

# Towards an Estimation of Nuclear Forces and Nuclear Matrix Elements Uncertainties: Chiral vs Non-Chiral

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## Bottomline

## THE PROBLEM

- GOAL: Estimate uncertainties from IGNORANCE of NN,3N,4N interaction  
Reduce computational cost
  - Statistical Uncertainties: NN,3N,4N Data  
Data abundance bias
  - Systematic Uncertainties: NN,3N,4N potential  
Many forms of potentials possible
  - Confidence level of Imperfect theories vs Perfect experiments

## OUR APPROACH

- Start with NN
  - Fit data WITH ERRORS with a simple interaction
  - Compare different interactions (AV18,CDBonn,N3LO,Nijm,Spec)
  - Estimate uncertainties of Effective Interactions and Matrix elements

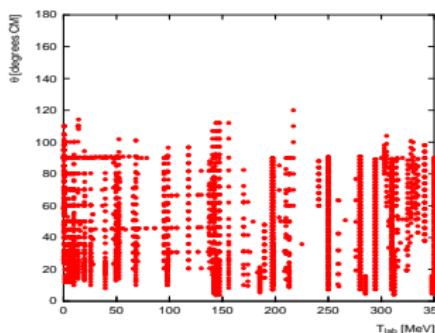
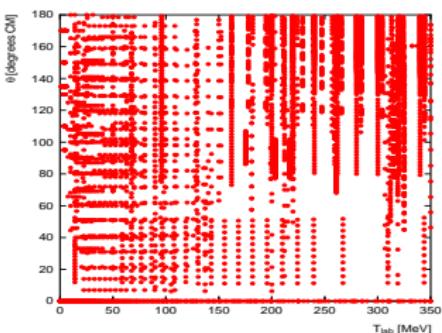


# Error Analysis in Nuclear Structure

- Theoretical Predictive Power Flow: From light to heavy nuclei
- Experiment much more precise than theory
- How to estimate theoretical errors based on INPUT data

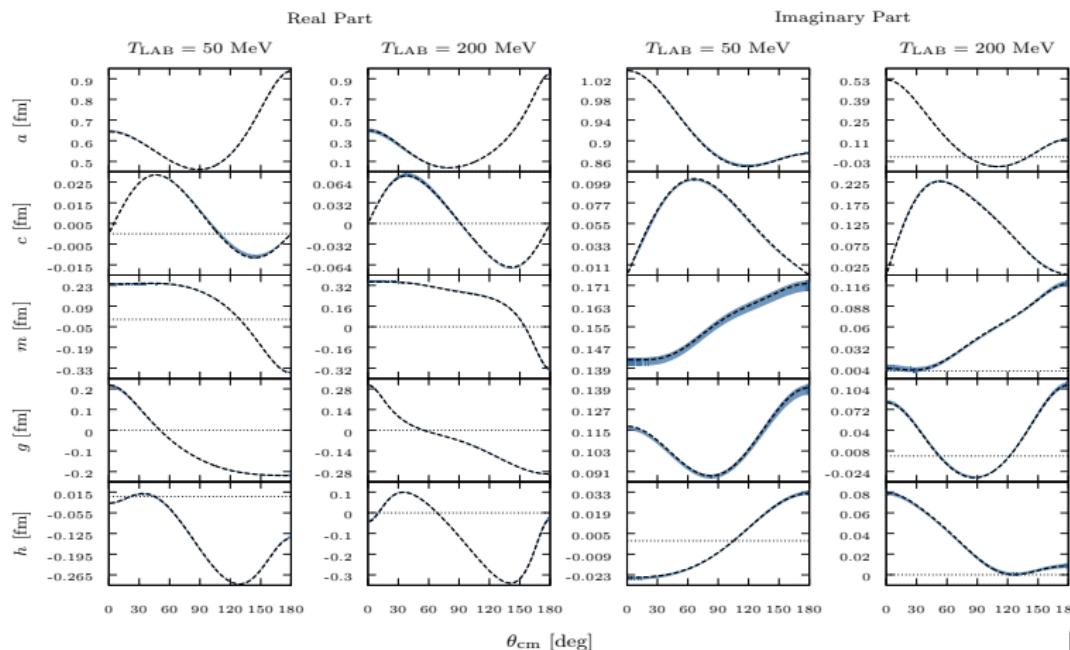
$$\text{INPUT} = \text{NN}, 3N, \dots \rightarrow \text{OUTPUT} = 4N, \dots$$

