

A quantum optimization algorithm for deriving effective shell model hamiltonians

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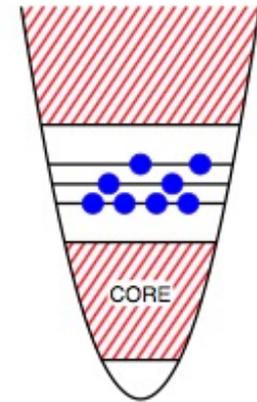
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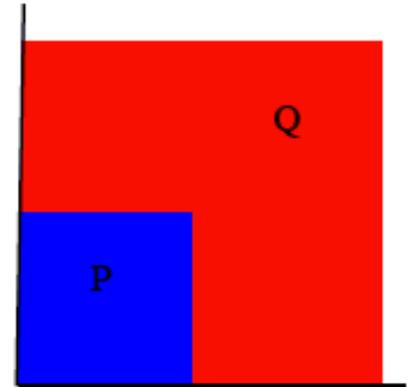
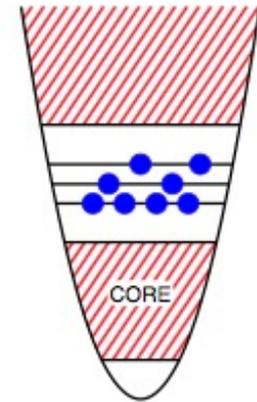


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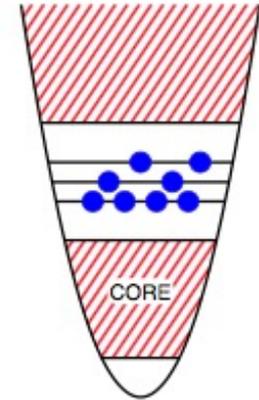


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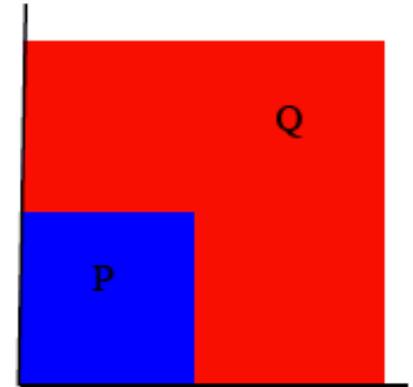
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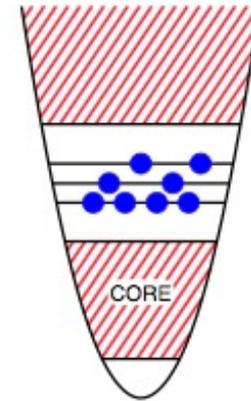
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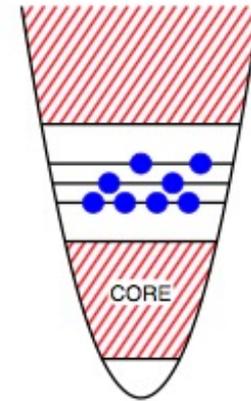
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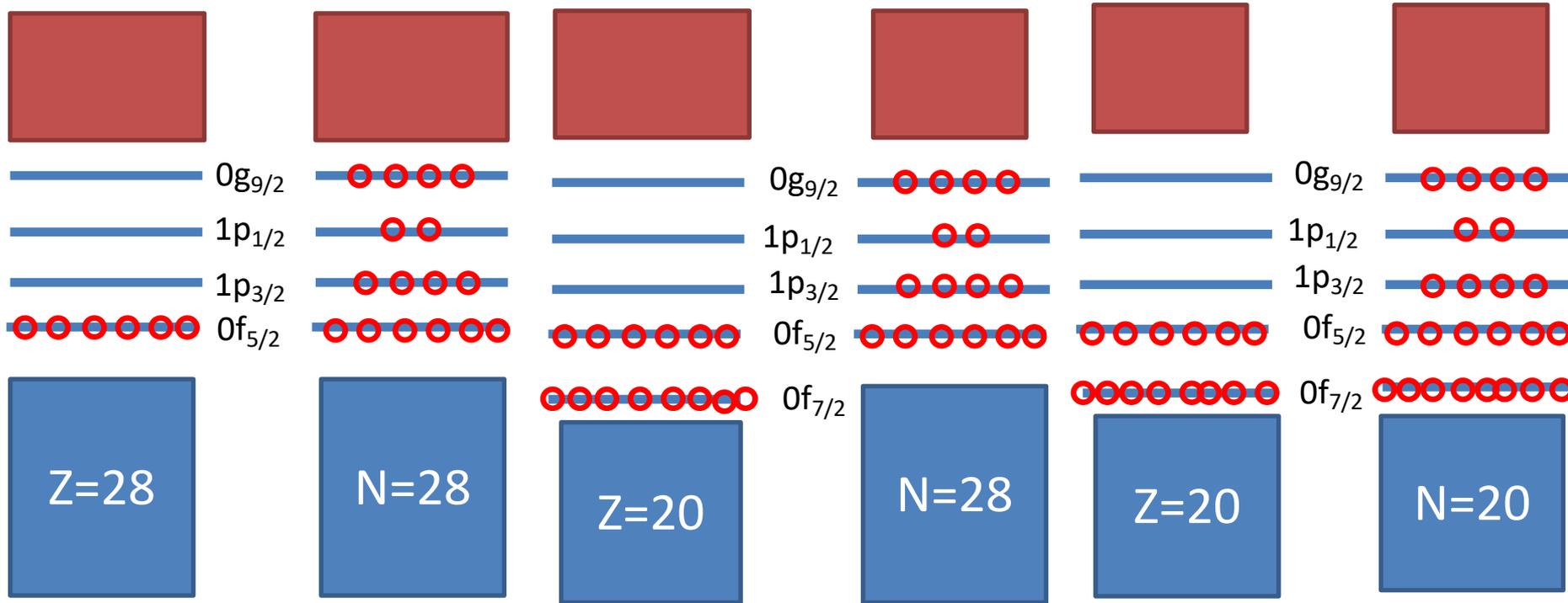


