



Overview & Perspectives "Ab Initio & EFT Programs"

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Projects

- **A02: Effective field theories and ab initio calculations of light nuclei**

PIs: Hans-Werner Hammer, Robert Roth

- **A04: Strong interactions and structure of medium-mass nuclei**

PIs: Robert Roth, Achim Schwenk

- **B05: Nuclear matter equation of state for astrophysical applications**

PIs: Jens Braun, Kai Heleler

- **A05: Halos and clustering in nuclei**

PIs: Tom Aumann, Pierre Capel, Hans-Werner Hammer

- **B01: Electroweak interactions in nuclei and nuclear matter**

PIs: Gabriel Martínez-Pinedo, Achim Schwenk

- **B04: Electric dipole response and neutron equation of state**

PIs: Sonia Bacca, Heiko Scheit

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Domain

light nuclei (s & p-shell)
 ${}^3n, {}^4n$ systems

medium-mass &
heavy nuclei
open-shell systems

infinite nuclear/neutron
matter

Frontiers

precision calculations of
elmag. observables
inclusion of continuum
resonance physics

observables beyond
ground-states
multi-reference/deformation
heavy nuclei

extension & merging to
high-density regime
finite temperature
arbitrary proton fraction

Uncertainty Quantification

Many-Body Tools

(Chiral) Effective Field Theory

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halo nuclei
nn system

electroweak transitions
neutrino-matter interactions

electric dipole polarizability

emag. observables
inclusion of continuum
resonance physics

ground-state energies
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arbitrary asymmetry

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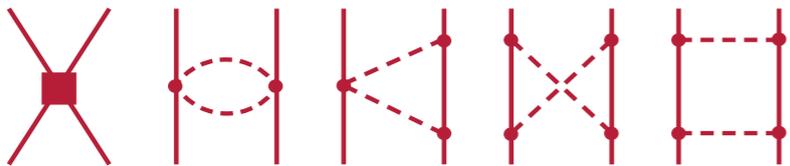
Nuclear Interactions from Chiral EFT

NN

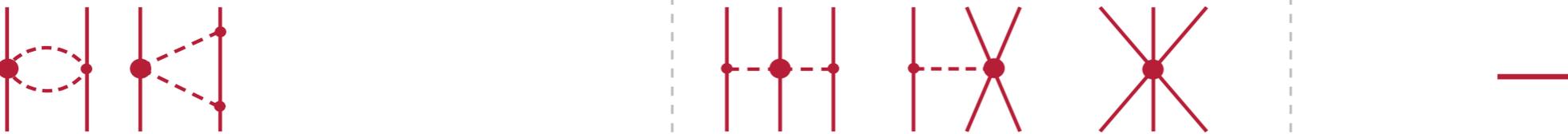
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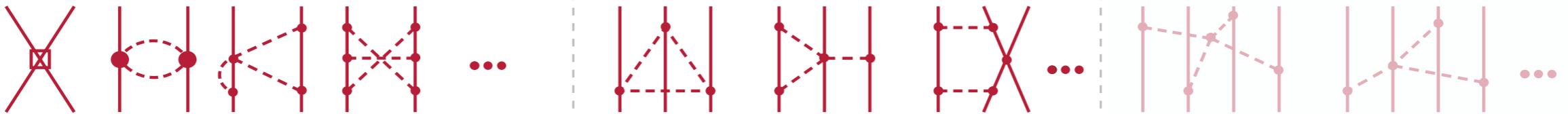
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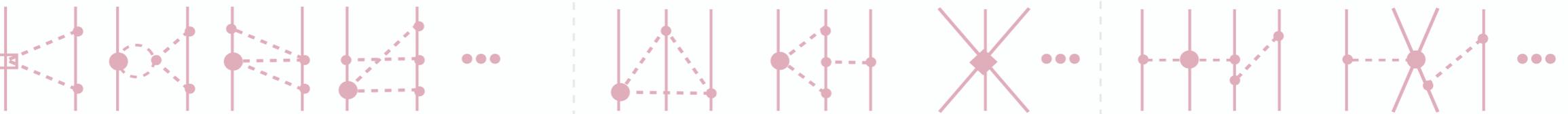
N2LO



