

# Many-body currents in the analysis of precision experiments

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Precise beta decay calculations for searches for new physics  
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Open Questions in Fundamental Symmetries and Neutrino Physics  
Majorana Neutrinos, Neutrinos Mass Hierarchy,  
CP-Violation in Neutrino Sector, Dark Matter

with

Carlson & Gandolfi (LANL) & Schiavilla (ODU+JLab)

Piarulli (WashU) & Baroni (USC) & Pieper & Wiringa (ANL)

Girlanda (Salento U.) & Marcucci & Viviani & Kievsky (Pisa U/INFN)

and with

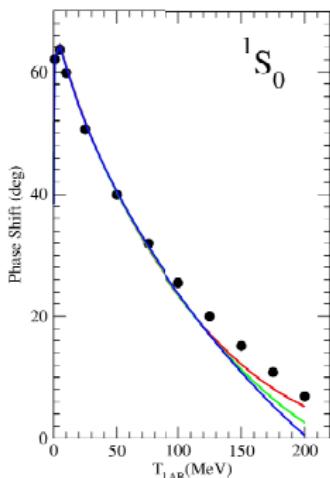
Mereghetti & Dekens & Cirigliano & Graesser (LANL)  
de Vries (Nikhef) & van Kolck (AU+CNRS/IN2P3)

## Nuclear Interactions

The nucleus is made of A non-relativistic interacting nucleons and its energy is

$$H = T + V = \sum_{i=1}^A t_i + \sum_{i < j} v_{ij} + \sum_{i < j < k} V_{ijk} + \dots$$

where  $v_{ij}$  and  $V_{ijk}$  are two- and three-nucleon operators based on EXPT data fitting and fitted parameters subsume underlying QCD



Hideki Yukawa

- \* Contact terms: short-range
- \* One-pion-exchange: range  $\sim \frac{1}{m_\pi}$
- \* Two-pion-exchange: range  $\sim \frac{1}{2m_\pi}$

## Quantum Monte Carlo Methods

Minimize expectation value of  $H = T + \textcolor{blue}{V}_{ij} + \textcolor{red}{V}_{ijk}$

$$E_V = \frac{\langle \Psi_V | H | \Psi_V \rangle}{\langle \Psi_V | \Psi_V \rangle} \geq E_0$$

using trial function

$$|\Psi_V\rangle = \left[ \mathcal{S} \prod_{i < j} (1 + \textcolor{blue}{U}_{ij} + \sum_{k \neq i, j} \textcolor{red}{U}_{ijk}) \right] \left[ \prod_{i < j} f_c(r_{ij}) \right] |\Phi_A(JMTT_3)\rangle$$

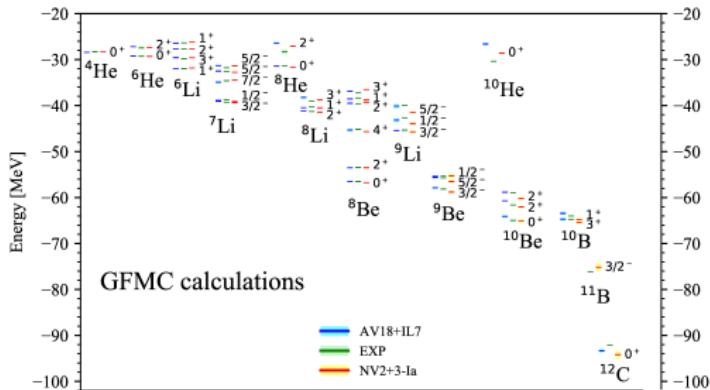
$\Psi_V$  is further improved it by “filtering” out the remaining excited state contamination

$$\Psi(\tau) = \exp[-(H - E_0)\tau] \Psi_V = \sum_n \exp[-(E_n - E_0)\tau] a_n \psi_n$$

