

*Precision predictions of pionless EFT and  
fine tuning in chiral EFT*

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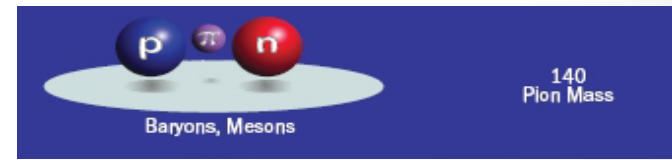
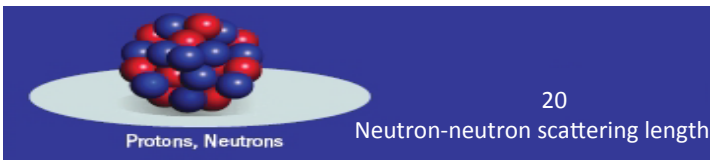
# Two QCD EFTs

## $\pi$ EFT

- Large scattering length: *Nucleons interacting via contact interactions* -- Efimov dominates 3-body problem, and power counting
- Origin: *low-energy QCD accidentally close to unitarity.*
- Very low energies  $\rightarrow$  very light nuclei & low-energy reactions.
- **allows a different approach to assess theoretical uncertainty:**
  - Renormalizable QFT at LO and NLO – showing cutoff independence, with almost no power counting issues
  - Can be expanded about different momenta – few variations of the EFT
  - Few LECs, i.e.,  $\pi$ EFT is not a statistical optimization problem.

## $\chi$ EFT

- Pion dominated theory: *Nucleons interacting via pion exchanges and contacts.*
- Origin: *Standard Model broken chiral symmetry  $SU(2)_R \times SU(2)_L$*
- Wide range of applications.
- A main challenge:  
**multivariable systematic uncertainty quantifications in a non-renormalizable theory:**
  - Statistical optimization
  - Bayesian
  - Order by order





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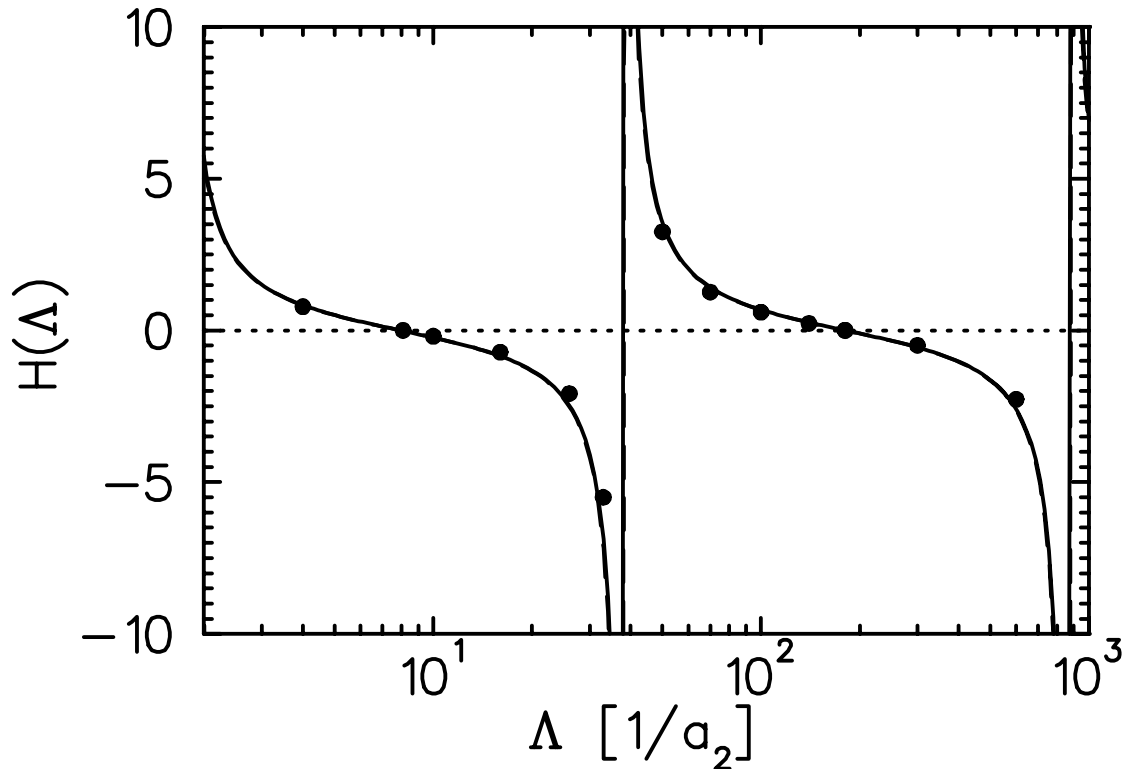
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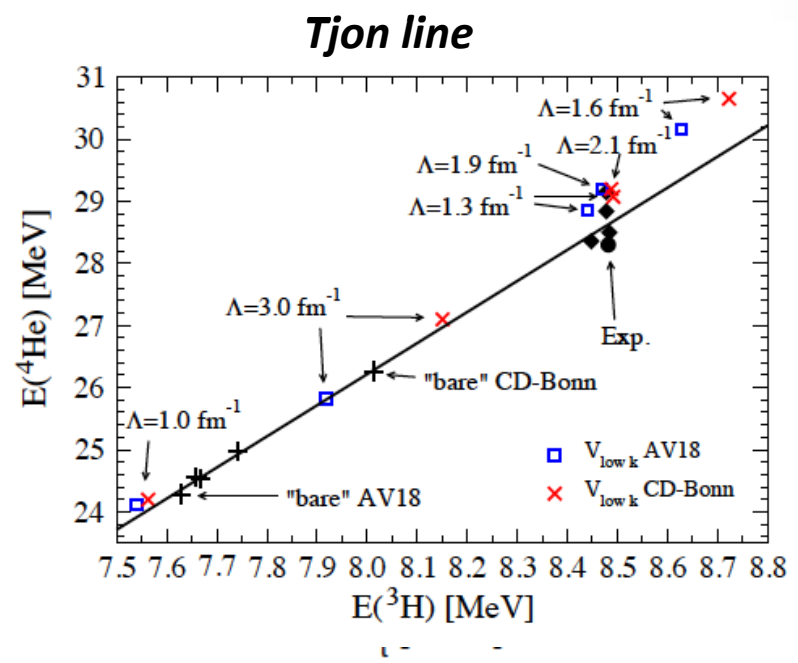
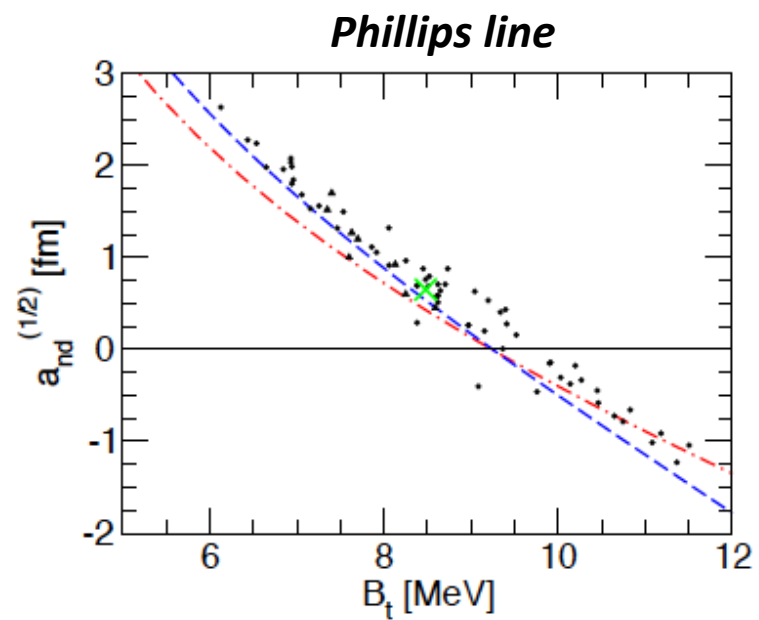
*Bedaque, Hammer, van-Kolck: (1999)*

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# $\pi$ EFT – and Correlations in light nuclei

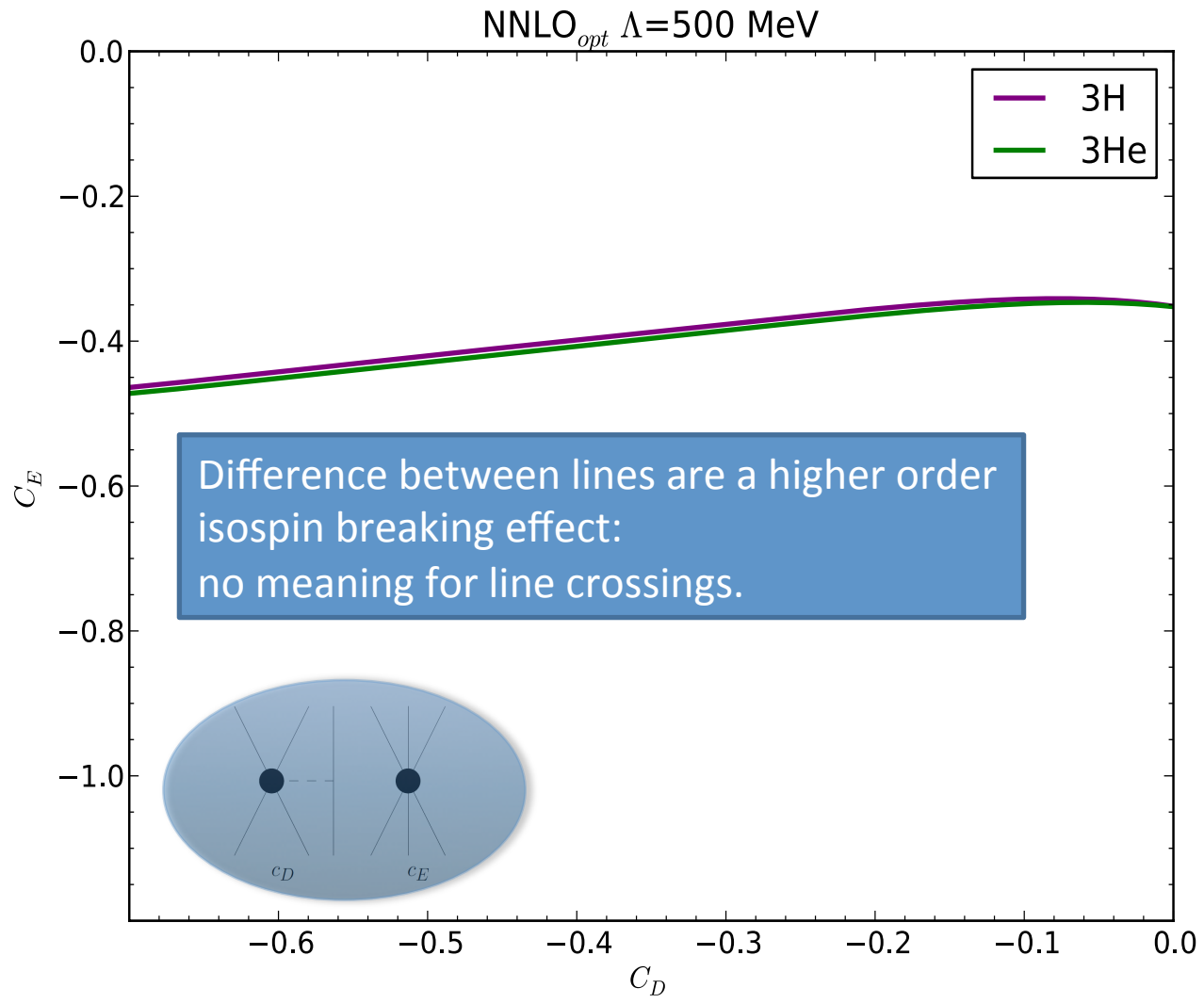
- No 4 body parameter at LO.
- One 3b force – one line!
- Tjon/Phillips correlation originate in Efimov physics.



