



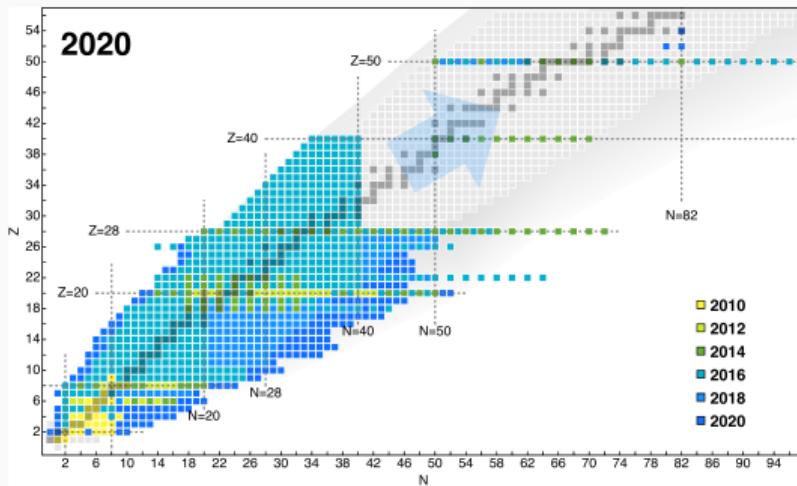
Recent developments in the in-medium similarity renormalization group

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Ab initio nuclear structure



Hergert, Front. Phys. 8 (2020)

Interactions:

- NN and 3N interactions
- Connection to QCD → Chiral EFT

Many-body physics:

- Solve many-body Schrödinger equation in exact or systematically improvable manner

Ab initio promise:

- Predictive power
- Uncertainty quantification
- Systematic path to improvement

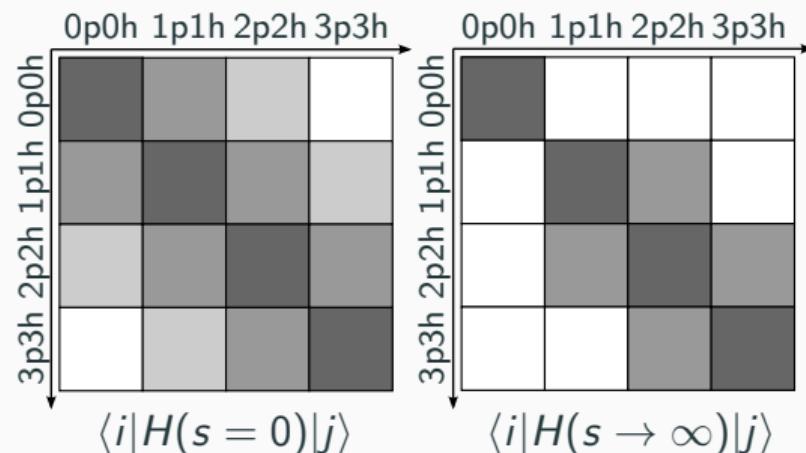
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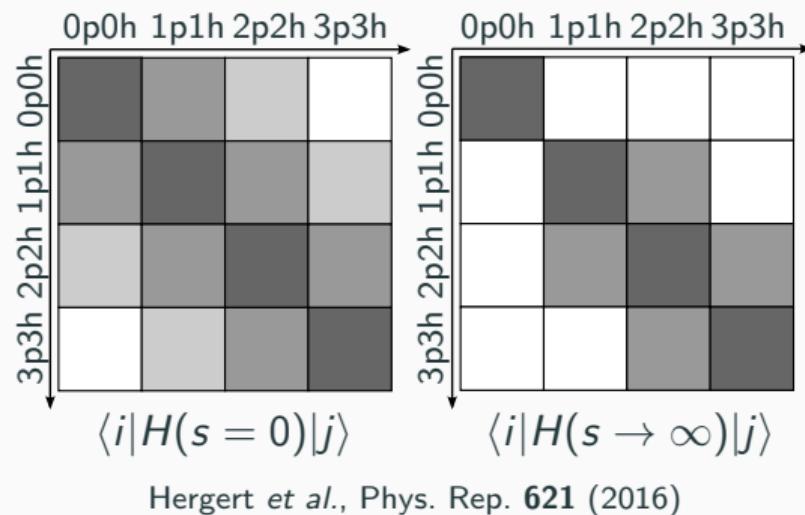
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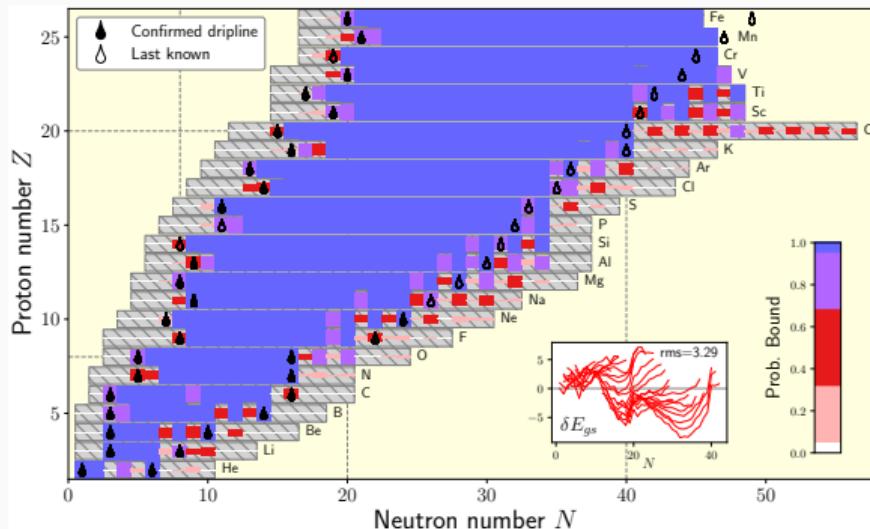
$$H(s) = E(s) + f(s) + \Gamma(s)$$

