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Progress in Ab Initio Techniques in Nuclear Physics

Alpha-cluster structure from no-core Monte Carlo shell model

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“Ab initio” in low-energy nuclear structure physics

- Major challenge in nuclear physics
 - Nuclear structure & reactions directly from *ab-initio* calc. w/ nuclear forces
 - *ab-initio* approaches in nuclear structure calculations ($A > 4$):
 - Light mass: Green’s Function Monte Carlo, No-Core Shell Model ($A \sim 12$),
 - Medium/heavy mass: Coupled Cluster, IM-SRG,
 - Self-consistent Green’s Function theory, Lattice EFT, UMOA, ...
- Solve the non-relativistic many-body Schroedinger eq. and obtain the eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

$$H|\Psi\rangle = E|\Psi\rangle$$

$$H = T + V_{NN} + V_{3N} + \dots + V_{\text{Coulomb}}$$

- *Ab initio*: All nucleons are active, and Hamiltonian consists of realistic NN (+ 3N + ...) potentials.

→ Computationally demanding → Monte Carlo shell model (MCSM)

Monte Carlo shell model (MCSM)

Standard shell model

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{pmatrix} * & * & * & * & * & \dots \\ * & * & * & * & & \\ * & * & * & & & \\ * & * & & \ddots & & \\ * & & & & & \\ \vdots & & & & & \end{pmatrix}$$

Diagonalization

$$\begin{pmatrix} E_0 & & & & & 0 \\ & E_1 & & & & \\ & & E_2 & & & \\ & & & \ddots & & \\ & & & & & \\ 0 & & & & & \end{pmatrix}$$

Large sparse matrix $\sim \mathcal{O}(10^{10})$ # non-zero MEs $\sim \mathcal{O}(10^{13-14})$

- Importance truncation

Monte Carlo shell model

$$\mathbf{H} \sim \begin{pmatrix} * & * & \dots \\ * & \ddots & \\ \vdots & & \end{pmatrix}$$

Diagonalization

$$\begin{pmatrix} E'_0 & & 0 \\ & E'_1 & \\ 0 & & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

Important bases stochastically selected $\sim \mathcal{O}(100)$

T. Otsuka *et al.*, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 47, 319 (2001)

$$|\Psi(J, M, \pi)\rangle = \sum_i^{N_{basis}} f_i |\Phi_i(J, M, \pi)\rangle$$

$$|\Phi(J, M, \pi)\rangle = \sum_K g_K P_{MK}^J P^\pi |\phi\rangle$$

diagonalization

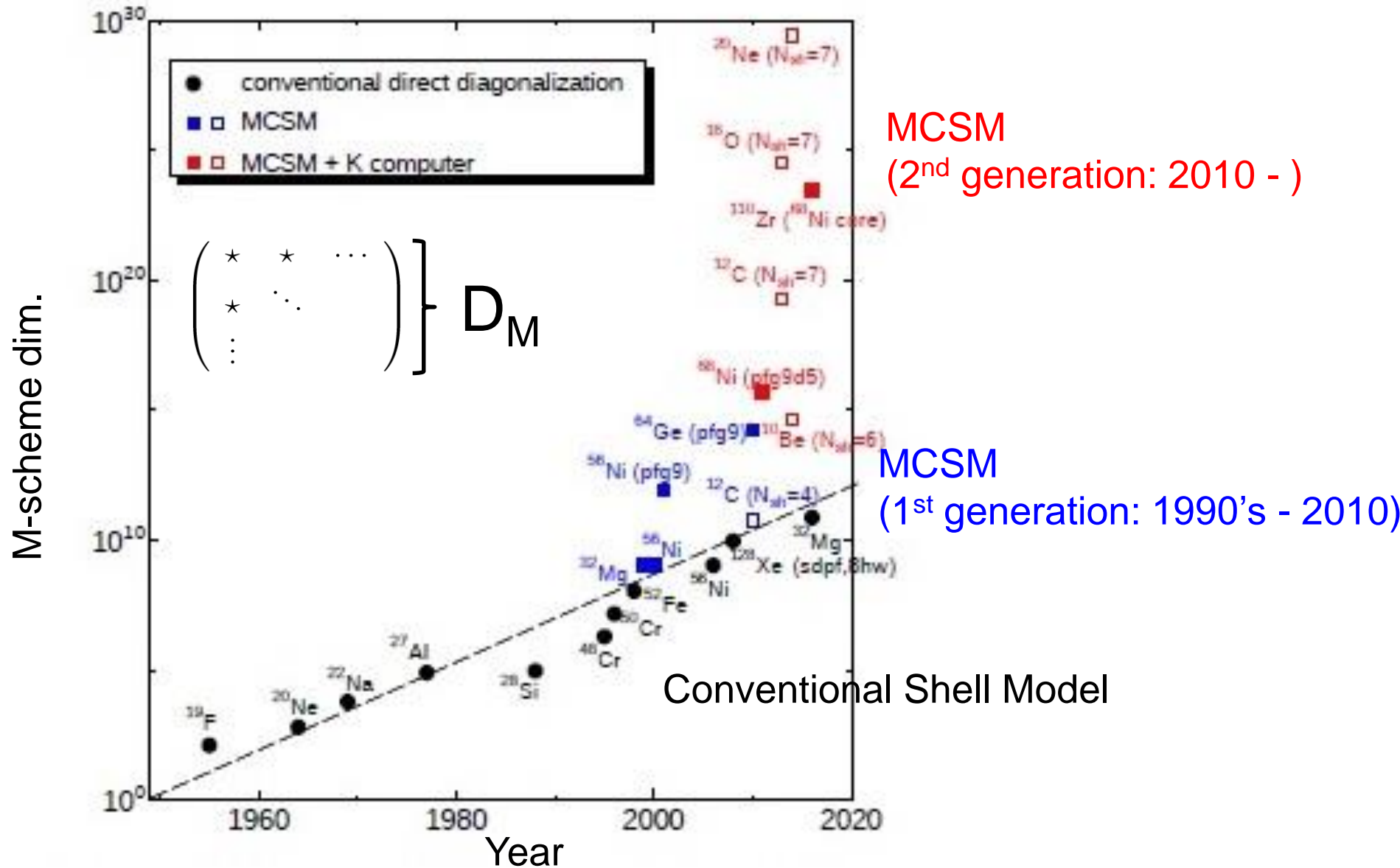
$$|\phi\rangle = \prod_i^A a_i^\dagger |-\rangle$$

$$a_i^\dagger = \sum_\alpha c_\alpha^\dagger D_{\alpha i}$$

Deformed Spherical

stochastic sampling & CG method

Historical evolution/development of the MCSM



How to obtain ab-initio results from no-core MCSM

- Two steps of the extrapolation

← Same as in the MCSM w/ an inert core

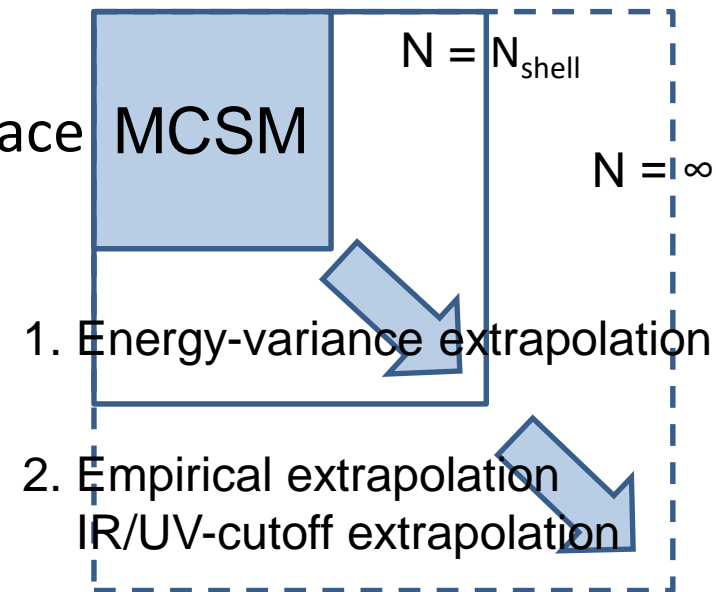
1. Extrapolation of our MCSM (approx.) results to exact results in the fixed size of model space

Energy-variance extrapolation

N. Shimizu, Y. Utsuno, T. Mizusaki, T. Otsuka, T. Abe, & M. Honma, Phys. Rev. C82, 061305(R) (2010)

2. Extrapolation into the infinite model space

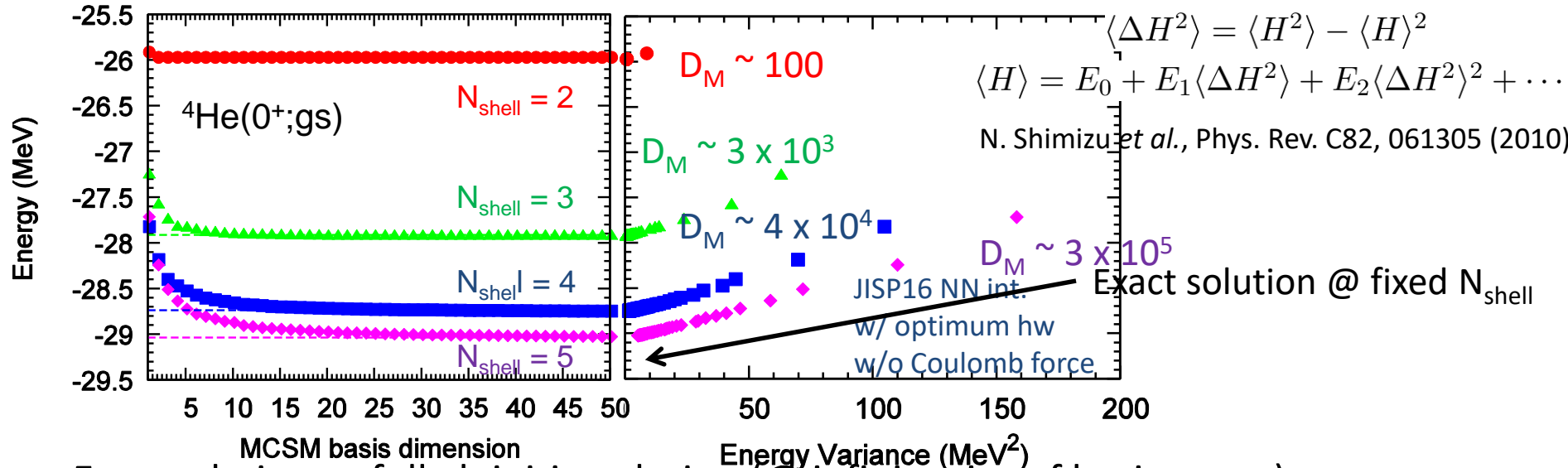
- Empirical extrapolation w.r.t. N_{shell}
- IR- & UV-cutoff extrapolations



