

# High-Accuracy Analysis of Compton Scattering off Protons and Deuterons in Chiral EFT



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How do constituents of the nucleon react to external fields?  
How to reliably extract neutron and spin polarisabilities?



**Comprehensive Theory Effort:**  
hg, J. McGovern (Manchester), D. R. Phillips (Ohio U)  
[arXiv:1210.4104](https://arxiv.org/abs/1210.4104) (proton)

+ G. Feldman (GW): *Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys.* 67 (2012) 841

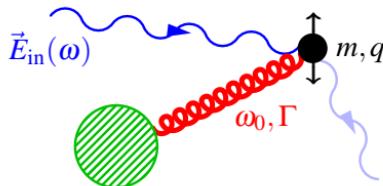
**Precursors:** Hildebrandt/Hemmert/Pasquini/hg...2000-05, ..., Beane/Malheiro/McGovern/Phillips/van Kolck 1999-2005;  
Choudhury/Shukla/Phillips 2005-08; Friar 1975, Arenhövel/Weyrauch 1980-83, Karakowski/Miller 1999, Levchuk/L'vov 1994-2000

# 1. Compton Scattering Explores Low-Energy Dynamics

## (a) Energy-Dependent (Dynamical) Polarisabilities

hg/Hemmert/+Hildebrandt/Pasquini 2002/03

Example: induced electric dipole radiation from harmonically bound charge, damping  $\Gamma$  Lorentz/Drude 1900/1905

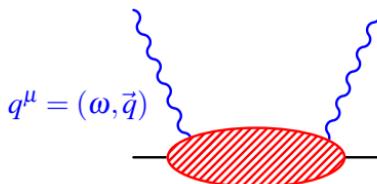


$$\vec{d}_{\text{ind}}(\omega) = \frac{q^2}{m} \underbrace{\frac{1}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2 - i\Gamma\omega}}_{=: 4\pi\alpha_{E1}(\omega)} \vec{E}_{\text{in}}(\omega)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{pol}} = 2\pi \left[ \underbrace{\alpha_{E1}(\omega) \vec{E}^2 + \beta_{M1}(\omega) \vec{B}^2}_{\text{electric, magnetic scalar dipole}} + \dots \right]$$

Energy- ( $\omega$ )-dependent multipole-decomposition dis-entangles scales, symmetries & mechanisms of interactions with & among constituents.

⇒ Clean, perturbative probe of  $\Delta(1232)$  properties, nucleon spin-constituents, chiral symmetry of pion-cloud & its breaking (proton-neutron difference).

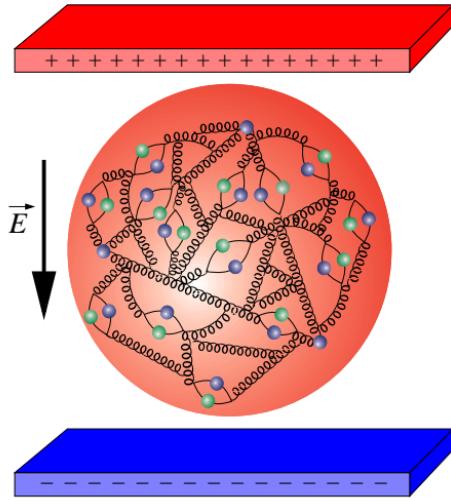


- proton ⇌ neutron iso-spin breaking:  
⇒ elmag. p-n self-energy difference from  $\beta_{M1}^p - \beta_{M1}^n$  Walker-Loud/... 2012
- $2\gamma$  contribution to Lamb shift in muonic H ( $\beta_{M1}$ )

## (b) Towards Polarisabilities from First Principles: Lattice QCD

**Pioneering:** Quenched, chiral fermions

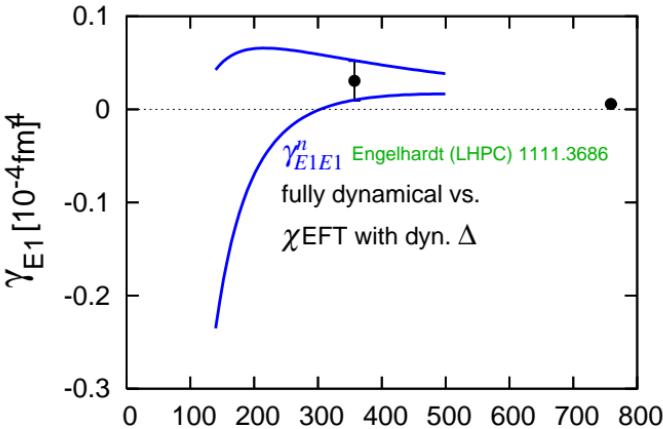
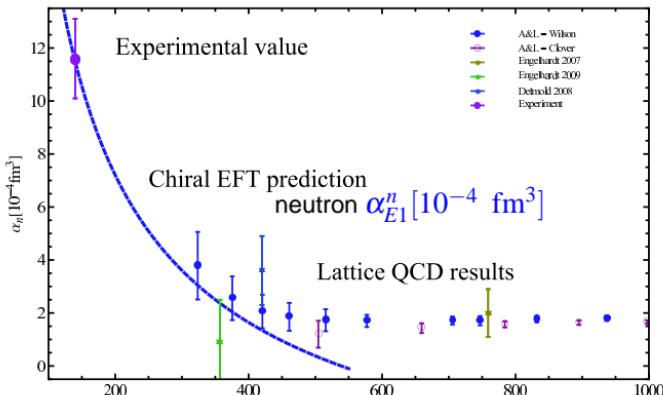
Lee/Zhou/Wilcox/Christensen 2005-06



**Ongoing:**

spin-polarisabilities, unquenching,  
 $m_\pi \searrow 200$  MeV, larger volumes,  
 more statistics,...

Lee... 2005-, LHPC 2006-, Detmold/Tiburzi/Walker-Loud 2006-



# (c) Separation of Scales: Effective Field Theory from QCD

Wilson, Weinberg, ...

Theory of **strong interactions**: Quantum Chromo Dynamics **QCD**

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \bar{\Psi}_q [i \not{d} + g \not{A} - m_q] \Psi_q - \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu}$$

$\implies$  Effective low-energy degrees of freedom: Nucleons, Pions,  $\Delta(1232)$

**Systematic ordering** in  $Q = \frac{\text{typ. momentum } \sim m_\pi}{\text{breakdown scale } \sim 1 \text{ GeV}} \approx \frac{1}{5\dots7}$

**Controlled approximation:** model-independent, error-estimate.

$$\mathcal{L}_{\chi\text{EFT}} = (D_\mu \pi^a)(D^\mu \pi^a) - m_\pi^2 \pi^a \pi^a + \dots$$

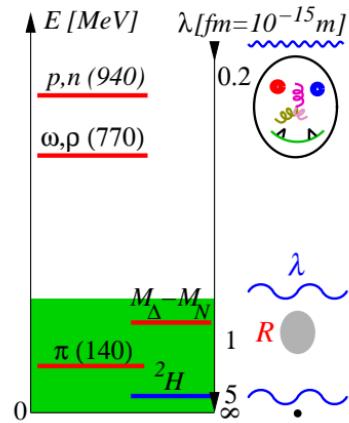
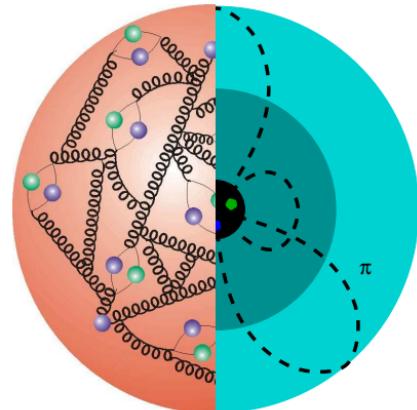
$$+ N^\dagger [i D_0 + \frac{\vec{D}^2}{2M} + \frac{g_A}{2f_\pi} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{D} \pi + \dots] N + C_0 \left( N^\dagger N \right)^2 + H_0 \left( N^\dagger N \right)^3 + \dots$$

**Correct long-range Physics** + all interactions allowed by **symmetries**.

**Short-range:** encode ignorance into minimal parameter-set at given order.

- gauge, Lorentz, iso-spin, ... symmetries
- **chiral**: pions light & weakly coupled: Goldstone bosons of Chiral SSB

$\implies$  **Chiral Effective Field Theory**  $\chi\text{EFT} \equiv$  low-energy **QCD**



## 2. One Nucleon

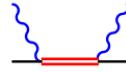
### (a) Including the $\Delta(1232)$ in $\chi$ EFT

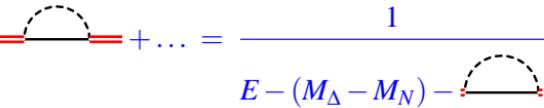
$\Delta(1232)$  lowest hadronic excitation above 1-pion threshold  $m_\pi$ , below  $\chi$ EFT breakdown scale  $\Lambda_\chi \approx 1000$  MeV

$$\implies \text{Expand in } \delta = \frac{M_\Delta - M_N}{\Lambda_\chi} \approx \sqrt{\frac{m_\pi}{\Lambda_\chi}} = \frac{p_{\text{typ}}}{\Lambda_\chi} \ll 1 \text{ (numerical fact)} \text{ Pascalutsa/Phillips 2002 and } \frac{\omega}{\Lambda_\chi}.$$

Low régime  $\omega \lesssim m_\pi \implies \omega \sim \delta^2$

High régime  $\omega \sim M_\Delta - M_N \sim 300$  MeV  $\implies \omega \sim \delta^1$

$$\omega \rightarrow M_\Delta - M_N: \Delta \text{ propagator enhanced}$$

$$\propto \frac{1}{\omega - (M_\Delta - M_N)} \sim \frac{1}{\delta^3}$$

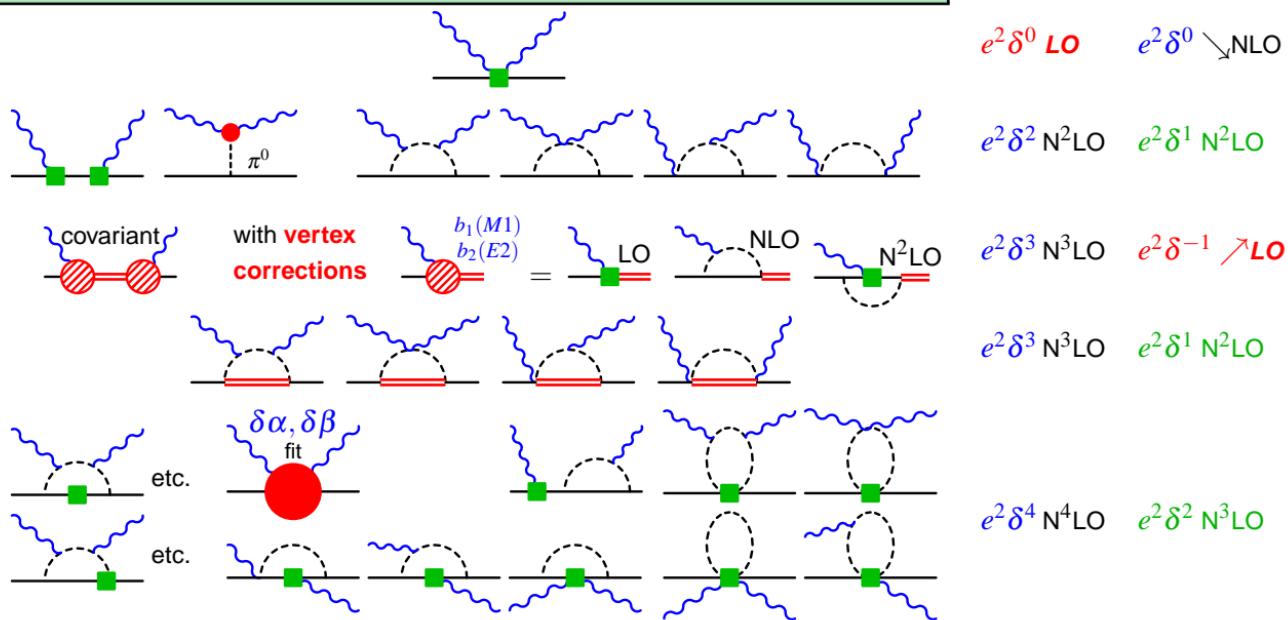
$$\implies \text{Re-order \& dress } \text{---} \rightarrow \text{---} + \text{---} + \dots = \frac{1}{E - (M_\Delta - M_N) - \text{---}} + \text{relativity}$$


Probe non-zero  $\Delta$  width,  $M1$  and  $E2$  transition strengths.

