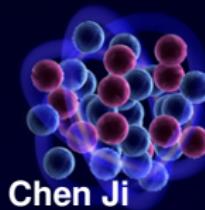


# Halo and Pionless Effective Field Theories for Describing Nuclear Structures and Reactions

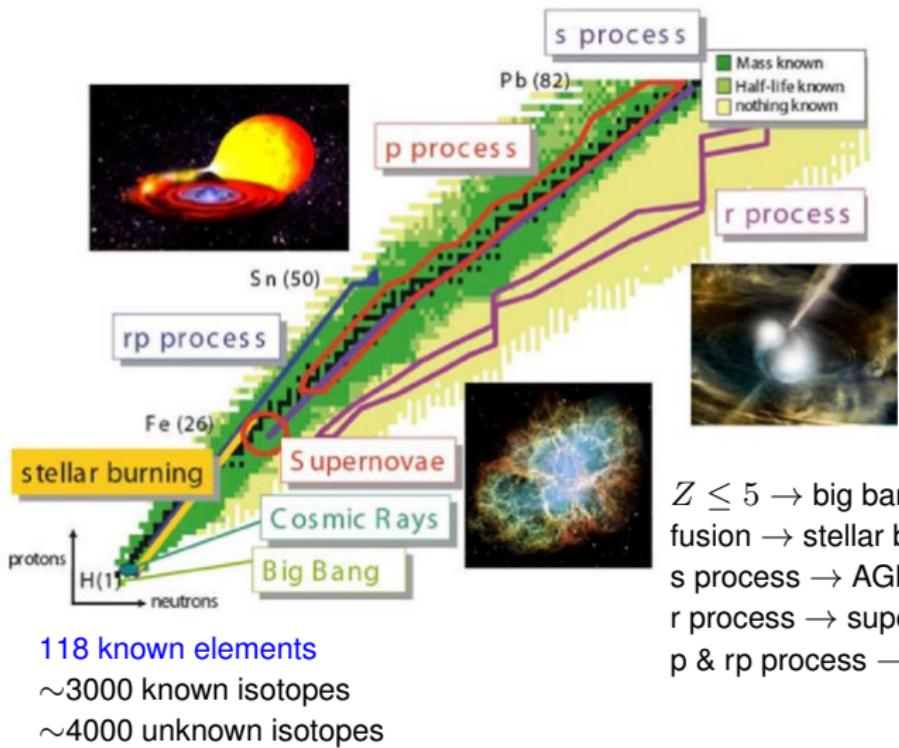


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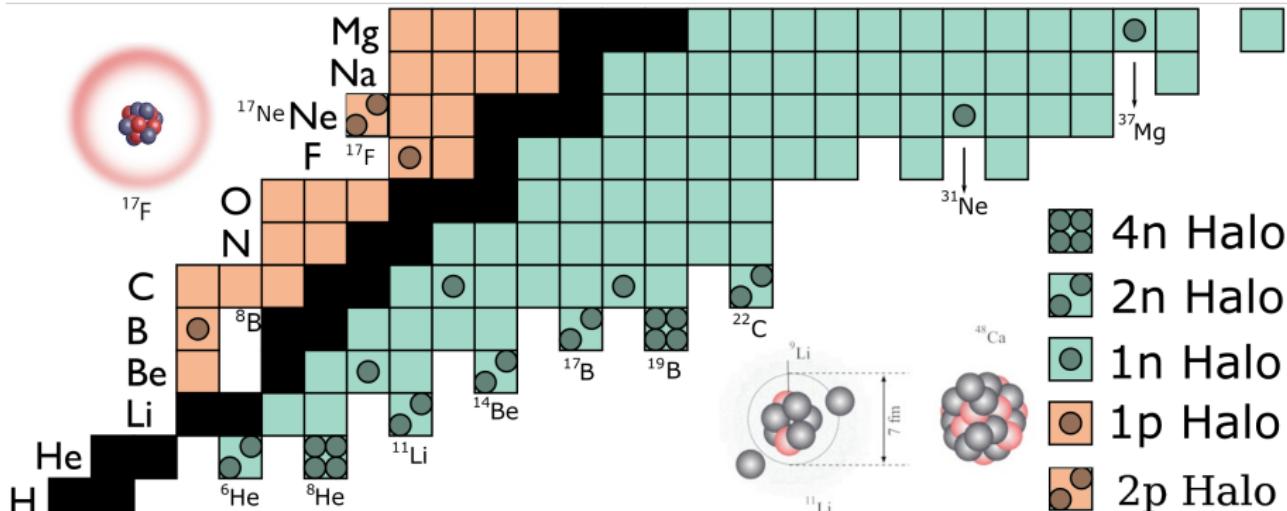
# Nucleosynthesis & astrophysical processes



$Z \leq 5 \rightarrow$  big bang / cosmic ray fusion  $\rightarrow$  stellar burning  
s process  $\rightarrow$  AGB star  
r process  $\rightarrow$  supernovae & neutron-star merger  
p & rp process  $\rightarrow$  sun-neutron-star binary

pic: Senger, Particles 3 (2020) 320

# Halo nuclei



- far from stability (close to drip line)
- exhibit unique quantum features
  - light, p-rich or n-rich
  - bound/resonant states close to breakup threshold
- cluster structures
  - tight core surrounded loosely by valence nucleon(s)
  - large spatial extent
- enhanced cross section in astrophysical reaction at finite temperature

# Halo nuclei challenge nuclear theories

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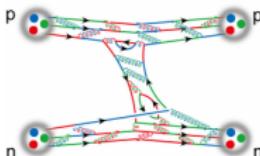
- Phases of halo theories
  - Back-of-the-envelope period
    - “quick and dirty” estimates of halo properties by reproducing  $\sigma_R$
    - gaussian spatial distribution → reproduce  $\sigma_I \rightarrow R_m$  too small!
  - Few-body models period
    - cluster structure models (core + valence nucleons)
    - few-body reaction models (Glauber, DWBA, CDCC,...)
    - unresolved model dependence
    - limited applicable regimes
  - Microscopic models period
    - ab initio structure theory
    - difficulties in computational power & extension to threshold physics
    - need to develop ab initio reaction theory (e.g. optical potential)
- Effective field theory
  - systematically embed microscopic information in cluster model
  - provide guidance to build reaction theory

*Halo Nuclei, Al-Khalili, Morgan & Claypool Publishers, 2017*

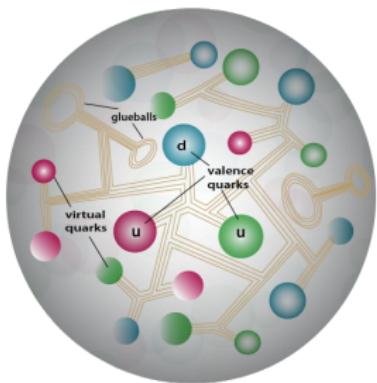
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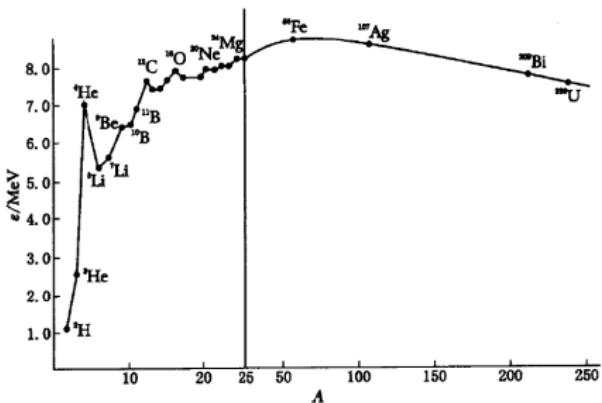
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$Q \sim 100\text{ MeV}$



$\Lambda$ : EFT breakdown scale

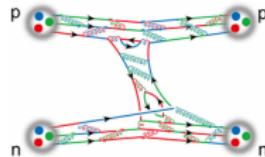
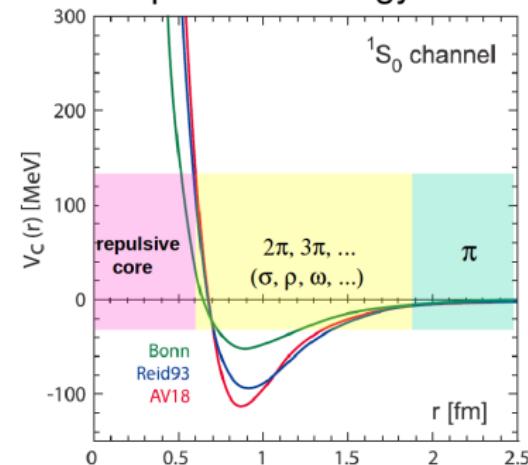


$Q \approx \sqrt{2M_N B/A}$ : typical scale in EFT

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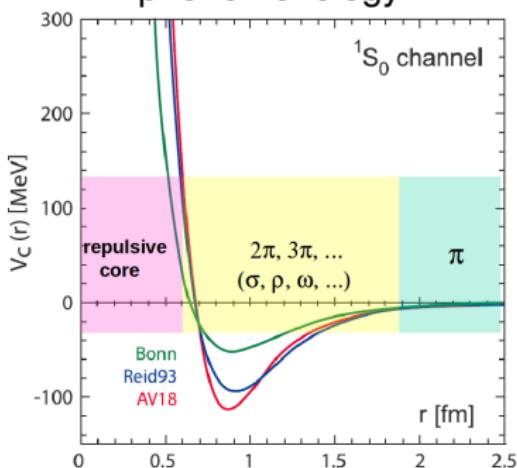


