

# Polarizability Contribution to the Hyperfine Splitting in Muonic Deuterium

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# Why Muonic Atoms?

- ❖ Muon 200 times heavier than electron—smaller Bohr radius

- ❖ Precision probe of nuclear electroweak structure

- ❖ Possible window into new physics beyond the Standard Model at the precision frontier

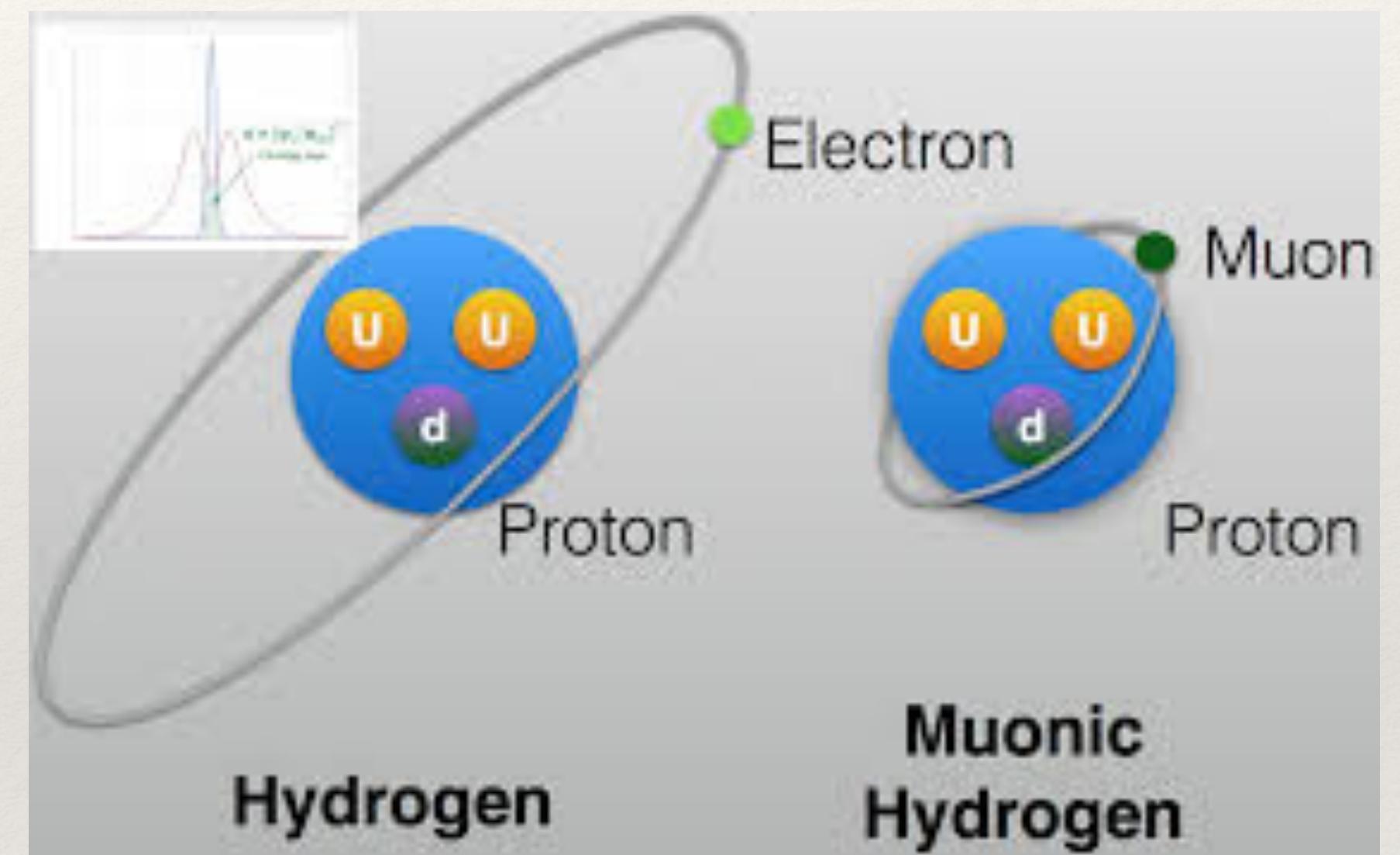


Fig: H. Gao

# Experimental Effort—Hyperfine Splitting

- ❖ HFS probes the magnetic structure of the nucleus
- ❖  $\mu\text{H}$ —CREMA, FAMU, J-PARC
- ❖  $\mu\text{D}$ —CREMA (Pohl et al. Science 353)
- ❖  $\mu^3\text{He}^+$ —CREMA, J-PARC

RIKEN-RAL, UK



PSI, Switzerland

Japan



# Uncertainties in the HFS

- ❖ Uncertainty in energy levels dominated by nuclear structure

$$\Delta E_{\text{HFS}} = E_F (1 + \delta_{\text{QED}} + \delta_{\text{FS}} + \delta_{\text{pol}})$$

$$E_F = \frac{4\pi\alpha\mu_N}{3m_\mu} |\phi_n(0)|^2 \frac{\sigma \cdot \mathbf{J}}{J}$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{FS}} = -2m_r Z\alpha E_F R_z$$

$$R_Z = \int d^3r d^3r' r \rho_E(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') \rho_M(\mathbf{r}')$$

- ❖ Polarizability contributions (inelastic nuclear excitations) start with two-photon exchange

Krauth et al., Annals 366; Pohl et al. Science 353; Kalinowski et al. PRA 98

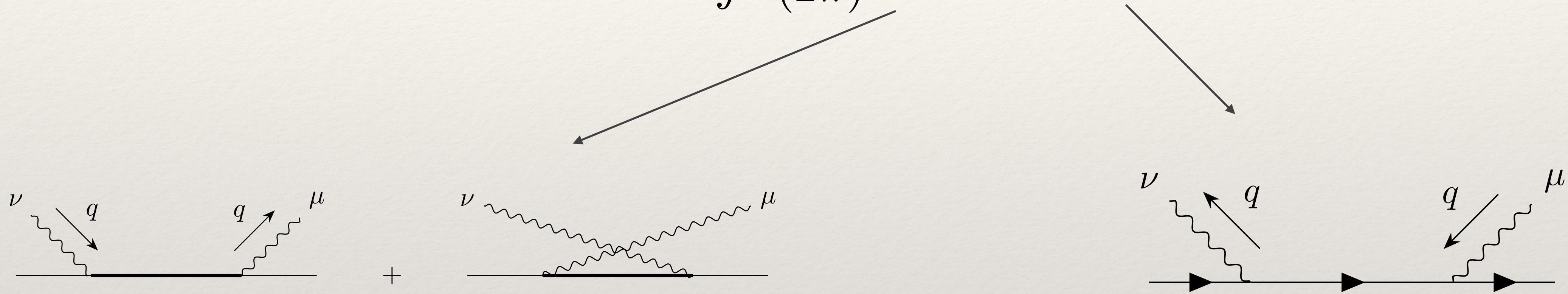
$$\begin{aligned}\Delta E_{\text{HFS}}(2S)_{\text{exp}} &= 6.2747(70)_{\text{stat}}(20)_{\text{syst}} \text{ meV} \\ \Delta E_{\text{HFS}}(2S)_{\text{theory}} &= 6.2791(50) \text{ meV}\end{aligned}$$

TABLE II: Nuclear structure corrections for hyperfine splitting of the  $1S$  and  $2S$  states of muonic deuterium, in meV. Numerical results are obtained with the AV18 potential [12].

