

Ab initio studies on muon capture to probe neutrinoless double-beta decay

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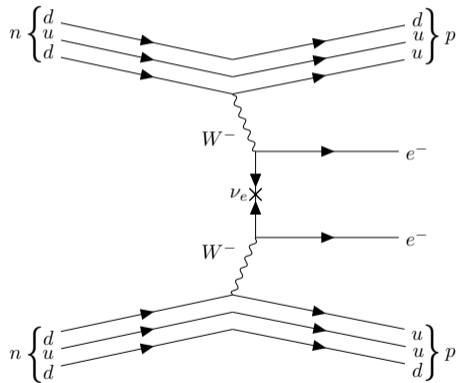
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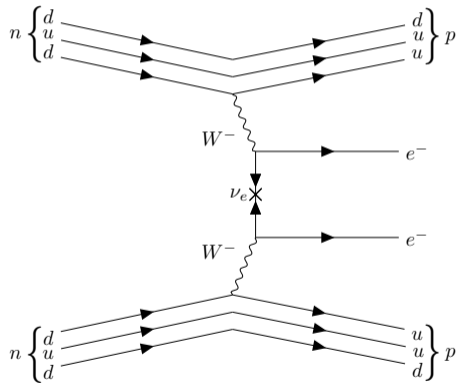
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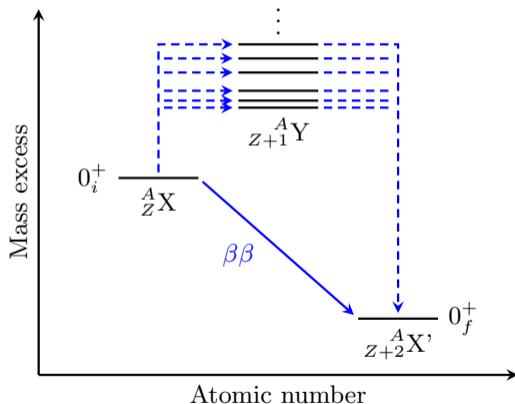
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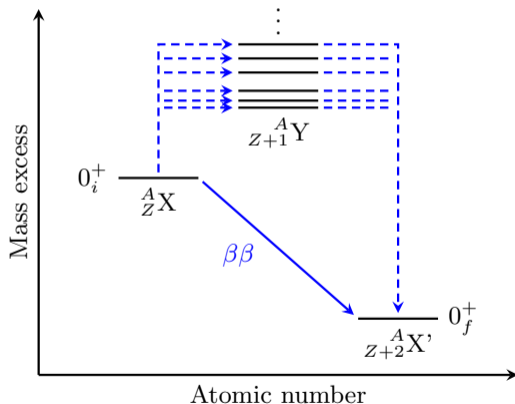
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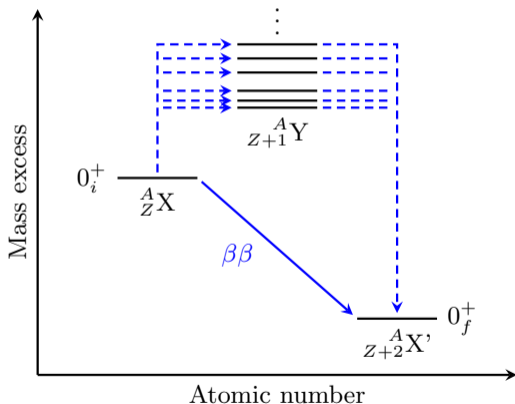
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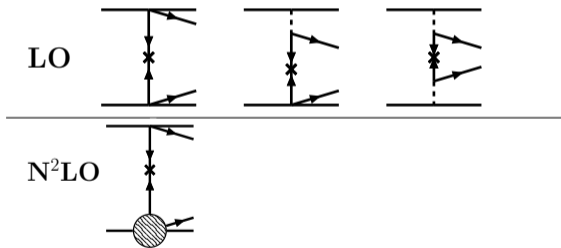
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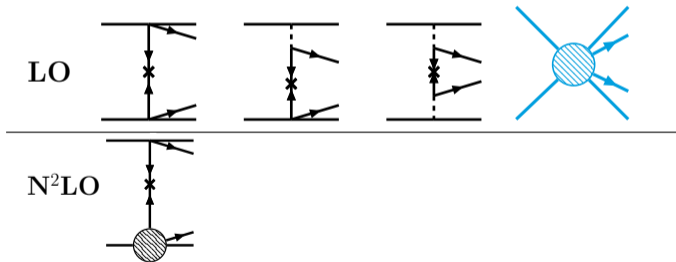
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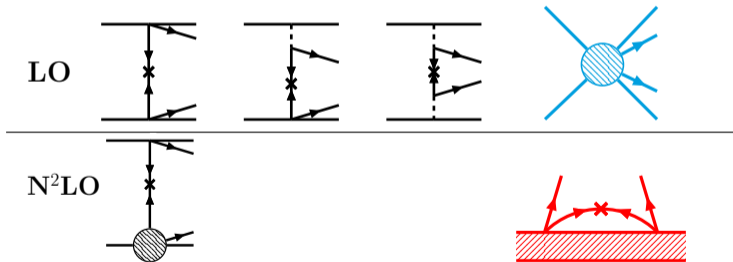
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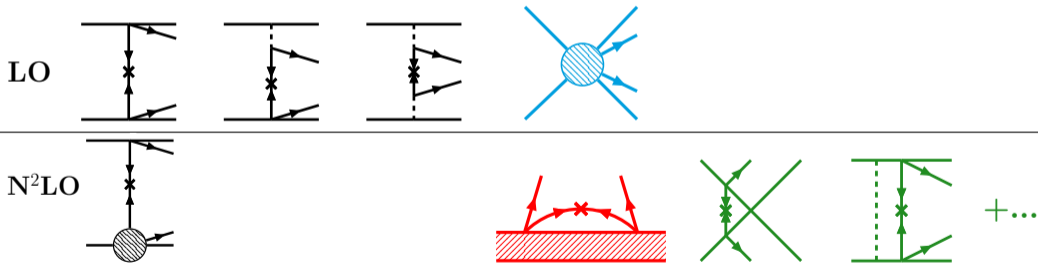
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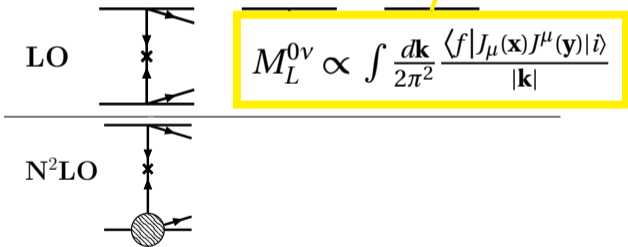
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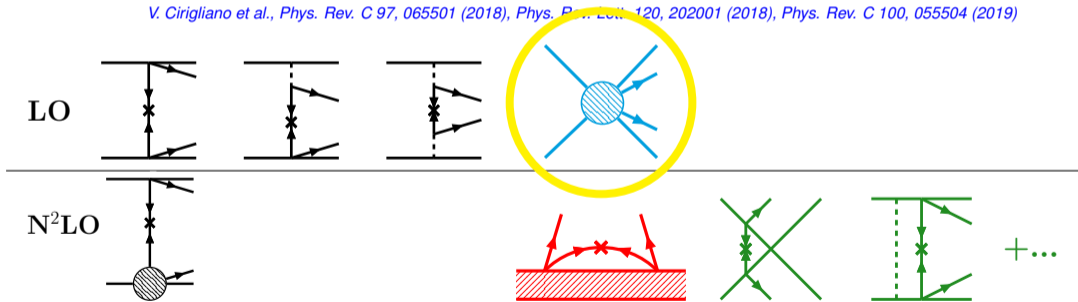
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Leading-order short-range contribution to $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay

