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Nucleon-nucleon interaction in manifestly Lorentz-invariant ChEFT

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OUTLINE

- Introduction
- Theoretical framework
- Results and discussion
- Summary



Nuclear force

- Acts between two or more nucleons
- Binds protons and neutrons into atomic nuclei
- Plays an **important** role in whole nuclear physics
 - Ab-initio calculation *R. Machleidt, arXiv:2307.06416*

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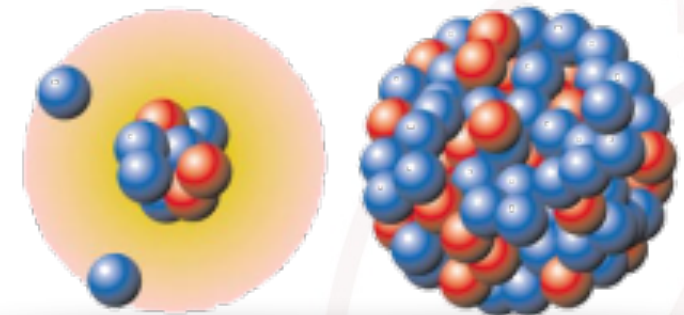
**Realistic
Nuclear force**

e.g. NN: AV18, CD-Bonn, Reid93, $N^3\text{LO}$...
3N: Tucson-Melbourne, NNLO...

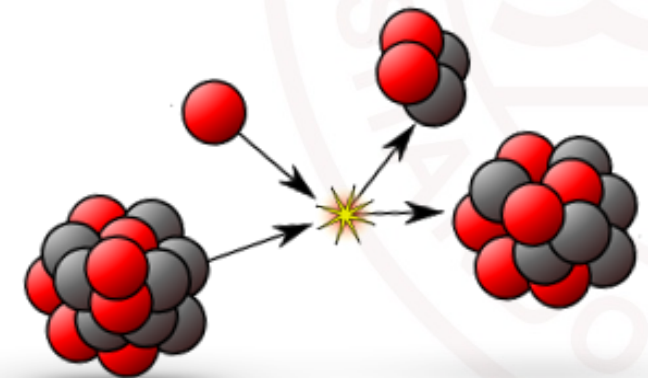
Exactly Solve:

**Many-Body
Hamiltonian**

e.g. no-core shell model,
Green's function MC method,
(R) Brueckner-Hartree-Fock
Nuclear Lattice EFT...



Nuclear structure



Nuclear reaction

Detailed understanding of the strong nuclear force is essential!

Nuclear force from QCD

- **Residual** quark-gluon strong interaction
- Understood from **Q**uantum **C**hromo-**D**ynamics

- Fundamental theory for strong interactions

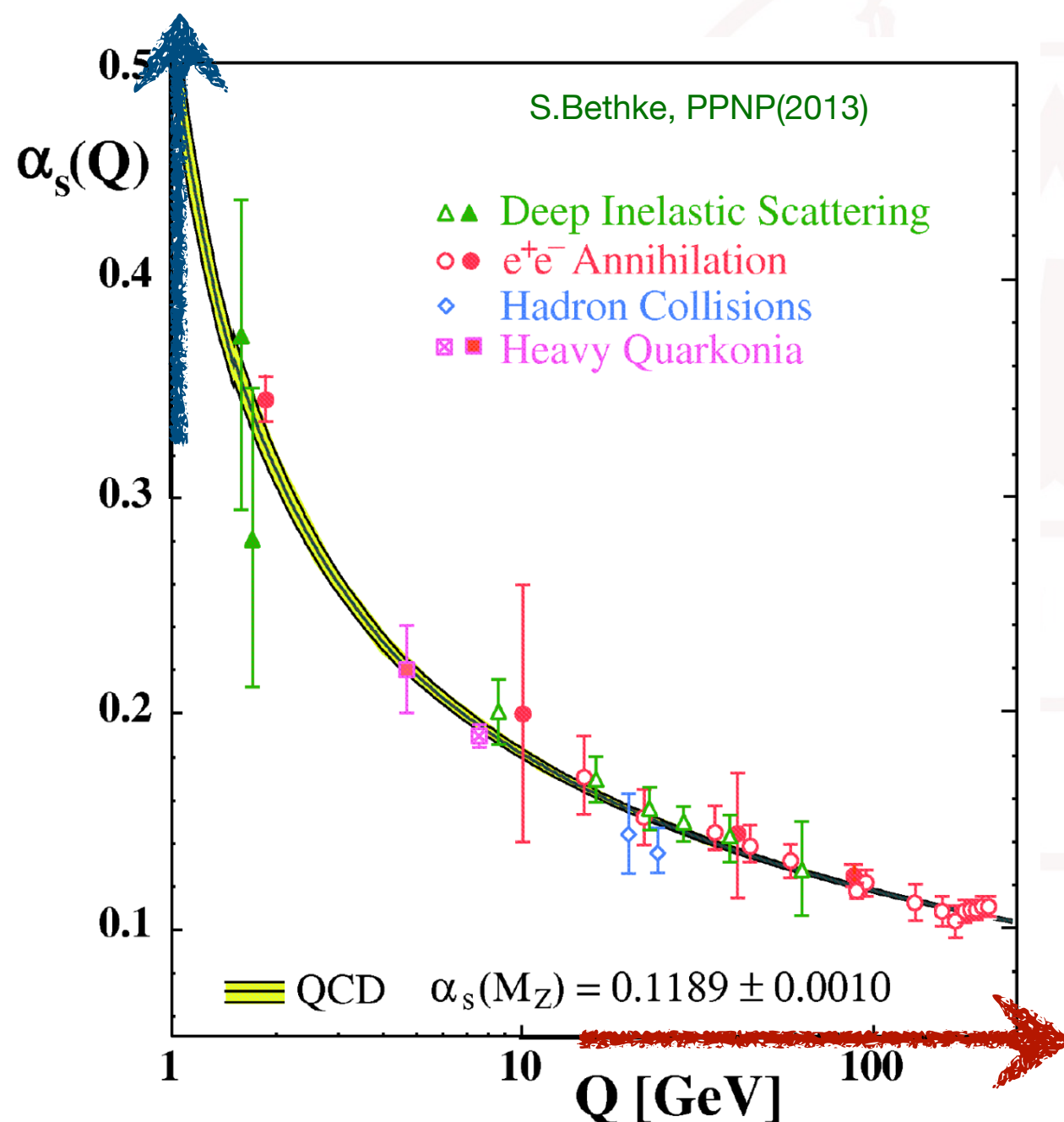
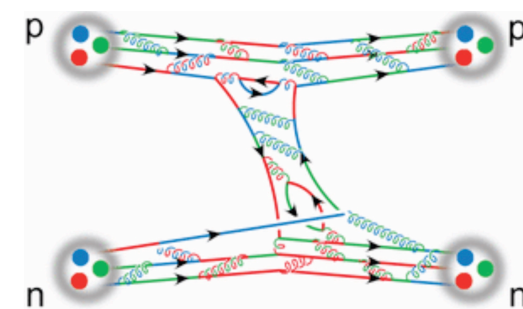
- In the low-energy region

- ✓ Running coupling constant

- ✓ Non-perturbative QCD $\alpha_s > 1$

Low-energy phenomena

- Phenomenological models
- Lattice QCD simulations
- **Chiral effective field theory**

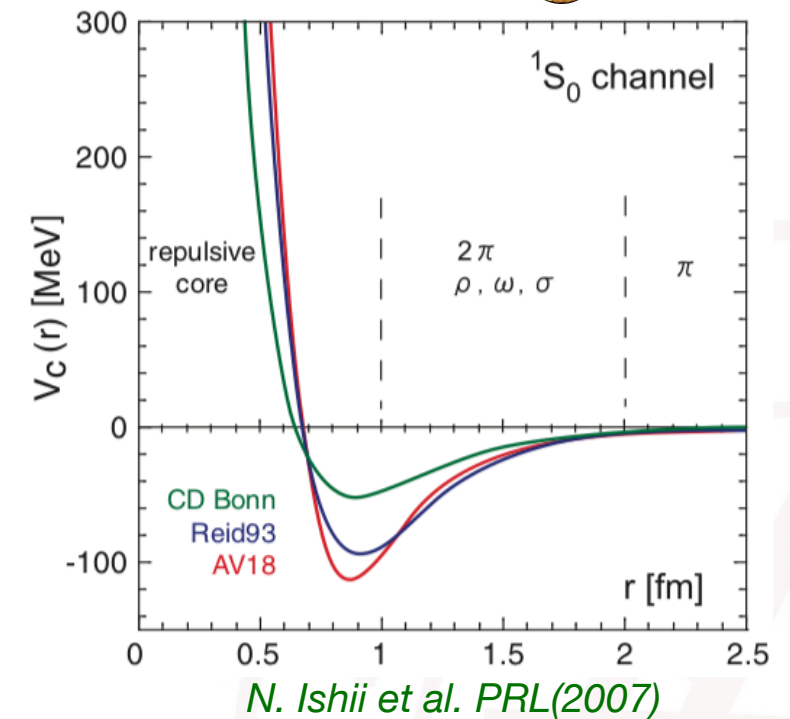
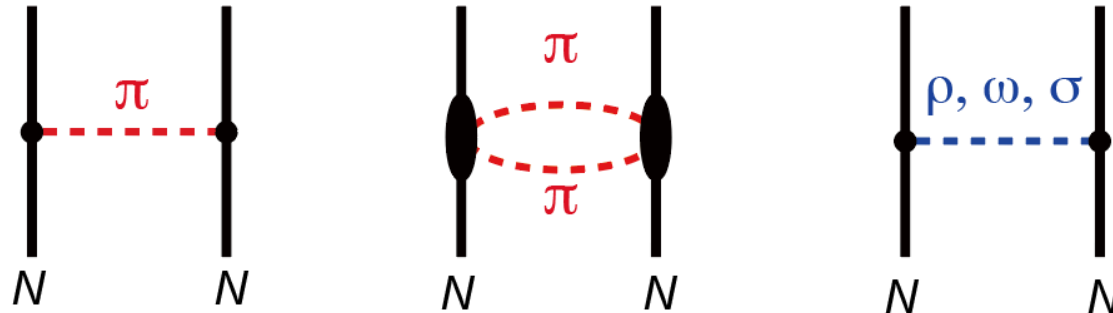


Nuclear force studies

□ NF from phenomenological models (since 1935, Yukawa OPE)



- Meson “theory”: **CD-Bonn** *R. Machleidt, PRC2001*



- Operators parameterization: **Reid93**, *V. Stoks, PRC(1994)*
AV18, *R. Wiringa, PRC(1994)*

$$V_{NN} = V_c(r) \hat{1} + V_\sigma(r) \sigma_1 \cdot \sigma_2 + V_{LS}(r) L \cdot S + V_T(r) \sigma_1 \cdot q \sigma_2 \cdot q + \dots$$

□ NF from lattice QCD simulations (since 2006)

- HAL QCD coll. *T. Hatsuda, S. Aoki, T. Doi et al.*
- NPLQCD coll. *S. Beane, M. Savage et al.*
 - ✓ CalLat coll. / sLapHnn coll.
 - ✓ T. Yamazaki et al.
- Mainz coll. *H. Wittig, H. Meyer et al.*



Nuclear force — Weinberg's seminal work



Nuclear forces from chiral lagrangians

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EFFECTIVE CHIRAL LAGRANGIANS FOR NUCLEON-PION INTERACTIONS AND NUCLEAR FORCES

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- **Self-consistently** include many-body forces

$$V = V_{2N} + V_{3N} + V_{4N} + \dots$$

- **Systematically improve** order by order (heavy baryon ChEFT)

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

- Scattering amplitude: **Schrödinger / Lippmann-Schwinger Eq.**

$$\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^A -\frac{\nabla_i^2}{2m_N} \right) + V_{2N} + V_{3N} + V_{4N} + \dots \right] |\Psi\rangle = E |\Psi\rangle$$

- Provide a systematic and solid theoretical approach to study the few-nucleon scattering

Renormalization issue of chiral force

□ Renormalizability: important feature of an EFT

- Iteration of the chiral NN potential within LSE

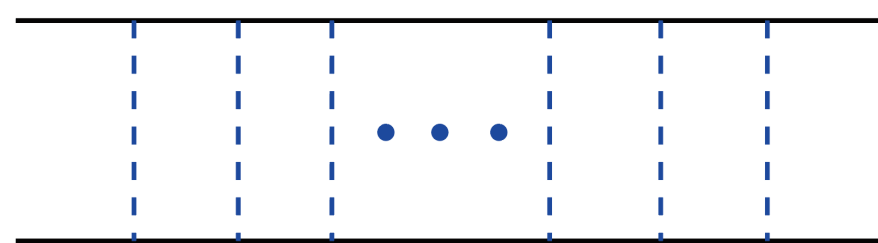
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➔ **UV divergencies cannot be absorbed by contact terms!**

- Leading order NN potential

$$V_{\text{LO}} = C_S + C_T \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 - \frac{g_A^2}{4f_\pi^2} \boldsymbol{\tau}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_2 \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q}}{q^2 + m_\pi^2}$$

- Iterated one-pion exchange potential (ladder diagrams)



M. Savage, arXiv:nucl-th/9804034

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Spin-triplet

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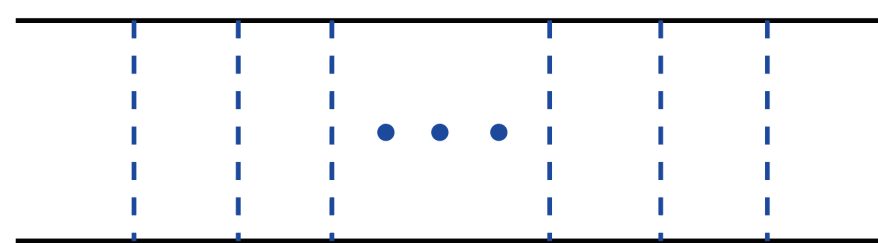
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Weinberg's proposal is inconsistent with renormalization, even at LO!

