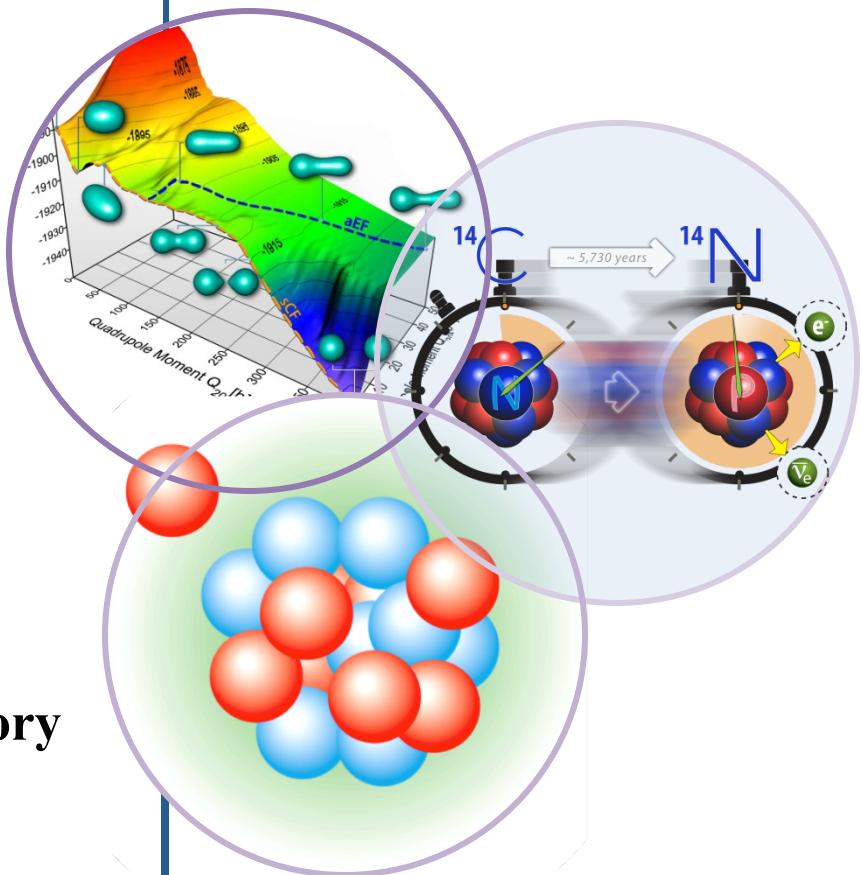


Ab initio Nuclear Structure – From Light to Medium Weight Nuclei

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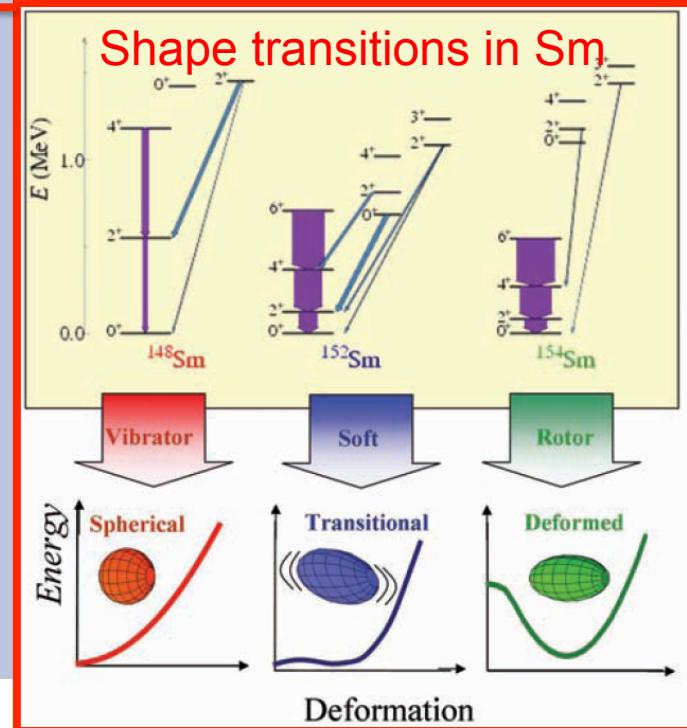
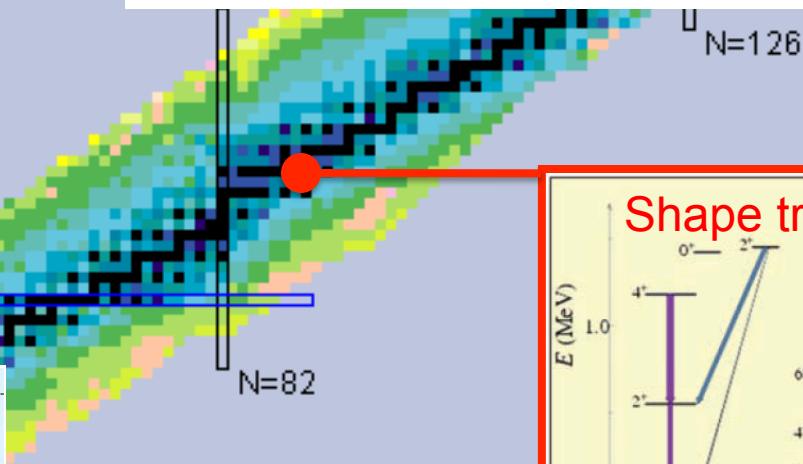
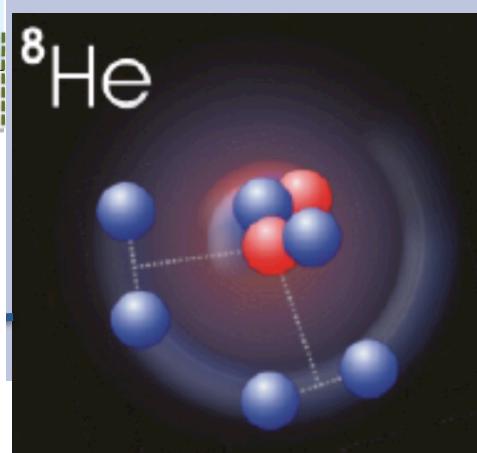
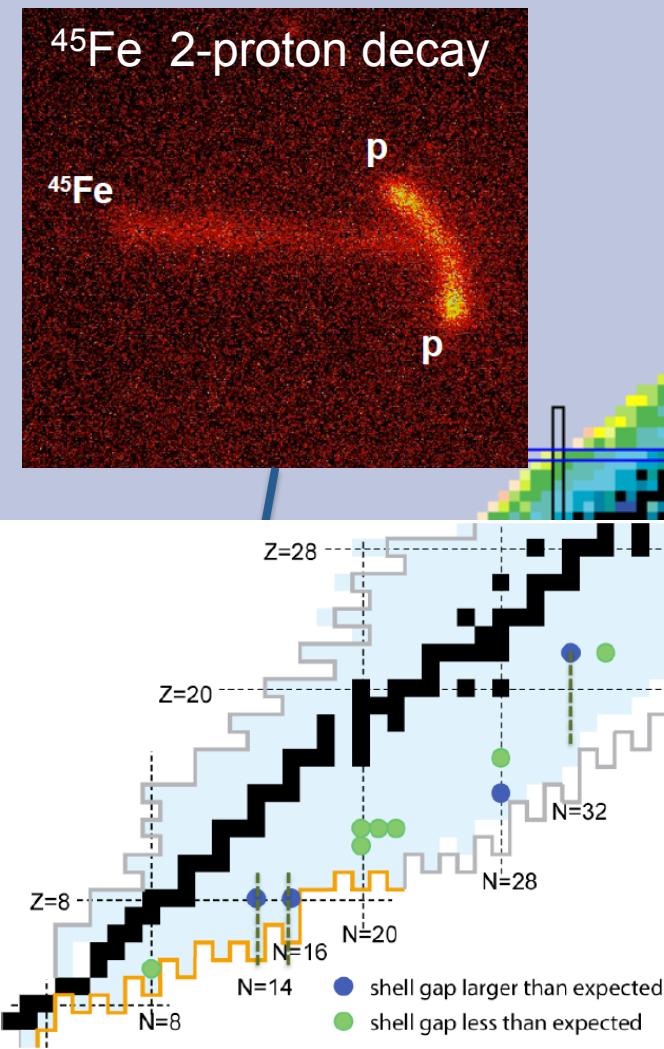


Nuclei across the chart

118 chemical elements (94 naturally found on Earth)
288 stable (primordial) isotopes

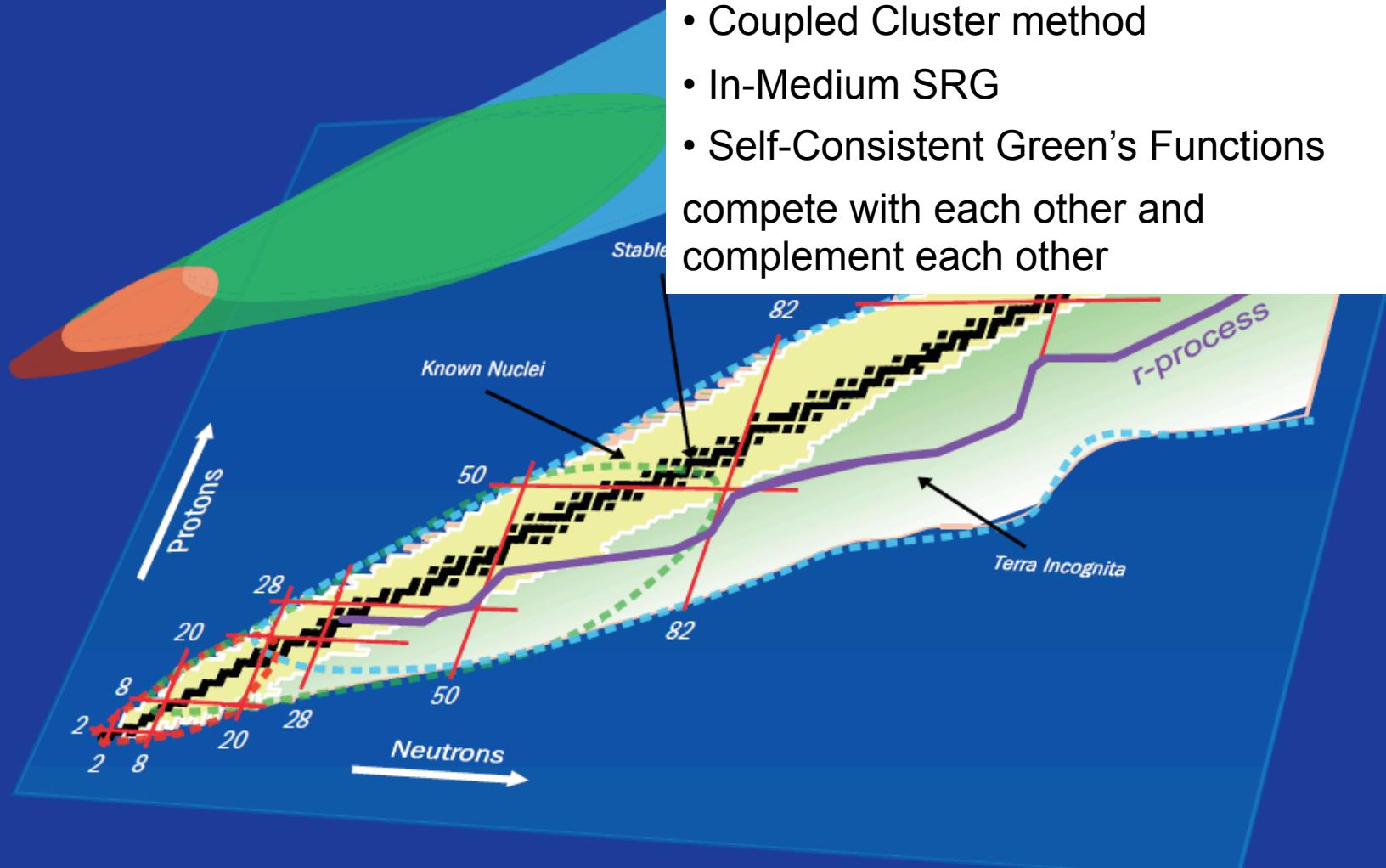
Thousands of short-lived isotopes – many with interesting properties

large isospin magnifies unknown physics
clustering behavior
novel evolution in structure



Nuclear Landscape

- *Ab Initio*
- Configuration Interaction
- Density Functional Theory



Ab initio approaches

- Quantum Monte Carlo
 - Lattice EFT
 - Configuration interaction/NCSM
 - Coupled Cluster method
 - In-Medium SRG
 - Self-Consistent Green's Functions
- compete with each other and complement each other

Energy scales and relevant degrees of freedom

Physics of Hadrons

Degrees of Freedom



quarks, gluons

Energy (MeV)

