

Nuclear mass tables from energy density functionals

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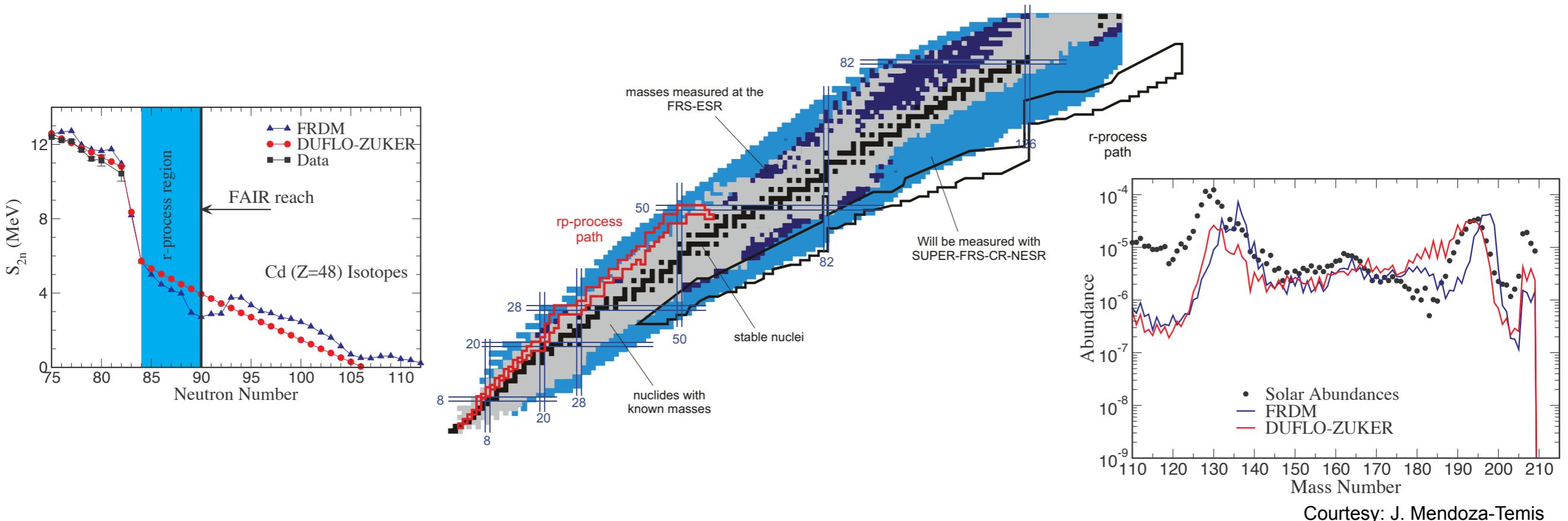
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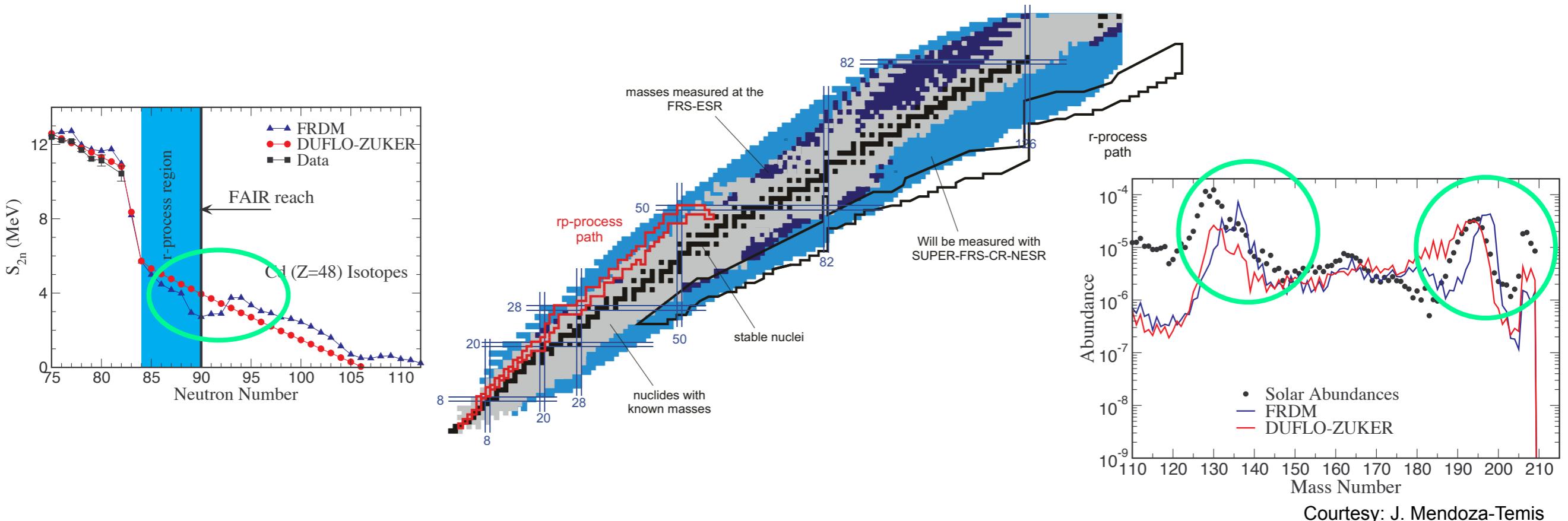
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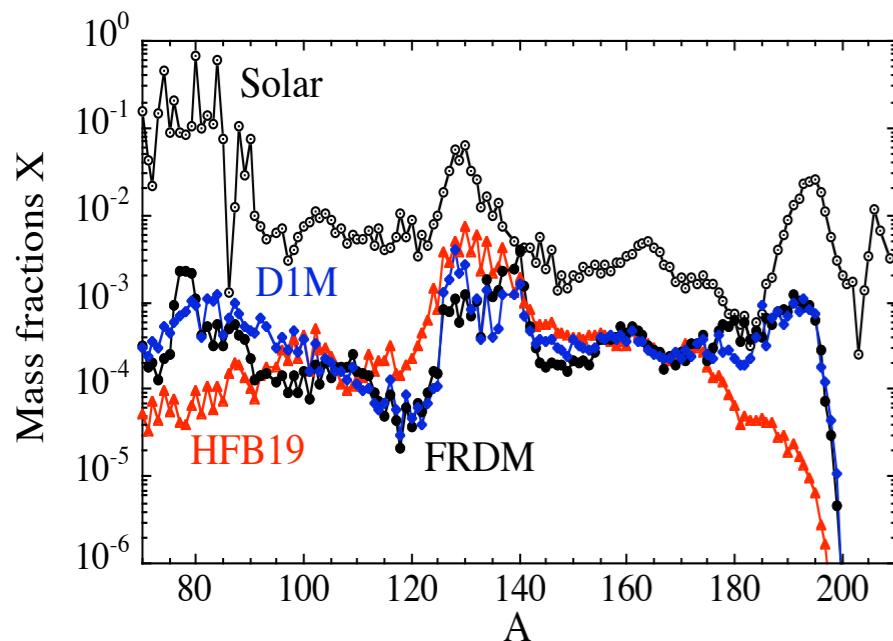
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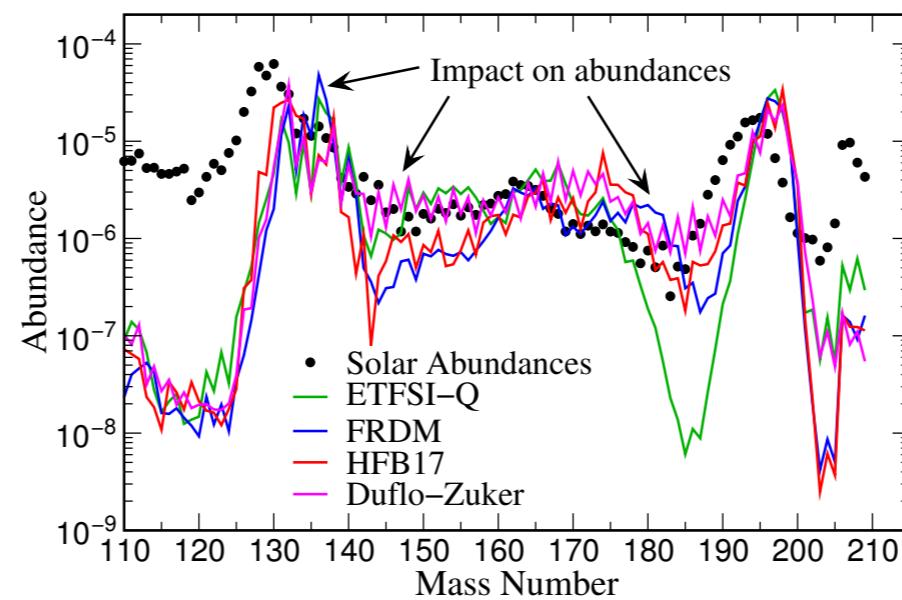


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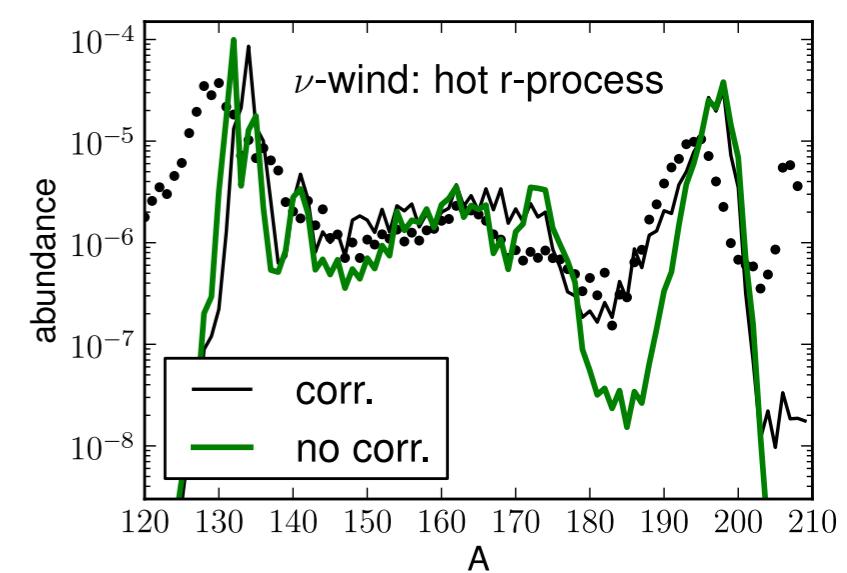
Final abundances depend on the mass model used (for the same astrophysical conditions)



Goriely et al.



Arcones and Martínez-Pinedo, PRC 83, 045809 (2011)



Arcones and Bertsch, PRL 108, 151101(2012)

Mass models



- Experimental masses where available: ~ 2149 (Audi *et al.* 2003).
- Theoretical global nuclear mass models widely used in nucleosynthesis calculations:
 - Finite Range Droplet Model (FRDM). (Möller *et. al* 1995)
 - Extended Thomas-Fermi plus Strutinsky Integral (ETFSI). (Aboussir *et al.* 1995)
 - Duflo-Zuker (DZ) functional based on Shell Model. (Duflo and Zuker 1995)
 - Self-consistent mean field models based on Hartree-Fock-Bogoliubov approximations:
 - ▶ Skyrme HFB-* (Goriely *et al* 2009)
 - ▶ Gogny DIM (Goriely *et al.* 2009)
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Typical r.m.s. deviation from the experimental data ~ 0.6 MeV

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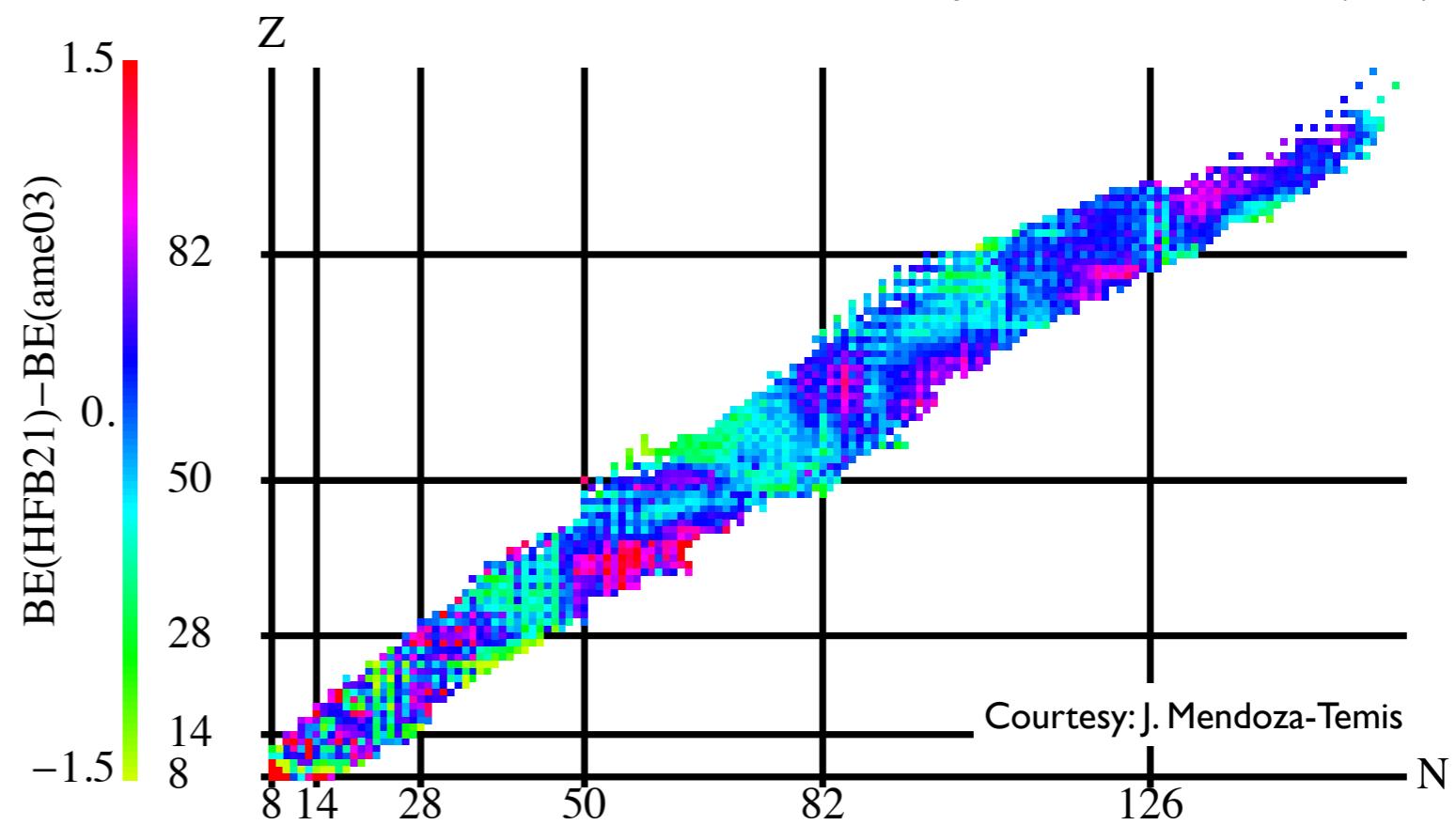
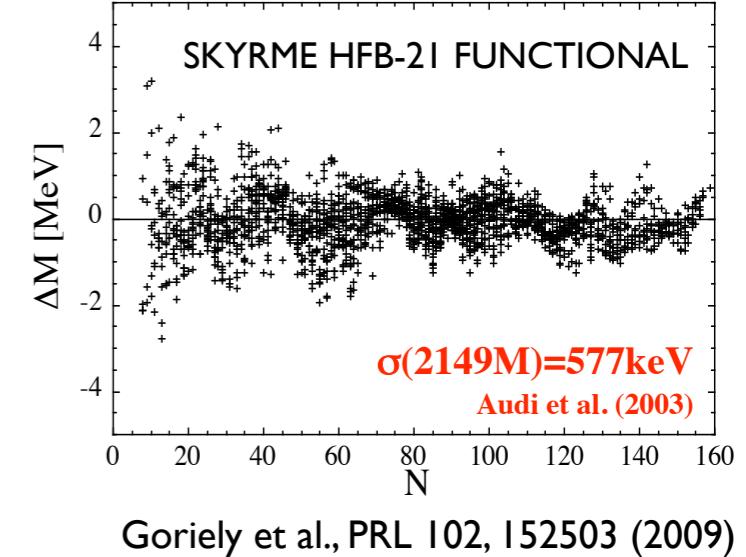
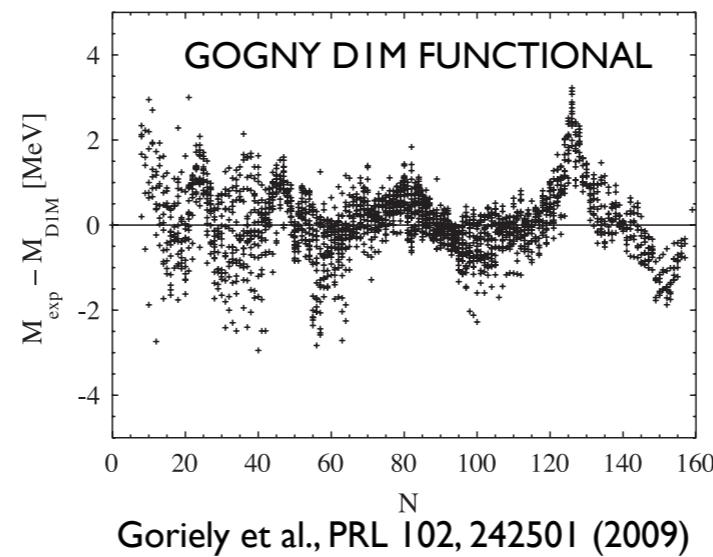
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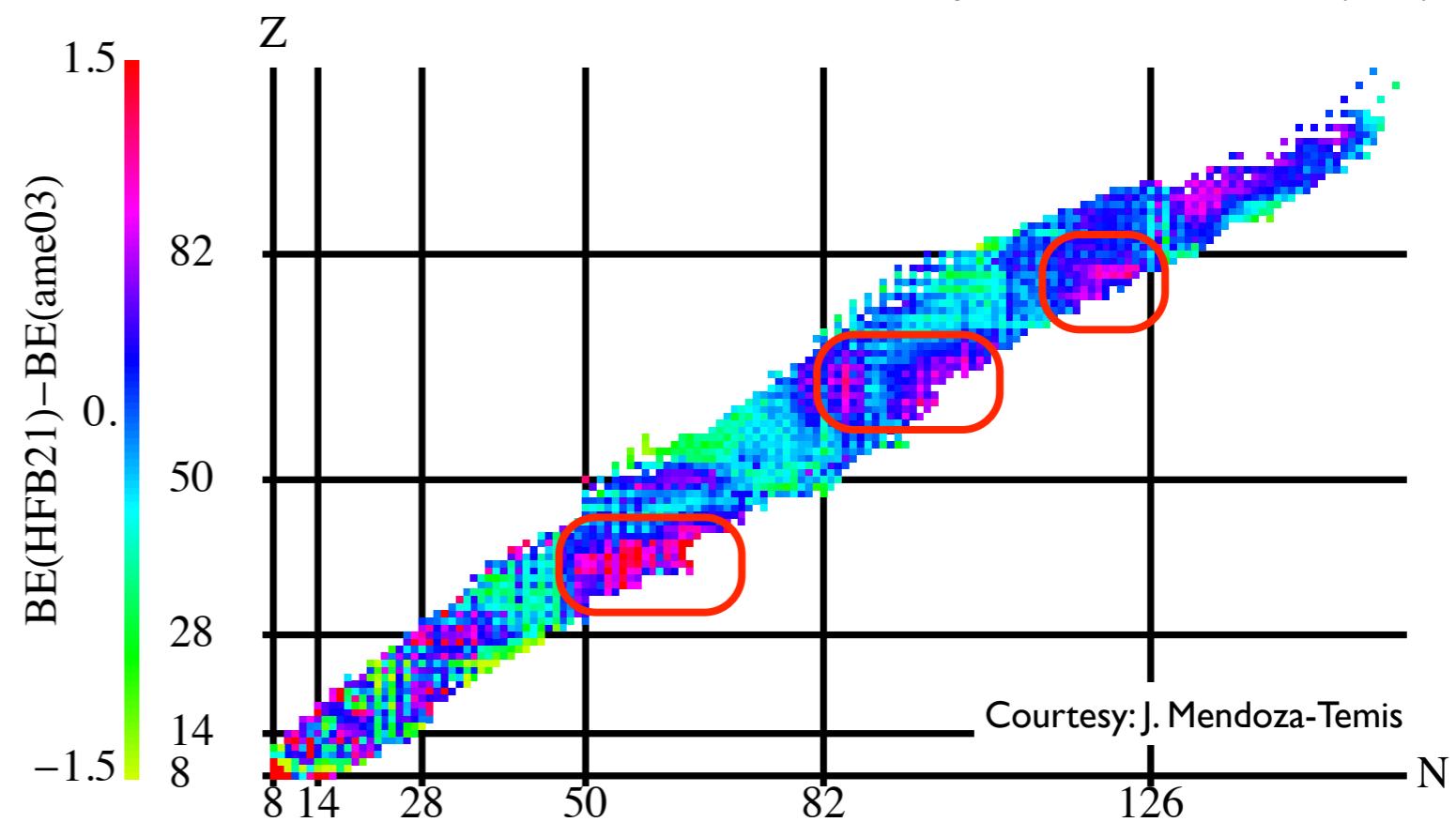
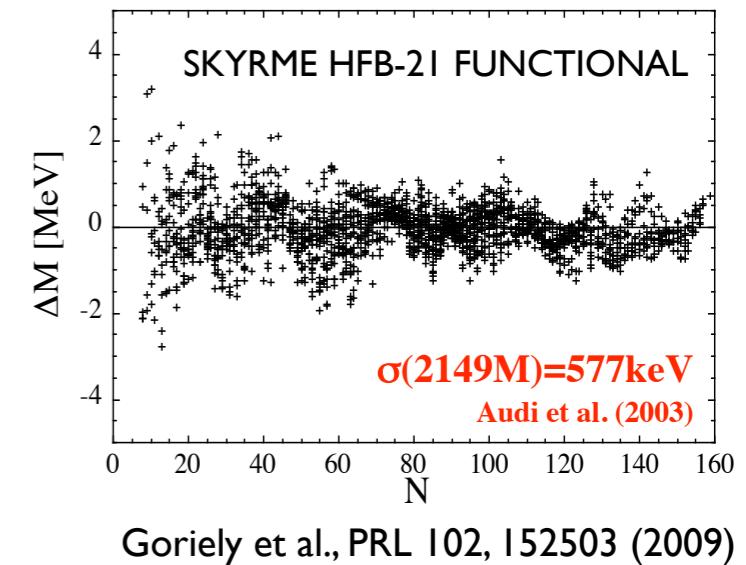
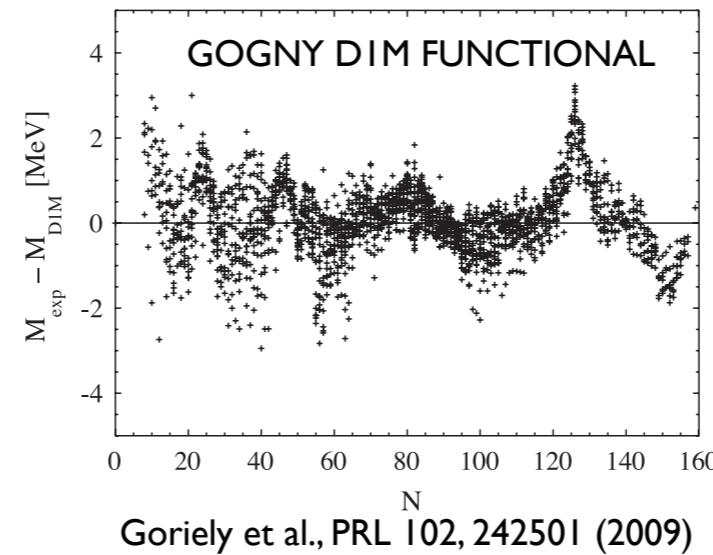
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→ Parameters of the effective interaction are fitted to reproduce experimental data solving the many-body problem at certain level of approximation (mean field normally).

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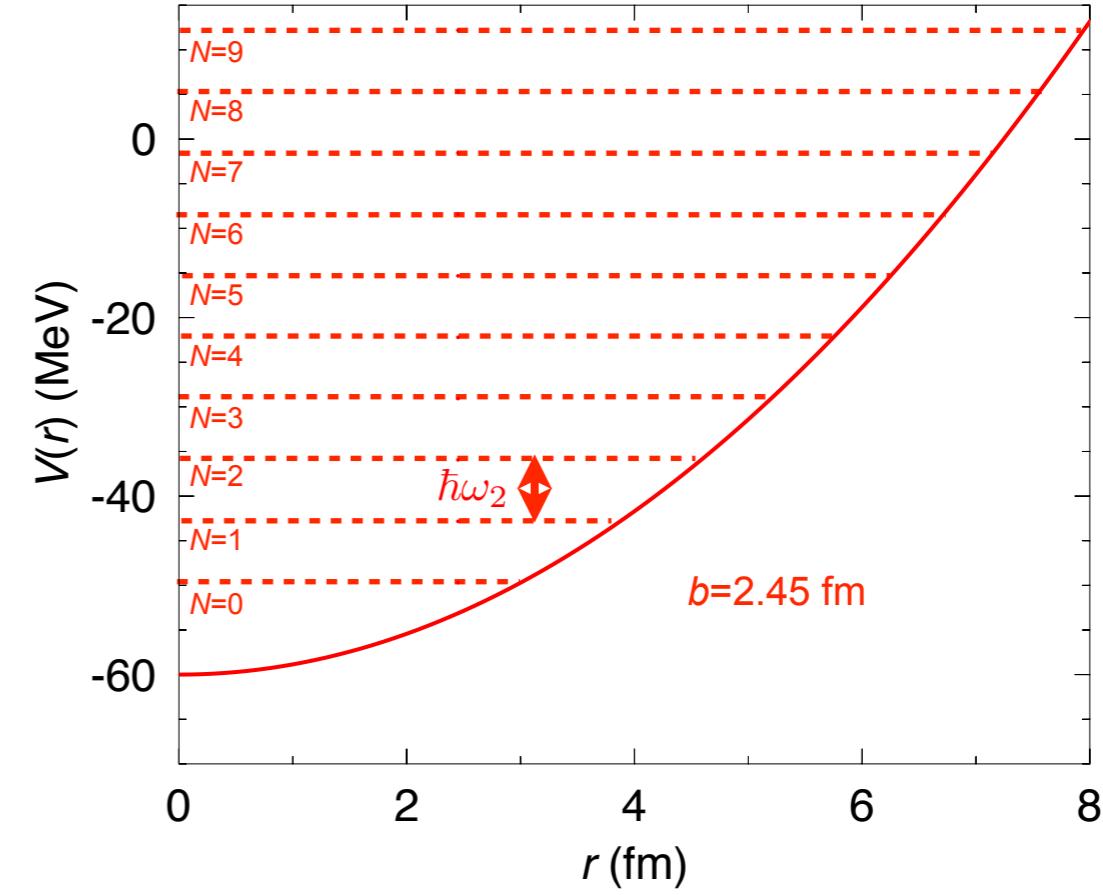
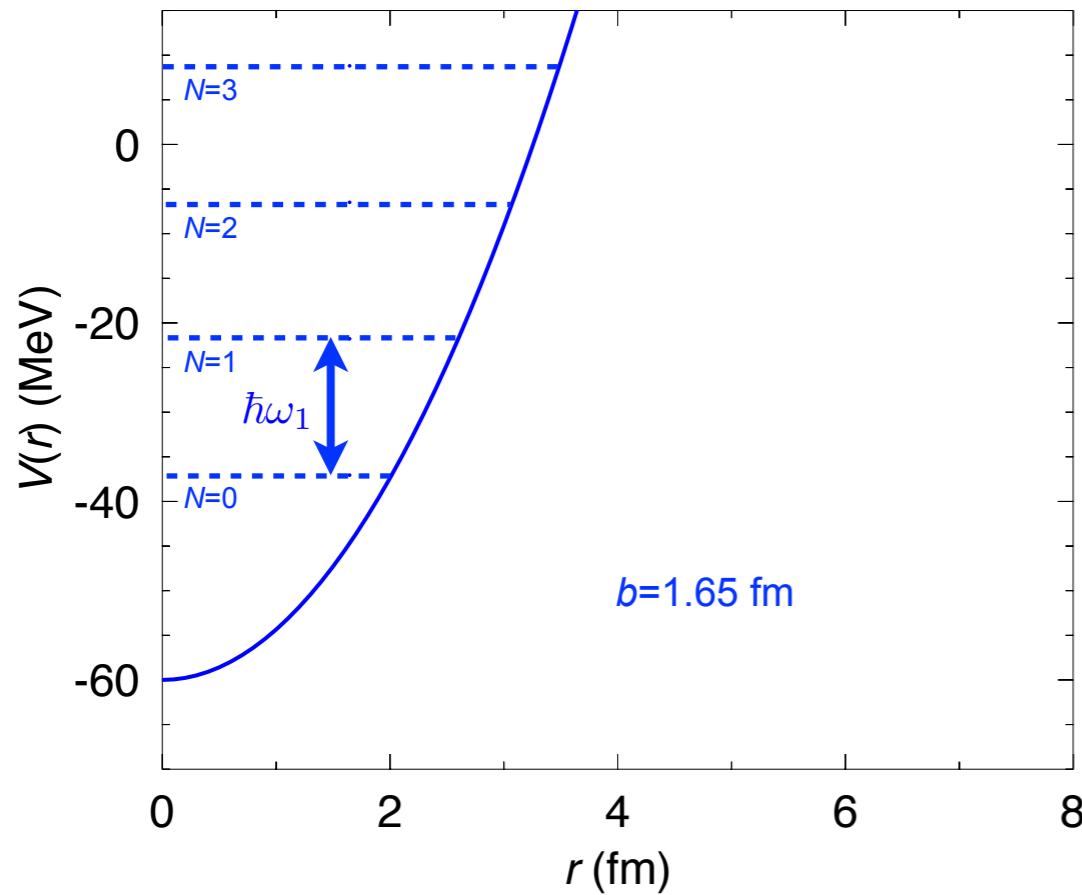
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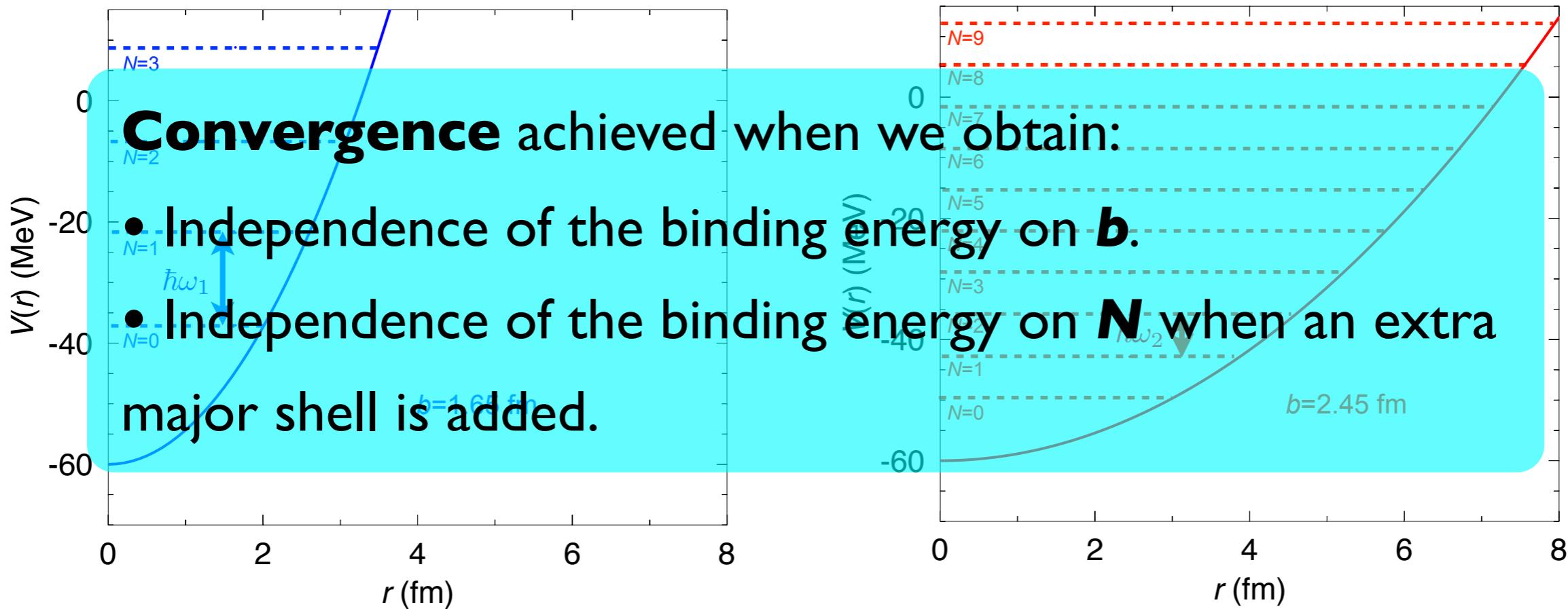
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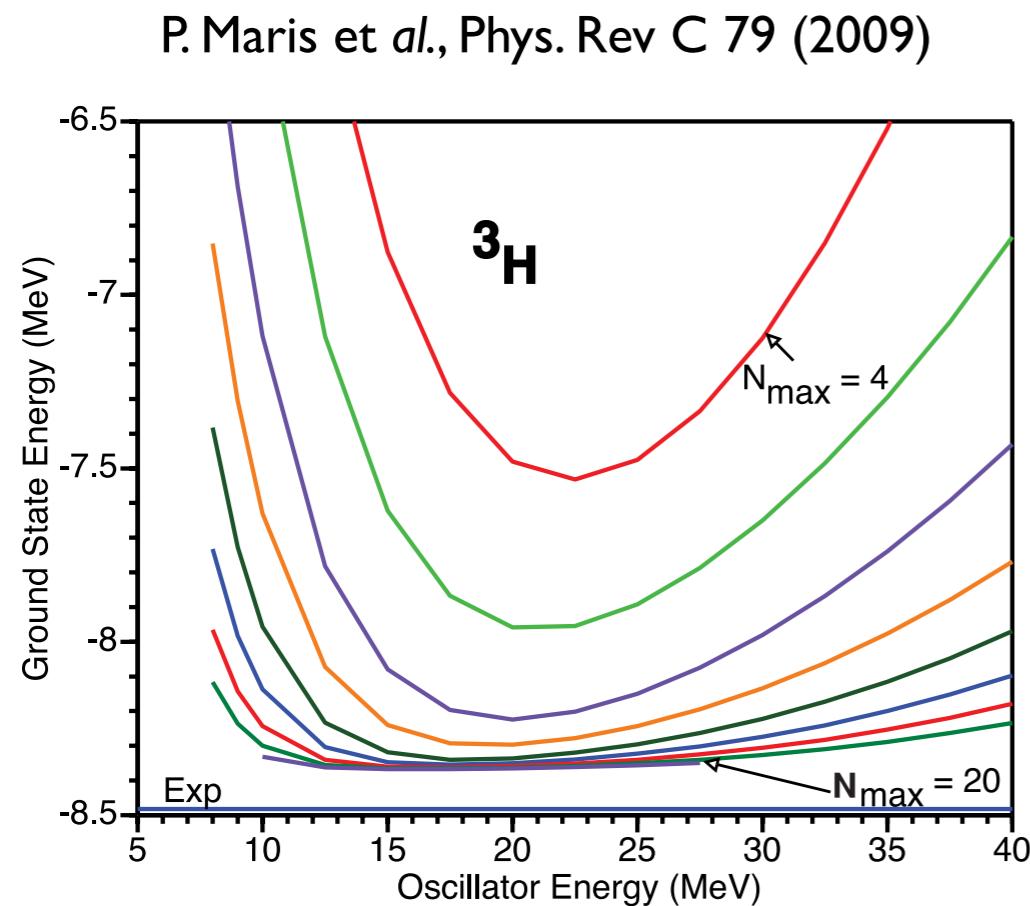


FIG. 10. (Color online) Calculated ground-state energy of ^3H as a function of the oscillator energy, $\hbar\Omega$, for selected values of N_{\max} . The curve closest to experiment corresponds to the value $N_{\max} = 20$ and successively higher curves are obtained with N_{\max} decreased by two units for each curve.

