Ab initio NCSMC for three-cluster dynamics

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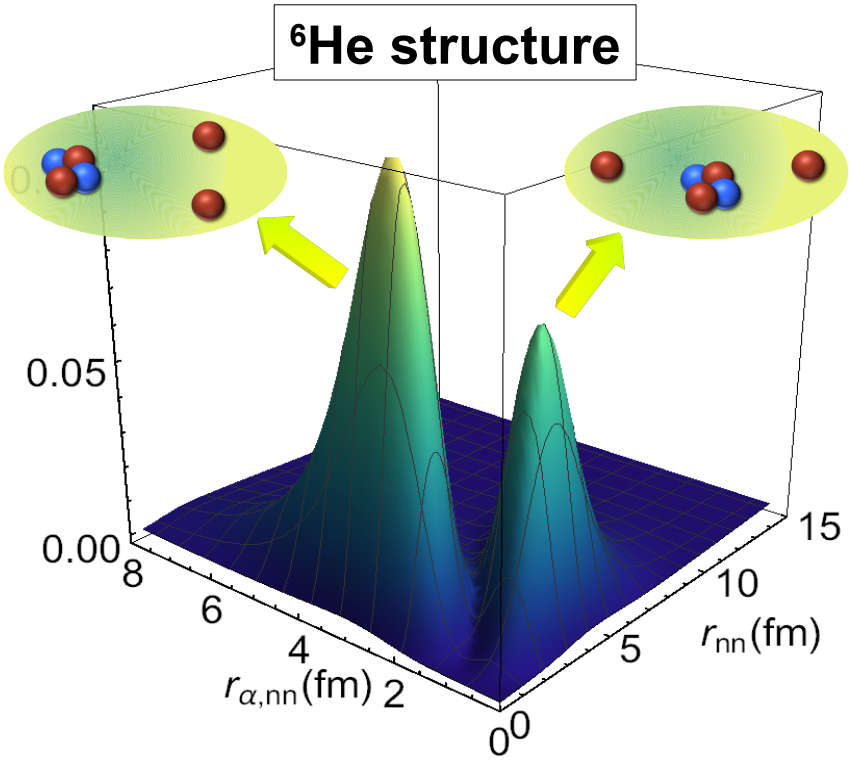

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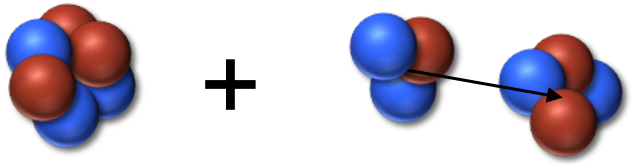

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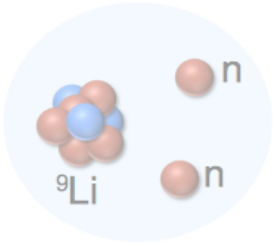

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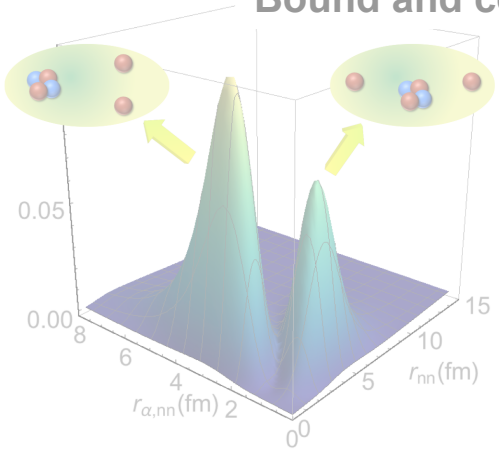

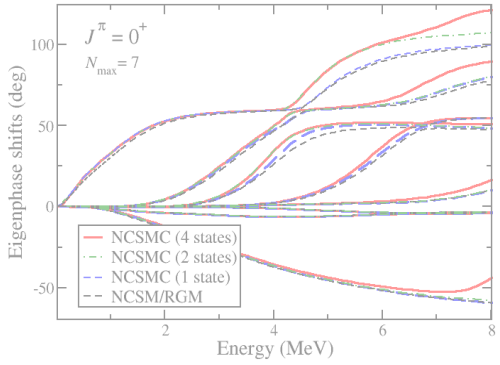

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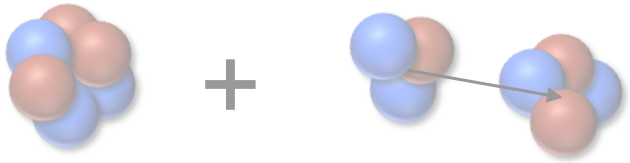

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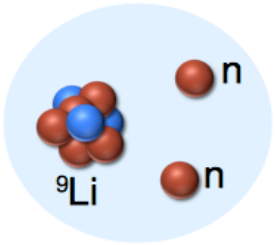

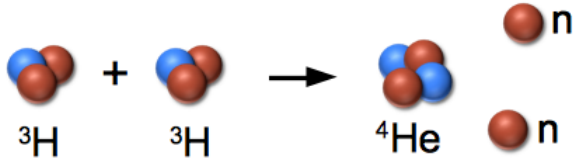

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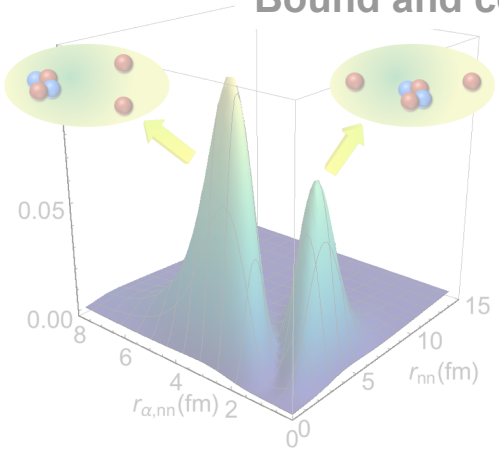

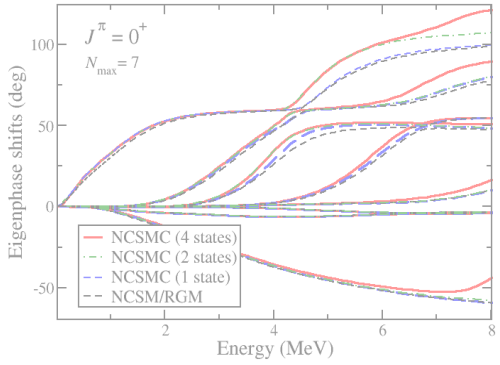

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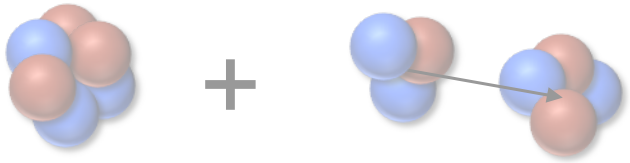

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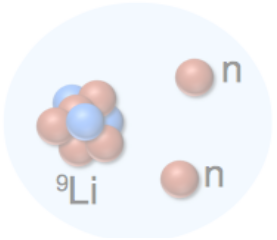

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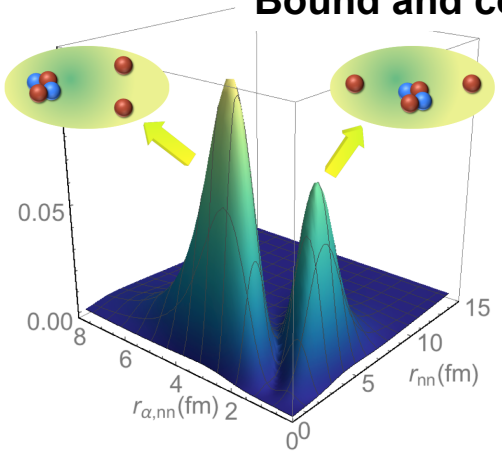

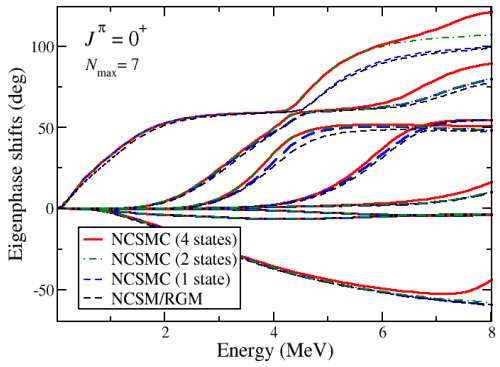

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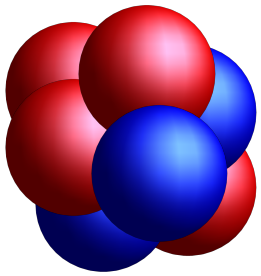

