

The means to test nuclear interaction in few-nucleon systems



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- ✓ **Properties of heavy and medium nuclei vary smoothly**
Individuality of single nucleons is lost

Constant density

Constant binding per nucleon

- ✓ **Diverse properties of light nuclei**
Nucleons still behave as individuals

Diverse nuclear densities, bindings

Neutron richest structures

One can still trace NN interaction effects!!!

Can handle exactly...

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First principles:
NN interaction



No-adjustments!!

Complete description:
Bound states, scattering,
EM reactions



Machinery:

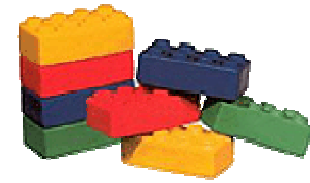
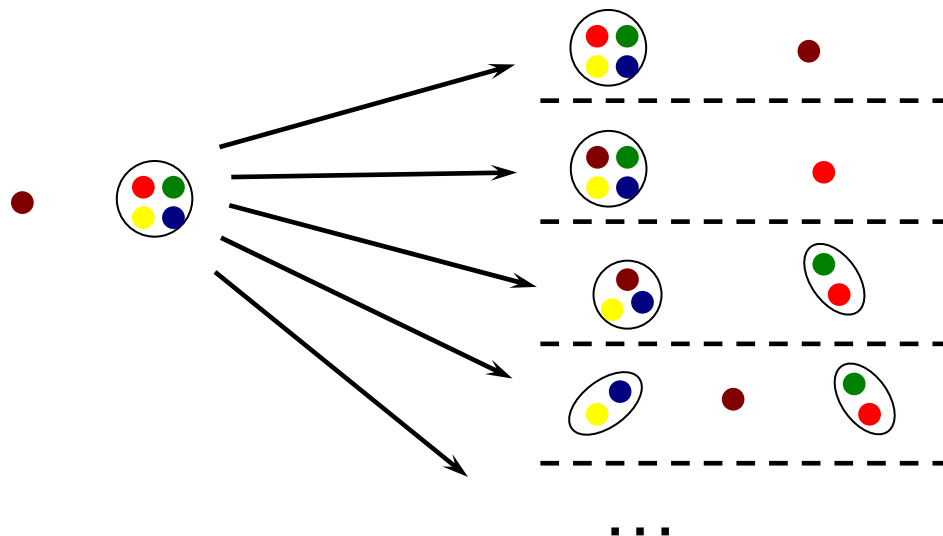
Bound states $A \leq 12$: Green function Monte-Carlo¹, No-core shell model²,...

¹ S.C. Pieper, V.R. Pandharipande, R.B. Wiringa and J. Carlson: Phys. Rev. C **64** (2001) 014001.

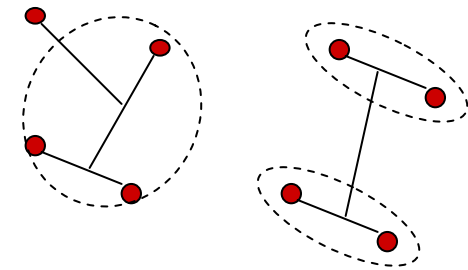
² P. Navratil, J.P. Vary, B. R. Barrett: Phys. Rev. Lett. **84** (2000) 5728.

Scattering $A \leq 4$!!! Faddeev-Yakubovski eq., Hyperspherical Harmonics.

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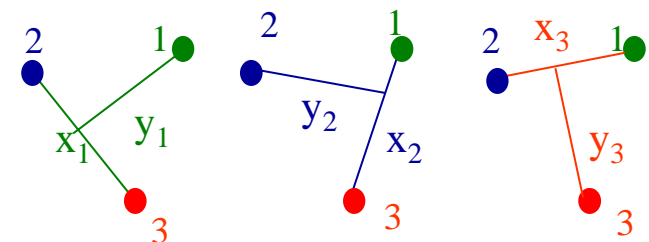
$$\Psi = \sum_{\alpha} \psi_{\alpha}$$



• Schrödinger eq. is not enough (provided solutions are not unique)

• Faddeev-Yakubovski equations

$$\begin{cases} (\hat{H}_0 + V_{23} - E)\psi_1 = -V_{23}(\psi_2 + \psi_3) \\ (\hat{H}_0 + V_{13} - E)\psi_2 = -V_{13}(\psi_1 + \psi_3) \\ (\hat{H}_0 + V_{12} - E)\psi_3 = -V_{12}(\psi_1 + \psi_2) \end{cases}$$



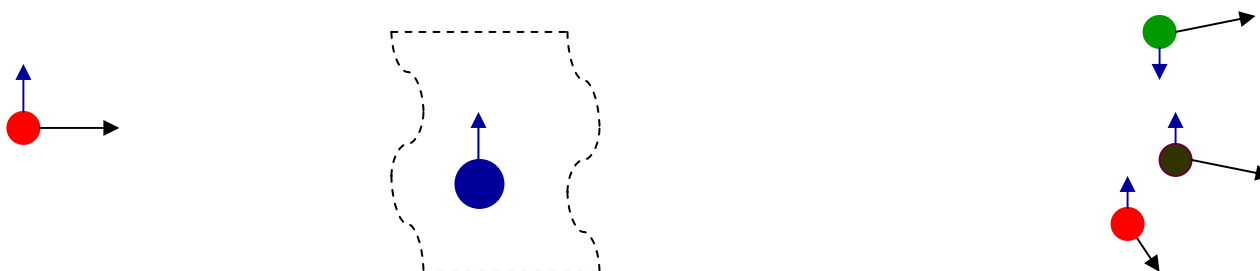
+ correct boundary conditions for components ψ_{α} !!! Special care to make for break-up!

Problems with Coulomb break-up: recently resolved for 3N system

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o Why scattering?

The scattering experiment is the richest source of information about NN interaction



In theory:

Faddeev-
Yakubovskii eq.



Full systems wave function



elastic asymptotes

Break-up asymptotes



Any experimental observable!!!

