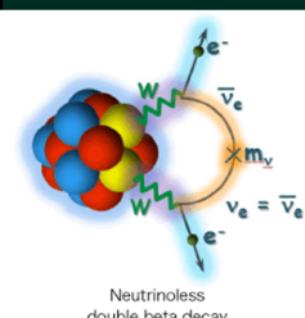




# $0\nu\beta\beta$ 衰变矩阵元的从头计算 —从核衰变到中微子质量



$T^{1/2} > 10^{26} \text{ yr}$



$m_{\beta\beta} < 0.1 \text{ eV}$

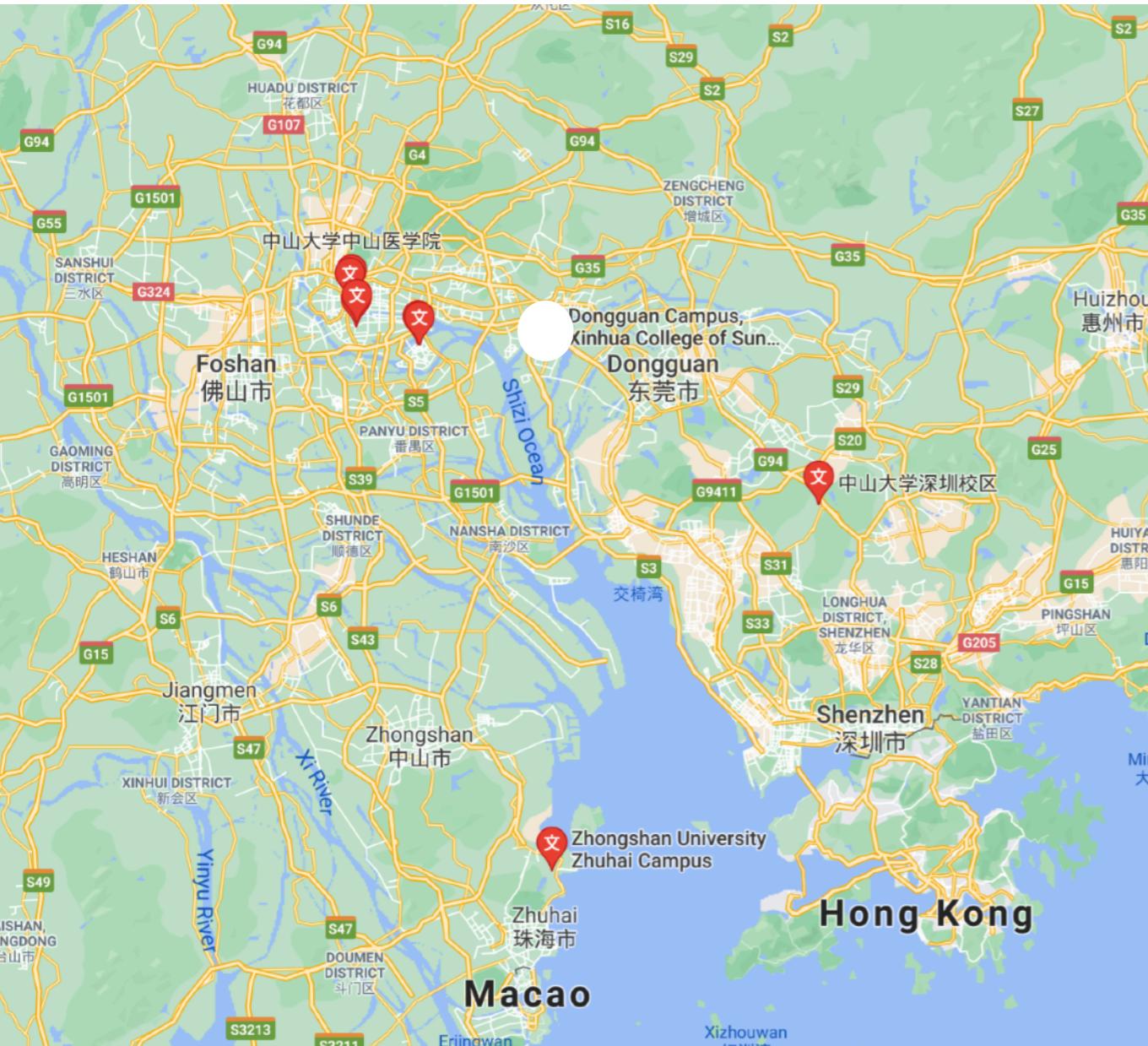


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1927

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1929

1952

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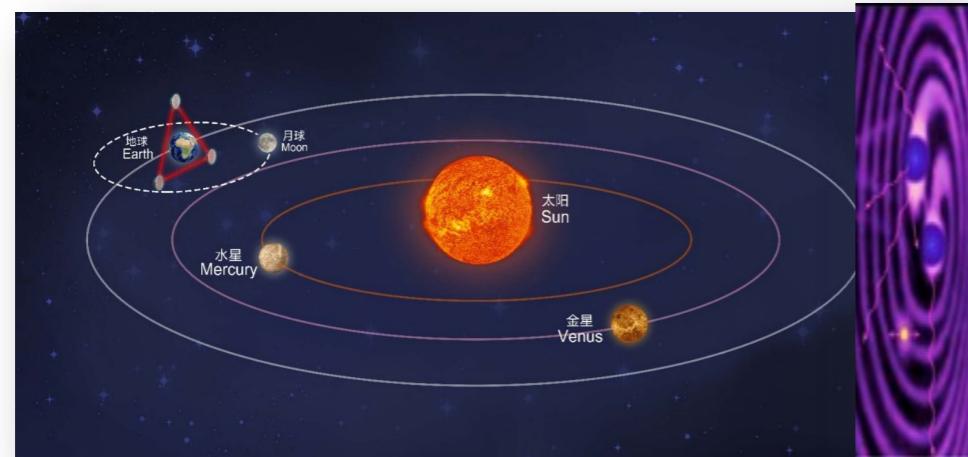
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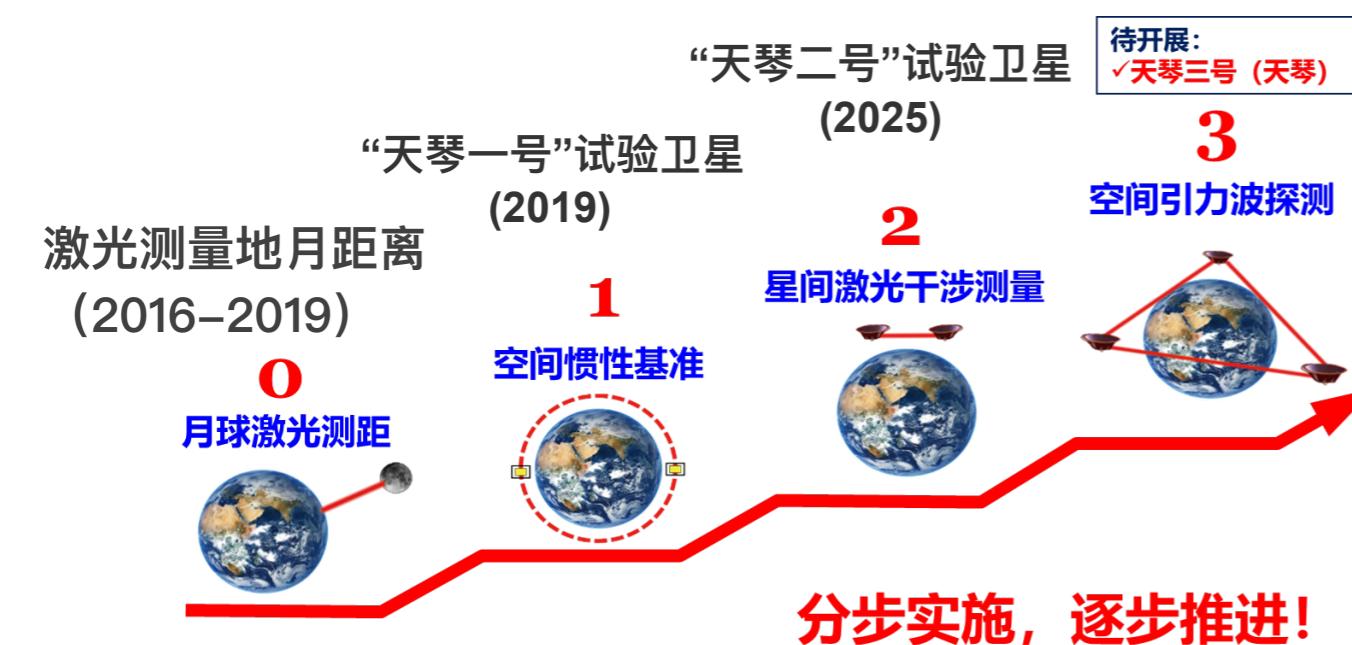


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理论物理	10	2	宇宙学、引力理论、量子场论、弦论、粒子物理与核物理、粒子天体物理、量子物理
量子物理	18	9	人工量子体系及其调控、原子分子光物理、冷原子物理、量子光学、精密光谱学、量子精密测量与传感、量子计算、量子模拟、量子通信等
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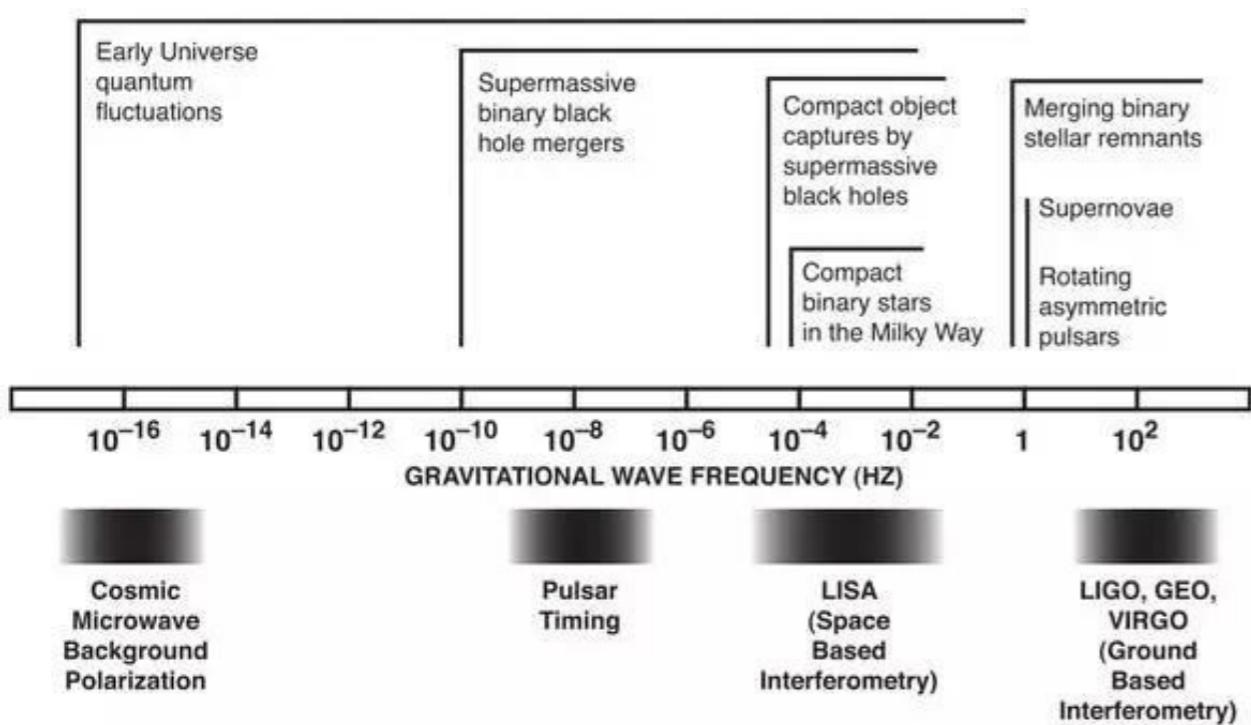
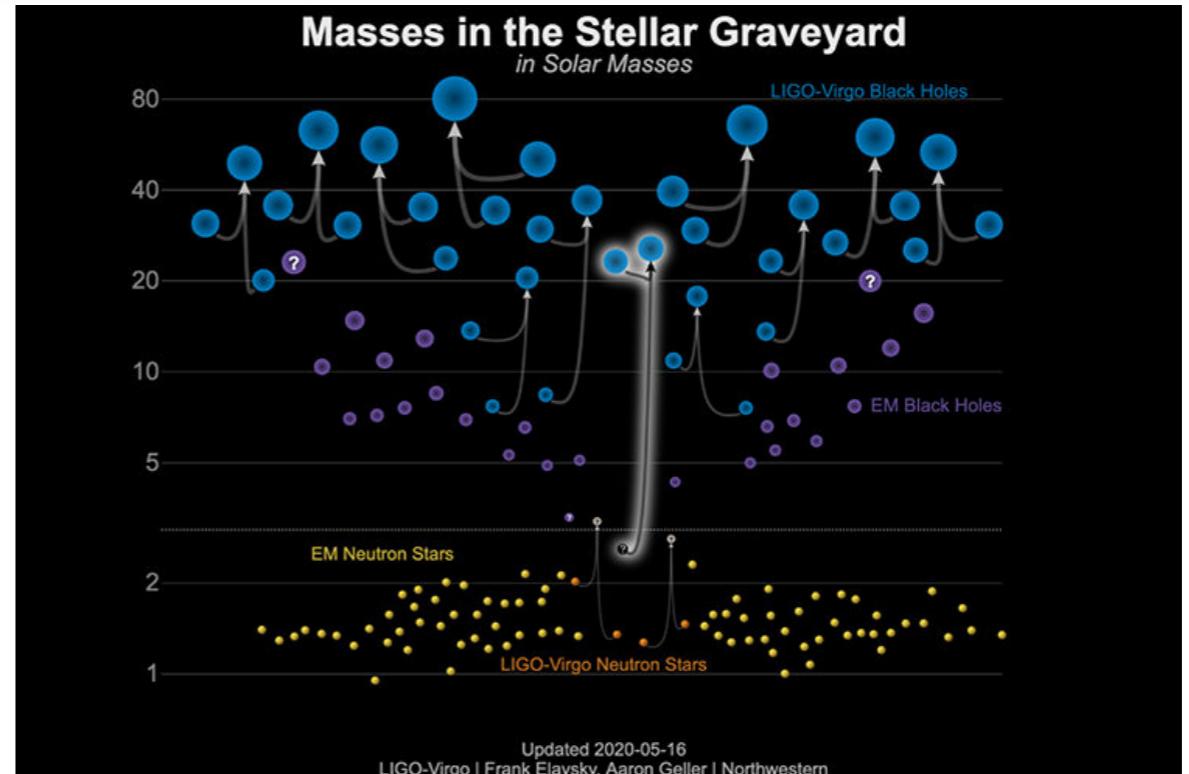
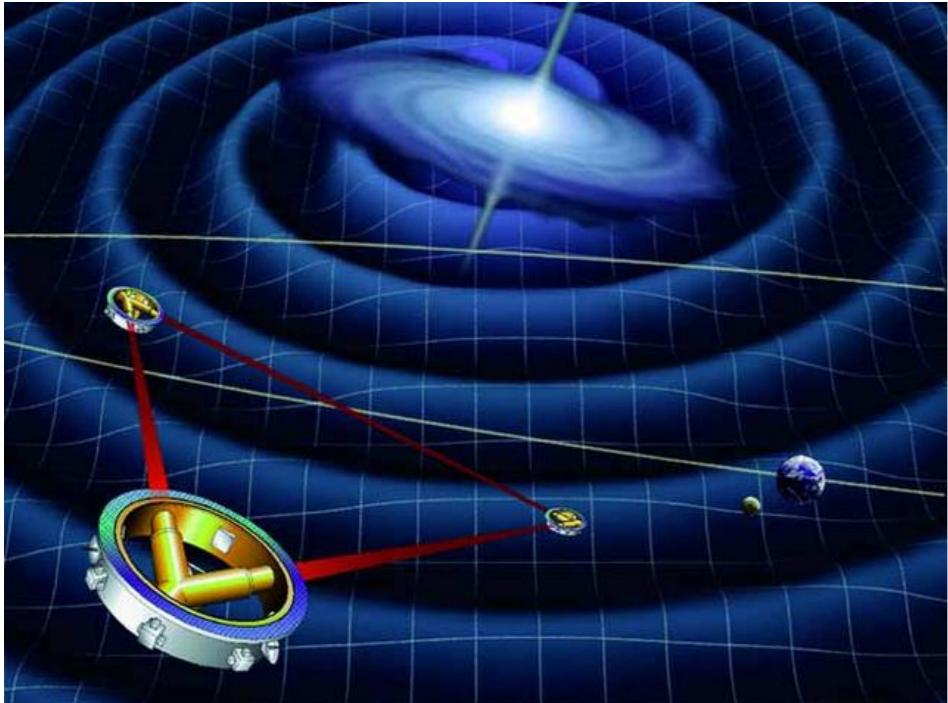


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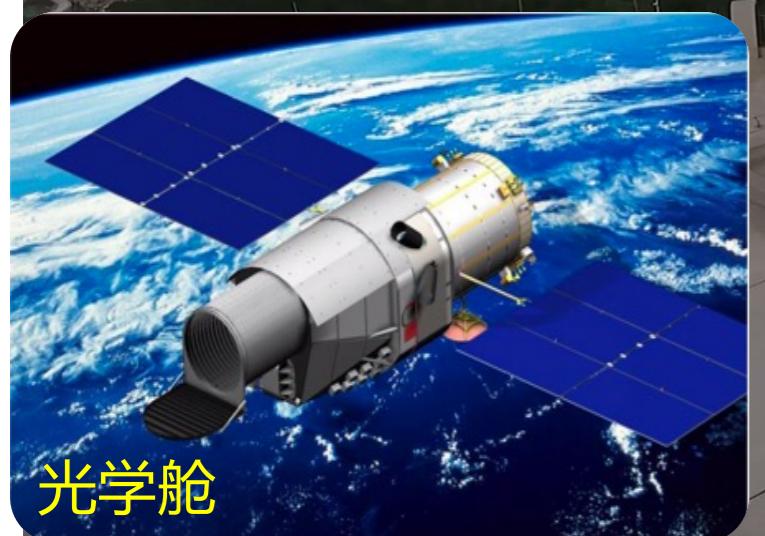
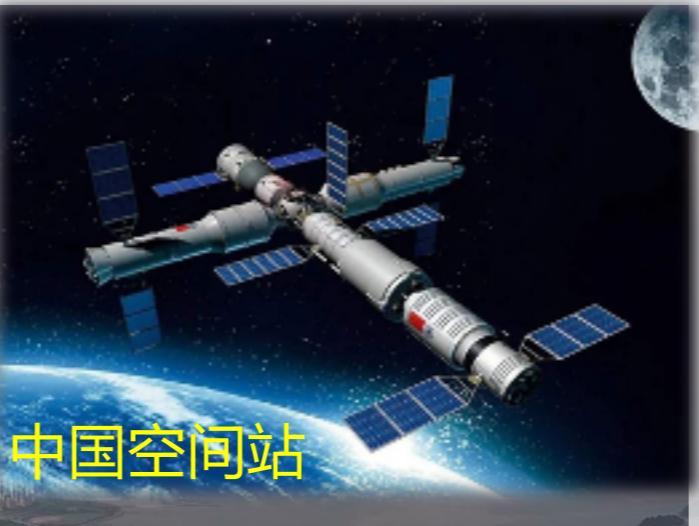
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天琴计划

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### 量子工程与精密测量团队



### 量子信息与测控团队

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- ② 量子精密测量与量子传感器件（量子精密测量理论、冷原子精密重力测量、高精度冷原子（离子）光钟、电磁场灵敏探测等）；
- ③ 多体量子物理与量子动力学（冷原子物理、量子材料、量子光子学、量子关联与量子相变、拓扑物态与拓扑相变、非平衡量子力学、集体量子现象、量子输运、量子人工智能等）。

- ① 超冷原子量子模拟与测控（原子气体玻色-爱因斯坦凝聚和费米凝聚、强相互作用量子气体、同核与异核分子量子气体、原子气体的偶极相互作用和人工规范场，原子光子混合干涉仪，冷原子短程力精密测量等）
- ② 囚禁离子量子计算与测控（模块化囚禁离子量子计算，离子光子量子纠缠网络、离子与自发辐射光子量子界面、囚禁离子洛伦兹对称性测量，囚禁离子陀螺仪等）
- ③ 飞秒光梳量子测控与精密光谱（光梳超快控制量子体系，红外和紫外宽光谱精密光梳，双光梳光谱技术，精密宽光谱分子光谱，光梳光谱和波长调制光谱的远程大气遥感等）
- ④ 激光量子相干控制（相干拉曼散射合成飞秒光梳，非线性光子远距离遥感成像，多光子量子相干控制，便携式光学和原子传感平台等）
- ⑤ 原子、光子、固体比特混合量子网络（单光子波长转换技术、混合量子网络的纠缠与不确定性检验、原子比特与固体比特纠缠等）



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## ◆ Introduction to $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay

- ▶ Significance
- ▶ Status

## ◆ Advances in (ab initio) modeling NME of $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay

- ▶ Challenges
- ▶ Achievements

## ◆ Summary and Outlook



Contents can be found in the talks ...

# Workshop on neutrinoless double beta decay, May 19-23, 2021 SYSU (Zhuhai)

<https://nldbd-china.github.io>

## Program

Thursday, May 20

**Chair:** 张鹏鸣

08:30-08:40 物理与天文学院涂

08:40-08:50 中法核学院王为院

**Chair:** 张肇西

08:50-09:50 邢志忠, Majorana

09:50-10:20 Coffee Break

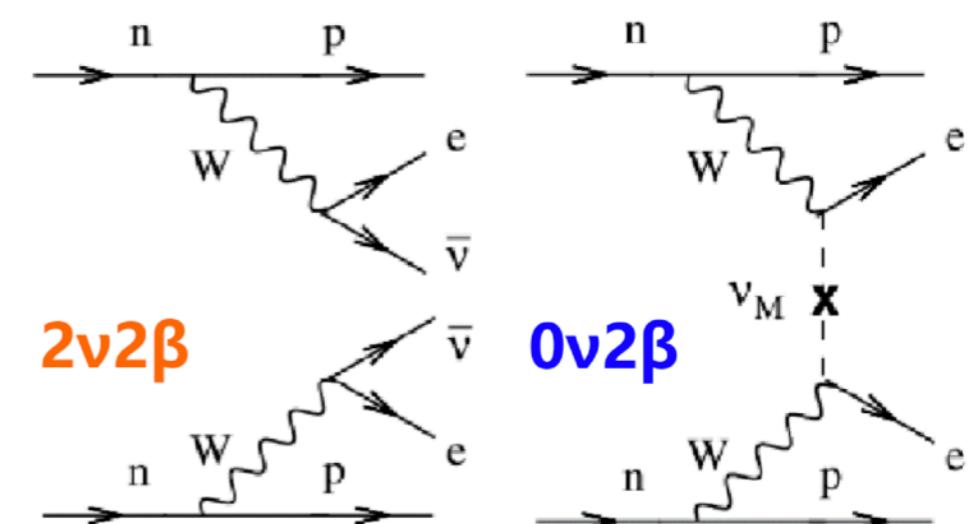
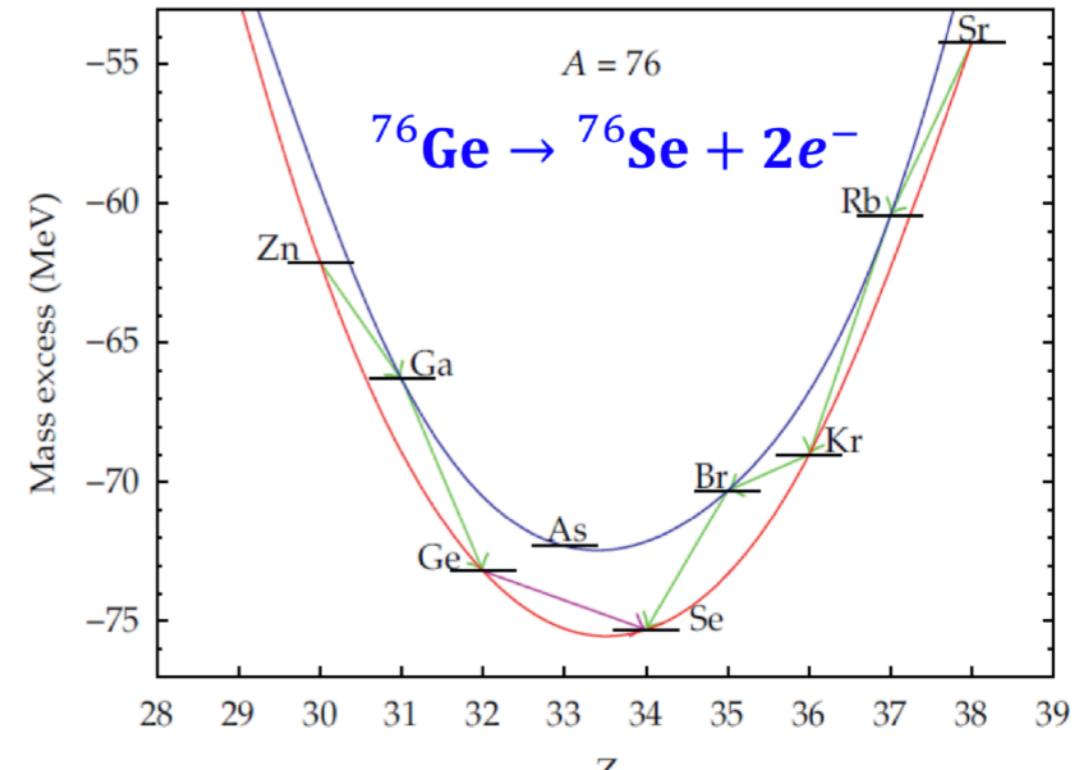
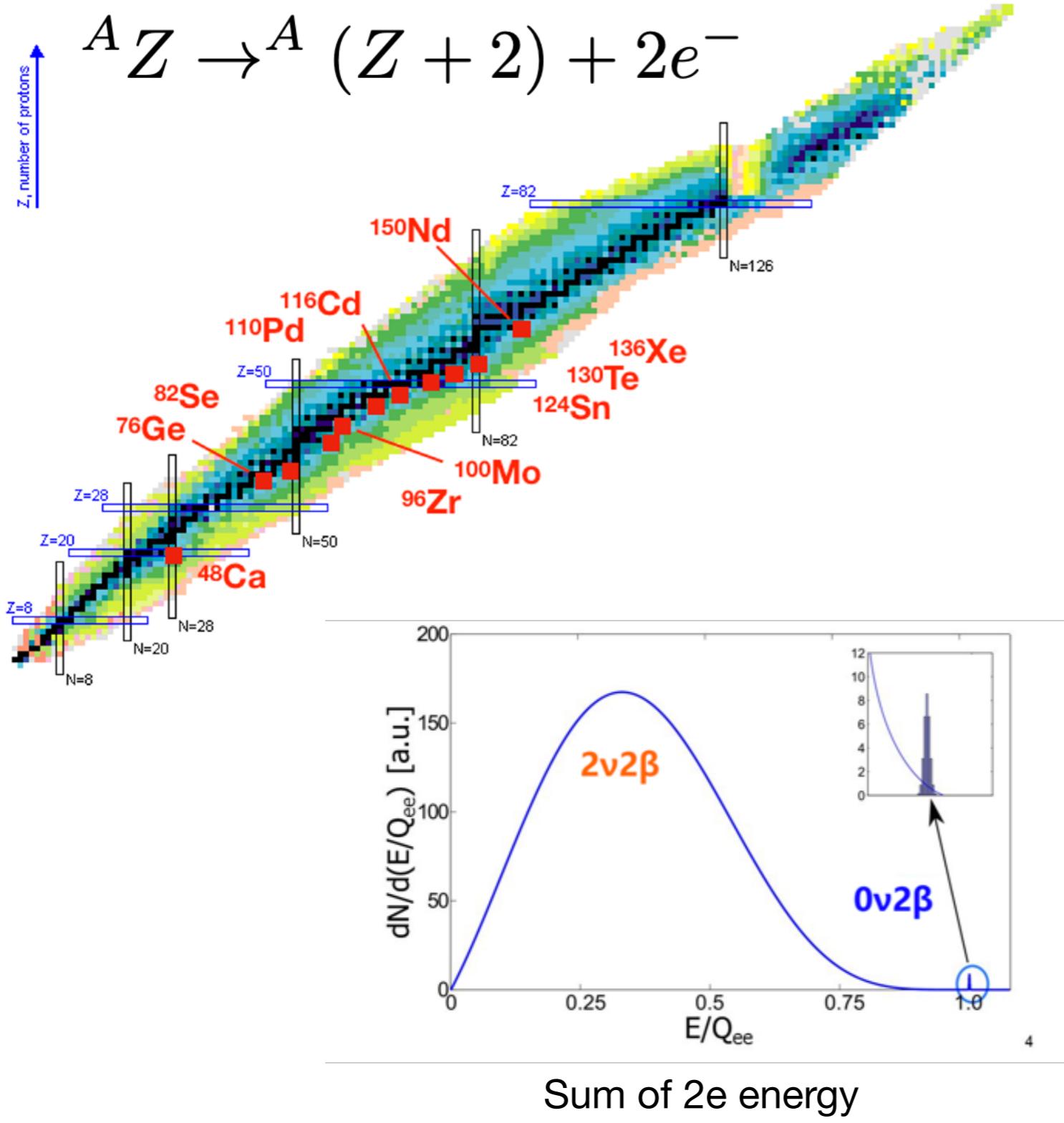
**Chair:** 王为

10:20-11:00 仇浩, NvDEx 实验

11:00-11:40 杨丽桃,  $^{76}\text{Ge}-0\nu\beta\beta$



# What is $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay?

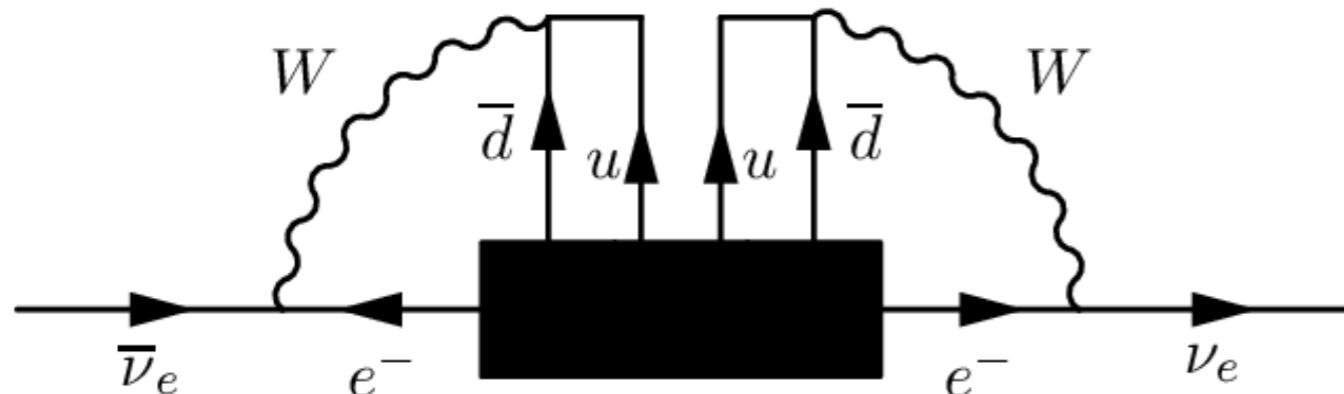


- Maria Goeppert-Mayer(1935):  $2\nu\beta\beta$  decay
- Ettore Majorana (1937): neutrino=anti-neutrino
- Wendell Furry(1939):  $0\nu\beta\beta$  decay  $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} \sim 10^{-5} T_{1/2}^{2\nu}$

# Why $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay?

**Schechter-Valle Theorem (1982):**

If the  $0\nu\beta\beta$  decay happens, there must exist an effective Majorana neutrino mass term.



