

# Nuclear Lattice Effective Field Theory

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## Other talks related to lattice effective field theory

Zhengyu Zhang

Three-body bound state of  $DD^*\bar{K}$  system in lattice effective field theory

Tuesday, September 24, 3:50 PM, China Hall 2

Bing-Nan Lu

Nuclear binding energies from a lattice regulated chiral EFT

Wednesday, September 25, 12:00 noon, China Hall 3

Myungkuk Kim

Neutron Dripline with Nuclear Lattice EFT

Thursday, September 26, 11:50 AM, Han Hall

Hang Yu

Nucleons in a finite volume: from ground states to the continuum

Thursday, September 26, 12:10 PM, Han Hall

Shihang Shen

Structure of Low-Lying States in Carbon-12 Using Nuclear Lattice Effective Field Theory

Thursday, September 26, 5:30 PM, China Hall 3

## Outline

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Essential elements of nuclear binding

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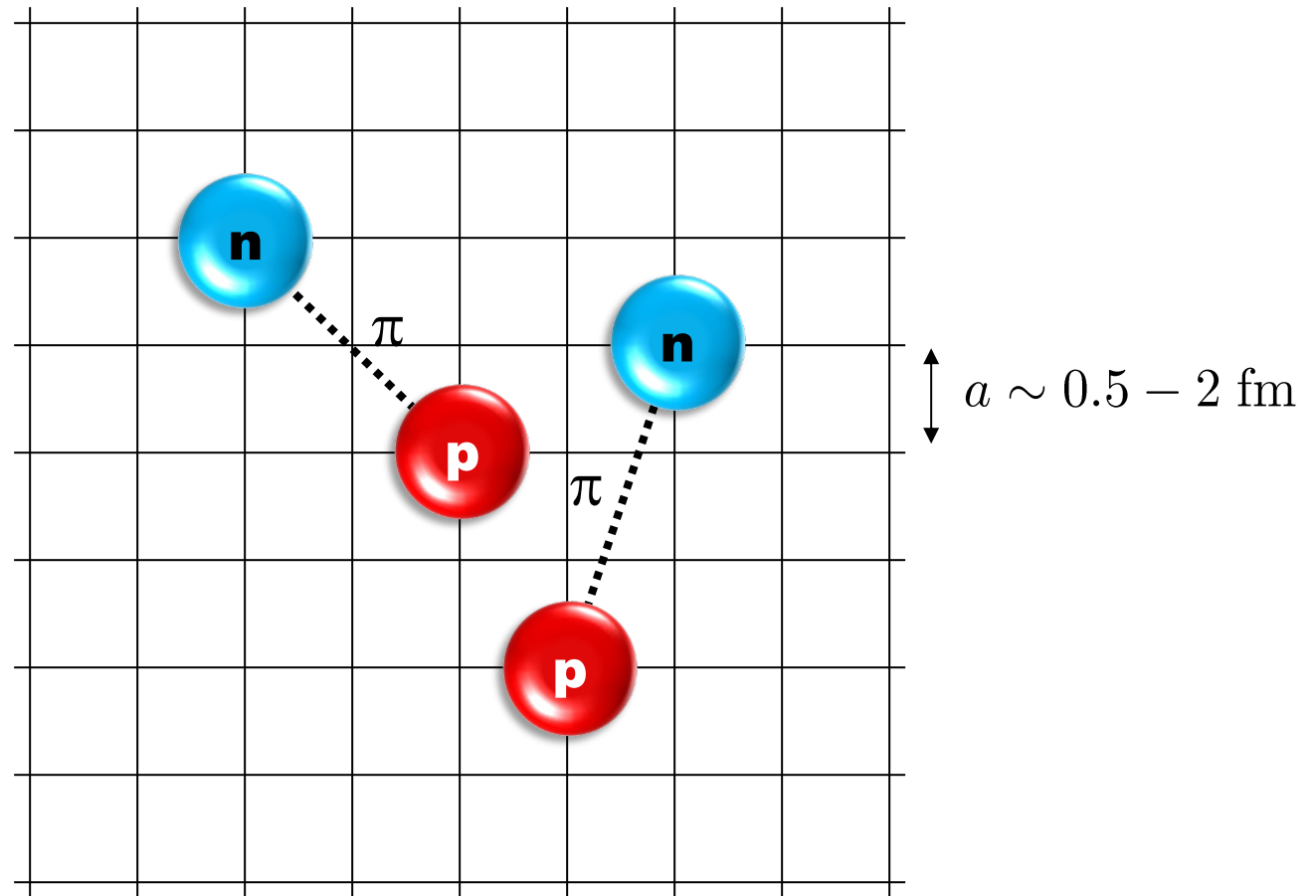
Emergent geometry and duality of  $^{12}\text{C}$

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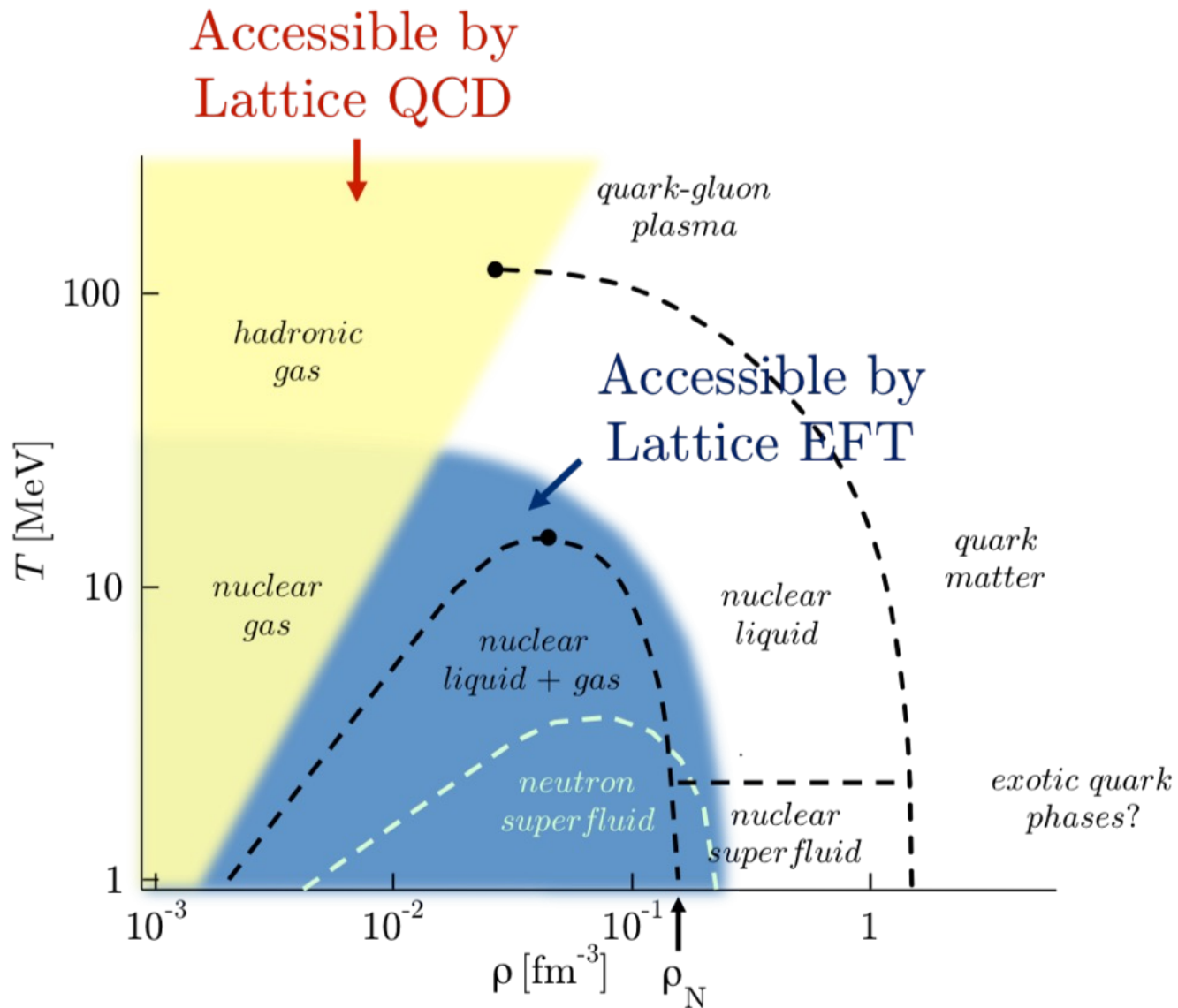
Summary and outlook

# Lattice effective field theory



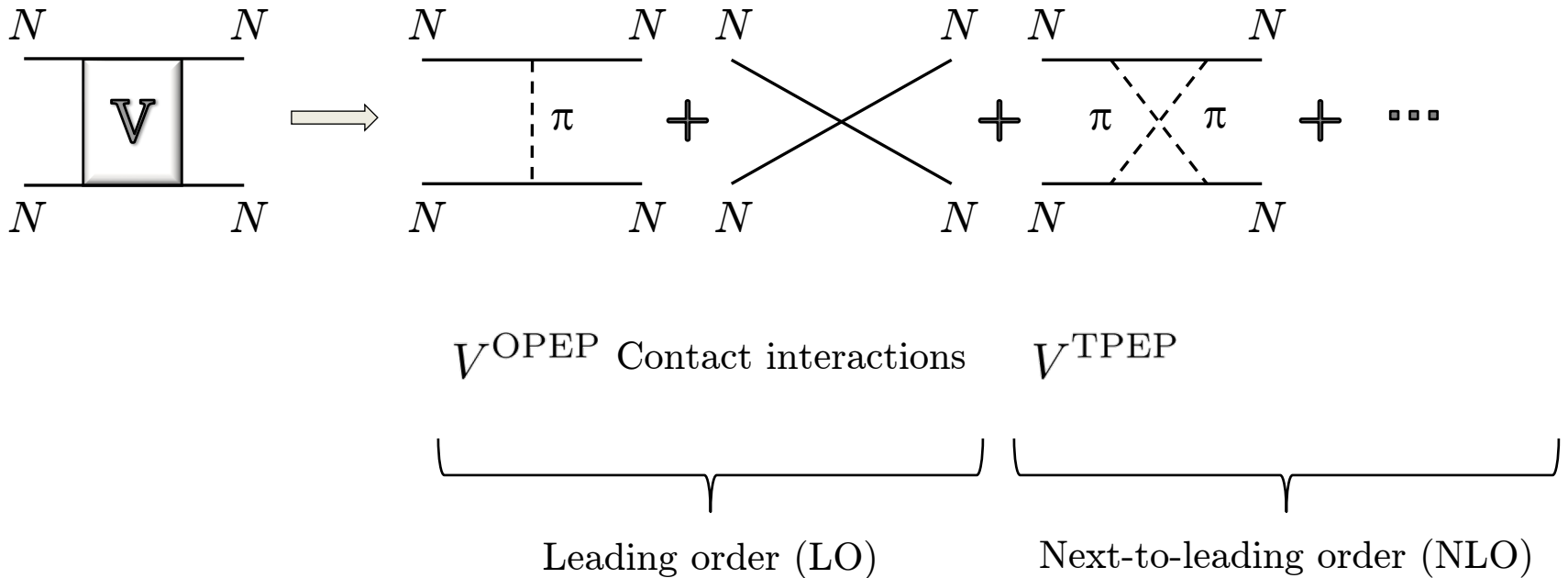
D.L, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 63 117-154 (2009)