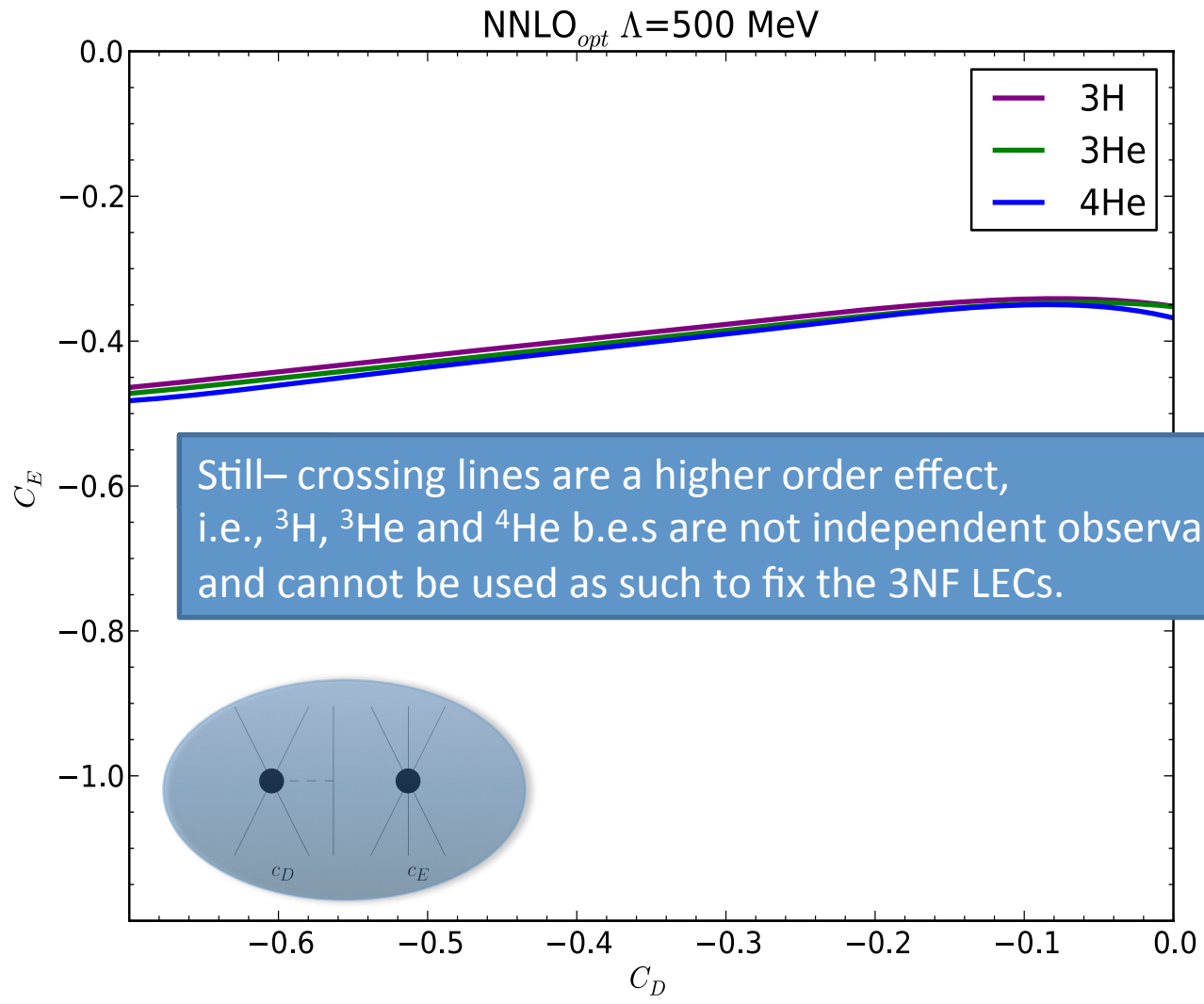
Platter (2006), Platter, Hammer, Meissner (2005), Kirscher, Griesshammer, Hofmann (2007)

Nogga, Bogner, Schwenk (2005)

# $\chi$ EFT – three body problem in the $(c_D, c_E)$ plane.

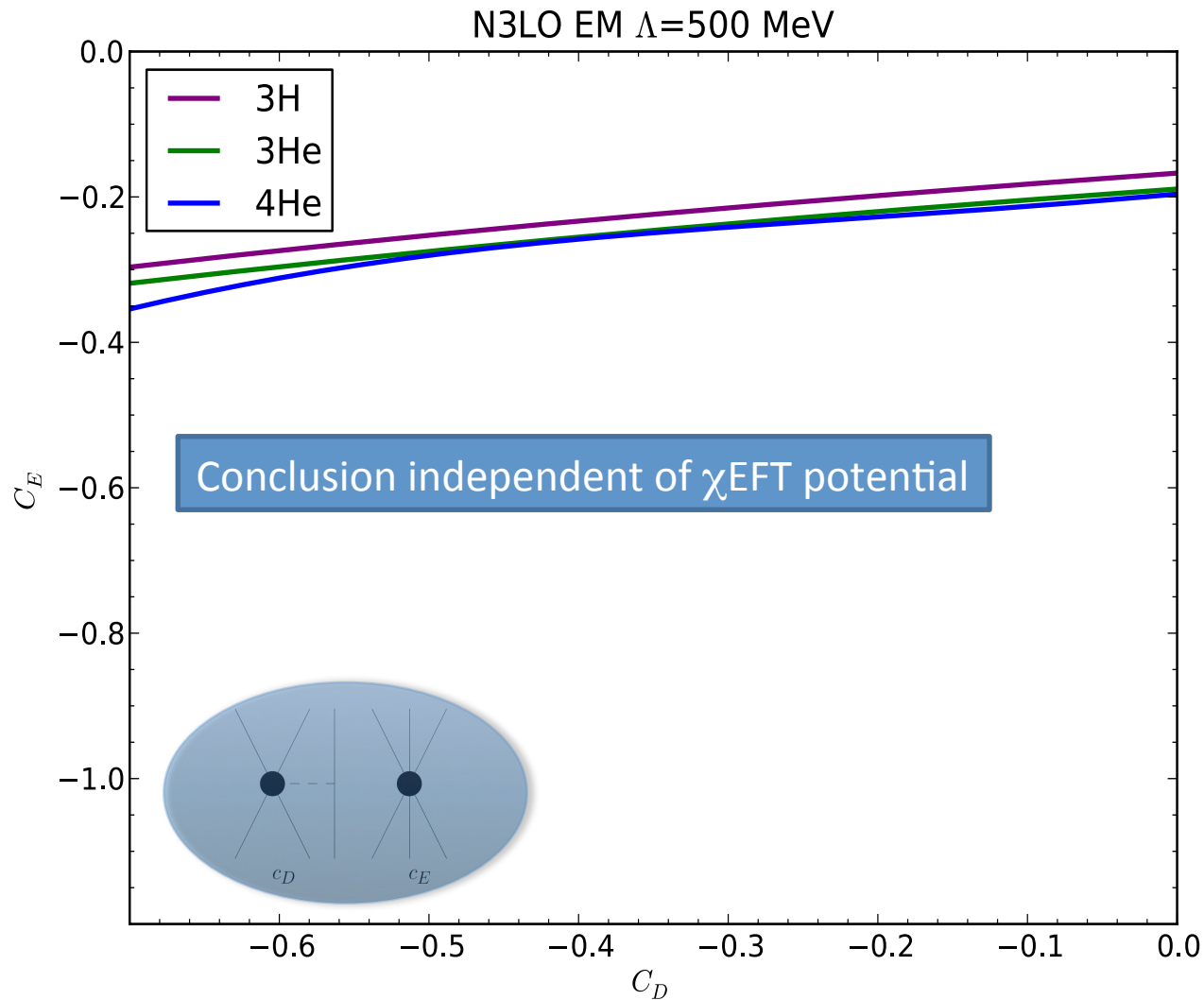


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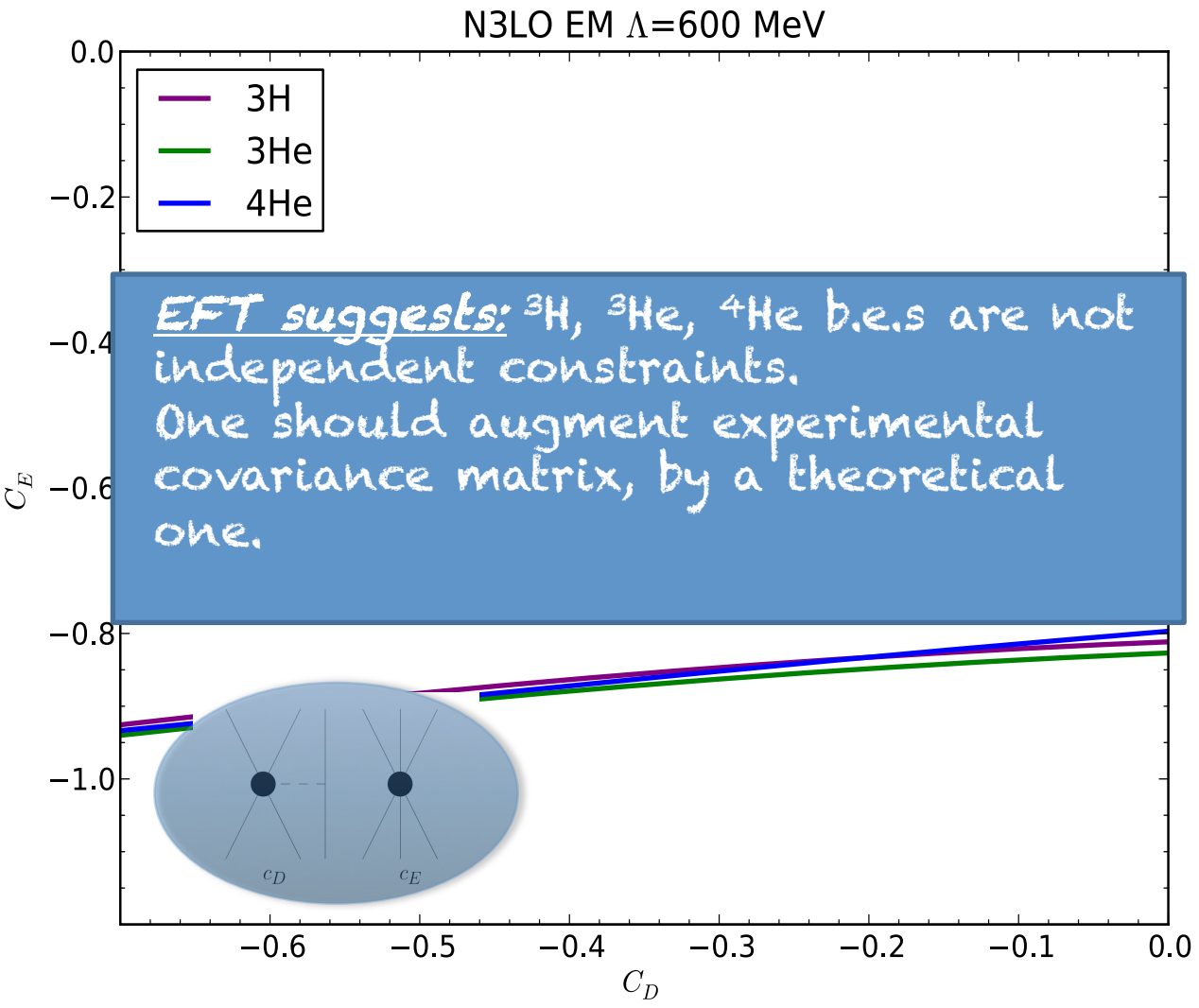