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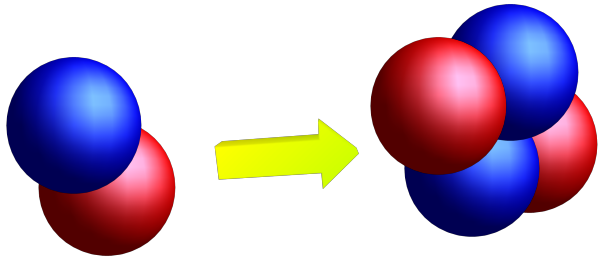

Continuum

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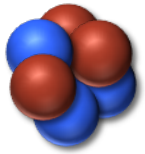

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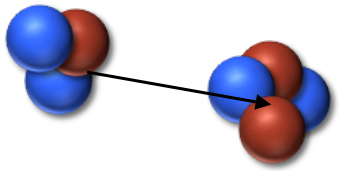

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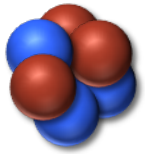

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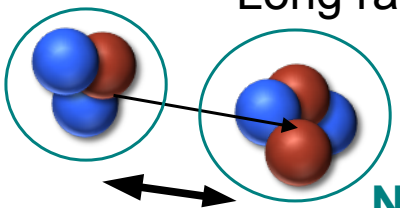

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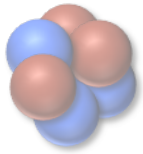

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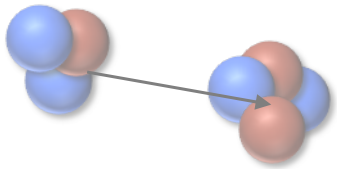

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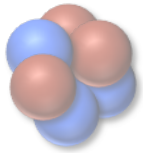

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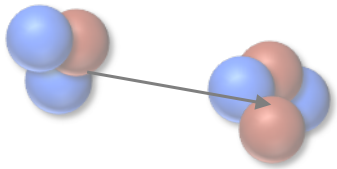

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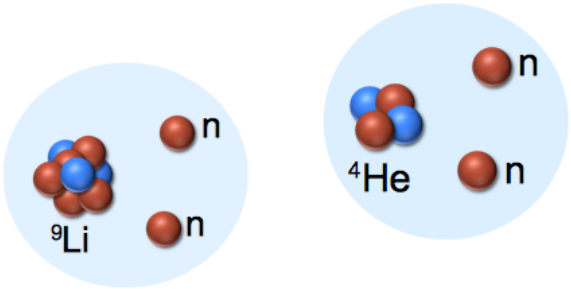

3-body continuum states:
Reactions

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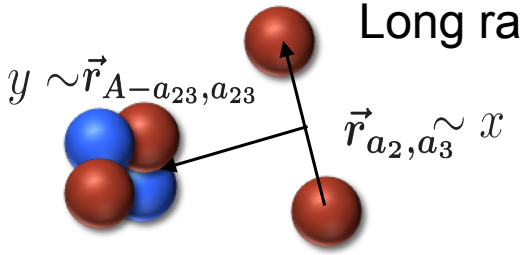

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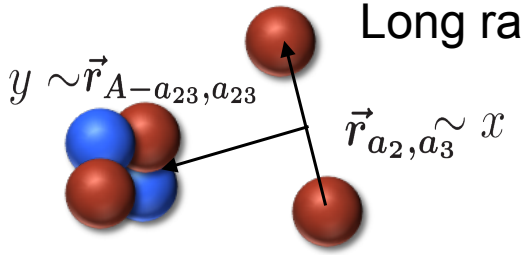

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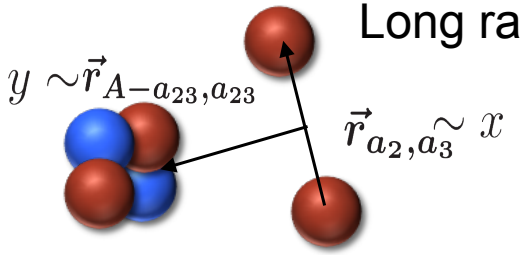

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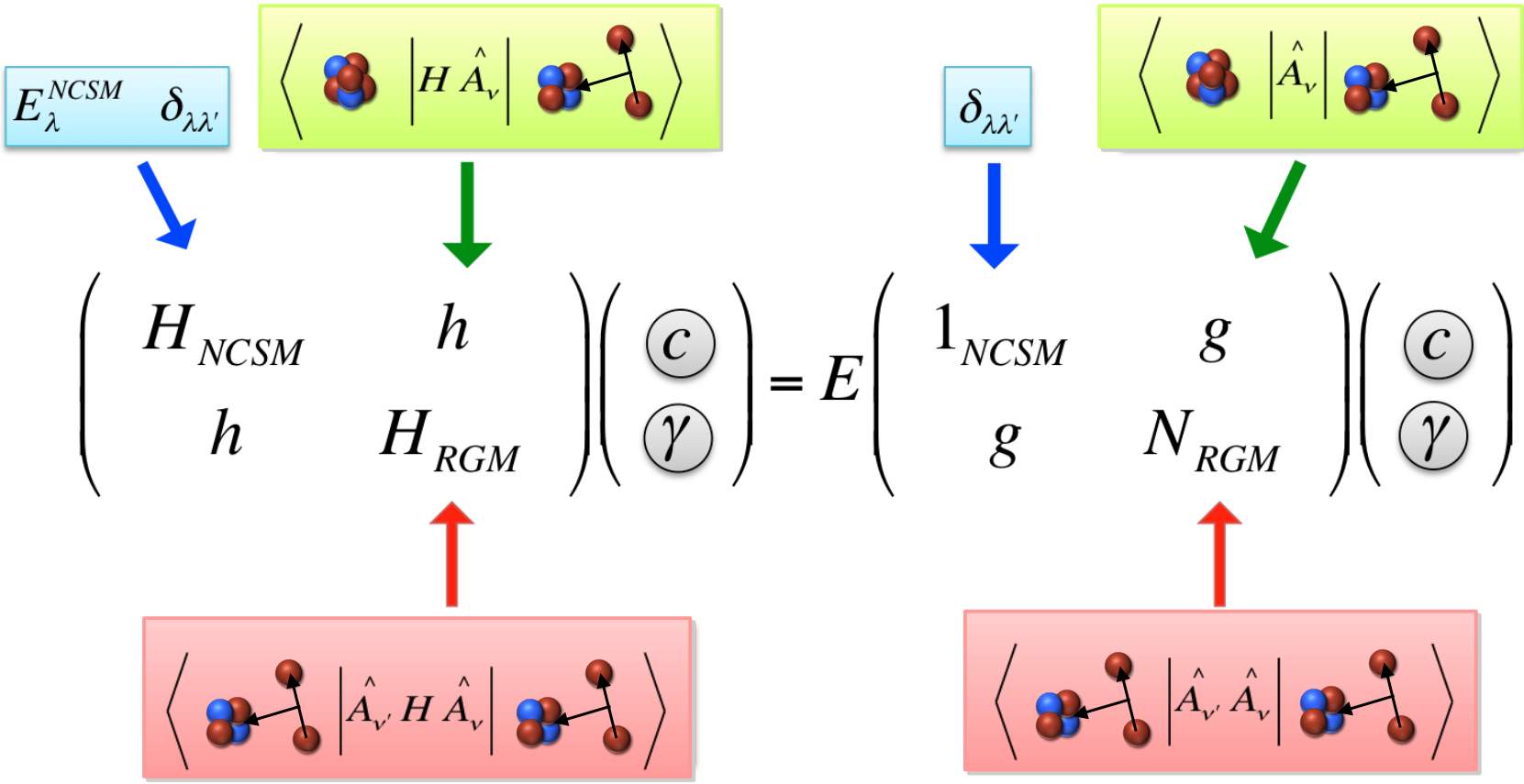

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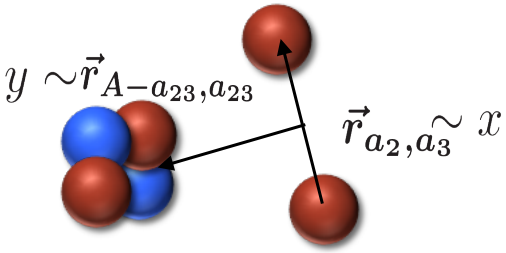

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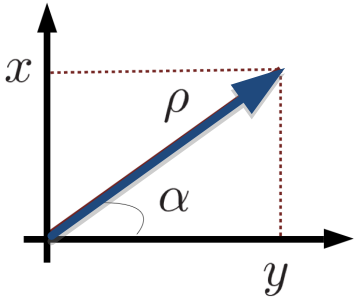

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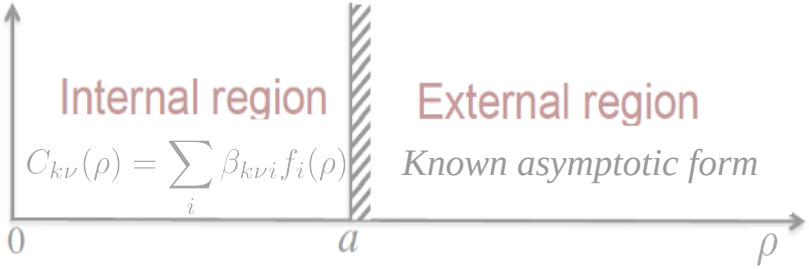

