

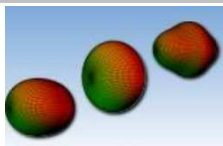
# Nuclear Structure in the UCOM Framework: Formalism and Few-Body Systems

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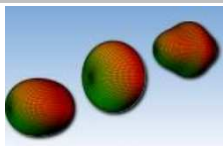
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# Overview

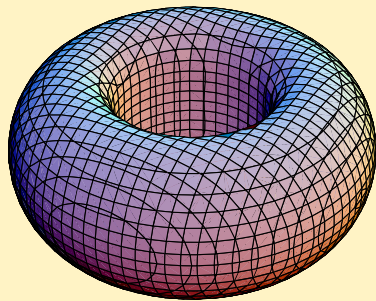
- UCOM Concepts and Formalism
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  - Fermionic Molecular Dynamics (FMD)
- Summary



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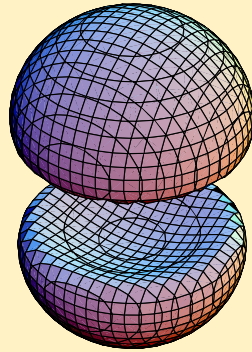
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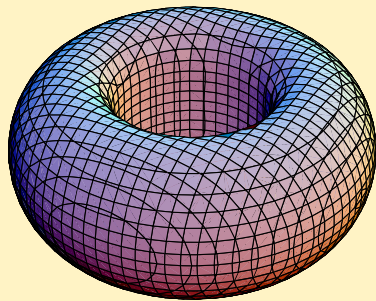
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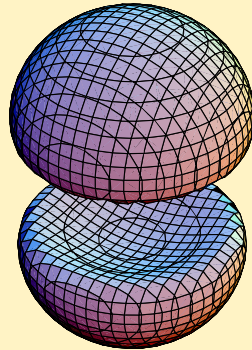
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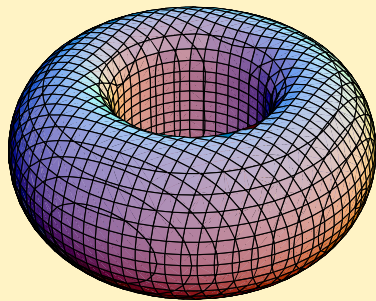


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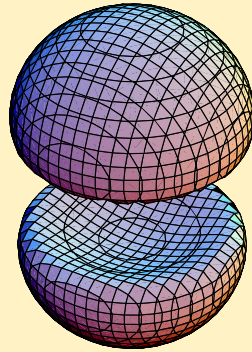
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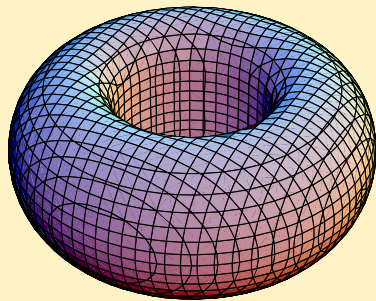


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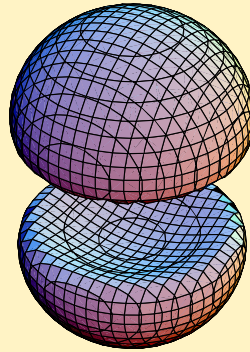
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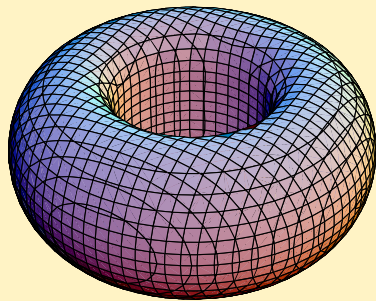
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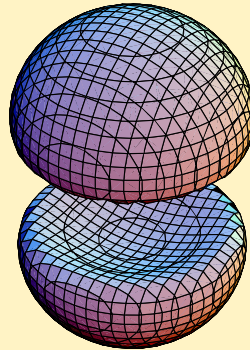
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# Central and Tensor Correlators

## Central Correlator $C_r$

- radial distance-dependent shift in the relative coordinate of a nucleon pair

$$C_r = \exp\left(-i \sum_{i,j}^A g_{r,ij}\right)$$

$$g_r = \frac{1}{2} [s(r) \mathbf{q}_r + \mathbf{q}_r s(r)]$$

$$\mathbf{q}_r = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\vec{r}}{r} \cdot \vec{q} + \vec{q} \cdot \frac{\vec{r}}{r} \right]$$

## Tensor Correlator $C_\Omega$

- angular shift, depending on the orientation of spin and relative coordinate of a nucleon pair

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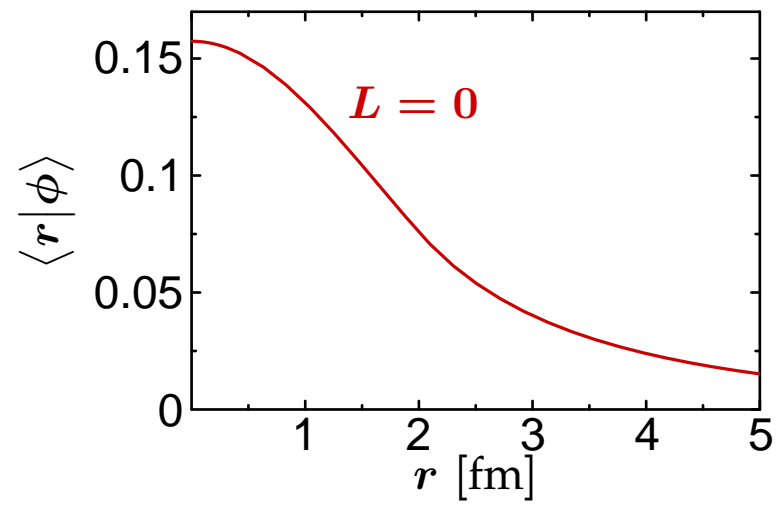
$$g_\Omega = \frac{3}{2} \vartheta(r) [(\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{q}_\Omega)(\vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot \vec{r}) + (\vec{r} \leftrightarrow \vec{q}_\Omega)]$$

$$\vec{q}_\Omega = \vec{q} - \frac{\vec{r}}{r} \mathbf{q}_r$$

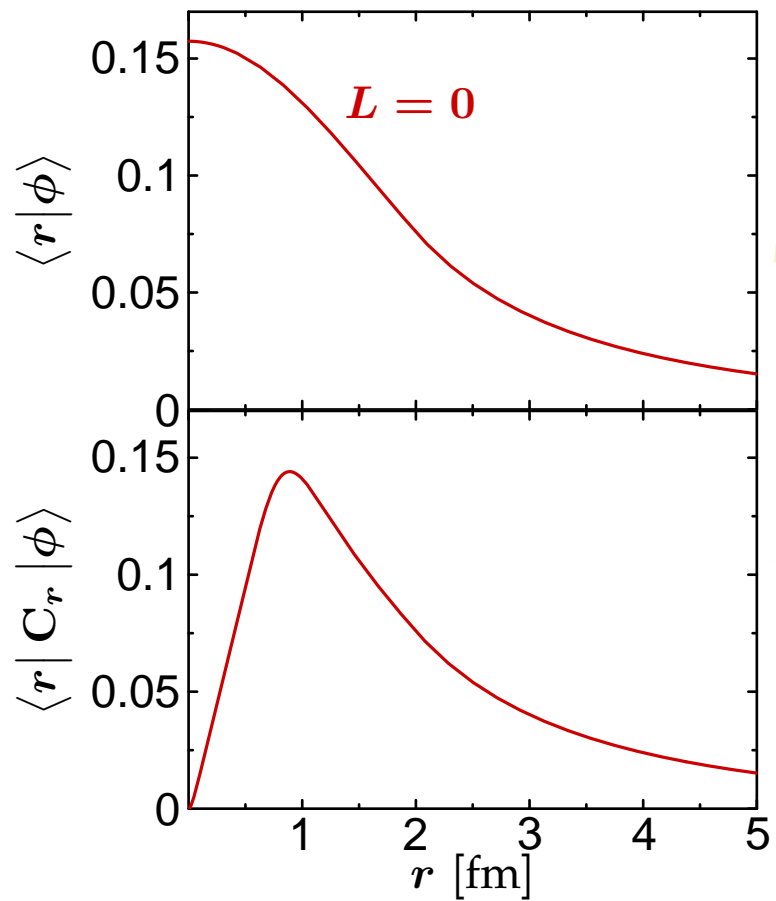
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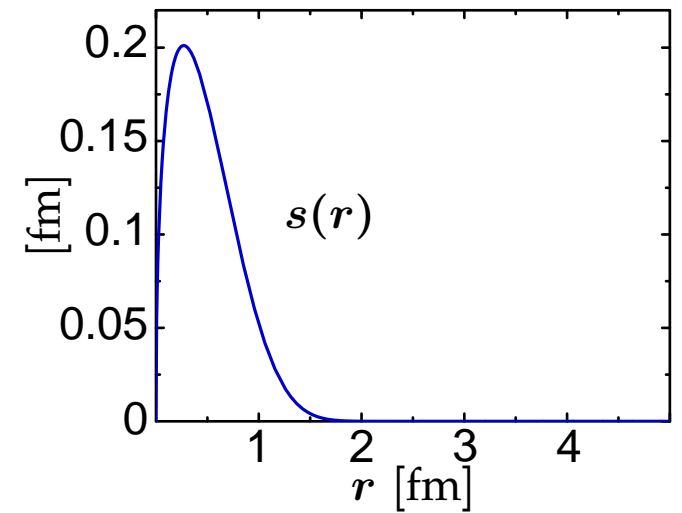
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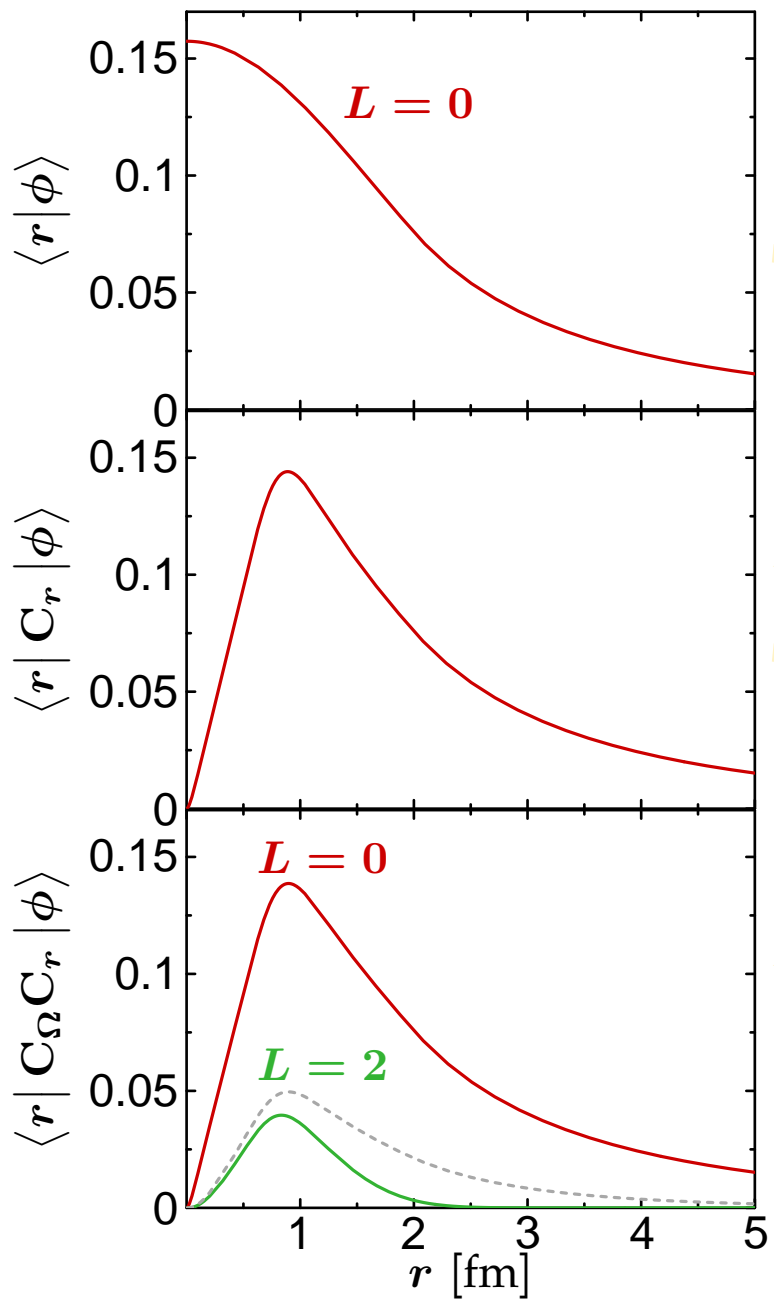
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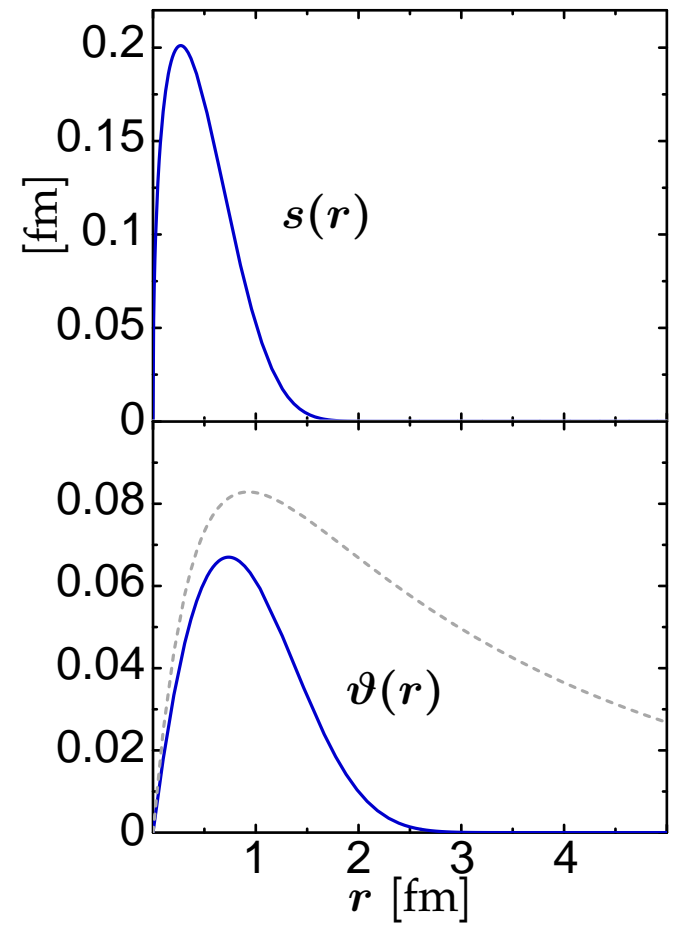


