

# Precise Neural Network Predictions from the NCSM

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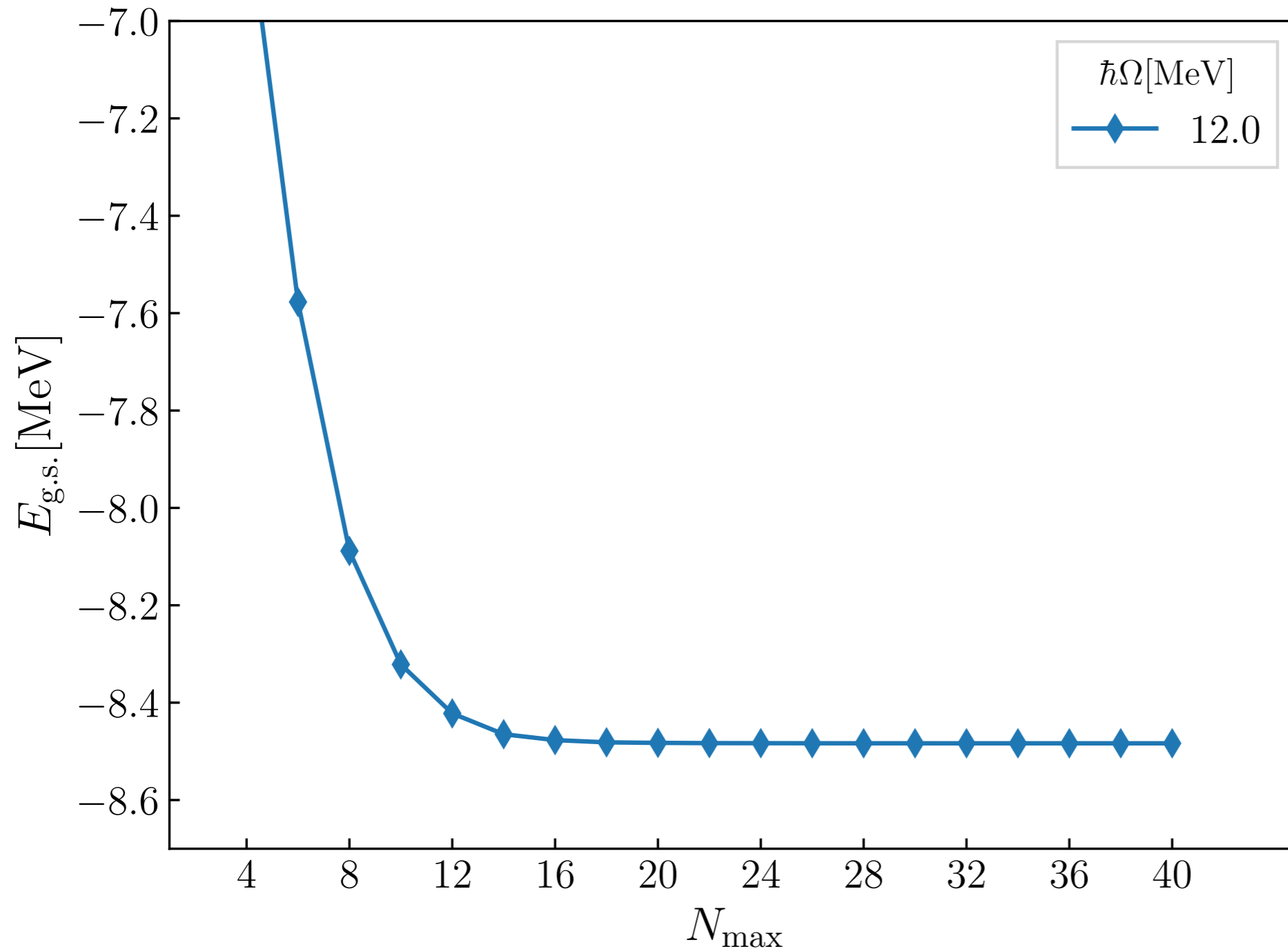
*Barrett, Vary, Navrátil, Maris, Nogga, Roth,...*

no-core shell model is  
universal and powerful ab initio approach for  
light nuclei (up to  $A \approx 25$ )

- solve eigenvalue problem of Hamiltonian represented in model space of HO Slater determinants truncated w.r.t. HO excitation energy  $N_{\max} \hbar \Omega$

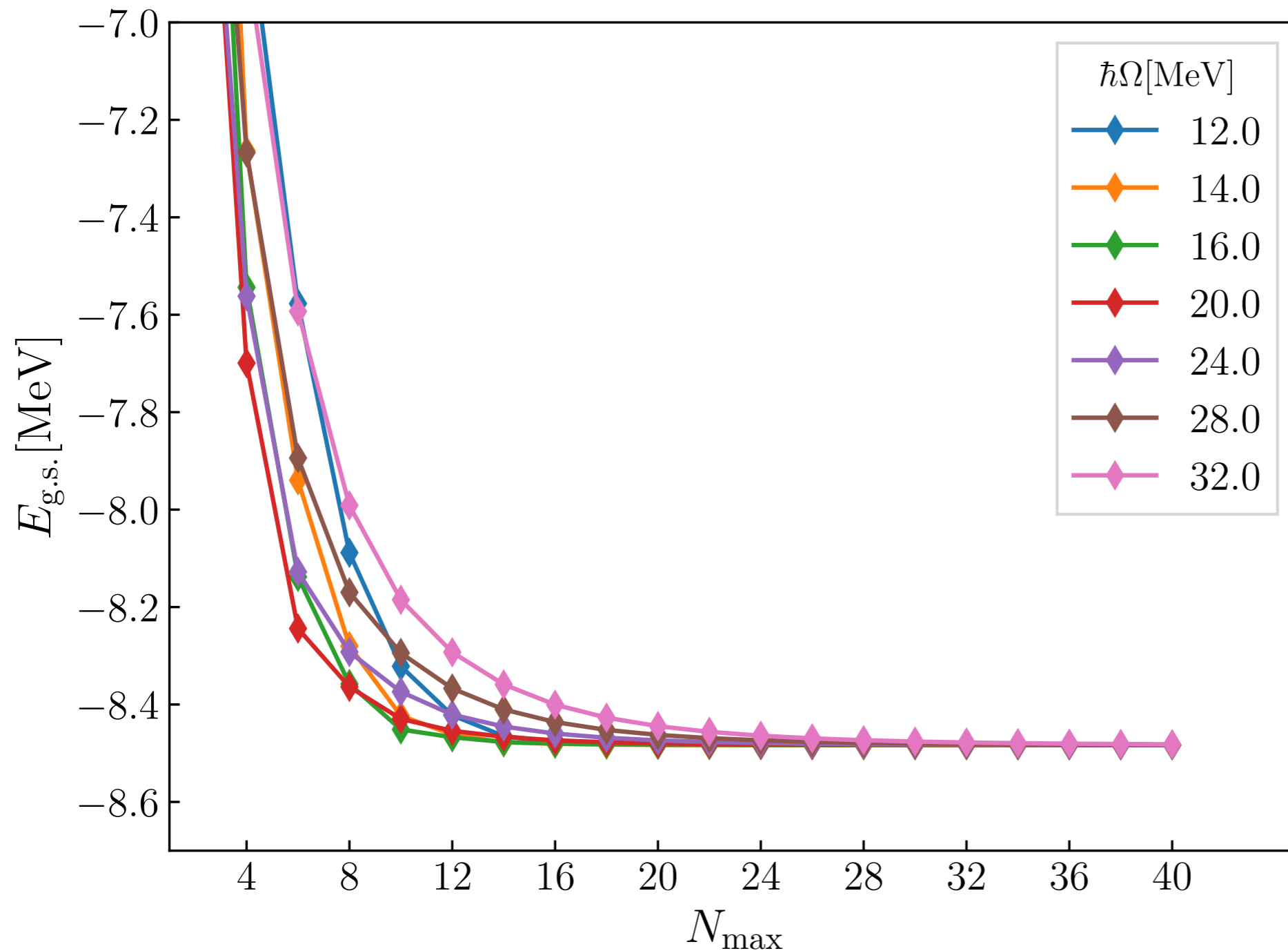
$$\left( \begin{array}{c} \text{[Matrix of blue dots with a diagonal band of yellow and orange dots]} \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ C_{i'}^{(n)} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} = E_n \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ C_i^{(n)} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

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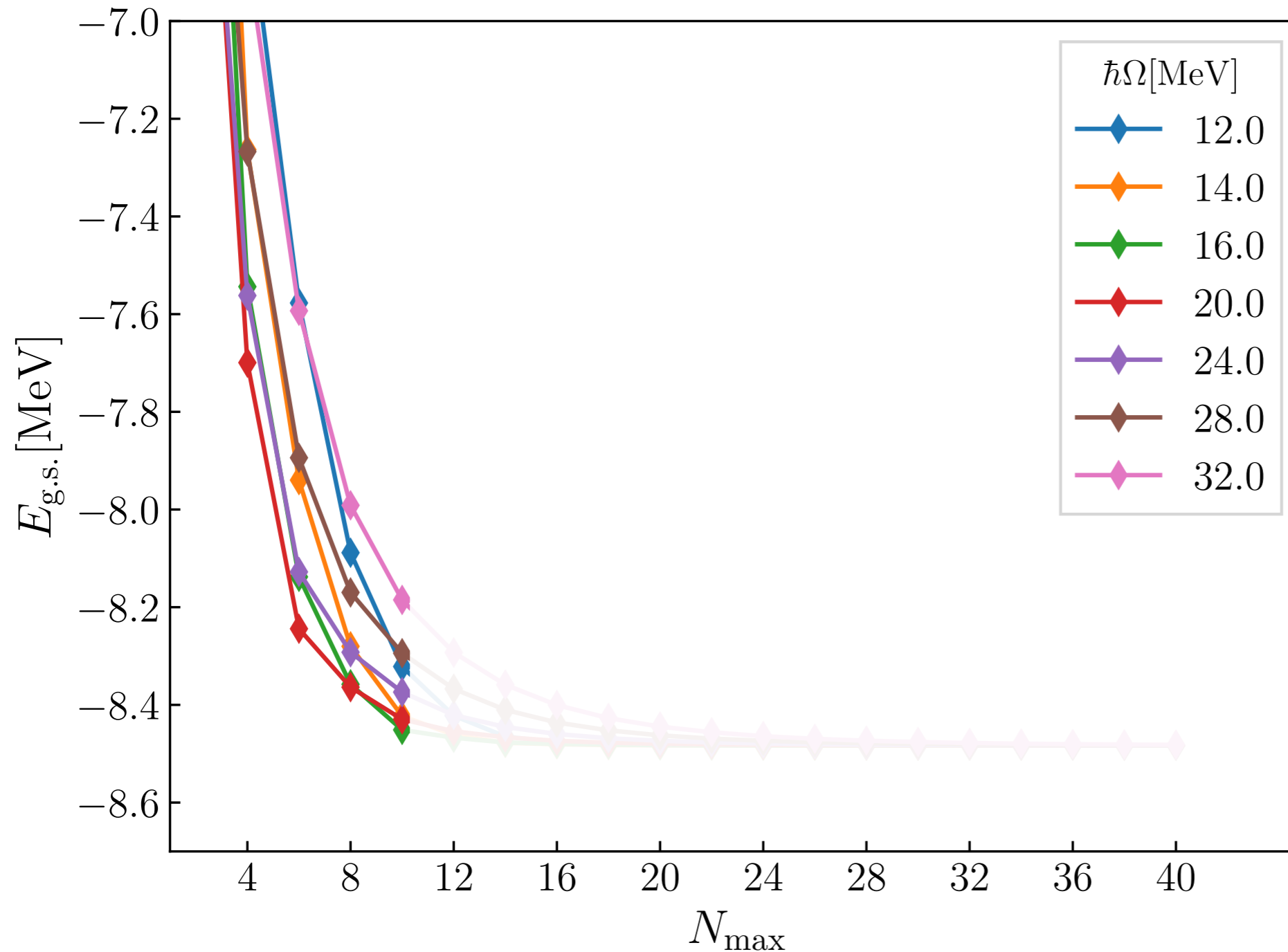
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- for mid-p-shell nuclei  $N_{max}=8,10$  is computational limit
- can we still get an approximation of the converged observable via post-processing?

# Model-Space Extrapolations

- try to model the  $N_{\max}$  and  $\hbar\Omega$  dependence and then extrapolate using...

- **heuristic extrapolation schemes**

*Maris, et al., PRC 79, 014308 (2009)*

- ...typically based on exponential parametrizations
- ...combined with manual frequency selection/optimization
- ...works OK for energies, not suitable for other observables

- **effective-theory-based IR extrapolations**

*Coon et al., PRC 86, 054002 (2012)*  
*Furnstahl et al., PRC 86, 031301 (2012)*  
*More et al., PRC 87, 044326 (2013)*  
*Furnstahl et al., PRC 89, 044301 (2014)*

- ...difficult and expensive to obtain enough UV-converged data
- ...not really compatible with  $N_{\max}$ -type many-body truncations
- ...hardly ever applied in production runs

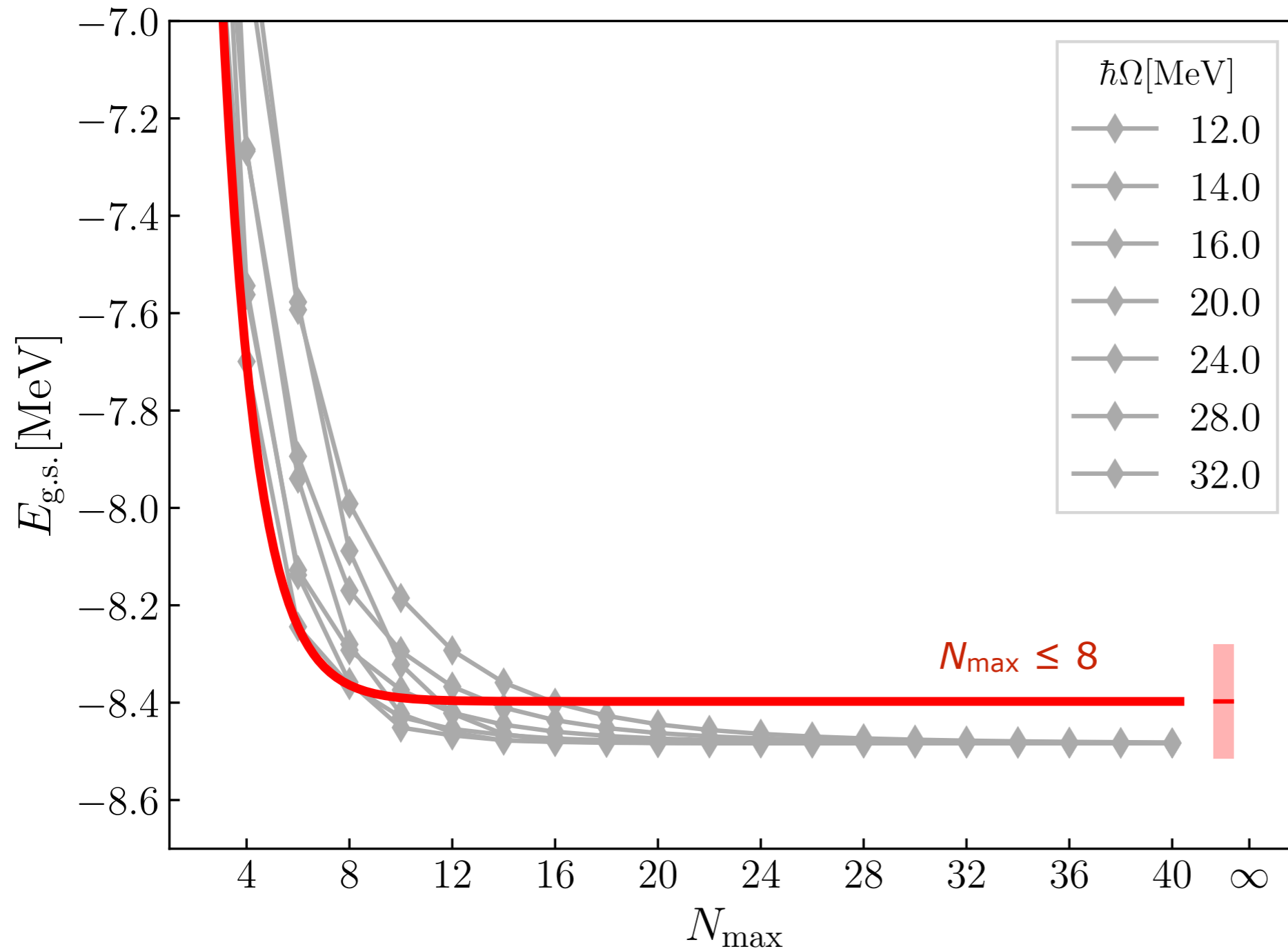
- **artificial neural networks**

*Negoita et al., PRC 99, 054308 (2019)*  
*Jiang et al., PRC 100, 054326 (2019)*

- ...needs retraining of ANN for each interaction, nucleus, state
- ...requires lots of training data for specific application case
- ...ANNs are typically not that great for extrapolations