Even though this mass is too small to explain neutrino oscillation data.

$$\delta m_\nu \lesssim 0(10^{-28} \text{ eV})$$

Duerr, Lindner, Merle, JHEP, 2011;  
Liu, Zhang, Zhou, PLB, 2016

## Significance

- Nature of neutrinos: Majorana or Dirac
- Lepton-number-violation process (implication for matter-antimatter asymmetry)
- Effective neutrino mass

$$[T_{1/2}^{0\nu}]^{-1} = g_A^4 G_{0\nu} \left| \frac{\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle}{m_e} \right|^2 |M^{0\nu}|^2,$$

$$\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^3 U_{ej}^2 m_j = m_1 c_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 + m_2 s_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 e^{i\alpha_{21}} + m_3 s_{13}^2 e^{i(\alpha_{31}-2\delta)}$$

$$|\nu_\alpha\rangle = \sum_{j=1}^3 U_{\alpha j}^* |\nu_j\rangle,$$

↑   ↑  
Flavor                                      Mass  
(e, mu, tau)                           (1, 2, 3)

# Why $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay?

Pontecorvo-Maki-Nakagawa-Sakata (PMNS) matrix

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} \\ U_{\mu 1} & U_{\mu 2} & U_{\mu 3} \\ U_{\tau 1} & U_{\tau 2} & U_{\tau 3} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \mathcal{P}$$

Current information on neutrino parameters from neutrino oscillation measurements

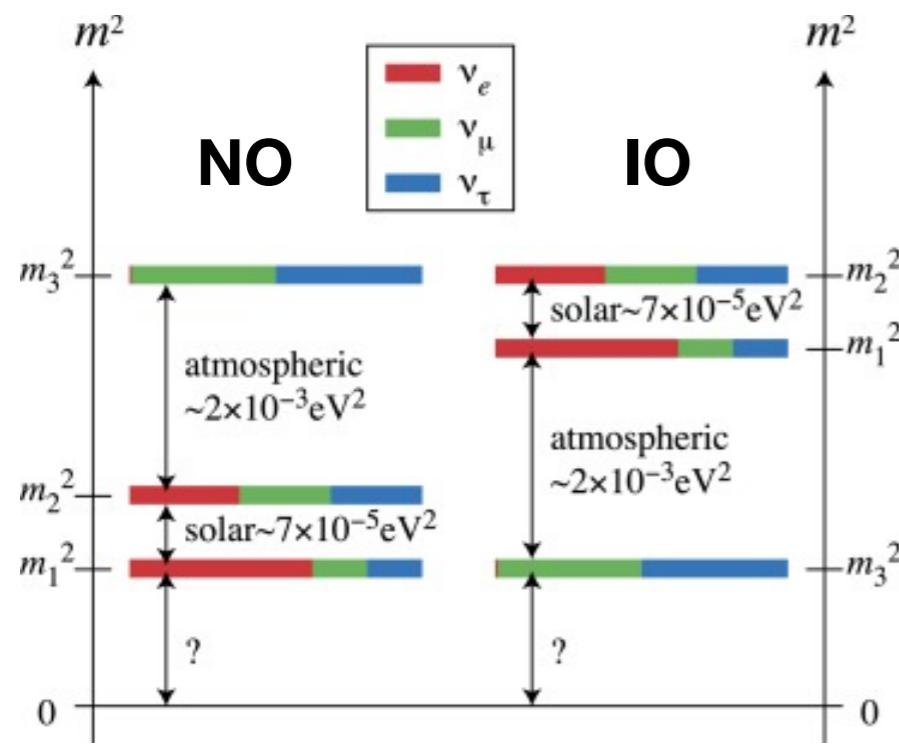
$$0.250 \leq s_{12}^2(0.297) \leq 0.354,$$

$$0.0190 \leq s_{13}^2(0.0215) \leq 0.0240,$$

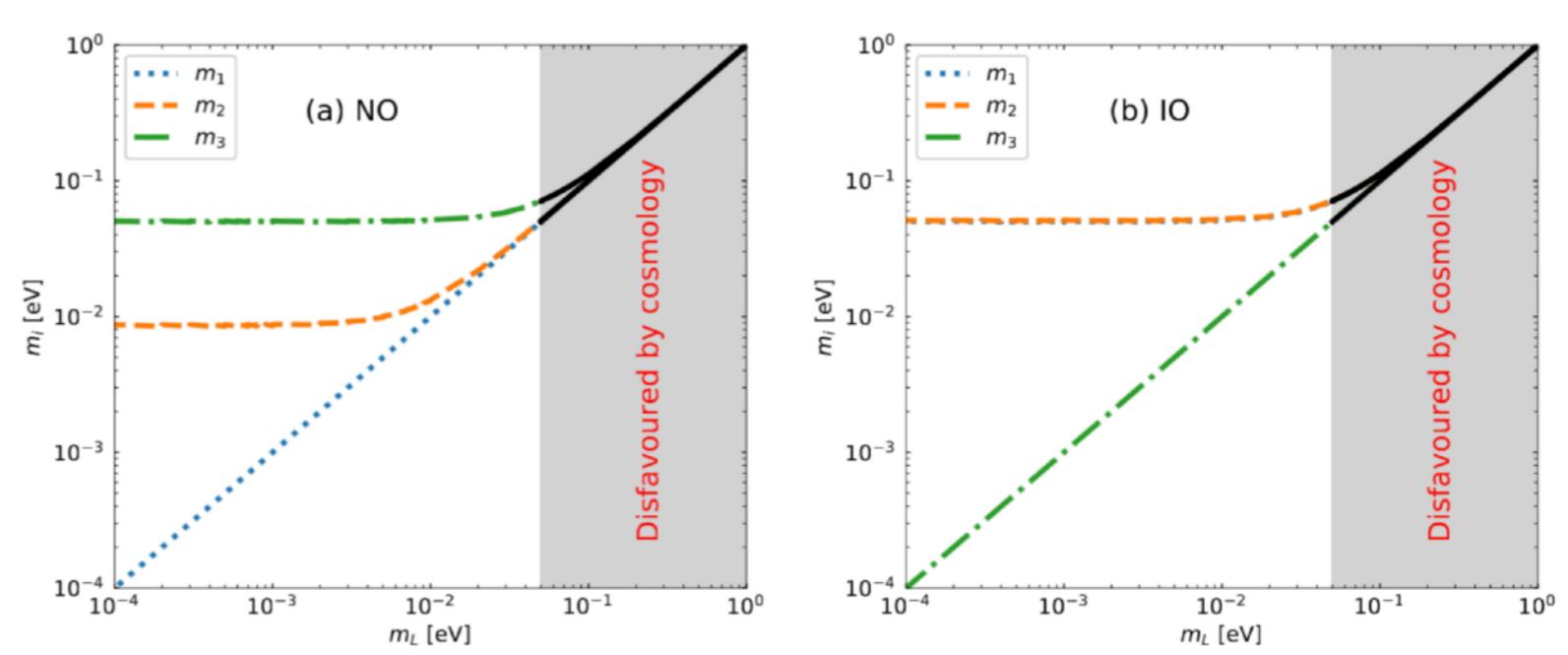
$$6.93 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2 \leq \Delta m_{21}^2(7.37 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2) \leq 7.96 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2,$$

$$2.45 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2 \leq \Delta m_{31}^2(2.56 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2) \leq 2.69 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2.$$

Two potential mass orderings of neutrinos: normal ordering or inverted ordering?



Stephen F.King,PLB(2016)

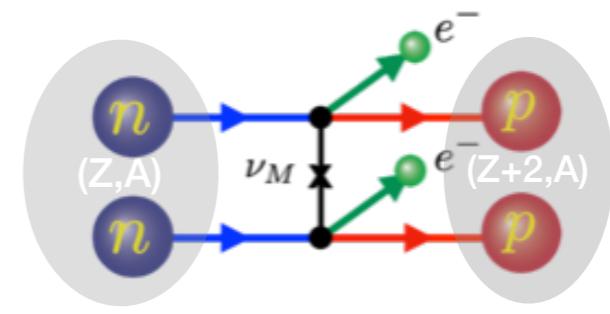


# Why $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay important for neutrino physics?

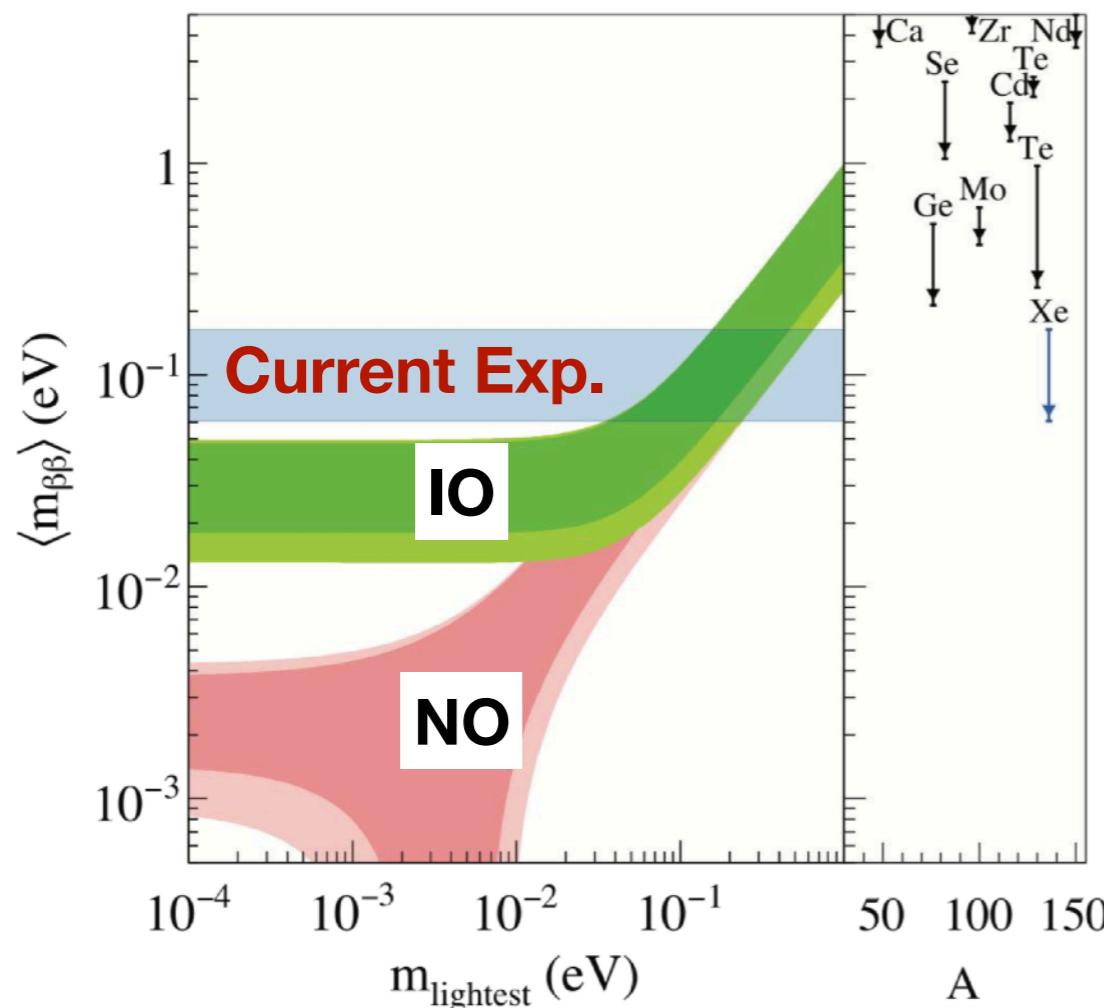
If the  $0\nu\beta\beta$  decay is observed, the neutrino mass (hierarchy) can be determined, **assuming** the “standard” mechanism of exchange light Majorana neutrino,

$$[T_{1/2}^{0\nu}]^{-1} = g_A^4 G_{0\nu} \left| \frac{\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle}{m_e} \right|^2 |M^{0\nu}|^2$$

$$\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^3 U_{ej}^2 m_j = m_1 c_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 + m_2 s_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 e^{i\alpha_{21}} + m_3 s_{13}^2 e^{i(\alpha_{31}-2\delta)}$$



“standard” mechanism



# Race to $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay

## A priority for US nuclear physics



### The 2015 LONG RANGE PLAN for NUCLEAR SCIENCE



#### RECOMMENDATION II:

*"The excess of matter over antimatter in the universe is one of the most compelling mysteries in all of science. The observation of neutrinoless double beta decay in nuclei would immediately demonstrate that neutrinos are their own antiparticles and would have profound implications for our understanding of the matter-antimatter mystery."*

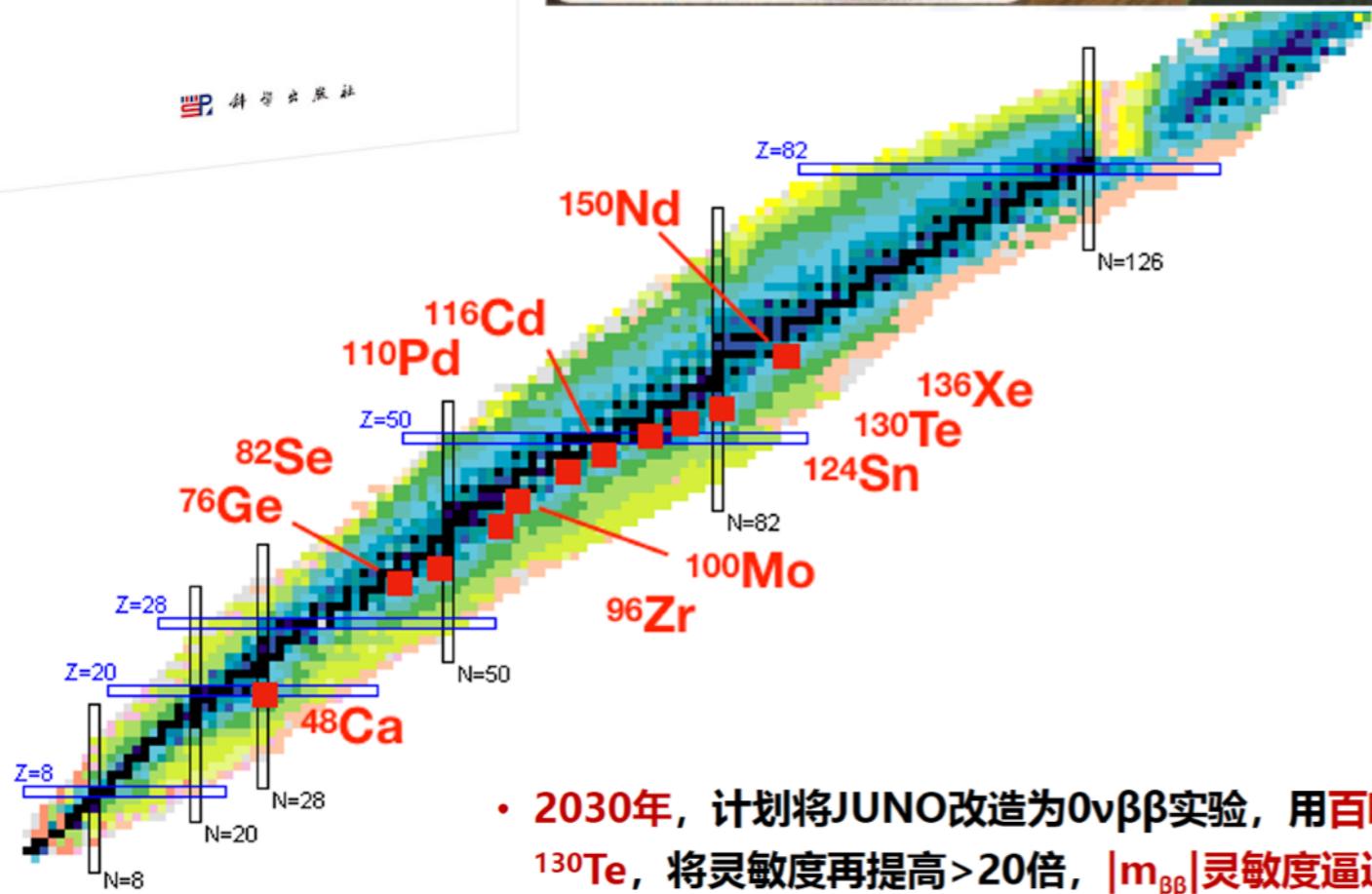
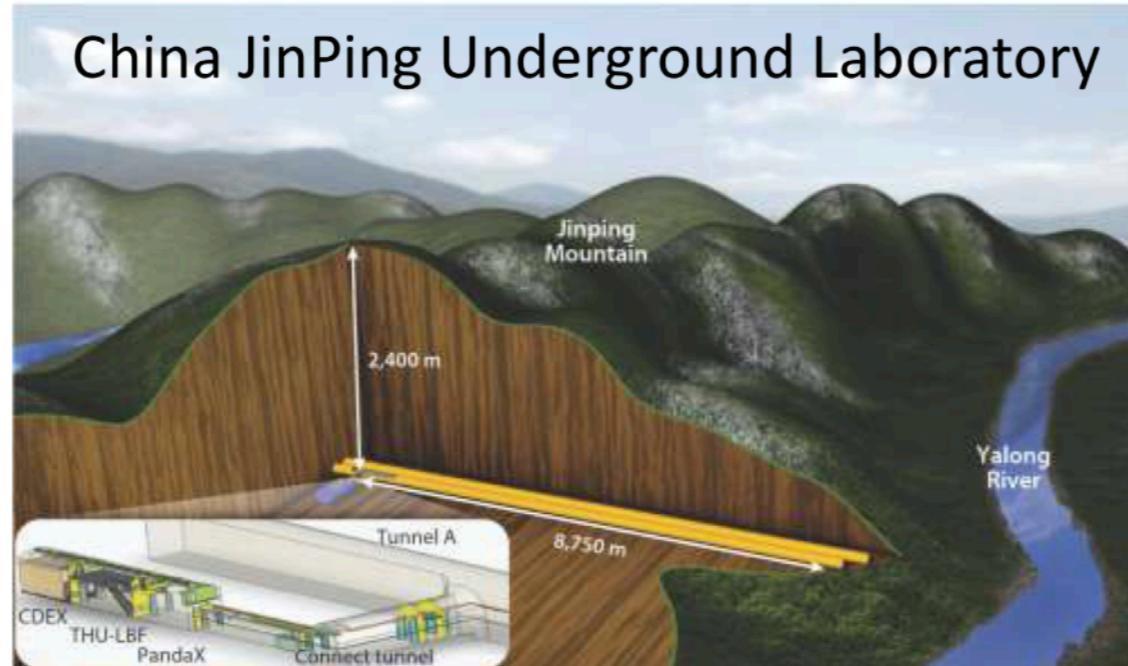
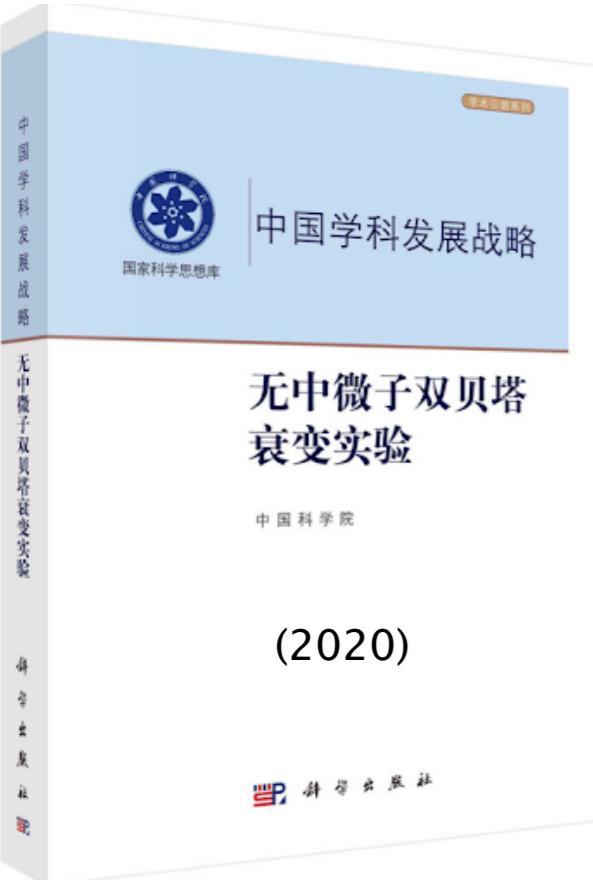
*"We recommend the timely development and deployment of a U.S.-led ton-scale neutrinoless double beta decay experiment."*

#### INITIATIVE B:

*"We recommend vigorous detector and accelerator R&D in support of the neutrinoless double beta decay program and the EIC."*

US DOE has scheduled a portfolio review of DBD in July 2021

# 国内正在/计划开展的相关实验

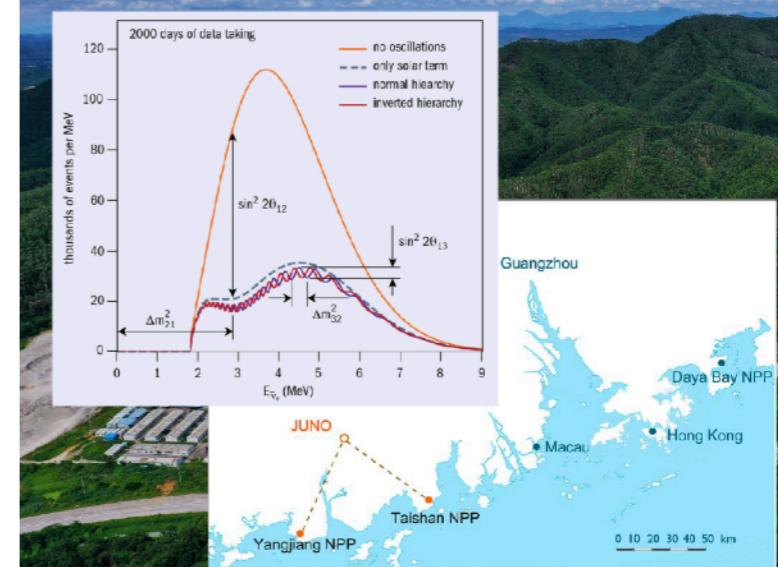


## 国内实验合作组

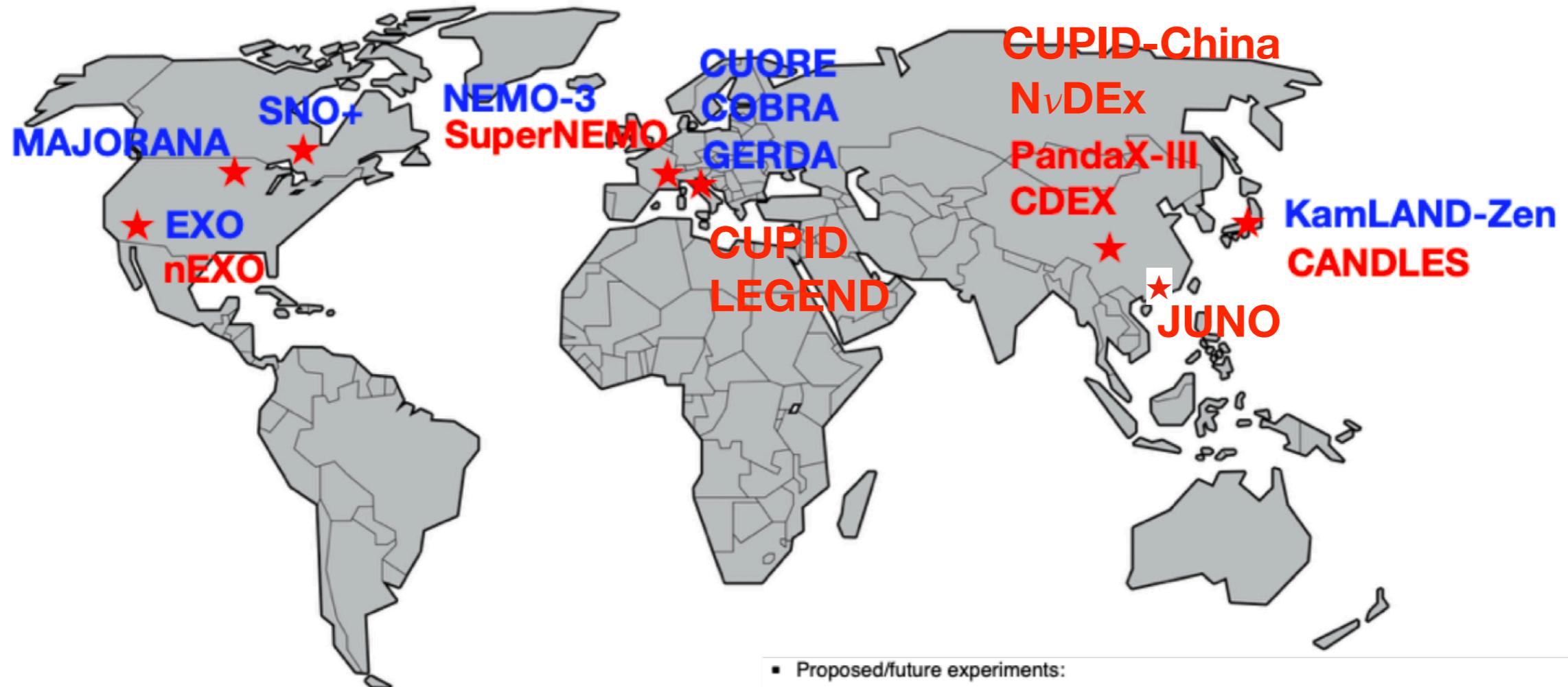
- $^{76}\text{Ge}$  (CDEX-300)
- $^{82}\text{Se}$  ( $\text{N}\nu\text{D}\text{Ex}$ )
- $^{100}\text{Mo}$  (CUPID-China)
- $^{136}\text{Xe}$  (PandaX-4T)
- $^{136}\text{Xe}$ 或 $^{130}\text{Te}$  (JUNO- $0\nu\beta\beta$ )

## 江门中微子实验

图片来自温良剑报告



# Current status of experimental searches



- Experiments taking data as of November 2017:

- COBRA,  $^{116}\text{Cd}$  in room temperature CdZnTe crystals
- CUORE,  $^{130}\text{Te}$  in ultracold  $\text{TeO}_2$  crystals
- EXO, a  $^{136}\text{Xe}$  and  $^{134}\text{Xe}$  search
- GERDA, a  $^{76}\text{Ge}$  detector
- KamLAND-Zen, a  $^{136}\text{Xe}$  search. Data collection from 2011.<sup>[21]</sup>
- MAJORANA, using high purity  $^{76}\text{Ge}$  p-type point-contact detectors.<sup>[22]</sup>

- Proposed/future experiments:

- CANDLES,  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  in  $\text{CaF}_2$ , at Kamioka Observatory
- MOON, developing  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  detectors
- AMoRE,  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  enriched  $\text{CaMoO}_4$  crystals at YangYang underground laboratory<sup>[23]</sup>
- nEXO, using liquid  $^{136}\text{Xe}$  in a time projection chamber<sup>[24]</sup>
- LEGEND, Neutrinoless Double-beta Decay of  $^{76}\text{Ge}$ .
- LUMINEU, exploring  $^{100}\text{Mo}$  enriched  $\text{ZnMoO}_4$  crystals at LSM, France.
- NEXT, a Xenon TPC. NEXT-DEMO ran and NEXT-100 will run in 2016.
- SNO+, a liquid scintillator, will study  $^{130}\text{Te}$
- SuperNEMO, a NEMO upgrade, will study  $^{82}\text{Se}$
- TIN.TIN, a  $^{124}\text{Sn}$  detector at INO
- PandaX-III, an experiment with 200 kg to 1000 kg of 90% enriched  $^{136}\text{Xe}$

source: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Double\\_beta\\_decay](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Double_beta_decay)



# Current status of experimental searches

Isotope	Experiment	Exposure (kg yr)	Average half-life sensitivity ( $10^{25}$ y)	Half-life limit ( $10^{25}$ y) 90% C.L.	Effective mass limit (meV) Range from NME*	Reference
$^{76}\text{Ge}$	GERDA	127.2	18	> 18	< 79–180	Agostini et al. PRL 125, 252502 (2020)
	MJD	26.0	4.8	> 2.7	< 200–433	Alvis et al. Phys Rev C 100, 025501 (2019)
$^{130}\text{Te}$	CUORE	288	2.8	> 2.2	< 90–305	Adams et al. arXiv:2104.06906 (2021)
$^{136}\text{Xe}$	EXO-200	234.1	5.0	> 3.5	< 93–286	Anton et al. PRL 123, 161802 (2019)
	KamLAND-ZEN	504	5.6	> 10.7	< 60–161	Gando et al., PRL 117, 082503 (2016)

