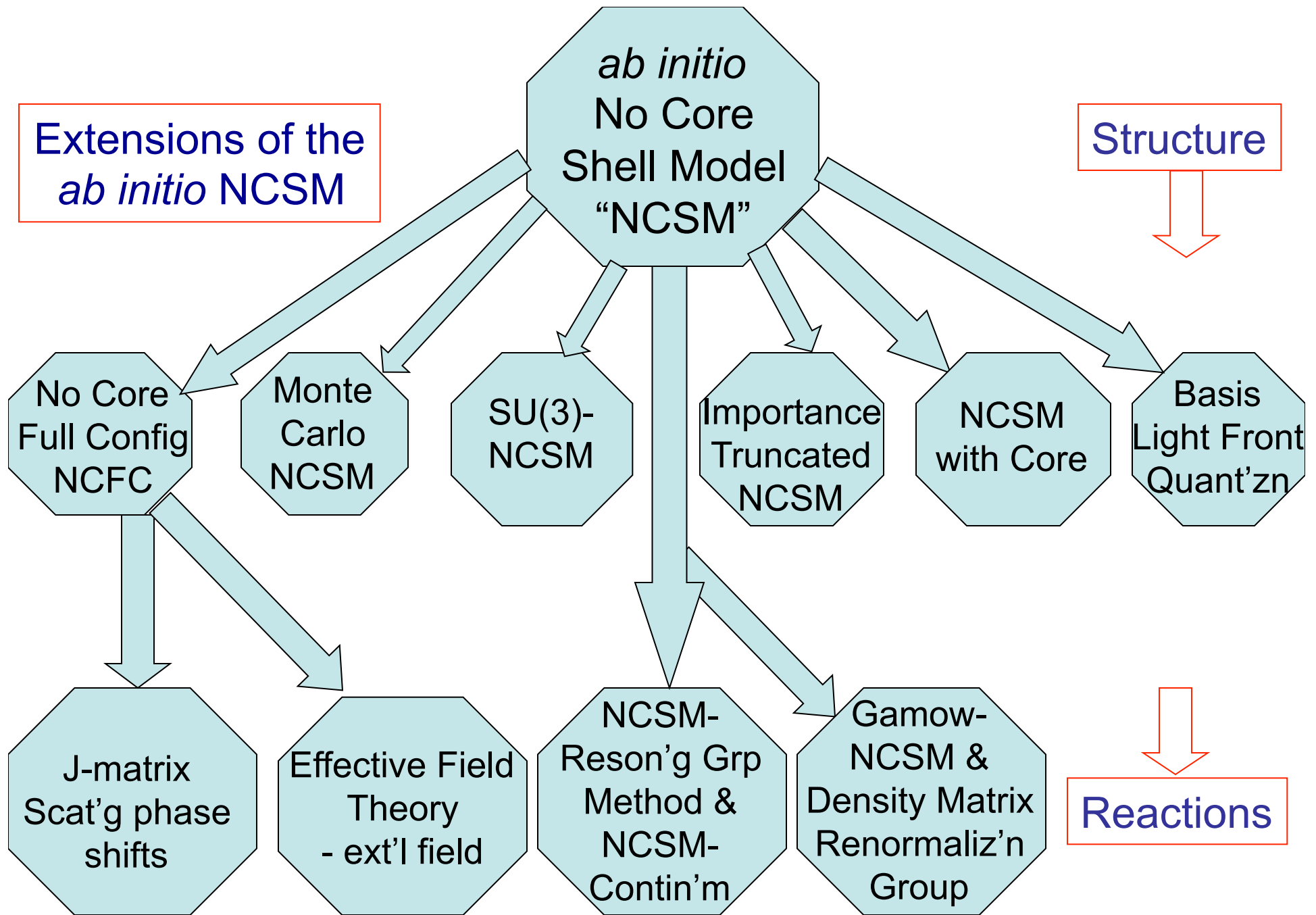


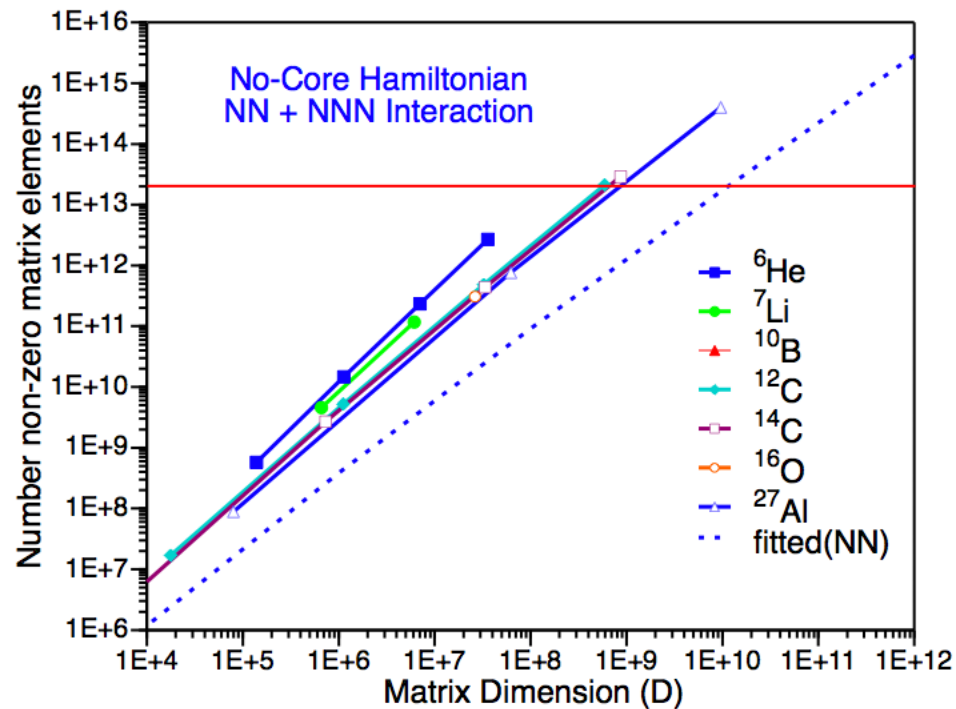
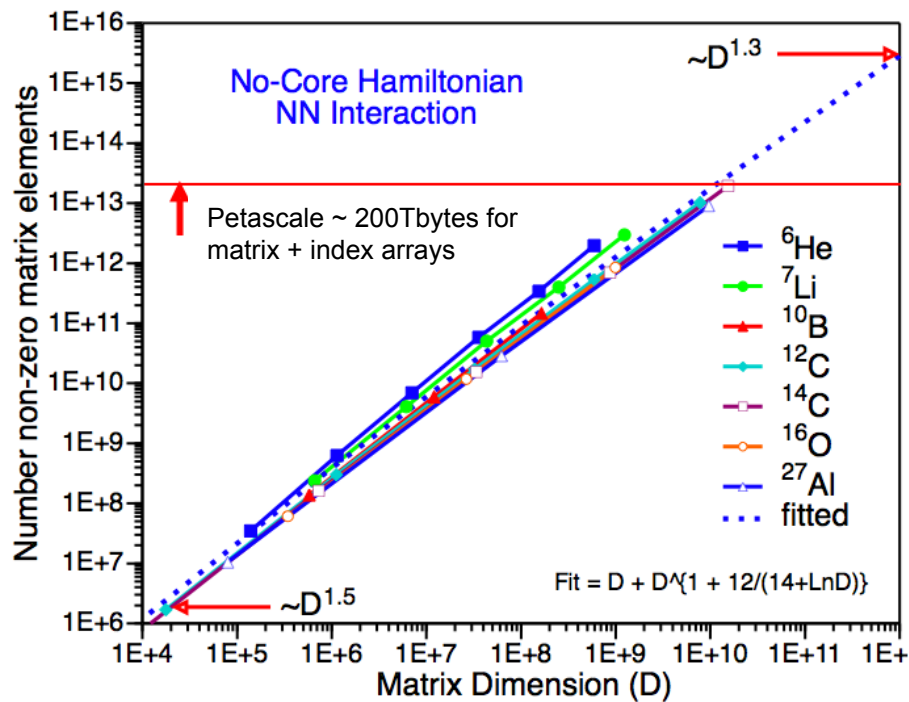
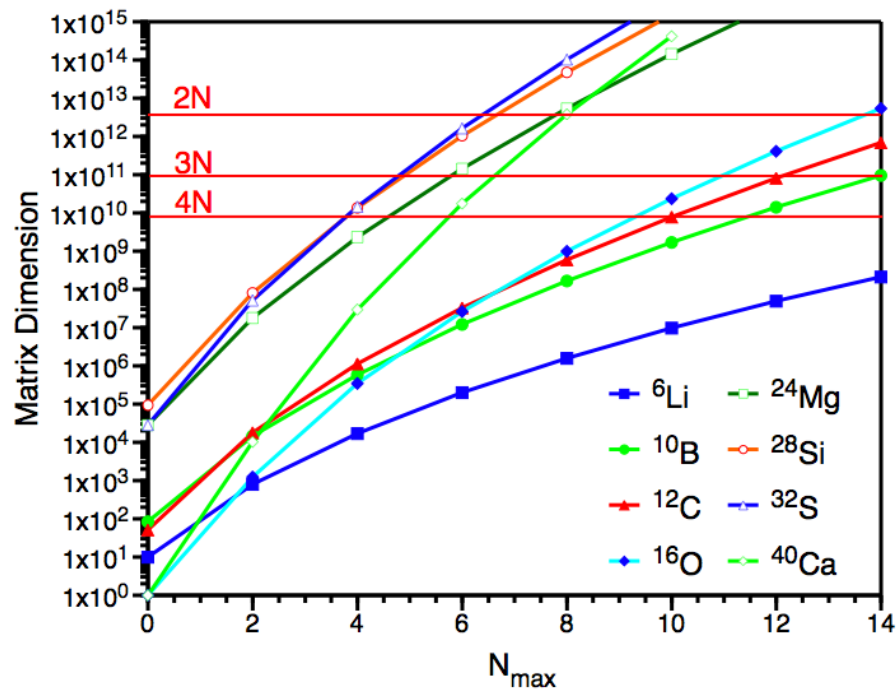
