

# Chiral two- and three-nucleon forces with explicit Delta degree of freedom

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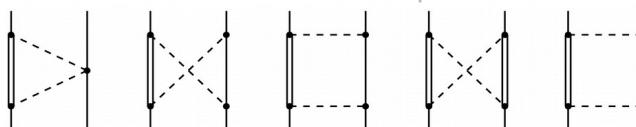
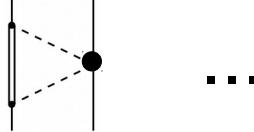
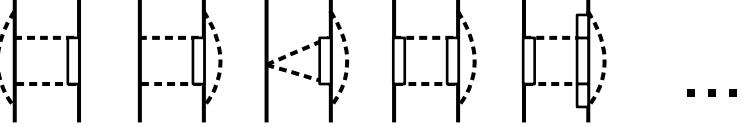


- Explicit decoupling of  $\Delta$  makes comparison with  $\Delta$ -less theory more transparent  
Bernard, Fearing, Hemmert, Meißner '98

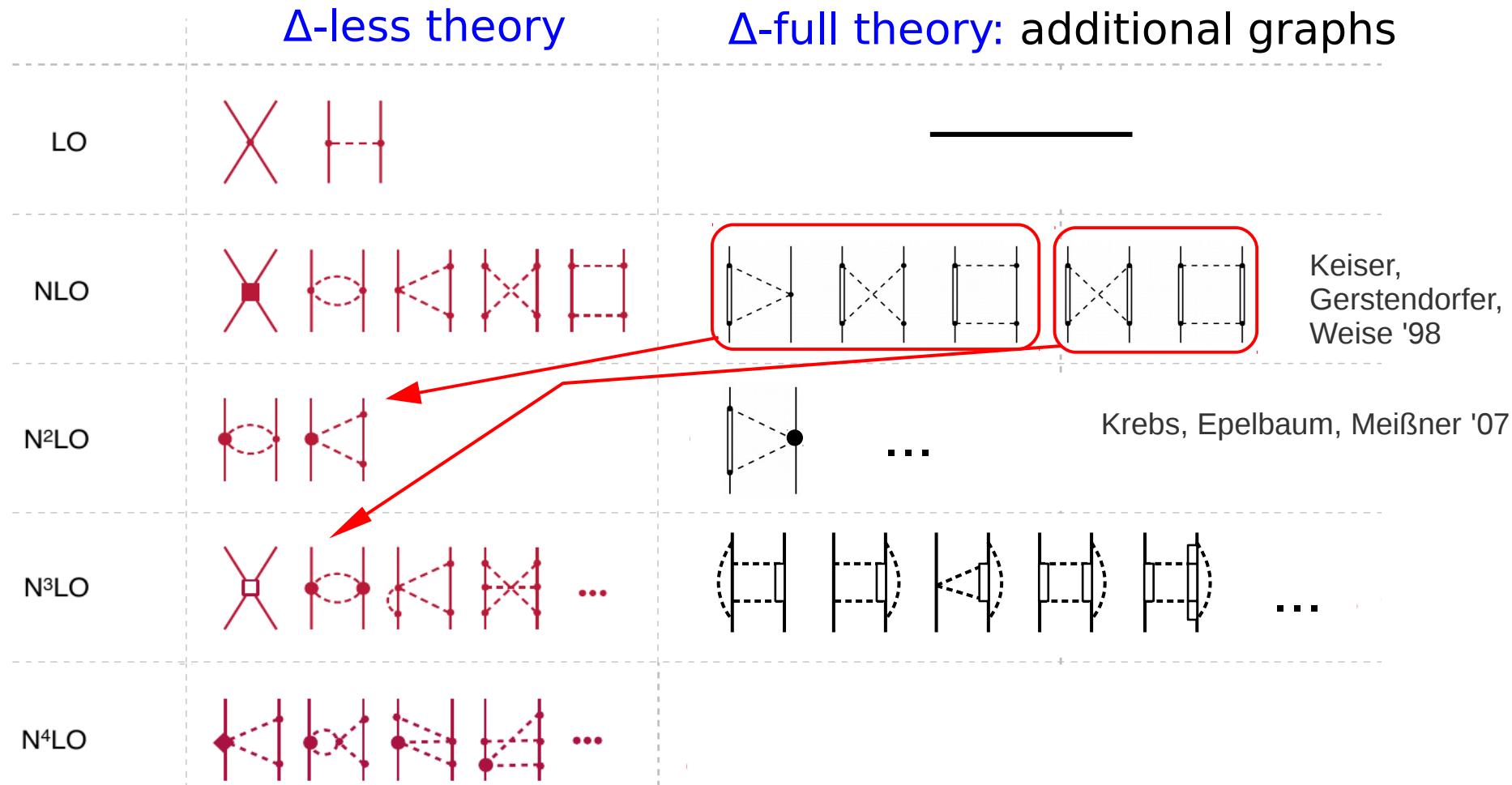
finite parts of LECs can be always chosen such that  
Appelquist, Carrazone '74 (Decoupling theorem)

$$\lim_{\Delta \rightarrow \infty} = \Delta\text{-less}$$

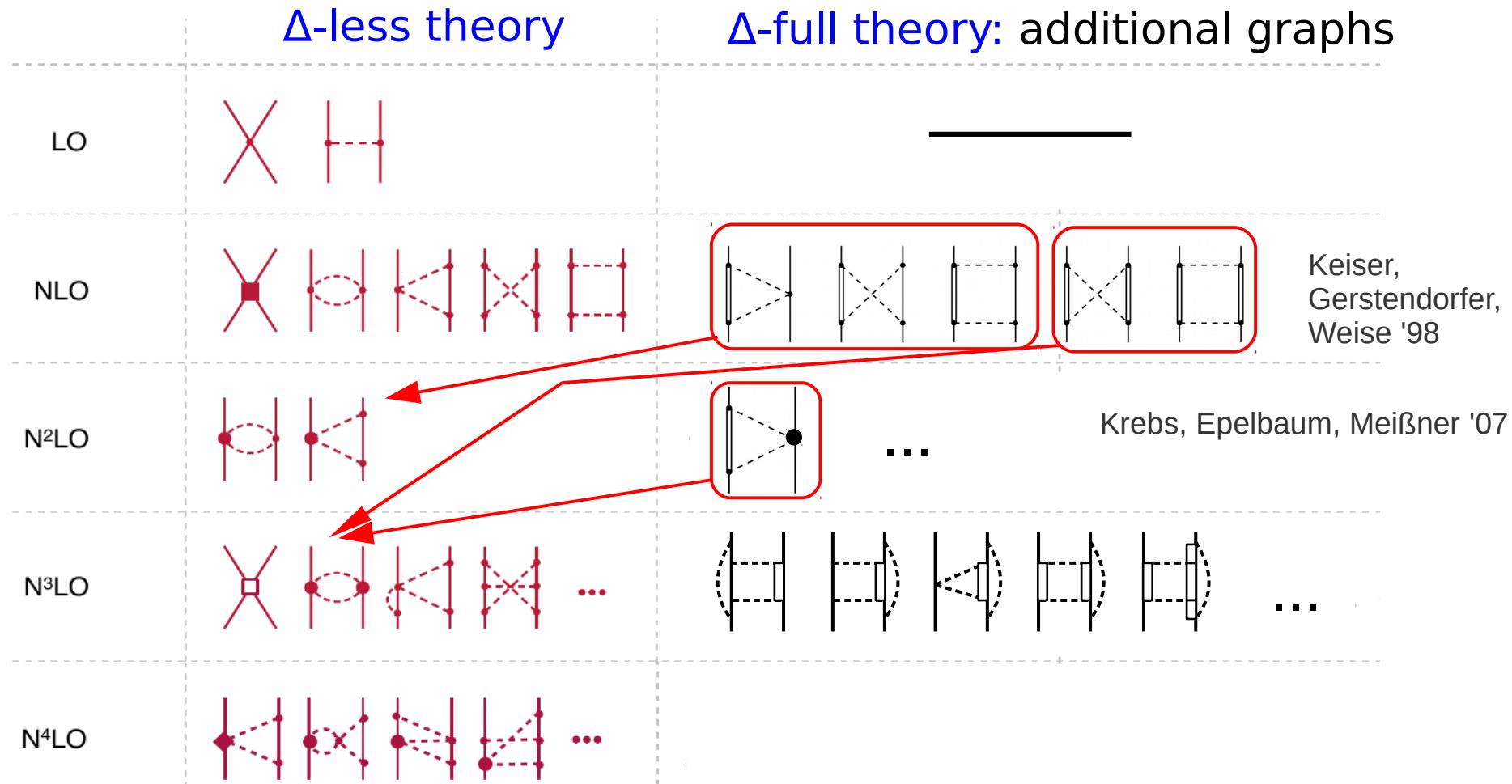
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| NLO     |   | <br>Keiser,<br>Gerstendorfer,<br>Weise '98 |
| $N^2LO$ |    | <br>Krebs, Epelbaum, Mei  ner '07          |
| $N^3LO$ |   |   |
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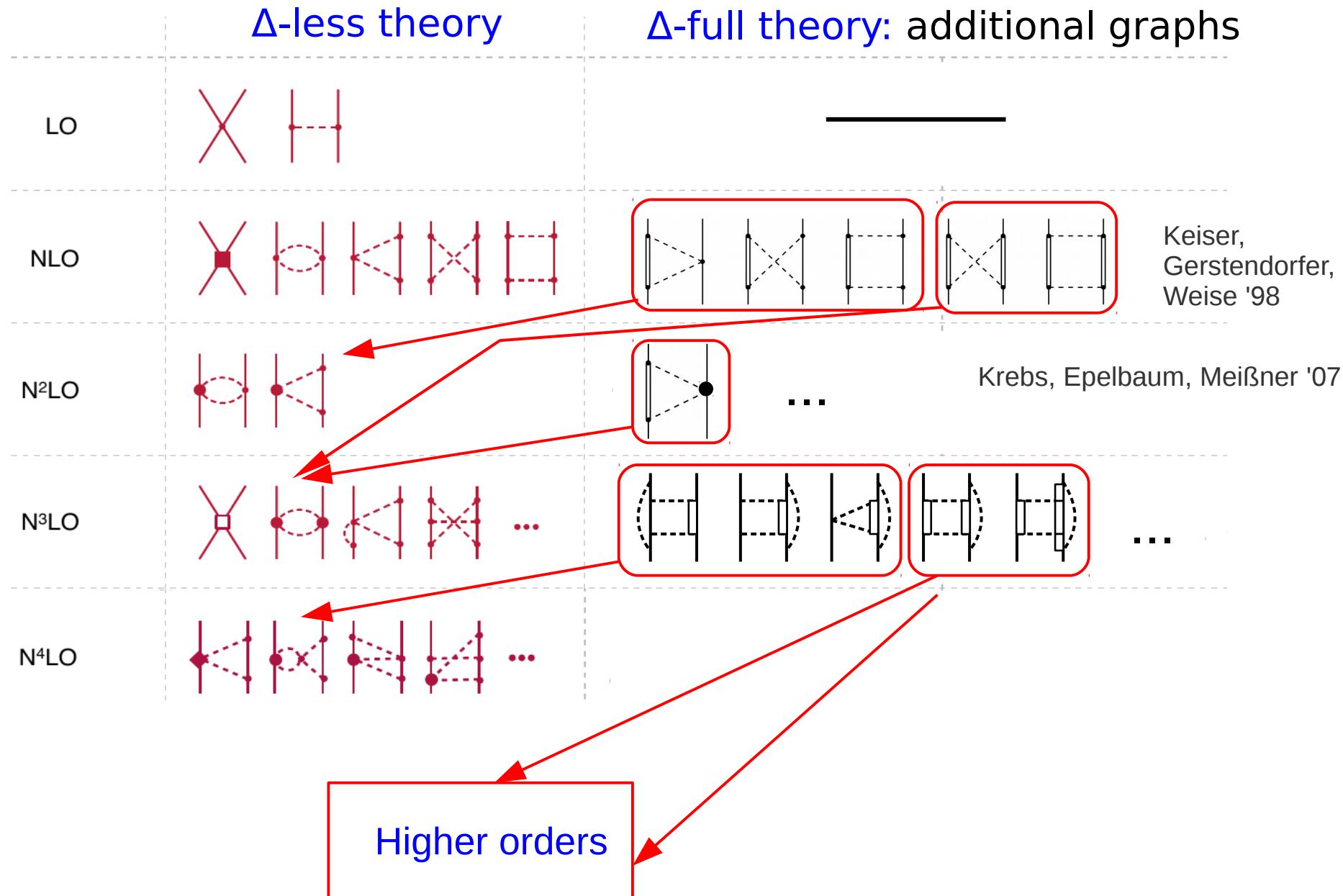
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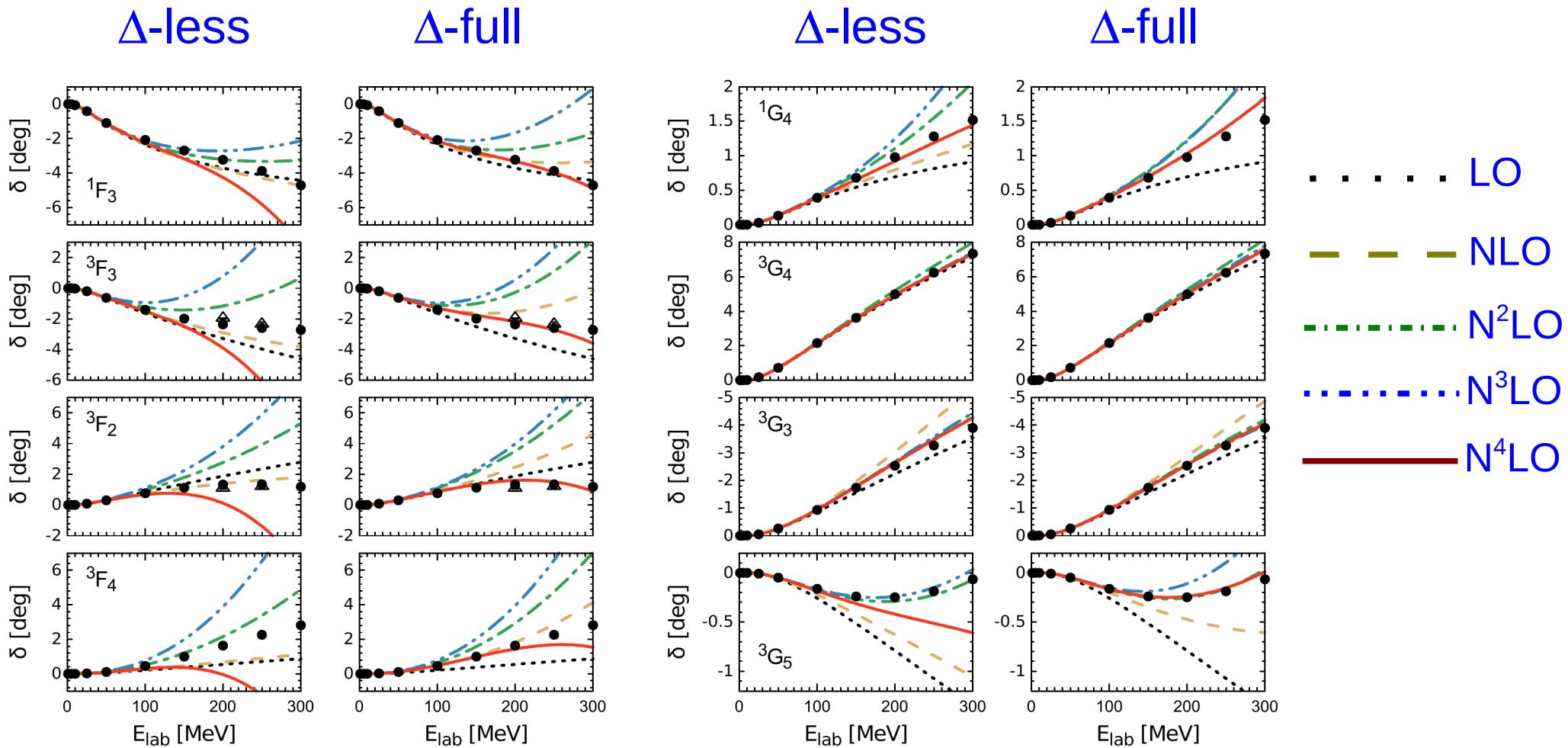
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# Preliminary results for N<sup>3</sup>LO 2N forces with explicit $\Delta$