N3LO



N4LO



Non-Local Interactions

- NN+3N interactions with same chiral orders and regulator scheme and scale
- up to N3LO with different cutoff values
- low-energy constants fit to $A=2,3$ data and ^{16}O ground-state energy

T. Hüther et al., PLB 808, 135651 (2020)

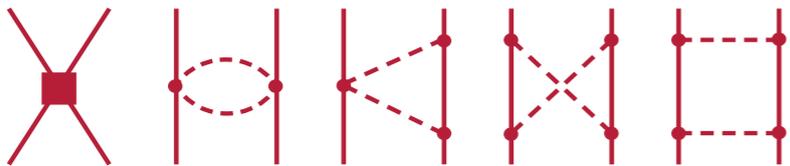
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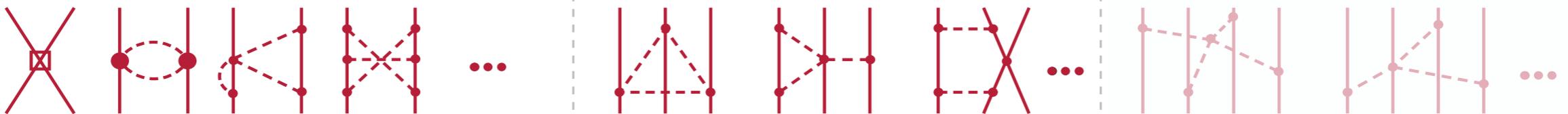
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Semi-Local Interactions

- consistent NN+3N interactions and two-body currents / charge densities
- NN available up to N4LO+
3N at N2LO... soon N3LO, partial N4LO
- low-energy constants fit exclusively to $A=2,3$ data

*LENPIC Collab, PRC 103, 054001 (2021)
PRC (2022) accepted*

Uncertainty Quantification

all theory calculations are affected by systematic uncertainties (some also by statistical uncertainties)

in ab initio methods uncertainties result in a controlled way from truncations

variation of all truncation parameters gives access to systematic UQ

■ **chiral EFT uncertainties**

- assess convergence of observables in dependence of chiral order
- convergence affected by regulator scheme and scale

use Bayesian methods to estimate size of omitted contributions based on known systematics

■ **many-body uncertainties**

- assess convergence of observables with model-space truncation
- convergence affected by basis choice, truncation scheme, Hamiltonian

Many-Body Tools

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Few-Body Methods

Model / Configuration Interaction

Shell Model

Perturbation Theory

Similarity Renormalization

In-Medium Similarity Renormalization Group

Functional RG

all methods are computationally limited...

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Many-Body Tools: Emulators

use emulators to circumvent computationally expensive many-body calculations

real many-body calculations provide the information needed for the construction of the emulator

■ **eigenvector continuation for parameter variations**

- use tiny but highly problem-adapted basis set extracted from full many-body solution (eigenvectors)
- powerful tool for large-scale parameter variations, e.g. for LEC fitting

■ **artificial neural networks for model-space extrapolation**

- train ANN to predict converged observables based on sequences of non-converged many-body calculations
- provides robust "extrapolations" with statistically sound uncertainties

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Just one specific example...

A04: In-Medium NCSM Study of Neon Isotopes

No-Core Shell Model

Barrett, Vary, Navrátil, Maris, Nogga, Roth,...

no-core shell model is
universal and powerful ab initio approach for
light nuclei (up to $A \approx 25$)

- **idea**: solve eigenvalue problem of Hamiltonian represented in model space of HO Slater determinants truncated w.r.t. HO excitation energy $N_{\max} \hbar \Omega$

