

# ***Low-lying spectroscopy of even-even nuclei via multi-reference perturbation theory based on PGCM state***

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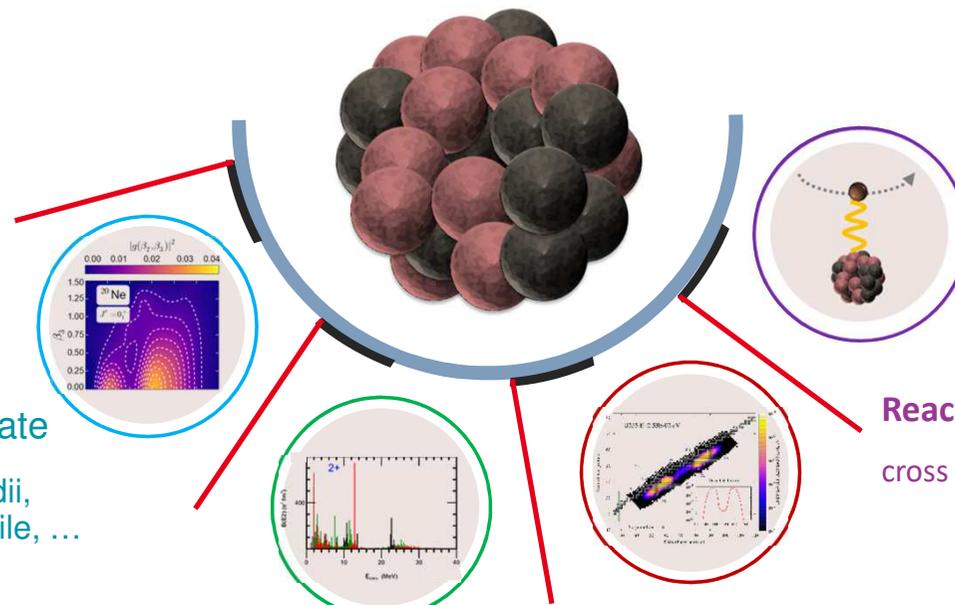
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# Microscopic models of nuclei for nuclear data

Presentation focused on particular *Ab Initio* method for both short and long range correlations  
Objective : **solve A-body Schrödinger equation** to given accuracy  
*Projected Generator Coordinate Method Perturbation Theory*  
Focus on **formalism** and **first implementation**

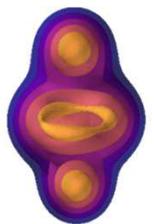
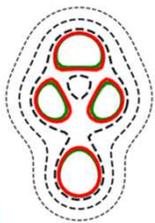
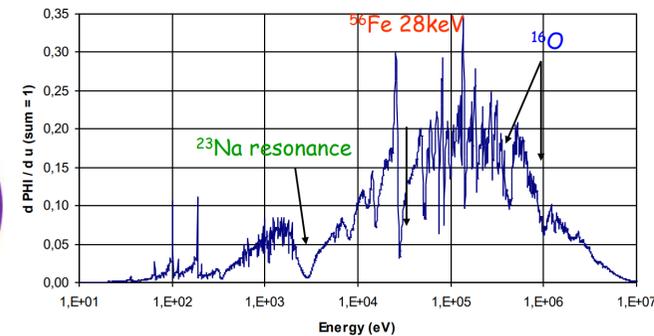


**Ground-state**  
masses, radii,  
density profile, ...

**Excitation spectra**  
energies, transition probabilities,  
response function to electroweak  
probes, ...

**Decay modes**  
lifetime, yields, ...

**Reactions**  
cross sections, ...

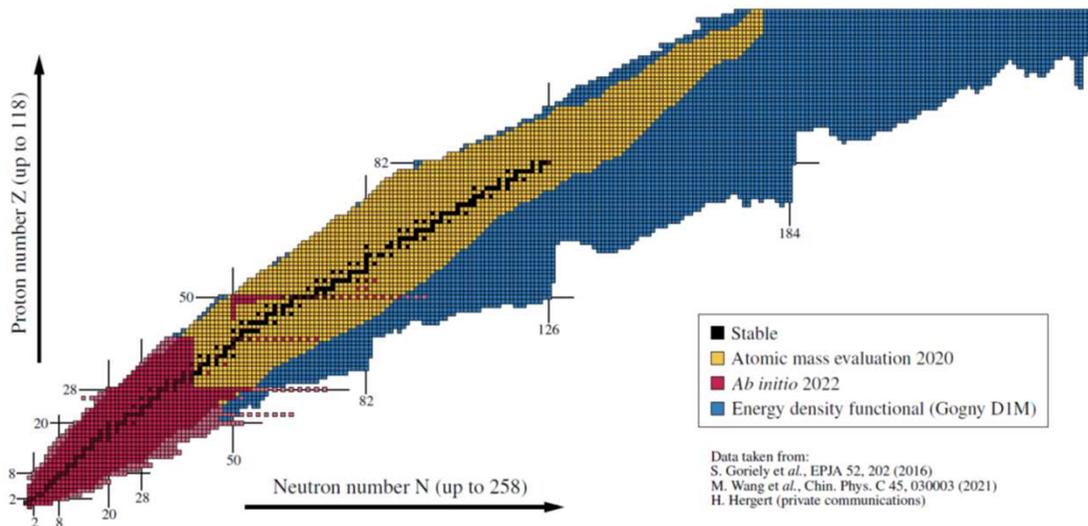




# Progress of *ab initio* / in medias res methods

## *Ab initio* methods

- 1) A structure-less nucleons as degrees of freedom
- 2) Interaction mediated by pions and contact terms (e.g. Weinberg PC)
- 3) **Solve A-body Schrödinger equation to relevant accuracy\***  
*\* controlled and improvable way*



