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Extending the reach of the shell model



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"It's not enough to just show up. You
have to have a business plan."

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APPLICATIONS



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- **Dark matter targets:** some targets for dark matter (e.g. ^{40}Ar) are in very large model spaces. (Similarly for neutrino targets)
- * **Beta decays:** beta-delayed neutron emission in fission fragments (with Escher at LLNL); independently, look at beta decays of neutron-rich nuclides relevant to FRIB.
- * **Hadronic parity violation:** Experimental measurement of the anapole moment in heavy nuclides is underway (D. DeMille et al; Also TRIUMF's RadMol experiment)
- * **Inputs for reactions in medium to heavy nuclei,** including spectroscopic factors.



THE “SHELL MODEL”

A.K.A., CONFIGURATION-INTERACTION

We want to solve *Schrödinger's equation*:

$$\left(\sum_i -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + U(r_i) + \sum_{i<j} V(\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j) \right) \Psi(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \vec{r}_3 \dots) = E\Psi$$

but as a matrix equation

$$\hat{\mathbf{H}}|\Psi\rangle = E|\Psi\rangle$$



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expand in some (many-body) basis

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Choice of wave function basis

That's because the subgroup for J_z is abelian

M-scheme: basis states with fixed total J_z

Simple and easy to construct/work with

One can make each "Slater determinant" have good M

Requires large dimension basis

n_i	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$\alpha=1$	1	0	0	1	1	0	1
$\alpha=2$	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
$\alpha=3$	0	1	1	1	0	1	0

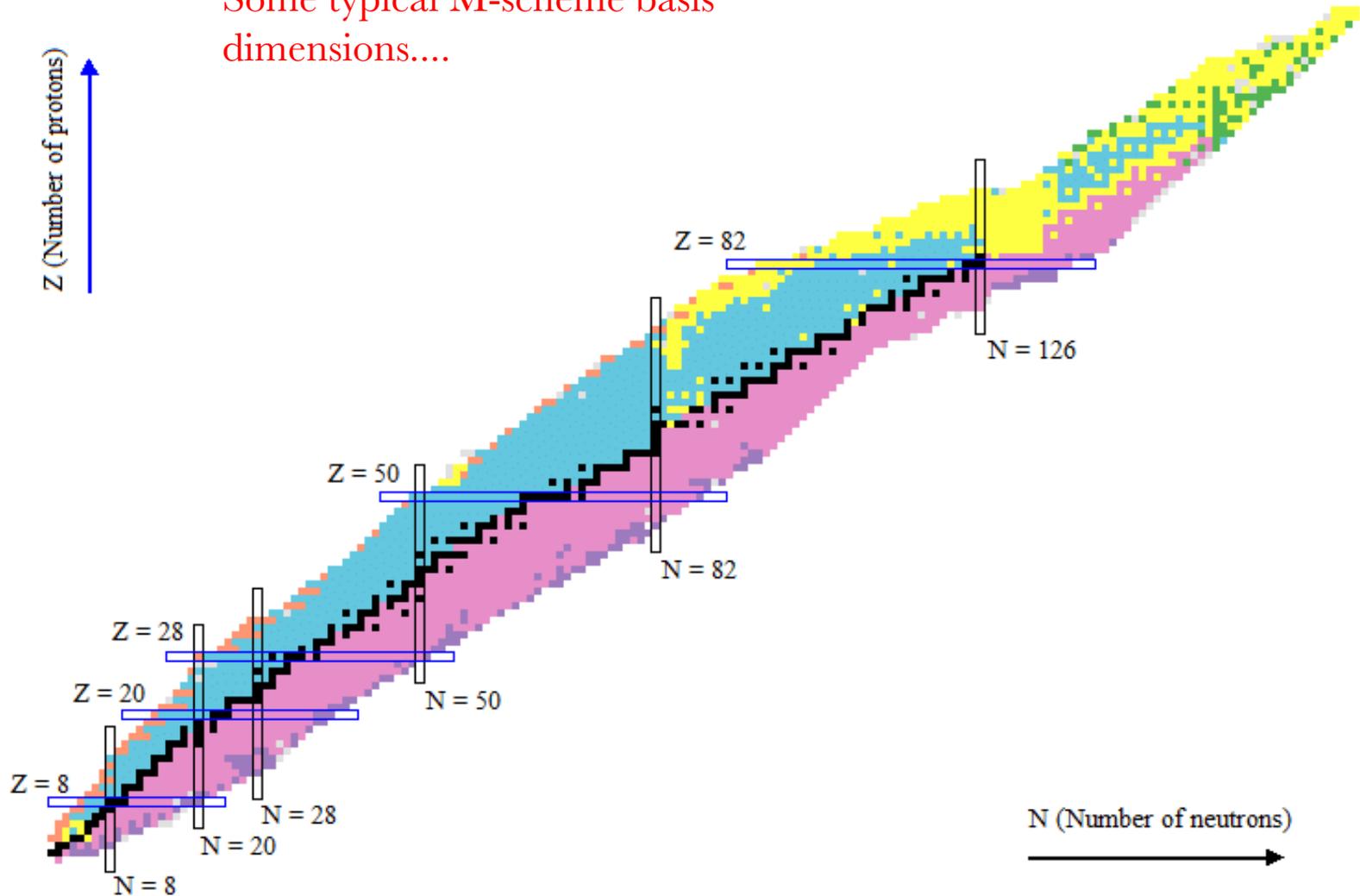


Eugene Wigner

Each of these single-particle states have a fixed value of 'm' and one obtains total 'M' by just summing

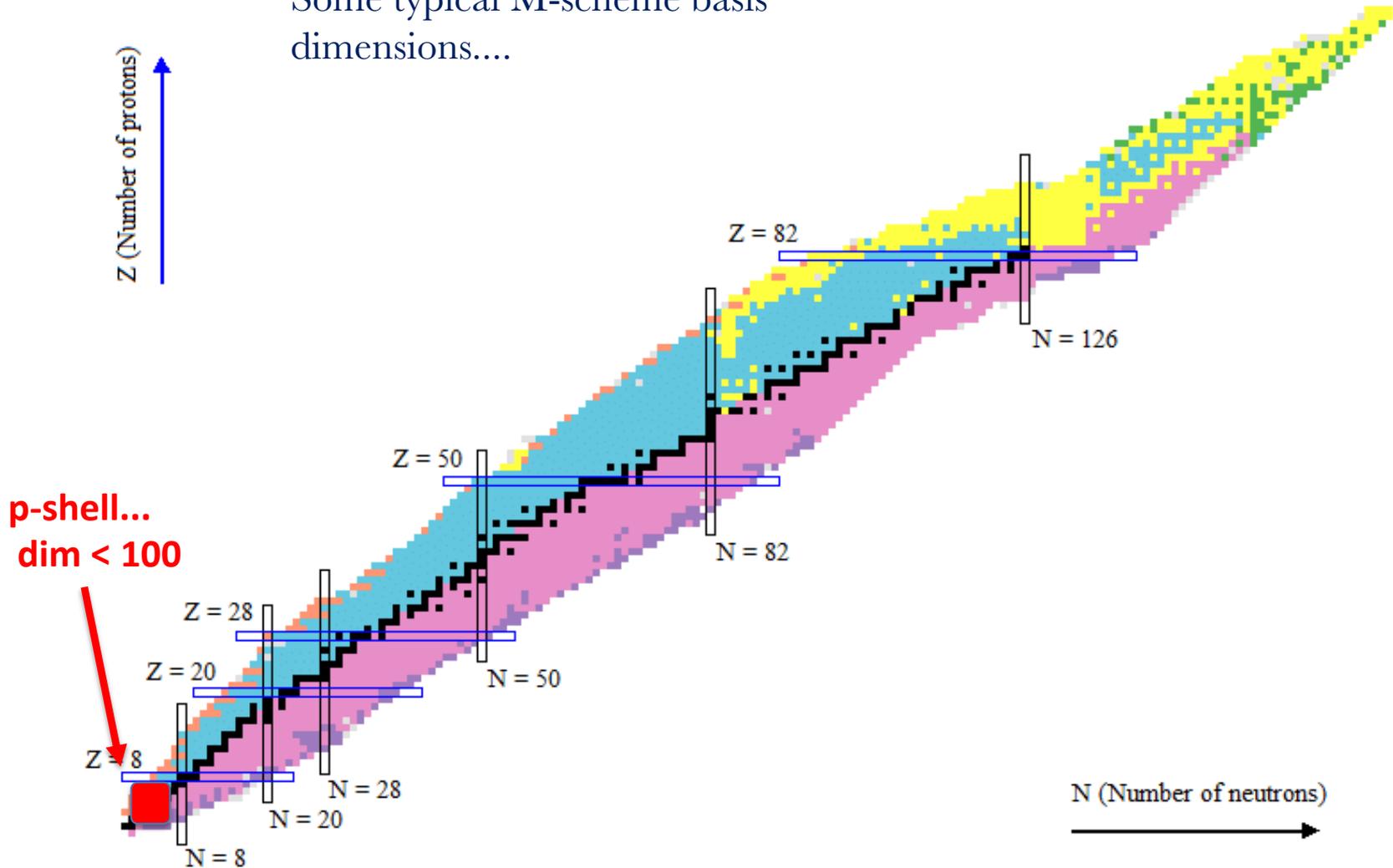


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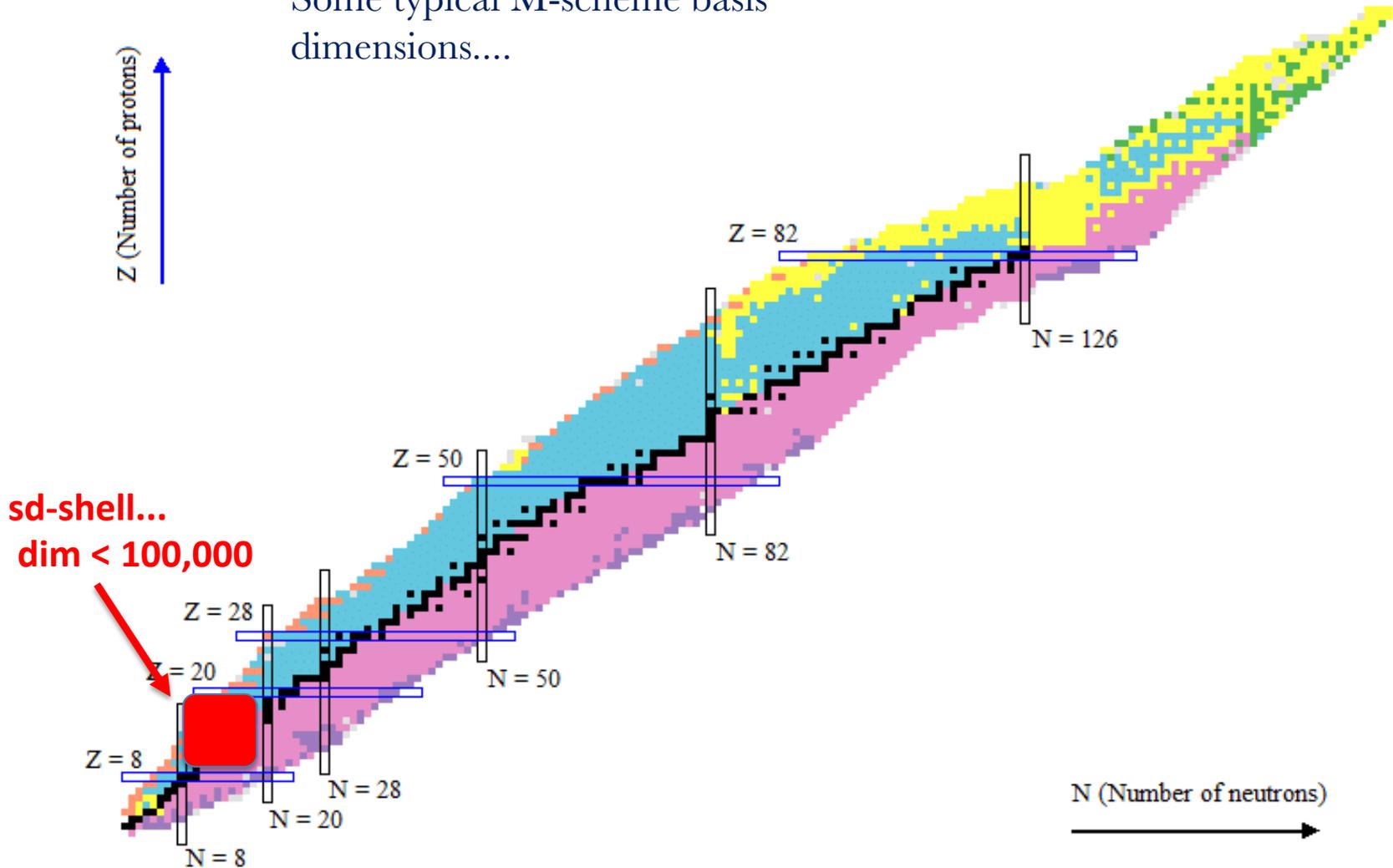