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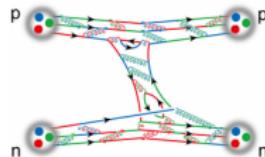
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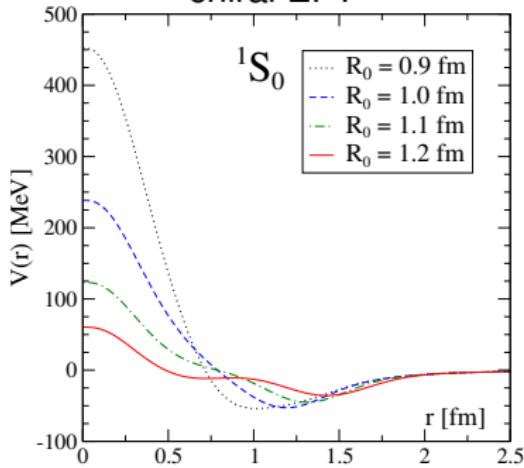


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chiral EFT



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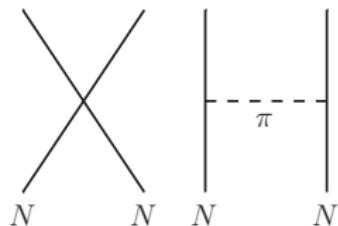
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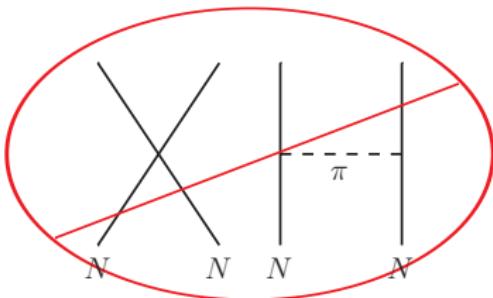
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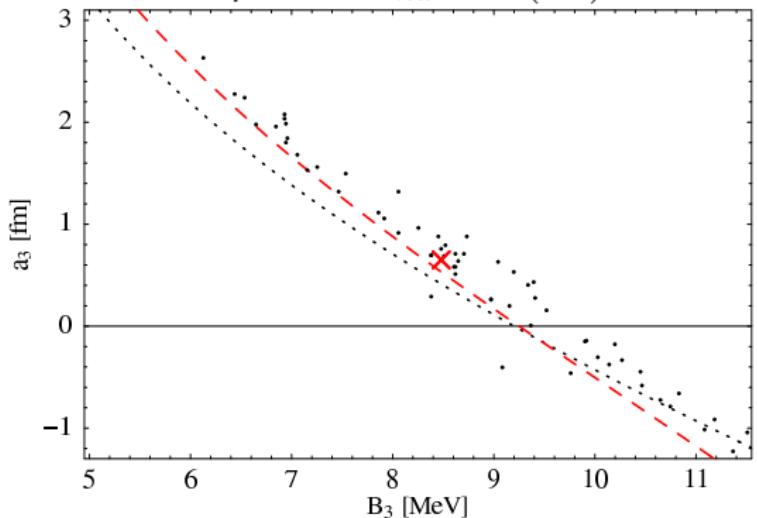
- $NN$  momentum  $q^2 \ll m_\pi^2$

$$V_{1\pi} \xrightarrow{q^2 \ll m_\pi^2} C_0 + C_2 q^2 + \dots$$

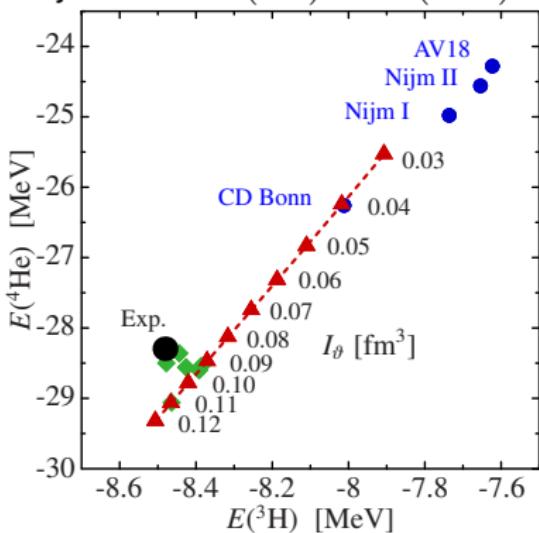


# Universality in $\not\! EFT$

Phillips Line:  $a_{nd}$  vs  $B(^3H)$



Tjon Line:  $B(^3H)$  vs  $B(^4He)$

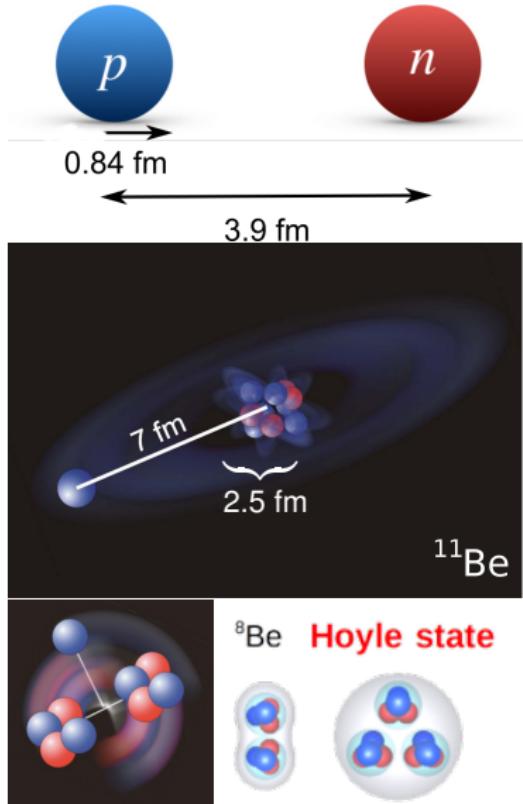


- $\not\! EFT$  indicates universal correlations among few-body observables
- long-range (low-energy) physics is insensitive to details of short-range interactions

# Nuclear halo and cluster

few-body molecular structure

- $^2\text{H}$
- simplest neutron halo
- neutron halos
  - $^6\text{He}, ^{11}\text{Be}, \dots$
- proton halos
  - $^{17}\text{F}^*, ^8\text{B}$
- $\alpha$ -clustering
  - $^9\text{Be}: \alpha + \alpha + n$
  - $^8\text{Be}, ^{12}\text{C}^*$

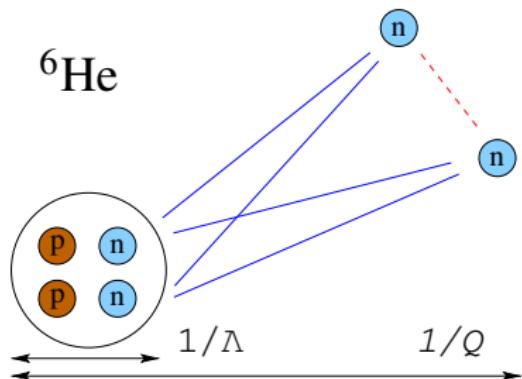


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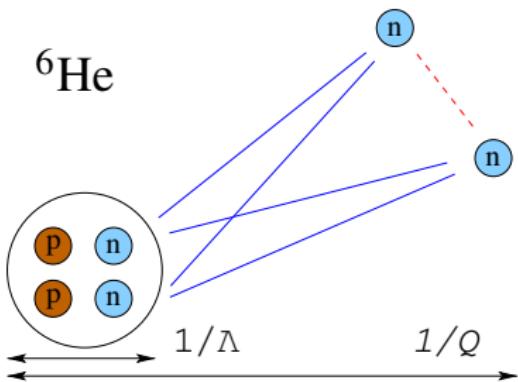
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halo physics is difficult for ab initio theories

- continuum problem in many-body calculations  
NCSMC, GSM-Bergren, Lattice-EFT, LIT, ...
- uncertainty control in chiral potentials  
threshold observable converges slower in  $\chi$ EFT

halo scale :  $Q_{\text{halo}} \ll Q_{\chi\text{EFT}} \approx (2M_N B/A)^{1/2}$

uncertainty :  $\Delta_{\text{halo}} \% \approx \frac{Q_{\chi\text{EFT}}}{Q_{\text{halo}}} \left( \frac{Q_{\chi\text{EFT}}}{\Lambda_{\chi\text{EFT}}} \right)^{(n+1)}$