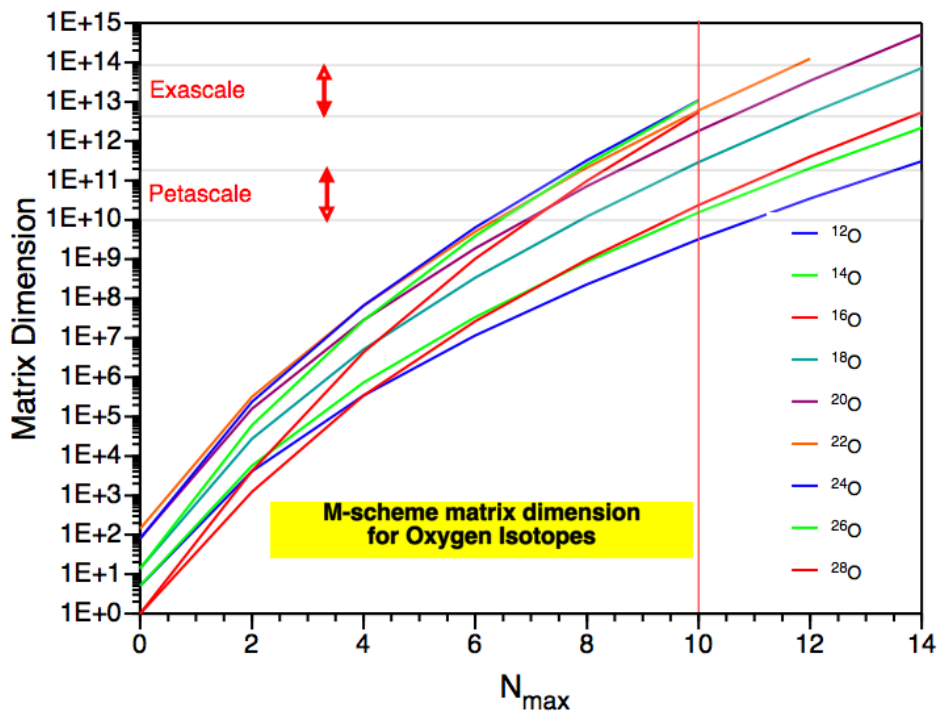
Computational Nuclear Physics Meeting  
James P. Vary, Iowa State University, July 14, 2014

