

# Vortex-nucleus interaction in the inner crust of neutron star

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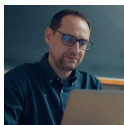


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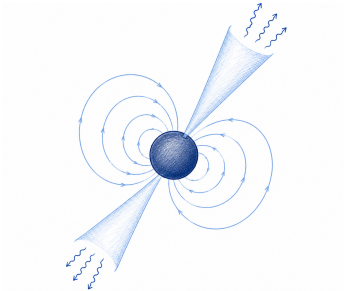
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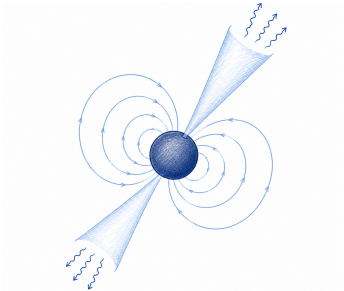
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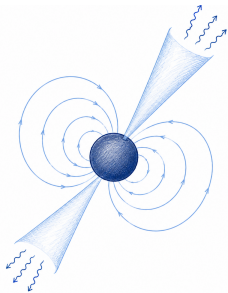


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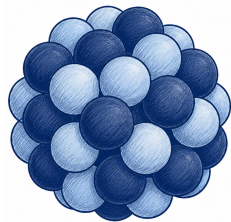


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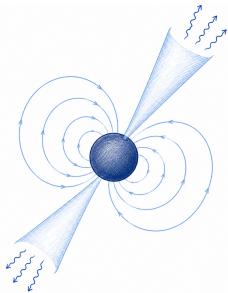
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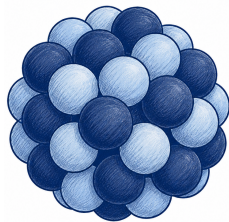


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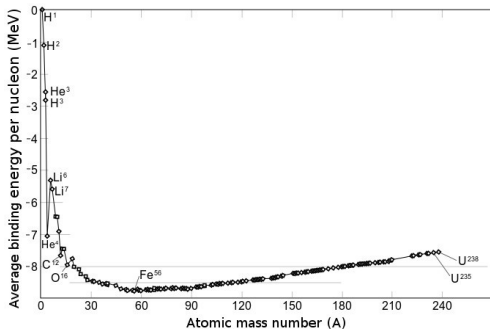


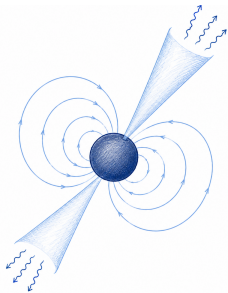
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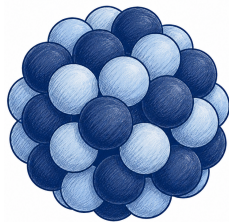


