

Report on Computational Nuclear Physics and AI/ML Workshop

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- Workshop Outline (Agenda, Participants, etc.)
- Computational Accomplishments during past ~5 years
- Outlook for the next 5-10 years
- Workshop resolutions

Computational Nuclear Physics and AI/ML Workshop

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 - David Dean (JLab)
- 6-7 September 2022 at SURA in Washington, DC
- 60 registered participants (40 in person, 20 on line), including DOE
- <https://indico.jlab.org/event/581/>
 - All talks archived
 - Short white paper being prepared for the LRP

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Schedule

Registration, schedule, and other information can be found at: <https://indico.jlab.org/event/581/>

Tuesday, 6 September

1:00 – 1:05 Welcome, David Dean and Sean Hearne
1:05 – 1:20 DOE remarks, Tim Hallman
1:20 – 2:00 QCD, William Detmold (JLab) and Swagato Mukherjee (BNL)
2:00 – 2:40 Quantum many-body problems, Thomas Papenbrock (UT/ORNL)
2:40 – 3:00 BREAK
3:00 – 3:40 Fundamental Symmetries, Emanuele Mereghetti (LANL)
3:40 – 4:20 Astrophysics, George Fuller (UCSD)
4:20 – 5:00 AI/ML, Amber Boehnlein (JLab)
5:00 – 5:40 Preliminary list of recommendations discussion (Peter Petreczky, lead)
5:40 – 7:30 Reception

Wednesday, 7 September

7:45 – 8:30 Continental Breakfast
8:30 – 10:00 Breakout Sessions

1. QCD (Phiala Shanahan, lead)
2. Nuclear Structure and fundamental symmetries (Alessandro Lovato, lead)
3. Astrophysics (Bronson Messer, lead)

10:00 – 10:30 Break
10:30 – 12:00 Breakout reports
12:00 – 1:00 Lunch
1:00 – 2:30 Recommendations discussion and next steps

Major Topical Areas Discussed During Workshop

- Lattice QCD
- Nuclear Structure and Reactions
- Nuclear Astrophysics
- Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning
 - Some discussion of Quantum Computing

Computational-related items in NP theory effort

- SciDAC-5 projects
 - Femto-scale Imaging of Nuclei using Exascale Platforms
 - Nuclear Computational Low Energy Initiative (NUCLEI)
 - Fundamental nuclear physics at the exascale and beyond (LQCD)

collaborations with CS and applied math have led to breakthroughs
 - JLAB LQCD cluster
 - Theory Topical Collaborations (to be decided)
 - NSF Centers/Collaborations (N3AS, NP3M, BAND, ...)
 - Computational Access (NERSC, INCITE, ..., local facilities)
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Lattice QCD