Lähde, Meißner, Nuclear Lattice Effective Field Theory (2019), Springer

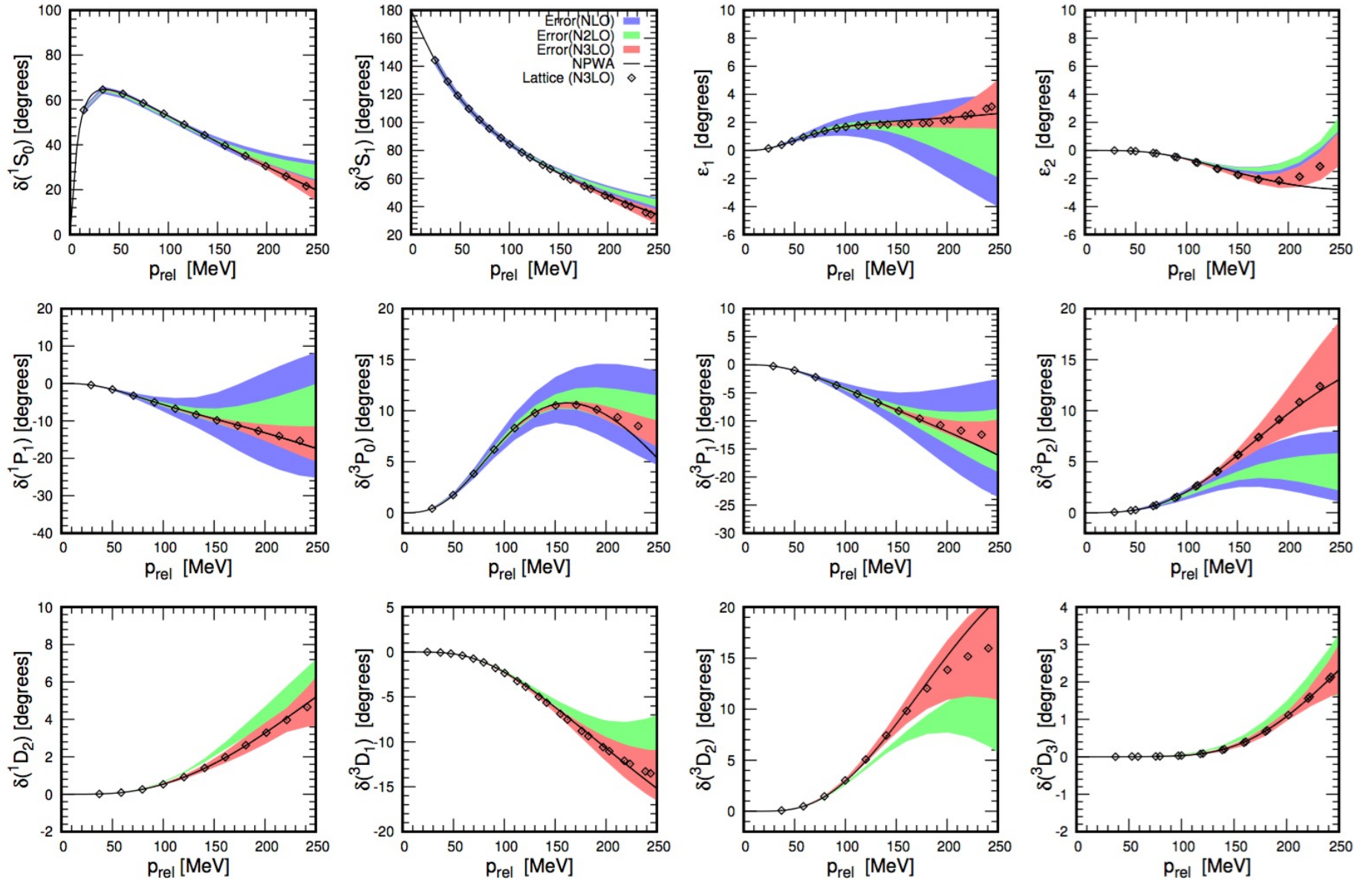


# Chiral effective field theory

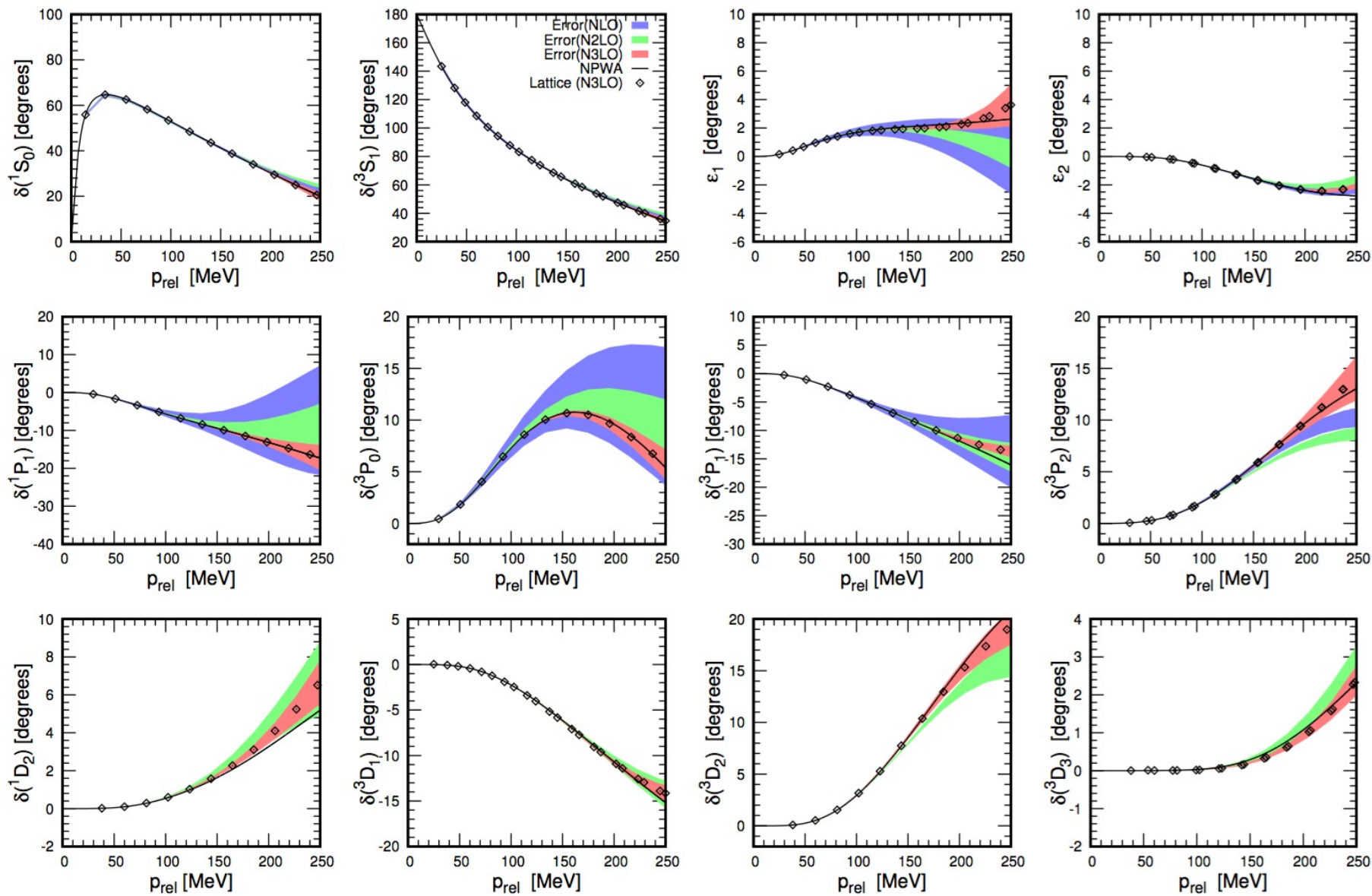
Construct the effective potential order by order