- Only 2-pion-exchange contribution are considered (the long range part)
- $1/m_N$  corrections are not yet included
- Results for peripheral phases, no refitting of LEC's, no cut offs
- No additional parameters,  
 $h_A$  and  $g_1$  ( $\pi N \Delta$  and  $\pi \Delta \Delta$ )  
are extracted from the fit to  $\pi N$  scattering

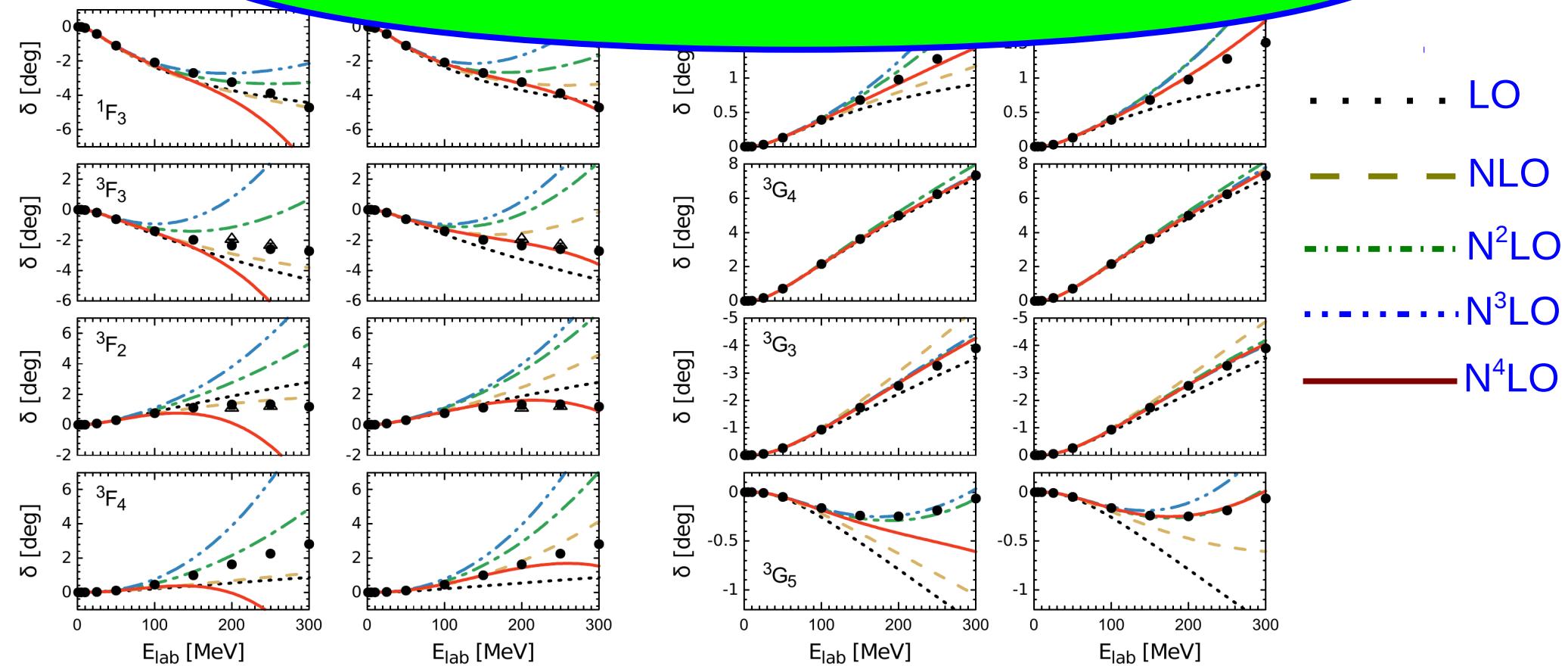
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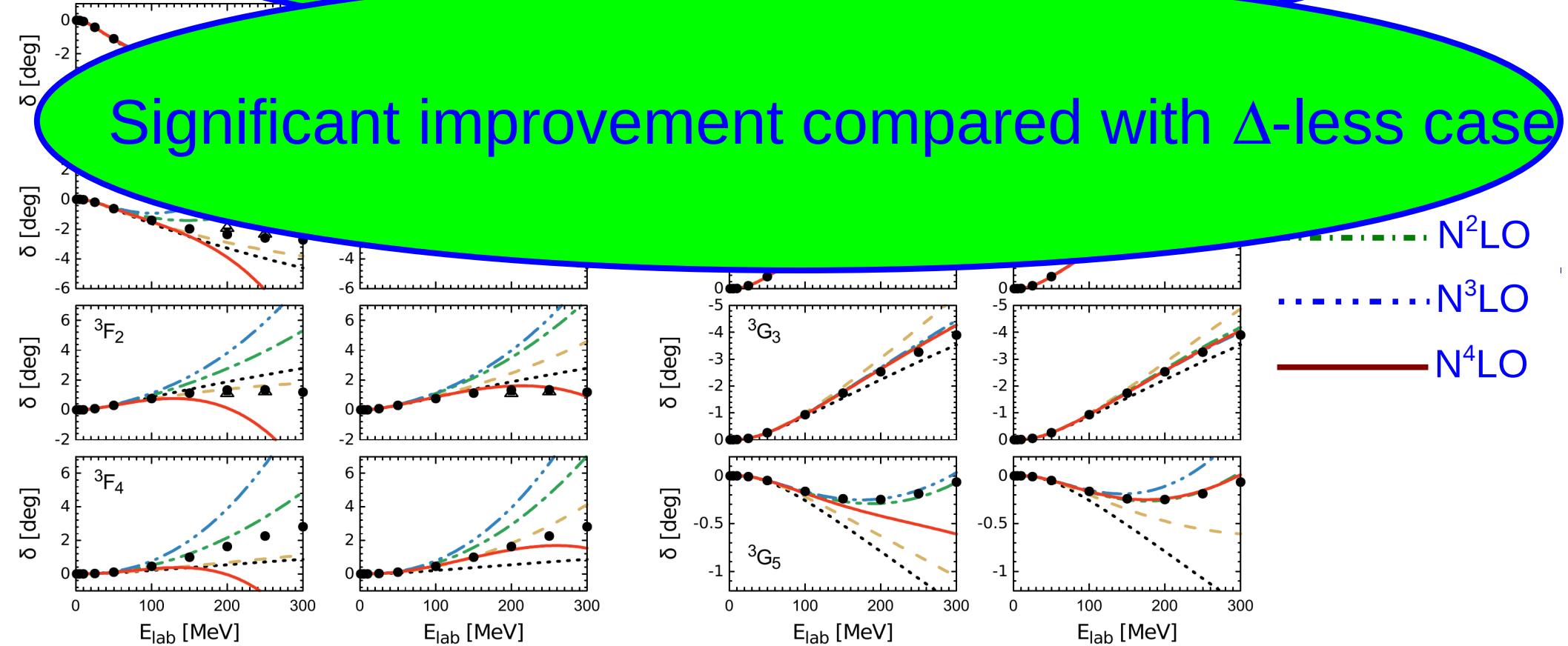


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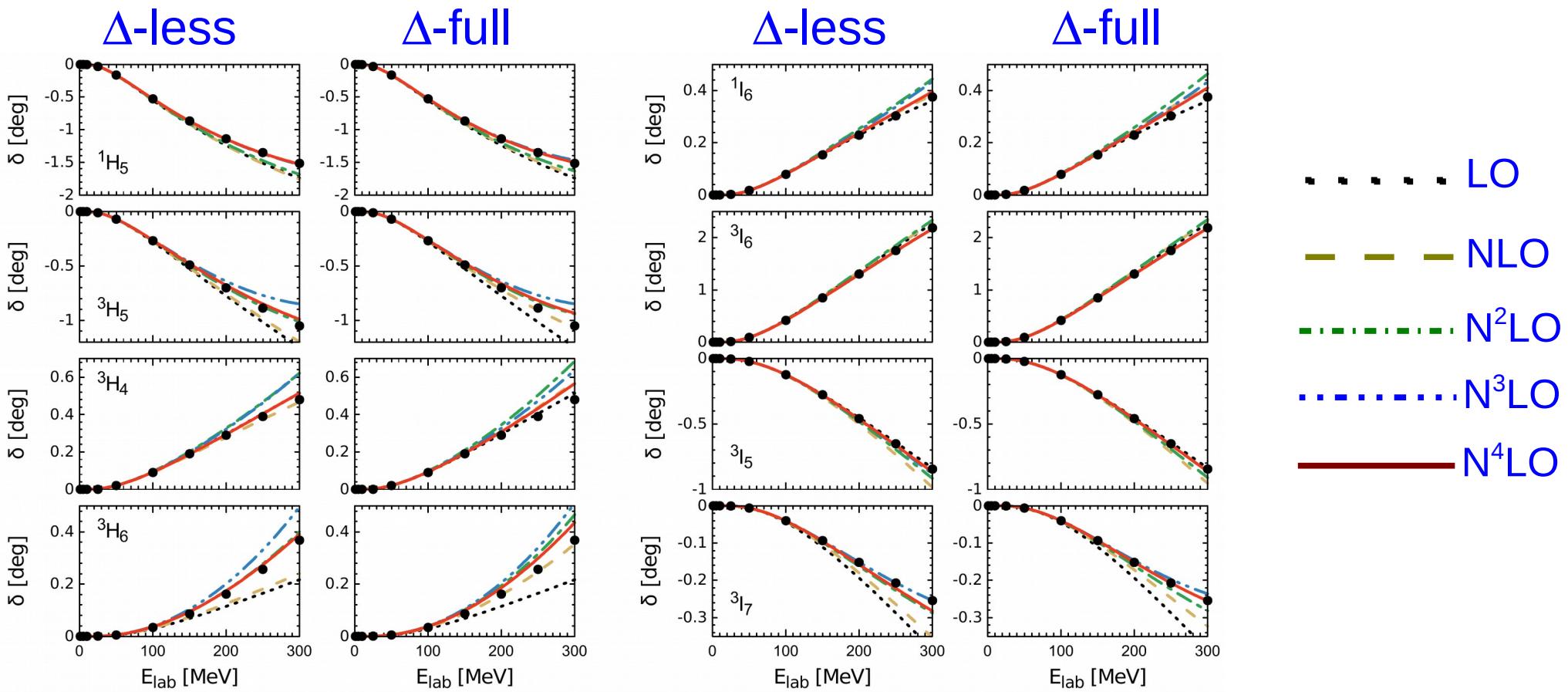
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Significant improvement compared with  $\Delta$ -less case



