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Exploring sd-shell nuclei from two- and three-nucleon interactions with realistic saturation properties

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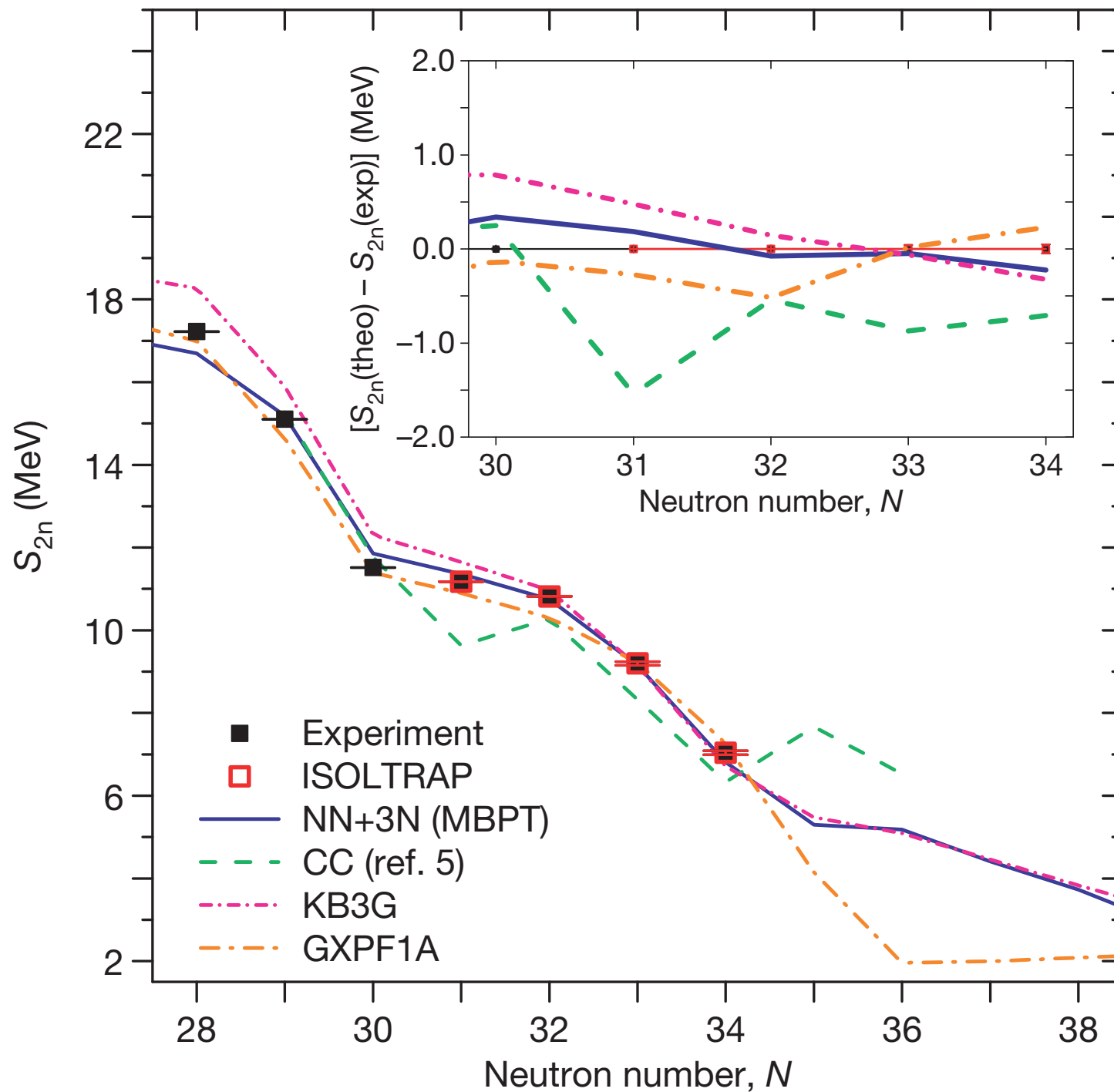
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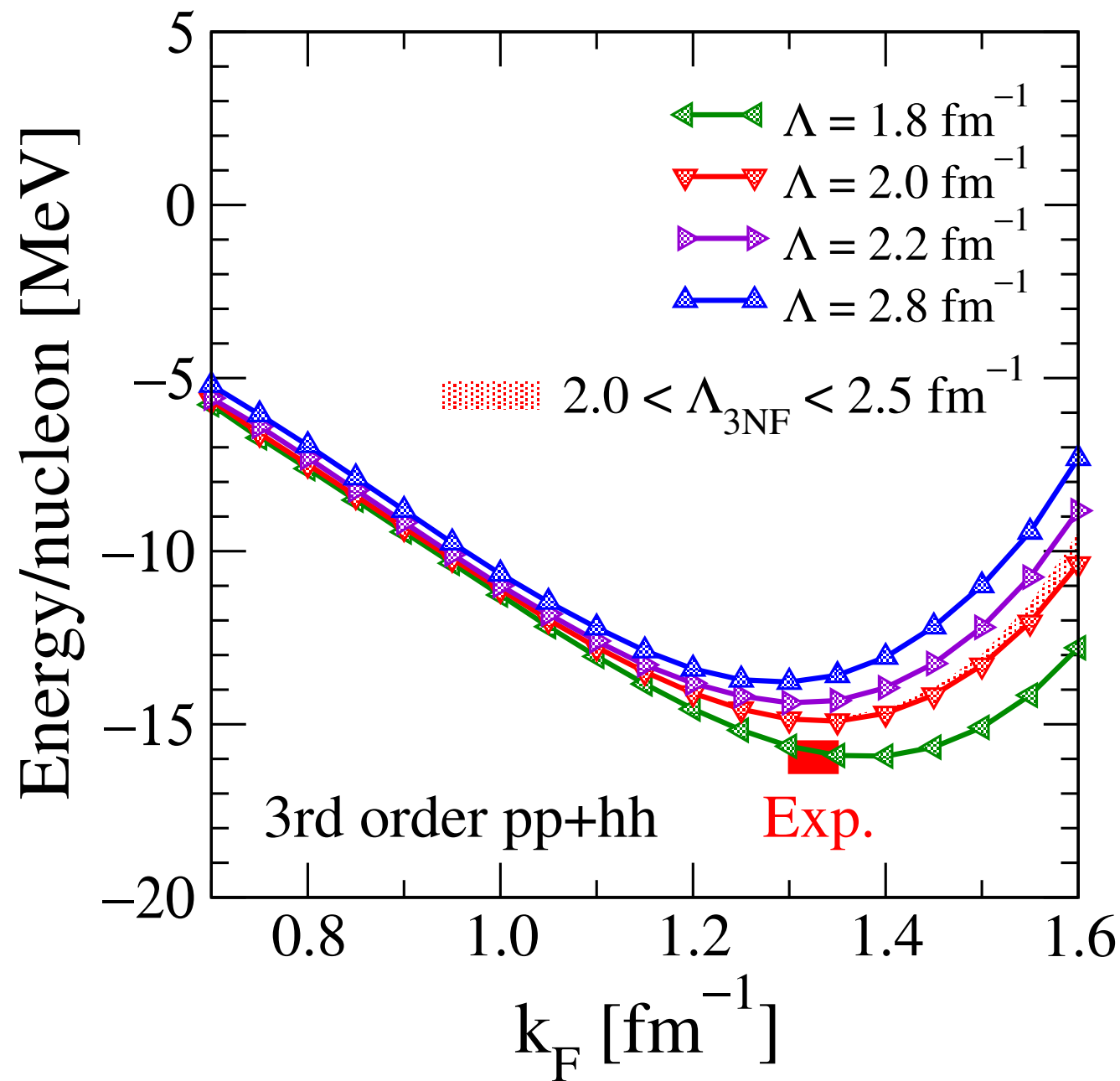
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Motivation