$$\Psi(\tau \rightarrow \infty) = a_0 \psi_0$$

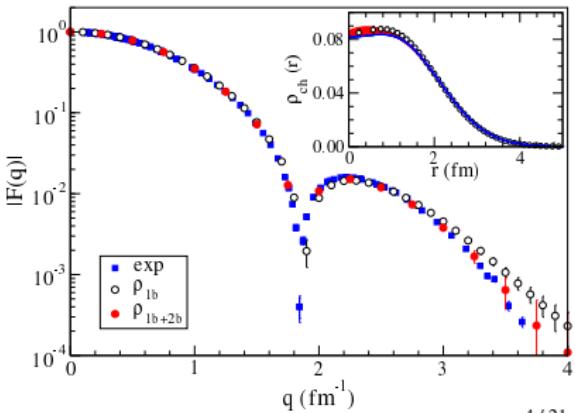
- \* QMC: AV18+UIX / AV18+IL7; Wiringa+Schiavilla+Pieper *et al.*
- \* QMC: NN(N2LO)+3N(N2LO) ( $\pi\&N$ ); Gerzelis+Tews+Epelbaum+Gandolfi+Lynn *et al.*
- \* QMC: NN(N3LO)+3N(N2LO) ( $\pi\&N\&\Delta$ ); Piarulli *et al.*

# Energy Spectrum and Shape of Nuclei



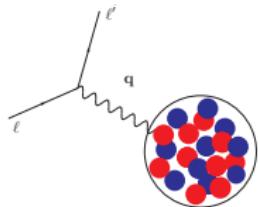
Piarulli *et al.* - PRL120(2018)052503

Lovato *et al.*  
PRL111(2013)092501

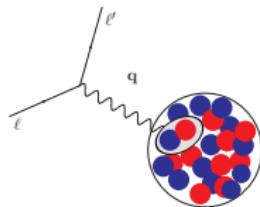


# Nuclear Currents

1b



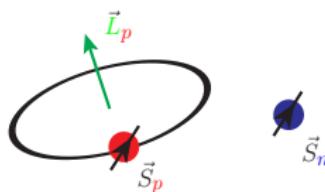
2b



$$\rho = \sum_{i=1}^A \rho_i + \sum_{i < j} \rho_{ij} + \dots ,$$

$$\mathbf{j} = \sum_{i=1}^A \mathbf{j}_i + \sum_{i < j} \mathbf{j}_{ij} + \dots$$

\* Nuclear currents given by the sum of  $p$ 's and  $n$ 's currents, **one-body currents (1b)**



\* **Two-body currents (2b)** essential to satisfy current conservation

\* We use **Meson-Exchange Currents (MEC)** or  $\chi$ **EFT Currents**

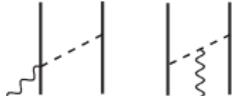


# Electromagnetic Currents from Chiral Effective Field Theory

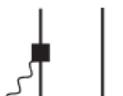
**LO** :  $j^{(-2)} \sim eQ^{-2}$



**NLO** :  $j^{(-1)} \sim eQ^{-1}$



**N<sup>2</sup>LO** :  $j^{(-0)} \sim eQ^0$



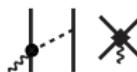
\* 3 unknown Low Energy Constants:  
fixed so as to reproduce  $d$ ,  ${}^3H$ , and  ${}^3\text{He}$  magnetic moments

\*\* also obtainable from LQCD calculations \*\*

**N<sup>3</sup>LO**:  $j^{(1)} \sim eQ$



unknown LEC's →

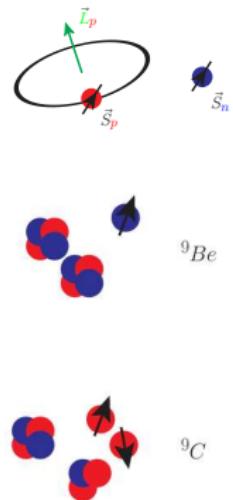
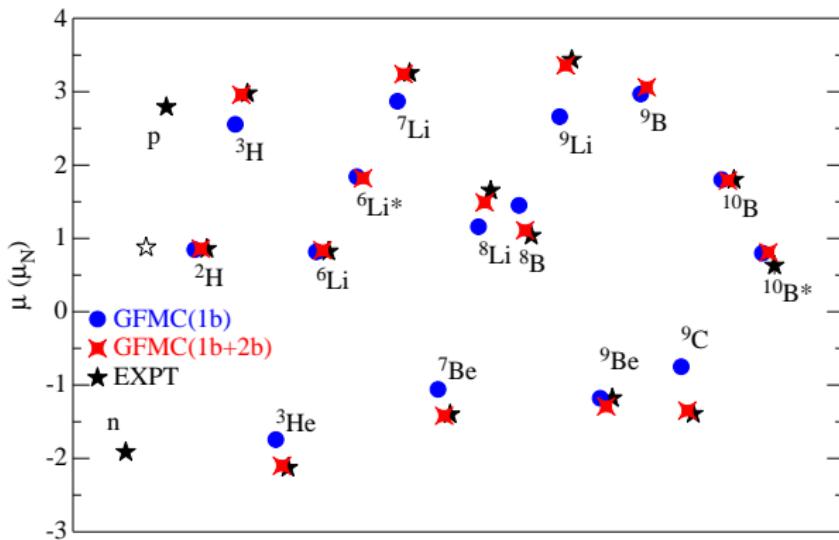