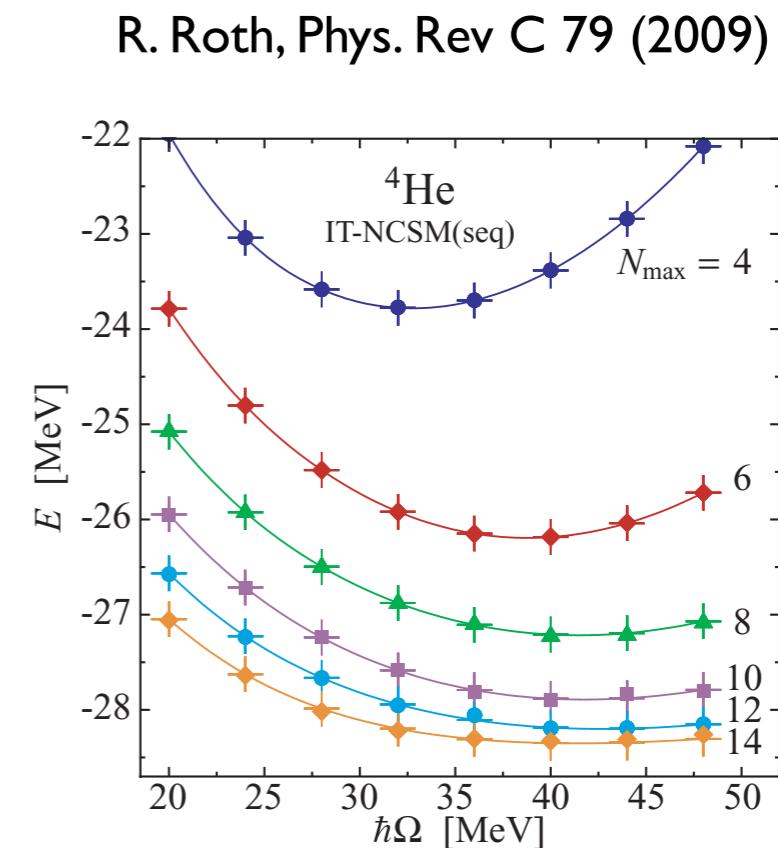


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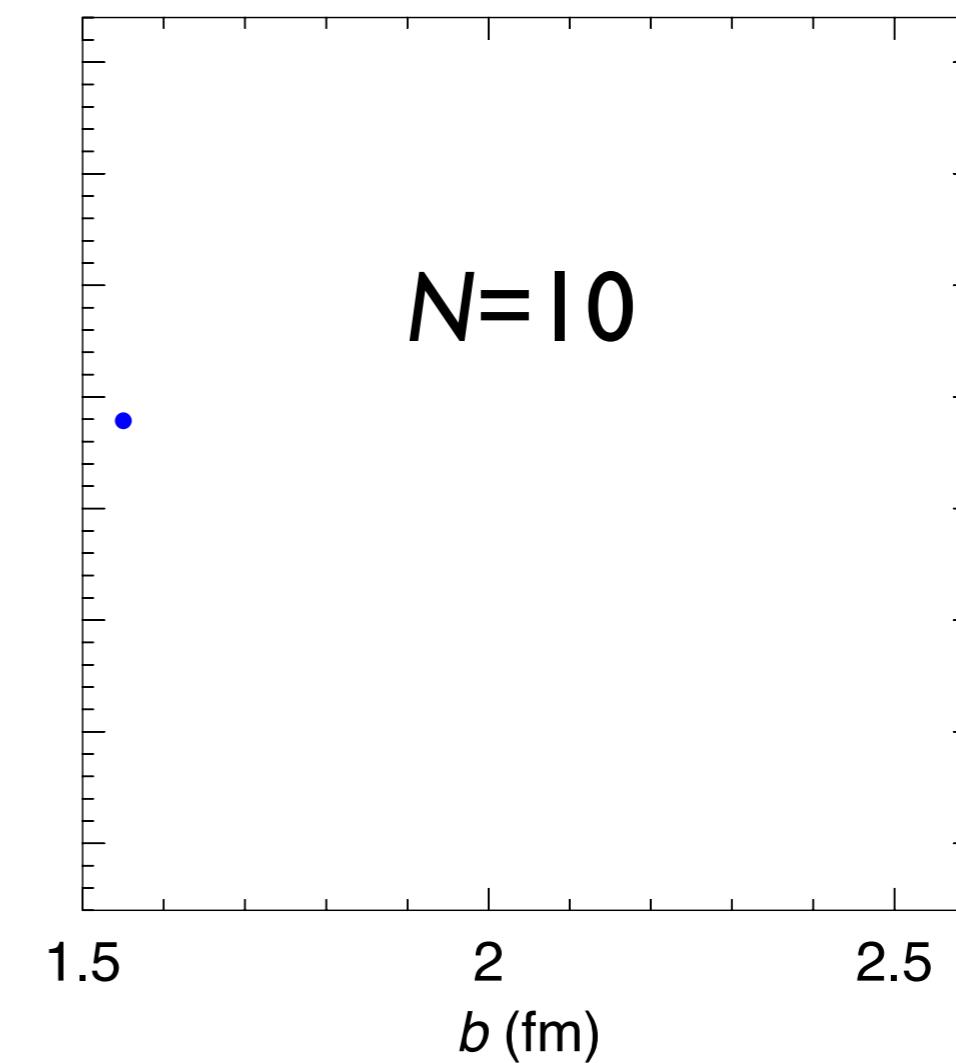
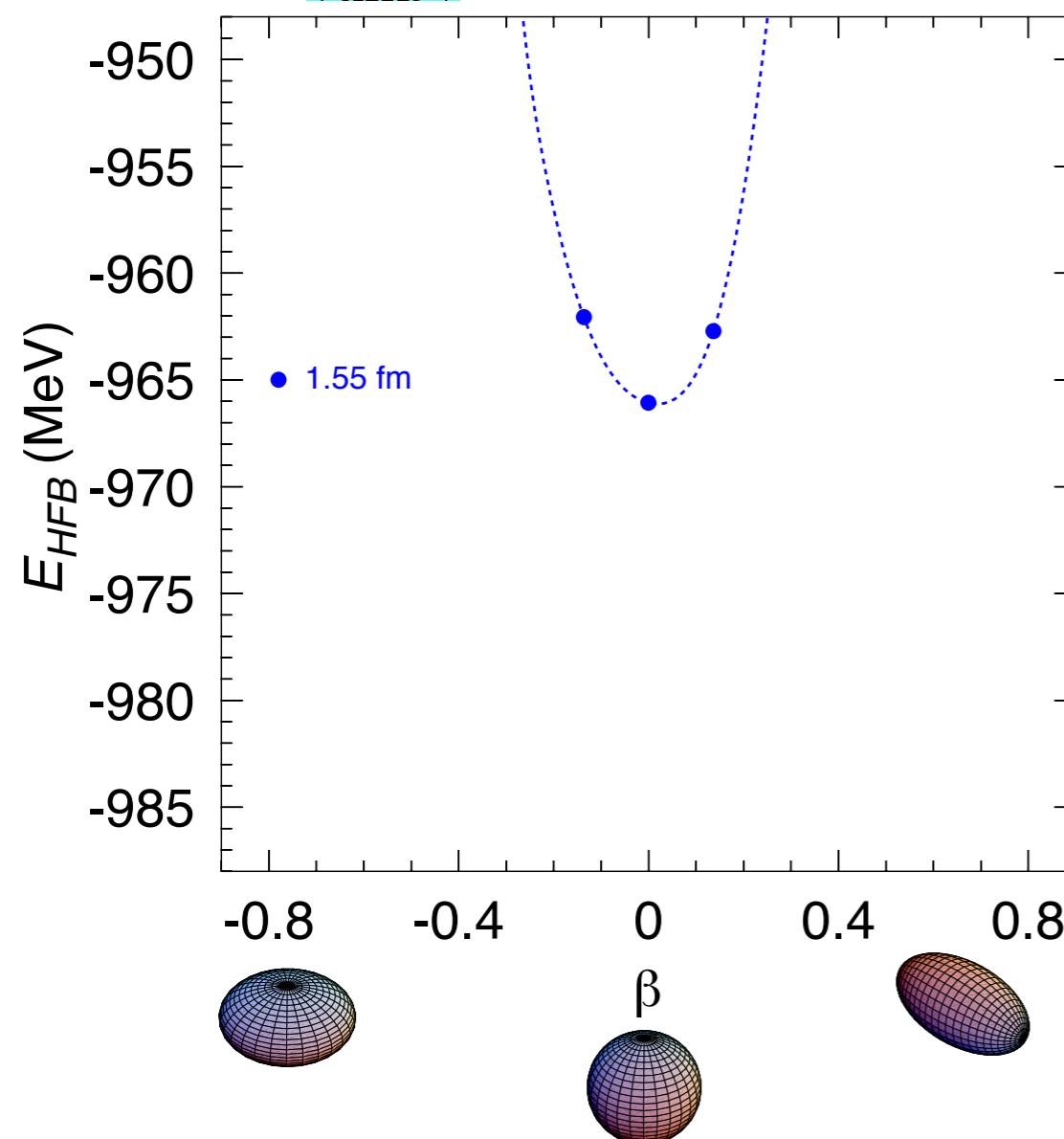
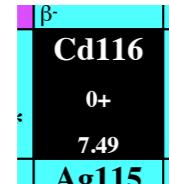
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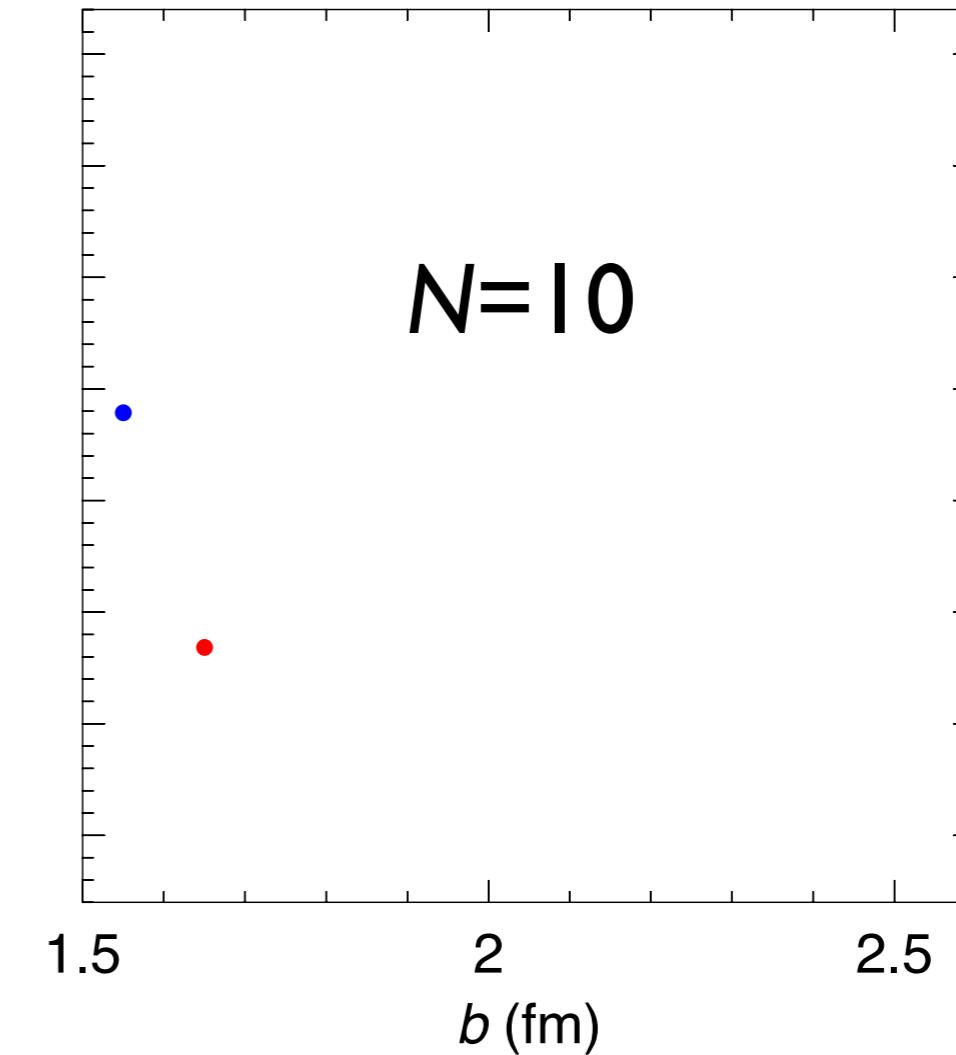
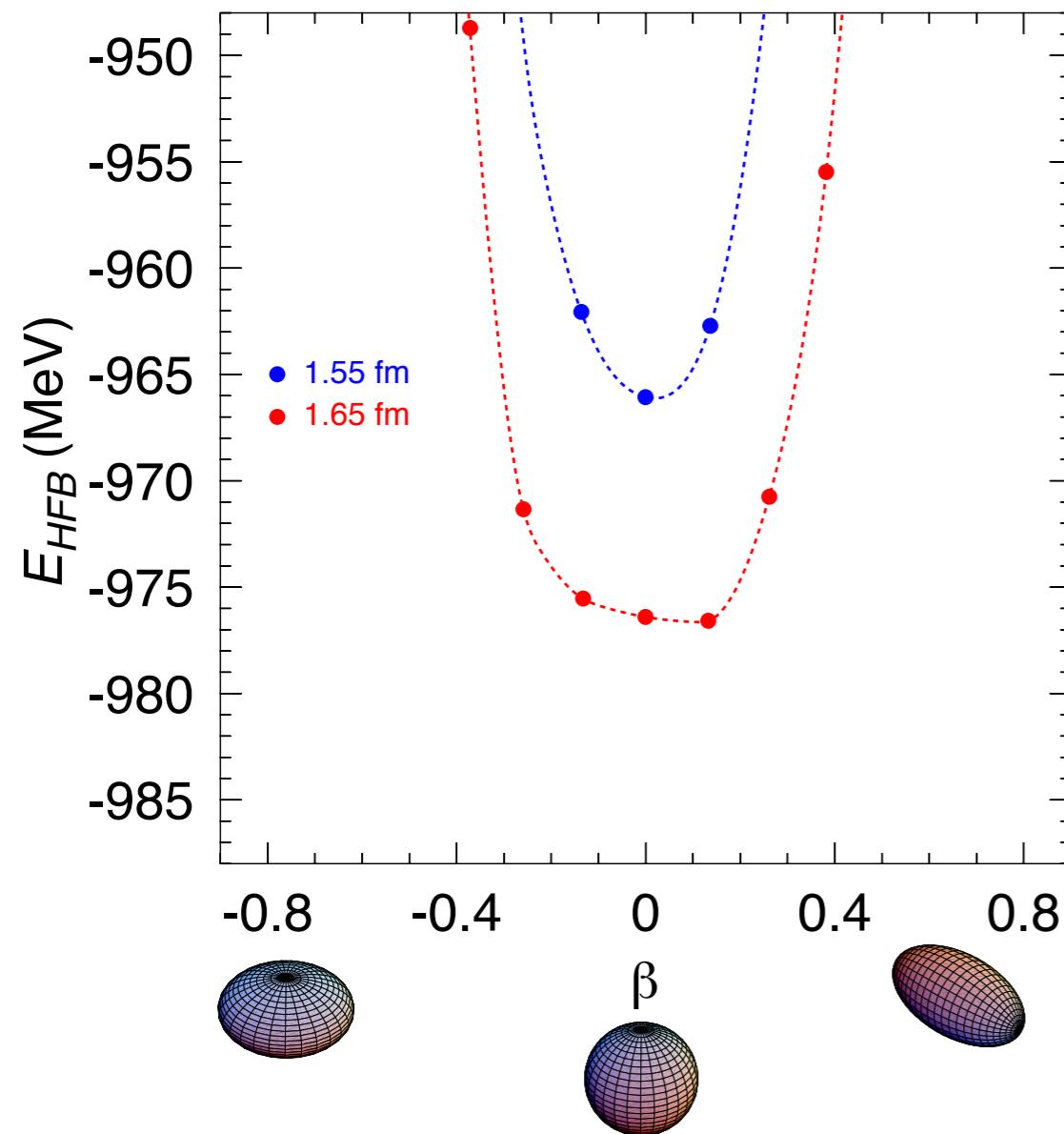
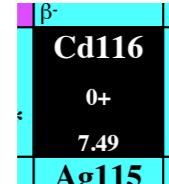


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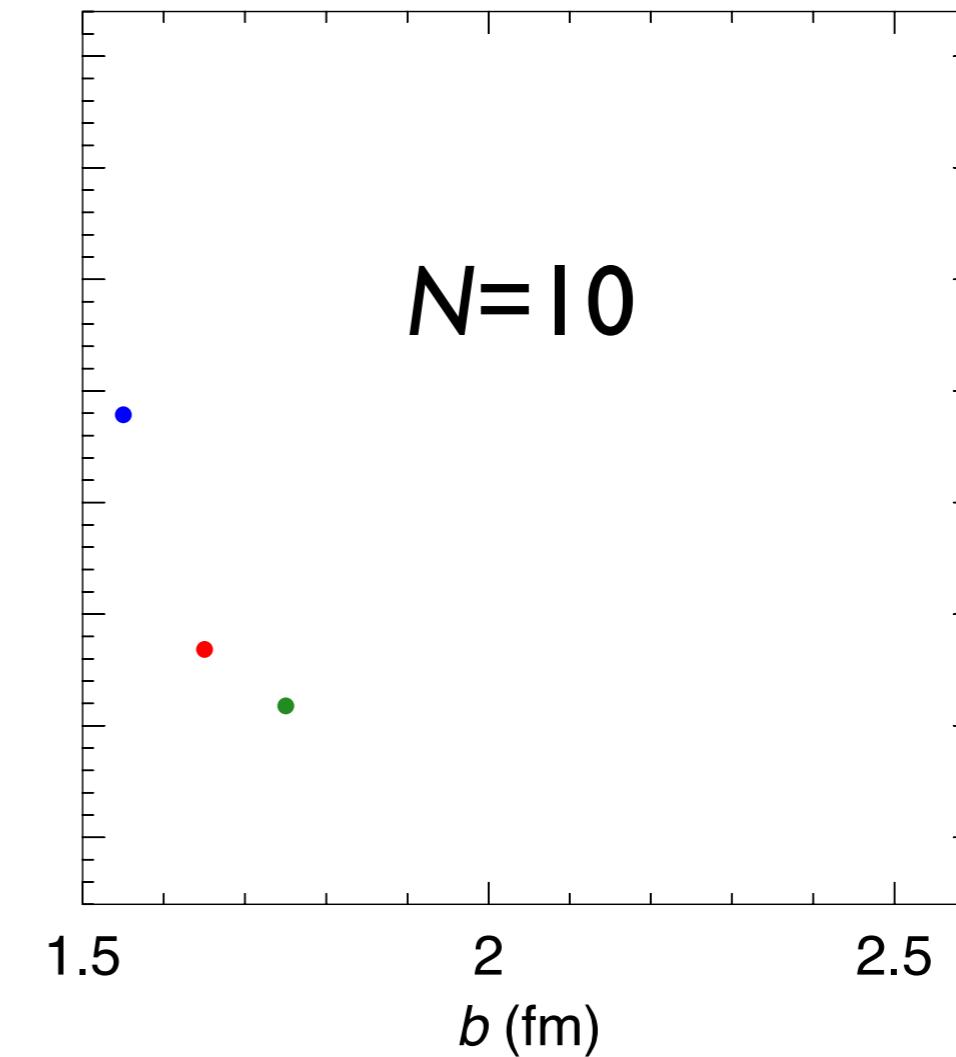
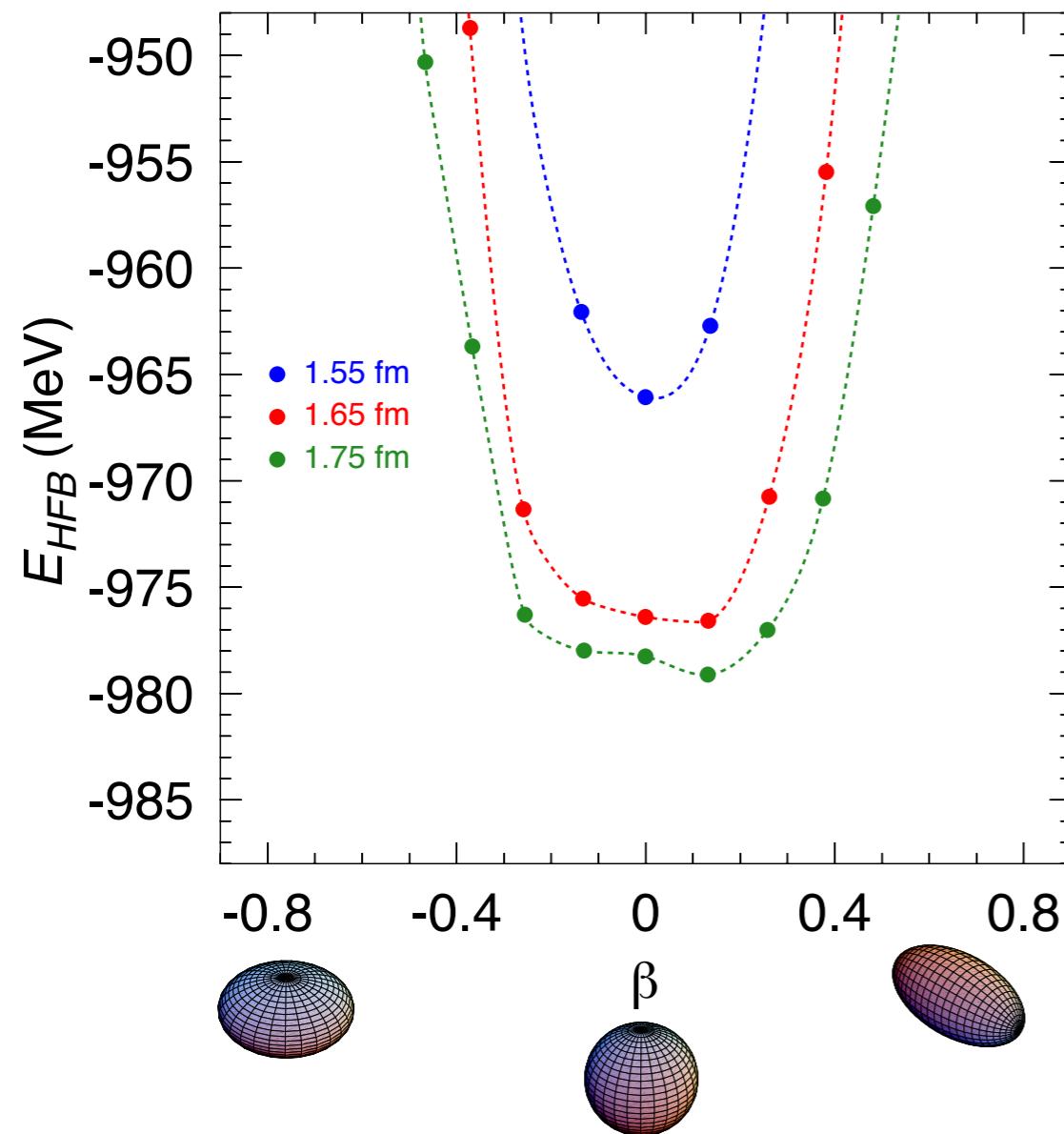
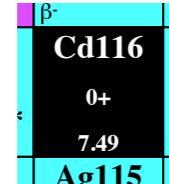
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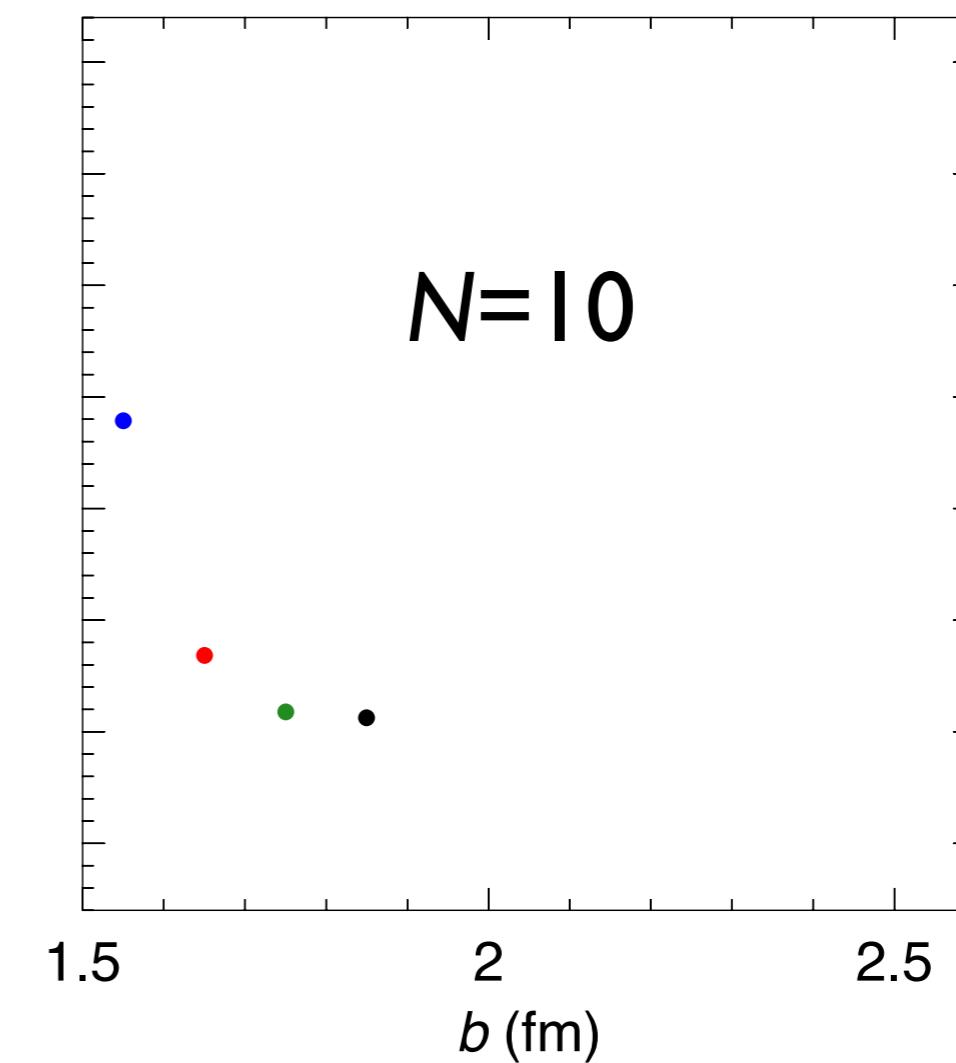
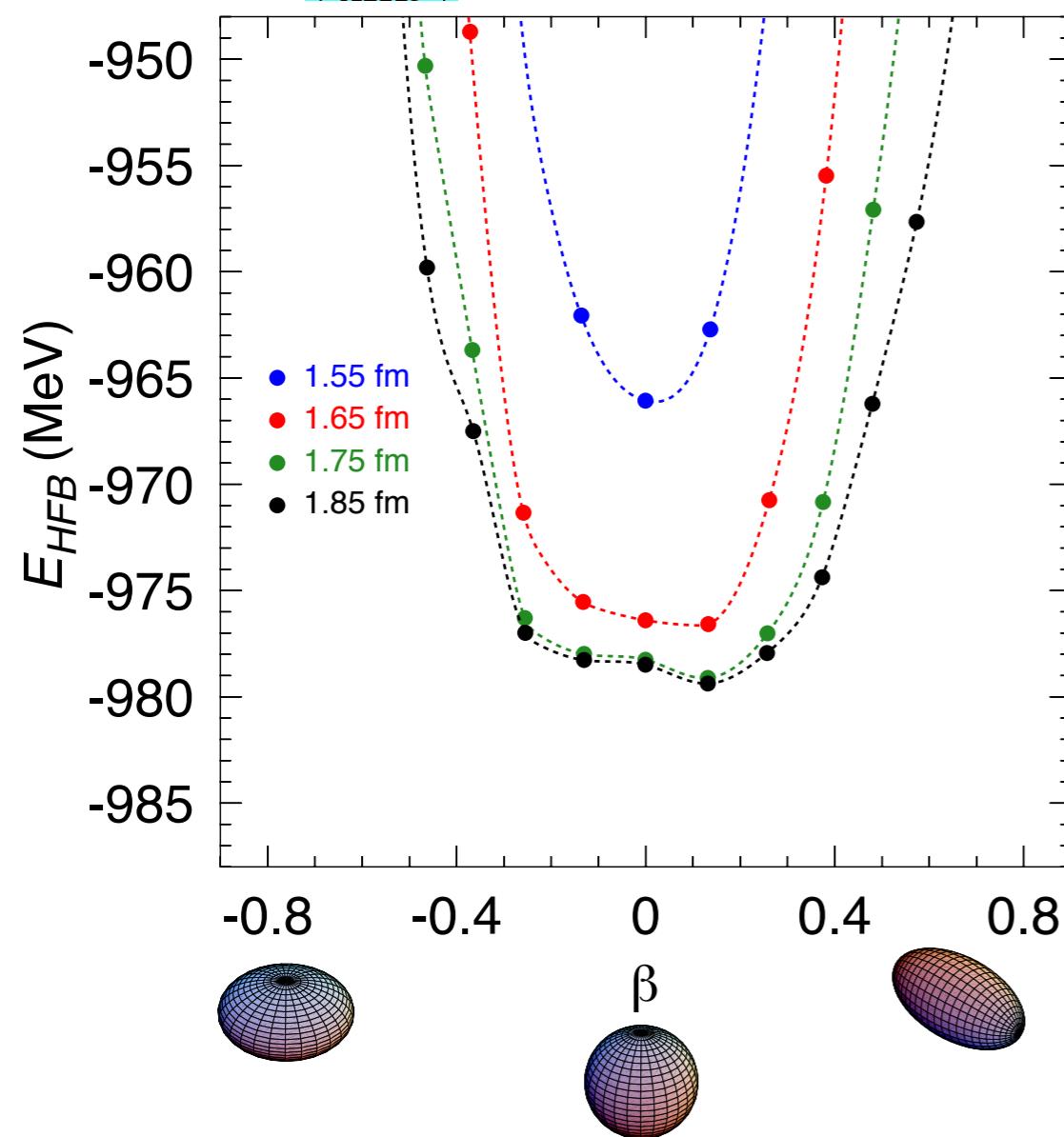
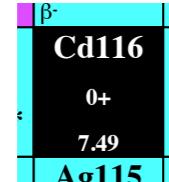
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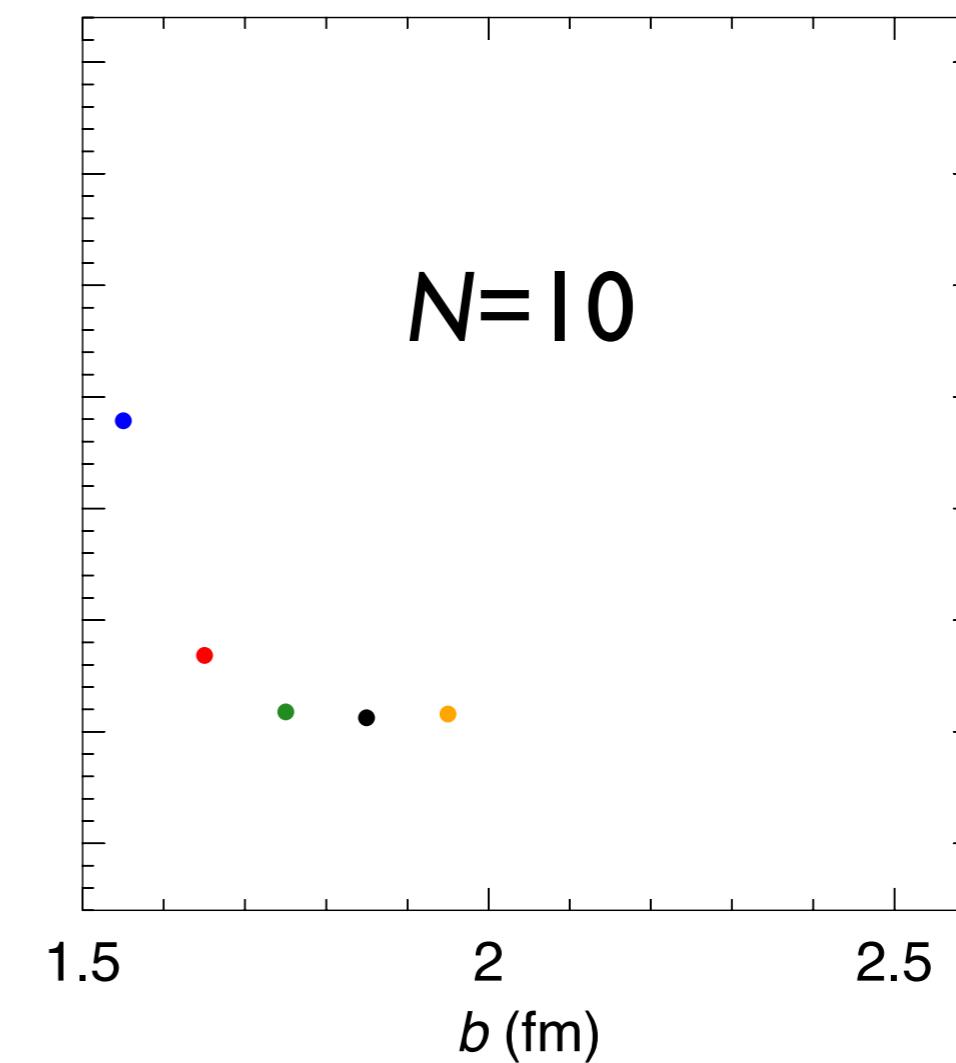
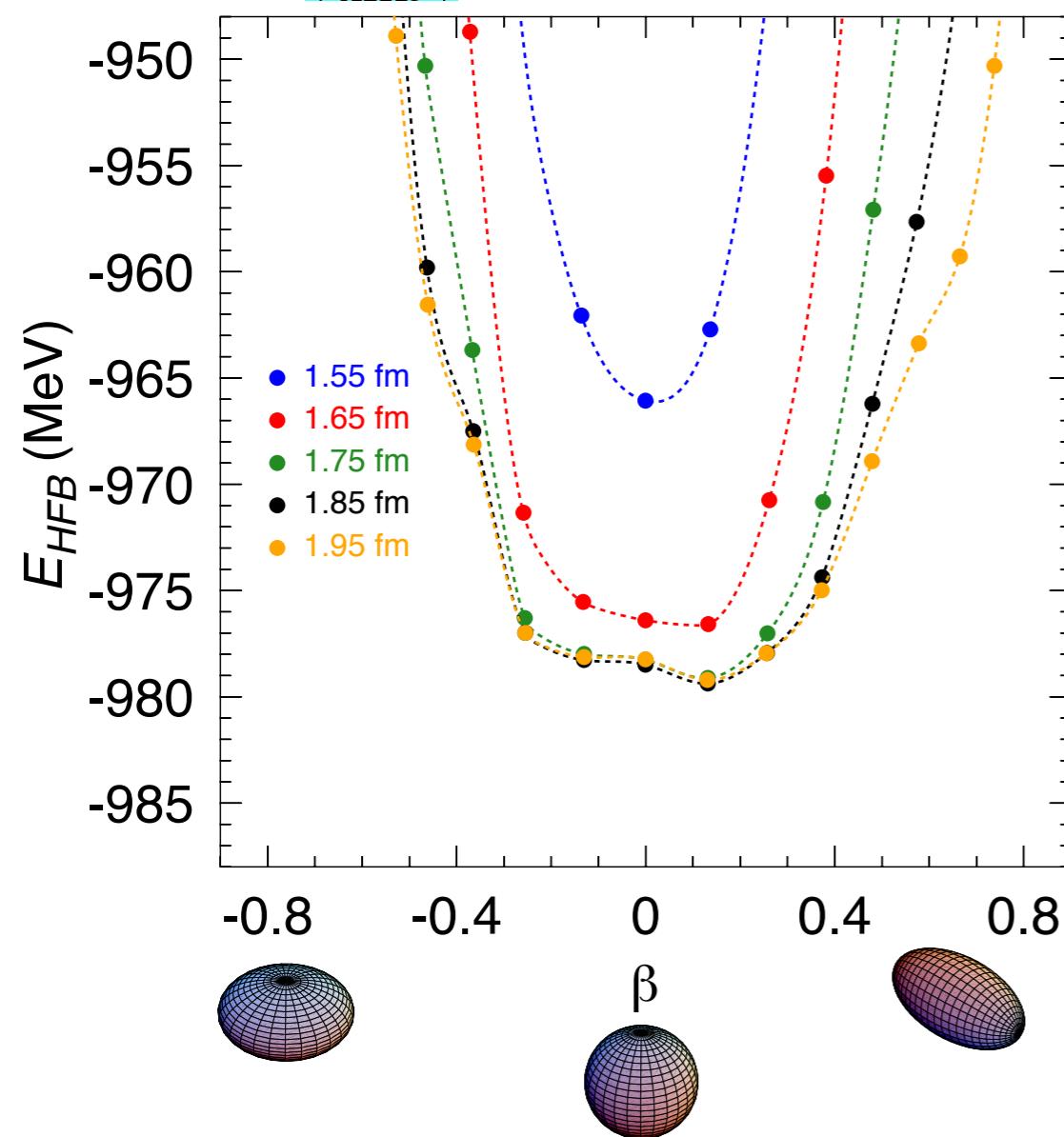
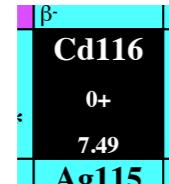
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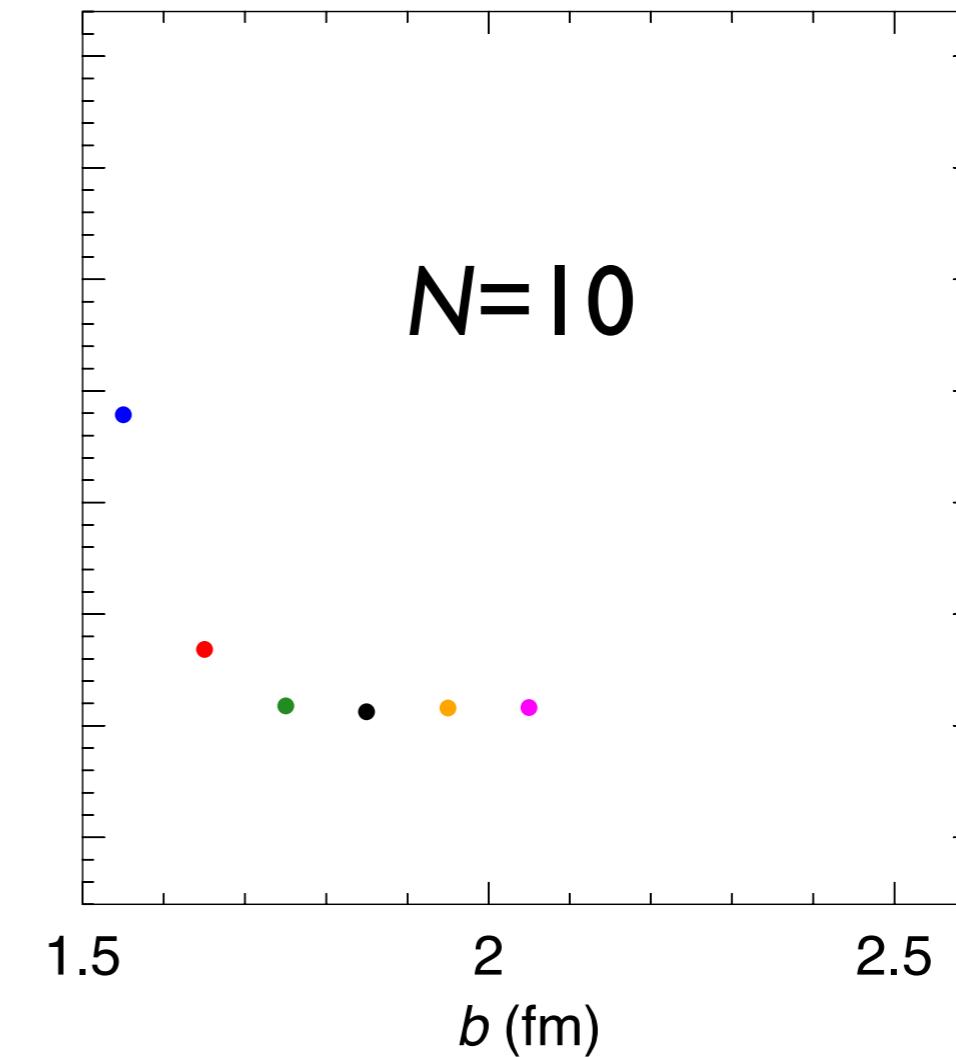
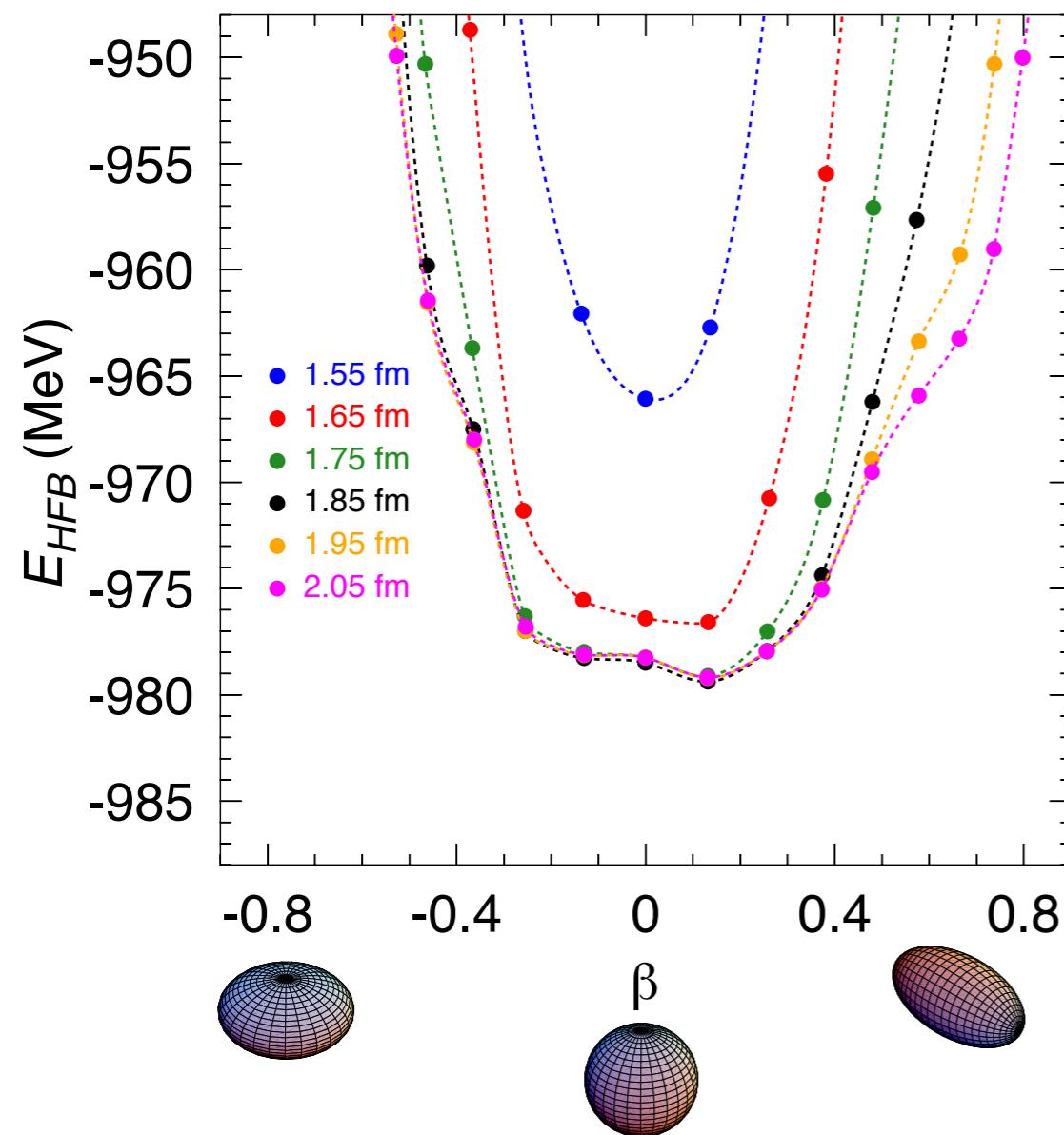
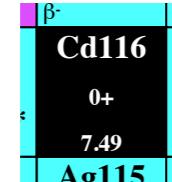
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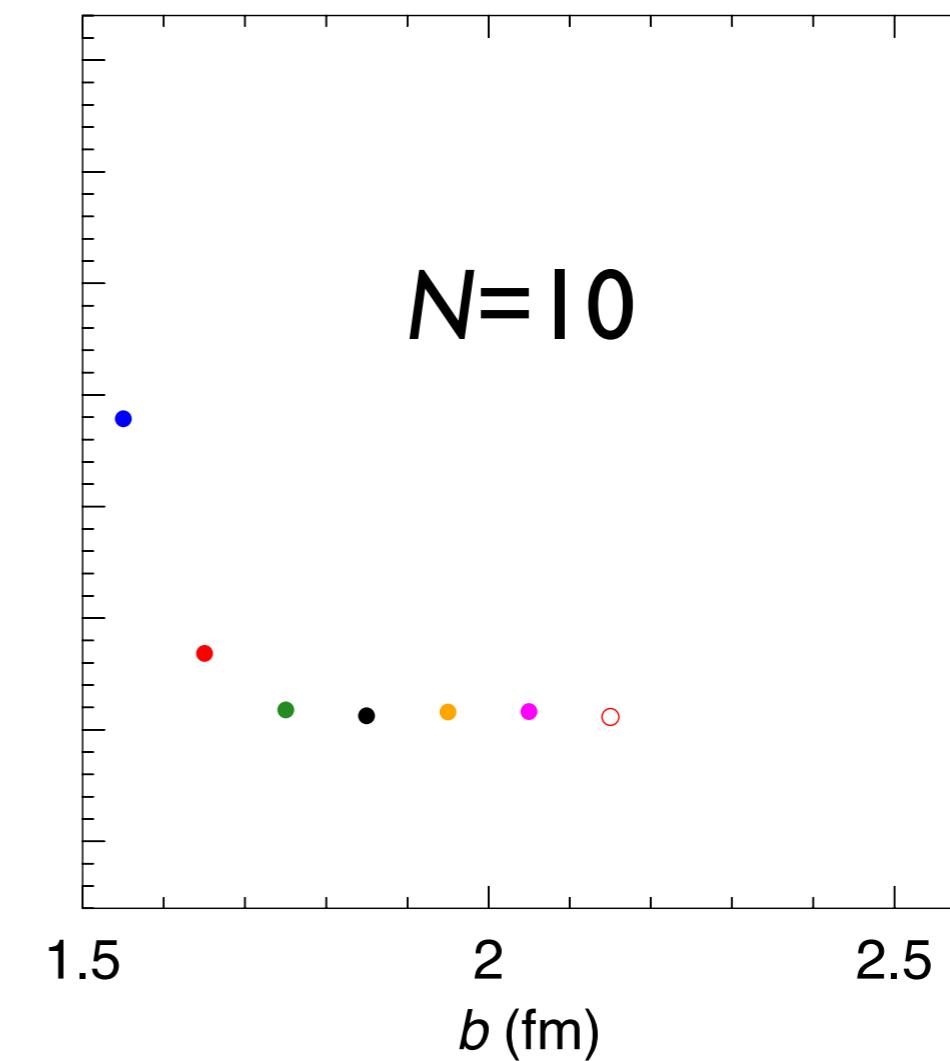
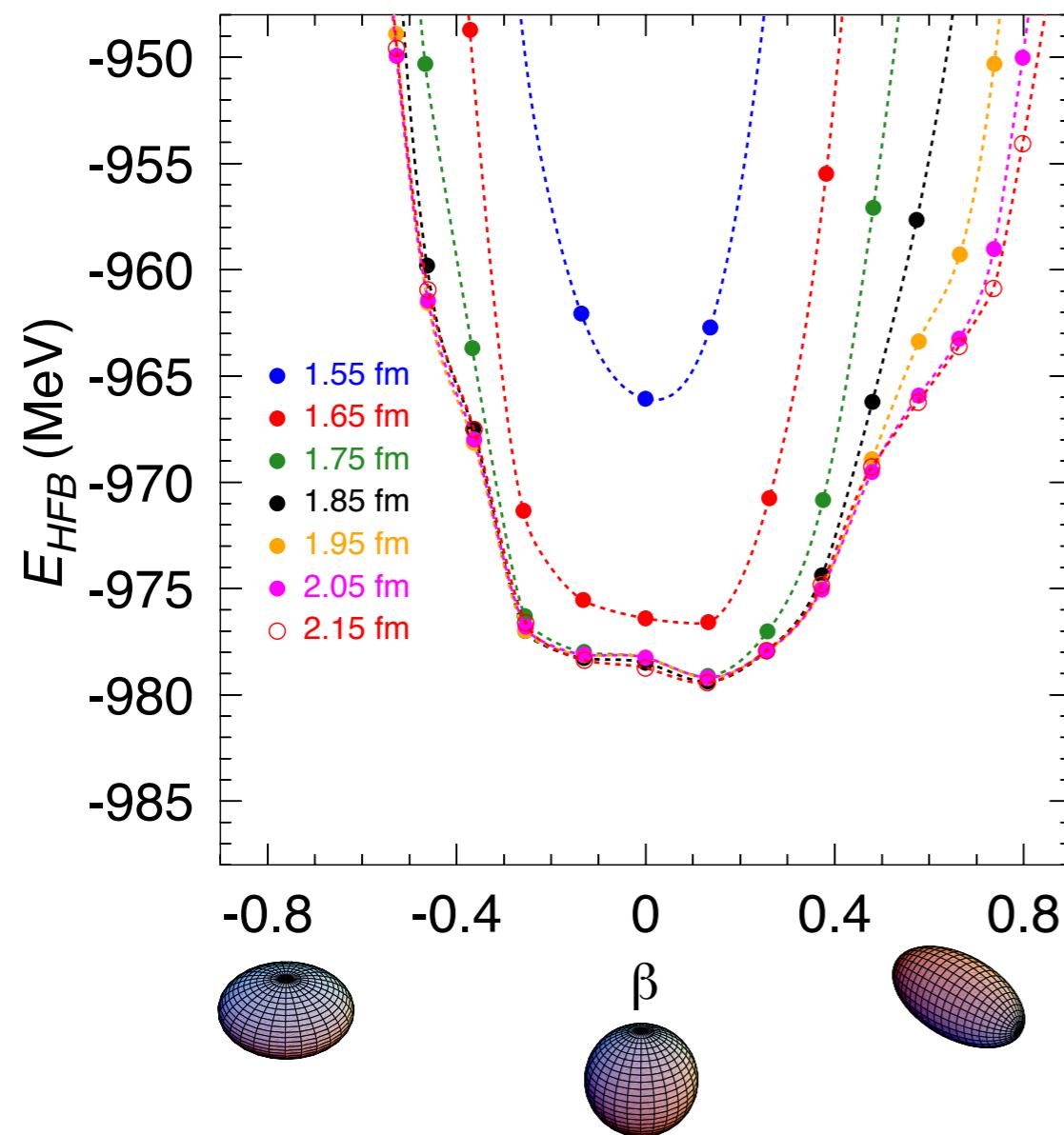
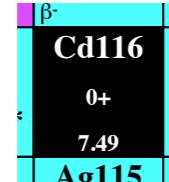
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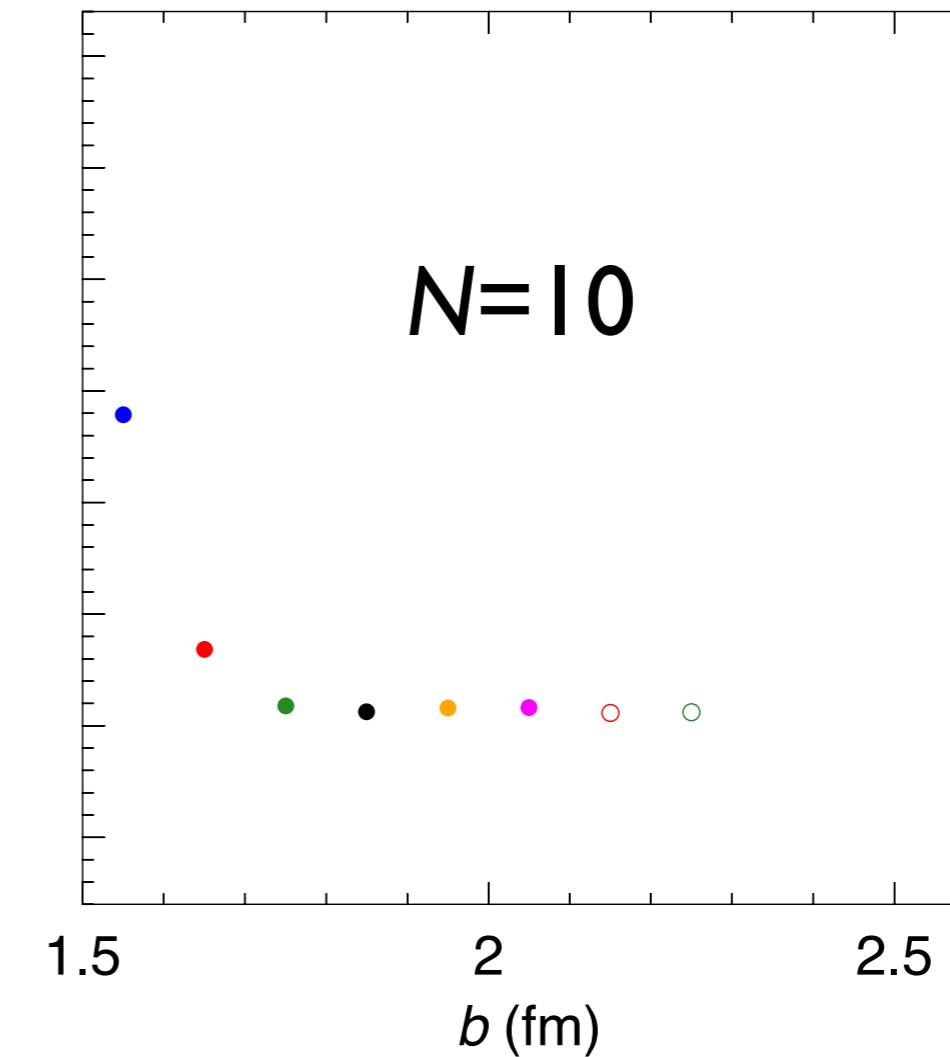
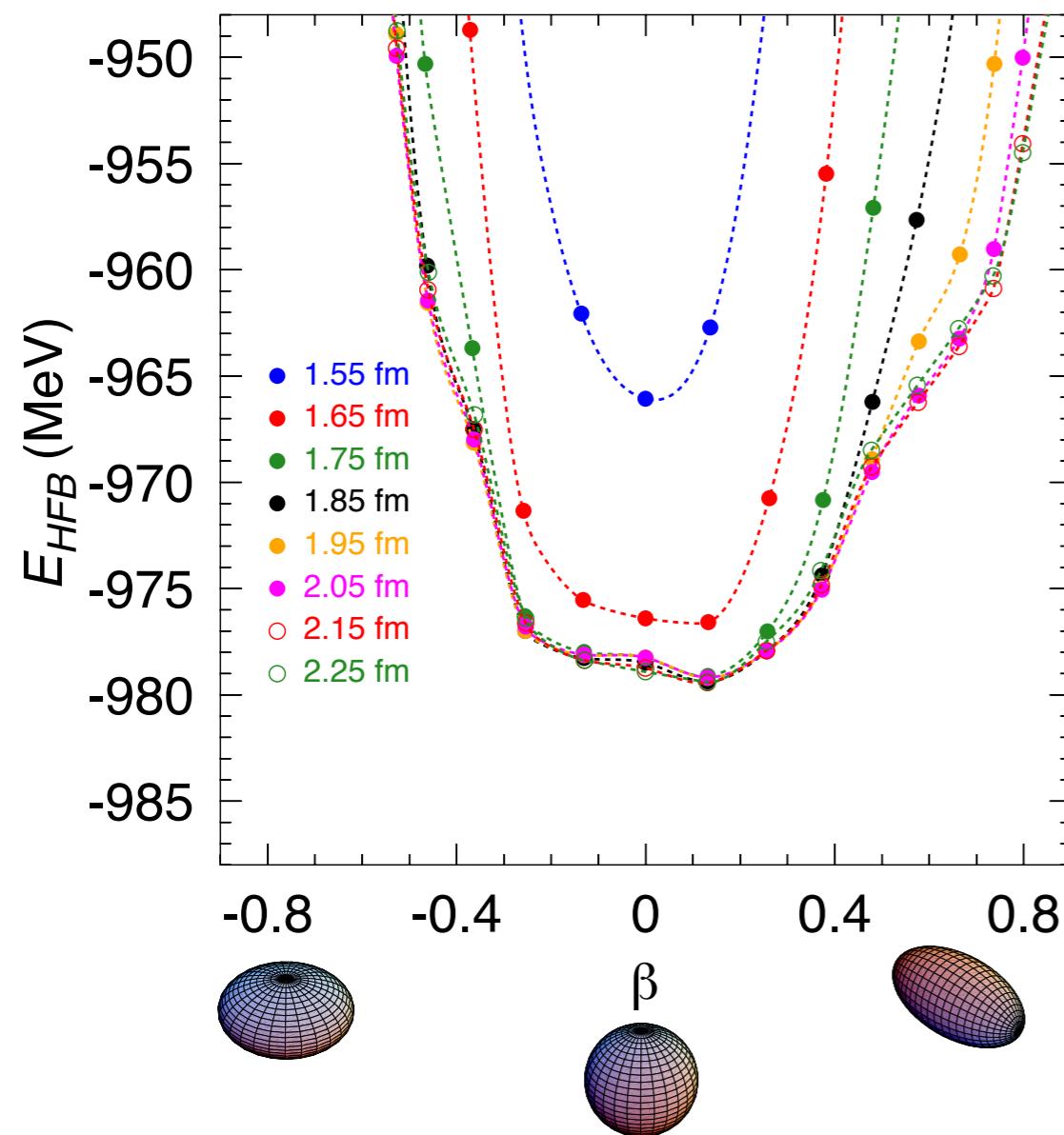
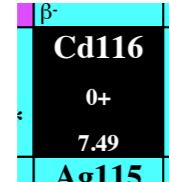