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Contact Term in pnQRPA and NSM

- The contact term reads

$$M_S^{0\nu} = \frac{2R}{\pi g_A^2} \langle 0_f^+ | \sum_{m,n} \tau_m^- \tau_n^- \int j_0(qr) h_S(q^2) q^2 dq | 0_i^+ \rangle$$

with

$$h_S(q^2) = 2g_v^{NN} e^{-q^2/(2\Lambda^2)}.$$

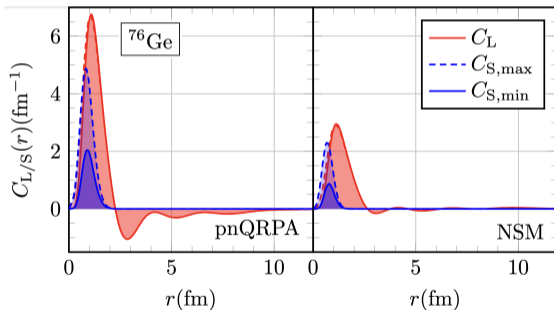
In pnQRPA:

$$M_S/M_L \approx 30\% - 80\%$$

In NSM:

$$M_S/M_L \approx 15\% - 50\%$$

$$\int C_{L/S}(r) dr = M_{L/S}^{0\nu}$$

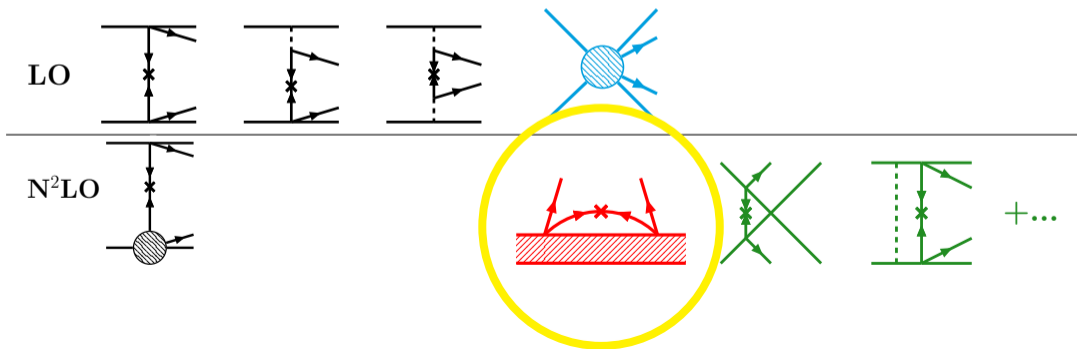


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Ultrasoft-neutrino contribution to $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay

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Ultrasoft neutrinos in pnQRPA and nuclear shell model

- Contribution of ultrasoft neutrinos ($|\mathbf{k}| \ll k_F \approx 100 \text{ MeV}$) to $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay:

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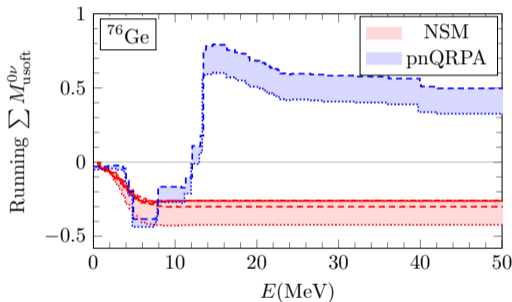
$$M_{\text{usoft}}^{0\nu} = -\frac{2R}{\pi} \sum_n \langle f | \sum_a \sigma_a \tau_a^+ | n \rangle \langle n | \sum_b \sigma_b \tau_b^+ | i \rangle \times (E_e + E_n - E_i) \left(\ln \frac{\mu_{\text{us}}}{2(E_e + E_n - E_i)} + 1 \right)$$