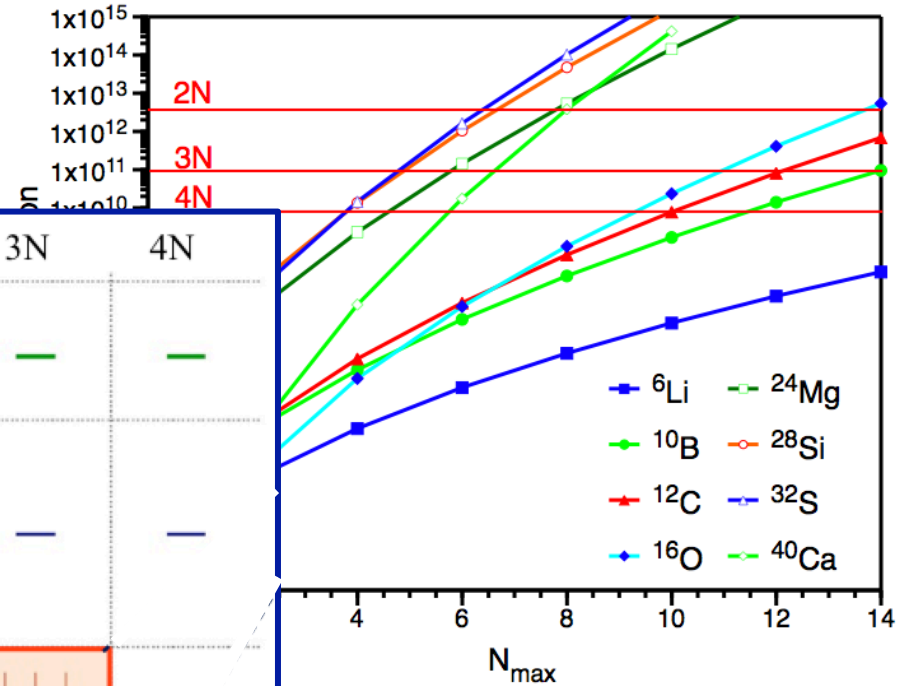
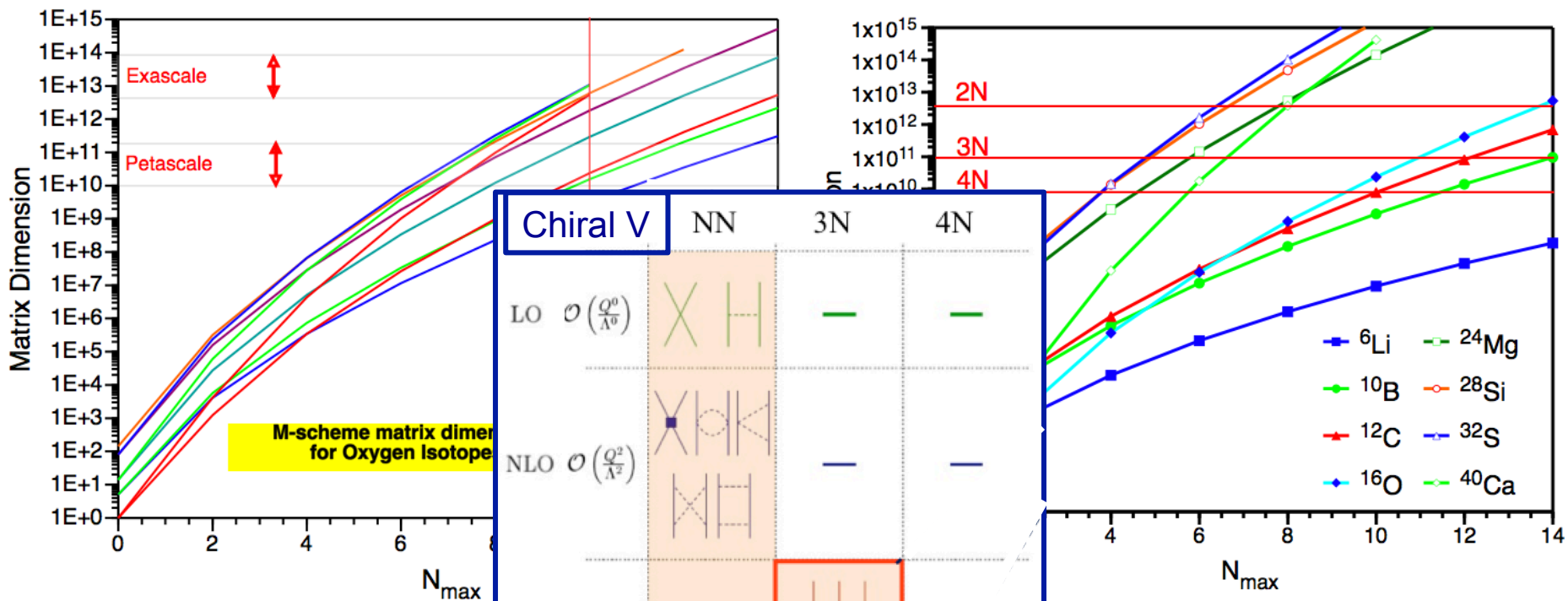
■ **ab initio theory is entering new territory...**

- **QCD frontier** and to the full Standard Model  
nuclear structure connected systematically to QCD via chiral EFT
- **accuracy frontier**  
control uncertainties, improve convergence, inform extrapolations
- **mass frontier**  
ab initio calculations up to heavy nuclei with quantified uncertainties
- **open-shell frontier**  
extend to medium-mass open-shell nuclei and their excitation spectrum
- **continuum & clustering frontier**  
include continuum & clustering effects for threshold states & nuclei
- **reaction frontier**  
describe structure & reaction observables on the same footing

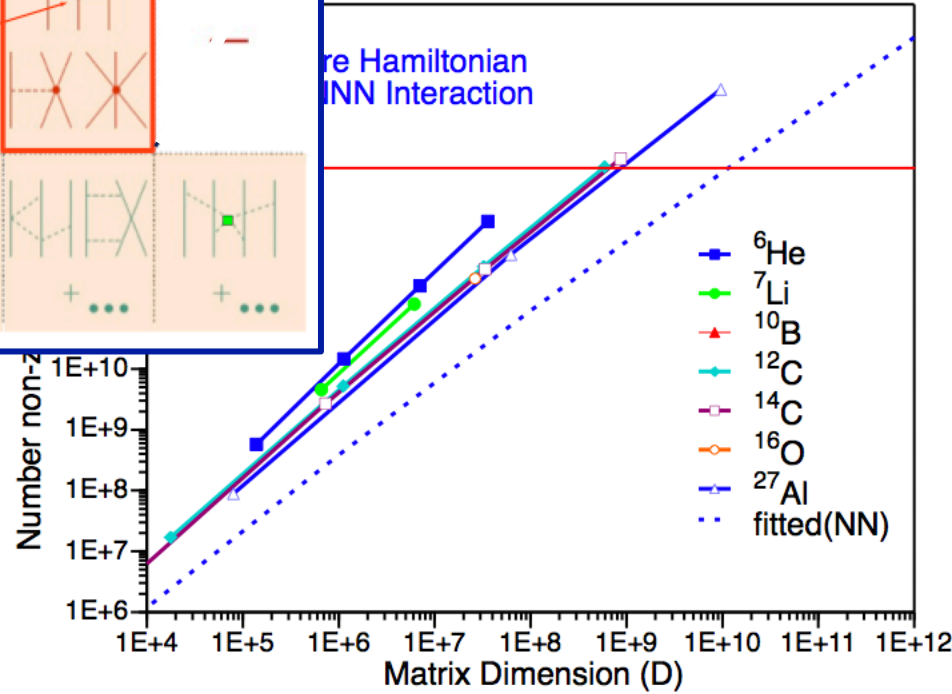
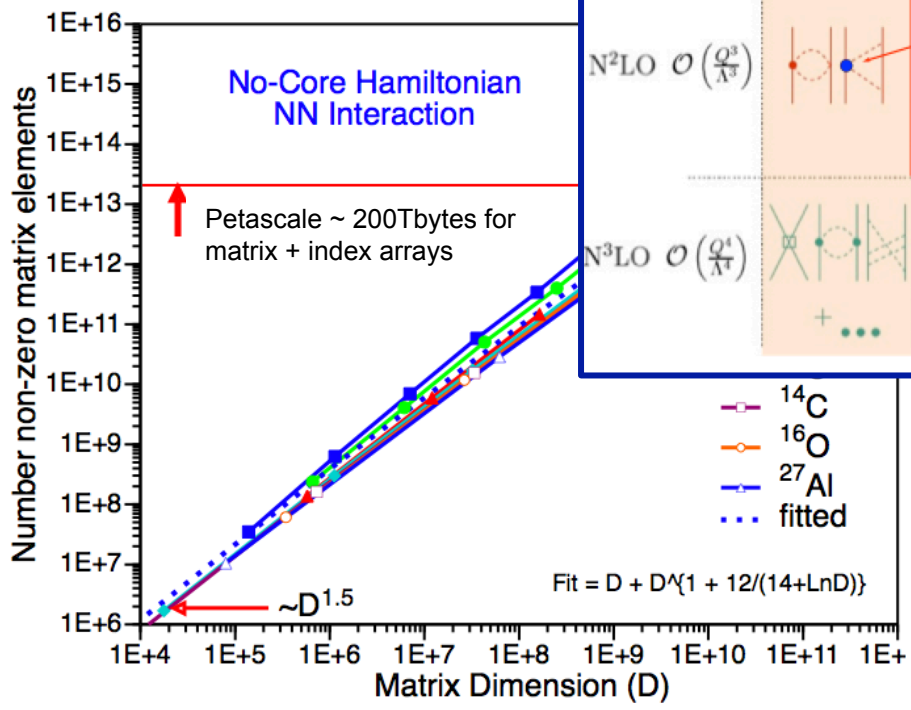
**...providing a coherent theoretical framework for nuclear structure & reactions and linking it to experiment**