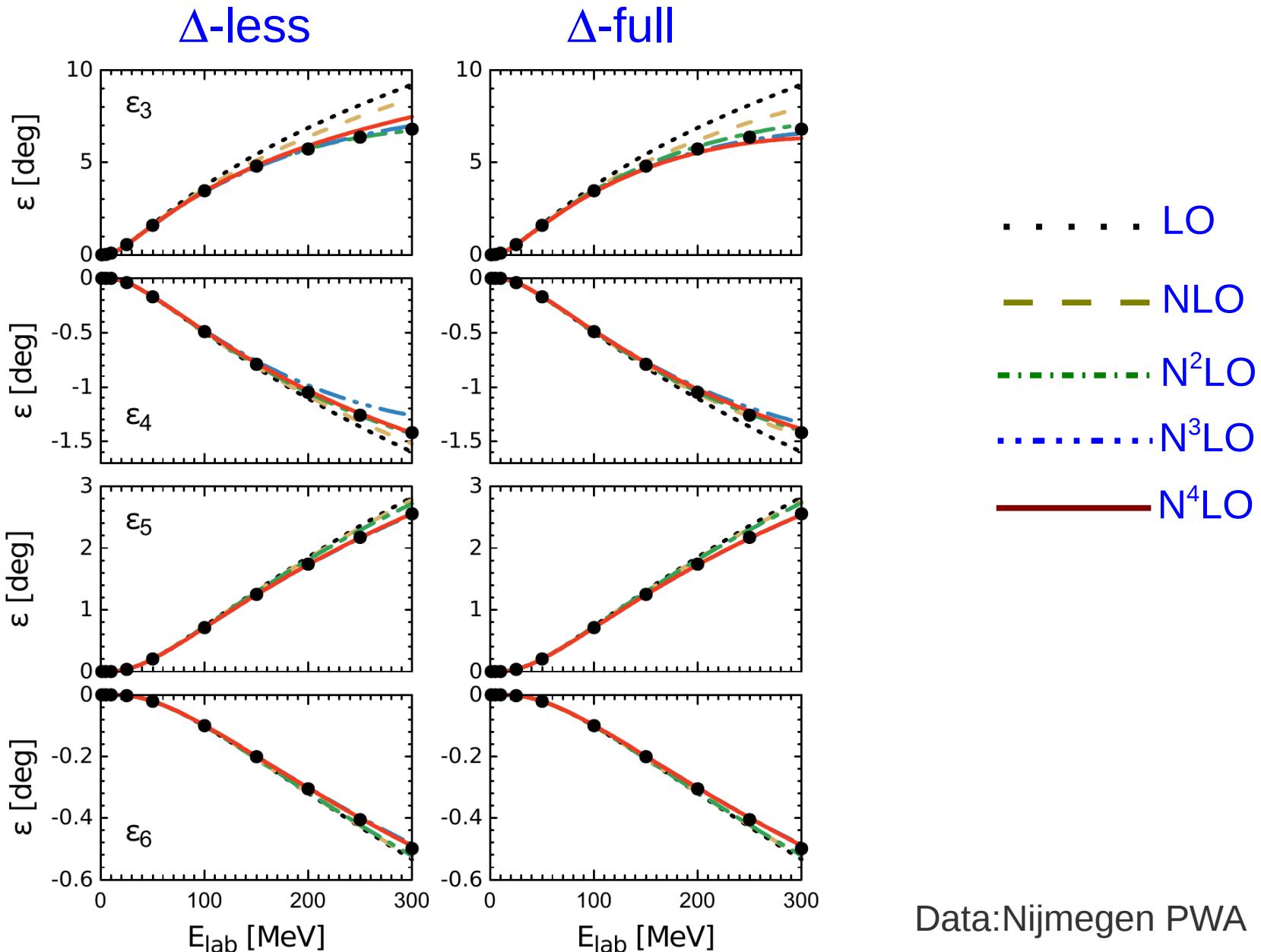
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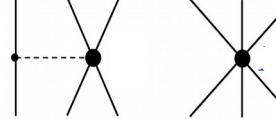
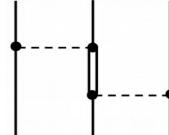
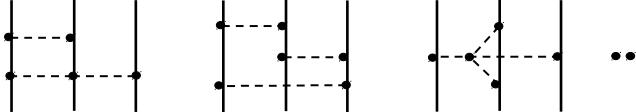
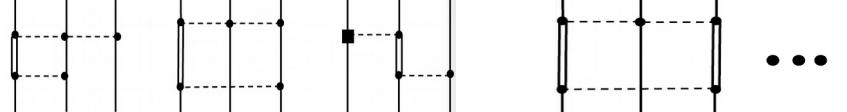
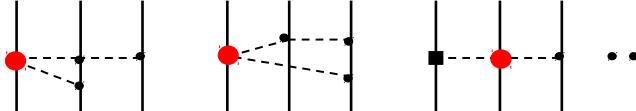


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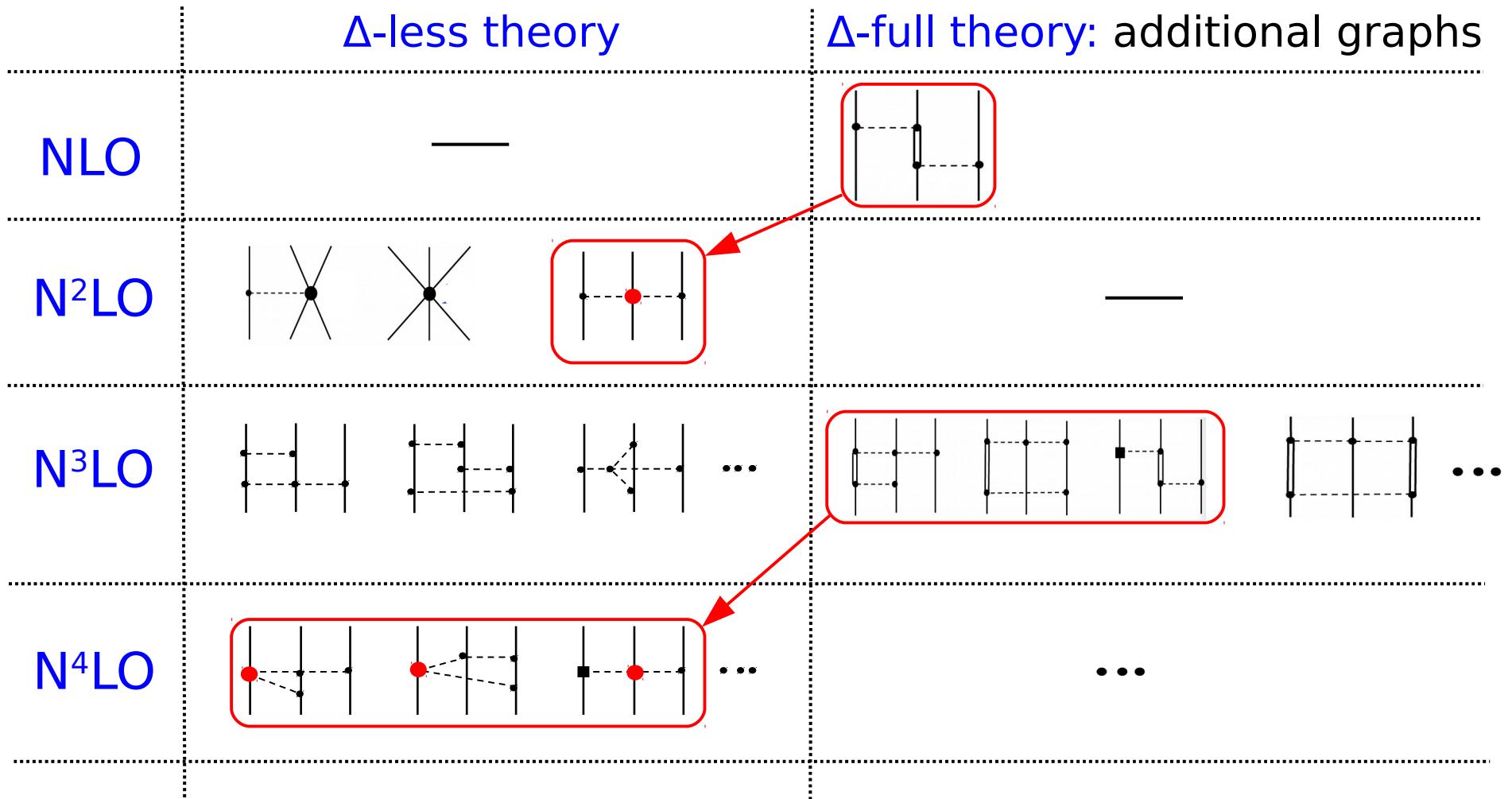
# Mixing angles $\varepsilon_3, \varepsilon_4, \varepsilon_5, \varepsilon_6$



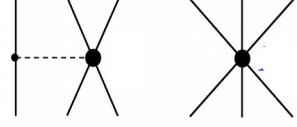
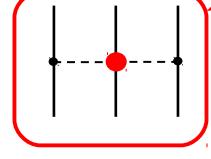
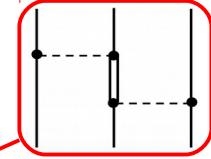
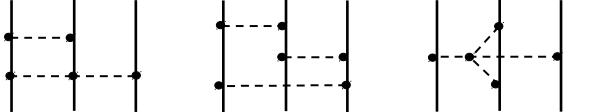
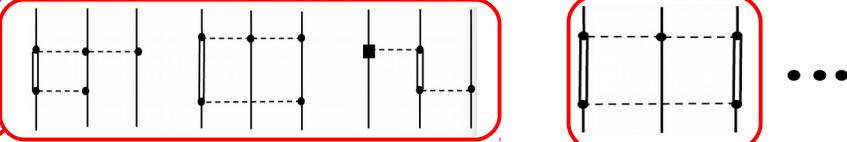
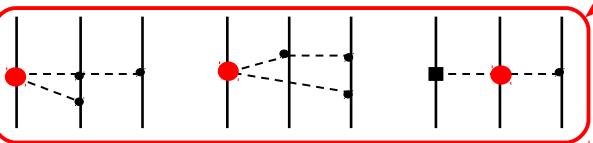
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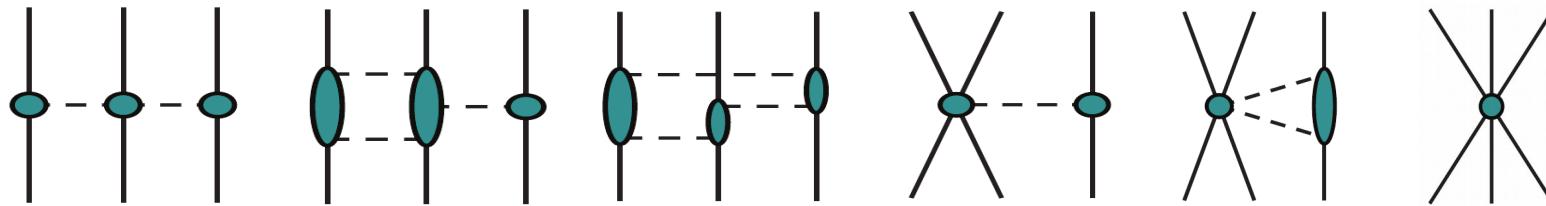
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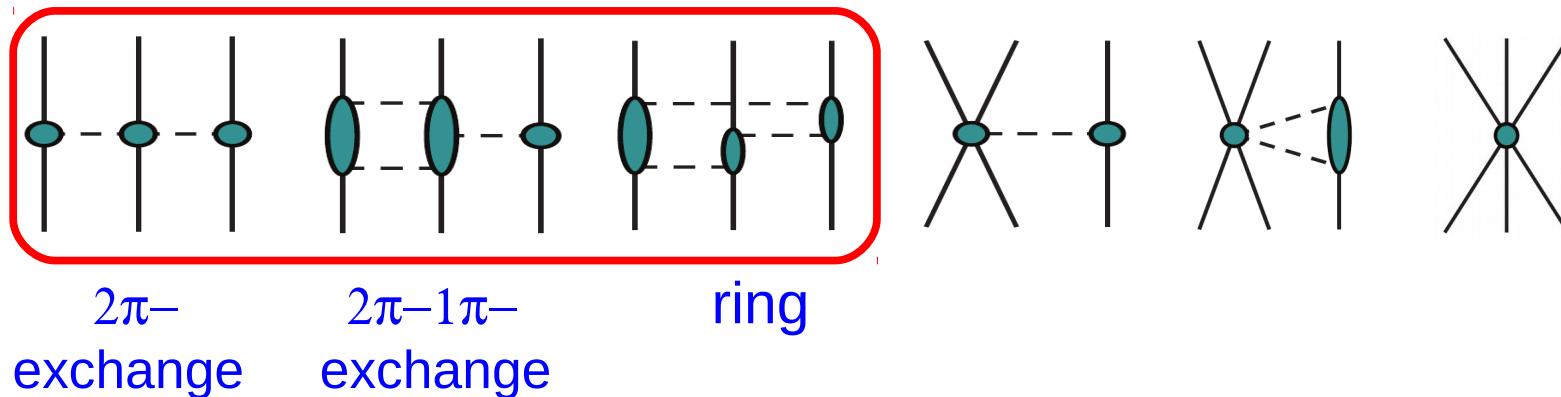
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| $N^4\text{LO}$ |  ...   | <div data-bbox="1239 1055 1916 1293"><p>Large contributions to the ring and <math>2\pi - 1\pi</math> topologies saturating some of the <math>N^{5,6}\text{LO}</math> graphs in the <math>\Delta</math>-less theory</p></div> |

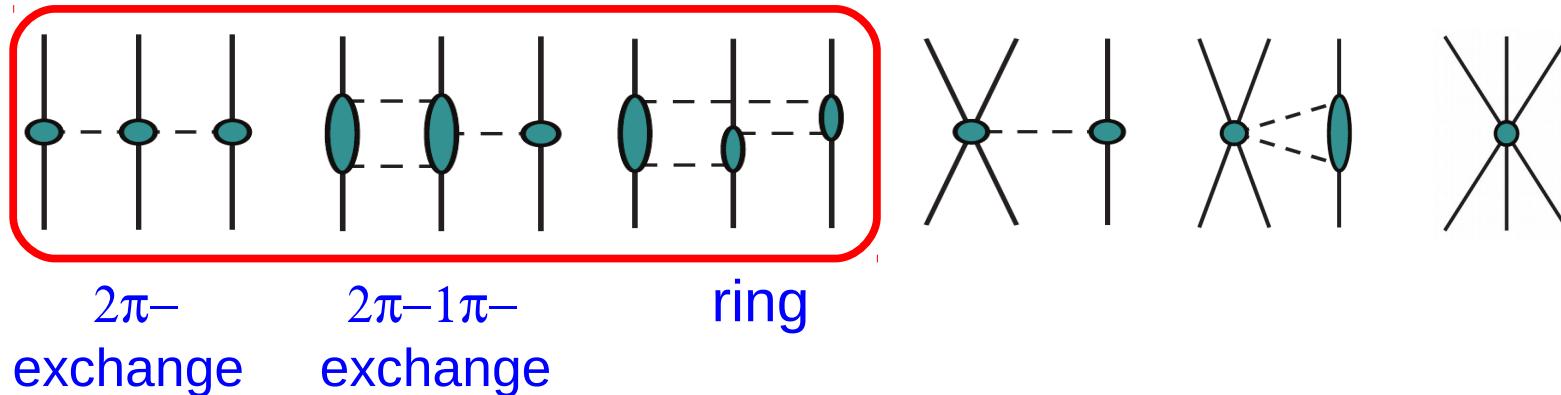
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- Only the long range part considered (coordinate space)
- Scheme independent
- No unknown parameters