In pnQRPA:

$$|M_{\text{usoft}}^{0\nu} / M_L^{0\nu}| \leq 30\%$$

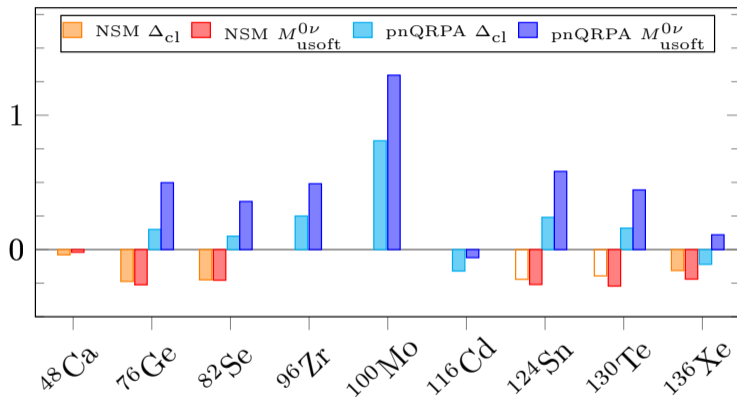
In NSM:

$$|M_{\text{usoft}}^{0\nu} / M_L^{0\nu}| \leq 10\%$$



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Ultrasoft Neutrinos as Closure Correction



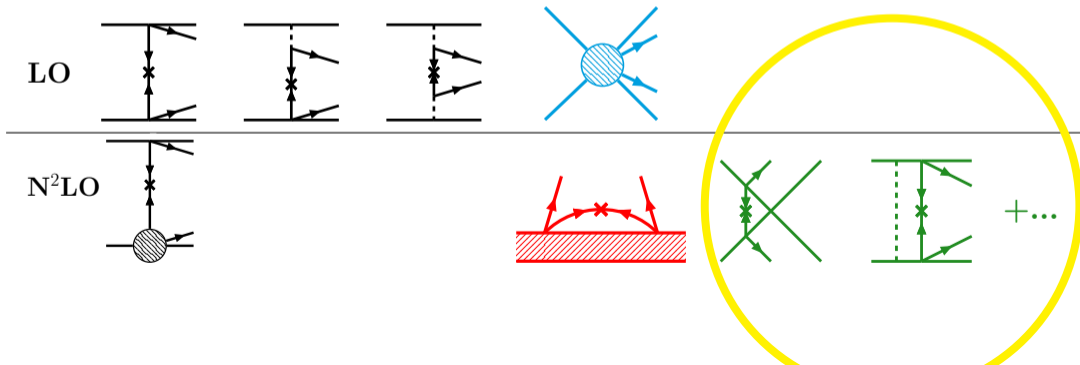
$$\Delta_{cl} = M_{non-cl}^{0\nu} - M_{cl}^{0\nu}$$

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Genuine N²LO corrections to $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay

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Genuine N²LO Loop Corrections

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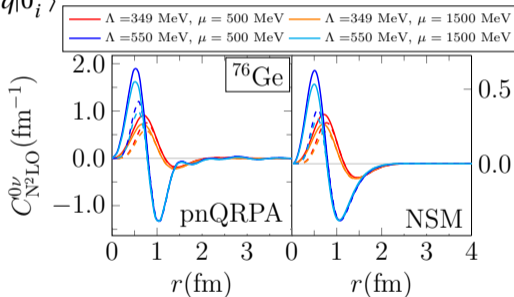
In pnQRPA:

$$|M_{\text{N}^2\text{LO}}/M_{\text{L}}| \approx 2\% - 10\%$$

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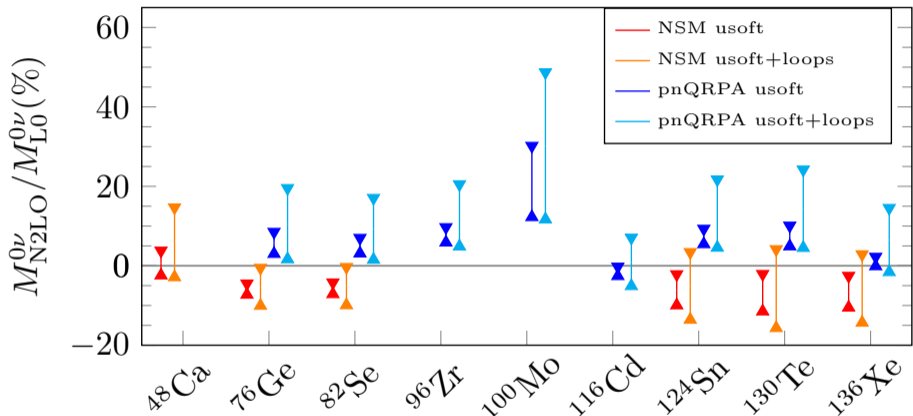
$$|M_{\text{N}^2\text{LO}}/M_{\text{L}}| \approx 4\% - 10\%$$