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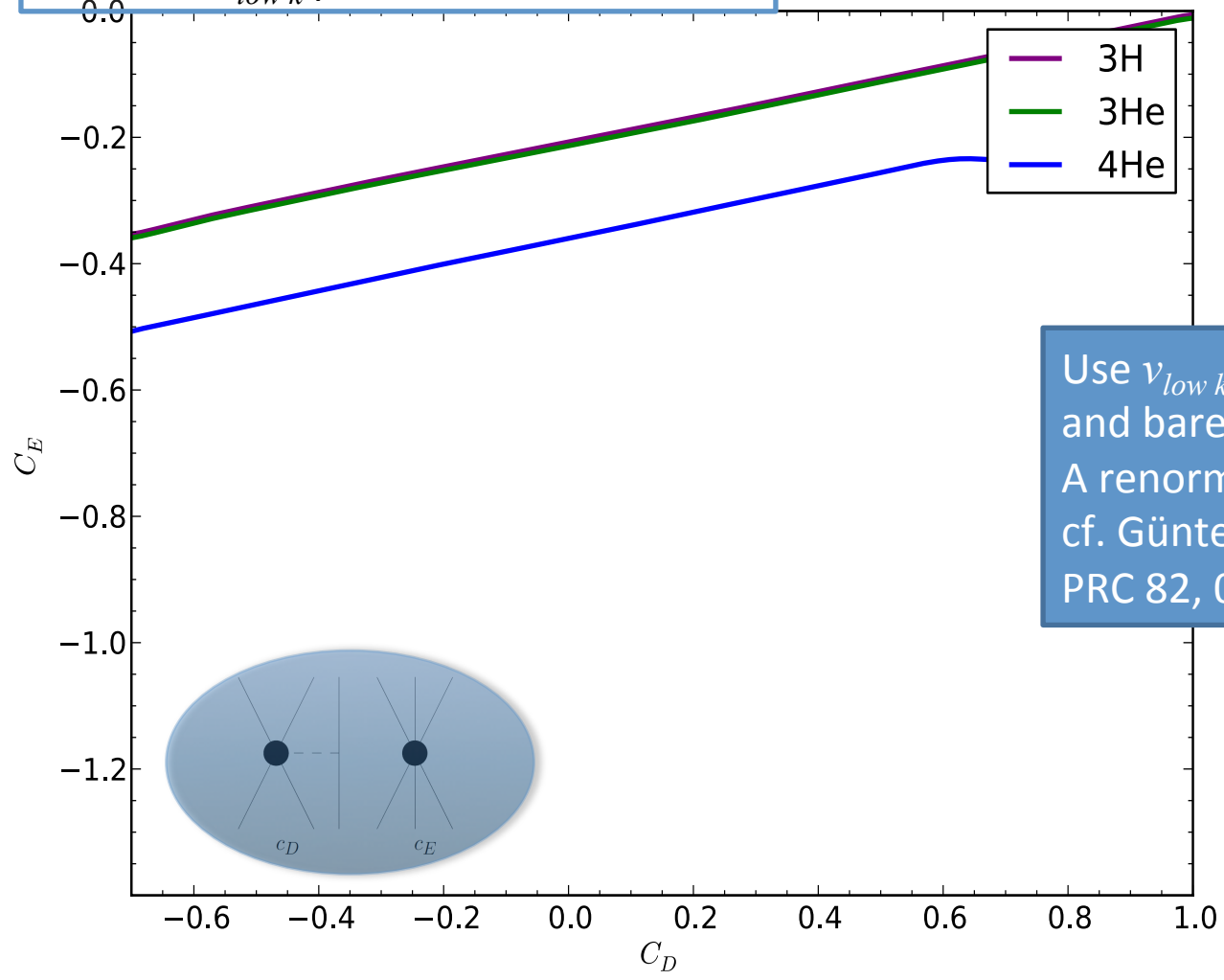


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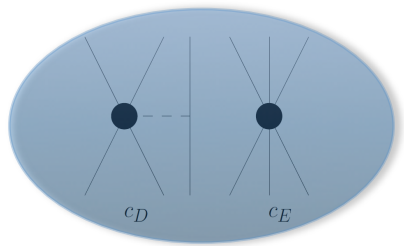


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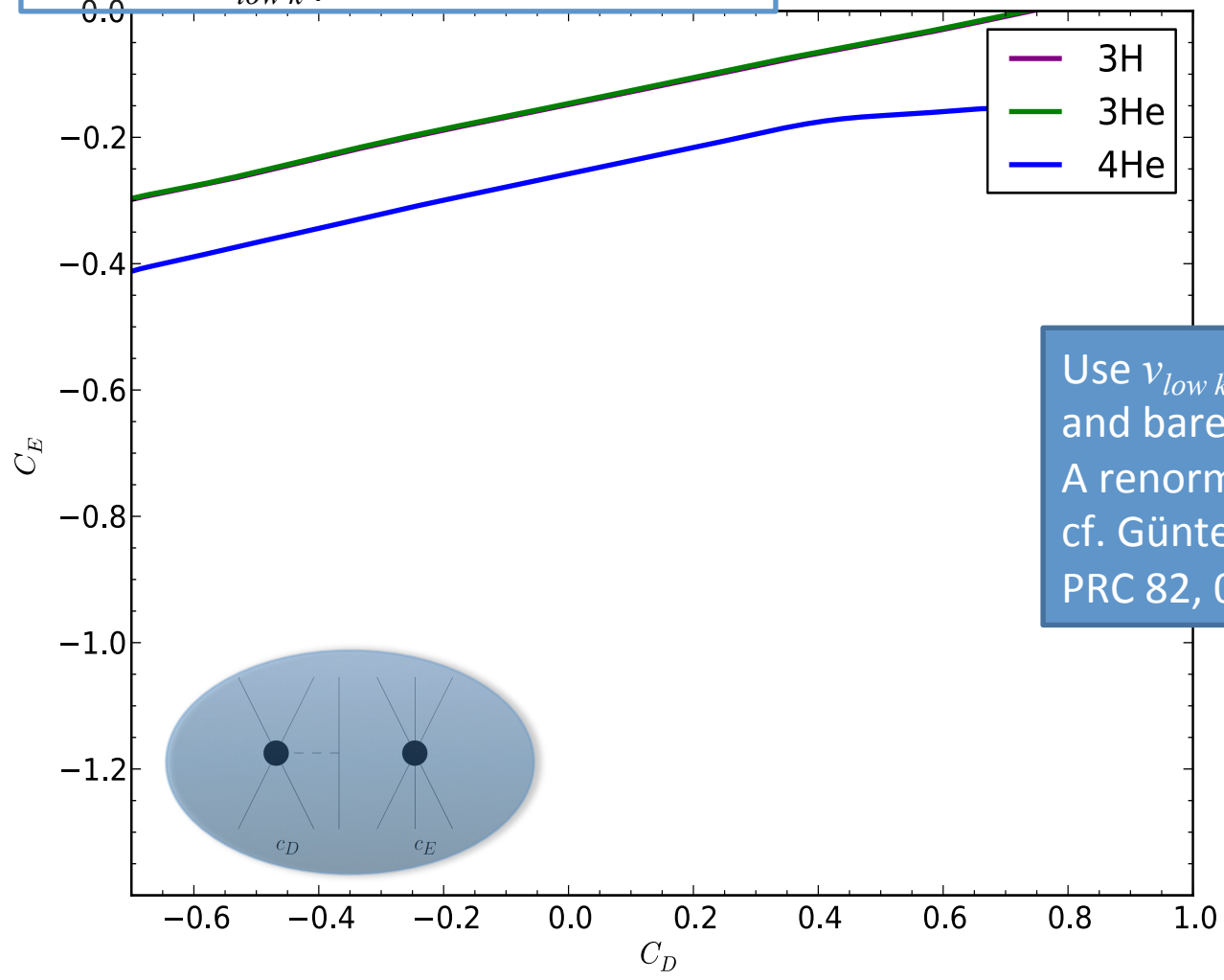