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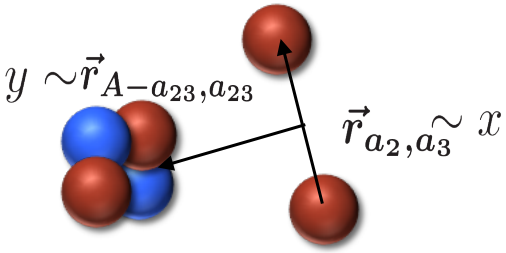

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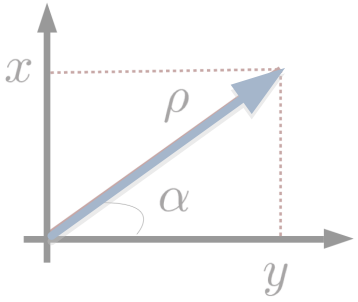

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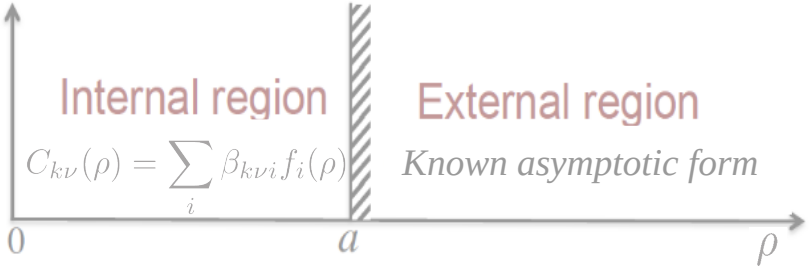

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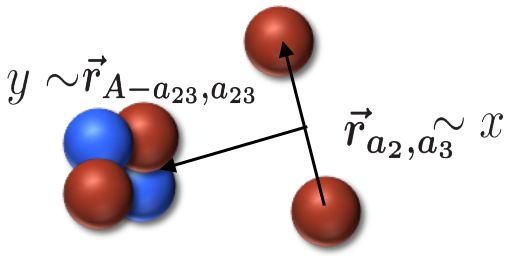

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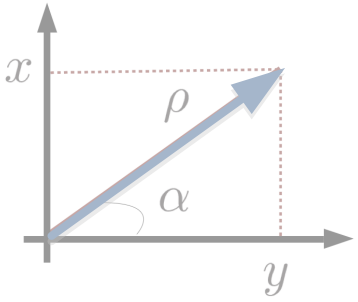

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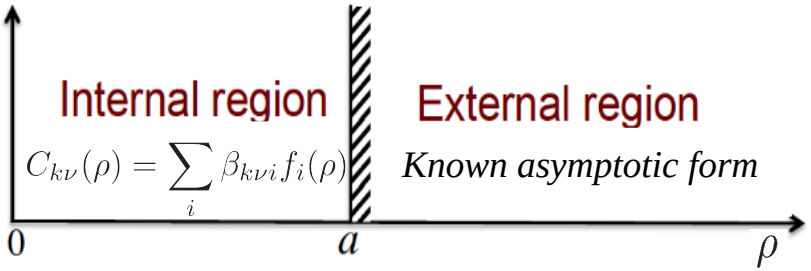

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External region: known asymptotic behavior (ρ > a)

* Bound state: $C_{k\nu}(\rho) = A_{k\nu}\sqrt{\kappa\rho}K_{k+2}(\kappa\rho)$

* Continuum state: $C_{k\nu}(\rho) = A_{k\nu}\left[H_k^-(\kappa\rho)\delta_{\nu,\nu'}\delta_{k,k'} - S_{\nu k,\nu' k'}H_k^+(\kappa\rho)\right]$

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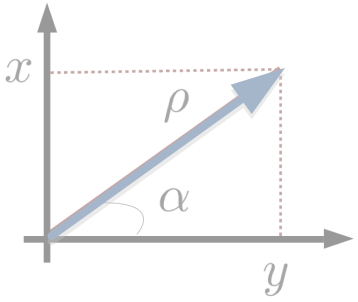

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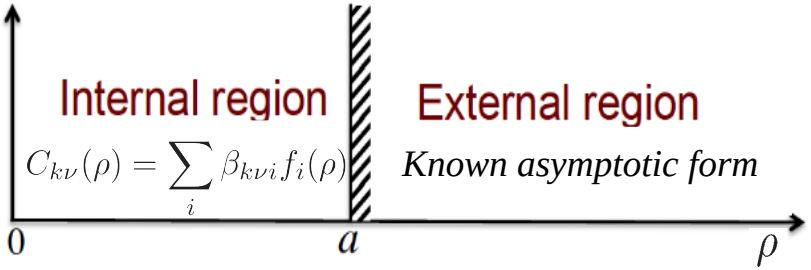

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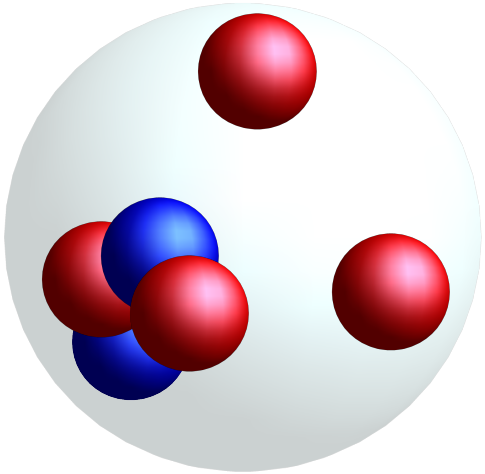
^{6}He is a two-neutron halo, therefore presenting an extended three-cluster configuration



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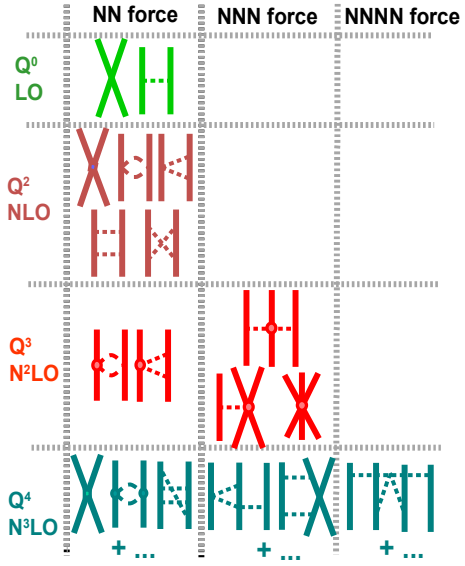

Realistic interactions

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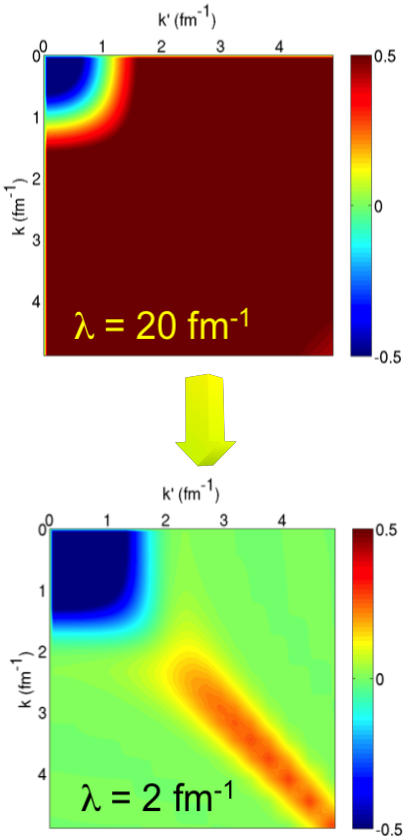

SRG

Decouples low and high momenta

Induces many-body forces of higher order

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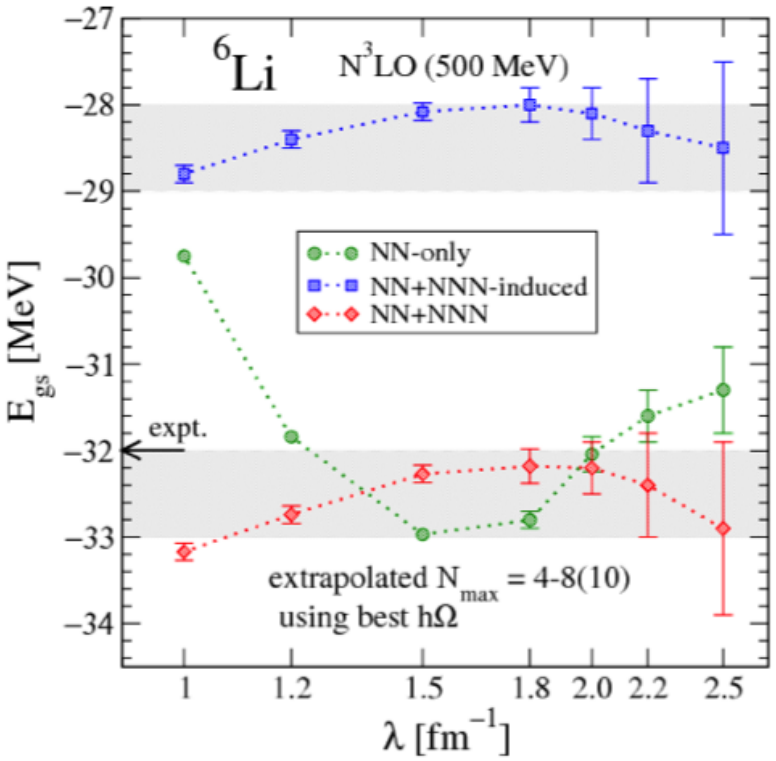