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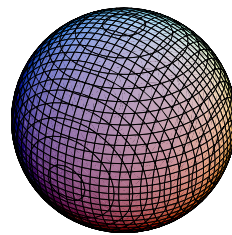
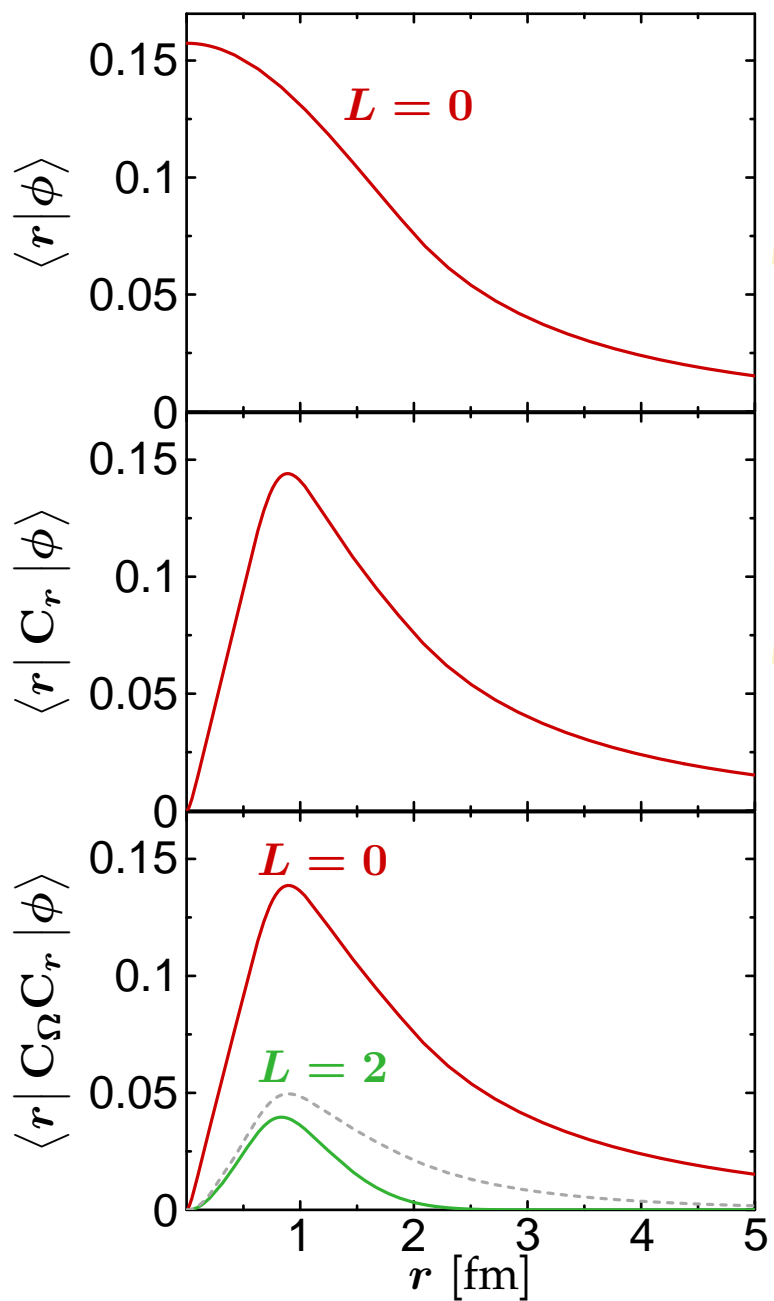


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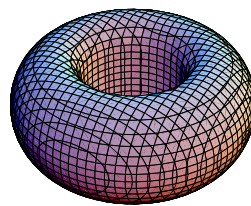
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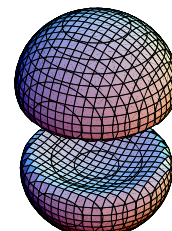
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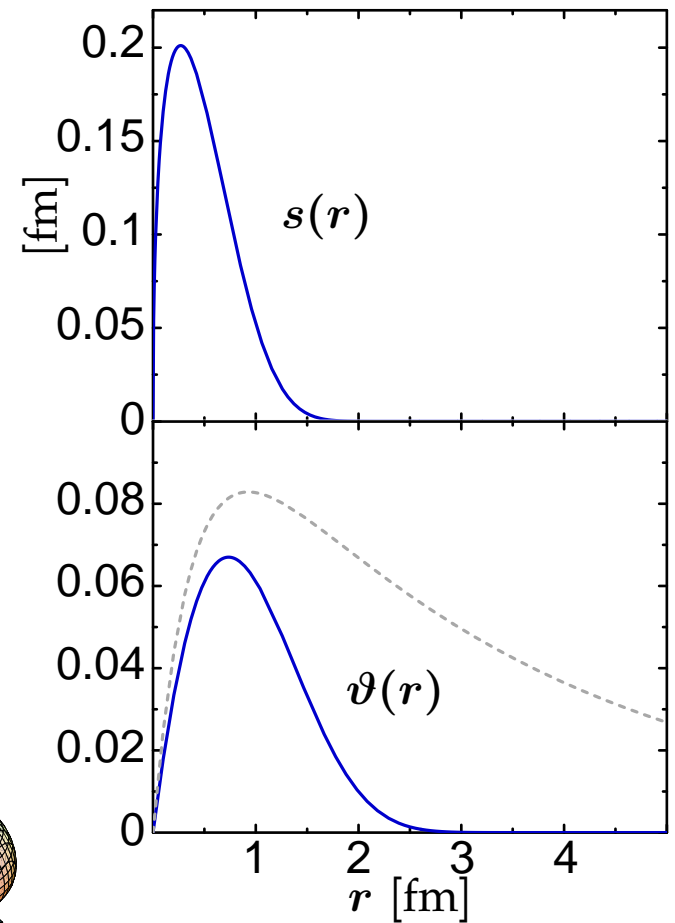
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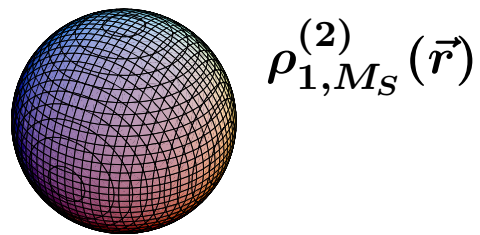
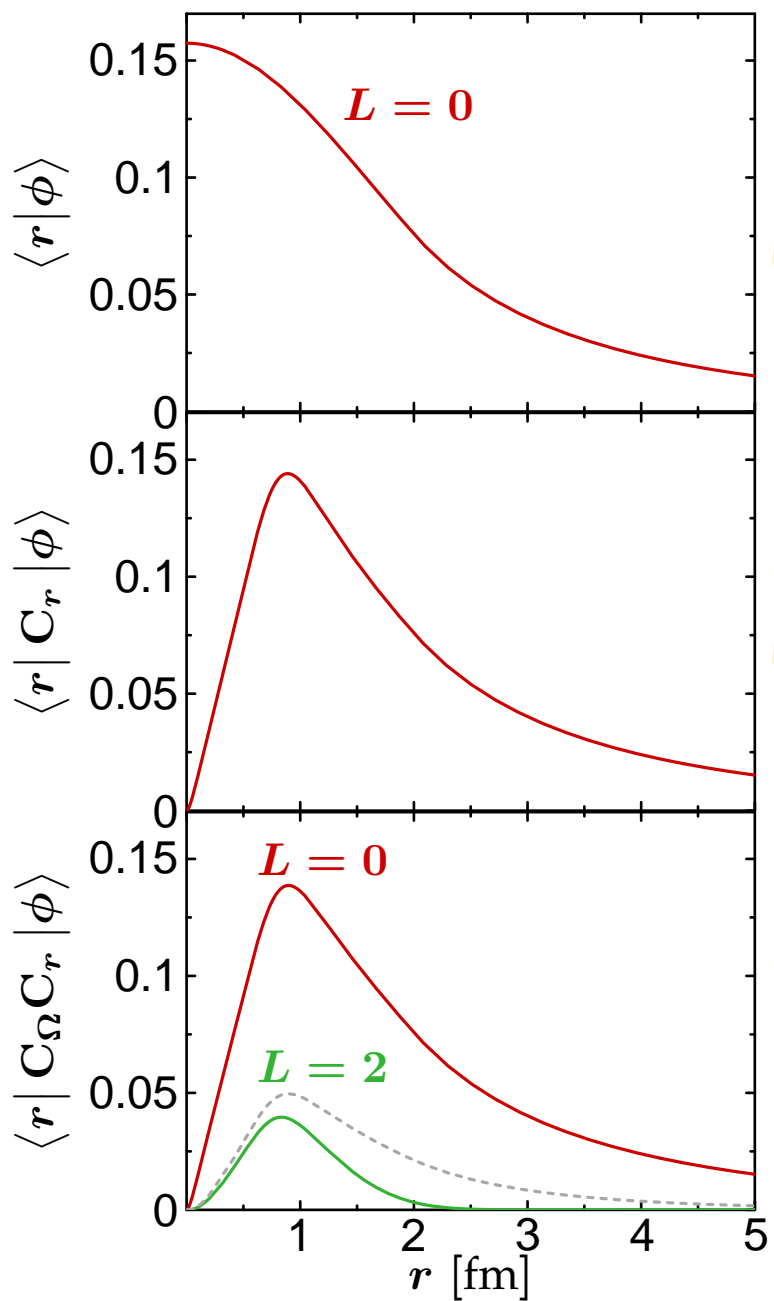
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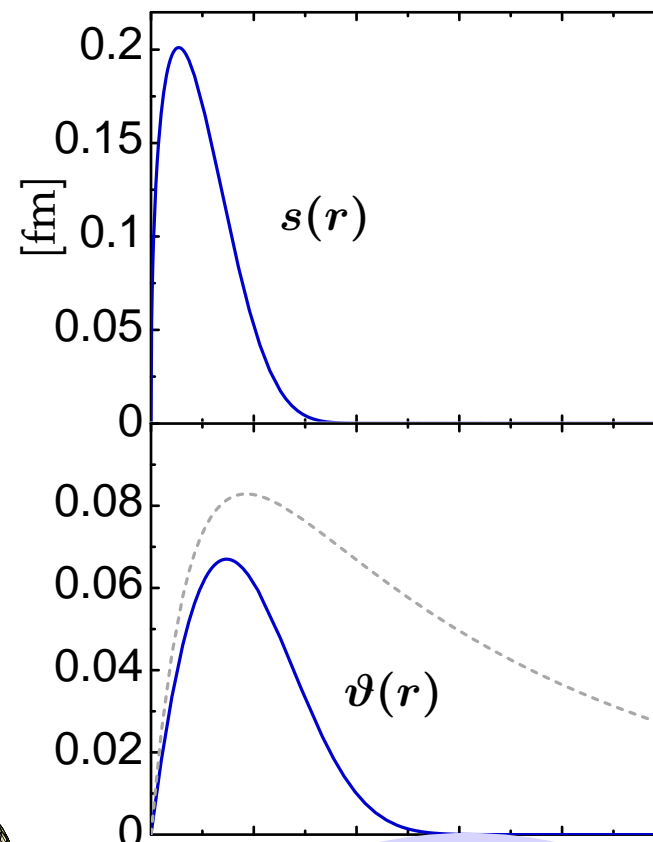
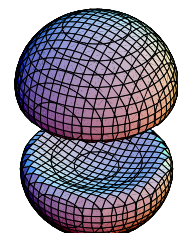
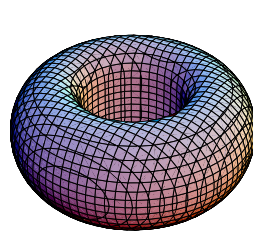