$$\int C_{\text{N}^2\text{LO}}^{0\nu}(r) dr = M_{\text{loops}}^{0\nu}$$



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Complete N²LO Corrections



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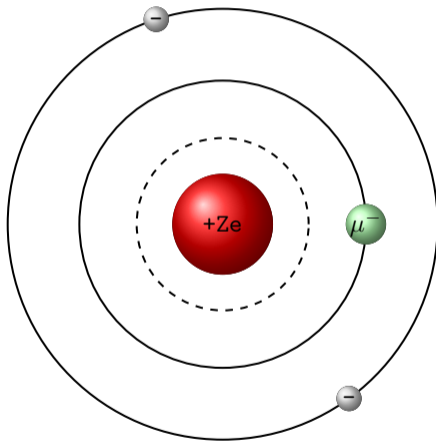
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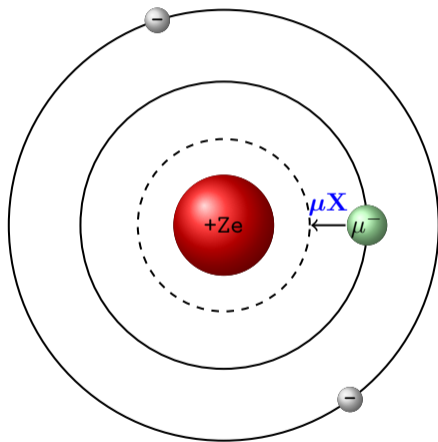
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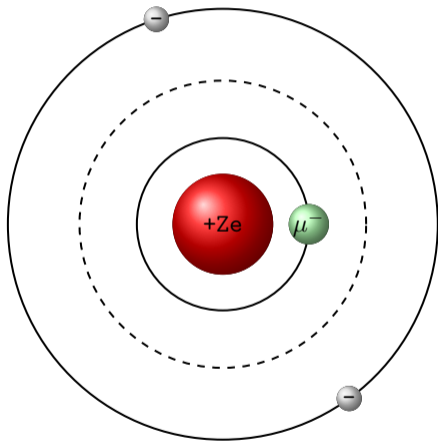
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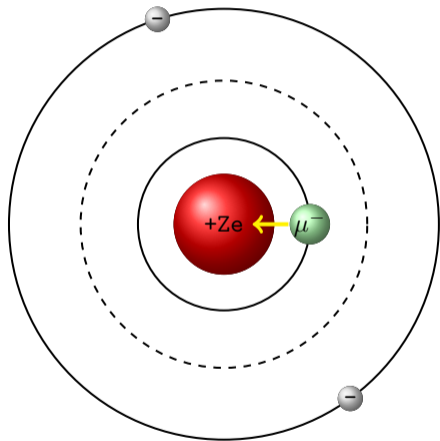
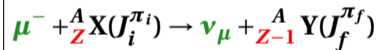
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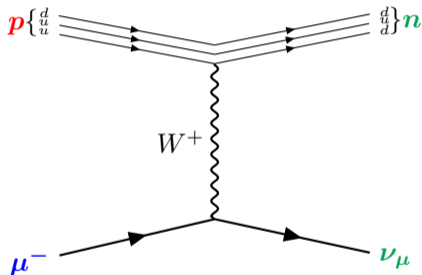
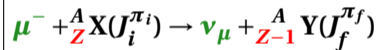
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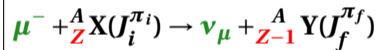
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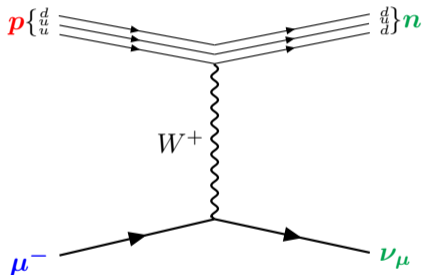
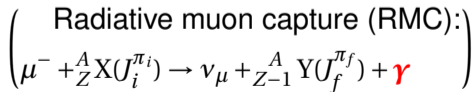


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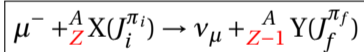
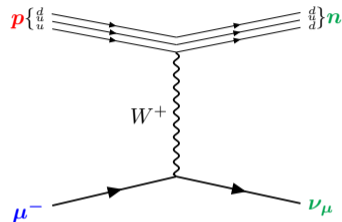
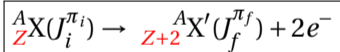
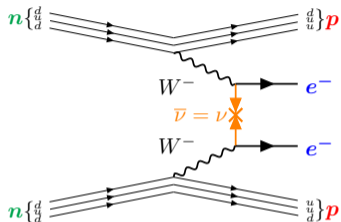
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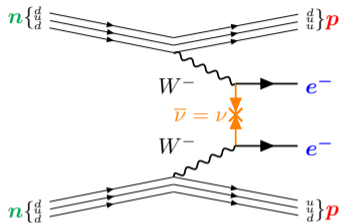
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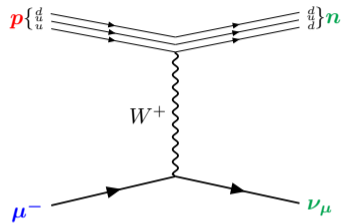
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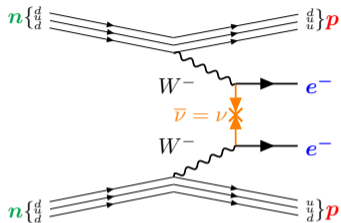


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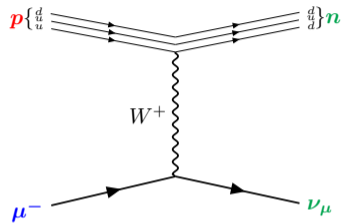
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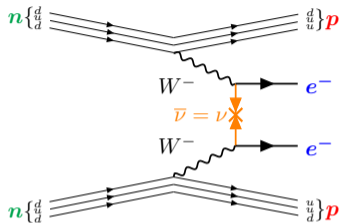


