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Chiral three-nucleon force

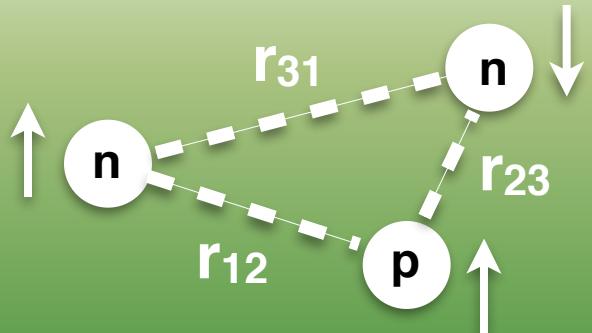
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Chiral EFT for nuclear forces

Chiral expansion of the nuclear force up to N⁴LO

Inclusion of the Δ(1232) isobar

Summary & outlook



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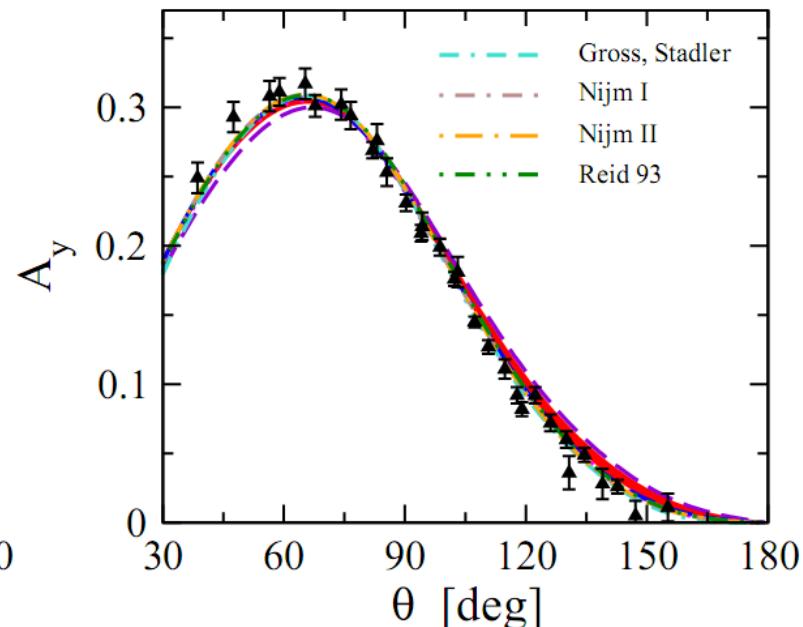
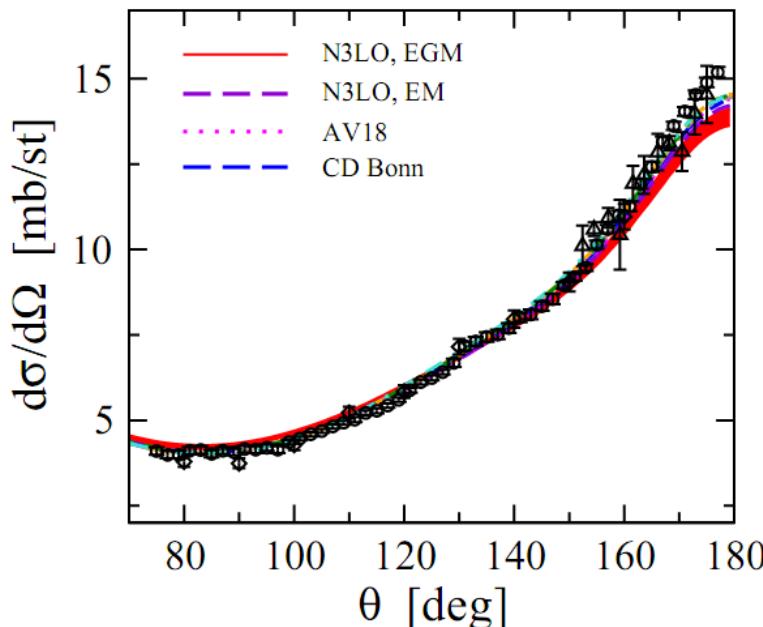
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...replacement of field interactions by two-body action-at-a-distance potentials is a poor approximation in nuclear physics.“

The three-nucleon force problem

Modern phenomenological NN potentials (AV18, CDBonn, Nijm I,II, Reid93, ...)

- Long-range part due to EM interaction and the one-pion exchange potential
- Short-range pieces modeled phenomenological; benefit from the general form of the NN potential being rather simple:
$$V(\vec{p}', \vec{p}) \equiv \langle \vec{p}' | V | \vec{p} \rangle = \left\{ \mathbf{1}_{\text{spin}}, \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2, S_{12}(\vec{q}), S_{12}(\vec{k}), i\vec{S} \cdot \vec{q} \times \vec{k}, \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{q} \times \vec{k} \vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot \vec{q} \times \vec{k} \right\} \times \left\{ \mathbf{1}_{\text{isospin}}, \boldsymbol{\tau}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_2 \right\}$$
- Perfect fit to NN data ($\chi^2 \sim 1$)



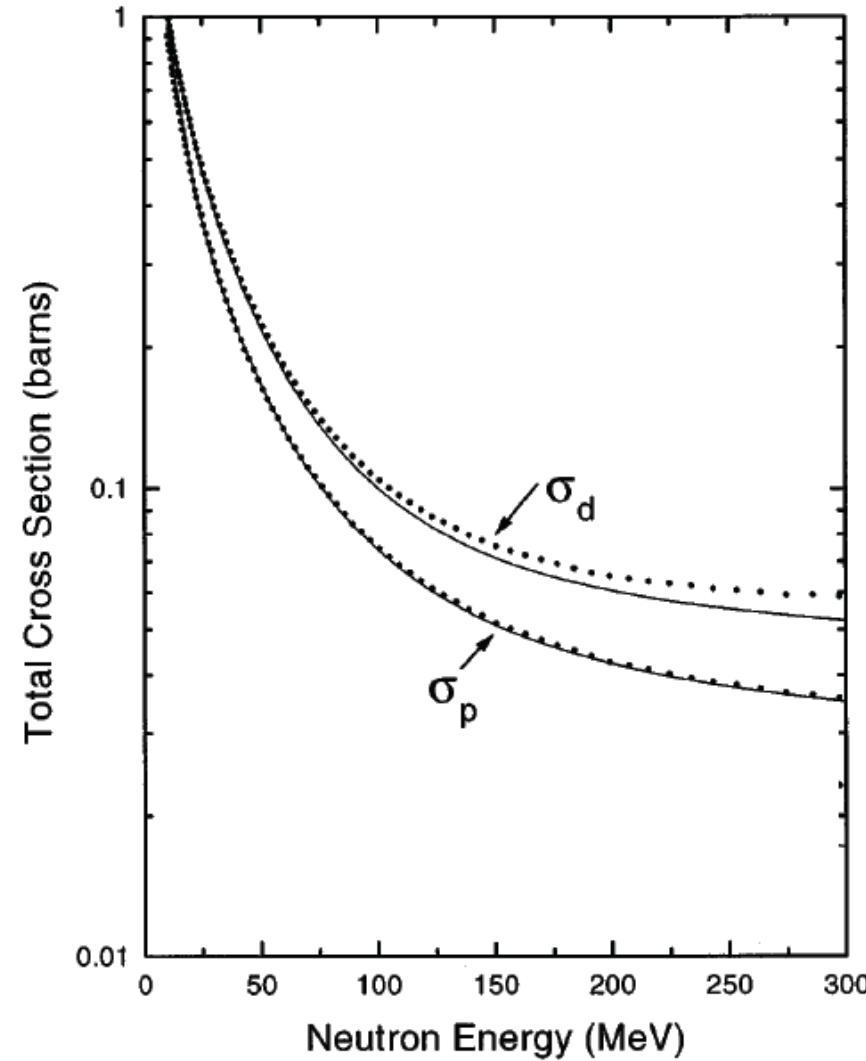
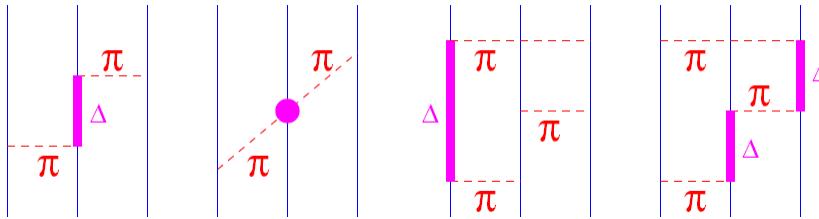
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- Triton binding energy calculated based on V_{NN} is typically under-bound by the amount of ~ 1 MeV
- Large discrepancies for the total nucleon-deuteron cross section

→ „evidence“ for missing 3NFs

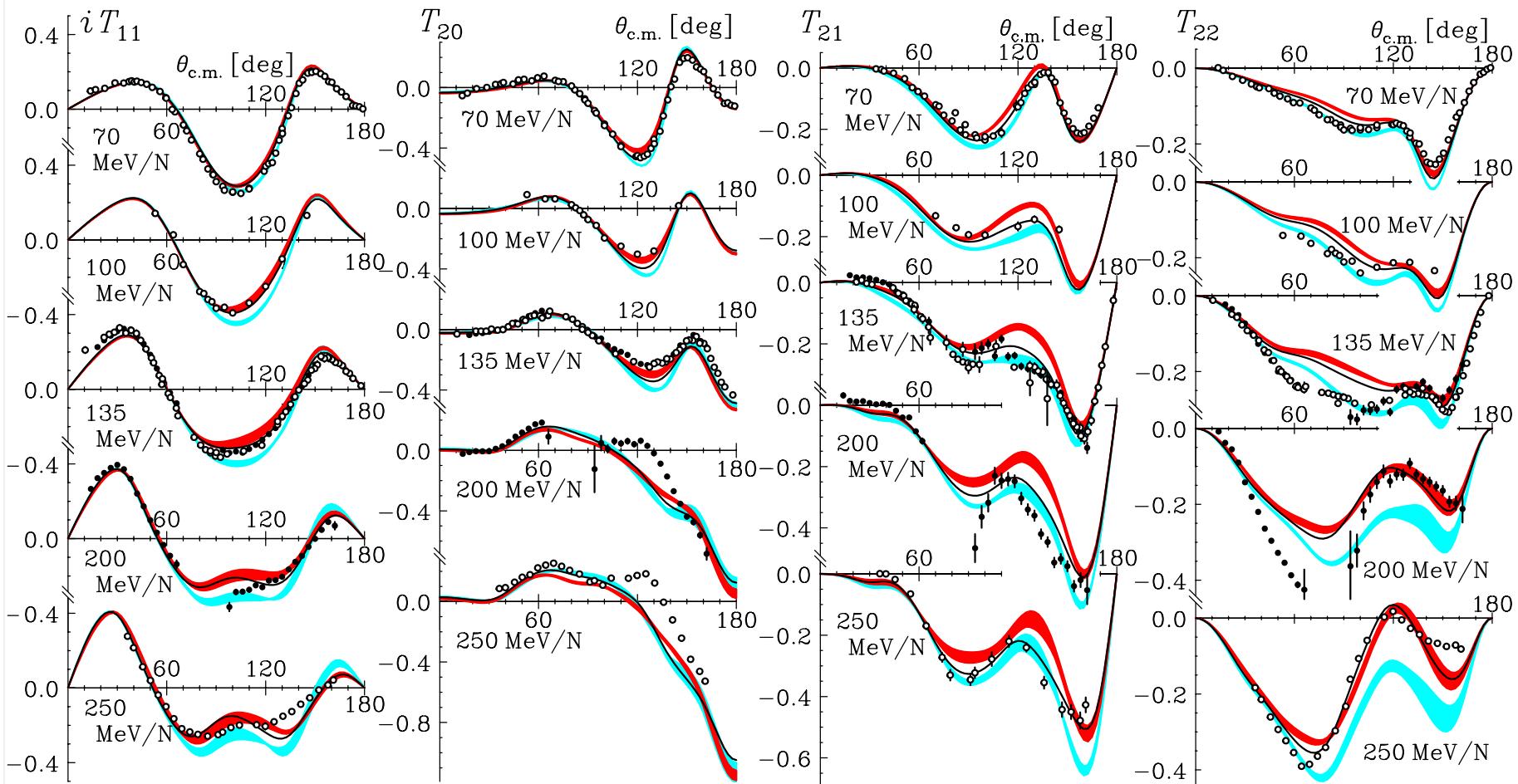
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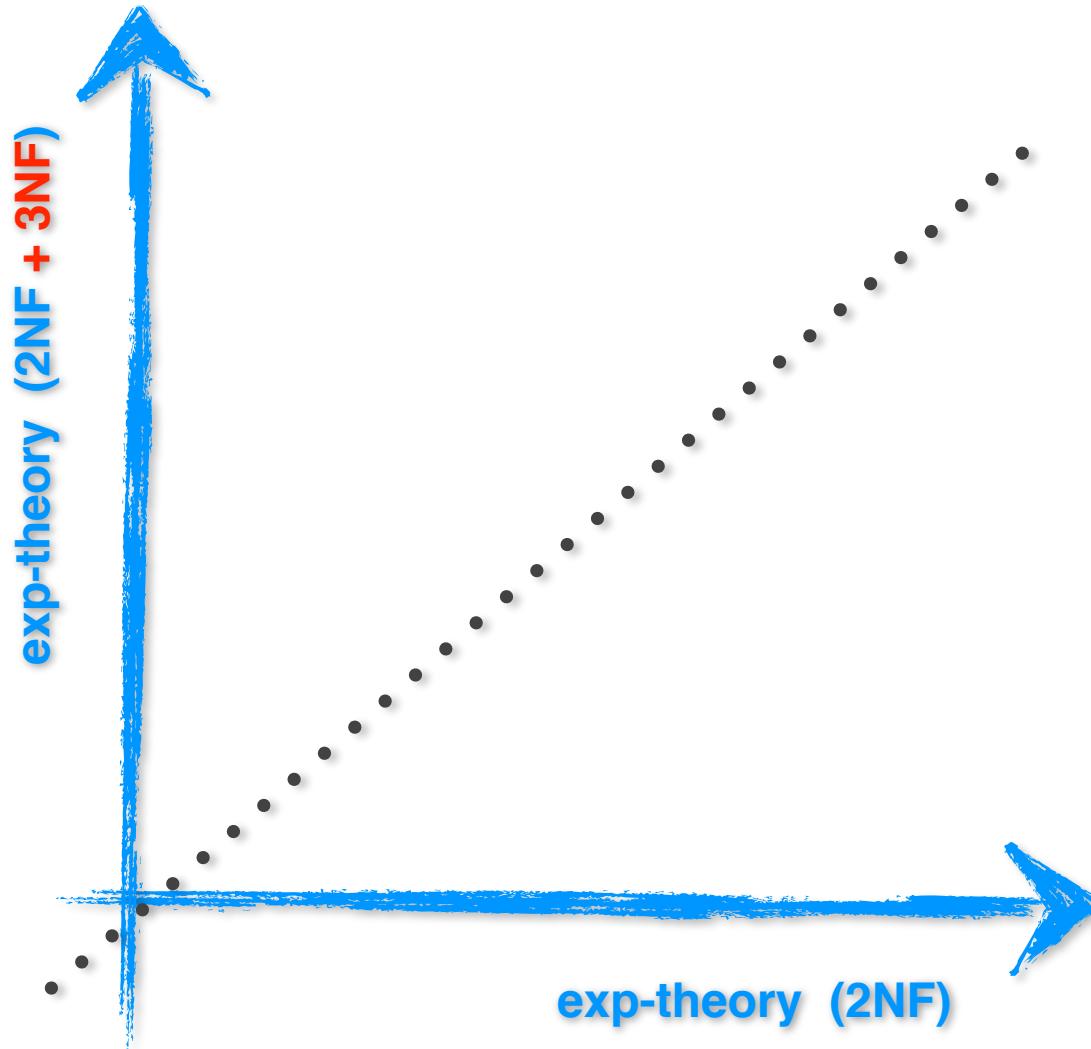
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Spin observables in elastic nucleon-deuteron scattering