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tensor corr. range becomes a parameter

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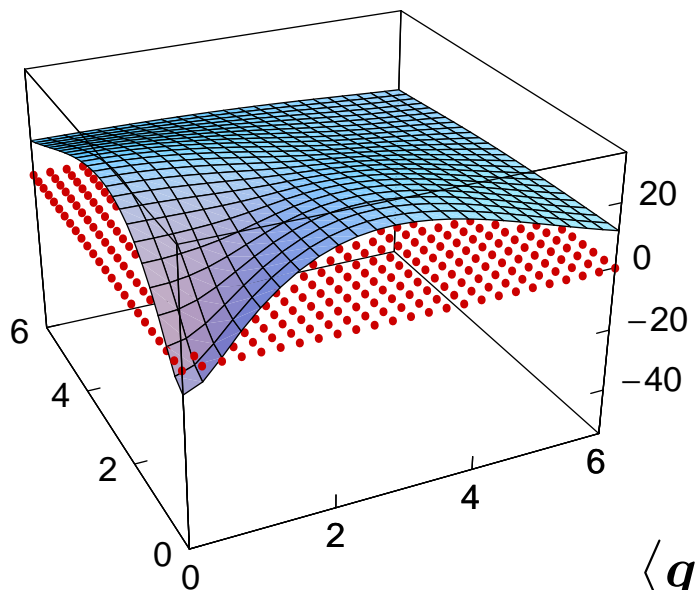
## $V_{\text{UCOM}}$

$$V_{\text{UCOM}} = \sum_{i,S,T} \frac{1}{2} (\tilde{v}_{ST}^i(\mathbf{r}) O_i + O_i \tilde{v}_{ST}^i(\mathbf{r})) \Pi_{ST}$$

$$O_i \in \{ \mathbb{1}, q_r^2, \vec{l}^2, \vec{l} \cdot \vec{s}, s_{12}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}), \vec{l}^2 \vec{l} \cdot \vec{s}, s_{12}(\vec{l}, \vec{l}), \\ \bar{s}_{12}(\vec{q}_\Omega, \vec{q}_\Omega), \{ \vec{l}^2 \bar{s}_{12}(\vec{q}_\Omega, \vec{q}_\Omega) \}_H, q_r s_{12}(\vec{r}, \vec{q}_\Omega), \dots \}$$

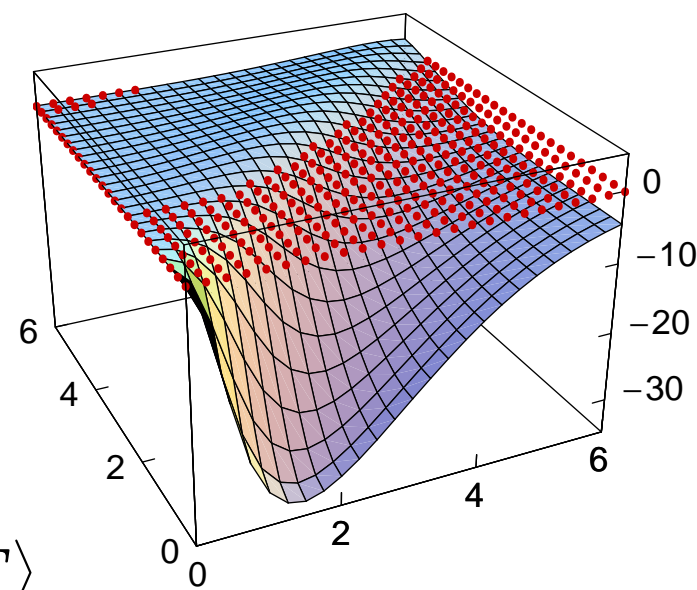
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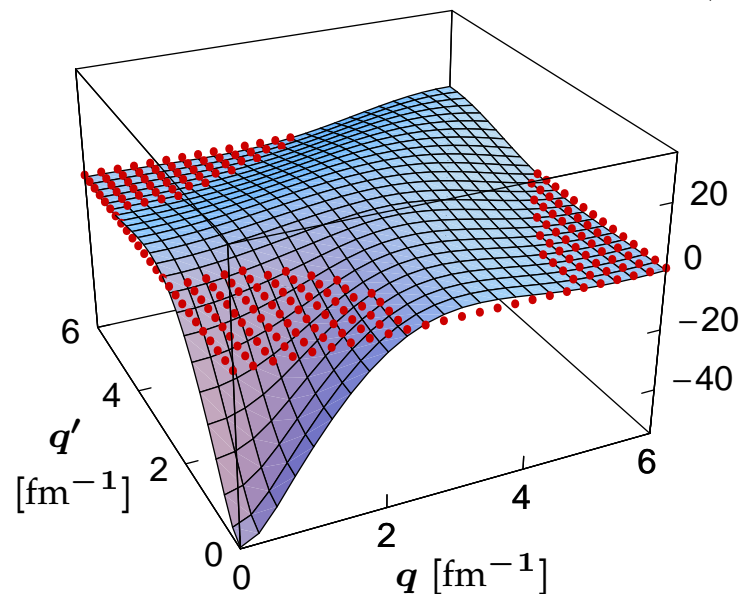


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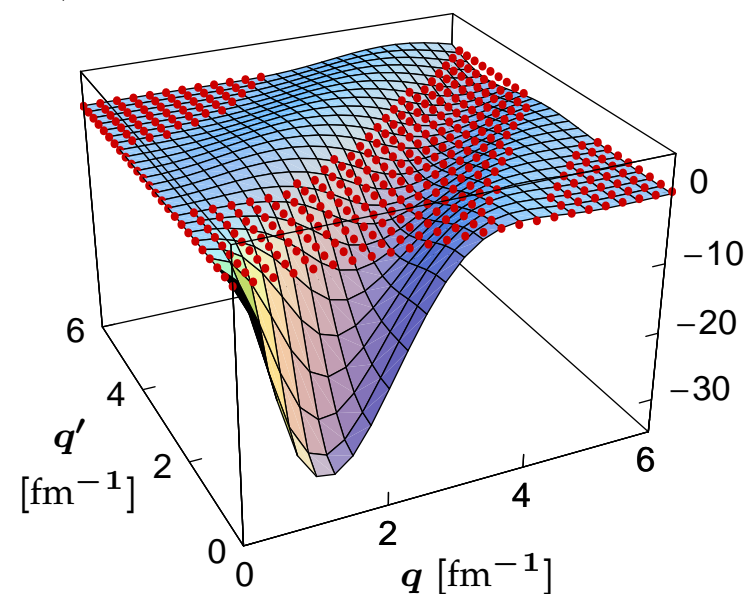


