

Recent developments and applications of three-nucleon interactions

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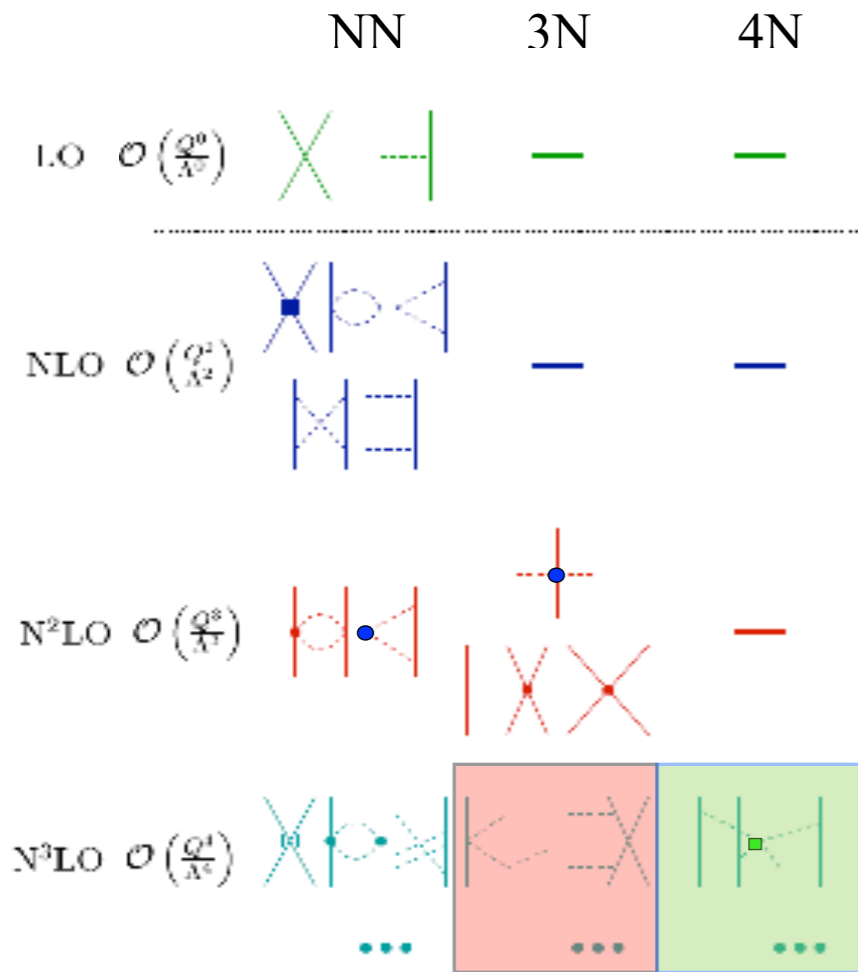
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Novel efficient interface for **NN and 3N interactions** in a **non-partial-wave** basis

- First application to nuclear matter plus first fits of 3N couplings to nuclear matter
- applications to other systems and frameworks?

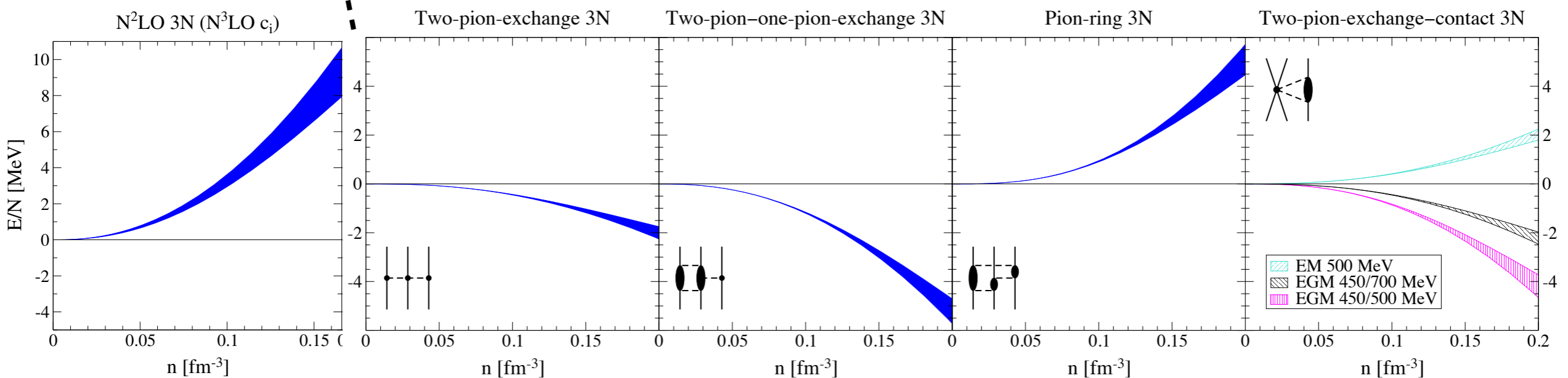
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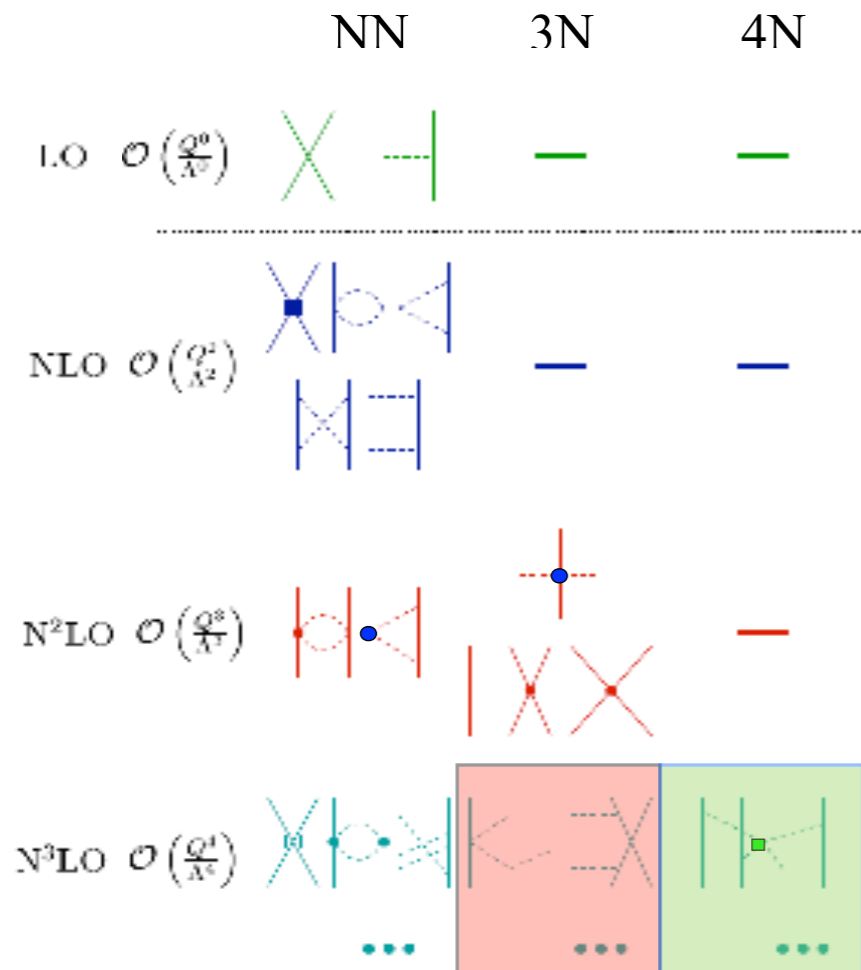
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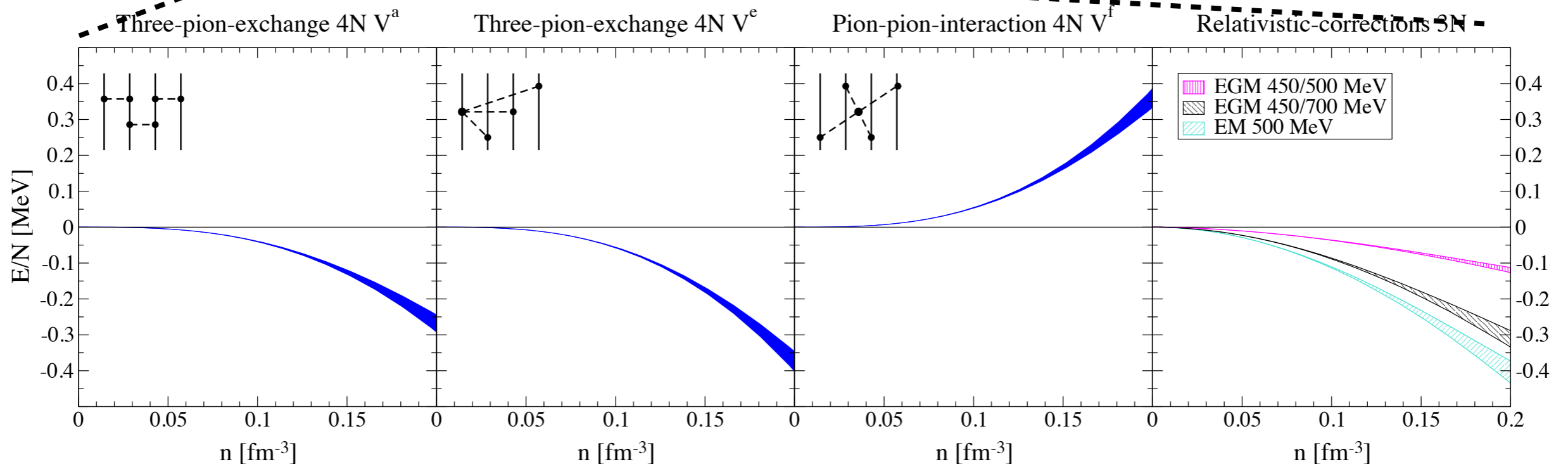
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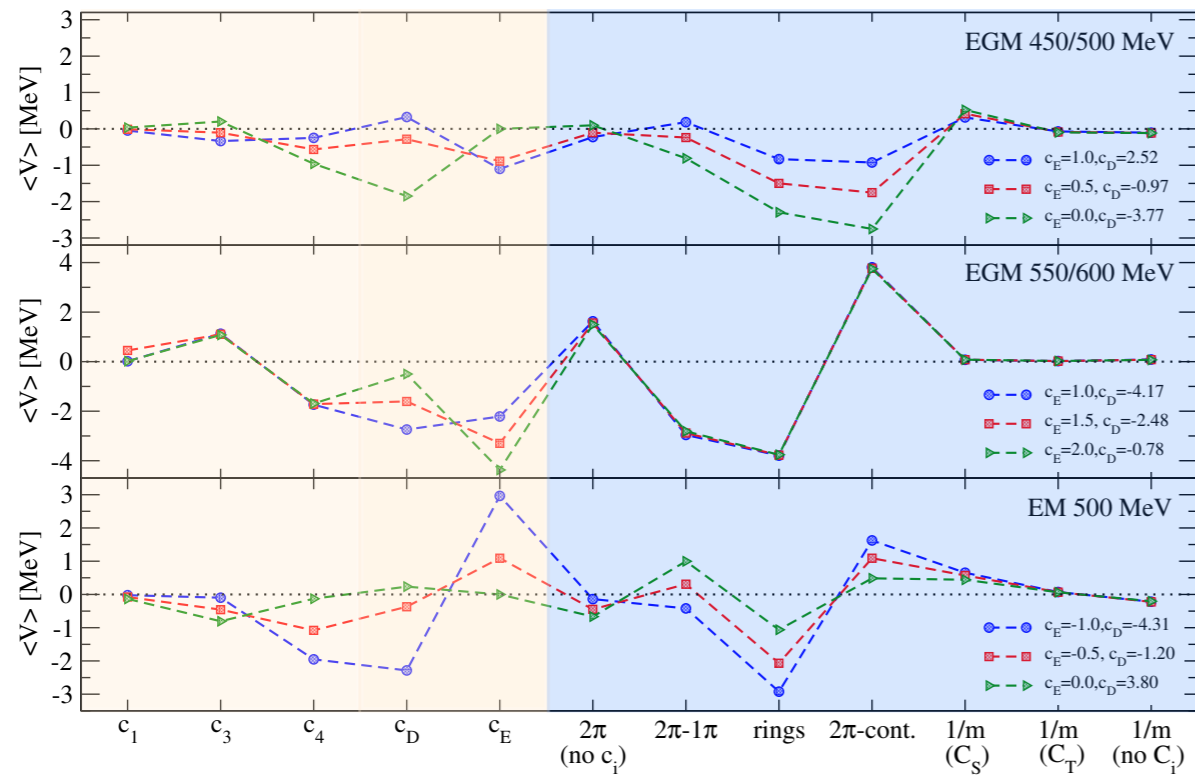


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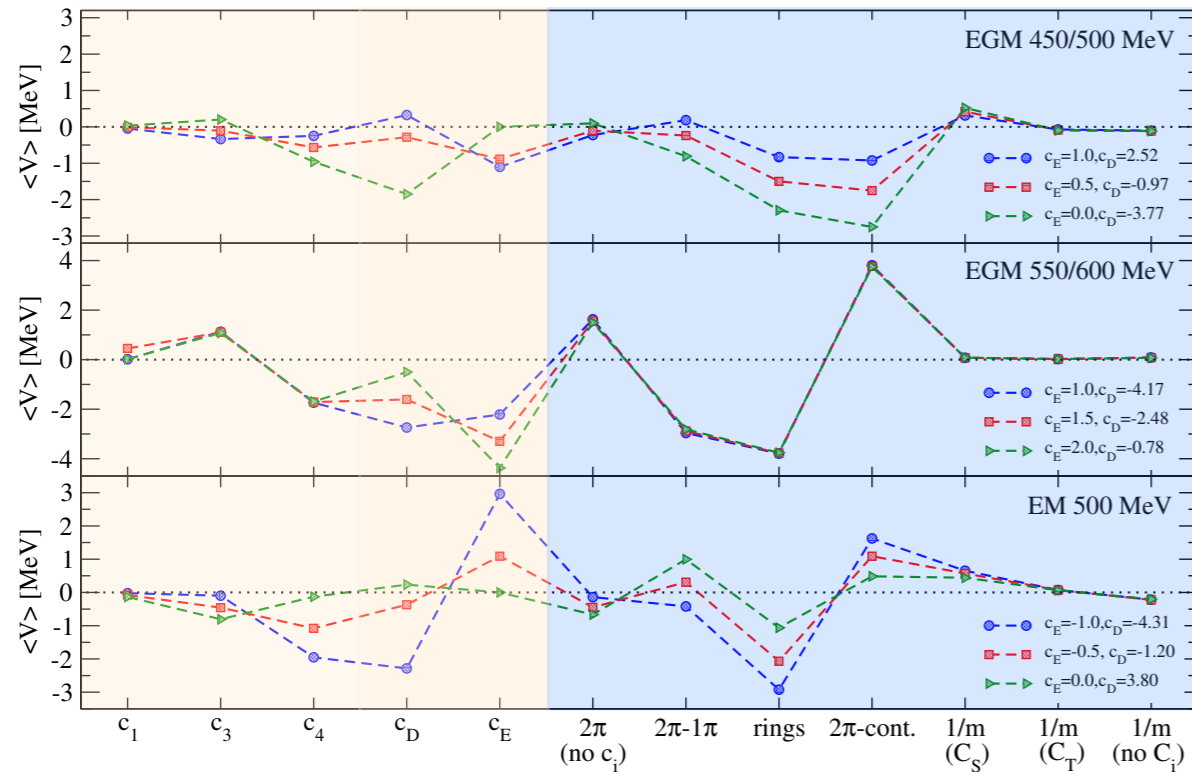
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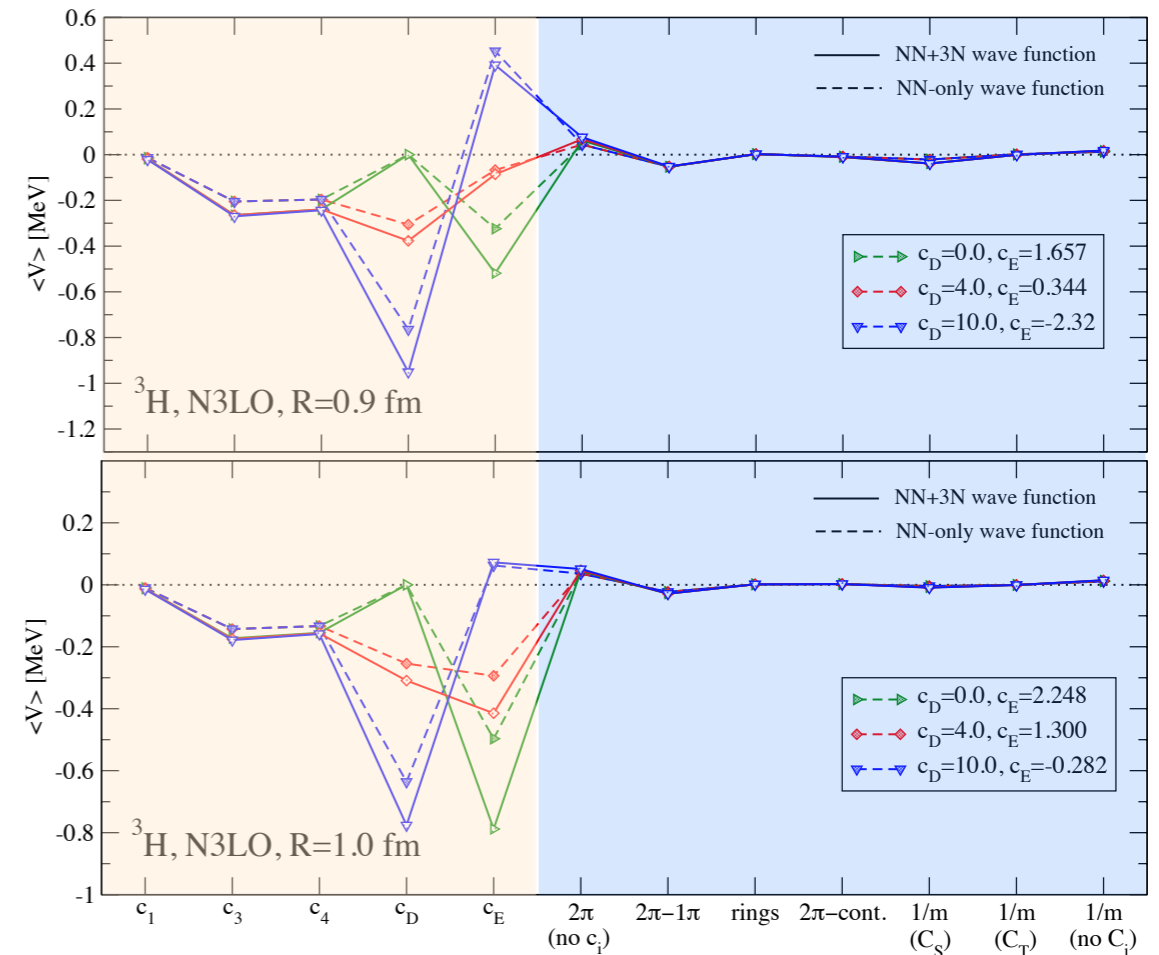
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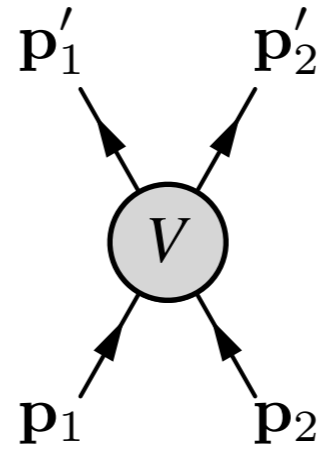
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- size of N3LO contribution **not suppressed** for shown **nonlocal** interactions
- N3LO contributions **suppressed** for **semilocal** interactions
- **technical challenges** for semilocal interactions:
 - ★ forces non-perturbative, large basis spaces/RG evolution needed
 - ★ implementation of 3N forces hard, stability problems for scattering calculations
 - ★ Derivation and implementation of nuclear currents hard → **Hermann's talk**

