

# Advances in nuclear structure calculations: extrapolations in finite model spaces and optimized chiral interactions at NNLO

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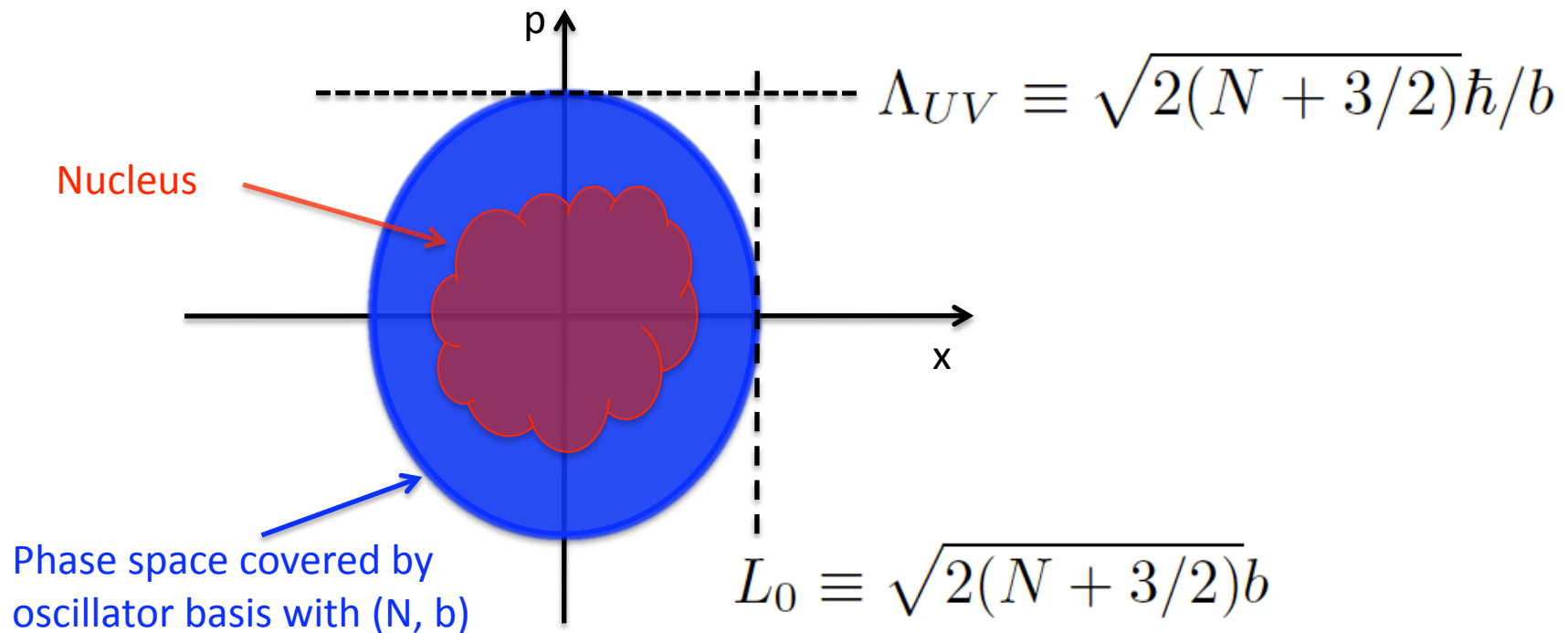
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# Convergence in finite oscillator spaces

Calculations are performed in finite oscillator spaces. How can one reliably extrapolate to infinity?

Convergence in momentum space (UV) and in position space (IR) needed



- Nucleus needs to "fit" into basis:
- Nuclear radius  $R < L$
  - cutoff of interaction  $\Lambda < \Lambda_{UV}$

# What is the infrared cutoff in the HO basis?

(Question asked by Bira van Kolck at INT workshop in spring 2009. Bira's answer:  $1/b$  [Stetcu, Barrett, van Kolck, Phys. Lett. B 653, 358 (2007); nucl-th0609023])

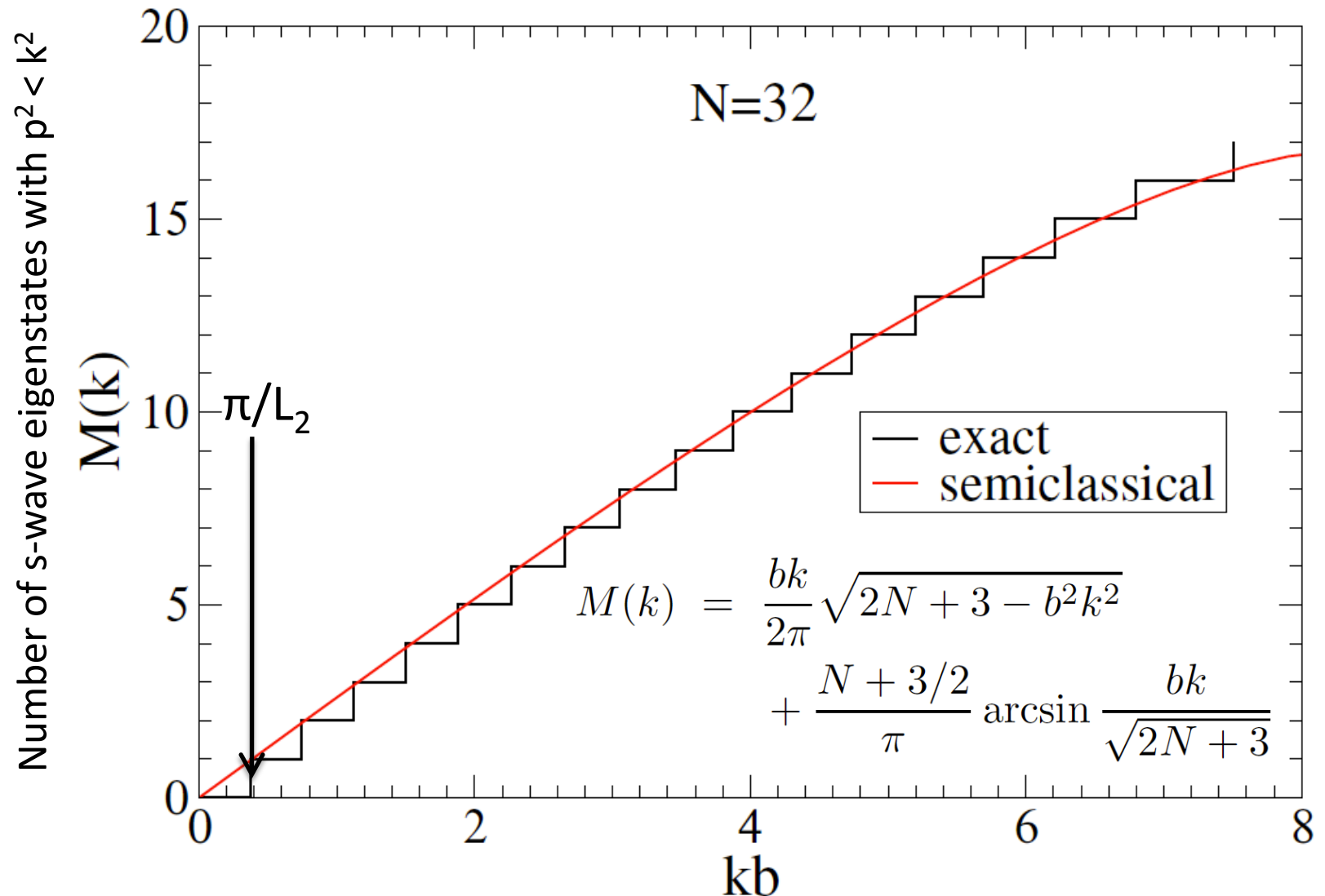
Very precise answer [More, Ekström, Furnstahl, Hagen, TP, 2013] based on length scale

$$L_2 = \sqrt{2(N + 3/2 + 2)}b$$

1. At low energies, the HO basis looks like a “box” of radius  $L_2$ .
2.  $\pi/L_2$  is the infrared cutoff.
3. Knowledge can be used for theoretically founded extrapolations in HO basis, computations of phase shifts in HO basis ...

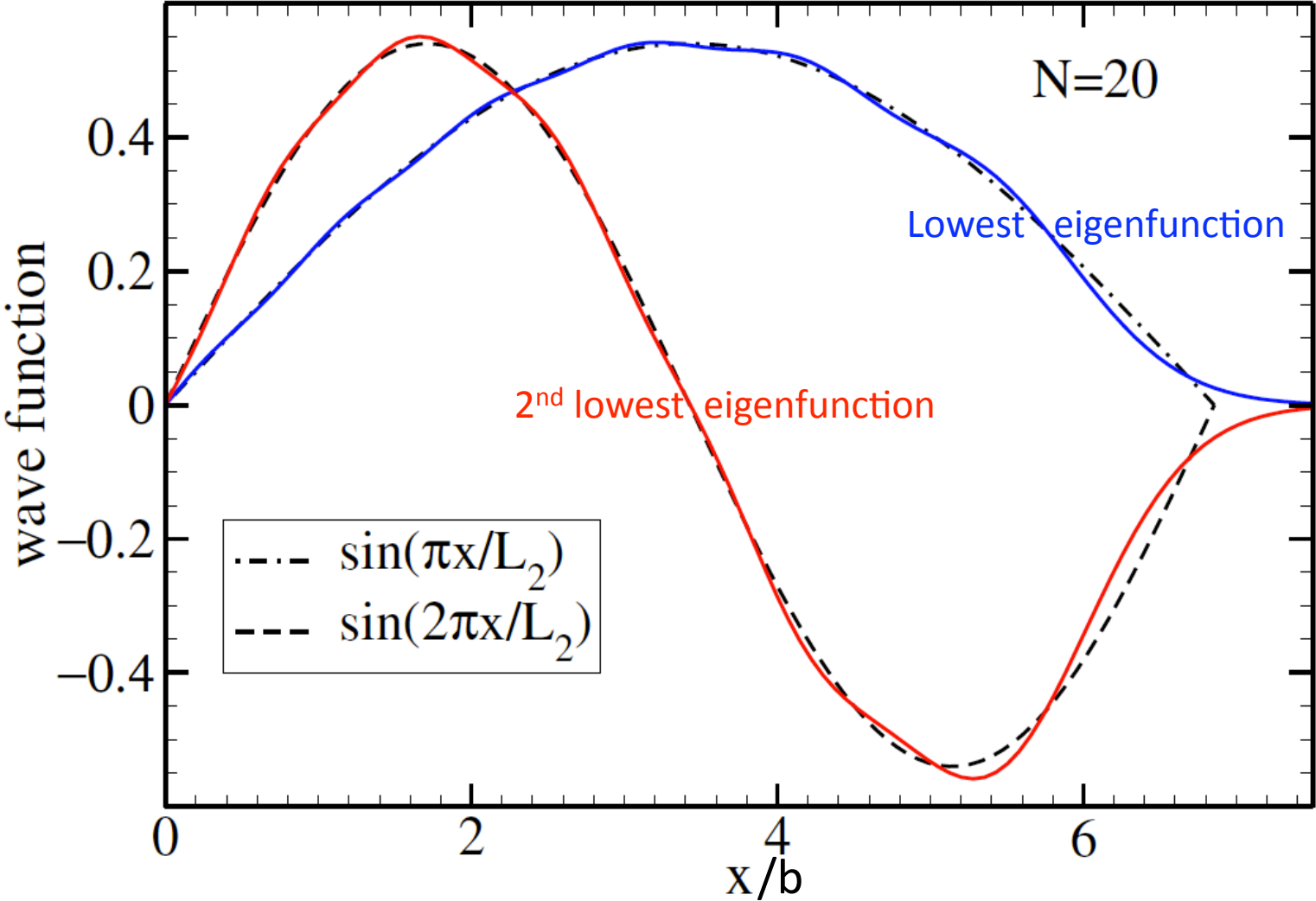
While  $1/b$  can serve as an IR regulator [Stetcu, Barrett, van Kolck, Phys. Lett. B 653, 358 (2007); Stetcu, Rotureau, Barrett, van Kolck, J. of Phys. G 37, 064033 (2010); Coon, Avetian, Kruse, Kolck, Maris, Vary, Phys. Rev. C 86, 054002 (2012)], it is not the IR cutoff imposed by a finite HO basis.