$T^{1/2} > 10^{26} \text{ yr}$     $m_{\beta\beta} < 0.1 \text{ eV}$

Slide from M. Dolinski

# Next-generation tonne-scale experiments

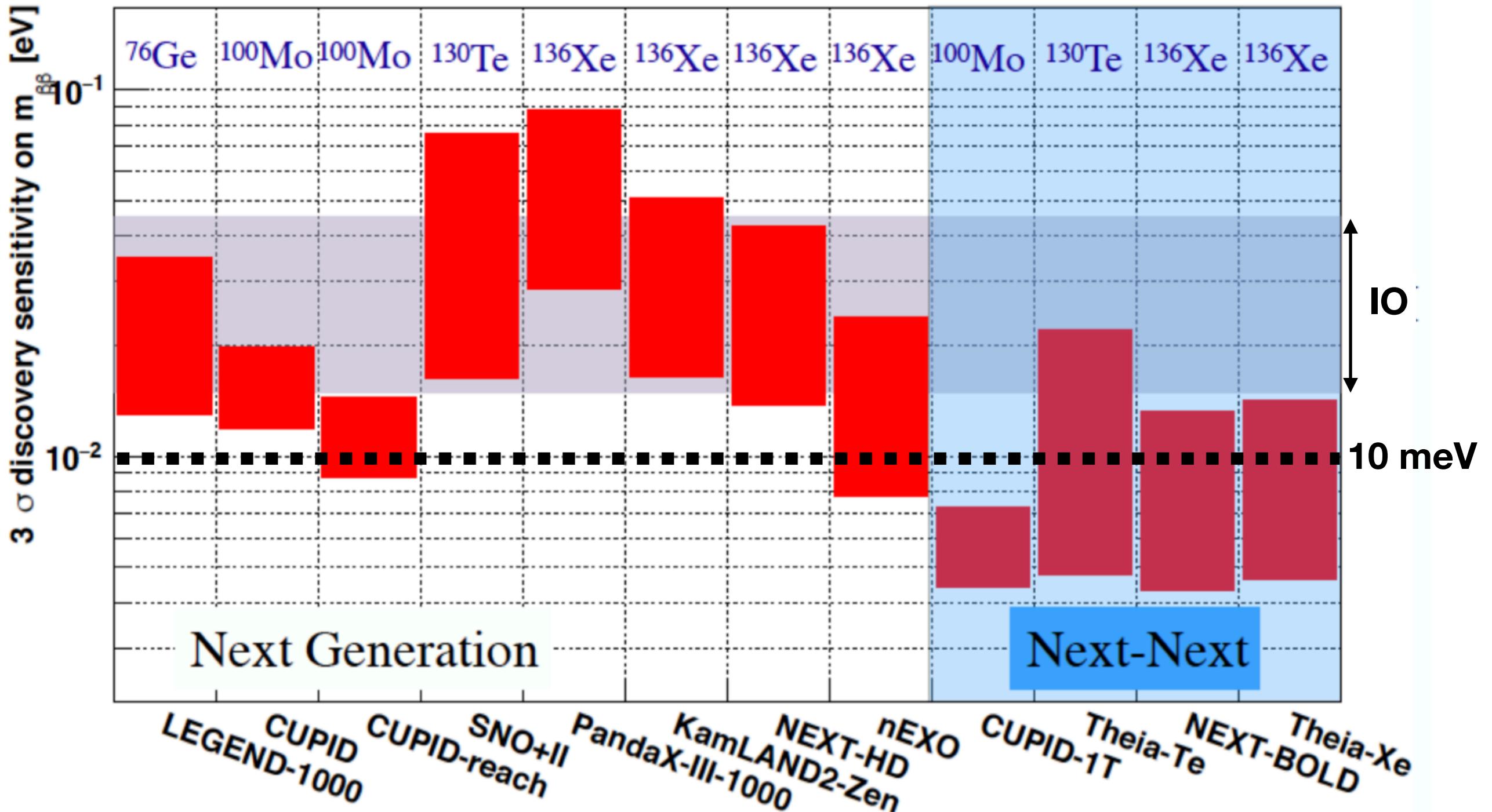


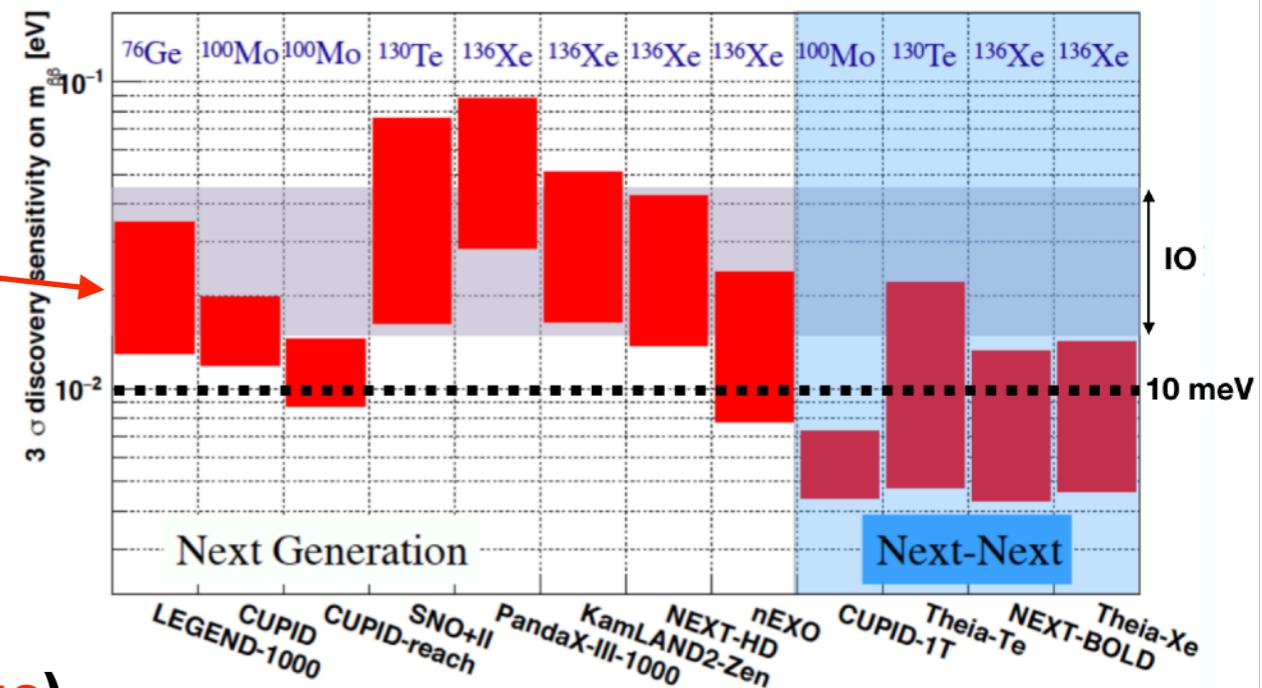
Figure from G. Benato, Y.G. Kolomensky  
 Methodology from Phys. Rev. D96, 053001 (2017)

# Why the NME of $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay?

$$[T_{1/2}^{0\nu}]^{-1} = g_A^4 G_{0\nu} \left| \frac{\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle}{m_e} \right|^2 |M^{0\nu}|^2$$

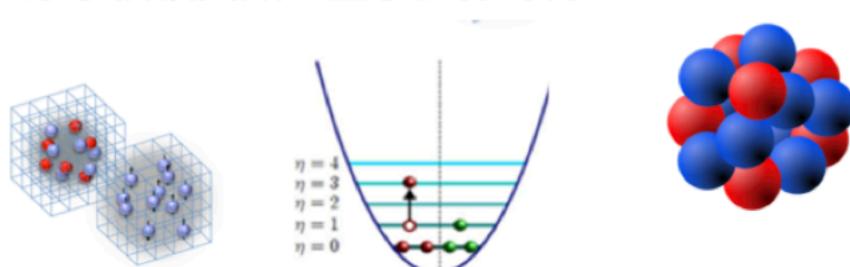
**Large uncertainty due to the discrepancy in the NMEs by diff. nuclear models.**

$$M^{0\nu} = \langle \Psi_F | \hat{O}^{0\nu} | \Psi_I \rangle$$

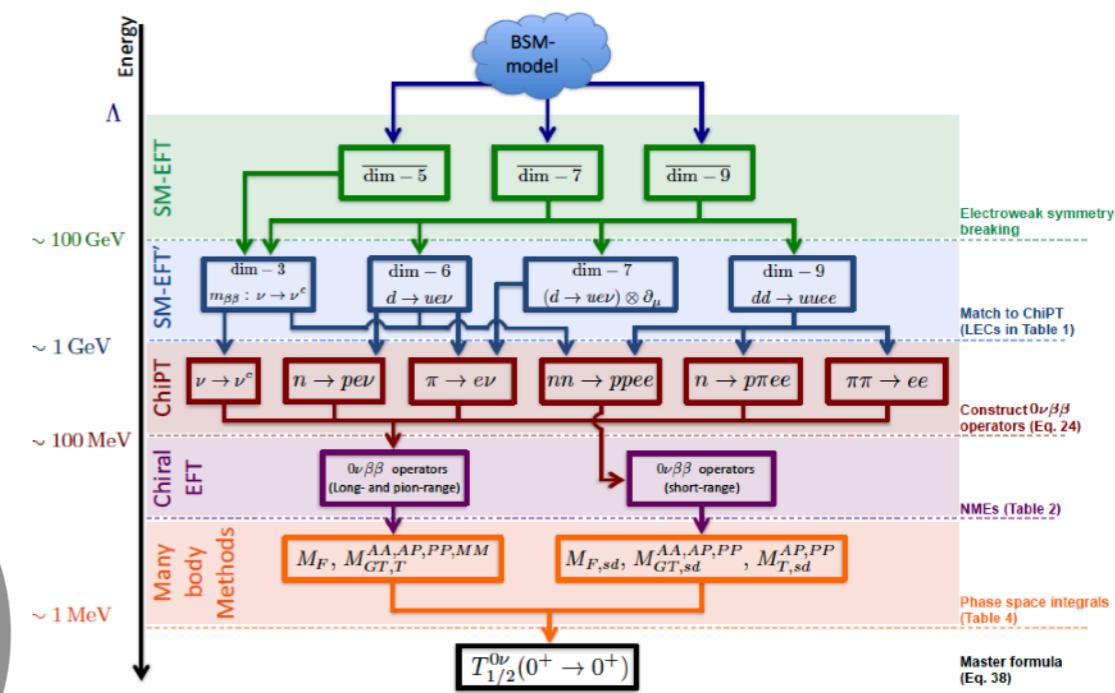


- Nuclear many-body calculations (challenge)**

原子核波函数：量子多体计算

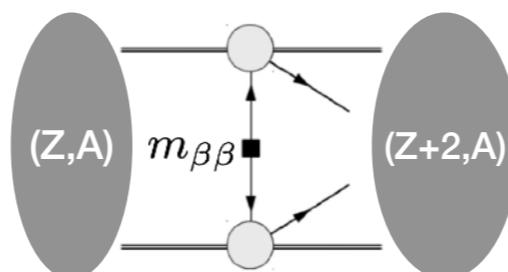


Effective Field Theories for  $0\nu\beta\beta$

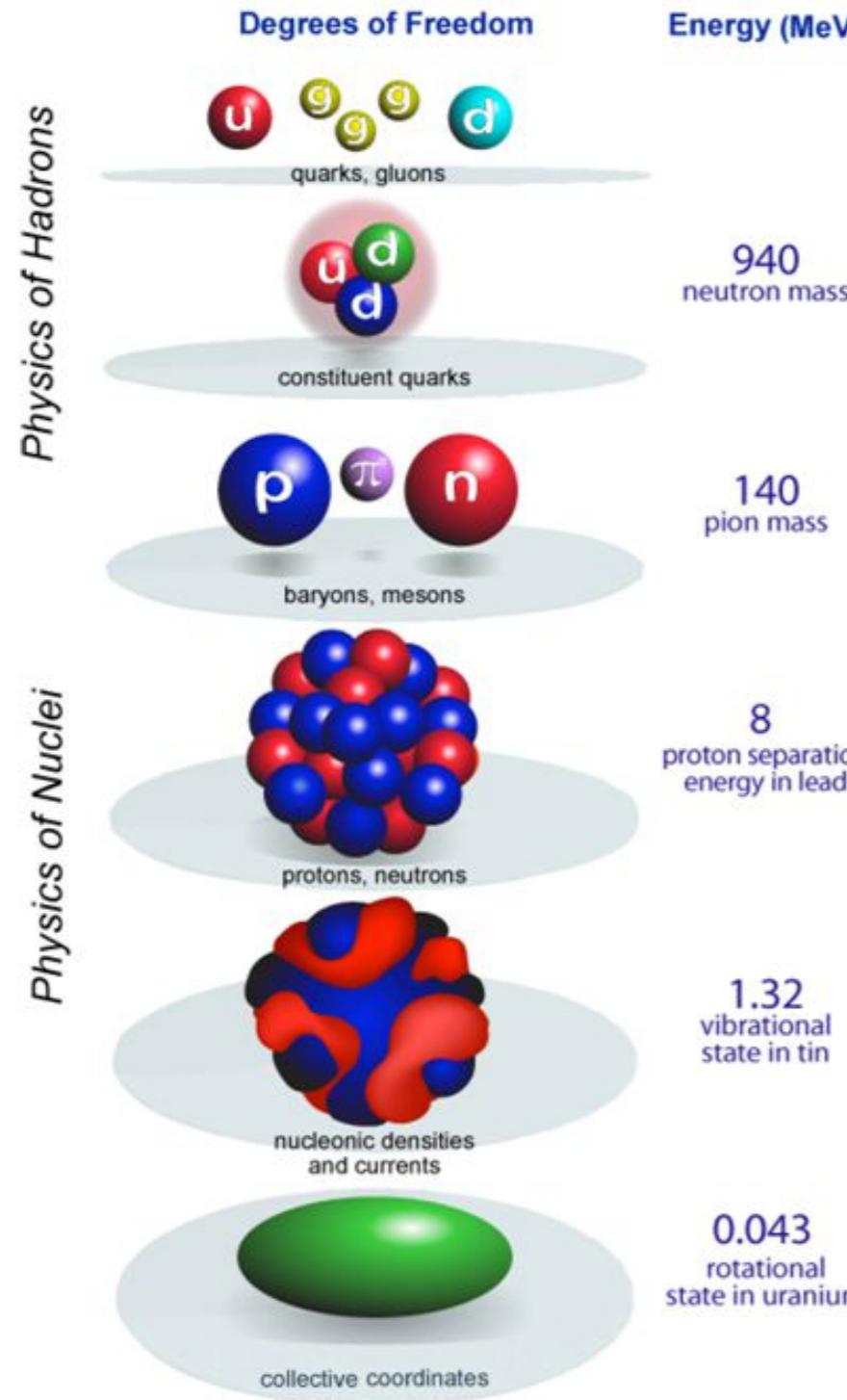


- Lepton-number-violating (LNV) mechanism**

“Low-energy” effective operators in the “standard” mechanism



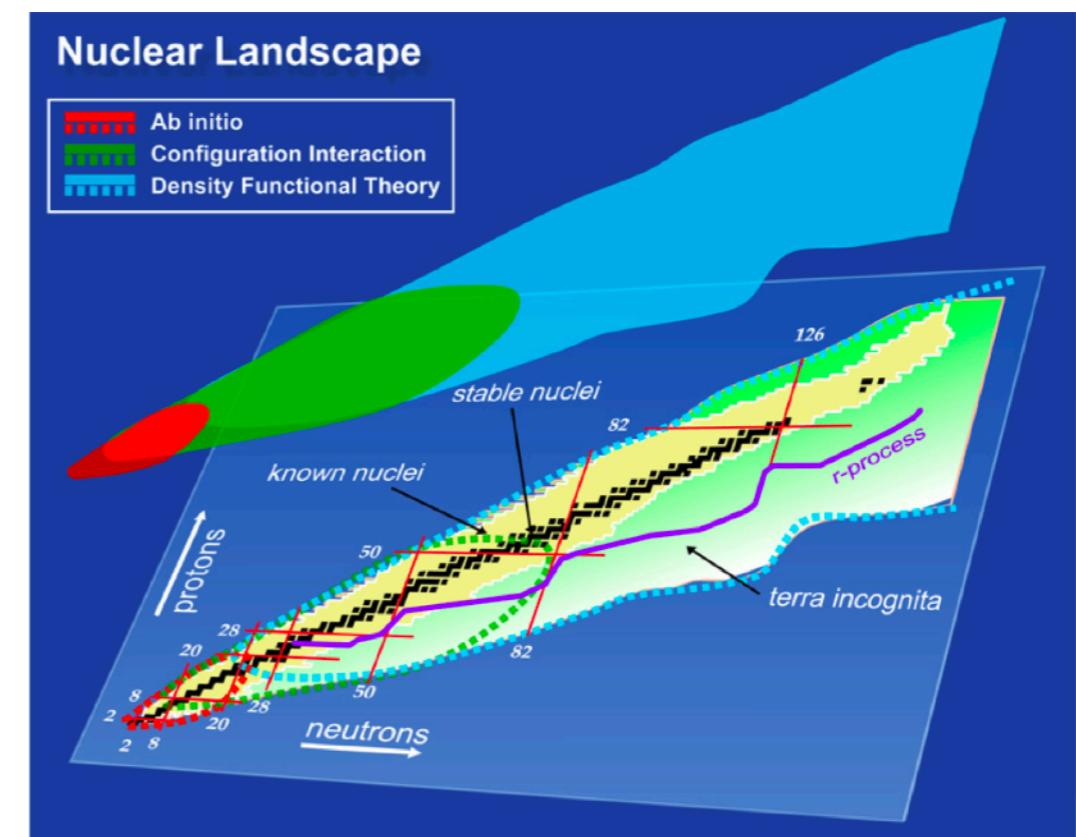
# How to modeling atomic nuclei?



**multi-faceted nuclei**

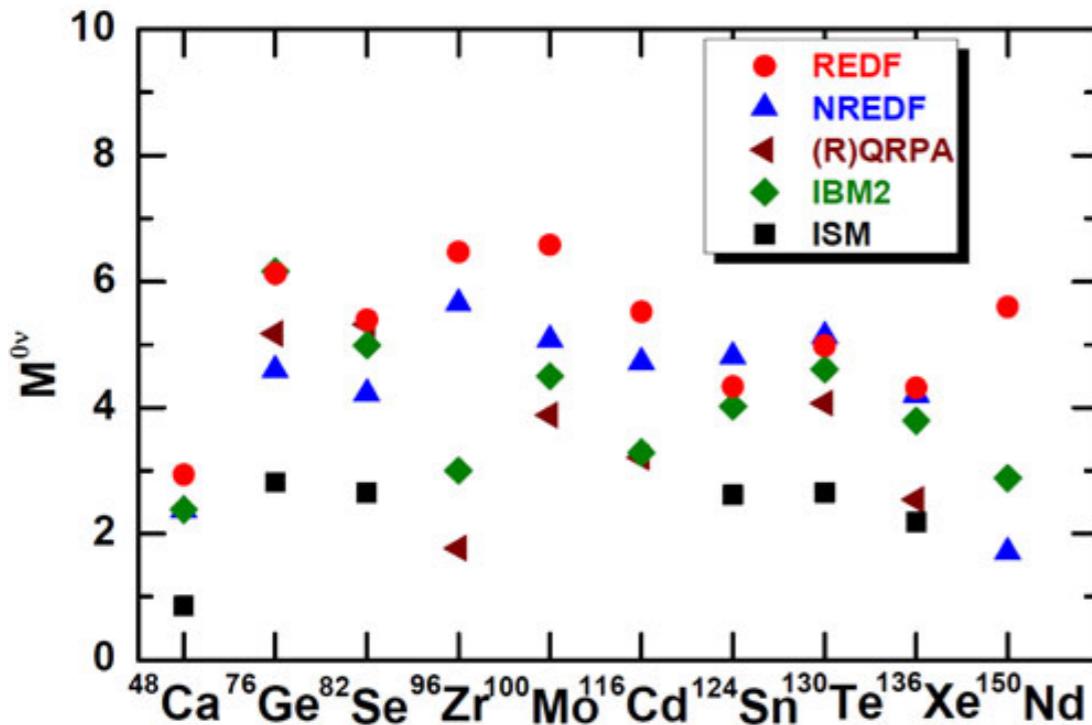
- **Nuclear many-body calculations (challenge)**

- ✓ Ab initio methods
- ✓ Configuration-interaction shell-models
- ✓ Nuclear energy density functionals
- ✓ Collective models
- ✓ ...



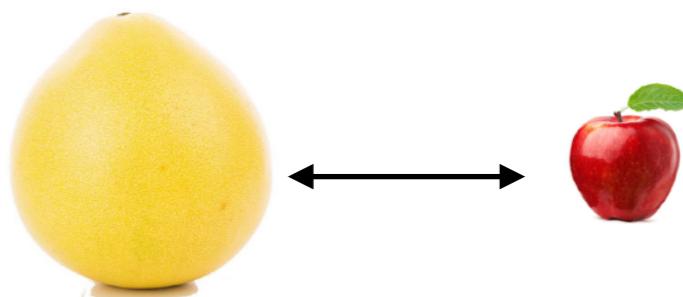
The Frontiers of Nuclear Science: A Long-Range Plan, 2007.

# Nuclear Matrix Elements of $0\nu\beta\beta$ in phenomenological models



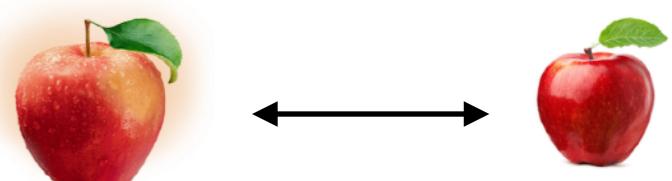
## Current situation:

- ▶ Differ by a factor up to 3
- ▶ **Difficult** to trace the origin of the discrepancies
  - Different effective interactions
  - Different many-body truncations (approximation)



## Ongoing efforts :

- ▶ Understand/Reduce the discrepancy among various phenomenological models
  - Same interactions, different many-body methods
  - Same many-body methods, different interactions

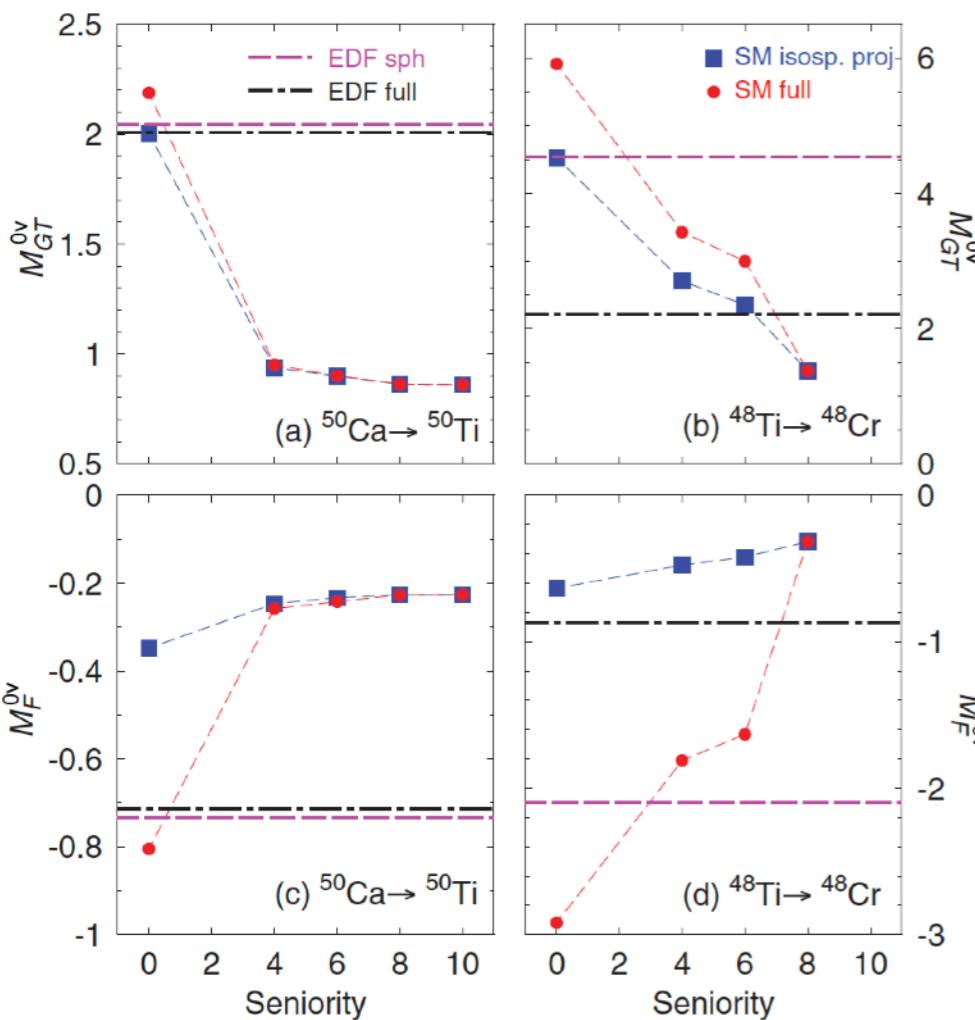


# Understanding the existing discrepancy

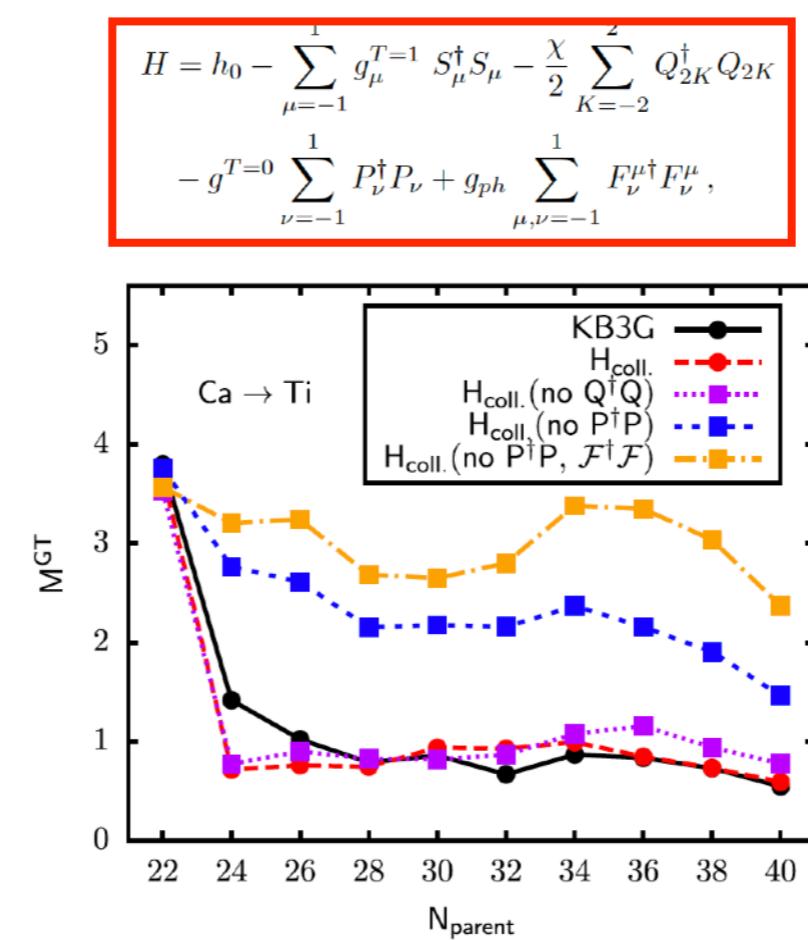
## ► Identify relevant degrees of freedom for $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay

- higher seniority components
- Iso-scalar pairing
- Shape mismatching

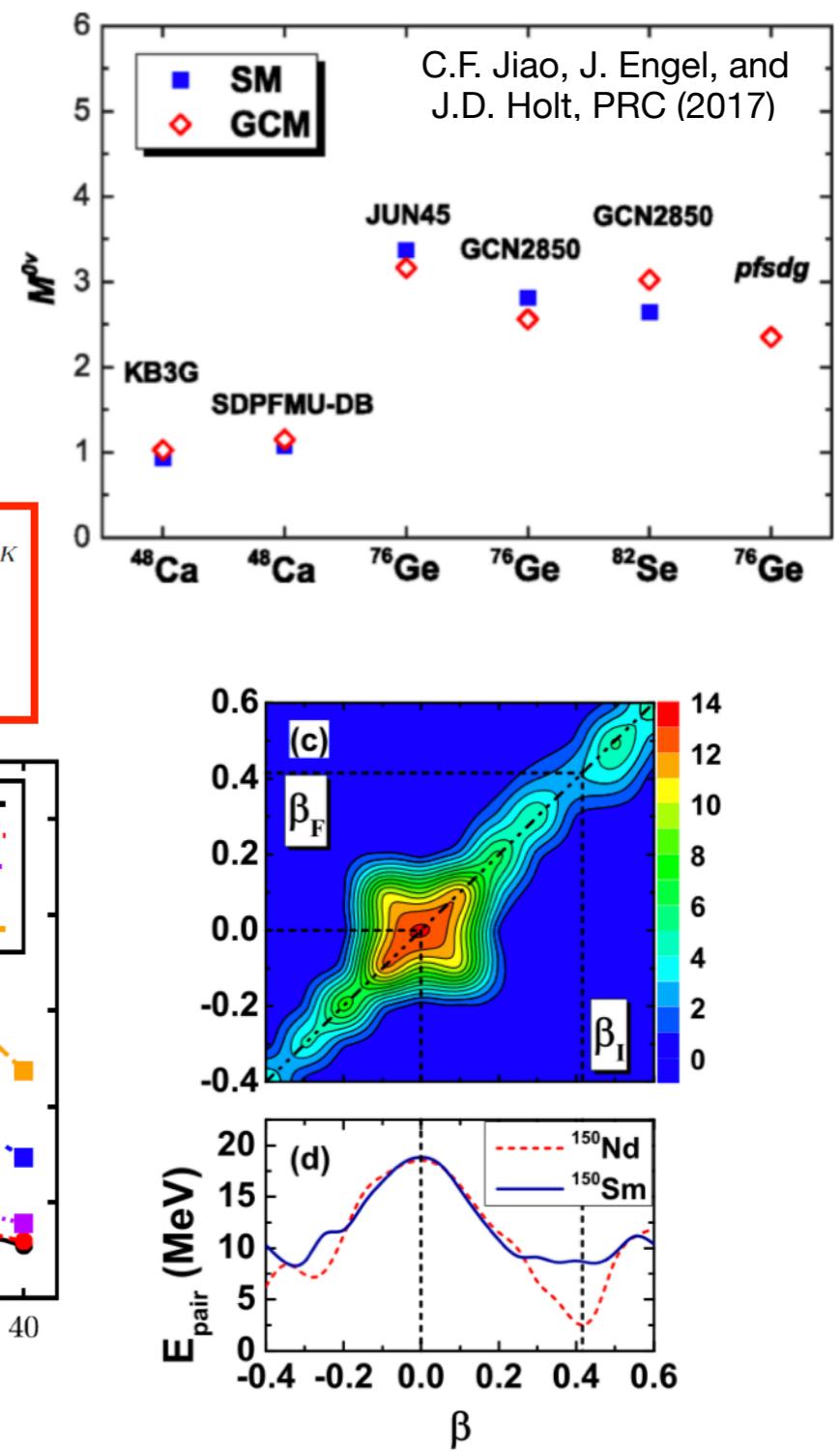
-> quenches NME



J. Menéndez et al., PRC (2014)



J. Menéndez et al., PRC (2016)



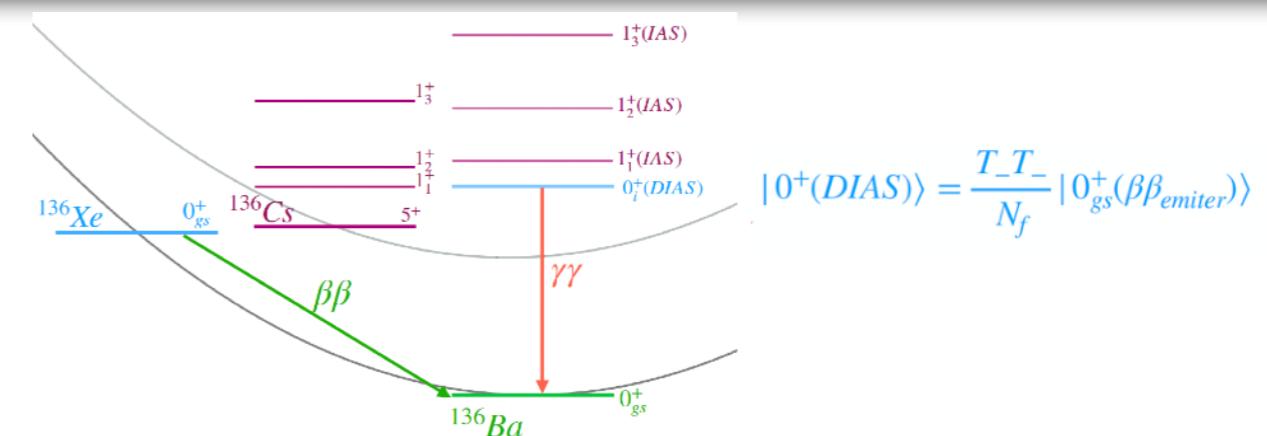
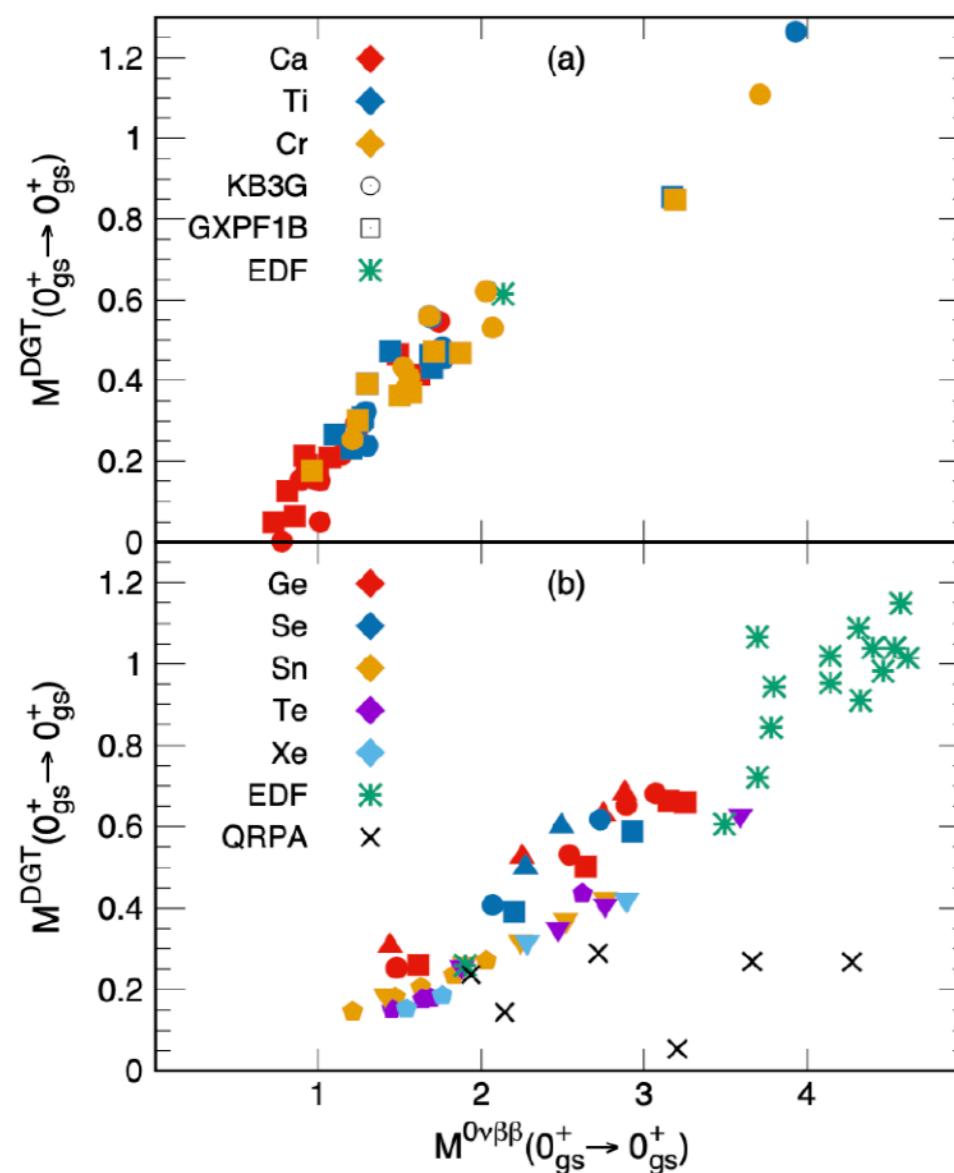
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# Recent progresses in phenom. studies