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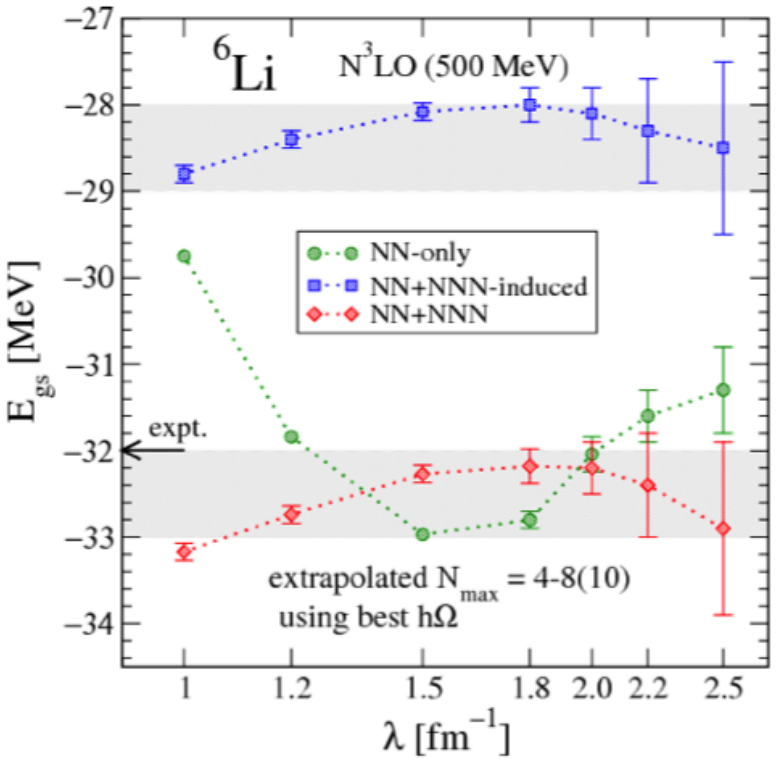

Complete NN force

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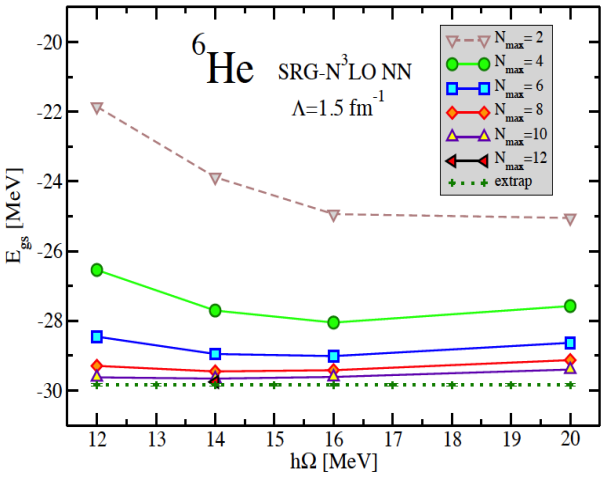
We will use both λ=1.5 and 2.0 fm^{-1}

^{6}He is a two-neutron halo, therefore presenting an extended three-cluster configuration

^{6}He ground state, NCSM



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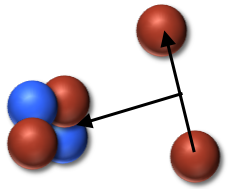

^{4}He (g.s.)

+

^{6}He (up to 10 eigenstates)

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Experimental value
-29.269 MeV

λ=1.5 fm^{-1}

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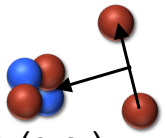

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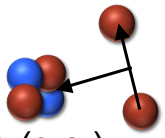

^{4}He (g.s.) + ^{6}He (g.s.)

N_{max}	NCSM	NCSM/RGM	NCSMC (0^+_1)
4	-27.70	-27.14	-28.29
6	-27.98	-28.91	-30.02
8	-28.95	-28.61	-29.69
10	-29.45	-28.70	-29.86
12	-29.66	-28.70	-29.86
Extrapolation	-29.84(4)	---	---

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λ= 2.0 fm^{-1}

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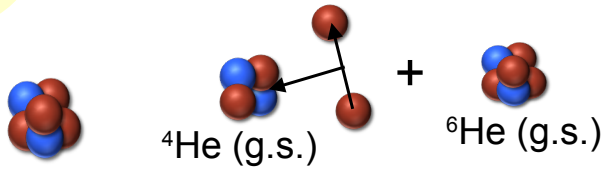

N_{max}	NCSM	NCSMC (0^+_1)
8	-26.44	-28.81
10	-27.70	-28.97
12	-28.37	-29.17
Extrapolation	-29.20(11)*	---

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Matter radius

N_{max}	Λ_{SRG}=1.5 fm^{-1}		Λ_{SRG}=2.0 fm^{-1}	
	NCSM	NCSMC (0^+_1)	NCSM	NCSMC (0^+_1)
8	2.18	2.28	2.06	2.30
10	2.22	2.33	2.10	2.35
12	2.25	2.34	2.15	2.36

Experiments
2.33 ± 0.04 fm, PLB **289**, 261 (1992)
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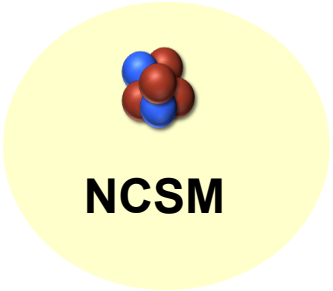

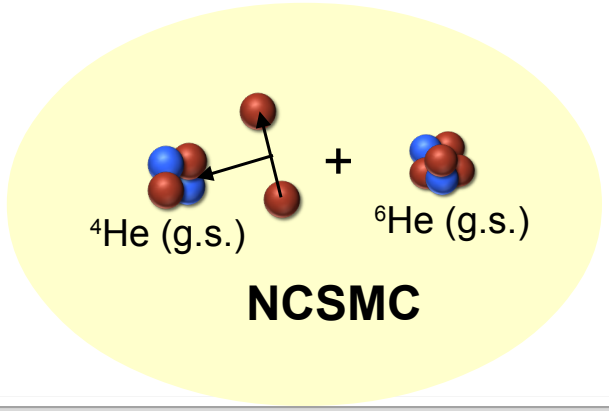

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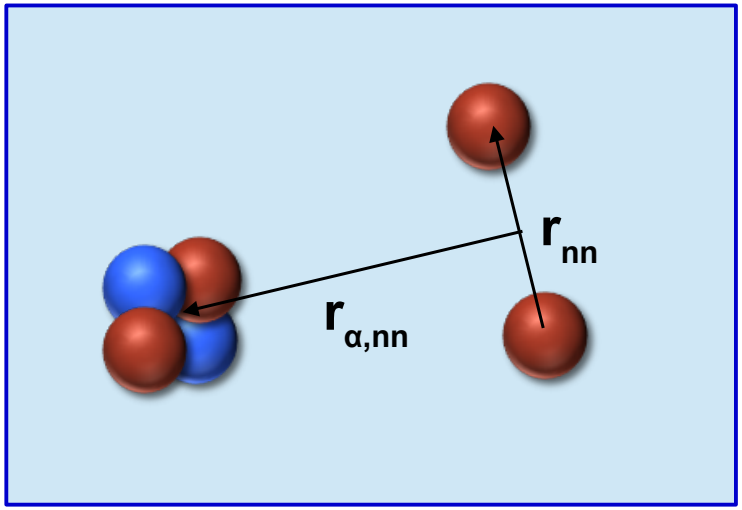