940
neutron mass

constituent quarks

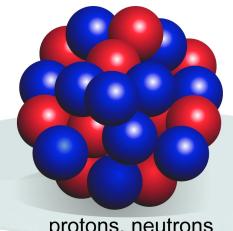


baryons, mesons

ab initio

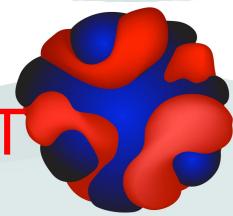
140
pion mass

CI



protons, neutrons

DFT



nucleonic densities
and currents

collective
models

collective coordinates

Energy or Resolution



Chiral symmetry is broken

Pion is Nambu-Goldstone boson

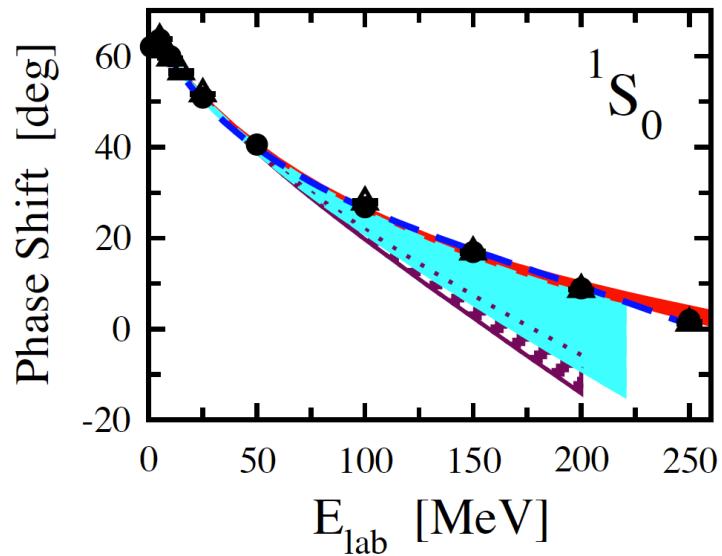
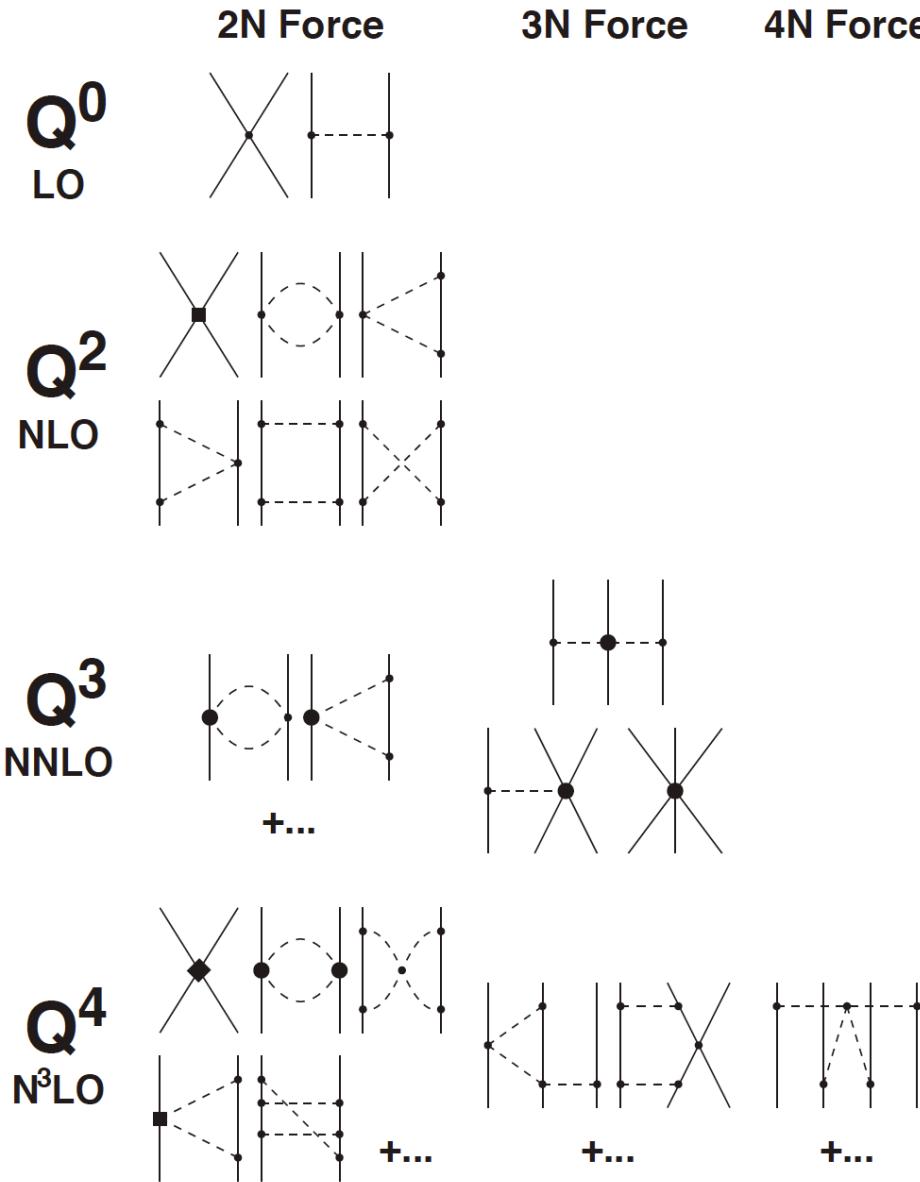
Tool: Chiral effective field theory

Effective theories provide us with model independent approaches to atomic nuclei

Key: Separation of scales

Nuclear forces from chiral effective field theory

[Weinberg; van Kolck; Epelbaum *et al.*; Entem & Machleidt; ...]



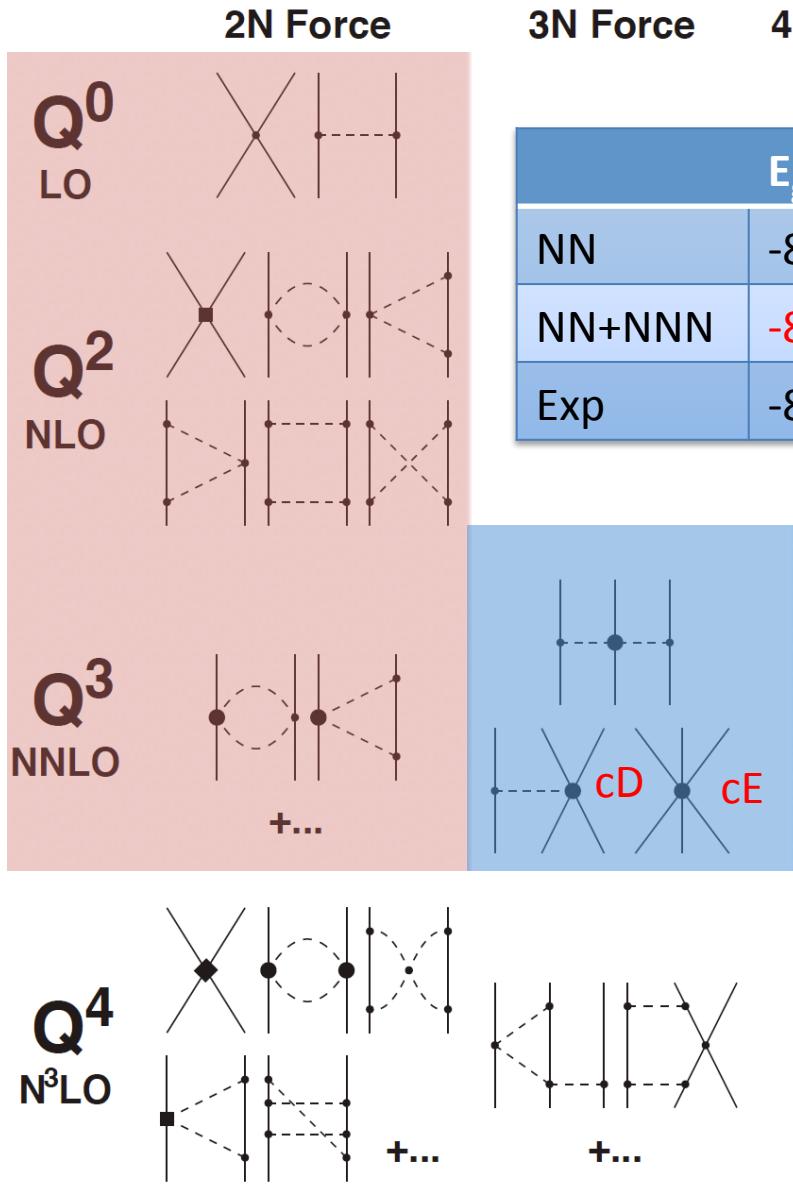
[Epelbaum, Hammer, Meissner RMP 81, 1773 (2009)]

Low energy constants from fit of NN data, $A=3,4$ nuclei, or light nuclei.

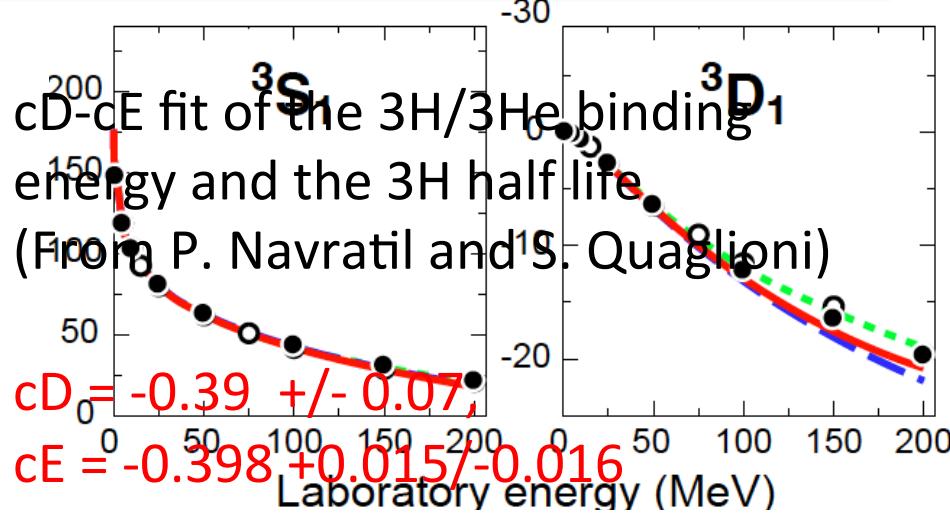
- Model inadequacy: optimization of the parameters **order-by-order**
- Parameter uncertainties: Covariance and sensitivity analysis of parameters in few- AND many-body systems

Optimization of Chiral interactions at NNLO

A. Ekström et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 192502 (2013)

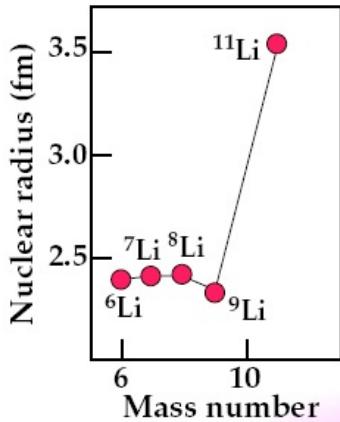


	$E_{\text{g.s.}}$	$\langle r_p \rangle^{1/2}$	$E_{\text{g.s.}}$	$\langle r_p \rangle^{1/2}$	$E_{\text{g.s.}}$	$\langle r_p \rangle^{1/2}$
NN	-8.25	1.60	-7.50		-27.59	1.43
NN+NNN	-8.48	1.58	-7.73	1.76	-28.46	1.42
Exp	-8.48	1.60	-7.72	1.77	-28.30	1.47



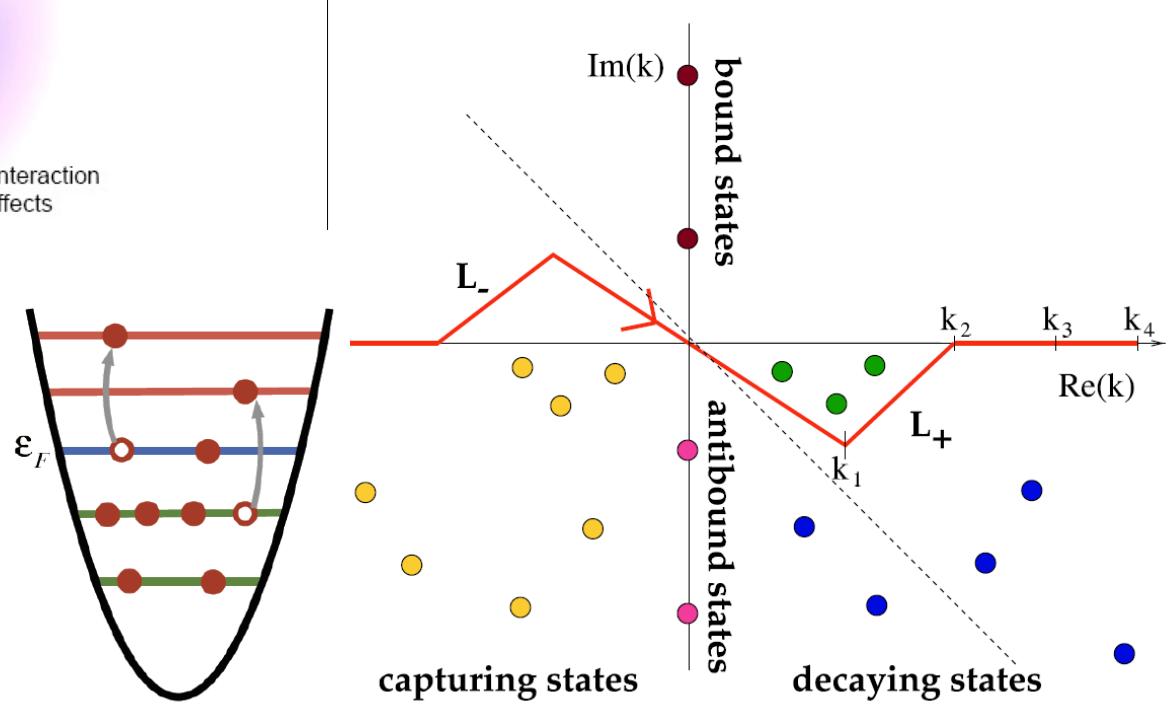
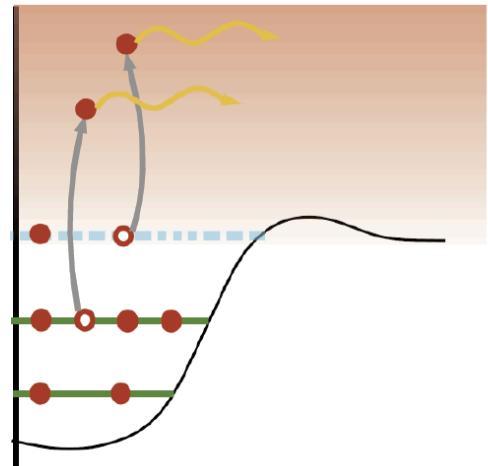
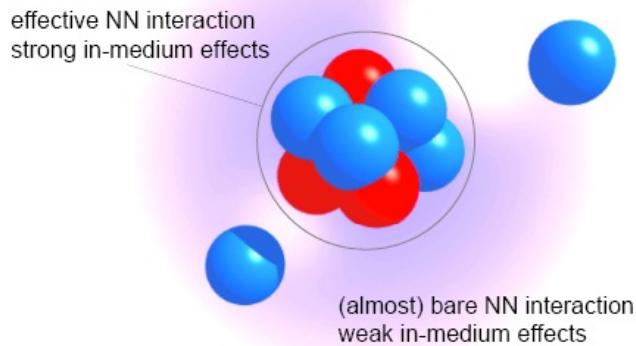
T_{lab} (MeV)	0–35	35–125	125–183	183–290	0–290
$pp \chi^2/\text{datum}$	1.11	1.56	23.95	29.26	17.10
$np \chi^2/\text{datum}$	0.85	1.17	1.87	6.09	14.03 ^a