$\langle q(LS)JT | \circ | q'(L'S)JT \rangle$

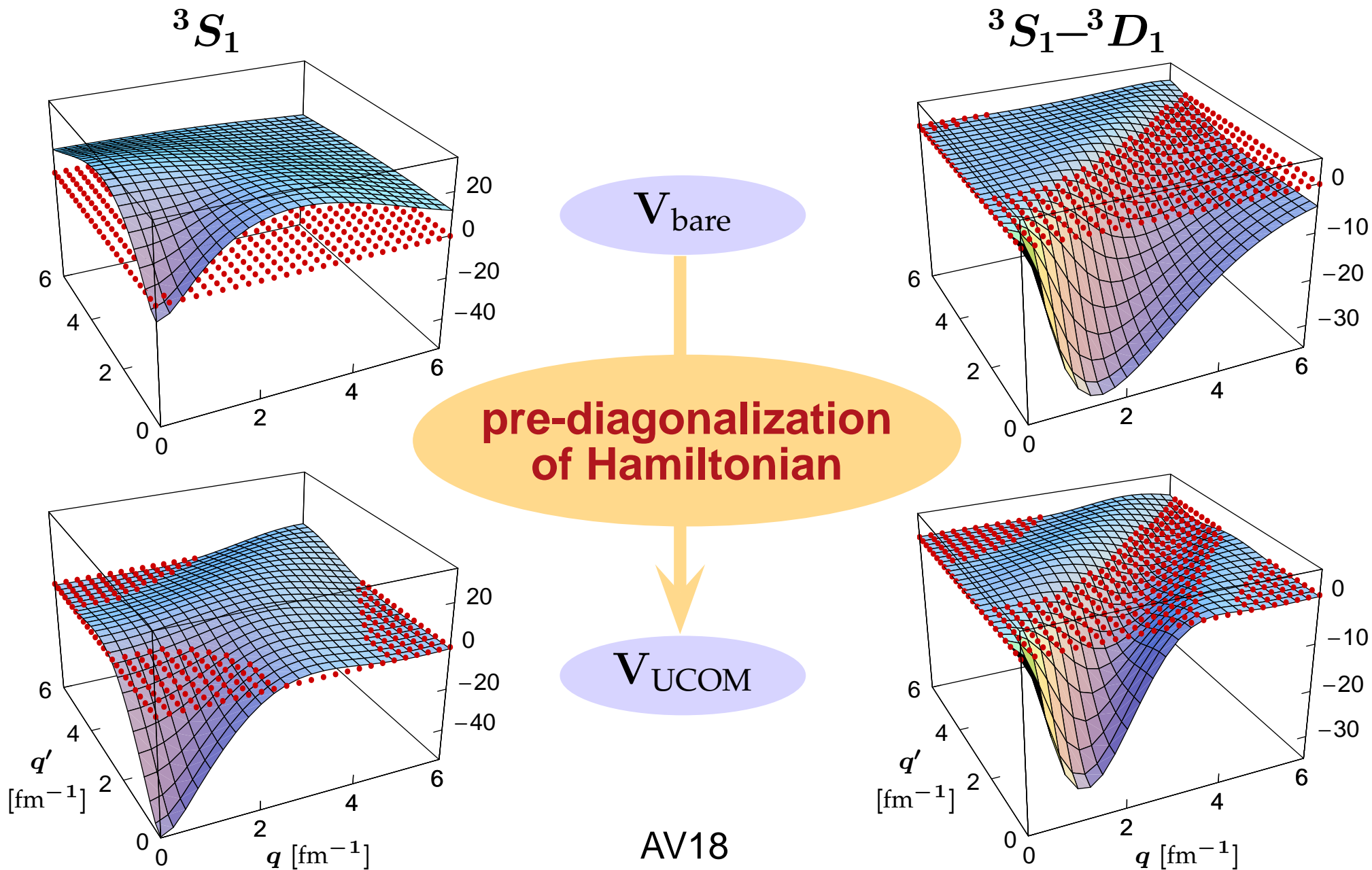


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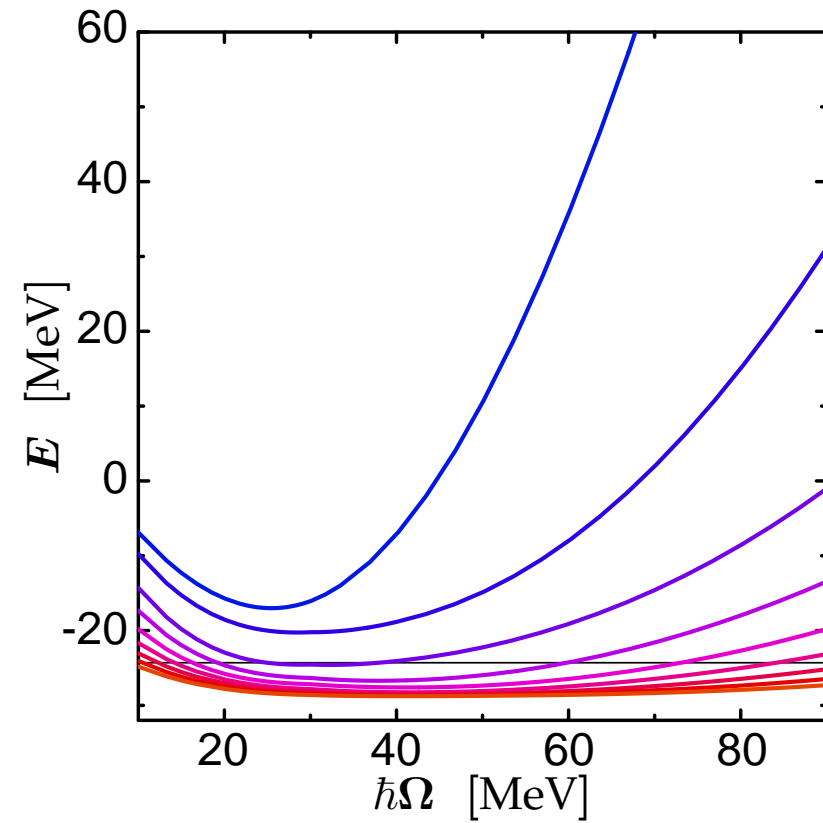
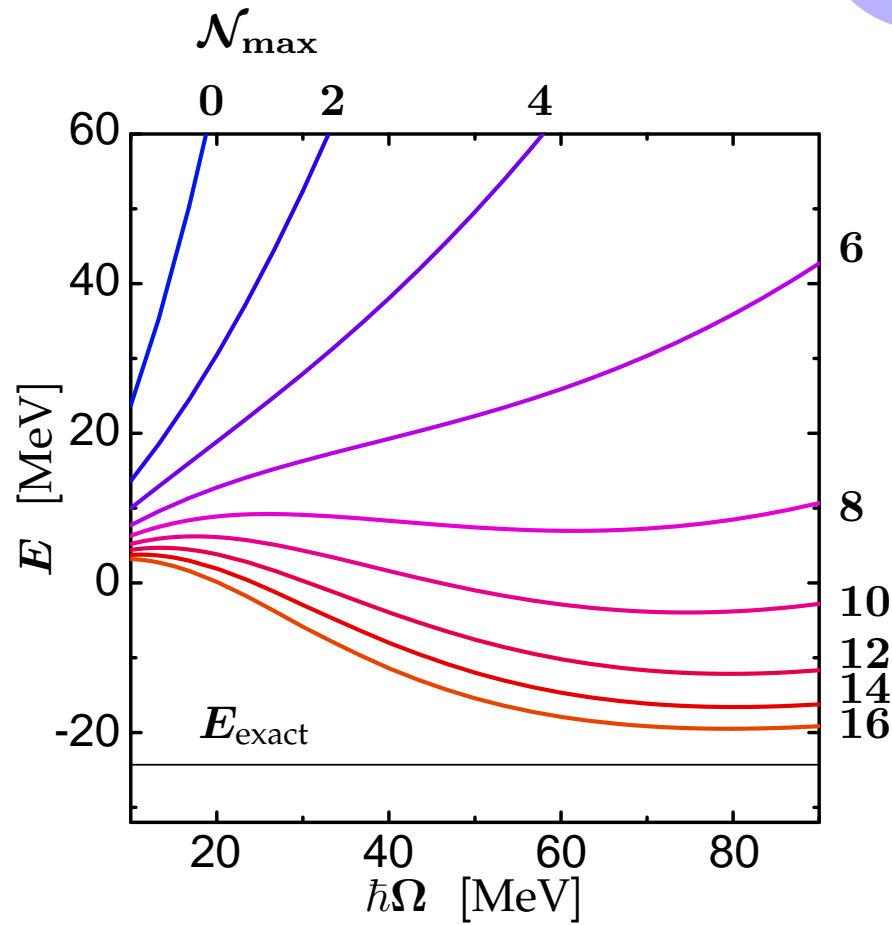
**Few-Body Calculations:  
No-Core Shell Model (NCSM)**