# ab initio description of halo features

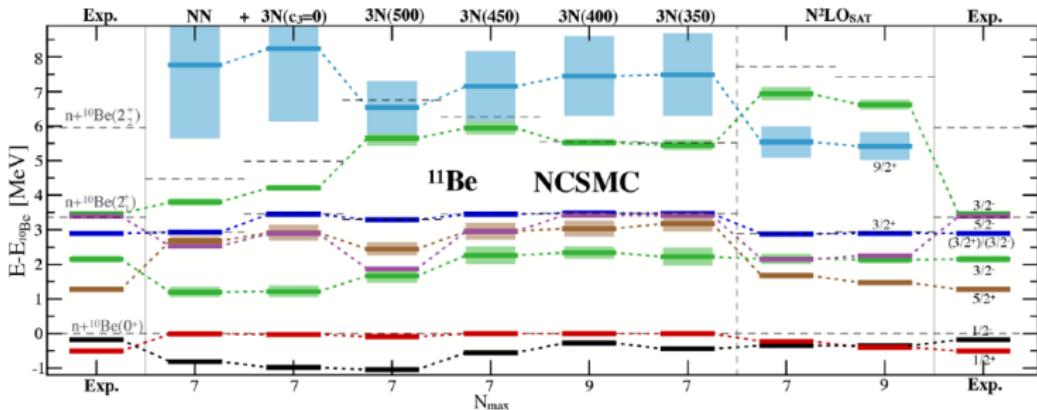
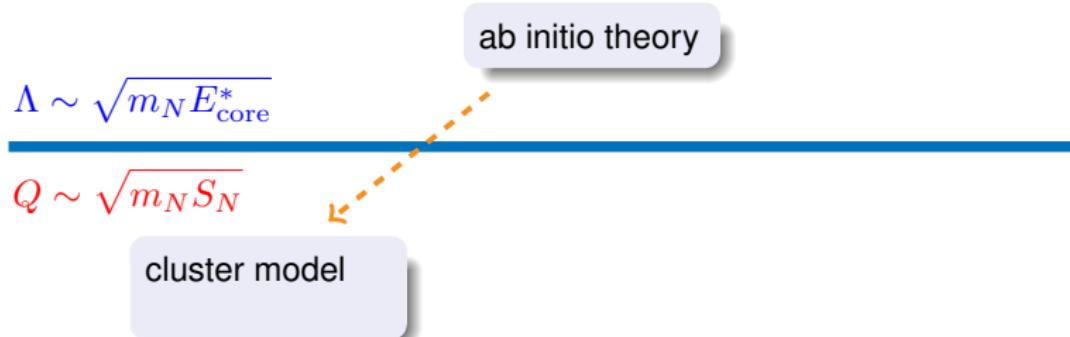


FIG. 2. NCSMC spectrum of  $^{11}\text{Be}$  with respect to the  $n + ^{10}\text{Be}$  threshold. Dashed black lines indicate the energies of the  $^{10}\text{Be}$  states. Light boxes indicate resonance widths. Experimental energies are taken from Refs. [1,51].

- ab initio calculation of  $^{11}\text{Be}$  has been done by NCSMC
- predictions of threshold properties rely significantly on the nuclear interactions

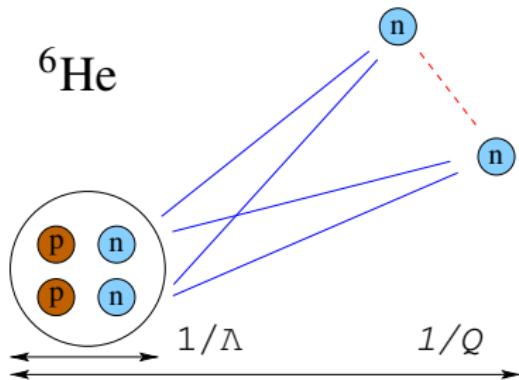
Calci et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 117 (2016) 242501

# Halo physics near clustering threshold



difficulties in cluster models:

- assess model dependence?
- assign theory uncertainty



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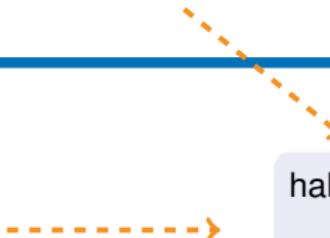
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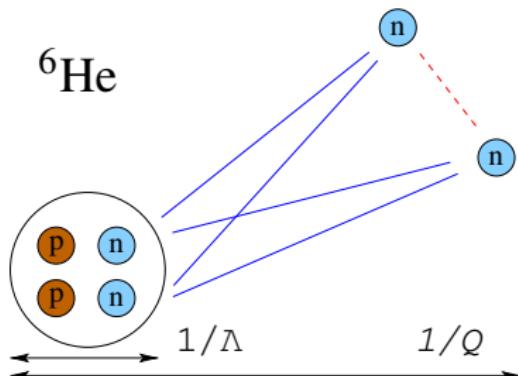
ab initio theory

cluster model

halo EFT



- cluster configuration in halo EFT:  
core + valence nucleons d.o.f.
- separation of scales:  
 $Q \ll \Lambda \rightarrow$  systematic expansion in observables
- short-range physics from underlying theory:  
anti-symmetrization of core nucleons is embedded  
in contact interactions



# Halo Effective Field Theory

- We adopt EFT with contact interactions to describe clustering in halo nuclei
- introduce auxiliary two-body fields for bound/resonance states

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_1 + \mathcal{L}_2 + \mathcal{L}_3$$

$$\mathcal{L}_1 = n^\dagger \left( i\partial_0 + \frac{\nabla^2}{2m_n} \right) n + c^\dagger \left( i\partial_0 + \frac{\nabla^2}{2m_c} \right) c$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_2 = & s^\dagger \left[ \eta_0 \left( i\partial_0 + \frac{\nabla^2}{4m_n} \right) + \Delta_0 \right] s + \sigma^\dagger \left[ \eta_1 \left( i\partial_0 + \frac{\nabla^2}{2(m_n + m_c)} \right) + \Delta_1 \right] \sigma \\ & + g_0 [s^\dagger(nn) + \text{h.c.}] + g_1 [\sigma^\dagger(nc) + \text{h.c.}], \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_3 = h (\sigma n)^\dagger (\sigma n)$$

- 2-body contact (LO)


$$= -i\sqrt{2}g$$

$g \leftarrow$  2-body observable

- 3-body contact (LO)

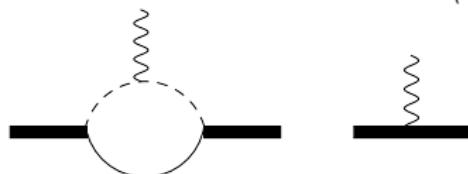

$$= ih$$

$h \leftarrow$  3-body observable

# One-neutron s-wave halos

	$^2\text{H}$	$^{11}\text{Be}$	$^{15}\text{C}$	$^{19}\text{C}$
<b>Experiment</b>				
$S_{1n}$ [MeV]	2.224573(2)	0.50164(25)	1.2181(8)	0.58(9)
$E_c^*$ [MeV]	140	3.36803(3)	6.0938(2)	1.62(2)
$\langle r_{nc}^2 \rangle^{1/2}$ [fm]	3.936(12)	6.05(23)	4.15(50)	6.6(5)
	3.95014(156)	5.7(4)	7.2±4.0	6.8(7)
		5.77(16)	4.5(5)	5.8(3)
<b>Halo EFT</b>				
$Q/\Lambda$	0.33	0.39	0.45	0.6
$r_0/a_0$	0.32	0.32	0.43	0.33
$\sqrt{\mathcal{Z}_R}$	1.295	1.3	1.63	1.3
$\langle r_{nc}^2 \rangle^{1/2}$ [fm]	3.954	6.85	4.93	5.72

Electric form factor → radius  $\langle r_{nc}^2 \rangle^{1/2}$

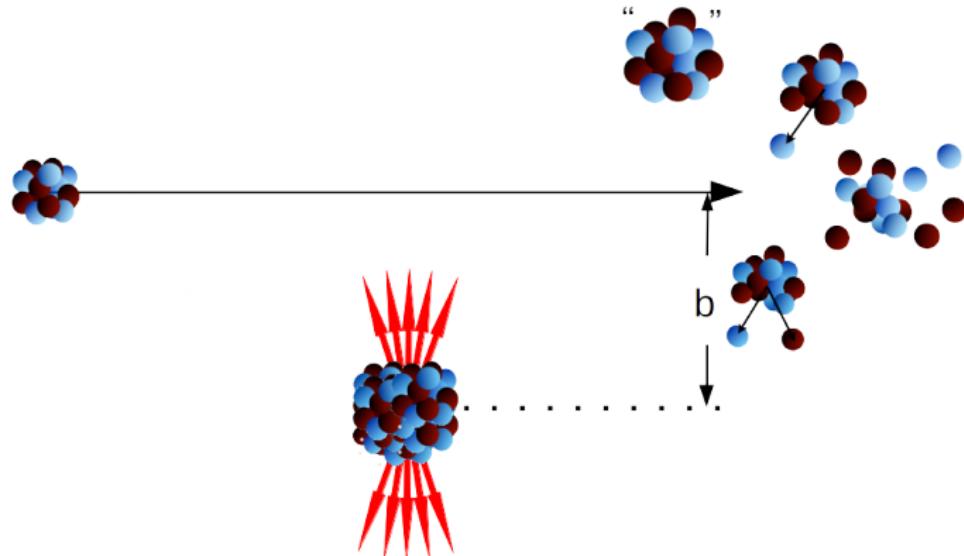


$$F_{nc}(q^2) = \mathcal{Z}_R \frac{2\gamma_0}{q} \arctan\left(\frac{q}{2\gamma_0}\right) + 1 - \mathcal{Z}_R$$

$$F_{nc}(q^2) = 1 - \frac{1}{6} \langle r_{nc}^2 \rangle q^2 + \mathcal{O}(q^4),$$

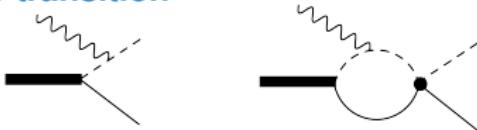
# Coulomb dissociation in $1n$ halos

- Coulomb dissociation
  - breakup by colliding a halo nucleus with a high-Z nucleus
  - the halo dynamics dominates when  $E_\gamma \sim S_{1n}$