Problems:

- 1) Size of the Hamiltonian matrix too large as ν increases
- 2) Derivation of the effective Hamiltonian

Definition of the model space

Let's focus for example on ^{76}Se for different cores



Core ^{56}Ni

$Z_v=6$

$N_v=14$

Dim= 6.79×10^8

Core ^{48}Ca

$Z_v=14$

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Dim= 1.15×10^{12}

Core ^{40}Ca

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$N_v=22$

Dim= 2.04×10^{13}

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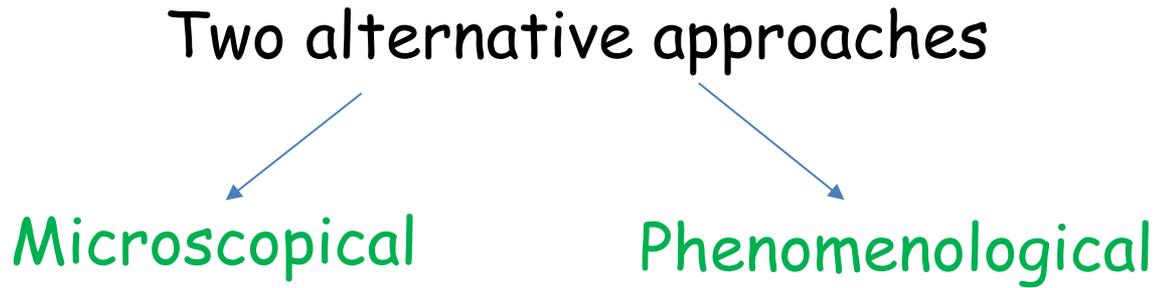
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The eigenvalues of H_{eff} belong to the set of eigenvalues of the full nuclear hamiltonian.

This may be provided by a **similarity transformation** Ω of the full Hilbert-space hamiltonian H .

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The ME and the single particle energies are determined using for example best fit procedure fitting experimental data available in the region.

Well known phenomenological potential are for example the Cohen-Kurath in the $0p$ shell, the USDA and USDB in the $1s0d$ shell