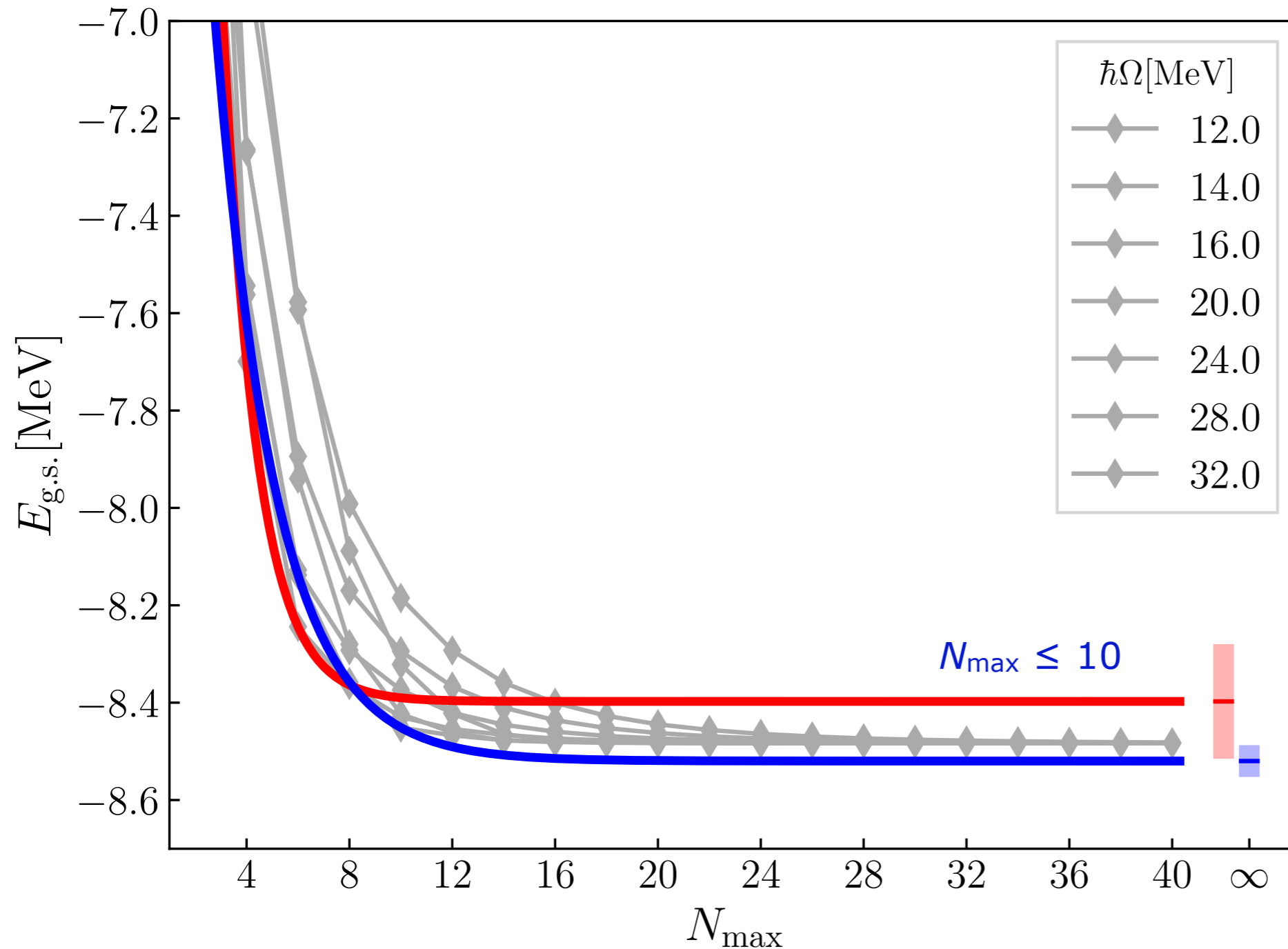


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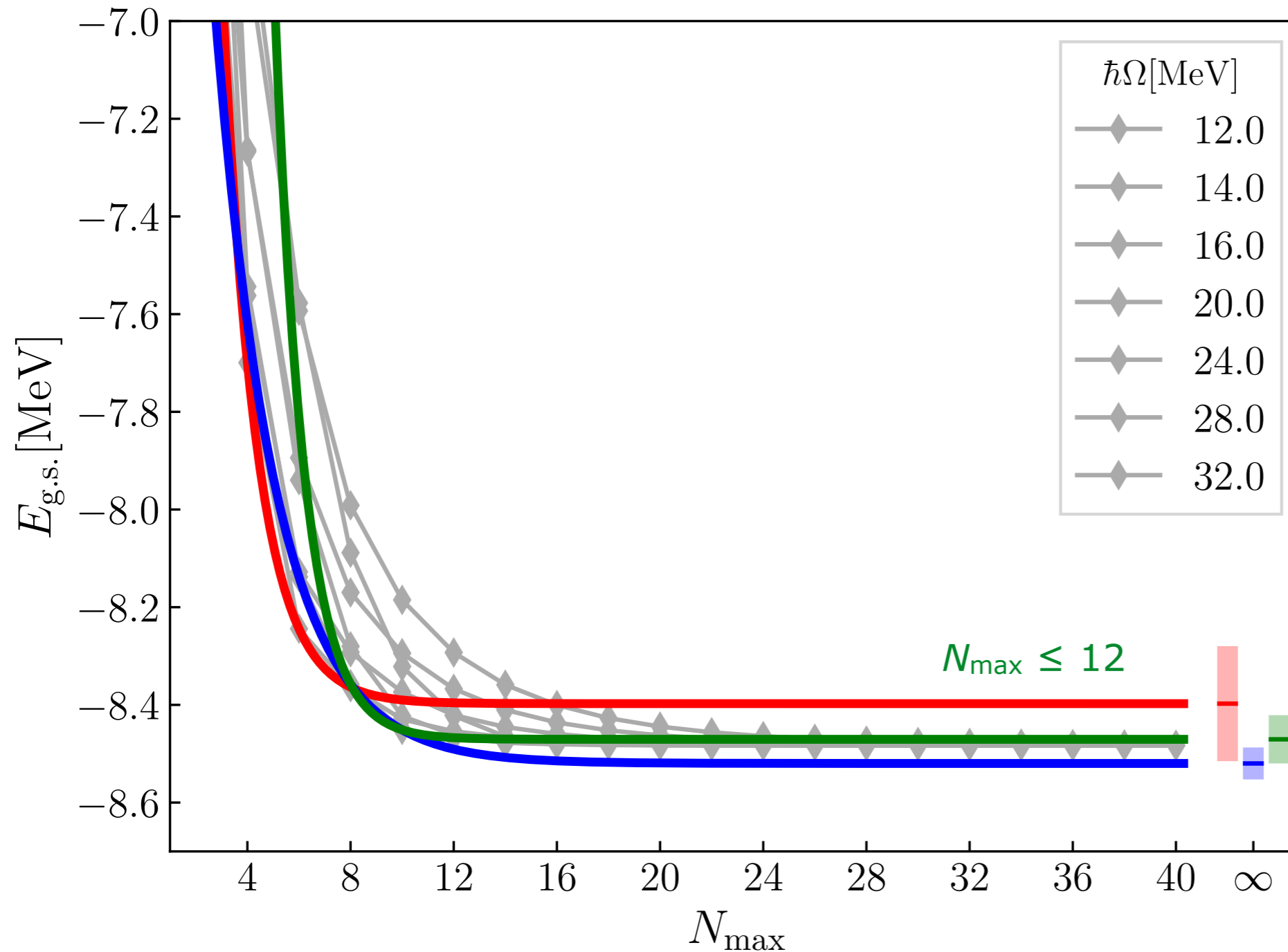
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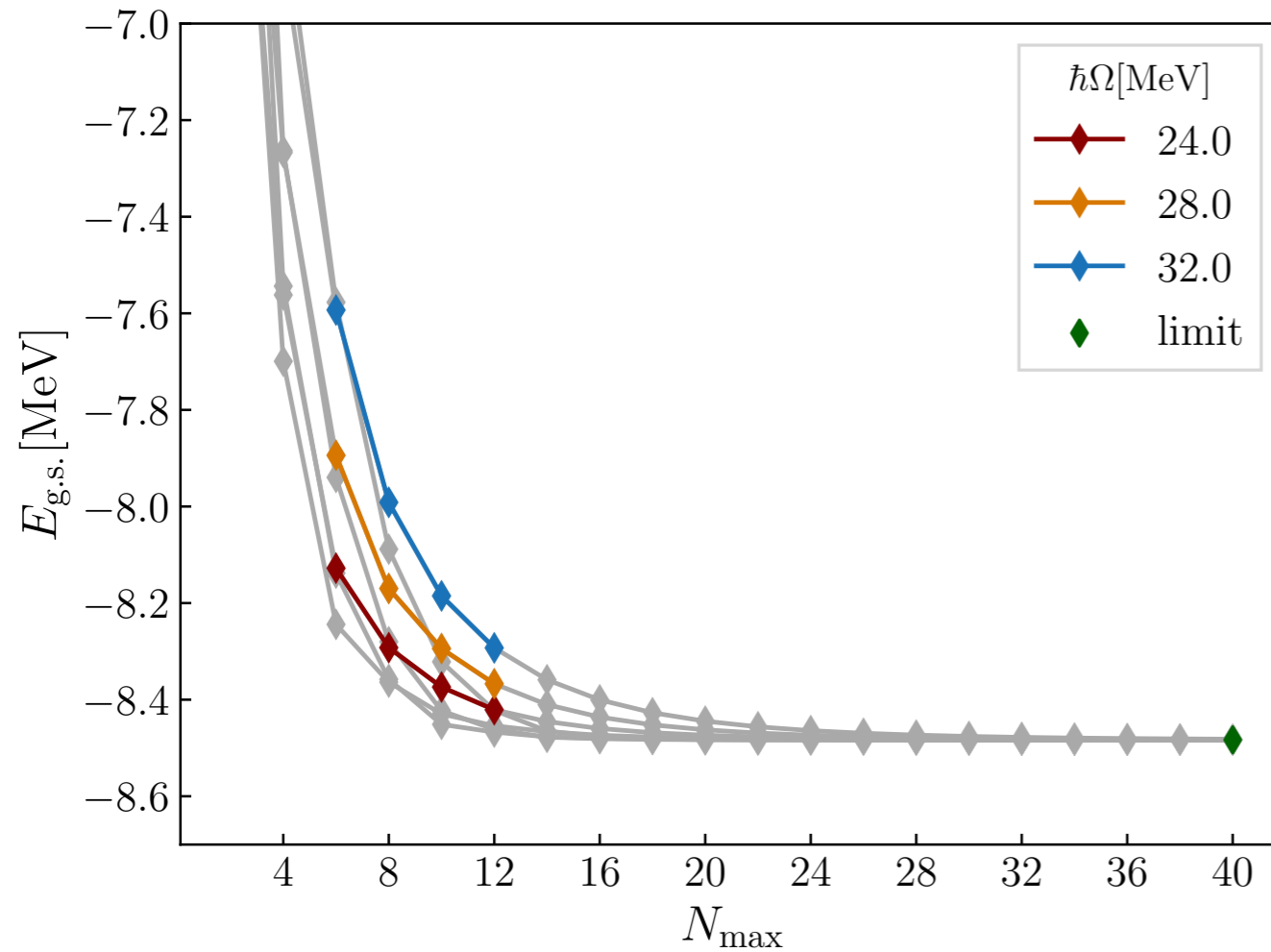
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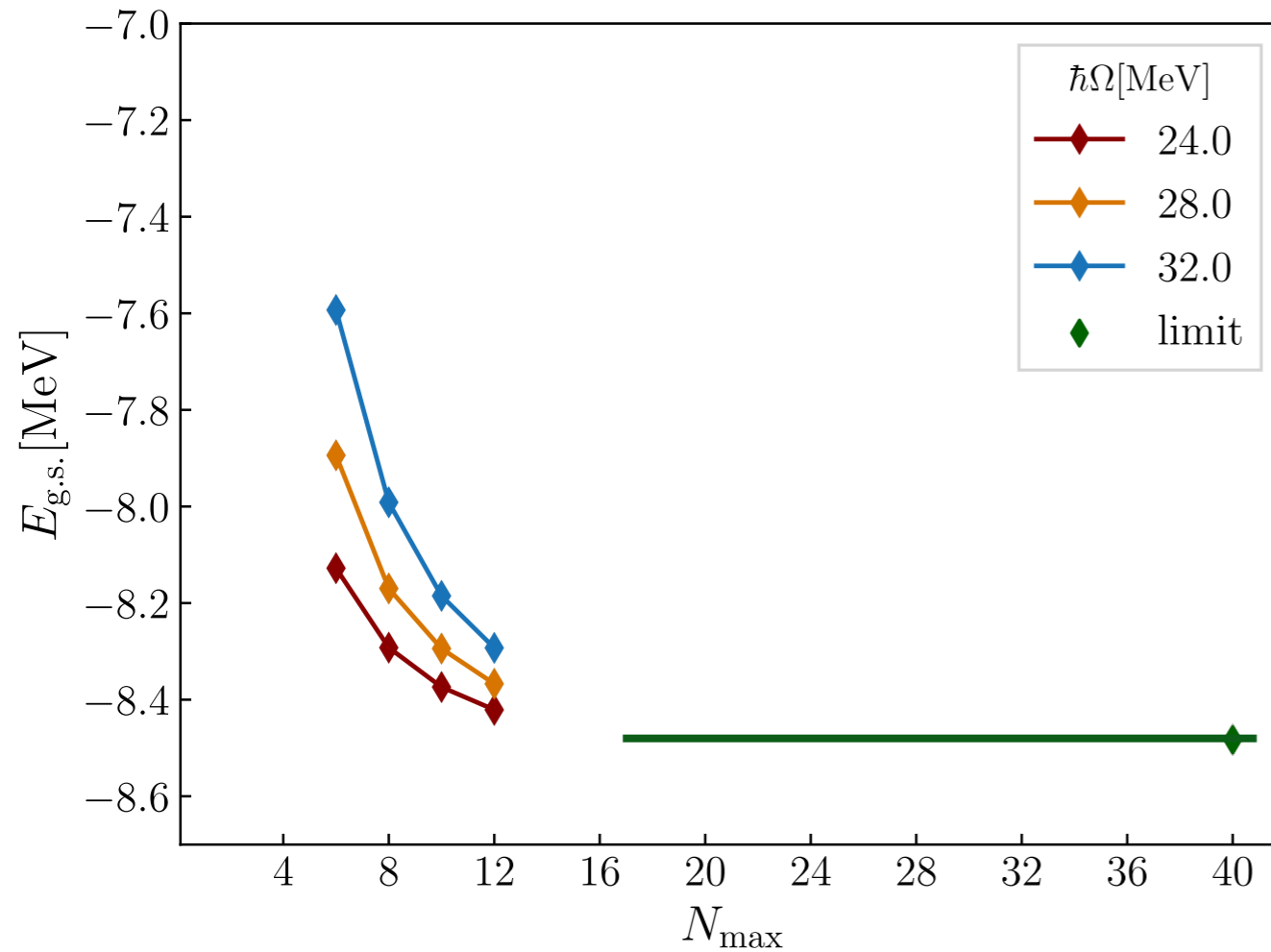


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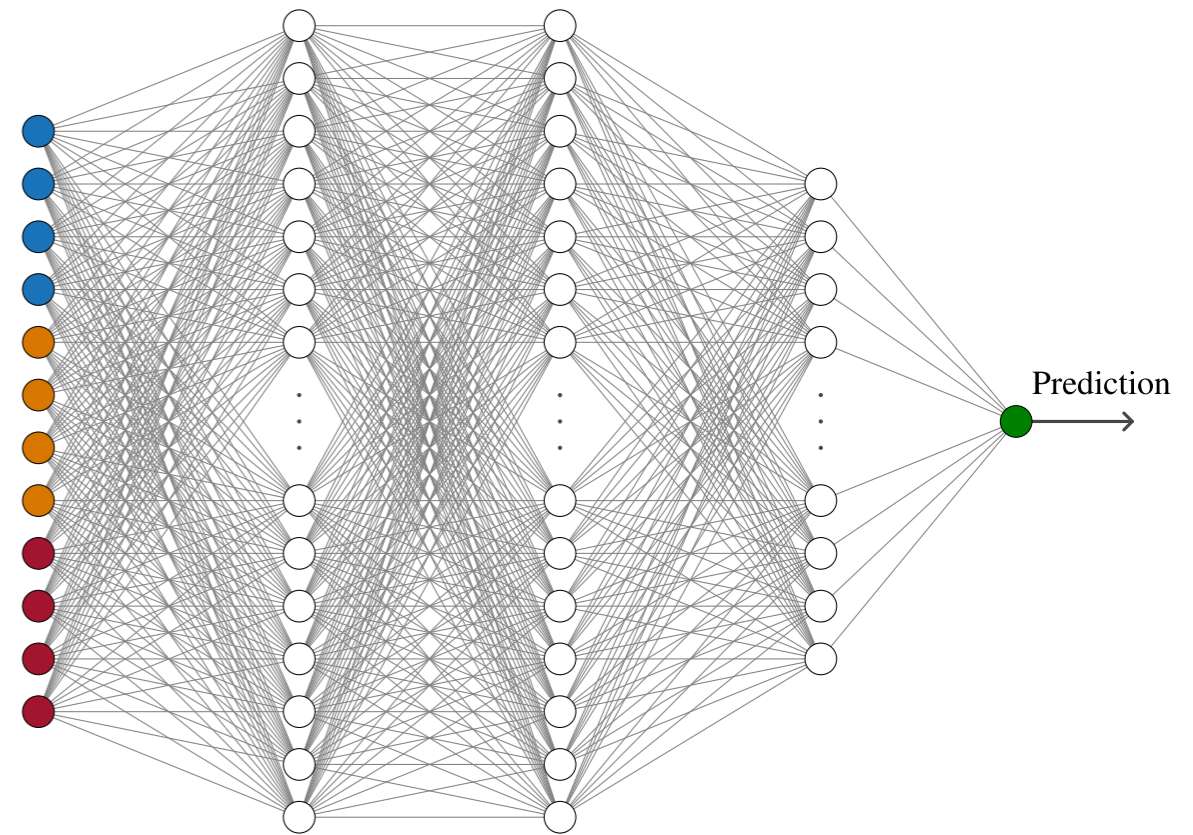
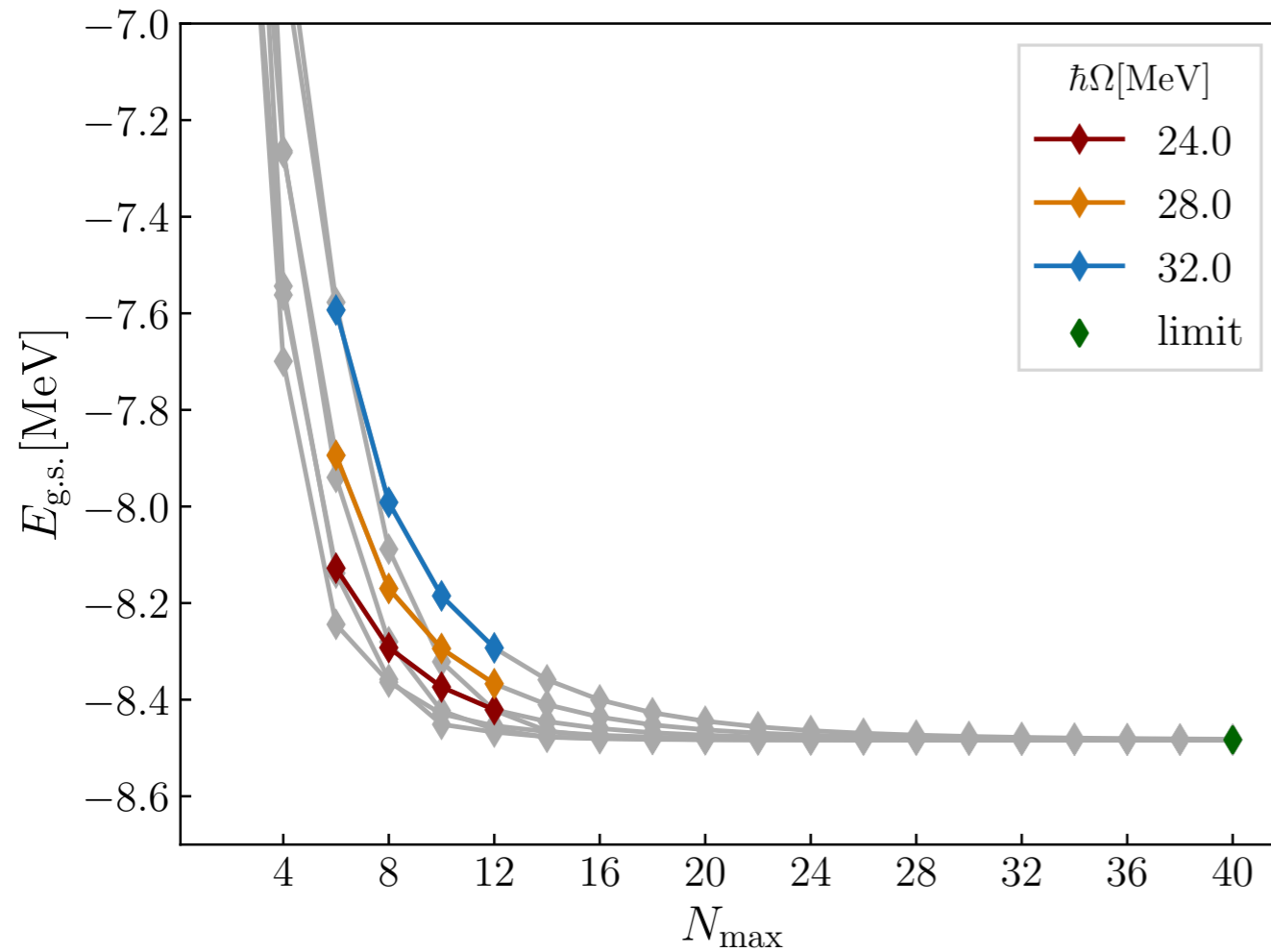