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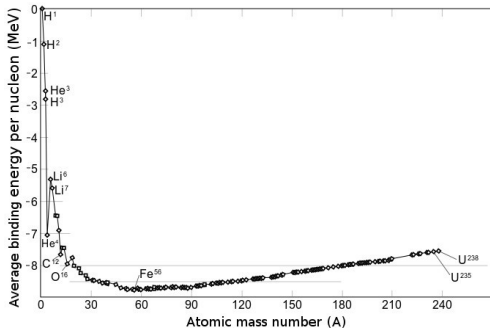
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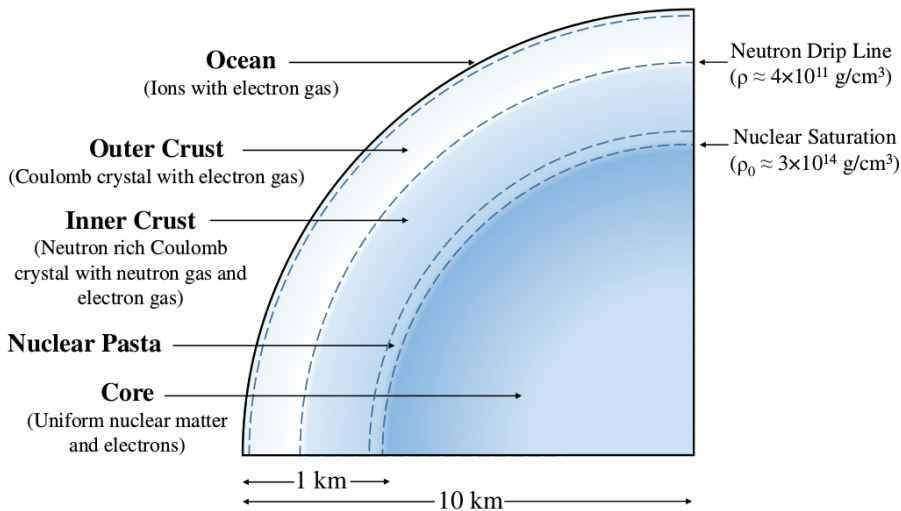
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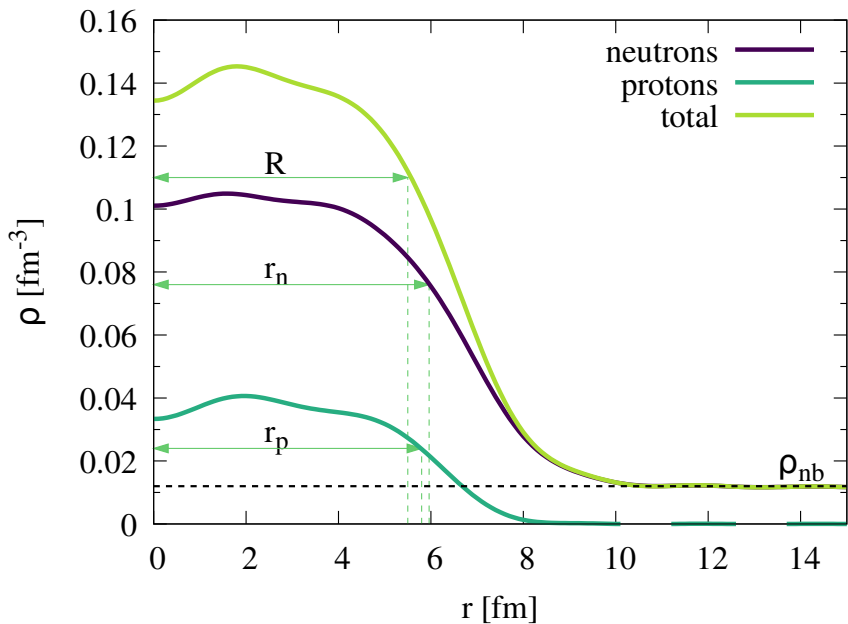
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Superfluidity