Correction	$1S$	$2S$	Source
$\delta E_{\text{pol1}}$	-1.1007	-0.1376	Eq. (22)
$\delta E_{\text{pol2}}$	-0.0823	-0.0103	Eq. (25)
$\delta E_{\text{pol3}}$	0.1513	0.0189	Eq. (26)
$\delta E_{\text{pol4}}$	-0.1979	-0.0283	Eq. (30)
$\delta E_{\text{pol5}}$	-0.0327	-0.0041	Eq. (32)
$\delta E_{\text{pol}}$	-1.2623(631)	-0.1578(79)	Eq. (33)
$\delta E_{\text{1nucl}}$	-0.9450(224)	-0.1181(28)	Eq. (15)
$\delta E_{\text{Low}}$	2.566	0.3208	Eq. (14)
$\delta^{(1)} E_{\text{nucl}}$	0.3587(670)	0.0448(84)	Eq. (12)
$\delta^{(2)} E_{\text{nucl}}$	-0.0547(137)	-0.0065(16)	Eq. (77)
$\delta E_{\text{nucl, theo}}$	0.304(68)	0.0383(86)	Eq. (8)
$\delta E_{\text{nucl, exp}}$		0.0966(73)	Eq. (7)
difference		0.0583(113)	

# Polarizability from Two Photon Exchange

$$\Delta E_{2\gamma} = i(4\pi\alpha)^2 |\phi_n(0)| \int \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^4} T^{\mu\nu}(q) L^{\rho\tau}(q) D_{\mu\rho}(q) D_{\nu\tau}(q)$$



$$T^{\mu\nu}(q) = \sum_{N \neq N_0} \langle N_0 | \frac{J^\mu(-\mathbf{q})|N\rangle\langle N|J^\nu(\mathbf{q})}{q_0 - \omega_N + i\epsilon} - \frac{J^\nu(\mathbf{q})|N\rangle\langle N|J^\mu(-\mathbf{q})}{q_0 + \omega_N - i\epsilon} |N_0\rangle$$

$$L^{\mu\nu} = (ie)^2 \bar{u}_r(k) \gamma^\mu \frac{q + k + m_\mu}{(q + k)^2 - m_\mu^2 + i\epsilon} \gamma^\nu u_s(k)$$

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# Hyperfine Splitting

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Friar and Payne, PLB 618, PRC 72

- ❖ Contained in spin-dependent (antisymmetric) part of lepton tensor

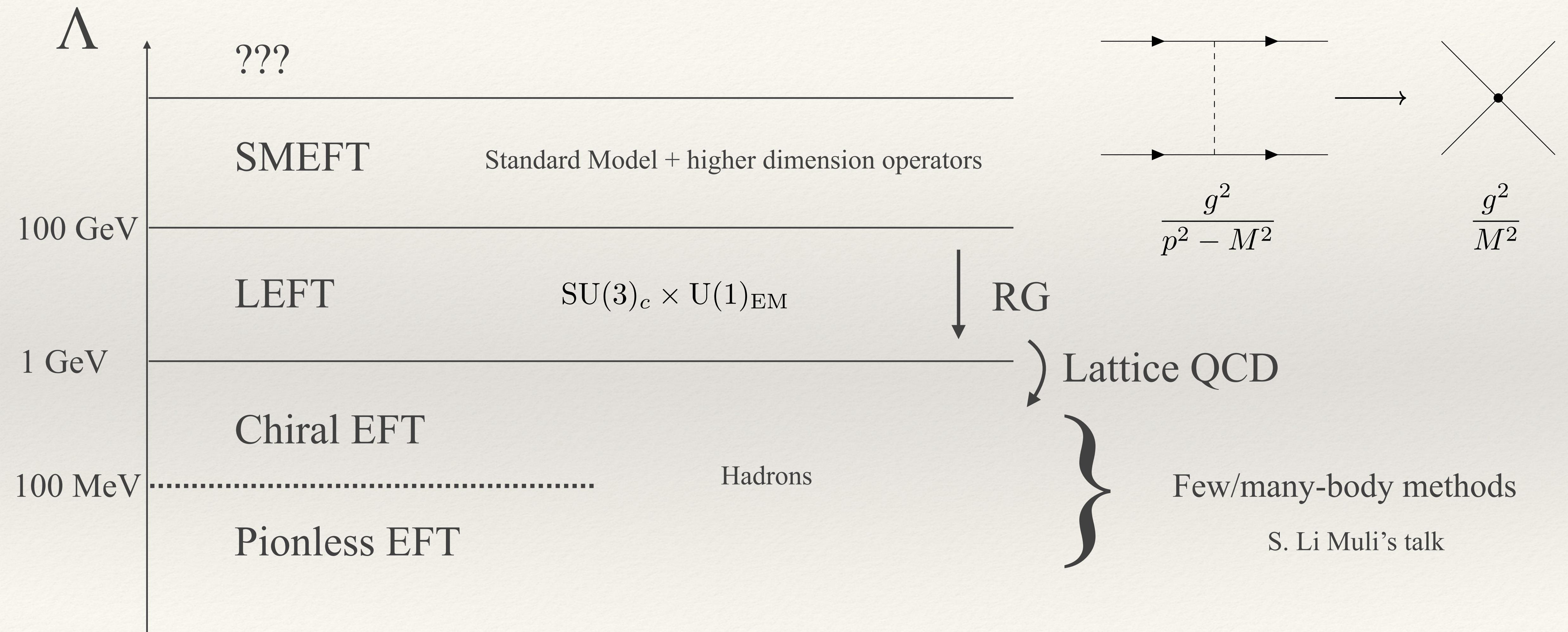
$$\Delta E_{2\gamma, \text{HFS}} = -(4\pi\alpha)^2 |\phi_n(0)|^2 \epsilon^{ijk} \sigma^k \int \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{(q^2 + i\epsilon)^2} \frac{1}{q^2 - 2mq_0 + i\epsilon} [(T^{0i} - T^{i0}) q^j + T^{ij} q_0]$$

- ❖ All of the low-energy nuclear effects are contained in the hadronic tensor

$$T^{\mu\nu}(q) = \sum_{N \neq N_0} \langle N_0 | \frac{J^\mu(-\mathbf{q}) |N\rangle \langle N| J^\nu(\mathbf{q})}{q_0 - \omega_N + i\epsilon} - \frac{J^\nu(\mathbf{q}) |N\rangle \langle N| J^\mu(-\mathbf{q})}{q_0 + \omega_N - i\epsilon} |N_0\rangle$$

- ❖ Several approaches: dispersion relations, phenomenological models, *effective field theory*

# Effective Field Theory: From the Top Down



# Why the EFT framework?

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$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \sum_n \left( \frac{p}{\Lambda} \right)^n c_{\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{O}_n$$

- ❖ Model independent
- ❖ Power counting—systematically improvable
- ❖ Quantify uncertainties (S. Li Muli's talk)

# Pionless EFT

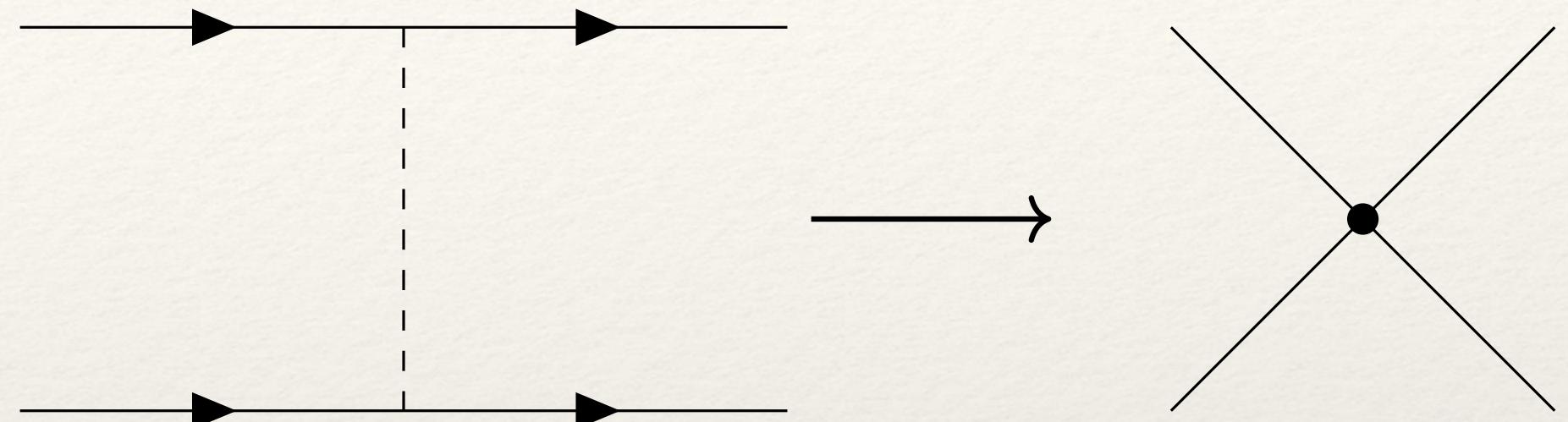
Kaplan et al., PLB 424, NPB 534;  
van Kolck, NPA 645