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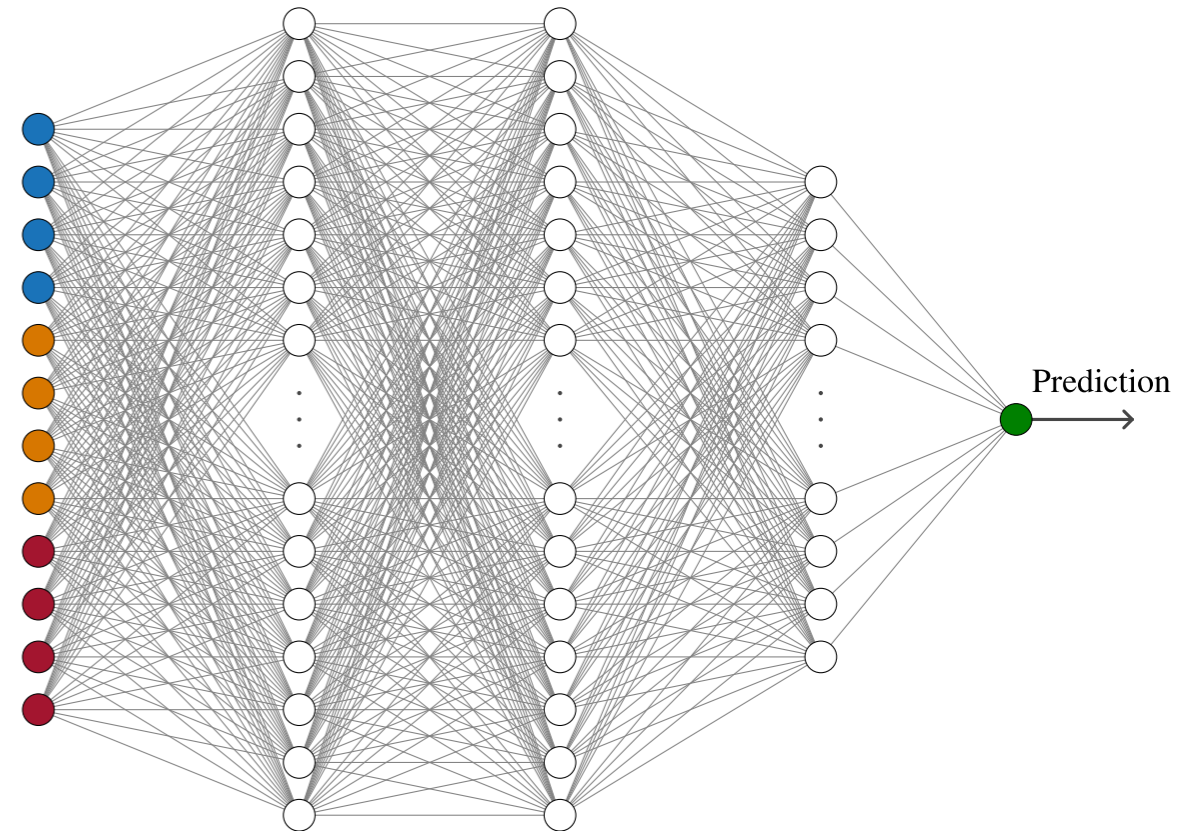
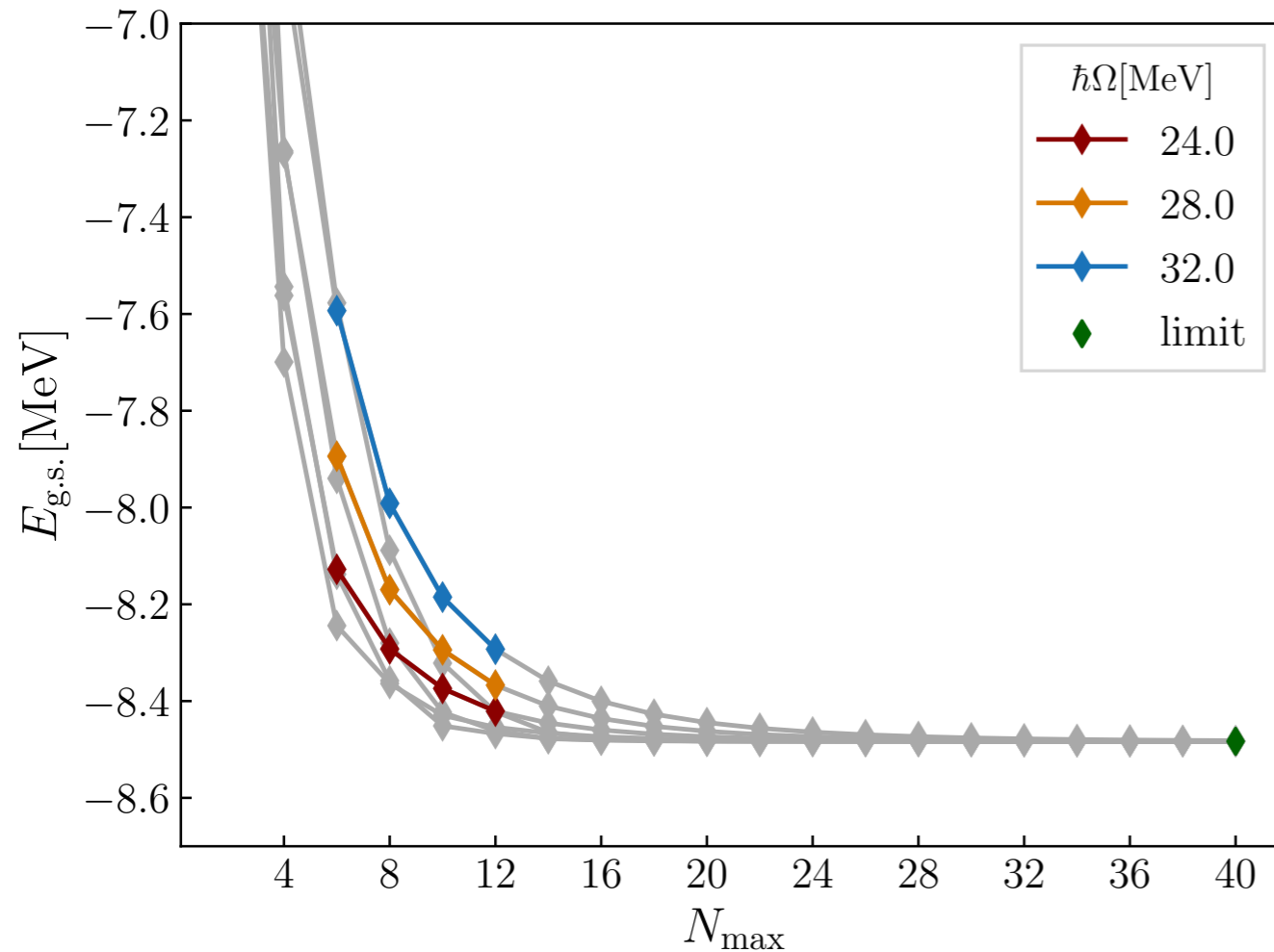


train **neural network** to identify the convergence patterns and to **predict the converged value** on this basis

ANNs are great for pattern recognition

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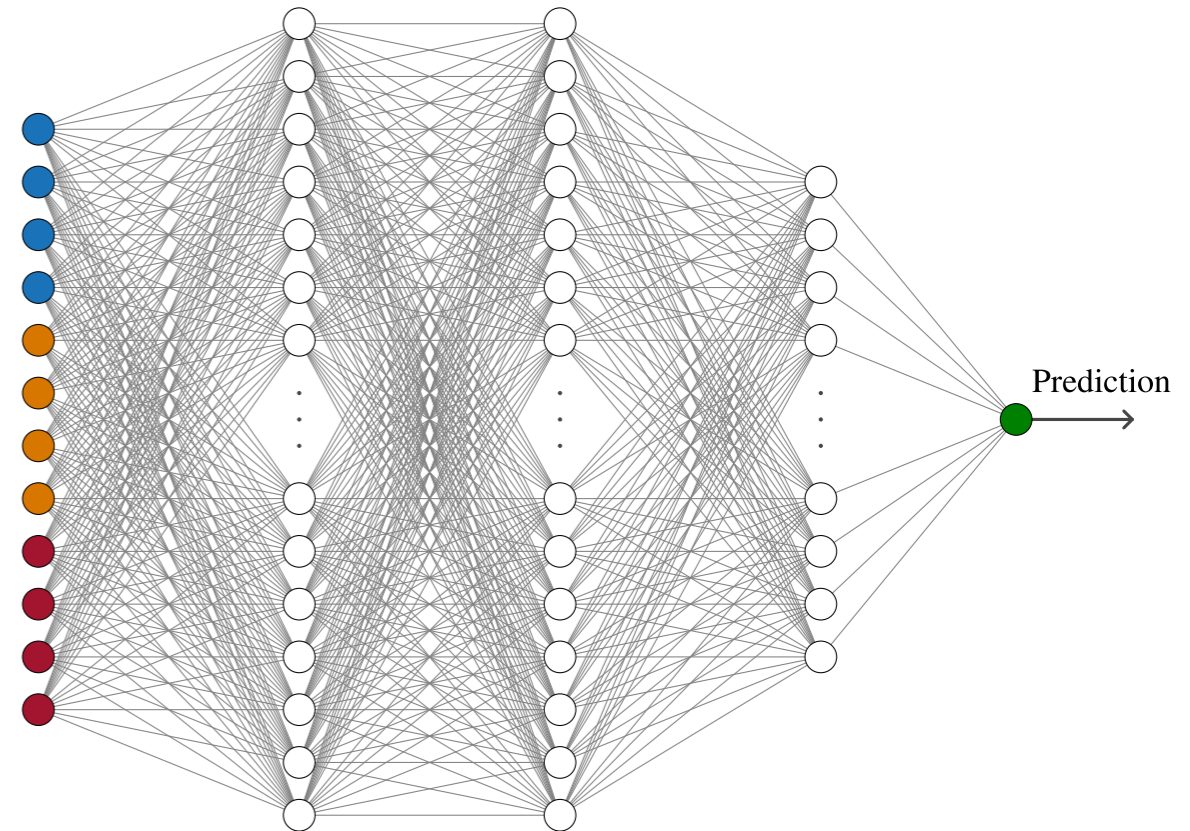
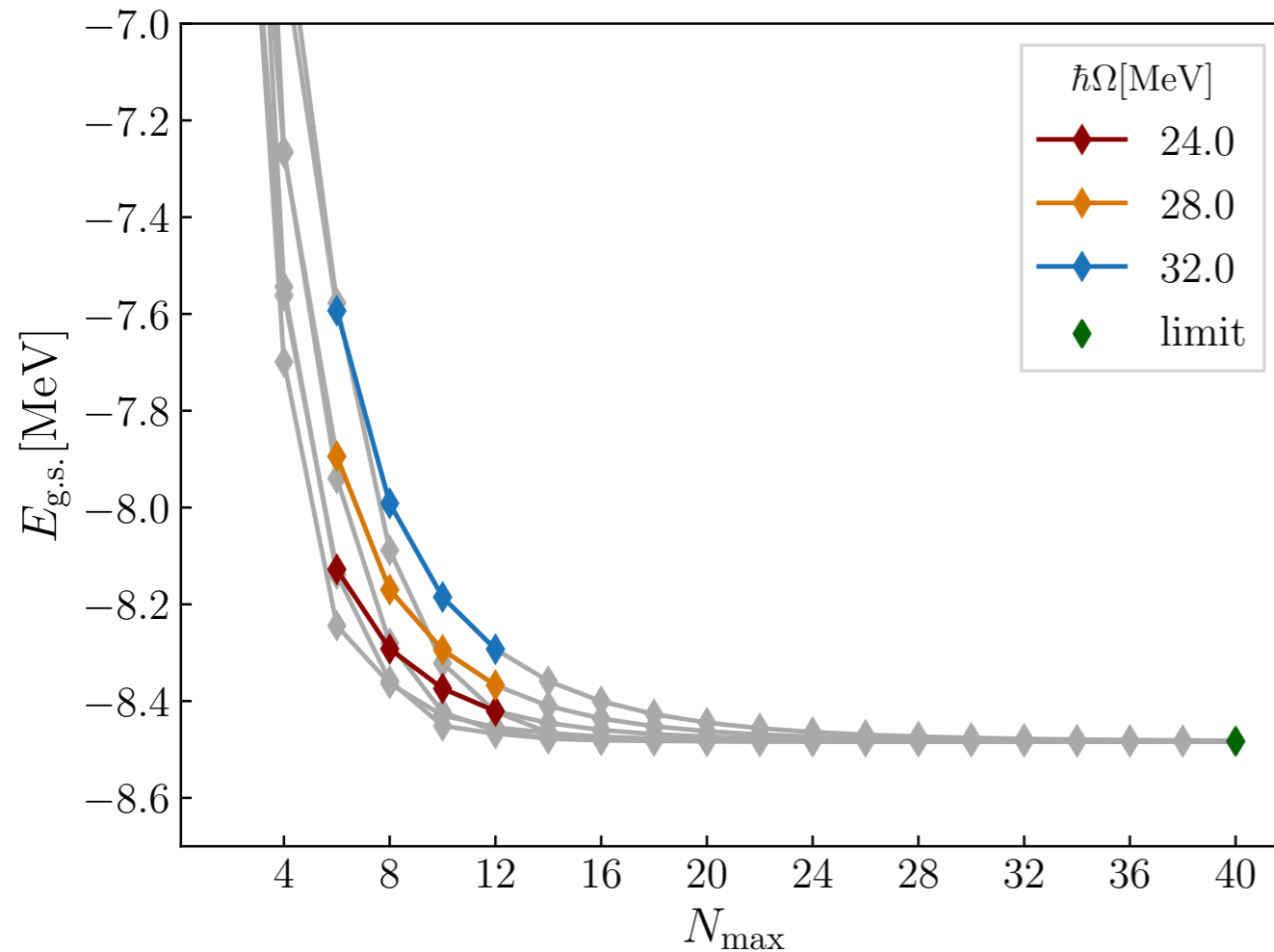
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- create data **samples** of 4 consecutive  $N_{max}$  and 3 different  $\hbar\Omega$
- feed 12 values of observable into dense, deep, feed-forward network
- output is a single value for the converged observable
- ANN has not information about actual interaction, nucleus,  $N_{max}$ ,  $\hbar\Omega$ , etc.

