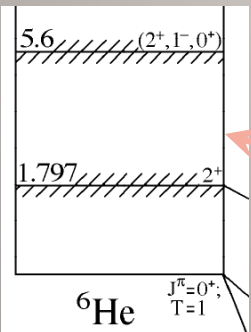
Bloch operator  $\longrightarrow \hat{L}_\nu = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \delta(r-a) \left( \frac{d}{dr} - \frac{B_\nu}{r} \right) \end{pmatrix}$

# NCSM with continuum: ${}^7\text{He} \leftrightarrow {}^6\text{He}+n$

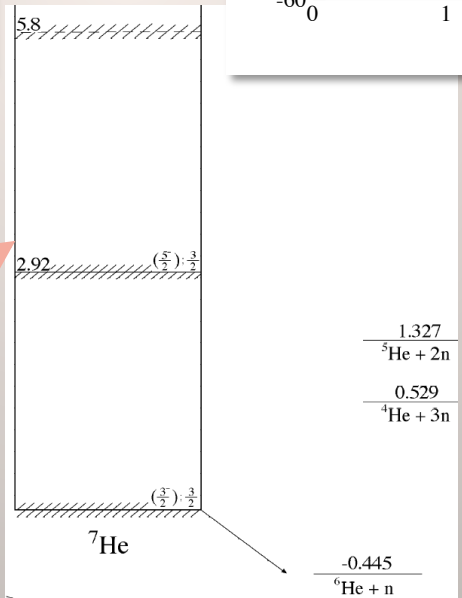


NCSM/RGM  
with up to three  ${}^6\text{He}$  states

NCSMC  
with up to three  ${}^6\text{He}$  states  
*and* four  ${}^7\text{He}$  eigenstates  
More 7-nucleon correlations  
Fewer target states needed

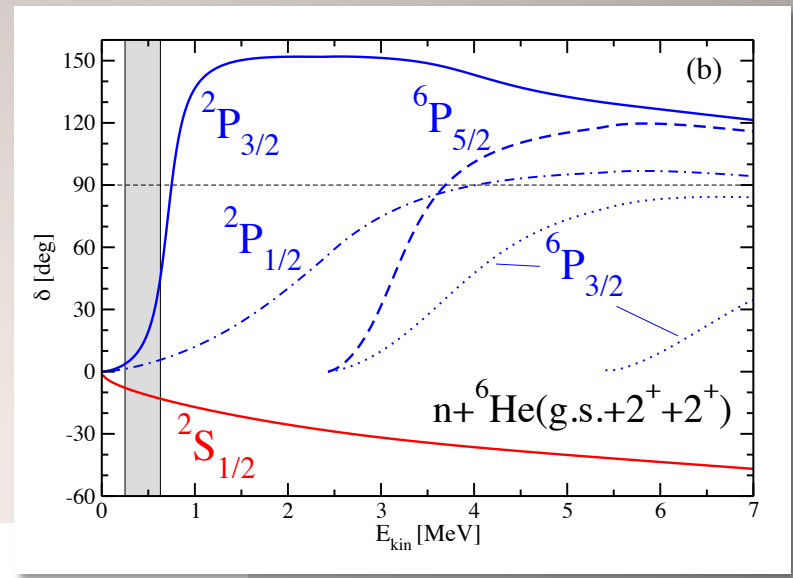
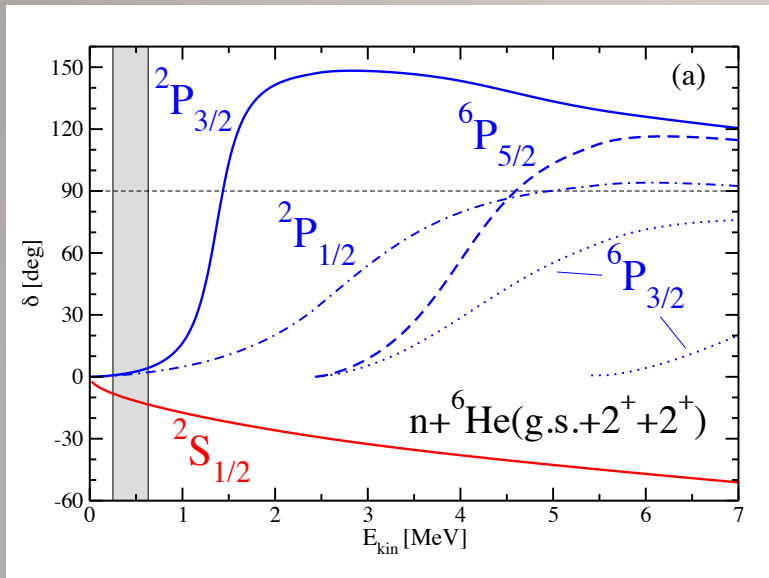