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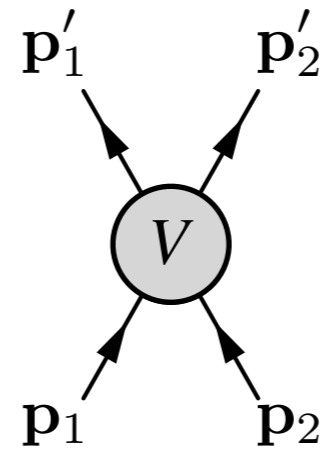
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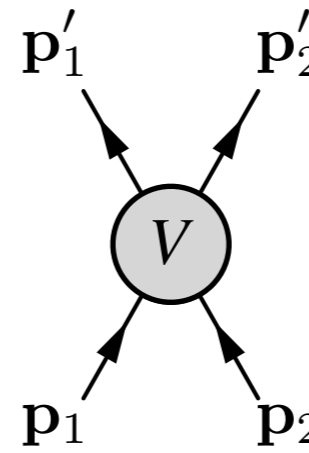
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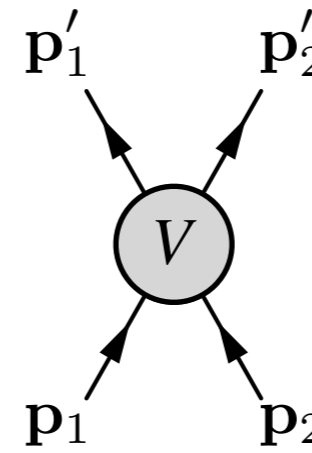
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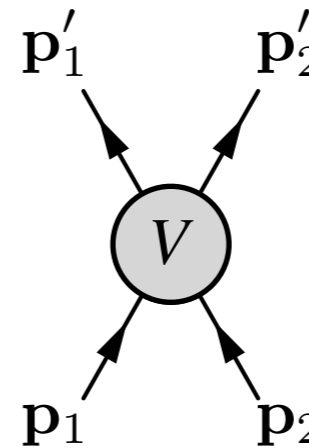
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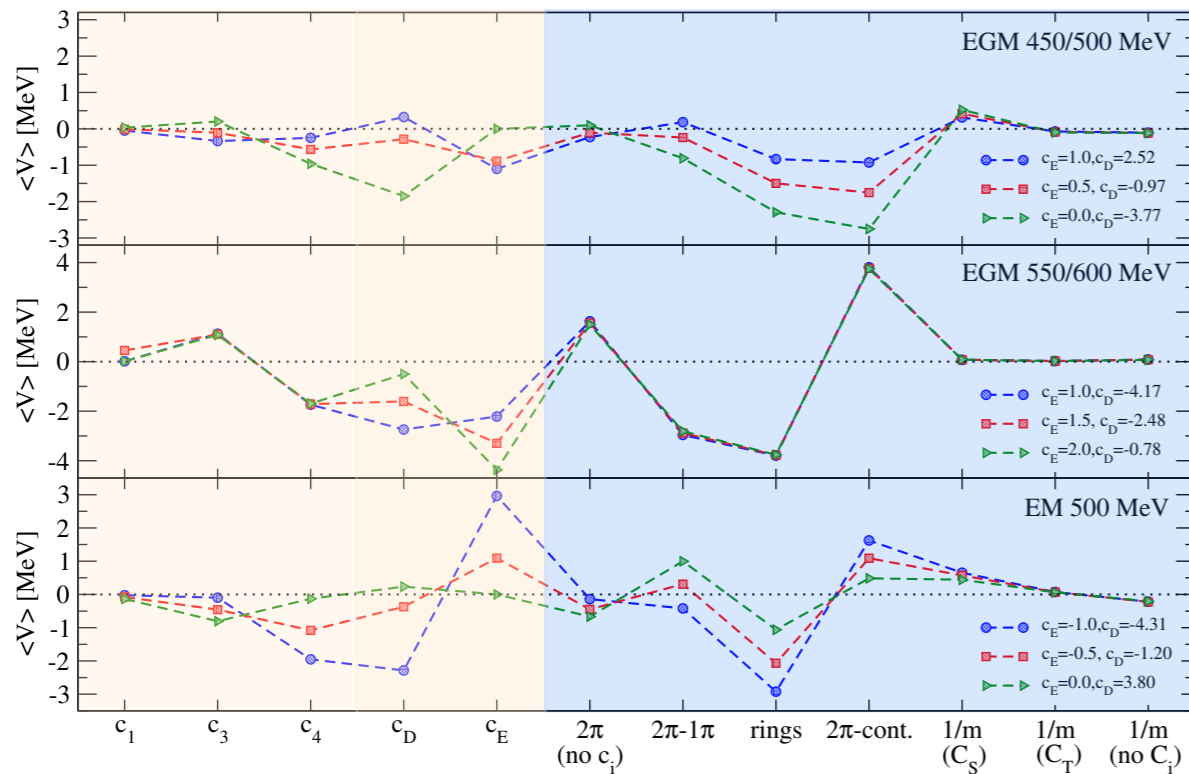
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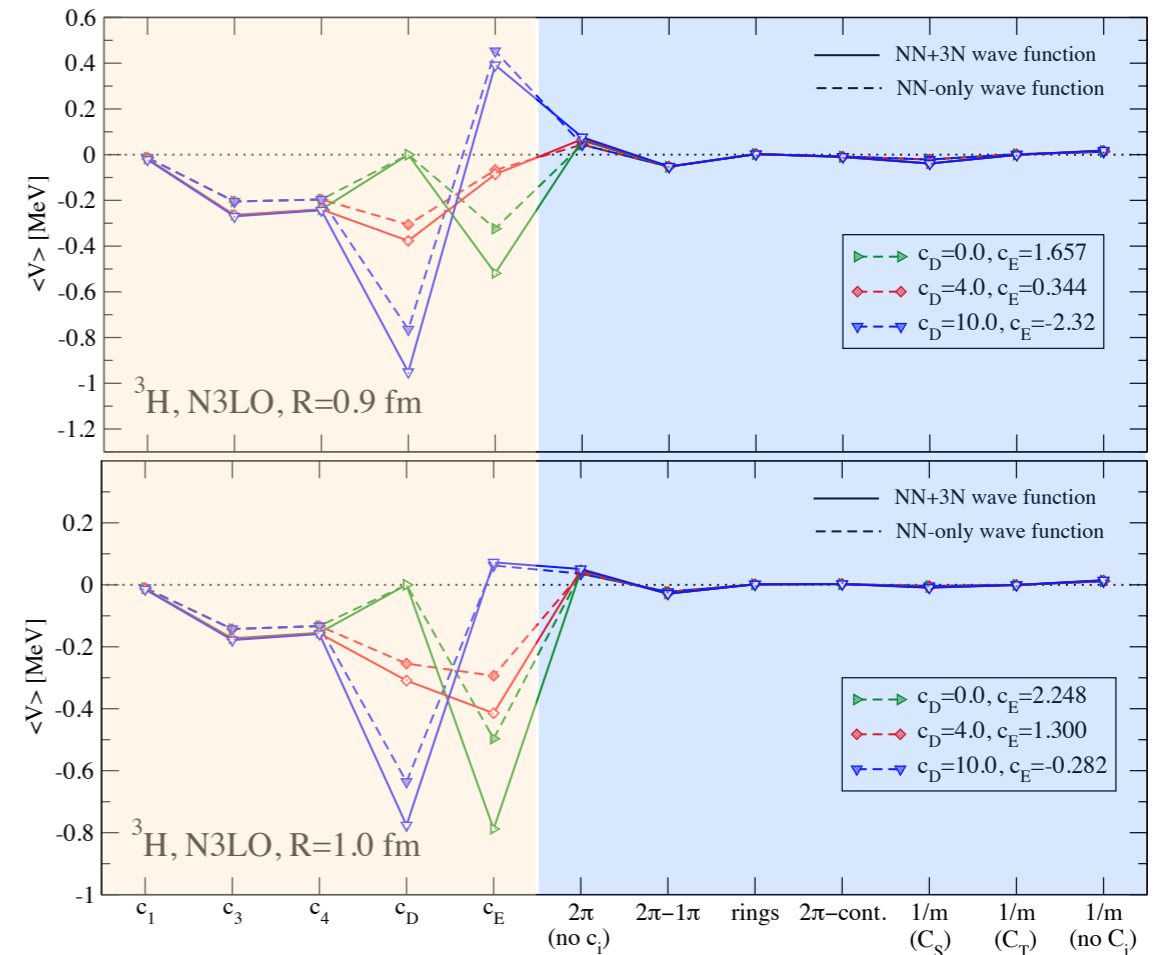
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Development of improved novel semilocal NN+3N interactions regularised in momentum space.

$$V_\pi(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}') \rightarrow V_\pi(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}') e^{-(\mathbf{q}^2 + m_\pi^2)/\Lambda^2}$$

Reinert et al.,
arXiv:1711.08821

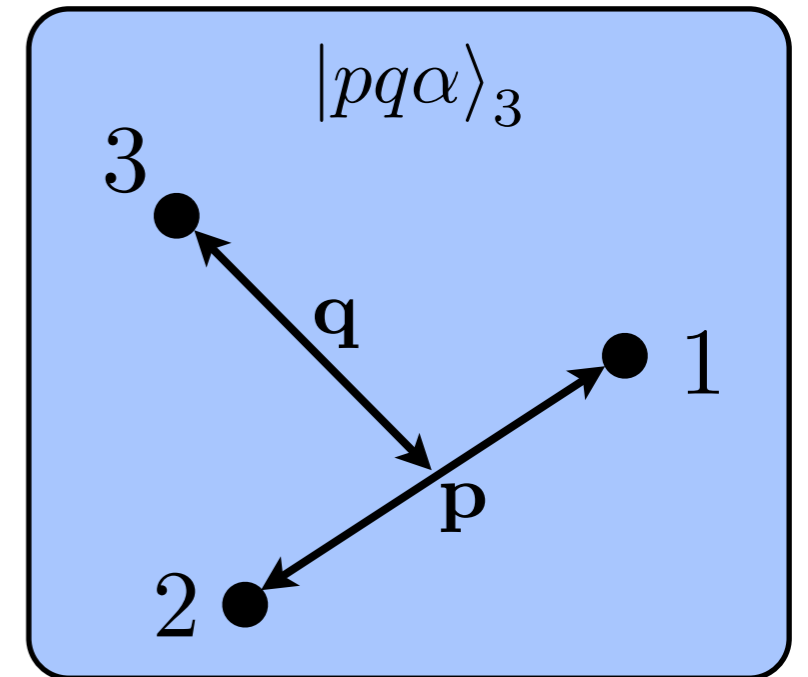
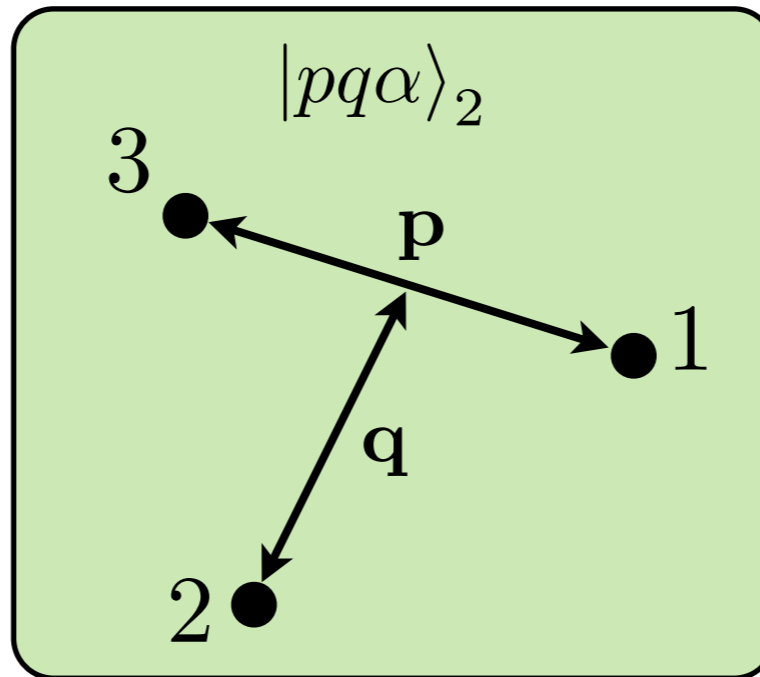
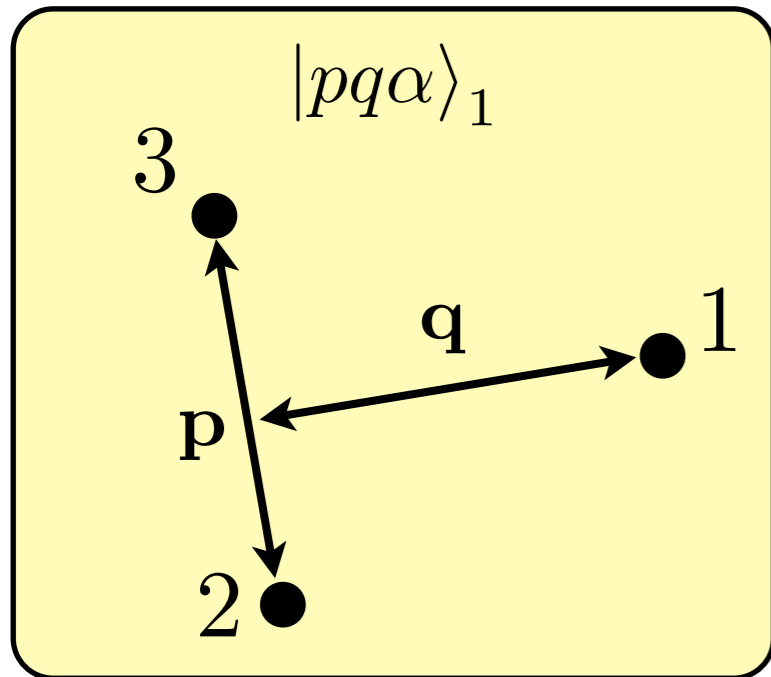
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Calculation of N2LO 3NFs completed.
Benchmarks and fits in progress!

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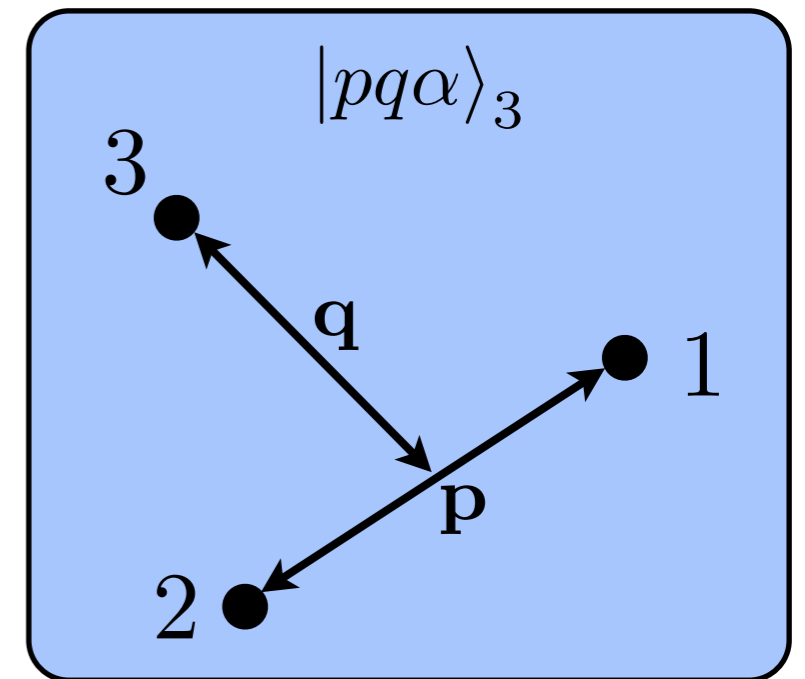
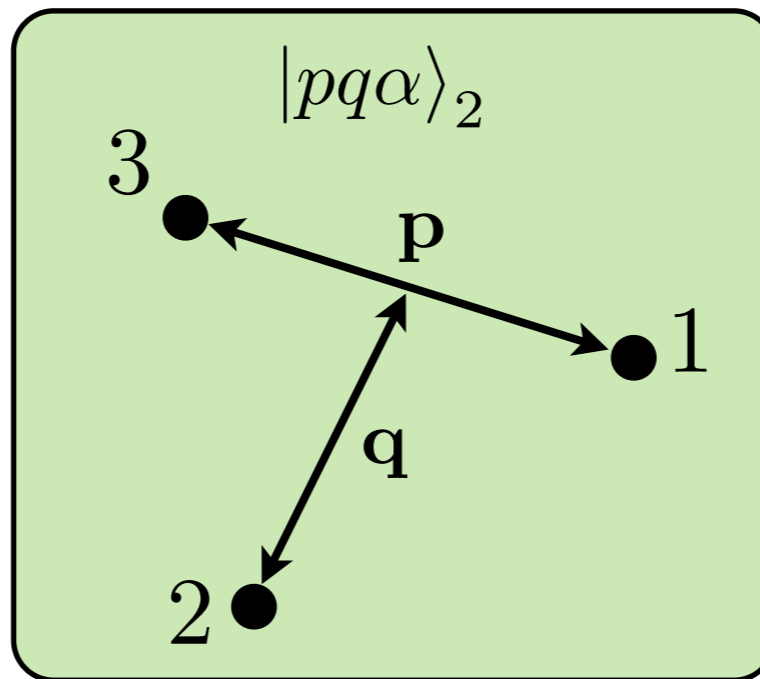
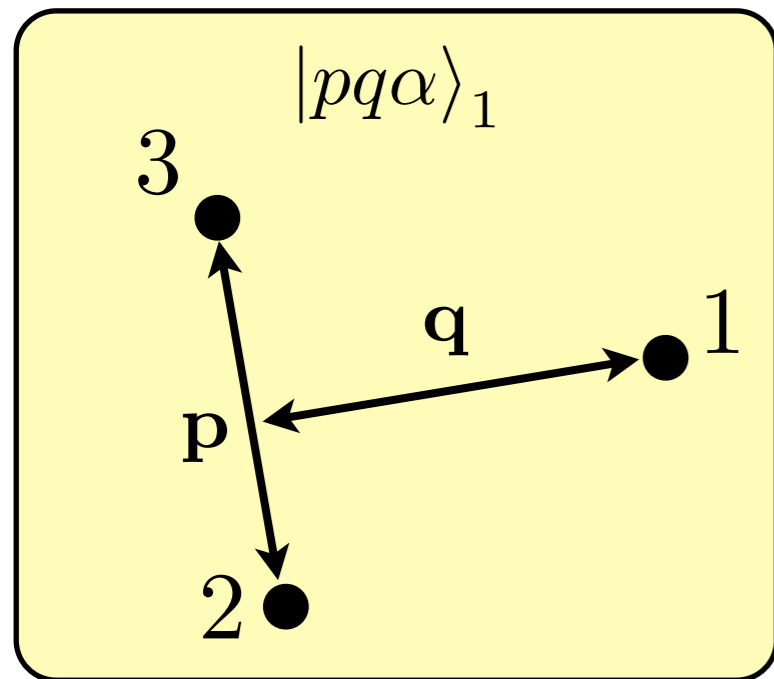
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A 'new' algorithm allows efficient calculation.

