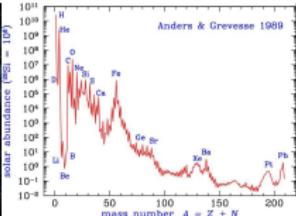
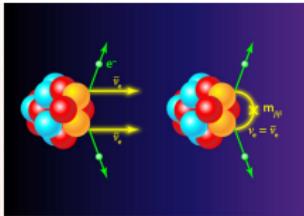
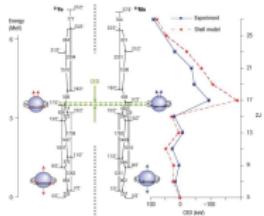


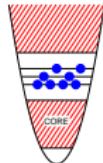
# CI methods for nuclear structure and reactions

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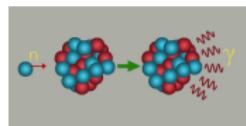
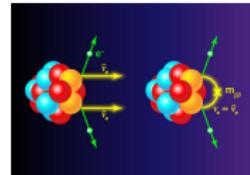
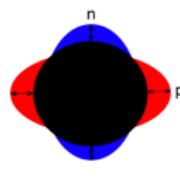
# CI calculations: broad spectrum of applications



- define effective interaction
- $\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} \Psi_{\text{eff}} = E \Psi_{\text{eff}}$
- build and diagonalize energy matrix

## ■ Nuclear forces and nuclear structure

- Shell evolution: from stability to dripline
- Isospin symmetry breaking
- Emergence of quadrupole collectivity, superdeformation
- Vibrational modes
- Dipole resonances
- Symmetries



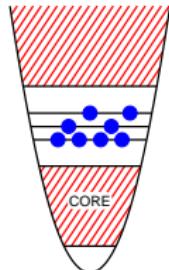
## ■ Weak processes

- $\beta$  decay  $\iff$  fundamental interactions
- $\beta\beta$  decay  $\iff$  nucleosynthesis
- $e$  capture  $\iff$  nature of neutrino
- $e$  capture  $\iff$  supernovae

## ■ Particle capture reactions

- Neutron-capture rates  $\iff$  r-process
- Proton-capture rates  $\iff$  rp-process
- -  $\iff$  novae

# CI (LSSM) calculations: giant computations



$$H_{\text{eff}}|\Psi_{\text{eff}}\rangle = E|\Psi_{\text{eff}}\rangle$$

$$|\Psi_{\text{eff}}\rangle = \sum_{ph} C_{ph} |\Phi_{ph}\rangle$$

$$|\Phi_{ph}\rangle = \phi_{\alpha_1}(\vec{r}_1)\phi_{\alpha_2}(\vec{r}_2)\dots\phi_{\alpha_n}(\vec{r}_n)$$

$$E = \sum_{pp'h'h'} C_{p'h'}^* \langle \Phi_{p'h'} | H_{\text{eff}} | \Phi_{ph} \rangle C_{ph}$$

- Exponential growth of basis dimensions:  $D \sim \left( \frac{d_\pi}{p} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{d_\nu}{n} \right)$

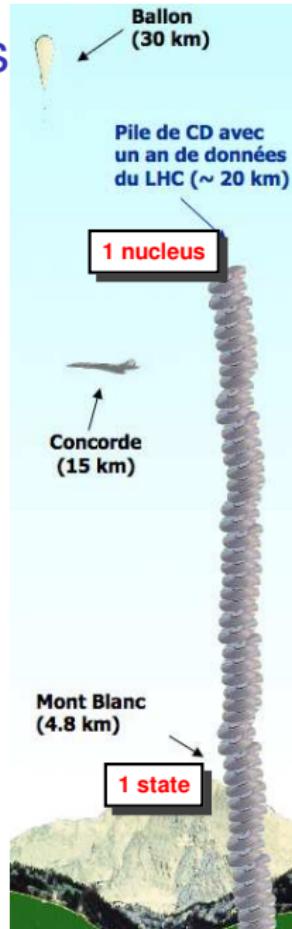
In  $pf$  shell :

$^{56}\text{Ni}$  **1,087,455,228**

In  $pf-sdg$  space :

$^{78}\text{Ni}$  **210,046,691,518**

- Actual limits in giant diagonalizations: **0.2  $10^{12}$**  ( $^{114}\text{Sn}$ )
- Largest matrices up to now:  $\sim 10^{14}$  non-zero matrix elements
- More than 1,000,000 CD-ROM's to store a single matrix !
- Can not be stored on hard disk: computed on the fly
- Strasbourg LSSM codes: **ANTOINE** and **NATHAN**