Pastore *et al.* PRC78(2008)064002 & PRC80(2009)034004 & PRC84(2011)024001

Piarulli *et al.* PRCC87(2013)014006

derived by Park+Min+Rho NPA596(1996)515 in CPT  
and by Kölling+Epelbaum+Krebs+Meissner PRC80(2009)045502 & PRC84(2011)054008 with UT

# Magnetic Moments of Nuclei

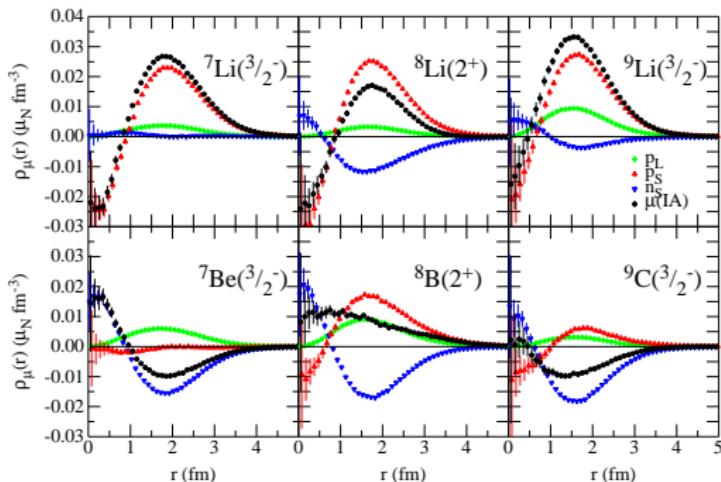


m.m.	THEO	EXP
$^9C$	-1.35(4)(7)	-1.3914(5)
$^9Li$	3.36(4)(8)	3.4391(6)

chiral truncation error based on EE *et al.* error algorithm, Epelbaum, Krebs, and Meissner EPJA51(2015)53