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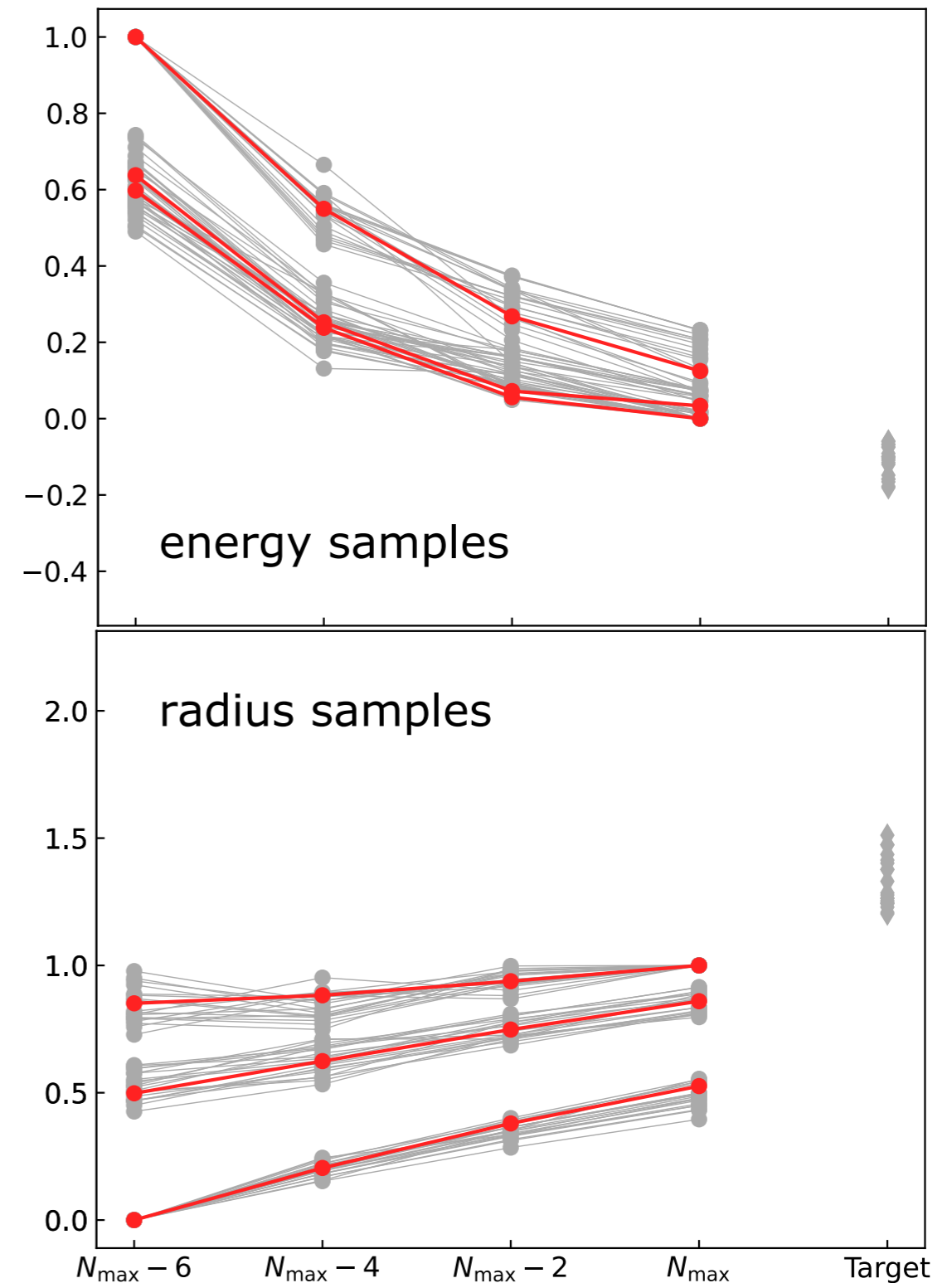
- 3 hidden layers with (48,48,24) neurons using ReLU activation function  
→ approx. 4200 weight/bias parameters
- hyper-parameter optimization yields this as robust topology
- use normalization of input data to eliminate nucleus-specific scales



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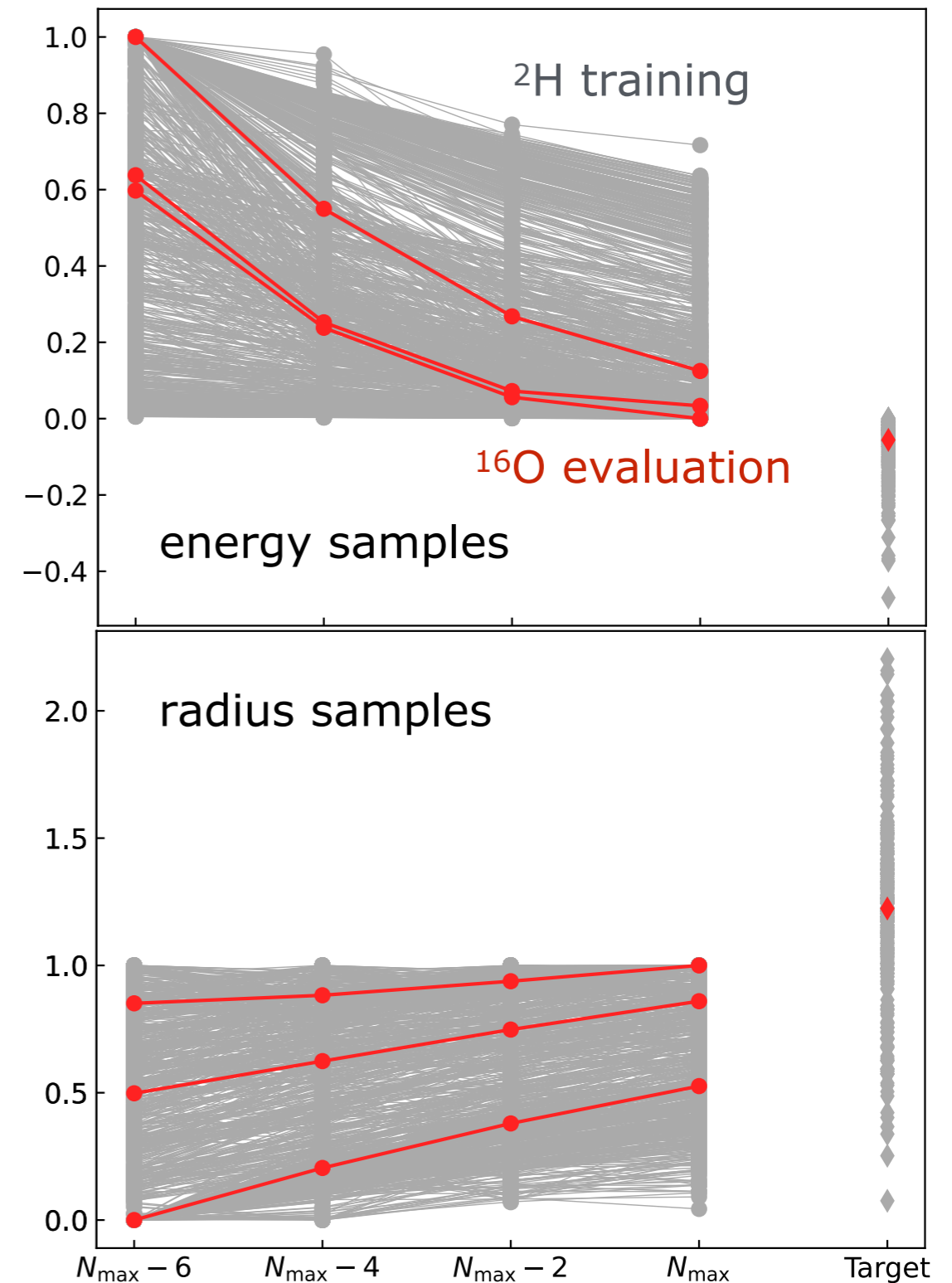
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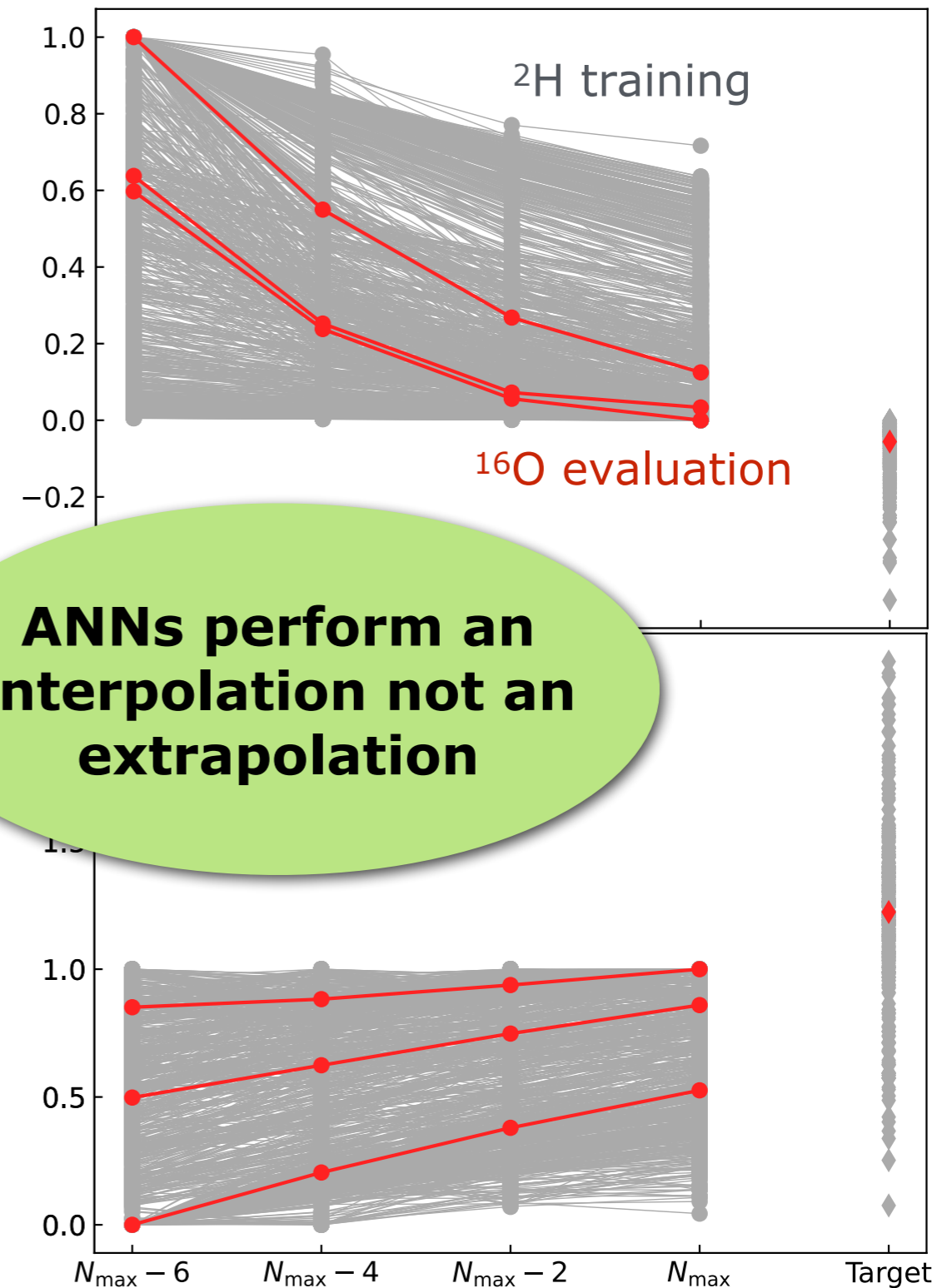
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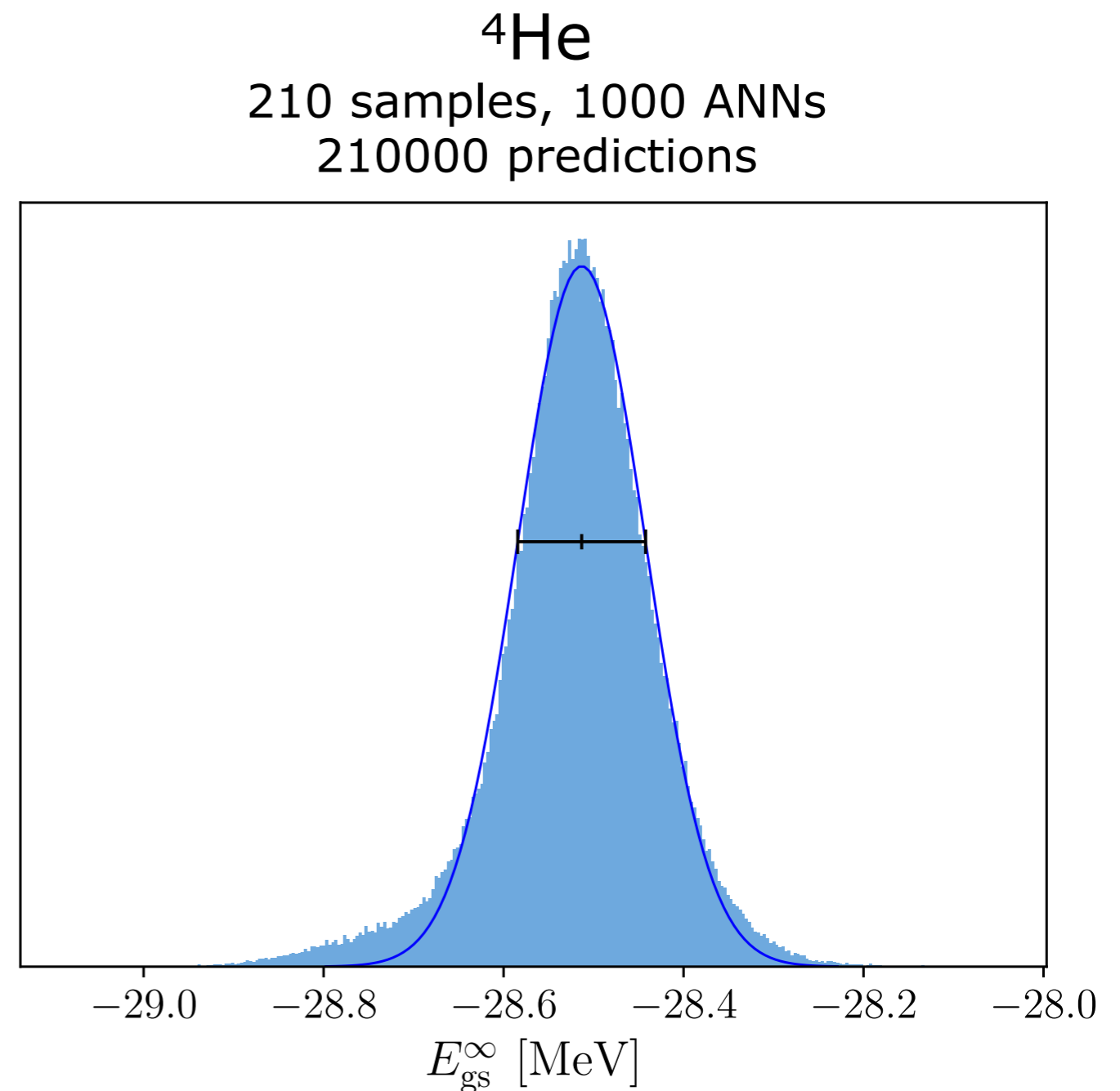
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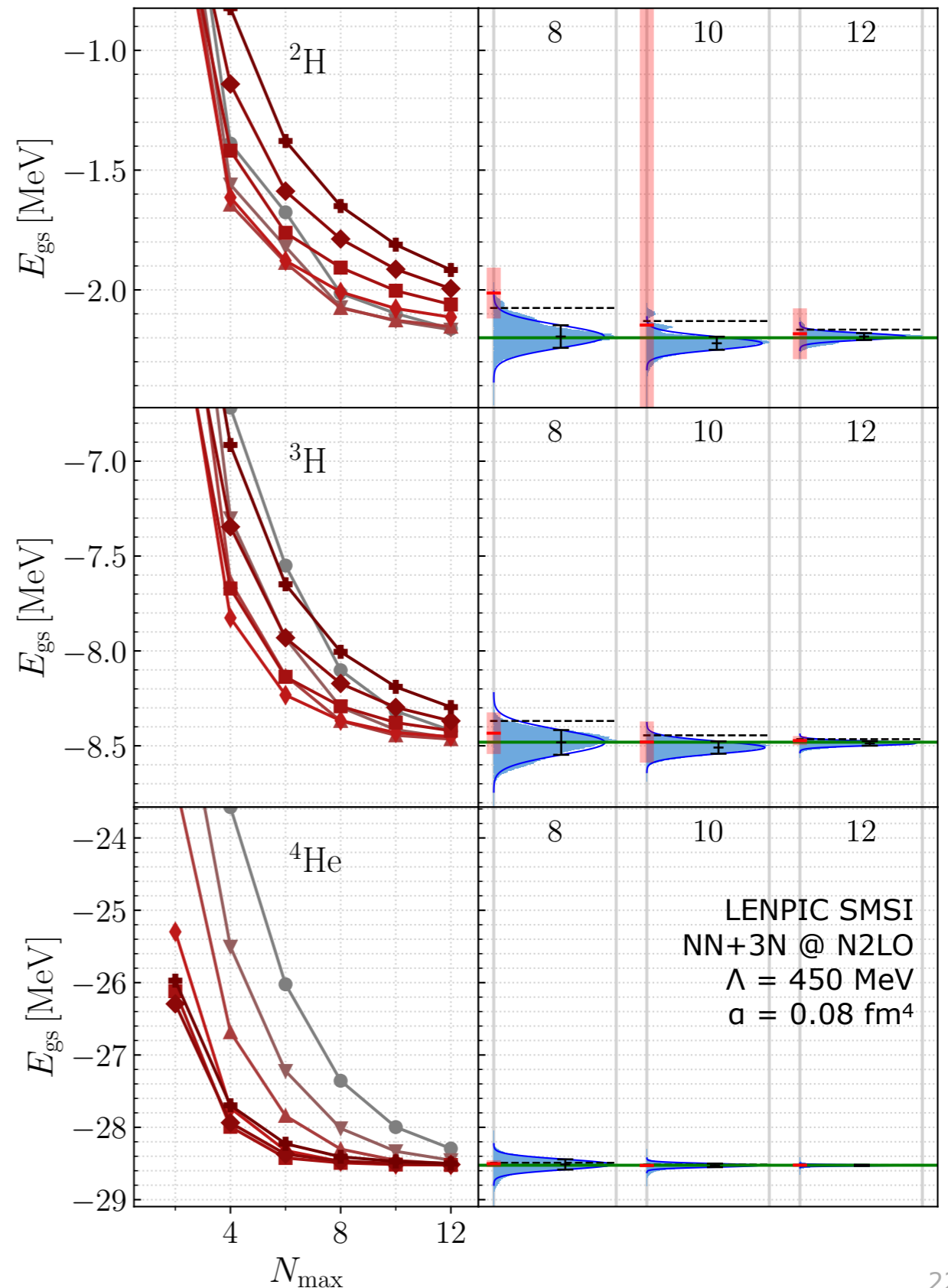
- obtain multiple predictions of converged observable from
  - different samples constructed from **evaluation data**
  - **several ANN realizations** from separate, randomly initialized training runs
- distribution of predictions provides statistically meaningful estimate for **model-space uncertainty**
- typically close to Gaussian distribution, use mean and standard deviation



