

# LARGE-SCALE DIAGONALIZATION, BETA-DECAY, AND LOW-MOMENTUM SCALES OF FINITE NUCLEI

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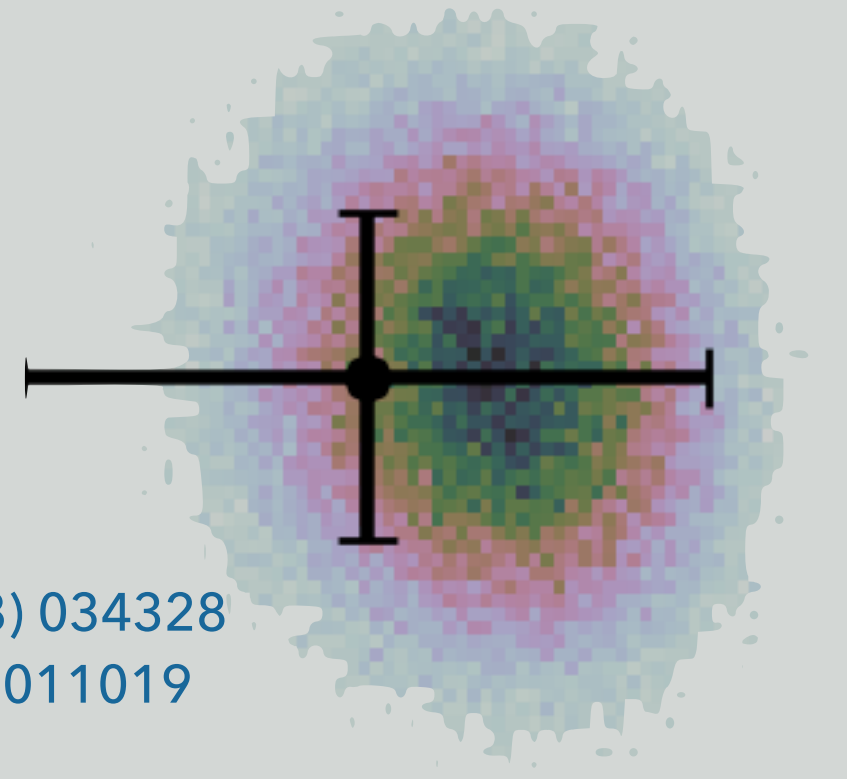
# Outline

## ▶ Part 1:

### The nuclear many-body problem and uncertainties

- ▶ Interactions and many-body solvers
- ▶ Convergence and limitations for the ab initio No-Core Shell Model

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## ▶ Part 2:

### Selected (preliminary) results

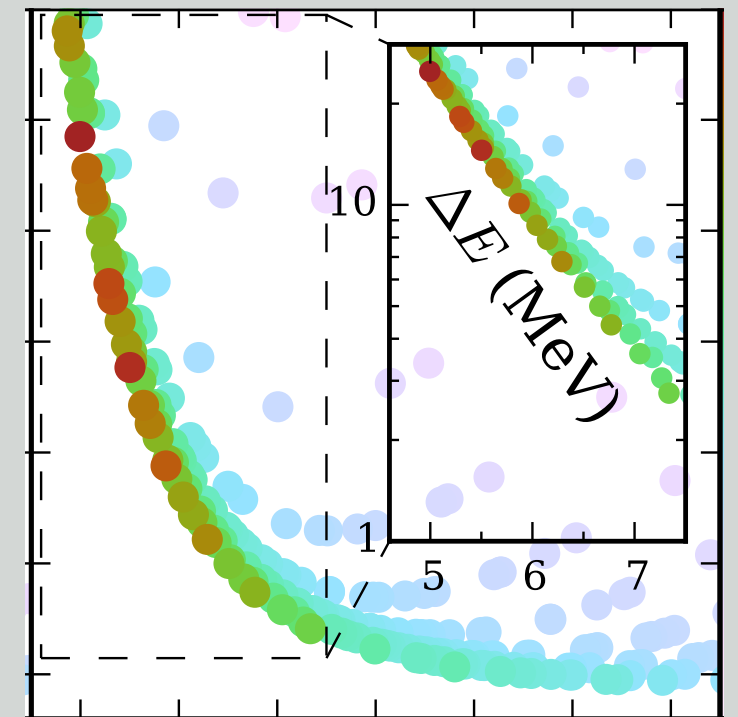
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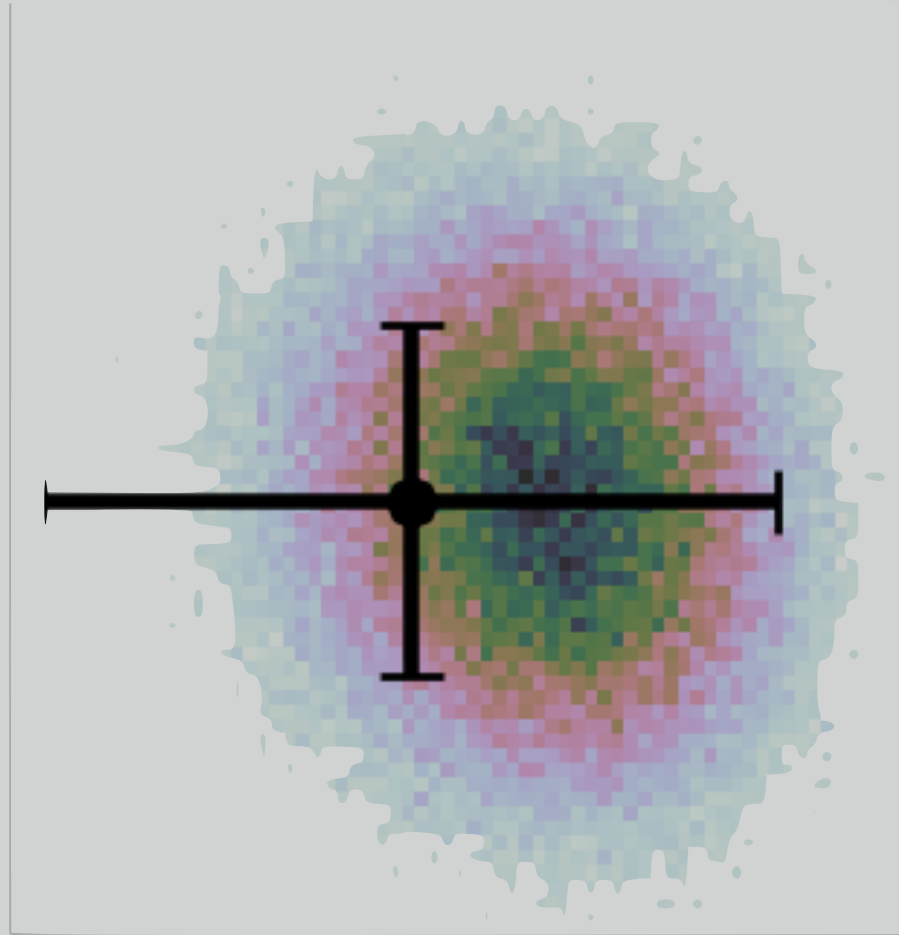
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### Many-body systems in finite oscillator spaces

- ▶ IR extrapolations at fixed UV cutoff
- ▶ Low-momentum scales of finite nuclei

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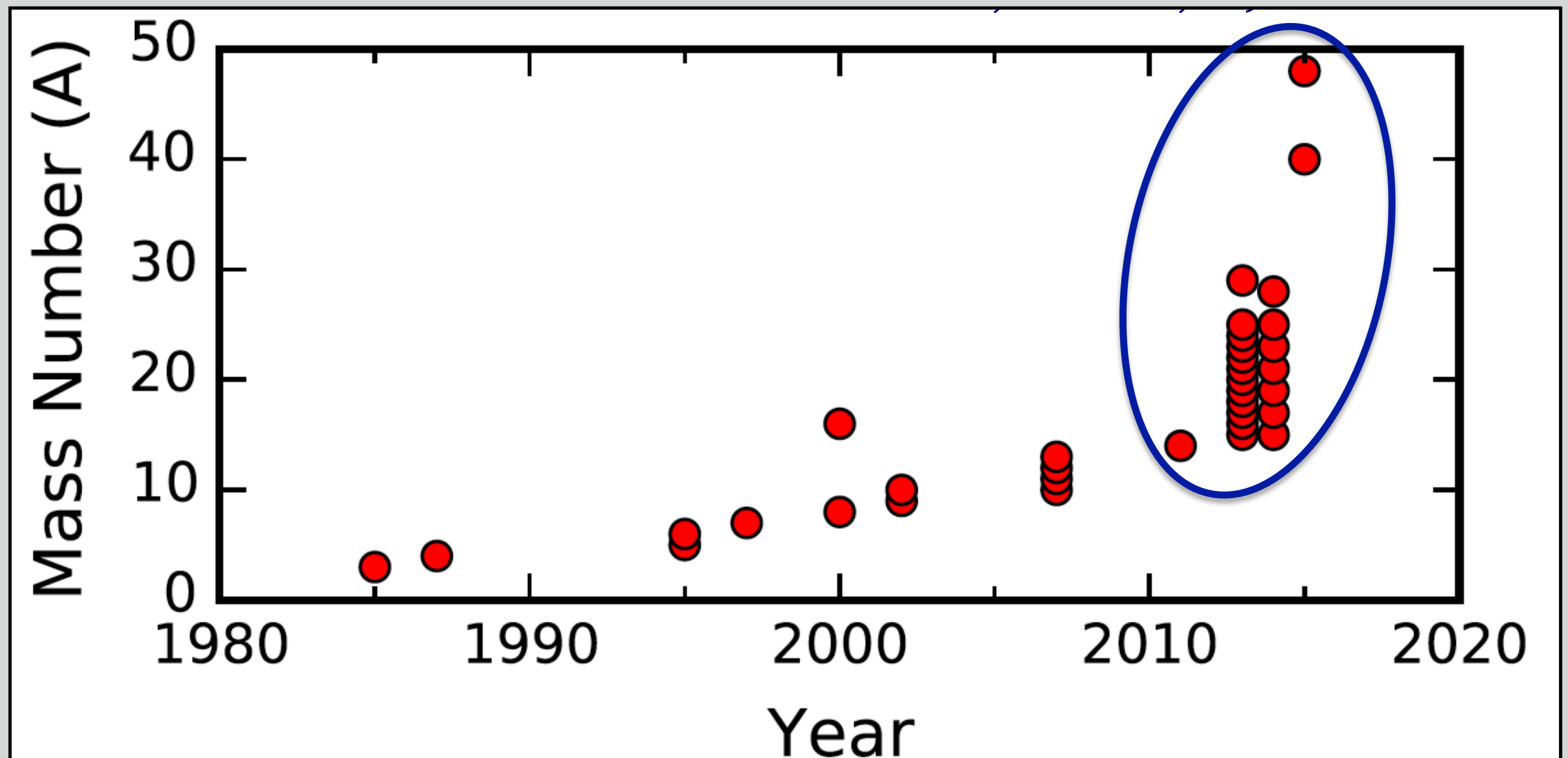