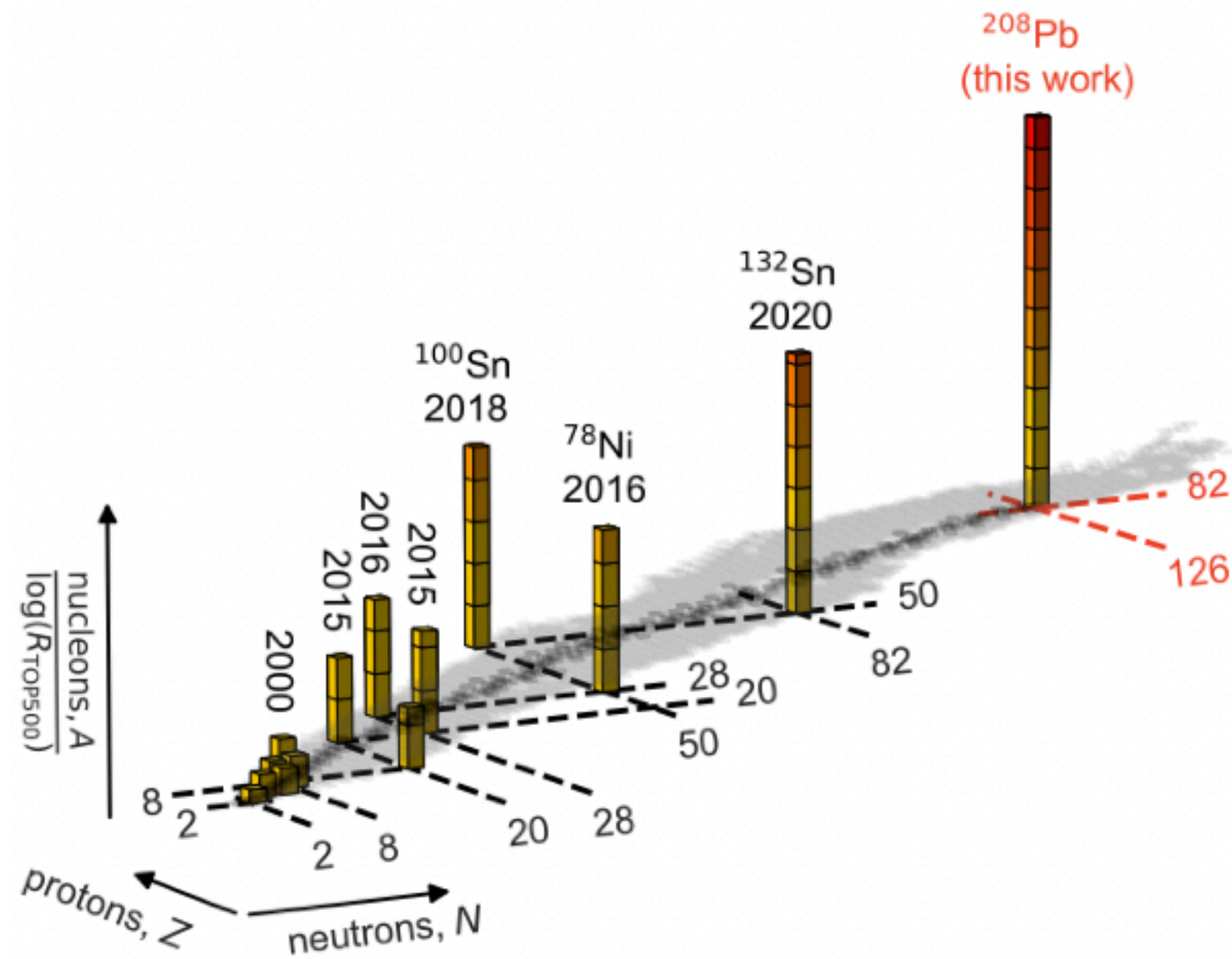
- Great progress since 2015:
 - Hadronic Spectra
 - Parton Distribution Functions from equal-time lattice correlators in the large momentum limit
 - Single-Nucleon Matrix Elements
 - Nucleon axial charge g_A and nucleon EW form factors
 - Two-Nucleon Matrix Elements
 - NN low-energy scattering and HN scattering
 - ...