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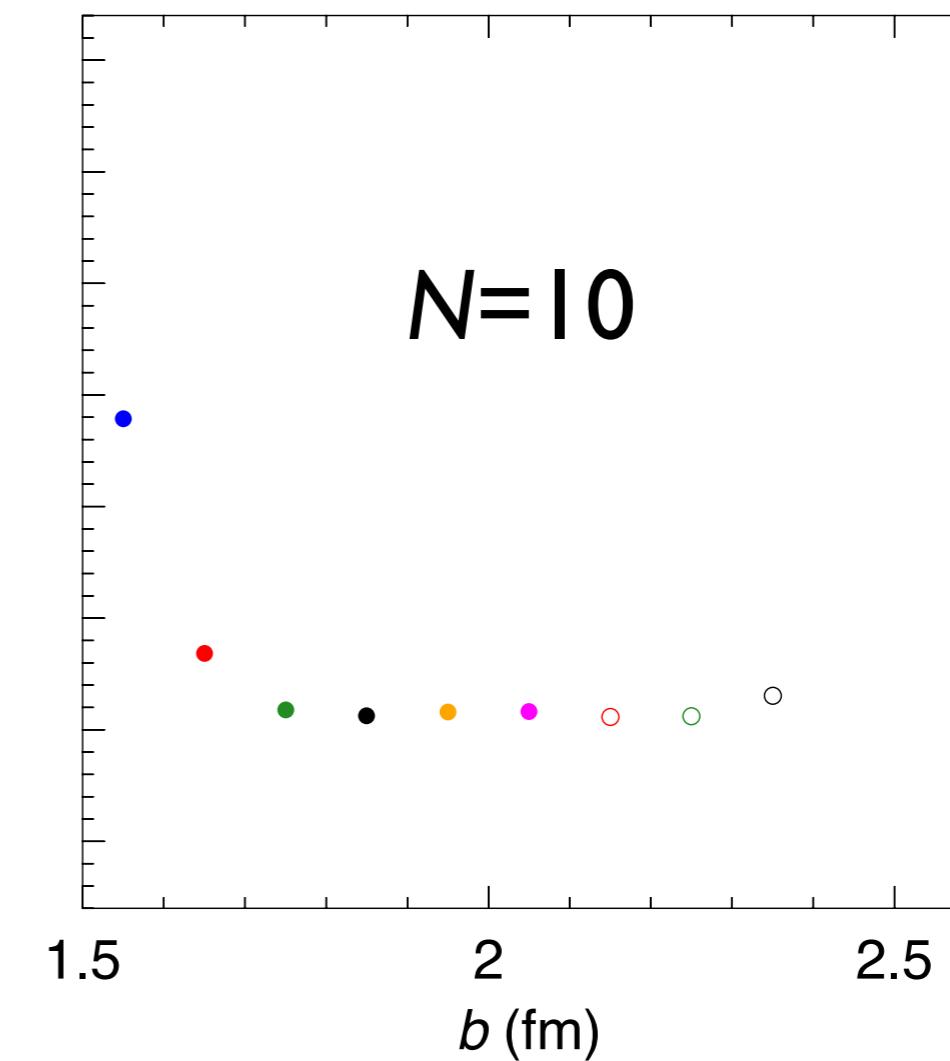
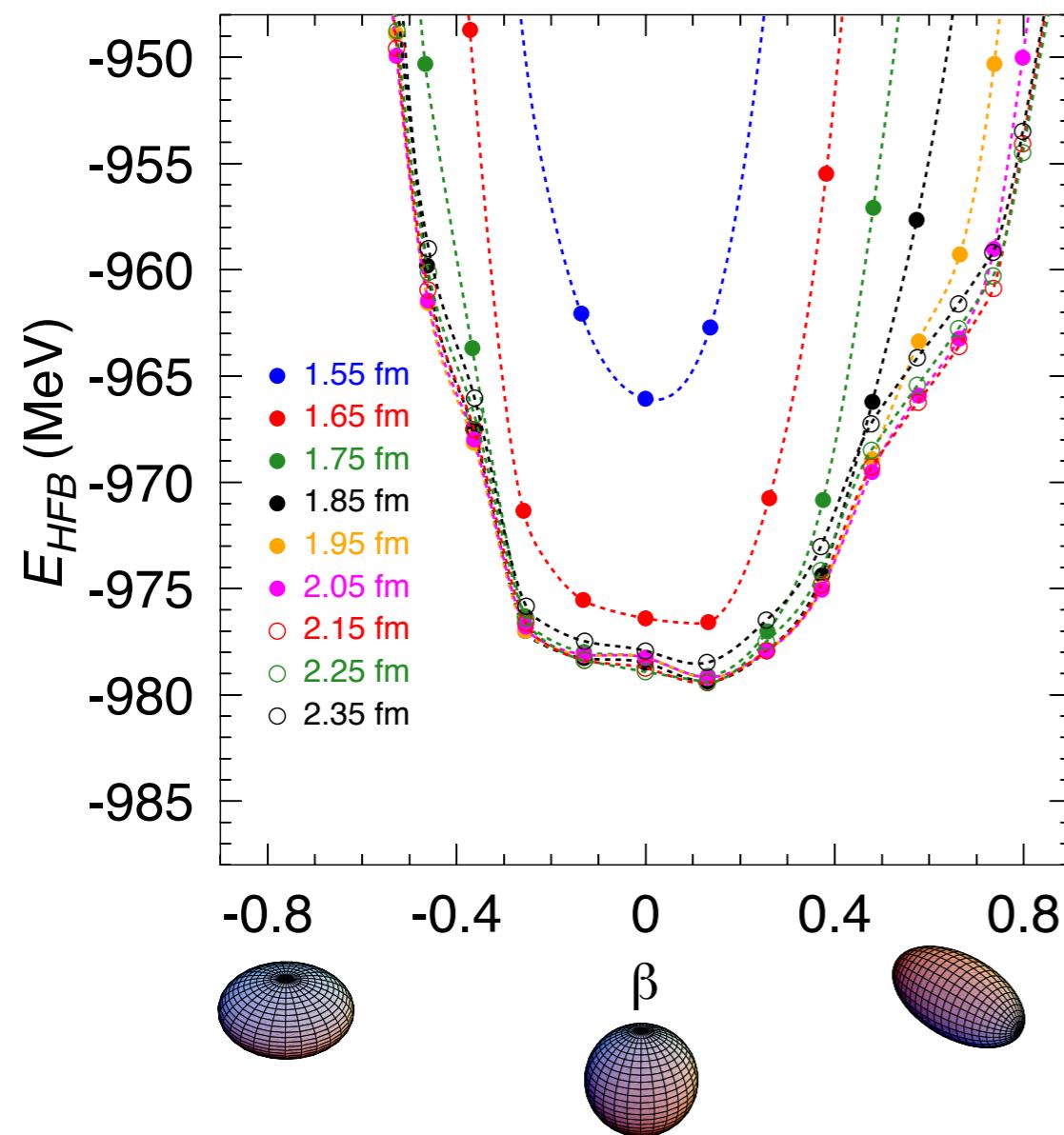
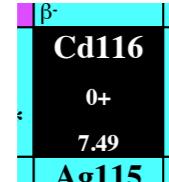
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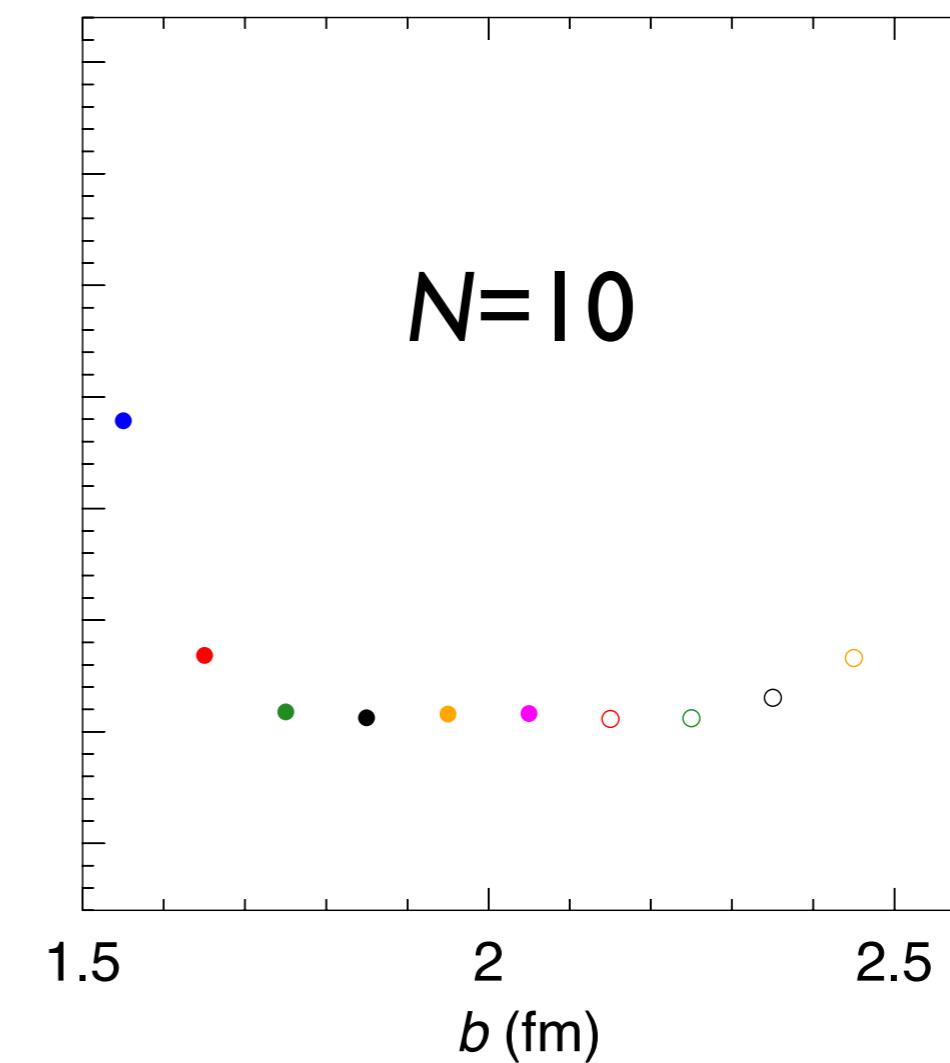
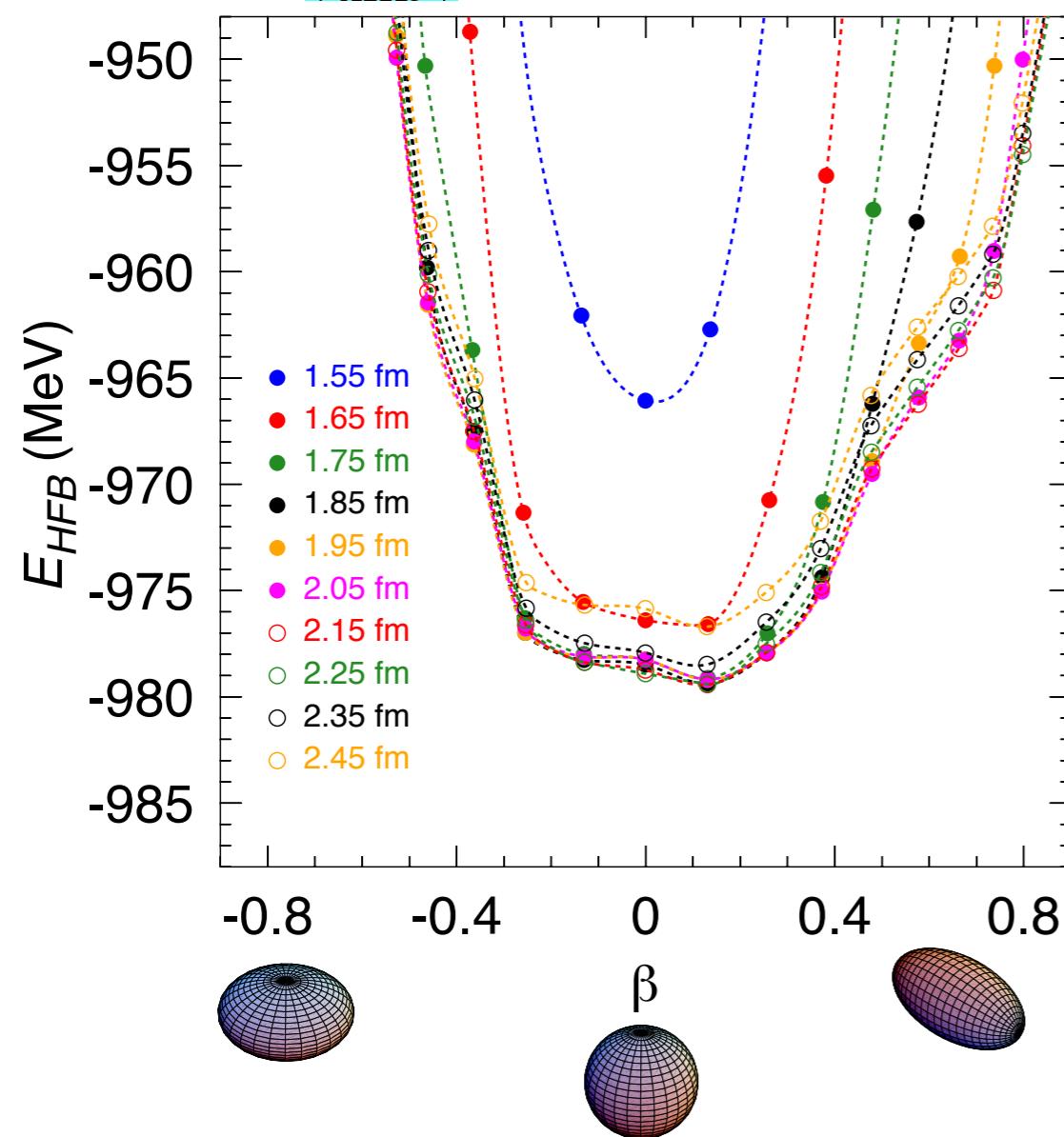
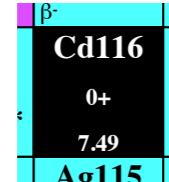
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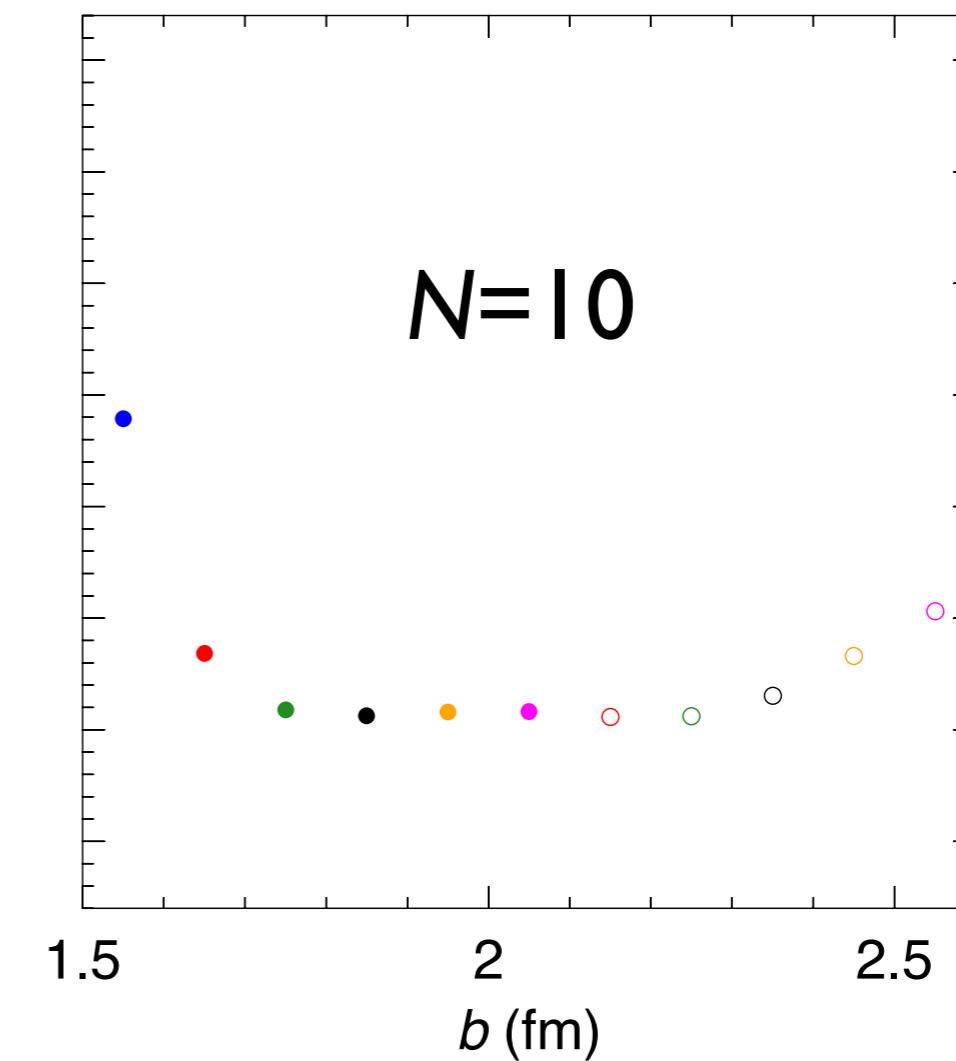
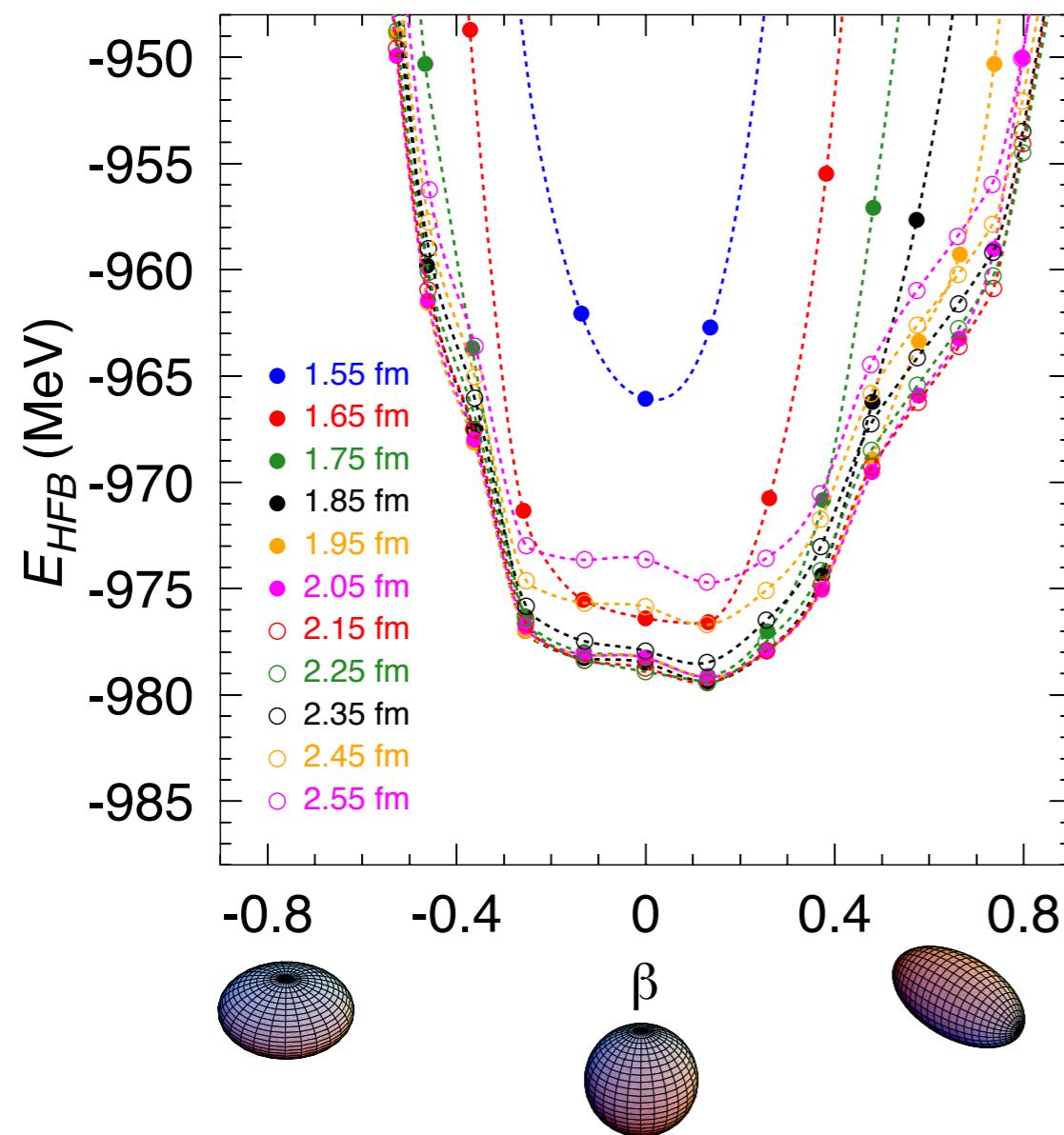
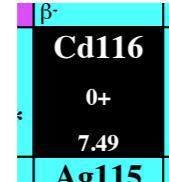
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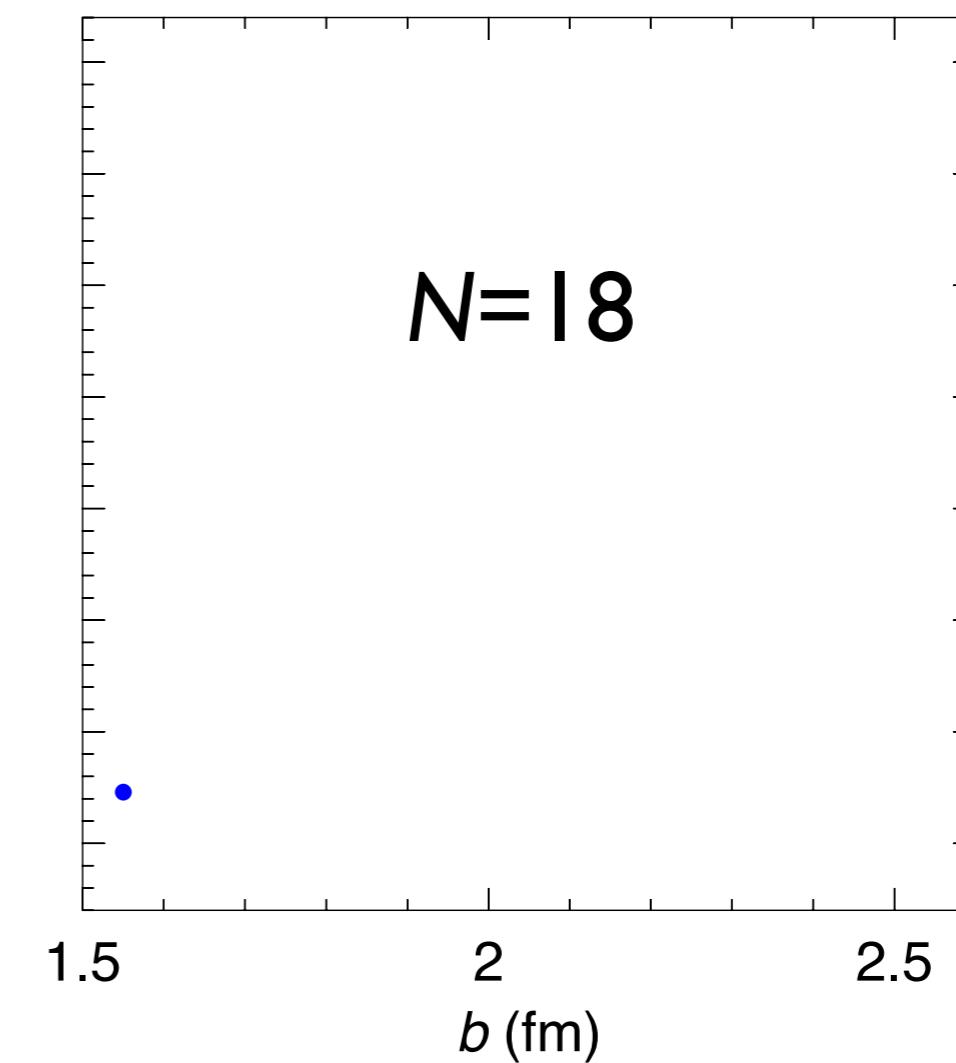
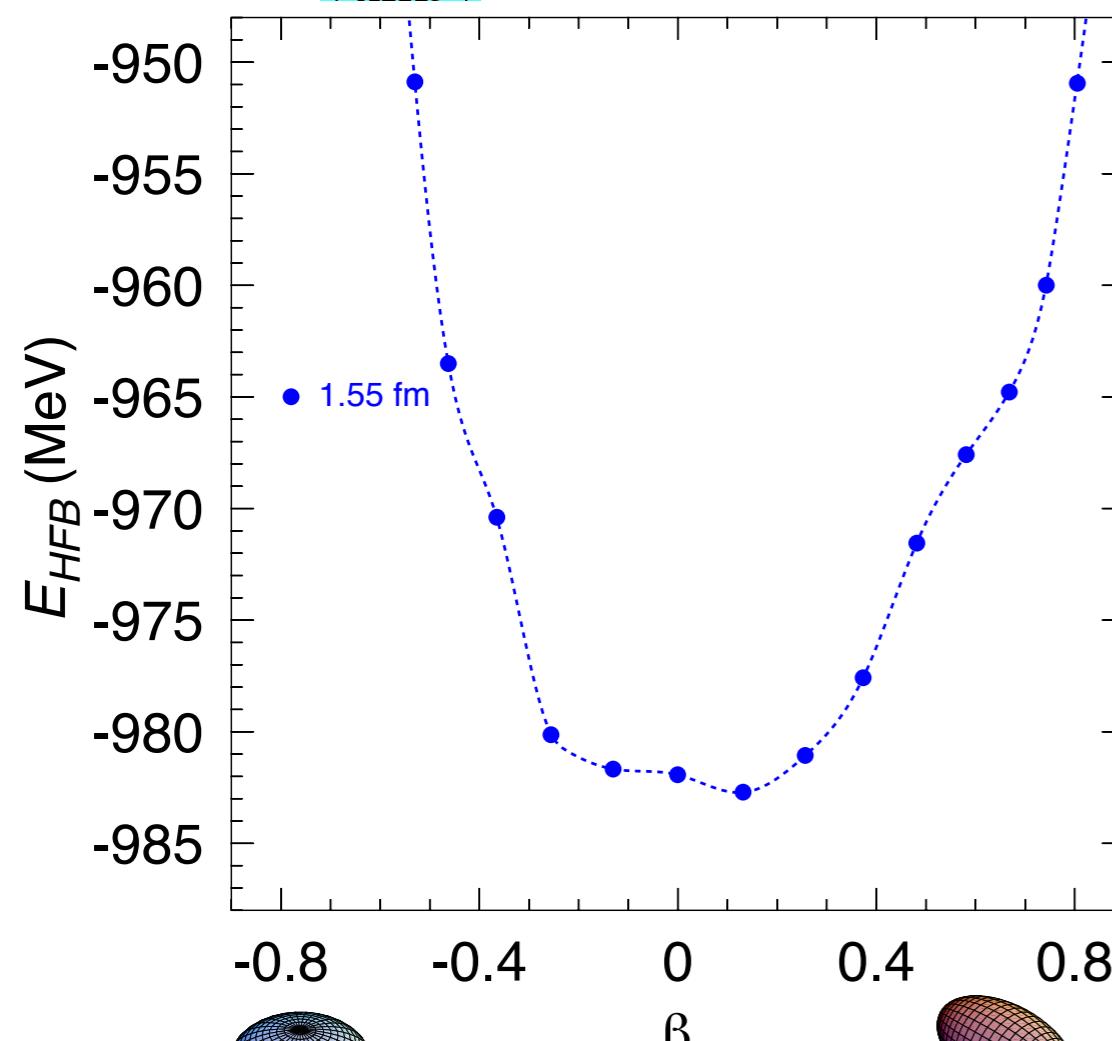
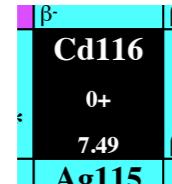
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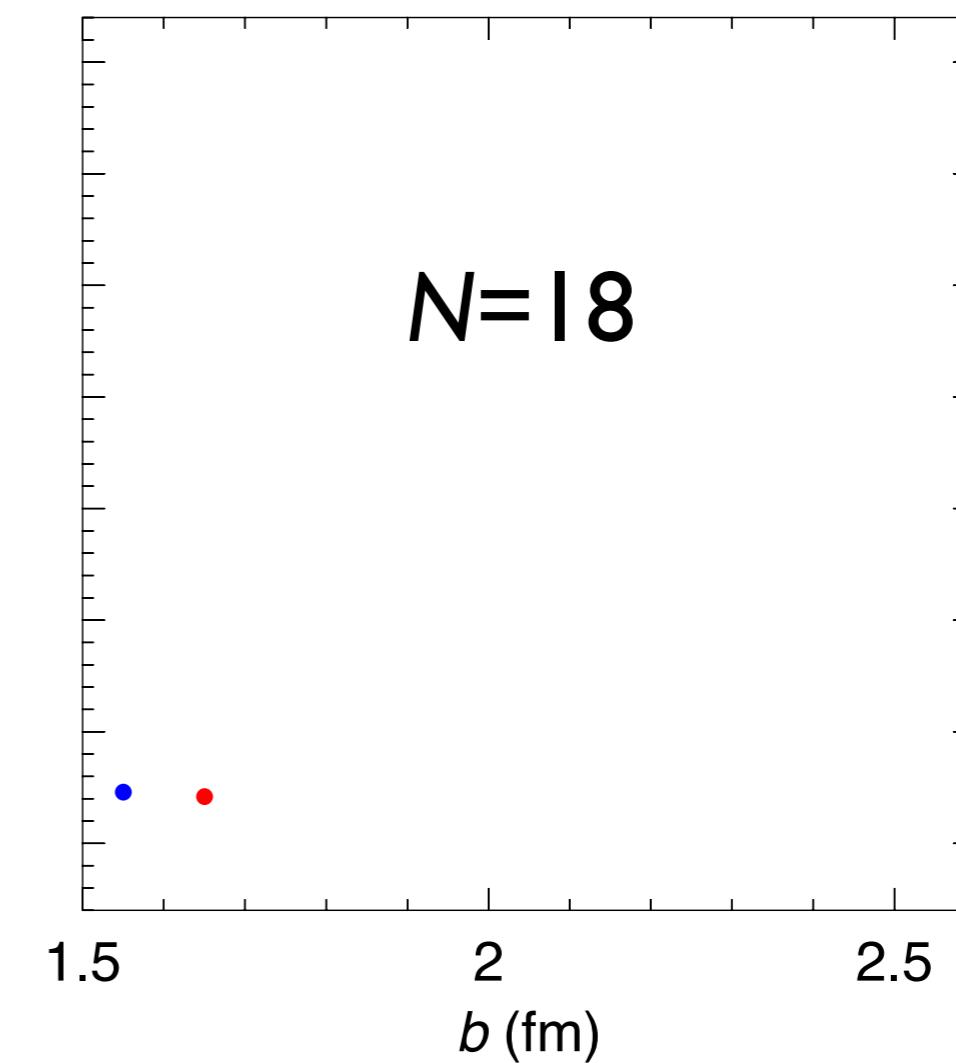
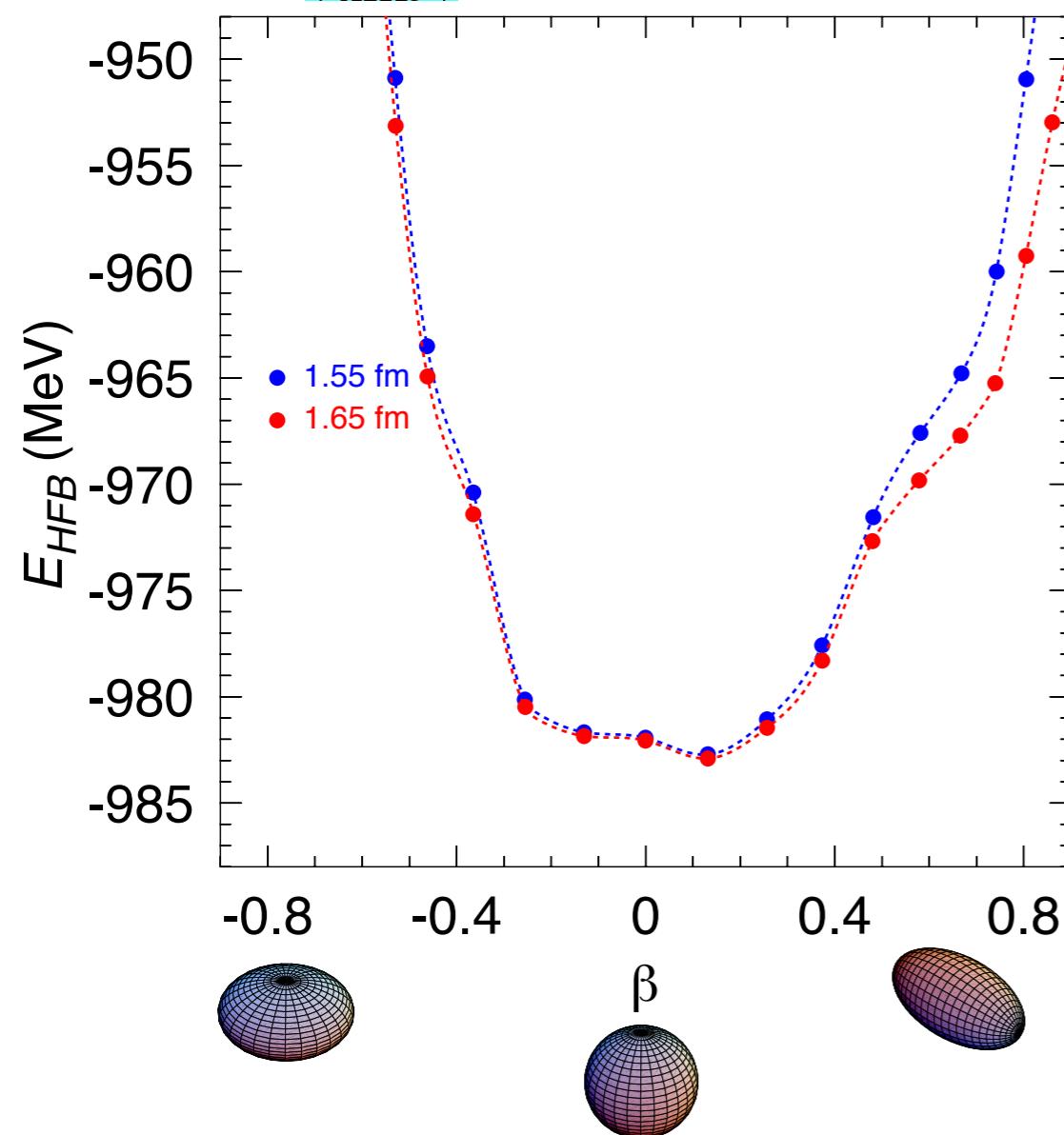
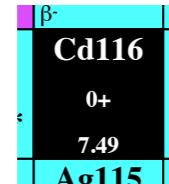
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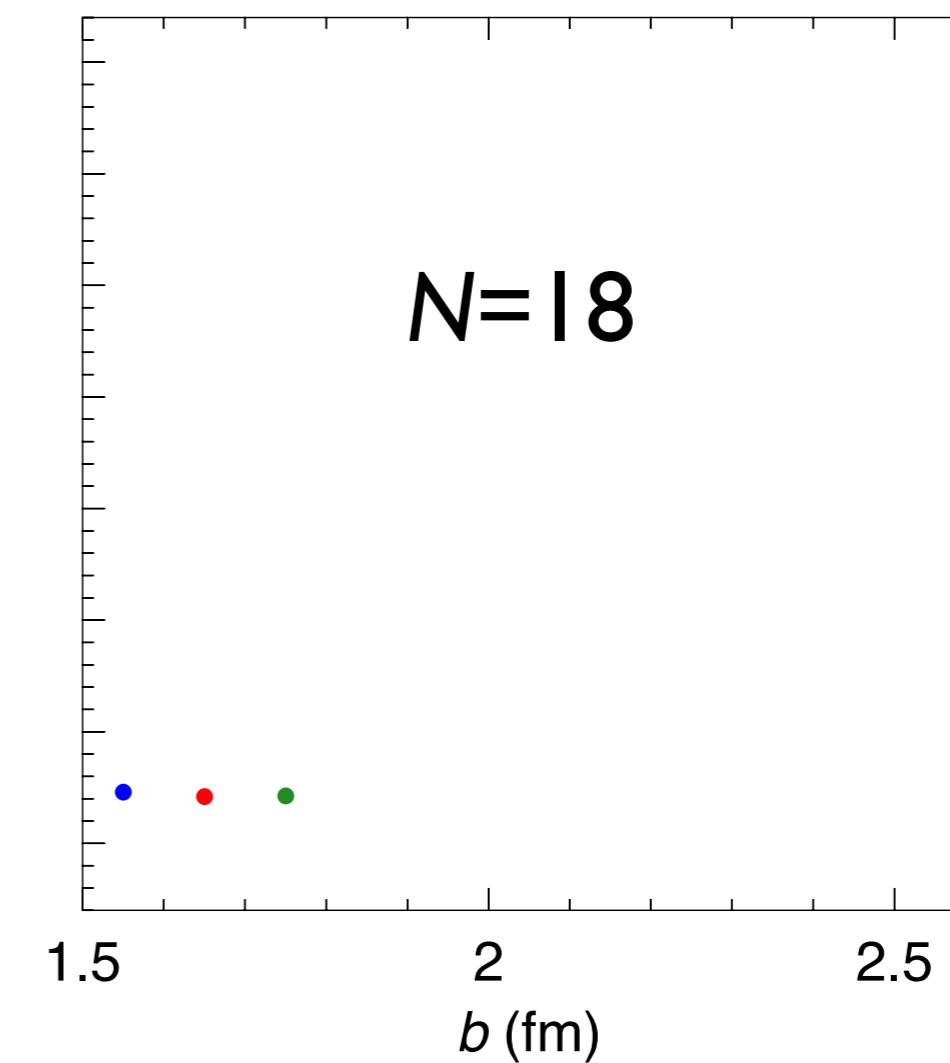
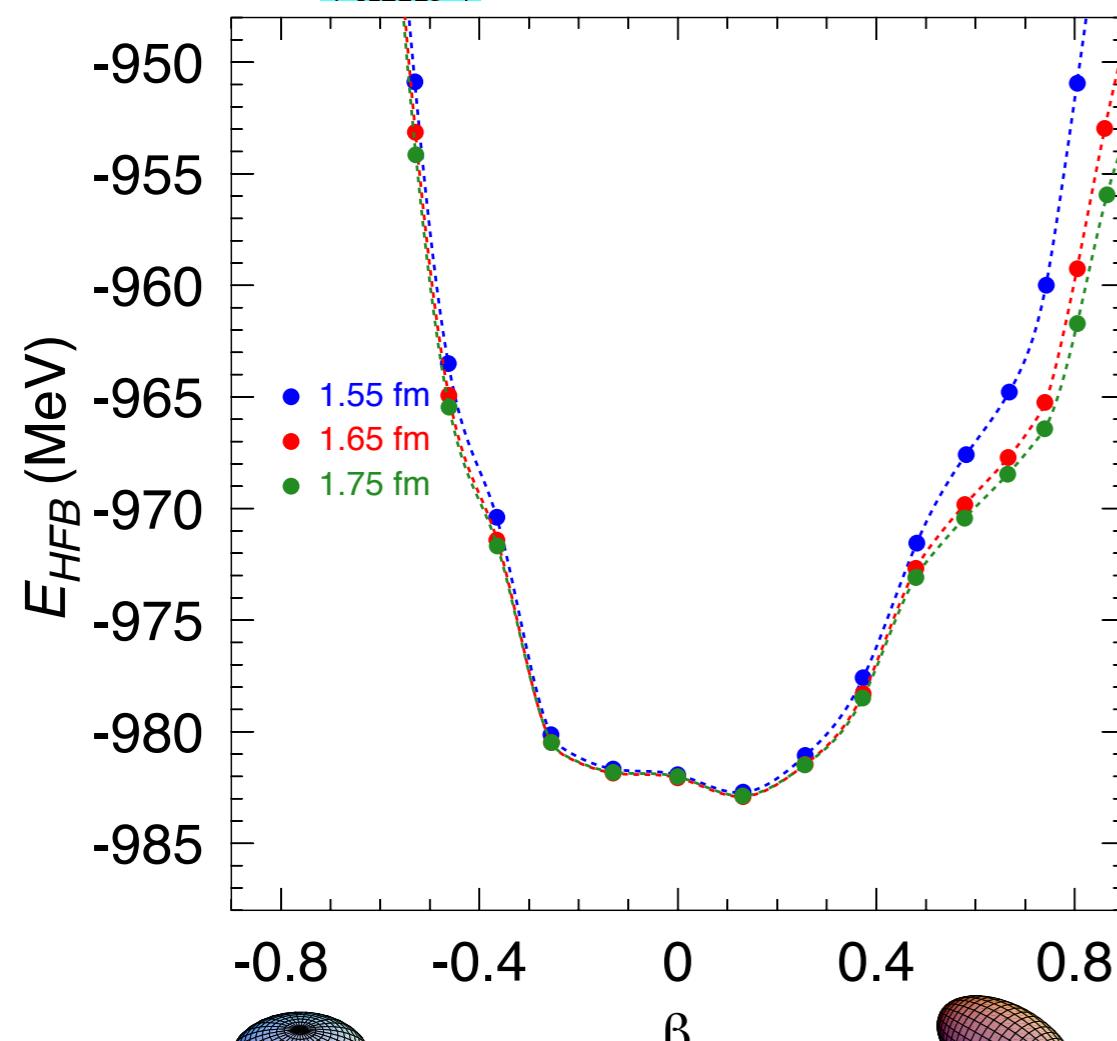
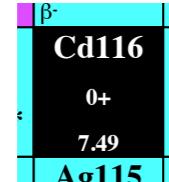
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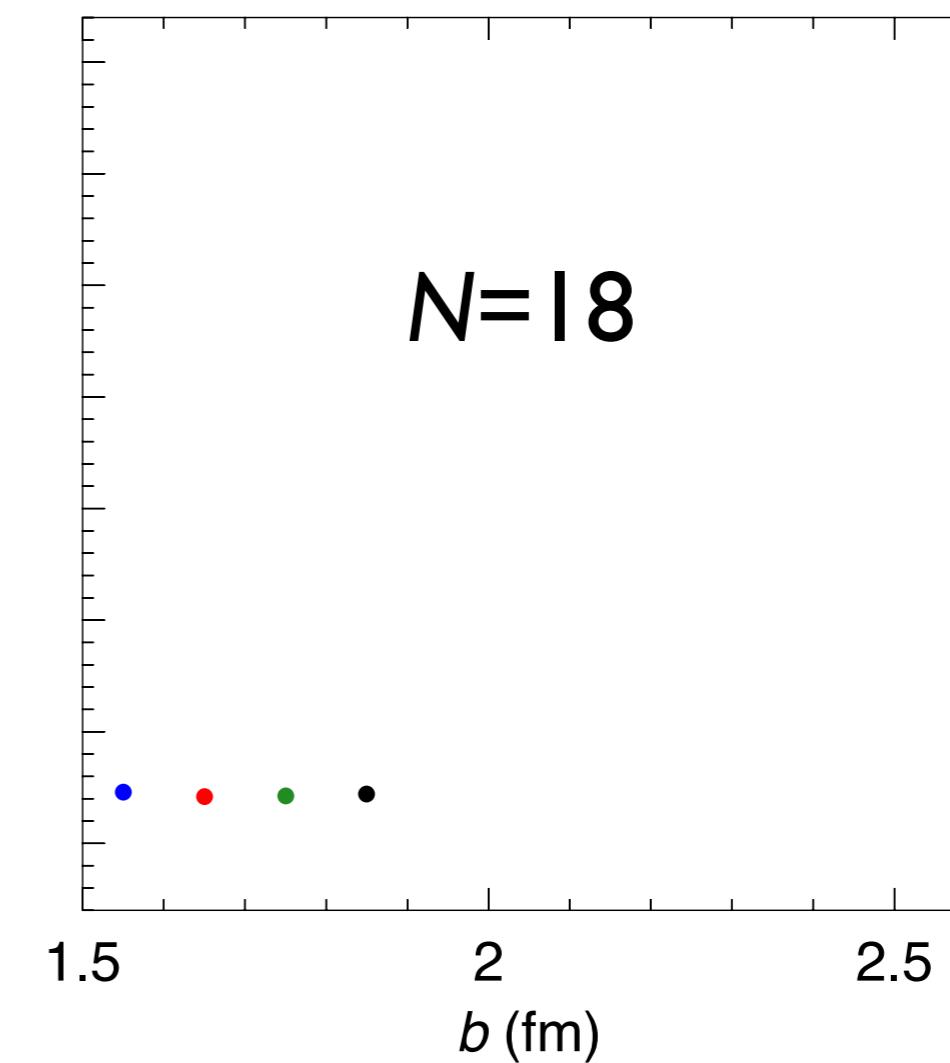
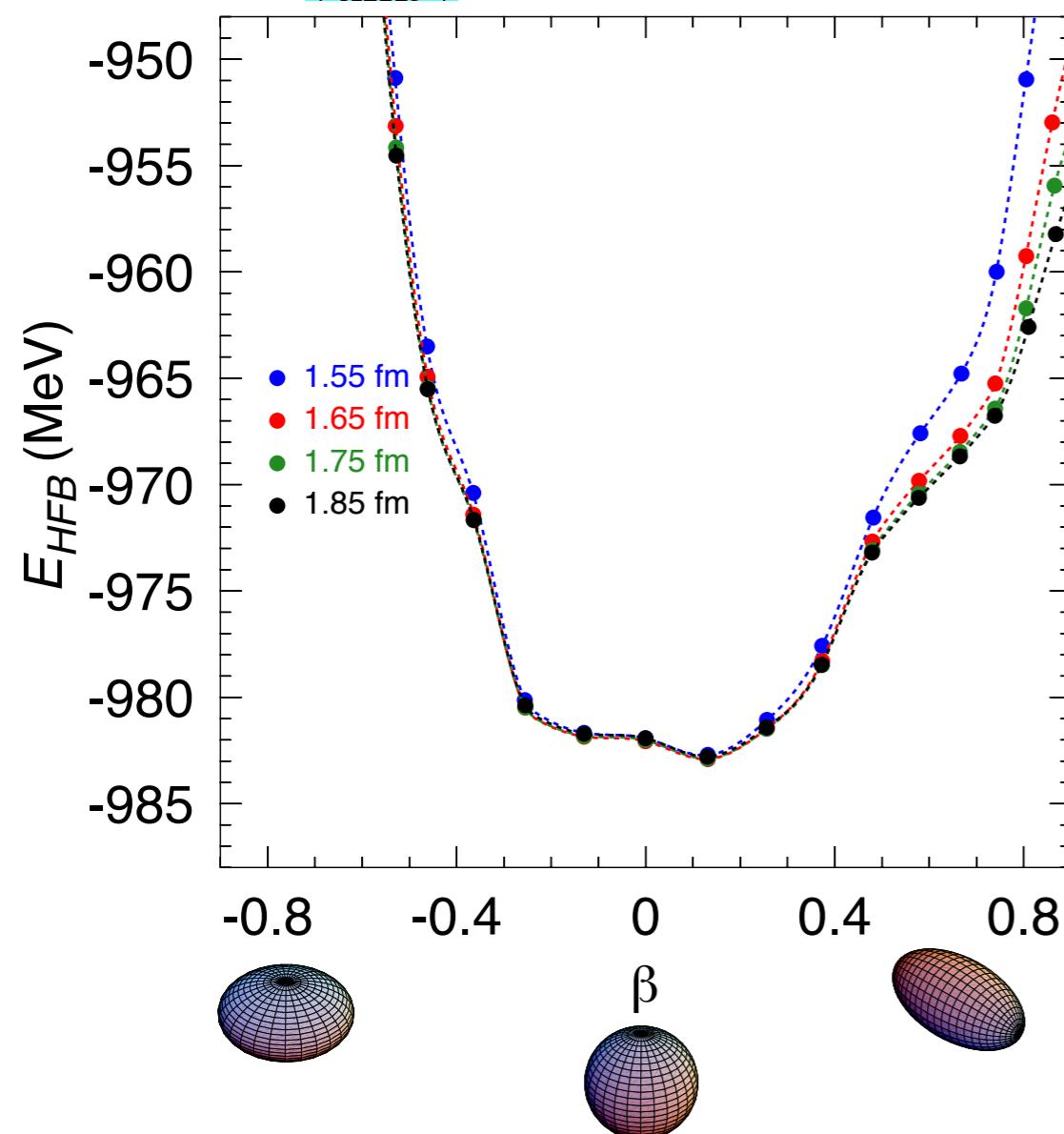
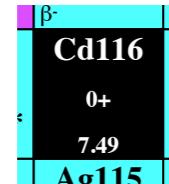
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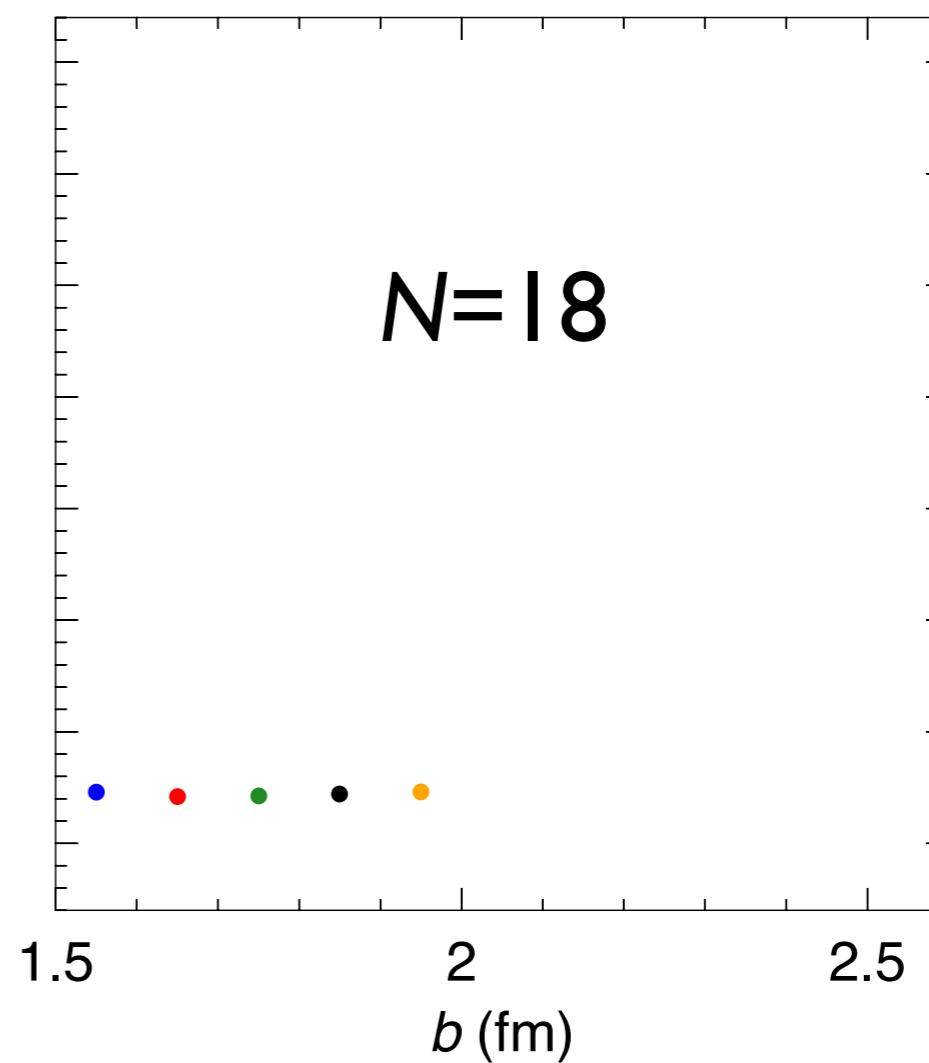
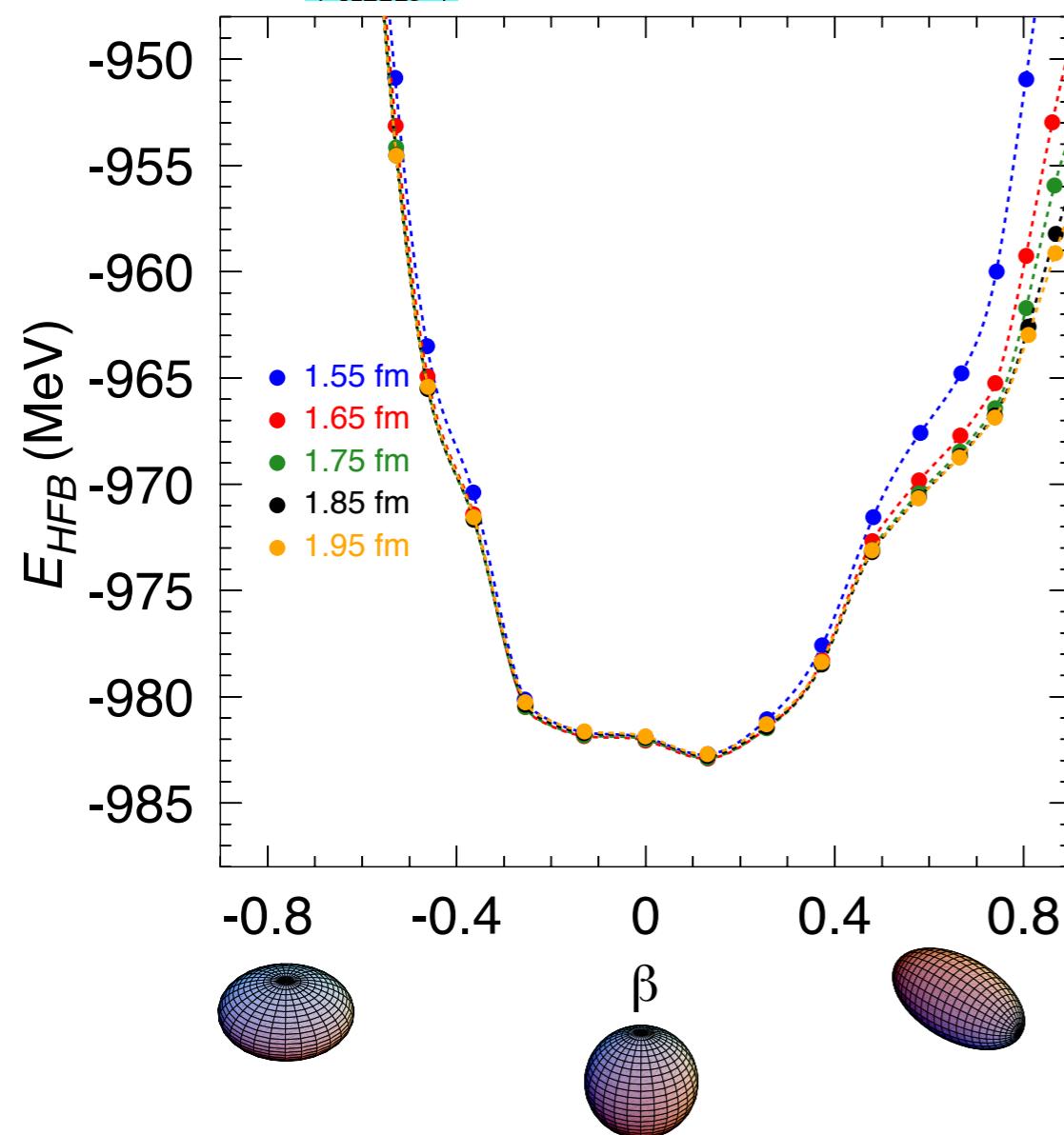
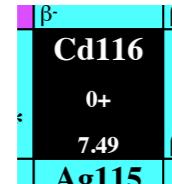
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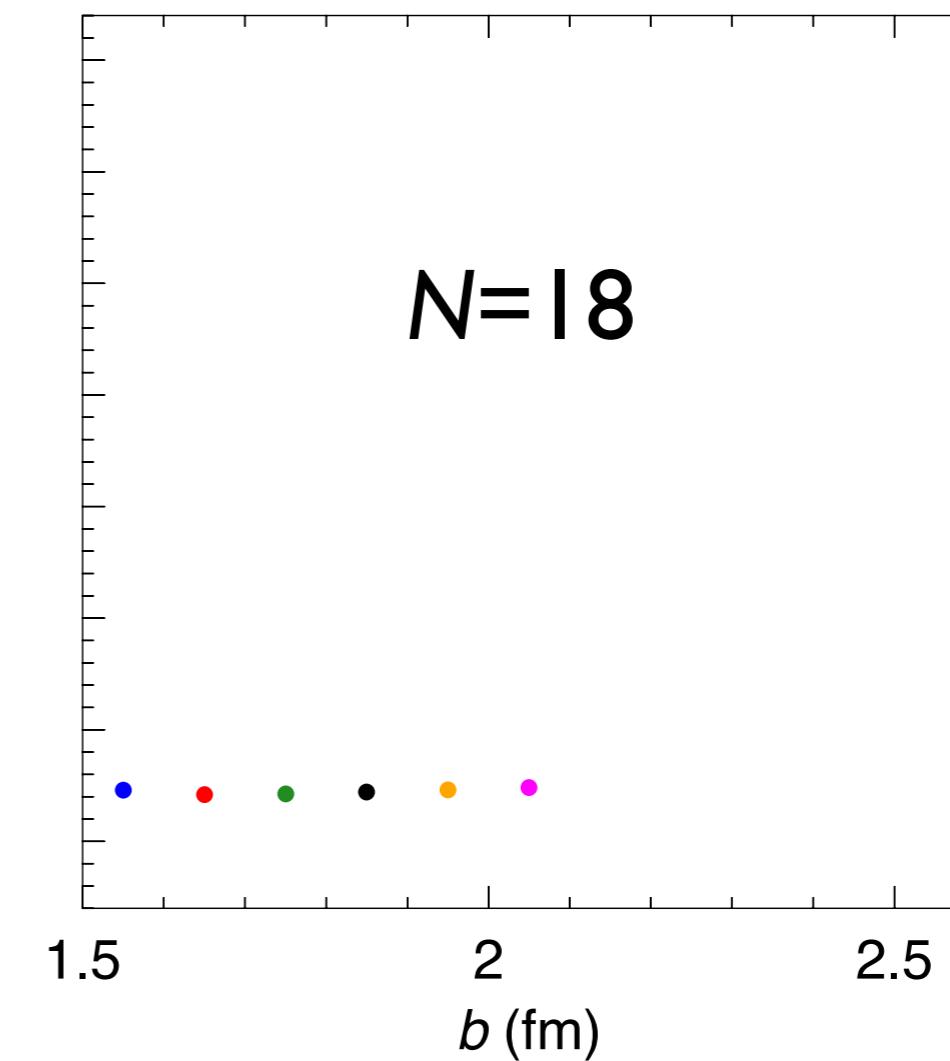
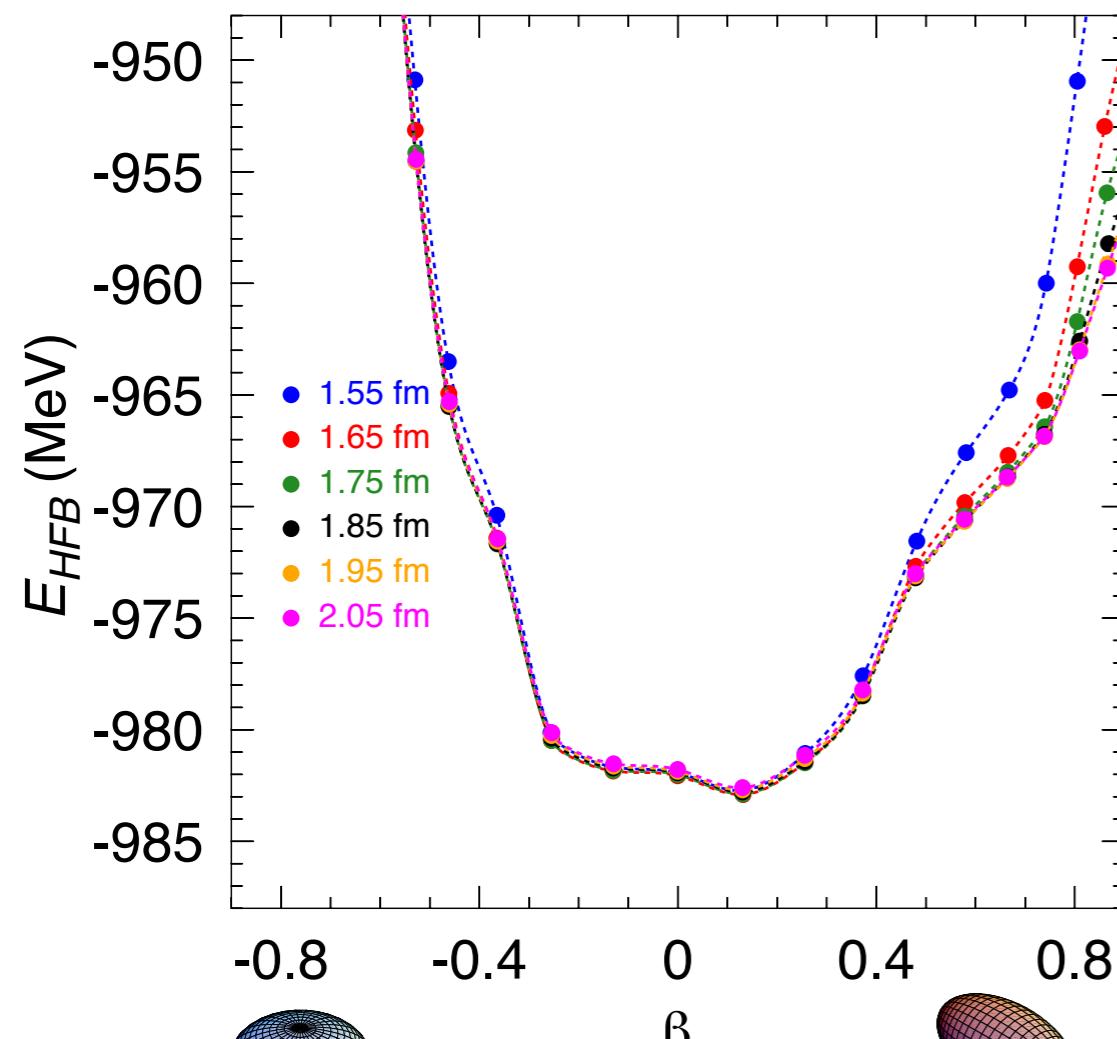
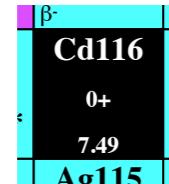