Deal with the renormalization issue

□ Possible solutions

• Weinberg power counting

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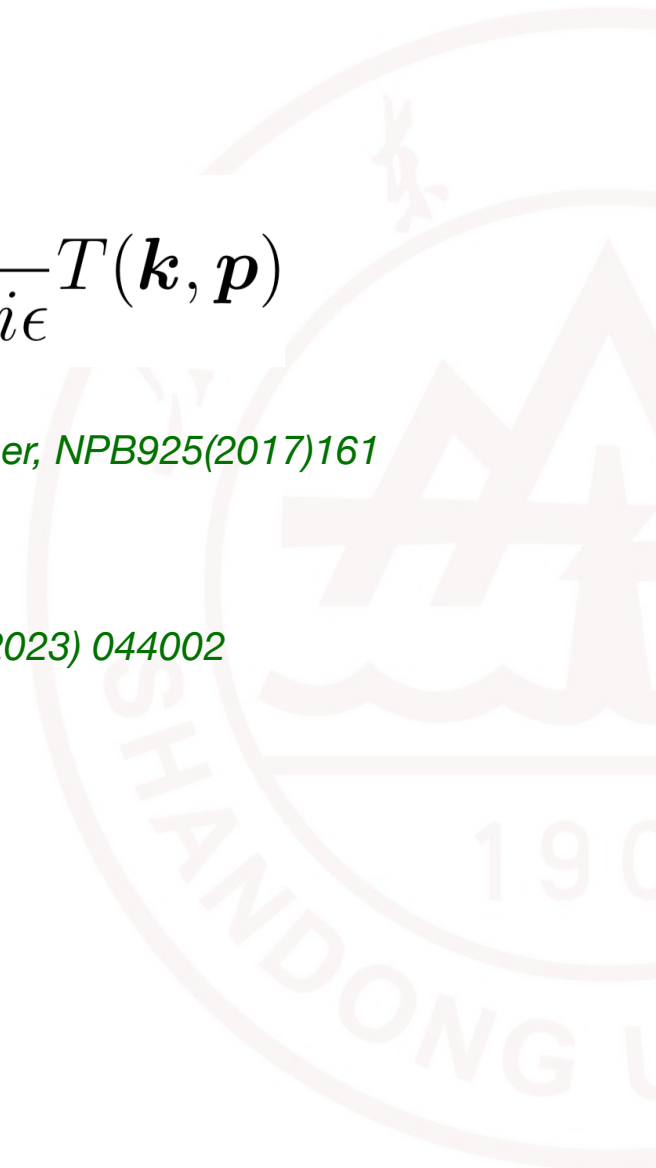
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✓ WPC is **consistent** *G.P. Lepage, nucl-th/9706029; E. Epelbaum, J. Gegelia, Ulf-G. Meißner, NPB925(2017)161*

▸ Renormalization achieved only at **infinite** chiral order
















▸ Towards a formal proof *A.M. Gasparyan, E. Epelbaum PRC105(2022)024001; 107 (2023) 044002*



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| | 2NF | 3NF | 4NF | | |
|-----------------------------|--|--|--|---------------------------------|---|
| LO (Q^0) |  <i>S. Weinberg, PLB 1990, NPB1990</i> |  |  | 1990 | LO |
| NLO (Q^2) |  <i>U. van Kolck et al, PLB1992, PRL1994 N. Kaiser et al., NPA1997</i> |  |  | | |
| N ² LO (Q^3) |  <i>U. van Kolck et al., PRC1994 E. Epelbaum et al., NPA1998, 2000</i> |  <i>U. van Kolck et al., PRC1994</i> |  | | |
| N ³ LO (Q^4) |  <i>R. Machleidt et al., PRC2003 E. Epelbaum et al., NPA2005</i> |  <i>S. Ishikwas et al., PRC2007 V. Bernard et al., PRC2007</i> |  <i>E. Epelbaum, PLB2006, EPJA2007</i> | 2003 2007 | N³LO: 2N N³LO: 3N |
| N ⁴ LO (Q^5) |  <i>R. Machleidt et al., PRC2015 E. Epelbaum et al., PRL2015</i> |  <i>H. Krebs et al, PRC2012,2013</i> <i>Short-range loop contrib. still missing</i> |  <i>Not yet...</i> | 2015 In future | N⁴LO: 2N N⁴LO: 3N & 4N N⁵LO: 2N |

P. F. Bedaque, U. van Kolck, Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. 52 (2002) 339
E. Epelbaum, H.-W. Hammer, Ulf-G. Meißner, Rev. Mod. Phys. 81 (2009) 1773
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✓ High precision chiral nuclear force

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| | Phenomenological forces | | | Non-Rel. Chiral nuclear force | | | | |
|--|-------------------------|------|---------|-------------------------------|------|------|-----------------------|--|
| | Reid93 | AV18 | CD-Bonn | LO | NLO | NNLO | N ³ LO | N ⁴ LO ⁺ |
| No. of para. | 50 | 40 | 38 | 2+2 | 9+2 | 9+2 | 24+2 (3 redundant) | include 4 ct. in F-waves 24+3+4 (3 redundant) |
| χ^2/datum <i>np 0-300 MeV</i> | 1.03 | 1.04 | 1.02 | 94 | 36.7 | 5.28 | 1.27 | 1.10 |
| | | | | 75 | 14 | 4.2 | 2.01 | 1.06 |

D. Entem, et al., PRC96(2017)024004

P. Reinert, et al., EPJA54(2018)86

Idaho

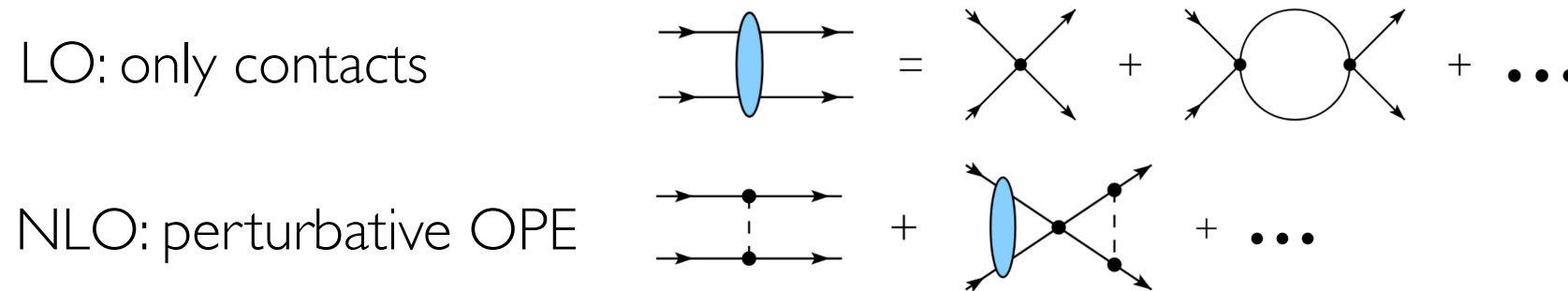
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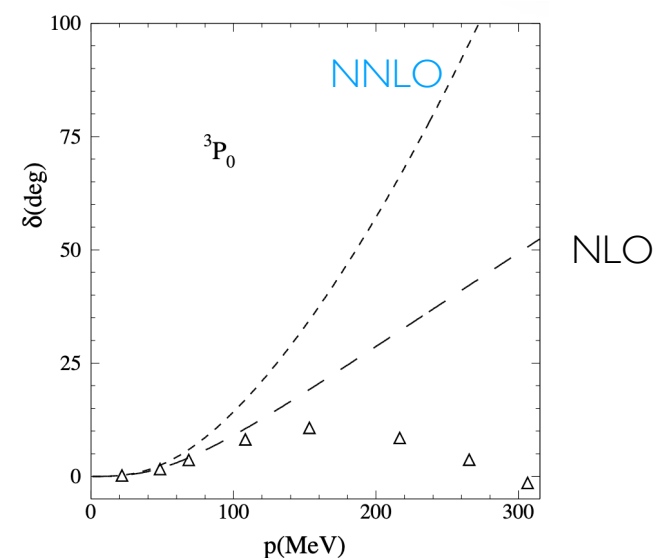
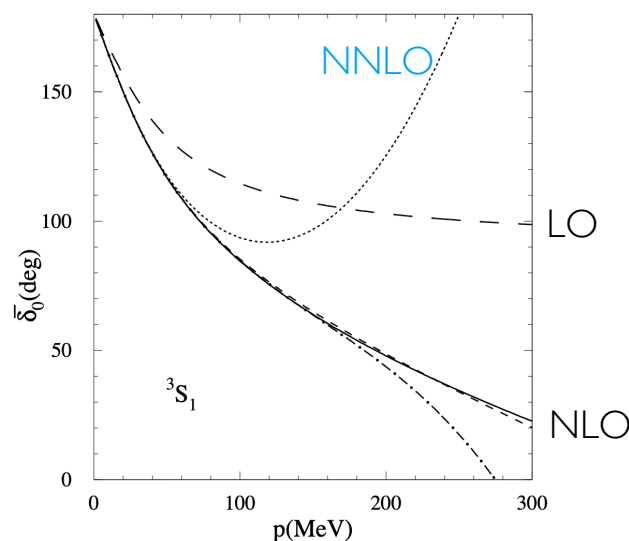
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✓ Treat the exchange of pions perturbatively *D.B. Kaplan, M.J. Savage, M.B. Wise, PLB424(1998)390*



✓ **Fail to converge** in certain spin-triplet channels *S. Fleming, et al., Nucl.Phys. A677 (2000) 313*
D.B. Kaplan, PRC102(2020)034004



✓ Perturbative pion scheme with re-organized contacts *Bingwei Long et al. CD2024, in progress*

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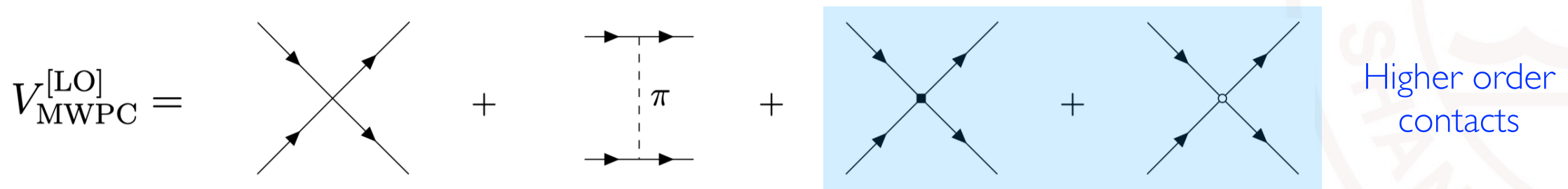
✓ Promote the higher order contact terms to the lower chiral order

A. Nogga, et al., PRC72(2005)054006 M. C. Birse, PRC74(2006)014003 M. Pavon Valderrama, PRC72(2005) 054002.

B. Long and C.-J. Yang, PRC84(2011)057001 ...

H. W. Hammer, S. König, U. van Kolck, Rev. Mod. Phys. 92(2), 025004 (2020)

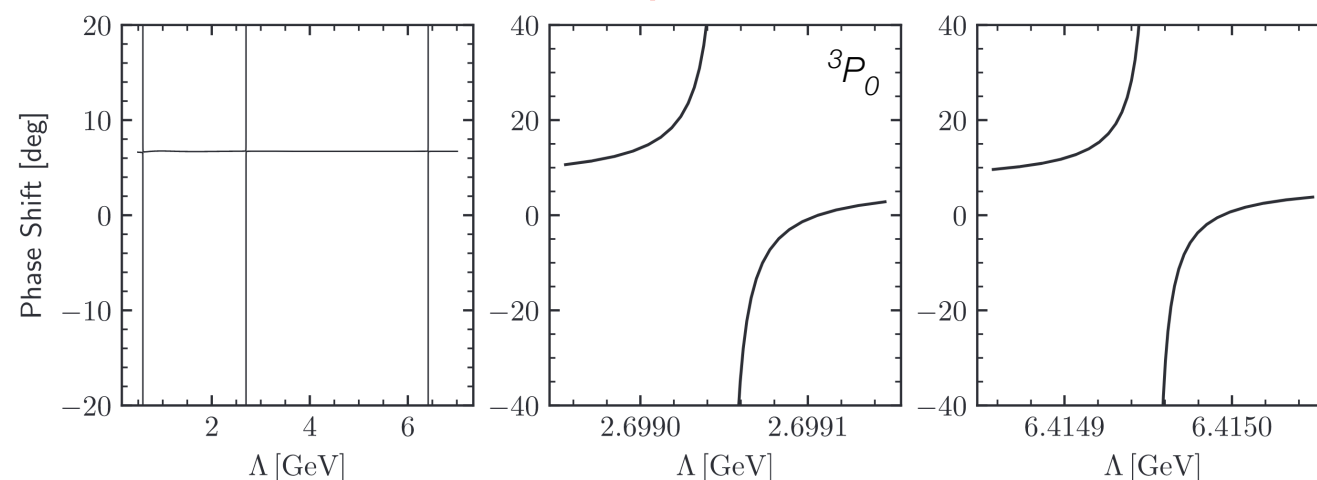
✓ Renormalization achieved at **every** chiral order with $\Lambda \gg \Lambda_{\chi PT}$



▶ Seemingly **cannot be fulfilled due to exceptional cutoffs**

A. Gasparyan, E. Epelbaum, PRC107, 034001 (2023)

C.-J. Yang, PRC 112, 014004 (2025)



Elab=130 MeV

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Still under debate !!!

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10 Nuclear Forces in a Manifestly Lorentz-Invariant Formulation of Chiral Effective Field Theory by Xiu-Lei Ren, Evgeny Epelbaum, Jambul Gegelia

We outline the advantages and disadvantages of manifestly Lorentz-invariant formulation of chiral effective field theory (χ EFT) for the nuclear forces compared to the non-relativistic formalism.