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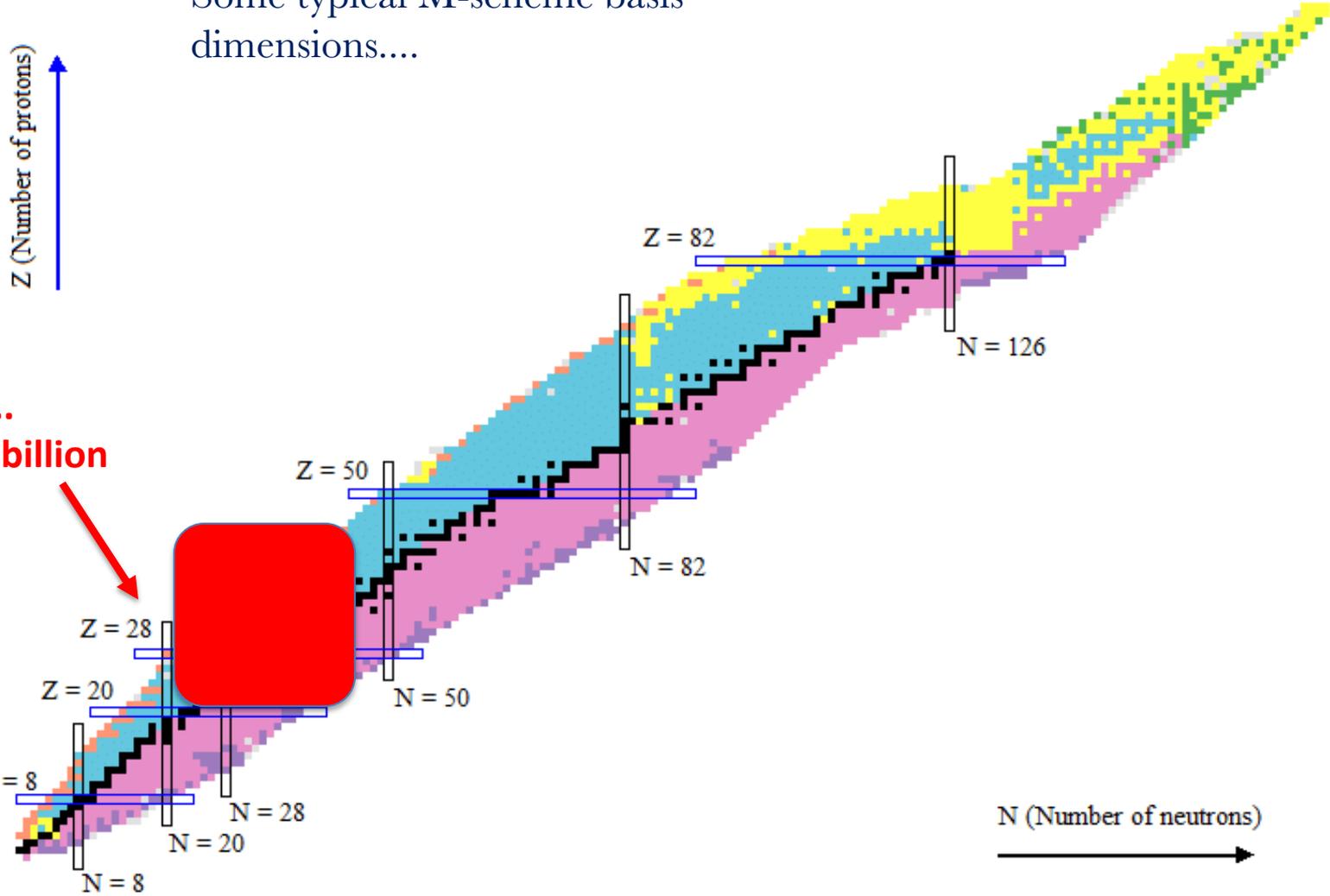
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pf-shell...
dim < 2 billion

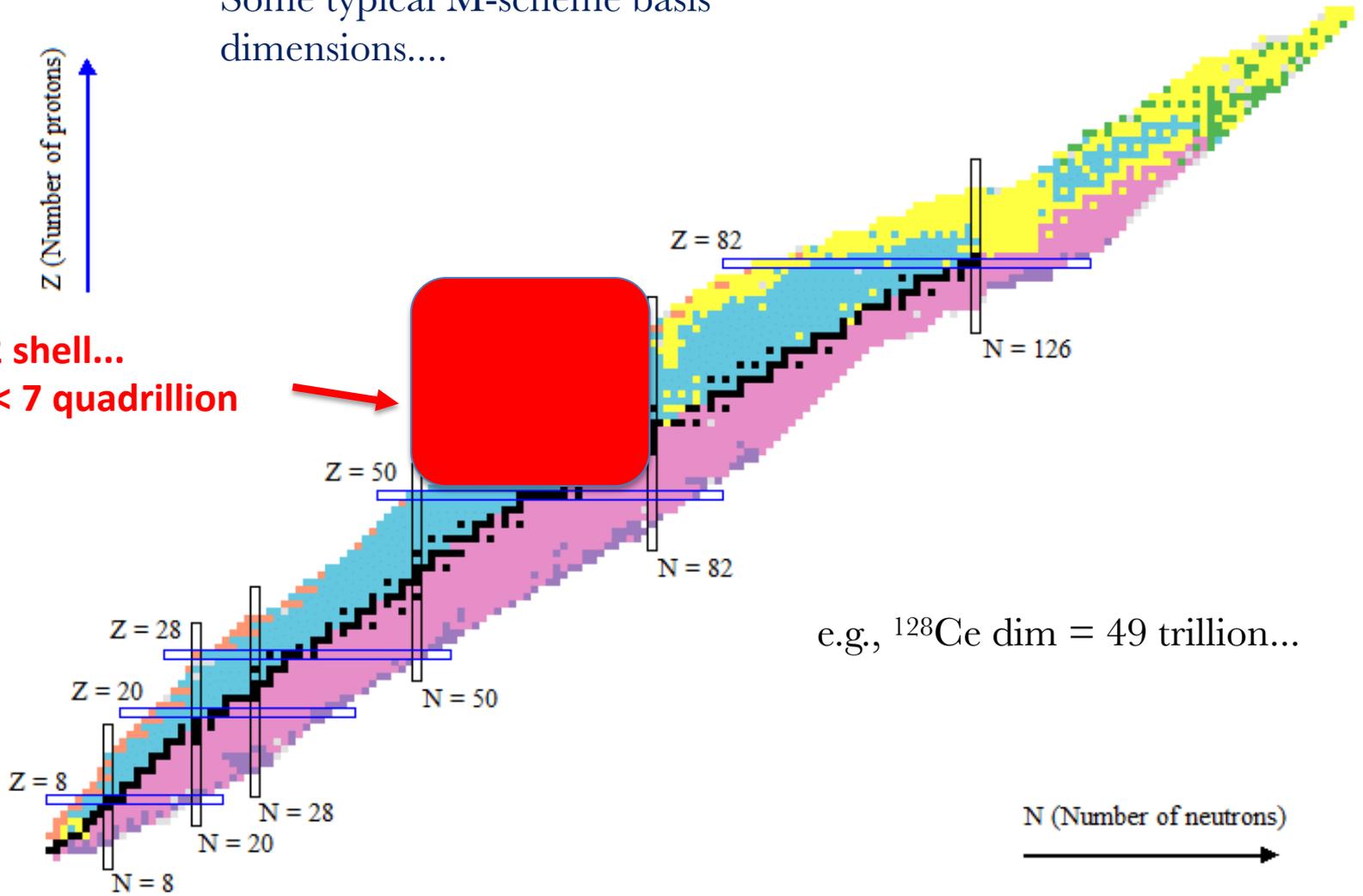


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50-82 shell...
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e.g., ^{128}Ce dim = 49 trillion...

N (Number of neutrons)



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A sampling menu of dimensionalities

$^{12}\text{C } N_{\text{max}} = 4$ dim 1 million

$^{12}\text{C } N_{\text{max}} = 6$ dim 30 million

$^{12}\text{C } N_{\text{max}} = 8$ dim 500 million

$^{12}\text{C } N_{\text{max}} = 10$ dim 7.8 billion

$^{12}\text{C } N_{\text{max}} = 12$ dim 81 billion

Largest (?) known calculation, ^6Li , $N_{\text{max}}=22$, **25 billion**
(Forssen *et al*, PRC **97**, 034328 (2018). with pANTOINE)

A PROBLEM....



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Possible solution:

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elements over many
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(i.e., code MFDn
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"Divide-and-conquer"

that is, break problem into smaller, easier pieces and solve each separately



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How most shell-model codes represent the basis:
Proton-neutron factorization

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For fast calculation these are typically bit strings, or “*occupation representation of Slater determinants*”

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The diagram shows two blue arrows pointing from the indices μ and ν in the equation above to the bit strings below. The arrow from μ points to the first bit string, and the arrow from ν points to the second bit string.

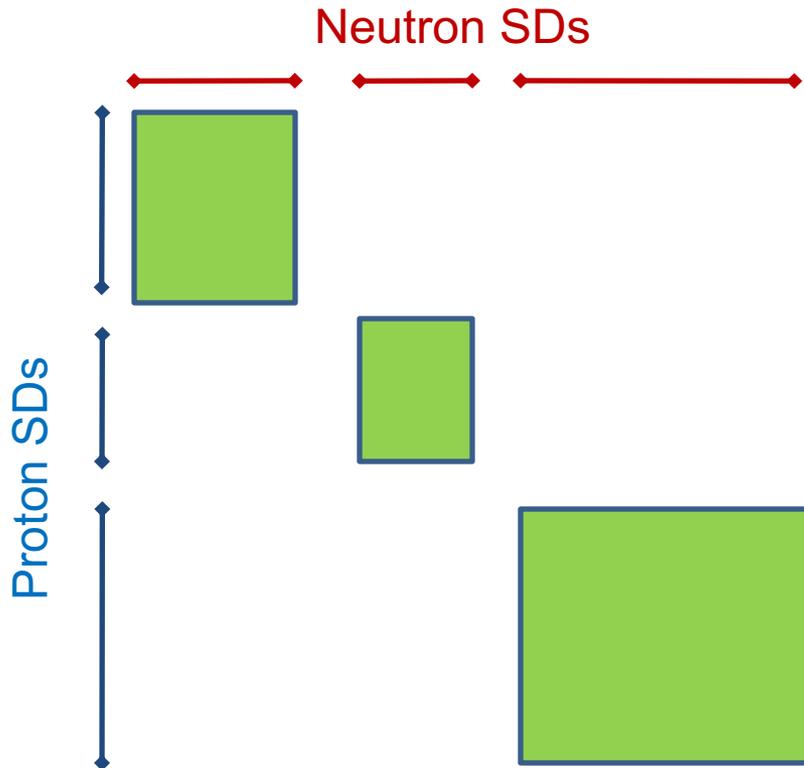
$$|01101000\dots\rangle |10010100\dots\rangle$$



FACTORIZATION

Reuse can be **exploited using exact factorization**
enforced through *additive/multiplicative quantum numbers*

$$|\alpha\rangle = |\alpha_p\rangle \times |\alpha_n\rangle$$



Example N = Z nuclei

Nuclide	Basis dim	# pSDs (= #nSDs)
²⁰ Ne	640	66
²⁴ Mg	28,503	495
²⁸ Si	93,710	924
⁴⁸ Cr	1,963,461	4895
⁵² Fe	109,954,620	38,760
⁵⁶ Ni	1,087,455,228	125,970

SOME SHELL-MODEL CODES



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Matrix storage:

Oak Ridge-Rochester (small matrices)

Glasgow-Los Alamos (M-scheme, stored on disk; introduced Lanczos)

OXBASH / Oxford-MSU (J-scheme, stored on disk)

MFDn/ Iowa State (M-scheme, stored in RAM)

MCSM/ Tokyo (J-scheme from selected states)

Importance Truncation SM/Darmstadt (M-scheme from selected states)

Sym Adapted SM / LSU

Factorization/on-the-fly:

ANTOINE Strasbourg (M-scheme; originator of on-the-fly)

NATHAN Strasbourg (J-scheme)

NuShell/NuShellX (J-scheme)

MSHELL64 / KSHELL Tokyo (M-scheme)

BIGSTICK/ LSU-SDSU-Livermore

The BIGSTICK public shell-model code!



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Download from: github.com/cwjsdsu/BigstickPublic

Manual at arXiv:1801.08432

Authors: CWJ, Erich Ormand, K. McElvain, H.Z. Shan,
R. Zbikowski

Uses “factorization” algorithm: Johnson, Ormand, and Krastev,
Comp. Phys. Comm. 184, 2761(2013)

Runs on both desktop and parallel machines

--can run at least dimension 300M+ on desktop

--has done *dimension 20 billion+* on supercomputers



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Even with the efficiencies of modern codes, the dimension can be too large to handle

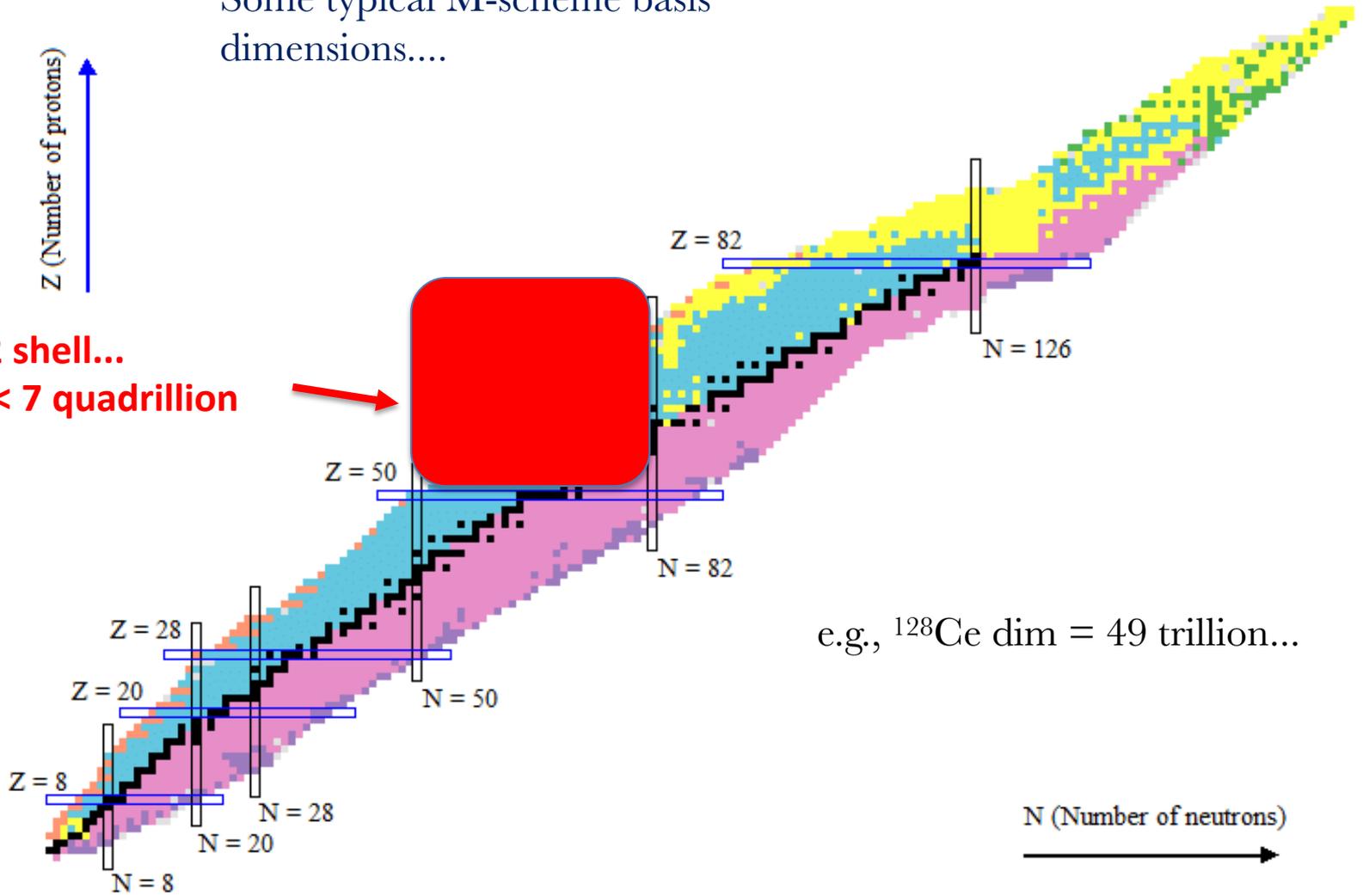
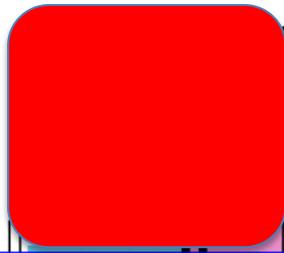


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e.g., ^{128}Ce dim = 49 trillion...