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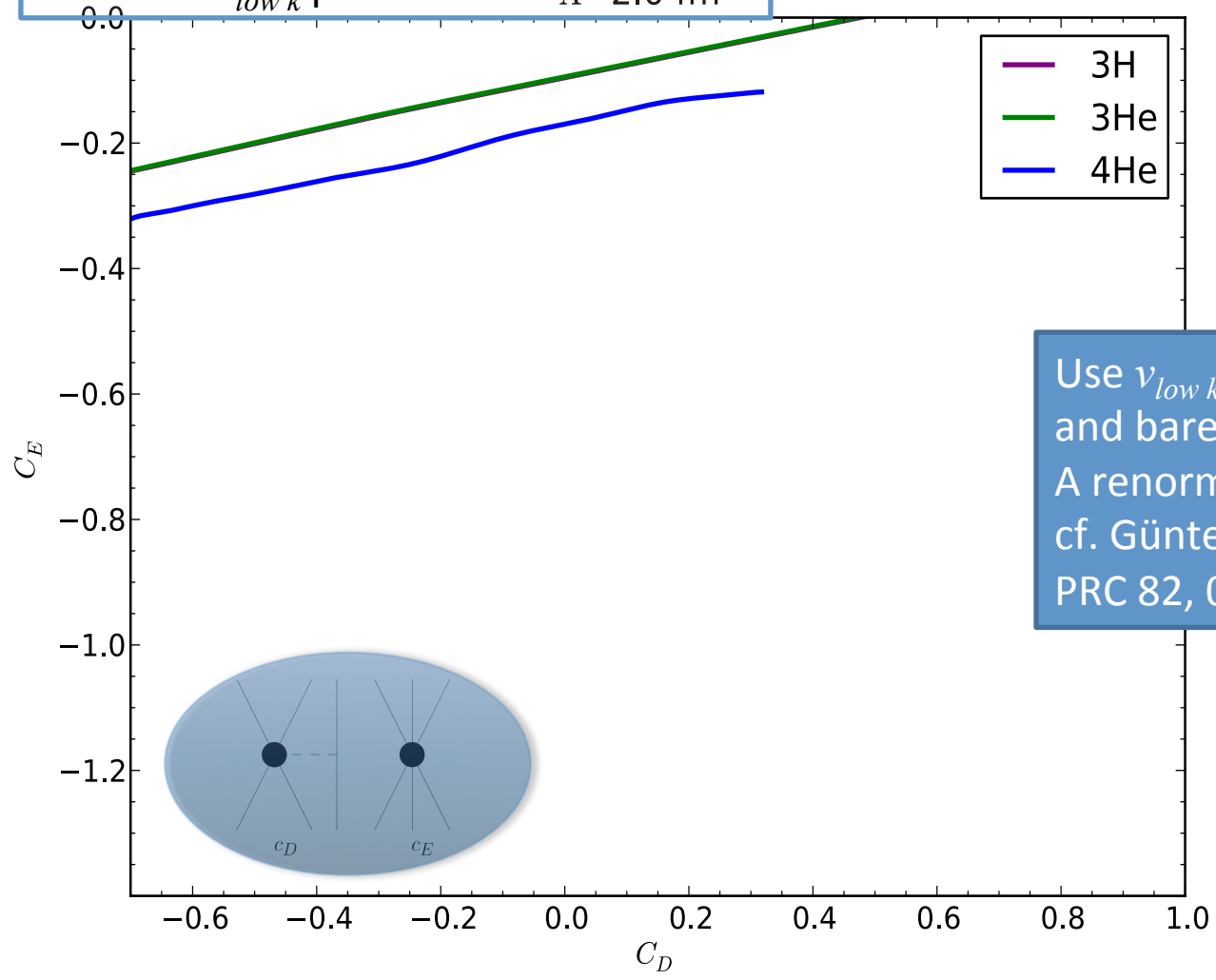
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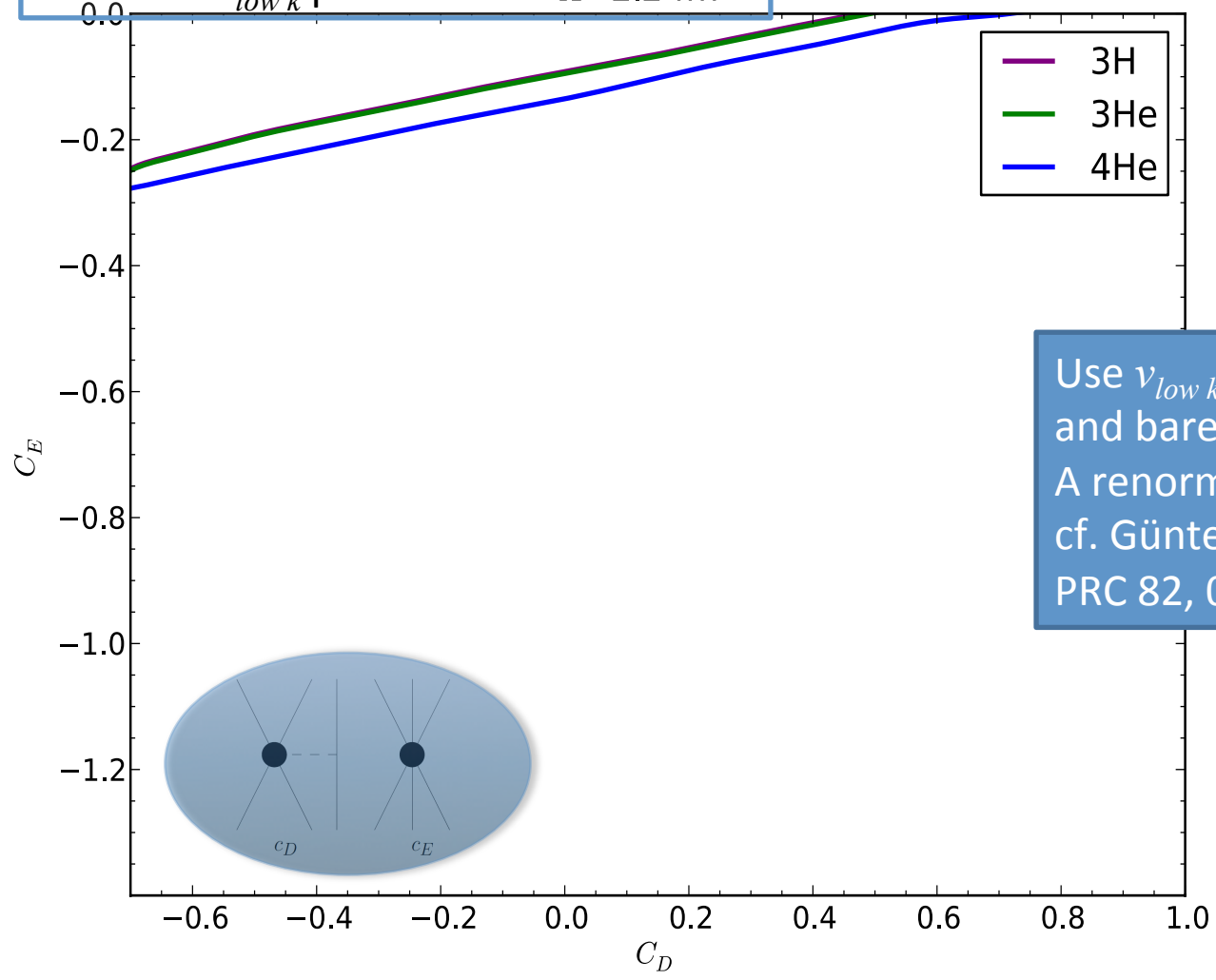
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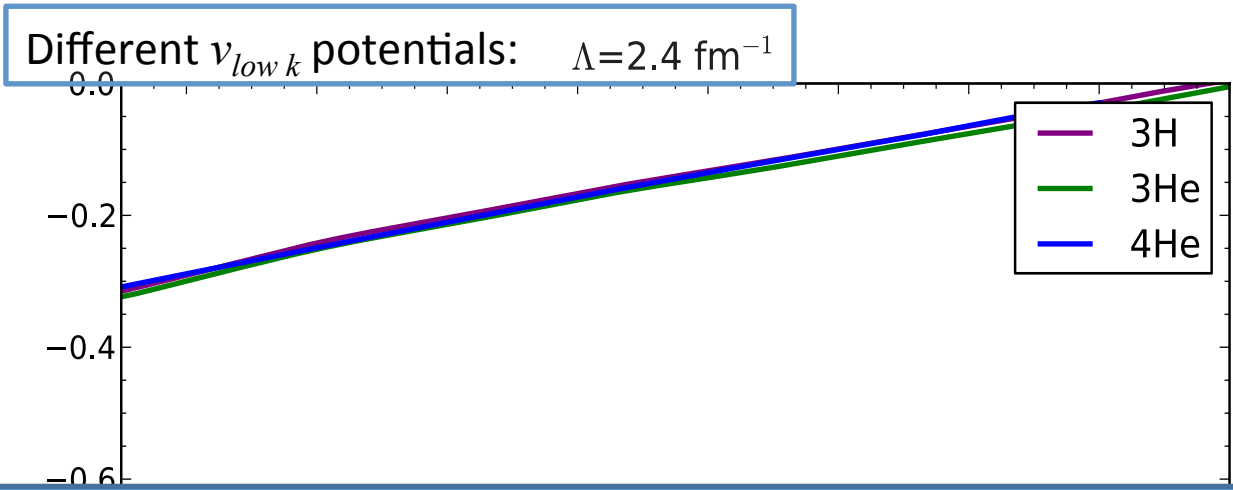
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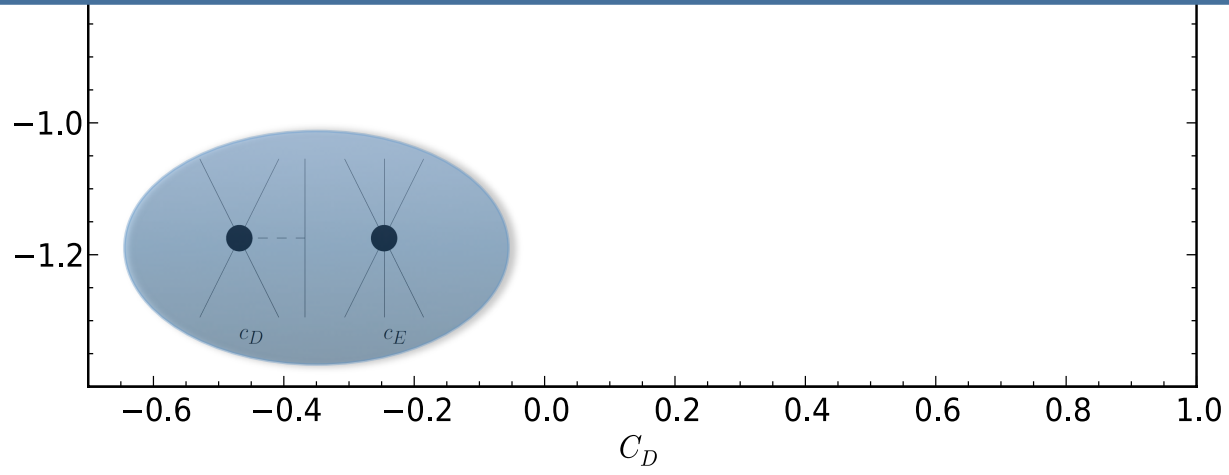


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broken correlations are signature of neglected induced forces in SRGs





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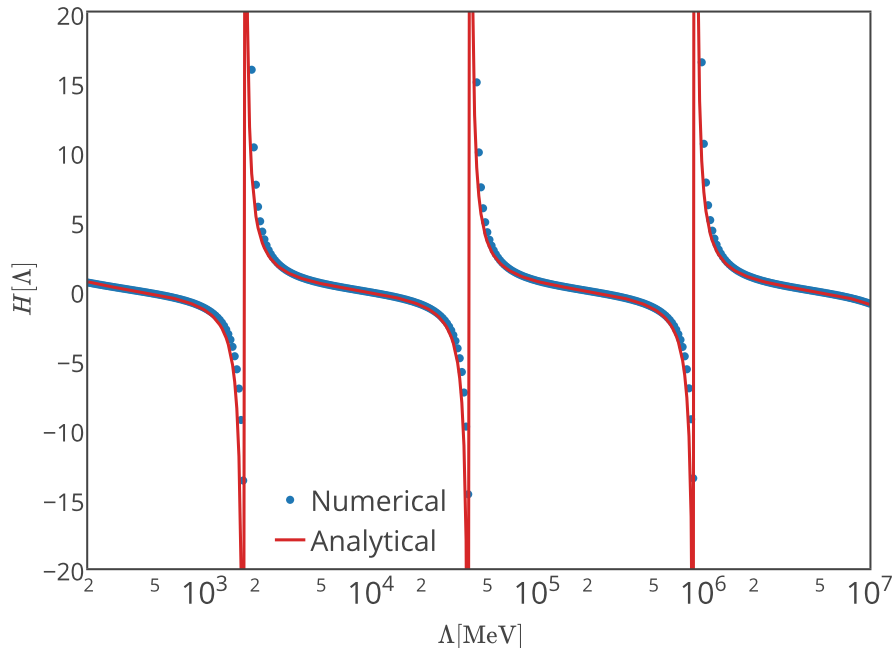
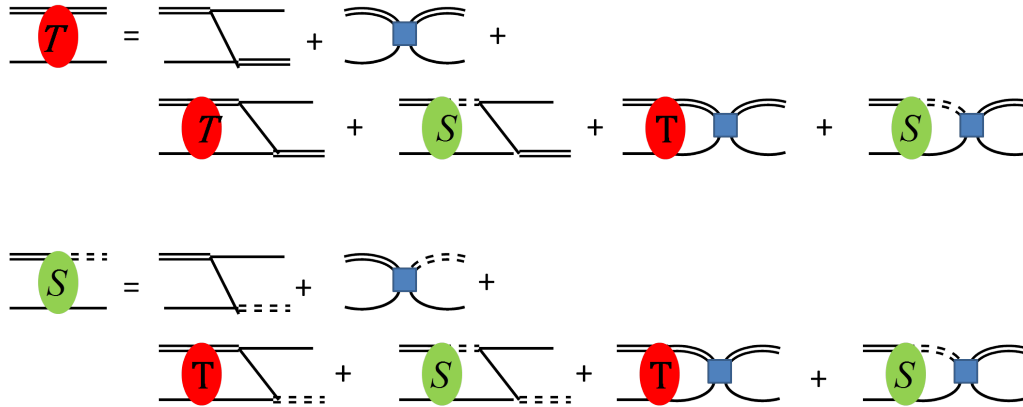
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- $A=3$  Efimov effect: *triton at LO has strong cutoff dependence*  $\rightarrow$  add 3-body contact at LO.



Regularization:

- integrals cutoff at finite  $\Lambda$ .
- each cycle is characterized by the appearance of a new bound state.

How does this look if using:

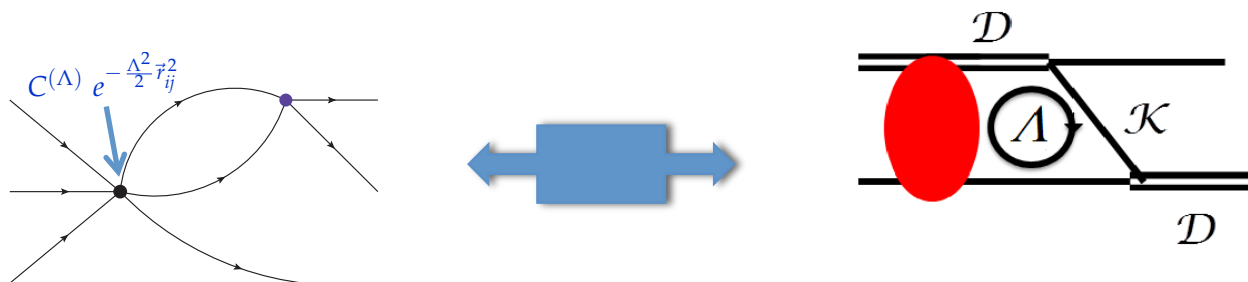
- local regulator?
- Schrödinger formalism?