$$O(s) = O^{(0)}(s) + O^{(1)}(s) + O^{(2)}(s)$$



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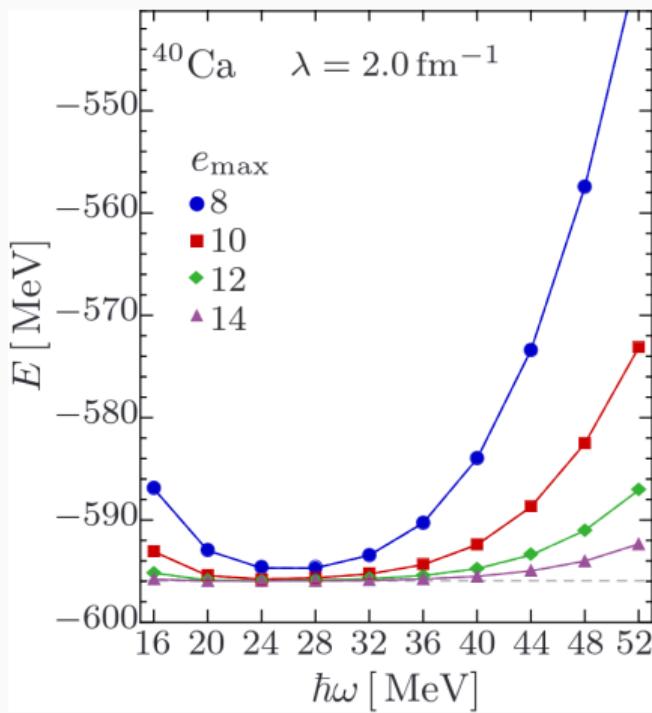
IMSRG(2): Strengths and successes



Stroberg, Holt, Schwenk, Simonis, PRL 126 (2021)

- Polynomial cost in basis size N ($\mathcal{O}(N^6)$)
- Contains all third-order diagrams
- Nonperturbative
- Can flexibly target many different quantities of interest
 - Ground-state properties
 - Spectroscopy
 - Decay matrix elements
- Multiple variants to access open-shell systems

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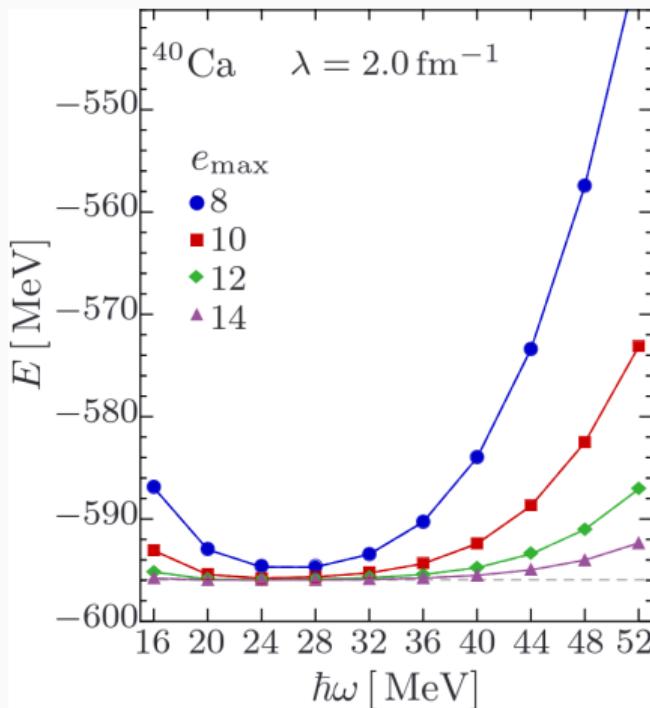
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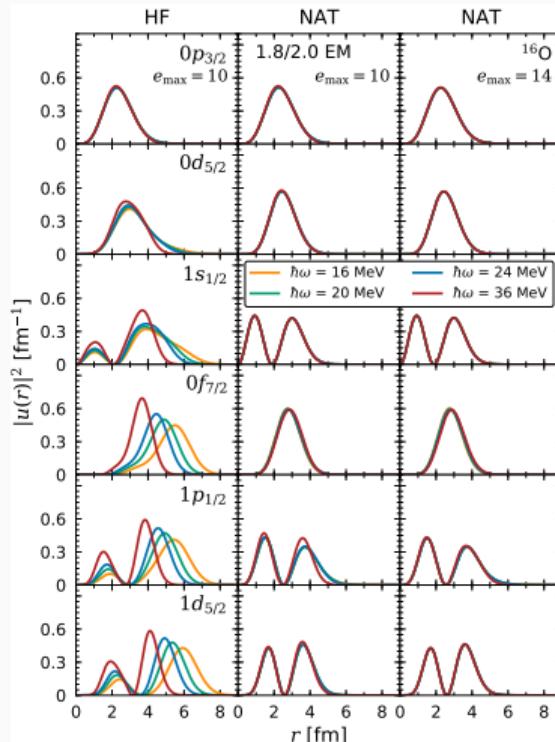
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Many-body truncation:

- Correct for/relax many-body truncation
- IMSRG(2) → [IMSRG\(3\)](#)

MH, Tichai, Hoppe, Hebeler, Schwenk, arXiv:2102.11172

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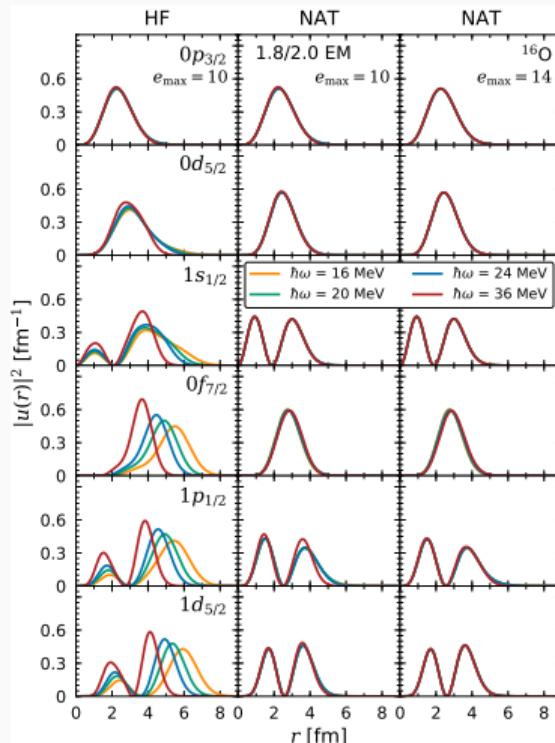
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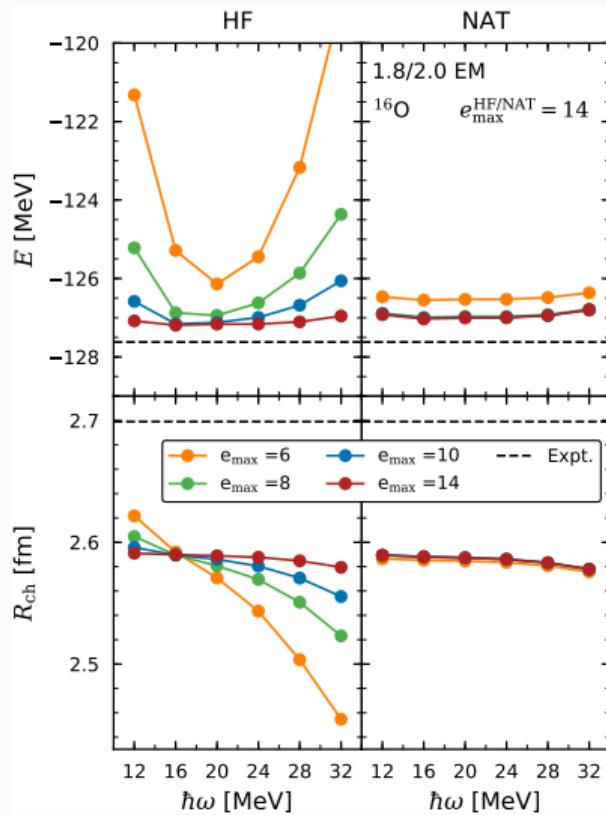


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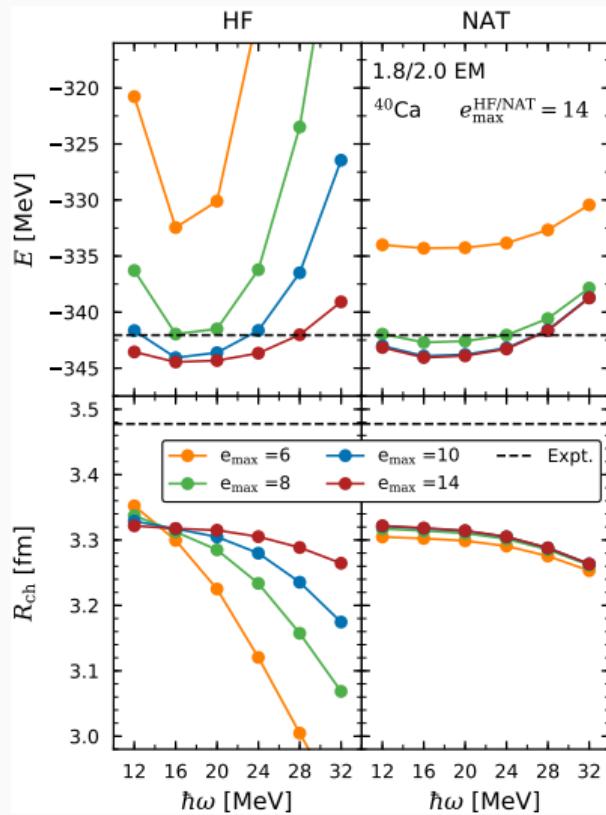