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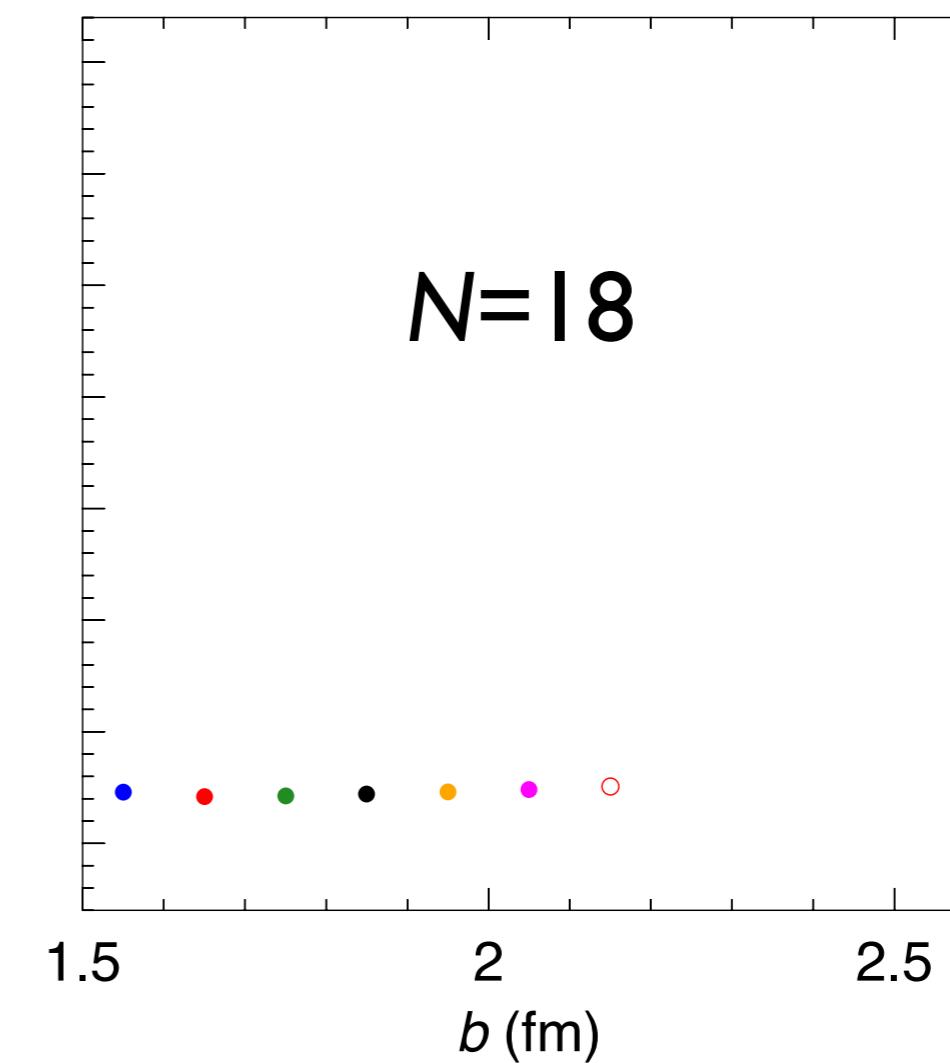
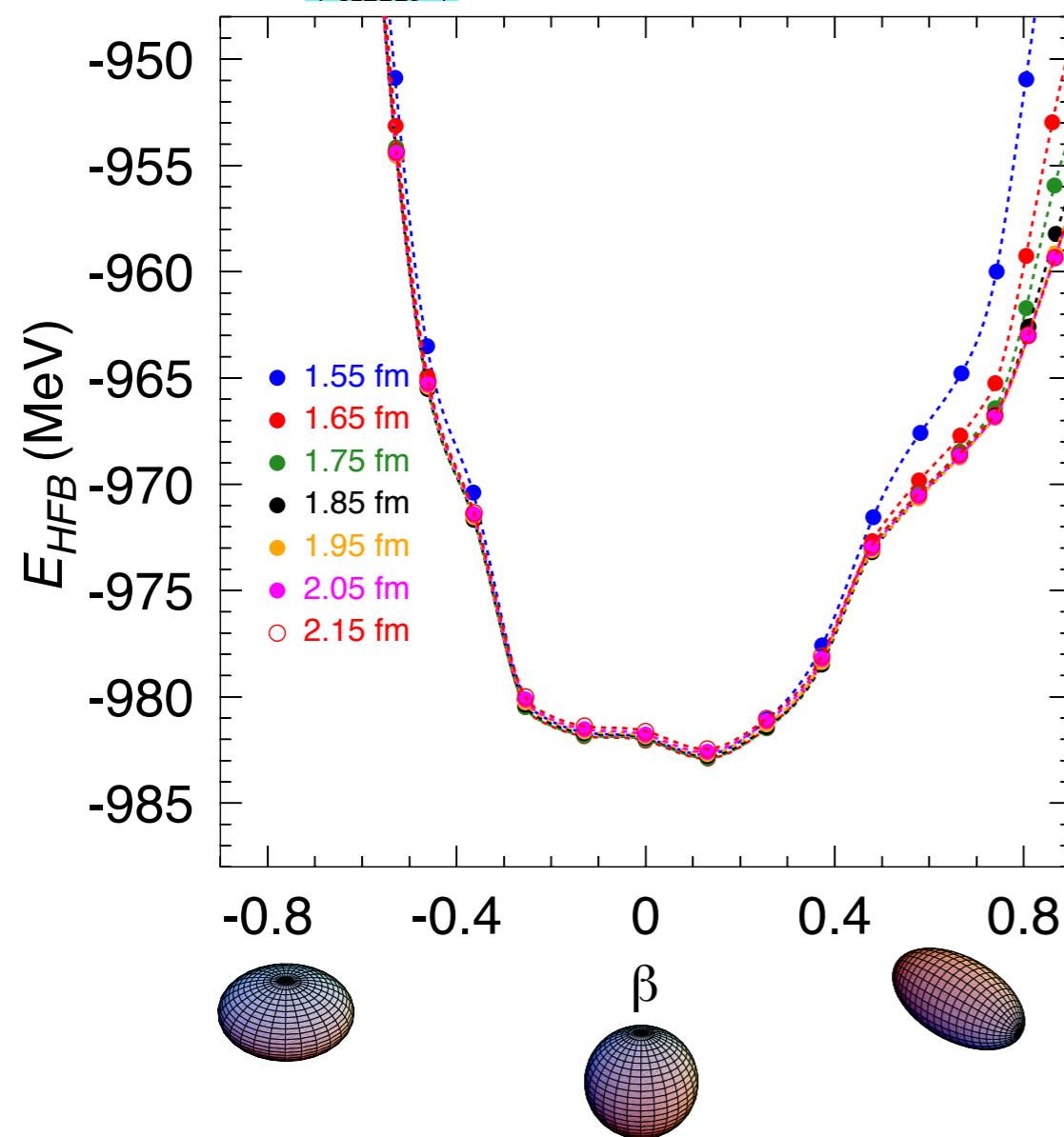
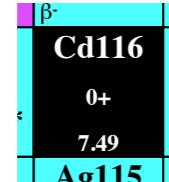
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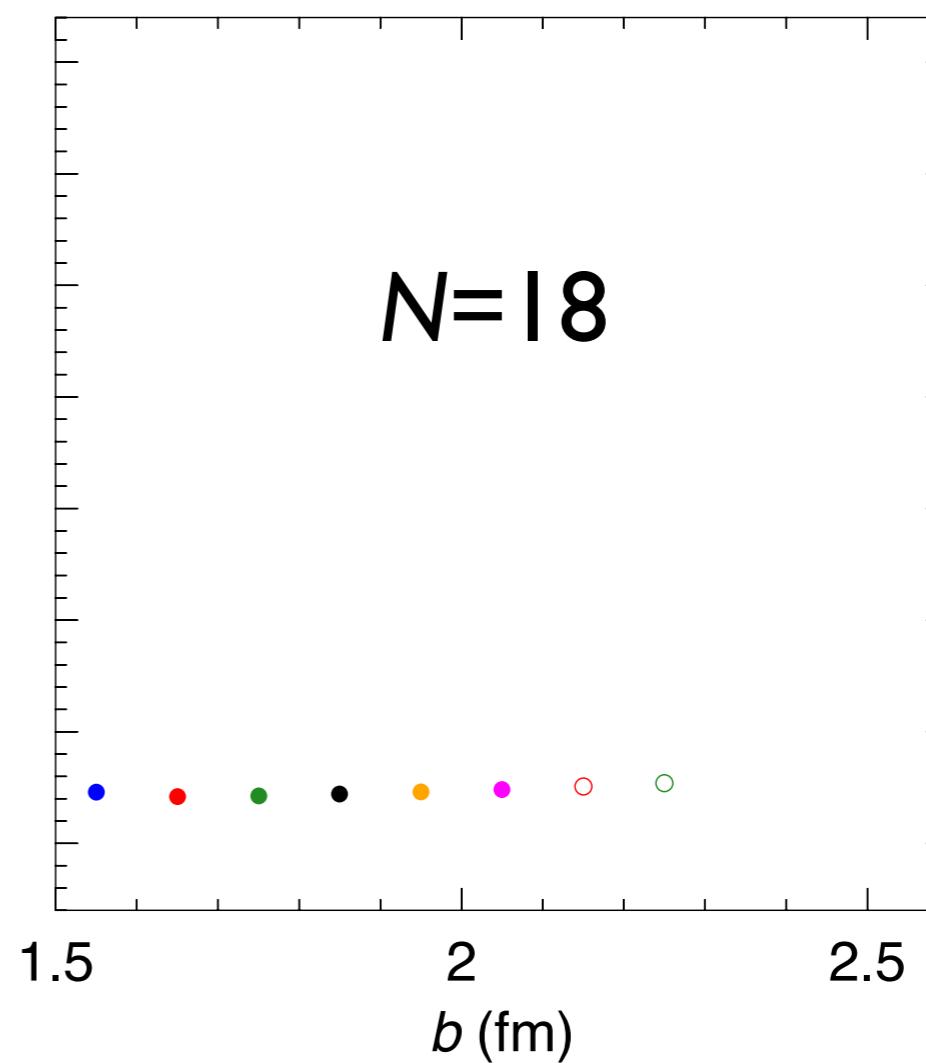
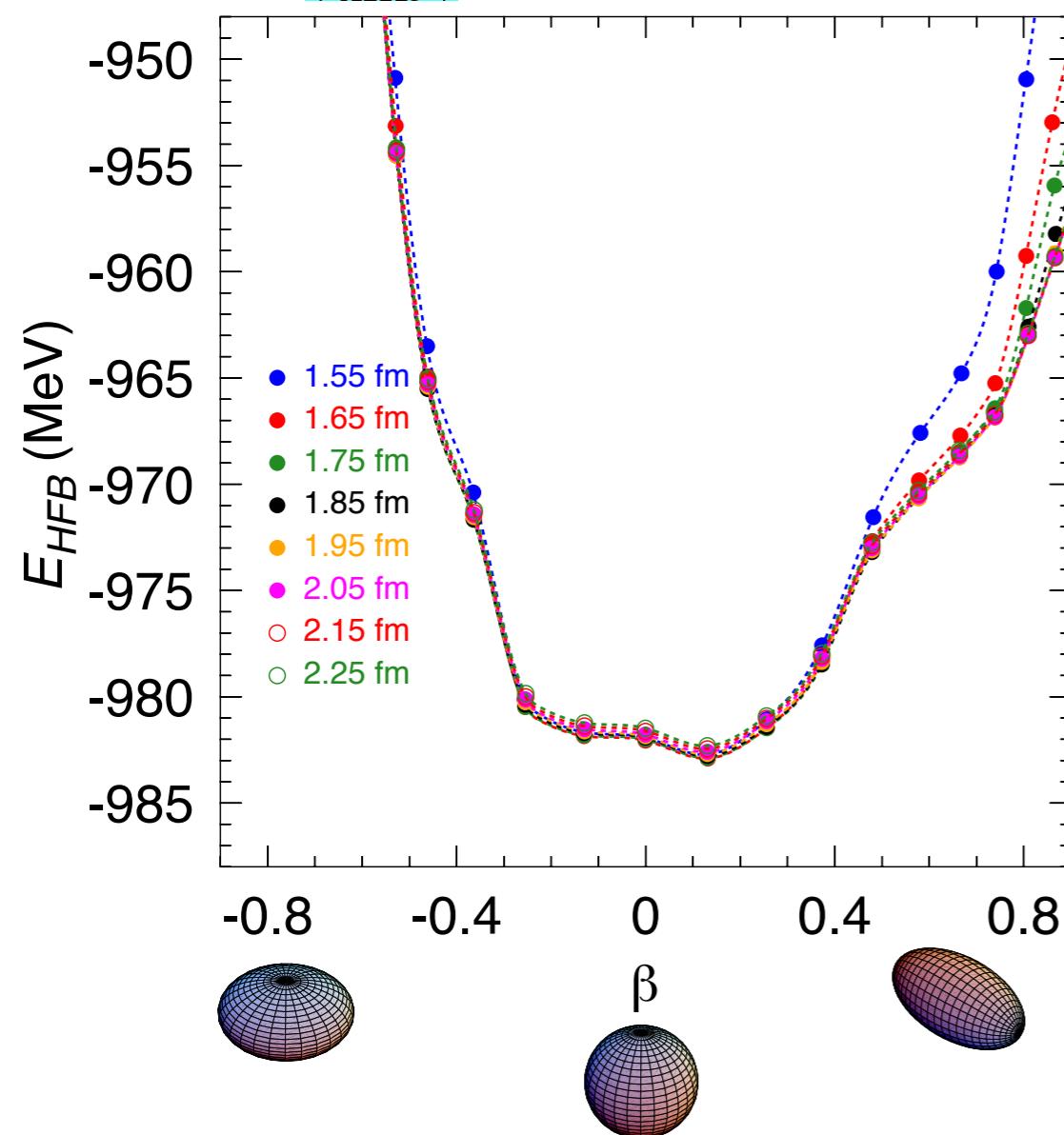
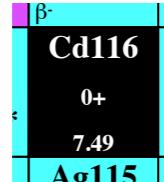