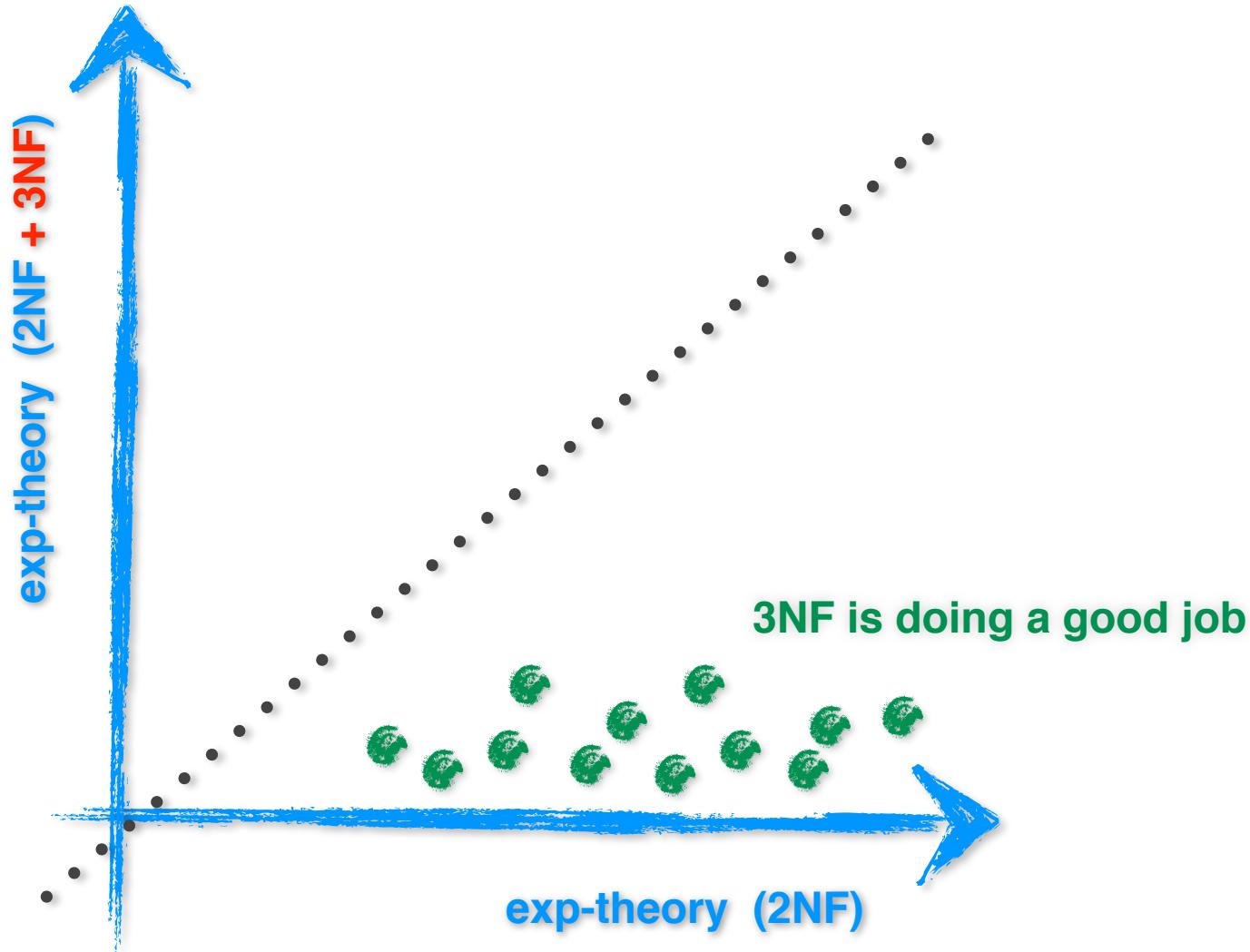
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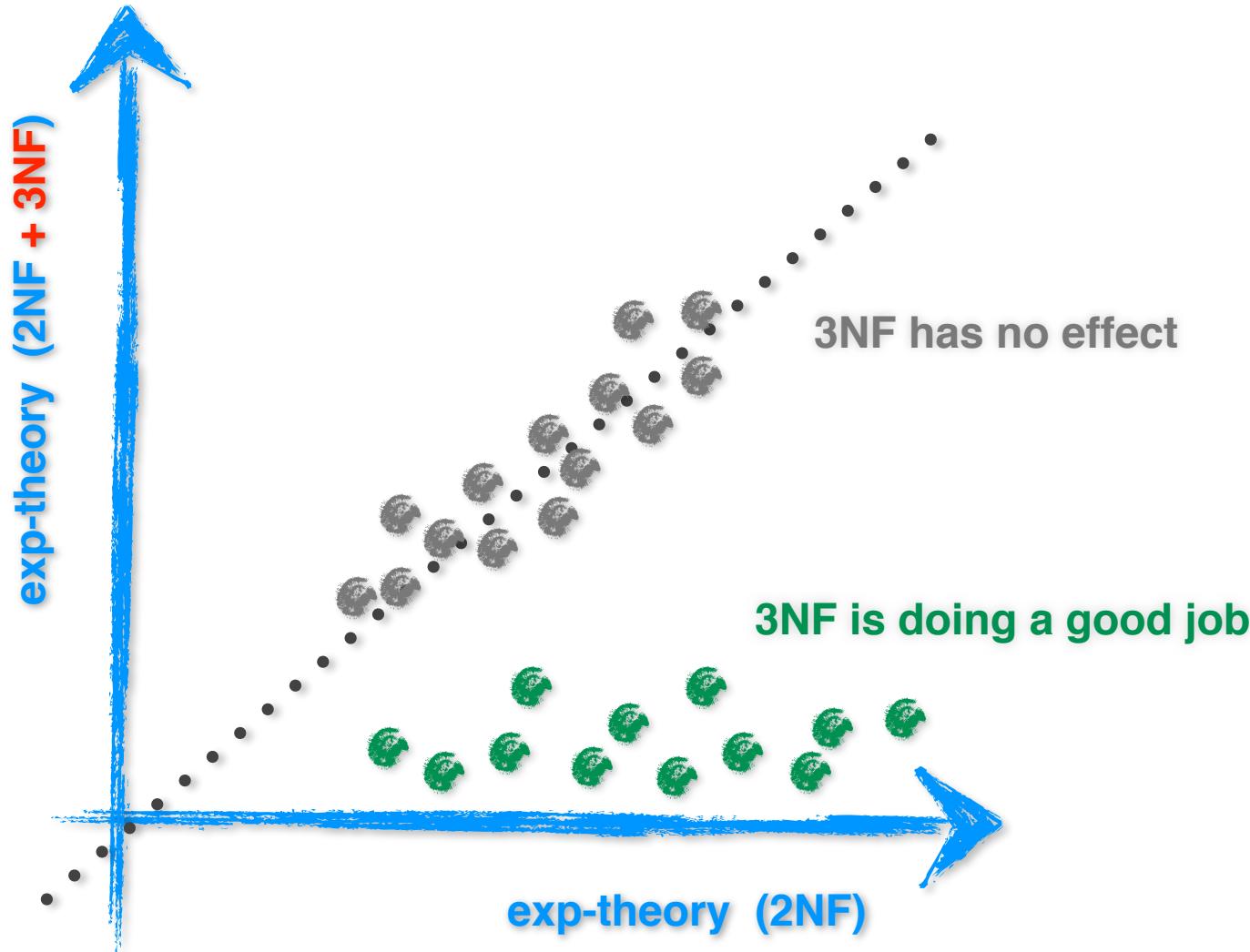
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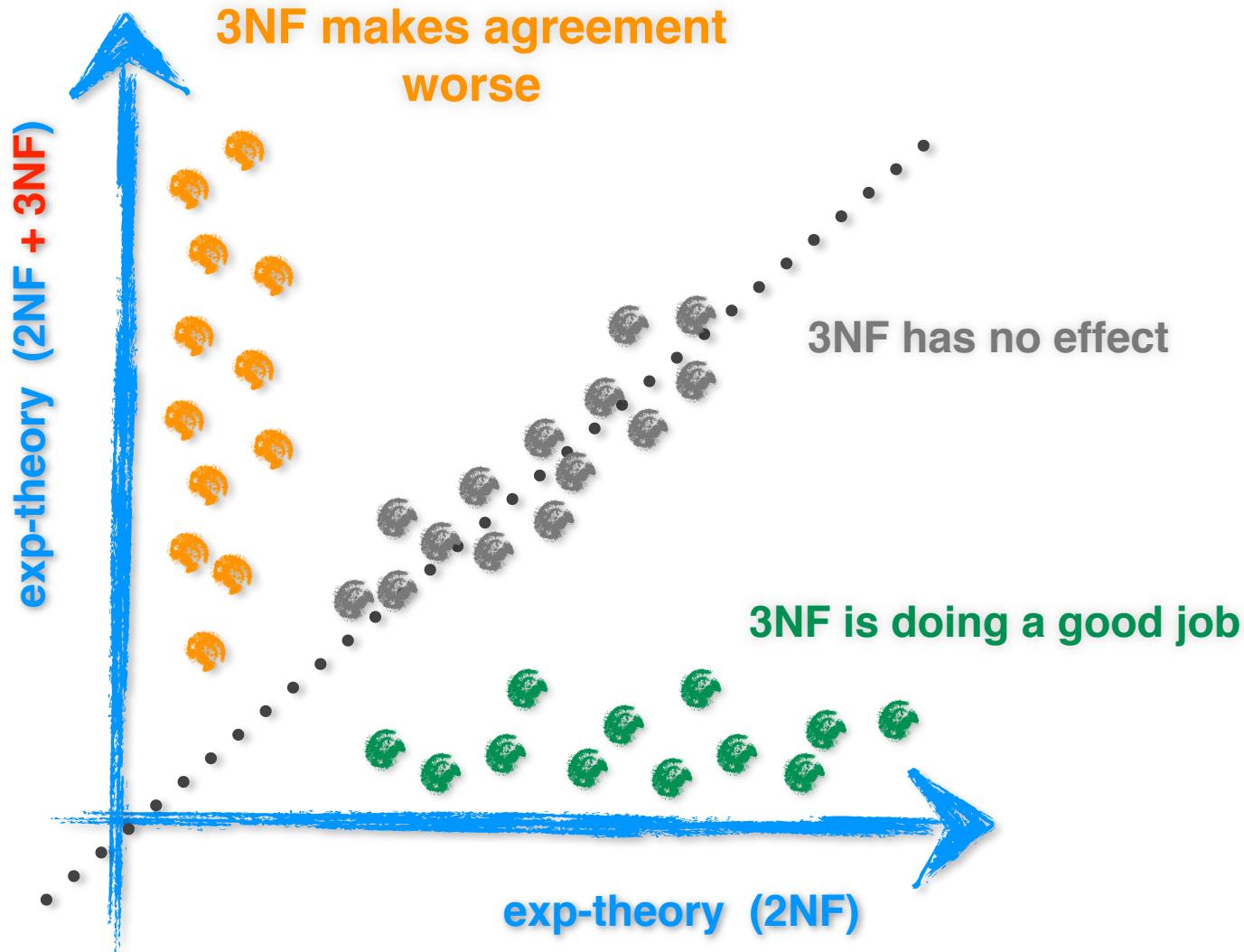
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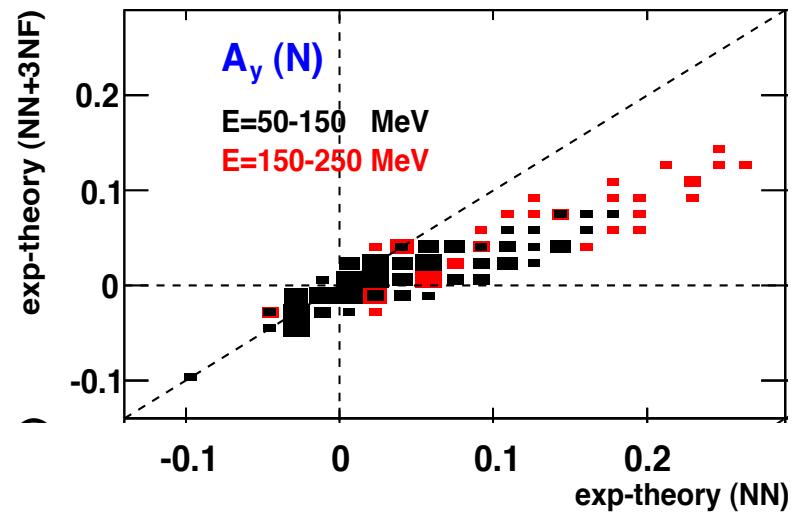
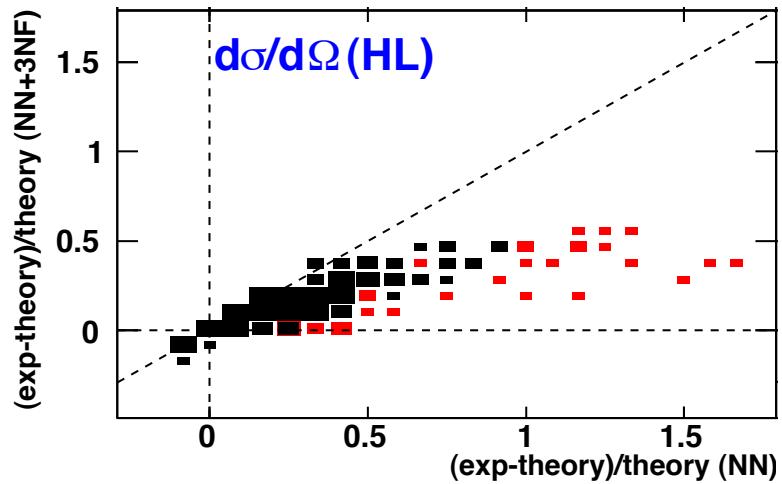
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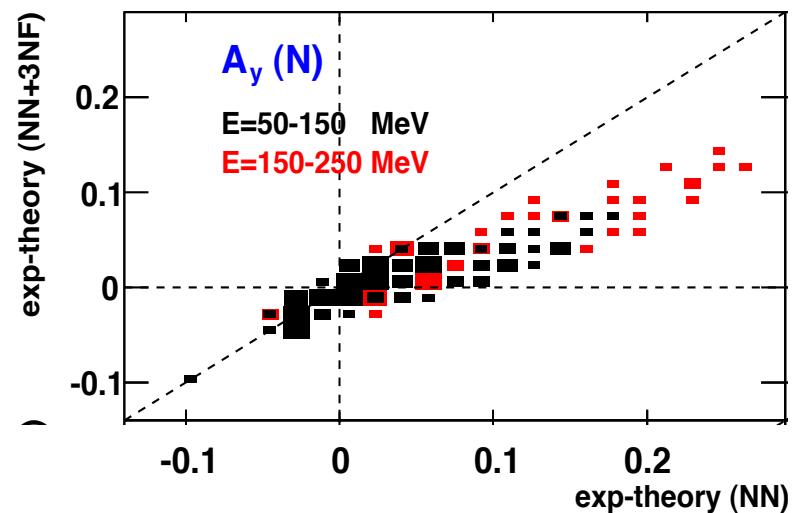
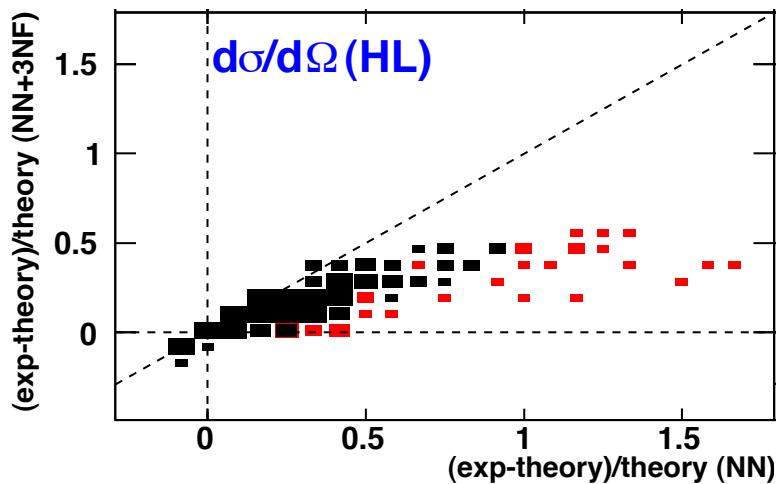
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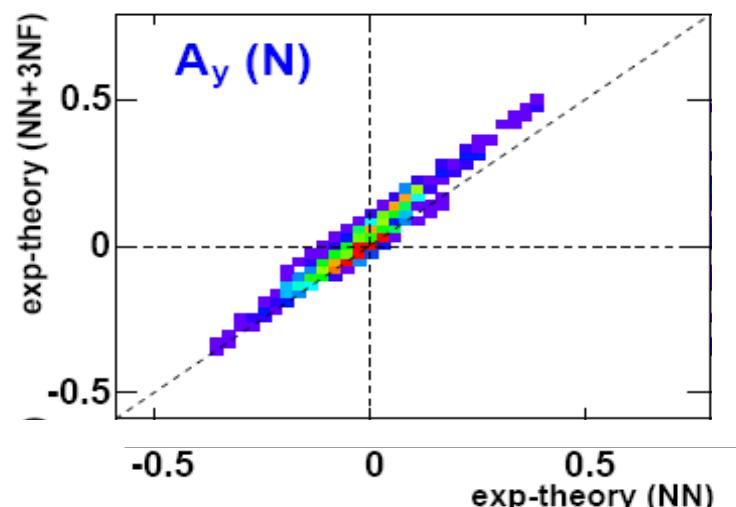
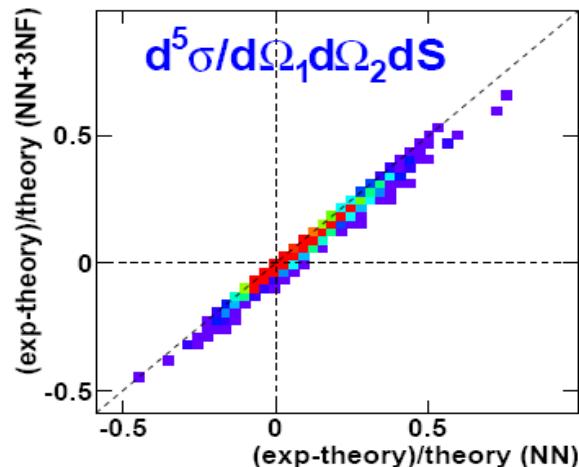
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Deuteron breakup reaction



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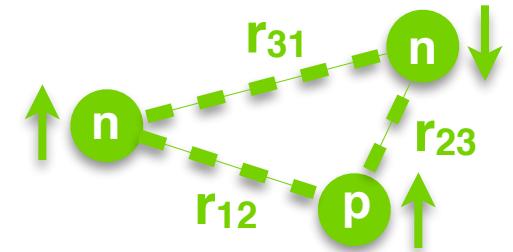
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Most general structure of a local, isospin-symmetric 3NF

Krebs, Gasparyan, EE '13; Phillips, Schat '13; EE, Gasparyan, Krebs, Schat, in preparation

Generators \mathcal{G} in momentum space	Generators $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$ in coordinate space
$\mathcal{G}_1 = 1$	$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_1 = 1$
$\mathcal{G}_2 = \boldsymbol{\tau}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_3$	$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_2 = \boldsymbol{\tau}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_3$
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Assuming hermiticity, time reversal & parity invariance,
20 structure functions are needed:

$$V(r_{12}, r_{23}, r_{31}) = \sum_{i=1}^{20} \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i F_i(r_{12}, r_{23}, r_{31}) + \text{permutations}$$

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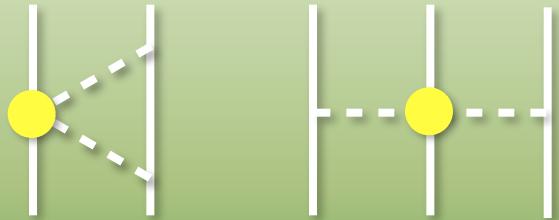
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Phenomenological modeling seems not feasible!