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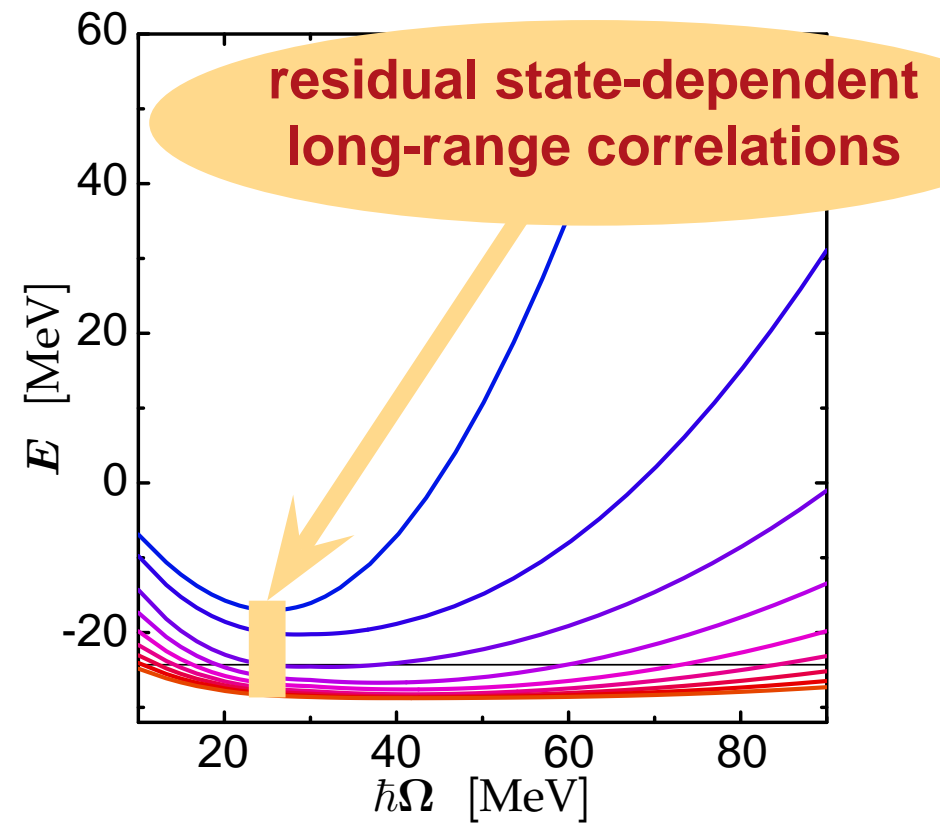
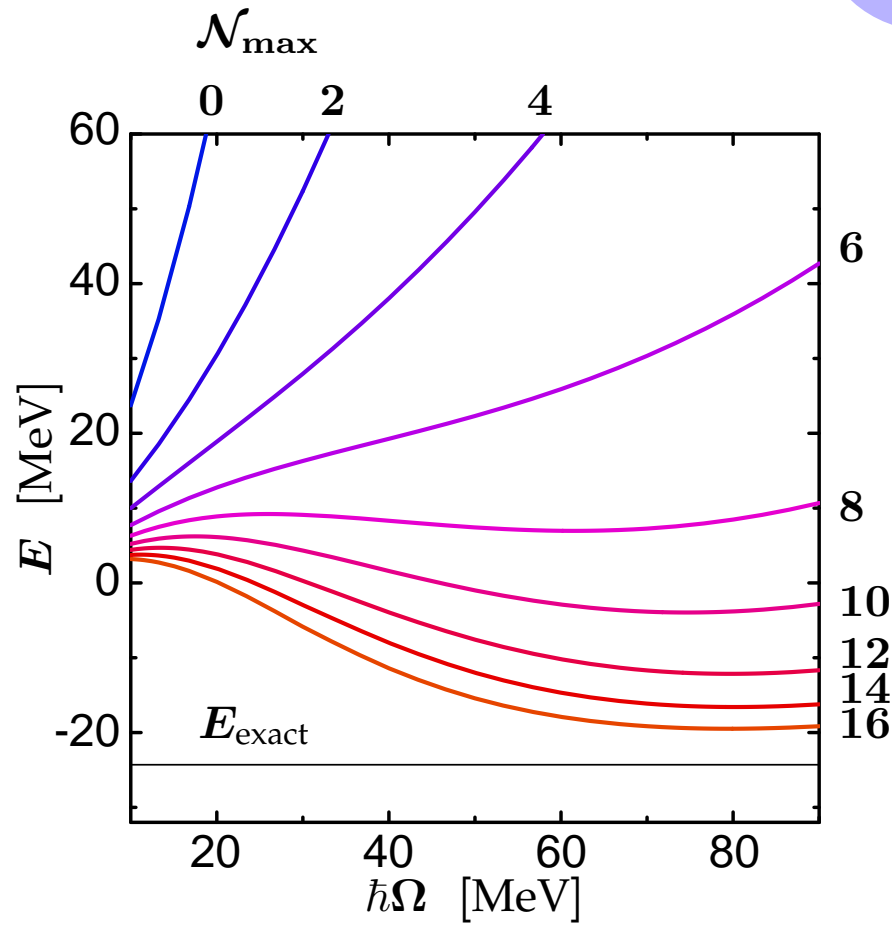
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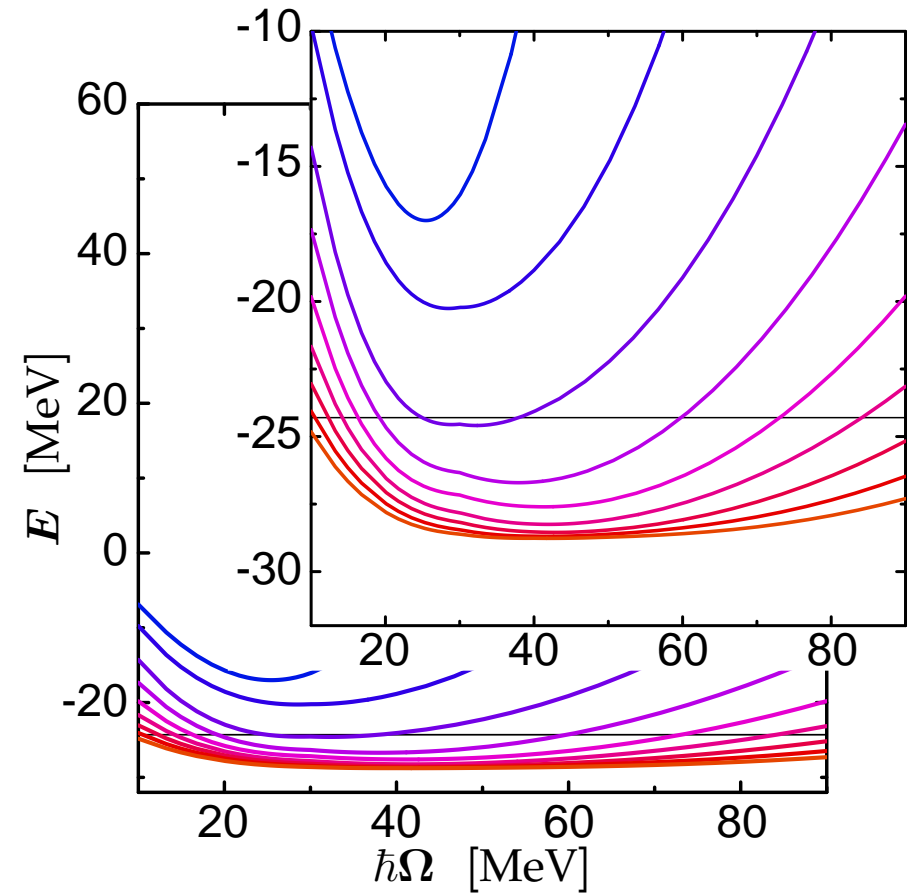
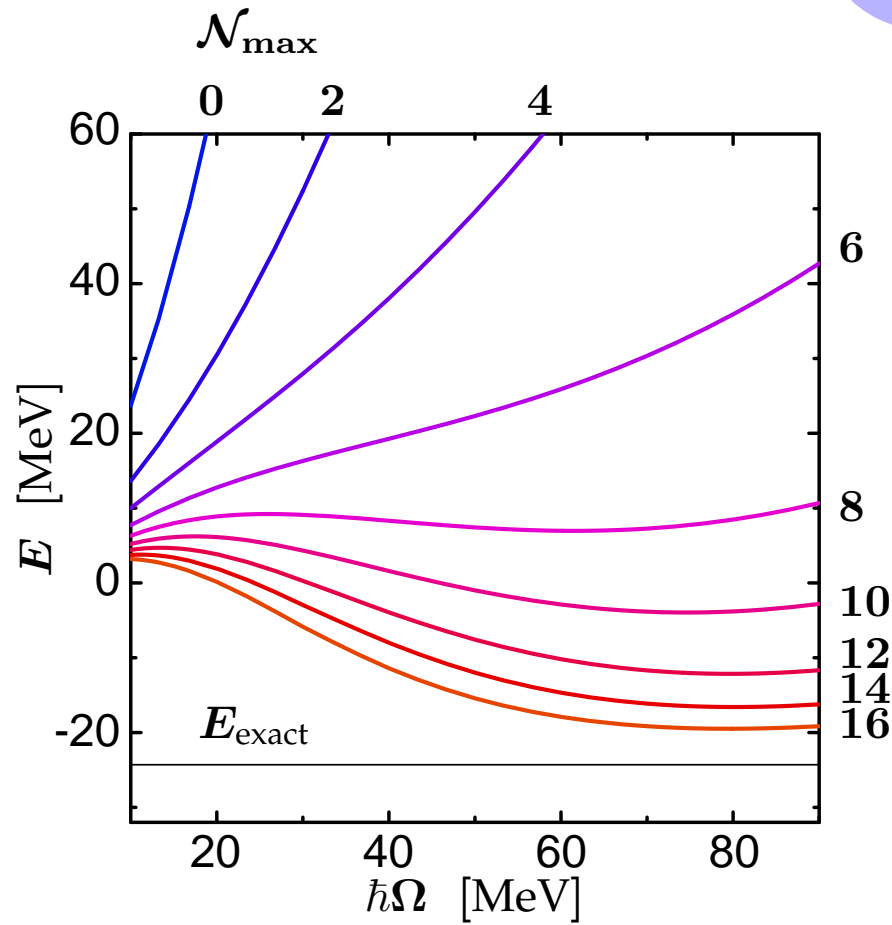
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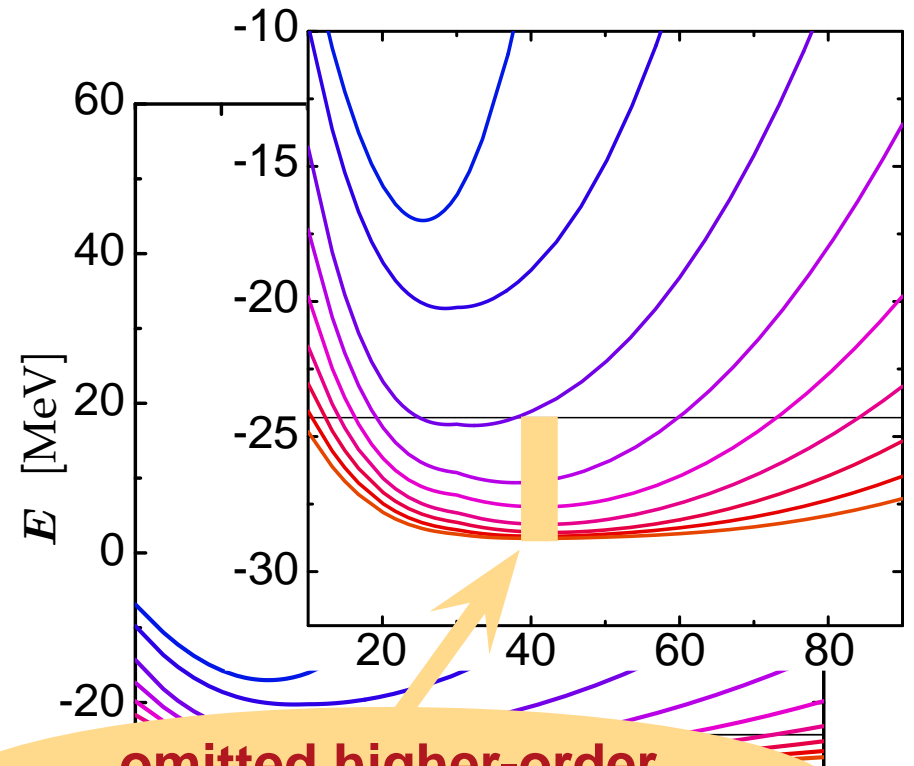
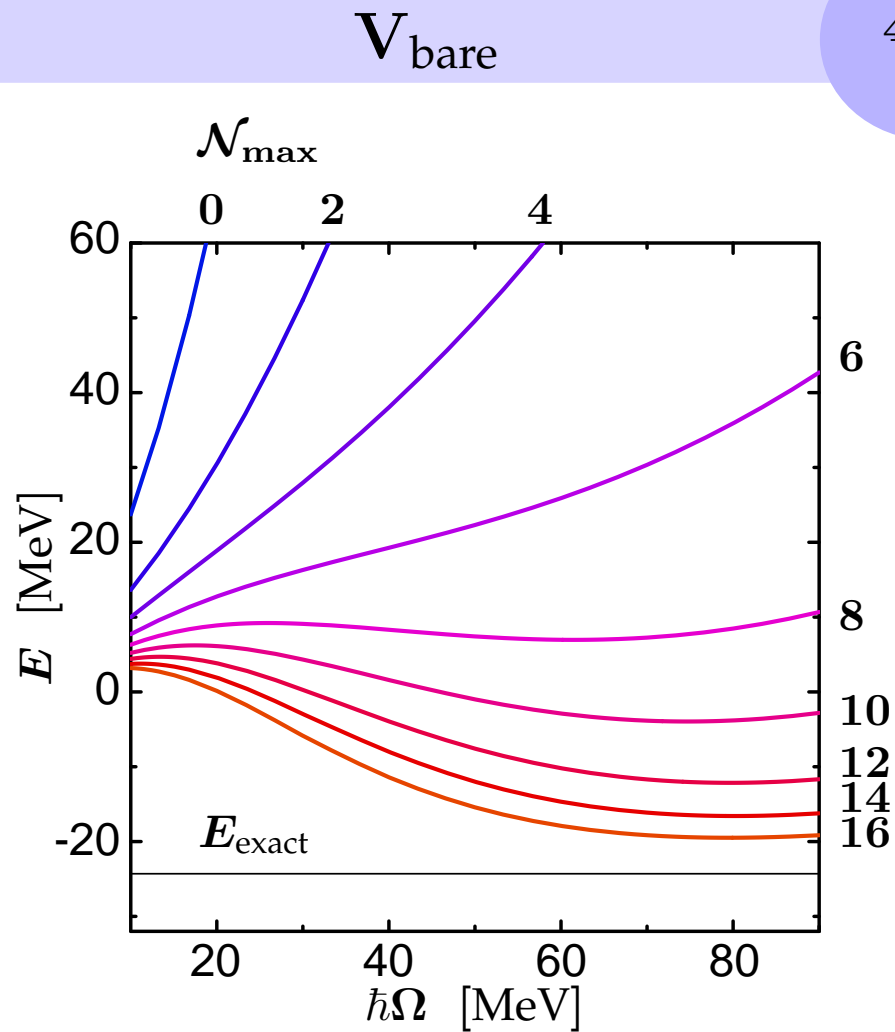
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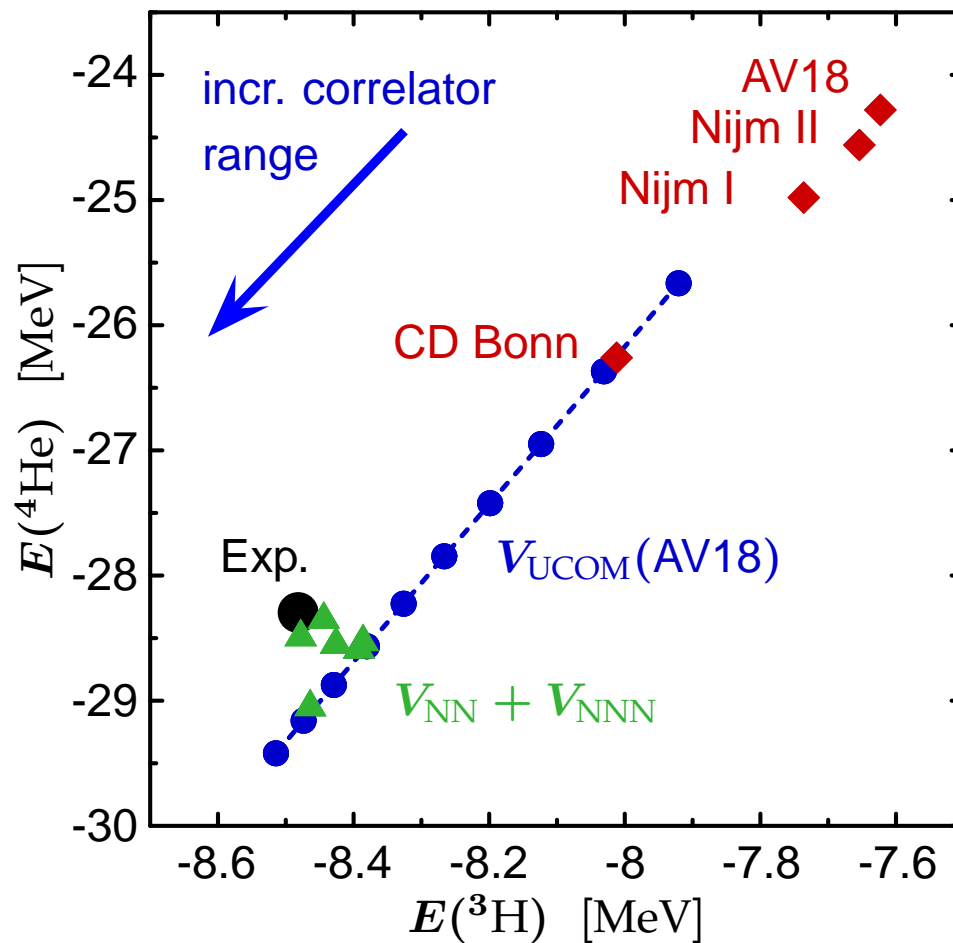