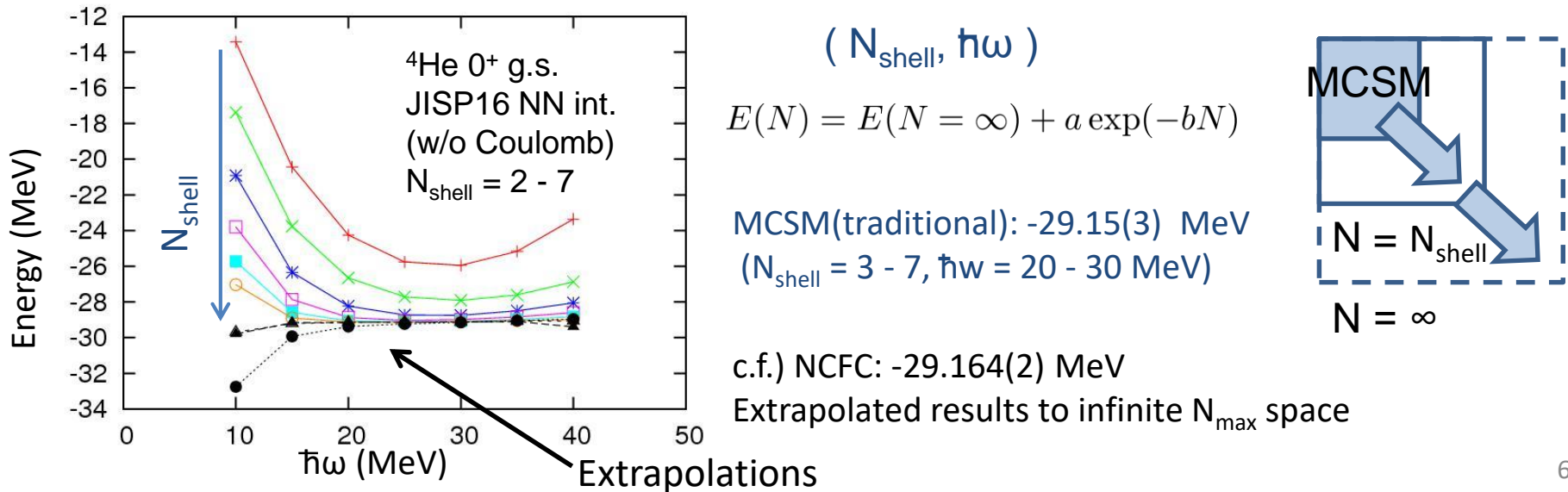
→ **Ab initio solution**

Extrapolations

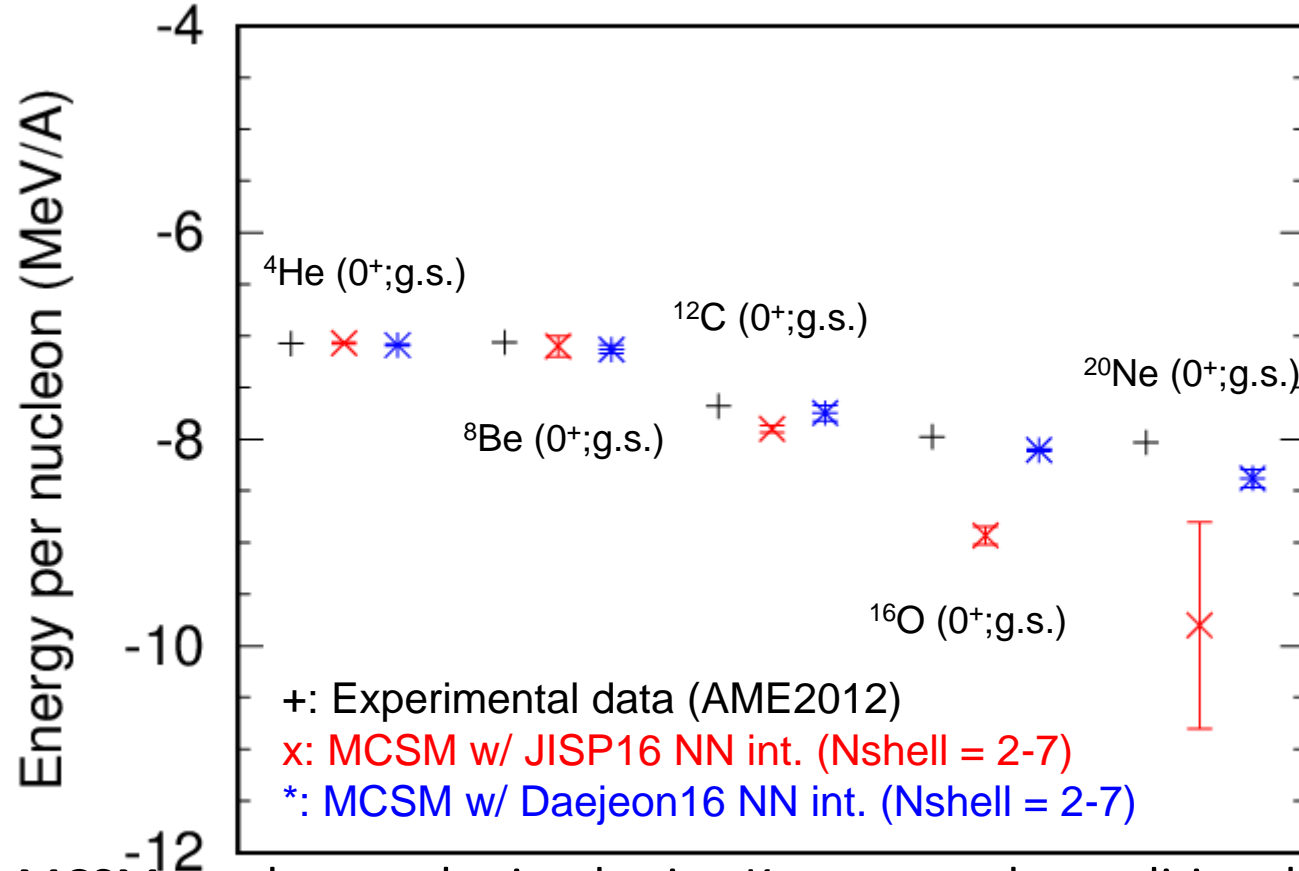
- Extrapolation to FCI results (@ fixed size of basis space) <- Energy variance



- Extrapolation to full ab initio solution (@ infinite size of basis space)