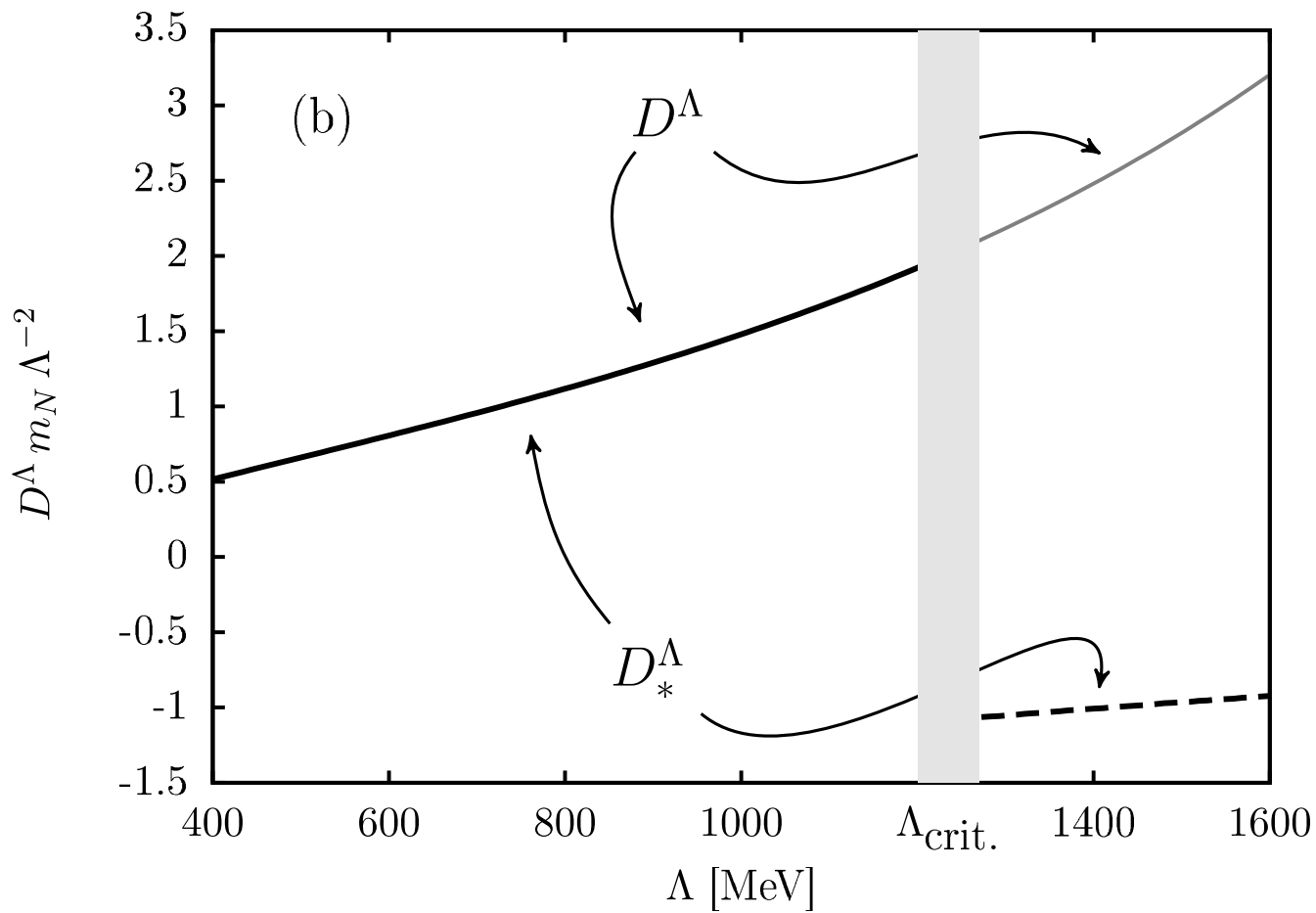
# $^3\text{H}$ : Schrödinger formalism, local regulator

- We have utilized a Schrödinger formalism for pionless EFT, with the same counting scheme.
- Cutoff potentials using local gaussian regulators ( $a$ - $1/a$  local- $\chi$ EFT).
- LO potential is iterated using the Schrödinger equation.
- NLO is treated perturbatively, using first order perturbation theory, which is **found to be identical to the distorted wave born approximation**.



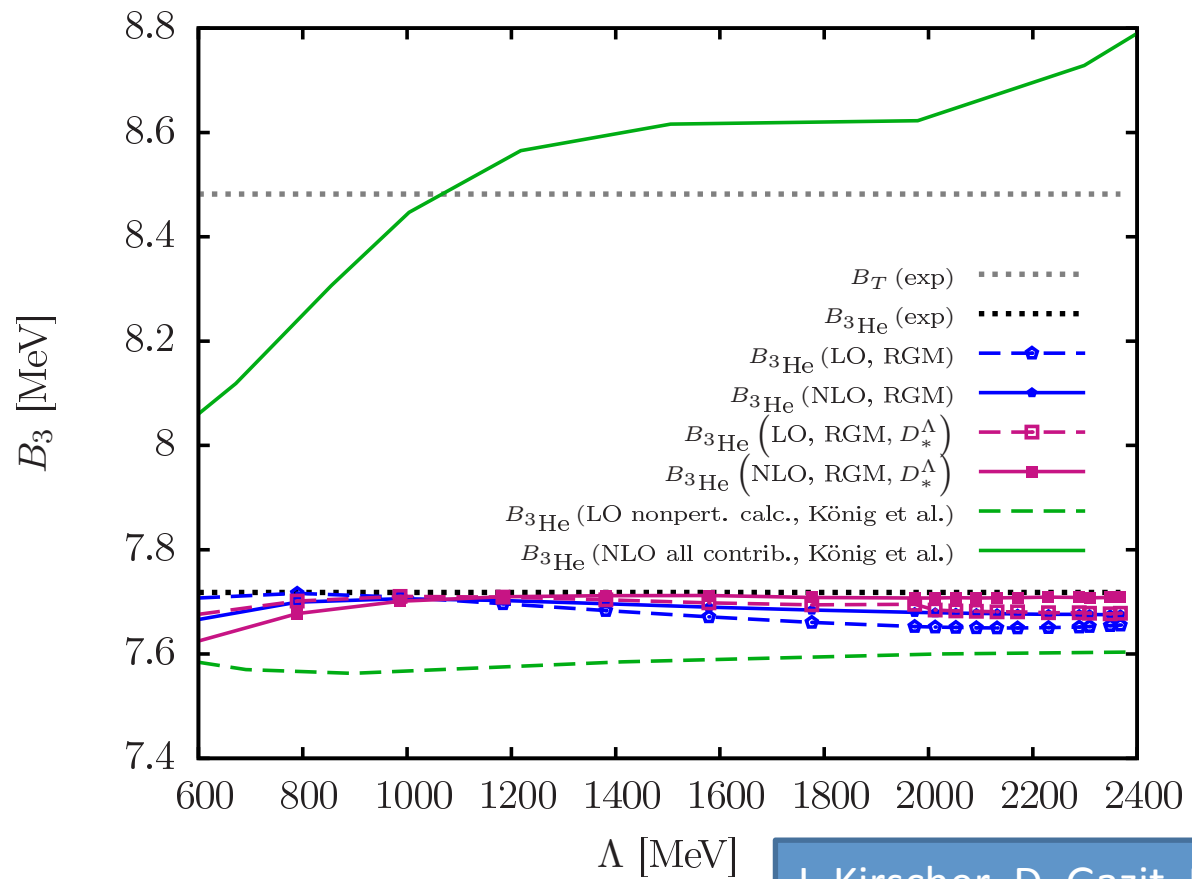


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# $^3\text{He}$ : one more difference between the two approaches



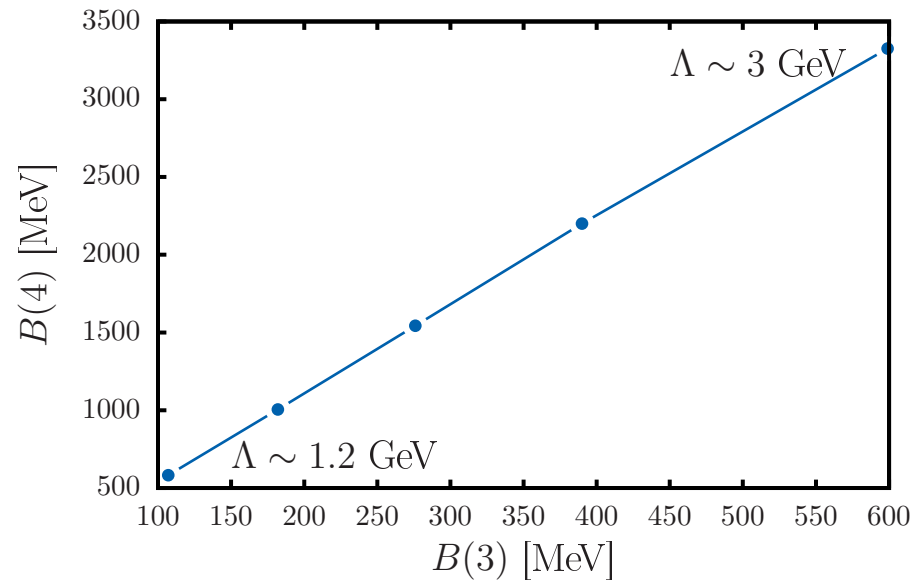
J. Kirscher, D. Gazit, PLB 755, 253 (2016)

Compare with König et al (2011, 2013, 2014, 2015) in the dibaryon QFT formalism:  
-- order of magnitude smaller cutoff dependence for non-pert. Coulomb calculation  
-- **Similar results in the perturbative Coulomb case.**

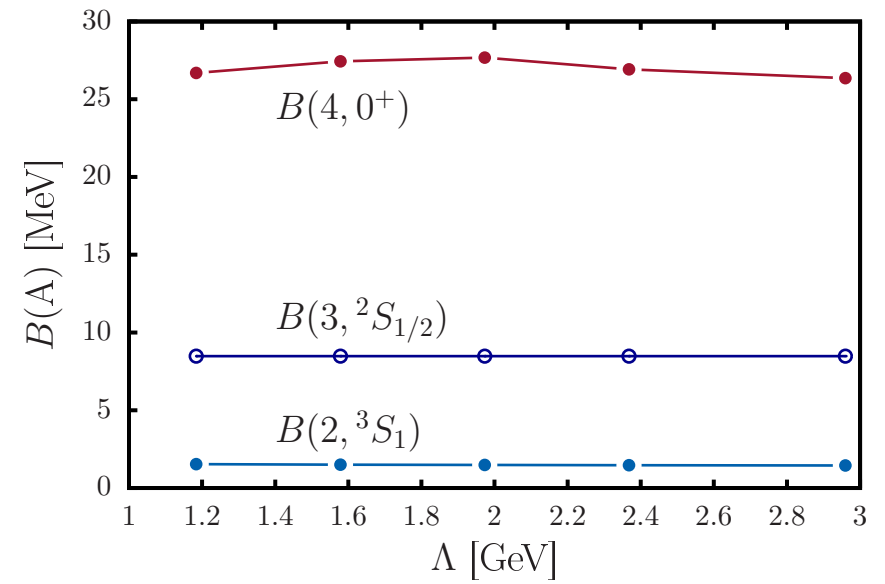
Kong, Ravndal (1999,2001), Rupak, Kong (2003), Ando, Birse (2010)

# $^4\text{He}$ – preliminary results@LO (no coulomb)

LO EFT( $\not{\pi}, \alpha = 0$ ): Tjon correlation



LO EFT( $\not{\pi}, \alpha = 0$ ):  $m_\pi = 140$  MeV,  $a(^3S_1) = 5.4$  fm,  $a(^1S_0) = -23.7$  fm





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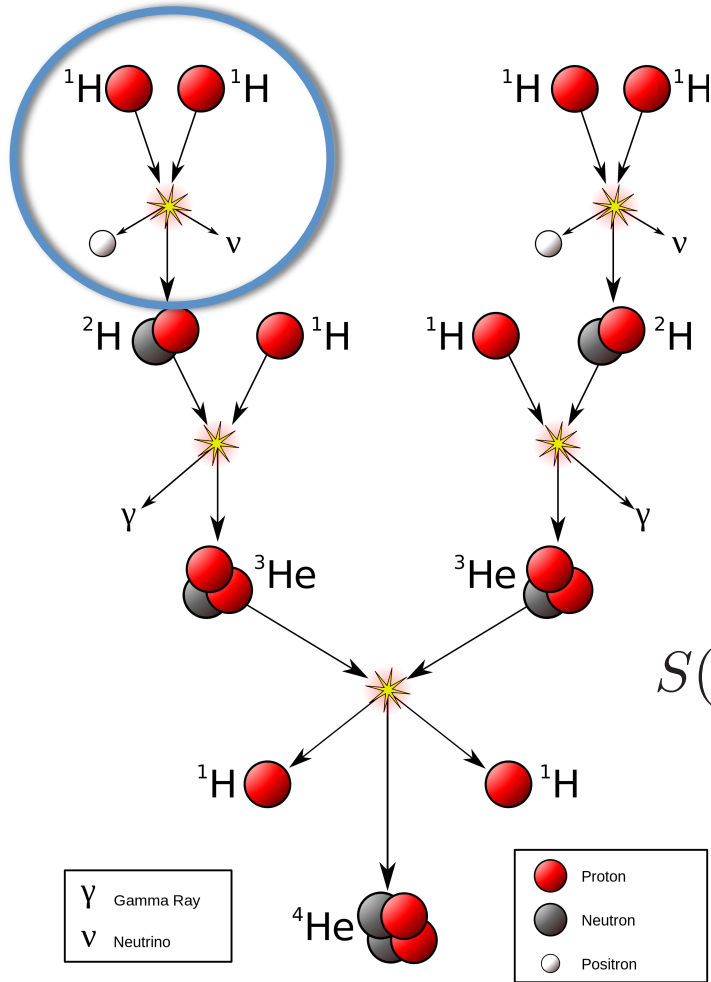
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# Weak proton-proton fusion in the Sun

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- Cannot be measured terrestrially – depends on theory
- Very low proton-proton relative momentum ( $E_{rel} \sim 6 \text{ keV}$ ).
- Needed accuracy:  $\sim 1\%$ .

$$\sigma(E) = \frac{S(E)}{E} \exp[-2\pi\eta(E)]$$

$$S(E) = S(0) + S'(0)E + S''(0)E^2/2 + \dots$$



# Weak proton-proton fusion in the Sun – theory standards

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- $4.01(1 \pm 0.009) \times 10^{-25}$  MeV b potential models,
- $4.01(1 \pm 0.009) \times 10^{-25}$  MeV b EFT\*,
- $3.99(1 \pm 0.030) \times 10^{-25}$  MeV b pionless EFT.