Courtesy of B. Bally

## Steady progress in the last decades

Light nuclei		
Quasi-exact methods	1990's	Exponential scaling
Closed shells		
Expansion methods Single-reference	2000's	Polynomial scaling
Singly open-shells		
Symmetry-breaking Multi-reference	2010's	Polynomial scaling
Doubly open-shells		
Valence space Symmetry-breaking Multi-reference	2020-?	Mixed / Polynomial Scaling

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# 1 ■ Formalism



# Single and Multi-Reference expansion methods

$[H, R] = 0$  **Schrödinger equation**

*Nucleon interaction*  
1-,2-,3-... body  $H$   $|\Psi^\sigma\rangle = E^\sigma |\Psi^\sigma\rangle$  *Correlated wave-function*  
 $A!$  parameters

**Partitioning**

*Unperturbed problem*  
« Easy »  $H \equiv H_0 + H_1$  *Residual interaction*  
*Treated approximatively*

$|\Phi^{(0)}\rangle$  reference state eigenstate of  $H_0$   
 $\mathcal{P} \equiv |\Phi^{(0)}\rangle\langle\Phi^{(0)}|$   
 $\mathcal{Q} \equiv 1 - \mathcal{P}$

**Formal RS Perturbation Theory**

$|\Phi^{(1)}\rangle \equiv -\mathcal{Q}(H_0 - E^{(0)})^{-1}\mathcal{Q}H_1|\Phi^{(0)}\rangle$   
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$|\Psi\rangle \equiv \sum_k |\Theta^{(k)}\rangle$

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- Systematic expansion**  
**Open questions**
- Choice of reference state
  - Choice of partitioning

**Optimal strategy ?**

Single reference symmetry conserving PT in closed shells

**Spherical Hartree Fock**  $\mathcal{O}(N^4)$

$|\Theta^{(0)}\rangle = |sHF\rangle$   $E^{(2)} = -\sum_I^{S,D} \frac{|\langle\Phi|H_1|\Phi^I\rangle|^2}{E^I - E^{(0)}} = -\sum \frac{|H_{ab}^{ij}|^2}{E^a + E^b - E^i - E^j}$

**Canonical Partitioning**

$H_0 \equiv E^{(0)}|\Phi^{(0)}\rangle\langle\Phi^{(0)}| + \sum_I^{S,D,\dots} E^I |\Phi^I\rangle\langle\Phi^I|$

*Strictly positive diagonal  $H_0$*

Single reference symmetry breaking PT in open shells

**Degenerate unperturbed state**  
**No expansion possible**

# Single and Multi-Reference expansion methods



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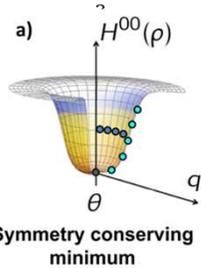
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$$E^{(2)} = -\sum_I \frac{|\langle\Phi|H_1|\Phi^I\rangle|^2}{E^I - E^{(0)}} = -\sum E^c$$

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Strictly positive diagonal  $H_0$



## Single reference symmetry breaking PT in open shells

### Symmetry breaking HF Bogoliubov $O(N^4)$

$$|\Theta^{(0)}\rangle = |dHFB\rangle$$

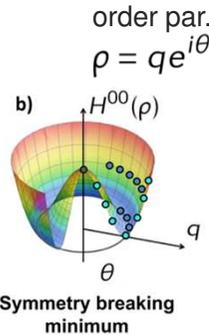
### Canonical SB Partitioning

$$[H_0, R] \neq 0, \quad [H_1, R] \neq 0$$

### SB expansion

Quasi-particle denominators  
Contamination to all orders

- **Restoration of symmetries?**



## Multi reference symmetry conserving PT in open shells

### Symmetry conserving multi-reference state

$$|\Theta^{(0)}\rangle = \sum_i |\Phi_i\rangle$$

### Non canonical SB Partitioning

$$[H_0, R] = 0, \quad [H_1, R] = 0$$

**Choice Ref State?**  
**Choice of basis?**  
**Non diagonal  $H_0$**

$$\begin{matrix} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{matrix} |\Phi_{h_1 \dots}^{p_1 \dots}(0)\rangle$$

$$\updownarrow$$

$$\begin{matrix} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{matrix} |\Phi(0)\rangle$$

