

Ab initio electroweak reactions with nuclei

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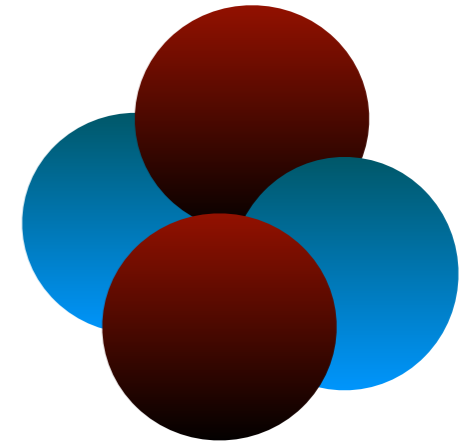
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Ab initio nuclear theory

- Start from neutrons and protons as building blocks (centre of mass coordinates, spins, isospins)
- Solve the non-relativistic quantum mechanical problem of A -interacting nucleons



$$H|\psi_i\rangle = E_i|\psi_i\rangle$$

$$H = T + V_{NN}(\Lambda) + V_{3N}(\Lambda) + \dots$$

using phenomenological potentials or interactions from chiral effective field theory (χ EFT)

- Find numerical solutions with no approximations or controllable approximations

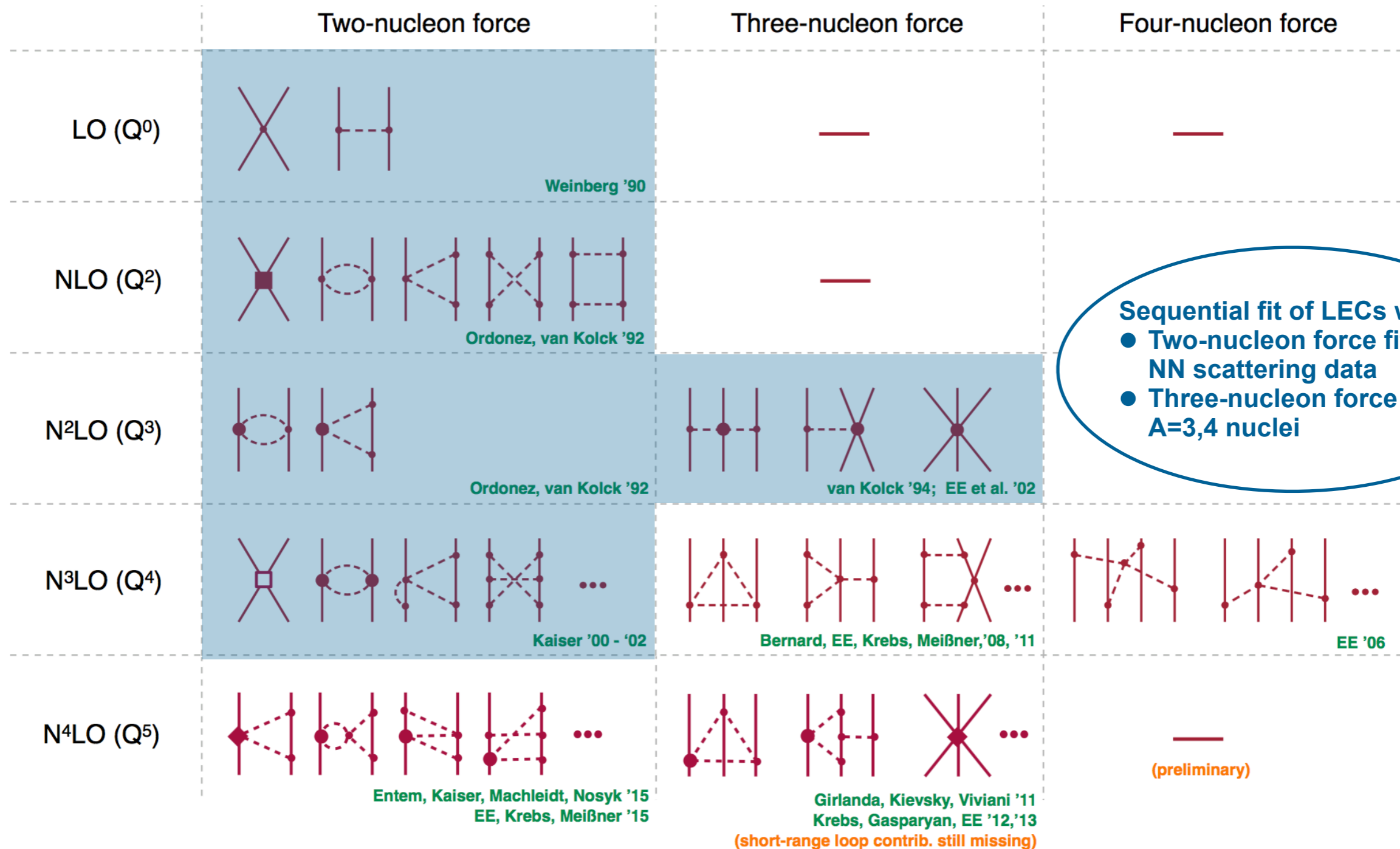
Hierarchical Structure of χ EFT

from E. Epelbaum (2018), see yesterday's talk

	Two-nucleon force	Three-nucleon force	Four-nucleon force
LO (Q^0)			
	Weinberg '90		
NLO (Q^2)			
	Ordonez, van Kolck '92		
N ² LO (Q^3)			
	Ordonez, van Kolck '92	van Kolck '94; EE et al. '02	
N ³ LO (Q^4)			
	Kaiser '00 - '02	Bernard, EE, Krebs, Meißner, '08, '11	EE '06
N ⁴ LO (Q^5)			
	Entem, Kaiser, Machleidt, Nosyk '15 EE, Krebs, Meißner '15	Girlanda, Kievsky, Viviani '11 Krebs, Gasparyan, EE '12, '13 (short-range loop contrib. still missing)	(preliminary)

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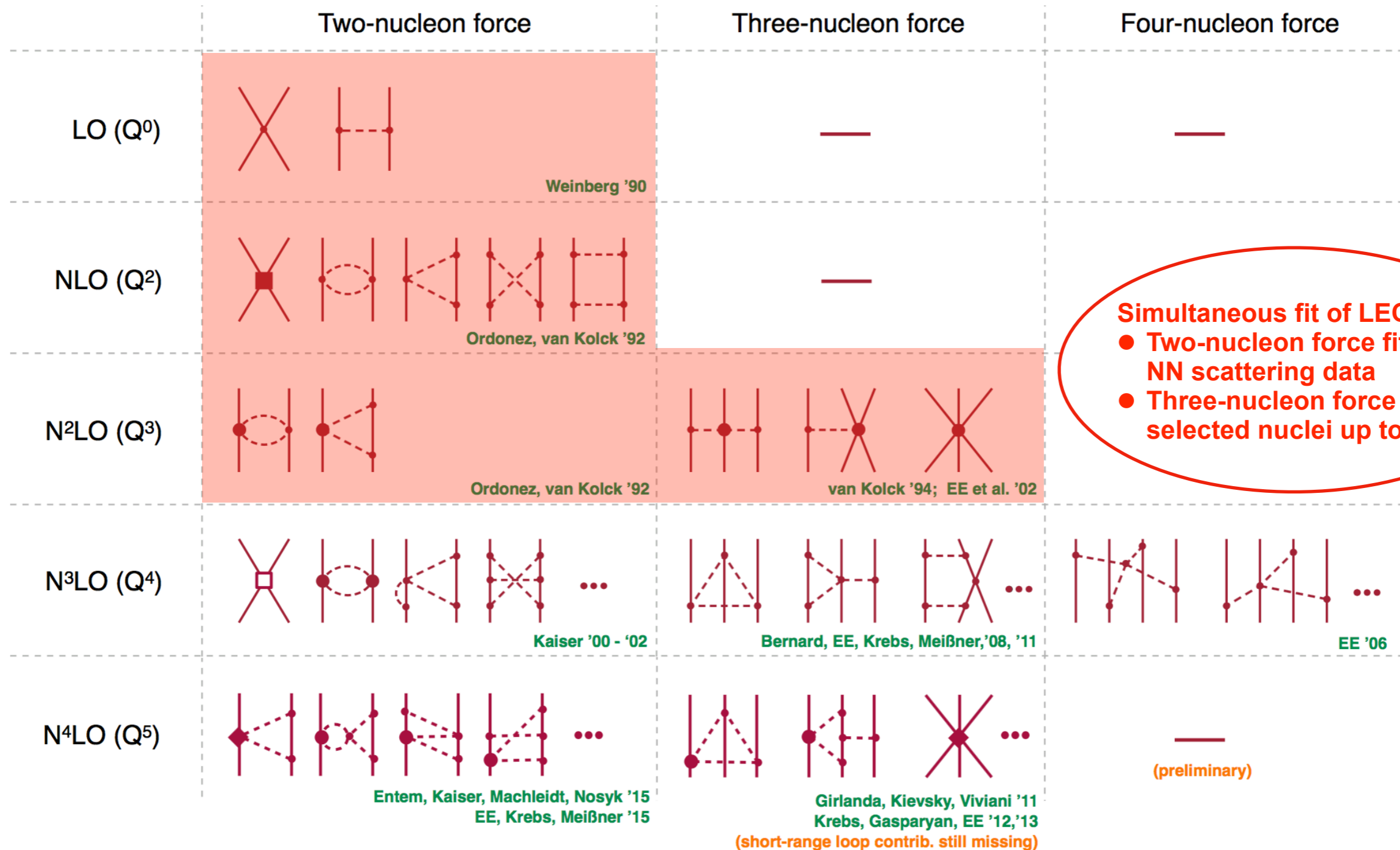


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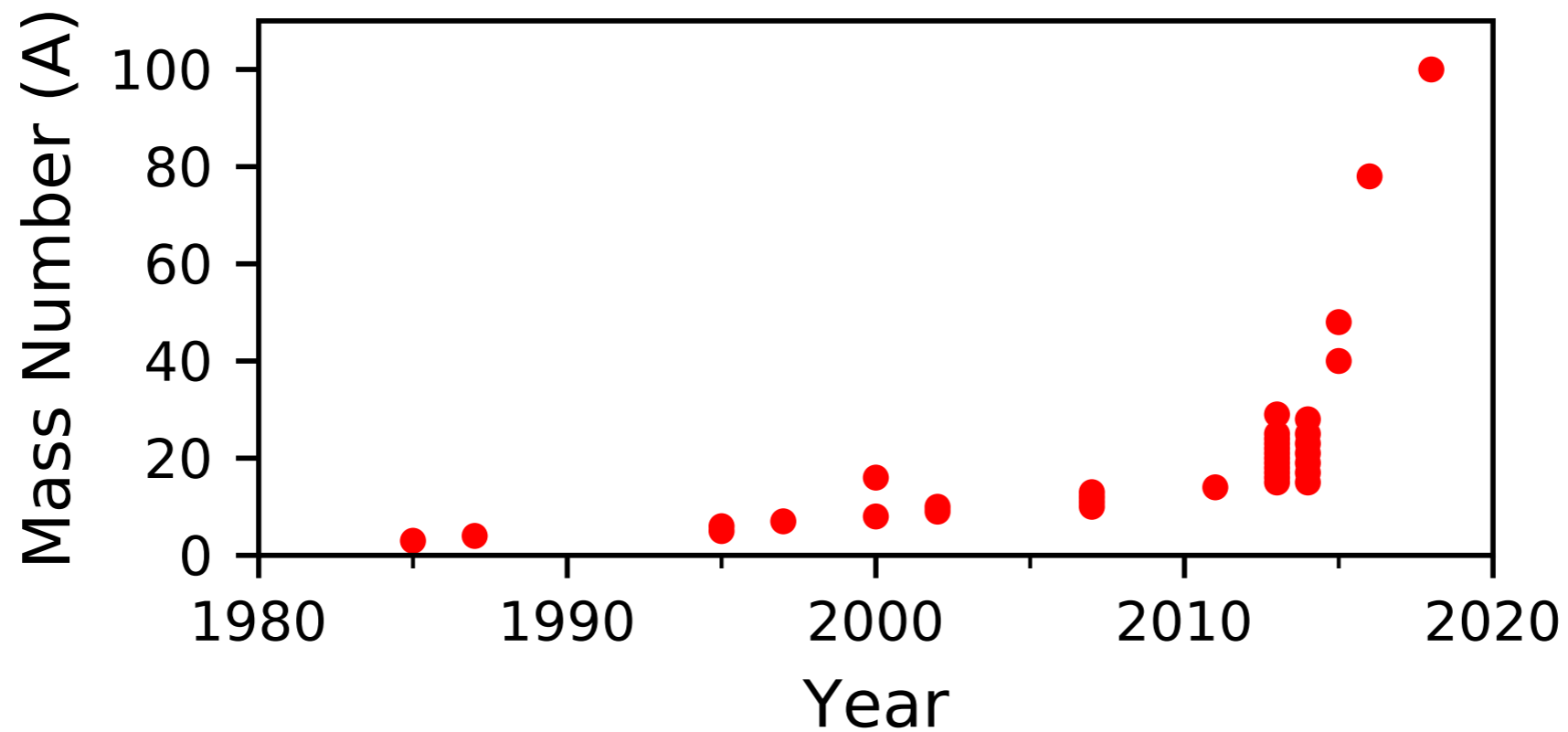


Simultaneous fit of LECs with:

- Two-nucleon force fit on NN scattering data
- Three-nucleon force fit on selected nuclei up to $A=25$

Progress of ab initio theory

Ab initio calculations starting from
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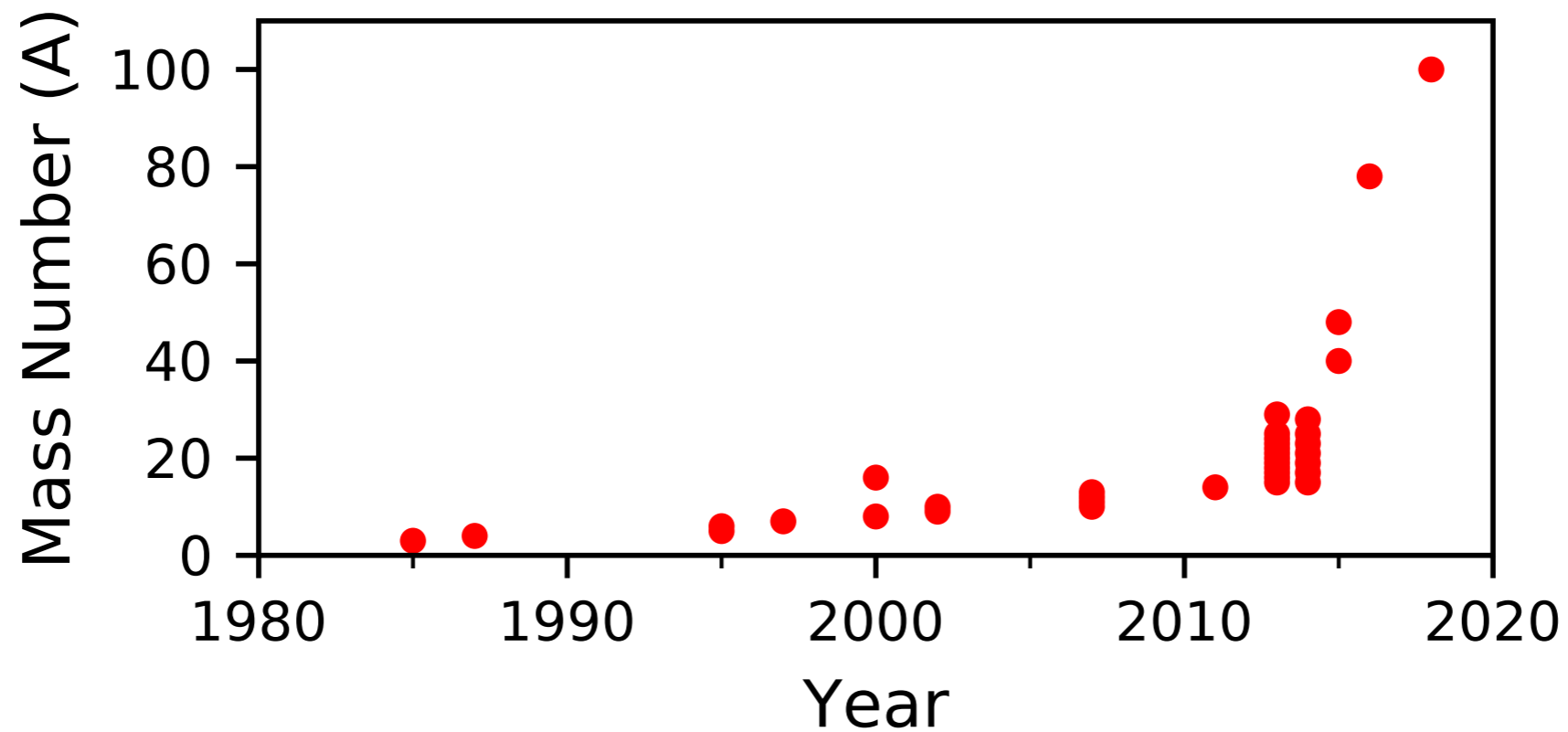
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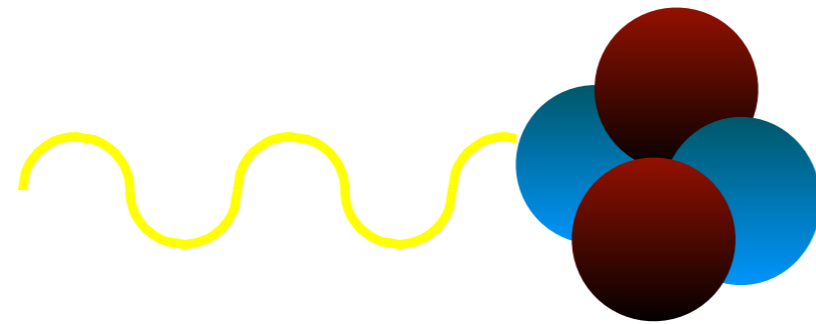
^{208}Pb