It is easy to get to model spaces beyond our reach:

shells between 50 and 82 ($0g_{7/2}$ $2s_{1d}$ $0h_{11/2}$)

^{128}Te : dim 13 million (laptop)

^{127}I : dim 1.3 billion (small supercomputer)

^{128}Xe : dim 9.3 billion (supercomputer)

^{129}Cs : dim 50 billion (haven't tried!)

^{130}Ba : dim 200 billion!!

^{128}Ce : dim 49 trillion!!!



Alternate approach for medium/heavy nuclei:
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$$(a_1|010110\dots\rangle + a_2|110010\dots\rangle + a_3|001011\dots\rangle + \dots)$$

No longer single “Slater determinants” but
linear combinations...



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Priori work by Papenbrock, Juodagalvis, Dean,
Phys. Rev. C **69**, 024312 (2004), **focused on N = Z**

similar to DMRG (density-matrix renormalization group)
(but not exactly)



Why we think this could work:

Decompose full wfn into proton, neutron components

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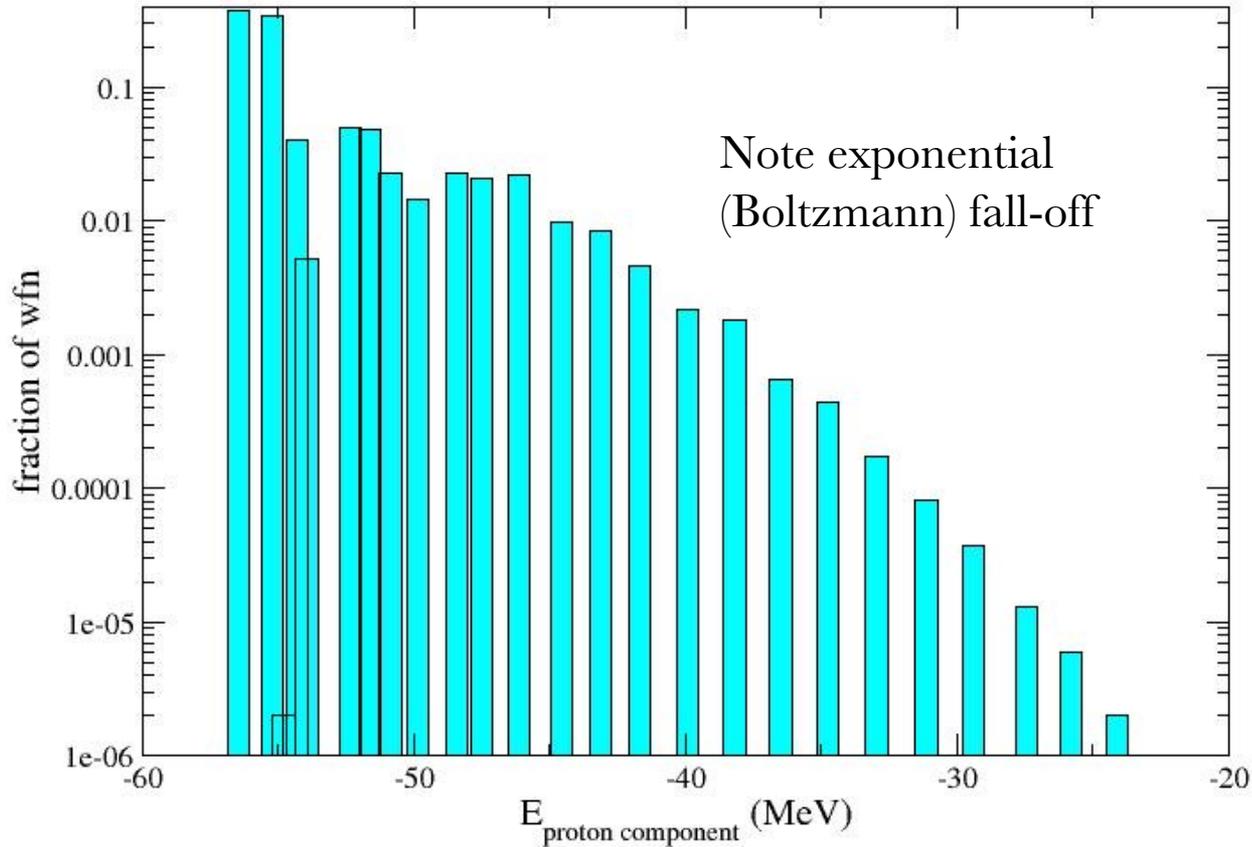
$$frac_{\mu} = \sum_{\nu} |c_{\mu\nu}|^2 \quad = \text{fraction of full wave function with } \textit{proton} \text{ (eigen)state } \mu$$

(one can compute this very efficiently with the Lanczos algorithm, using just the **proton part of the full Hamiltonian**)



^{52}Fe in pf -shell with GX1A interaction

decomposition of g.s.

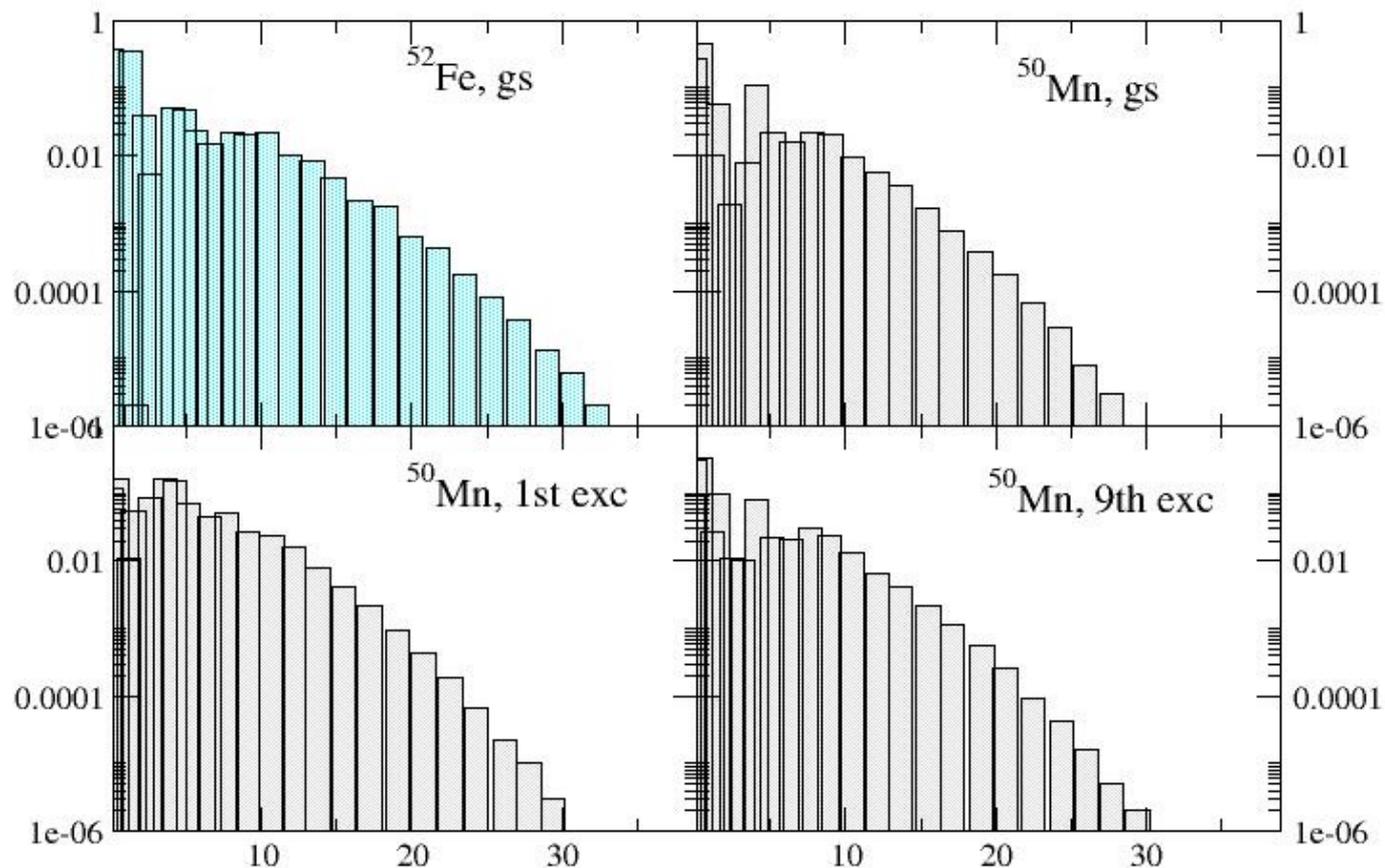


These energies are the eigenenergies of 6 valence protons in the pf shell



pf-shell with GX1A interaction

decomposition into proton components



Note exponential
(Boltzmann) fall-off



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Example application:

shells between 50 and 82 ($0g_{7/2} 2s 1d 0h_{11/2}$)

^{129}Cs : M-scheme dim 50 billion (haven't tried!)

Proton Slater determinant dimension: 14,677

Neutron Slater determinant dimension: 646,430



We have written a code (O. Gorton)
Proton And Neutron Approximate Shell model:
PANASh

We want to find solutions to

$$\hat{H}|\Psi\rangle = E|\Psi\rangle \quad \text{where} \quad \hat{H} = \hat{H}_{pp} + \hat{H}_{nn} + \hat{H}_{pn}$$

$$\text{We solve} \quad \hat{H}_{pp}|\Psi_p\rangle = E_p|\Psi_p\rangle \quad \hat{H}_{nn}|\Psi_n\rangle = E_n|\Psi_n\rangle$$

and choose certain $|\Psi_p\rangle, |\Psi_n\rangle$ as basis for diagonalization;



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Oliver Gorton

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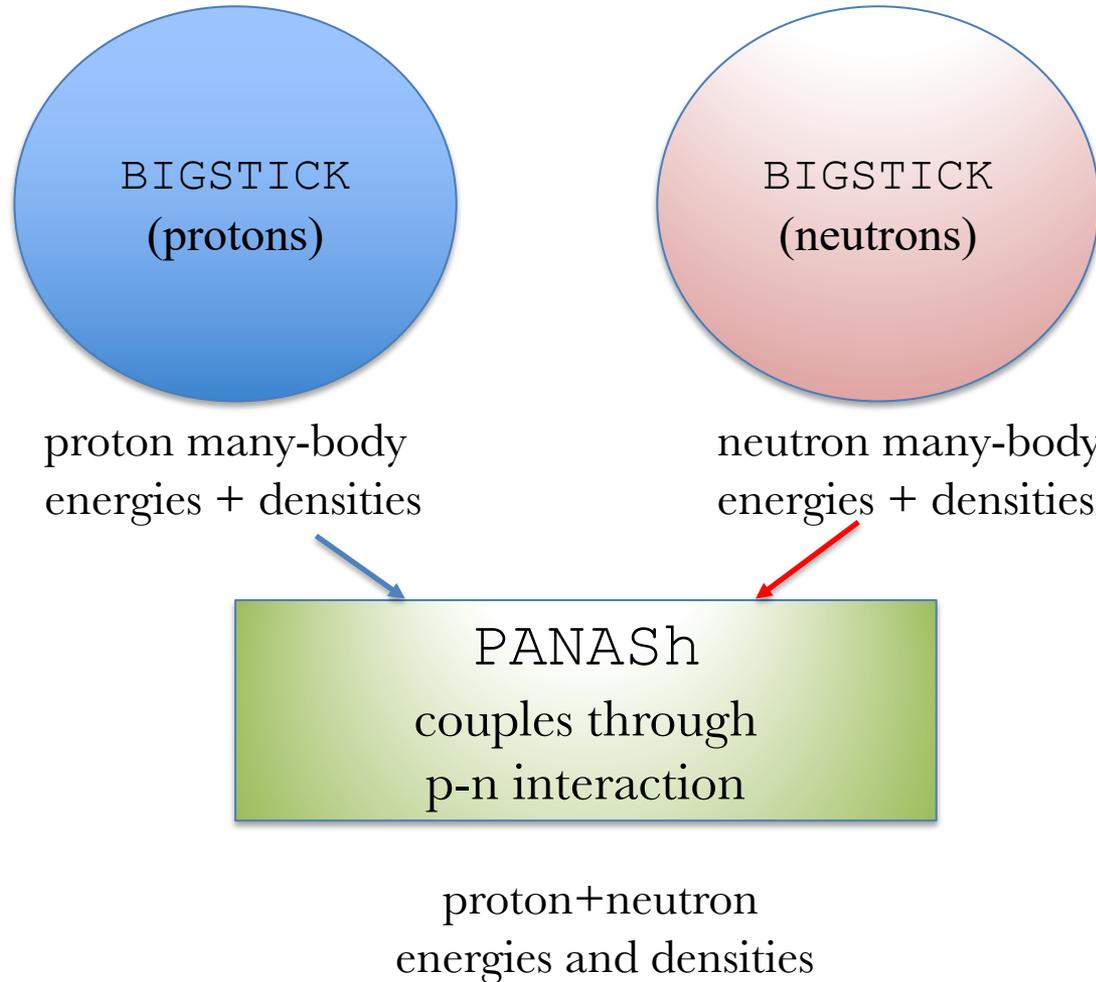
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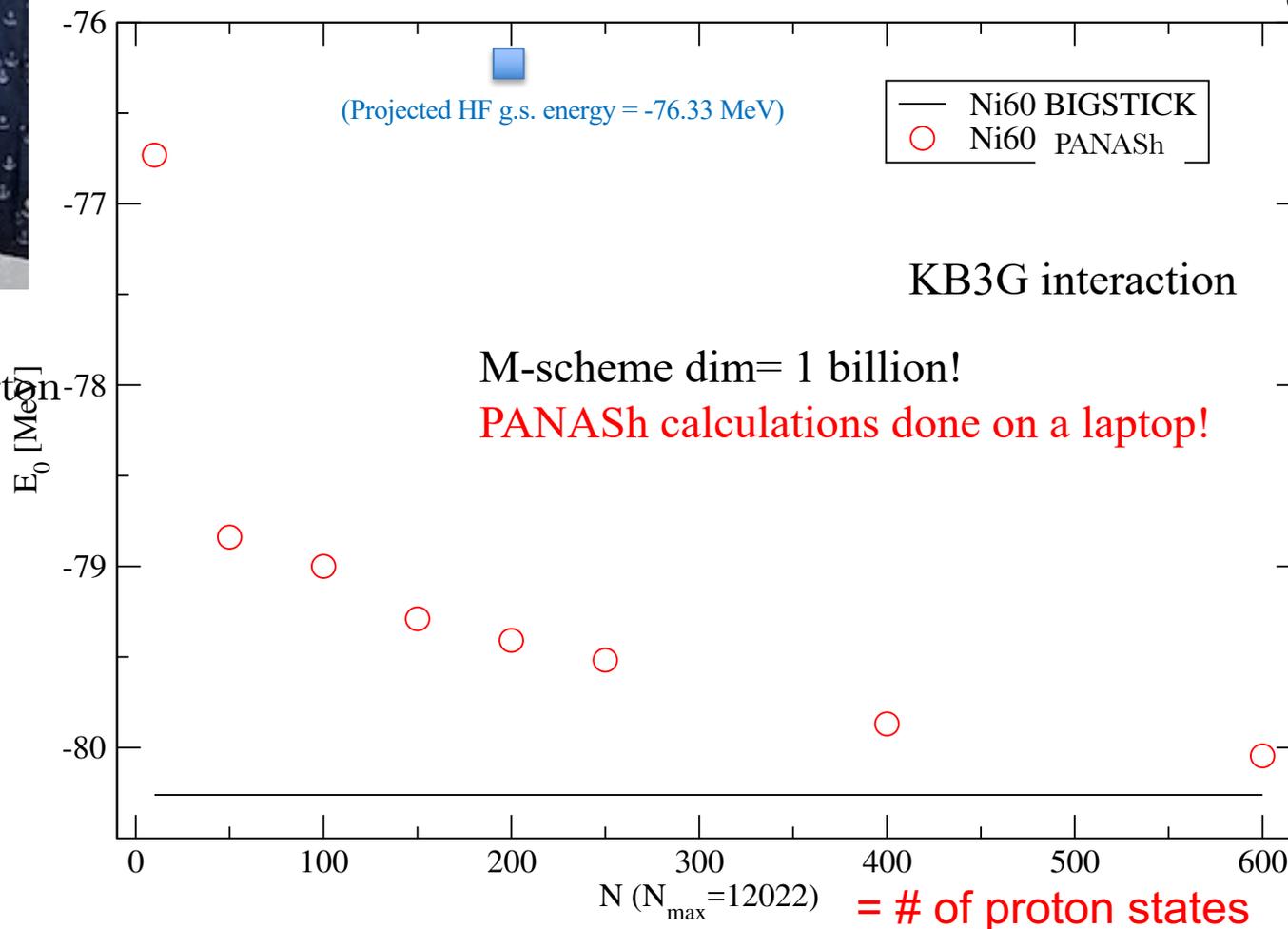