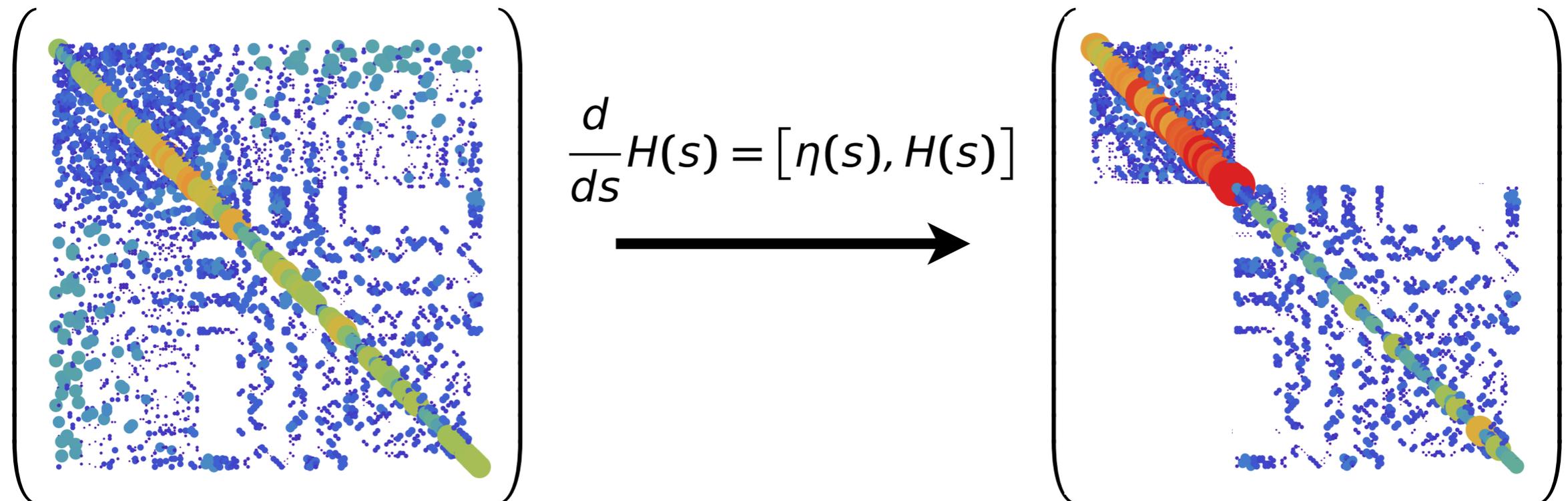
$$\left(\begin{array}{c} \text{[Matrix of blue dots with a diagonal band of yellow and green dots]} \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ C_{i'}^{(n)} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} = E_n \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ C_i^{(n)} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

Multi-Reference In-Medium SRG

Hergert, Gebrerufael, Vobig, Mongelli, Roth,...

decouple reference state from
excitations by a unitary transformation of
Hamiltonian and other operators

- **idea**: use multi-reference formulation of IM-SRG to decouple reference space for rest of model space, i.e., block diagonalize A -body Hamiltonian



In-Medium NCSM

NCSM
reference state

- ground-state from NCSM at small N_{\max} as reference state for multi-reference IM-SRG
- access to all open-shell nuclei and systematically improvable