- ❖ Valid for  $p \ll m_\pi$
- ❖ Only nucleon degrees of freedom

$$\mathcal{L}_{NN} = N^\dagger \left( iD_0 + \frac{1}{2m_N} D^2 \right) N - C_0 (N^T P N)^\dagger (N^T P N) + \dots$$

- ❖ Tower of contact terms with desired symmetries, i.e. Galilean, gauge, isospin, parity, time-reversal etc.
- ❖ Lamb shift in muonic deuterium

Emmons et al., JPG 48;  
Lensky et al. PRC 104, PLB 385, EPJA 58



# Chiral Perturbation Theory

- ❖ Pions realize chiral symmetry of QCD nonlinearly

$$\mathrm{SU}(2)_L \times \mathrm{SU}(2)_R \rightarrow \mathrm{SU}(2)_V$$

$$\mathcal{L}_\pi = \frac{F^2}{4} \mathrm{Tr} (D_\mu U D^\mu U^\dagger) + \frac{F^2}{4} \mathrm{Tr} (\chi U^\dagger + U \chi^\dagger) + \dots \quad U = e^{\frac{i}{F_0} \pi_a \tau_a}$$

- ❖ Nucleons enter as isospin doublet

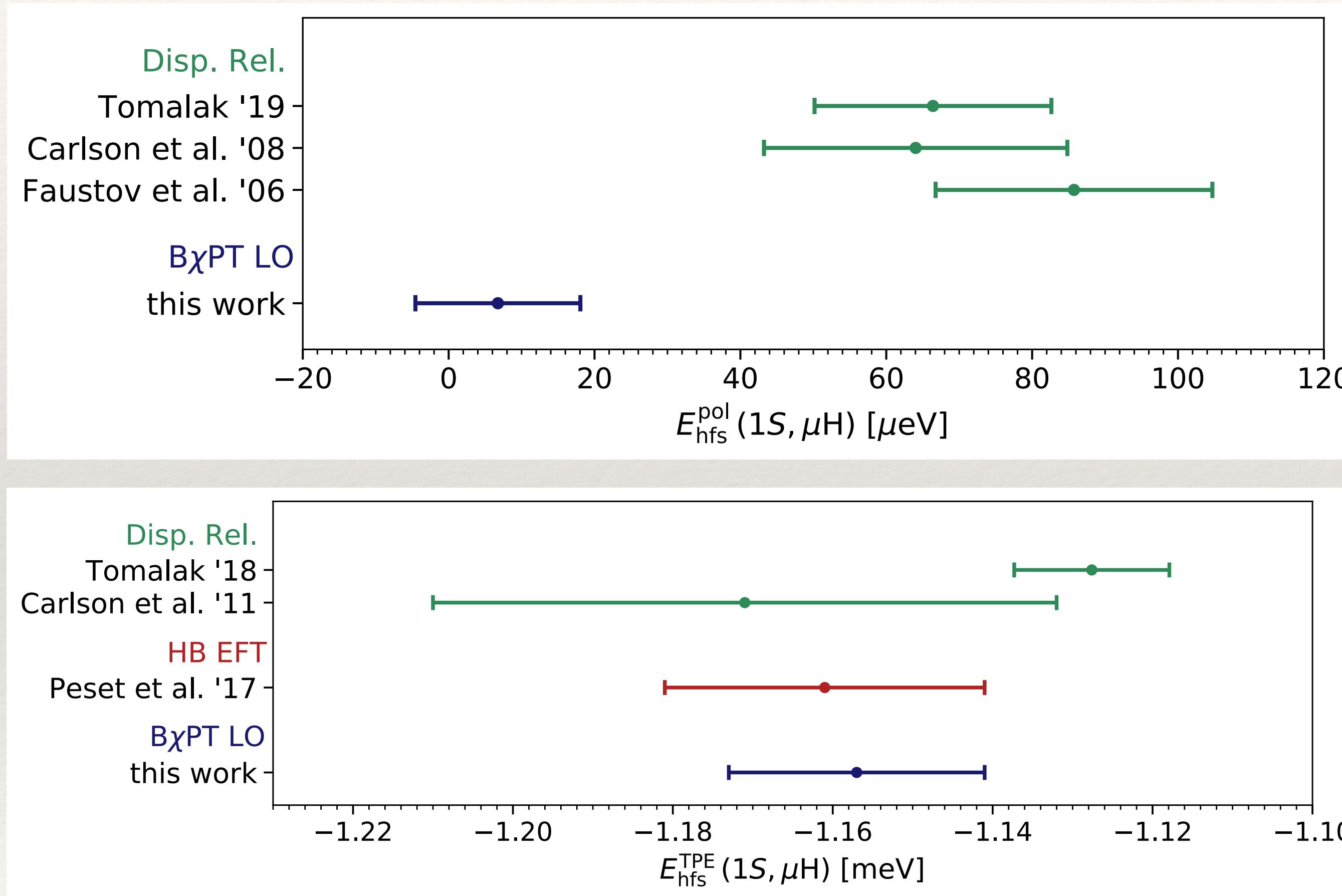
$$\mathcal{L}_{\pi N} = \bar{N}_v (iv \cdot D + g_A S_v \cdot u) N_v + O(1/m_N) + \dots$$

- ❖ Power counting parameter

$$\frac{(m_\pi, p)}{4\pi F_0}$$

Weinberg, 1968; Gasser and Leutwyler, 1983, 1984;  
Gasser et al. 1987; Jenkins and Manohar, 1991