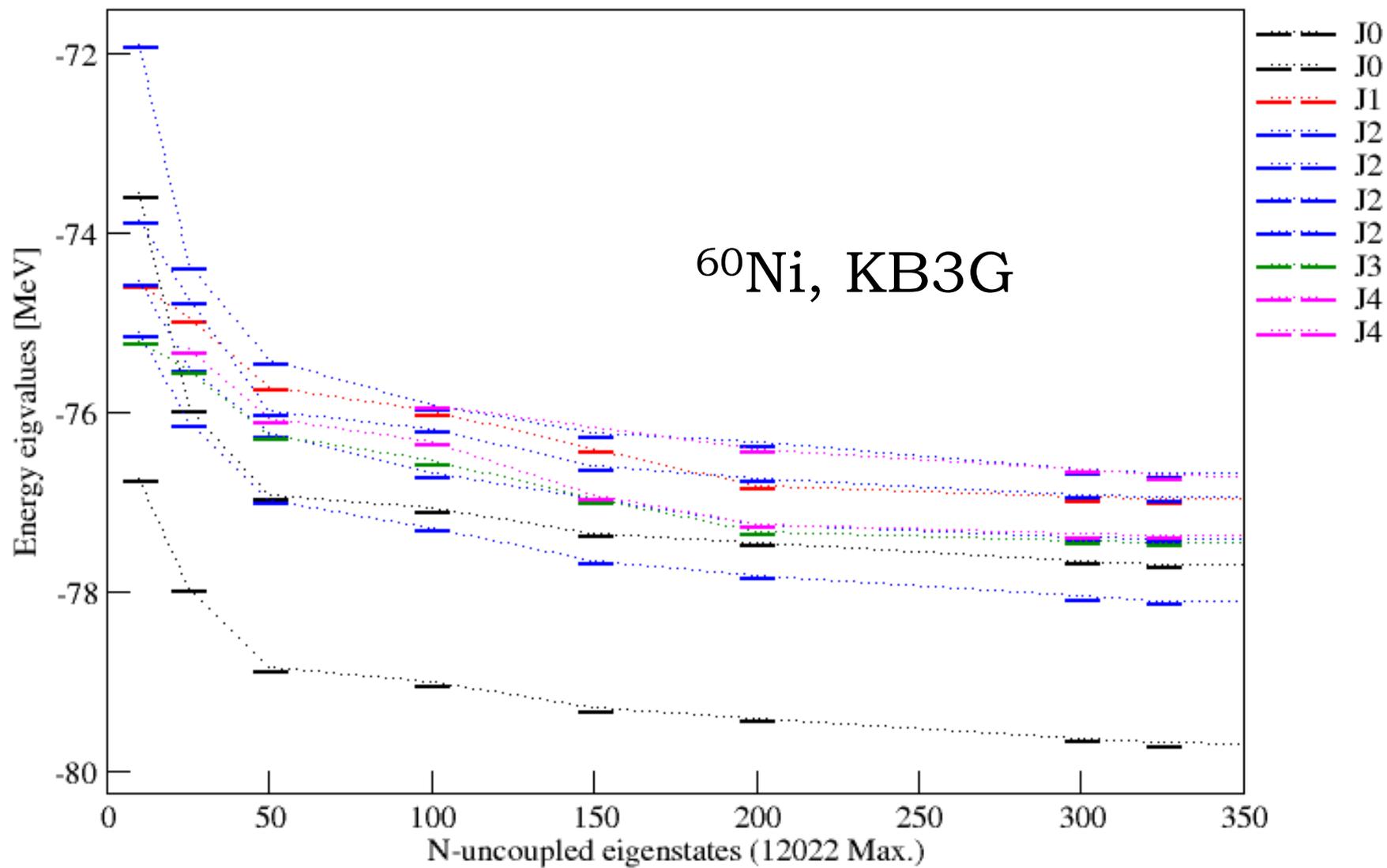
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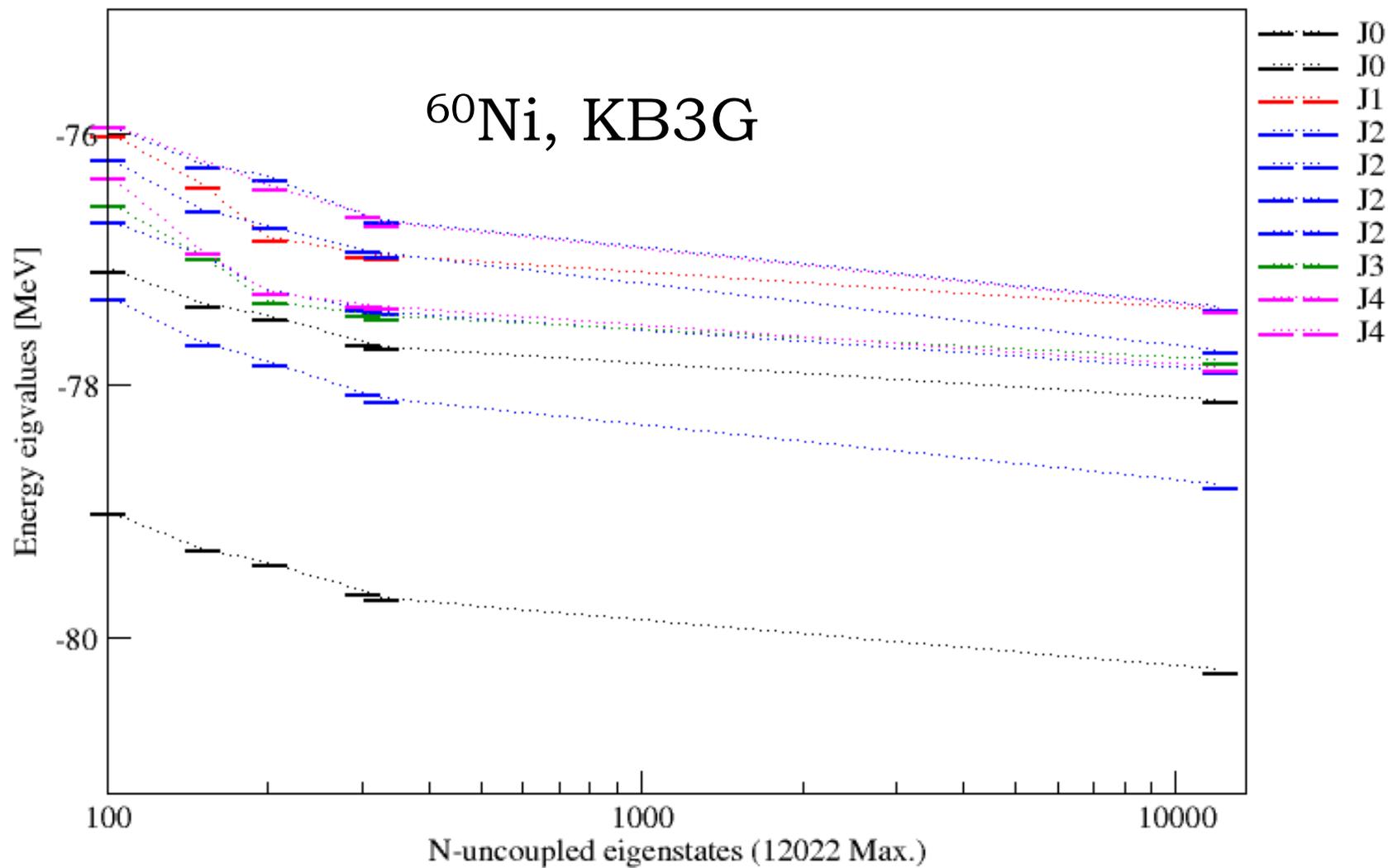
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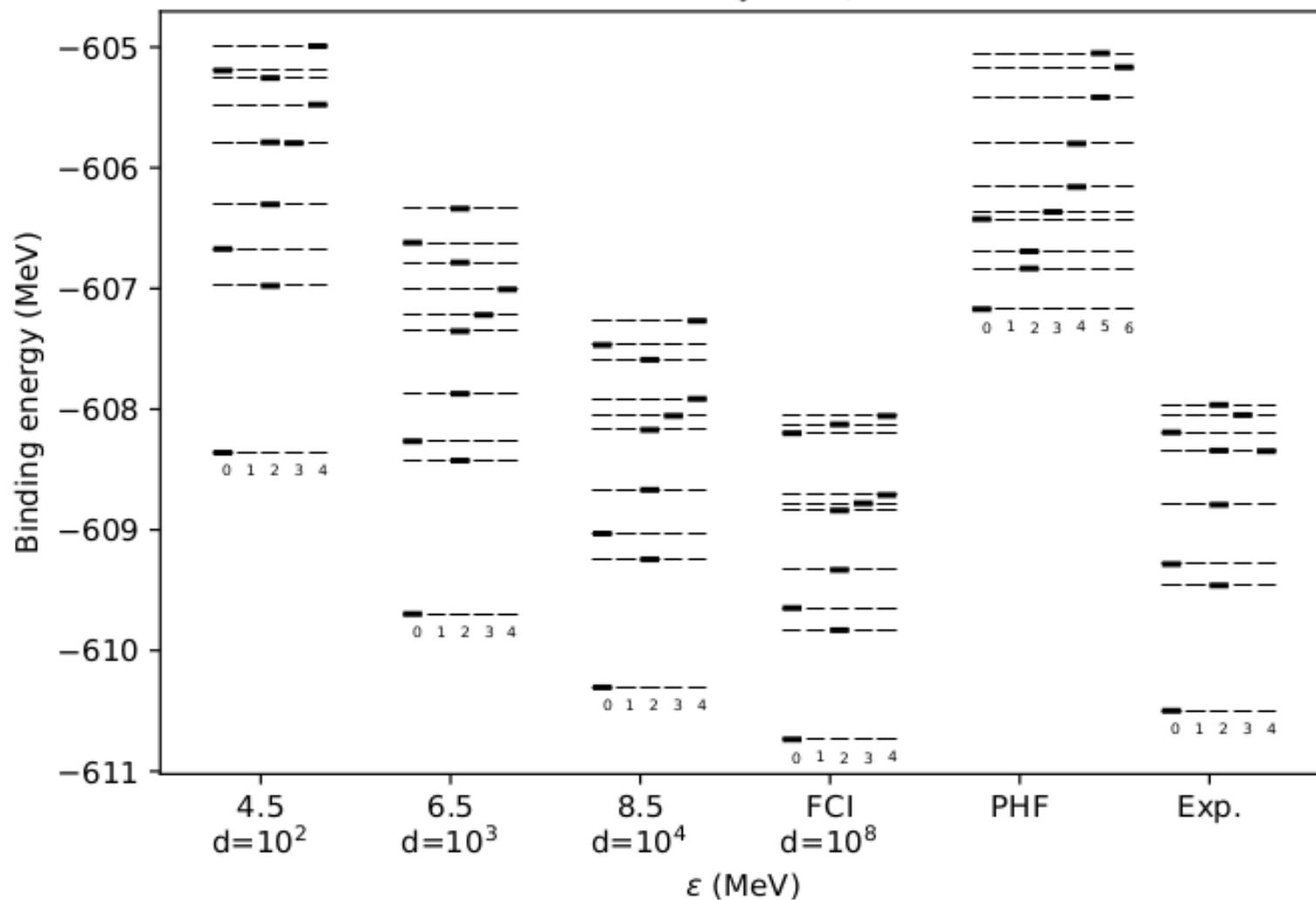