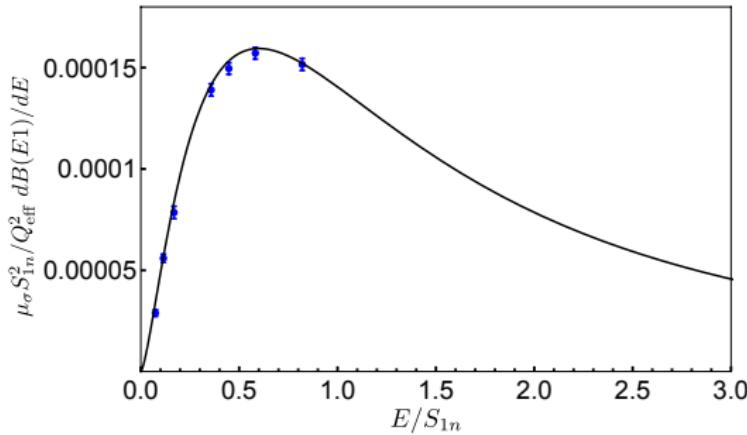


# EFT on Coulomb dissociation

- E1 transition



$$\frac{dB(E1)}{dE_\gamma} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \left( |\mathcal{M}_{E1}^{(J=1/2)}|^2 + |\mathcal{M}_{E1}^{(J=3/2)}|^2 \right) \frac{d^3 p}{dE_\gamma} = \frac{\mathcal{Z}_R Q_{\text{eff}}^2}{\mu_{nc} S_{1n}^2} \frac{3\alpha_{em}}{\pi^2} \frac{(E_\gamma/S_{1n})^{3/2}}{(E_\gamma/S_{1n} + 1)^4}.$$

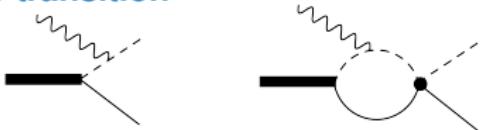


deuteron E1 strength

Hammer, CJ, Phillips, JPG 44 (2017) 103002

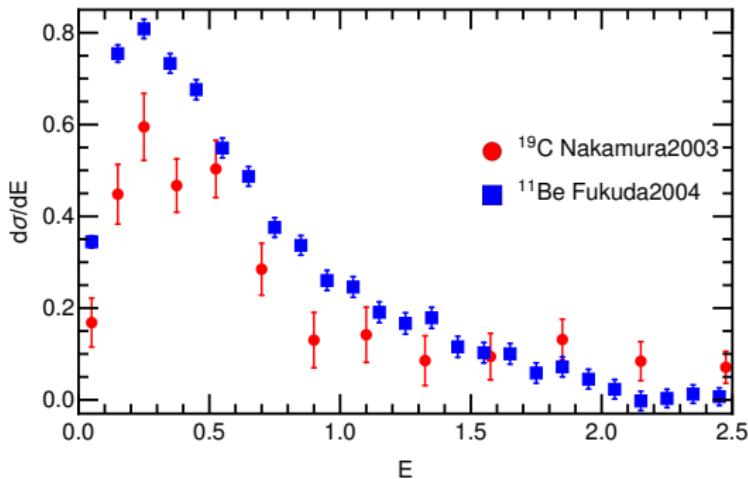
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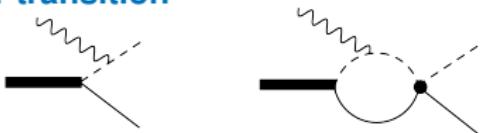
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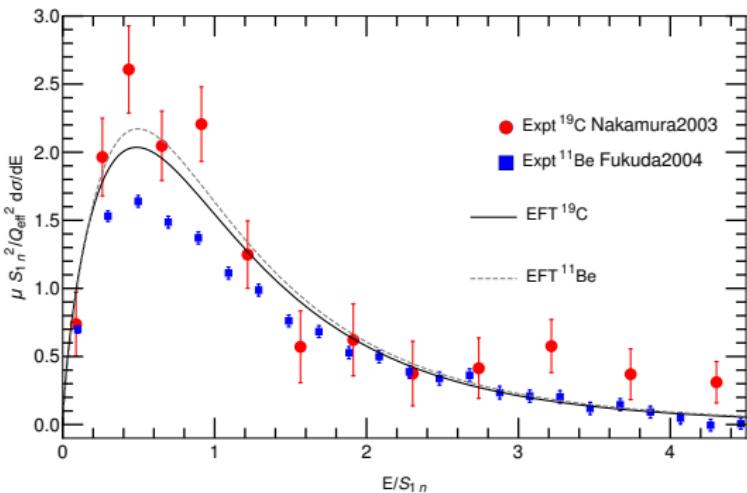
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Coulomb dissociation energy spectrum in  $^{11}\text{Be}$  and  $^{19}\text{C}$  → Universality!

$^{11}\text{Be}$ : fit ANC in NCSMC [Calci et al. '16]

Hammer, Phillips, NPA '11

Acharya, Phillips, NPA '13

Hammer, CJ, Phillips, JPG '17

# $^6\text{He}$ : $2n$ Halo with p-wave $nc$ interactions

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- *ab initio* calculation

- no-core shell model Navrátil *et al.* '01; Sääf, Forssén '14
- NCSM-RGM/Continuum Romero *et al.* '14 '16
- Green's function Monte Carlo Pieper *et al.* '01; '08
- hyperspherical harmonics (EIHH) Bacca *et al.* '12

- Halo EFT in  $^6\text{He}$  ground state

- EFT+Gamow shell model (GSM) Rotureau, van Kolck Few Body Syst. '13
- EFT+Faddeev equation C.J., Elster, Phillips, PRC '14;  
Göbel, Hammer, CJ, Phillips, Few Body Syst. 60 (2019) 61

- $^{6-10}\text{He}$  effective interaction + GSM Fossez, Rotureau, Nazarewicz, PRC '18

# P-wave neutron halos

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- nc interaction in a p-wave bound/resonance state

$$\begin{array}{c} n \\ \alpha \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \\ \searrow \end{array} = \frac{2\pi}{\mu} \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q}}{-1/a_1 + r_1 k^2/2 - ik^3}$$

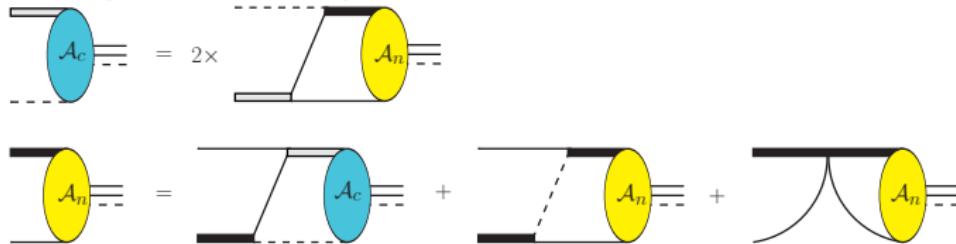
- $a_1 < 0$ : shallow resonance:  ${}^5\text{He}$  ( $3/2^-$ )
- $a_1 > 0$ : shallow bound state:  ${}^{11}\text{Be}$  ( $1/2^-$ ),  ${}^8\text{Li}$  ( $2^+$ ),  ${}^8\text{Li}^*$  ( $1^+$ )

- p-wave power counting

- resum  $ik^3$ :  $1/a_1 \sim Q^3$ ,  $r_1 \sim Q$  [Bertulani, Hammer, van Kolck NPA '02]
- perturbative  $ik^3$ :  $1/a_1 \sim Q^2 \Lambda$ ,  $r_1 \sim \Lambda$  [Bedaque, Hammer, van Kolck PLB '03]

# $2n$ halos in Faddeev formalism

- solving transition amplitudes  $\mathcal{A}_c$  and  $\mathcal{A}_n$



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- three-body wave functions

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Three diagrams representing the three-body wave function  $\Psi_n(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q})$ . Each diagram shows two horizontal lines (momentum  $\mathbf{p}$ ) and two vertical lines (momentum  $\mathbf{q}$ ). The first diagram has a dashed line above the top line. The second diagram has a dashed line below the bottom line. The third diagram has a dashed line above the top line.

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# Momentum-space probability density

- completeness in energy-dependent hamiltonian

$$1 = \sum_{\alpha} |\psi_{\alpha}\rangle \langle \langle \psi_{\alpha}| = \sum_{\alpha} |\psi_{\alpha}\rangle \langle \psi_{\alpha}| D^{-1}$$

$$\langle \psi_{\alpha} | D^{-1} \approx \langle \psi_{\alpha} | \sqrt{1 - V'(E_{\alpha})}$$

- The probability density:

$$\rho_i(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) = {}_i \langle \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q} | \Psi \rangle$$

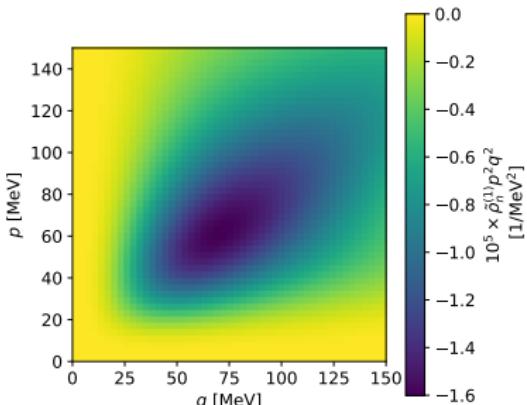
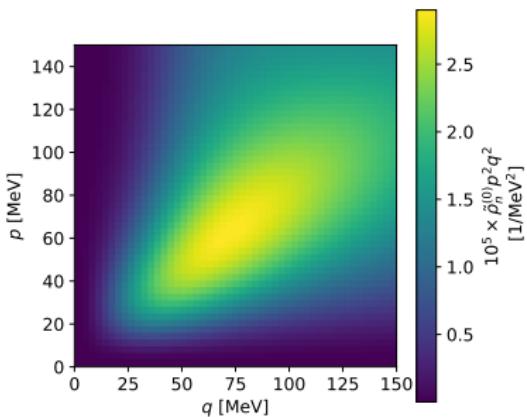
$$\left[ \langle \Psi | \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q} \rangle_i - \text{Re} \sum_j \langle \Psi | V'_j (E_{\alpha} - \frac{q_j^2}{2\mu_{j(ki)}}) | \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q} \rangle_i \right]$$