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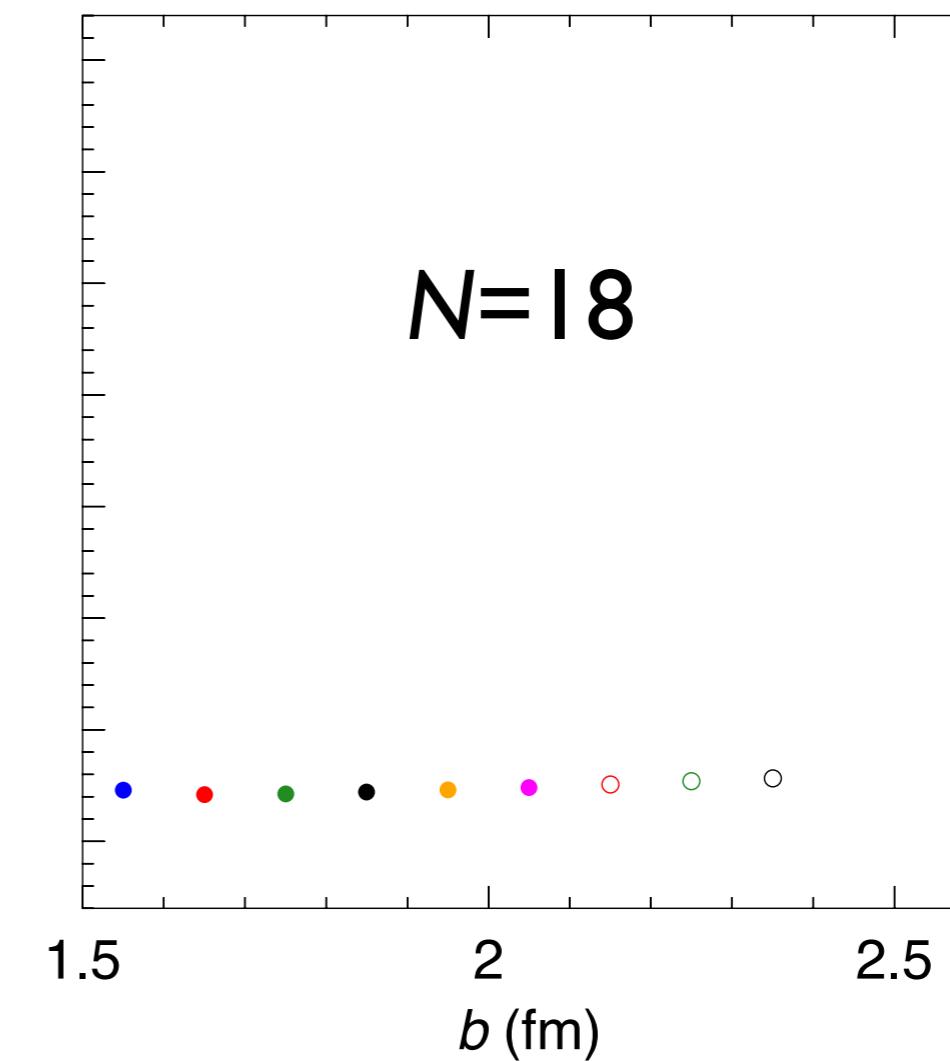
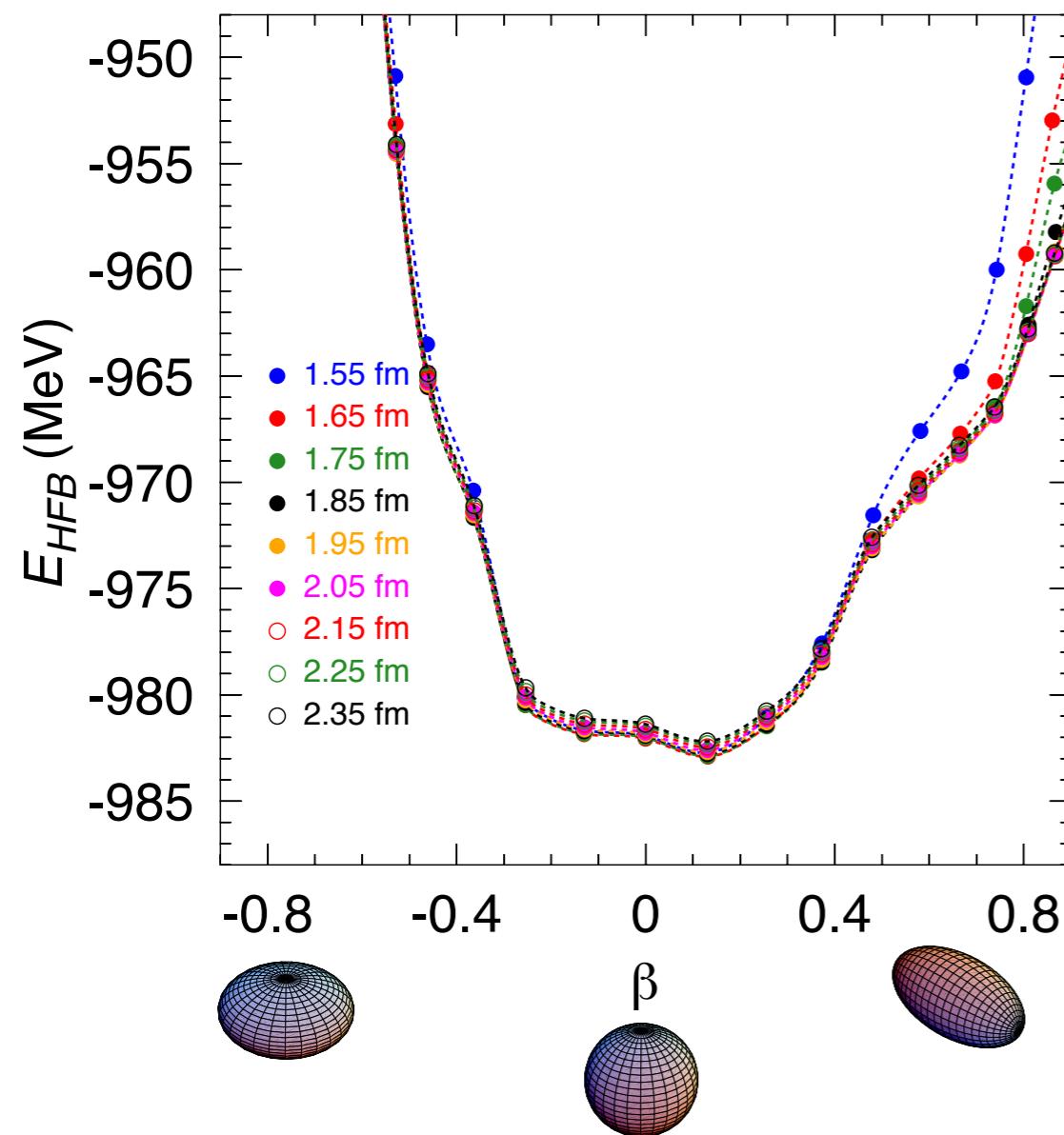
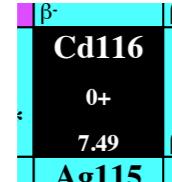
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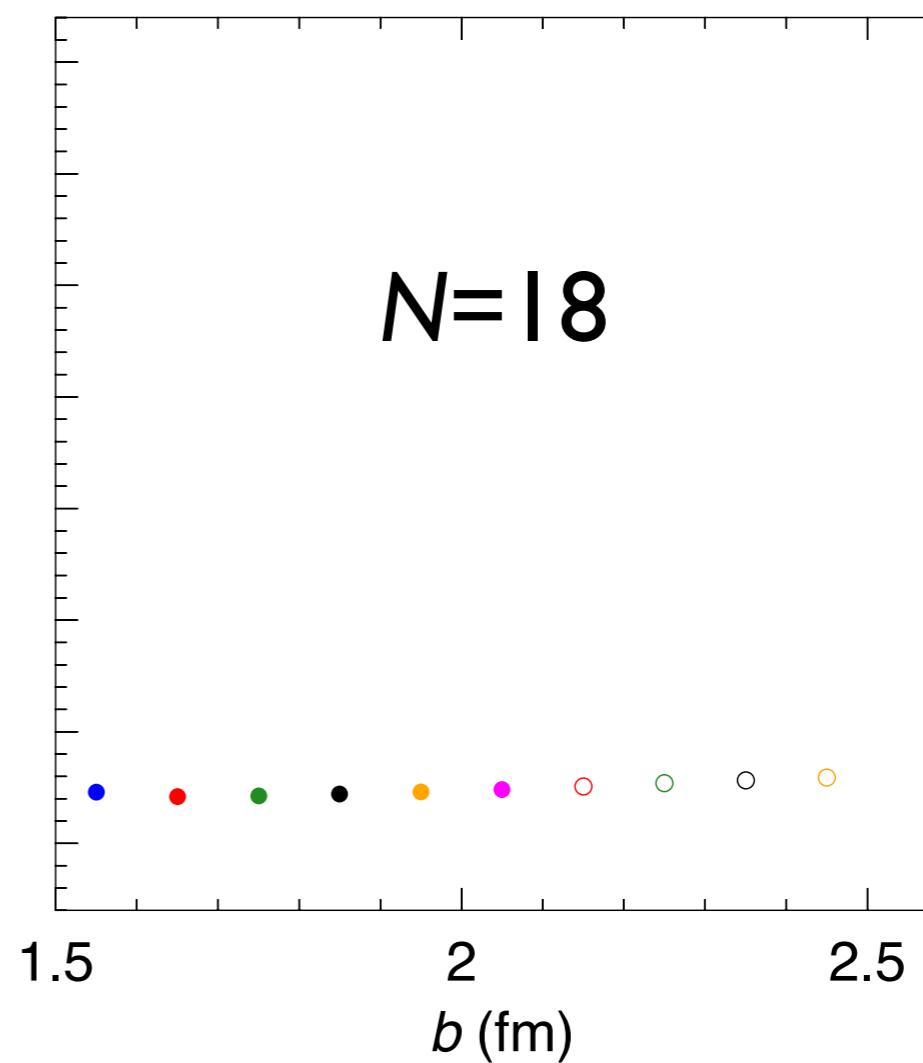
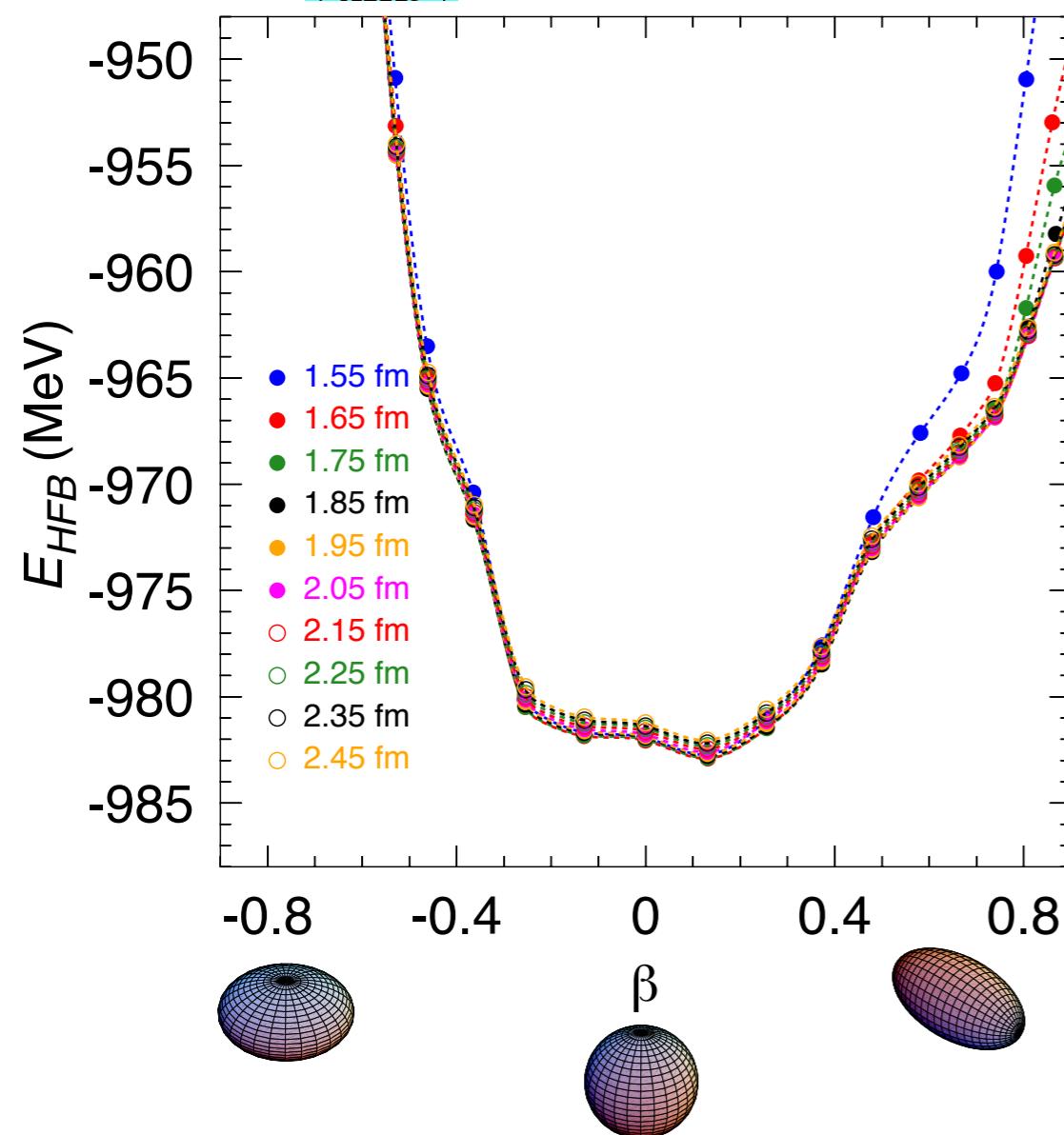
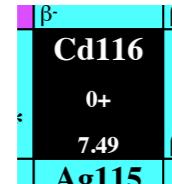
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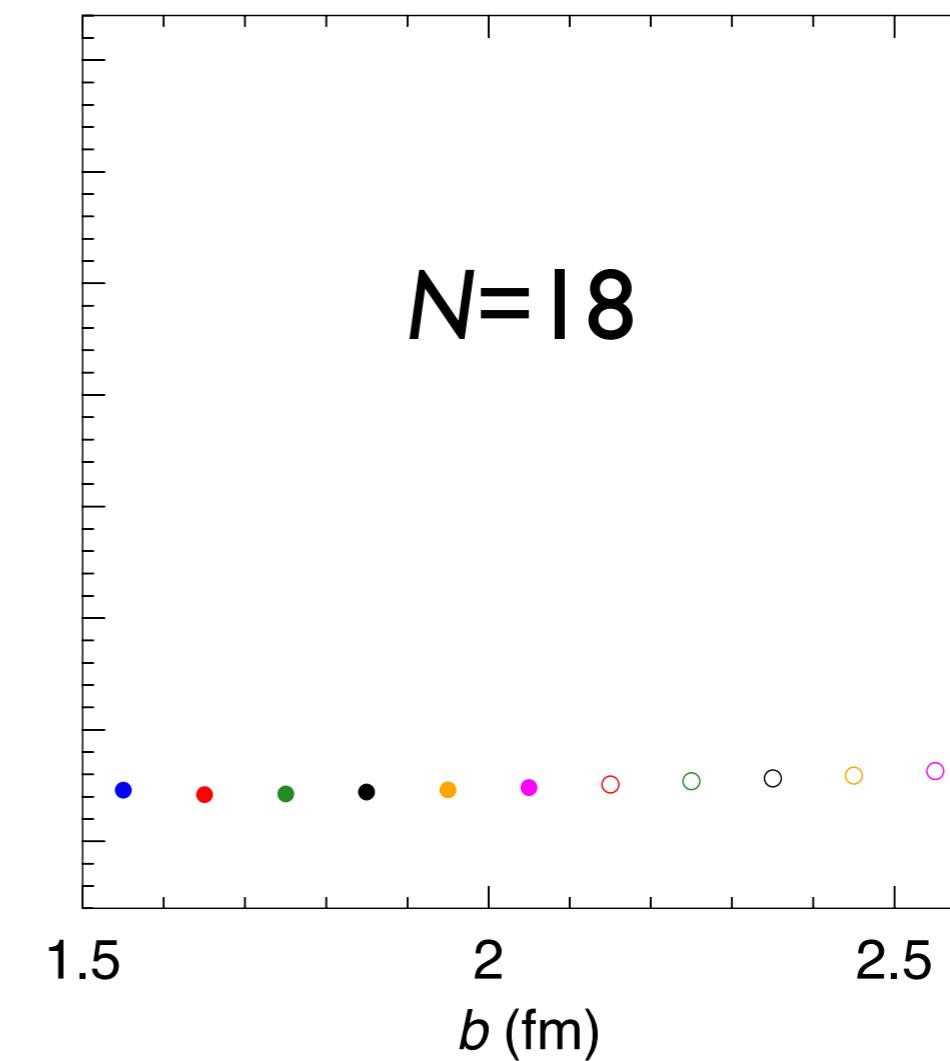
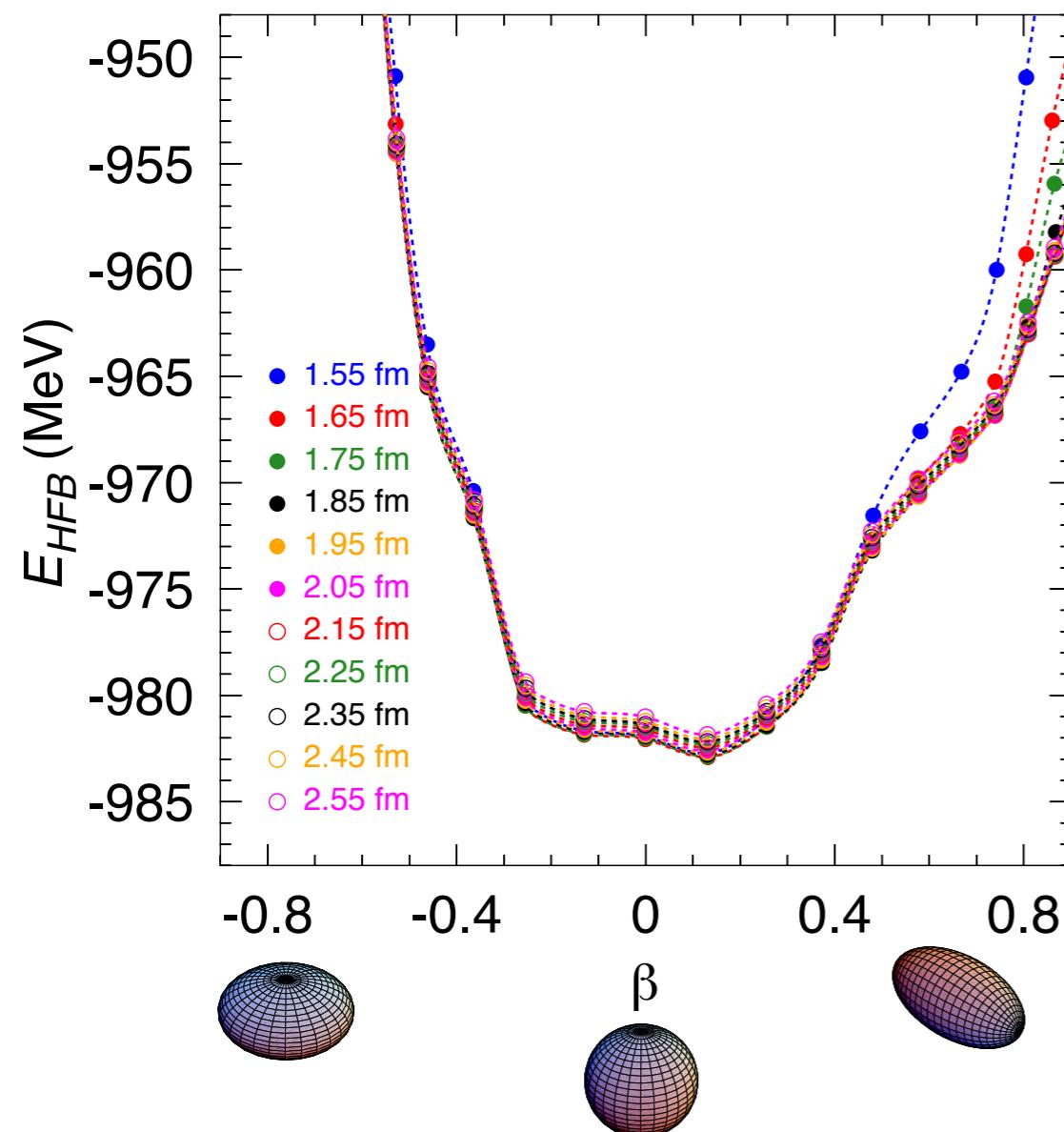
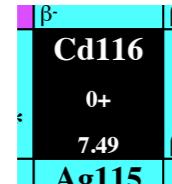
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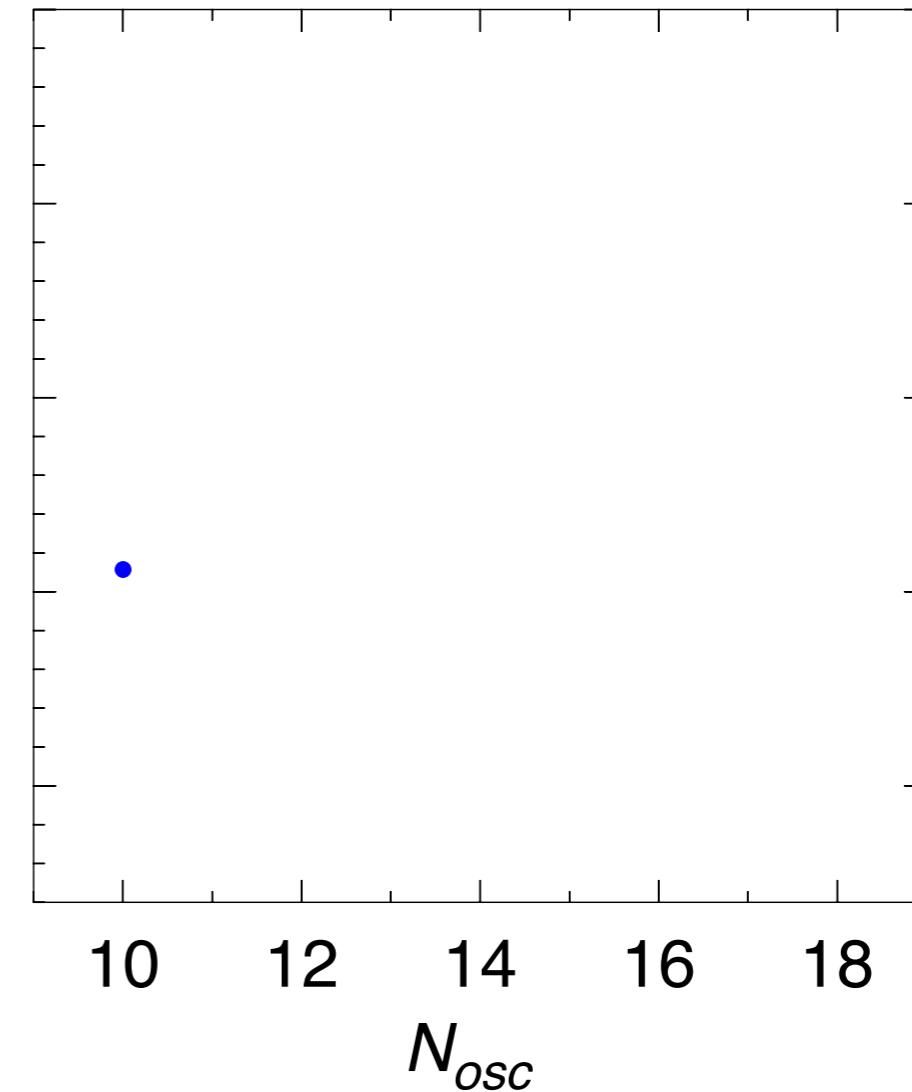
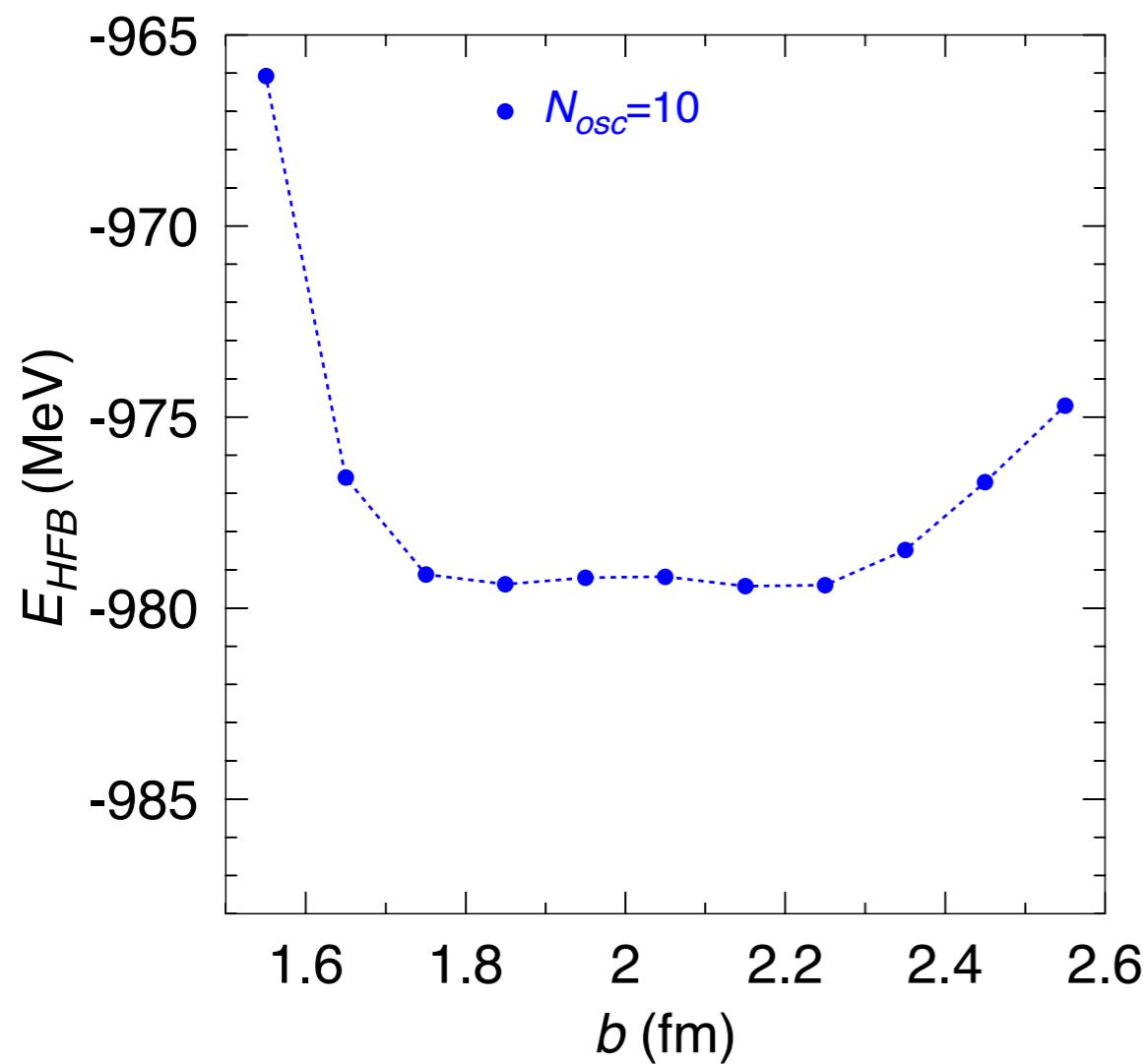
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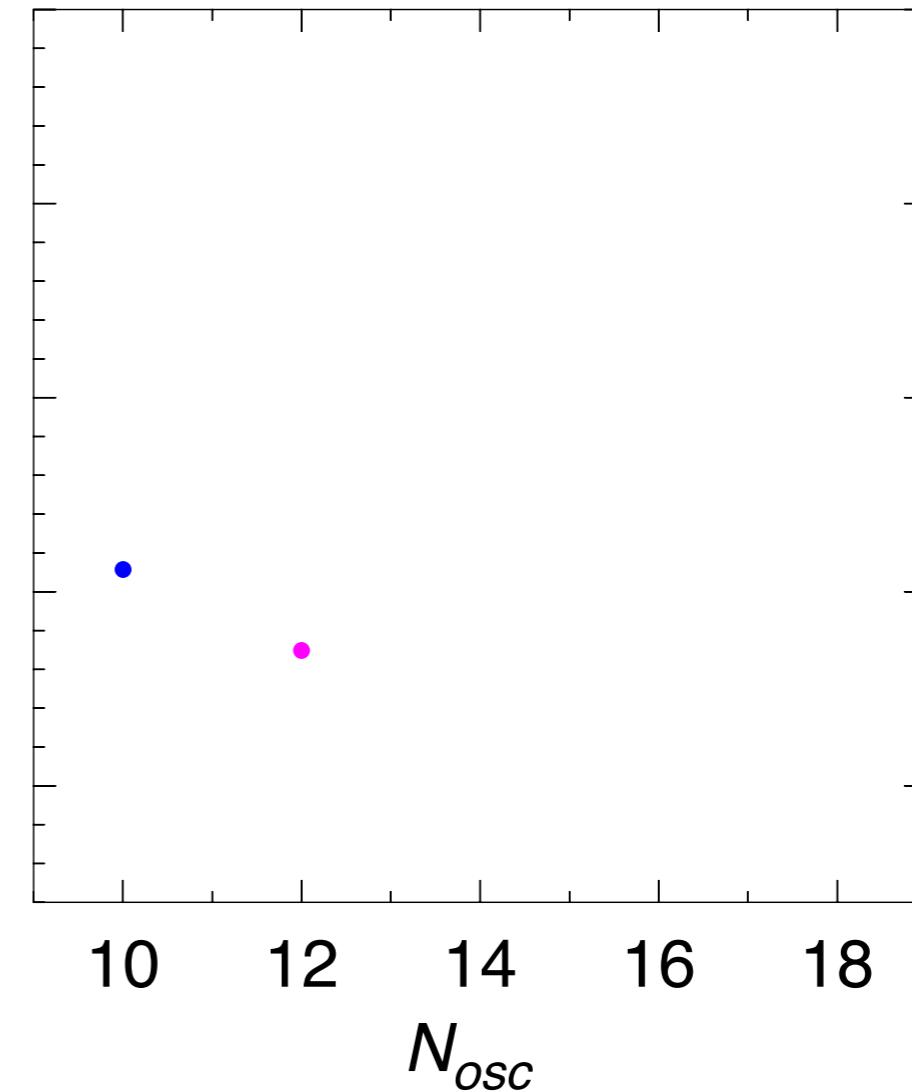
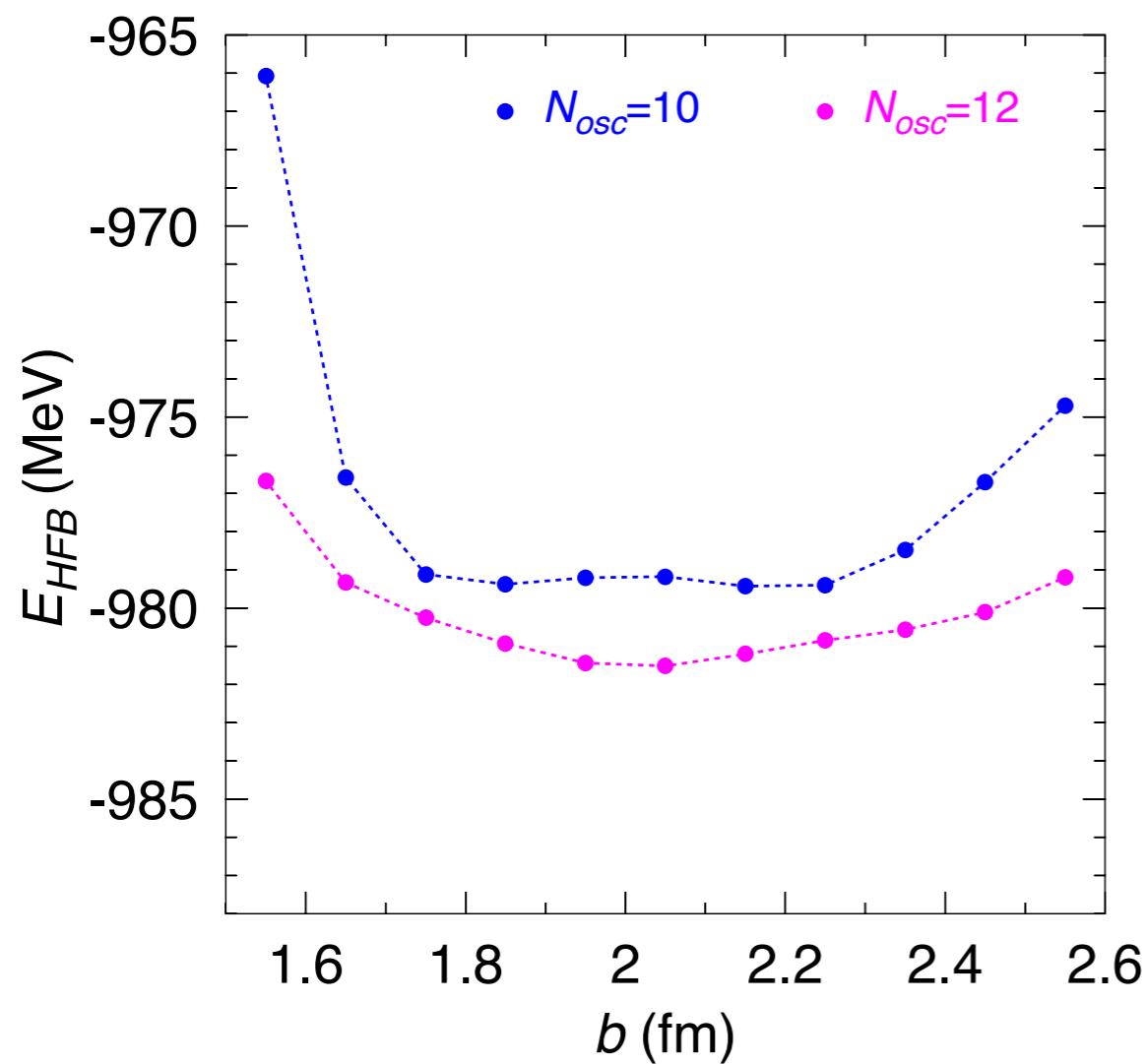
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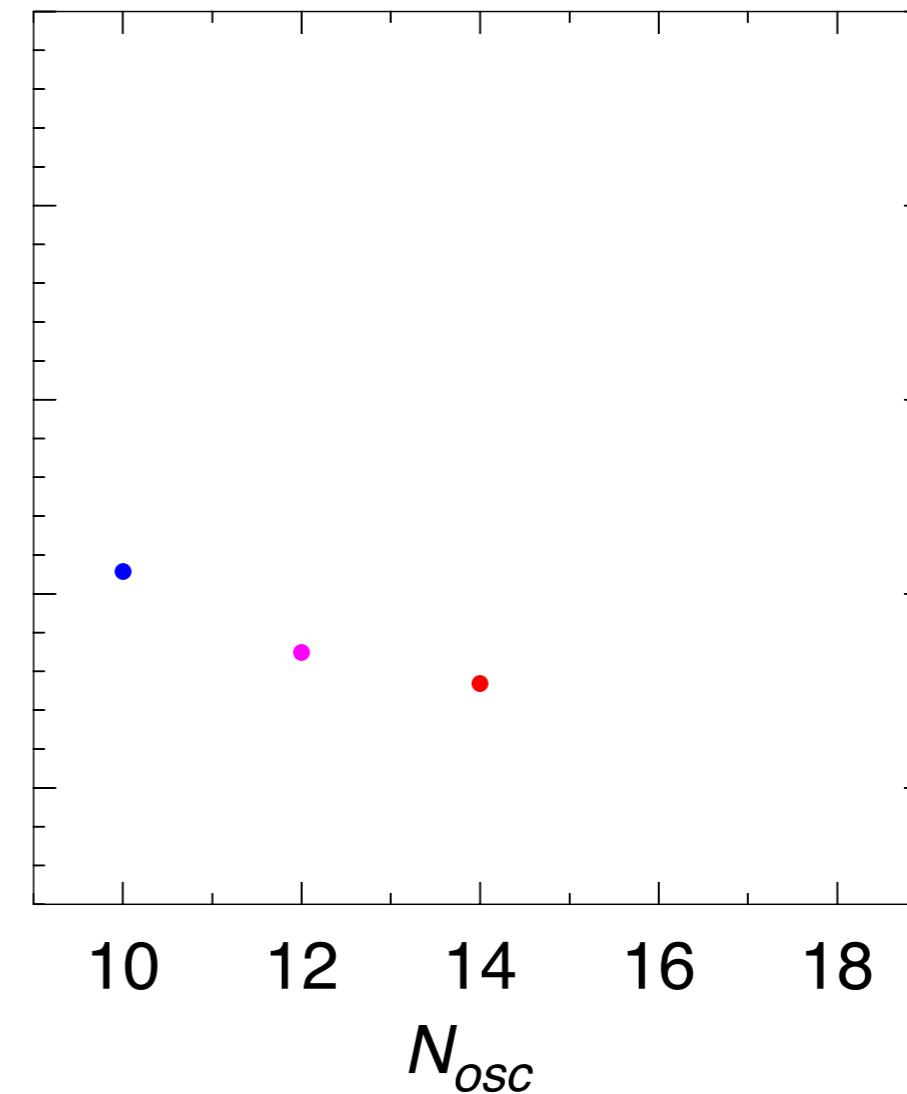
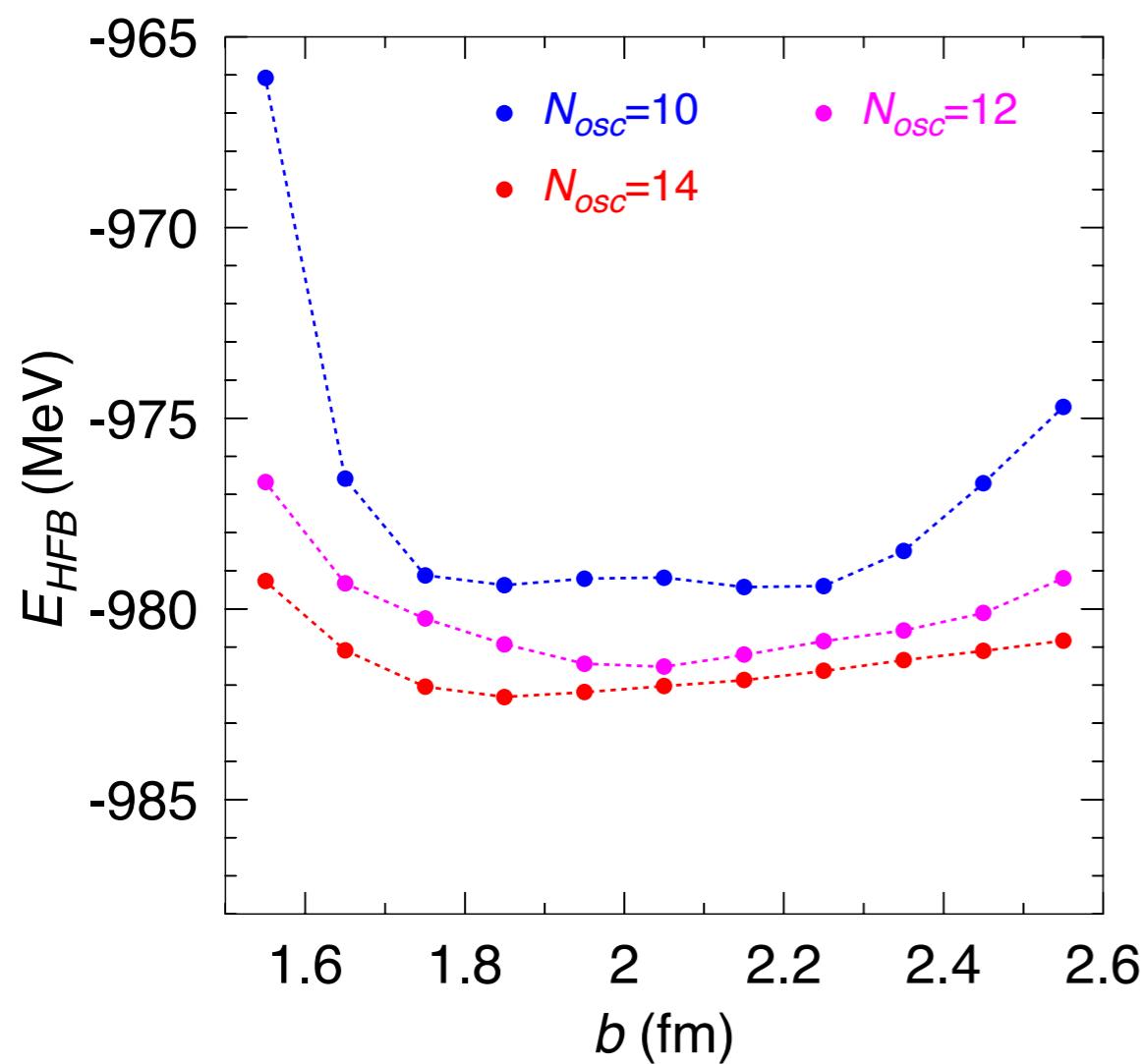
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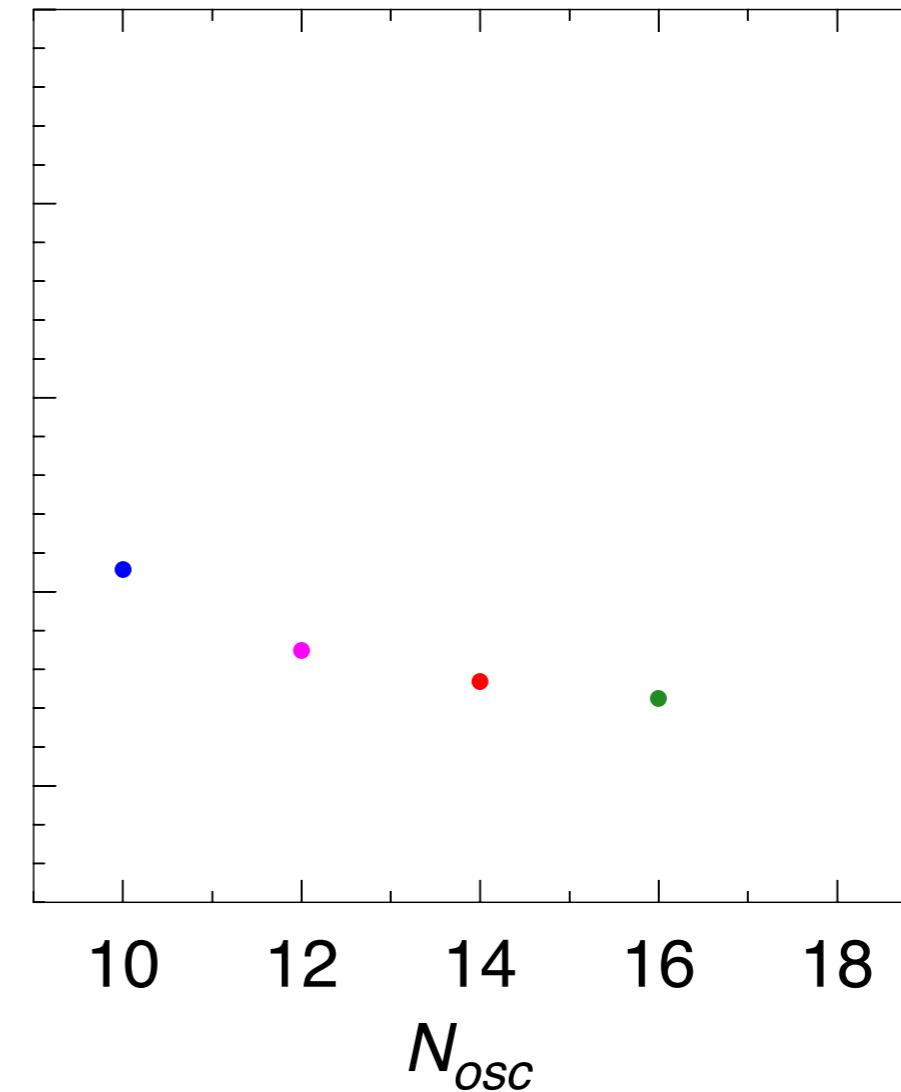
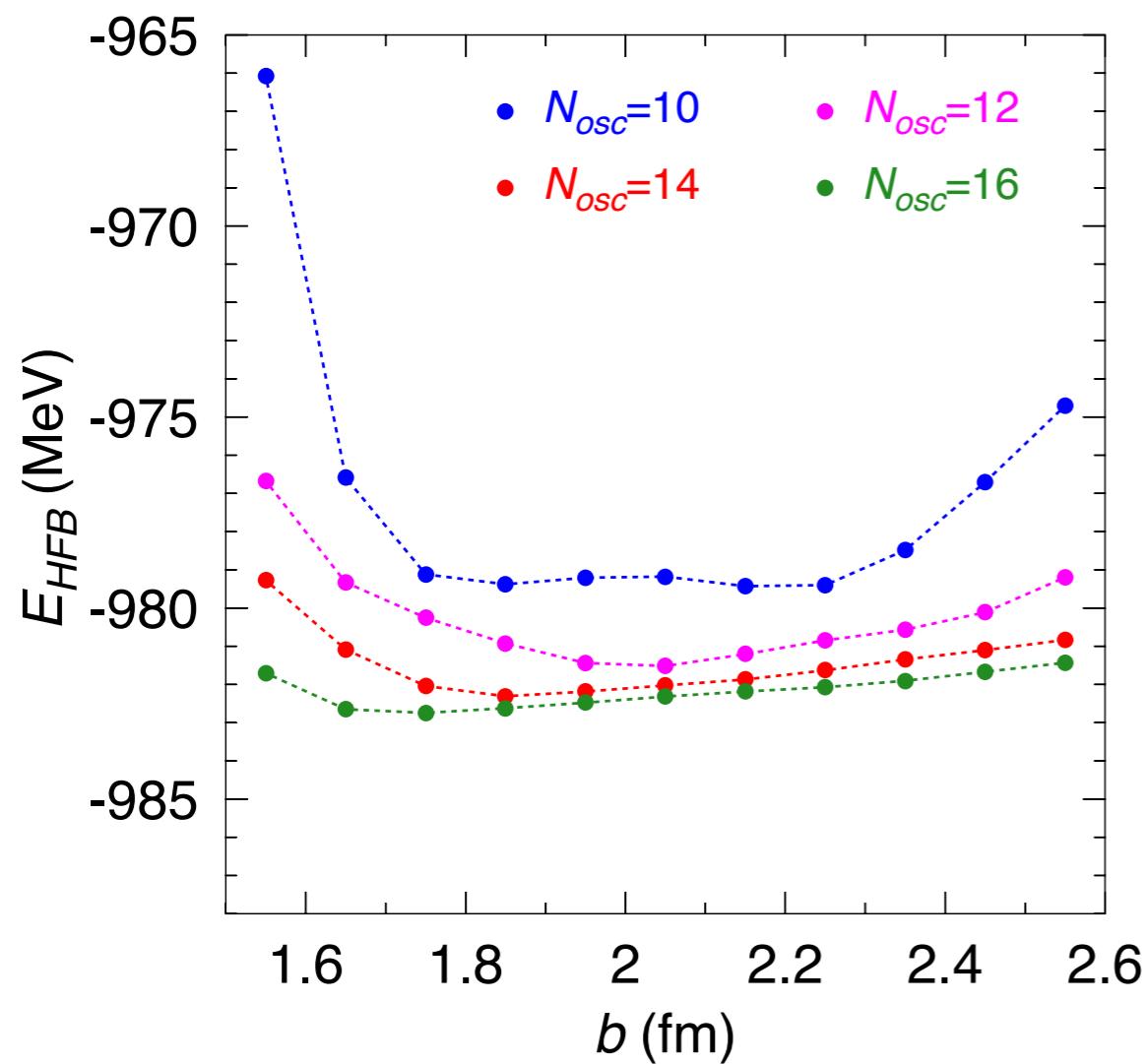
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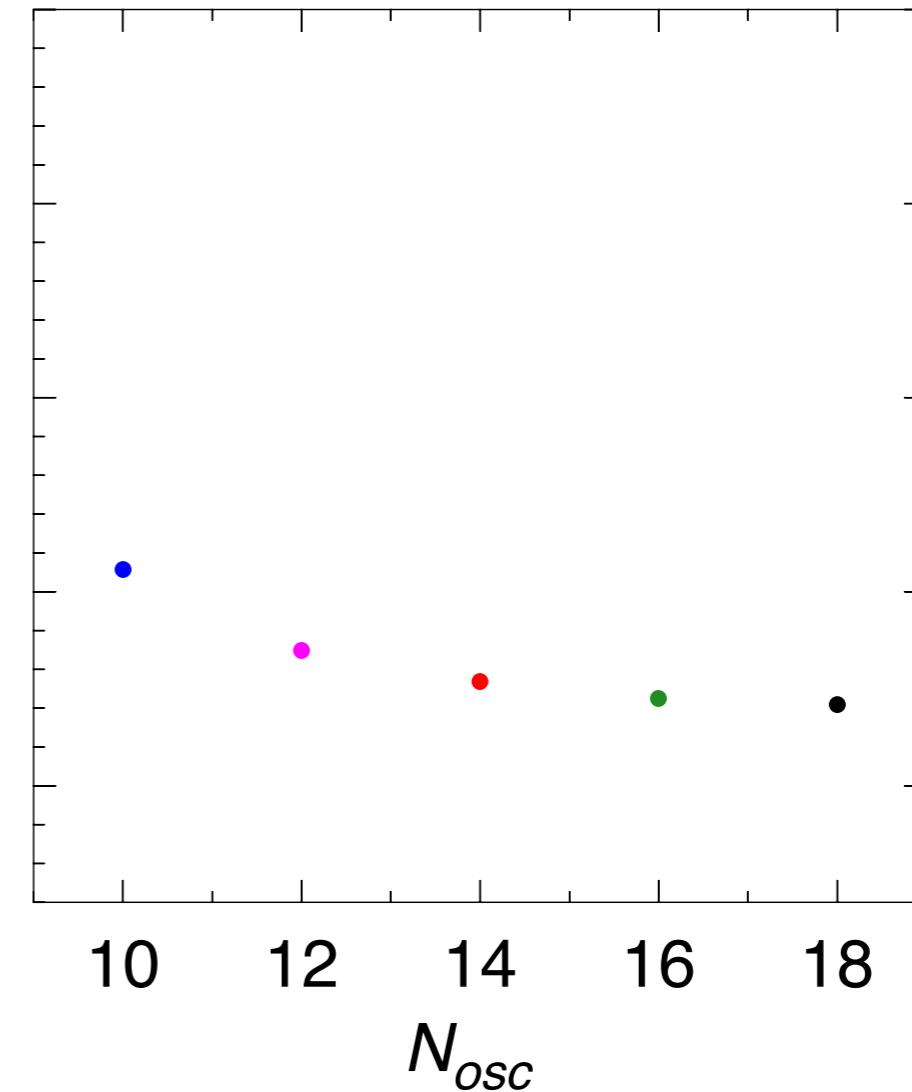
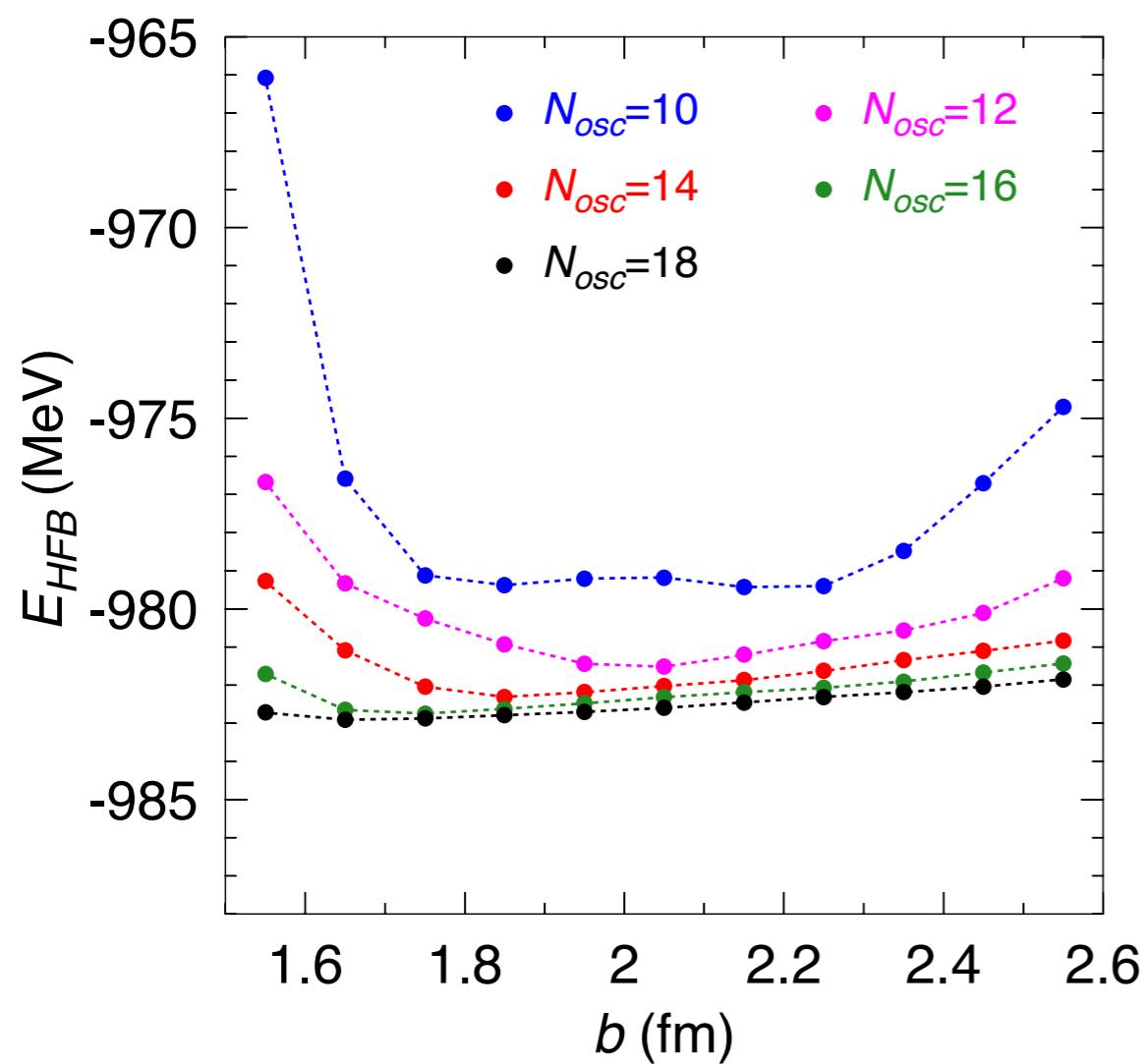
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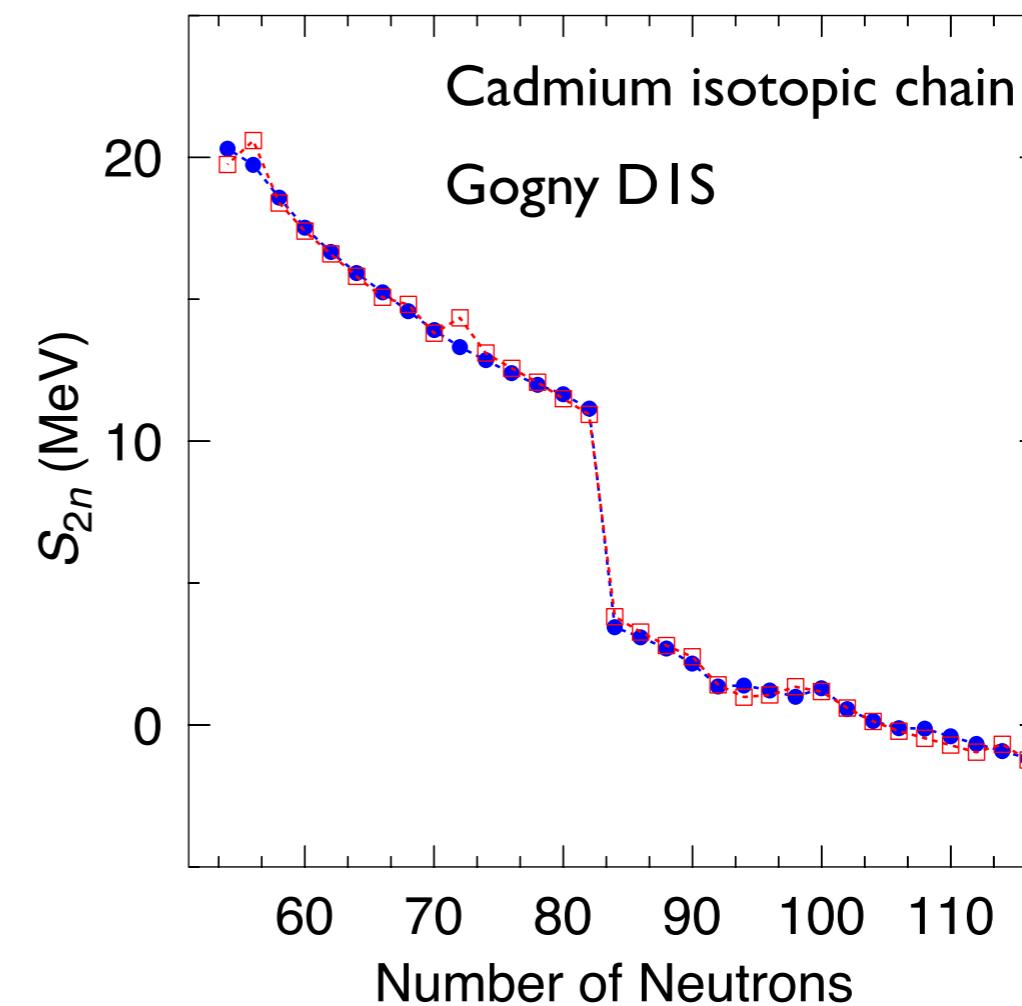
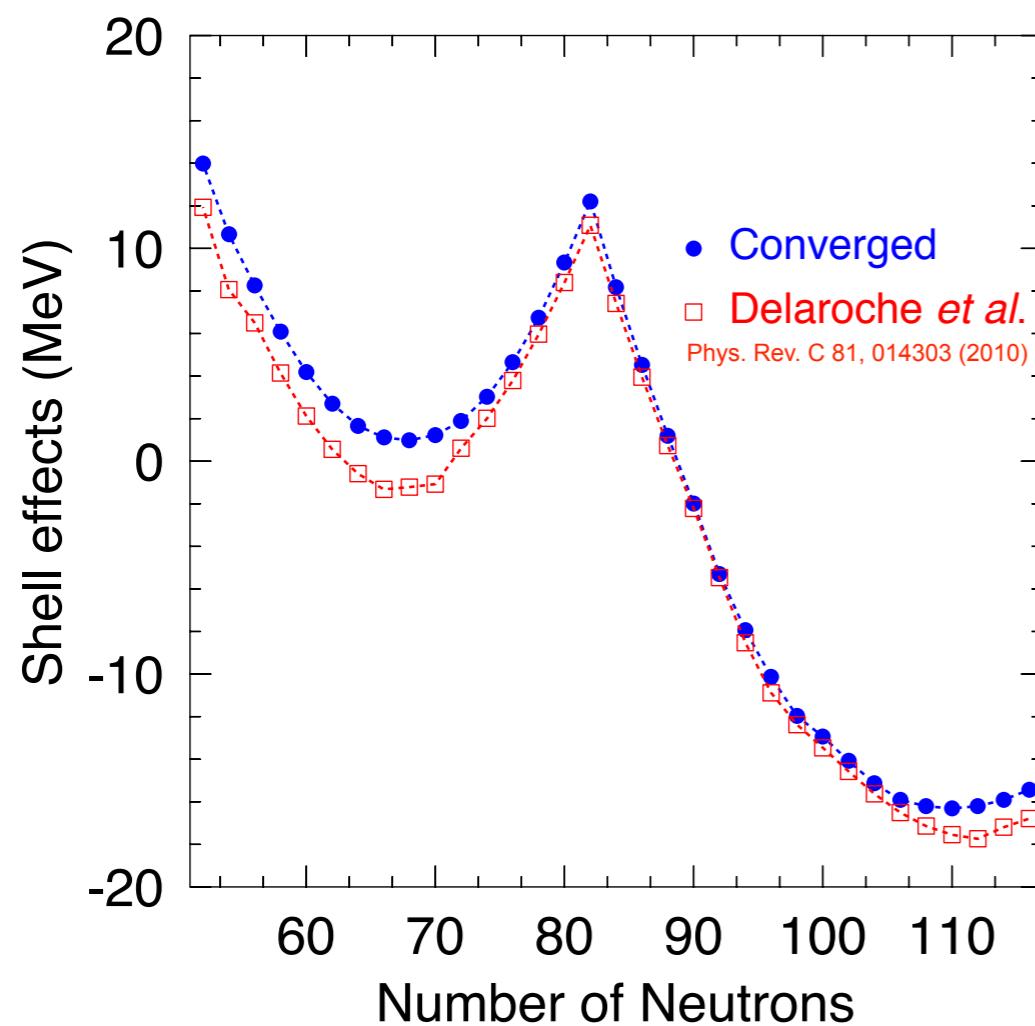
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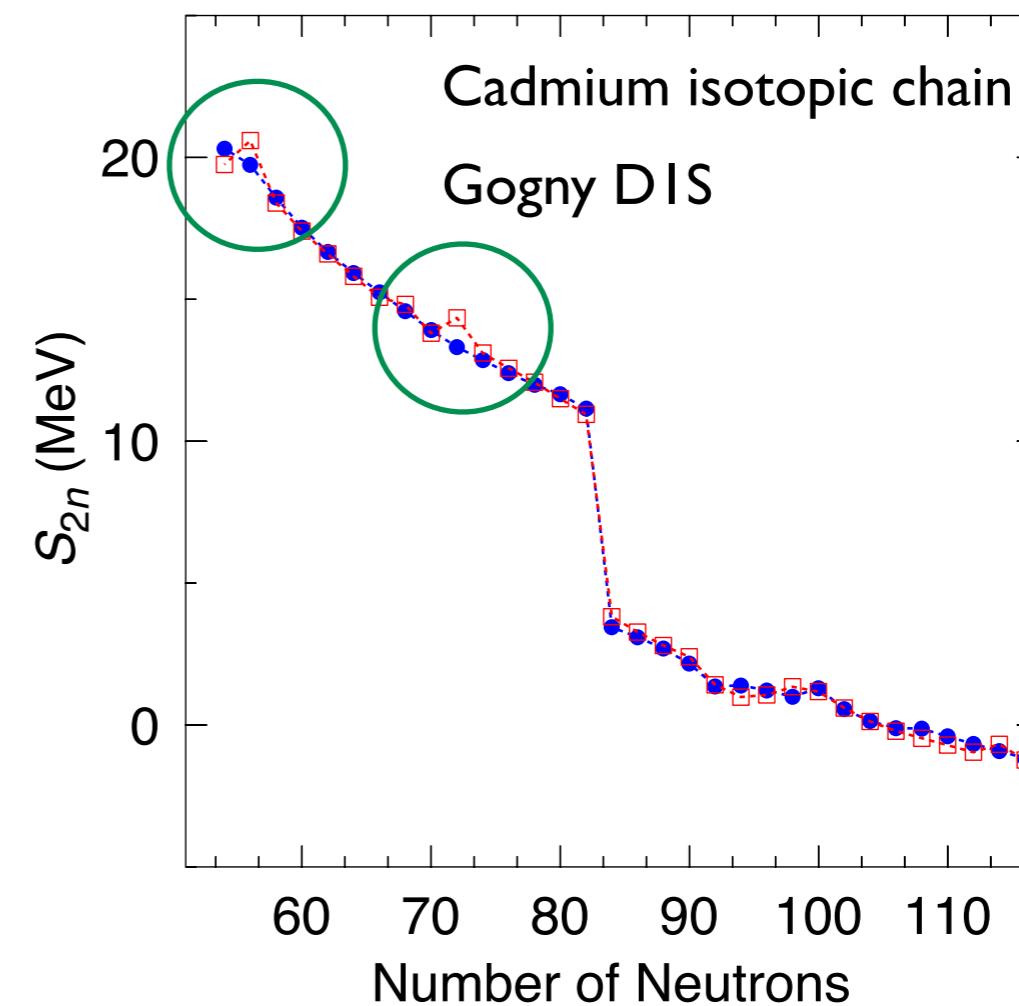
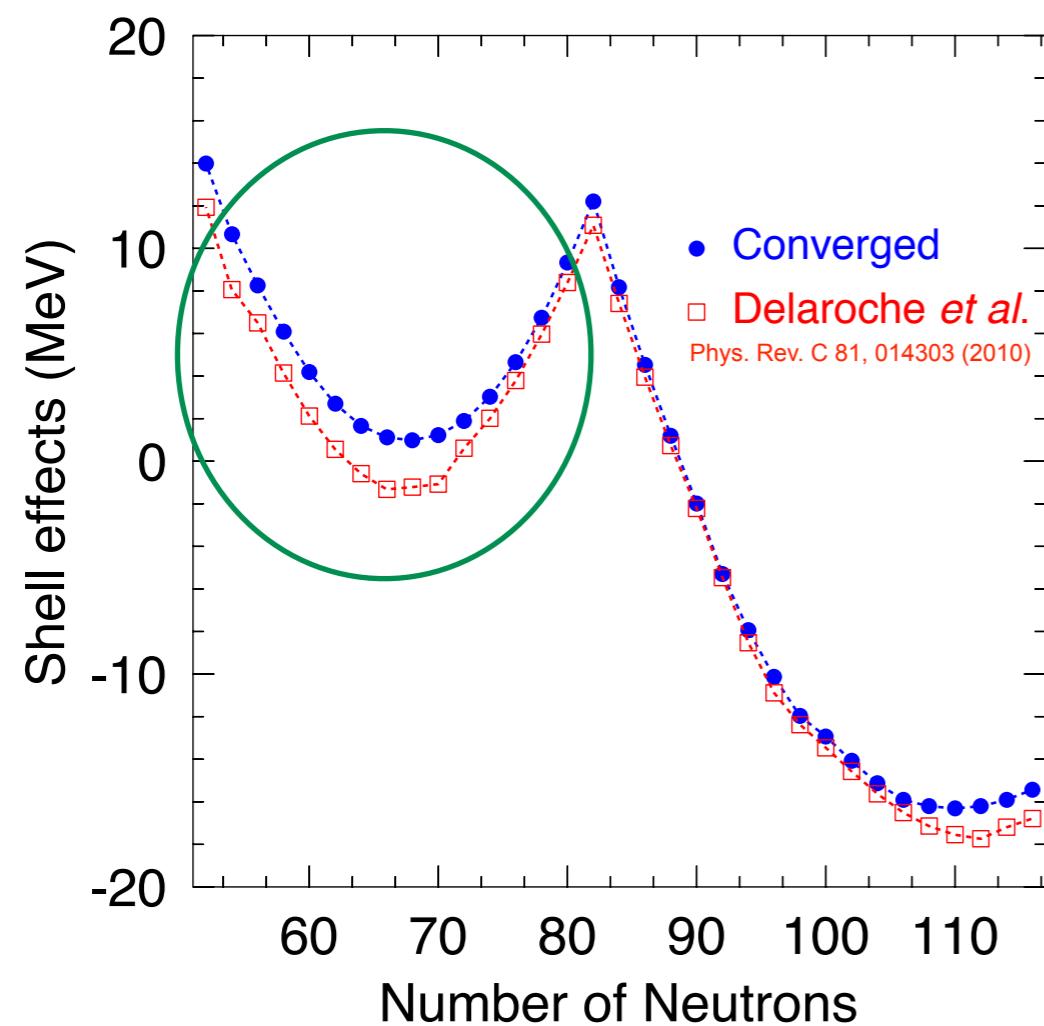
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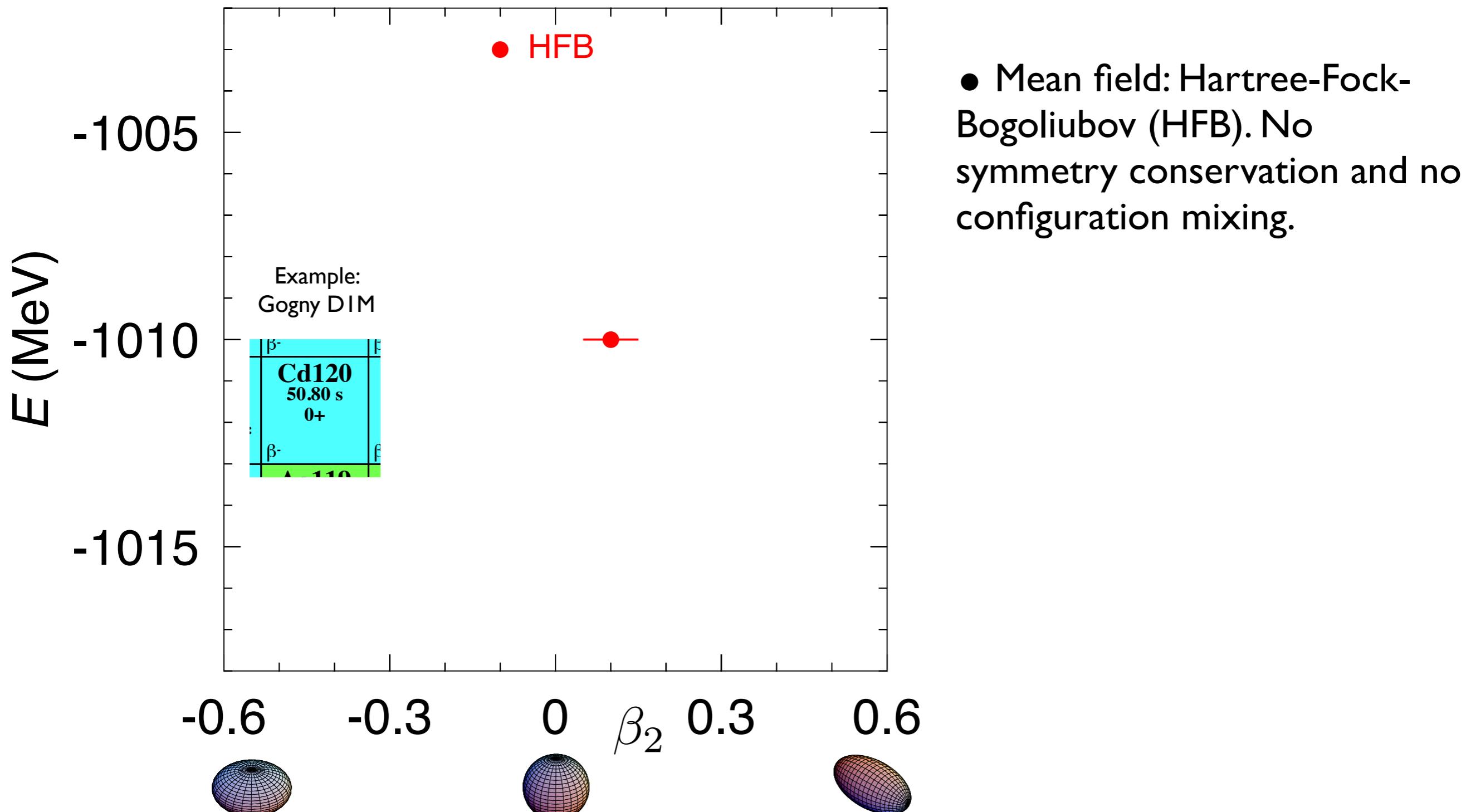
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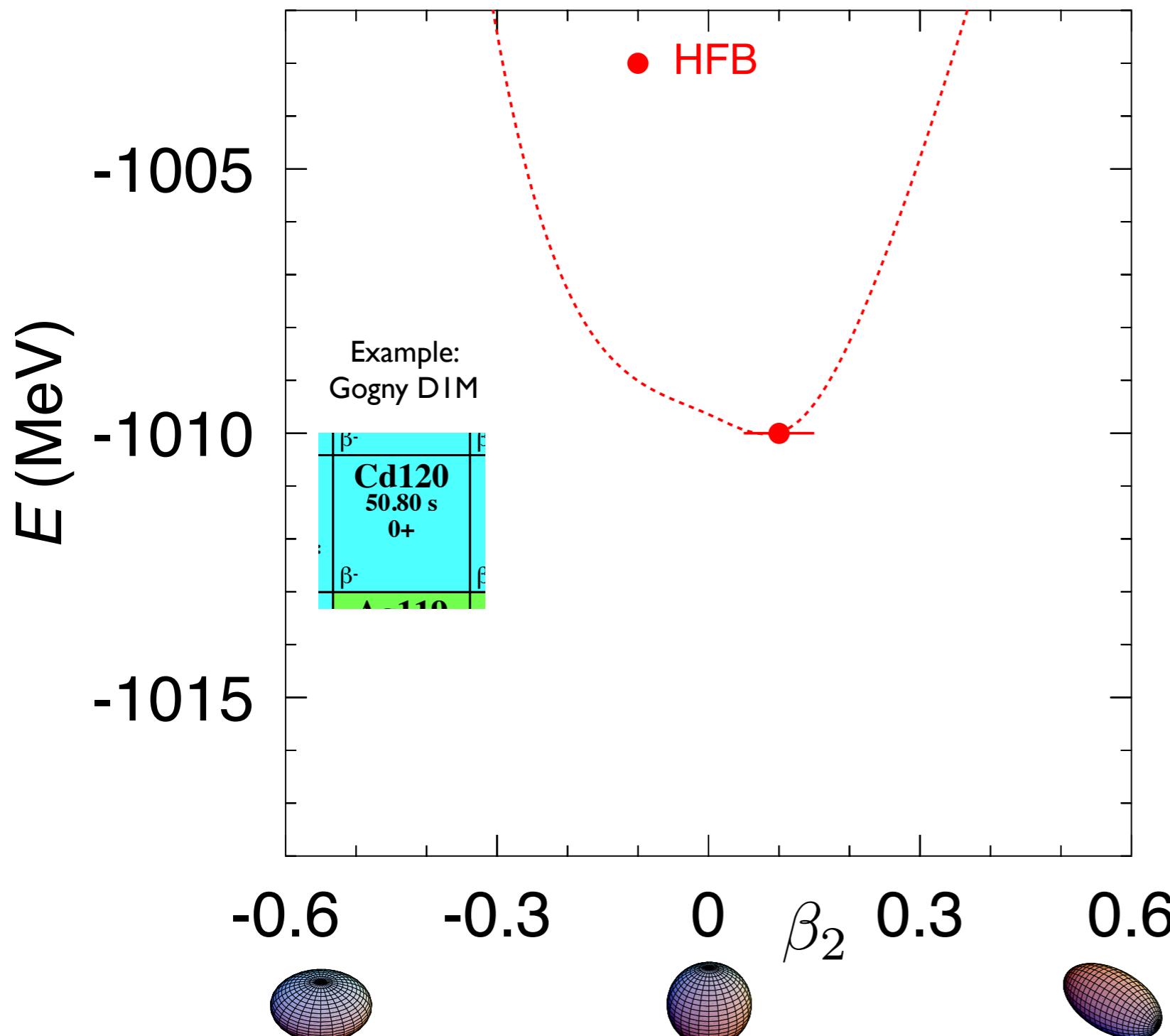