$$a = 1.315 \text{ fm}$$

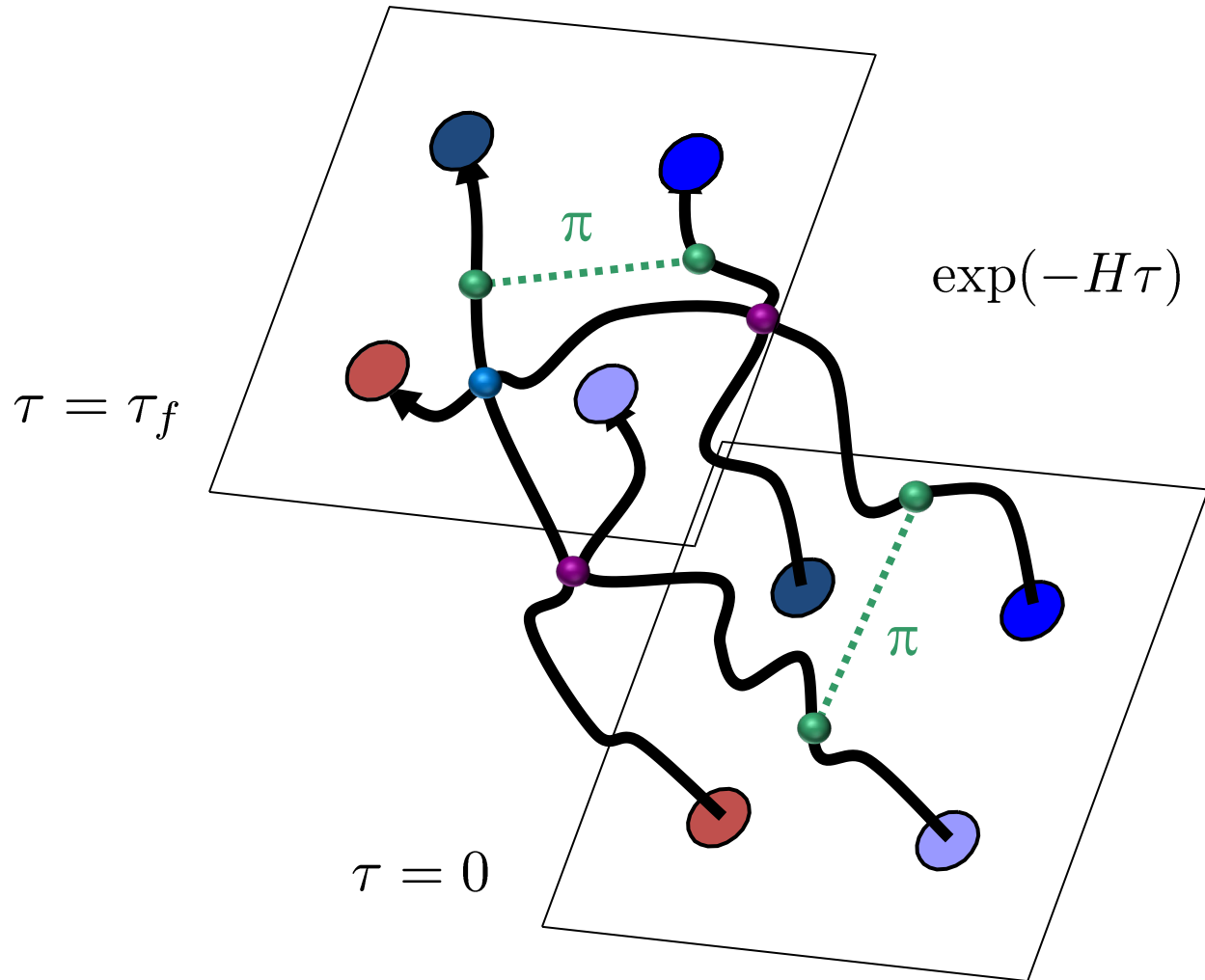


$a = 0.987 \text{ fm}$





# Euclidean time projection

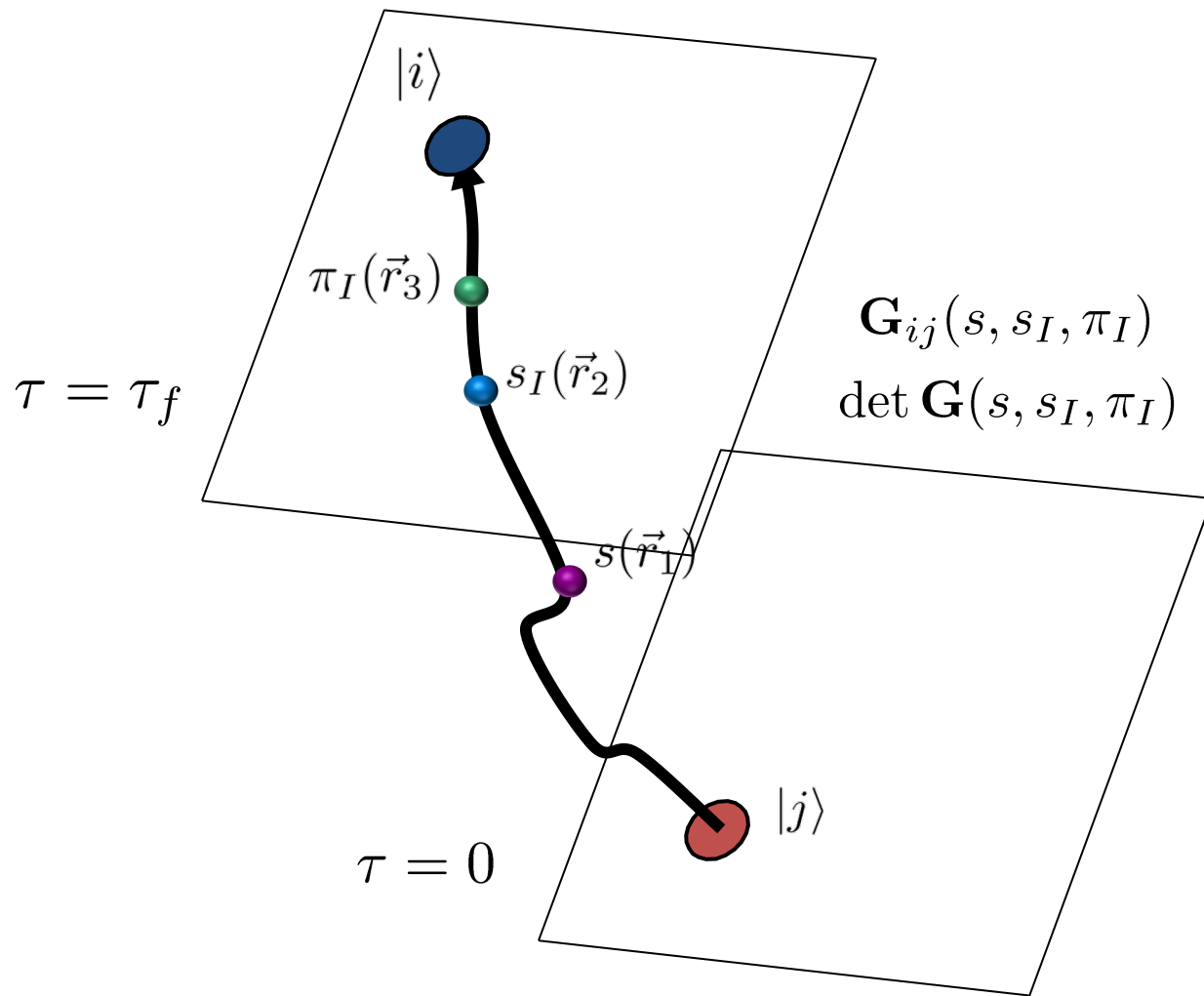


## Auxiliary field method

We can write exponentials of the interaction using a Gaussian integral identity

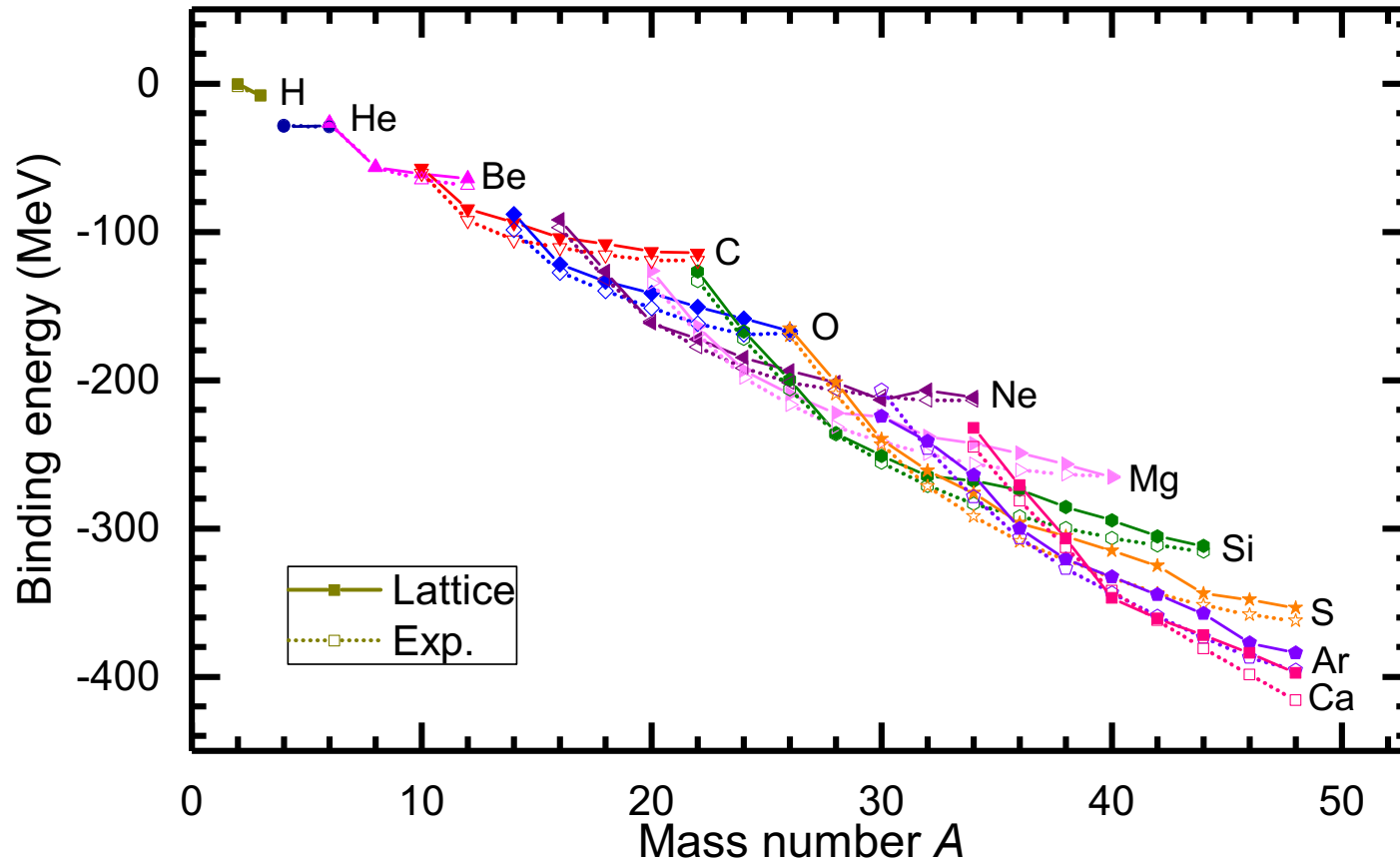
$$\exp \left[ -\frac{C}{2} (N^\dagger N)^2 \right] \quad \times \quad (N^\dagger N)^2$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} ds \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} s^2 + \sqrt{-C} s (N^\dagger N) \right] \quad \rangle \quad s N^\dagger N$$

We remove the interaction between nucleons and replace it with the interactions of each nucleon with a background field.

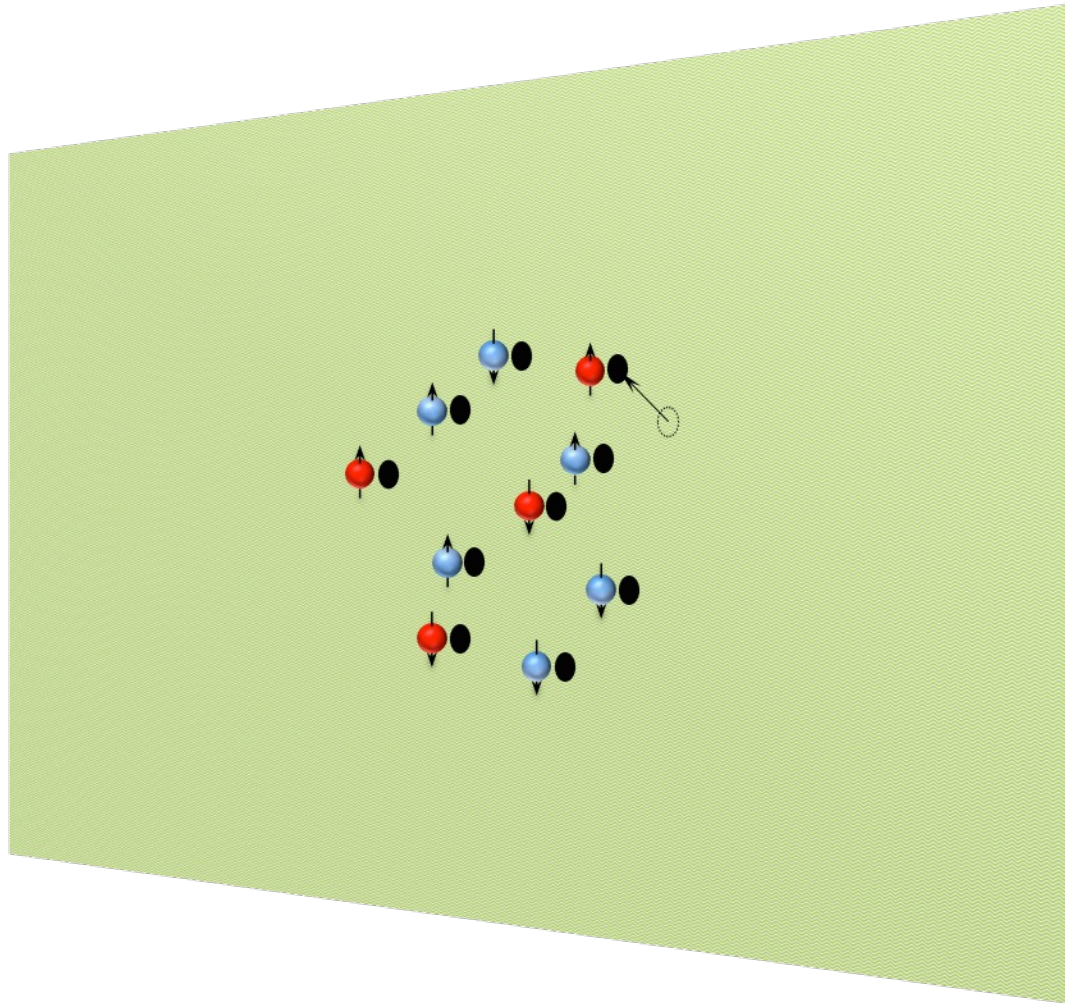


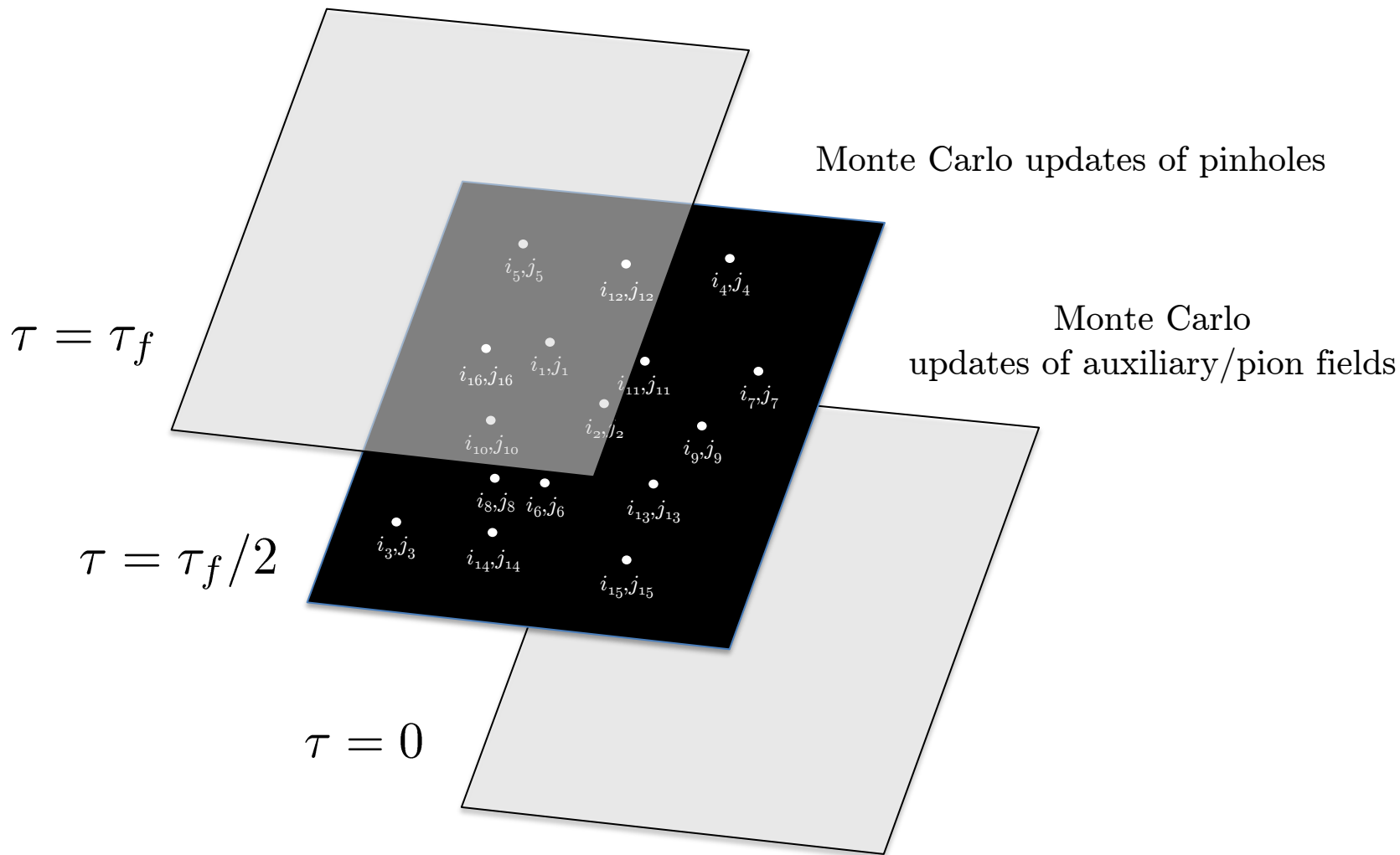
## Essential elements for nuclear binding

$$H = H_{\text{free}} + \frac{1}{2!} C_2 \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \tilde{\rho}(\mathbf{n})^2 + \frac{1}{3!} C_3 \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \tilde{\rho}(\mathbf{n})^3 + V_{\text{Coulomb}}$$

