

Microscopic Shell-Model Calculations in the sd-shell

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Towards a unified description of the nucleus

The goal of nuclear structure theory:

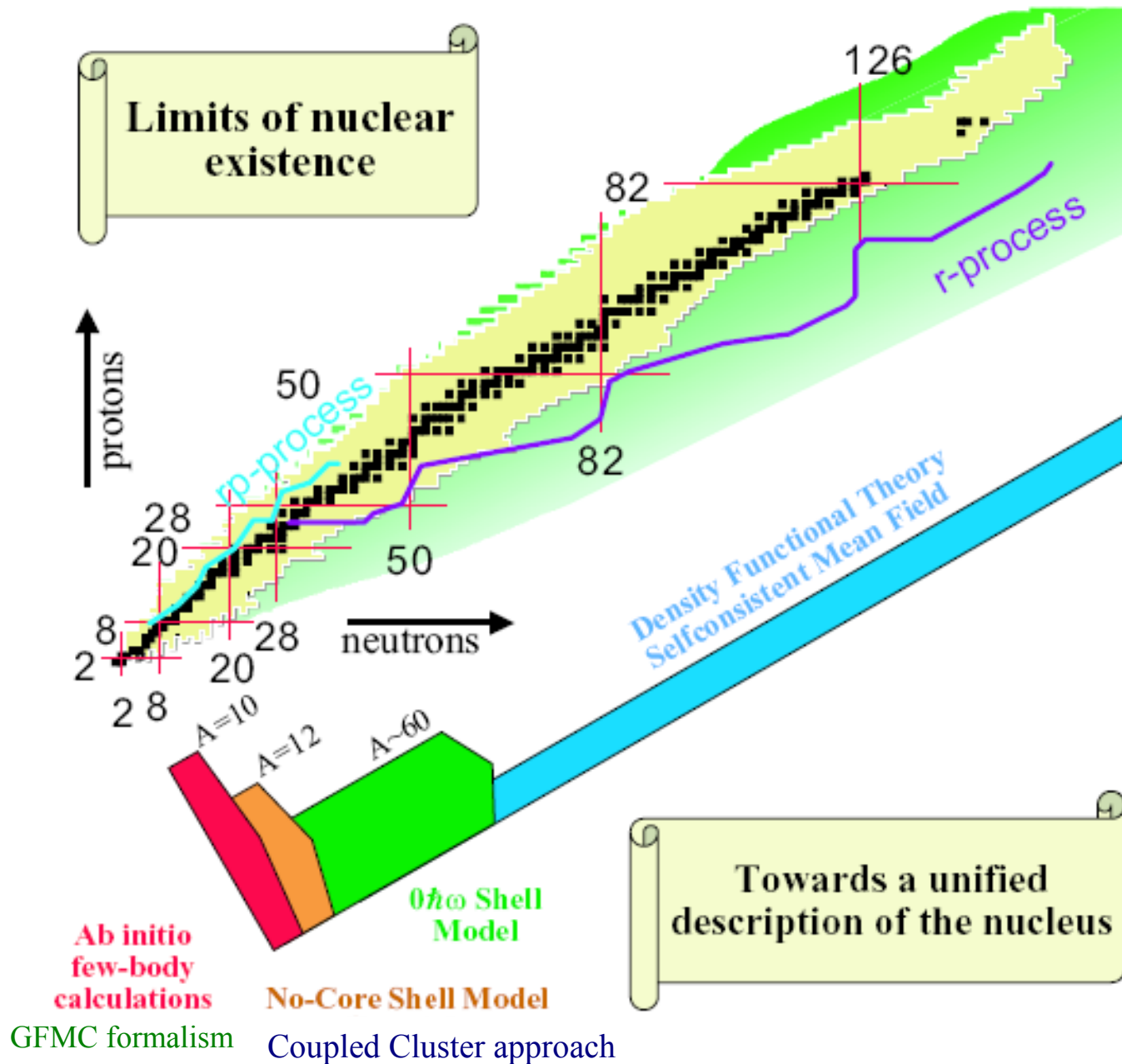
exact treatment of nuclei based on NN, NNN,... interactions

⇒ need to build a bridge between:

ab initio few-body & light nuclei calculations: $A \lesssim 24$

$0\hbar\Omega$ Shell Model calculations: $16 \leq A \leq 60$

Density Functional Theory calculations: $A \geq 60$



OUTLINE

I. Brief Overview of the No Core Shell Model (NCSM)

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IV. Summary/Outlook

I. Brief Overview of the No Core Shell Model (NCSM)

No Core Shell Model

“*Ab Initio*” approach to microscopic nuclear structure calculations, in which all A nucleons are treated as being active.

Want to solve the A-body Schrödinger equation

$$H_A \Psi^A = E_A \Psi^A$$

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From few-body to many-body

Ab initio
No Core Shell Model

Flow chart for a standard
NCSM calculation

Realistic NN & NNN forces

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graph TD; A[Realistic NN & NNN forces] --> B[Effective interactions in cluster approximation]; B --> C[Diagonalization of many-body Hamiltonian]; C --> D[Many-body experimental data];
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Effective interactions in
cluster approximation

Diagonalization of
many-body Hamiltonian

Many-body experimental data

No-Core Shell-Model Approach

- Start with the purely intrinsic Hamiltonian

$$H_A = T_{rel} + \mathcal{V} = \frac{1}{A} \sum_{i < j=1}^A \frac{(\vec{p}_i - \vec{p}_j)^2}{2m} + \sum_{i < j=1}^A V_{NN} \left(+ \sum_{i < j < k}^A V_{ijk}^{3b} \right)$$

Note: There are no phenomenological s.p. energies!

Can use any
NN potentials

Coordinate space: Argonne V8', AV18
Nijmegen I, II

Momentum space: CD Bonn, EFT Idaho

No-Core Shell-Model Approach

- Next, add CM harmonic-oscillator Hamiltonian

$$H_{CM}^{HO} = \frac{\vec{P}^2}{2Am} + \frac{1}{2}Am\Omega^2\vec{R}^2; \quad \vec{R} = \frac{1}{A}\sum_{i=1}^A\vec{r}_i, \quad \vec{P} = Am\dot{\vec{R}}$$

To H_A , yielding

$$H_A^\Omega = \sum_{i=1}^A \left[\frac{\vec{p}_i^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2}m\Omega^2\vec{r}_i^2 \right] + \underbrace{\sum_{i<j=1}^A \left[V_{NN}(\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j) - \frac{m\Omega^2}{2A}(\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j)^2 \right]}_{V_{ij}}$$

Defines a basis (*i.e.* **HO**) for evaluating V_{ij}

Effective Interaction

- Must truncate to a **finite** model space $V_{ij} \dashrightarrow V_{ij}^{\text{effective}}$
- In general, V_{ij}^{eff} is an A -body interaction
- We want to make an a -body cluster approximation

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}^{(I)} + \mathcal{H}^{(A)} \quad \underset{a < A}{\approx} \quad \mathcal{H}^{(I)} + \mathcal{H}^{(a)}$$

Effective interaction in a projected model space

$$H\Psi_\alpha = E_\alpha\Psi_\alpha \quad \text{where} \quad H = \sum_{i=1}^A t_i + \sum_{i<j}^A v_{ij}.$$

$$\mathcal{H}\Phi_\beta = E_\beta\Phi_\beta$$

$$\Phi_\beta = P\Psi_\beta$$

P is a projection operator from S into \mathcal{S}

$$\langle \tilde{\Phi}_\gamma | \Phi_\beta \rangle = \delta_{\gamma\beta}$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \sum_{\beta \in \mathcal{S}} |\Phi_\beta\rangle E_\beta \langle \tilde{\Phi}_\beta|$$

Effective Hamiltonian for NCSM

Solving

$$\mathbf{H}_{A,a=2}^{\Omega} \Psi_{a=2} = \mathbf{E}_{A,a=2}^{\Omega} \Psi_{a=2}$$

in "infinite space" $2n+1 = 450$
relative coordinates

$P + Q = 1$; P – model space; Q – excluded space;

