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# GRASP: Recent Code Developments and Applications

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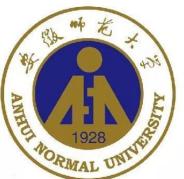
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# Outline

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GRASPG -- An extension to Grasp2018

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GRASPG -- New features

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GRASPG -- Some recent applications

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GRASPG -- Developments on the way



- Performance Tests and Improvements on the rmcdhf and rci Programs of GRASP  
Atoms 11, 12 (2023)
- Reducing the computational load - atomic multiconfiguration calculations based on configuration state function generators  
Comp. Phys. Comm. 283, 108562 (2023)
- Graspg --An extension to Grasp2018 based on configuration state function generators.  
Comp. Phys. Comm. 312, 109604 (2025)

GRASPG is available on GitHub: <https://github.com/compas>.

srcg

directory with the subdirectories appl, containing the source code for the application programs, lib, containing the source code for the libraries and tool, containing the source code for the tools.

graspgtest

directory containing scripts for all the test runs and examples to be described in later sections of this article

## ➤ Multiconfiguration methods

$$\Psi(\Gamma J) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{CSF}} c_i \Phi(\gamma_i J)$$

Atomic State Function  
(ASF)

Configuration State Function  
(CSF)

## ➤ Computation of Hamiltonian matrix elements

$$H_{ij} = \langle \Phi(\gamma_i J) | H | \Phi(\gamma_j J) \rangle \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Radial integrals and effective interaction strengths} \\ \text{Spin-angular integration (dominate the CPU time)} \end{array} \right.$$

## ➤ Introduction of Configuration State Function Generator (CSFG)

Spin-angular integration is independent of the  
principal quantum numbers

- **Labeling space:** excitations from reference configurations to a **labeling-ordered** orbital set of highly occupied orbitals.

MR:  $(2s^2 2p^6) 3s^2, 3p^2, 3s 3d, 3d^2$        $\{1s, 2s, 2p-, 2p, 3s, 3p-, 3p, 3d-, 3d\}$

- **Correlation space:** excitations from reference configurations to a **symmetry-ordered** orbital set of correlation orbitals.

$\underbrace{4s, 5s}_{\kappa=-1}, \underbrace{4p-, 5p-}_{\kappa=+1}, \underbrace{4p, 5p}_{\kappa=-2}, \underbrace{4d-, 5d-}_{\kappa=+2}, \underbrace{4d, 5d}_{\kappa=-3}, \underbrace{4f-, 5f-}_{\kappa=+3}, \underbrace{4f, 5f}_{\kappa=-4}, \underbrace{4g-, 5g-}_{\kappa=+4}, \underbrace{4g, 5g}_{\kappa=-5}$   
 $\{5s, 5p-, 5p, 5d-, 5d, 5f-, 5f, 5g-, 5g\}$

11 988 CSFGs → 28 055 CSFs

$\{9s, 9p-, 9p, 9d-, 9d, 9f-, 9f, 9g-, 9g\}$

11 988 CSFGs → 380 624 CSFs

## 1. Programs to generate CSFs/CSFGs list

- a) **rcsfggenerate\_csfg** – generate a list of CSFs in Graspg format.
- b) **rcsfgsplit\_csfg** – split a list of CSFs in Graspg format into a number of lists, with the CSFGs built from different user defined sets of symmetry ordered orbitals.
- c) **rcsfgblocksplit\_csfg** – split a list of CSFs in Graspg format into a number of lists, one for each  $Jp$ -block.
- d) **rcsfgextend\_csfg** – extend the set of symmetry ordered orbitals for a list of CSFs in Graspg format.
- e) **rcsfgexpand\_csfg** – expand a list of CSFs in Graspg format, to a list of CSFs in ordinary Grasp2018 format.

## ➤ rcsfg.out

- **CSFs:** first come the CSFs in the labelling space, and then the generating CSFs
- **Peel subshells:** first come the orbitals in the labeling ordered set, and then the orbitals in the symmetry-ordered set

## ➤ filename.l

- Keep track of the orbitals that are in the labeling ordered set

Core subshells:

Peel subshells:

1s	2s	2p-	2p	3s	3p-	3p	3d-	3d	4s	5s	6s	7s
4p-	5p-	6p-	7p-	4p	5p	6p	7p	4d-	5d-	6d-	7d-	4d
5d	6d	7d										

CSF(s) :

1s ( 2)	2s ( 1)	2p- ( 1)										
			1/2		1/2							
						0-						

....

3p- ( 1)	3d- ( 2)	3d ( 1)										
1/2		2		5/2								
			5/2		0-							

1s ( 2)	2s ( 1)	7p- ( 1)										
			1/2		1/2							
						0-						

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2s ( 1)	2p- ( 1)	7d- ( 2)										
1/2		1/2		0								
			0		0-							