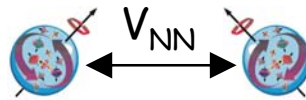
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Freestyle: phenomenological models

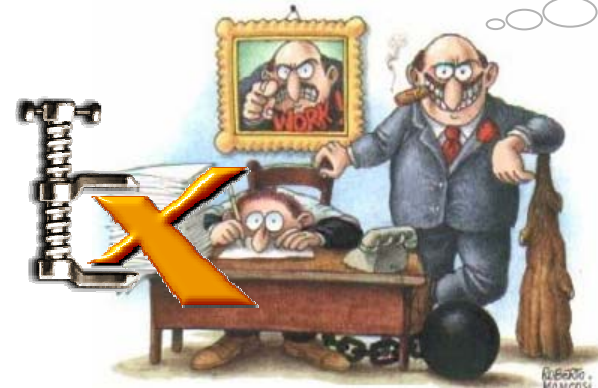


MT I-III (Malfliet-Tjon)

INOY (Doleschall)...



Extreme sports: realistic potentials



Paris

Nijmegen: Nijm I, [Nijm II](#), Reid

Urbana/Argonne: [Av.14](#), [Av18](#)

Bonn: Bonn B, CD Bonn, ...

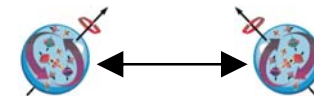
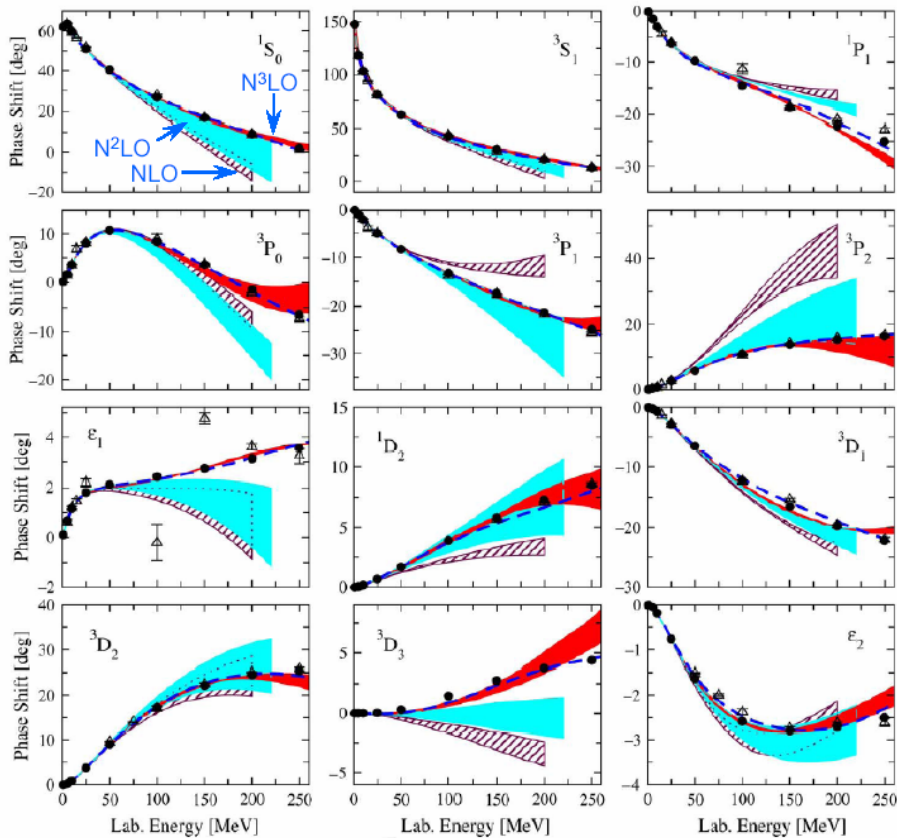
Effective field theory (EFT) and
Chiral perturbation theory (χ PT)

Manufacture of parameters: to fit NN data (n-p and p-p). Description with $\chi^2_{\text{data}} \approx 1.01$ ($n \sim 40$ free parameters...).

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Neutron-proton phase shifts up to N³LO

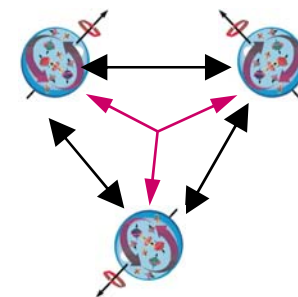


(Entem & Machleidt '03; E.E., Meißner & Glöckle '05)

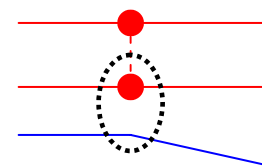
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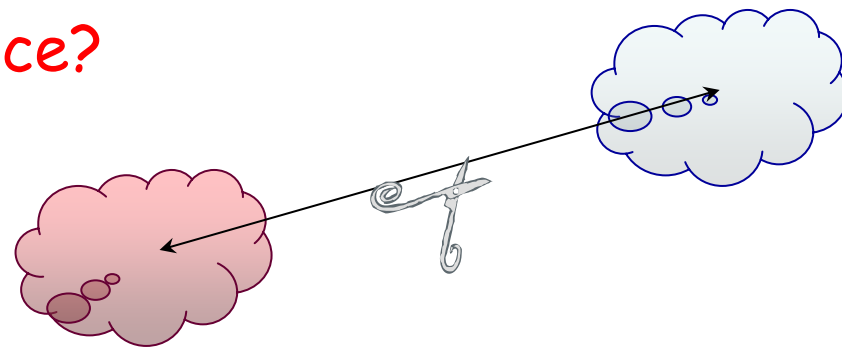
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Off-shell effects:



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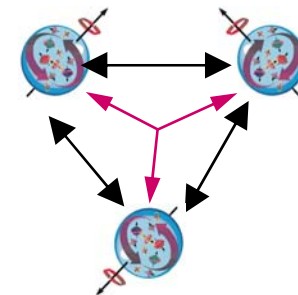