$$E_{A,2}^{\Omega} = U_2 H_{A,2}^{\Omega} U_2^{\dagger}$$

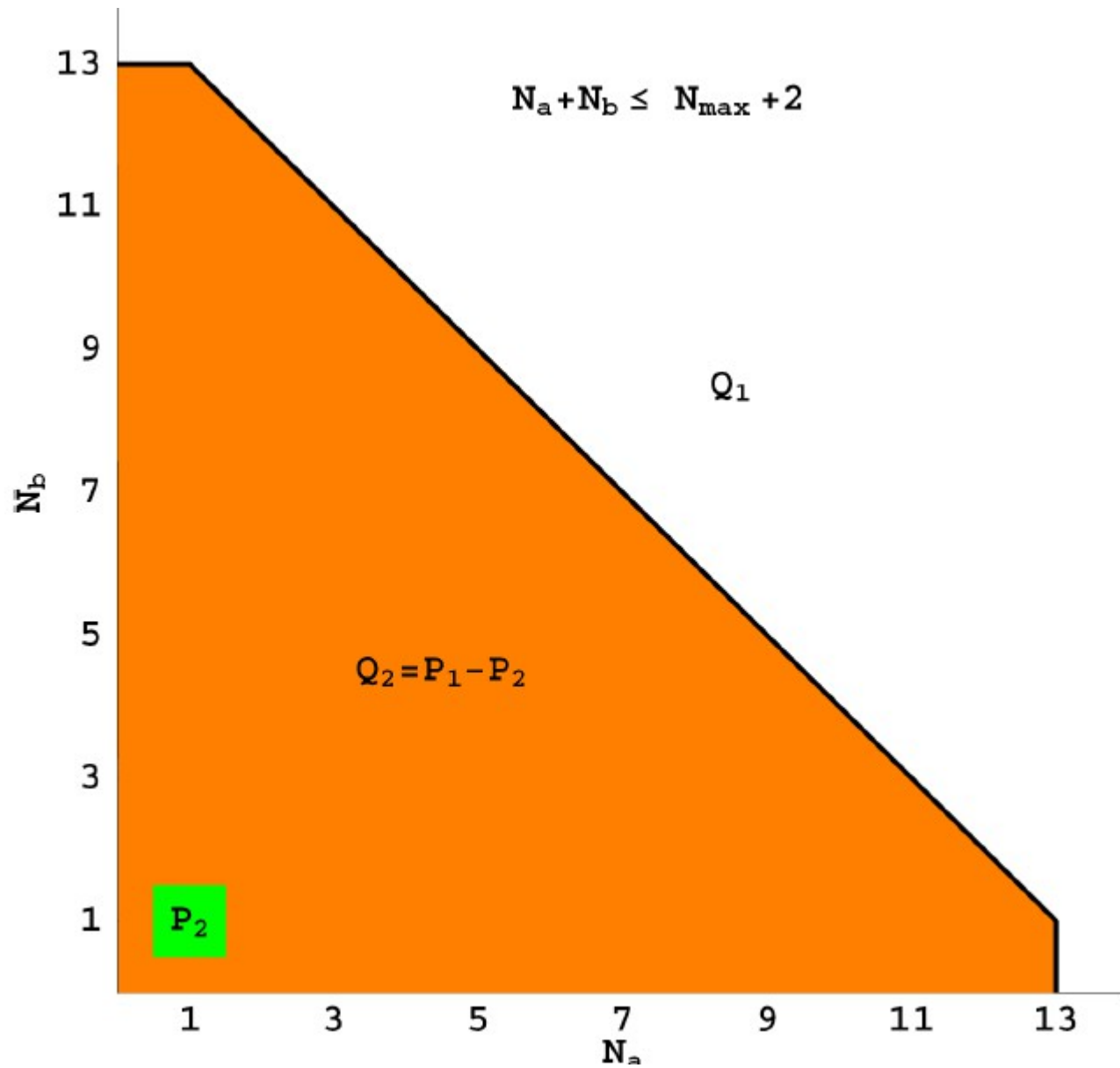
$$U_2 = \begin{pmatrix} U_{2,P} & U_{2,PQ} \\ U_{2,QP} & U_{2,Q} \end{pmatrix} \quad E_{A,2}^{\Omega} = \begin{pmatrix} E_{A,2,P}^{\Omega} & 0 \\ 0 & E_{A,2,Q}^{\Omega} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H_{A,2}^{N_{\max}, \Omega, \text{eff}} = \frac{U_{2,P}^{\dagger}}{\sqrt{U_{2,P}^{\dagger} U_{2,P}}} E_{A,2,P}^{\Omega} \frac{U_{2,P}}{\sqrt{U_{2,P}^{\dagger} U_{2,P}}}$$

Two ways of convergence:

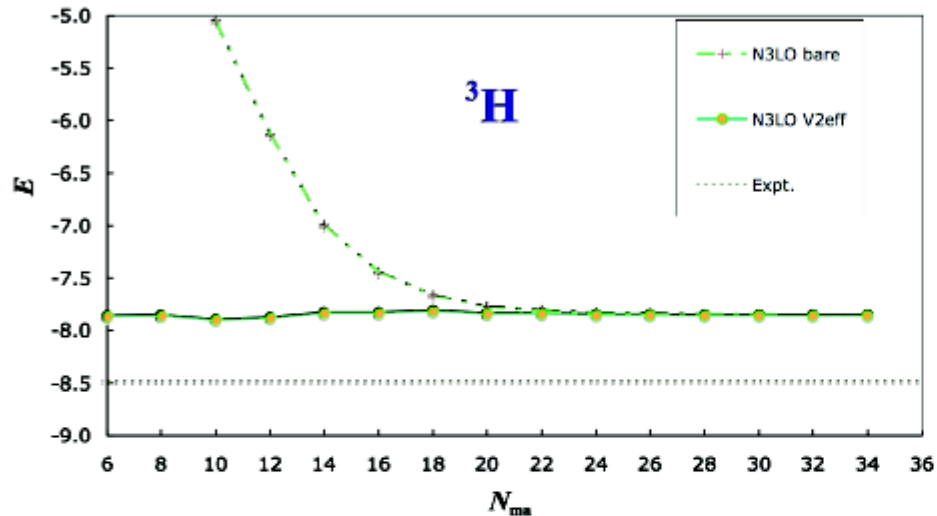
1) For $P \rightarrow 1$ and fixed a : $\tilde{H}_{A,a=2}^{\text{eff}} \rightarrow H_A$

2) For $a \rightarrow A$ and fixed P : $\tilde{H}_{A,a}^{\text{eff}} \rightarrow H_A$