Chiral forces in Lorentz invariant framework

□ Initial idea: modified Weinberg approach E. Epelbaum and J. Gegelia, PLB716(2012)338-344

- Employ the covariant chiral Lagrangian
- Apply **Weinberg power counting** to organize the NN potential
- ✓ Relativistic corrections are perturbatively included

$$V(p', p) = \bar{u}_1 \bar{u}_2 \mathcal{A} u_1 u_2, \quad \text{with} \quad u = u_0 + u_1 + u_2 + \dots$$

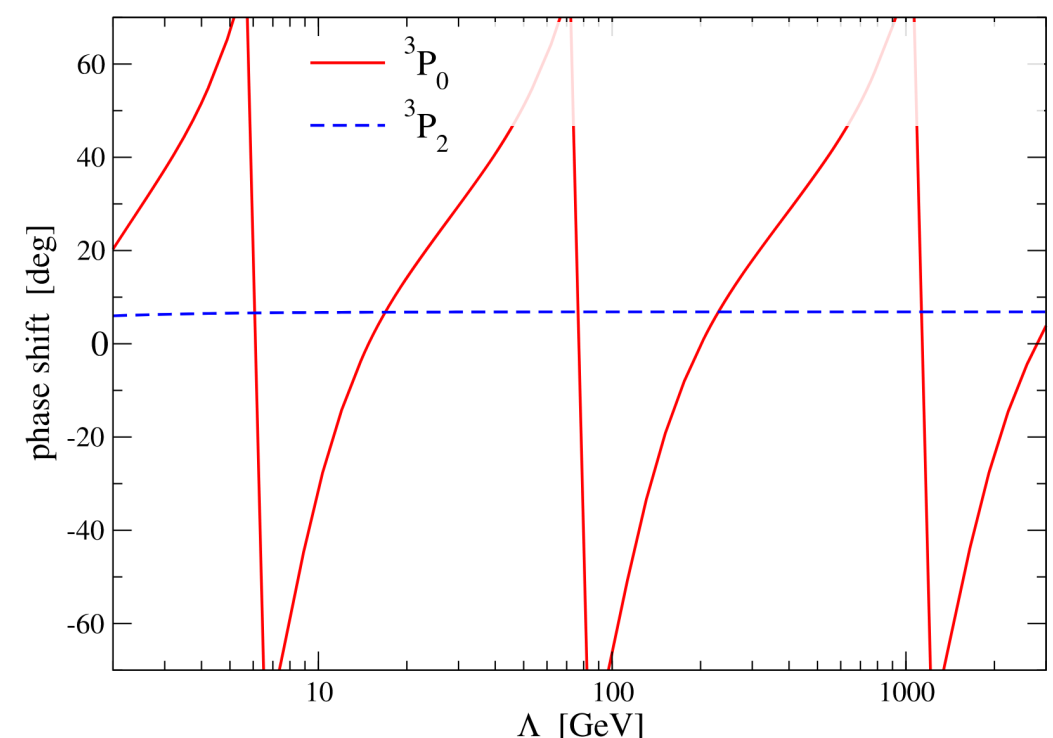
- Use **Kadyshevsky equation** to calculate the scattering T-matrix

V. Kadyshevsky, NPB (1968)

$$T(p', p) = V(p', p) + \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} V(p', k) \frac{m_N^2}{2(k^2 + m_N^2)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{p^2 + m_N^2} - \sqrt{k^2 + m_N^2} + i\epsilon} T(k, p)$$

- **LO study: a renormalizable framework**

- **No need a finite cutoff** to numerically solve the scattering equation
- **A good starting point** to investigate the renormalization issue in rel. scheme



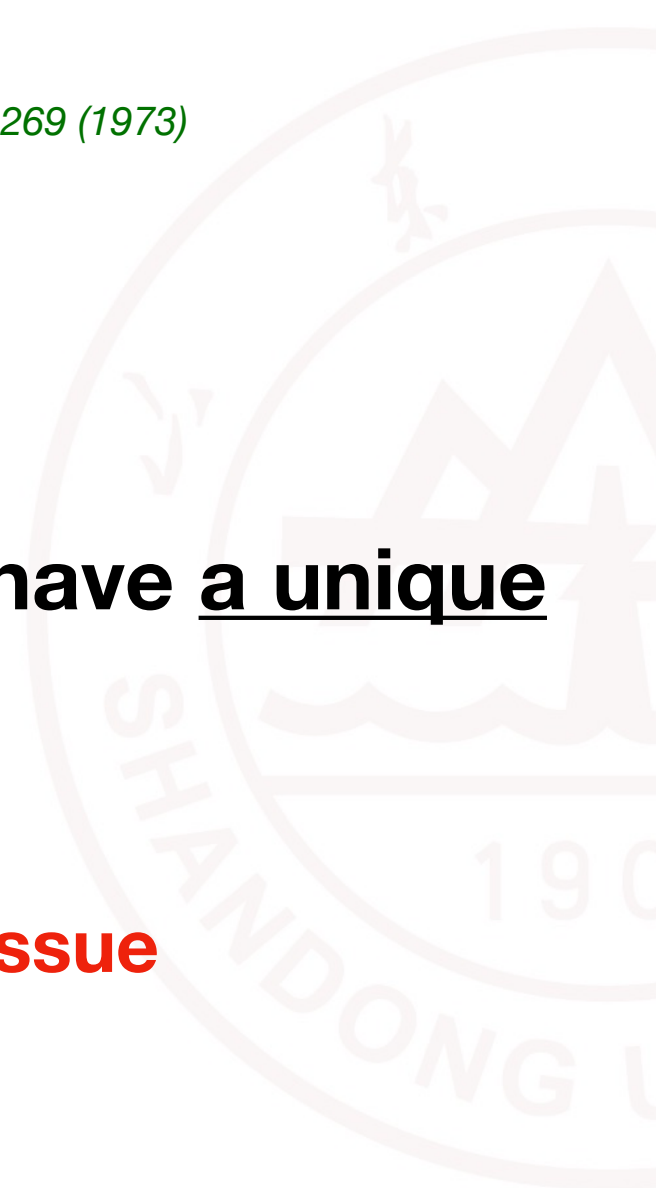
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□ We proposed a **systematic framework** within the [time-ordered perturbation theory \(TOPT\)](#) using covariant chiral Lagrangians

- Formulate the NN interaction up to **next-to-next-to-leading order**

Theoretical framework



Major procedures of chiral NF

- ① Effective Lagrangians from chiral perturbation theory
- ② Drive the NF from Lagrangian (power counting, **unknown** coupling constants)
- ③ Obtain the scattering amplitude by solving the **Schrödinger / Lippmann-Schwinger equation** (other scattering equations)
- ④ Describe partial wave phase shifts, scattering data

Chiral Perturbation Theory

Effective field theory of low-energy QCD

- Chiral symmetry $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$
- Spontaneous and explicit symmetry breaking
 \Rightarrow Pseudo-Goldstone bosons (GBs): pion...

- Map u, d quark d.o.f.s to GBs

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}}[q, \bar{q}; G] \Longrightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\text{ChPT}}[U, \partial U, B, \mathcal{M}, \dots].$$

Callan, Coleman, Wess, Zumino, Phys.Rev. 177(1969)177

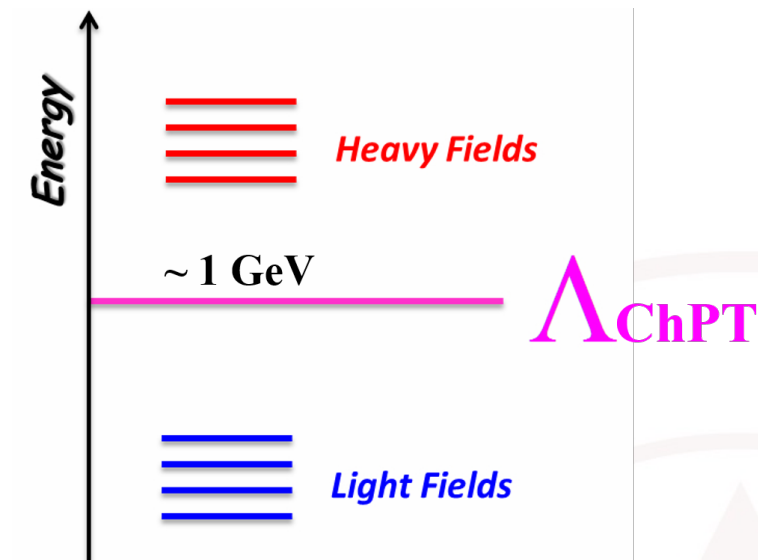
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S. Weinberg, Phys.A 96(1979)327



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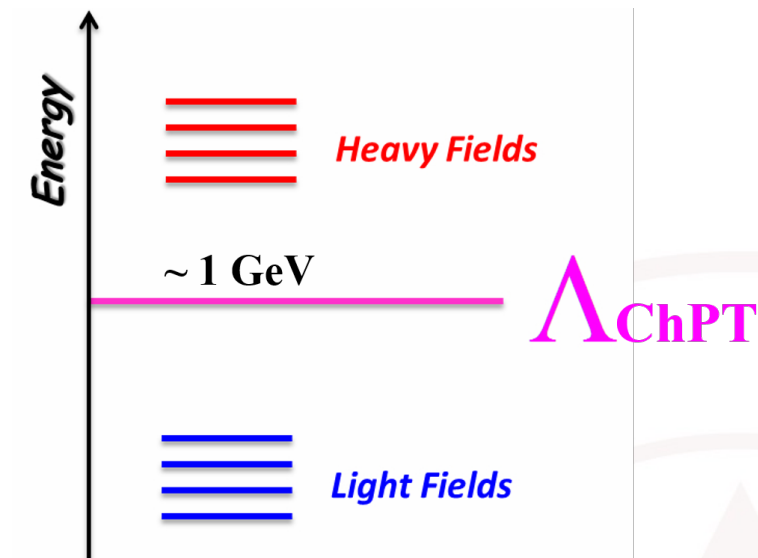
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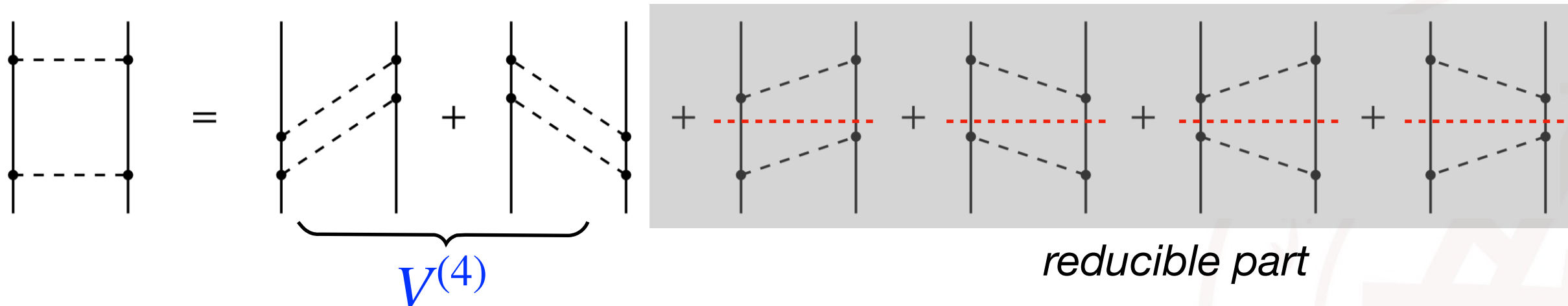
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□ Nuclear force from Chiral Lagrangians

- Irreducible time-ordered diagrams

Weinberg '90; van Kolck et al. '93, ...

✓ Box diagram, two pion exchange contribution:



- Matching to the amplitude (**perturbatively**)

Kaiser '97, Machleidt, '03 ...

$$V^{(4)} = \text{[Diagram of } V^{(4)} \text{]} = \text{[Diagram of } A_{\text{ChPT}} \text{]} - \text{[Diagram of } V^{(2)} G_0 V^{(2)} \text{]}$$

The equation shows the matching of the irreducible part $V^{(4)}$ to the amplitude A_{ChPT} minus the reducible part $V^{(2)} G_0 V^{(2)}$. The diagrams are represented by circles with internal lines and dots.

- Decouple pion states via a suitable **unitary transition** in the Fock space

Epelbaum, Glockle, Meissner, '98



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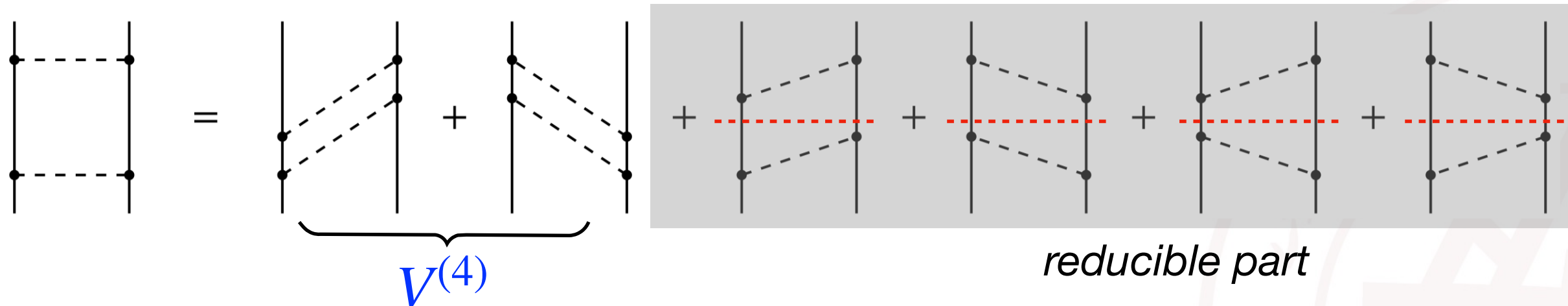
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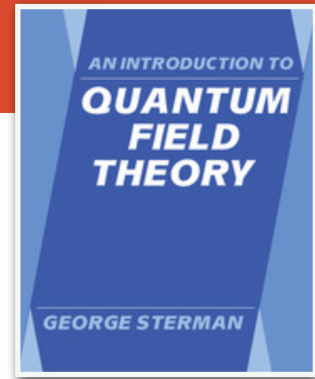
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TOPT with covariant Lagrangian



□ Time-ordered perturbation theory (TOPT)