## (b) All Contributions

Bernard/Kaiser/Meißner 1994, Hemmert/... 1998  
 hg/Hemmert/Hildebrandt/Pasquini 2003, McGovern 2001  
 McGovern/Phillips/hg 2012

Low régime  $\omega \lesssim m_\pi \sim \delta^2 \iff$  High régime  $\omega \sim M_\Delta - M_N \sim \delta^1 \approx 300$  MeV



Unified Amplitude: gauge & RG invariant set of all contributions which are

in low régime  $\omega \lesssim m_\pi$  at least N<sup>4</sup>LO ( $e^2\delta^4$ ): accuracy  $\delta^5 \lesssim 2\%$ ;  
 or in high régime  $\omega \sim M_\Delta - M_N$  at least NLO ( $e^2\delta^0$ ): accuracy  $\delta^2 \lesssim 20\%$ .

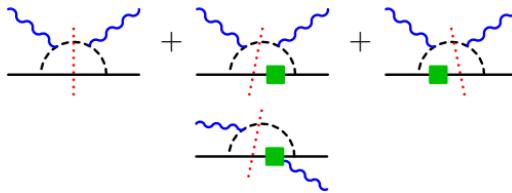
Unknowns:  $\delta\alpha, \delta\beta \iff \alpha_{E1}, \beta_{M1}, \gamma N\Delta$  strengths  $b_1(M1), b_2(E2)$

**Watson's Theorem:**  $\text{Re}[\text{Amplitude}] = 0$  at resonance peak by unitarity.

⇒ Unified Amplitude must contain additional pieces:

$\pi N$  loops

$N^2\text{LO}, N^4\text{LO}$  for  $\omega \sim m_\pi$



order for

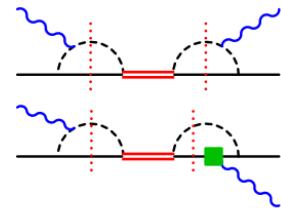
$\omega \sim M_\Delta - M_N$

$e^2 \delta^1 N^2\text{LO}$

$e^2 \delta^2 N^3\text{LO}$

$\gamma \Delta N$  vertex corrections

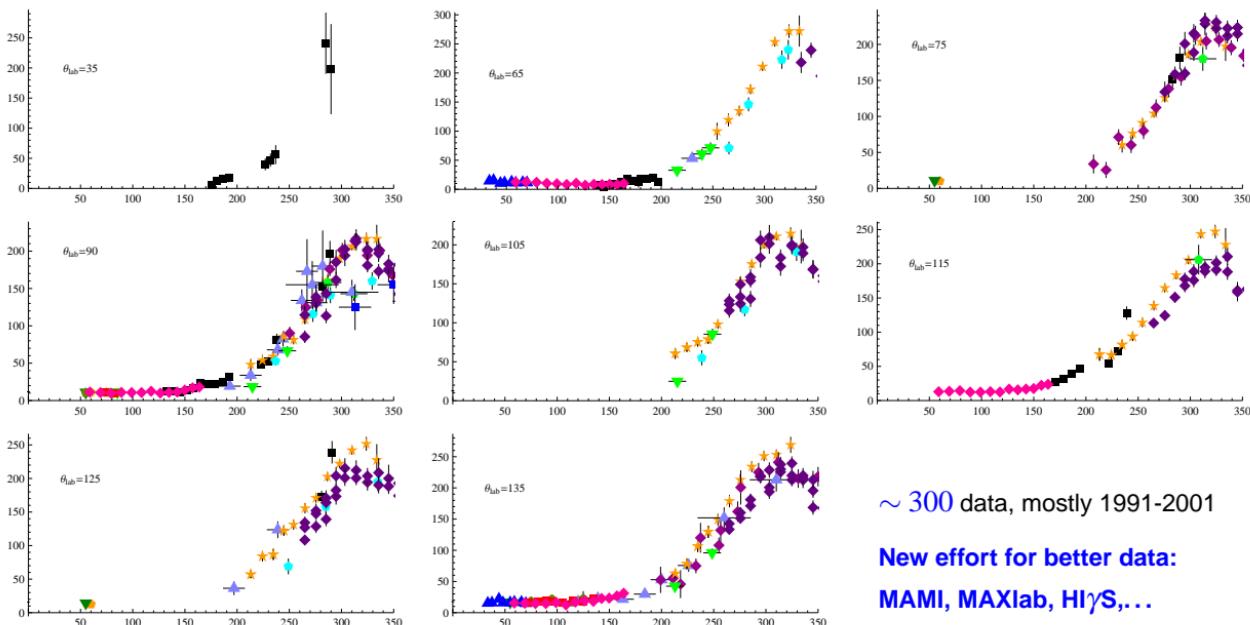
$N^7\text{LO}, N^9\text{LO}$  for  $\omega \sim m_\pi$



⇒ Keep these vertex corrections, albeit higher-order everywhere; check.

## (d) Creating a Consistent Proton Compton Database

hg/McGovern/Phillips/Feldman PPNP 2012



$\sim 300$  data, mostly 1991-2001

New effort for better data:

MAMI, MAXlab, H1 $\gamma$ S,...

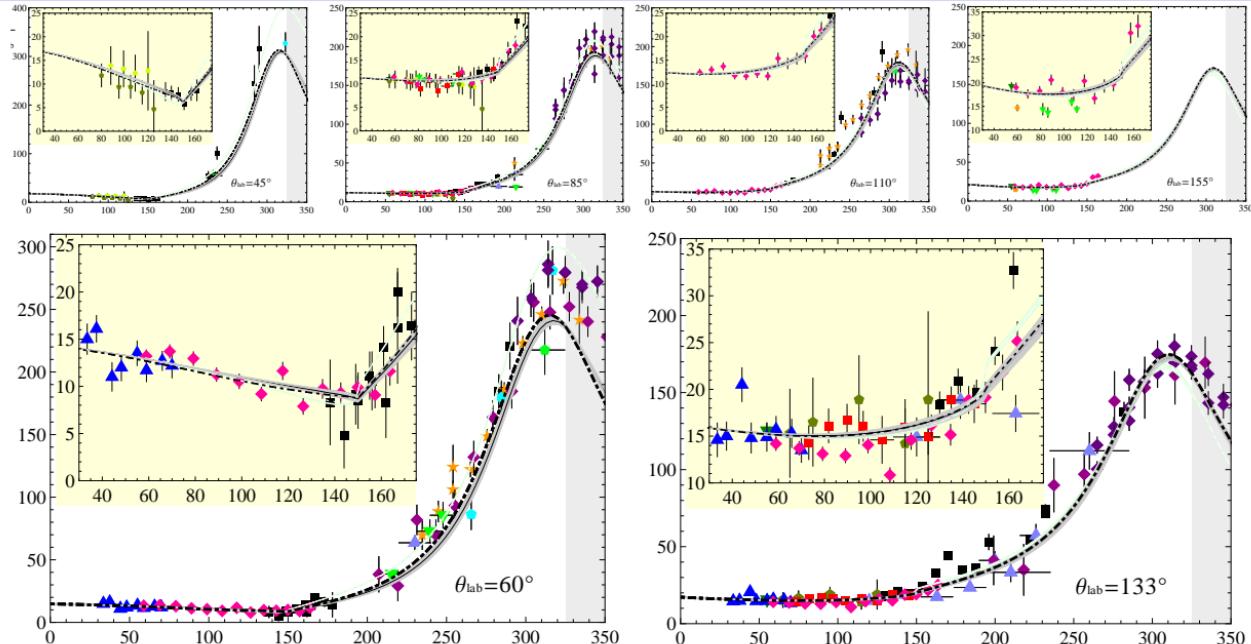
Gaps for:  $\omega \in [160; 250]$  MeV;  $\theta \rightarrow 0^\circ$ : Baldin check;  $\theta \rightarrow 180^\circ$  for  $\Delta(1232)$ !

Small quoted systematics  $\implies$  tensions: MAMI vs. LEGS, but also others  $\implies$  no  $\frac{\chi^2}{\text{d.o.f.}} \approx 1$  without pruning.

**Not more, but more reliable data needed for unpolarised proton.**

# (e) Polarisabilities from Consistent Database

McGovern/Phillips/hg 2012  
database: +Feldman PPNP 2012



> 200 MeV:  $\Delta$  fix  $b_2/b_1 = -0.34$  Vanderhaeghen/  
Pascalutsa 2006, fit  $b_1 = 3.61 \pm 0.02$ ;  $\Rightarrow$  < 170 MeV: polarisabilities

$$\alpha_{E1}^p [10^{-4} \text{ fm}^3]$$

$$\beta_{M1}^p [10^{-4} \text{ fm}^3]$$

$$\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.}$$

Baldin constrained

$$\alpha_{E1}^p + \beta_{M1}^p = 13.8 \pm 0.4$$

$$10.7 \pm 0.4_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.2_{\Sigma} \pm 0.3_{\text{theory}}$$

$$3.1 \pm 0.4_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.2_{\Sigma} \pm 0.3_{\text{theory}}$$

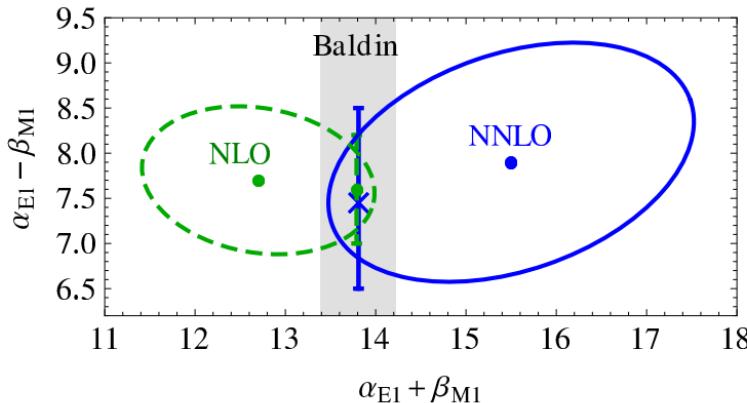
$$113.2/135$$

## (f) Fit Discussion: Parameters and Uncertainties

McGovern/Phillips/hg 2012

**Fit to  $\alpha, \beta$  only:** Combined  $\pi N$  loops and  $\Delta$  pushes intermed. angles too high.

⇒ Must also fit  $\gamma_{M1M1} \approx 2.2 \pm 0.5_{\text{stat}}$  for good  $\chi^2$ , fwd. spin-polarisability  $\gamma_0^p \approx -1$  (cf. Disp. Rel.).