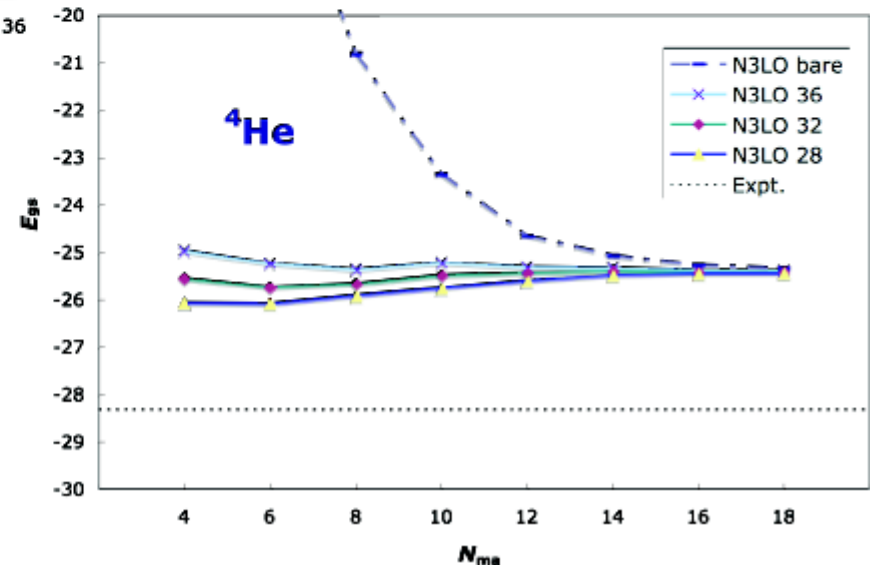
- NCSM convergence test

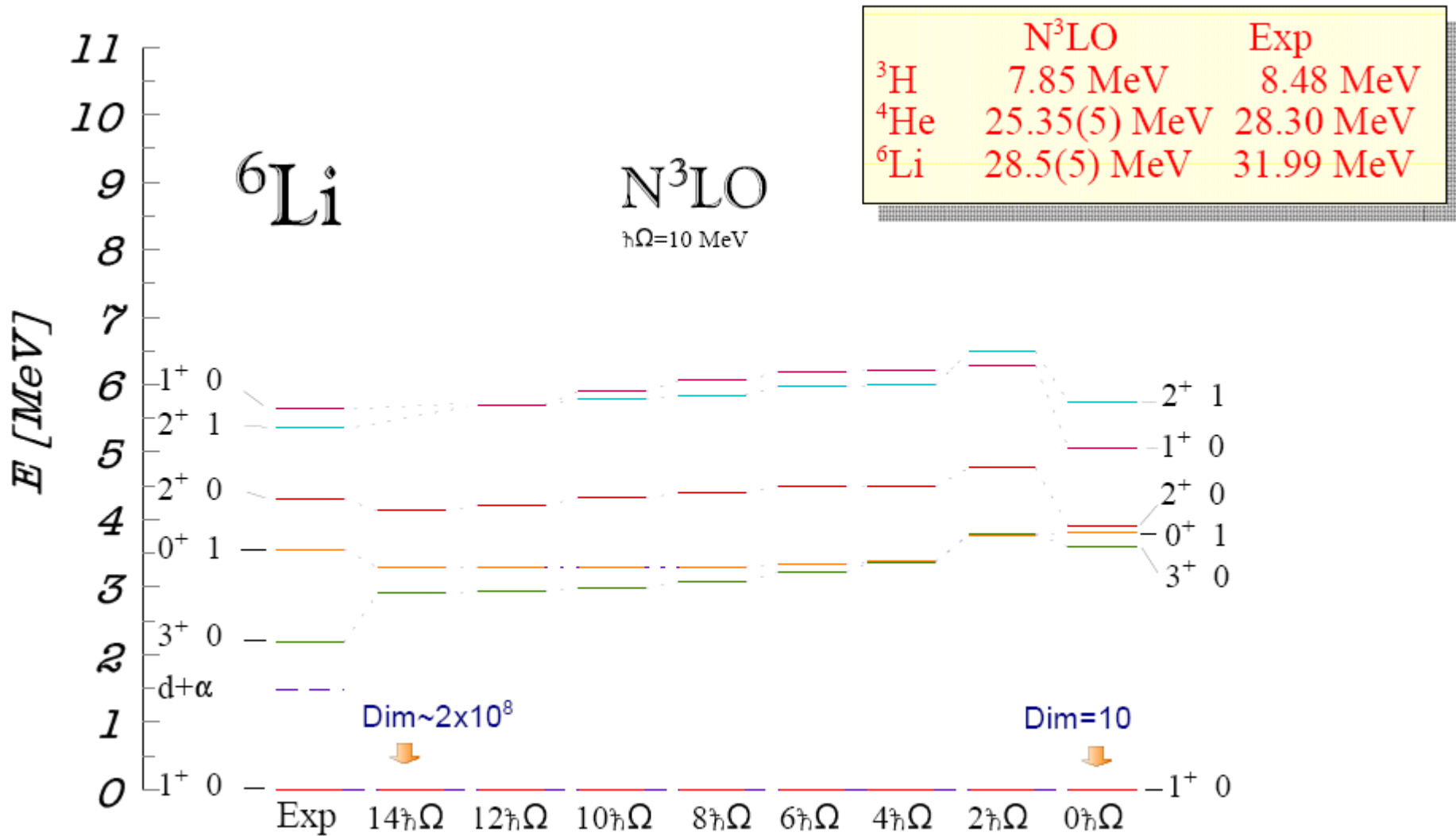
- Comparison to other methods

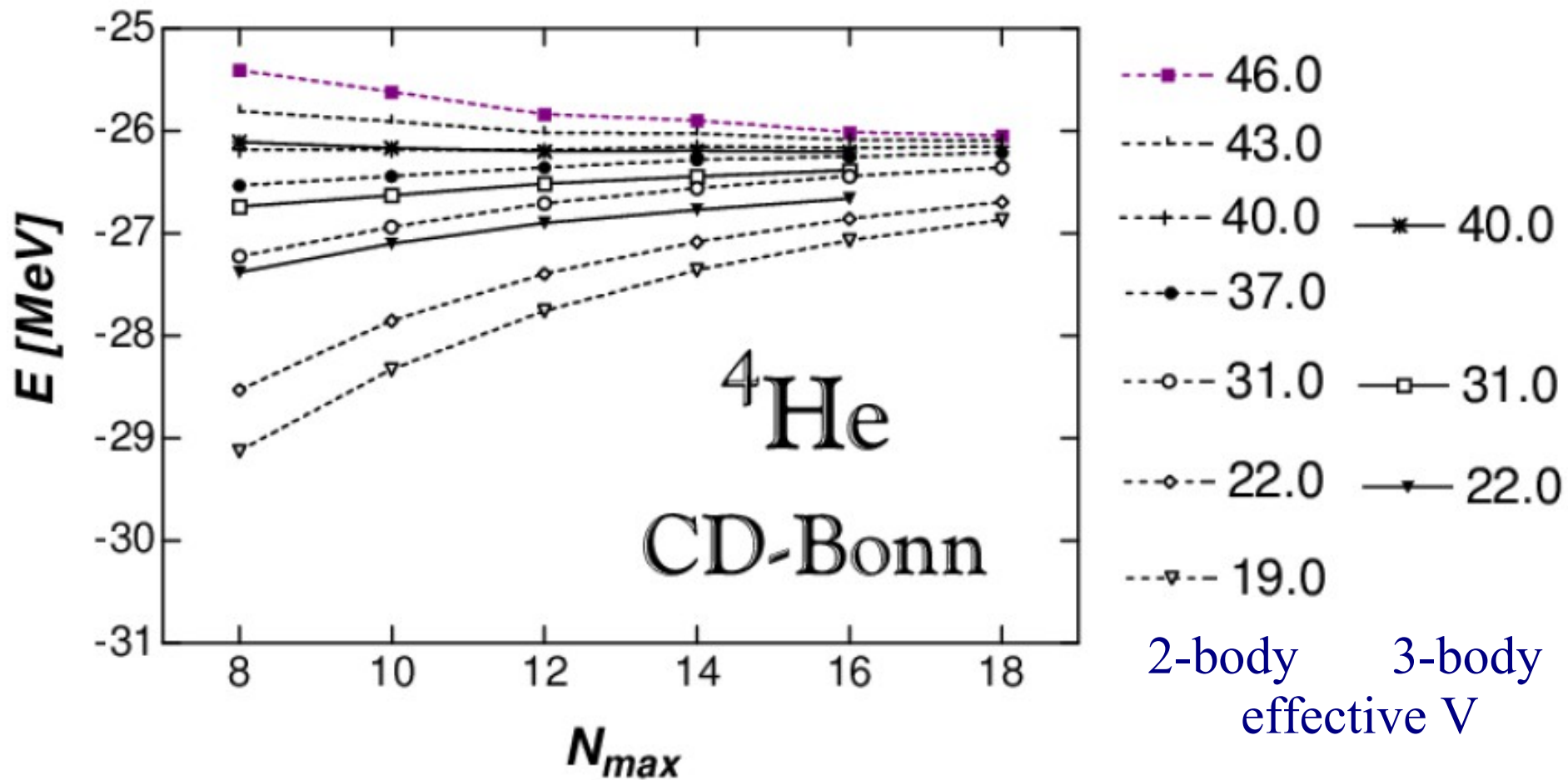


$\text{N}^3\text{LO NN}$	NCSM	FY	HH
${}^3\text{H}$	7.852(5)	7.854	7.854
${}^4\text{He}$	25.39(1)	25.37	25.38

- Short-range correlations \Rightarrow effective interaction
- Medium-range correlations \Rightarrow multi- $h\Omega$ model space
- Dependence on
 - size of the model space (N_{max})
 - HO frequency ($h\Omega$)
- Not a variational calculation
- Convergence OK
- NN interaction insufficient to reproduce experiment







II. Ab Initio Shell Model with a Core Approach

From few-body to many-body

Using the NCSM to calculate the shell model input

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Ab-initio shell model with a core

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We construct effective two- and three-body Hamiltonians for the p -shell by performing $12\hbar\Omega$ *ab initio* no-core shell model (NCSM) calculations for $A = 6$ and 7 nuclei and explicitly projecting the many-body Hamiltonians onto the $0\hbar\Omega$ space. We then separate these effective Hamiltonians into inert core, one- and two-body contributions (also three-body for $A = 7$) and analyze the systematic behavior of these different parts as a function of the mass number A and size of the NCSM basis space. The role of effective three- and higher-body interactions for $A > 6$ is investigated and discussed.

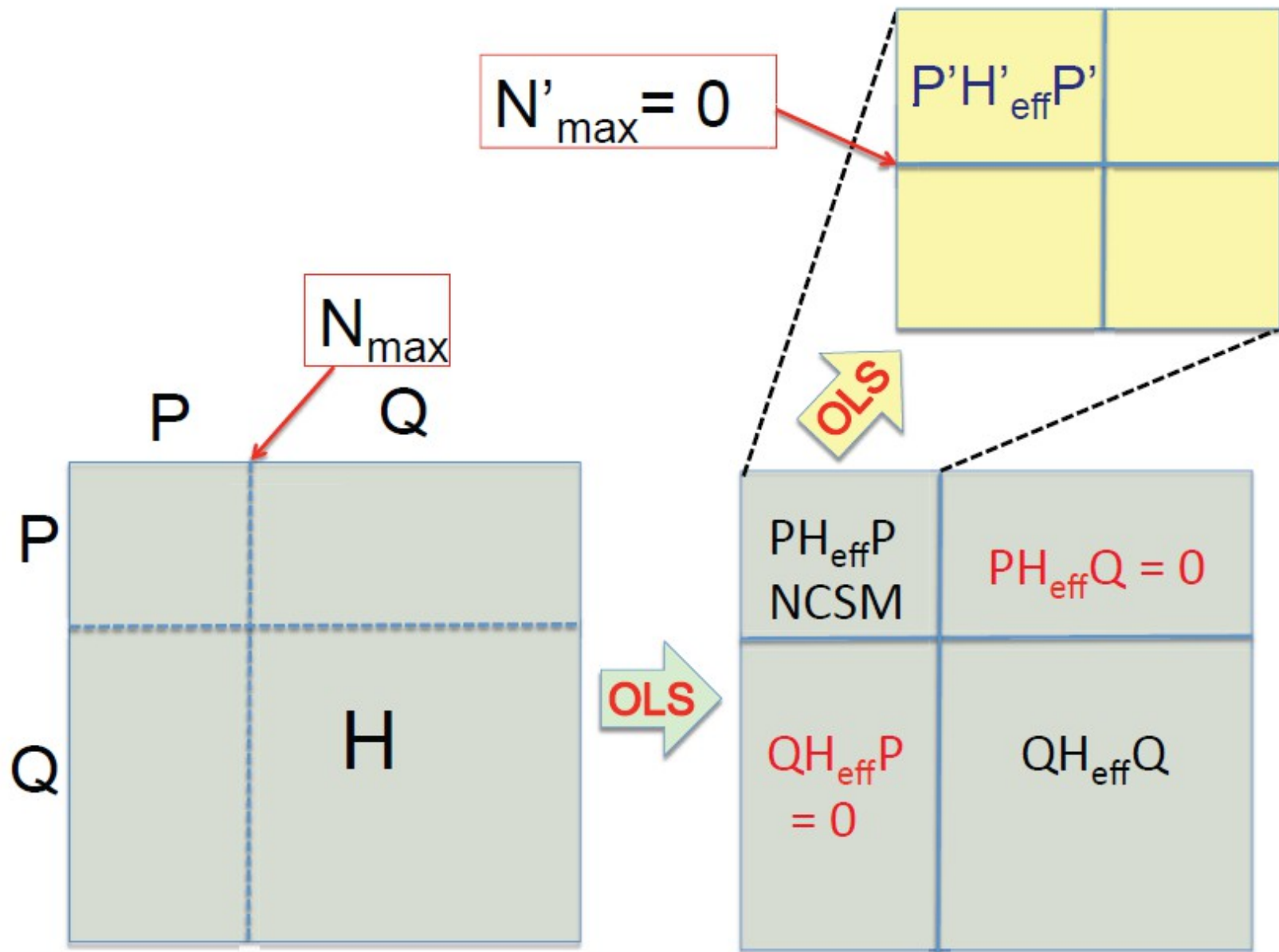
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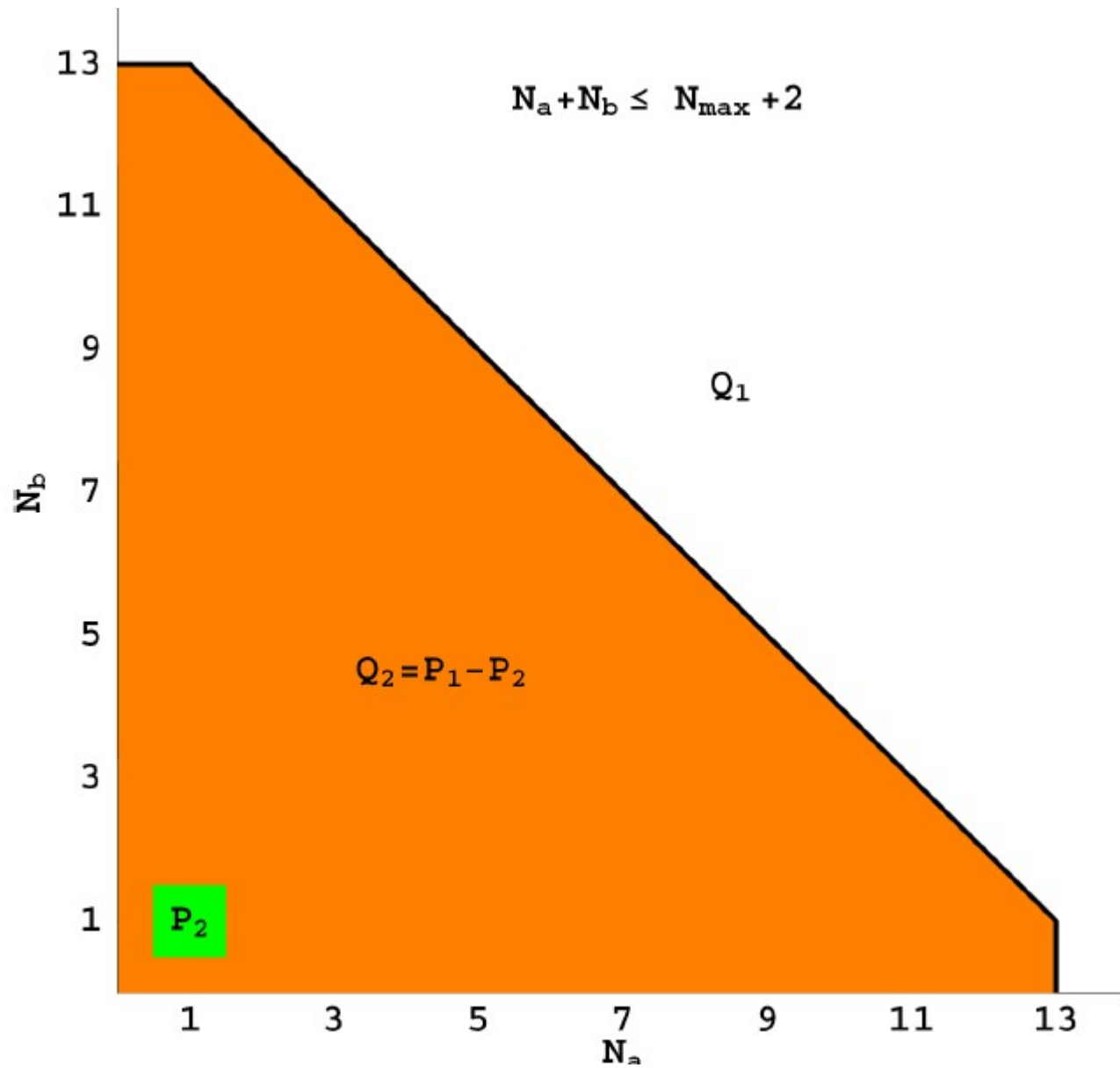
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FORMALISM