Comparison of MCSM results w/ experiments



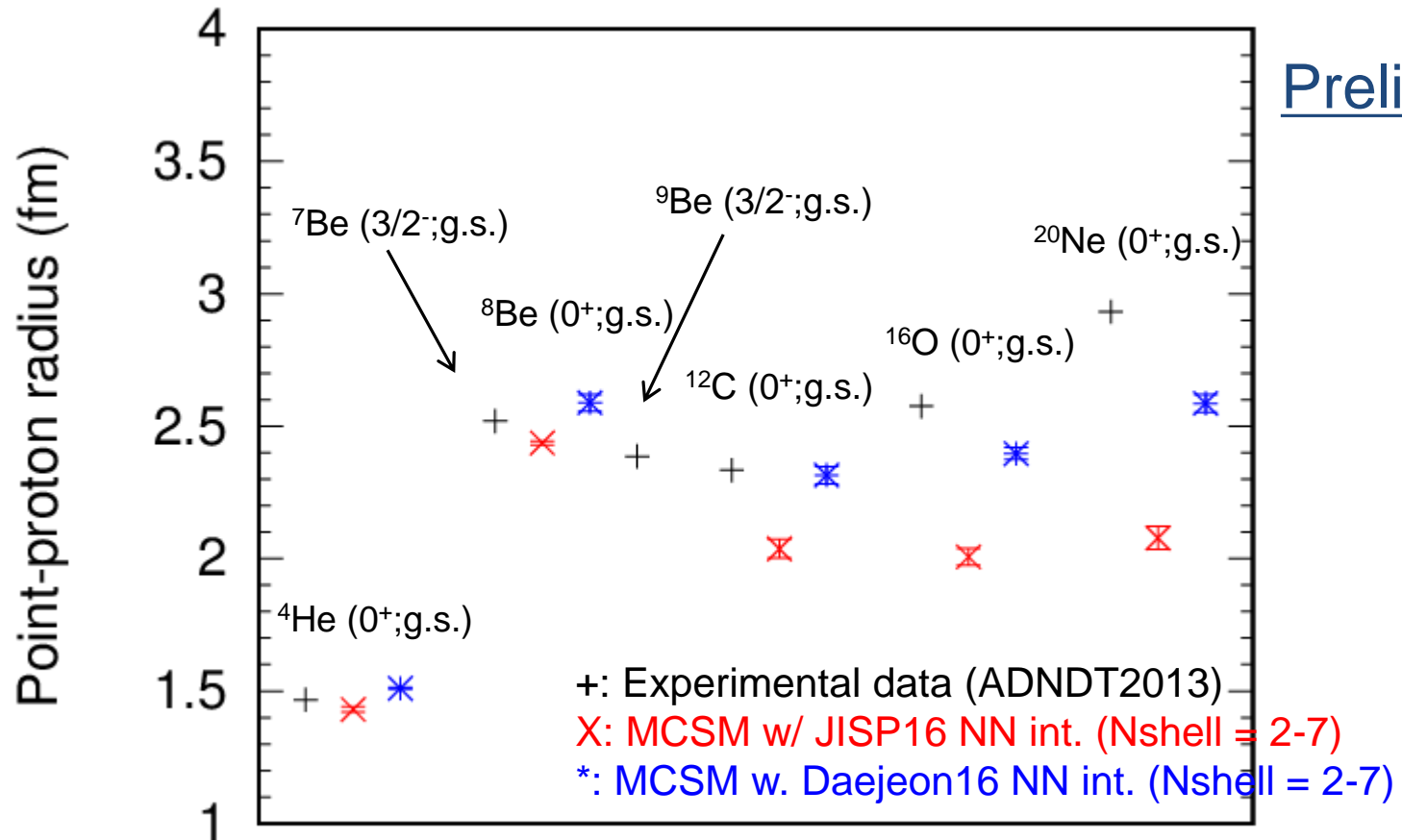
Preliminary

MCSM results are obtained using K computer by traditional extrapolation w/ optimum harmonic oscillator energies.

JISP16 results show good agreements w/ experimental data up to ¹²C, slightly overbound for ¹⁶O, and clearly overbound for ²⁰Ne.

Daejeon16 results show good agreements w/ experimental data up to ²⁰Ne.

Comparison of MCSM results w/ experiments



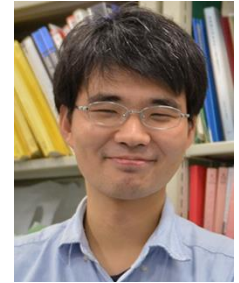
MCSM results are obtained using K computer around optimum harmonic oscillator energies for radii.

JISP16 results show good agreements w/ experimental data up to ⁸Be, clearly smaller for heavier nuclei beyond ¹²C as A increases.

Daejeon16 results show larger radii than JISP16 ones.

G.S. energies & excitation spectra of Be isotopes

- Ground-state energies



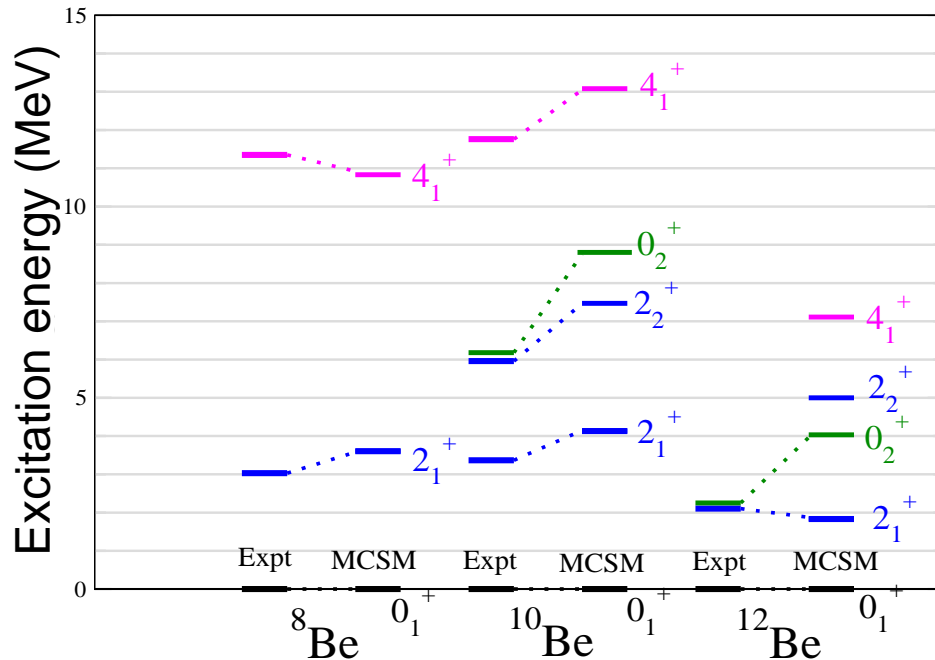
T. Yoshida (RIST)

	MCSM (MeV)	Expt (MeV)
${}^8\text{Be} (0^+)$	-49.95	-56.499
${}^{10}\text{Be} (0^+)$	-53.4	-64.98
${}^{12}\text{Be} (0^+)$	-49.93	-68.65

- Excitation energies

JISP16 NN

$N_{\text{shell}} = 6$, $hw = 15$ MeV

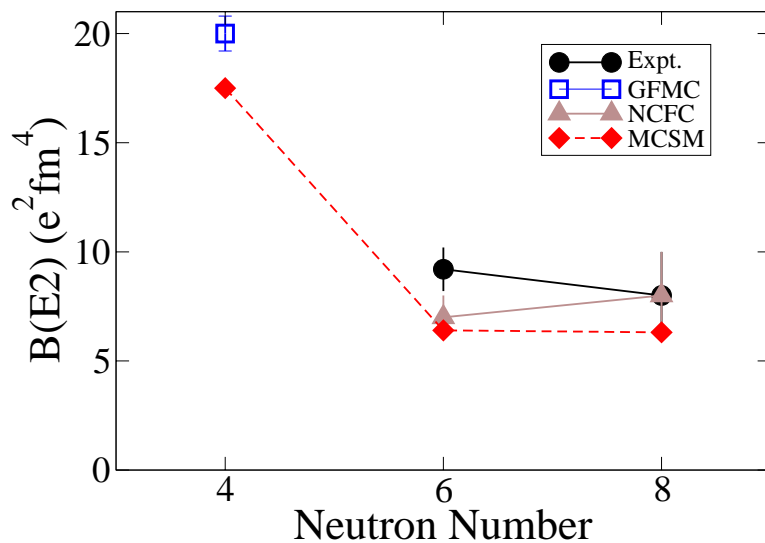


Expt.: ${}^8\text{Be}, {}^{10}\text{Be}$ (Tilley et al., 2004),
 ${}^{12}\text{Be}$ (Shimoura et al., 2003)

MCSM: JISP16 NN int., $N_{\text{shell}} = 6$, $hw = 15$ MeV

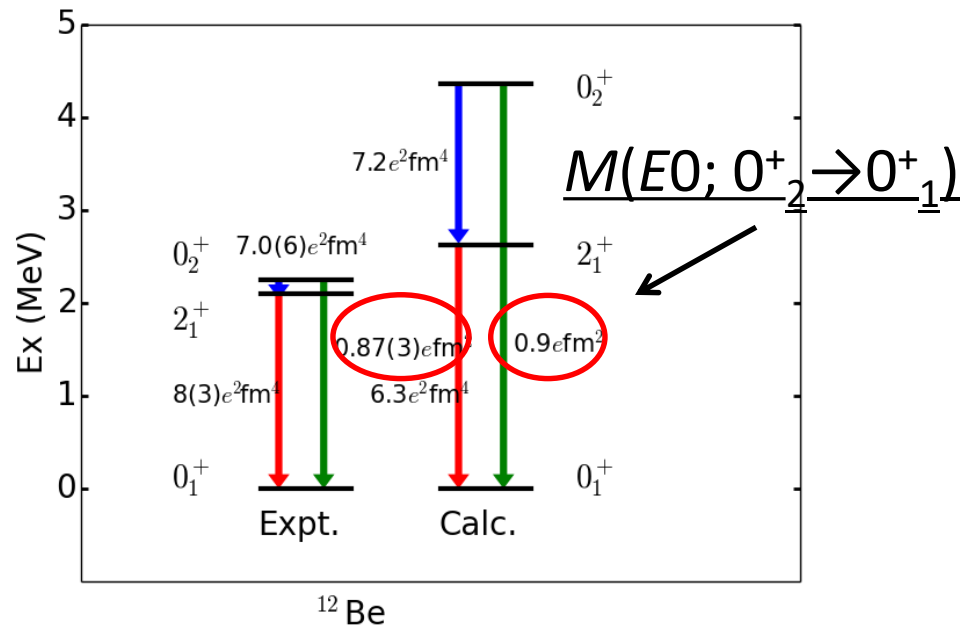
E2 & E0 transition strengths of Be isotopes

- E2 transition strengths
 $B(E2; 2^+_{1\gamma} \rightarrow 0^+_{1\gamma})$



Expt.: ⁸Be Datar *et al.* 2013
¹⁰Be McCutchan *et al.* 2009
¹²Be Imai *et al.* 2009