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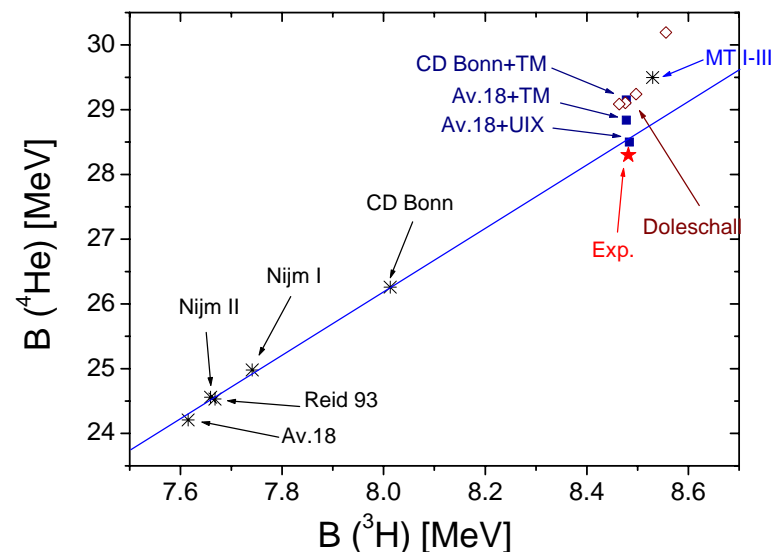
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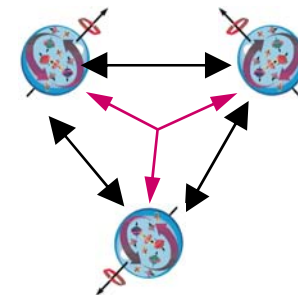


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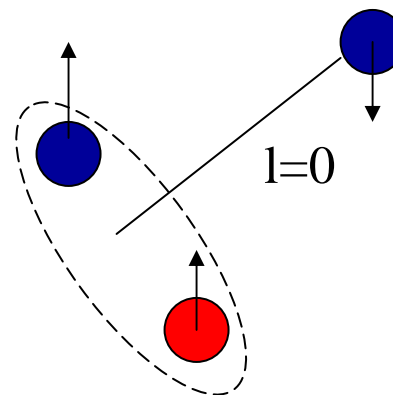
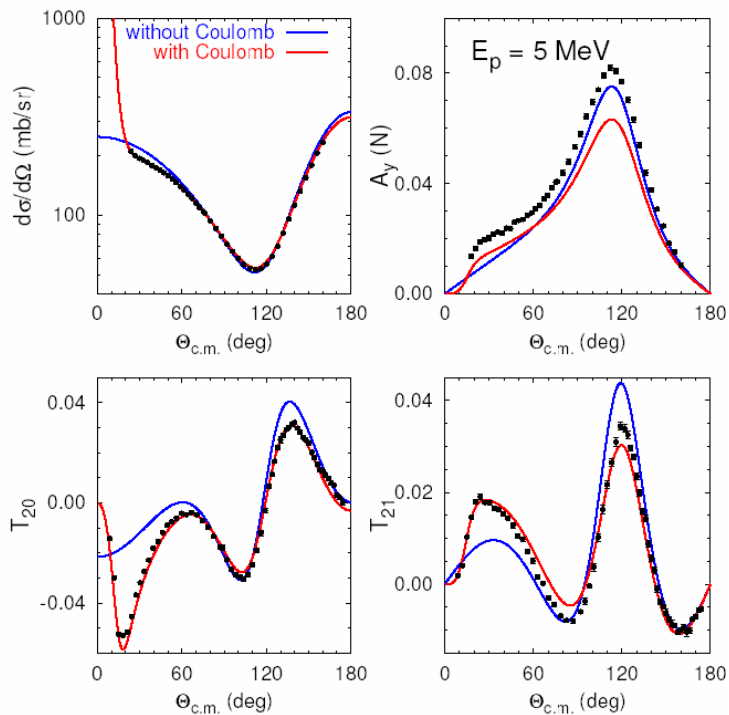
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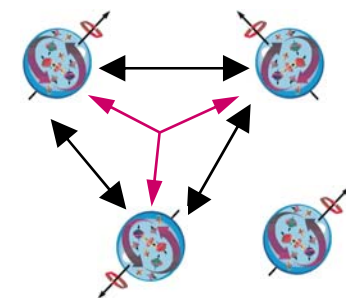
3NF effects are very small...

- ✓ deuteron is large
- ✓ Nd singlet scattering cross sections are very low



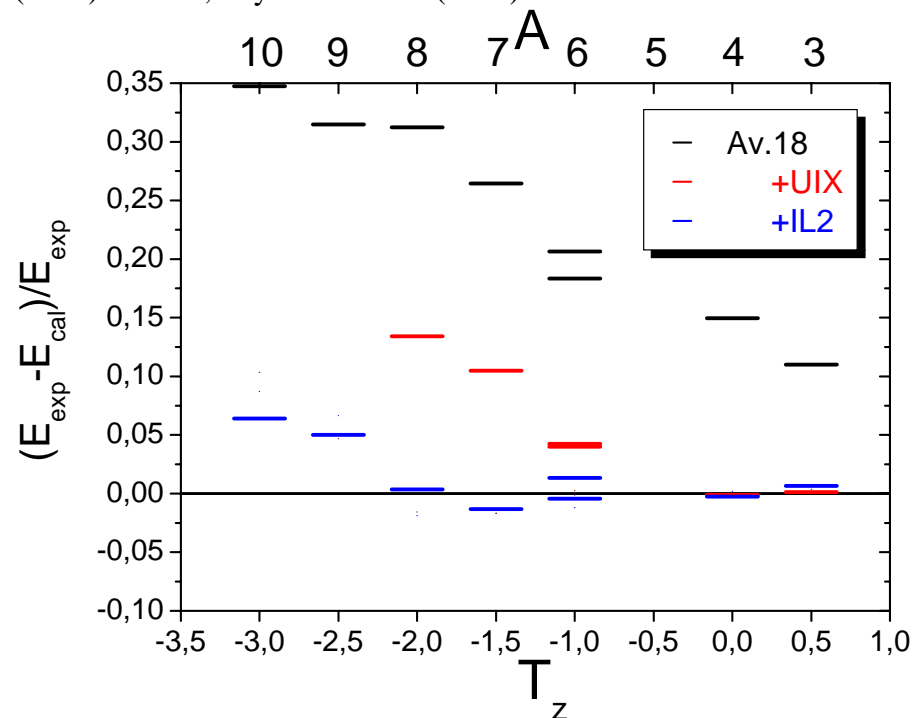
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Bound states of heavier systems