Pastore *et al.* PRC87(2013)035503

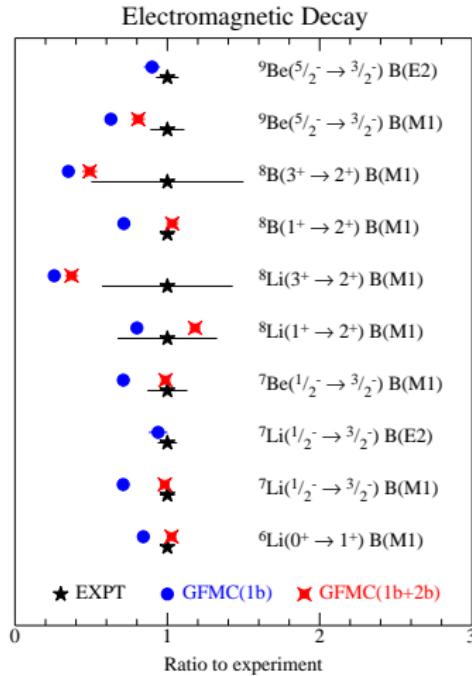
## One-body magnetic densities



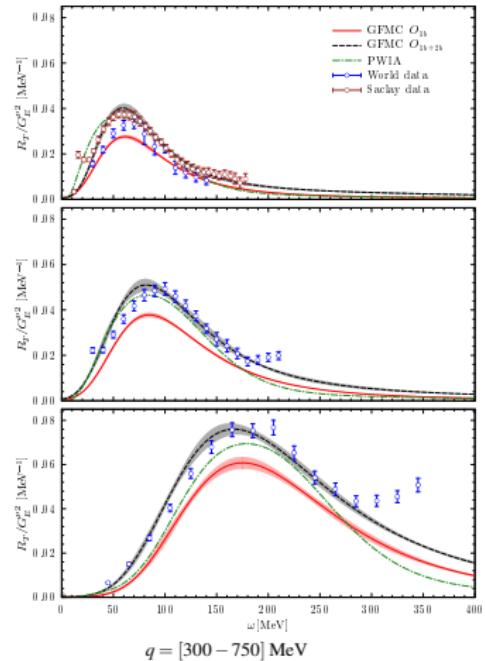
\* one-body (IA) magnetic moment operator

$$\mu(\text{IA}) = \mu_N \sum_i [(\textcolor{green}{L}_i + g_p \textcolor{red}{S}_i)(1 + \tau_{i,z})/2 + g_n \textcolor{blue}{S}_i(1 - \tau_{i,z})/2]$$

# Electromagnetic Decays and $e$ -scattering off nuclei



## Electromagnetic Transverse Responses



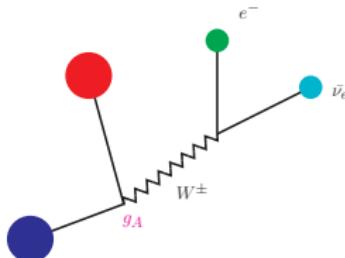
Pastore *et al.*, PRC87(2013)035503 & PRC90(2014)024321

Lovato & Gandolfi *et al.*, PRC91(2015)062501 &  
arXiv:1605.00248

Electromagnetic data are explained when  
two-body correlations and currents are accounted for!

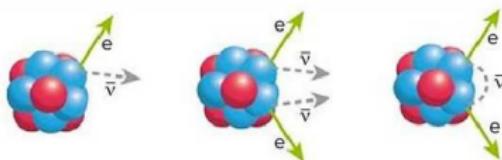
## Standard Beta Decay

Role of two-body correlations and two-body currents



\* Matrix Element  $\langle \Psi_f | GT | \Psi_i \rangle \propto g_A$  and Decay Rates  $\propto g_A^2$  \*

$$(Z, N) \rightarrow (Z+1, N-1) + e + \bar{\nu}_e$$



Standard β Decay

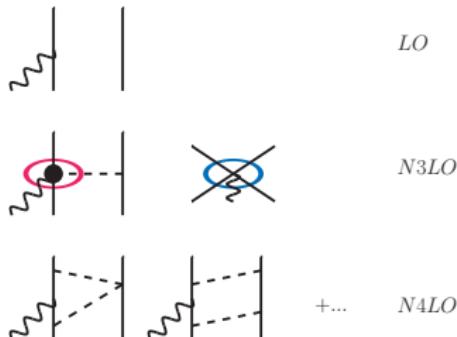
Double β Decay

Neutrinoless Double β Decay

## Nuclear Interactions and Axial Currents

$$H = T + V = \sum_{i=1}^A t_i + \sum_{i < j} \textcolor{blue}{v}_{ij} + \sum_{i < j < k} \textcolor{red}{V}_{ijk} + \dots$$

so far results are available with **AV18+IL7** ( $A \leq 10$ )  
and SNPA or chiral currents (*a.k.a.* hybrid calculations)



A. Baroni *et al.* PRC93(2016)015501

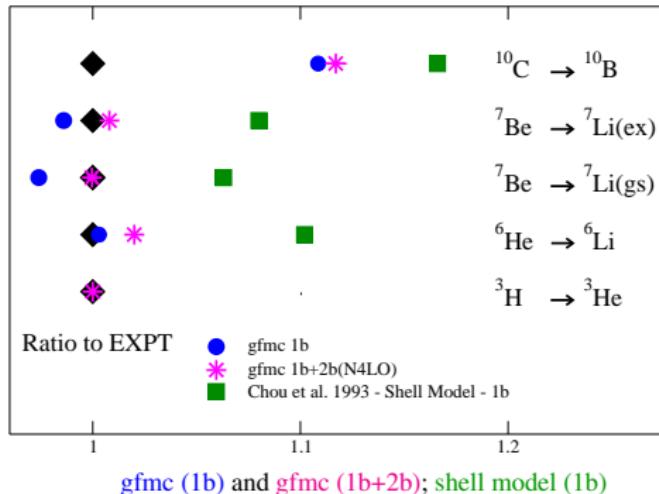
H. Krebs *et al.* Ann.Phys.378(2017)