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Electroweak reactions



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Section

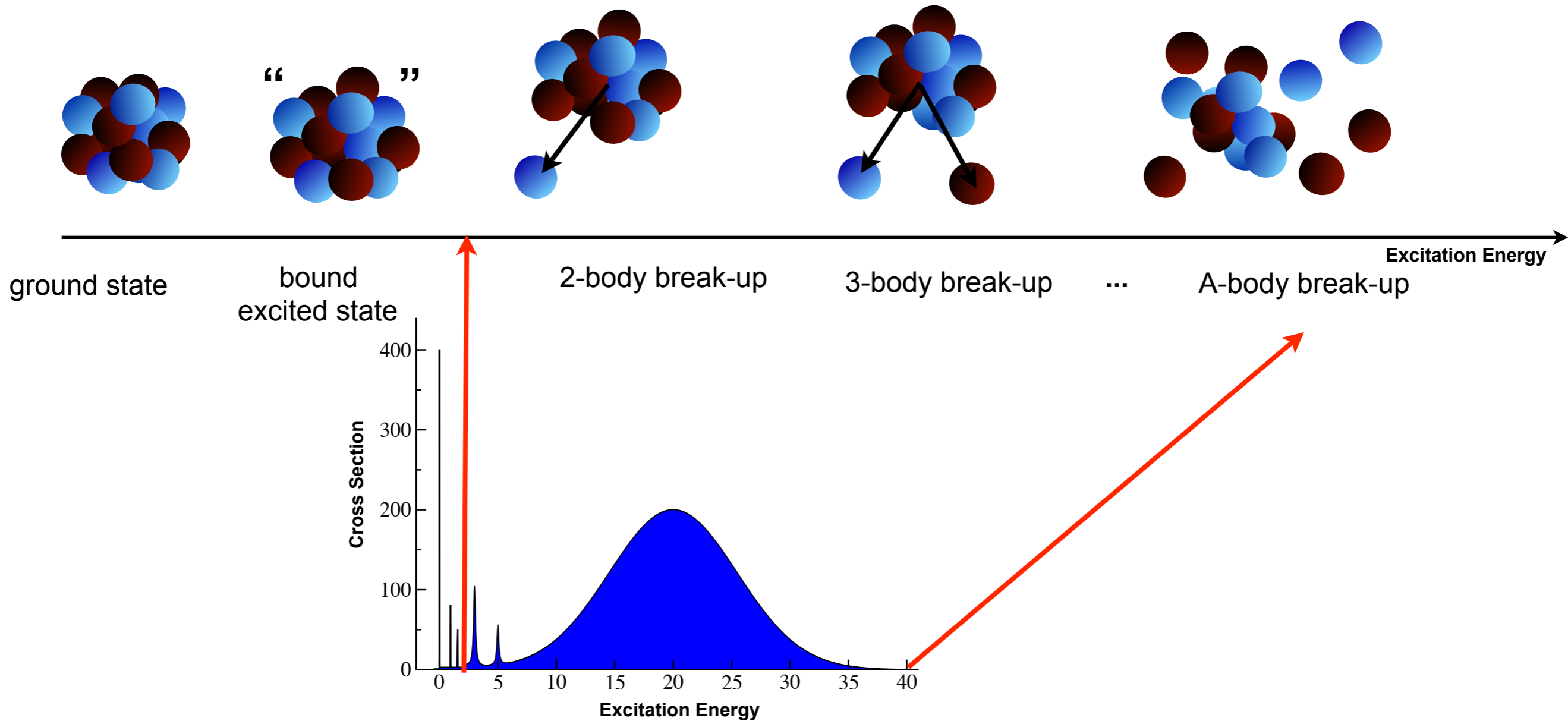
$$\sigma_{ew} \sim R(\omega) = \sum_f \left| \langle \psi_f | \Theta | \psi_0 \rangle \right|^2 \delta(E_f - E_0 - \omega)$$

Electroweak operator

The continuum problem

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

Depending on E_f , many channels may be involved



Lorentz Integral Transform

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Exact knowledge limited in
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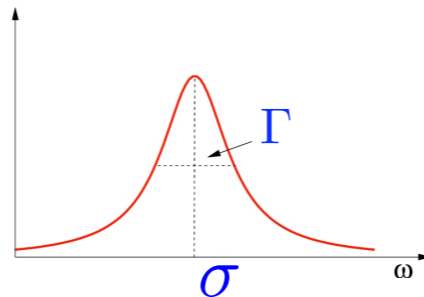
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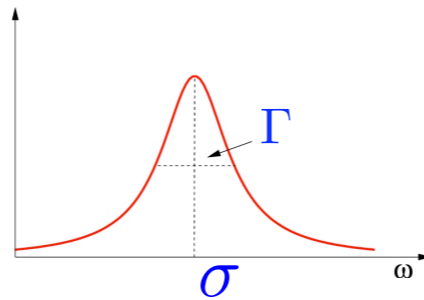
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➔ $(H - E_0 - \sigma + i\Gamma) | \tilde{\psi} \rangle = \Theta | \psi_0 \rangle$ Bound-state-like equation

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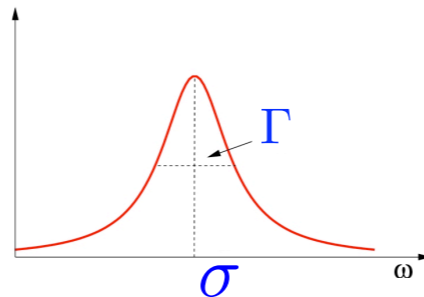
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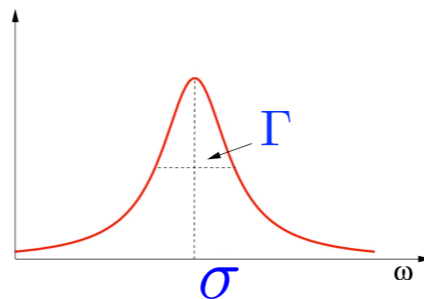
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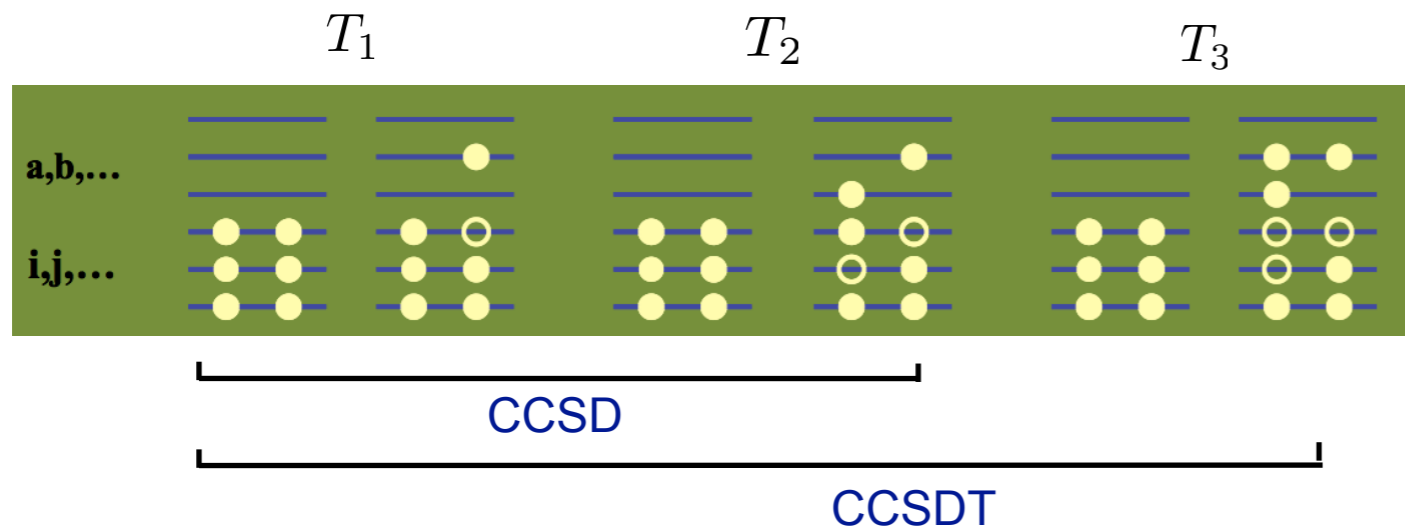
- Hyper-spherical Harmonics
- No core shell model
- Coupled Cluster theory

Coupled-cluster theory

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

cluster expansion

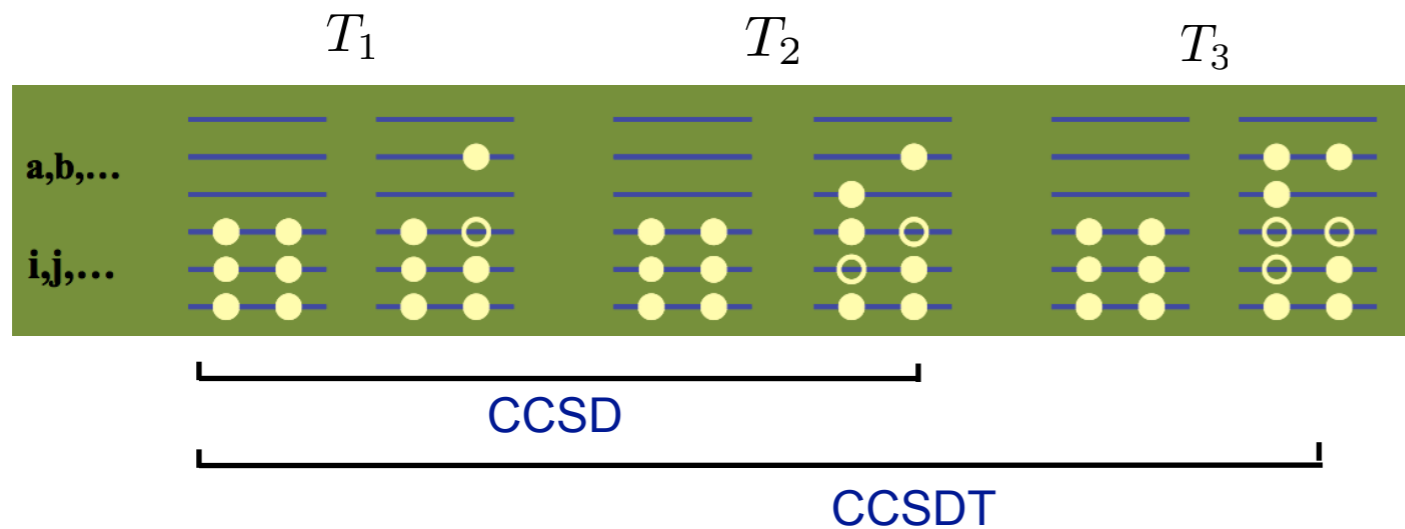


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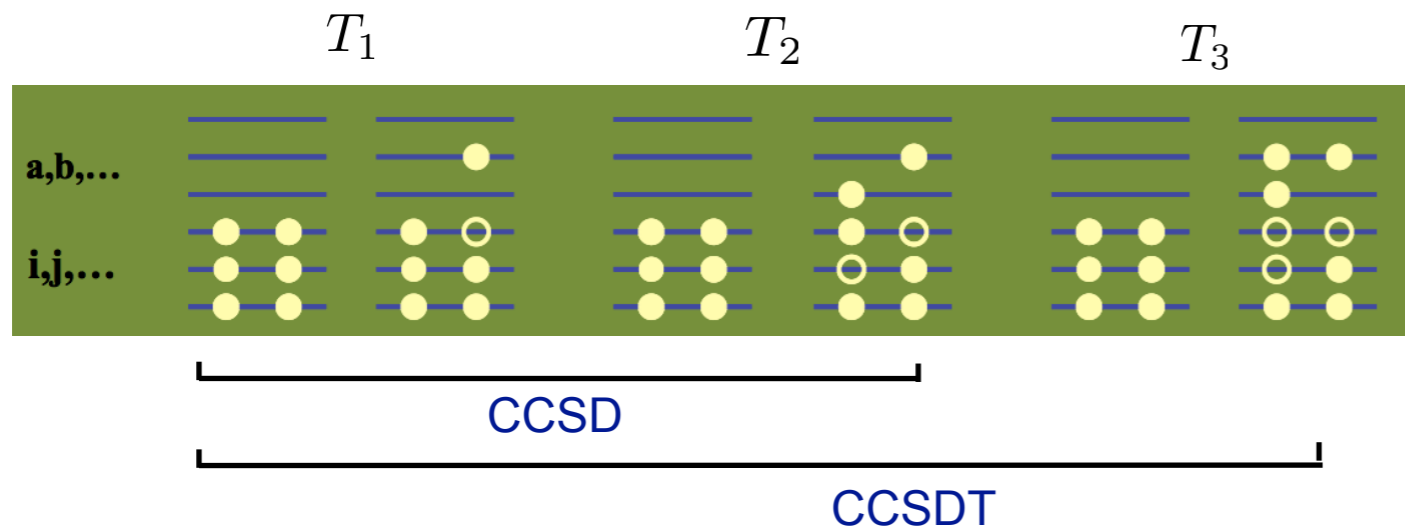
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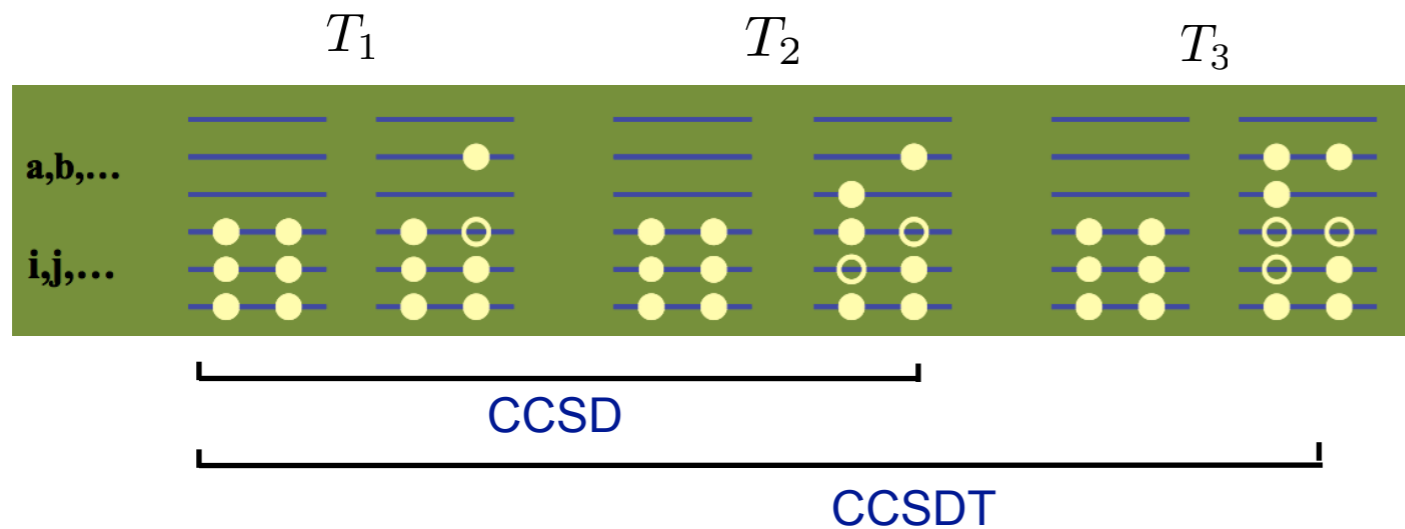
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$$\mathcal{R}(z) = r_0(z) + \sum_{ai} r_i^a(z) a_a^\dagger a_i + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{abij} r_{ij}^{ab}(z) a_a^\dagger a_b^\dagger a_j a_i + \dots$$