# Spectrum of the operator $p^2$ in the HO basis



- At low momentum, number of states increases linearly with increasing momentum
- Spectrum looks like that of the momentum operator in a box

# Eigenfunctions of $p^2$ with lowest eigenvalues in oscillator basis



Eigenfunctions look like those from a box of size  $L_2$ .

# Squared infrared cutoff is the lowest eigenvalue of $p^2$

The lowest eigenvalue  $\kappa_{\min}$  can be computed analytically for  $N \gg 1$ . **Result:**  $\pi/L_2$

Note:  $N \gg 1$  does not imply impractically large model spaces

$N$	$\kappa_{\min}$	$\pi/L_2$	$\pi/L_0$
0	1.2247	1.1874	1.8138
2	0.9586	0.9472	1.1874
4	0.8163	0.8112	0.9472
6	0.7236	0.7207	0.8112
8	0.6568	0.6551	0.7207
10	0.6058	0.6046	0.6551
12	0.5651	0.5642	0.6046
14	0.5316	0.5310	0.5642
16	0.5035	0.5031	0.5310
18	0.4795	0.4791	0.5031
20	0.4585	0.4582	0.4791

$$L_i \equiv \sqrt{2(N + 3/2 + i)}b$$

1% deviation at  $N > 2$

0.1% deviation at  $N > 14$

$\pi/L_2$  is very precise value of the IR cutoff

# IR corrections to bound-state energies

**Simple view:** A node in the wave function

$$u_E(r) \xrightarrow{r \gg R} A_E (e^{-k_E r} + \alpha_E e^{+k_E r})$$

at  $r=L_2$  requires  $\alpha_E = -\exp(-2k_E L_2)$ . This yields a (kinetic) energy correction

$$E_L = E_\infty + a_0 e^{-2k_\infty L}$$

**Model-independent approach** based on linear energy method [D. Djajaputra & B. R. Cooper, Eur. J. Phys. 21, 261 (2000)] yields energy correction

$$\Delta E_L \approx -u_\infty(L) \left( \left. \frac{du_E(L)}{dE} \right|_{E_\infty} \right)^{-1}$$

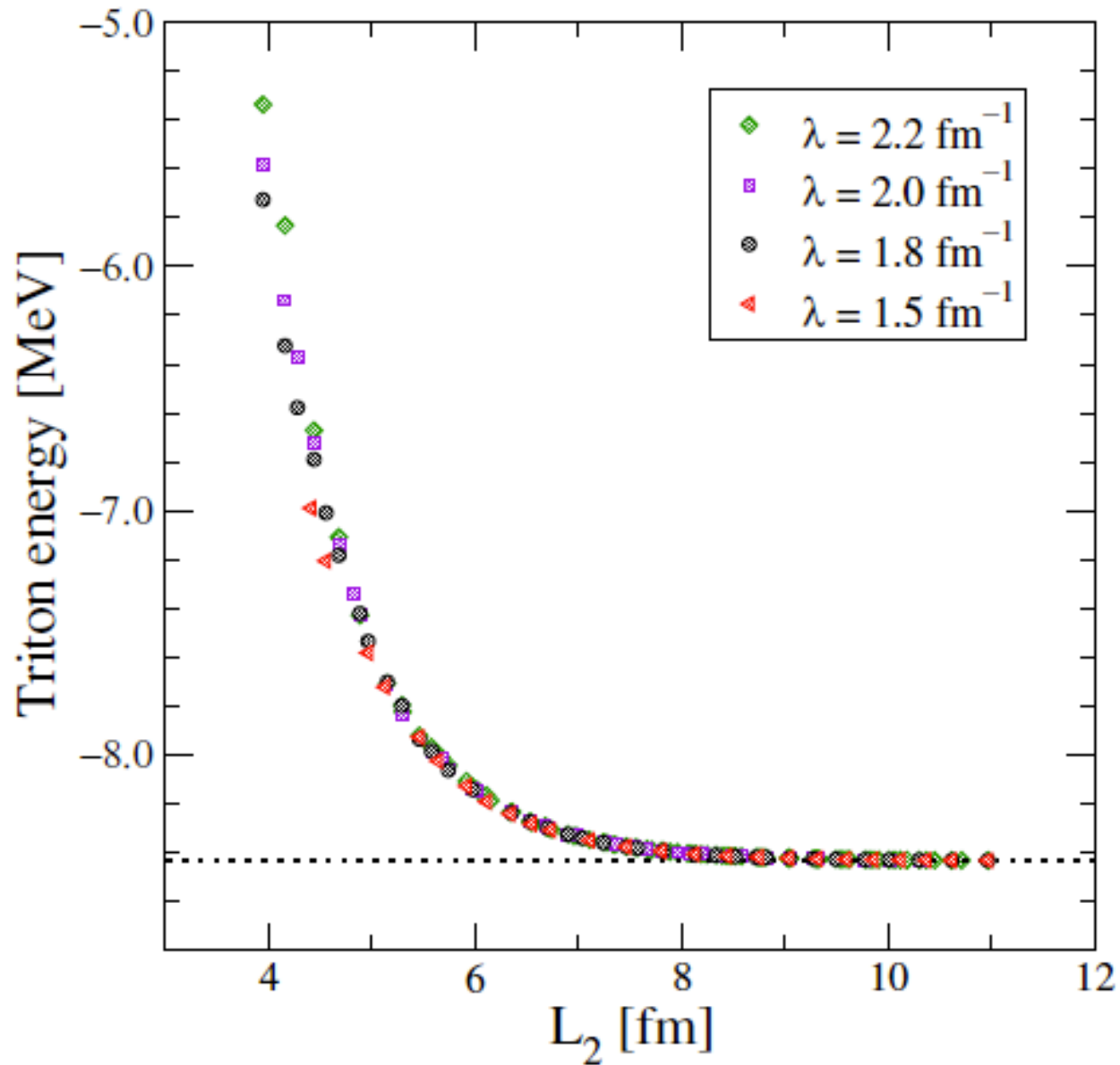
**Final results** [Furnstahl, Hagen, TP, Phys. Rev C 86, 031301 (2012); More, Ekström, Furnstahl, Hagen, TP, arXiv:1302.3815]

$$\Delta E_L = \frac{\hbar^2 k_\infty \overset{\text{ANC}^2}{\gamma_\infty^2} e^{-2 \overset{\text{Binding momentum}}{k_\infty} L} + \mathcal{O}(e^{-4k_\infty L})}{\mu} \quad \text{only observables enter}$$

$$\langle r^2 \rangle_L \approx \langle r^2 \rangle_\infty [1 - (c_0 \beta^3 + c_1 \beta) e^{-\beta}] \quad (\text{with } \beta \equiv 2k_\infty L)$$

Energy extrapolation explains findings by Coon et al, Phys. Rev. C 86, 054002 (2012)

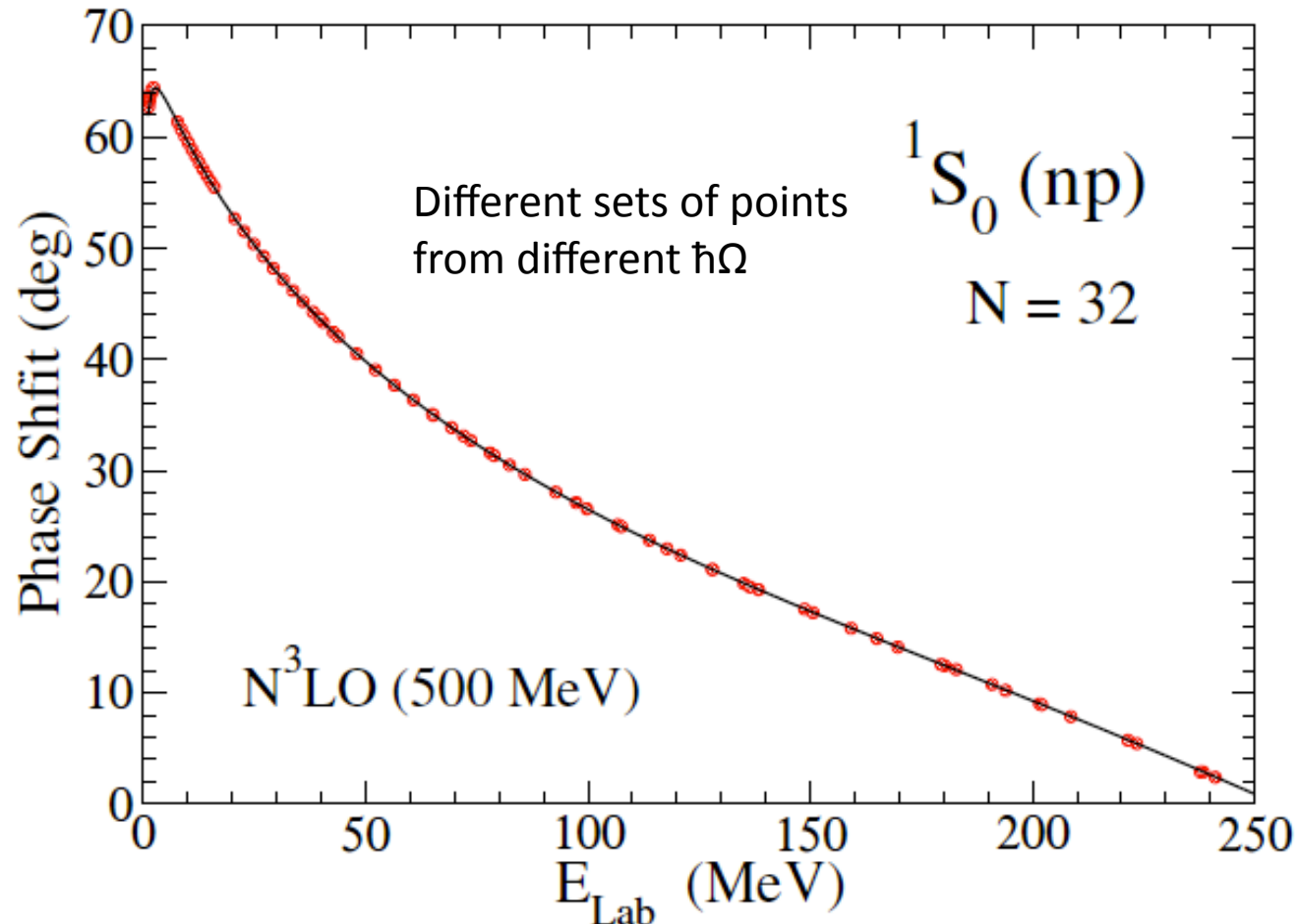
Triton binding energy from SRG interactions:  
only observables enter into the IR extrapolation