See A. Tichai's presentation



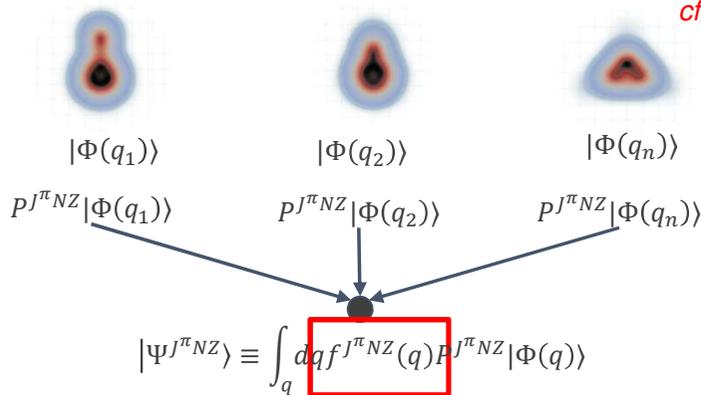
# PGCM + Perturbation Theory

Projected Generator Coordinate Method

Frosini et al. (2022)  
Porro et al. (2024)

cf A. Porro's presentation

Constrained mean-field  
**Symmetry breaking**



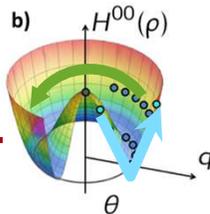
Variational HWG  
Low dimensional

$$\sum_q H_{pq}^\sigma f_\mu^\sigma = \epsilon_\mu^\sigma(q) \sum_q N_{pq}^\sigma f_\mu^\sigma(q)$$

Hamiltonian kernel

Norm kernel

Shape mixing  
**Vibration**



PGCM-PT(2) equation

Analytic inversion not possible in principle

$$|\Phi^{(1)}\rangle = \left[ Q(H_0 - E^{(0)})^{-1} Q H_1 \right] |\Theta^{(0)}\rangle$$

Need for convenient representation of Q space

Projected excited HFB  $|\Omega^I(q)\rangle \equiv Q P^\sigma |\Phi^I(q)\rangle$

$$|\Phi^{(1)}\rangle \equiv \sum_q \sum_I^{S,D,\dots} a^I(q) |\Omega^I(q)\rangle$$

Non orthonormal basis

Approximation: Truncation to singles and doubles

Matrix approximation of  $H_0 - E^{(0)}$

$$\sum_q \sum_J^{SD} \mathbf{M}_{I_p J_q} \mathbf{a}^J(q) = \mathbf{h}_1^I(p)$$

Vector representation of  $H_1 Q |\Theta\rangle$

$$M_{I_p J_q} \equiv \langle \Omega^{I(p)} | H_0 - E^{(0)} | \Omega^{J(q)} \rangle$$

$$h_1^I(p) \equiv \langle \Omega^{I(p)} | H_1 | \Omega^{(0)} \rangle$$

Remarks at this stage

- Strong static / collective correlations** captured by PGCM reference
- Weak / dynamical correlations** captured in perturbation
- Versatile but **expansive symmetry conserving** expansion method
- $\mathcal{O}(N^4)$  PGCM with large prefactor
- $\mathcal{O}(N^8)$  PT denominator matrix construction and inversion
- Applicable to **all systems**
- Multiple **redundant copies** of Hilbert space  $\rightarrow$  need special care
- Following discussion on numerical aspects

State-specific Partitioning

$$\mathcal{P}_\mu^\sigma \equiv \sum_K |\Theta_\mu^{\sigma K}\rangle \langle \Theta_\mu^{\sigma K}|$$

$$Q_\mu^\sigma \equiv 1 - \mathcal{P}_\mu^\sigma$$

Baranger Hamiltonian

$$H_0 \equiv \mathcal{P}_\mu^\sigma \left[ F_{[|\Theta]} \mathcal{P}_\mu^\sigma + Q_\mu^\sigma F_{[|\Theta]} Q_\mu^\sigma \right] \mathcal{P}_\mu^\sigma$$

$$[H_0, R] = 0$$

Basis of Q?

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# 2. Numerical aspects

# Circumventing the problem of three-body interaction

## Ab initio Hamiltonian

$$H = T + V^{NN} + V^{NNN} + \dots$$

Similar to other interactions      Neglected for now

## NO2B Approximation beyond mean-field

Beyond mean-field, calculations almost never include exact three-body

$$:H:_{\rho^{\Phi}} \equiv H^{NO2B}[\rho^{\Phi}] = T \cdot \rho^{\Phi} + \frac{1}{2!} V^{NN} \cdot \rho^{\Phi} \rho^{\Phi} + \frac{1}{3!} V^{NNN} \cdot \rho^{\Phi} \rho^{\Phi} \rho^{\Phi} \\ + T + V^{NN} \cdot \rho^{\Phi} + V^{NNN} \cdot \rho^{\Phi} \cdot \rho^{\Phi} \\ + V^{NN} + V^{NNN} \cdot \rho \\ + V^{NNN}$$

Only convoluted « effective » three body treated beyond MF  
- Source of problems in deformed calculations