KH, Krebs, Epelbaum, Golak, Skibinski, PRC 91, 044001 (2015)

Calculation of 3N forces in momentum partial-wave representation

$$\langle pq\alpha|V_{123}|p'q'\alpha'\rangle \sim \sum_{m_i} \int d\hat{\mathbf{p}} d\hat{\mathbf{q}} d\hat{\mathbf{p}}' d\hat{\mathbf{q}}' Y_l^m(\hat{\mathbf{p}}) Y_{\bar{l}}^{\bar{m}}(\hat{\mathbf{q}}) \langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{q}ST|V_{123}|\mathbf{p}'\mathbf{q}'S'T'\rangle Y_{l'}^{m'}(\hat{\mathbf{p}}') Y_{\bar{l}'}^{\bar{m}'}(\hat{\mathbf{q}}')$$

traditional method:

- reduce dimension of angular integrals from 8 to 5 by using symmetry
- discretize angular integrals and perform all sums numerically

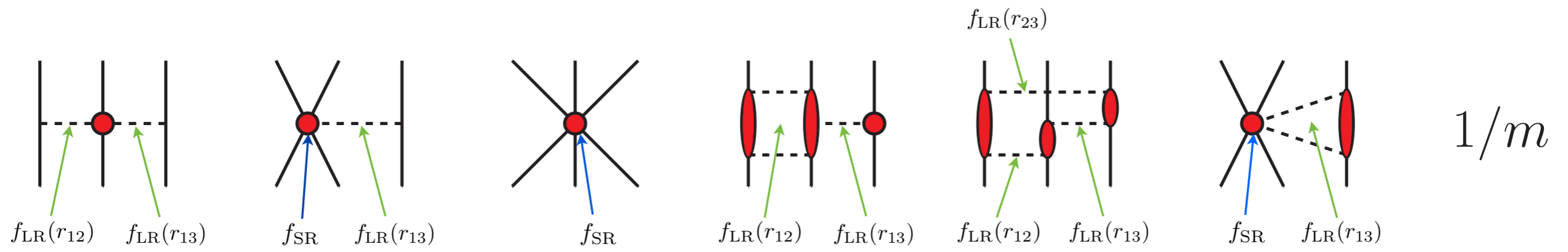
much more efficient method:

- use that all interaction contributions (except rel. corr.) are local:

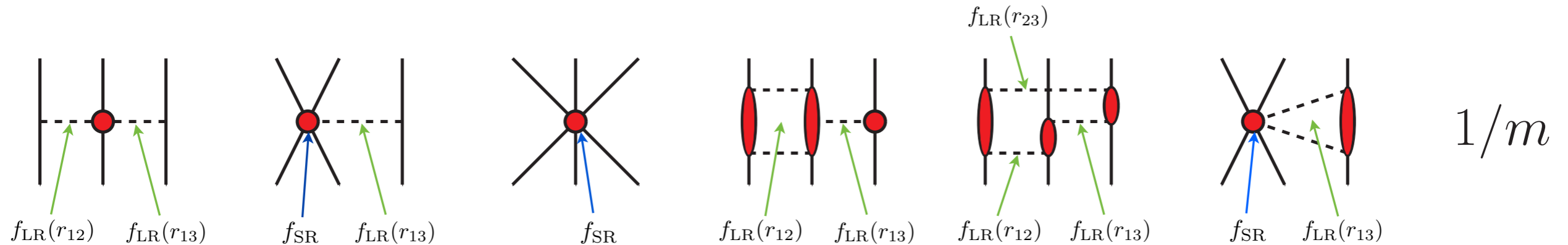
$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{q}|V_{123}|\mathbf{p}'\mathbf{q}'\rangle &= V_{123}(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}', \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{q}') \\ &= V_{123}(p - p', q - q', \cos \theta) \end{aligned}$$

- allows to perform all except for 3 integrals analytically
- only a few small discrete internal sums need to be performed for each external momentum and angular momentum

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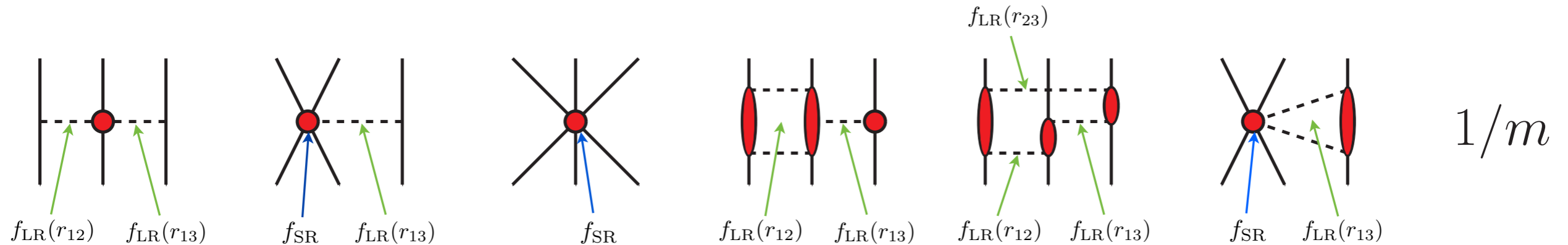
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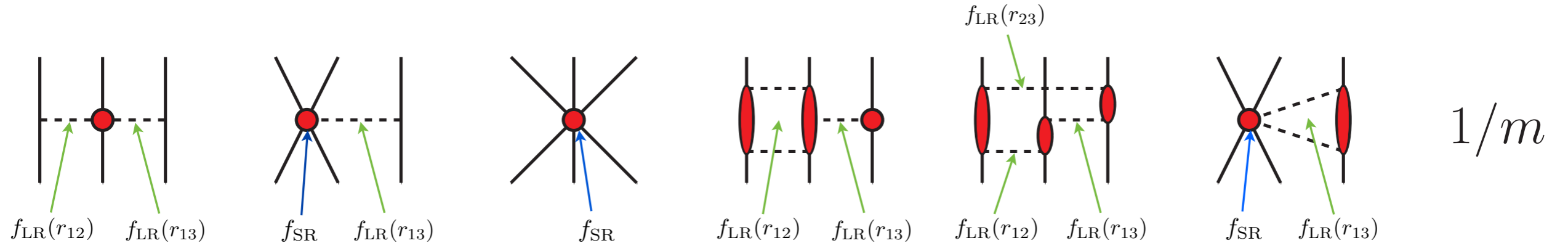
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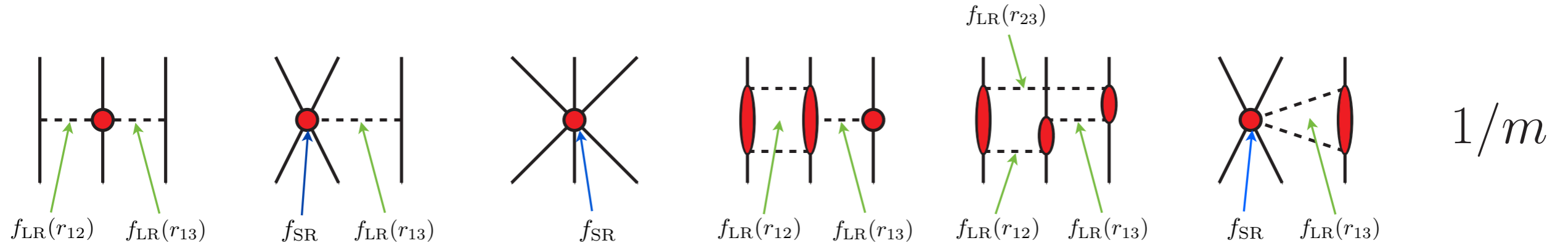


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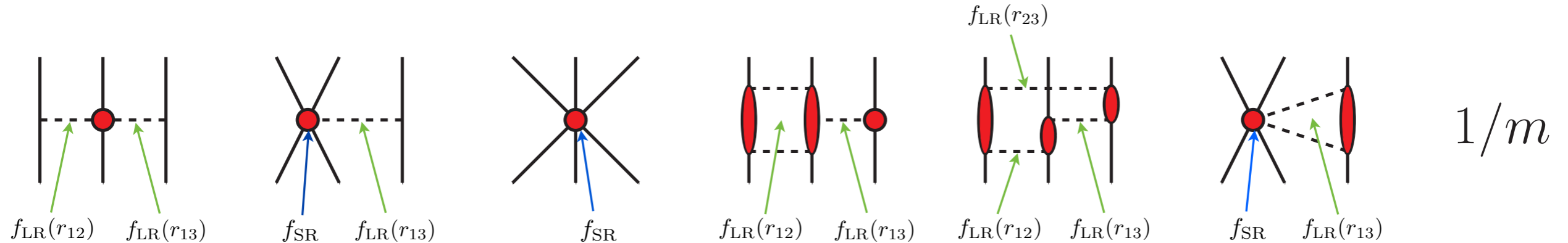
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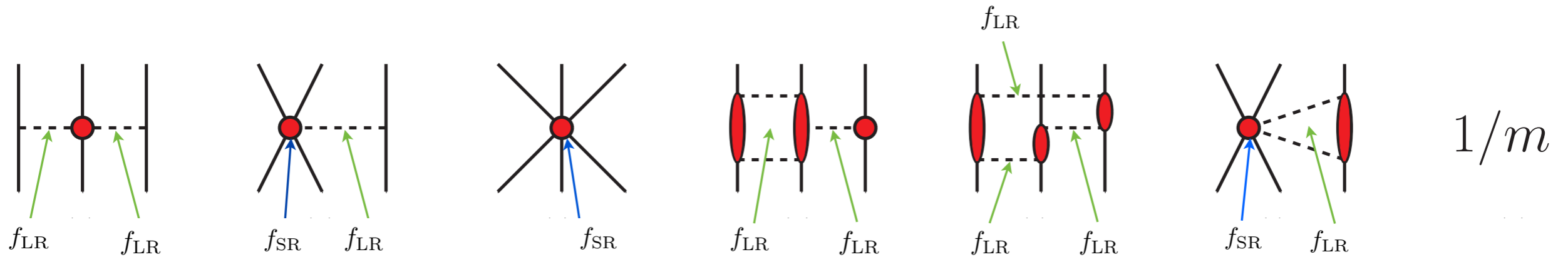
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$$V_{123} = V_{123}(p - p', q - q', \cos \theta) = V_{123}(\tilde{p}, \tilde{q}, \cos \theta)$$

Example:

N2LO 2pi topology:
$$V_{123}^{2\pi} \sim \frac{1}{(\mathbf{q}_2^2 + m_\pi^2)(\mathbf{q}_3^2 + m_\pi^2)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{((\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}/2)^2 + m_\pi^2)((\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}/2)^2 + m_\pi^2)}$$

→
$$V_{123}^{2\pi, reg} \sim \frac{f_{LR}(\mathbf{q}_2) f_{LR}(\mathbf{q}_3)}{(\mathbf{q}_2^2 + m_\pi^2)(\mathbf{q}_3^2 + m_\pi^2)}$$

Status and storage of 3NF matrix elements

- Calculation of matrix elements at N2LO completed
- all 3N topologies are calculated and stored separately, allows to easily adjust values of LECs $c_1, c_3, c_4, c_D, c_E, C_S$ and C_T
- calculated matrix elements of Faddeev components

$$\langle pq\alpha | V_{123}^i | p'q'\alpha' \rangle$$

as well as fully and partially antisymmetrized matrix elements

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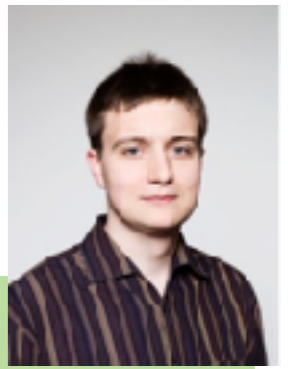
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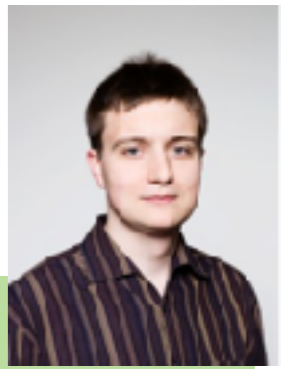
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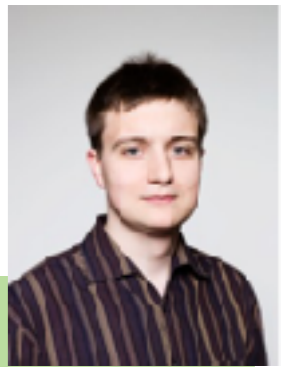
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Drischler et al. arXiv:1710.08220 (2017)

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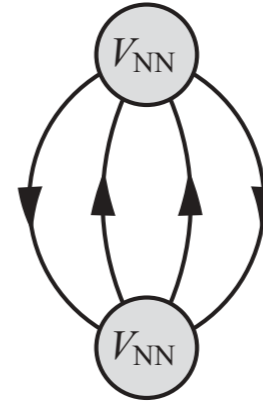
Implementation of nonlocal NN plus 3N forces up to N3LO complete.

Implemented MBPT diagrams up to 4th order for state-of-the-art interactions.

Entem et al. PRC 96, 024004 (2017)

Example: Second order diagram in MBPT

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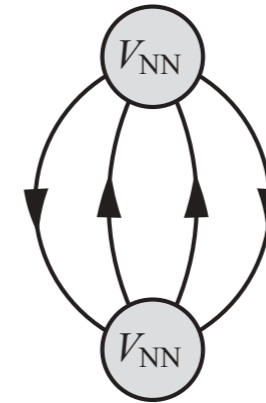


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PRC 82, 014314 (2013)

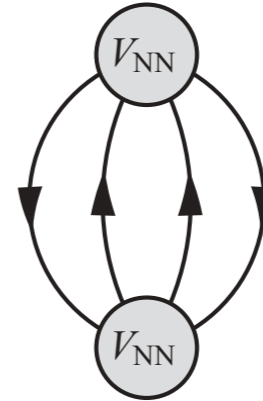
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- each diagram a compact single line of code
- straightforward to automatize code generation
- adaptive evaluation of integrals using Monte-Carlo techniques

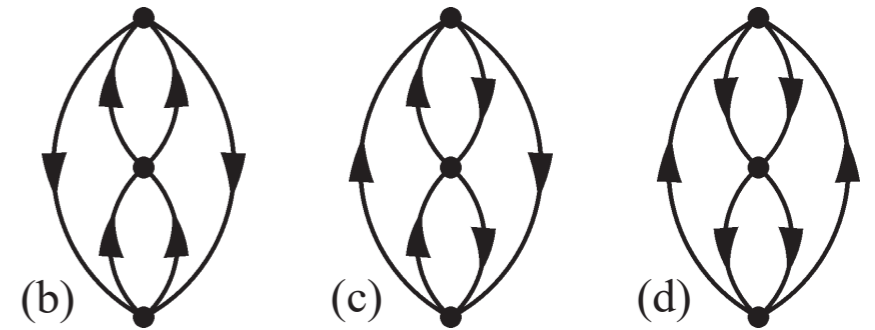
Higher-order contributions

example: third order (particle-particle, hole-hole, particle-hole)

$$\frac{E_1^{(3)}}{V} = + \frac{1}{8} \sum_{\substack{ijkl \\ ab}} \frac{\langle ij | \mathcal{A}_{12} V_{\text{NN}} | ab \rangle \langle kl | \mathcal{A}_{12} V_{\text{NN}} | ij \rangle \langle ab | \mathcal{A}_{12} V_{\text{NN}} | kl \rangle}{D_{ijab} D_{klab}},$$

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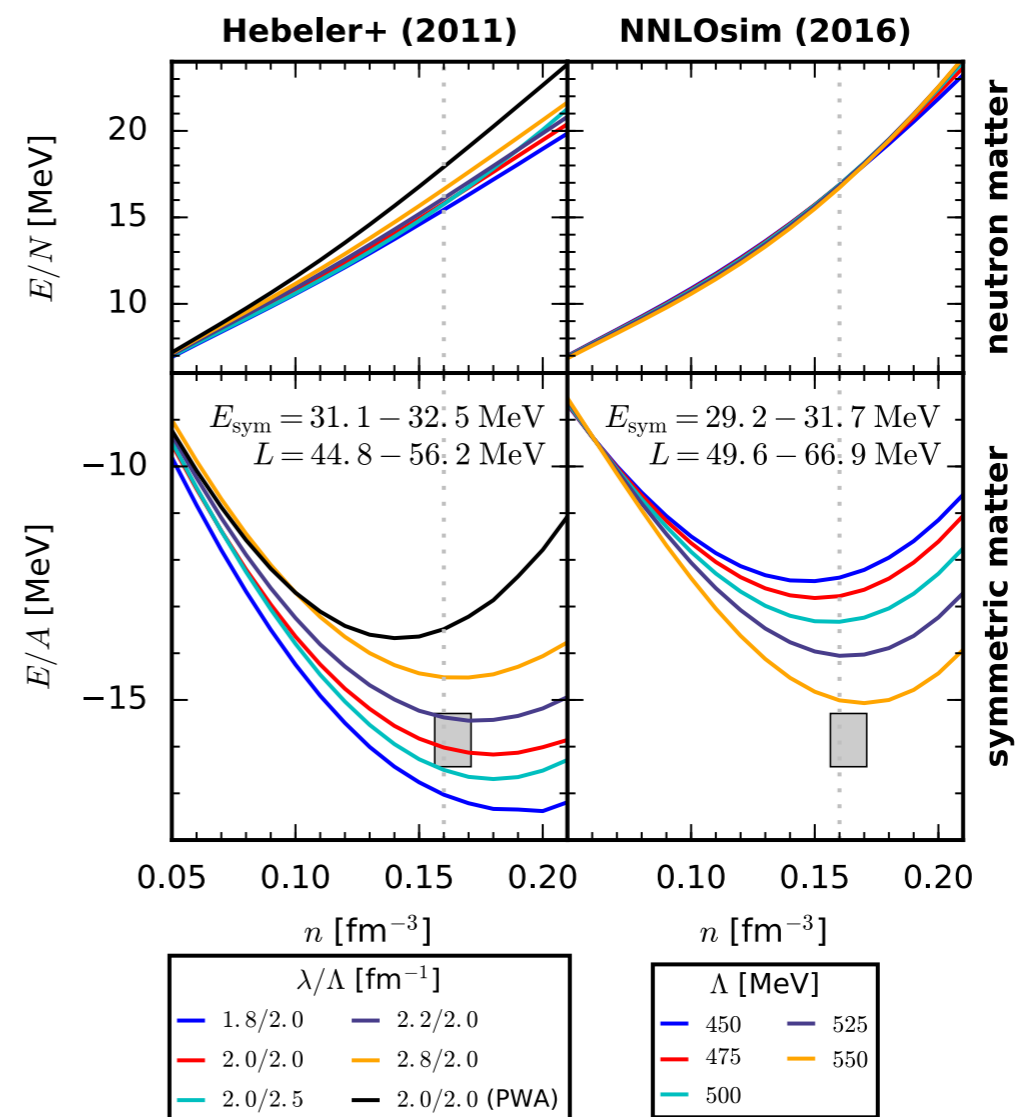
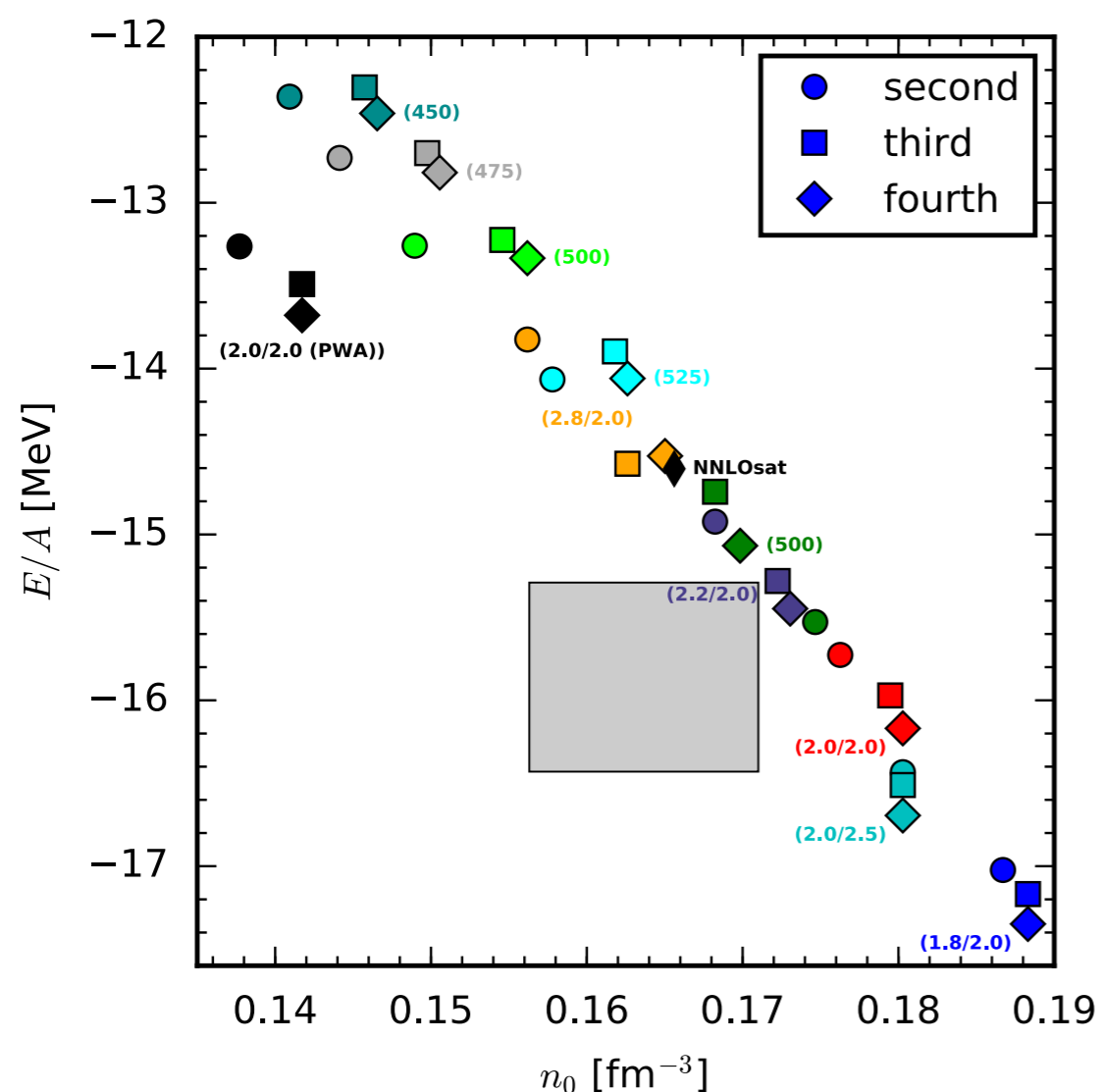
Status:

- implemented all NN diagrams up to **fourth order** in MBPT, 3N interactions up to **third order**
- implemented all NN and 3N interactions (nonlocal) **up to N3LO**
- possible to also use **NN matrix elements** stored in **partial wave basis** by partial wave resummation
- interaction interface suitable for all **many-body frameworks** that require matrix elements in a momentum vector single-particle basis

Proof of principle:

Fits of 3N interactions to saturation properties of nuclear matter

- incorporation of saturation properties in fits was not possible so far due to insufficient efficiency of many-body calculations
- performed calculations up to 4th order for set of presently used NN interactions, natural convergence pattern Drischler et al., arXiv:1710.08220 (2017)

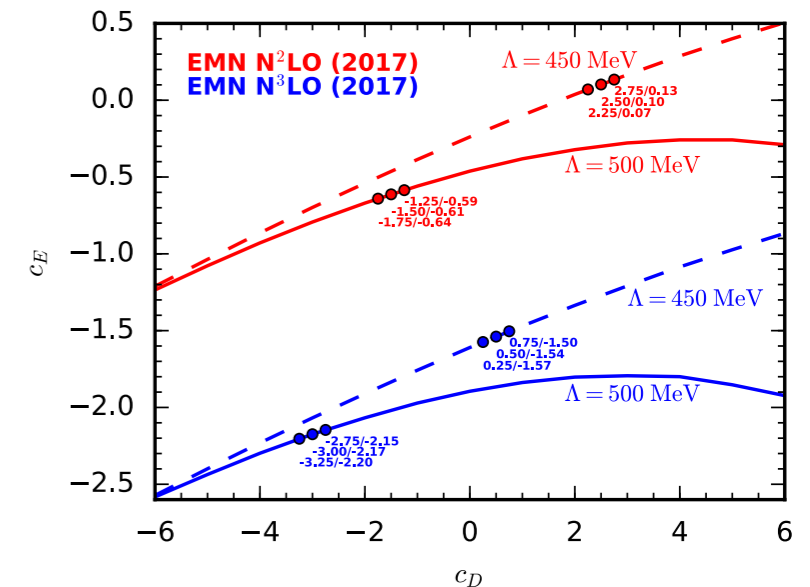


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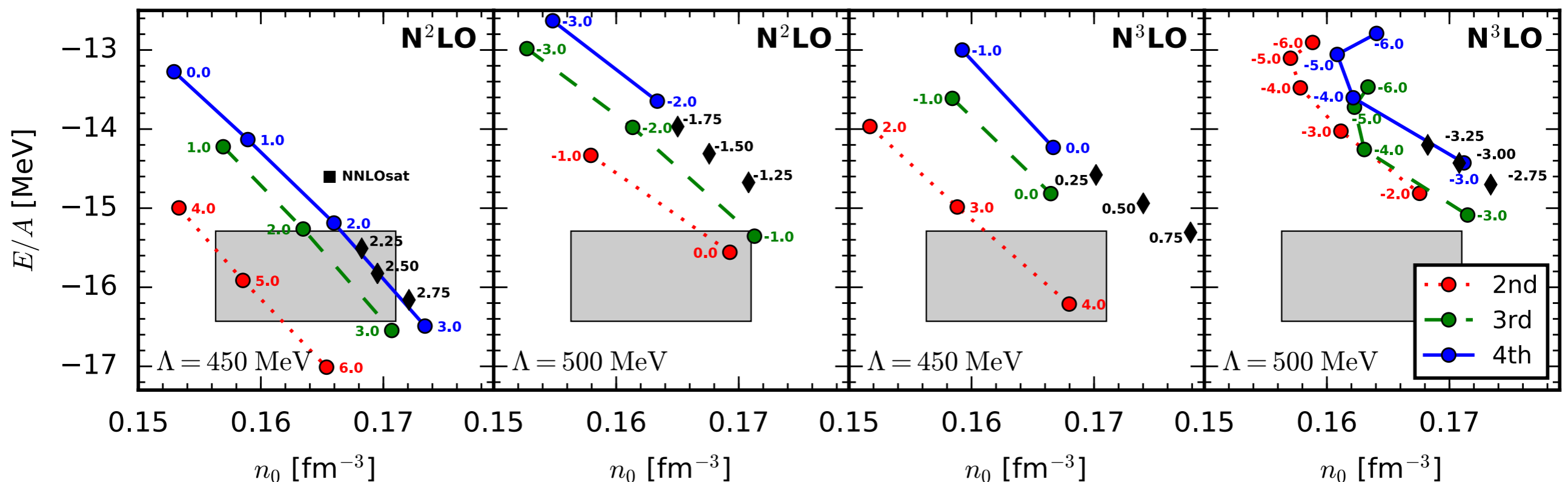
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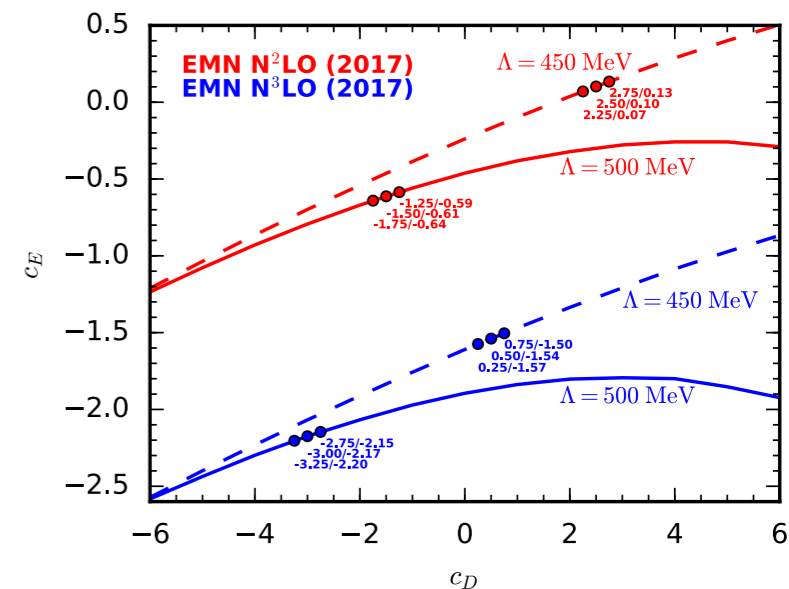
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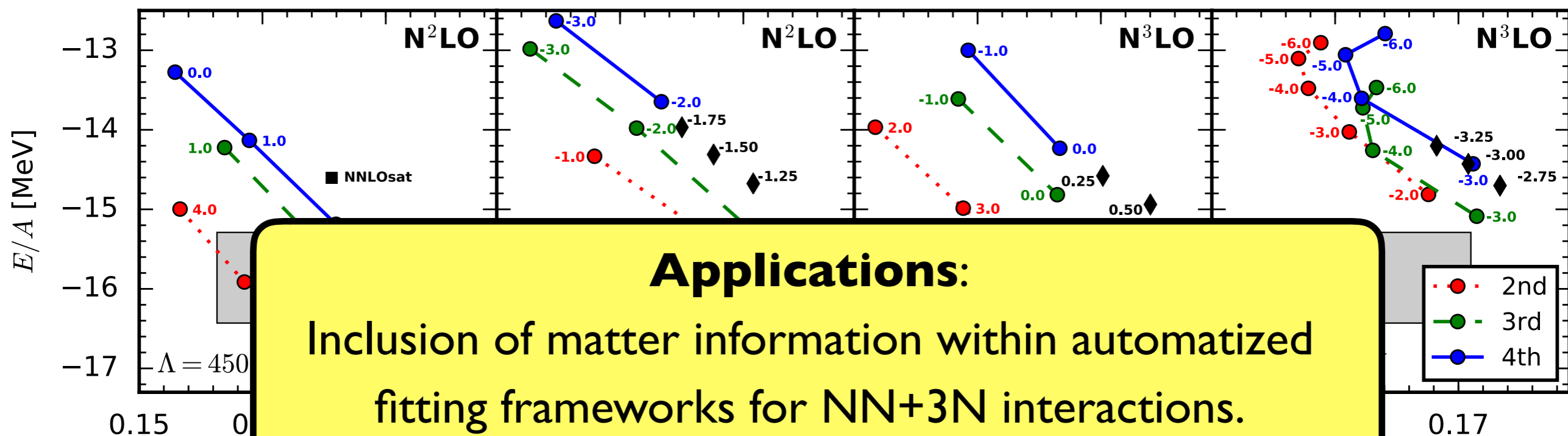
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see e.g. Carlsson et al., PRX 6, 011019 (2016)

Thank you!

Backup slides

Status of 3NF matrix element calculation

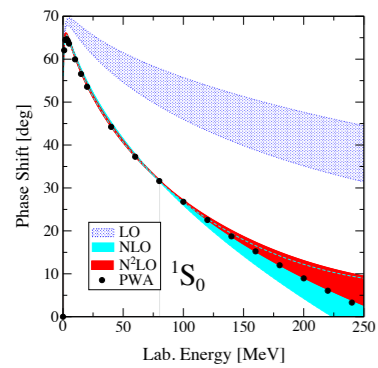
\mathcal{J}	J_{12}^{\max}	C_1, C_3, C_4, C_D, C_E	$1/m$ OPE (fixed β_8, β_9)
1/2	8	✓	✓
3/2	8	✓	✓
5/2	7	✓	✓
7/2	7	✓	✓
9/2	6	✓	✓

- $N_p = 25, p_{\max} = 10 \text{ fm}^{-1}$ $N_q = 25, q_{\max} = 10 \text{ fm}^{-1}$
- Computed for cutoffs $\Lambda = 400, 450, 500, 550 \text{ MeV}$
- Calculation of $1/m$ TPE expensive! need to fix values of β_8, β_9

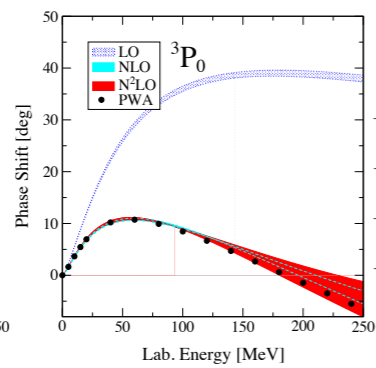
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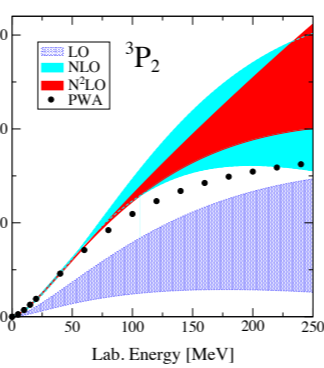
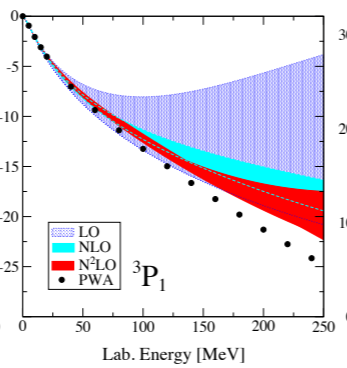
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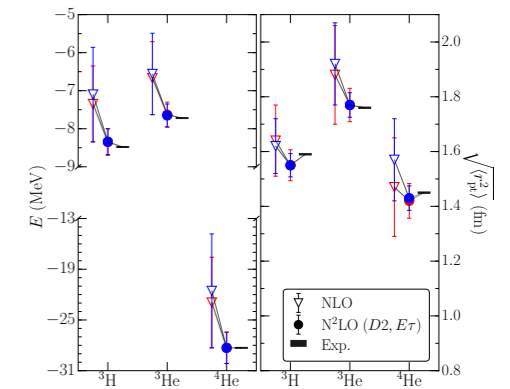
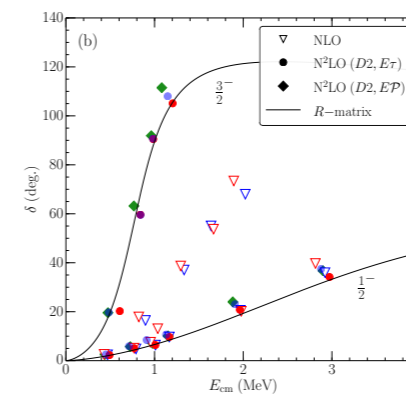
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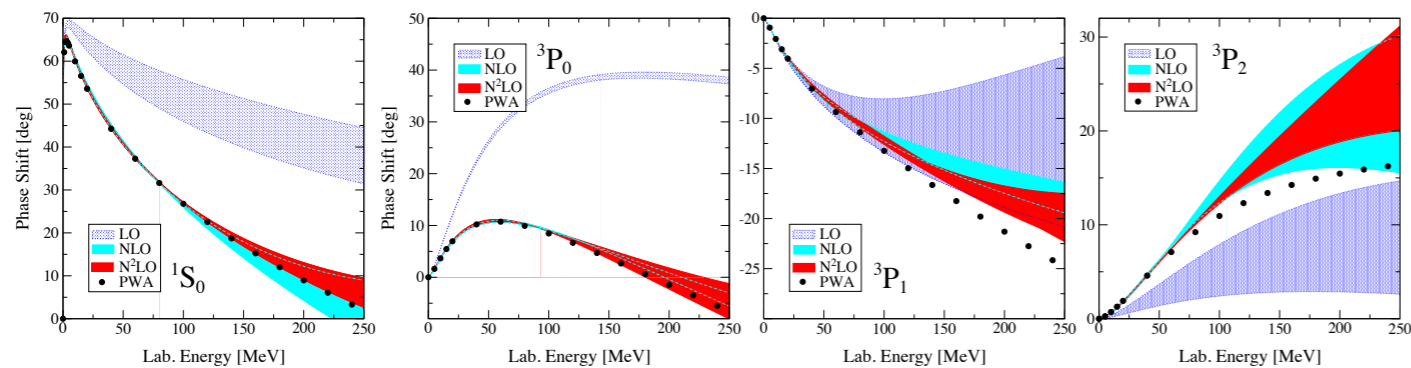
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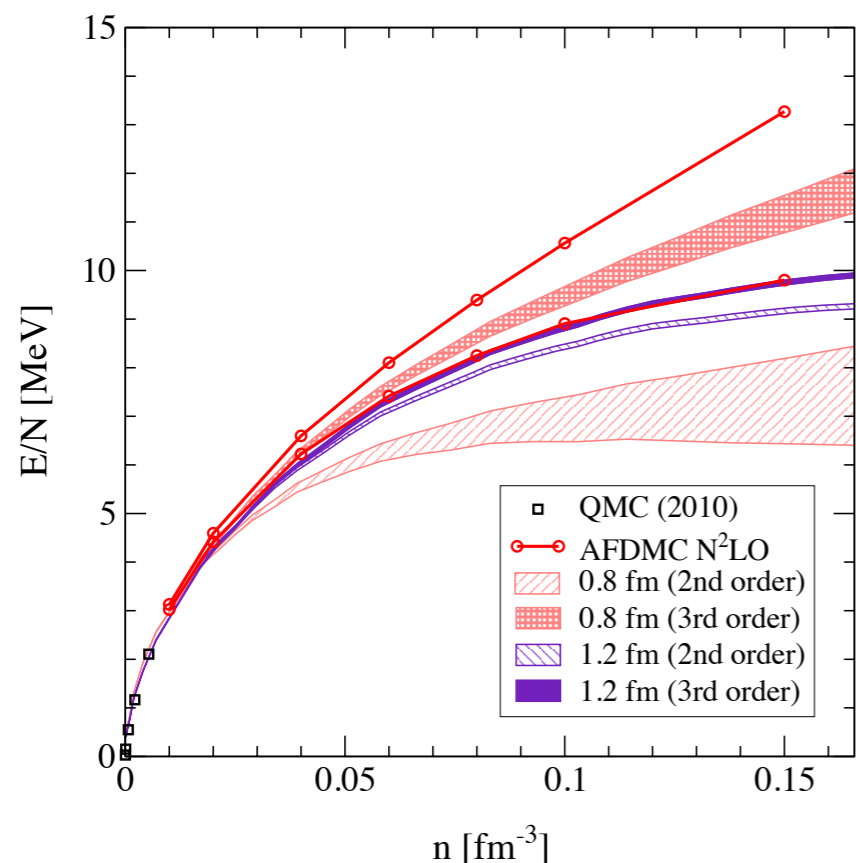
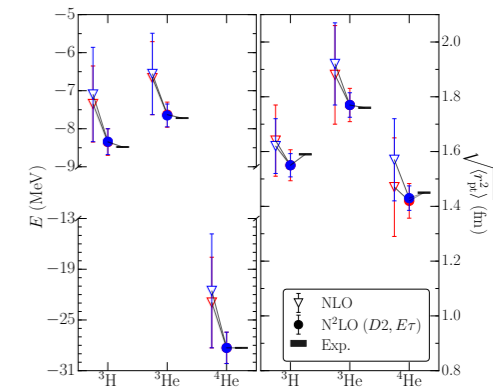
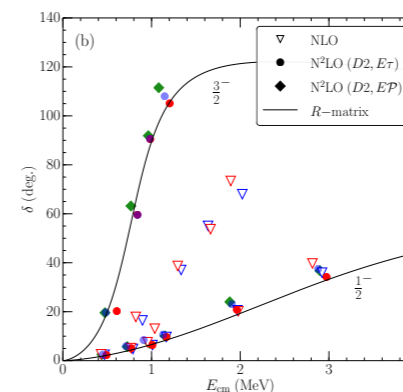
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first Quantum Monte Carlo of neutron matter based on chiral EFT interactions

