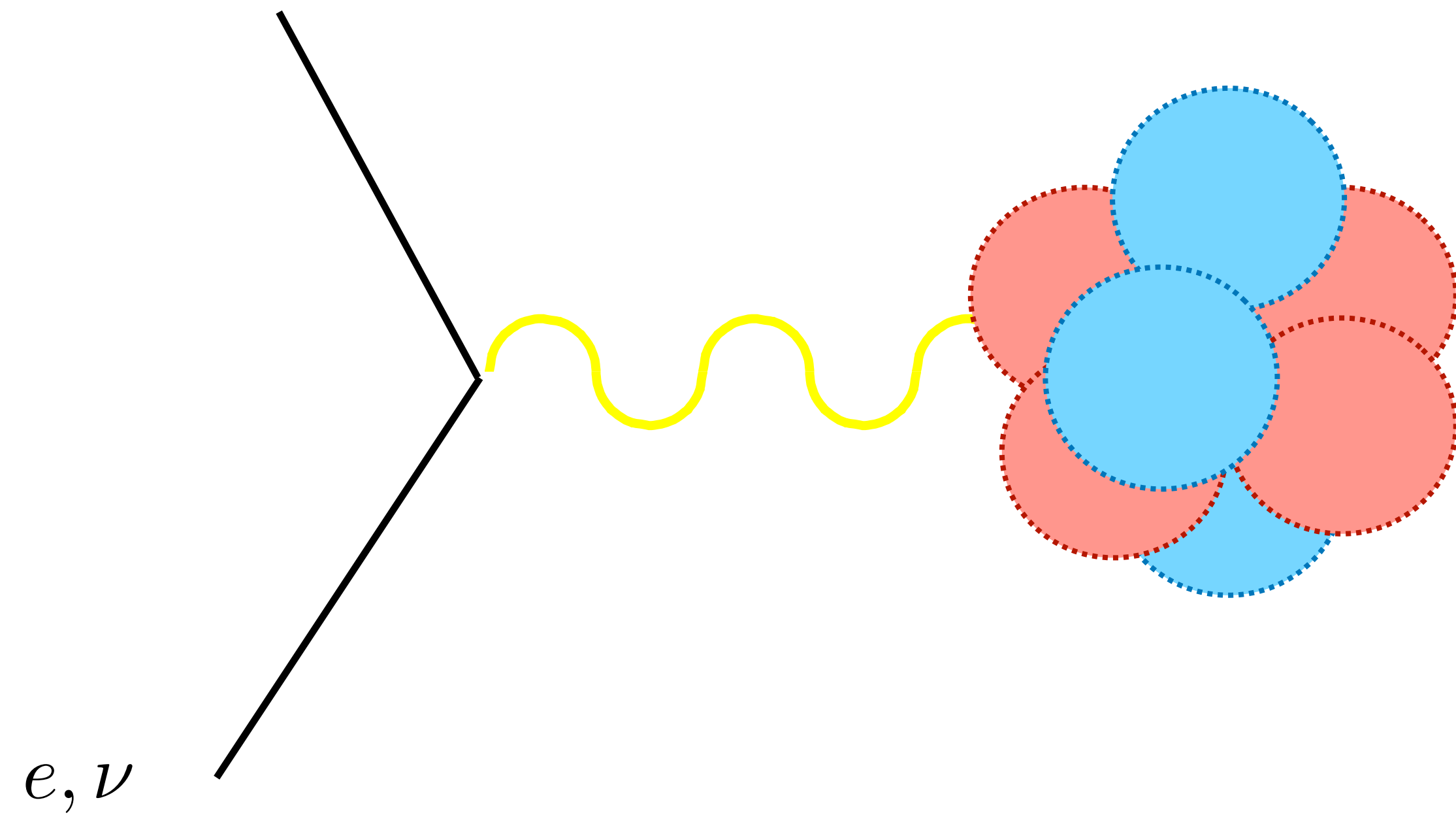


Uncertainty quantification in electroweak reactions

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Electroweak Reactions



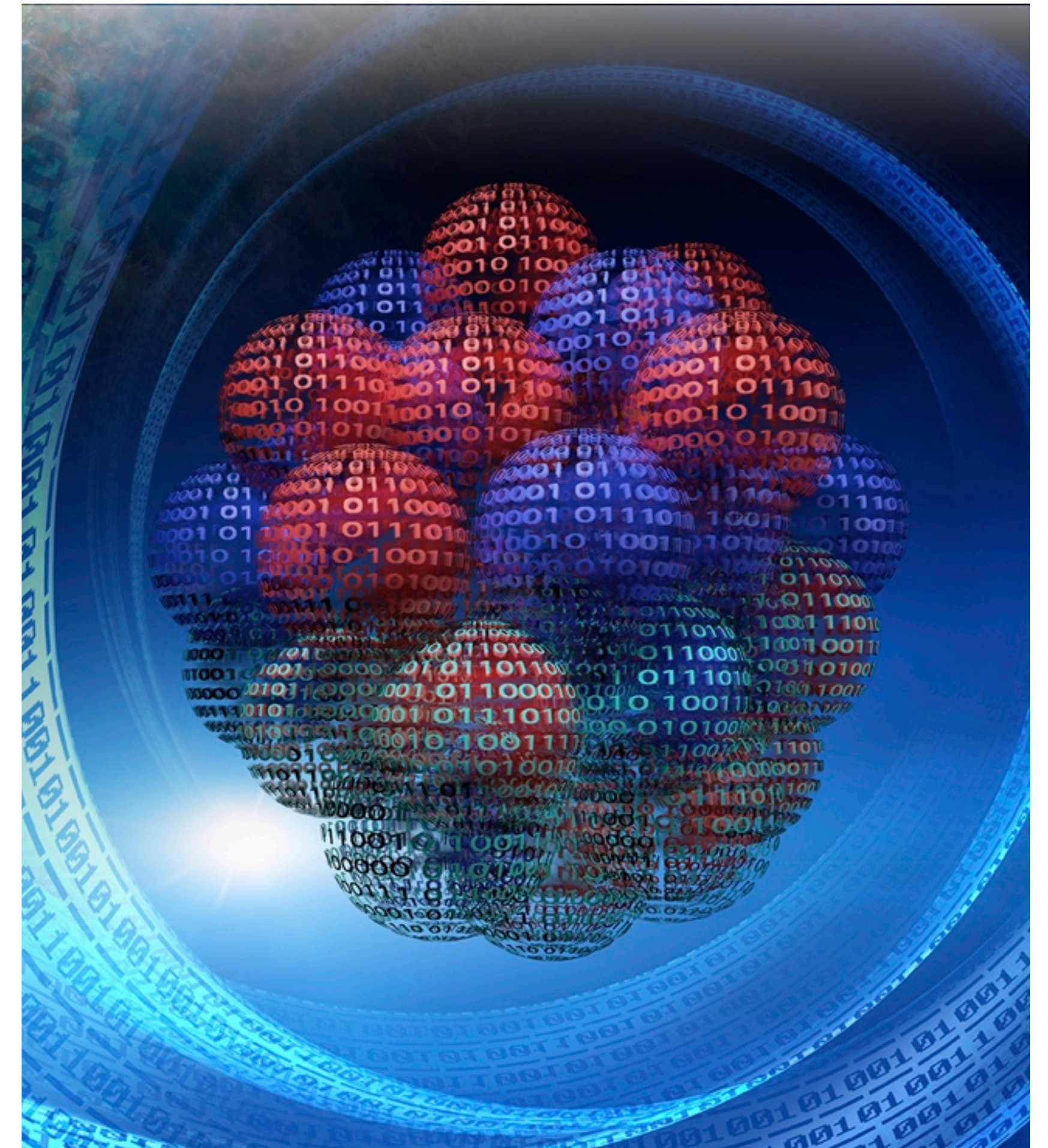
The ab-initio approach

- Start from protons and neutrons
- Solve the quantum mechanics of $A=Z+N$ interacting nucleons

$$H|\Psi\rangle = E|\Psi\rangle$$

$$H = T + V$$

- Find numerically exact solutions or controlled approximations



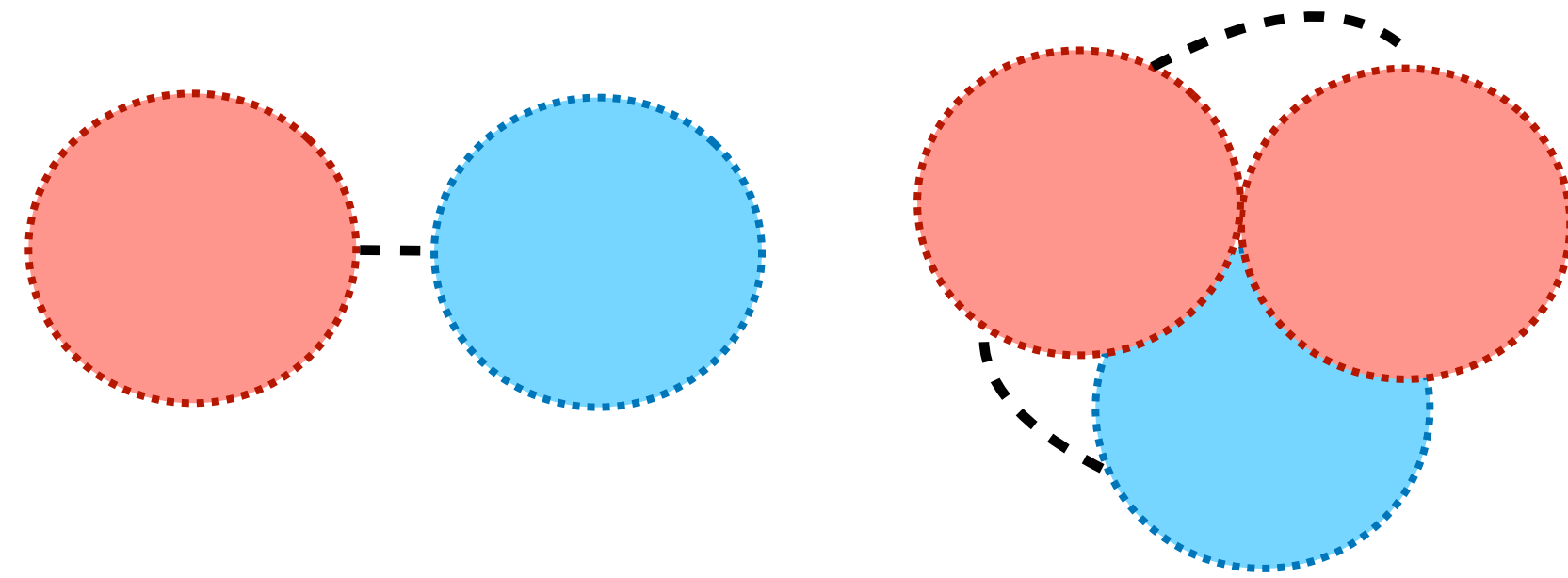
Credits: ORNL, LeJean Hardin and Andy Sproles