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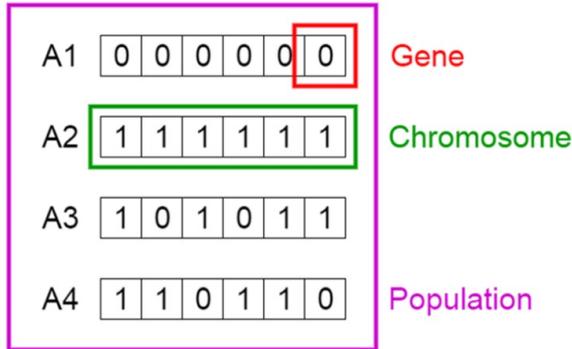
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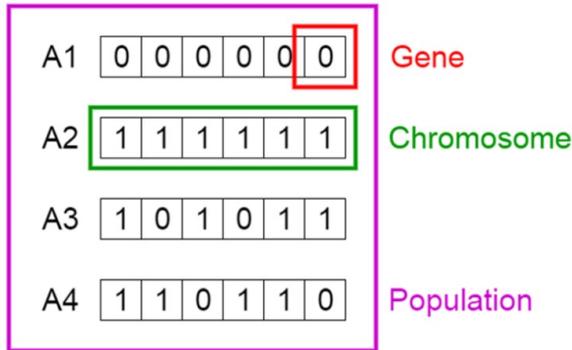
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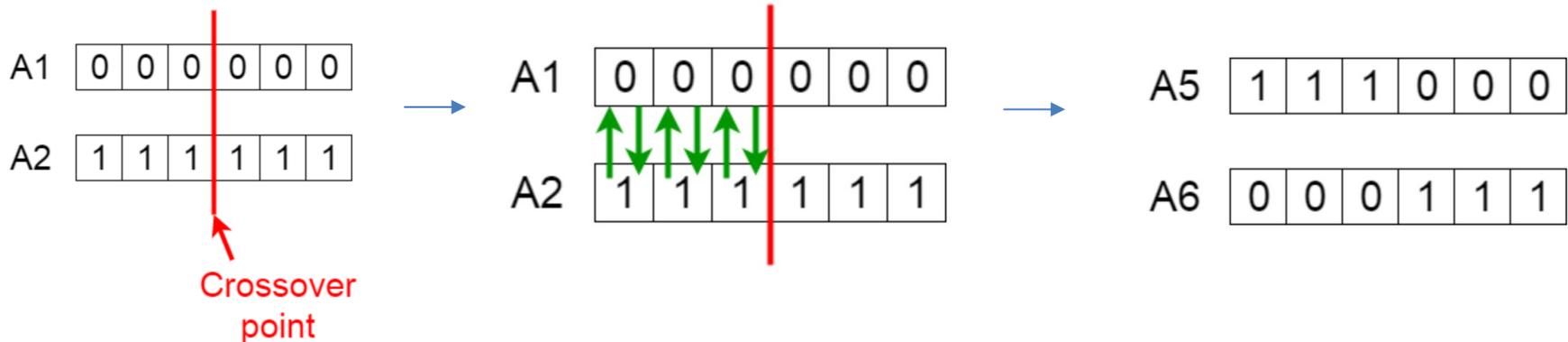
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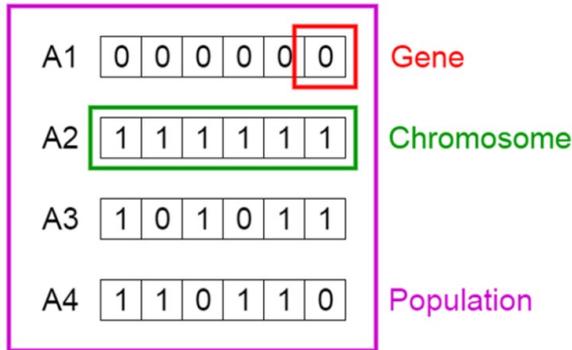


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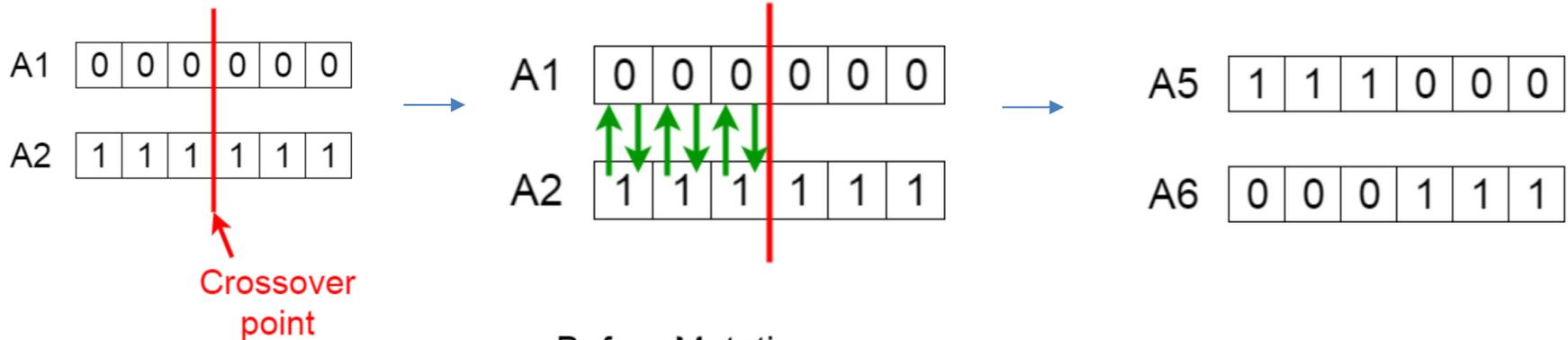