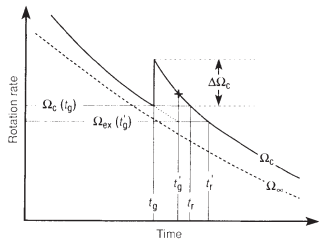


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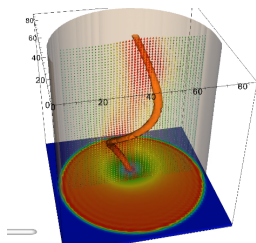
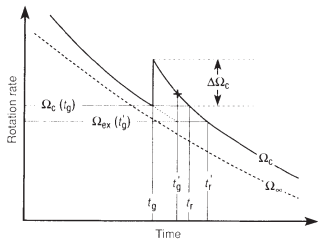
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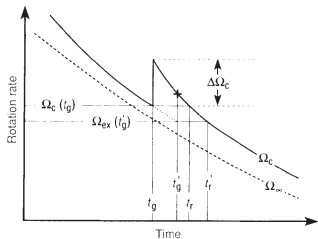
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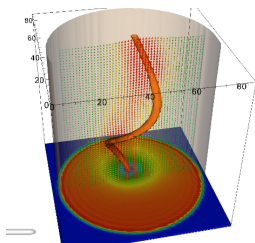
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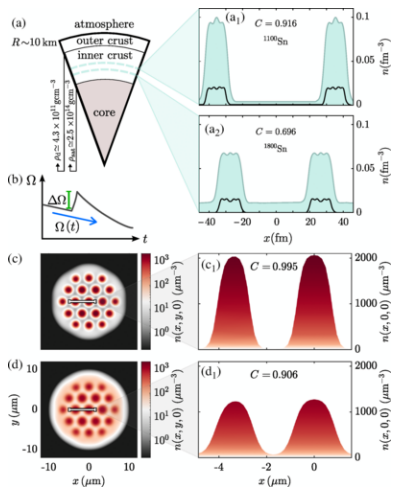
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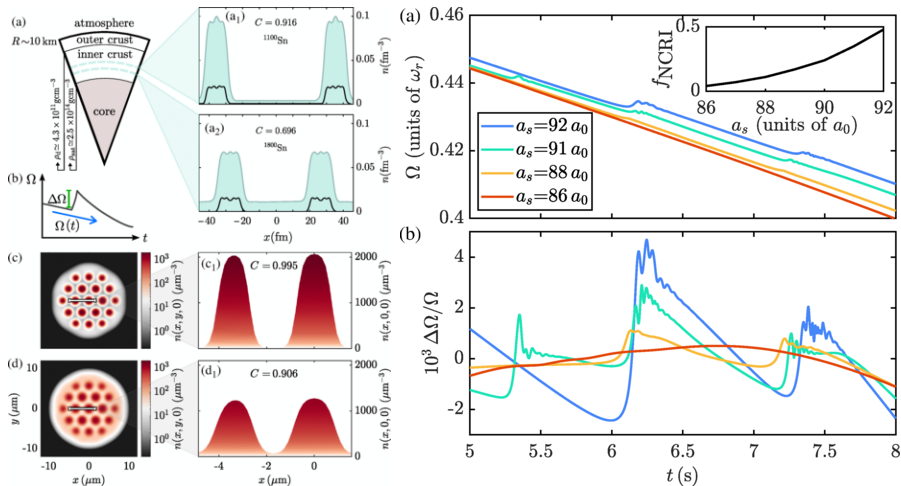
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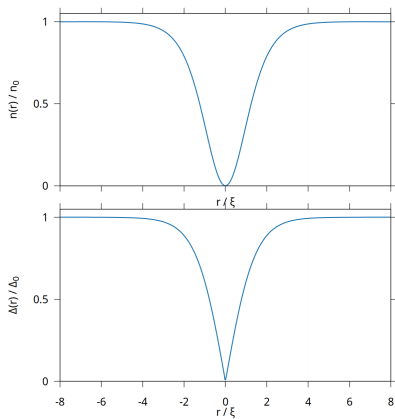
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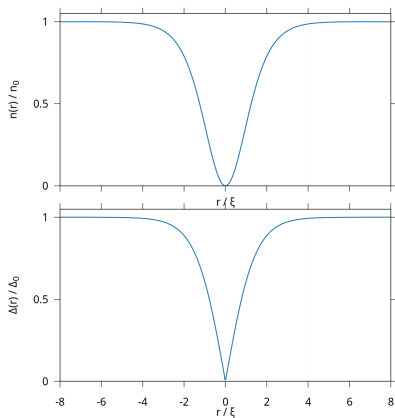
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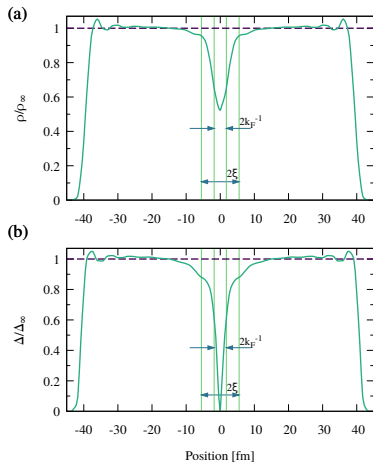
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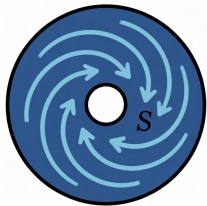
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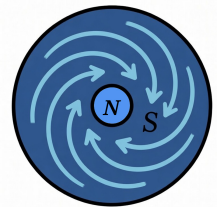
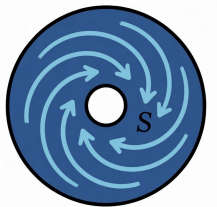