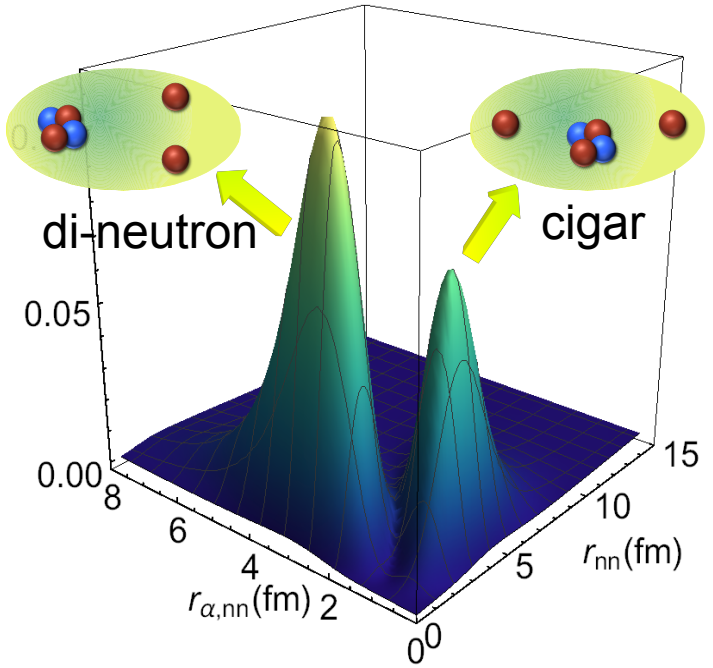

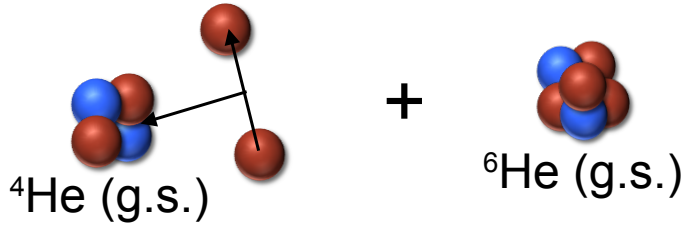

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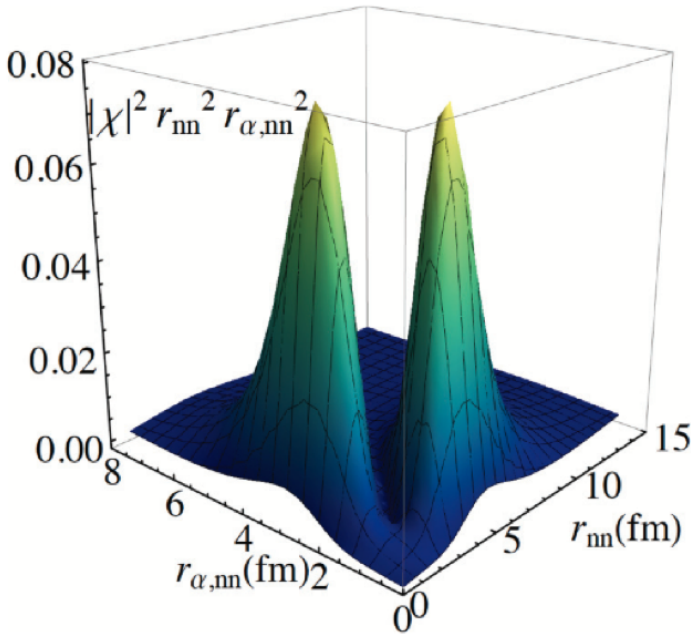

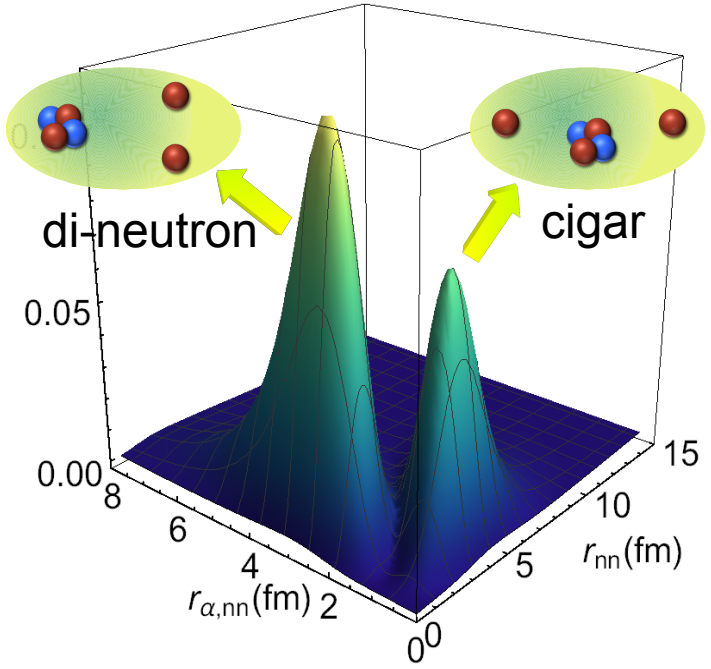

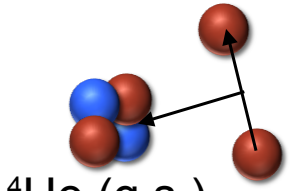

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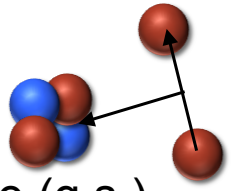

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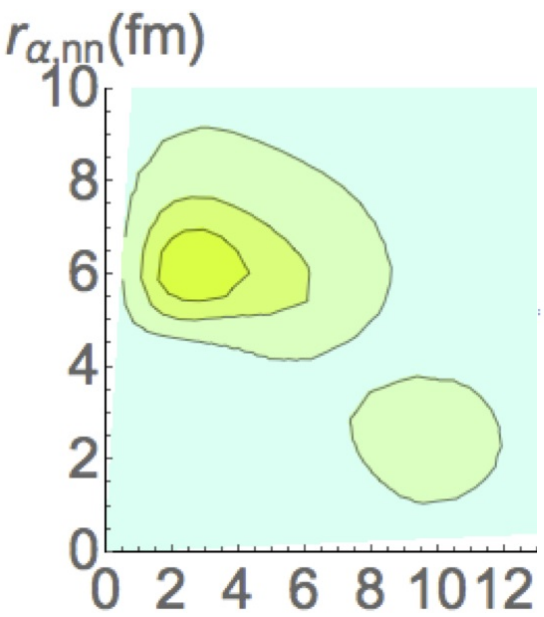

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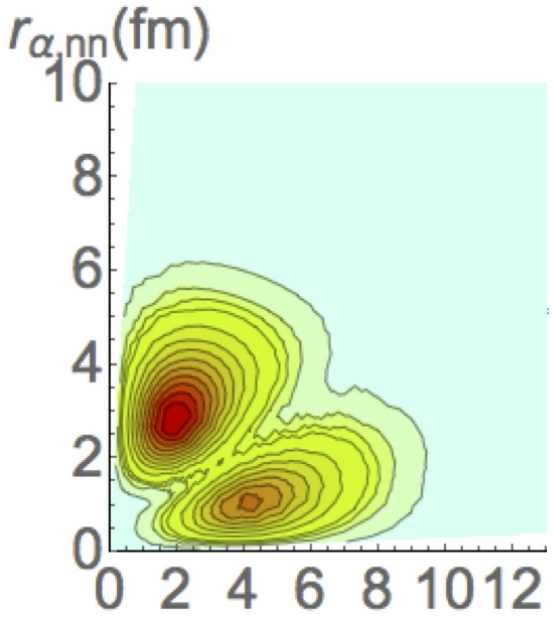

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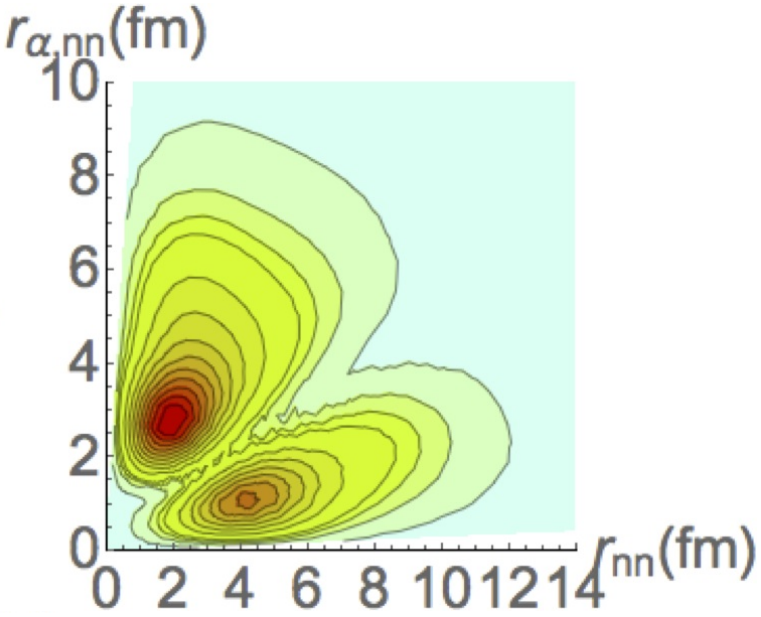