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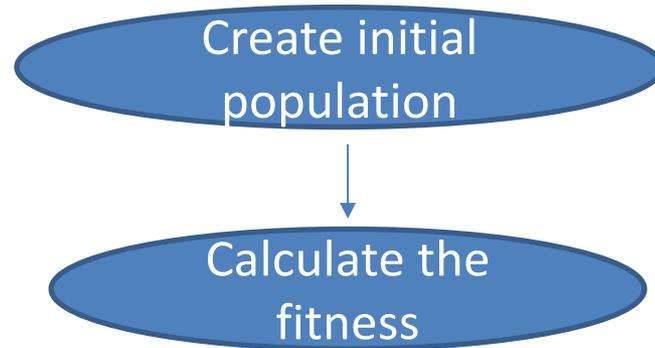
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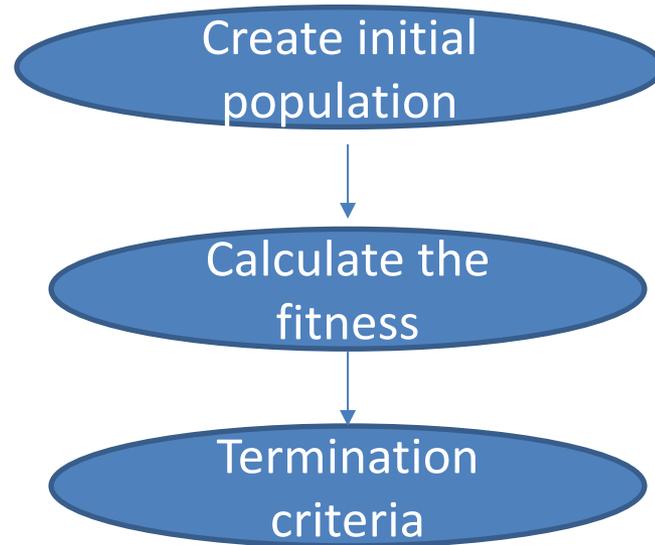
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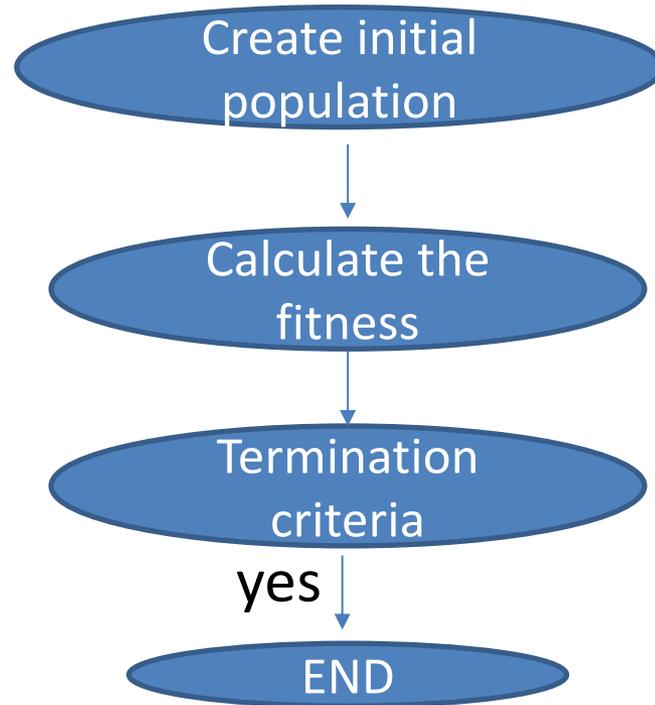
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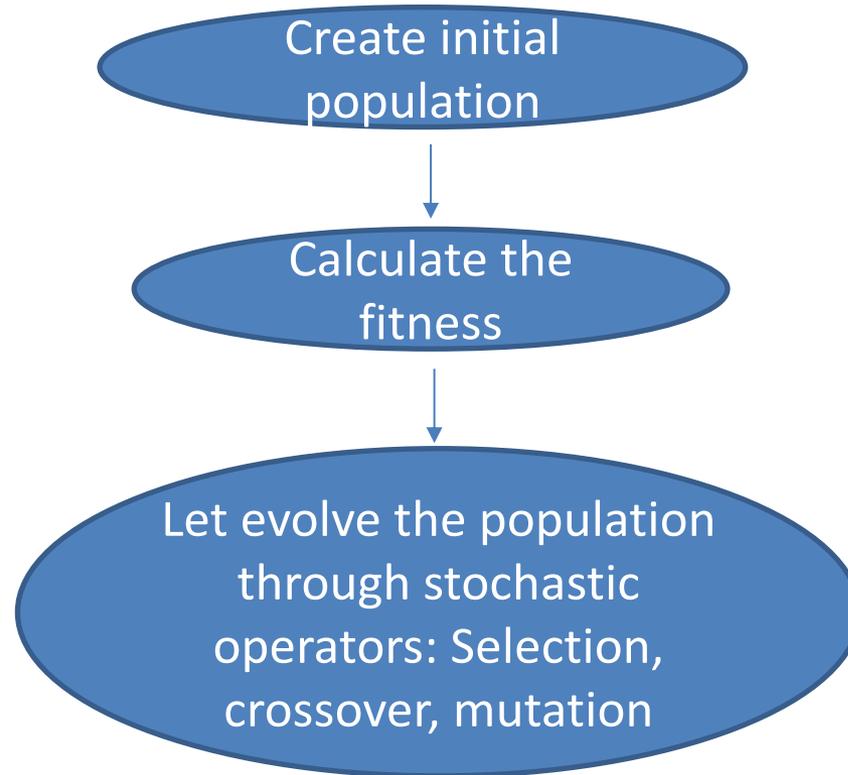