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# SUMMARY — PART 1A

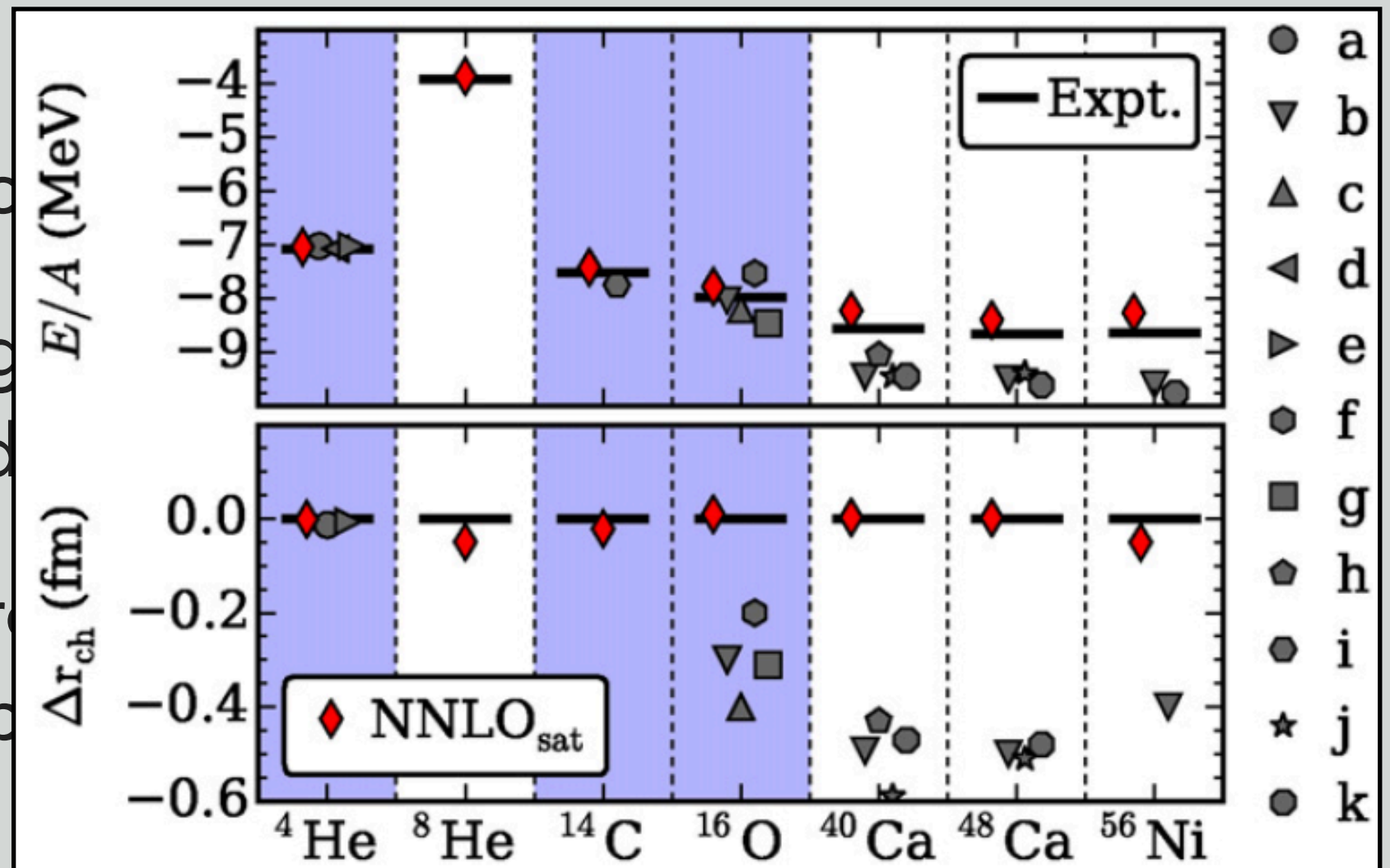
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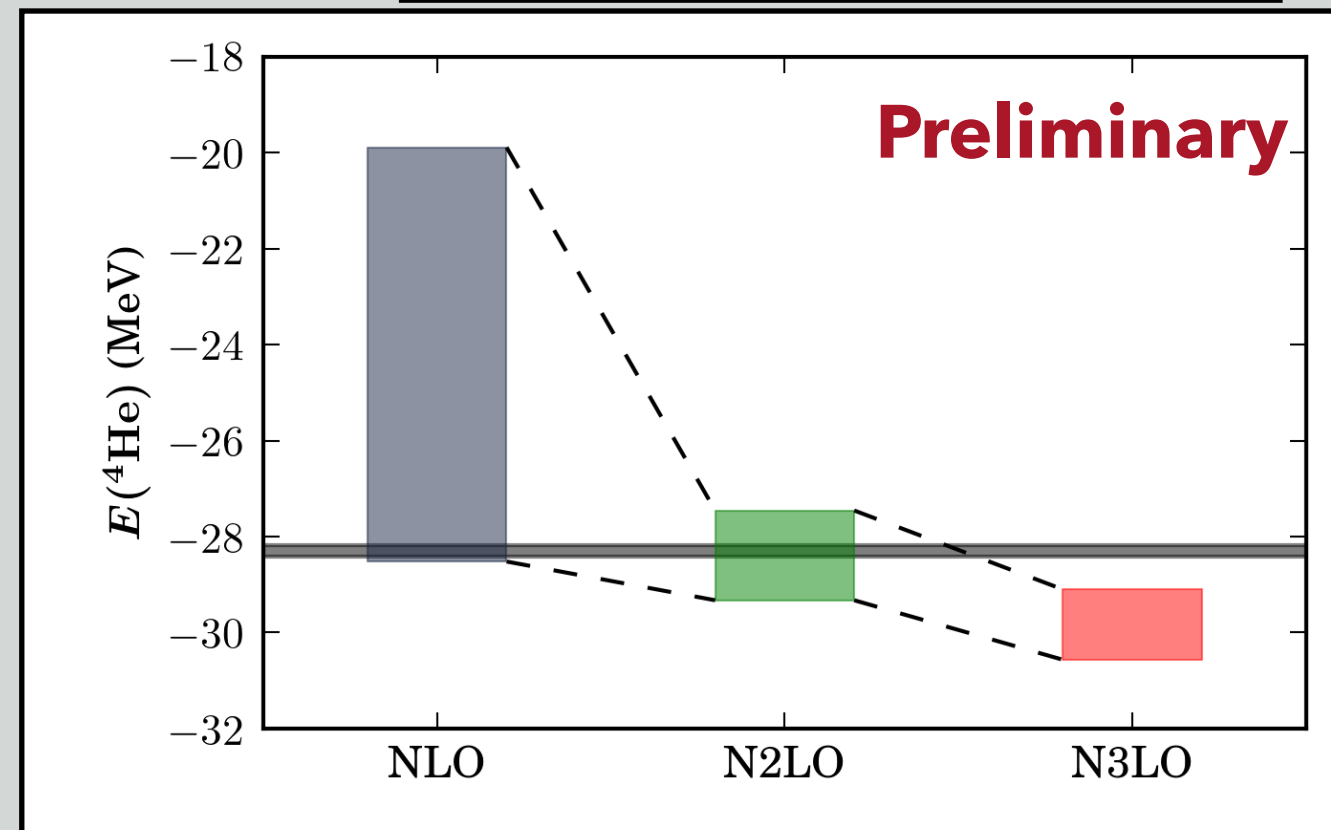
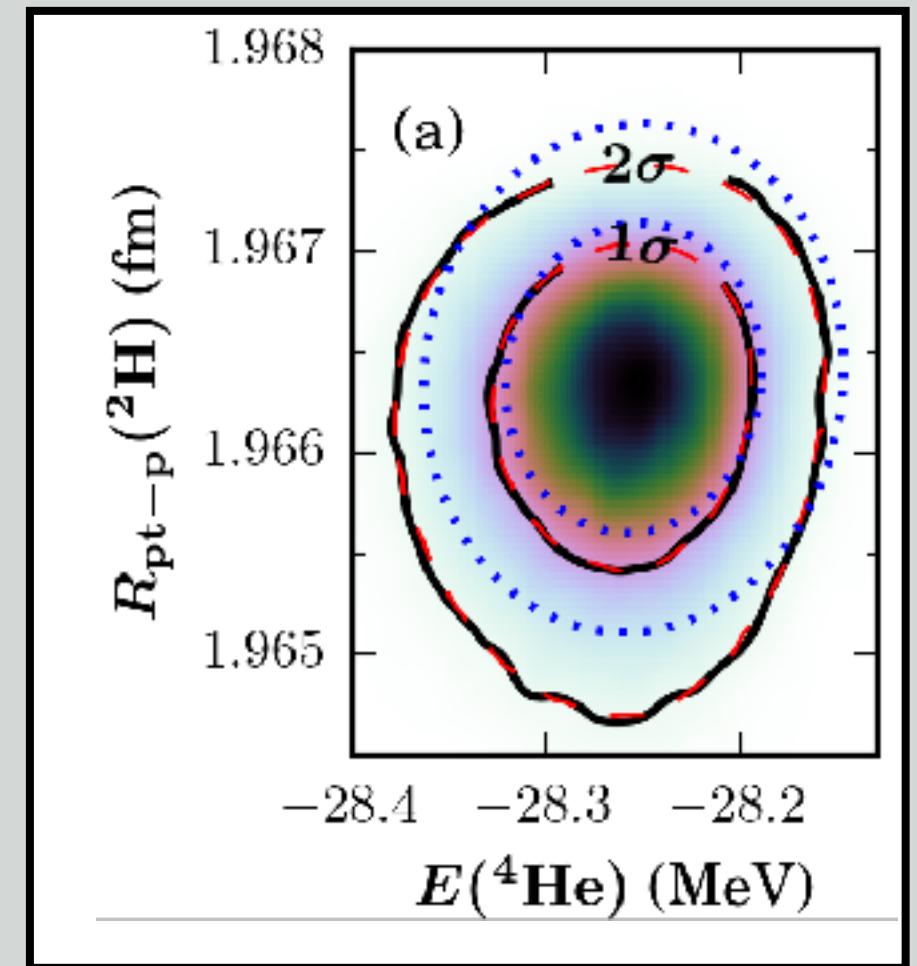
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  - different fitting strategies (saturation point); including intermediate delta particle; revisit power counting.
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# QUANTIFIED THEORETICAL UNCERTAINTIES

- ▶ **Statistical:** parametric uncertainties (should be done also for phenomenological models).
- ▶ **Systematic:** method (many-body solver) and numerical uncertainty.
- ▶ **Systematic:** physics model uncertainty.



