

High-momentum tails, short-range correlations, and low-momentum effective theories

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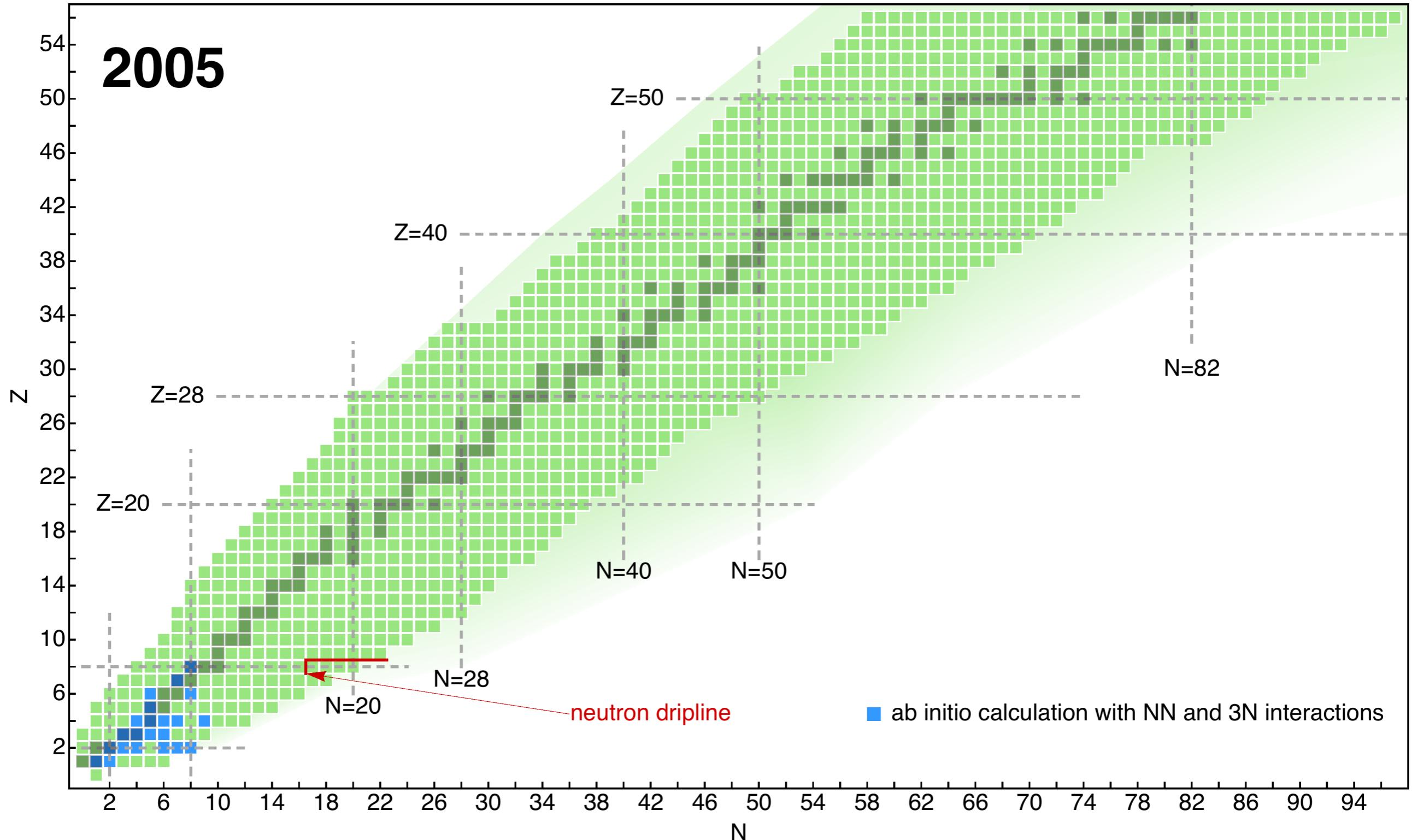


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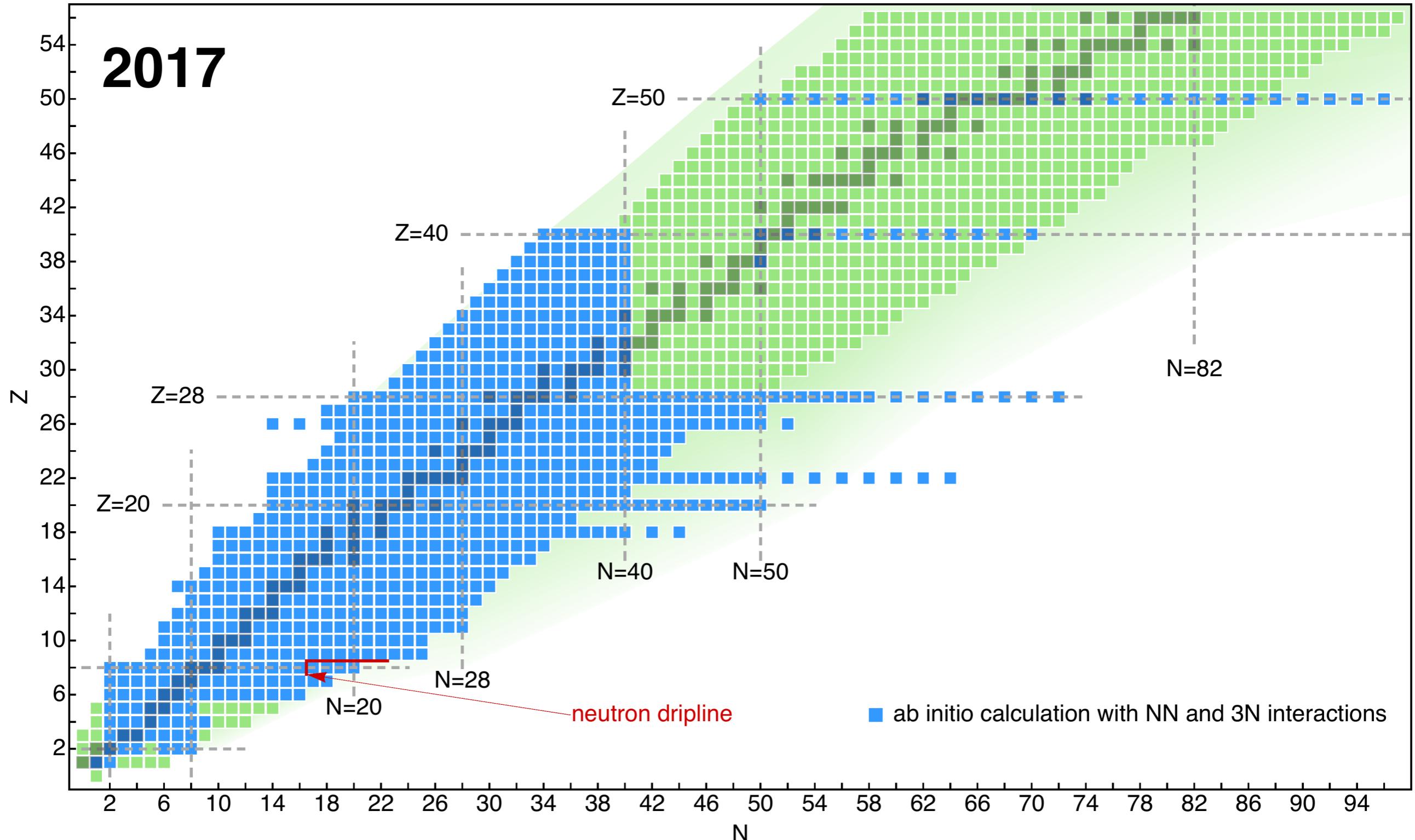
Outline

1. Effective operators and factorization
2. Scale dependence of Deuteron electrodisintegration
3. Scale dependence of short-range correlations in medium-mass nuclei

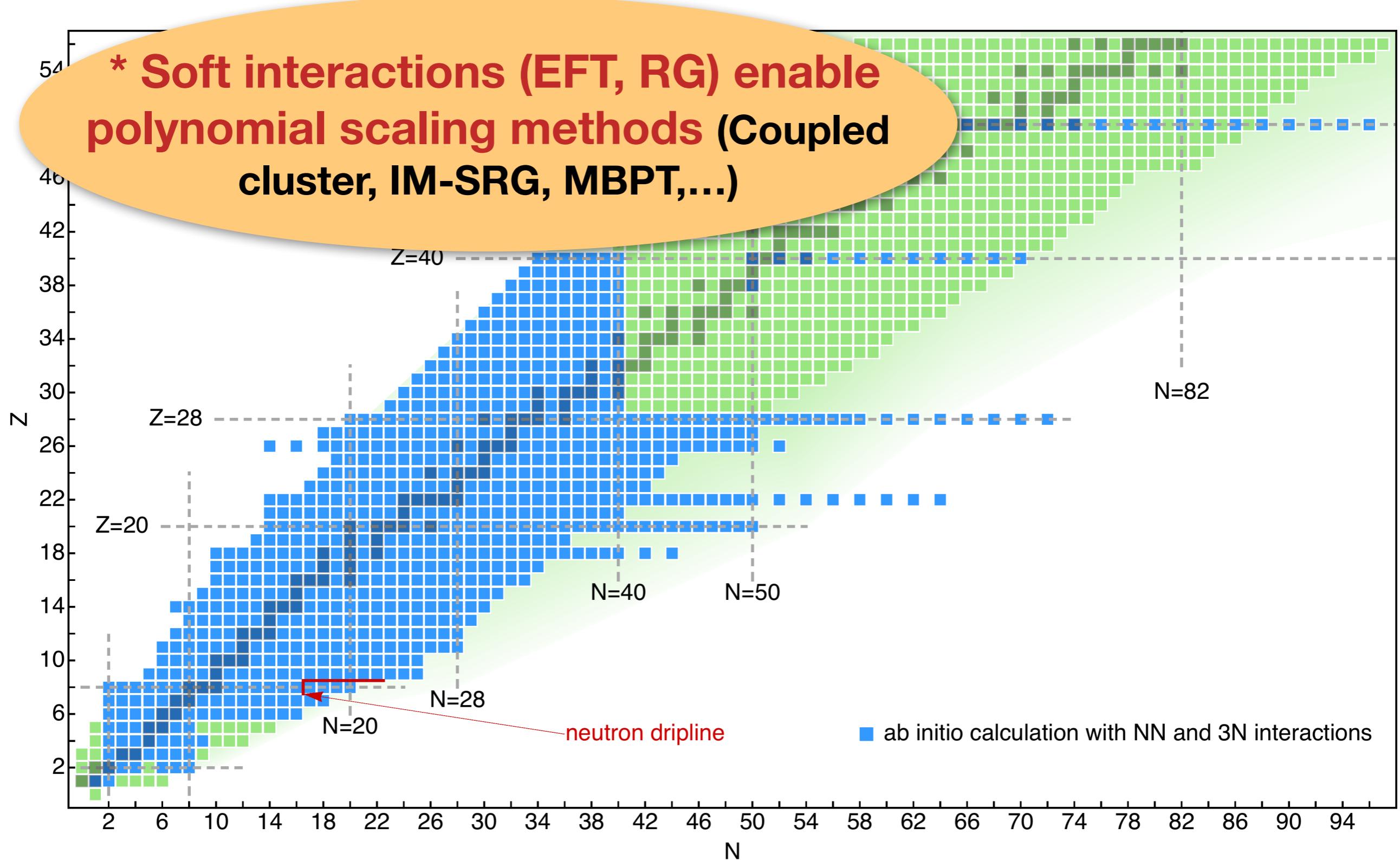
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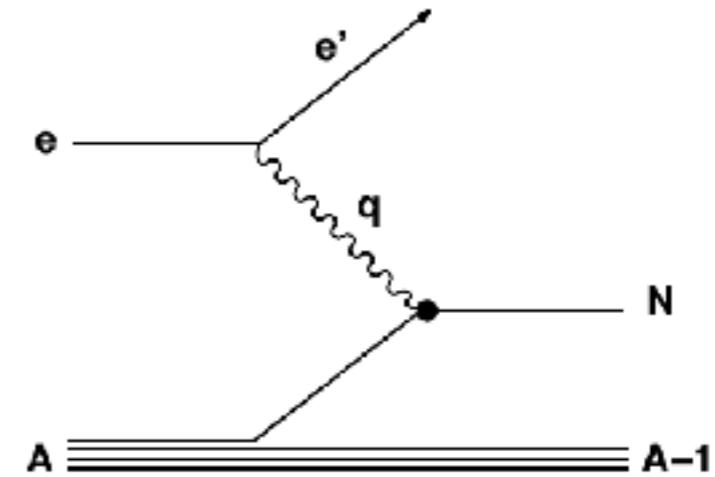


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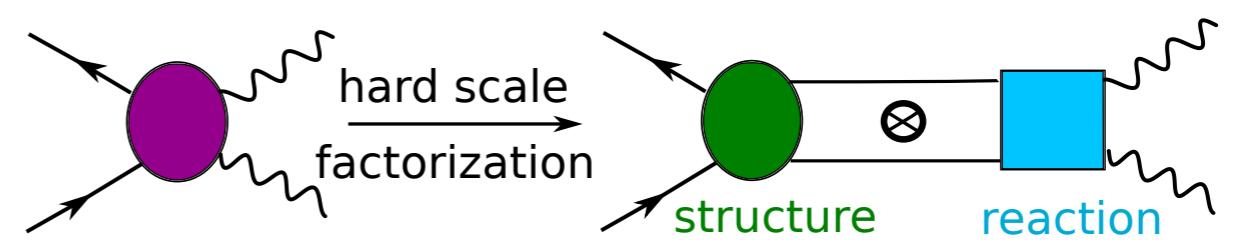
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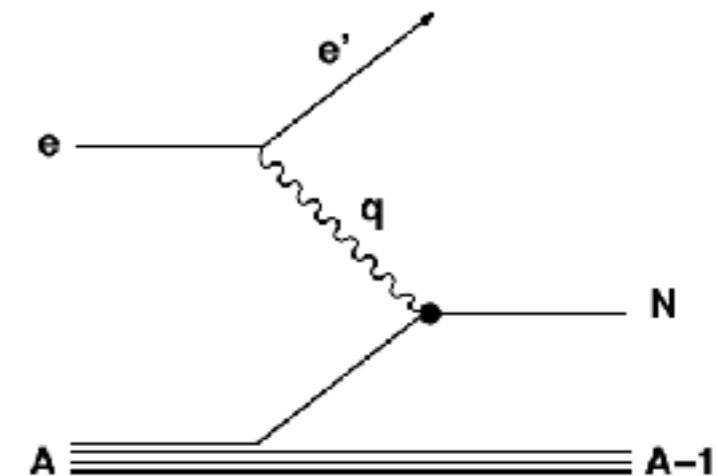


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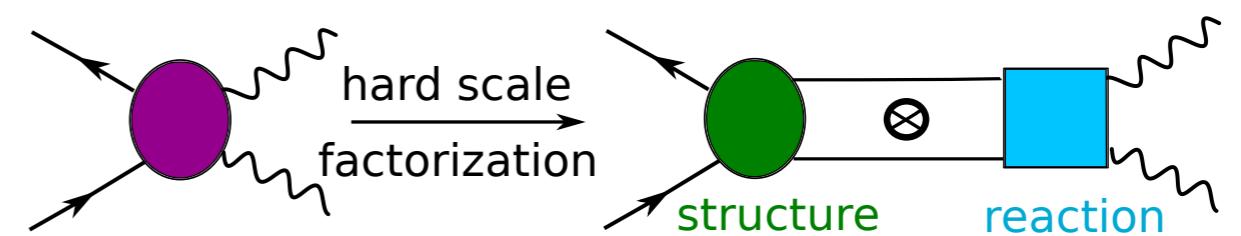
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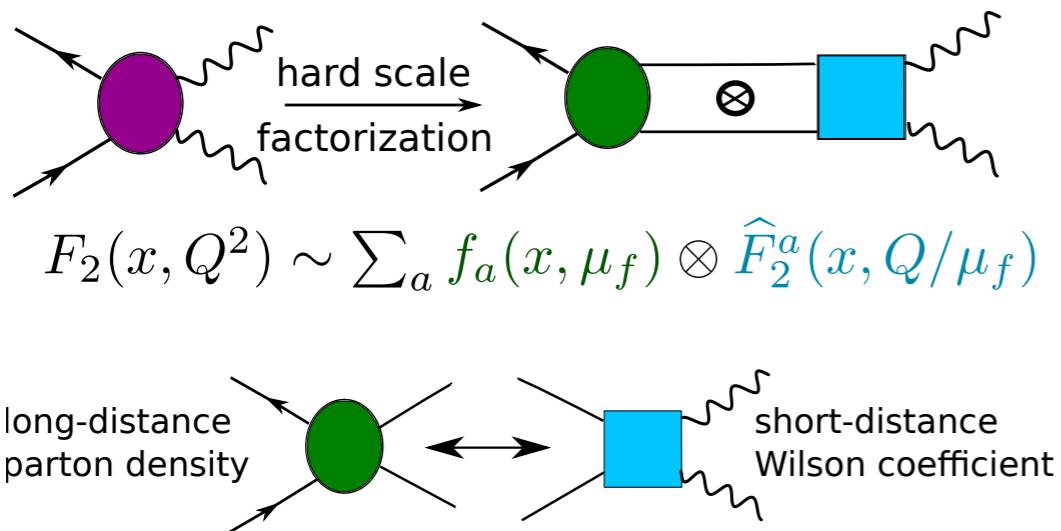


$$\underbrace{\langle \psi_f |}_{\text{structure}} \underbrace{\hat{O}(q)}_{\text{reaction}} \underbrace{|\psi_i \rangle}_{\text{structure}} = \langle \psi_f | U_\lambda U_\lambda^\dagger \underbrace{\hat{O}(q)}_{\text{reaction}} U_\lambda U_\lambda^\dagger |\psi_i \rangle = \underbrace{\langle \psi_f^\lambda |}_{\text{structure}(\lambda)} \underbrace{\hat{O}^\lambda(q)}_{\text{reaction}(\lambda)} \underbrace{|\psi_i^\lambda \rangle}_{\text{structure}(\lambda)}$$

Factorization is scale-dependent (not unique)!!

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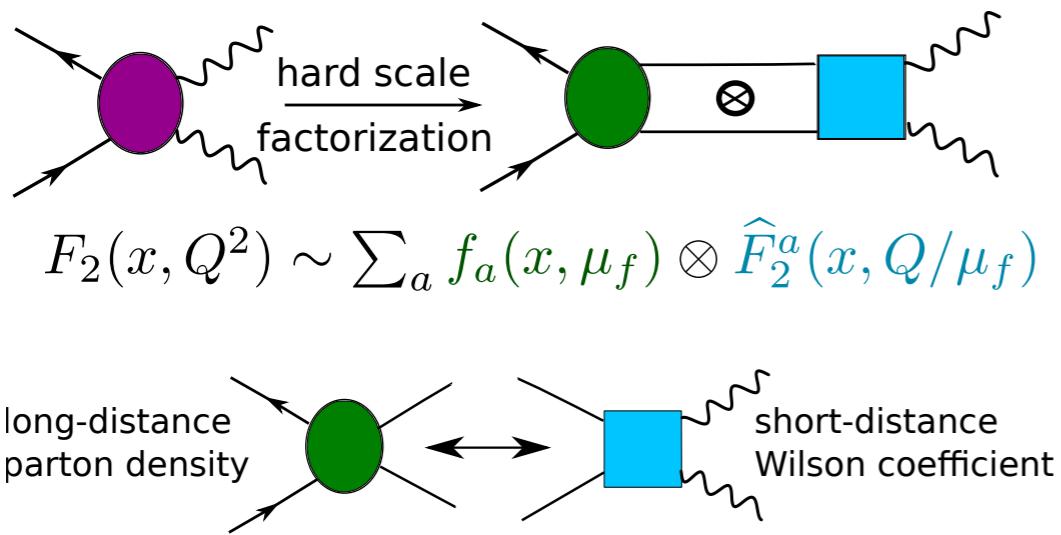
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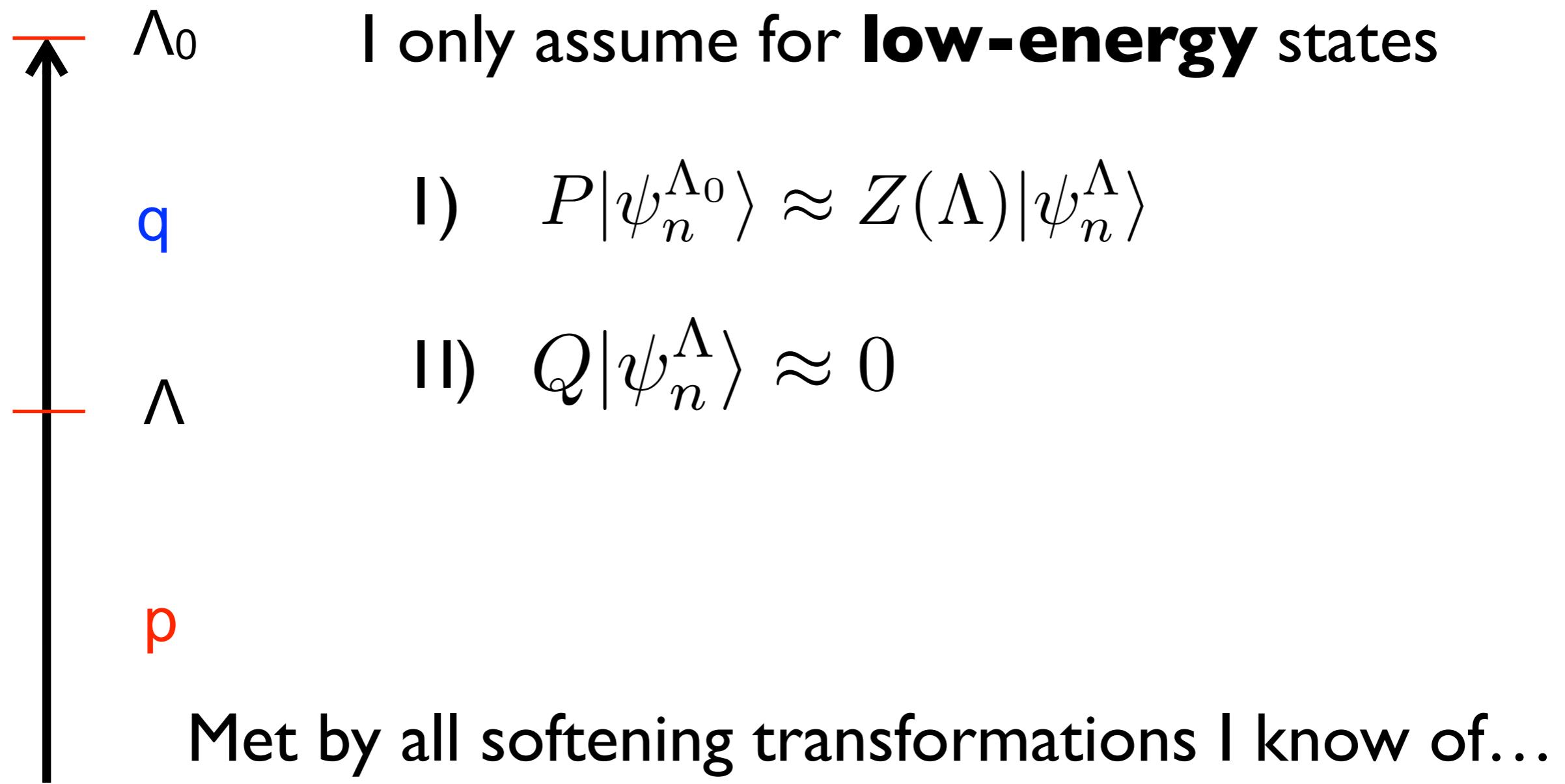
Open Questions

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- When does factorization hold?
- What is the scale/scheme dependence of extracted props?
- Extract at one scale (**e.g., to minimize FSI**) and evolve to another?
- Scale/scheme dependence of interpretations? Are some better?
- Structure of evolved operators?

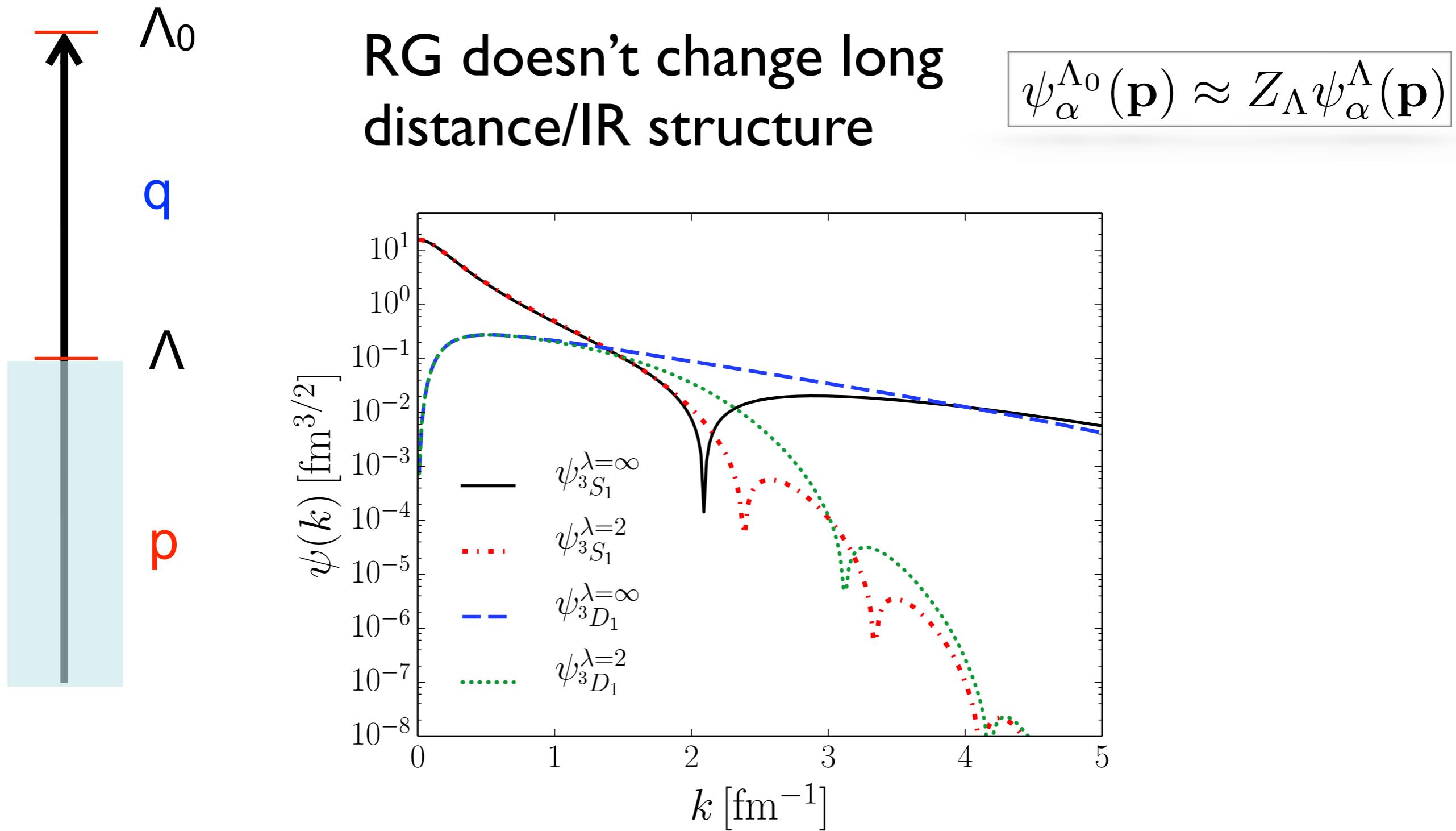
General form of RG-evolved operators

- Want to understand form of effective operators without getting bogged down in a particular scheme (Lee-Suzuki, SRG, etc.)