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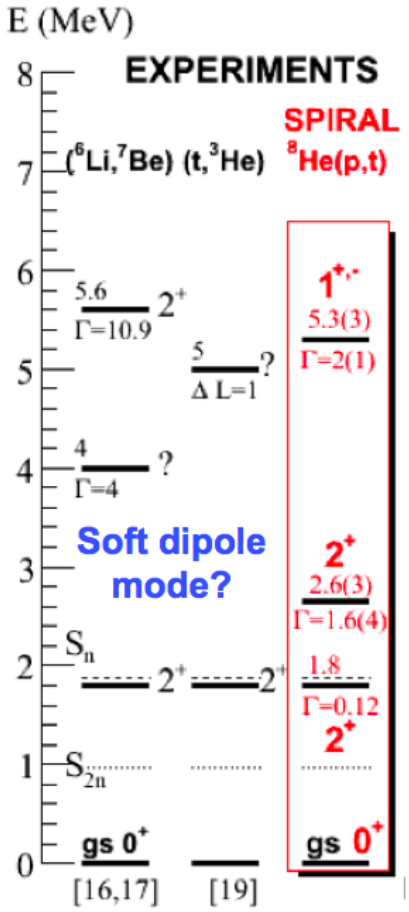
The spectrum of ^{6}He has been remeasured in 2012



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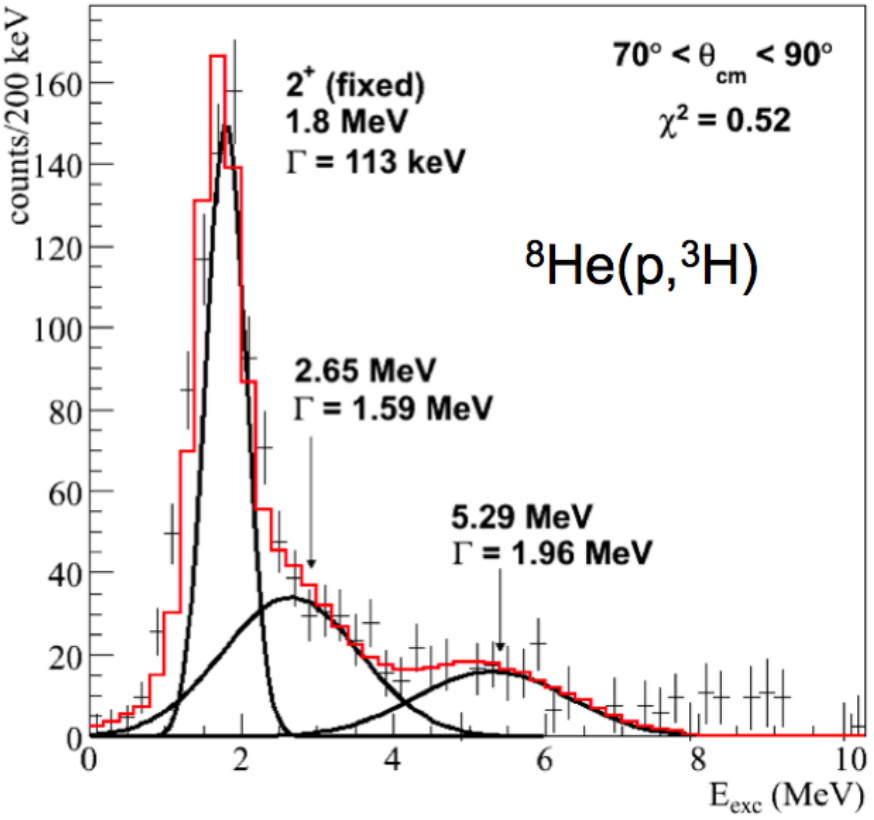

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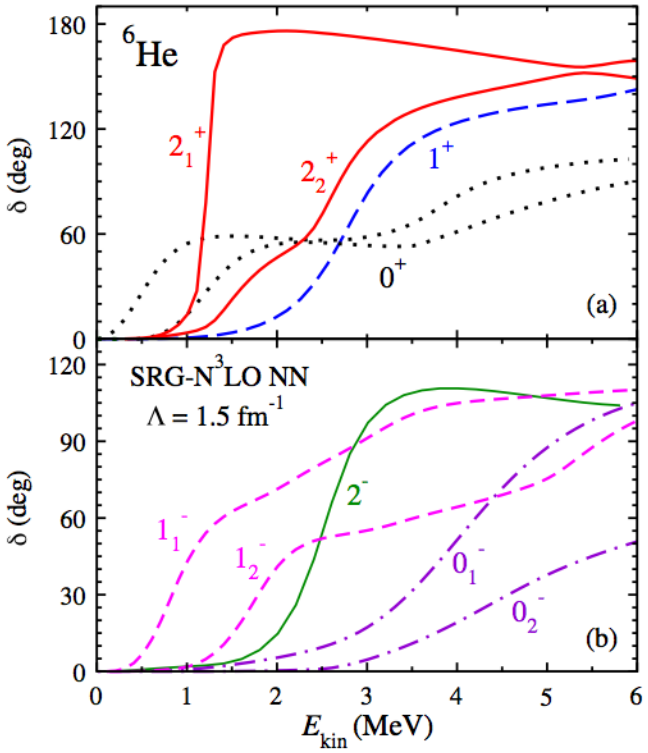

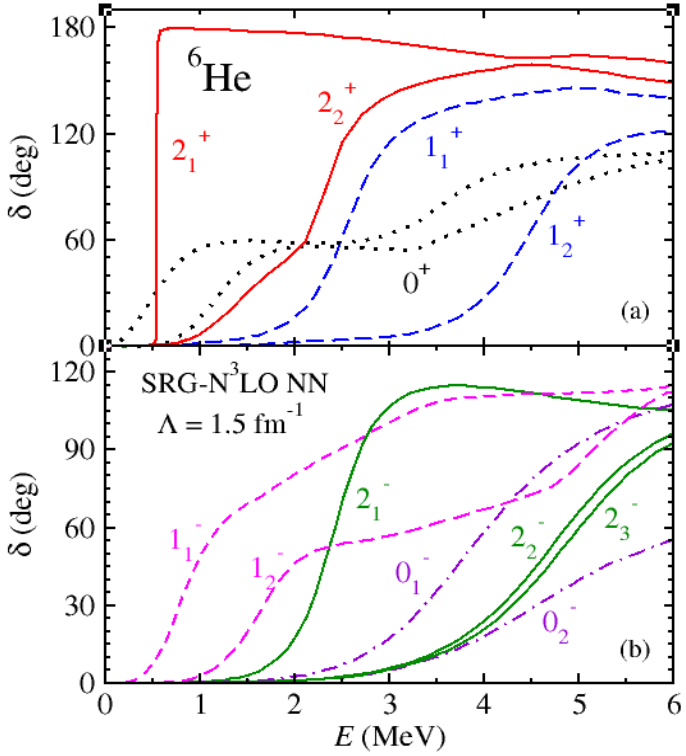

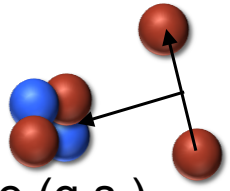

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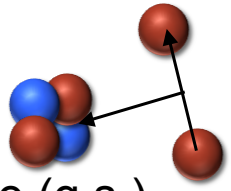

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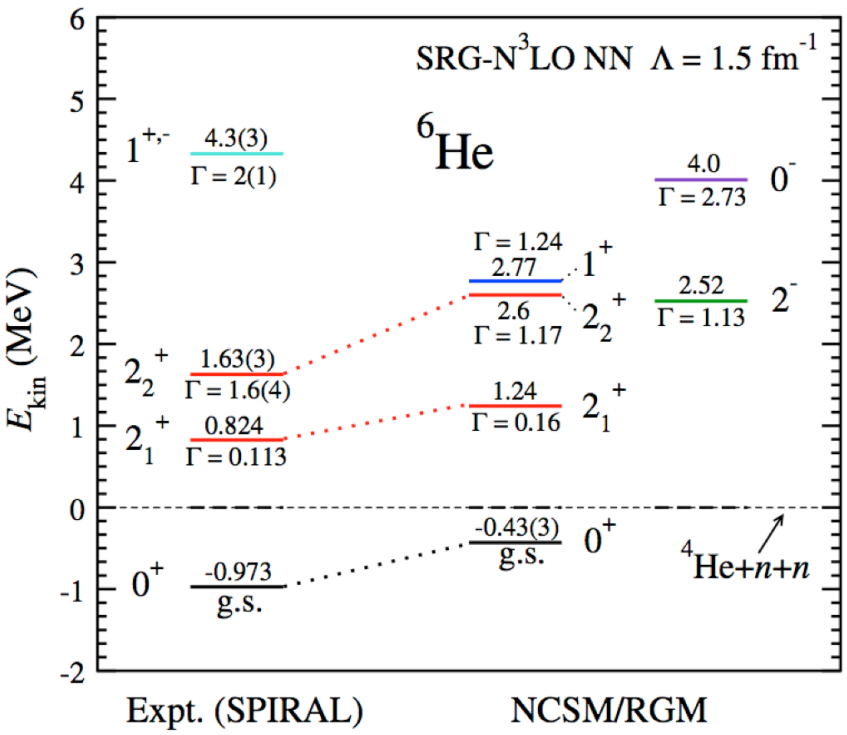