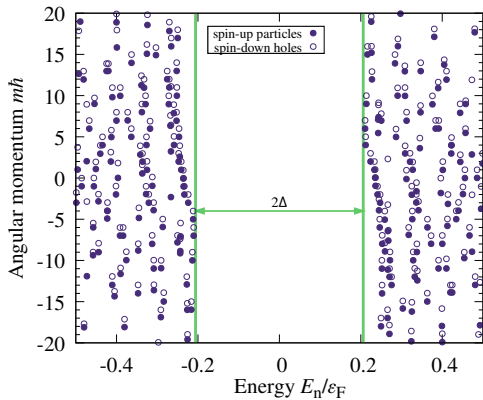
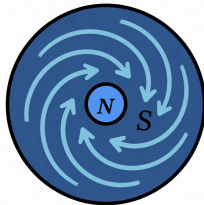
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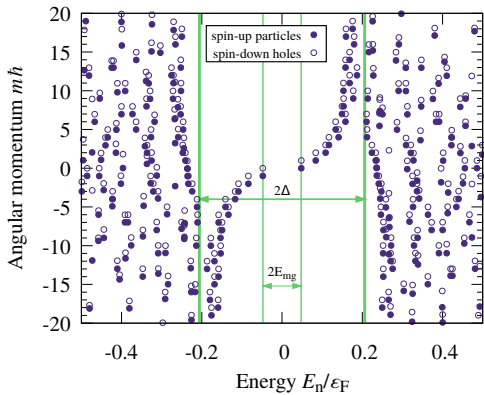
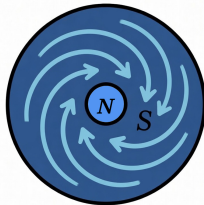
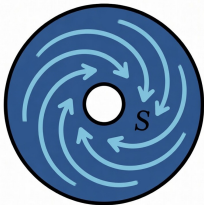
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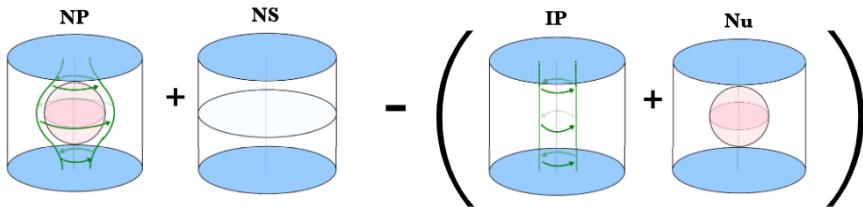