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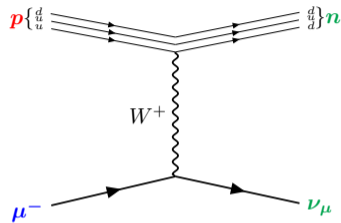
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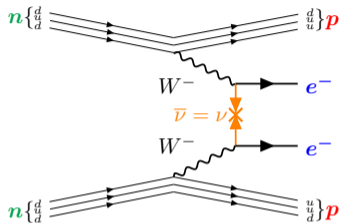
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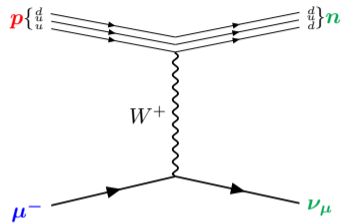
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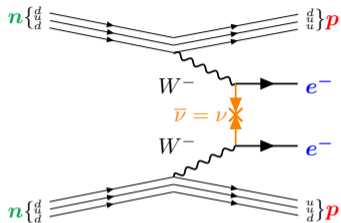
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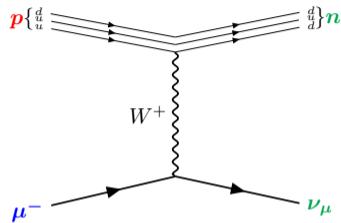
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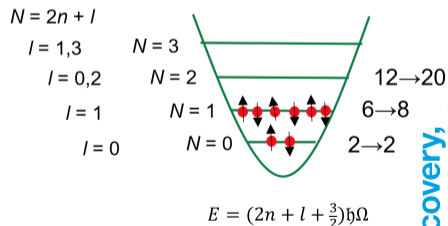
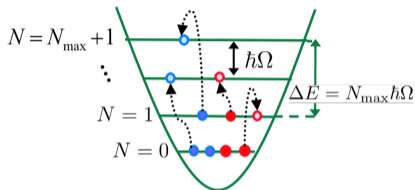


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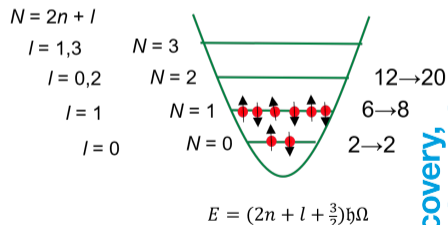
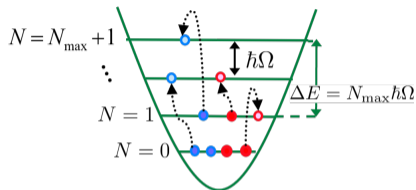


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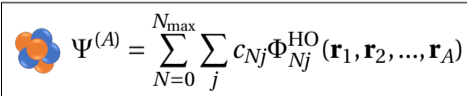
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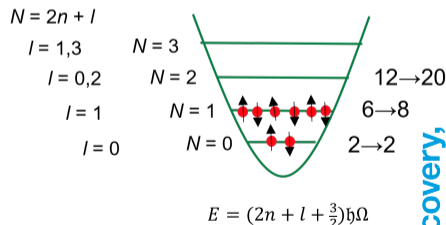
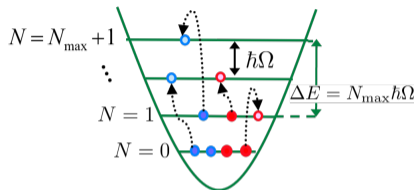
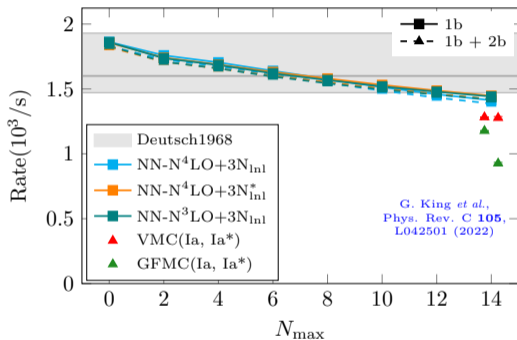
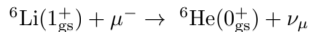


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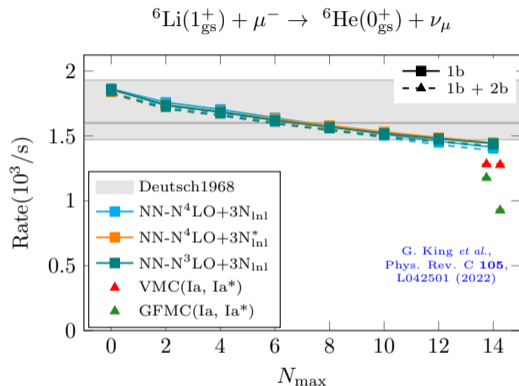