- First Step: INPUT=NN scattering data
- OUTPUT=NN scattering amplitudes



# Wolfenstein Parameters

- PWA,NimjII,CDBonn,Spec,Reid93,AV18,  $\chi^2/\text{dof} \sim 1$



## Introduction

- How much do we need to know light nuclei to predict heavy nuclei ?
  - Nucleon size  $a \sim 1\text{fm}$
  - Nuclear Force  $\sim 1/m_\pi = 1.4\text{fm}$
  - Nuclear matter (interparticle distance)

$$\rho_{nm} = 0.17 \text{fm}^{-3} = \frac{1}{(1.8 \text{fm})^3}$$

- ### ● Fermi Momentum

$$k_F = 270 \text{ MeV} \quad \lambda_F = \pi/k_F = 2.3 \text{ fm} \gg 1/\sqrt{m_\pi M_N} = 0.5 \text{ fm}$$

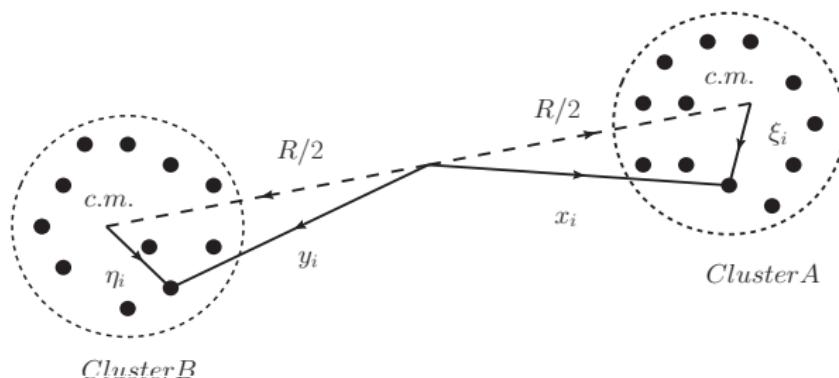
Can we ignore explicit core, finite nucleon size and explicit pions ?  
 What is the confidence level for this scenario ?



# Quark Cluster Dynamics (qcd)

- Atomic analogue. Neutral atoms

- Non-overlapping atoms exchange TWO photons (Van der Waals force)
- Overlapping atoms are not locally neutral; ONE photon exchange is possible (Chemical bonding)



- Overlapping effects (quark exchange) constrain the applicability of Lagrangians



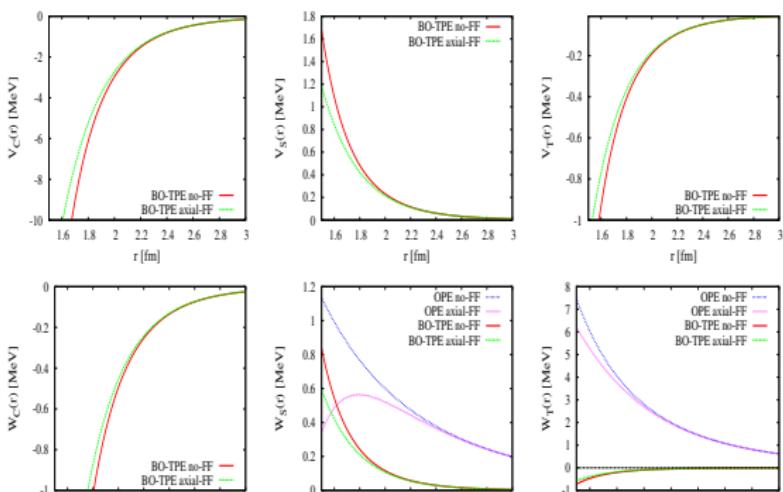
# Quark Cluster Dynamics (qcd)

- NN potential in the Born-Oppenheimer approximation

Calle Cordon, RA, '12

$$\bar{V}_{NN,NN}^{1\pi+2\pi+\dots}(\mathbf{r}) = V_{NN,NN}^{1\pi}(\mathbf{r}) + 2 \frac{|V_{NN,N\Delta}^{1\pi}(\mathbf{r})|^2}{M_N - M_\Delta} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{|V_{NN,\Delta\Delta}^{1\pi}(\mathbf{r})|^2}{M_N - M_\Delta} + \mathcal{O}(V^3),$$

- Bulk of TWO-Pion Exchange Chiral forces reproduced
- Finite size effects set in at 2fm → exchange quark effects become explicit
- High quality potentials confirm these trends.