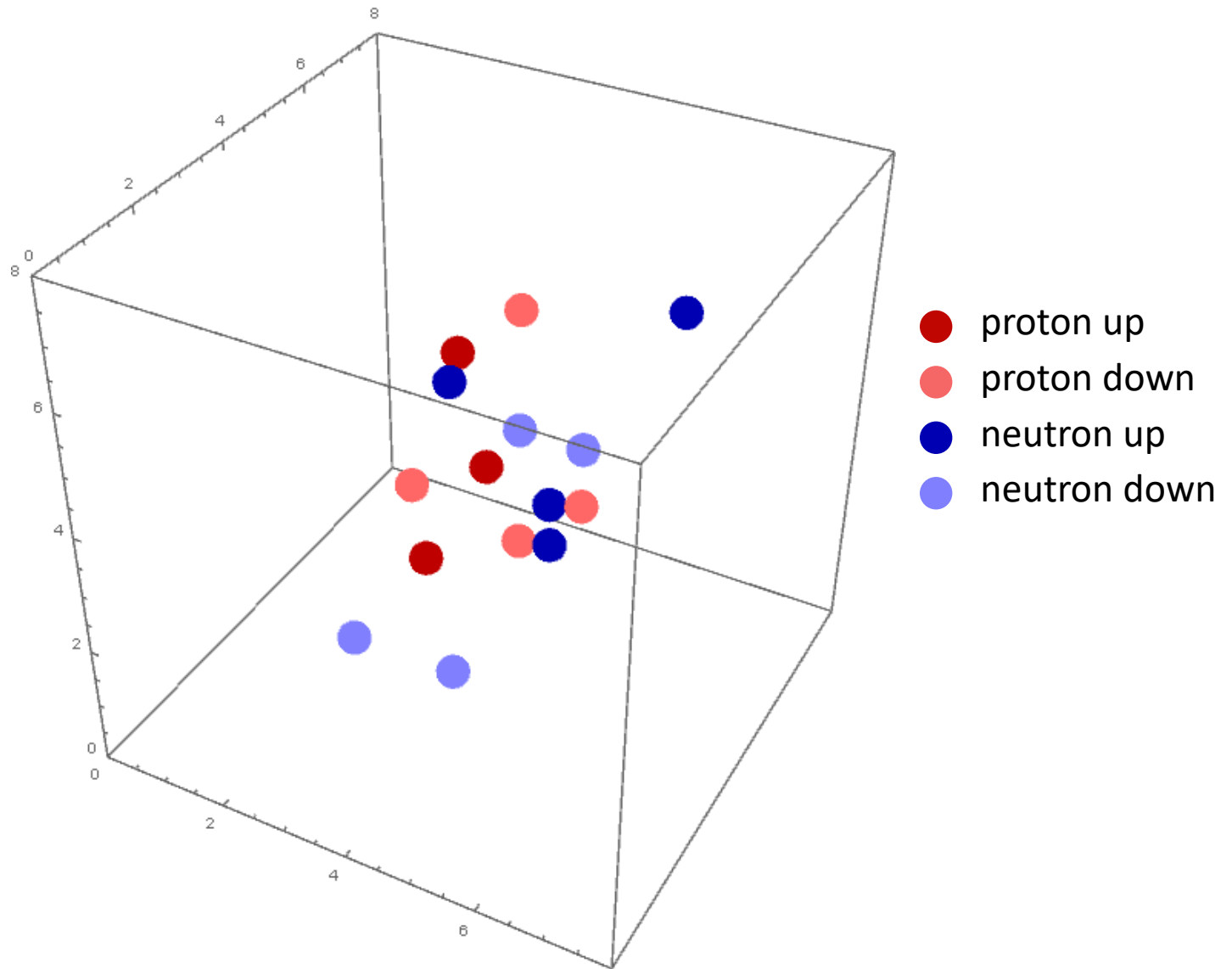


# Pinhole algorithm



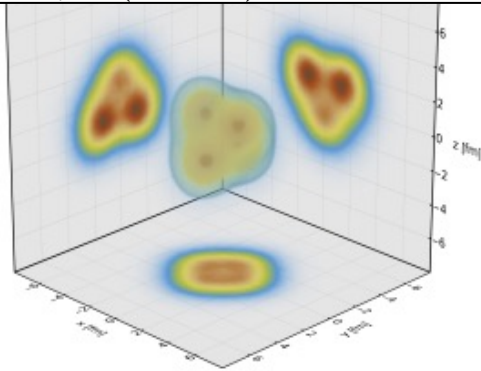


$^{16}\text{O}$

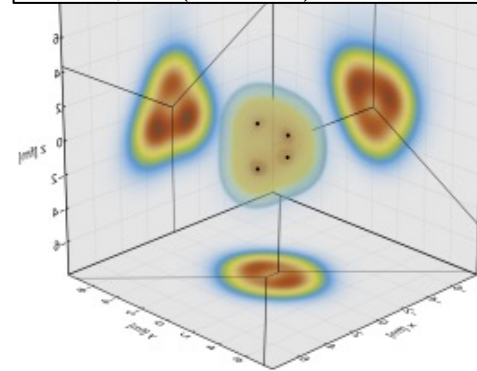


Relativistic heavy collisions:  $^{16}\text{O}^{16}\text{O}$  versus  $^{20}\text{Ne}^{20}\text{Ne}$

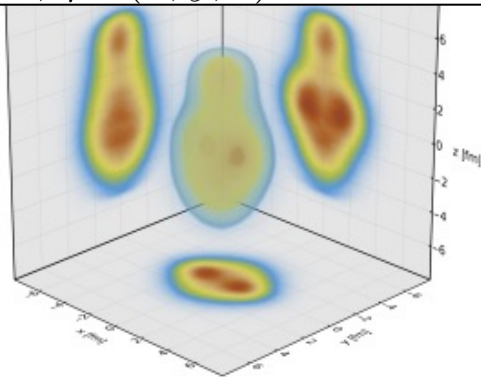
$^{16}\text{O}, \rho_m(x, y, z) - \text{NLEFT}$



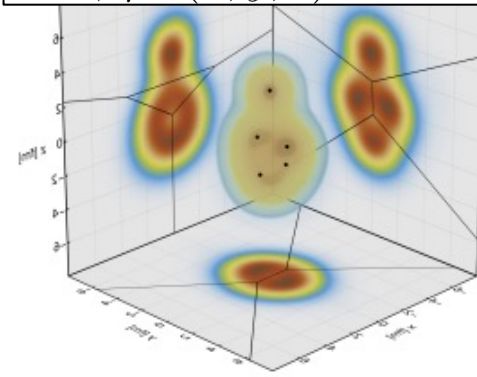
$^{16}\text{O}, \rho_m(x, y, z) - \text{PGCM}$



$^{20}\text{Ne}, \rho_m(x, y, z) - \text{NLEFT}$



$^{20}\text{Ne}, \rho_m(x, y, z) - \text{PGCM}$

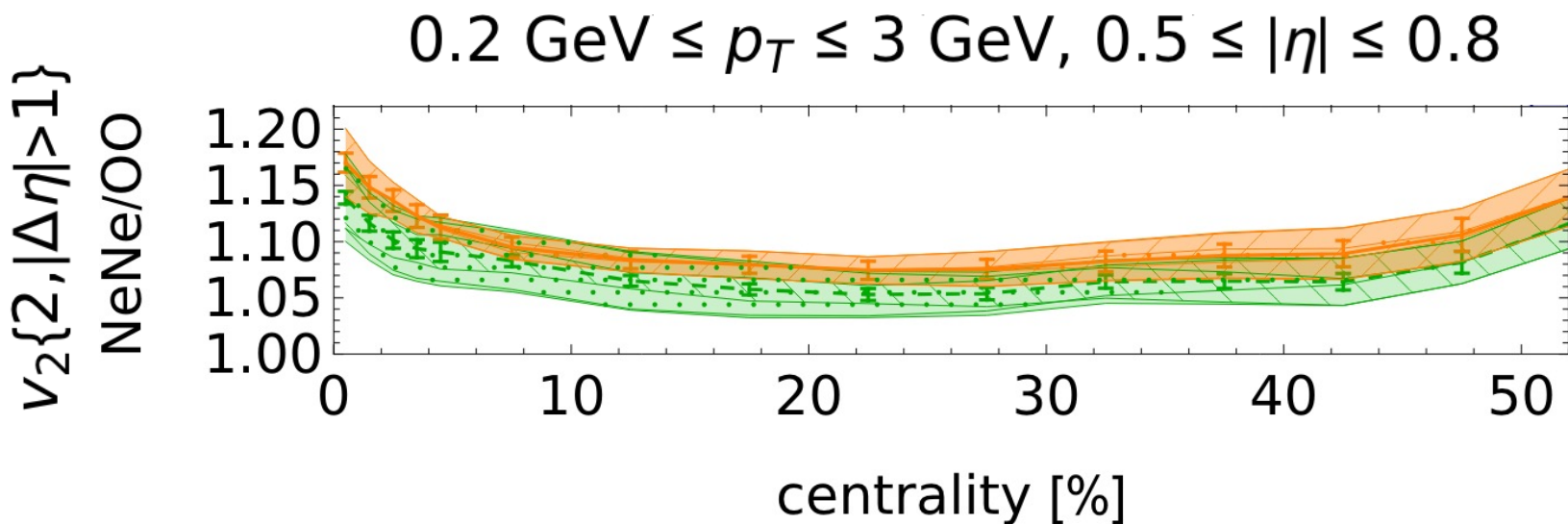




For the 1% most central events, the elliptic flow of  $^{20}\text{Ne}^{20}\text{Ne}$  collisions relative to  $^{16}\text{O}^{16}\text{O}$  collisions is enhanced by as much as