1 $\sigma$ -contours

N<sup>2</sup>LO marginalised over  $\gamma_{M1M1}$

Consistent with Baldin  $\Sigma$  Rule

$$\alpha_{E1} + \beta_{M1} = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int_{v_0}^{\infty} dv \frac{\sigma(\gamma p \rightarrow X)}{v^2}$$

= 13.8 ± 0.4 Olmos de Leon 2001

need more forward data to constrain.

**Fit Stability:** floating norms within exp. sys. uncertainties; vary dataset,  $b_1$ , vertex dressing,...

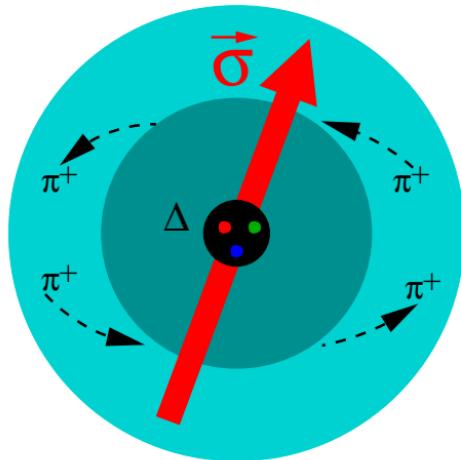
**Residual Theoretical Uncertainty** from convergence pattern:  $\delta^2 \approx \frac{1}{6}$  of LO→NLO change  $\delta(\alpha - \beta) = 3.5$

	$\alpha_{E1}^p [10^{-4} \text{ fm}^3]$	$\beta_{M1}^p [10^{-4} \text{ fm}^3]$	$\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.}$
LO parameter-free Bernard/Kaiser/Meißner 1994	12.5	1.25	no fit

N <sup>2</sup> LO Baldin constrained $\alpha_{E1}^p + \beta_{M1}^p = 13.8 \pm 0.4$	$10.7 \pm 0.4_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.2_{\Sigma} \pm 0.3_{\text{theory}}$	$3.1 \pm 0.4_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.2_{\Sigma} \pm 0.3_{\text{theory}}$	113.2/135
Olmos de Leon 2001	$12.1 \pm 1.2_{\text{stat+model}} \pm 0.4_{\Sigma}$	$1.6 \pm 1.2_{\text{stat+model}} \pm 0.4_{\Sigma}$	

## (g) Spin-Polarisabilities: Nucleonic Bi-Refringence and Faraday Effect

**Optical Activity:** Response of **spin-degrees of freedom**, experimentally untested.



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{pol}} = 4\pi N^\dagger \times$$

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left[ \alpha_{E1}(\omega) \vec{E}^2 + \beta_{M1}(\omega) \vec{B}^2 \right] \right. \quad \text{scalar dipole}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \left[ \gamma_{E1E1}(\omega) \vec{\sigma} \cdot (\vec{E} \times \dot{\vec{E}}) + \gamma_{M1M1}(\omega) \vec{\sigma} \cdot (\vec{B} \times \dot{\vec{B}}) \right] \quad \text{"pure" spin-dependent dipole}$$

$$- 2 \gamma_{M1E2}(\omega) \sigma_i B_j E_{ij} + 2 \gamma_{E1M2}(\omega) \sigma_i E_j B_{ij} \left. \right] \quad \text{"mixed" spin-dependent dipole}$$

$$+ \dots \left. \right\} N \quad \text{quadrupole etc.}$$

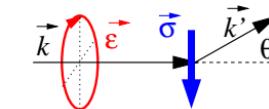
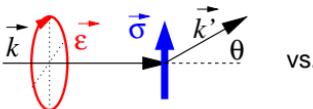
$$E_{ij} := \frac{1}{2}(\partial_i E_j + \partial_j E_i) \text{ etc.}$$

## (h) Spin-Polarisabilities from Circular-Polarised Photon

$\mathcal{O}(e^2 \delta^3)$ : hg/Hildebrandt/... 2003  
 $\mathcal{O}(e^2 \delta^4)$ : hg/McGovern in prep.  
 exp: MAMI 2011-

**Proton Best:** Incoming  $\gamma$  circularly polarised, sum over final states.  $N$ -spin in  $(\vec{k}, \vec{k}')$ -plane, perpendicular to  $\vec{k}$ :

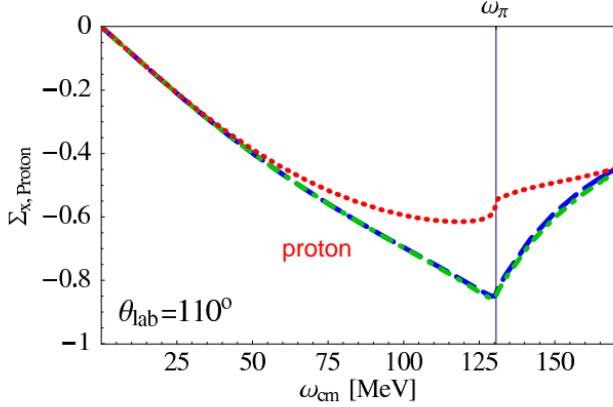
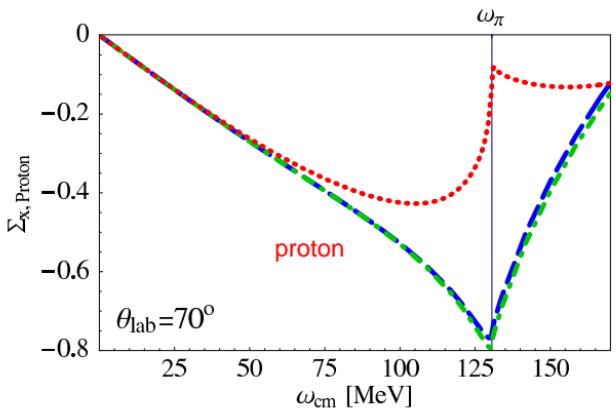
$$\Sigma_x = \frac{(\uparrow\rightarrow) - (\uparrow\leftarrow)}{(\uparrow\rightarrow) + (\uparrow\leftarrow)}$$



— dashed blue: full  $N\pi + \Delta$

..... no  $\gamma_i$ 's

..... no  $l \geq 2$



– Dominated by structure

– Clear  $\gamma_i$ -dep.

– Higher pols negligible

– HIγS?

Also good signal for linear polarisations.

### 3. The Other Nucleon

#### (a) Iso-Vector Polarisabilities

Proton-neutron difference  $\alpha_{E1}^v := \alpha_{E1}^p - \alpha_{E1}^n$  etc. probes details:

Explicit chiral-symmetry-breaking in pion-cloud, . . . , elmag. p-n self-energy difference  $[0 \pm 1]$  MeV  $\propto \beta_{M1}^p - \beta_{M1}^n$

**Appears** only in NLO  $\chi$ EFT; compatible with  $\approx \frac{1}{10}$ th of iso-scalar polarisabilities in Dispersion Relations.

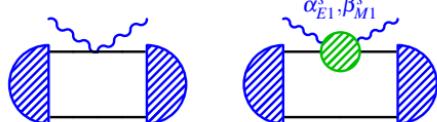
No free neutron targets  $\implies \chi$ EFT for model-independent subtraction of nuclear binding.

## (b) Deuteron Compton Scattering at $\omega = 0 \dots 200$ MeV

Hildebrandt/hg/Hemmert 2005-10, hg 2012

One-body: electric, magnetic moment couplings

$$\omega \sim \frac{Q^2}{M} \approx 20 \text{ MeV} \quad \omega \sim Q \approx 100 \text{ MeV}$$



LO, N<sup>3</sup>LO

LO, ↗ NLO



LO

2N correlated

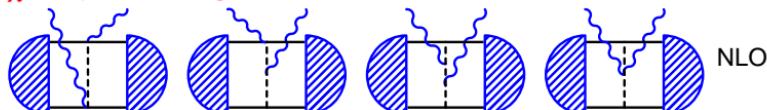
$$\frac{i}{B_d \pm \omega - \frac{q^2}{M}}$$

↘ NLO, N<sup>3</sup>LO

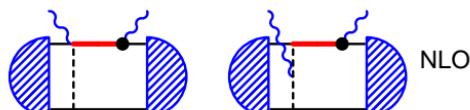
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$\chi$ EFT pion-exchange currents:

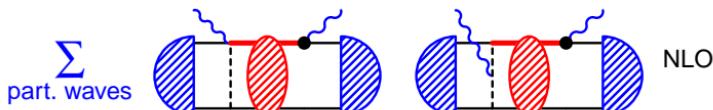
Beane et al. 1999-2005; hg/... 2005



→ NLO



↘ N<sup>2</sup>LO



NLO

↘ N<sup>3</sup>LO, pert.

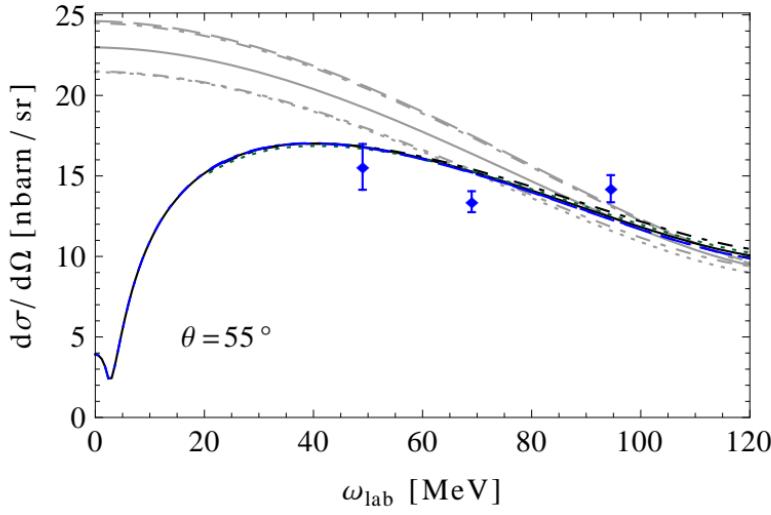
Full LO  $T_{NN}$  pivotal for current conservation. Arenhövel 1980

### (c) Consequence of NN-Rescattering: An Exact Low-Energy Theorem hg/...2010, 2012

**Low-Energy Theorem:** Thomson limit  $\mathcal{A}(\omega = 0) = -\frac{e^2}{M_d} \vec{\varepsilon} \cdot \vec{\varepsilon}'$ .

Thirring 1950, Friar 1975, Arenhövel 1980: Thomson limit  $\iff$  current conservation  $\iff$  gauge invariance.

**Exact Theorem**  $\implies$  At each  $\chi$ EFT order  $\implies$  Checks numerics.



Significantly reduces cross section for  $\omega \lesssim 70$  MeV.

Urbana, Lund data

Numerically confirmed to  $\lesssim 0.2\%$ , irrespective of deuteron wave function & potential.

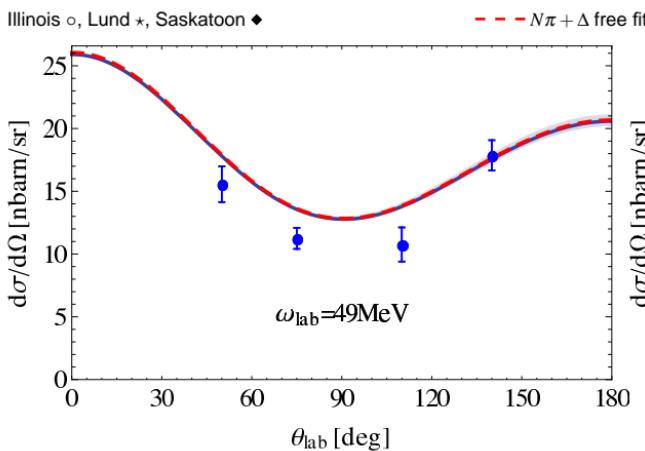
model-independence

Wave function & potential dependence significantly reduced even as  $\omega \rightarrow 150$  MeV  $\implies$  gauge invariance.