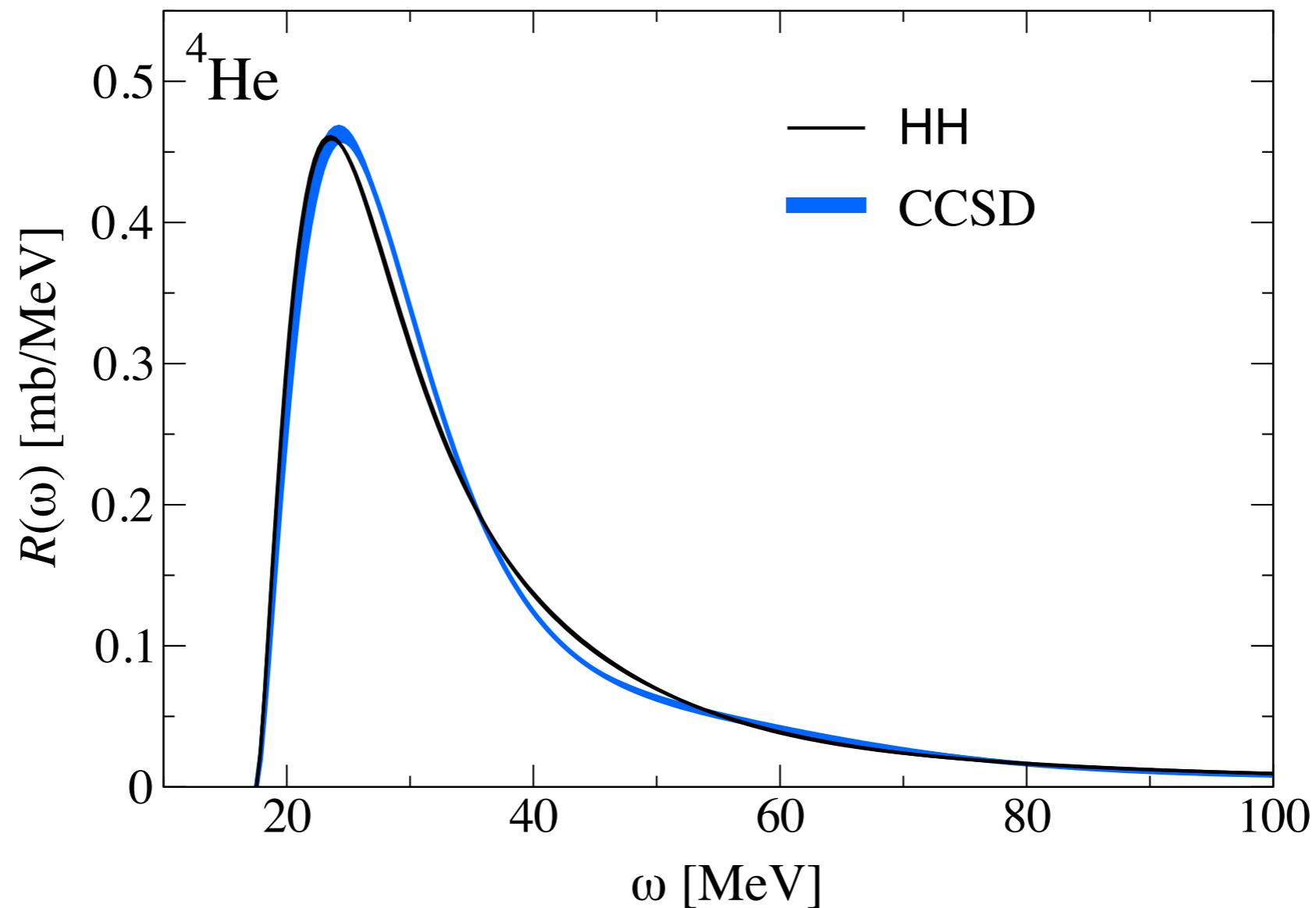
Results with implementation at CCSD level + some study of triples contributions

Validation in ^4He

Dipole response function

Comparison of CCSD with exact hyperspherical harmonics with NN forces at N³LO

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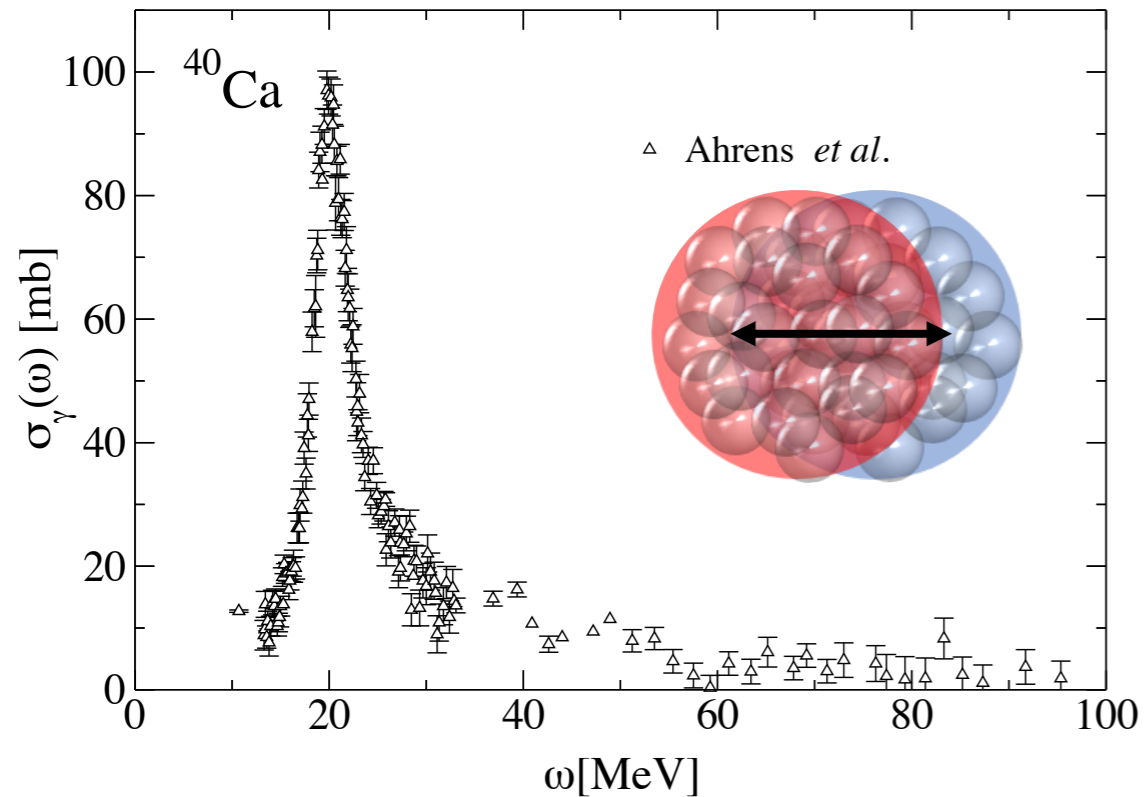


Emergence of structures in nuclei

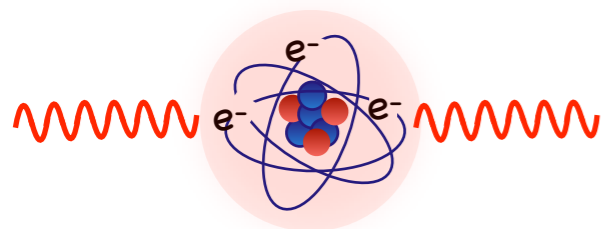
Stable Nuclei

We have data on ~180 stable nuclei

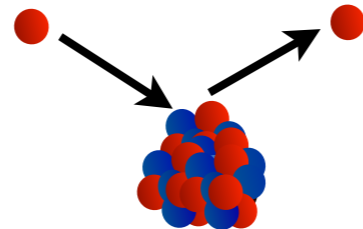
Giant dipole resonances



From photoabsorption experiments



(p,p') experiments

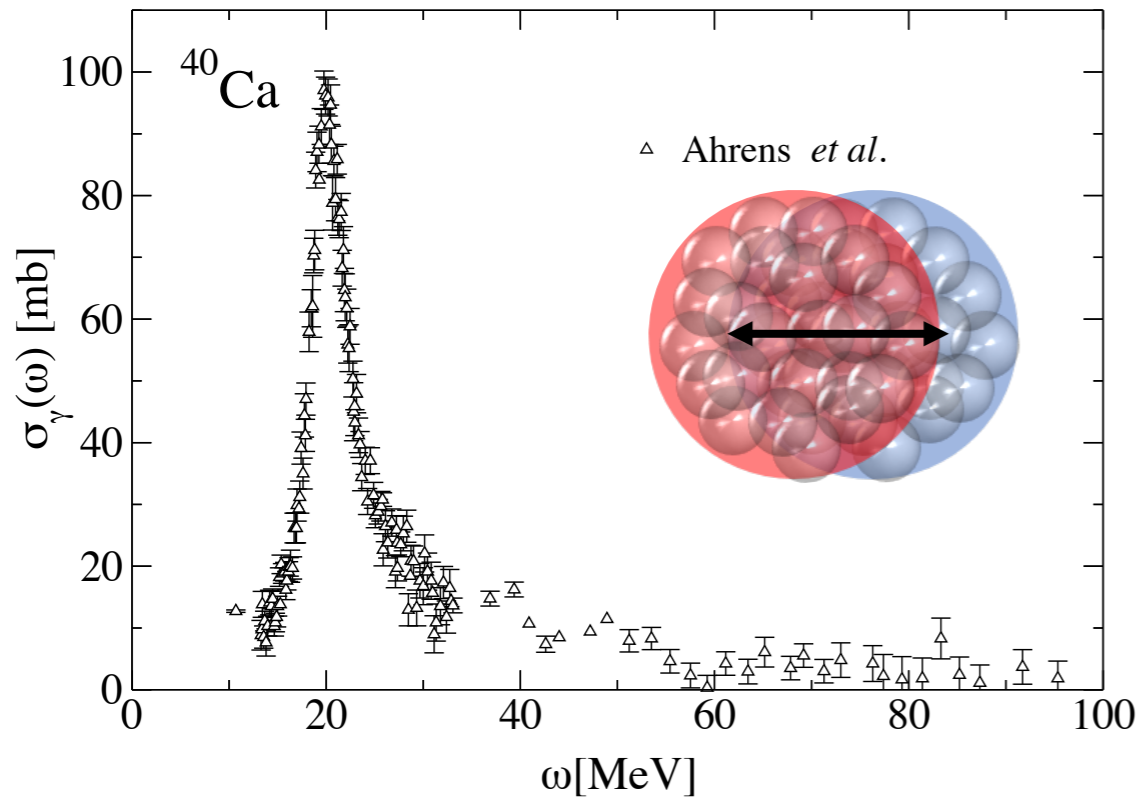


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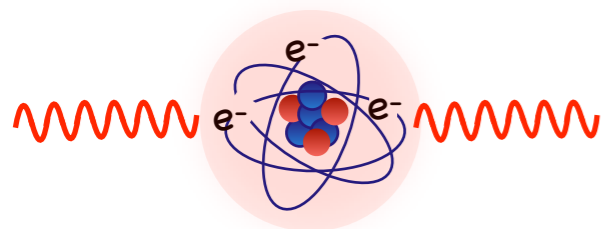
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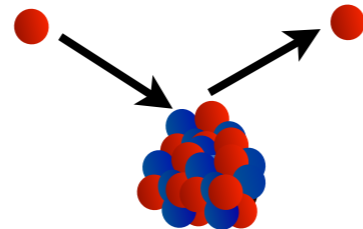
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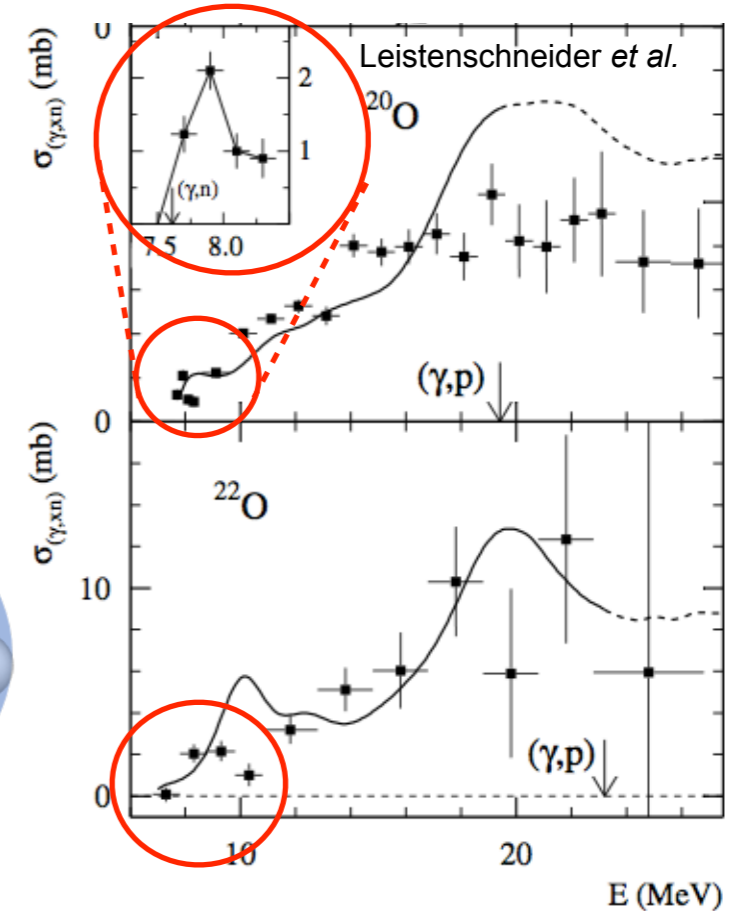


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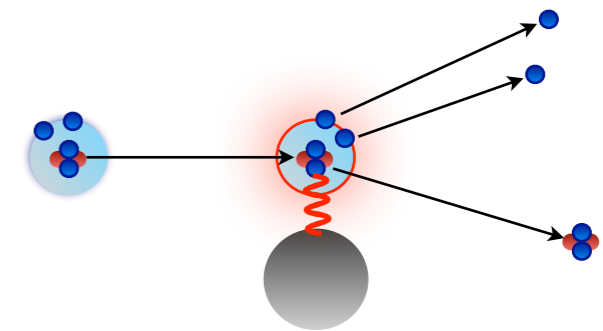


Unstable Nuclei

Fewer data, pigmy dipole resonances



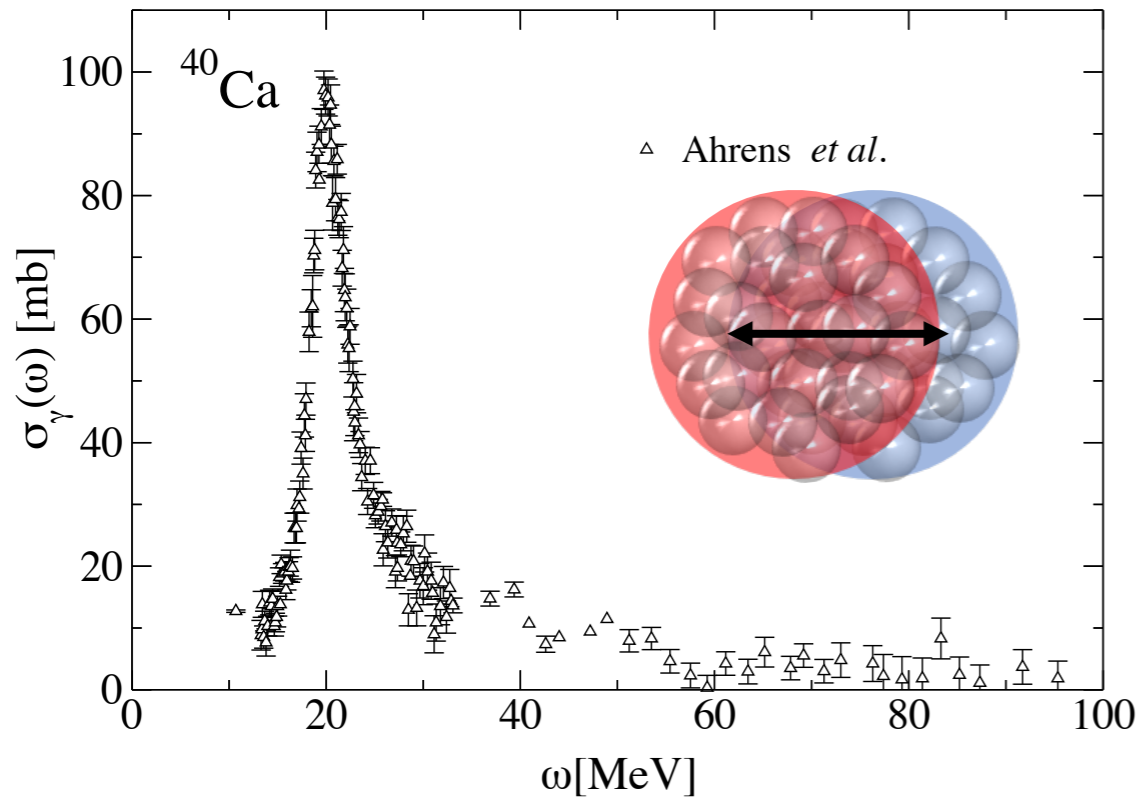
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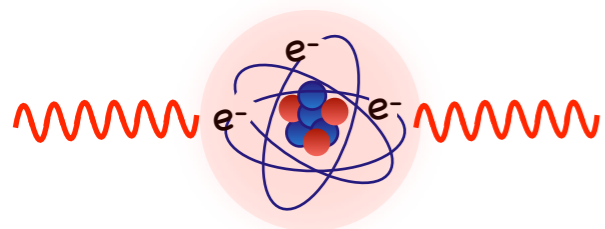
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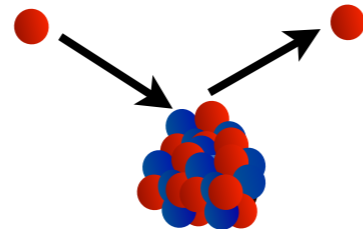
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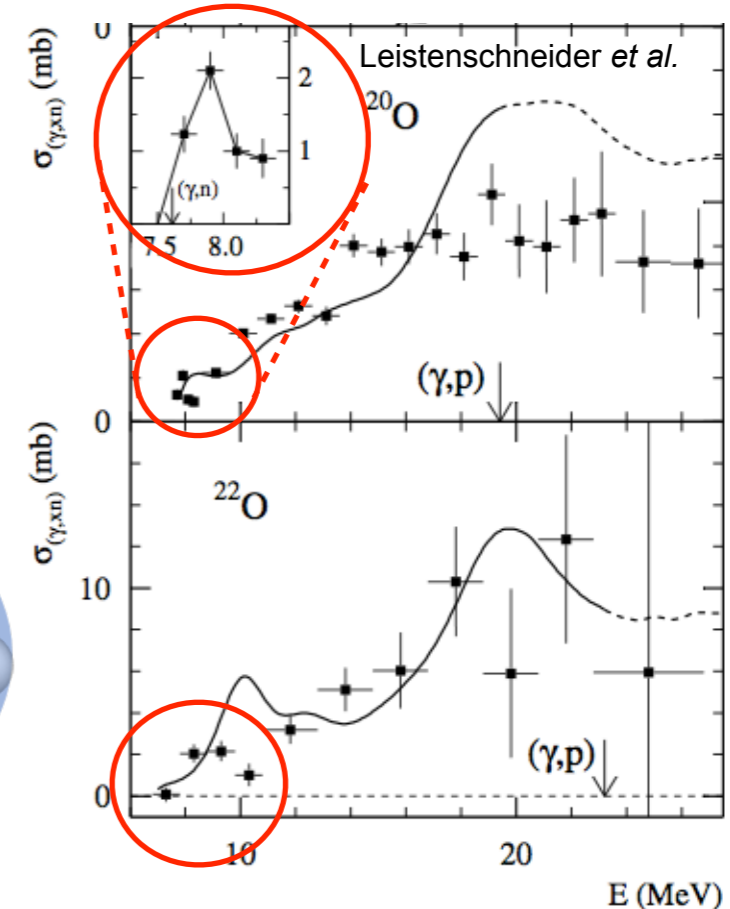