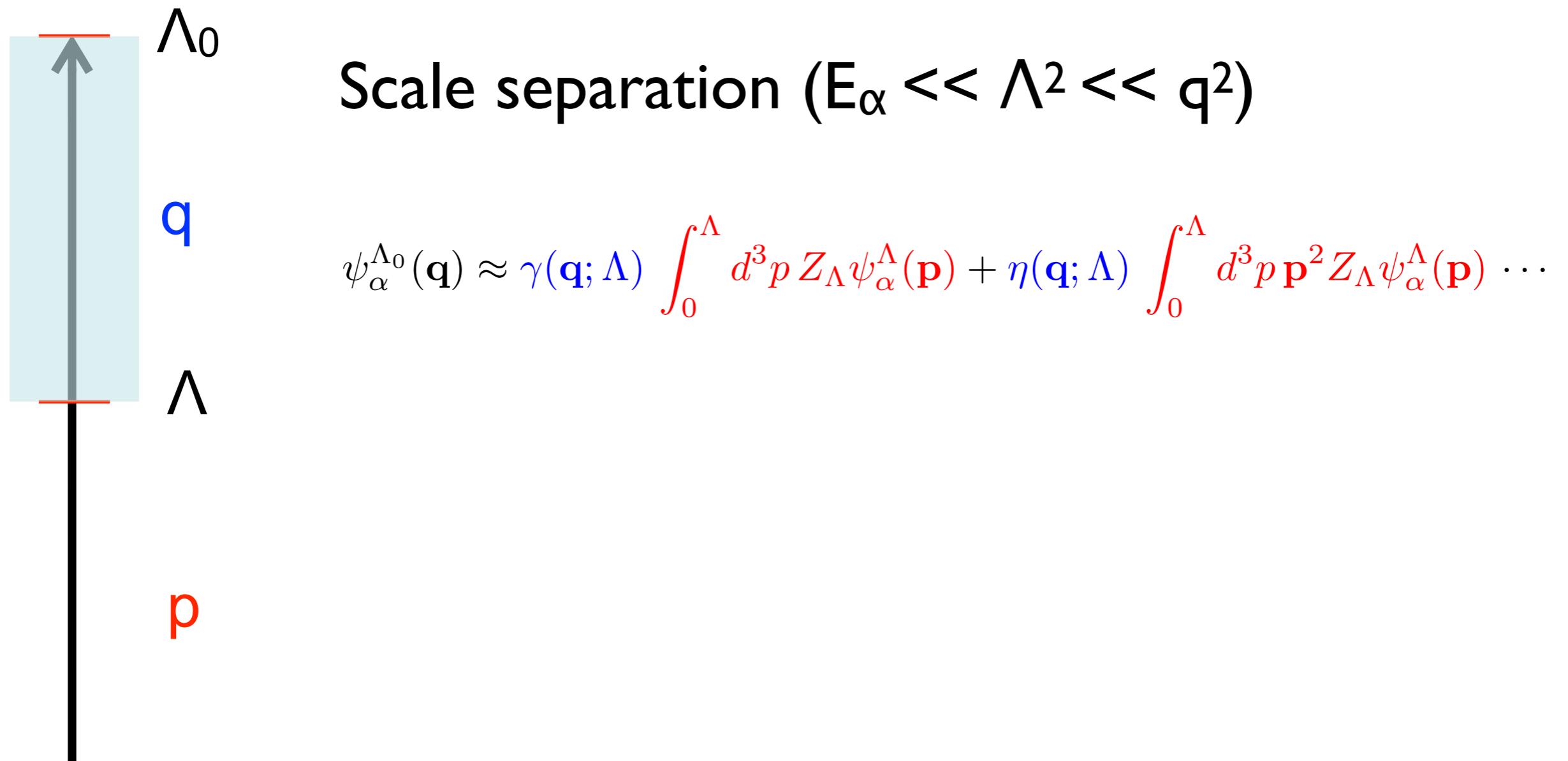
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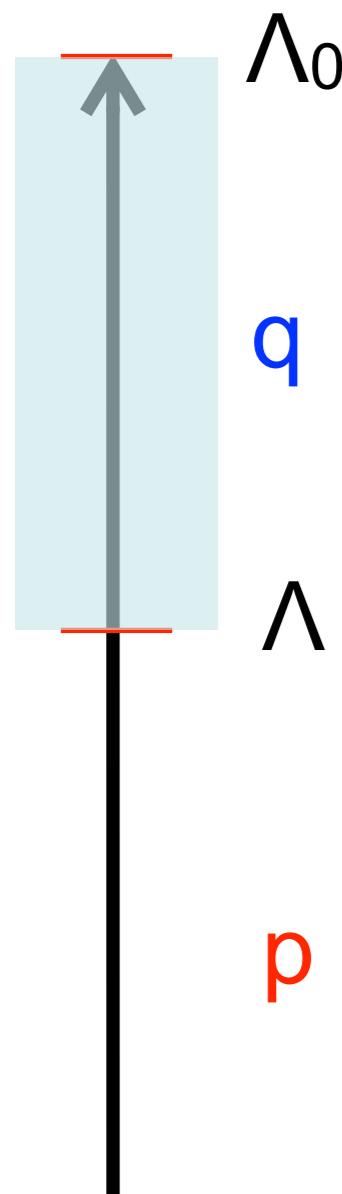
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Operator **P**roduct **E**xpansion
of wave function a-la Lepage

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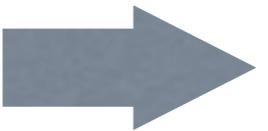
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State-independent
Wilson Coefficients

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for well-separated scales

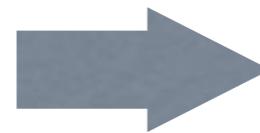
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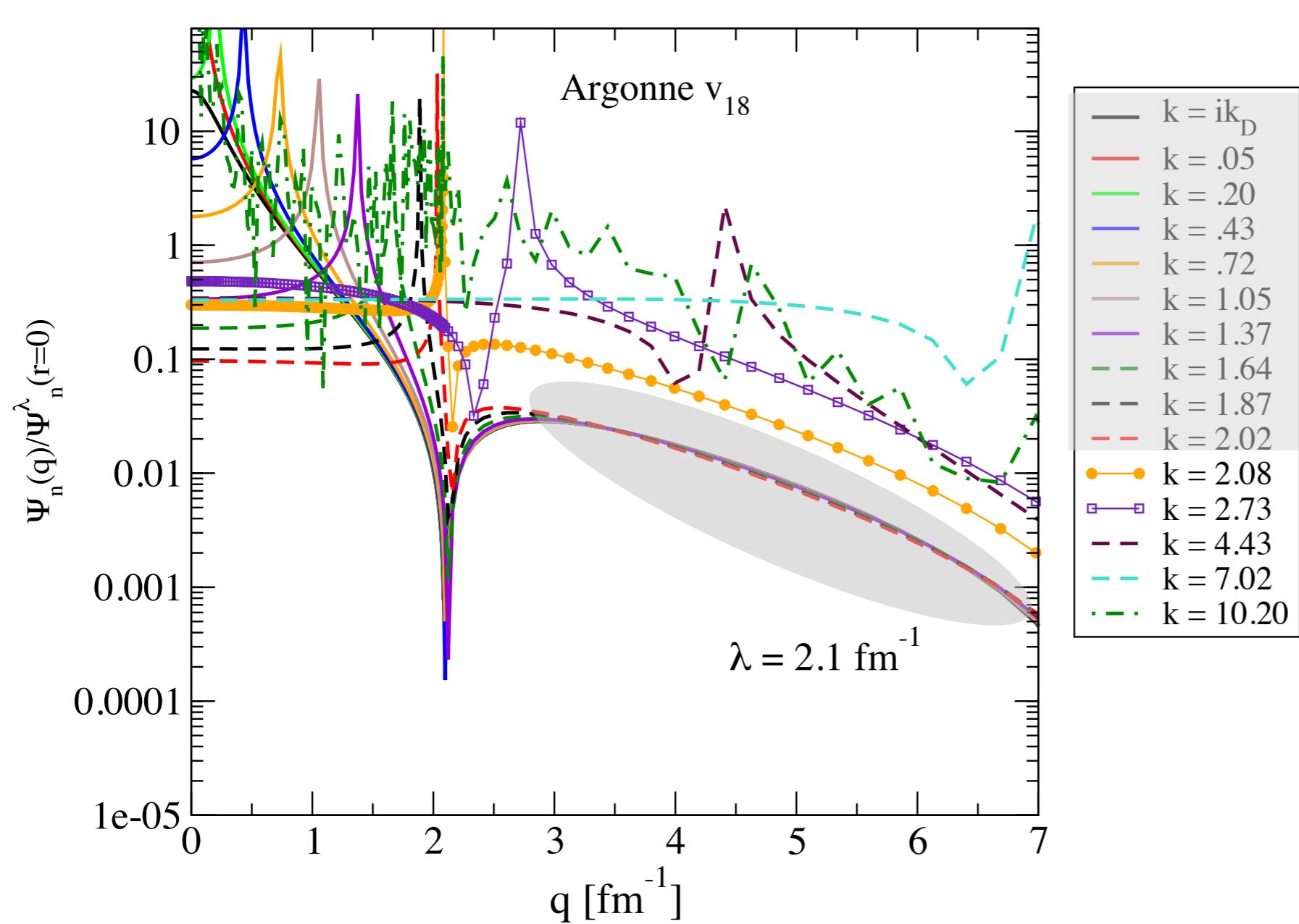
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Now use:

$$\psi_\alpha^{\Lambda_0}(\mathbf{q}) \approx \gamma(\mathbf{q}; \Lambda) \int_0^\Lambda d^3p Z_\Lambda \psi_\alpha^\Lambda(\mathbf{p}) + \dots \quad \text{OPE for w.f.'s}$$

$$\psi_\alpha^{\Lambda_0}(\mathbf{p}) \approx Z_\Lambda \psi_\alpha^\Lambda(\mathbf{p}) \quad \text{IR structure unaltered}$$

$$O(q, p) \approx O(q, 0) + \dots \quad \text{Scale separation}$$

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E.g.,

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 \end{aligned}$$

Generically:

$$\hat{O}_\Lambda = Z_\Lambda^2 \hat{O}_{\Lambda_0} + g^{(0)}(\Lambda) \delta(\mathbf{r}) + g^{(2)}(\Lambda) \nabla^2 \delta(\mathbf{r}) + \dots$$

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E.g., momentum distribution for $\mathbf{q} \gg \Lambda$

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low-E states have the same large-q tails

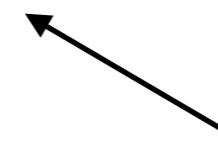
Generalize to arbitrary **A-body** states?

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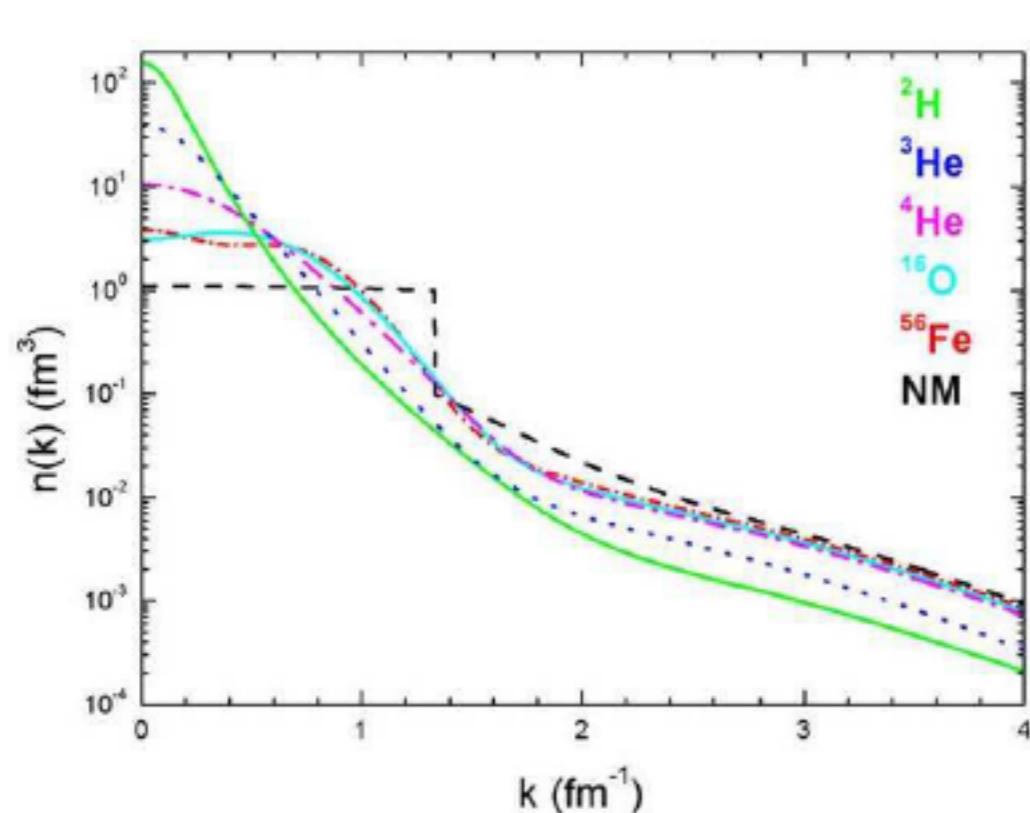
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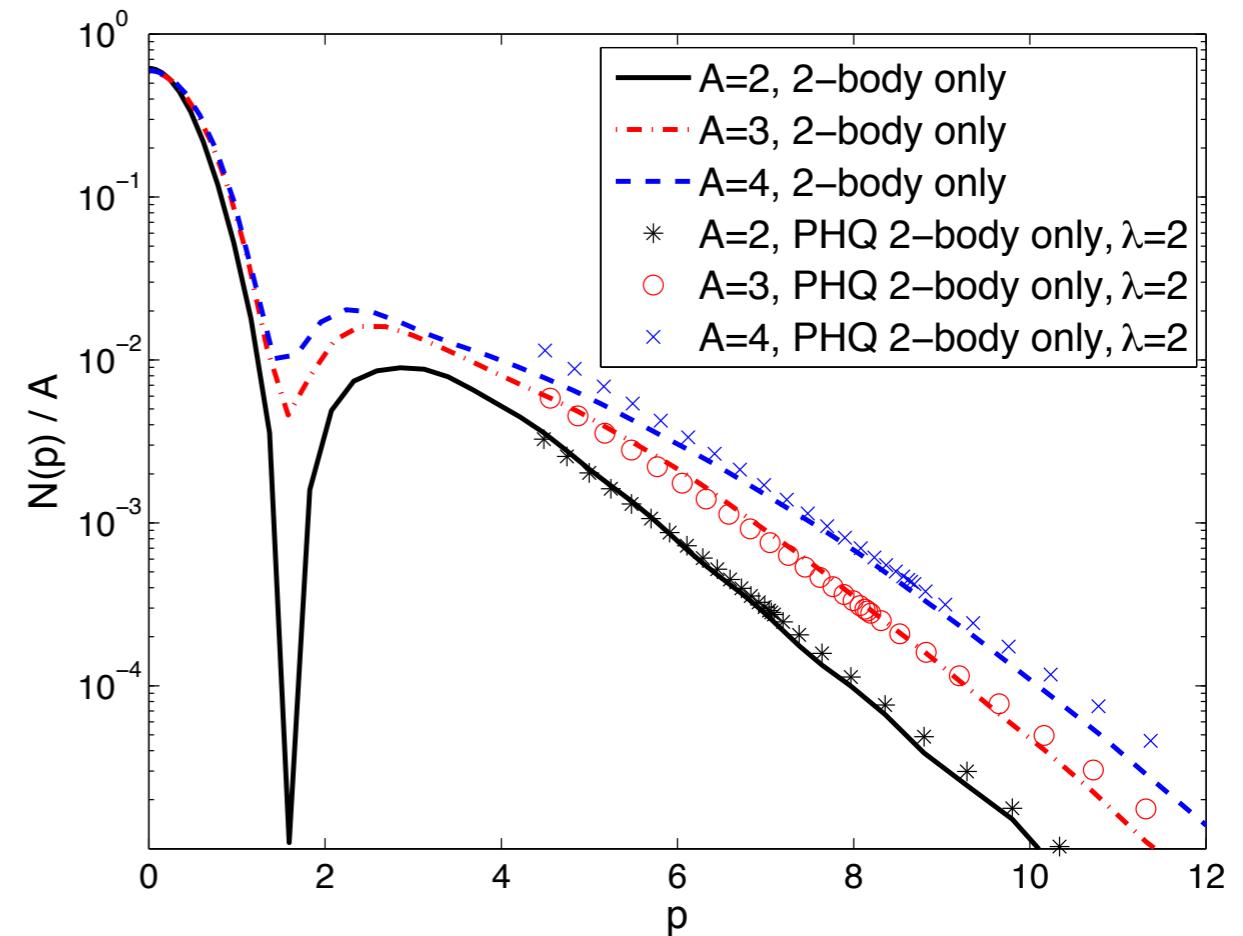


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- same for all high- q probes
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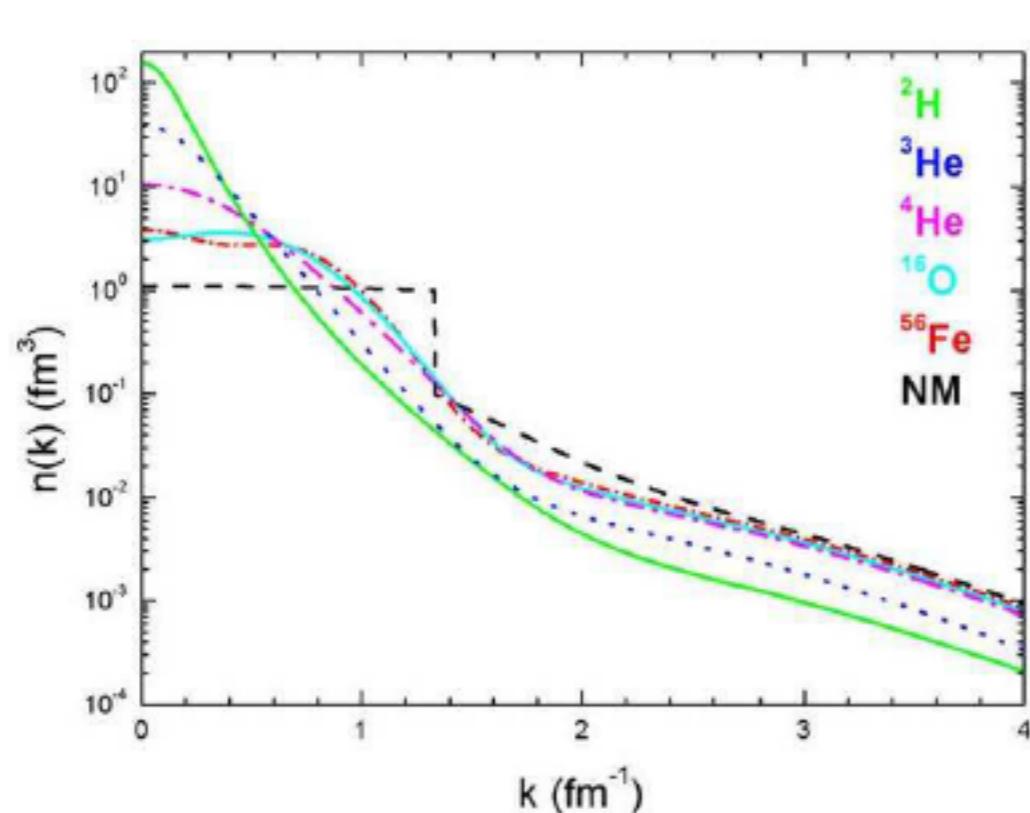
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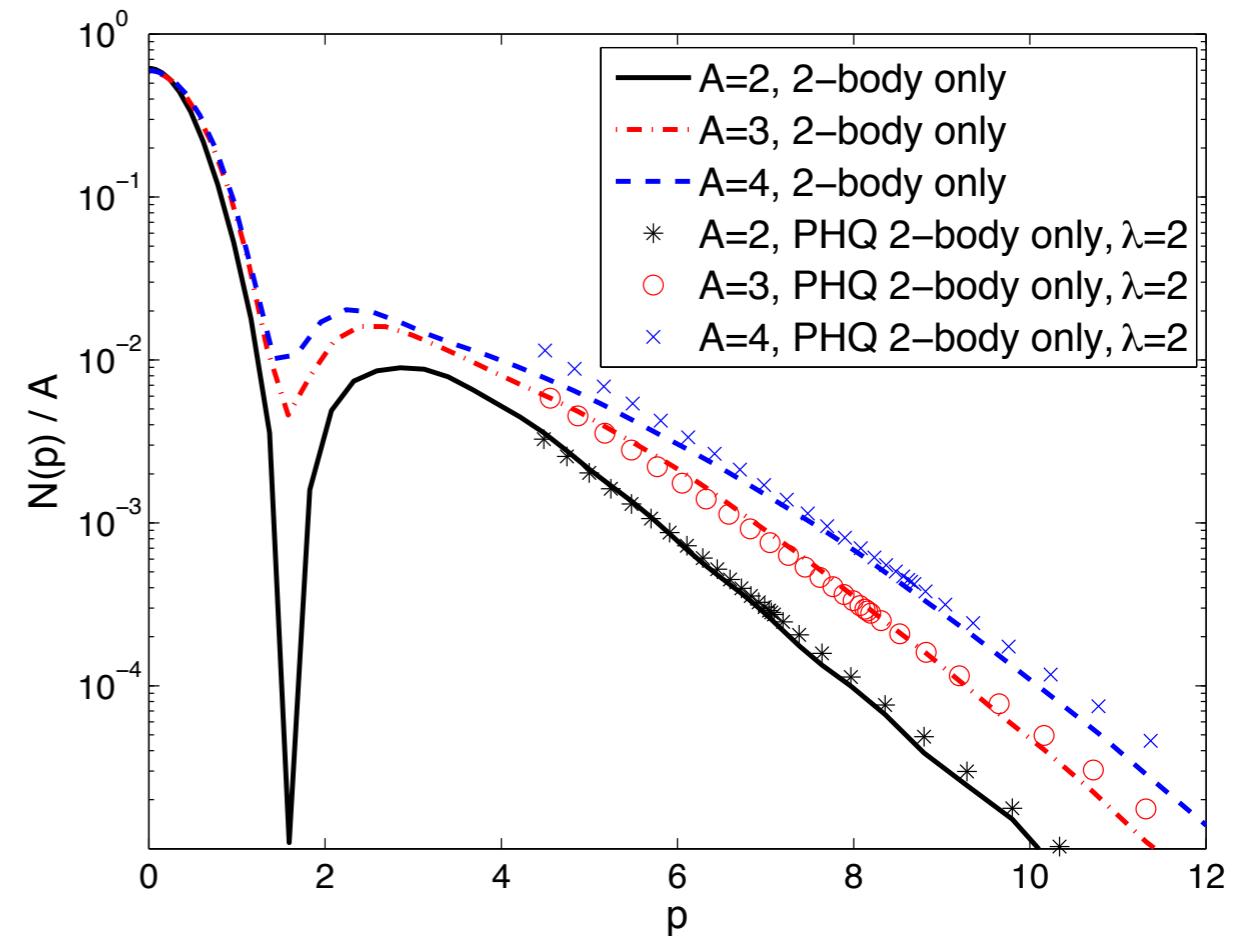
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cf. "contact formalism"
of Barnea et al (see Or
Hen's talk)

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E.g., static structure functions

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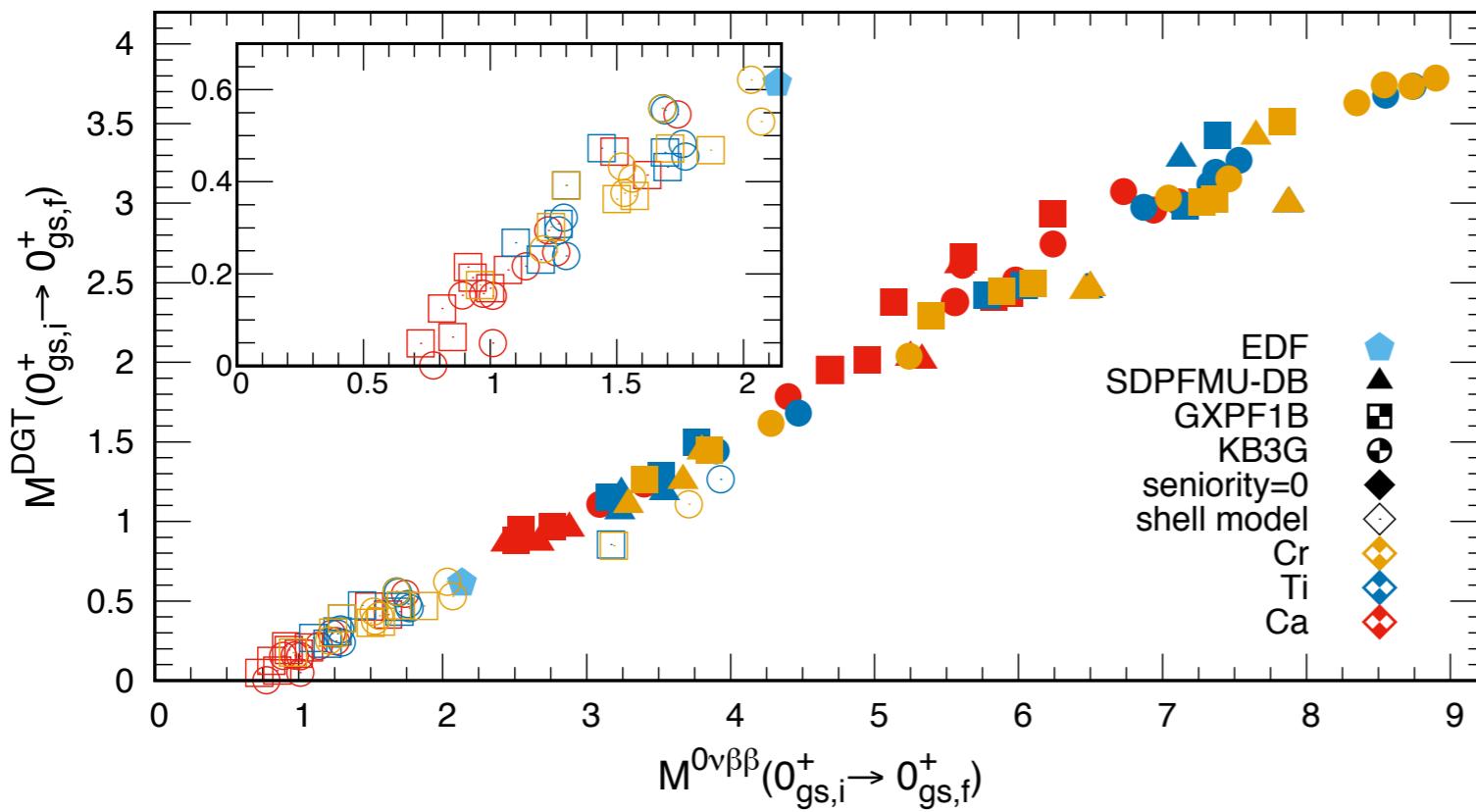
Universal (state-indep) q-dependence => connects few-body and A-body

State dependence encoded in low-k m.e. =>

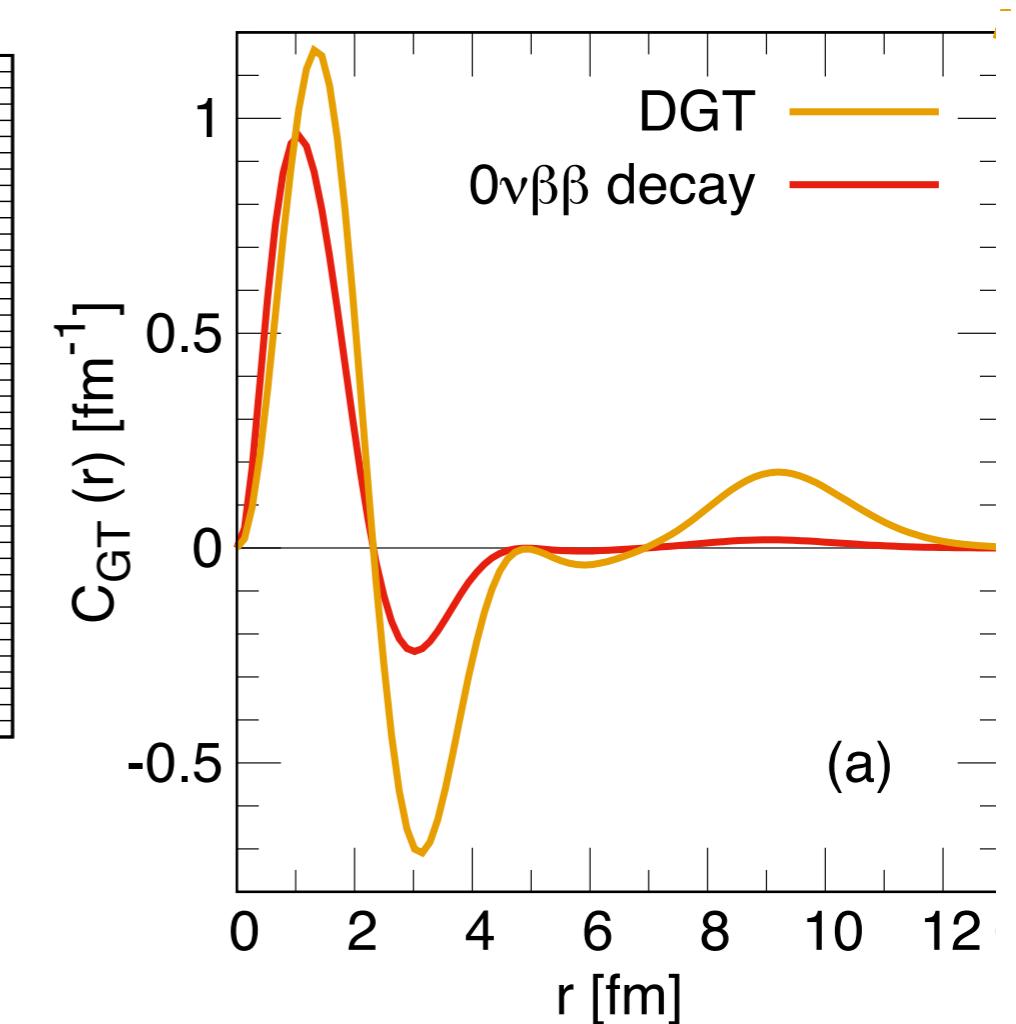
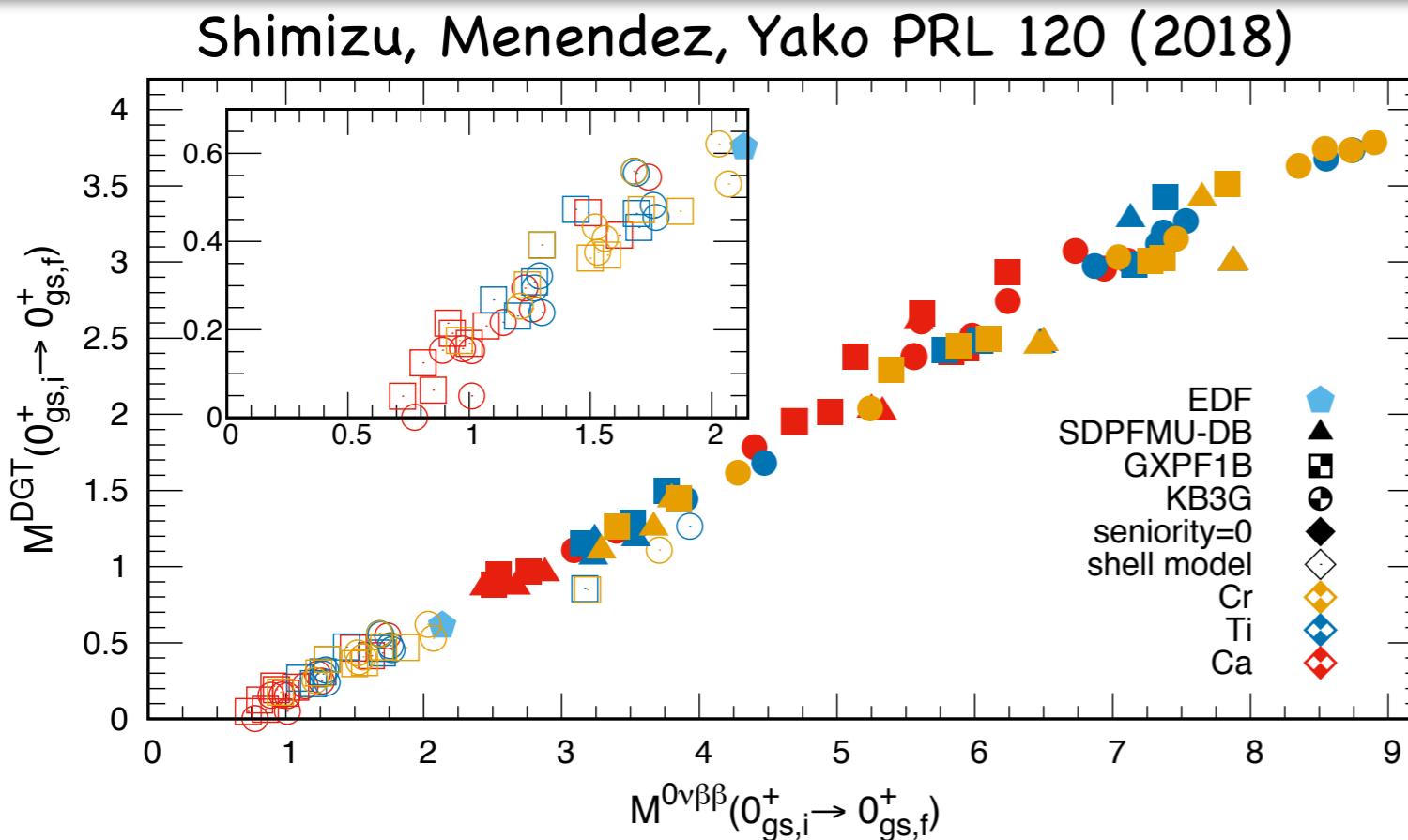
linear correlations between observables with same leading OPE