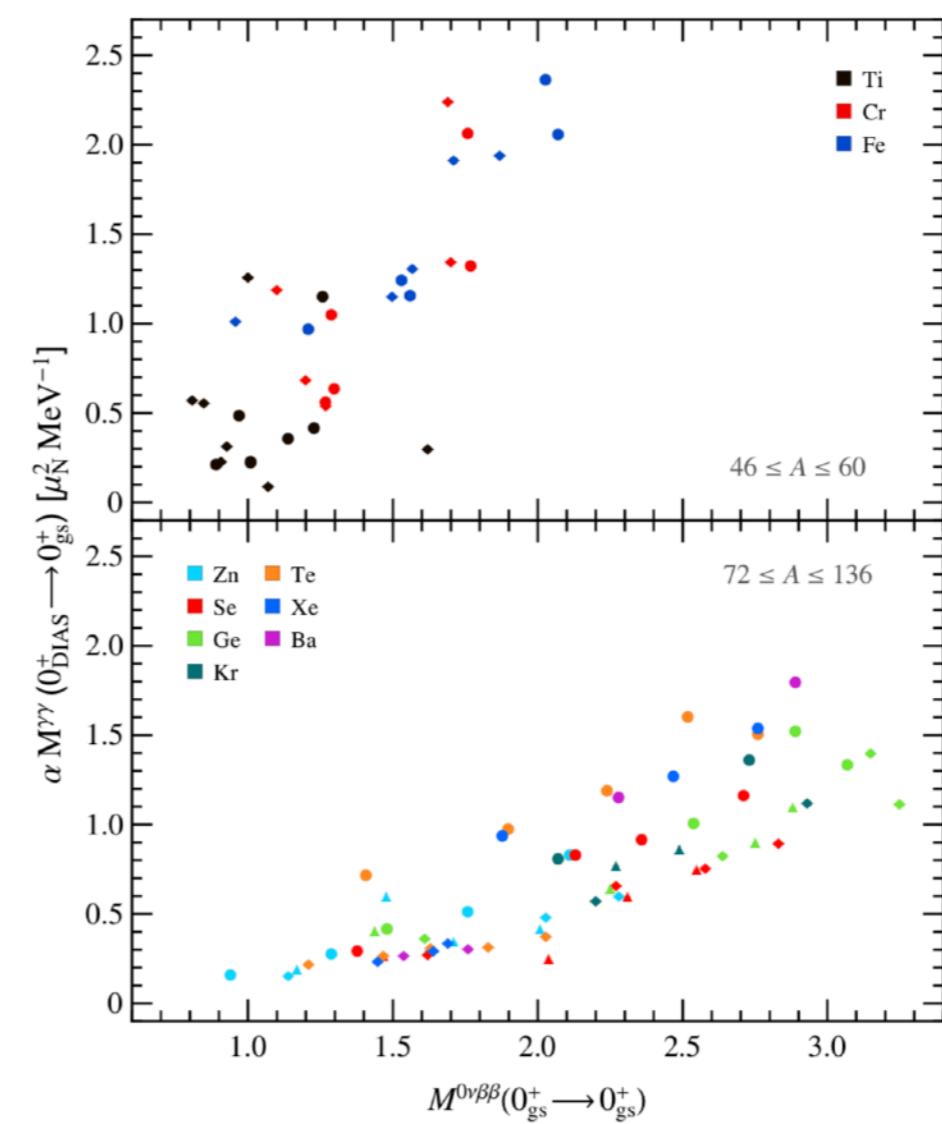
## ► Correlation between diff. quantities

**DGT:**  $|\langle 0_{gs,f}^+ | \sum_{j,k} [\sigma_j \tau_j^- \times \sigma_k \tau_k^-]^0 | 0_{gs,i}^+ \rangle|$

N. Shimizu, J. Menéndez and K. Yako, PRL(2018)



B. Romeo, J. Menéndez, C. Peña (2021)

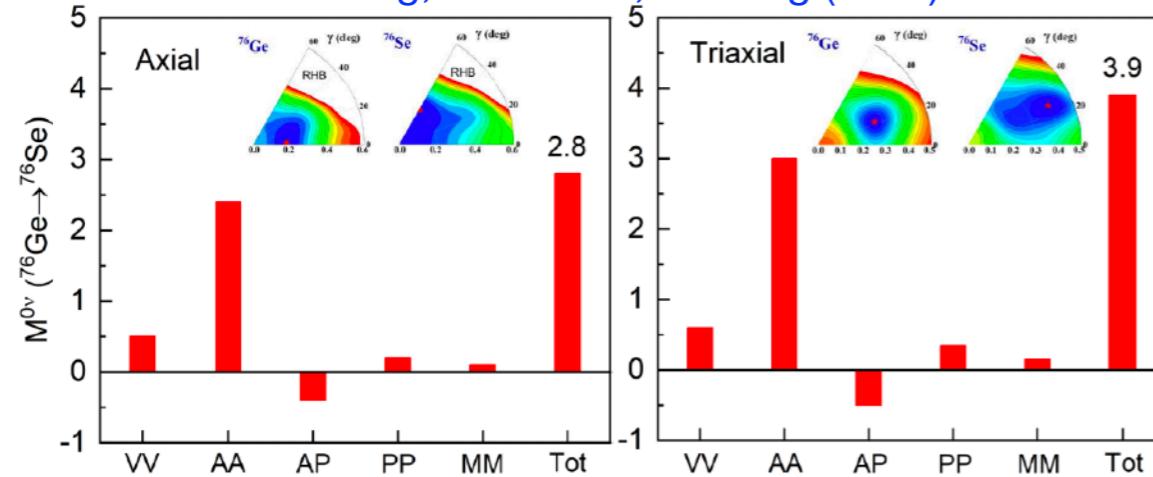


# Recent progresses in phenom. studies

## ► Impact of higher-order deformation (triaxial)

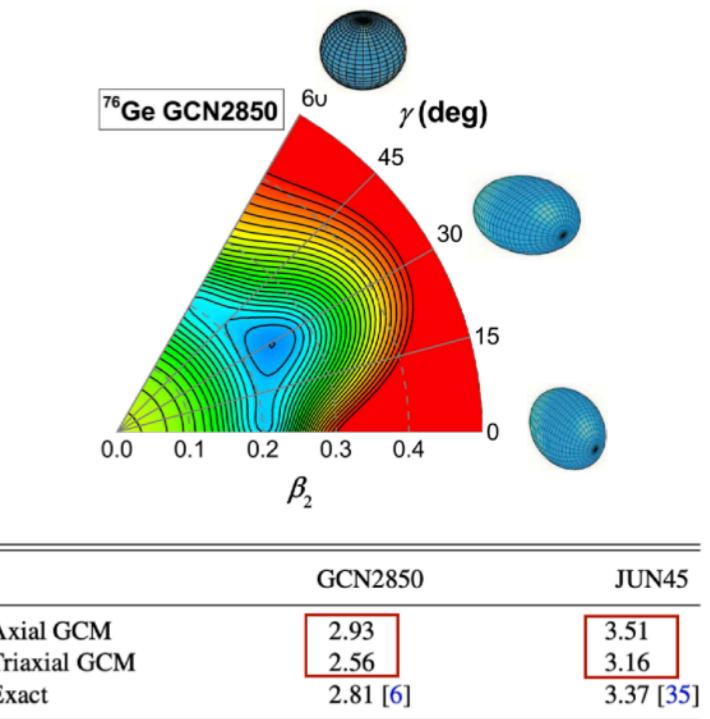
### 核矩阵元：三轴形变效应

Y.K. Wang, P.W. Zhao, J. Meng (2021)



- ✓ 轴矢耦合道贡献的核矩阵元值约占总核矩阵元值的 85%，赝标和弱磁耦合项的贡献约为10%
- ✓ 考虑三轴形变自由度，核矩阵元值从 2.8 增加到 3.9，增幅约 39%

### Triaxial deformation



~10% reduced if triaxial-shape fluctuation is included.

CFJ, J. Engel, and J.D. Holt, PRC 96, 054310 (2017)

### Comparing apples to oranges?

## ► Ongoing efforts...

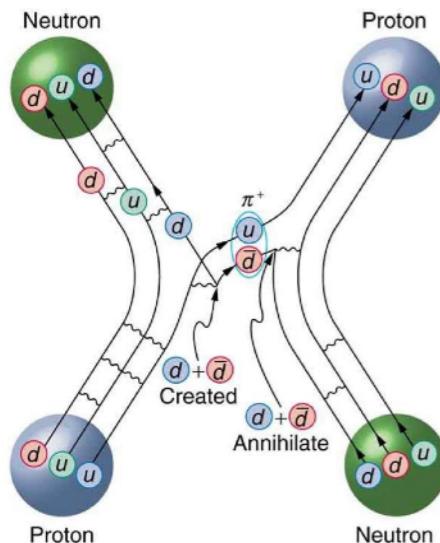
- Variation after projection (VAP) (Z.C. Gao, etc)
- QRPA (D.L. Fang, C.L. Bai, Y.F. Niu, etc)
- Nucleon-pairing-approximation (NPA) (B.C. He, S.Y. Zhang, Y. A. Luo, etc)
- ...

# Nuclear Matrix Elements of $0\nu\beta\beta$ at the Crossroads

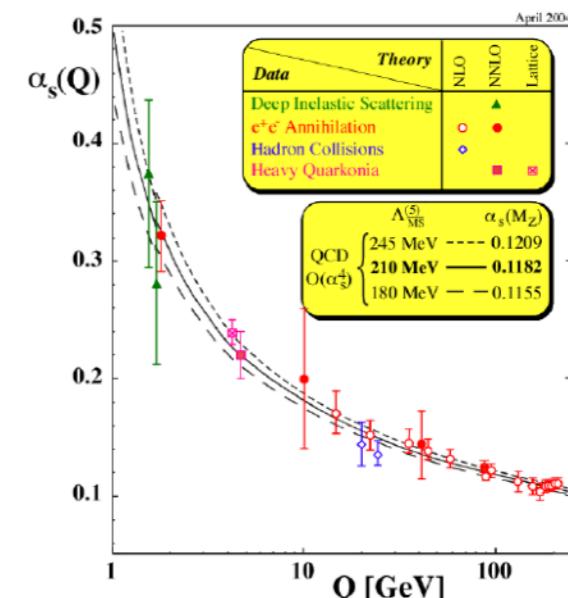


# Modeling atomic nuclei from first principles?

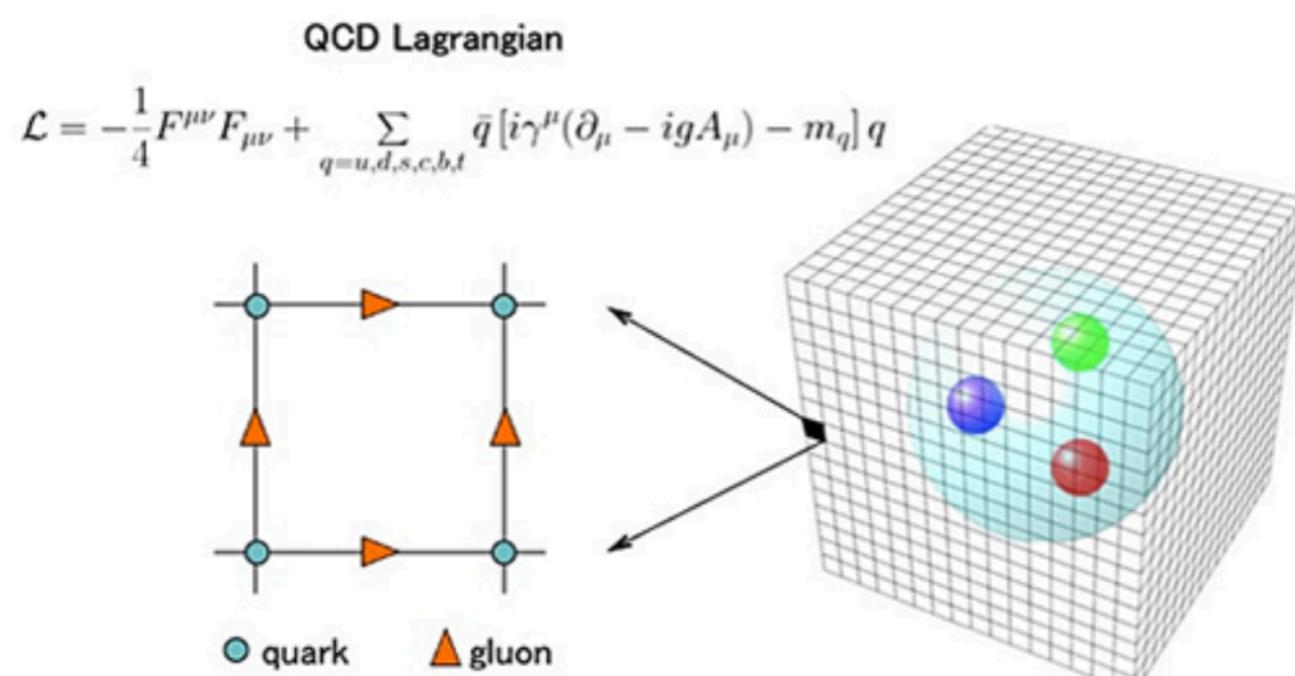
- Construction of nuclear force directly from QCD (**difficult**)



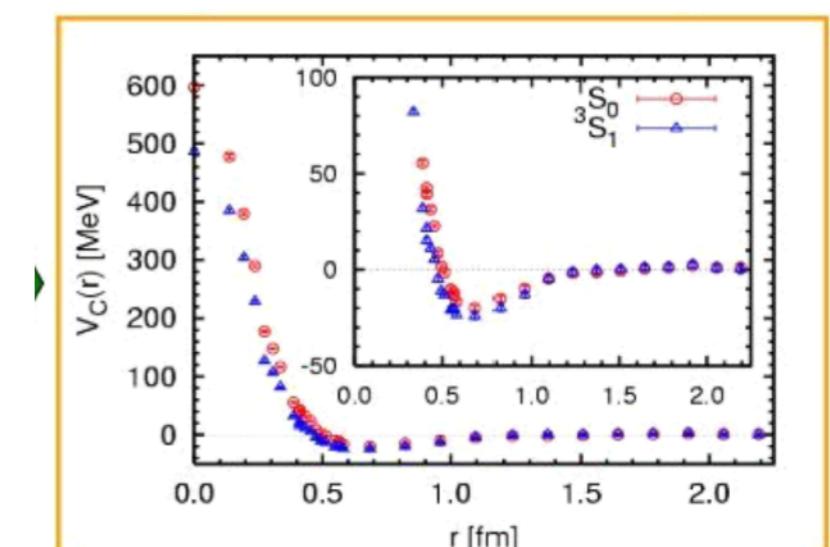
**Quark and gluons:**  
 Non-perturbative nature of  
 strong interaction in the  
 low-energy regime relevant  
 to nuclear physics



- Nuclear force from Lattice QCD (**infancy**)



Computation challenge at physical pion mass



**HAL QCD collaboration**

Ishii-Aoki-Hatsuda,  
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# Ab initio modeling of nuclear $0\nu\beta\beta$ decays

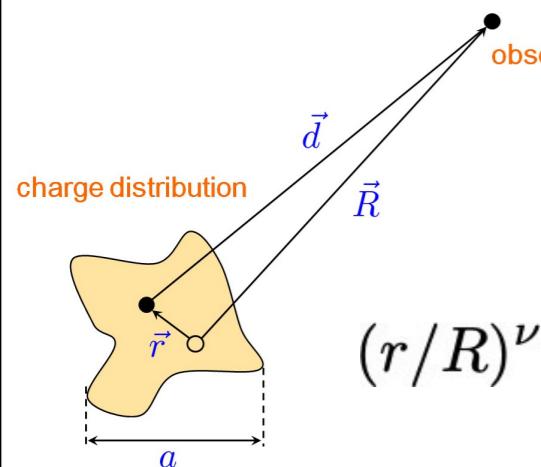
Our goal is to provide **ab initio calculations of the NMEs (personally)**:

- in nuclear many-body methods with **controllable approximations**
- using **nuclear interactions and weak transition operators derived consistently from an (chiral) EFT**
- with the feature of **order-by-order convergence**.

Clarifications (Three Not Necessaries):

- **Nuclear many-body methods** not necessary to be full configuration-interaction
- **Nuclear force** not necessary to be derived directly from QCD in terms of (q,g)
- **LNV transition operator** not necessary to be derived directly from a fundamental theory (if any)

How to determine the potential  $V(R)$  if the charge distribution is unknown?



$$\int d^3r \frac{\rho(\vec{r})}{|\vec{R} - \vec{r}|} = \frac{q}{R} + \frac{1}{R^3} \sum_i R_i P_i + \frac{1}{6R^5} \sum_{ij} (3R_i R_j - \delta_{ij} R^2) Q_{ij} + \dots$$

LO                    NLO                    N<sup>2</sup>LO

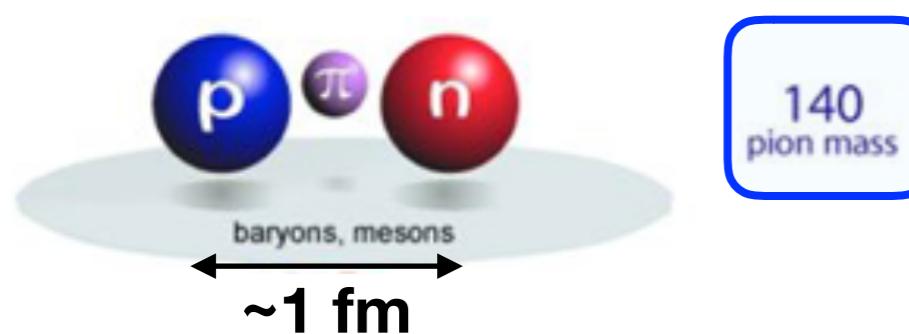
The result is systematically improvable

$$q = \int d^3r \rho(\vec{r}), \quad P_i = \int d^3r \rho(\vec{r}) r_i, \quad Q_{ij} = \int d^3r \rho(\vec{r}) (3r_i r_j - \delta_{ij} r^2)$$

# Nuclear force from chiral EFT

- Nuclear force from the chiral EFT

d.o.f.: nucleons and pions



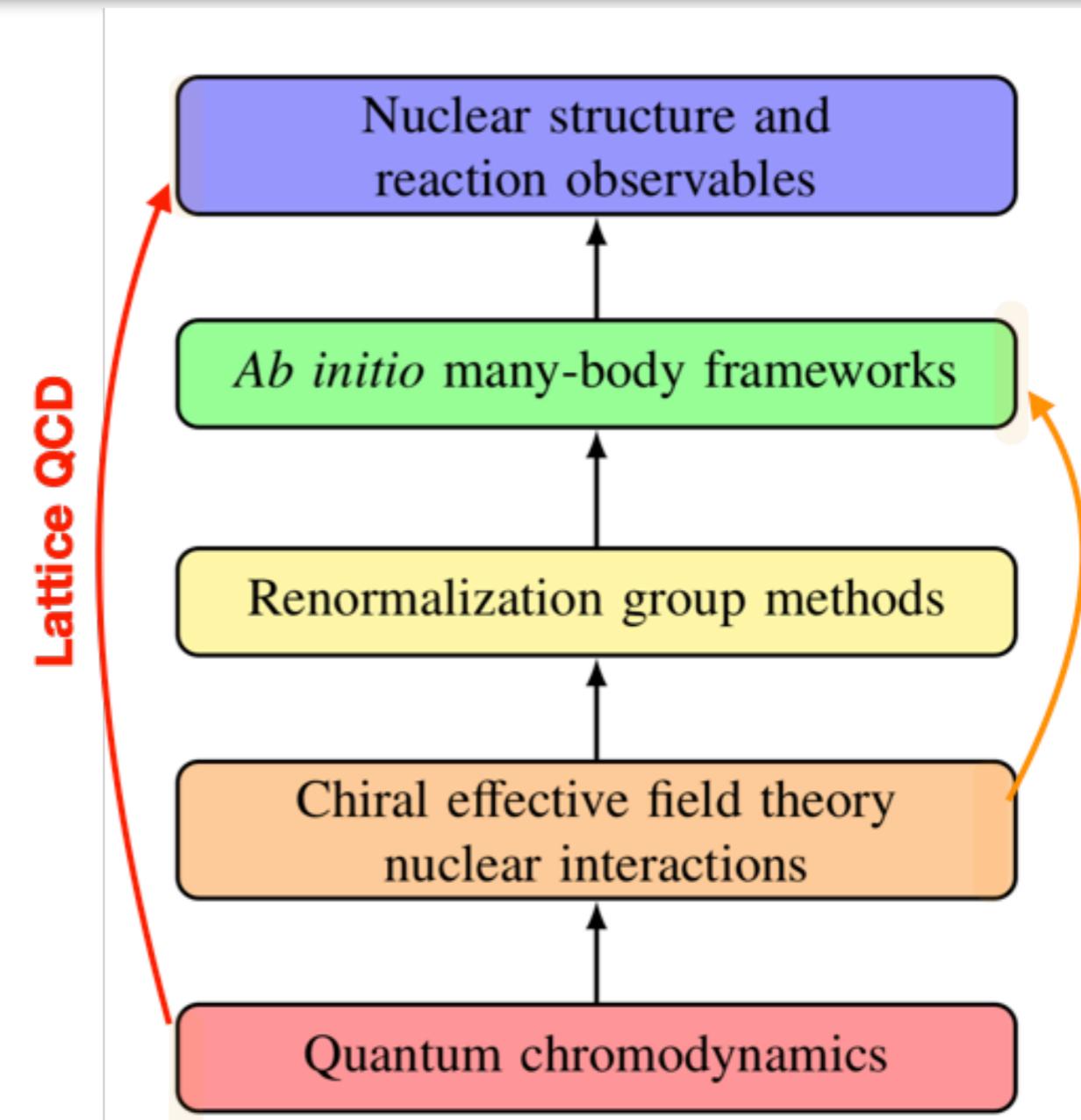
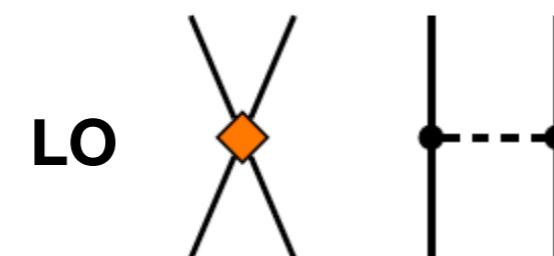
Weinberg's power counting:

$$(Q/\Lambda_\chi)^\nu$$

chiral-symmetry-breaking  
hard scale ( $\sim 700$  MeV)

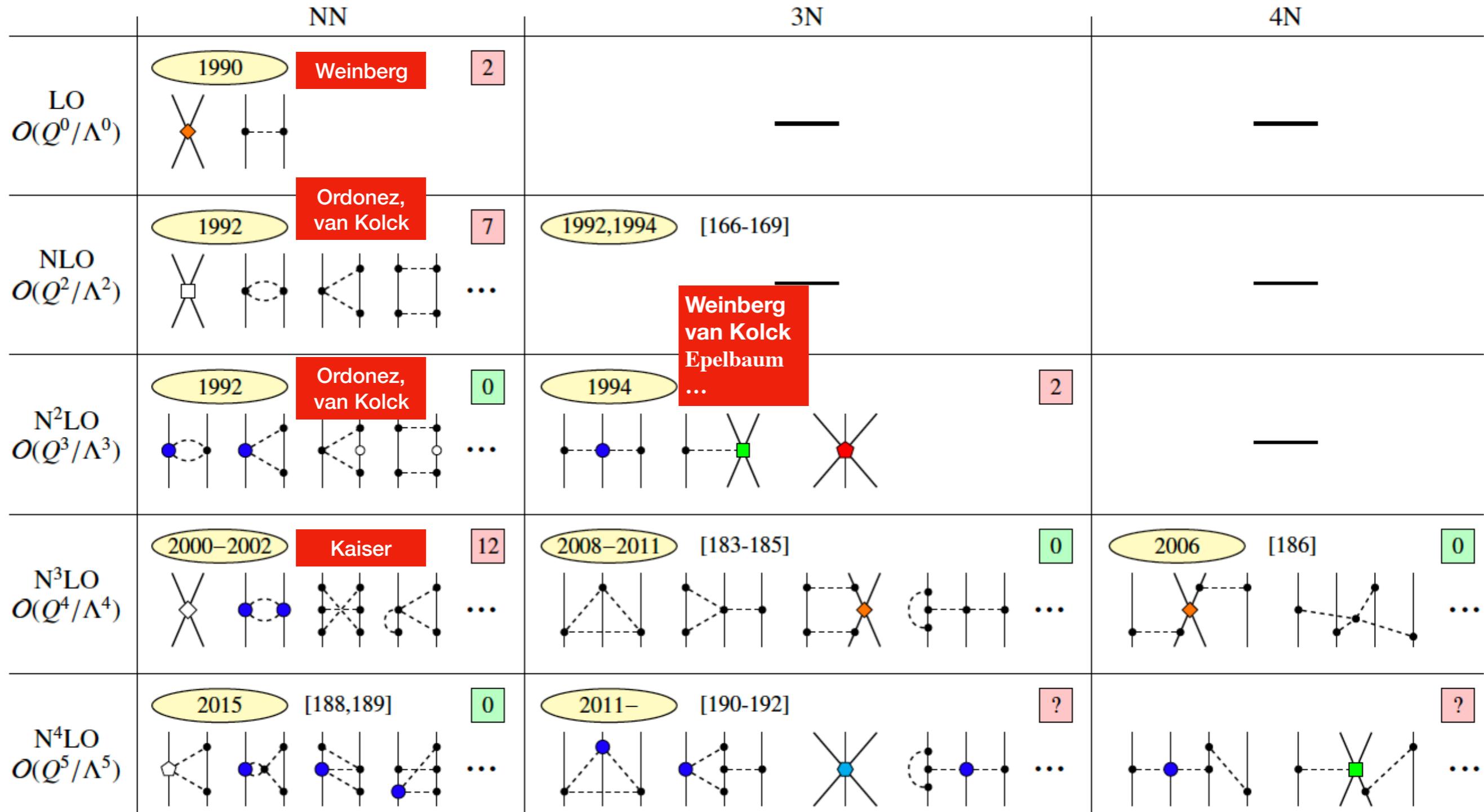
soft scale associated with external  
momenta, pion mass ( $\sim 140$  MeV)

S. Weinberg, PLB251, 288 (1990)  
S. Weinberg, NPB 363, 3 (1991)



K. Hebeler, Phys. Rep. 890, 1 (2020)

# Nuclear force from chiral EFT



# ab initio many-body frameworks

- **Quantum Monte Carlo methods**

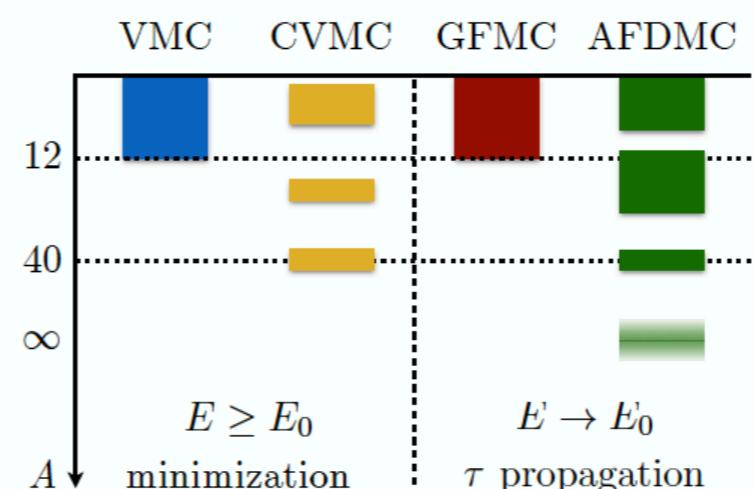
Pieper, S.C.; Wiringa, R.B. (2001)