Chiral effective field theory

The Hamiltonian

Three-nucleon forces appear

$$V = V_{NN} + V_{3N} + \dots$$

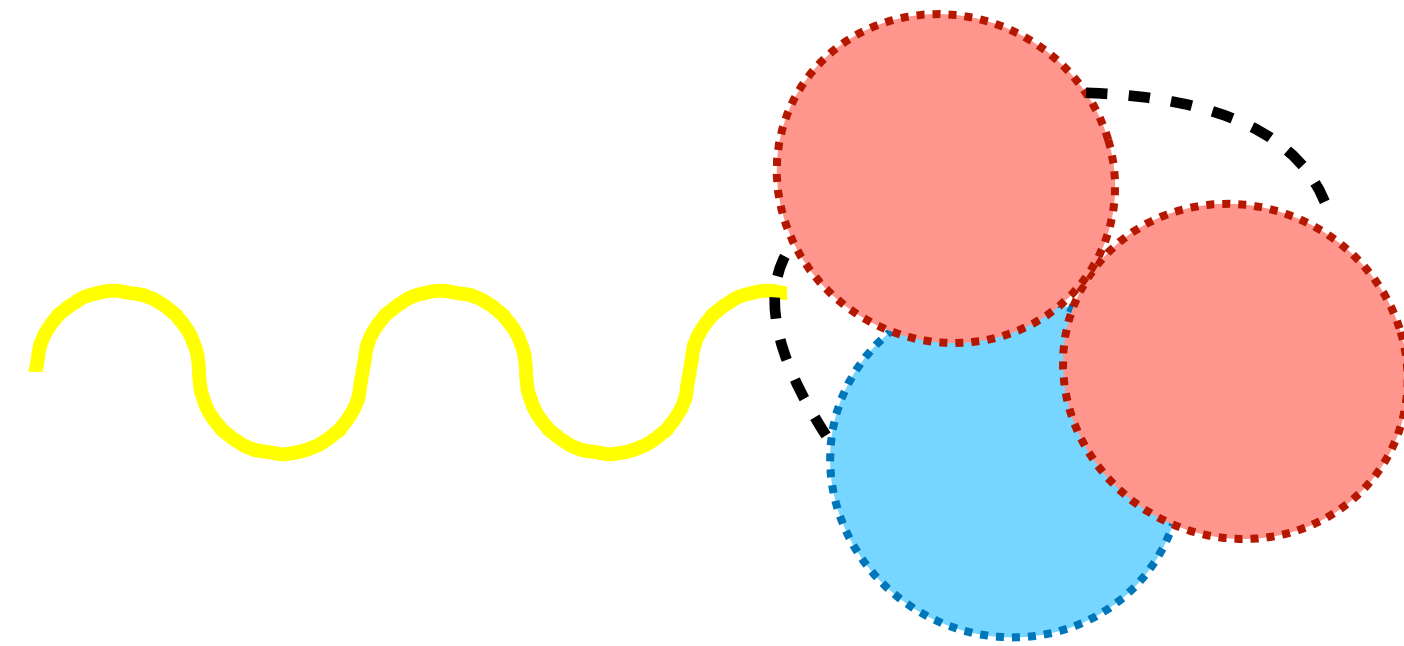


Systematic expansion

$$V = V_{\text{LO}} + V_{\text{NLO}} + V_{\text{NNLO}} \dots$$

Chiral effective field theory

Electroweak currents



Two-body currents appear in a systematic expansion

$$J^\mu = J_{1BC}^\mu + J_{2BC}^\mu + \dots$$

Sources of uncertainty

- Numerical errors
- Many-body truncations
- Model

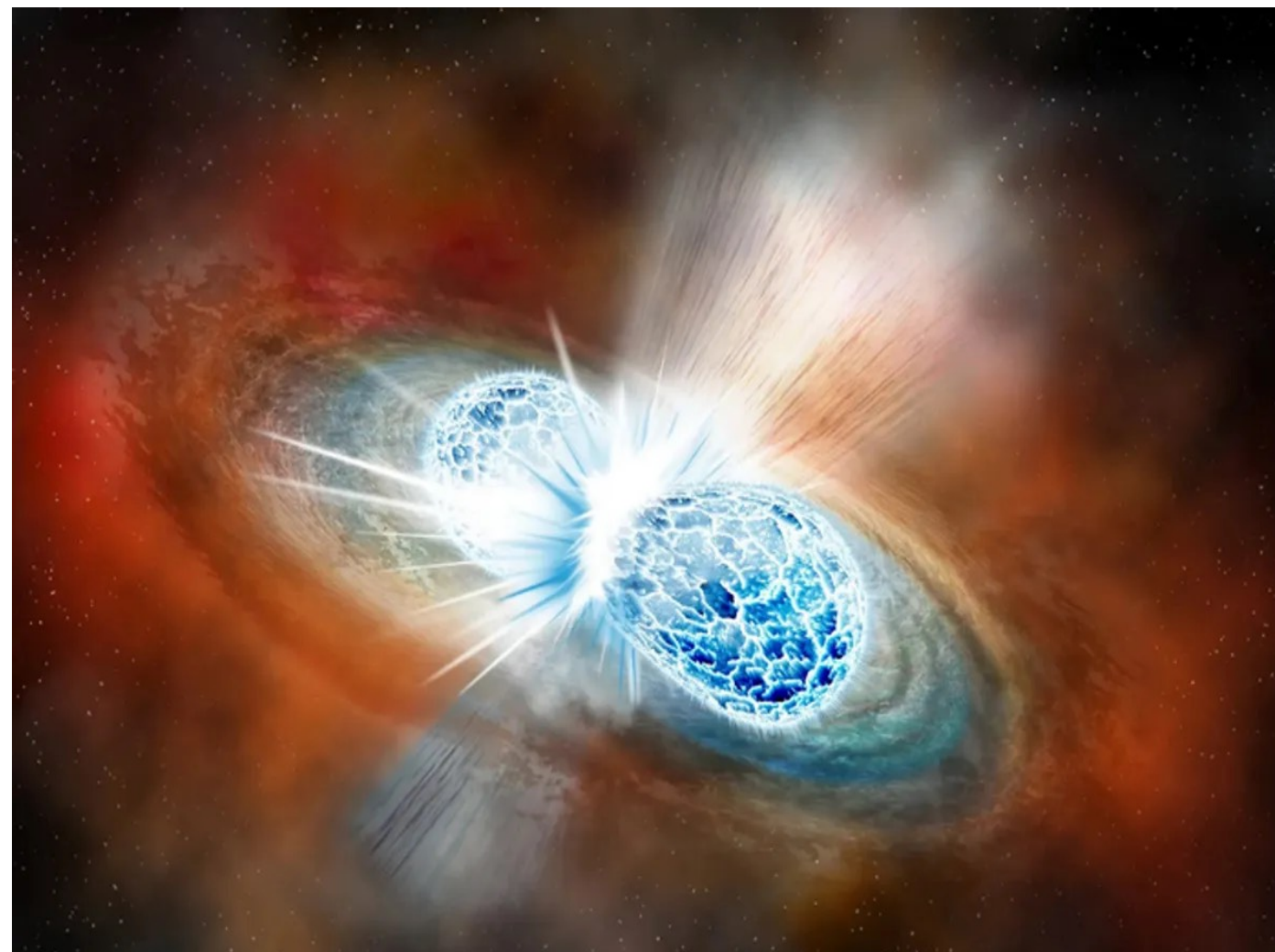
We estimate these uncertainties with different levels of sophistications depending on the problem we are dealing with. More difficult with increasing A



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Relevance of EW reactions

nuclear astrophysics



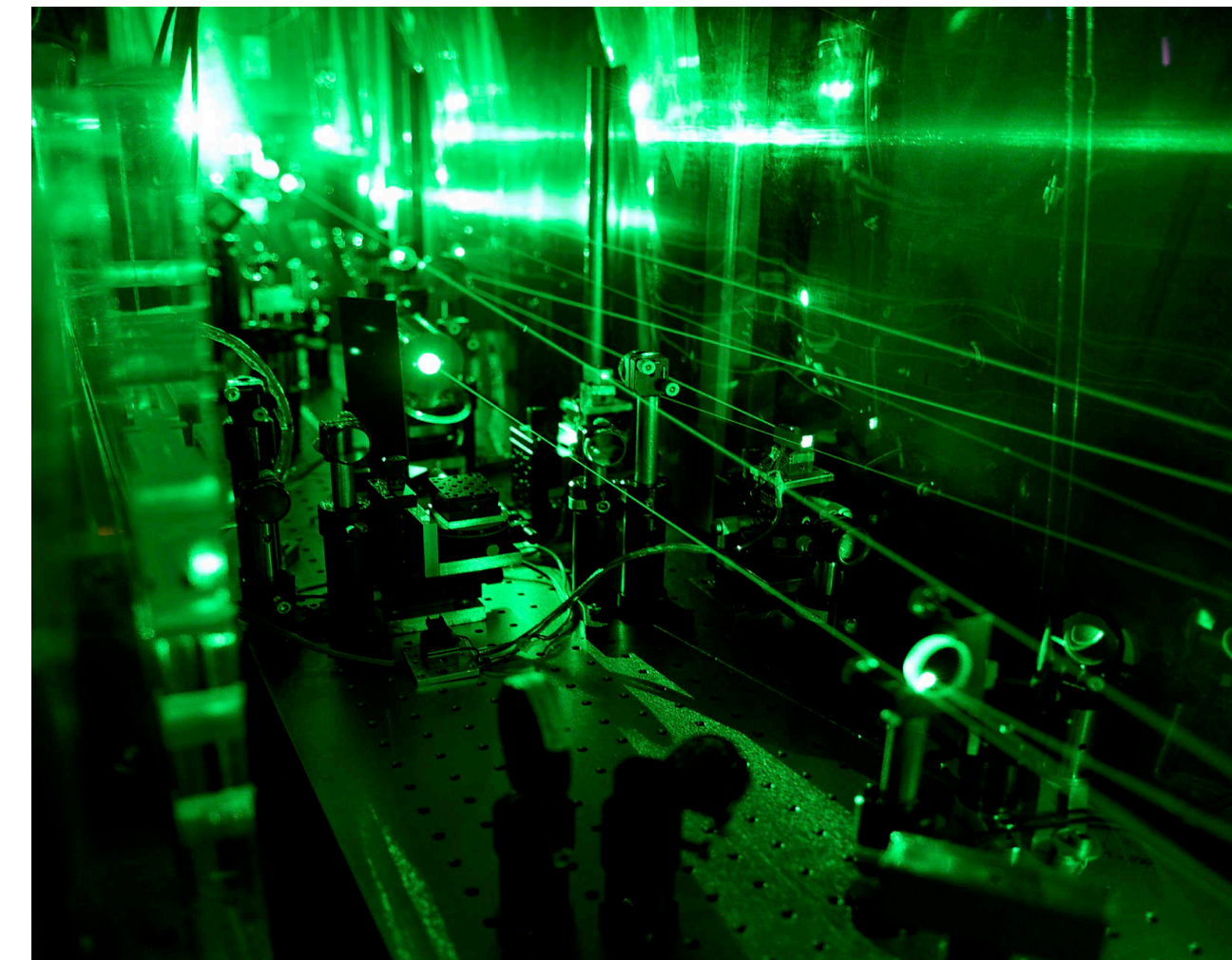
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particle physics



Credit: nures.uta.edu

atomic physics



Credit: R.Pohl

One first example

Application to nuclear astrophysics

Big bang nucleosynthesis

Bayesian analysis for uncertainty quantification in $n p \rightarrow D \gamma$

Uncertainty quantifications with tools developed by the BUQEYE collaboration

- Express observable as

$$y(\nu) = y_{ref}(\nu) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(\nu) (Q/\Lambda)^n$$

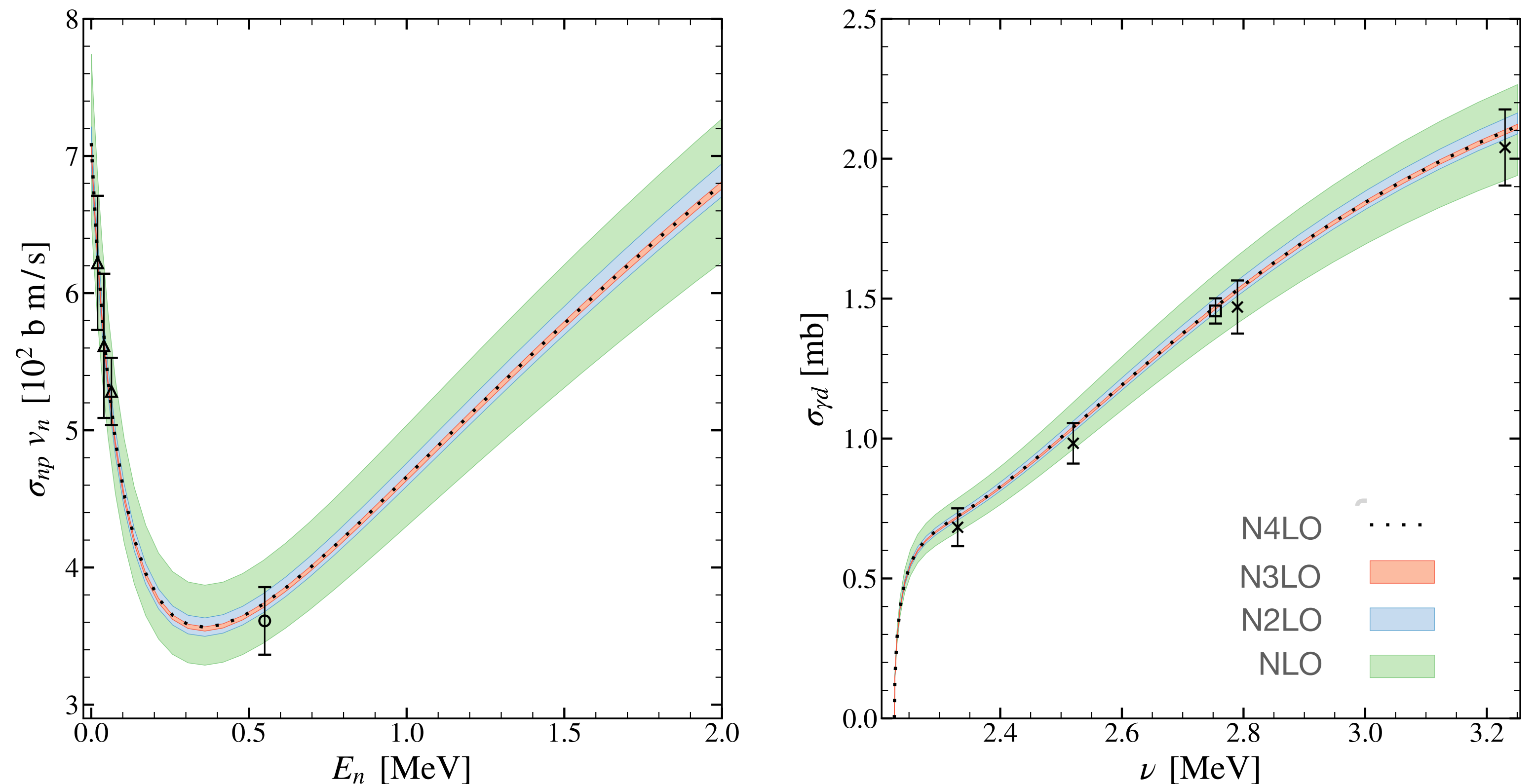
$$\delta y_k(\nu) = y_{ref}(\nu) \sum_{n=k+1}^{\infty} c_n(\nu) (Q/\Lambda)^n$$

- Calibrate a Gaussian process emulator using physics-based info on $c_n(\nu)$ as “prior”

- Calculate “Bayesian posterior” for $c_{n>k}(\nu)$ obtaining statistically interpretable truncation error, amounting to 0.2% at the highest order.

- Fix current at NLO, vary potential

B. Acharya and SB, Phys. Lett. B 827, 137011 (2022)



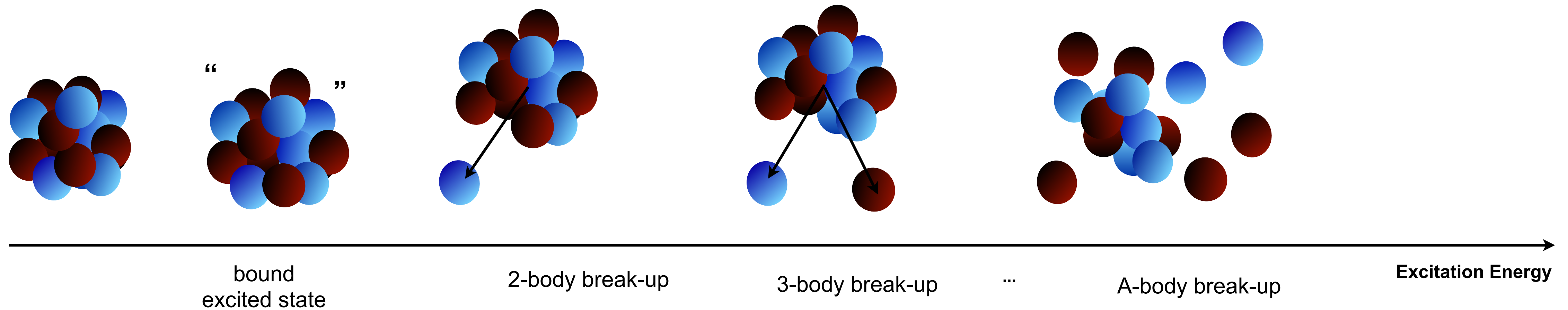
At zero energy N4LO gives 7.0932 and the experiment 7.3128 \Rightarrow 3% difference due to missing two-body currents

What about reactions with $A > 2$?