SFII recommended value (2011):  $S_{11}(0) = 4.01(1 \pm 0.009) \times 10^{-25}$  MeV b.

**Modern  $\chi$ EFT calculation by Marcucci et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. (2013):**  
Use consistent  $^3\text{H}$  decay-rate to constrain consistently axial MEC (DG, Quaglioni, Navratil, PRL 2009), and predict pp-fusion rate.

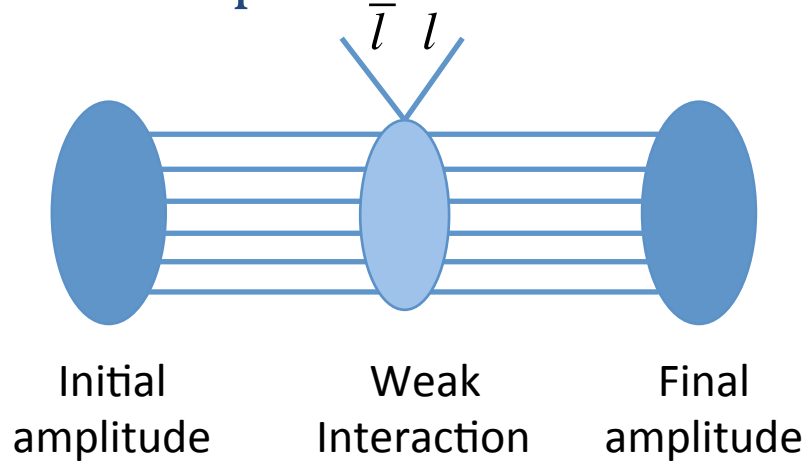
$$S(0) = (4.030 \pm 0.006) \times 10^{-23} \text{ MeV fm}^2$$

Including: p-wave contribution (+0.005%), full EM (-0.0025-(-0.0075)%), difference between 500 and 600 MeV cutoff and potential models.



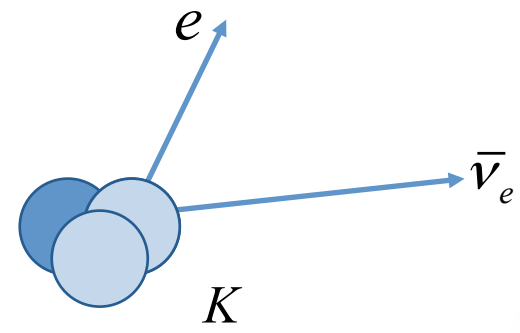
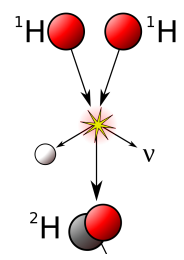


# Pionless EFT description of weak interaction at low-energies



$$\langle \psi_i | \mathcal{J}_\mu | \psi_f \rangle$$

$$\mathcal{J}_\mu^\pm = \frac{\tau_\pm}{2} (\mathcal{V}_\mu^\pm - \mathcal{A}_\mu^\pm)$$

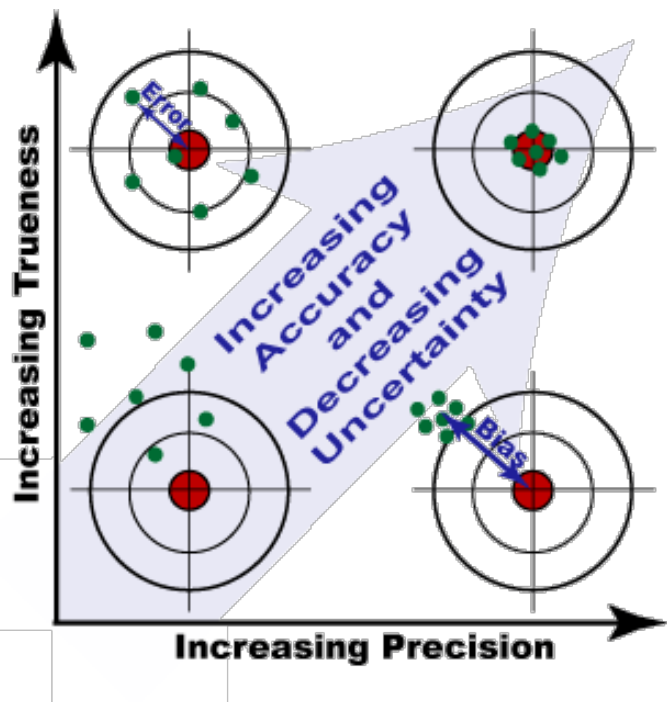


$$\langle pp | \mathcal{A}_\mu^- | {}^2\text{H} \rangle$$

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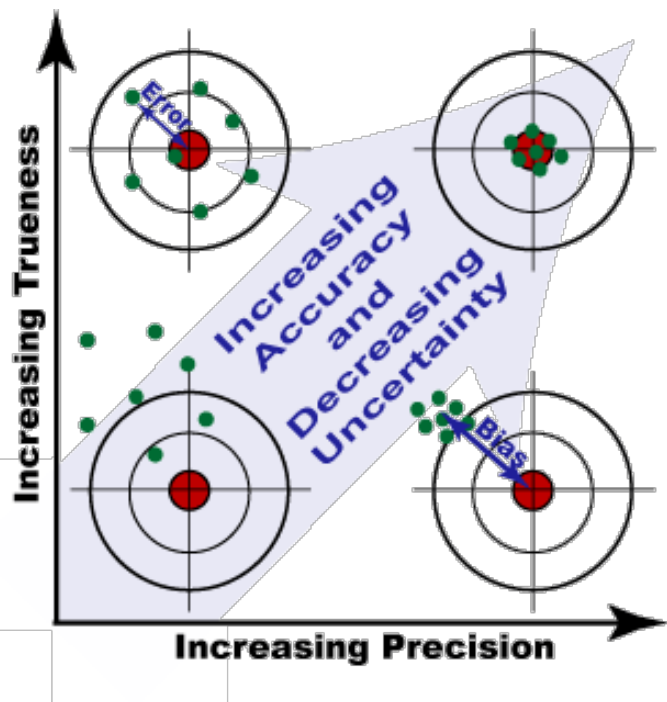
# A fully perturbative pionless EFT $A=2, 3$ calculation @NLO

- LO Parameters:
  - nn and 2-np Scattering lengths:  ${}^3S_1, {}^1S_0$ .
  - pp scattering length.
  - Fine structure constant.
  - Three body force strength to prevent Thomas collapse.
- NLO parameters:
  - 2 effective ranges.
  - Renormalizations of pp and 3NF.
  - (isospin dependent 3NF to prevent logarithmic divergence in the binding energy of  ${}^3\text{He}$ ).
- **Weak Interaction: LO ( $g_A$  – 1 body), NLO ( $L_{1A}$  – 2 body)**
- **EM Interaction: LO ( $\kappa_S, \kappa_V$ ) – 1 body), NLO ( $L_1, L_2$  – 2 body)**





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# The role of the deuteron tail

- Many low energy reactions depend on deuteron normalization.
- One has a choice of constructing pionless EFT:

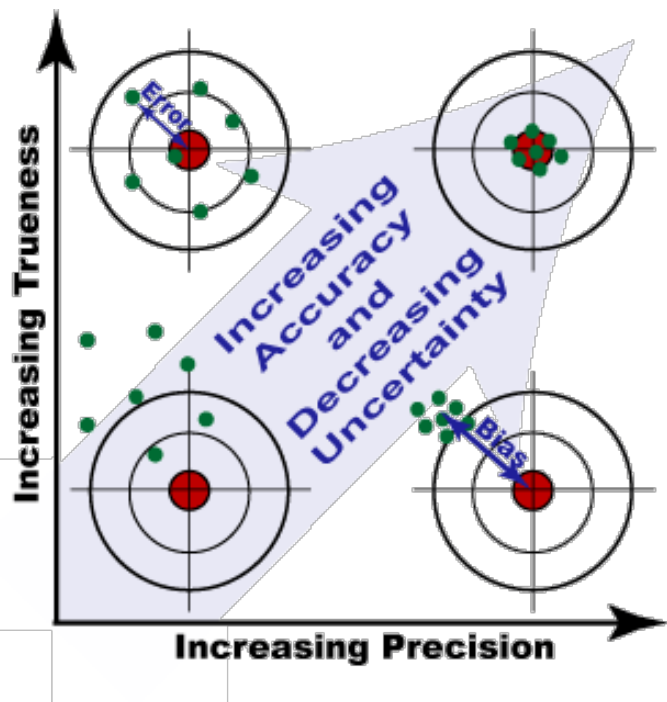
- rho-parameterization:  $Z_d = \frac{1}{1 - \gamma\rho} \approx 1 + \gamma\rho + (\gamma\rho)^2 + \dots$
- Z(ed)-parameterization:  $Z_d = \frac{1}{1 - \gamma\rho} \approx 1 - (Z_d - 1) + 0 + \dots$

Both theories are valid EFTs.  
Z-parameterization sometimes has quicker convergence.

Phillips, Rupak, Savage, Phys. Lett. **B473**, 209 (2000)  
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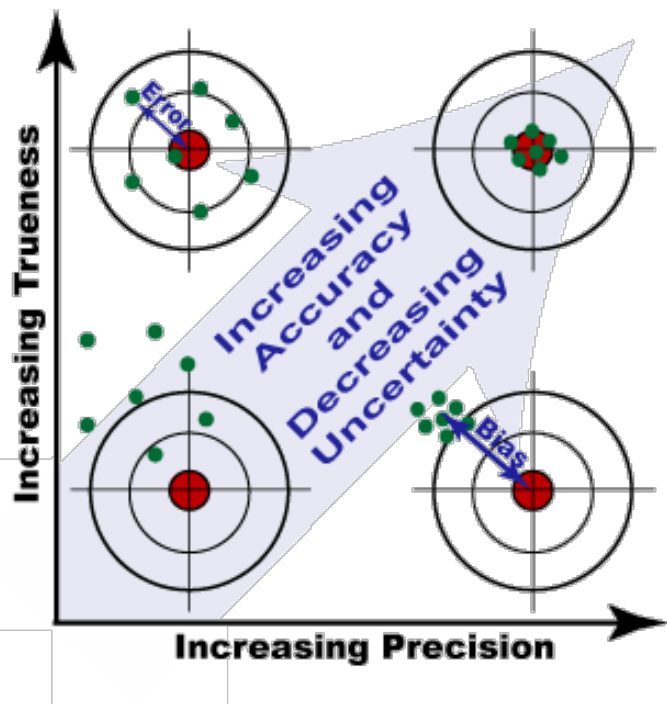
	EM	weak
1-body LEC	$\kappa_n, \kappa_p$	$g_A$
1-body operator	$\sigma, \sigma\tau^0$	$\sigma\tau^{+,-}, \tau^{+,-}$
2-body operator	$L_1(d^i)^\dagger s^j, L_2(d^i)^\dagger d^j$	$L_{1A}(d^i)^\dagger s^j$
$A = 2, q \approx 0$ observables	$\sigma_{np} : n + p \rightarrow d + \gamma$ $d$ magnetic moment $\langle \mu_d \rangle$	$pp$ fusion: $p + p \rightarrow d + e^+ + \nu_e$
$A = 3, q \approx 0$ observables	${}^3\text{H}, {}^3\text{He}$ magnetic moments: $\langle \mu_{{}^3\text{H}} \rangle, \langle \mu_{{}^3\text{He}} \rangle$	${}^3\text{H}$ $\beta$ -decay into ${}^3\text{He}$ : ${}^3\text{H} \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e$

Use the same strategy in both cases: fix probe LECs at A=3 and predict A=2.