J. Carlson et al., RMP 87, 1067 (2015)

Variational Monte Carlo (VMC)

Green's function Monte Carlo (GFMC)

Auxiliary-field diffusion Monte Carlo (AFDMC)



credit: D. Lonardoni

(C)VMC

GFMC

AFDMC

CVMC

AFDMC

AFDMC

light systems

$A \leq 12$

light to medium-mass nuclei

$A \sim 50$

infinite matter

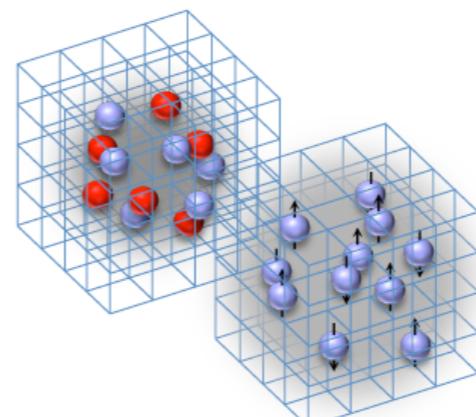
$A \rightarrow \infty$

- **Lattice effective field theory (LEFT)**

D. Lee, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 63, 117 (2009)

- **No-core shell model (NCSM)**

Barrett, Navrátil, Vary, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 69, 131 (2013)



- **Self-consistent Green's function (SCGF)**

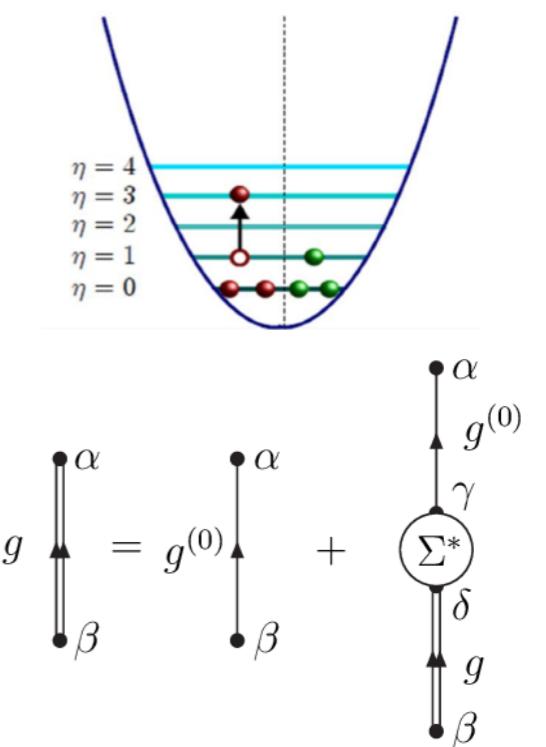
V. Somà, Frontiers in Physics 8, 340 (2020)

- **Coupled cluster (CC)**

G. Hagen, T. Papenbrock, M. Hjorth-Jensen, and D. J. Dean, Rep. Prog. Phys. 77, 096302 (2014)

- **In-medium similarity renormalization group (IM-SRG)**

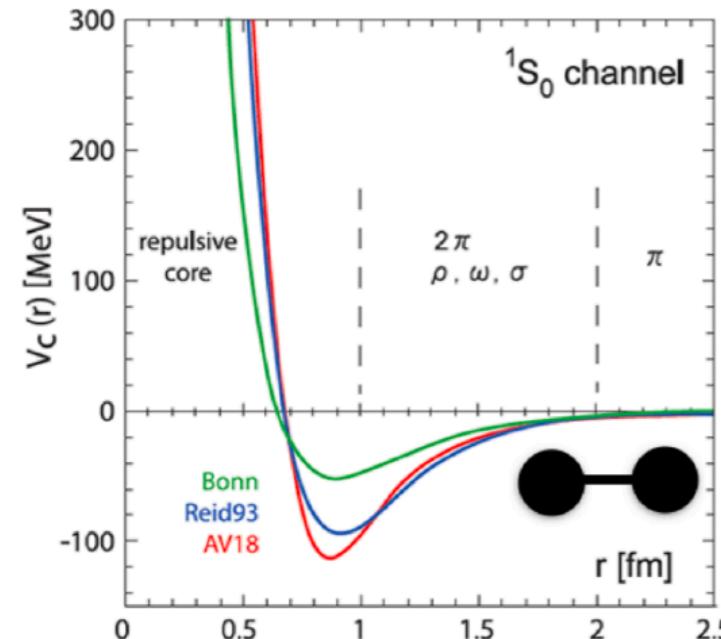
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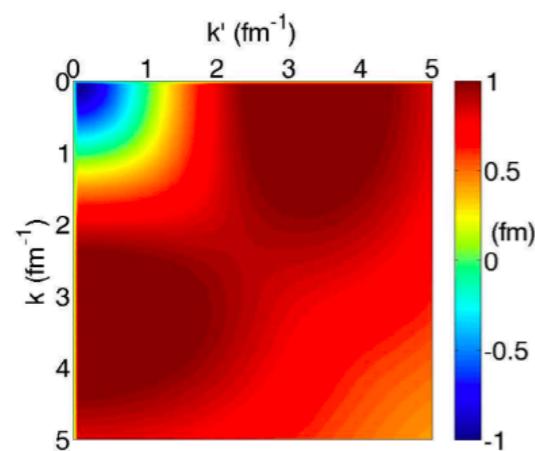
● MBPT, (R)BHF,...

孟杰、许甫荣、胡金牛、申时行等

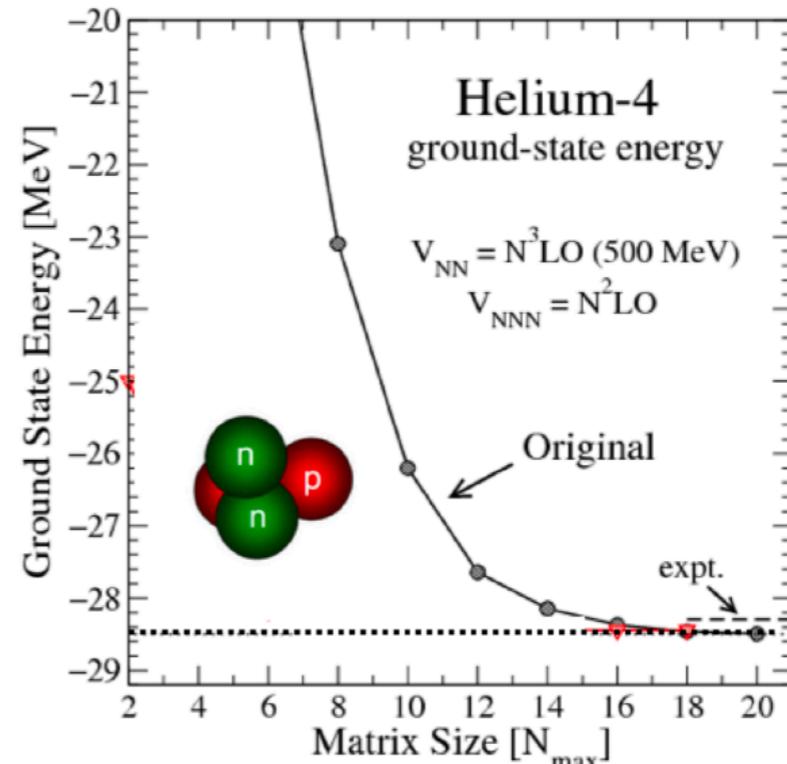
# Realistic nuclear force: challenge



$$V_{\ell=0}(k, k') = \int d^3r j_0(kr) V(r) j_0(k'r)$$



S. Bogner et al., PPNP (2010)

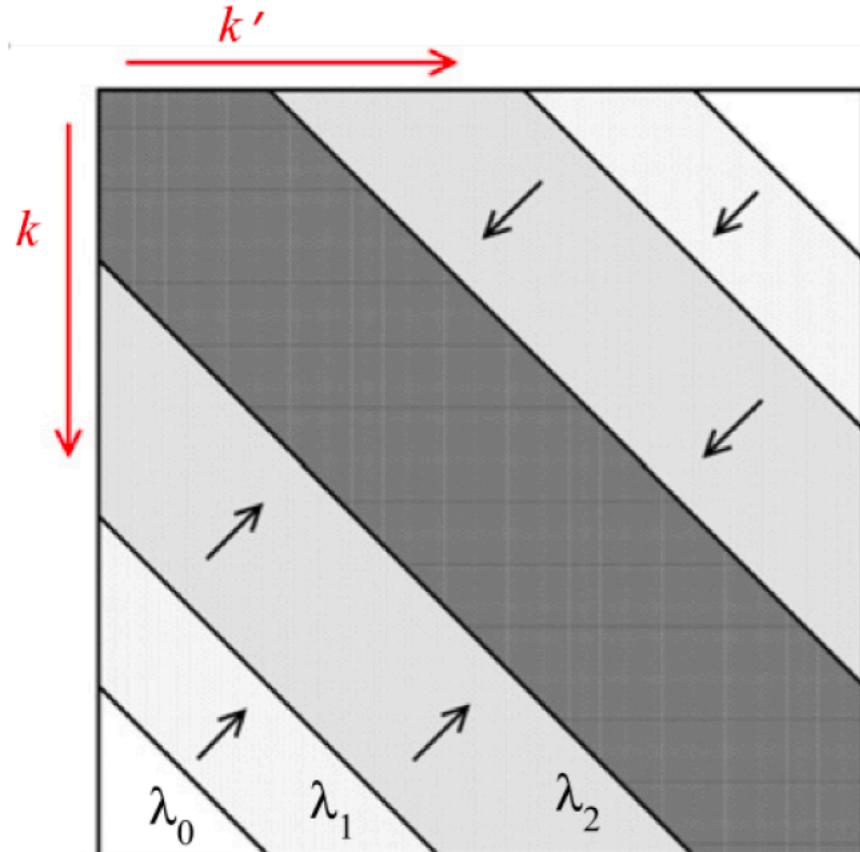


- Repulsive core & strong tensor force => low and high  $k$  modes strongly coupled by the interaction
- non-perturbative, poorly convergent basis expansions (cutoff  $\Lambda$ , No. of s.p. states  $D$ )

$$\text{Dim}(H) \sim \frac{D!}{(D-A)!A!}, \quad D \sim \Lambda^3 A \quad A \sim R^3$$

For  $\Lambda = 4.0 \text{ fm}^{-1}$ ,  $A = 16$ ,  $\text{Dim}(H) \sim 10^{14}$ .

# Realistic nuclear force: SRG



The flow parameter  $s$  is usually replaced with  $\lambda = s^{-1/4}$  with units of  $\text{fm}^{-1}$ .

S. K. Bogner, R. J. Furnstahl, and  
R. J. Perry (2007)

- Apply unitary transformations to Hamiltonian

$$H_s = U_s H U_s^\dagger \equiv T_{\text{rel}} + V_s \quad (1)$$

- Flow equation

$$\frac{dH_s}{ds} = [\eta_s, H_s], \quad (2)$$

where the generator  $\eta_s$  is chosen to diagonalize  $H(s)$  in the eigenbasis of  $T_{\text{rel}}$ ,

$$\eta_s = [T_{\text{rel}}, H_s] \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dV_s(k, k')}{ds} &= -(k^2 - k'^2) V_s(k, k') \\ &+ \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty q^2 dq (k^2 + k'^2 - 2q^2) V_s(k, q) V_s(q, k') \end{aligned}$$

# Realistic nuclear force: SRG

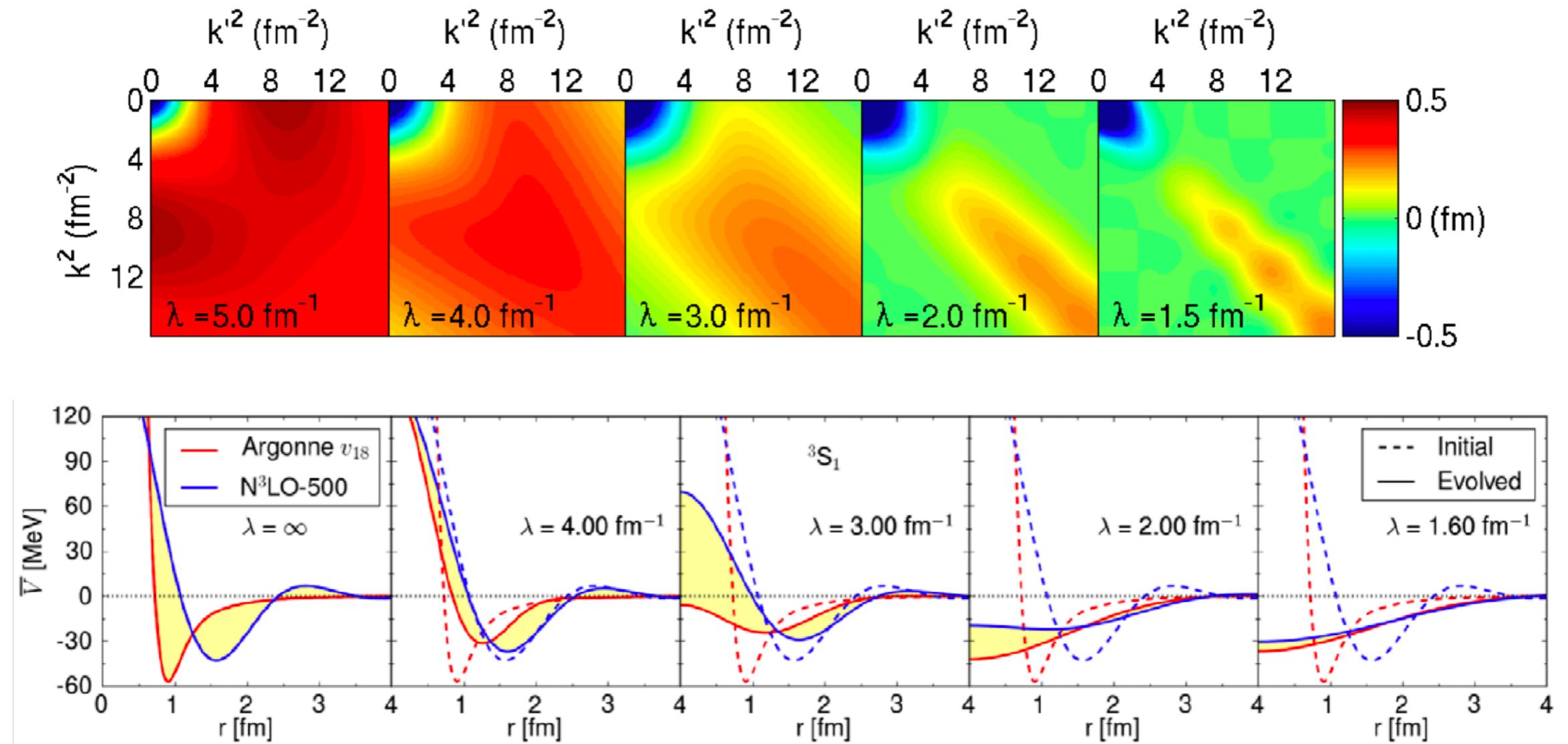


Figure: Local projection of AV18 and  $N^3\text{LO}(500 \text{ MeV})$  potentials  $V(r)$  in  $^3S_1$  channel.

- “Hard core” disappears in the softened interactions
- S. K. Bogner et al. (2010); Wendt et al. (2012)

# NCSM: exponential growth of the model space

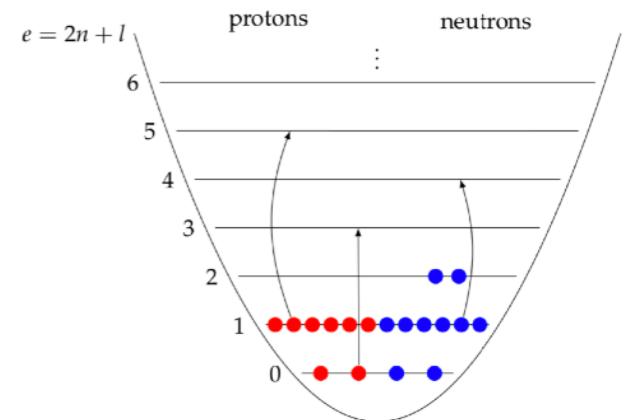
- The A-body Schroedinger equation

$$H|\Psi\rangle = E|\Psi\rangle,$$

- The wave function is expanded in terms of many-body basis states

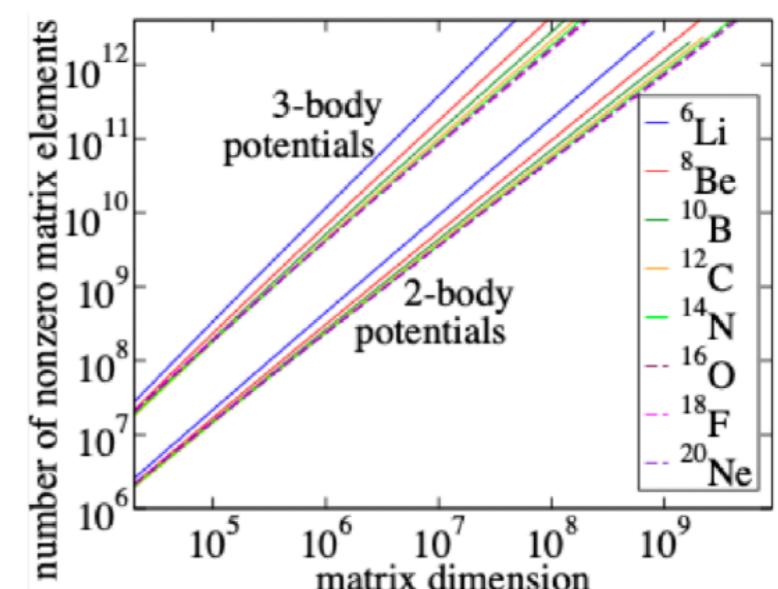
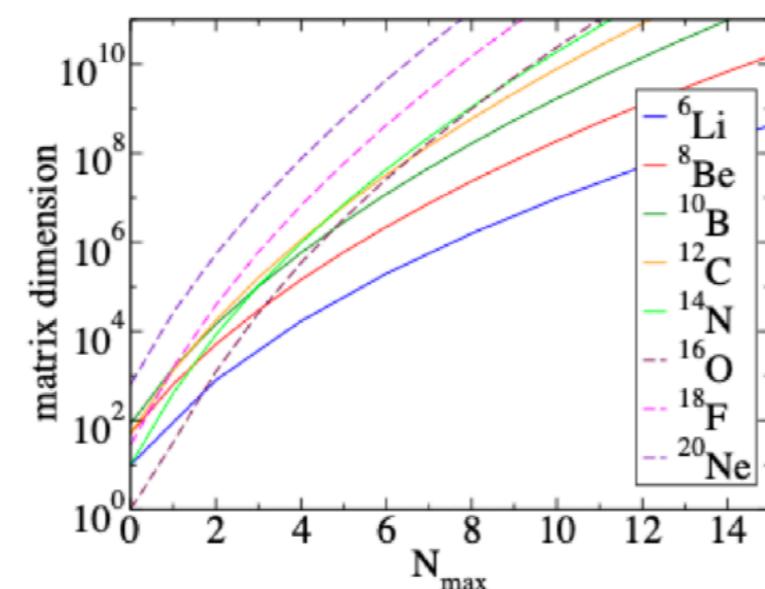
$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{\mu} c_{\mu} |\Phi_{\mu}\rangle,$$

where  $c_{\mu}$  is to be determined from the diagonalization of the  $H$ .  $|\Phi_{\mu}\rangle$  is a Slater Determinant of single-particle states occupied by the nucleons.



Dimension:

$$D \sim \begin{pmatrix} \Omega_{\pi} \\ N_{\pi} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Omega_{\nu} \\ N_{\nu} \end{pmatrix}$$



**Computation challenge**

from: C. Yang, H. M. Aktulga, P. Maris, E. Ng, J. Vary, Proceedings of NTSE-2013

# In-medium similarity renormalization group (IMSRG)

- A set of continuous **unitary transformations** onto the Hamiltonian

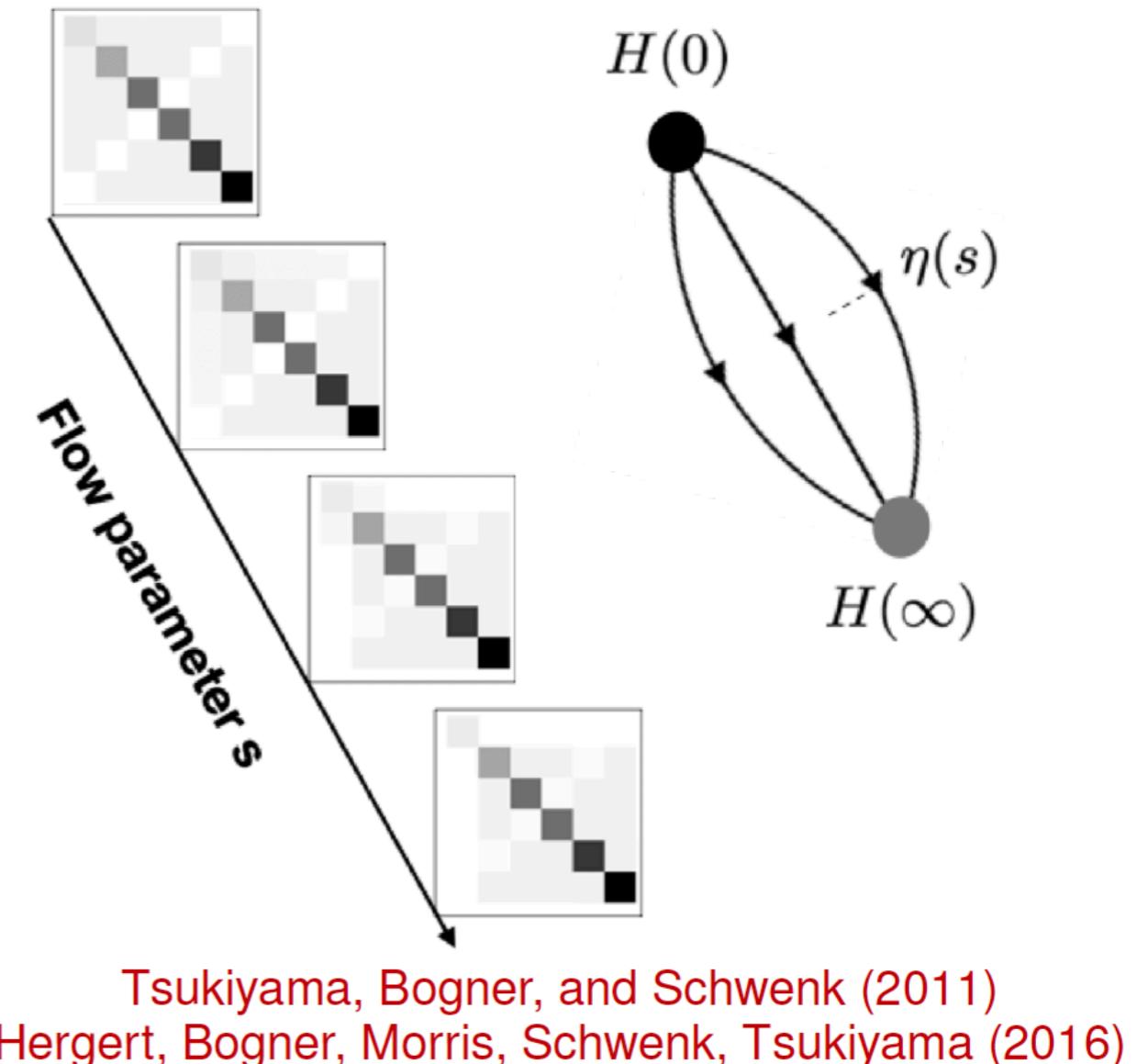
$$H(s) = U(s)H_0U^\dagger(s)$$

- Flow equation for the Hamiltonian

$$\frac{dH(s)}{ds} = [\eta(s), H(s)]$$

where the  $\eta(s) = \frac{dU(s)}{ds}U^\dagger(s)$  is the so-called generator chosen to decouple a given **reference state** from its excitations.

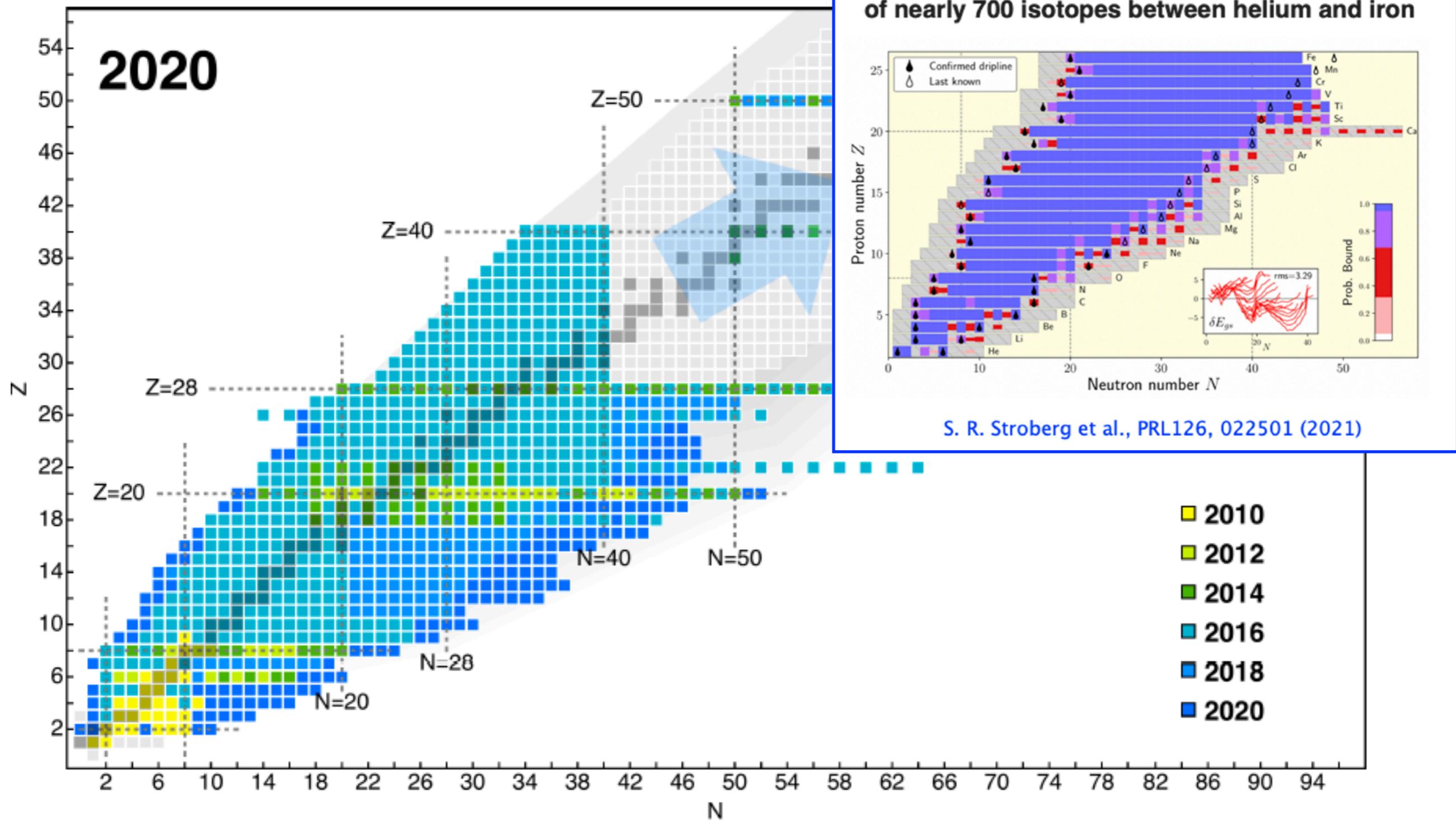
- Computation complexity scales **polynomially** with nuclear size



Not necessary to construct the H matrix elements in many-body basis !