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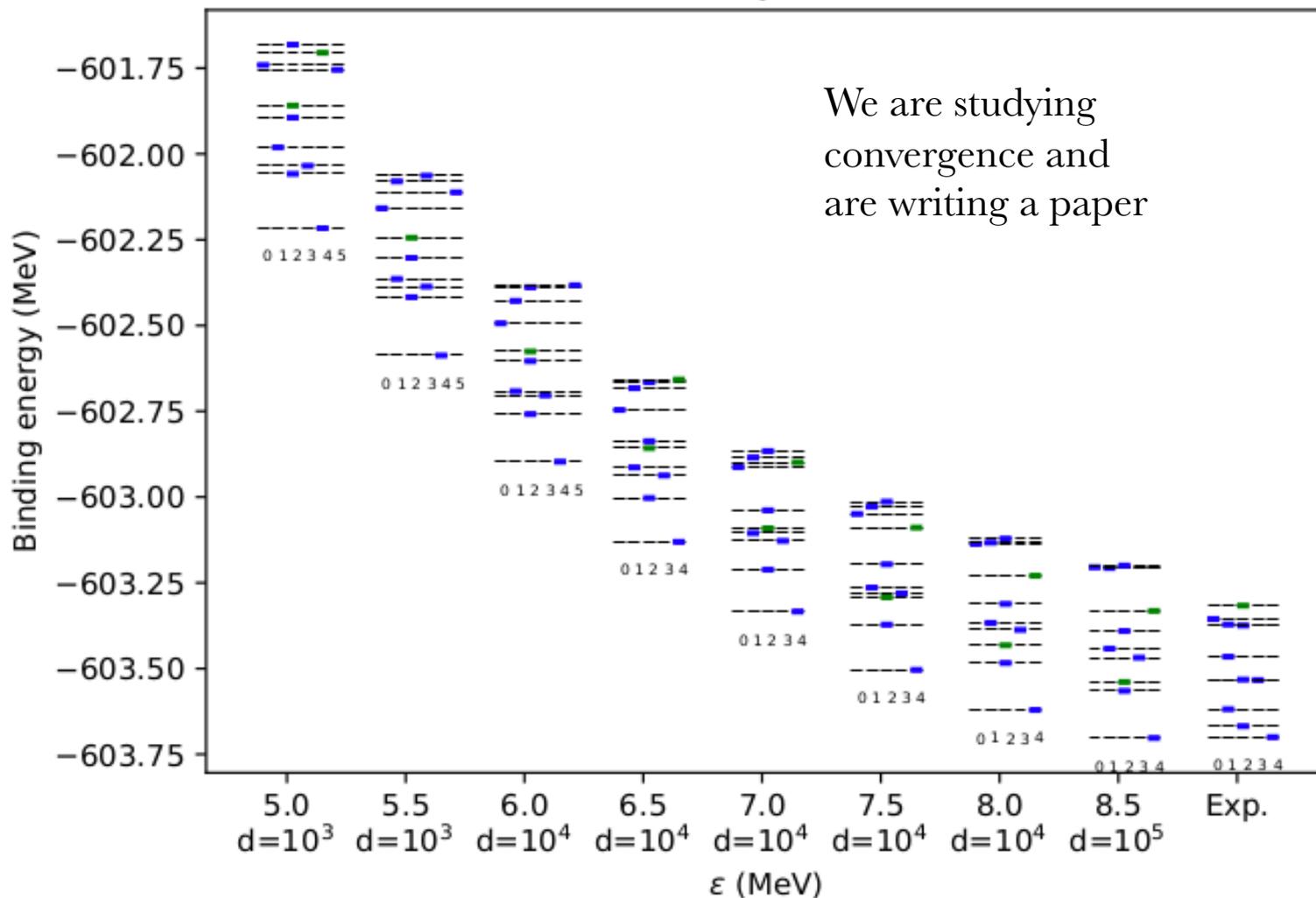


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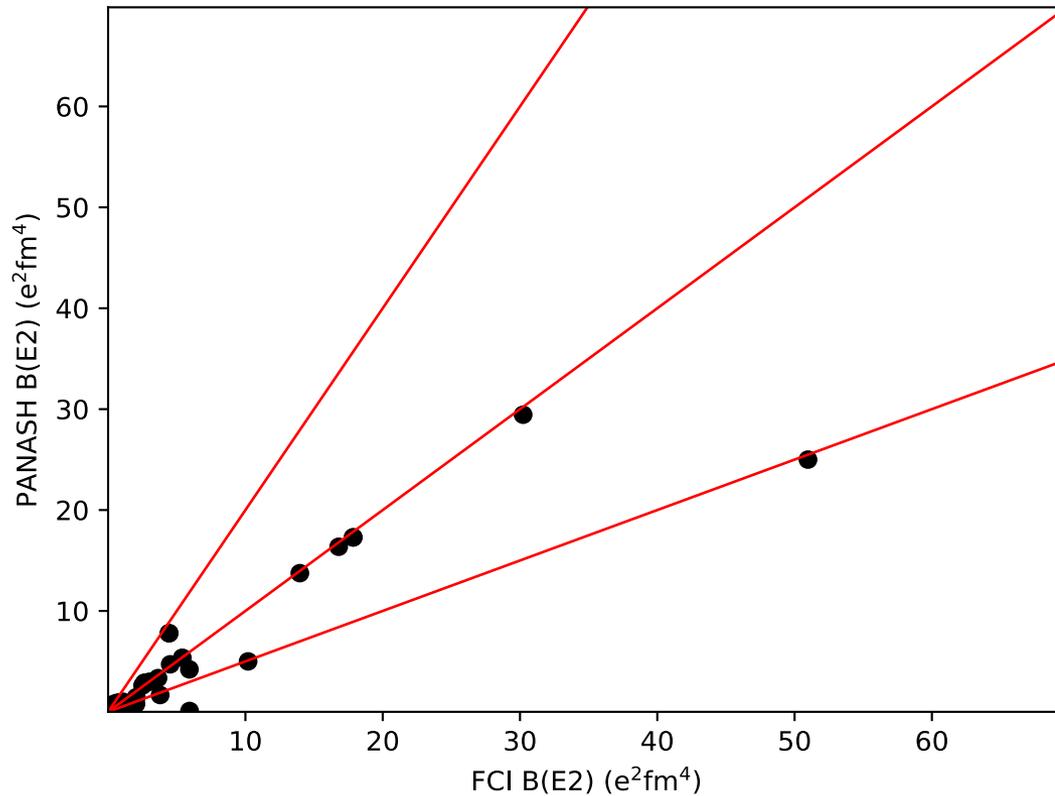




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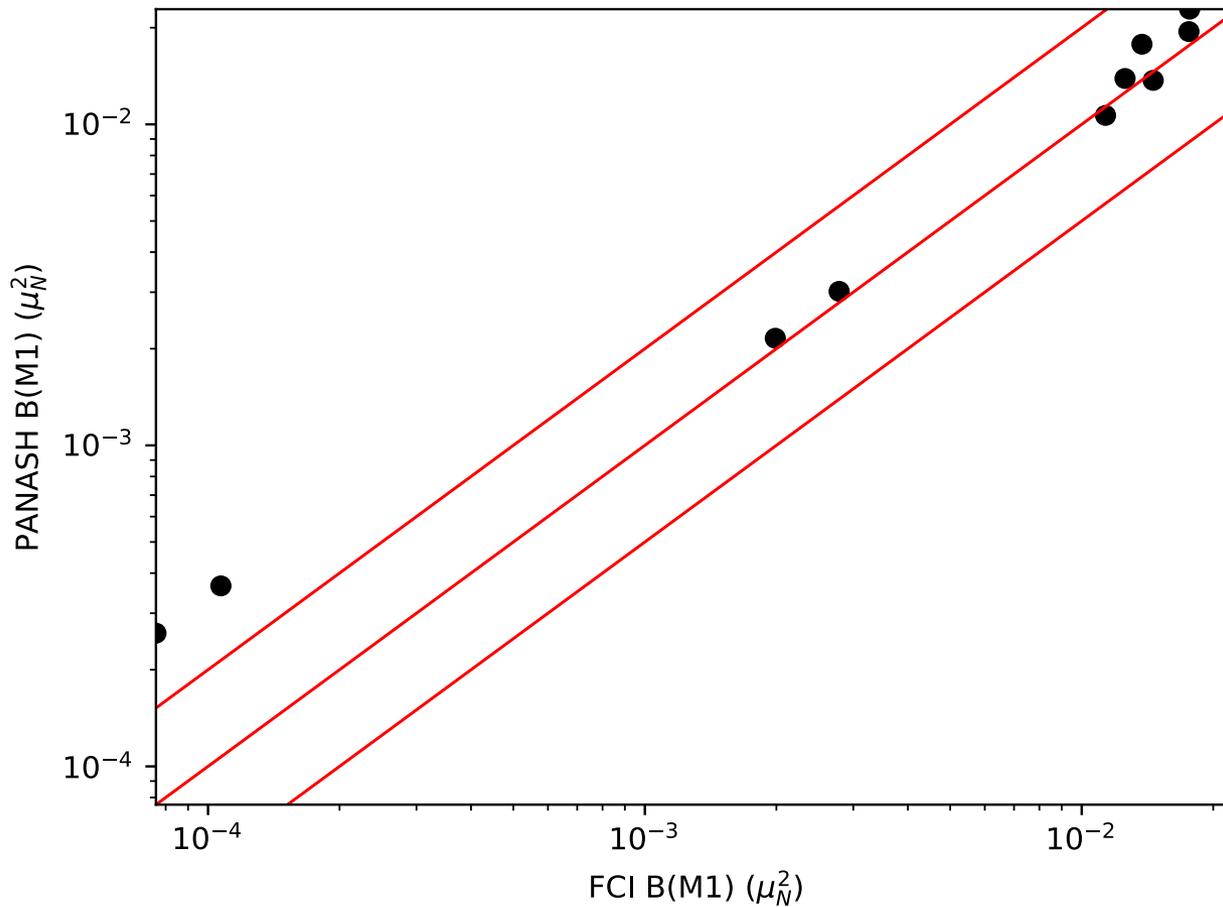
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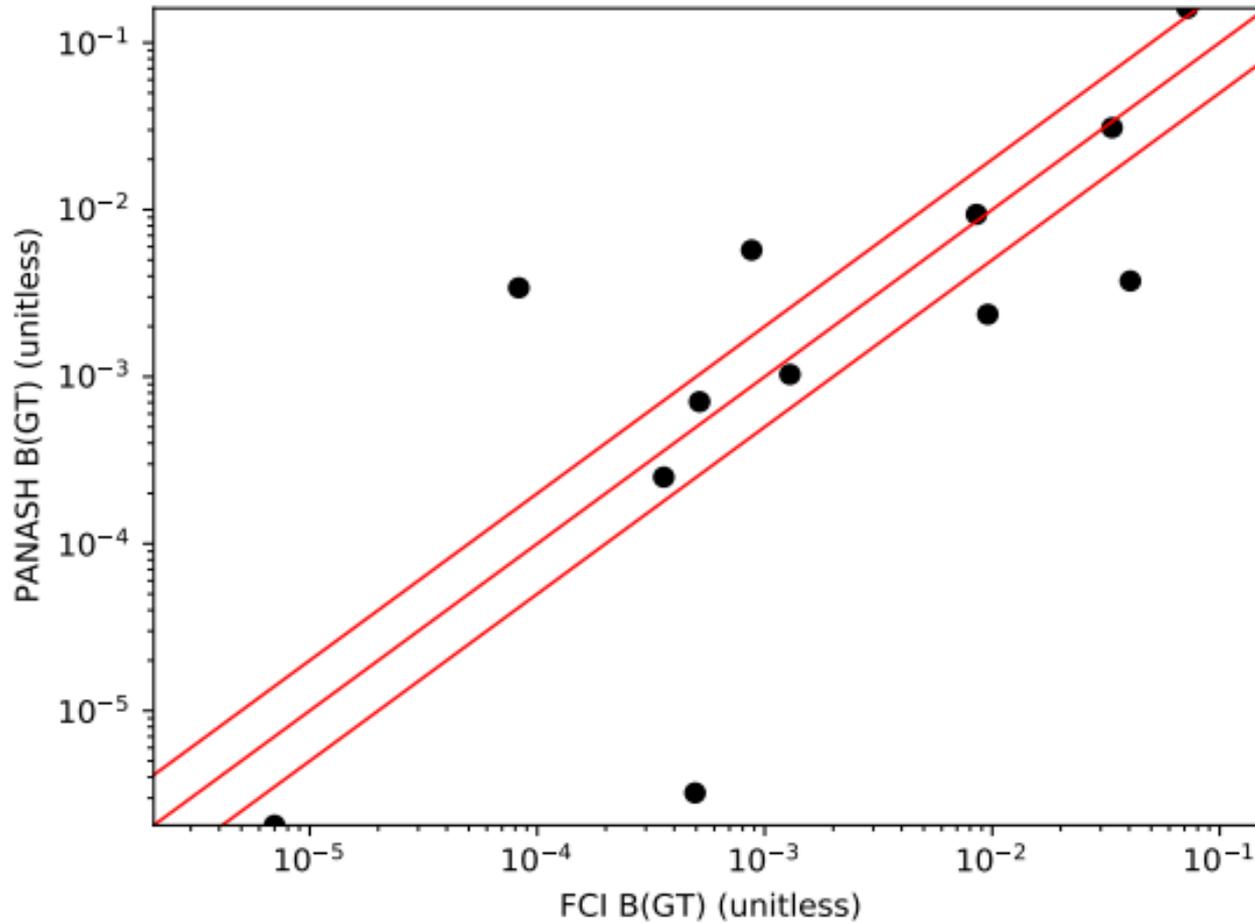
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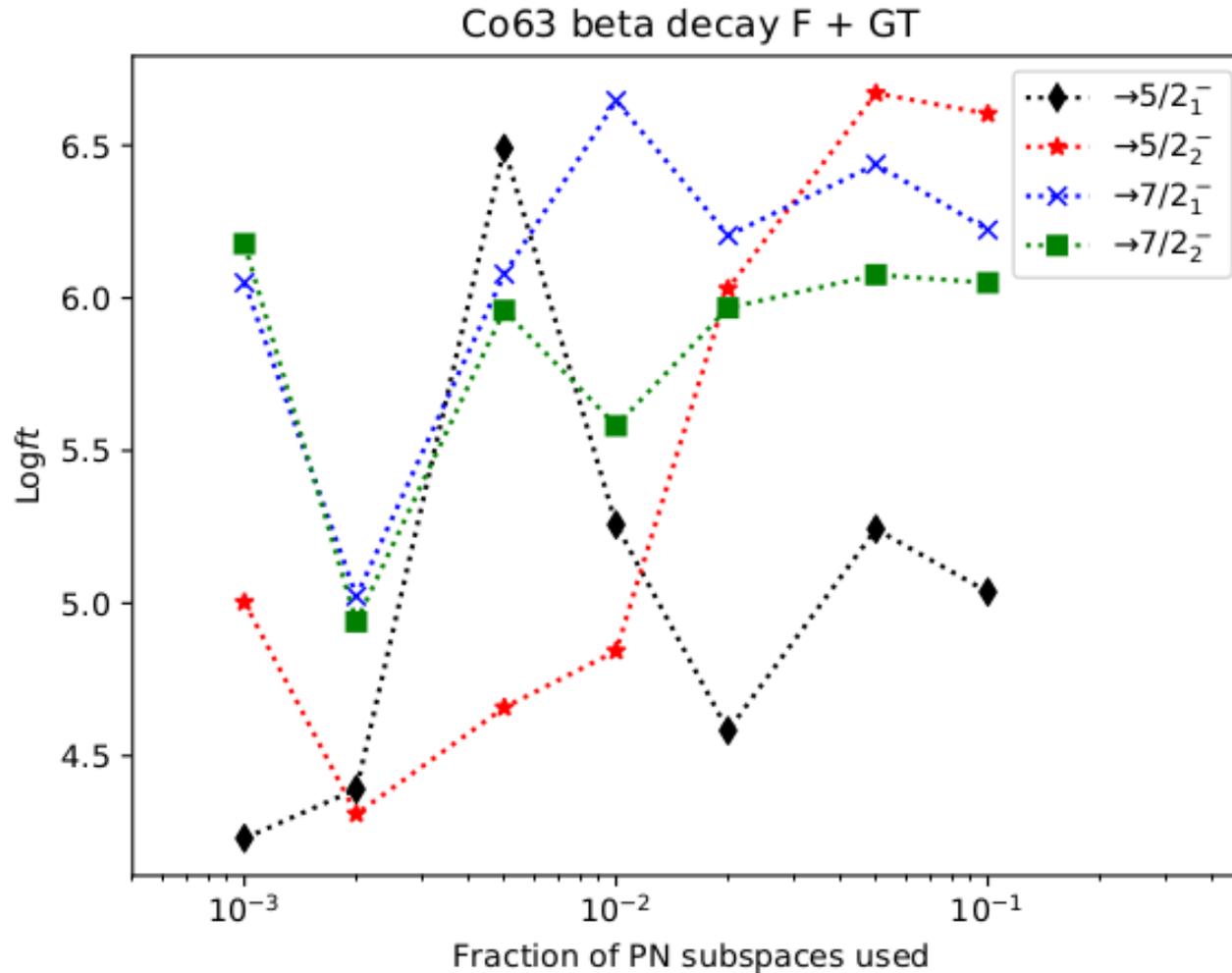