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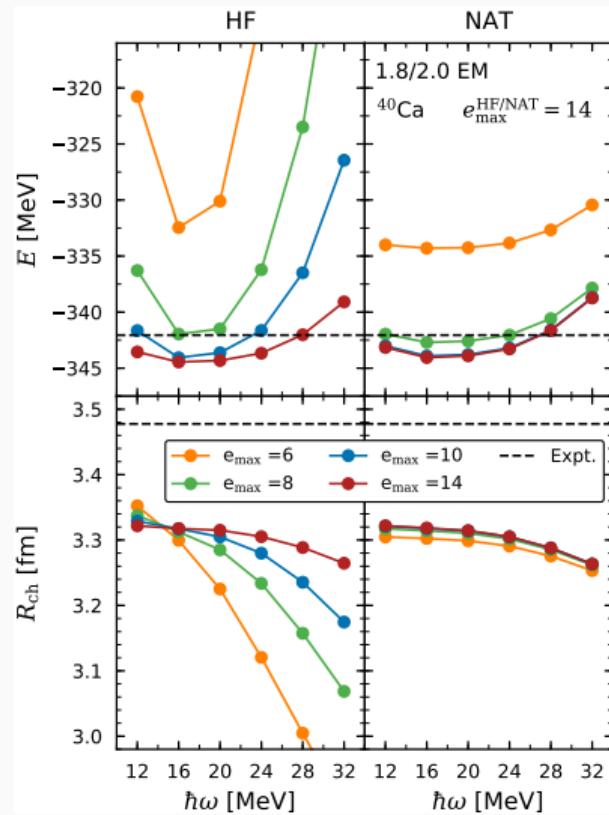


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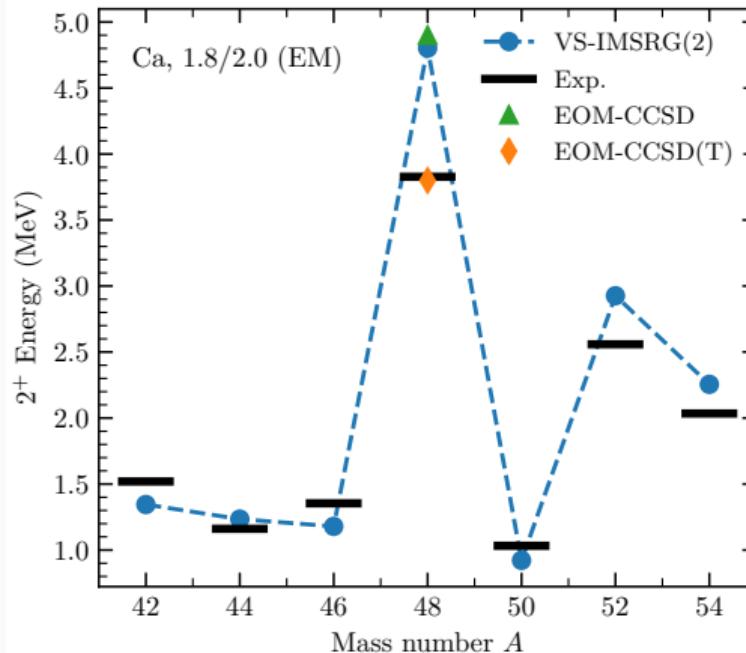
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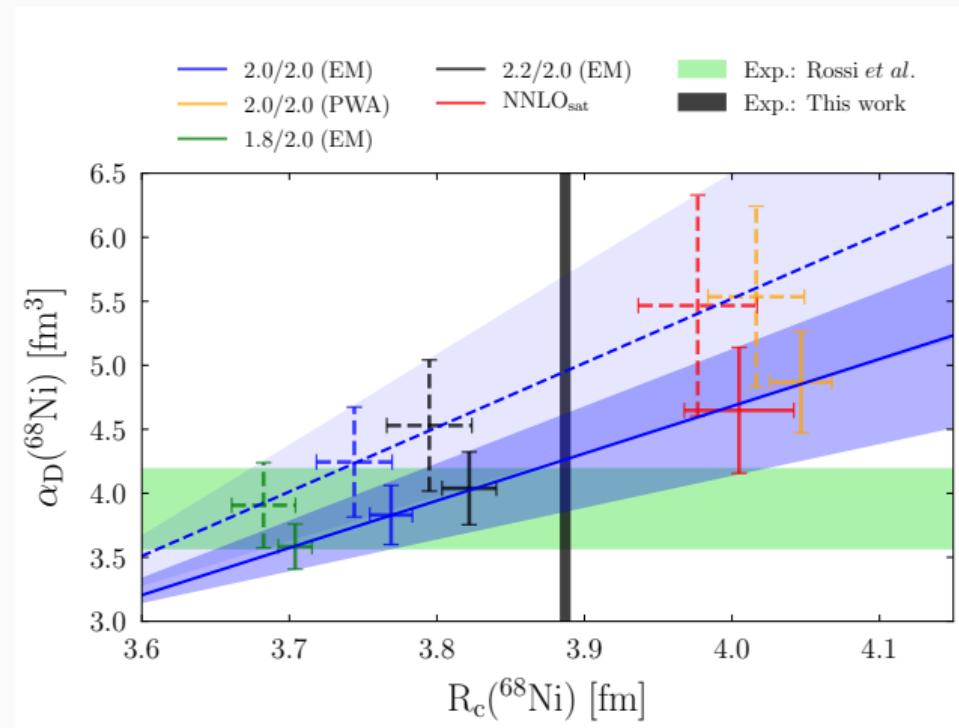
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**Goal: Approximate IMSRG(3)
at lower computational cost**

Approximate IMSRG(3) truncation schemes

IMSRG(3)-MP4:

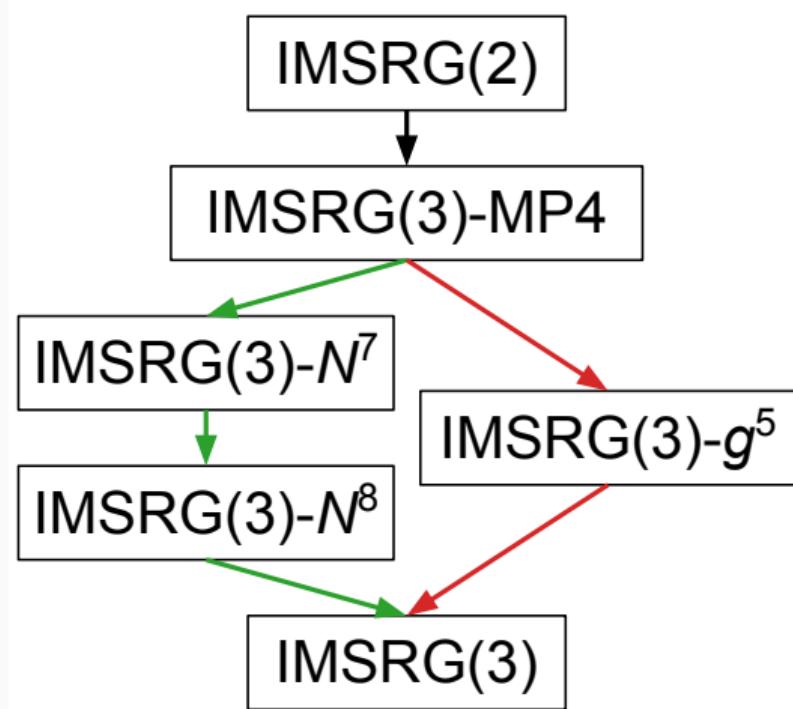
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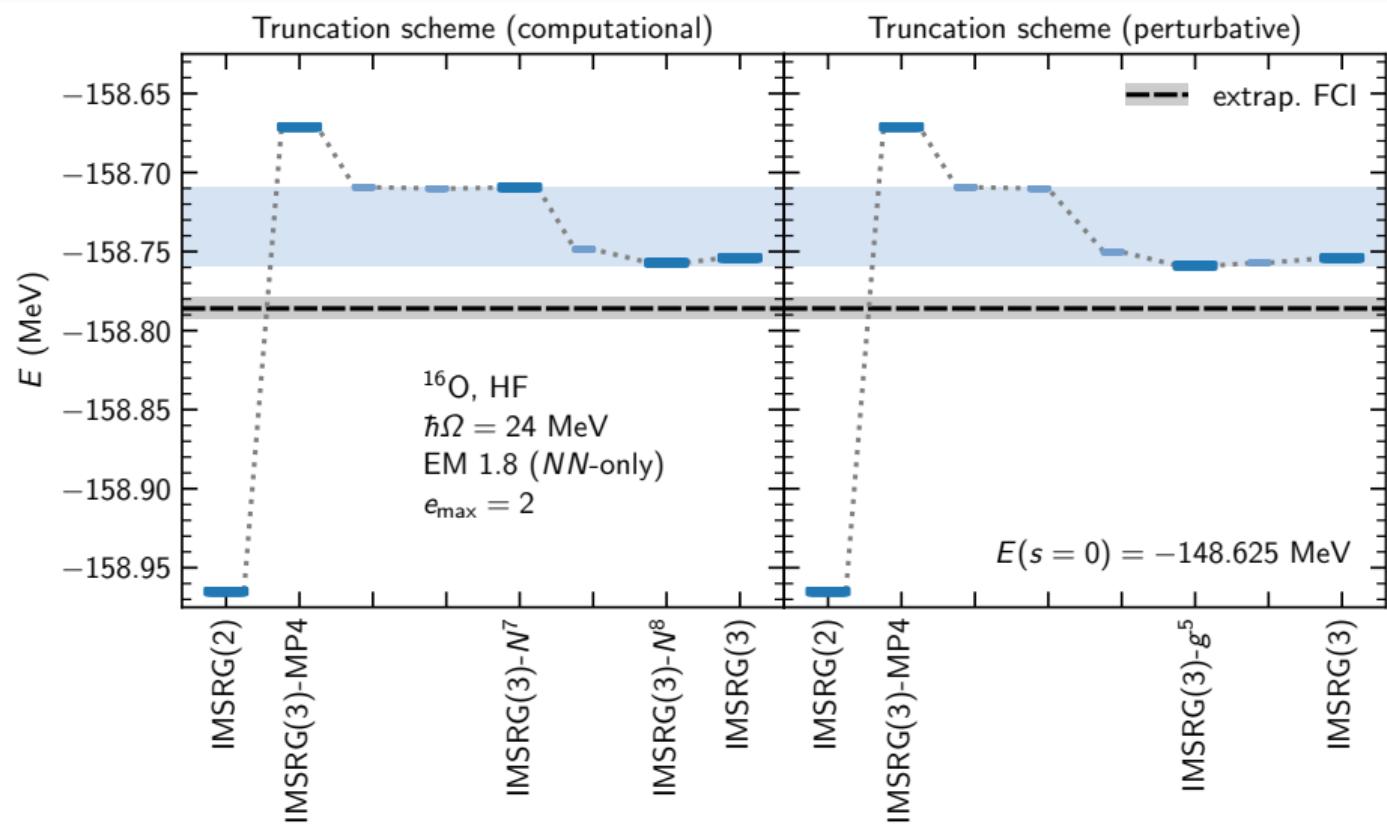
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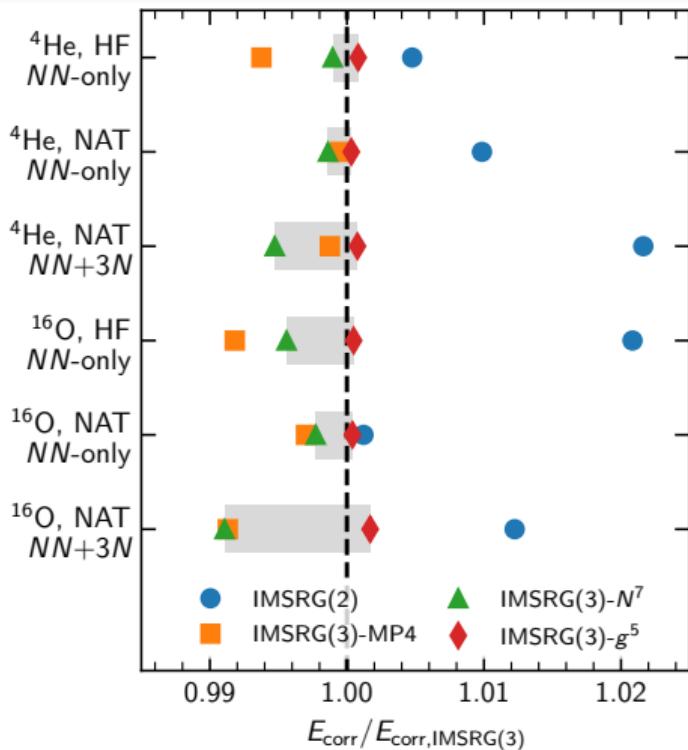
- Include terms based on perturbative importance