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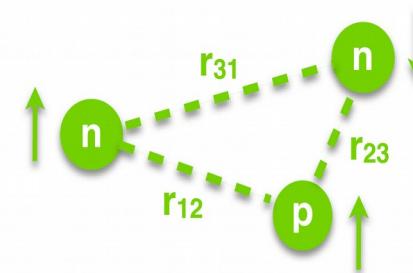
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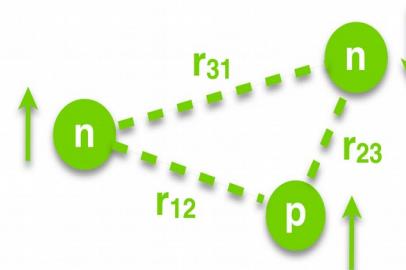
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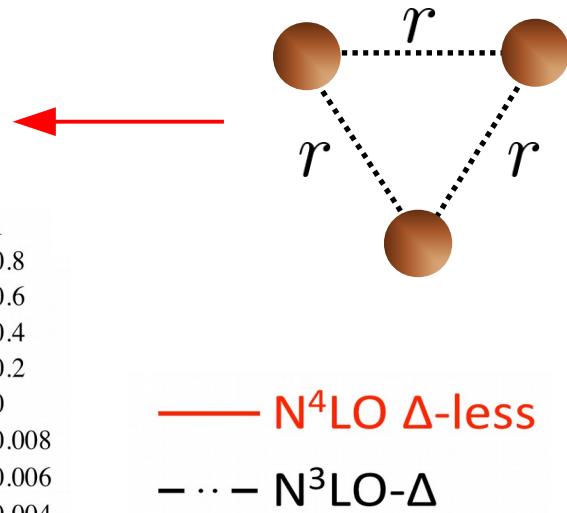
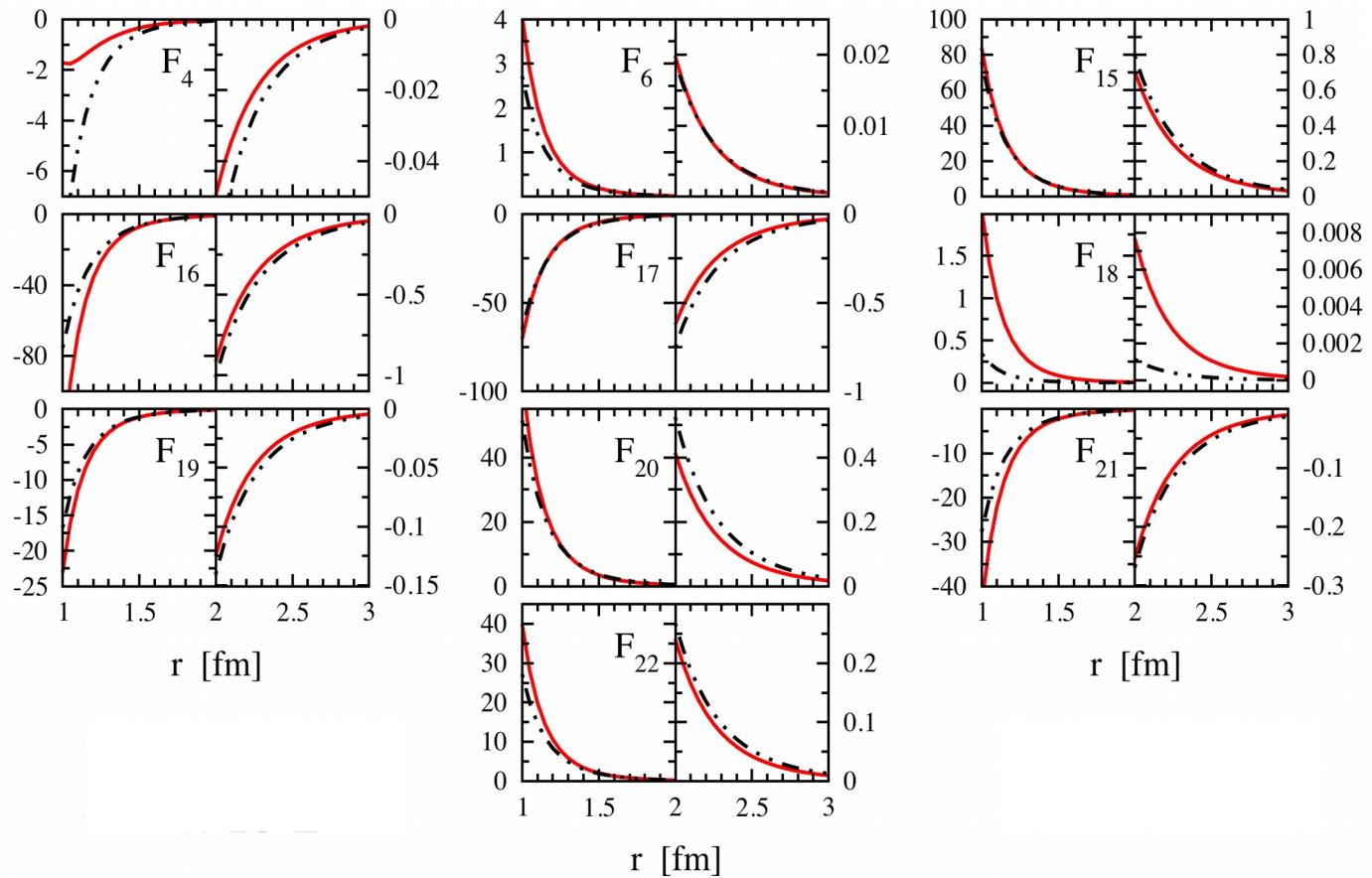


$$V_{3N} = \sum_{i=1}^{22} \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i F_i(r_{12}, r_{23}, r_{31}) + 5\text{perm.}$$

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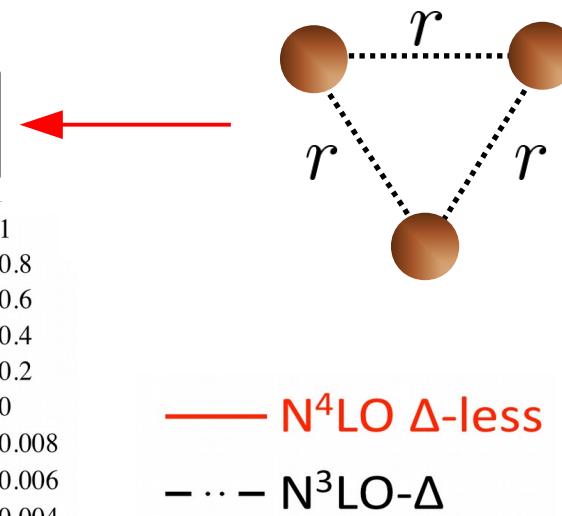
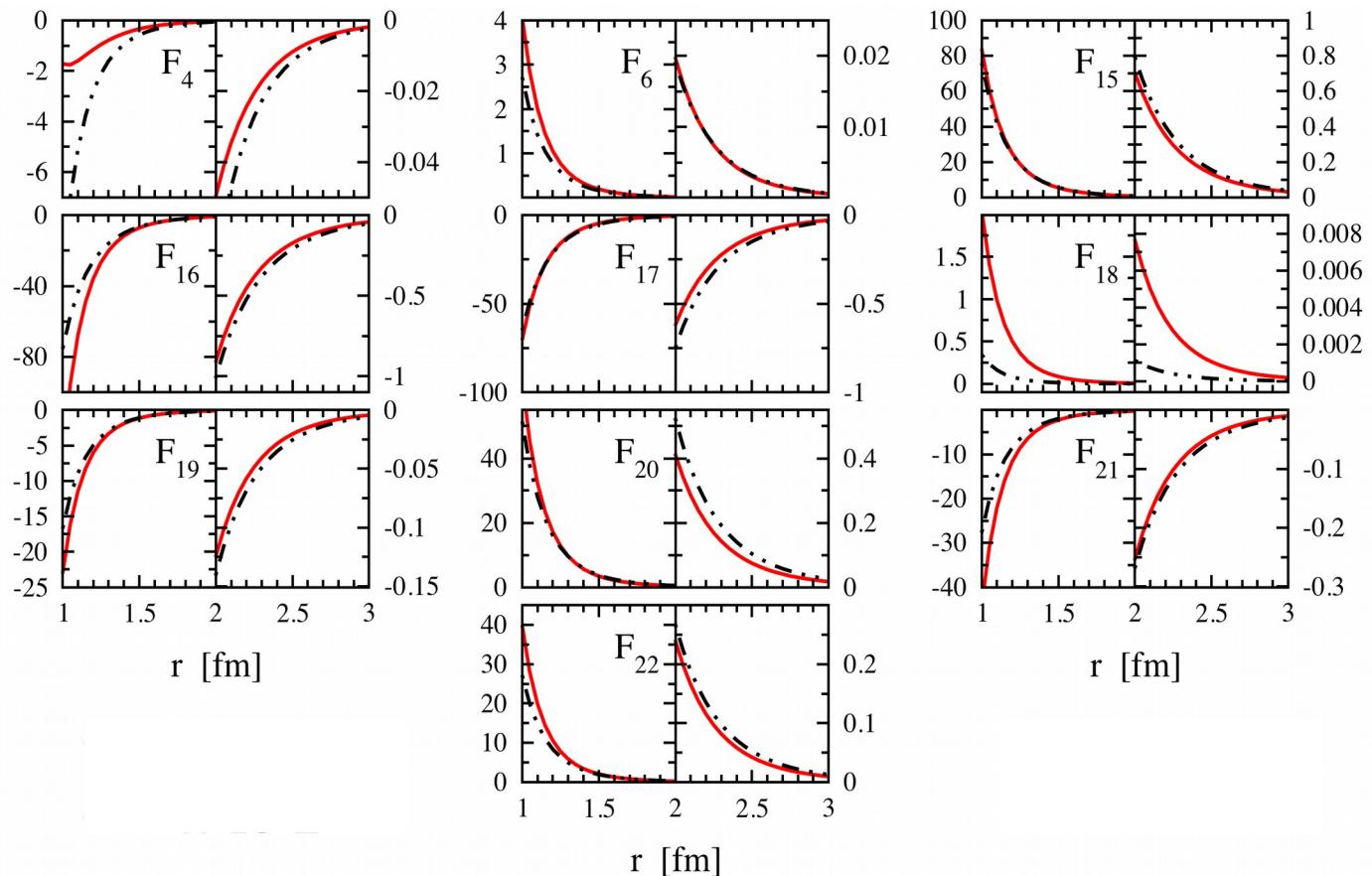