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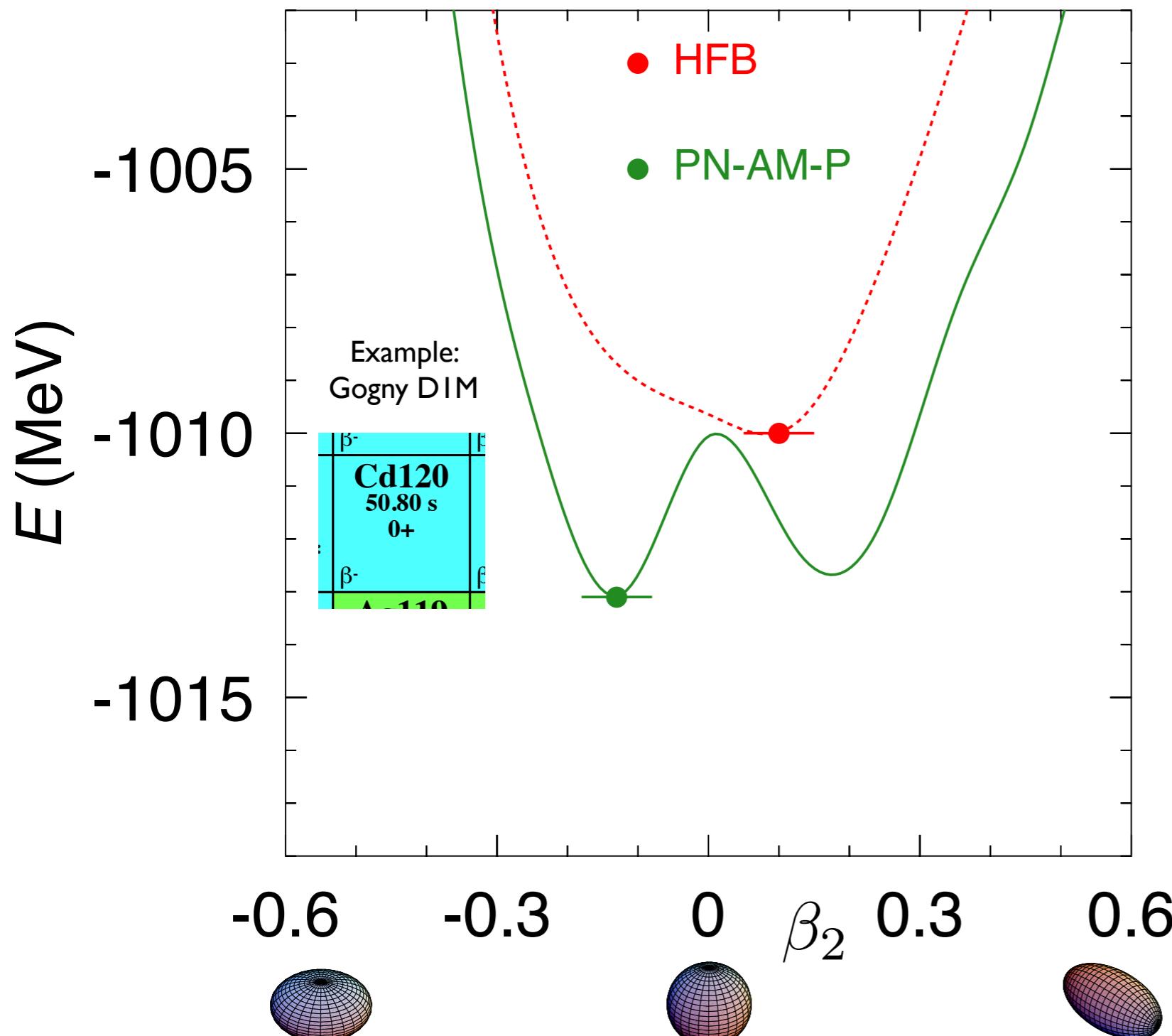
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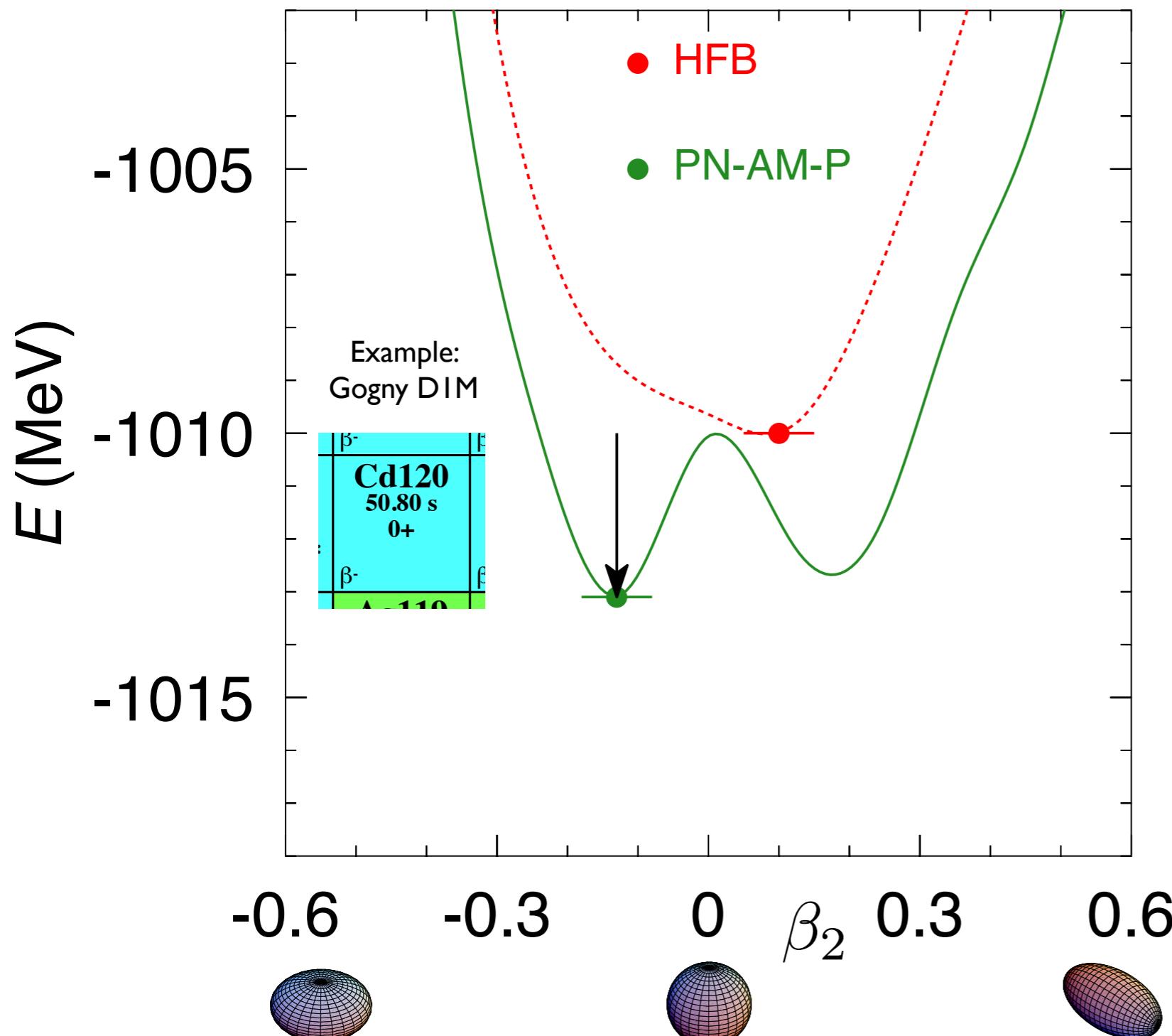
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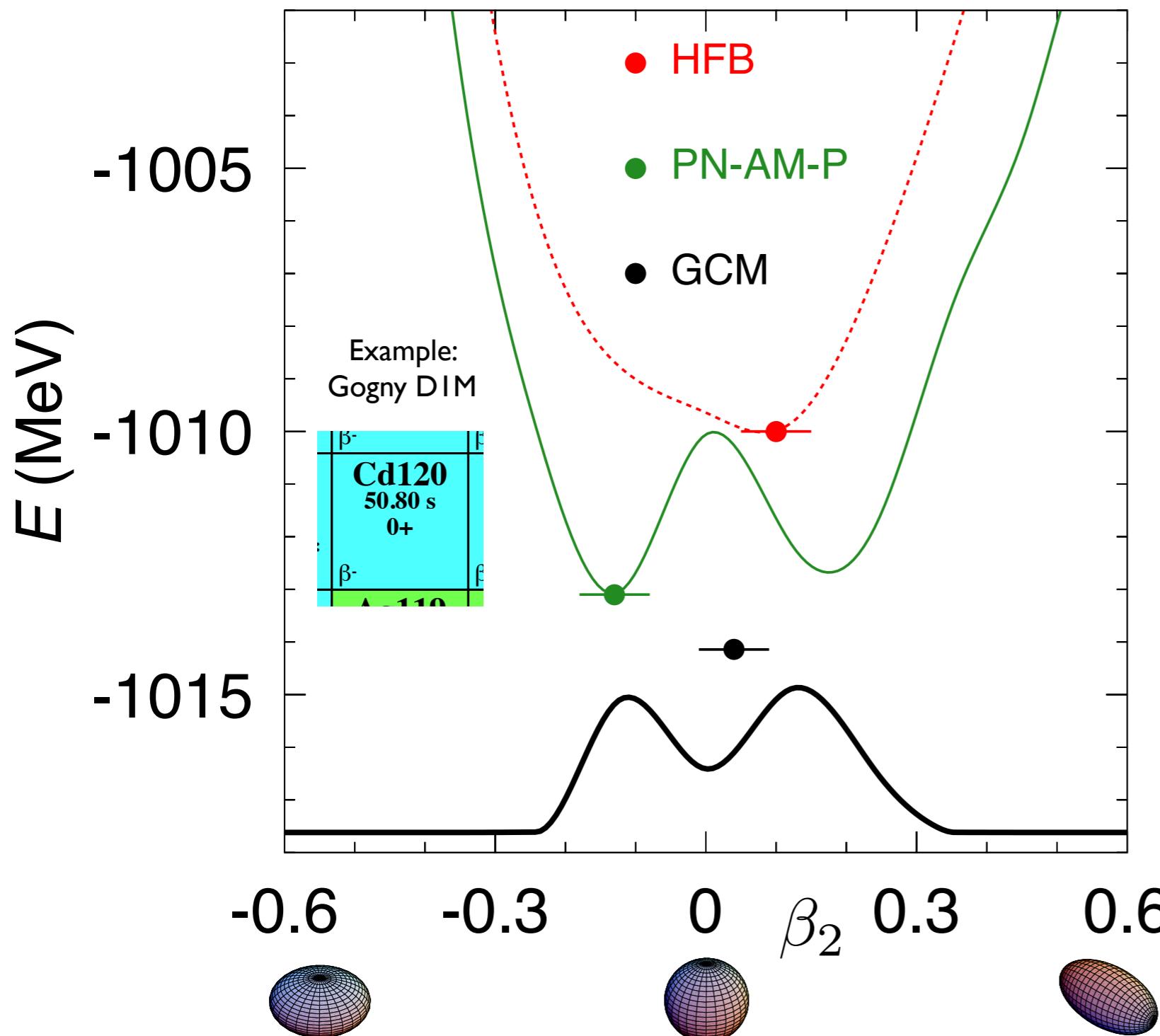