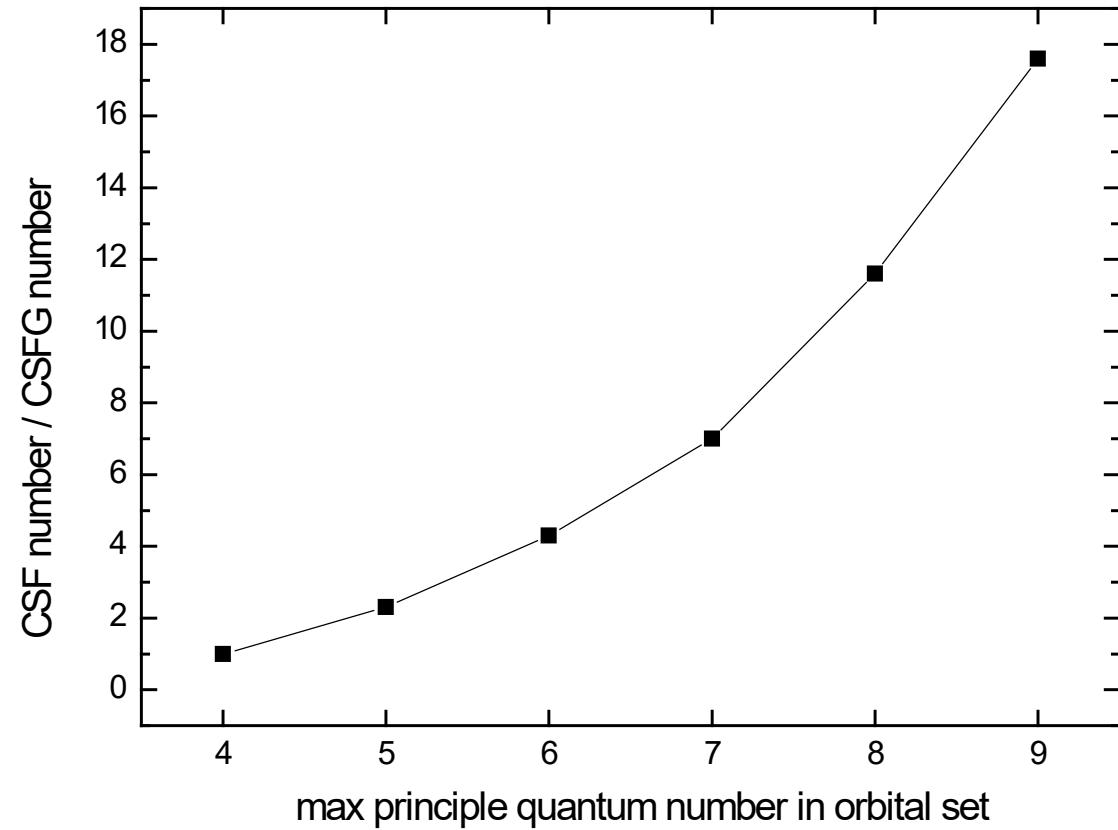
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1s	2s	2p-	2p	3s	3p-	3p	3d-	3d
		9			= nonsym			

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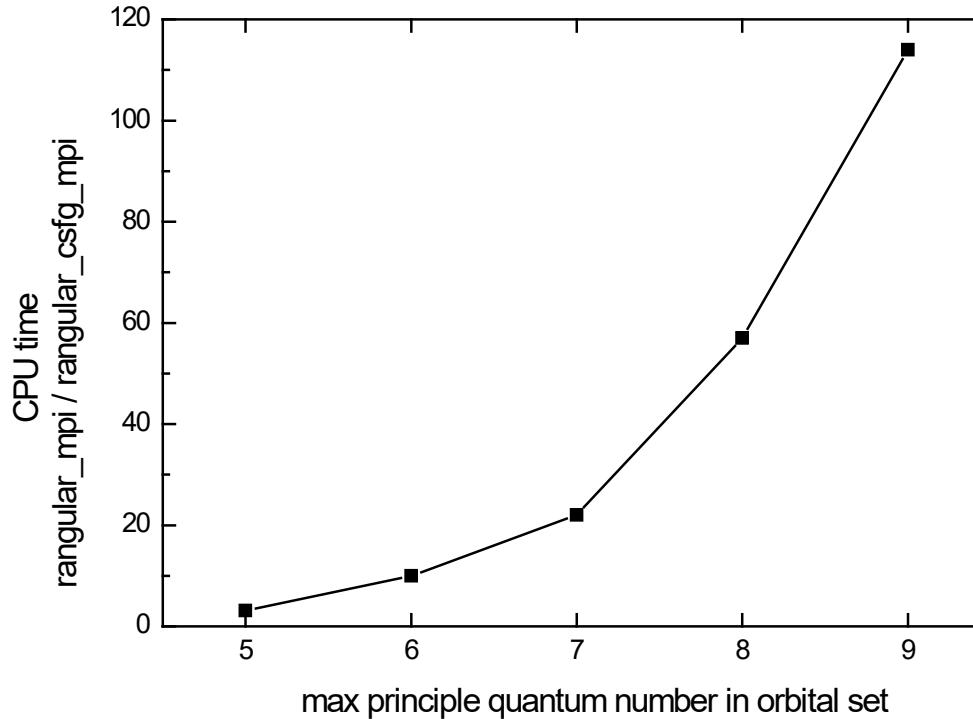
Block averaged labeling and generating CSFs,  $M'$ , block averaged CSFs in the expanded list,  $M$ , and the reduction ratio  $R = M/M'$  as functions of the increasing orbital set for the VV and CV MCDHF calculations reported in section 9. Orbitals given in non-relativistic notation.

orbital set	$M'$	$M$	$R$	$R^2$
{5s,5p,5d,5f,5g}	2 431	5 606	2.3	5.3
{6s,6p,6d,6f,6g,6h}	3 322	14 355	4.3	18.7
{7s,7p,7d,7f,7g,7h,7i}	4 203	29 323	7.0	48.7
{8s,8p,8d,8f,8g,8h,8i}	4 313	49 915	11.6	133.9
{9s,9p,9d,9f,9g,9h,9i}	4 313	76 130	17.6	311.5