C. Pieper et al.: Phys. Rev. C 64 (2001) 014001; Phys. Rev. Lett. 89 (2002) 182501; Phys. Rev. C 66 (2002) 044310

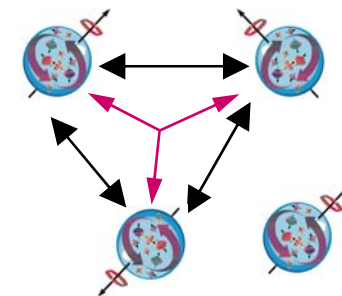


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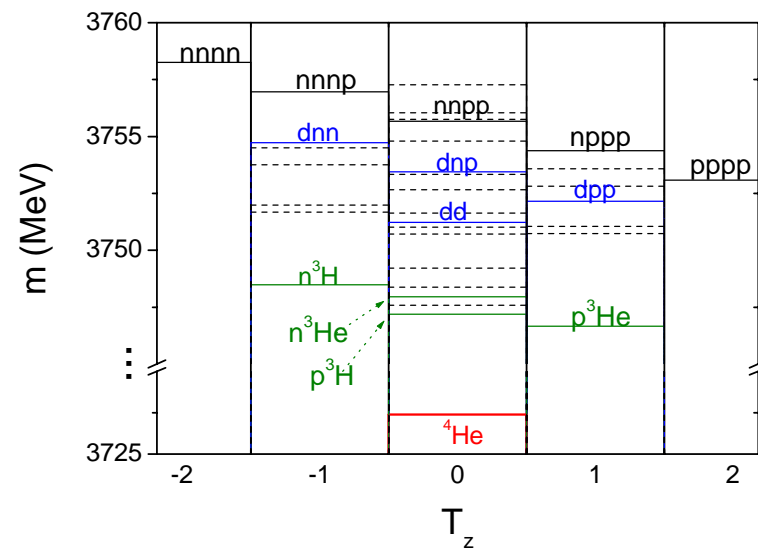