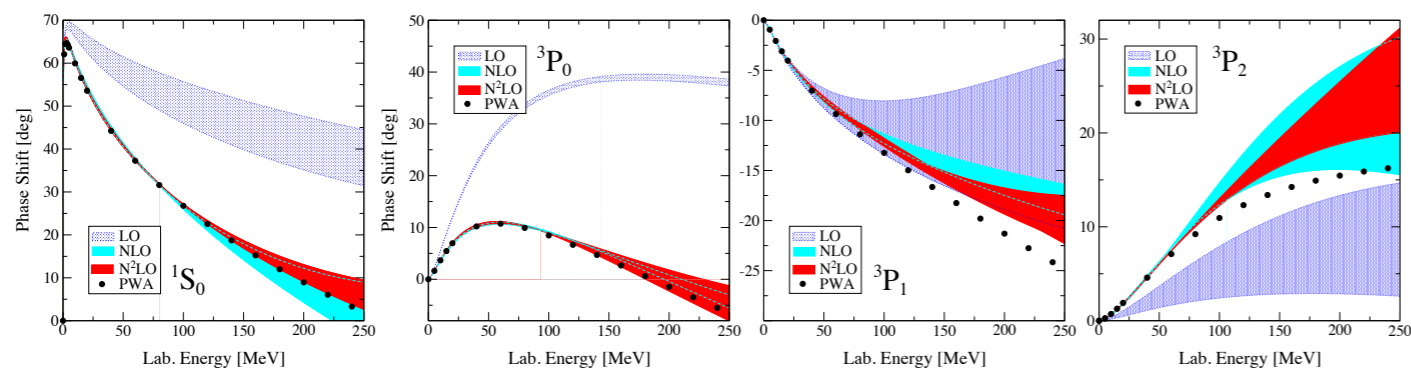
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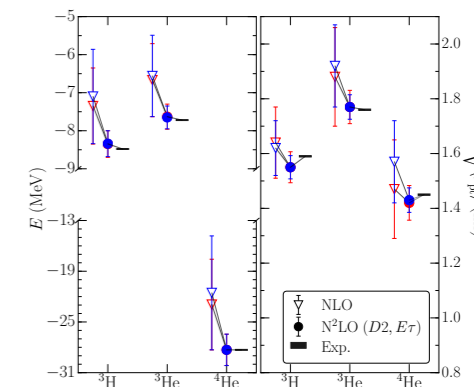
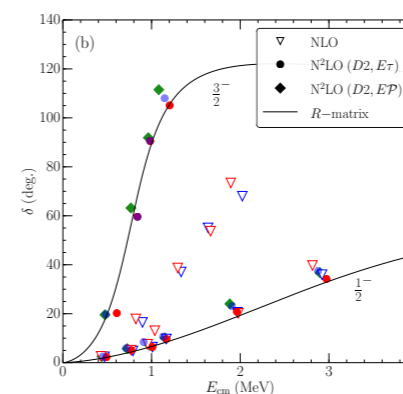
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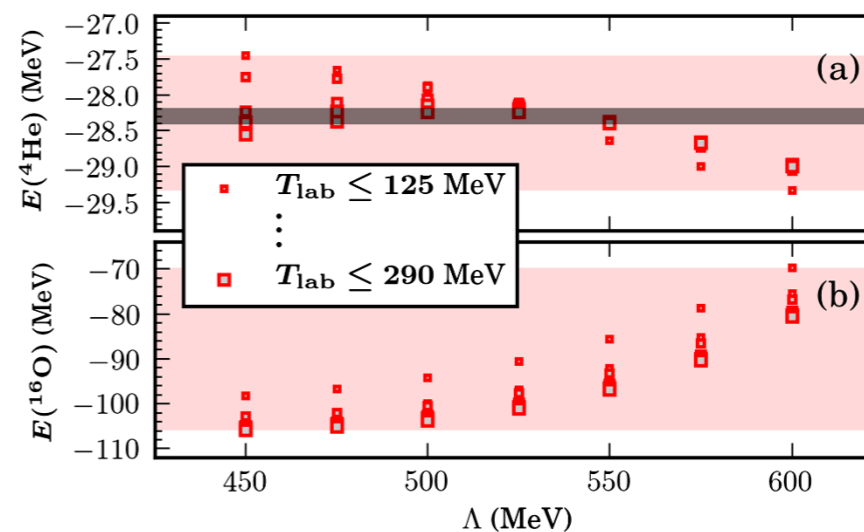
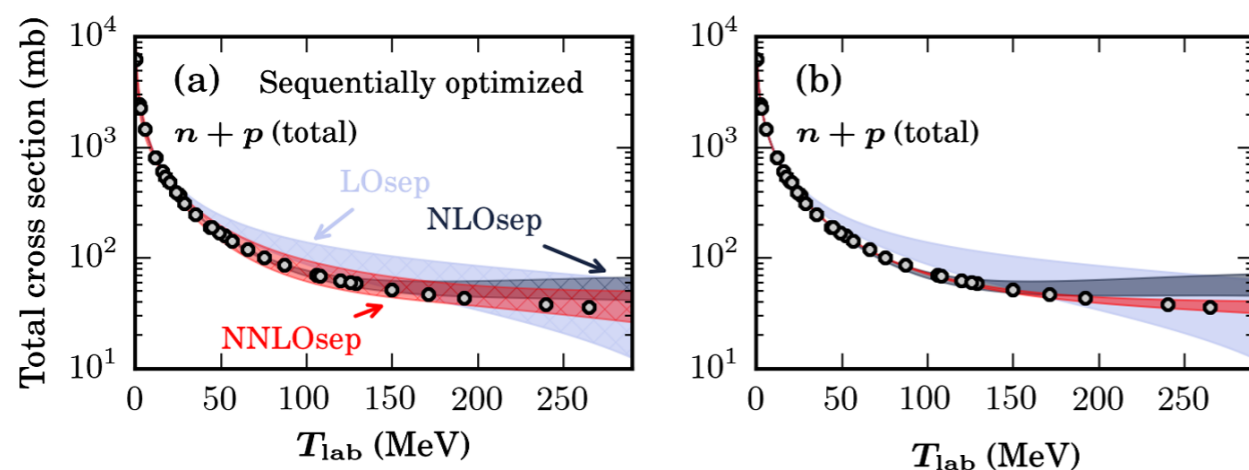
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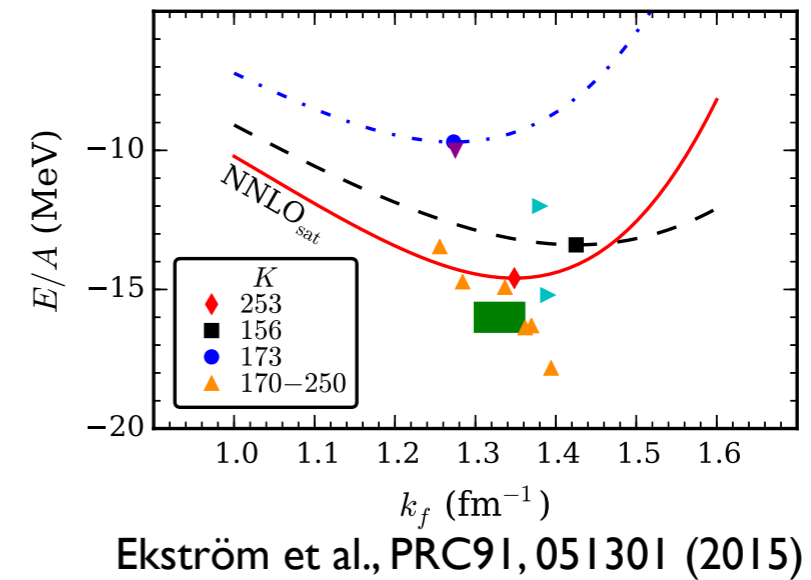
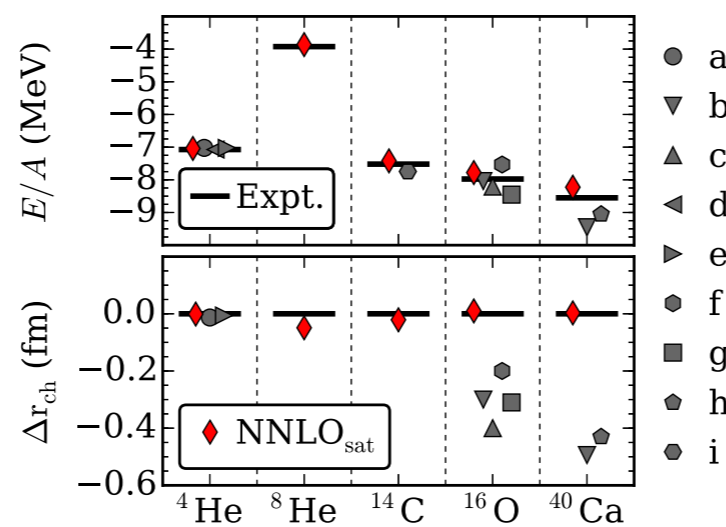
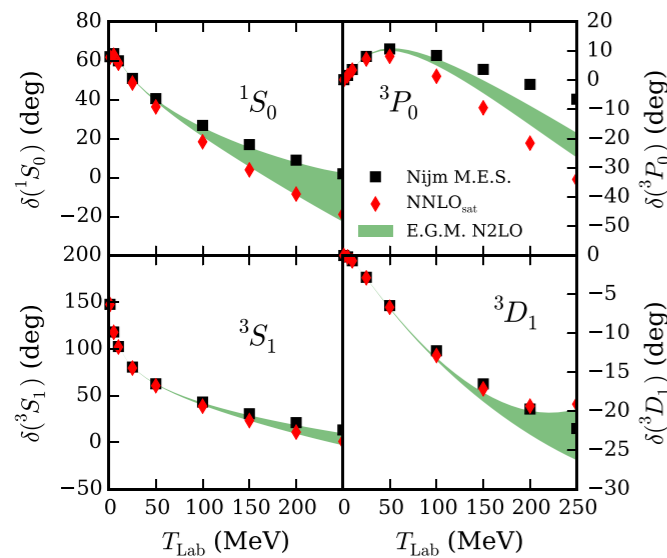


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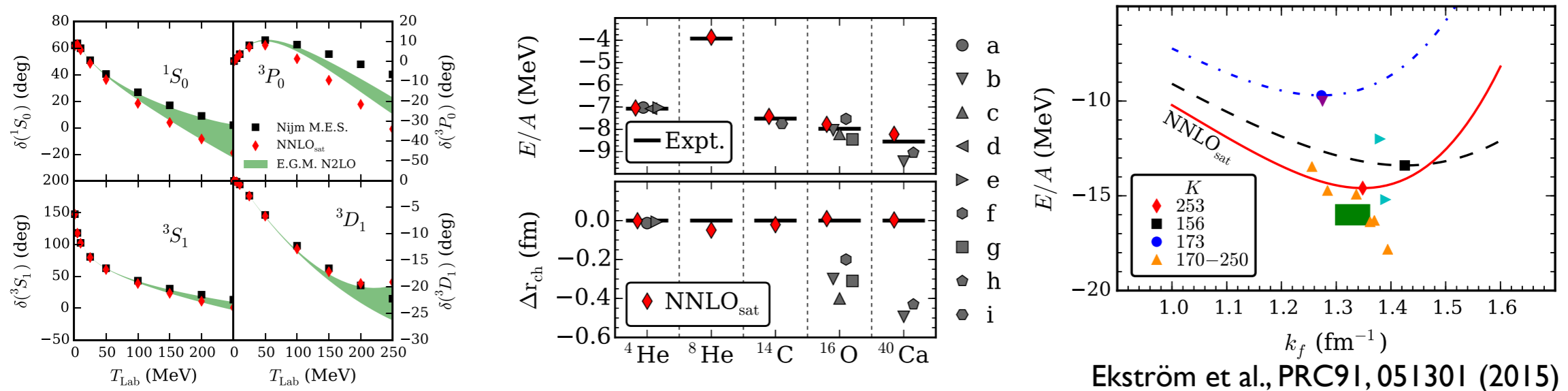
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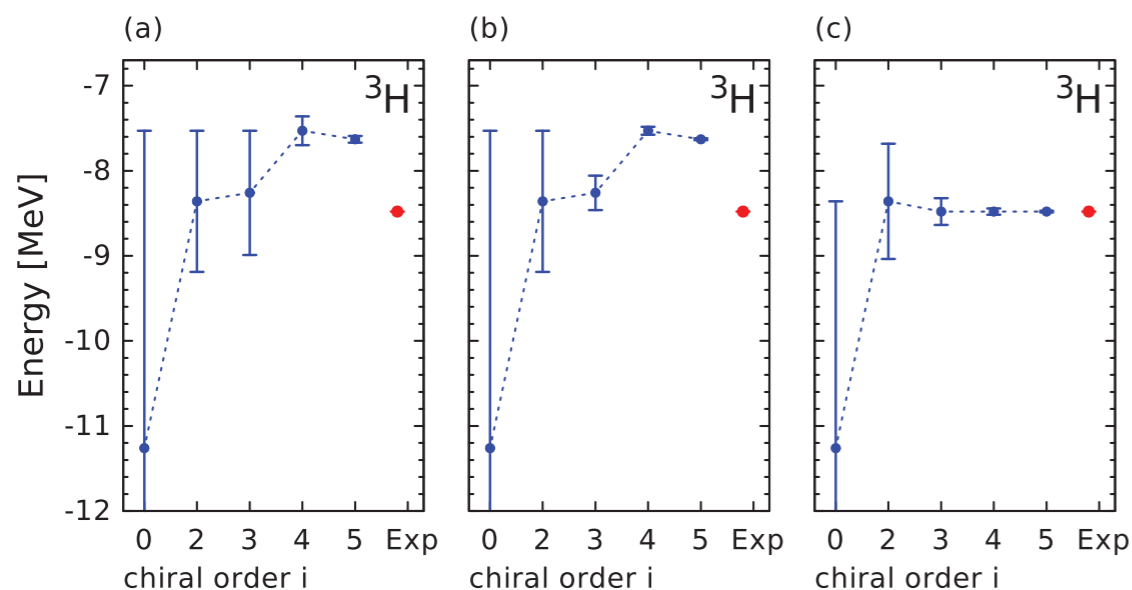
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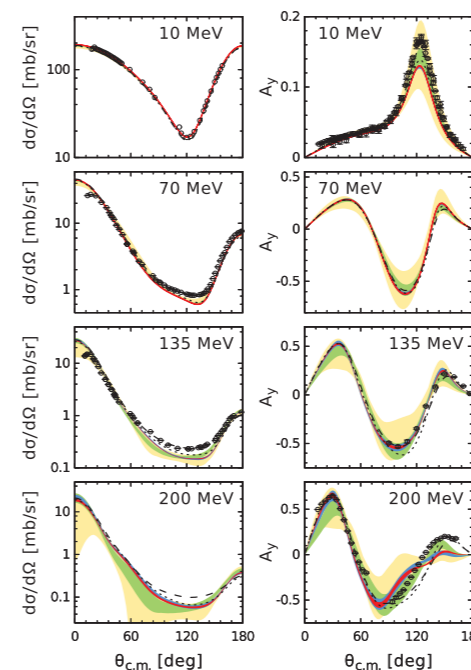
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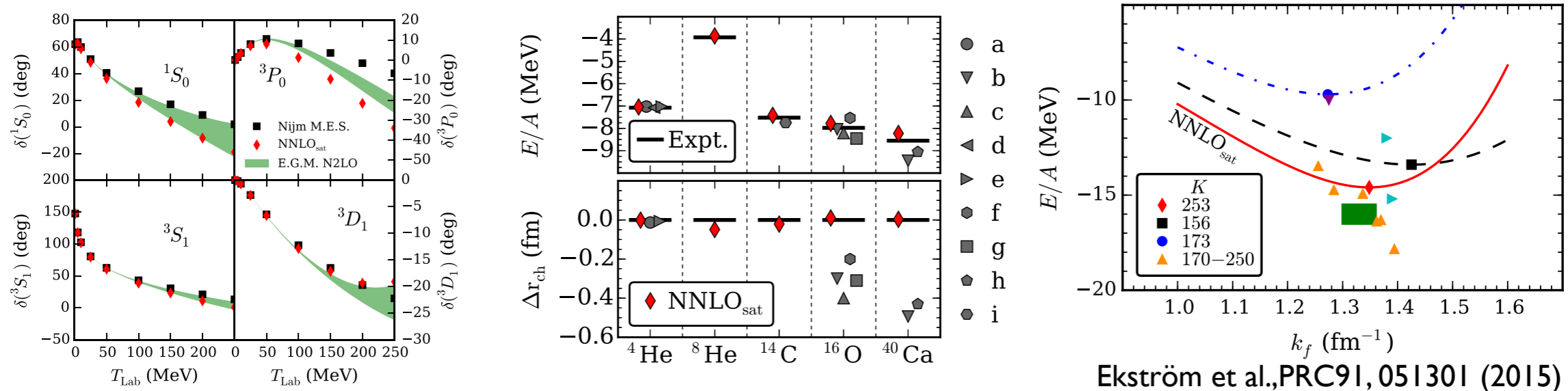
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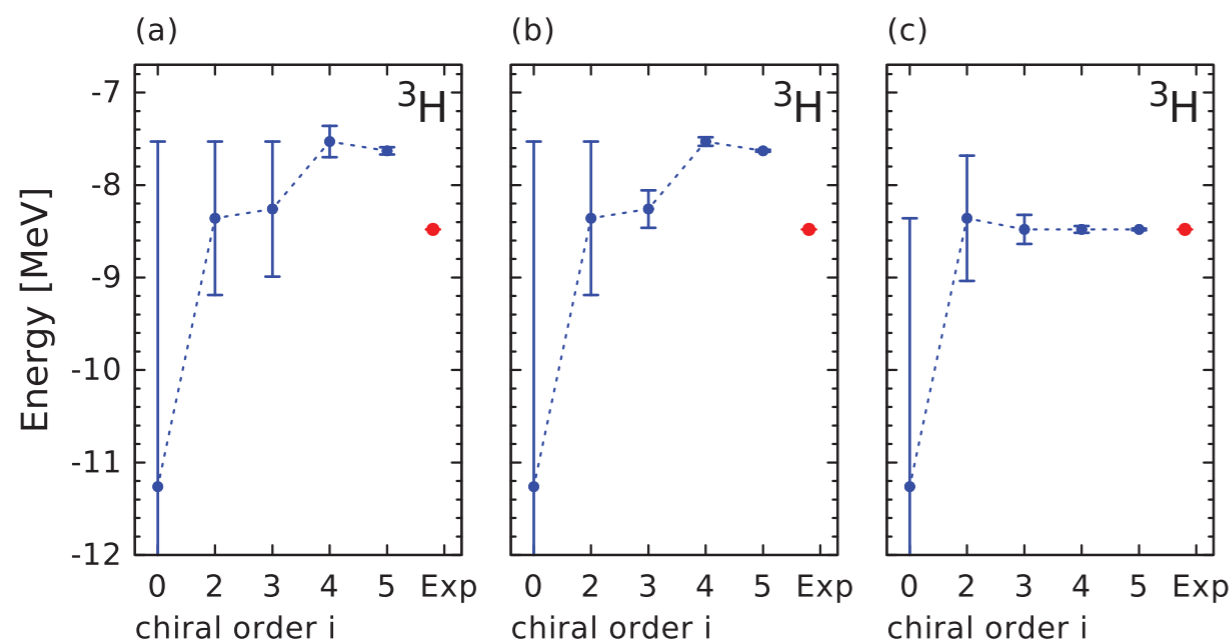
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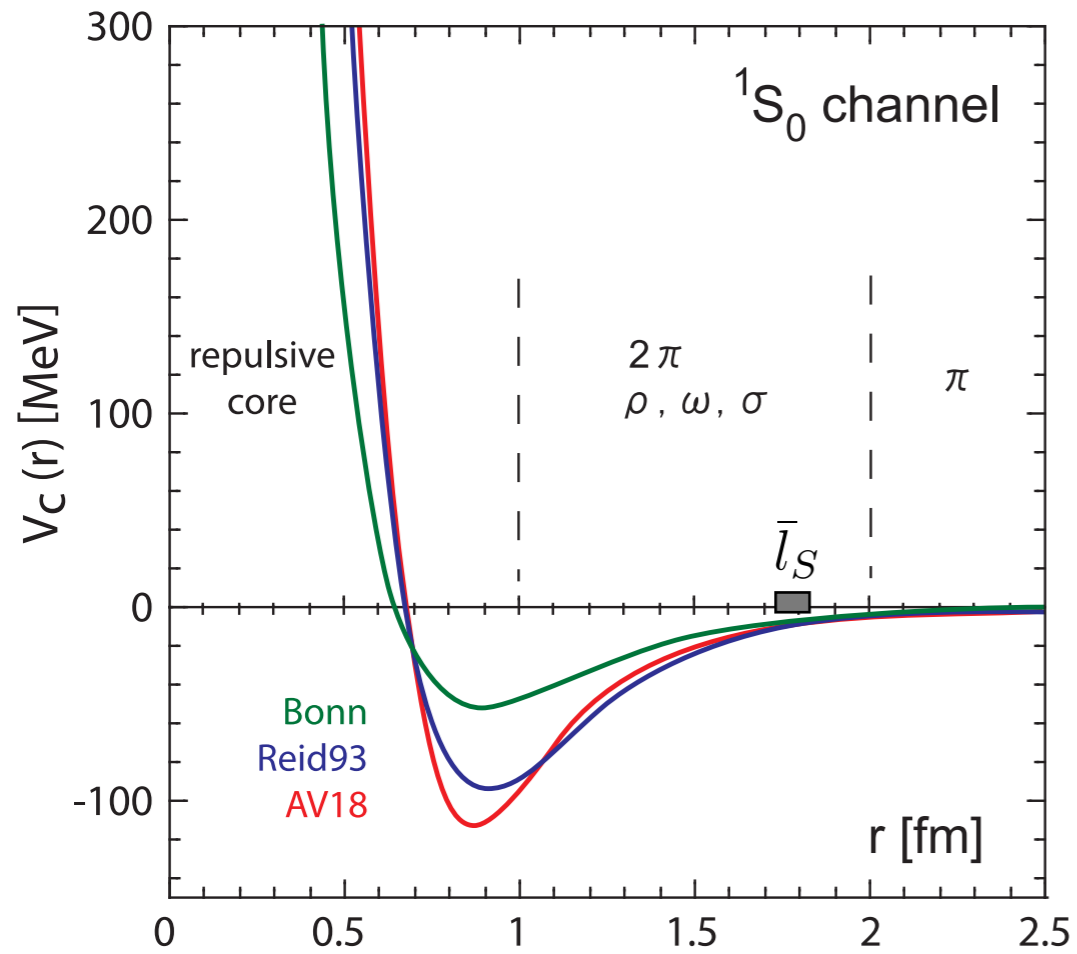
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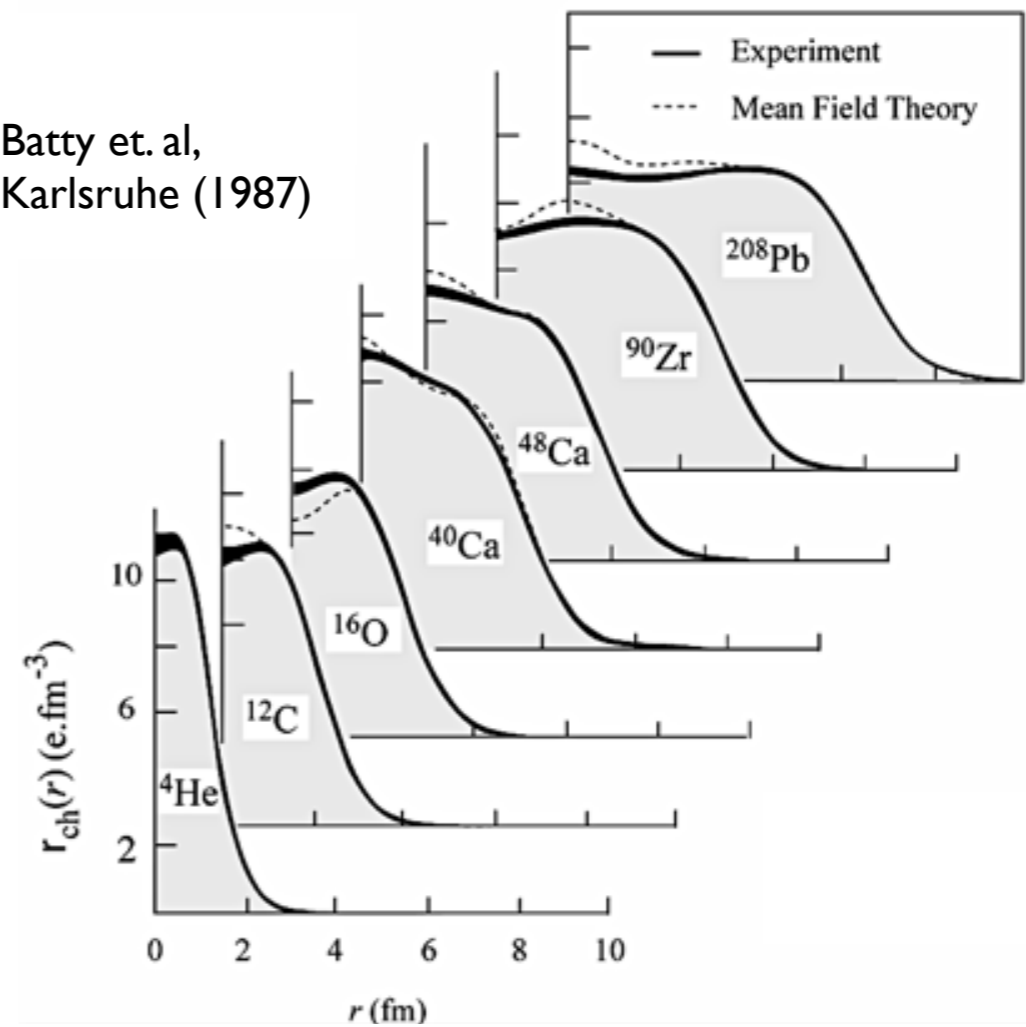
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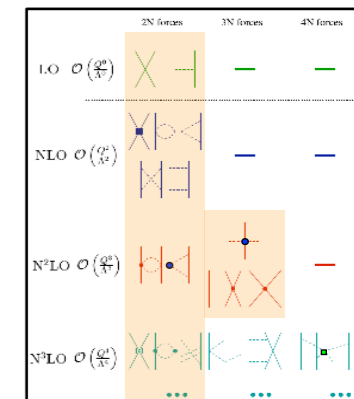
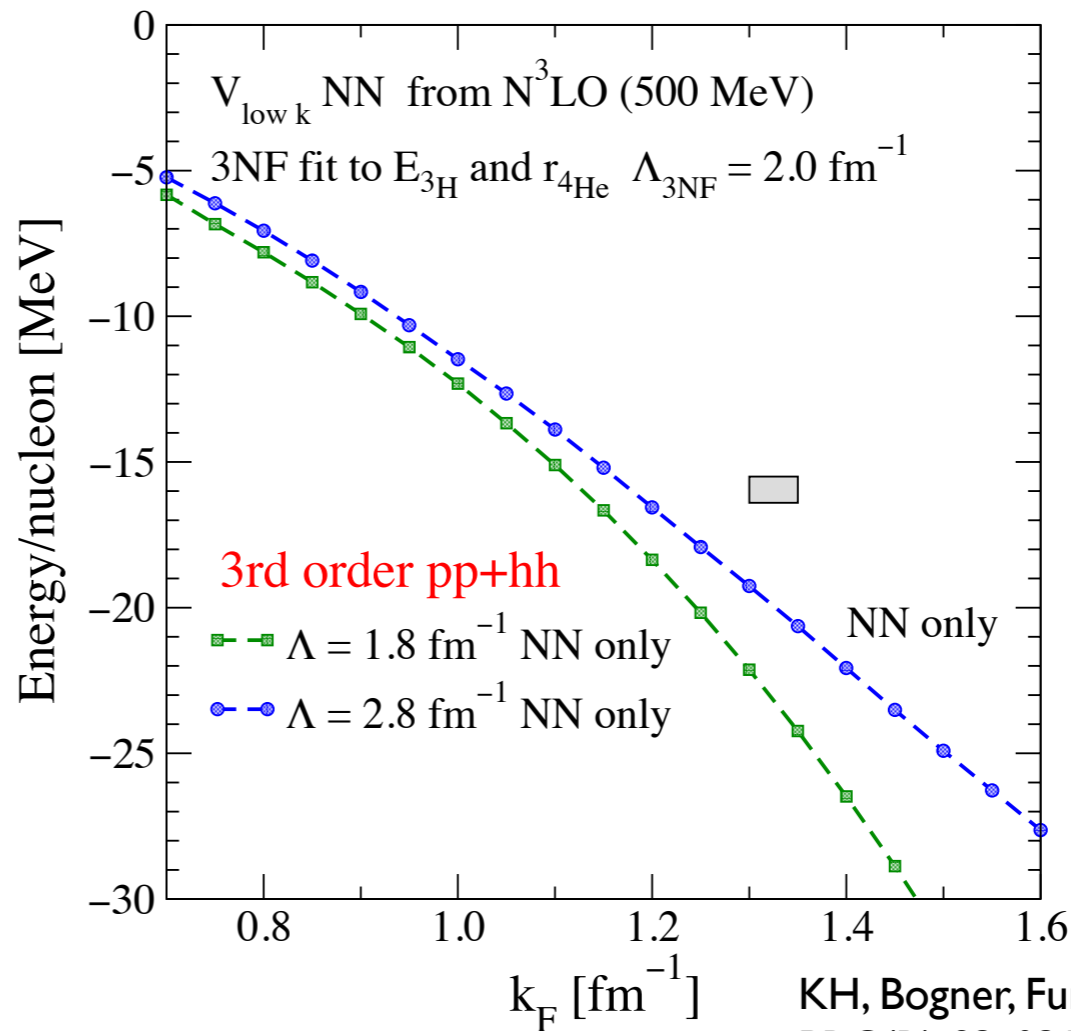
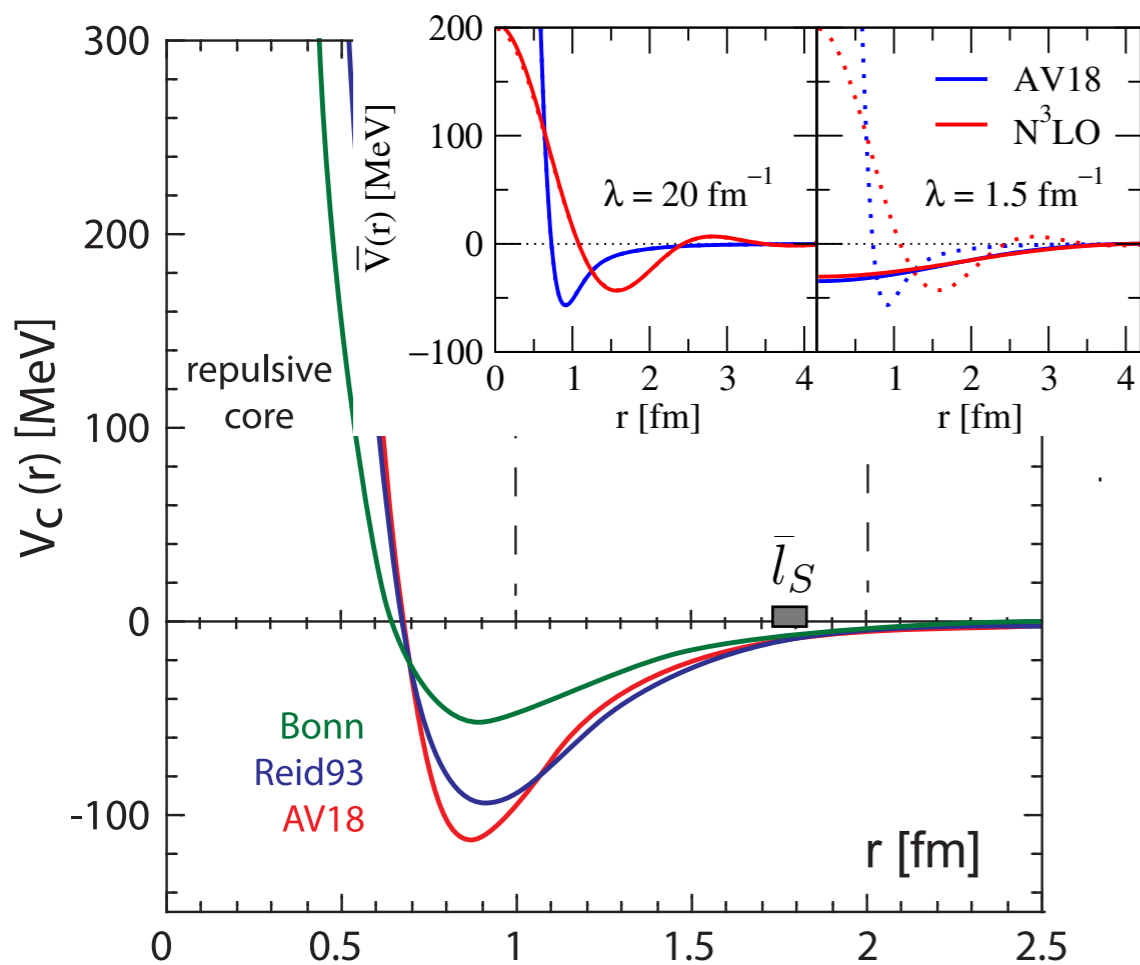
Equation of state of symmetric nuclear matter: nuclear saturation



