

Ab initio Shell Model with a Core:
Importance of
Three-Nucleon (Effective) Interactions

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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

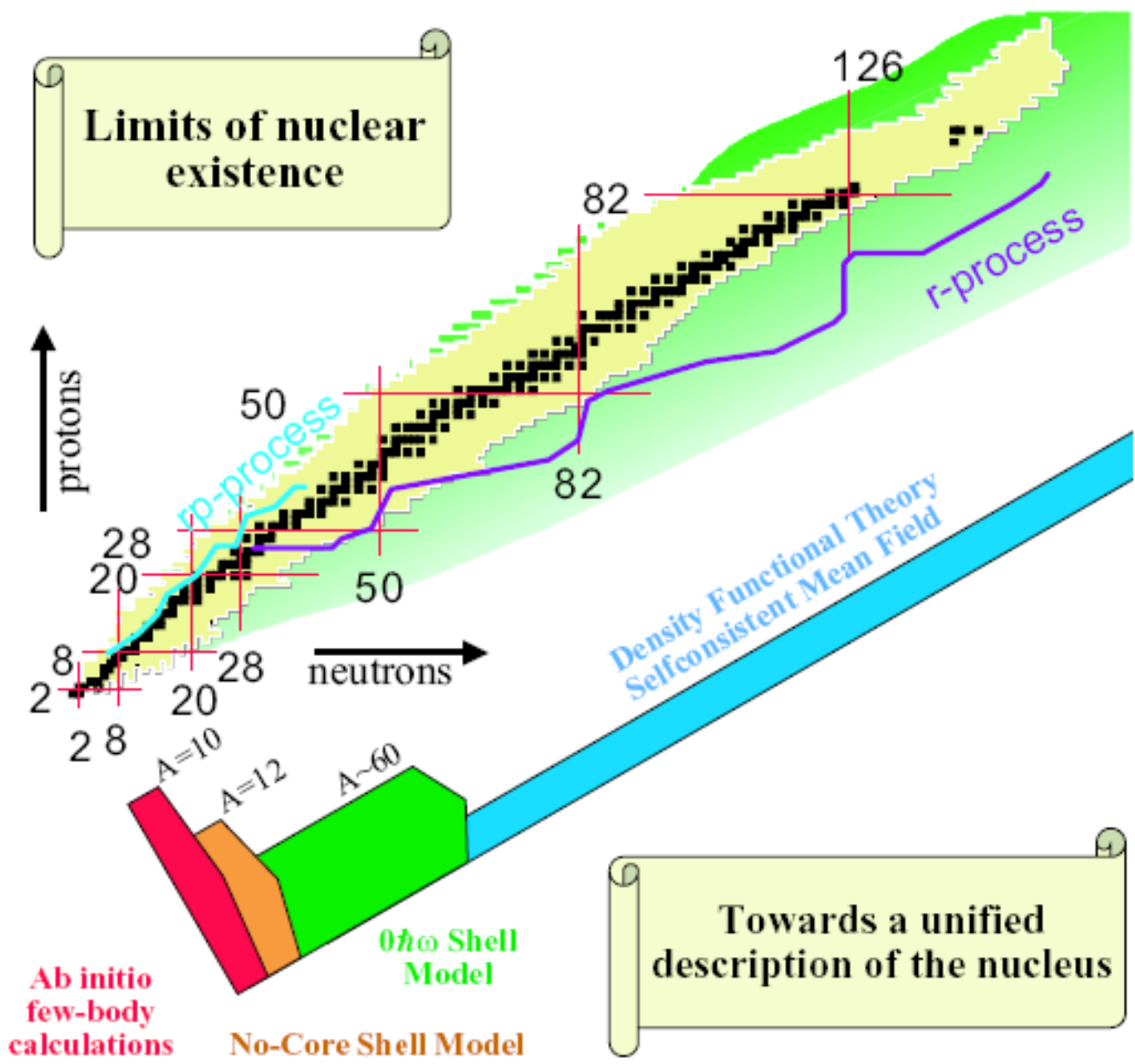
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Ab-initio shell model with a core

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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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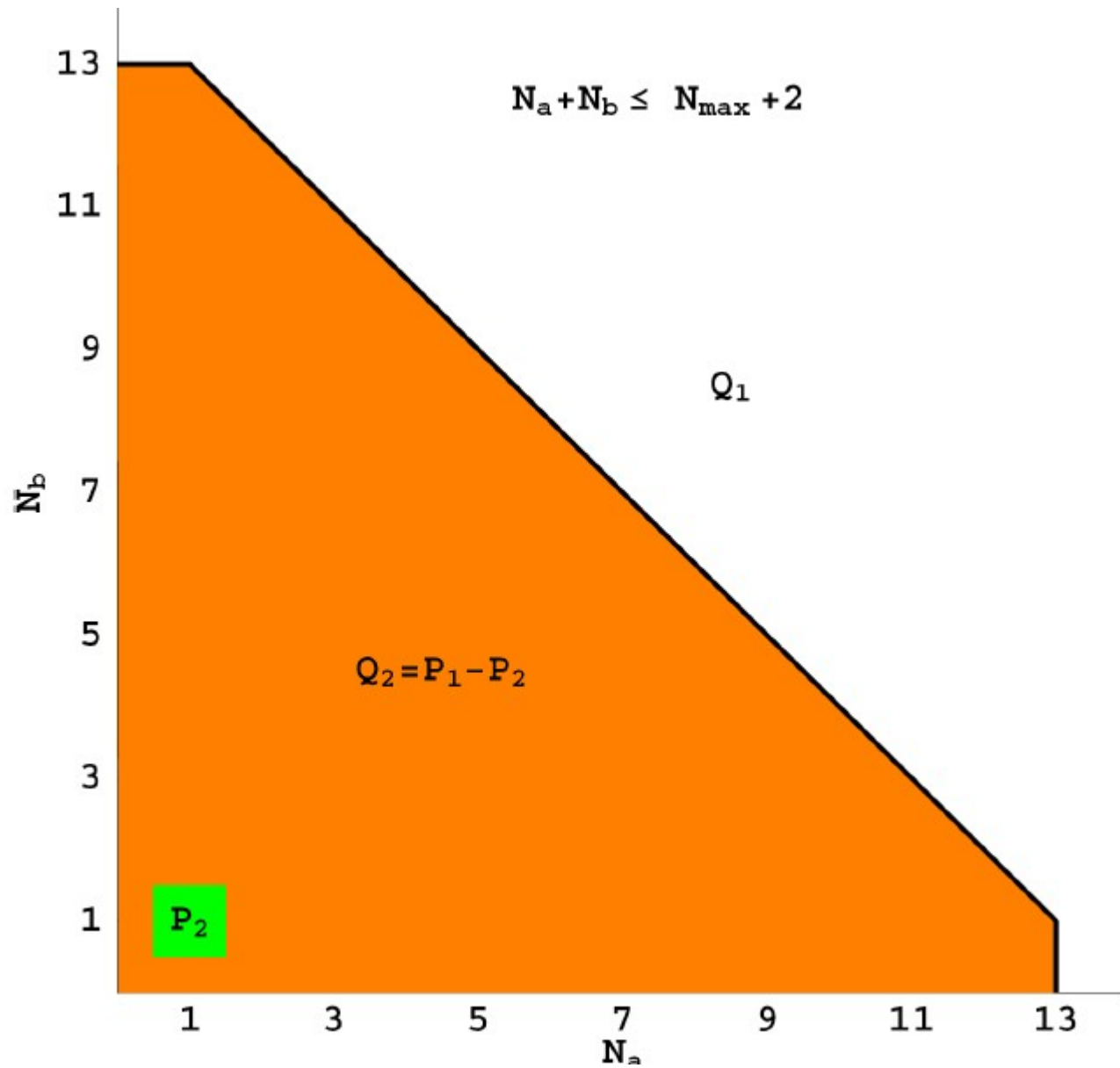
Core Shell Model

effective interactions for
valence nucleons

Diagonalization of the
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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 $A=6$!!!