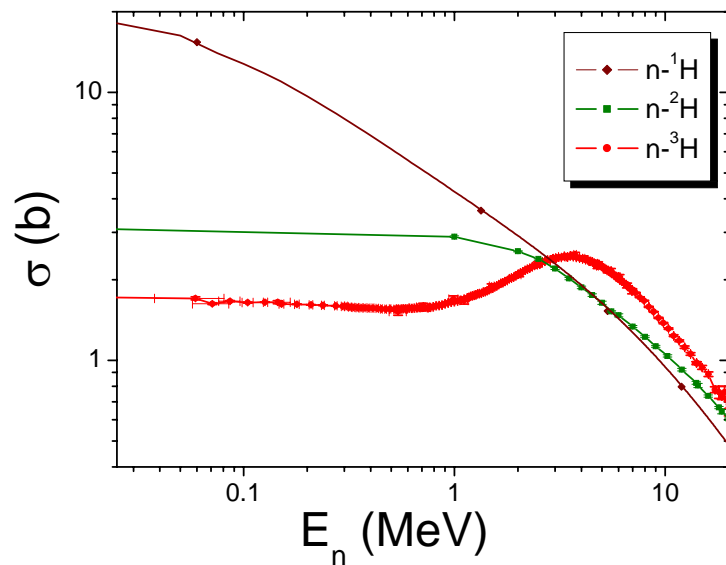
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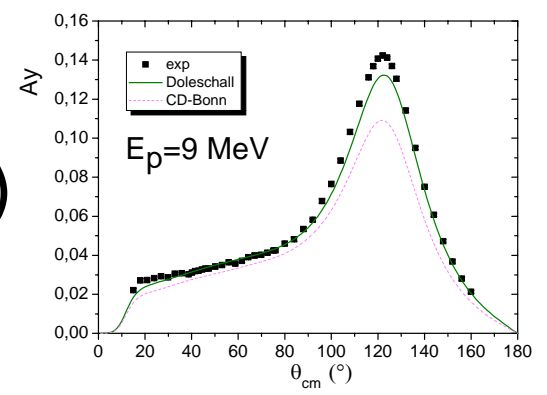
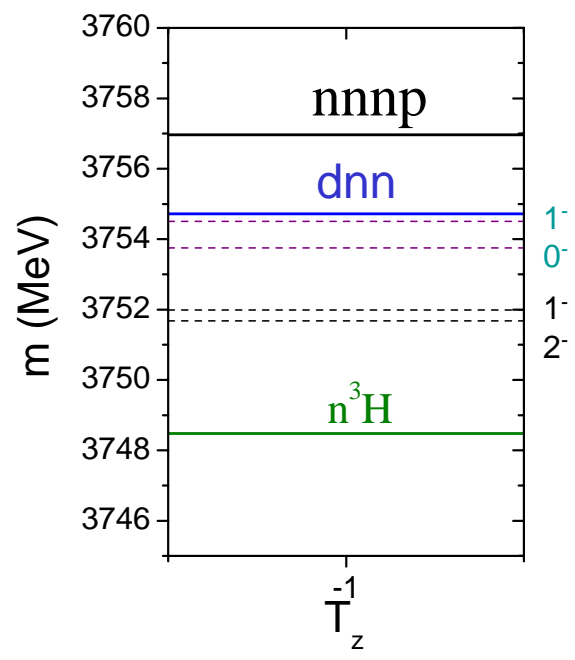
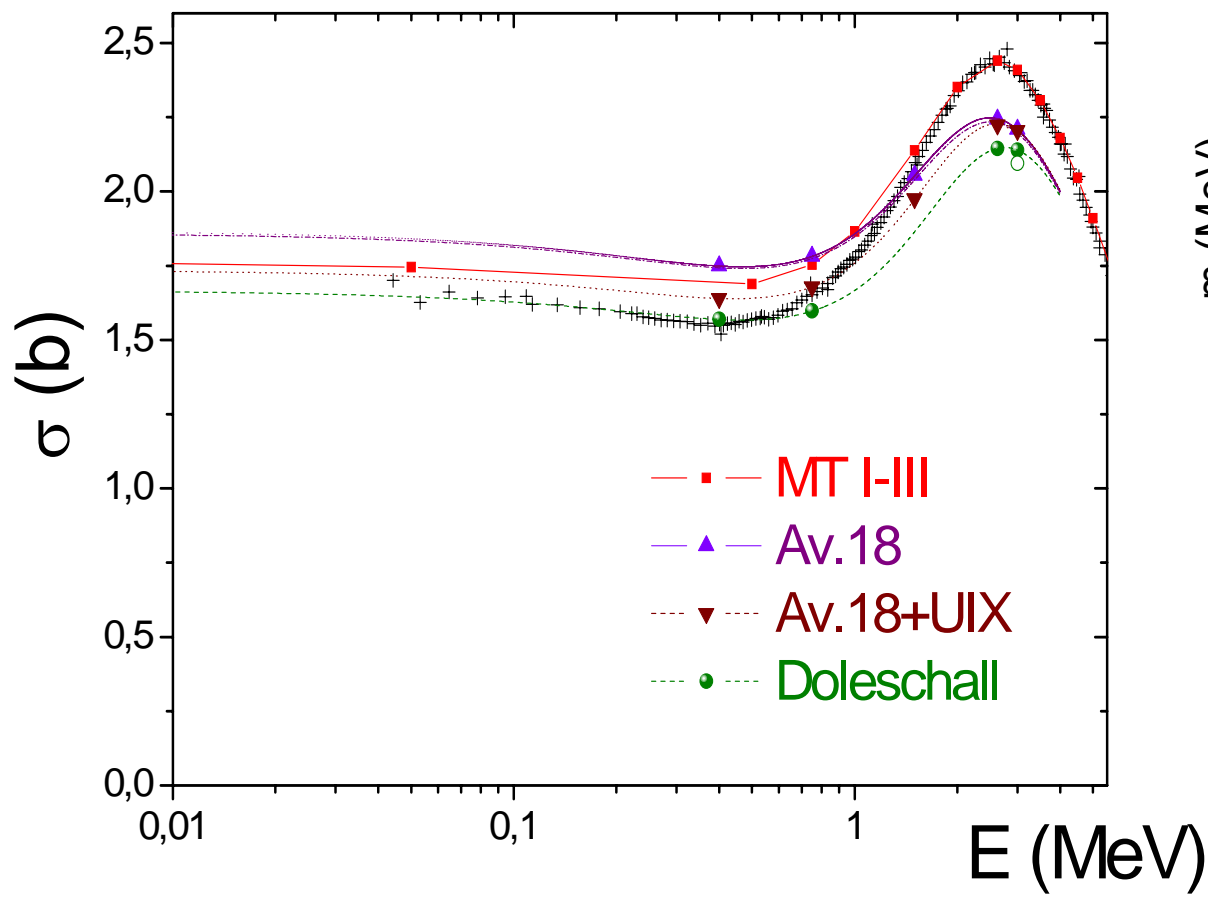