# Examples

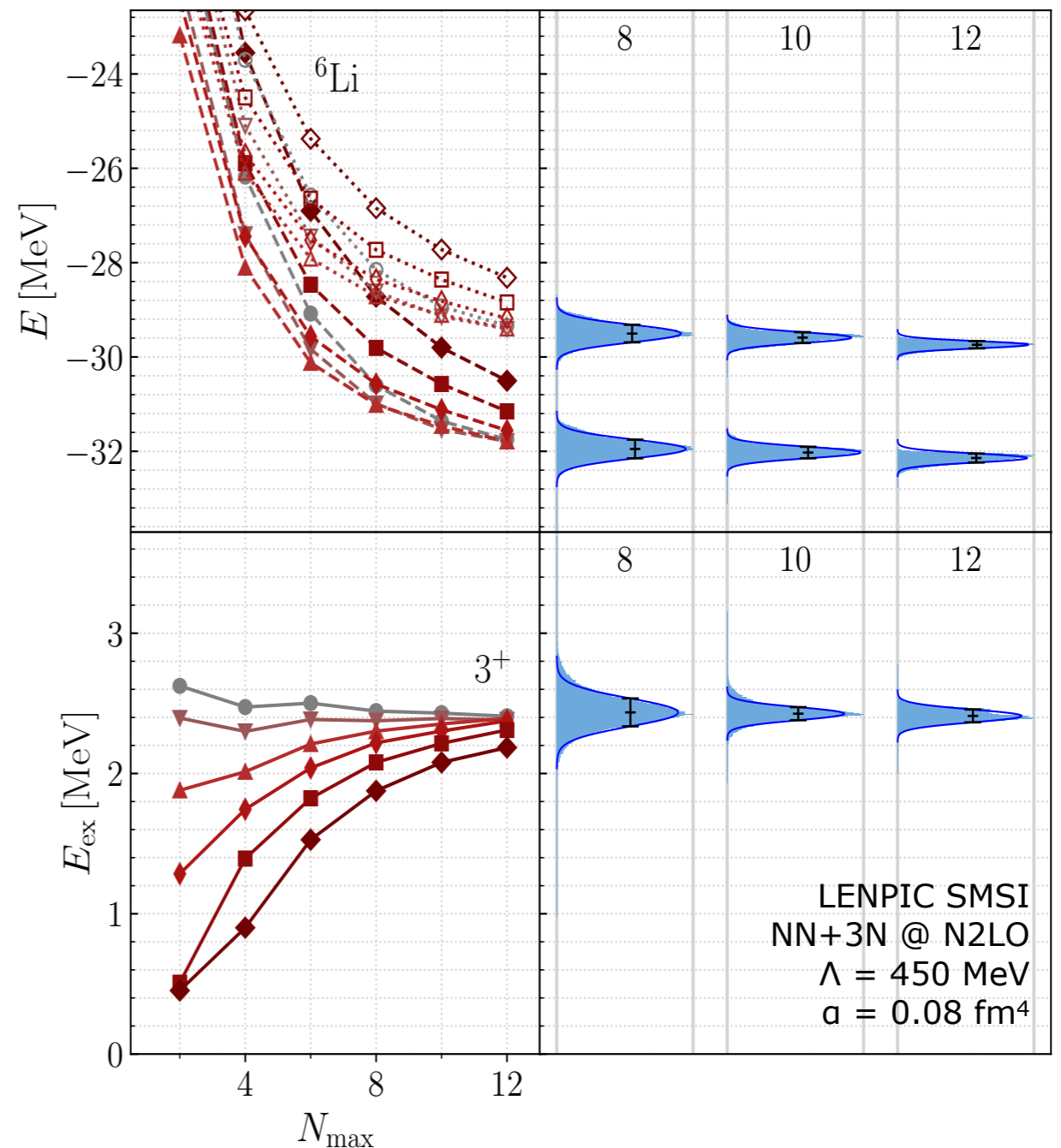
# Ground-State Energies

- training yields **standard set of 1000 energy-ANNs** that is used for all evaluations of energies
- application to NCSM data obtained with different NN+3N interaction not seen in training
- separate samples by largest  $N_{\max}=8,10,12$  to assess robustness and consistency of predictions
- predictions always agree with exact result within  $1\sigma$



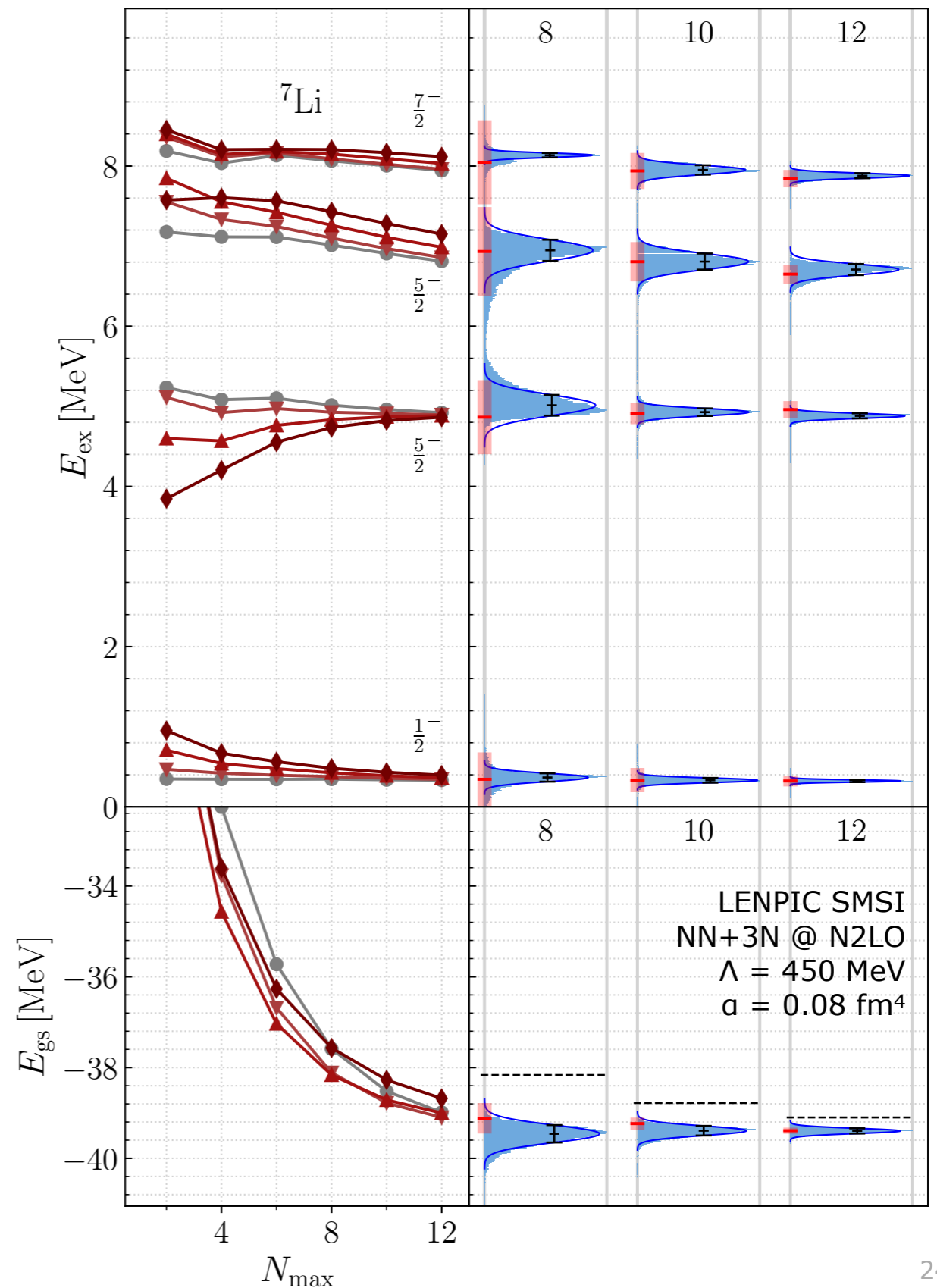
# Difference Observables

- use the same **standard set of 1000 energy-ANNs** to predict excited-state energies and excitation energies
- for each sample use ANN to predict converged ground-state and excited state energy
- sample-wise difference yields excitation energy
- construct distribution by looping over all samples and ANNs
- for difference quantities correlations in the convergence patterns are taken into account



# Excitation Energies

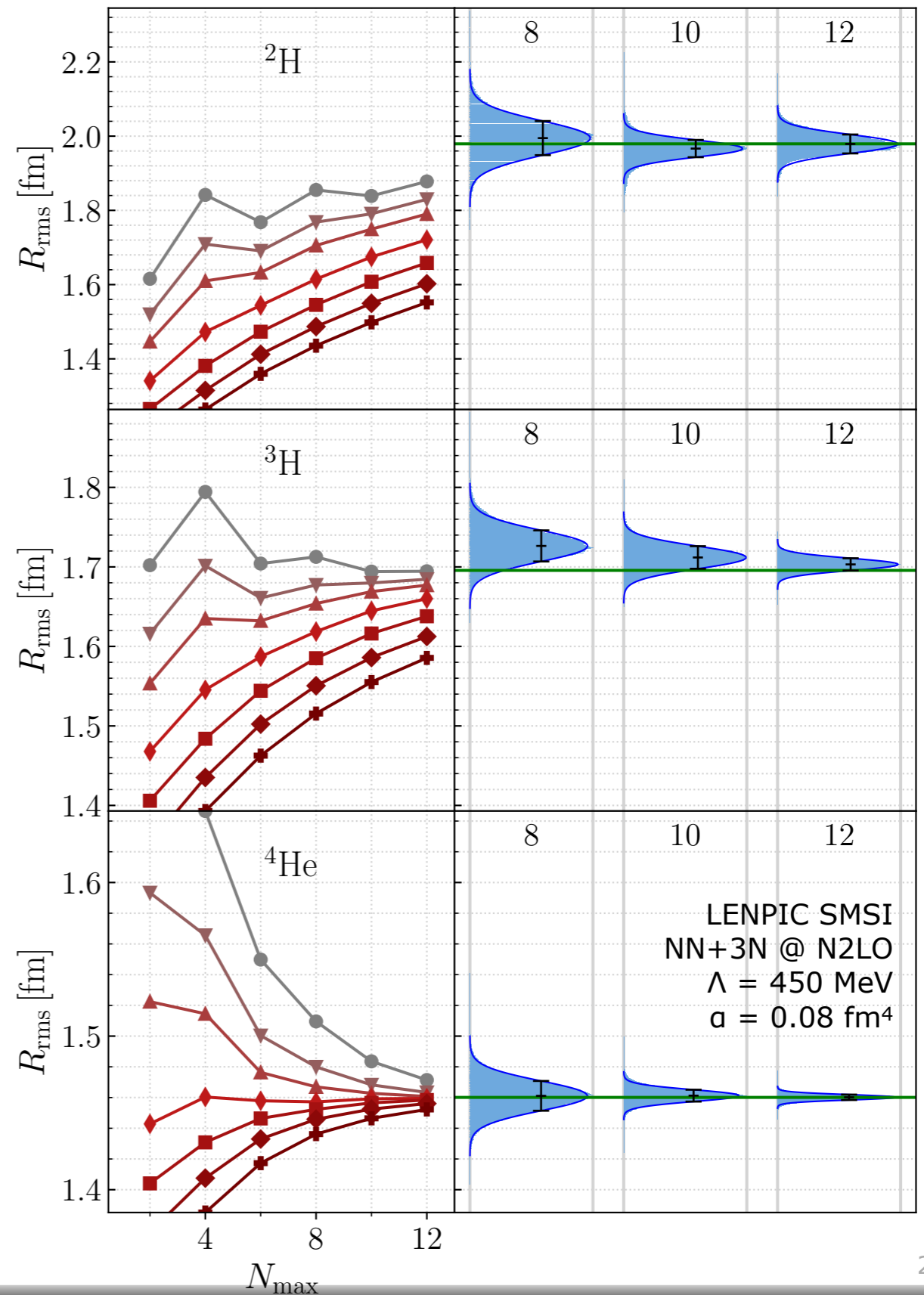
- full access to ground-state and excitation energies based on one set of energy-ANNs
- robust and consistent predictions for p-shell spectra
- no need for separate excited state to excitation energy ANNs





# Root-Mean-Square Radii

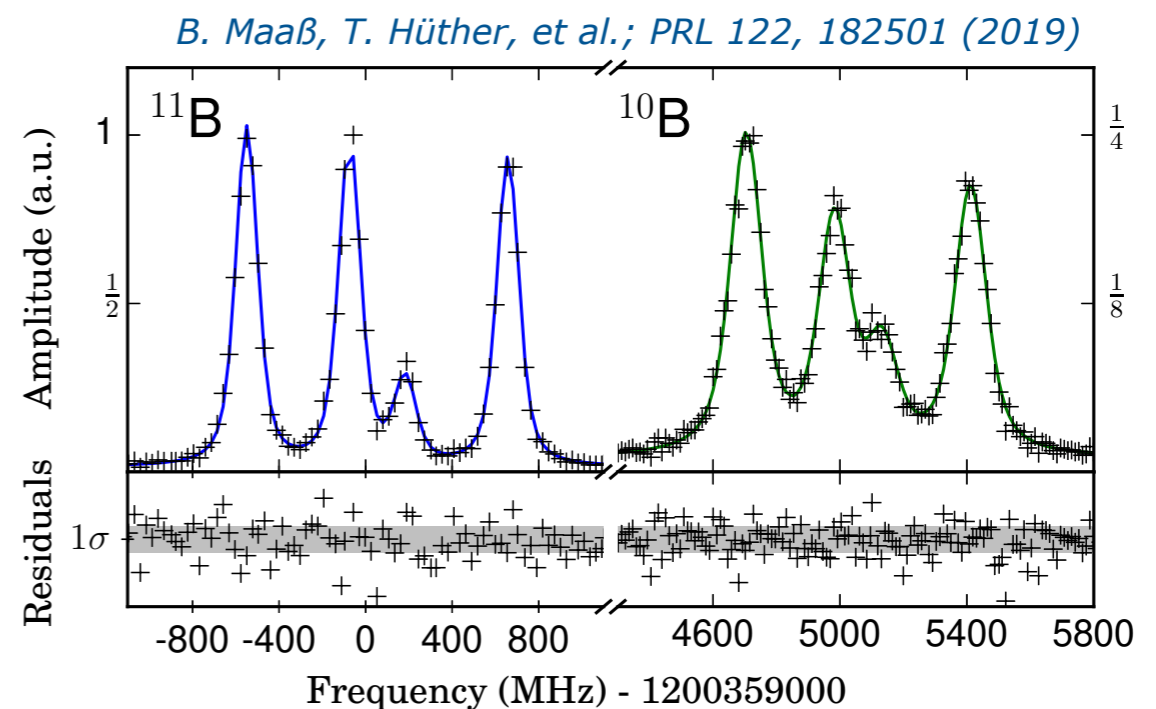
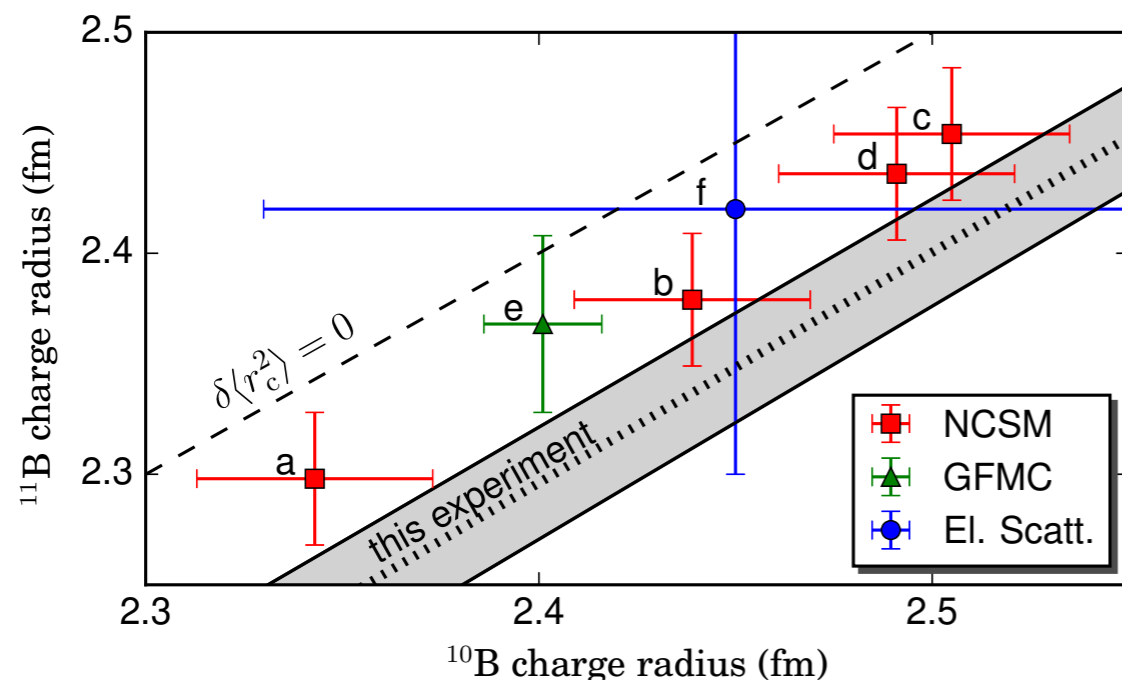
- training yields **standard set of 1000 radius-ANNs** that is used for all evaluations of radii
- much more difficult and varied convergence patterns
- still robust and consistent predictions that almost always agree with exact result within  $1\sigma$