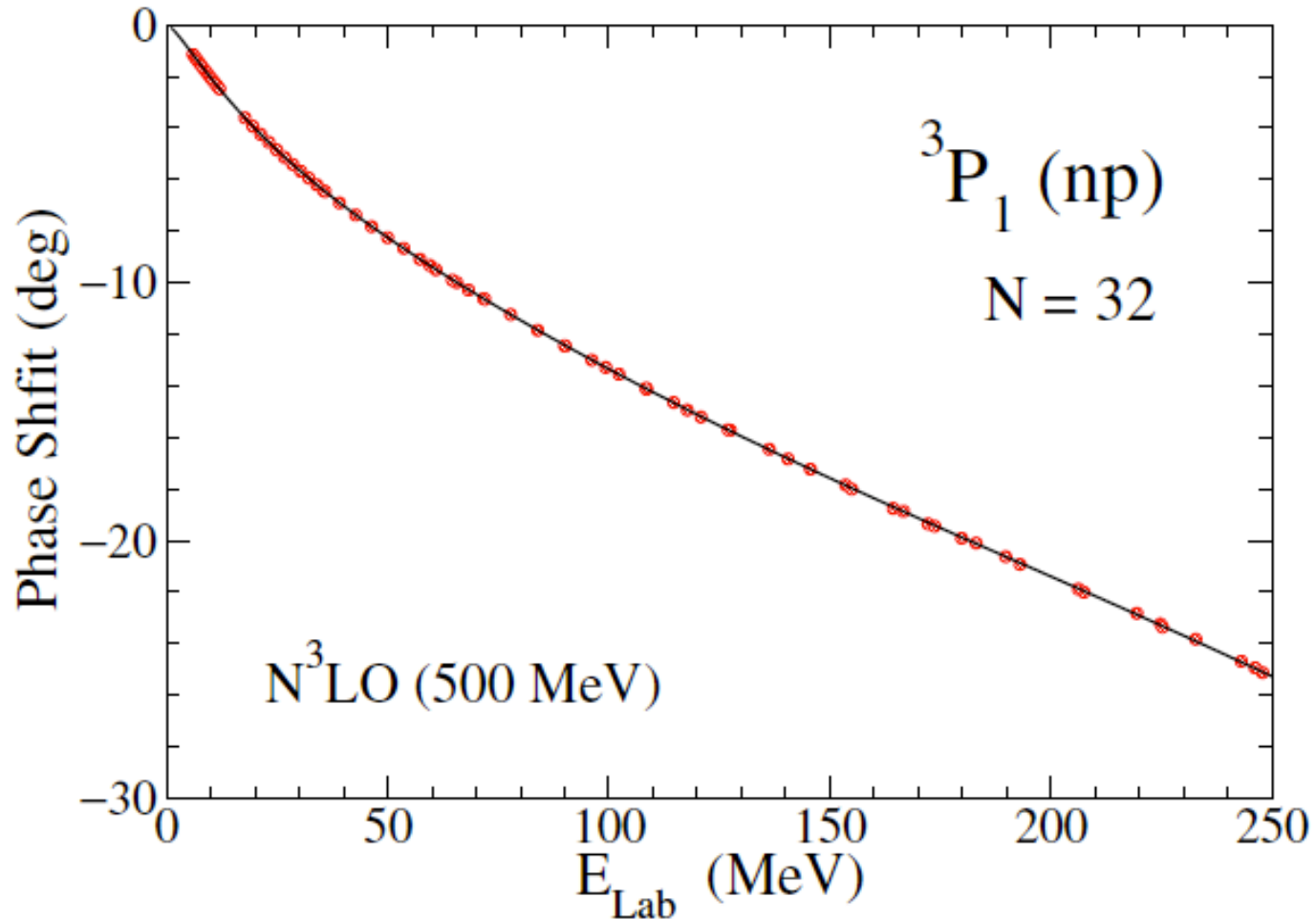


# Phase shifts computed directly in the HO basis

1. Compute states in channel  $l$  with positive energies  $E_i$  and momentum  $p_i$  in HO basis at fixed  $N$
2. In a box, the  $i^{\text{th}}$  state determines the box size  $L_i = L(p_i)$  at that energy via  $j_l(p_i L_i / \hbar) = 0$
3. Compute phase shift from usual formula:  $\tan \delta_l(k_i) = \frac{j_l(k_i L(\hbar k_i))}{\eta_l(k_i L(\hbar k_i))}$
4. Repeat for several  $\hbar\Omega$



## Phase shifts



Alternative approaches based on [Busch et al 1998] employ a harmonic potential and use  $\hbar\Omega \rightarrow 0$  for finite-range interactions.

T. Luu, M. J. Savage, A. Schwenk, and J. P. Vary, Phys. Rev. C 82, 034003 (2010).

I. Stetcu, J. Rotureau, B. R. Barrett, and U. van Kolck, J. Phys. G 37, 064033 (2010).

# How well can one distinguish $L_2$ in practice?

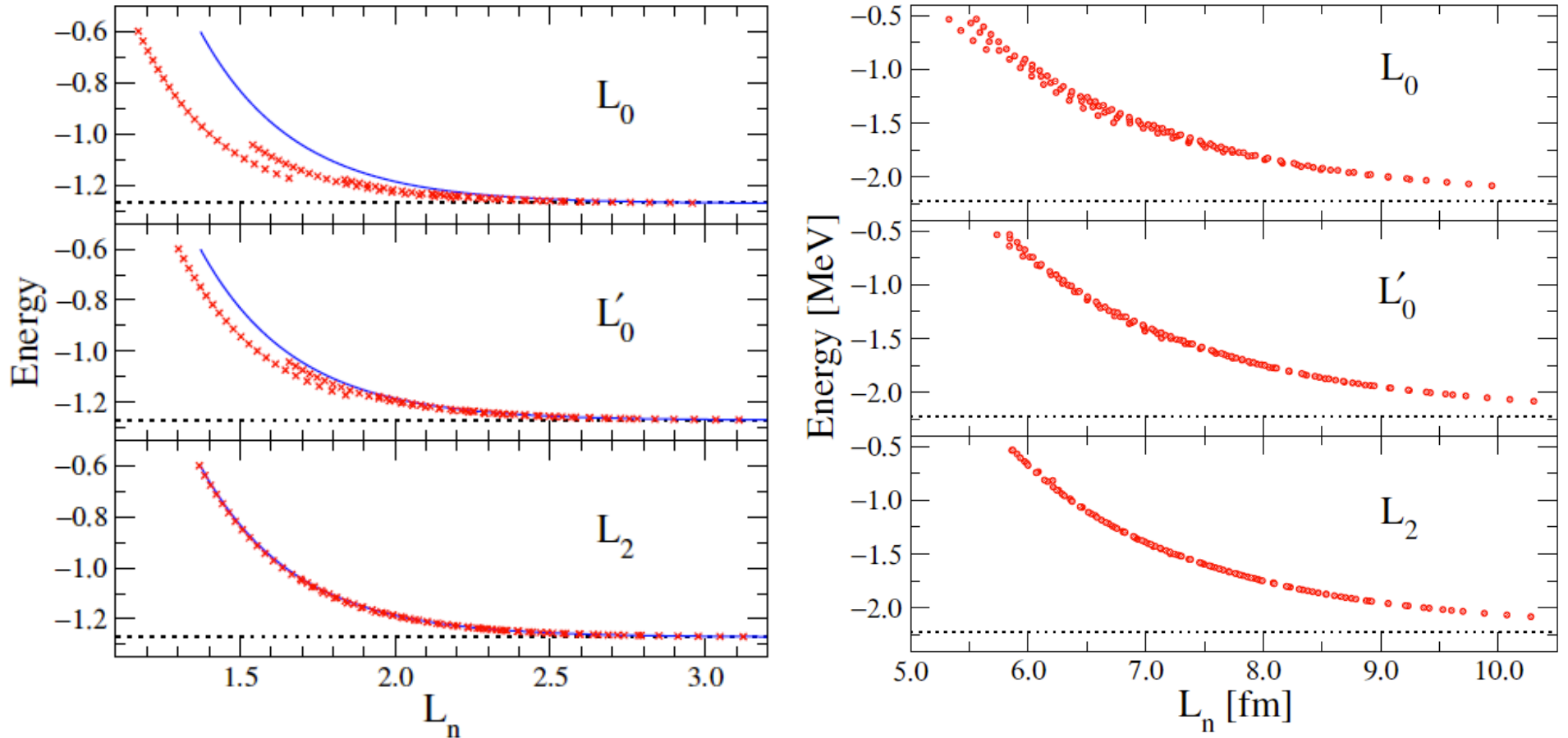
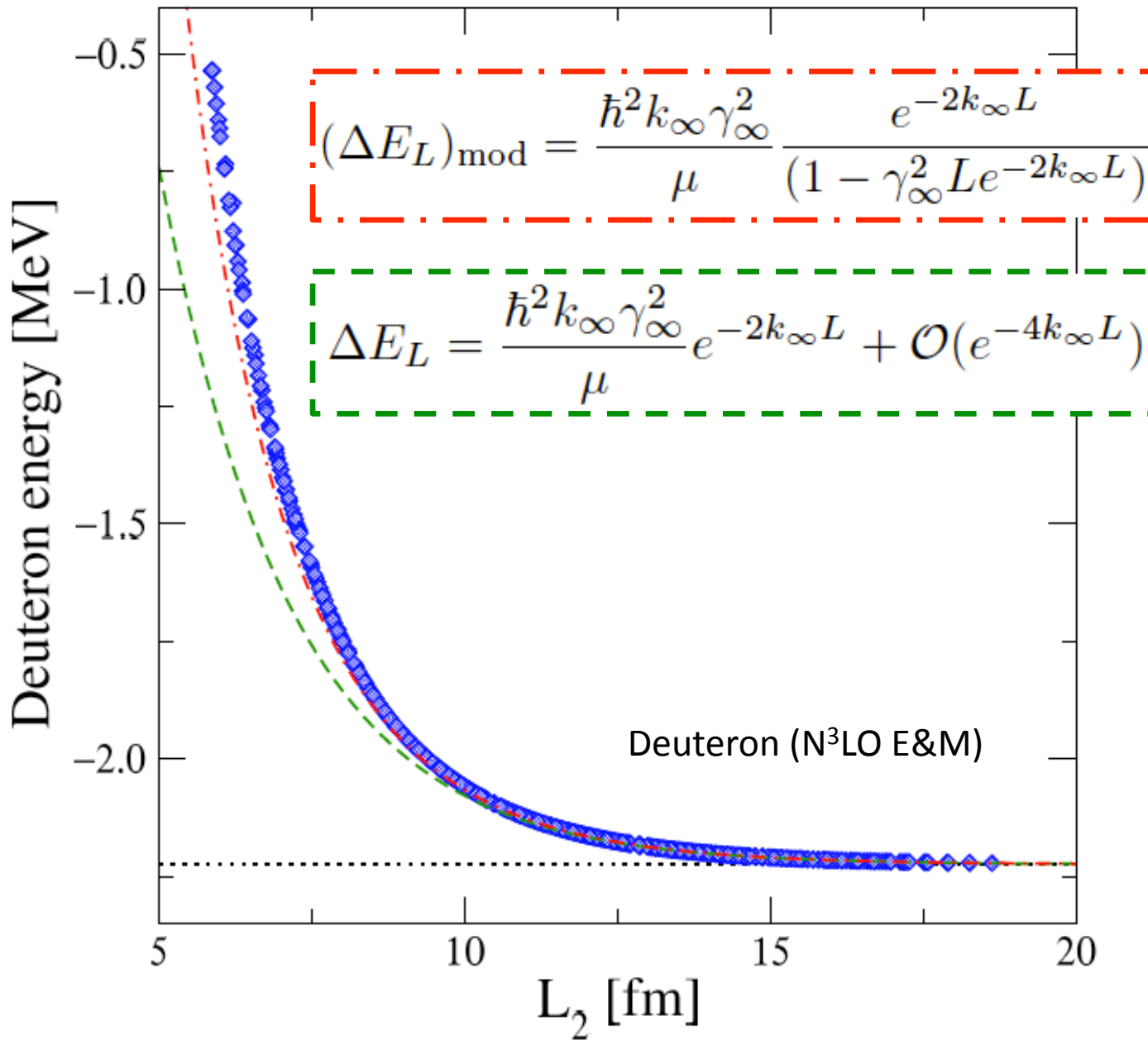


FIG. 2: (color online) Ground-state energies versus  $L_0$  (top),  $L'_0$  (middle), and  $L_2$  (bottom) for a Gaussian potential well Eq. (5) with  $V_0 = 5$  and  $R = 1$ . The crosses are the energies from HO basis truncation. The energies obtained by numerically solving the Schrödinger equation with a Dirichlet boundary condition at  $L$  lie on the solid line. The horizontal dotted lines mark the exact energy  $E_\infty = -1.27$ .