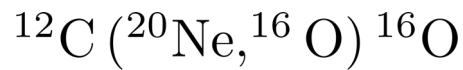
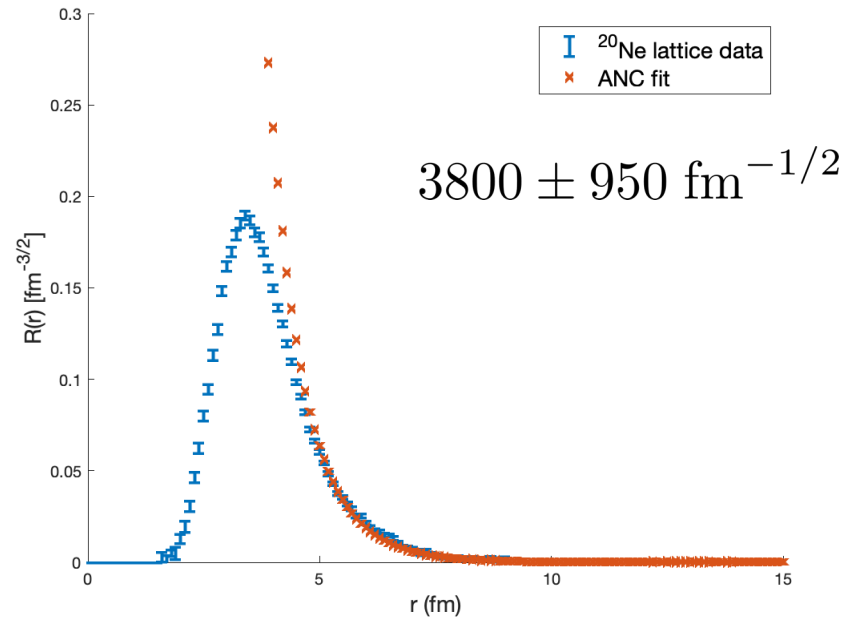
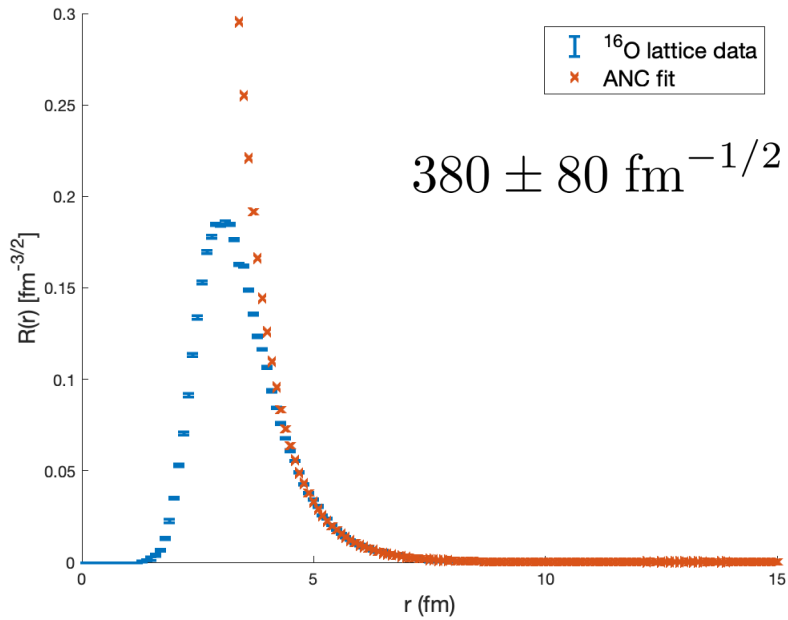
1.170(8)stat.(30)syst. for NLEFT

1.139(6)stat.(39)syst. for PGCM



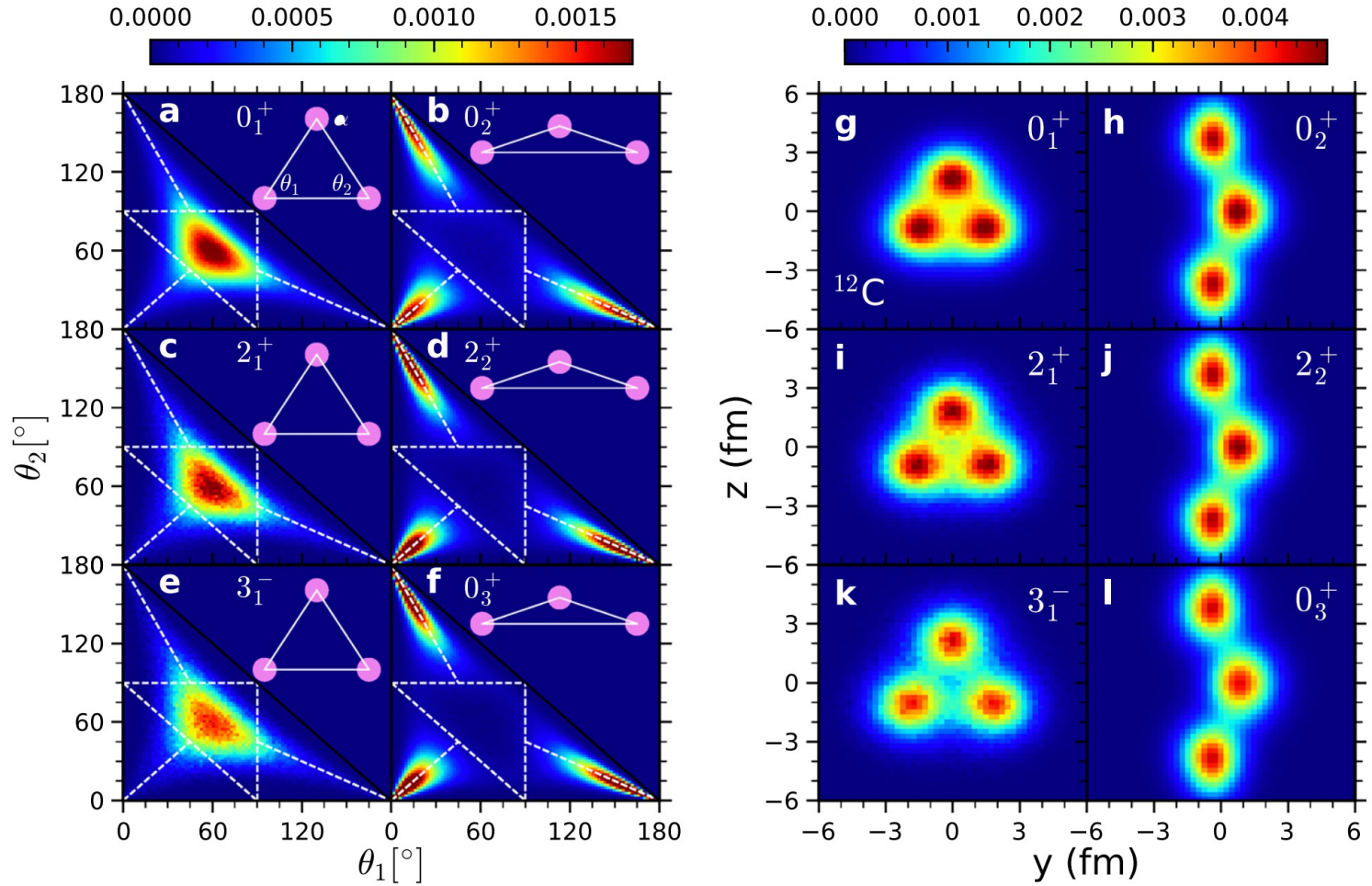
Giacalone et al., arXiv:2402.05995

# Asymptotic normalization coefficients

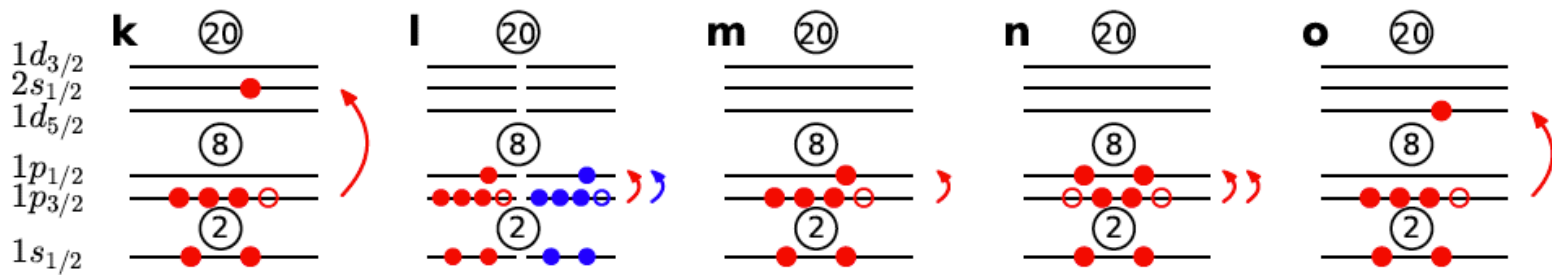
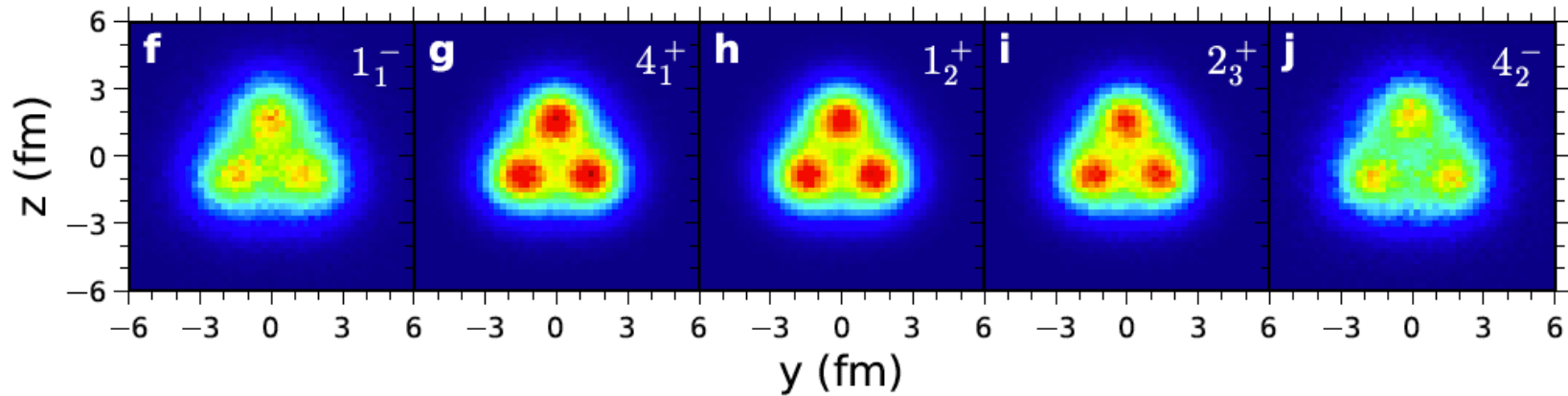