Nuclear Structure and Reactions

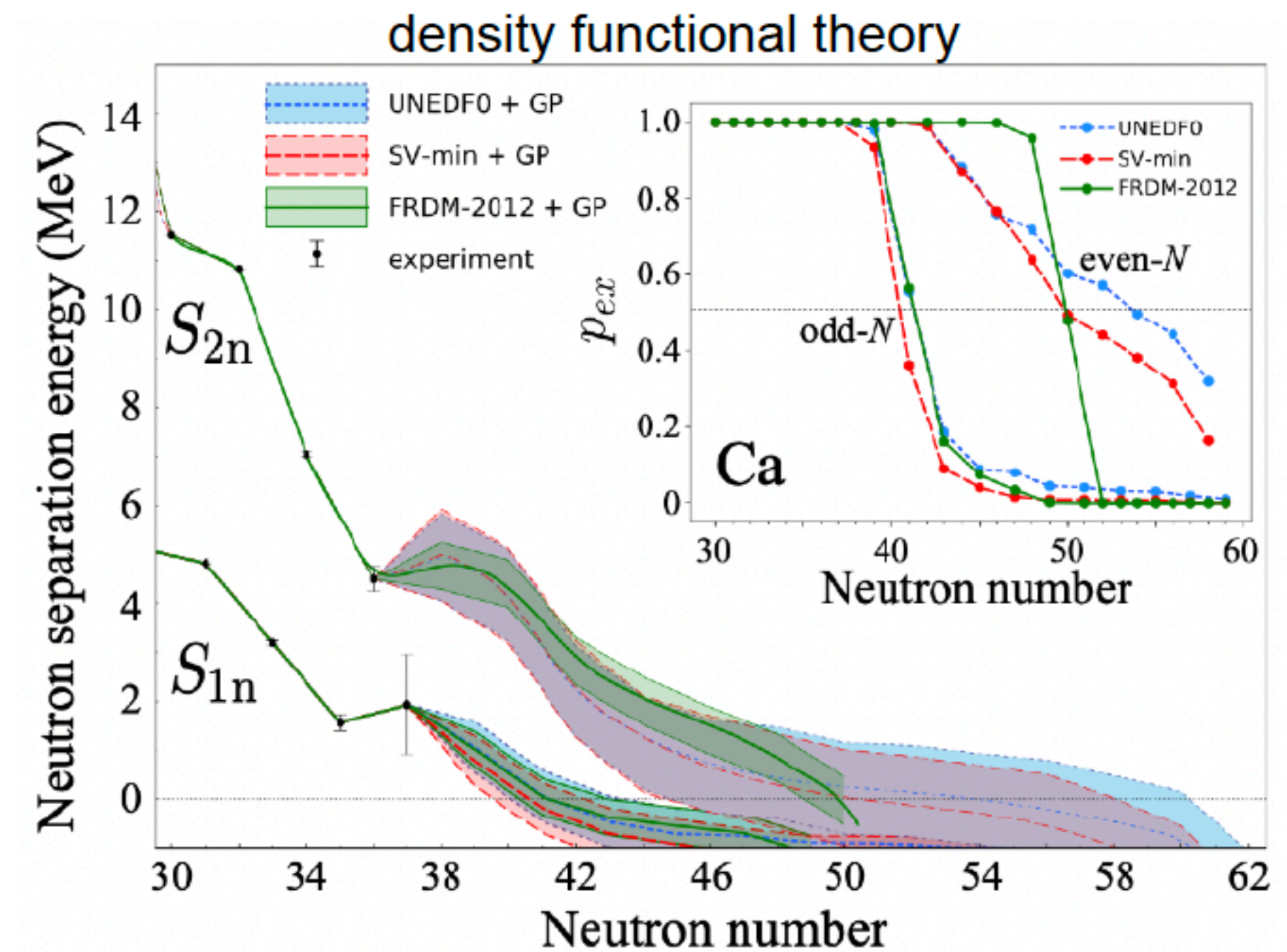
- Tremendous progress in last 5-10 years:
 - Larger Nuclei with ab-initio methods (up to Pb)
 - EW transitions at low momentum and energies
 - QE and beyond electron and neutrino scattering from nuclei
 - Stronger, more systematic connections to nuclear astrophysics:
supernovae and neutron stars (dense matter EOS, neutrinos,...)
 - Stronger, more systematic connections to fundamental symmetries
Beta decay, double beta decay, nuclear EDM, neutrino-nucleus, ...
 - Greatly enhanced efforts on error estimation, AI/ML, ...
 - Quantified DFT (fast emulators for UQ)
 - Towards real-time propagation

Nuclear Structure/Reaction Highlights

Larger Nuclei with Ab-Initio Approaches (CC, IMSRG)