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Fitting the 3NF LECs at low resolution scales



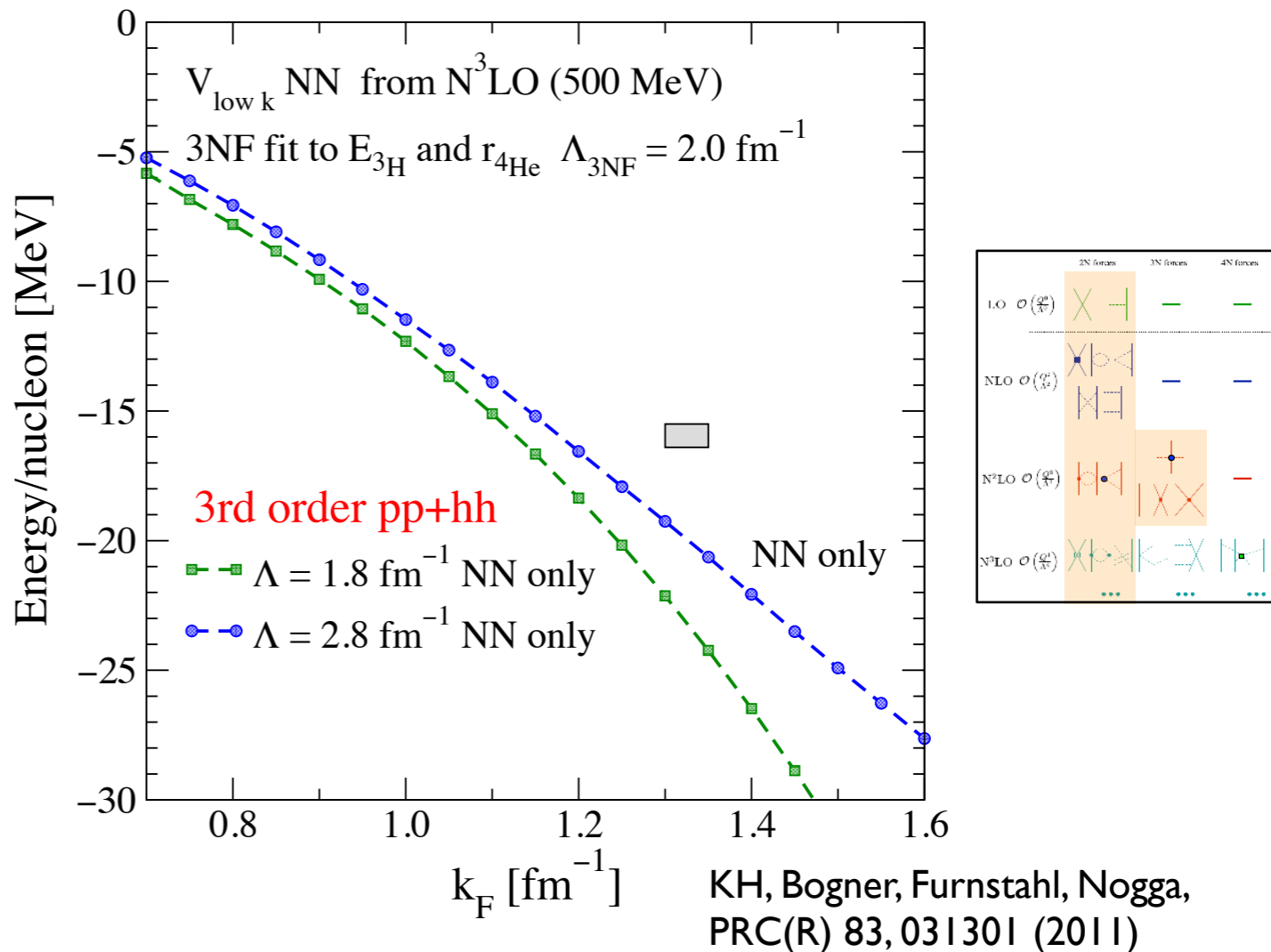
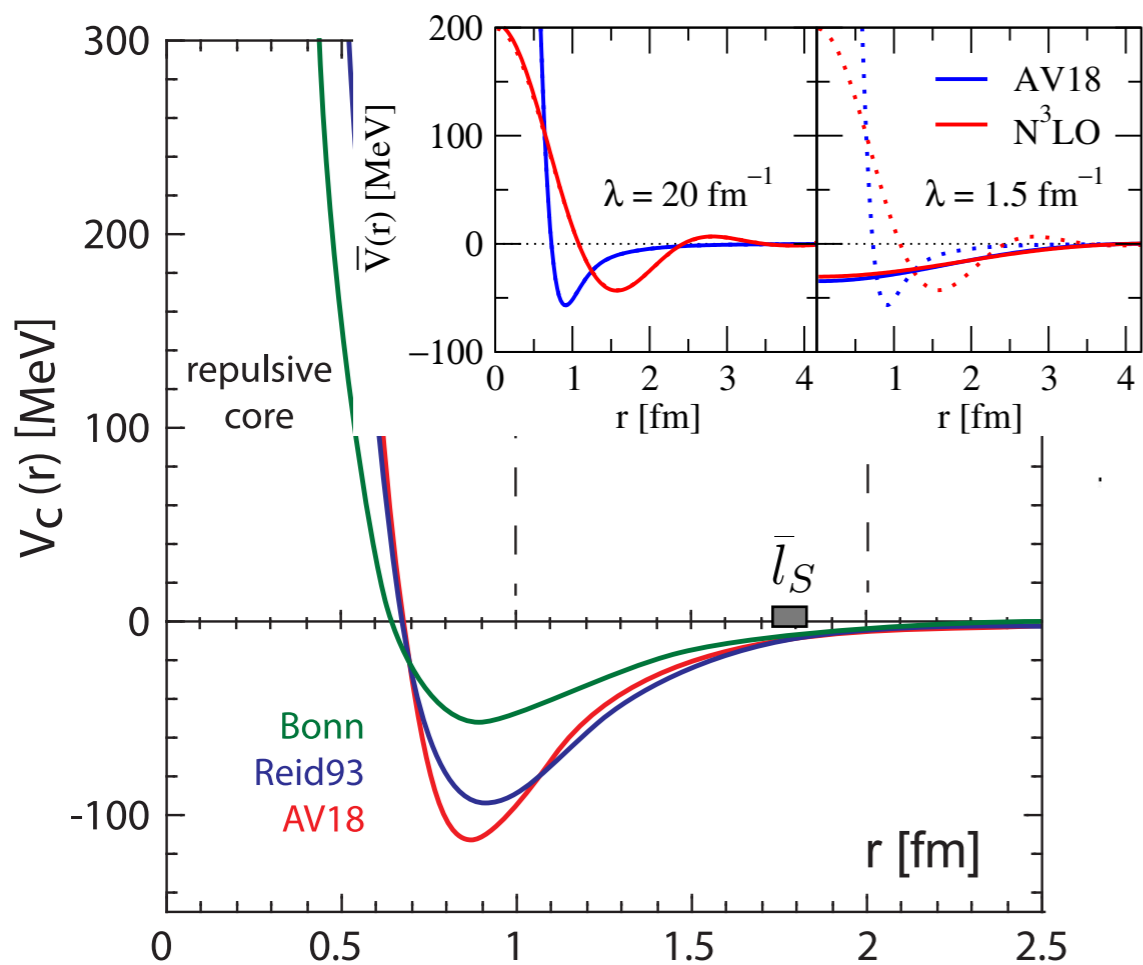
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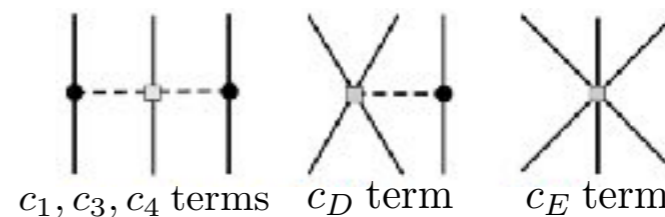