# Achievements of ab initio calculations for nuclei

With the implementation of the SRG and IMSRG,



# ab initio calculations of nuclear single-beta decay

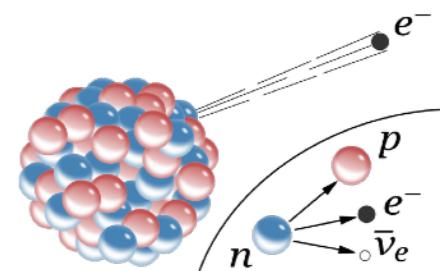
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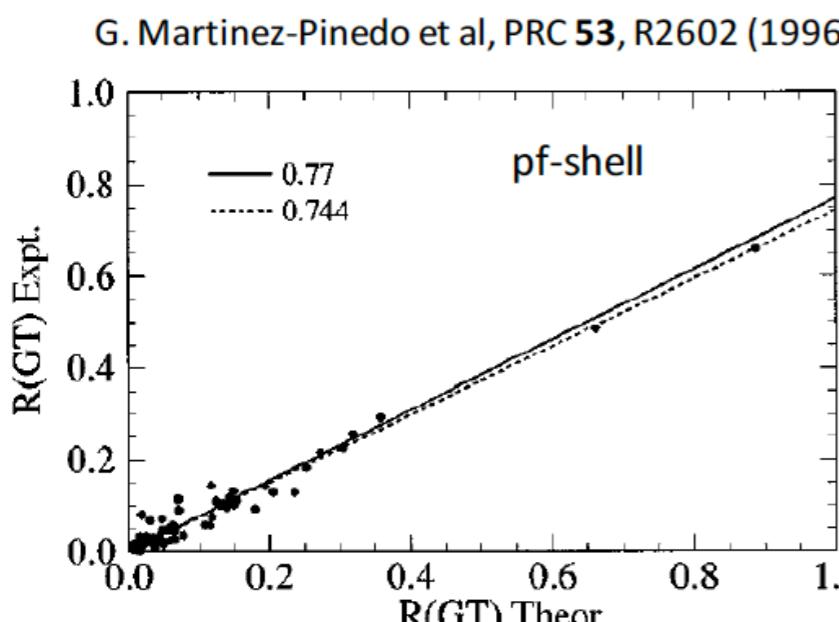
Two-body currents+  
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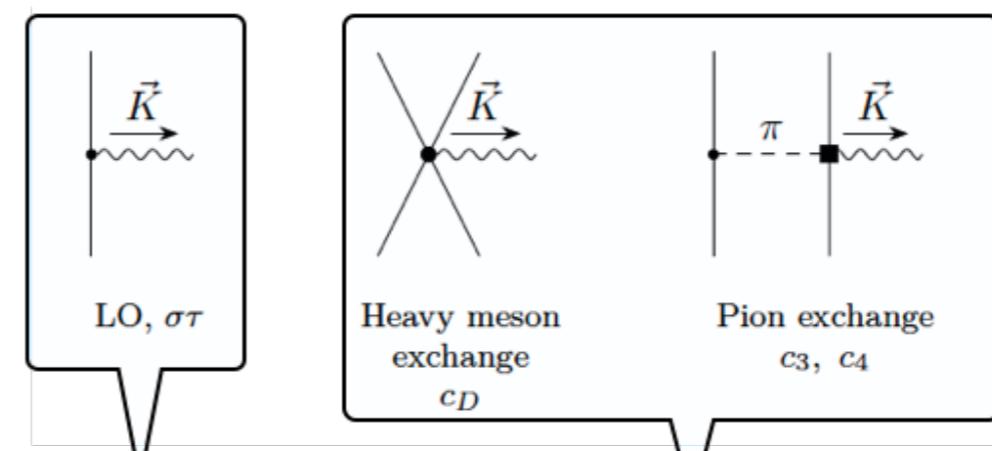
- The half-life of single-beta decay

$$t_{1/2} = \frac{\kappa}{f_0(B_F + B_{GT})},$$

$$B_F = \frac{g_V^2}{2J_i + 1} |M_F|^2, \quad B_{GT} = \frac{g_A^2}{2J_i + 1} |M_{GT}|^2$$



- charge-changing axial-vector current



$$\vec{J}^A(\vec{K}) = \sum_j i g_A \sigma_j \tau_j^\pm e^{i \vec{K} \cdot \vec{r}_j}.$$

2B currents

Park, T.-S. et al. Phys. Rev. C 67, 055206 (2003)

- GT transition operator

$$O_{GT} = O_{\sigma\tau}^{1b} + O_{2BC}^{2b}.$$

# ab initio calculations of nuclear single-beta decay

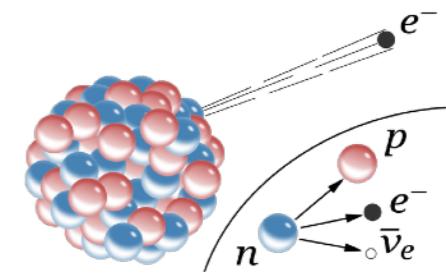
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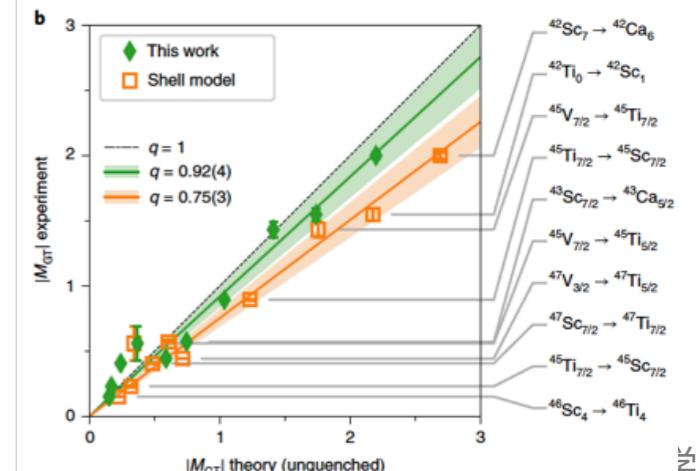
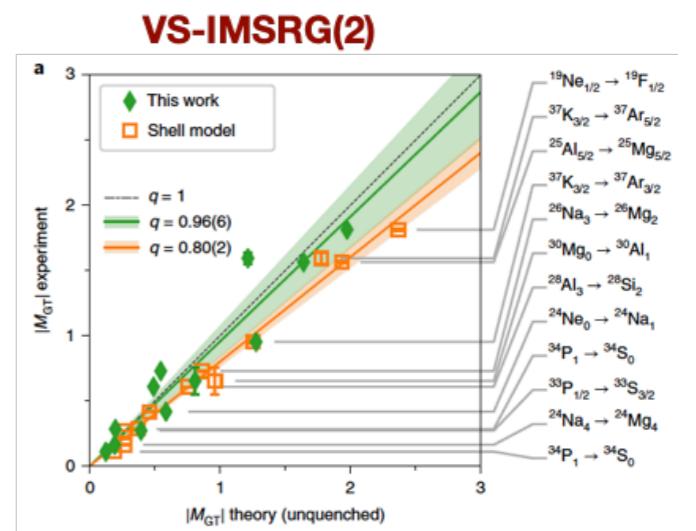
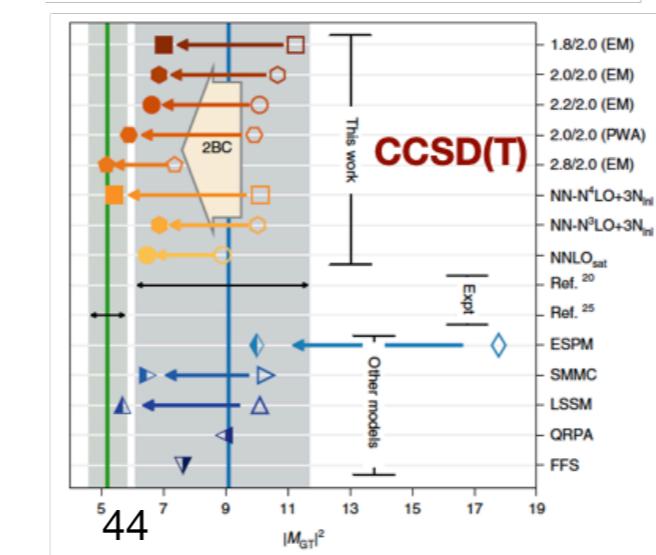
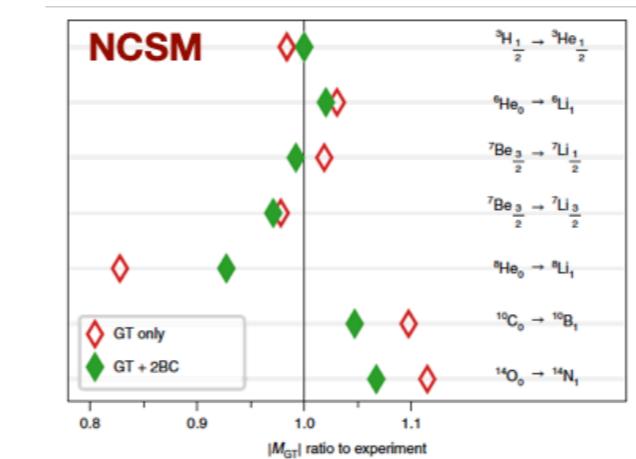
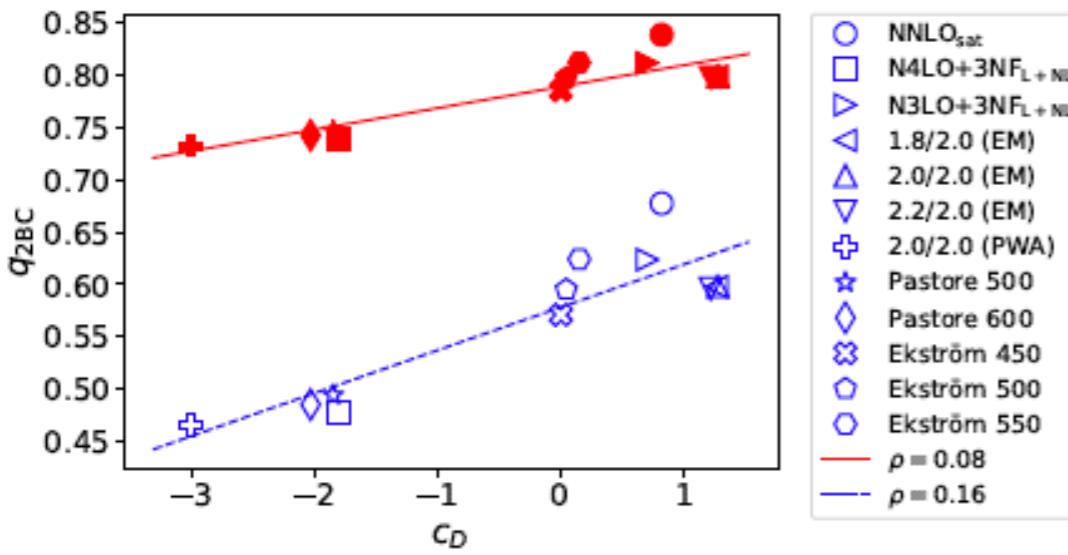
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#### • Intuitive picture

Normal-ordering the 2BC w.r.t nuclear matter of two diff. density rho.



# Advances in ab initio modeling of $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay NME

Ab initio calculations of  $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay candidate nuclei and corresponding NME of the decays

In-medium similarity renormalization group (IMSRG)+Generator coordinate method (GCM)

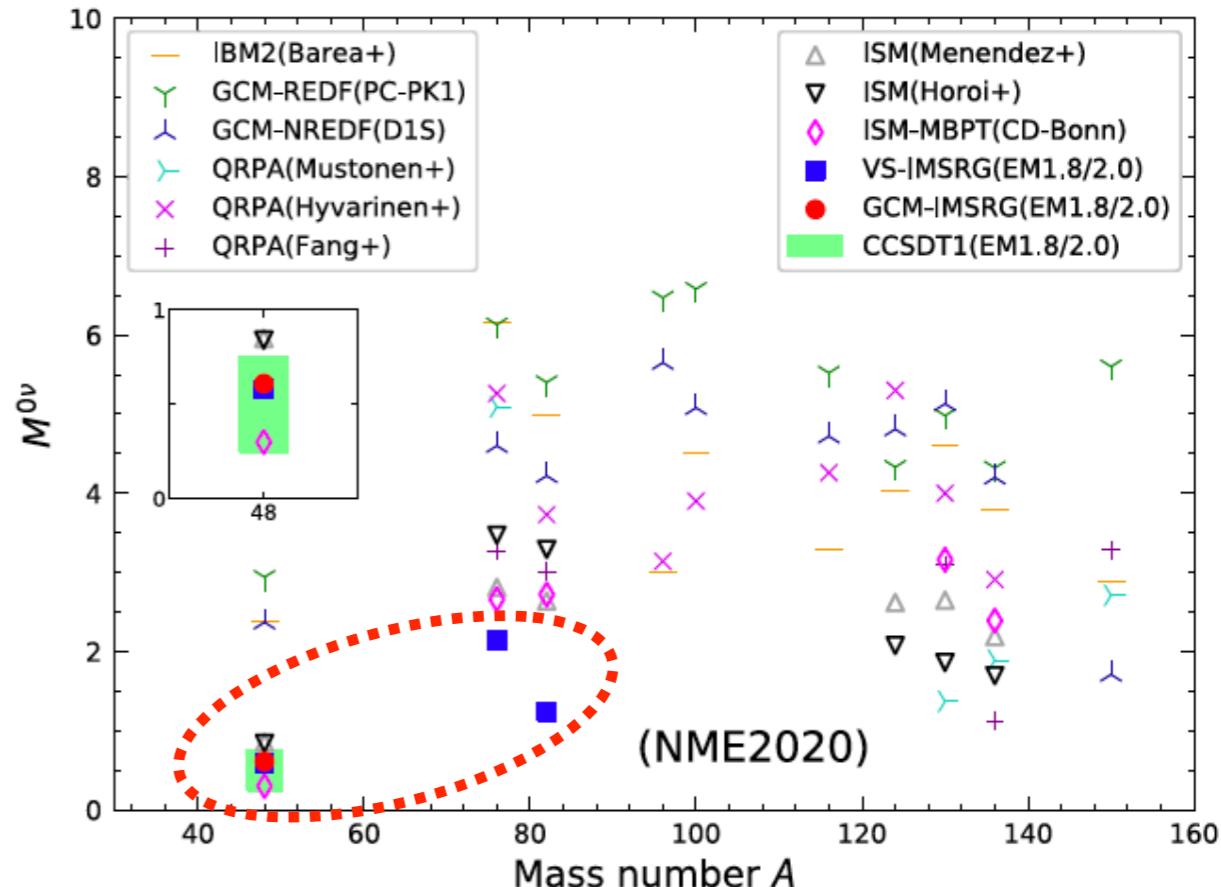
JMY et al., PRL124, 232501 (2020)

Valence-space IMSRG+ interacting-shell-model (ISM)

A. Belley et al., PRL126, 042502 (2021)

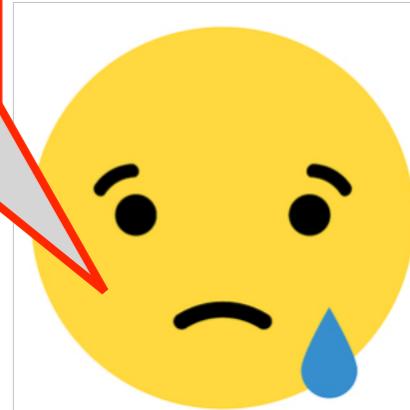
Coupled cluster (CC)

S. Novario et al., PRL126, 182502 (2021)



JMY, Science Bulletin (2021)

The NMEs by the three ab-initio methods consistently **smaller** than other phenomenological methods.



# Advances in ab initio modeling of $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay NME

Benchmark calculations for light nuclei for which (quasi)-exact solution is possible

**cross-checking among different models**

✓ Quantum Monte Carlo vs **shell model**

X. Wang et al., PLB 798, 134974 (2019)

✓ NCSM vs IMSRG

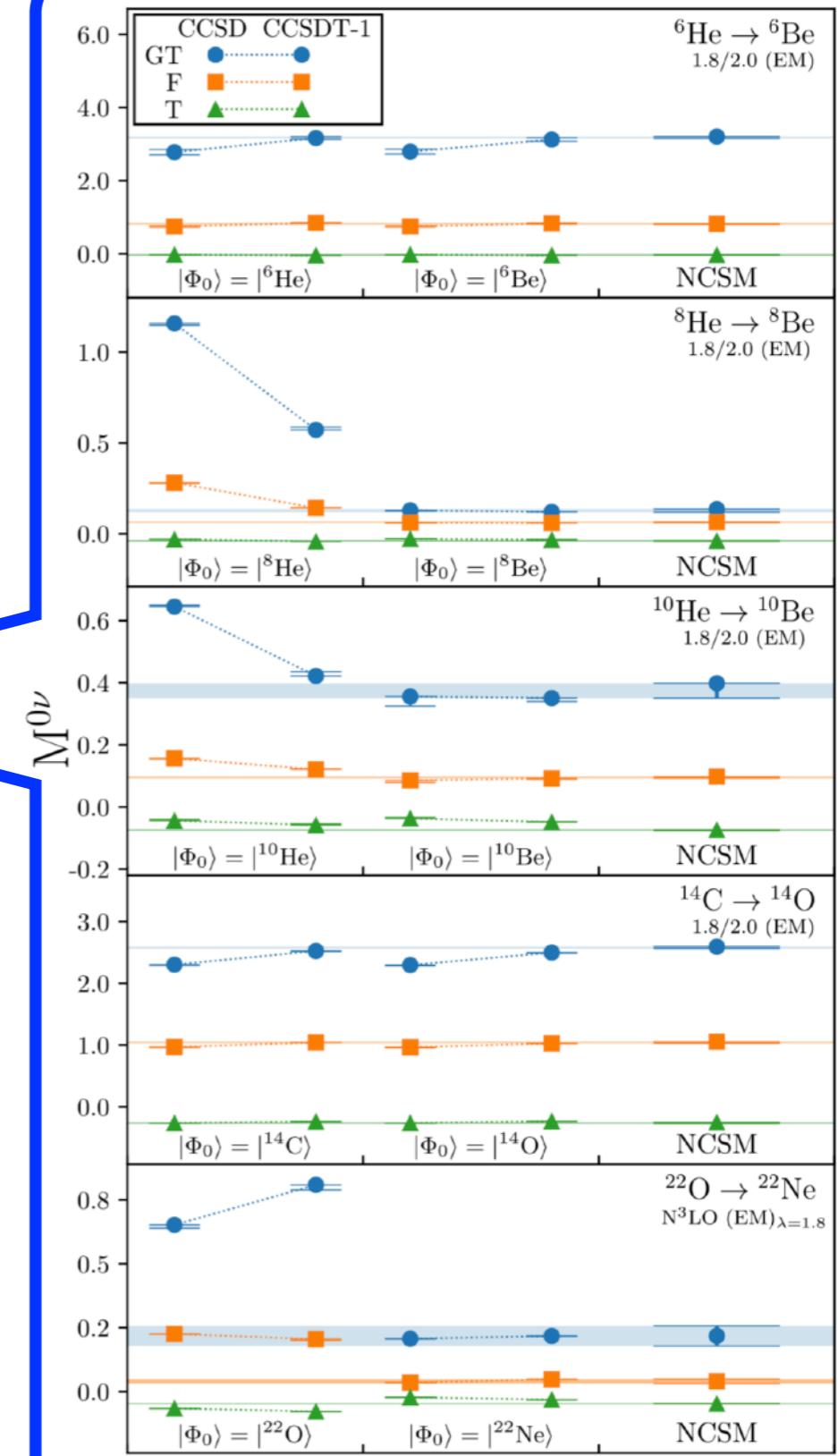
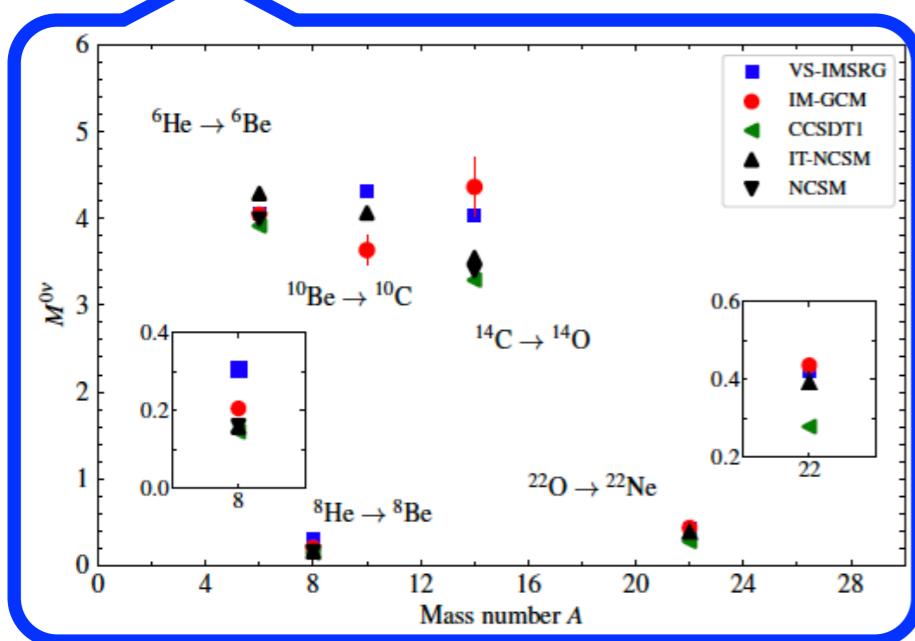
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✓ NCSM vs CC

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✓ NCSM vs IT-NCSM vs CC vs VS-IMSRG vs IM-GCM

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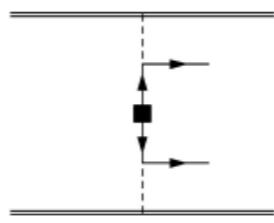
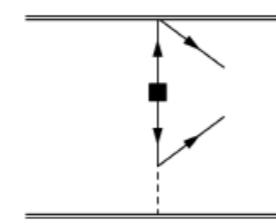
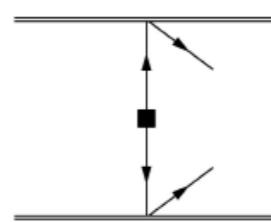
# Advances in ab initio modeling of $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay NME

- The  $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay in chiral EFT based on the “standard” mechanism of light Majorana neutrino exchange      [V. Cirigliano et al., PRC97, 065501 \(2018\)](#)

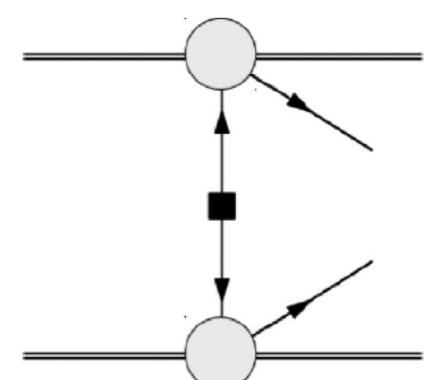
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$$V_\nu = \sum_{a \neq b} (V_{\nu,0}^{(a,b)} + V_{\nu,2}^{(a,b)} + \dots).$$

**LO**



Pions integrated out



$$\begin{aligned} V_{\nu,0}^{(a,b)} &= \tau^{(a)+} \tau^{(b)+} \frac{1}{\mathbf{q}^2} \left\{ 1 - g_A^2 \right. \\ &\times \left. \left[ \boldsymbol{\sigma}^{(a)} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}^{(b)} - \boldsymbol{\sigma}^{(a)} \cdot \mathbf{q} \boldsymbol{\sigma}^{(b)} \cdot \mathbf{q} \frac{2m_\pi^2 + \mathbf{q}^2}{(\mathbf{q}^2 + m_\pi^2)^2} \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

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$$V_{\nu,0}^{(a,b)} = \tau^{(a)+} \tau^{(b)+} \frac{1}{\mathbf{q}^2} g_A^2 \{ h_F(\mathbf{q}^2)/g_A^2 - \sigma^{(a)} \cdot \sigma^{(b)} h_{GT}(\mathbf{q}^2) \\ - S^{(ab)} h_T(\mathbf{q}^2) \},$$

dipole form factors

$$g_V(q) = g_V \left(1 + \frac{q^2}{\Lambda_V^2}\right)^{-2}, \quad g_A(q) = g_A \left(1 + \frac{q^2}{\Lambda_A^2}\right)^{-2},$$

$$g_M(q) = (1 + \kappa_1)g_V(q), \quad g_P(q) = -\frac{2m_N g_A(q)}{q^2 + m_\pi^2}.$$

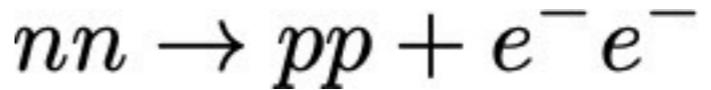
- Genuine N<sup>2</sup>LO contributions from loops corrections to the LO diagram (induce **short-range neutrino potential**) are NOT considered yet**

$$V_{\nu,2}^{(a,b)} = \tau^{(a)+} \tau^{(b)+} \times \left( \mathcal{V}_{VV}^{(a,b)} + \mathcal{V}_{AA}^{(a,b)} + \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{AA}^{(a,b)} \ln \frac{m_\pi^2}{\mu_{us}^2} + \mathcal{V}_{CT}^{(a,b)} \right). \quad \text{CT at N<sup>2</sup>LO}$$

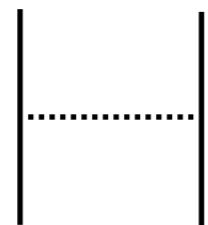
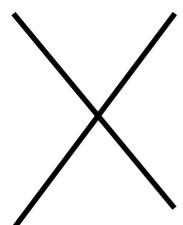
$$\mathcal{V}_{CT}^{(a,b)} = \frac{g_A^2}{(4\pi F_\pi)^2} \frac{\sigma^{(a)} \cdot \mathbf{q} \sigma^{(b)} \cdot \mathbf{q}}{m_\pi^2} \left[ \frac{5}{6} g_\nu^{\pi\pi} \frac{\hat{q}}{(1+\hat{q})^2} - g_\nu^{\pi N} \frac{1}{1+\hat{q}} \right] = \frac{2g_\nu^{NN}}{(4\pi F_\pi)^2} \mathbf{1}^{(a)} \times \mathbf{1}^{(b)}$$

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V. Cirigliano et al., PRL120, 202001 (2018); PRC97,065501 (2019)



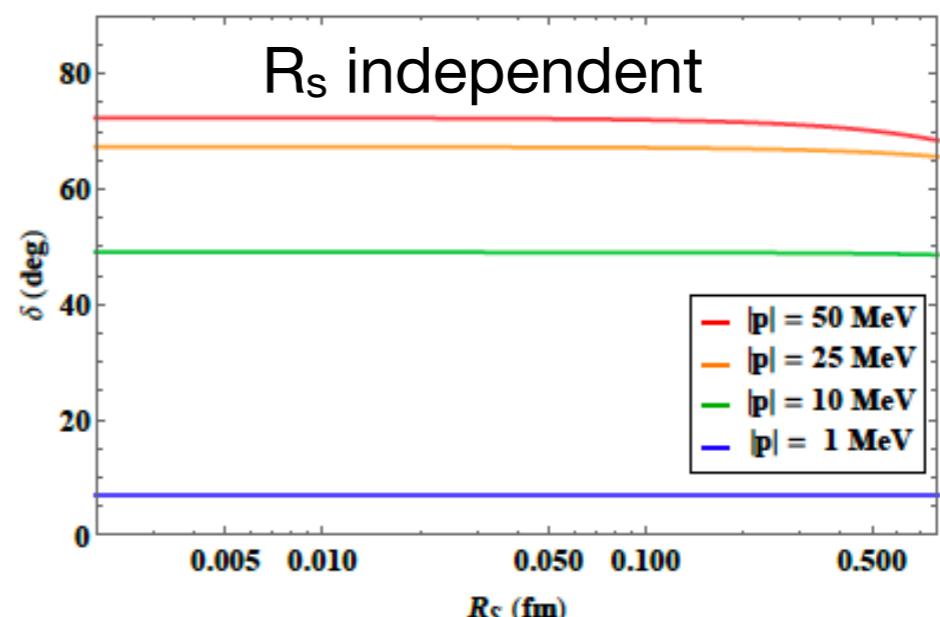
$$V_0(\mathbf{q}) = \tilde{C} + V_\pi(\mathbf{q}),$$

$$V_\pi(\mathbf{q}) = -\frac{g_A^2}{4F_\pi^2} \frac{m_\pi^2}{\mathbf{q}^2 + m_\pi^2},$$

The contact nuclear potential is regularized as

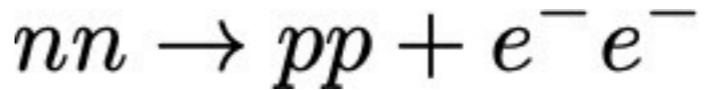
$$\tilde{C}\delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{r}) \rightarrow \frac{\tilde{C}(R_S)}{(\sqrt{\pi}R_S)^3} \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{R_S^2}\right) \equiv \tilde{C}(R_S)\delta_{R_S}^{(3)}(\mathbf{r}),$$

The LEC  $\tilde{C}(R_S)$  is adjusted to reproduce the np-scattering length for a given  $R_S$ .

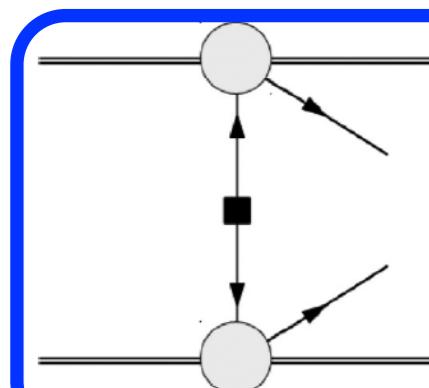


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$$\mathcal{A}_\nu(E, E') = -\langle \Psi_{pp}(E') | V_{\nu L}^{1S_0} | \Psi_{nn}(E) \rangle,$$

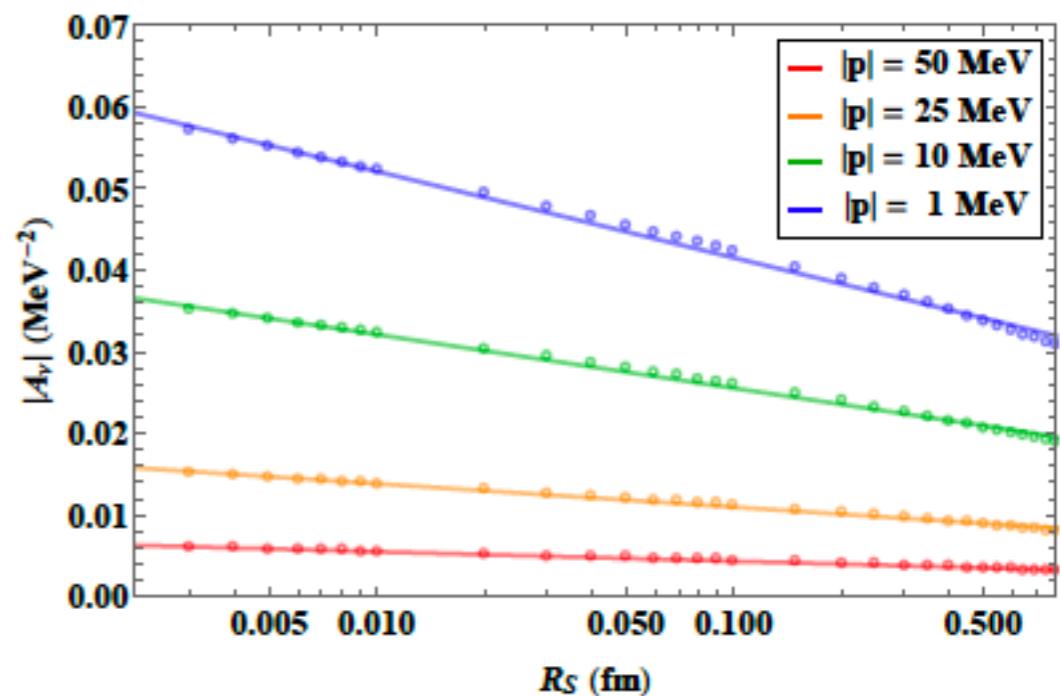
$$E = \mathbf{p}^2/m_n \text{ and } E' = \mathbf{p}'^2/m_p$$

$$E' = E + 2(m_n - m_p - m_e)$$

$$|\mathbf{p}'| = \sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 + 2m_N(m_n - m_p - m_e)},$$

The transition amplitude is regulator dependent!  
Needs a counter term (contact operator) at LO in  
order to ensure renormalizability.

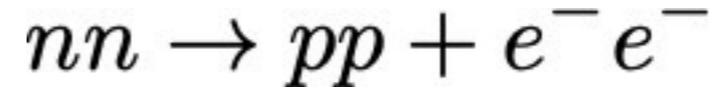
Violation of power counting?