1. Perform a large basis NCSM for a core + 2N system, e.g., 18^{F} .
2. Use Okubo-Lee-Suzuki transformation to project these results into a single major shell to obtain effective 2-body matrix elements.
3. Separate these 2-body matrix elements into a core term, single-particle energies and residual 2-body interactions, i.e., the standard input for a normal Shell Model calculation.
4. Use these values for performing SM calculations in that shell.





Effective Hamiltonian for SSM

How to calculate the Shell Model 2-body effective interaction:

Two ways of convergence:

1) For $P \rightarrow 1$ and fixed a : $H_{A,a=2}^{\text{eff}} \rightarrow H_A$: previous slide

2) For $a_1 \rightarrow A$ and fixed P_1 : $H_{A,a_1}^{\text{eff}} \rightarrow H_A$

$P_1 + Q_1 = P$; P_1 - small model space; Q_1 - excluded space;

$$\mathcal{H}_{A,a_1}^{N_{1,\max}, N_{\max}} = \frac{U_{a_1, P_1}^{A, \dagger}}{\sqrt{U_{a_1, P_1}^{A, \dagger} U_{a_1, P_1}^A}} E_{A, a_1, P_1}^{N_{\max}, \Omega} \frac{U_{a_1, P_1}^A}{\sqrt{U_{a_1, P_1}^{A, \dagger} U_{a_1, P_1}^A}}$$

Valence Cluster Expansion

$N_{1,\max} = 0$ space (p-space); $a_1 = A_c + a_v$; a_1 - order of cluster;

A_c - number of nucleons in core; a_v - order of valence cluster;

$$\mathcal{H}_{A,a_1}^{0, N_{\max}} = \sum_k^{a_v} V_k^{A, A_c + k}$$

III. Results: sd-shell nuclei

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Ab initio effective interactions for *sd*-shell valence nucleons

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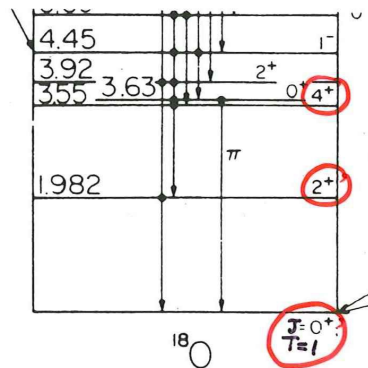
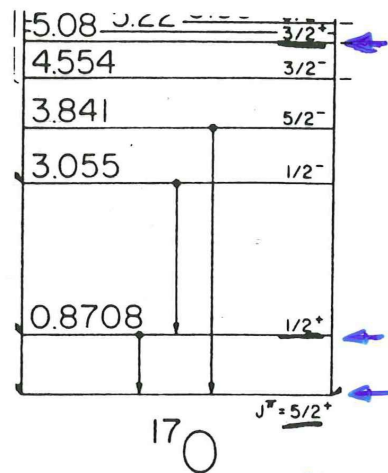
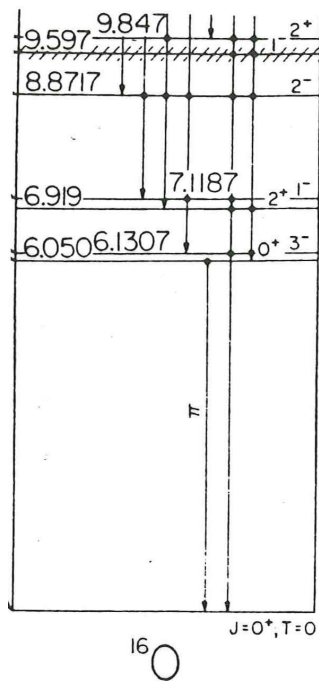
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We perform *ab initio* no core shell model calculations for $A = 18$ and 19 nuclei in a $4\hbar\Omega$, or $N_{\max} = 4$, model space using the effective JISP16 and chiral N3LO nucleon-nucleon potentials and transform the many-body effective Hamiltonians into the $0\hbar\Omega$ model space to construct the A -body effective Hamiltonians in the *sd*-shell. We separate the A -body effective Hamiltonians with $A = 18$ and $A = 19$ into inert core, one- and two-body components. Then, we use these core, one- and two-body components to perform standard shell model calculations for the $A = 18$ and $A = 19$ systems with valence nucleons restricted to the *sd*-shell. Finally, we compare the standard shell model results in the $0\hbar\Omega$ model space with the exact no core shell model results in the $4\hbar\Omega$ model space for the $A = 18$ and $A = 19$ systems and find good agreement.

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Empirical Single-Particle Energies



$$E_{0d_{5/2}} = 0.0 \text{ MeV}$$

$$E_{1s_{1/2}} = 0.87 \text{ MeV}$$

$$E_{0d_{3/2}} = 5.08 \text{ MeV}$$

$$H^{sd} (\Psi^{sd})^{sd} = \left\{ \sum_i^{sd} \epsilon_i + V_{\text{eff}}^{sd} \right\} (\Psi^{sd})^{sd}$$

$$\{H_0 + V_{\text{eff}}^{sd}\} (\Psi^{sd})^{sd} = E^{sd} (\Psi^{sd})^{sd}$$

Input: The results of $N_{\text{max}} = 4$ and $hw = 14$ MeV NCSM calculations

TABLE II: Proton and neutron single-particle energies (in MeV) for JISP16 effective interaction obtained for the mass of $A = 18$ and $A = 19$.

	$A = 18$			$A = 19$		
	$E_{\text{core}} = -115.529$			$E_{\text{core}} = -115.319$		
j_i	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{5}{2}$	$\frac{3}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{5}{2}$	$\frac{3}{2}$
$\epsilon_{j_i}^n$	-3.068	-2.270	6.262	-3.044	-2.248	6.289
$\epsilon_{j_i}^p$	0.603	1.398	9.748	0.627	1.419	9.774

TABLE III: Proton and neutron single-particle energies (in MeV) for chiral N3LO effective interaction obtained for the mass of $A = 18$ and $A = 19$.