✓ **4N scattering**: considerably more technically as well as structurewise



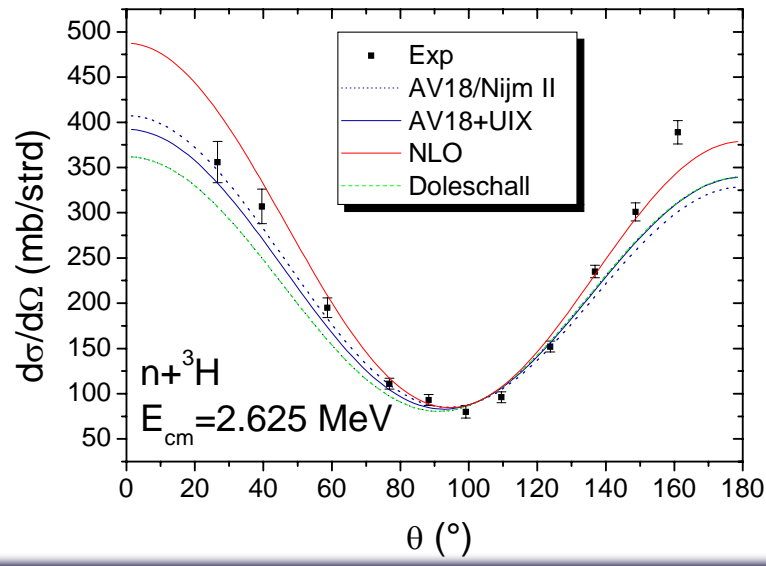
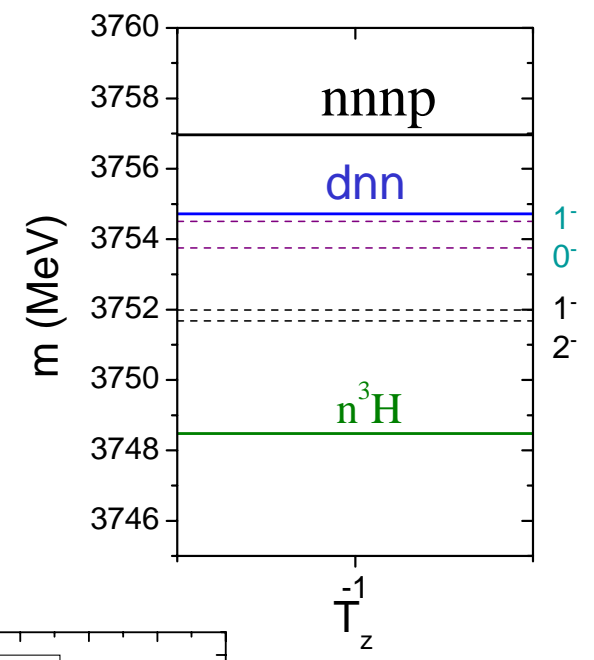
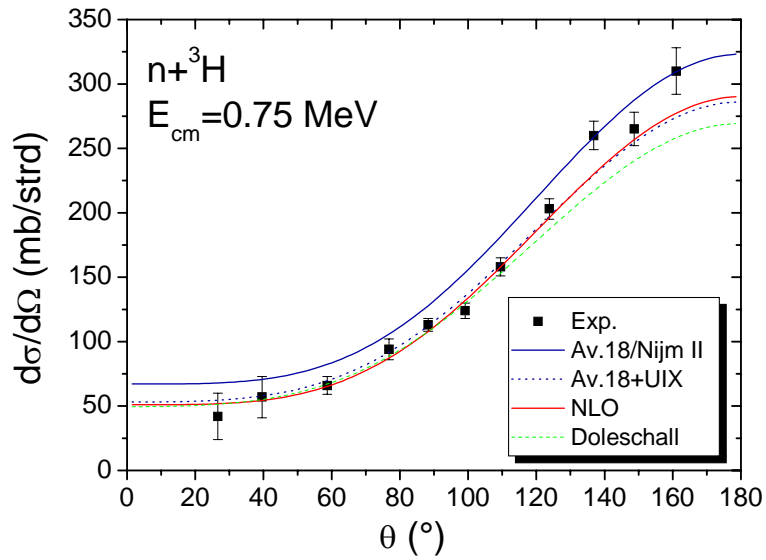
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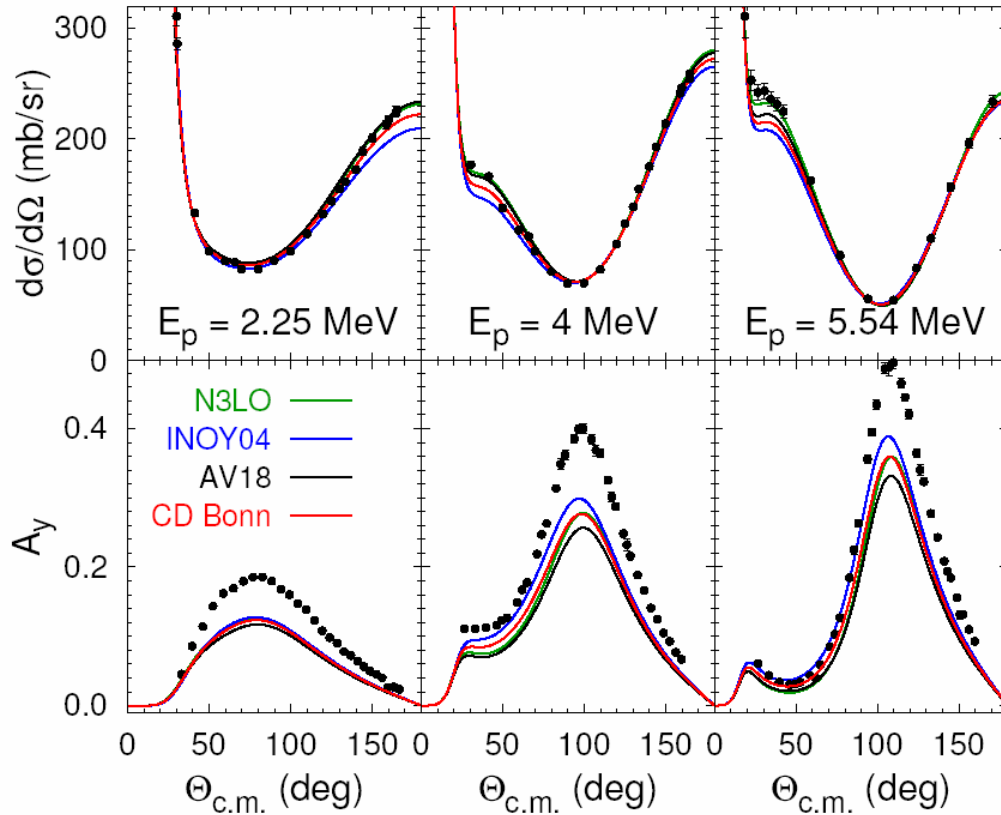
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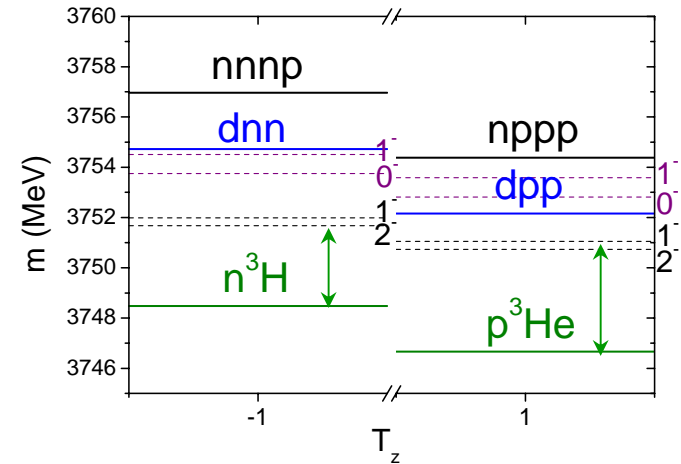