Ex: $0\nu\beta\beta$ and Double GT correlation

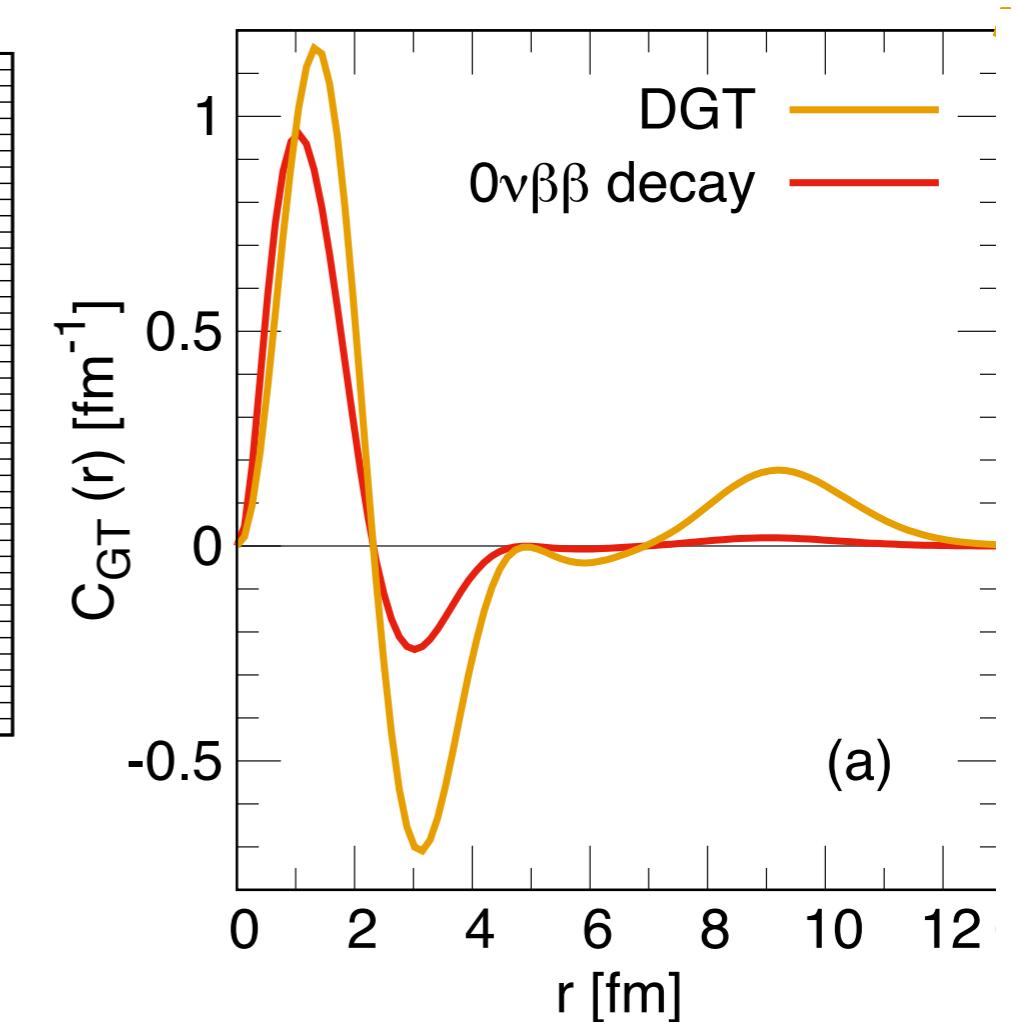
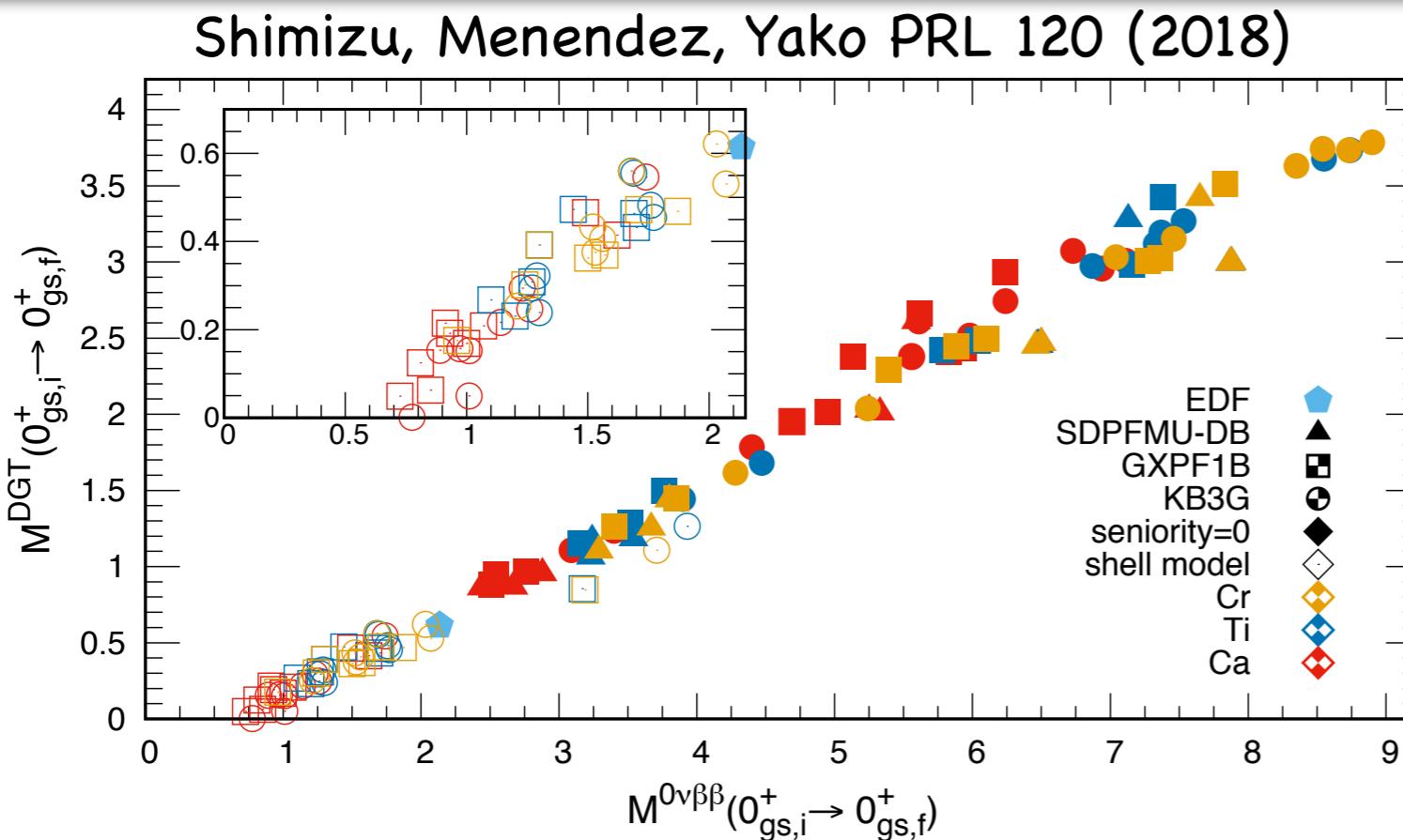
Shimizu, Menendez, Yako PRL 120 (2018)



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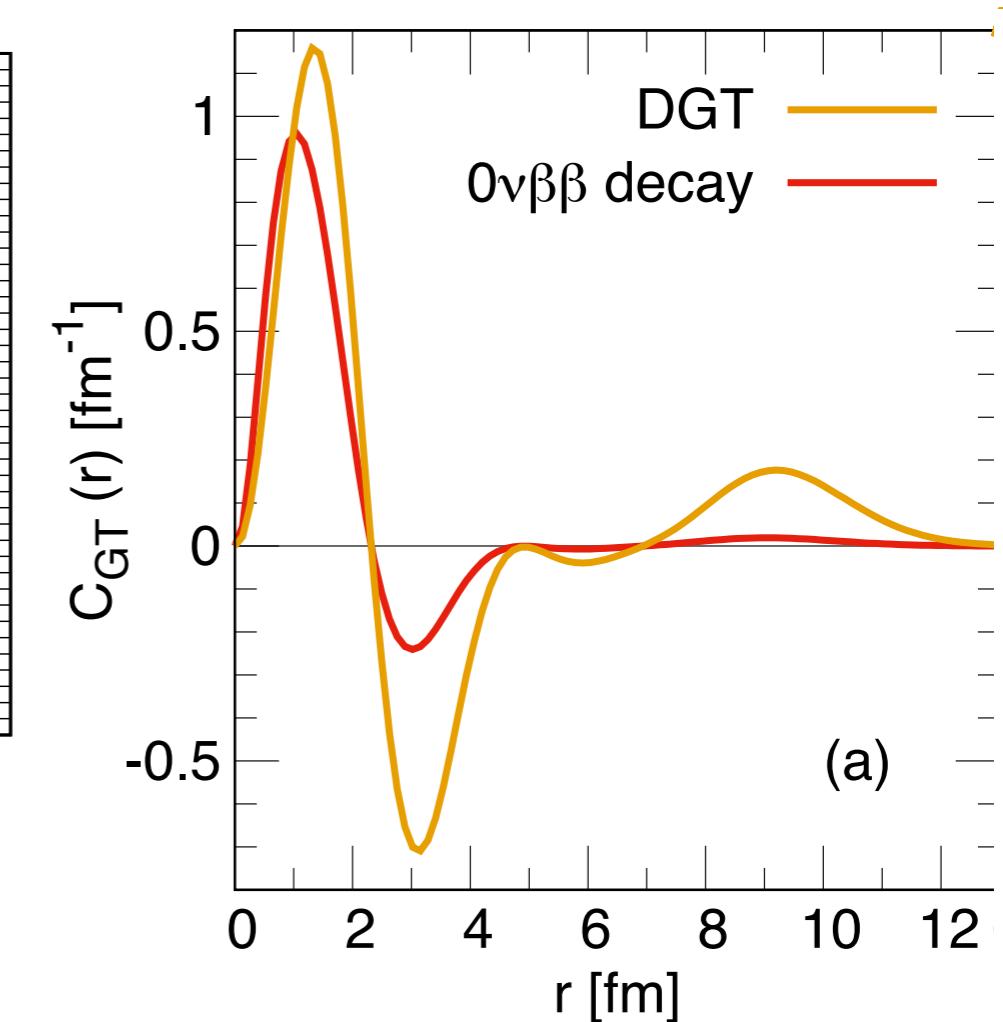
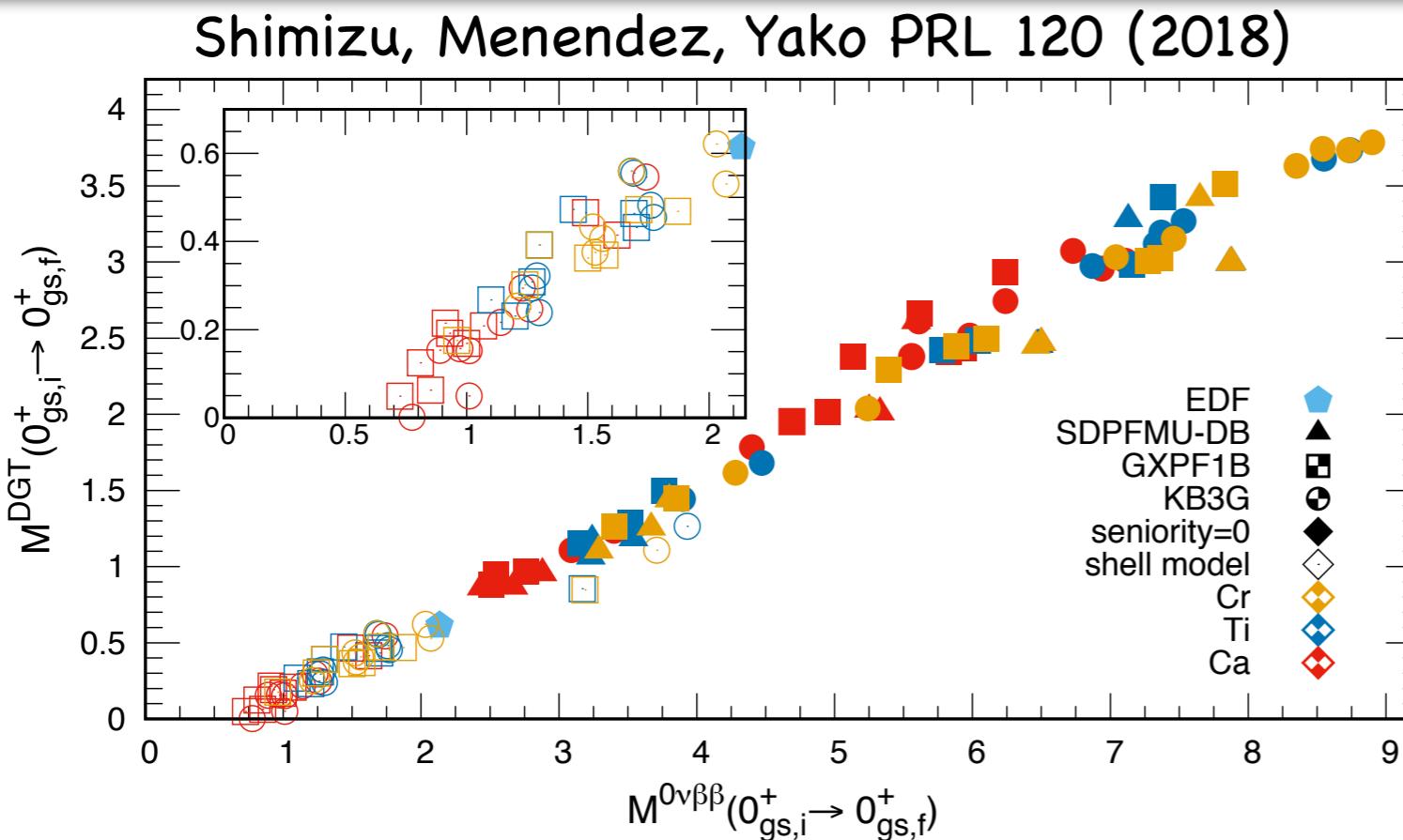
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Wilson Coeff's from A=2

slope at ~10-15% level

Running summary part 1

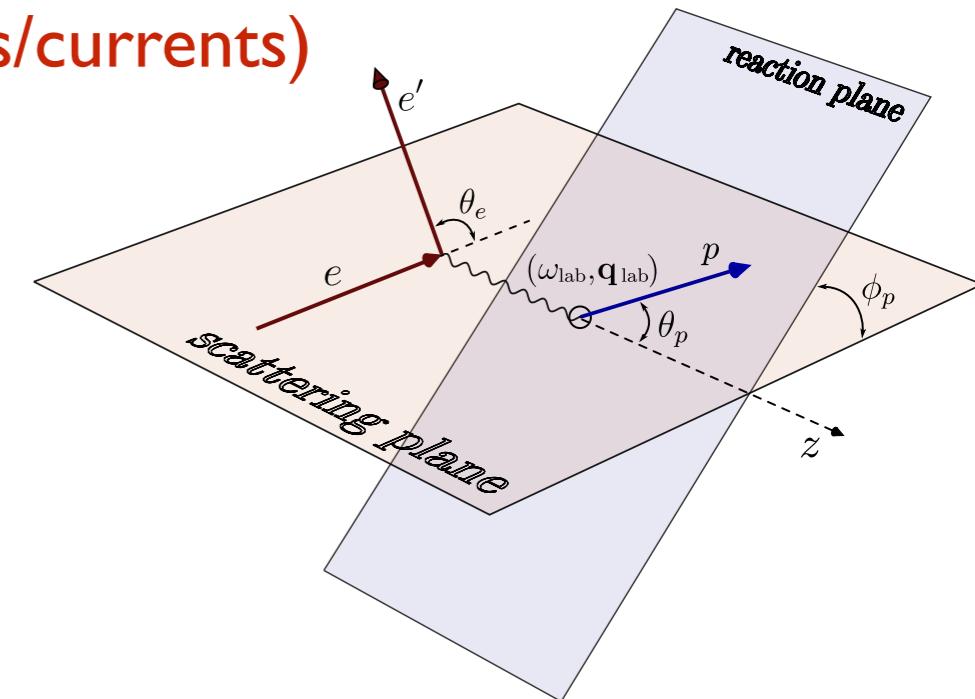
- Simple decoupling + scale separation arguments generically give the form of effective operators softened by OLS, SRG, ...
- Can we use scaling of A-body tails w.r.t. few-body systems to constrain the form of short-distance contributions to NMEs and other quantities?
- Can we use factorization/OPE-like arguments to identify quantities that correlate w/0vBB NME?
- How do interpretations change as Λ varied by RG transformations? (See part 2)

Scale dependence of deuteron electrodisintegration

Test ground: $^2\text{H}(\text{e},\text{e}'\text{p})\text{n}$

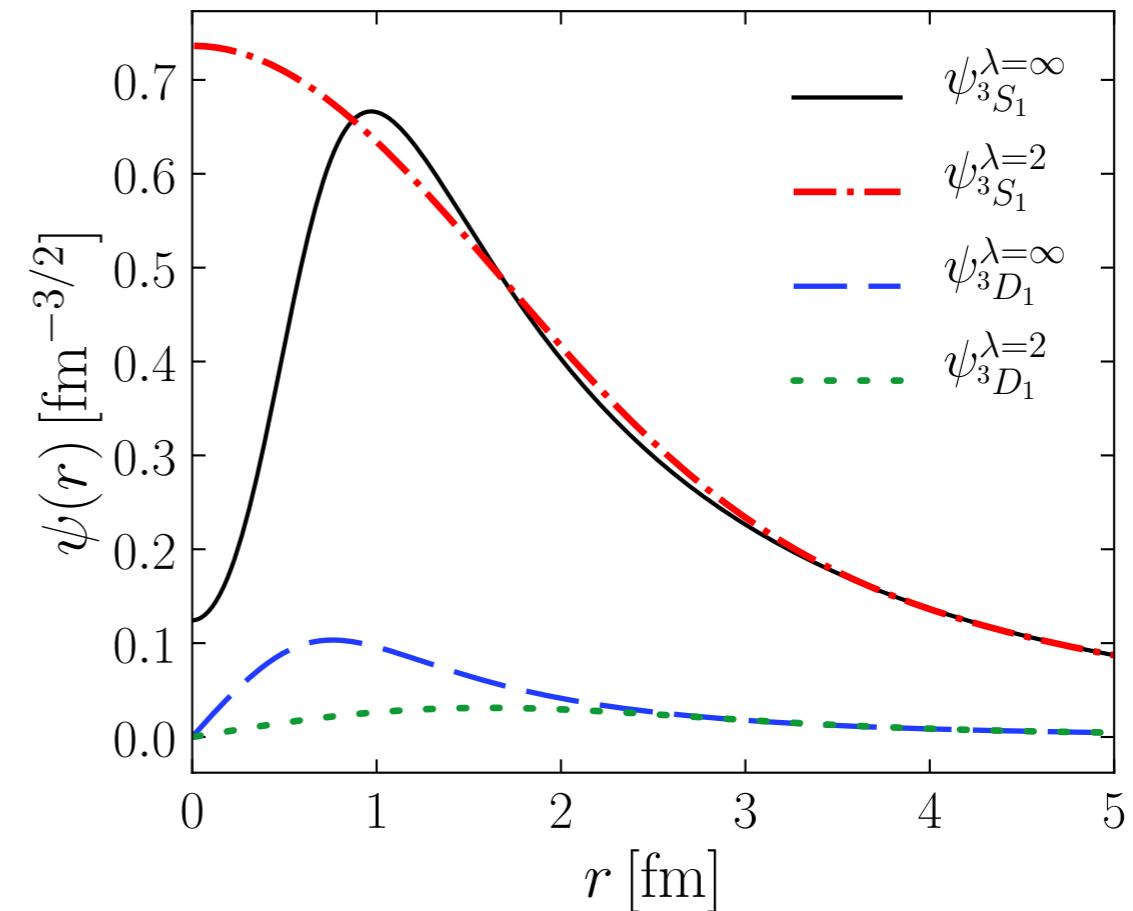
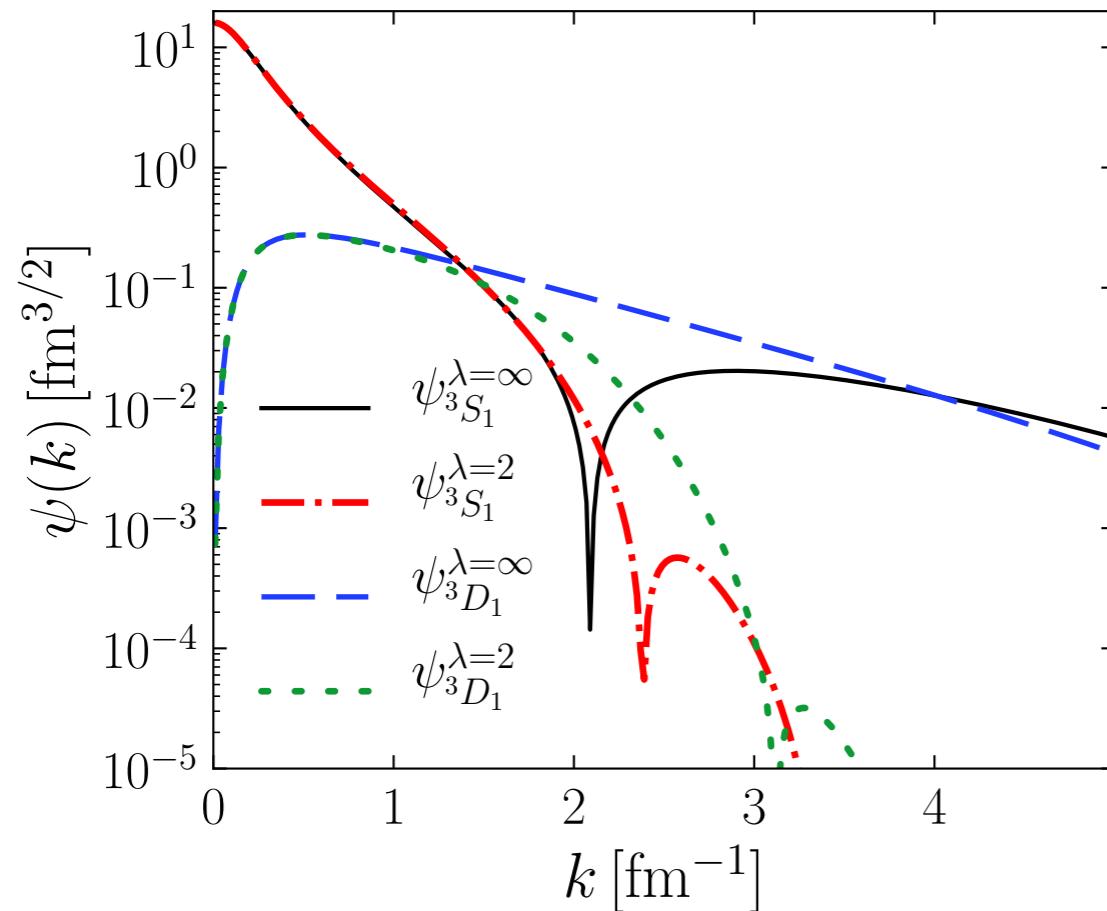
- Simplest knockout process (**no induced 3N forces/currents**)
- Focus on longitudinal structure function f_L

$$f_L \sim \sum_{m_s, m_J} |\langle \psi_f | J_0 | \psi_i \rangle|^2$$



- $f_L^\lambda \sim |\underbrace{\langle \psi_f | U_\lambda^\dagger}_{\psi_f^\lambda} \underbrace{U_\lambda J_0 U_\lambda^\dagger}_{J_0^\lambda} \underbrace{U_\lambda | \psi_i \rangle}_\psi|^2; \quad U_\lambda^\dagger U_\lambda = I; \quad f_L^\lambda = f_L$
- Components (deuteron wf, transition operator, FSI) scale-dependent, total is not.
- Are some resolutions “better” than others? E.g., in a given kinematics, can FSI be minimized with different choices of λ ??

Deuteron wave function evolution

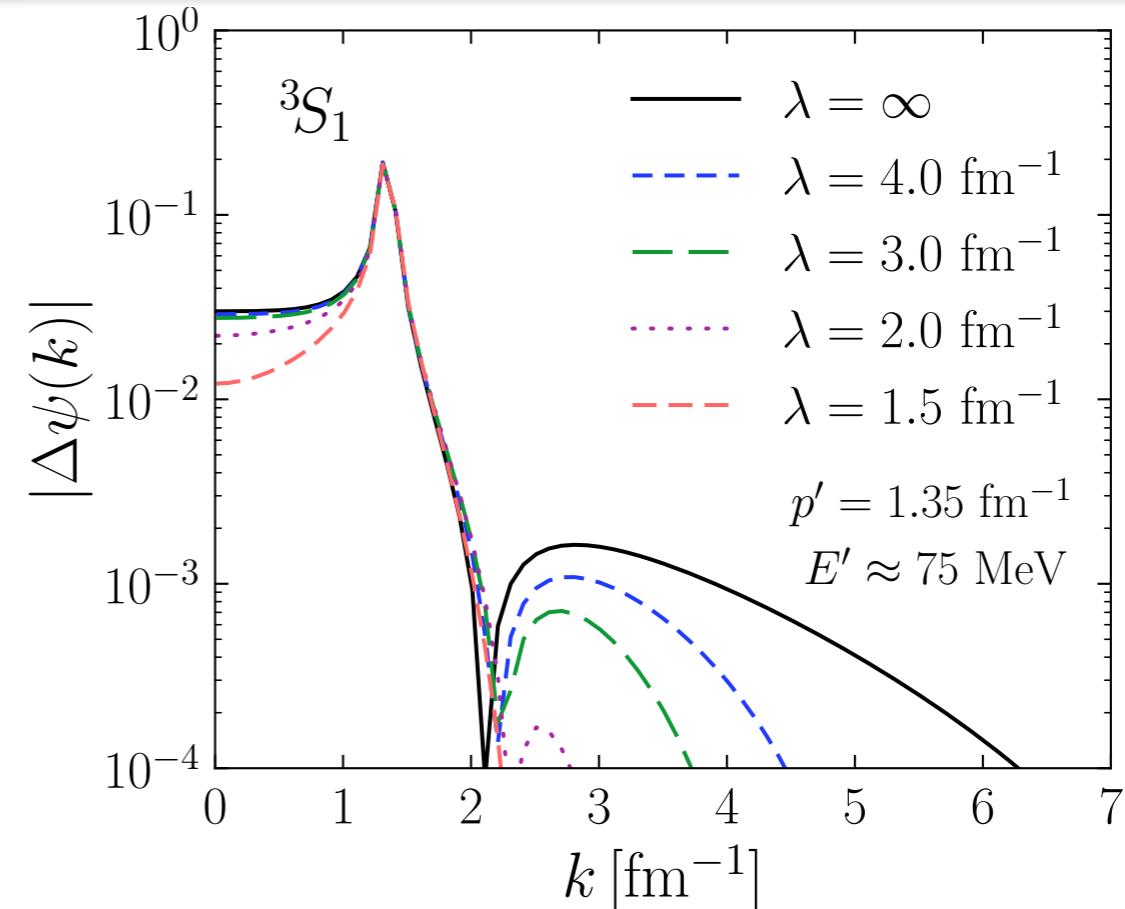
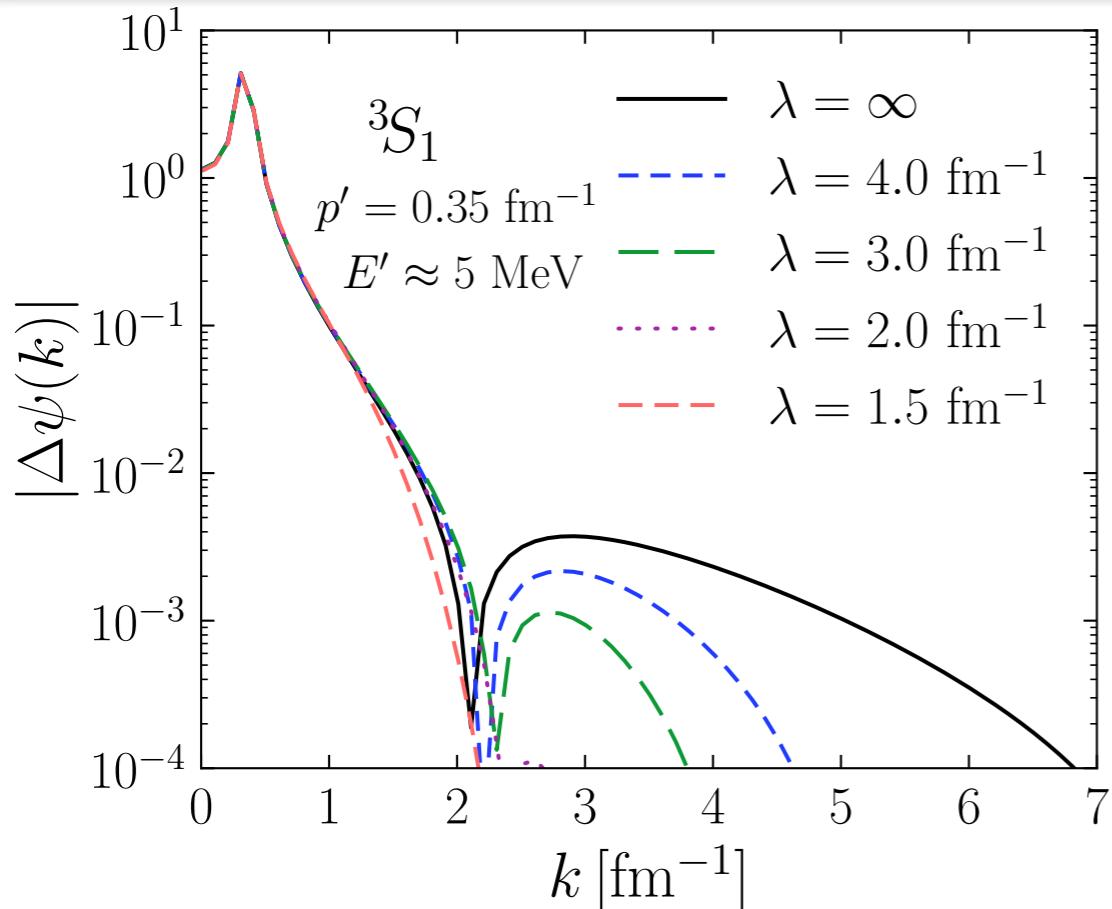


$k < \lambda$ components invariant \iff RG preserves long-distance physics

$k > \lambda$ components suppressed \iff short-range correlations blurred out

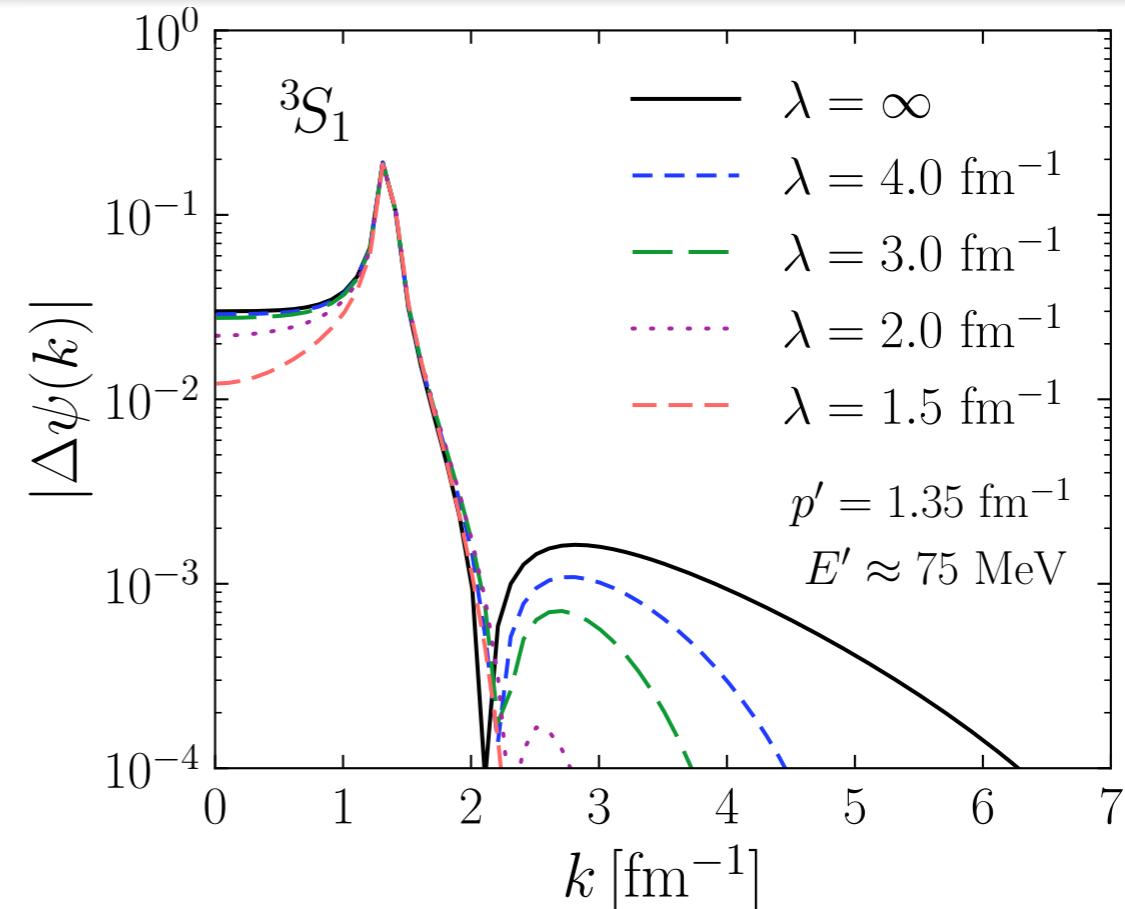
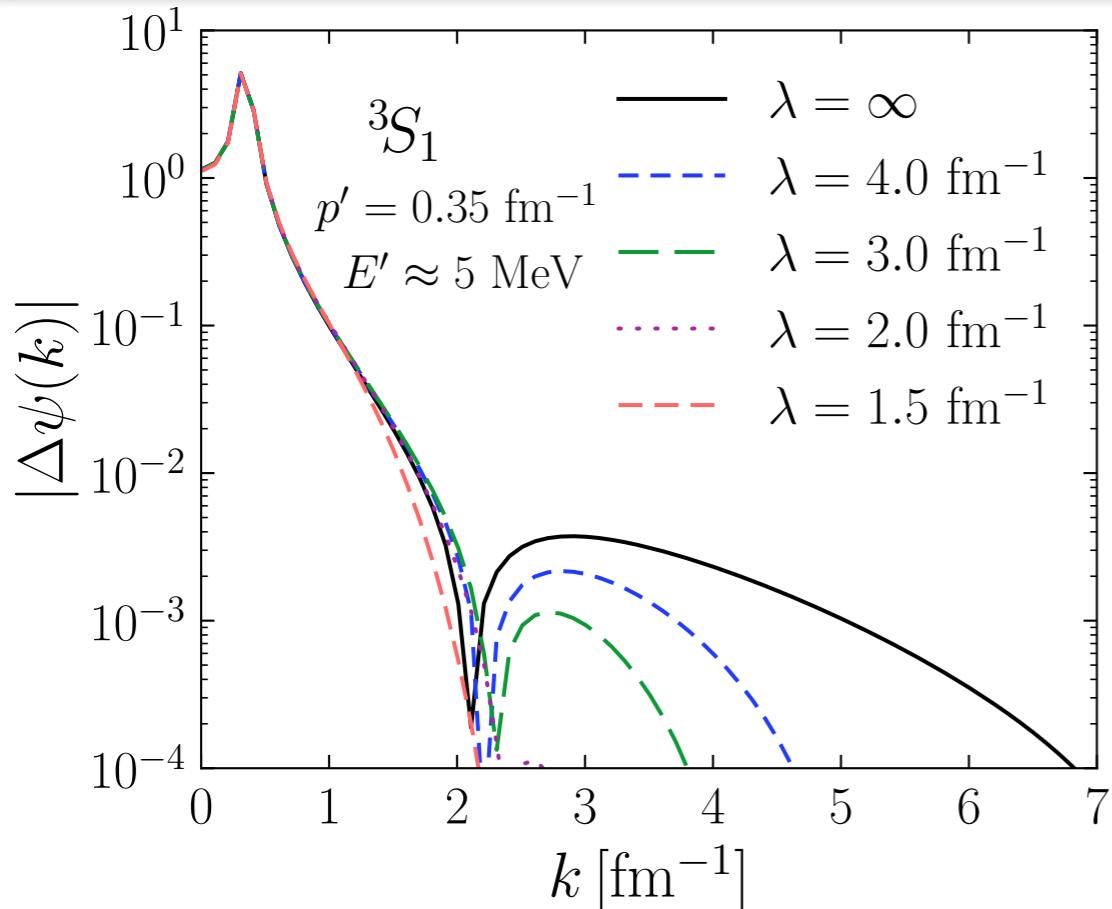
Folklore: Simple wave functions at low λ \iff more complicated operators?
especially for high-q processes?