## Generalization to arbitrary densities

1. Apply same contractions with arbitrary « well chosen »  $\rho$
2. Discard pure three-body terms
3. Convert back to single particle basis

$$\bar{E}_0 \equiv \frac{1}{3!} V^{NNN} \cdot \rho \cdot \rho \cdot \rho \quad \rho \text{ chosen to be symmetry conserving}$$

Applications:

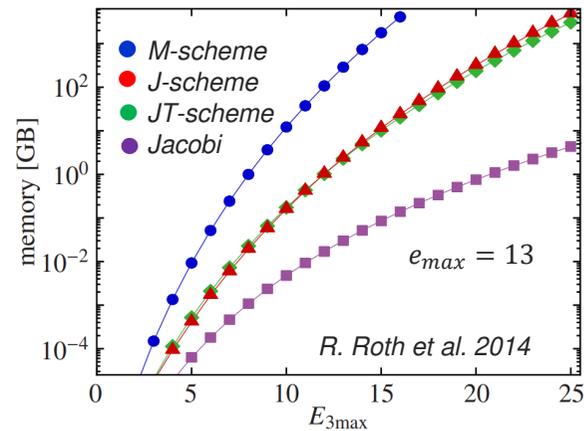
- Small error with reasonable  $\rho$
- Very close to standard NO2B
- **True Hamiltonian** (e.g. for PGCM)

$$\bar{T} \equiv T - \frac{1}{2!} V^{NNN} \cdot \rho \cdot \rho$$

$$\bar{V} \equiv V + V^{NNN} \cdot \rho$$

Easily generalisable to higher rank

Warning : may degrade for states very far from  $\rho$



Essential for predictivity of the theory  
True Hamiltonian (no spurisities BMF) (+)

Memory bottleneck ( $O(N^6)$  vs  $O(N^4)$ )  
Runtime bottleneck (-)

Cost increase in deformed calculation  
**too large to be handled**

Several solutions envisioned

- Compression via tensor factorisation
  - Pioneering works *Tichai et al. (2019)*
  - Factorized interaction in momentum space *Tichai et al. (2023)*
  - Challenge of symmetry broken beyond mean-field *Frosini et. al (2024)*
- *In medium* interactions
  - Rank reduction methods to remove higher rank terms
  - Effective nucleus-dependent two-body interaction *Frosini et. al (2021)*



# Construction of linear system

## Constructing the linear system

$$\sum_{\mathbf{q}} \sum_{\mathbf{J}}^{SD} \mathbf{M}_{I\mathbf{p}\mathbf{J}\mathbf{q}} \mathbf{a}^{\mathbf{J}}(\mathbf{q}) = -\mathbf{h}_1^I(\mathbf{p})$$

$$h_1^I(\mathbf{p}) \equiv \langle \Omega^{I(\mathbf{p})} | H_1 | \Omega^{(0)} \rangle = \langle \Phi^I(\mathbf{p}) | P^\sigma H_1 | \Omega^{(0)} \rangle \quad (2\text{-body})$$

$$N_{I\mathbf{p}\mathbf{J}\mathbf{q}} \equiv \langle \Omega^{I(\mathbf{p})} | \Omega^{J(\mathbf{q})} \rangle = \langle \Phi^I(\mathbf{p}) | P^\sigma | \Phi^J(\mathbf{q}) \rangle \quad (0\text{-body})$$

$$M_{I\mathbf{p}\mathbf{J}\mathbf{q}} \equiv \langle \Omega^{I(\mathbf{p})} | H_0 - E^{(0)} | \Omega^{J(\mathbf{q})} \rangle = \langle \Phi^I(\mathbf{p}) | (H_0 - E^{(0)}) P^\sigma | \Phi^J(\mathbf{q}) \rangle \quad (1\text{-body})$$

## Naive implementation

Construct each  $|\Phi^I\rangle$  by permutations on  $U, V$  columns

Cost of each matrix element  $O(N^3)$

Total cost  $O(n_{gcm}^2 \cdot n_{proj} \cdot N^3 \cdot N^8)$  **Impractical**

**Slater Condon rules** in quantum chemistry

Burton et al. (2022)

## Using Thouless theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Phi(\mathbf{p}) | B^I O R(\theta) B^J | \Phi^J(\mathbf{q}) \rangle &= \langle \Phi(\mathbf{p}) | B^I O B_\theta^J | \Phi^J(\mathbf{q}; \theta) \rangle \\ &= \langle \Phi(\mathbf{p}) | B^I O B_\theta^J e^Z | \Phi(\mathbf{p}) \rangle \langle \Phi(\mathbf{p}) | \Phi^J(\mathbf{q}; \theta) \rangle \\ &= \langle \Phi(\mathbf{p}) | B^{I,Z} O^Z B_\theta^{J,Z} | \Phi(\mathbf{p}) \rangle \langle \Phi(\mathbf{p}) | \Phi^J(\mathbf{q}; \theta) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Total cost  $O(n_{gcm}^2 \cdot n_{proj} \cdot N^5 + n_{gcm}^2 \cdot n_{proj} \cdot N^8)$  **(less) Impractical**