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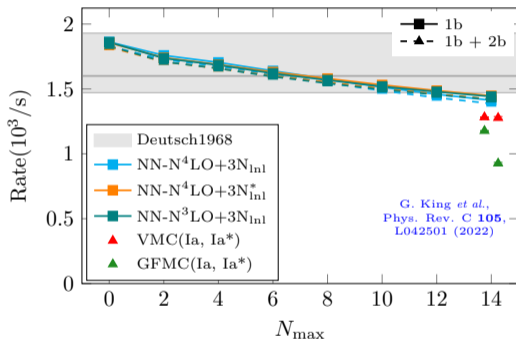
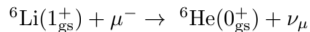
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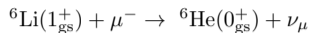
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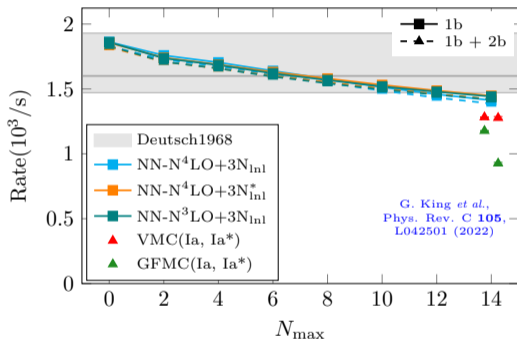
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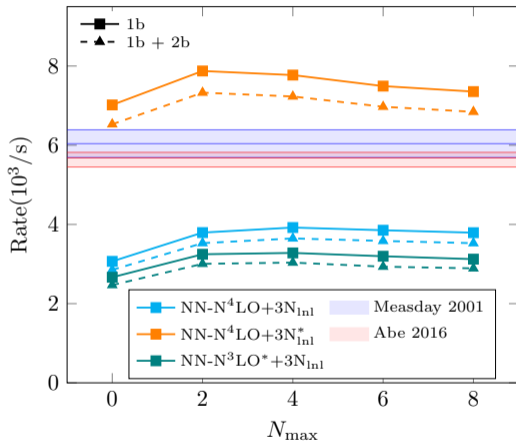
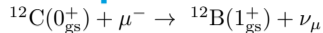


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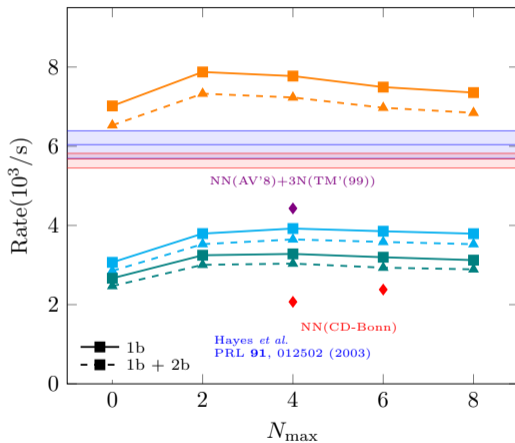
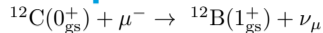


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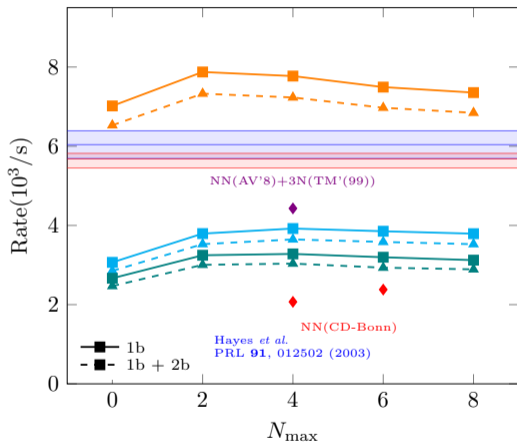
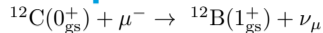


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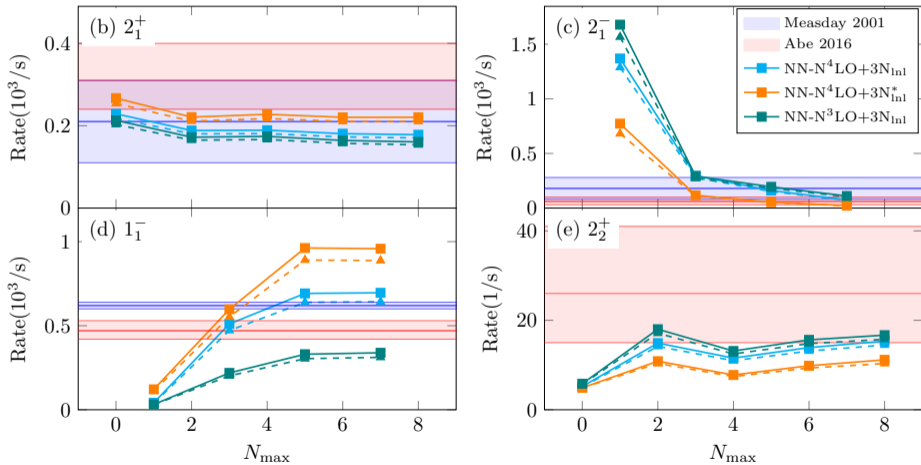
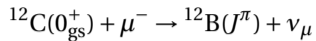
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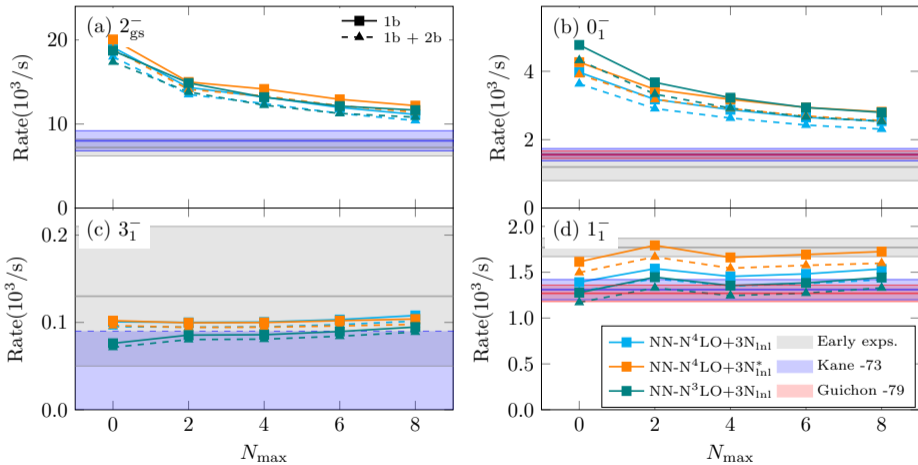
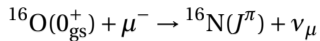
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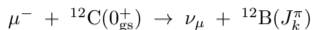