MR-IM-SRG
decoupling

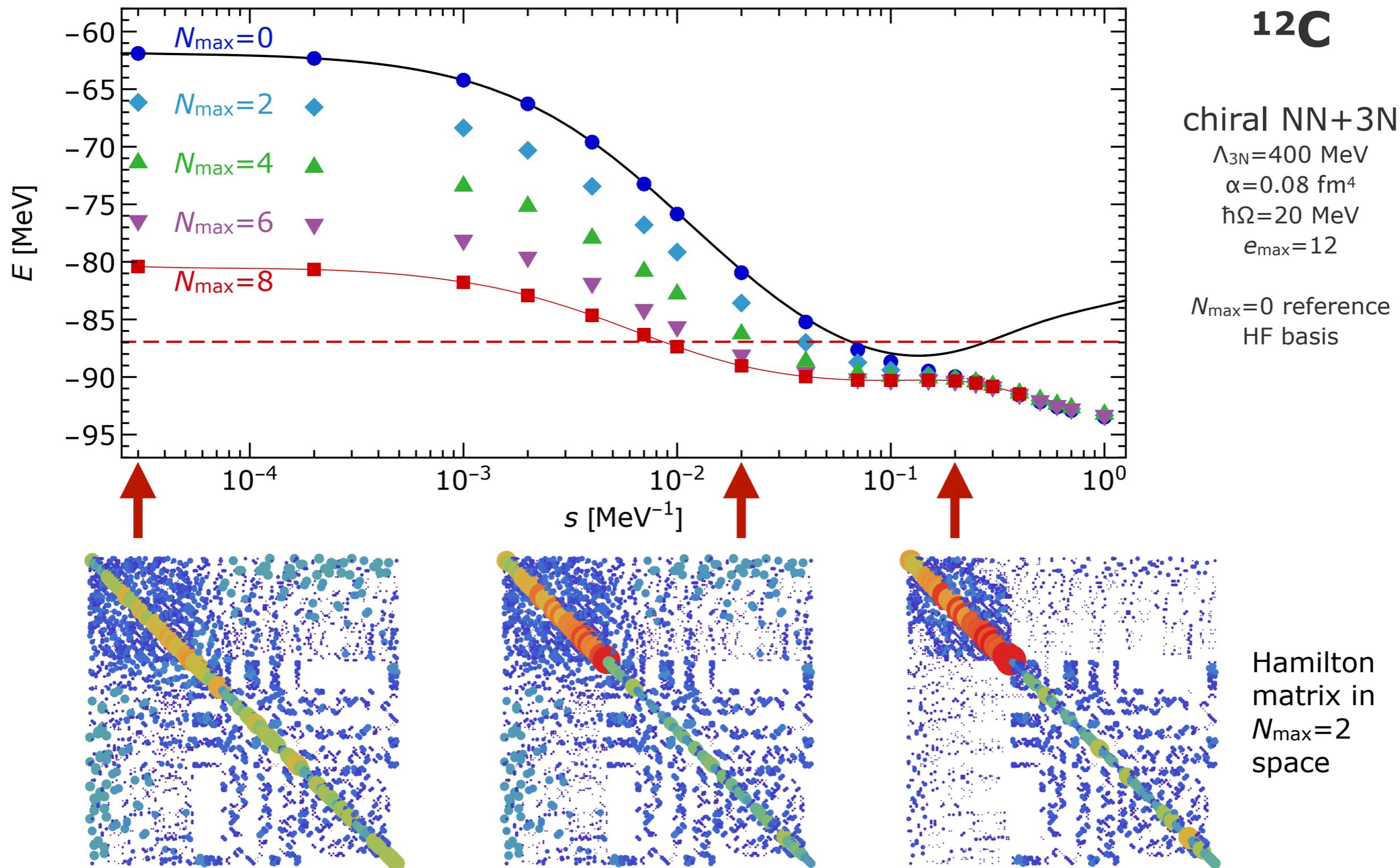
- IM-SRG evolution of multi-reference normal-ordered Hamiltonian and other operators
- decoupling of particle-hole excitations, i.e., pre-diagonalization in many-body space

NCSM
many-body solution

- use in-medium evolved Hamiltonian for a subsequent NCSM calculation
- access to ground and excited states and full suite of observables