NB : huge prefactor (1000) to account for antisymmetry

## Large linear system

Antisymmetry : only to be solved for *strictly increasing* I, J

Axial + parity symmetry: I and J with good parity and K=0

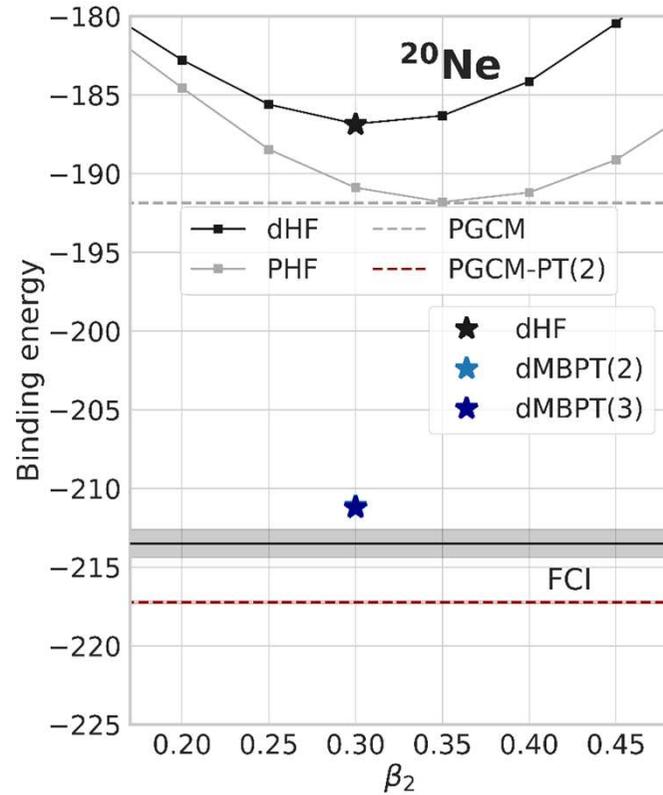
Very large linear system ~ **500000 configurations** in Neon20, 7 shells

**How can we solve such a large system?**

# Validating PGCM-PT against FCI

## Numerical setting

- ▶  $e_{\max} = 4$ ,  $\hbar\omega = 20$  MeV
- ▶  $N^3LO$  NN interaction [Hüther et al 2020]
- ▶  $\lambda_{\text{srg}} = 1.88 \text{ fm}^{-1}$



## Ground state energy

### Static correlations from $J^2$ breaking

- 13 MeV

### Static correlations via PGCM

- 5 MeV from projection
- 10% underbound

### Dynamical correlations via PGCM-PT(2)

- 1,7% error, slightly overshooting FCI
- Deformed SR MBPT(2,3)
  - Underbound
  - Missing projection

## Spectroscopy of $2^+, 4^+$ states

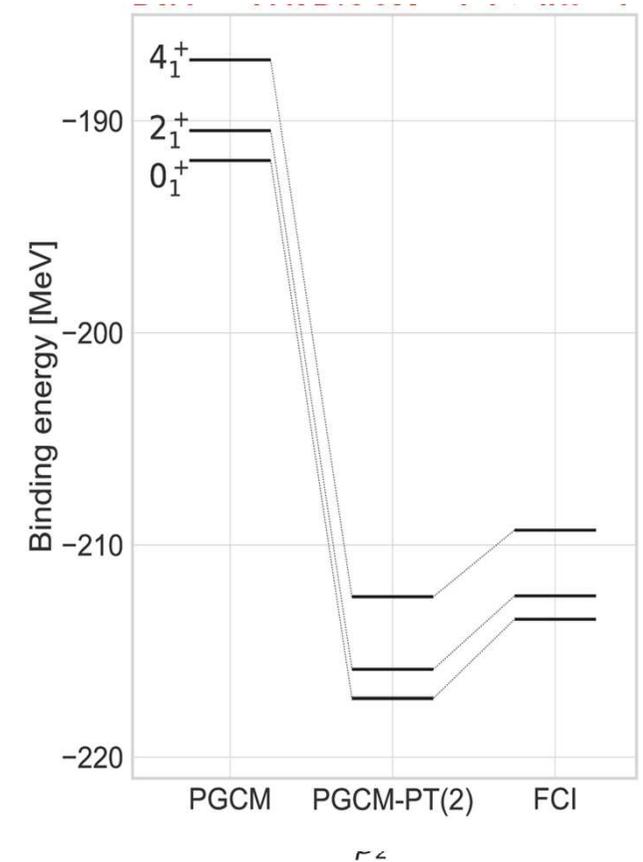
### PHFB strongly dependent on deformation

- **Not well converged**
- PHFB-PT(2) flattens the curve
  - **Empirical sign of convergence**
  - Validation of theory