Chiral V	NN	3N	4N
LO $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{Q^0}{\Lambda^0}\right)$			
NLO $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2}\right)$			
N <sup>2</sup> LO $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{Q^3}{\Lambda^3}\right)$			
N <sup>3</sup> LO $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{Q^4}{\Lambda^4}\right)$			
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# Low-energy nuclear physics & HPC



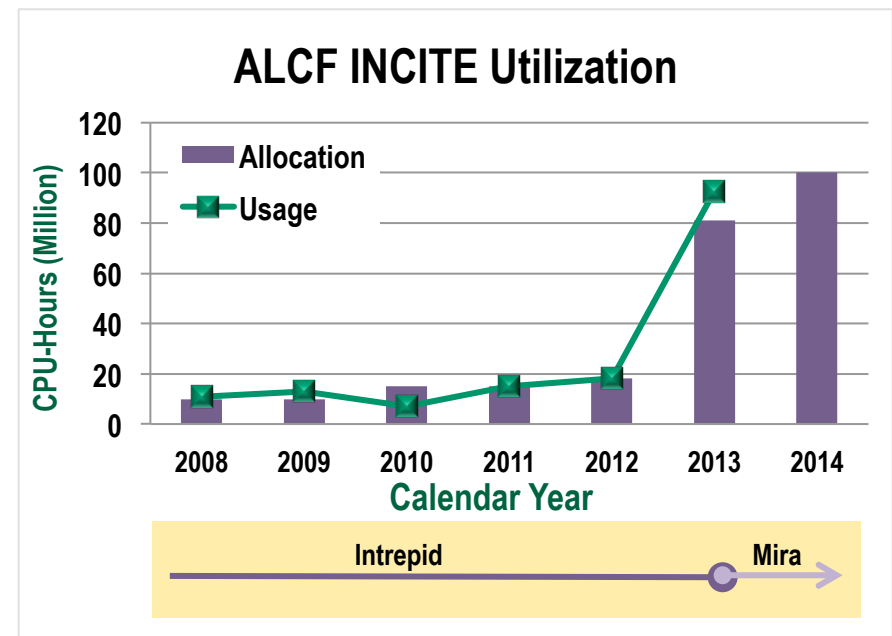
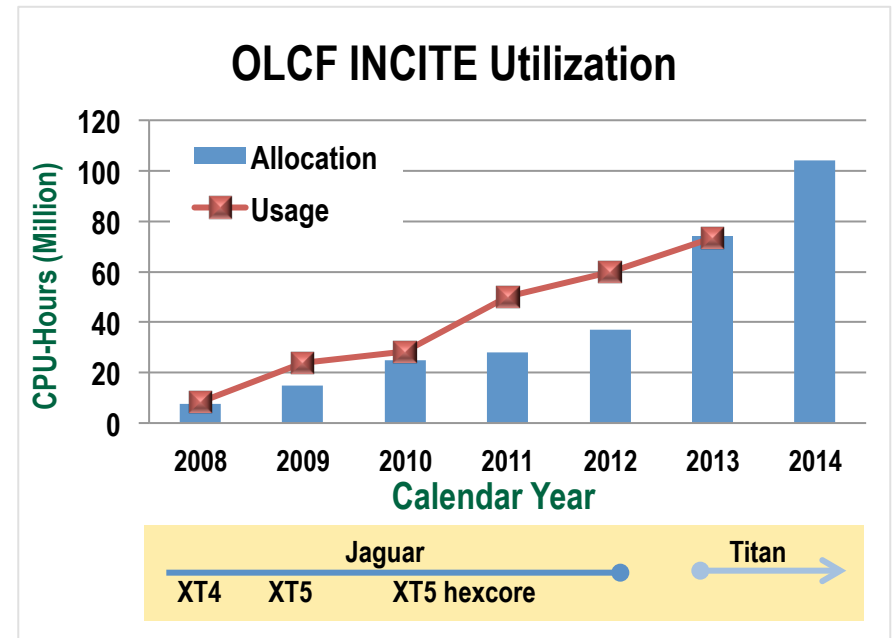
## • INCITE Awards

- **(2008 – 2010) PI: D. J. Dean (ORNL)**  
H. Nam (ORNL), W. Nazarewicz (UTK/ORNL), S. Pieper (ANL), J. P. Vary (ISU)
- **(2011 – 2013) PI: J. P. Vary (ISU)**  
P. Maris (ISU), J. Carlson (LANL), H. Nam (ORNL), P. Navratil (TRIUMF), W. Nazarewicz (UTK/ORNL), S. Pieper (ANL), N. Schunck (LLNL)
- **(2014 – 2016) PI: J. P. Vary (ISU)**  
P. Maris (ISU), J. Carlson (LANL), H. Nam, G. Hagen (ORNL), P. Navratil (TRIUMF), W. Nazarewicz (UTK/ORNL), S. Pieper (ANL), N. Schunck (LLNL)

**Supports ~ 40 users**

## • 2 Early Science Awards

- **2009 – Jaguar XT5, 30 Million hours**  
Origin of the Anomalous Long Lifetime of  $^{14}\text{C}$   
Physical Review Letters 106, 202502 (2011)
- **2012 – Mira, 110 Million hours**  
Ab Initio Reaction Calculations for Carbon-12  
Charge Form Factor and Sum Rules of Electromagnetic Response Functions in  $^{12}\text{C}$   
Physical Review Letters 111, 092501 (2013)