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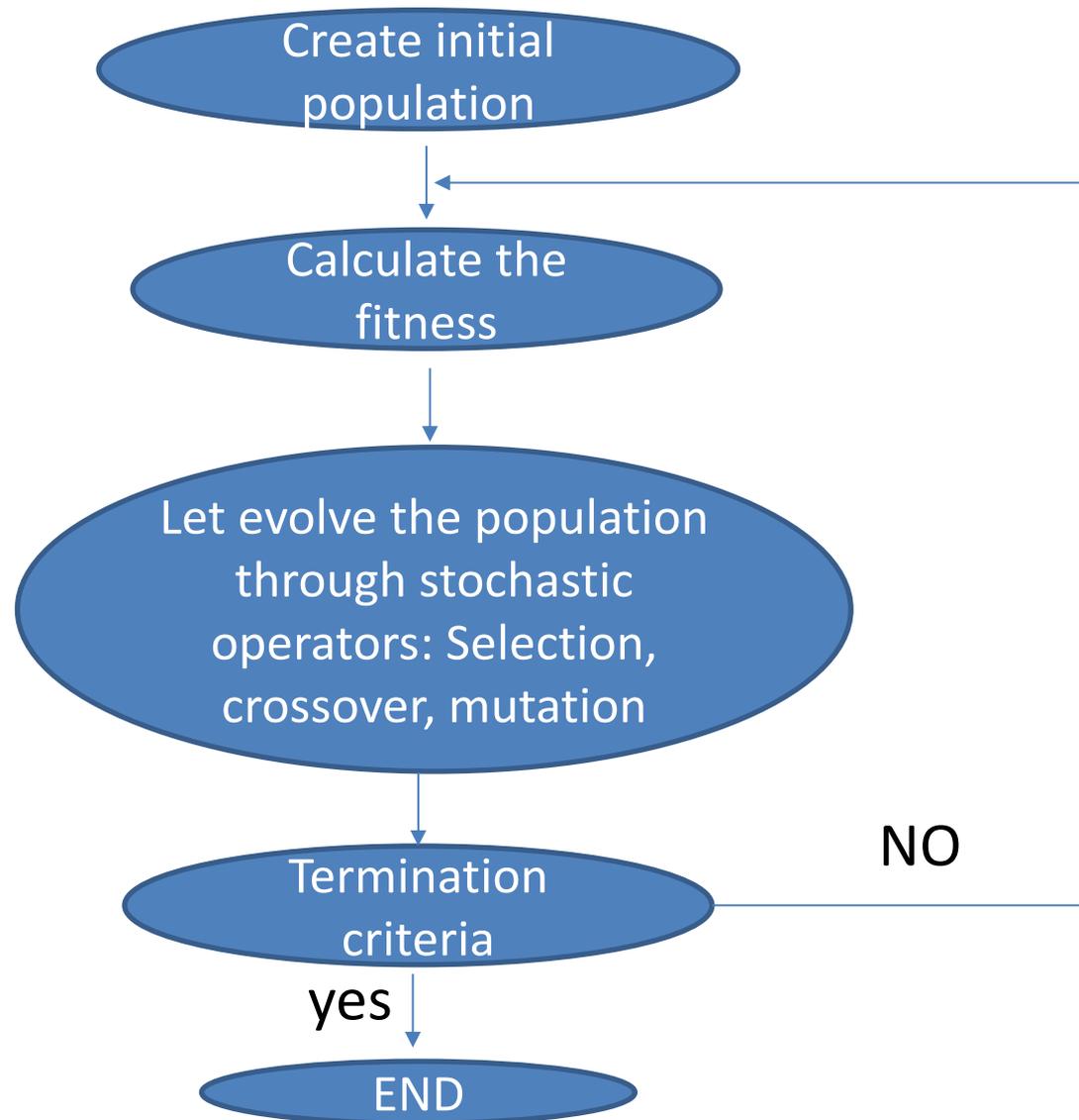
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- Starting from a population EA algorithms are more robust
- The possibility to end up with in local minima is minimized, complete exploration of the space
- Computational advantage: No computation of the gradient