Deuteron ( $N^3$ LO E&M)

# Corrections for shallow bound states



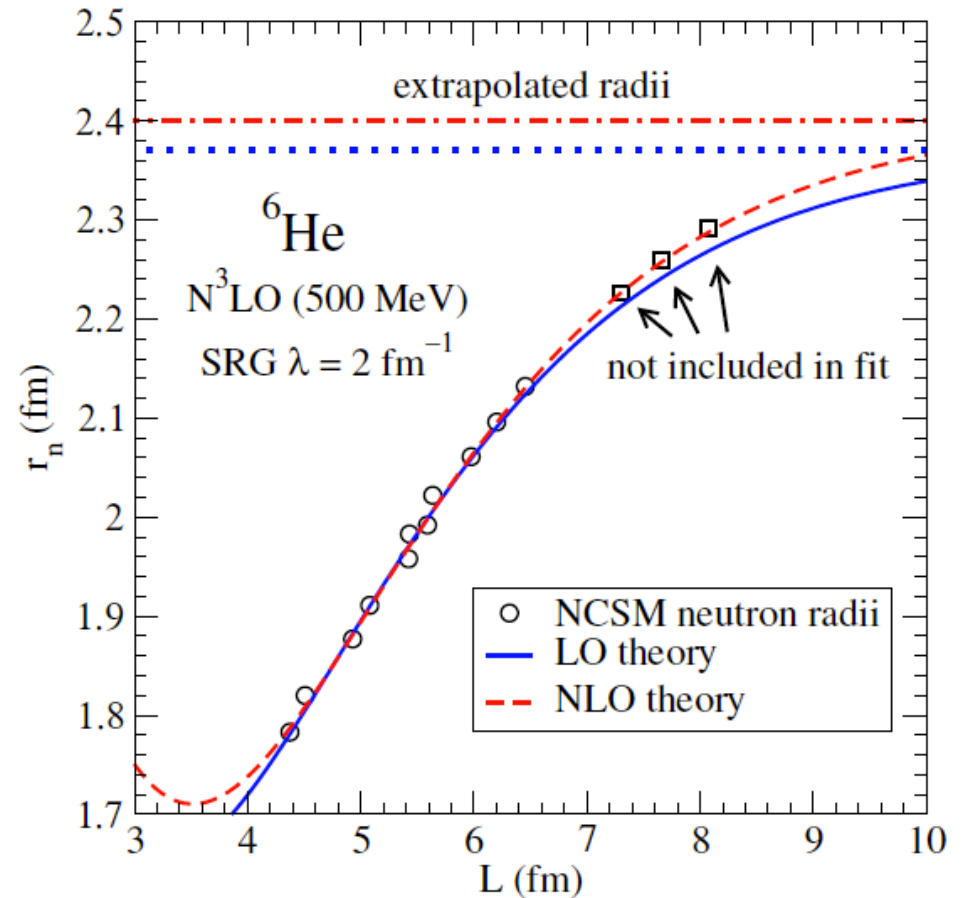
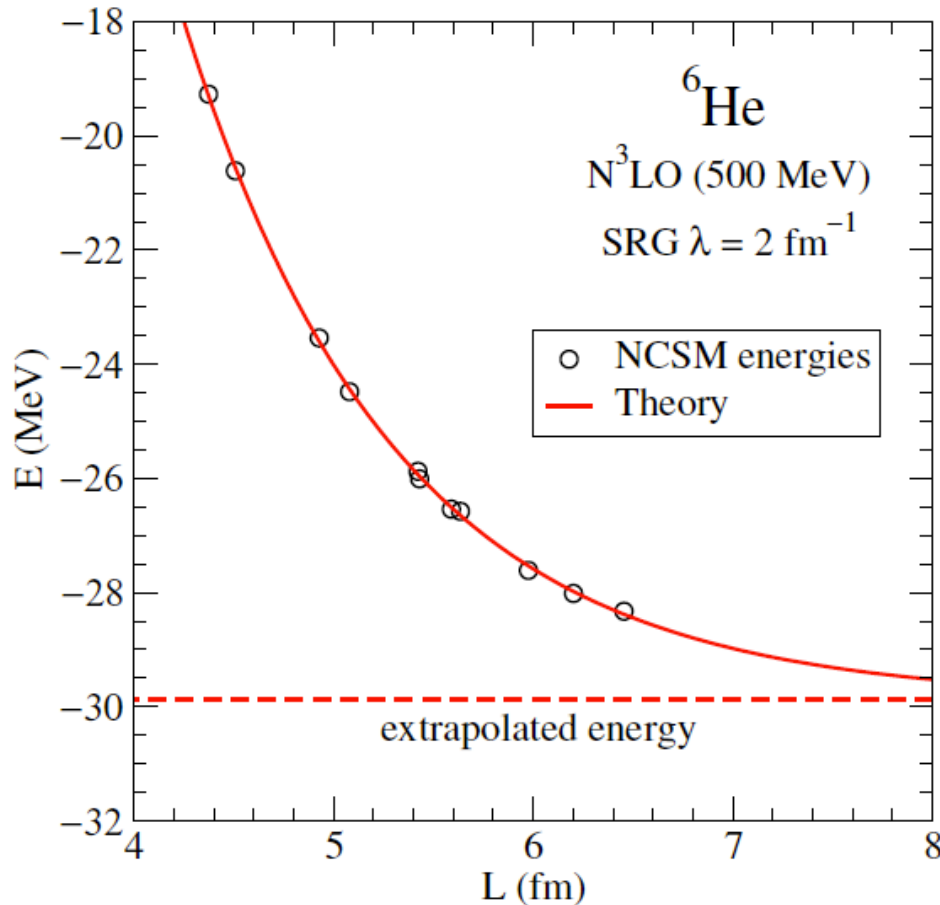
# Corrections due to finite Hilbert spaces

- UV practically converged (because  $\lambda < \Lambda_{UV}$ )
- IR convergence is slower due to exponential decay of wave function
- Dirichlet boundary condition at  $x=L$  in position space

$$E_L = E_\infty + a_0 e^{-2k_\infty L}$$

$$\langle r^2 \rangle_L \approx \langle r^2 \rangle_\infty [1 - (c_0 \beta^3 + c_1 \beta) e^{-\beta}]$$

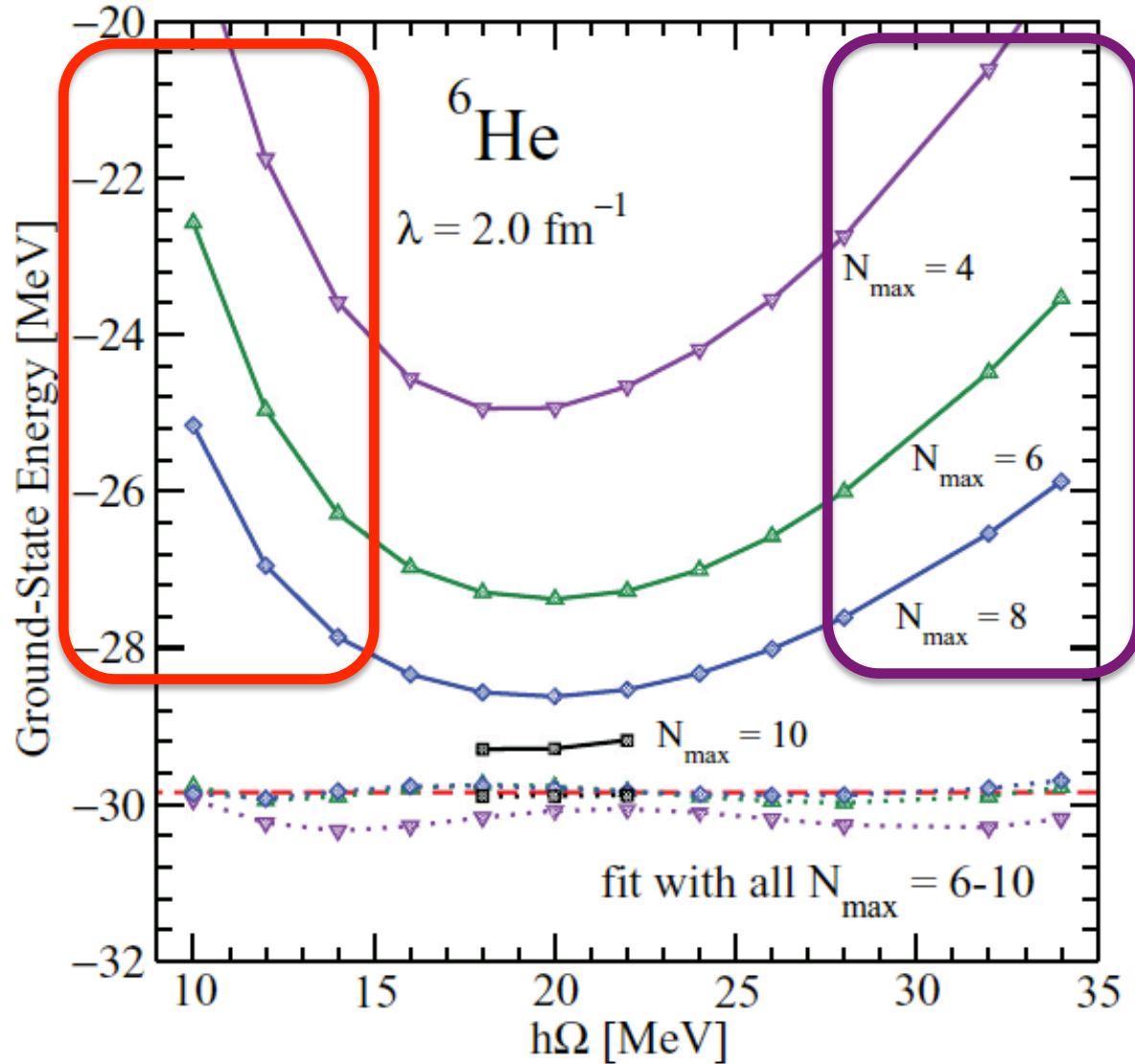
$$\beta \equiv 2k_\infty L$$



# Empirical approach: combined UV and IR fits for SRG interactions

$$E(\Lambda_{UV}, L) \approx E_{\infty} + A_0 e^{-2\Lambda_{UV}^2/A_1^2} + A_2 e^{-2k_{\infty}L}$$

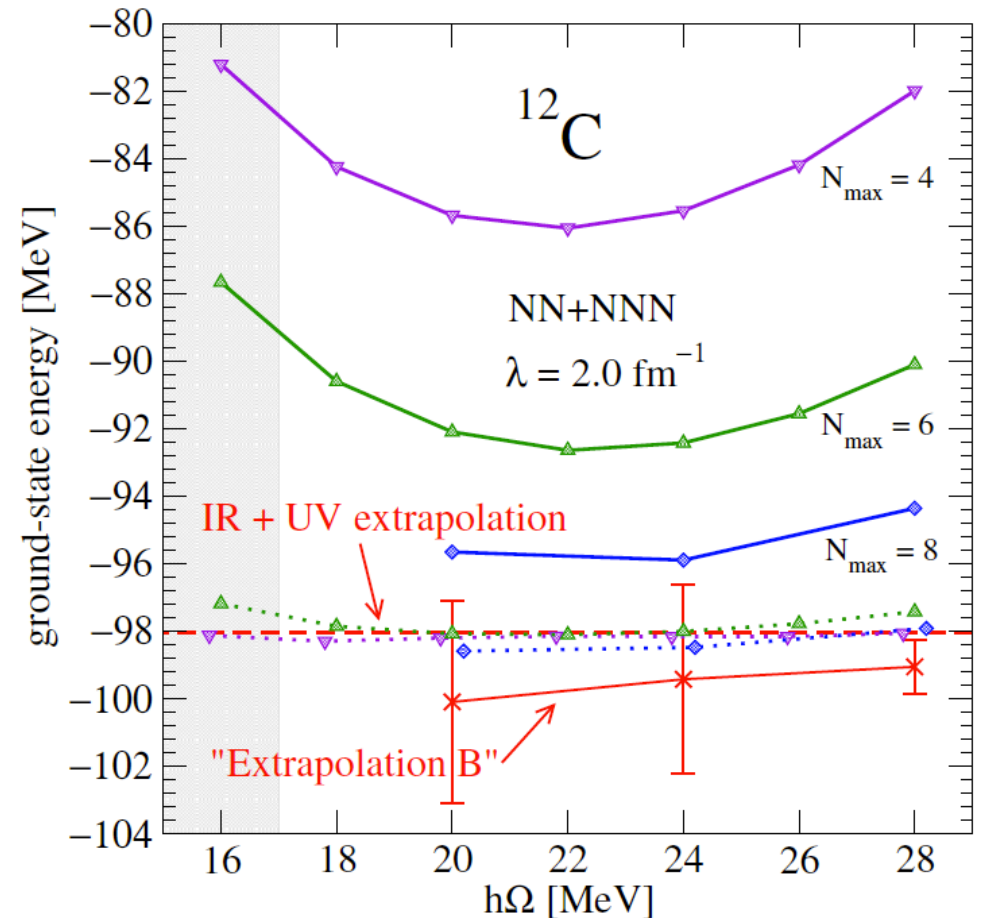
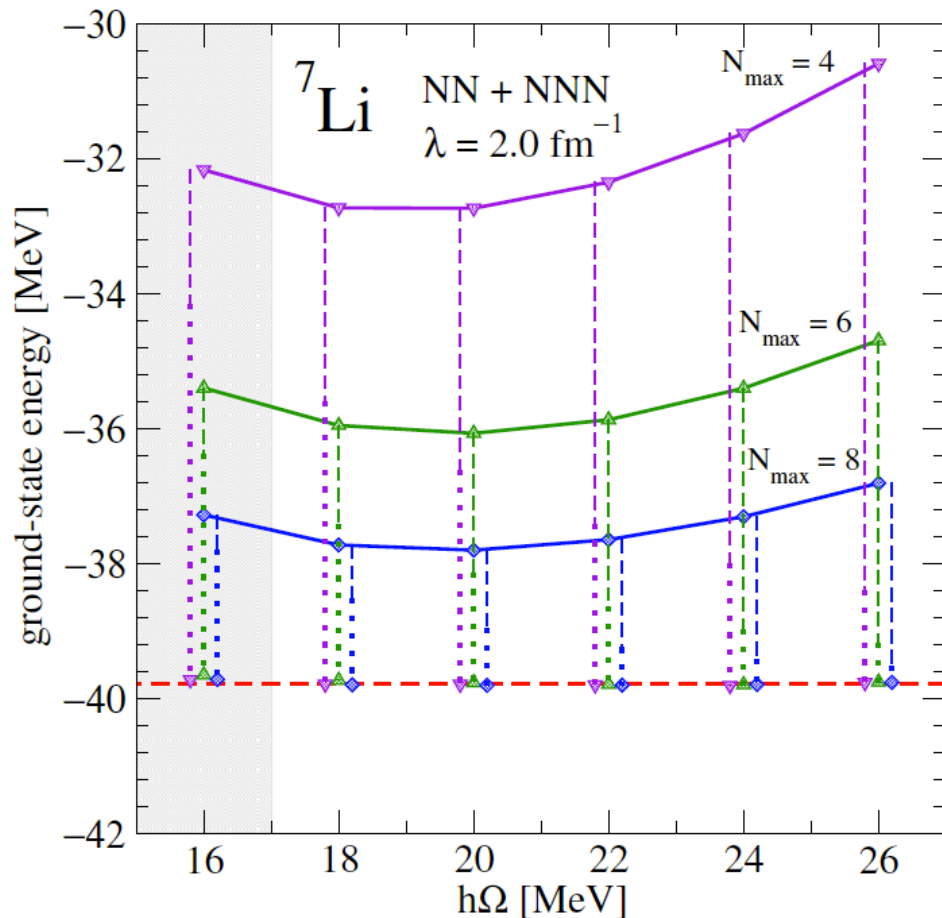
- At lower  $\hbar\Omega$ :
- IR converged
  - extrapolate UV