The continuum problem

$$R(\omega) = \sum_f \left| \langle \psi_f | J^\mu | \psi_0 \rangle \right|^2 \delta(E_f - E_0 - \omega)$$

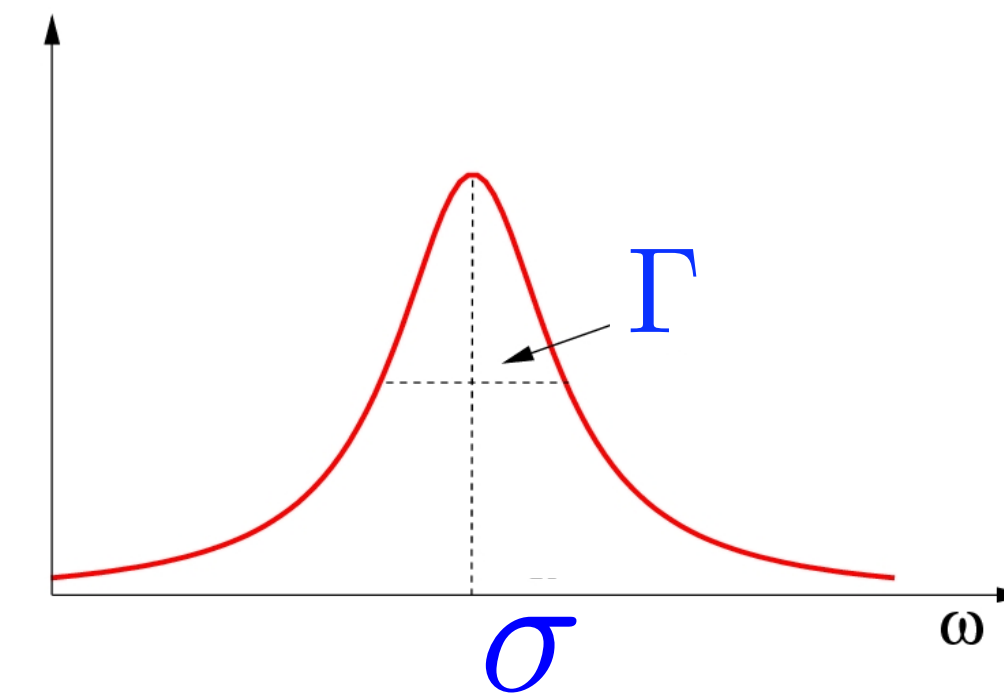
Depending on E_f , many channels may be involved



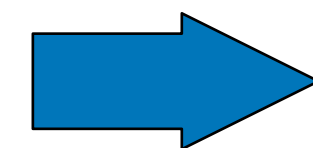
The Lorentz integral transform (LIT)

$$L(\sigma, \Gamma) = \frac{\Gamma}{\pi} \int d\omega \frac{R(\omega)}{(\omega - \sigma)^2 + \Gamma^2} = \langle \tilde{\psi} | \tilde{\psi} \rangle$$

inversion



Efros, *et al.*, JPG.: Nucl.Part.Phys. **34** (2007) R459



$$(H - E_0 - \sigma + i\Gamma) | \tilde{\psi} \rangle = J^\mu | \psi_0 \rangle$$

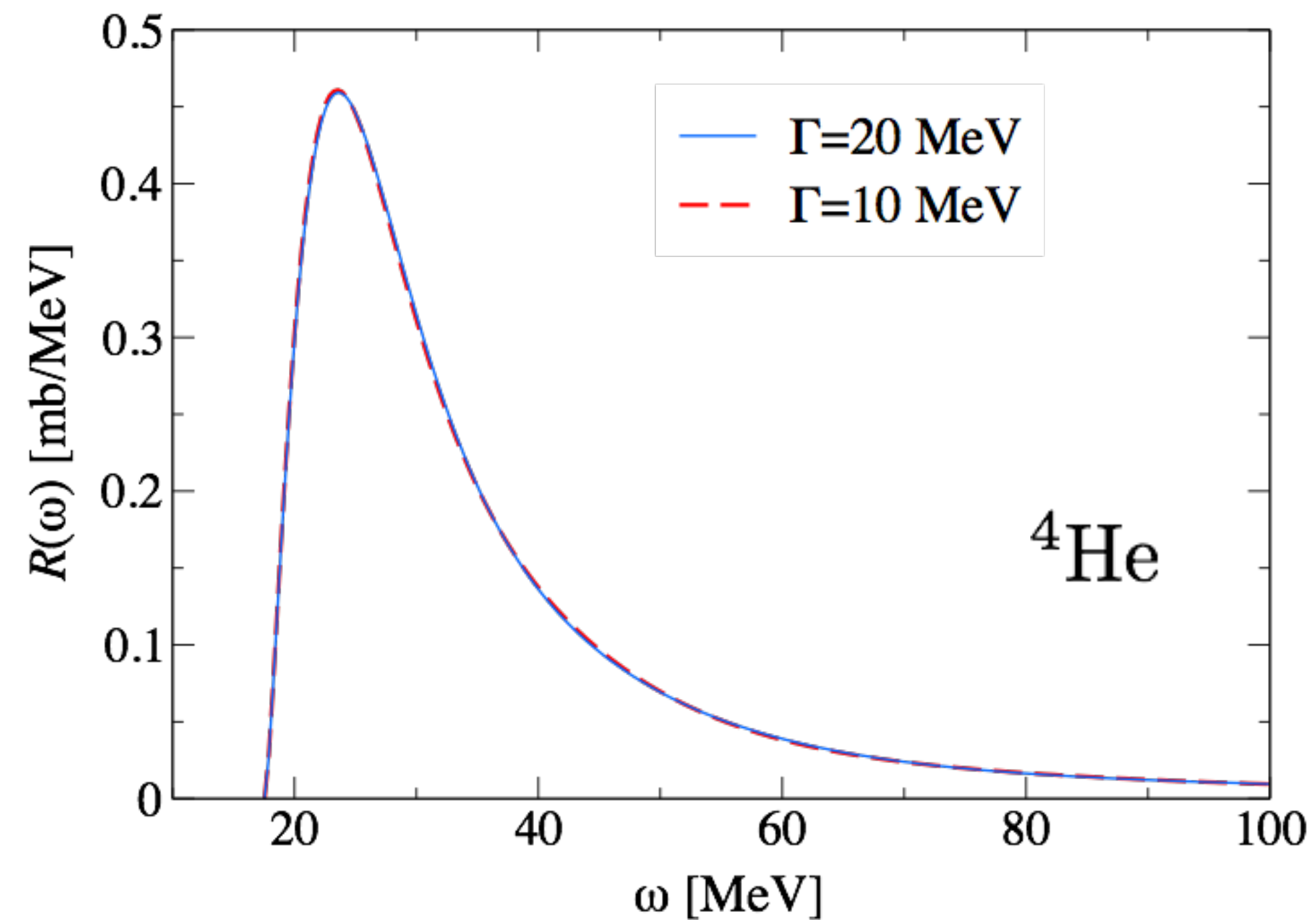
Reduce the continuum problem to a bound-state-like equation

The Lorentz integral transform (LIT)

The inversion is performed numerically with a regularization procedure (ill-posed problem)

Ansatz $R(\omega) = \sum_i^{I_{\max}} c_i \chi_i(\omega, \alpha) \longrightarrow L(\sigma, \Gamma) = \sum_i^{I_{\max}} c_i \mathcal{L}[\chi_i(\omega, \alpha)]$

↑
fit

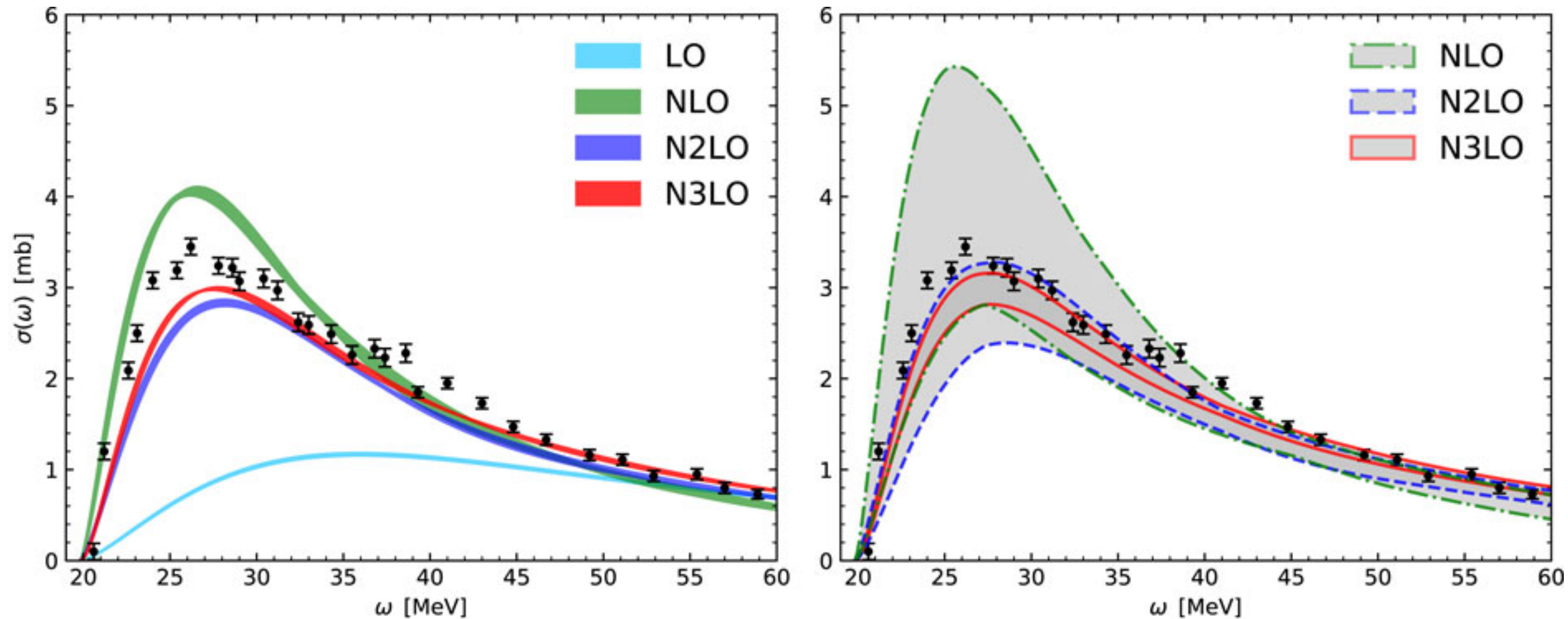


Message: Inversions are stable if the LIT is calculated precisely enough

^4He photoabsorption cross-section

Acharya, SB, Bonaiti, Li Muli, Sobczyk, *Front. Phys.*10:1066035 (2023)

With local chiral potentials from Phys. Rev. C **90**, 054323 up to N2LO, Method: LIT with hyper-spherical harmonics



$$\delta_{\mathcal{O}}^{\chi\text{EFT}} = \max \left\{ \left(\frac{Q}{\Lambda} \right)^{k+1} |\mathcal{O}_{\nu_0}|, \left(\frac{Q}{\Lambda} \right)^k |\mathcal{O}_{\nu_0+1} - \mathcal{O}_{\nu_0}|, \dots, \left(\frac{Q}{\Lambda} \right) |\mathcal{O}_{\nu_0+k} - \mathcal{O}_{\nu_0+k-1}| \right\}$$

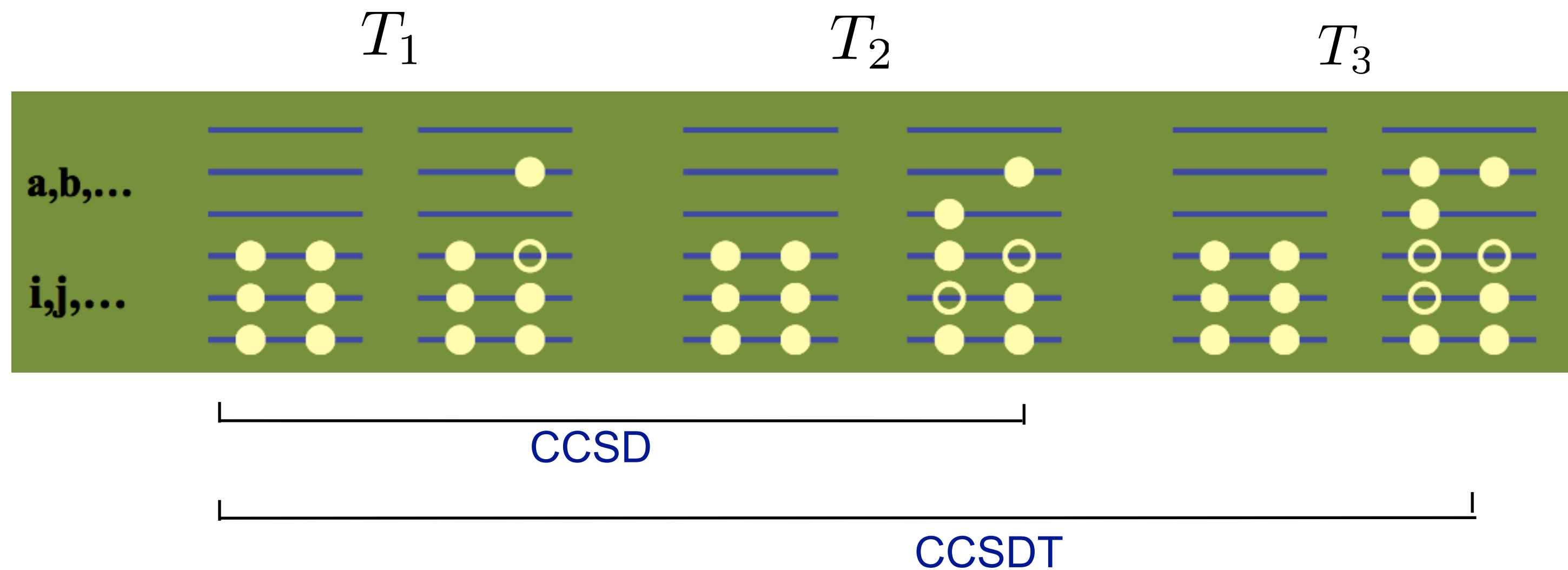
What about heavier nuclei?