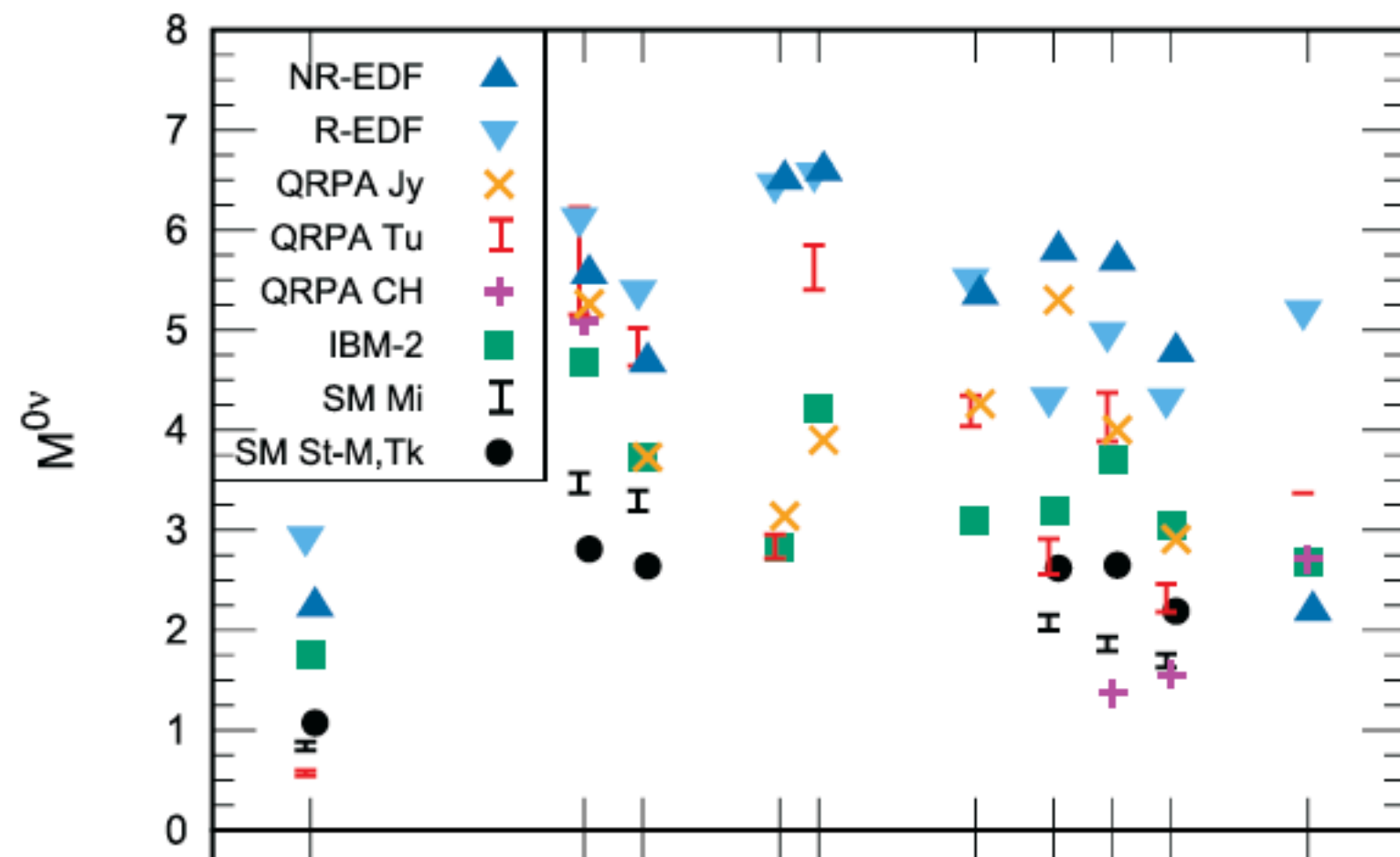
Neutron-rich nuclei



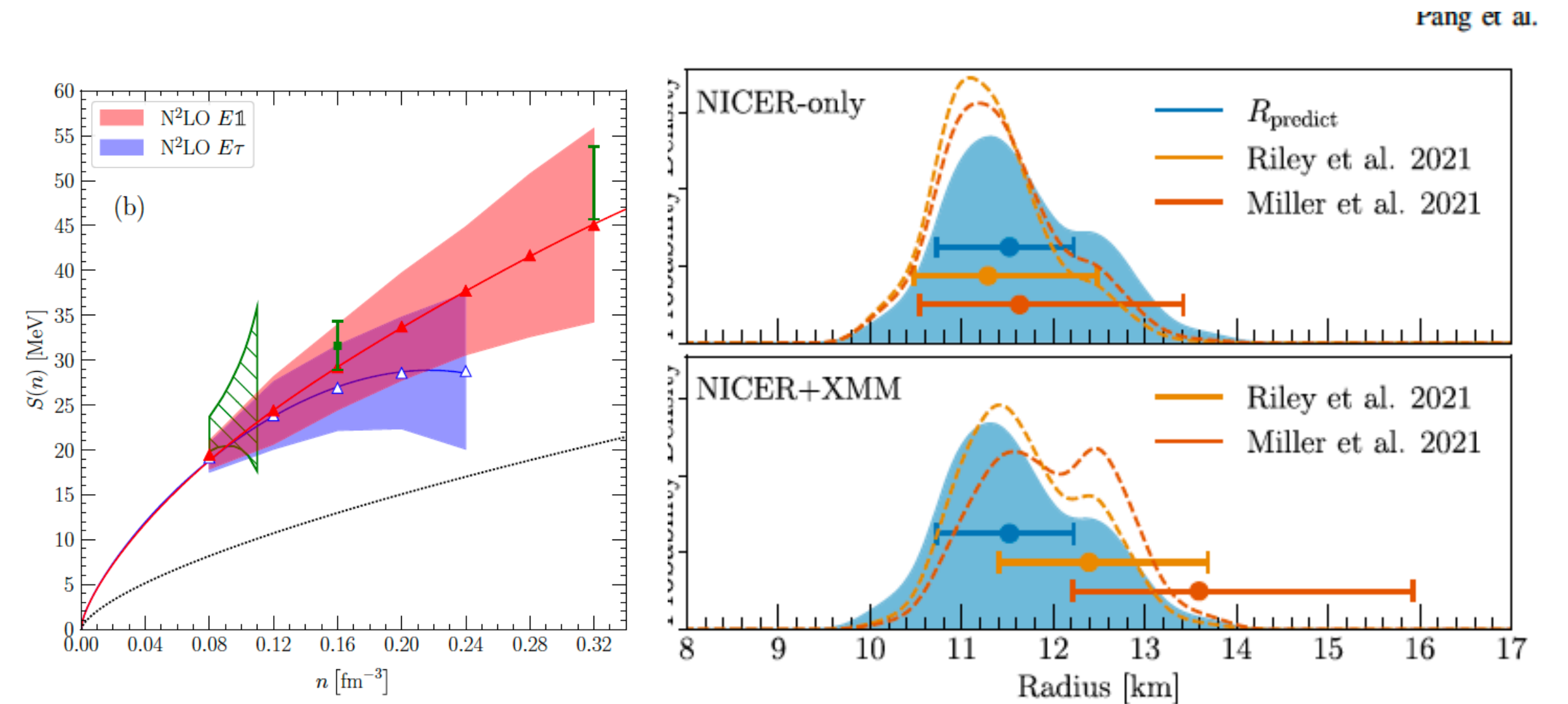
Nuclear Structure and Reactions connections to FS, Astro

Neutron Stars

Neutrinoless Double Beta Decay



Nuclear Theory + GW (LIGO) + EM (NICER/XMM)