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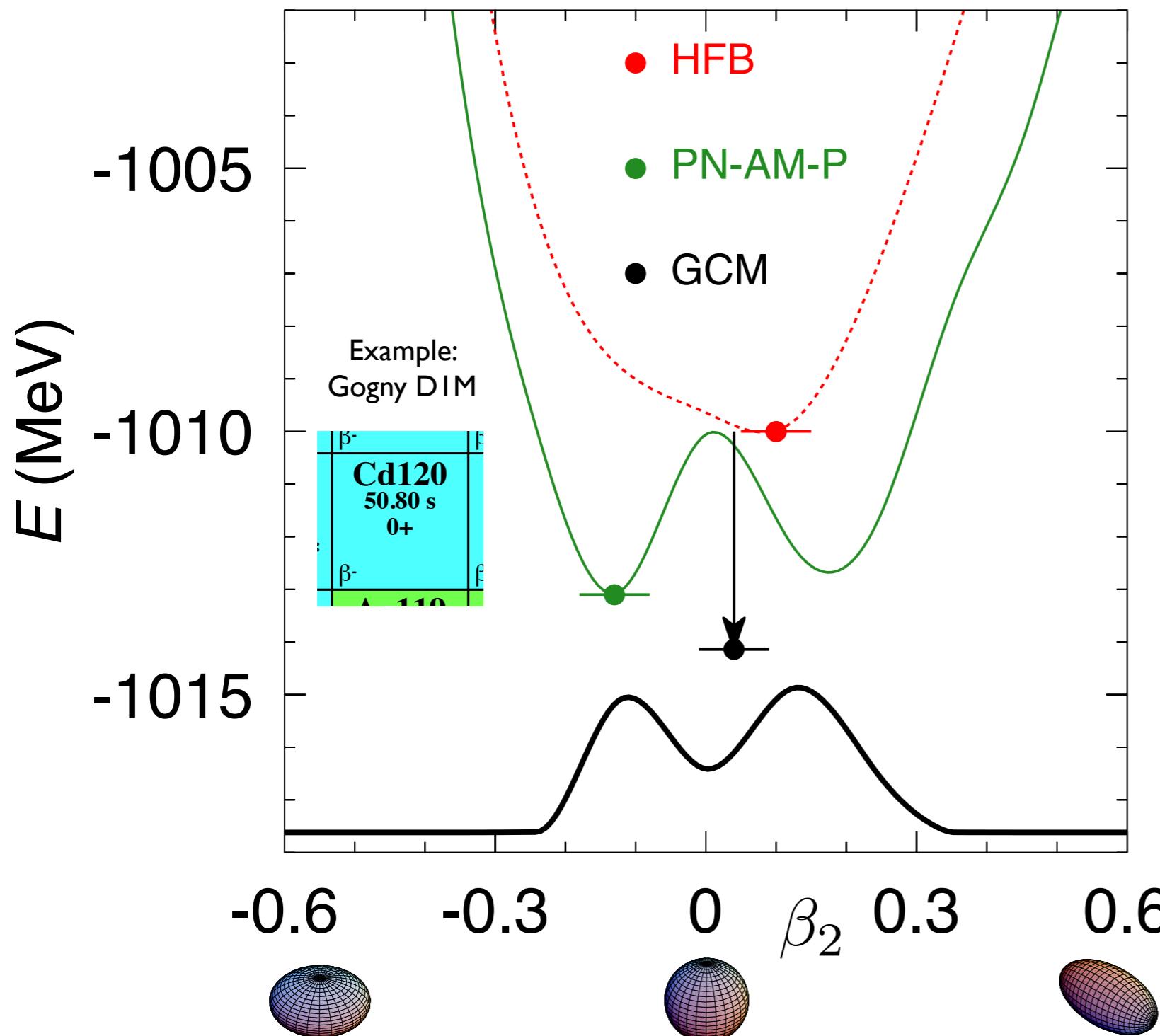


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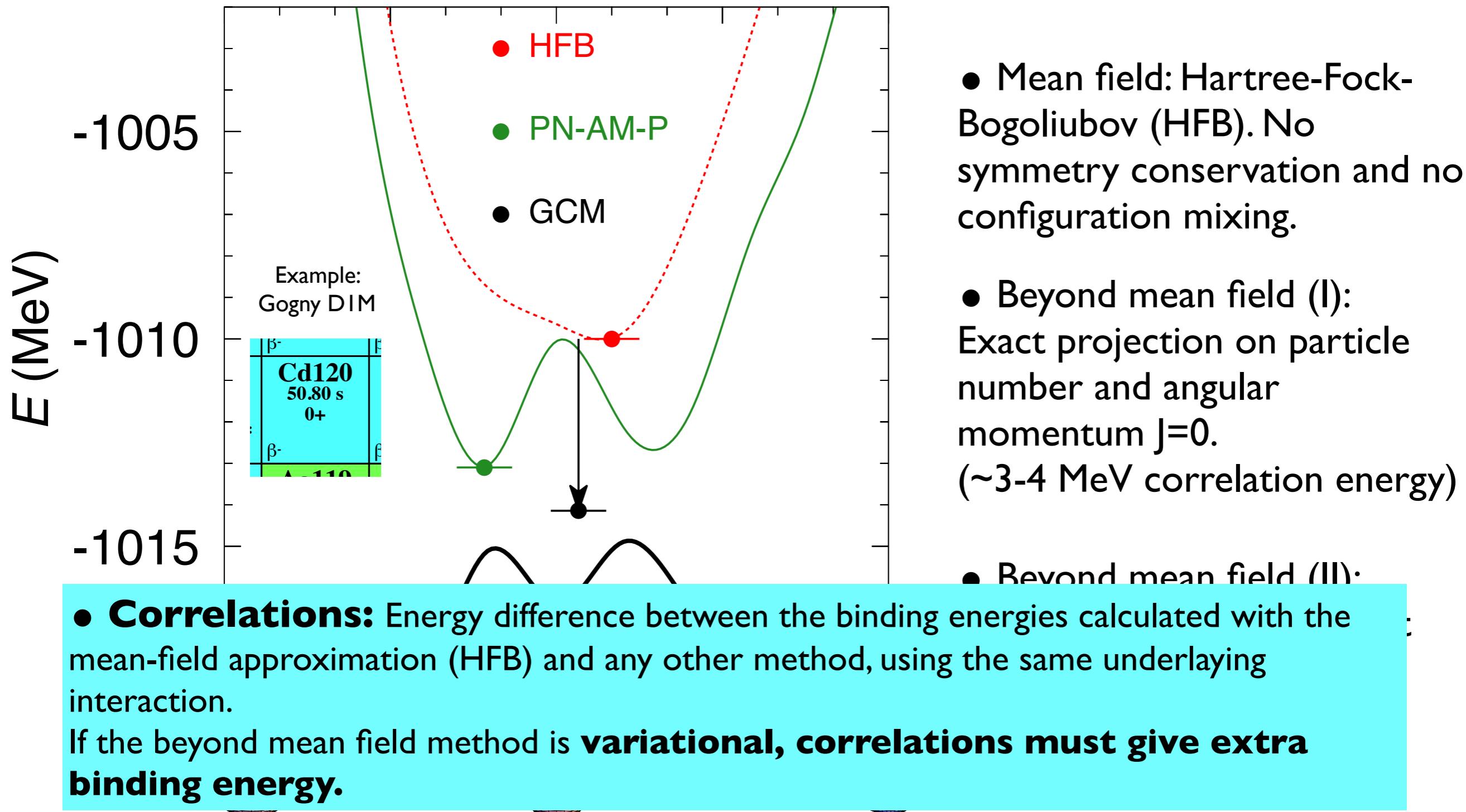


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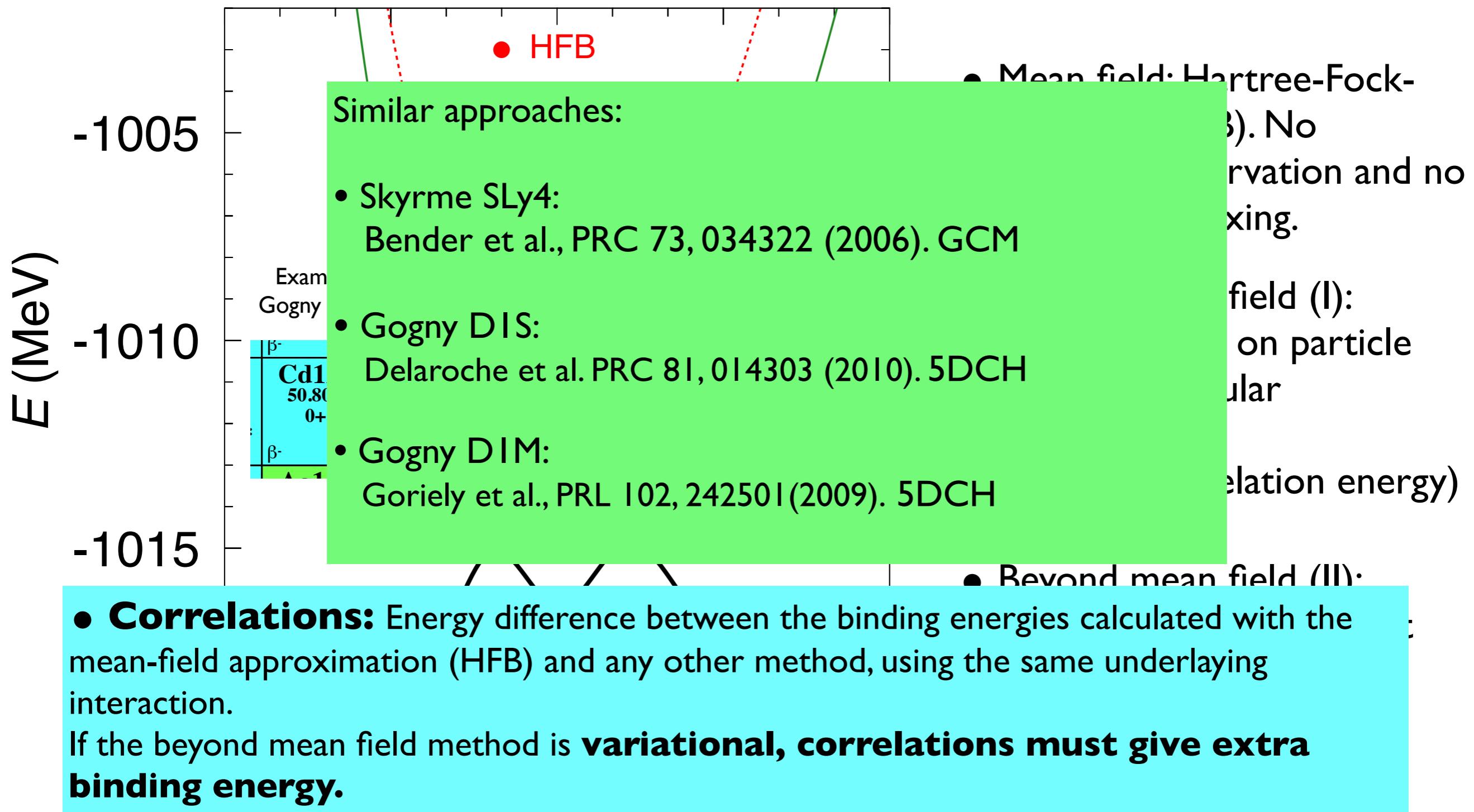
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If the beyond mean field method is **variational**, **correlations must give extra binding energy**.

Mean field vs. Beyond mean field. Global systematics



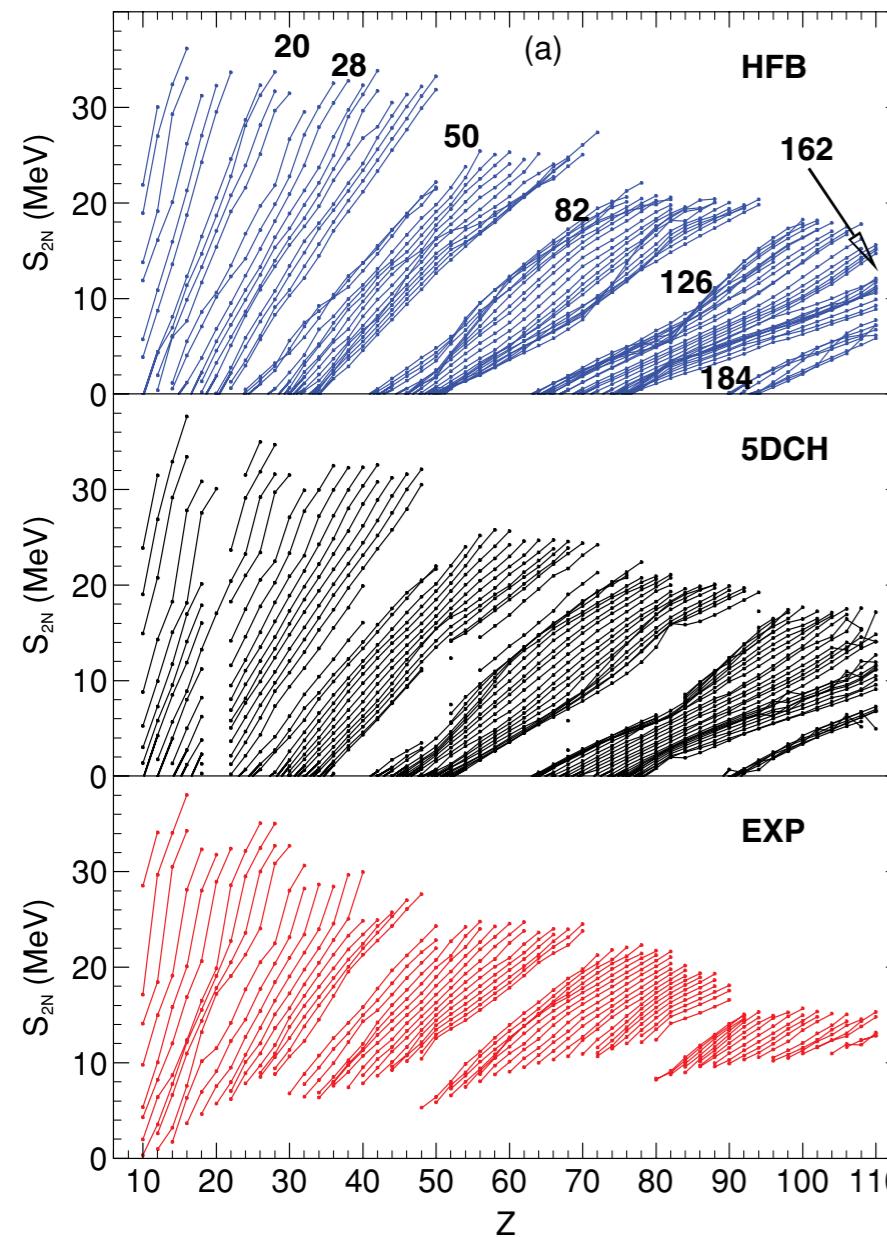
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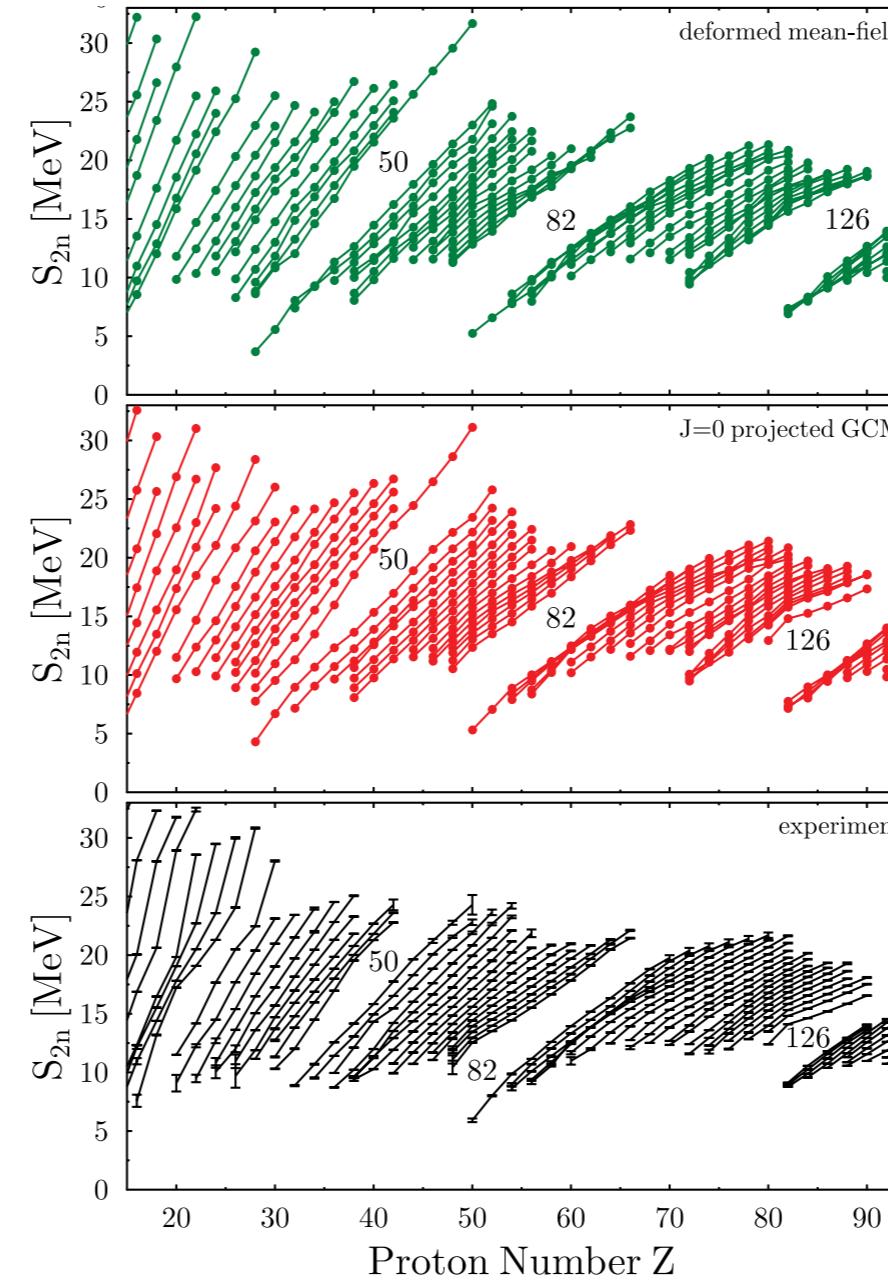
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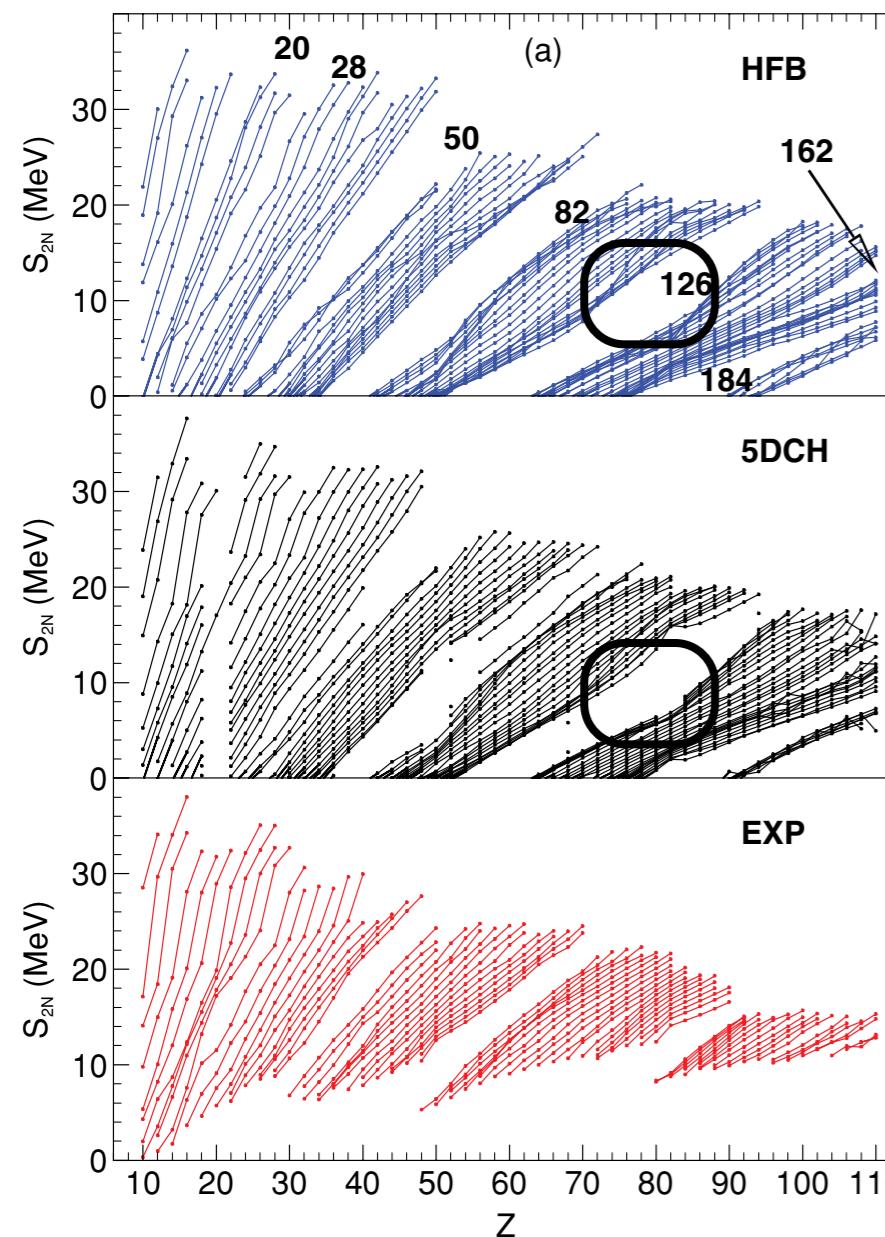
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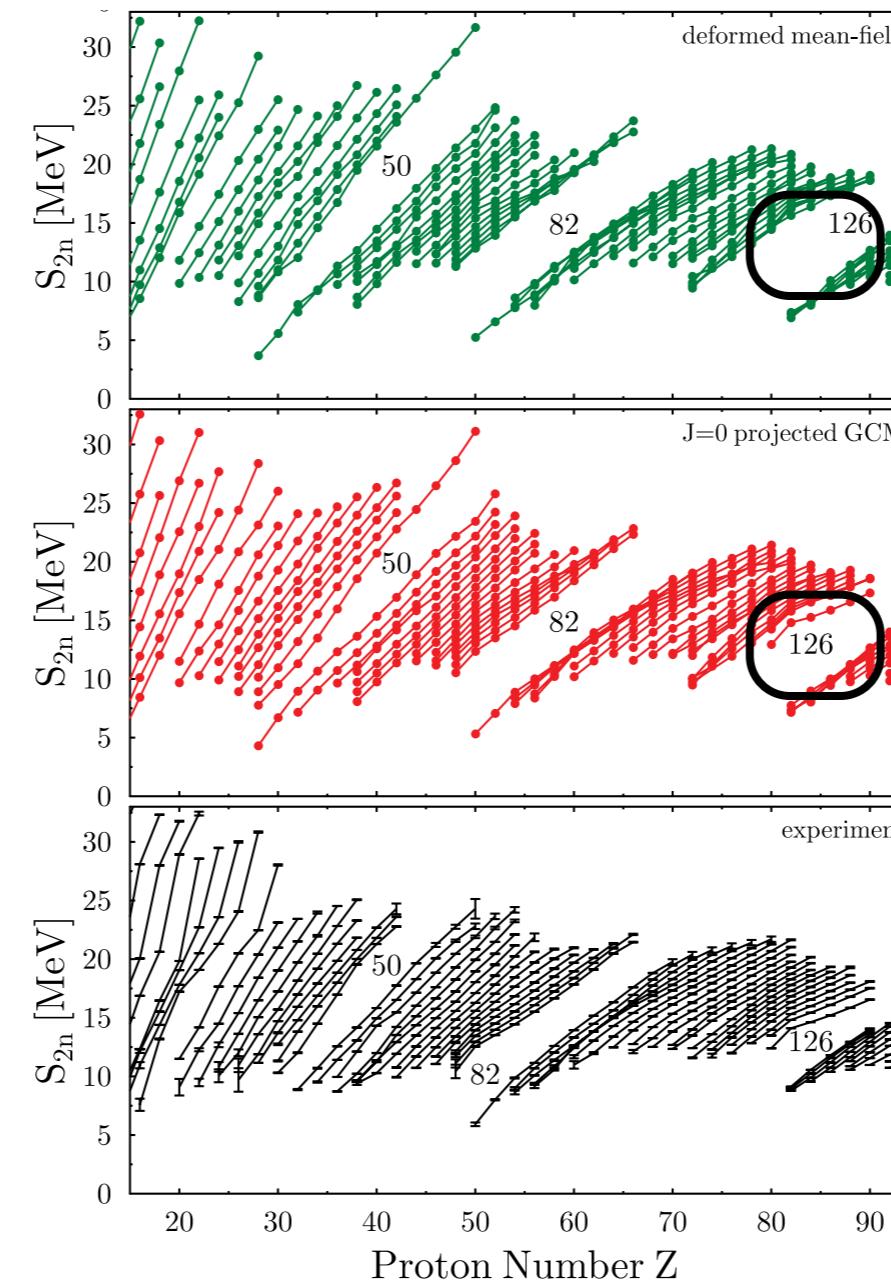
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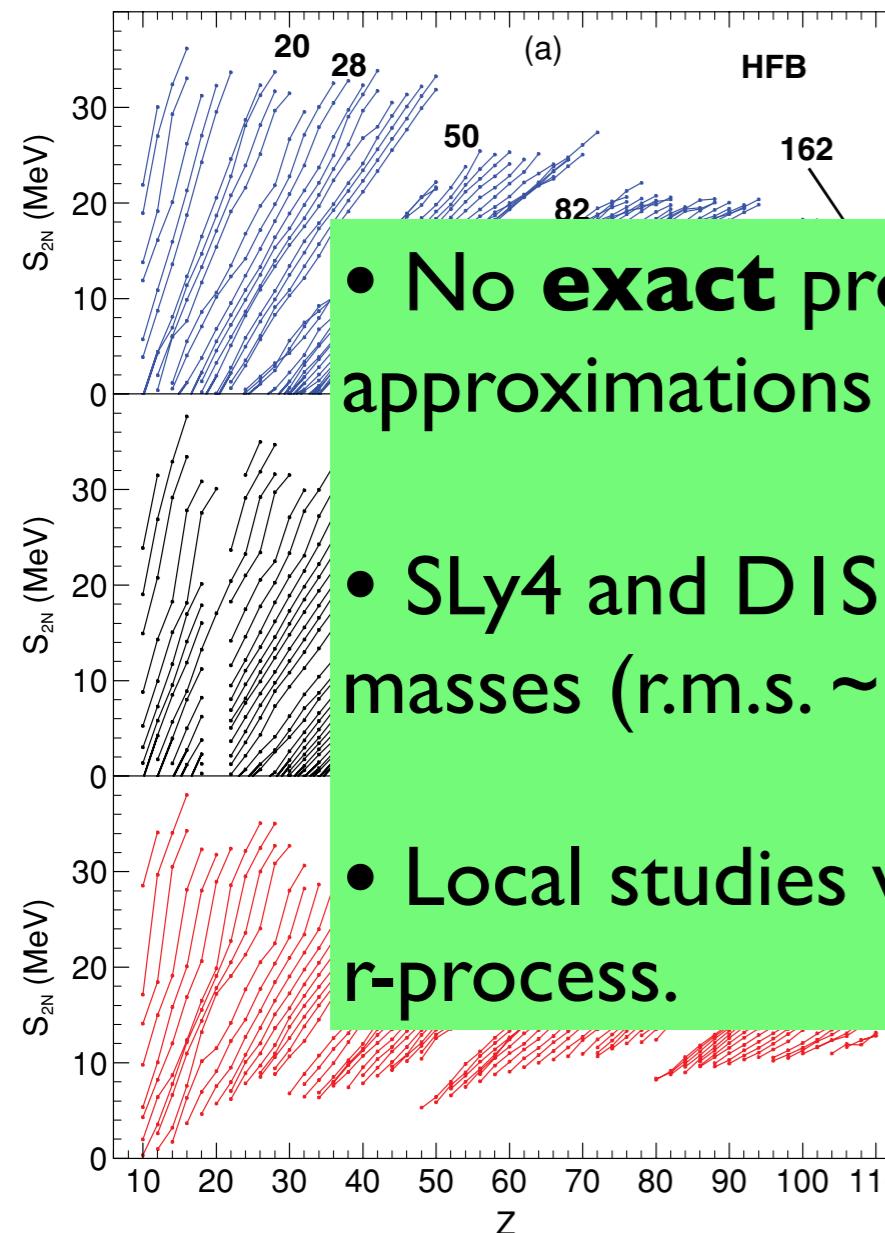
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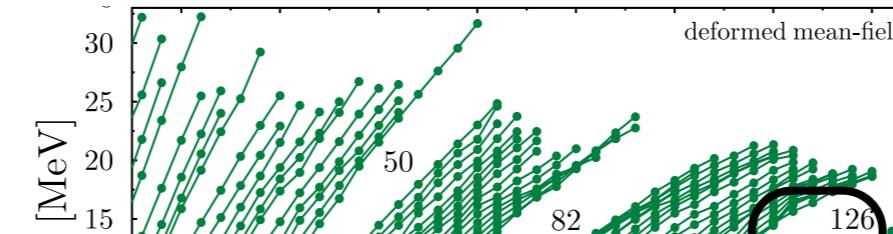
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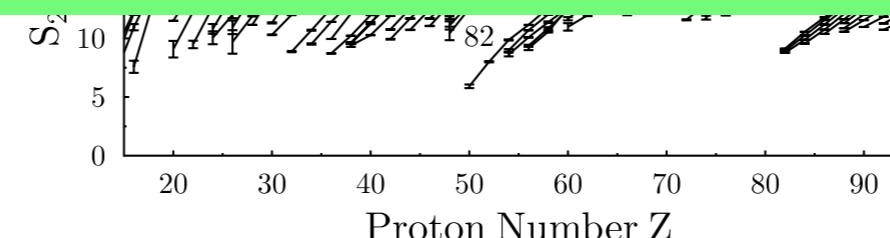
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- No **exact** projections/GCM but gaussian overlap approximations (GOA) are used: Are they **variational**?
- SLy4 and DIS parametrizations have a poor performance for masses (r.m.s. ~ 5 MeV).
- Local studies with exact projections in isotopes relevant for r-process.