	$A = 18$			$A = 19$		
	$E_{\text{core}} = -118.469$			$E_{\text{core}} = -118.306$		
j_i	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{5}{2}$	$\frac{3}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{5}{2}$	$\frac{3}{2}$
$\epsilon_{j_i}^n$	-3.638	-3.042	3.763	-3.625	-3.031	3.770
$\epsilon_{j_i}^p$	0.044	0.690	7.299	0.057	0.700	7.307

$A = 18$

Coupled Cluster, E_{core} : -130.462
Idaho NN N3LO + 3N N2LO

$A = 19$

-130.056 from G.R. Jansen
et al. PRL 113,
142502 (2014)

IM-SRG, E_{core} : -130.132
Idaho NN N3LO + 3N N2LO

-129.637 from H. Hergert
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No-Core Shell-Model Approach

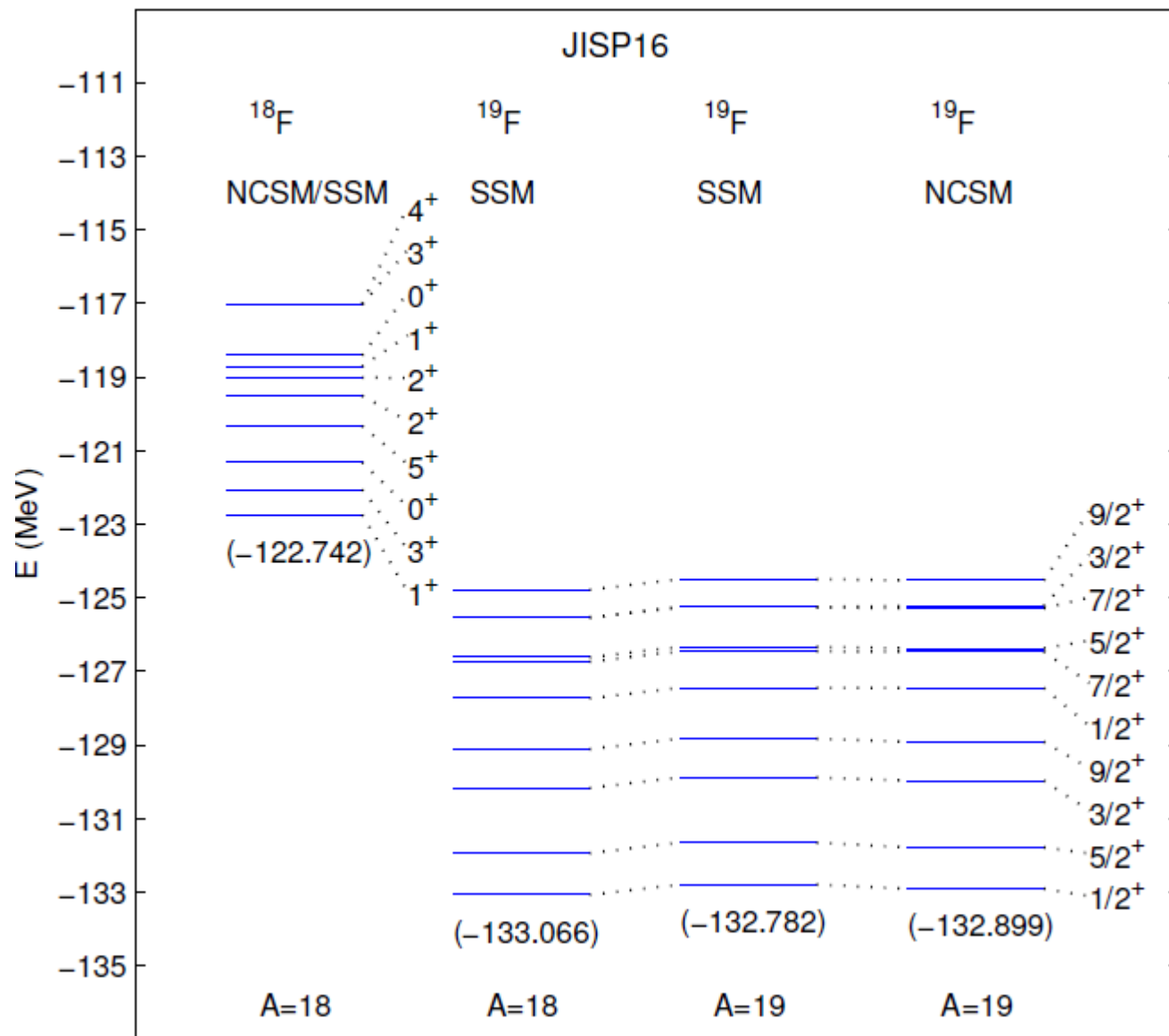
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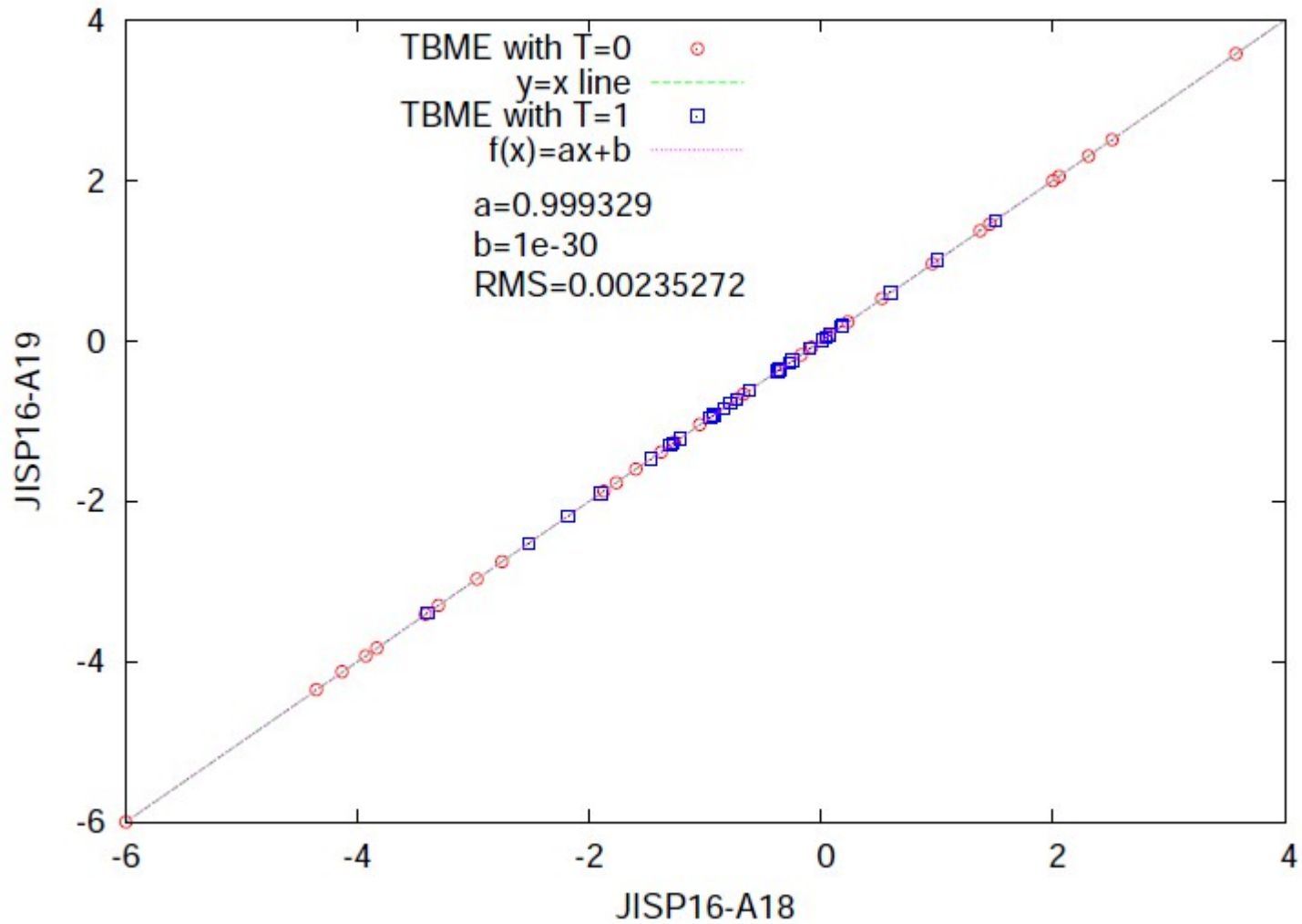
$$H_{CM}^{HO} = \frac{\vec{P}^2}{2Am} + \frac{1}{2}Am\Omega^2\vec{R}^2; \quad \vec{R} = \frac{1}{A}\sum_{i=1}^A \vec{r}_i, \quad \vec{P} = Am\dot{\vec{R}}$$

To H_A , yielding

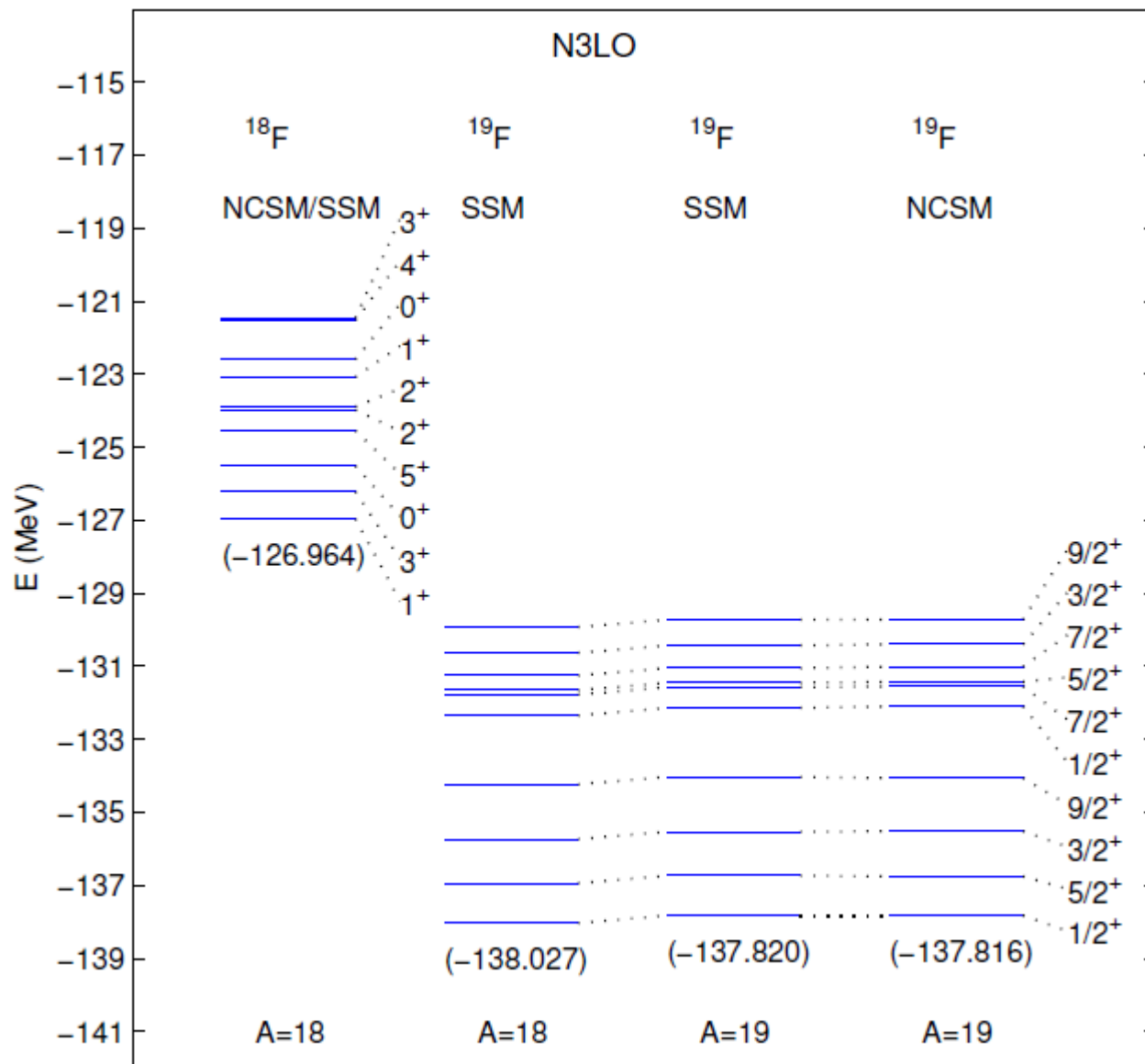
$$H_A^\Omega = \sum_{i=1}^A \left[\frac{\vec{p}_i^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2}m\Omega^2\vec{r}_i^2 \right] + \underbrace{\sum_{i<j=1}^A \left[V_{NN}(\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j) - \frac{m\Omega^2}{2A}(\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j)^2 \right]}_{V_{ij}}$$