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# **Part 1b:**

# **Ab initio No-Core Shell Model**

# The no-core shell model

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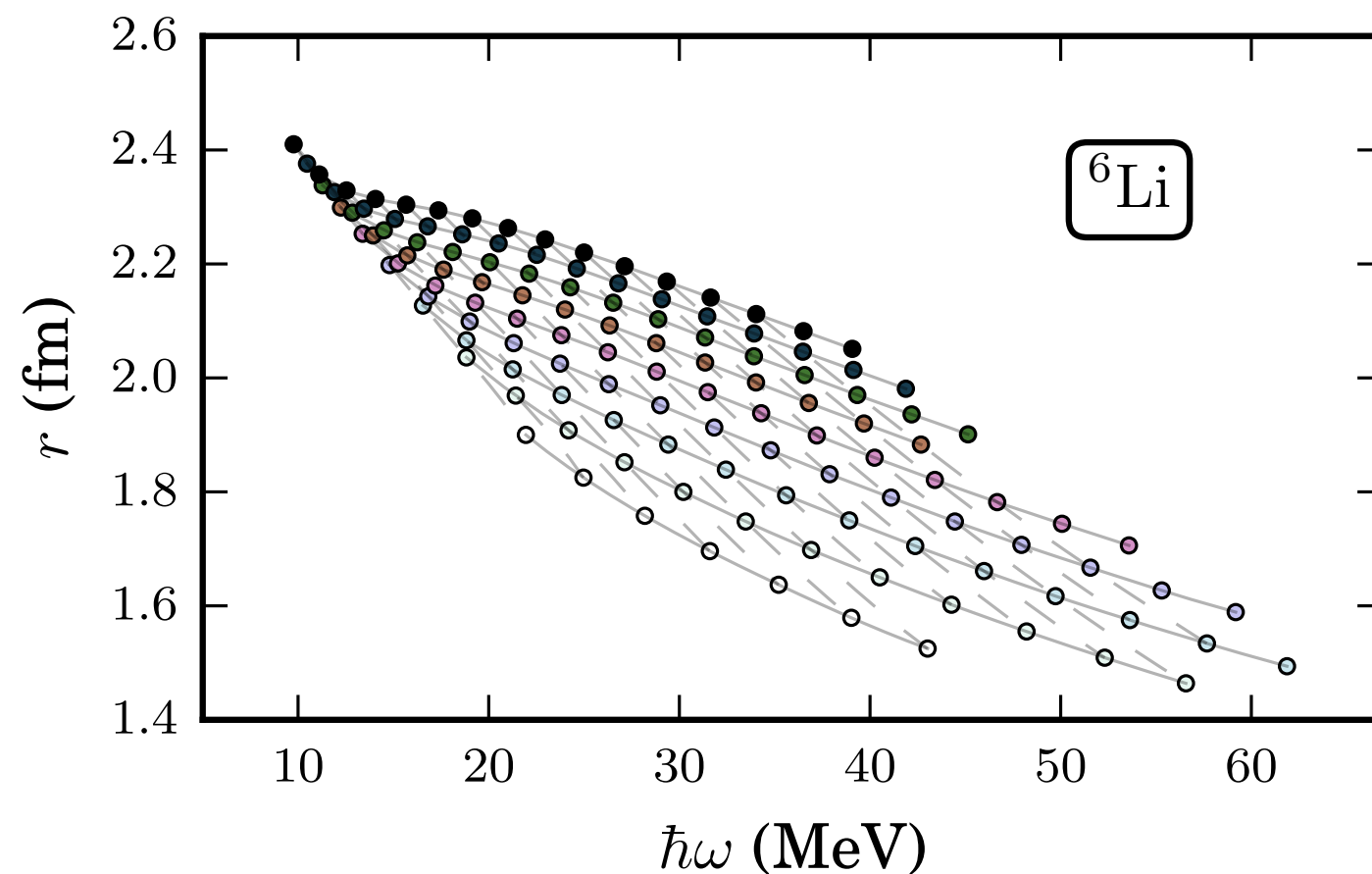
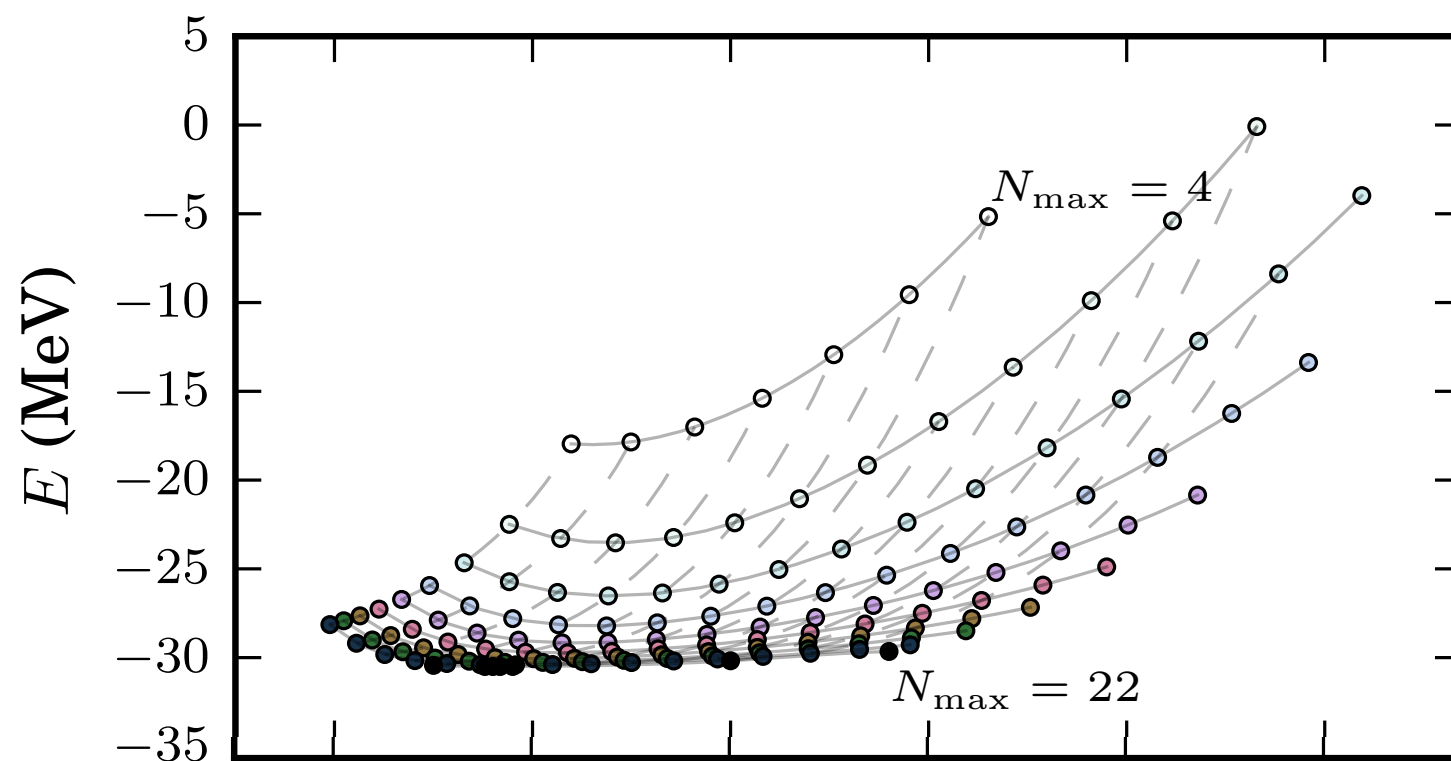
- ▶ Many-body Schrödinger equation
  - A-nucleon wave function;
  - Non-relativistic, point nucleons

- ▶ Hamiltonian:

$$H_A = \frac{1}{A} \sum_{i < j}^A \frac{(\vec{p}_i - \vec{p}_j)^2}{2m} + \sum_{i < j}^A V_{NN,ij} + \sum_{i < j < k}^A V_{NNN,ijk}$$

- ▶ Many-body basis: Slater determinants composed of harmonic oscillator single-particle states
- ▶ Respects translational invariance and includes full antisymmetrization

# The no-core shell model

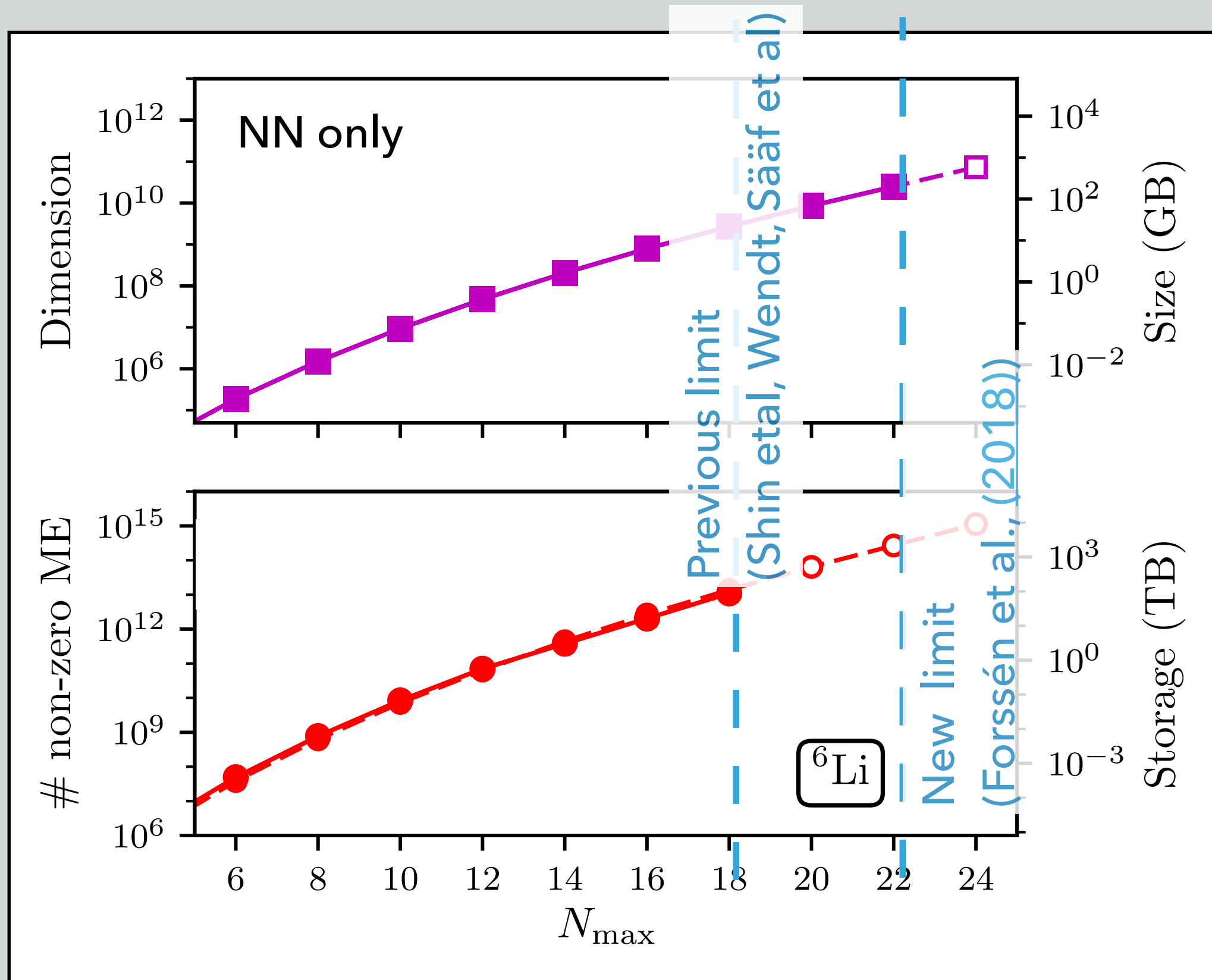


Bare interactions used  
(here NNLOopt).