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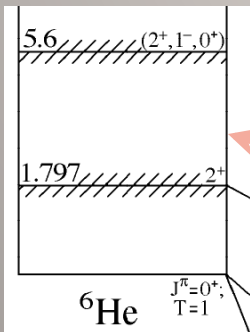


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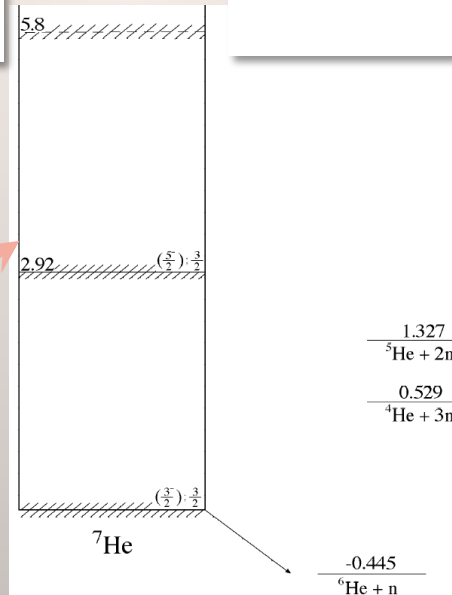


NCSM/RGM  
with three  ${}^6\text{He}$  states

NCSMC  
with three  ${}^6\text{He}$  states  
and ten  ${}^7\text{He}$  eigenstates  
More 7-nucleon correlations  
Fewer target states needed



Expt.



# $^7\text{He}$ : NCSMC vs. NCSM/RGM vs. NCSM

$J^\pi$	experiment			NCSMC		NCSM/RGM		NCSM
	$E_R$	$\Gamma$	Ref.	$E_R$	$\Gamma$	$E_R$	$\Gamma$	$E_R$
$3/2^-$	0.430(3)	0.182(5)	[2]	0.71	0.30	1.39	0.46	1.30
$5/2^-$	3.35(10)	1.99(17)	[40]	3.13	1.07	4.00	1.75	4.56
$1/2^-$	3.03(10)	2	[11]	2.39	2.89	2.66	3.02	3.26
	3.53	10	[15]					
	1.0(1)	0.75(8)	[5]					

[11] A. H. Wuosmaa *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C **72**, 061301 (2005).

- NCSMC and NCSM/RGM energies where phase shift derivative maximal
- NCSMC and NCSM/RGM widths from the derivatives of phase shifts

$$\Gamma = \frac{2}{\left. \frac{\partial \delta(E_{kin})}{\partial E_{kin}} \right|_{E_{kin}=E_R}}$$

**Experimental controversy:**  
Existence of low-lying  $1/2^-$  state  
... not seen in these calculations

**Best agreement with the neutron  
pick-up and proton-removal  
reactions experiments [11]**

# Conclusions and Outlook

- 3N interaction applications in many-body calculations
  - Technically solved for NCSM
  - Medium mass nuclei: The HO cut for 3N matrix elements needs to be increased beyond  $E_{3\text{max}}=16$  – further algorithmic development required
  - Promising results for scattering within the NCSM/RGM
- We developed a new unified approach to nuclear bound and unbound states
  - Merging of the NCSM and the NCSM/RGM PRL **110**, 022505 (2013)
- We demonstrated its capabilities in calculations of  ${}^7\text{He}$  resonances
- 3N interaction inclusion straightforward - under way
- Outlook:
  - Problems with the 3N interaction input for medium mass nuclei solvable
  - Extension of the NCSMC formalism to composite projectiles (deuteron,  ${}^3\text{H}$ ,  ${}^3\text{He}$ ,  ${}^4\text{He}$ )
  - Extension of the formalism to coupling of three-body clusters ( ${}^6\text{He} \sim {}^4\text{He}+n+n$ )

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