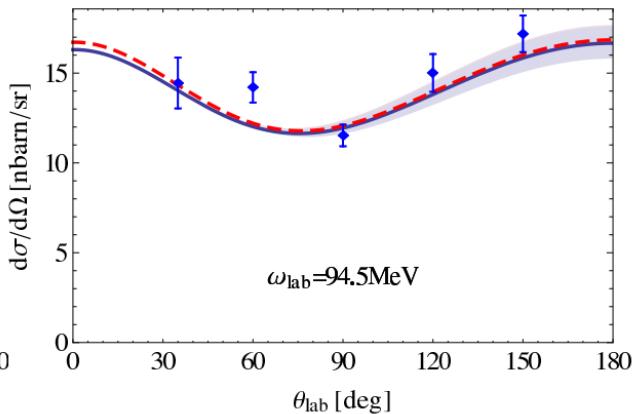
## (d) Determine Neutron Polarisabilities from all Deuteron Data

hg/McGovern/Phillips/  
Feldman PPNP 2012

Illinois  $\circ$ , Lund  $\star$ , Saskatoon  $\blacklozenge$



$N\pi + \Delta$  free fit  
 $N\pi + \Delta + \text{stat. error, Baldin constrained}$



	$\alpha_{E1}^s [10^{-4} \text{ fm}^3]$	$\beta_{M1}^s [10^{-4} \text{ fm}^3]$	$\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.}$
NLO free fit	$10.5 \pm 2.0_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.8_{\text{theory}}$	$3.6 \pm 1.0_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.8_{\text{theory}}$	$24.3/24$
NLO Baldin constrained $\alpha_{E1}^s + \beta_{M1}^s = 14.5 \pm 0.3$	$10.9 \pm 0.9_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.2_{\Sigma} \pm 0.8_{\text{theory}}$	$3.6 \mp 0.9_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.2_{\Sigma} \mp 0.8_{\text{theory}}$	$24.4/25$
$N^2\text{LO}$ proton (Baldin) hg...PPNP 2012	$10.7 \pm 0.4_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.2_{\Sigma} \pm 0.3_{\text{theory}}$	$3.1 \mp 0.4_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.2_{\Sigma} \mp 0.3_{\text{theory}}$	$113.2/135$

⇒ neutron ≈ proton polarisabilities

Need better data: MAXlab taken, HIγS approved – theory:  $N^2\text{LO}$ , beyond pion threshold

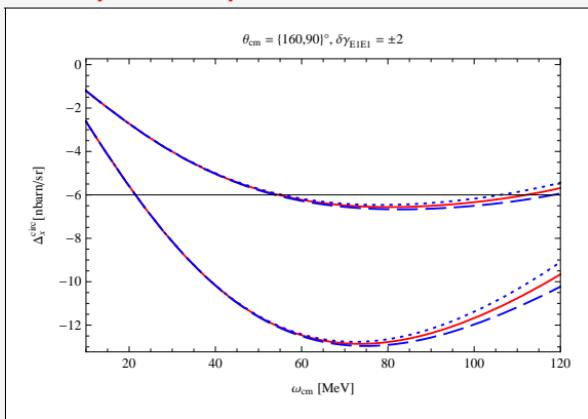
## (e) Goal: Guide, Support, Analyse, Predict Experiments

hg/Shukla 2010-  
hg/McGovern/Phillips 2012-

11 independent observables for proton; 23 for deuteron

⇒ Interactive *mathematica* 8.0 notebooks from hgrie@gwu.edu

### Example double-polarised on deuteron



First scatt. angle  $\theta=160^\circ$

Second scatt. angle  $\theta=90^\circ$

Reference frame  cm  lab

Deuteron polarisation axis  x  z

Variation by  $\pm 2$  of  $\delta\gamma_{E1E1}$

$\chi$ EFT order  $\epsilon^3$

Deuteron wave function NNLO Epelbaum 650MeV  AV18

NN potential AV18

Range y-axis Automatic

**Future:** guide/support experiments at HI $\gamma$ S, MAMI, MAXlab  
extend analysis proton to 300 MeV  
full analysis deuteron (tensor-polarised),  ${}^3\text{He}$   
*Compton@Web* on DAC/SAID website

# (f) Spin-Polarisabilities from Circularly Pol. Photons at 125 MeV

Shukla/Phillips 2005  
Shukla/hg 2010; hg 2012

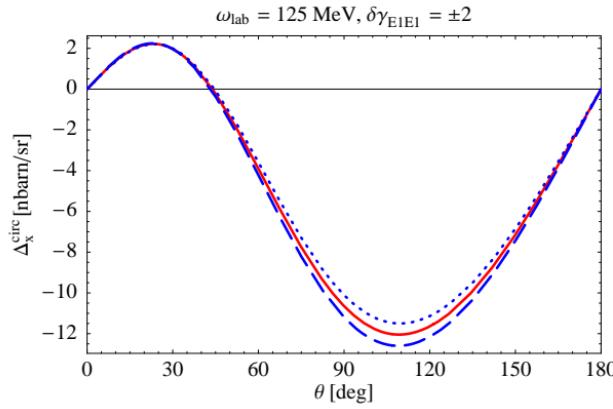
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difference  $\Delta_x^{\text{circ}}$ , asymmetry  $\Sigma_x^{\text{circ}} = \frac{\Delta_x^{\text{circ}}}{\text{sum}}$



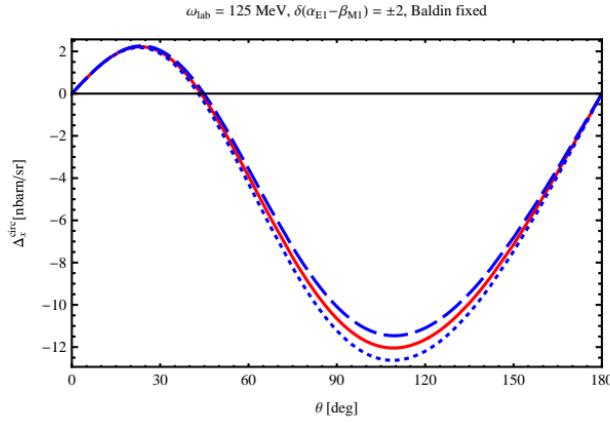
Sensitivity on neutron  $\gamma_{E1E1}$

— — — 5.2; - - - 5.2 + 2; ..... 5.2 - 2



Sensitivity on neutron  $\alpha_{E1} - \beta_{M1}$ ; Baldin- $\Sigma$  fixed

— — — 8.2; - - - 8.2 + 2; ..... 8.2 - 2



Sensitive to  $\gamma_{E1E1}$ , but must nail down  $\alpha_{E1}, \beta_{M1}$  at lower energy.

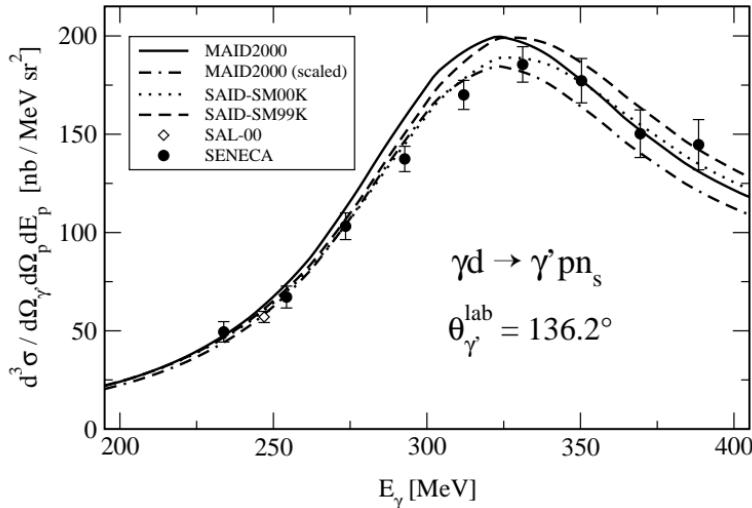
$\Delta(1232)$  and re-scattering increase signal.

# (g) Inelastic Compton Scattering on Nuclei

theory: Levckuk/L'vov/Petrunkin 1994-2000; Demissie/hg 2012-  
exp: (Rose/... 1999); Kolb/... SAL 2000; Kossert/... MAMI 2002

Nucleon polarisabilities from centre of quasi-inelastic peak in  $A(\gamma, \gamma A')N$

9 data for  $d(\gamma, \gamma p)n$  for  $\omega \in [230; 400]$  MeV



Kossert et al. 2003 found  $\alpha_{E1}^n = 12.5 \pm 1.8 (\text{stat})^{+1.1}_{-0.6} (\text{syst}) \pm 1.1 (\text{model})$ ,  
 $\beta_{M1}$  from Baldin

sys. & model-error *under-estimated?*:  
 $\pi$  production, SAID/MAID-2000 amplitudes,  
 $\pi$ -exchange currents not chirally consistent,  
...

To Do: Theory starting up: Demissie PhD

Analyse elastic & inelastic in unified  $\chi$ EFT frame, test quasi-free hypothesis.

Enhancement by  $\Delta(1232)$  peak  $\Rightarrow$  accurate  $\Delta$  theory.

To Do: Experiment

Better data.

Lower energies.

*Sensitivity of single-/double-polarised observables, breakup asymmetries.*

Alternative targets:  ${}^3\text{He}$ ,  ${}^4\text{He}$ ,  ${}^6\text{Li}$ , ..., also for proton?

## (h) Per Aspera Ad Astra: $^3\text{He}$

Experiment:  $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \propto (\text{target-charge})^{2 \text{ to } 1}$ , more & easier targets

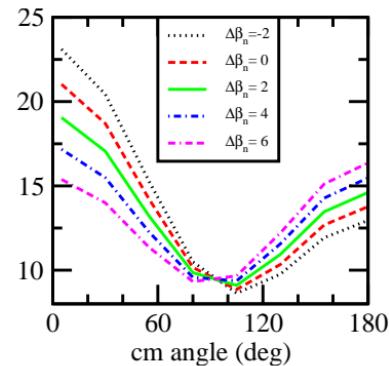
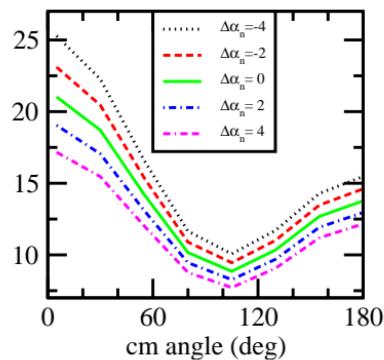
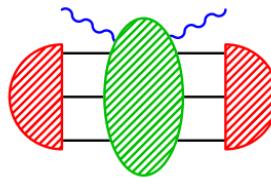
⇒ heavier nuclei

Theory: Reliable extraction needs accurate description of nuclear binding & levels

⇒ lighter nuclei

Find sweet-spot between competing forces:  $^3\text{He}$  at H1 $\gamma$ S, MAMI, MAXlab

Example: Sensitivity of unpolarised  $^3\text{He}$  cross-section at  $\omega_{\text{lab}} = 120$  MeV on  $\alpha^n, \beta^n$  Shukla/Phillips/Nogga 2006-09



- First Compton cross section on  $^3\text{He}$ .
- $^3\text{He}$  as effective neutron spin target.
- Extend beyond  $\omega \in [80; 120]$  MeV: re-scattering (Thomson,  $T_{NN}$ ), explicit  $\Delta(1232)$ , threshold corrections

⇒ Effects will become more pronounced.