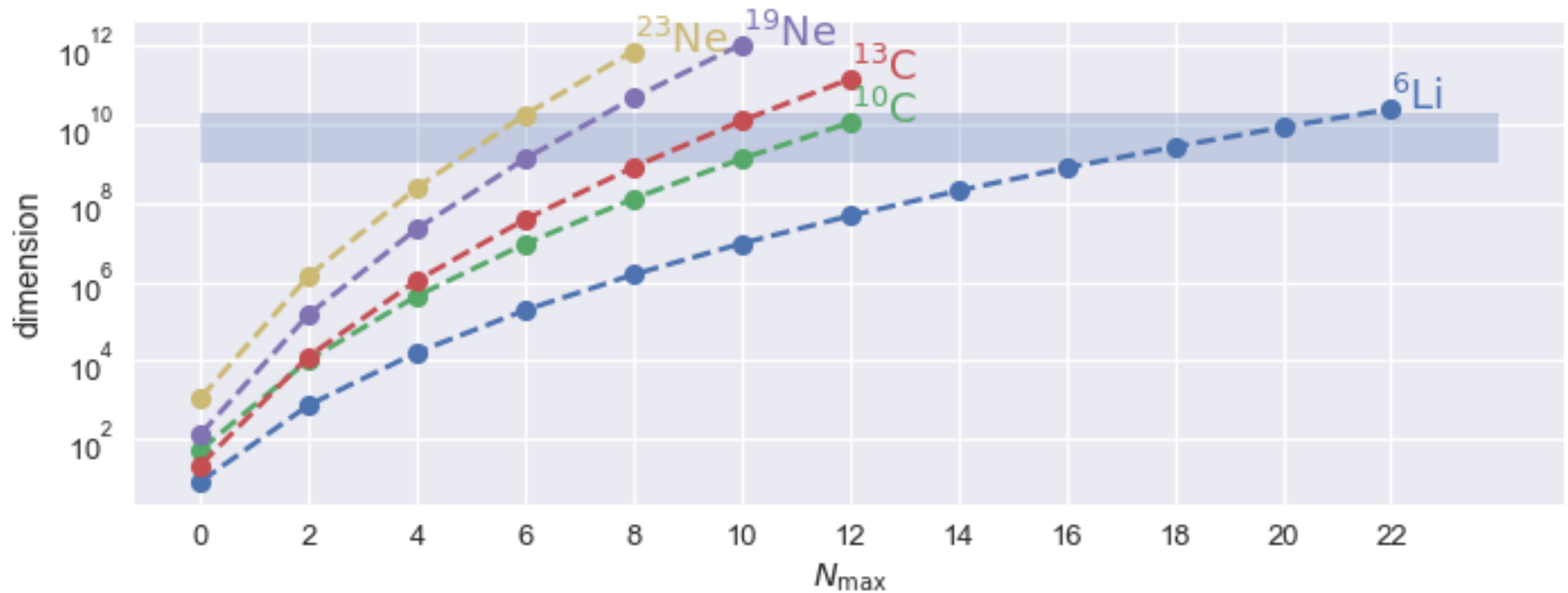
Model space  
parameters:  $N_{\max}$  and  
HO frequency.

Convergence pattern  
needs to be understood  
(part 3).

# The NCSM curse of dimensionality - explicit matrix storage



# Dimensions: p- and sd-shell





# Transition densities



$$\left( \xi_f J_f \parallel T_\lambda \parallel \xi_i J_i \right) = \hat{\lambda}^{-1} \sum \left( a \parallel T_\lambda \parallel b \right) \left( \xi_f J_f \parallel [a_a^\dagger a_b]_\lambda \parallel \xi_i J_i \right)$$

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$$\left( \xi_f J_f \parallel T_\lambda \parallel \xi_i J_i \right) = \hat{\lambda}^{-1} \sum \left( a, b \parallel T_\lambda \parallel c, d \right) \left( \xi_f J_f \parallel \left[ a_a^\dagger a_b^\dagger a_c a_d \right]_\lambda \parallel \xi_i J_i \right)$$

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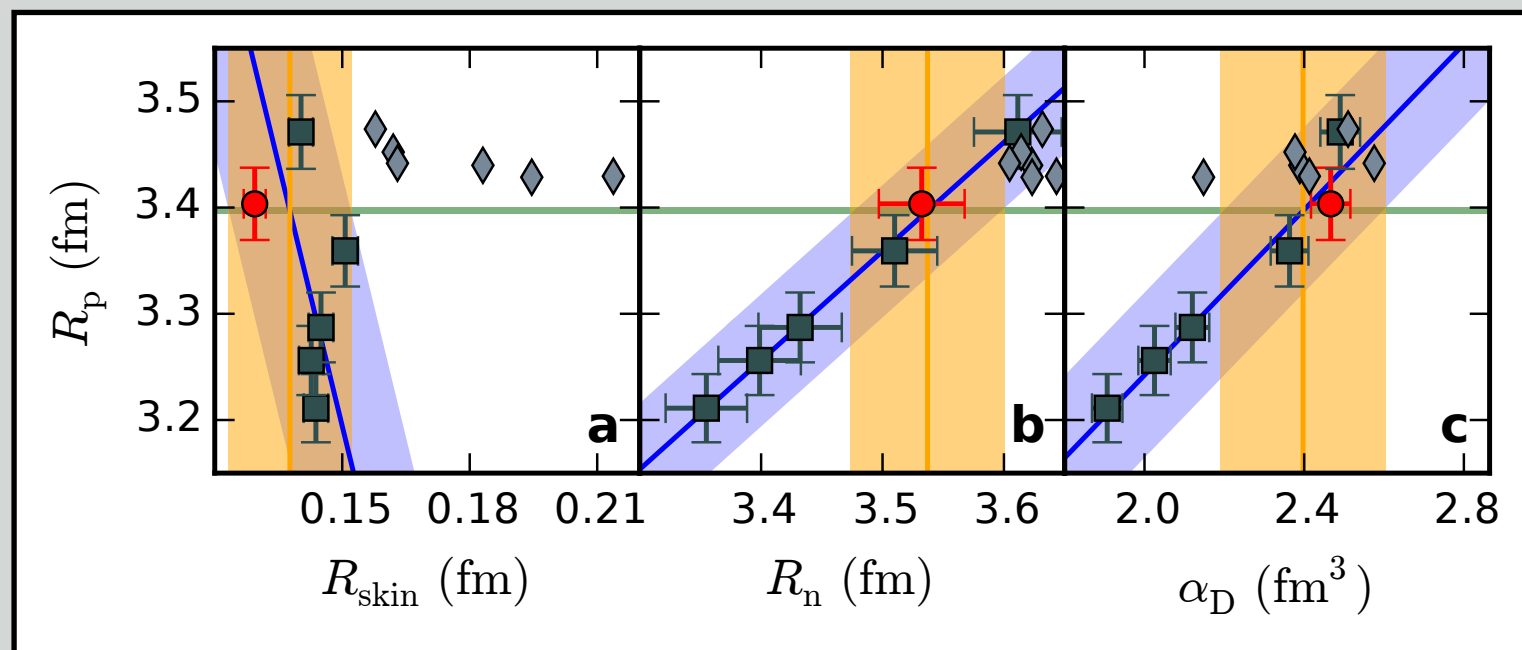
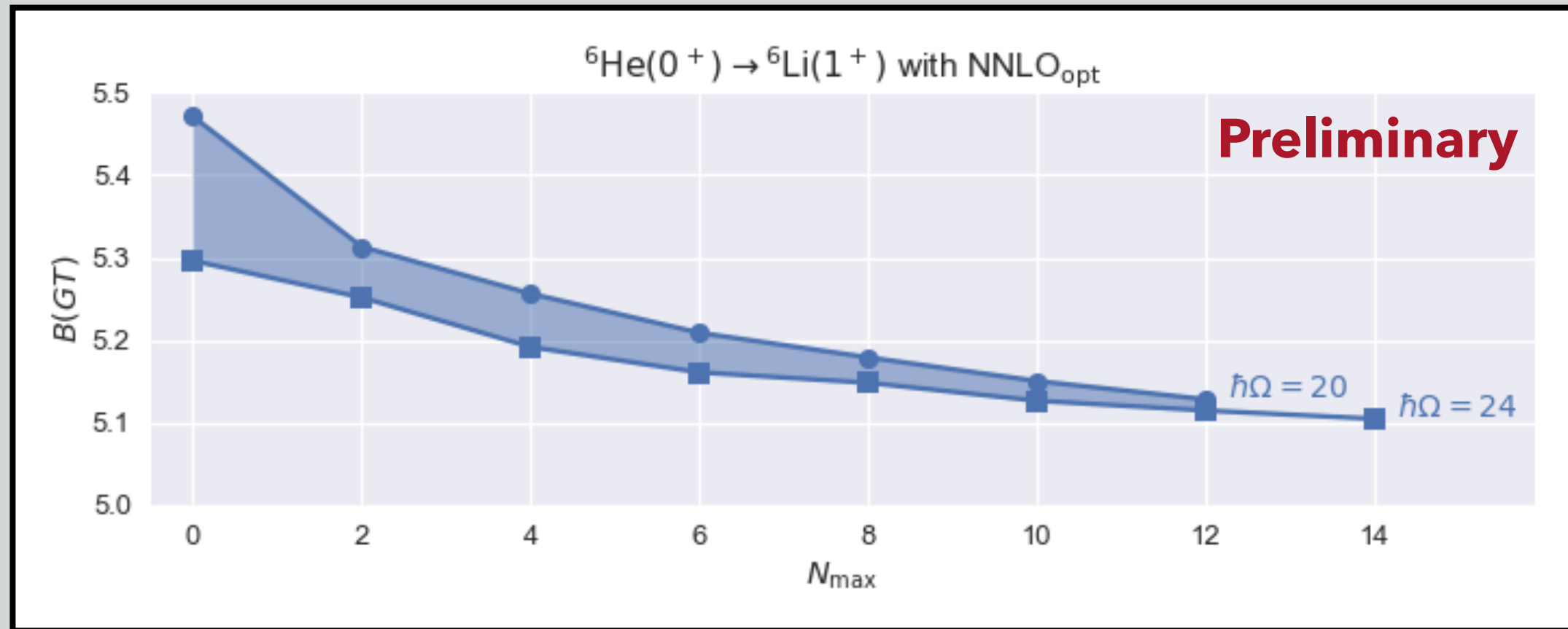
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# Part 2:

# Selected (preliminary) results

# A=6 Gamow-Teller transition (IA)



Possibly employ correlation studies to constrain prediction.

# A=19 Gamow-Teller transition

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N <sub>max</sub>	B(GT) <sup>6</sup> He(0 <sup>+</sup> ) → <sup>6</sup> Li(1 <sup>+</sup> ) <i>ħΩ</i> =24 MeV	B(GT) <sup>19</sup> Ne(1/2 <sup>+</sup> ) → <sup>19</sup> F(1/2 <sup>+</sup> ) <i>ħΩ</i> =28 MeV
2	5.251	2.013
4	5.191	2.059
...	...	
14	5.104	Preliminary

# Dark matter scattering off nuclei

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Rate of nuclear scattering events in direct detection experiments:

$$\frac{d\mathcal{R}}{dq^2} = \frac{\rho_\chi}{m_A m_\chi} \int d^3\vec{v} f(\vec{v} + \vec{v}_e) v \frac{d\sigma}{dq^2}$$

- astrophysics  $\rightarrow m_\chi, \rho_\chi, f$  - dark matter mass, density, velocity distributions
- particle and nuclear physics  $\rightarrow \frac{d\sigma}{dq^2}$

Scattering cross section:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dq^2} = \frac{1}{(2J+1)v^2} \sum_{\tau, \tau'} \left[ \sum_{\ell=M, \Sigma', \Sigma''} R_\ell^{\tau\tau'} W_\ell^{\tau\tau'} + \frac{q^2}{m_N^2} \sum_{\ell=\Phi'', \Phi''M, \tilde{\Phi}', \Delta, \Delta\Sigma'} R_\ell^{\tau\tau'} W_\ell^{\tau\tau'} \right]$$

- dark matter response functions  $R_m^{\tau\tau'} \left( v_T^{\perp 2}, \frac{q^2}{m_N^2}, c_i^\tau c_j^{\tau'} \right)$
- nuclear response functions  $W_\ell^{\tau\tau'}(q^2)$

Uncertainties?