Physics of nuclei at the edges of stability



I. Tanihata et al.
Phys. Rev. Lett. 55, 2676 (1985)

Interaction cross section
measurements at Bevalac
(790 MeV/u)



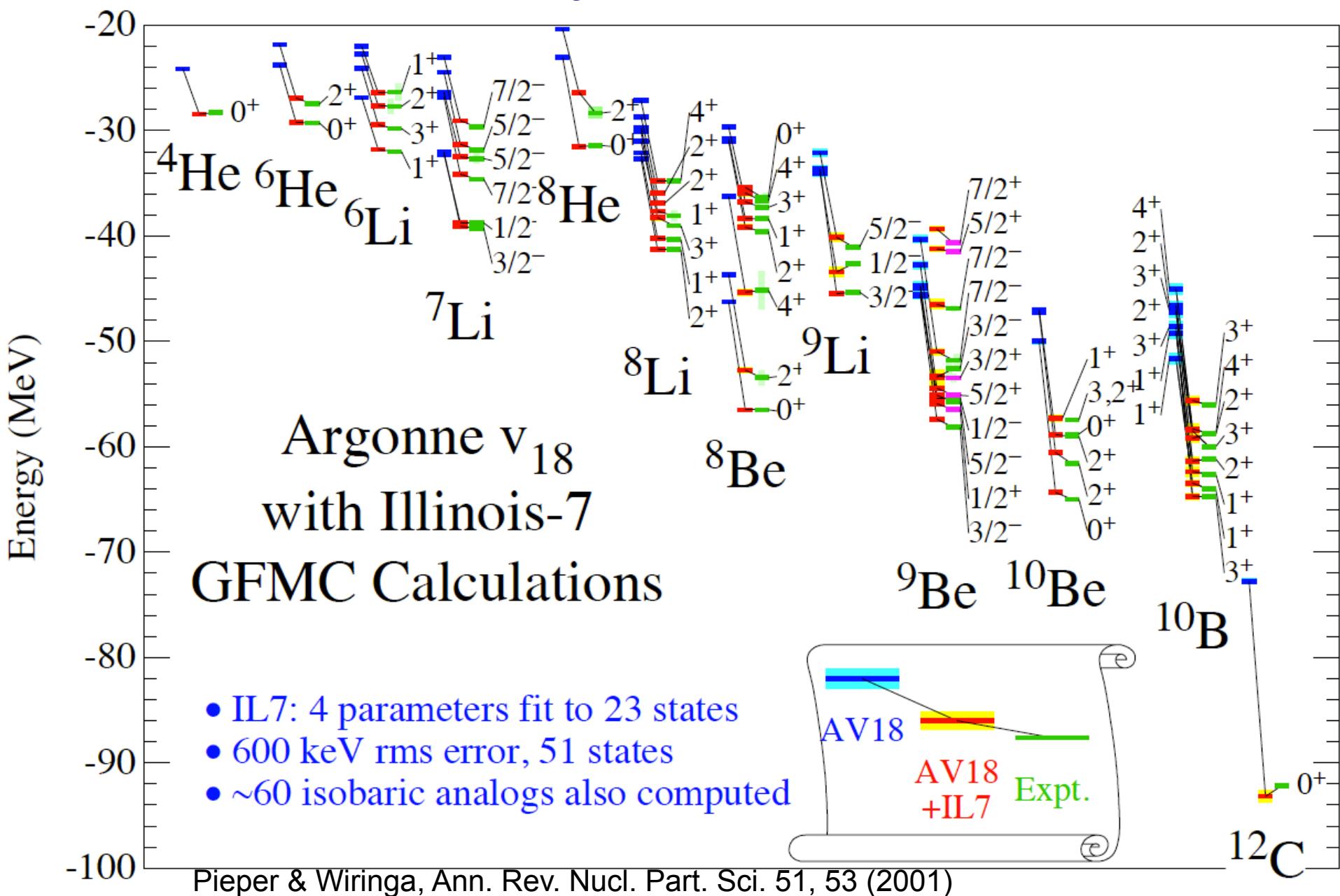
The Berggren completeness treats bound, resonant and scattering states on equal footing.

Has been successfully applied in the shell model in the complex energy plane to light nuclei. For a review see

N. Michel et al J. Phys. G 36, 013101 (2009).

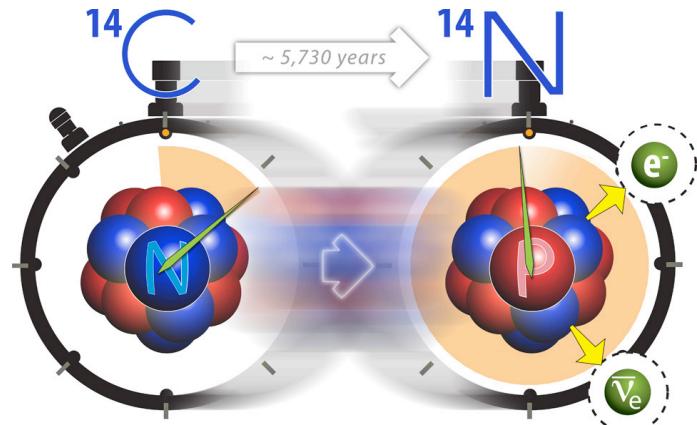
Green's function Monte Carlo computations

Demonstration that light nuclei can be build from scratch

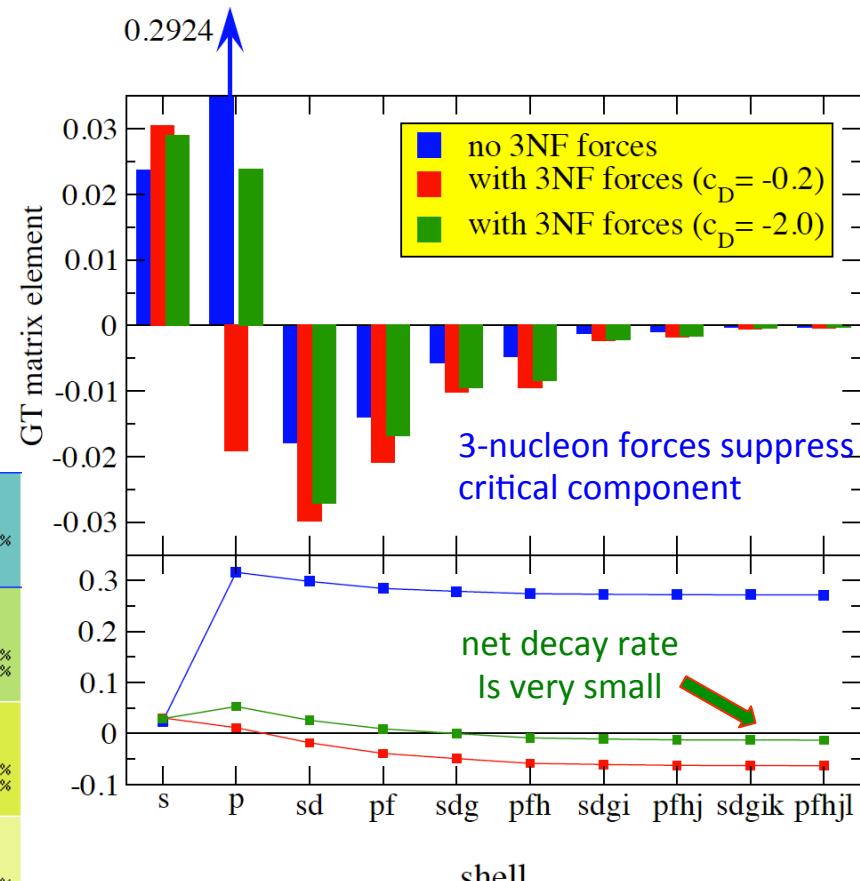


Anomalous Long Lifetime of Carbon-14

Anomalous long lifetime of Carbon-14 (used in carbon dating) explained by ab-initio CI calculations using NN and NNN forces. Three-nucleon forces yield suppression of transition matrix element.



Z	120 0.40 MeV P	130 8.58 MS $\epsilon_p: 100.00\%$ $\epsilon: 100.00\%$	140 70.620 S $\epsilon: 100.00\%$	150 122.24 S $\epsilon: 100.00\%$	160 STABLE 99.757%	170 STABLE 0.038%	180 STABLE 0.205%	190 26.88 S $\beta^-: 100.00\%$	200 13.51 S $\beta^-: 100.00\%$
7	11N 0.83 MeV $P: 100.00\%$	12N 11.000 MS $\epsilon: 100.00\%$	13N 9.965 M $\epsilon: 100.00\%$	14N STABLE 99.636%	15N STABLE 0.364%	16N 7.18 S $\beta^-: 100.00\%$ $\beta^-n: 1.2E-3$	17N 4.173 S $\beta^-: 100.00\%$ $\beta^-n: 95.1\%$	18N 620 MS $\beta^-: 100.00\%$ $\beta^-n: 12.20\%$	19N 336 MS $\beta^-: 100.00\%$ $\beta^-n: 41.80\%$
6	10C 19.308 S $\epsilon: 100.00\%$	11C 20.334 M $\epsilon: 100.00\%$	12C STABLE 98.98%	13C STABLE 1.07%	14C 5700 Y $\beta^-: 100.00\%$	15C 2.449 S $\beta^-: 100.00\%$	16C 0.747 S $\beta^-: 100.00\%$ $\beta^-n: 99.00\%$	17C 193 MS $\beta^-: 100.00\%$ $\beta^-n: 32.00\%$	18C 92 MS $\beta^-: 100.00\%$ $\beta^-n: 31.50\%$
5	9B 0.54 KeV $2\alpha: 100.00\%$ $P: 100.00\%$	10B STABLE 19.9%	11B STABLE 80.1%	12B 20.20 MS $\beta^-: 100.00\%$ $\beta^-n: 1.58\%$	13B 17.33 MS $\beta^-: 100.00\%$	14B 12.5 MS $\beta^-: 100.00\%$	15B 9.93 MS $\beta^-: 100.00\%$ $\beta^-n: 93.60\%$	16B <190 PS N	17B 5.08 MS $\beta^-: 100.00\%$ $\beta^-n: 63.00\%$
4	8Be 5.57 eV $\alpha: 100.00\%$	9Be STABLE 100%	10Be 1.387E+6 Y $\beta^-: 100.00\%$	11Be 13.81 S $\beta^-: 100.00\%$ $\beta^-n: 3.1\%$	12Be 21.49 MS $\beta^-: 100.00\%$ $\beta^-n: 1.00\%$	13Be 2.7E-21 S N	14Be 4.35 MS $\beta^-: 100.00\%$ $\beta^-n: 81.00\%$	15Be <200 NS N	16Be <200 NS $2N$
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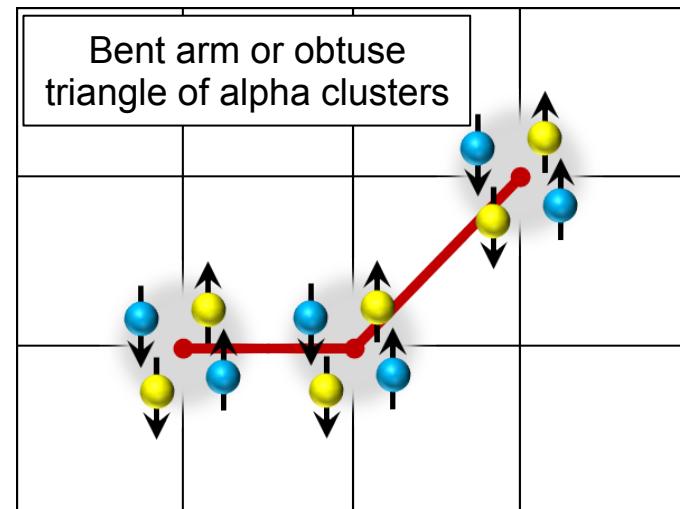
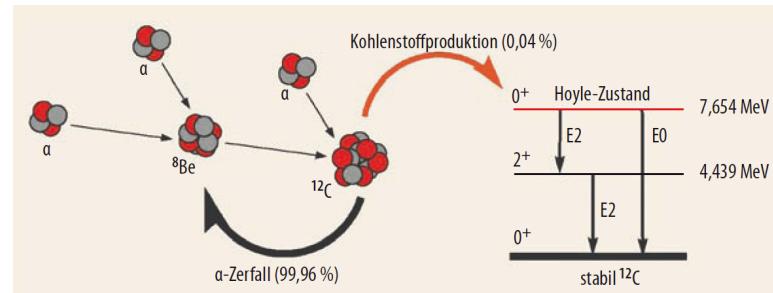
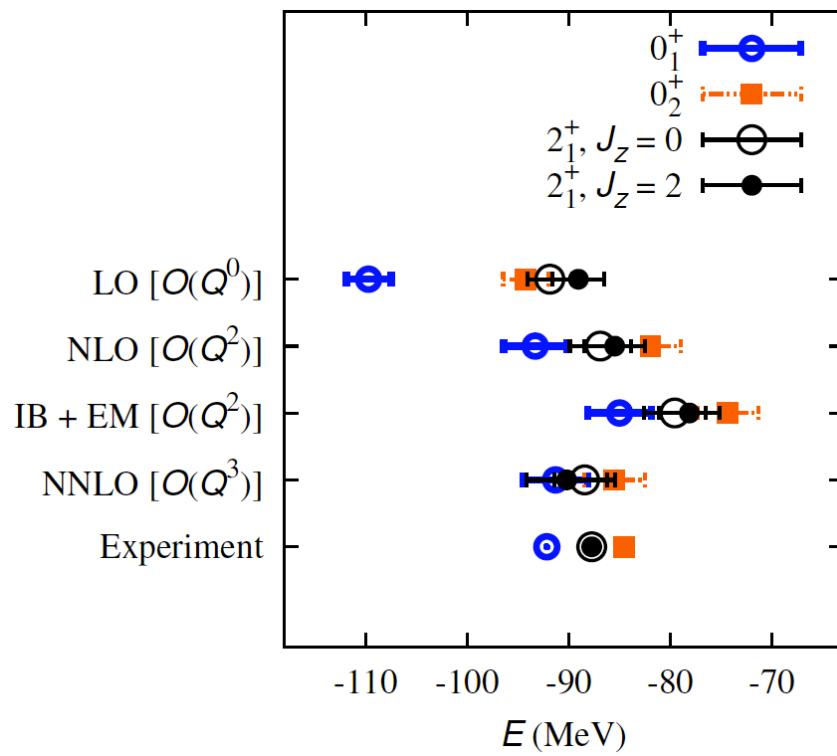


shell
Maris, Vary, Navrátil, Ormand, Nam, Dean,
Phys. Rev. Lett. 106, 202502 (2011)

Computation of the Hoyle state

The Hoyle state (postulated in 1954) explains the abundance of ^{12}C in stars.