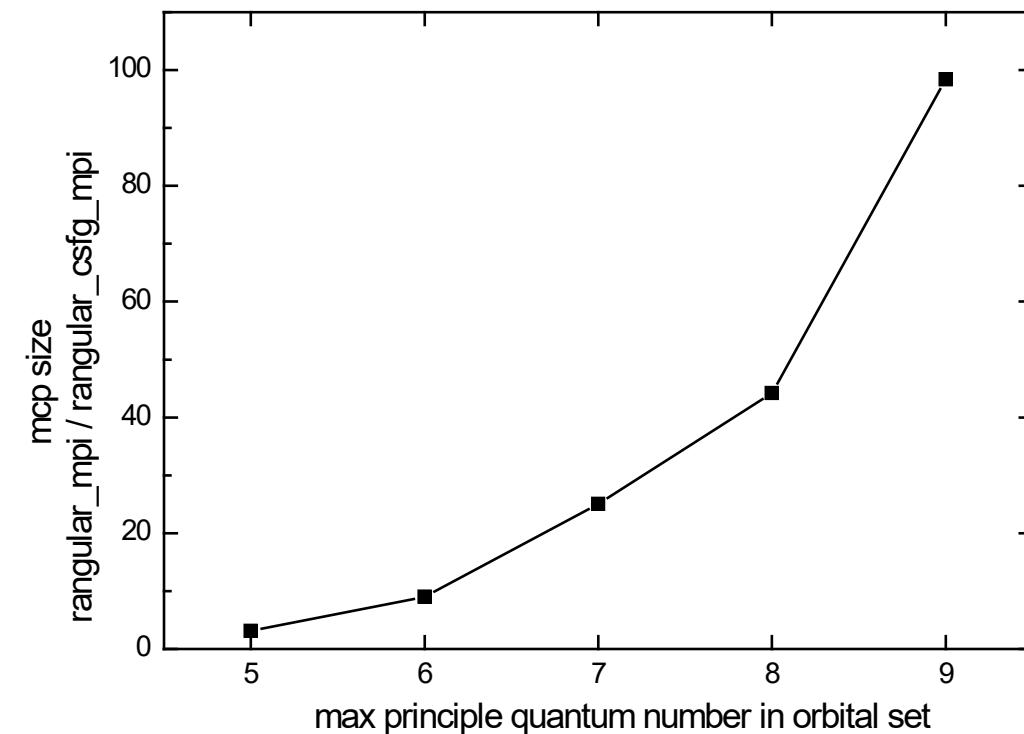


## 2. Programs to perform spin-angular integration: `rangular_csfg_mpi`

Reduction in **CPU time**  
for **spin-angular** integration

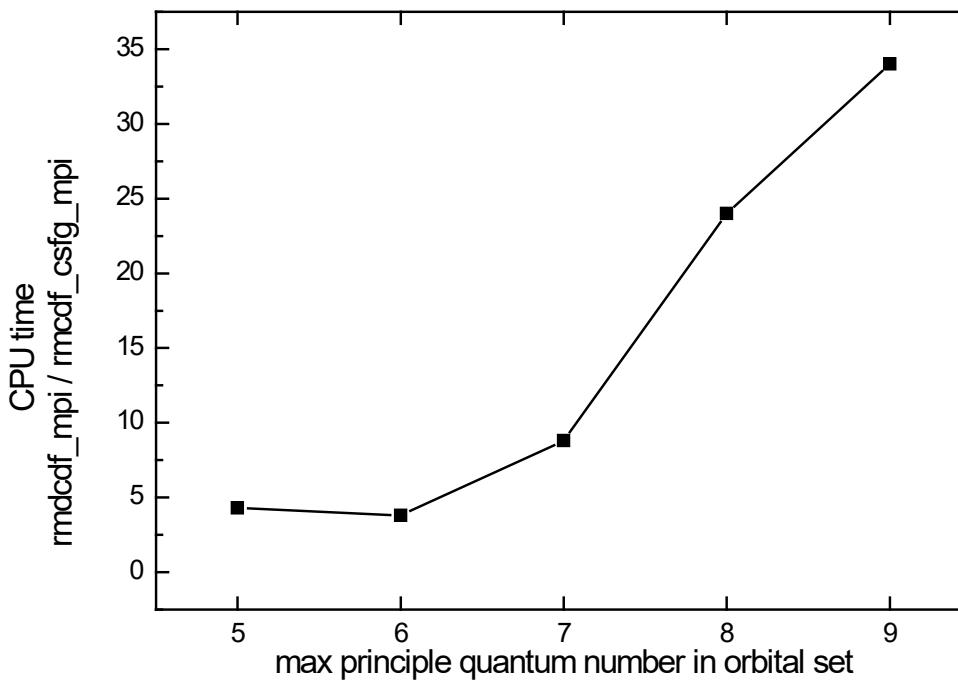


Reduction in  
spin-angular data **size**

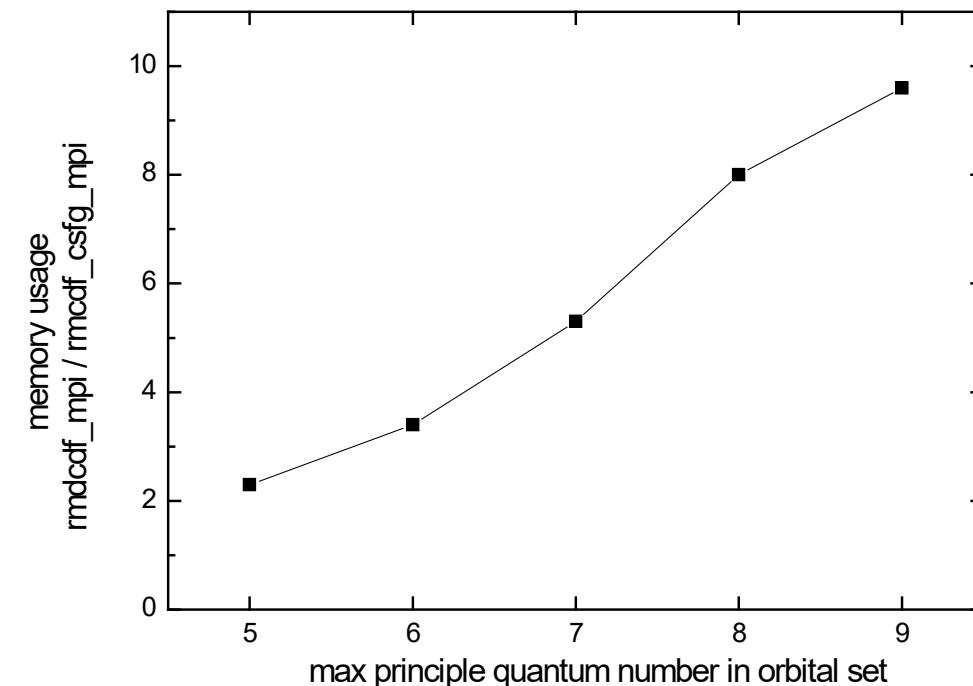


### 3. Programs to perform `rmcdhf` calculations: `rmcdhf_csfg_mpi`

Reduction in **CPU time** for  
`rmcdhf` calculations

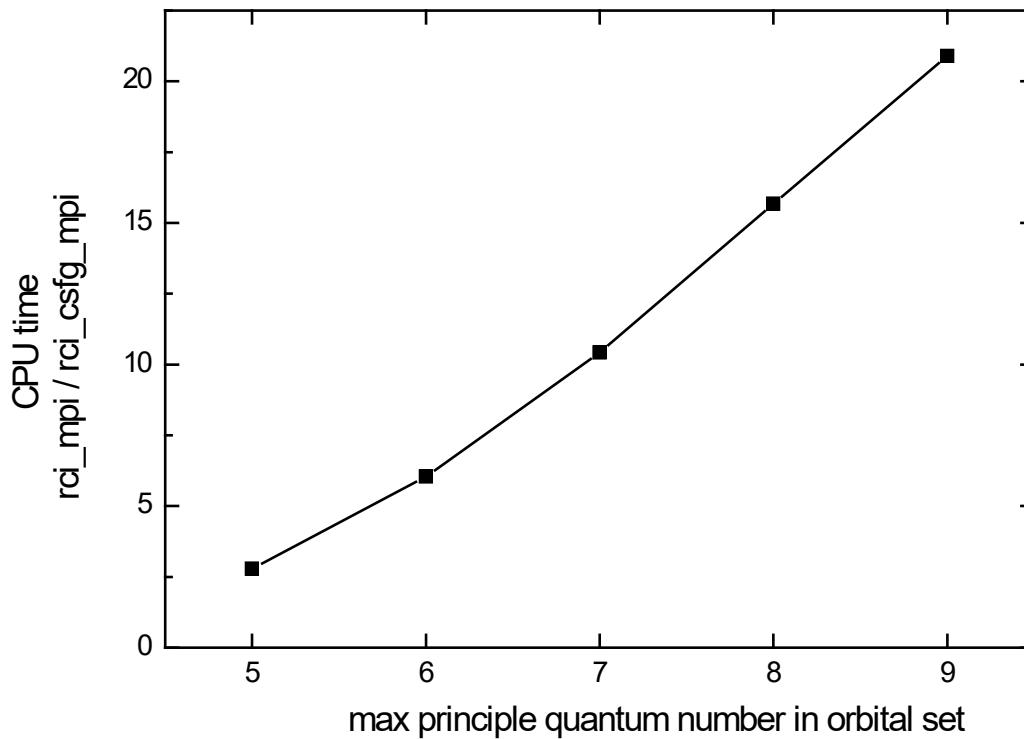


Reduction in **memory usage** for  
`rmcdhf` calculations



## 4. Programs to perform CI calculations: `rcl_csfg_mpi`

Reduction in **CPU time** for `rcl` calculations



More new features to reduce the consumption of computing resources

## 1. Restrictions on Breit interaction

Discard Breit interaction between high n and 1 orbitals

Orbital Set	rcl_mpi	rcl_csf_g_mpi	ratio