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

Core Energy

$$V_0^{6,4} = -51.644 \text{ MeV}$$

$$V_1^{6,5} = \mathcal{H}_{6,5}^{0, N_{\max}} - V_0^{6,4} \quad \langle ab; JT | V_1^{6,5} | cd; JT \rangle = (\epsilon_a + \epsilon_b) \delta_{a,c} \delta_{b,d}$$

Single Particle
Energies

$$\epsilon_{p_{3/2}} = 14.574 \text{ MeV} \quad \epsilon_{p_{1/2}} = 18.516 \text{ MeV}$$

$$V_2^{6,6} = \mathcal{H}_{6,6}^{0, N_{\max}} - \mathcal{H}_{6,5}^{0, N_{\max}}$$

TBMEs

$$\langle p_{3/2} p_{3/2} | V_2^{6,6} | p_{3/2} p_{3/2} \rangle_{J=3, T=0} = -1.825 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\langle p_{3/2} p_{3/2} | V_2^{6,6} | p_{3/2} p_{3/2} \rangle_{J=2, T=1} = 2.762 \text{ MeV}$$

2-body Valence Cluster approximation for A=6

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

Need NCSM results
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${}^4\text{He}$

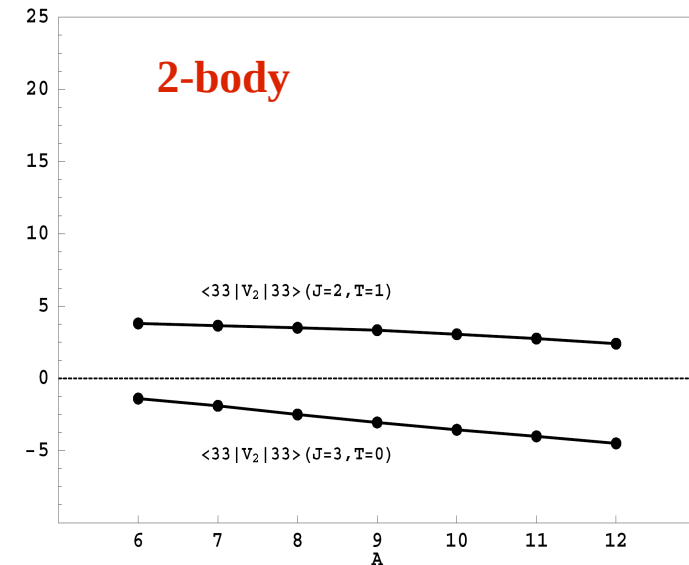
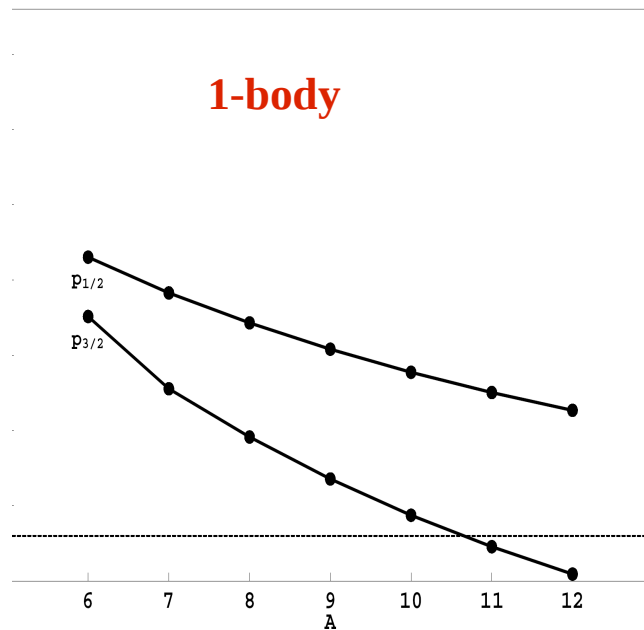
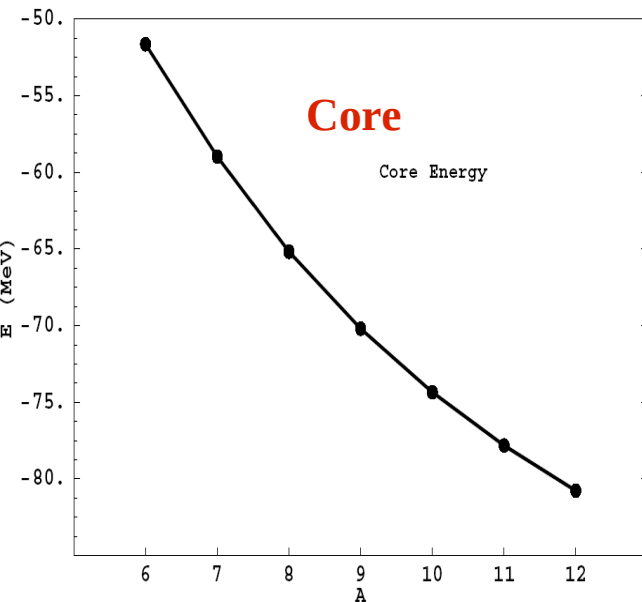
${}^5\text{He}$ ${}^5\text{Li}$

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

$N_{\max} = 6$

With effective interaction for A !!!

$$H_A^{N_{\max}, \Omega, \text{eff}}_{,2}$$



2-body Valence Cluster approximation for A=7

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

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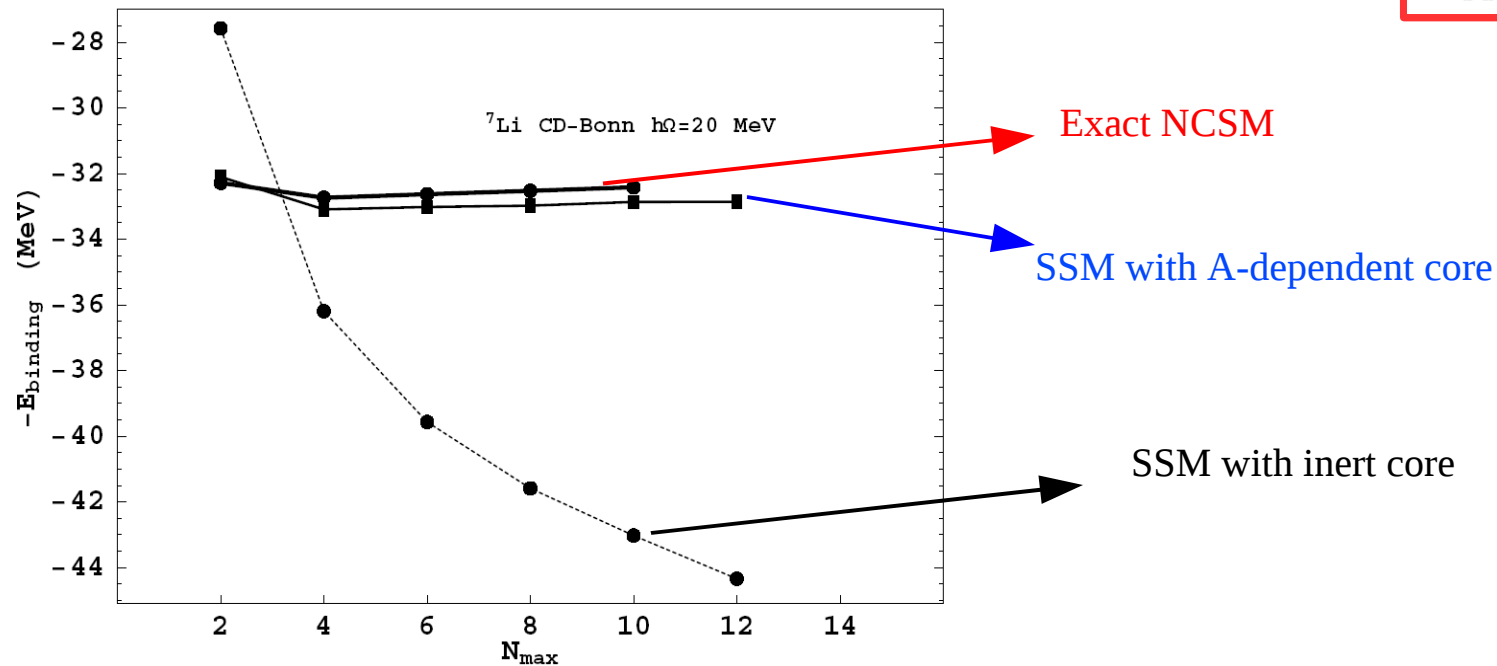
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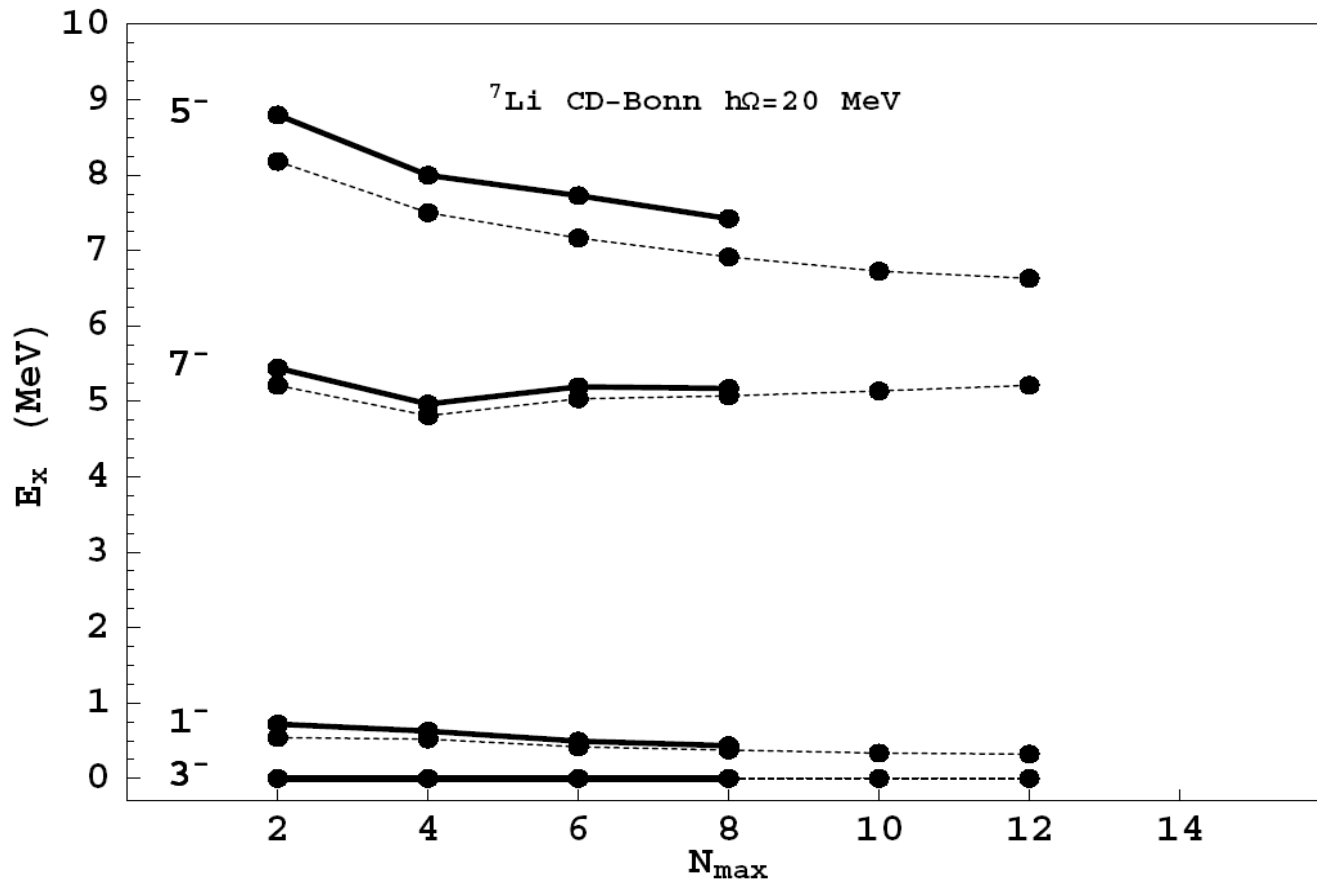
With effective interaction for A=7 !!!