- E2 & E0 transition strengths in ¹²Be

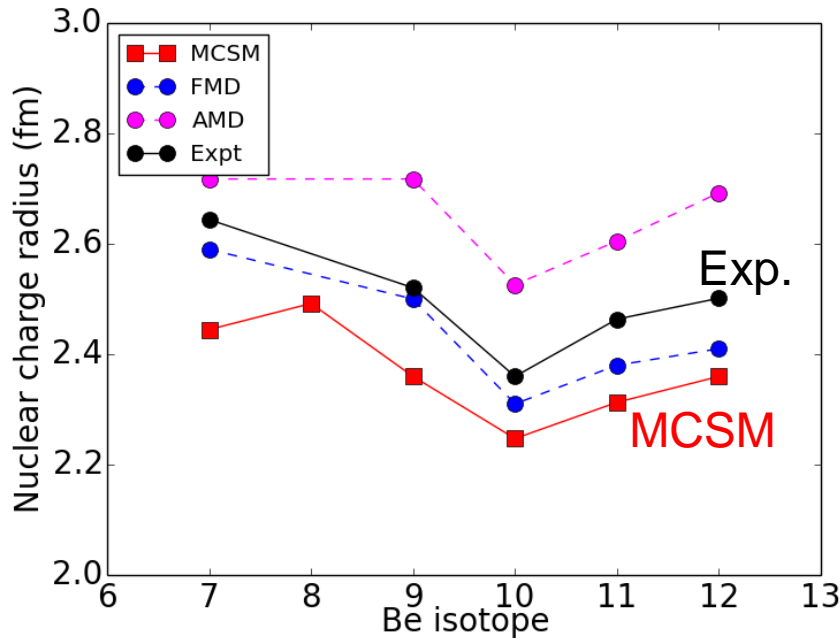


Expt.:
 S. Shimoura, et al., Phys. Lett. B 654 87 (2007)
 N. Imai, et al., Phys. Lett. B 673 179 (2009)

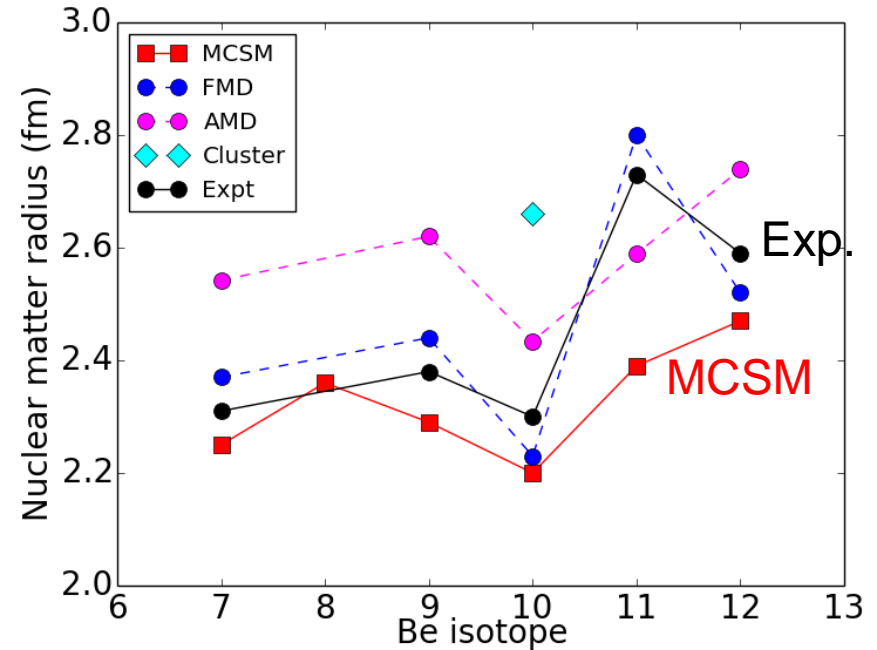
MCSM: JISP16 NN, $N_{\text{shell}} = 6$, $hw = 15$ MeV

Radii of Be isotopes

Point-proton radius



Matter radius



Rather good agreement w/ overall trend, except for ^{11}Be neutron halo

MCSM < Expt., FMD < AMD, Cluster model

Expt., FMD: F. Ajzenberg-Selove, NPA 506, 1 (1990), A. Krieger et al., PRL 108, 142501 (2012)

AMD : Y. Kanada-En'yo, PRC91, 014315 (2015)

Cluster: M. Ito & K. Ikeda, Rep. Prog. Phys. 77, 096301 (2014)

Density distribution from ab initio calc.

- Green's function Monte Carlo (GFMC)
 - "Intrinsic" density is constructed by aligning the moment of inertia among samples
 R. B. Wiringa, S. C. Pieper, J. Carlson, & V. R. Pandharipande, Phys. Rev. C62, 014001 (2000)
- No-core full configuration (NCFC)
 - Translationally-invariant density is obtained by deconvoluting the intrinsic & CM w.f.
 C. Cockrell J. P. Vary & P. Maris, Phys. Rev. C86, 034325 (2012)
- Lattice EFT
 - Triangle structure of carbon-12
 E. Epelbaum, H. Krebs, T. A. Lahde, D. Lee, & U.-G. Meissner, Phys. Rev. Lett. 109, 252501 (2012), ...
- FMD
 H. Feldmeier, Nucl. Phys. A515, 147 (1990), ...

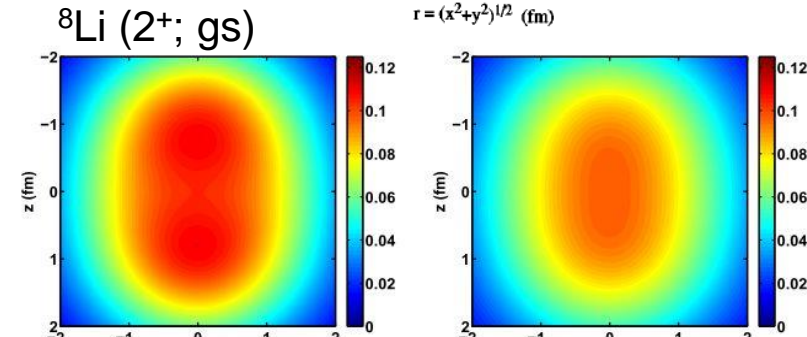
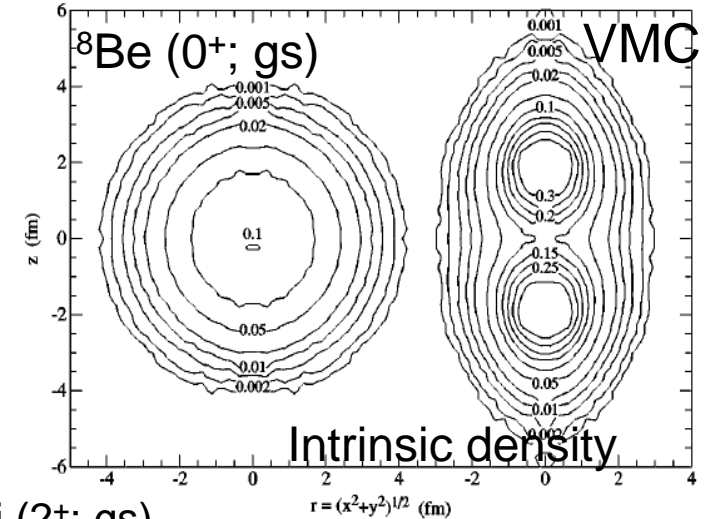
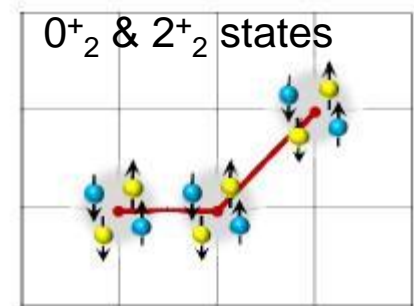
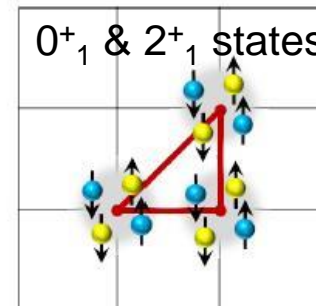


FIG. 12: (Color online) The $y = 0$ slice of the translationally-invariant neutron density (left) of the 2^+ gs of ^8Li . The space-fixed neutron density is shown on the right. These densities were calculated using the GFMC method.



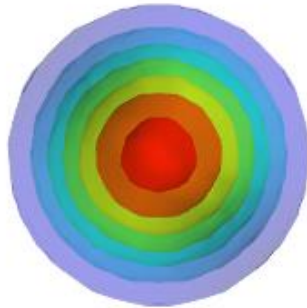
Density distribution in MCSM

$$|\Phi\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{basis}} c_i |\Phi_i\rangle = c_1 \text{img} + c_2 \text{img} + c_3 \text{img} + c_4 \text{img} + \dots$$

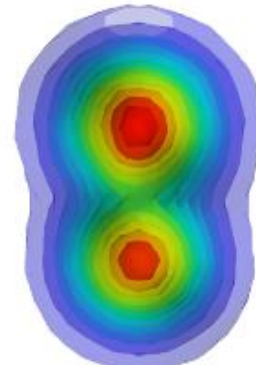
Angular-momentum projection

$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{basis}} c_i P^J P^\pi |\Phi_i\rangle$$

A way to construct
an “intrinsic” density



$^8\text{Be } 0^+$ ground state



Laboratory frame

“Intrinsic” (body-fixed) frame

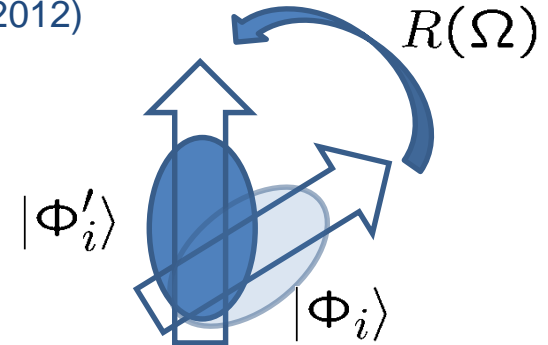
Densities in lab. & body-fixed frames can be constructed by MCSM

How to construct an “intrinsic” density from MCSM w.f.