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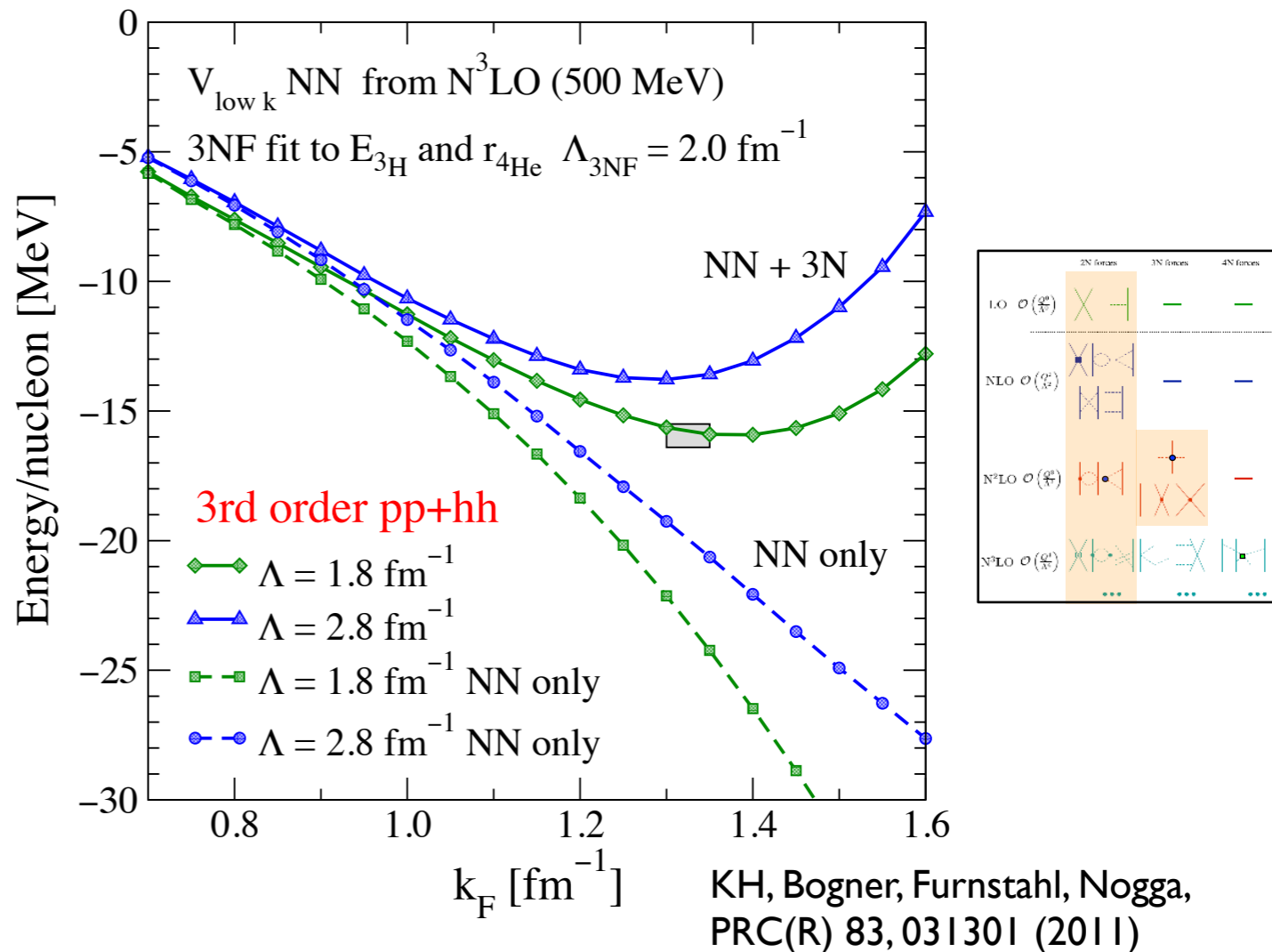
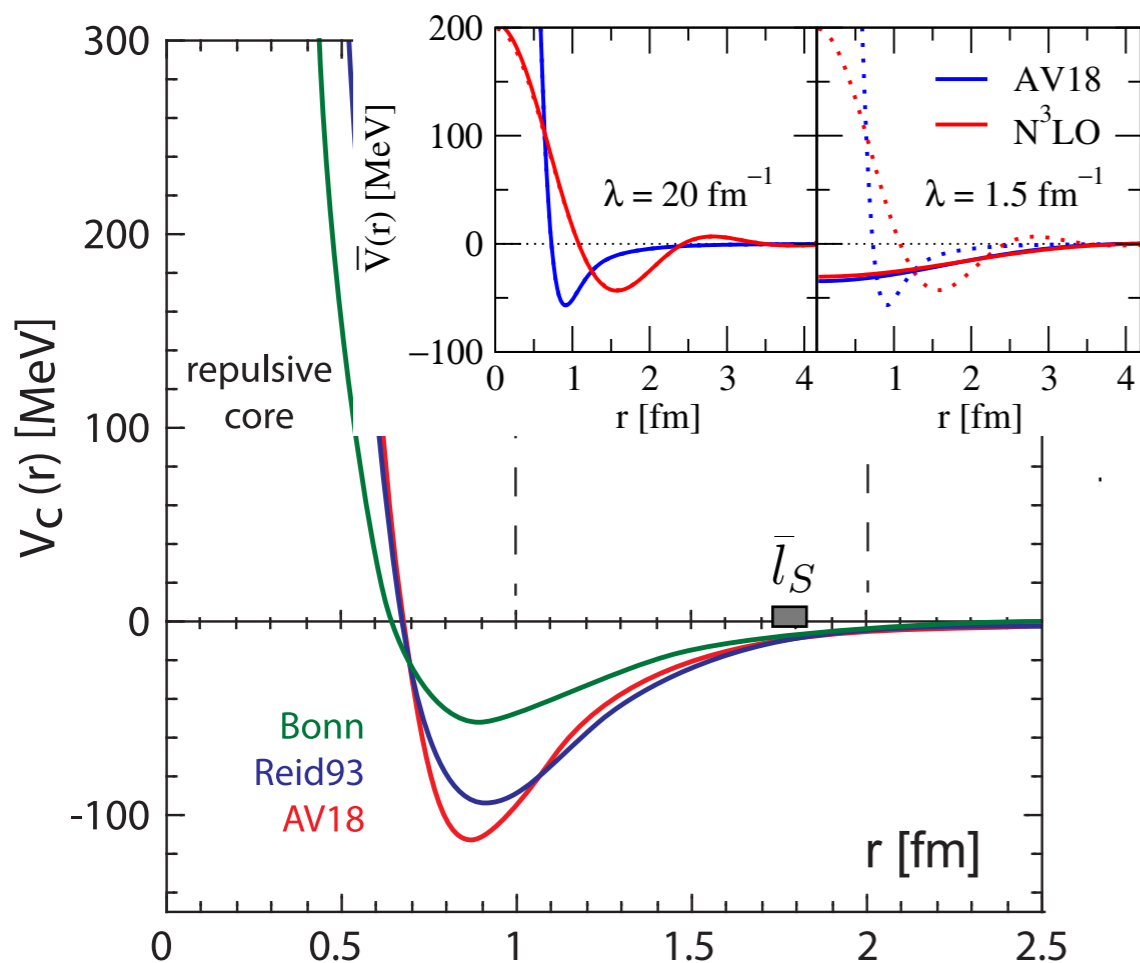
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intermediate (c_D) and short-range (c_E) 3NF couplings fitted to few-body systems at different resolution scales:

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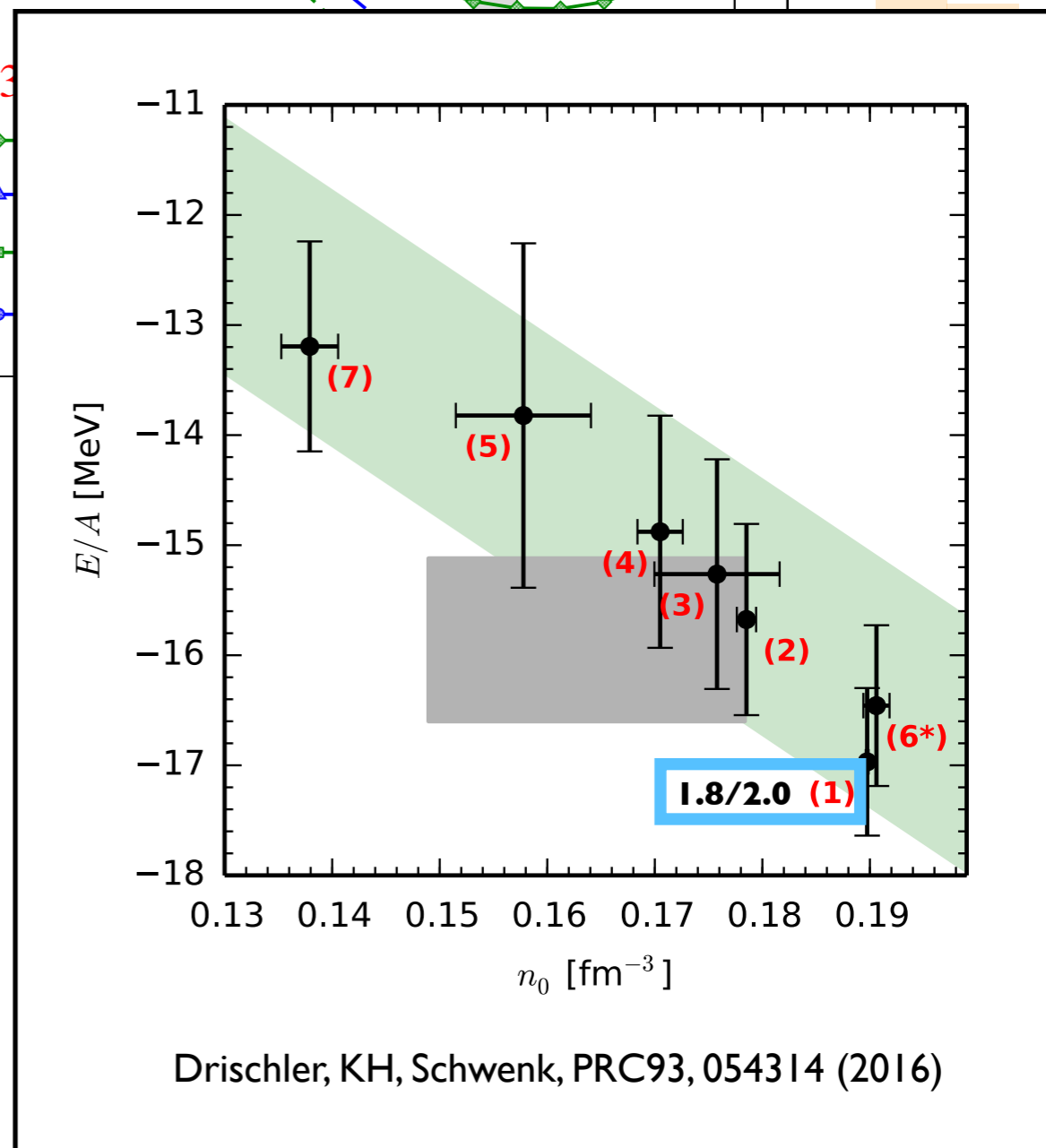
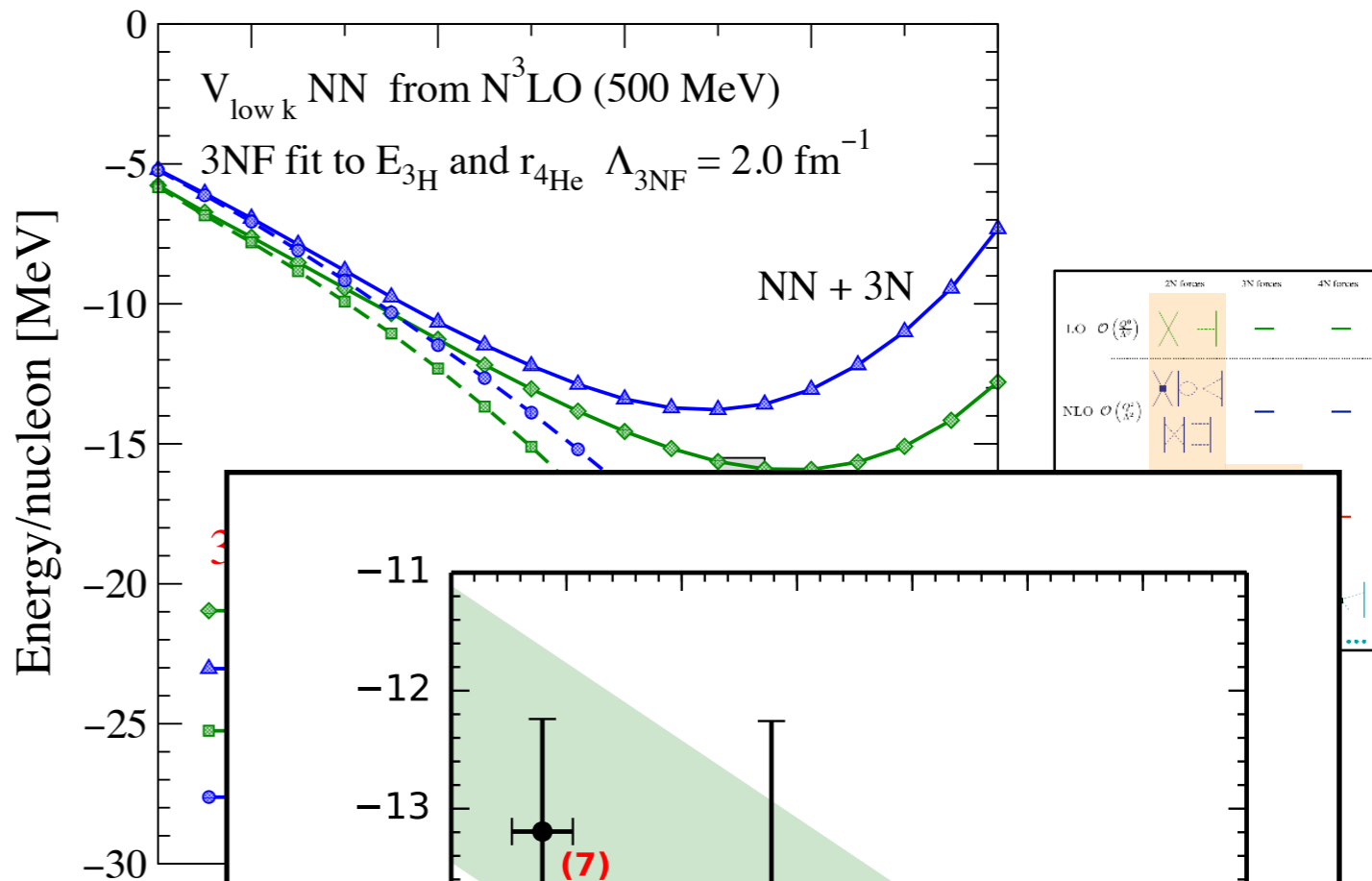
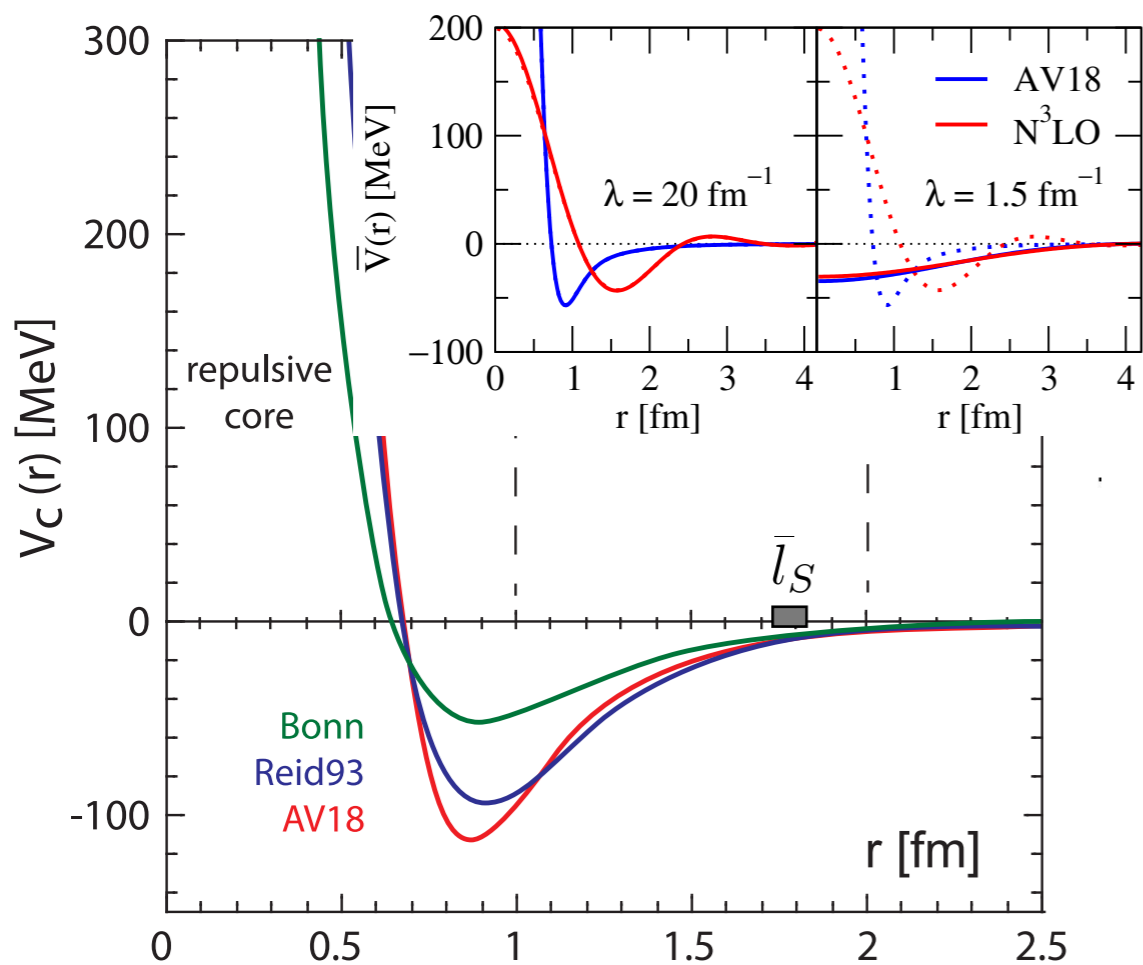


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Reproduction of saturation point
without readjusting parameters!

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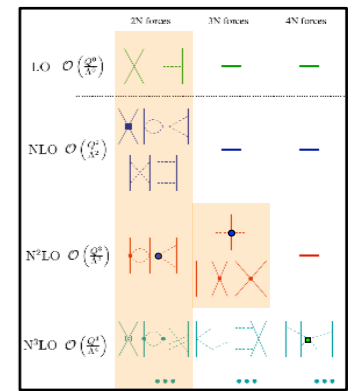


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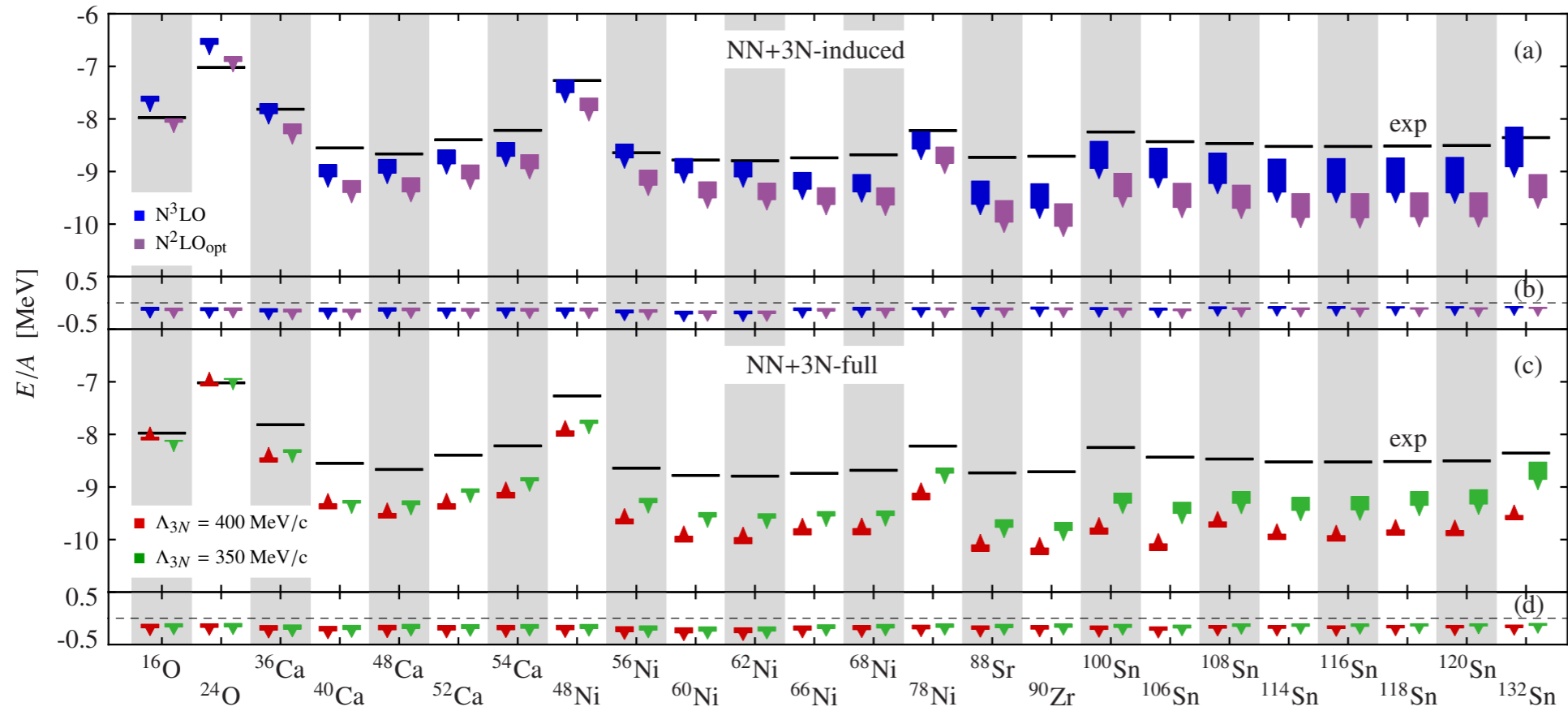
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Ab initio calculations of heavier nuclei