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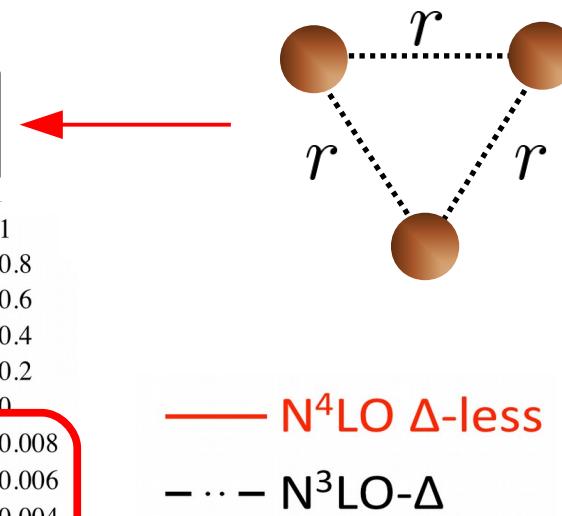
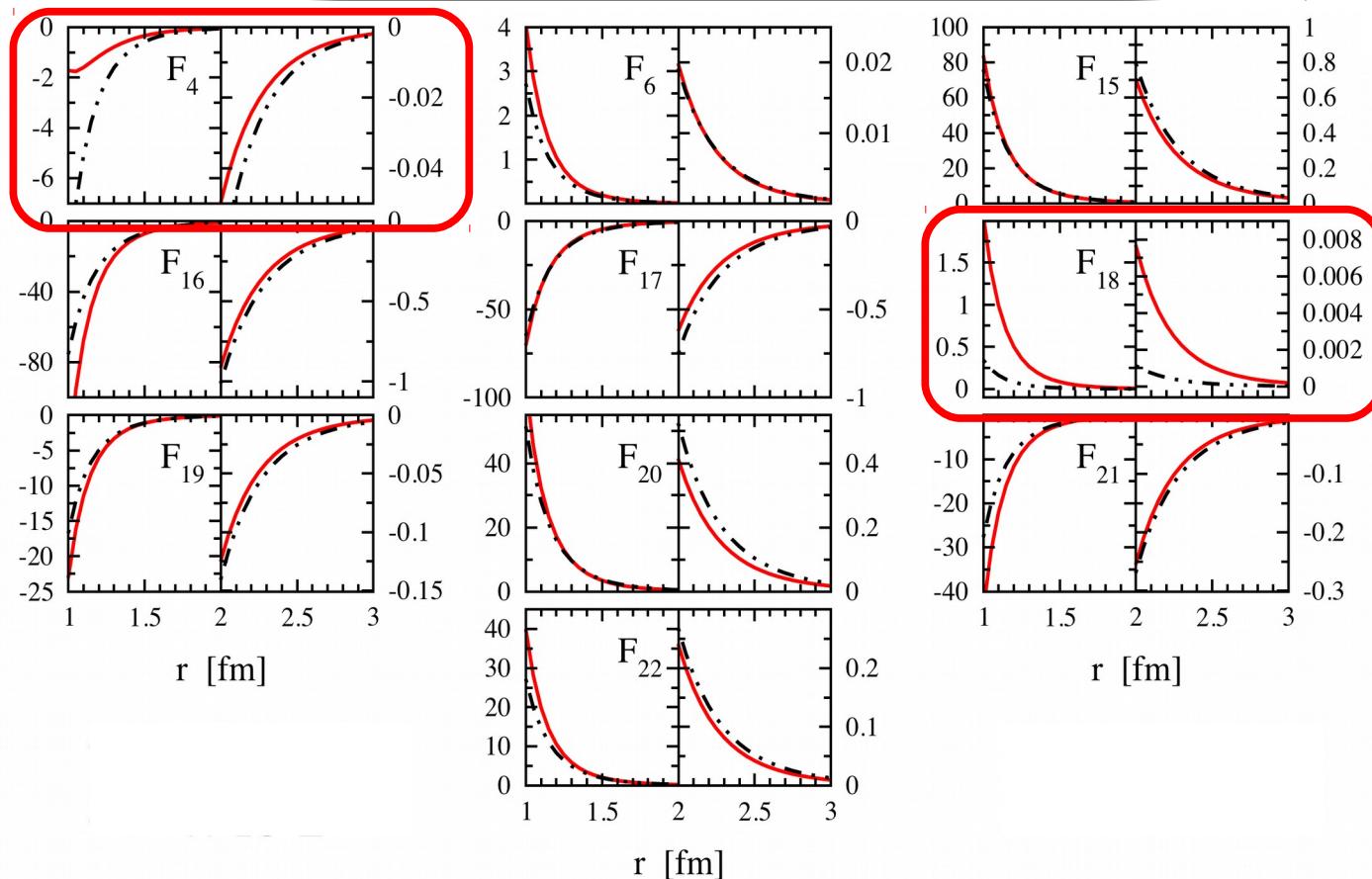
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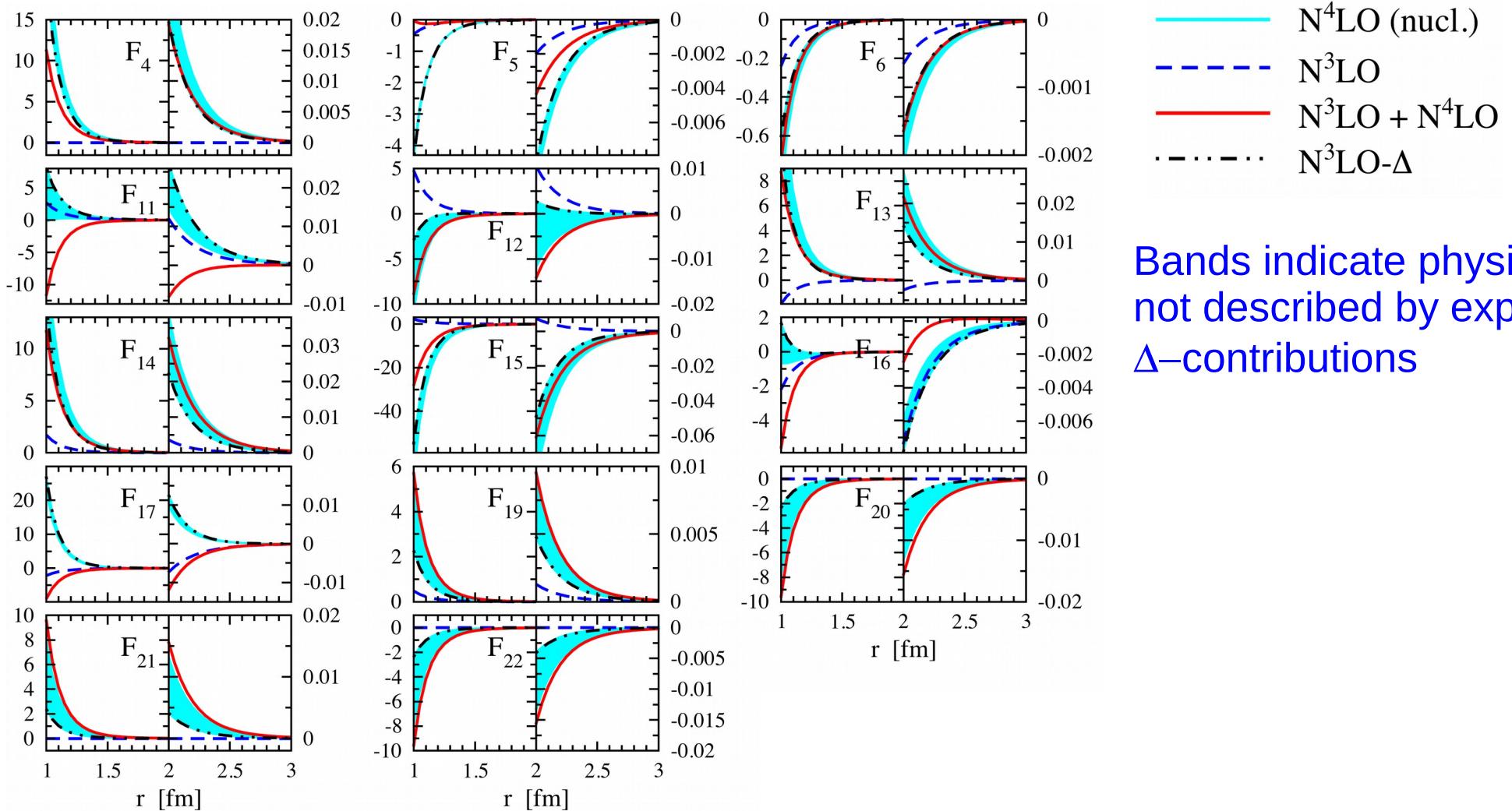
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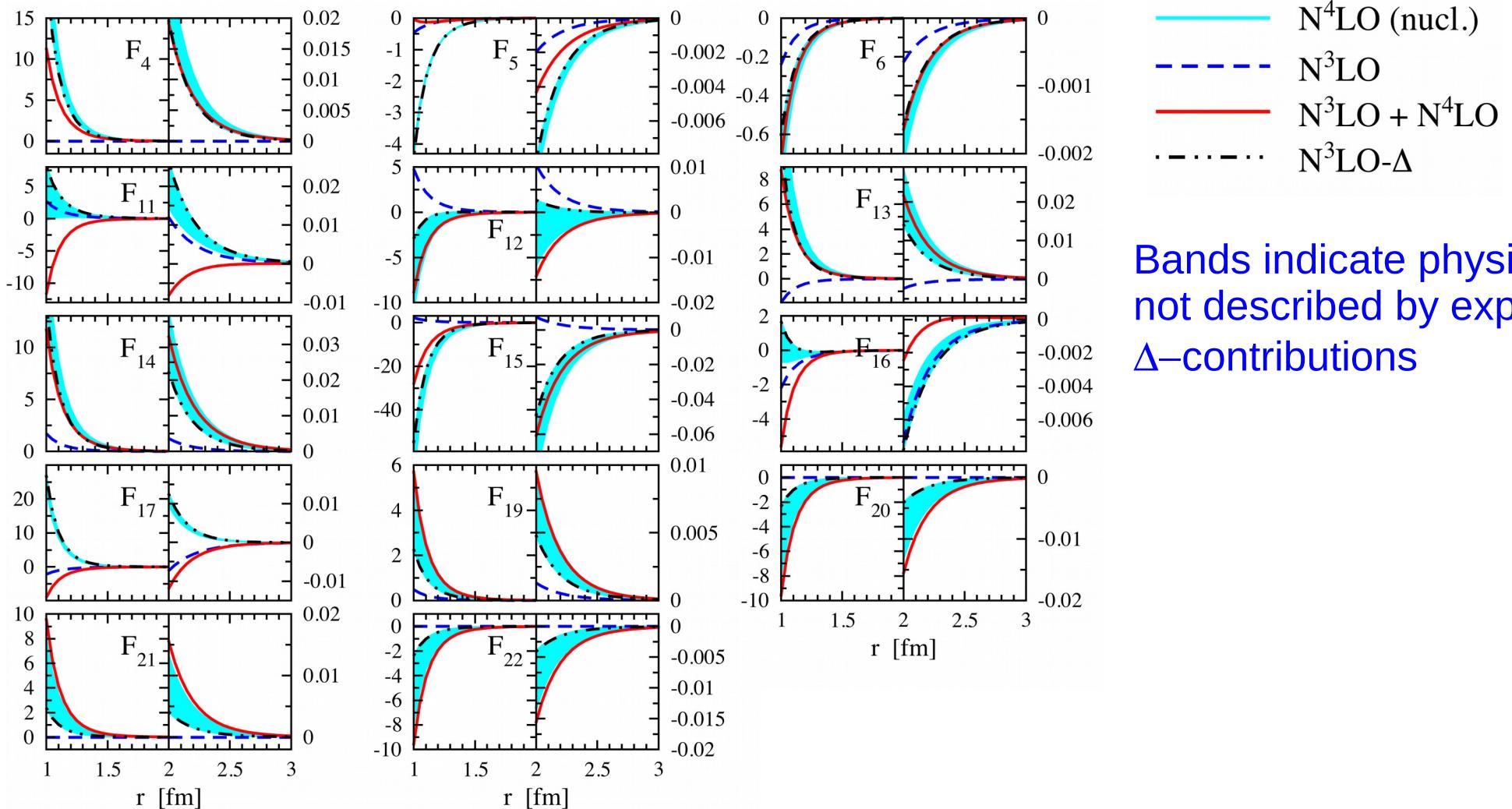