Nuclear Lattice Effective Field Theory Collaboration

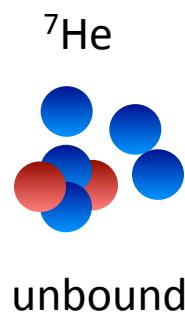
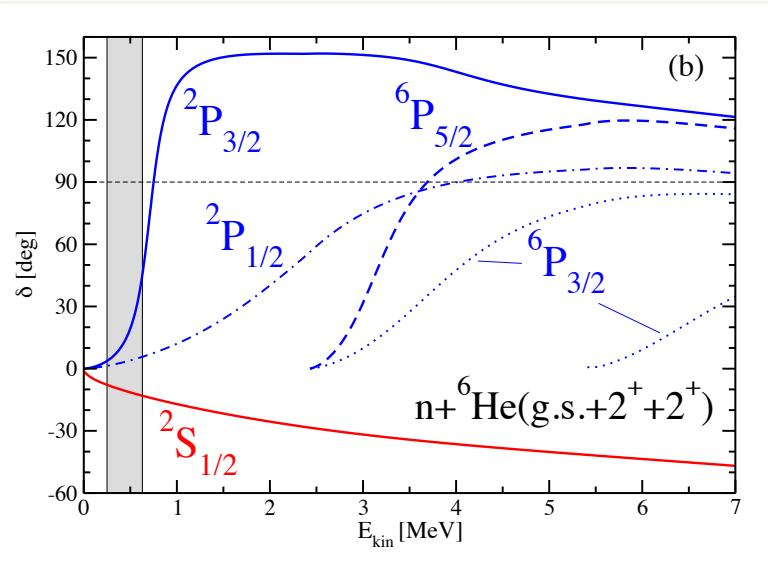


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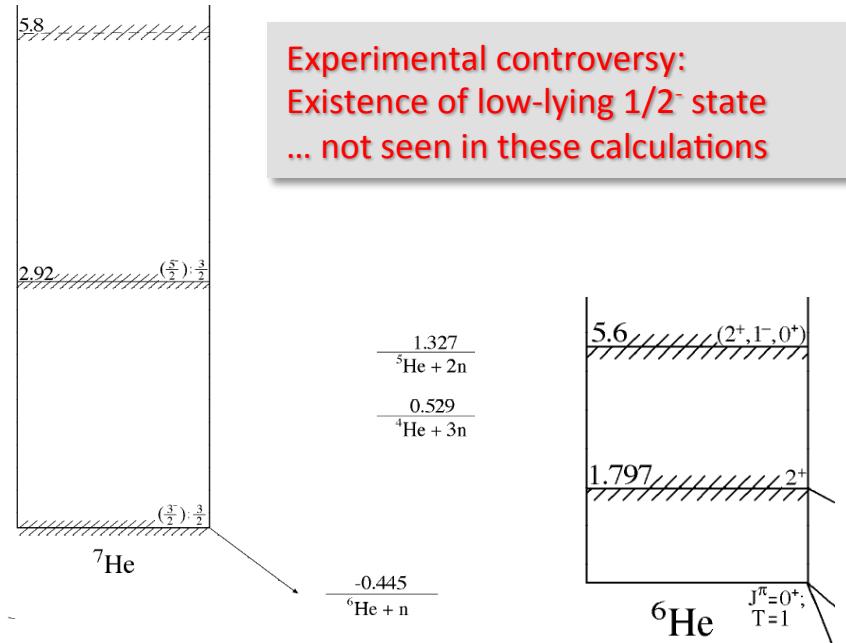
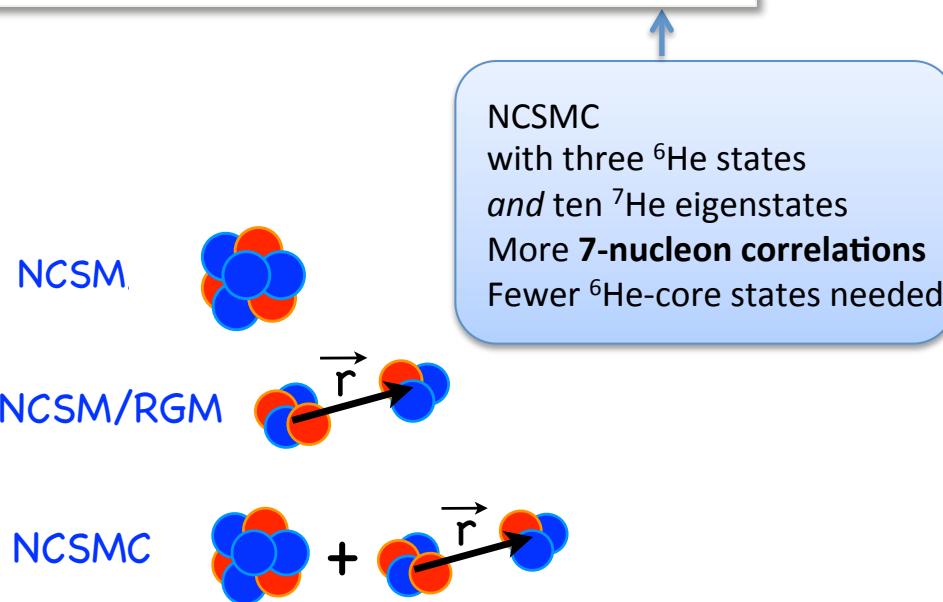
NCSM with continuum: $^7\text{He} \leftrightarrow ^6\text{He} + n$

S. Baroni, P. Navrátil, and S. Quaglioni, Phys. Rev. Lett. **110**, 022505 (2013)



J^π	experiment			NCSMC	
	E_R	Γ	Ref.	E_R	Γ
$3/2^-$	0.430(3)	0.182(5)	[2]	0.71	0.30
$5/2^-$	3.35(10)	1.99(17)	[40]	3.13	1.07
$1/2^-$	3.03(10)	2	[11]	2.39	2.89
	3.53	10	[15]		
	1.0(1)	0.75(8)	[5]		

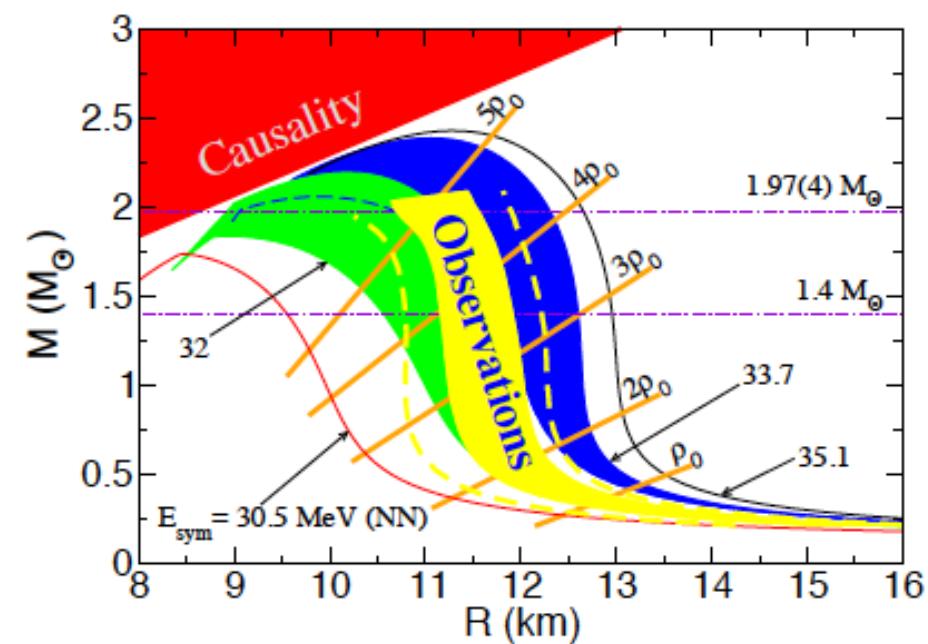
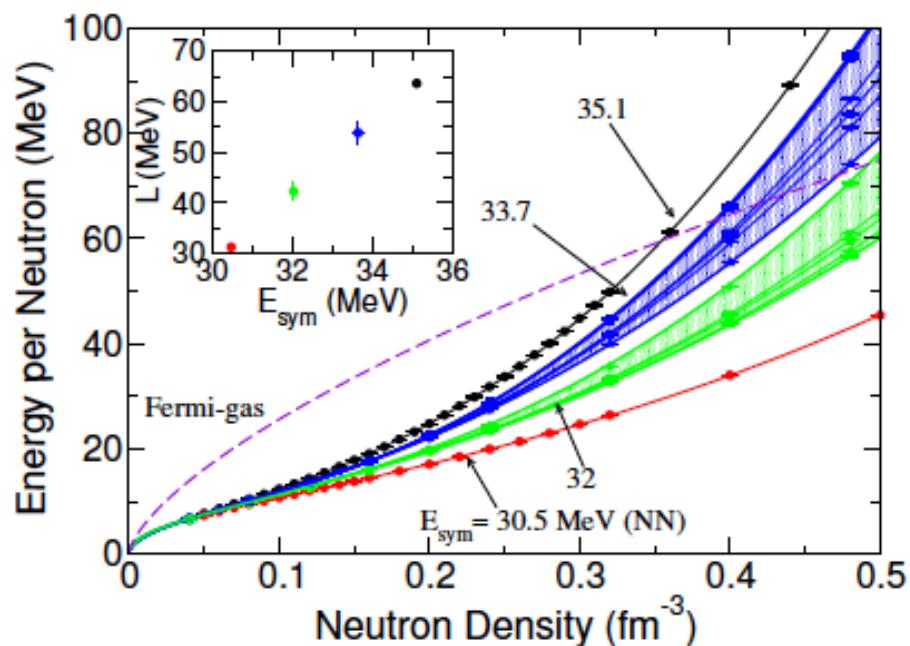
[11] A. H. Wuosmaa *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C **72**, 061301 (2005).



Effect of three-body force in neutron matter and neutron star structure

Auxiliary Field Diffusion Quantum Monte Carlo calculations of neutron matter and equation of state with Argonne and Urbana/Illinois NN + NNN forces.

Constraining the maximum mass and radius of neutron stars and the nuclear symmetry energy



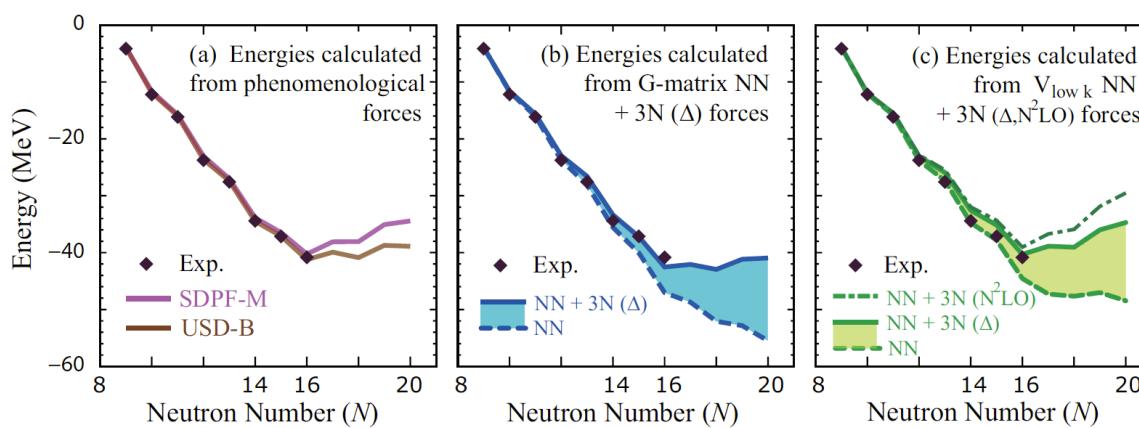
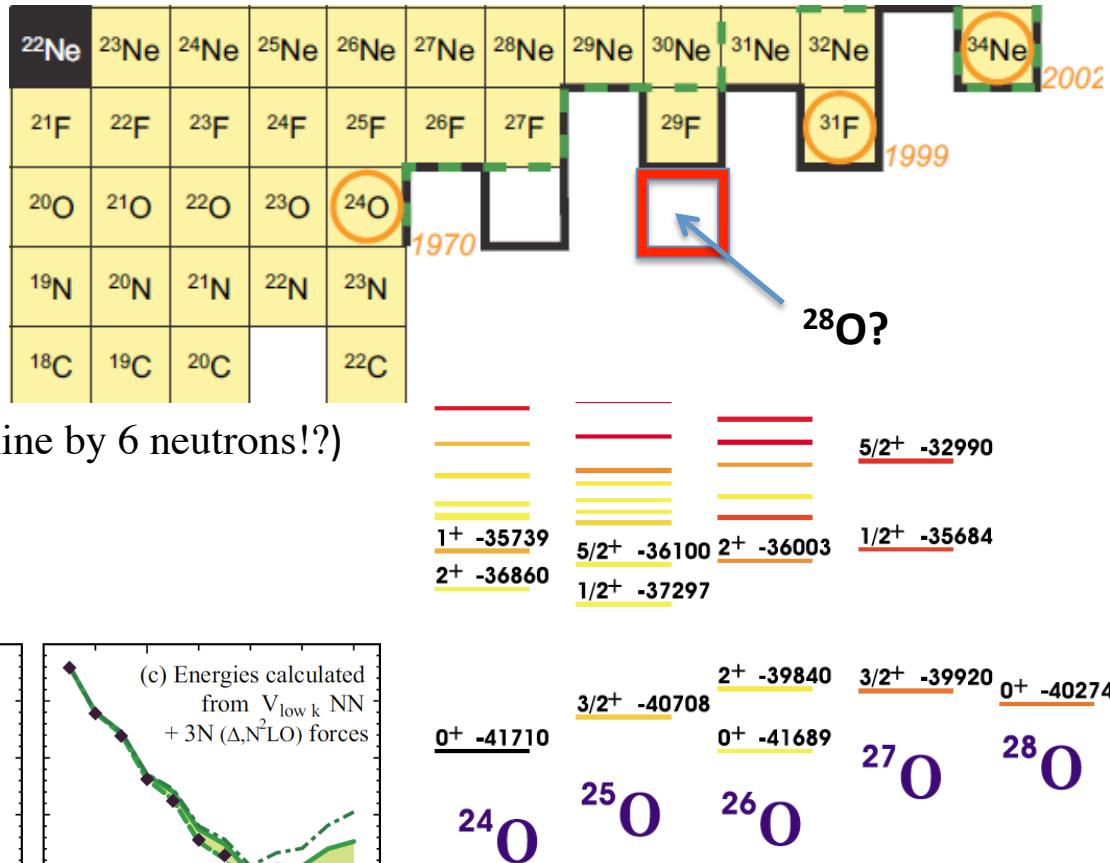
Gandolfi, Carlson, Reddy, PRC 85, 032801 (2012)

adapted from
Steiner, Gandolfi, PRL 108, 081102 (2012)

Is ^{28}O a bound nucleus?