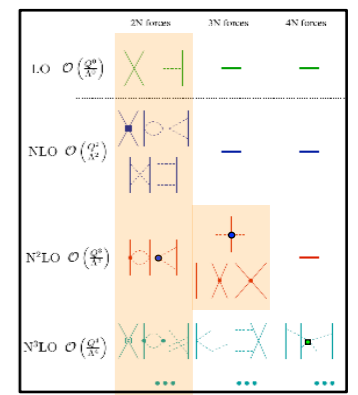


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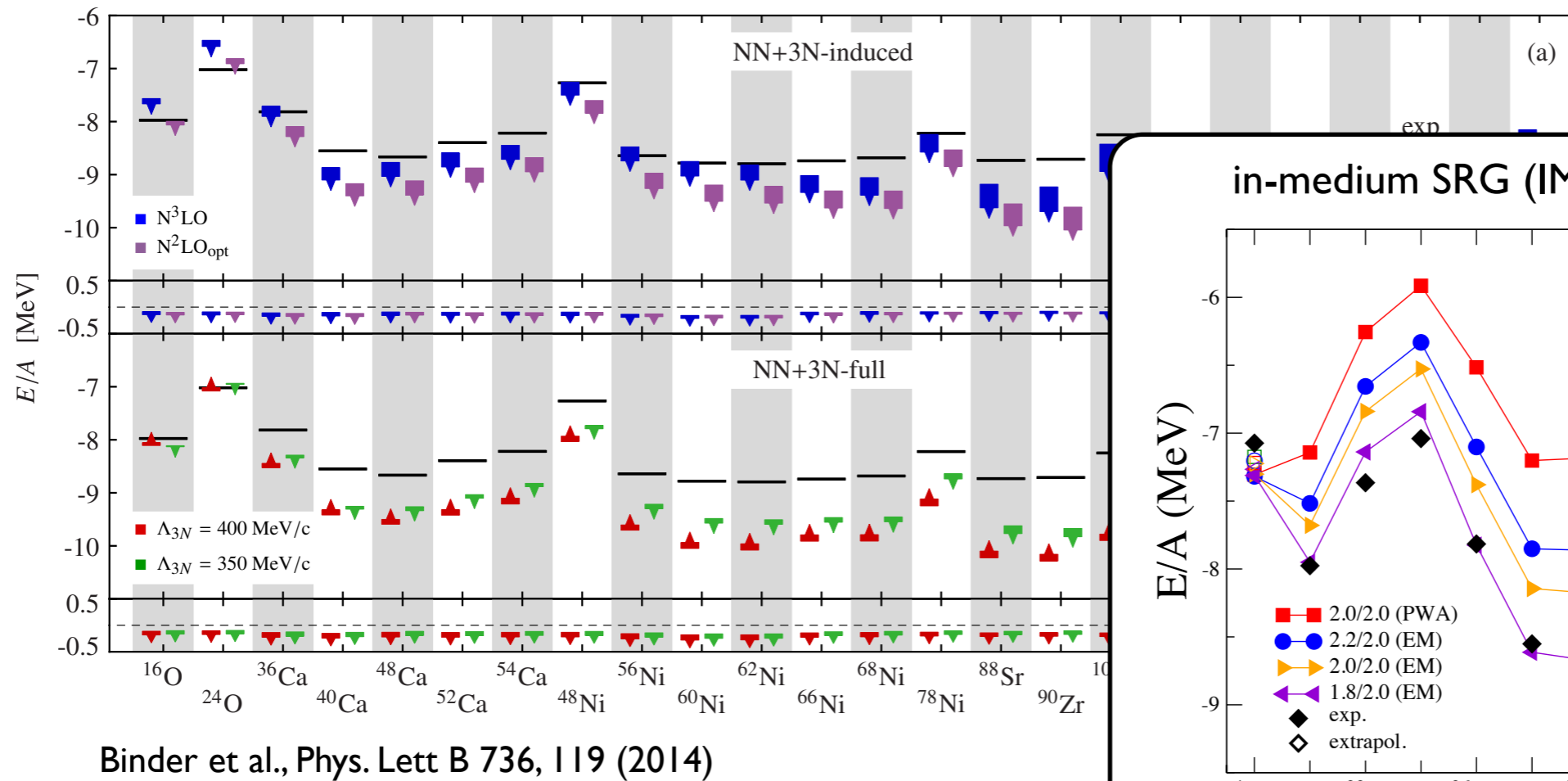


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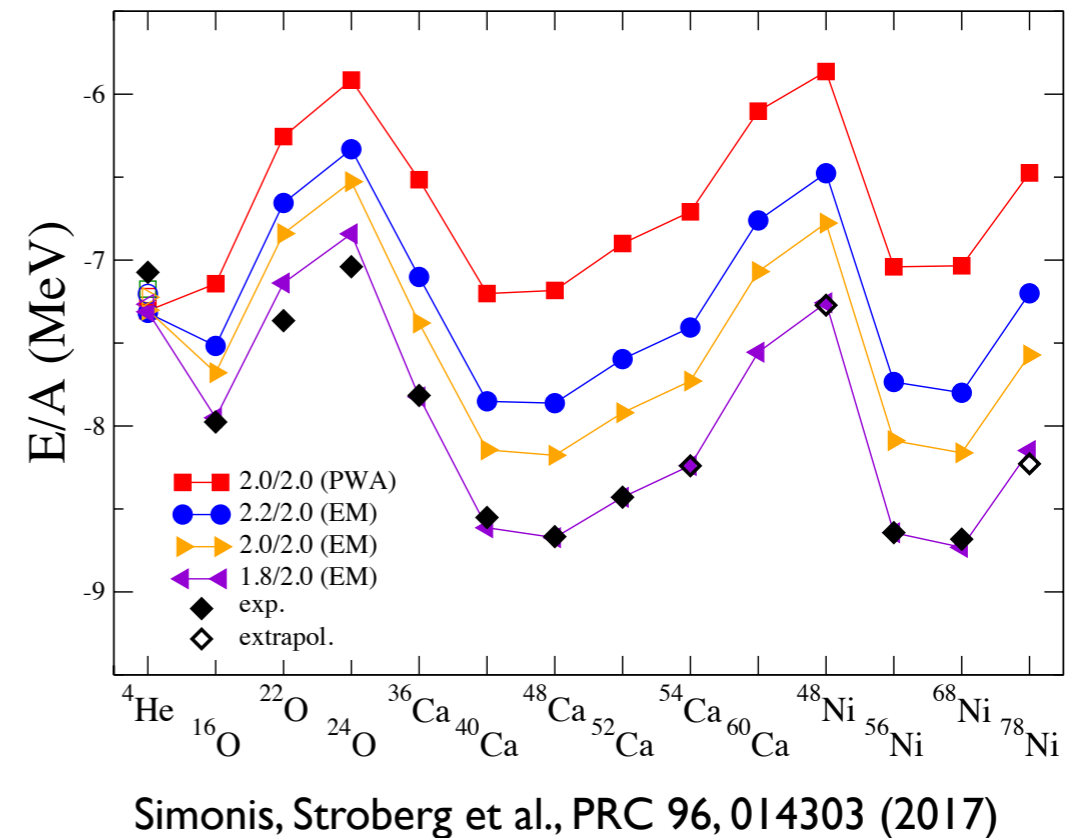
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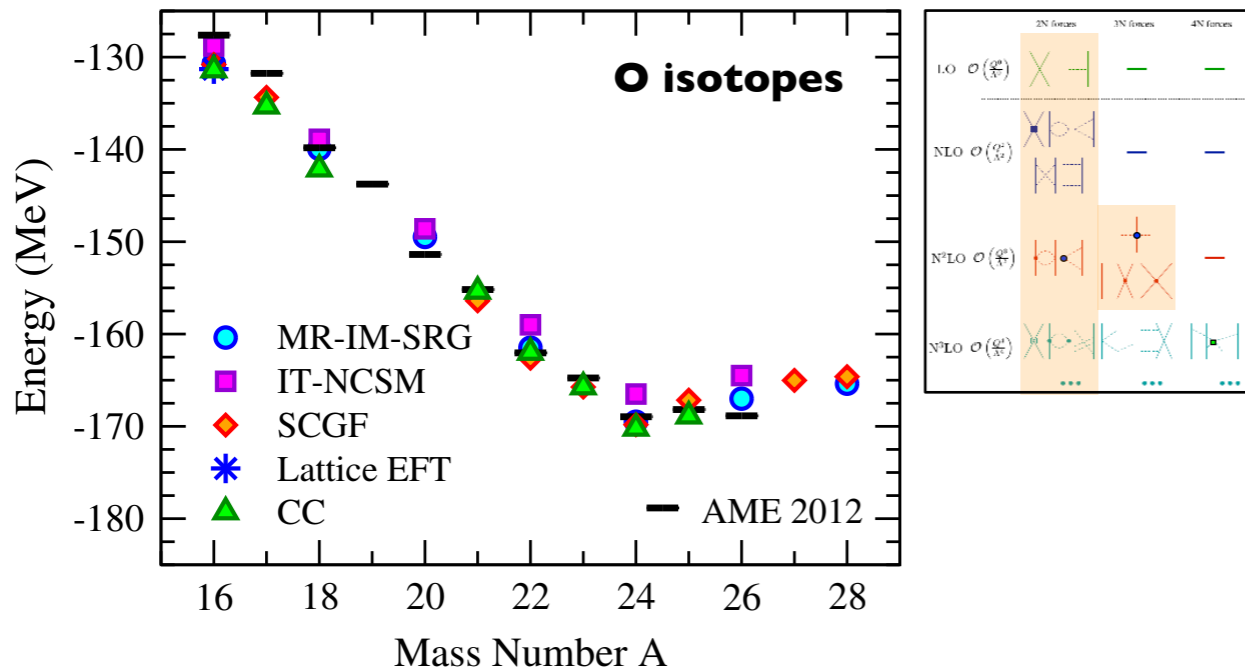
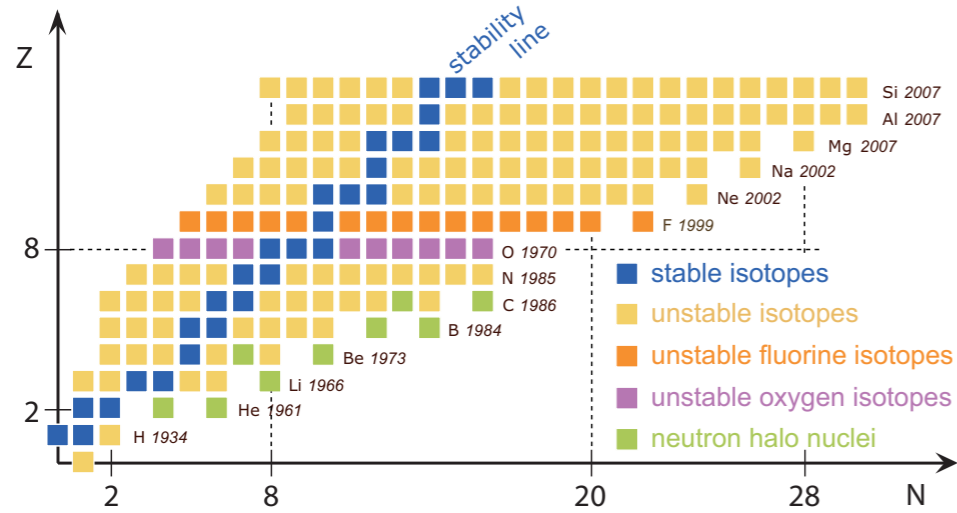


in-medium SRG (IMSRG) framework

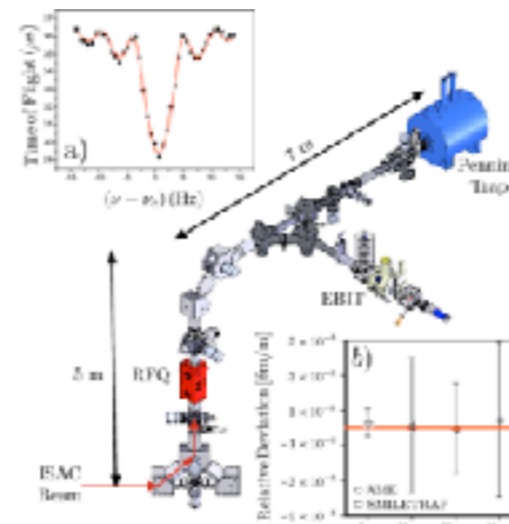


- **spectacular increase** in range of applicability of ab initio many body frameworks
- **significant discrepancies** to experimental data for heavy nuclei for (most of) presently used nuclear interactions
- need to **quantify theoretical uncertainties**

Studies of neutron-rich nuclei

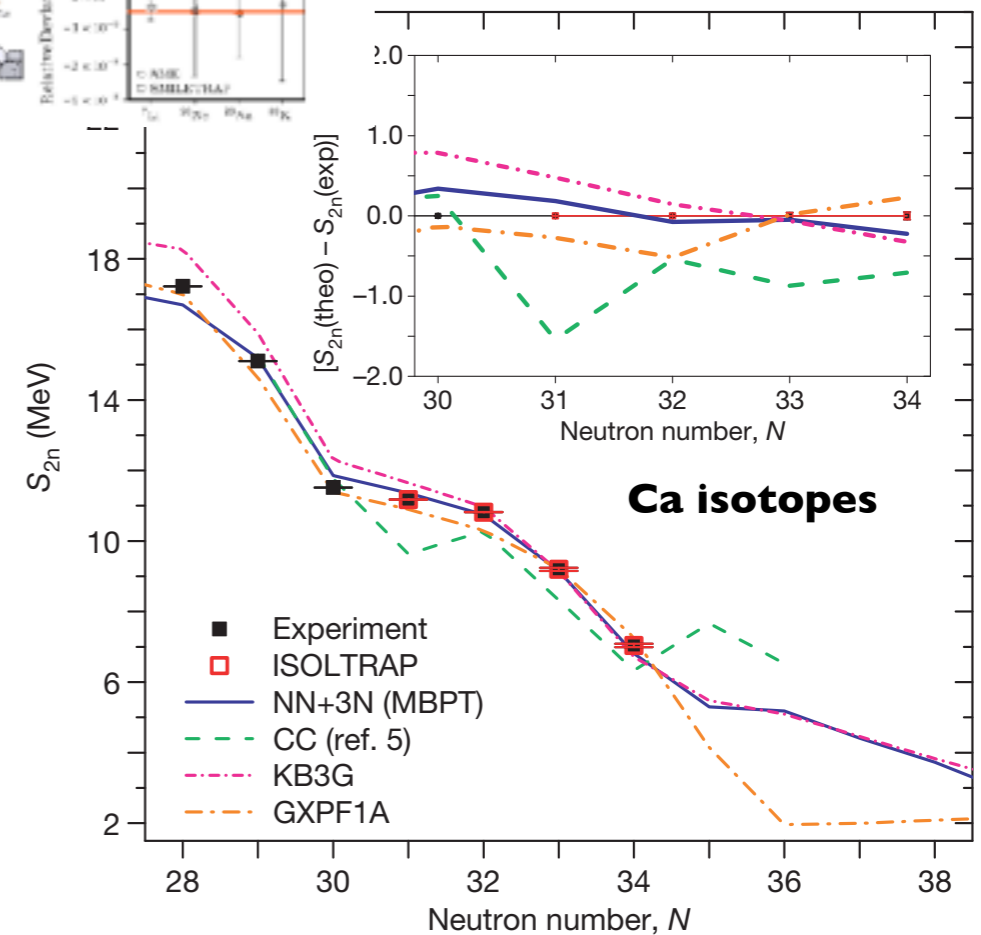


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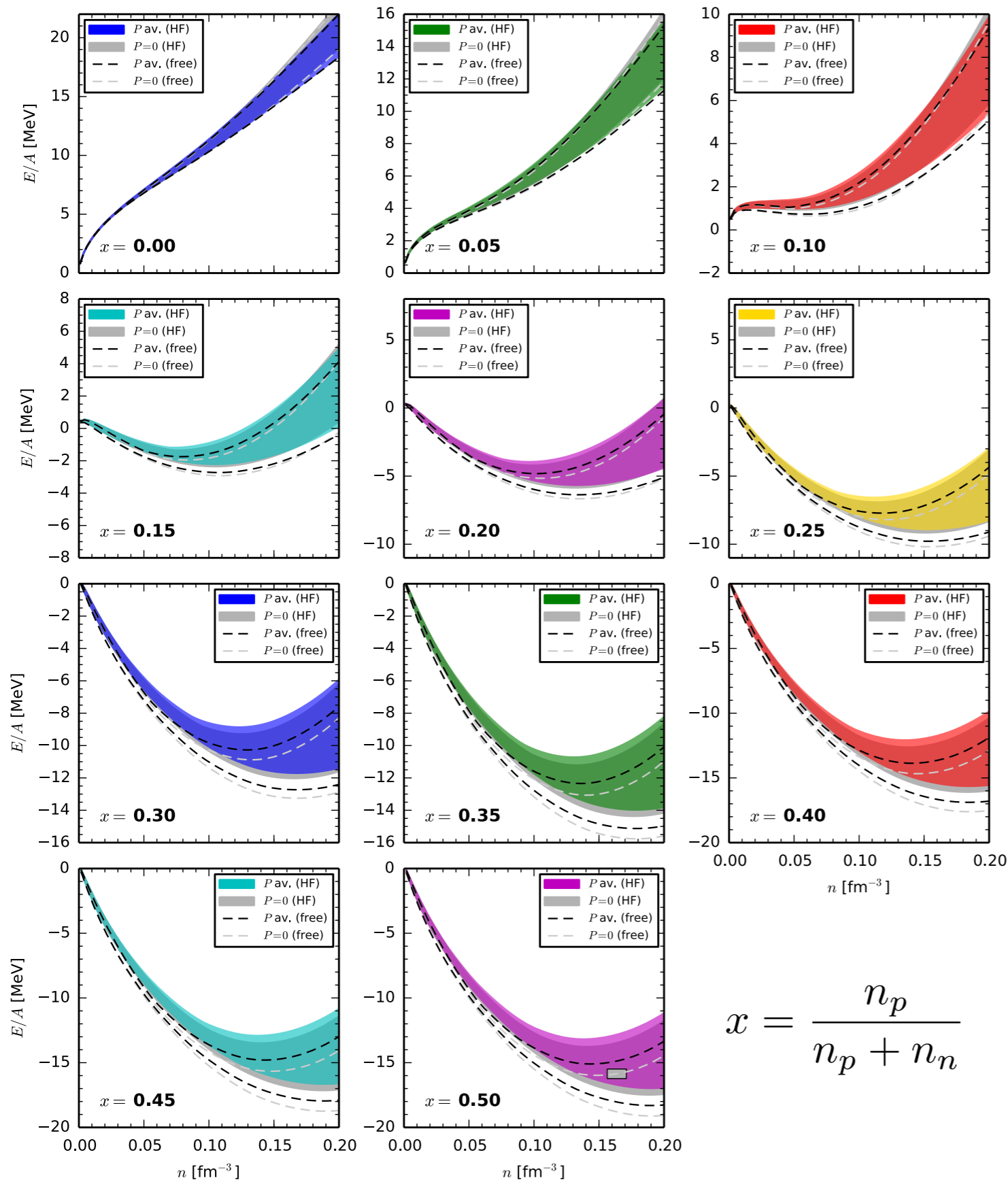
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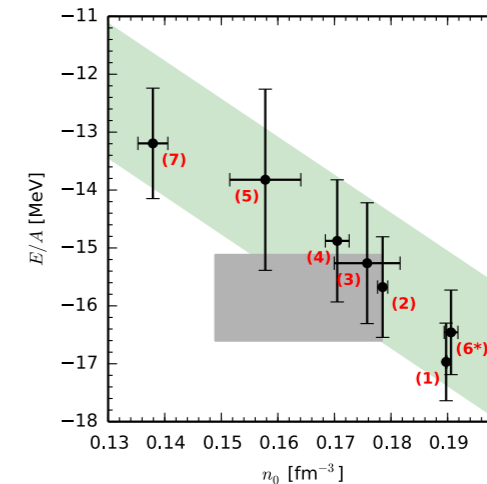
- remarkable agreement between different many-body frameworks
- excellent agreement between theory and experiment for masses of oxygen and calcium isotopes based on specific chiral interactions
- need to quantify **theoretical uncertainties**

Microscopic calculations of the equation of state



- microscopic framework to calculate equation of state for general proton fractions

- uncertainty bands determined by set of 7 Hamiltonians



- many-body framework allows treatment of general 3N interaction

$$x = \frac{n_p}{n_p + n_n}$$