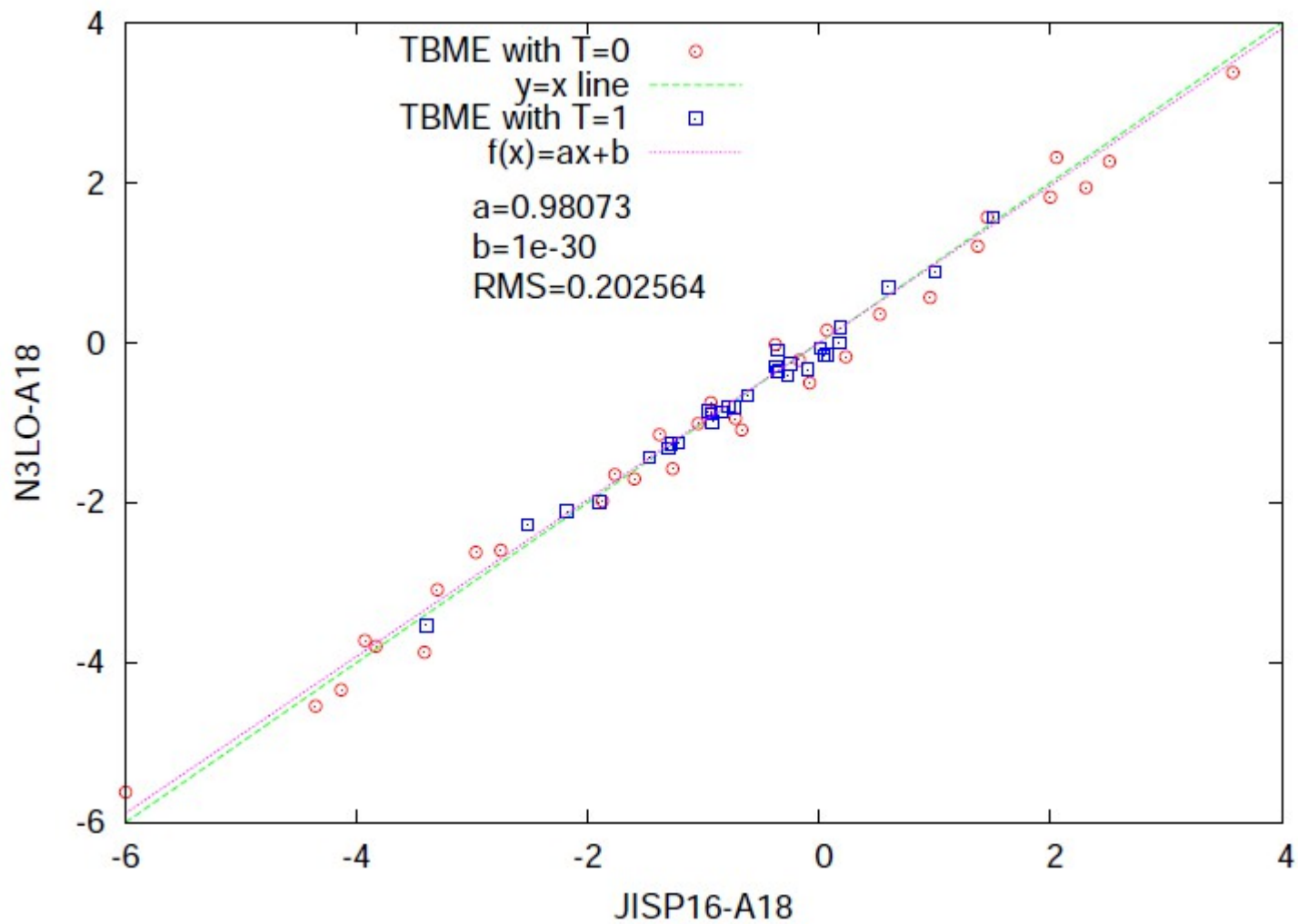
Defines a basis (*i.e.* HO) for evaluating V_{ij}





Preliminary Results

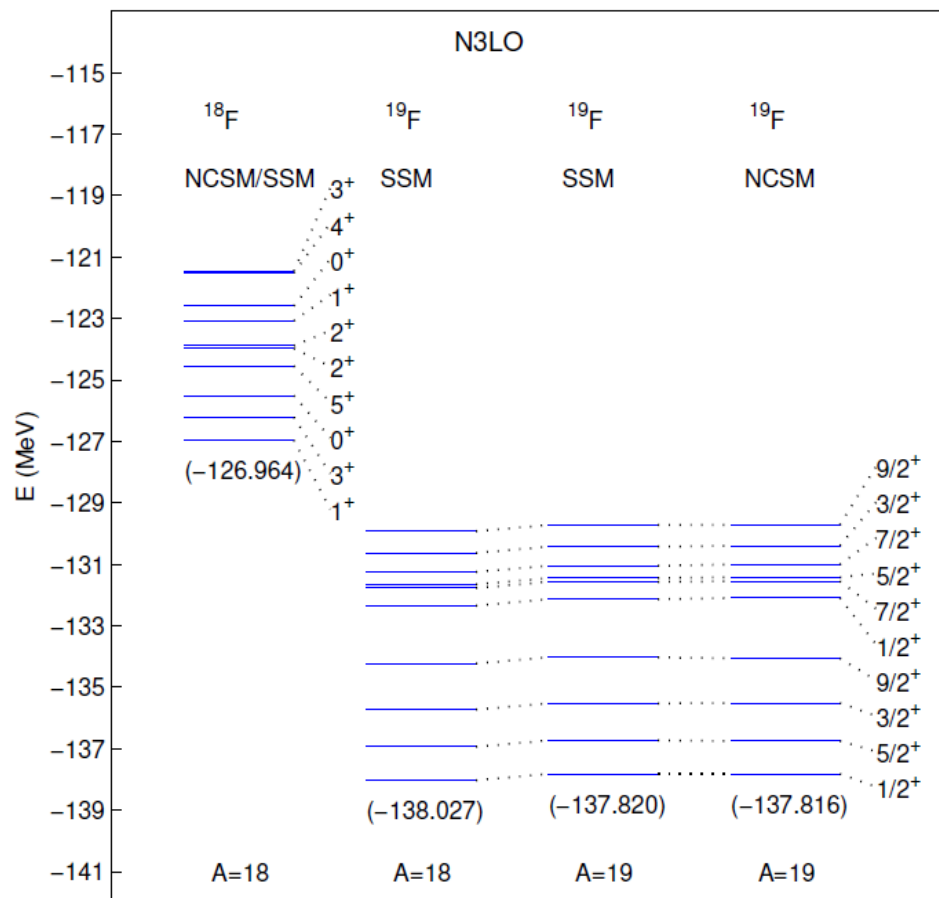
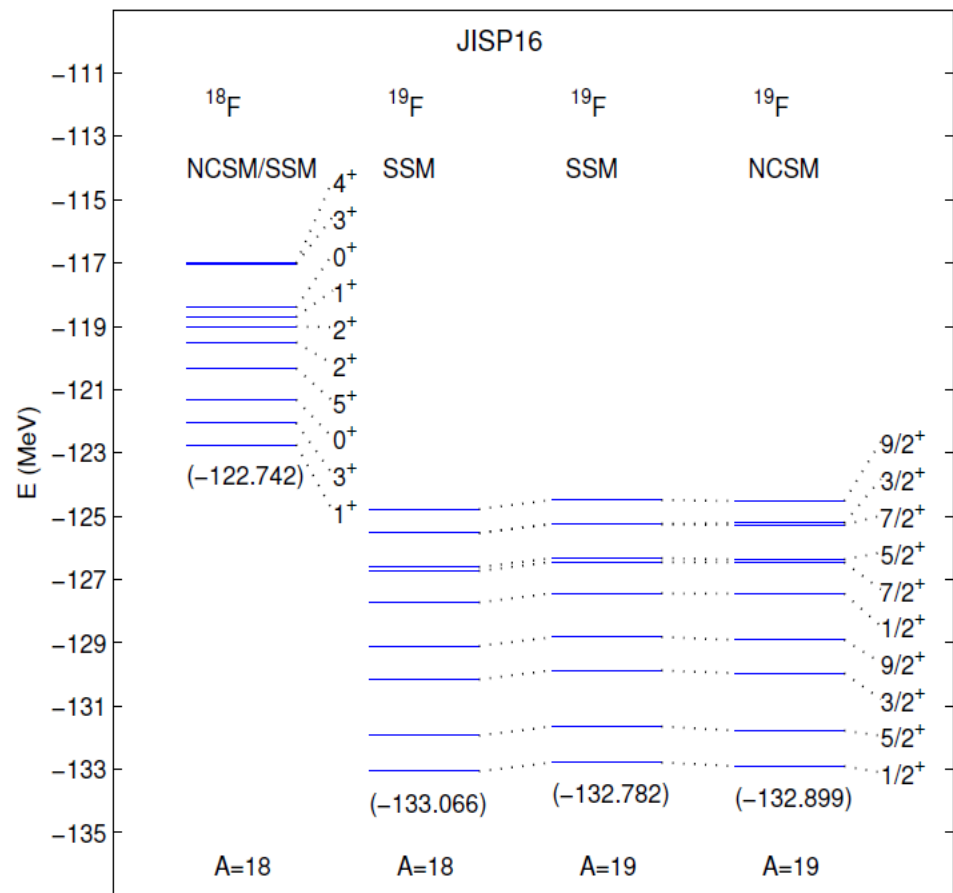