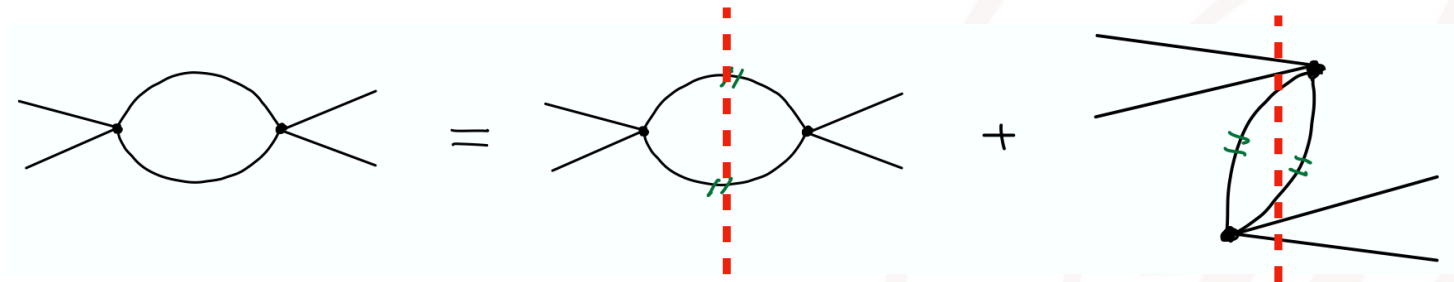
- Definition

S. Weinberg, Phys.Rev.150(1966)1313

G.F. Stermann, "An introduction to quantum field theory", Cambridge (1993)

- ✓ Re-express the Feynman integral in a form that **makes the connection with on-mass-shell (off-energy shell) state explicit**. This form is called **TOPT or old-fashioned PT**
- ✓ (In short) Instead the propagators for internal lines as the **energy denominators for intermediate states**

- Advantages



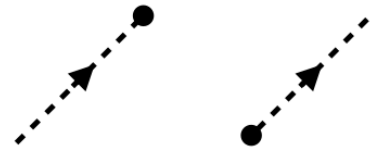
- ✓ Explicitly show the unitarity
 - ✓ One-to-one relation between internal lines and intermediate states
 - ✓ Easily to tell the contributions of a particular diagram
- Derive the rules for time-ordered diagrams
 - ✓ Perform Feynman integrations **over the zeroth components** of the loop momenta
 - ✓ Decompose Feynman diagram into sums of time-ordered diagrams
 - ✓ Match to the rules of time-ordered diagrams

Diagrammatic rules in TOPT

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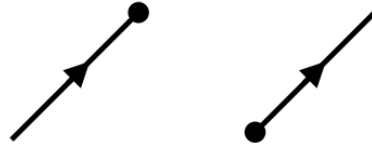
► External lines

Spin 0 boson (in, out)



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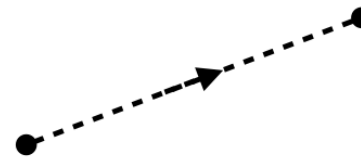
Spin 1/2 fermion (in, out)



$u(\mathbf{p}), \quad \bar{u}(\mathbf{p}')$

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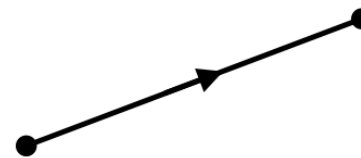
Spin 0 (anti-)boson



$$\frac{1}{2\epsilon_q}$$

$$\epsilon_q \equiv \sqrt{\mathbf{q}^2 + M^2}$$

Spin 1/2 fermion



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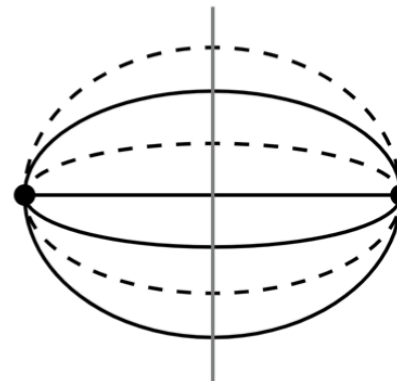
anti-fermion



$$\frac{m}{\omega_p} \sum u(\mathbf{p})\bar{u}(\mathbf{p}) - \gamma_0$$

► Intermediate state

A set of lines between two vertices



$$\frac{1}{E - \sum_i \omega_{p_i} - \sum_j \epsilon_{q_j} + i\epsilon}$$

► Interaction vertices: the standard Feynman rules

- Zeroth components of integration momenta

✓ particle $p^0 \rightarrow \omega(p, m)$

✓ antiparticle $p^0 \rightarrow -\omega(p, m)$

Chiral potential in TOPT

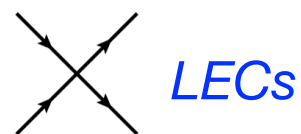
□ Chiral potential V

- **Define:** sum up the two-nucleon **irreducible time-ordered diagrams**
- **Power counting:** **systematic ordering of all graphs**
 - ✓ Employ the **Weinberg power counting** to perturbatively calculate potential

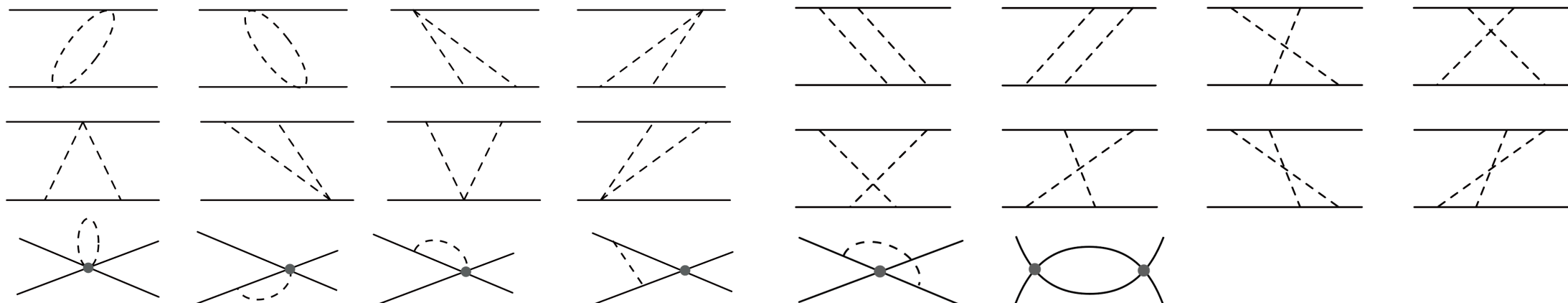
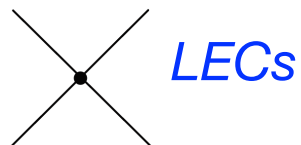
$$V_{\text{eff}} = \sum_{\nu} (Q/\Lambda_{\chi})^{\nu} \mathcal{V}_{\nu}$$

$$\nu = 2 - \frac{1}{2}N + 2L + \sum_i v_i \Delta_i, \quad \Delta_i = d_i + \frac{1}{2}n_i - 2$$

- Leading Order:

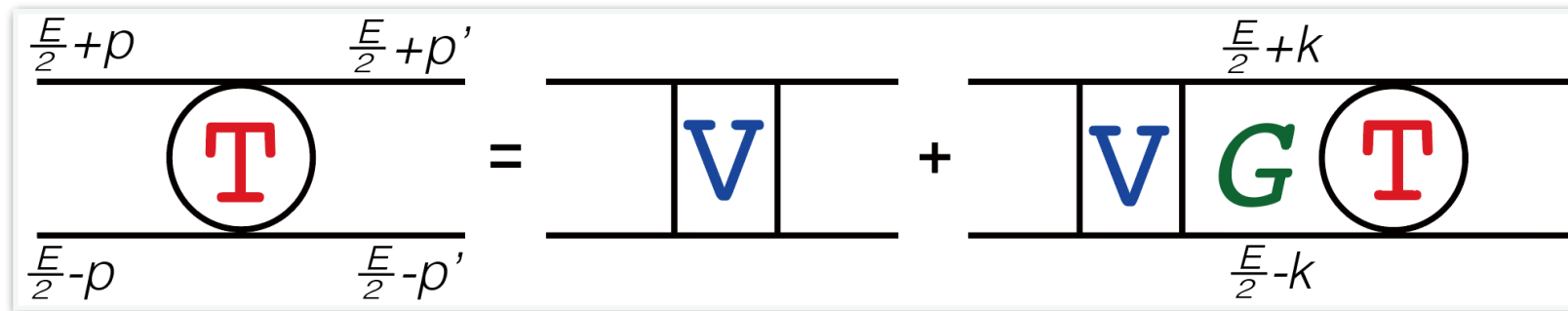


- Next-to-Leading Order:



Scattering equation in TOPT

- Scattering amplitude T (non-perturbative)



- Non.-Rel.: Lippmann-Schwinger equation

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- Rel.: **Kadyshevsky equation** (SELF-CONSISTENTLY obtained in TOPT)

- Two-body Green functions G :

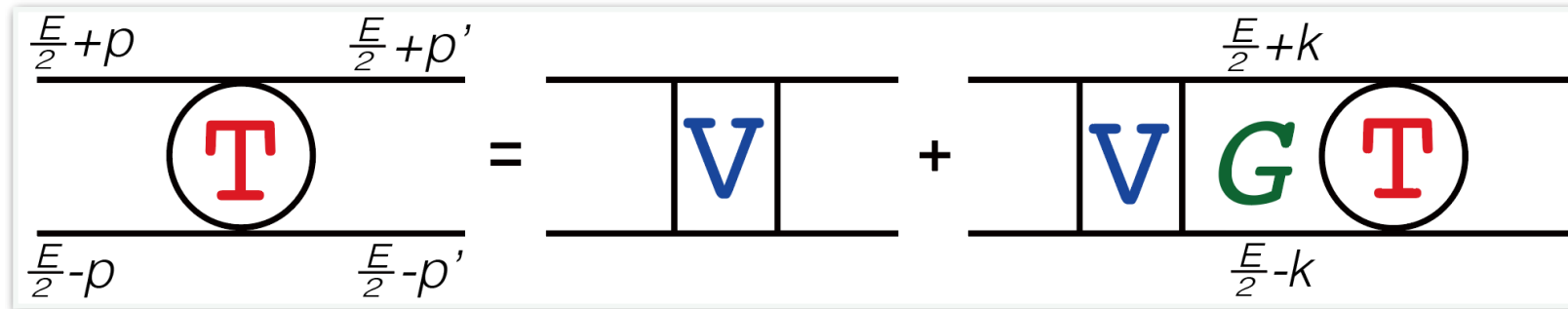
$$G_{ij}(E) = \frac{1}{E(k, m_i) E(k, m_j)} \frac{m_i m_j}{E - E(k, m_i) - E(k, m_j) + i\epsilon}$$

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- e.g. p.w. channels for NN scattering

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|------------|---------|------------------------------------|
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| $J=2$ | 1D_2 | $^3D_2, ^3F_2, ^3P_2, ^3F_2-^3P_2$ |
| | | |

- p.w. phase shifts

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H. P. Stapp, et al., Phys. Rev., 105: 302 (1957)

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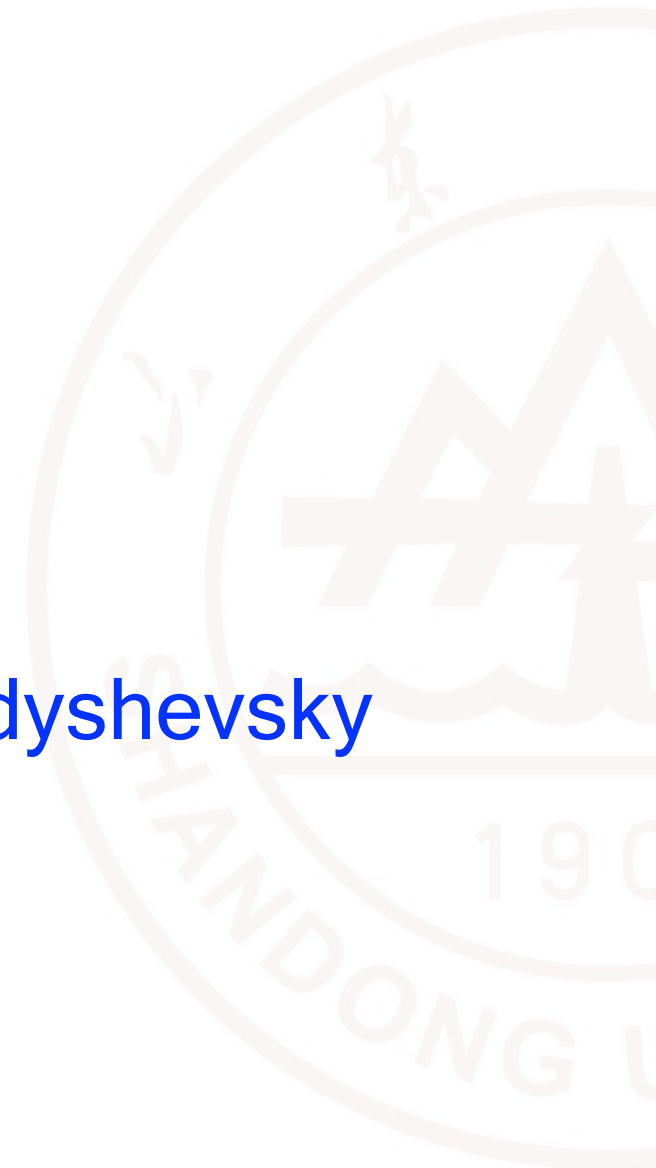
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Major procedures of chiral NF

- ① Effective Lagrangians from chiral perturbation theory
 - Lorentz invariant chiral Lagrangian
- ② Drive the NF from Lagrangian
 - Irreducible time-ordered diagrams
 - Weinberg power counting
- ③ Obtain the scattering amplitude by solving the Kadyshevsky equation
 - **Self-consistently** obtained in TOPT
- ④ Describe partial wave phase shifts, scattering data