- $\rho_\chi$ :  $\pm 30\%$ ,  $f(\vec{v})$ :  $\pm?$  (important only for light DM),  $W_I^{\tau\tau'}$ :  $\pm?$

# Non-relativistic EFT and nuclear response functions

- nuclear response functions:

$$W_{AB}^{\tau\tau'}(q^2) = \sum_{L \leq 2J} \langle J, T, M_T | \hat{A}_{L;\tau}(q) | J, T, M_T \rangle \langle J, T, M_T | \hat{B}_{L;\tau'}(q) | J, T, M_T \rangle$$

- $\hat{A}_{L;\tau}, \hat{B}_{L;\tau}$  – nuclear response operators:

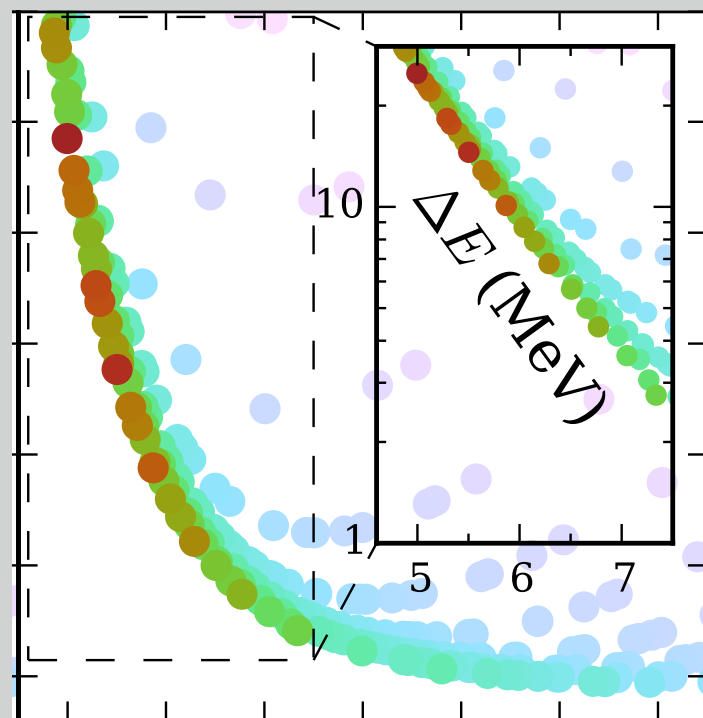
$$M_{LM;\tau}(q) = \sum_{i=1}^A M_{LM}(q\rho_i) t_{(i)}^\tau, \quad \Sigma'_{LM;\tau}(q) = -i \sum_{i=1}^A \left[ \frac{1}{q} \vec{\nabla}_{\rho_i} \times \mathbf{M}_{LL}^M(q\rho_i) \right] \cdot \vec{\sigma}_{(i)} t_{(i)}^\tau,$$

$$\Sigma''_{LM;\tau}(q) = \sum_{i=1}^A \left[ \frac{1}{q} \vec{\nabla}_{\rho_i} M_{LM}(q\rho_i) \right] \cdot \vec{\sigma}_{(i)} t_{(i)}^\tau, \quad \Delta_{LM;\tau}(q) = \sum_{i=1}^A \mathbf{M}_{LL}^M(q\rho_i) \cdot \frac{1}{q} \vec{\nabla}_{\rho_i} t_{(i)}^\tau,$$

$$\tilde{\Phi}'_{LM;\tau}(q) = \sum_{i=1}^A \left[ \left( \frac{1}{q} \vec{\nabla}_{\rho_i} \times \mathbf{M}_{LL}^M(q\rho_i) \right) \cdot \left( \vec{\sigma}_{(i)} \times \frac{1}{q} \vec{\nabla}_{\rho_i} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{M}_{LL}^M(q\rho_i) \cdot \vec{\sigma}_{(i)} \right] t_{(i)}^\tau,$$

$$\Phi''_{LM;\tau}(q) = i \sum_{i=1}^A \left( \frac{1}{q} \vec{\nabla}_{\rho_i} M_{LM}(q\rho_i) \right) \cdot \left( \vec{\sigma}_{(i)} \times \frac{1}{q} \vec{\nabla}_{\rho_i} \right) t_{(i)}^\tau$$

- nuclear ground-state wave functions  $|J, T, M_T\rangle$   
calculated within (no-core) shell model



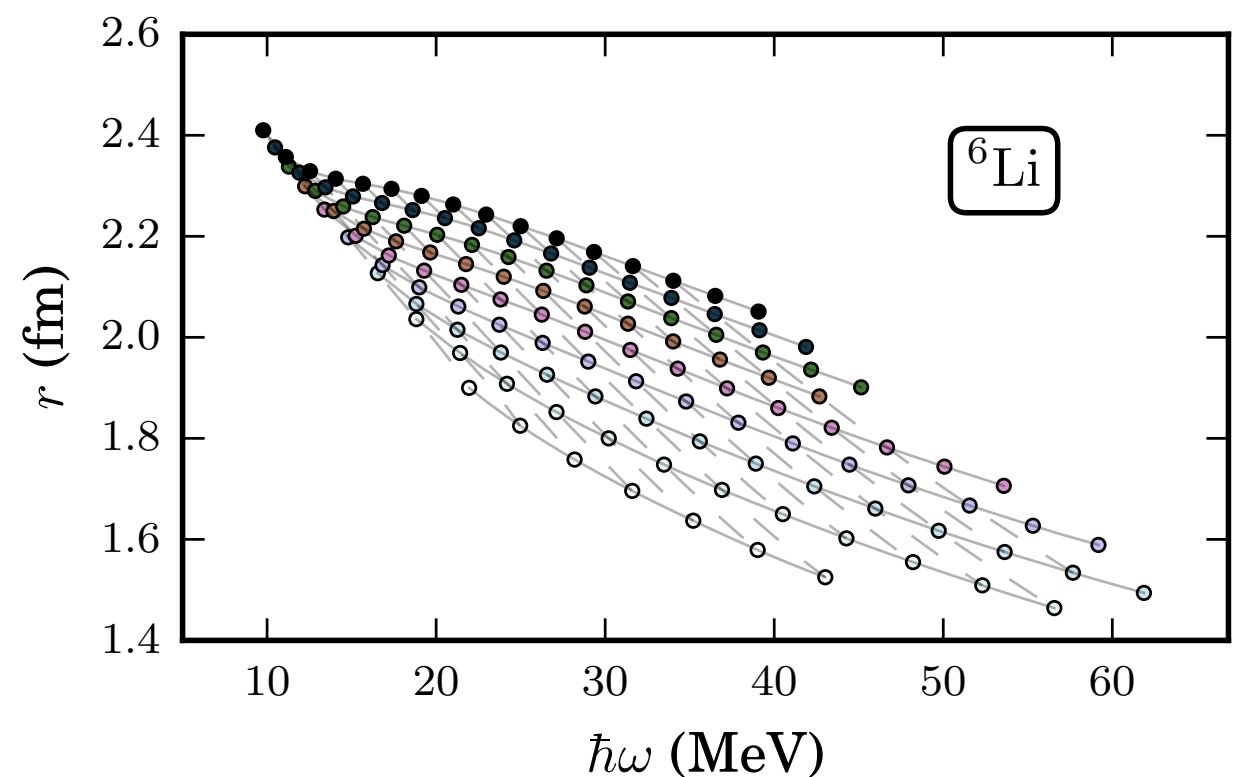
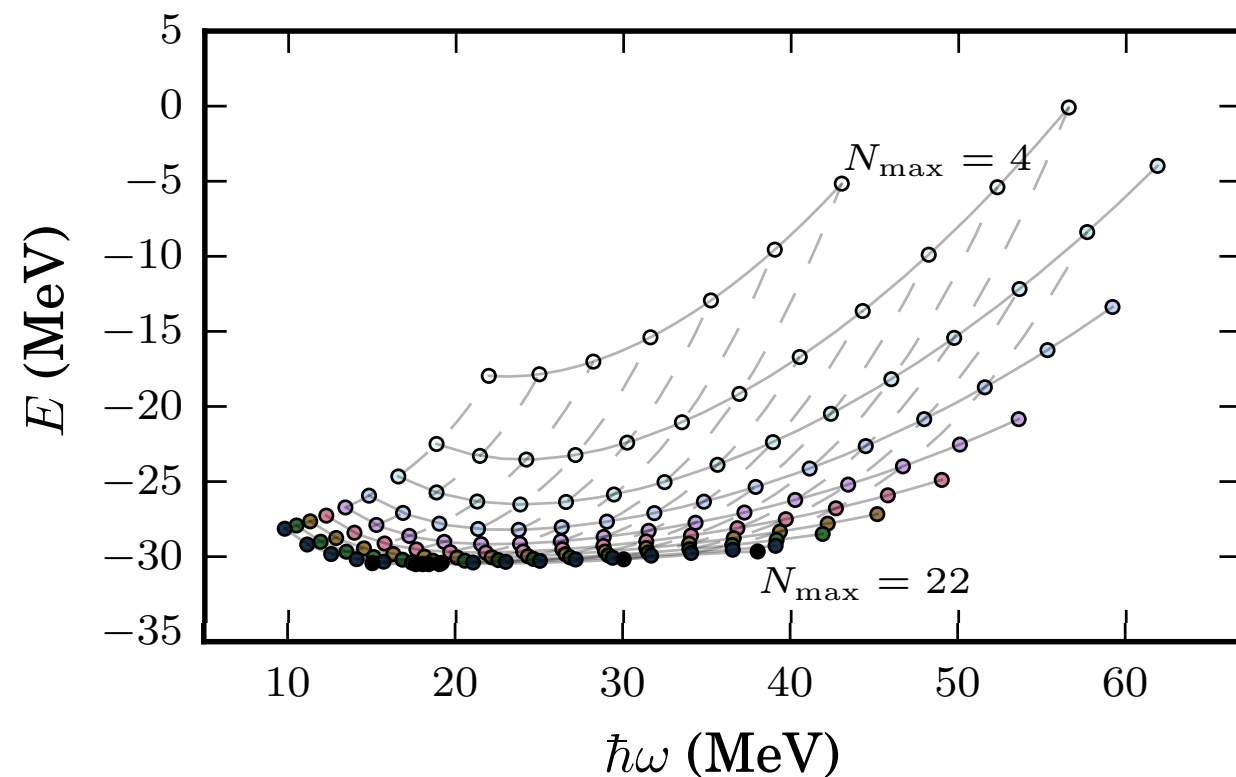
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# Part 3: Many-body systems in finite oscillator spaces



# 6-Li ground-state observables

NN interaction: NNLOOpt (Ekström et al, 2013)



- From  $N_{\text{max}}=20$  to 22 the variational minimum changes by  $< 90$  keV.
- However, mostly we will be restricted to smaller model spaces.
- Convergence behaviour of radius?

# Convergence in finite oscillator spaces

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- ▶ What is the equivalent of Lüscher's formula for the harmonic oscillator basis?  
[Lüscher, Comm. Math. Phys. 104, 177 (1986)]
- ▶ Convergence in momentum space (UV) and in position space (IR) needed  
[Stetcu et al. (2007); Coon et al. (2012); Furnstahl et al. (2012, 2015); König et al. (2014)]
- ▶ Choose regime  $(N, \hbar\omega)$  with negligible UV corrections.
- ▶ The infrared error term is universal for short range Hamiltonians.
- ▶ It can be systematically corrected and resembles error from putting system into an infinite well.

$$E(L) = E_\infty + Ae^{-2k_\infty L} + \mathcal{O}(e^{-4k_\infty L})$$

$$\langle r^2 \rangle_L \approx \langle r^2 \rangle_\infty [1 - (c_0 \beta^3 + c_1 \beta + c_2) e^{-\beta}]$$

# What (precisely) is the IR scale L?

**Key idea:** compute eigenvalues of kinetic energy and compare with *corresponding* (hyper)spherical cavity to find L.

What is the corresponding cavity?