Coupled-cluster theory

$$|\psi_0(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_A)\rangle = e^T |\phi_0(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_A)\rangle$$

$$T = \sum T_{(A)}$$

cluster expansion



CCSD algorithm scales as $\sim A^6$

Coupled-cluster formulation of the LIT

LIT-CC

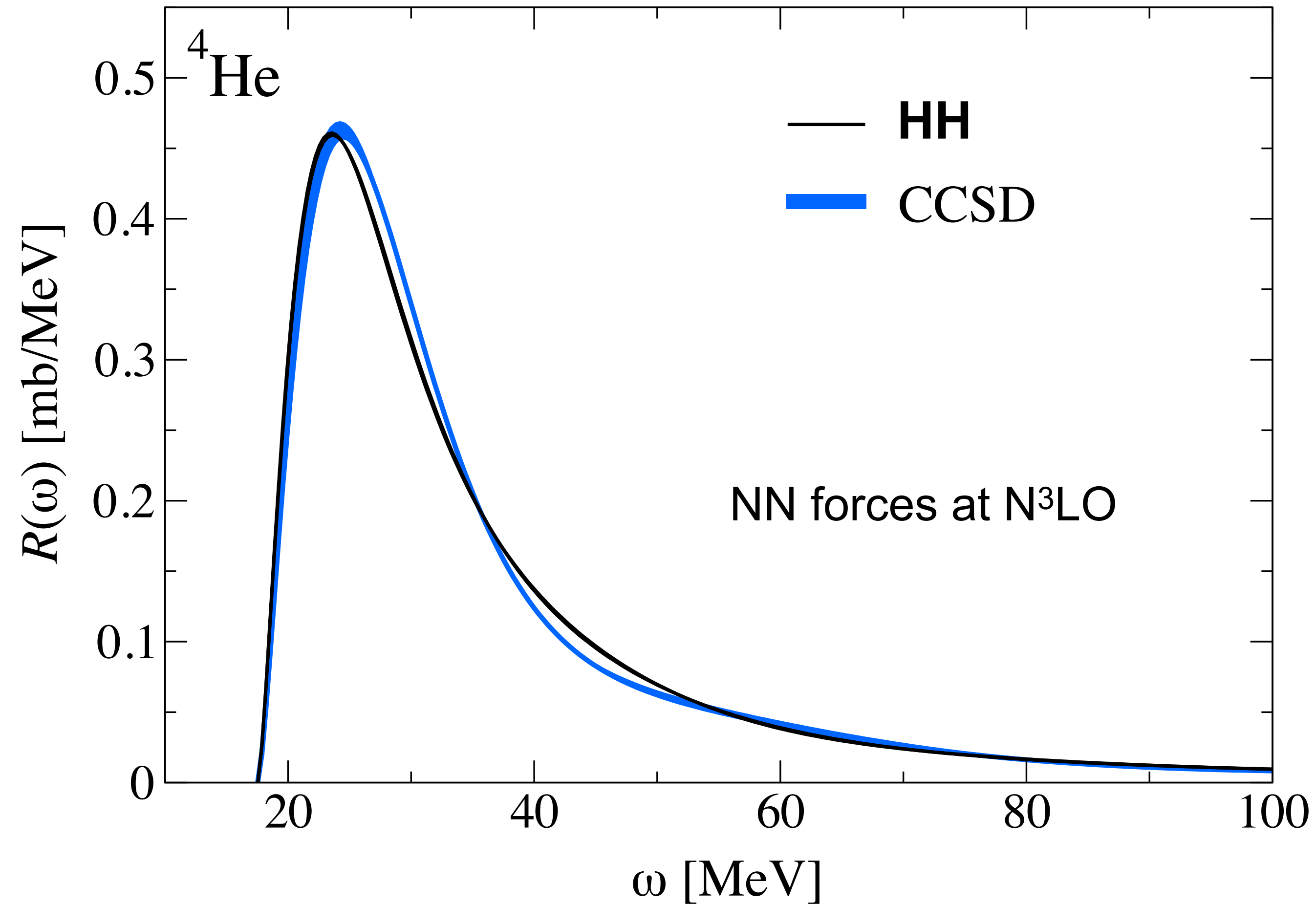
SB et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 111, 122502 (2013)

$$(\bar{H} - E_0 - \sigma + i\Gamma)|\tilde{\Psi}_R\rangle = \bar{\Theta}|\Phi_0\rangle \longrightarrow \begin{cases} \bar{H} = e^{-T} H e^T \\ \bar{\Theta} = e^{-T} \Theta e^T \\ |\tilde{\Psi}_R\rangle = \hat{R}|\Phi_0\rangle \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{R}(z) = r_0(z) + \sum_{ai} r_i^a(z) a_a^\dagger a_i + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{abij} r_{ij}^{ab}(z) a_a^\dagger a_b^\dagger a_j a_i + \dots$$

Benchmark on ^4He

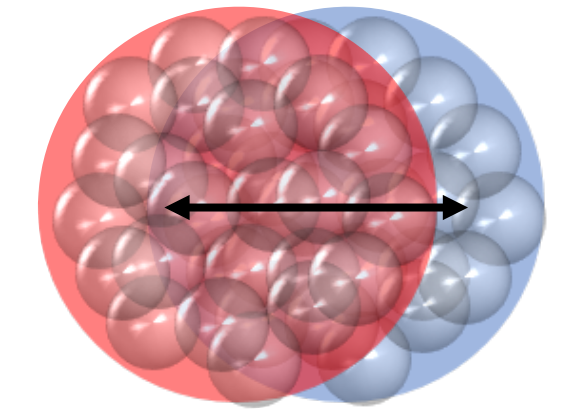
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Application to Astrophysics

Neutron stars

The nuclear EOS



Constraining the symmetry energy $S(\rho)$ through properties of finite nuclei

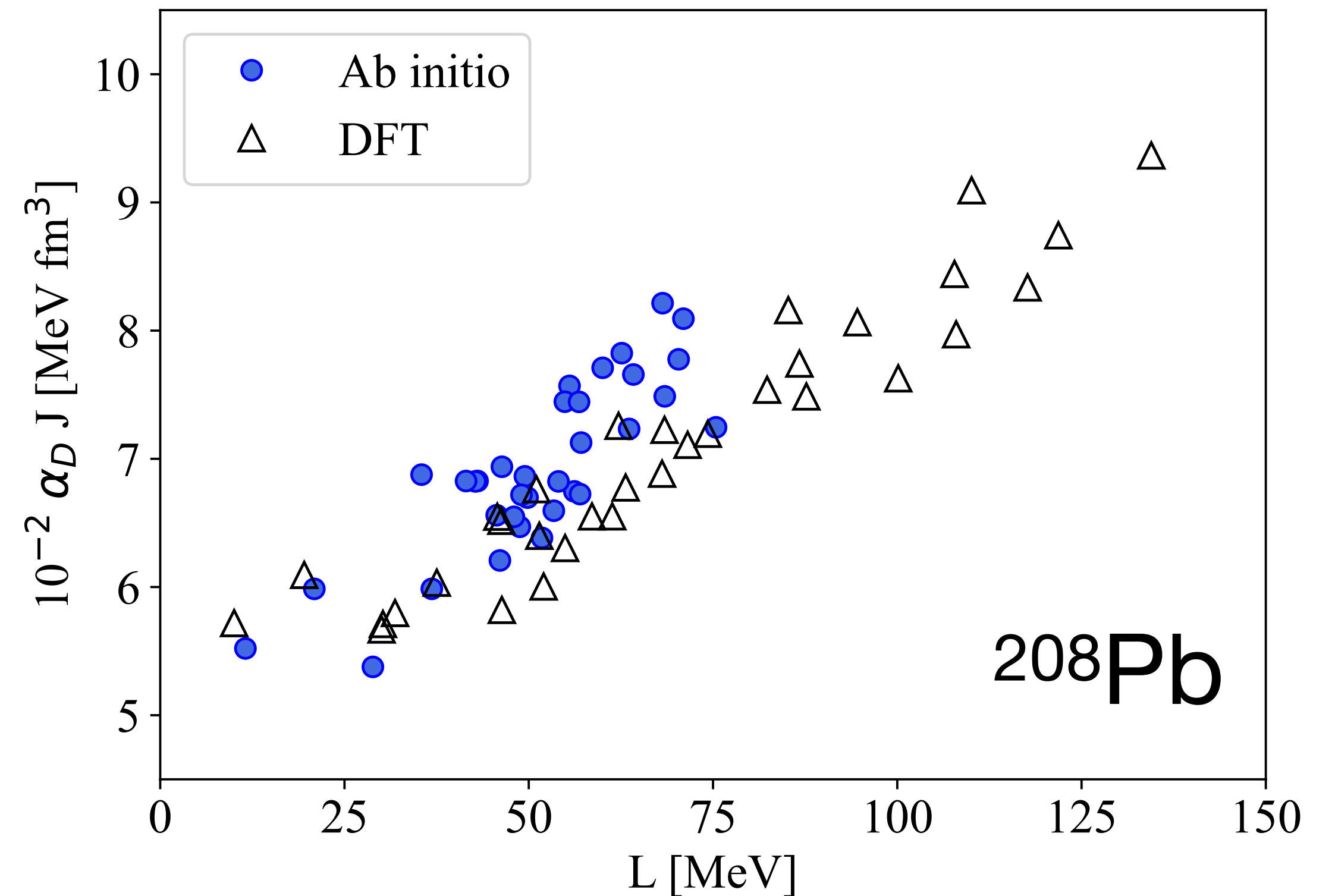
$$\mathcal{E}(\rho, \alpha) = \mathcal{E}_{\text{SNM}}(\rho) + \alpha^2 S(\rho) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^4)$$

$$\rho = (\rho_n + \rho_p) \quad \alpha = (\rho_n - \rho_p) / \rho$$

$$S(\rho) = J + L \frac{(\rho - \rho_0)}{3\rho_0} + \dots$$

symmetry
energy

slope
parameter

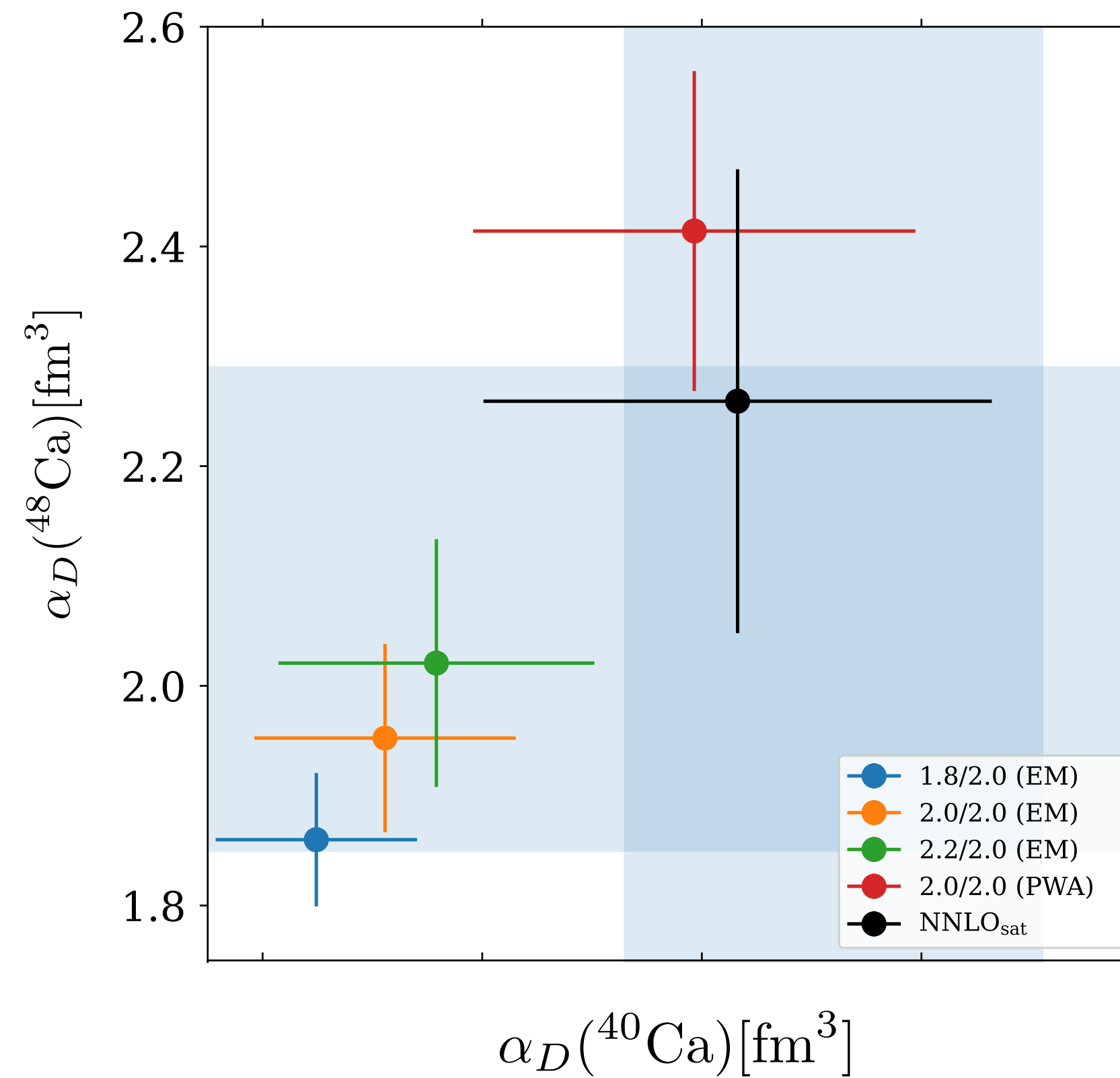
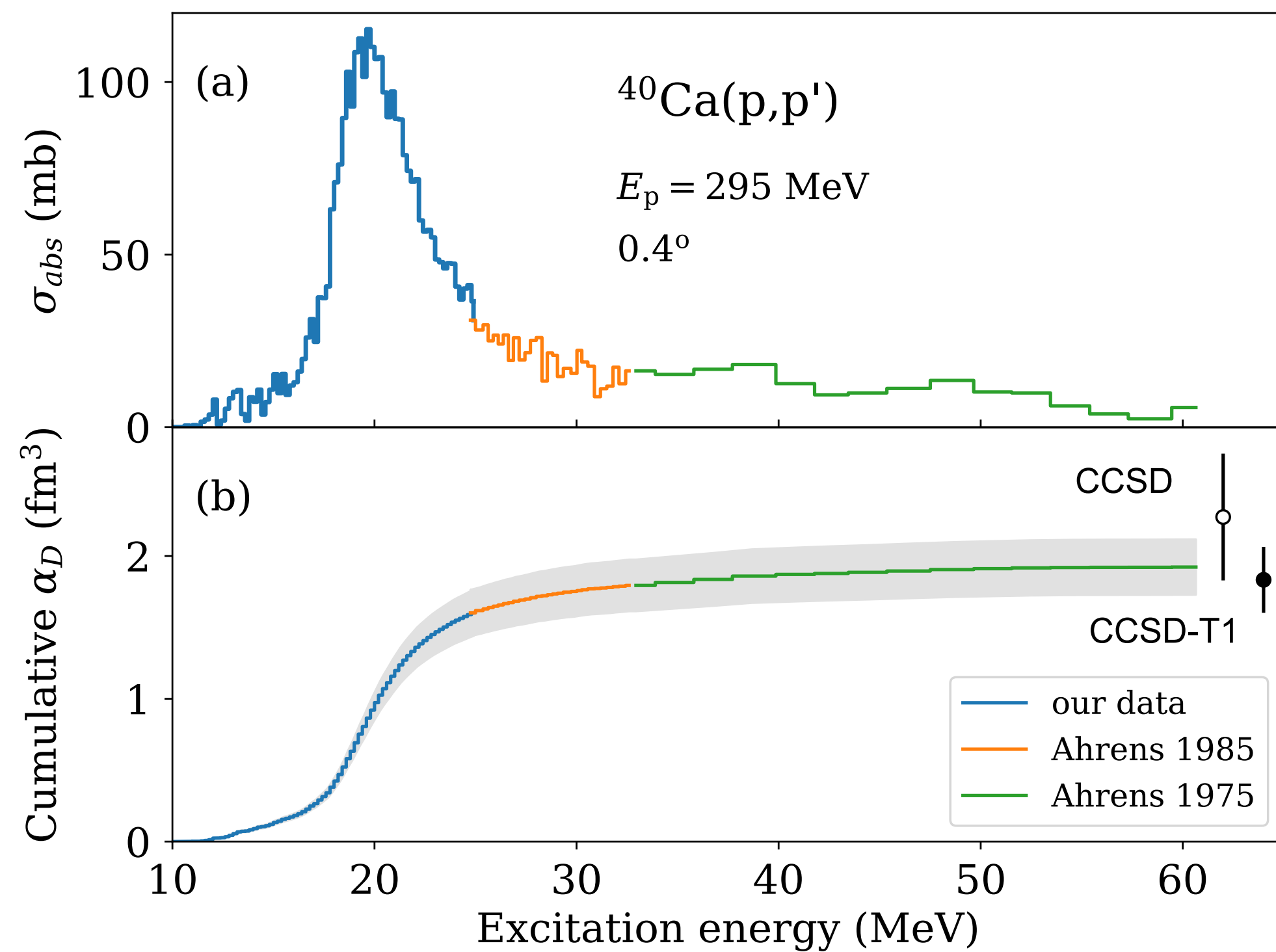