- $\ell$ th moment (partial-wave decomposition)

$$\rho_i^{(l)}(p, q) = \int_{-1}^1 d(\hat{p} \cdot \hat{q}) P_{\ell}(\hat{p} \cdot \hat{q}) \rho_i(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q})$$

- $\rho_n^{(0)}(p, q)$  and  $\rho_n^{(1)}(p, q)$

Göbel, Hammer, CJ, Phillips, Few Body Syst. 60 (2019)



# Unconventional momentum-dependent $n\alpha$ interaction

- If  $a_0 \sim r_0 \sim Q^{-1}$  in s-wave interaction, we need to tune both  $a_0$  and  $r_0$  at LO

$$V_0(p, p') = -\frac{2\pi}{\mu} \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{p'^2 + 2\mu\Delta} \sqrt{p^2 + 2\mu\Delta}}$$

Peng, Lyu, König, Long (2021), PRC 105, 054002 (2022); Beane, Farrell, FBS 63, 45 (2022); van Kolck, Symmetry 14, 1884 (2022)

- For  $n\alpha$  p-wave interaction, both  $a_1$  and  $r_1$  are at LO

$$V_1(p, p') = -\frac{2\pi}{\mu} \frac{\lambda pp'}{\sqrt{p'^2 + 2\mu\Delta} \sqrt{p^2 + 2\mu\Delta}}$$

- on-shell t-matrix:

$$T^{(0)}(k, k; k) = -\frac{2\pi}{\mu} \frac{k^2}{-\frac{1}{a_1} + \frac{1}{2}r_1k^2 - ik^3} \quad V(E) : k^2 \rightarrow pp'$$

→ resonance + spurious pole

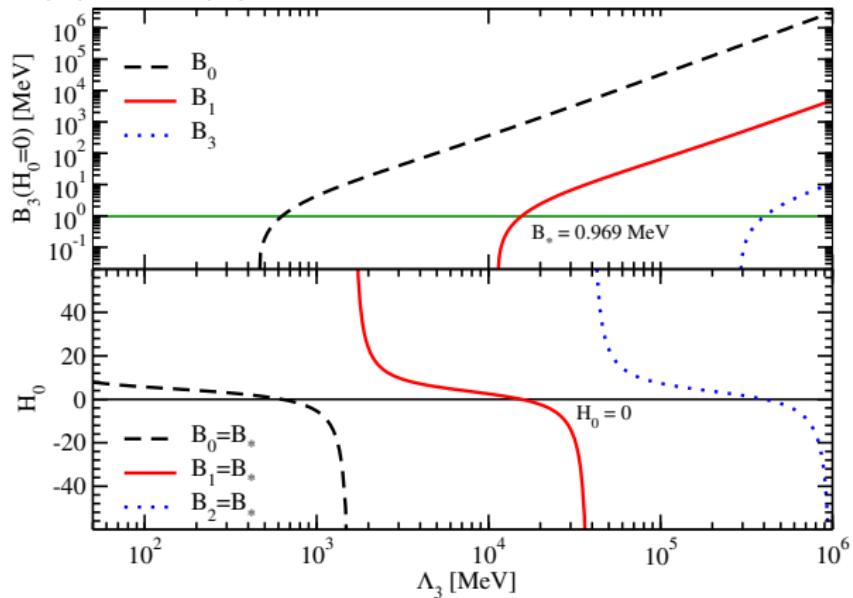
- off-shell t-matrix:

$$T_1(p', p; k) = -\frac{2\pi}{\mu} \frac{p'}{\sqrt{p'^2 + \gamma^2}} \frac{ik - \gamma}{k^2 + i(\gamma + \frac{r_1}{2})k + \frac{1}{a_1\gamma}} \frac{p}{\sqrt{p^2 + \gamma^2}}$$

$$\gamma + \frac{r_1}{2} + a_1^{-1}\gamma^{-2} = 0 \quad \text{spurious pole vanishes}$$

# Unconventional $n\alpha$ interaction in ${}^6\text{He}$

- Implementing unconventional p-wave potential in  $nn\alpha$  system
- Running of  $H(\Lambda)$  and  $B(\Lambda)$

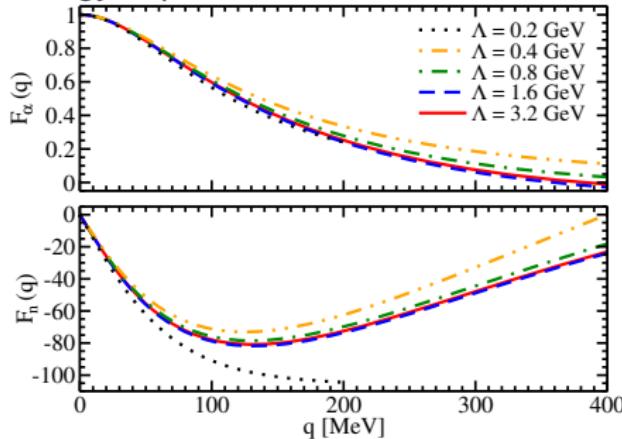


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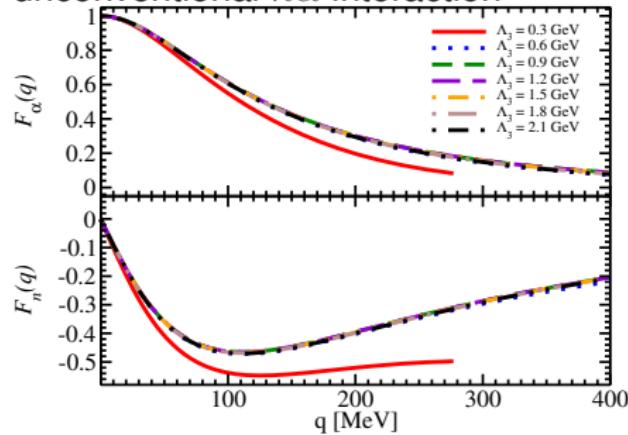
# Unconventional $n\alpha$ interaction in $^6\text{He}$

- Implementing unconventional p-wave potential in  $nna$  system
- Running of  $H(\Lambda)$  and  $B(\Lambda)$
- Faster cutoff convergence of Faddeev components with unconventional potential