- \*  $c_3$  and  $c_4$  are taken from Entem and Machleidt PRC68(2003)041001 & Phys.Rep.503(2011)1
- \*  $c_D$  fitted to GT m.e. of tritium Baroni *et al.* PRC94(2016)024003
- \* cutoffs  $\Lambda = 500$  and  $600$  MeV
- \* include also N4LO 3b currents (tiny)

\* derived by Park *et al.* in the '90 used at tree-level in many calculations (Song-Ho, Kubodera, Gazit, Marcucci, Lazauskas, Navratil ...)

\* pion-pole at tree-level derived by Klos, Hoferichter *et al.* PLB(2015)B746

## Single Beta Decay Matrix Elements in $A = 6-10$



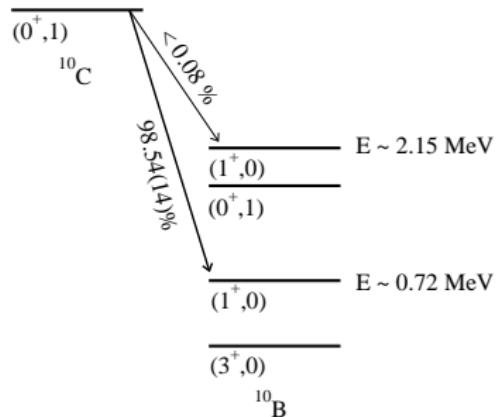
Based on  $g_A \sim 1.27$  no quenching factor

GT in  $^3\text{H}$  is fitted to expt - 2b give a 2% additive contribution to 1b prediction

\* similar results were obtained with MEC currents

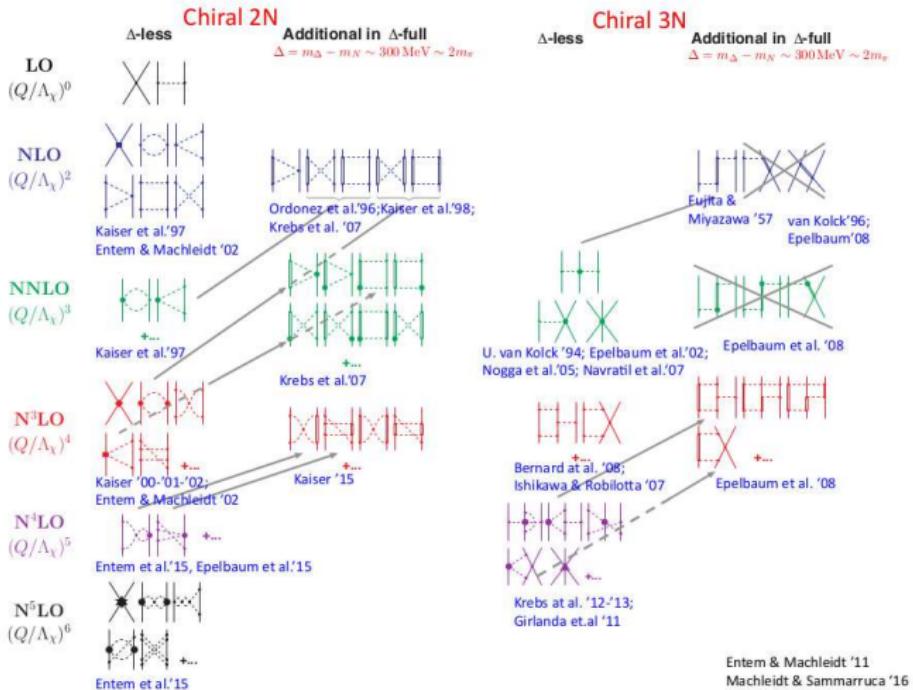
\* data from TUNL, Suzuki *et al.* PRC67(2003)044302, Chou *et al.* PRC47(1993)163