- At higher  $\hbar\Omega$ :
- UV converged
  - extrapolate IR

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$$E(\Lambda_{UV}, L) \approx E_{\infty} + A_0 e^{-2\Lambda_{UV}^2/A_1^2} + A_2 e^{-2k_{\infty}L}$$



Error analysis of combined extrapolation lacking. Goodness-of-fit can be estimated.

“Extrapolation B” from [Maris, Vary, Shirokov, Phys. Rev. C 79, 014308 (2009)]

Figures from [Jurgenson, Maris, Furnstahl, Navratil, Ormand, Vary arXiv:1302.5473]

# Recipe

1. Perform calculations at sufficiently large values of  $\hbar\Omega$  (these have small or no UV corrections)
2. Plot results (energies, radii) vs.  $L_2$  (UV converged results are expected to fall onto a single line)
3. Perform fit to extrapolation formulas and read off asymptotic value
4. General: Compute IR and UV cutoffs from diagonalization of  $p^2$



# Summary

- Much improved understanding of IR properties of HO basis
- At low momenta, HO basis behaves as a box of size  $L_2$
- $\pi/L_2$  is the IR cutoff
- Computation of phase shifts directly from the positive energy states in HO basis
- Energy extrapolation law expressed solely in terms of observables
- Corrections for shallow bound states worked out

Outlook: IR properties in *any localized* basis

- Diagonalize operator  $p^2$  in a given model space  $\rightarrow$  IR and UV cutoffs, and  $L$  for this model space.
- Be in the UV-converged regime.
- Plot energies and radii as a function of  $L$ , and extrapolate.

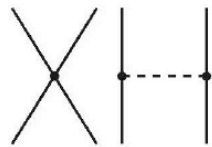
# Optimization of chiral interaction an NNLO

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## 2N Force

## 3N Force

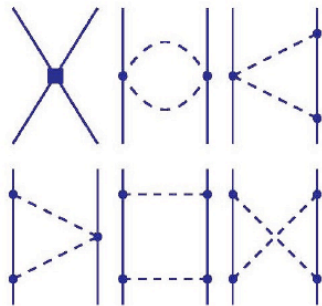
**LO**  
 $(Q/\Lambda_\chi)^0$



Kept fixed

$m_{\pi^+}, m_{\pi^-}, m_{\pi^0}, m_n, m_p, g_A, f_\pi, \Lambda_{LS}, \Lambda_\chi$

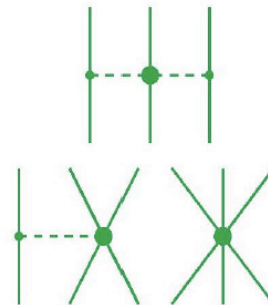
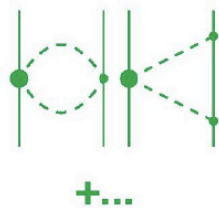
**NLO**  
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Adjusted parameters

$\tilde{C}_{1S_0}^{pp}, \tilde{C}_{1S_0}^{nn}, \tilde{C}_{1S_0}^{np}, \tilde{C}_{3S_1}$   
 $C_{1S_0}, C_{3P_0}, C_{1P_1}, C_{3P_1}, C_{3S_1}, C_{3S_1-3D_1}, C_{3P_2}$   
 $c_1, c_3, c_4, (c_D, c_E)$

**NNLO**  
 $(Q/\Lambda_\chi)^3$



Weinberg; van Kolck; Epelbaum, Glöckle & Meißner; Entem & Machleidt; Krebs; ...

# Optimization to phase shifts; $\chi^2$ from data

$$f(\vec{x}) = \sum_{q=1}^{N_q} \left( \frac{\delta_q^{\text{NNLO}}(\vec{x}) - \delta_q^{\text{Nijm93}}}{w_q} \right)^2$$

Weights for contacts scale as  $Q^3$ ; for pion-nucleon couplings from Nijmegen analysis

Pion nucleon couplings determined from fits to peripheral D, F, G partial waves (NNLO contacts do not contribute for  $L \geq 2$ )

$\pi N$ LEC	$\pi N$ -scattering <sup>1</sup>	NN-PWA <sup>2</sup>	NNLO <sup>3</sup>	N3LO	POUNDerS
$c_1$ [GeV <sup>-1</sup> ]	$-0.81 \pm 0.15$	$-0.76 \pm 0.07$	-0.81	-0.81	-0.9186
$c_3$ [GeV <sup>-1</sup> ]	$-4.69 \pm 1.34$	$-4.78 \pm 0.10$	-3.40	-3.20	-3.8887
$c_4$ [GeV <sup>-1</sup> ]	$+3.40 \pm 0.04$	$+3.96 \pm 0.22$	+3.40	+5.40	+4.3103

<sup>1</sup>  $\pi N$  Fit 1, in P. Büttiker, U-G. Meißner Nucl. Phys. A 668, 97 (2000)

<sup>2</sup> NN PWA, in M. C. M. Rentmeester et al. Phys. Rev C 67 044001 (2003)

<sup>3</sup> E. Epelbaum et al., Eur. Phys. J. A19, 401 (2004)

# $\chi^2/\text{datum}$ , $np$ scattering data (1999 database)

The previous picture...

$T_{\text{lab}}$ bin (MeV)	N3LO	NNLO <sup>1</sup>	NLO <sup>1</sup>	AV18
0-100	1.06	1.71	5.20	0.95
100-190	1.08	12.9	49.3	1.10
190-290	1.15	19.2	68.3	1.11
<b>0-290</b>	<b>1.10</b>	<b>10.1</b>	<b>36.2</b>	<b>1.04</b>

<sup>1</sup> E. Epelbaum et al., Eur. Phys. J. A19, 401 (2004)

... changes with POUNDerS

$T_{\text{lab}}$ bin (MeV)	POUNDerS-NNLO(500)
0-35	0.85
35-125	1.17
125-183	1.87
183-290	6.09
<b>0-290</b>	<b>2.95</b>

# $\chi^2$ /datum, $pp$ scattering data (1999 database)

The previous picture...

$T_{\text{lab}}$ bin (MeV)	N3LO	NNLO <sup>1</sup>	NLO <sup>1</sup>	AV18
0-100	1.05	6.66	57.8	0.96
100-190	1.50	28.3	62.0	1.31
190-290	1.93	66.8	111.6	1.82
<b>0-290</b>	<b>1.50</b>	<b>35.4</b>	<b>80.1</b>	<b>1.38</b>