Need a theoretical approach which would:

- **be based on QCD,**
- **yield consistent many-body forces,**
- **be systematically improvable,**
- **allow for error estimation**

→ **Chiral Effective Field Theory**



Chiral dynamics and the pion-nucleon system

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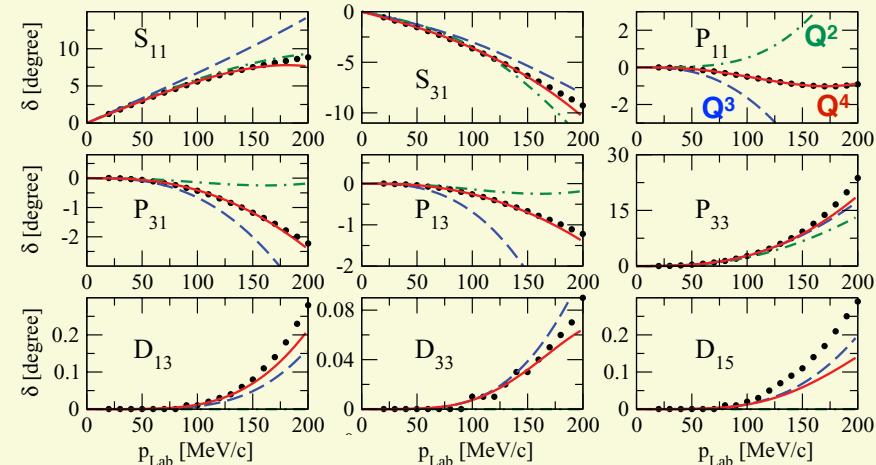
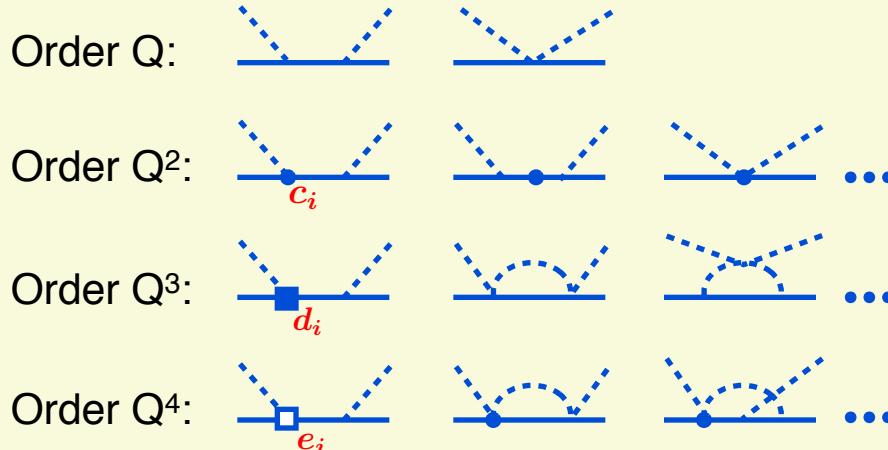
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Pion-nucleon scattering up to Q^4 in heavy-baryon ChPT

Fettes, Meißner '00; Krebs, Gasparyan, EE '12



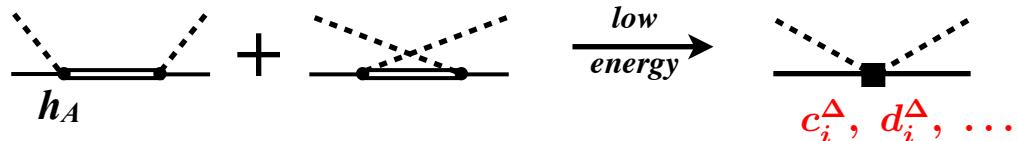
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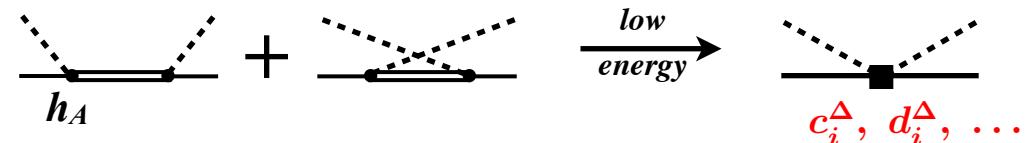
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LECs from pion-nucleon scattering (HB ChPT) in units of GeV^{-n}

Krebs, Gasparyan, EE, to appear; similar results found by Fettes, Mei\ss{}ner; Büttiker, Mei\ss{}ner, ...

	c_1	c_2	c_3	c_4	$\bar{d}_1 + \bar{d}_2$	\bar{d}_3	\bar{d}_5	$\bar{d}_{14} - \bar{d}_{15}$	\bar{e}_{14}	\bar{e}_{15}	\bar{e}_{16}	\bar{e}_{17}	\bar{e}_{18}
Δ -less approach	-0.75	3.49	-4.77	3.34	6.21	-6.83	0.78	-12.02	1.52	-10.41	6.08	-0.37	3.26
Δ -full approach	-0.95	1.90	-1.78	1.50	2.40	-3.87	1.21	-5.25	-0.24	-6.35	2.34	-0.39	2.81
Δ -contribution	0	2.81	-2.81	1.40	2.39	-2.39	0	-4.77	1.87	-4.15	4.15	-0.17	1.32

The hope: LECs of a more natural size \rightarrow better convergence of the EFT expansion...

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ChPT, DOF: π, N

Expansion in $q \in \left(\frac{M_\pi}{\Lambda_\chi}, \frac{p_i}{\Lambda_\chi} \right)$

😊 simple, smaller number of LECs

😢 certain LECs are unnaturally large

$$c_2 = -2.8, c_3 = -3.9, c_4 = 2.9 \text{ [GeV}^{-1}\text{]}$$

→ (sometimes) slow convergence...

ChPT mit Δ , DOF: π, N, Δ

Expansion in: $\epsilon \in \left(\frac{M_\pi}{\Lambda_\chi}, \frac{p_i}{\Lambda_\chi}, \frac{m_\Delta - m_N}{\Lambda_\chi} \right)$

😢 more LECs, considerably more extensive

$$S^{\mu\nu}(p) = \frac{p + m_\Delta}{p^2 - m_\Delta^2} \left(-g^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{3} \gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu + \frac{1}{3m_\Delta} (\gamma^\mu p^\nu - \gamma^\nu p^\mu) + \frac{2}{3m_\Delta^2} p^\mu p^\nu \right)$$

😊 more natural LECs, e.g.

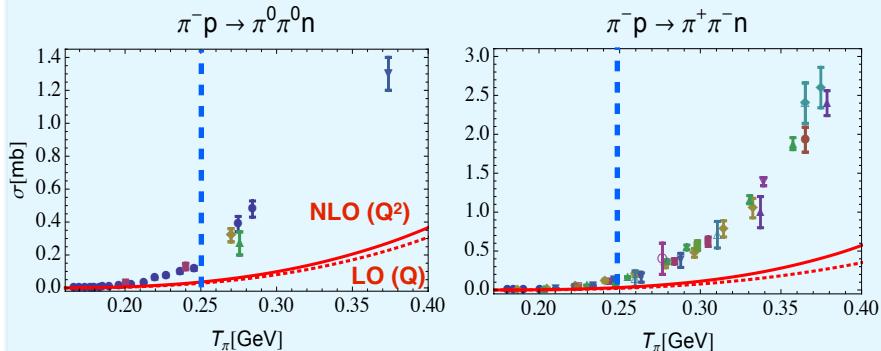
$$c_2 = -0.3, c_3 = -0.8, c_4 = 1.3 \text{ [GeV}^{-1}\text{]}$$

→ expect faster convergence

The reaction $\pi N \rightarrow \pi\pi N$

Siemens, Bernard, EE, Krebs, Meißner '14

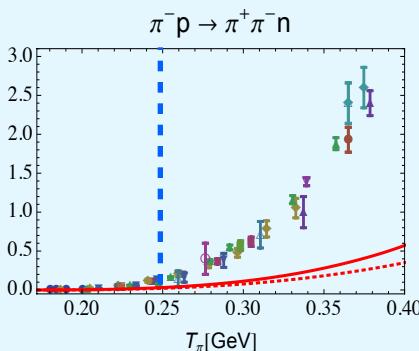
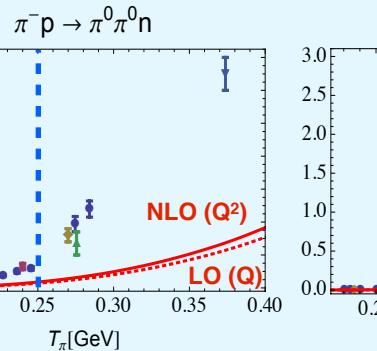
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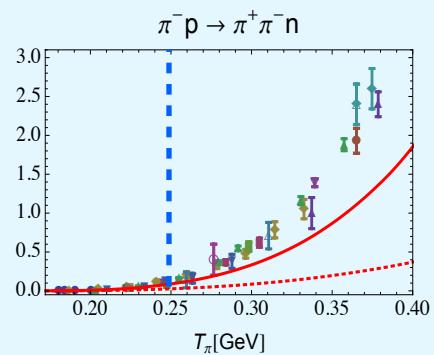
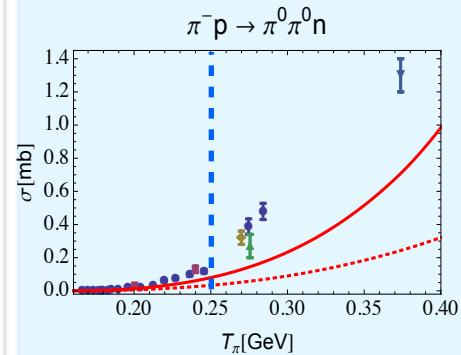
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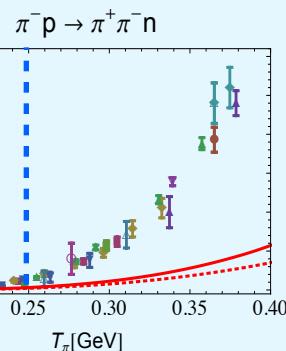
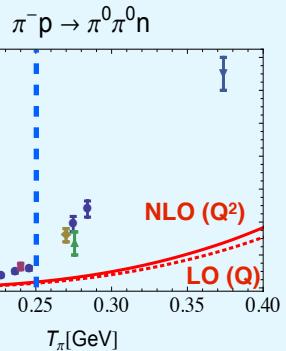
Covariant ChPT



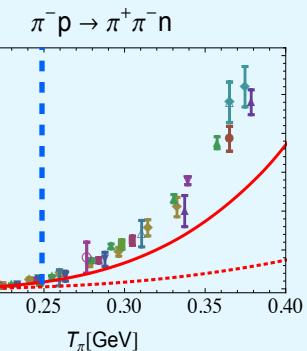
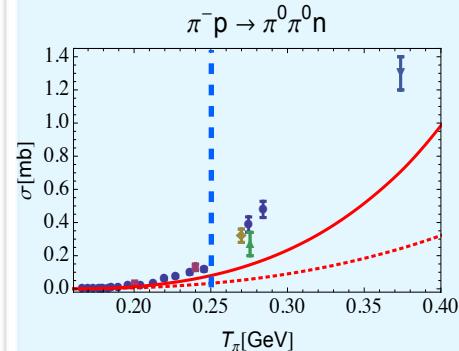
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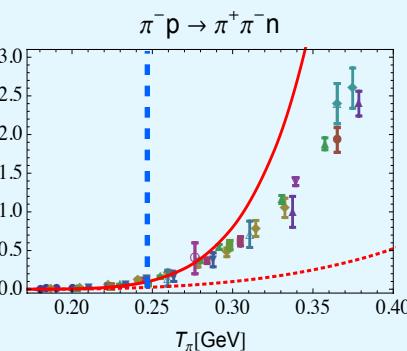
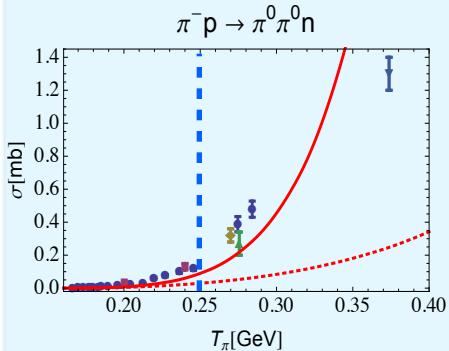
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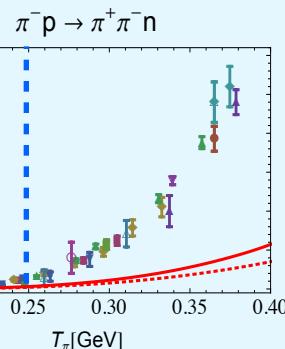
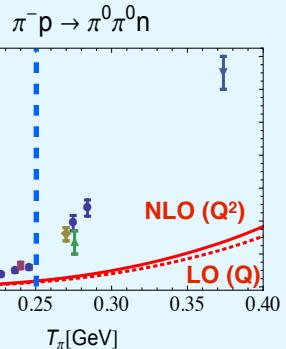
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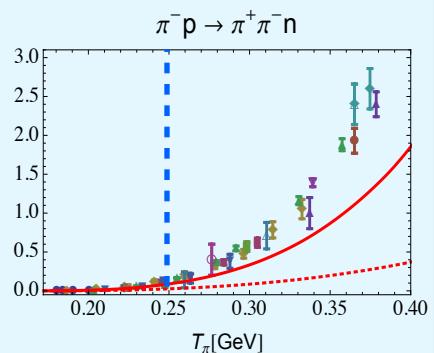
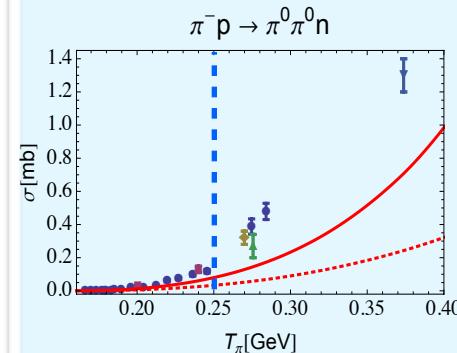
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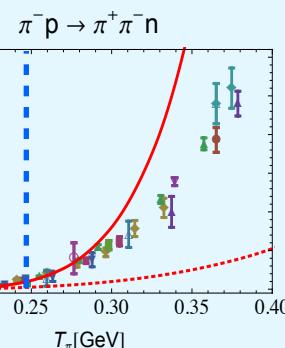
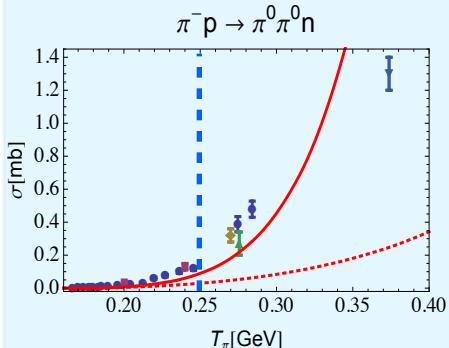
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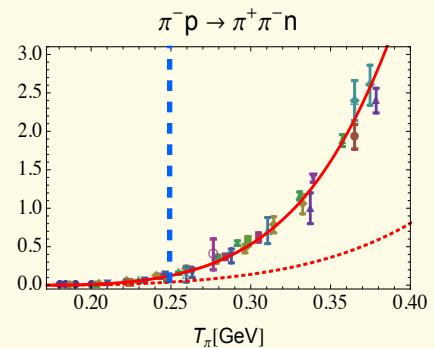
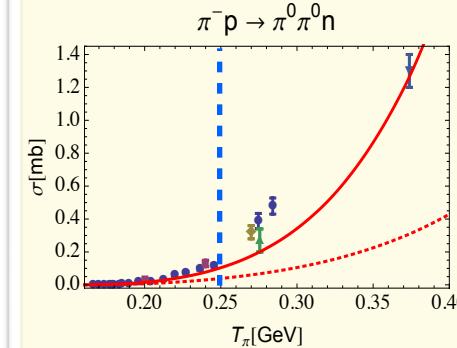
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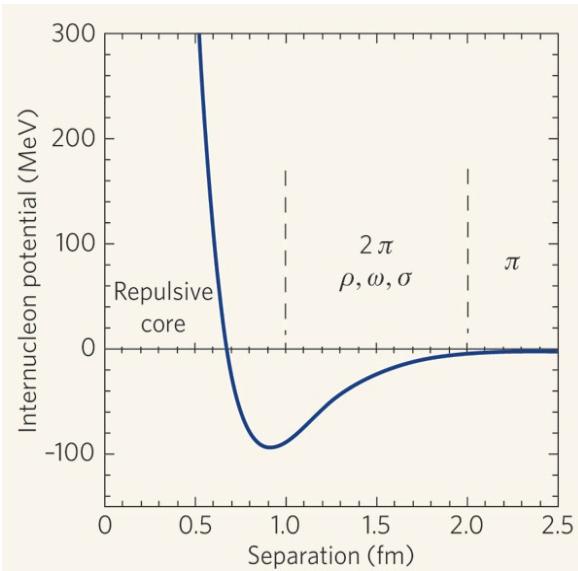