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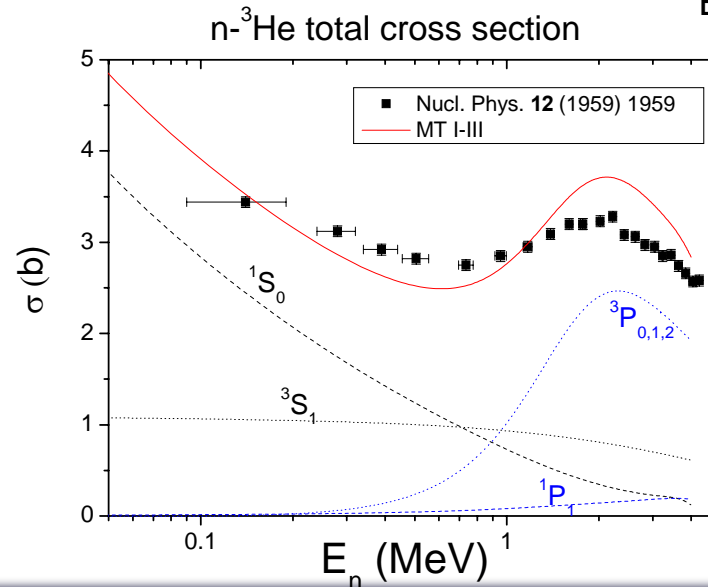
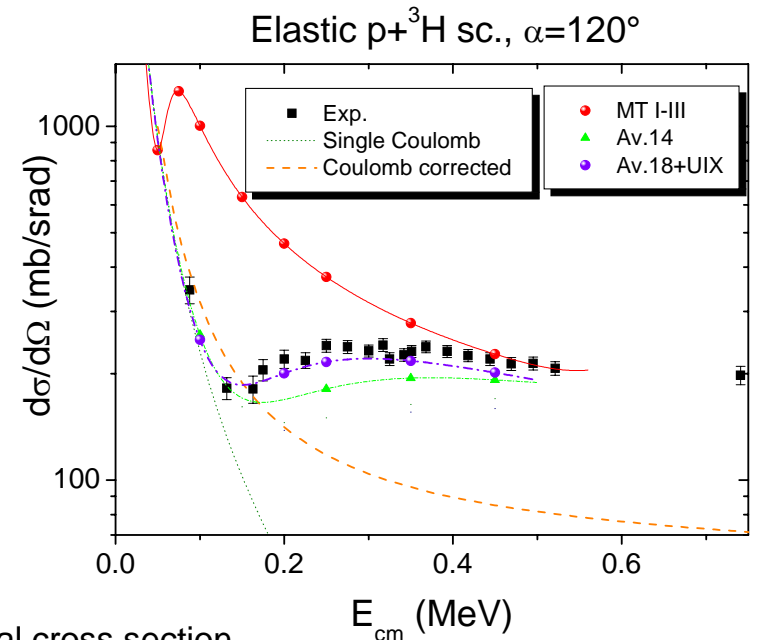
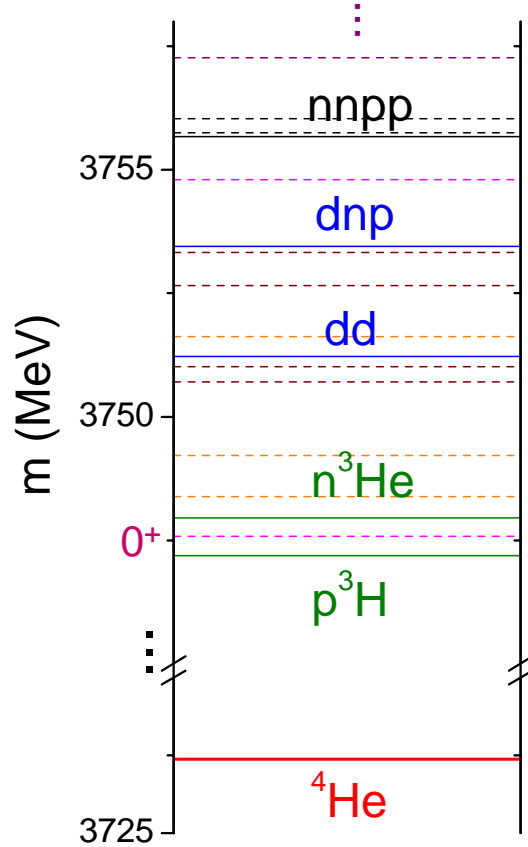
p - ^3He scattering



A. Deltuva, A. Fonseca: to appear in PRC

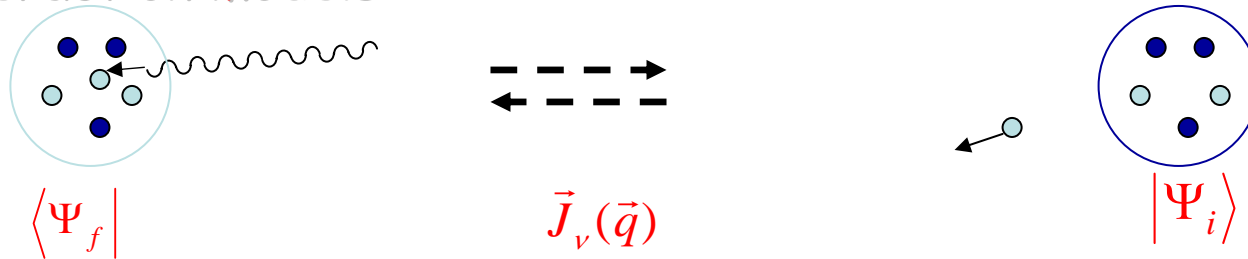


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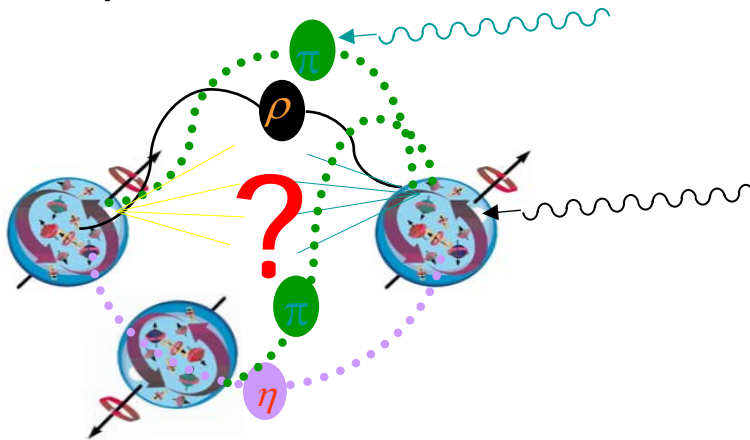
Weak and EM probes are very useful to test nuclear structure and interaction models:



$$\mathcal{M} = \langle\Psi_f|\hat{H}_v|\Psi_i\rangle \square \langle\Psi_f|\vec{J}_v(\vec{q})|\Psi_i\rangle$$

$$\bar{\mu}_f = e\frac{i}{2}\langle\Psi_f|\lim_{|q|\rightarrow 0}\vec{\nabla}_{\vec{q}}\times\vec{J}(\vec{q})|\Psi_f\rangle$$