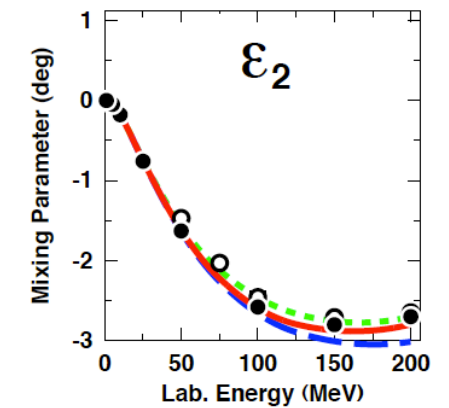
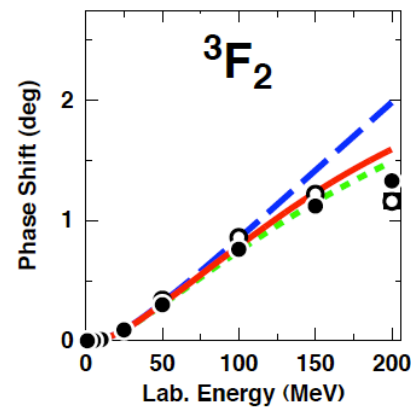
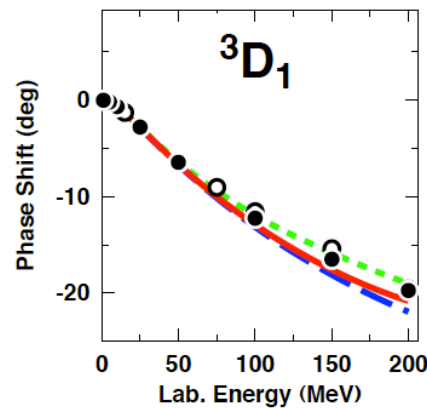
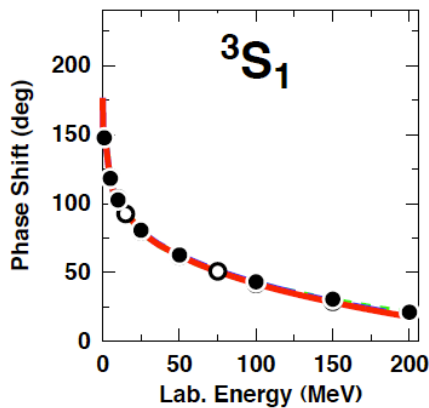
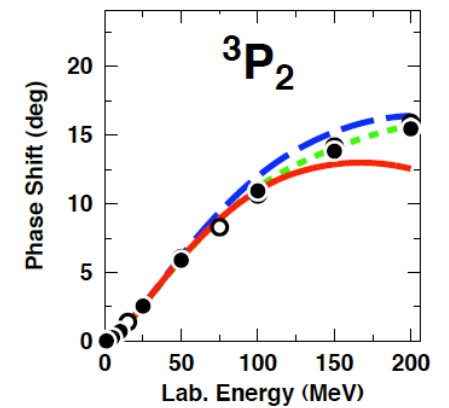
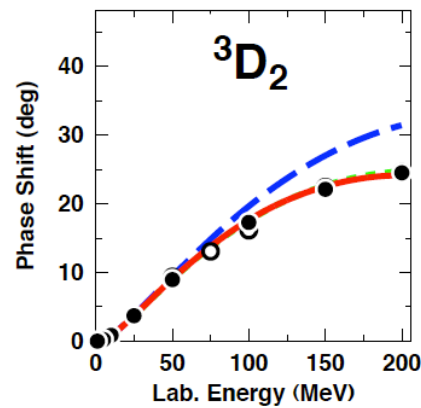
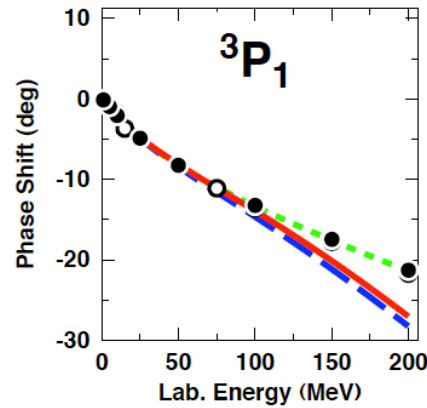
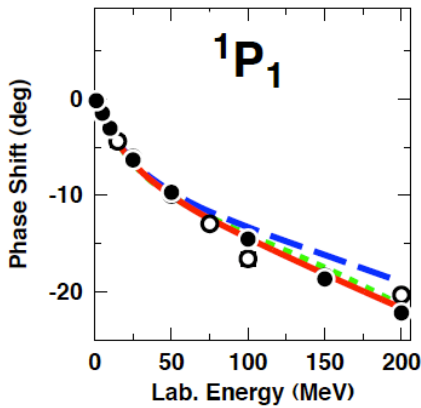
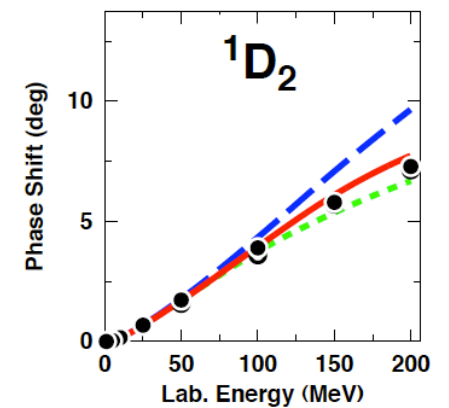
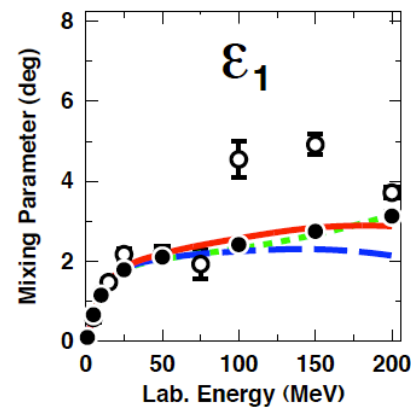
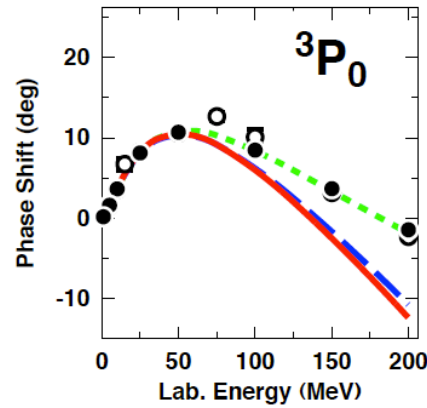
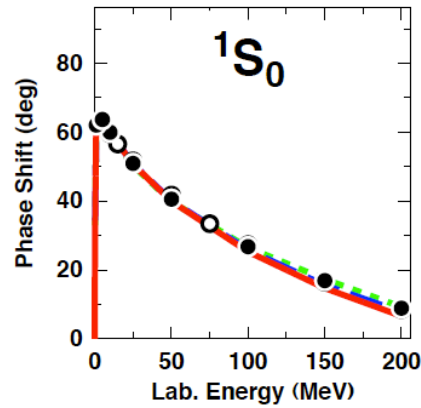
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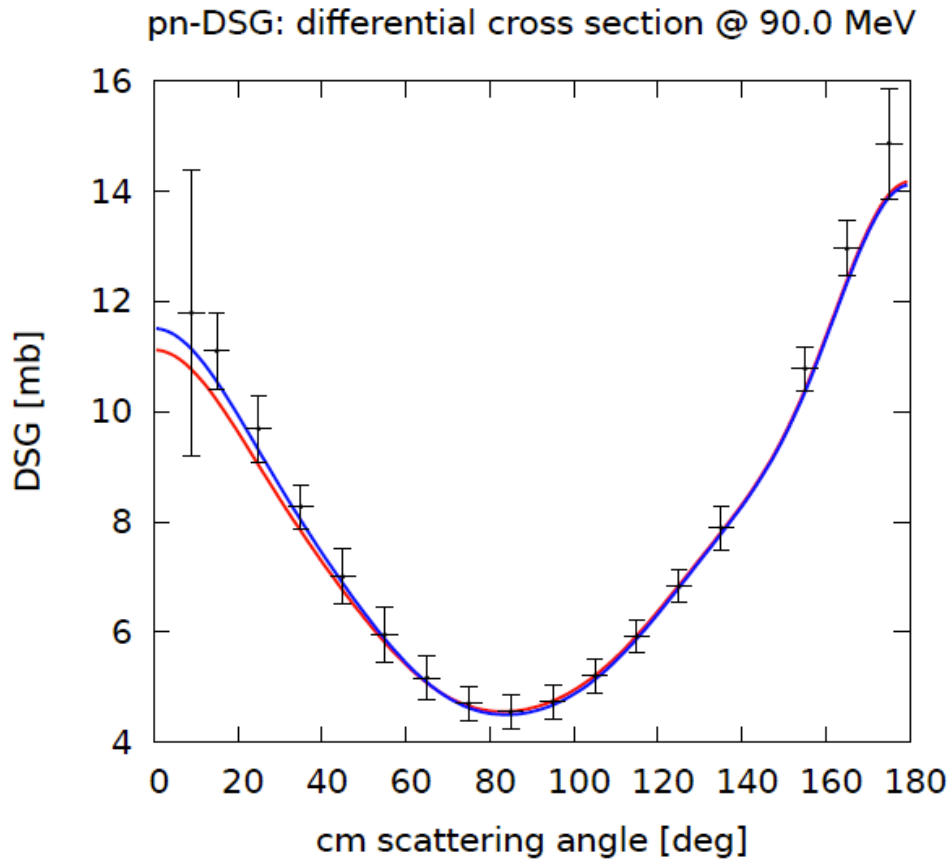
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<b>0-290</b>	<b>17.10 (14.03)<sup>2</sup></b>

<sup>2</sup> Total (0-290) MeV  $pp$   $\chi^2$ /datum when excluding two low-uncertainty data sets.

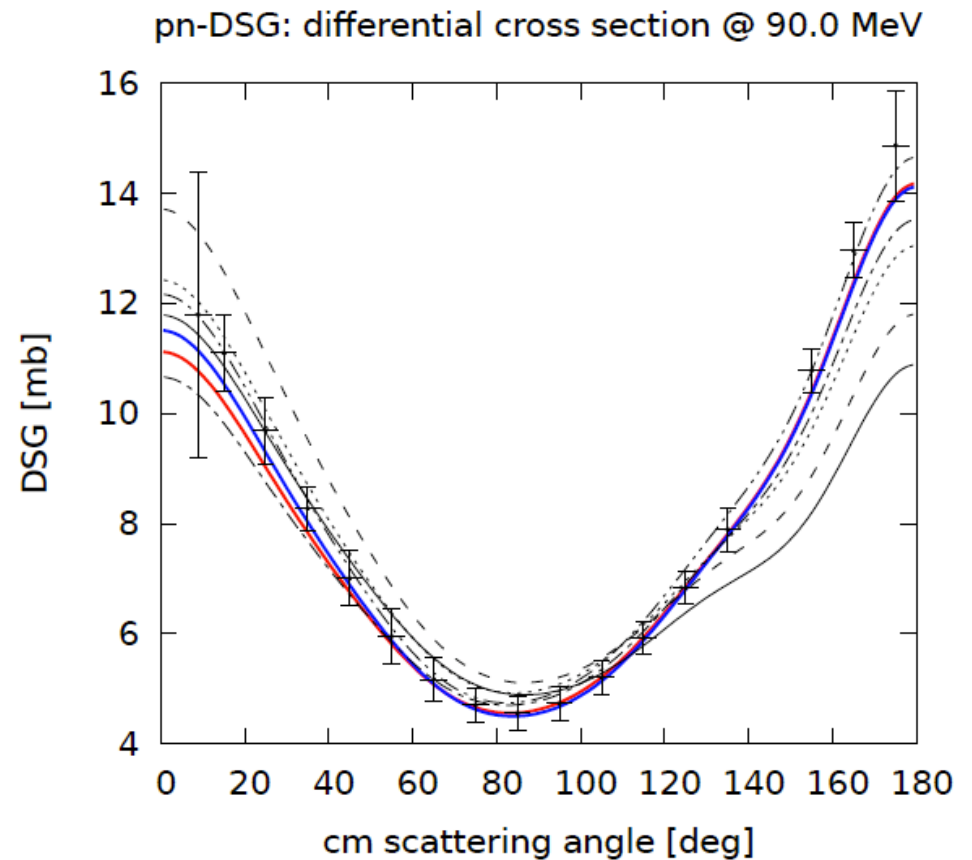
# Optimization with POUNDerS



# Differential cross sections at 90 MeV



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IDAHO-N3LO[500] ————  
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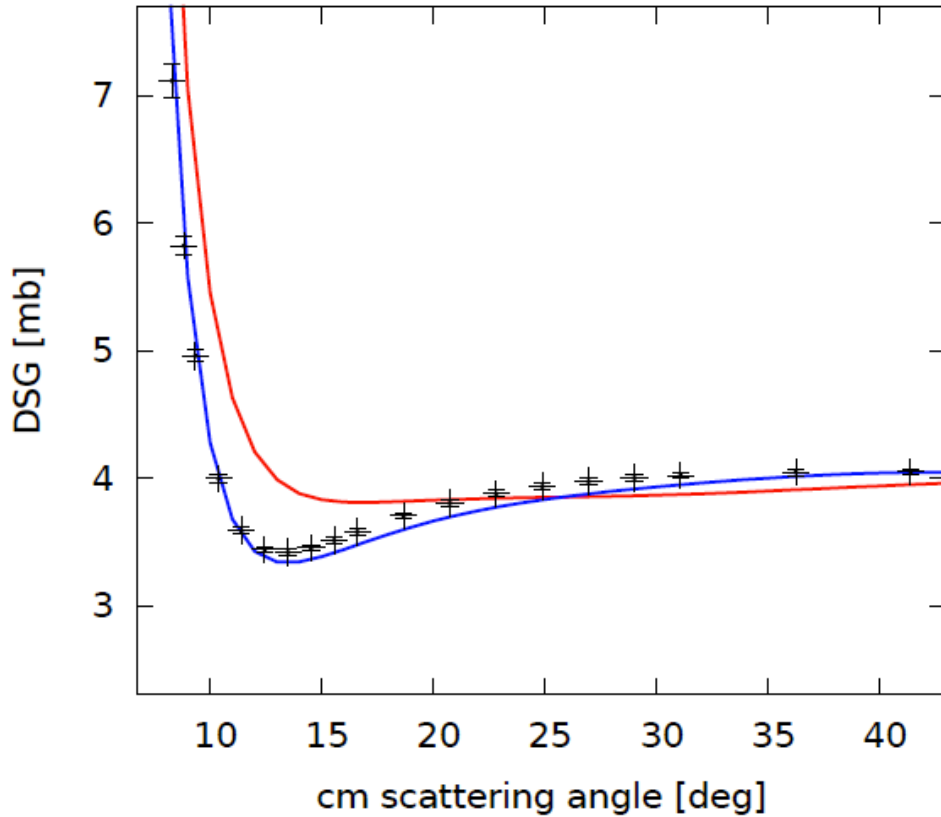