Experimental situation

- “Last” stable oxygen isotope ^{24}O
- $^{25,26}\text{O}$ unstable (Hoffman et al 2008, Lunderberg et al 2012)
- ^{28}O not seen in experiments
- ^{31}F exists (adding on proton shifts drip line by 6 neutrons!?)

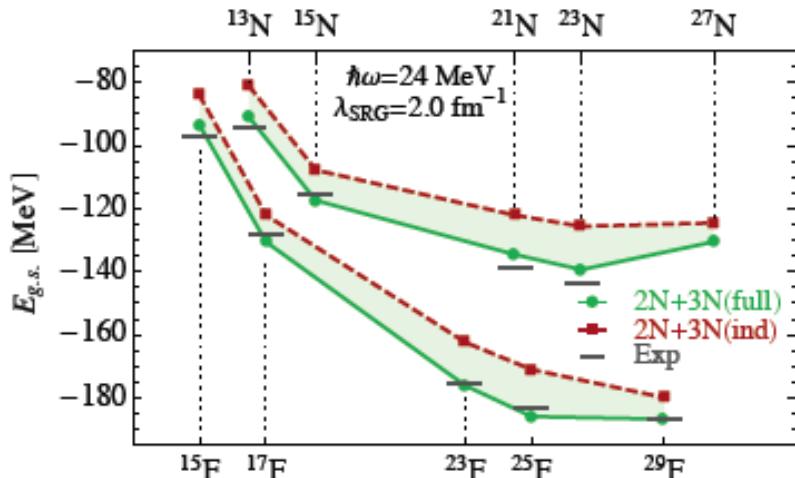


Shell model (sd shell) with monopole corrections based on three-nucleon force predicts $^{2\text{nd}}$ O as last stable isotope of oxygen. [Otsuka, Suzuki, Holt, Schwenk, Akaishi, PRL (2010), arXiv:0908.2607]

Continuum shell model with HBUSD interaction predict ^{28}O unbound. A. Volya and V. Zelevinsky PRL (2005)

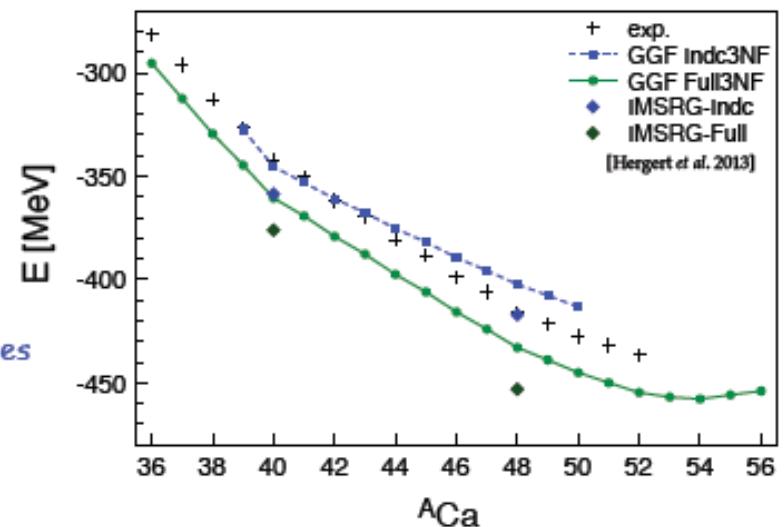
Ab-initio Gorkov–Green's function theory with 3NFs

A. Cipollone, CB, P. Navrátil, arXiv:1303.4900 [nucl-th], V. Somà, C.B., and T. Duguet, Phys. Rev. C87, 011303 (2013).



- 3NF included as density dep. NN forces (beyond normal ordering and all symmetry factors correct)
- Near-drippline Fluorine and Nitrogen isotopes significantly affected by $2-\pi$ /Fujita-Miyazawa terms
- Leading 3NF consistently bring results F and N close to experiment

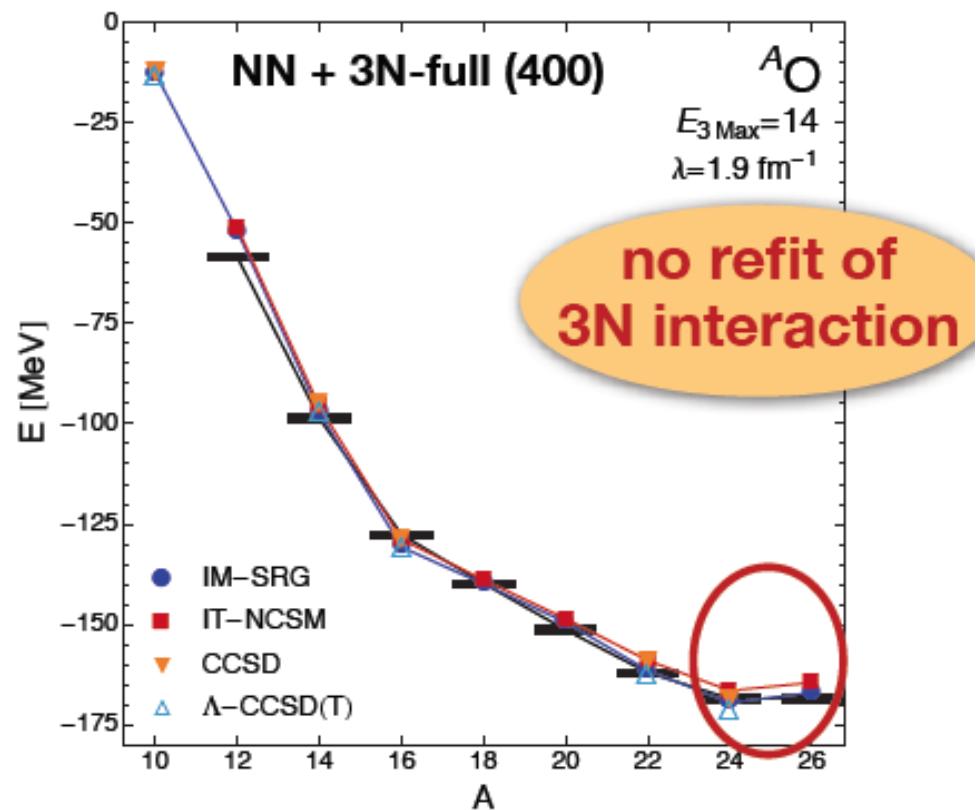
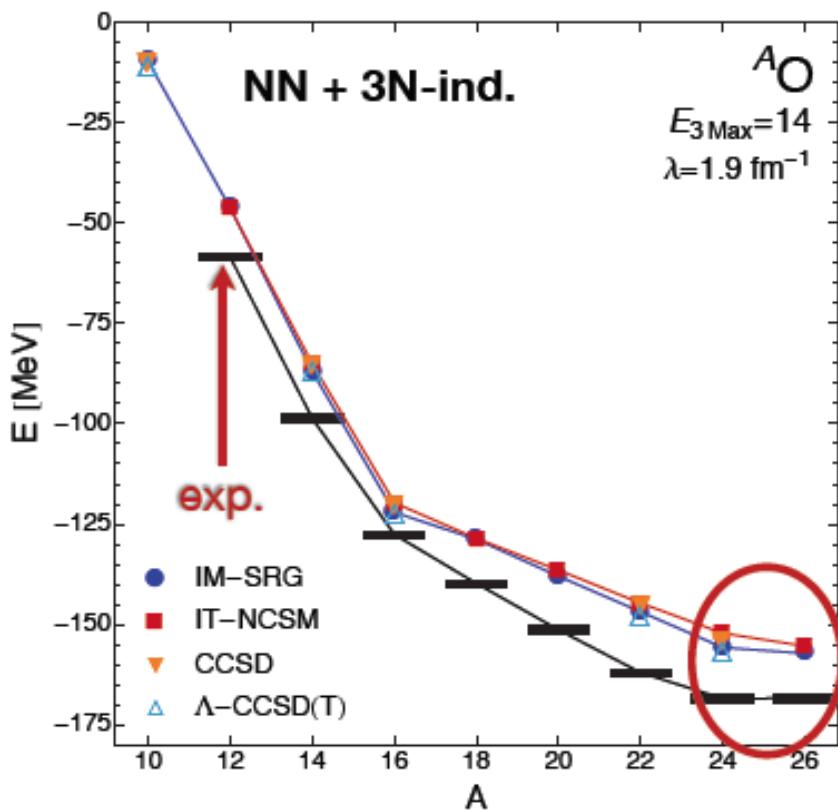
- Ab-initio studies of open-shell semi-magic isotopes have become reachable by breaking particle number symmetry.
- Good agreement with IM-SRG (quantitative when 3rd order included)
- Original leading 3NFs correct the curvature in Calcium isotopes



INDUCED Hamiltonian: N3LO ($\Lambda = 500$ Mev/c) chiral **NN** interaction evolved to 2N + 3N forces (2.0 fm $^{-1}$)

FULL Hamiltonian: N2LO ($\Lambda = 400$ Mev/c) chiral **3N** interaction evolved (2.0 fm $^{-1}$)
[from R. Roth et al., PRL (2012)]

Ab-initio computation of all even oxygen isotopes from multi-reference IM-SRG

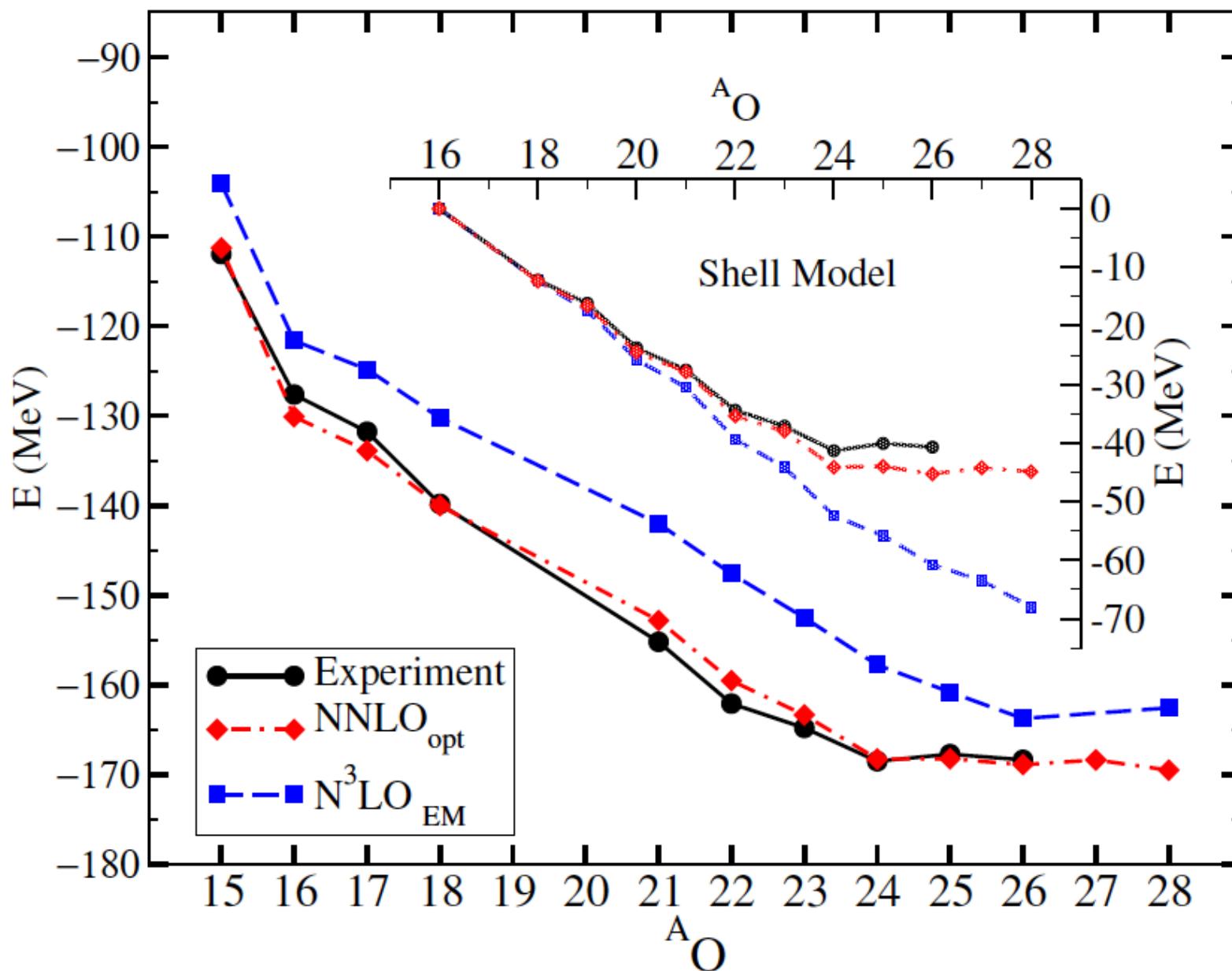


H. Hergert, S. Binder, A. Calci, J. Langhammer, R. Roth, arXiv: 1302.7294 [nucl-th]

- IM-SRG: decouple ground state from excitations via flow equations
- multi-reference formulation for open-shell nuclei
- agreement between different methods