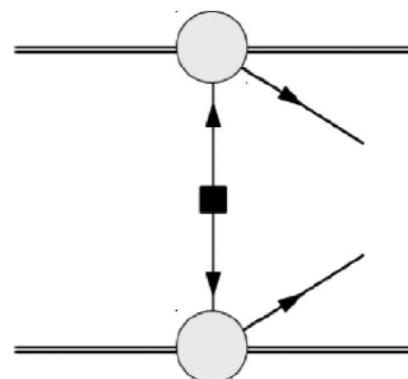
Lines fitted to  $\mathcal{A}_\nu = a + b \ln R_S$   
logarithmic dependence on  $R_S$

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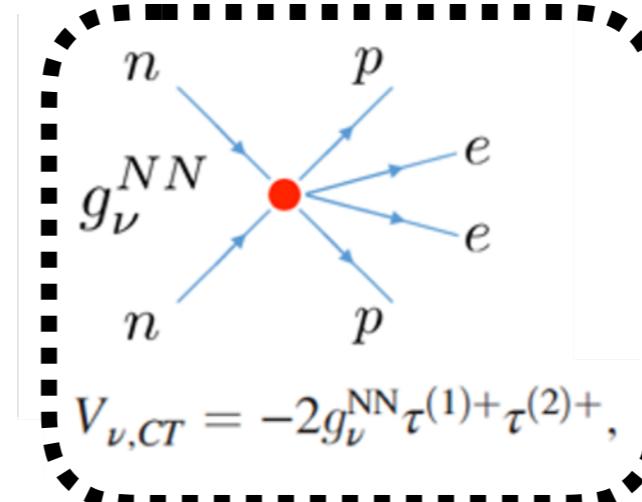
► Necessary of introducing a contact term at LO



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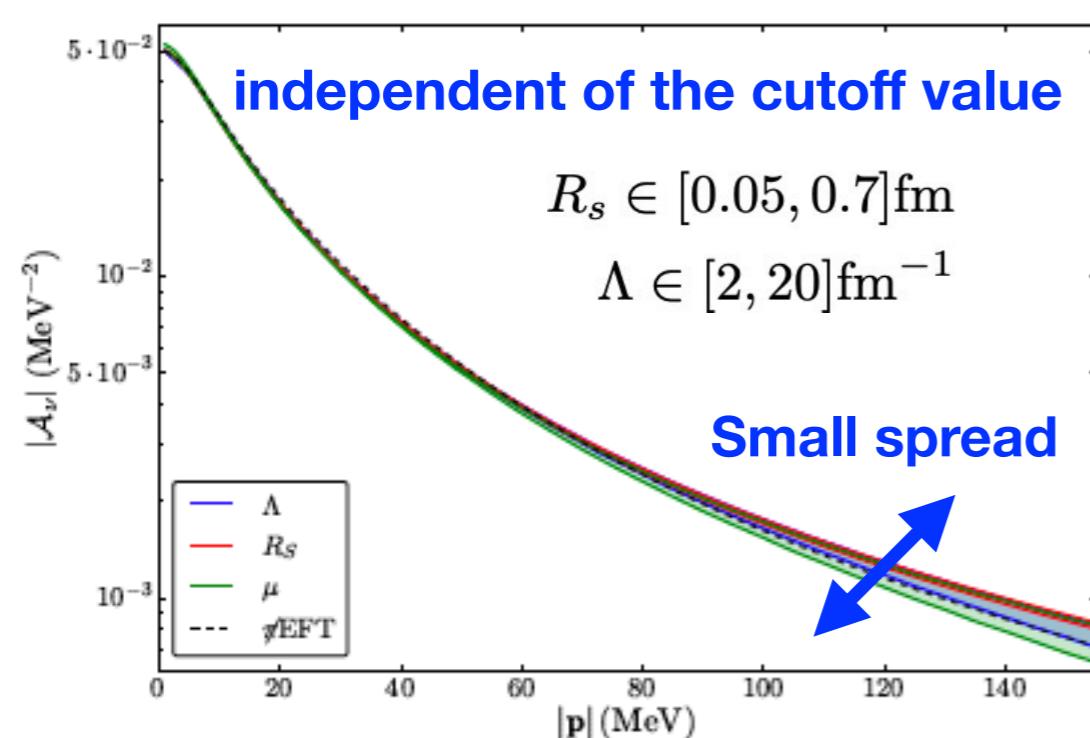
A missing piece



Total transition amplitude

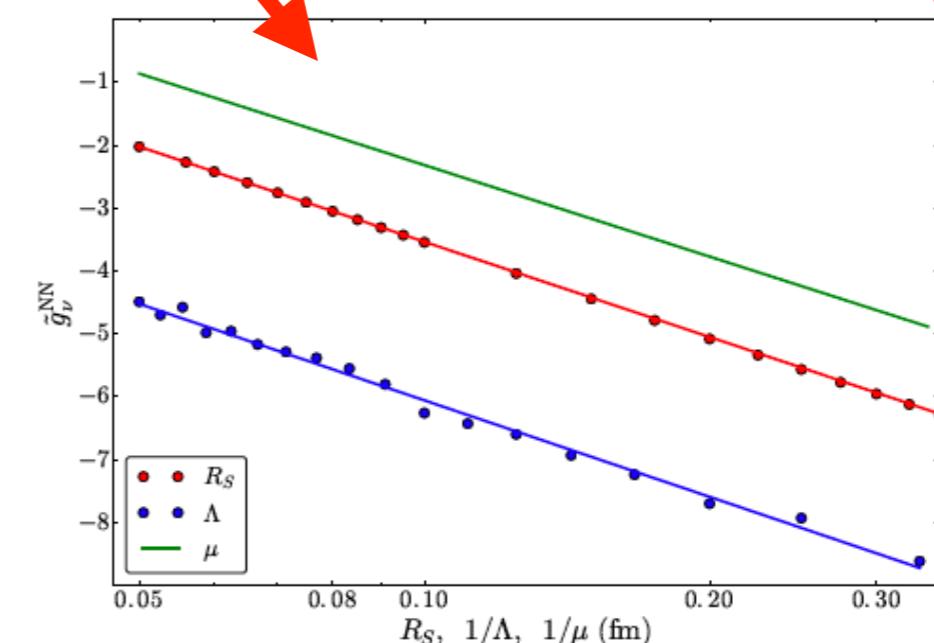
$$\mathcal{A}(p, p') = \mathcal{A}_L(p, p') - 2g\mathcal{A}_S(p, p').$$

Fitted to an arbitrary value



$\boxed{\mathcal{A}_\nu(|p| = 1 \text{ MeV}, |p'| = 38 \text{ MeV}) e^{-i(\delta_{1S_0}(E) + \delta_{1S_0}(E'))} = -0.05 \text{ MeV}^{-2}}$

LEC





# Determination of the leading-order contact operator

◆ The LEC should be fitted to **data** or the LD+SD **amplitude by Lattice QCD**

Light-Neutrino Exchange and Long-Distance Contributions to  $0\nu2\beta$  Decays: An Exploratory Study on  $\pi\pi \rightarrow ee$

Xu Feng, Lu-Chang Jin, Xin-Yu Tuo, and Shi-Cheng Xia  
Phys. Rev. Lett. **122**, 022001 – Published 15 January 2019

$$\text{LQCD: } \left. \frac{\mathcal{A}(\pi\pi \rightarrow ee)}{F_\pi^2 T_{\text{lept}}} \right|_{m_\pi=140 \text{ MeV}} = 1.820(6)$$

$$T_{\text{lept}} = 4G_F^2 V_{ud}^2 m_{\beta\beta} \bar{u}_L(p_1) u_L^c(p_2).$$

$$\text{Chiral EFT(LO): } \mathcal{A}^{\text{LO}}(\pi\pi \rightarrow ee) = 2F_\pi^2 T_{\text{lept}}$$

discrepancy might be from

- lattice artifacts and finite-volume effects
- LO chiral expansion error

Path from Lattice QCD to the Short-Distance Contribution to  $0\nu\beta\beta$  Decay with a Light Majorana Neutrino

Zohreh Davoudi and Saurabh V. Kadam

Phys. Rev. Lett. **126**, 152003 (2021) – Published 16 April 2021

Providing a framework to match the total transition amplitude of the  $nn \rightarrow ppe-e-$  process from the calculations of both **lattice QCD** and **chiral effective field theory**.

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## ► Determination of the LEC for the contact term

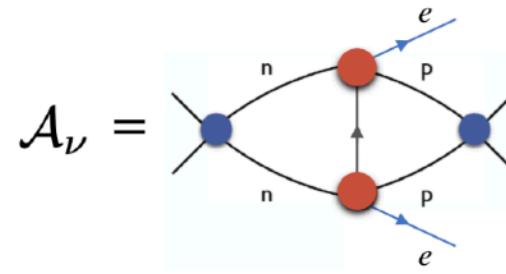
### Toward Complete Leading-Order Predictions for Neutrinoless Double $\beta$ Decay

Vincenzo Cirigliano, Wouter Dekens, Jordy de Vries, Martin Hoferichter, and Emar Mereghetti

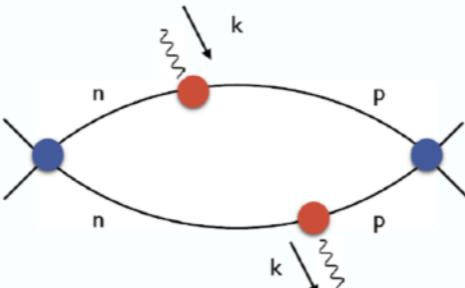
Phys. Rev. Lett. **126**, 172002 (2021) – Published 30 April 2021

- **Cottingham formula** [W.N. Cottingham, Ann. Phys. 25, 424 \(1963\)](#)

$$\mathcal{A}_\nu \propto \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{g_{\mu\nu}}{k^2 + i\epsilon} \int d^4 x e^{ik \cdot x} \langle pp | T\{ j_w^\mu(x) j_w^\nu(0) \} | nn \rangle$$



$$\propto \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{k^2 + i\epsilon}$$

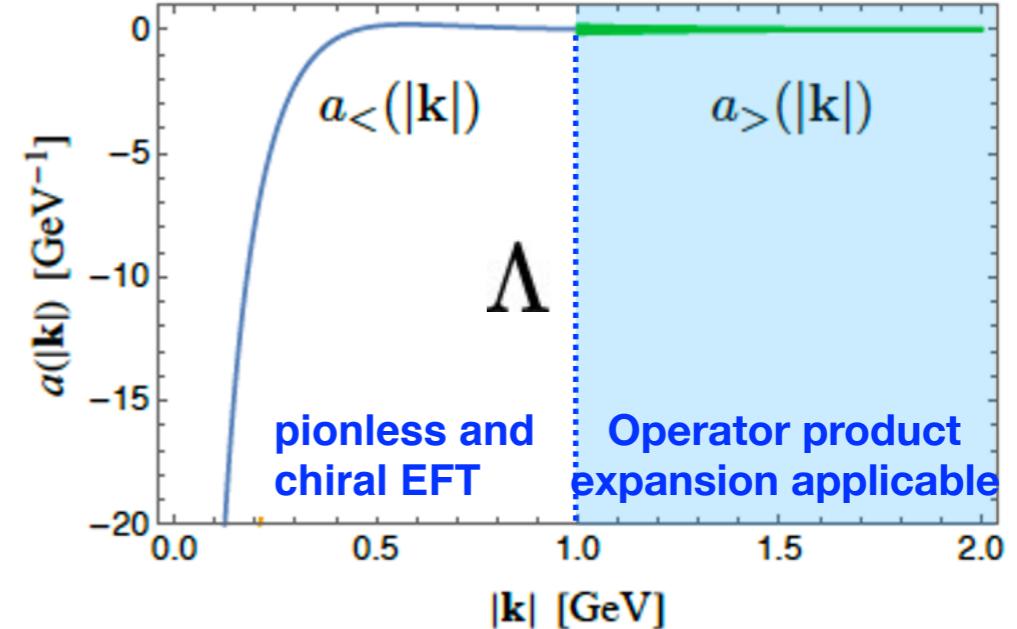


forward Compton amplitude

- **Synthetic datum**

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_\nu(|\mathbf{p}|, |\mathbf{p}'|) \times e^{-i(\delta_1 s_0(|\mathbf{p}|) + \delta_1 s_0(|\mathbf{p}'|))} &= - \left( 2.271 - 0.075 \tilde{\mathcal{C}}_1(4M_\pi) \right) \times 10^{-2} \text{ MeV}^{-2} \\ |\mathbf{p}| = 25 \text{ MeV} \quad (|\mathbf{p}'| = 30 \text{ MeV}) &= -1.95(5) \tilde{\mathcal{C}}_1 \times 10^{-2} \text{ MeV}^{-2}, \end{aligned}$$

Uncertainty from the estimate of the **inelastic** contributions



$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_\nu^{\text{full}} &= \int_0^\infty d|\mathbf{k}| a^{\text{full}}(|\mathbf{k}|) = \mathcal{A}^< + \mathcal{A}^>, \\ \mathcal{A}^< &= \int_0^\Lambda d|\mathbf{k}| a_<(|\mathbf{k}|), \\ \mathcal{A}^> &= \int_\Lambda^\infty d|\mathbf{k}| a_>(|\mathbf{k}|), \end{aligned}$$

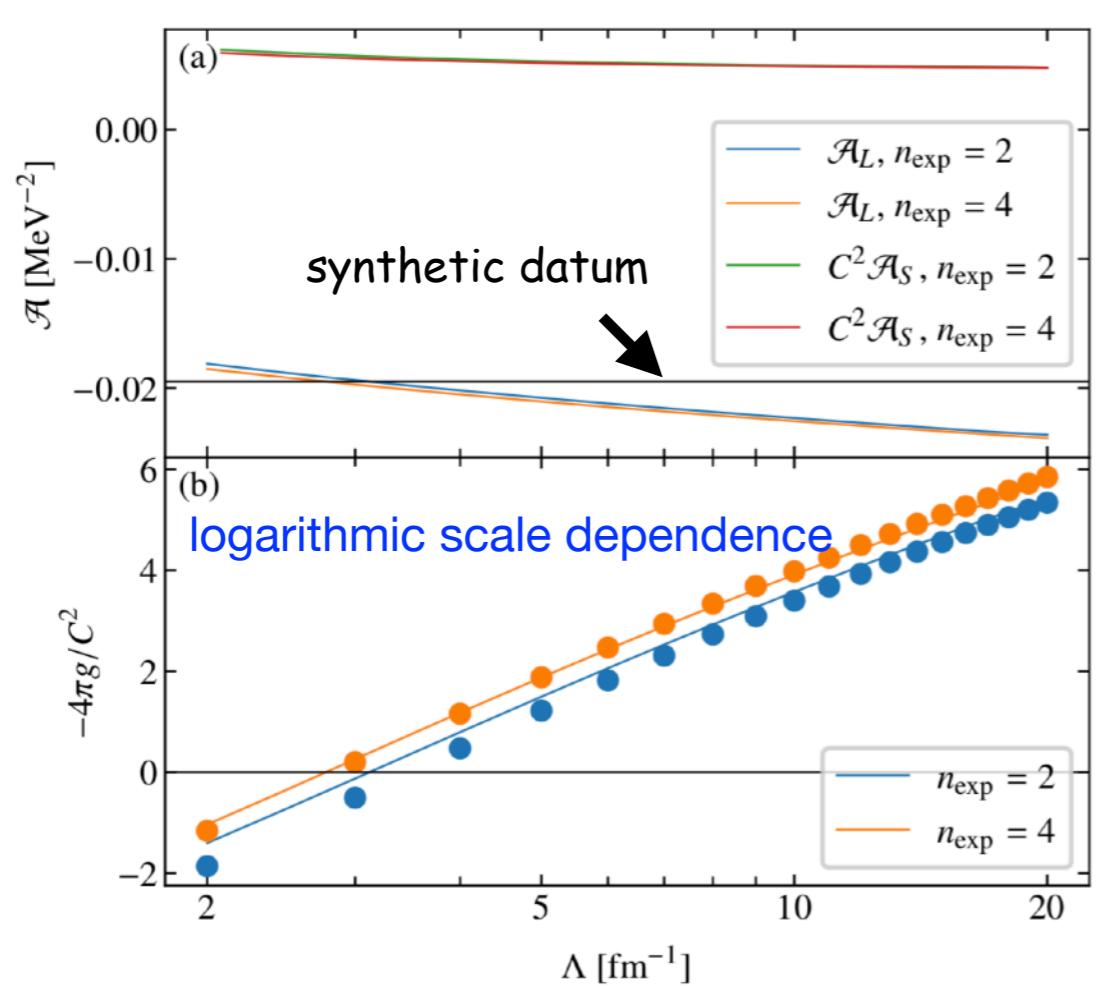
The amplitude is observable and thus scheme independent.

# Determination of the leading-order contact operator

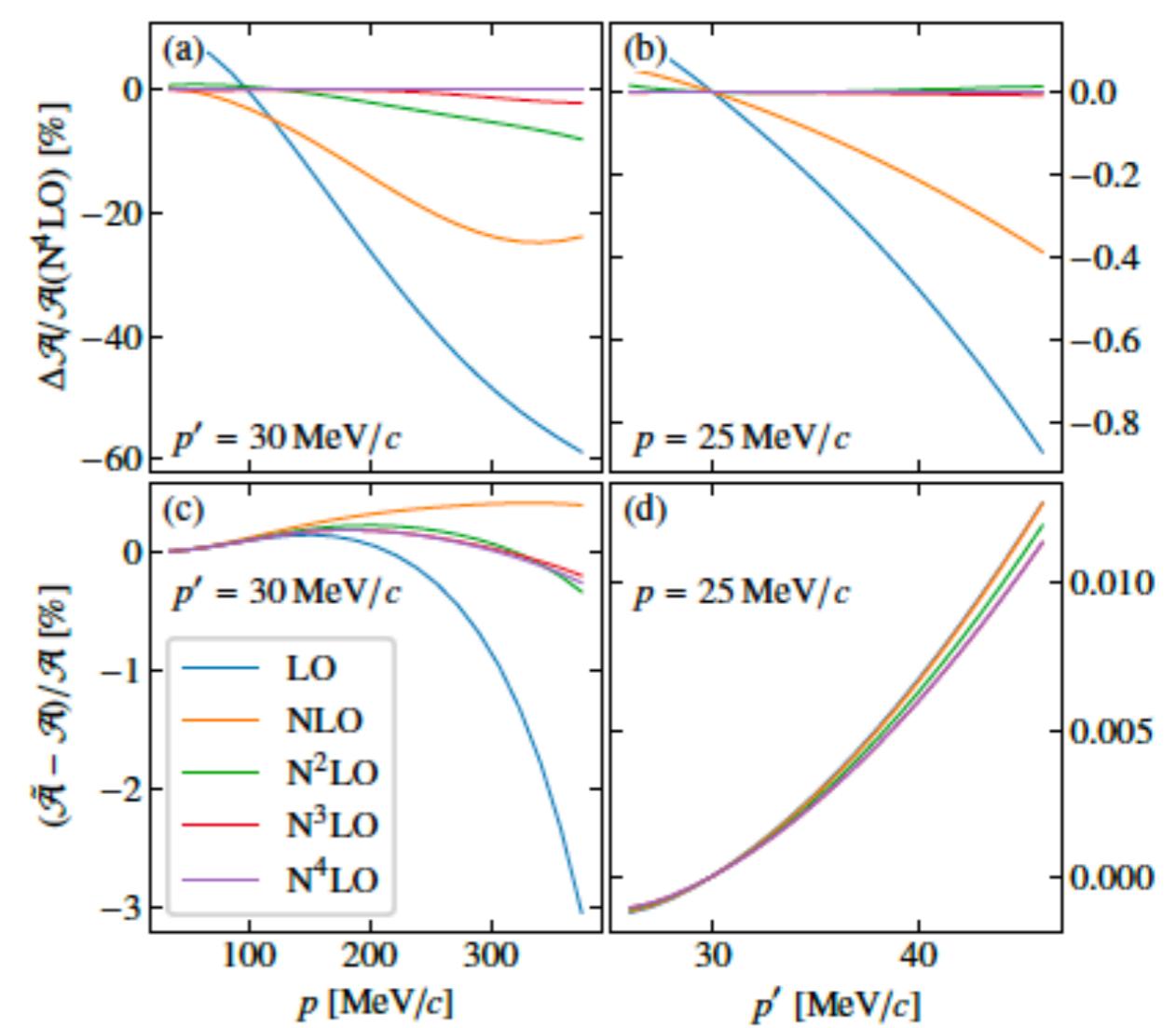
## ► Contribution of the contact term to the NME of finite nuclei

$$\mathcal{A}(p, p') = \mathcal{A}_L(p, p') - 2g\mathcal{A}_S(p, p').$$

- Chiral expansion order of the nuclear interaction (not transition operator)
- LO and N<sup>2</sup>LO (partial) neutrino potential

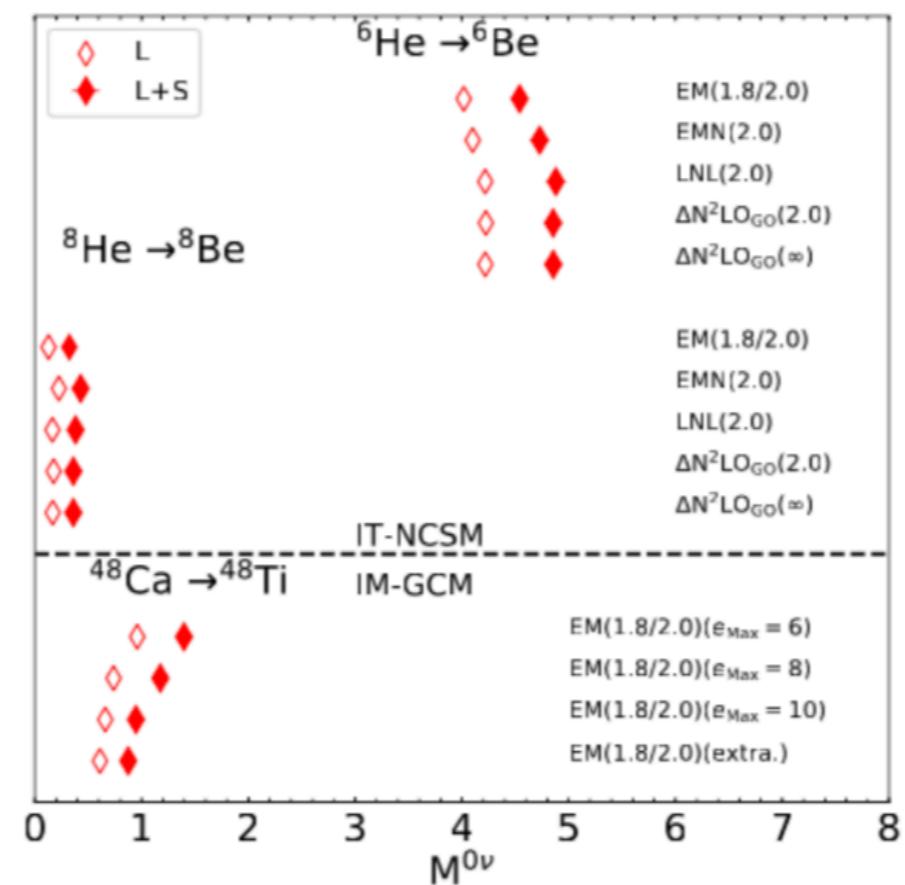
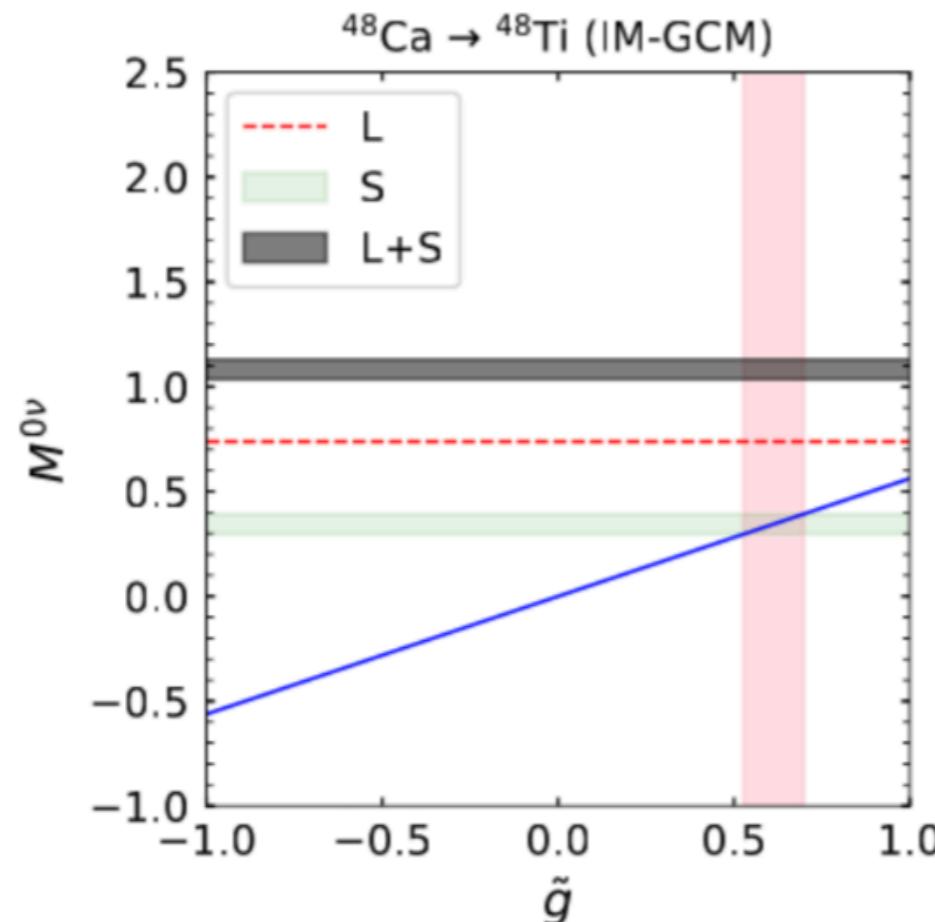


The dimensionless LEC  $C$  is adjusted to reproduce the neutron-proton scattering length  $a_{np} = -23.74$  fm.



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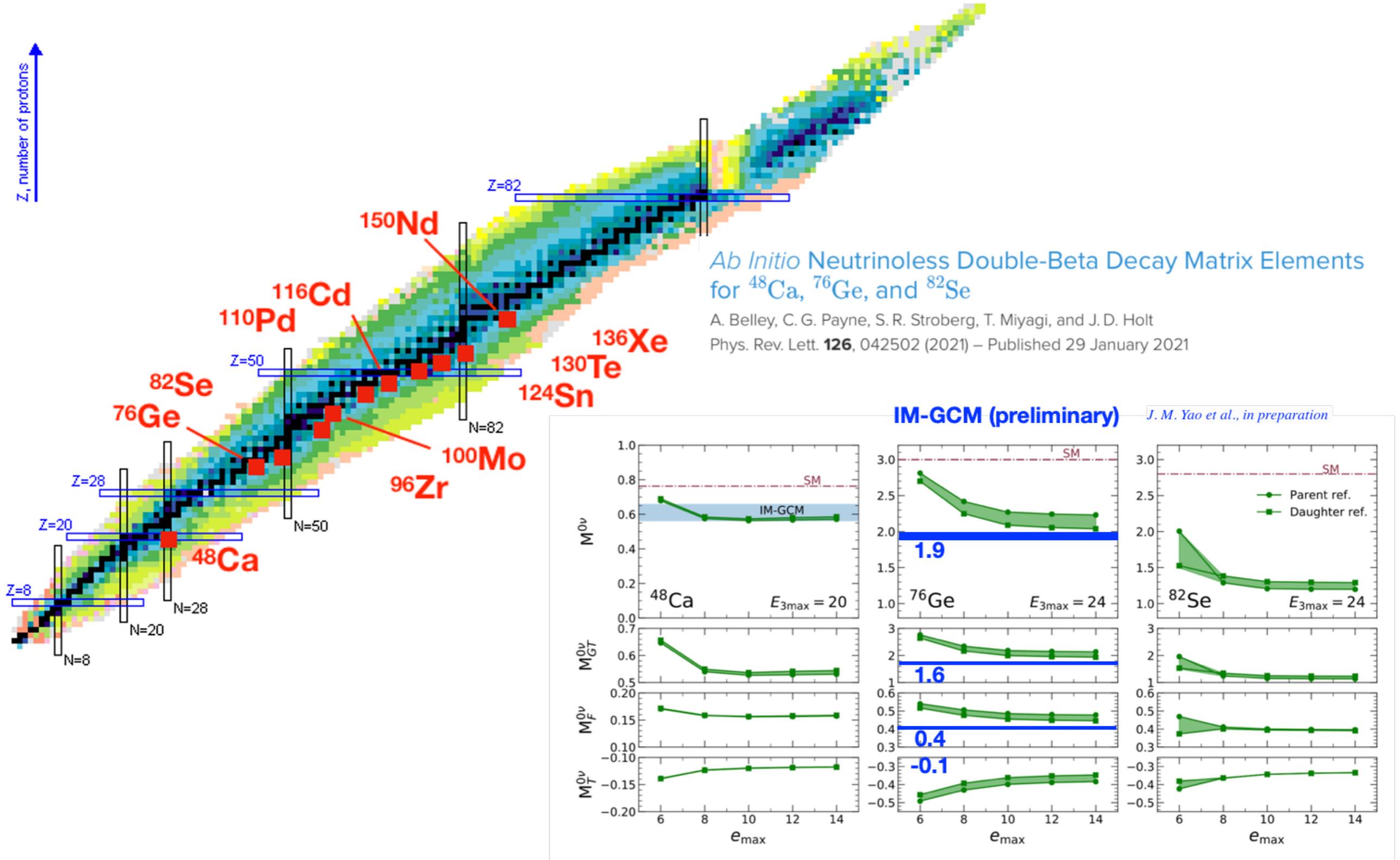
## ► The contribution of the contact term to the NME



- The contact term **enhances the NME for  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  by 43(7)%**, the uncertainty is propagated only from the synthetic datum.
- An important positive message for planning and interpreting future experiments.