Related tutorials & lecture notes

- general: **EE, Nuclear forces from chiral EFT: A primer, arXiv:1001.3229**
- renormalization:
Lepage, How to renormalize the Schrödinger equation, nucl/th:9706029
- RG analysis:
Birse, The renormalization group and nuclear forces, Phil. Trans. Roy. Soc. Lond. A369 (2011) 2662
- Uncertainty quantification:
Weselowski et al., Bayesian parameter estimation for effective field theories, J.Phys. G43 (2016) 074001
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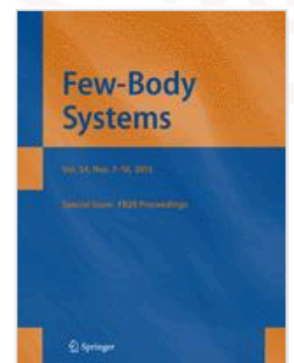
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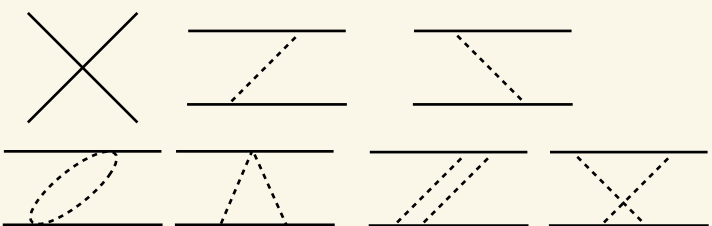
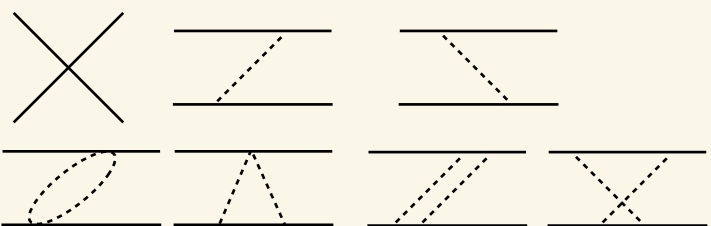
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Short summary for theoretical framework

- Follow the standard procedure of formulating chiral forces in time-ordered perturbation theory

*S. Weinberg, PLB1990, NPB1991;
C. Ordóñez, U. van Kolck PLB(1992)
...*

| | Non-relativistic (Heavy-baryon) | Lorentz invariant |
|---|--|--|
| Chiral Lagrangians | $N^\dagger [i(v \cdot D) + g_A(S \cdot u)] N$ $-\frac{1}{2}C_S (N^\dagger N) (N^\dagger N) - \frac{1}{2}C_T (N^\dagger \vec{\sigma} N) (N^\dagger \vec{\sigma} N) + \dots$ | $\bar{\Psi}_N \left\{ i\gamma_\mu D^\mu - m_N + \frac{1}{2}g_A \gamma_5 \right\} \Psi_N$ $+\frac{1}{2} \left[C_S (\bar{\Psi}_N \Psi_N) (\bar{\Psi}_N \Psi_N) + C_A (\bar{\Psi}_N \gamma_5 \Psi_N) (\bar{\Psi}_N \gamma_5 \Psi_N) \right.$ $+ C_V (\bar{\Psi}_N \gamma_\mu \Psi_N) (\bar{\Psi}_N \gamma^\mu \Psi_N) + C_{AV} (\bar{\Psi}_N \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \Psi_N) (\bar{\Psi}_N \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \Psi_N)$ $\left. + C_T (\bar{\Psi}_N \sigma_{\mu\nu} \Psi_N) (\bar{\Psi}_N \sigma^{\mu\nu} \Psi_N) \right] + \dots$ |
| Potential TOPT diagrams |  |  |
| Scattering equations ($T = V + VGT$) | Lippmann-Schwinger eq. | Kadyshevsky eq. |
| Power counting | Weinberg p.c. | Weinberg p.c. |

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$1/m_N$

Extend to BB and MB scatterings

| | Baryon-baryon scattering | Meson-baryon scattering |
|----------------------------|--|--|
| Potential TOPT diagrams | | |
| Green function | $G_{ij}^{BB}(E) = \frac{m_i m_j}{\omega_{m_i} \omega_{m_j}} \frac{1}{E - \omega_{m_i} - \omega_{m_j} + i\epsilon}$ | $G^{MB}(E) = \frac{m}{2\omega_M \omega_m} \frac{1}{E - \omega_M - \omega_m + i\epsilon}$ |

□ Unify the description of SU(3) baryon-baryon and meson-baryon scatterings within our TOPT framework

- $S = -1$ baryon-baryon interaction at LO

XLR, E. Epelbaum, J. Gegelia, Phys. Rev. C 101, 034001 (2020)

- $S = -1$ meson-baryon interaction at LO and NLO / $\Lambda(1405)$

XLR, E. Epelbaum, J. Gegelia and U.-G. Meißner, EPJC 80 (2020) 406; 81 (2021) 582;
 XLR, Phys. Lett. B 855, 138802 (2024)
 XLR et al., work in progress

Results and discussion



Chiral Lagrangian up to NNLO

□ Lorentz-invariant effective Lagrangians

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \mathcal{L}_{\pi\pi}^{(2)} + \mathcal{L}_{\pi N}^{(1)} + \mathcal{L}_{\pi N}^{(2)} + \mathcal{L}_{NN}^{(0)} + \mathcal{L}_{NN}^{(2)}$$

- Purely pionic sector *J.Gasser, H. Leutwyler, Ann.Phys.(1984)*

$$\mathcal{L}_{\pi\pi}^{(2)} = \frac{f_\pi^2}{4} \langle u_\mu u^\mu + \chi_+ \rangle.$$

- One-nucleon sector *J. Gasser, M. E. Sainio, and A. Svarc, NPB(1988)*

$$\mathcal{L}_{\pi N}^{(1)} = \bar{\Psi}_N \left\{ i \not{D} - m_N + \frac{1}{2} g_A \psi \gamma^5 \right\} \Psi_N$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\pi N}^{(2)} = \bar{\Psi}_N \left\{ c_1 \langle \chi_+ \rangle - \frac{c_2}{4m_N^2} \langle u^\mu u^\nu \rangle (D_\mu D_\nu + \text{h.c.}) + \frac{c_3}{2} \langle u^\mu u_\mu \rangle - \frac{c_4}{4} \gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu [u_\mu, u_\nu] \right\} \Psi_N$$

✓ $f_\pi = 92.4 \text{ MeV}$, $g_A = 1.267$, $c_{1,2,3,4}$ determined by πN scattering data

- Two-nucleon sector (with unknown LECs) *N.Fettes, U.-G. Meißner, S. Steininger, NPA(1998)*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{NN}^{(0)} = & \frac{1}{2} \left[C_S (\bar{\Psi}_N \Psi_N) (\bar{\Psi}_N \Psi_N) + C_A (\bar{\Psi}_N \gamma_5 \Psi_N) (\bar{\Psi}_N \gamma_5 \Psi_N) + C_V (\bar{\Psi}_N \gamma_\mu \Psi_N) (\bar{\Psi}_N \gamma^\mu \Psi_N) \right. \\ & \left. + C_{AV} (\bar{\Psi}_N \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \Psi_N) (\bar{\Psi}_N \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \Psi_N) + C_T (\bar{\Psi}_N \sigma_{\mu\nu} \Psi_N) (\bar{\Psi}_N \sigma^{\mu\nu} \Psi_N) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{NN}^{(2)} = \sum_{i=1} \bar{\Psi}_N \bar{\Psi}_N \mathcal{O}_i \Psi_N \Psi_N$$

L.Girlanda, S. Pastore, R. Schiavilla, M. Viviani, PRC(2010)

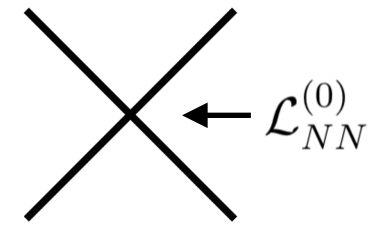
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Leading order potential

□ Contact nucleon-nucleon interaction

- According to our TOPT rules



$$V_{0,C} = C_S(\bar{u}_3 u_1)(\bar{u}_4 u_2) + C_A(\bar{u}_3 \gamma_5 u_1)(\bar{u}_4 \gamma_5 u_2) + C_V(\bar{u}_3 \gamma_\mu u_1)(\bar{u}_4 \gamma^\mu u_2) \\ + C_{AV}(\bar{u}_3 \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 u_1)(\bar{u}_4 \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 u_2) + C_T(\bar{u}_3 \sigma_{\mu\nu} u_1)(\bar{u}_4 \sigma^{\mu\nu} u_2)$$

- Contain **higher order contributions** according to Weinberg P.C.
- Perform the expansion for the nucleon energies

$$\sqrt{\omega(p, m_N) + m_N} = \sqrt{2m_N} + \mathcal{O}(p^2)$$

→ $V_{LO,C} = (C_S + C_V) - (C_{AV} - 2C_T) \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2$

- ✓ Two independent parameters to be fixed
- ✓ Consistent with the non-relativistic contact terms

S. Weinberg, PLB251(1990)288-292

Leading order potential

□ One-pion-exchange (OPE) potential

- According to our TOPT rules



$$V_{0,\text{OPE}} = -\frac{g_A^2}{4f_\pi^2} \boldsymbol{\tau}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_2 \frac{1}{2\omega(q, M_\pi)} \left[\frac{(\bar{u}_3 \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 q_\mu u_1) (\bar{u}_4 \gamma^\nu \gamma_5 q_\nu u_2)}{\omega(p, m_N) + \omega(p', m_N) + \omega(q, M_\pi) - E - i\epsilon} + \frac{(\bar{u}_3 \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 q_\mu u_1) (\bar{u}_4 \gamma^\nu \gamma_5 q_\nu u_2)}{\omega(p, m_N) + \omega(p', m_N) + \omega(q, M_\pi) - E - i\epsilon} \right]$$

- Contains **higher order contributions** according to Weinberg P.C.
- Perform the expansion for the nucleon energies in numerator

$$\sqrt{\omega(p, m_N) + m_N} = \sqrt{2m_N} + \mathcal{O}(p^2)$$

$$V_{\text{OPE}} = -\frac{g_A^2}{4f_\pi^2} \boldsymbol{\tau}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_2 \frac{4m_N^2}{\omega(q, M_\pi) (m_N + \omega(p, m_N)) (m_N + \omega(p', m_N))} \times \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q}}{\omega(p, m_N) + \omega(p', m_N) + \omega(q, M_\pi) - E - i\epsilon}$$

- **Milder UV behaviour than that of the non-relativistic OPEP**

$$V_{\text{OPE}}(p', k) \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} \text{Our } \frac{1}{k} \quad \text{vs.} \quad \text{Non-Rel. } \frac{1}{1}$$

UV Behavior of the long-range potential

- One-loop integral $V G V$:

$$I_{VGV} = \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} V_{\text{OPE}} G(E) V_{\text{OPE}}$$

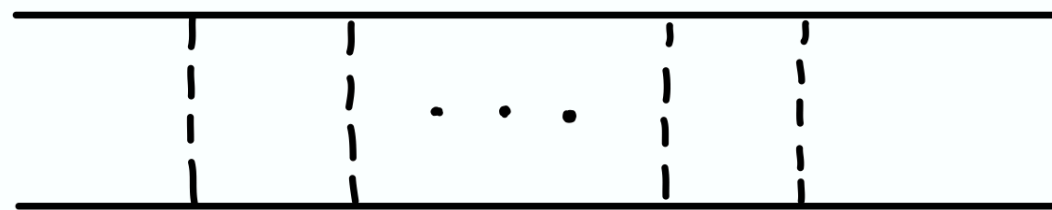
$\xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty}$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Our: } I_{VGV}^{\text{Our}} \rightarrow \int dk^3 \frac{1}{k} \frac{1}{k^3} \frac{1}{k} = \int dk^3 \frac{1}{k^5} \\ \text{NR: } I_{VGV}^{\text{NR}} \rightarrow \int dk^3 1 \frac{1}{k^2} 1 = \int dk^3 \frac{1}{k^2} \end{array} \right.$$

Ultraviolet convergent!

Ultraviolet divergent!

- Iteration of our OPEP



$\xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty}$

Finite diagram!

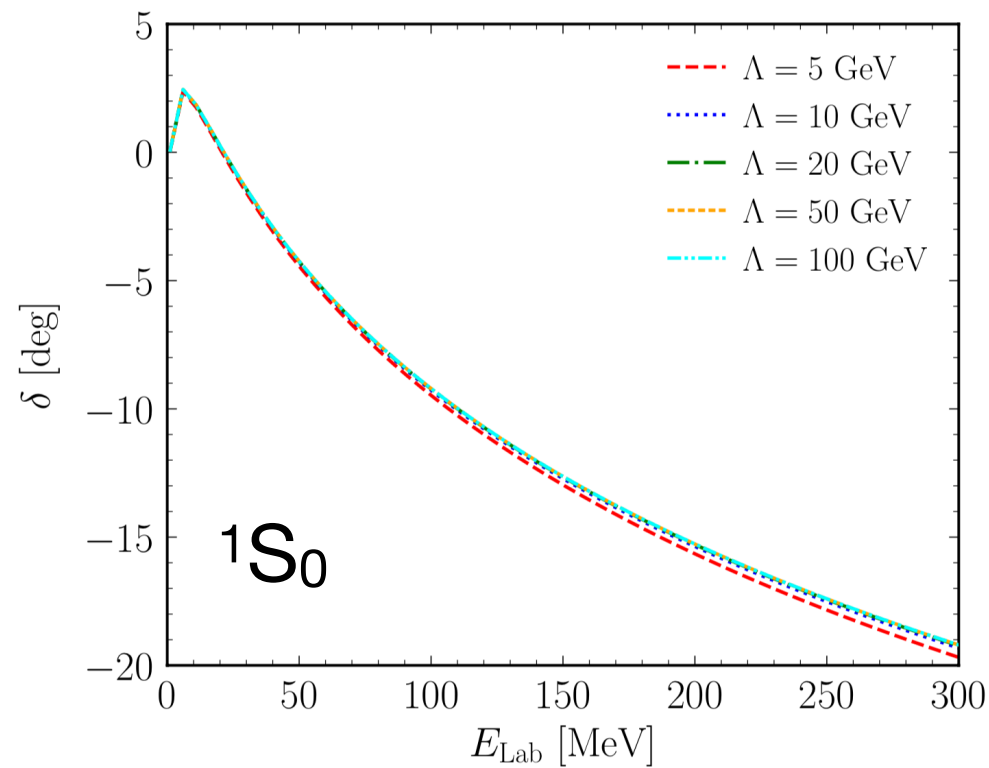
- Scattering amplitude from OPEP is cutoff independent