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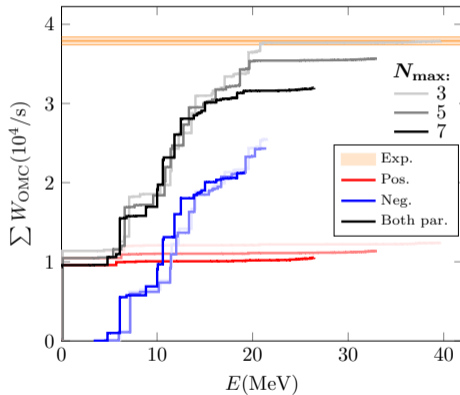




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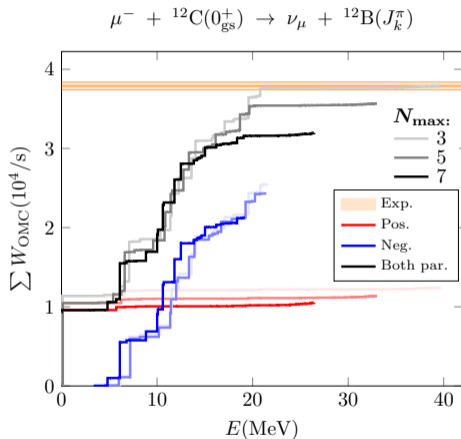