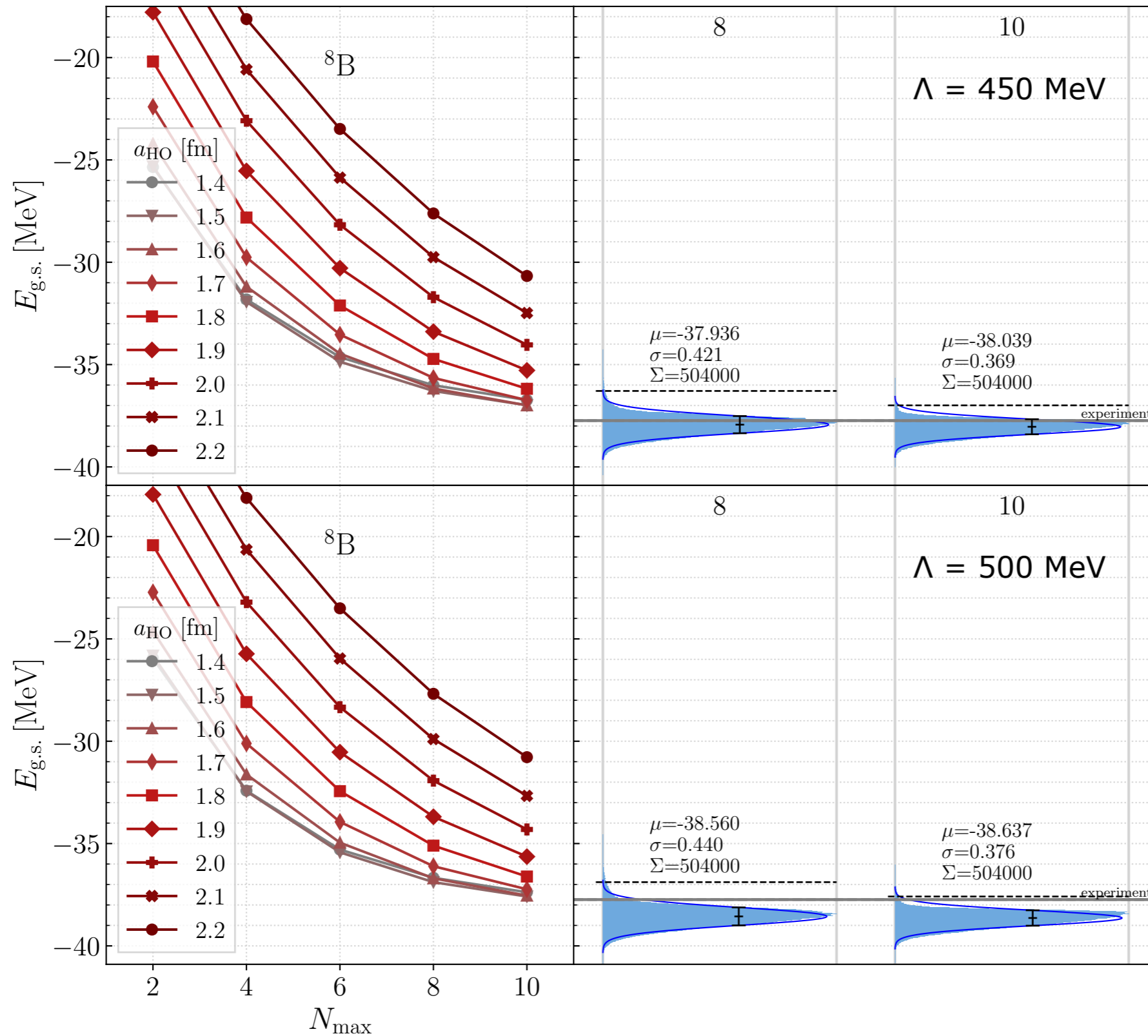
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- nice example of mid-p-shell isotopic chain with interesting spectroscopy
- proton-dripline nucleus  $^8\text{B}$  is one of few **proton-halo** candidates
- **precision measurements** of proton-radius differences by atomic laser spectroscopy via isotope shift (Nörtershäuser et al.)
  - precision measurement of  $^{11}\text{B}$ - $^{10}\text{B}$  radius difference exists; improved measurement at COALA beamline at TUDa later this year
  - planned experiment on  $^8\text{B}$ - $^{10,11}\text{B}$  radius difference at ANL