$$H_A^{N_{\max}, \Omega, \text{eff}}_{,2}$$

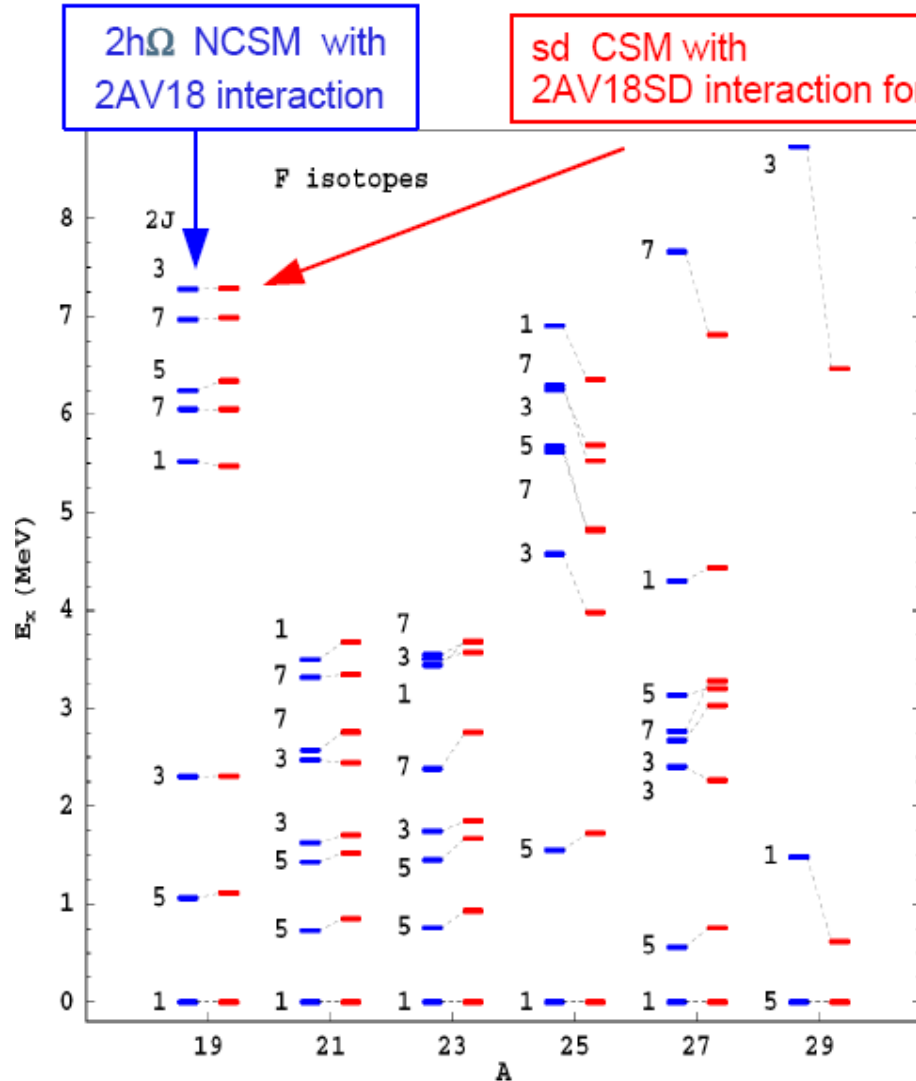


2-body Valence Cluster approximation for A=7

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



Testing effective interactions for the F isotopes in $2h\Omega$ space



Maximum dimension

^{23}F

sd-space: 1 469

$2h\Omega$ -space: 1 725 000

Sources of difference:

- a) many-body correlations
- b) mass dependence

NCSM 2AV18 is A -dependent

CSM 2AV18SD is for $A=18$

Source b) can be eliminated by deriving 2AV18SD interaction for specific mass A

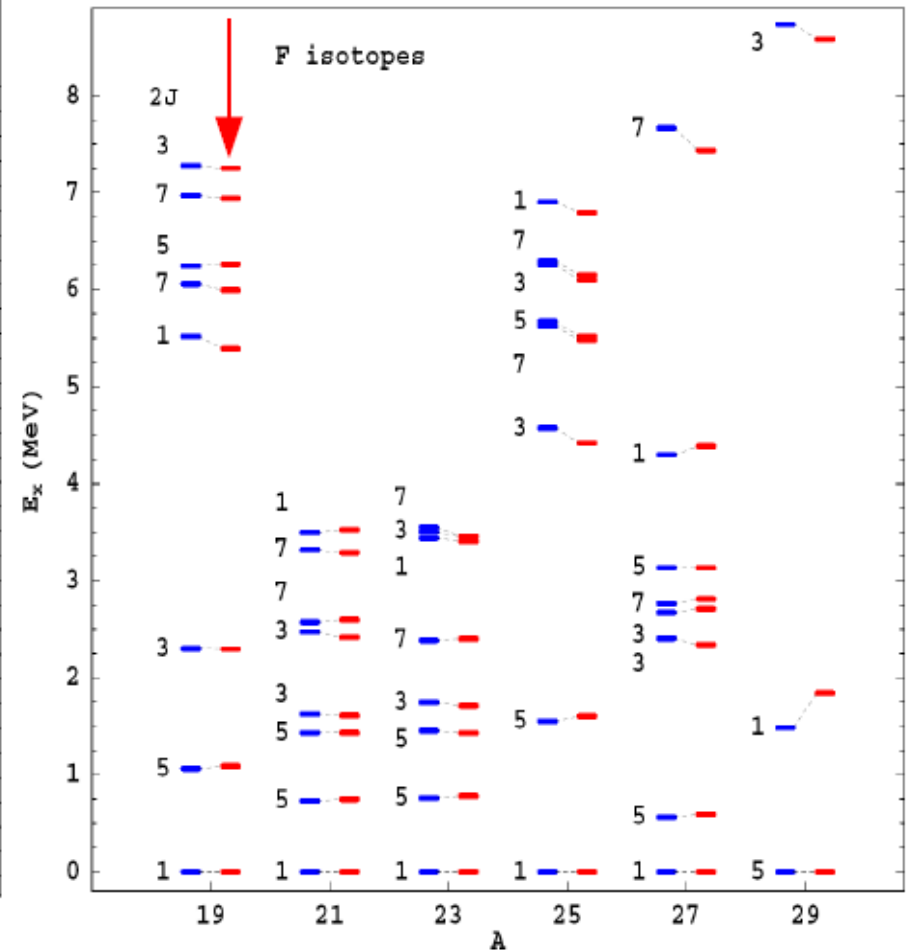
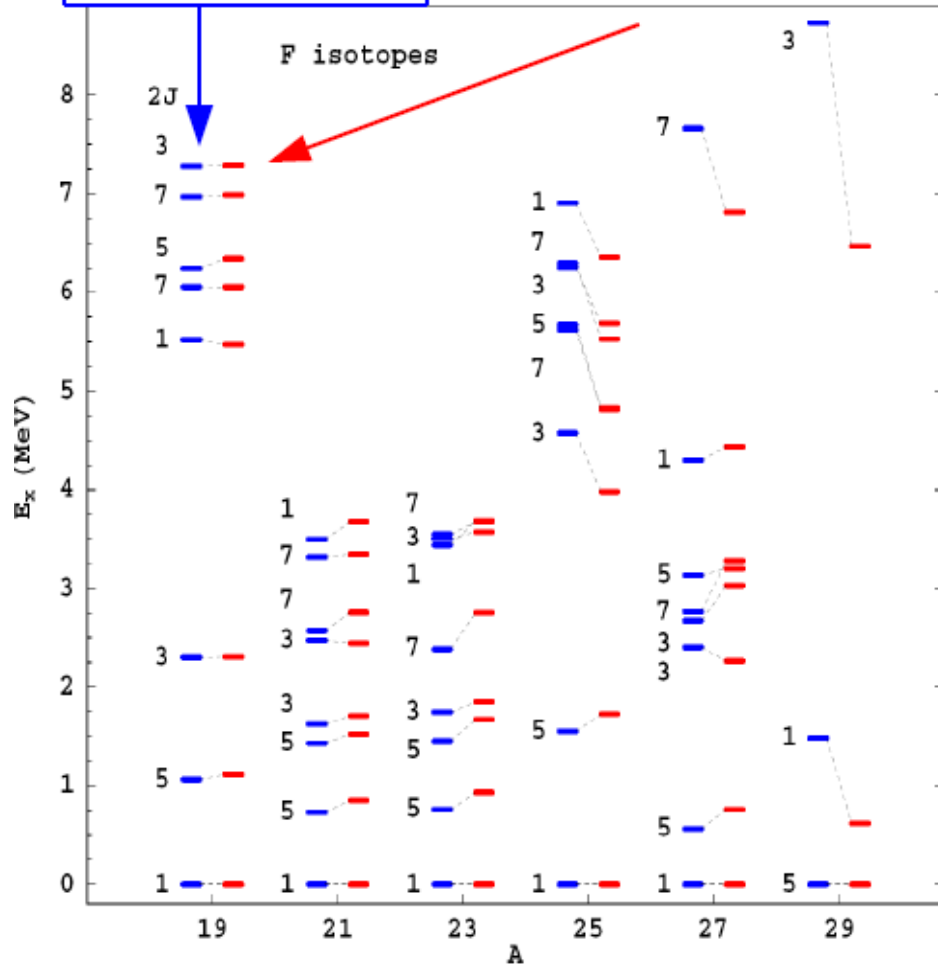