N. Shimizu, T. Abe, Y. Tsunoda, Y. Utsuno, T. Yoshida, T. Mizusaki, M. Honma, T. Otsuka, Progress in Theoretical and Experimental Physics, 01A205 (2012)

- MCSM wave function

$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{basis}} c_i P^J P^\pi |\Phi_i\rangle$$



- Wave function w/o the projections

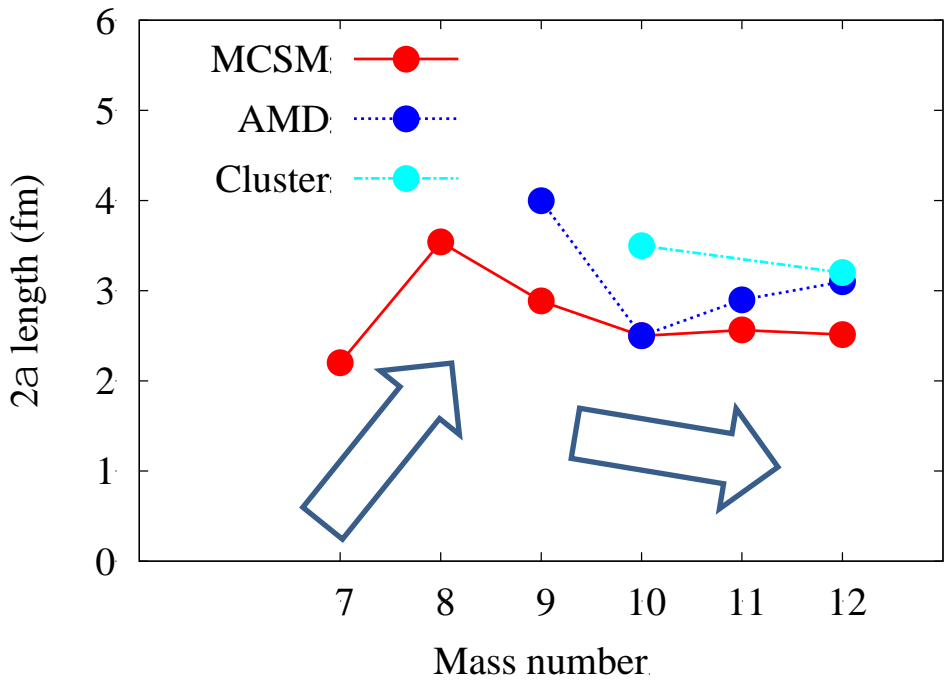
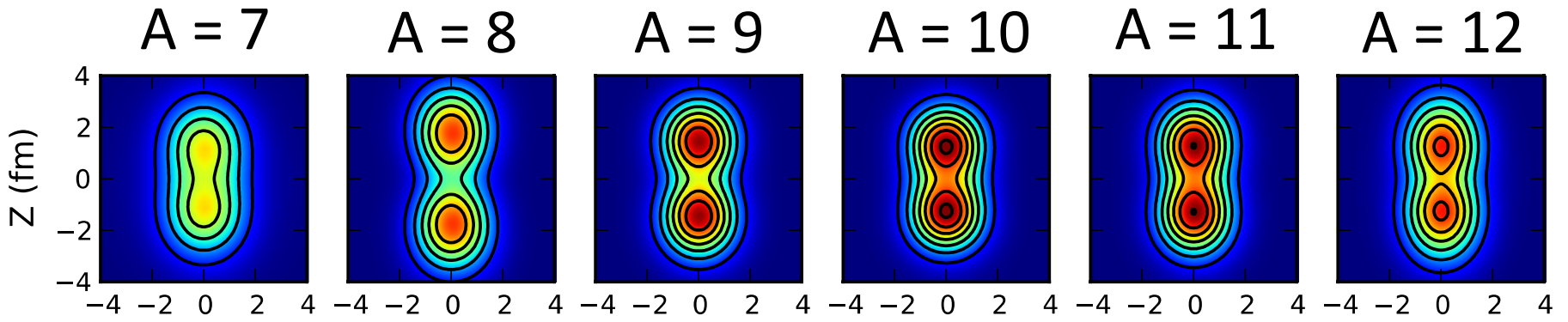
$$\sum_{i=1}^{N_{basis}} c_i |\Phi_i\rangle = c_1 \text{ [diagram]} + c_2 \text{ [diagram]} + \dots + c_{N_{basis}} \text{ [diagram]}$$

Rotation by diagonalizing Q-moment
($Q_{zz} > Q_{yy} > Q_{xx}$)

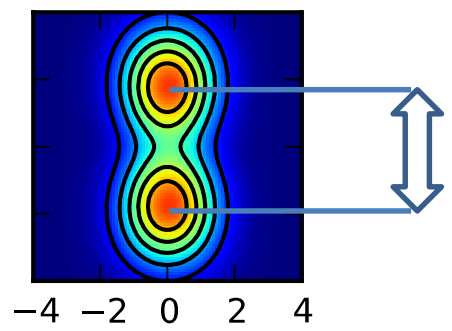
- Wave function w/o the projection w/ the alignment of Q-moment

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N_{basis}} c_i |\Phi'_i\rangle = c_1 \text{ [diagram]} + c_2 \text{ [diagram]} + \dots + c_{N_{basis}} \text{ [diagram]}$$

inter α -cluster distance



Definition:
Distance btw the positions of each highest proton density

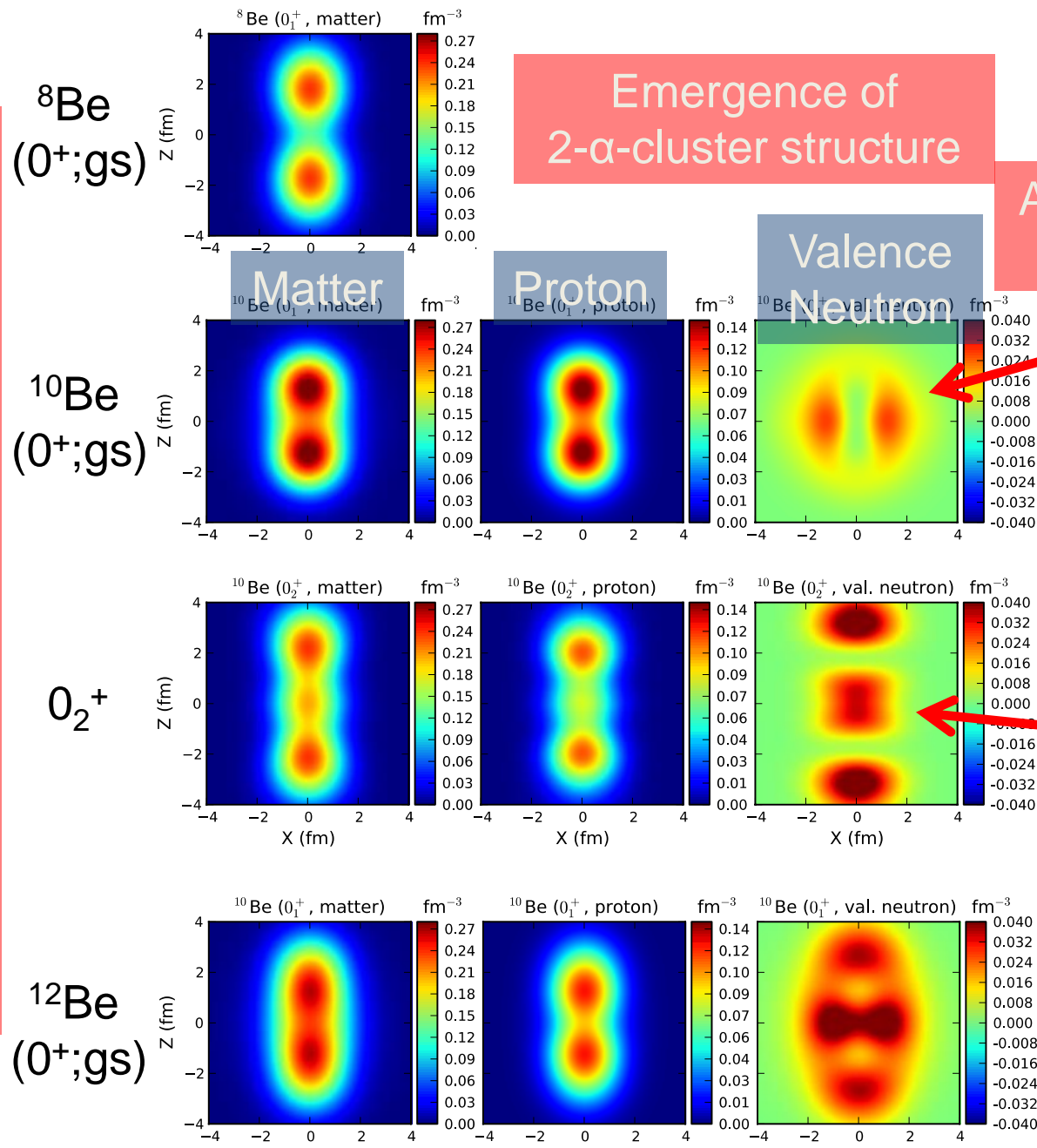


AMD: Y. Kanada-En'yo, Phys. Rev C68, 014319 (2003)

Cluster: M. Ito & K. Ikeda, Rep. Prog. Phys. 77, 096301 (2014)