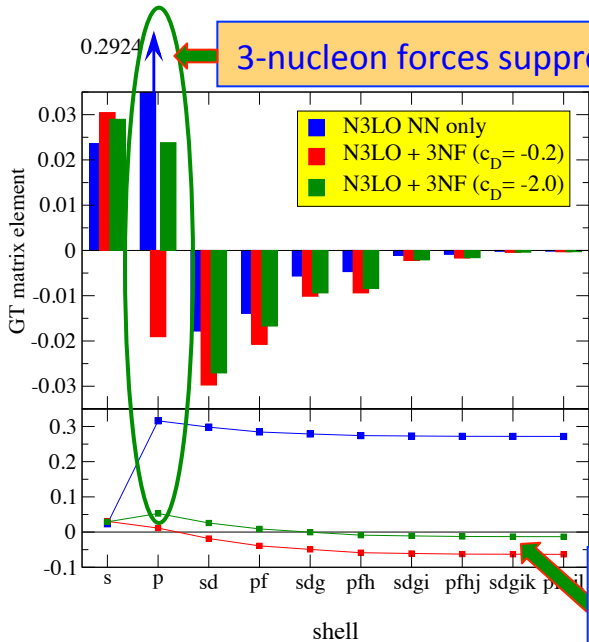
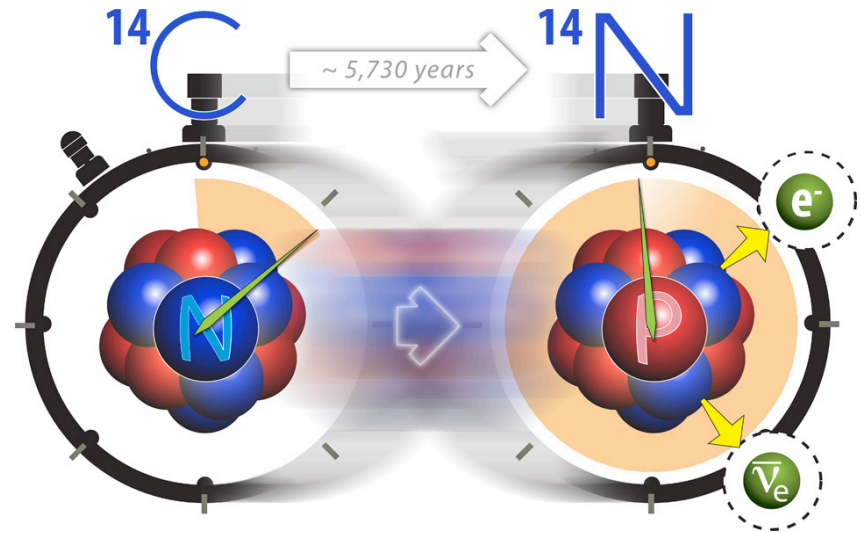
# “Why does Carbon-14 live so long?”

Carbon-14 dating relies on ~5,730 year half-life, but other light nuclei undergo similar beta decay with half-lives less than a day!



UNEDF SciDAC Collaboration  
Universal Nuclear Energy Density Functional

- Members of UNEDF collaboration made microscopic nuclear structure calculations to solve the puzzle
- Used systematic chiral Hamiltonian from low-energy effective field theory of QCD
- **Key feature: consistent 3-nucleon interactions**



3-nucleon forces suppress critical component compared to 2-nucleon forces only

net decay rate is very small

- Solutions of <sup>14</sup>C and <sup>14</sup>N through Hamiltonian diagonalization
- 100-fold reduction in Gamow-Teller transition matrix element

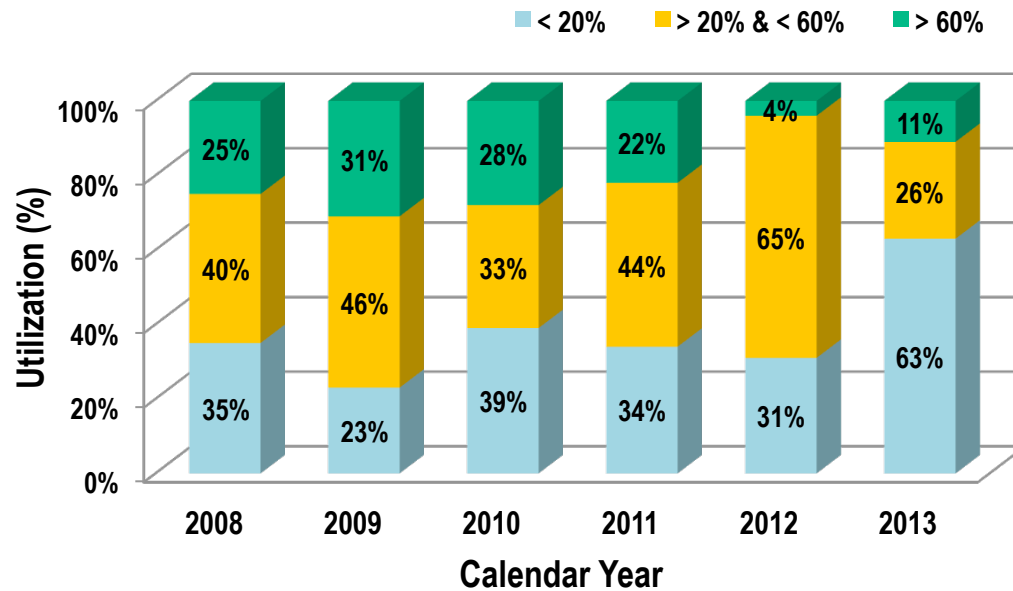
Calculations enabled by high-performance computing through INCITE program

- Dimension of matrix solved for 8 lowest states: ~ 1x10<sup>9</sup>
- Solution takes ~ 6 hours on 215,000 cores on Cray XT5 Jaguar at ORNL



Science ref.: Physical Review Letters **106**, 202502 (2011)  
Computational ref.: Procedia Computer Science **1**, 97 (2010)

# NP Utilization @ Leadership Class



- Titan

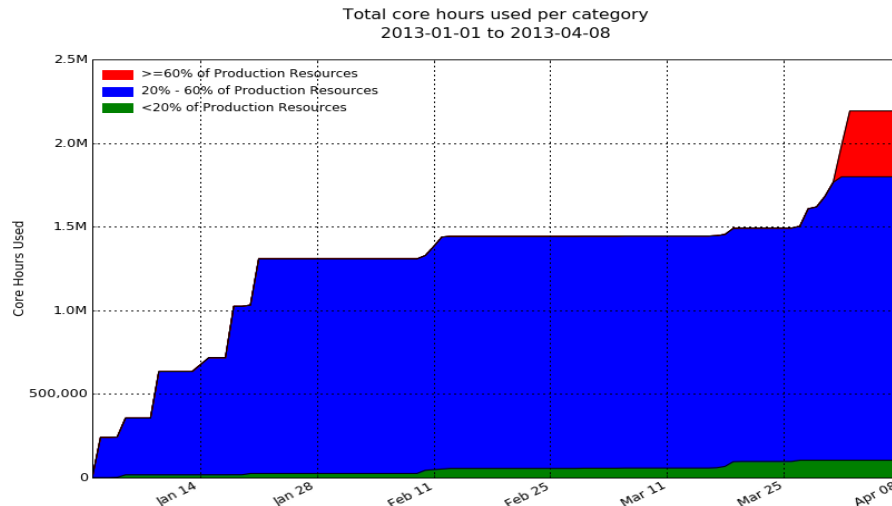
(18,688 nodes = 299,008 CPU-cores + 261,632 GPU-cores)

— 20% = 3738 nodes = 59,808 CPU-cores

- Mira

(48k nodes = 786k cores)