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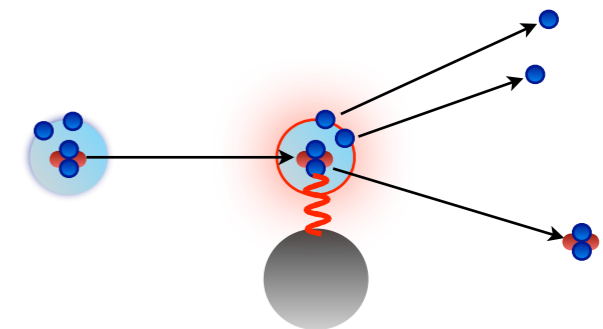


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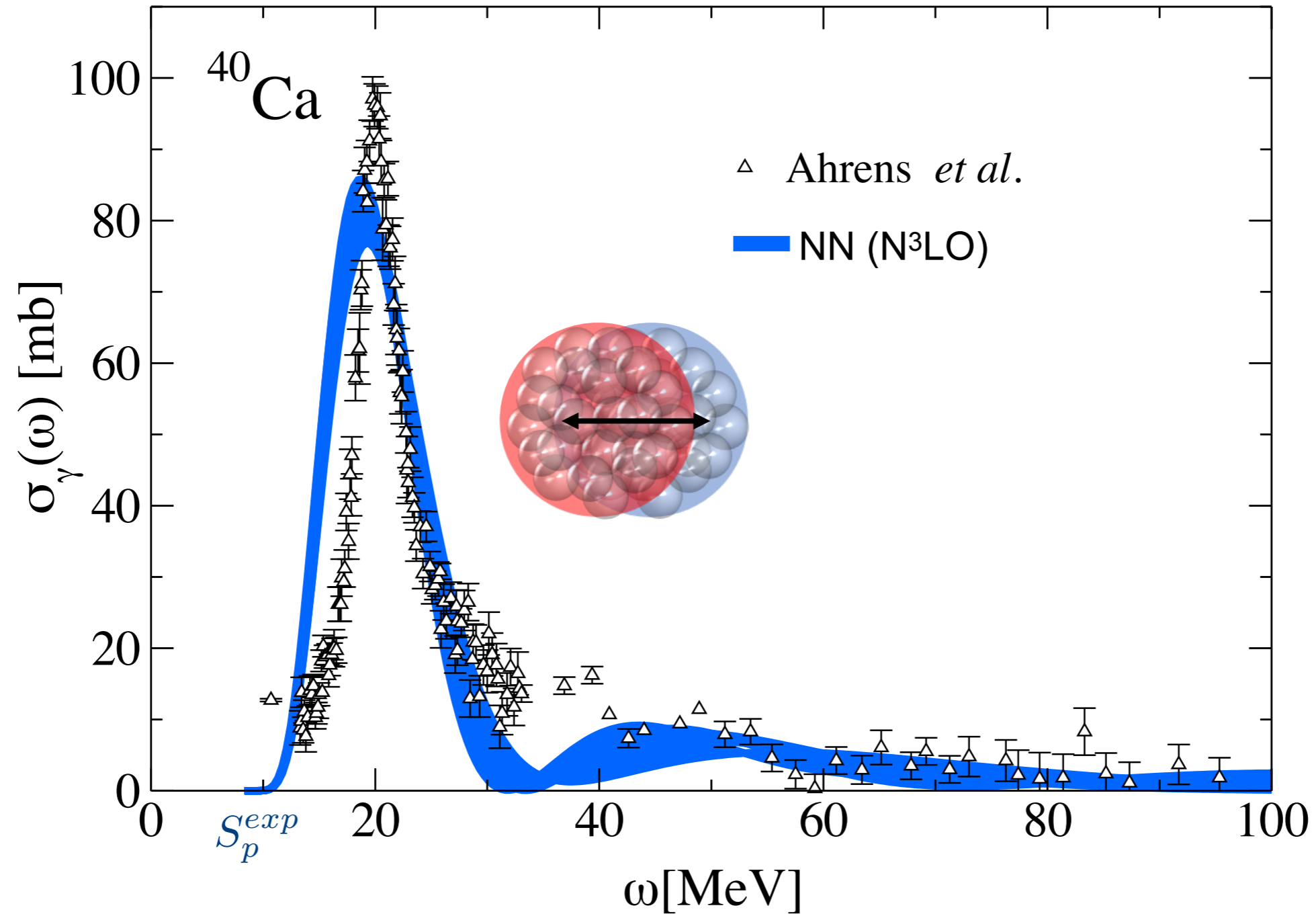
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Do we see the emergence of collective motions from first principle calculations?

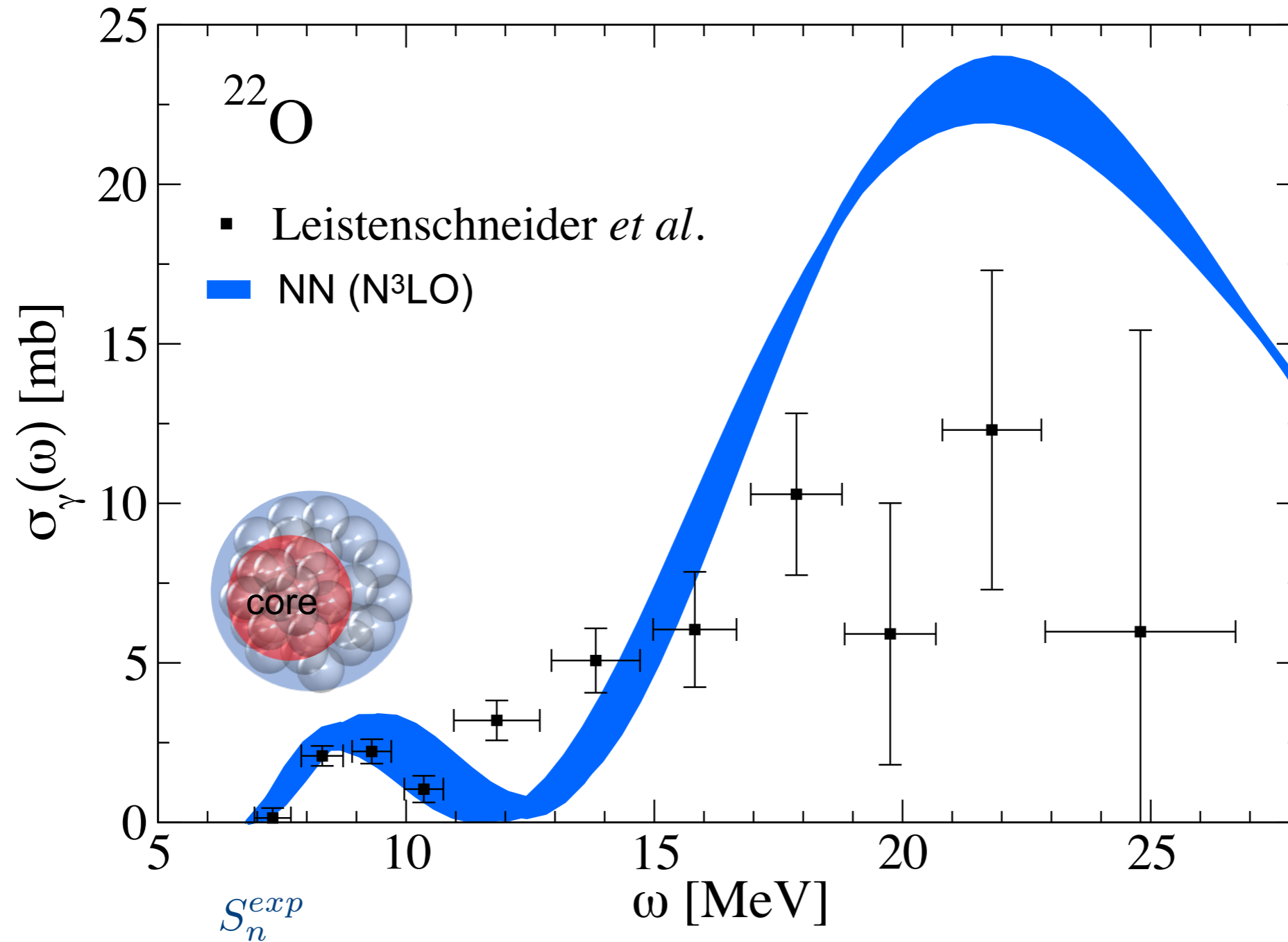
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SB et al., PRC **90**, 064619 (2014)



Pygmy dipole resonance

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Connections to astrophysics

Nuclear Equation of State

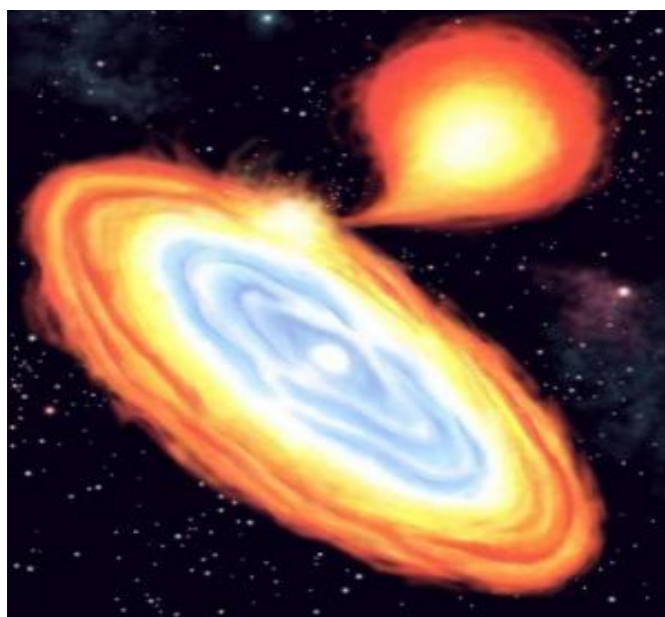
$$E(\rho, \delta) = E(\rho, 0) + S(\rho)\delta^2 + \mathcal{O}(\delta^4)$$

$$\rho = \rho_n + \rho_p, \quad \delta = \frac{\rho_n - \rho_p}{\rho_n + \rho_p}$$

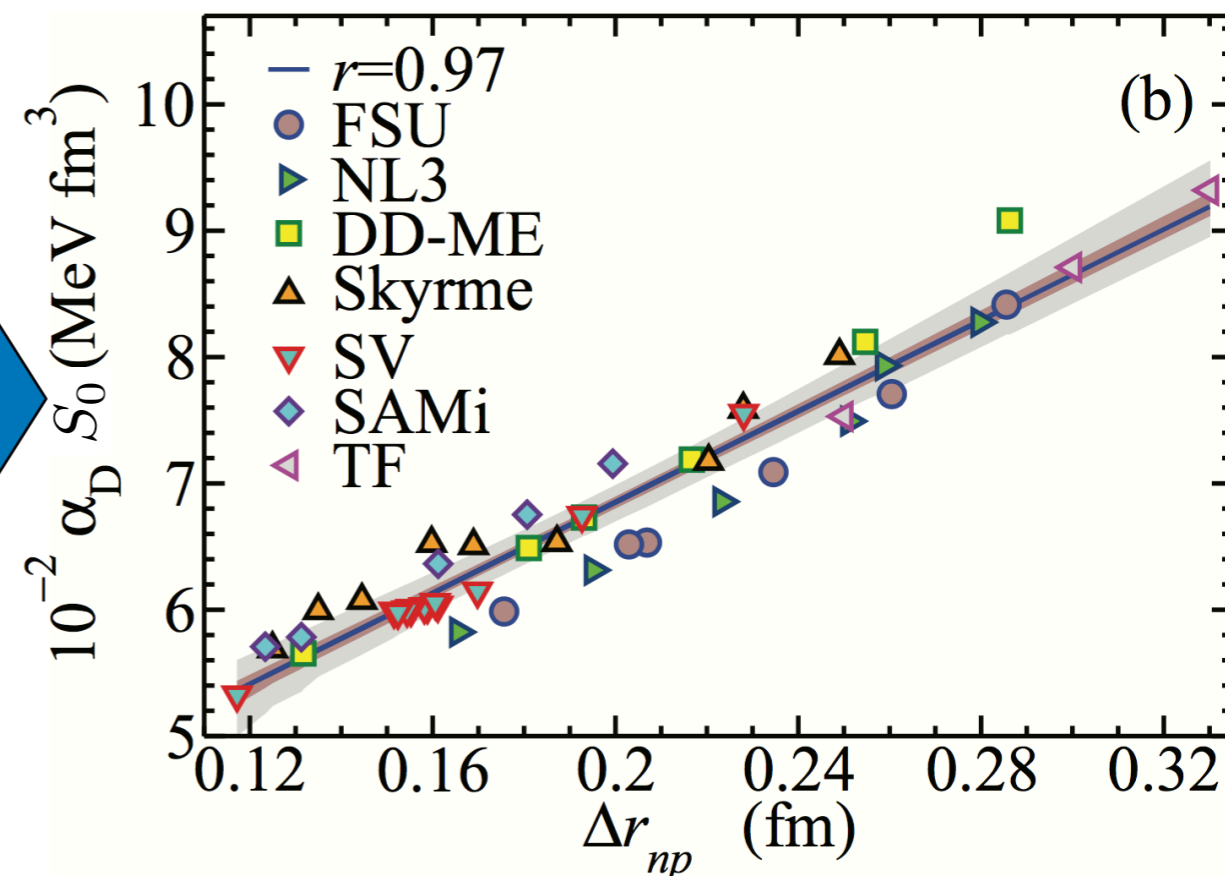
$$S(\rho) = S_0 + \frac{L}{3\rho_0}(\rho - \rho_0) + \frac{K_{sym}}{18\rho_0^2}(\rho - \rho_0)^2 + \dots$$

Symmetry energy at saturation density

Slope parameter, related to pressure of pure neutron matter at saturation density