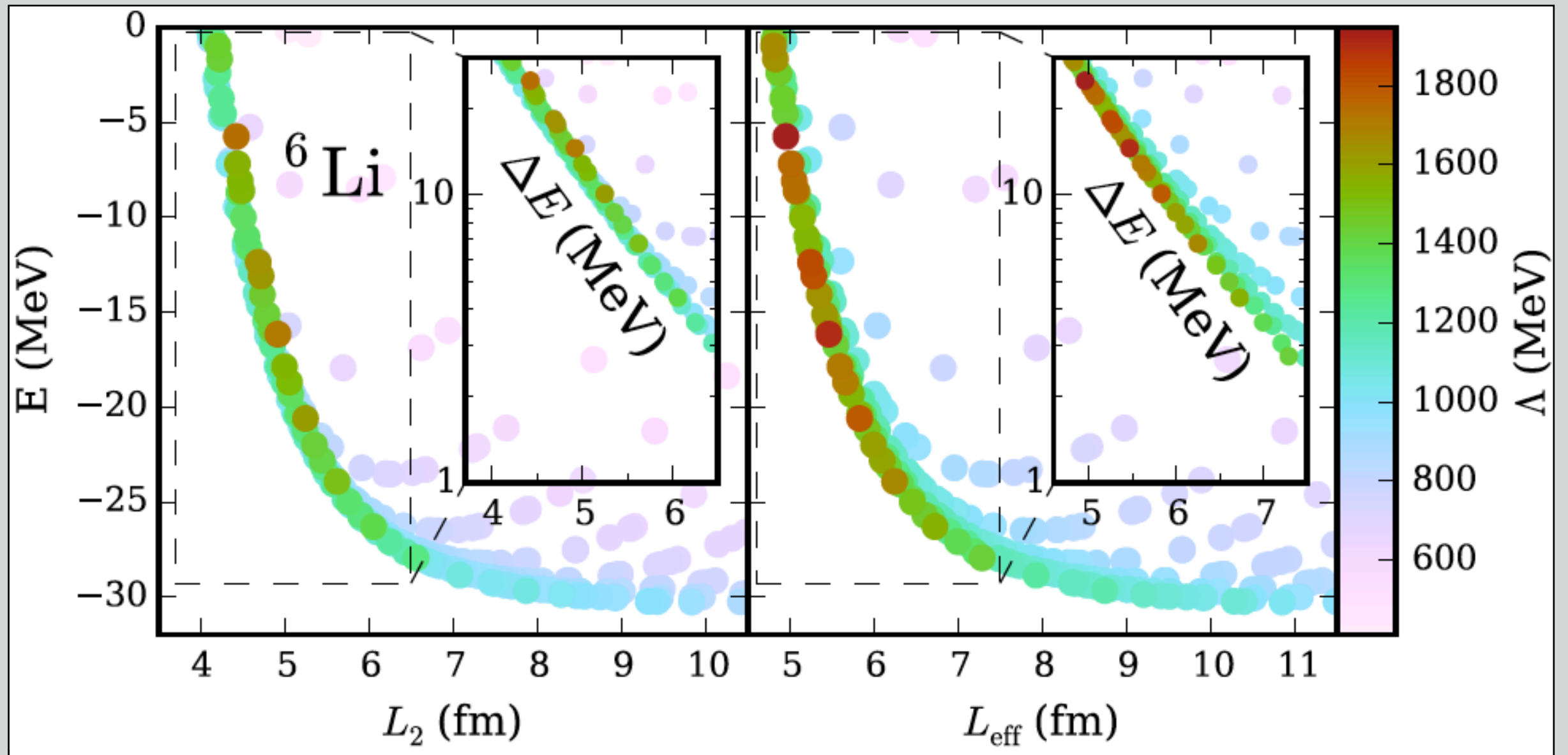
Single particle	A particles (product space)	A particles in No-core shell model
Diagonalize $T_{\text{kin}}=p^2$	Diagonalize A-body $T_{\text{kin}}$	Diagonalize A-body $T_{\text{kin}}$
3D spherical cavity	A fermions in 3D cavity	3(A-1) hyper-radial cavity
$L_2 = \sqrt{2(N + 3/2 + 2)}b \quad L_{\text{eff}} = \left( \frac{\sum_{nl} \nu_{nl} a_{l,n}^2}{\sum_{nl} \nu_{nl} \kappa_{l,n}^2} \right)^{1/2} \quad L_{\text{eff}} = b \frac{X_{1,\mathcal{L}}}{\sqrt{T_{1,\mathcal{L}}(N_{\text{max}}^{\text{tot}})}}$		

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# IR length in NCSM spaces



Diagonalize kinetic energy in  $3(A-1)$  dimensional harmonic oscillator; seek lowest antisymmetric state and equate to hyperspherical cavity with radius  $L_{\text{eff}}$ .

# A practical approach to IR extrapolations

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- ▶ In practice it is often challenging to fulfill:
  - 1.... being UV converged
  2. ... reaching asymptotically large values of  $k_\infty L$
- ▶ Moreover, we lack a physical interpretation of  $k_\infty$  for many-body systems.

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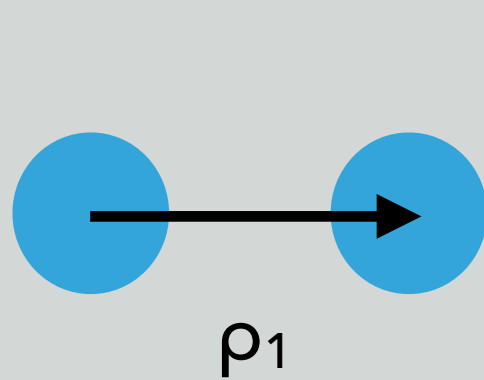
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- ▶ Perform instead the extrapolation at a fixed (not necessarily UV converged) value of  $\Lambda$
- ▶ The LO IR extrapolation becomes

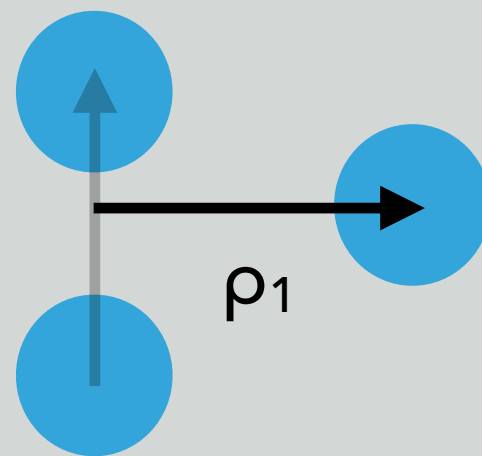
$$E(L, \Lambda) = E_{\infty}(\Lambda) + a(\Lambda) \exp[-2k_{\infty}(\Lambda)L]$$

- ▶ Previous work on UV corrections [eg. Furnstahl et al. 2012] just represents a special case of this general formula.
- ▶ We treat  $E_{\infty}(\Lambda)$ ,  $a(\Lambda)$ ,  $k_{\infty}(\Lambda)$  as fit parameters; and include also an estimated NLO correction as a weighting factor.

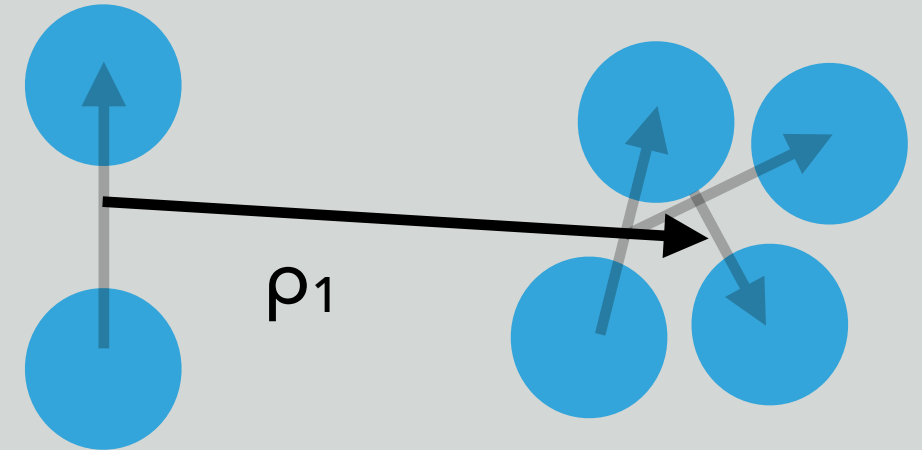
# Hyperradial well, explains low-momentum scale