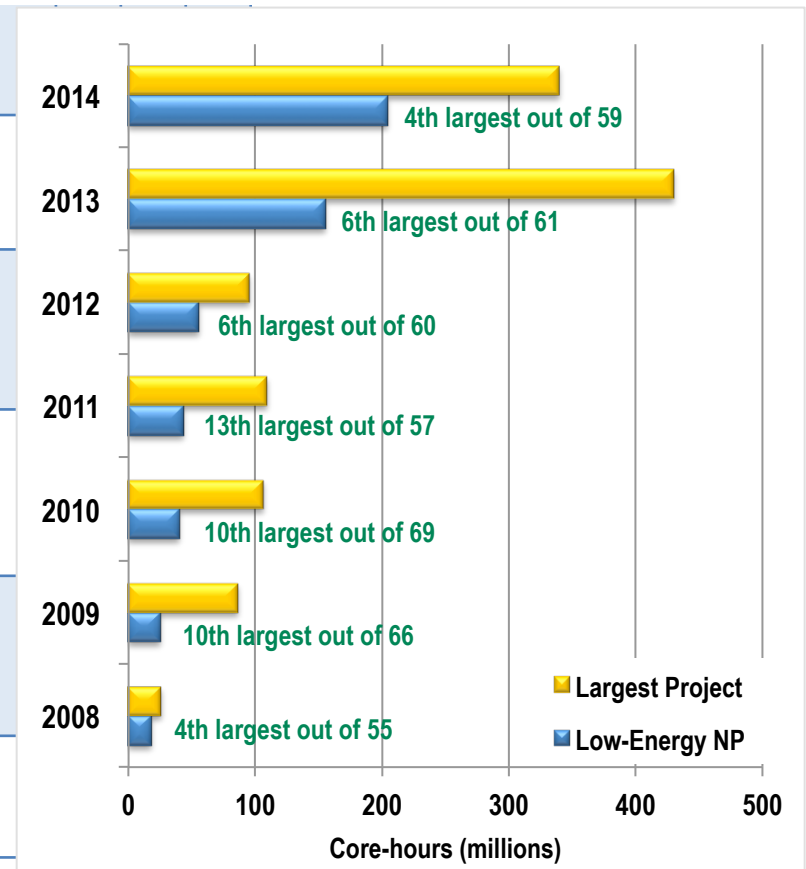
— 20% = 9600 nodes = 153,600 cores



# Low Energy NP Application Areas

Application	Production Run Sizes	Resource	Dense Linear Alg.	Sparse Linear Alg.	Monte Carlo
<b>AGFMC:</b> Argonne Green's Function Monte Carlo	262,144 cores @ 10 hrs	Mira			X
<b>MFDn:</b> Many Fermion Dynamics - nuclear	260K cores @ 4 hrs 500K cores @ 1.33 hrs	Titan Mira		X	
<b>NUCCOR:</b> Nuclear Coupled-Cluster Oak Ridge, m-scheme & spherical	100K cores @ 5 hrs (1 nucleus, multiple parameters)	Titan		X	
<b>DFT Code Suite:</b> Density Functional Theory, mean-field methods	100K cores @ 10 hrs (entire mass table, fission barriers)	Titan	X		
<b>MADNESS:</b> Schroedinger, Lippman-Schwinger and DFT	40,000 cores @ 12 hrs (extreme asymmetric functions)	Titan	X	X	
<b>NCSM_RGM:</b> Resonating Group Method for scattering	98,304 cores @ 8 hrs	Titan	X	X	

- Ab initio Methods (CC, GFMC, NCSM) → pushing the limits to calculate larger nuclei
- Density Functional Theory → reasonable time to solution to calculate the entire mass table





## 2014 Case Studies: ab initio Nuclear Structure

## ab initio Nuclear Reactions

	Used at NERSC in 2013	Needed at NERSC in 2017	Used at NERSC in 2013	Needed at NERSC in 2017
Computational Hours	27 (mostly Edison pre-acceptance usage)	96	~12M (Edison early users)	75M
Typical number of cores* used for production runs	From 5% to full machine	From 5% to full machine	4,800 to 14,400 (3% to 10% of machine)	28,800 to 60,000 (20% to 45% of machine)
Maximum number of cores* that can be used for production runs	Full machine	Full machine	28,800 (20% of machine)	Full machine
Data read and written per run	< 1 TB	< 1 TB	<1TB	< 1TB
Maximum I/O bandwidth	Not known	Not known	Not known	Not known
Percent of runtime for I/O	< 5%	< 5%	<5%	<5%
Scratch File System space	1 TB	3 TB	1 TB	4 TB
Shared filesystem space	2 TB	8 TB	2 TB	8 TB
Archival data	5 TB	50 TB	Not used	30 TB
Memory per node	All available GB	Maximum possible GB	All available memory	All available memory
Aggregate memory	Full machine	Full machine	<38 TB	Typical: 160 TB

Adapted from Case Studies presented to NERSC May 2014:

James P. Vary, “ab initio Nuclear Structure”

<http://www.nersc.gov/assets/HPC-Requirements-for-Science/NP2017/VaryNPStructureApril2014.pdf>

Sofia Quaglioni, “ab initio Calculations of Nuclear Reactions and Exotic Nuclei”

<http://www.nersc.gov/assets/HPC-Requirements-for-Science/NP2017/Quaglioni.pdf>

**BACKUP SLIDES**

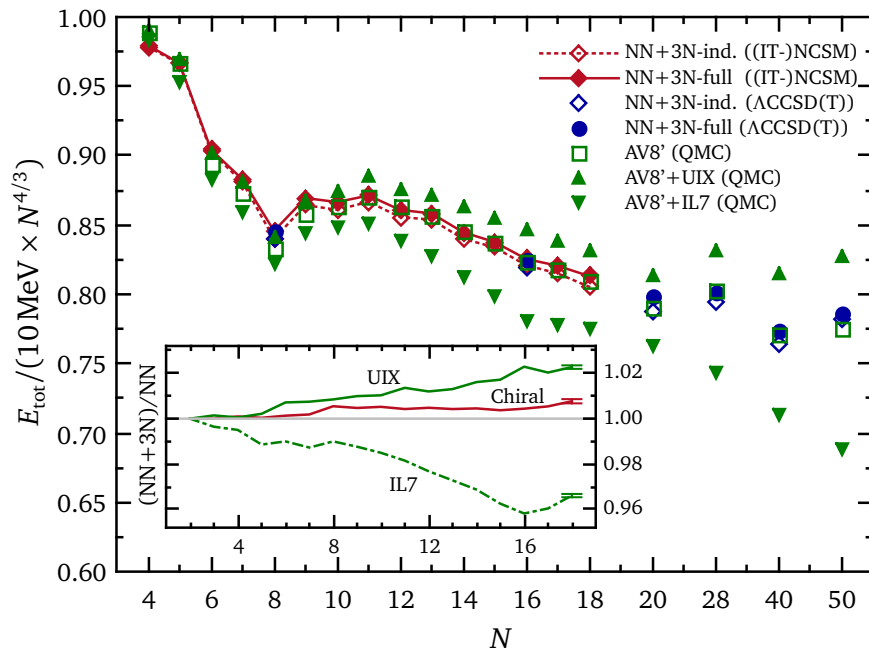
# Ab initio Extreme Neutron Matter

## Objectives

- Predict properties of neutron-rich systems which relate to exotic nuclei and nuclear astrophysics
- Determine how well high-precision phenomenological strong interactions compare with effective field theory based on QCD
- Produce accurate predictions with quantified uncertainties

## Impact

- Improve nuclear energy density functionals used in extensive applications such as fission calculations
- Demonstrate the predictive power of *ab initio* nuclear theory for exotic nuclei with quantified uncertainties
- Guide future experiments at DOE-sponsored rare isotope production facilities



Comparison of ground state energies of systems with  $N$  neutrons trapped in a harmonic oscillator with strength 10 MeV. Solid red diamonds and blue dots signify new results with two-nucleon (NN) plus three-nucleon (3N) interactions derived from chiral effective field theory related to QCD. Inset displays the ratio of NN+3N to NN alone for the different interactions. Note that with increasing  $N$ , the chiral predictions lie between results from different high-precision phenomenological interactions, i.e. between AV8'+UIX and AV8'+IL7.