{9s, 9p, 9d, 9f, 9g, 9h, 9i}	2d 11 h	2 h 50 m	20.9
{9s, 9p, 9d, 9f, 9g, 9h, 9i}*		1 h 17 m	46.0

\* Breit interaction restricted to CSFs built on *spd f* orbitals.

- Speed-up factor: 2.5
- Deviations: <10 ppm

## 2. Prior condensation: rmixaccumulate\_csfg

- (1) Perform calculations using **a small set of symmetry-ordered orbitals**
- (2) Sort the squared weights of the CSFGs, and **accumulate to a predefined fraction**, e.g., 0.9999999
- (3) The surviving CSFGs are used for larger calculations based on **extended sets of symmetry-ordered orbitals**

Orbital Set	rcl_mpi	rcl_csfg_mpi	ratio
{9s, 9p, 9d, 9f, 9g, 9h, 9i}	2d 11 h	2 h 50 m	20.9
{9s, 9p, 9d, 9f, 9g, 9h, 9i}*		1 h 17 m	46.0
{9s, 9p, 9d, 9f, 9g, 9h, 9i}**		17 m 9 s	208

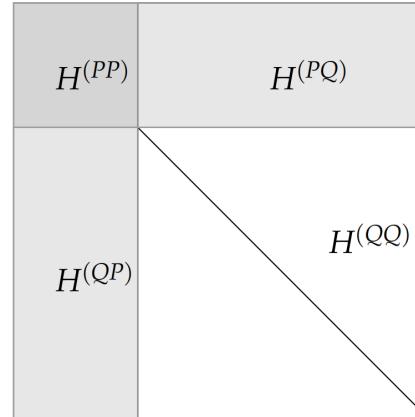
- Speed-up factor: 4.5
- Deviations: <0.2 ppm

\* Breit interaction restricted to CSFs built on *spd f* orbitals.