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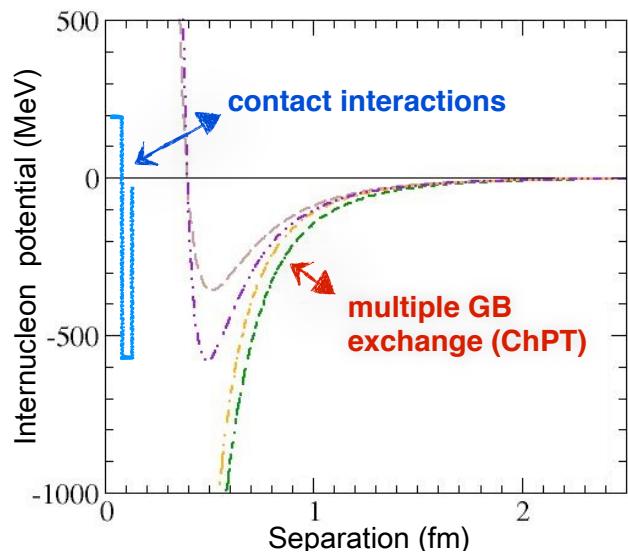


Chiral dynamics and nuclear forces

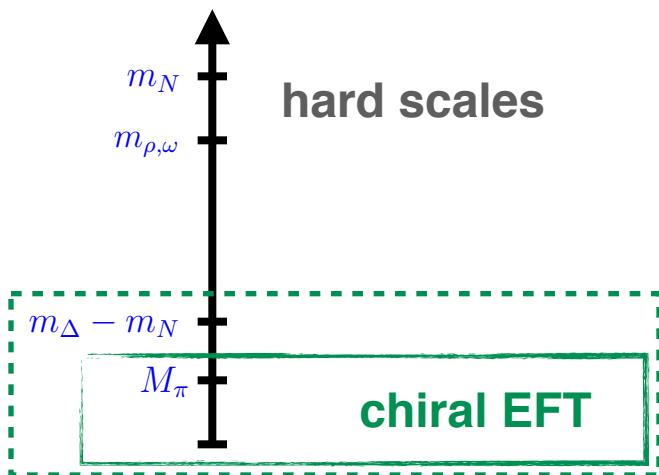
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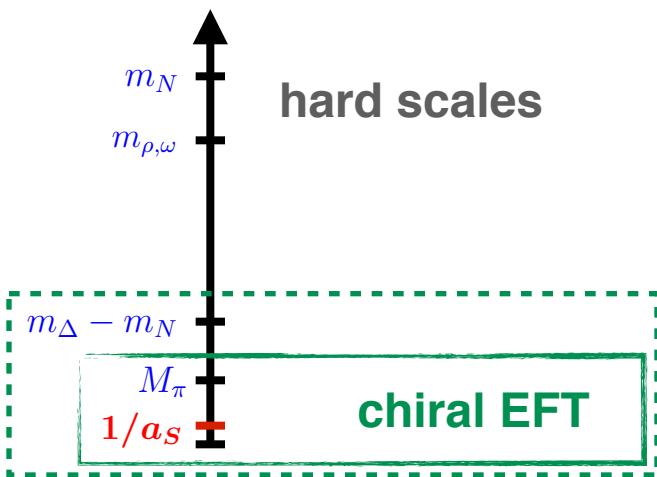
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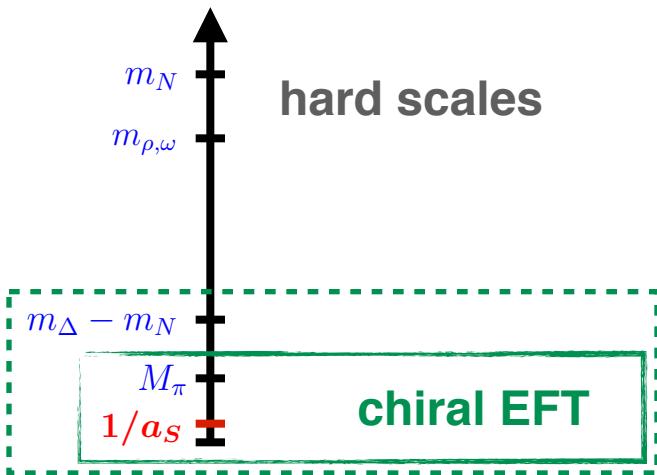


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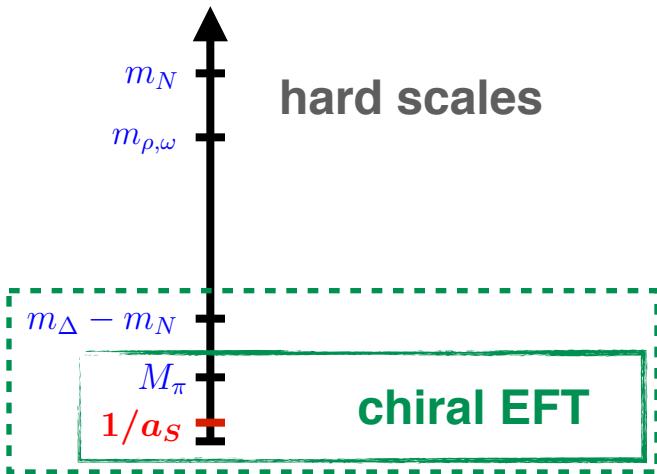
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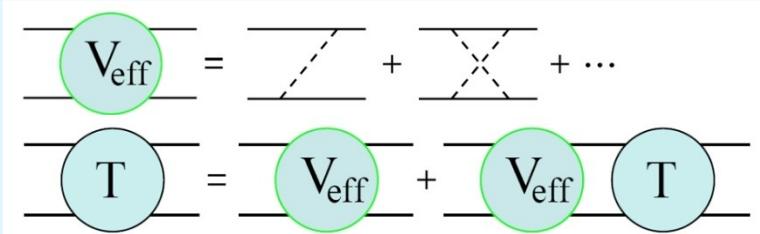
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Weinberg, van Kolck, EE, Glöckle, Meißner, Machleidt, Entem...

- Schrödinger equation for nucleons interacting via contact forces and long-range potentials (pion exchanges)

$$\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^A \frac{-\vec{\nabla}_i^2}{2m_N} + \mathcal{O}(m_N^{-3}) \right) + \underbrace{V_{2N} + V_{3N} + V_{4N} + \dots}_{\text{derived in ChPT}} \right] |\Psi\rangle = E|\Psi\rangle$$



- access to heavier nuclei (ab initio few-/many-body methods)

Chiral expansion of nuclear forces

	Two-nucleon force	Three-nucleon force	Four-nucleon force
LO (Q^0)			
NLO (Q^2)			
$N^2LO (Q^3)$			
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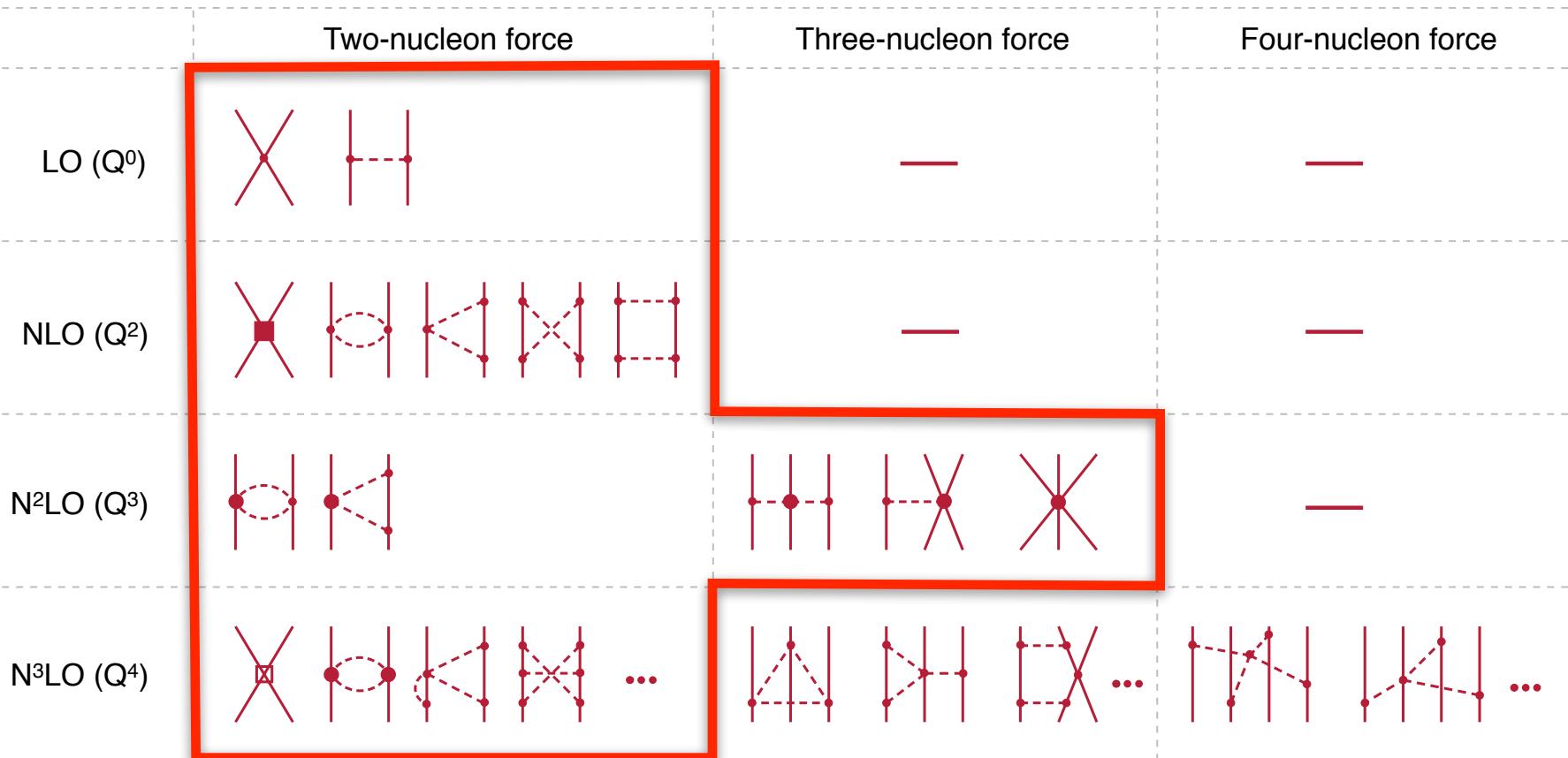
2N force: accurate N^3LO potentials are available [Entem-Machleidt '03; EE-Glöckle-Meißner '04](#)

3N force: N^2LO 3NF included in most calculations

N^3LO 3NF worked out [Bernard, EE, Krebs Mei  ner '08,'11](#); (probably) not yet converged → higher orders
numerical PWD developed [Golak, Skibinski, Krebs, Hebeler, ...](#), first results available [Witala et al.'13](#)

4N force: leading (i.e. N^3LO) terms worked out [EE '06](#); contrib. to ${}^4\text{He}$ BE ~ few 100 keV [Rospedzik et al. '06](#)

Chiral expansion of nuclear forces



The „standard“ nuclear chiral Hamiltonian has been extensively tested in few- and many-body systems

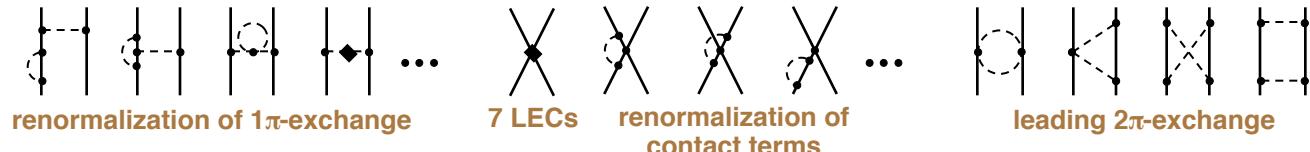
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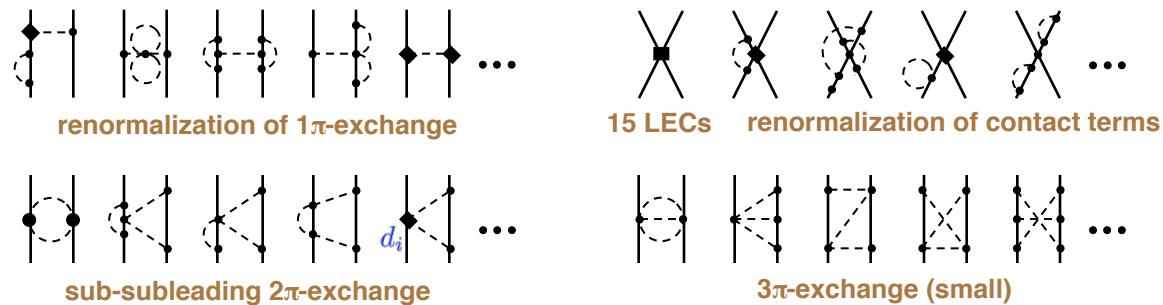
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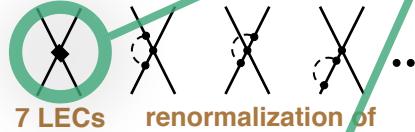


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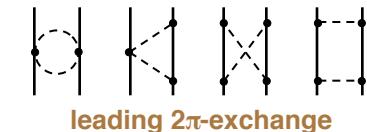
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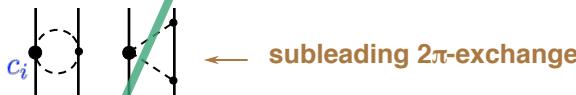


leading 2 π -exchange

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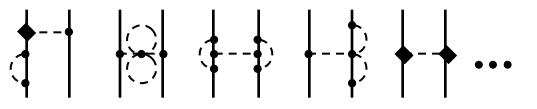


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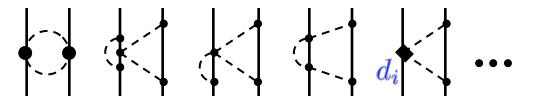


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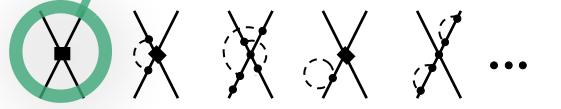
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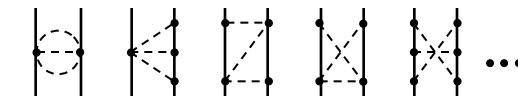
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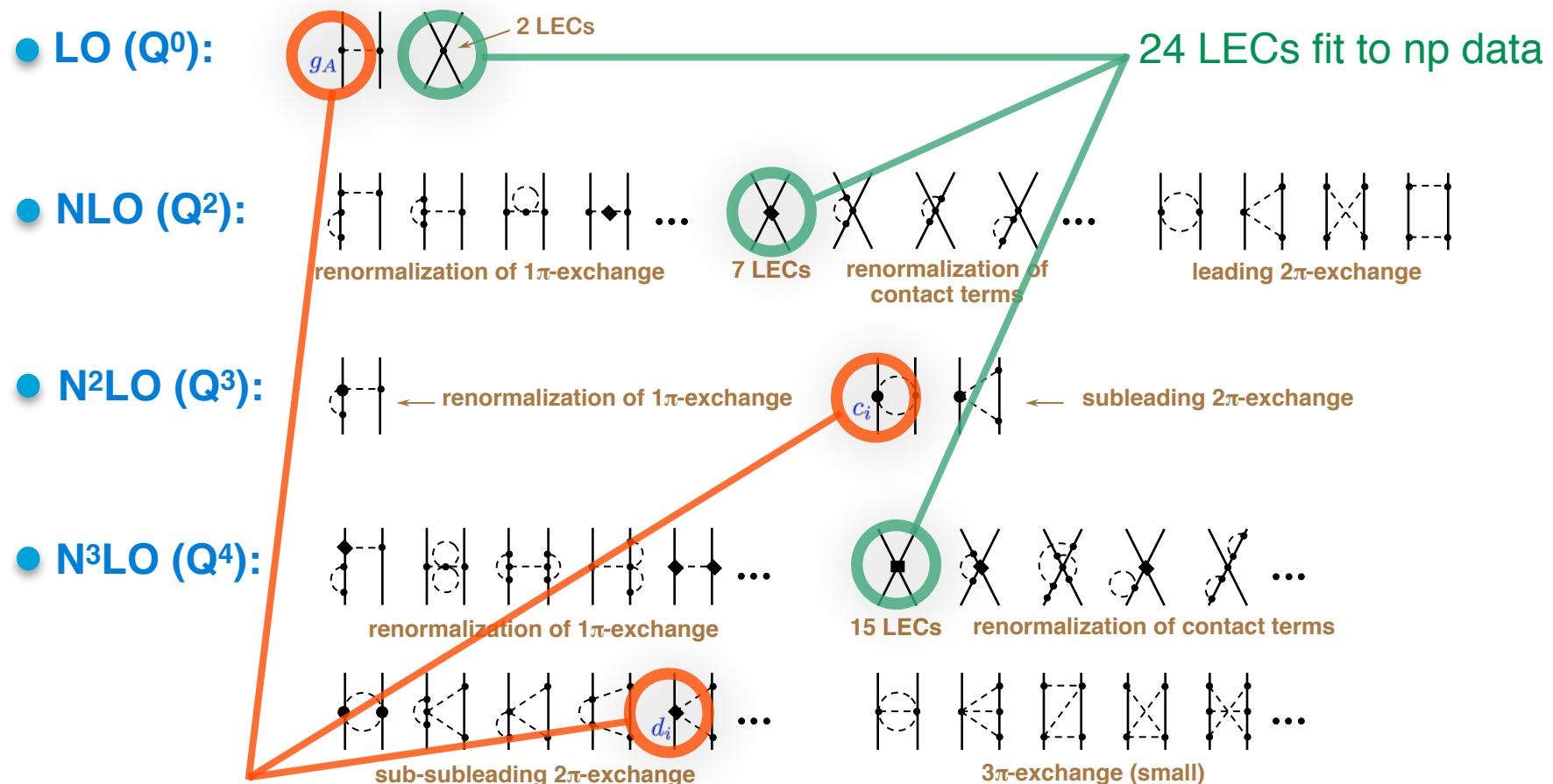
3 π -exchange (small)