- Excellent agreement with new $^{53,54}\text{Ca}$ separation energies measured at ISOLTRAP/ISOLDE
- Clearly establish $N=32$ shell closure
- But: Results based on a single-resolution scale!

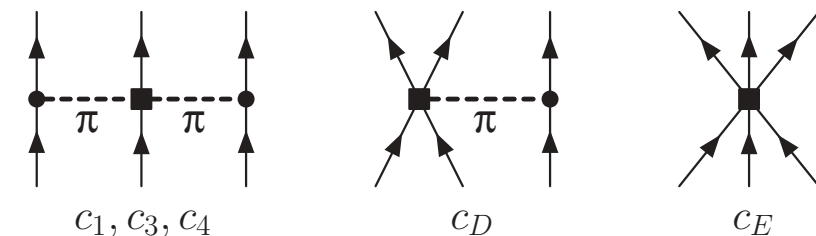
Input Hamiltonian



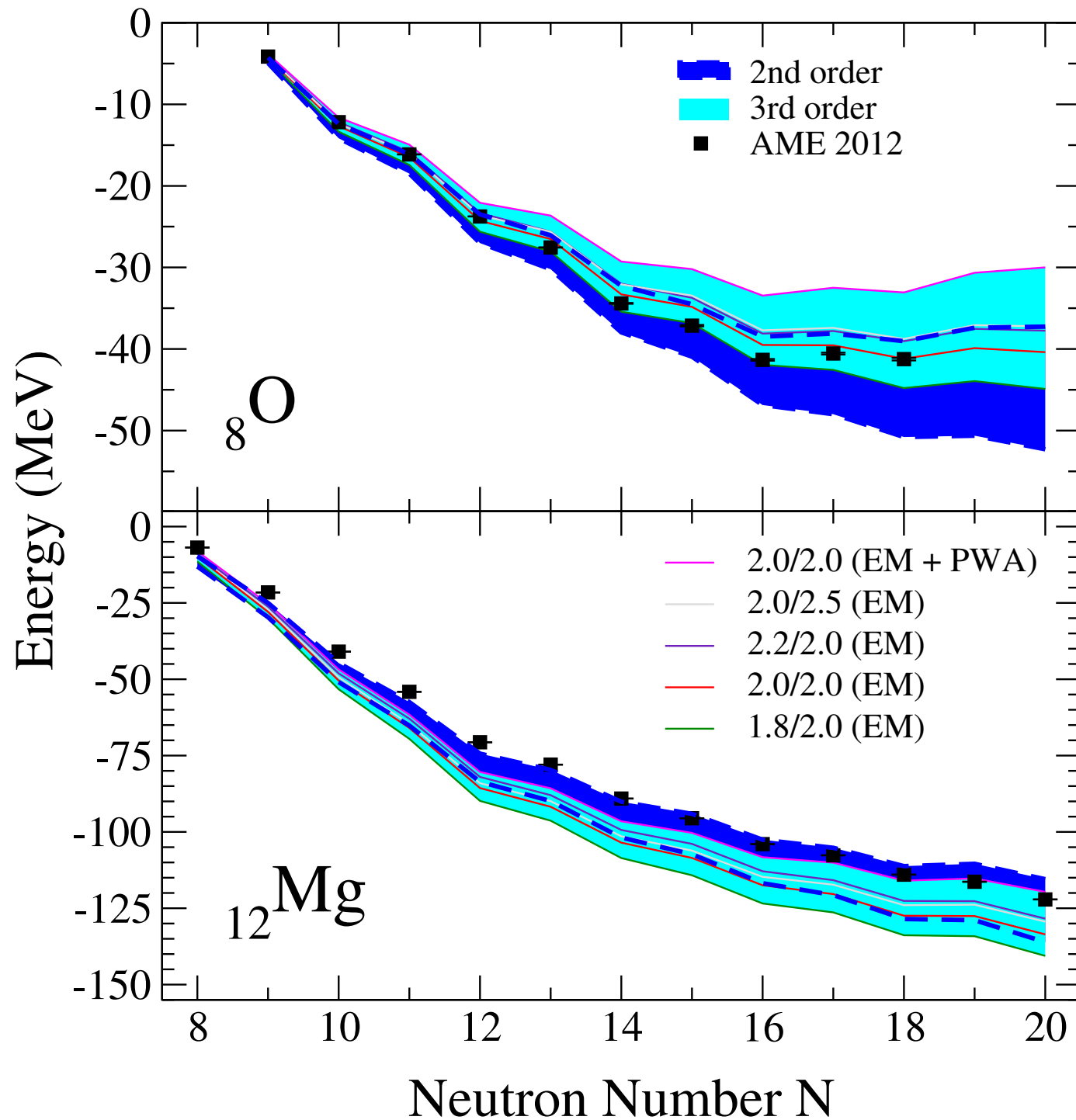
- Evolve N³LO NN potential EM 500 MeV to low-momentum interaction $V_{\text{low } k}$
- For each $V_{\text{low } k}$ cutoff Λ fit two couplings c_D, c_E to $E^3\text{H}$ and $r^4\text{He}$ using non-local regulator
- In addition, vary 3N cutoff $\Lambda_{3\text{NF}}$ independently of Λ
- Include **uncertainties** in c_i 's by using PWA values in 3N force