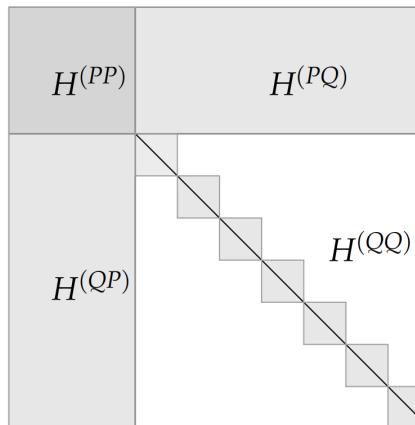
\*\* Restricted Breit and *a priori* condensation.

### 3. (CSFG/relativistic/nonrelativistic) blockwise zero-first method

Hamiltonian matrix for the **CSF** zero-first method



Hamiltonian matrix for the **CSFG** blockwise zero-first method

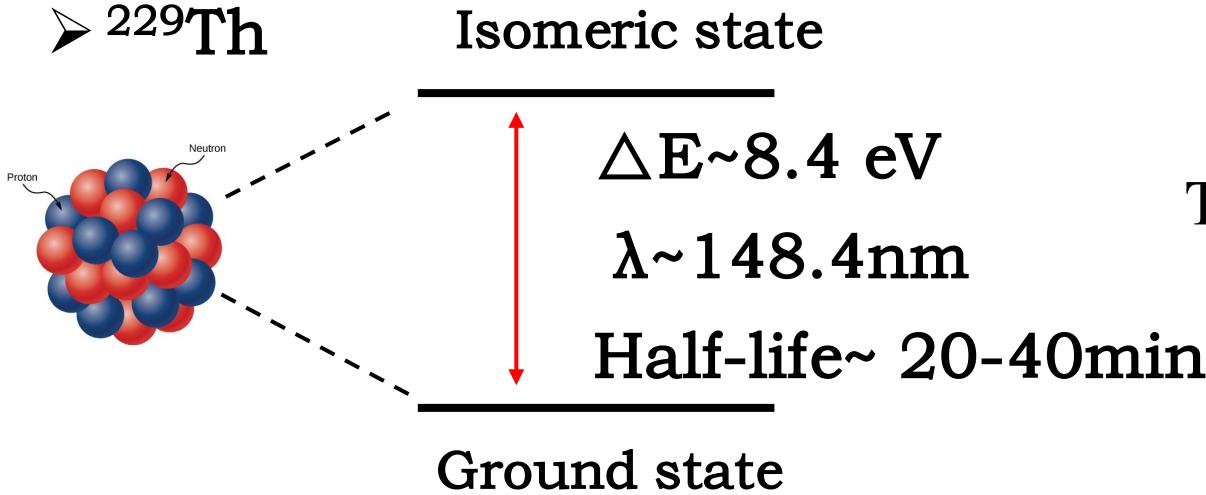


- **CSFG blockwise**
- **Relativistic configuration blockwise**
- **Nonrelativistic configuration blockwise**

## 4. Redistribute the rci.res files (rdistHmatrix\_csfg)

- The computation of the **Hamiltonian matrix elements** scales almost linearly with the number of processes.
- ✓ The **more** processes used, the faster
- In **restart** mode, **redistribute** the matrix element (rci.res) files into fewer processes
- During the **diagonalization**, depending on the available memory per process, the Hamiltonian matrix is loaded into memory or kept on disk.
- ✓ **Fewer** processes are preferable

►  $^{229}\text{Th}$



The **lowest known nuclear-excited state**

### Highly-accurate nuclear clock

Quality factor  $10^{19}$ - $10^{20}$

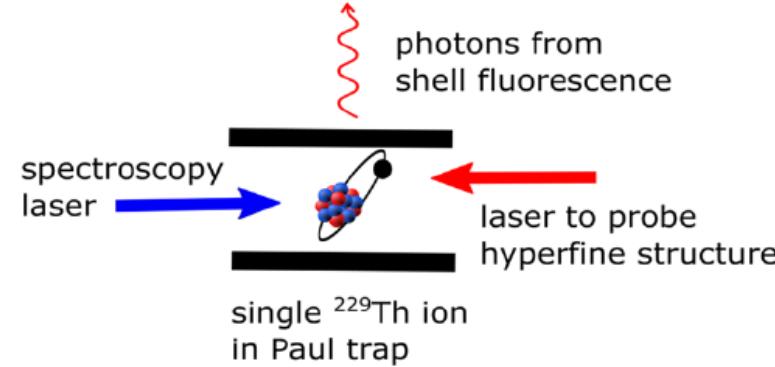
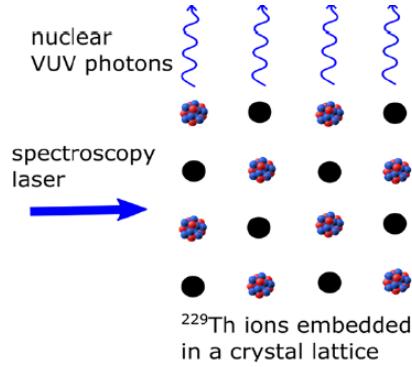
Less sensitive to external perturbations