# Anatomy of the unknown NN interaction

- At what distance look nucleons point-like ?

$$r > 2\text{fm}$$

- When is OPE the **ONLY** contribution ?

$$r_c > 3\text{fm}$$

- What is the minimal resolution where interaction is elastic ?

$$p_{\max} \sim \sqrt{M_N m_\pi} \rightarrow \Delta r = 1/p_{\max} = 0.6\text{fm}$$

- How many partial waves must be fitted ?

$$l_{\max} = p_{\max} r_c r_c / \Delta r = 5$$

- Minimal distance where centrifugal barrier dominates

$$\frac{l(l+1)}{r_{\min}^2} \leq p^2$$

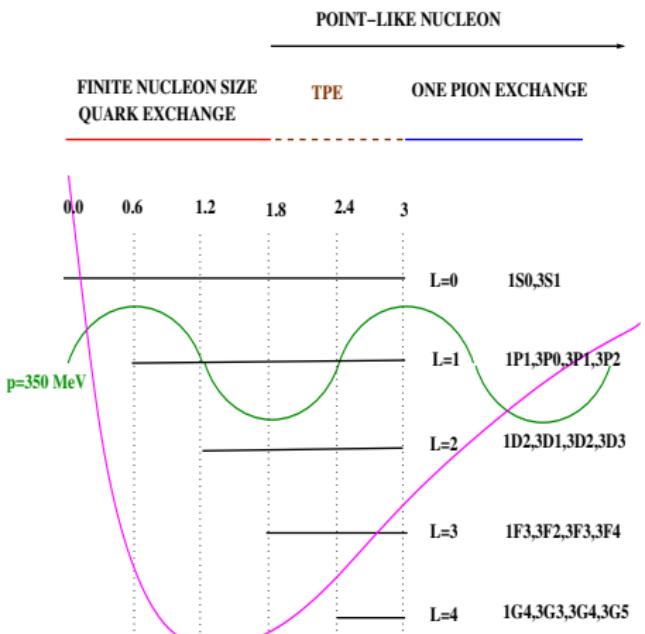
- How many parameters ?

$(^1S_0, ^3S_1)$ ,  $(^1P_1, ^3P_0, ^3P_1, ^3P_2)$ ,  $(^1D_2, ^3D_1, ^3D_2, ^3D_3)$ ,  $(^1F_3, ^3F_2, ^3F_3, ^3F_4)$

$$2 \times 5 + 4 \times 4 + 4 \times 3 + 4 \times 2 + 4 \times 1 = 50$$



# Anatomy of the unknown NN interaction



# Motivation

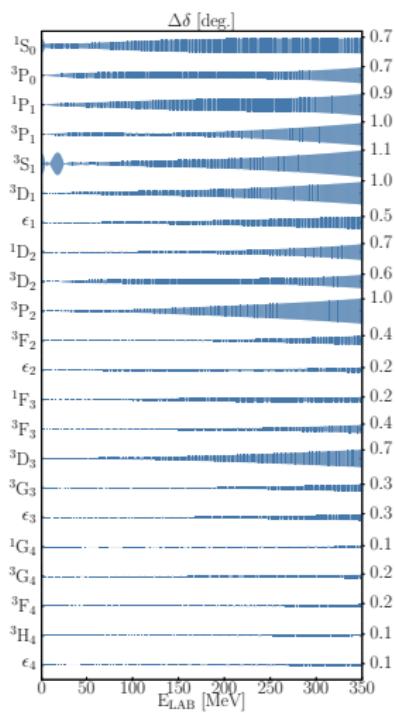
- Study of the NN interaction for over 60 years
- More than 7800 experimental scattering data from 1950 to 2013
- Several partial wave analyses (PWA) and potentials since the 1950's
  - Hamada Johnston, Yale, Paris, Bonn, Nijmegen, Argonne, ...
- $\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.} \sim 1$  possible by 1993