# Hyperfine Splitting of Muonic Hydrogen



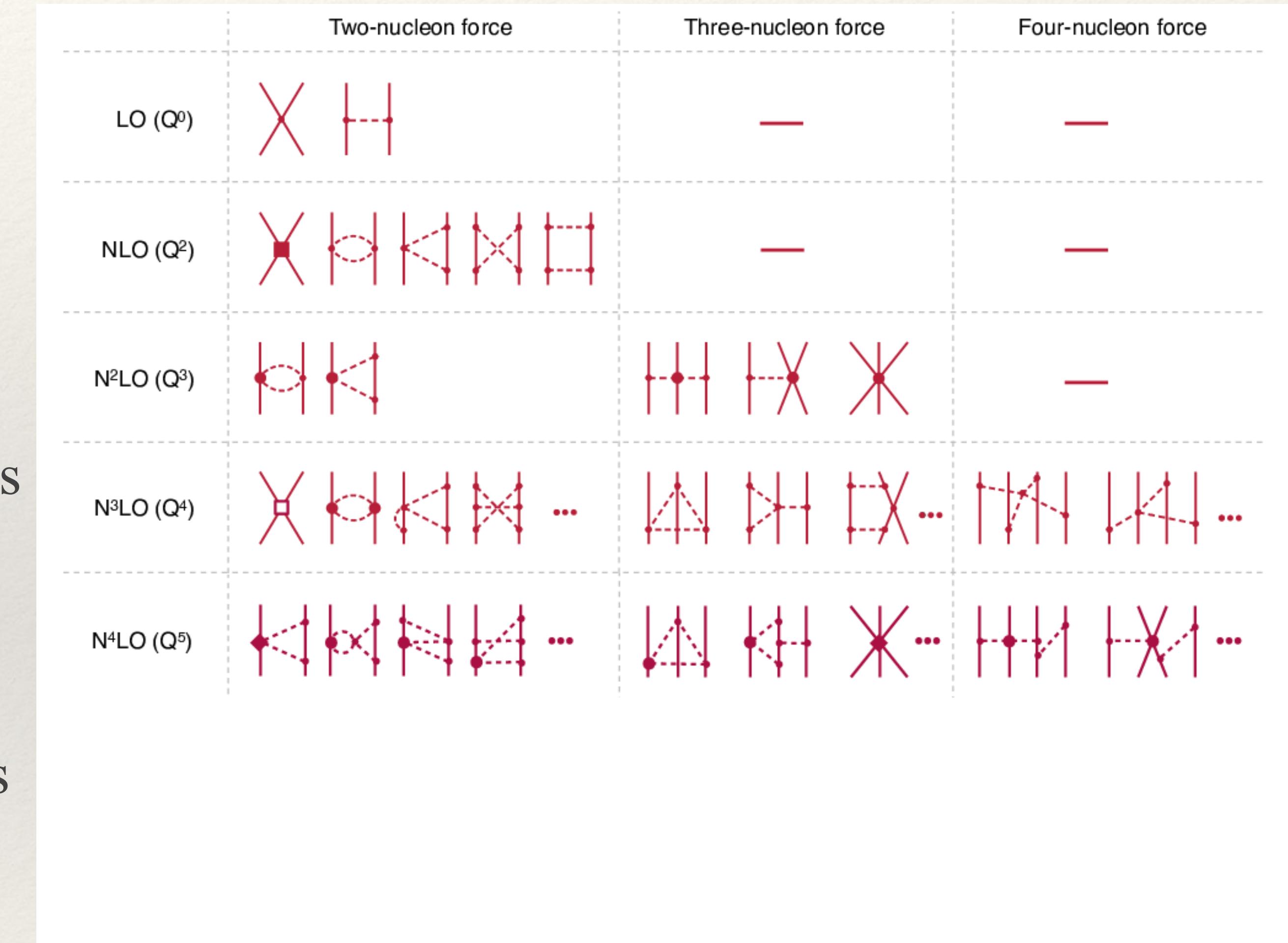
# Chiral Effective Field Theory

- ❖ Extend ChPT to few-nucleon systems

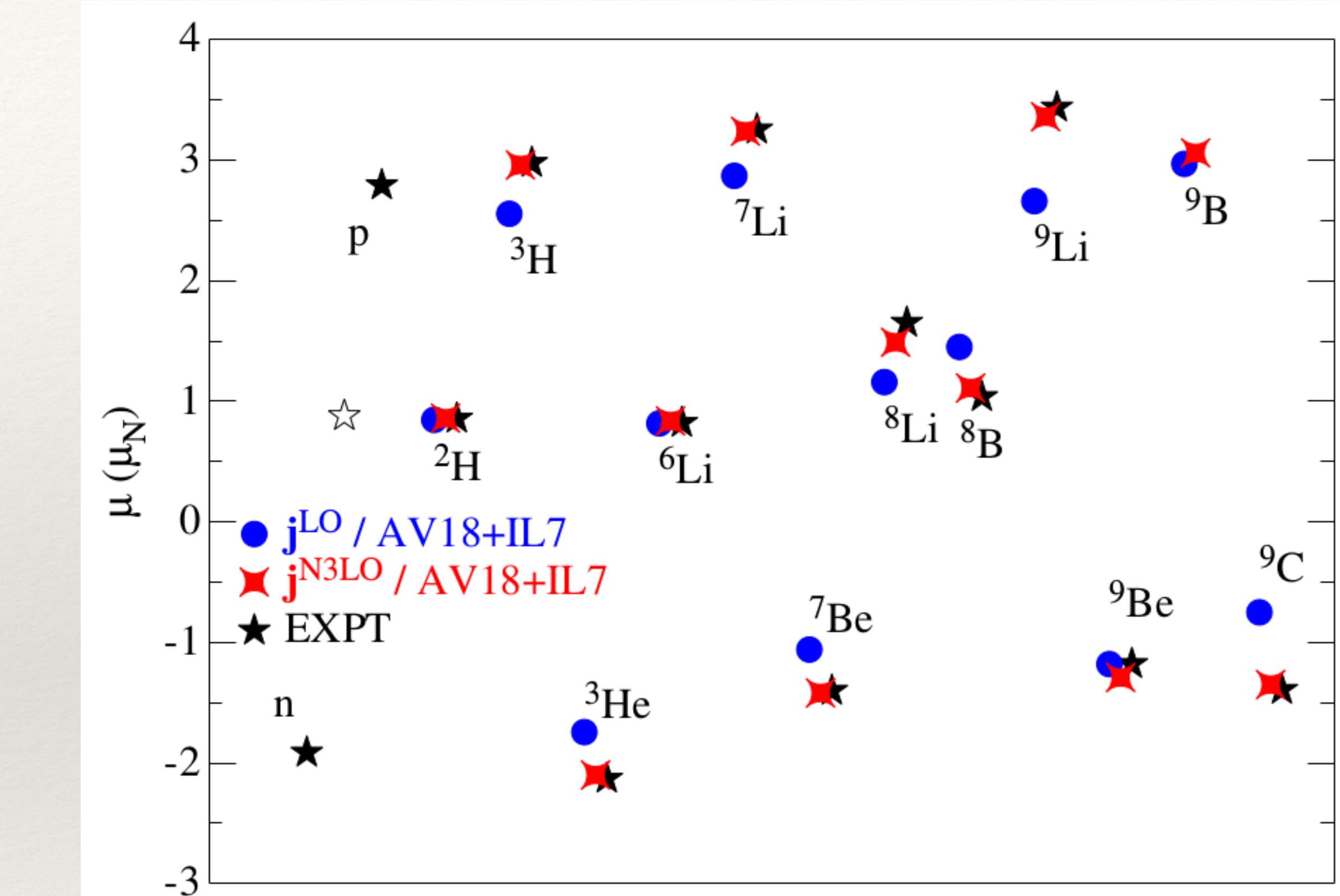
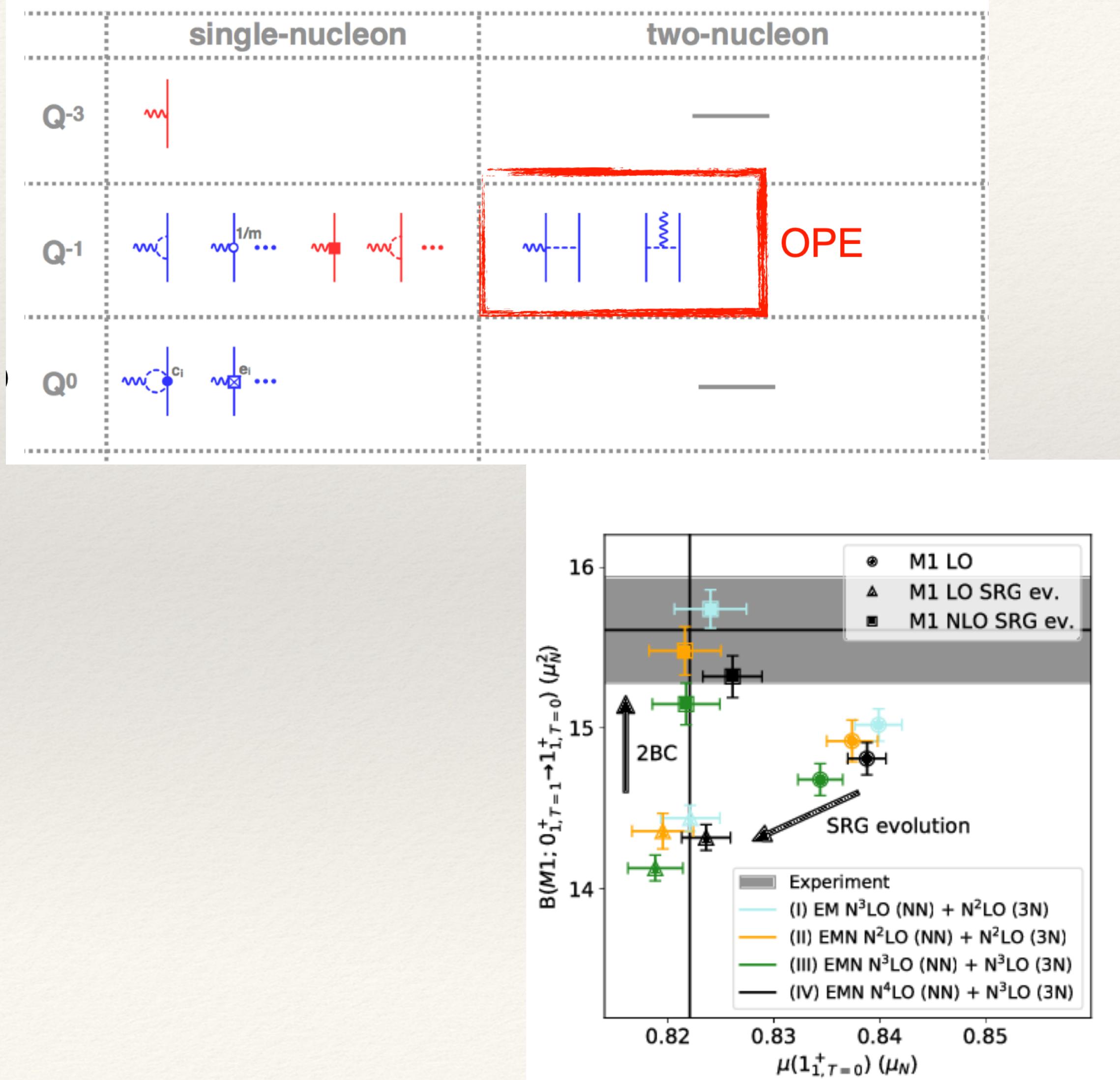
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{ChEFT}} = \mathcal{L}_\pi + \mathcal{L}_{\pi N} + \mathcal{L}_{NN} + \dots$$