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First implementation for the binary case

Quantum *GA* is a hybrid quantum/classical algorithm able to perform genetic optimization by using quantum and classical computers

In detail, quantum computers are used to implement the entire evolutionary optimization process, while classical computers perform the fitness function evaluations

Extension to the real case is ongoing

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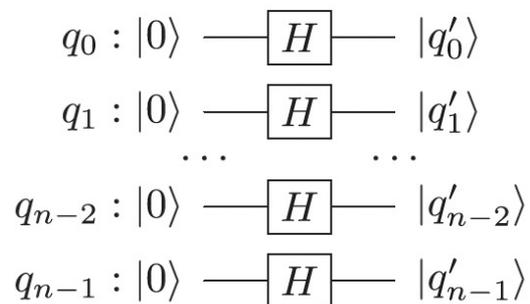
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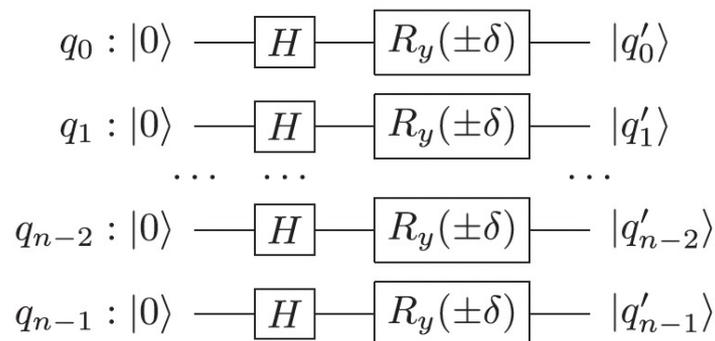
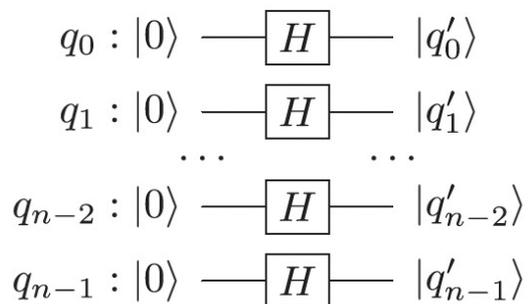
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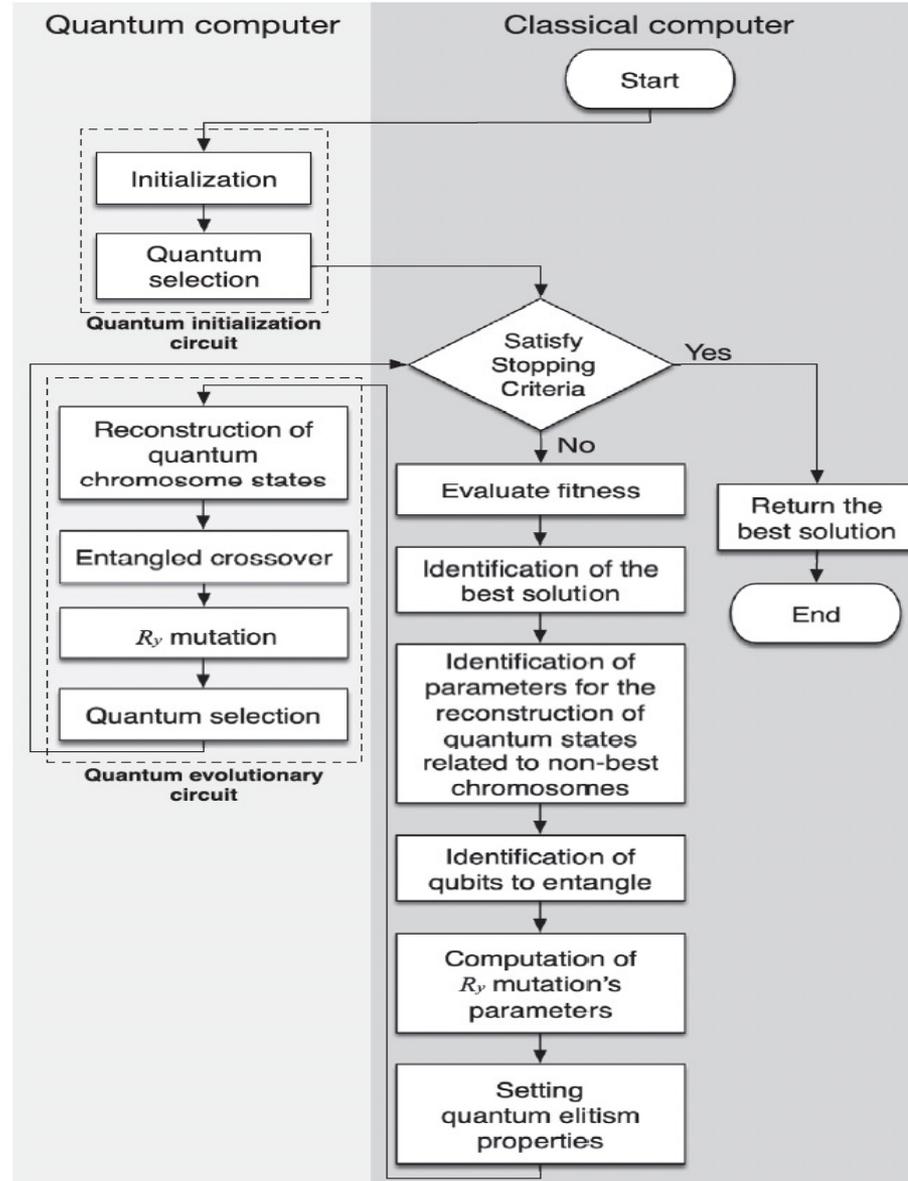
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Thanks to the application of the quantum measurement, a single fitness function evaluation is required to evaluate its quality.