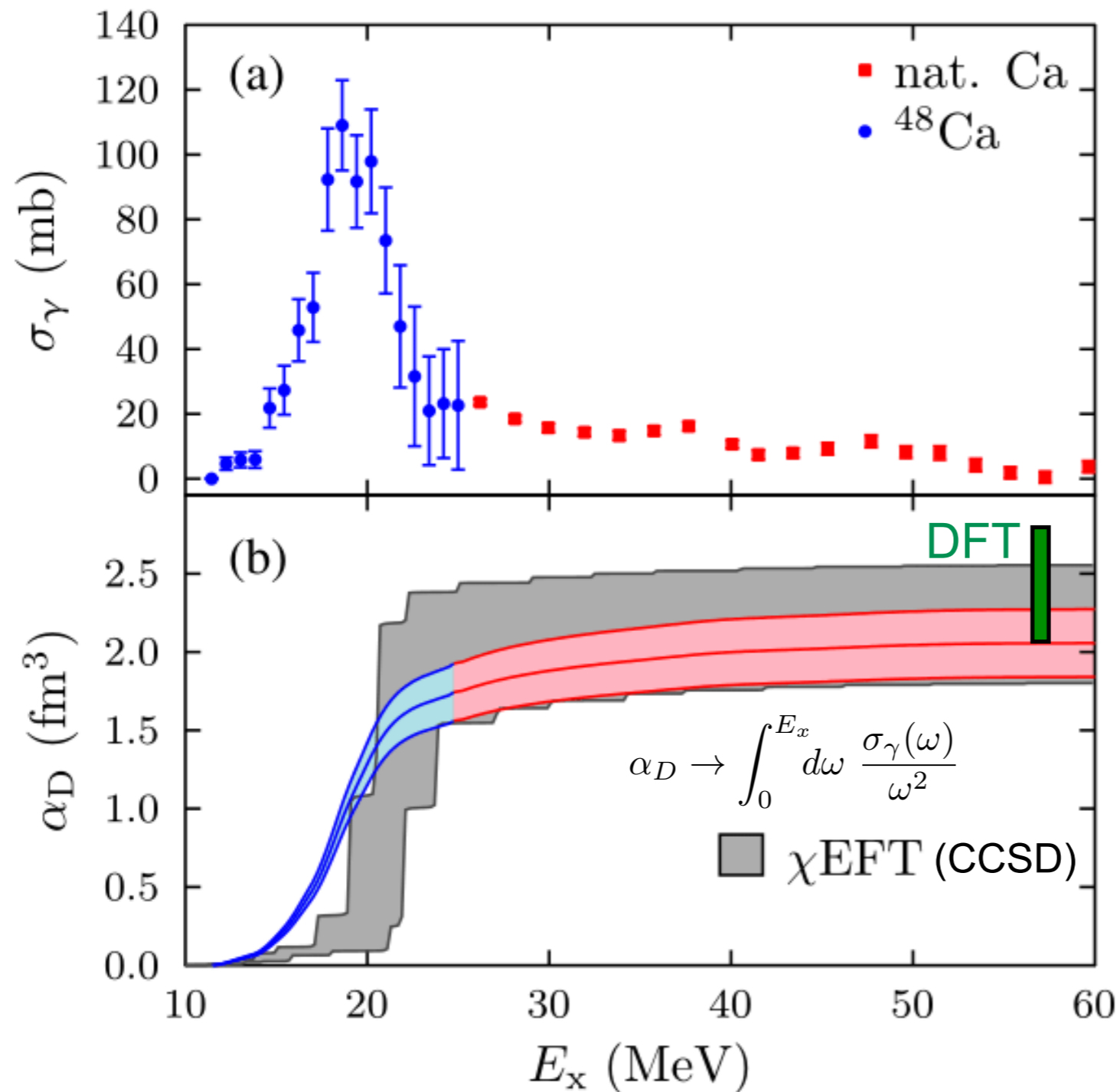


Laboratory measurements on finite nuclei are crucial

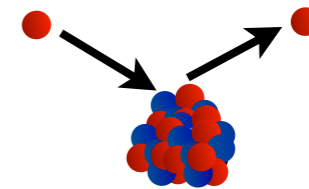


The ^{48}Ca nucleus

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RCPN (p,p') experiment



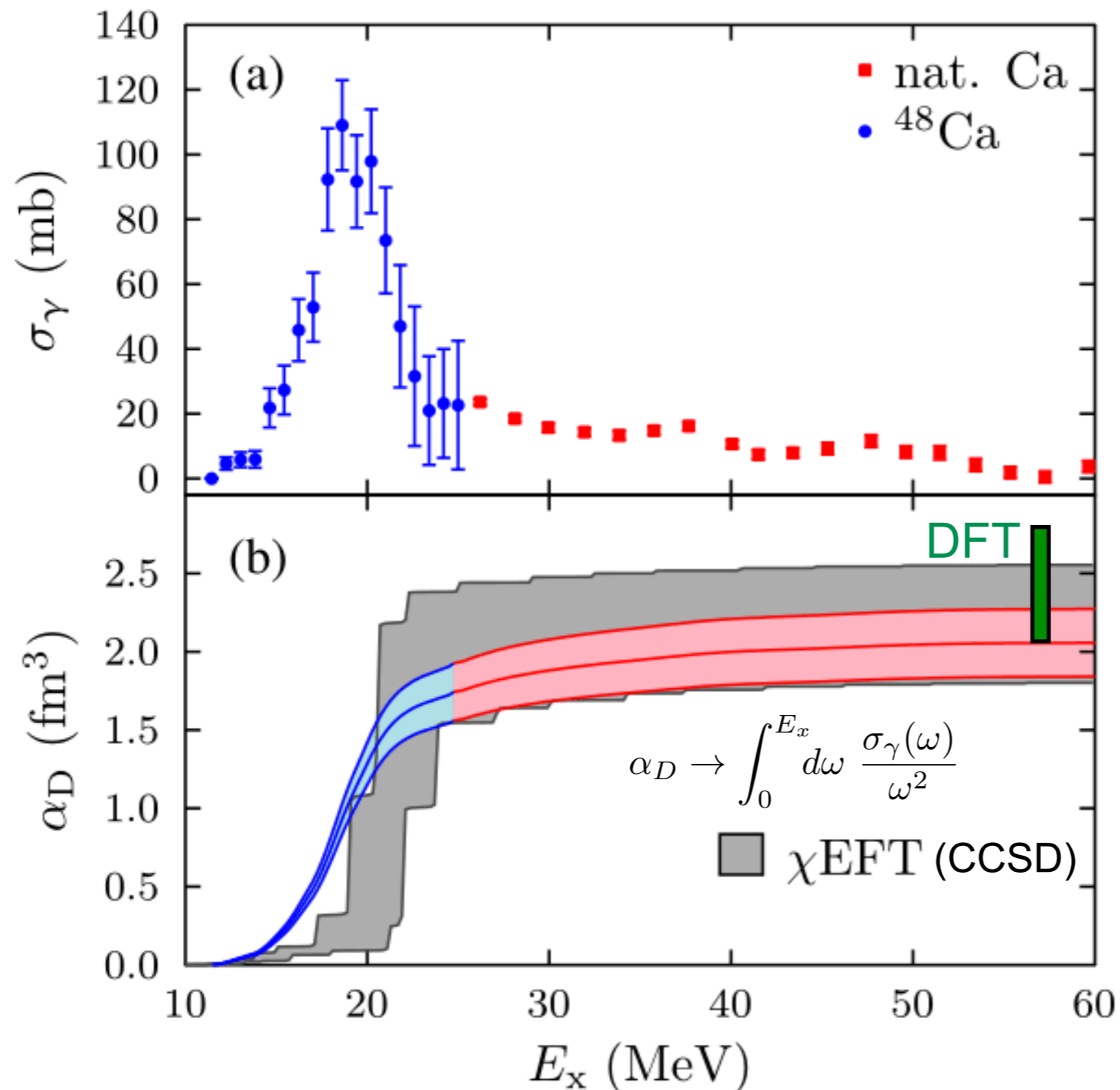
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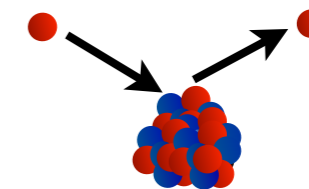
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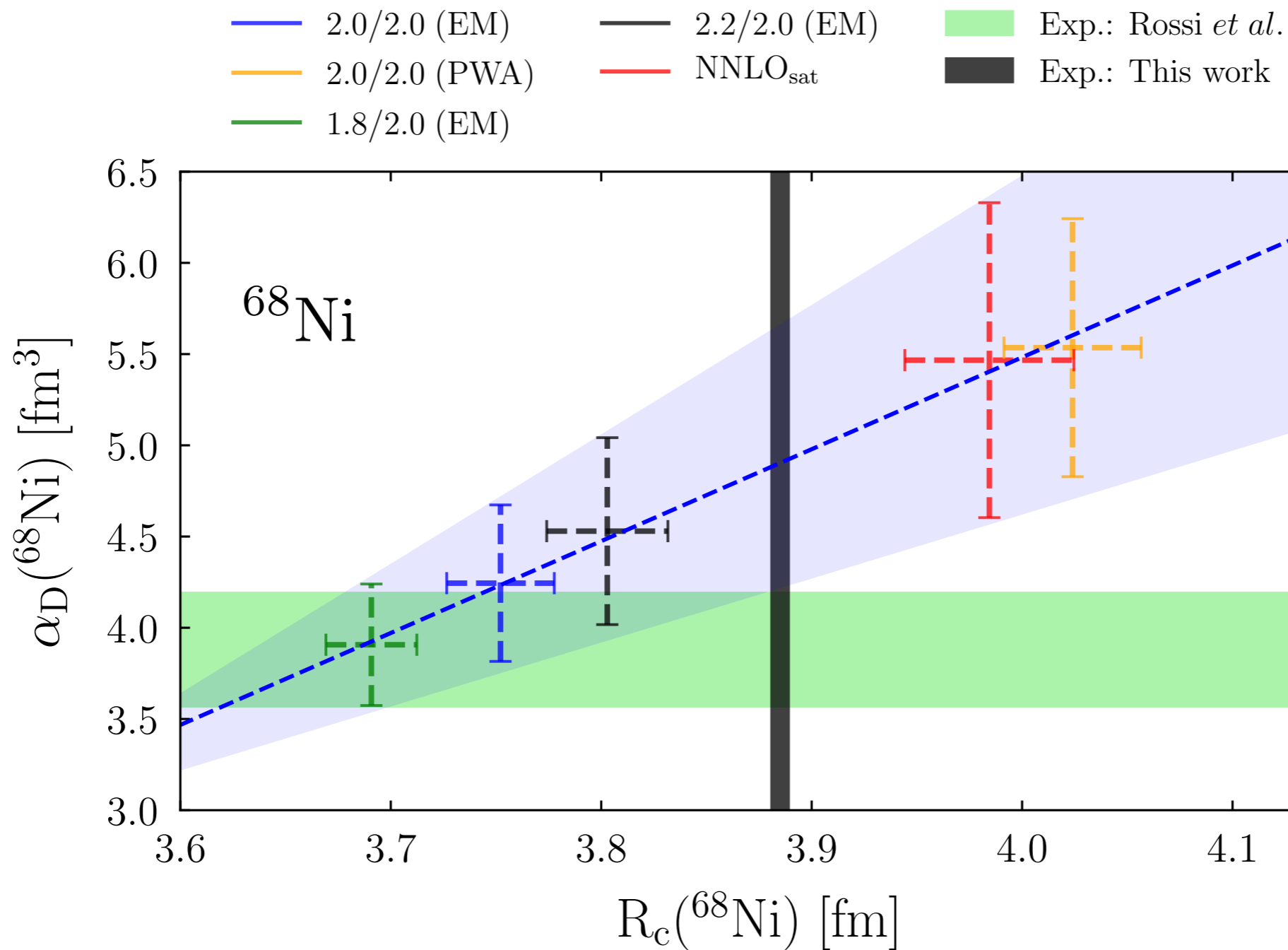
Improved correlations: CCSD-T1

Miorelli, SB *et al.*, PRC **98**, 014324 (2018)

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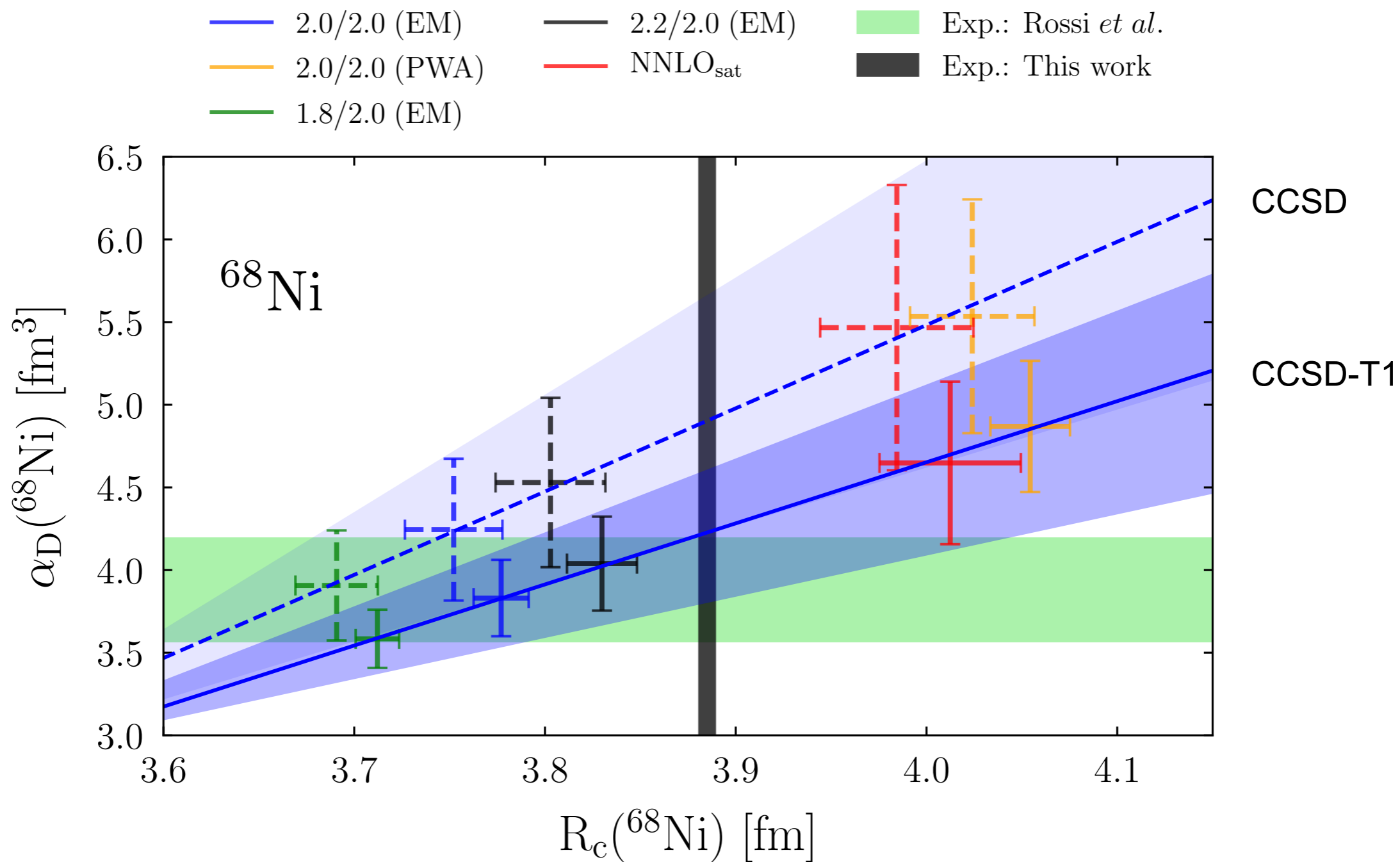
The ^{68}Ni nucleus

S.Kaufmann, J. Simonis, SB *et al.*, PRL **104** (2020) 132505



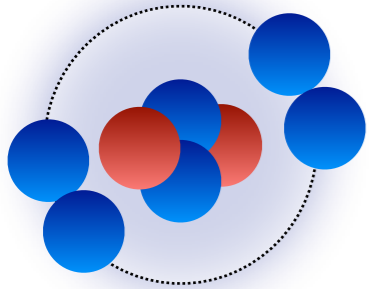
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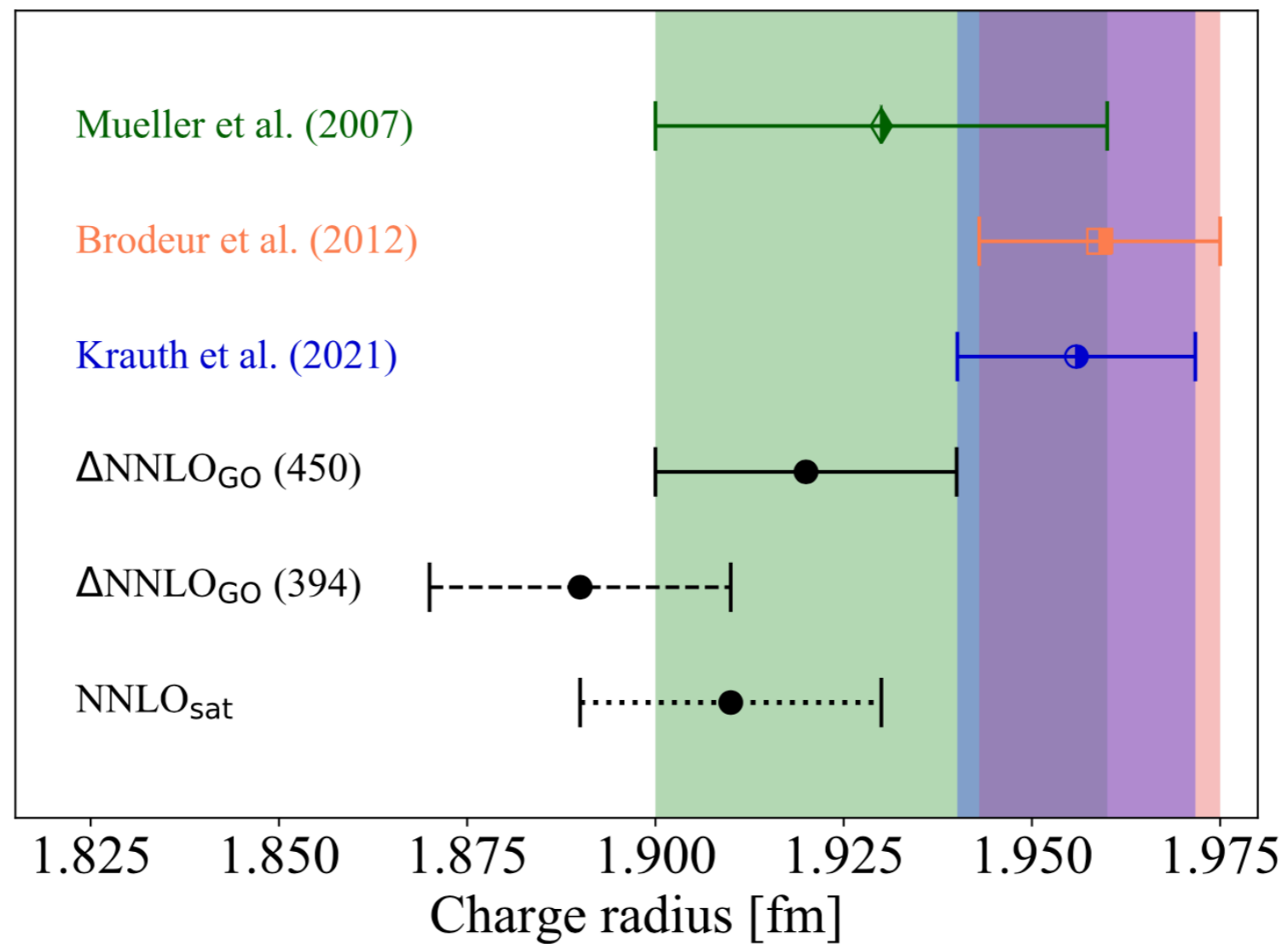


The Halo ^8He nucleus

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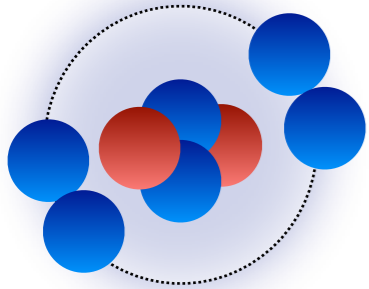