Density distribution of Be isotopes

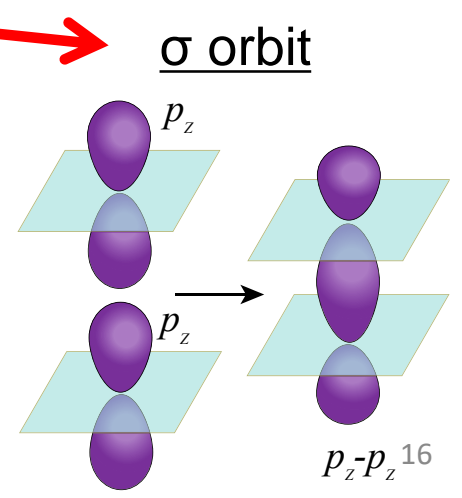
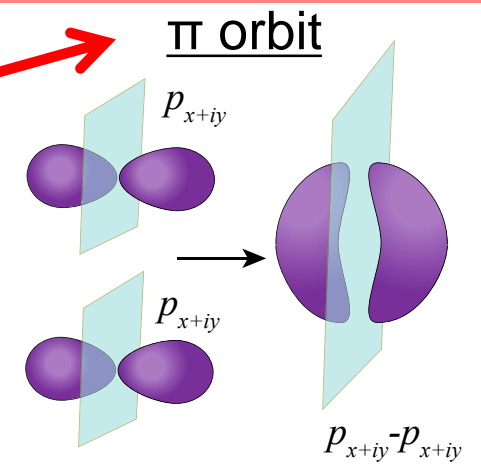
Fading 2- α structure as N increases



Emergence of 2- α -cluster structure

Appearance of molecular-orbital structure

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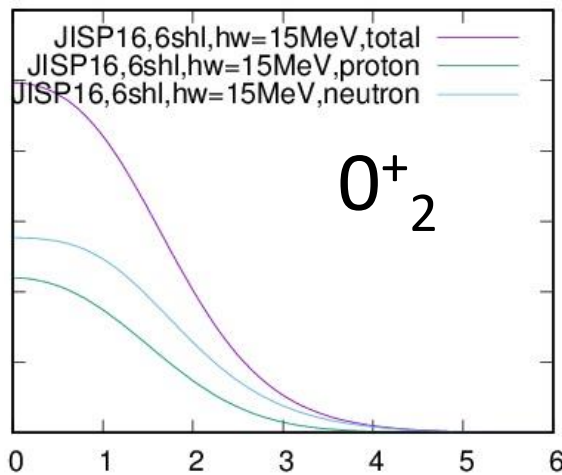
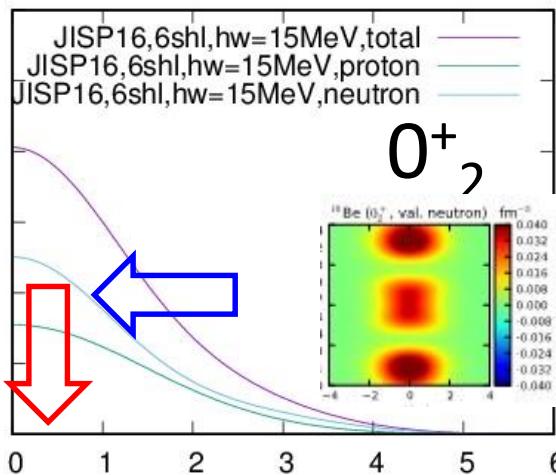
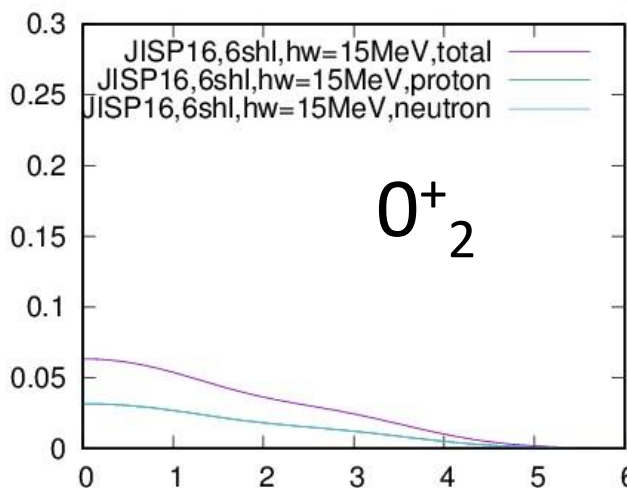
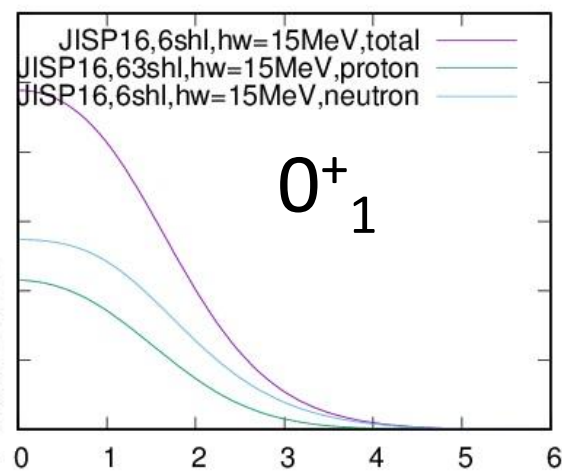
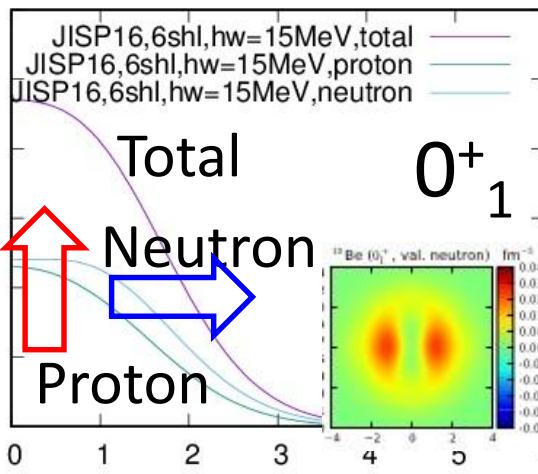
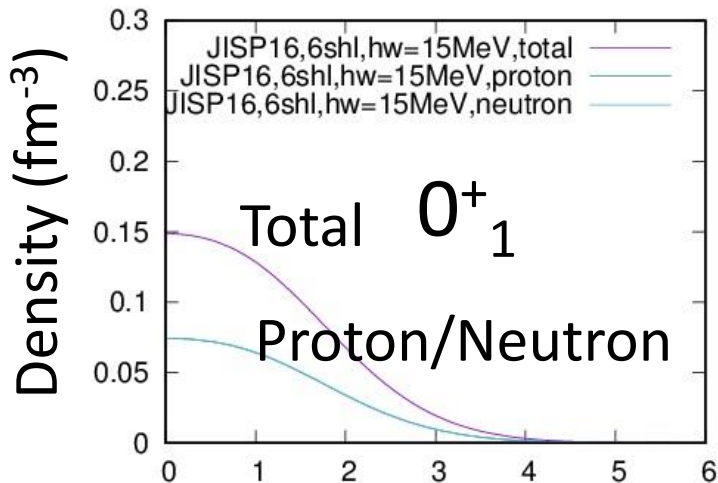


Radial distributions of Be isotopes

^8Be

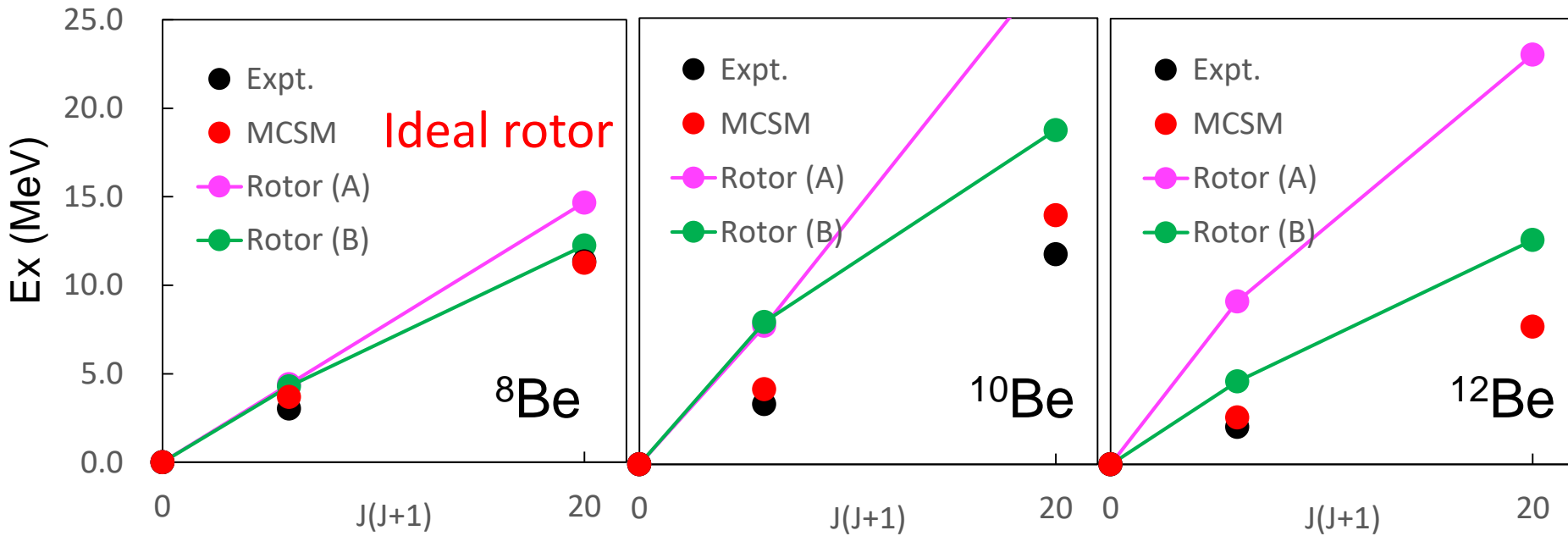
^{10}Be

^{12}Be



Radius (fm)