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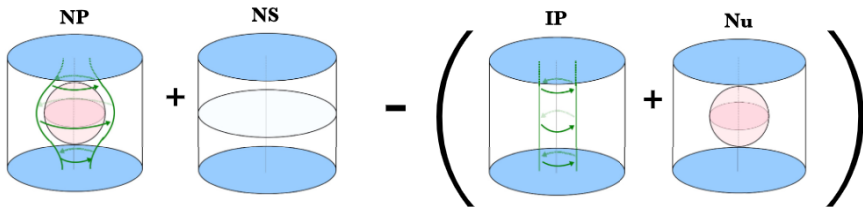
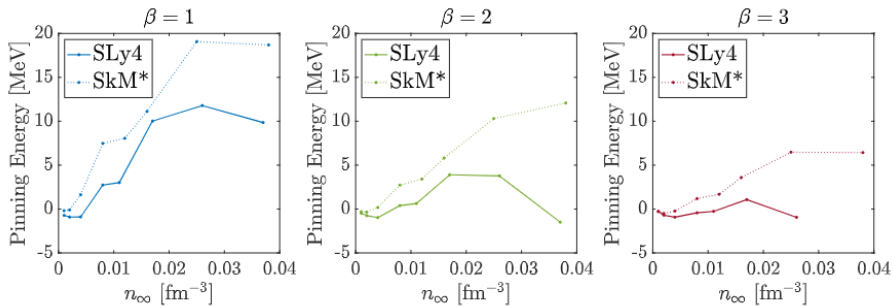


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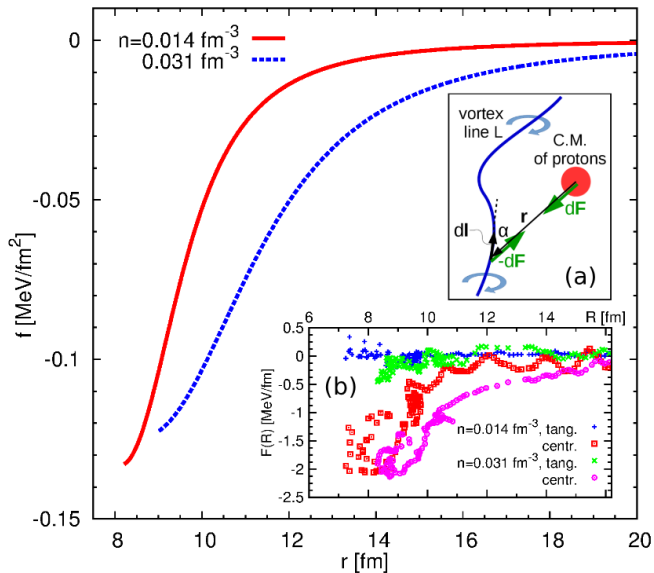
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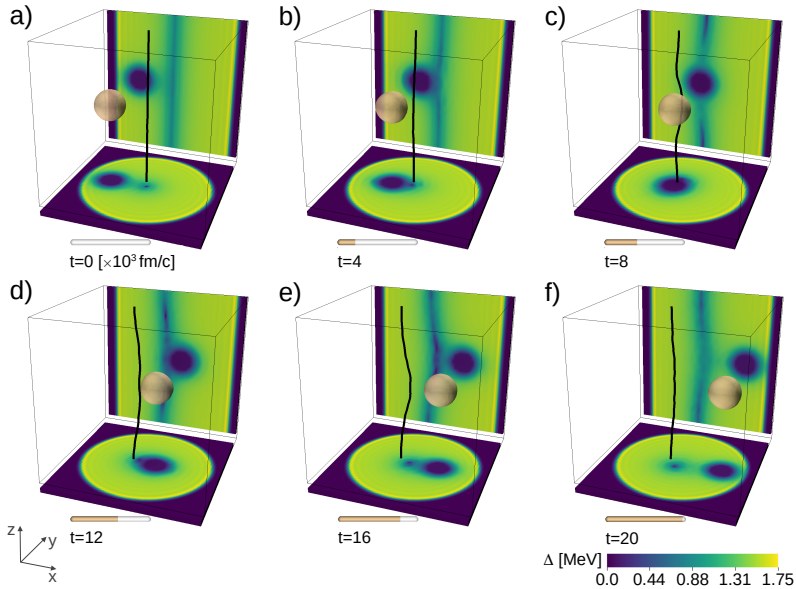
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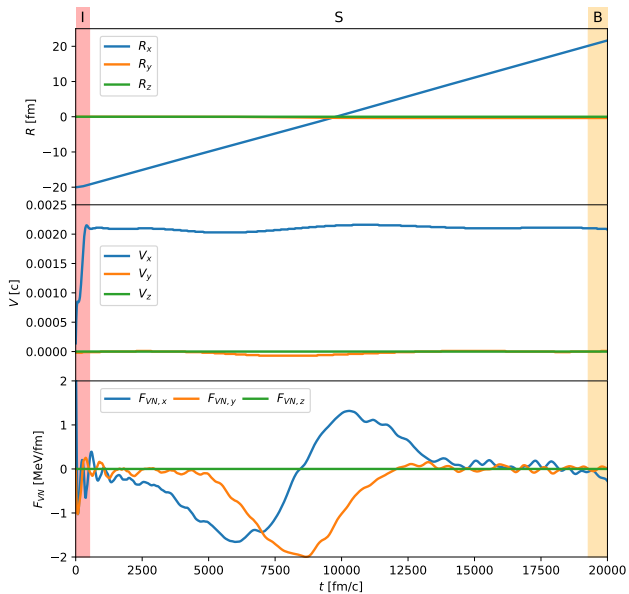