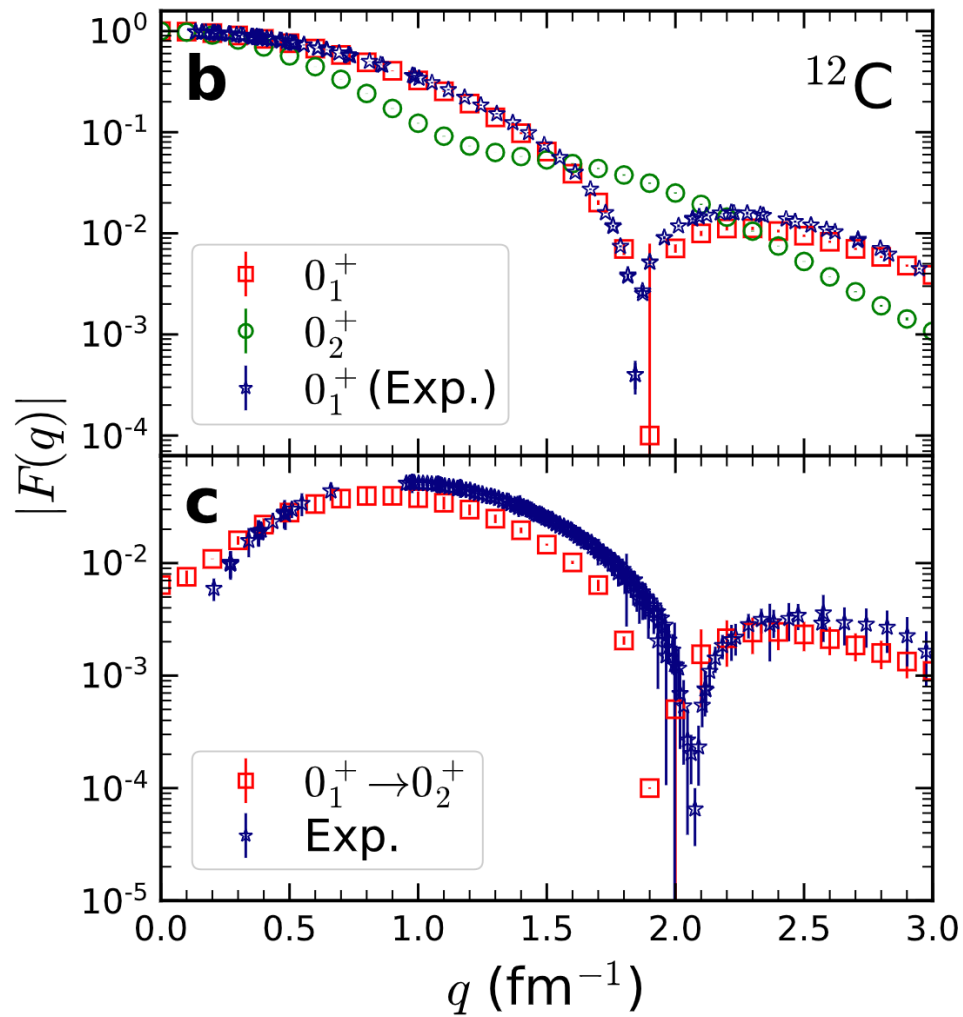
E. Harris et al., work in progress

# Emergent geometry and duality of $^{12}\text{C}$

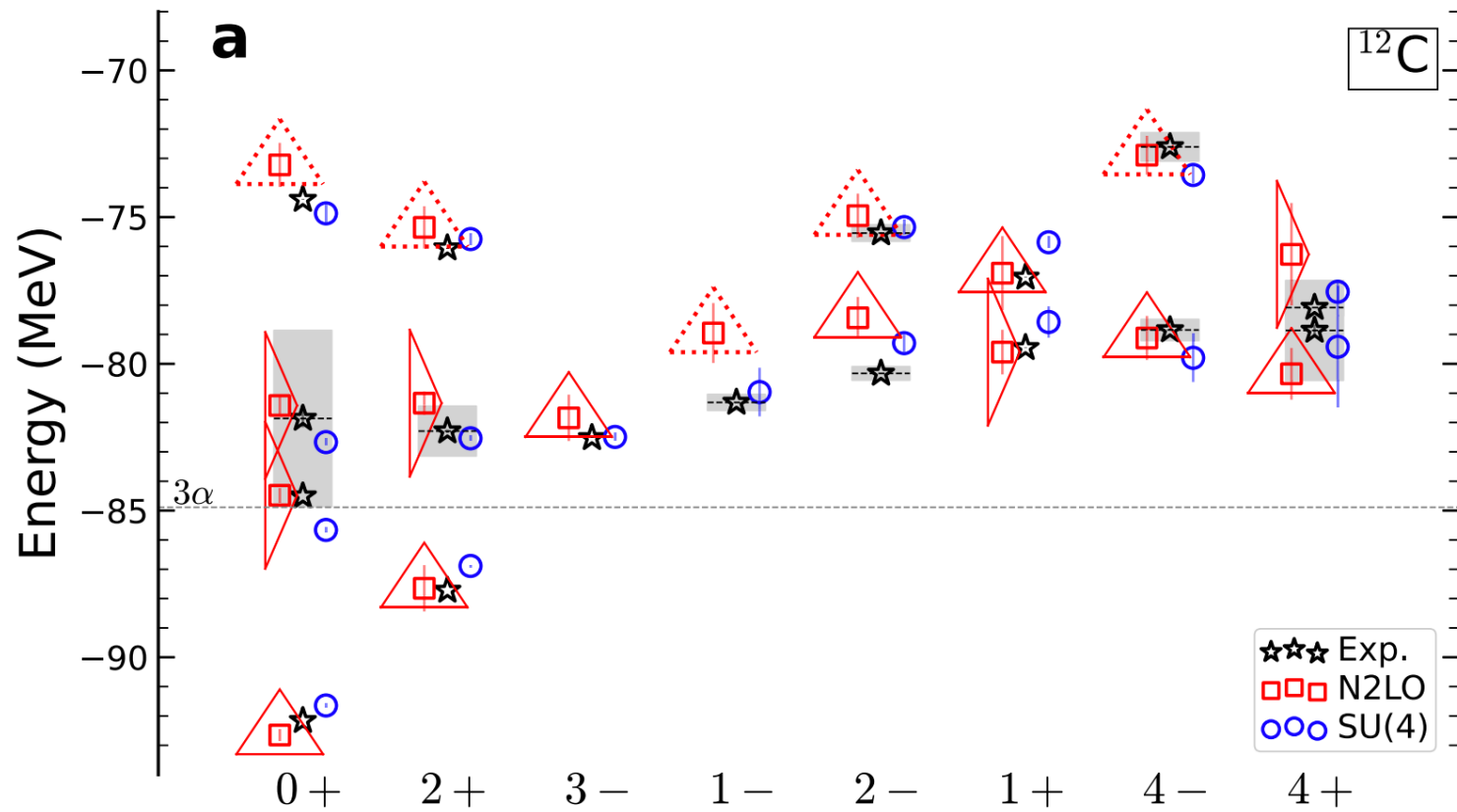


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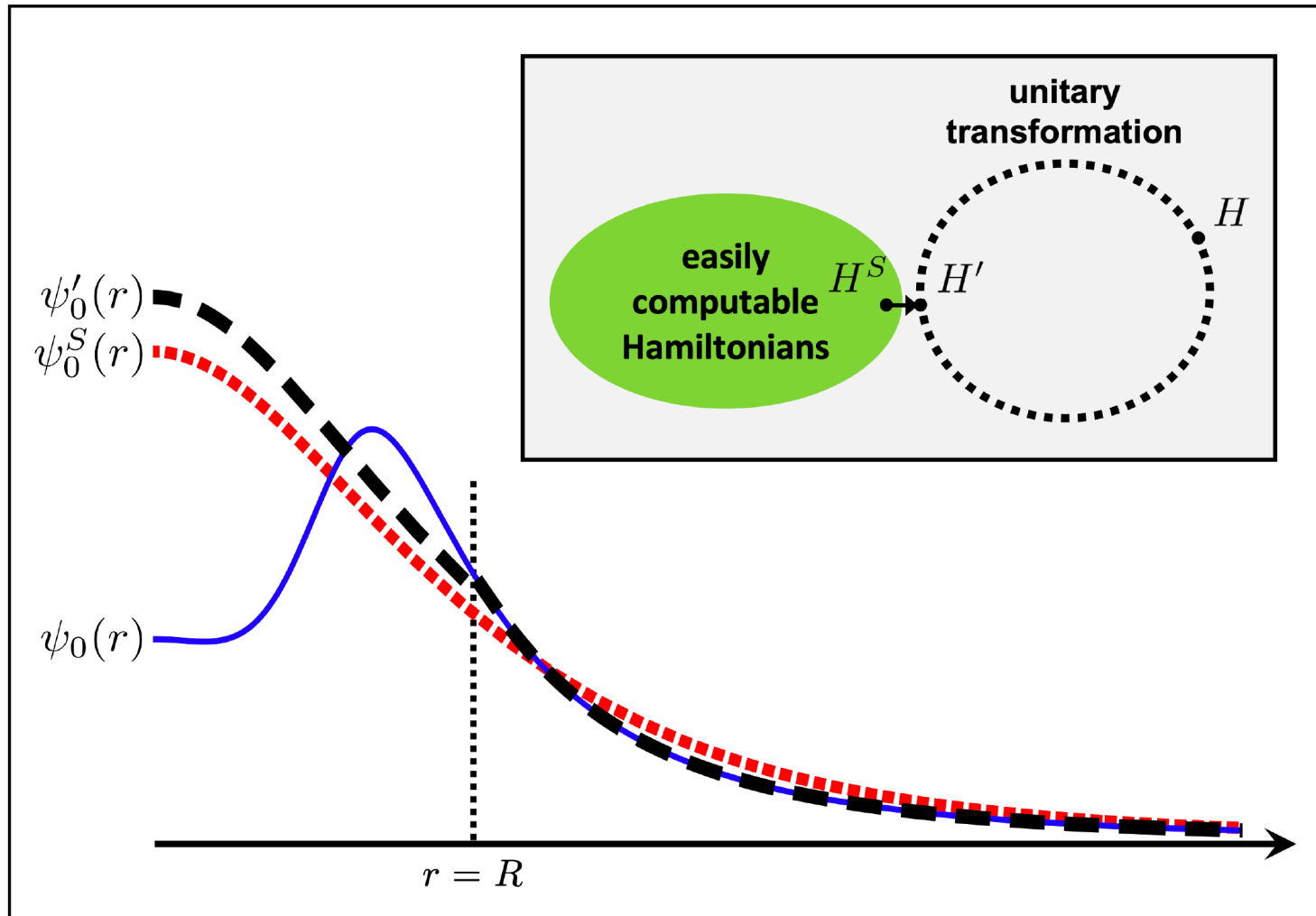


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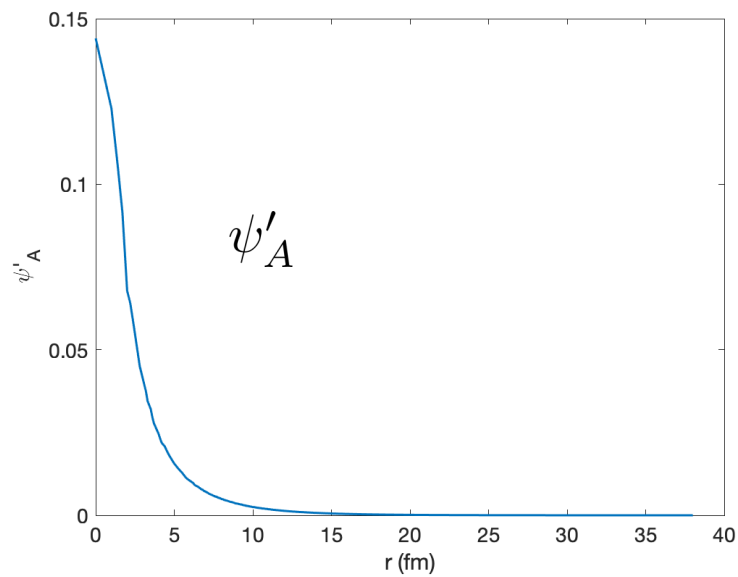
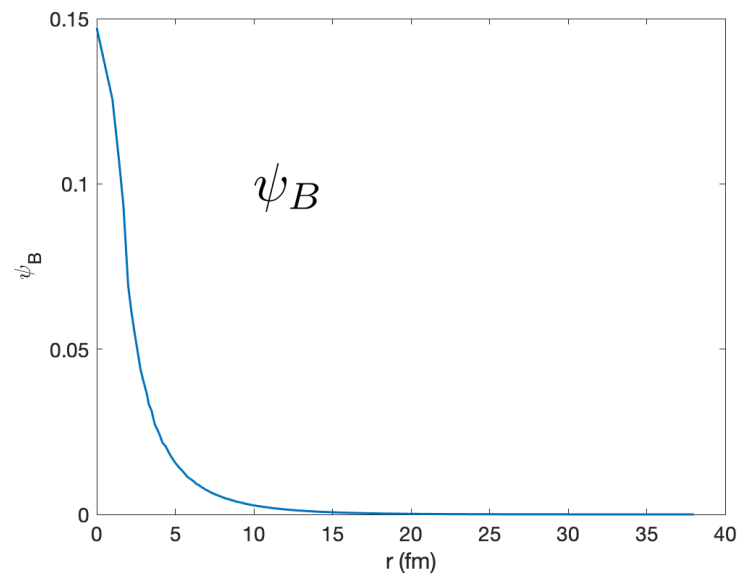
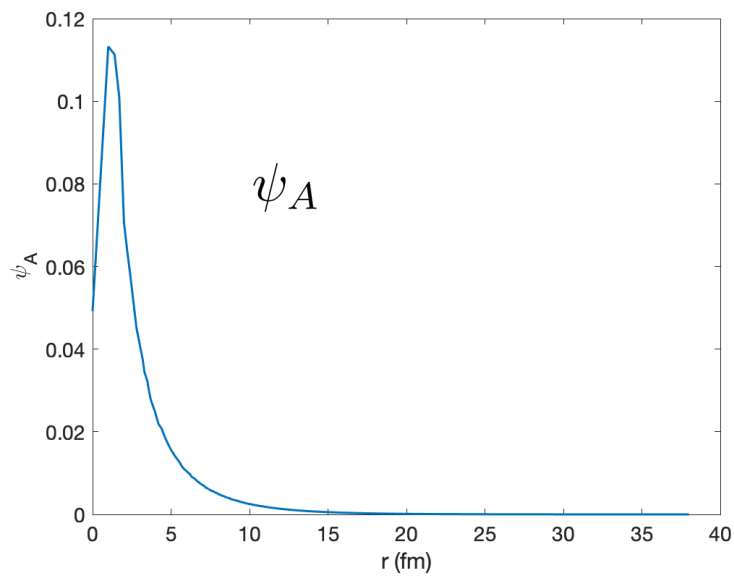
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# Wavefunction matching