- **Realistic** saturation properties within **theoretical uncertainties**

Λ or $\lambda/\Lambda_{3\text{NF}}$ (fm)	$V_{\text{low } k}$	
	c_D	c_E
1.8/2.0 (EM c_i 's)	+1.621	-0.143
2.0/2.0 (EM c_i 's)	+1.705	-0.109
2.0/2.5 (EM c_i 's)	+0.230	-0.538
2.2/2.0 (EM c_i 's)	+1.575	-0.102
2.8/2.0 (EM c_i 's)	+1.463	-0.029
2.0/2.0 (EGM c_i 's)	-4.381	-1.126
2.0/2.0 (PWA c_i 's)	-2.632	-0.677

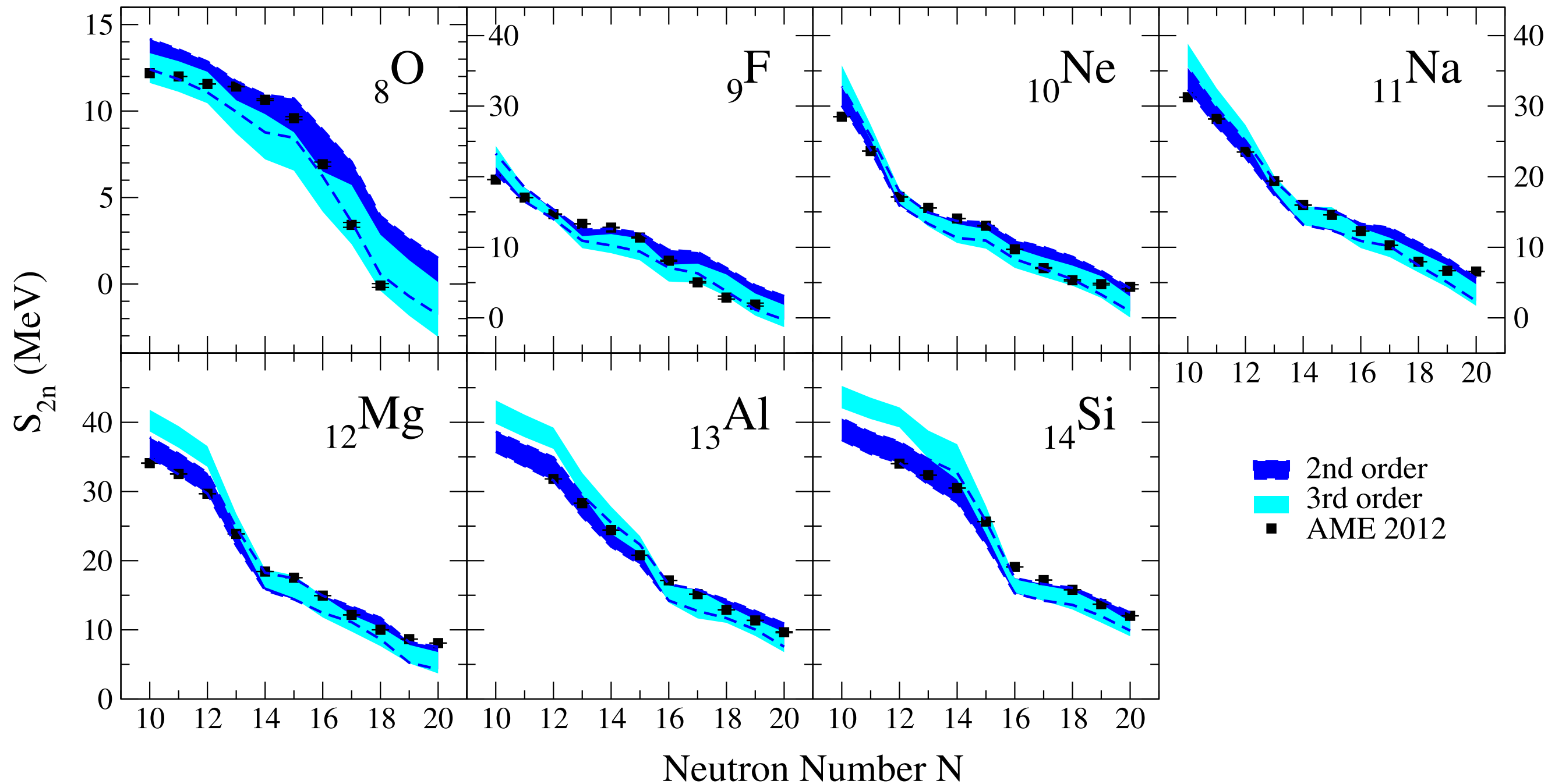