energy-dependent  $n\alpha$  interaction

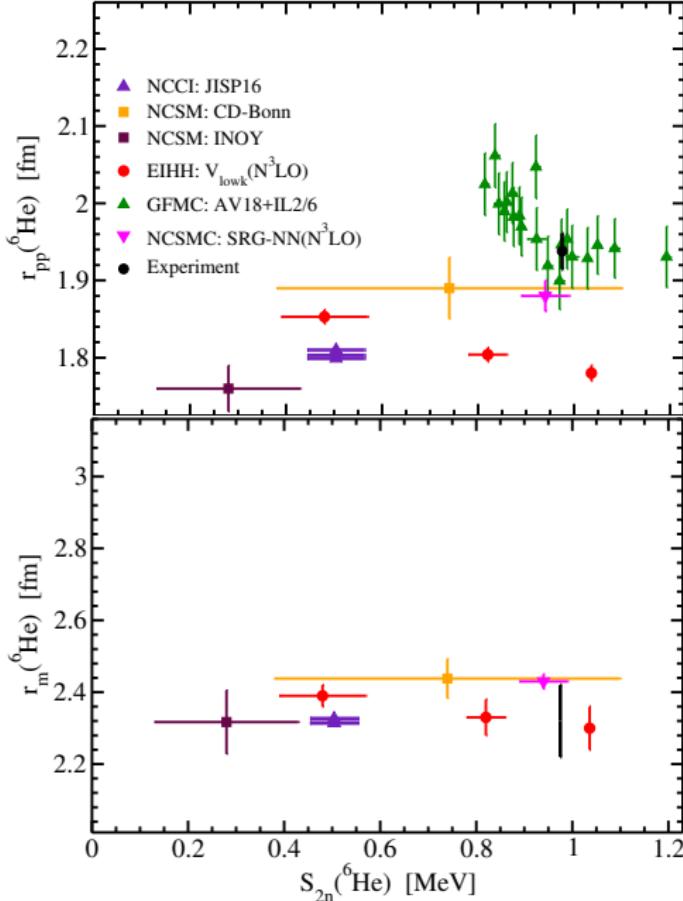


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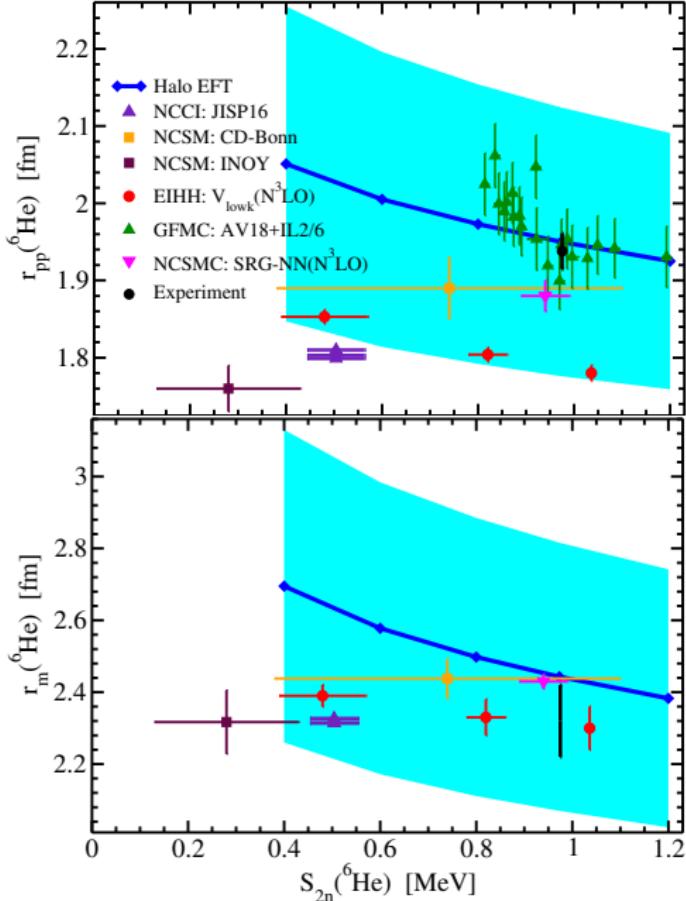
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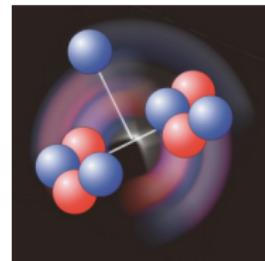
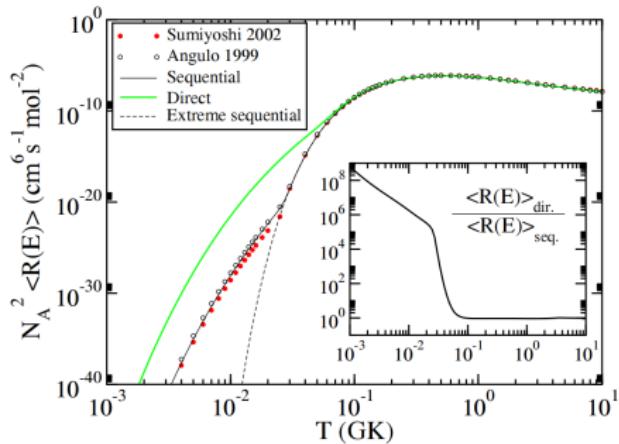
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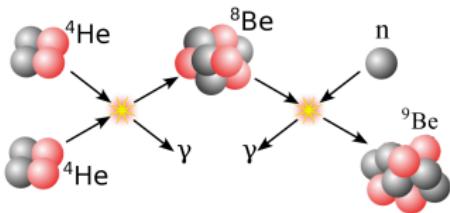
# $\alpha$ -clustering in nuclei

## $^9\text{Be}$ $\alpha - \alpha - n$ Borromean structure

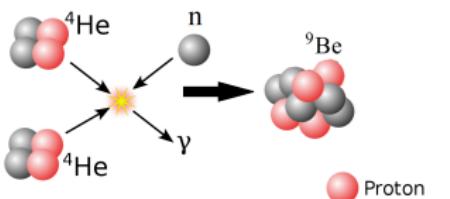
- Formation of  $^9\text{Be}$  strongly influences r-process nucleosynthesis in neutron-rich environment
- $\alpha$ -clustering drives  $^9\text{Be}$ 's fusion mechanism:
  - sequential:  $\alpha + \alpha \rightleftharpoons ^8\text{Be}(n, \gamma)^9\text{Be}$
  - direct:  $\alpha(\alpha n, \gamma)^9\text{Be}$
- reaction rate of  $^9\text{Be}$  formation is sensitive to fusion mechanism



Sequential



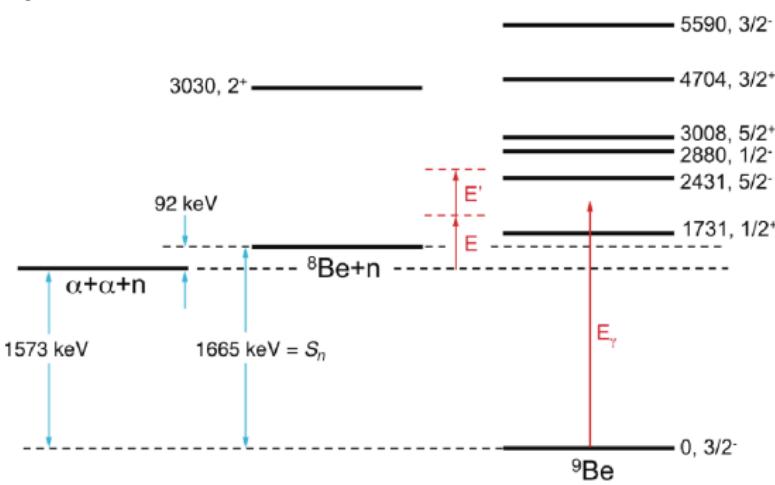
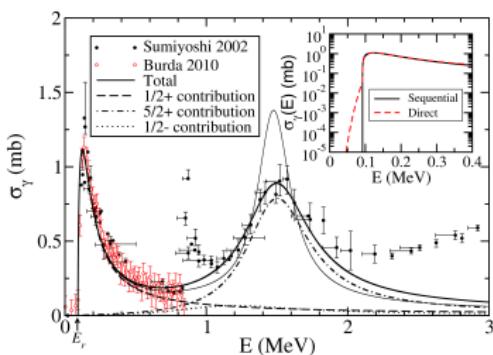
Direct



Proton  
Gamma ray  $\gamma$   
Neutron

# $^9\text{Be}$ photodisintegration

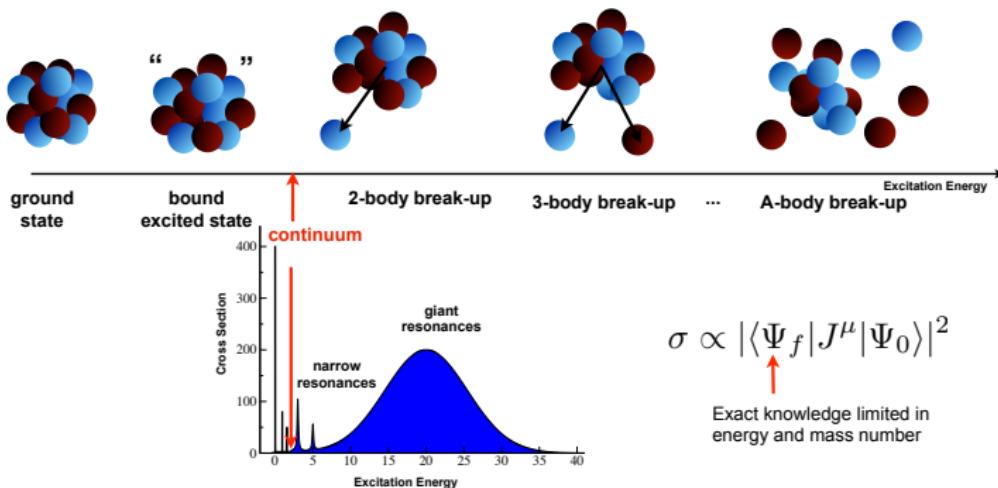
- direct measurement of  $^9\text{Be}$  formation: difficult
- indirect measurement: photodisintegration (inverse process)
  - 1/2+ resonance: difficult to separate two- and three-body breakup
  - 1/2+ resonance is close to  $^8\text{Be}$  resonance
  - requires accurate theoretical analysis



Garrido, et al., EPJA 47 (2011) 102

# $^9\text{Be}$ photodisintegration in Halo EFT at NLO

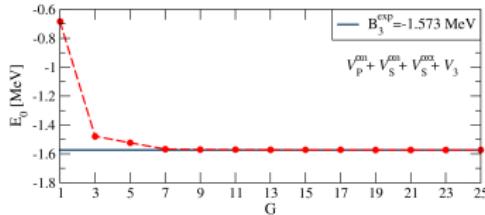
- construct  $\alpha$ - $\alpha$  and  $n$ - $\alpha$  interaction from halo EFT
- calculate  $\alpha\alpha n$  quantum three-body problem:
  - hyperspherical harmonics expansion
- calculate photoabsorption cross section
  - Lorentz integral transform **continuum** → bound-state



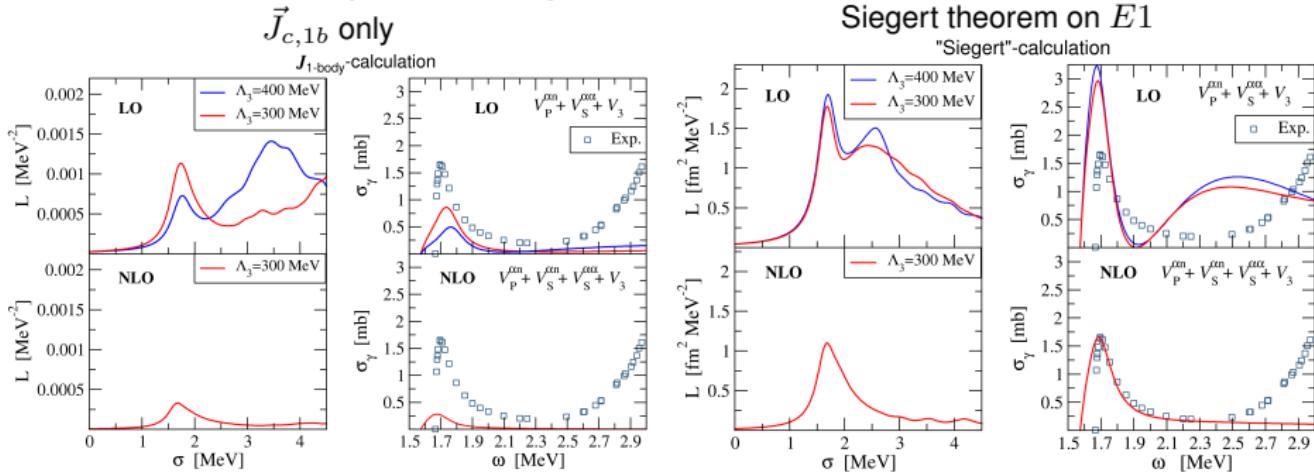
Capitani, Filandri, CJ, Orlandini, Leidemann