- ❖ NN potential = sum of “irreducible” diagrams

- ❖ *Ab initio* program: Construct chiral potentials and solve many-body Schrödinger equation



# Electromagnetic Few-body currents



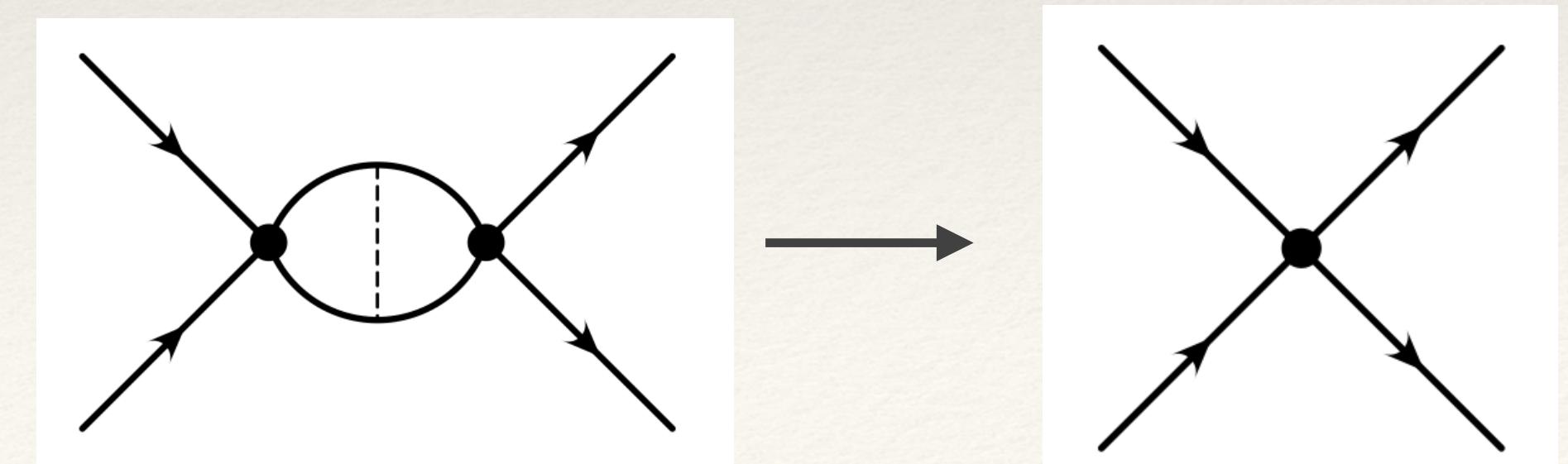
Pastore et al. PRC 90

Bacca et al. PRL 126

# Chiral EFT—A Tale of Two Power Countings

- ❖ Weinberg power counting—interactions ordered according to naïve dimensional analysis
  - ▶ Renormalization is unambiguous
  - ▶ Solve Schrödinger equation with full potential
- Epelbaum, Gegelia, Krebs, Meißner...
- ❖ Renormalization group invariant approach—additional operators may be required at leading order
  - ▶ Solve Schrödinger equation with LO potential
  - ▶ Treat the rest in perturbation theory

Kaplan, Savage, Wise, van Kolck, Long, Yang...



$$\sim m_\pi^2 D_2$$

# Chiral EFT for Muonic Atom Spectroscopy

$$T^{\mu\nu}(q) = \langle N_0 | \frac{J^\mu(-\mathbf{q})|N\rangle\langle N|J^\nu(\mathbf{q})}{q_0 - \omega_N + i\epsilon} - \frac{J^\nu(\mathbf{q})|N\rangle\langle N|J^\mu(-\mathbf{q})}{q_0 + \omega_N - i\epsilon} |N_0\rangle$$

- ❖ Strategy: Calculate spectrum of Hamiltonian in A-nucleon sector, calculate matrix elements of currents
- ❖ Sum includes *all* eigenstates of chiral Hamiltonian—need to truncate bound states,  $NN$ ,  $NN\pi$ , ...
- ❖ Forces and currents need to be consistent (E. Epelbaum's talk)

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# Multipole Expansion

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- ❖ Two-nucleon states and currents can be expanded in terms of partial waves and operators with good angular momentum quantum numbers

$$|\mathbf{p}, s m_s\rangle = 4\pi \sum_{l, m_l, j, m_j} \langle p, j m_j(ls) | p, l m_l, s s m_s \rangle Y_l^{m_l *}(p) |p, j m_j(ls)\rangle$$

$$\rho(\mathbf{q}) = 4\pi \sum_{\Lambda, \Lambda_z} i^\Lambda Y_\Lambda^{\Lambda_z *}(\hat{q}) \mathcal{C}_\Lambda^{\Lambda_z}(q)$$