Ground-state energies



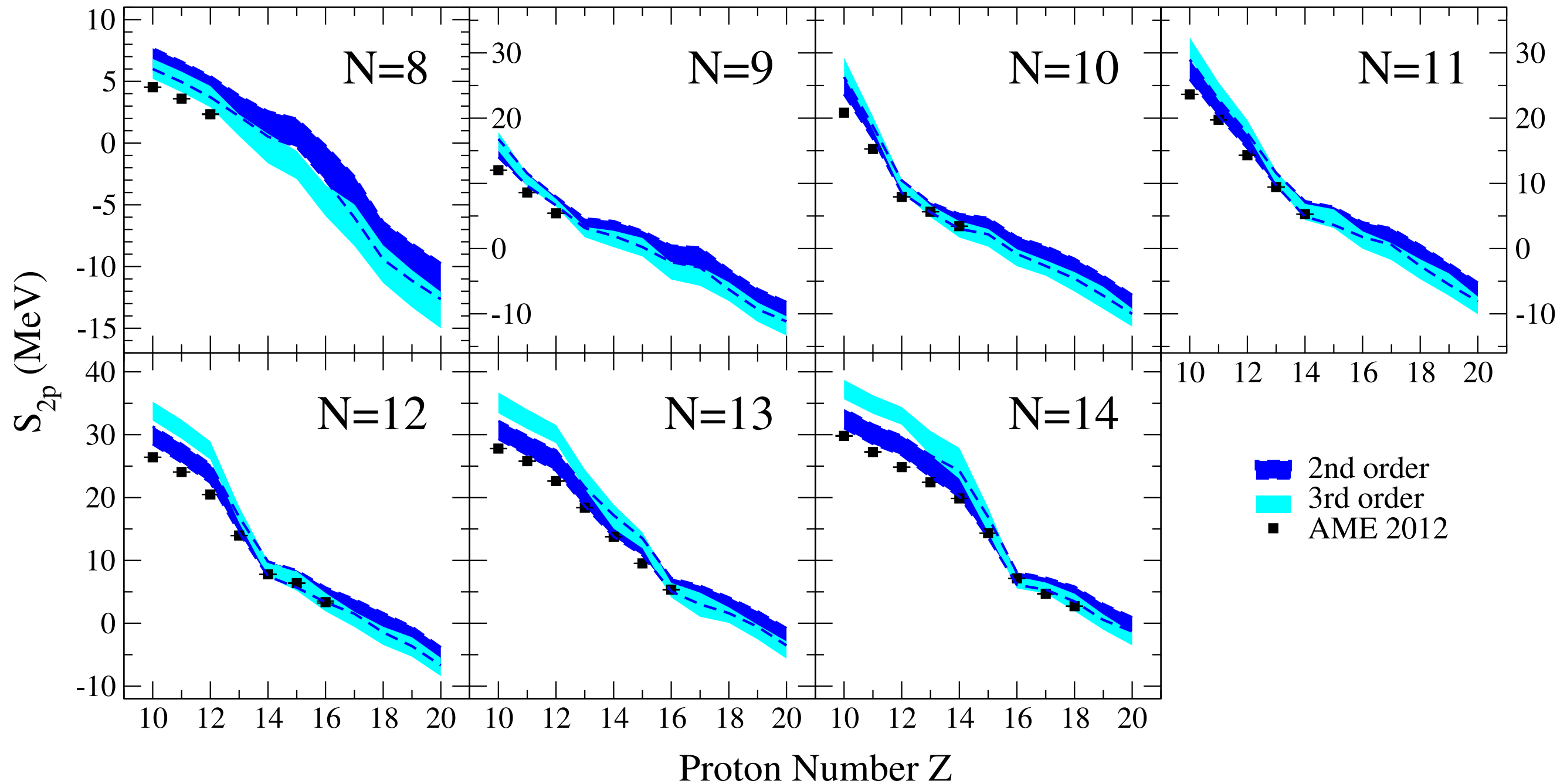
- Single-particle energies and two-body matrix elements calculated to 2nd and 3rd order in MBPT
- **Uncertainty** due to input Hamiltonian 1.2 MeV per valence particle in ${}^{28}\text{O}$
- **Difference** between 2nd- and 3rd-order results 0.6 MeV per valence particle in ${}^{28}\text{O}$
- **Overbinding** in Mg due to pn (T=0) part of the effective interaction