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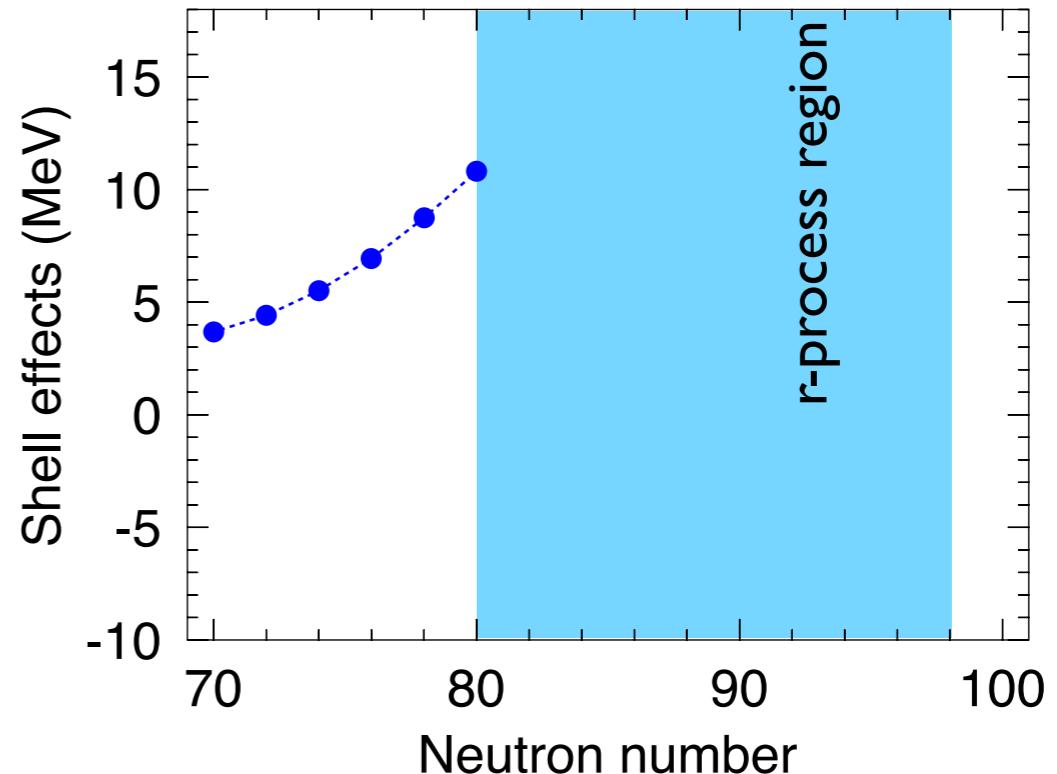
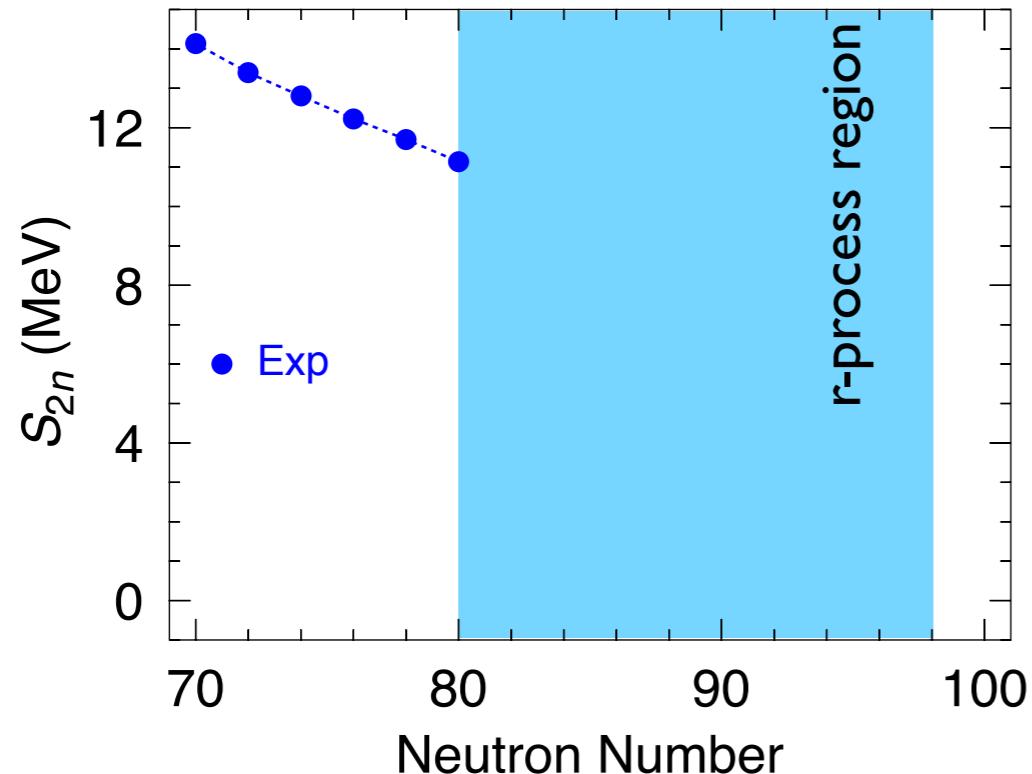
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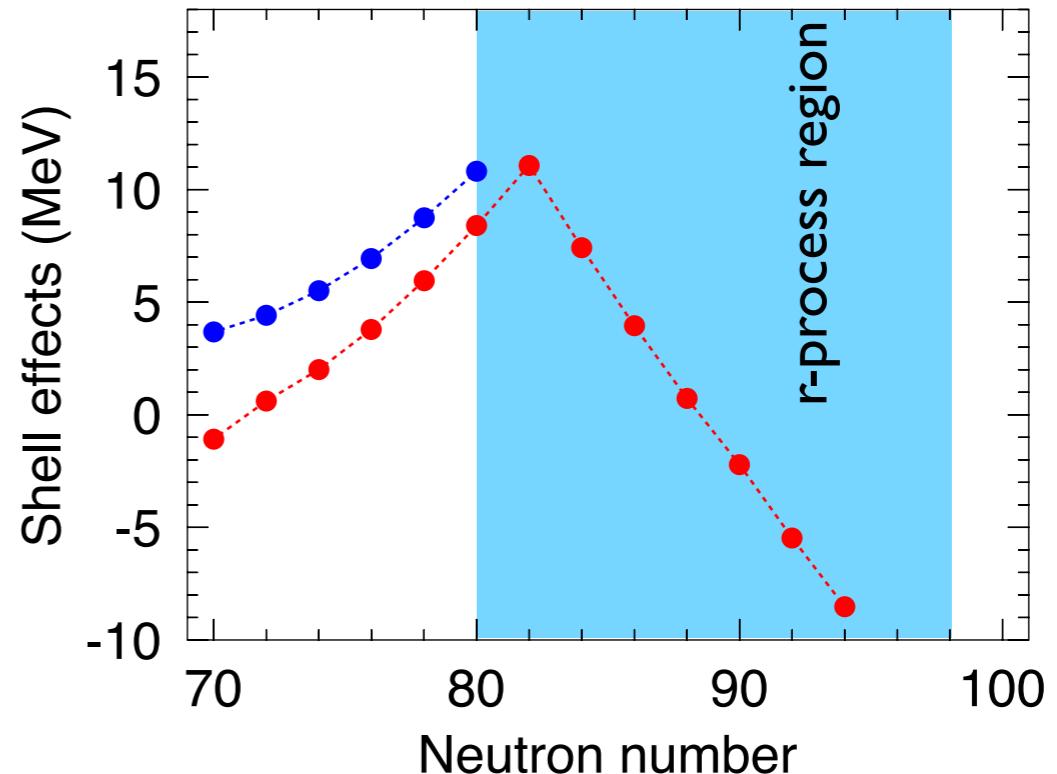
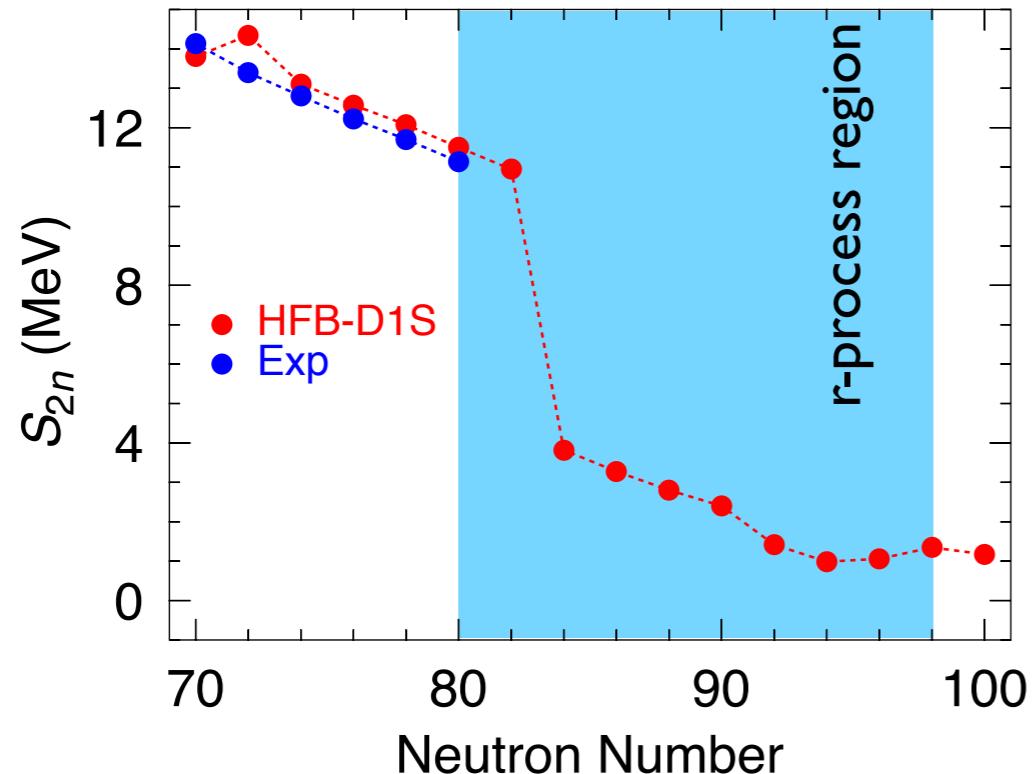
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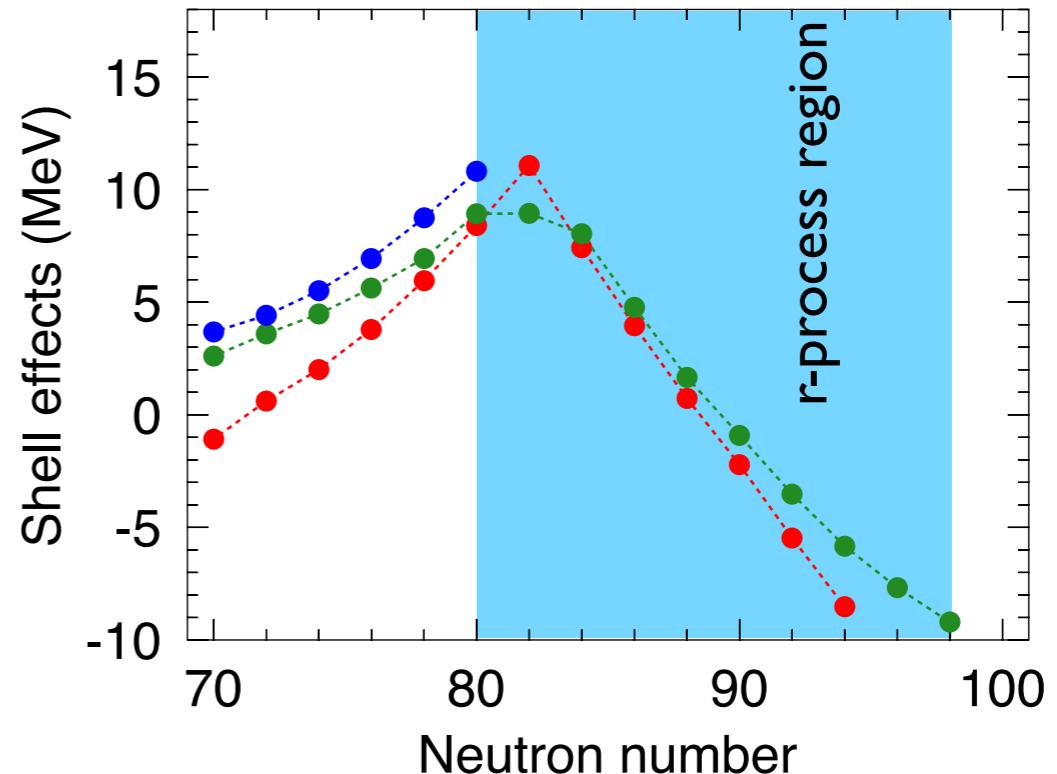
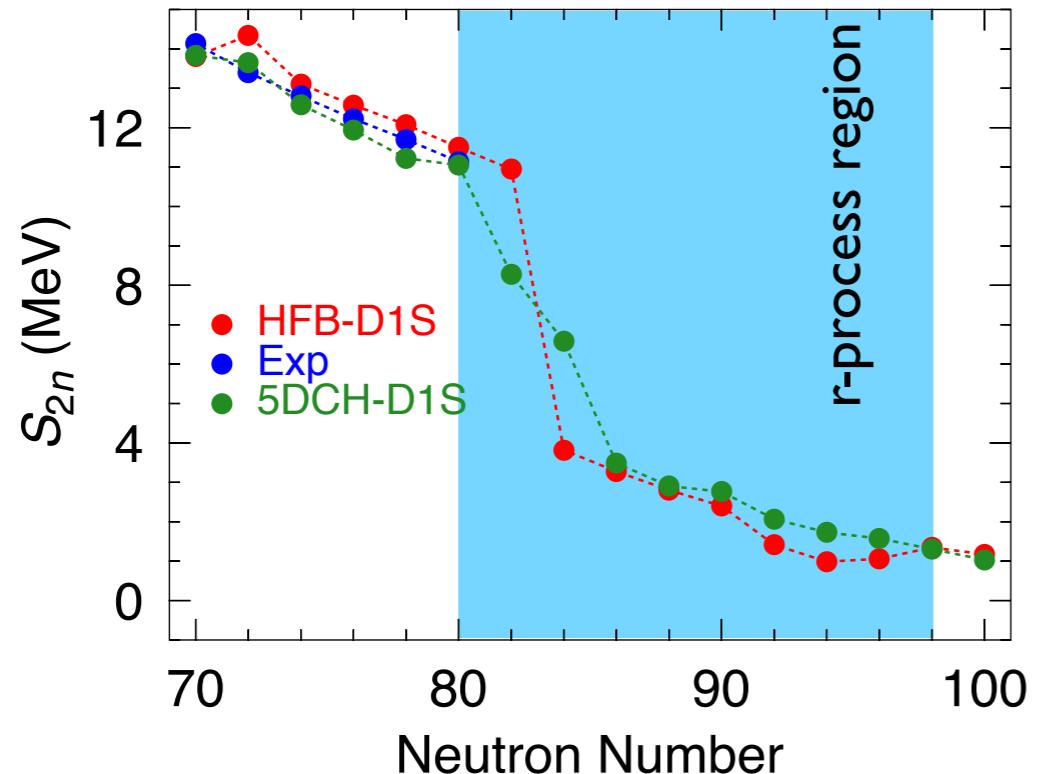
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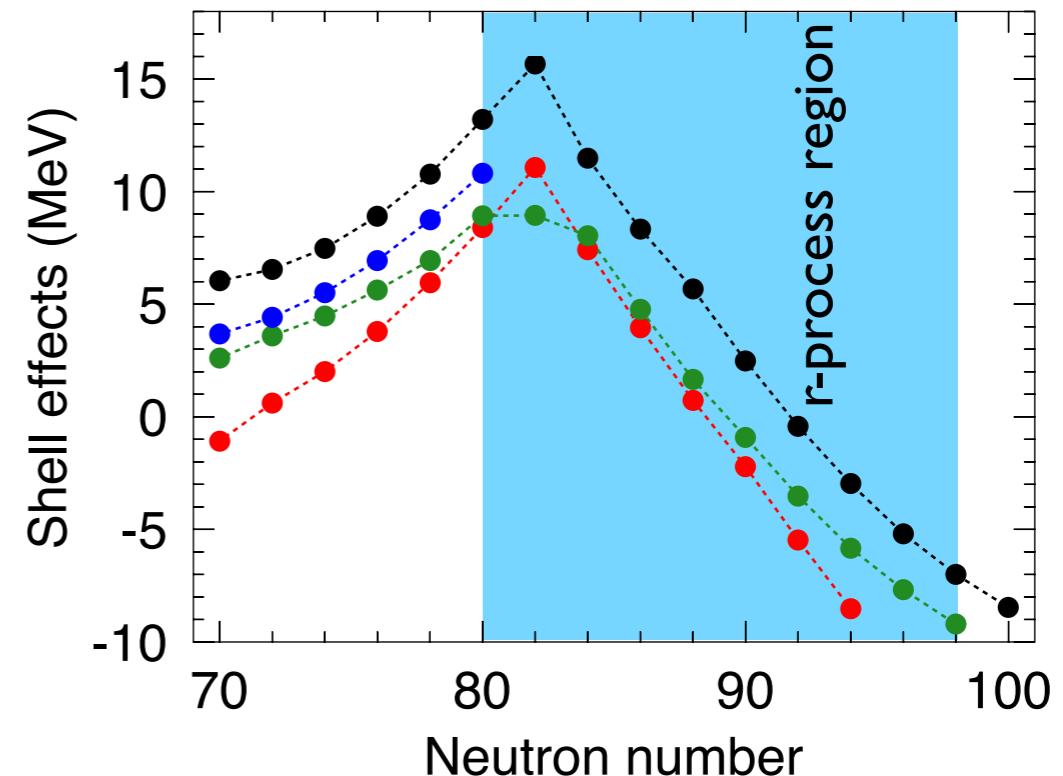
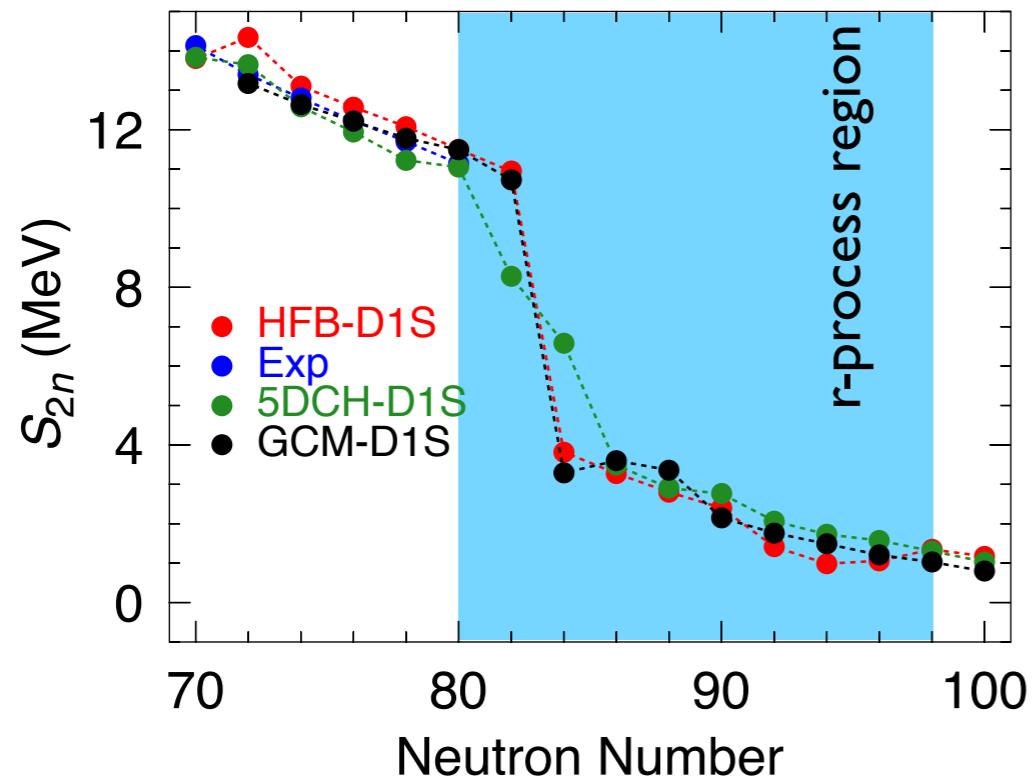
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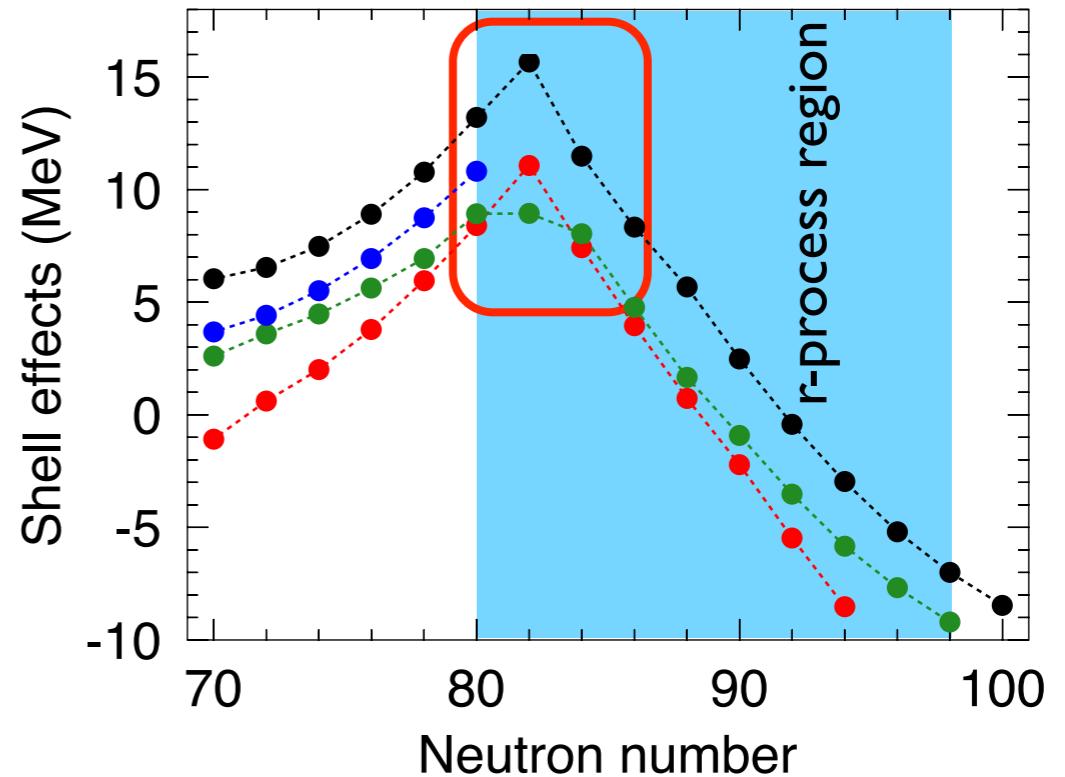
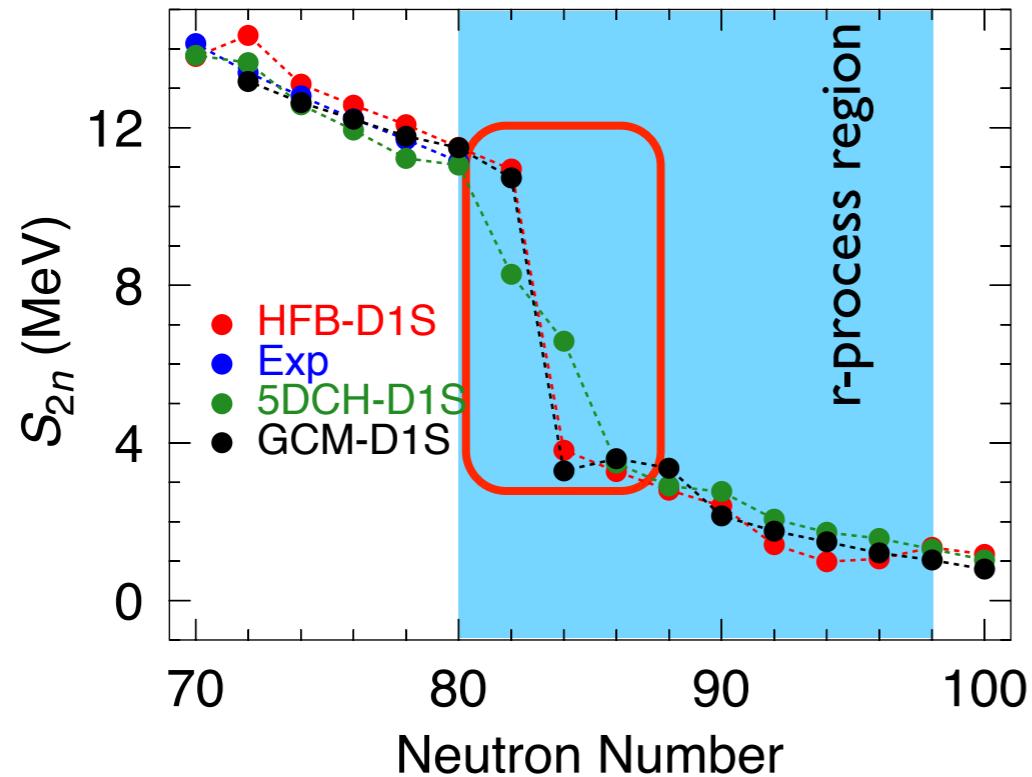
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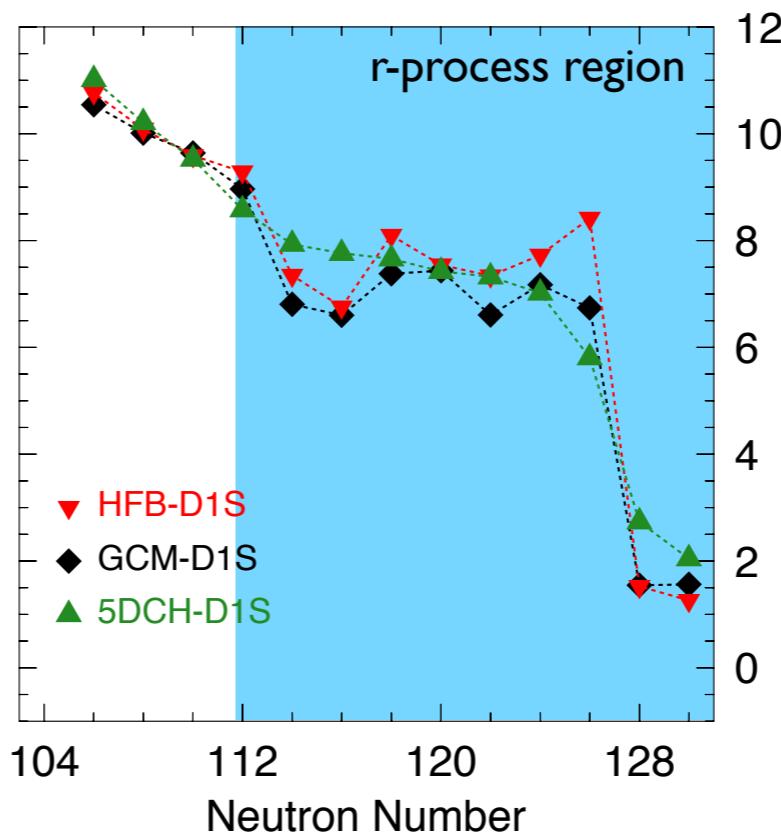
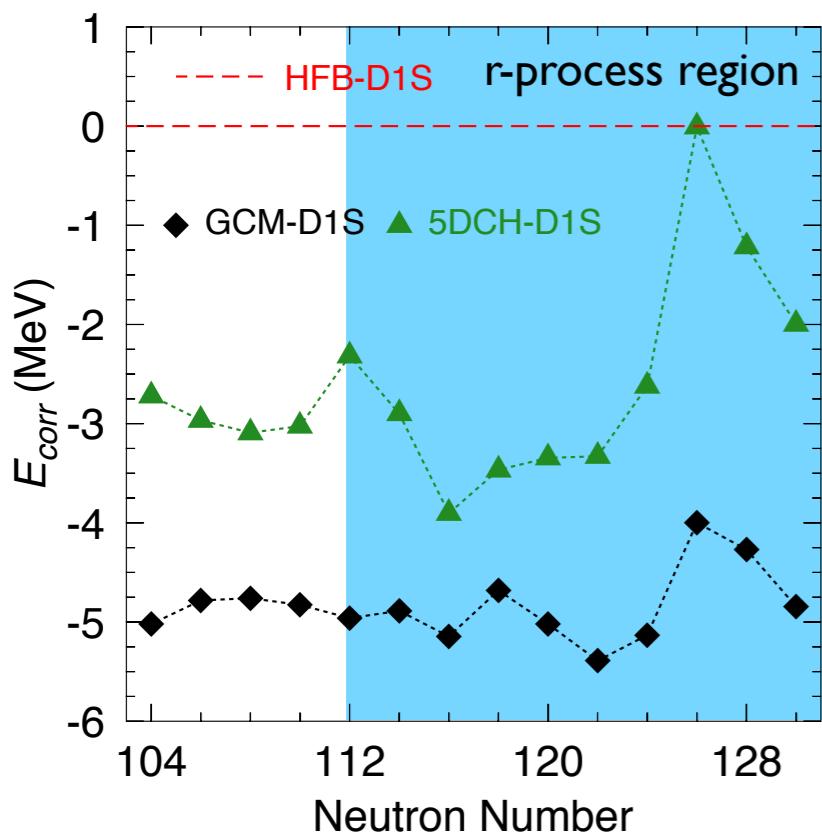
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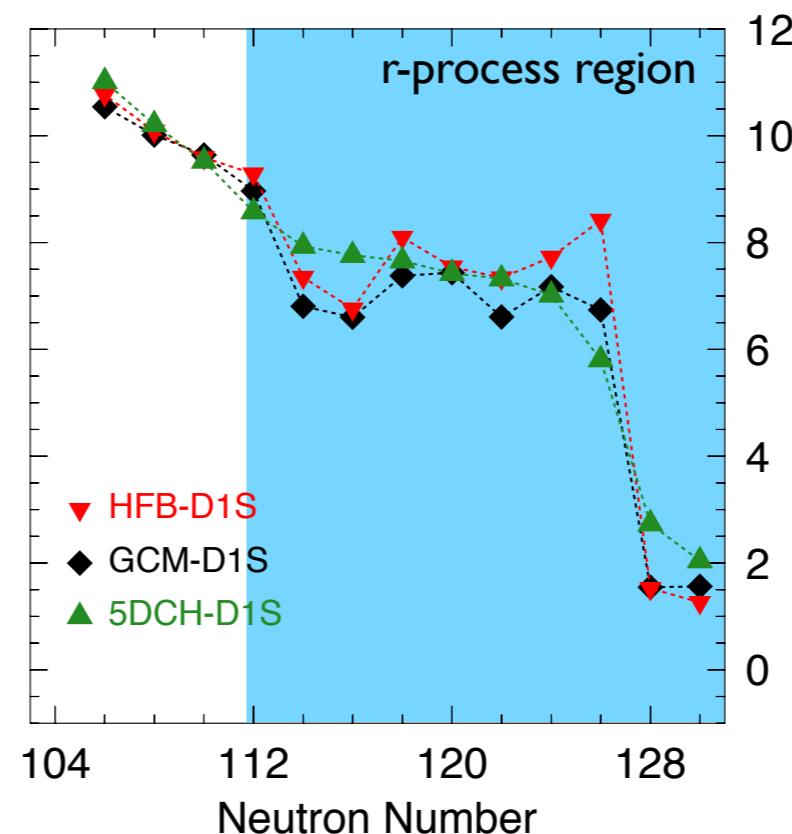
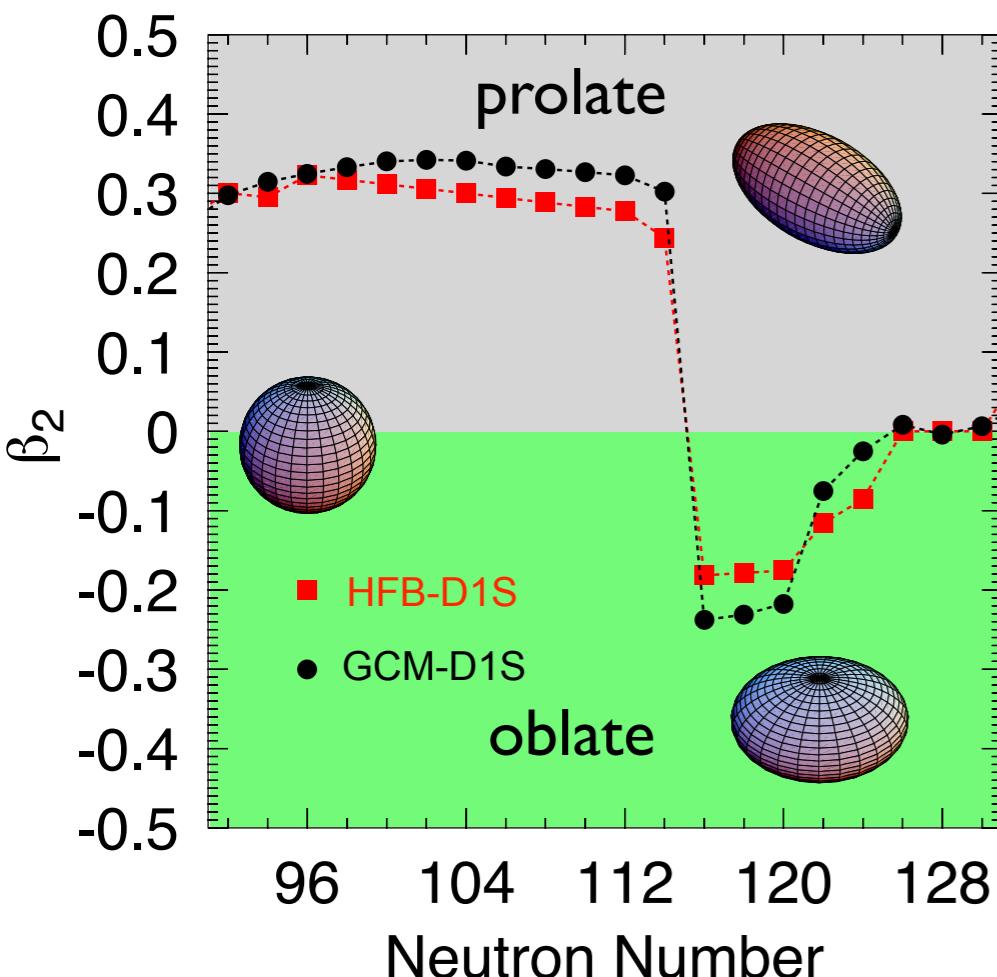
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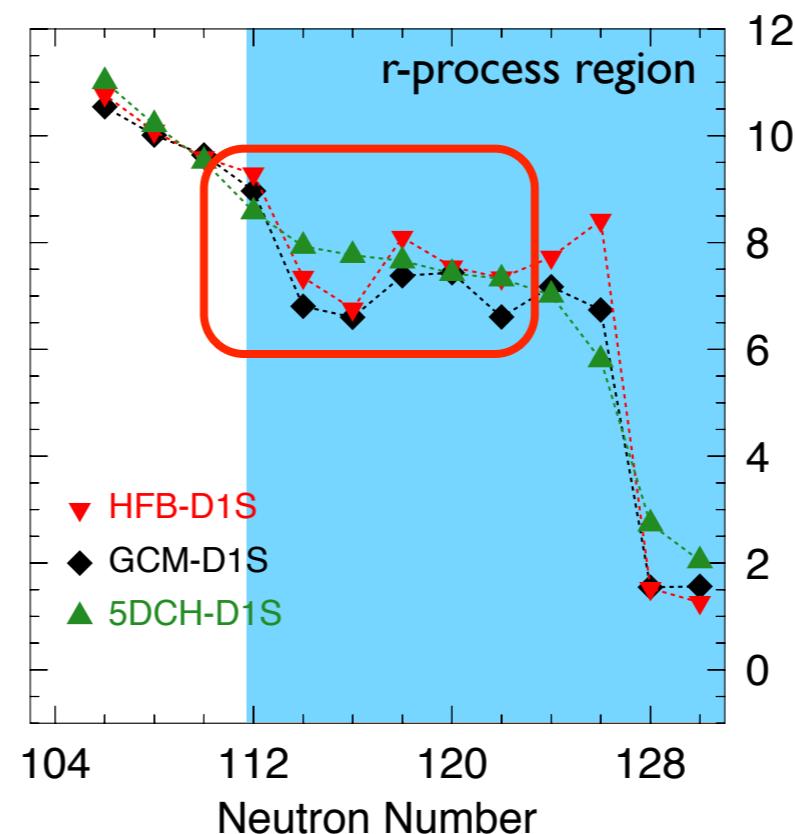
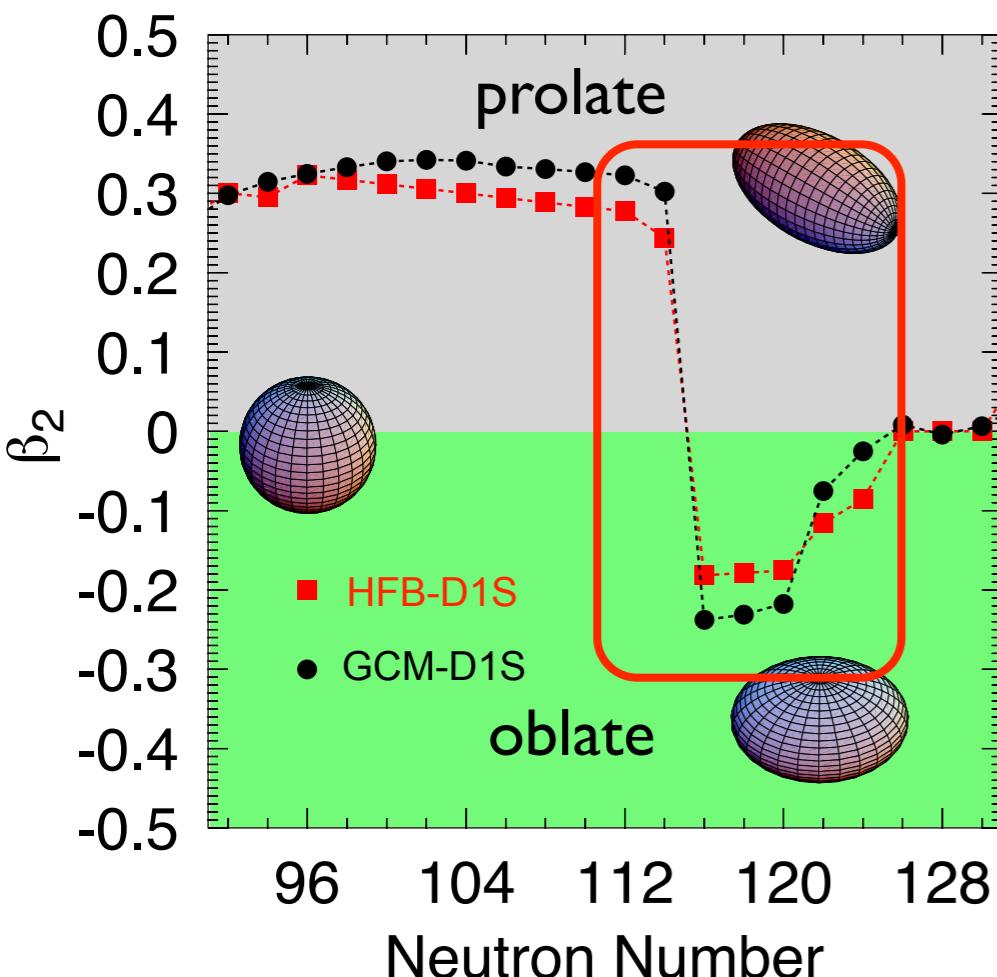
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Outlook



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