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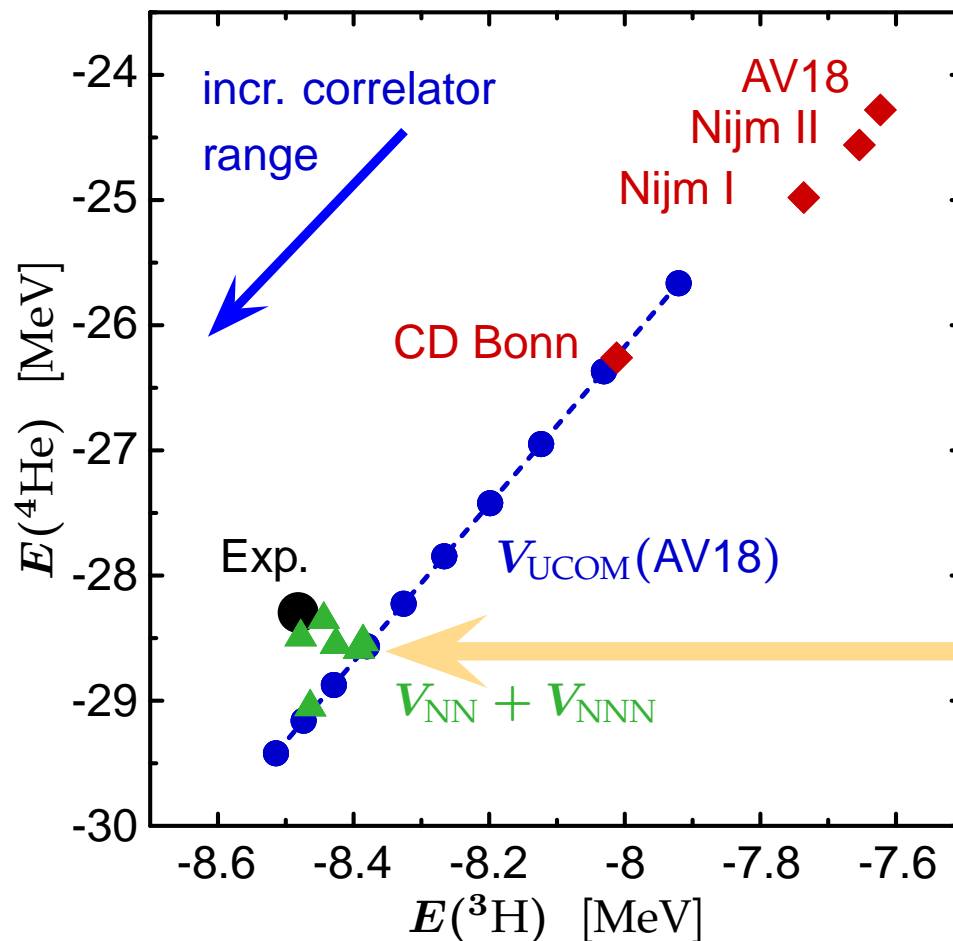
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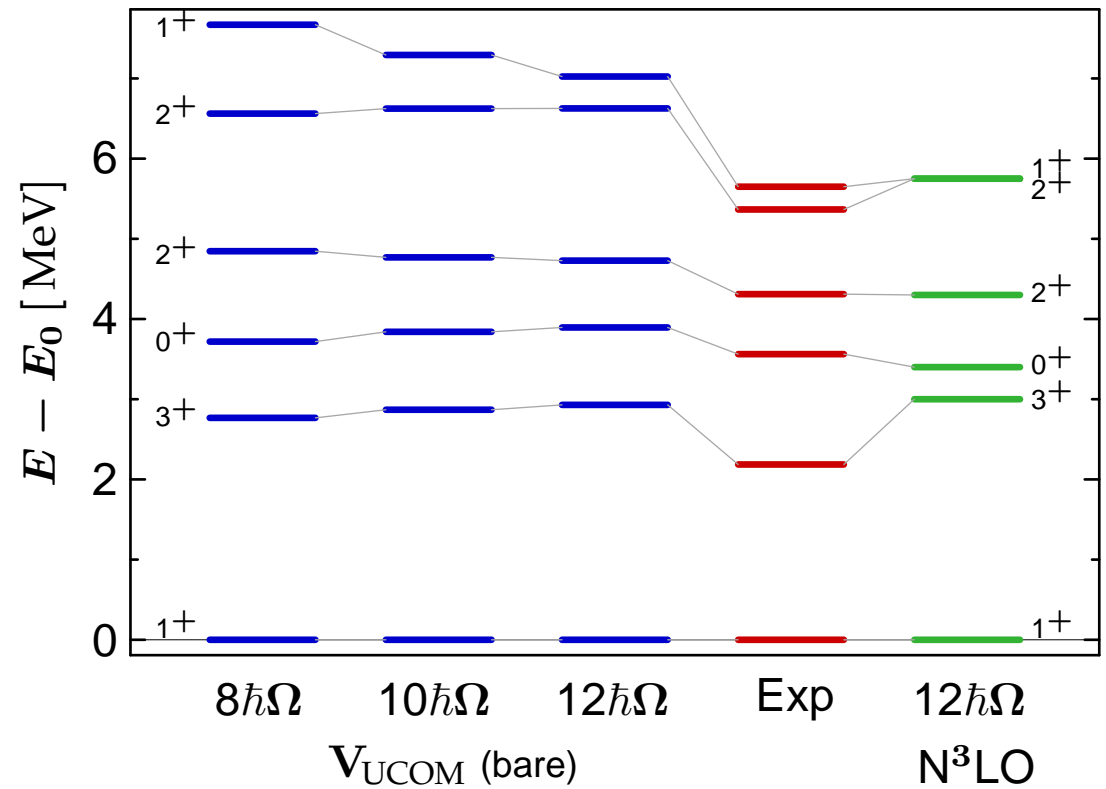
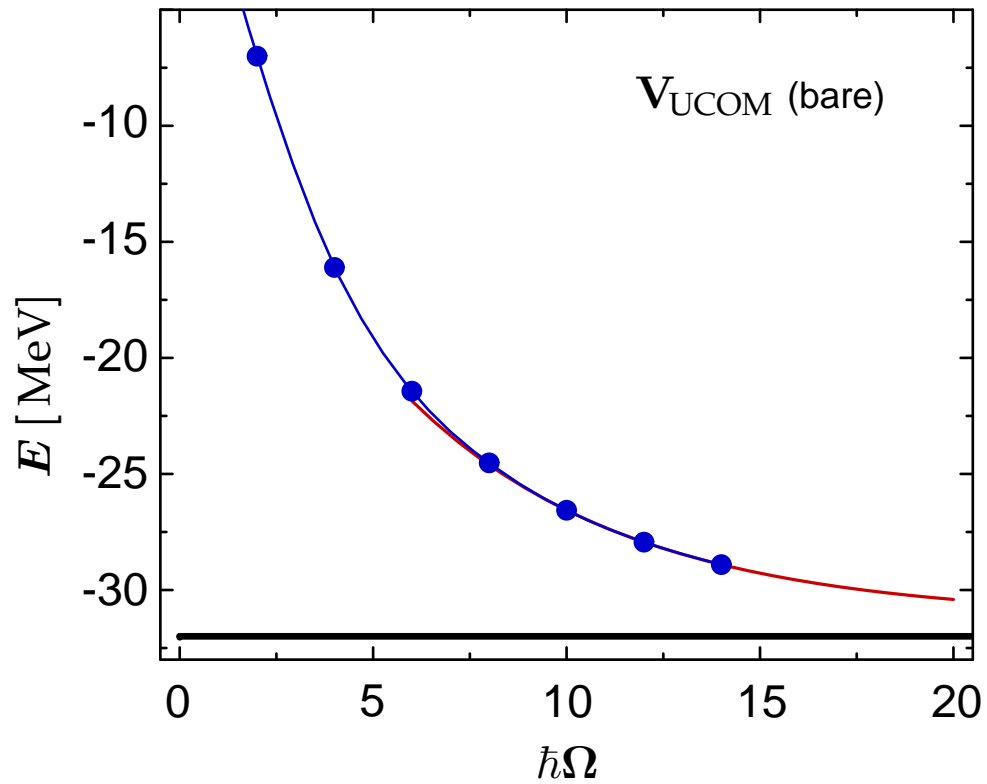
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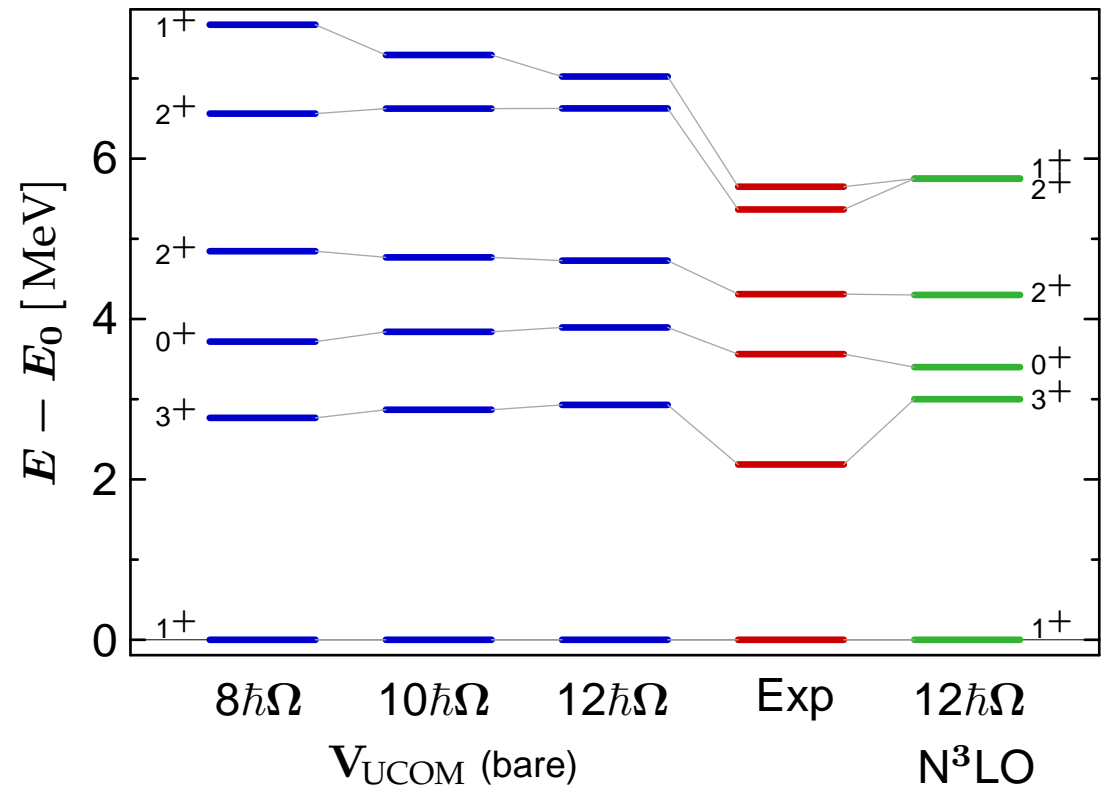
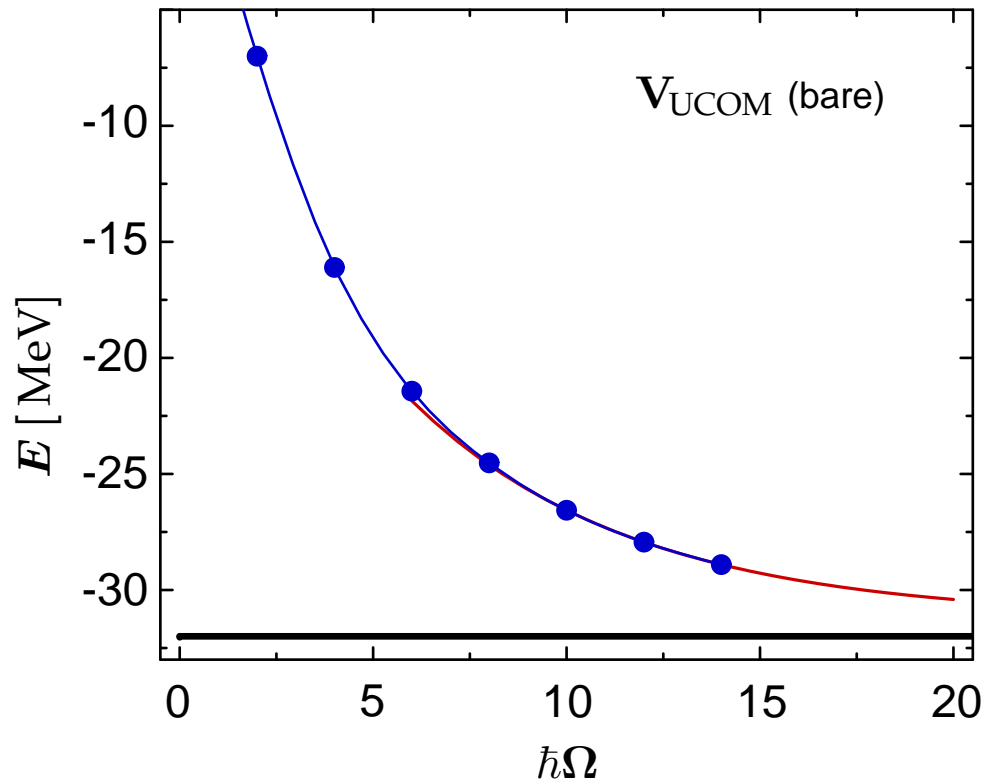
choose correlator with energies close to experimental value, i.e.,  
**minimize net three-body force**