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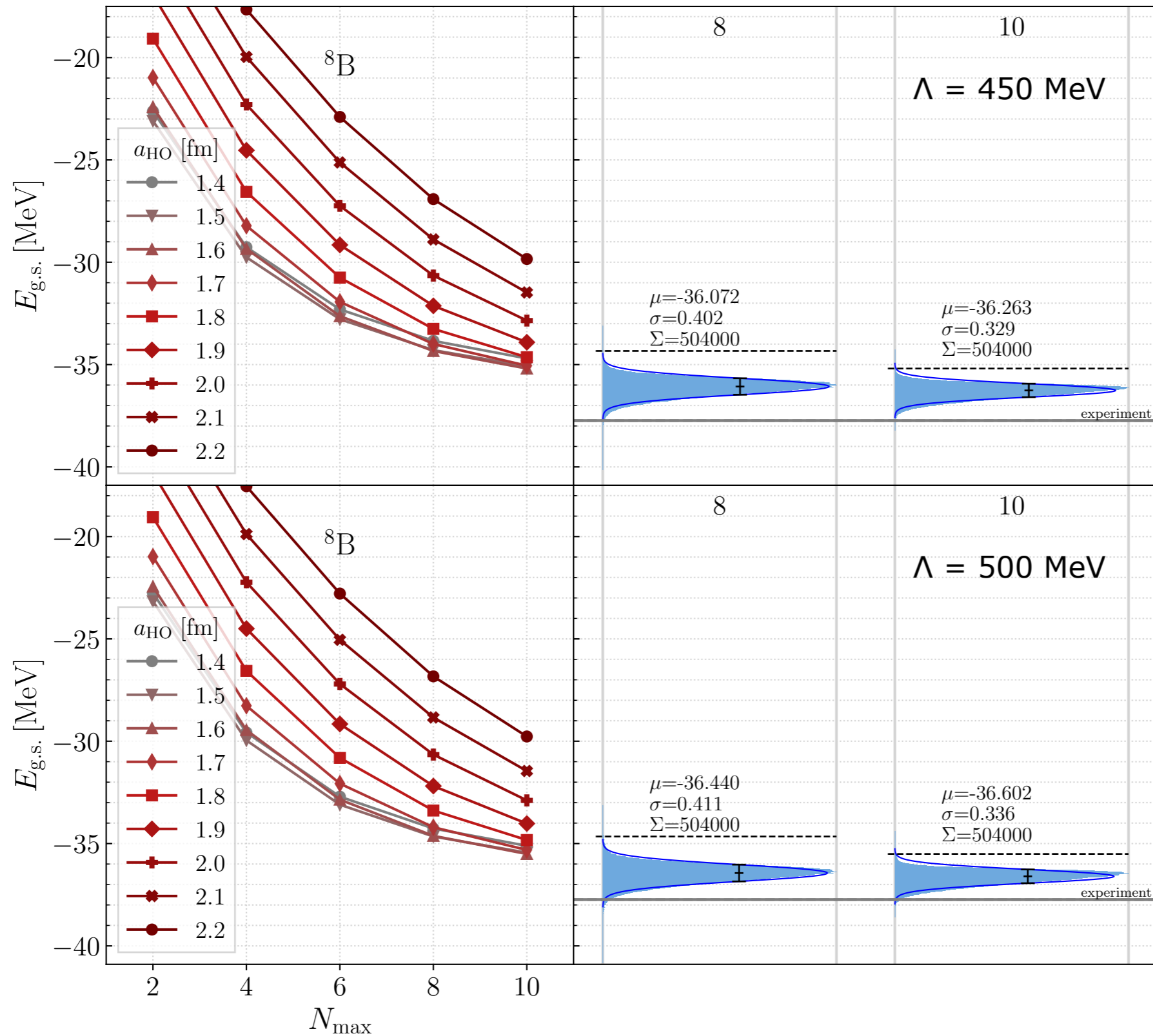
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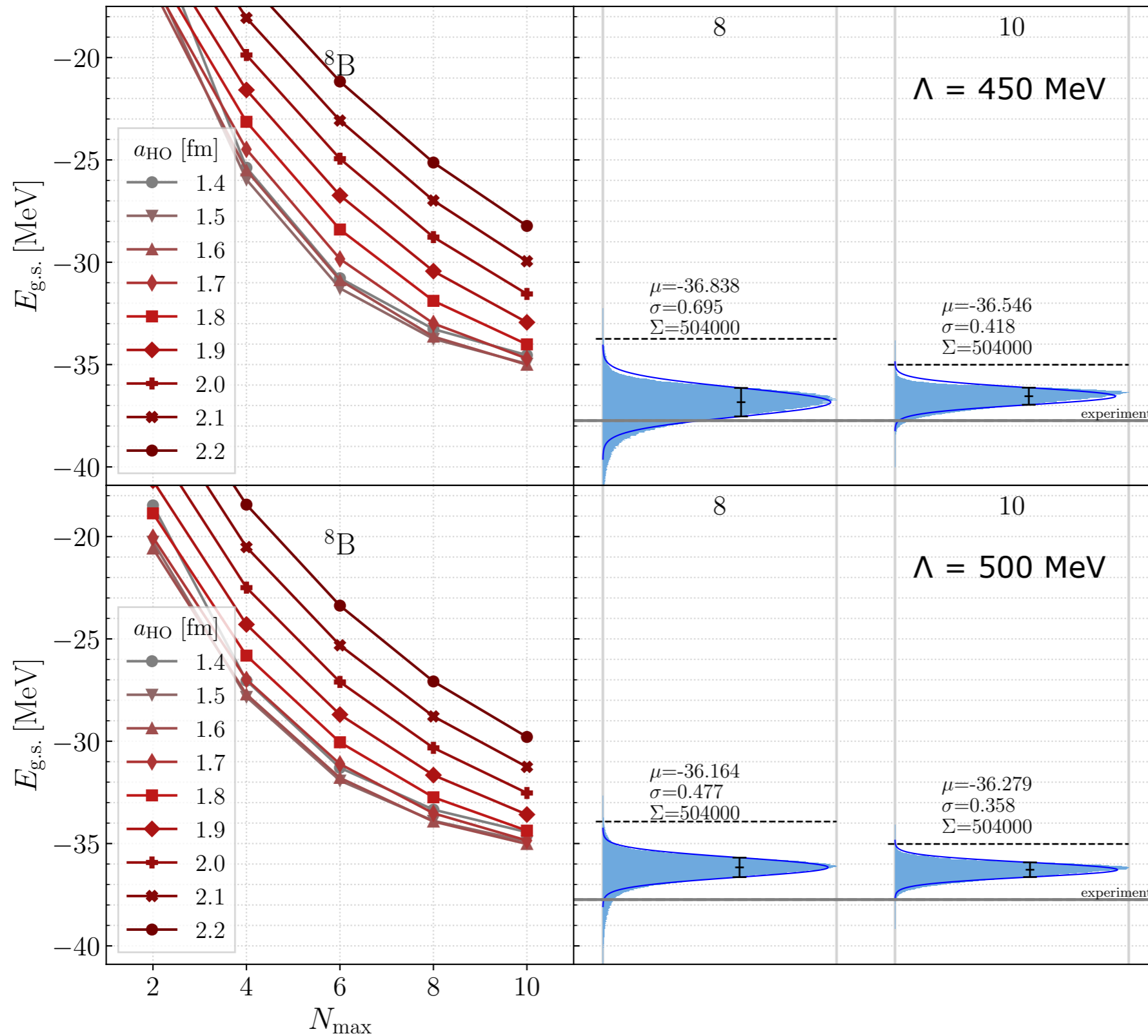
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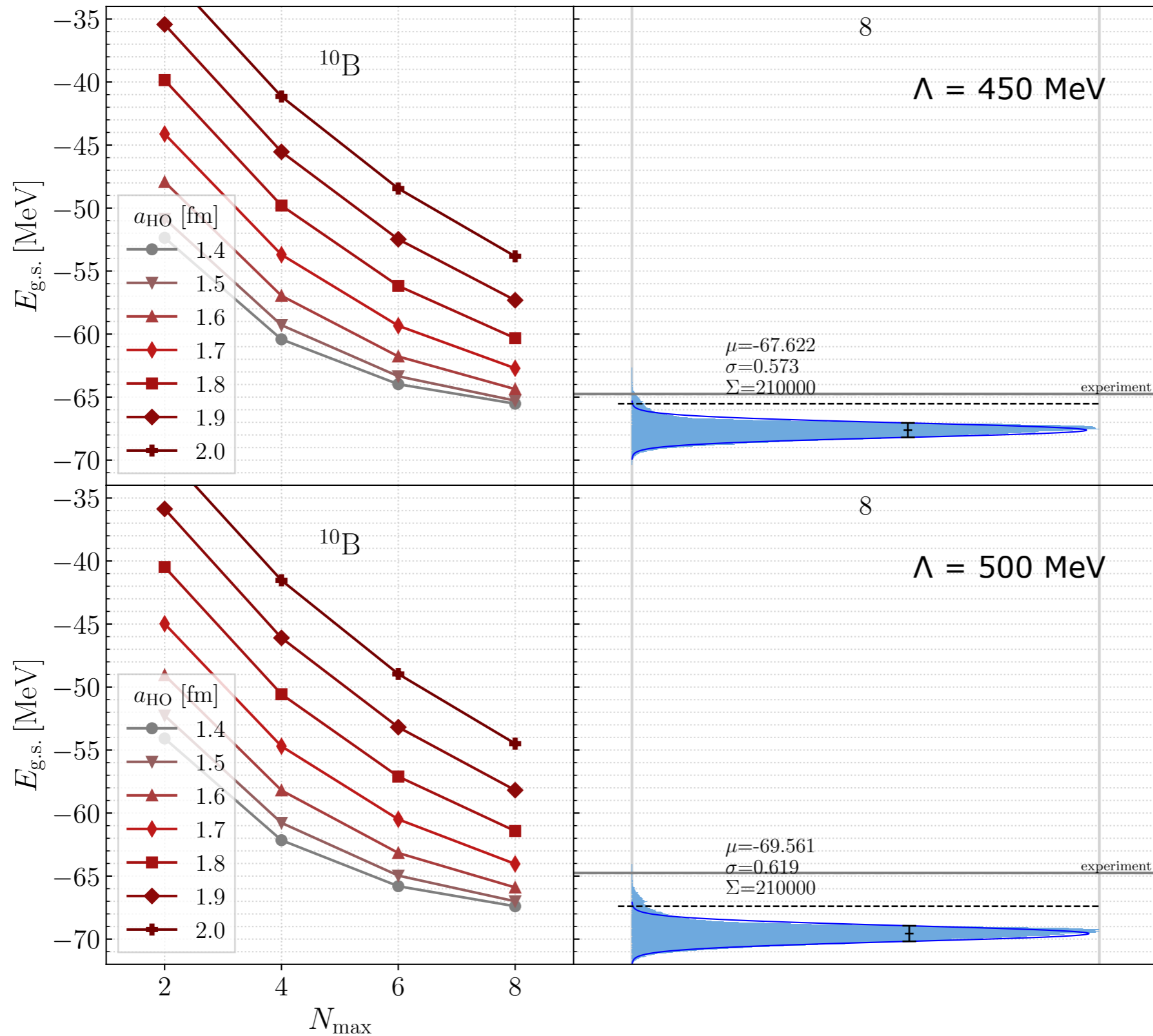
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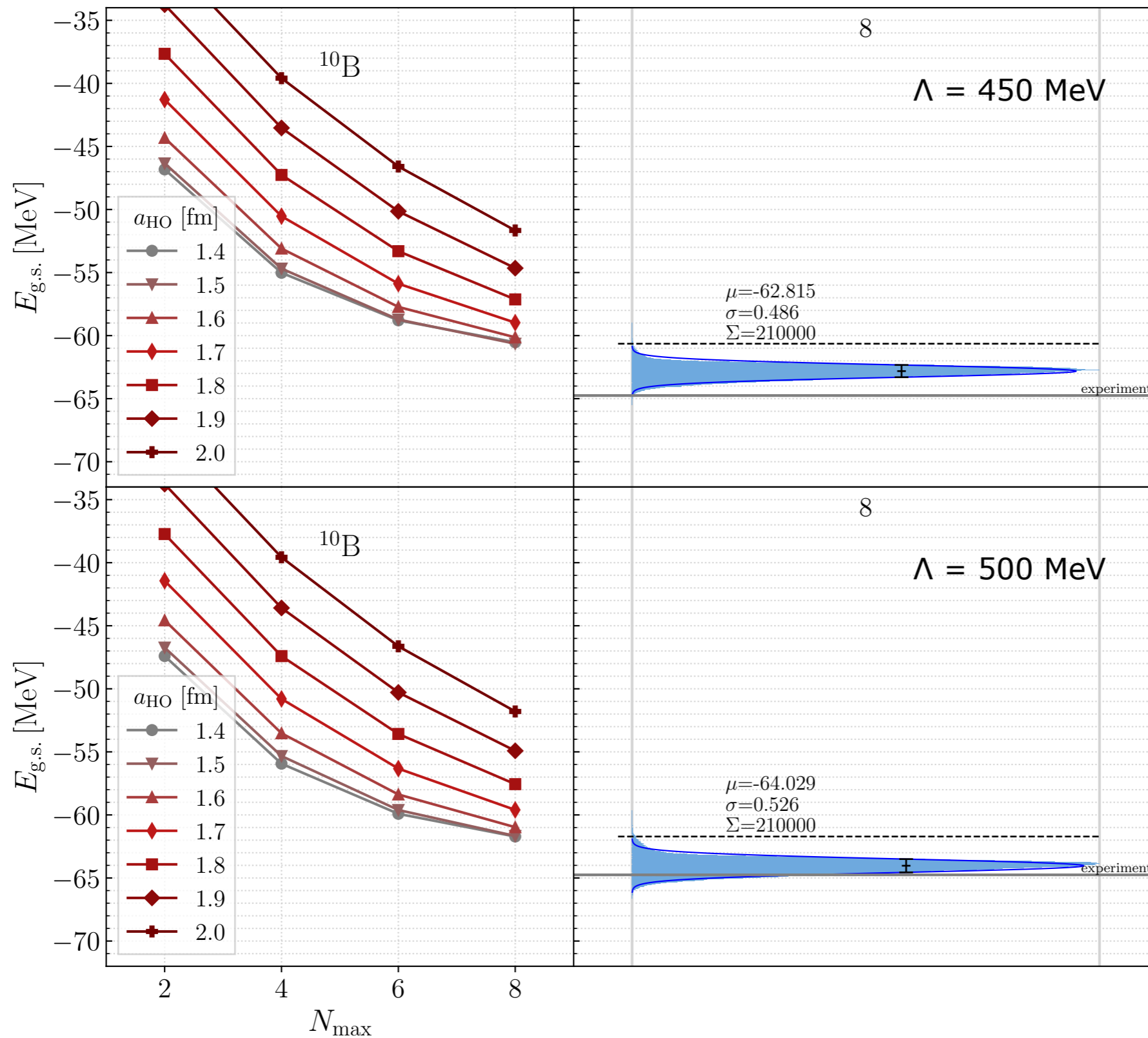
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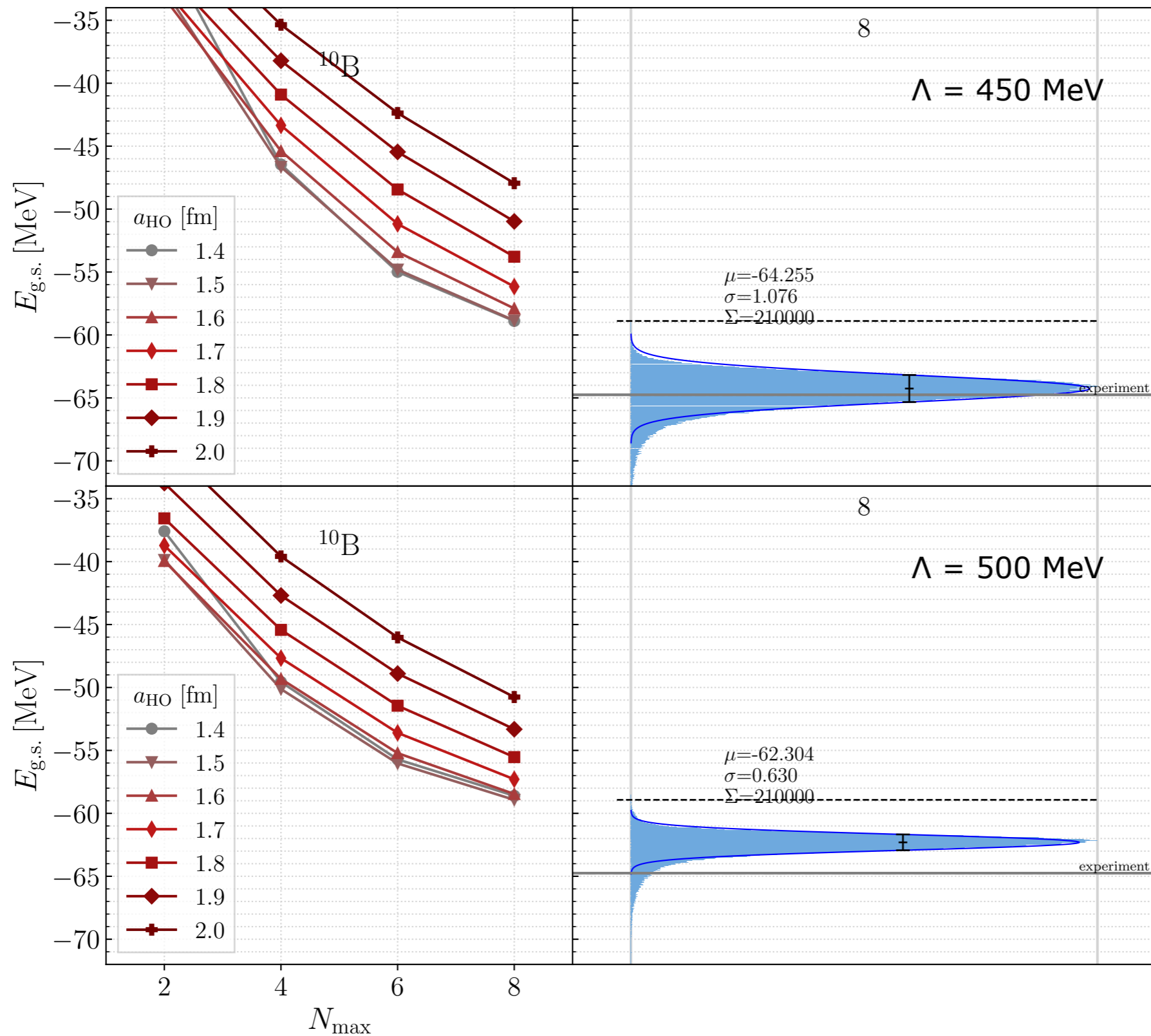
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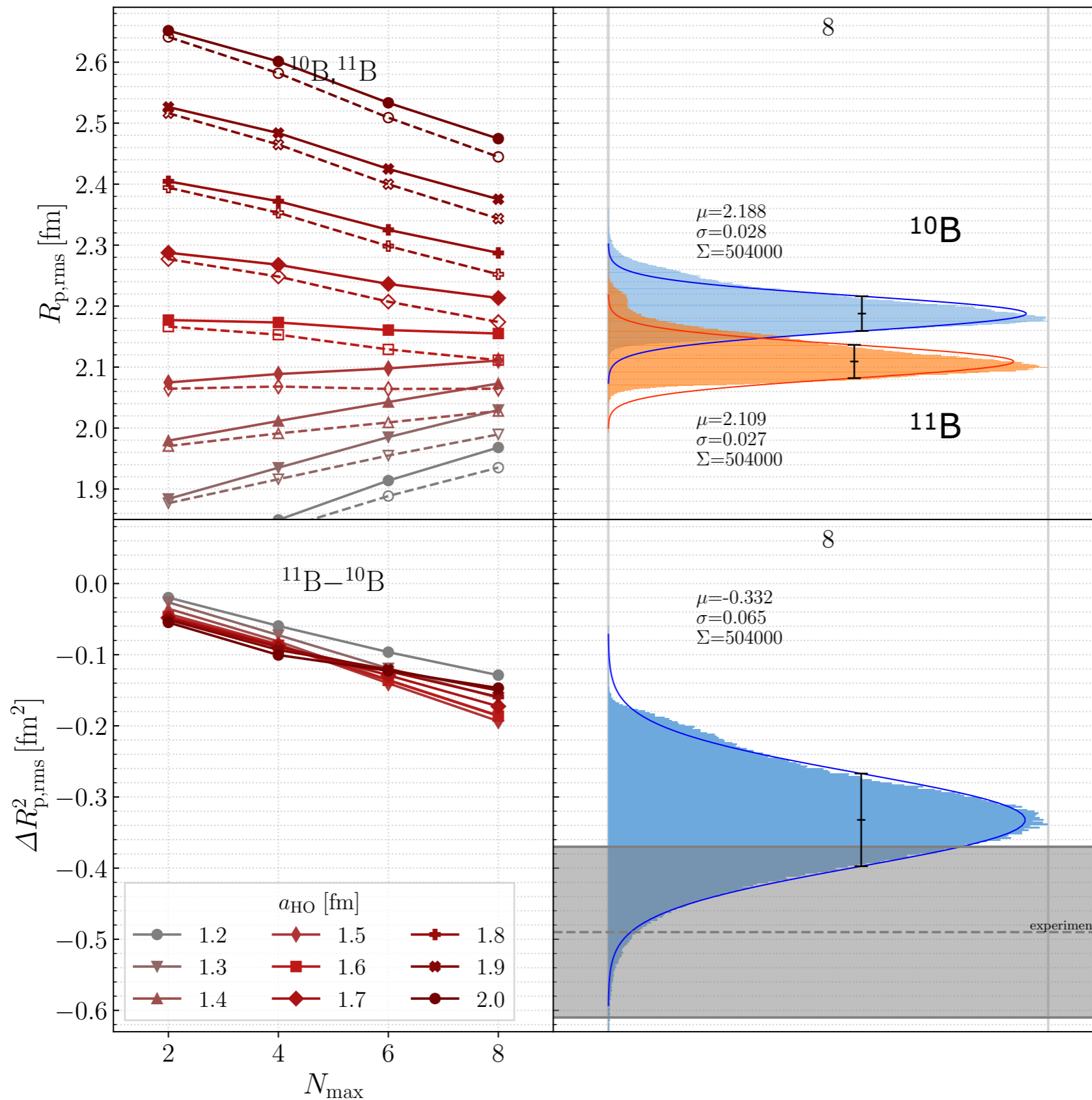
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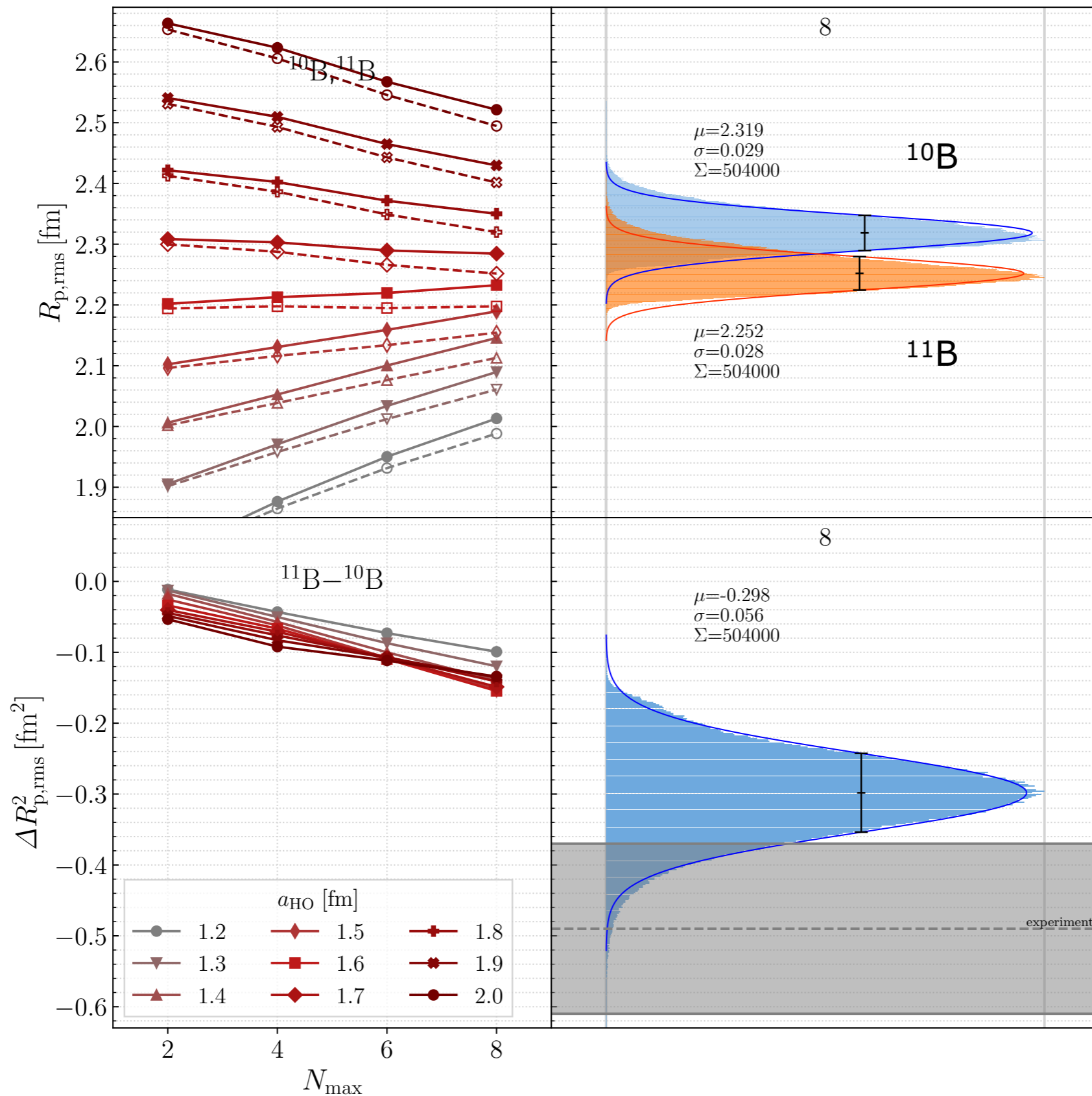
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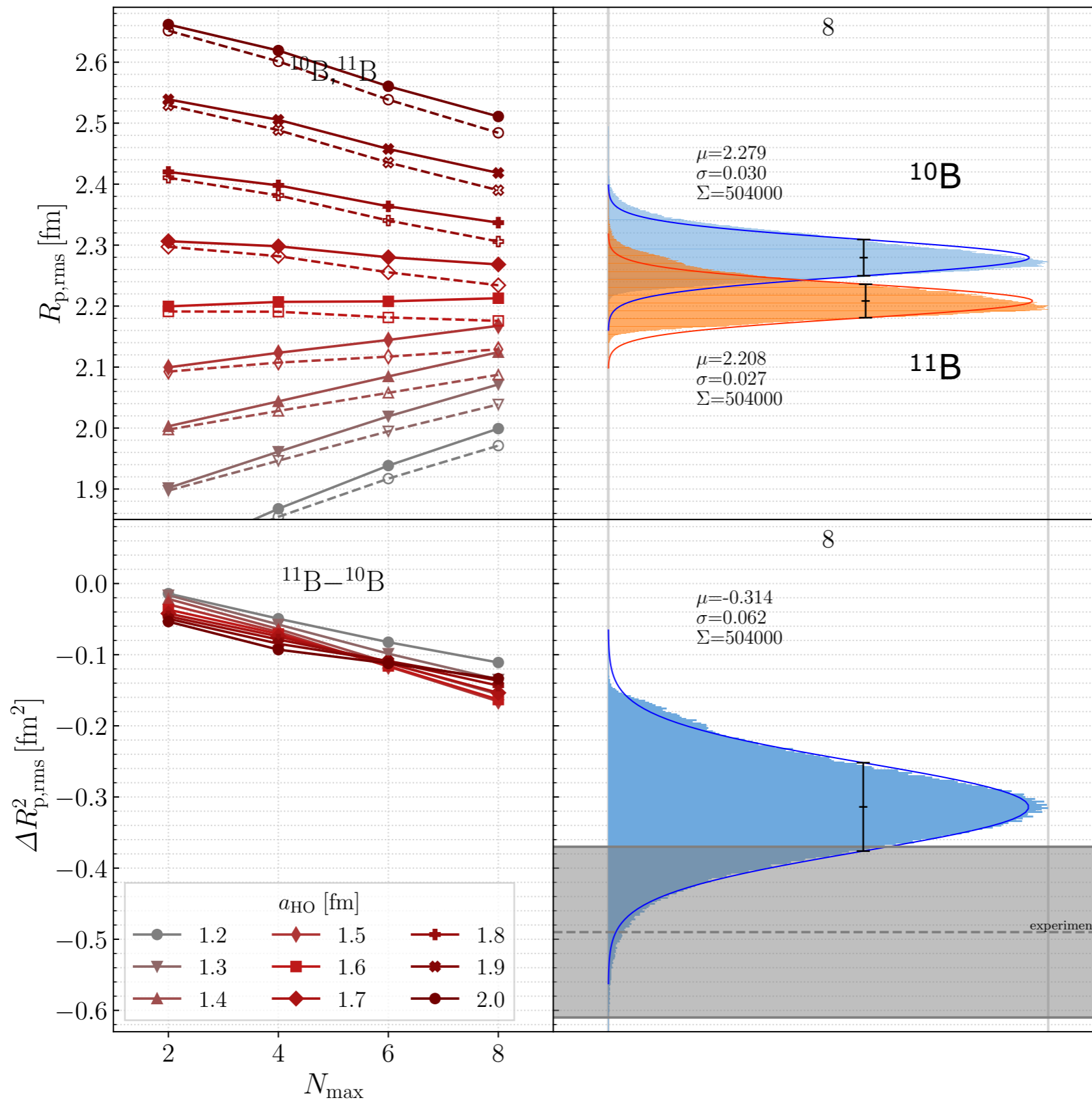
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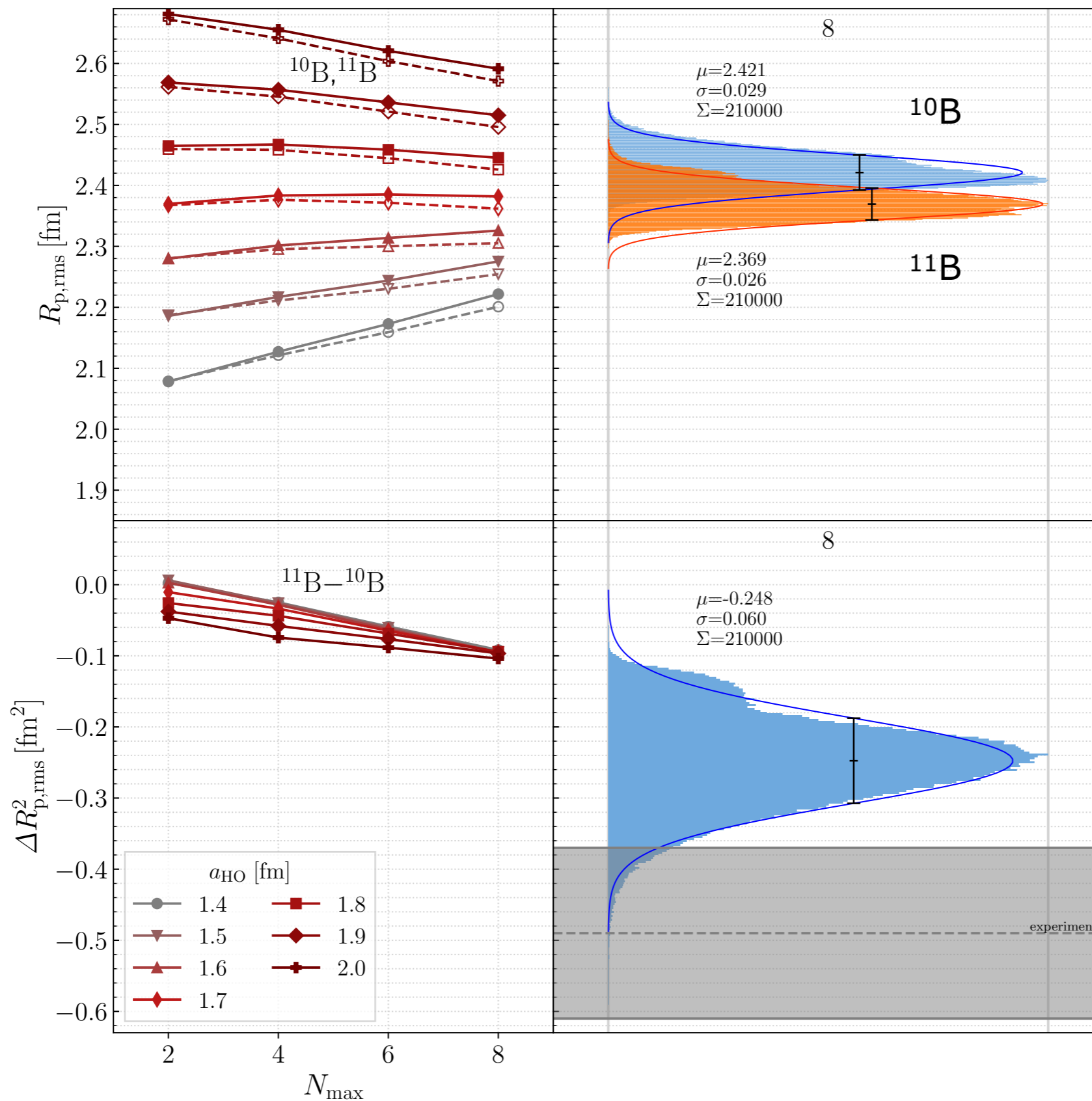
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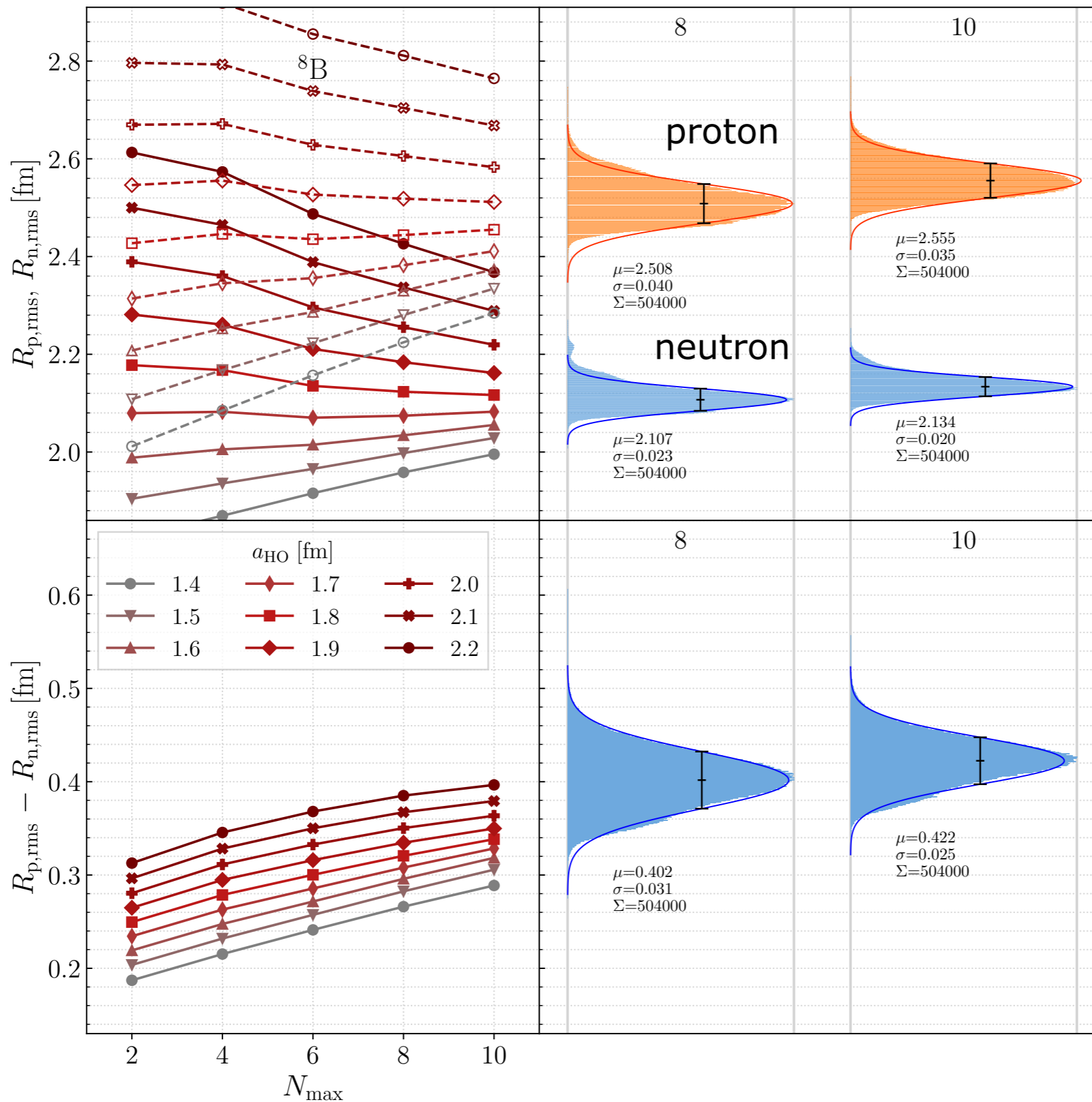
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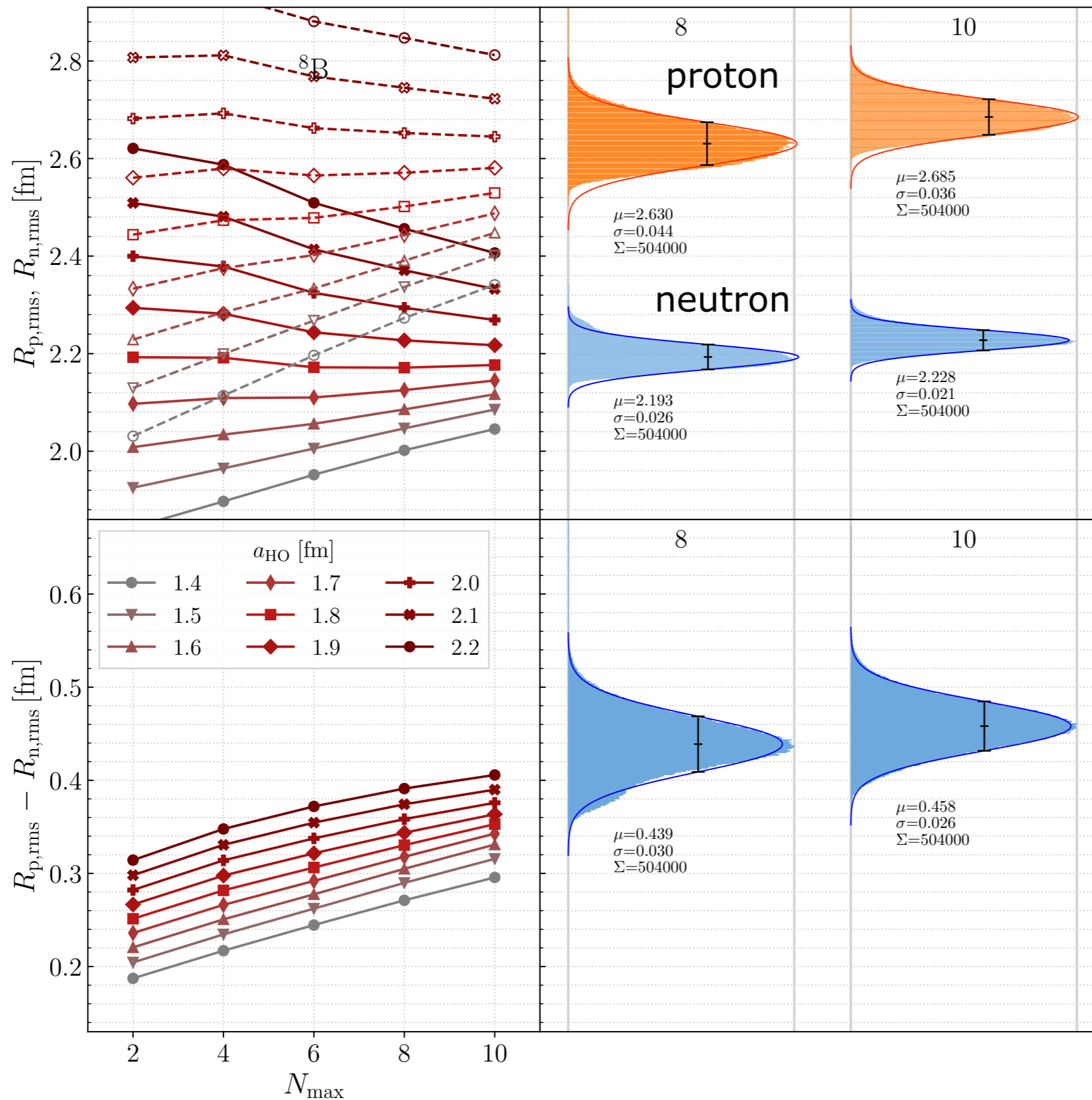