Testing effective interaction for F isotopes in $2h\Omega$ space (+mass dependence)

$2h\Omega$ NCSM with 2AV18 interaction

sd CSM with 2AV18SD interaction for $A=18$

sd CSM with 2AV18SD interaction for specific A



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

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

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in N_{\max} space for

${}^4\text{He}$

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

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

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**

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



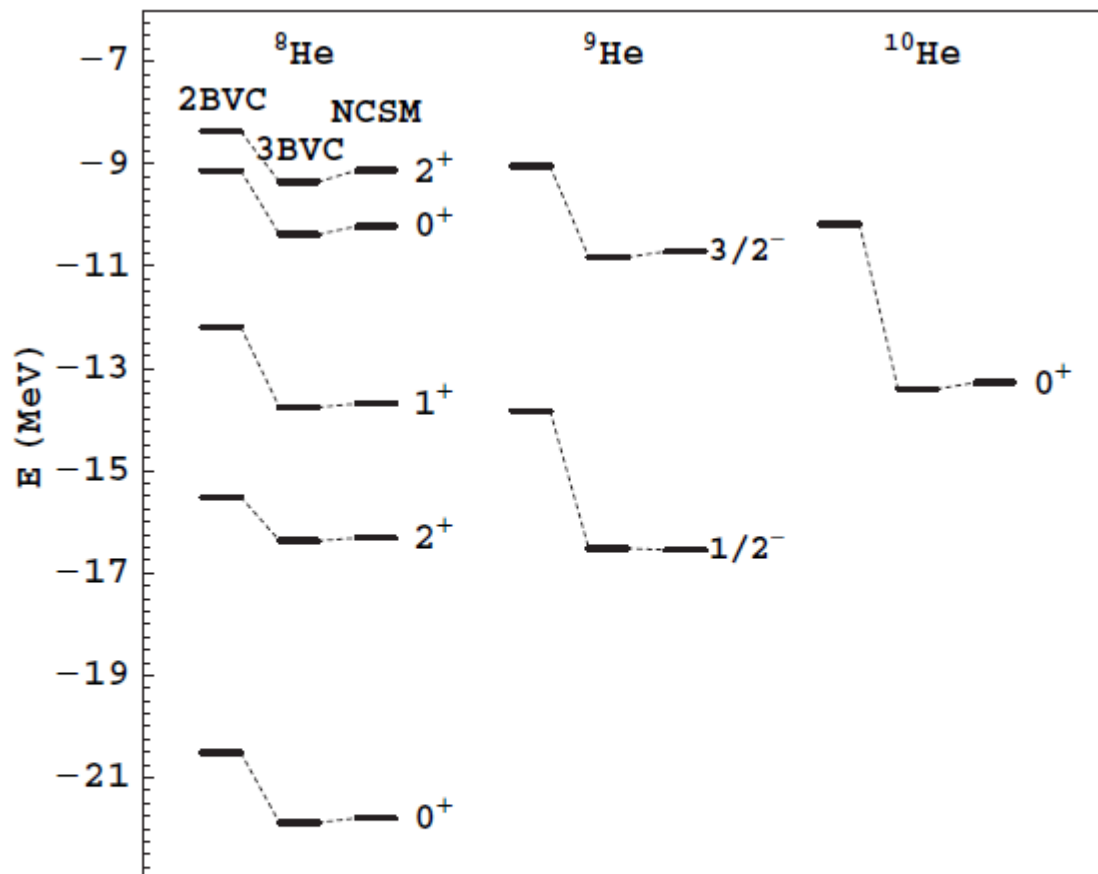


FIG. 9. Comparison of spectra for ${}^8\text{He}$, ${}^9\text{He}$, and ${}^{10}\text{He}$ from SSM calculations using the effective 2BVC and 3BVC Hamiltonians and from exact NCSM calculation for $N_{\max} = 6$ and $\hbar\Omega = 20$ MeV using the CD-Bonn interaction.