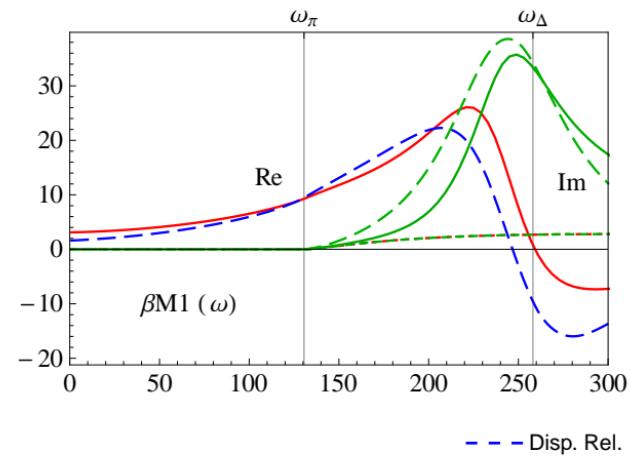
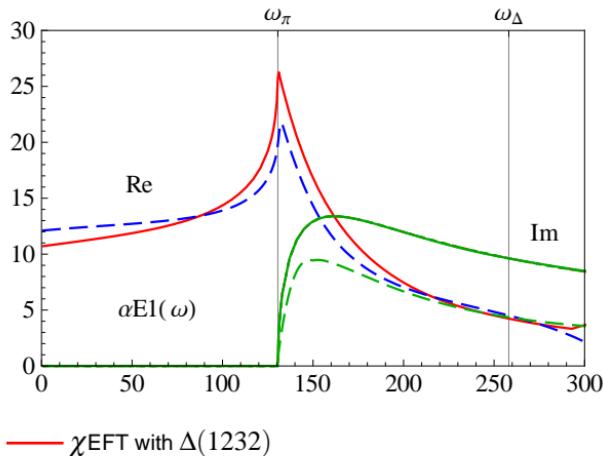
## (i) Understanding Energy Dependence

**Dynamical Polarisabilities:** Multipole decomposition of real Compton scattering at **fixed energy**.

Neither more nor less information about **response** of constituents, but **more readily accessible**.

$\alpha_{E1}(\omega)$ : Pion cusp well captured by single- $N\pi$ .

$\beta_{M1}(\omega)$ : para-magnetic  $N$ -to- $\Delta$   $M1$ -transition.



—  $\chi$ EFT with  $\Delta(1232)$

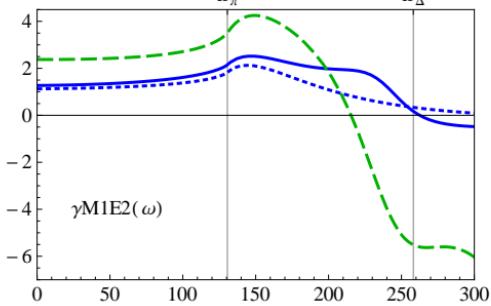
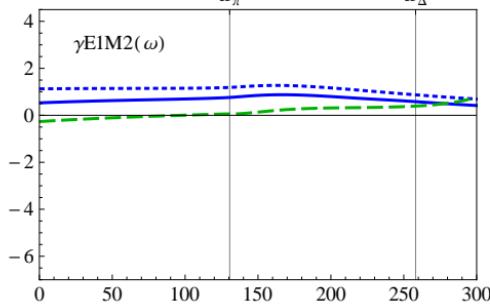
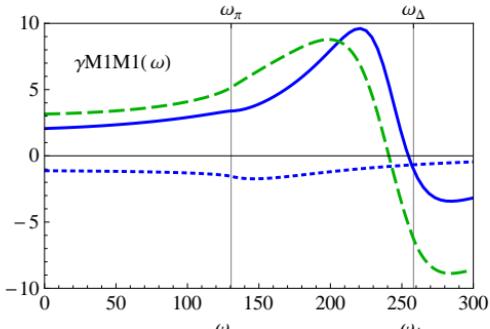
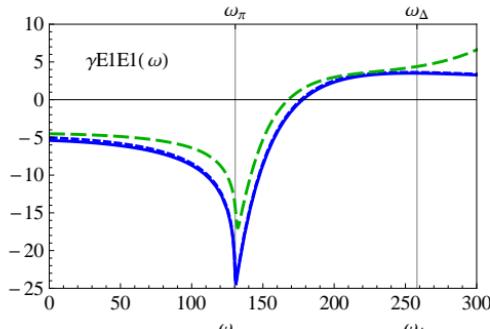
— Disp. Rel.

Re: refraction; Im: absorption  $\implies$  pion photo-production multipoles.

## (j) Iso-Scalar Spin-Dependent Dynamical Polarisabilities

Hildebrandt/TRH/hg/Pasquini 2002/03

Predicted in  $\chi$ EFT: No  $N$ -core contributions  $\Rightarrow$  Spin-physics dominated by pion-cloud +  $\Delta$  ( $\gamma_{E1M1}$ ,  $\gamma_{M1E2}$ ).



Static values  
units:  $[10^{-4} \text{ fm}^4]$

$$\bar{\gamma}_0 = -(\gamma_{E1E1} + \gamma_{M1M1} + \gamma_{E1M2} + \gamma_{M1E2})$$

$$\bar{\gamma}_\pi - (\pi^0\text{-pole}) = -\gamma_{E1E1} + \gamma_{M1M1} - \gamma_{E1M2} + \gamma_{M1E2}$$

$\chi$ EFT  
iso-scalar

DR  
iso-scalar

MAMI  
proton

LEGS  
proton

MAMI  
neutron

??

-0.7

-0.4

-1

8.6

12

$\sim 8$

$\sim 18$

$[12 \dots 16] \pm 4_{\text{model}}$

## 4. Concluding Questions

Dynamical polarisabilities: **Energy-dependent** multipole-decomposition dis-entangles

scales, symmetries & mechanisms of interactions with & among constituents:

$\chi$ iral symmetry of pion-cloud, iso-spin breaking,  $\Delta(1232)$  properties, nucleon spin-constituents.

⇒  $\chi$ EFT: unified frame-work off light nuclei: model-independent, systematic, reliable errors.

**Compton amplitude to 350 MeV – Scalar Dipole Polarisabilities from all Compton data below 200 MeV:**

proton N <sup>2</sup> LO	$\alpha^p = 10.7 \pm 0.35_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.2_{\Sigma} \pm 0.3_{\text{theory}}$	$\beta^p = 3.1 \mp 0.35_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.2_{\Sigma} \mp 0.3_{\text{theory}}$
iso-scalar NLO	$\alpha^s = 10.9 \pm 0.9_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.2_{\Sigma} \pm 0.8_{\text{theory}}$	$\beta^s = 3.6 \mp 0.9_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.2_{\Sigma} \mp 0.8_{\text{theory}}$
<b>neutron</b> NLO	$\alpha^n = 11.1 \pm 1.8_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.4_{\Sigma} \pm 0.8_{\text{theory}}$	$\beta^n = 4.1 \mp 1.8_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.4_{\Sigma} \mp 0.8_{\text{theory}}$

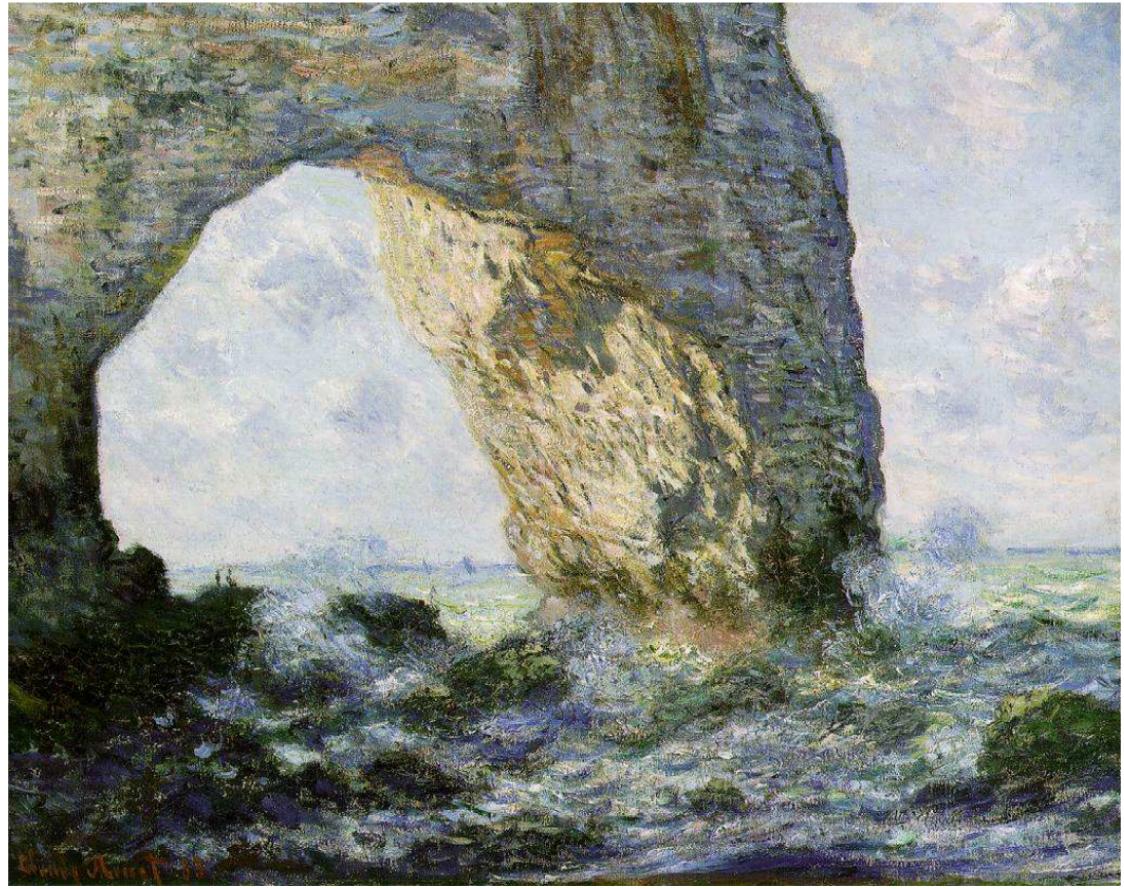
**Theory To-Do List:** explore host of observables: expansion  $\frac{P_{\text{typ}}}{\Lambda_\chi} \ll 1$  for credible error-bars.

math notebooks

- **One Nucleon:** polarisation observables, higher-order in resonance region near-done; long-term
- **Deuteron:** embed N<sup>2</sup>LO; extend beyond  $1\pi$ -threshold into  $\Delta(1232)$  region; break-up now focus of attention
- **$^3\text{He}$  & heavier:** Thomson limit; into  $\Delta(1232)$  region; break-up starting

**Data Needed:** cross-sections & asymmetries – reliable systematics. ⇒ **spin-polarisabilities.**

Clean probe to explore the strong force at low energies.