$10^{-19}$  potential accuracy

### Sensitive probe for fundamental physics

Strongly enhanced sensitivity for variations of  
fundamental constants

K factor  $\sim -(0.82 \pm 0.25) \times 10^4$



## Solid-state nuclear clock

- Embedded in a crystal-lattice environment ( $\text{CaF}_2$ ,  $\text{MgF}_2$ ,  $\text{LiSrAlF}_2$  ...)
- Large number of simultaneously excited thorium nuclei ( $\sim 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ )
- Cost of achievable accuracy
- $^{229}\text{Th}^{4+}$

## Ion trap nuclear clock

- Trapped and laser-cooled
- Single or multiple ions
- Expected to provide the higher accuracy
- $^{229}\text{Th}^{3+}$

- 1976: <100 eV Nucl. Phys. A 259, 29 (1976)
- 1990: 1(4) eV Phys. Rev. Lett. 64, 271 (1990)
- 1994: 3.5(1.9) eV Phys. Rev. C 49, 1845 (1994)
- 2007: 7.6(5) eV Phys. Rev. Lett. 98, 142501 (2007)
- 2020: 8.10(17) eV Phys. Rev. Lett. 125, 142503 (2020)

$^{229}\text{Th}^{0+}$ ,  $\gamma$  ray spectrum

- 2019: 8.28(17) eV Nature 573, 243 (2019)

$^{229}\text{Th}^{0+}$ , internal conversion

- 2023: 8.338(24) eV Nature 617, 706 (2023)

2024: 8.35574(3) Phys. Rev. Lett. 132, 182501 (2024)

8.355733(2)stat(10)sys eV Phys. Rev. Lett. 133, 013201 (2024)

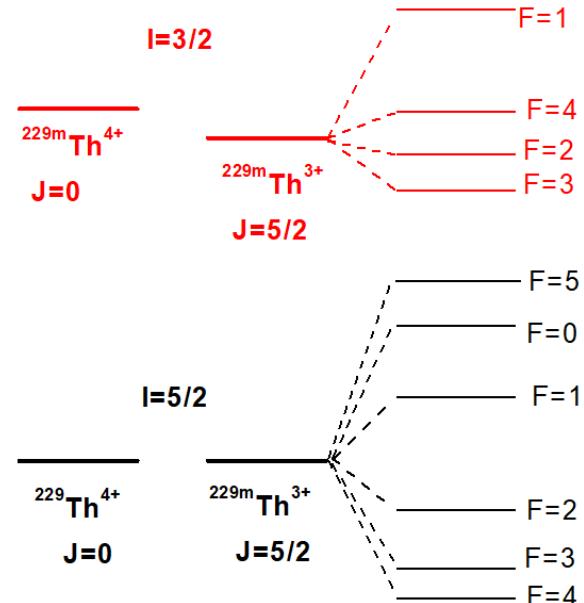
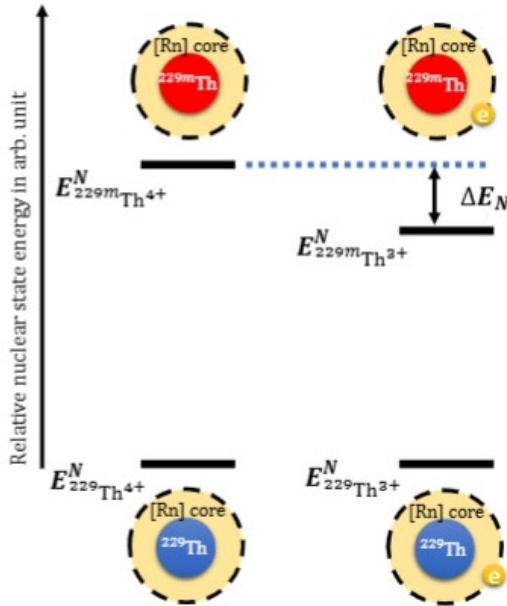
**8.355733554021(8) eV** Nature 633, 63 (2024)

$^{229}\text{Th}^{4+}$ , radiative decay

$^{229}\text{Th}^{4+}$ , laser excitation

Laser excitation of  $^{229}\text{Th}^{3+}$  has not been achieved!

## Effects of electrons on nuclear transition frequency



□ **Field shift:** Coulomb interaction of atomic electrons with the nucleus

□ **Hyperfine splitting:** interaction between the non-zero  $J$  of the electrons and non-zero  $I$  of the nucleus

## Effects of electrons on nuclear transition frequency

$$\Delta E_N = (E_{g,^{229m}\text{Th}^{3+}} - E_{g,^{229}\text{Th}^{3+}}) - (E_{g,^{229m}\text{Th}^{4+}} - E_{g,^{229}\text{Th}^{4+}})$$

➤ Four independent calculations:

$^{229}\text{Th}^{4+}$ ,  $^{229m}\text{Th}^{4+}$

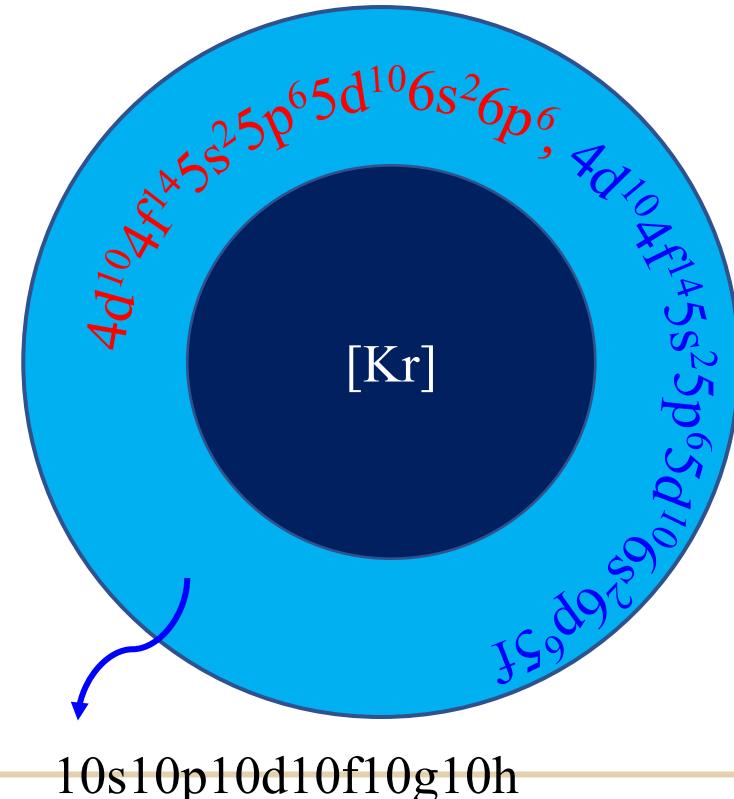
Number of CSFs: 58,779

Number of CSFGs: 4,890

$^{229}\text{Th}^{3+}$ ,  $^{229m}\text{Th}^{3+}$

Number of CSFs: 2,066,564

Number of CSFGs: 192,999

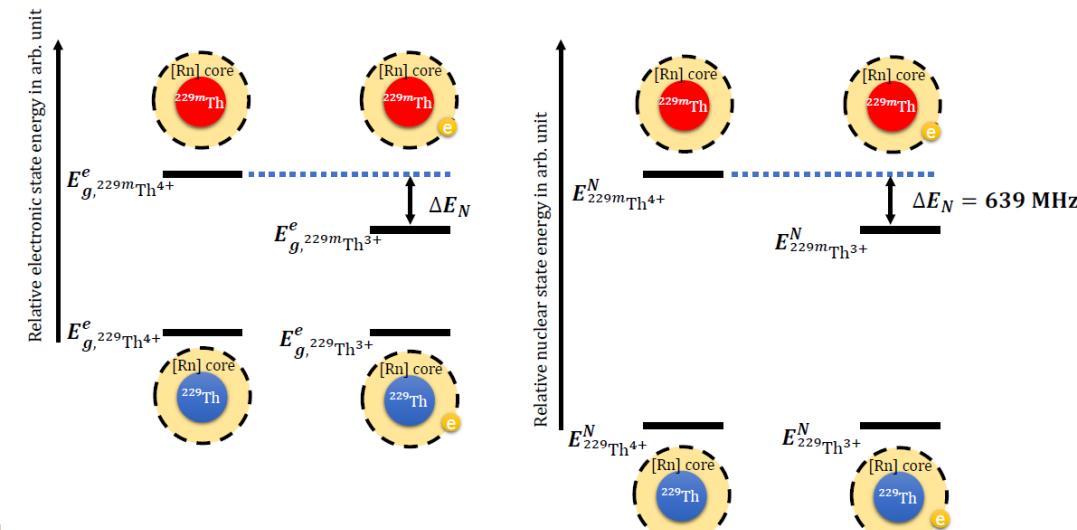


## ➤ Field shift of the nuclear clock transition frequency between $\text{Th}^{3+}$ and $\text{Th}^{4+}$

**Table 1** Calculated energy of the atomic ground state for  $^{229,229m}\text{Th}^{3+}$  and  $^{229,229m}\text{Th}^{4+}$  and the difference  $\Delta E_{g,\text{Th IV}} = E_{g,229m\text{Th}^{3+}} - E_{g,229\text{Th}^{3+}}$  and  $\Delta E_{g,\text{Th V}} = E_{g,229m\text{Th}^{4+}} - E_{g,229\text{Th}^{4+}}$ , as functions of active sets.

ASs	$E_{g,229\text{Th}^{3+}}$	$E_{g,229m\text{Th}^{3+}}$	$\Delta E_{g,\text{Th IV}}$	$E_{g,229\text{Th}^{4+}}$	$E_{g,229m\text{Th}^{4+}}$	$\Delta E_{g,\text{Th V}}$
AS7	-26452.1231423864	-26452.1196339200	0.0035084664	-26451.1352841710	-26451.1317756064	0.0035085646
AS8	-26452.2466260137	-26452.2431175449	0.0035084688	-26451.2059508799	-26451.2024423136	0.0035085663
AS9	-26452.2894648398	-26452.2859563704	0.0035084694	-26451.2365257811	-26451.2330172145	0.0035085666
AS10	-26452.3073192168	-26452.3038107472	0.0035084696	-26451.2517689877	-26451.2482604210	0.0035085667

	In Hartree	In MHz
AS <sub>n</sub>	$\Delta E_N$	$\Delta \nu_N$
AS <sub>7</sub>	-9.82E-08	-646
AS <sub>8</sub>	-9.75E-08	-642
AS <sub>9</sub>	-9.72E-08	-640
AS <sub>10</sub>	-9.71E-08	-639



## ➤ Hyperfine splitting of Nuclear clock transition frequency of $^{229}\text{Th}^{3+}$

$$\Delta E_F^{(1)} = \frac{1}{2} A C + B \frac{\frac{3}{4}C(C+1) - I(I+1)J(J+1)}{2I(2I-1)J(2J-1)} \quad C = F(F+1) - J(J+1) - I(I+1)$$

$$A = \frac{\mu}{I} \frac{1}{\sqrt{J(J+1)}} \langle \Gamma J || T^{(1)} || \Gamma J \rangle \quad B = 2Q \sqrt{\frac{J(2J-1)}{(J+1)(2J+3)}} \langle \Gamma J || T^{(2)} || \Gamma J \rangle$$

$$\mu_{is} / \mu_g = -1.04(15), \quad Q_{is} / Q_g = 0.57003(1)$$

(Nature 633, 63 (2024) ; Nature 636, 603 (2024) )

$$A_g = 82.2(6) \text{ MHz}, \quad B_g = 82.2(6) \text{ MHz} \quad \longrightarrow \quad A_{is} = -142.5 (20.5) \text{ MHz}, \quad B_{is} = 1293 (6) \text{ MHz}$$