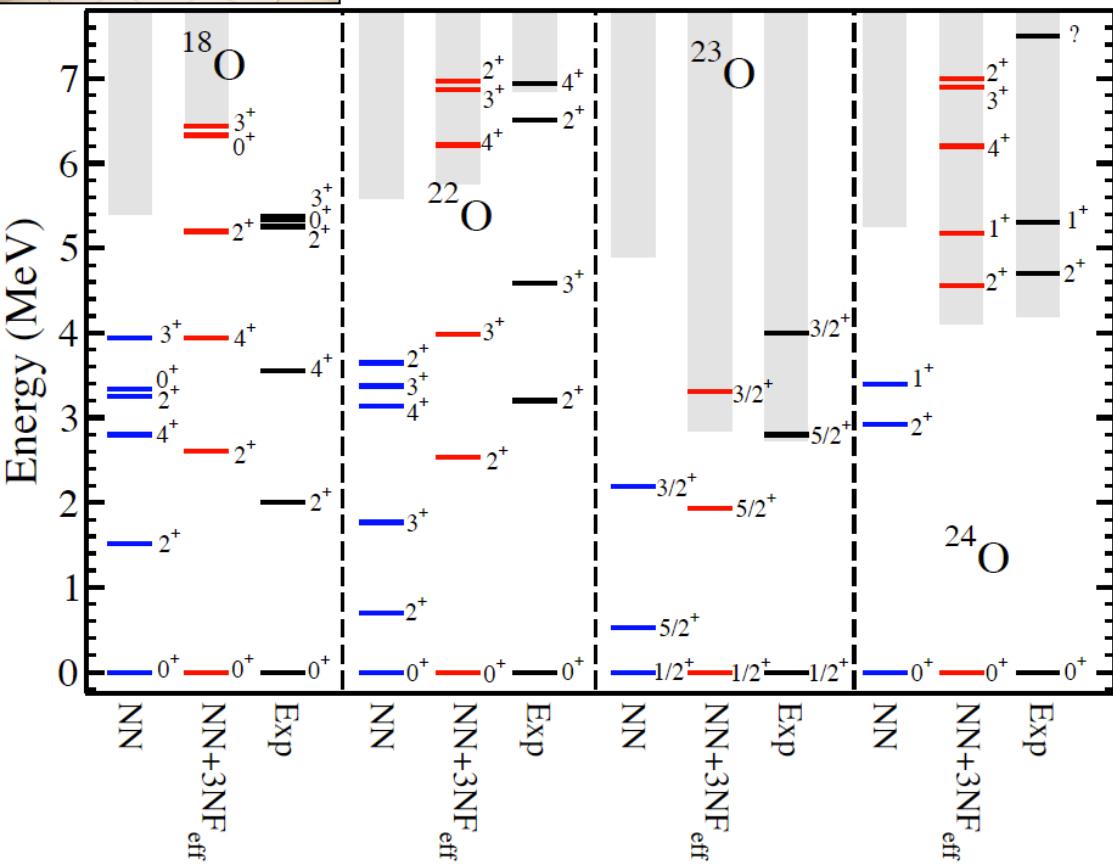
Oxygen isotopes from NNLO(POUNDerS)

A. Ekström et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 192502 (2013)



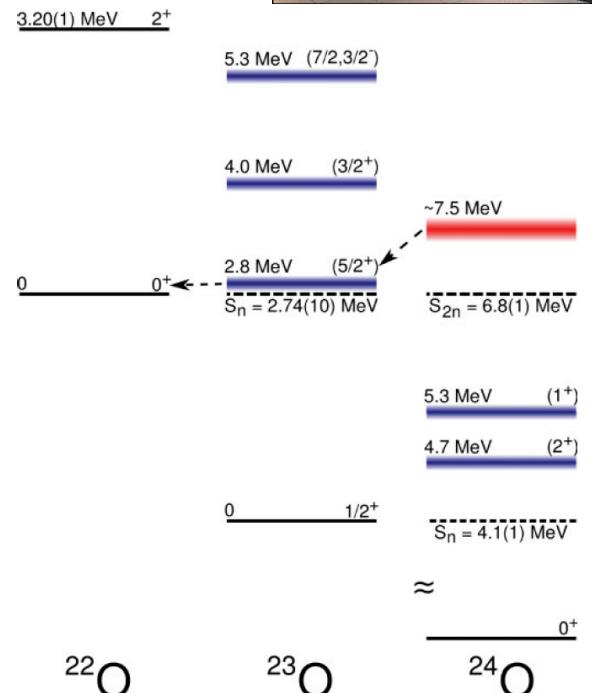


Excited states in neutron rich oxygen isotopes



Inclusion of schematic 3NFs:

$$k_F = 1.05 \text{ fm}^{-1}, c_E = 0.71, c_D = -0.2$$



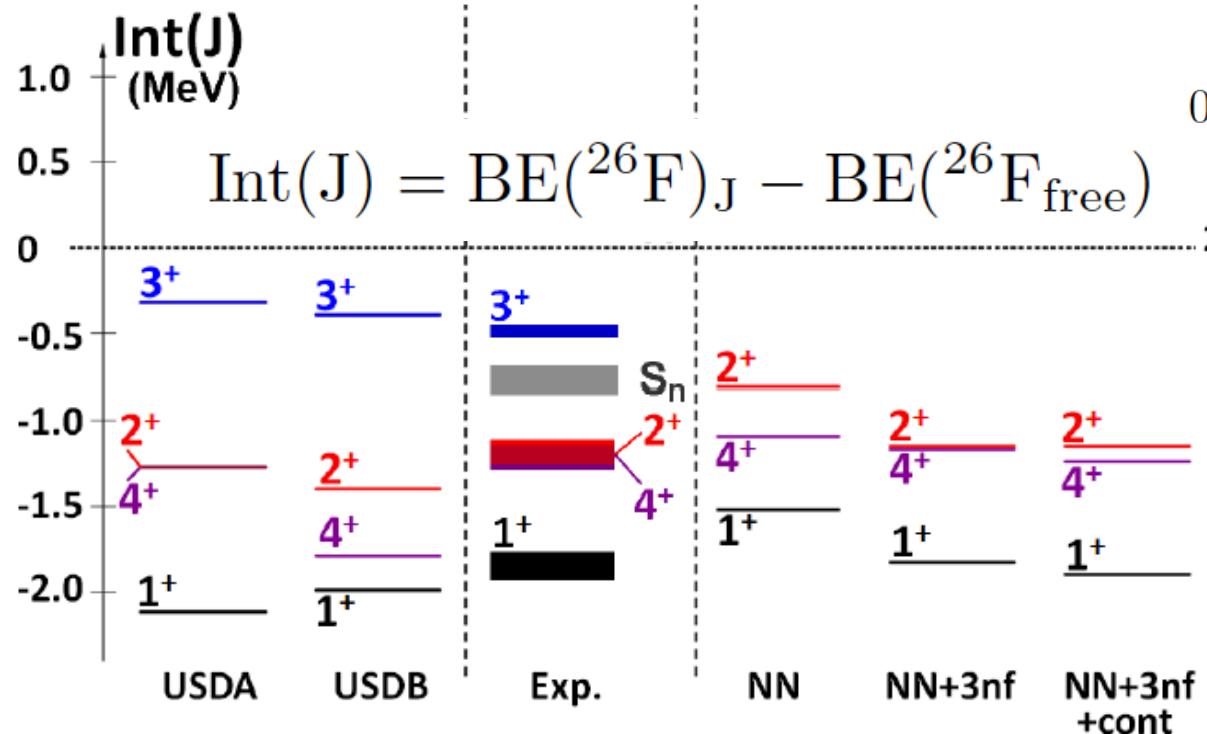
Experiment

[Hoffman et al., PRC 83, 031303 (2011)] Unbound states in ^{24}O populated by knockout from ^{26}F . Observation of ^{22}O and two-neutron cascade. Speculation: single resonance or superposition of states with $J^\pi = 1^+$ to 4^+ .

Computing open-shell Fluorine-26

$$(\bar{H} \hat{R}_\mu^{(A\pm 2)})_C |\Phi_0\rangle = \omega_\mu \hat{R}_\mu^{(A\pm 2)} |\Phi_0\rangle$$

$$\hat{R}^{(A+2)} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ba} r^{ab} a_a^\dagger a_b^\dagger + \frac{1}{6} \sum_{iabc} r_i^{abc} a_a^\dagger a_b^\dagger a_c^\dagger a_i + \dots$$



π -protons

ν -neutrons

$\nu 0d_{3/2}$

$\pi 0d_{5/2}$

$\nu 1s_{1/2}$

$\nu 0d_{5/2}$

0p

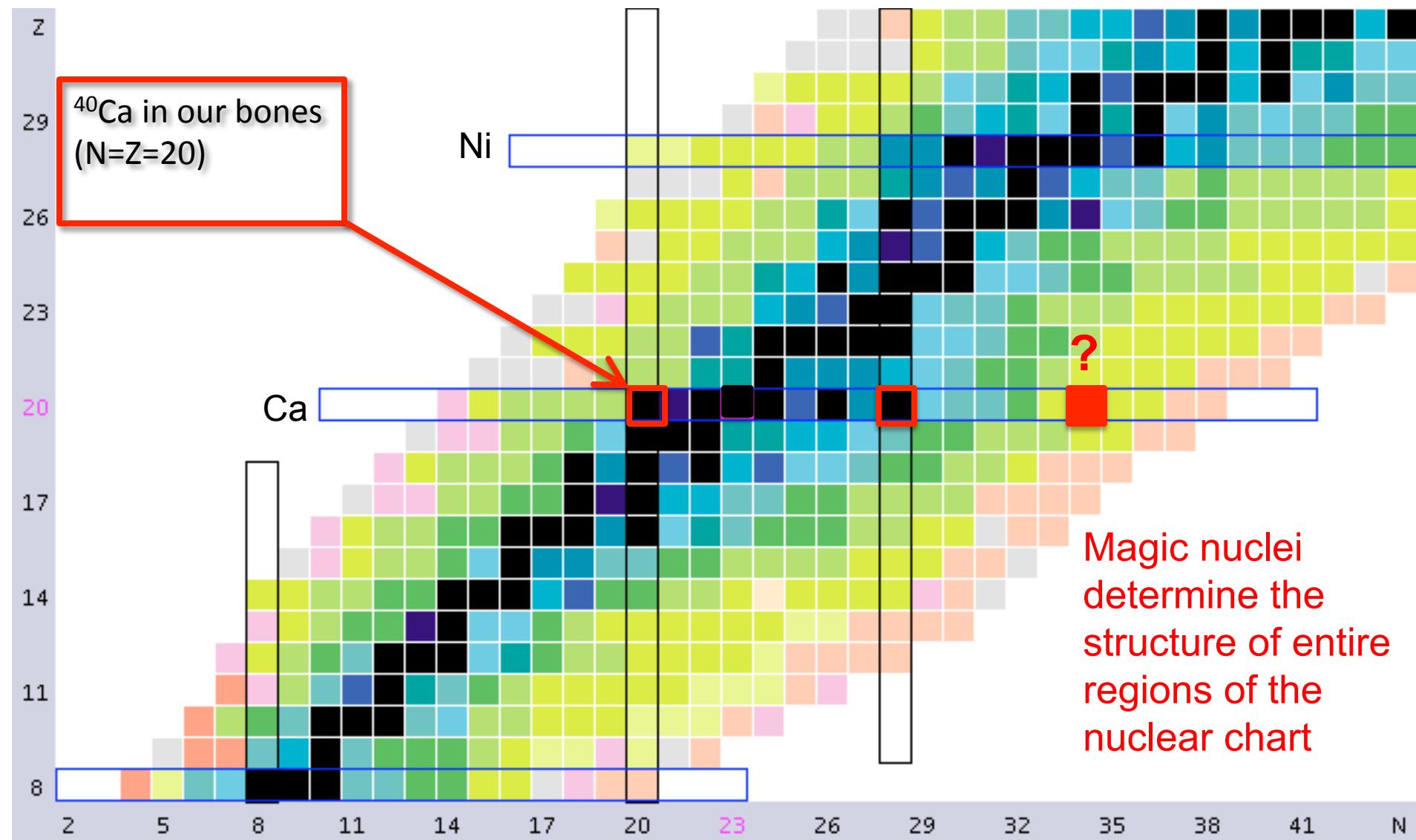
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$^{26}\text{F}_{\text{free}}$

Experimental spectra in ^{26}F compared with phenomenological USD shell-model calculations and coupled-cluster calculations

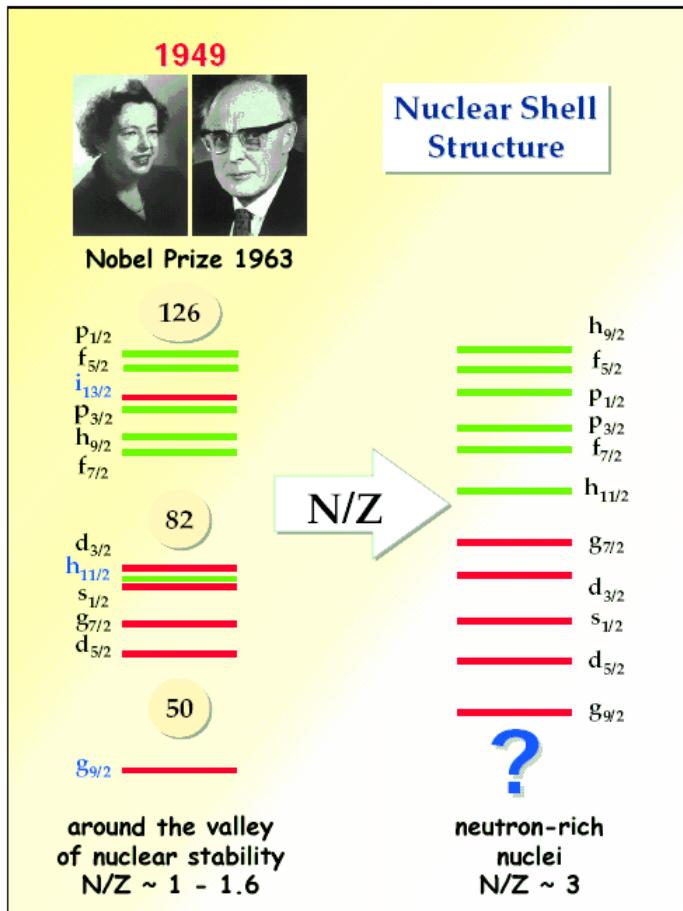
A. Lepailleur et al, PRL 110 082502 (2013)

Is ^{54}Ca a magic nucleus?