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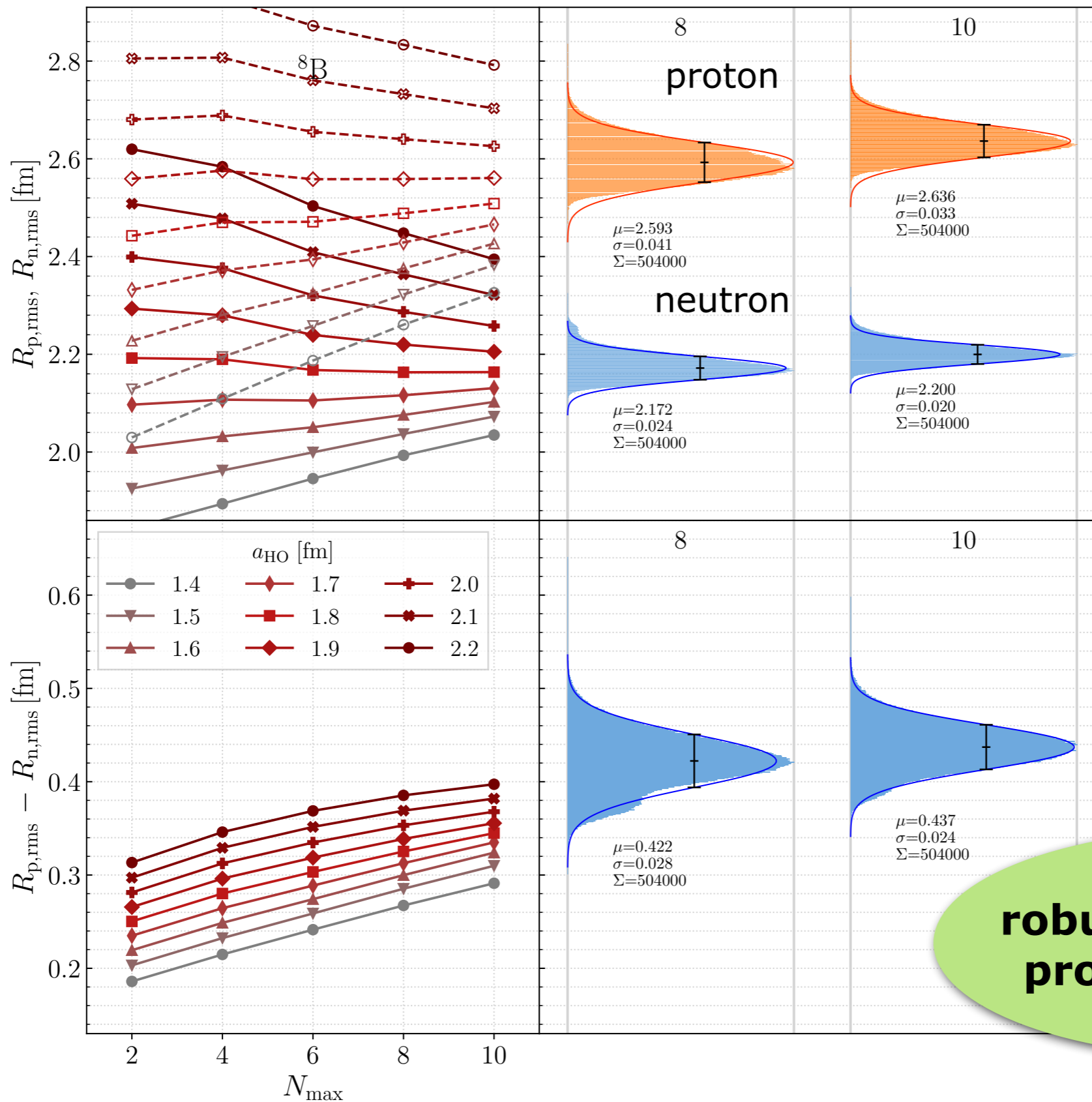
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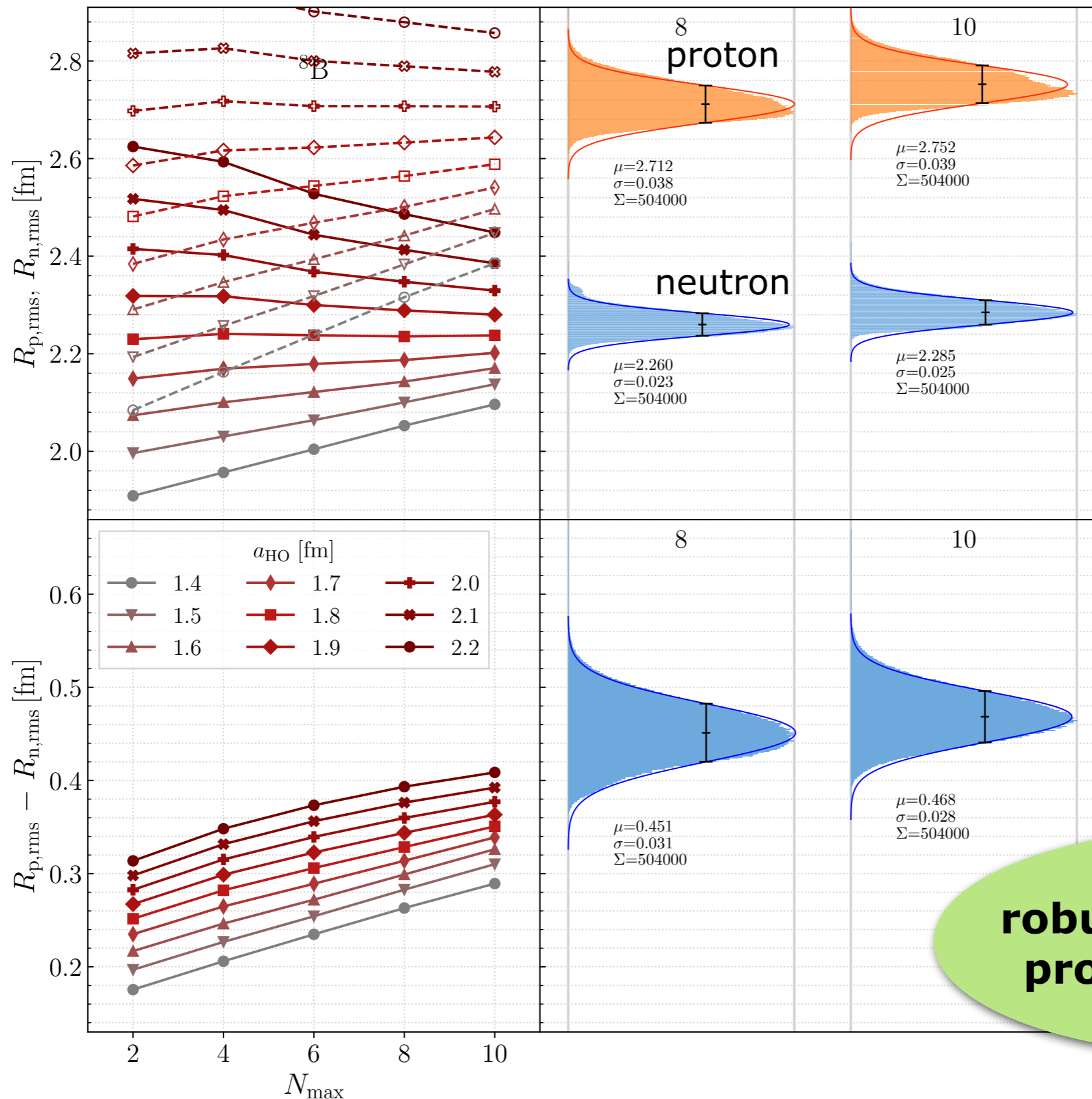
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# Work in Progress

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- extract two-dimensional confidence regions for pairs of observables, e.g.,  $R_{p,rms}(^{10}\text{B})$  vs.  $R_{p,rms}(^{11}\text{B})$  or  $R_{p,rms}(^8\text{B})$  vs.  $R_{n,rms}(^8\text{B})$
- include chiral order-by-order uncertainty via Bayesian scheme built on ANN distributions
- extend to other observables and other halo systems

## Artificial Neural Networks

- use synthetic nuclei in training process
- use flow-parameter variation as input dimension for ANN
- extension to electromagnetic observables, particularly E2 moments and transition strengths
- develop transformer networks to represent and exploit correlations among observables