(Phys. Rev. Lett. 106, 223001 (2011))

$$I_g = 5/2, \quad I_{is} = 3/2$$

Isomer	Ground	In MHz
$F = 1$	$F = 0$	784(117)
$F = 1$	$F = 1$	1247(115)
$F = 1$	$F = 2$	1967(113)
$F = 2$	$F = 1$	-73(71)
$F = 2$	$F = 2$	648(68)
$F = 2$	$F = 3$	1218(69)
$F = 3$	$F = 2$	-362(9)
$F = 3$	$F = 3$	209(10)
$F = 3$	$F = 4$	16(11)
$F = 4$	$F = 3$	673(80)
$F = 4$	$F = 4$	480(81)
$F = 4$	$F = 5$	-1292(80)

- **Be I**: GRASPG + prior condensation
- ✓ **Targeted configurations**:  $1s^2 nl n'l' (n \leq 7)$
- ✓ **MR**:  $1s^2 nl n'l' (2 \leq n \leq n' \leq 14, 0 \leq l(l') \leq n-1, [n(n') \geq 9, l(l') \in \{s, p, d, f\}])$
- ✓ **CSFs**: SD-excitations to  $\{22s, 22p, 19d, 17f, 16g, 15h, 15i, 13k, 13l, 11m\}$

Number of CSFs: 247 482 200

Number of CSFGs: 85 627 995

- ✓ **Prior condensation**

Number of CSFs: 13 335 187

Number of CSFGs: 3 622 609

Only **5%** out of the original CSFs are retained.

Configuration	Energy( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) (original)	Energy( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) (condensed)	$\Delta E(\text{cm}^{-1})$
$1s^2 2s3s \ ^1S_0$	54664.60	54665.02	0.42
$1s^2 2p^2 \ ^3P_0$	59678.61	59678.89	0.28
$1s^2 2s4s \ ^1S_0$	65231.45	65232.13	0.69
$1s^2 2s5s \ ^1S_0$	69307.99	69308.83	0.84
$1s^2 2s6s \ ^1S_0$	71306.77	71307.68	0.91
$1s^2 2s7s \ ^1S_0$	72434.12	72435.06	0.94

- **W<sup>37+</sup>:** GRASG + Blockwise zero-first method
- ✓ **Targeted configurations (MR):**  $4s^24p^64d$ ,  $4s^24p^64f$ ,  $4s^24p^54d^2$
- ✓ **CSFs:** SD-excitations to  $\{9s, 9p, 9d, 8f, 8g, 8h, 8i, 8k\}$

Number of CSFs: 21 691 040

P Space: 2 586 477

- Zero-first based on **CSF**:

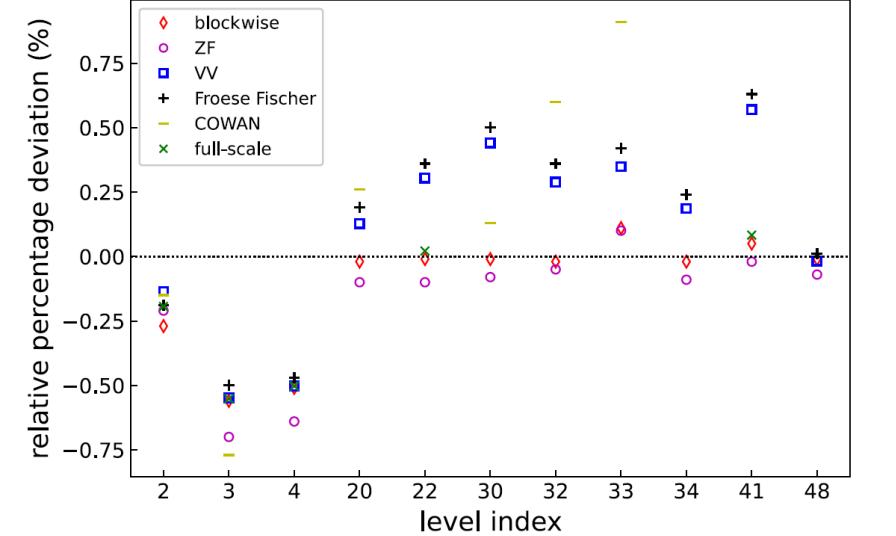
0.1% agreement with experimental wavelengths

- Blockwise zero-first based on **CSFG**:

0.01% agreement with experimental wavelengths

- Blockwise zero-first based on CSFGs in the same **(non)relativistic configurations**:

Similar accuracy with the results based on **CSFG**



### ➤ nrconfiggenerate\_csfг

1. Substitute any number of electrons from the reference configurations to **non-relativistic** configurations
2. Construct the non-relativistic configurations in “**CSFG**” format
3. Generate the **relativistic** configurations in “**CSFG**” format
4. Generate the **jj-coupled CSFGs**

### ➤ Advantages

1. 20 non-relativistic orbitals, **30** relativistic orbitals
2. **Speed-up** factor in **generating** the CSFs expansions: 2 order of magnitude
3. **Speeds up** the **zero-first** rearrangement of the CSFs expansions
4. The generated information can be used for (CSFG/relativistic/non-relativistic) blockwise zero-first calculations/NN calculations



- GRASPG + Basis selection by machine learning

Details in Chaofan Shi's talk!

- A partitioned correlation function interaction approach in GRASP

Details in Sijie Wu's talk!



**Thanks for your attention!**