Potential exponential advantage!!!

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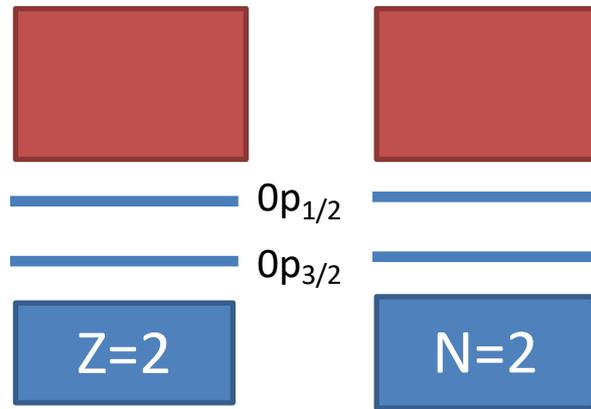


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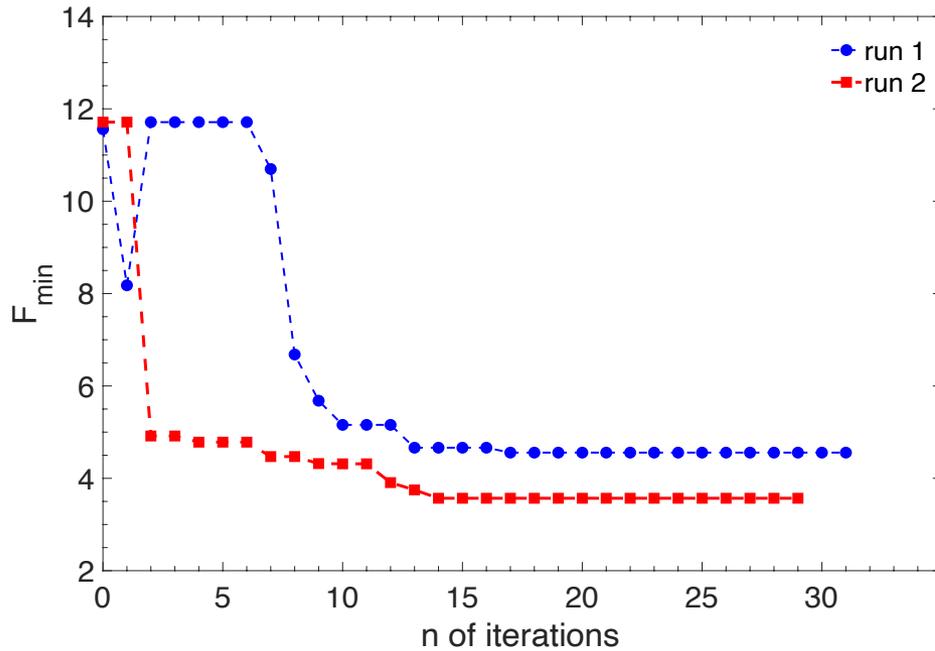
In the J coupled scheme there are 34 TBME and 4 sp ME