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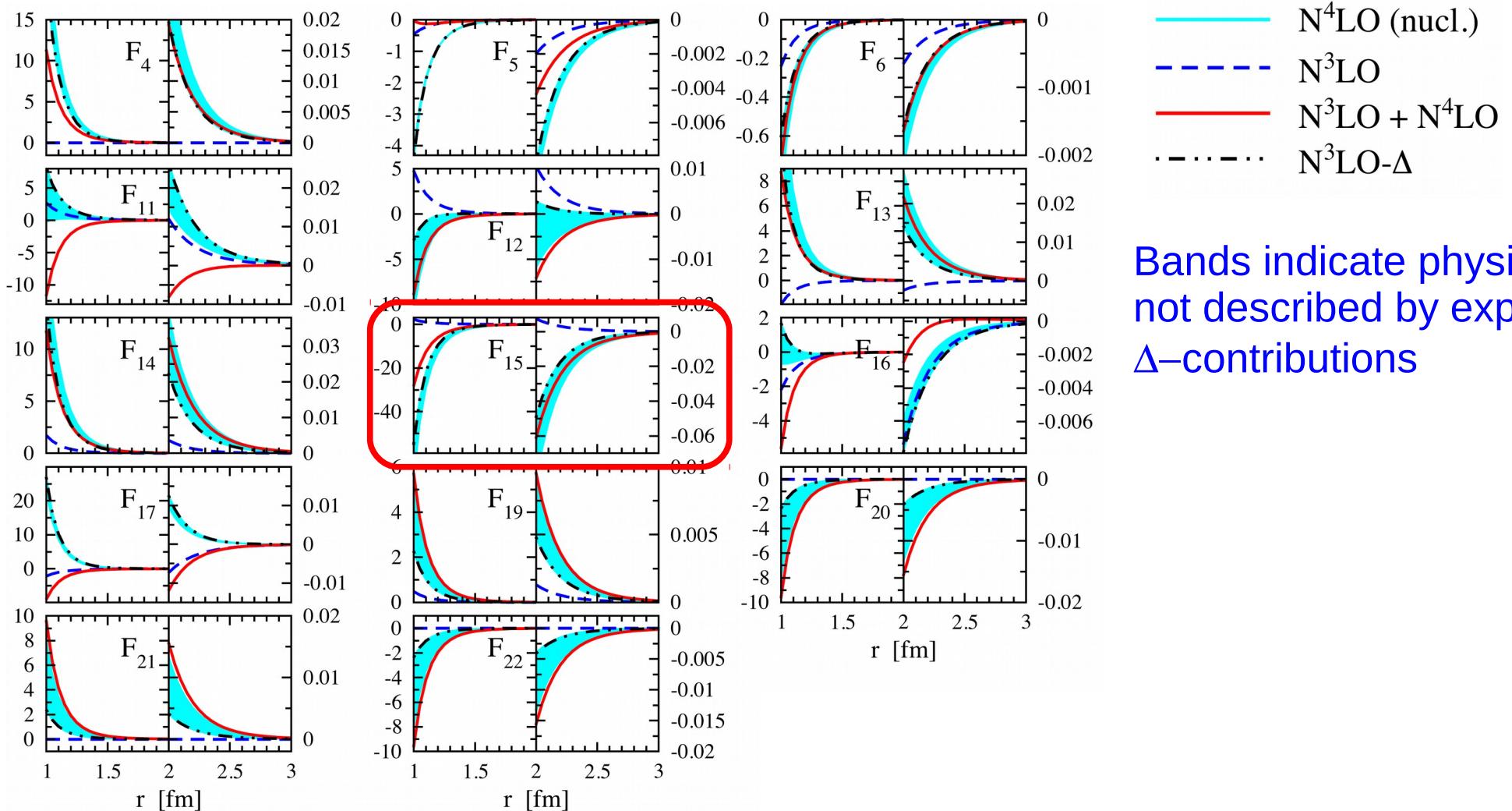
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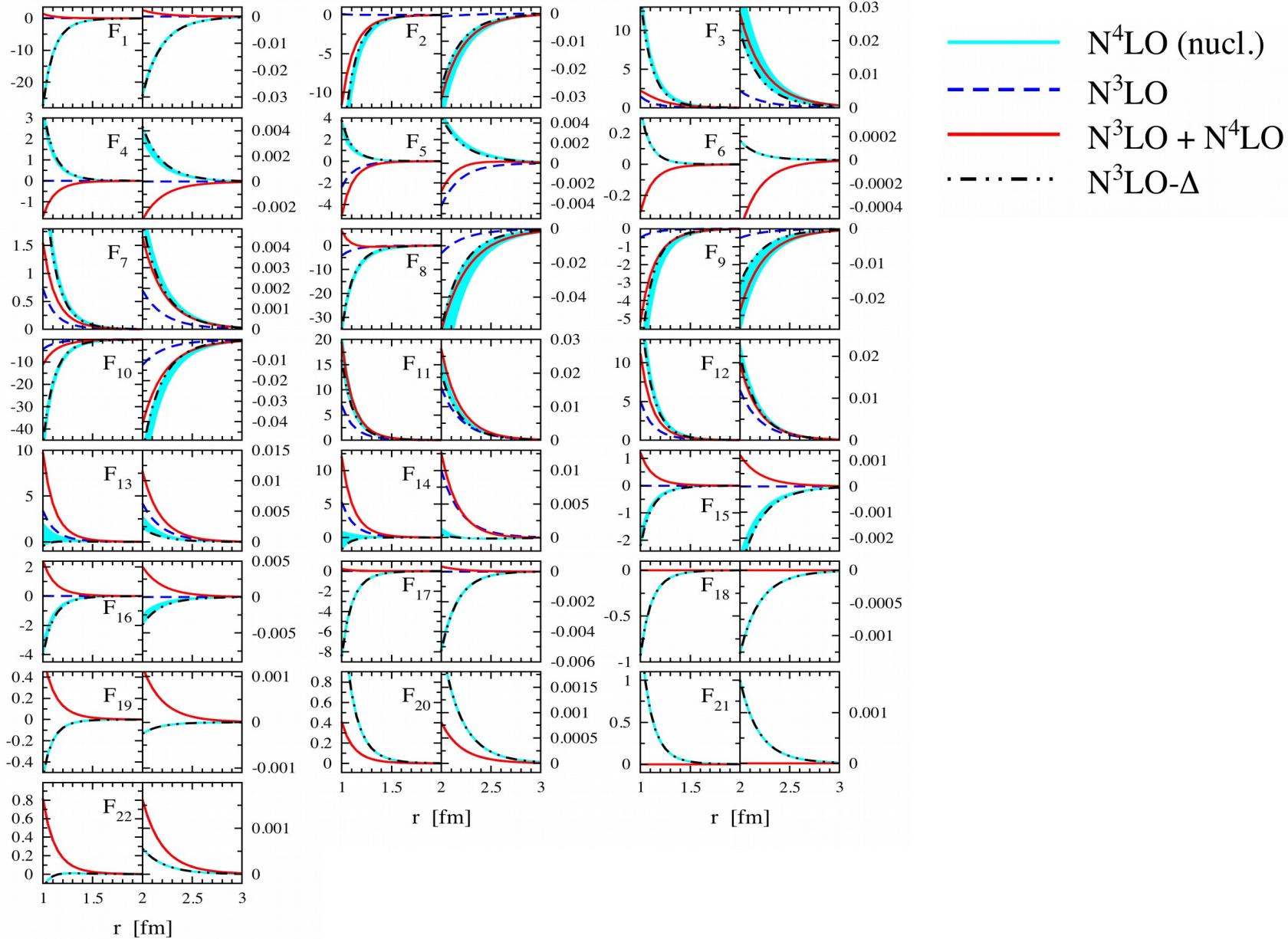
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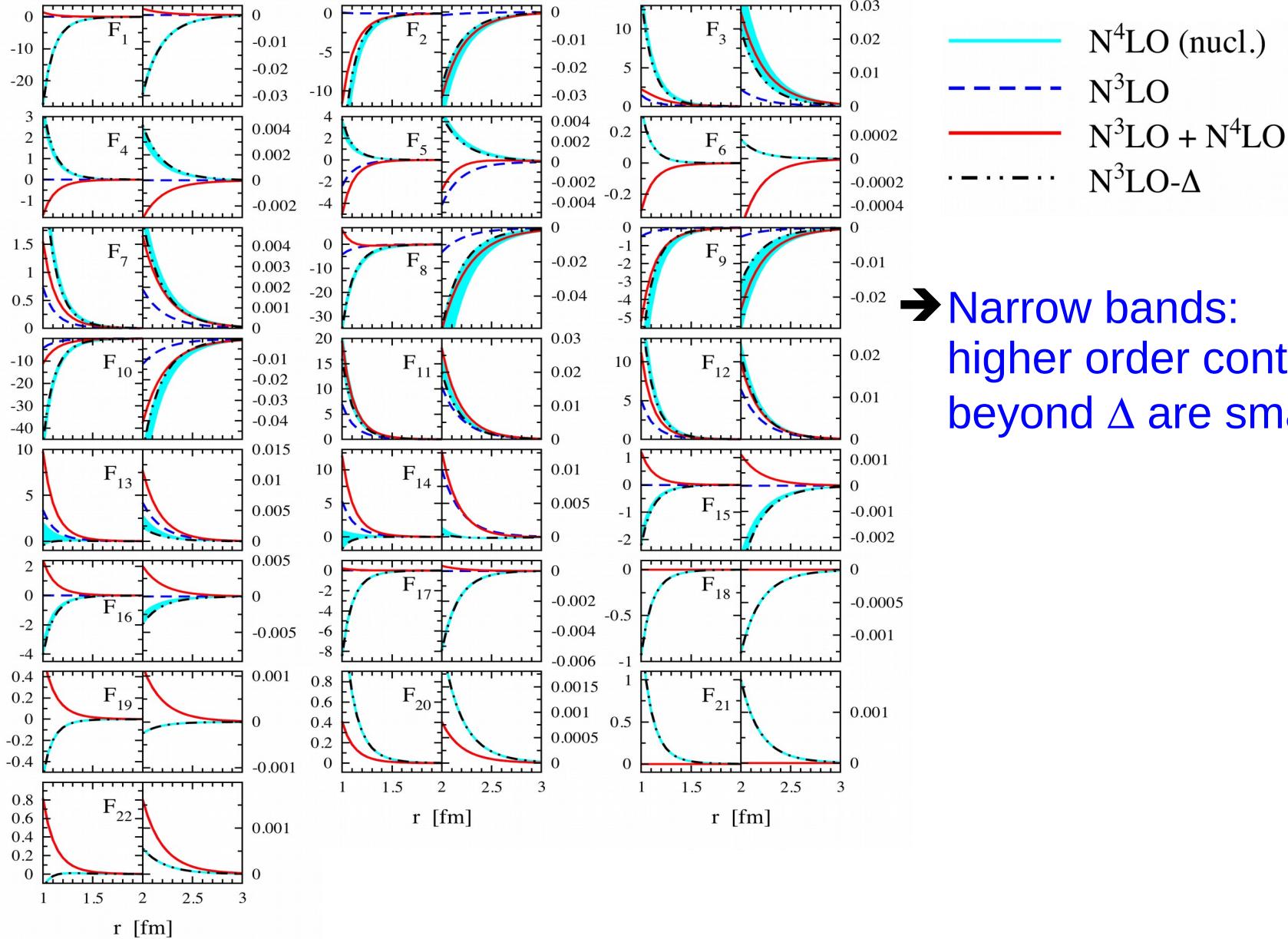
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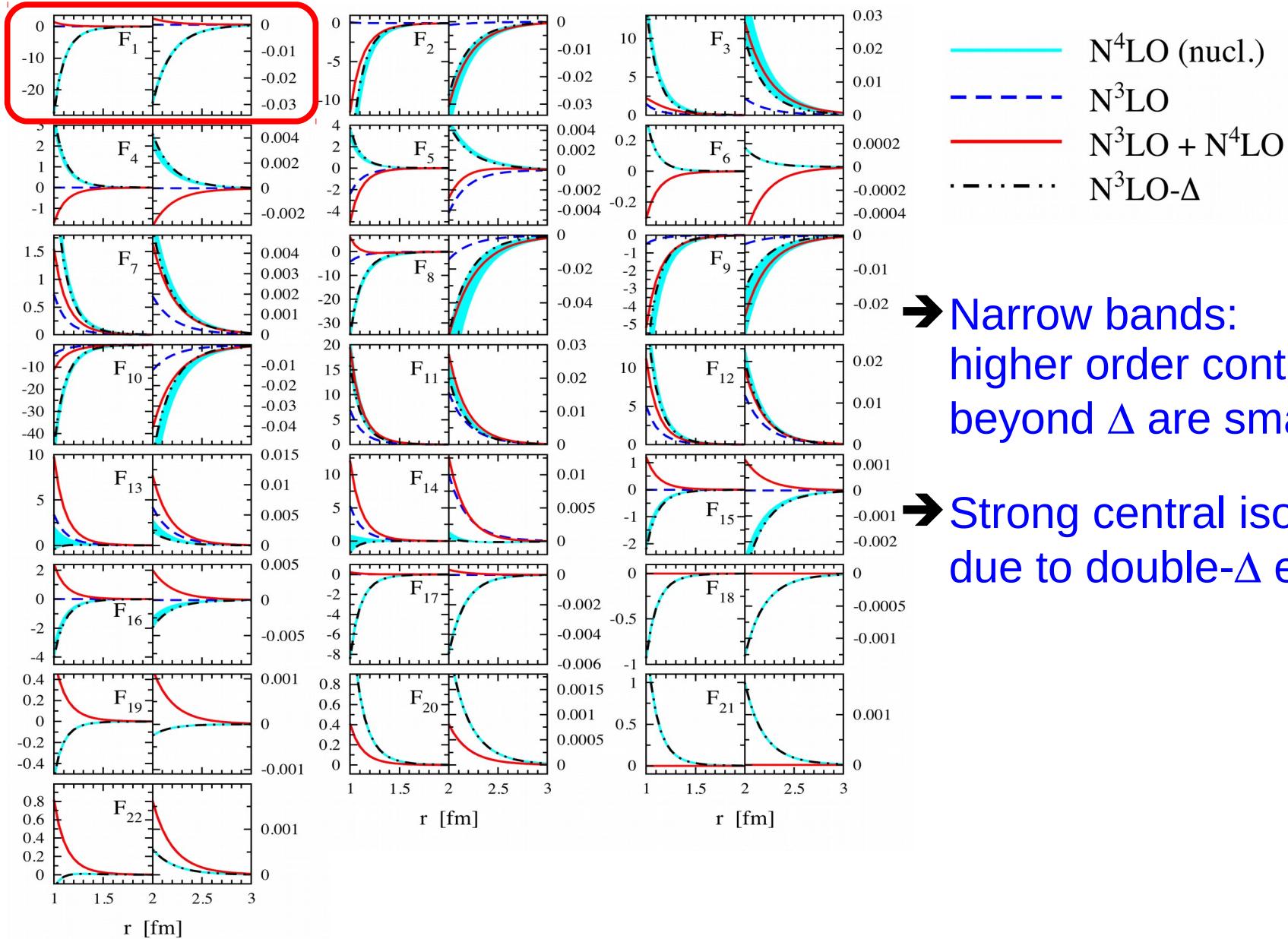