POUNDERS-N2LO[500] ————  
IDAHO-N3LO[500] ————  
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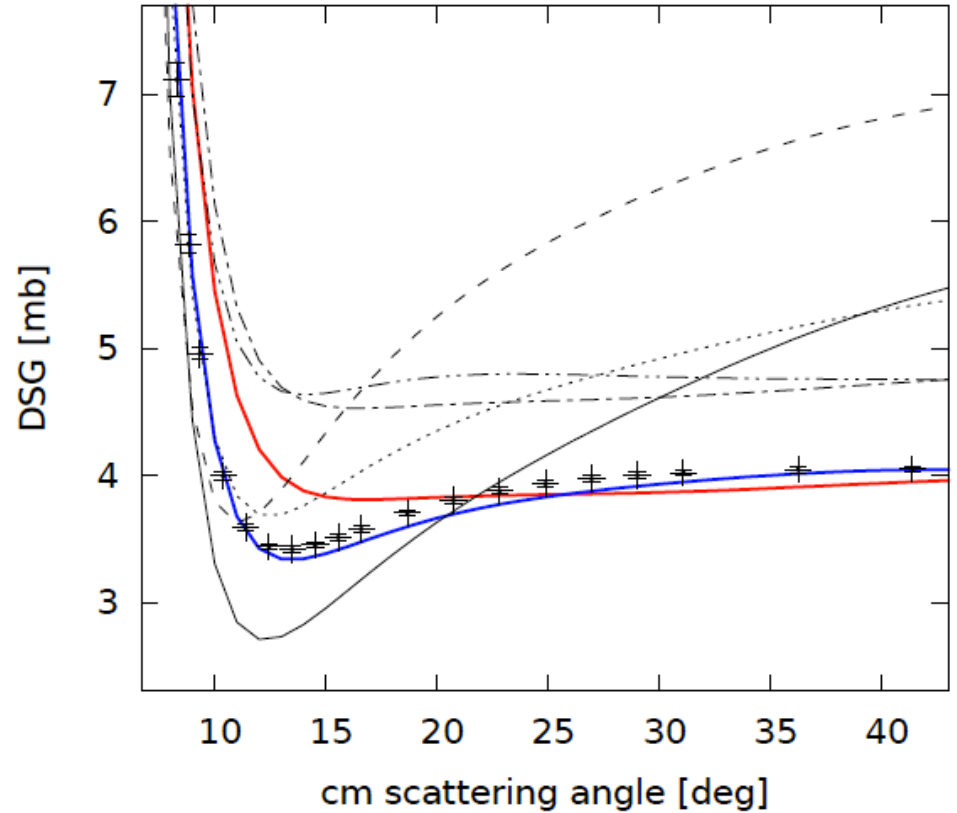
# Differential cross sections at 144 MeV

pp-DSG: differential cross section @ 144.0 MeV



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 IDAHO-N3LO[500] ————  
 experiment —+—+

pp-DSG: differential cross section @ 144.0 MeV



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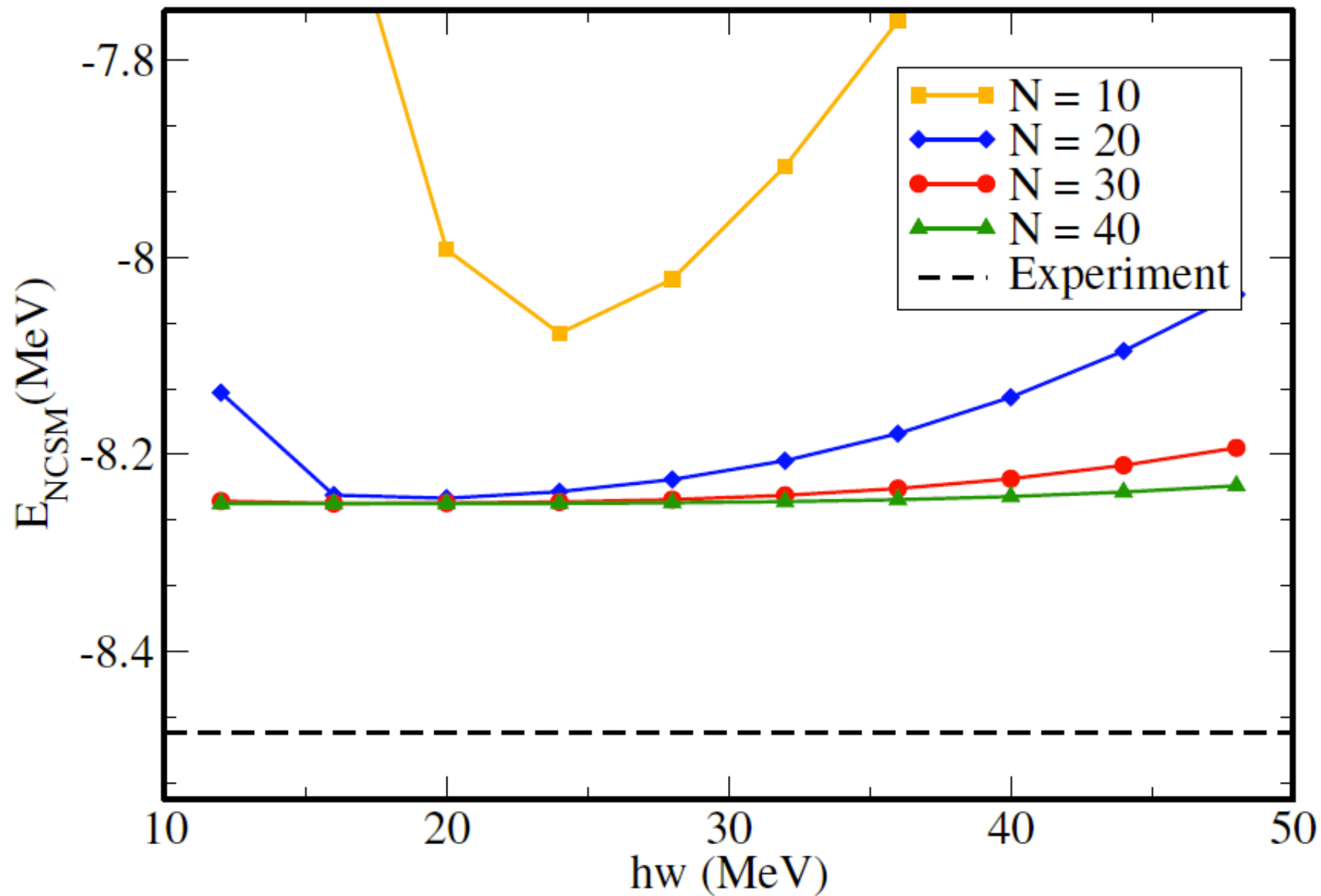
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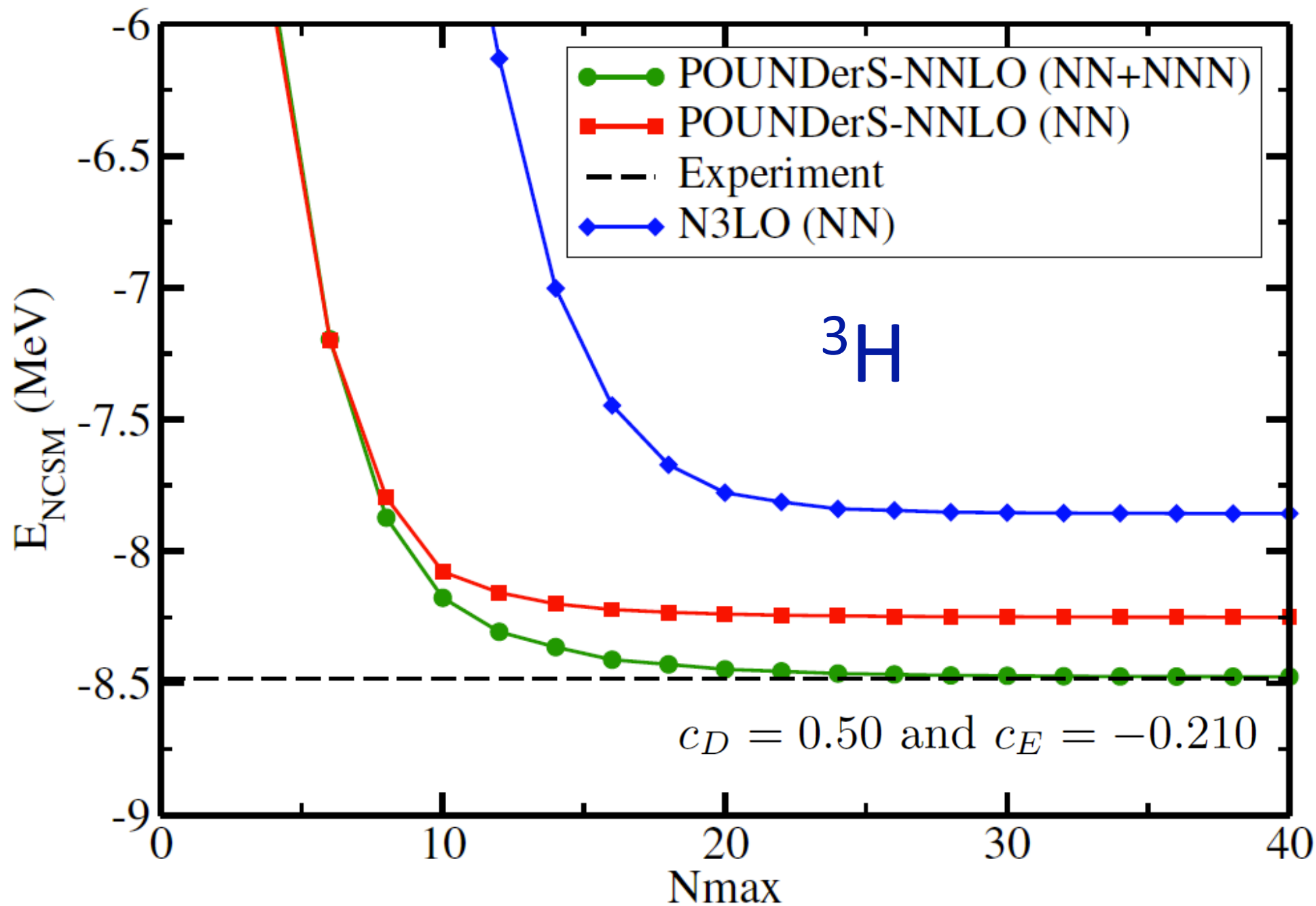