Courtesy from Francesca Bonaiti using data from Hu et al. Nature Phys. 18 (2022)

Electric Dipole Polarizability

Comparison of experiments to ab-initio

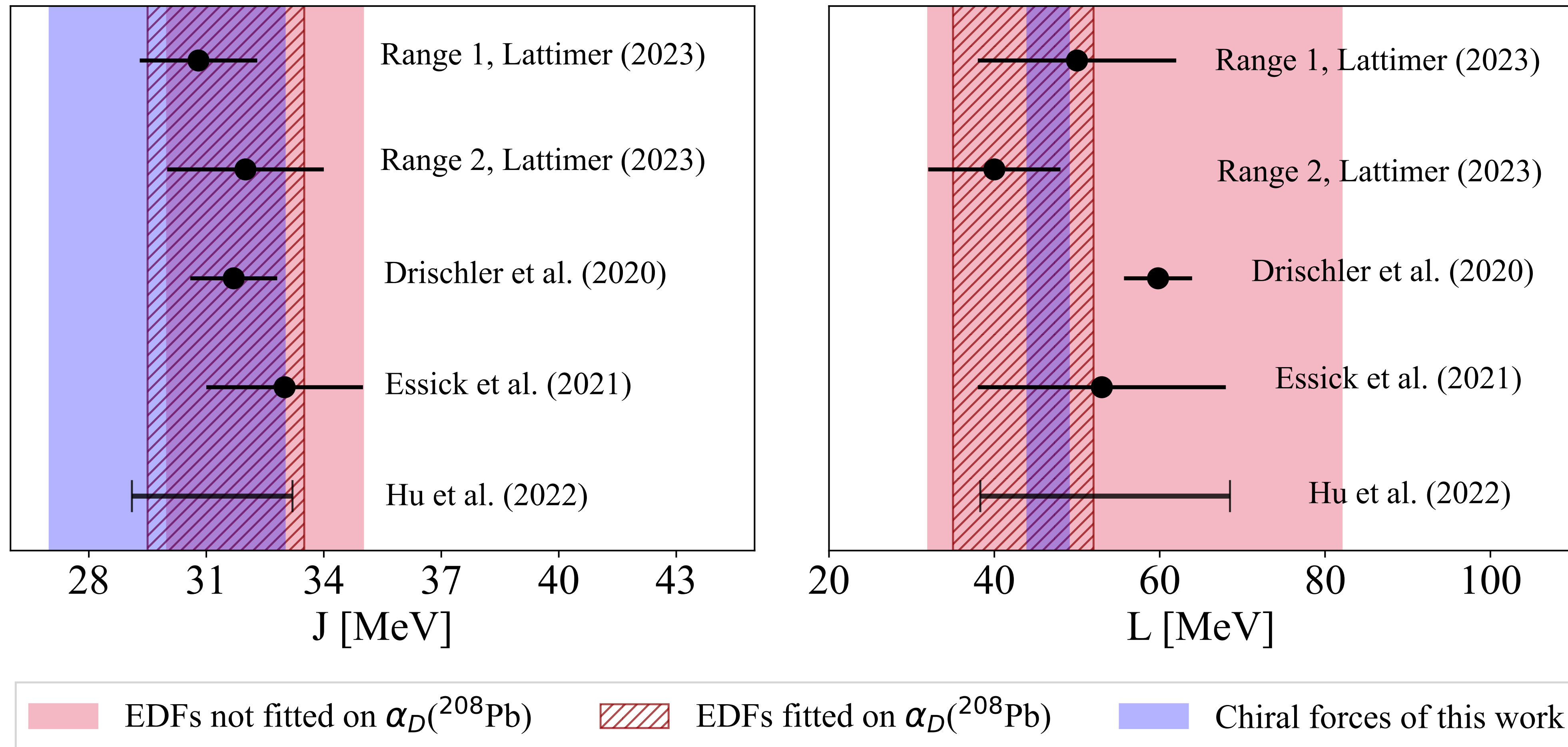
Fearick et al, PRRL (2023)



More on Ca-isotopes
in F. Bonaiti's talk

Constraints on [symmetry energy slope](#) $L = 41-49$ MeV

Comparison to other analyses



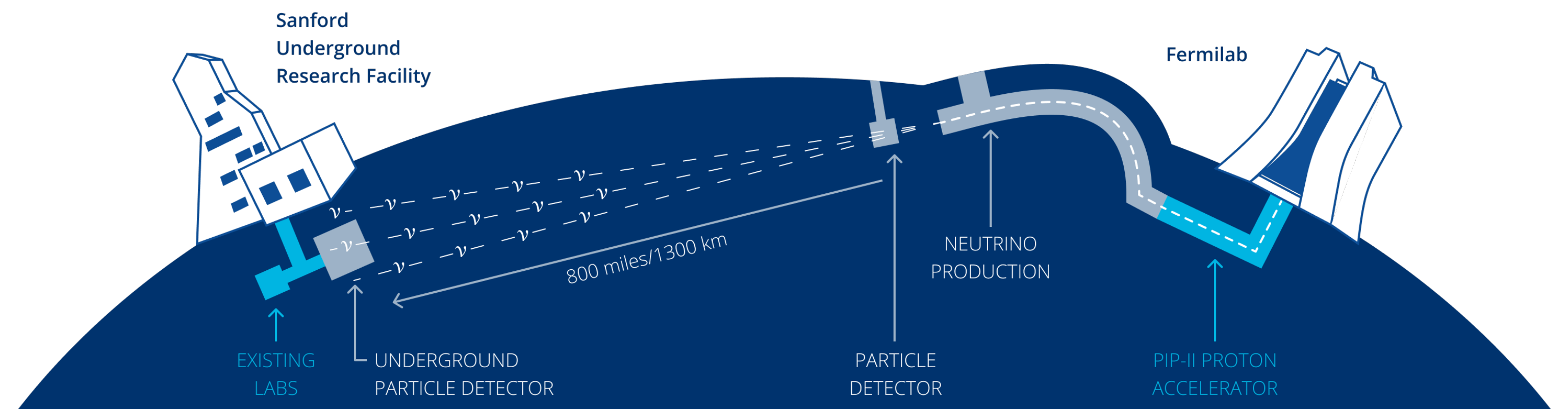
Applications to particle physics

Neutrino oscillations

Next generation experiments

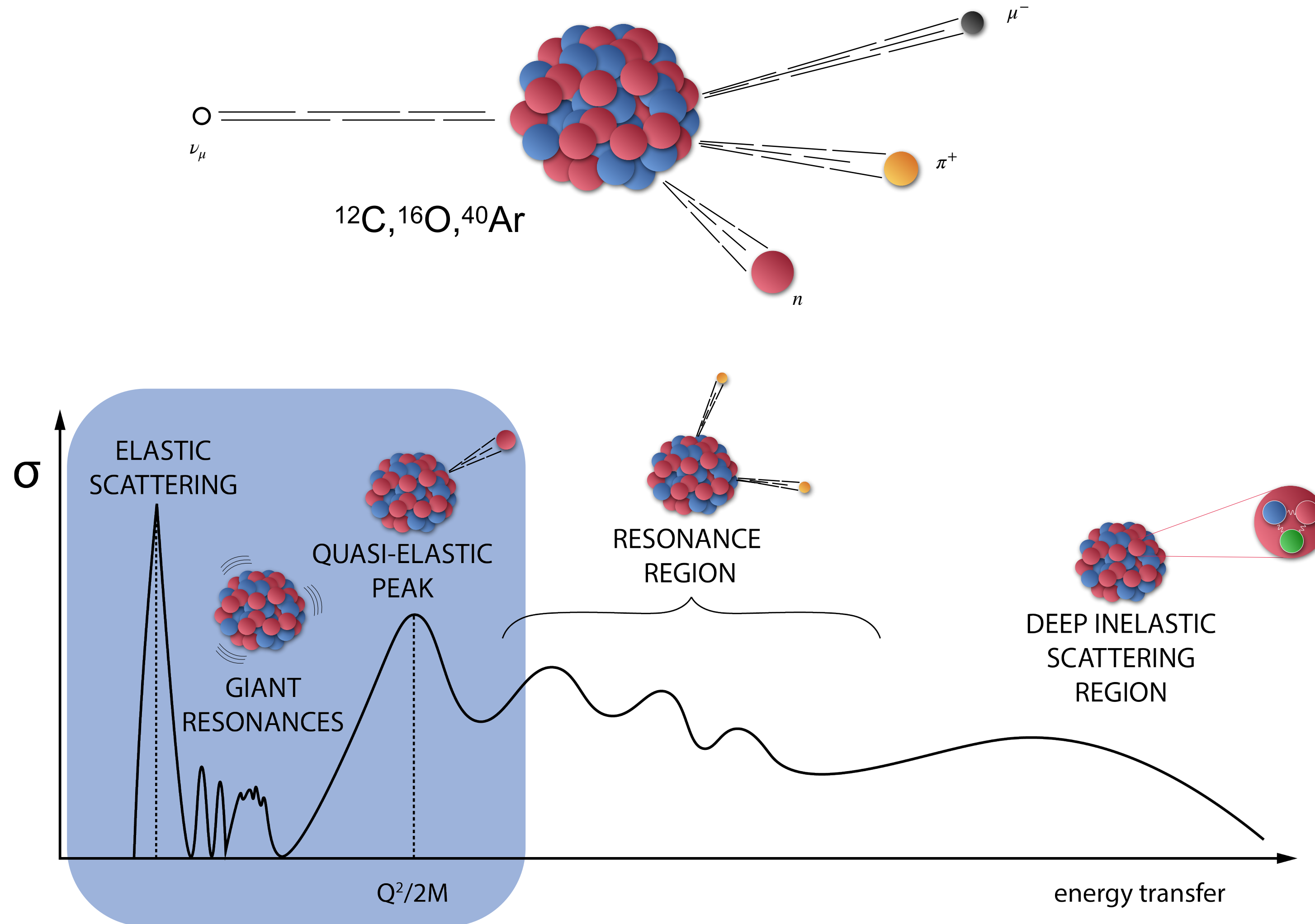


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Challenges and opportunities