Rotational bands of Be isotopes



● Projection from MCSM basis vectors for J=0 state

● Projection from MCSM basis vectors for J=0 state with amplitudes re-optimized for each J

MCSM basis vector

$$|\Psi(J, M, \pi)\rangle = \sum_i^{N_{basis}} f_i |\Phi_i(J, M, \pi)\rangle$$

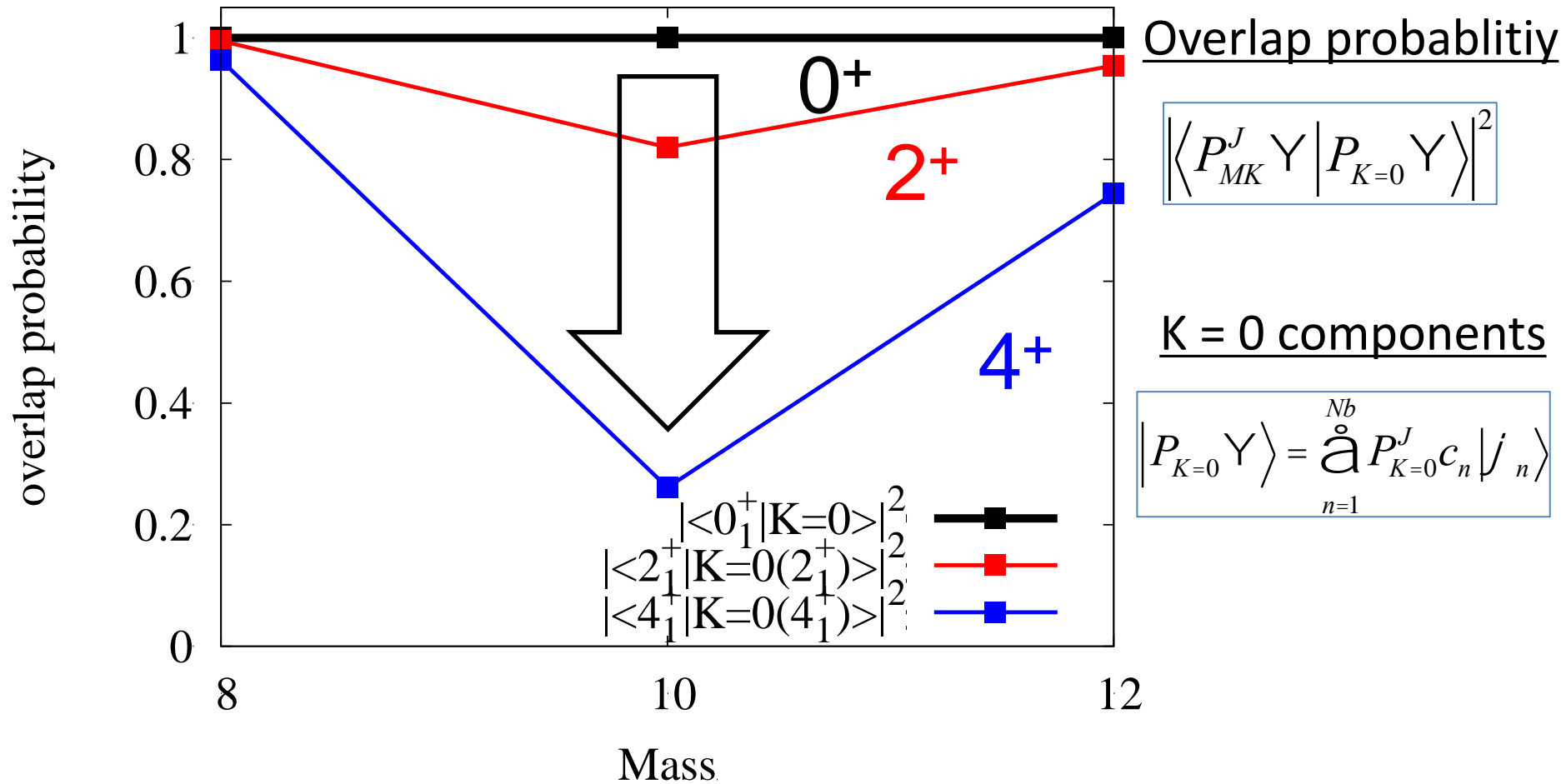
$$|\Phi(J, M, \pi)\rangle = \sum_K g_K P_{MK}^J P^\pi |\phi\rangle$$