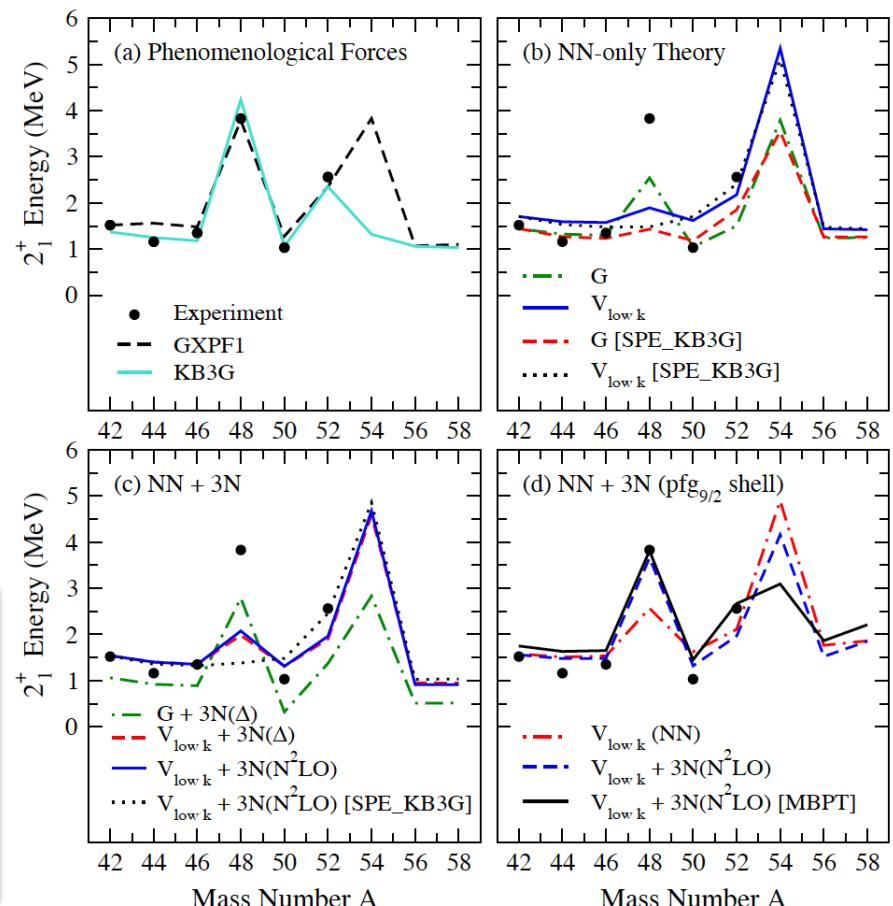


Magic nuclei
determine the
structure of entire
regions of the
nuclear chart

Evolution of shell structure in neutron rich Calcium



- How do shell closures and magic numbers evolve towards the dripline?
- Is the naïve shell model picture valid at the neutron dripline?



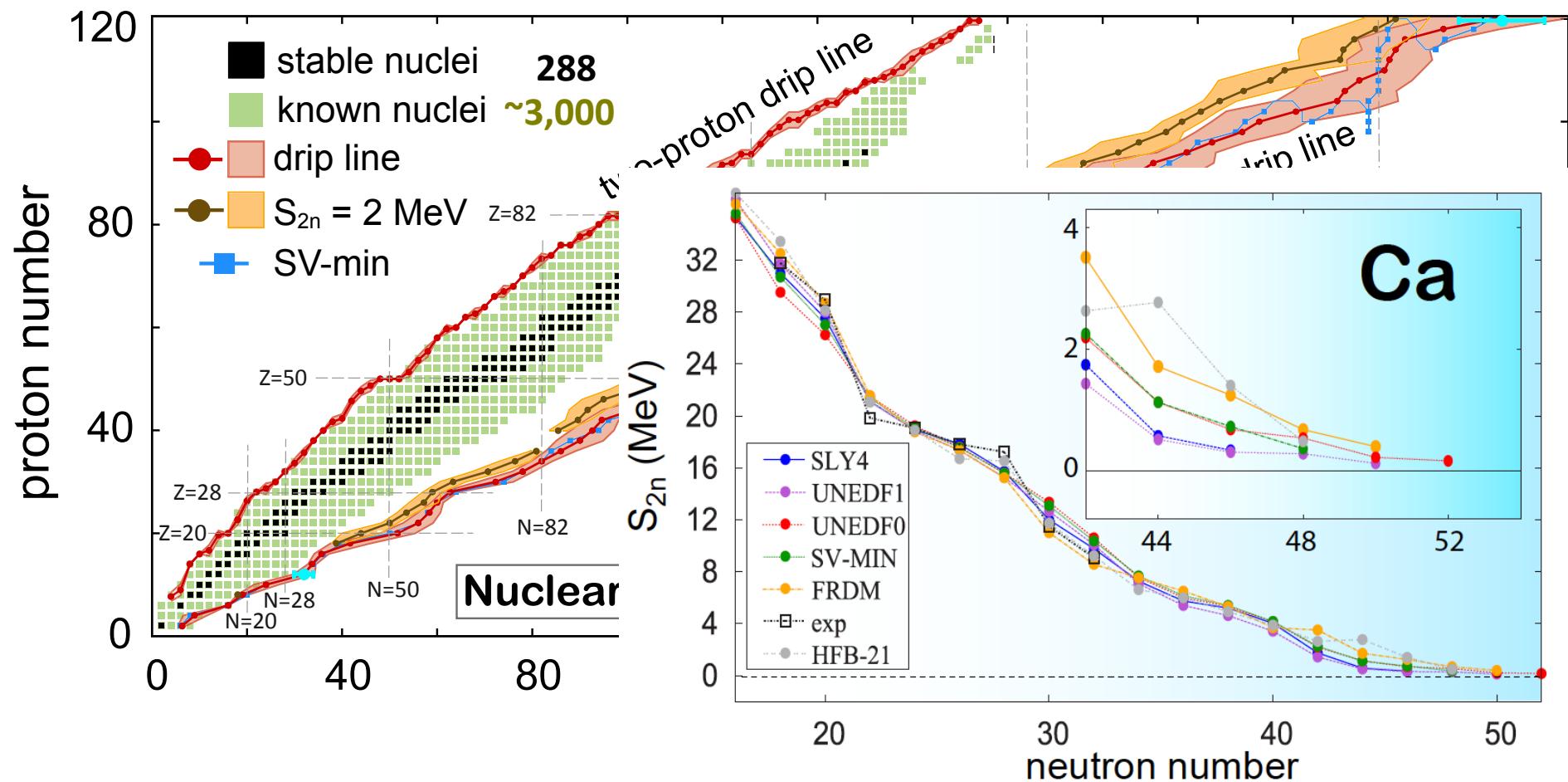
- What are the mechanisms responsible for shell closure in ^{48}Ca ?
- Different models give conflicting result for shell closure in ^{54}Ca .

J. D. Holt et al, J. Phys. G 39, 085111 (2012)

How many protons and neutrons can be bound in a nucleus?

Literature: 5,000-12,000

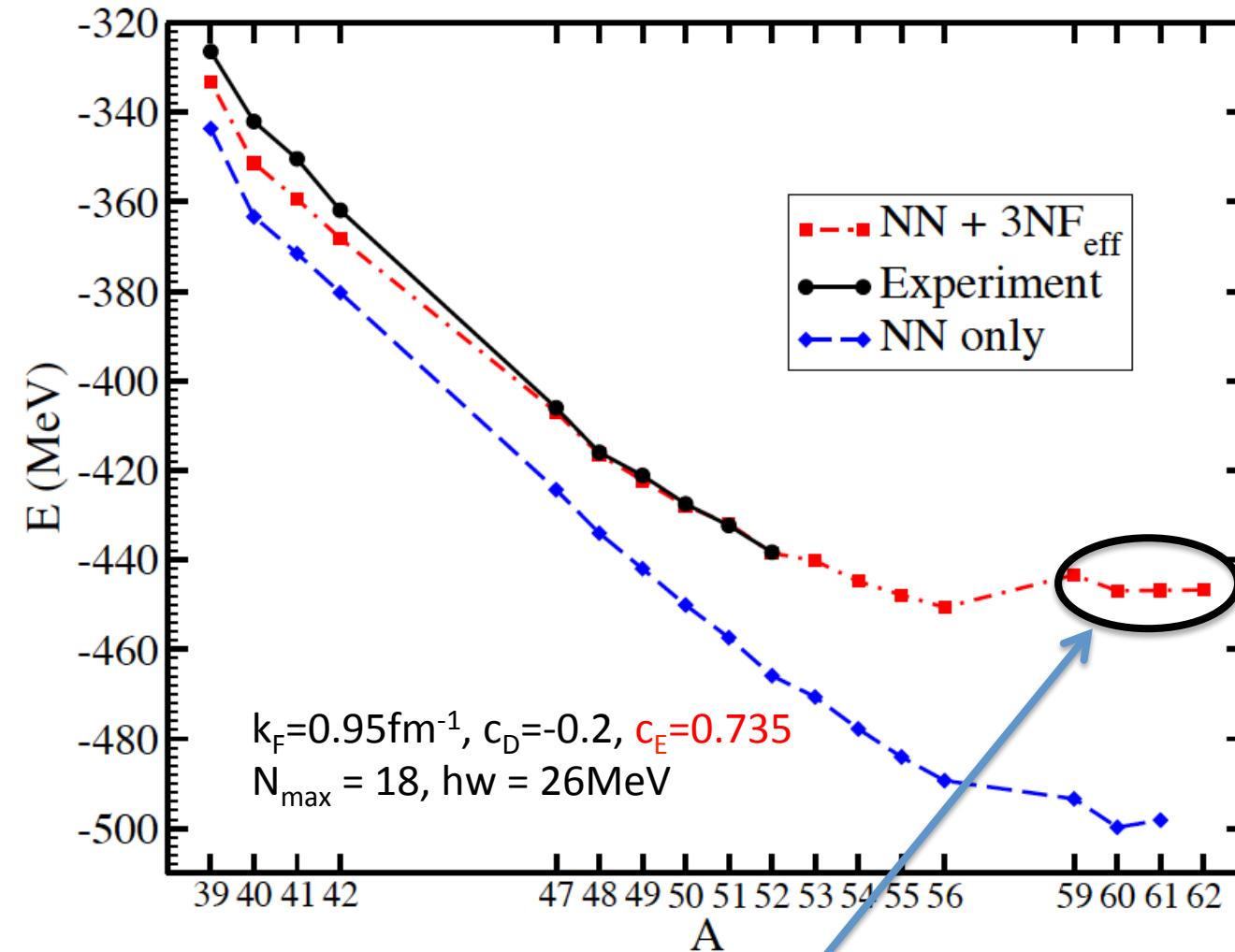
Skyrme-DFT: $6,900 \pm 500_{\text{syst}}$



Description of observables and model-based extrapolation

- Systematic errors (due to incorrect assumptions/poor modeling)
- Statistical errors (optimization and numerical errors)

Calcium isotopes from chiral interactions



NN forces from chiral
EFT and in-medium
effective 3NF: $k_F=0.95$
 fm^{-1} , $c_E=0.735$, $c_D=-0.2$

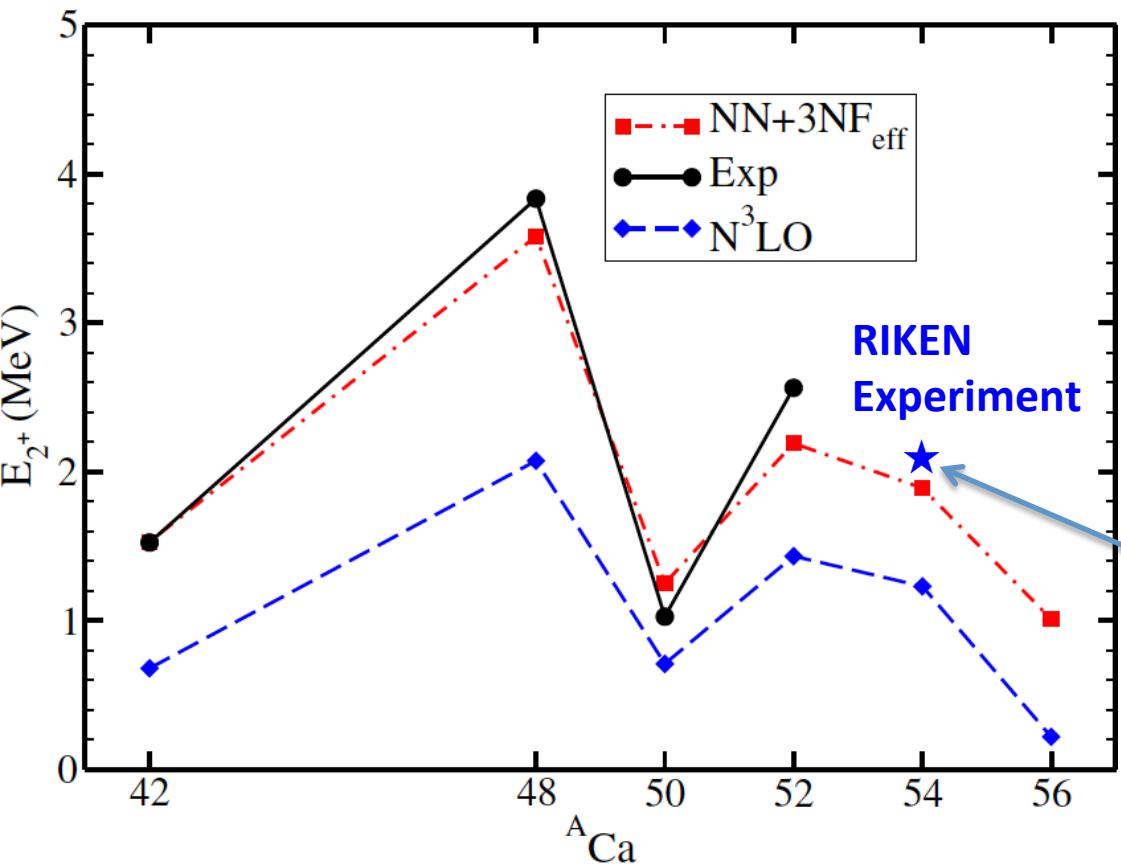
Main Features:

1. Energies agree well with experimental masses.
2. ^{60}Ca is not magic
3. $^{61-62}\text{Ca}$ are located right at threshold.