# $^{10}\text{B}$



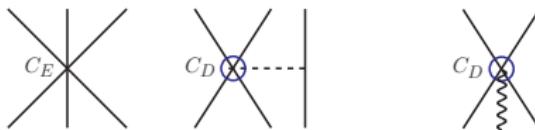
- \* In  $^{10}\text{B}$ ,  $\Delta E$  with same quantum numbers  $\sim 1.5 \text{ MeV}$
- \* In  $A = 7$ ,  $\Delta E$  with same quantum numbers  $\gtrsim 10 \text{ MeV}$

# Chiral calculations of beta decay m.e.'s: Nuclear Interaction



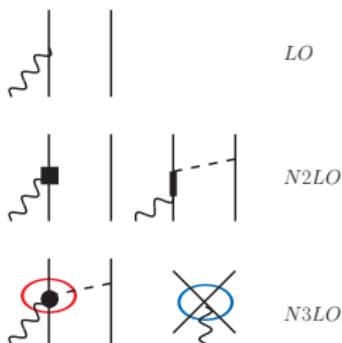
## Chiral calculations of beta decay m.e.'s: Nuclear Currents

\* Chiral interactions and axial currents



we now use

1. chiral 2– and 3–body interactions with  $\pi N$  and  $\Delta$ 's developed by Piarulli *et al.* and
2. axial currents with  $\Delta$ 's up to N3LO (tree-level) A. Baroni *et al.* arXiv:1806.10245 (2018)



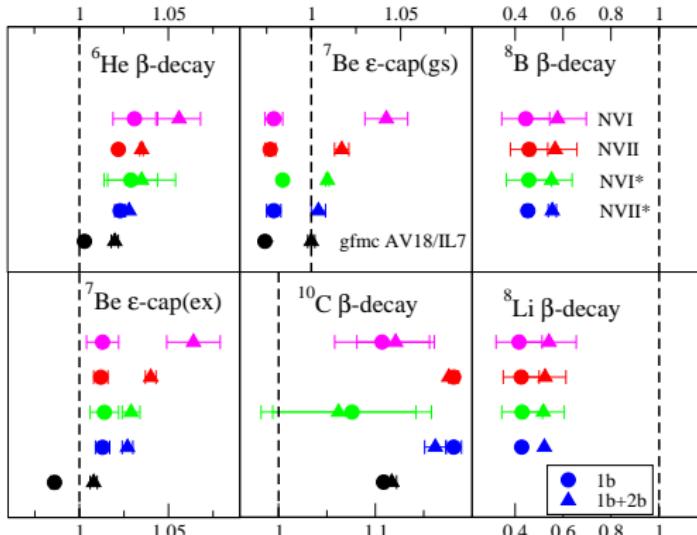
\*  $c_3$  and  $c_4$  are taken them from Krebs *et al.* Eur.Phys.J.(2007)A32

\*  $(c_D, c_E)$  fitted to  
a. trinucleon B.E. and  $nd$  doublet scattering length **NV models**

or

b. trinucleon B.E. and GT m.e. of tritium **NV\* models**

# Single Beta Decay Matrix Elements in $A = 6-10$ in chiEFT



NVI - database fitted up to 125 MeV -  $c_D, c_E$  fitted to B.E. and  $nd$ -scattering length (VMC calculations)

NVII - database fitted up to 200 MeV -  $c_D, c_E$  fitted to B.E. and  $nd$ -scattering length (VMC calculations)

NVI\* - database fitted up to 125 MeV -  $c_D, c_E$  fitted to B.E. and GT triton (VMC calculations)