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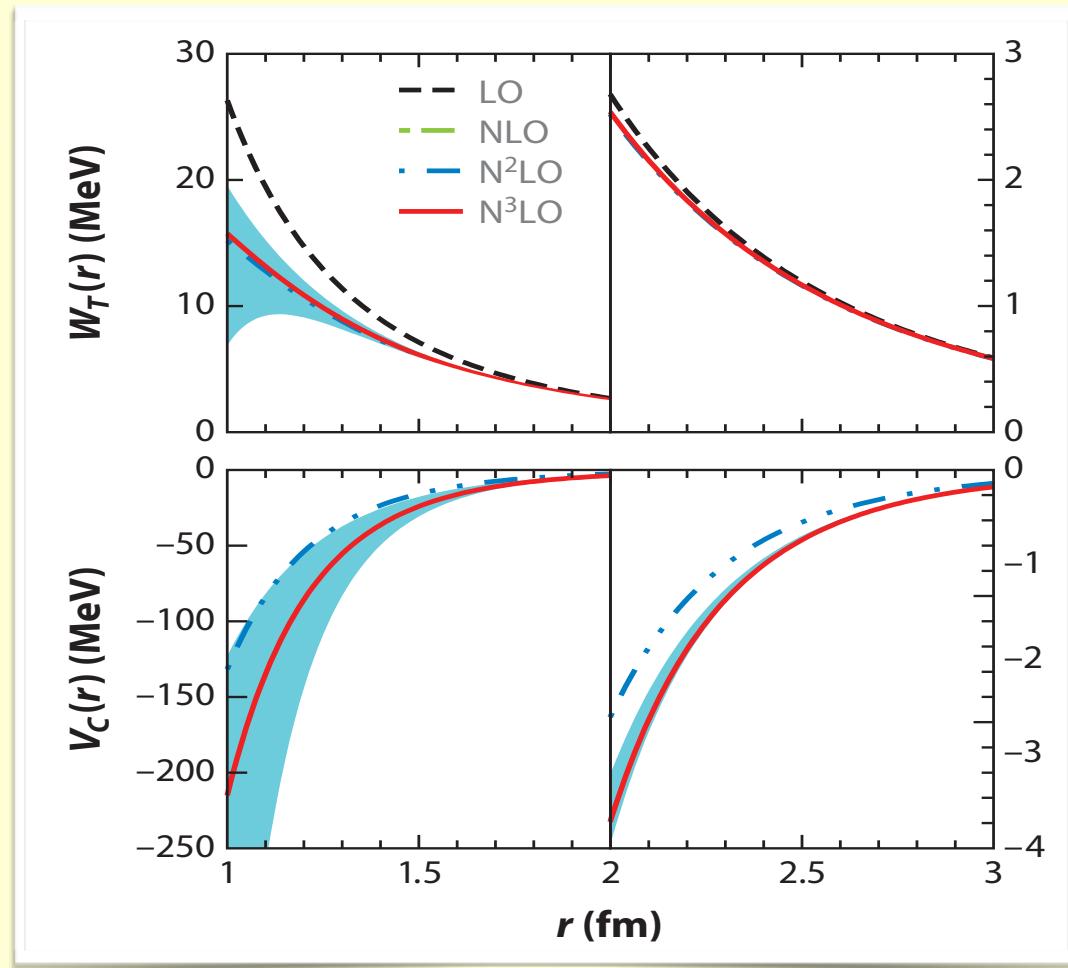
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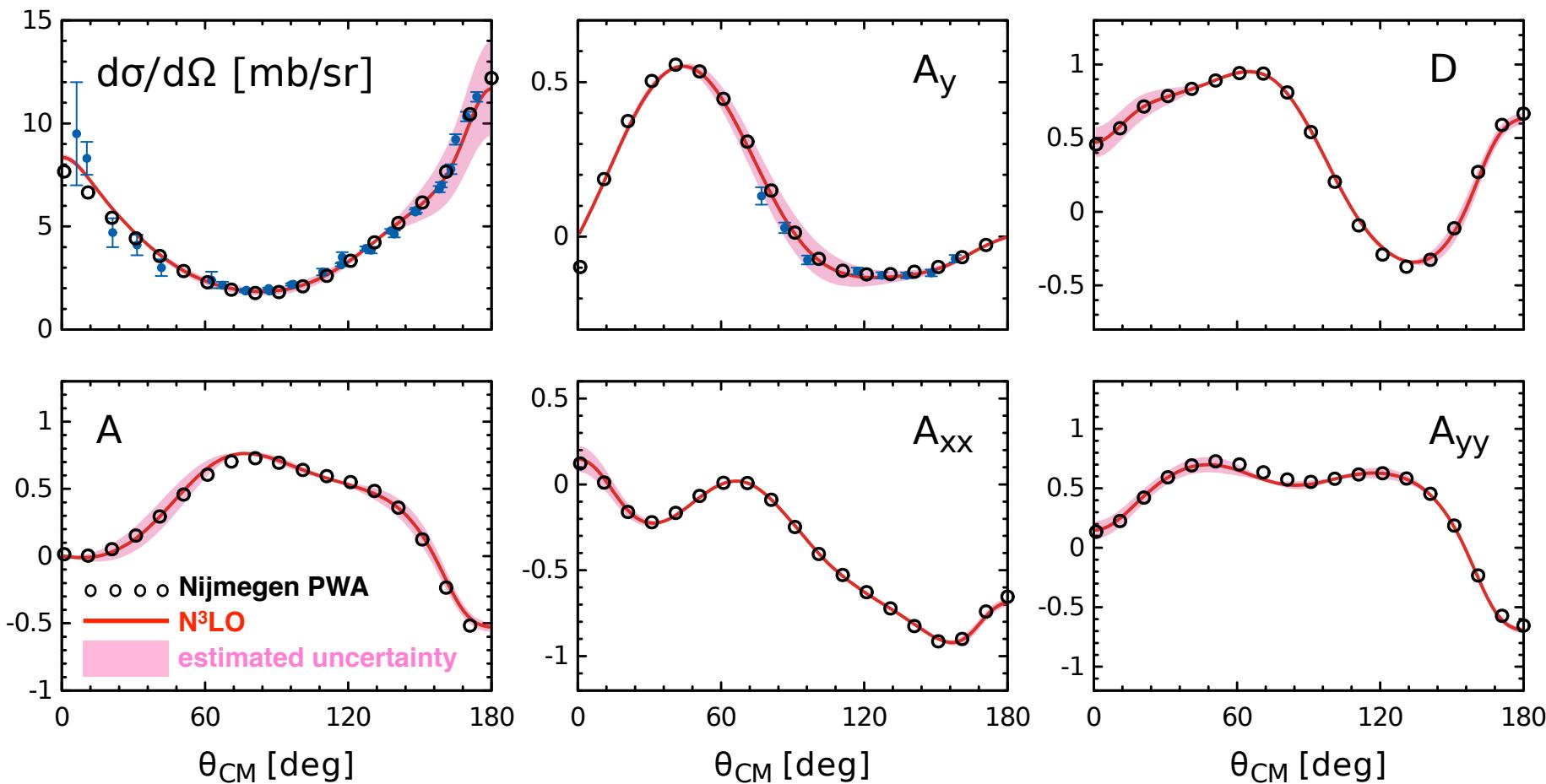


Effects of the chiral
 2π exchange are
clearly visible in
NN phases

Rentmeester et al.'99, '03
Birse, McGovern '06

Nucleon-nucleon scattering

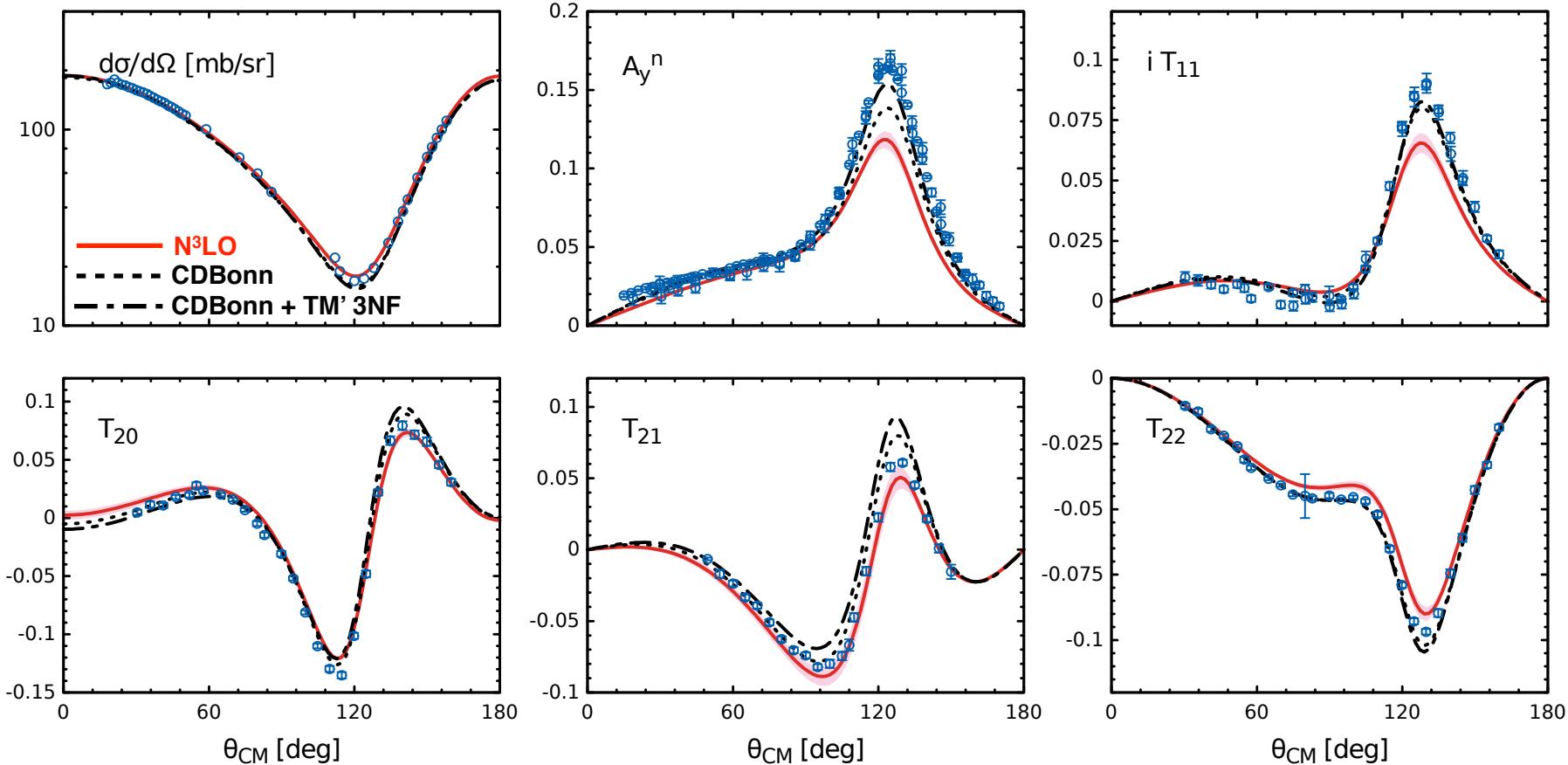
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At N³LO, 2N observables are accurately described up to at least $E_{\text{lab}} \sim 200 \text{ MeV}$

Elastic Nd scattering with N³LO 2NF

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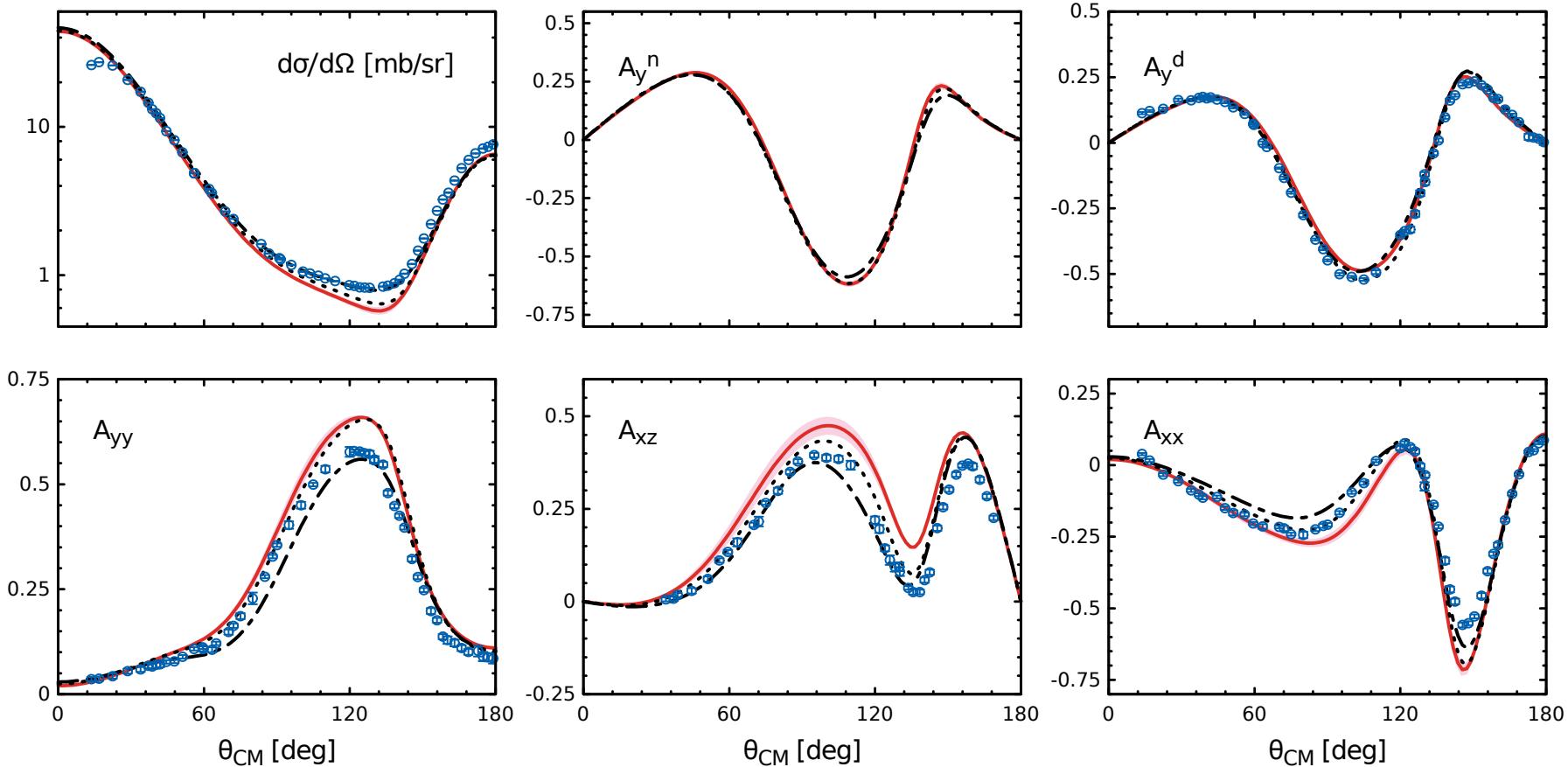