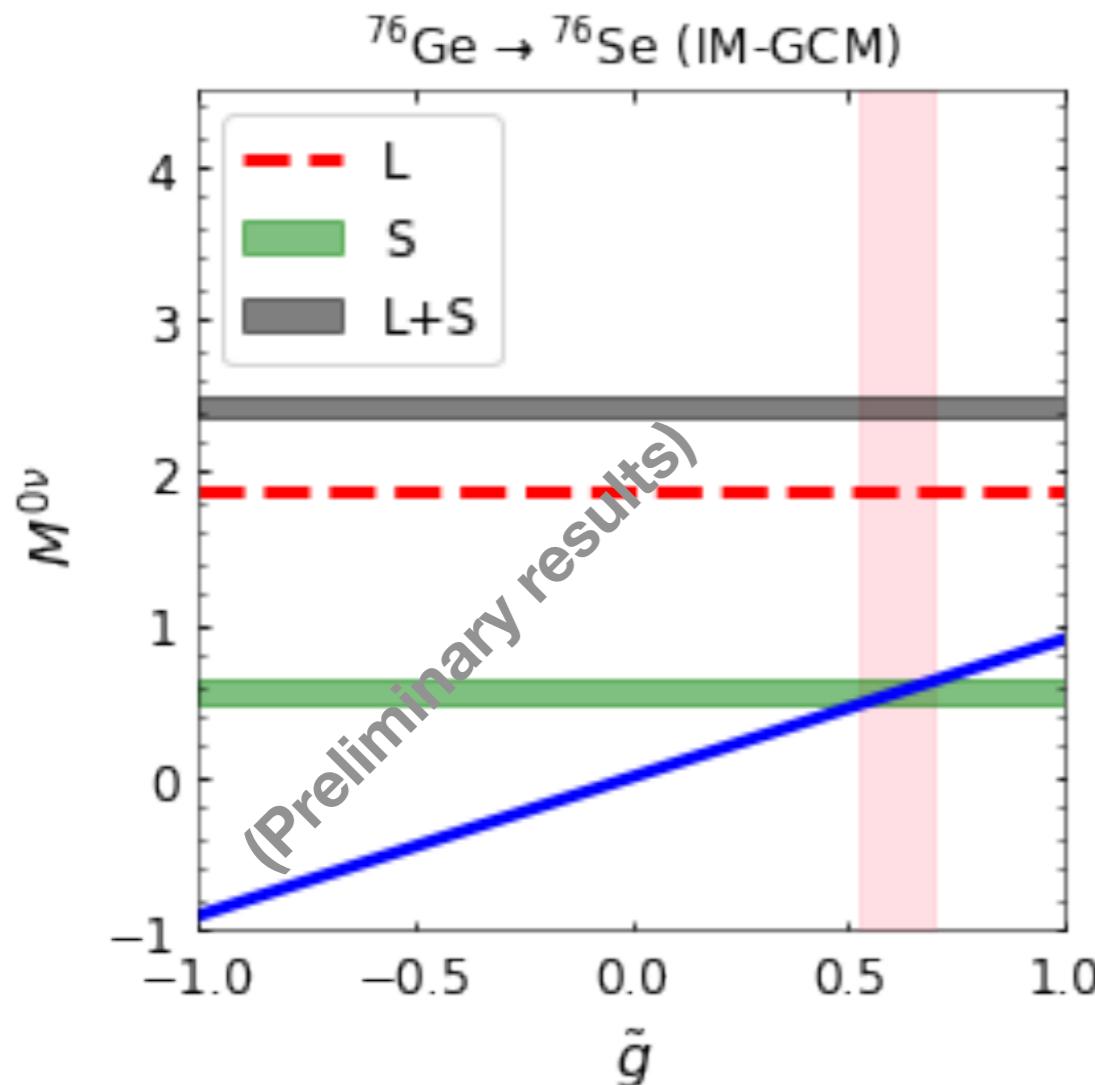
R. Wirth, JMY, H. Hergert, arXiv:2105.05415 [nucl-th]

# Extension to heavier $0\nu\beta\beta$ candidates



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- The contribution of the contact term to the NME



$$e_{\text{Max}} = 8, \hbar\omega = 12 \text{ MeV}$$

The contact term **enhances** the NME for  $^{76}\text{Ge}$  by 29(5)% !





# Summary and outlook

## ◆ Take-away messages

- Experimental searches of  $0\nu\beta\beta$  decay are pushing up to **tonne-scale detectors** with the half-life sensitivity up to  **$10^{28}$  years**.
- The **NMEs** by phenomenological models **differ by a factor up to three**. It is a challenge to reduce the discrepancy.
- Significant advances in ab initio modeling of atomic nuclei.

From light to medium-mass nuclei, close-shell to open-shell nuclei, spherical to deformed nuclei.

- **Ab initio calculation of the NMEs of candidate nuclei with both long- and short-range operators are within reach.**
  - ✓ The leading-order short-range operator **generally enhances the NME** in the ab initio calculations using a **chiral nuclear force** with **low-energy scale regulator**.
  - ✓ Ready to compute the NME of heavier candidate nuclei.

# Summary and outlook

## ◆ Outlook (TODO LIST)

- **Standard mechanism:** trans. operators derived consist. from EFT)
- **Other mechanisms:** heavy-particle exch., Left-Right mixing, etc.
- **Uncertainty Quantification:** Truncation error in both nuclear interactions and many-body methods, IMSRG(3)
- **Building an emulator for the NME:** Machine learning?



**Missing many pieces?**



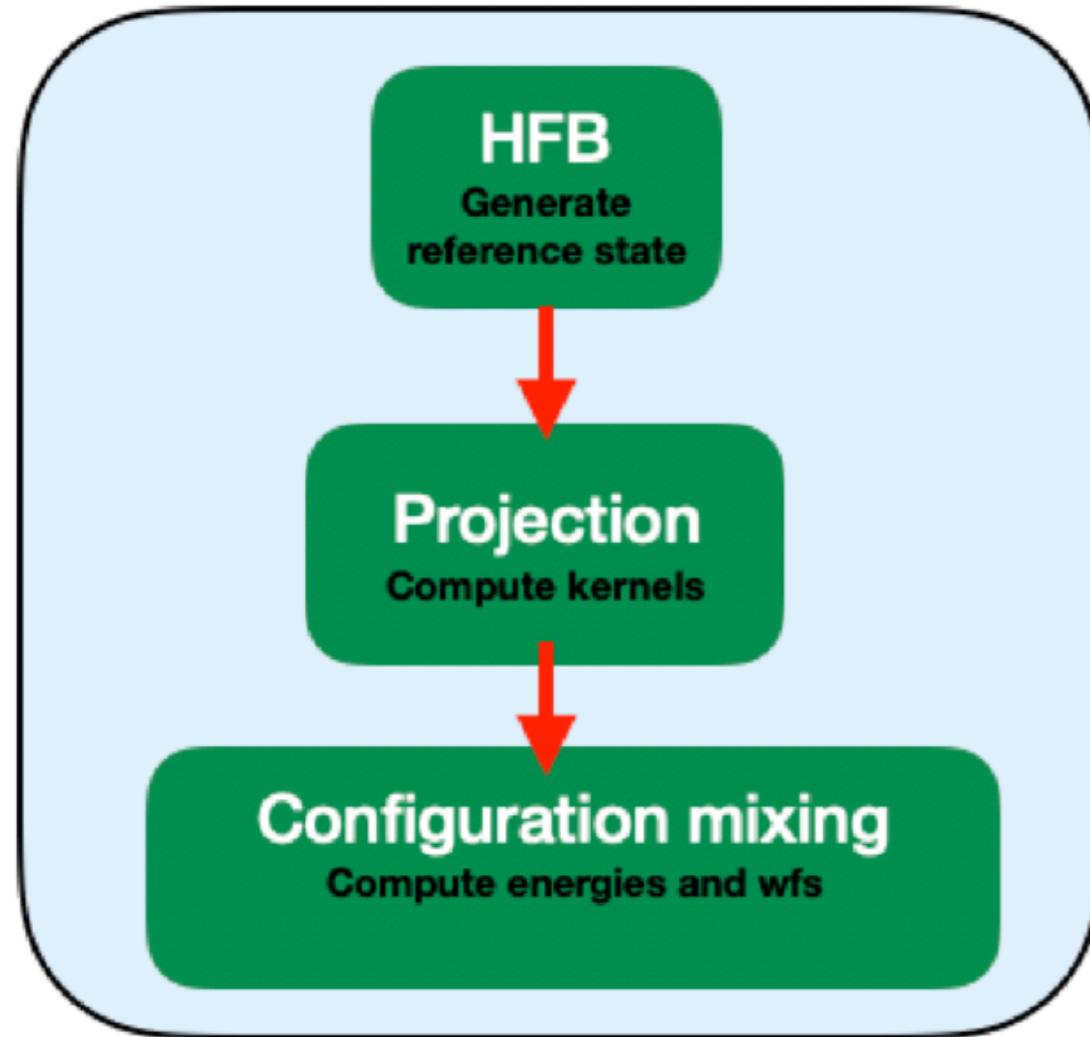
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- **and more in the near future ...**

**Thank you for your attention!**

# Generator coordinate method (GCM) in a nutshell



- The trial wave function of a GCM state

$$|\Phi^{JNZ\dots}\rangle = \sum_Q F_Q^{JNZ} \hat{P}^J \hat{P}^N \hat{P}^Z \dots |\Phi_Q\rangle$$

$|\Phi_Q\rangle$  are a set of HFB wave functions from constraint calculations,  $Q$  is the so-called generator coordinate.

- The mixing weight  $F_Q^{JNZ}$  is determined from the Hill-Wheeler-Griffin equation:

$$\sum_{Q'} \left[ H^{JNZ}(Q, Q') - E^J N^{JNZ}(Q, Q') \right] F_{Q'}^{JNZ} = 0$$

## Features (pros) of GCM

- The Hilbert space in which the  $H$  will be diagonalized is defined by the  $Q$ .  
**Many-body correlations are controlled by the  $Q$**
- The  $Q$  is chosen as (collective) degrees of freedom relevant to the physics.
- Dimension of the space in GCM is generally much smaller than full CI calculations.

# Optimization of GCM

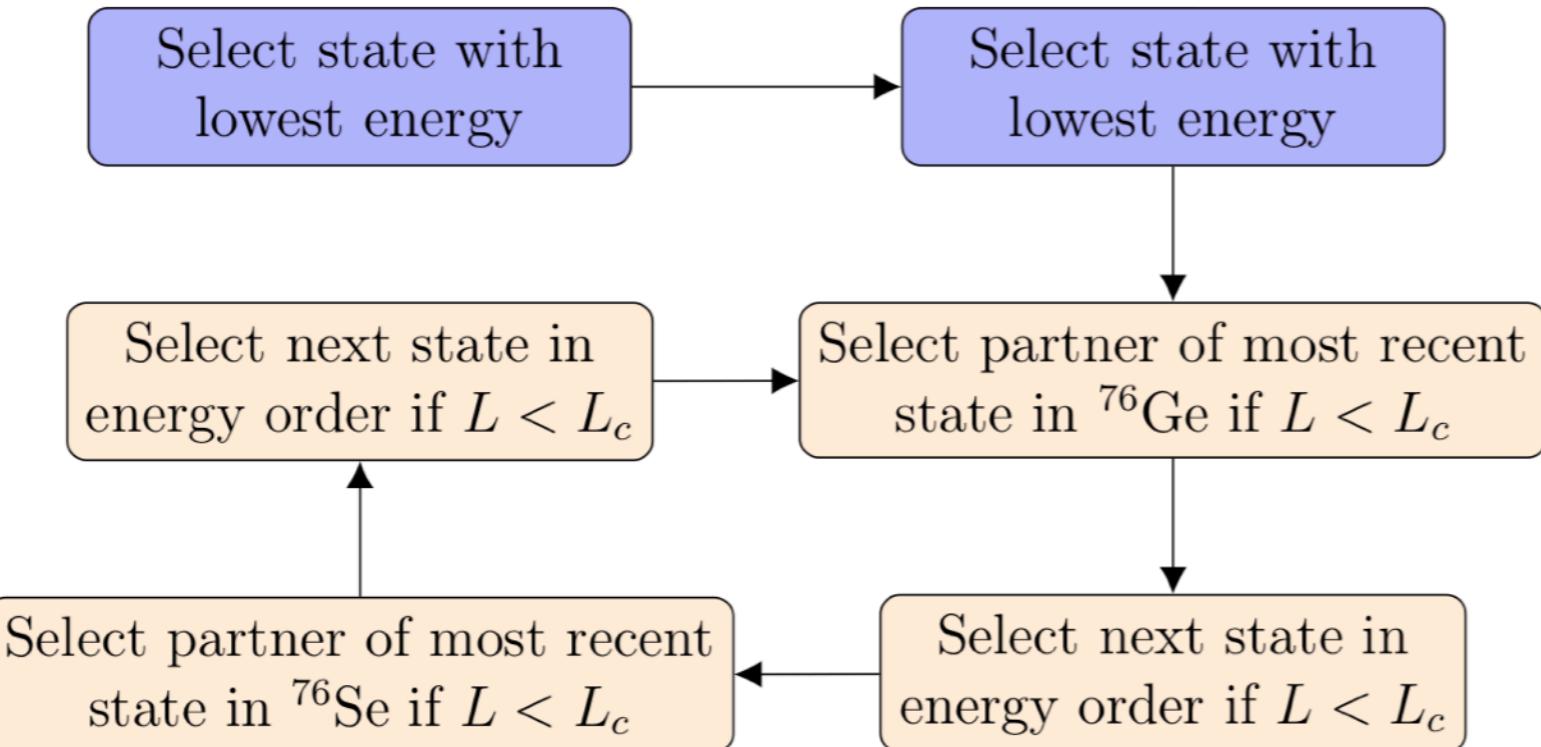
**“dimensionality curse” in GCM**

A.M. Romero, J. Engel, JMY, arXiv:2105.03471 [nucl-th]

N dimensional collective space  $Q=(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_N)$

- energy-transition-orthogonality procedure (ENTROP)

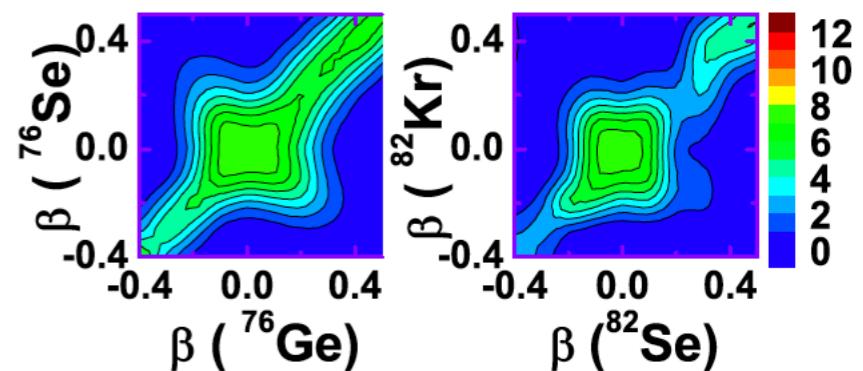
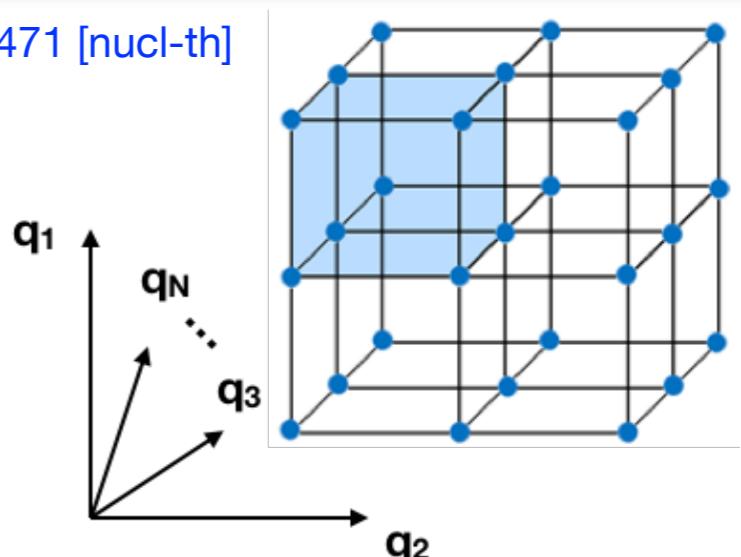
$^{76}\text{Ge}$        $^{76}\text{Se}$



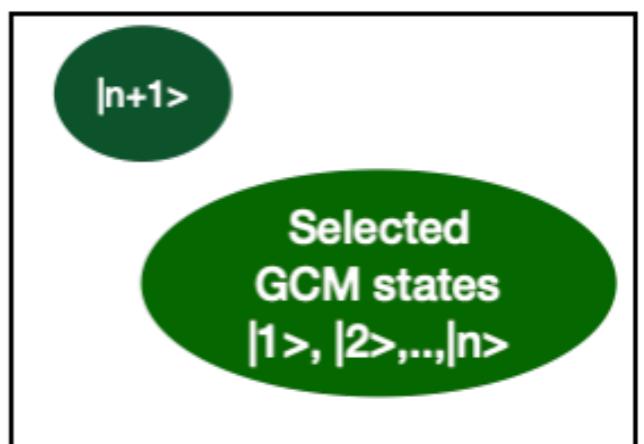
$$L = \frac{\langle n+1 | P^{(n)} | n+1 \rangle}{\langle n+1 | n+1 \rangle}$$

$$P^{(n)} |n+1\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i^{(n)} |i\rangle,$$

**L: a measure if the model space is complete or not.**



JMY, L. S. Song, K. Hagino, P. Ring, and J. Meng PRC91, 024316 (2015)



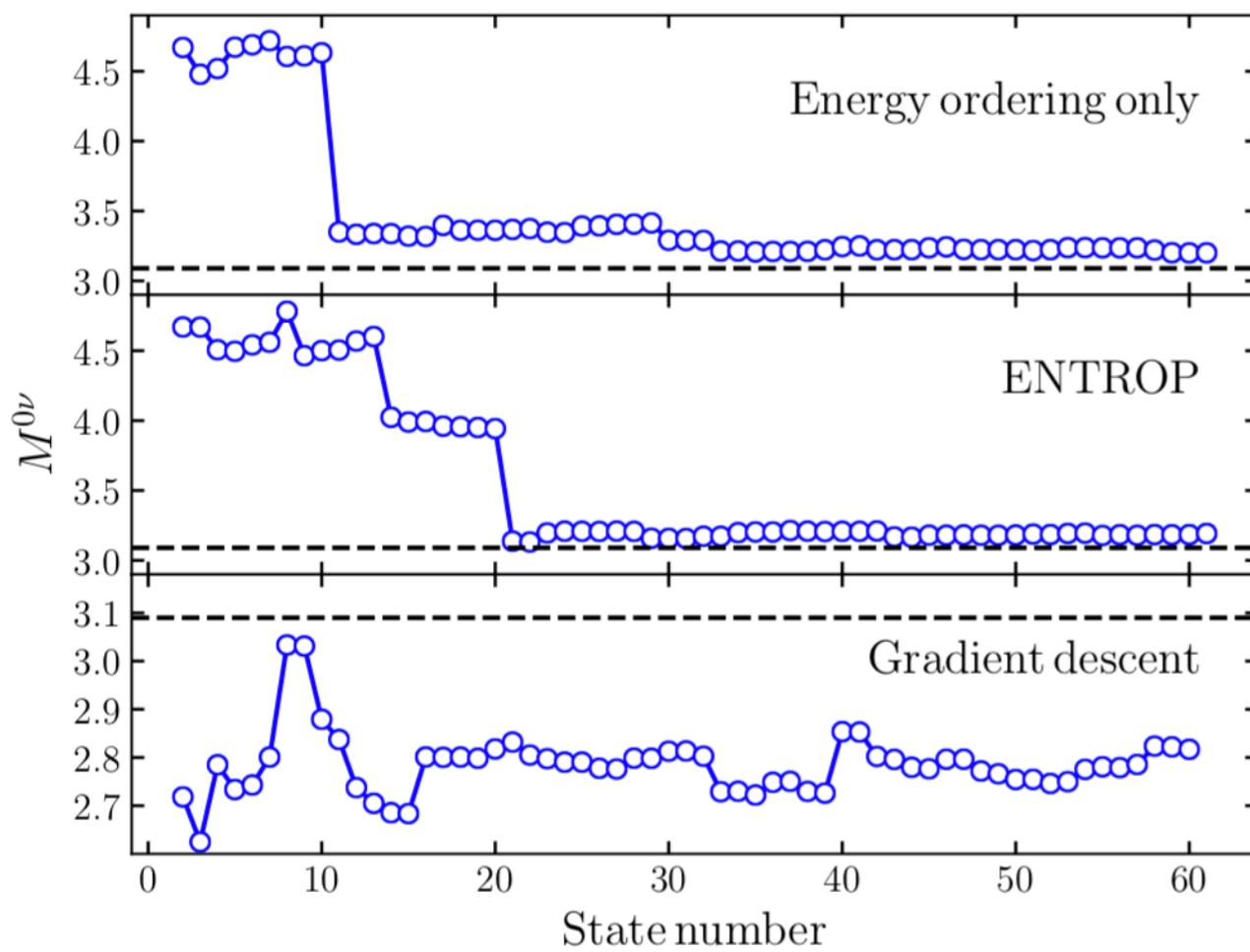
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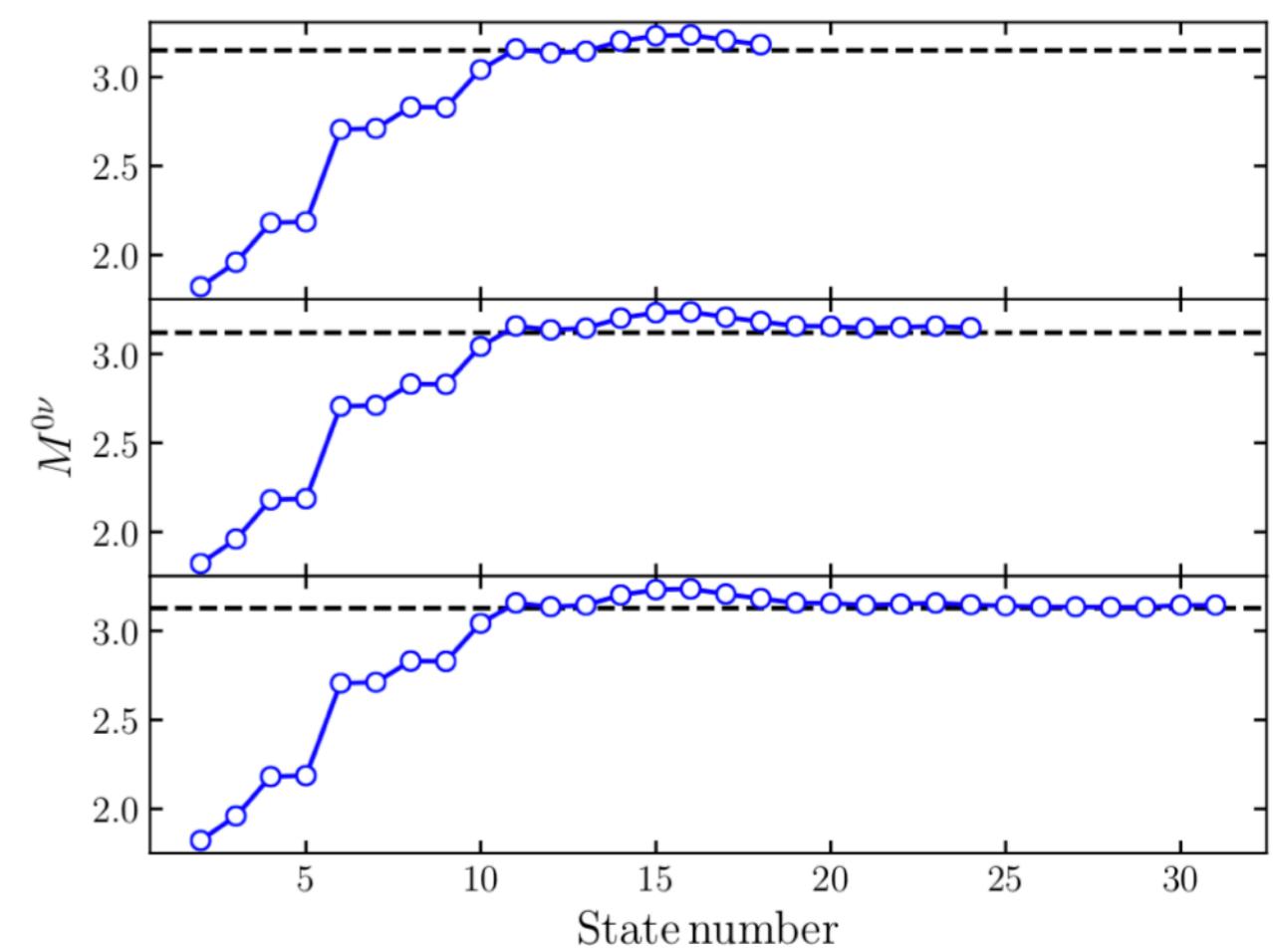
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GCM with shell-model interaction GCN2850



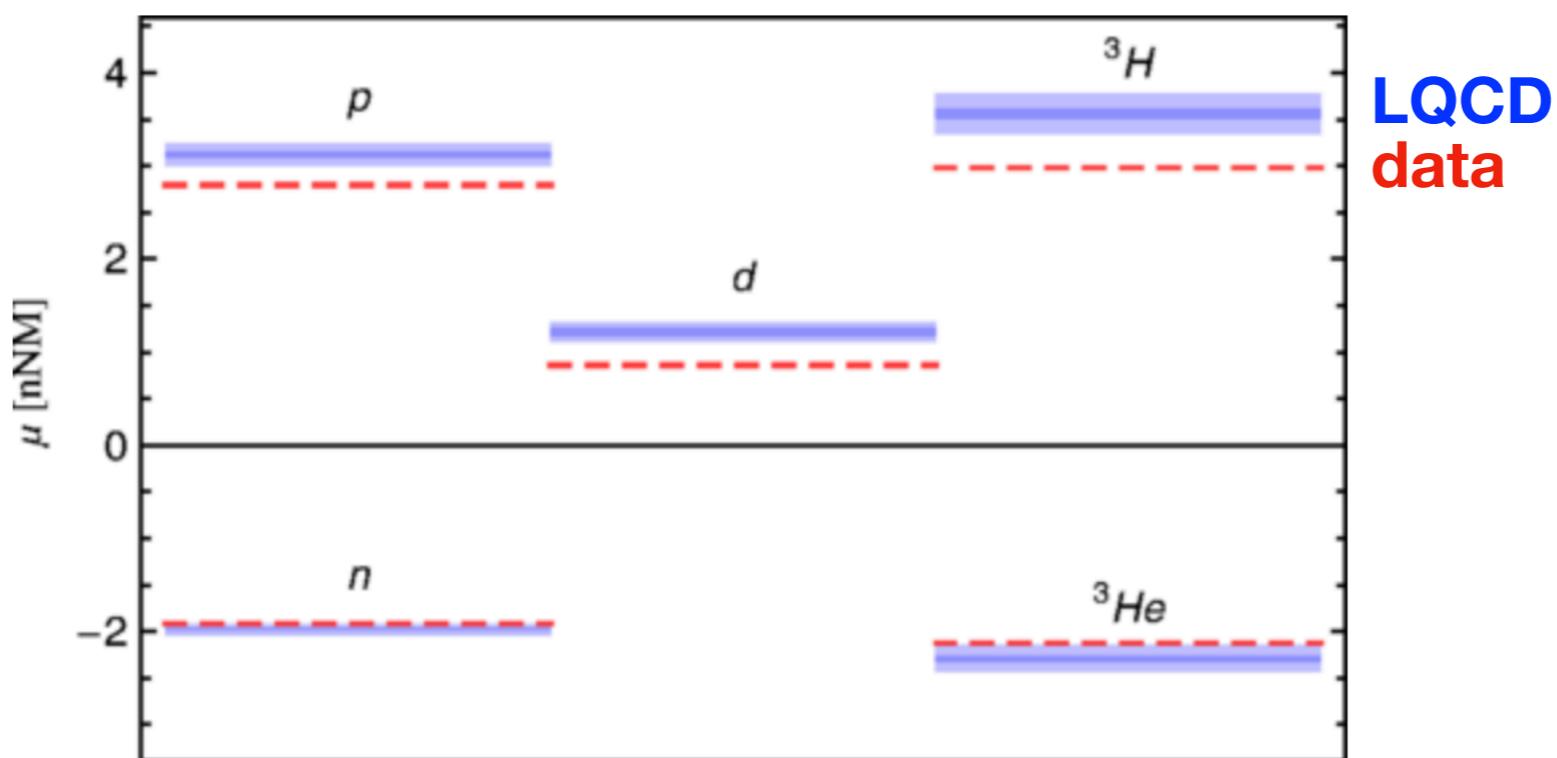
IM-GCM with a chiral nuclear force  
(eMax=6)

# Lattice QCD for nuclear structure

## Magnetic Moments of Light Nuclei from Lattice Quantum Chromodynamics

S. R. Beane, E. Chang, S. Cohen, W. Detmold, H. W. Lin, K. Orginos, A. Parreño, M. J. Savage, and B. C. Tiburzi  
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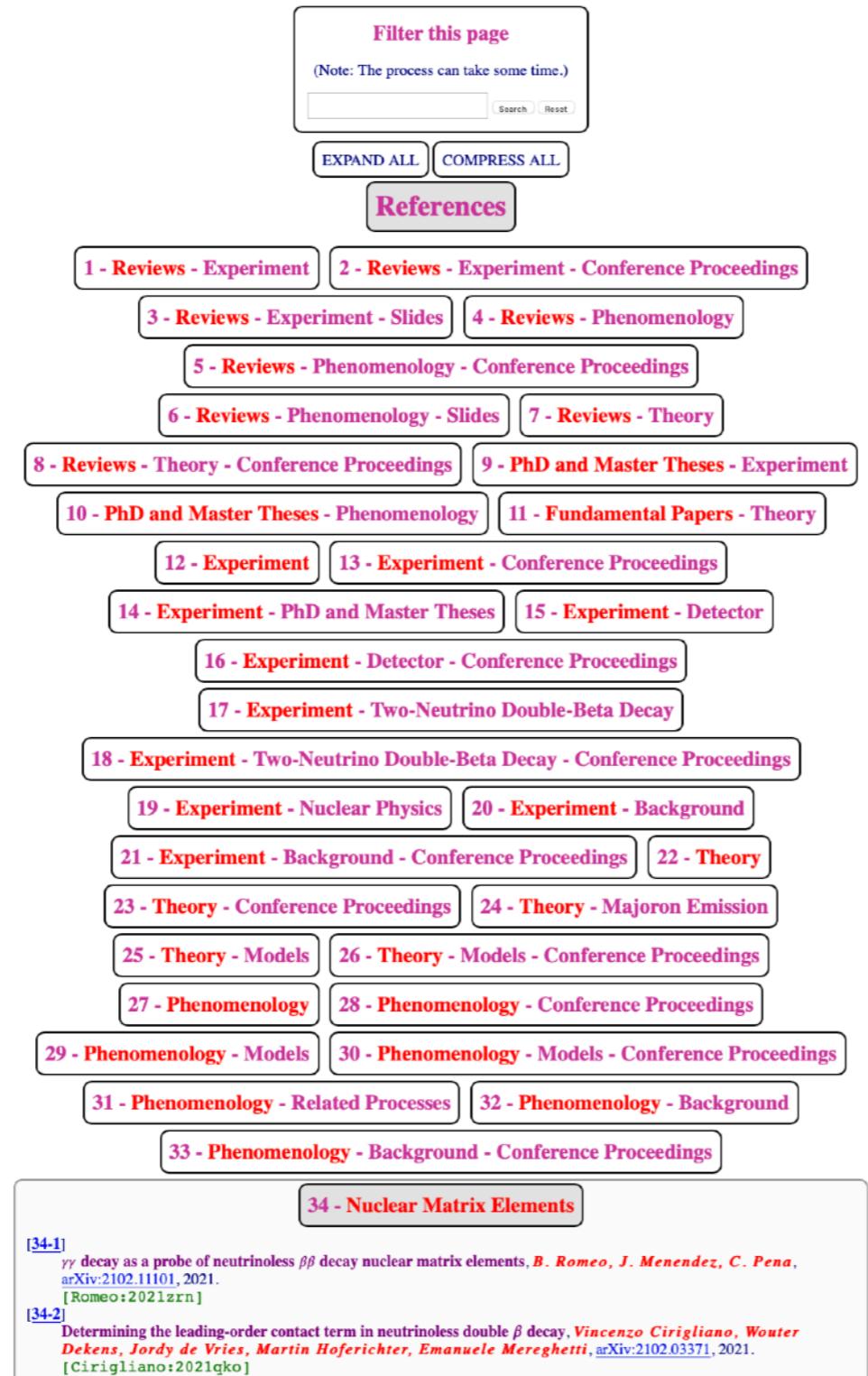
$m_\pi \sim 800\text{MeV}$ ,





# Advances in the studies of $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay

## Neutrinoless Double Beta Decay



# What is $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay?

## Effective Field Theories for $0\nu\beta\beta$

top-down: Integrate out and matching/running