Final-state wave function evolution



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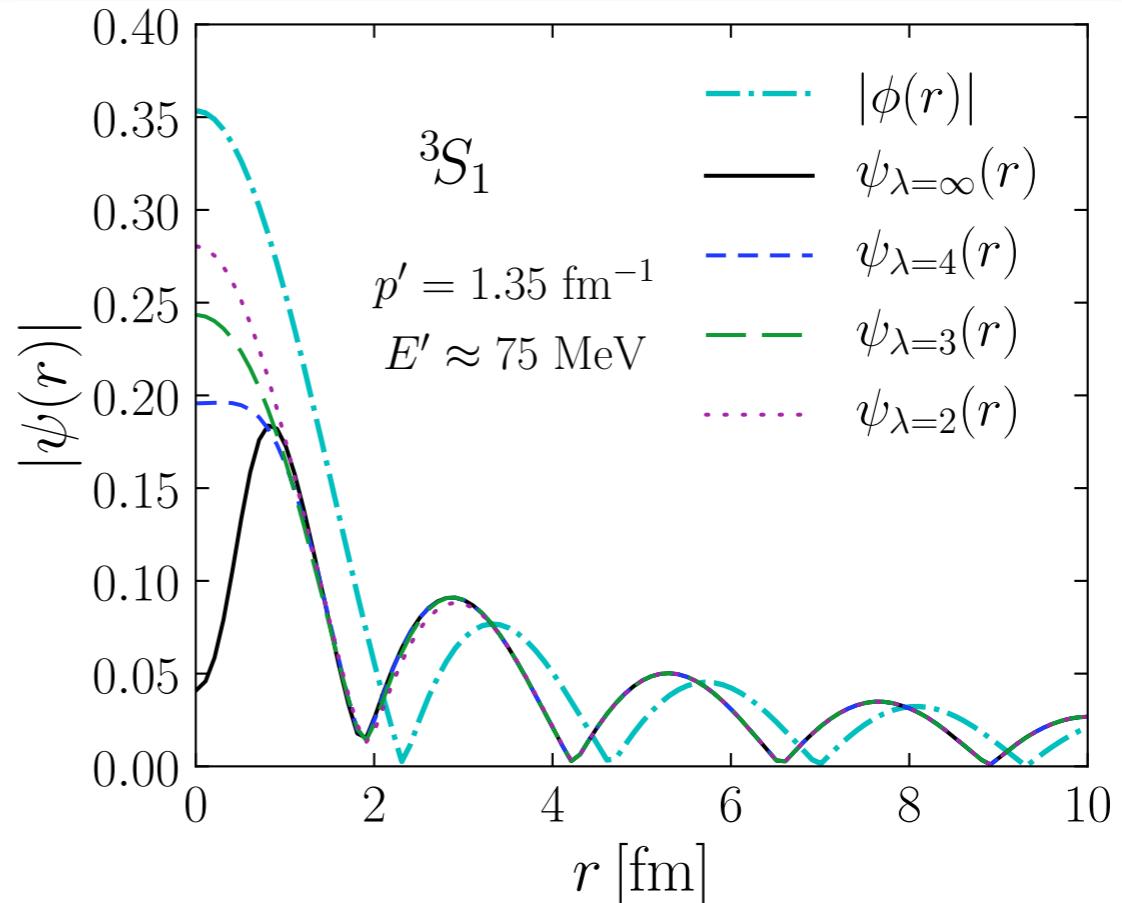
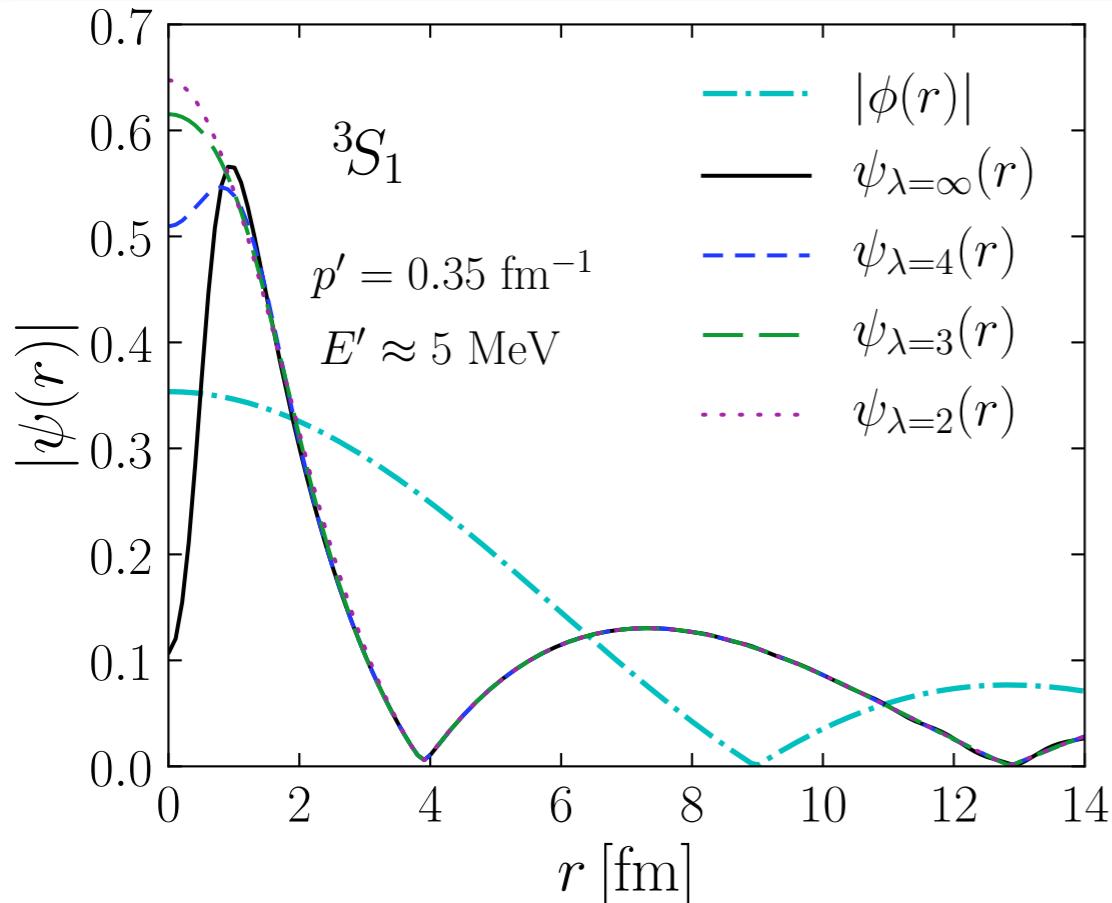
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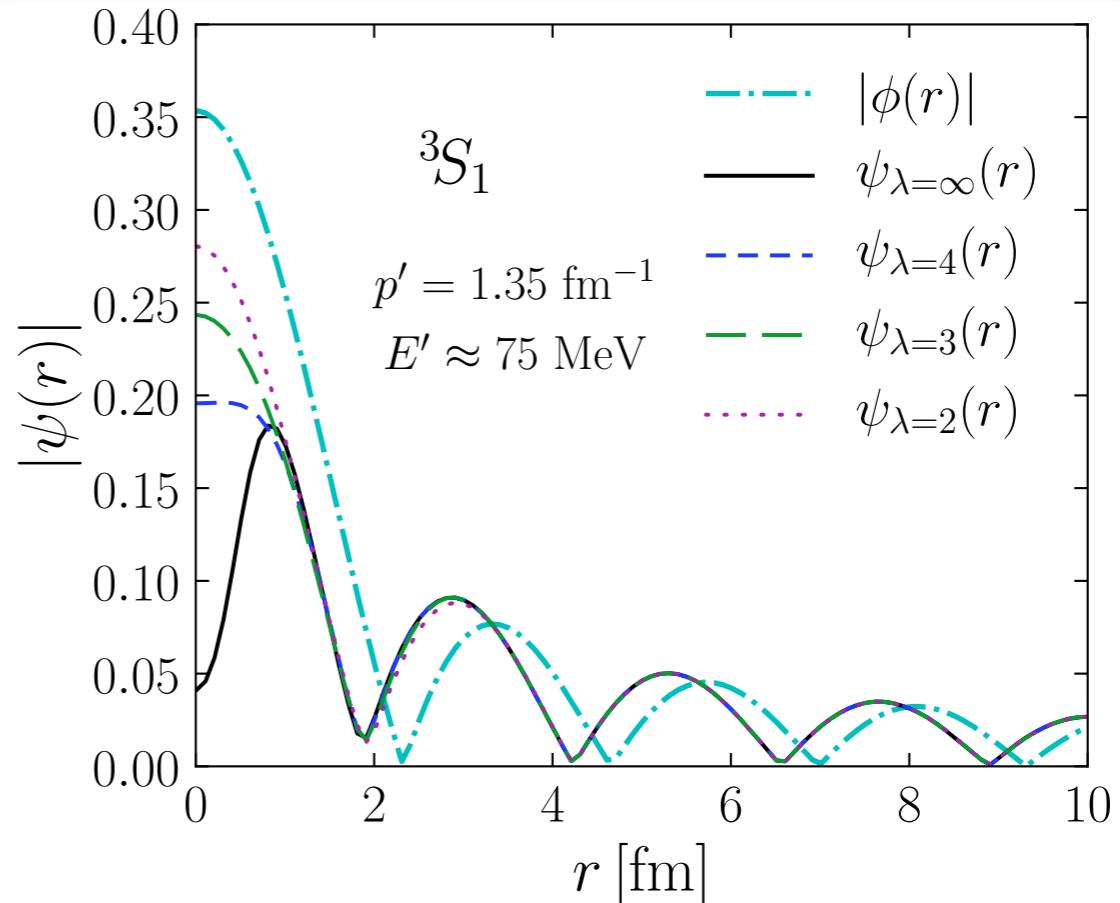
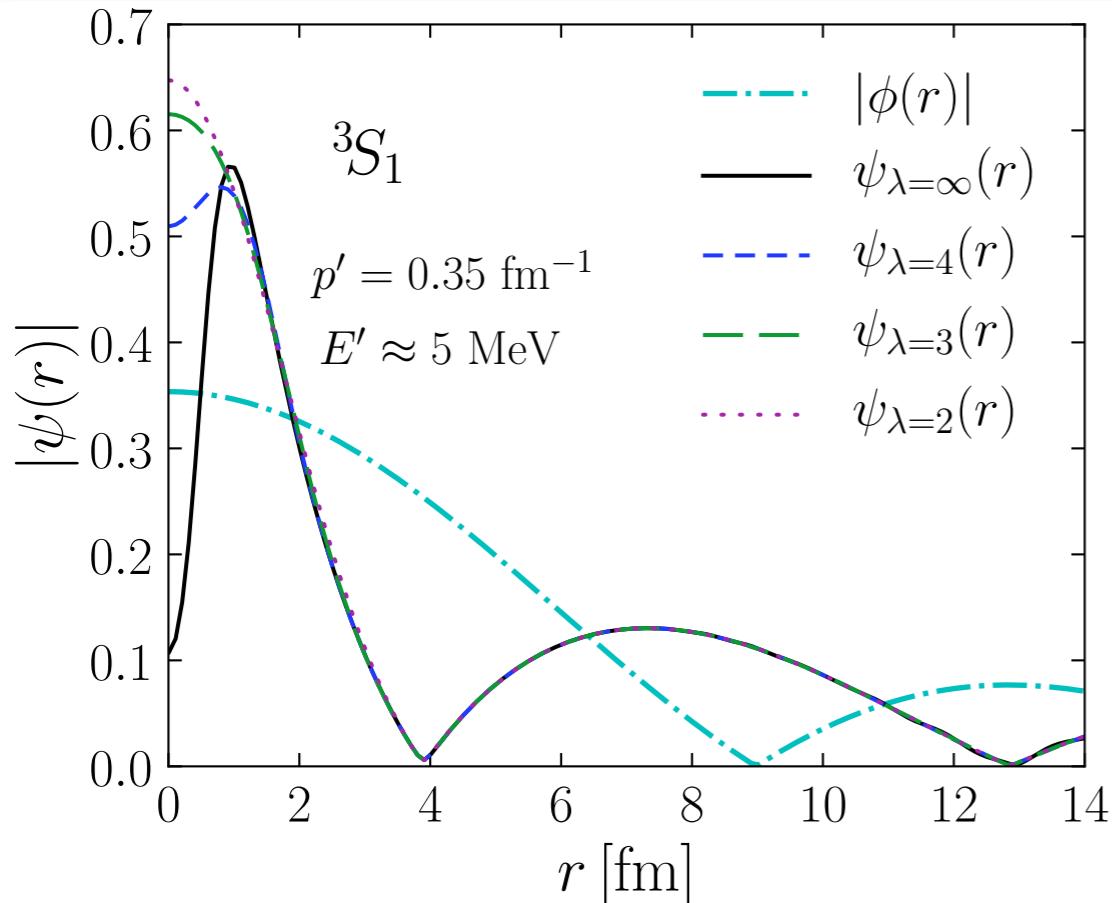
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- High- k tail suppressed with evolution
- For $p' \gtrsim \lambda$, $\Delta\psi_f^\lambda(p'; k)$ localized around outgoing p'
"local decoupling" Dainton et al. PRC 89 (2014)

Final-state wave function evolution



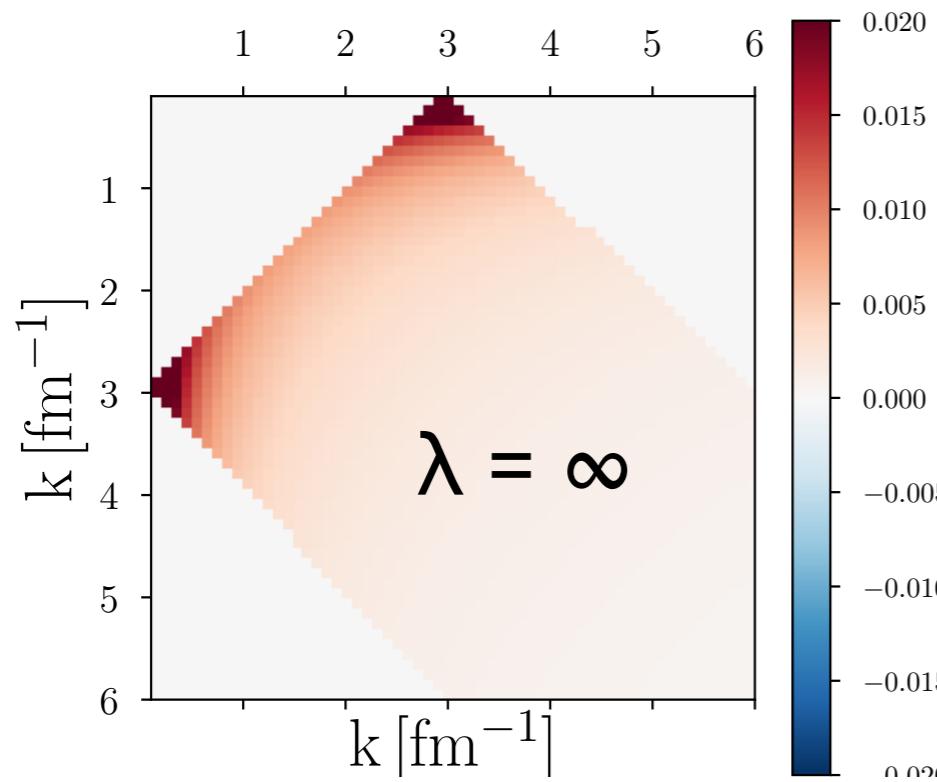
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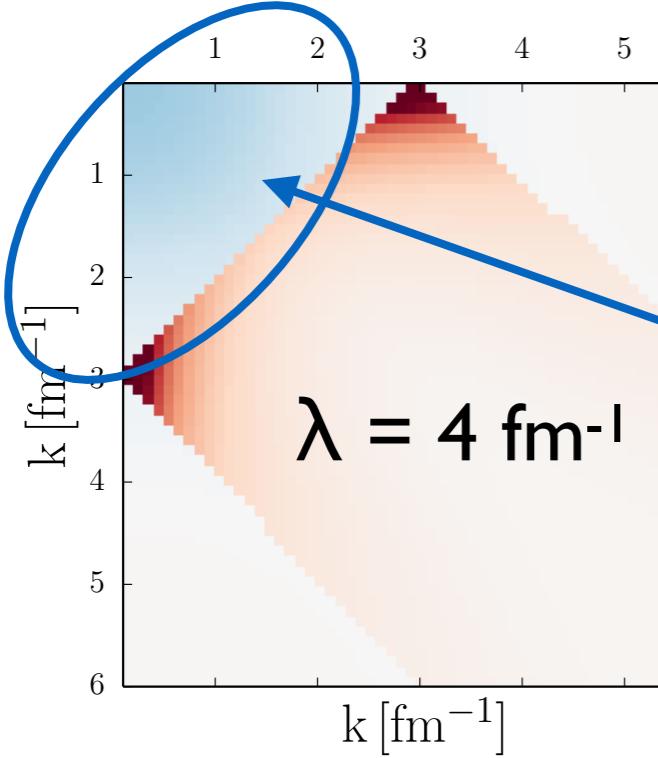
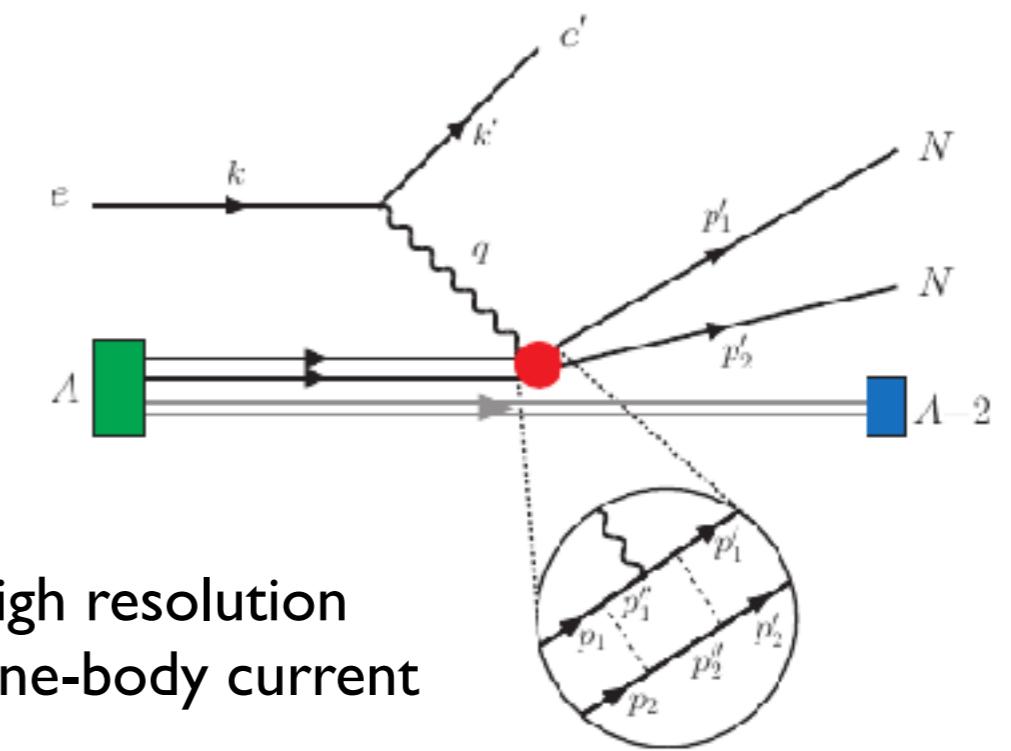
- Correlation “wound” at small r smoothed out under evolution
- Long-distance tail invariant (phase shifts preserved)

Current operator evolution

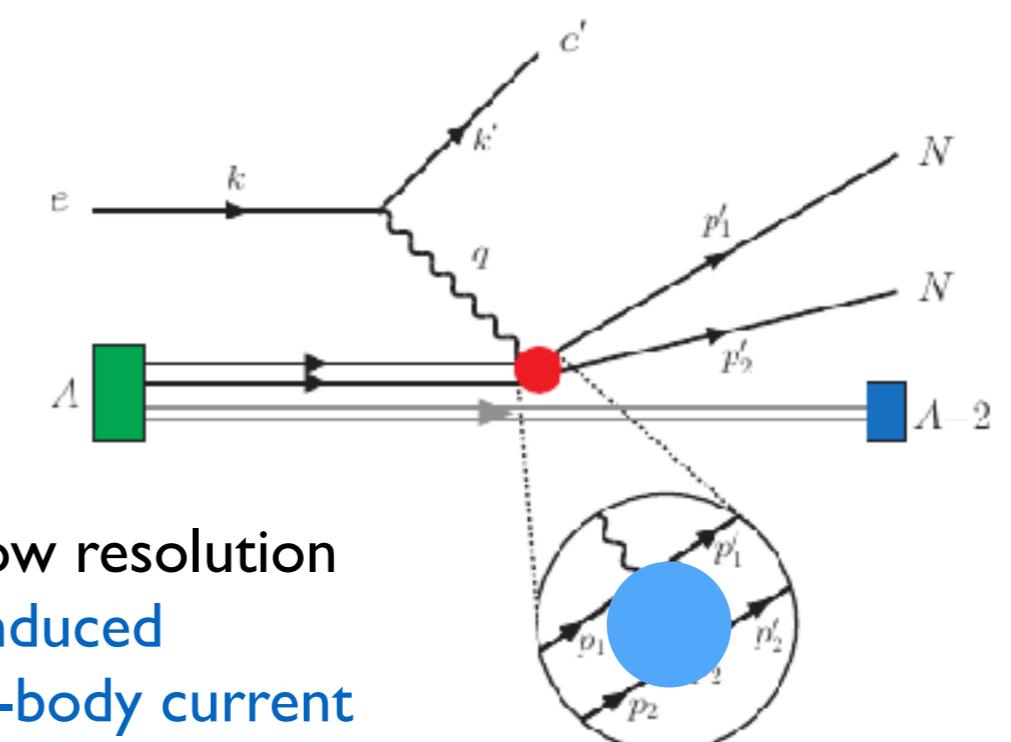
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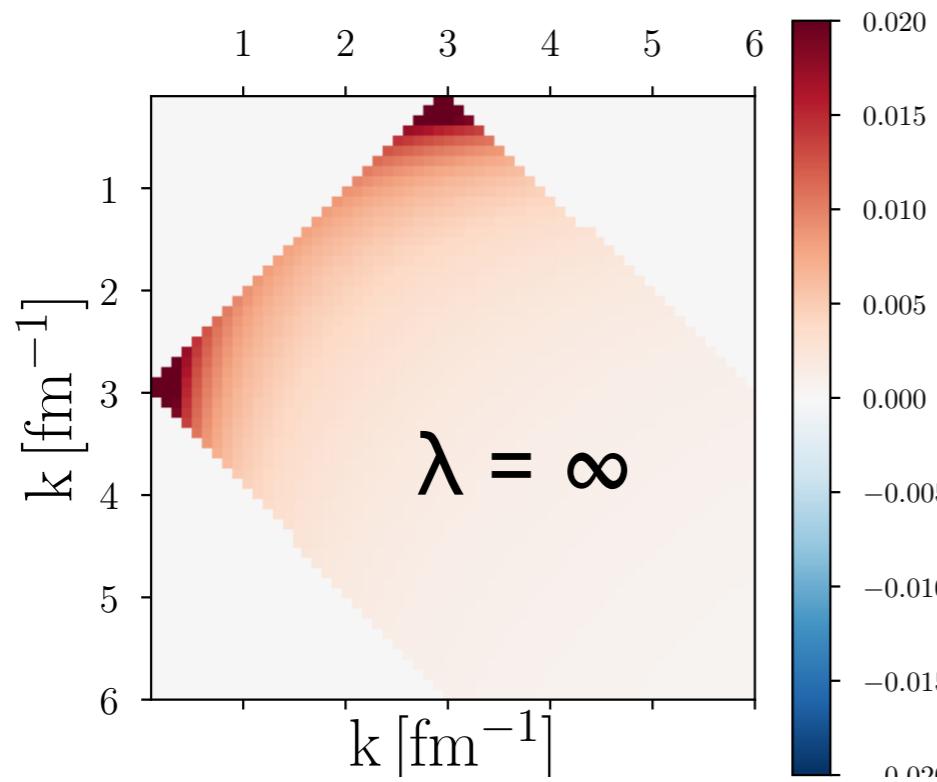


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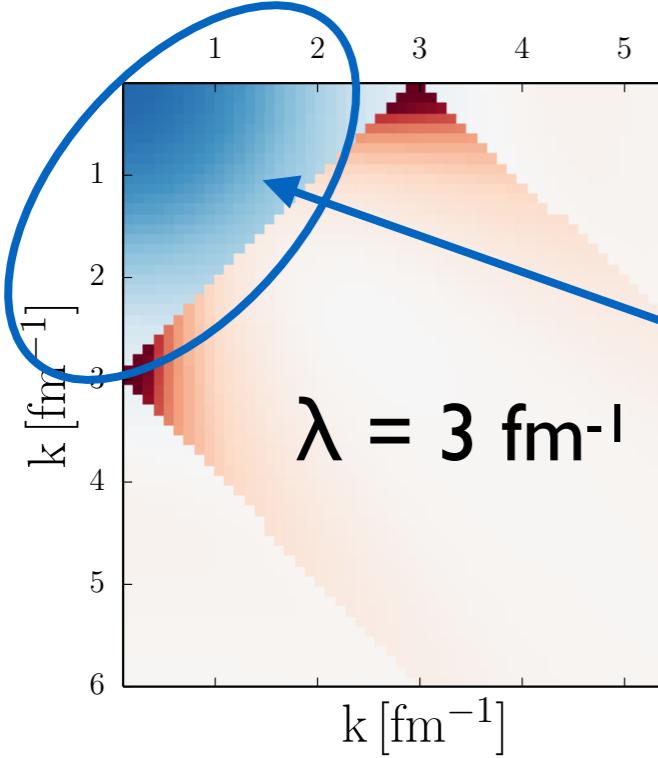
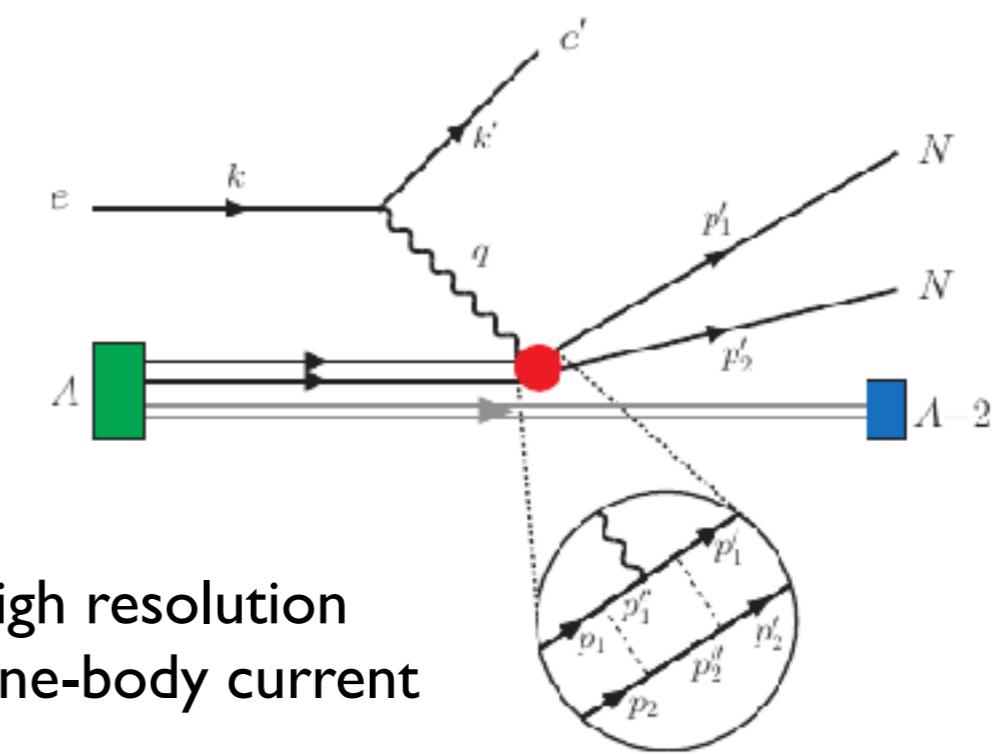