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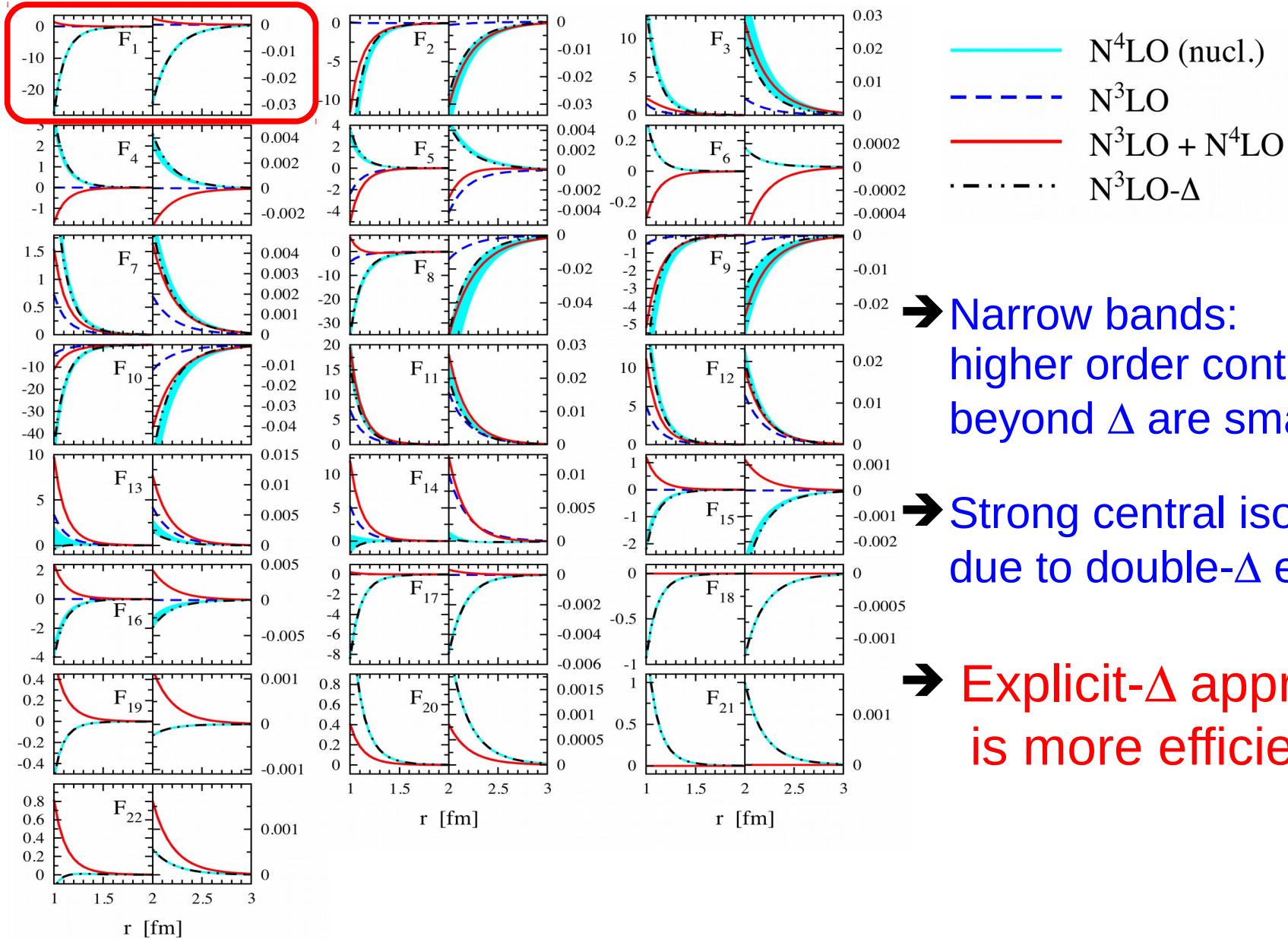
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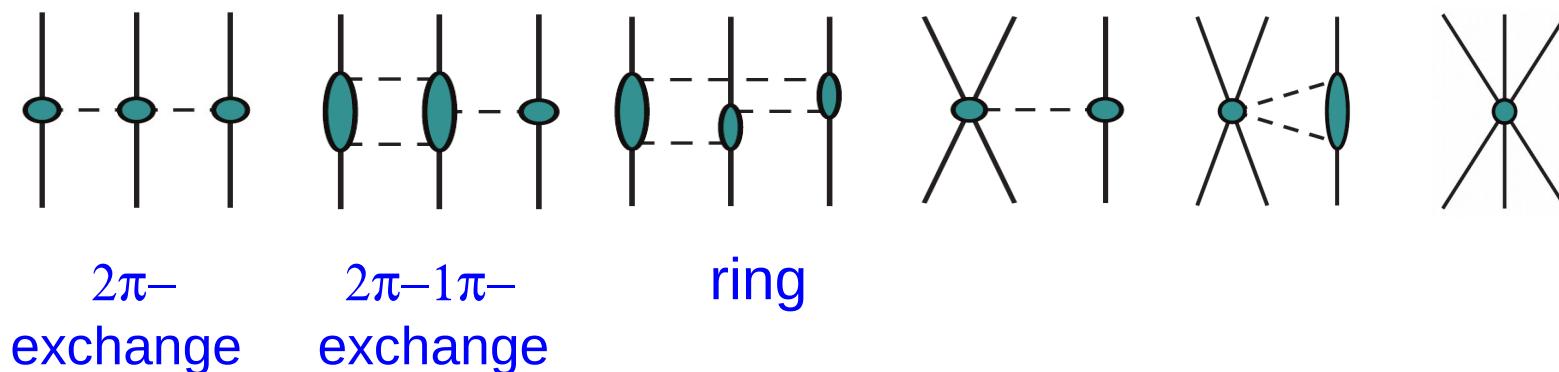
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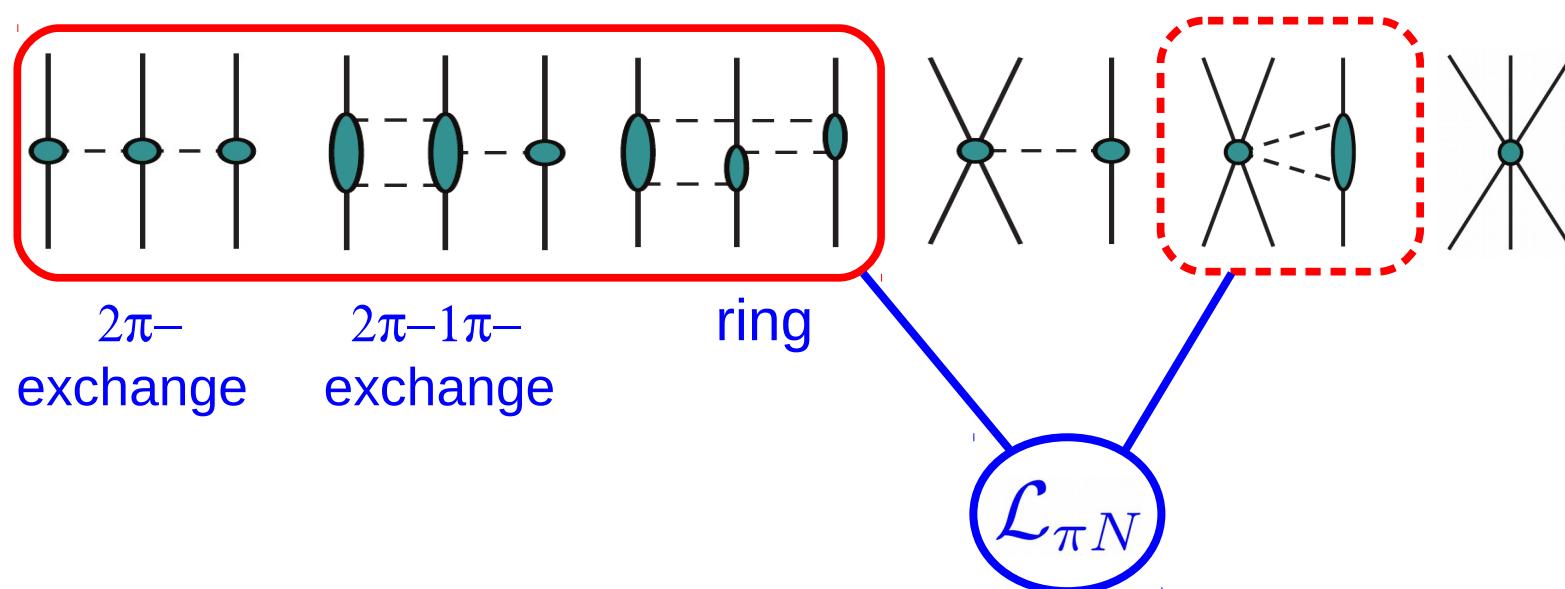
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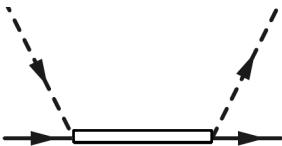
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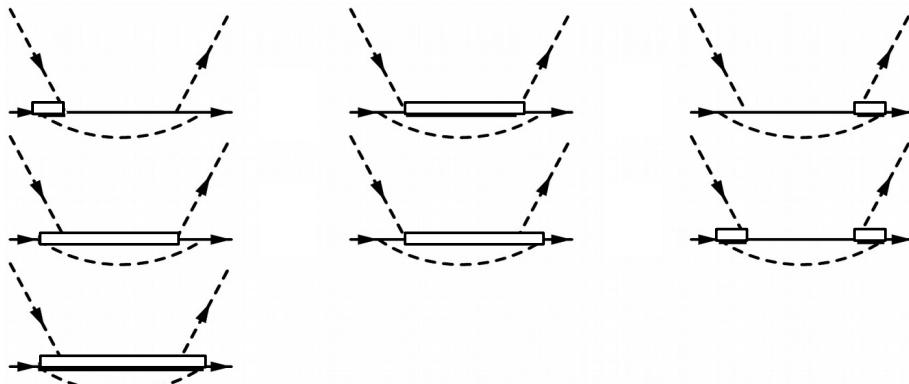
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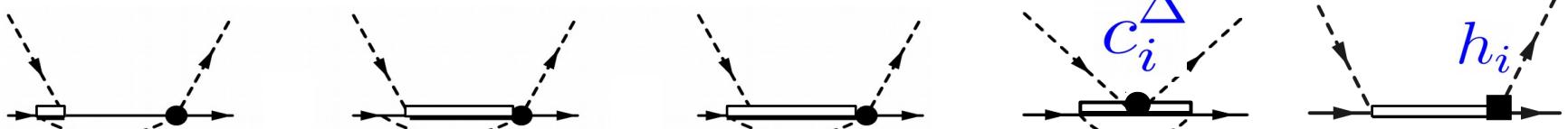
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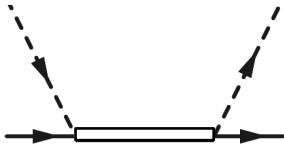
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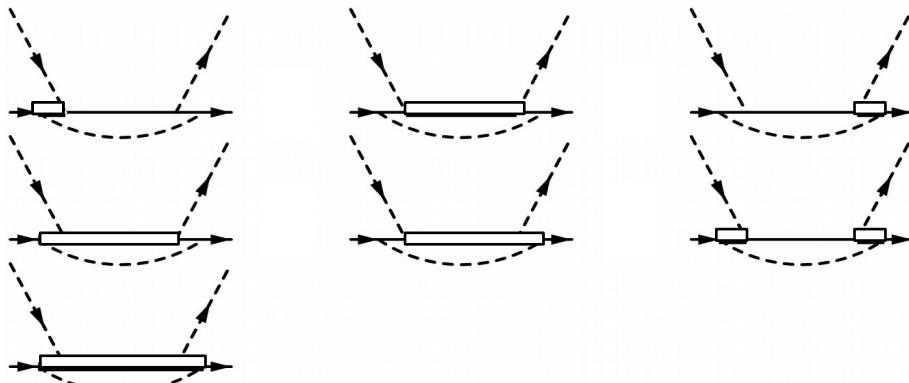
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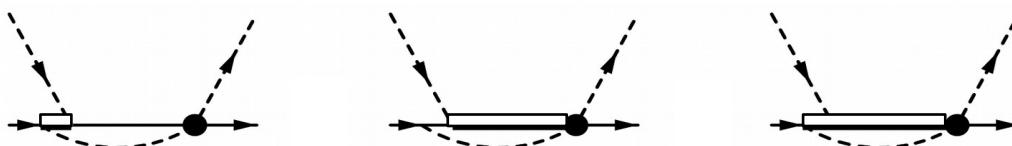
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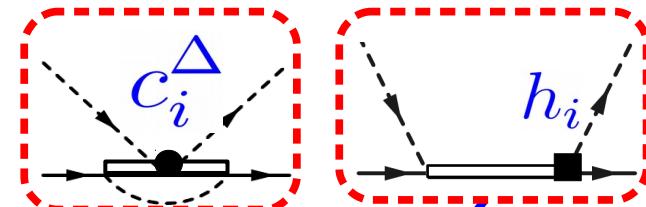
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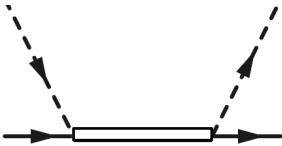
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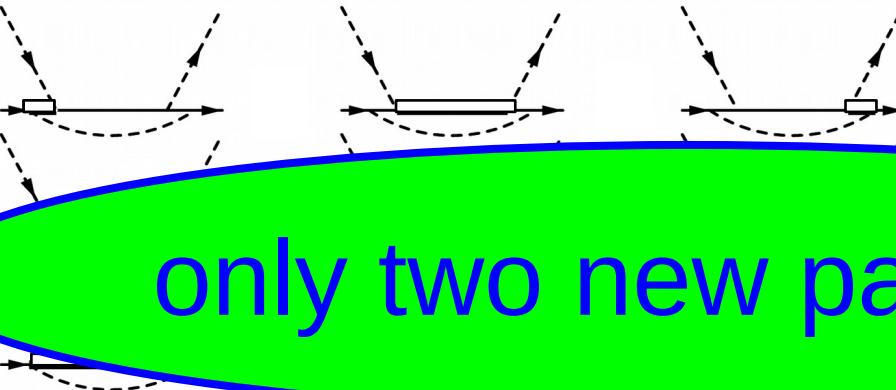
# $\pi N$ scattering up to $\varepsilon^4$