# $^9\text{Be}$ photodisintegration in Halo EFT

- $B_3$  of  $^9\text{Be}$  converges when expanding the model space



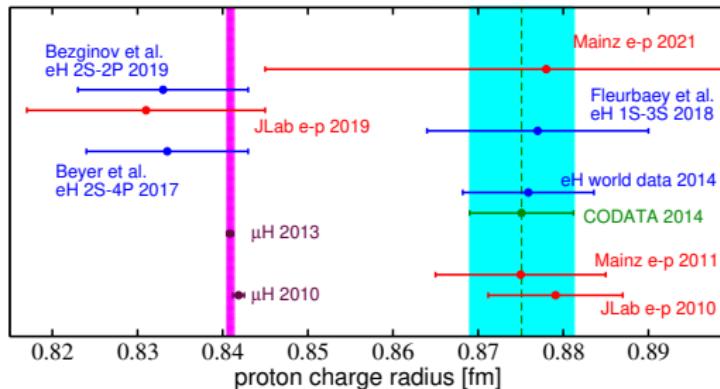
- EFT calculation of photo-disintegration cross section



See Ylenia Capitani's Poster

# Proton radius and related experiments

- The proton radius puzzle has motivated many new experiments



- proton radius
  - ep scattering (JLab, Mainz, Tohoku U.)
  - $\mu p$  scattering (PSI-MUSE)
  - H spectroscopy (MPQ, LKB, York U.)
  - hyperfine splitting in  $\mu H$  (PSI, RIKEN)
- nuclear radius
  - Lamb shift in  $\mu^2 H$ ,  $\mu^{3,4} He^+$  (PSI-CREMA)
  - hyperfine splitting in  $\mu^2 H$ ,  $\mu^3 He^+$  (PSI-CREMA)

# Two-photon exchange contributions to Lamb shift

- Lamb shift & Nuclear structure

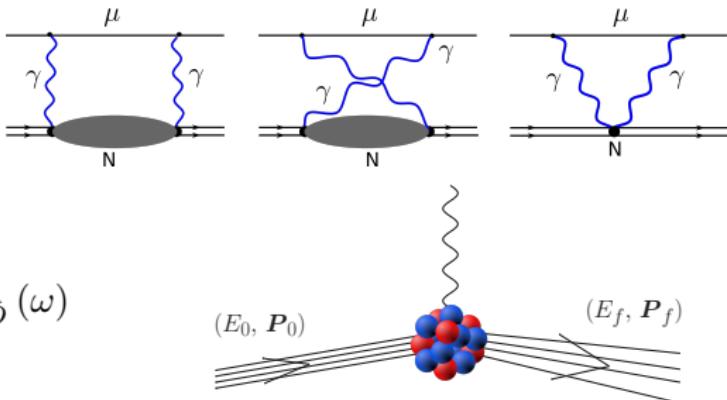
$$\delta E_{\text{LS}} = \delta_{\text{QED}} + \mathcal{A}_{\text{OPE}} R_E^2 + \delta_{\text{TPE}}$$

- $\delta_{\text{TPE}} \implies$  two-photon contributions

elastic: Zemach moment

$\delta_{\text{Zem}}$

inelastic: polarizability  $\delta_{\text{pol}}$



$$\delta_{\text{pol}} = \sum_{g, S_{\hat{O}}} \int_{\omega_{th}}^{\infty} d\omega g(\omega) S_{\hat{O}}(\omega)$$

- $\chi$ EFT + EIHH calculations

CJ, Nevo-Dinur, Bacca, Barnea, [PRL 111 \(2013\) 143402](#)

Hernandez, CJ, Bacca, Nevo-Dinur, Barnea, [PLB 736 \(2014\) 344](#)

Nevo Dinur, CJ, Bacca, Barnea, [PLB 755 \(2016\) 380](#)

Hernandez, Ekström, Nevo Dinur, CJ, Bacca, Barnea, [PLB 788 \(2018\) 377](#)

CJ, Bacca, Barnea, Hernandez, Nevo-Dinur, [JPG 45 \(2018\) 093002](#)

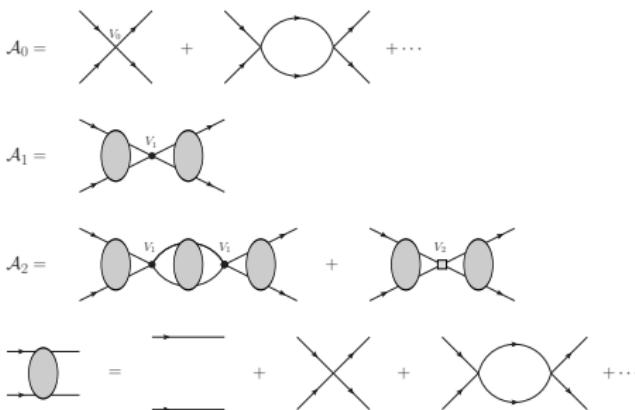
# TPE calculation within Pionless EFT framework

- Simple interactions
- Few input parameters:  $a_t, r_t$  at NNLO (5% accuracy)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & N^\dagger \left[ i\partial_0 + \frac{\nabla^2}{2M} \right] N - \textcolor{red}{C}_0 (N^T P_i N)^\dagger (N^T P_i N) \\ & + \frac{\textcolor{red}{C}_2}{8} \left[ (N^T P_i N)^\dagger (N^T \nabla^2 P_i N) + h.c. \right] - \frac{\textcolor{red}{C}_4}{16} (N^T \nabla^2 P_i N)^\dagger (N^T \nabla^2 P_i N) \end{aligned}$$

Kaplan, Savage, Wise, Nuclear Physics B 534 (1998) 329

- order-by-order calculation of np scattering t-matrix  $\mathcal{A}_n$



$$C_{0,-1} = -\frac{4\pi}{m_N} \frac{1}{(\mu - \gamma)},$$

$$C_{0,0} = \frac{2\pi}{m_N} \frac{\rho_d \gamma^2}{(\mu - \gamma)^2},$$

$$C_{0,1} = -\frac{\pi}{m_N} \frac{\rho_d^2 \gamma^4}{(\mu - \gamma)^3},$$

$$C_{2,-2} = \frac{2\pi}{m_N} \frac{\rho_d}{(\mu - \gamma)^2},$$

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$$C_{4,-3} = -\frac{\pi}{m_N} \frac{\rho_d^2}{(\mu - \gamma)^3},$$

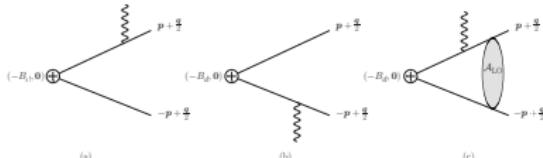
# Longitudinal polarizability & Lamb shift in $\mu^2 H$

- Longitudinal polarization dominates in  $\delta_{\text{pol}}$  correction to Lamb shift

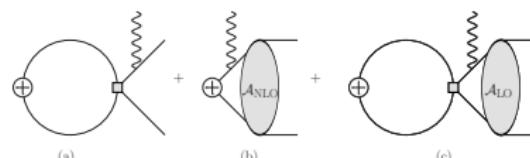
$$\delta_{\text{pol}} \propto \iint dq d\omega g(\omega, q) S_L(\omega, q)$$

- Longitudinal response function  $S_L(\omega, q)$  in  $\not\!\! EFT$

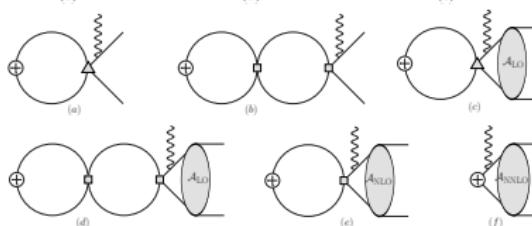
$S_L(\omega, q)$  (LO):



$S_L(\omega, q)$  (NLO):

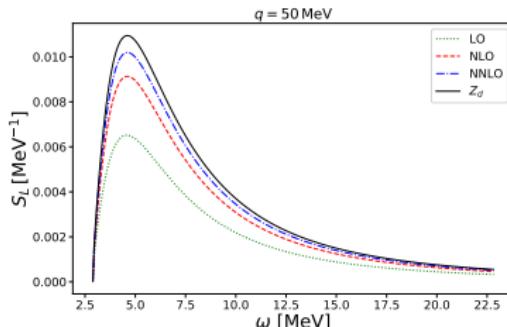
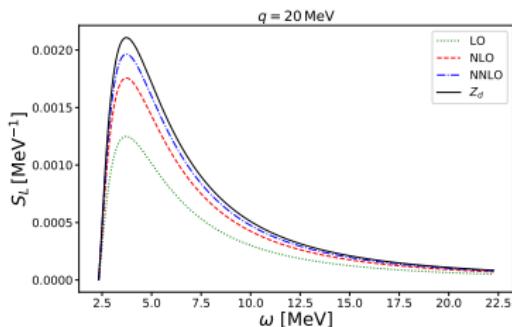


$S_L(\omega, q)$  (N2LO):



Emmons, CJ\*, Platter, J. Phys. G 48, 035101 (2021)