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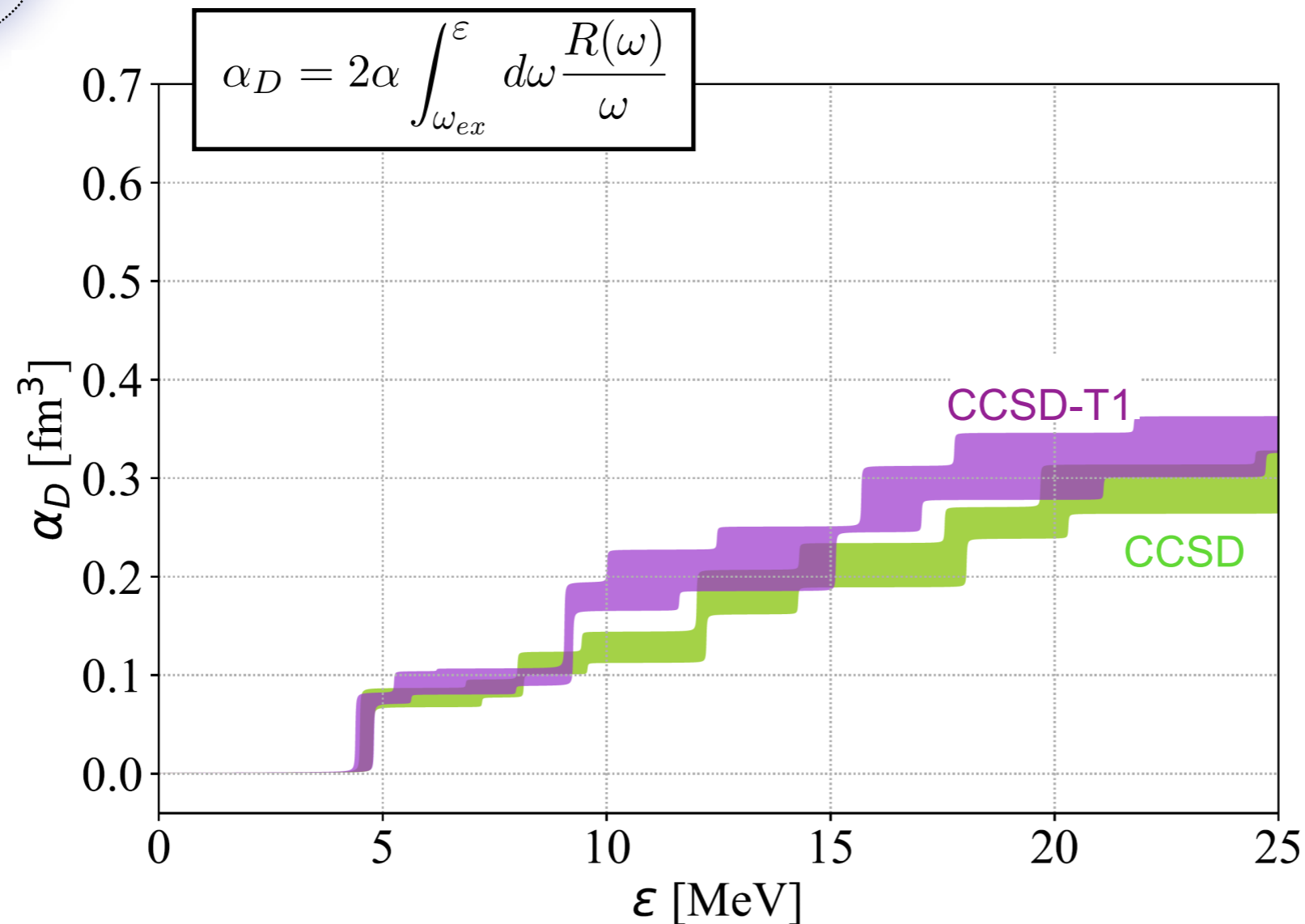
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Electric dipole polarizability, running sum

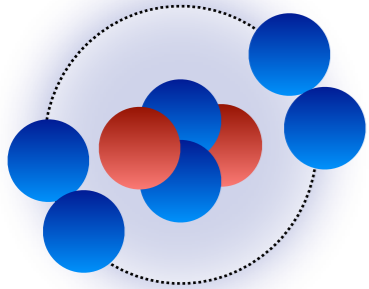
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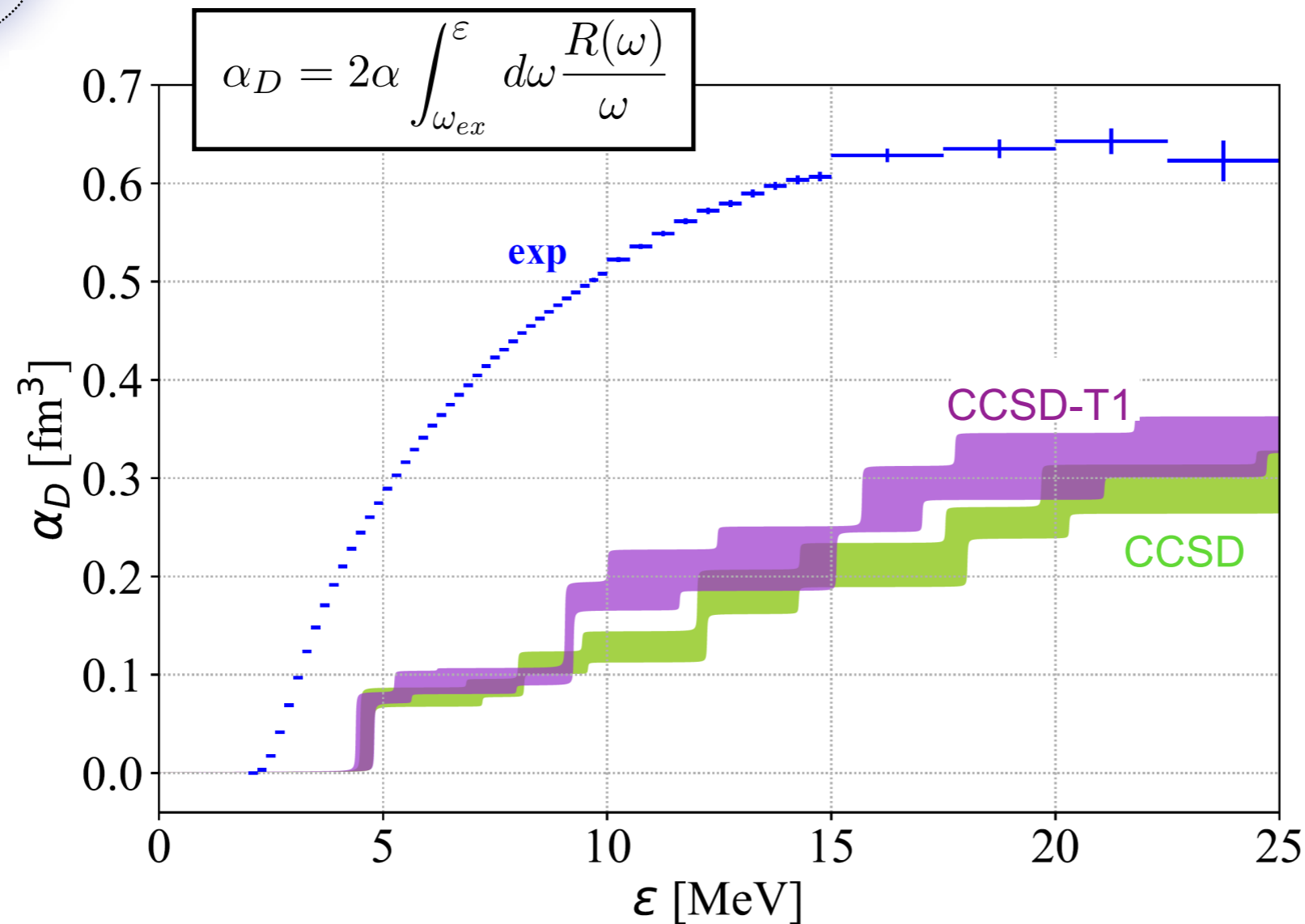
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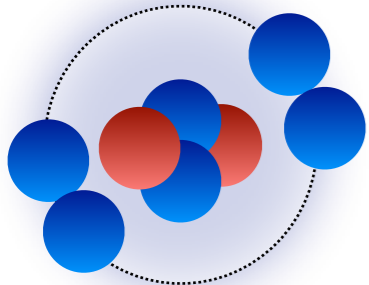


Exp (preliminary)
C. Lehr et al.
SAMURAI
collaboration

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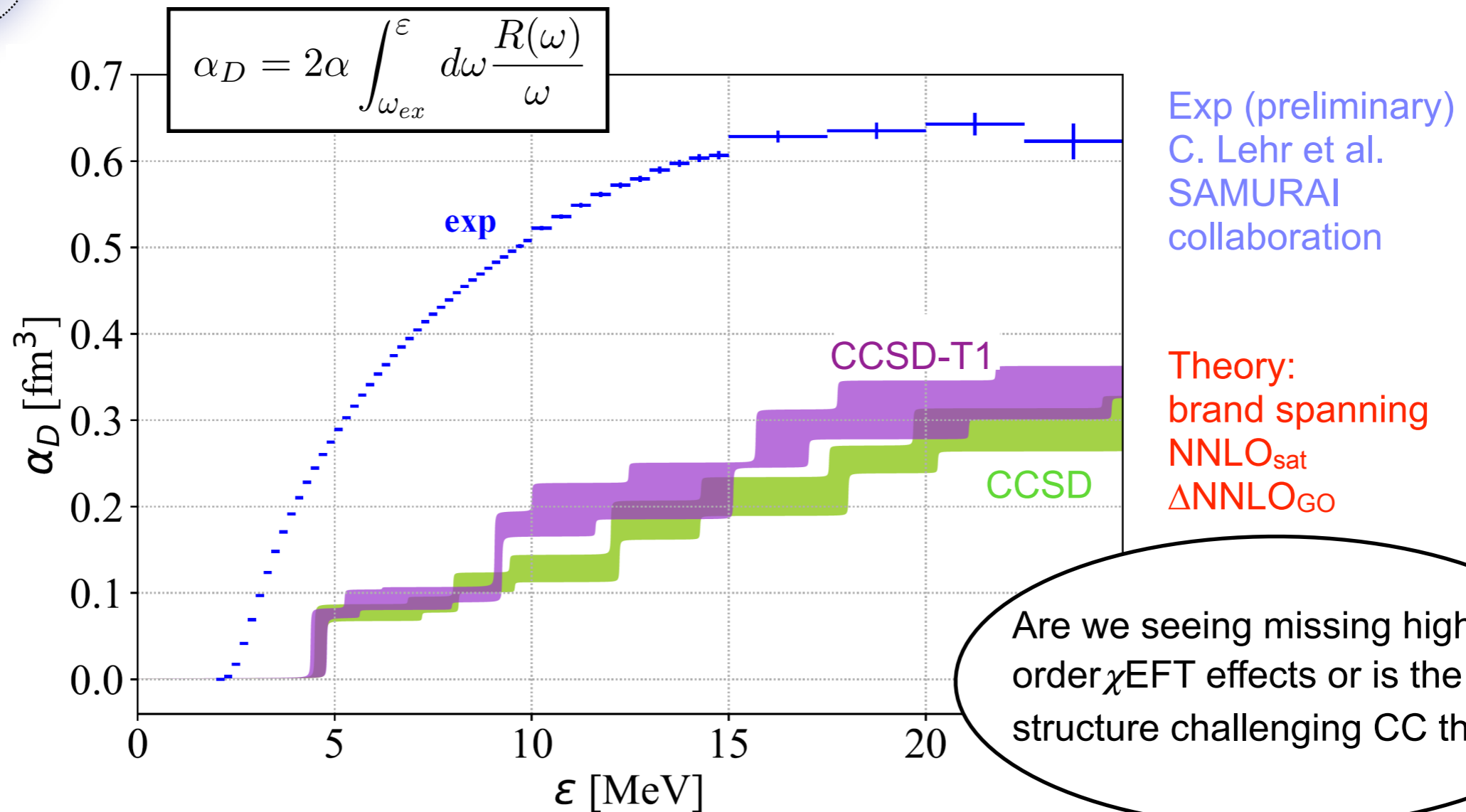
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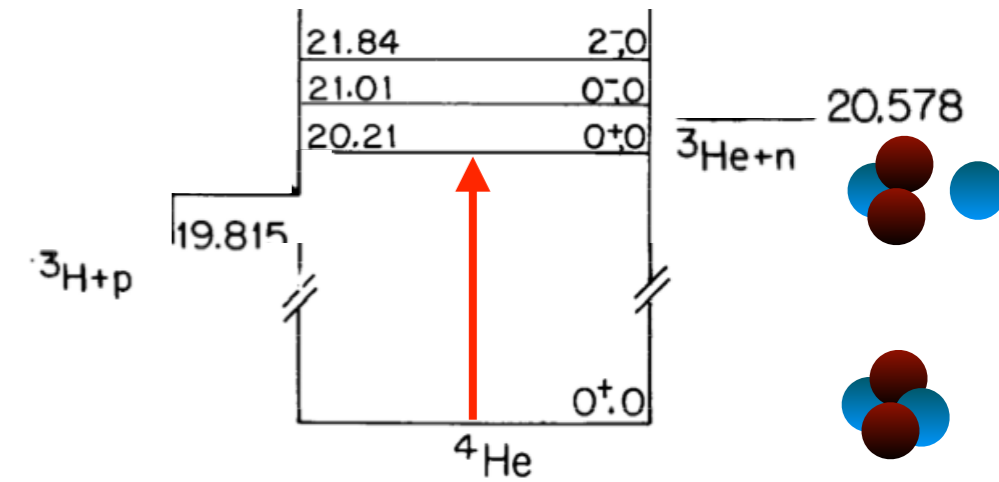
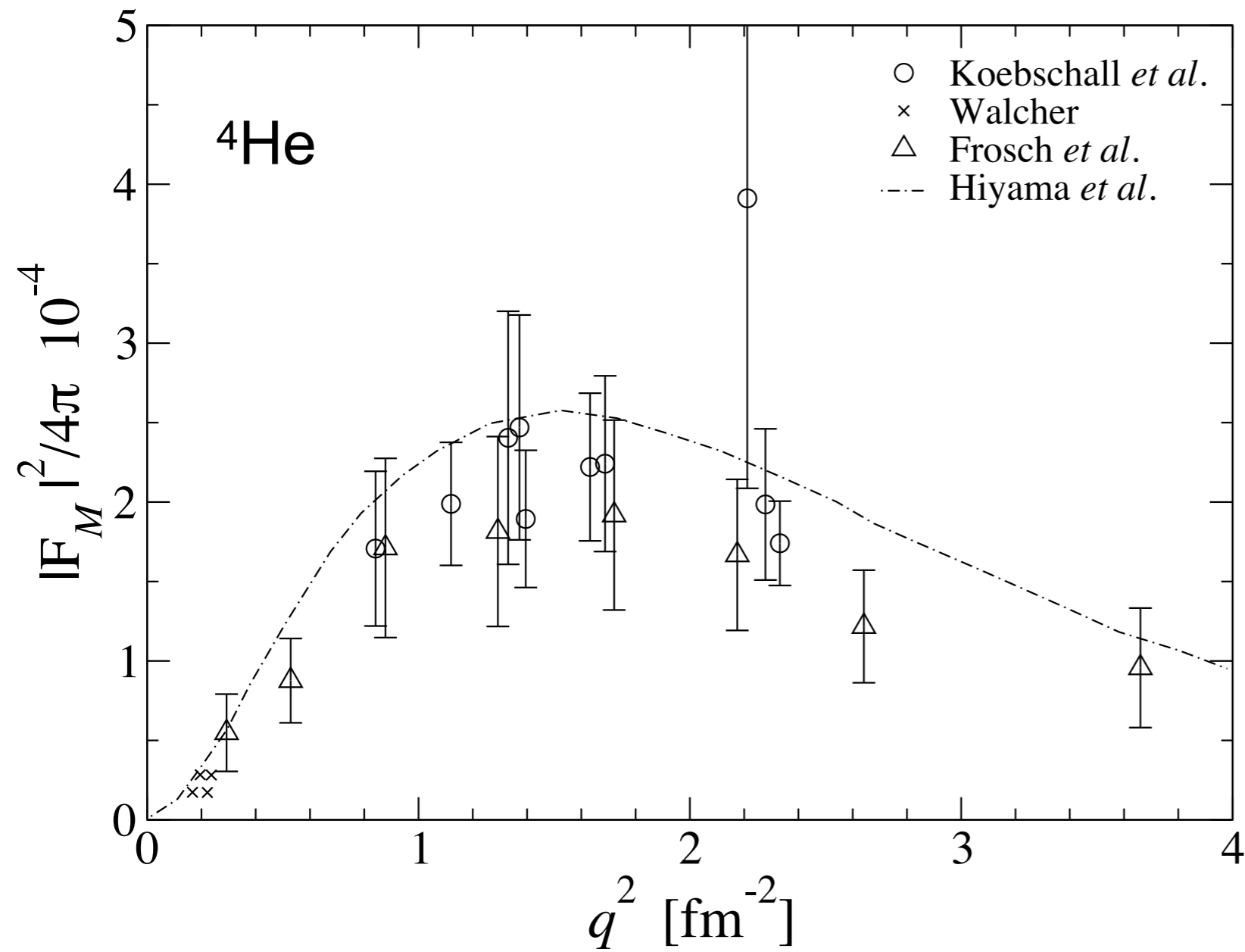