$$T_{\text{OPE}} = V_{\text{OPE}} + V_{\text{OPE}} G T_{\text{OPE}}$$

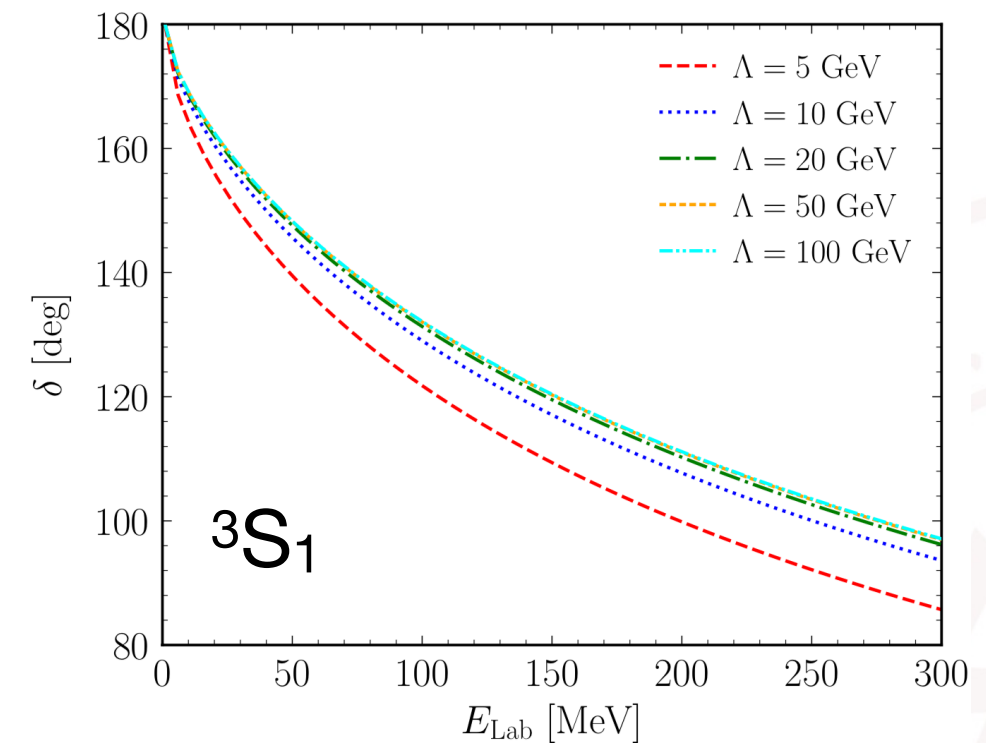
Renormalizable!

Phase shifts: cutoff-independent

- NN single channel: e.g. $1S_0$



- NN couple channels: e.g. $3S_1$

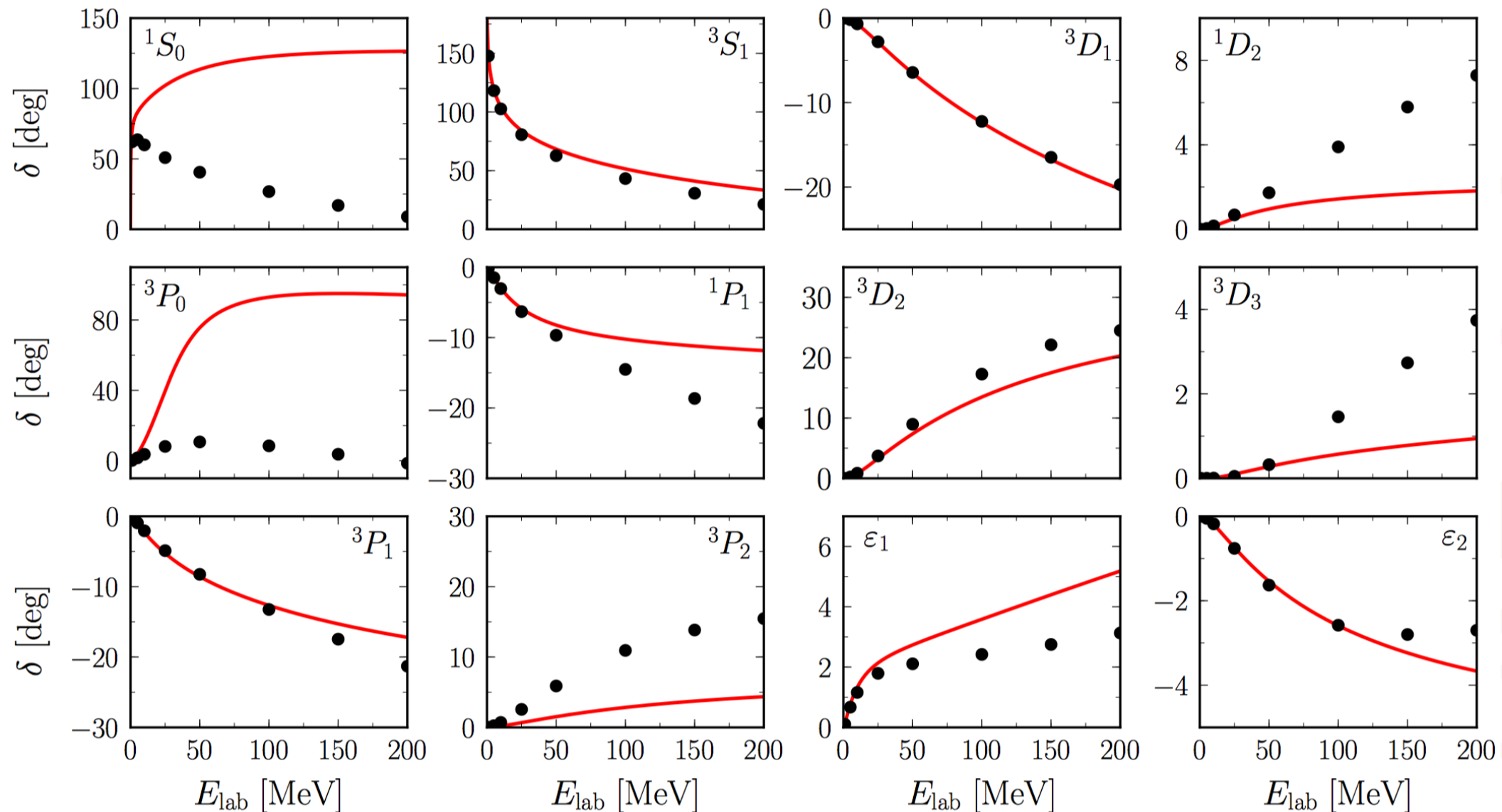


❖ Our LO potential is perturbatively renormalizable!

- All divergences appearing from its iterations can be absorbed in the coupling constant of the contact interaction
- Scattering equation has **unique solutions for all partial waves**
- **Avoid finite-cutoff artefacts** inherent to the conventional non-relativistic framework

Phase shifts at LO

- Two LECs: fixed by scattering lengths of 1S_0 and 3S_1 ($\Lambda = 20$ GeV)



- Provides a reasonable description of the empirical phase shifts
 - ✓ 1S_0 and 3P_0 : Large deviation
 - ✓ Part of the subleading corrections must be treated non-perturbatively

Beyond LO

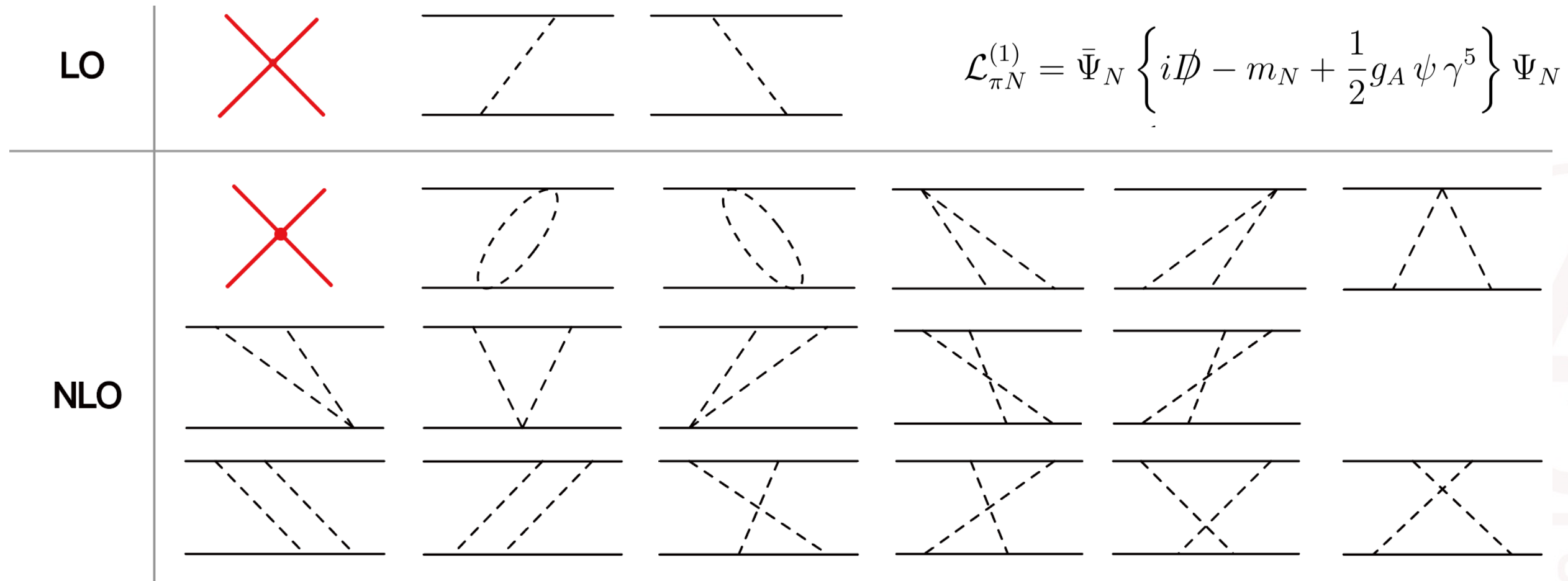
V. Baru, E. Epelbaum, J. Gegelia, XLR, Phys. Lett. B 798, 134987 (2019)

Beyond Leading order studies

- ▣ Two strategies to include higher orders
 - Restricting the non-perturbative treatment to **the (non-singular) LO potential** and higher-order interactions are treated perturbatively
 - ✓ **Systematically remove all divergences from the amplitude**
 - Full effective potential (LO + higher orders) are treated non-perturbatively
 - ✓ **Milder UV behavior offers a larger flexibility regarding admissible cutoff**
 - ✓ Direct input for few-/many-body problems
- ▣ Here, we focus on the second strategy (as a first step)
 - **Formulate the chiral nuclear potential up to **NLO** and **NNLO****
 - ✓ Higher order contributions is computationally more demanding
 - **Calculate the two-pion exchange contribution at one-loop level**
 - XLR, E. Epelbaum, J. Gegelia, Phys. Rev. C 106, 034001 (2022);
 - XLR, E. Epelbaum, J. Gegelia, [2510.22648](#) [nucl-th]
 - XLR, et al., in preparation

Study of NLO potential in TOPT

Time ordered diagrams up to NLO

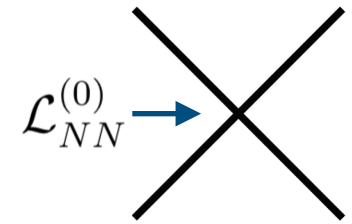


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Contact terms up to NLO

LO contact term (5 LECs)



$$V_{\text{LO}} = C_S(\bar{u}_3 u_1)(\bar{u}_4 u_2) + C_A(\bar{u}_3 \gamma_5 u_1)(\bar{u}_4 \gamma_5 u_2) + C_V(\bar{u}_3 \gamma_\mu u_1)(\bar{u}_4 \gamma^\mu u_2) \\ + C_{AV}(\bar{u}_3 \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 u_1)(\bar{u}_4 \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 u_2) + C_T(\bar{u}_3 \sigma_{\mu\nu} u_1)(\bar{u}_4 \sigma^{\mu\nu} u_2)$$

- Expand the nucleon energy up to $\mathcal{O}(p^2)$ / NLO

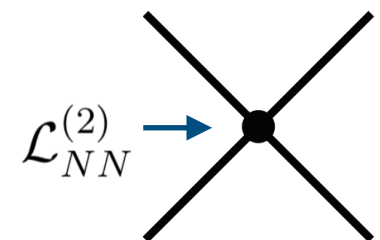
$$\sqrt{\omega(p, m_N) + m_N} = \sqrt{2m_N} + \frac{p^2}{4\sqrt{2} m_N^{3/2}} + \mathcal{O}(p^4)$$

✓ For simplicity, we include higher orders $\mathcal{O}(p^4)$ for LO contact terms

➡ Keep the full form of Dirac spinors

NLO contact term

- Expand the nucleon energy $\sqrt{\omega(p, m_N) + m_N} = \sqrt{2m_N} + \mathcal{O}(p^2)$
- Same form as the non-relativistic case with 7 LECs



$$V_{\text{NLO}} = C_1 \mathbf{q}^2 + C_2 \mathbf{P}^2 + (C_3 \mathbf{q}^2 + C_4 \mathbf{P}^2) (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) + \frac{i}{2} C_5 (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \mathbf{n} \\ + C_6 (\mathbf{q} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1) (\mathbf{q} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) + C_7 (\mathbf{P} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1) (\mathbf{P} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2)$$

Partial wave decomposition for contact terms

- J=0: 1S0 and 3P0 partial waves

$$V(^1S_0) = \xi_N \left[\tilde{C}_{1S_0} + \tilde{C}_{1S_0} R_p^2 R_{p'}^2 + C_{1S_0} (R_p^2 + R_{p'}^2) \right] \quad V(^3P_0) = C_{3P_0} p p'$$