### PGCM-PT(2) on top of PGCM

- Large **25MeV cancellations**
- Validation of numerics

Need physics **beyond 2p2h** / axial symmetry



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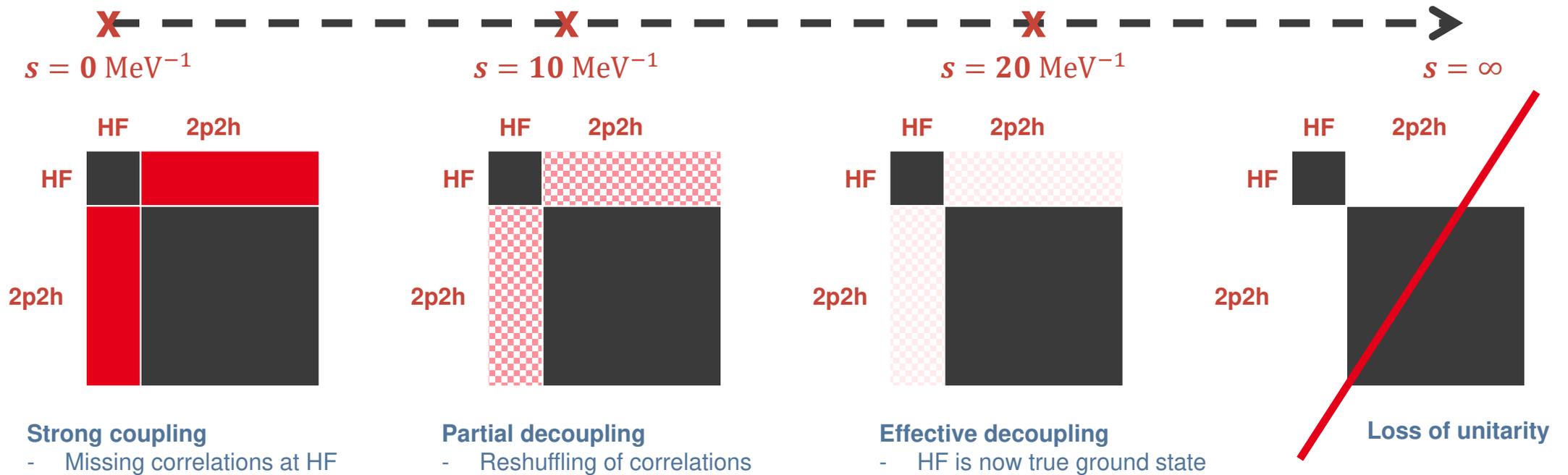
# **3 ■ Application with IMSRG evolved interactions**

# IM-SRG evolved interactions and // with EDF



Hergert et al. (2016)