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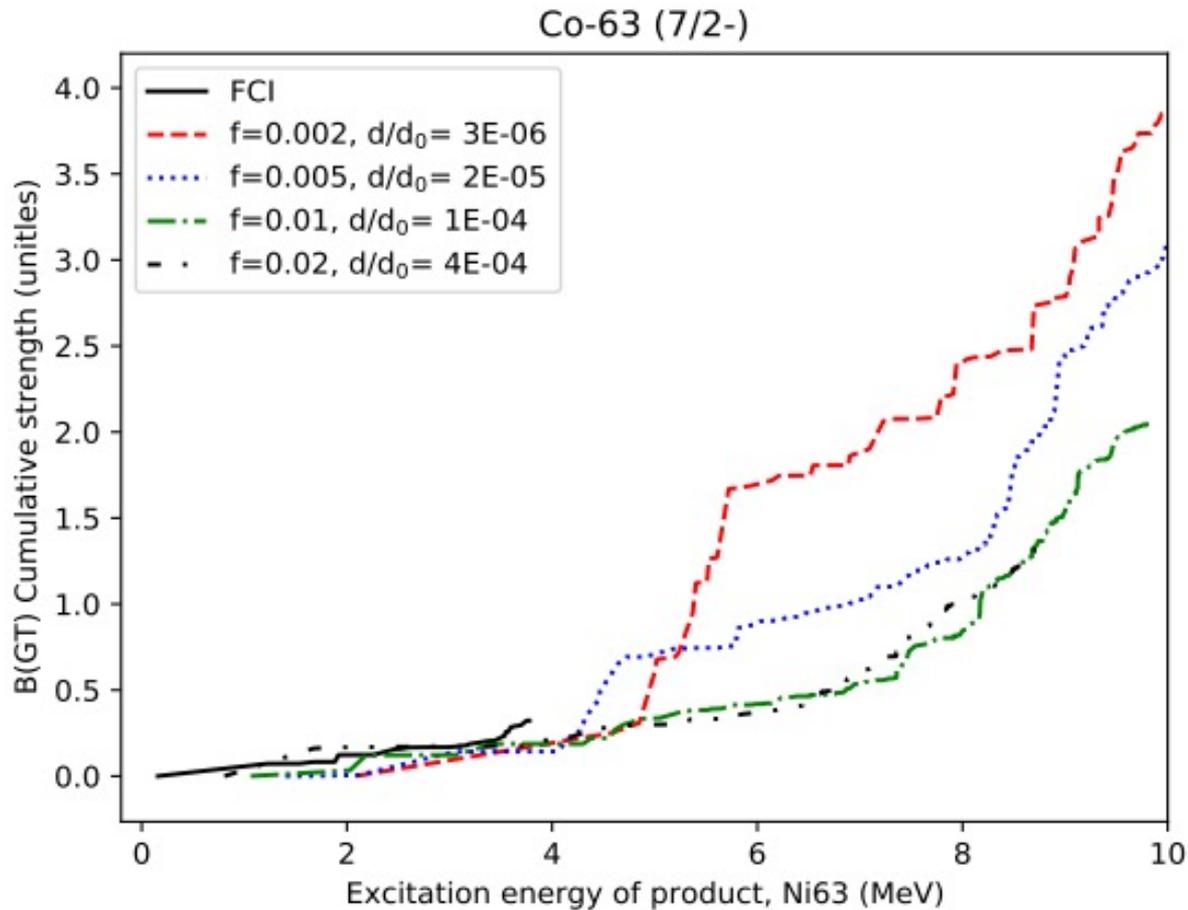
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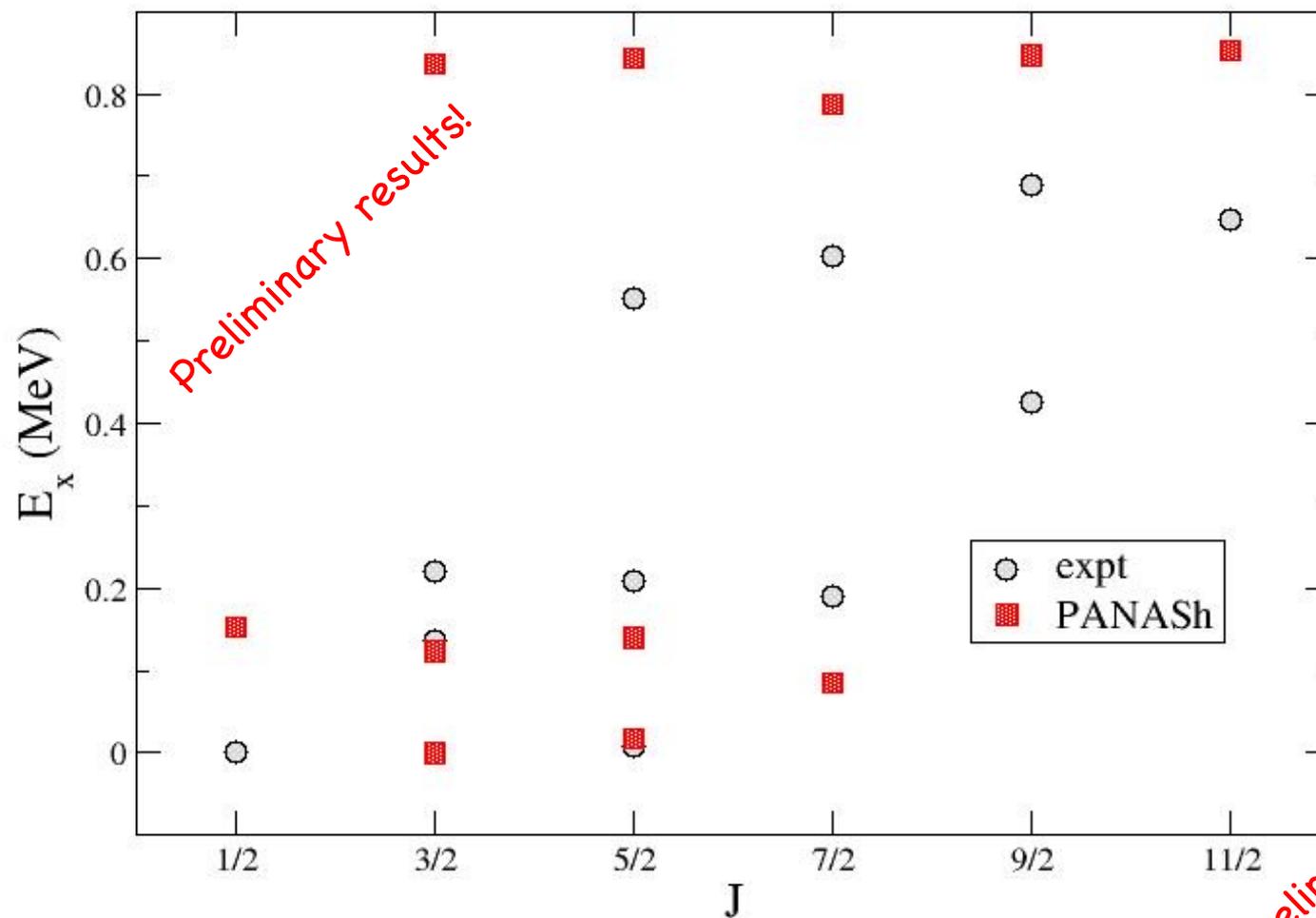


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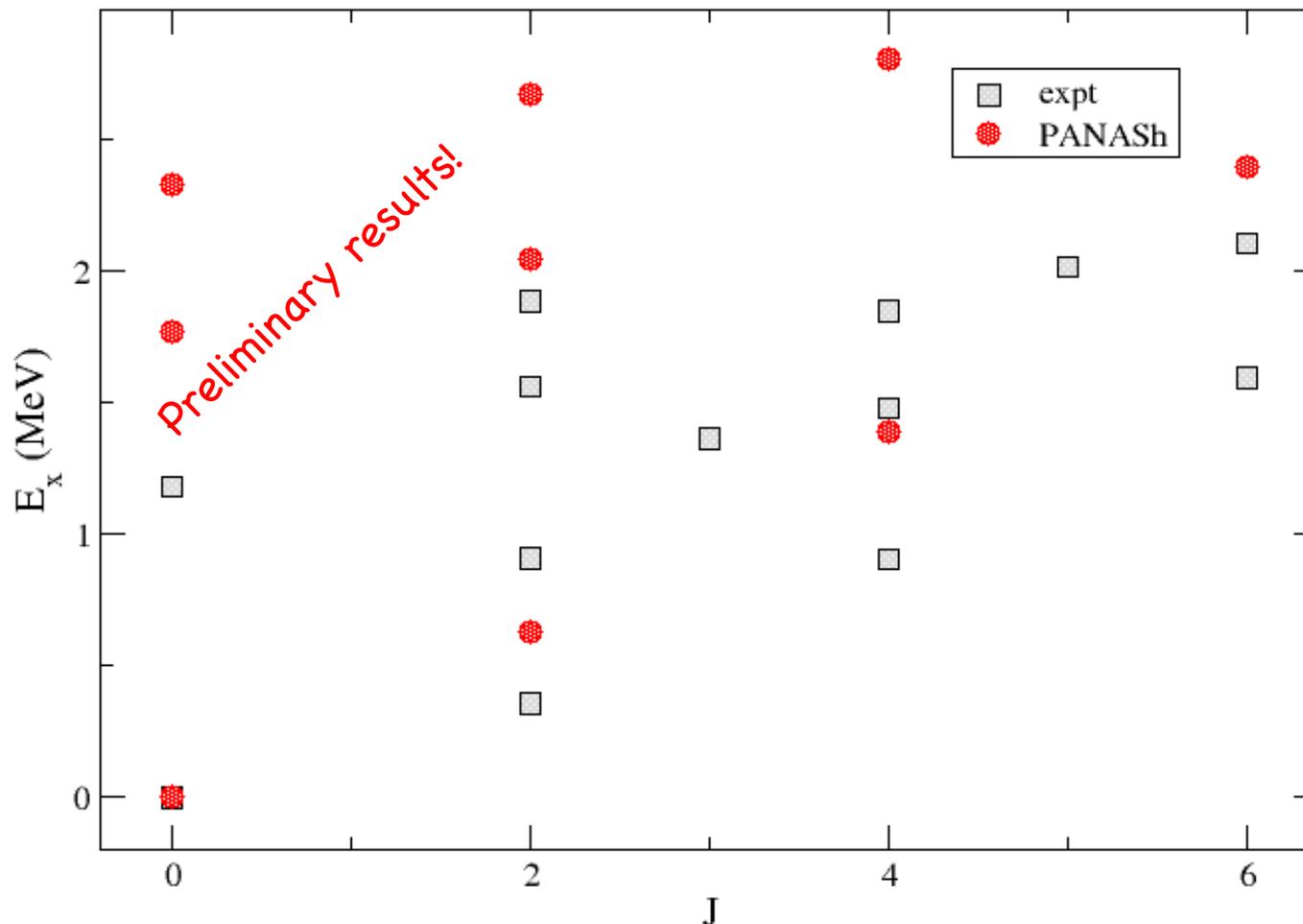
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Preliminary results!



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full space dimension: 200 billion!