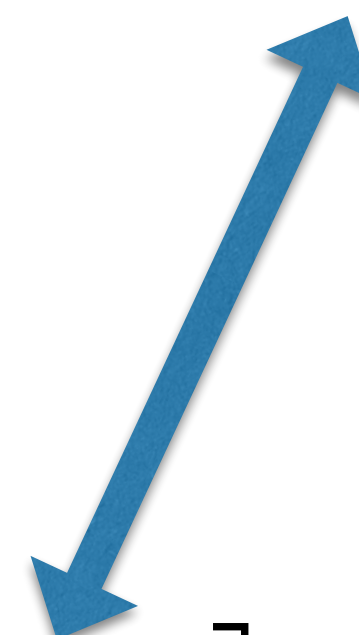
Electrons for neutrinos ($e4\nu$)

ν -A scattering

$$\left. \frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega d\omega} \right|_{\nu/\bar{\nu}} = \sigma_0 [\ell_{CC} R_{CC} + \ell_{CL} R_{CL} + \ell_{LL} R_{LL} + \ell_T R_T \pm \ell_{T'} R_{T'}]$$

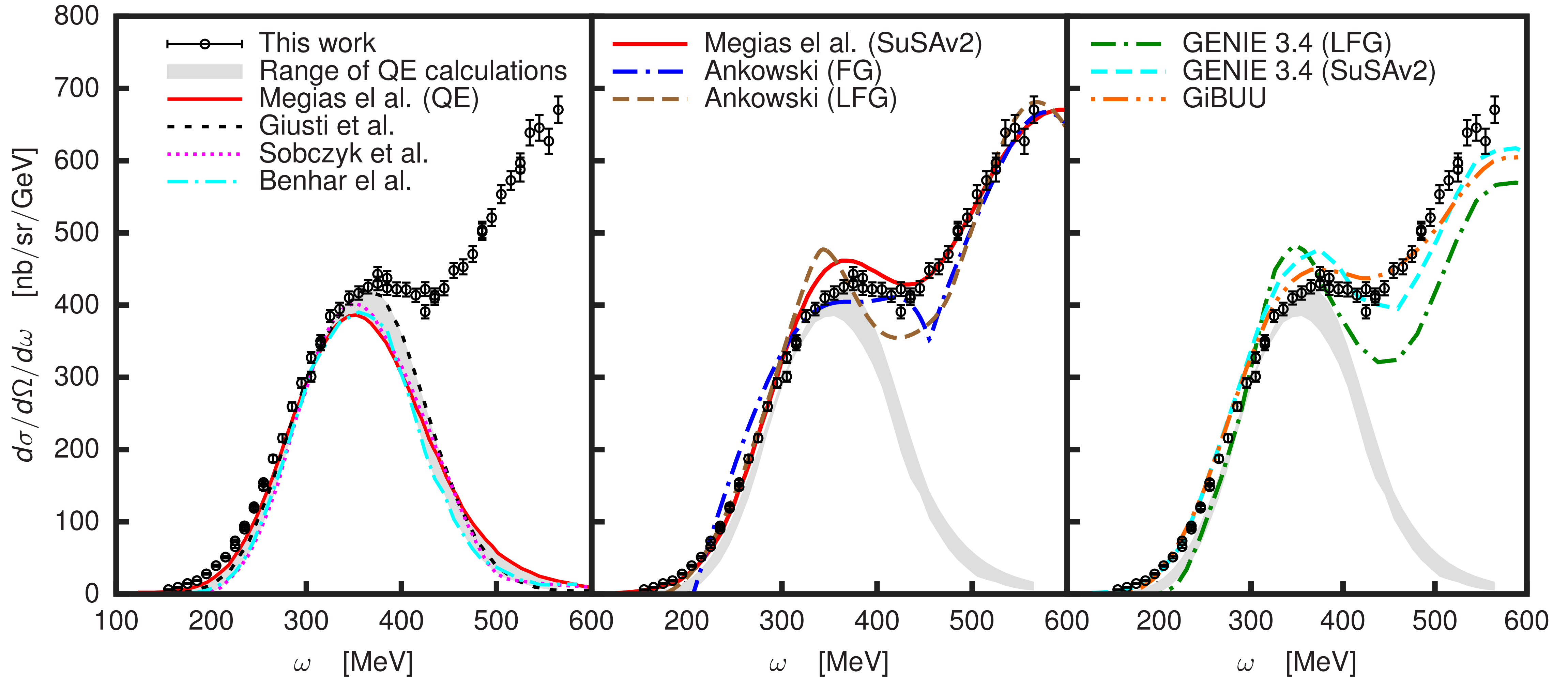
e-A scattering

$$\left. \frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega d\omega} \right|_e = \sigma_M \left[\frac{Q^4}{q^4} R_L + \left(\frac{Q^2}{2q^2} + \tan^2 \frac{\theta_e}{2} \right) R_T \right]$$



e4 ν in Mainz: ^{12}C exp

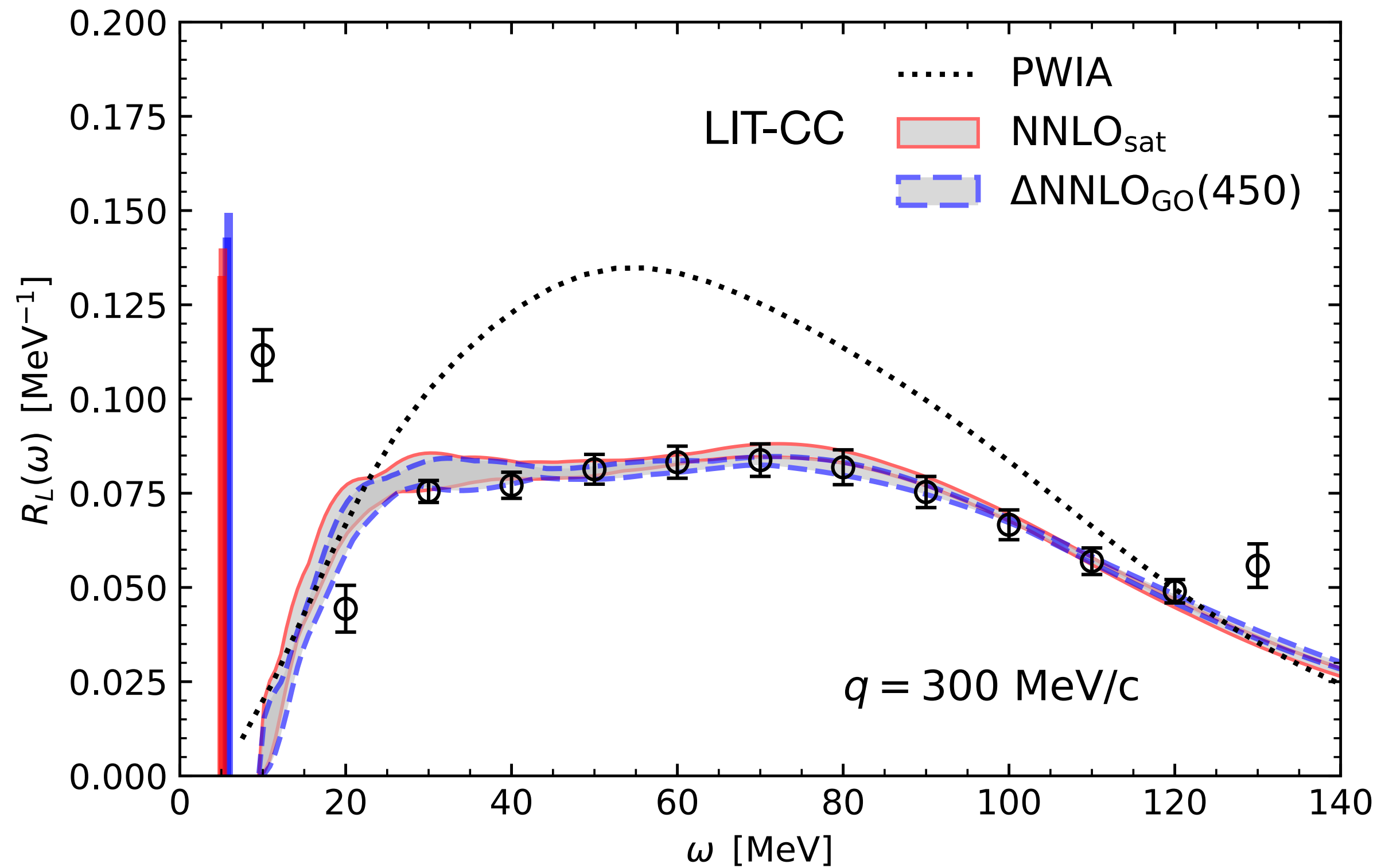
Mihovilovic, Doria et al, arXiv:2406.16059, E=855 MeV/c, $\theta=70^\circ$



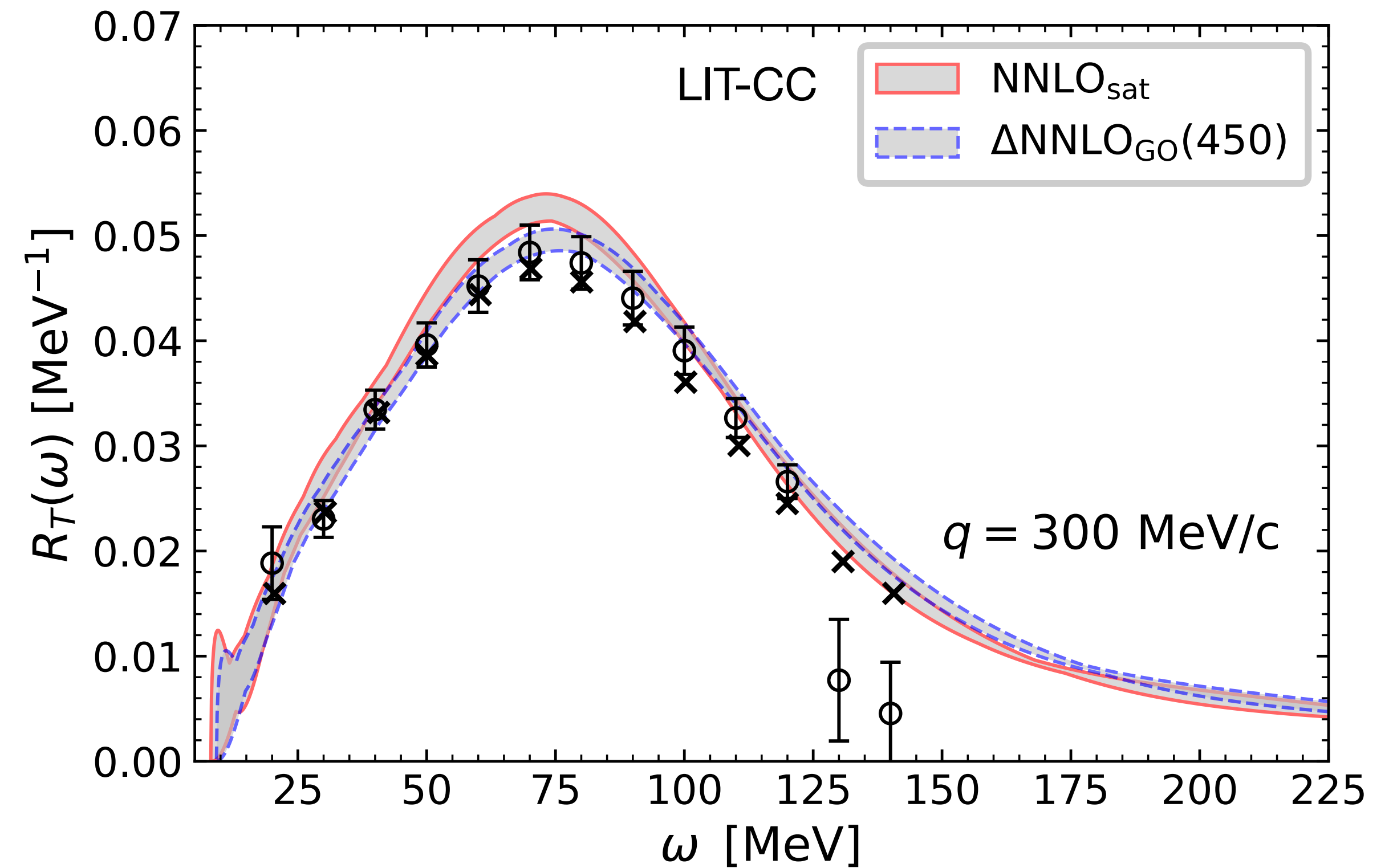
$e4\nu$ in Mainz: theory

$^{40}\text{Ca}(e,e')X$

Sobczyk, Acharya, SB, Hagen, PRL 127 (2021) 7, 072501



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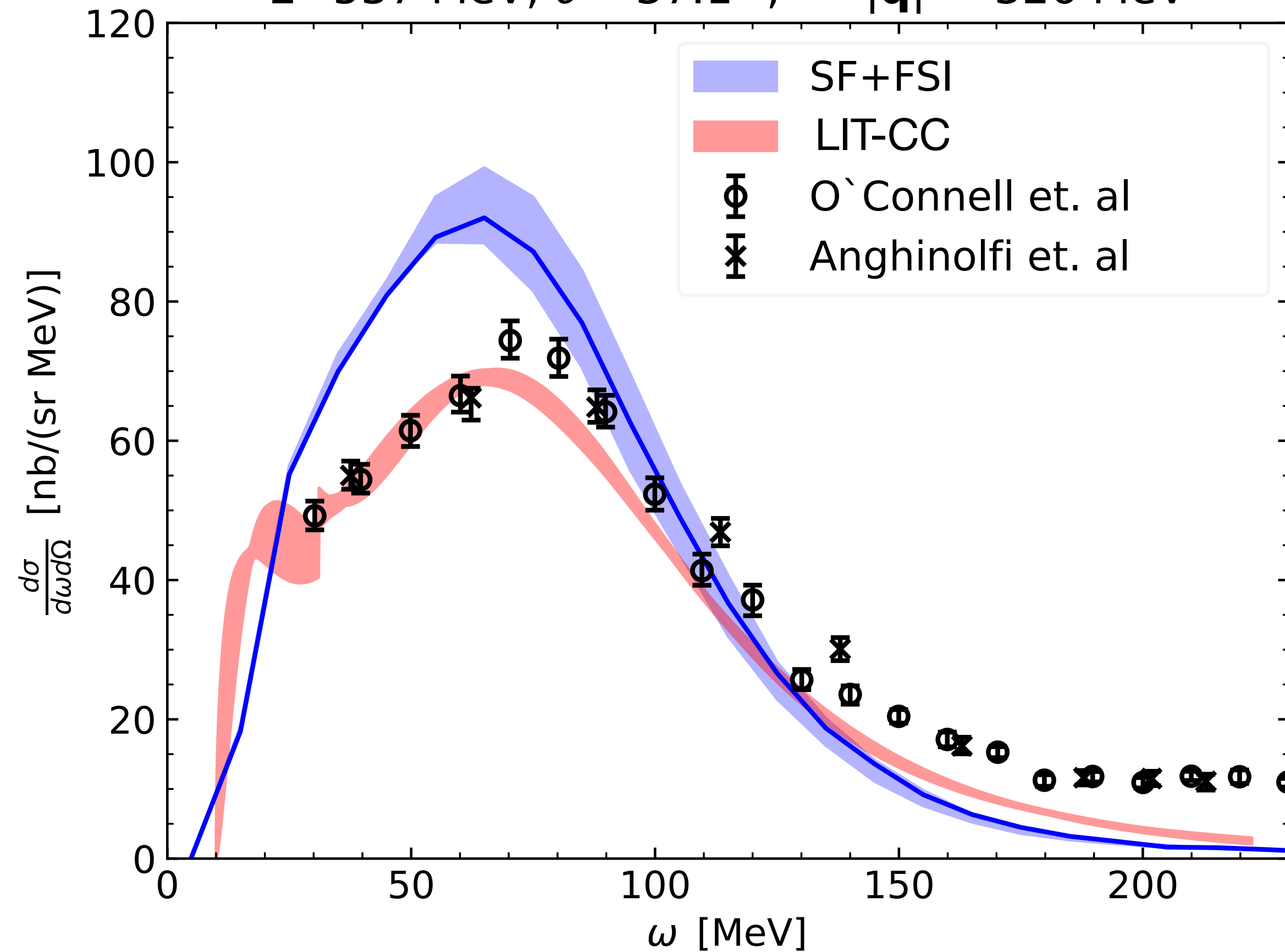