Claude Monet: Rock Arch West of Etretat (The Manneport), 1883

## (a) Extracting Dynamical Polarisabilities

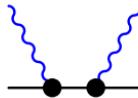
hg/TRH 2002, Hildebrandt/hg/TRH/Pasquini 2003

Rigorous definition from spin-independent Compton scattering amplitudes

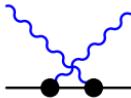
$$\begin{aligned} T(\omega, z) = & A_1(\omega, z) (\vec{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \vec{\epsilon}) + A_2(\omega, z) \left( \vec{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{\vec{k}} \right) \left( \vec{\epsilon} \cdot \hat{\vec{k}}' \right) \\ & + i A_3(\omega, z) \vec{\sigma} \cdot (\vec{\epsilon}'^* \times \vec{\epsilon}) + i A_4(\omega, z) \vec{\sigma} \cdot (\hat{\vec{k}}' \times \hat{\vec{k}}) (\vec{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \vec{\epsilon}) \\ & + i A_5(\omega, z) \vec{\sigma} \cdot \left[ (\vec{\epsilon}'^* \times \hat{\vec{k}}) \left( \vec{\epsilon}^* \cdot \hat{\vec{k}}' \right) - (\vec{\epsilon} \times \hat{\vec{k}}') \left( \vec{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{\vec{k}} \right) \right] \\ & + i A_6(\omega, z) \vec{\sigma} \cdot \left[ (\vec{\epsilon}'^* \times \hat{\vec{k}}') \left( \vec{\epsilon}^* \cdot \hat{\vec{k}}' \right) - (\vec{\epsilon} \times \hat{\vec{k}}') \left( \vec{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{\vec{k}} \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

(1) Choose frame of reference: centre of mass;  $\theta = \angle(\vec{k}, \vec{k}')$ ,  $z = \cos \theta$ .

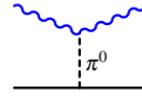
(2) Subtract “nucleon pole” terms in



s-channel,



u-channel,



t-channel,

: two-photon interaction with point-like spin- $\frac{1}{2}$  nucleon of magnetic moment  $\kappa$  (Powell) + pion-pole term.

⇒ **Structure-dependent part** of Compton amplitude:

$$\bar{A}_i(\omega, \cos \theta) = A_i(\omega, \cos \theta) - A_i^{\text{pole}}(\omega, \cos \theta)$$

## (a) Extracting Dynamical Polarisabilities

hg/TRH 2002, Hildebrandt/hg/TRH/Pasquini 2003

(3) Multipole decomposition into photon transitions  $Tl \rightarrow T'l'$  ( $T = E, M$ ) at fixed energy  $\omega$ :

static:  $\alpha_{E1}(\omega = 0) = \bar{\alpha}$  etc.

$W = \omega + \sqrt{M^2 + \omega^2}$ : cm energy

$$\bar{A}_1(\omega, z) = \frac{4\pi W}{M} \left[ (\alpha_{E1}(\omega) + \cos \theta \beta_{M1}(\omega)) \omega^2 + \frac{1}{12} (\cos \theta \alpha_{E2}(\omega) + (2\cos^2 \theta - 1) \beta_{M2}(\omega)) \omega^4 + \dots \right]$$

$$\bar{A}_2(\omega, z) = -\frac{4\pi W}{M} \beta_{M1}(\omega) \omega^2 + \dots,$$

$$\bar{A}_3(\omega, z) = -\frac{4\pi W}{M} \left[ \gamma_{E1E1}(\omega) + \cos \theta \gamma_{M1M1}(\omega) + \gamma_{E1M2}(\omega) + \cos \theta \gamma_{M1E2}(\omega) \right] \omega^3 + \dots$$

$$\bar{A}_4(\omega, z) = \frac{4\pi W}{M} \left[ -\gamma_{M1M1}(\omega) + \gamma_{M1E2}(\omega) \right] \omega^3 + \dots$$

$$\bar{A}_5(\omega, z) = \frac{4\pi W}{M} \gamma_{M1M1}(\omega) \omega^3 + \dots$$

$$\bar{A}_6(\omega, z) = \frac{4\pi W}{M} \gamma_{E1M2}(\omega) \omega^3 + \dots$$

### Dynamical polarisabilities:

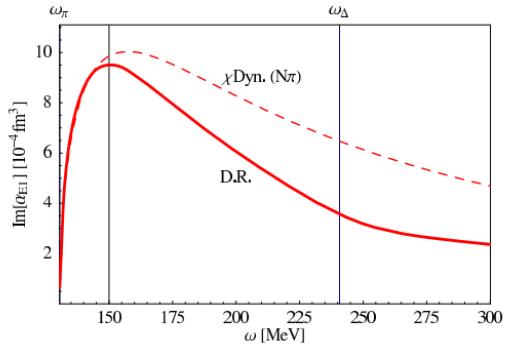
Response of **internal** degrees of freedom to external, real photon field of definite multipolarity & **non-zero** energy.

Neither more nor less information about temporal response/dispersive effects of nucleon constituents,  
but information **more readily accessible**.

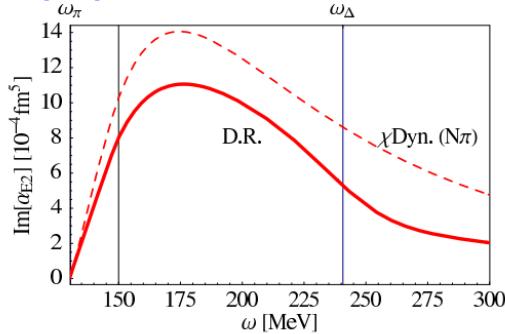
## (b) Imaginary Parts of Iso-Scalar Polarizabilities

LO MSSE:  $\Delta$  without width; only pion production threshold ( $N\pi$  graphs). Non-zero  $\Delta$  width clearly seen in DR.

$\text{Im}[\alpha_{E1}]$

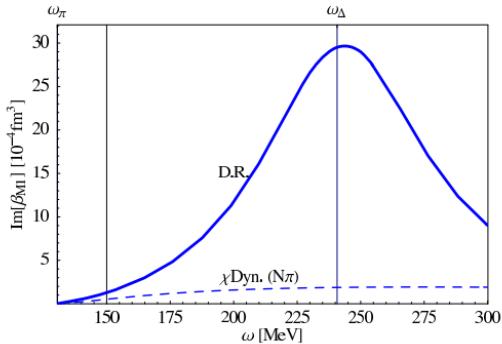


$\text{Im}[\alpha_{E2}]$

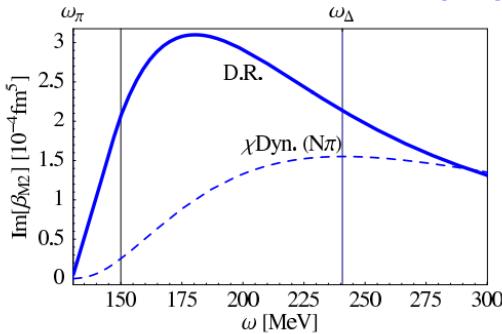


Disp. Rel. — SSE.

$\text{Im}[\beta_{M1}]$

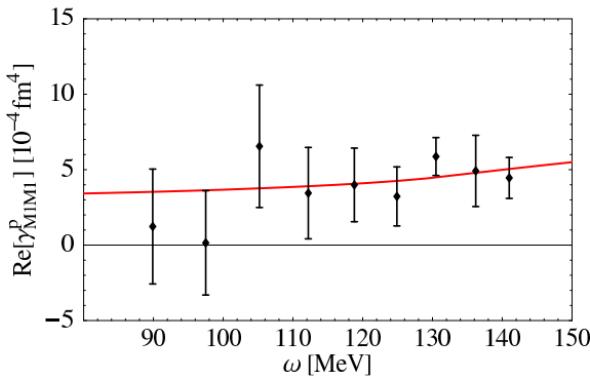
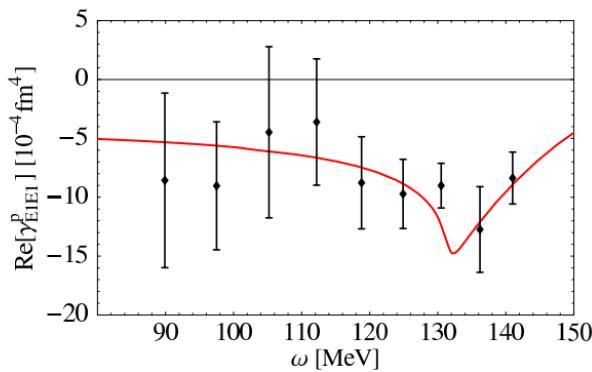


$\text{Im}[\beta_{M2}]$



### (c) Spin-Dependent Dynamical Polarisabilities from Multipole Analysis hg/...2003-4

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 4\pi N^\dagger \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left[ \alpha_{E1}(\omega) \vec{E}^2 + \beta_{M1}(\omega) \vec{B}^2 \right] \right. && \text{spin-indep dipole} \\
 & + \frac{1}{2} \left[ \gamma_{E1E1}(\omega) \vec{\sigma} \cdot (\vec{E} \times \dot{\vec{E}}) + \gamma_{M1M1}(\omega) \vec{\sigma} \cdot (\vec{B} \times \dot{\vec{B}}) \right. && \text{"pure" spin-dep dipole} \\
 & \left. - 2 \gamma_{M1E2}(\omega) \sigma_i B_j E_{ij} + 2 \gamma_{E1M2}(\omega) \sigma_i E_j B_{ij} \right] + \dots \left. \right\} N && \text{"mixed" spin-dep dipole}
 \end{aligned}$$



Assumptions:  $\alpha_{E1}(\omega)$ ,  $\beta_{M1}(\omega)$  well captured, only  $\gamma_{E1E1}(\omega)$ ,  $\gamma_{M1M1}(\omega)$  large  $\implies$  superficial fit to data.

### (c) Spin-Dependent Dynamical Polarisabilities from Multipole Analysis hg/...2003-4

Spin-physics dominated by pion-cloud +  $\Delta$ . No  $N$ -core contributions.

$$4\pi N^\dagger \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{2} \left[ \alpha_{E1}(\omega) \vec{E}^2 + \beta_{M1}(\omega) \vec{B}^2 \right] \\ + \frac{1}{2} \left[ \gamma_{E1E1}(\omega) \vec{\sigma} \cdot (\vec{E} \times \dot{\vec{E}}) + \gamma_{M1M1}(\omega) \vec{\sigma} \cdot (\vec{B} \times \dot{\vec{B}}) \right. \\ \left. - 2 \gamma_{M1E2}(\omega) \sigma_i B_j E_{ij} + 2 \gamma_{E1M2}(\omega) \sigma_i E_j B_{ij} \right] + \dots \end{array} \right\} N \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{spin-indep dipole} \\ \text{"pure" spin-dep dipole} \\ \text{"mixed" spin-dep dipole} \end{array}$$

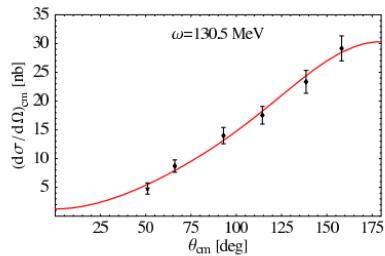
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“pure” spin-dep dipole  
“mixed” spin-dep dipole

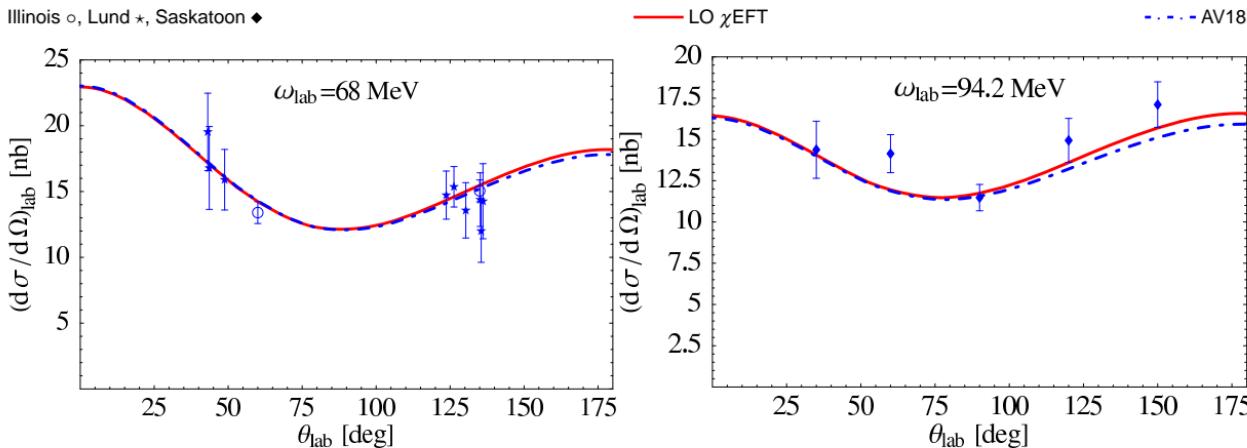
Large error-bars because  $\gamma_i$ -effects  $\propto \cos^2 \theta$ , while data nearly linear.