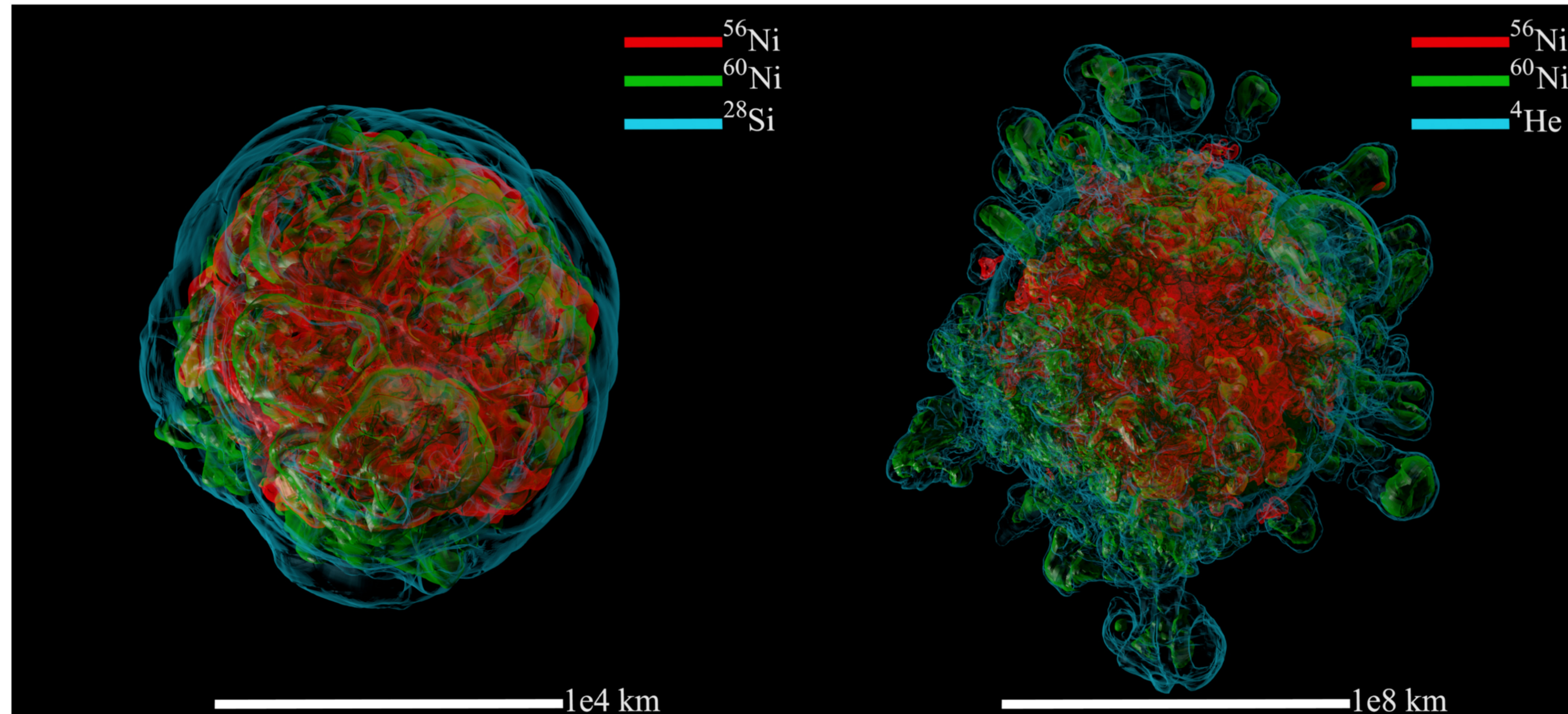


Also beta decay, nuclear EDM,
Neutrino-nucleus scattering, ...

NM EOS

Neutron Star Mass-Radius

Highlights from Nuclear Astrophysics: Nucleosynthesis and SN



SN Nucleosynthesis, courtesy of Bronson Messer

Increased Efforts in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning

- New efforts in:
 - UQ and Model Mixing
 - Many-body approaches (tensor networks, etc.)
 - Bayesian methods for emulation

Important challenges for the next 5-10 years

- Large Neutron-Rich Nuclei: masses and decays
 - Confronting FRIB, ATLAS data, ...
 - Input to important new experiments
 - AI/ML approaches to emulation, UQ, and many-body theory
 - Connections to Astro and Fundamental Symmetries
 - Double Beta Decay and beta decay for BSM, nuclear EDM
 - Neutron Skins and Neutron Star Matter
 - Improved EOS (higher densities, finite T, ...)
 - Neutrinos in astrophysical environments
 - Nuclear Dynamics: Electron and Neutrino Inclusive Scattering
 - Reactions at low energies (resonances, ...)
 - Reactions at higher energy - \sim quasi-elastic energy regime in ab initio,
 - Coexistence phenomenon and Large amplitude collective motion in fission and fusion
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Resolution from the Computational Nuclear Physics meeting

High-performance computing is essential to advance nuclear physics on the experimental and theory frontiers. Increased investments in computational nuclear physics will facilitate discoveries and capitalize on previous progress. Thus, we recommend a targeted program to ensure the utilization of ever-evolving HPC hardware via software and algorithmic development, which includes taking advantage of novel capabilities offered by AI/ML.

The key elements of this program are to:

- 1) Strengthen and expand programs and partnerships to support immediate needs in HPC and AI/ML, and also to target development of emerging technologies, such as quantum computing, and other opportunities.
- 2) Take full advantage of exciting possibilities offered by new hardware and software and AI/ML within the nuclear physics community through educational and training activities.
- 3) Establish programs to support cutting-edge developments of a multi-disciplinary workforce and cross-disciplinary collaborations in high-performance computing and AI/ML.
- 4) Expand access to computational hardware through dedicated and high-performance computing resources.