Clear room for 3NF effects in A_y and iT_{11}

Notice: most of the data are Coulomb-corrected pd data

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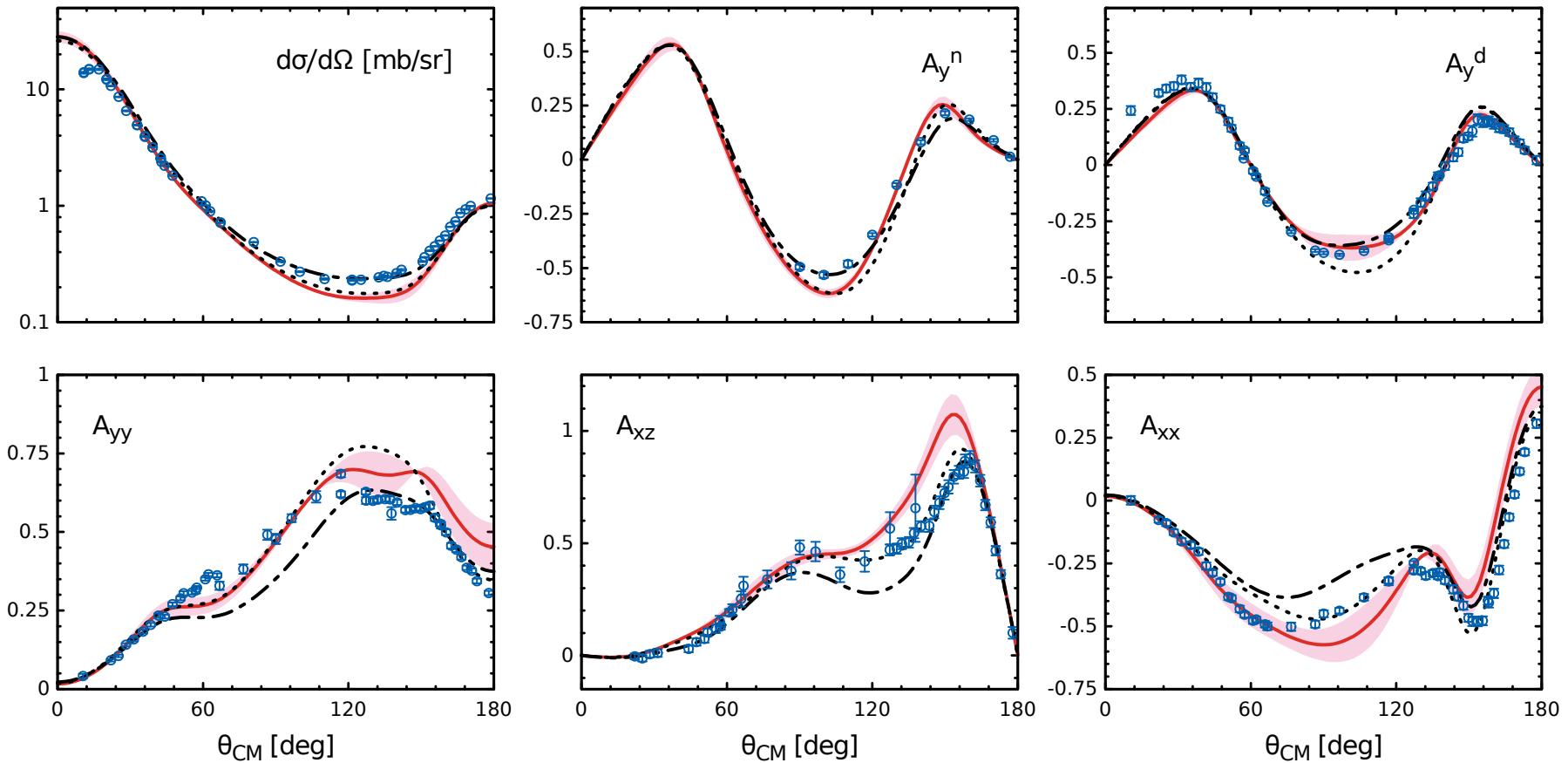
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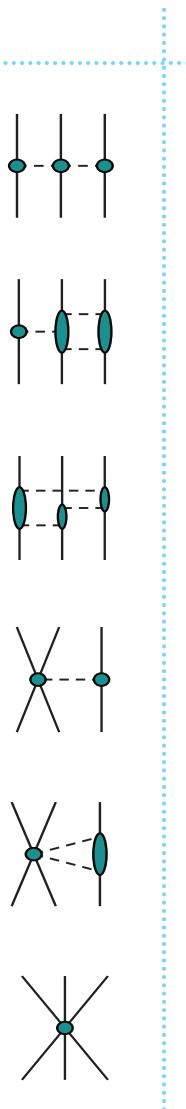
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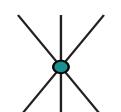
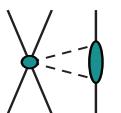
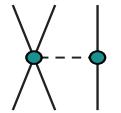
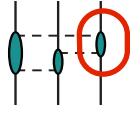
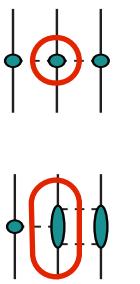
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Three-nucleon force: Status and ongoing developments

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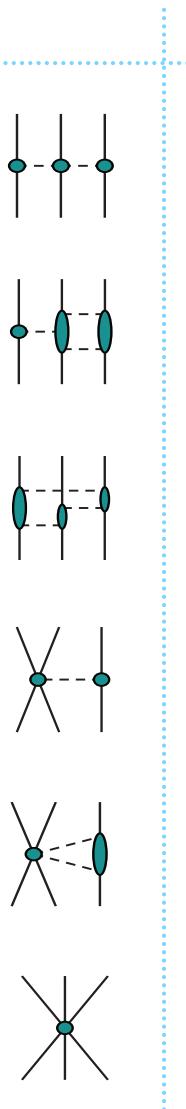


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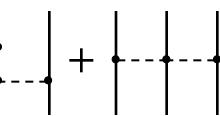
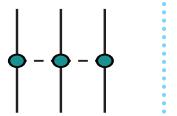
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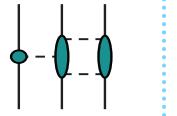


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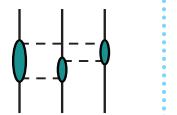
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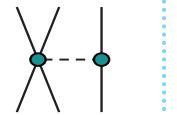
Weinberg '91, van Kolck '94



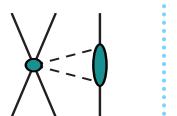
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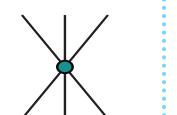
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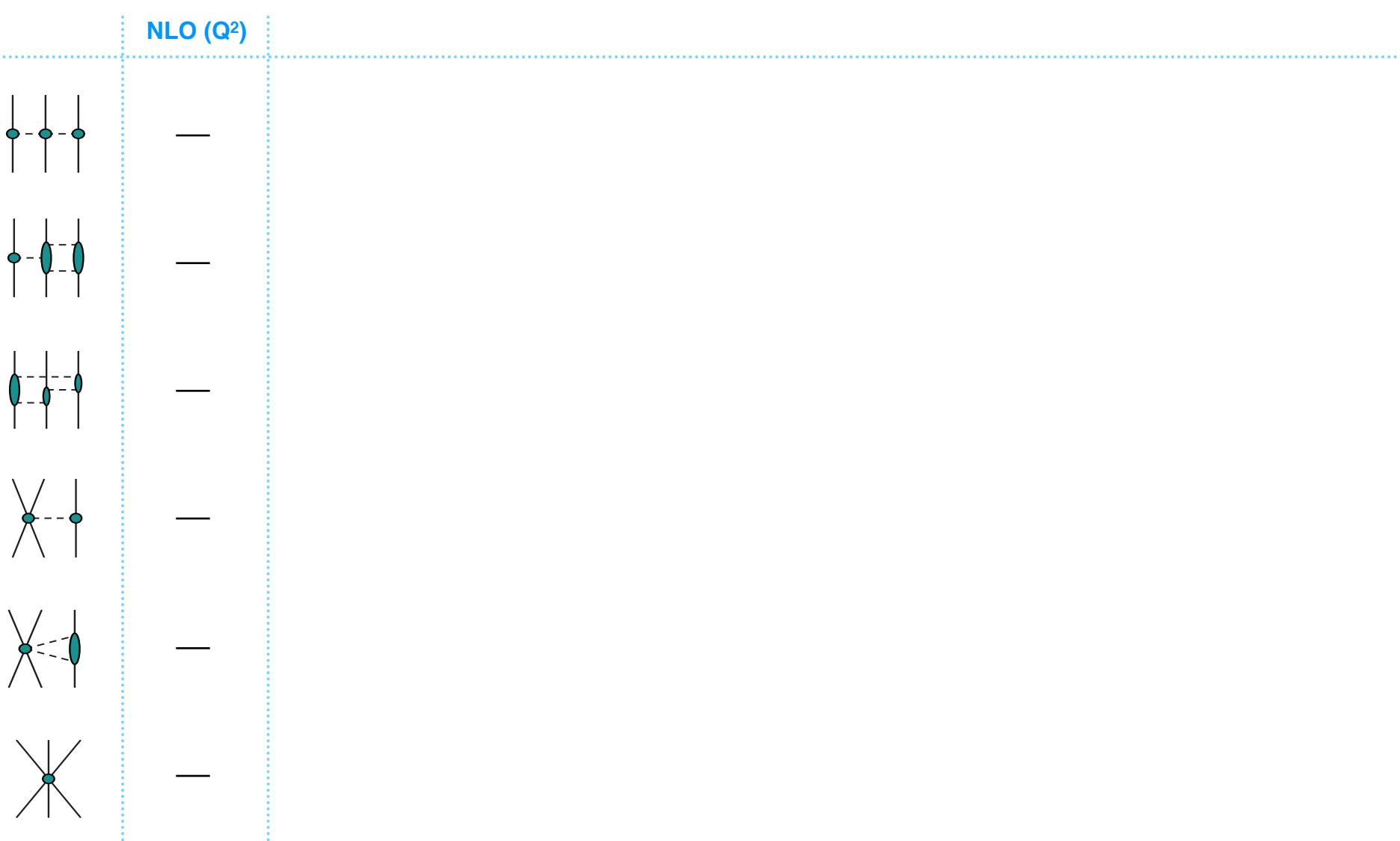
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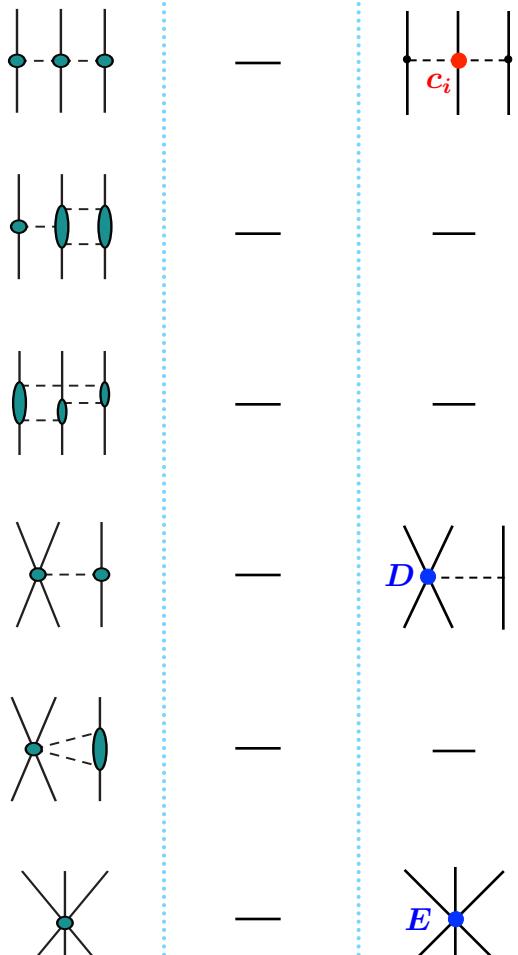
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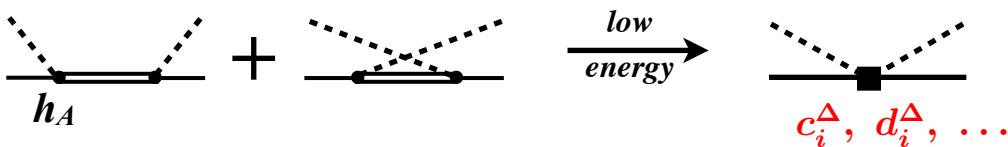
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Notice: c_i receive large $\Delta(1232)$ contributions

Bernard, Kaiser, Meißner '97



$$c_2^\Delta = -c_3^\Delta = 2c_4^\Delta = \frac{4h_A^2}{9(m_\Delta - m_N)} \simeq 2.8 \text{ GeV}^{-1}$$

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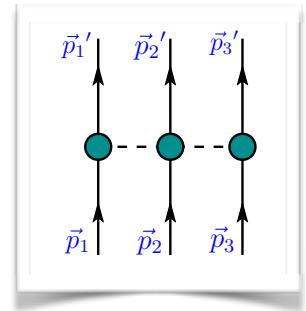
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- long range parameter-free
(after determination of LECs in πN)
- converged?? (graphs $\sim c_i^2, c_i^3 \dots$)

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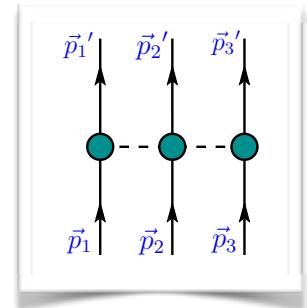


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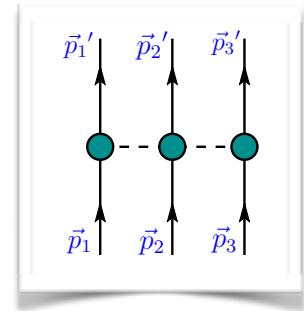
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Ishikawa, Robilotta '07
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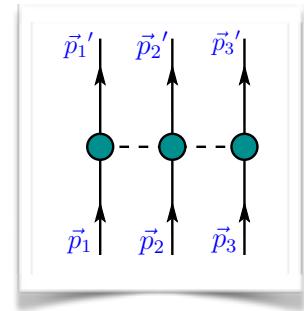
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Krebs, Gasparyan, EE '12