- J=1: 3S1-3D1, 1P1, 3P1, partial waves

$$V(^3S_1) = \xi_N \left[\tilde{C}_{3S_1} + \frac{\tilde{C}_{3S_1}}{9} R_p^2 R_{p'}^2 + \frac{C_{3S_1}}{9} (R_p^2 + R_{p'}^2) \right] \quad V(^1P_1) = C_{1P_1} p p'$$

$$V(^3P_1) = C_{3P_1} p p'$$

$$V(^3D_1) = \frac{8\xi_N}{9} \tilde{C}_{3S_1} R_p^2 R_{p'}^2$$

$$V(^3S_1 - ^3D_1) = \xi_N \left[C_{\varepsilon_1} R_p^2 + \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{9} \tilde{C}_{3S_1} R_p^2 R_{p'}^2 \right]$$

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- J=2: 3P2 partial wave

$$V(^3P_2) = C_{3P_2} p p'$$

$$\xi_N = \frac{(\omega_p + m_N)(\omega_{p'} + m_N)}{4m_N^2}$$

$$R_p = \frac{p}{\omega_p + m_N}$$

$$R_{p'} = \frac{p'}{\omega_{p'} + m_N}$$

9 LECs to be fixed: $C_{1S_0}, C_{3S_1}, \tilde{C}_{1S_0}, C_{3P_0}, C_{1P_1}, C_{3P_1}, \tilde{C}_{3S_1}, C_{3D_1-3S_1}, C_{3P_2}$

Same number of contact terms as the non-relativistic NLO case

XLR, E. Epelbaum, J. Gegelia, [2510.22648 \[nucl-th\]](#)

In comparison with covariant power counting

□ Covariant power counting

- Keep the small component of Dirac spinor

$$u_i(\vec{p}, s) = \sqrt{\frac{E_N + M_N}{2M_N}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{p}}{\epsilon_p} \end{pmatrix} \chi_{s,i}$$

- Up to NLO with 17 LECs

TABLE II. LECs (in units of 10^4 GeV^{-2}) for the relativistic LO, NLO, and NNLO results shown in Fig. 2.

| | O_1 | O_2 | O_3 | O_4 | O_5 | O_6 | O_7 | O_8 | O_9 | O_{10} | O_{11} | O_{12} | O_{13} | O_{14} | O_{15} | O_{16} | O_{17} | D_1 | D_2 |
|------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-------|-------|
| LO | -1.32 | -0.21 | -0.93 | 0.31 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NLO | -2.62 | 9.45 | -5.42 | -6.05 | 30.09 | 9.02 | -9.19 | 8.74 | 4.74 | 7.02 | 3.52 | 11.42 | -6.03 | -20.55 | -4.99 | -12.80 | 6.30 | 0.42 | 0.28 |
| NNLO | -14.83 | -2.25 | -4.85 | 6.24 | -0.82 | 1.96 | -6.89 | 7.19 | 1.44 | 3.50 | -8.10 | -9.38 | -4.33 | -12.89 | -12.26 | -11.69 | 3.86 | -1.88 | -0.63 |

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One-Pion exchange potential up to NLO

□ OPE potential

$$V_{\text{OPE}} = -\frac{g_A^2}{4f_\pi^2} \boldsymbol{\tau}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_2 \frac{1}{\omega_q} \frac{(\bar{u}_3 \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 q_\mu u_1) (\bar{u}_4 \gamma^\nu \gamma_5 q_\nu u_2)}{\omega_p + \omega_{p'} + \omega_q - E - i\epsilon}$$

- Expand the nucleon energy expansion for OPEP at NLO

$$\sqrt{\omega(p, m_N) + m_N} = \sqrt{2m_N} + \frac{p^2}{4\sqrt{2} m_N^{3/2}} + \mathcal{O}(p^4)$$

✓ For simplicity, we include higher orders $\mathcal{O}(p^4)$ for OPE potential

➡ Keep the full form of Dirac spinors

- Eliminate the energy dependence of OPEP (avoid the pole contribution)

✓ Expand E at $\omega_p + \omega_{p'}$, then, we obtain contribution of OPEP at NLO

$$V_{\text{OPE}}^{\cancel{E}} = -\frac{g_A^2 \boldsymbol{\tau}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_2}{4f_\pi^2} \frac{1}{\omega_q^2} (\bar{u}_3 \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 q^\mu u_1) (\bar{u}_4 \gamma_\nu \gamma_5 q^\nu u_2) \longrightarrow \text{LO correction } V_{\text{OPE}, \cancel{E}}^{(0)}$$

$$\text{NLO correction } V_{2\pi, \cancel{E}}^{(2)} \left[+ \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{g_A^2 \boldsymbol{\tau}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_2}{4f_\pi^2} \right)^2 \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{m_N^2}{k^2 + m_N^2} \frac{\omega_{p'-k} + \omega_{p-k}}{\omega_{p'-k}^3 \omega_{p-k}^3} \right. \\ \left. \times [\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{p}' - \mathbf{k}) \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{p})] [\boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 \cdot (\mathbf{p}' - \mathbf{k}) \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 \cdot (\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{p})] \right].$$

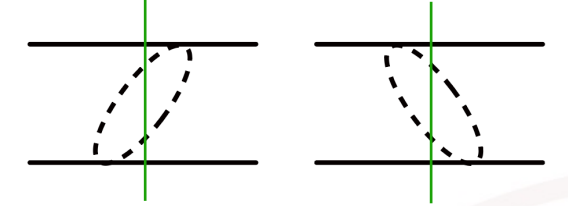
Two-pion exchange potential at NLO

Follow our TOPT rules:

Football diagram

$$V_F = \frac{1}{16f_\pi^4} \boldsymbol{\tau}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_2 \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{(\omega_k + \omega_{k+q})(\omega_p + \omega_{p'}) + 4\omega_k\omega_{k+q} - E(\omega_k + \omega_{k+q})}{2\omega_k\omega_{k+q}(\omega_k + \omega_{k+q} + \omega_p + \omega_{p'} - E)}.$$

Energy denominator of football diagram



Triangle diagrams

$$V_{T+\tilde{T}} = \frac{4m_N g_A^2 \boldsymbol{\tau}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_2}{128f_\pi^4} \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \left[(\mathbf{k}^2 + (\mathbf{p}' - \mathbf{p}) \cdot \mathbf{k}) + \frac{i}{2} (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \mathbf{n} (a + b) \right] \frac{1}{\omega_k \omega_{k+q} \omega_{p-k}} \\ \times \left[(\omega_{k+q} - \omega_k) \left(\frac{1}{\omega_k \omega_{k+q}} + \frac{1}{\omega_{k+q} \omega_{p-k}} - \frac{1}{\omega_k \omega_{p-k}} - \frac{1}{\omega_k \omega_{k+q}} \right) + (\omega_k + \omega_{k+q}) \left(\frac{1}{\omega_k \omega_{p-k}} + \frac{1}{\omega_{k+q} \omega_{p-k}} \right) \right]$$

Energy denominator

Planar and crossed box diagrams

$$V_B = \frac{m_N^2 g_A^4 (3 - 2 \boldsymbol{\tau}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_2)}{64f_\pi^4} \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \left[X_1 + X_2 \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 + X_3 \frac{i (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \mathbf{n}}{2} + X_4 (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \cdot \mathbf{n}) (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 \cdot \mathbf{n}) + X_5 (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q}) (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q}) \right]$$

$$\times \frac{1}{\omega_k \omega_{k+q} \omega_{p-k}^2} \left(\frac{1}{\omega_k \omega_{k+q}} + \frac{1}{\omega_{k+q} \omega_{p-k}} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{k} = a \mathbf{p} + b \mathbf{p}' + c (\mathbf{p}' \times \mathbf{p})$$

$$X_1 = [\mathbf{k}^2 + \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{k}]^2, \quad X_2 = -c^2 \mathbf{q}^2 [\mathbf{P}^2 \mathbf{q}^2 - (\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{P})^2], \quad X_3 = -2(a+b) (\mathbf{k}^2 + (\mathbf{p}' - \mathbf{p}) \cdot \mathbf{k}), \\ X_4 = -(a+b)^2 + c^2 \mathbf{q}^2, \quad X_5 = c^2 [\mathbf{P}^2 \mathbf{q}^2 - (\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{P})^2]$$

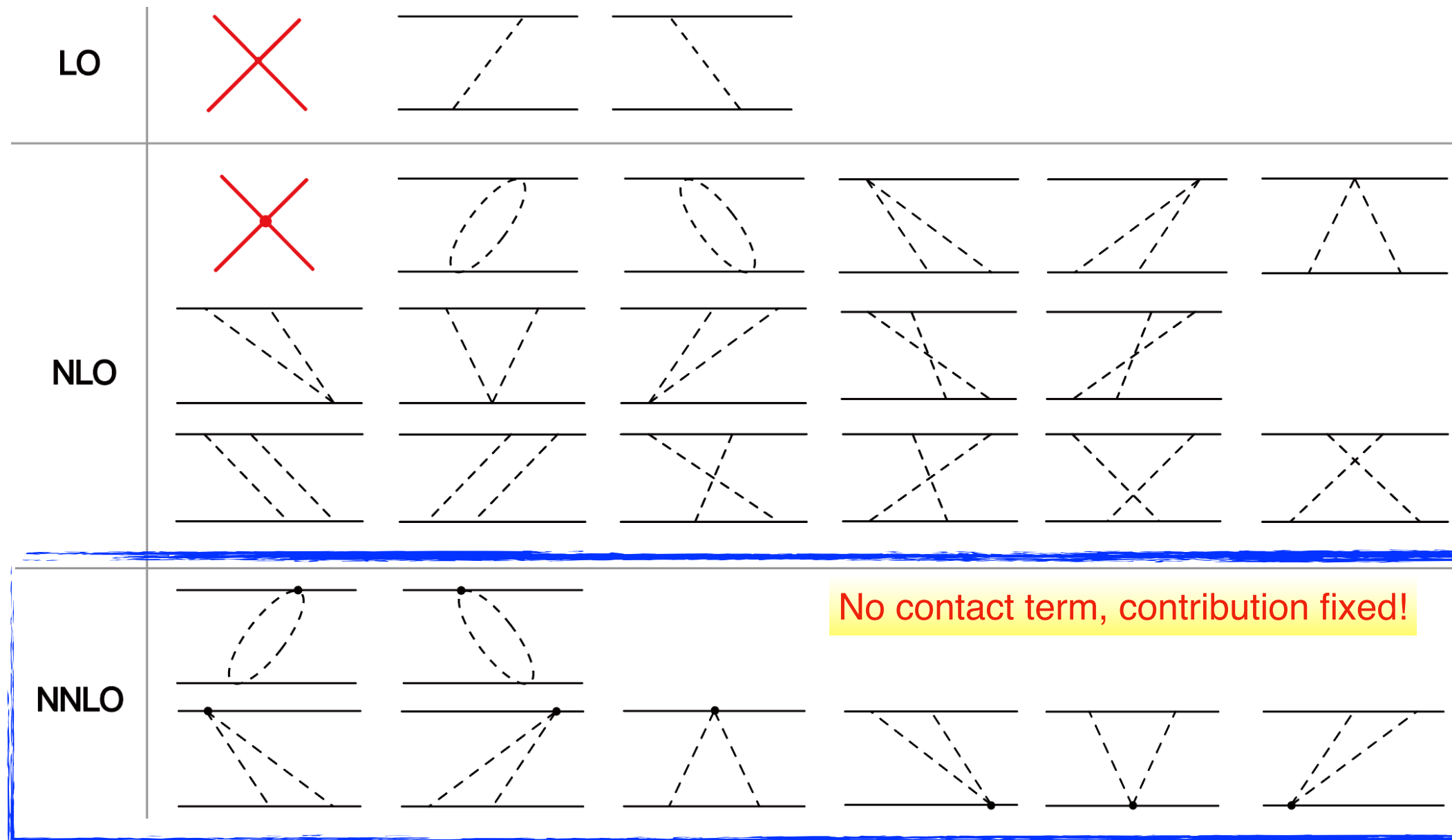
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UV Divergent terms and power counting breaking terms are removed by using **the subtractive renormalization**

Study of NNLO potential in TOPT

Time ordered diagrams up to NNLO



$$\mathcal{L}_{\pi N}^{(1)} = \bar{\Psi}_N \left\{ i\not{D} - m_N + \frac{1}{2} g_A \psi \gamma^5 \right\} \Psi_N$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\pi N}^{(2)} = \bar{\Psi}_N \left\{ c_1 \langle \chi + \rangle - \frac{c_2}{4m_N^2} \langle u^\mu u^\nu \rangle (D_\mu D_\nu + \text{h.c.}) + \frac{c_3}{2} \langle u^\mu u_\mu \rangle - \frac{c_4}{4} \gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu [u_\mu, u_\nu] \right\} \Psi_N$$

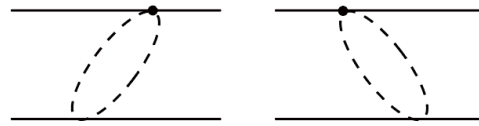
$$c_1 = -0.74, c_2 = 1.81, c_3 = -3.61, c_4 = 2.17 \text{ GeV}^{-1}$$

D. Siemens, et al., PLB770 (2017) 27-34

Two-pion exchange potential at NNLO

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No contribution!