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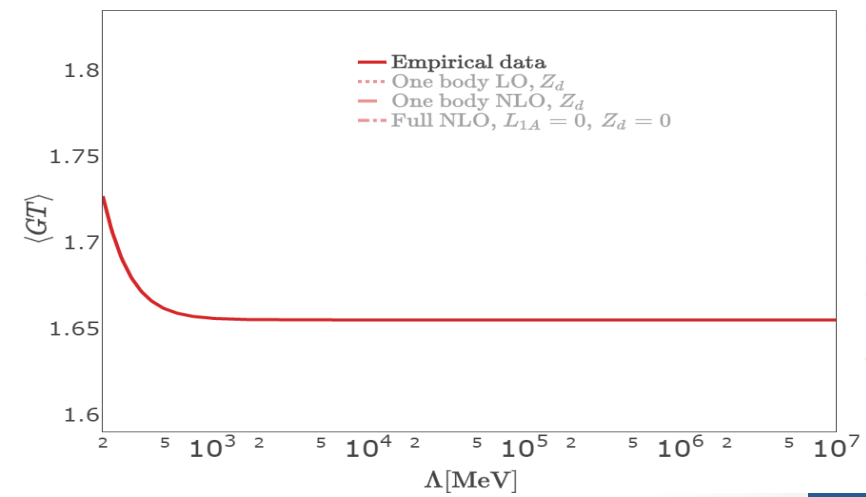
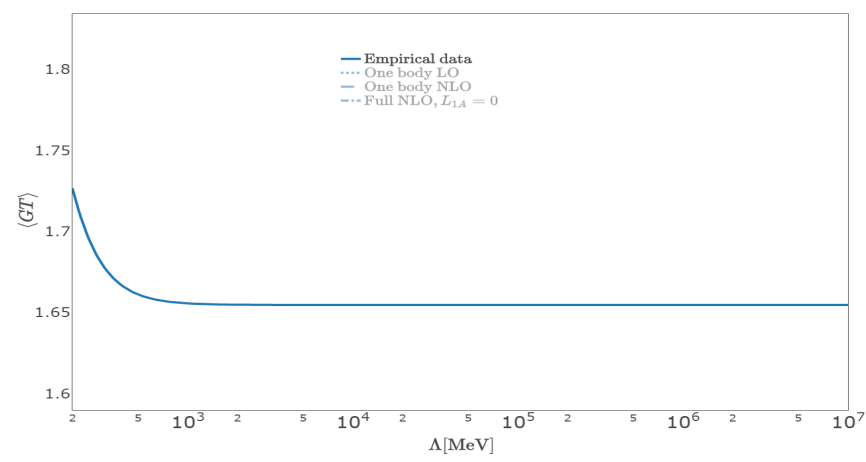


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“Empirical” extraction of GT (using calculated F strength)



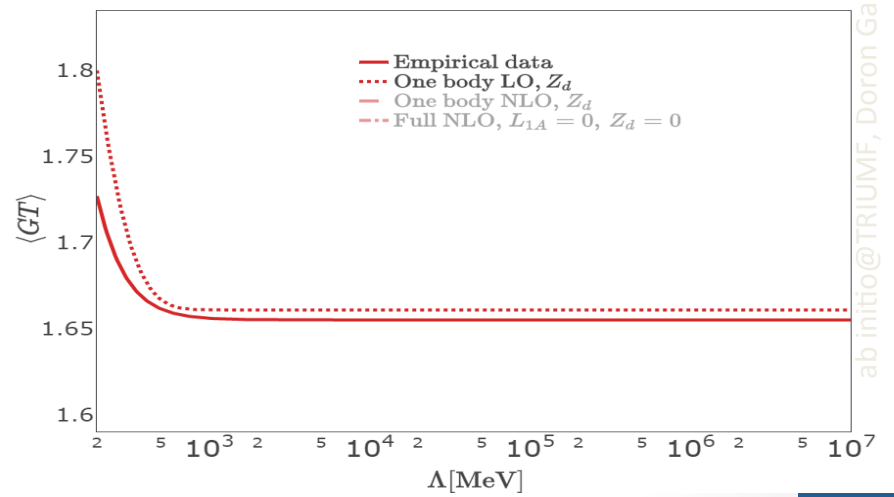
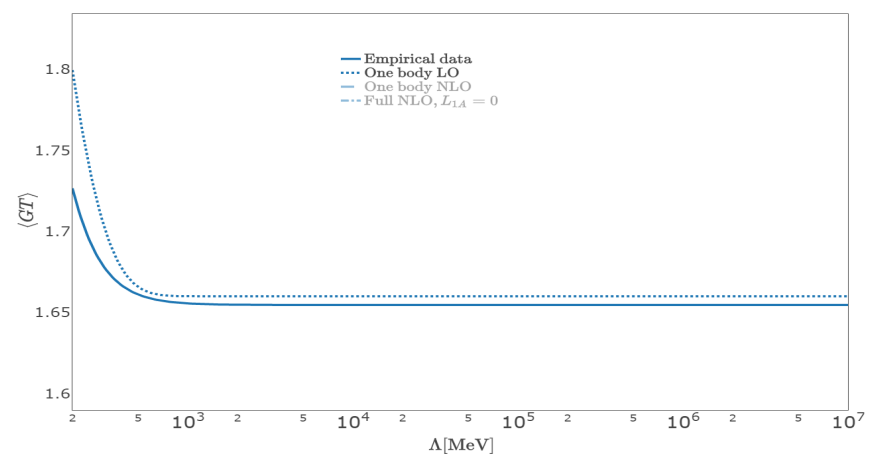


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Adding the LO 1-body contribution



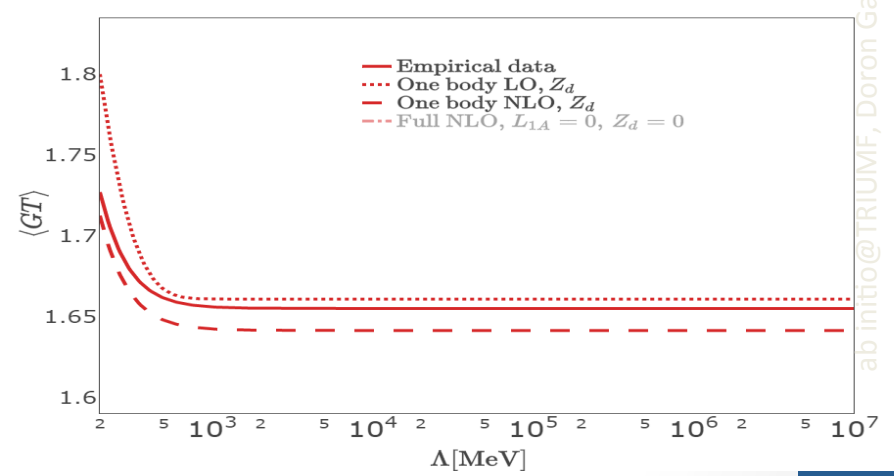
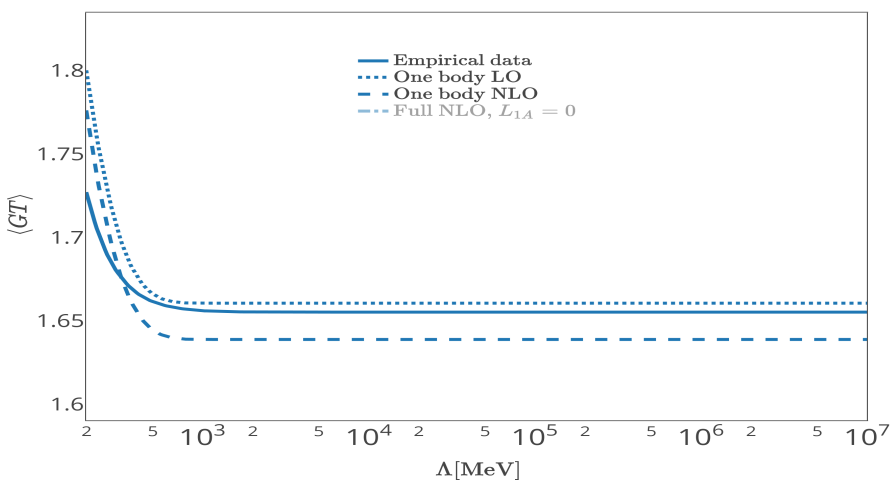


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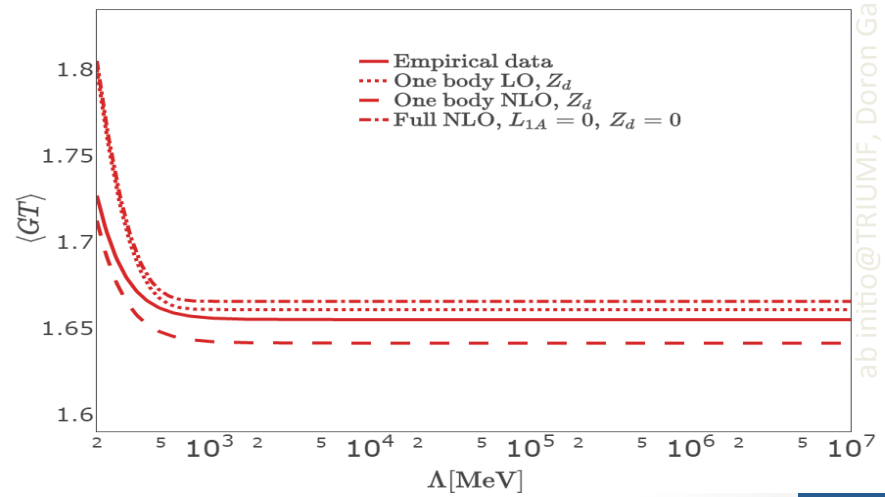
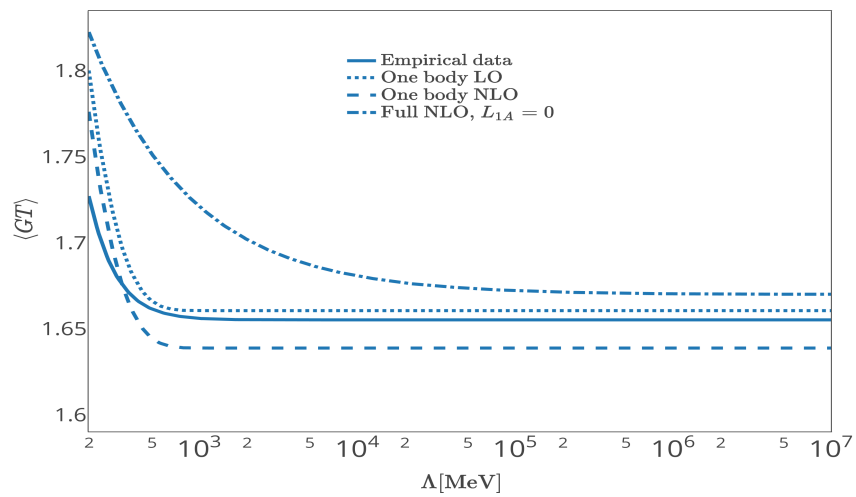