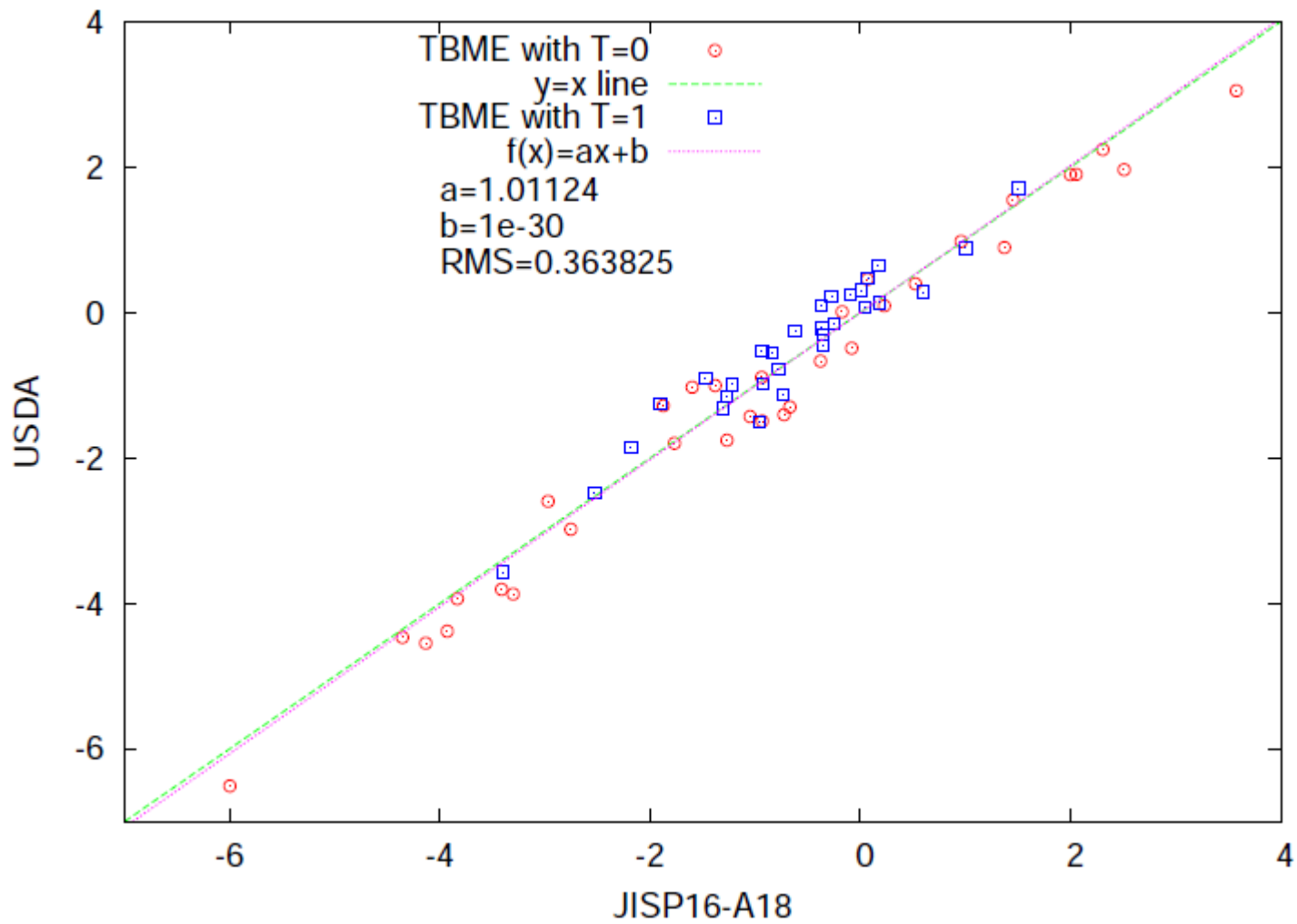


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TABLE III: The NCSM energies (in MeV) of the lowest 28 states J_i^π of ^{18}F calculated in $4\hbar\Omega$ model space using JISP16 and chiral N3LO NN interactions with $\hbar\Omega = 14$ MeV.

J_i^π	T	JISP16	J_i^π	T	N3LO
1_1^+	0	-122.742	1_1^+	0	-126.964
3_1^+	0	-122.055	3_1^+	0	-126.214
0_1^+	1	-121.320	0_1^+	1	-125.510
5_1^+	0	-120.329	5_1^+	0	-124.545
2_1^+	1	-119.505	2_1^+	1	-123.974
2_2^+	0	-119.011	2_2^+	0	-123.890
1_2^+	0	-118.709	1_2^+	0	-123.077
0_2^+	1	-118.410	0_2^+	1	-122.586
2_3^+	1	-117.211	2_3^+	1	-121.588
3_2^+	1	-117.035	4_1^+	1	-121.512
4_1^+	1	-117.004	3_2^+	1	-121.450
3_3^+	0	-116.765	3_3^+	0	-121.376
1_3^+	0	-113.565	1_3^+	0	-119.658
4_2^+	0	-112.314	4_2^+	0	-118.656
2_4^+	0	-111.899	2_4^+	0	-117.950
1_4^+	0	-110.357	1_4^+	0	-116.106
4_3^+	1	-109.625	4_3^+	1	-115.785
2_5^+	1	-109.292	2_5^+	1	-115.407
1_5^+	1	-108.752	3_4^+	0	-115.309
3_4^+	0	-108.706	1_5^+	1	-114.870
2_6^+	0	-108.485	2_6^+	0	-114.787
1_6^+	1	-108.055	1_6^+	1	-114.392
2_7^+	1	-108.041	3_5^+	1	-114.258
3_5^+	1	-107.874	2_7^+	1	-114.176
3_6^+	0	-101.528	3_6^+	0	-109.316
1_7^+	0	-99.946	1_7^+	0	-107.798
0_3^+	1	-99.848	2_8^+	1	-107.473
2_8^+	1	-99.607	0_3^+	1	-107.436