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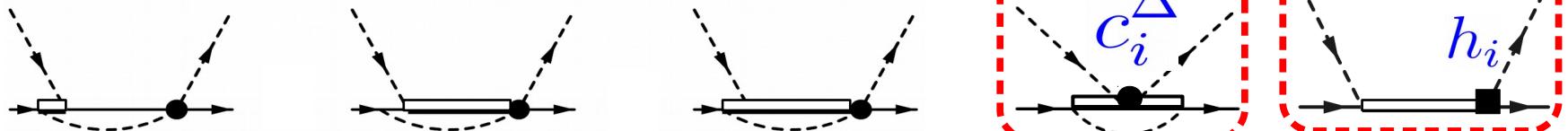
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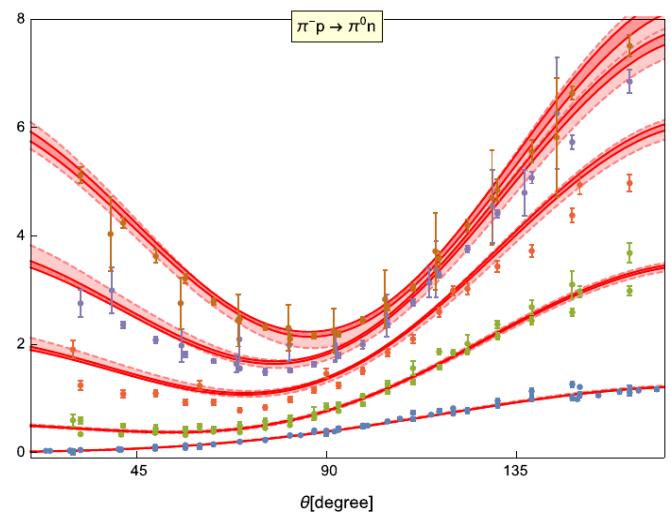
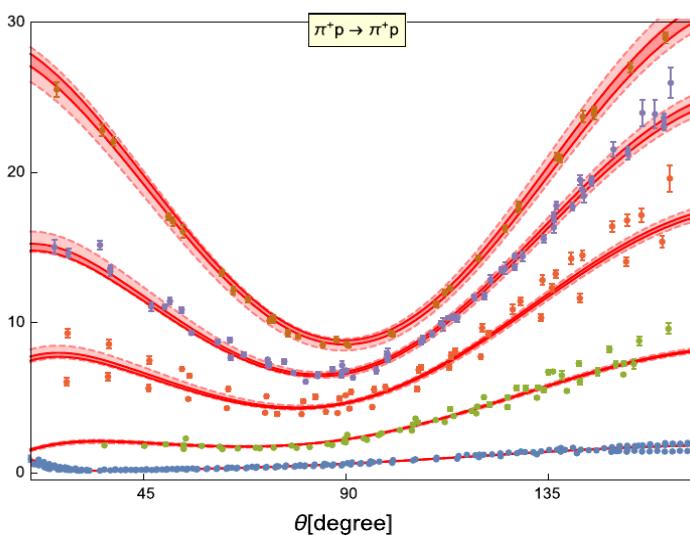
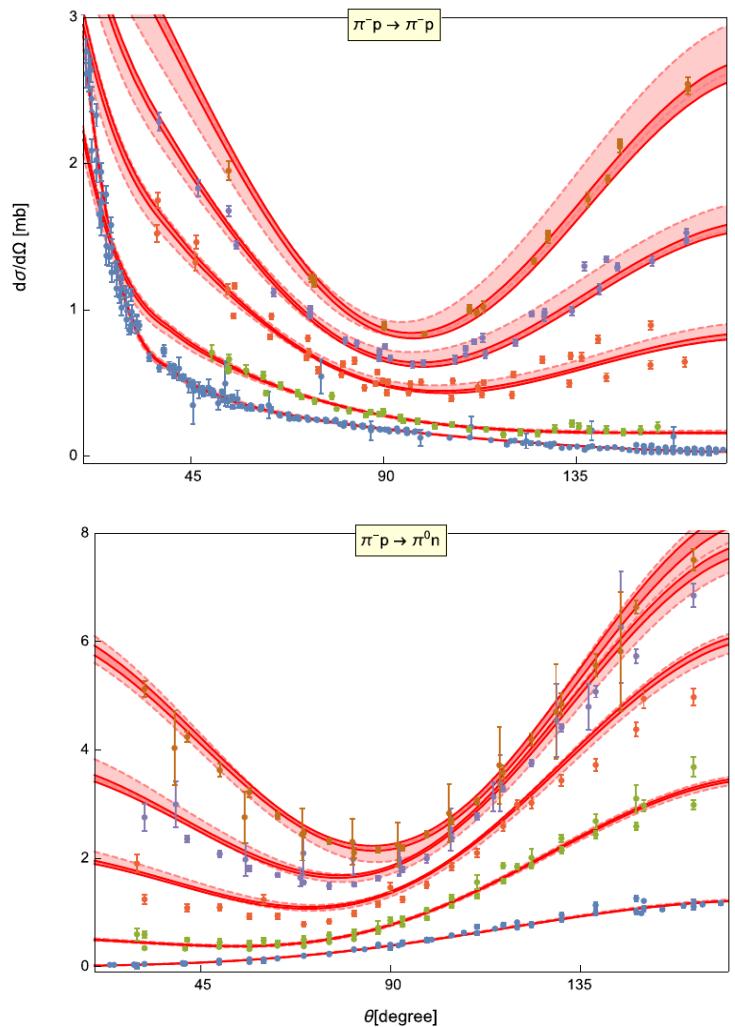
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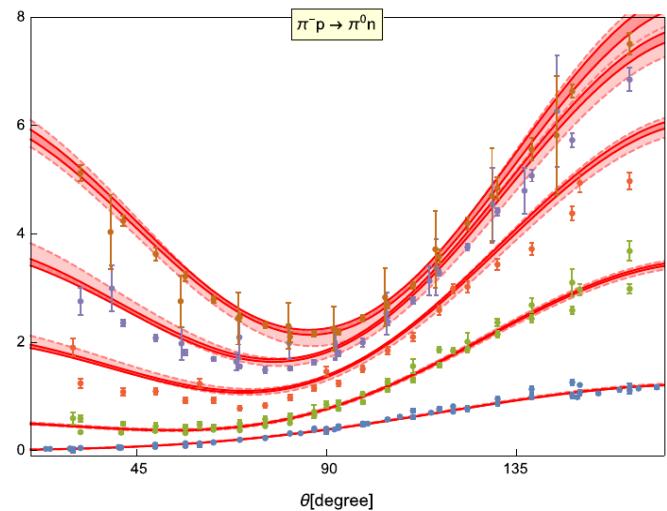
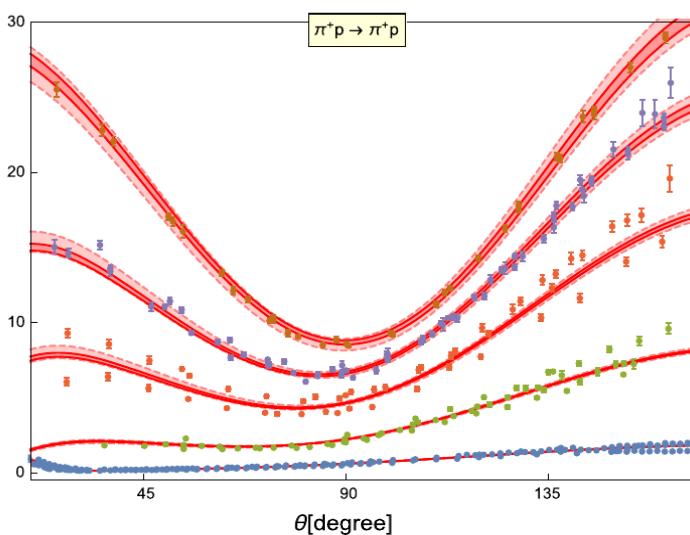
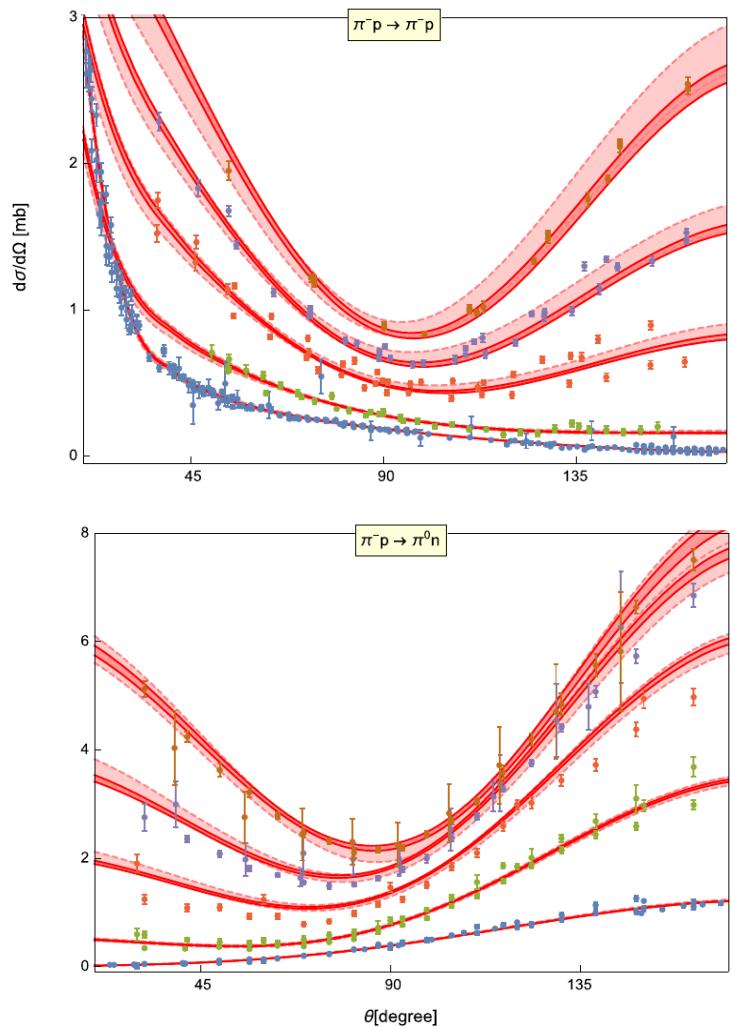
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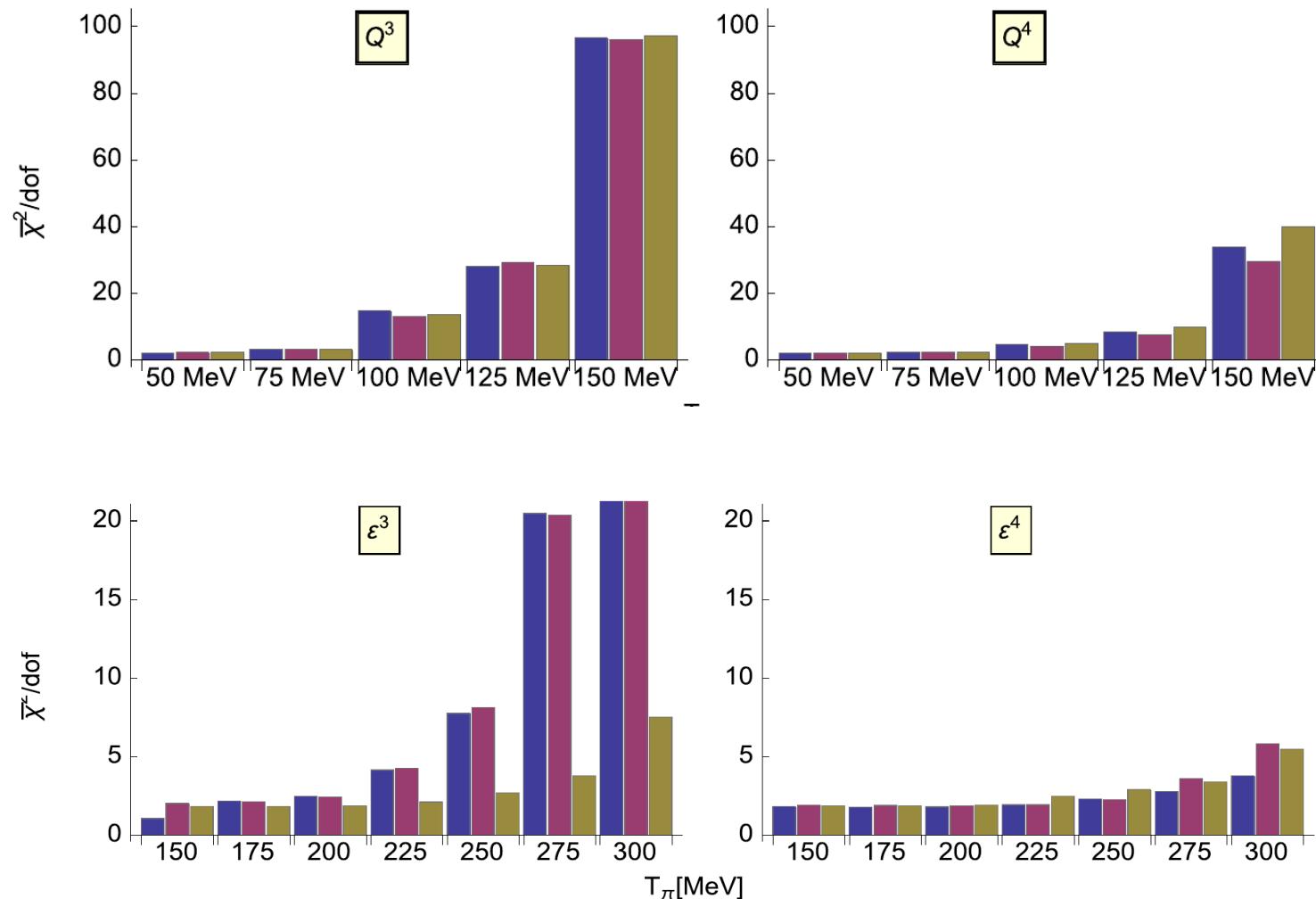
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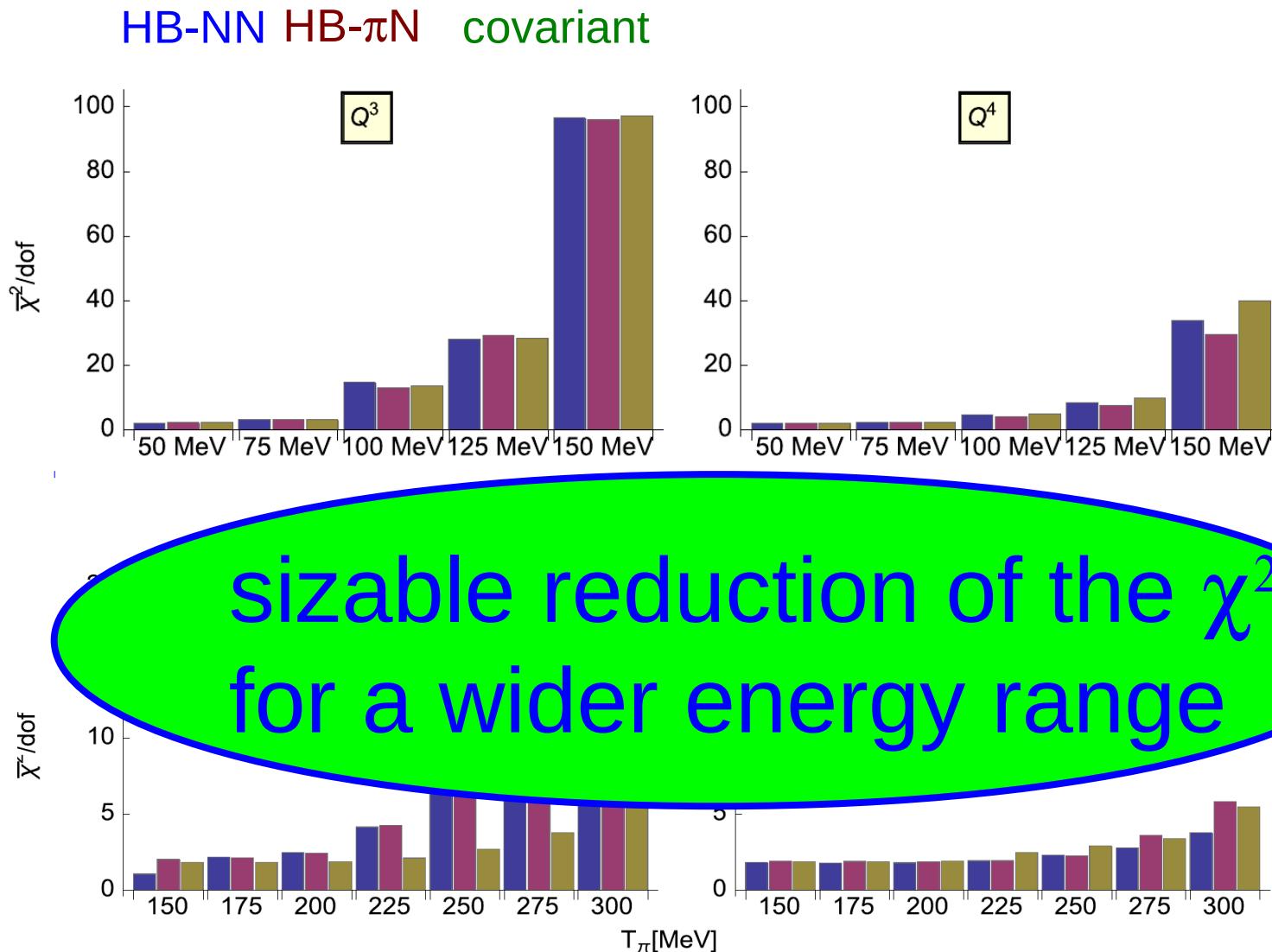
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HB-NN HB- $\pi N$  covariant



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# Summary

- Preliminary results for  $\Delta$ -full chiral 2-nucleon and 3-nucleon forces at  $N^3LO$  are presented
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- 3-nucleon forces: indication of a better convergence; sizable  $\Delta$ -contributions missing in  $\Delta$ -less  $N^4LO$  3NF  $\sim O(1/\Delta^2)$
- New results for  $\pi N$  scattering at order  $\varepsilon^4$ : much better fit to data

# Outlook

- Completing construction of  $\Delta$ -full chiral 2N and 3N forces at  $N^3LO$  and moving forward to even more precise nuclear forces.