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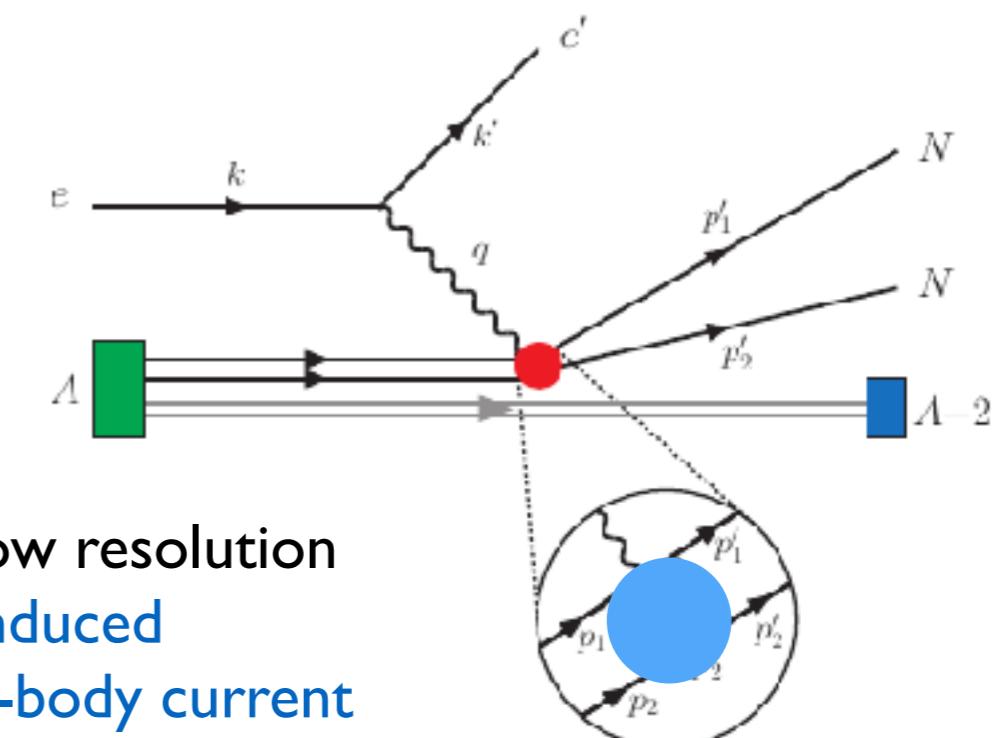
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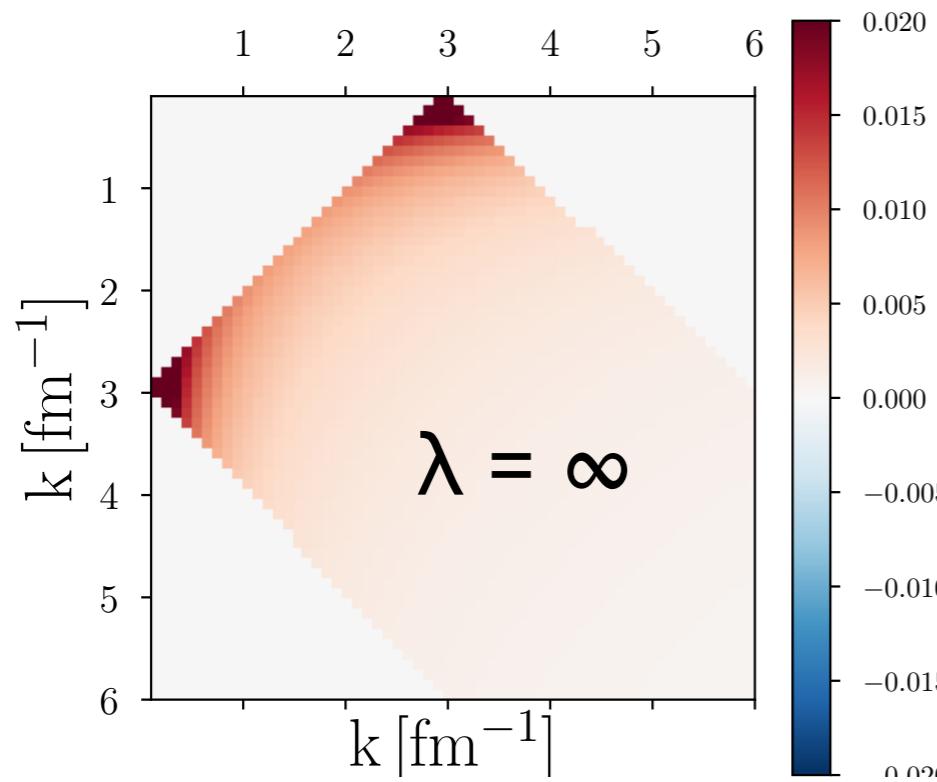


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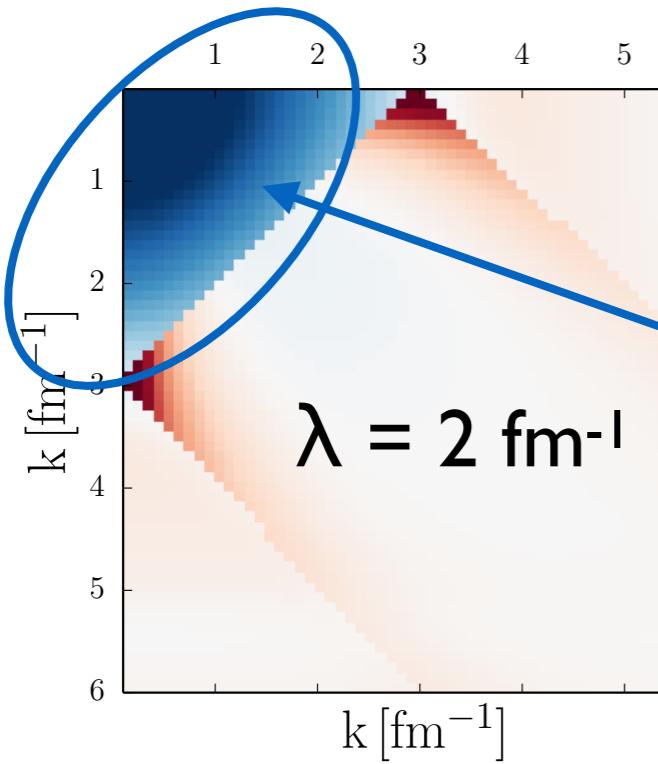
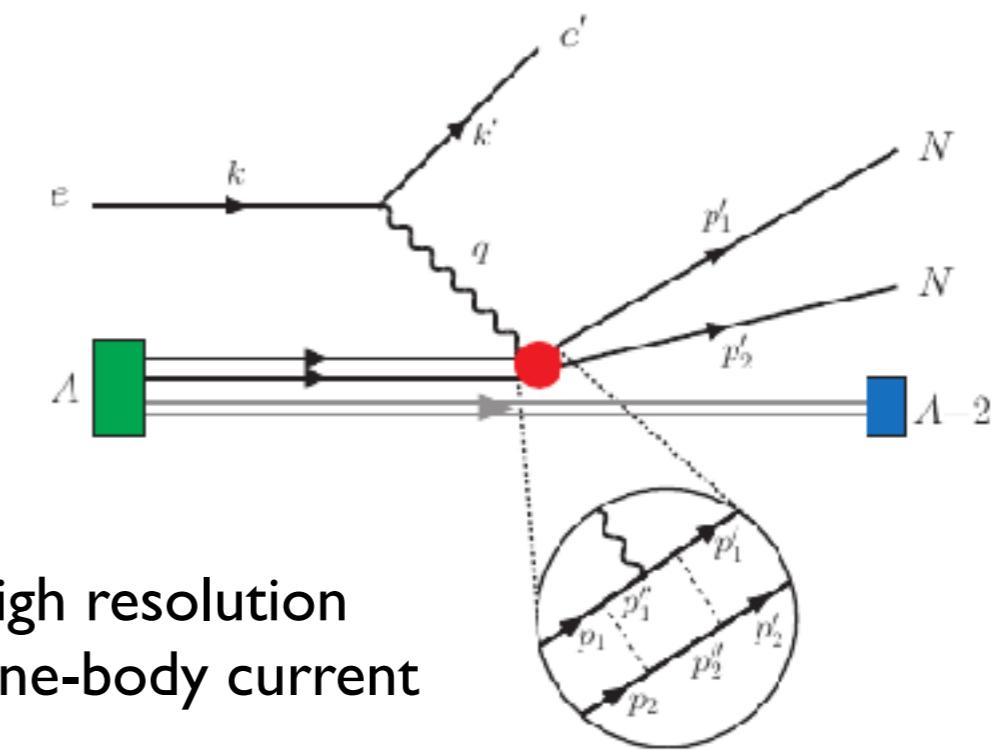


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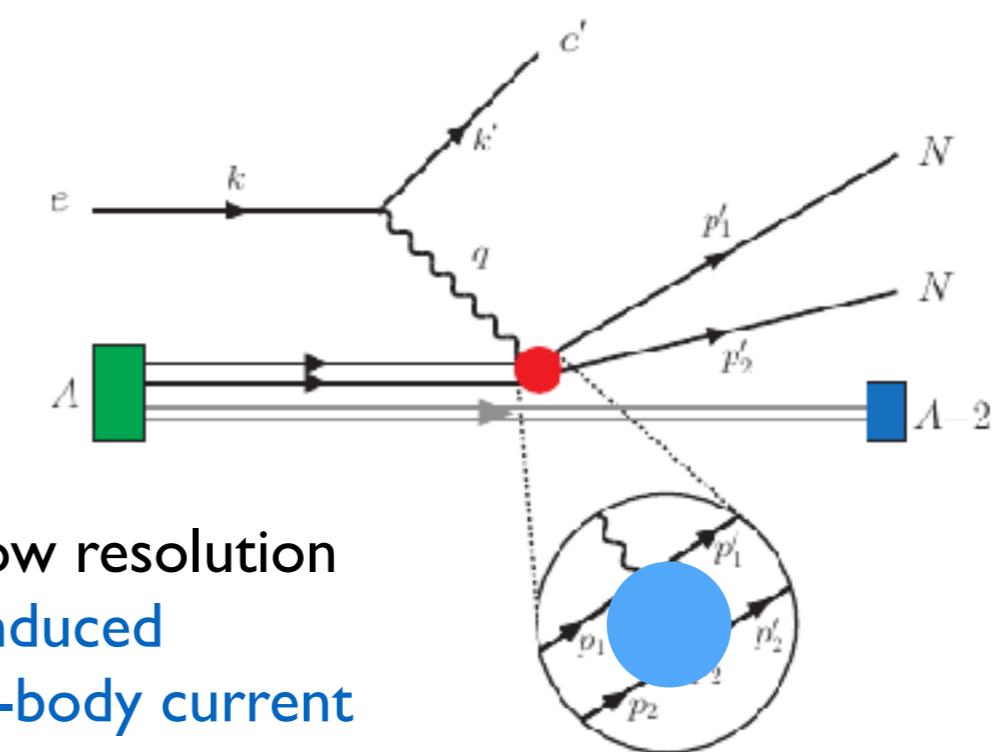
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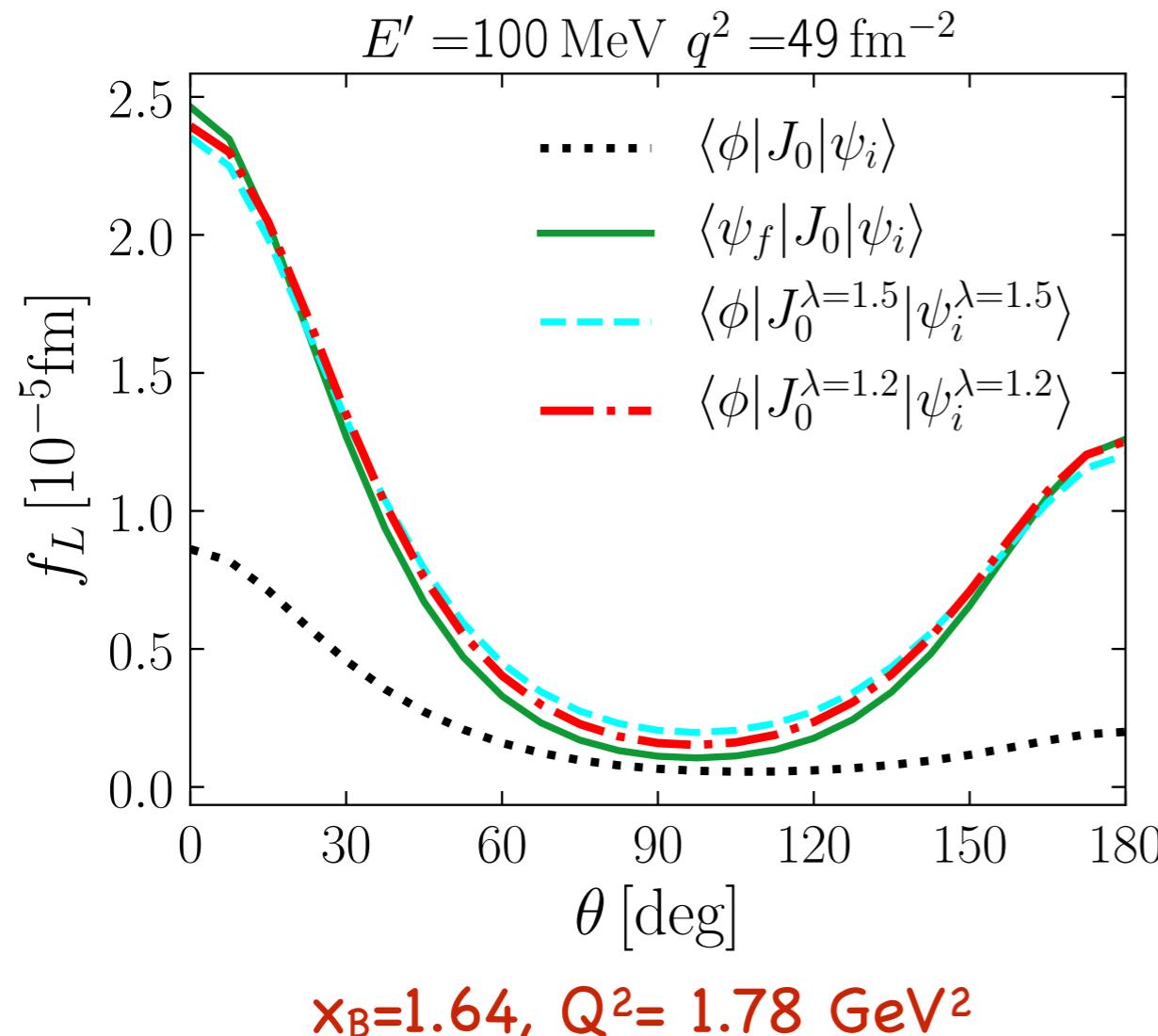


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λ dependence of Final State Interactions

Look at kinematics relevant to SRC studies



FSI sizable at large λ
but negligible at low-resolution!

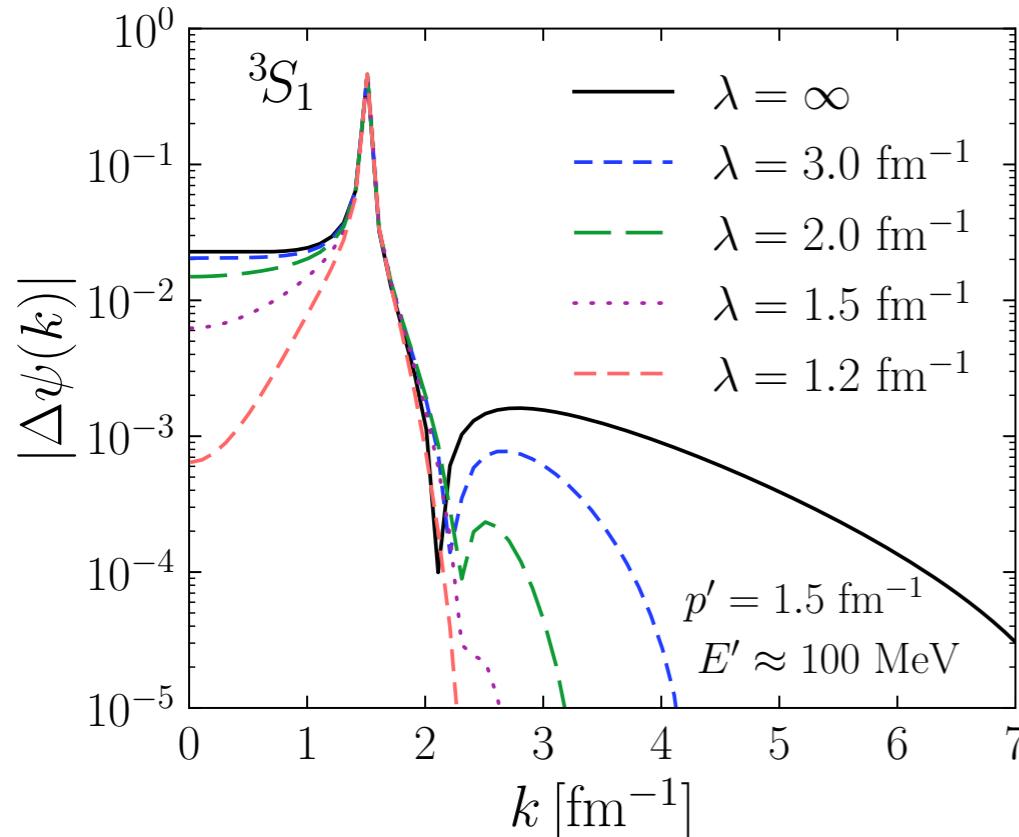
Folklore:

shouldn't hard processes
be complicated in low resolution
($\lambda \ll q$) pictures?

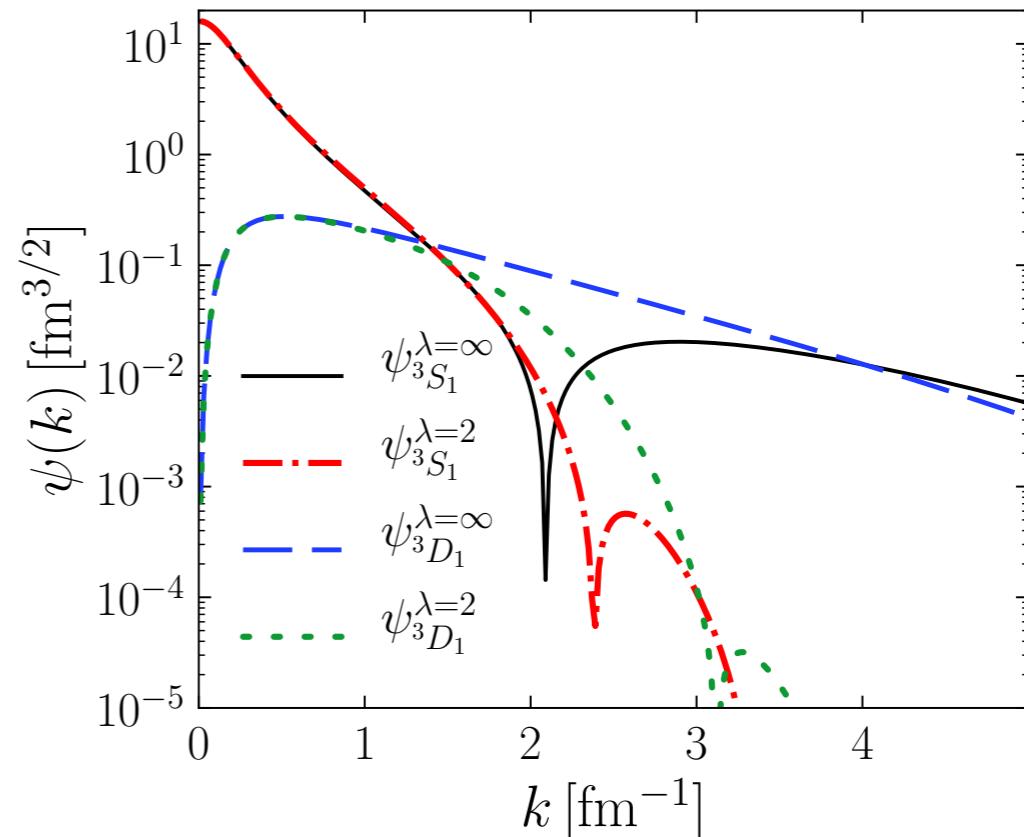
Why are FSI so small at low λ ?

λ dependence of Final State Interactions

final state wf (interacting piece)



initial state (deuteron) wf



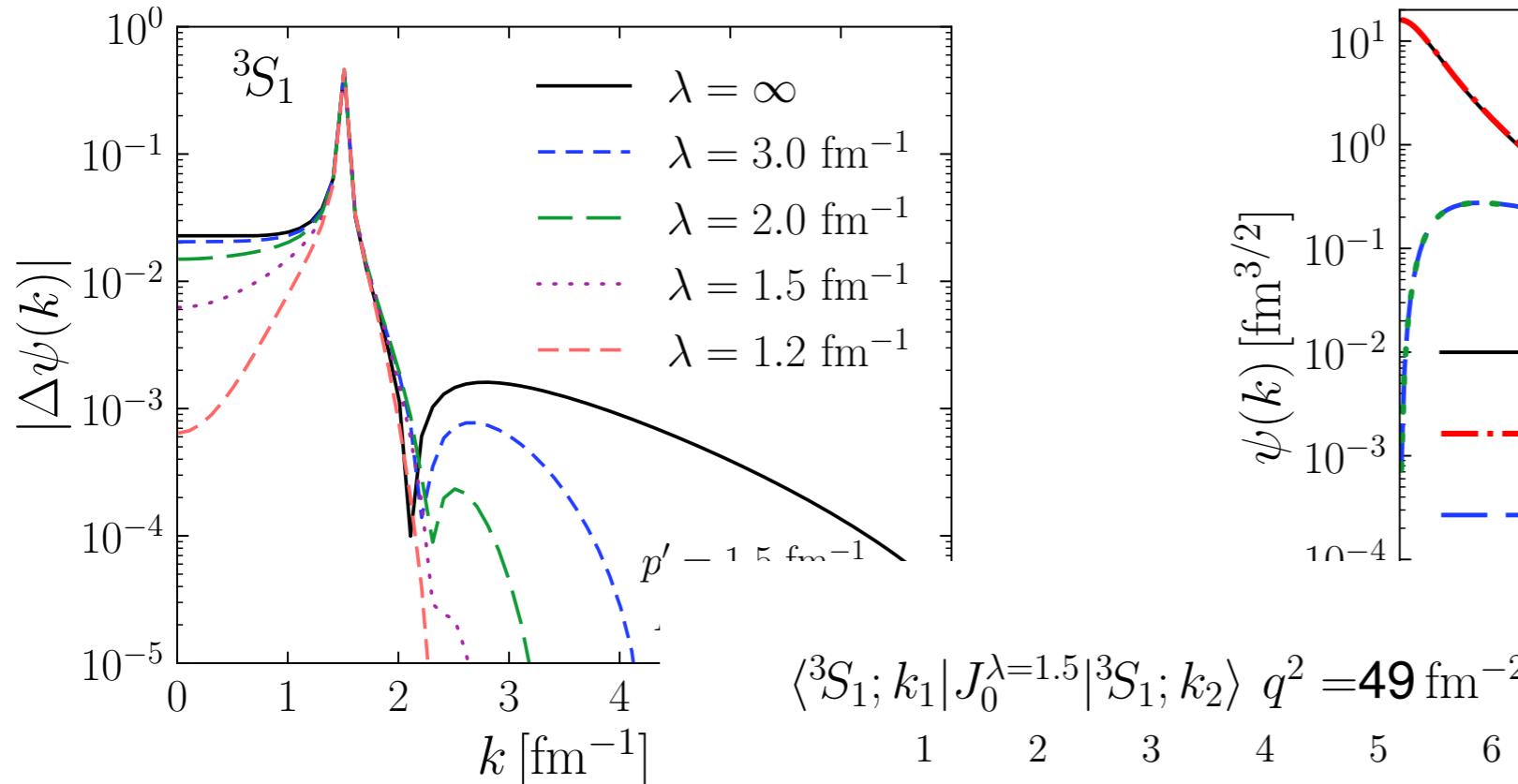
For $p' \gtrsim \lambda$, interacting part of final state wf localized at $k \approx p'$

Dominant support of deuteron wf at $k \lesssim \lambda$

λ dependence of Final State Interactions

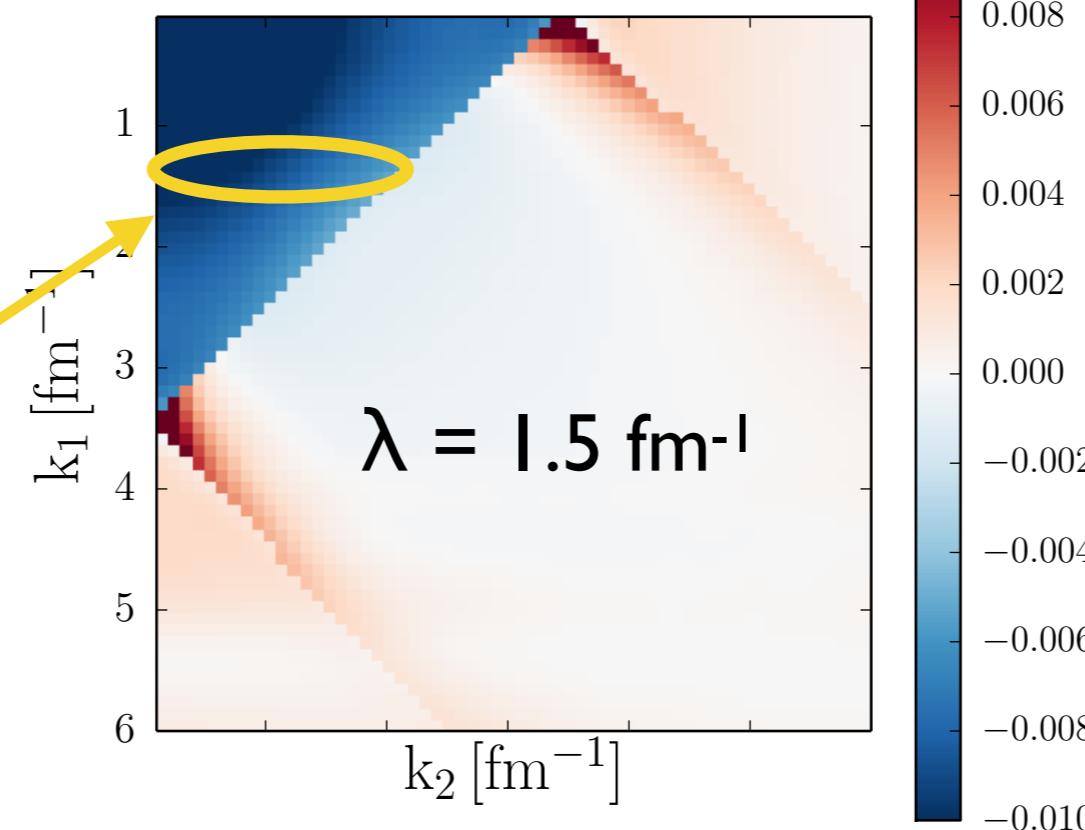
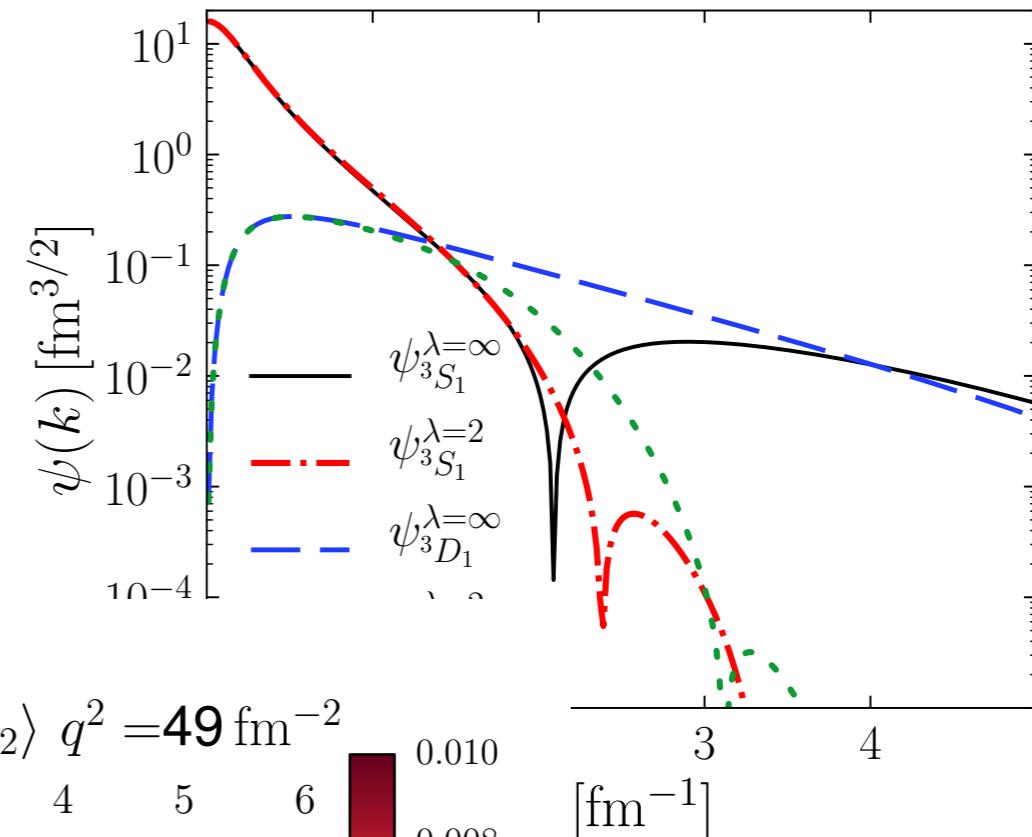