One of the most famous p shell interaction is the Cohen-Kurath interaction

At that time they made the fit (1965) there were 50 experimental levels, and not all of them were put in the fit nowadays we have more than 150 data

They performed a least square fit analysis, neglecting the coulomb interaction -> only a subset of the 34 TBME is linearly independent

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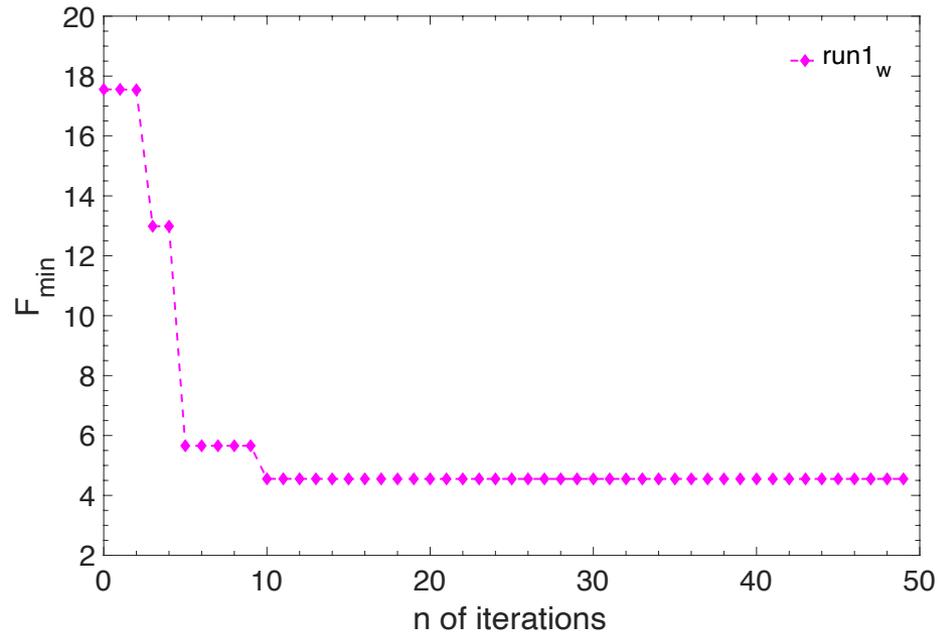


The first thing to show is that
GA converges

Preliminary

$$f(\theta_i) = \sum w_j \left(E_j^{th}(\theta_i) - E_j^{exp} \right)^2$$

120 states of different
p-shell nuclei



GA Real

The second thing to analyze are the results

We are trying to fit, at same time, gs and excited states energies

Ground state with respect to ${}^4\text{He}$

Nucleus	J^π	E^{exp}	E_{th} (CK)	E_{th} (GA)
${}^6\text{He}$	0^+	-0.975	-3.909	-4.930
${}^8\text{He}$	0^+	-3.100	-3.123	-6.213
${}^8\text{Be}$	0^+	-28.203	-31.119	-29.782
${}^{12}\text{C}$	0^+	-63.866	-71.044	-66.613
${}^{13}\text{N}$	$\frac{1}{2}^-$	-65.809	-75.229	-67.816
${}^{15}\text{N}$	$\frac{1}{2}^-$	-87.193	-97.527	-90.838

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Excitation energy of excited states

Nucleus	J^π	E_x^{exp}	E_{th} (CK)	E_{th} (GA)
${}^6\text{He}$	2^+_{1}	1.797	4.542	1.797
${}^8\text{He}$	2^+_{1}	3.100	4.715	2.731
${}^8\text{Be}$	2^+_{1}	3.030	3.819	2.553
${}^{12}\text{C}$	2^+_{1}	4.440	4.647	4.549
${}^{13}\text{N}$	$3/2^-$	3.502	3.587	5.144
${}^{15}\text{N}$	$3/2^-$	6.324	6.362	7.128

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- From very preliminary results *GA* seems to be able to determine an effective interaction for the *Op* shell which can be potentially better than the *CK* interaction

Outlook

- Try different populations and improve the Fitness definition
- Once we are ready, we can move to the Quantum *GA*, for $N=34$ parameters we will need $n=6$ qubits
 - We will continue with other regions.
- This procedure can be used also to modify already existing effective interactions

Other applications???

Thank you