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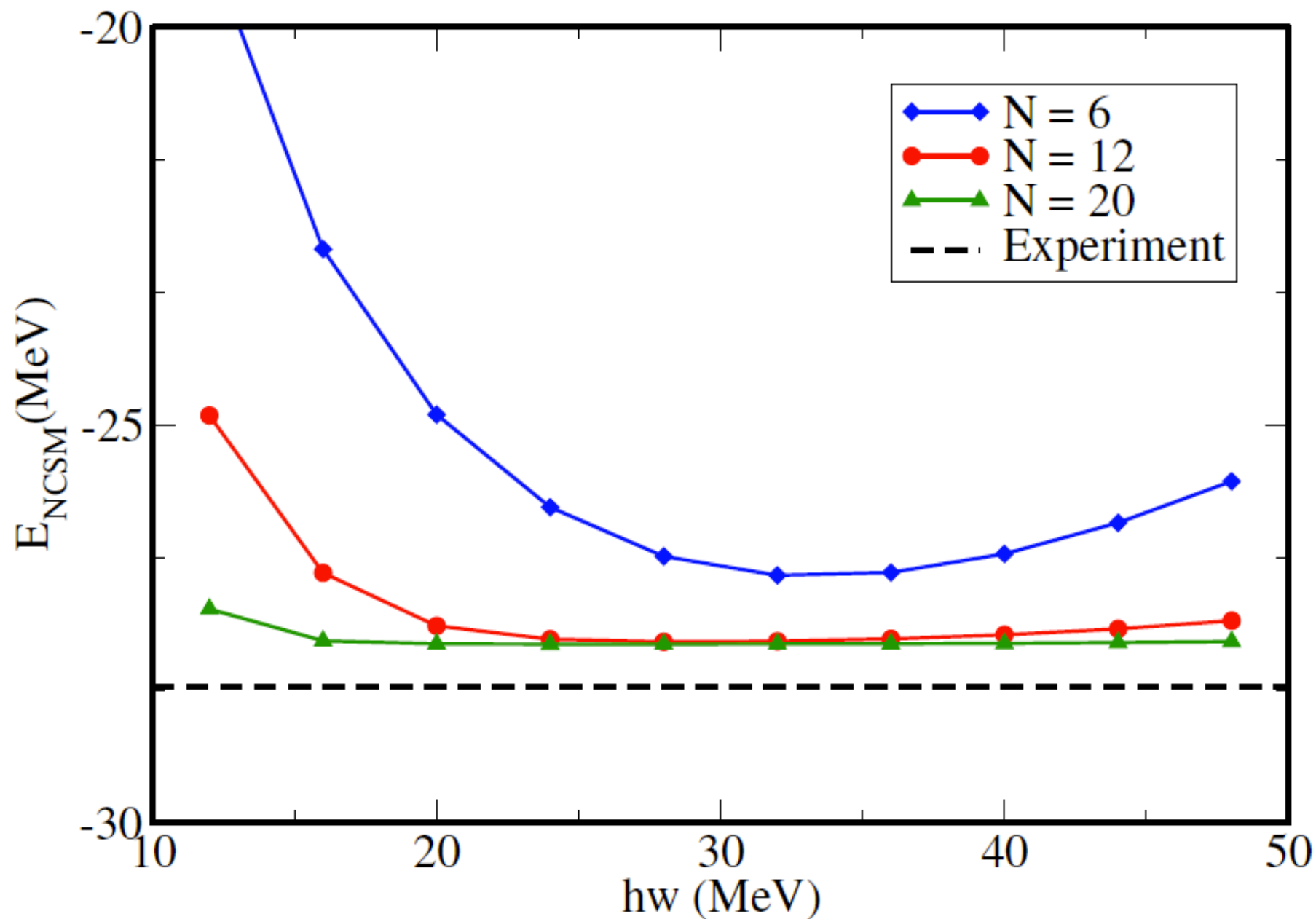
	$N^3\text{LO}_{\text{EM}}$	$\text{NNLO}_{\text{opt}}$	Exp.
$a_{pp}^C$	-7.8188	-7.8174	-7.8196(26) -7.8149(29)
$r_{pp}^C$	2.795	2.755	2.790(14) 2.769(14)
$a_{pp}^N$	-17.083	-17.825	
$r_{pp}^N$	2.876	2.817	
$a_{nn}$	-18.900	-18.889	-18.95(40)
$r_{nn}$	2.838	2.797	2.75(11)
$a_{np}$	-23.732	-23.749	-23.740(20)
$r_{np}$	2.725	2.684	2.77(5)
$B_D$ (MeV)	2.224575	2.224582	2.224575(9)
$r_D$ (fm)	1.975	1.967	1.97535(85)
$Q_D$ (fm <sup>2</sup> )	0.275	0.272	0.2859(3)
$P_D$ (%)	4.51	4.05	

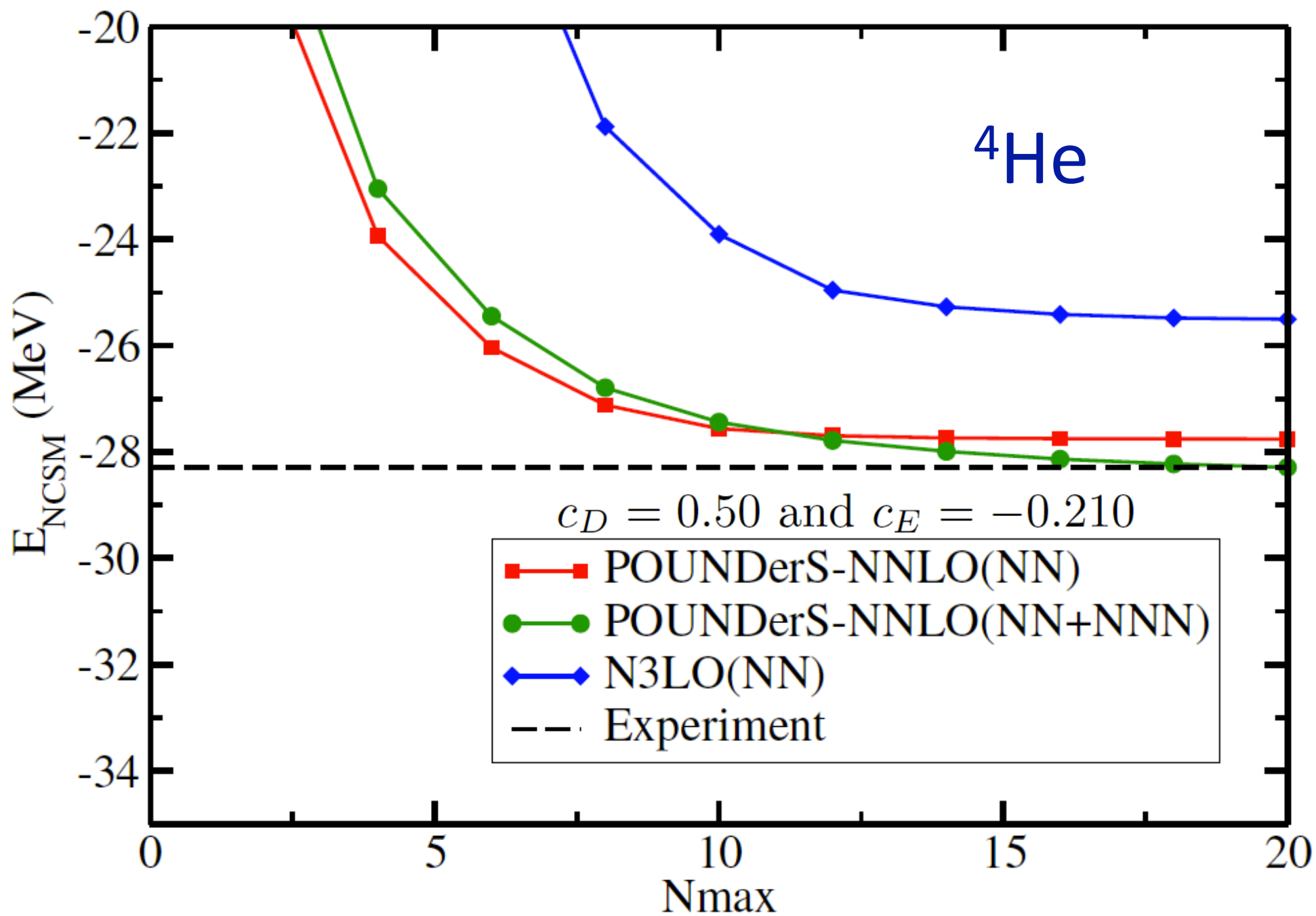
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# $^4\text{He}$ , NNLO (POUNDerS)





# Three nucleon force

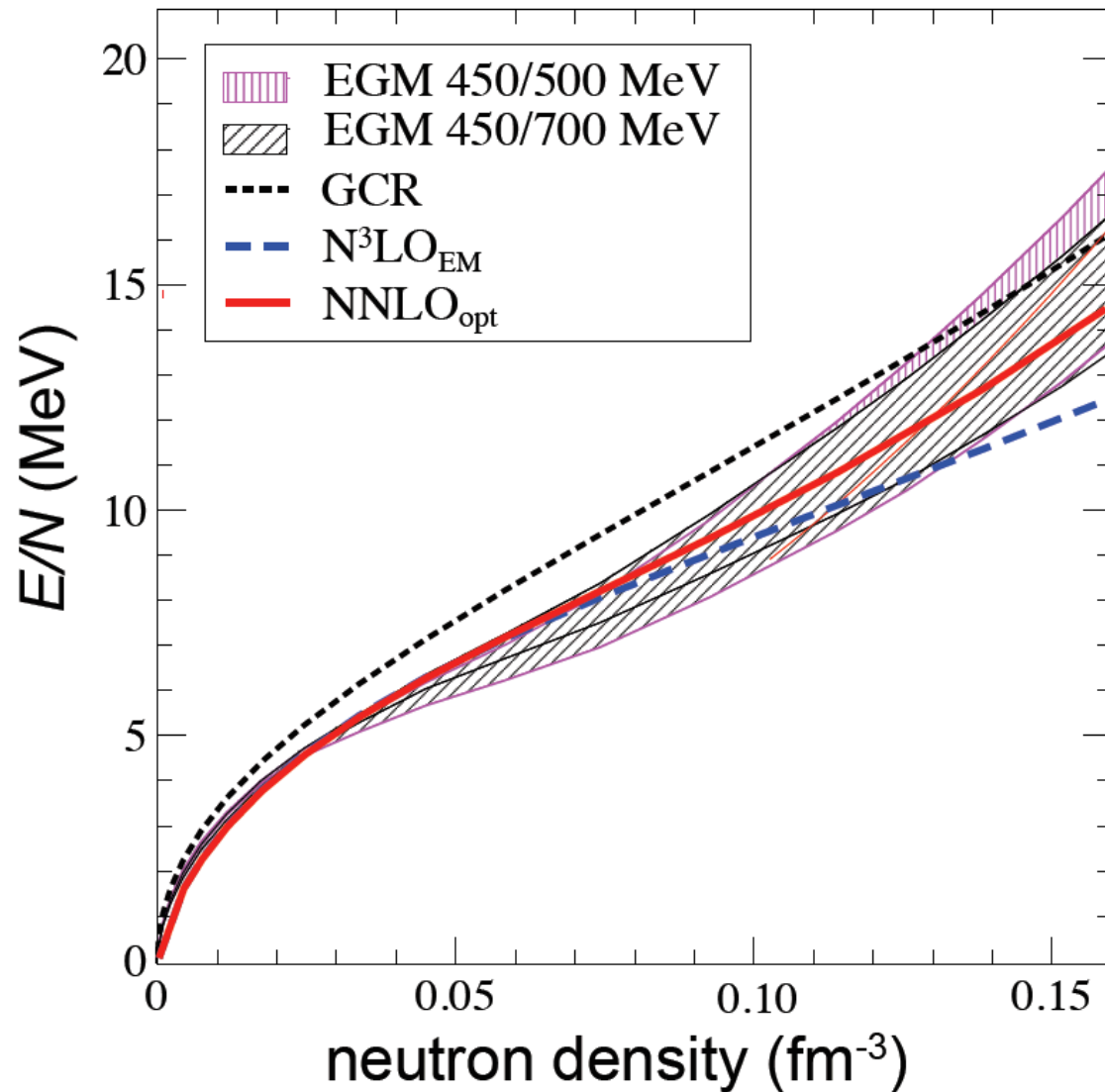
Local form of 3NF [Navratil, Few Body Syst. 41, 117 (2007)] based on [Epelbaum et al., Phys. Rev. C 66, 064001 (2002)].

TABLE IV. Ground-state energies (in MeV) and point proton radii (in fm) for  ${}^3\text{H}$ ,  ${}^3\text{He}$ , and  ${}^4\text{He}$  using the  $\text{NNLO}_{\text{opt}}$  with and without the NNLO 3NF interaction for  $c_D = -0.20$  and  $c_E = -0.36$ .

	$E({}^3\text{H})$	$E({}^3\text{He})$	$E({}^4\text{He})$	$r_p({}^4\text{He})$
NNLO	-8.249	-7.501	-27.759	1.43(8)
NNLO+NNN	-8.469	-7.722	-28.417	1.43(8)
Experiment	-8.482	-7.717	-28.296	1.467(13)

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# Neutron matter with optimized chiral interactions at NNLO



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Phys. Rev. C 85, 032801 (2012)

EGM=I. Tews, T. Krüger, K.  
Hebeler, and A. Schwenk, Phys.  
Rev. Lett. 110, 032504 (2013)

Pauli-operator from [Suzuki  
et al. (2000)]; Coupled  
cluster (and Bruckner HF)

# Summary

- Optimization of chiral interaction at NNLO
- acceptable  $\chi^2 \approx 1$  per degree of freedom for lab energies  $\lesssim 125$  MeV
- NN interactions alone reproduce essential features in isotopes of oxygen and calcium  $\rightarrow$  Gustav Jansen's talk this afternoon