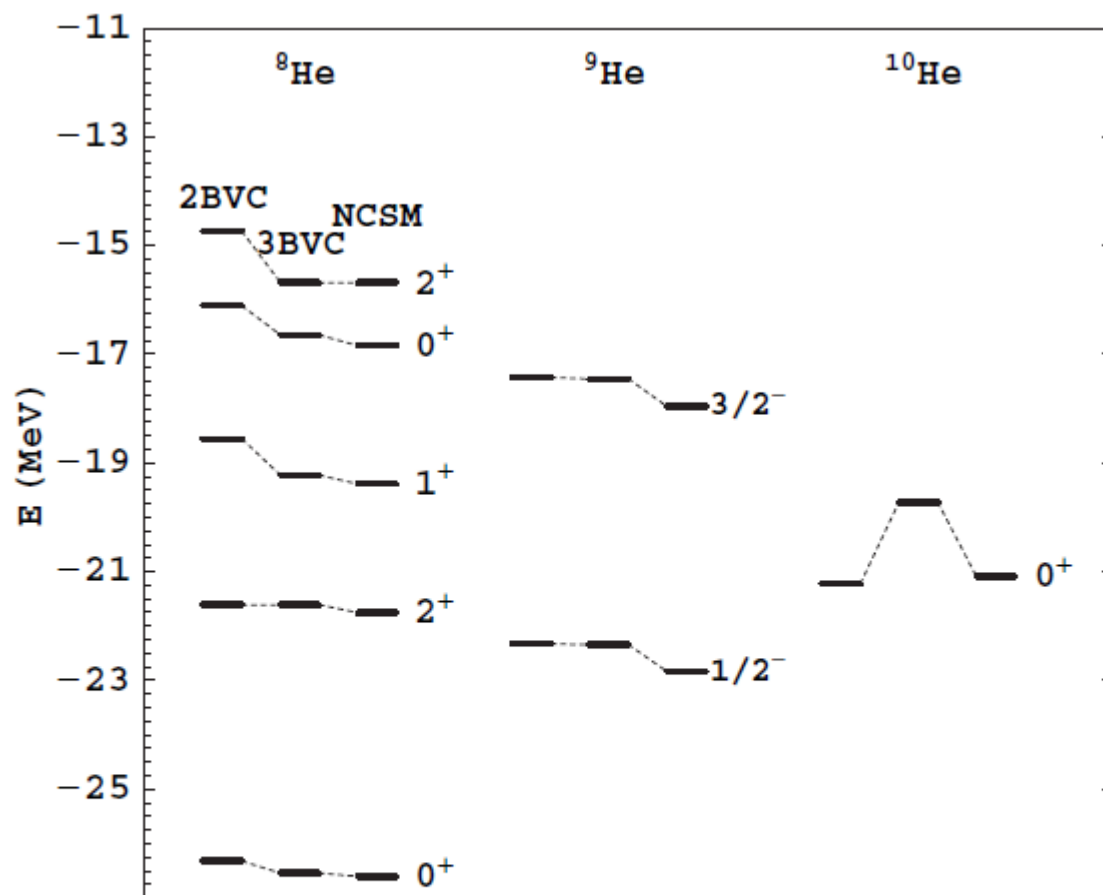
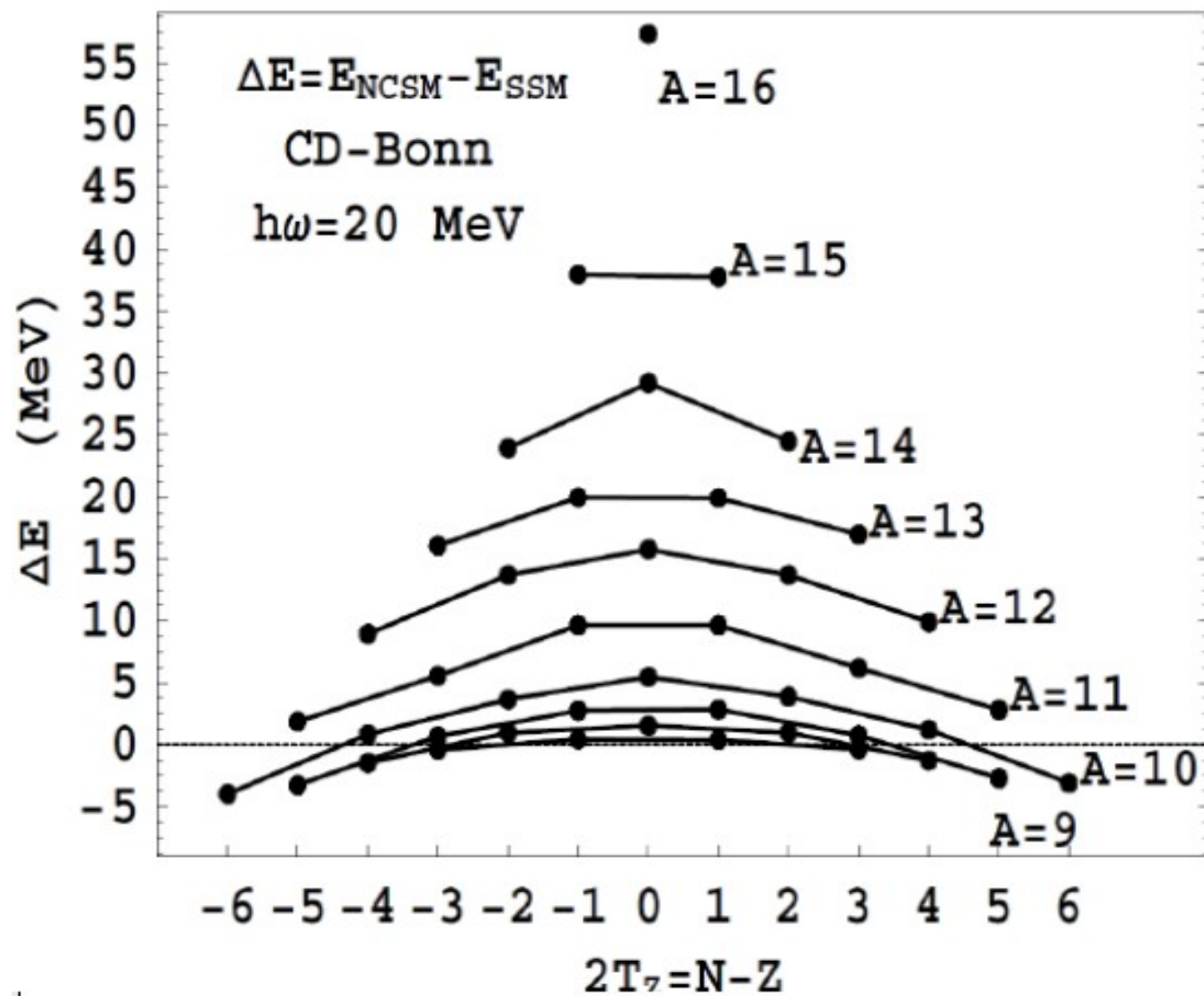


FIG. 8. Comparison of spectra for ${}^8\text{He}$, ${}^9\text{He}$, and ${}^{10}\text{He}$ from SSM calculations using the effective 2BVC and 3BVC Hamiltonians and from exact NCSM calculation for $N_{\text{max}} = 6$ and $\hbar\Omega = 14$ MeV using the INOY interaction.



3-body Valence Cluster approximation for p-shell

Step 1: Determine three-body matrix elements employing three-body valence cluster approximation

Step 2: Calculate monopole part of the three-body effective Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H}_{3,\text{mon}}(n, T) = \sum_{r \leq s \leq u=1}^n \left[D_{1/2}^{rsu}(n, T) \cdot W_{1/2}^{rsu} + D_{3/2}^{rsu}(n, T) \cdot W_{3/2}^{rsu} \right]$$

$$W_{T_3}^{rsu} = \frac{\sum (2J_{rsu} + 1) \langle rsu; J_{rsu} T_3 | V_3 | rsu; J_{rsu} T_3 \rangle}{g_{rsu}(T_3)}$$

$$g_{rsu}(T_3) = \sum_{J_{rsu}} (2J_{rsu} + 1)$$

Three-body valence cluster approximation

Step 3: Calculate average three-body monopole, diagonal terms only

$$W_{T_3} = \frac{1}{\sum_{rsu=1}^3 g_{rsu}(T_3)} \sum_{rsu=1}^3 g_{rsu}(T_3) W_{T_3}^{rsu}$$

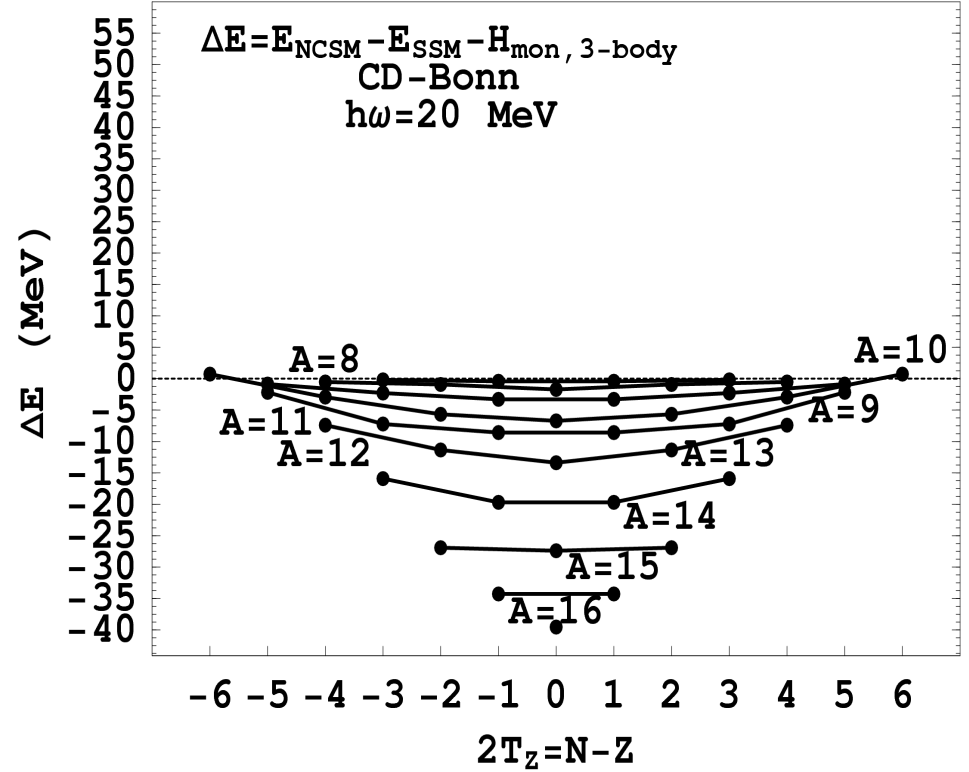
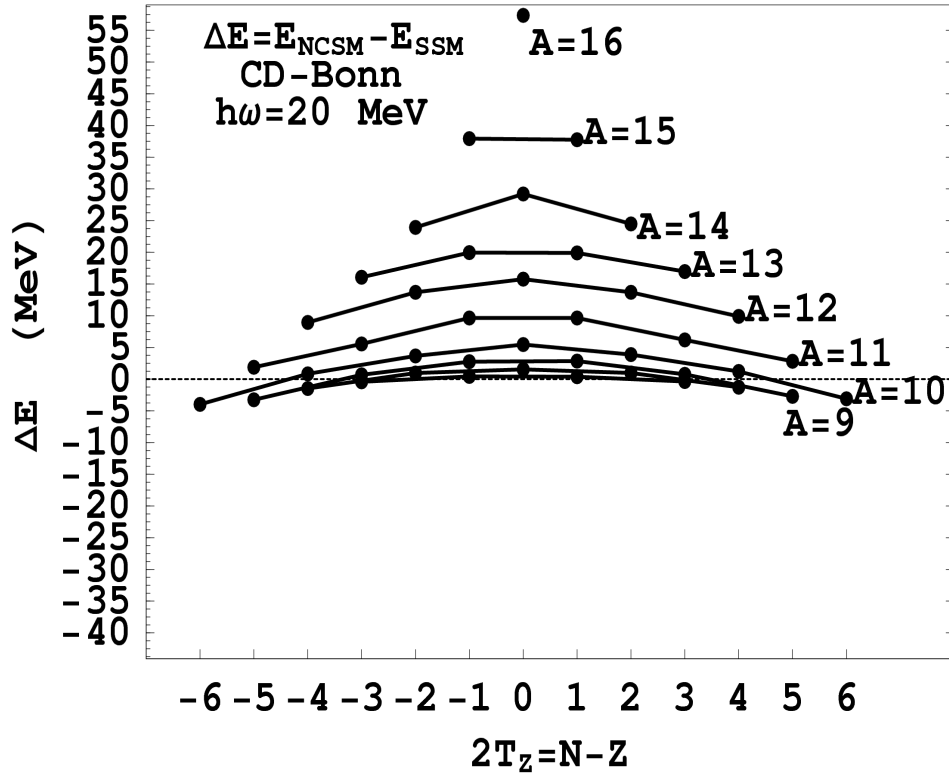
$$A=7: \quad W_{1/2} = 0.814 \text{ MeV}$$