See also:

Meng et al PRC 65, 041302 (2002), Lenzi et al PRC 82, 054301 (2010) and Erler et al, Nature 486, 509 (2012)

Is ^{54}Ca a magic nucleus? (Is N=34 a magic number?)



Main Features:

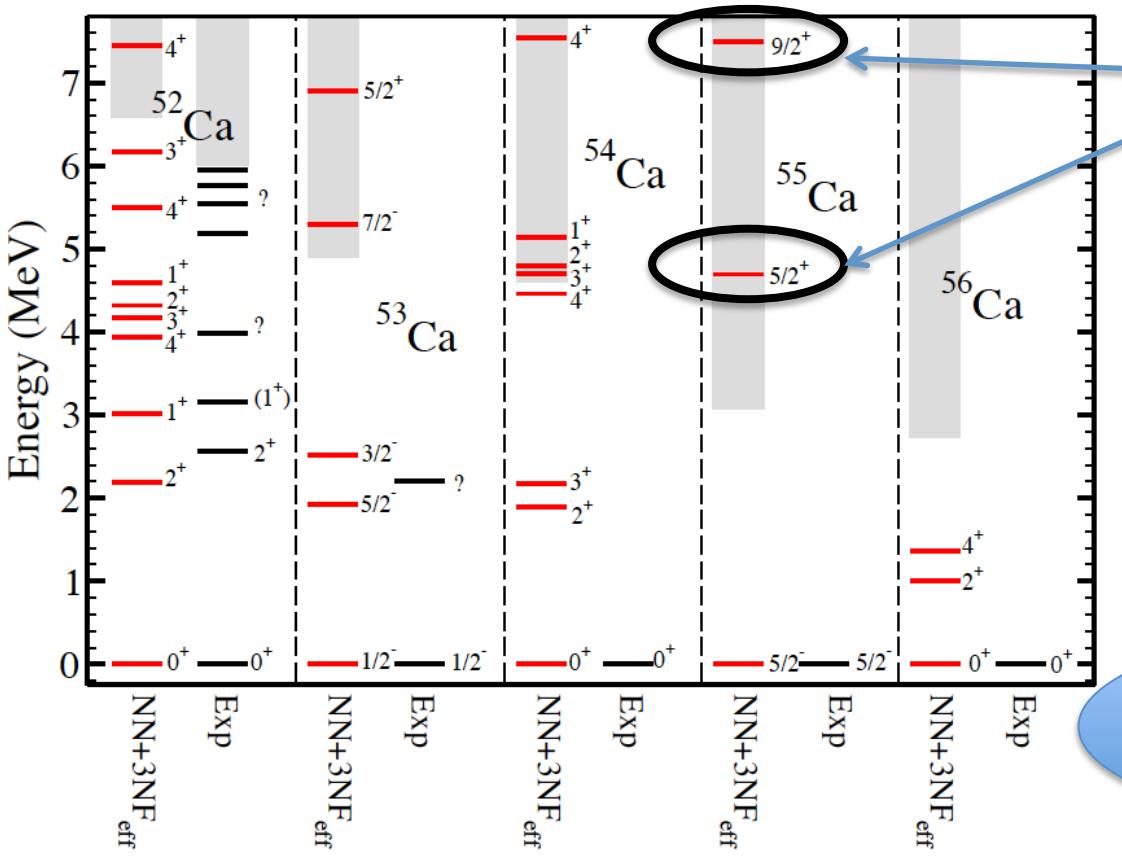
1. Good agreement between theory and experiment.
2. Shell closure in ^{48}Ca due to effects of 3NFs
3. Predict weak (sub-)shell closure in ^{54}Ca .

Measurement at RIKEN (Japan) agrees with theoretical prediction.

G. Hagen, M. Hjorth-Jensen, G. R. Jansen, R. Machleidt, T. Papenbrock, Phys. Rev. Lett. 109, 032502 (2012).

	^{48}Ca			^{52}Ca			^{54}Ca		
	2^+	4^+	$4^+/2^+$	2^+	4^+	$4^+/2^+$	2^+	4^+	$4^+/2^+$
CC	3.58	4.20	1.17	2.19	3.95	1.80	1.89	4.46	2.36
Exp	3.83	4.50	1.17	2.56	?	?	?	?	?

Spectra and shell evolution in Calcium isotopes



1. Inversion of the $9/2^+$ and $5/2^+$ resonant states in $^{53,55,61}\text{Ca}$
2. We find the ground state of ^{61}Ca to be $1/2^+$ located right at threshold.
3. A harmonic oscillator basis gives the naïve shell model ordering of states.

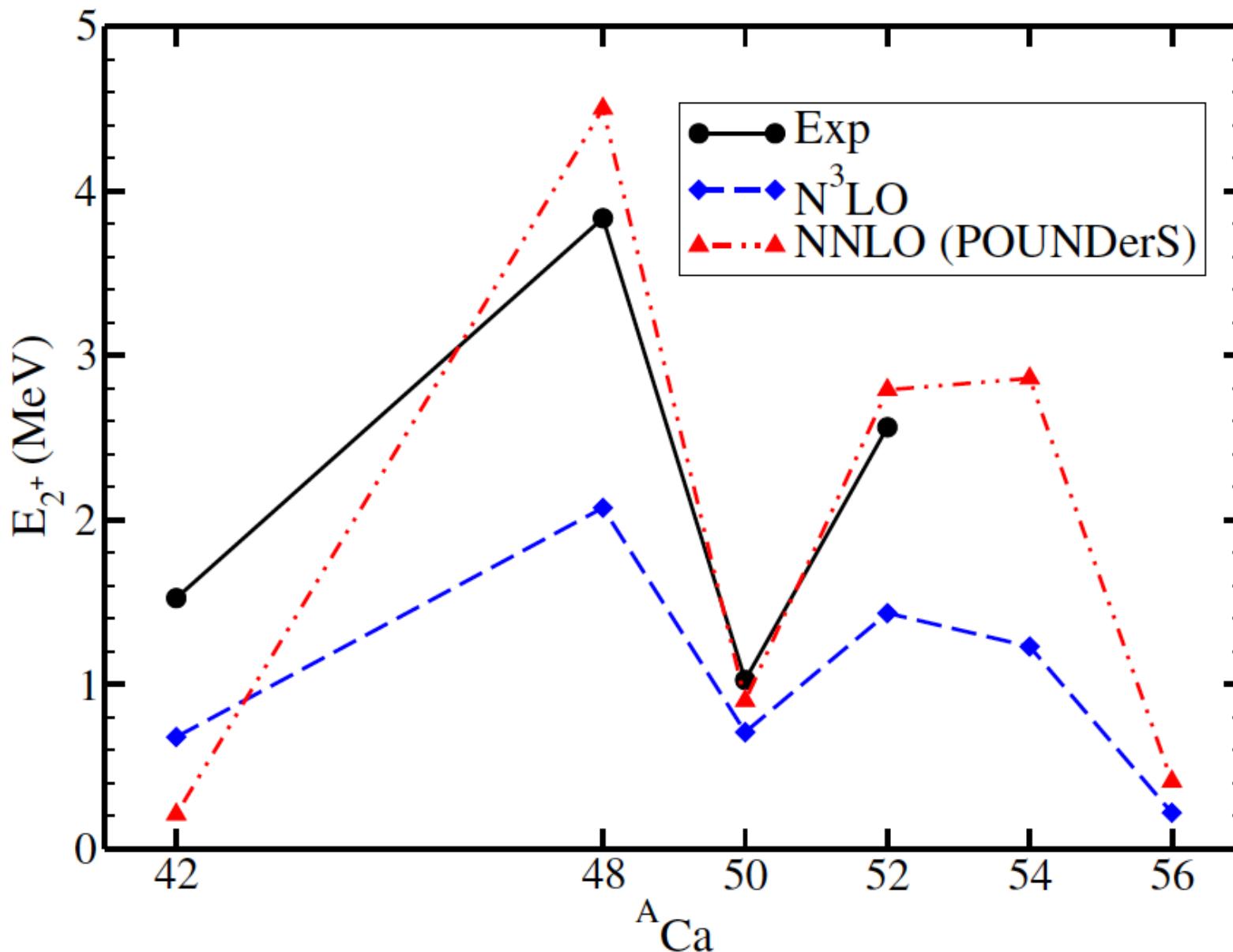
**Continuum coupling
is crucial!**

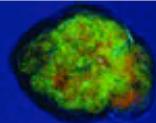
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	^{48}Ca	^{52}Ca	^{54}Ca
$E_{2^+}(\text{CC})$	3.58	2.19	1.89
$E_{2^+}(\text{Exp})$	3.83	2.56	n.a.
$E_{4^+}/E_{2^+}(\text{CC})$	1.17	1.80	2.36
$E_{4^+}/E_{2^+}(\text{Exp})$	1.17	n.a.	n.a.
$S_n(\text{CC})$	9.45	6.59	4.59
$S_n(\text{Exp})$	9.95	6.0*	4.0†

	^{53}Ca		^{55}Ca		^{61}Ca	
J^π	Re[E]	Γ	Re[E]	Γ	Re[E]	Γ
$5/2^+$	1.99	1.97	1.63	1.33	1.14	0.62
$9/2^+$	4.75	0.28	4.43	0.23	2.19	0.02

Shell evolution in Calcium isotopes from NNLO(POUNDerS)

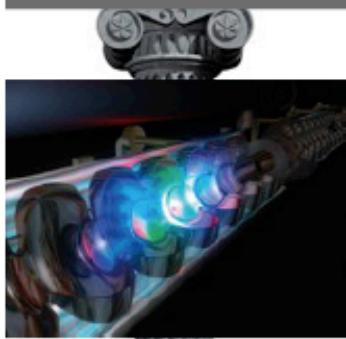




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*High Performance Computing provides answer
experiment nor analytic theory can
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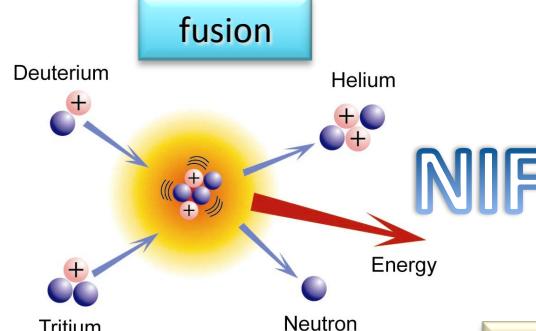


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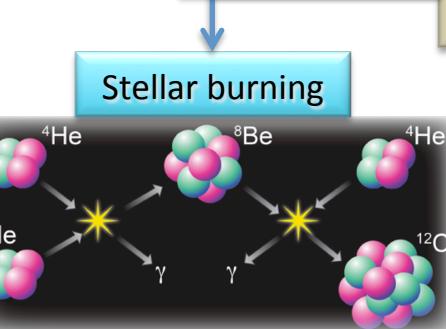
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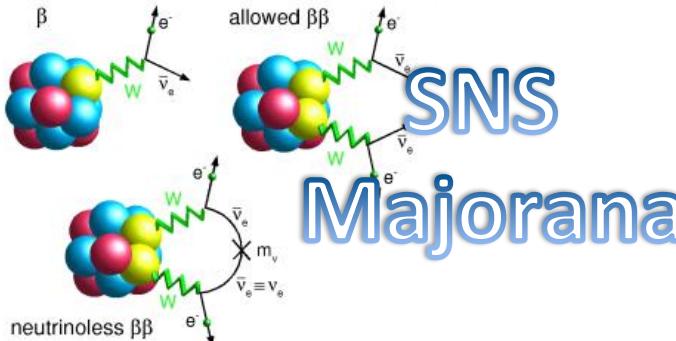
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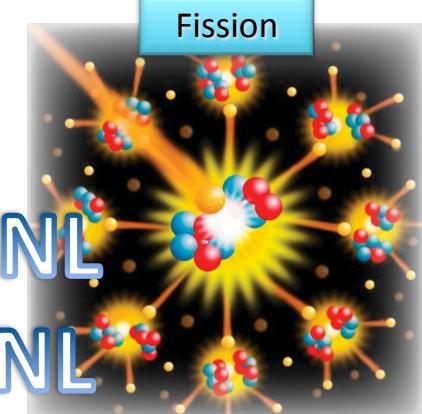
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Summary

- Super computing is an essential part of nuclear theory
- Purpose: Understanding of complex processes, guidance of experiment, and predictions into *terra incognita*
- Suite of *ab initio* methods: complementary and competing
- Aim: anchor low-energy nuclear theory into theory of strong interactions, with reliable predictions
- Quantification of theoretical uncertainties on the horizon
- Collaboration between nuclear theorists, and computer scientists and applied mathematicians crucial and most beneficial

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BiRtHdAy!



Excited states in oxygen isotopes from NNLO(POUNDerS)