$d=p+n$



${}^3\text{H}=d+n$



${}^6\text{Li}=d+{}^4\text{He}$

NCSM: hyper-radial well

$$\vec{\rho}^2 = \sum_{j=1}^{A-1} \vec{\rho}_j^2$$

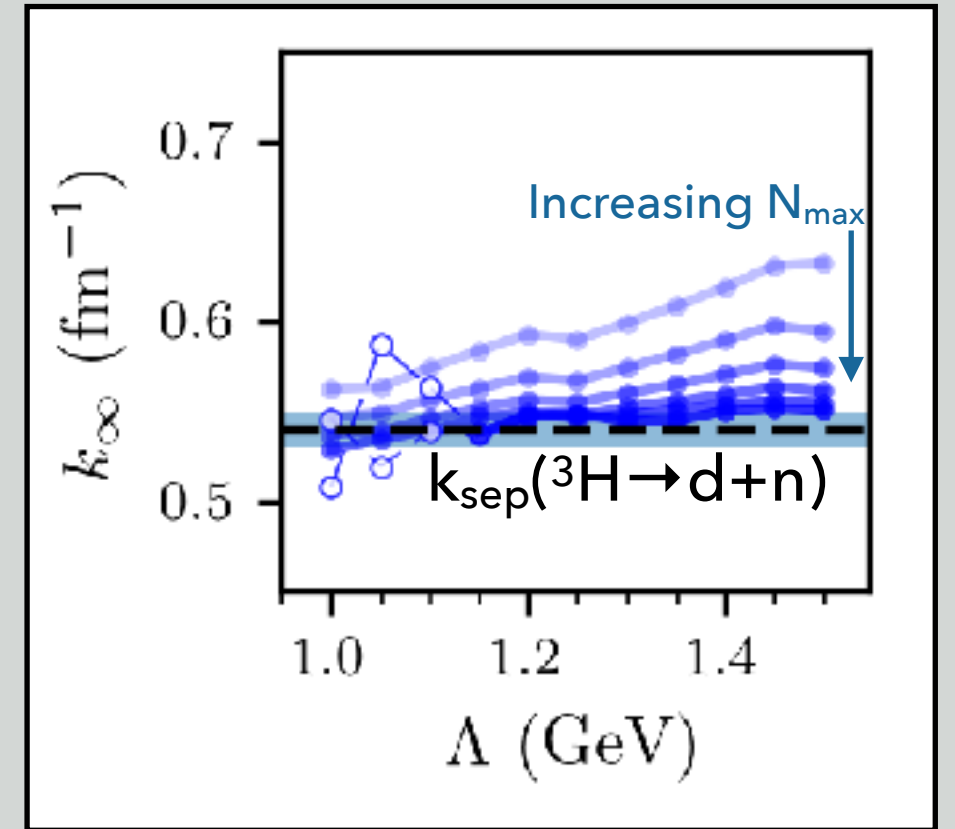
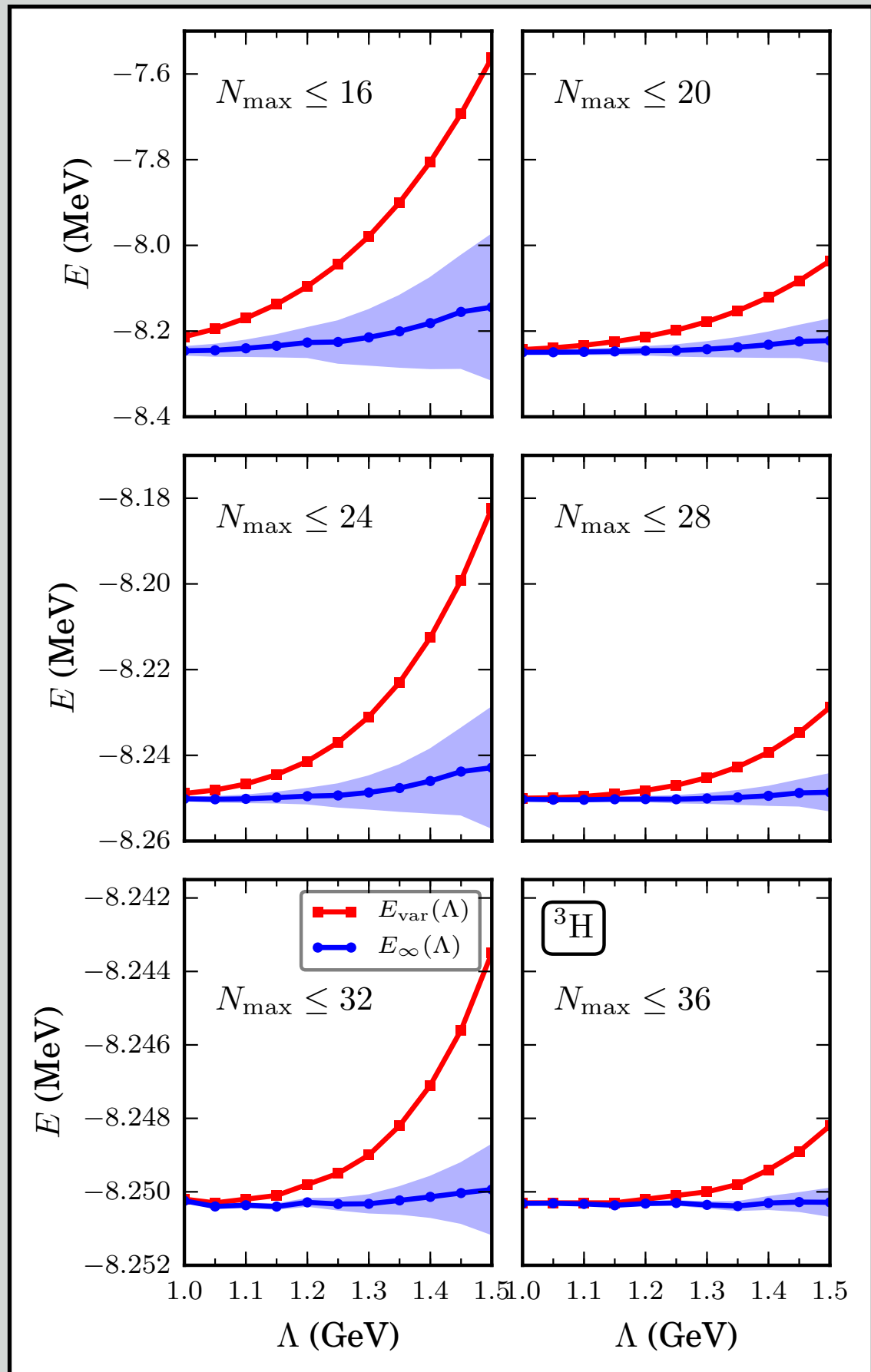
$$e^{-k_1 |\vec{\rho}_1|}$$

Separation energy for lowest threshold

$$S = \frac{\hbar^2 k_\infty^2}{2m}$$

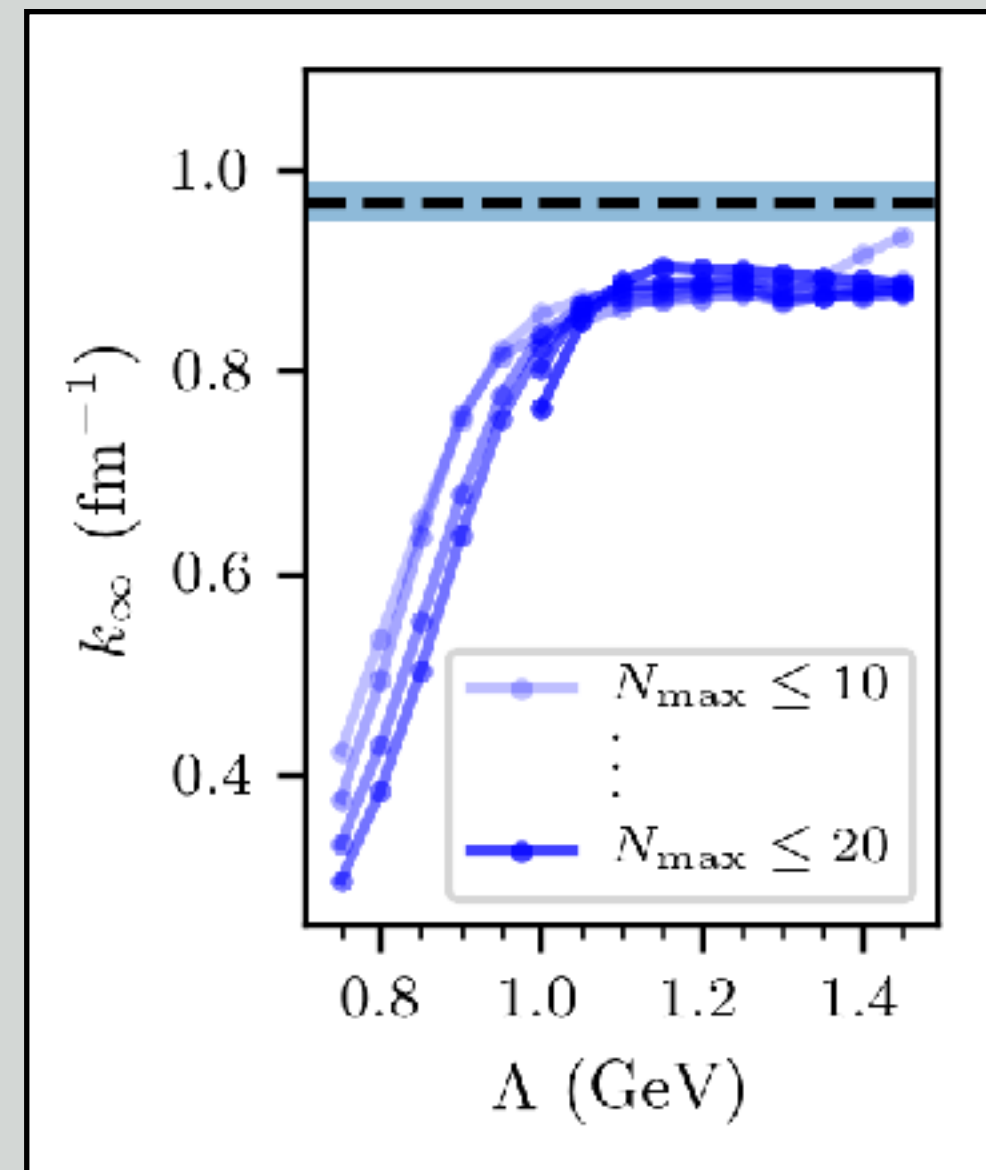
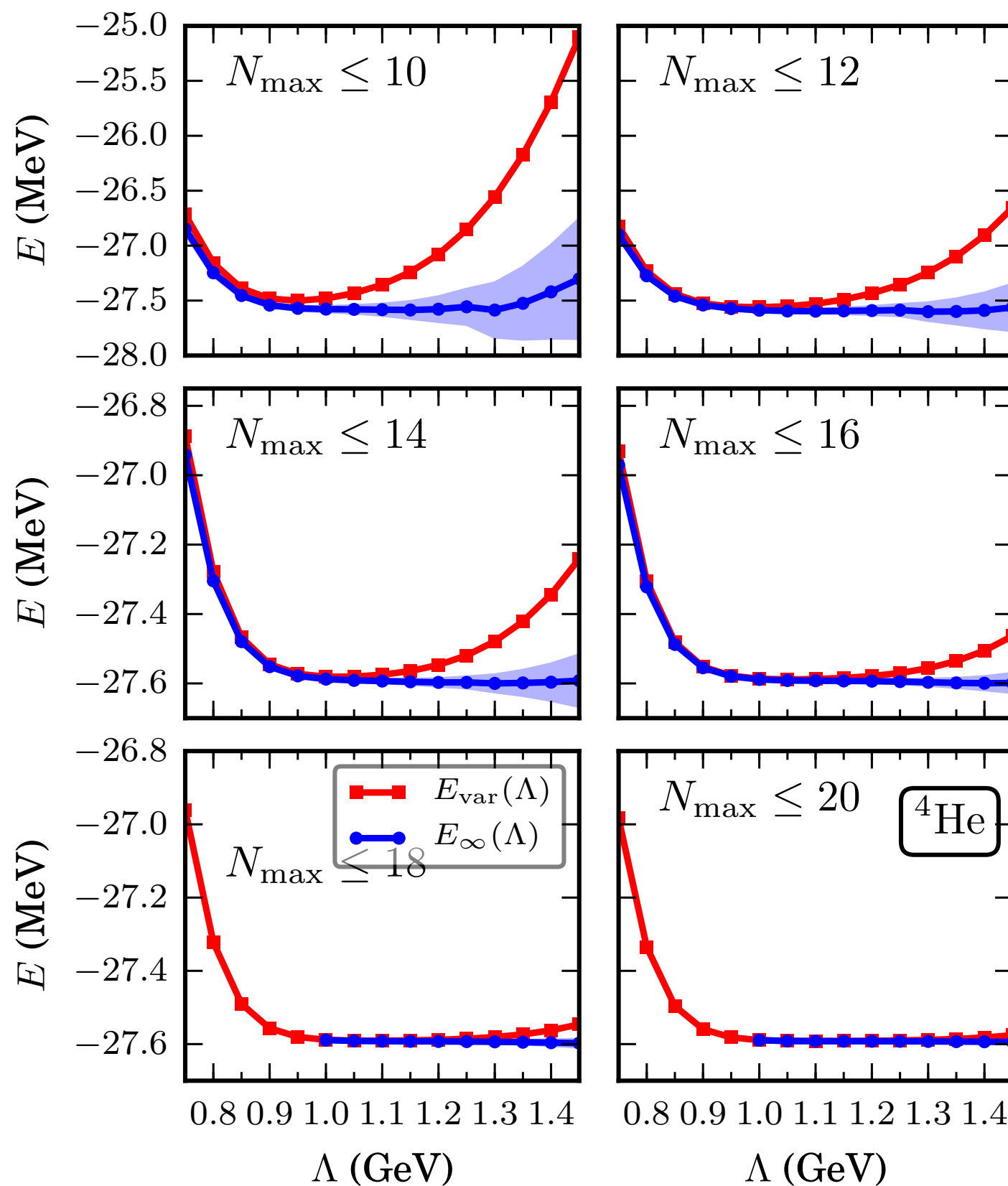
See also König and Lee, arXiv:1701.00279 for volume dependence of N-Body Bound States in lattice calculations.