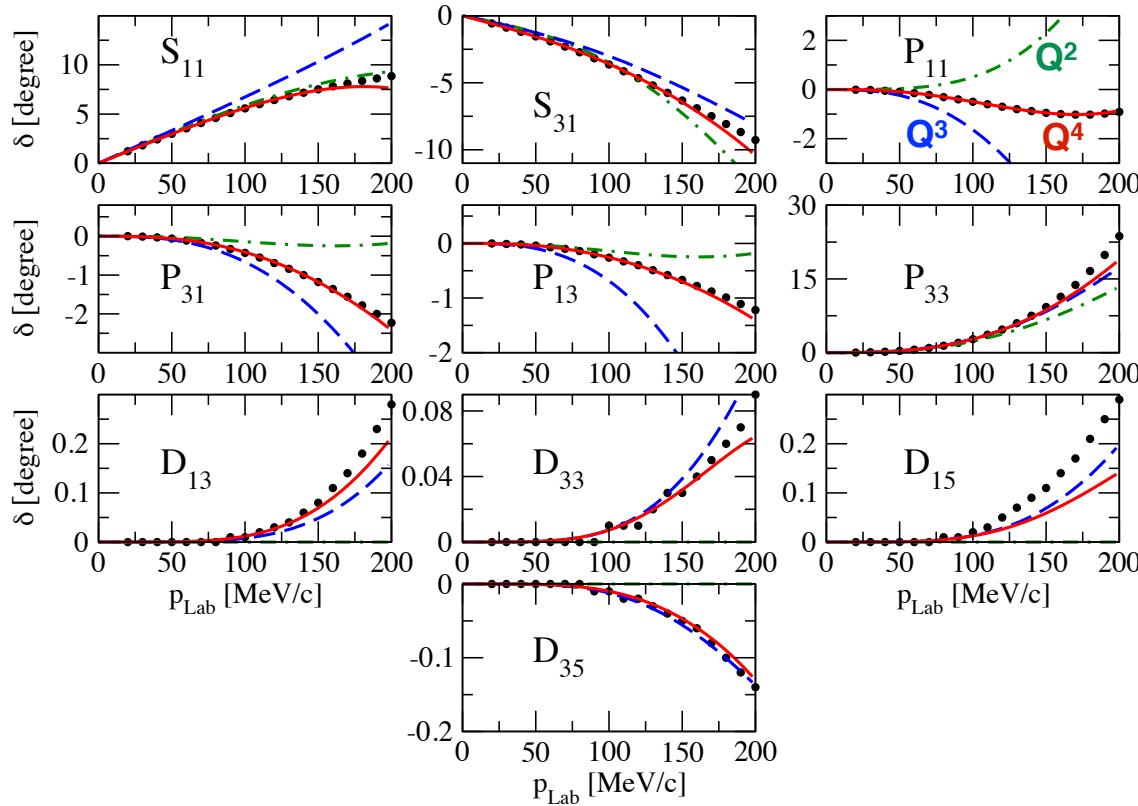
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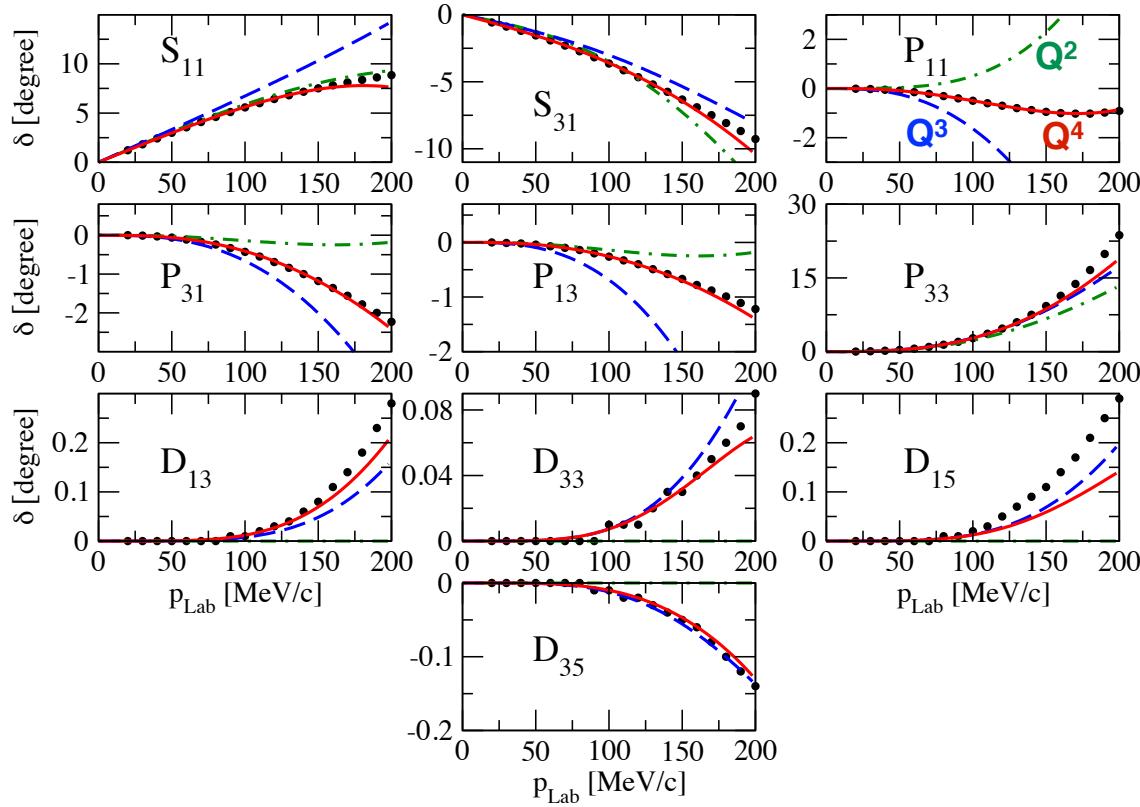
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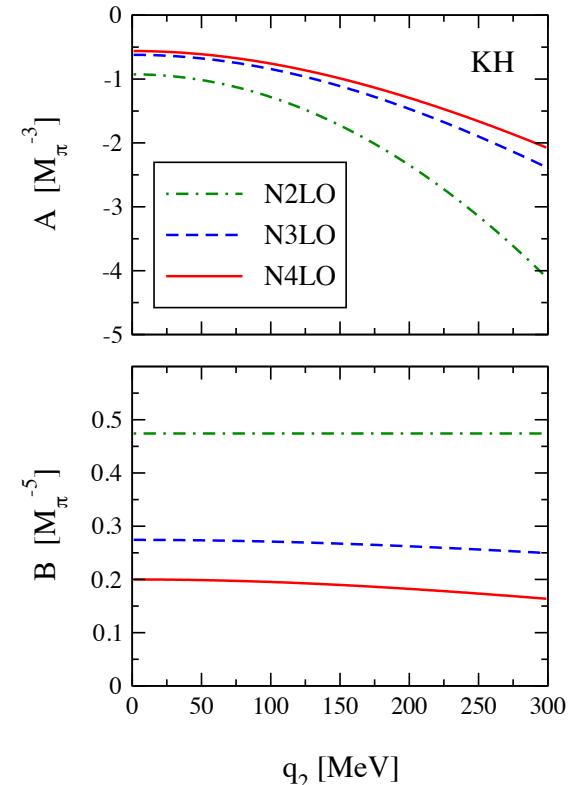
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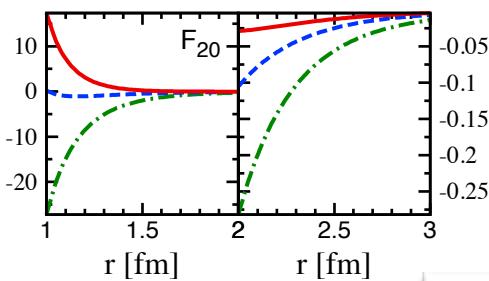
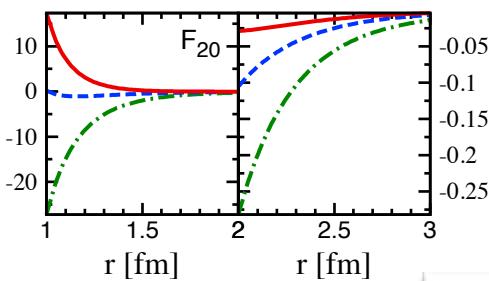
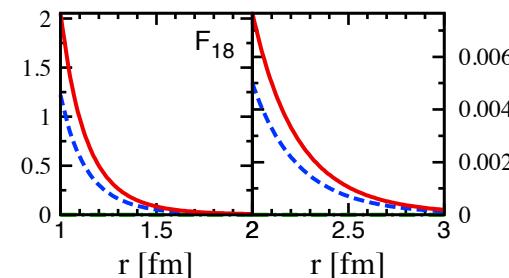
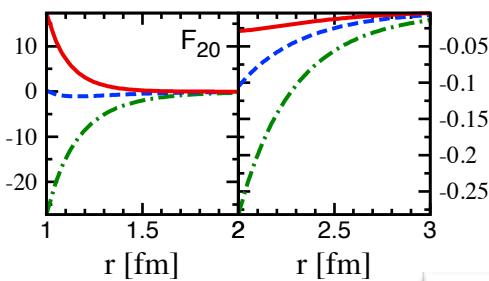
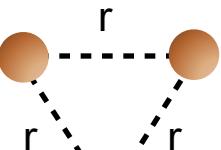
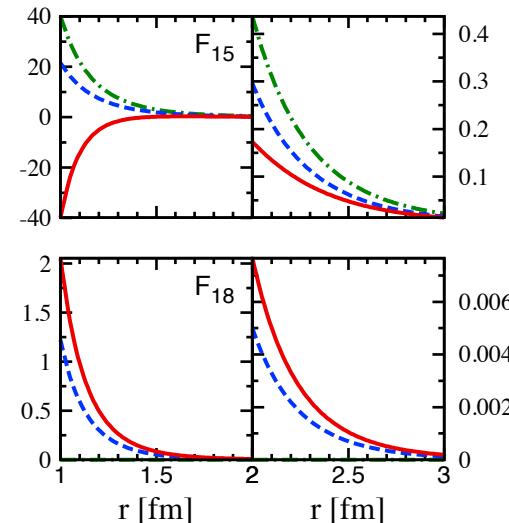
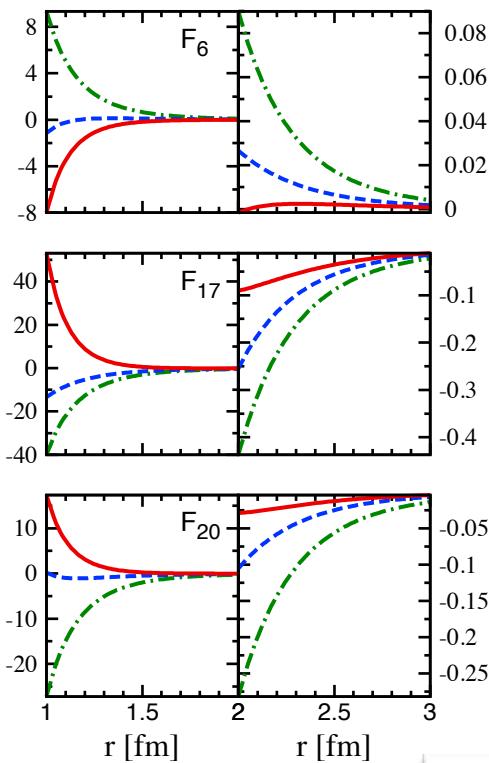
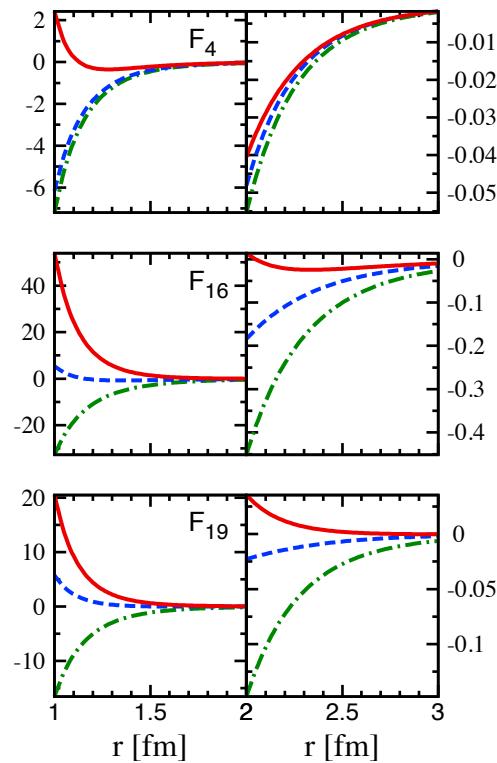
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Long-range 3NF up to N⁴LO (preliminary)

EE, Gasparyan, Krebs, Schat, in preparation

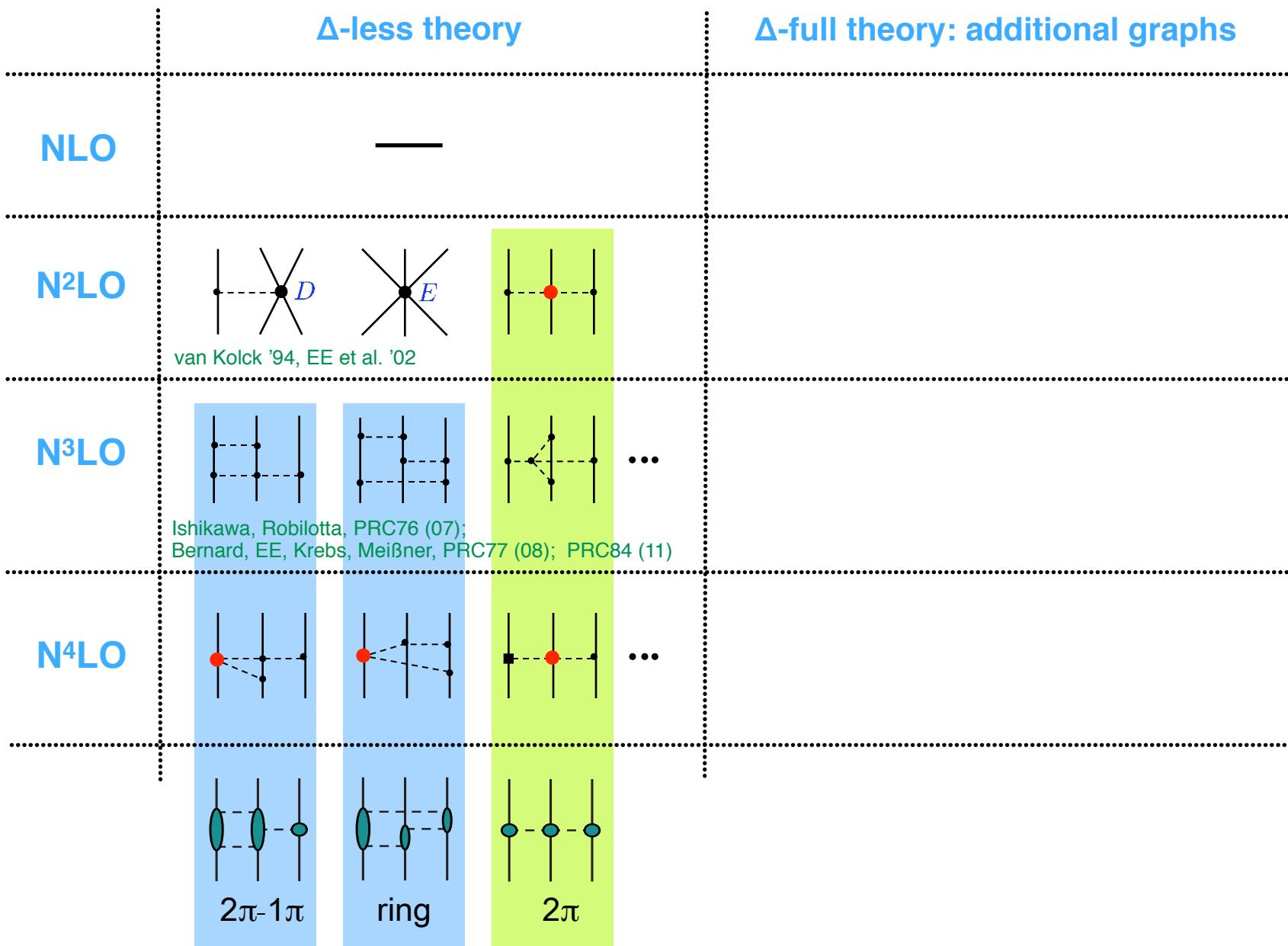
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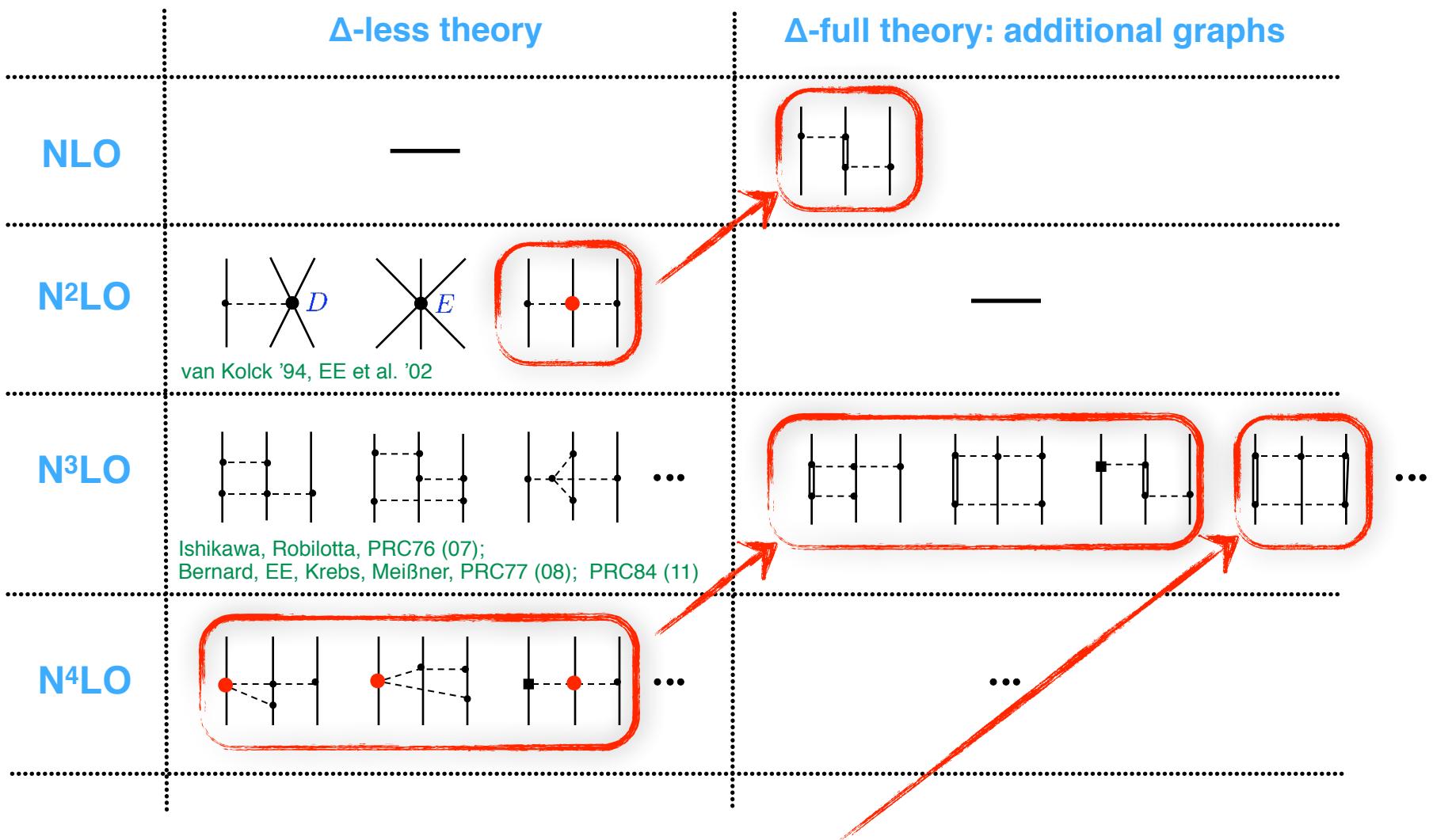
- tree level (N²LO)
- - + N³LO
- + N⁴LO

- 8 structures out of 20
- N⁴LO corrections are large, seem to converge only at very large r