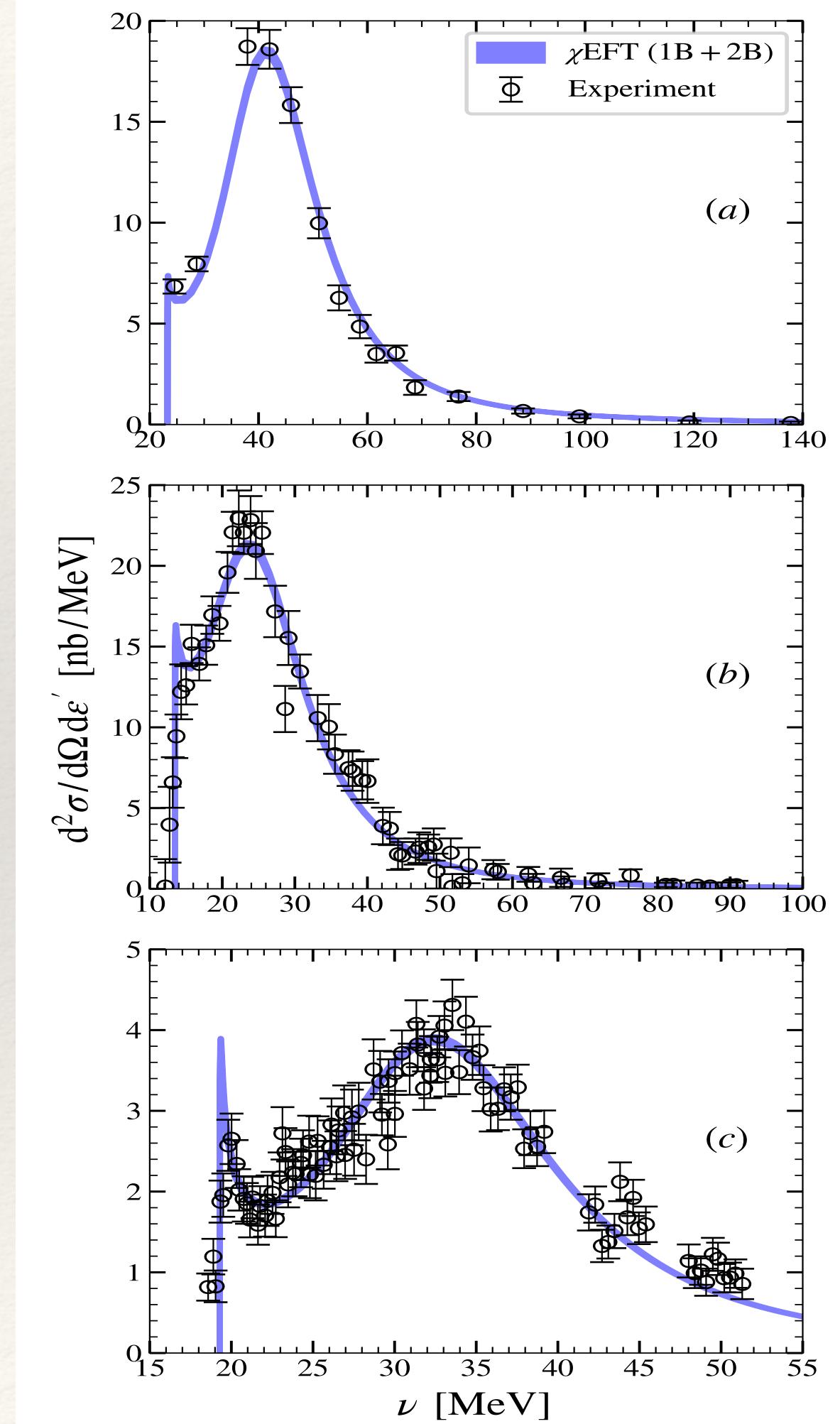
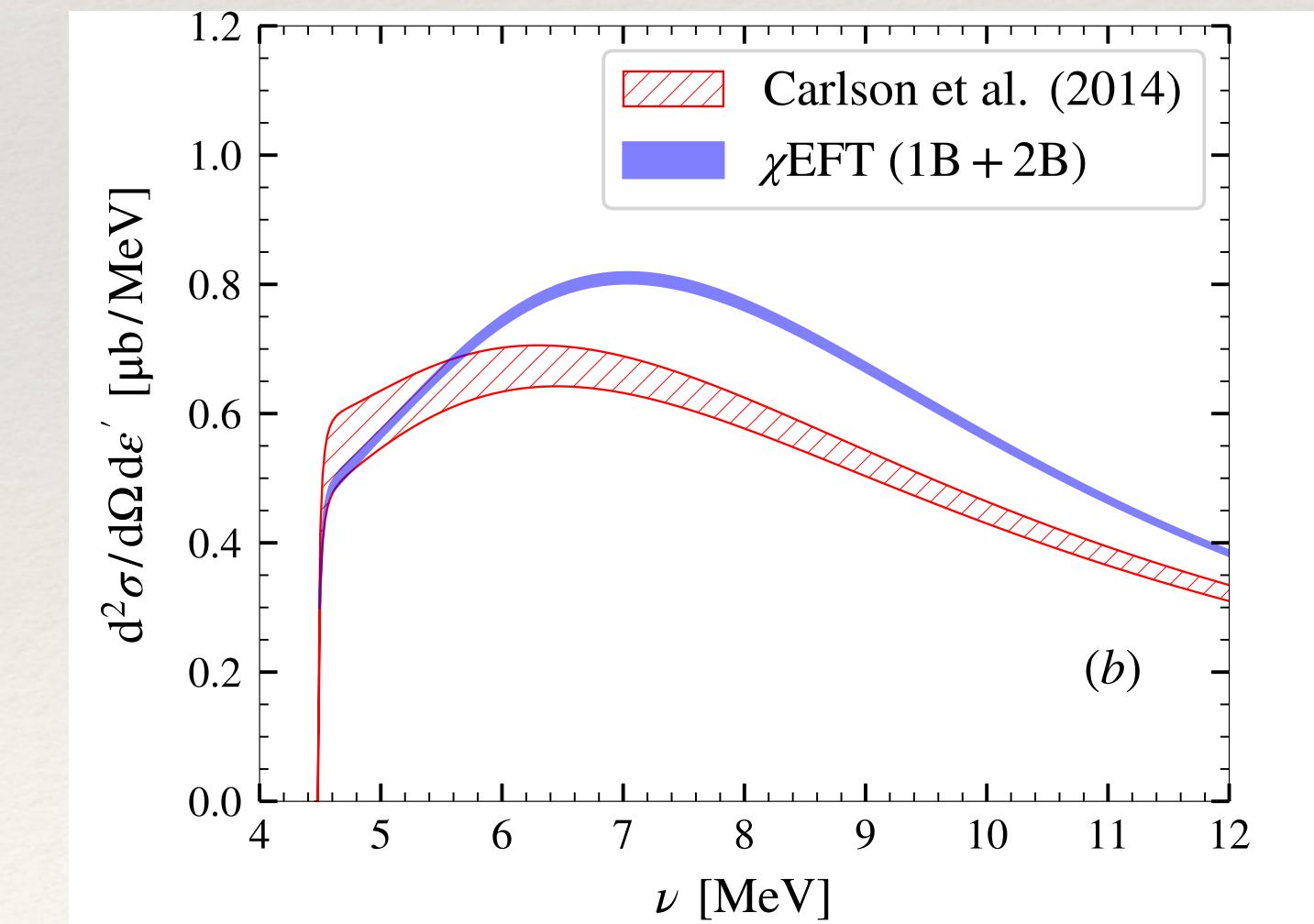
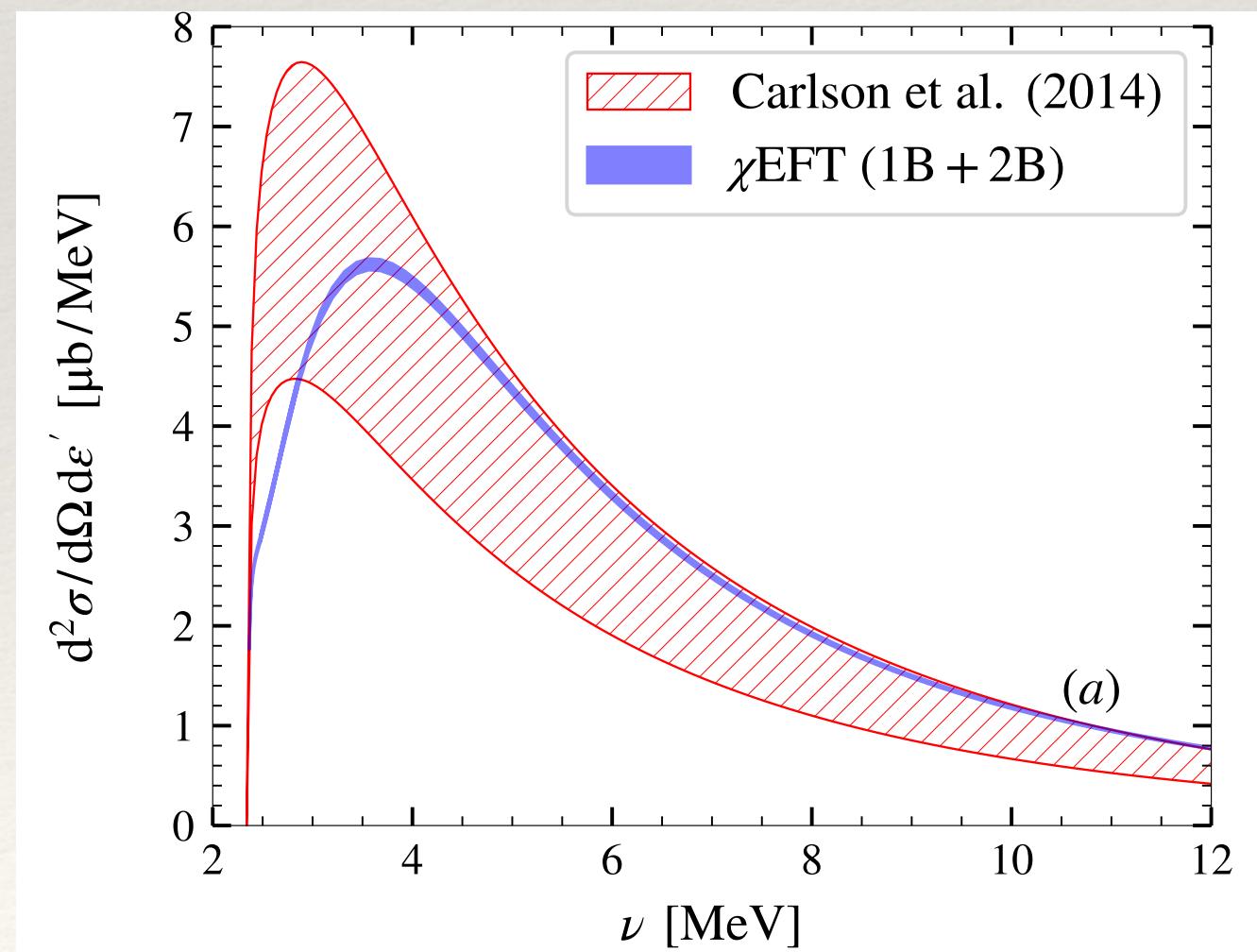
$$\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{q}) = 4\pi \sum_{\Lambda, \Lambda_z, L} i^\Lambda \mathcal{Y}_{\Lambda, L}^{\Lambda_z *}(\hat{q}) \mathcal{D}_\Lambda^{\Lambda_z}(q)$$