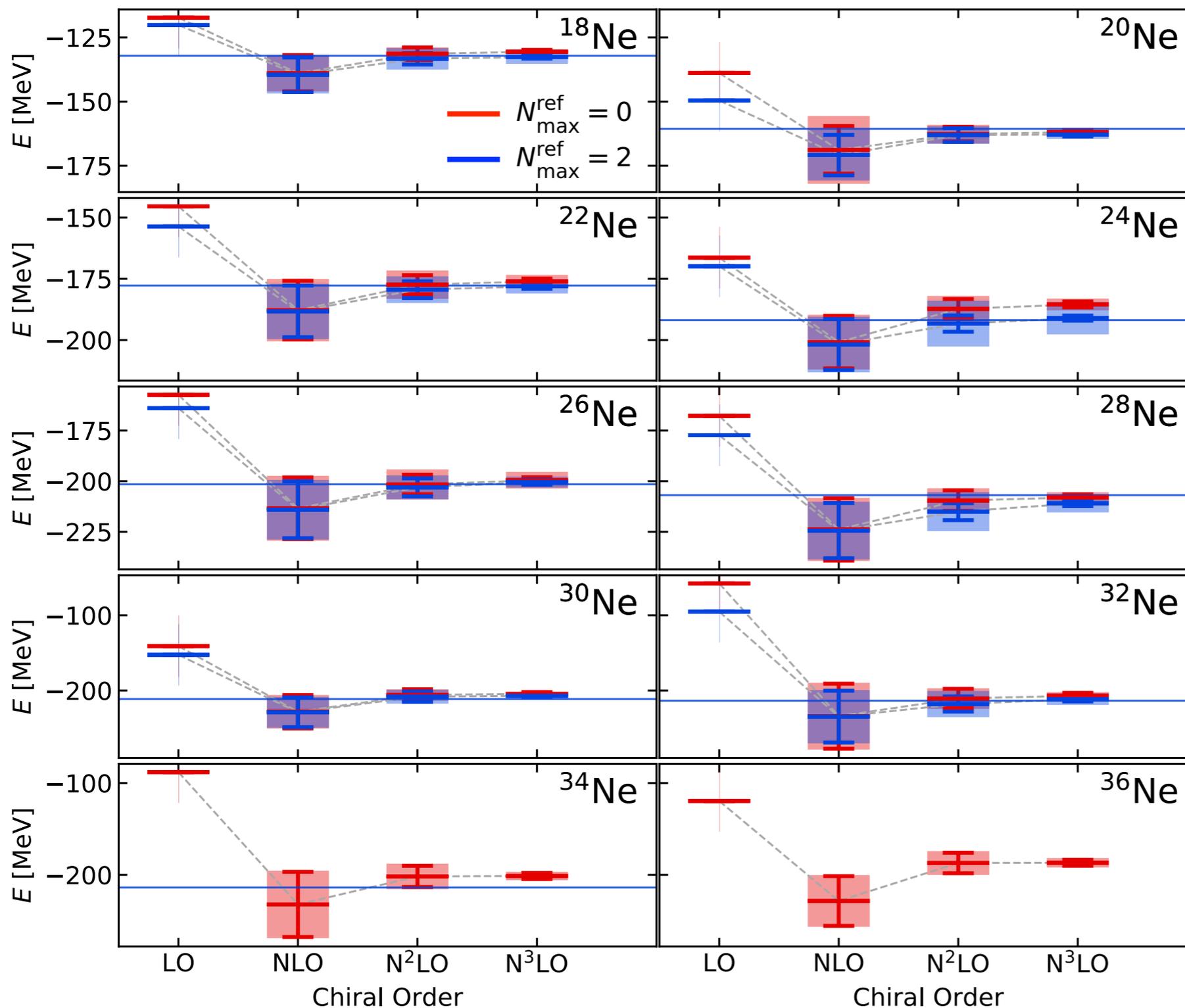
In-Medium NCSM: Flow Evolution

Gebrerufael, Vobig, Hergert, Roth; PRL 118, 152503 (2017)



Neon Isotopes: Ground-State Energies

Mongelli et al., in preparation



- amazing reproduction of experimental energies for all isotopes
- uncertainties under control