In fact:



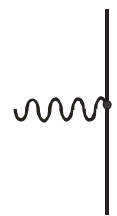
$$\vec{J}_v(\vec{q}) = \vec{j}_{1B}(\vec{q}) + \vec{j}_{2B}(\vec{q}) + \vec{j}_{3B}(\vec{q}) + \dots$$

$$\vec{j}_{2B}(\vec{q}) = f(V_{NN})$$

$$\vec{j}_{3B}(\vec{q}) = f(V_{NNN})$$

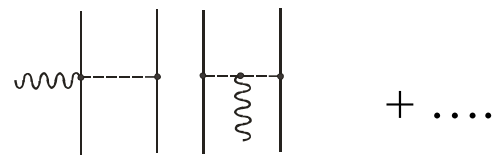
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Derivation of EM current consistent with NN interaction using χ PT:


 + **Counting NⁿLO:** $n = 1 - \frac{E_N}{2} + 2L + \sum_i v_i$

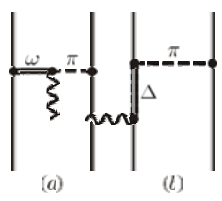
Number of external lines \rightarrow Chiral order of vertex
 ($\Lambda_\chi \approx 4\pi f_\pi \approx m_N \approx 1 \text{ GeV}$)
 Number of loops

NLO: 1-pion exchange

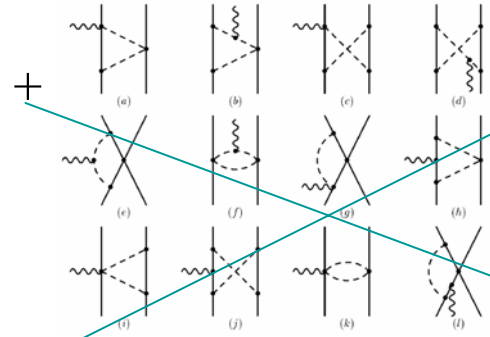


N³LO:

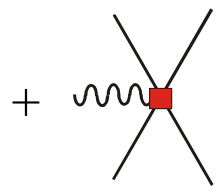
Vertex correction



2-pion exchange



Contact terms (2 parameters)



$$\vec{j}(\vec{q}) = e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{R}} \frac{i}{2m} \vec{q} \times [g_{4S}(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2) + g_{4V}(\tau_1 - \tau_2)(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)] \delta_\Lambda^{(3)}(r)$$

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o Regularisation of the momenta:

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_{12\dots n}(\vec{q}) &= J_{12\dots n}(\vec{q}; r'_i s, p'_i s, \sigma'_i s, \tau'_i s) \\
 &= \int d\vec{x} e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{x}} \prod_{i=1}^n \left[\int \frac{d\vec{k}_i}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i\vec{k}_i\cdot(\mathbf{r}_i - \vec{x})} S_\Lambda(k_i^2) \right] J_{12\dots n}(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2, \dots, \vec{k}_n)
 \end{aligned}$$

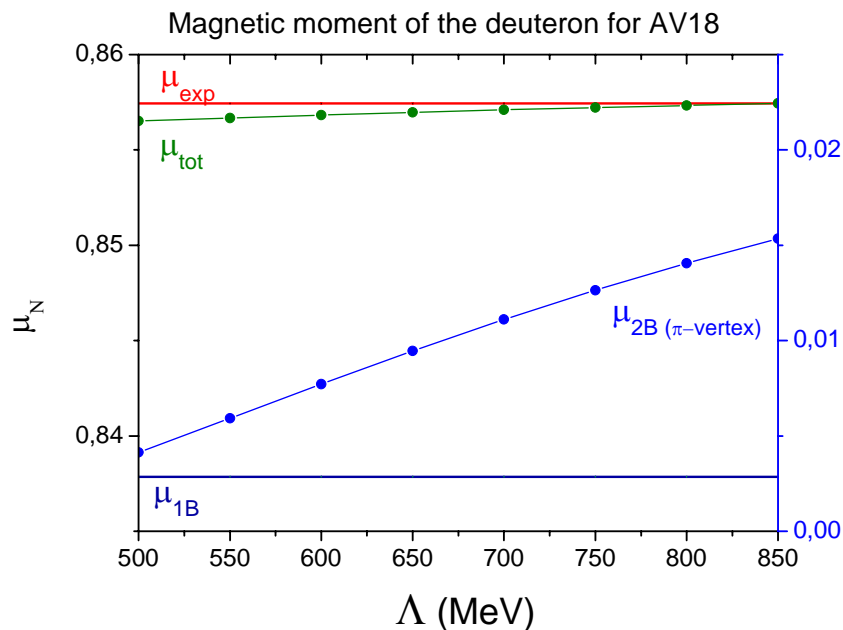
$$S_\Lambda(k^2) = e^{-\frac{k^2}{2\Lambda^2}}$$

o Λ values:

$$\Lambda \square m_\pi$$

$$\Lambda < (m_{\rho,\omega}, \square \Lambda_\chi)$$

o Λ dependence



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	$\mu(^2\text{H})$		$M(np \rightarrow d\gamma)$	
	1-corp	Total	1-corp	Total
NLO	0.851-0.857	0.857-0.858	391-395	407.1-409.
Nijm II	0.8406	0.8581(3)	393.58	409.8(1)
Av.18	0.8402	0.8569(4)	393.2	409.4(1)
AV.18+UIX	0.8402	0.8601(3)	393.2	408.7(1)
Doleschall	0.8537	0.8561(1)	395.36	408.7(1)
Exp.		0.85744		409.9±0.5

For thermal neutron radiative capture on ^3He meson exchange currents account 90% of transition amplitude!!!

- **Small nuclear systems are crucial to understand nuclear interaction:** progress in ab-initio treatment of nuclear reactions is slow but steady
- **Resolution of 3N system is possible in all its complexity:** small discrepancies with data suggest reveals lack of understanding in spin dependence of nuclear force
- **4N is in oven:** stronger discrepancies with data, rich field for studying nuclear forces