# ${}^6\text{Li}$ — Work in Progress



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$V_{\text{UCOM}}$ +Lee-Suzuki  
and more  $p$ -shell  
nuclei in progress...

**Few-Body Calculations:  
Fermionic Molecular  
Dynamics (FMD)**

# FMD Trial State

## Gaussian Single-Particle States

$$|q\rangle = \sum_{\nu=1}^n c_{\nu} |a_{\nu}, \vec{b}_{\nu}\rangle \otimes |\chi_{\nu}\rangle \otimes |m_t\rangle$$

$$\langle \vec{x} | a_{\nu}, \vec{b}_{\nu} \rangle = \exp \left[ - \frac{(\vec{x} - \vec{b}_{\nu})^2}{2 a_{\nu}} \right]$$

$a_{\nu}$  : complex width

$\chi_{\nu}$  : spin orientation

$\vec{b}_{\nu}$  : mean position & momentum

## Slater Determinant

$$|Q\rangle = \mathcal{A} ( |q_1\rangle \otimes |q_2\rangle \otimes \cdots \otimes |q_A\rangle )$$

## Correlated Hamiltonian

$$\tilde{H}_{\text{int}} = T_{\text{int}} + V_{\text{UCOM}} [+ \delta V_{c+p+ls}]$$

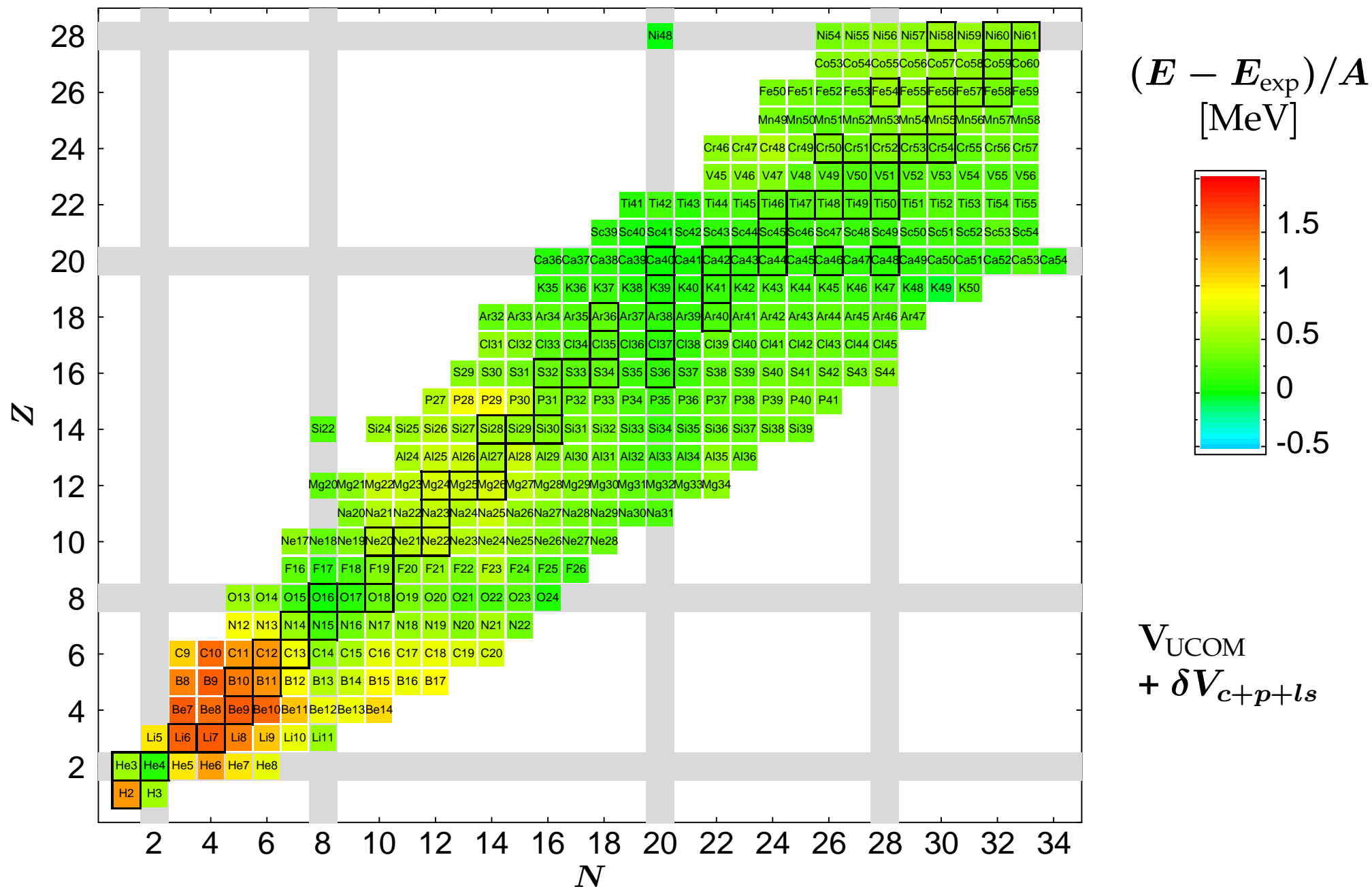
## Variation

$$\frac{\langle Q | \tilde{H}_{\text{int}} | Q \rangle}{\langle Q | Q \rangle} \rightarrow \min$$

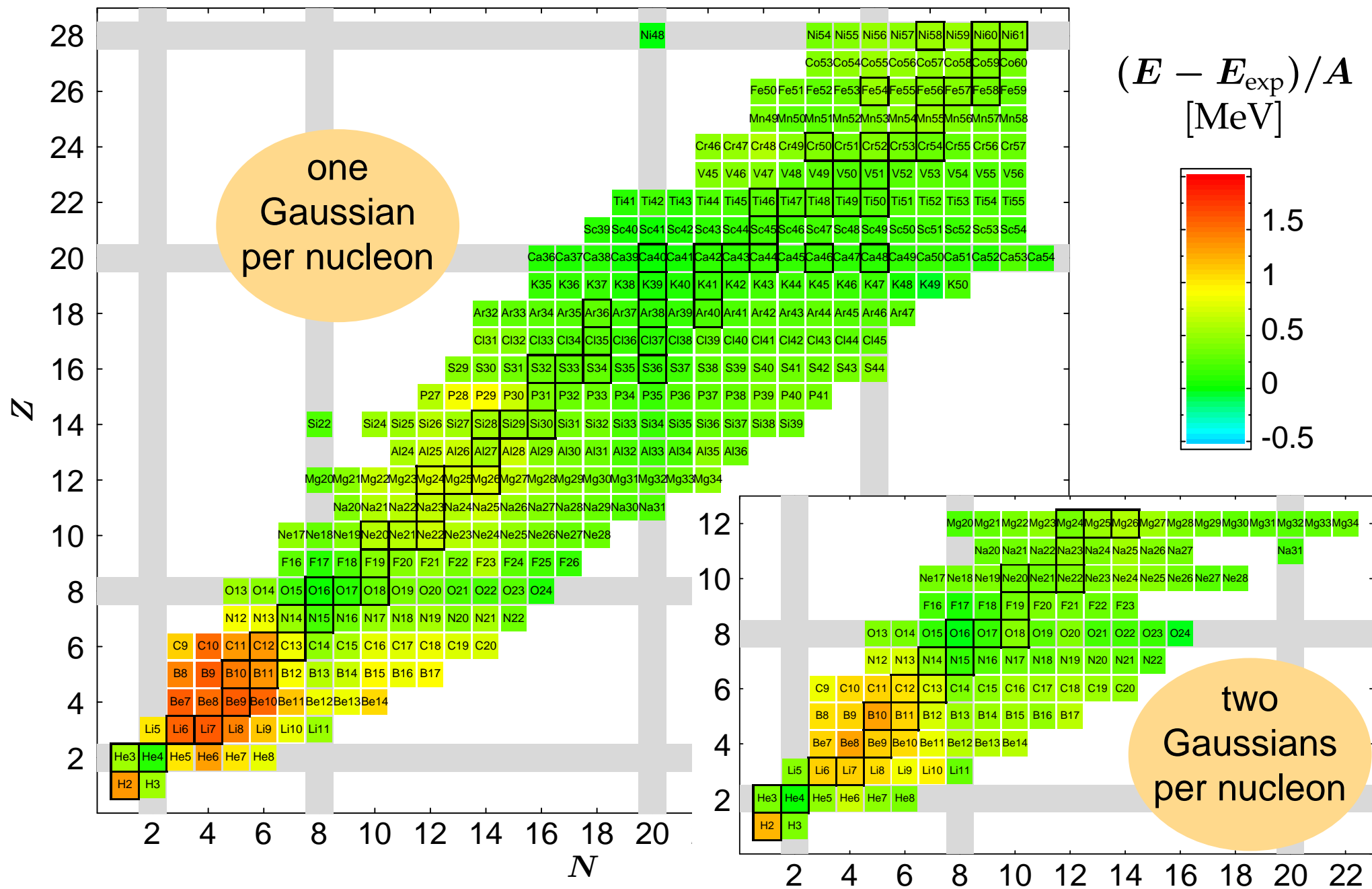
## Diagonalization

in sub-space  
spanned by several  
(suitably chosen) Slater  
determinants  $|Q_i\rangle$