### (c) Spin-Dependent Dynamical Polarisabilities from Multipole Analysis

Dependence of  $T_{NN}$  on  $NN$ -potential  $\cong$  short-distance, for  $\omega \rightarrow 0$  clear from Thomson.

Illinois  $\circ$ , Lund  $\star$ , Saskatoon  $\blacklozenge$



$$\text{LO } \chi\text{EFT-potential: } \overline{\text{---}} + \times^{\text{---}} \sim Q^{-1}$$

Consistent for Compton at NLO:  $\mathcal{O}(Q^0)$ -correction of  $NN$ -potential presumed zero.

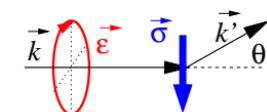
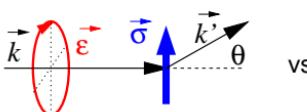
AV18 provides  $< 3\%$  corrections  $\implies$  suggests higher-order indeed  $Q^1 \approx \left(\frac{1}{7}\right)^2$ .

# (d) Spin-Polarisabilities from Circularly Pol. Photons at 125 MeV

Shukla/Phillips 2005  
Shukla/hg 2010; hg 2012

**Deuteron Best:** Incoming  $\gamma$  circularly polarised, sum over final states.  $N$ -spin in  $(\vec{k}, \vec{k}')$ -plane, perpendicular to  $\vec{k}$ :

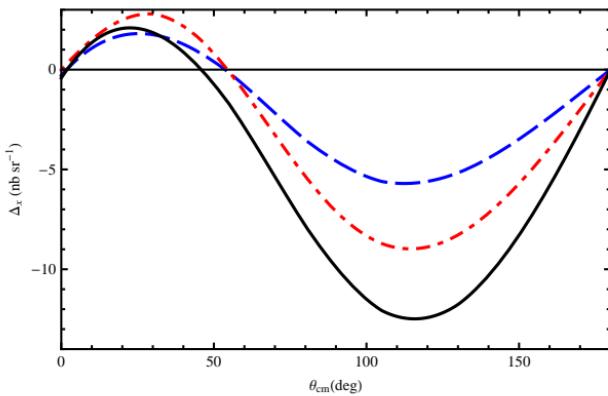
difference  $\Delta_x^{\text{circ}}$ , asymmetry  $\Sigma_x^{\text{circ}} = \frac{\Delta_x^{\text{circ}}}{\text{sum}}$



vs.

Sensitivity on  $\Delta$  &  $NN$ -rescattering:

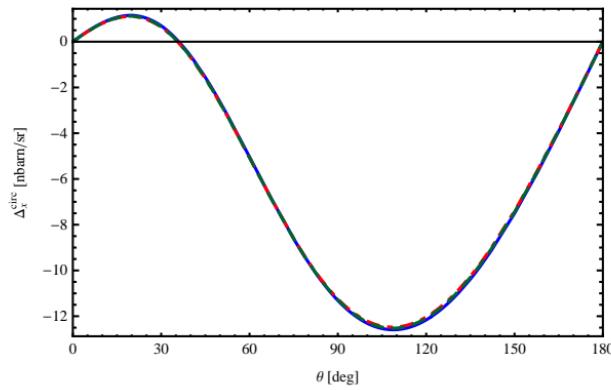
-----  $N\pi$ , no  $NN$ ; - - -  $N\pi + \Delta$ , no  $NN$ ; ——  $N\pi + \Delta + NN$



Sensitivity on wave-function:

NNLO Epelbaum 650 MeV, AV18, Nijmegen 93

$\omega_{\text{lab}} = 125$  MeV



- More pronounced by explicit  $\Delta(1232)$
- Thomson ( $NN$  rescatt.) important even at high  $\omega = 125$  MeV

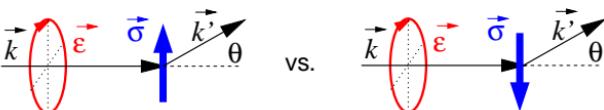
- No residual deuteron wave-function dependence
- Higher pols negligible

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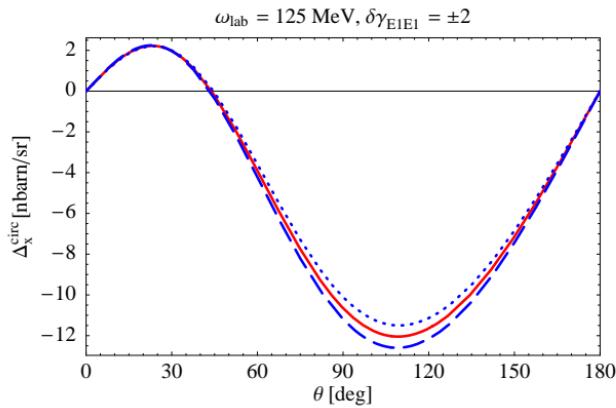
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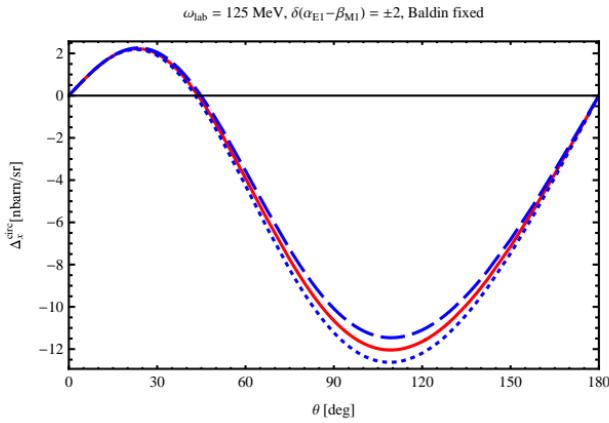
Sensitivity on neutron  $\gamma_{E1E1}$

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Sensitivity on neutron  $\alpha_{E1} - \beta_{M1}$ ; Baldin-Σ fixed

— — 8.2; - - - 8.2 + 2; ..... 8.2 - 2



**Sensitive to  $\gamma_{E1E1}$ , but must nail down  $\alpha_{E1}, \beta_{M1}$  at lower energy.**

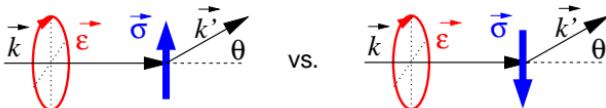
Similarly good signal for linear polarisation  $\Delta_x^{\text{lin}}$ .

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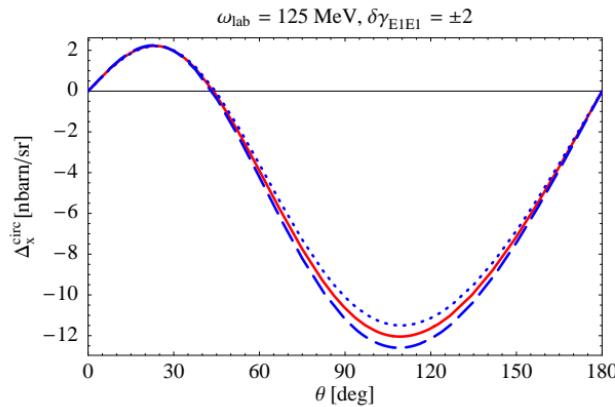
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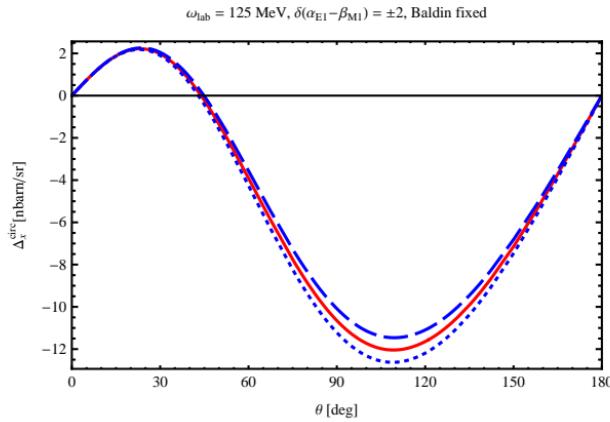
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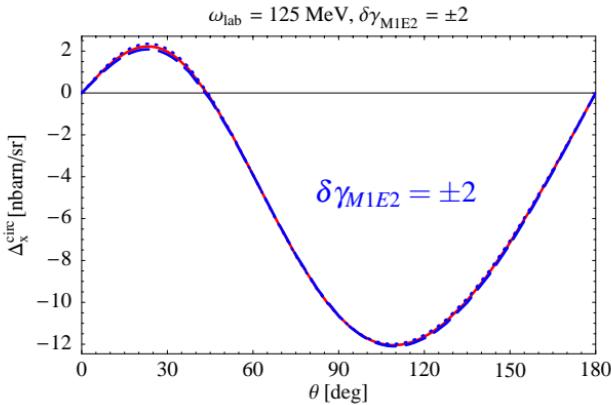
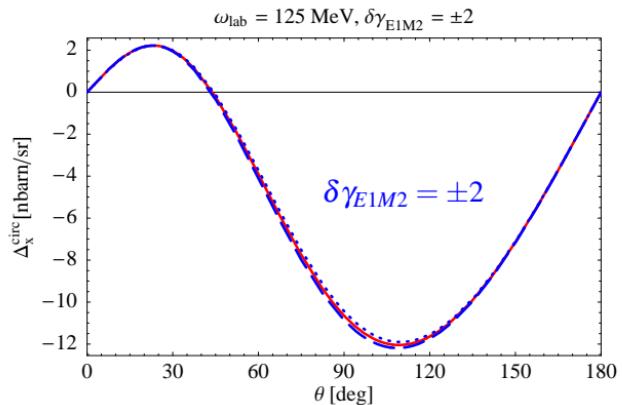
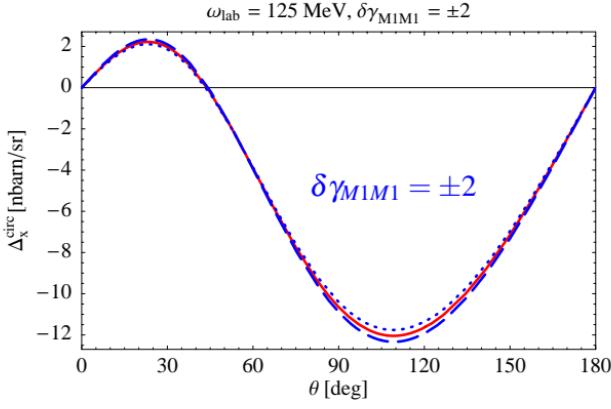
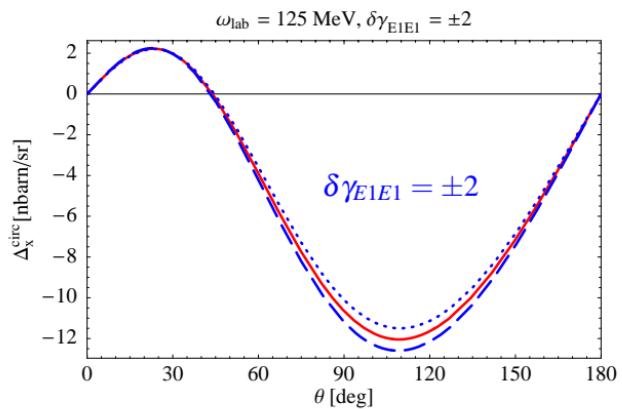
Sensitive to  $\gamma_{E1E1}$ , but must nail down  $\alpha_{E1}, \beta_{M1}$  at lower energy.