family of non-local NN+3N interactions
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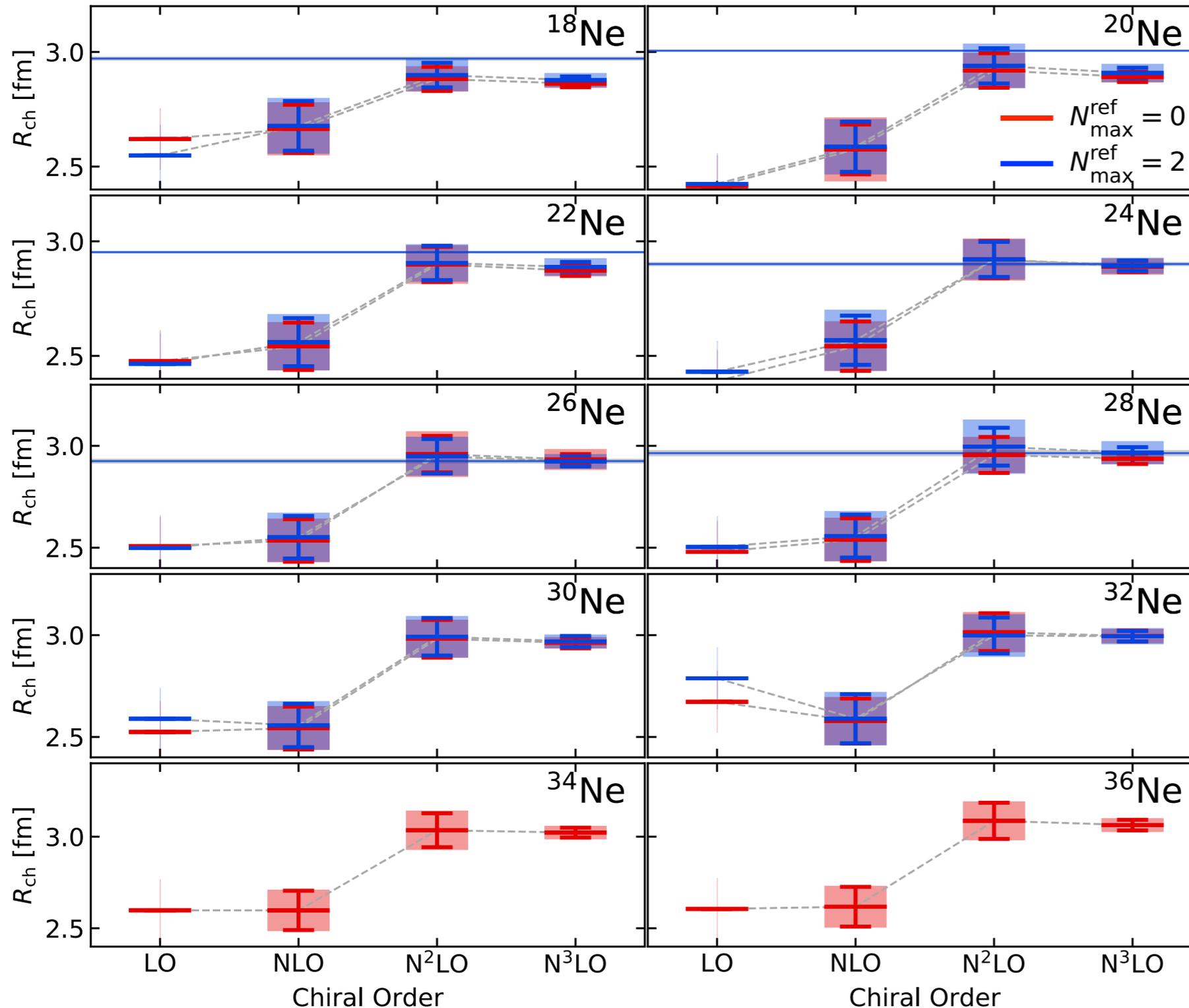
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 $\hbar\Omega = 20$ MeV
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 NAT basis
 $N_{\max}^{\text{ref}} = 0, 2$
 $N_{\max} = 4$

error bars:
 68% interaction
 uncertainties

error bands:
 interaction +
 many-body
 uncertainties

Neon Isotopes: Charge Radii

Mongelli et al., in preparation



- excellent description of radii, slight underestimation for light isotopes
- stable results in N^2LO and N^3LO