## Unitary evolution of Hamiltonian

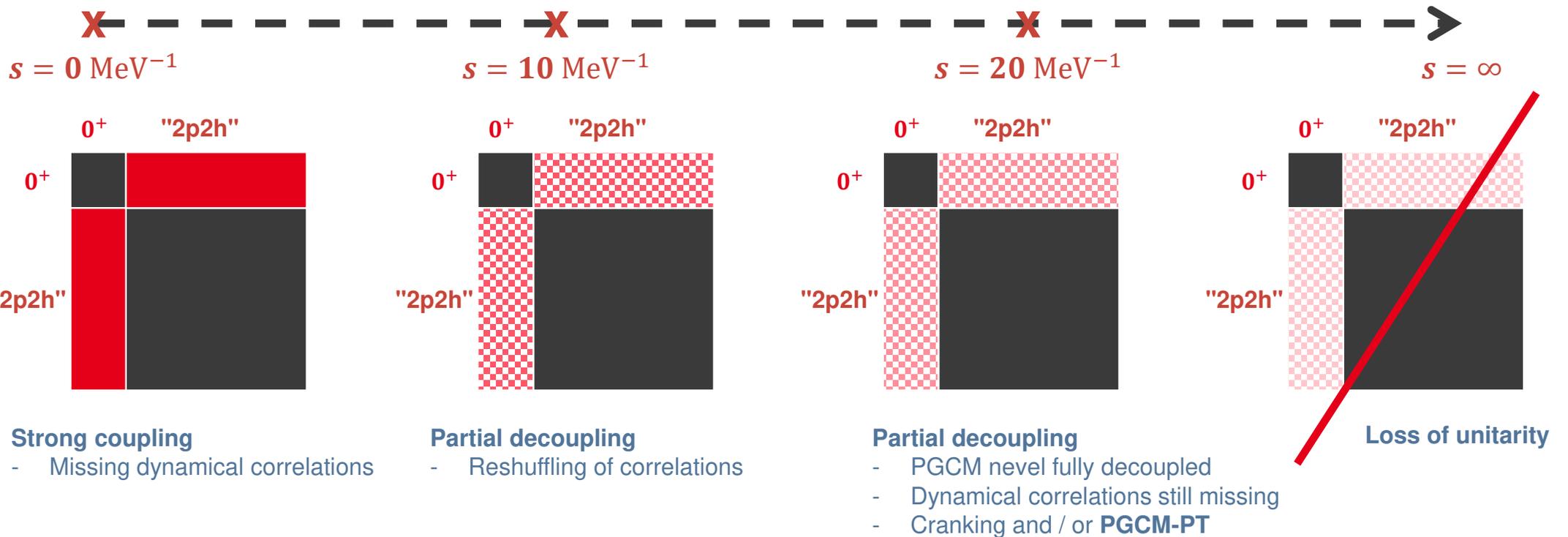


## Standard Single Reference IMSRG

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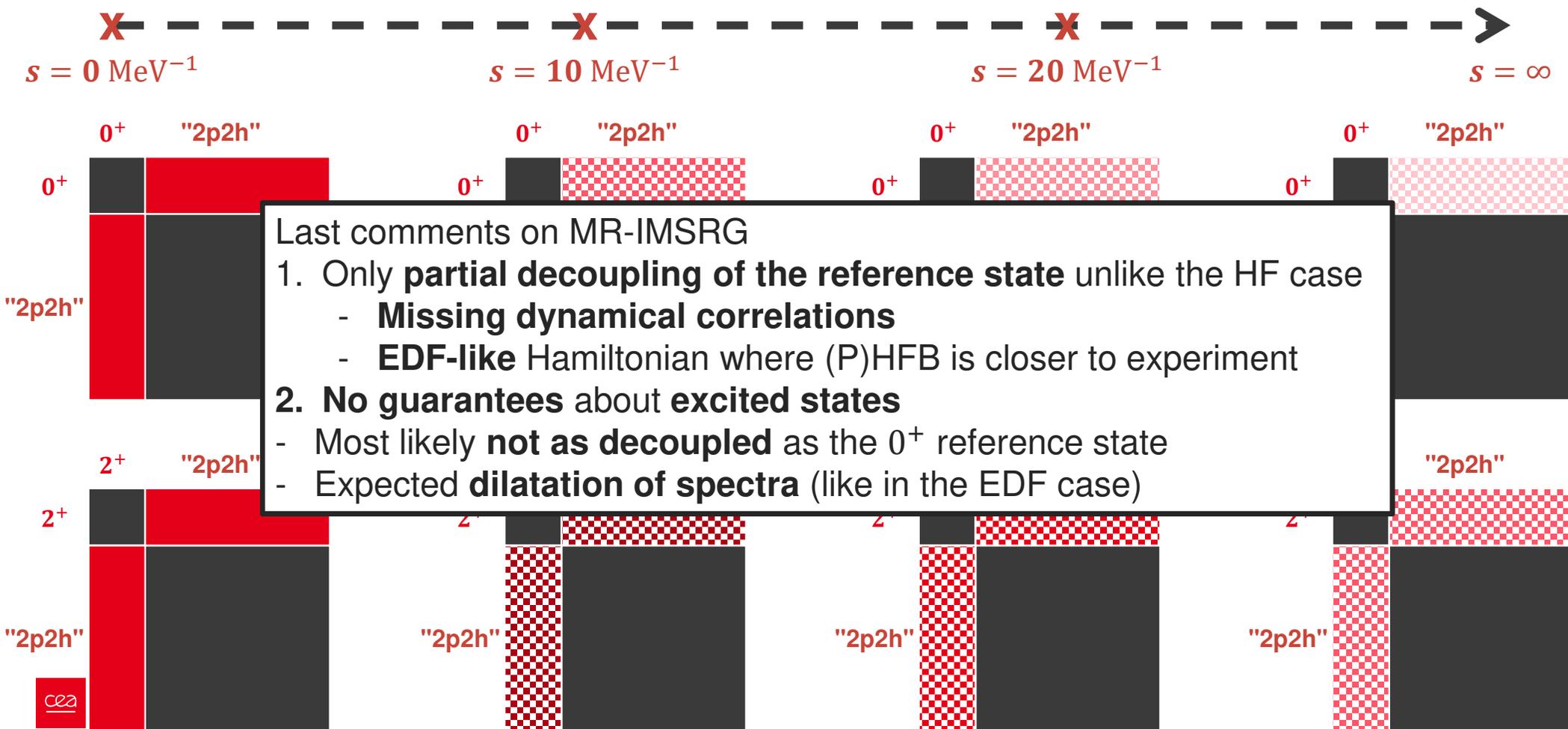


**Multi Reference IMSRG for open-shells**  
 Replace HF by 0<sup>+</sup> PGCM

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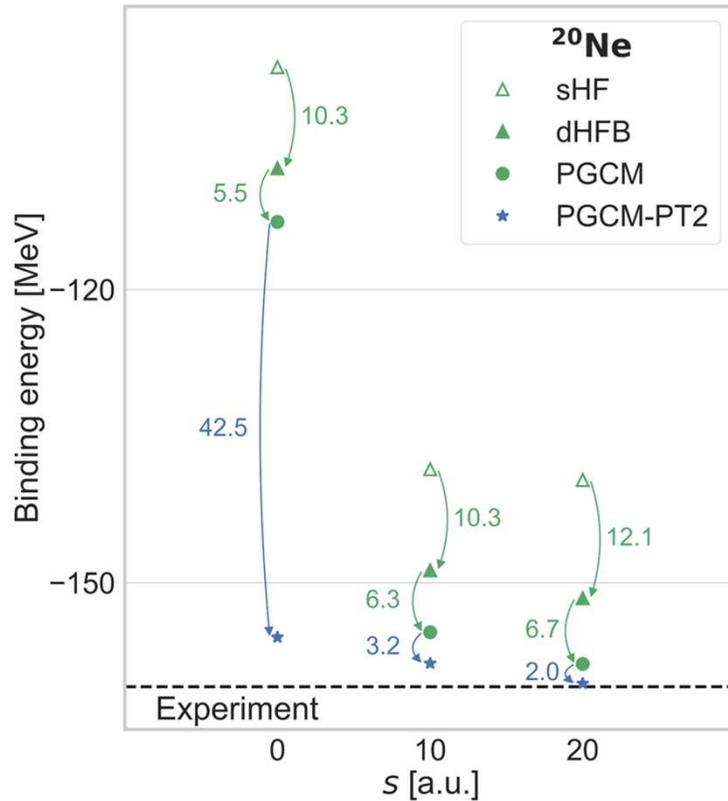
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# PGCM-PT(2) with evolved interactions