Two-neutron separation energies



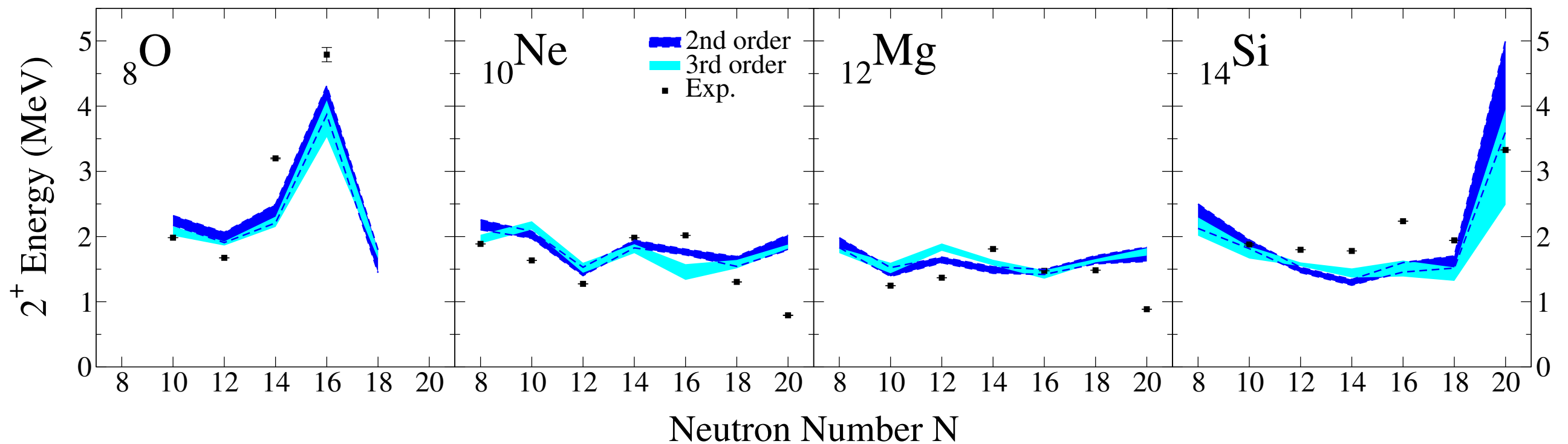
- Uncertainty of ~ 5 MeV for **neutron-rich isotopes**, dominated by input Hamiltonian
- For some $N \leq Z$ **isotopes** many-body uncertainty comparable, in total ~ 10 MeV

Two-proton separation energies



- Experimental trends of **proton-rich isotones** are reasonably well reproduced
- S_{2p} 's are over predicted for **proton-deficient isotones** by 1-3 MeV

2^+ excitation energies



- **Uncertainty** from input Hamiltonian typically a few hundred keV
- Not all experimental excitation energies are reproduced, especially **deformed** 2^+ states in ^{30}Ne , ^{32}Mg not described in sd-shell calculations