# Longitudinal polarizability & Lamb shift in $\mu^2\text{H}$



- response functions display an order-by-order convergence in  $\not{\pi}\text{EFT}$
- $\delta_{\text{pol}}$  at NNLO in  $\not{\pi}\text{EFT}$  is consistent with calculations using  $\chi\text{EFT}$  interactions

$\delta_{\text{pol}}$	NR kernel	R kernel
$\not{\pi}\text{EFT}$	-1.605	-1.574
$\chi\text{EFT}$	-1.590	-1.560

Emmons, [CJ\\*](#), Platter, J. Phys. G 48, 035101 (2021)

$\delta_{\text{pol}}$  at  $N^3\text{LO}$  in  $\not{\pi}\text{EFT}$ :

Lensky, Hagelstein, Pascalutsa,

PLB 835 (2022) 137500; EPJA 58 (2022) 224

# TPE contribution to hyperfine splittings in $e^2\text{H}$ and $\mu^2\text{H}$

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- Theory prediction of TPE corrections to HFS in  $e^2\text{H}$  agrees with  $\nu_{\text{exp}} - \nu_{\text{QED}}$
- Theory prediction of TPE corrections to HFS in  $\mu^2\text{H}$  disagrees with  $\nu_{\text{exp}} - \nu_{\text{QED}}$

$e^2\text{H} \ 1\text{S} \ E_{HFS}(2\gamma) \ [\text{kHz}]$	
$\nu_{\text{exp}} - \nu_{\text{qed}}$	45 [1]
Faustov 2004	-47
Khriplovich 2004	50
Friar 2005	46

$\mu^2\text{H} \ 2\text{S} \ E_{HFS}(2\gamma) \ [\text{meV}]$	
$\nu_{\text{exp}} - \nu_{\text{qed}}$	0.0966(73) [2]
Kalinowski 2018	0.0383

[1] Wineland, Ramsey, PRA (1972)

[2] Pohl et al., Science (2016)

# TPE effects on HFS in $\not\equiv$ EFT

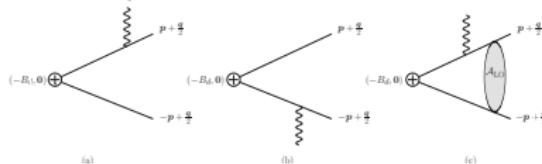
- response functions involved

$$S_0(\omega, q) = \frac{1}{q^2} \text{Im} \sum_{N \neq N_0} \int \frac{d\hat{q}}{4\pi} \langle N_0 II | [\vec{q} \times \vec{J}_m^\dagger(\vec{q})]_3 | N \rangle \langle N | \rho(\vec{q}) | N_0 II \rangle \delta(\omega - \omega_N)$$

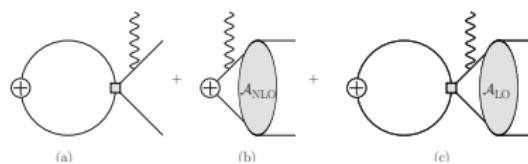
$$S_1(\omega, q) = \text{Im} \sum_{N \neq N_0} \int \frac{d\hat{q}}{4\pi} \epsilon^{3jk} \langle N_0 II | \vec{J}_{m,j}^\dagger(\vec{q}) | N \rangle \langle N | \vec{J}_{c,k}(\vec{q}) | N_0 II \rangle | N_0 II \rangle \delta(\omega - \omega_N)$$

- $\rho_E$ ,  $\vec{J}_c$ ,  $\vec{J}_m$  all contribute to this problem

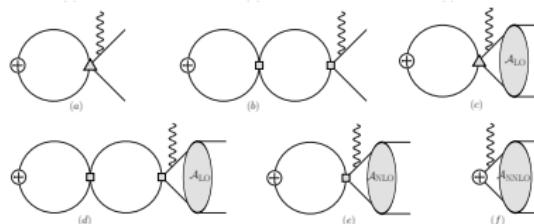
$S_{0,1}(\omega, q)$  (LO):



$S_{0,1}(\omega, q)$  (NLO):



$S_{0,1}(\omega, q)$  (N2LO):

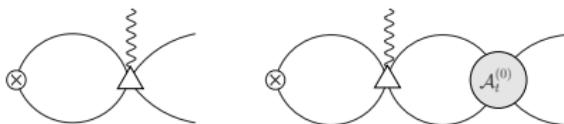


# TPE effects on HFS in $\not\! EFT$

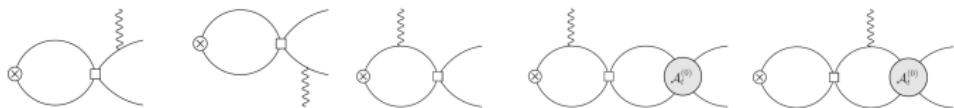
- two-nucleon current in  $\not\! EFT$

$$\mathcal{L}_{2,B} = -ieL_2 \epsilon_{ijk} \left( N^T P_i N \right)^\dagger \left( N^T P_j N \right) B_k + \text{h.c.}$$

$S_{0,1}(\omega, q)$  (NLO):



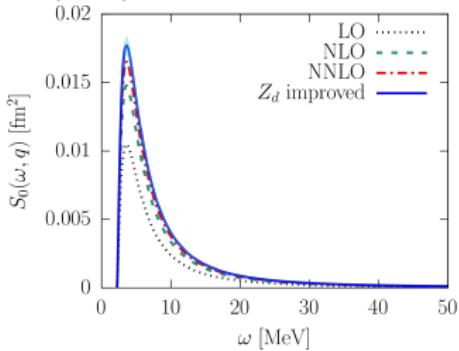
- np  $S-D$  mixing (N2LO)



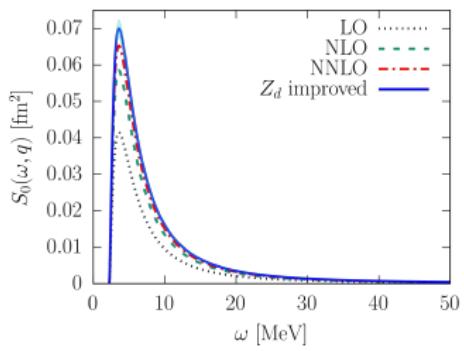
CJ, Zhang, Platter, in progress

# $S_0(\omega, q)$ in $\neq$ EFT

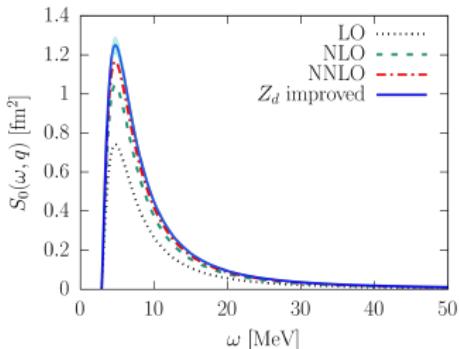
- $S_0(\omega, q)$  display order-by-order convergence



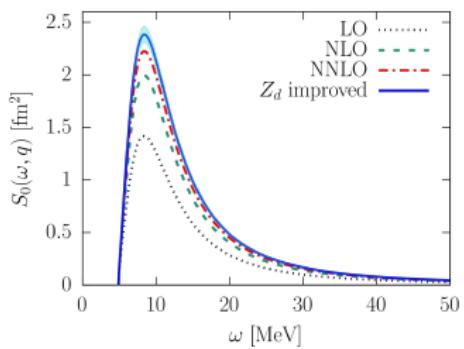
(a)  $q = 5$  MeV



(b)  $q = 10$  MeV



(c)  $q = 50$  MeV

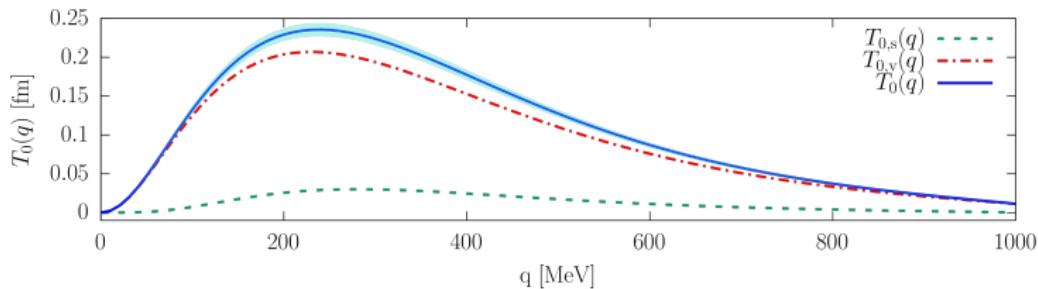


(d)  $q = 100$  MeV

# $S_0(\omega, q)$ in $\not\equiv$ EFT

- $S_0(\omega, q)$  is dominated by the iso-vector part ( $E1 \times M2$  transition)
- introduce a “conceptual” transition form factor

$$T_0(q) = \int d\omega S_0(\omega, q)$$



[CJ, Zhang, Platter, in progress](#)

Extending to  $\chi$ EFT: Thomas Richardson's talk

# Summary

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- Effective field theory comes with limited powers determined by  $Q$  and  $\Lambda$ , different EFTs are efficient at different energy regimes
- Development of Pionless EFT and Halo EFT provides many tools to tackle low-energy few-body structure and reaction physics
- Halo EFT
  - describes near-threshold physics in a controlled expansion of  $Q/\Lambda$
  - rejuvenates cluster models with a systematic uncertainty estimates
  - can be combined with *ab initio* calculations
  - helps to understand nucleosynthesis in astrophysical processes
- Pionless EFT
  - provides accurate description of low-energy physics ( $Q \ll m_\pi$ ) in few-nucleon systems
  - is extended to study nuclear structure effects to atomic spectrum, which is crucial for the determination of nuclear radii