$e4\nu$ in Mainz: theory

$^{16}\text{O}(e,e')X$

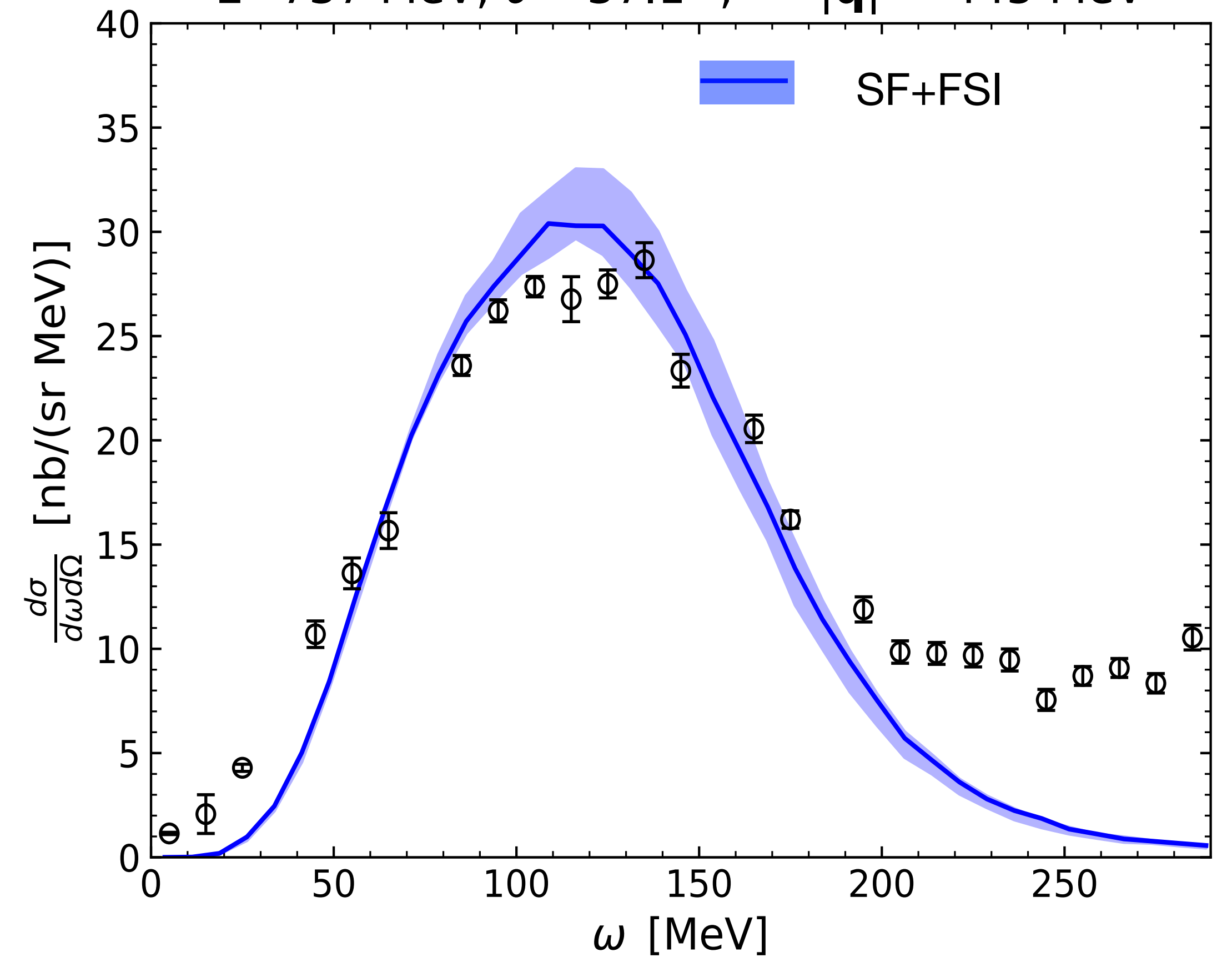
Sobczyk, Acharya, SB, Hagen, in preparation

$E=537$ MeV; $\theta = 37.1^\circ$; $|\mathbf{q}| \approx 326$ MeV



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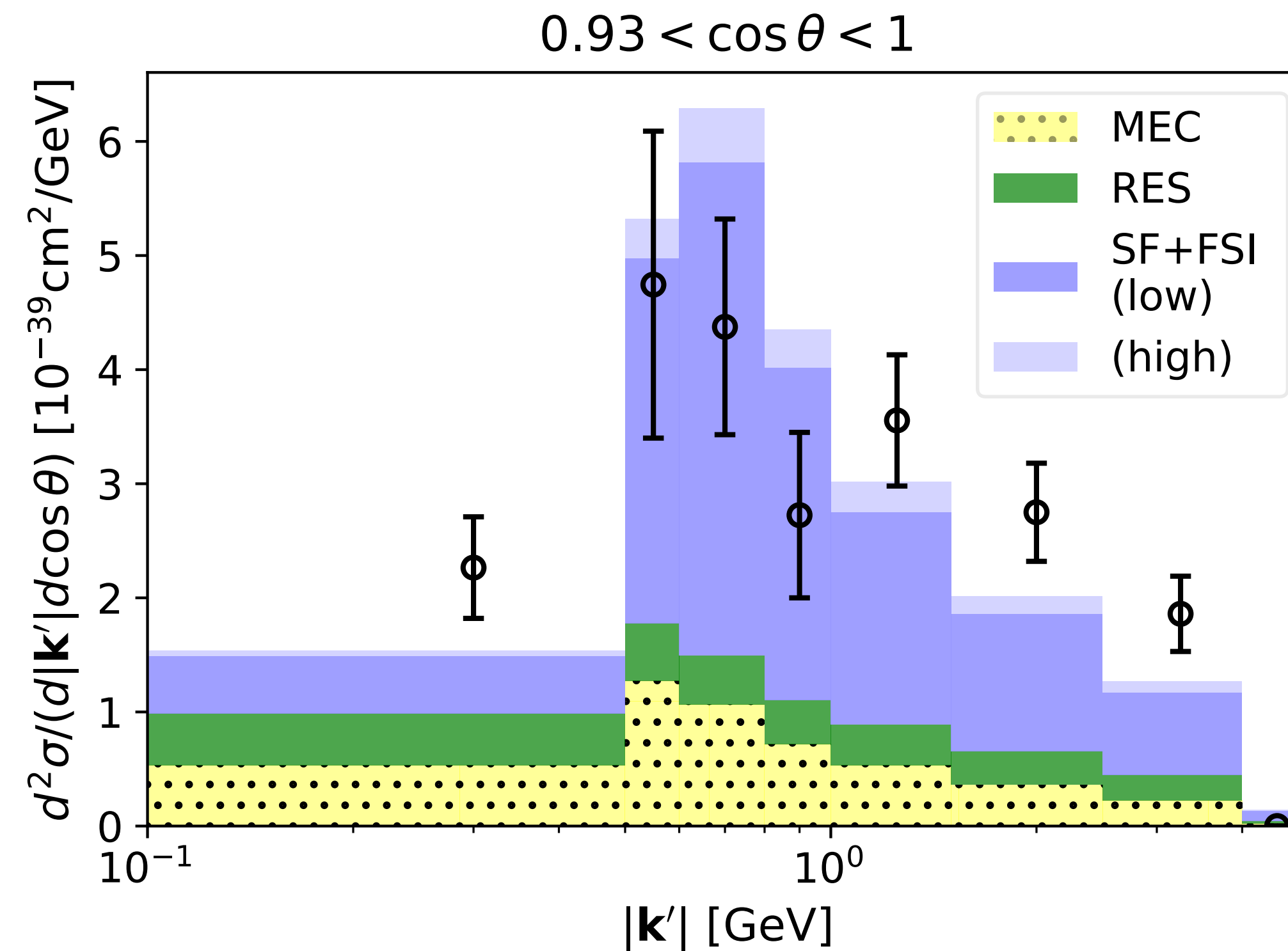
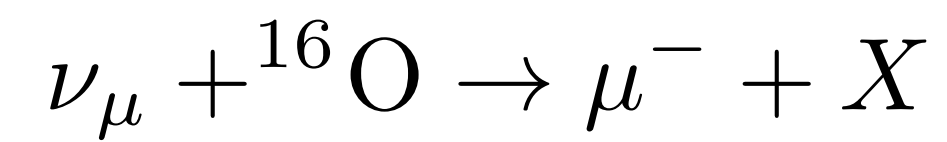
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Towards neutrino scattering