K = 0 components

$$|P_{K=0} Y\rangle = \hat{a} \sum_{n=1}^{Nb} P_{K=0}^J c_n |j_n\rangle$$

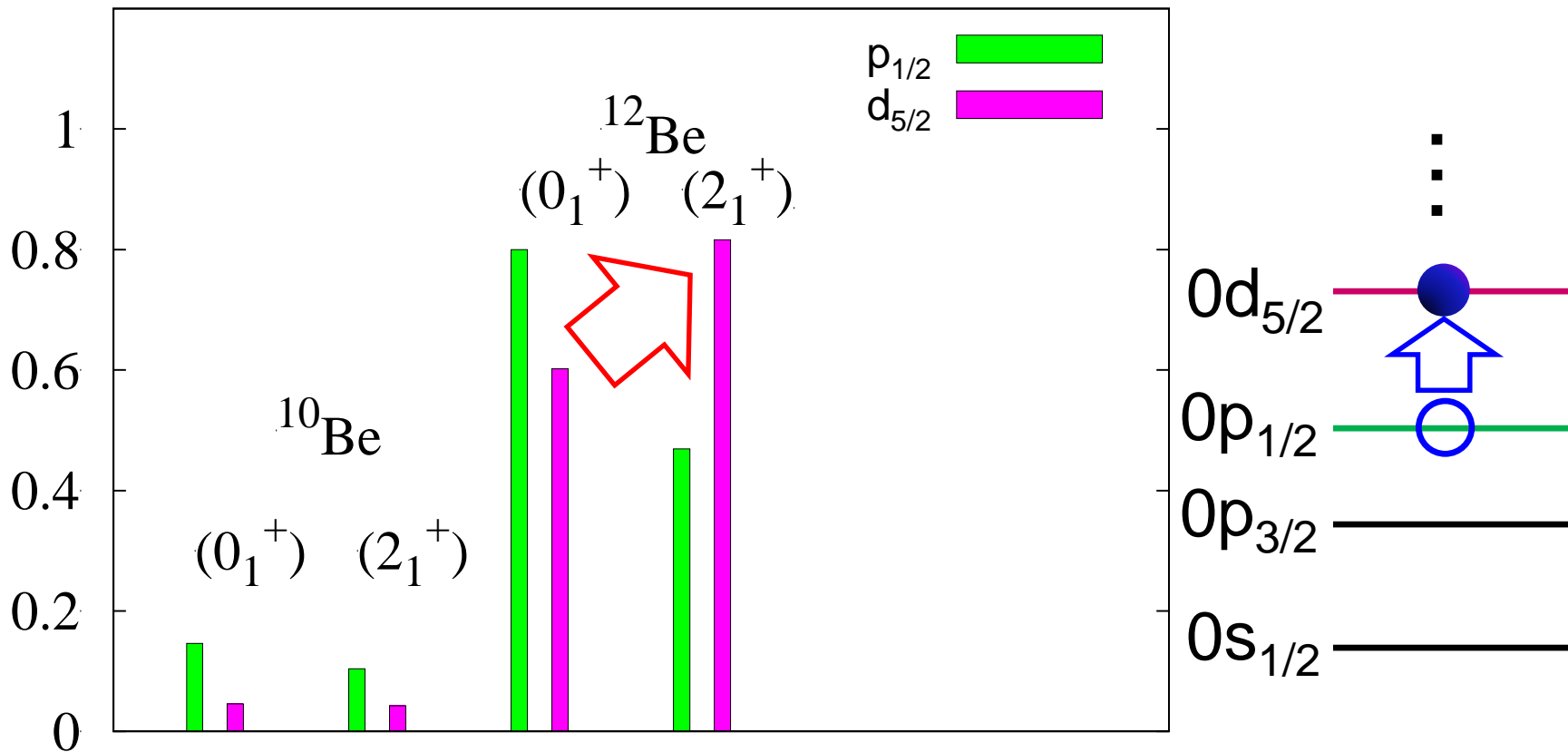
$K \neq 0$ components in basis vectors

Large K-mixing in ^{10}Be



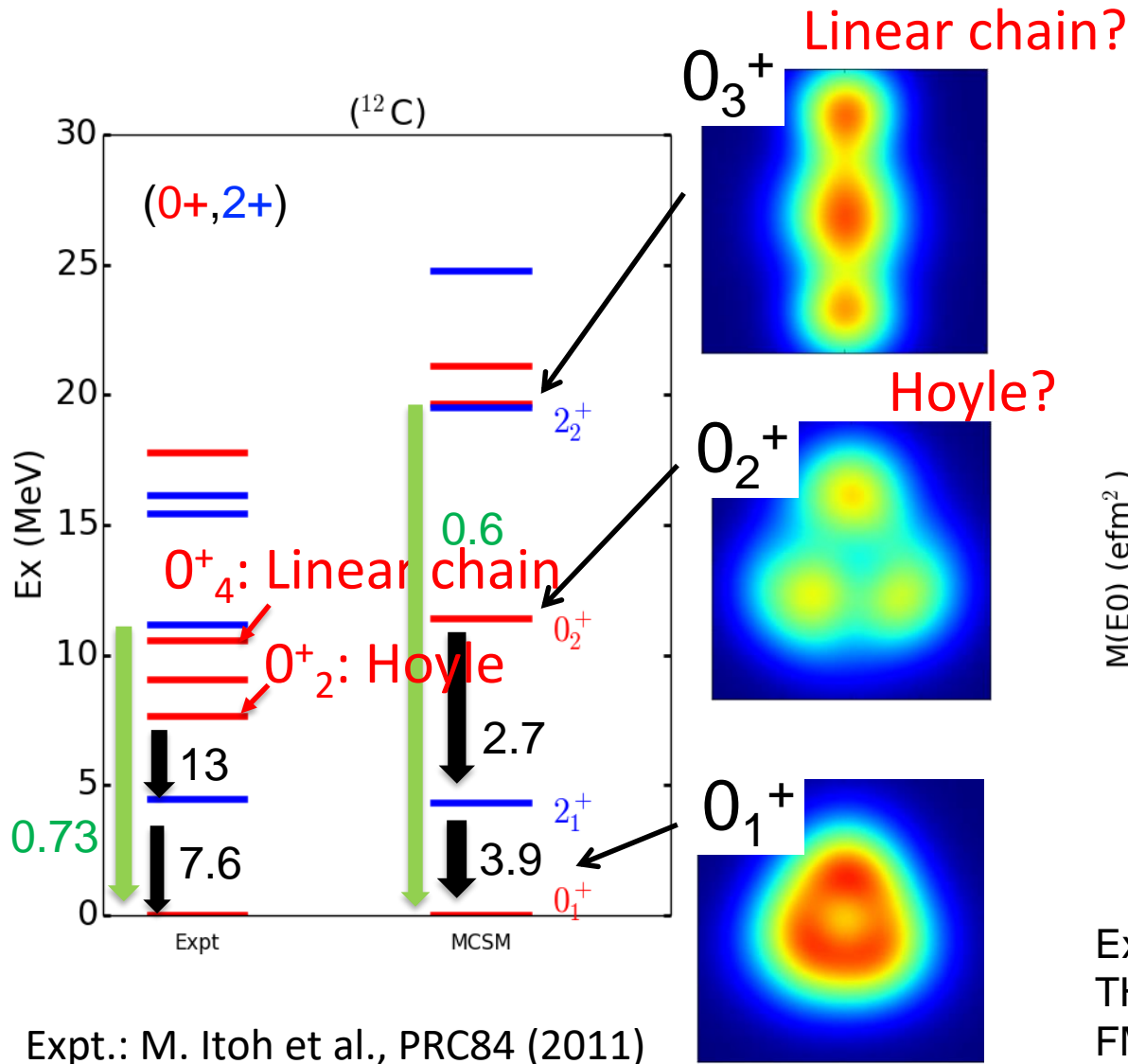
Occupation numbers of valence neutrons

valence neutron $p_{1/2}$ and $d_{5/2}$ occupation number



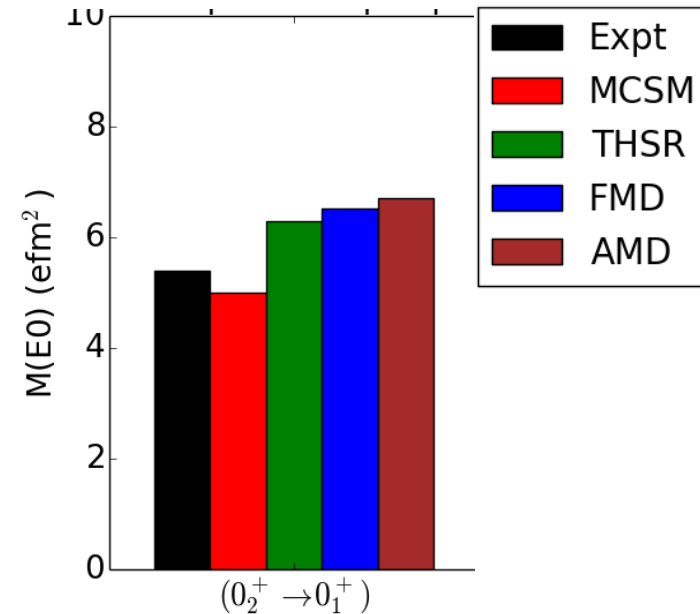
Excitation of valence neutrons from $0p_{1/2}$ to $0d_{5/2}$ orbital in ^{12}Be

Energy level & transition strength of ^{12}C



Expt.: M. Itoh et al., PRC84 (2011)

$$M(E0; 0_2^+ \rightarrow 0_1^+)$$



Expt.: P. Strehl 1970

THSR: Y. Funaki 2015

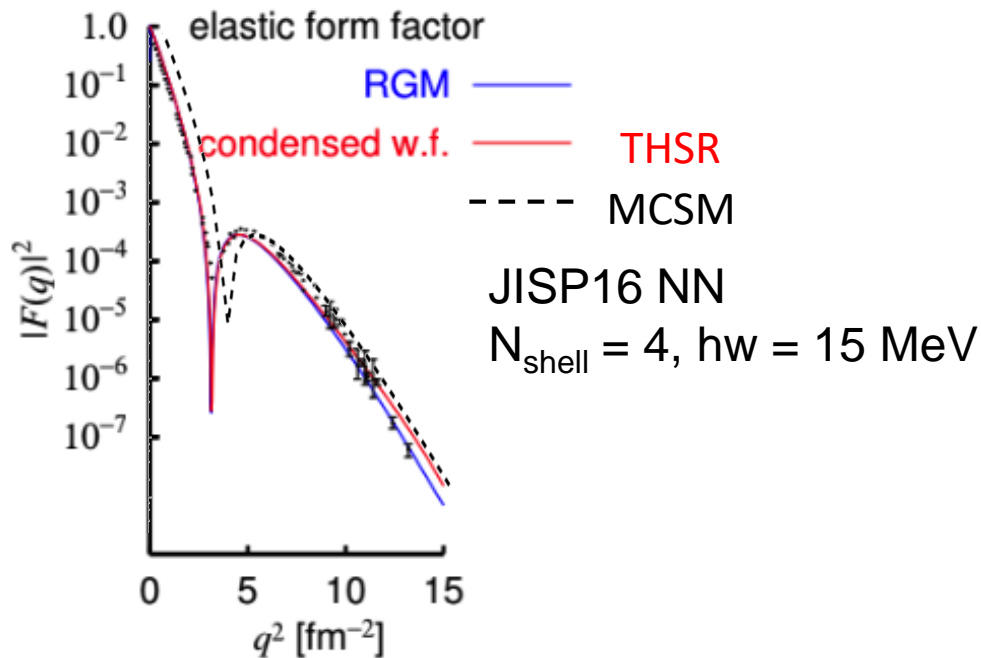
FMD: M. Chernykh 2007

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$E_{\text{gs}} = -76.64$ MeV (MCSM, JISP16, $N_{\text{shell}} = 6$, $hw = 15$ MeV)

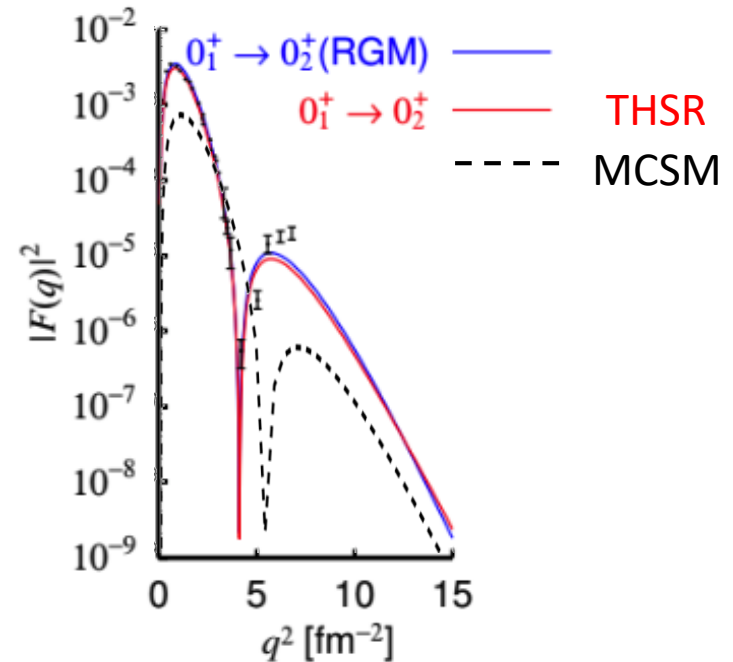
Elastic and inelastic form factors

Elastic form factor ($0^+_{\underline{1}} \rightarrow 0^+_{\underline{1}}$)



(a)

Inelastic form factor ($0^+_{\underline{1}} \rightarrow 0^+_{\underline{2}}$)



(b)

$$|F(q)|^2 = \frac{4\pi}{12^2} \left| \int_0^\infty \rho_{J,0_1}^{(J)}(r) j_J(qr) r^2 dr \right|^2 \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} a_p^2 q^2\right). \quad (1)$$

$$\rho_{J,0_1}^{(J)}(r) = \langle \Psi_{\lambda=k}^{JM} | \sum_{i=1}^{12} \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_i) | \Psi_{\lambda=1}^{J=0} \rangle / Y_{JM}^*(\hat{\mathbf{r}}), \quad (2)$$

Figs, & Eqs. taken from Y. Funaki et al.,
Eur.Phys.J. A28 (2006) 259-263

Preliminary

Summary

- MCSM results for light nuclei ($A \leq 20$) w/ a NN potential can be extrapolated to the infinite basis space to obtain ab initio solution.
 - Daejoen16 NN interaction gives better agreement w. experimental data than those by JISP16.
- Cluster structure of Be & C isotopes can be investigated using MCSM wave functions and we can observe two-alpha cluster of nucleons and molecular-orbital structure of valence neutrons in ^{10}Be .

Future perspective

- Heavier nuclei beyond ^{20}Ne
- Quantitative analysis on cluster structure of Be & C isotopes

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