# Results: $A=3$ — ground-state energy

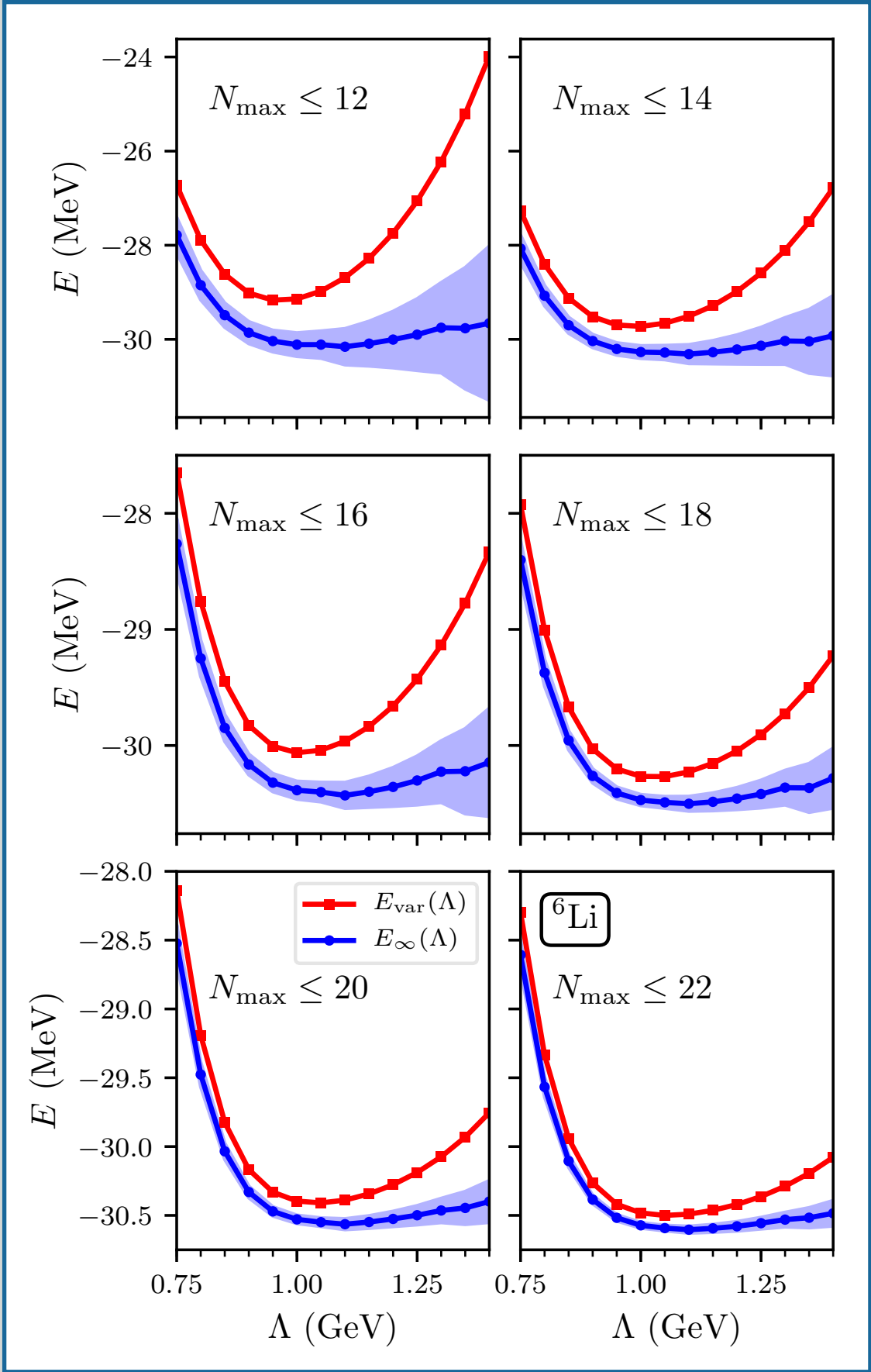




# Results: $A=4$ — ground-state energy

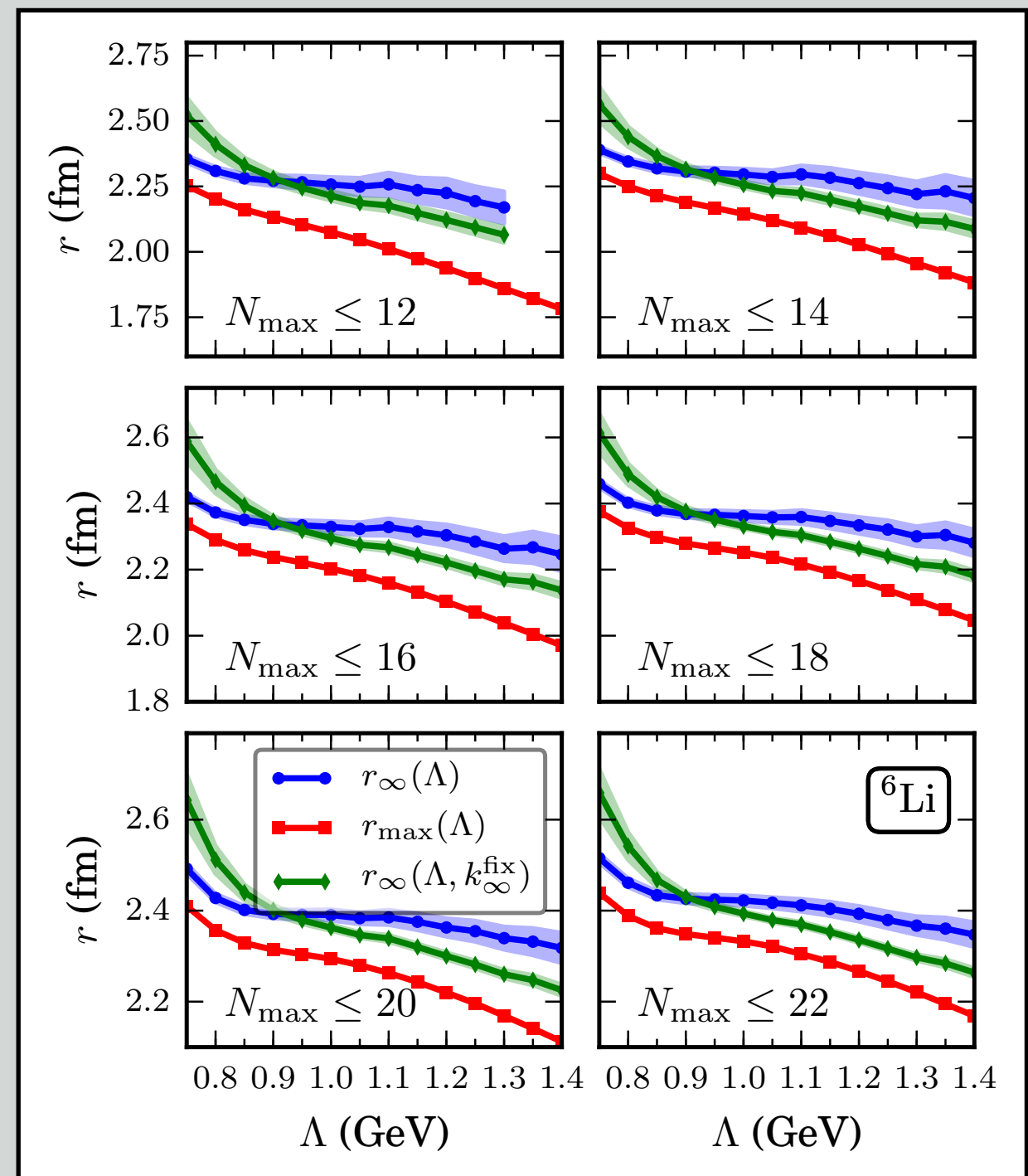
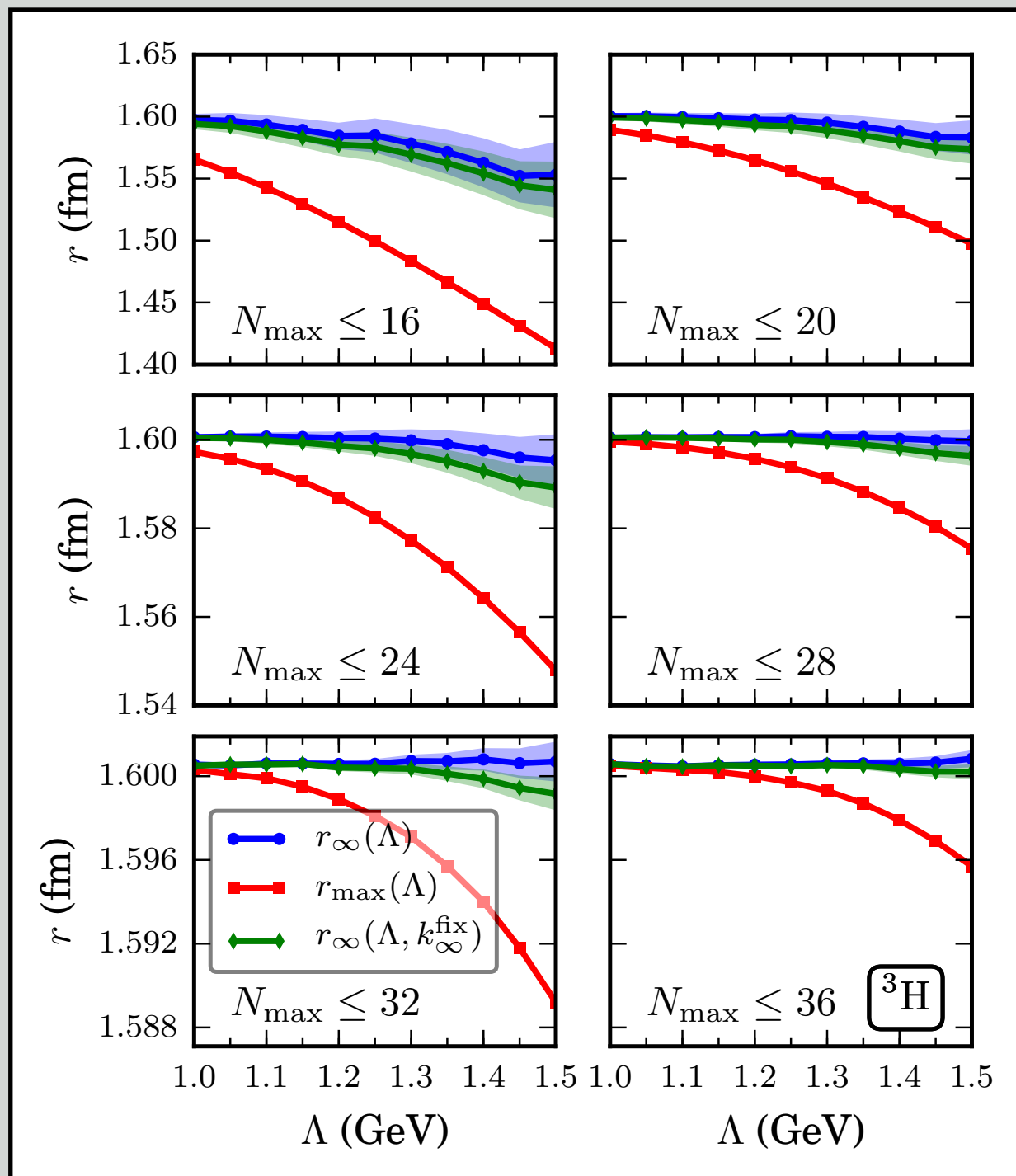


# Results: ${}^6\text{Li}$ — ground-state energy



Nucleus	Channel	From extrapolation	From extracted threshold
		$k_{\infty}$	$k_{\text{sep}}$
${}^3\text{H}$	d+n	0.54(1)	0.54(1)
${}^3\text{He}$	d+p	0.51(2)	0.51(1)
${}^4\text{He}$	${}^3\text{H}+p$	0.84(5)	0.97(3)
${}^6\text{Li}$	${}^4\text{He}+d$	0.44(5)	0.19(8)

# Results: ${}^3\text{H}$ , ${}^6\text{Li}$ — point-proton radii



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