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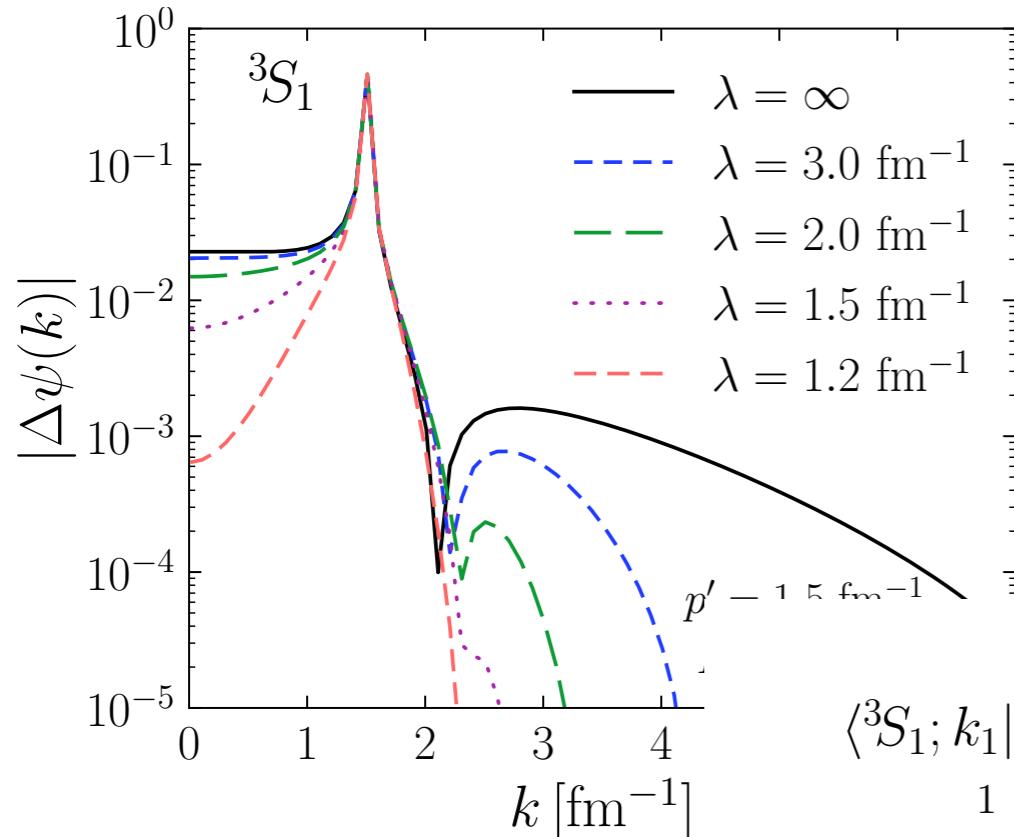
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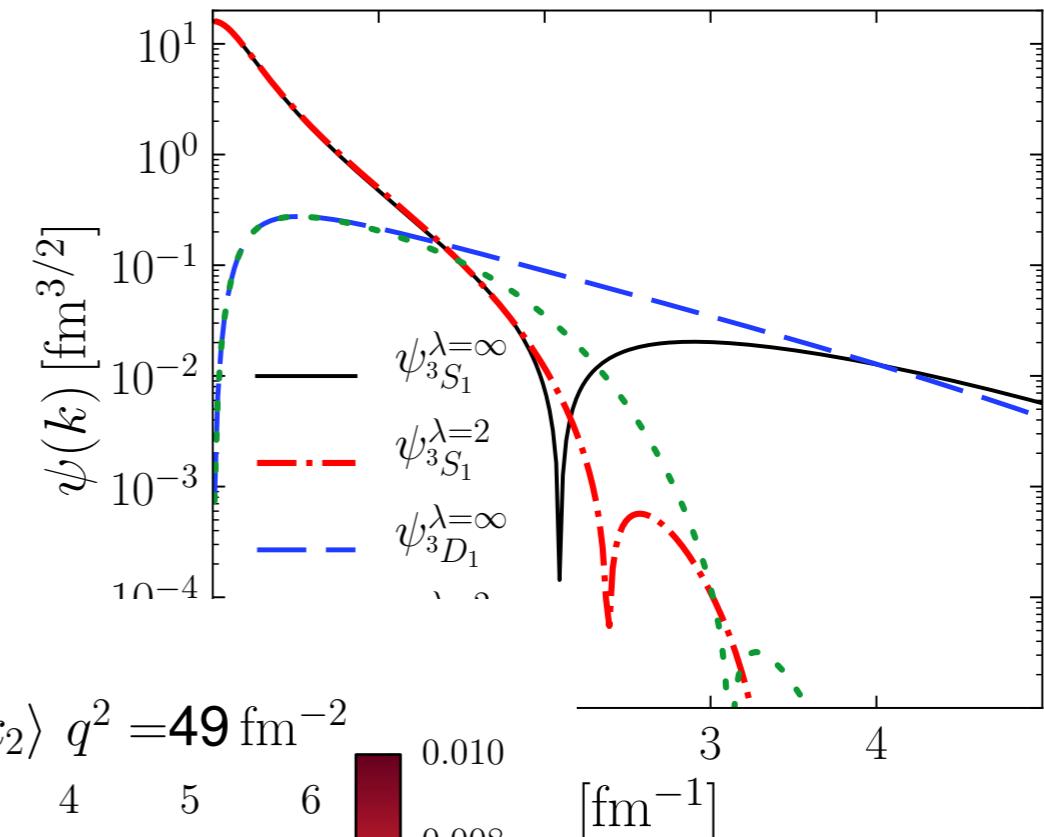
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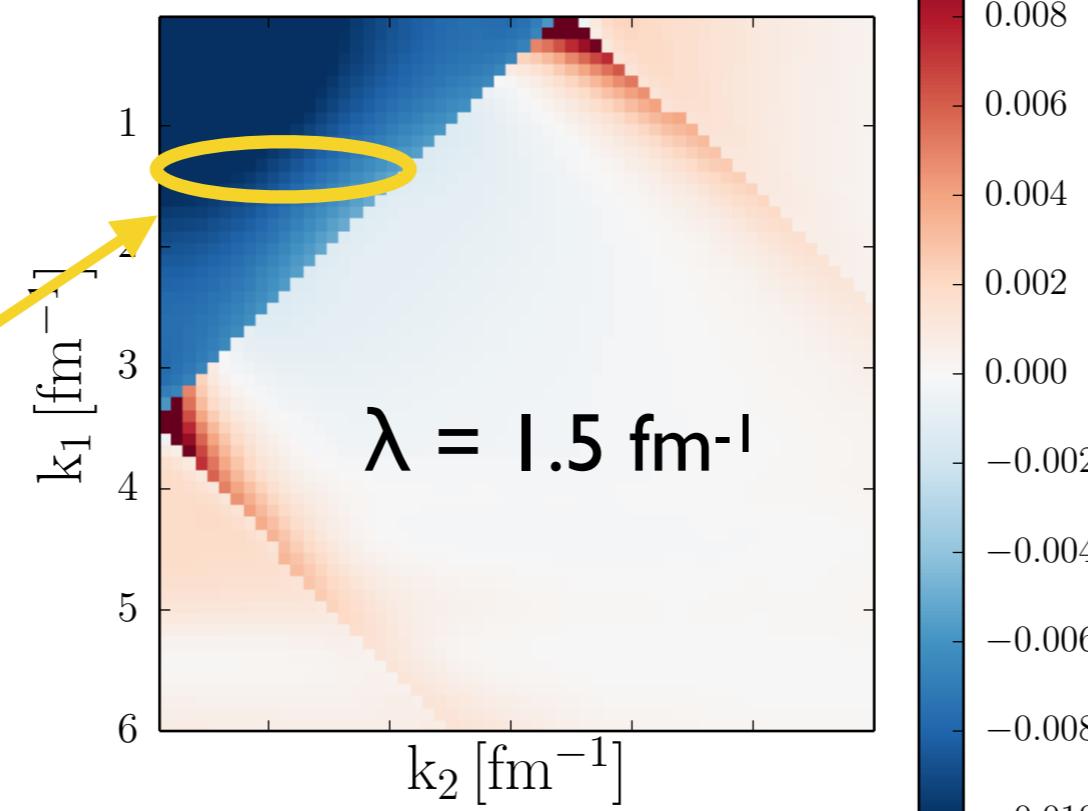
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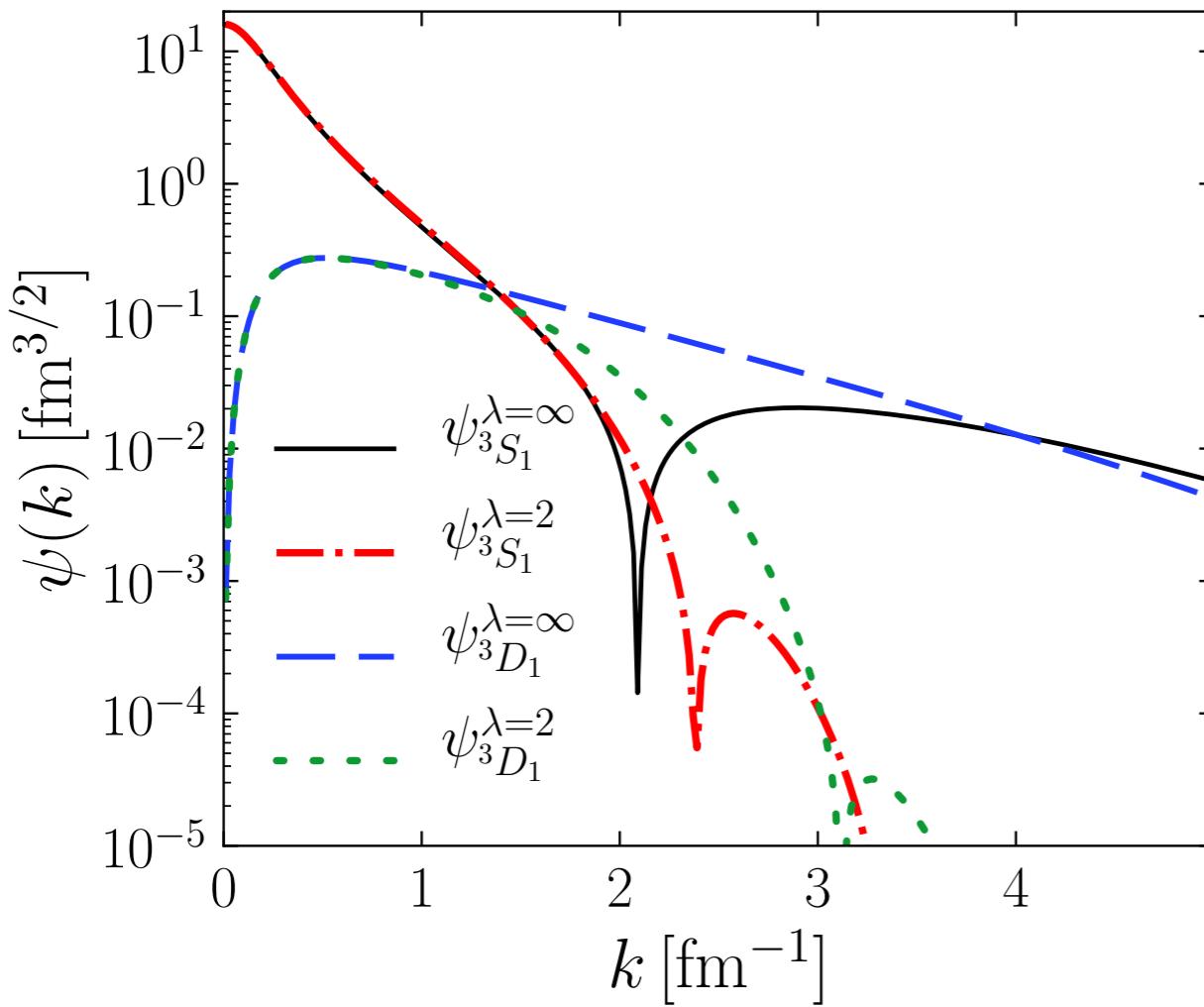
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$\therefore \text{FSI} \sim T(p', p')$
(small!)

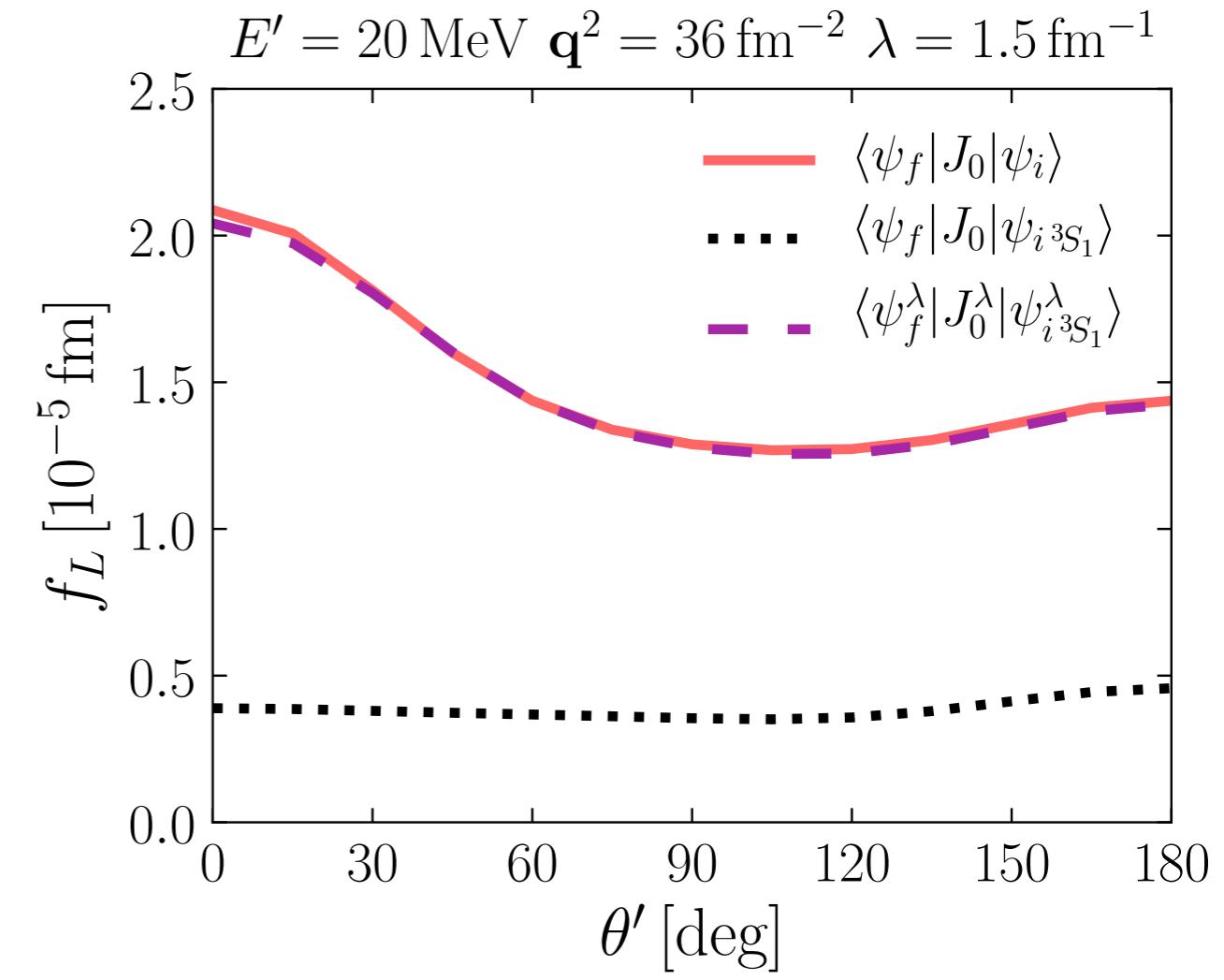
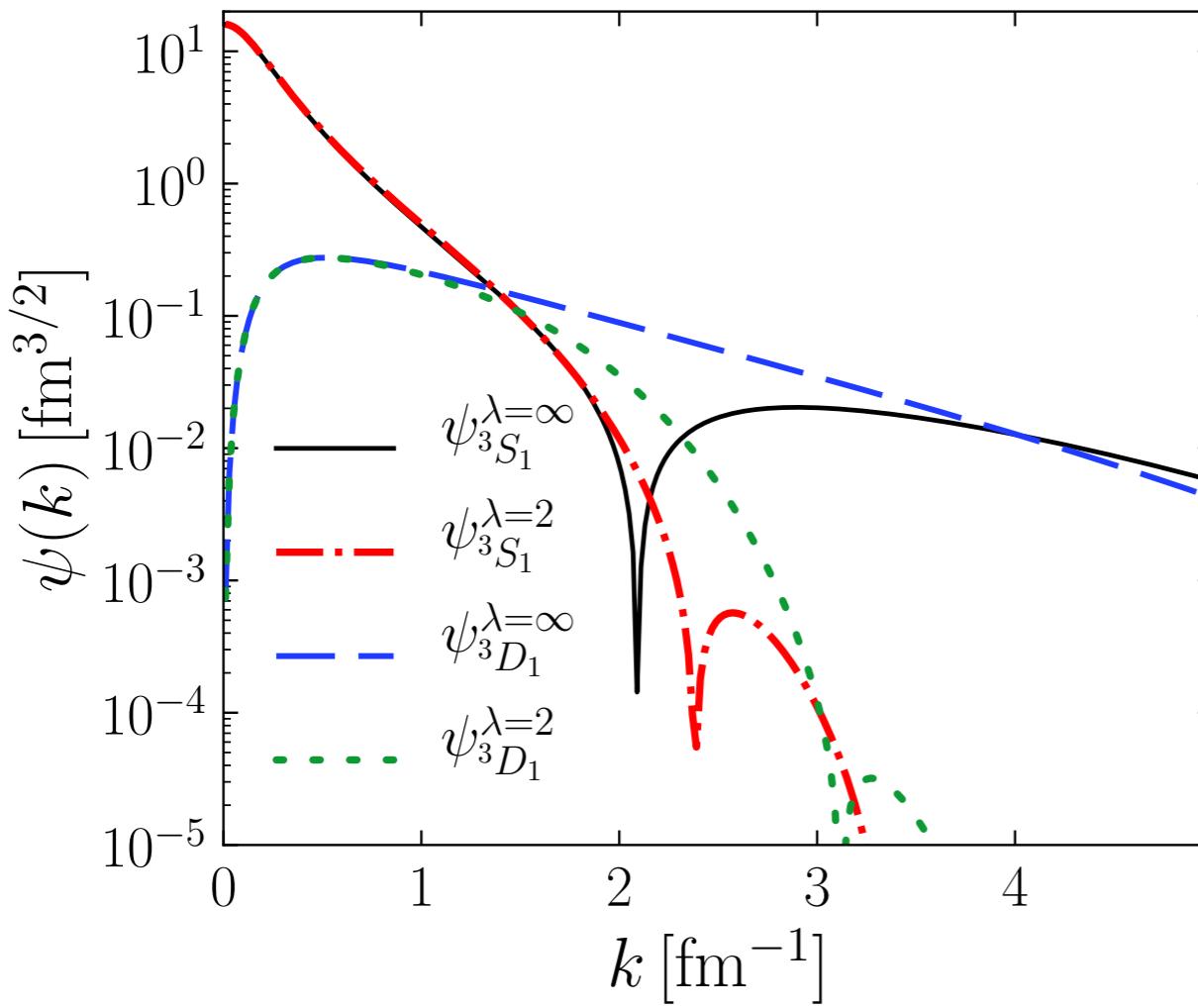
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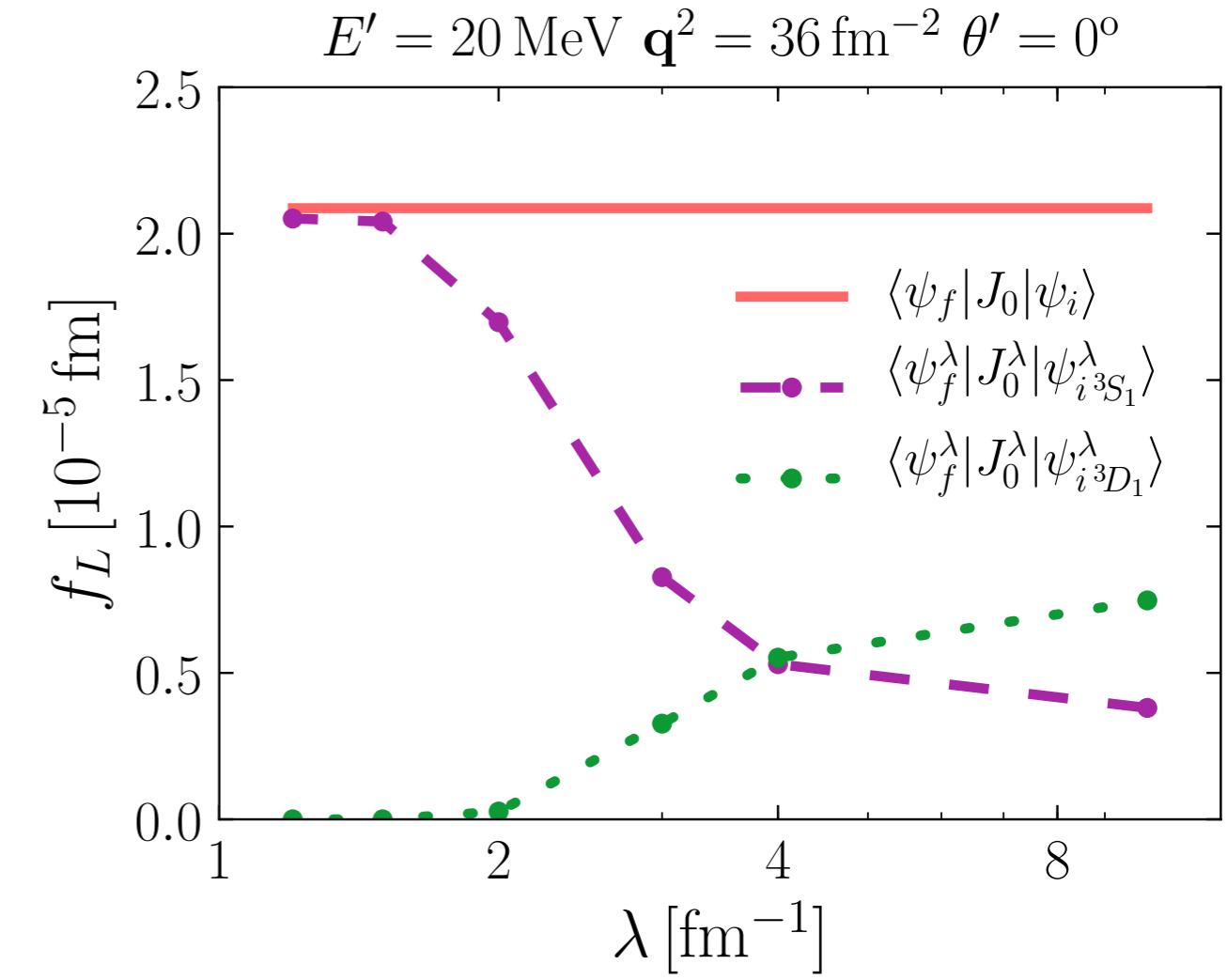
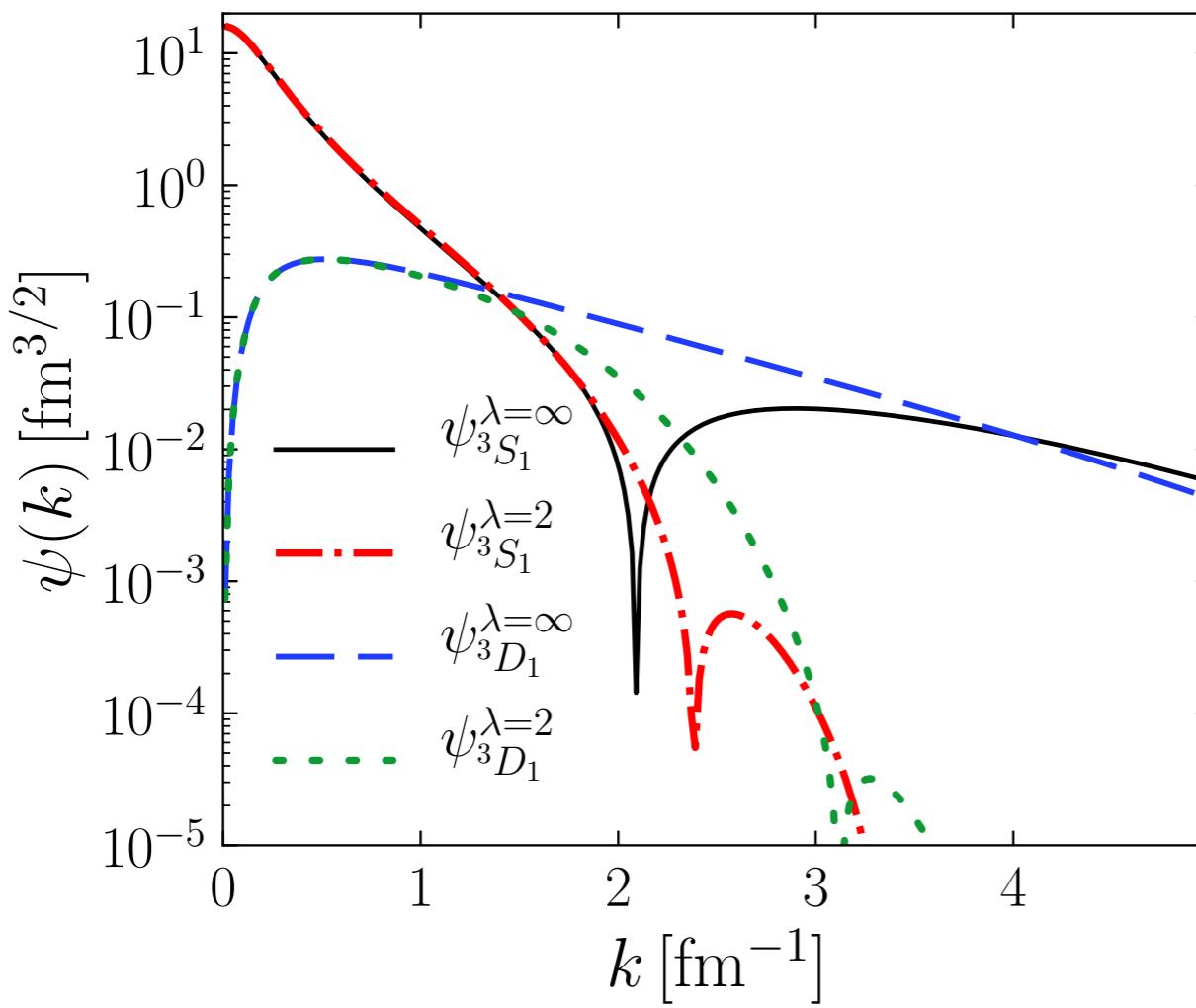
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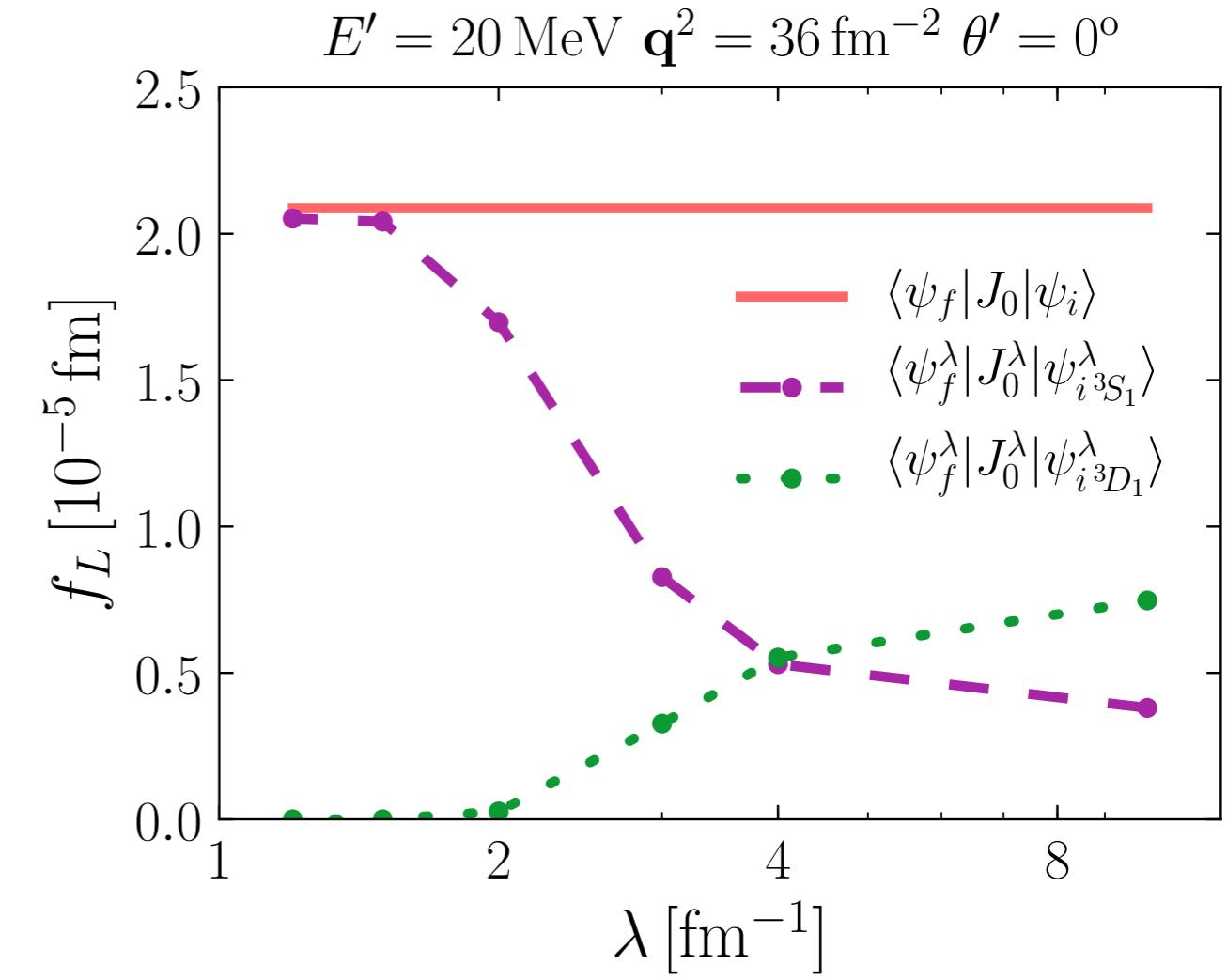
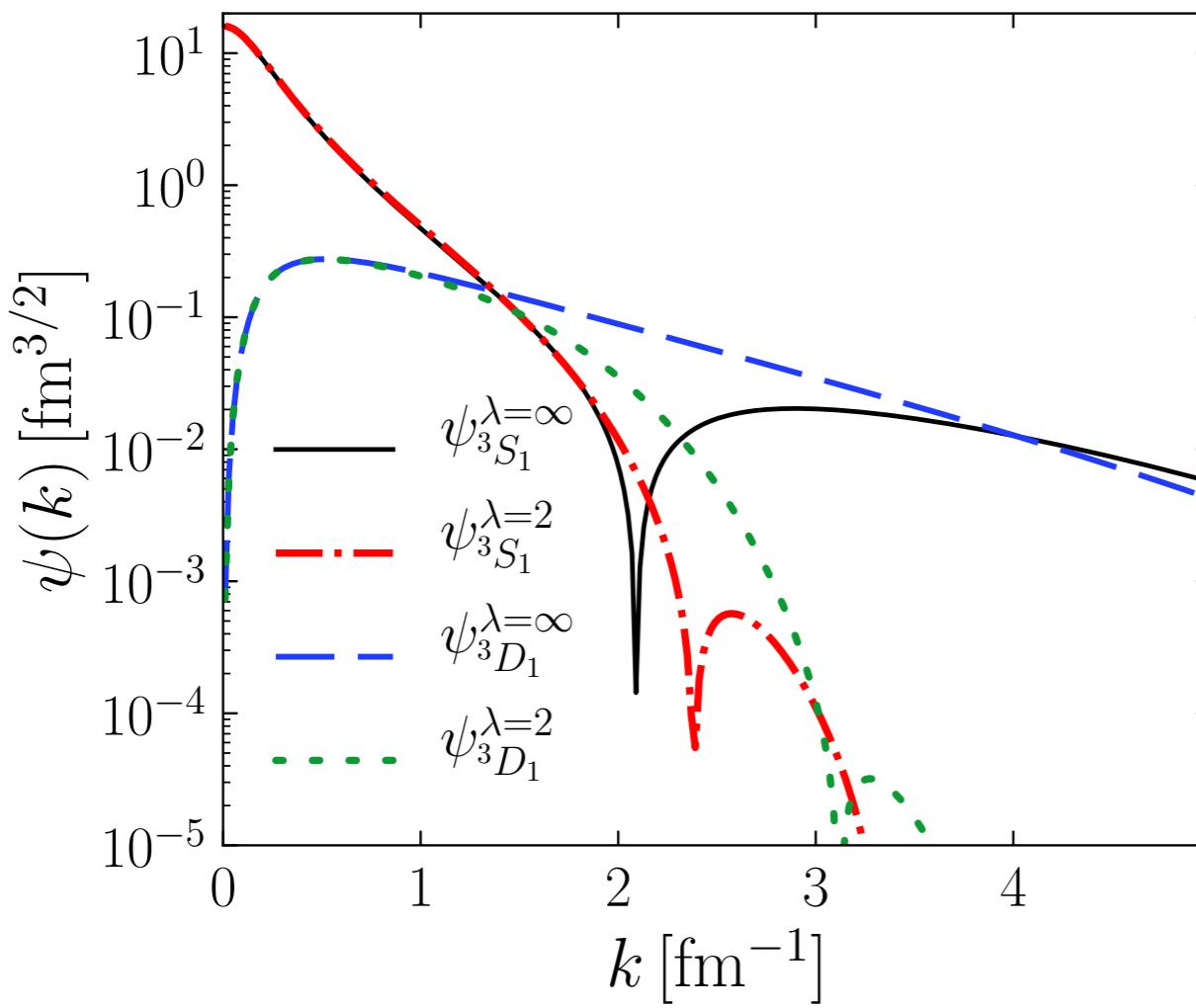
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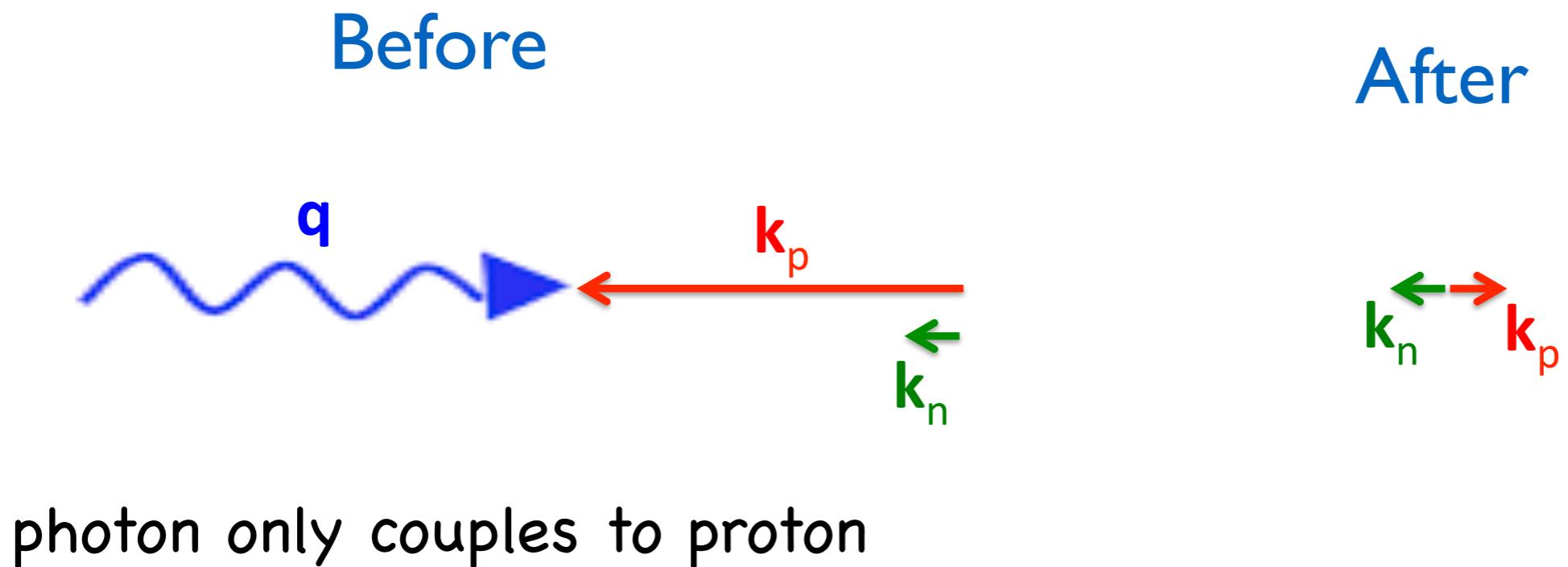
Before