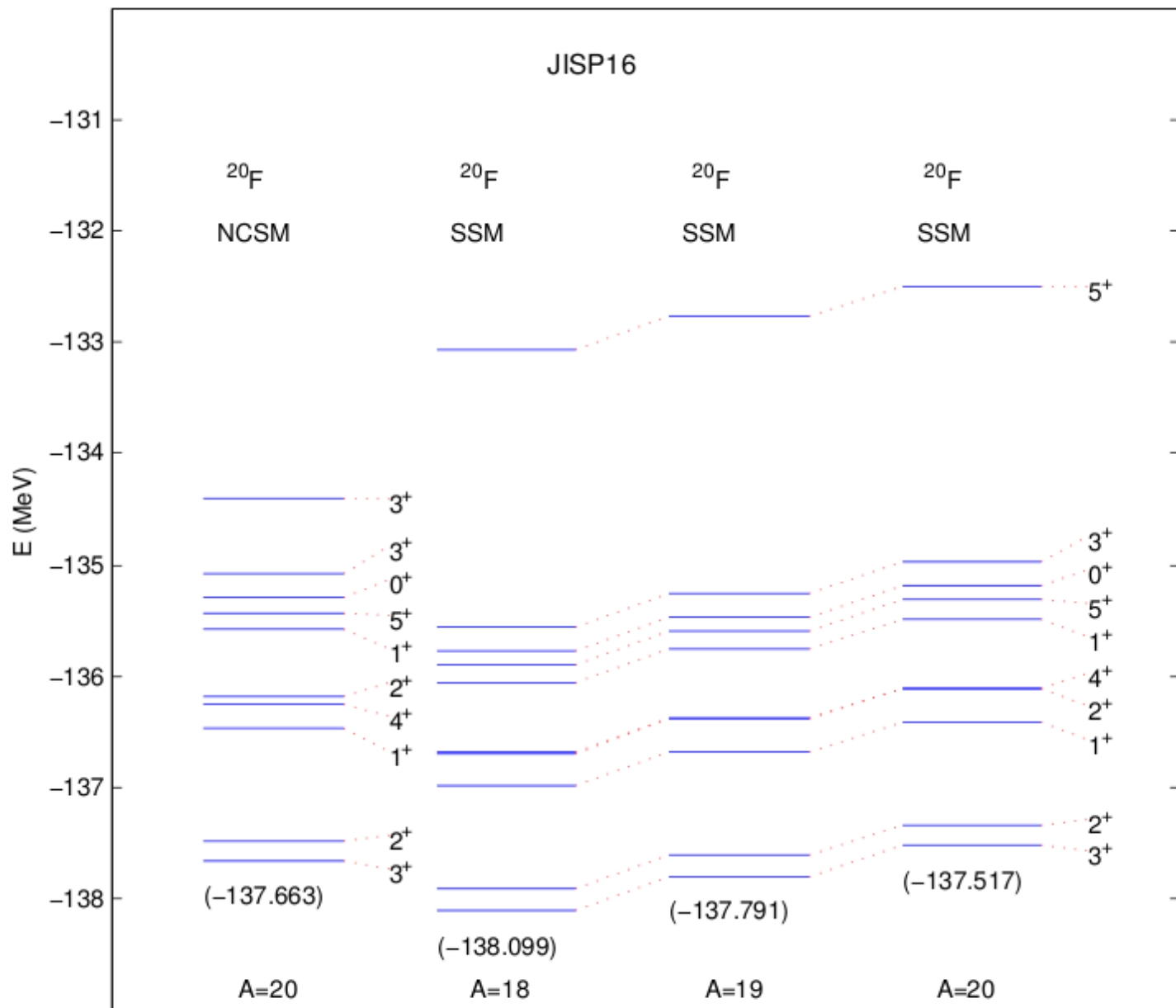




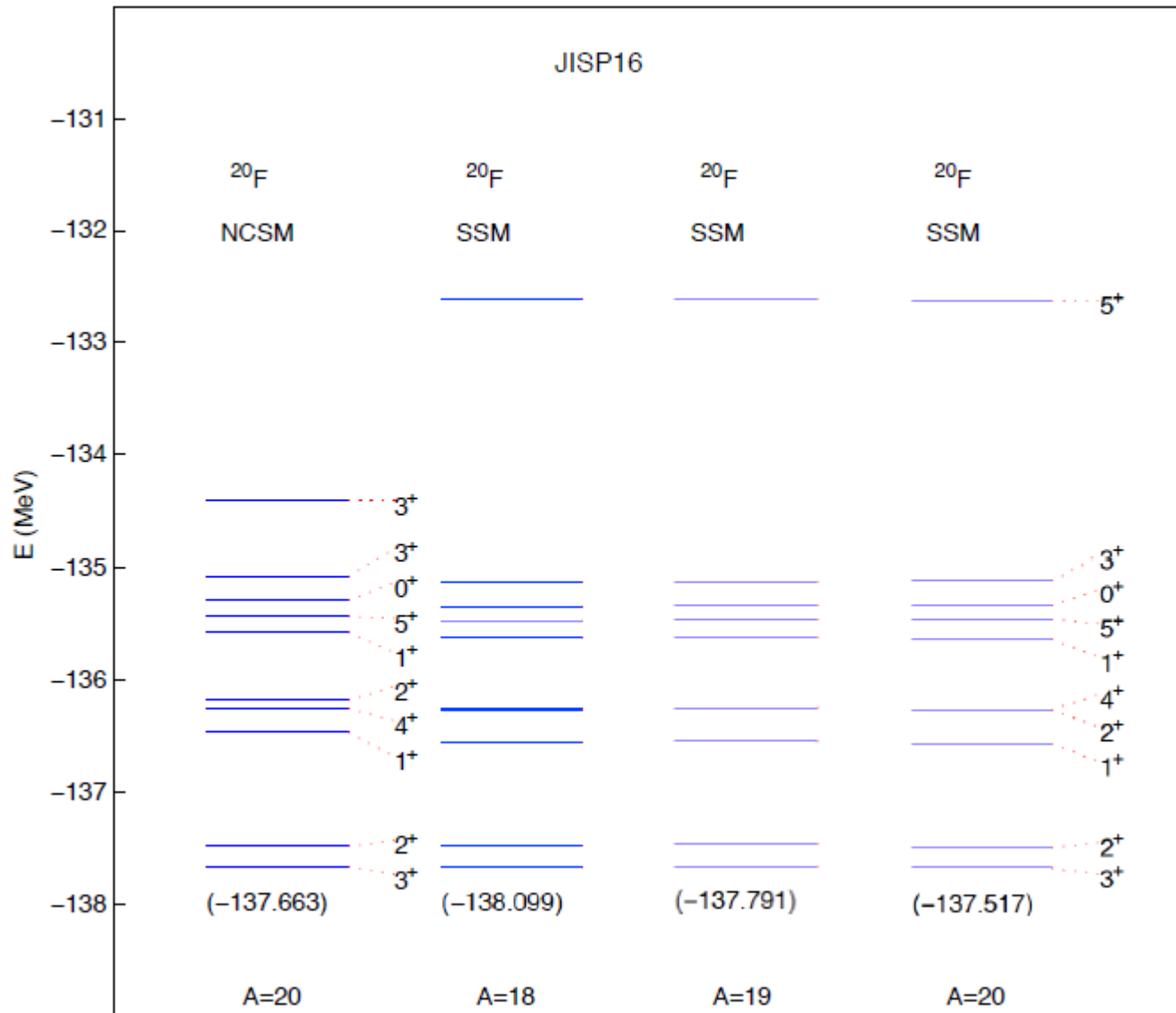
Comparison of effective TBMEs in the sd-shell: **JISP16** vs **USDA** by Alex Brown et al.

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PRELIMINARY RESULTS



Preliminary Results



Summary

Perform a converged NCSM calculation with a NN or NN+NNN interaction for a closed core + 2 valence nucleon system.

An OLS transformation of the results of the above NCSM calculation into a single major shell allows one to obtain core and single-particle energies and two-body residual matrix elements appropriate for shell model calculations in that shell, which have only a weak A -dependence.

The core and single-particle energies and two-body residual matrix elements obtained by this procedure can be used in Standard Shell Model calculations in the sd -shell, yielding results in good agreement with the full space NCSM results. The core and s.p. energies + 2-body effective interactions for $A=18$ give also good results for $A=19$ and 20 .

Additional calculations are being performed with other NN interactions and for heavier nuclei in the sd -shell.

Two-body VCE for ${}^6\text{Li}$

$$\mathcal{H}_{A=6, a_1=6}^{0, N_{\max}} = V_0^{6,4} + V_1^{6,5} + V_2^{6,6}$$

Need NCSM results
in N_{\max} space for

${}^4\text{He}$

${}^5\text{He}$ ${}^5\text{Li}$

${}^6\text{He}$ ${}^6\text{Li}$ ${}^6\text{Be}$

With effective interaction for $A=6$!!!

$$H_{A=6,2}^{N_{\max}, \Omega, \text{eff}}$$

3-body Valence Cluster approximation for $A > 6$

$$\mathcal{H}_{A, a_1=7}^{0, N_{\max}} = V_0^{A,4} + V_1^{A,5} + V_2^{A,6} + V_3^{A,7}$$

Need NCSM results
in N_{\max} space for

${}^4\text{He}$

${}^5\text{He}$ ${}^5\text{Li}$

${}^6\text{He}$ ${}^6\text{Li}$ ${}^6\text{Be}$

${}^7\text{He}$ ${}^7\text{Li}$ ${}^7\text{B}$ ${}^7\text{Be}$

With effective interaction for A !!!

$$H_{A,2}^{N_{\max}, \Omega, \text{eff}}$$

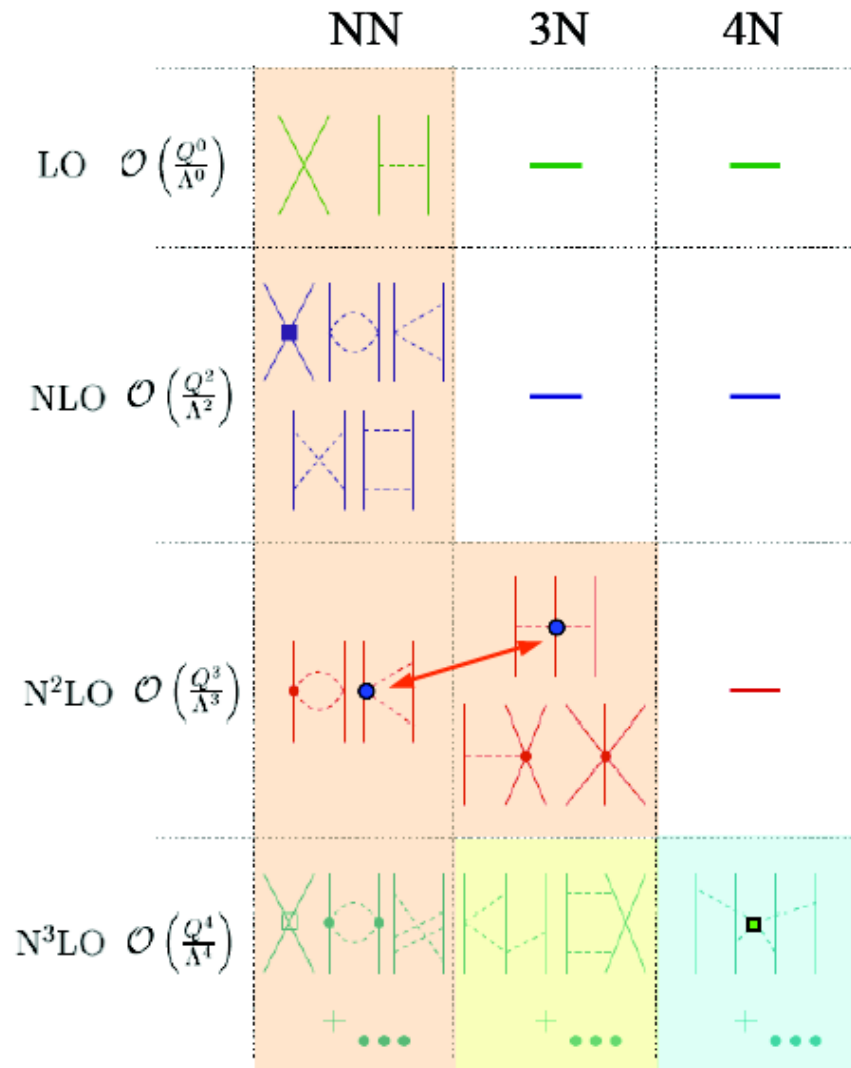
Construct 3-body interaction in terms of 3-body matrix elements: **Yes**

$$V_3^{A,7} = \mathcal{H}_{A,7}^{0, N_{\max}} - \mathcal{H}_{A,6}^{0, N_{\max}}$$



Chiral effective field theory (EFT) for nuclear forces

Separation of scales: low momenta $\frac{1}{\lambda} = Q \ll \Lambda_b$ breakdown scale Λ_b



explains pheno hierarchy:

NN > 3N > 4N > ...

NN-3N, πN , $\pi\pi$, electro-weak, ...

consistency

3N, 4N: 2 new couplings to N³LO!

theoretical error estimates