- Triangle diagrams

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 & \times \left\{ \left[4c_1 M_\pi^2 - \frac{c_2}{m_N^2} \left(\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{k} \mathbf{p} \cdot (\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q}) + \mathbf{p}' \cdot \mathbf{k} \mathbf{p}' \cdot (\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q}) \right) + 2c_3 \mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q}) \right] \right. \\
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 & + \left[\frac{c_2}{m_N^2} \omega_k \omega_{k+q} (\omega_p + \omega_{p'}) + 2c_3 \omega_k \omega_{k+q} \right] \\
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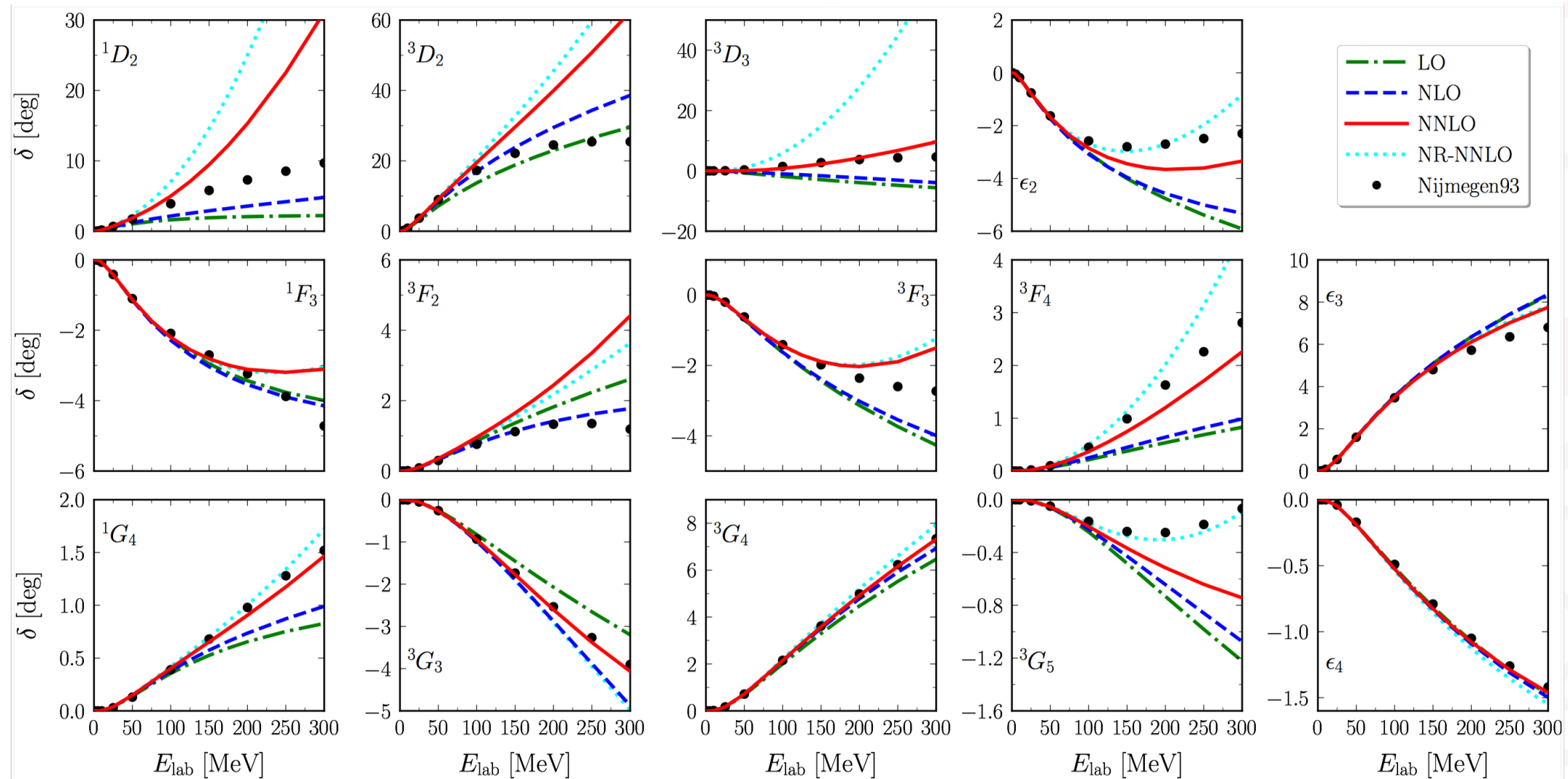
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Pion-exchange contribution

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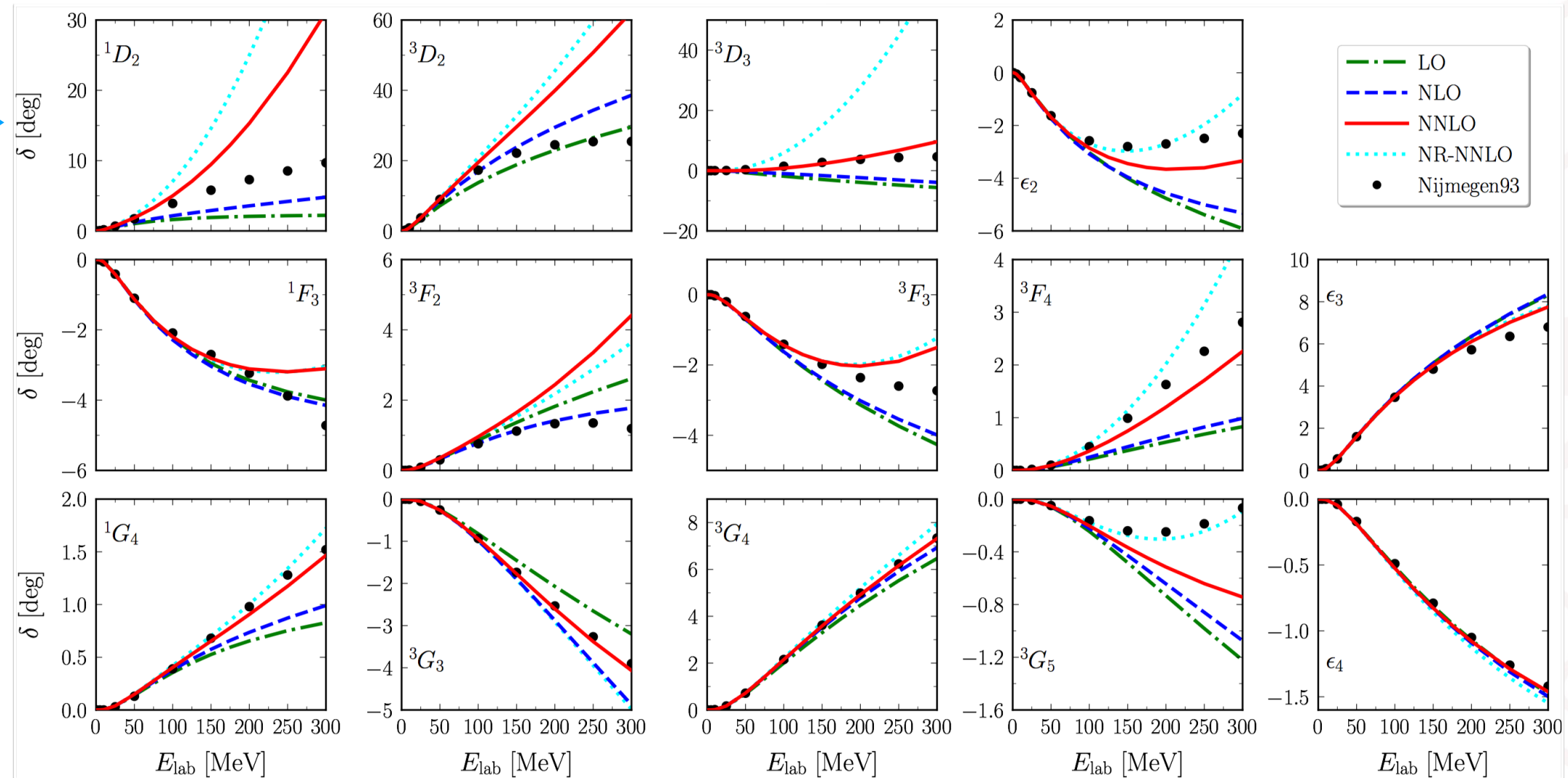
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NNLO: contact + pion exchanges

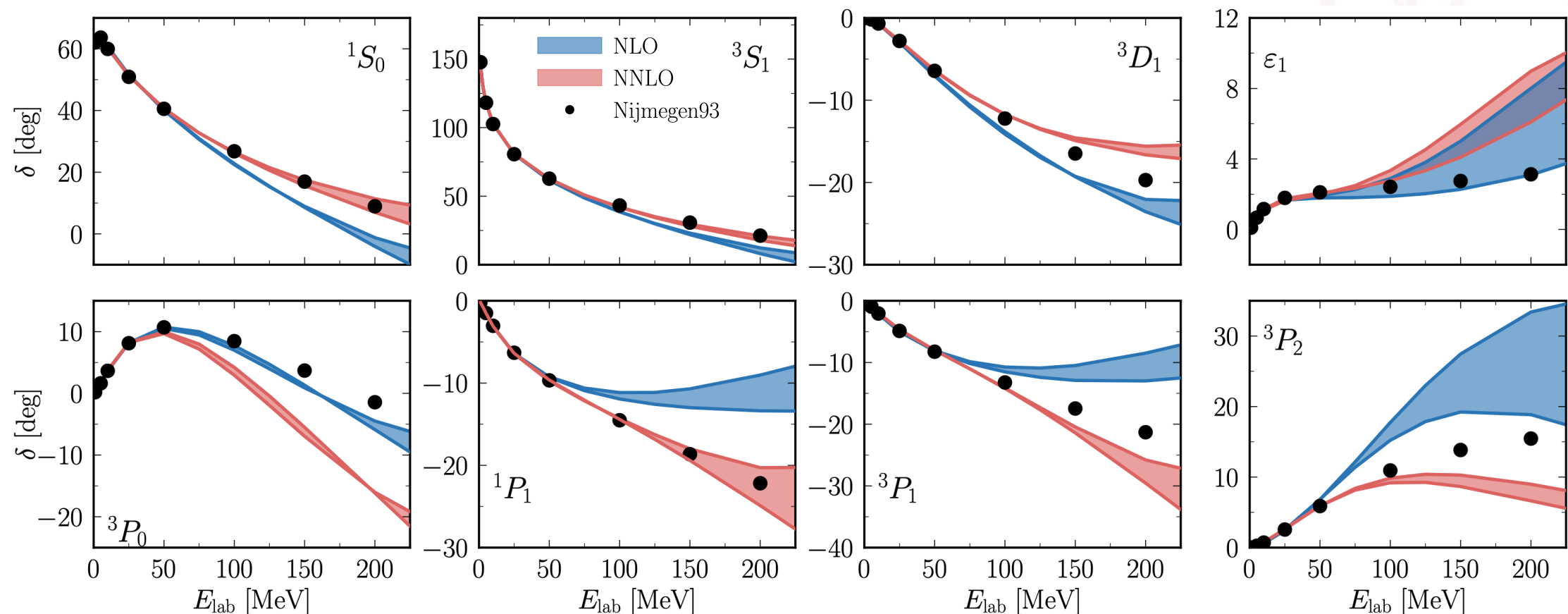
Partial wave T-matrix

- V_{NNLO} **non-perturbatively** iterated in the Kadyshevsky equation

$$T_{ll'}^{sj}(p', p) = V_{ll'}^{sj}(p', p) + \sum_{l''} \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} V_{ll''}^{sj}(p', k) \frac{m_N^2}{2(k^2 + m_N^2)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{p^2 + m_N^2} - \sqrt{k^2 + m_N^2} + i\epsilon} T_{l''l'}^{sj}(k, p)$$

- Pion-loop potential: cutoff regularization with $k_{\text{max.}} = 500$ MeV
- Exponential regulator: $F(p) = \exp(-p^{2n}/\Lambda^{2n})$, with $n = 2$, $\Lambda = 400 \sim 550$ MeV

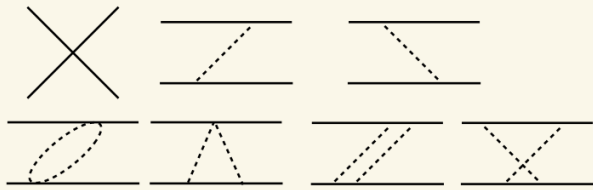
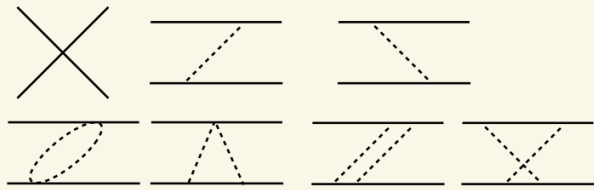
Phase shifts: Fit NPWA ($E_{\text{lab}} \leq 100$ MeV)



Deuteron binding energy NLO -2.16 MeV; NNLO -2.18 GeV; no deeply bound states

Summary

▣ Proposed a systematic framework to formulate chiral forces

| Time-ordered perturbation theory | Non-relativistic (Heavy-baryon) | Manifestly Lorentz invariant |
|---|--|---|
| Chiral Lagrangians | $N^\dagger [i(v \cdot D) + g_A(S \cdot u)] N$ $-\frac{1}{2}C_S(N^\dagger N)(N^\dagger N) - \frac{1}{2}C_T(N^\dagger \vec{\sigma} N)(N^\dagger \vec{\sigma} N) + \dots$ | $\bar{\Psi}_N \left\{ i\gamma_\mu D^\mu - m_N + \frac{1}{2}g_A \gamma_5 \right\} \Psi_N$ $+ \frac{1}{2} \left[C_S(\bar{\Psi}_N \Psi_N)(\bar{\Psi}_N \Psi_N) + C_A(\bar{\Psi}_N \gamma_5 \Psi_N)(\bar{\Psi}_N \gamma_5 \Psi_N) \right.$ $+ C_V(\bar{\Psi}_N \gamma_\mu \Psi_N)(\bar{\Psi}_N \gamma^\mu \Psi_N) + C_{AV}(\bar{\Psi}_N \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \Psi_N)(\bar{\Psi}_N \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \Psi_N)$ $\left. + C_T(\bar{\Psi}_N \sigma_{\mu\nu} \Psi_N)(\bar{\Psi}_N \sigma^{\mu\nu} \Psi_N) \right] + \dots$ |
| Potential TOPT diagrams |  |  |
| Scattering equations ($T = V + VGT$) | Lippmann-Schwinger eq. | Kadyshevsky eq. |
| Power counting | Weinberg p.c. | Weinberg p.c. |

- **Uniquely determined** the scattering equation
 - ✓ Chiral potential and scattering equation are obtained within the same framework
- Obtained **non-singular LO potential**
 - ✓ Avoid finite-cutoff artefacts and take cutoff $\Lambda \rightarrow \infty$
- Formulated the chiral potential up to **NNLO**
 - ✓ Calculated the two-pion-exchange potential at one-loop level
 - ✓ Achieved a rather reasonable description of NN phase shifts

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