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# Ground state wavefunctions





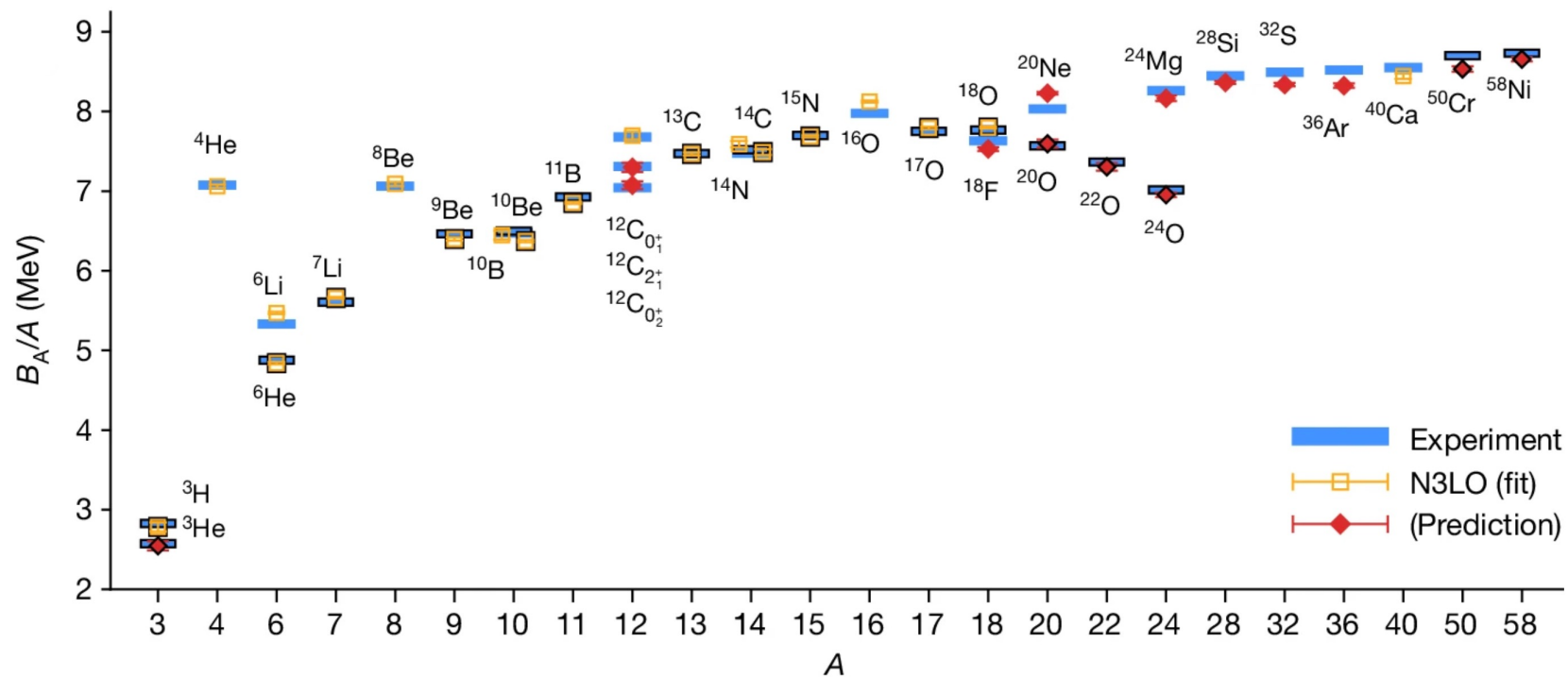
Try to compute the energies of  $H_A$  using the eigenfunctions of  $H_B$  and first-order perturbation theory. This doesn't work.

$E_{A,n} = E'_{A,n}$ (MeV)	$\langle \psi_{B,n}   H_A   \psi_{B,n} \rangle$ (MeV)
-1.2186	3.0088
0.2196	0.3289
0.8523	1.1275
1.8610	2.2528
3.2279	3.6991
4.9454	5.4786
7.0104	7.5996
9.4208	10.0674
12.1721	12.8799
15.2669	16.0458

Use wavefunction matching first to transform the Hamiltonian. Then the convergence of perturbation theory is much faster.

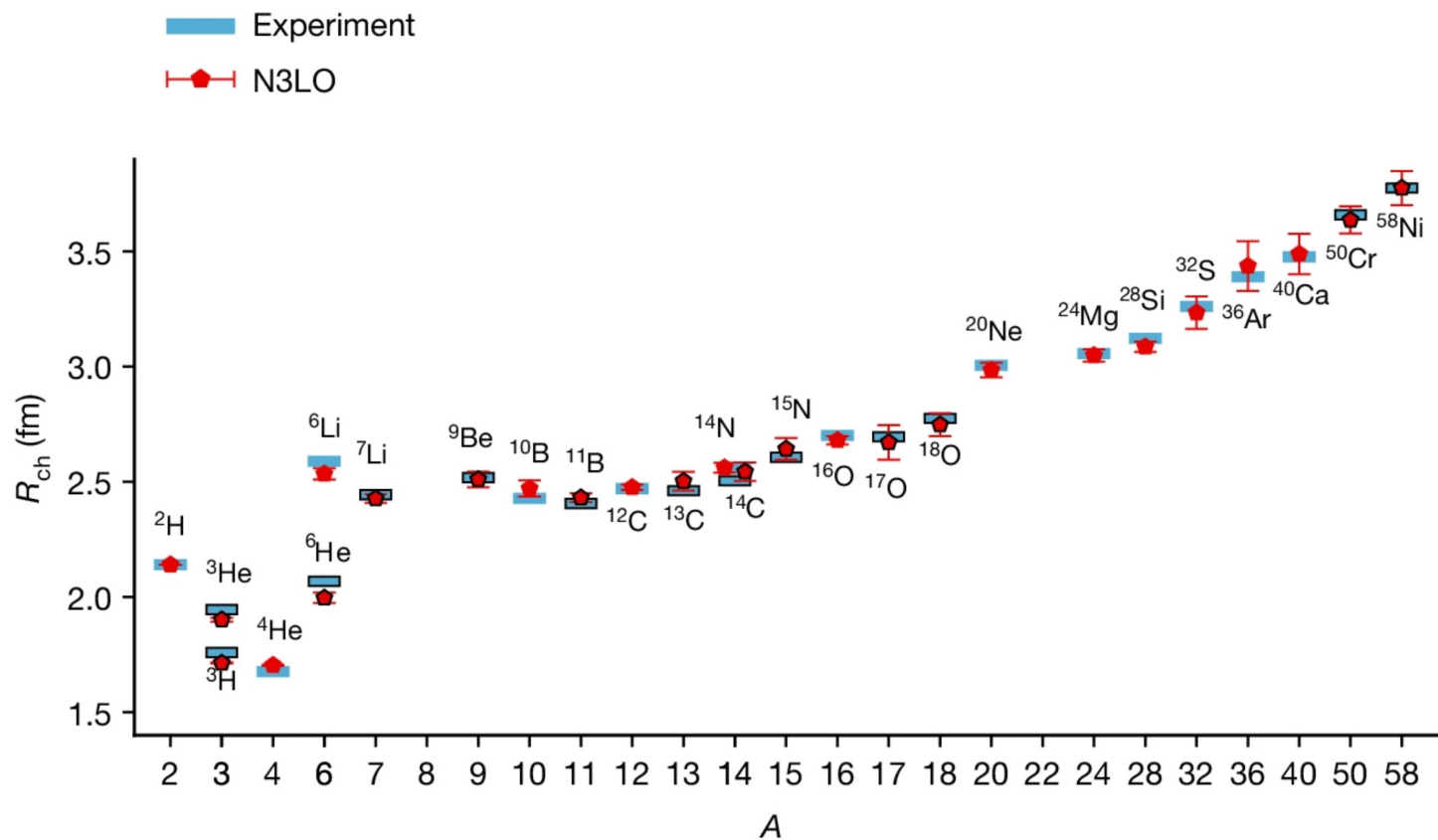
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4.9454	5.4786	4.9798
7.0104	7.5996	7.0680
9.4208	10.0674	9.5137
12.1721	12.8799	12.3163
15.2669	16.0458	15.4840

## Binding energies



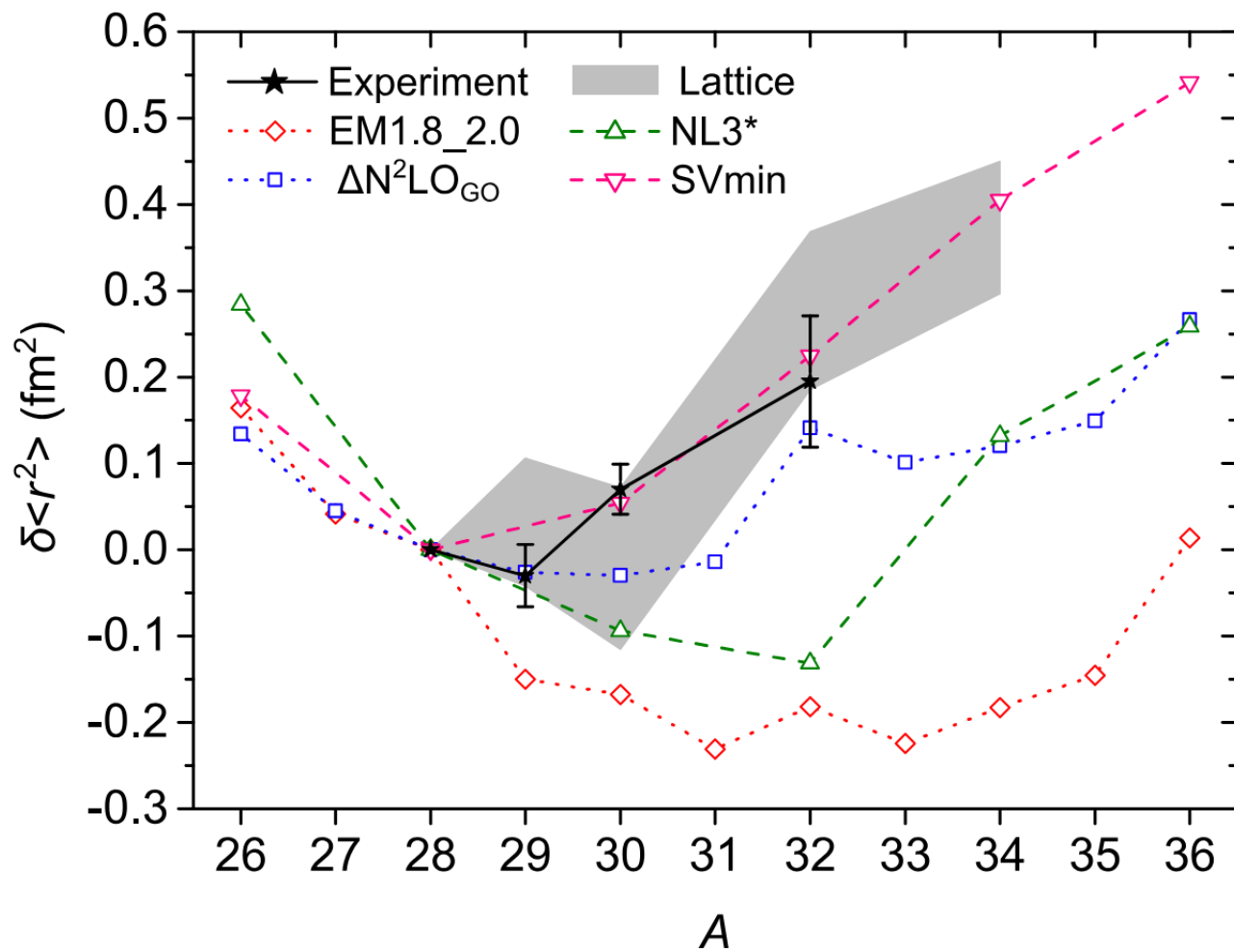
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## Charge radii