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# Beyond Simple Variation

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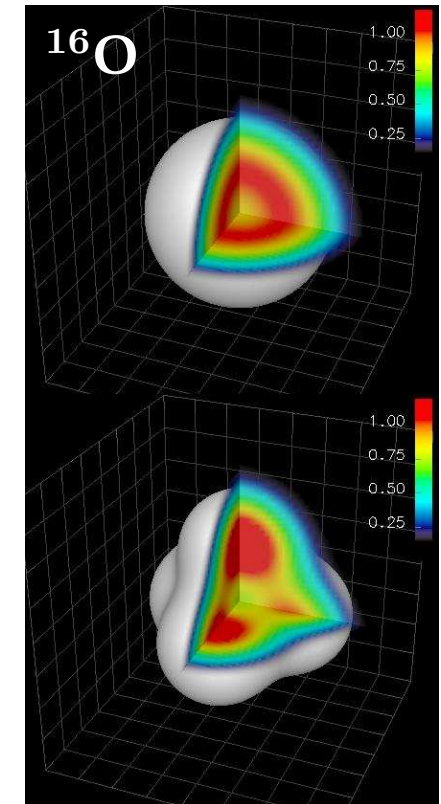
- restore parity and rotational symmetry by angular momentum projection

## ■ Variation after Projection (VAP)

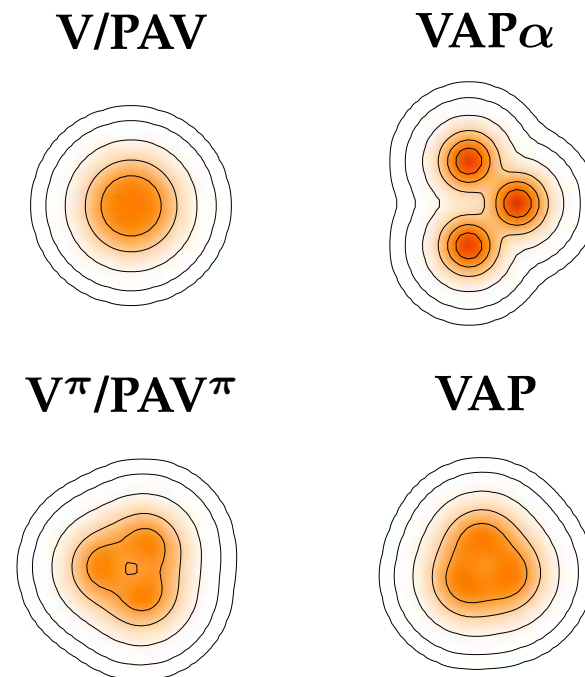
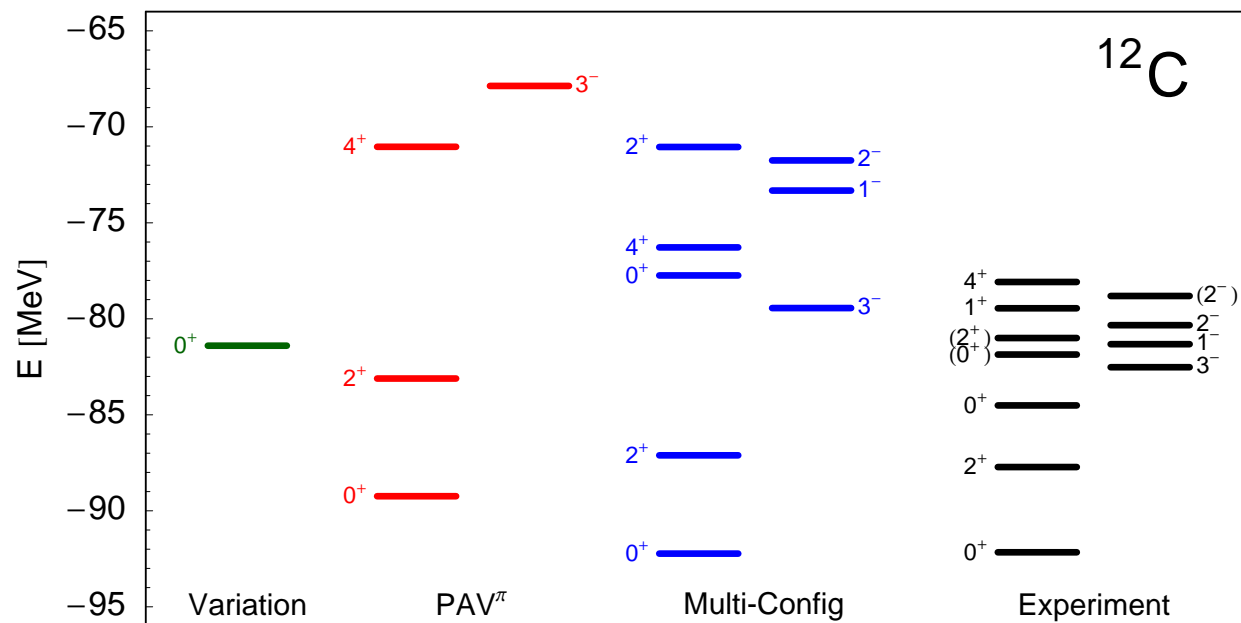
- find energy minimum within parameter space of parity and angular momentum projected states
- implementation via generator coordinate method (constraints on multipole moments)

## ■ Multi-Configuration

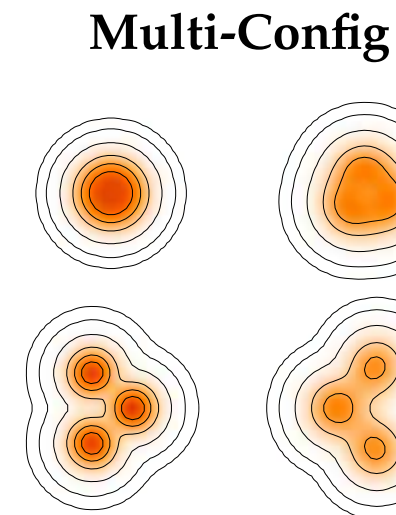
- diagonalization within a set of different Slater determinants



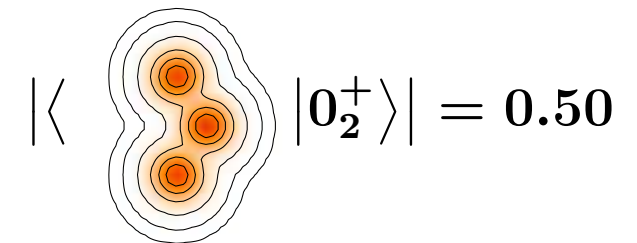
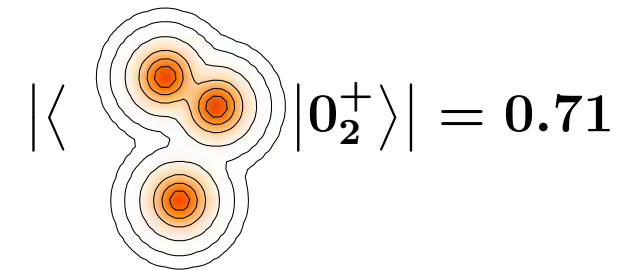
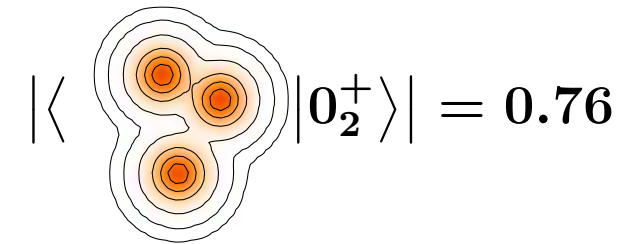
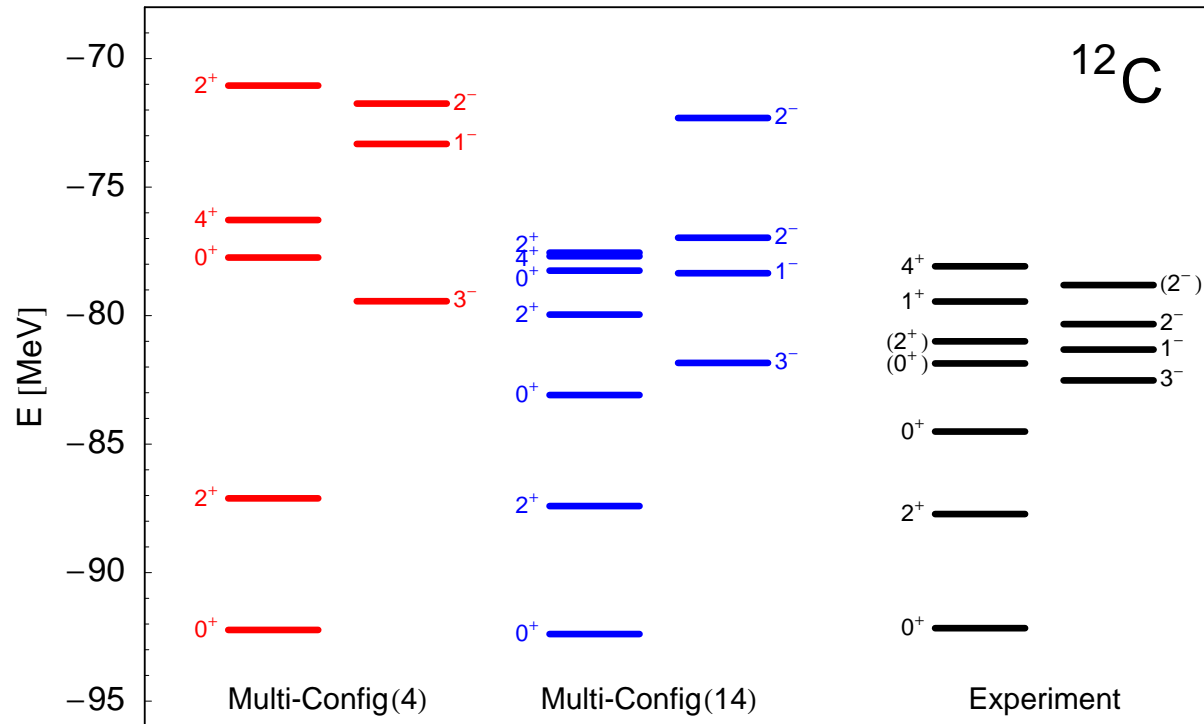
# Structure of $^{12}\text{C}$



	$E$ [MeV]	$R_{ch}$ [fm]	$B(E2)$ [ $e^2 \text{fm}^4$ ]
V/PAV	81.4	2.36	-
VAP $\alpha$ -cluster	79.1	2.70	76.9
PAV $^\pi$	88.5	2.51	36.3
VAP	89.2	2.42	26.8
Multi-Config	92.2	2.52	42.8
Experiment	92.2	2.47	$39.7 \pm 3.3$



# Structure of $^{12}\text{C}$ — Hoyle State



	Multi-Config	Experiment
$E$ [MeV]	92.4	92.2
$R_{\text{ch}}$ [fm]	2.52	2.47
$B(E2, 0_1^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+)$ [ $e^2 \text{fm}^4$ ]	42.9	$39.7 \pm 3.3$
$M(E0, 0_1^+ \rightarrow 0_2^+)$ [ $\text{fm}^2$ ]	5.67	$5.5 \pm 0.2$

# Summary

- UCOM enables the use of **realistic  $NN$ -interactions** in computationally affordable Hilbert spaces
- UCOM **improves convergence behavior** by pre-diagonalizing the Hamiltonian
- input from **few-body calculations** (NCSM) can be used to **constrain and optimize** the correlated  $NN$ -interaction  $V_{\text{UCOM}}$
- calculations using  $V_{\text{UCOM}}$  in a wide range of methods yield encouraging results