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$$\mathbf{F}_{\text{VN}}(t) = M\ddot{\mathbf{R}}_p(t) - \mathbf{F}_{\text{ext}}(t)$$

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## W-SLDA Toolkit

Self-consistent solver  
of mathematical problems  
which have structure  
formally equivalent to  
Bogoliubov-de Gennes equations.

static problems: st-wslida

$$\begin{pmatrix} h_a(\mathbf{r}) - \mu_a & \Delta(\mathbf{r}) \\ \Delta^*(\mathbf{r}) & -h_b^*(\mathbf{r}) + \mu_b \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_n(\mathbf{r}) \\ v_n(\mathbf{r}) \end{pmatrix} = E_n \begin{pmatrix} u_n(\mathbf{r}) \\ v_n(\mathbf{r}) \end{pmatrix}$$

time-dependent problems: td-wslida

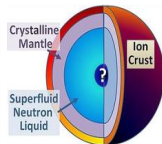
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Extension to nuclear matter  
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Integration with VisIt:  
visualization, animation and  
analysis tool

Unified solvers for static and  
time-dependent problems



The W-SLDA Toolkit has been expanded to encompass nuclear systems, now available as the W-BSk Toolkit.

Dimensionalities of  
problems: 3D, 2D and 1D

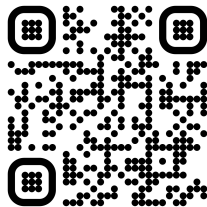
ALL FUNCTIONALITIES +

### Getting the code

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The W-SLDA & W-BSk Toolkits are free to download. It is published as open source under GNU GPL License. In order to get W-SLDA or W-BSk Toolkit click "Read more" and follow instructions.

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Thank you!

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# Brussels-Montreal (BSk) functional

## Experimental data

- atomic masses
- nuclear charge radii
- symmetry energy
- incompressibility

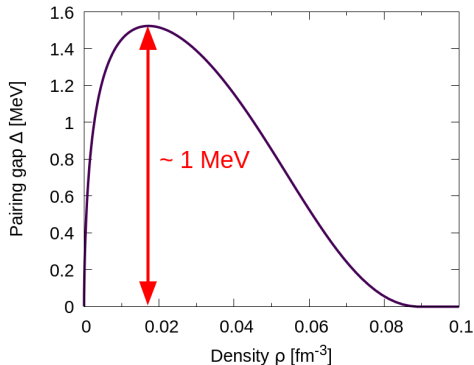
## N-body calculations

- EoS of pure neutron matter
- $^1S_0$  pairing gaps in nuclear matter
- effective masses in nuclear matter

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$$\varepsilon(\rho_q, \vec{\nabla}\rho_q, \nu_q, \tau_q, \mathbf{j}_q)$$