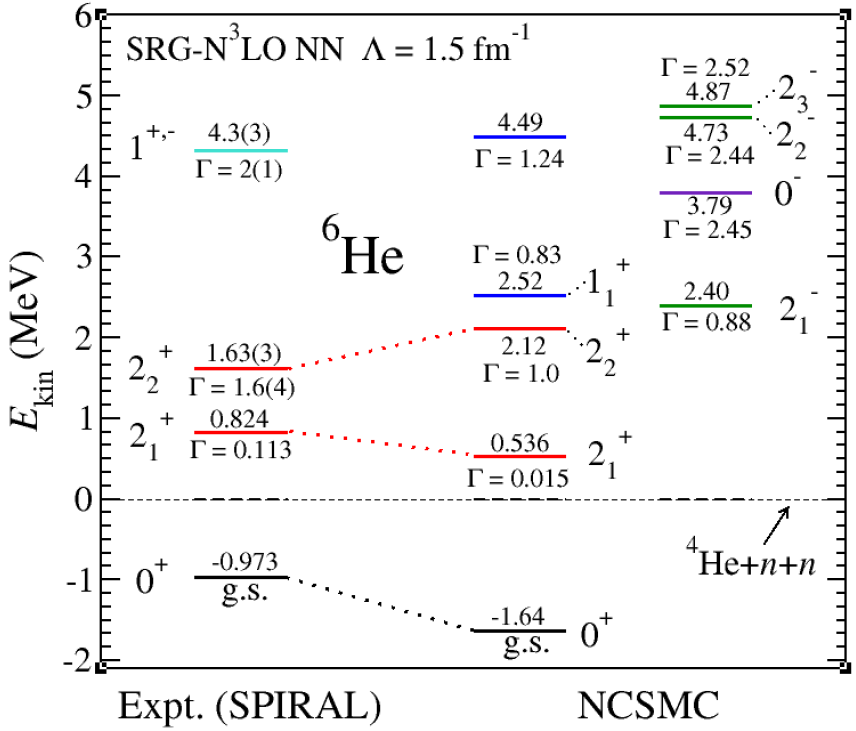

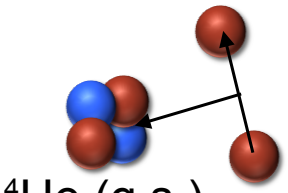

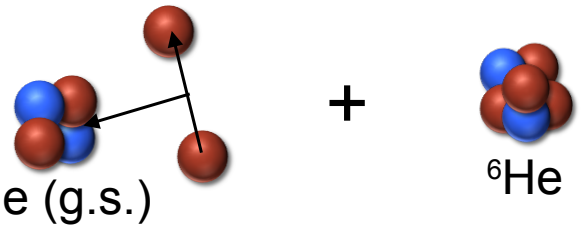

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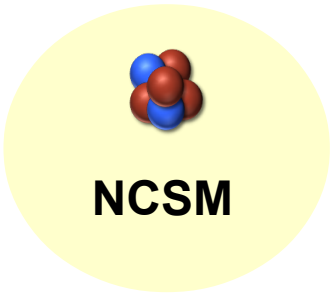

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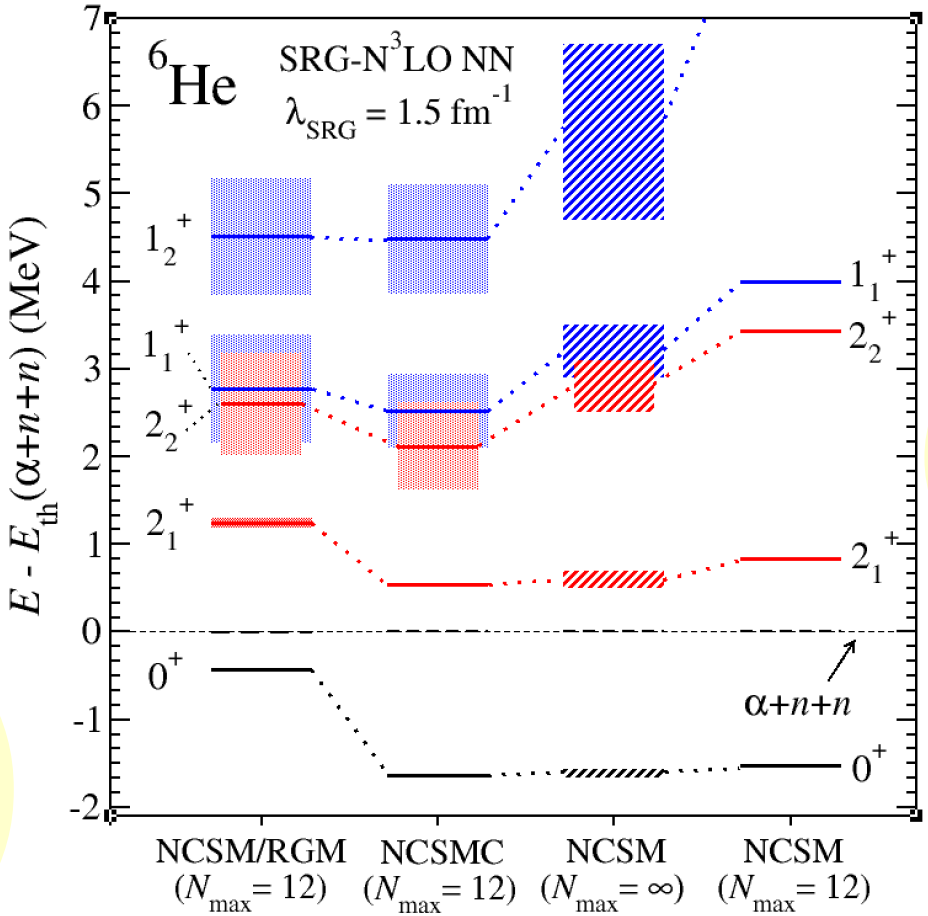

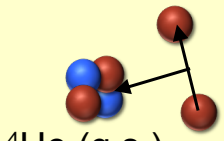

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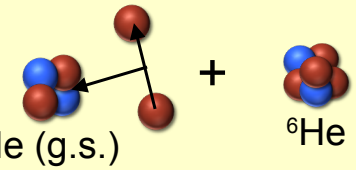

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NCSMC

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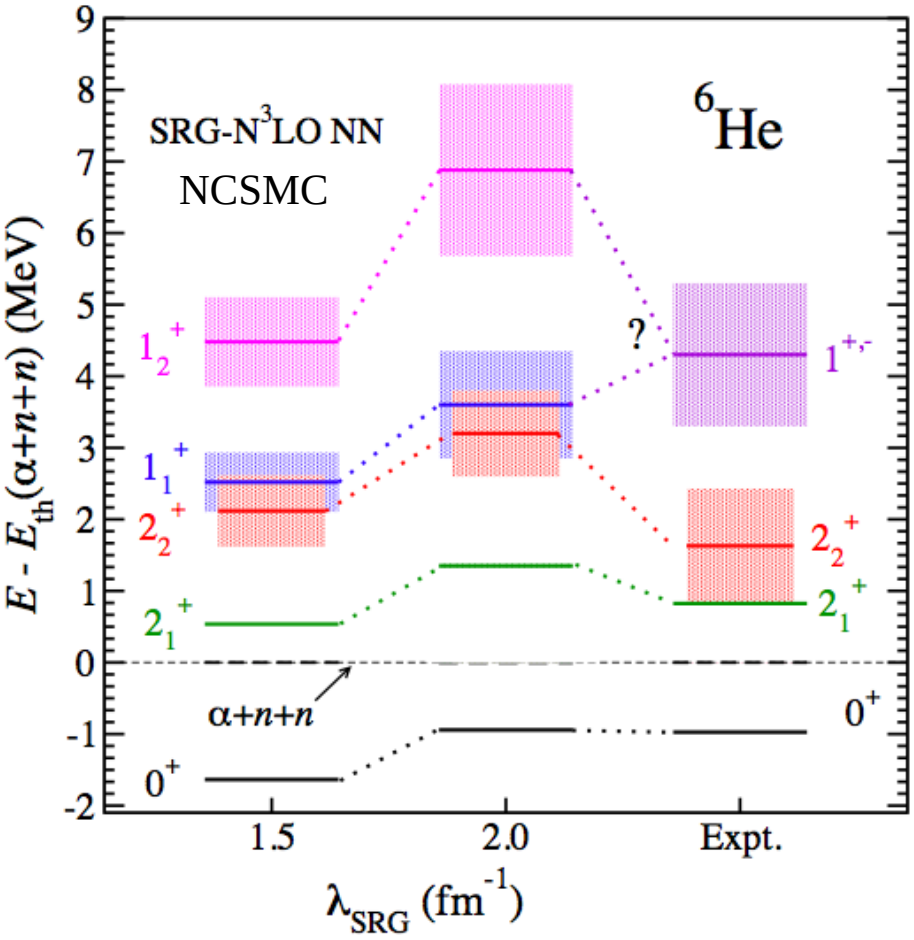