# Deuterium Response Functions

- ❖ Input from chiral EFT for dispersion relations

$$R_L(\nu, q) = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{m_d} \sum_{s, m_s} \sum_t \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2} \delta(\nu + M_d - E_+ - E_-) |\langle \mathbf{p}, sm_s, t | \rho | \psi_d m_d \rangle|^2$$

$$R_T(\nu, q) = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{m_d} \sum_{s, m_s} \sum_t \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2} \delta(\nu + M_d - E_+ - E_-) \sum_{\lambda=\pm 1} |\langle \mathbf{p}, sm_s, t | J_\lambda | \psi_d m_d \rangle|^2$$



# Two Photon Exchange Contribution to the Lamb Shift

## ❖ Polarizability contribution to the Lamb shift

$$\Delta E_{2S}^{2PE} = \Delta E_{2S}^{\text{inel+subt}} + \Delta E_{2S}^{\text{el}} + \Delta E_{2S}^{\text{hadr}} + \Delta E_{2S}^{\text{Coul}}$$

$$\Delta E_{2S}^{\text{inel+subt}} = -1.511(12) \text{ meV}$$

$$\Delta E_{2S}^{\text{el}} = -0.417(2) \text{ meV}$$

$$\Delta E_{2S}^{\text{hadr}} = -0.028(2) \text{ meV}$$

$$\Delta E_{2S}^{\text{Coul}} = 0.262(2) \text{ meV}$$

$$\Delta E_{2S}^{2PE} = -1.695(13) \text{ meV}$$

	$\Delta E_{2S}^{\text{TPE}} \text{ [meV]}$	
This work	— 1B+2B	-1.695(13)
	— Siegert	-1.703(15)
Ref. [8]		-1.680(16)
Ref. [9]		-1.717(20)
Ref. [11]		-1.690(20)
Ref. [12]		-1.712(21)
Ref. [13]		-1.703
Ref. [14]		-2.011(740)

# Towards Two Photon Exchange for the Hyperfine Splitting

- ❖ Lamb shift requires

$$|\langle \mathbf{p}, sm_s, t0 | \rho | \psi_d m_d \rangle|^2$$

$$\sum_{\lambda} |\langle \mathbf{p}, sm_s, t0 | J_{\lambda} | \psi_d m_d \rangle|^2$$

- ❖ Need *polarized* response functions and different matrix element combinations

$$T^{0i} \rightarrow \langle N_0 | \rho(-\mathbf{q}) | N \rangle \langle N | \mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{q}) | N_0 \rangle$$

$$T^{ij} \rightarrow \epsilon^{ijk} \langle N_0 | J^j(-\mathbf{q}) | N \rangle \langle N | J^k(\mathbf{q}) | N_0 \rangle$$

Ordinary atoms + closure approximation (Low term)

Friar and Payne

Meson exchange currents, suppressed?

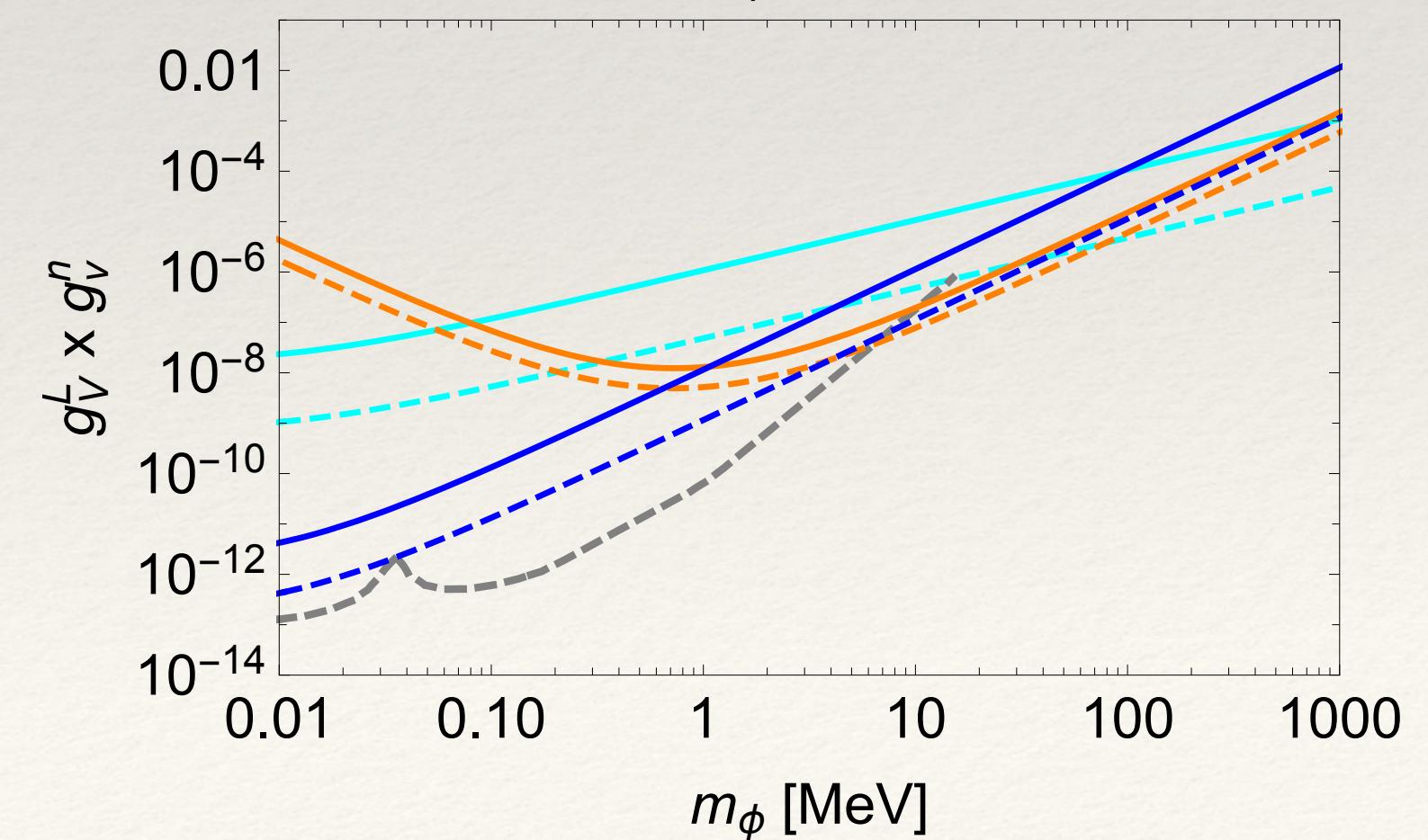
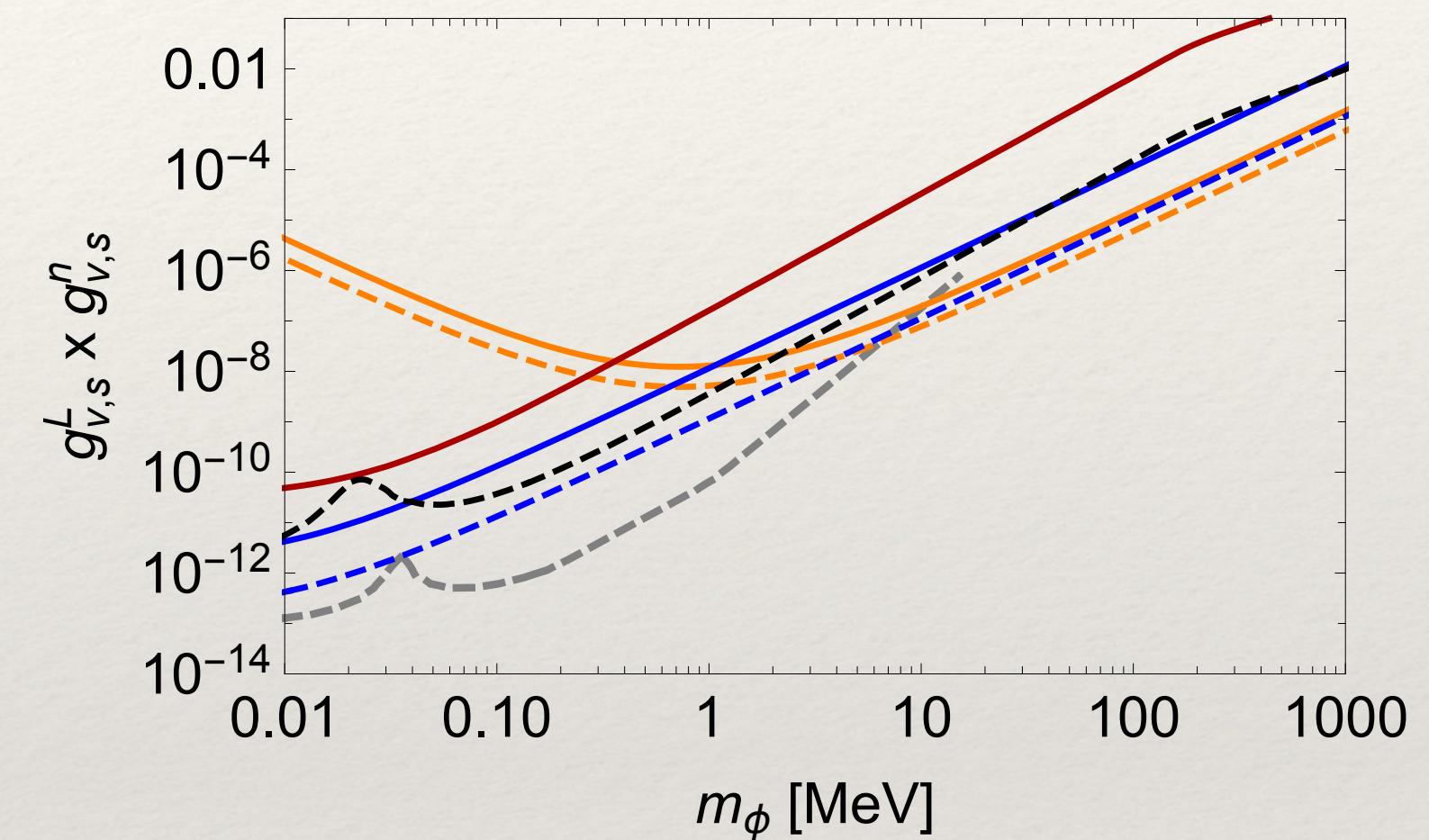
Kalinowski et al.