## Accomplishments

1. Demonstrates predictive power of *ab initio* nuclear structure theory.
2. Provides results for next generation nuclear energy density functionals
3. Leads to improved predictions for astrophysical reactions
4. Demonstrates that the role of three-nucleon (3N) interactions in extreme neutron systems is significantly weaker than predicted from high-precision phenomenological interactions



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**References:** P. Maris, J.P. Vary, S. Gandolfi, J. Carlson, S.C. Pieper, Phys. Rev. C87, 054318 (2013); H. Potter, S. Fischer, P. Maris, J.P. Vary, S. Binder, A. Calci, J. Langhammer and R.Roth, arXiv:1406.1160; **Contact:** ivary@iastate.edu

# Calculation of three-body forces at N<sup>3</sup>LO

Low  
Energy  
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Collaboration



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## Goal

Calculate matrix elements of 3NF in a partial-wave decomposed form which is suitable for different few- and many-body frameworks

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## Challenge

Due to the large number of matrix elements, the calculation is extremely expensive.

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## Strategy

Develop an efficient code which allows to treat arbitrary local 3N interactions.  
(Krebs and Hebeler)

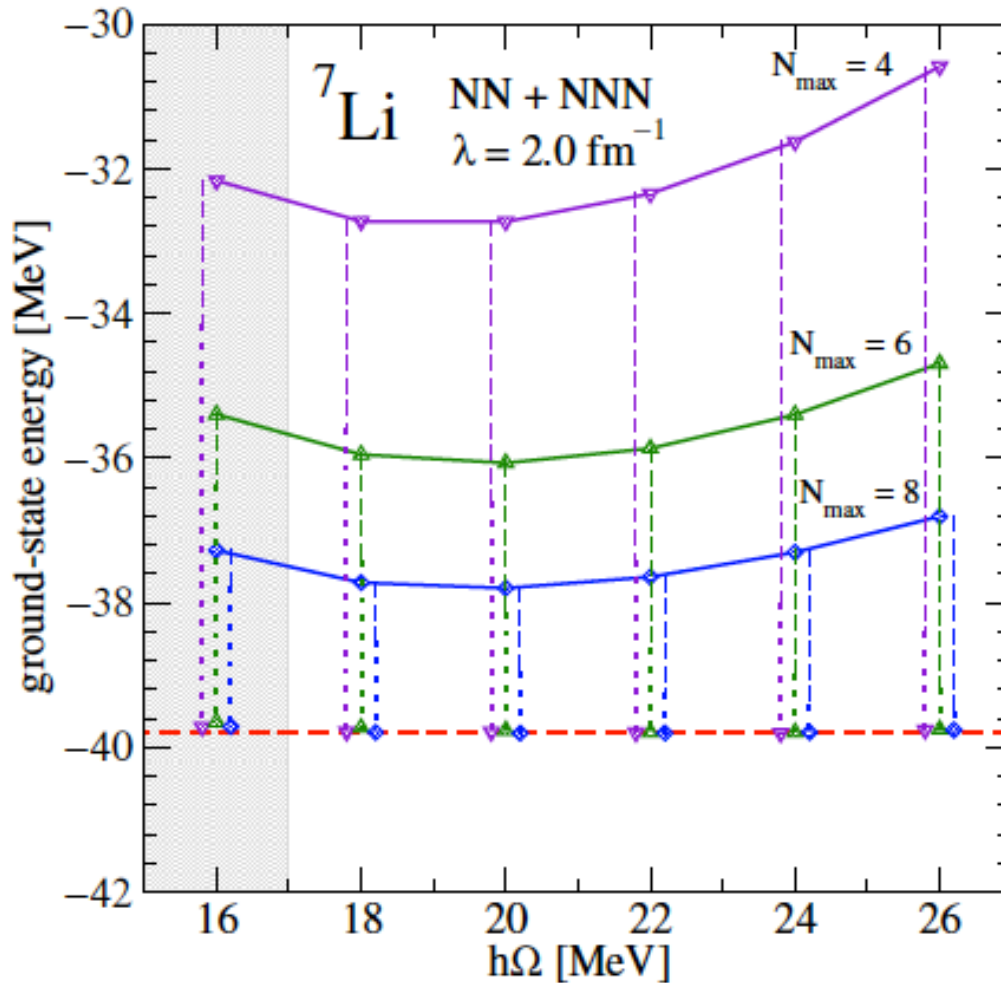


FIG. 17. (color online) Ground-state energy of  ${}^7\text{Li}$  for the NN+NNN evolved Hamiltonians at  $\lambda = 2.0 \text{ fm}^{-1}$ , with IR (vertical dashed) and UV (vertical dotted) corrections from Eq. (5) that add to predicted  $E_\infty$  values (points near the horizontal dashed line, which is the global  $E_\infty$ ).

- ◆ Hardware advances: Moore's Law
- ◆ Theory/Algorithms/Software advances: Doubles Moore's Law