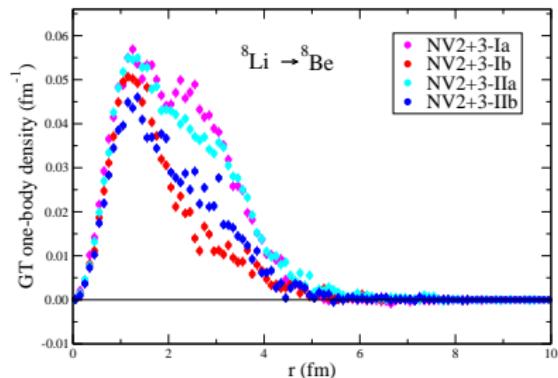
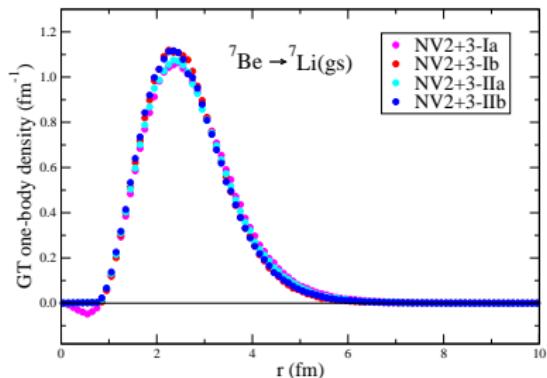
NVII\* - database fitted up to 200 MeV -  $c_D, c_E$  fitted to B.E. and GT triton (VMC calculations)

## PRELIMINARY

AV18+IL7 - database fitted up to 350 MeV -  $c_D$  fitted to GT triton (GFMC calculations)

in collaboration with Piarulli *et al.*

# Single Beta Decay Matrix Element Densities in chiEFT

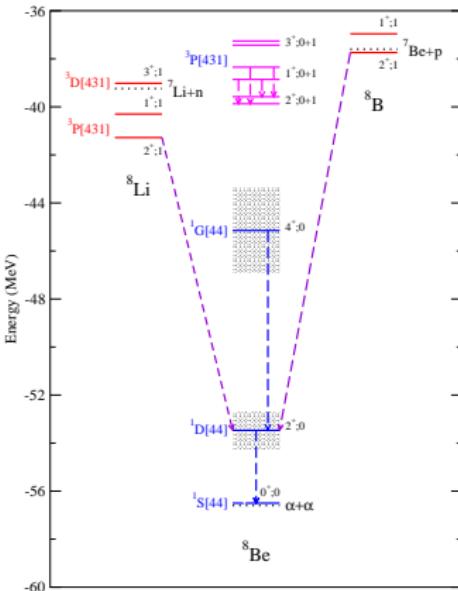


in collaboration with Piarulli *et al.*

based on chiral axial currents from [A. Baroni \*et al.\* PRC93\(2016\)015501 & arXiv:1806.10245 \(2018\)](#)

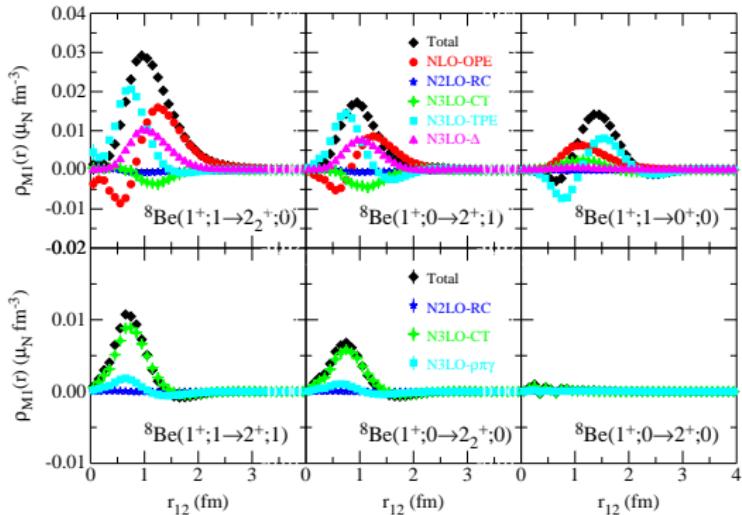
PRELIMINARY

## EM and GT transitions in $A = 8$ nuclei



- \*  $\text{B}(\text{M1})$  in  $^8\text{Be}$  are calculated at the  $\sim 10\%$  level due to rich spectrum; presence of isospin-mixed states; transitions operators coupling “big” with “small components”
- \*  $10\% - 30\%$  correction from two-body currents in M1 transitions
- \*  $^8\text{Li}$  and  $^8\text{B}$  GT rme with one-body currents alone are  $\sim 30\%$  smaller than expt; we expect large effect from two-body currents