Spectral function formalism

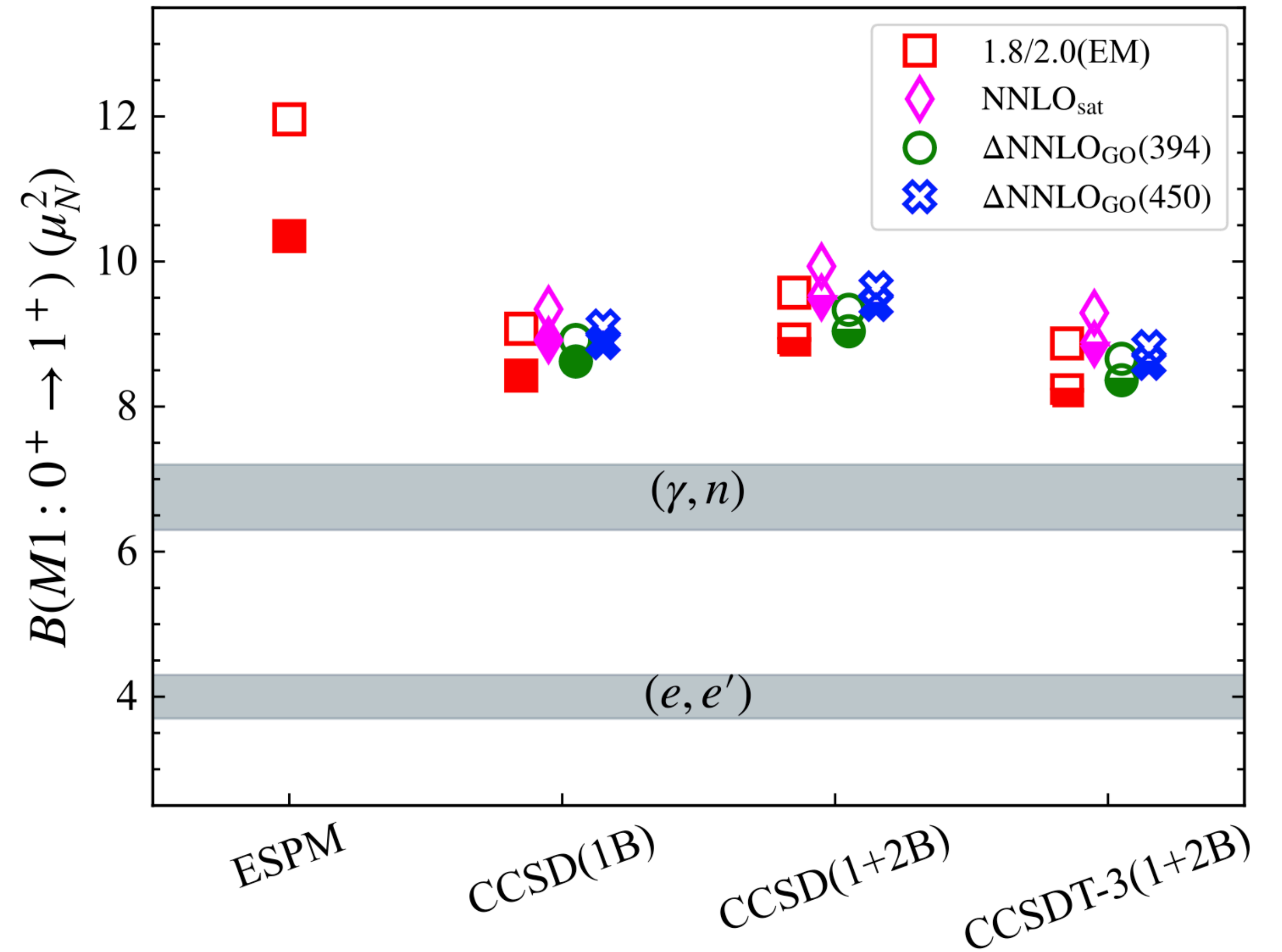
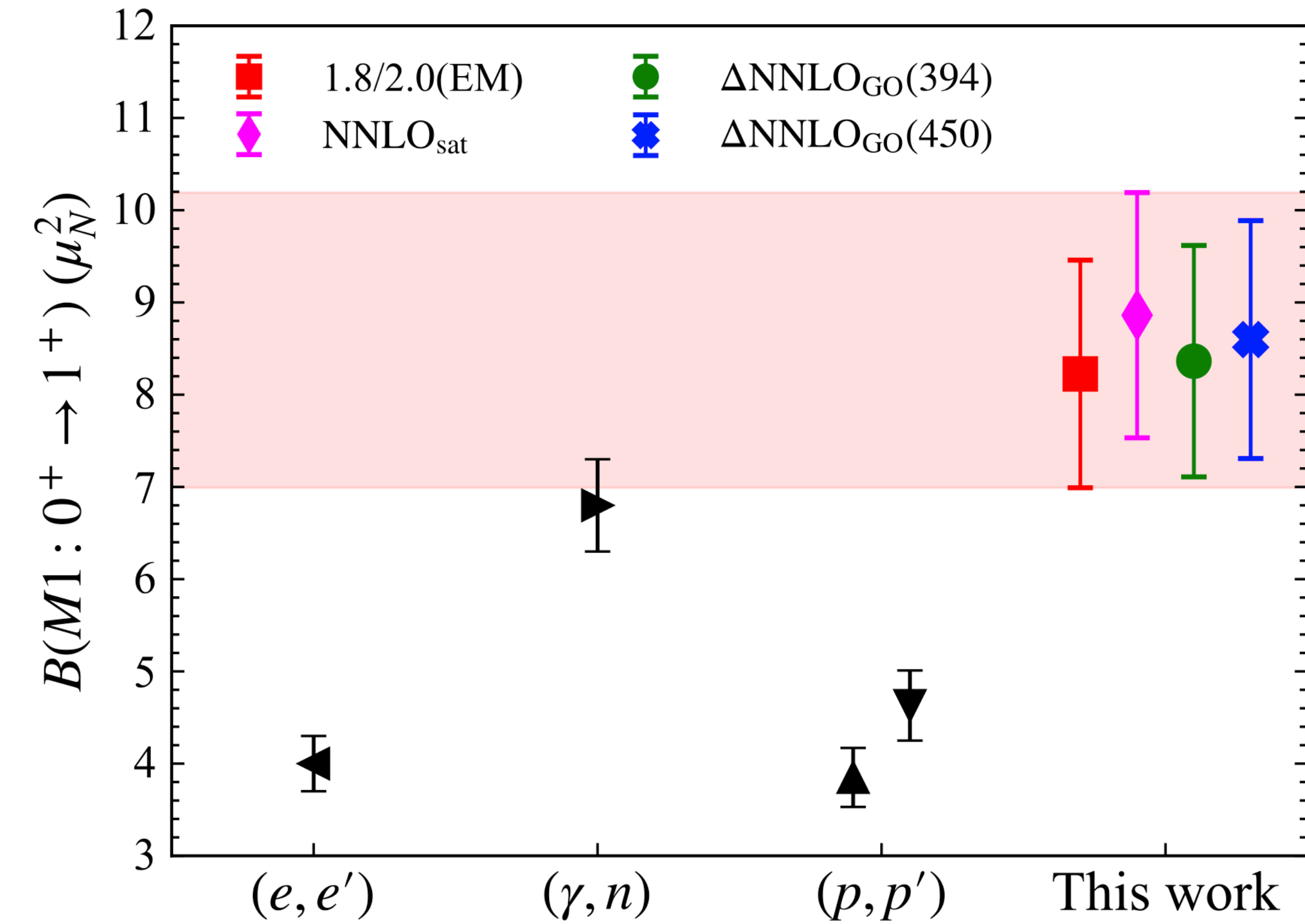
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Back to nuclear structure

^{48}Ca M1 transition

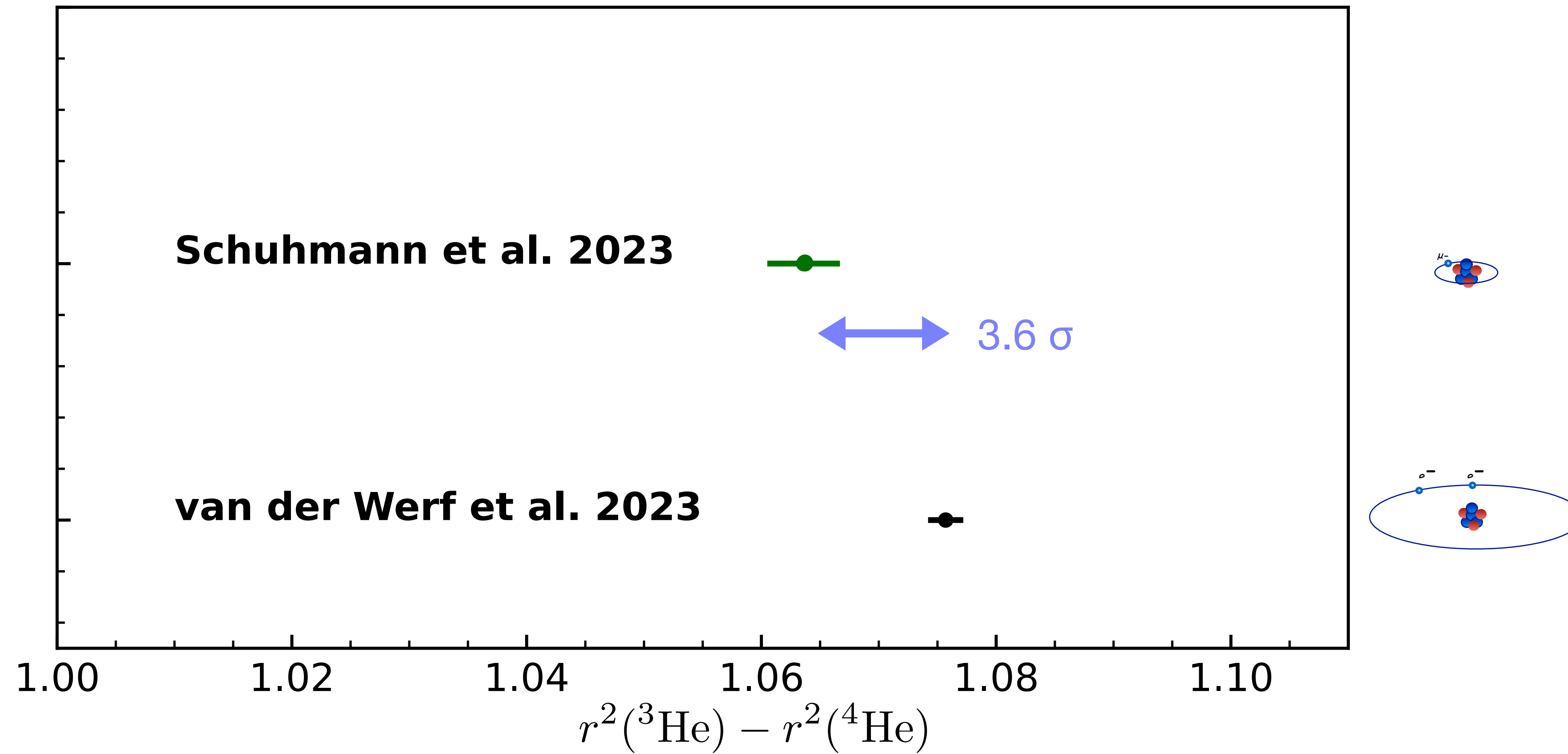
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Applications to Atomic Physics

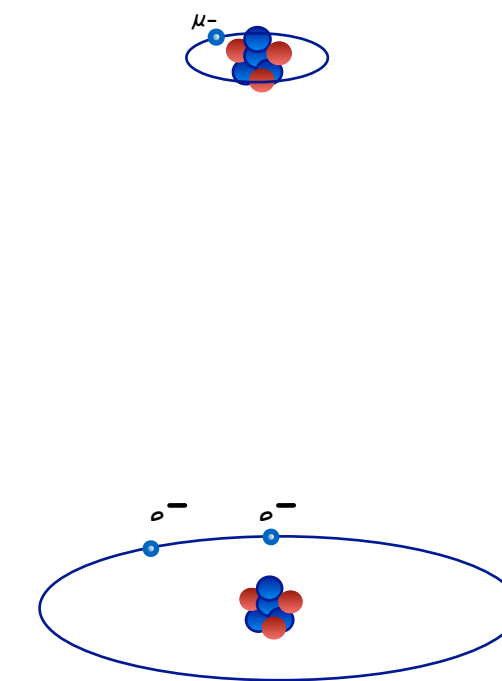
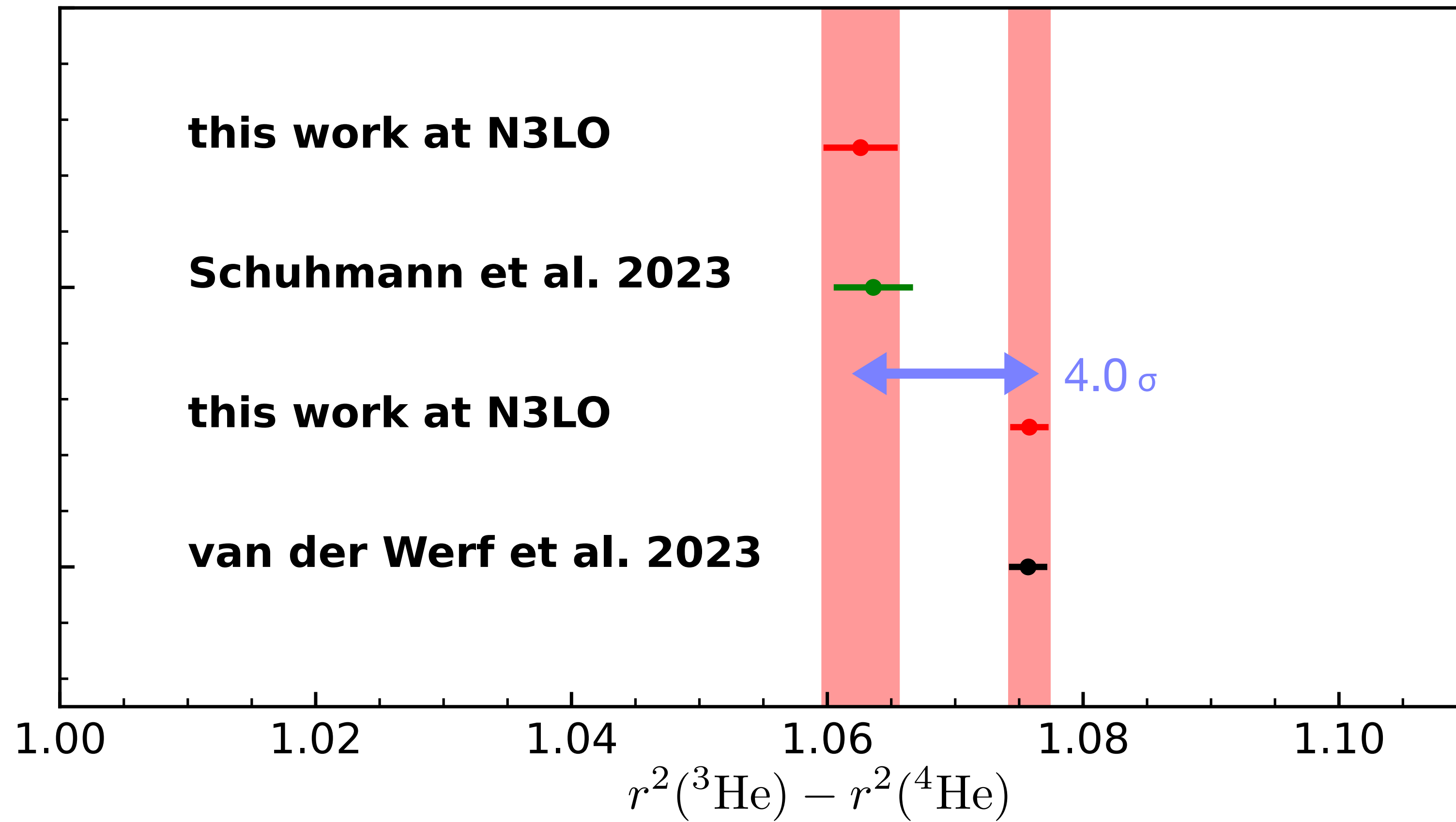
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See Simone Li Muli's talk

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Challenges & Questions

- Should we do model mixing?
- Should we develop emulators?
- What can we do with the ^4He monopole puzzle?

Experimental extractions of 0^+_2

E_r (MeV)	Γ_r (MeV)	Probe
20.31 ± 0.01	0.29 ± 0.01	(α, α)
20.40 ± 0.04	0.33 ± 0.03	(α, α)
20.28 ± 0.05	0.41 ± 0.05	(α, α)
20.29 ± 0.02	0.89 ± 0.04	(α, α)
20.46 ± 0.14	0.34 ± 0.04	(p,p)
20.26 ± 0.16	0.39 ± 0.10	(e,e)
20.10 ± 0.05	0.27 ± 0.05	(e,e)
20.12 ± 0.16	0.24 ± 0.07	(e,e)
20.21	0.26 ± 0.05	(e,e)
20.21	0.29 ± 0.03	(e,e)

Year	Potential	Method	Continuum	E_r =Position of 0^+_2	Comments
2004	AV8+Central 3NF	GEM	No	20.25	Describes data
2013	AV18+UIX	LIT/HH	Yes*	21	Too high
2013	N3LO+N2LO	LIT/HH	Yes*	21	Too high
2023	AV8+Central 3NF	LIT/HH	No	20	Describes data
2023	Vlowk	NCGSM-CCC	Yes	Tuned	No 3NF, describes data
2023	SU4	NLEFT	No	20-20.30	Describes data, modified tail
2024	N3LO+N2LO*	HH	Yes	20.30	Describes data, a bit high
2024	Daejeon16	NCSM	No	?	Too high