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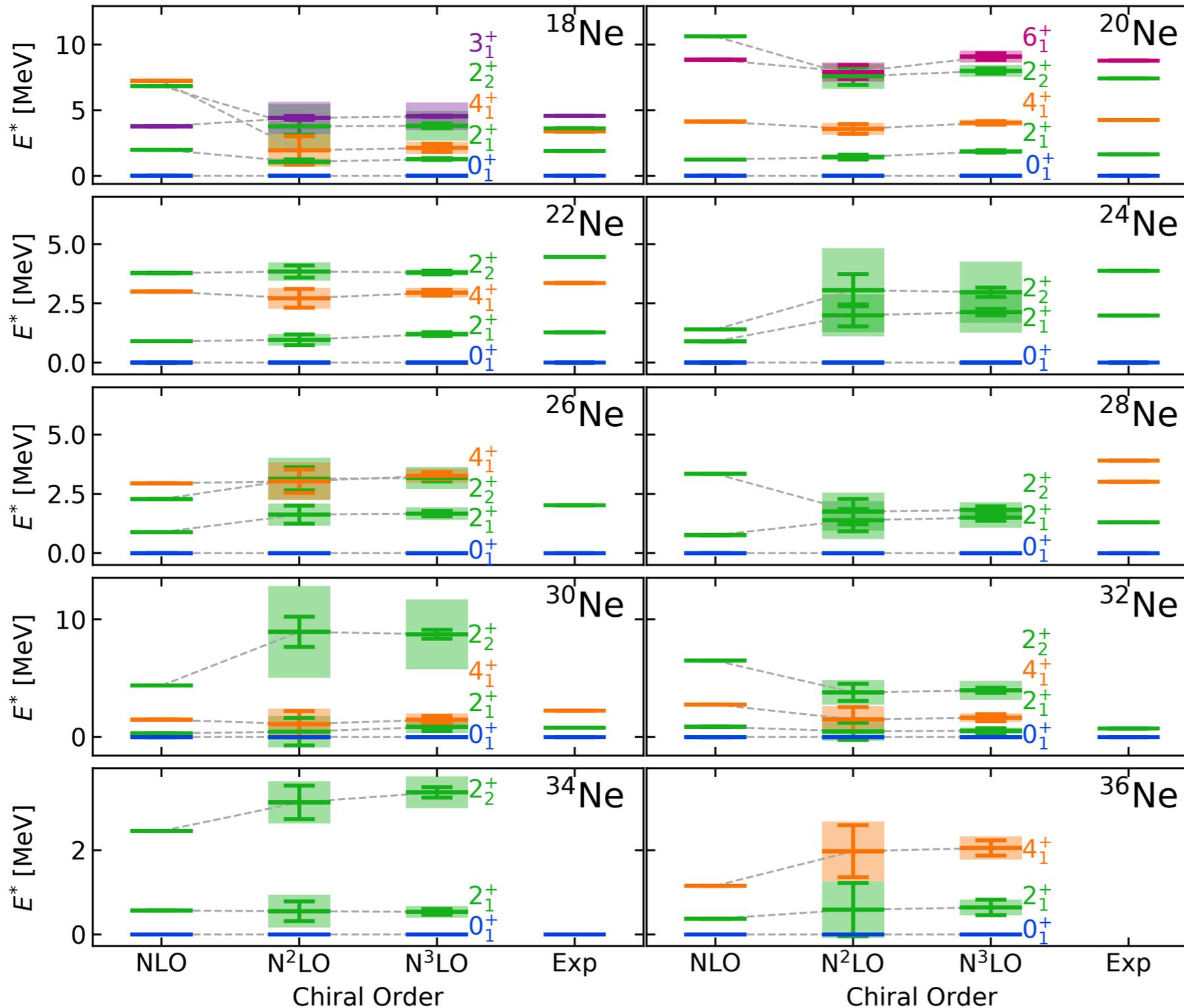
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Neon Isotopes: Excitation Energies

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■ excellent description of excitation spectra

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Following Talks

A02

Sebastian Dietz

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*Energy distribution of
 3n systems*

Tobias Wolfgruber

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*From chiral interactions to
NCSM observables*

Julius Müller

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*First results from the
Gamow-NCSM*

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Takayuki Miyagi

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*Heavy-mass frontier in
nuclear ab initio calculations*

B05

Jonas Keller

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*Nuclear EOS for arbitrary
proton fraction and
temperature*

Andreas Geissel

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*Towards the EOS of
neutron stars*