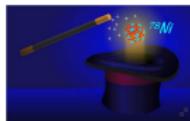
# Structure and decay of exotic nuclei

Nowadays, LSSM calculations in extended model spaces comprising a few oscillator shells  
 ■ shell structure evolution and sudden onset of deformation in very neutron-rich nuclei

Accurate description and deep insight into nuclear structure

■ pave the way for ab-initio methods

- Construction of fully microscopic interactions for valence-space calculations (Okubo-Lee-Suzuki transformation) as a path towards regions where no experimental data available
- Development of numerical techniques and state-of-the-art computations
- Search for additional guidelines and shortcuts using symmetry based approaches



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Shape Coexistence in  $^{78}\text{Ni}$  as the Portal to the Fifth Island of Inversion

F. Nowacki, A. Poves, E. Caurier, and B. Bougriou  
*Phys. Rev. Lett.* **117**, 272501 (2016) – Published 27 December 2016

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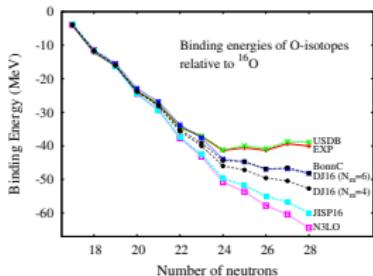
Binding Energy of  $^{79}\text{Cu}$ : Probing the Structure of the Doubly Magic  $^{78}\text{Ni}$  from Only One Proton Away

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## Effective interactions in the $sd$ shell

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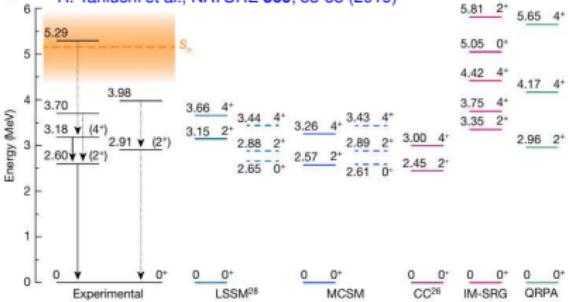


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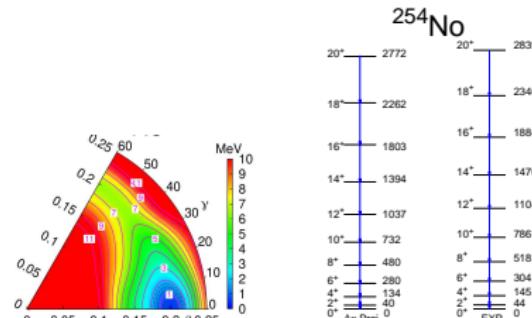


# BSM: New opportunities for nuclear structure studies

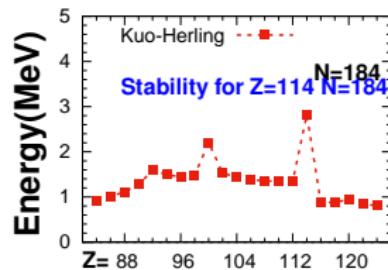
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Application to studies of:

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- $N=Z$  nuclei
- Heavy and superheavy nuclei
- $\beta\beta$  decay
- r-process nucleosynthesis



- Technical aspects with Taurus/DFSM codes
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- Ab-initio interactions



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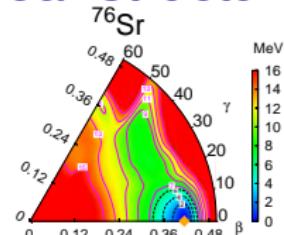
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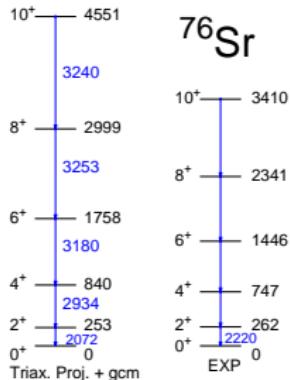
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Triax. proj. + GCM:  
Strongly deformed 8p8h structure



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# Isospin symmetry breaking

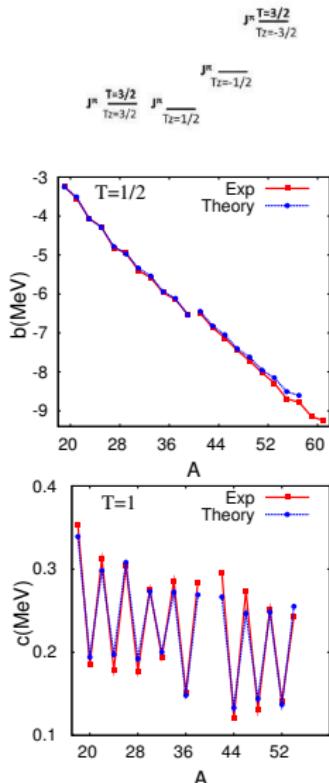
$$M(\alpha, T) = a(\alpha, T) + b(\alpha, T)T_Z + c(\alpha, T)T_Z^2$$