After

$$k_n \leftrightarrow k_p$$

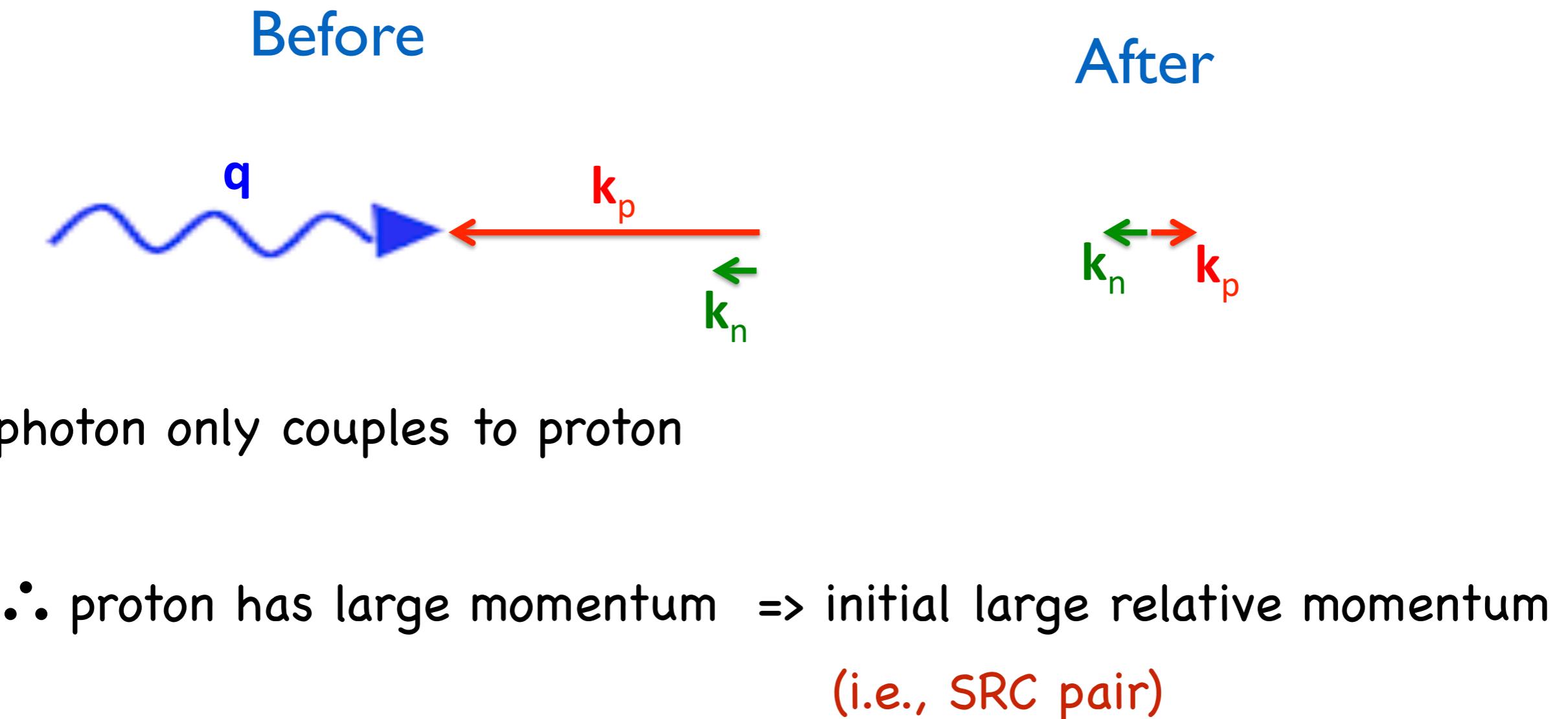
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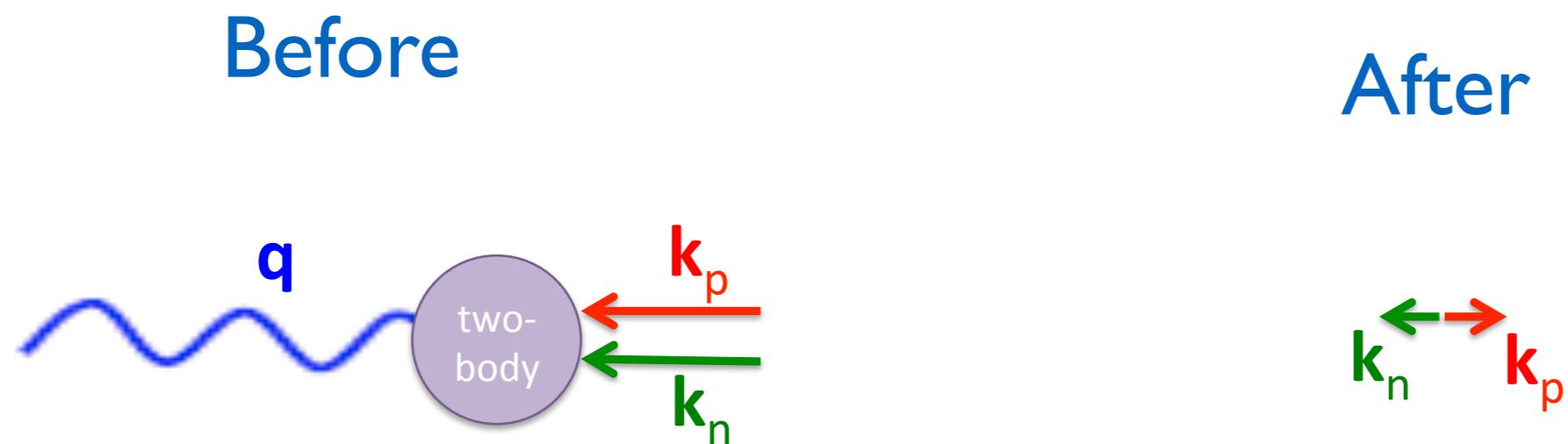
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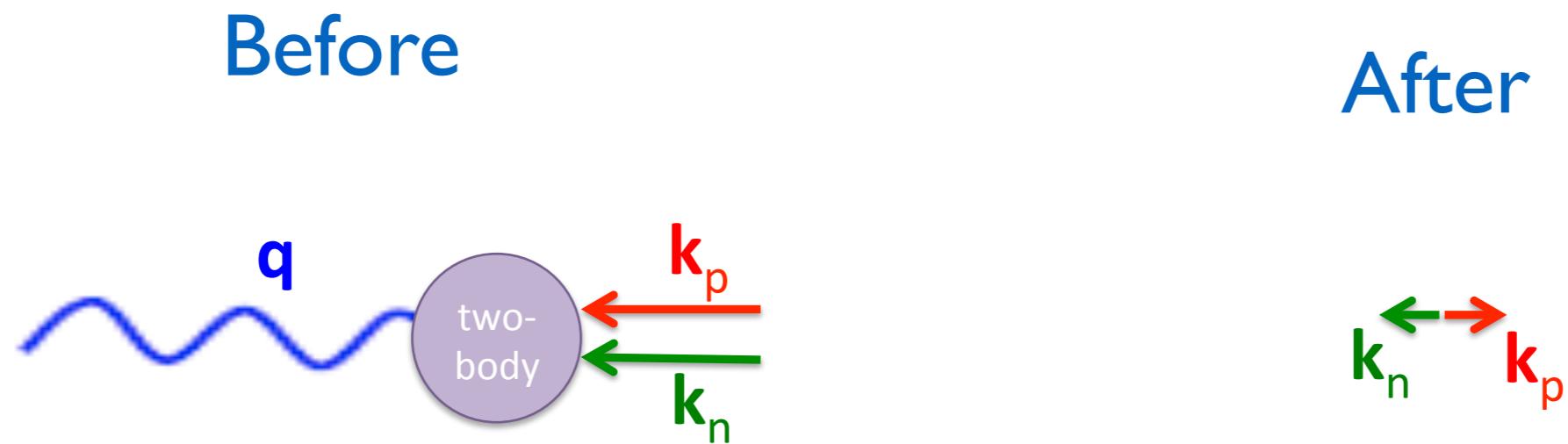
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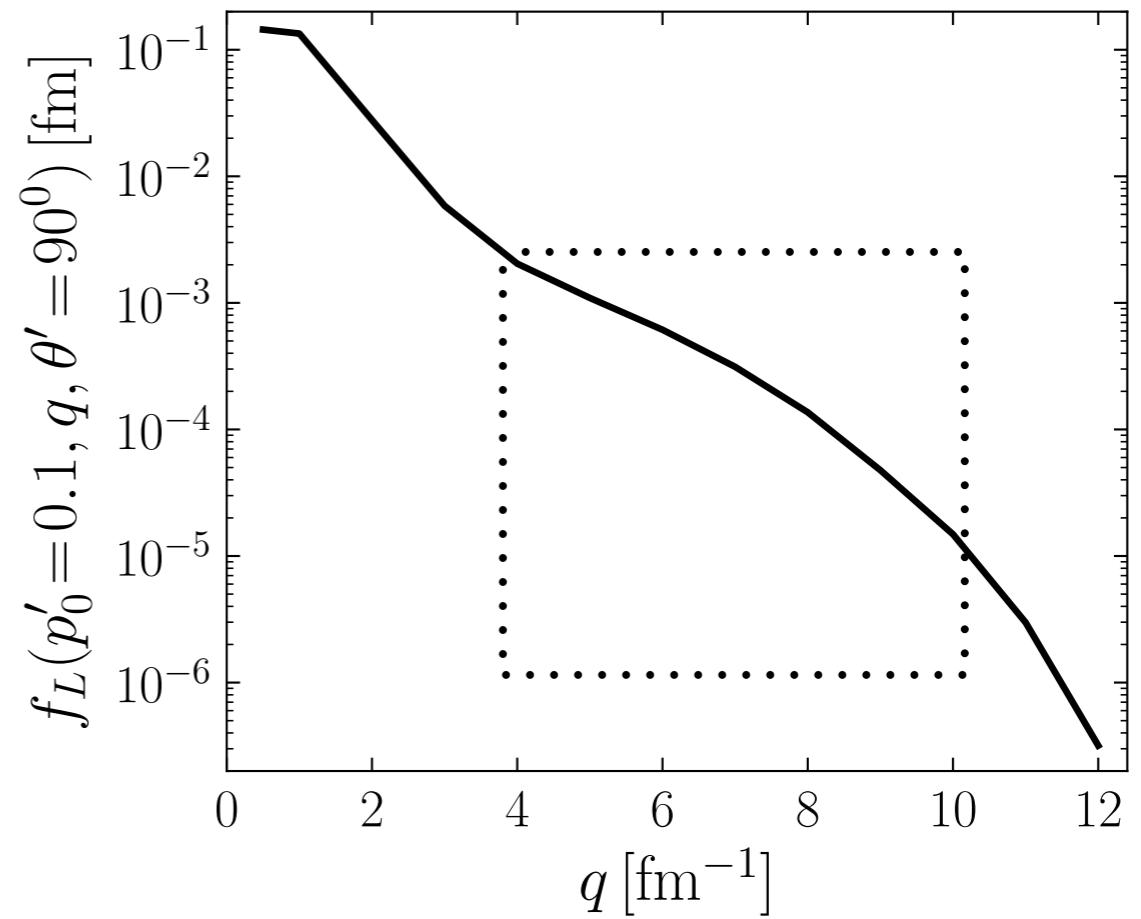
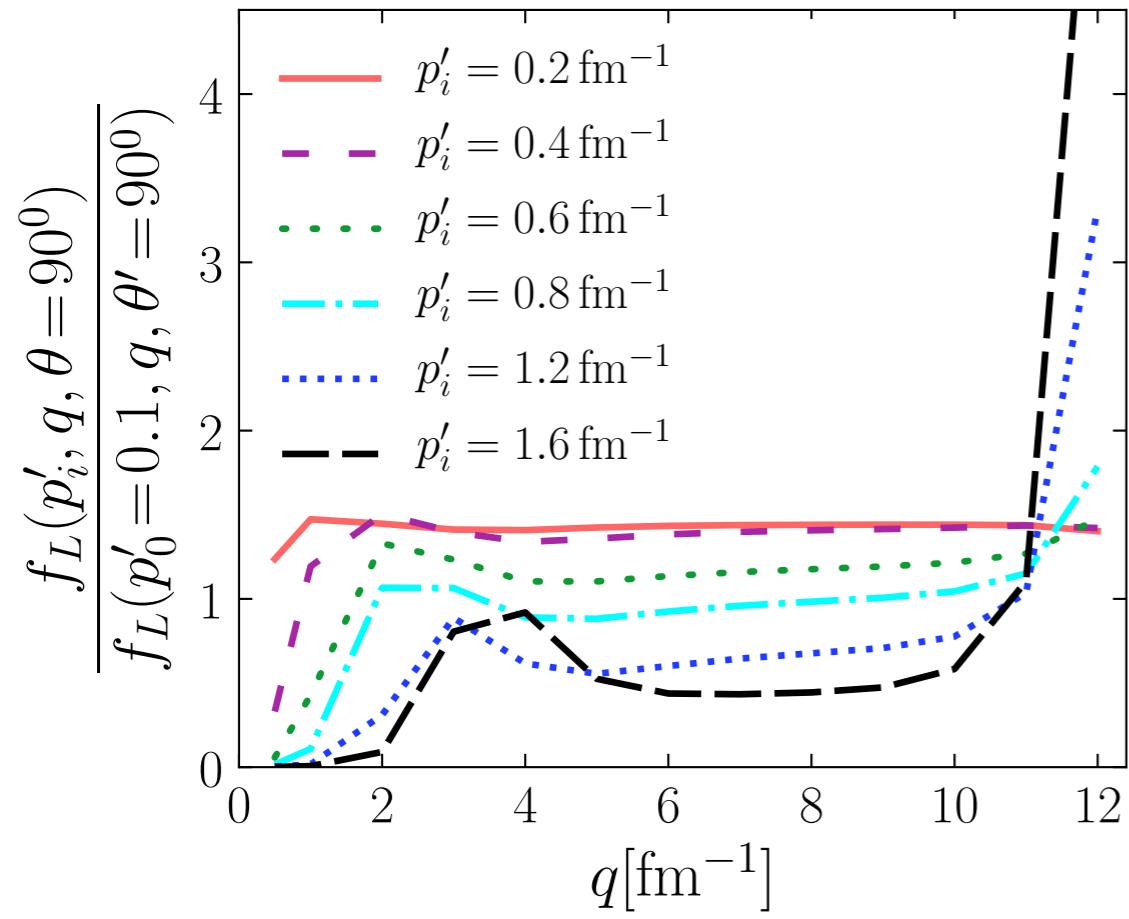


no large relative momentum in evolved deuteron wf

1-body current makes no contribution

\therefore 2-body current mostly stops the low-relative momentum np pair

Factorization of q-dependence



Low-resolution picture gives natural explanation of factorized q-dependence for $p' \ll \lambda \ll q$

$$\Delta J_0^\lambda(\mathbf{q}) \approx g_{\mathbf{q}} \delta(\mathbf{r})$$

q-dependence factorized into Wilson coefficient

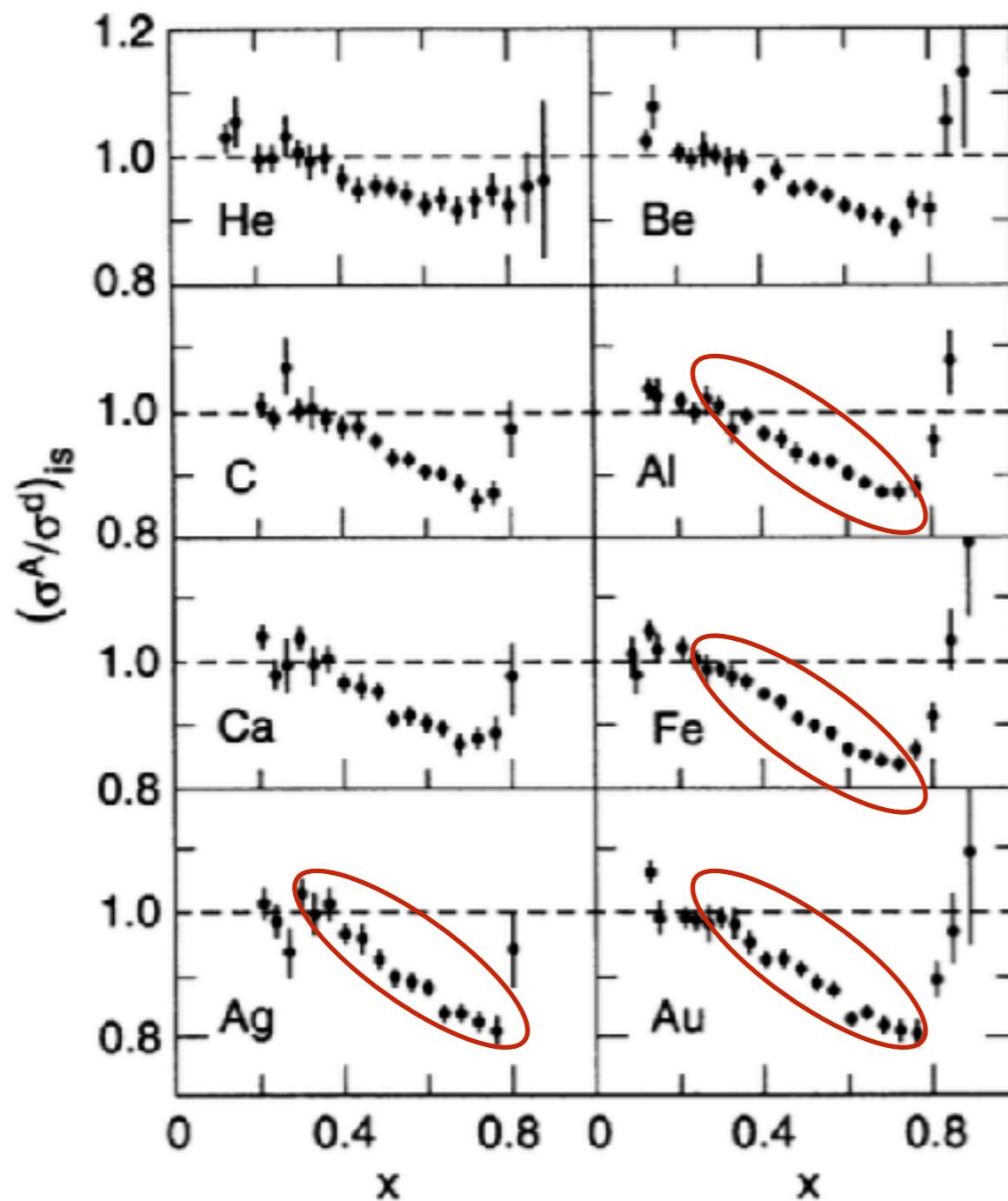
Running summary part2

- Interpretations (SRCs, components of nuclear wf's probed, etc.) of knockout reactions are necessarily scale-dependent
- Using RG to minimize FSI for given kinematics worth exploring
- Low-resolution theories can describe hard knockout reactions with surprising simplifications (smaller FSI, natural explanation of factorized q-dependence,...)

Scale dependence of short range correlations in medium-mass nuclei

EMC Effect

electron-nucleus DIS



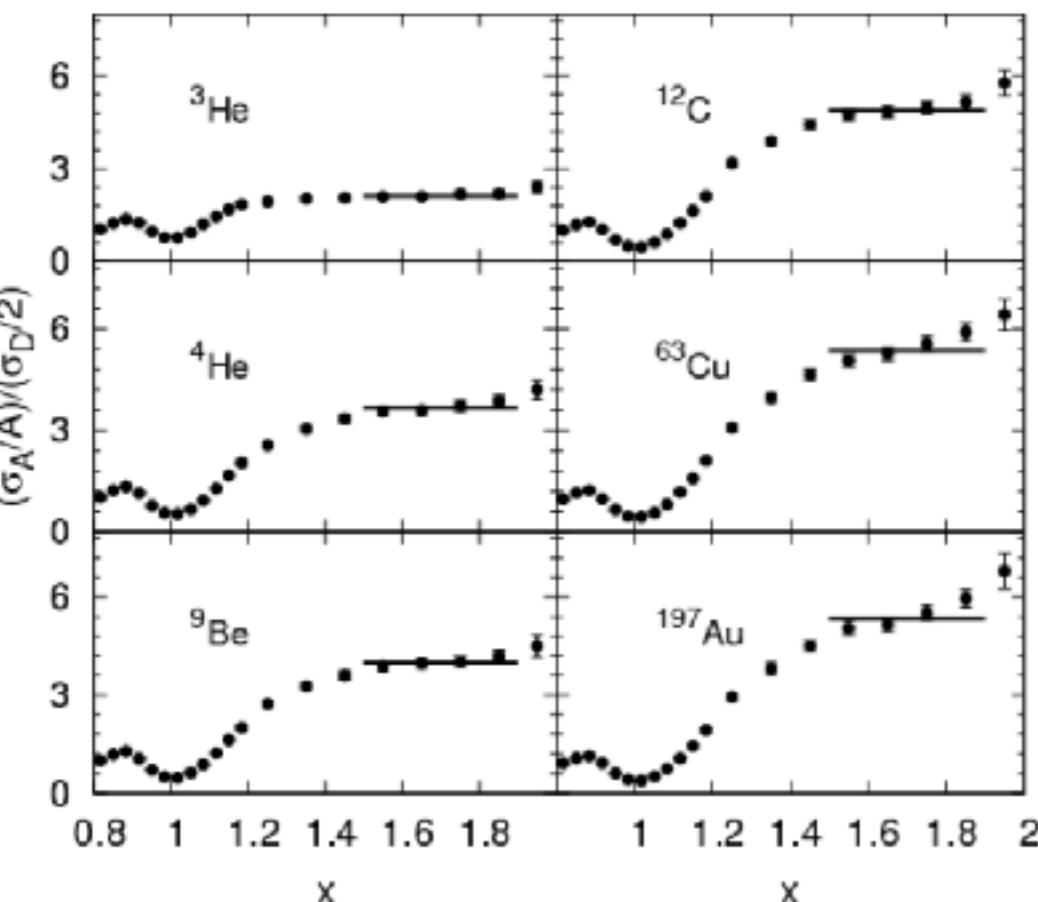
- Non-interacting limit ratio should be 1
- BE/A $\sim 1\%$ of M_N, Q
- 20% deviations from 1 = EMC effect

nucleon structure modified
in-medium

Slope used to quantify size of effect

Short-range correlations

Quasi-elastic ($e, e' 2N$)



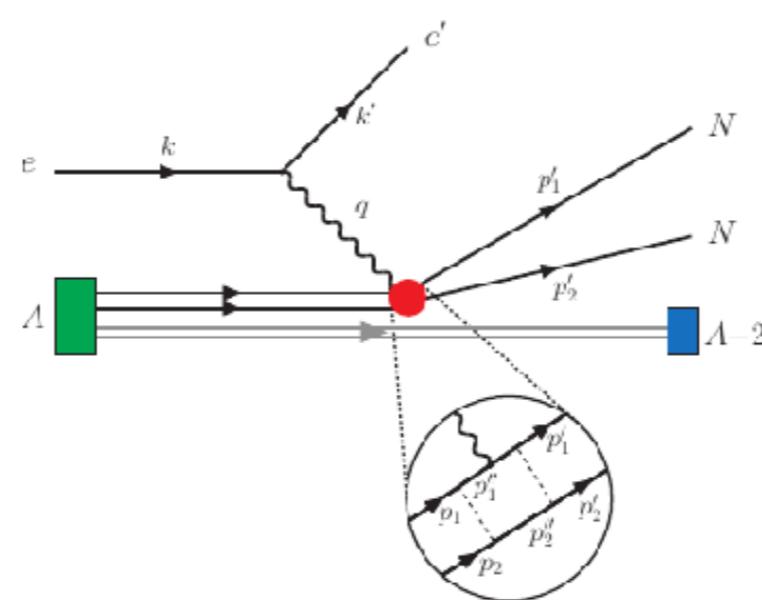
Fomin et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 108 (2012)

plateaus for $1.5 < x < 2.0$

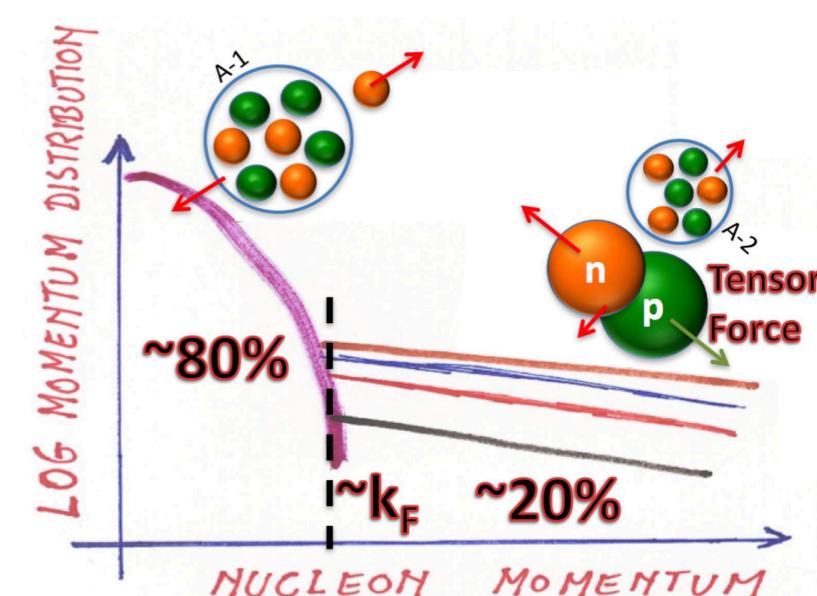
SRC interpretation:

NN interaction scatters pair $p_1, p_2 < k_F$ to intermediate-state momenta $\gg k_F$ which are then knocked out by photon

$$a_2(A) = \frac{2}{A} \frac{\sigma_A(x_B, Q^2)}{\sigma_d(x_B, Q^2)} \approx \frac{n_A(\mathbf{q} > k_F)}{n_d(\mathbf{q} > k_F)}$$

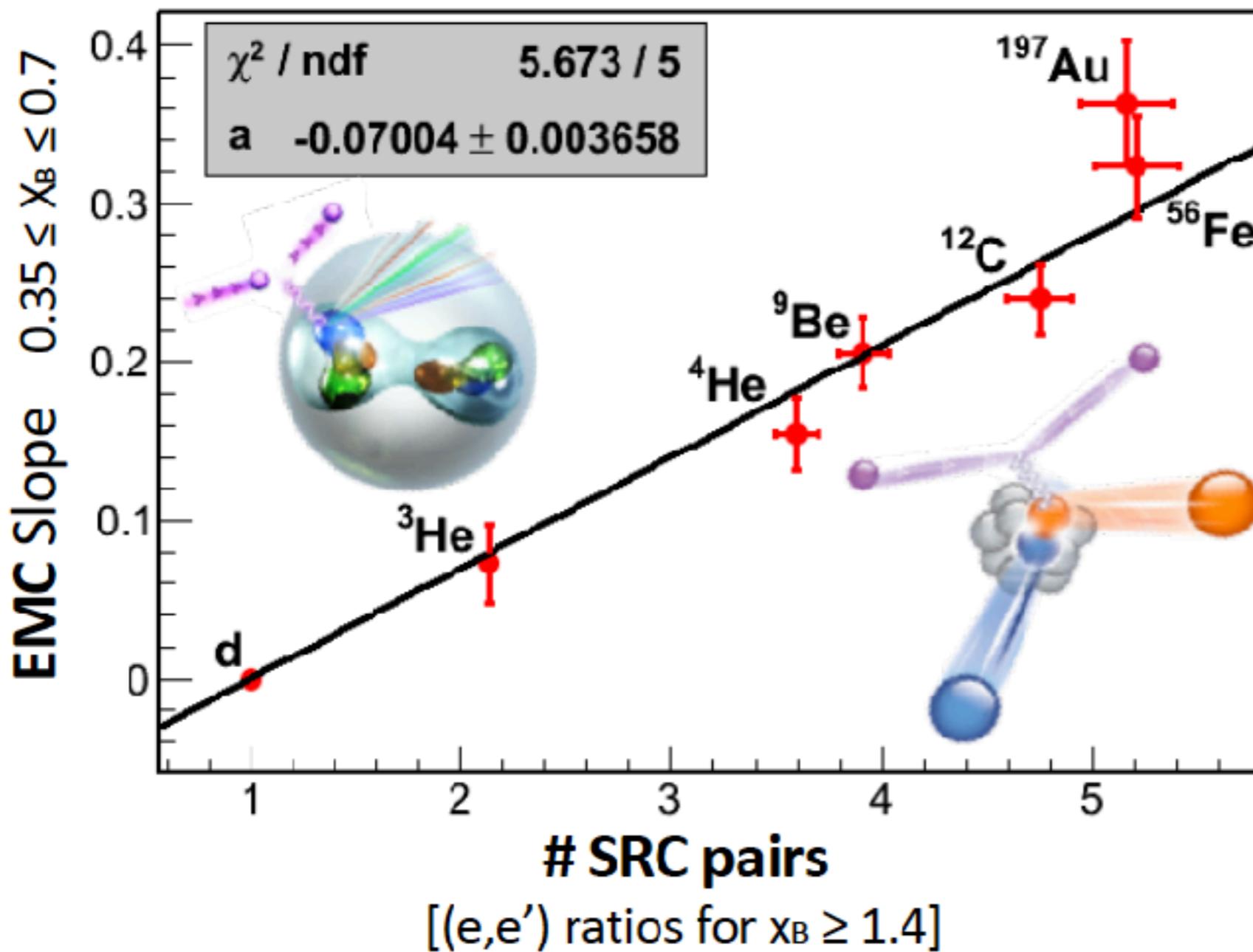


Hen et al., Rev. Mod. Phys. 89 (2017)



Empirical correlation of EMC effect

Hen et al., RMP (2017); Hen et al., IJMPB (2013); Hen et al., PRC (2012);
Weinstein, Piasetzky, Higinbotham, Gomez, Hen, and Shneor, PRL (2011).