$$W_{3/2} = -0.213 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{3,\text{mon}}(n, T) = \frac{n-2}{3} \left[D_1(n, T) \cdot W_{3/2} + D_0(n, T) \cdot W_{1/2} \right]$$

$$D_1(n, T) = \frac{3n(n-2)}{8} + \frac{1}{2}T(T+1), \quad D_0(n, T) = \frac{n(n+2)}{8} - \frac{1}{2}T(T+1)$$

3-body monopole, diagonal terms only



Three-body valence cluster approximation

Step 3: Calculate average three-body monopole, exact for A=7

$$W_{T_3} = \frac{1}{\sum_{rsu=1}^3 g_{rsu}(T_3)} \sum_{rsu=1}^3 g_{rsu}(T_3) W_{T_3}^{rsu}$$

$$A=7: \quad W_{1/2} = 0.402 \text{ MeV}$$

$$W_{3/2} = -0.400 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{3,\text{mon}}(n, T) = \frac{n-2}{3} \left[D_1(n, T) \cdot W_{3/2} + D_0(n, T) \cdot W_{1/2} \right]$$

$$D_1(n, T) = \frac{3n(n-2)}{8} + \frac{1}{2}T(T+1), \quad D_0(n, T) = \frac{n(n+2)}{8} - \frac{1}{2}T(T+1)$$

Three-Body Forces and the Limit of Oxygen Isotopes

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The limit of neutron-rich nuclei, the neutron drip line, evolves regularly from light to medium-mass nuclei except for a striking anomaly in the oxygen isotopes. This anomaly is not reproduced in shell-model calculations derived from microscopic two-nucleon forces. Here, we present the first microscopic explanation of the oxygen anomaly based on three-nucleon forces that have been established in few-body systems. This leads to repulsive contributions to the interactions among excess neutrons that change the location of the neutron drip line from ^{28}O to the experimentally observed ^{24}O . Since the mechanism is robust and general, our findings impact the prediction of the most neutron-rich nuclei and the synthesis of heavy elements in neutron-rich environments.

Origin of the anomalous long lifetime of ^{14}C

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We report the microscopic origins of the anomalously suppressed beta decay of ^{14}C to ^{14}N using the *ab initio* no-core shell model (NCSM) with the Hamiltonian from chiral effective field theory (EFT) including three-nucleon force (3NF) terms. The 3NF induces unexpectedly large cancellations within the *p*-shell between contributions to beta decay, which reduce the traditionally large contributions from the NN interactions by an order of magnitude, leading to the long lifetime of ^{14}C .

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Summary

3-step technique to construct effective Hamiltonian for SSM with a core :

#1 2-body UT of bare NN Hamiltonian (2-body cluster approximation)

#2 NCSM diagonalization in large N_{\max} space for $A = 4,5,6,7$

#3 many-body UT of NCSM Hamiltonian (up to 3-body valence cluster approximation)

Results:

- 1) strong mass dependence of core & one-body parts of H^{eff} .
- 2) 3-body effective interaction plays crucial role, its A -dependence is important
- 3) negligible role of 4-body and higher-order interactions for identical nucleons (for CD Bonn).
- 4) need to do SSM calculations with full 3-body effective interactions
- 5) It is always best to include the full 3-body effective/"real" interaction whenever possible!

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3BME with $T=3/2$ & 2BME with $T=1$

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

$$V_3^A(333; \frac{3}{2}) = \frac{1}{2}V_{2,3}^A(33; 0) + \frac{5}{2}V_{2,3}^A(33; 2)$$

$$V_3^A(331; \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{3}{4}V_{2,3}^A(13; 1) + \frac{5}{4}V_{2,3}^A(13; 2) + V_{2,3}^A(33; 0)$$

$$V_3^A(331; \frac{3}{2}) = \frac{6}{4}V_{2,3}^A(13; 1) + \frac{2}{4}V_{2,3}^A(13; 2) + V_{2,3}^A(33; 2)$$

$$V_3^A(331; \frac{5}{2}) = \frac{1}{4}V_{2,3}^A(13; 1) + \frac{7}{4}V_{2,3}^A(13; 2) + V_{2,3}^A(33; 2)$$

$$V_3^A(311; \frac{3}{2}) = \frac{3}{4}V_{2,3}^A(13; 1) + \frac{5}{4}V_{2,3}^A(13; 2) + V_{2,3}^A(11; 0)$$

off-diagonal 3BME with T=3/2 & 2BME with T=1

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

$$\langle 333 | V_3^{A,7} | 331 \rangle_{3/2} = -\sqrt{\frac{5}{4}} \langle 33 | V_{2,3}^{A,7} | 31 \rangle_2,$$

$$\langle 331 | V_3^{A,7} | 311 \rangle_{3/2} = -\sqrt{\frac{5}{4}} \langle 33 | V_{2,3}^{A,7} | 31 \rangle_2,$$

$$\langle 333 | V_3^{A,7} | 311 \rangle_{3/2} = -\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} \langle 33 | V_{2,3}^{A,7} | 11 \rangle_0$$

$$V_2^{A,6}(ab; J_2) \rightarrow V_2^{A,6}(ab; J_2) + \frac{A - A_c - 2}{3} V_{2,3}^A(ab; J_2)$$

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

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

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

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;

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

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

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

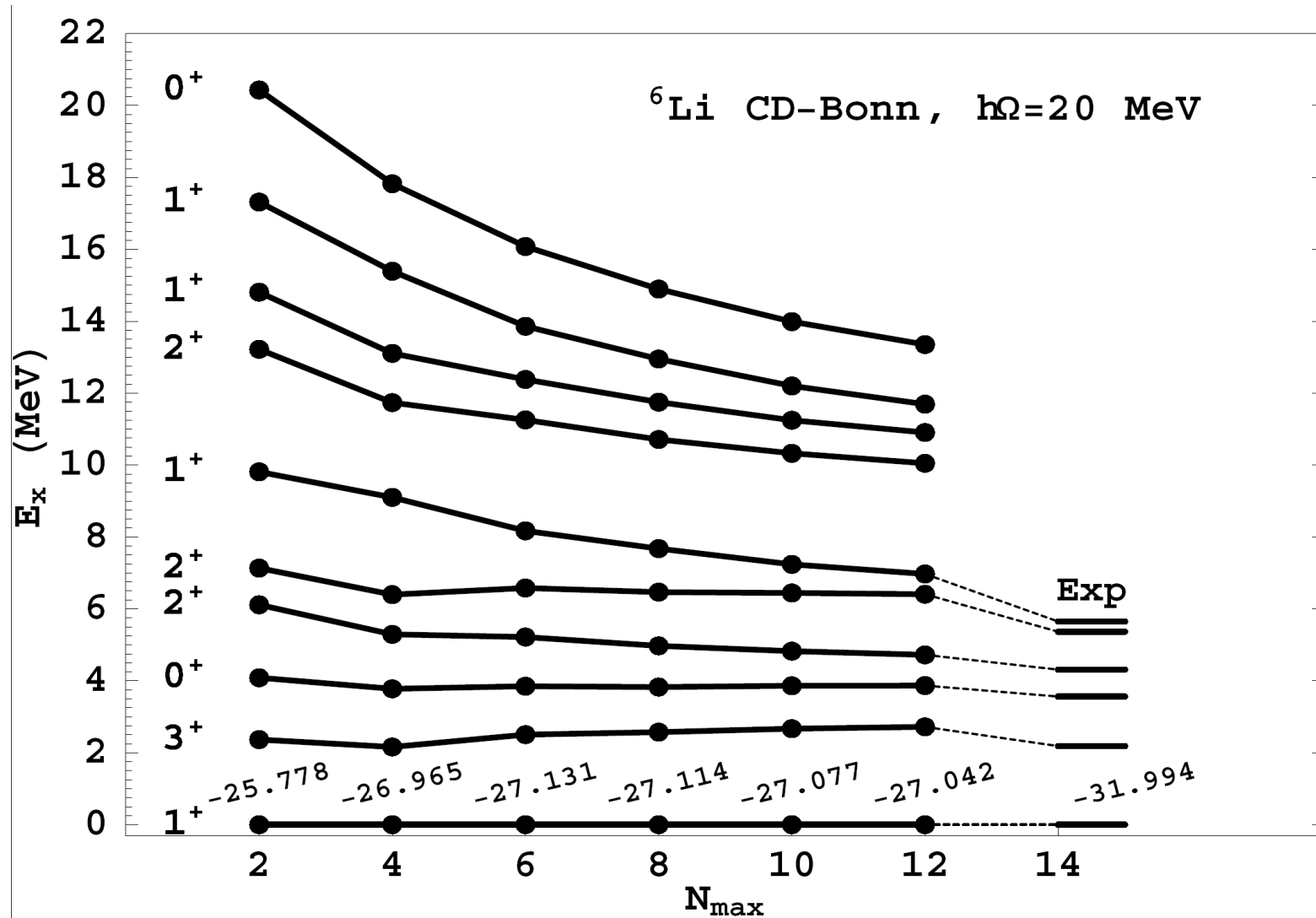
Two ways of convergence:

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

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

NCSM results for ${}^6\text{Li}$ with CD-Bonn NN potential

Dimensions p-space: 10; $N_{\text{max}}=12$: 48 887 665; $N_{\text{max}}=14$: 211 286 096



Effective Hamiltonian for SSM

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;

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

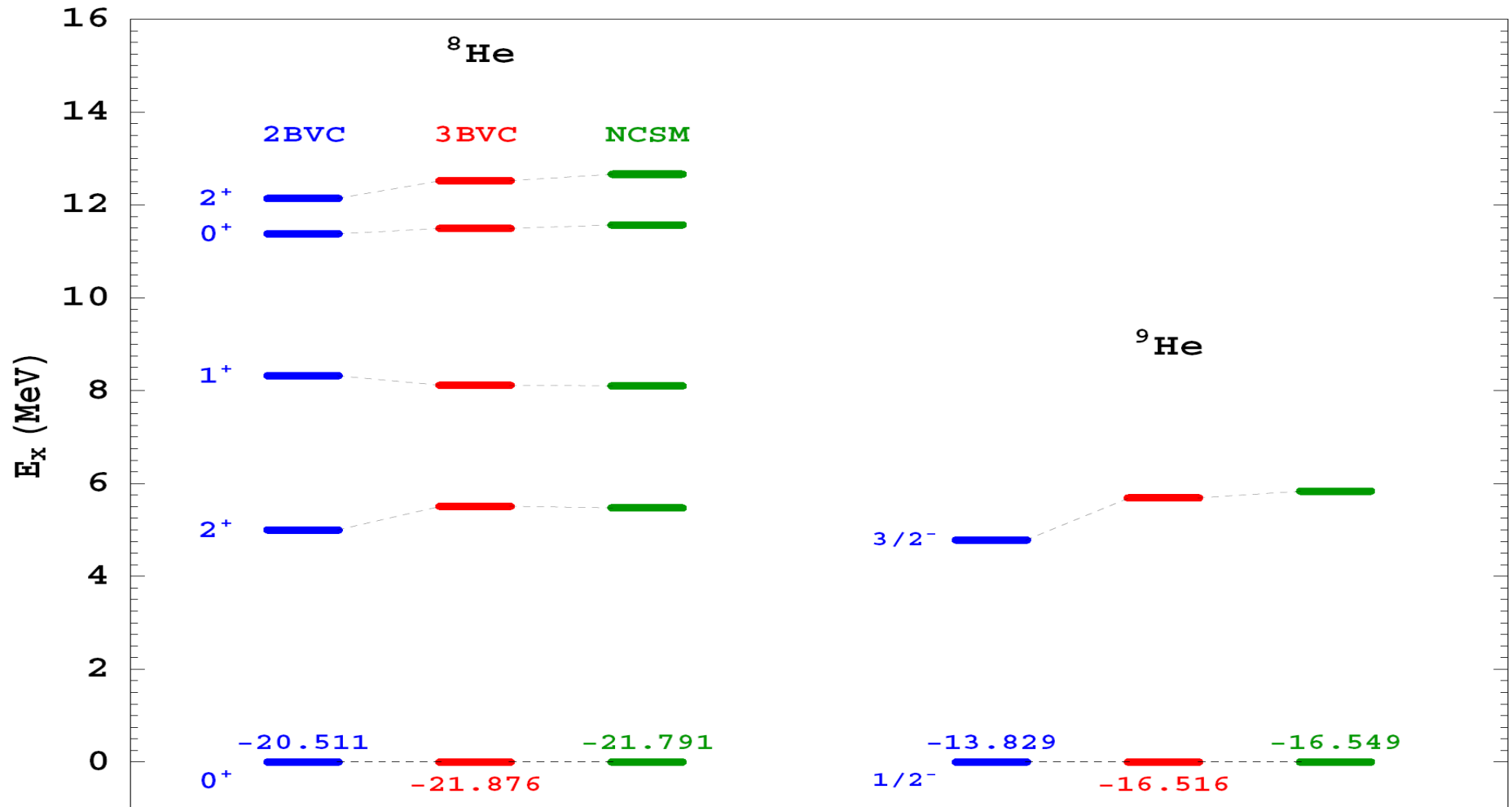
Valence Cluster Expansion

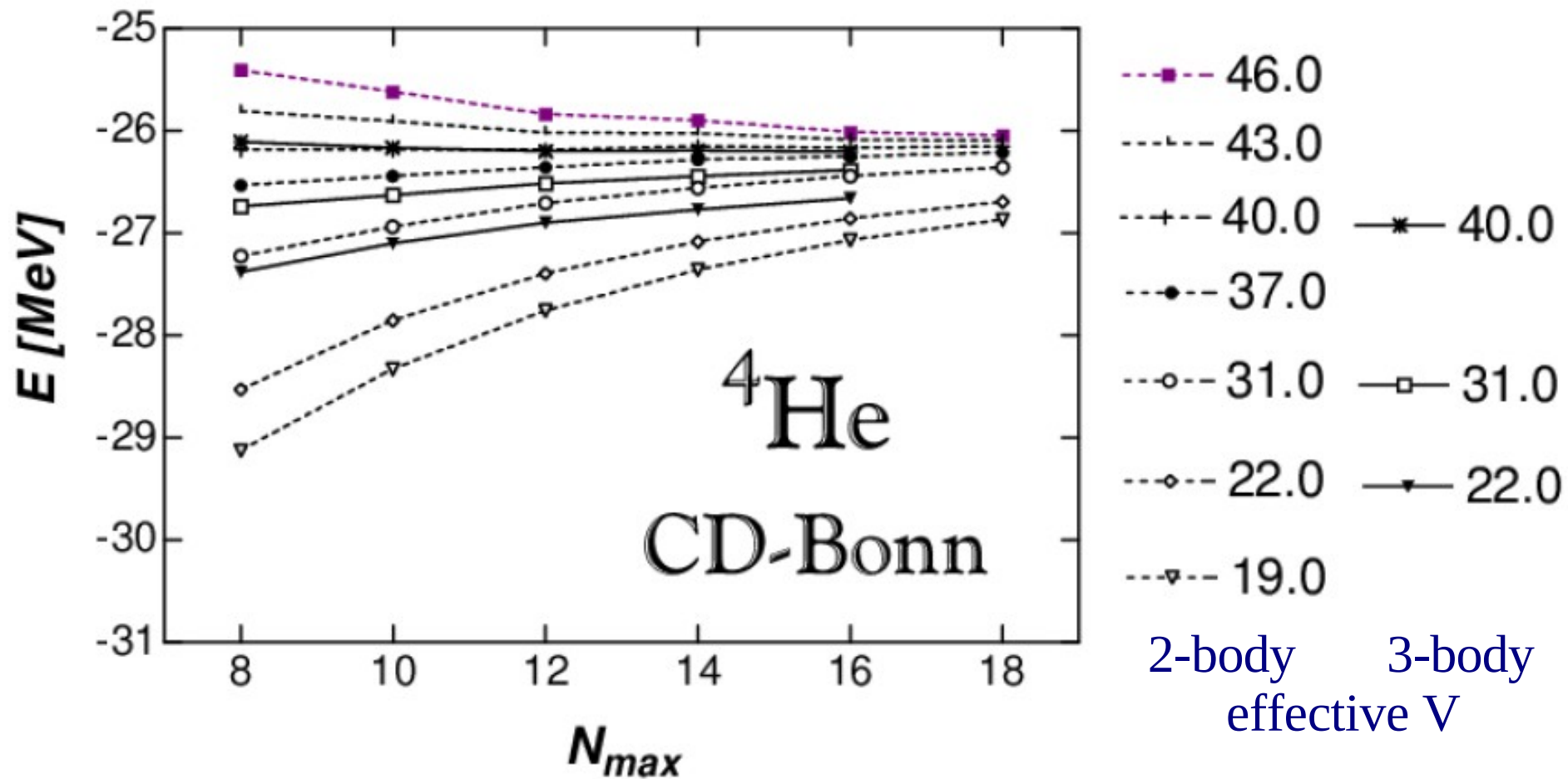
$N_{1,\max} = 0$ space (p-space); $a_1 = A_c + a_v$; a_1 - order of cluster;