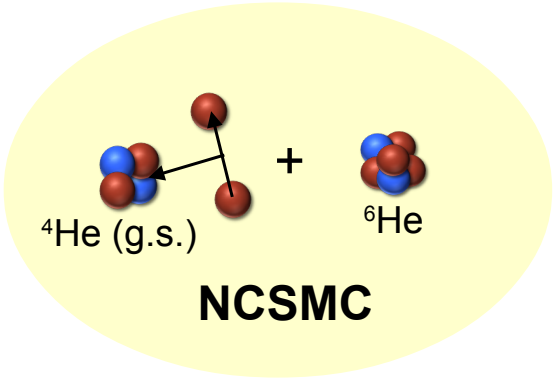

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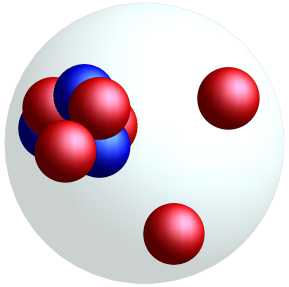

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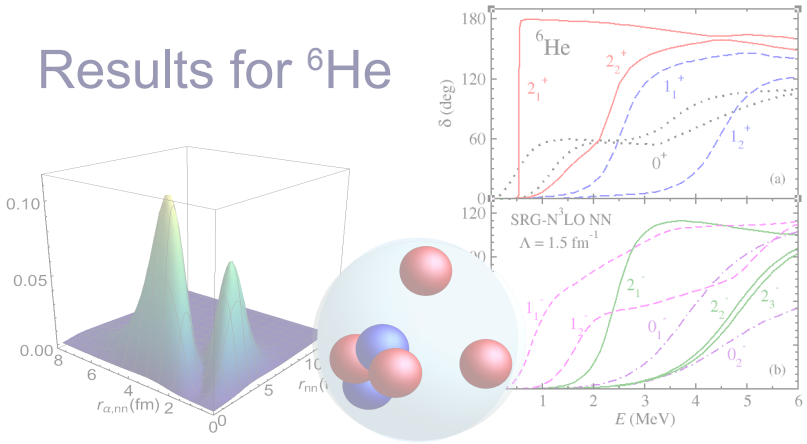

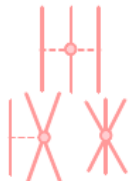

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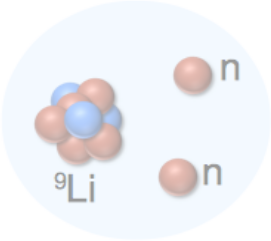

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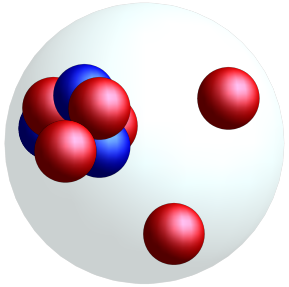

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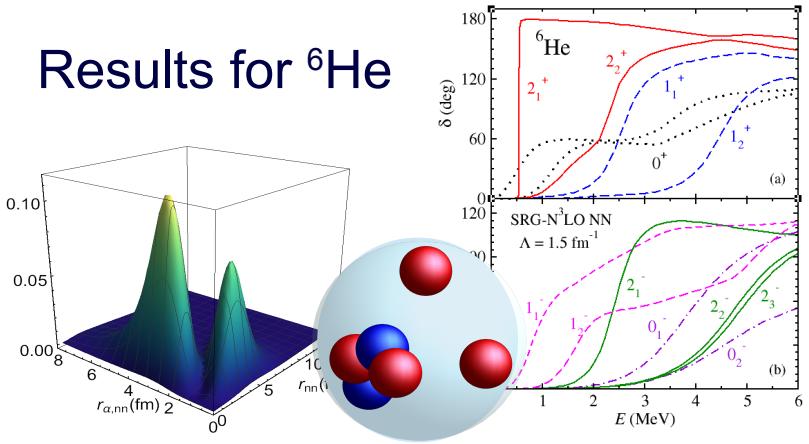

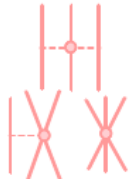

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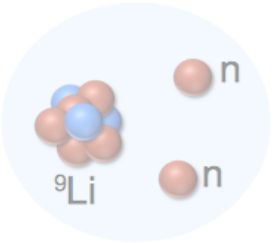

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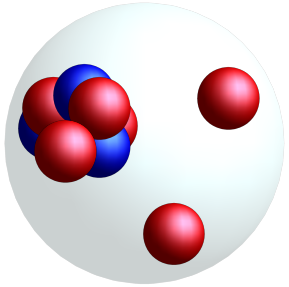

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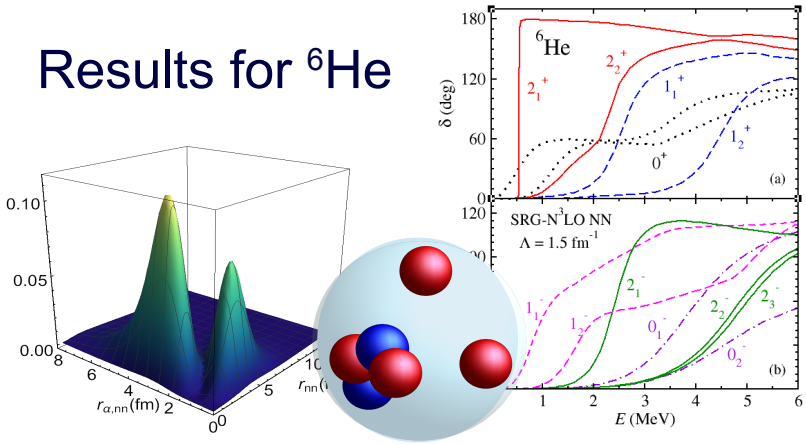

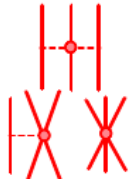

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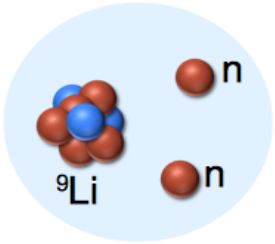

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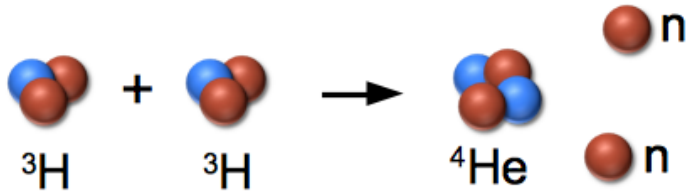

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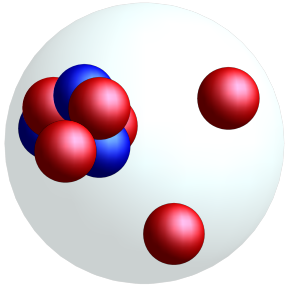

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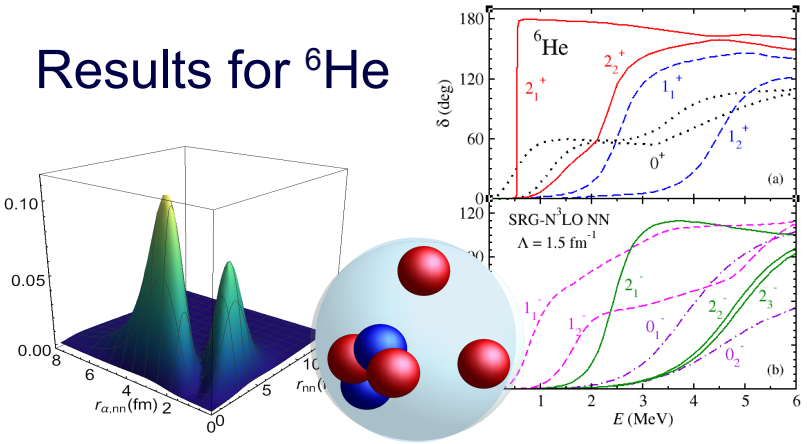

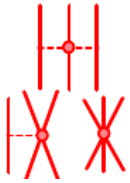

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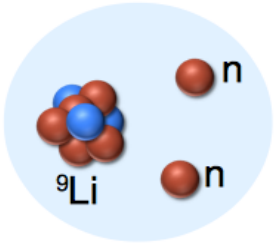

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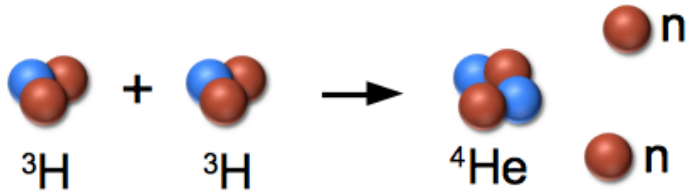

Reactions with 3-body channels

Thank you!

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