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Moving forward



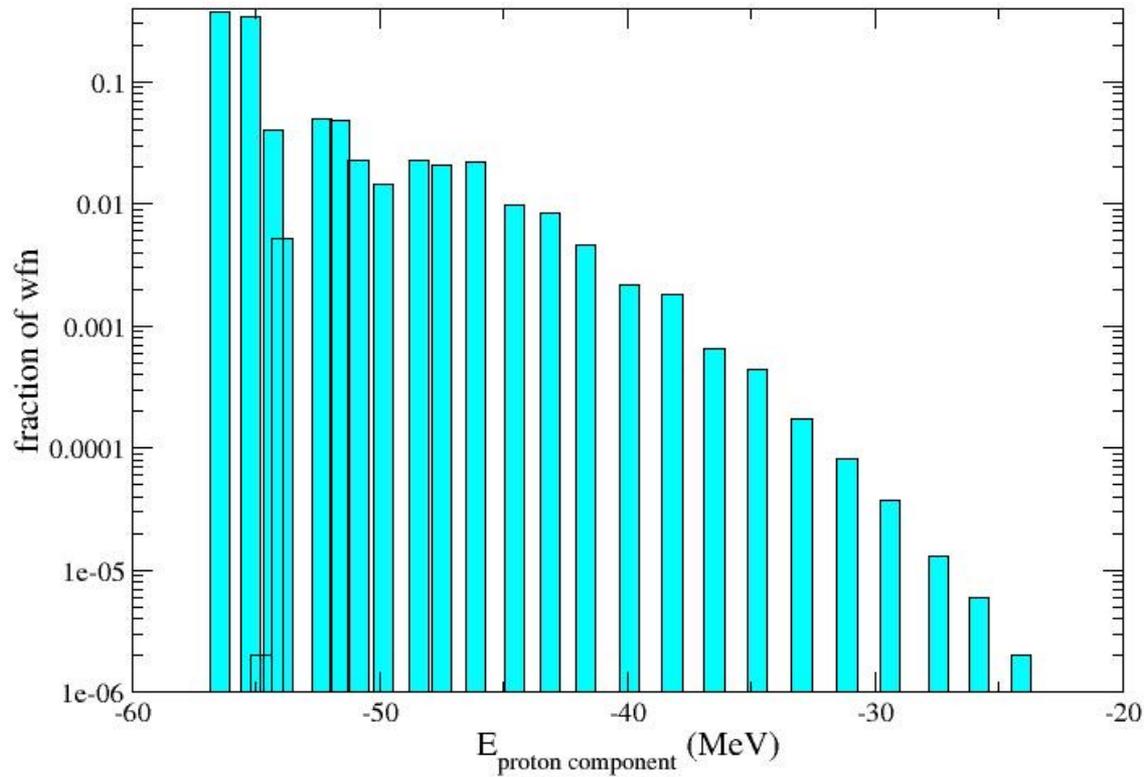
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We (mostly Oliver Gorton) are working to further improve parallelization, to speed-up applications.



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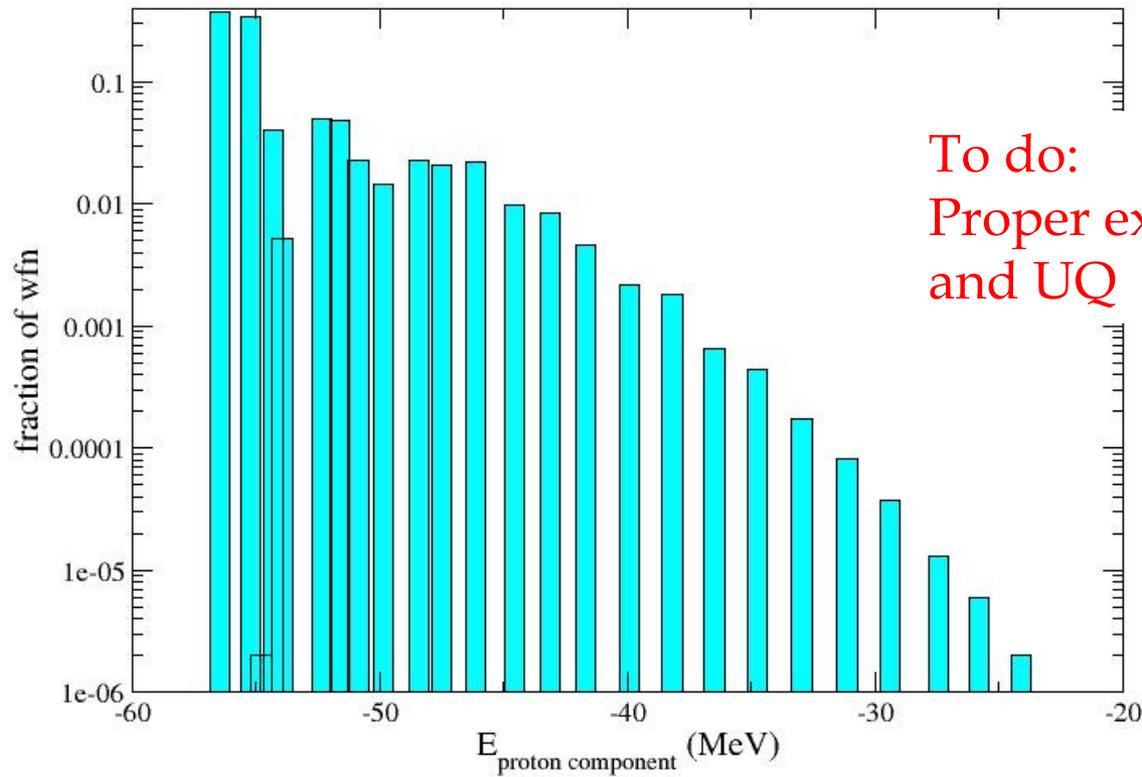
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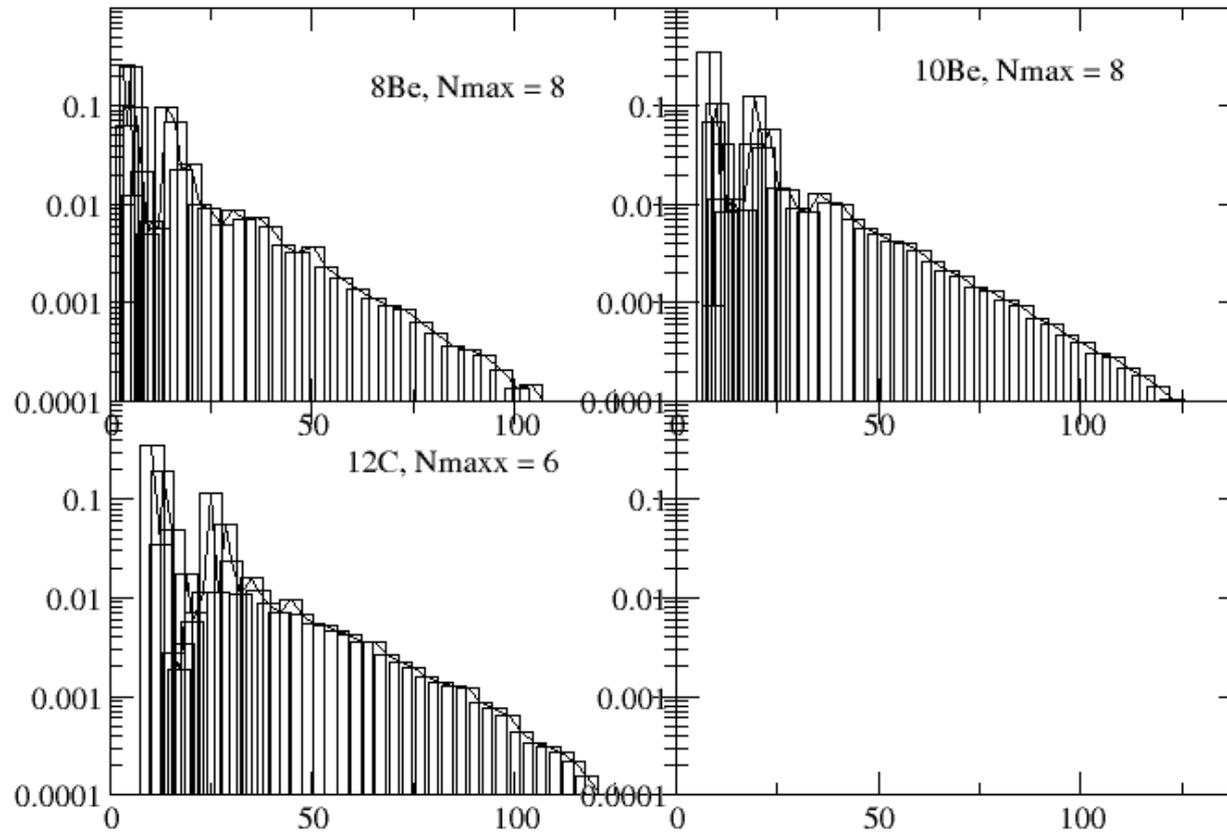
To do:
Proper extrapolation
and UQ

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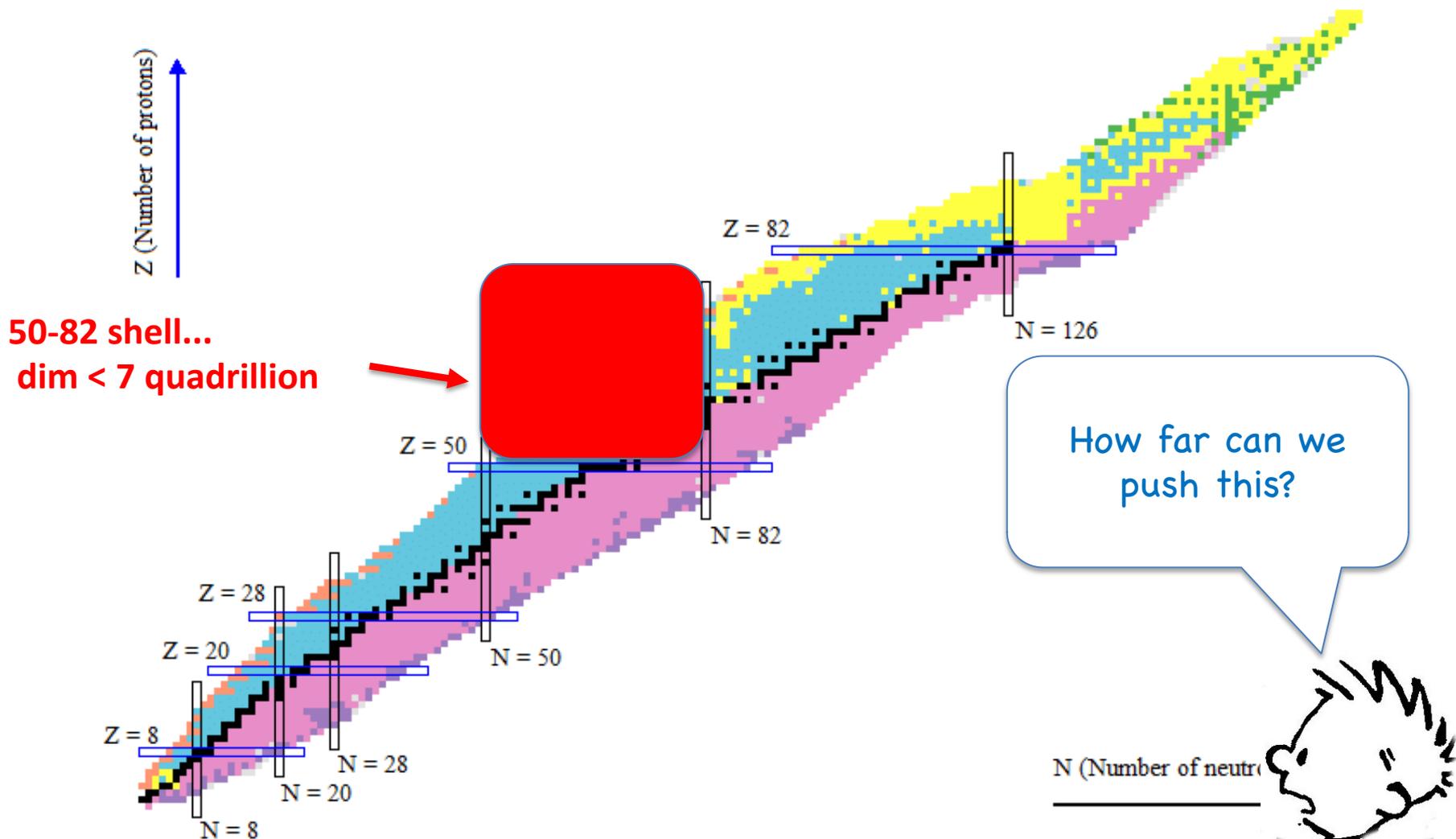
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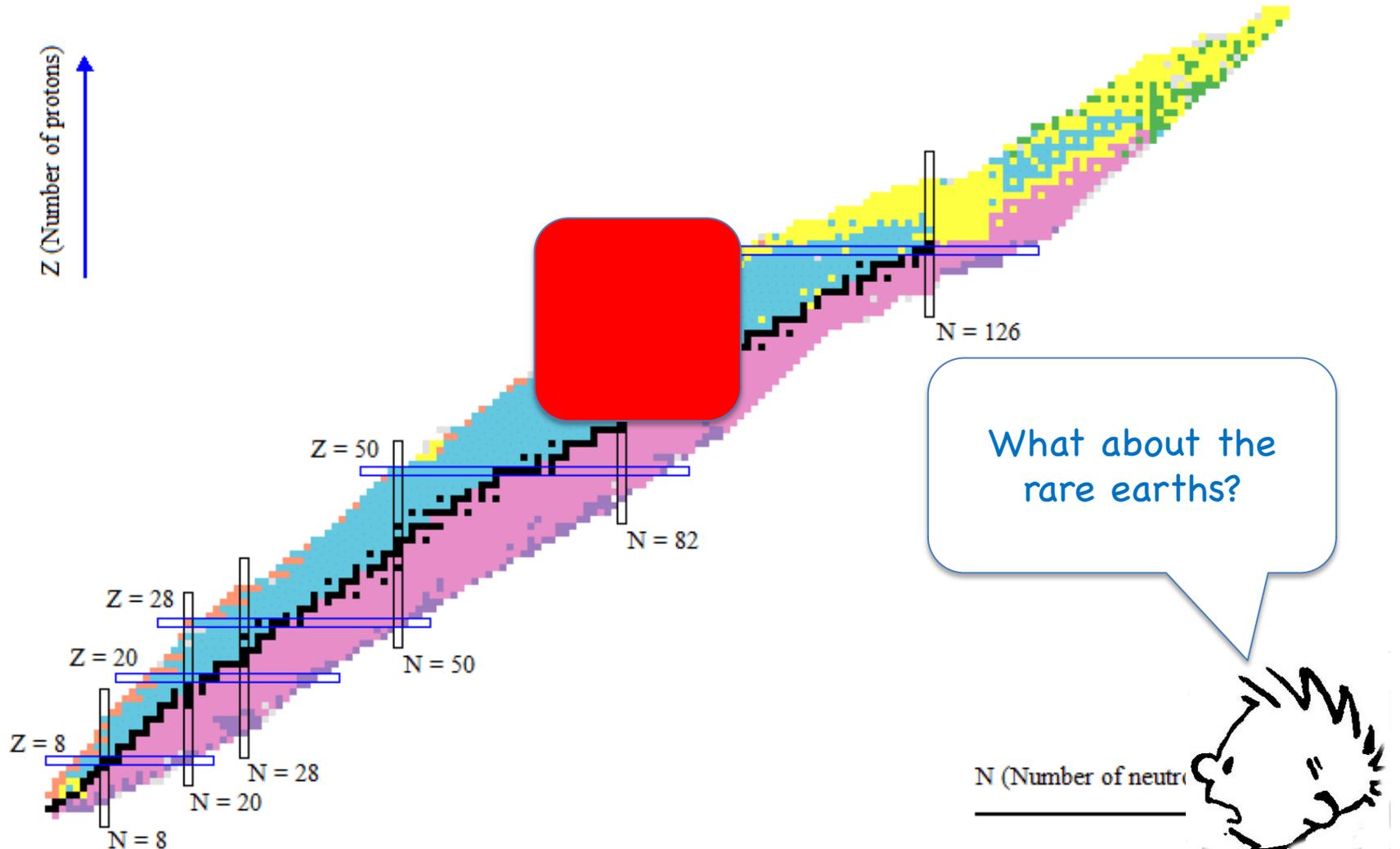


Back to the chart of the nuclides...