- ❖ Technology is *mostly* the same as that used in the Lamb shift

# Connections to BSM

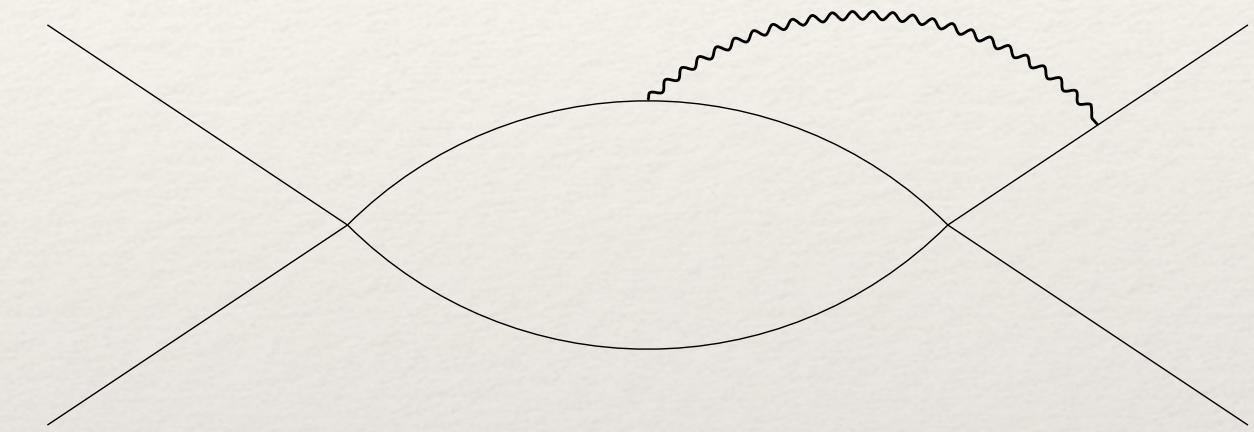
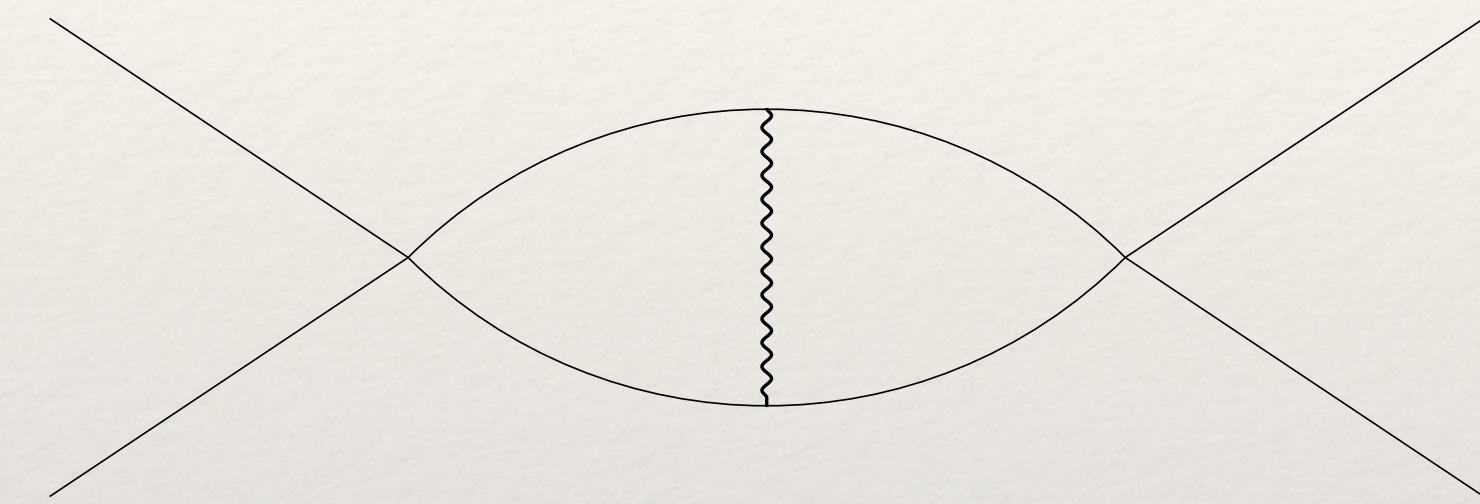
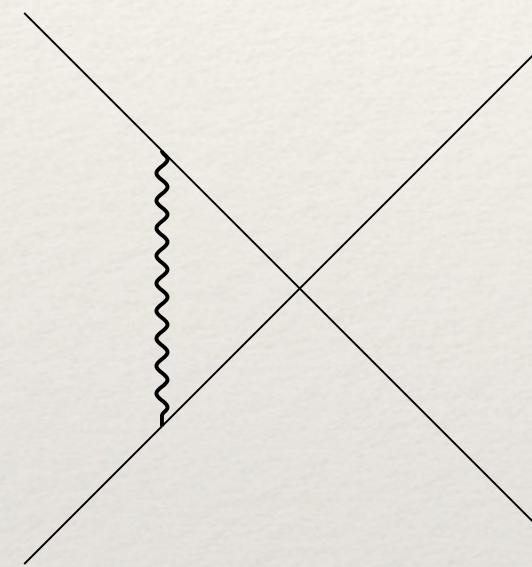
- ❖ EFT framework naturally facilitates connection between BSM physics and low-energy phenomena
- ❖ Precision electroweak physics (M. Gorchtein talk)
- ❖ Search for light new particles

Fruguele and Peset, JHEP 05



# Renormalization Group Approach

- ❖ Couple NRQED to pionless/chiral EFT



- ❖ Renormalization group improvement in hydrogen

- ❖  $\alpha^8 \log^3 \alpha$  Lamb shift

Manohar and Stewart, PRL 85

- ❖  $\alpha^7 \log^2 \alpha$  Hyperfine splitting

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# Summary

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- ❖ Effective field theory techniques connect (beyond) Standard Model to low-energy observables
- ❖ Chiral EFT for the Lamb shift in muonic deuterium is encouraging
- ❖ Apply the same toolbox to the hyperfine splitting
- ❖ Additional avenues: BSM physics, renormalization group