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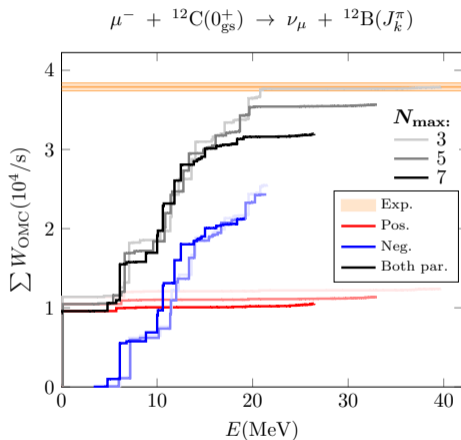
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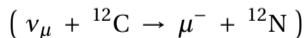
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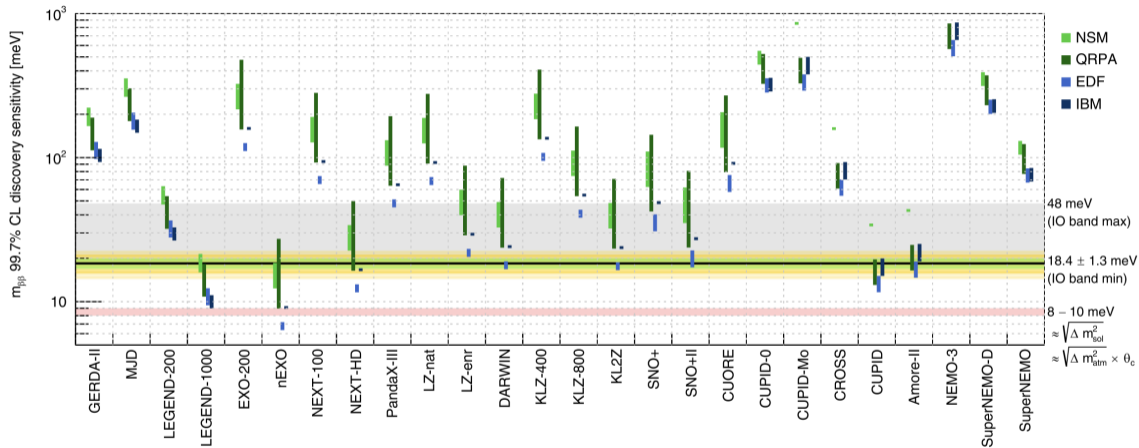
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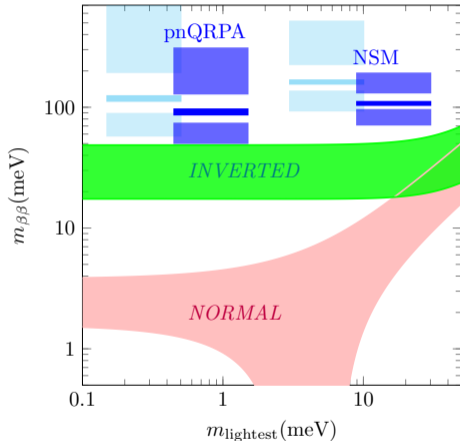
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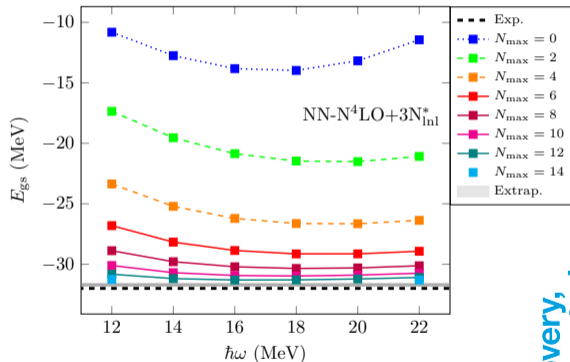
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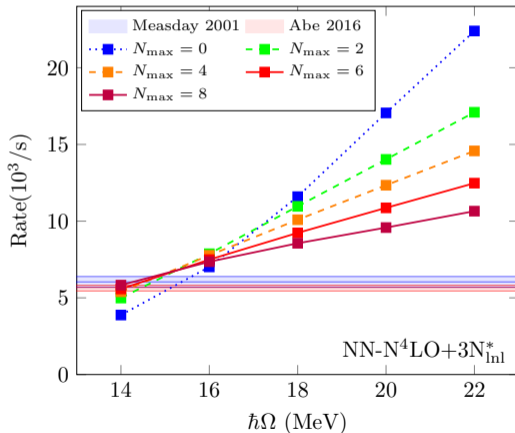
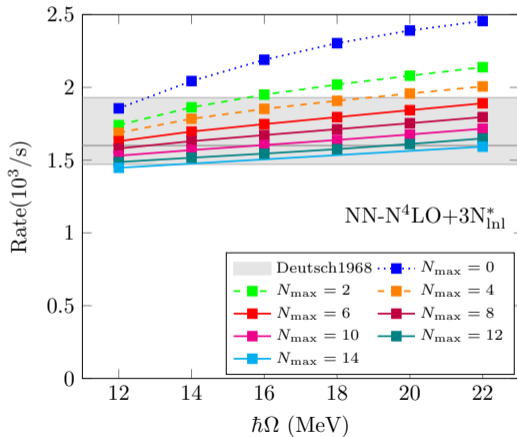
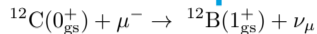
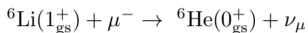
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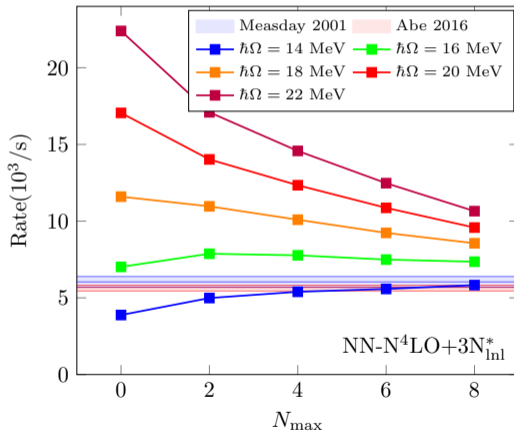
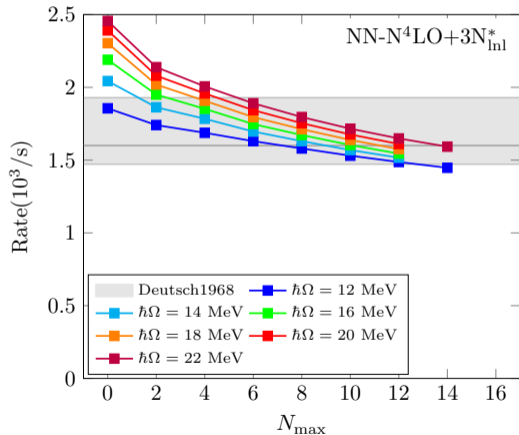
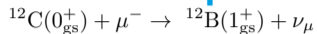
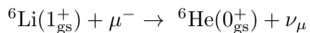
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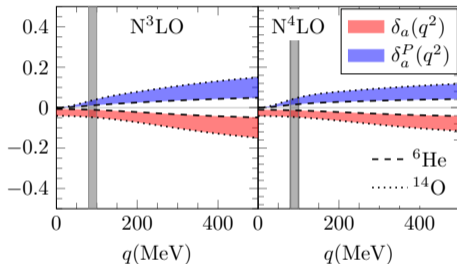
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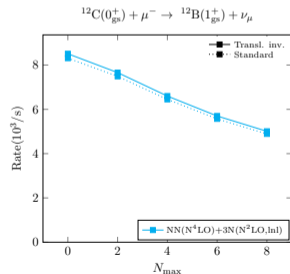
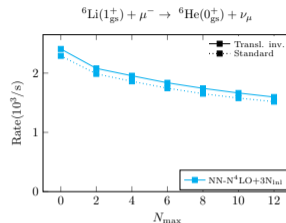
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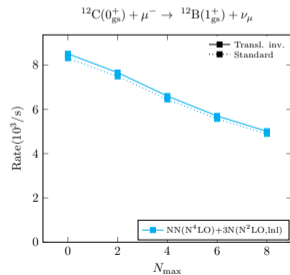
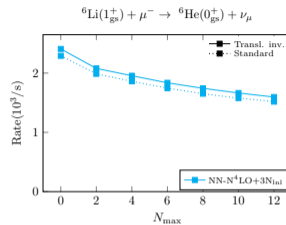
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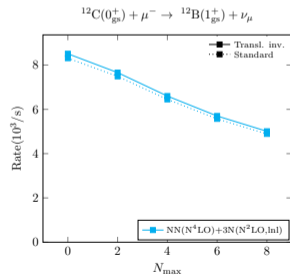
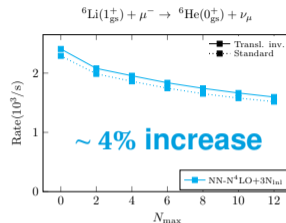
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