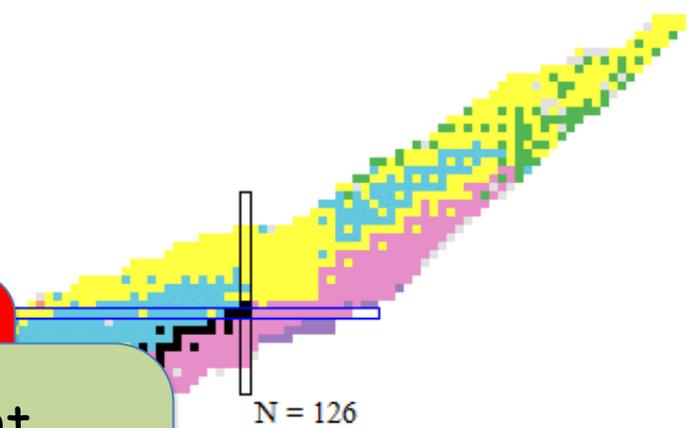
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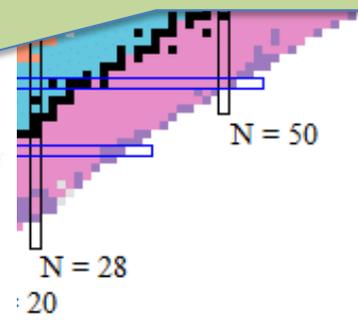
Z (Number of protons)



N = 126

The rare earths are an excellent challenge for many-body methods, as they exemplify collectivity and cross shell boundaries

What about the rare earths?



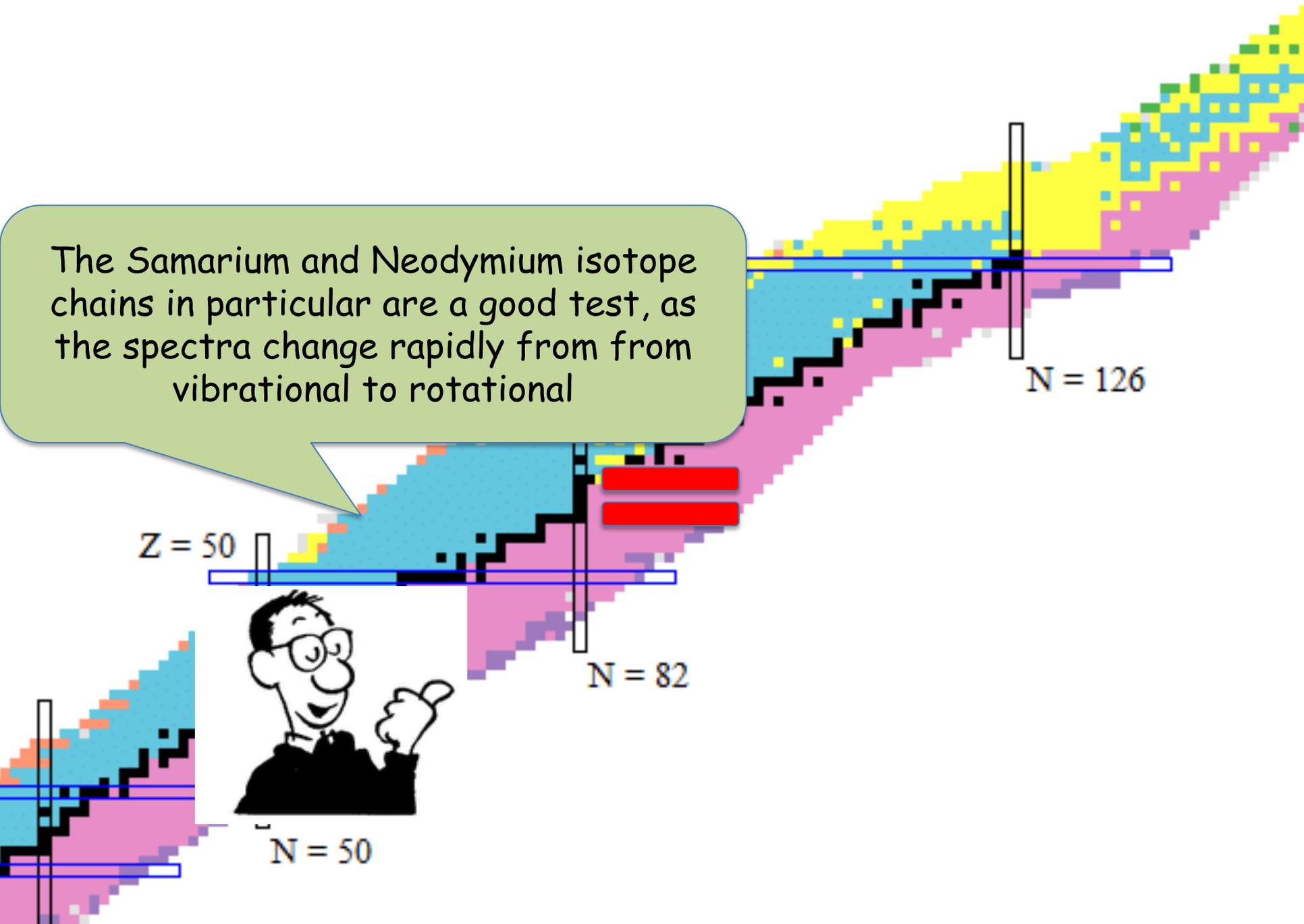
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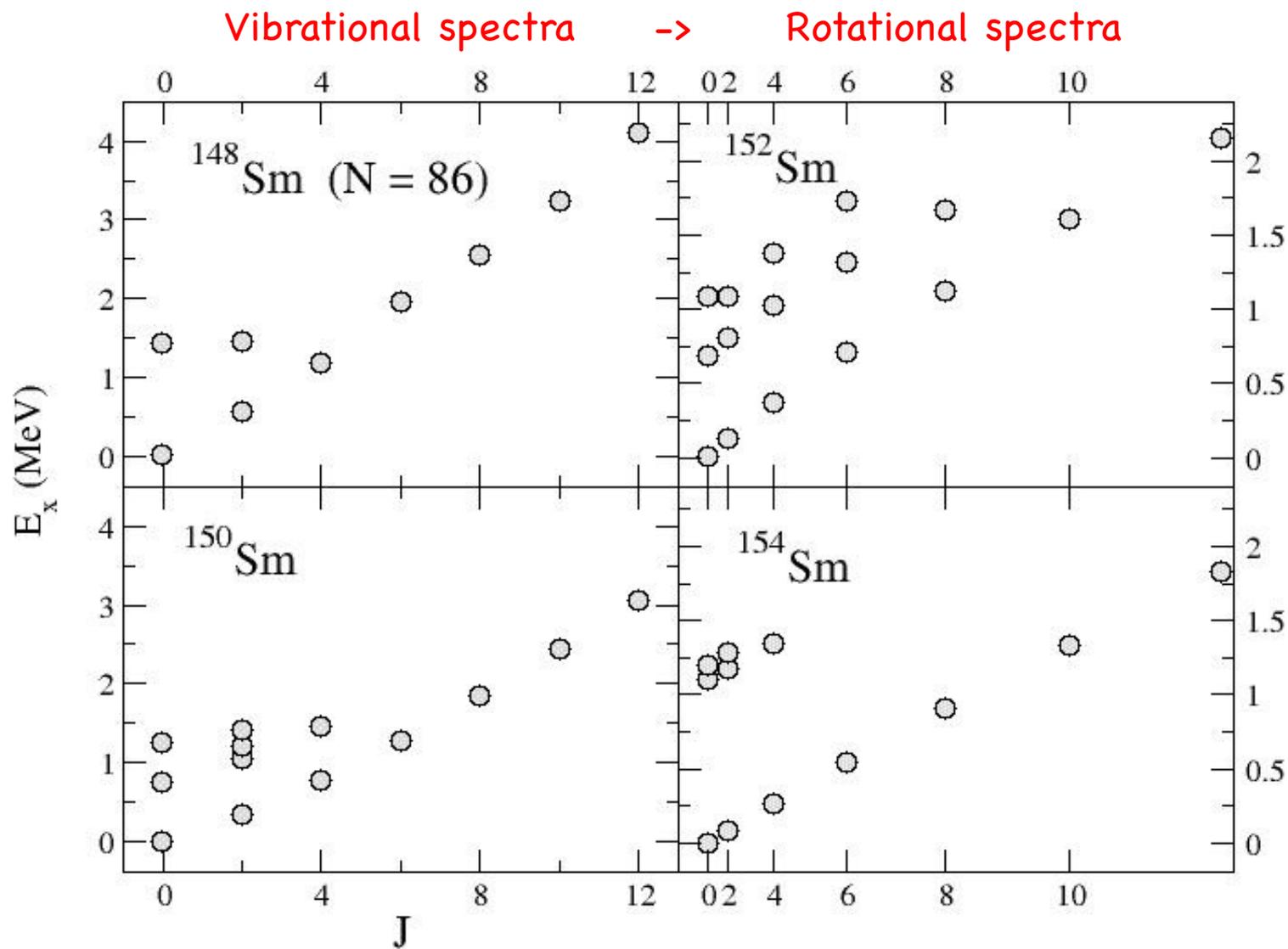
N = 50



N (Number of neutrons)

The Samarium and Neodymium isotope chains in particular are a good test, as the spectra change rapidly from from vibrational to rotational







I use an interaction from Gilbreath et al, PRC **97**, 014315 (2018), which uses the ‘Shell-model Monte Carlo’ to investigate changes in deformation. The SMMC can handle huge spaces, but

- is better for thermal properties rather than individual energies
- requires a ‘sign-problem-free’ multipole-multipole + pairing force

I can use a more general force, but this force is *approximately* correct for this mass region (but not guaranteed to fully reproduce the spectra...)





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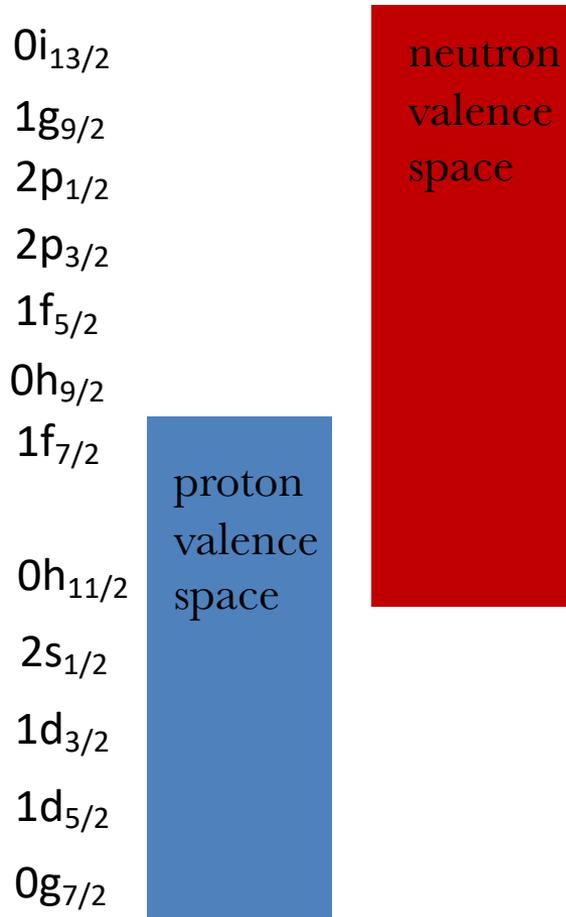
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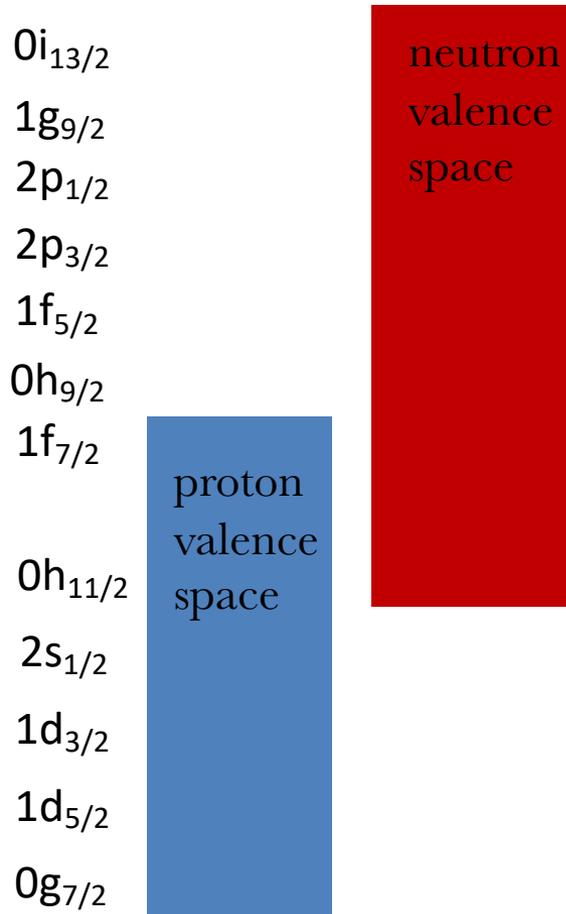


Single-particle orbits





Single-particle orbits



But for naïve application of PANASh,
this space is a little too large!

^{148}Sm :

12 valence protons, dim = 150M
16 valence neutrons, dim = 800M (est)

*Note: BIGSTICK code less efficient
for single-species calculations*



What about other approaches?

-- projected generator coordinate – cf B. Bally’s talk Wed afternoon

(projected Hartree-Fock isn’t a bad starting point:

Lauber, Frye, and Johnson, J. Phys. G. **48**, 095107 (2021).)

Could also do an energy truncation on the basis:

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There's still lots of room to improve the
configuration-interaction shell model!