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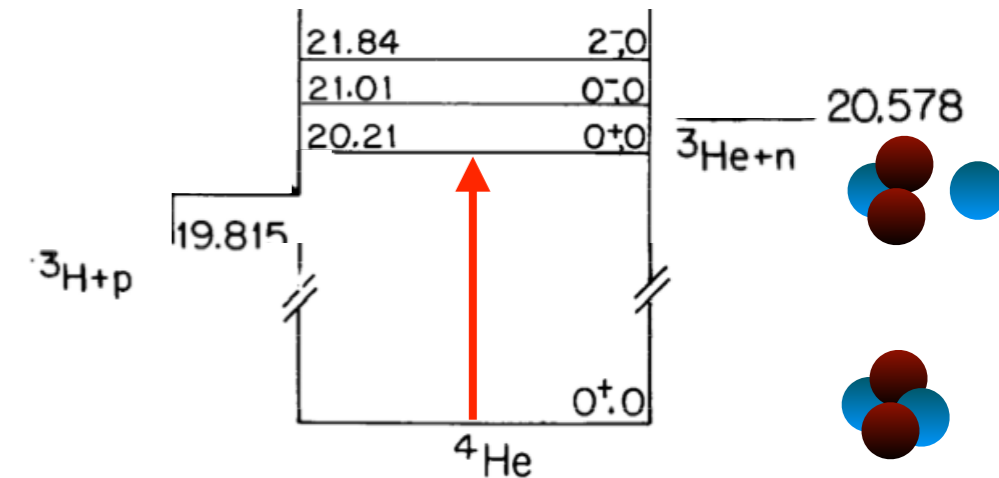
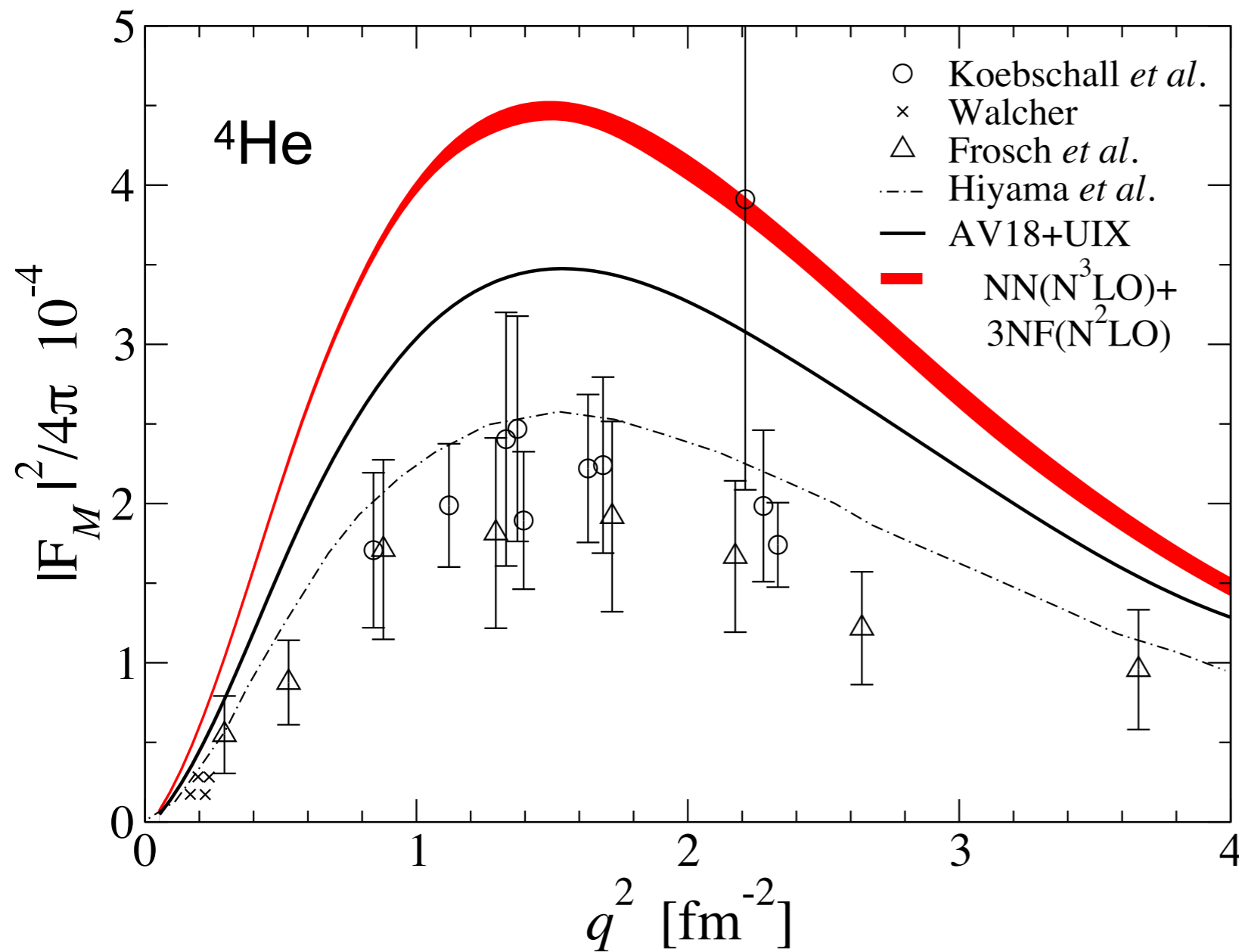


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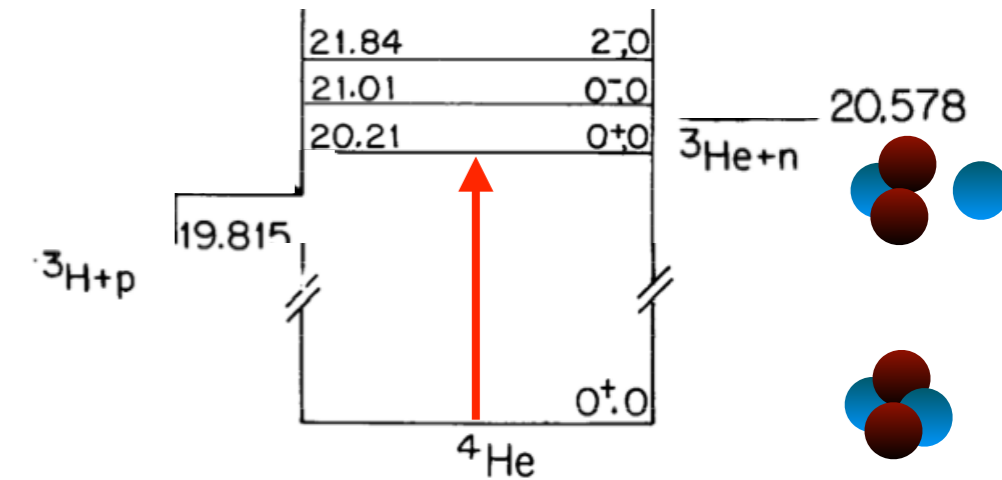
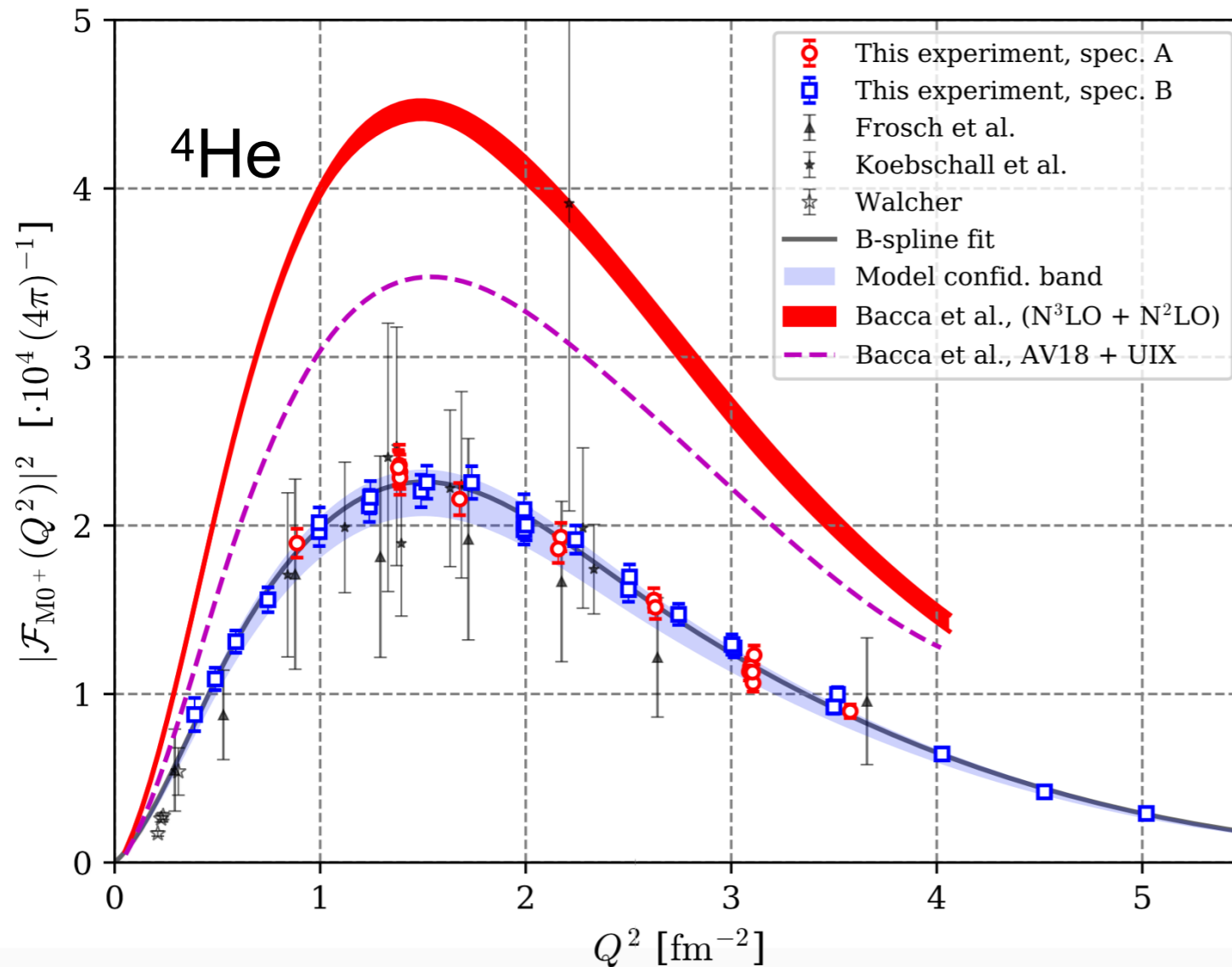
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- Hiyama's calculation agree with data but our computation disagree
- Experimental data have large error bars

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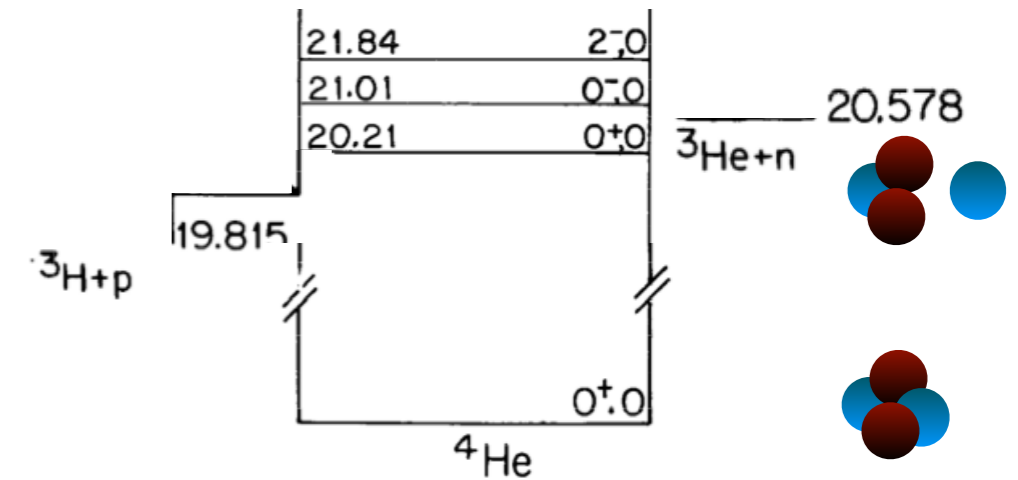
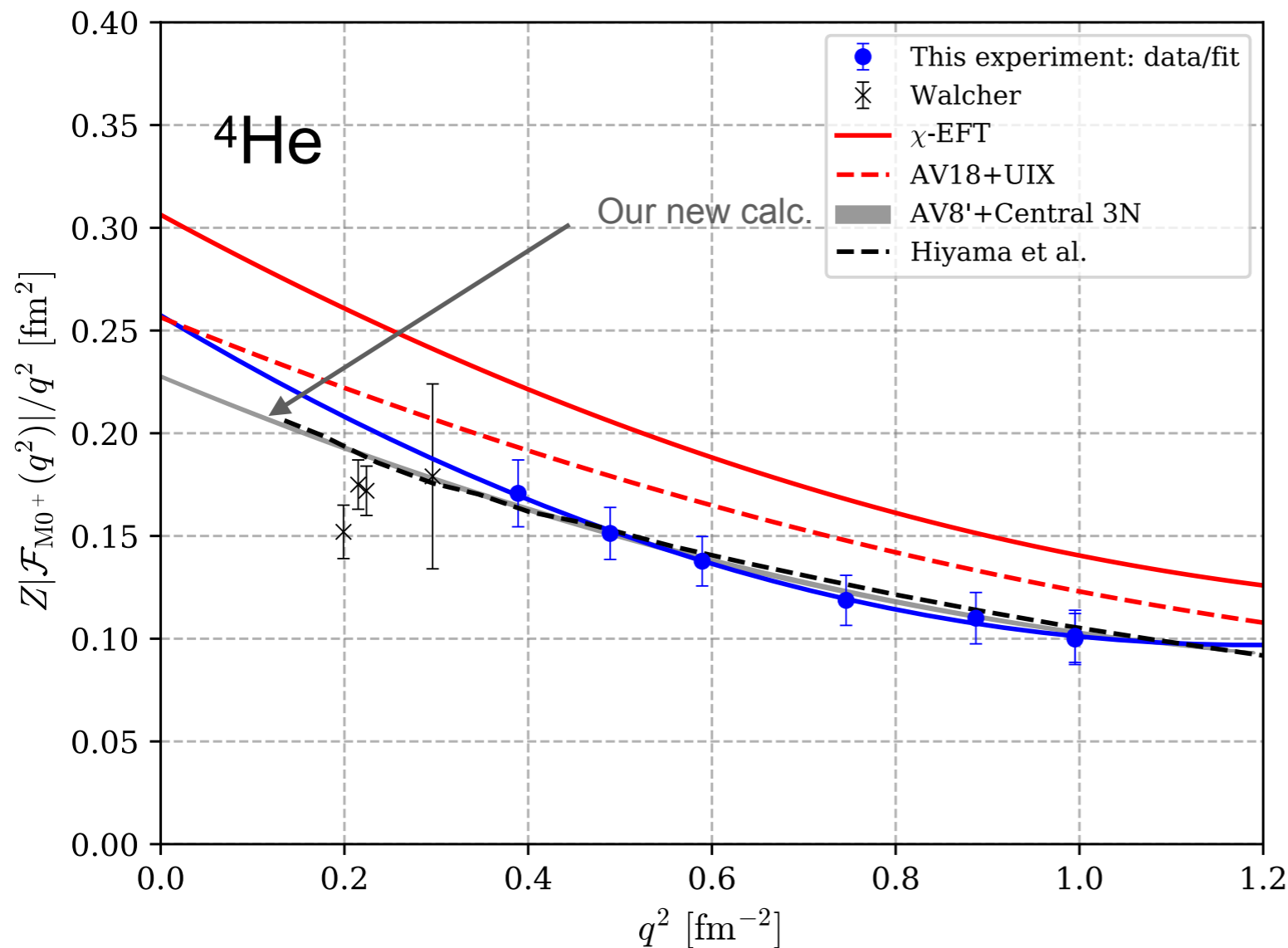
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- New experiment in Mainz with dramatically improved \Rightarrow problem is in the theory
- Calculations done with different methods and different interactions.
Can the different methods be the problem?