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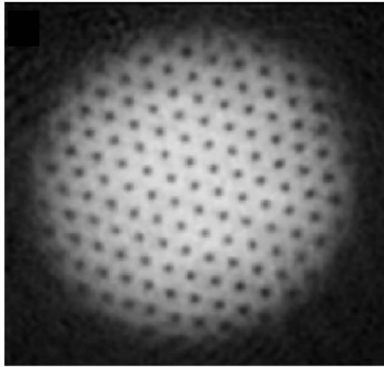
## Charge radii of silicon isotopes



K. König et al., PRL 132, 162502 (2024)

# Superfluidity

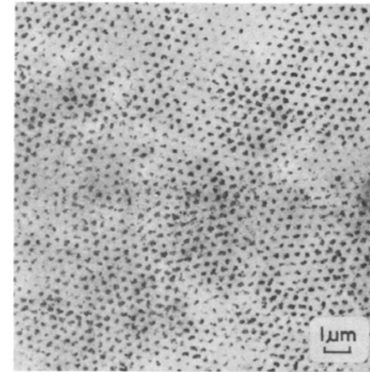
BEC Theory



Ketterle, Zwierlein,  
Ultracold Fermi Gases (2008)

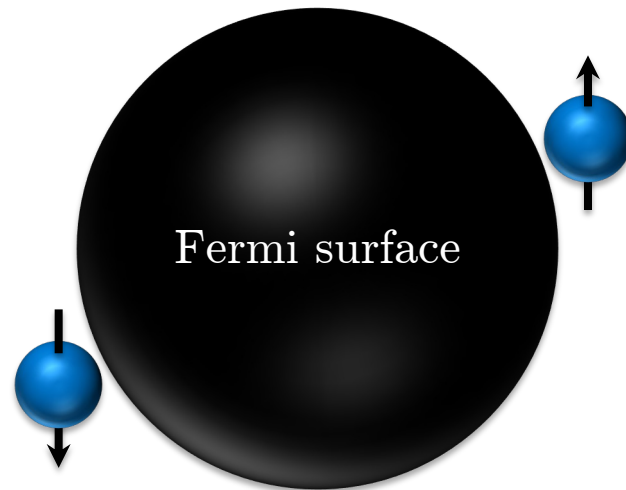


BCS Theory



Essmann, Träuble,  
Phys. Lett. A 27, 3 (1968)

Superfluid pairing is a few-body problem in a many-body environment



## Off-diagonal long-range order

Bosonic superfluidity

$$\langle \Psi_0 | a^\dagger(\mathbf{r}) a(\mathbf{0}) | \Psi_0 \rangle$$

Fermionic superfluidity (S-wave)

$$\langle \Psi_0 | a_\downarrow^\dagger(\mathbf{r}) a_\uparrow^\dagger(\mathbf{r} + \Delta\mathbf{r}) a_\uparrow(\Delta\mathbf{r}) a_\downarrow(\mathbf{0}) | \Psi_0 \rangle$$

Fermionic superfluidity (P-wave)

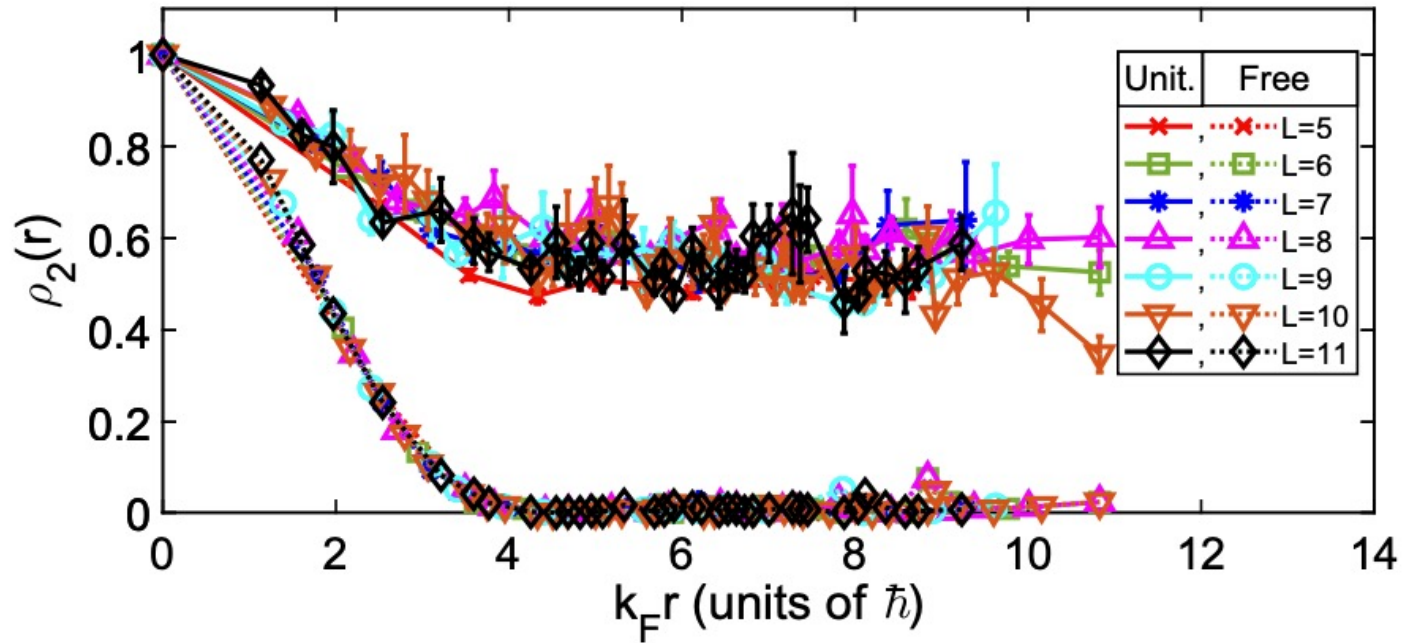
$$\langle \Psi_0 | a_\uparrow^\dagger(\mathbf{r}) a_\uparrow^\dagger(\mathbf{r} + \Delta\mathbf{r}) a_\uparrow(\Delta\mathbf{r}) a_\uparrow(\mathbf{0}) | \Psi_0 \rangle$$

Yang, RMP **34**, 694 (1962)



## Unitary limit

$$H = H_{\text{free}} + \frac{1}{2}C_2 \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \rho(\mathbf{n})^2$$

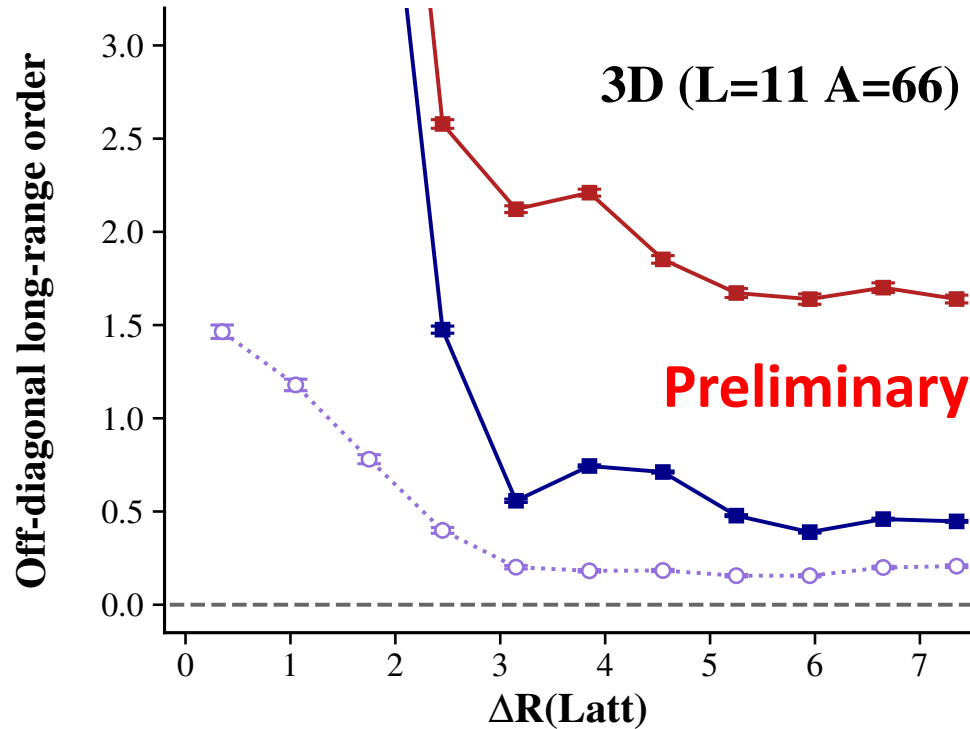


He, Li, Lu, D.L., Phys. Rev. A 101, 063615 (2020)

# Multimodal superfluidity

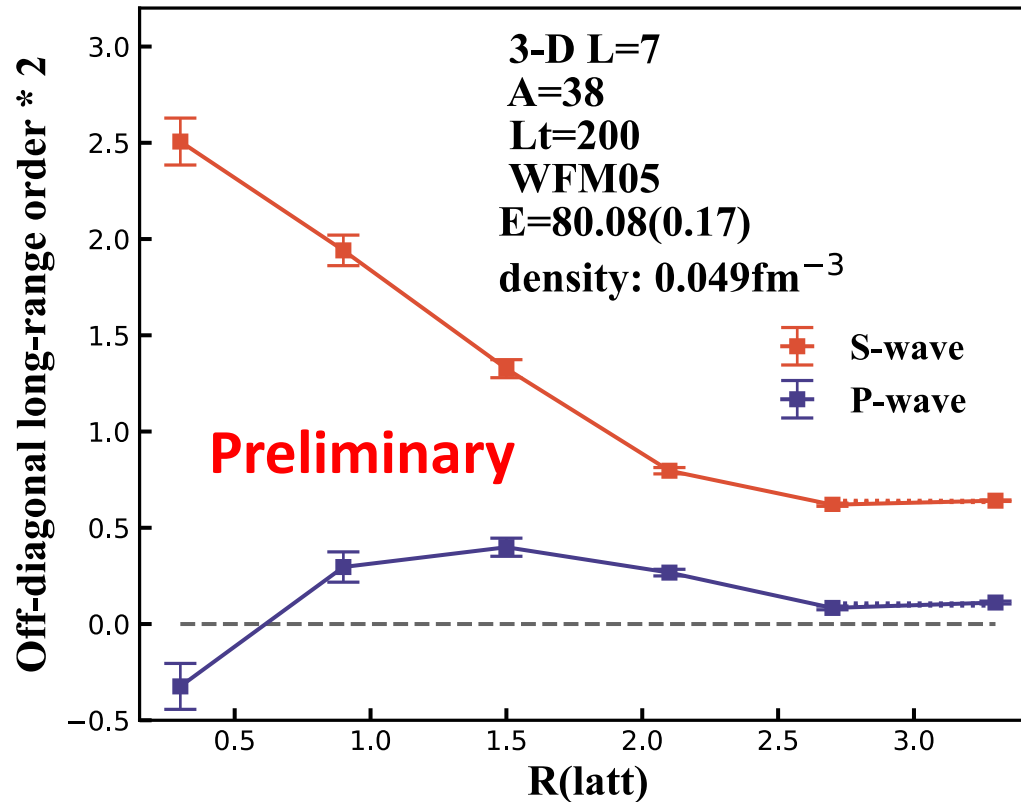
$$H = H_{\text{free}} + \frac{1}{2}C_2 \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \tilde{\rho}(\mathbf{n})^2$$

■ S-wave   ■ P-wave   ○ P-wave (A/2, polarized)



# Multimodal superfluidity in neutron matter

Leading-order chiral EFT interaction



## Summary and outlook

Nuclear lattice effective field theory is being used to perform *ab initio* calculations of nuclear many-body systems. Wavefunction matching allows for the use of high-fidelity chiral effective field theory interactions, and the lattice simulations provide reliable predictions for experiments as well as deeper insights into the underlying physics. The collaboration is working to produce calculations of nuclear structure, scattering, reactions, thermodynamics, and superfluidity.