## Two-body M1 transitions densities



$(J_l, T_l) \rightarrow (J_f, T_f)$	IA	NLO-OPE	N2LO-RC	N3LO-TPE	N3LO-CT	N3LO-Δ	MEC
$(1^+; 1) \rightarrow (2_2^+; 0)$	2.461 (13)	0.457 (3)	-0.058 (1)	0.095 (2)	-0.035 (3)	0.161 (21)	0.620 (5)

# The Present and Future of Quantum Monte Carlo Calculations

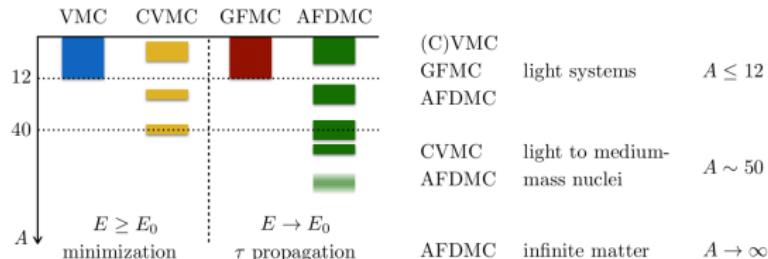
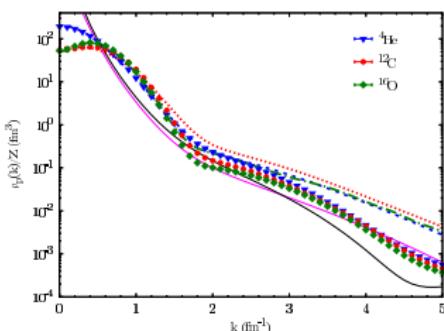


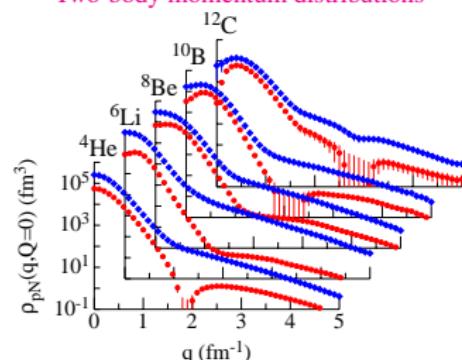
figure by Lonardoni

Use of Quantum Computers is being also explored - Roggero, Baroni, Carlson, Perdue *et al.*

## One-body momentum distributions



## Two-body momentum distributions



Lonardoni *et al.* to appear on PRC arXiv:1804.08027

Wiringa *et al.* PRC89(2014)024305

One-body momentum distributions <http://www.phy.anl.gov/theory/research/momenta/>  
Two-body momentum distributions <http://www.phy.anl.gov/theory/research/momenta2/>

## Summary and Outlook

### Two-nucleon correlations and two-body electroweak currents

are crucial to explain available experimental data of both static (ground state properties) and dynamical (cross sections and rates) nuclear observables

- \* We validate the computational framework vs electromagnetic data
  - \* Two-body electromagnetic currents successfully tested in  $A \leq 12$  nuclei
  - \*  $\sim 40\%$  two-body contribution found in  ${}^9\text{C}$ 's magnetic moments
  - \*  $\sim 10\text{--}30\%$  two-body contributions found in M1 transitions in low-lying states of  $A \leq 8$  nuclei
  - \* Calculations of  $\beta$ -decay matrix elements in  $A \leq 10$  nuclei in agreement with the data at 2% – 3% level
  - \* in  $A \leq 10$  two-body currents ( $q \sim 0$ ) are small ( $\sim 2\text{--}3\%$ ) while correlations are crucial to improve agreement with expt
  - Study beta-decay within chiral framework (in progress)
  - Study beta-decay densities (in progress)
  - Extend calculations to  $A \sim 40$  in AFDMC (in progress by LANL group)
  - Explore different kinematics for neutrino-nucleus interactions (including evaluation of the spectrum)
- \* We are developing a coherent picture for neutrino-nucleus interactions