Application: Oxygen-16



General trends



- IMSRG(3) systematically improves over IMSRG(2) relative to exact results
- IMSRG(3)- N^7 performs better than IMSRG(2) in general
- IMSRG(3)- g^5 approximates IMSRG(3) very well ($\sim 0.1\%$ error)
- Band between these two truncations contains IMSRG(3) results

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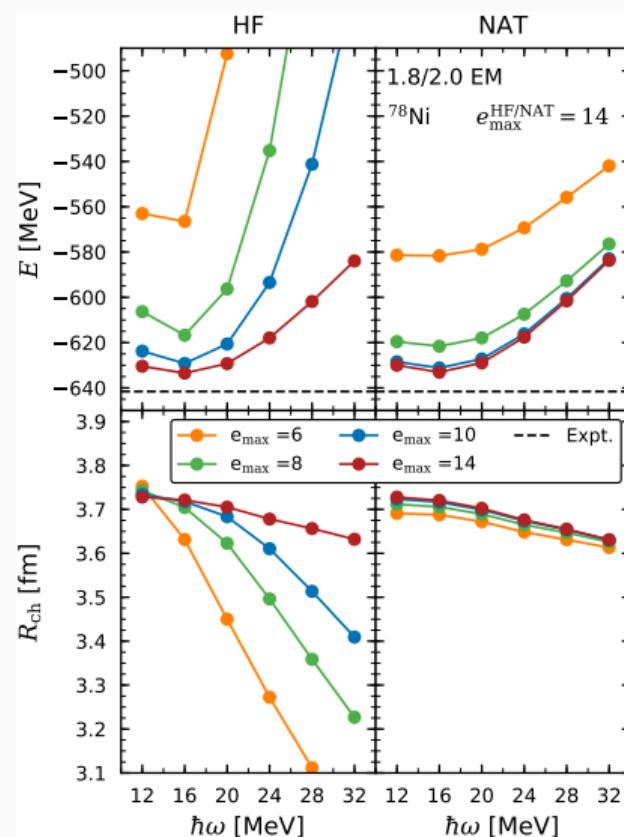
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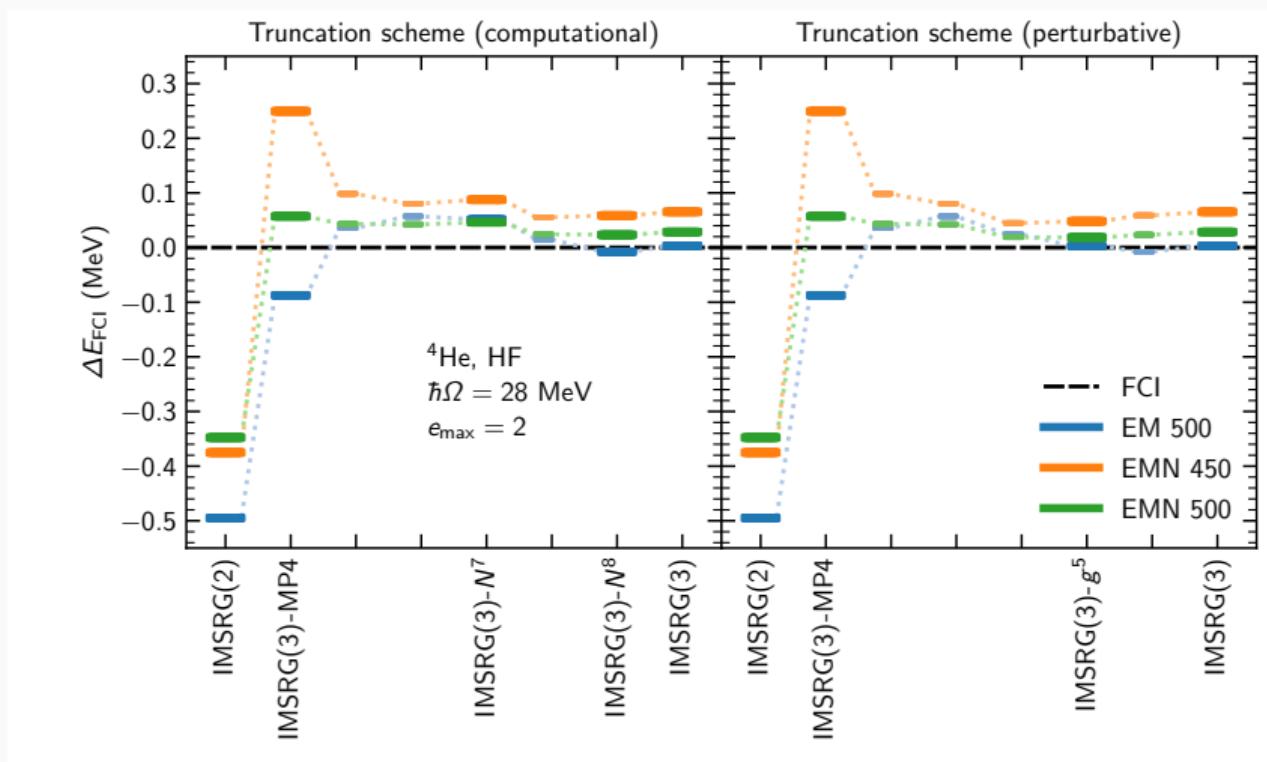
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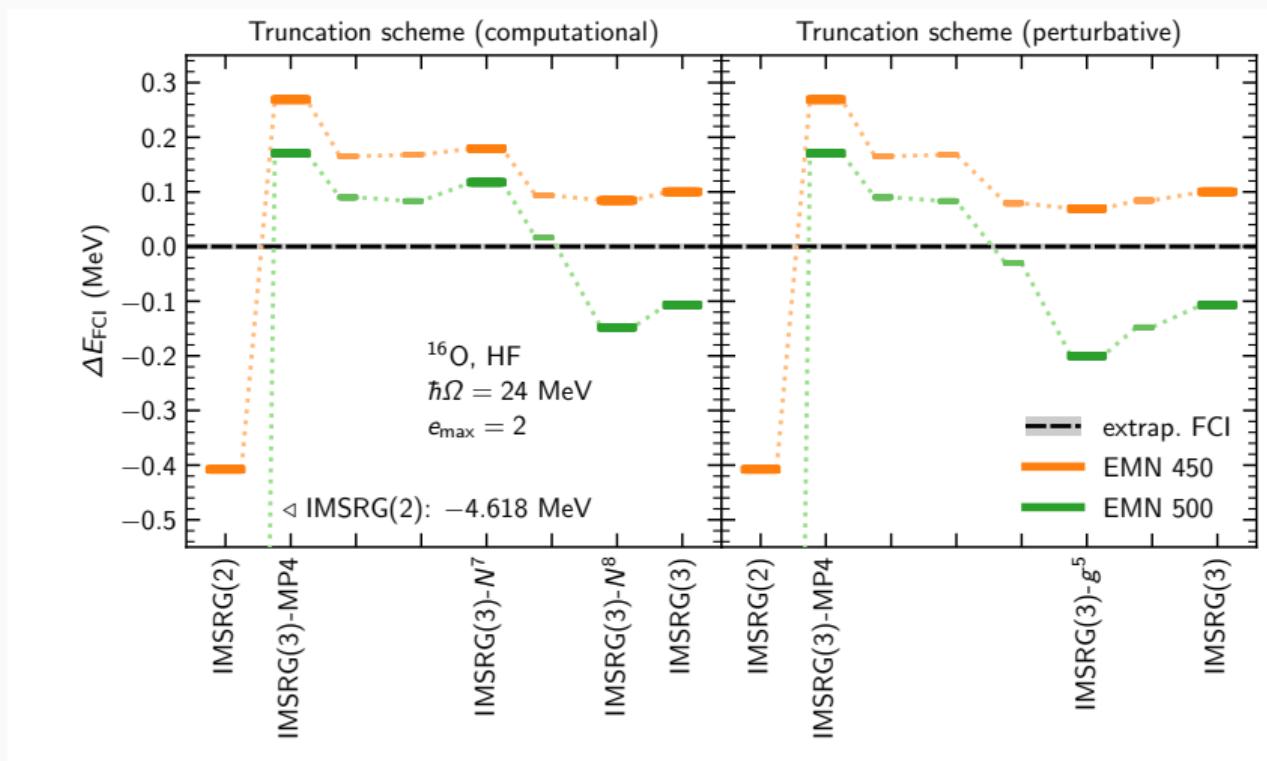
Natural orbitals in Nickel-78