$\Delta(1232)$  and re-scattering increase signal.

# (d) Spin-Polarisabilities from Circularly Pol. Photons at 125 MeV

Shukla/Phillips 2005  
Shukla/hg 2010; hg 2012

**Deuteron Best:** Incoming  $\gamma$  circularly polarised, sum over final states.  $N$ -spin in  $(\vec{k}, \vec{k}')$ -plane, perpendicular to  $\vec{k}$ :



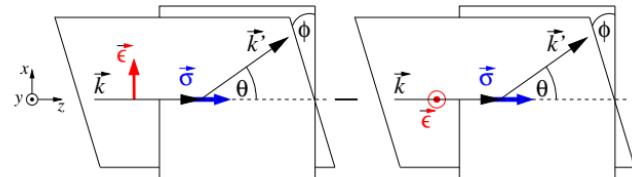
## (e) Spin-Polarisabilities from Linearly Pol. Photons at 125 MeV

Shukla/Phillips 2005

Shukla/hg 2010

**Deuteron Best:** Incoming  $\gamma$  linearly polarised, sum over final states.  $N$ -spin in  $(\vec{k}, \vec{k}')$ -plane, parallel to  $\vec{k}$ :

difference  $\Delta_z^{\text{lin}}$ , asymmetry  $\Sigma_z^{\text{lin}} = \frac{\Delta_z^{\text{lin}}}{\text{sum}}$



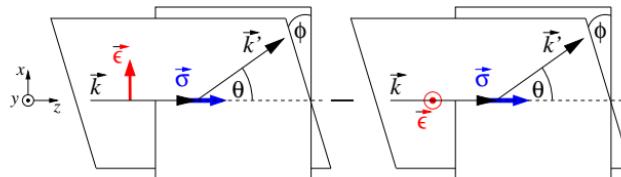
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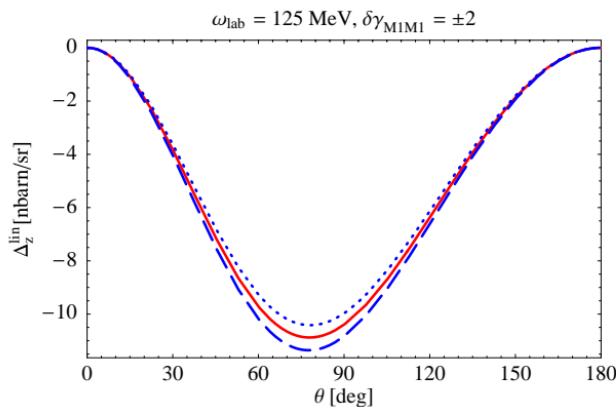
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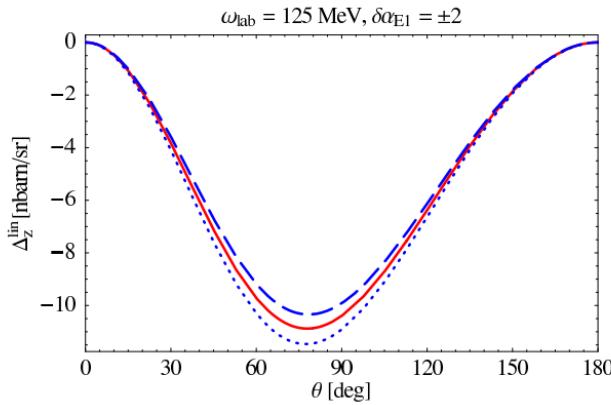
Sensitivity on neutron  $\gamma_{M1M1}$

— 3.2; - - - 3.2 + 2; ..... 3.2 - 2



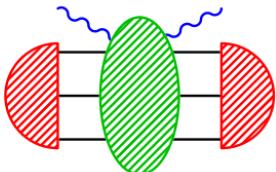
Sensitivity on neutron  $\alpha_{E1}$

— 11.3; - - - 11.3 + 2; ..... 11.3 - 2

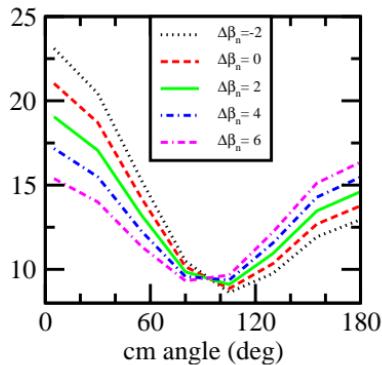
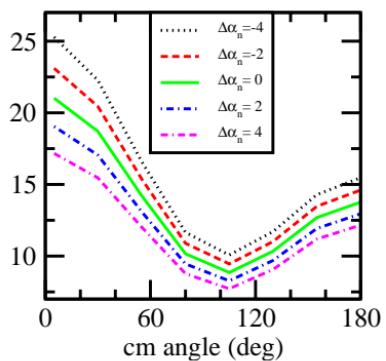


Sensitive to  $\gamma_{M1M1}$ , but must nail down  $\alpha_{E1}, \beta_{M1}$  at lower energy.

## (f) Per Aspera Ad Astra: $^3\text{He}$



Example: Sensitivity of unpolarised cross-section at  $\omega_{\text{lab}} = 120$  MeV on  $\alpha^n, \beta^n$  Shukla/Phillips/Nogga 2006-09



- First Compton cross section on  $^3\text{He}$ .
- $^3\text{He}$  as effective neutron spin target.
- Extend beyond  $\omega \in [80; 120]$  MeV: re-scattering (Thomson,  $T_{NN}$ ), explicit  $\Delta(1232)$ , threshold corrections

⇒ Effects will become more pronounced.

## (f) Per Aspera Ad Astra: $^3\text{He}$

**Experiment:**  $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \propto (\text{target-charge})^{2 \text{ to } 1}$ , more & easier targets

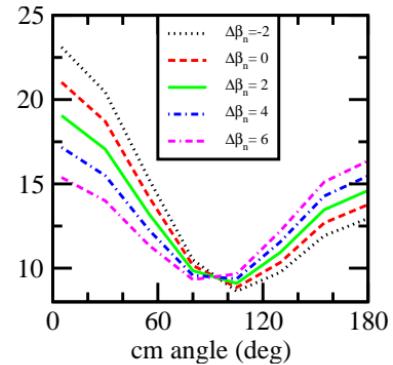
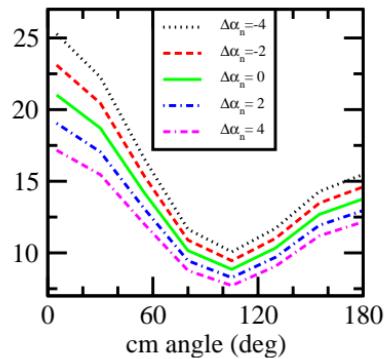
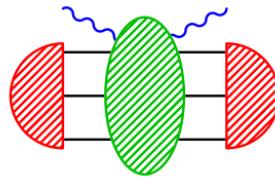
⇒ heavier nuclei

**Theory:** Reliable extraction needs accurate description of nuclear binding & levels

⇒ lighter nuclei

Find sweet-spot between competing forces:  $^3\text{He}$  at HI $\gamma$ S, MAMI, MAXlab

Example: Sensitivity of unpolarised  $^3\text{He}$  cross-section at  $\omega_{\text{lab}} = 120$  MeV on  $\alpha^n, \beta^n$  Shukla/Phillips/Nogga 2006-09



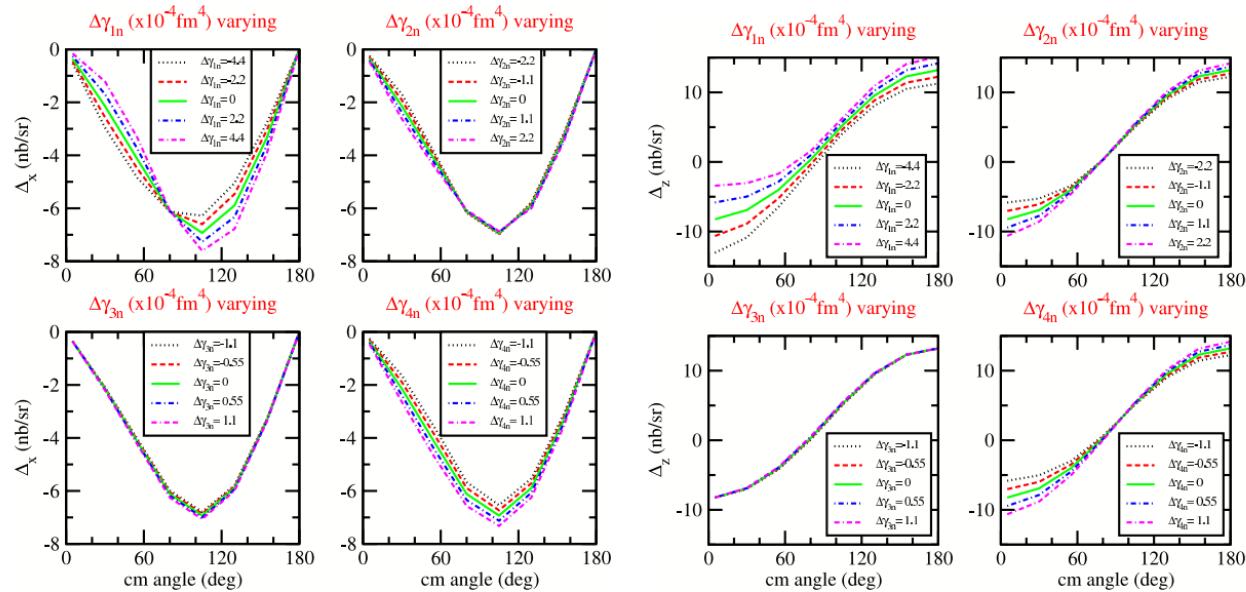
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⇒ Effects will become more pronounced.

# (g) Starting with ${}^3\text{He}$ : Doubly-Polarised

Choudhury Shukla/Phillips/Nogga 2006-09

Example: Sensitivity of polarised cross-section at  $\omega_{\text{lab}} = 120$  MeV on  $\gamma_i^n$ 's



- First Compton cross section on  ${}^3\text{He}$ .
- ${}^3\text{He}$  as effective neutron spin target.
- Extend beyond  $\omega \in [80; 120]$  MeV: re-scattering (Thomson,  $T_{NN}$ ), explicit  $\Delta(1232)$ , threshold corrections

⇒ Effects will become more pronounced.