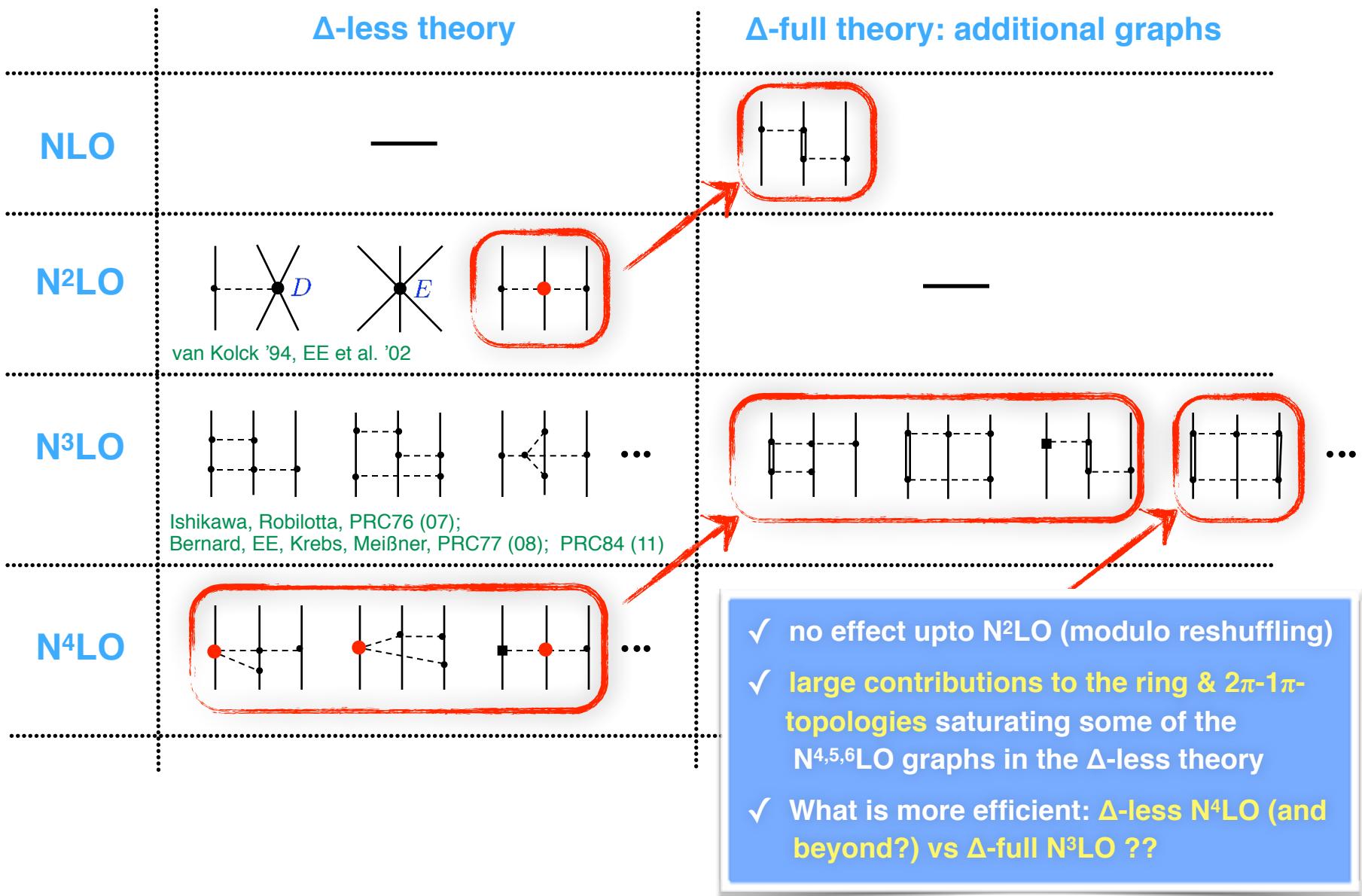
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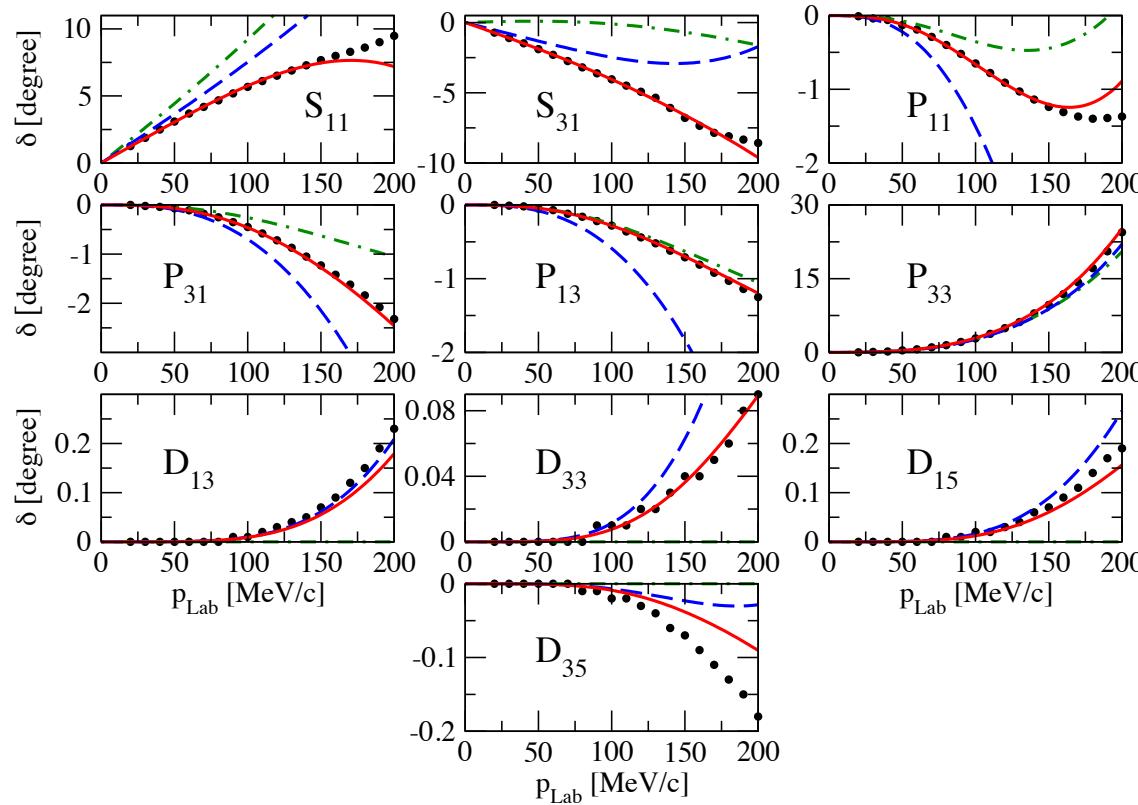
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Pion-nucleon system in Δ -full EFT up to Q^4

Krebs, Gasparyan, EE, to appear

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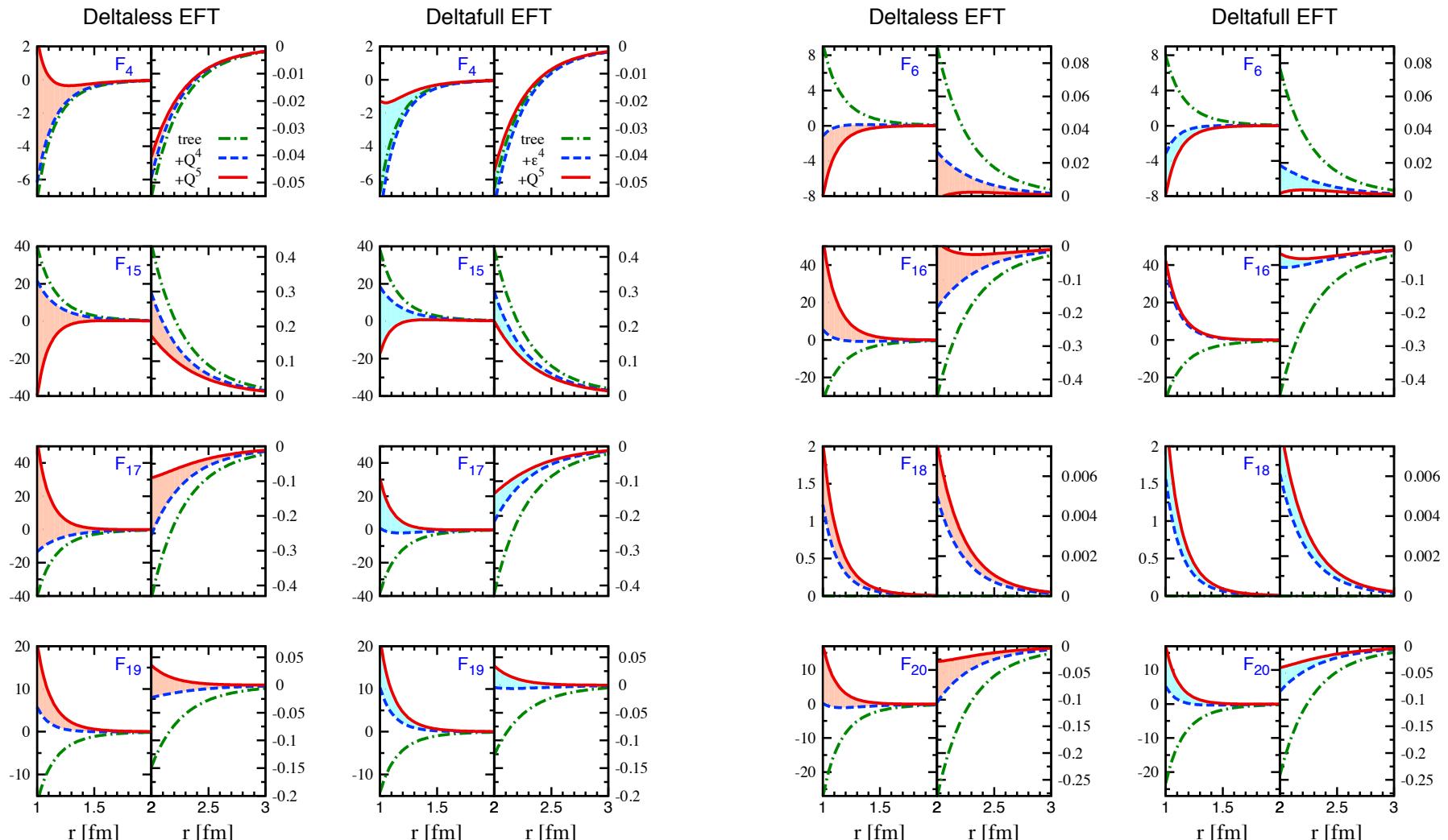


LECs from pion-nucleon scattering (HB ChPT) in units of GeV^{-n} (fit to KH PWA)

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2π -exchange 3NF: Δ -full vs Δ -less EFT

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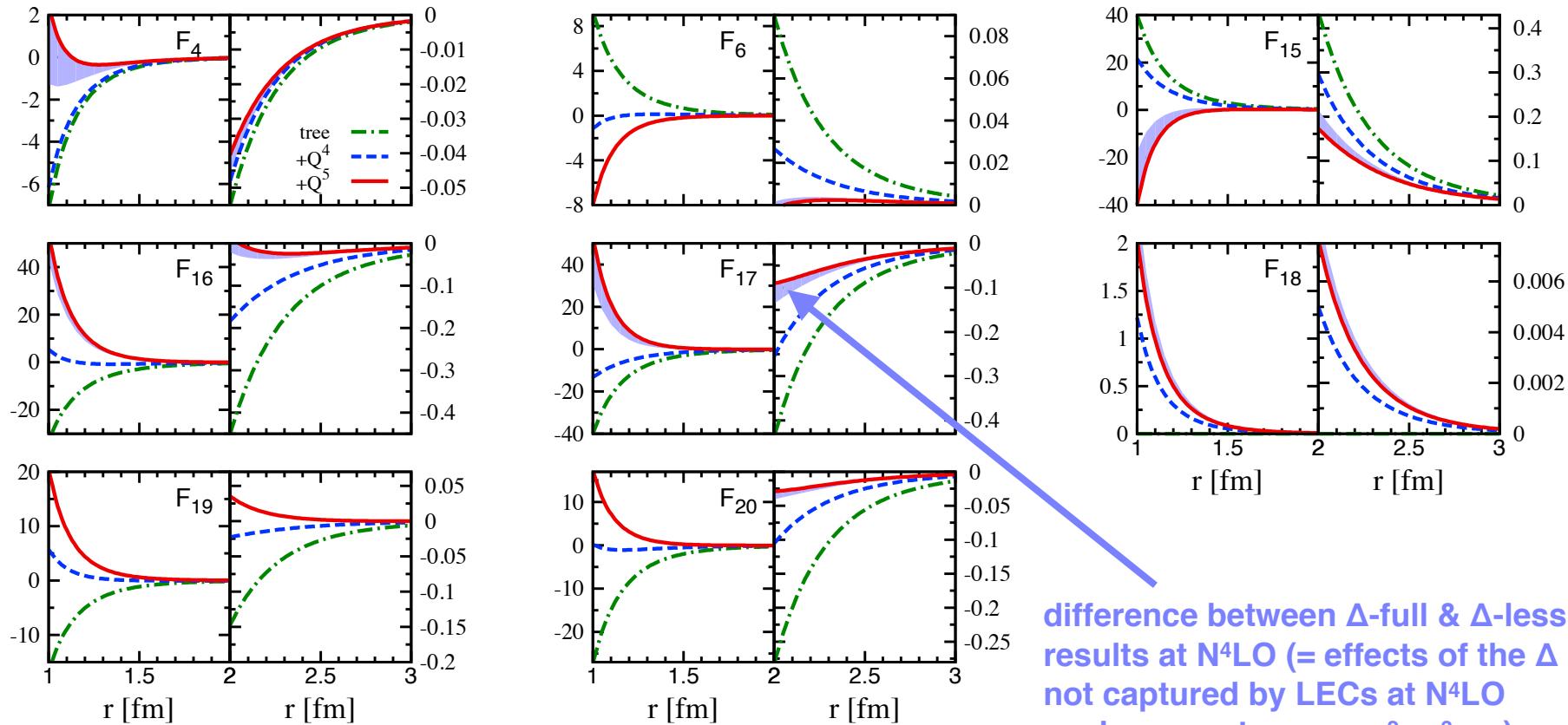


- Δ -full and Δ -less EFT predictions agree well with each other
- Δ -full approach shows clearly a superior convergence
- remarkably, the final 2π 3NF turns out to be rather weak at large distances...

2π -exchange 3NF at N^4LO in Δ -less EFT

Krebs, Gasparyan, EE, to appear

Chiral expansion of TPE „structure functions“ F_i (in MeV) in the equilateral-triangle configuration (Δ -less EFT)



difference between Δ -full & Δ -less
results at N^4LO (= effects of the Δ
not captured by LECs at N^4LO
such as e.g. terms $\sim c_i^2, c_i^3, \dots$)

For intermediate-range topologies, the effects of the Δ appear to be more pronounced (work in progress)

Partial wave decomposition of the 3NF

Low Energy Nuclear Physics International Collaboration (LENPIC)
Bochum-Bonn-Cracow-Darmstadt-Iowa-Jülich-Kyushu-Ohio-Orsay

Faddeev equation is solved in the partial wave basis: $|p, q, \alpha\rangle \equiv |pq(ls)j(\lambda\frac{1}{2})I(jI)JM_J\rangle |(t\frac{1}{2})TM_T\rangle$

Too many terms for doing PWD “manually” → let computer do the job...

Golak et al. EPJA 43 (2010) 241

$$\underbrace{\langle p'q'\alpha'|V|pq\alpha\rangle}_{\text{matrix } \sim 10^5 \times 10^5} = \underbrace{\int d\hat{p}' d\hat{q}' d\hat{p} d\hat{q}}_{\substack{\text{can be reduced} \\ \text{to 5 dim. integral}}} \sum_{m_l, \dots} \left(\text{CG coeffs.} \right) \left(Y_{l,m_l}(\hat{p}) Y_{l',m'_l}(\hat{p}') \dots \right) \underbrace{\langle m'_{s_1} m'_{s_2} m'_{s_3} |V|m_{s_1} m_{s_2} m_{s_3}\rangle}_{\text{depends on } \vec{p}, \vec{q}, \vec{p}', \vec{q}', \text{ spin \& isospin}}$$

→ feasible task but requires a few 10 MCPU hours for the N³LO 3NF...

It is possible to reduce the number of integrations to 2 exploiting locality of the 3NF Krebs, Hebeler

→ no need for supercomputers!

Current status

- PW matrix elements of the 3NF without regulator and with the old nonlocal regulator are available
- PWD of r-space regularized 3NF consistent with the new **i_{chiral}-potential** in progress

Summary and outlook

Improved chiral NN potential up to N³LO

- Better performance at high energies, no fine tuning in πN LECs, no need for additional spectral function regularization, careful error estimation...
- Application to elastic Nd scattering shows clearly the need for 3NF (most striking at energies of $E_{\text{lab}} \sim 70 \dots 150$ MeV)

Chiral three-nucleon force

- Worked out completely at N³LO and at N⁴LO for 2π , $2\pi-1\pi$ and ring graphs. The N⁴LO contributions are driven by the Δ and are large (as expected).
- Alternatively, calculations in EFT with explicit Δ are being performed. For 2π 3NF, both approaches lead to comparable results (with the Δ -full approach showing superior convergence). Δ -contributions to $2\pi-1\pi$ and ring topologies have also been worked out, short-range terms in progress...
- Very good progress on the PWD of the 3NF

Future plans: completing derivation of the 3NF at N⁴LO and Δ contributions at N³LO; PWD of the locally regularized 3NF; 3NF effects in 3N scattering and spectra of light nuclei...

Two nucleons à la Weinberg

How to renormalize the Schrödinger equation Lepage, nucl-th/9697929

1. Introduce a *finite* cutoff $M_\pi \ll \Lambda \sim \Lambda_{\text{hard}}$

All symmetries can be preserved Slavnov '71; Djukanovic et al.'05, Hall, Pascalutsa '12

2. Tune $C_i(\Lambda)$ to low-energy observables ← (implicit) renormalization

3. Check self-consistency by means of error-plots (Lepage-plots)

Predictive power easily understood in terms of Modified Effective Range Theory...

How not to renormalize the Schrödinger equation: an infinite cutoff limit

Removing Λ by taking the limit $\Lambda \rightarrow \infty$ may yield finite results for the amplitude but does not qualify for a consistent renormalization in the EFT sense. It is only justified if all necessary counterterms are included... EE, Gegelia, EPJA 41 (2009) 341

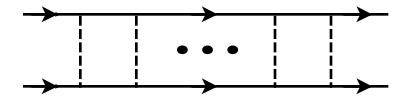
$$T = \frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \Lambda + \alpha_3 \Lambda^2}{\beta_1 + \beta_2 \Lambda + \beta_3 \Lambda^2}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \xrightarrow{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} T = \frac{\alpha_3}{\beta_3} \\ \xrightarrow{\text{renormalization}} T = \frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \mu + \alpha_3 \mu^2}{\beta_1 + \beta_2 \mu + \beta_3 \mu^2} \end{array} \right.$$

The cutoff issue

Why cutoff?

$$T = \underbrace{V + VG_0T}_{\text{truncated at a given order in the expansion}} = \underbrace{V + VG_0V + VG_0VG_0V + \dots}_{\text{increasingly UV divergent integrals are generated through iterations}}$$



Ideally, would like to calculate the integrals

$$T^{(n)} = V[G_0V]^{n-1} = m^{n-1} \int_0^\Lambda d^3l_1 \dots d^3l_{n-1} \frac{V(\vec{p}', \vec{l}_1) V(\vec{l}_1, \vec{l}_2) \dots V(\vec{l}_{n-1}, \vec{p})}{[p^2 - l_1^2 + i\epsilon] \dots [p^2 - l_{n-1}^2 + i\epsilon]}$$

subtract the UV divergences ($\sim \log \Lambda; \Lambda; \Lambda^2; \dots$) and take the limit $\Lambda \rightarrow \infty$. This is not possible in practice (except for pionless EFT) \longrightarrow let Λ finite and adjust bare C_i to exp data (= implicit renormalization). Λ should be not taken too high [Lepage, EE, Meißner, Gegelia], in practice $\max[\Lambda] \sim 600$ MeV (otherwise spurious BS...)

Price to pay: **finite cutoff artifacts** (i.e. terms $\sim 1/\Lambda; 1/\Lambda^2; 1/\Lambda^3; \dots$), may become an issue at higher energies (e.g. $E_{\text{lab}} \sim 200$ MeV corresponds to $p \sim 310$ MeV/c)

Is it possible to eliminate or at least reduce finite cutoff artifacts?