Accurate description of isospin violation and associated phenomena through development of Isospin Non Conserving hamiltonians in extended valence spaces:

$(sd)$ ,  $(pf)$ ,  $(s_{1/2}d_{3/2}f_{7/2}p_{3/2})$  and beyond

$\beta - p$  and  $\beta - p\gamma$  decay studies and extraction of isospin mixing in the IAS

- Development of Isospin Non Conserving hamiltonians in the  $(sd - pf)$  valence space and numerous applications
- Improvement of MED and TED description within a band
- Interpretation for  $b$  and  $c$  coefficients staggering
- Support to forthcoming experimental studies



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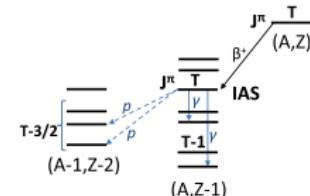
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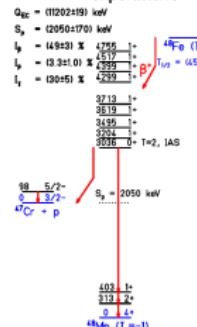
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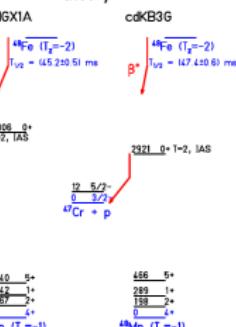
ISOSPIN MIXING FROM  $\beta$ -DELAYED PROTON EMISSION

experiment



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theory



$$^{48}\text{Mn}: S_{\text{exp}} = 2.7(9) \cdot 10^{-3}, \alpha_{\text{exp}} = 1.4(5)\%$$

# $0^+ \rightarrow 0^+$ $\beta$ -decay: a test of fundamental interactions

Large scale calculations for all emitters below A  $\leq 40$  including nuclei in the vicinity of  $^{40}\text{Ca}$

Use of Isospin Non Conserving hamiltonians and Woods-Saxon wave functions for untruncated  $sd$  and  $pf$  calculations

New approach of radii determination without closure approximation

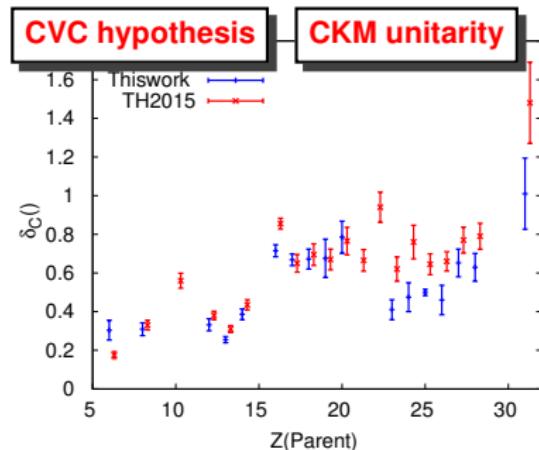
Use of new effective interactions developed in Strasbourg

- Lanczos Structure Function Method for  $\delta_C$
- New ( $sd - pf$ ) interaction
- Effective Fermi Operator
- HF wave functions
- New emitters such as  $^{58}\text{Zn}$

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$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}t &= (1 + \delta_R)(1 + \delta_{NS} - \delta_C)ft \\ &= \frac{K}{M_{F0}^2 G_F^2 |V_{ud}|^2 (1 + \Delta_R)} \end{aligned}$$



L. Xayavong, CENBG, PhD Thesis (2016)

L. Xayavong and N. Smirnova, PRC97 (2018) 024324; PROC. NTSE2018.

# $\beta\beta$ -decay and nature of neutrino

Reliable nuclear matrix elements needed to plan and fully exploit impressive experiments looking for neutrinoless double-beta decay

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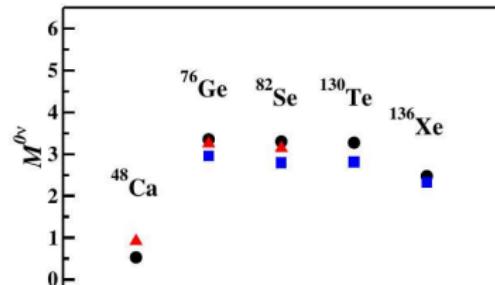
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Search for Neutrinoless Quadruple- $\beta$  Decay of  $^{150}\text{Nd}$  with the NEMO-3 Detector