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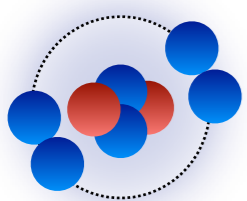
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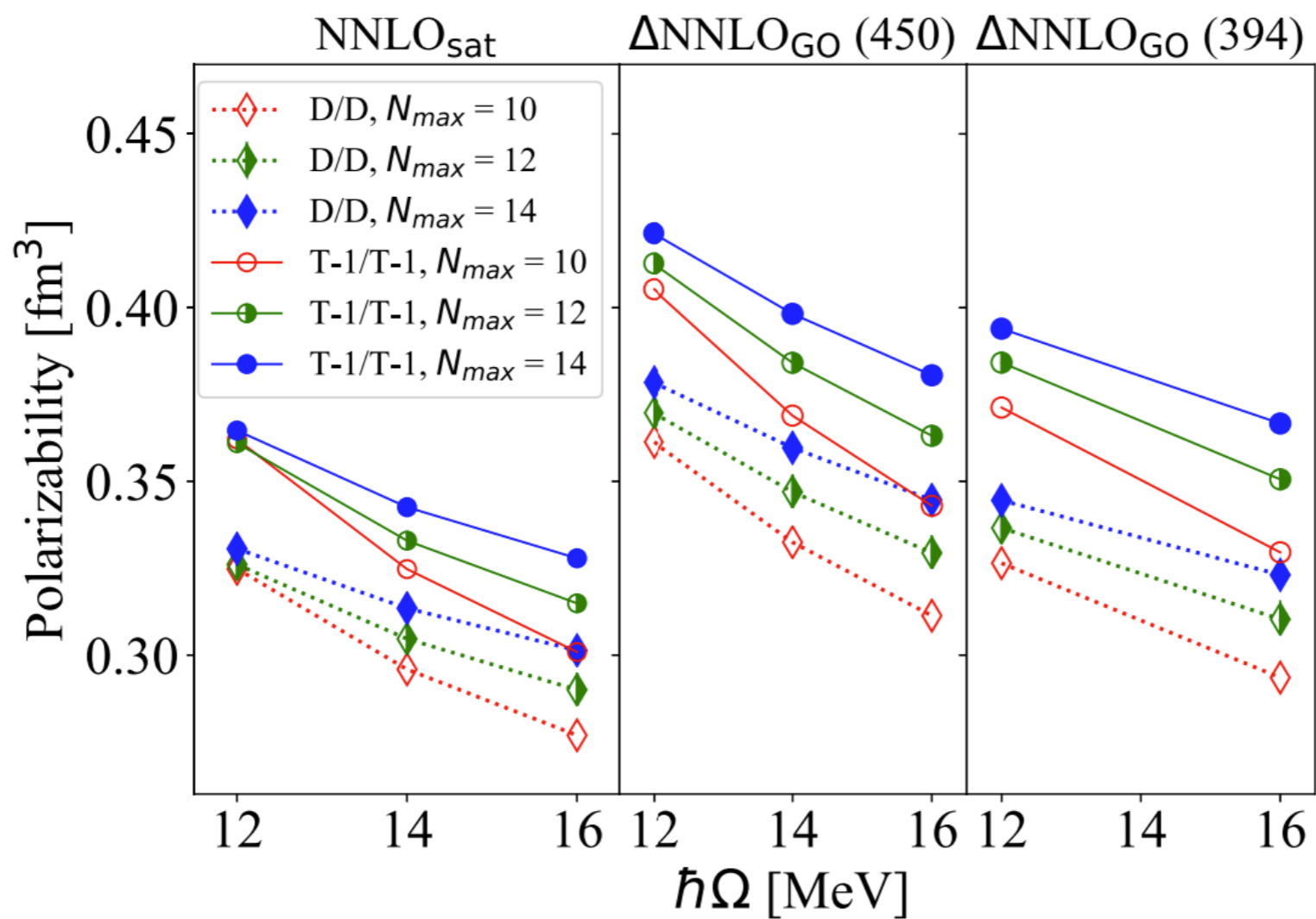
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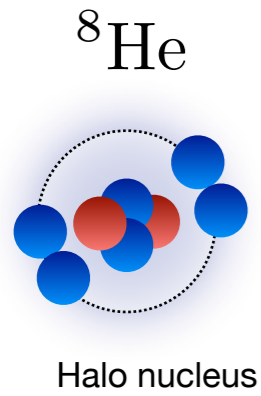
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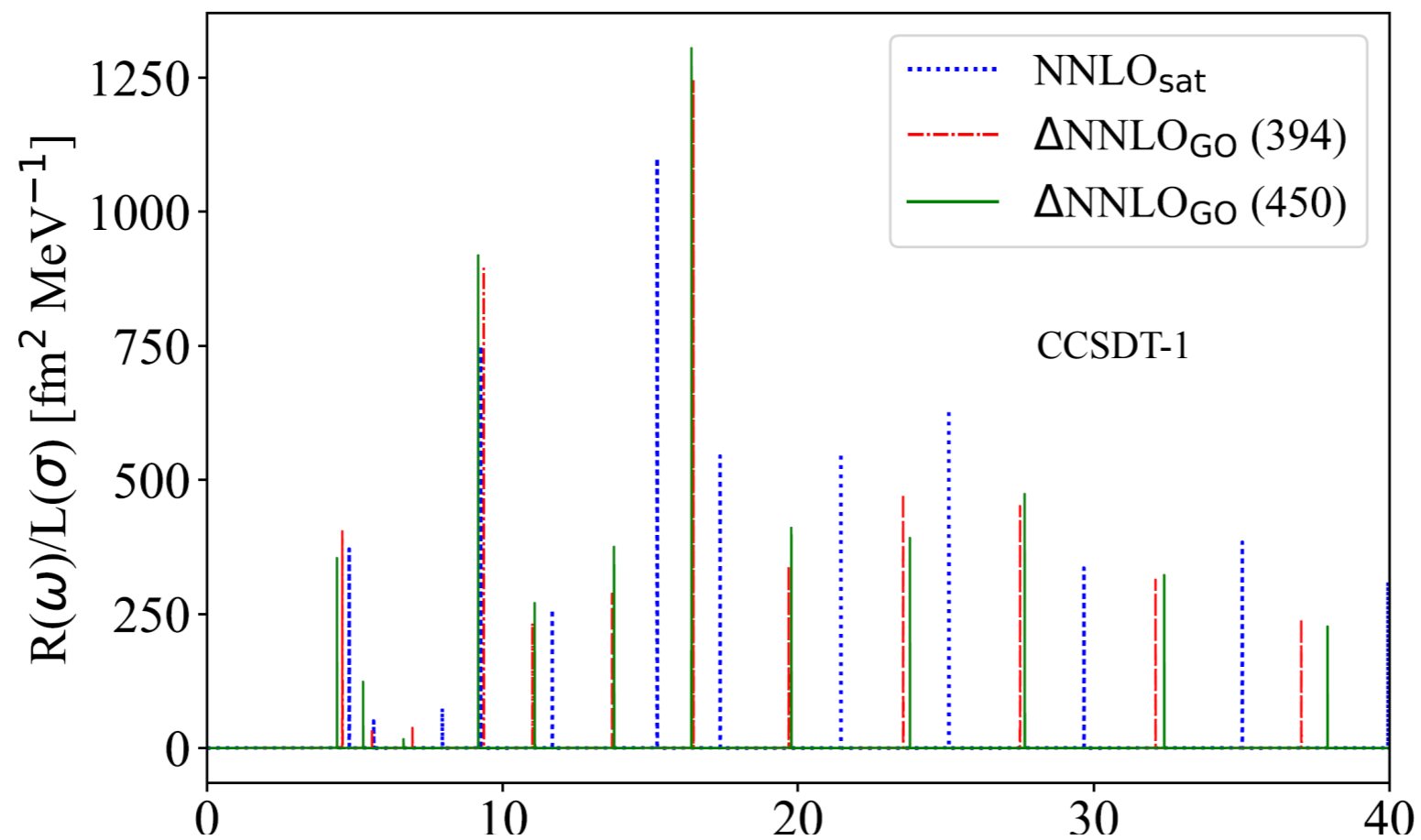


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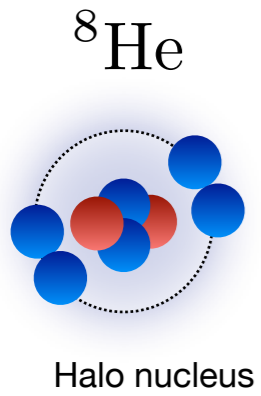


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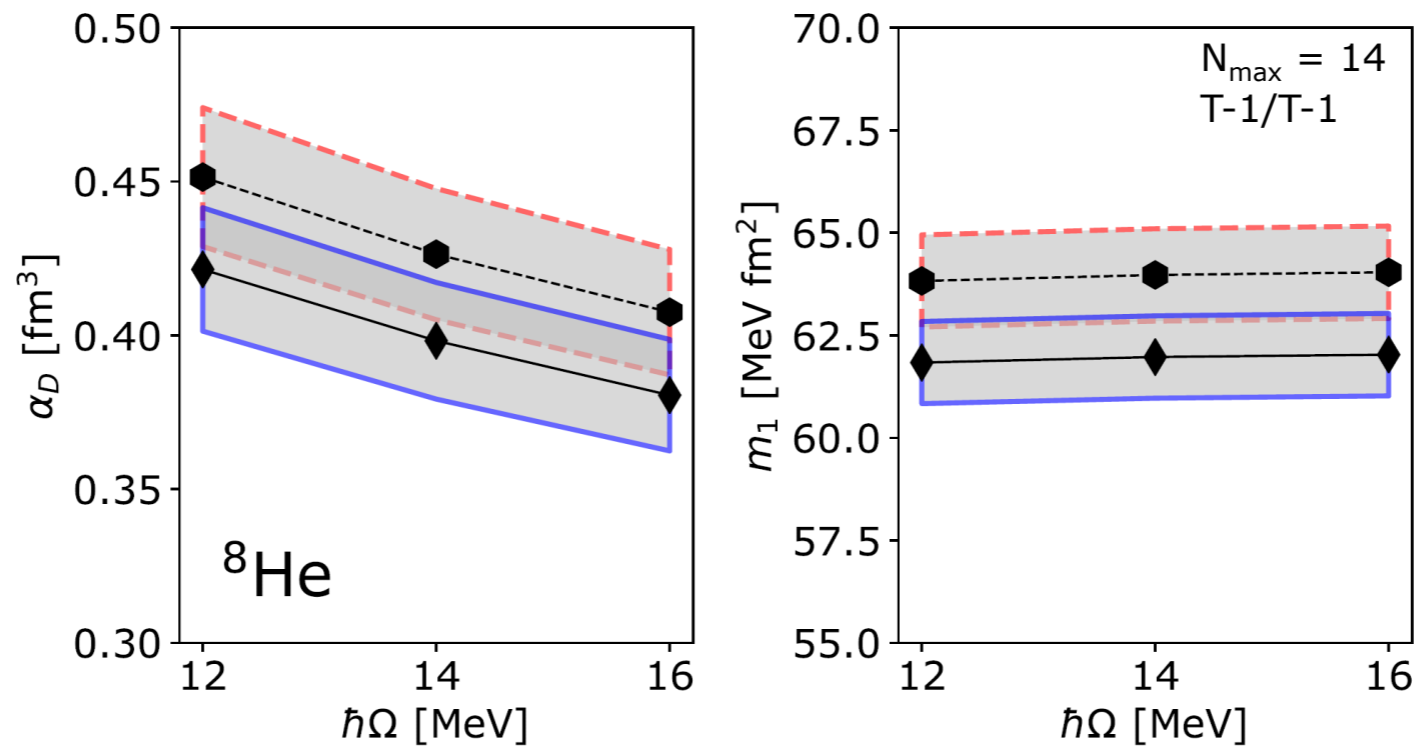


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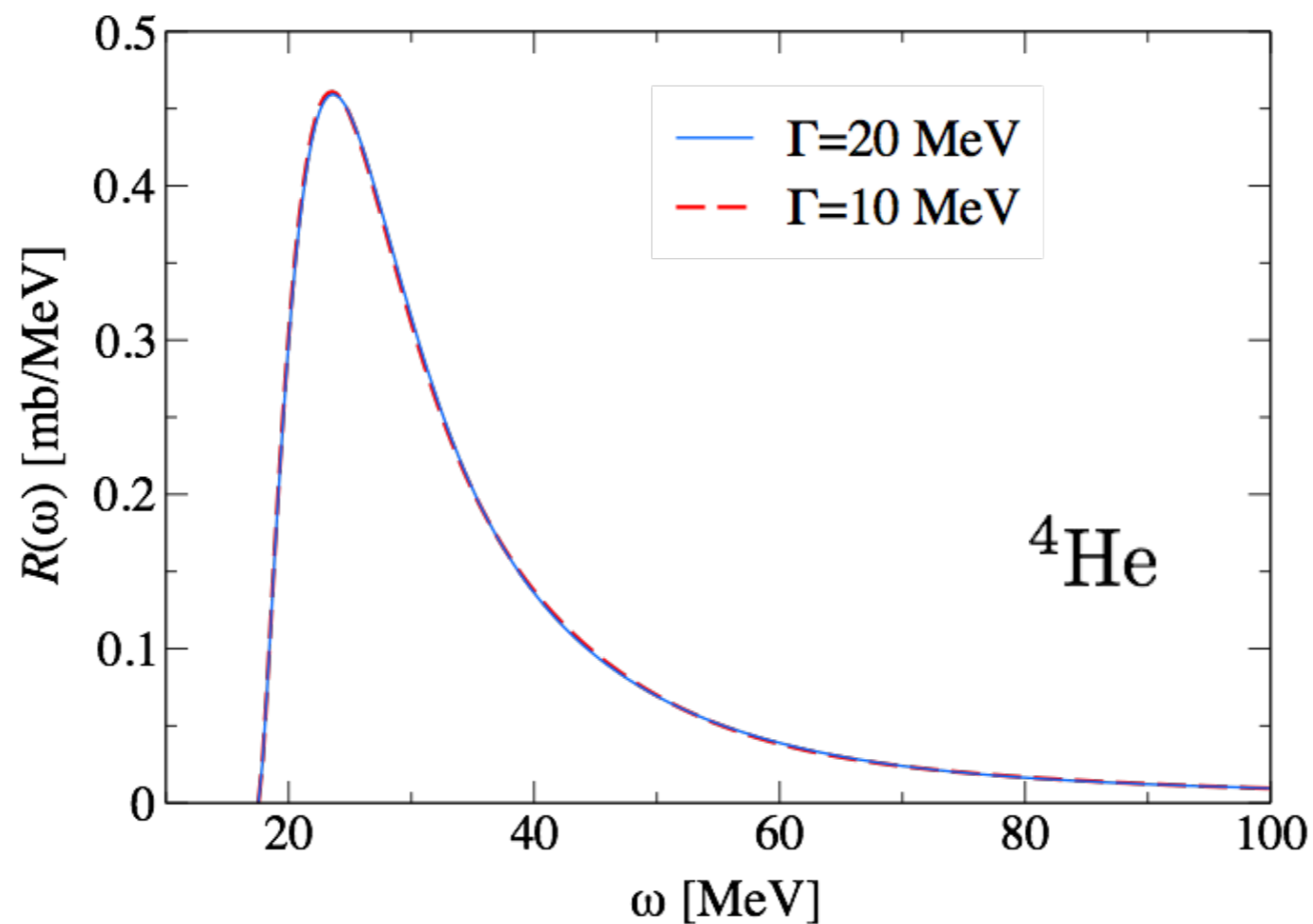
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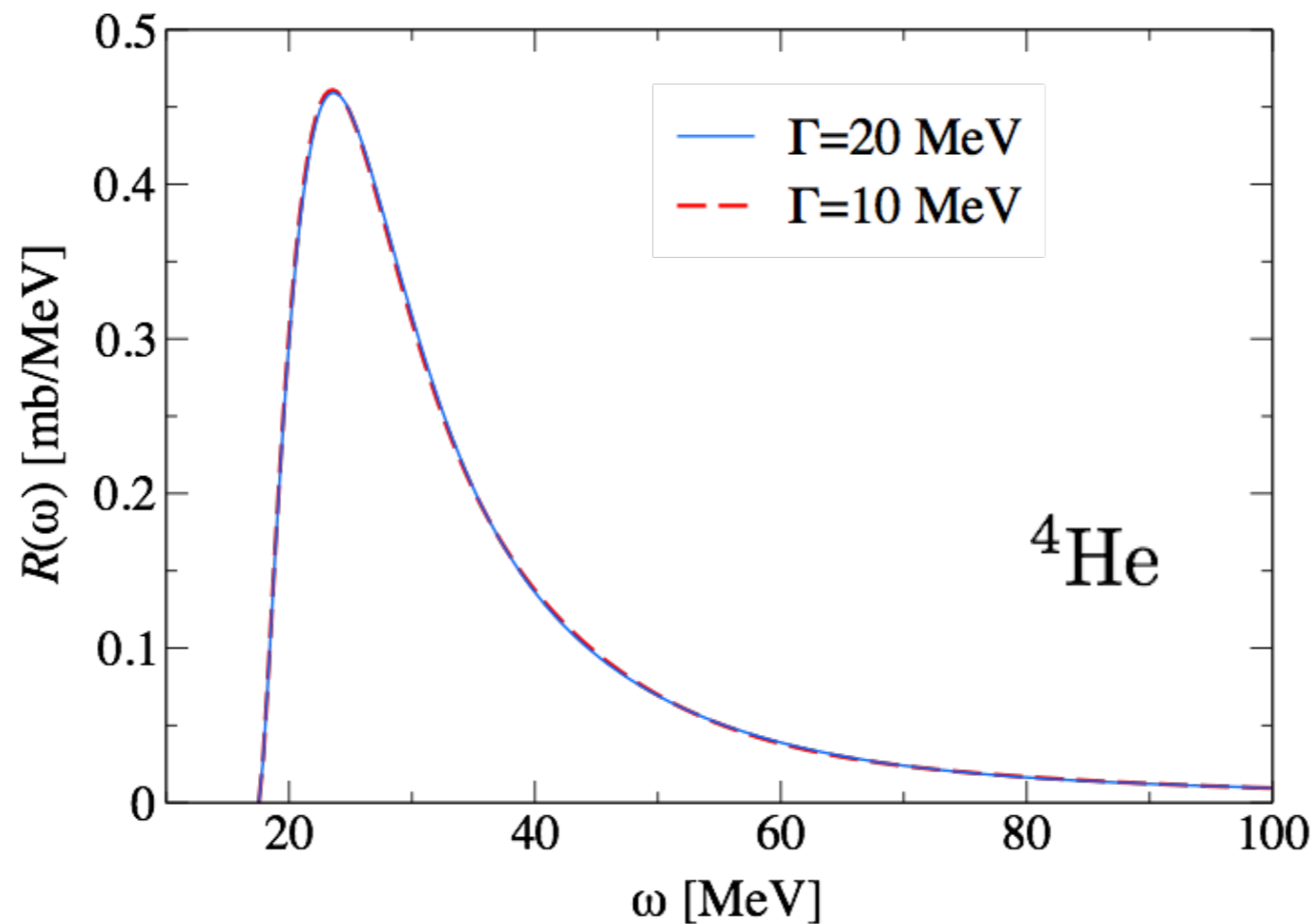


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