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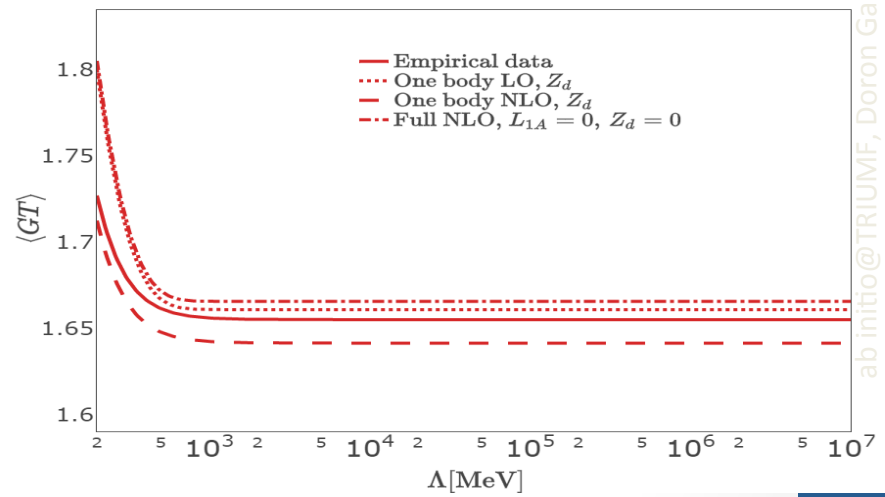
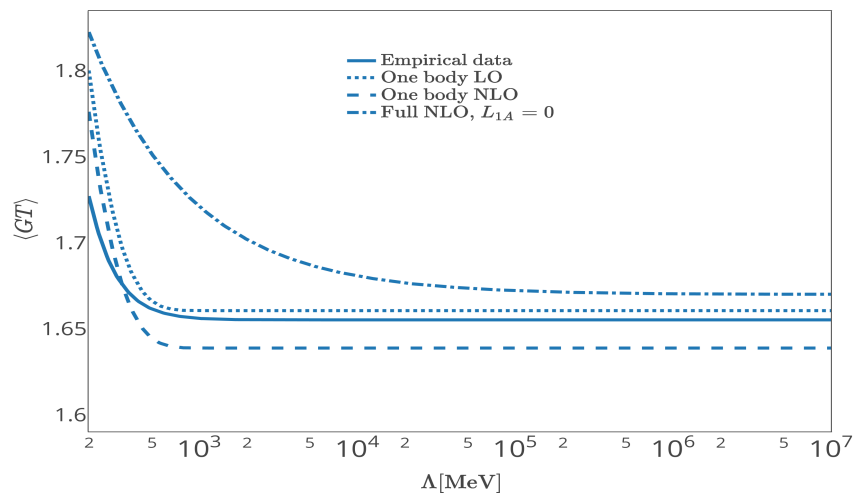


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Marcucci et al result (same assumptions)

$$S_{pp}^{EFT}(\not\neq)(0)$$

$$S_{pp}^{EFT}(\not\neq)(0), Z_d$$

$$4.02 \cdot 10^{-23} \text{MeV} \cdot \text{fm}^2 \pm 0.01$$

$$3.90 \cdot 10^{-23} \text{MeV} \cdot \text{fm}^2$$

$$4.16 \cdot 10^{-23} \text{MeV} \cdot \text{fm}^2$$

±3% difference

Translates to ±2% difference in pp fusion

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# In the EM sector:

	$A = 2$	
	$\sigma_{np}$ [mb]	$\mu_d$ [ $\mu_N$ ]
LO	298.2	0.8798
LO, $Z_d$	298.2	0.8798
Full NLO	338.8	0.8592
Full NLO, $Z_d$	347.8	0.8547
$\Delta Z_d$ [%]	2.7	0.1
Exp data	334.2	0.8574
$\Delta$ Exp [%]	1-4	0.2-0.3



L1, L2 calibrated in the A=3 sector and A=2 is predicted

Capture reaction ( $n+p \rightarrow d+\gamma$ ) depends stronger on deuteron tail, same order of theoretical uncertainty again (a few percents).

# In the EM sector:

PRL **115**, 132001 (2015)

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## *Ab initio* Calculation of the $np \rightarrow d\gamma$ Radiative Capture Process

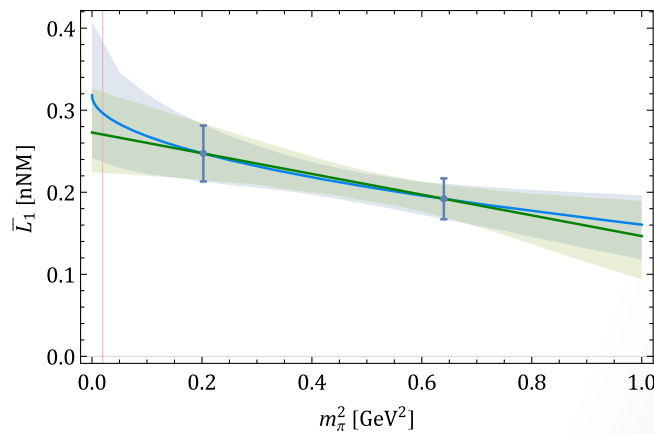
Silas R. Beane,<sup>1</sup> Emmanuel Chang,<sup>2</sup> William Detmold,<sup>3</sup> Kostas Orginos,<sup>4,5</sup> Assumpta Parreño,<sup>6</sup>  
Martin J. Savage,<sup>2</sup> and Brian C. Tiburzi<sup>7,8,9</sup>

(NPLQCD Collaboration)

$$\Delta E_{3S_1, 1S_0}(\mathbf{B}) = 2(\kappa_1 + \gamma_0 Z_d^2 \tilde{l}_1) \frac{e}{M} |\mathbf{B}| + \mathcal{O}(|\mathbf{B}|^2),$$

$$l_1^{\text{lqcd}} = -4.41 \left( \begin{array}{c} +15 \\ -16 \end{array} \right) \text{ fm.}$$

(they use different pionless EFT counting, comparison preliminary)

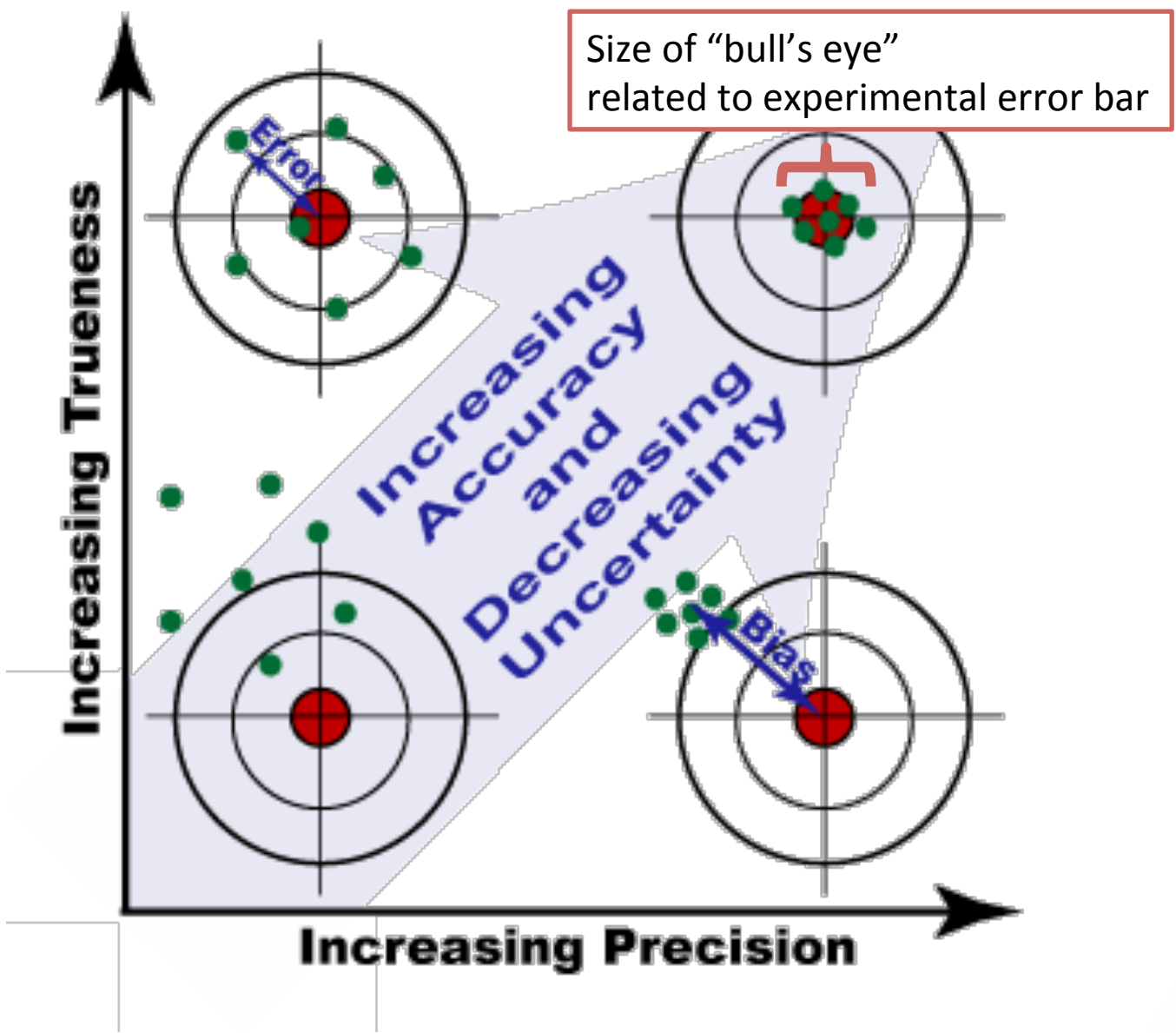


Our prediction for  $l_1 = -3.3 - (-5.7) \text{ fm}$





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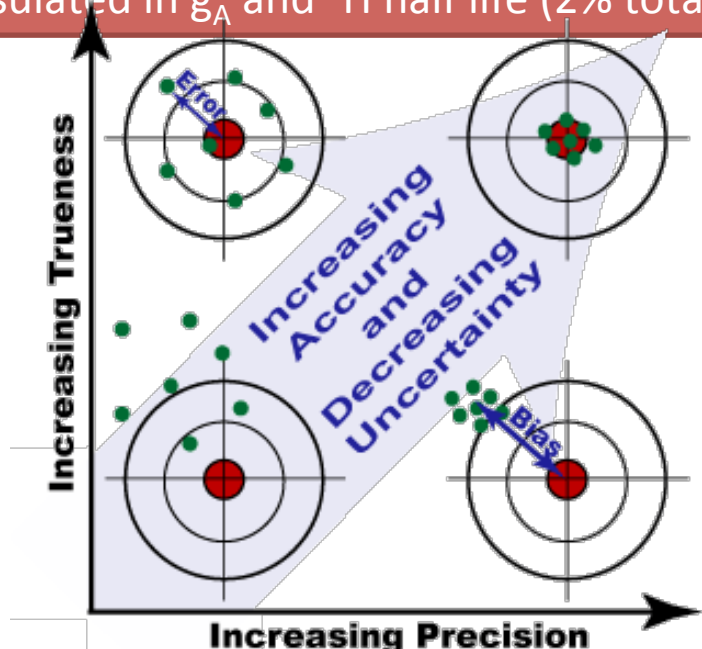
$$S_{pp}(g_A = 1.275) = (4.02 - 4.30) \pm 0.07 \pm 0.04$$

$\pm 3\%$   
theoretical  
uncertainty

$g_A$   
stat.  
unc.

${}^3\text{H}$   
half-life  
syst.  
unc.

i.e., theoretical uncertainty (3%) of the same order of systematic experimental error encapsulated in  $g_A$  and  ${}^3\text{H}$  half life (2% total).





# Summary

- a) We can learn something useful from  $\pi$ EFT and apply it to  $\chi$ EFT – disregarding correlations from  $\pi$ EFT would result in fine tuning!  
One should augment covariance matrices.

Lupu, Barnea, DG, arXiv: arXiv: 1508.05654

- b) One observes regulator/space dependence in  $\pi$ EFT just as in  $\chi$ EFT.

Kirscher, DG, Phys Lett B **755**, 253 (2016), Kirscher et al, in prep.

- c) **First  $\pi$ EFT calculation of  $^3\text{H}$  beta decay (@NLO), and a precision calculation of proton-proton fusion in the Sun:**

Improved and reliable theoretical uncertainty estimate.

Improvement in  $g_A$  and  $^3\text{H}$  decay determination highly needed.

N<sup>2</sup>LO calculation should follow.

What can this do for SSM? A lot, mainly to CNO neutrinos flux

De-Leon, DG, in prep., **see Hilla De-Leon's poster.**

- d) A very interesting confirmation of Lattice QCD as well as  $\pi$ EFT consistency check: **first  $\pi$ EFT calculation of  $^3\text{H}$ ,  $^3\text{He}$ ,  $^2\text{H}$  magnetic moments and  $n+p \rightarrow d+\gamma$  (@NLO), and good comparison to the NPLQCD calculation of 2 nucleons in a magnetic field (Beane et al PRL 115, 132001 (2015))**

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