R. Arnold et al. (NEMO-3 Collaboration)

Phys. Rev. Lett. **119**, 041801 (2017) - Published 24 July 2017

$$[T_{1/2}^{0\nu}(0^+ \rightarrow 0^+)]^{-1} = G_{0\nu} |M^{0\nu}|^2 \langle m_\nu^{\beta\beta} \rangle^2$$



The calculation of the neutrinoless double- $\beta$  decay matrix element within the realistic shell model

L. Coraggio,<sup>1</sup> A. Gargano,<sup>1</sup> N. Itaco,<sup>2,1</sup> R. Mancino,<sup>2,1</sup> and F. Nowacki<sup>3,4,2</sup>

☞ Talk of F. Nowacki later in this session

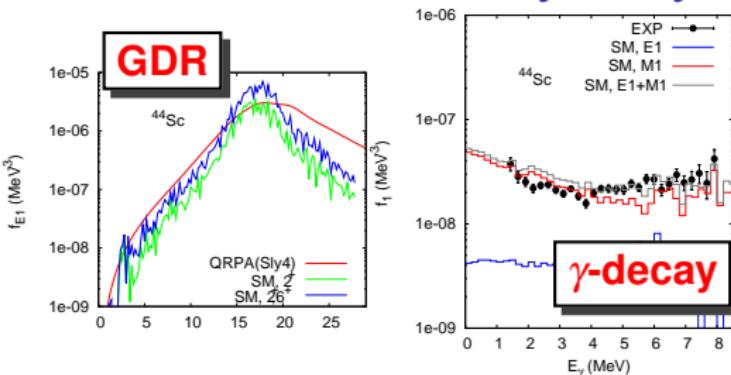
# Input for reaction codes and benchmark of many-body methods

Statistical treatment of the  $\gamma$  de-excitation strength function

- computations of thousands states and transitions needed

M1 and E1 treated on the same footing (application possible to any multipolarity)

Improved description of the radiative widths and CI-guided developments of fully-microscopic QRPA models



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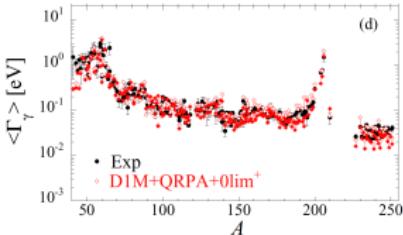
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## Electric and Magnetic Dipole Strength at Low Energy

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- Microscopic nuclear structure input for reaction codes (TALYS)
- Reliable predictions of reactions rates for nucleosynthesis

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Gamma Strength

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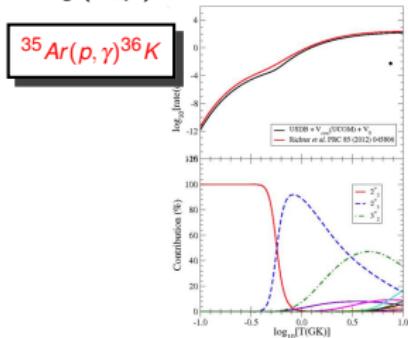
collaboration CEA-DAM and University of Brussels

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# Reaction rates and nucleosynthesis

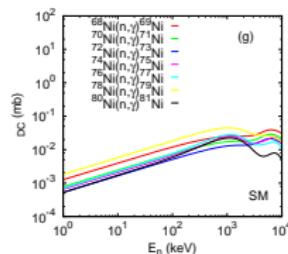
## Proton capture reaction rates for rp process (X-ray bursts) or novae

- Resonance energies (with Isospin breaking)
- Widths with respect to proton and  $\gamma$  emission
- Several reactions in the *sd* shell
- pf* shell nuclei around  $^{40}\text{Ca}$
- Thomas-Ehrman shift in *sd* shell
- $(\alpha, \gamma), (\alpha, p), (p, \alpha)$  capture/emission modeling
- $^{22}\text{Mg}(\alpha, p)^{25}\text{Al}$  and other reactions



## Neutron capture reaction rates for r-process

- CI calculations as benchmark for other methods
- Input for reaction studies: spectra, spectroscopic factors, decay widths
- Systematic evaluation of direct capture rates
- Tests of Hauser-Feshbach model in neutron-rich nuclei
- Resonant capture much more difficult to treat on the neutron-rich side



☞ Talk of M. Oertel in the afternoon session

# Summary

- High predictive power, accurate and detailed information (structure near and far from stability, nuclear and electroweak processes)
- Success and robustness of the approach encourage further developments and applications
- Simultaneous description of multiple low-energy phenomena but need of dedicated local studies
- Intense support for future experimental programs and developments (but manpower insufficient ...)
- Existing cross fertilizing collaborations in several domains: ab-initio studies, isospin symmetry breaking, astrophysics,  $\beta\beta$  decay ... and others to develop !