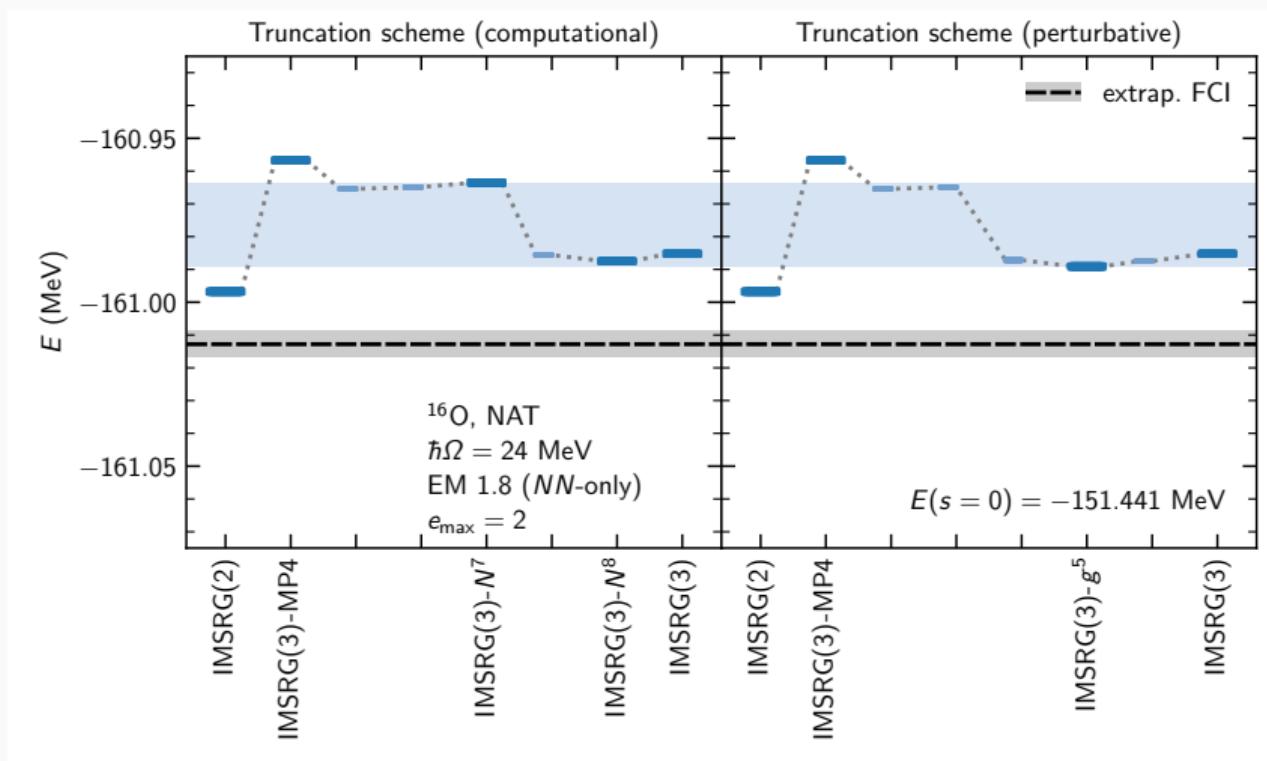
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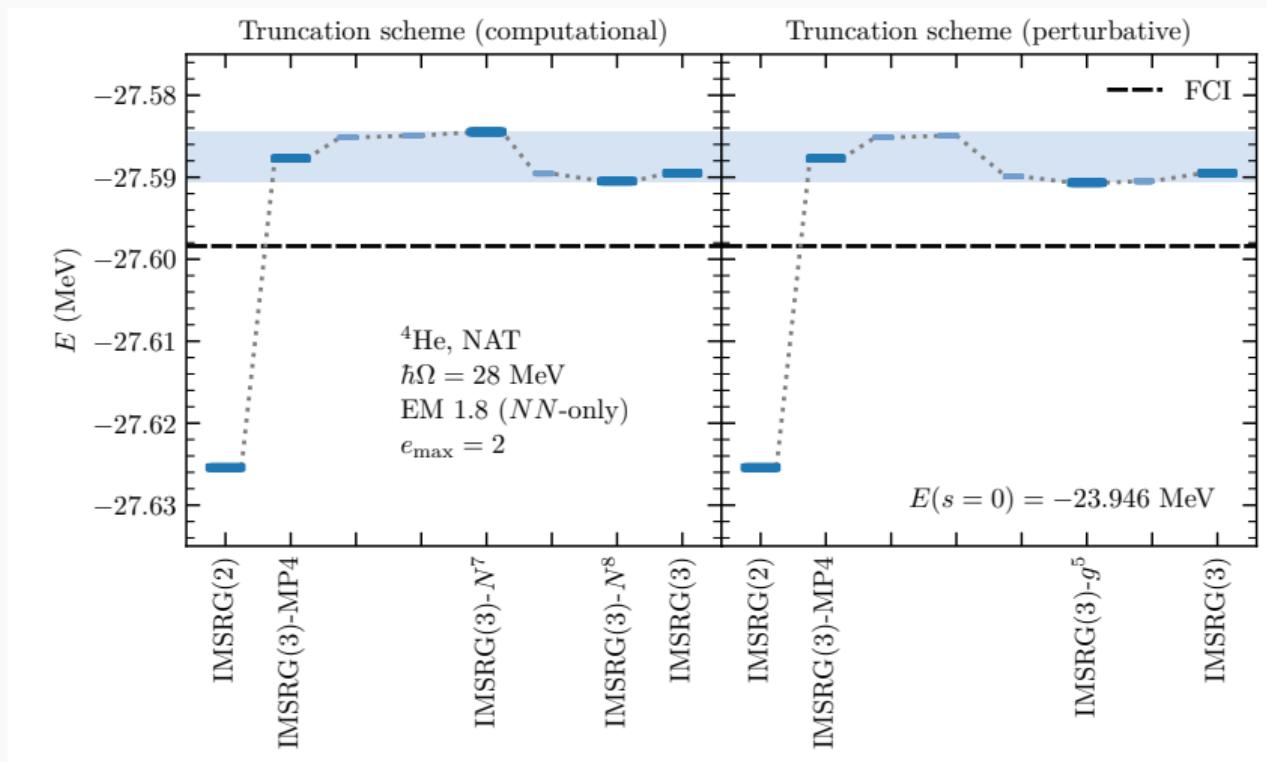
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Applications with 3N interactions