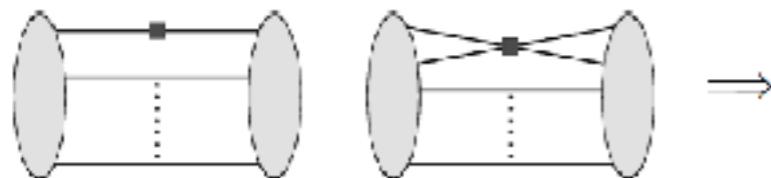
Why should 2 seemingly unrelated processes be linearly related?

EFT explanation

Chen and Detmold Phys. Lett. B 625 (2005)
Chen, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 119 (2017)



- Match isoscalar twist-2 quark operators to LO nucleon operators



$$\langle x^n \rangle_A(Q) \approx \langle x^n \rangle_N(Q) \left[A + \alpha_n(\Lambda) \langle A | : (N^\dagger N)^2 : | A \rangle \right] + \dots$$

DIS: $F_2^A(x, Q^2)/A \approx F_2^N(x, Q^2) + g_2(A, \Lambda) f_2(x, Q^2, \Lambda)$

$$g_2(A, \Lambda) = \frac{1}{2A} \langle A | : (N^\dagger N)^2 : | A \rangle_\Lambda$$

QES: $\sigma_A/A \approx \sigma_N + g_2(A, \Lambda) \sigma_2(\Lambda)$

$$a_2(A, 1 < x < 2) \approx \frac{g_2(A, \Lambda)}{g_2(2, \Lambda)}$$

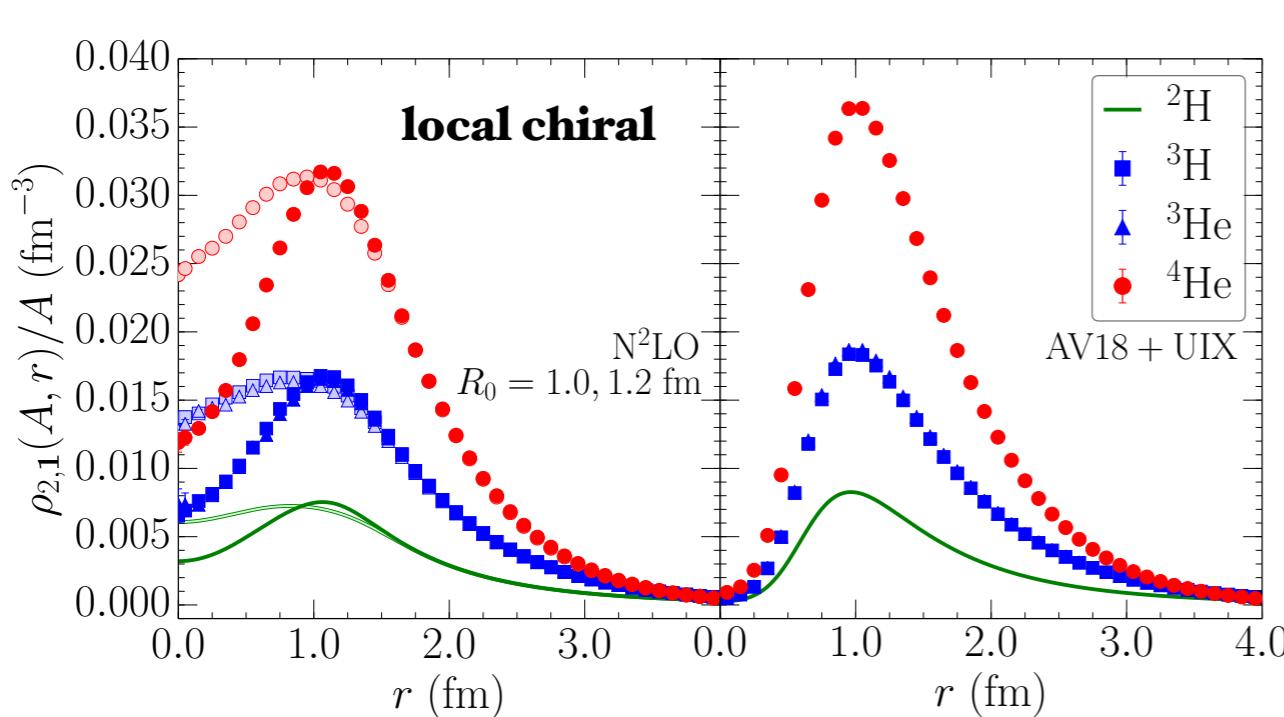
$$\frac{dR_{EMC}(A, x)}{dx} \approx C(x) [a_2(A) - 1]$$

scale dependence cancels in ratio!

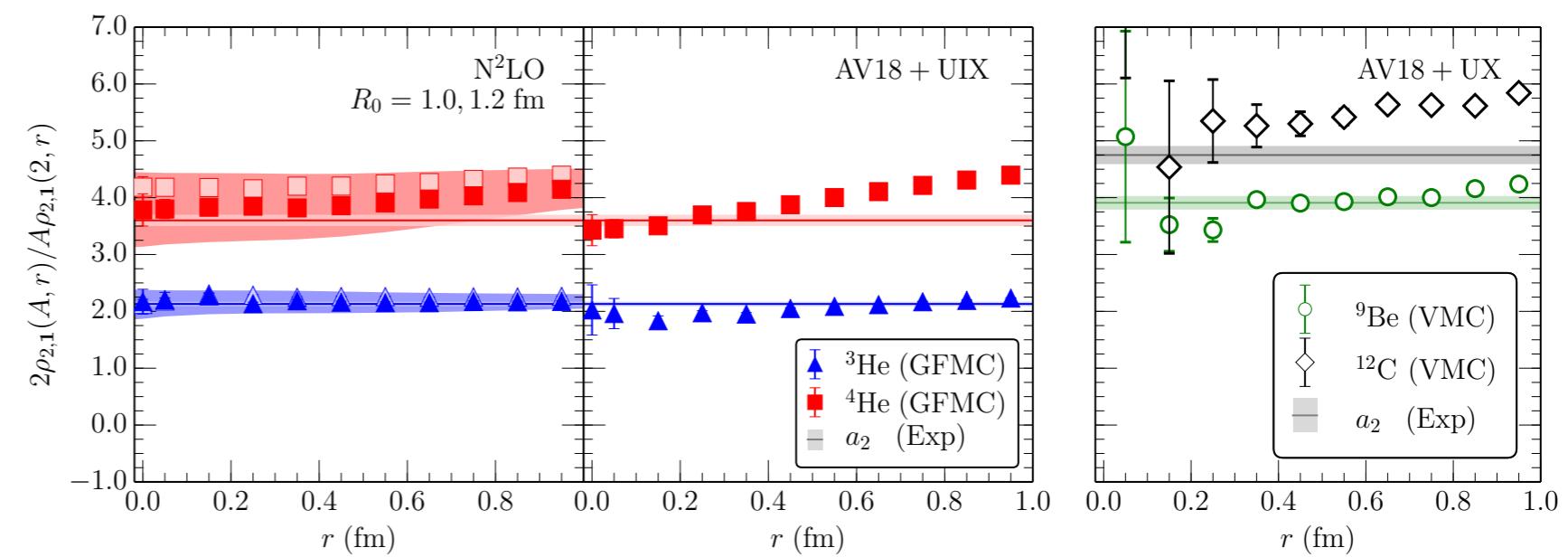
linear relation between EMC/SRC!

QMC results for a_2

Chen, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 119 (2017)



$$a_2(A) = \frac{2}{A} \frac{\rho_{2,1}(A, 0)}{\rho_{2,1}(2, 0)}$$

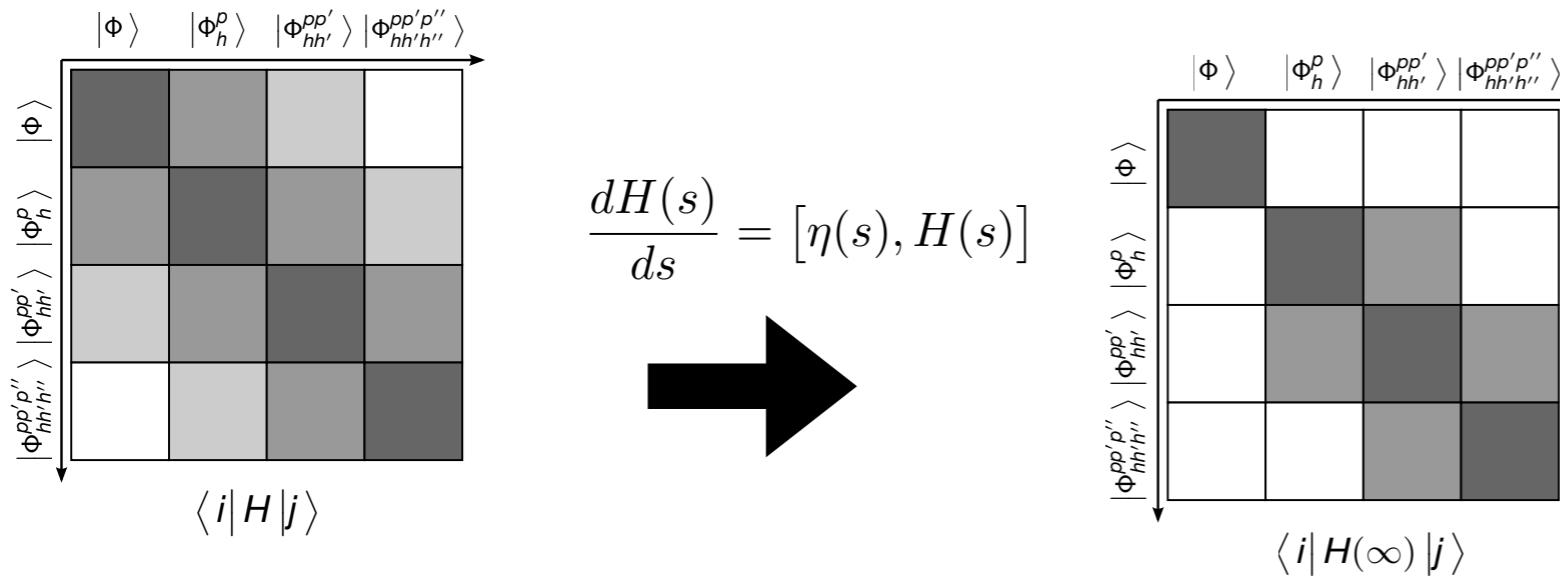


$$\rho_{2,1}(A, r) = \frac{1}{4\pi r^2} \langle \Psi | \sum_{i < j}^A \delta(r - |\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|) | \Psi \rangle$$

Scale and scheme dependent

...But ratio is \sim independent
of scale and scheme!!

IM-SRG(2) calculations of a_2



$$\frac{d\hat{\rho}_{21}(s)}{ds} = [\eta(s), \hat{\rho}_{21}(s)]$$

$$\hat{\rho}_{21}(s=0) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \int d\mathbf{R} N_\alpha^\dagger N_\beta^\dagger N_\beta N_\alpha$$

$$\langle \Psi_0 | \hat{\rho}_{21} | \Psi_0 \rangle = \langle \Phi | \hat{\rho}_{21}(\infty) | \Phi \rangle$$

Opportunities

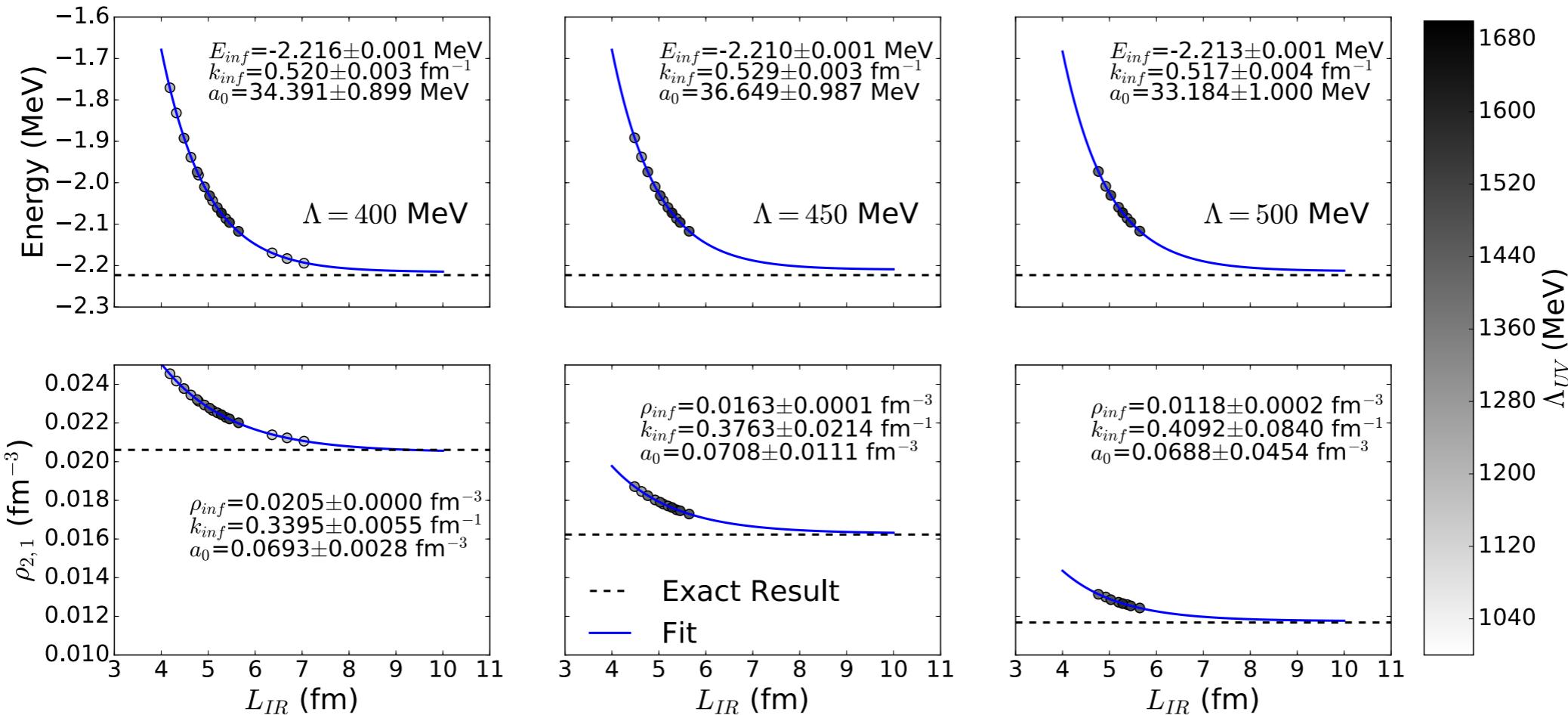
access heavier nuclei (here up to $A = 40$)
 access wider range of interactions**
 (not limited to local interactions)

Challenges

QMC cleanly extrapolates to $r = 0$
 (vs. implicit smearing due to truncated HO basis)
 impact of IM-SRG(2) truncation errors?

** here we use the semi-local n4lo NN interaction of Reinert, Krebs, and Epelbaum

IR extrapolations of $\rho_{2,1}$



Truncated HO basis ==> IR cutoff (box size L_{IR})
and UV cutoff

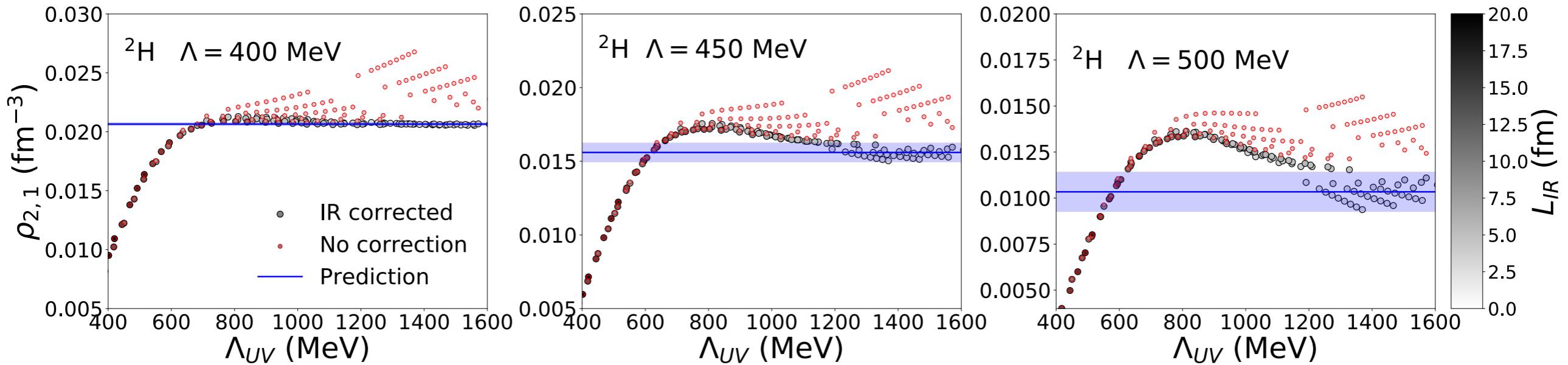
$$L_{IR} \sim \sqrt{2(2n + l)_{\max} + 3} b$$

$$\rho_{2,1}(L_{IR}) = \rho_{2,1}(\infty) + a_0 e^{-k_\infty L_{IR}}$$

$$\Lambda_{UV} \sim \sqrt{2(2n + l)_{\max} + 3} b^{-1}$$

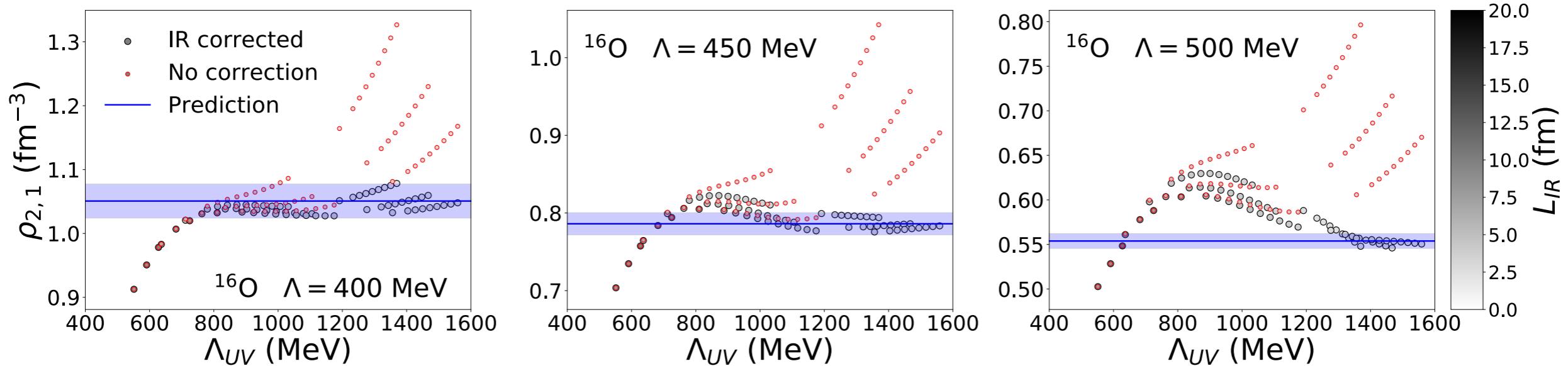
“motivated” by energy/radii formulae More et al. PRC87 (2013)

UV convergence of $\rho_{2,1}$



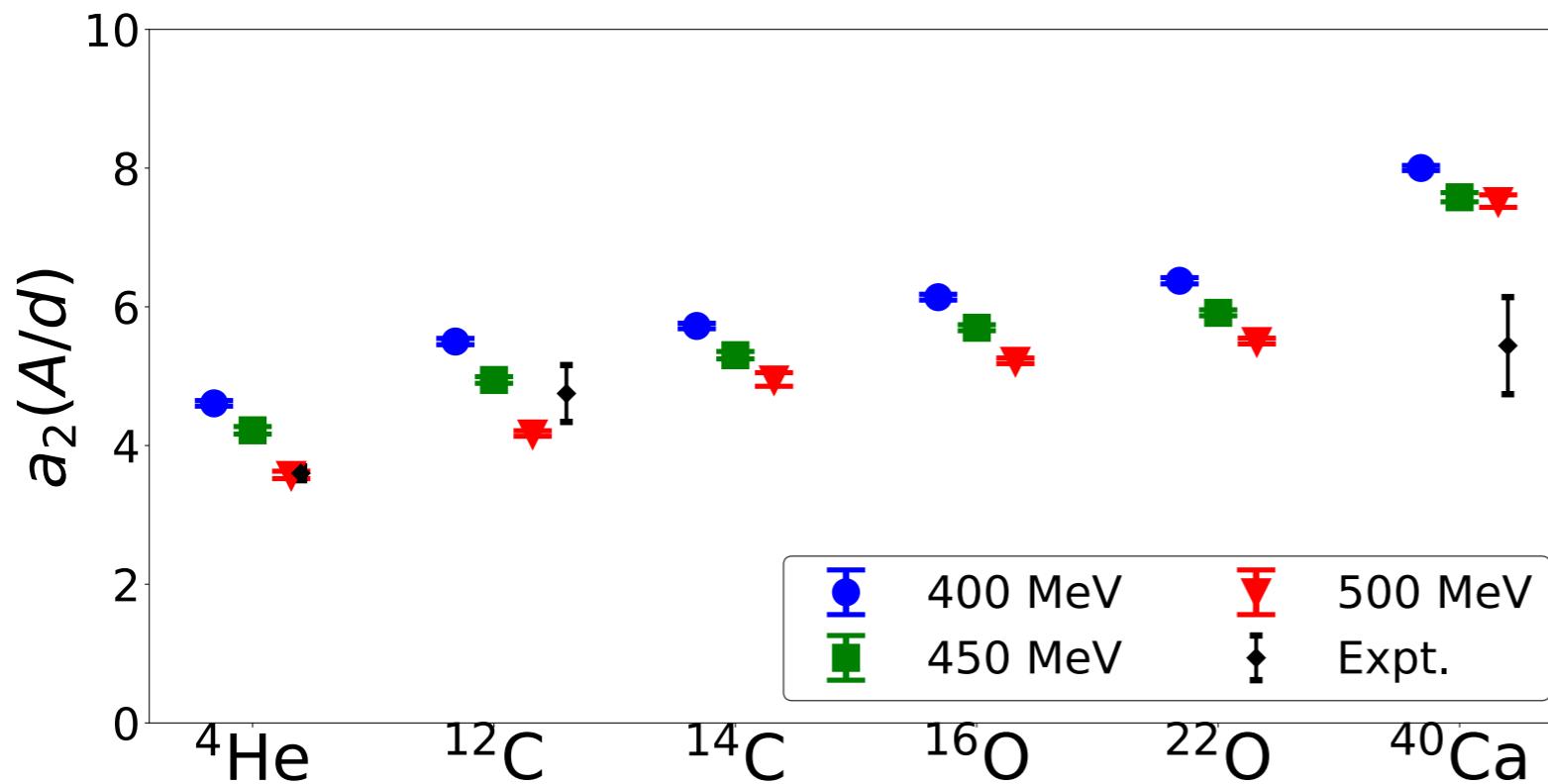
- No well-founded UV extrapolation formula
- UV convergence reasonable (**w/IR correction added**) for $\Lambda = 400, 450 \text{ MeV}$
- 500 MeV convergence not so nice

UV convergence of $\rho_{2,1}$



- No well-founded (yet) UV extrapolation formula
- UV convergence not as clean for $A > 2$, not fully understood

Results for a_2



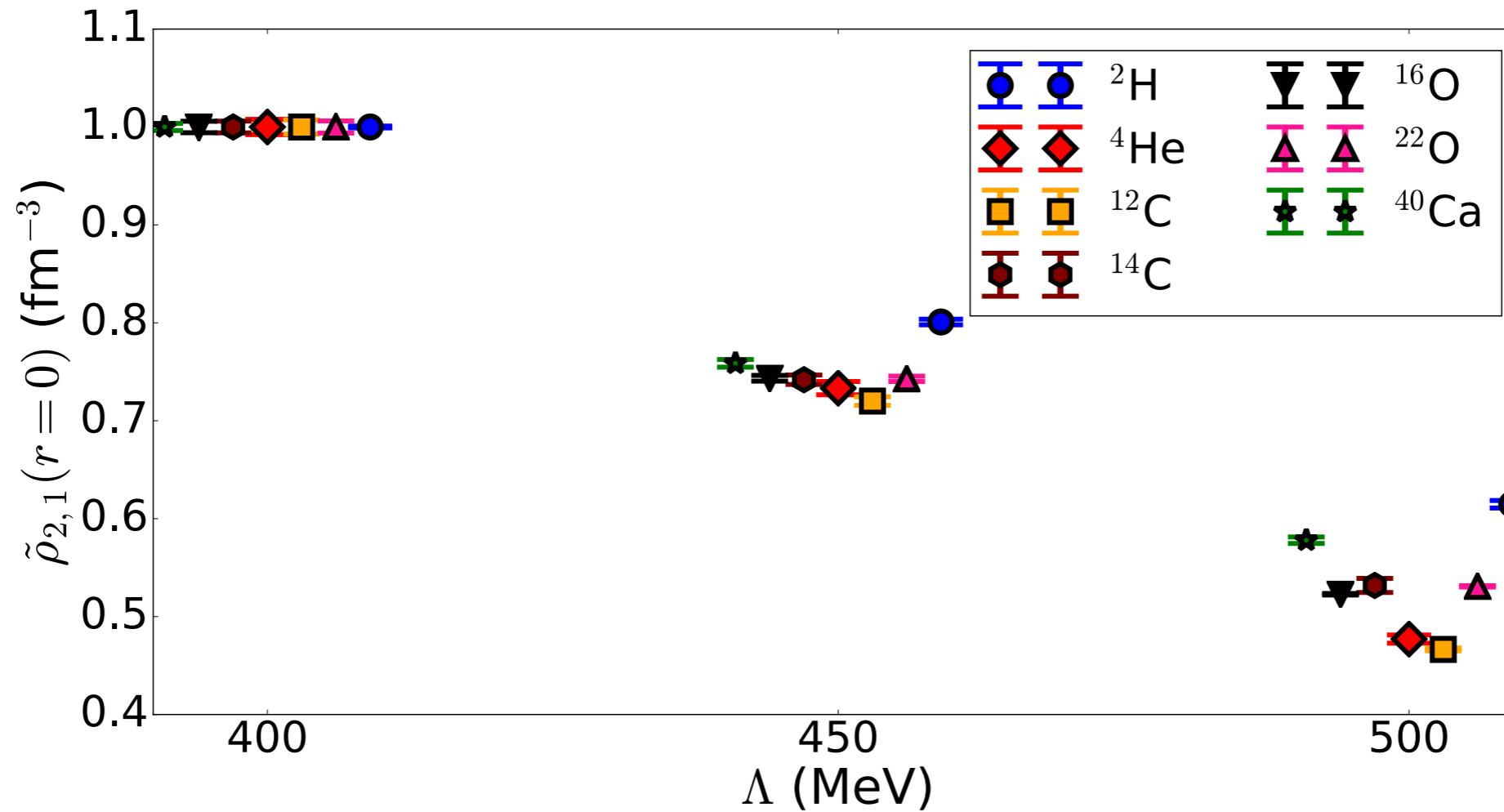
has IM-SRG(2) truncation errors

$$a_2(A/d) = \frac{2}{A} \frac{\rho_{21}(A)}{\rho_{21}(2)}$$

no many-body truncation errors (calculated in FCI)

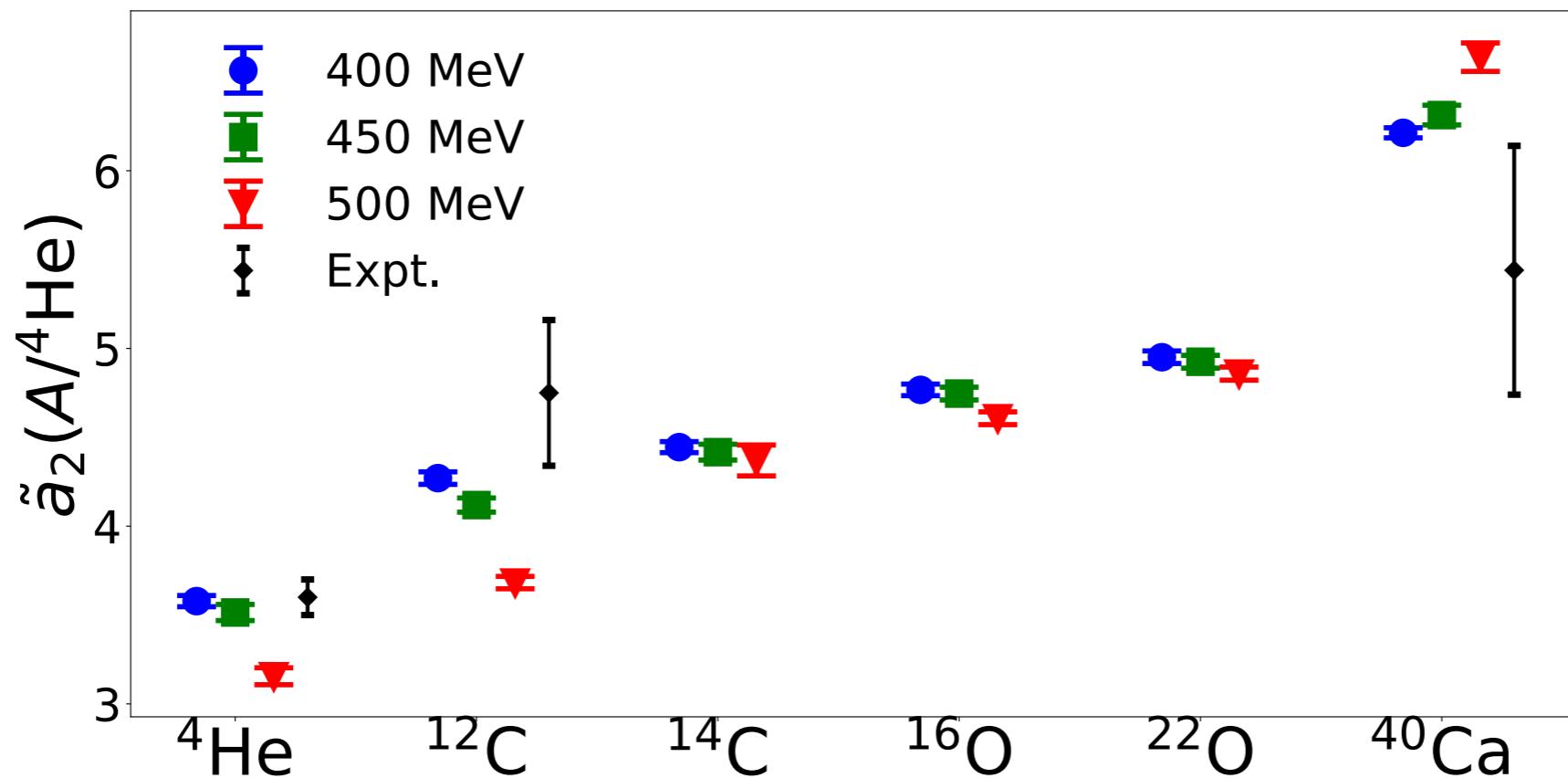
Need to disentangle UV/IR convergence and IM-SRG(2) truncation errors (and estimate EFT truncation error) before concluding if a_2 scale-independent

One possible hint



- ρ_{21} normalized to $\Lambda=400$. Different A-values should be equal
- A=2 systematically off from other A-values
- A=2 done in FCI, while A>2 in IM-SRG(2)
- Maybe better to normalize a_2 to ^4He instead ?

Results for a_2 (normalized to A=4)



Looks a little more systematic...

... but need better control on IR/UV convergence,
IM-SRG(2) truncation errors, etc. to
say more

Conclusions

- First IM-SRG calculations of SRC factor $a_2(A)$ carried out for closed-shell systems thru ^{40}Ca
- Results “not crazy” [reasonably scale-independent and close to experimental values], but much more work needed to disentangle systematics of IR/UV convergence and IM-SRG(2) truncation errors
- Near term todo list:
 - other EFT interactions (local, semi-local, non-local, different chiral orders, different cutoffs, etc.) and SRG-evolved ones to access wider range of resolution scales