Discovery potential increases geometrically

Many outstanding nuclear physics puzzles  
and discovery opportunities

Clustering phenomena

Origin of the successful nuclear shell model

Nuclear reactions and breakup

Astrophysical r/p processes & drip lines

Predictive theory of fission

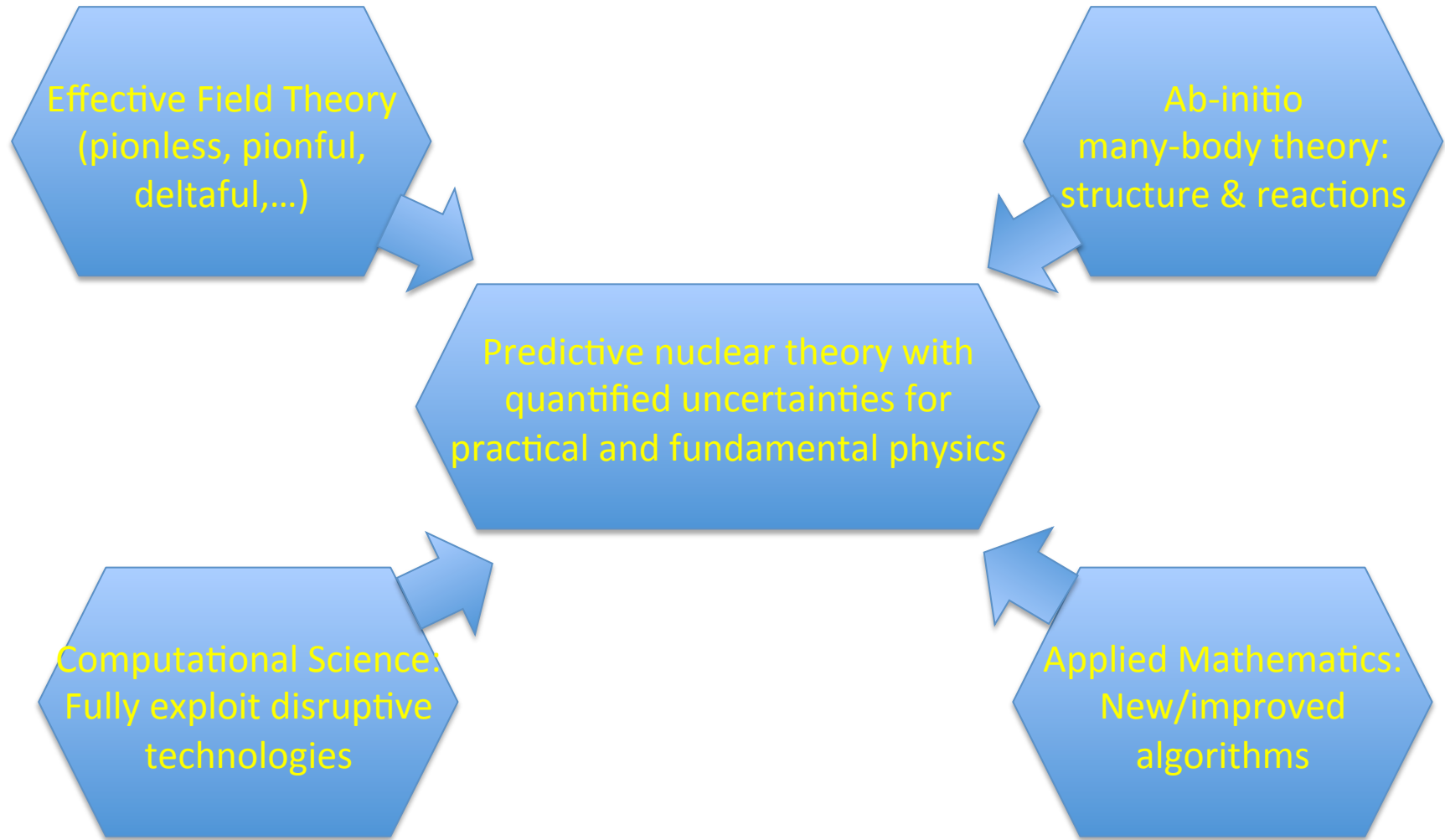
Existence/stability of superheavy nuclei

Physics beyond the Standard Model

Possible lepton number violation

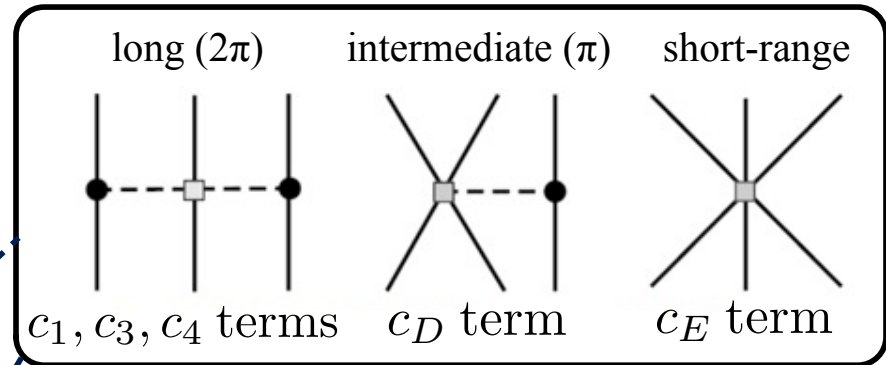
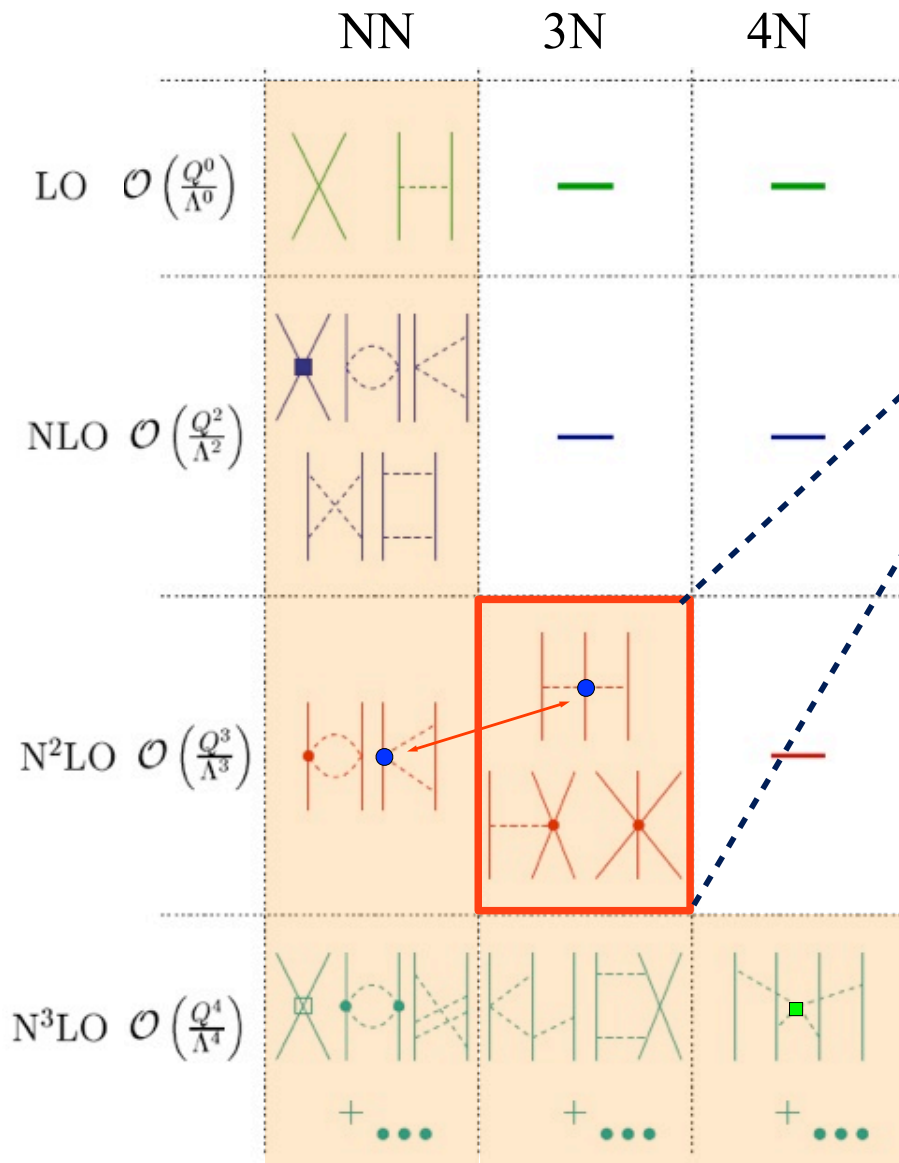
Spin content of the proton

+ Many More!





# Chiral EFT for nuclear forces, leading order 3N forces



large uncertainties in coupling constants at present:

$$c_1 = -0.9^{+0.2}_{-0.5}, \quad c_3 = -4.7^{+1.5}_{-1.0}, \quad c_4 = 3.5^{+0.5}_{-0.2}$$

lead to theoretical uncertainties in many-body observables