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## Reshuffling of correlations

- Much lower mean-field
- **Increase of static** correlations

## PGCM-PT(2) dynamical correlations

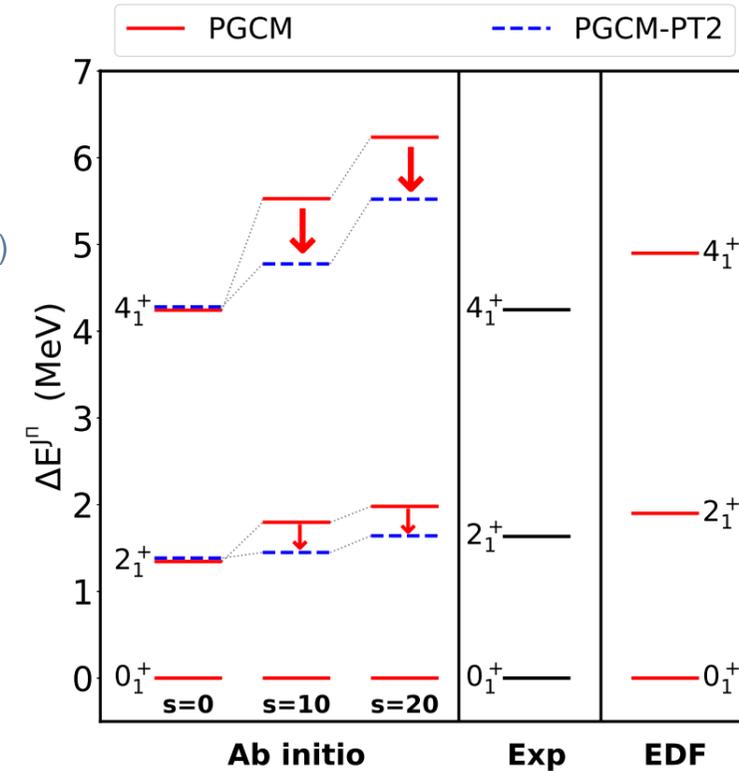
- Strong decrease due to reshuffling
- Not vanishing (approximate decoupling)
- Higher order effects (PGCM-PT(3))?

## Effect on excited states

- Dilatation of rotational spectrum
- Similar to EDF case
- Difficult to capture with PGCM\*

## Correction in perturbation

- PGCM-PT(2) contracts back spectra
- Still not scale independent
  - Higher order?
  - Richer PGCM?
  - What would PCC observe?



Duguet et al (2023)

\* shown recently to be possible with cranking



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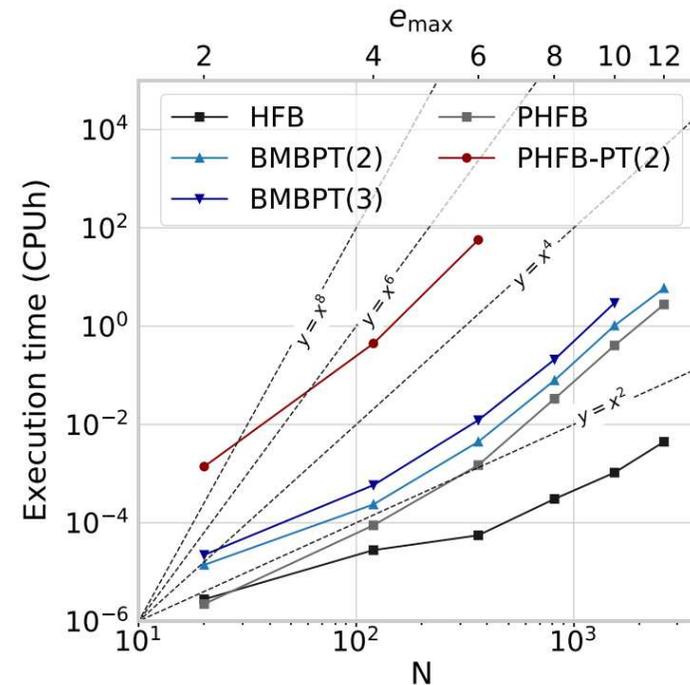
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## Connection with EDF

Calculations with evolved interactions close to EDF

- 3-body captured via *in medium* interaction
- Correlations reshuffled from dynamical to static
- Dilatation of spectra (special case of g.s.)

Raising several questions:

- Dynamical correlations in EDF?
- Bypassing MR-IMSRG?
- Better interplay EDF / *ab initio*?

Duguet et al (2023)

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