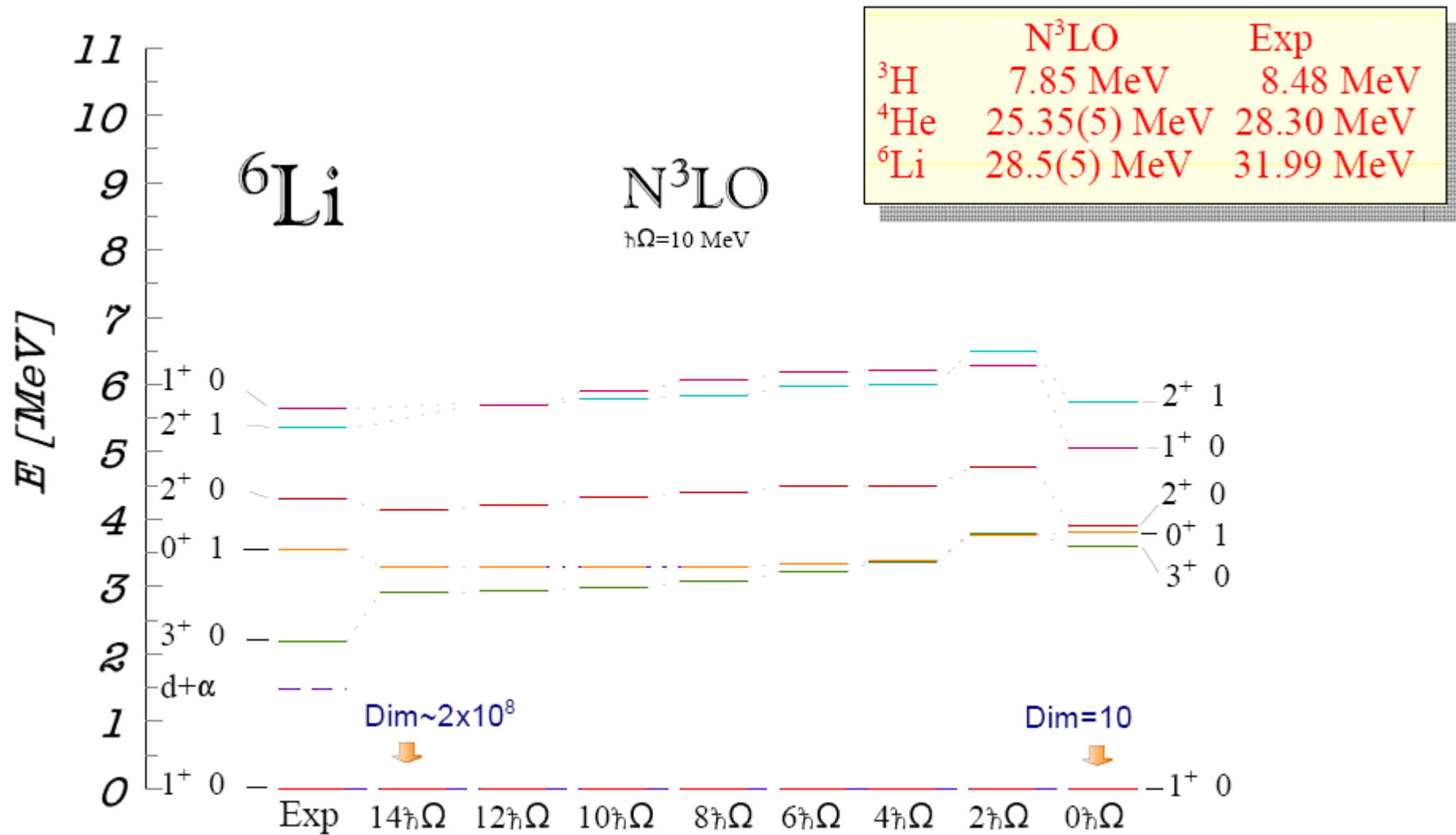
A_c - number of nucleons in core; a_v - order of valence cluster;

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

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







Effective operators from exact many-body renormalization

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We construct effective two-body Hamiltonians and $E2$ operators for the p shell by performing $16\hbar\Omega$ *ab initio* no-core shell model (NCSM) calculations for $A = 5$ and $A = 6$ nuclei and explicitly projecting the many-body Hamiltonians and $E2$ operator onto the $0\hbar\Omega$ space. We then separate the effective $E2$ operator into one-body and two-body contributions employing the two-body valence cluster approximation. We analyze the convergence of proton and neutron valence one-body contributions with increasing model space size and explore the role of valence two-body contributions. We show that the constructed effective $E2$ operator can be parametrized in terms of one-body effective charges giving a good estimate of the NCSM result for heavier p -shell nuclei.

$$E_J = \mathcal{U}_J \mathcal{H}_J \mathcal{U}_J^\dagger. \quad (4)$$

This same eigenstate matrix \mathcal{U}_J can also be used to calculate the matrix elements of other effective operators, $\mathcal{O}_{A,\alpha_1}^{\text{eff}}(\lambda k; JJ')$, between basis states with spins J and J' in the $0\hbar\Omega$ space:

$$\mathcal{M}_{A,\alpha_1}^{\text{eff}}(\lambda k; JJ') = \mathcal{U}_J \mathcal{O}_{A,\alpha_1}^{\text{eff}}(\lambda k; JJ') \mathcal{U}_{J'}^\dagger, \quad (5)$$

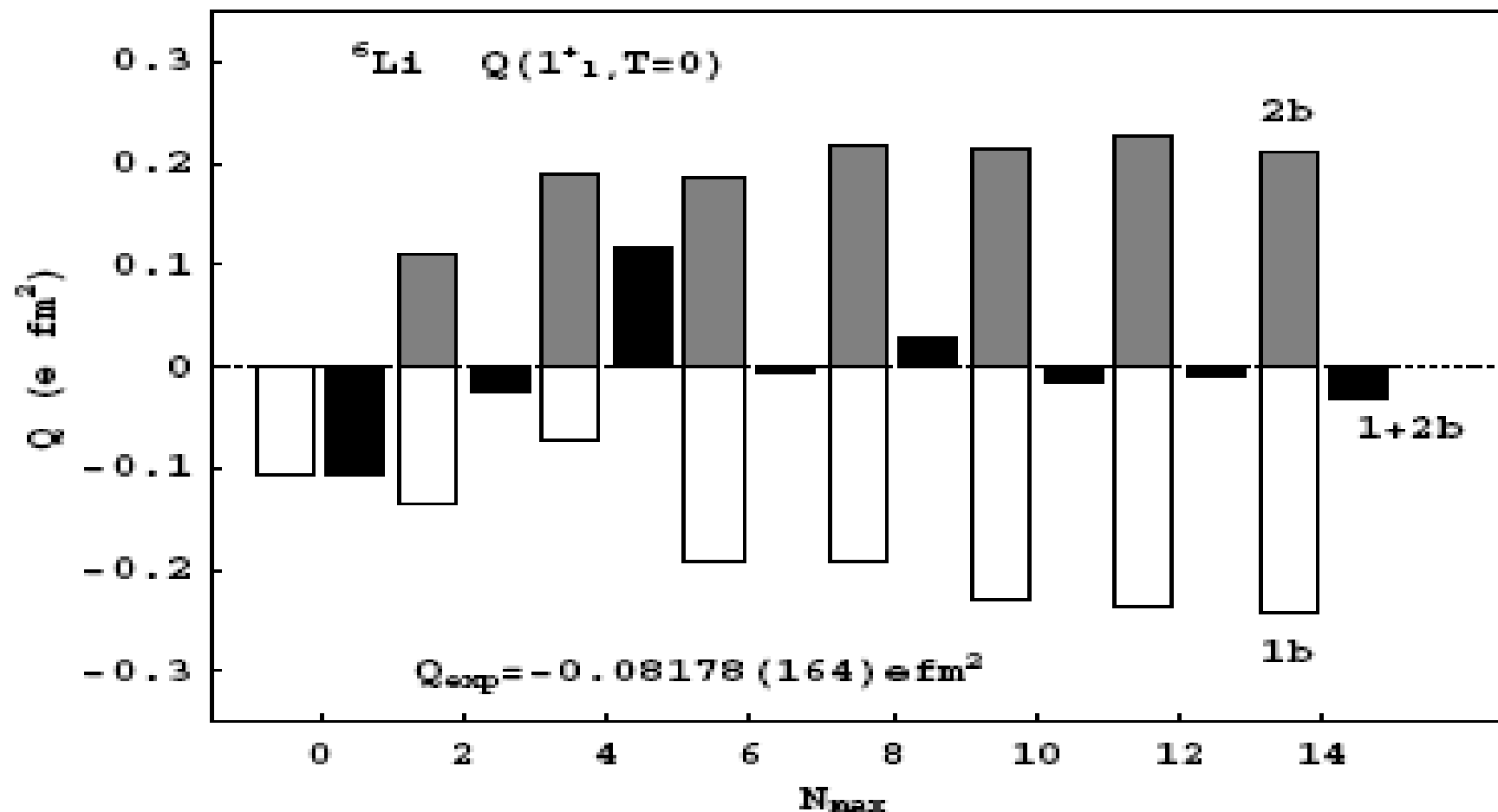


FIG. 6: The quadrupole moment of the ground state for ${}^6\text{Li}$ ($1^+(T = 0)$) is shown in terms of one- and two-body contributions as a function of increasing model space size.