[Stoks et al, Phys. Rev. C 48 (1993), 792]

- Chiral potentials appear in the mid 1990's



# Motivation



- No unique determination of the NN interaction
- Different phenomenological potentials
  - Fitted to experimental scattering data
  - High accuracy  $\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.} \sim 1$
  - Dispersion in Phaseshifts
  - OPE as the long range interaction
  - $\sim 40$  parameters for the short and intermediate range
  - Repulsive core for most of them
    - Short range correlations
- Nuclear structure calculations become complicated
- No statistical uncertainties estimates

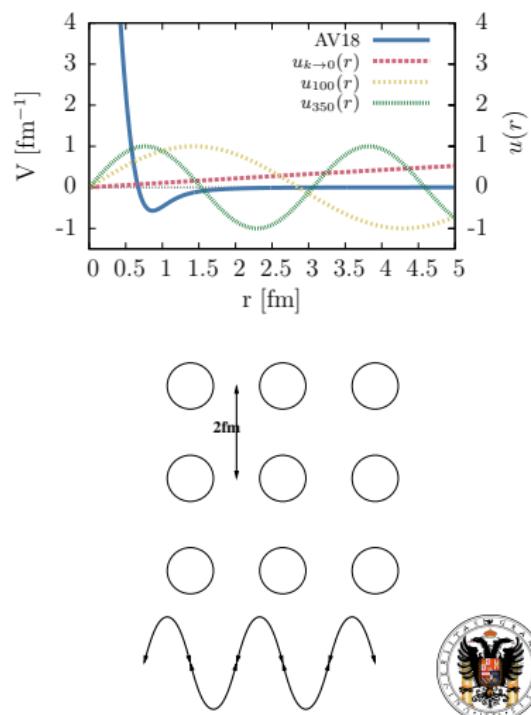


## Motivation

- Effective coarse graining
    - Oscillator Shell Model
    - Euclidean Lattice EFT
    - $V_{\text{lowk}}$  interaction
  - Characteristic distance  $\sim 0.5 - 1.0$  fm
  - Nyquist Theorem
    - Optimal sampling
    - Finite Bandwidth

$$\Delta r \Delta k \sim 1$$

- de Broglie wavelength of the most energetic particle



# COARSE GRAINED INTERACTION



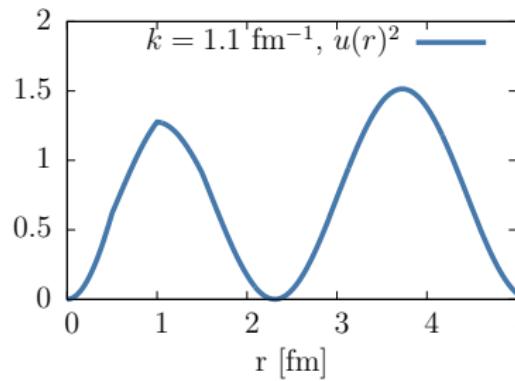
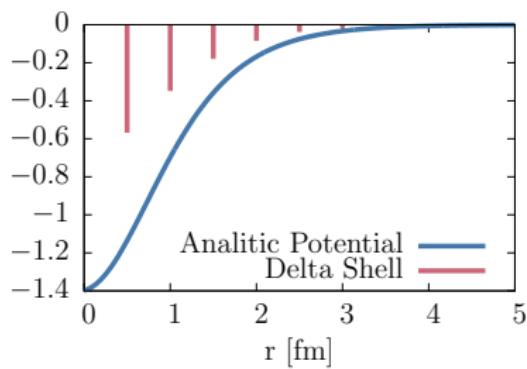
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- A sum of delta functions

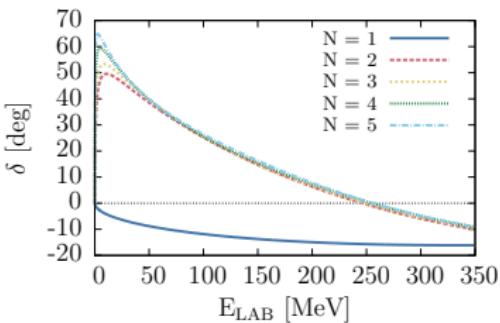
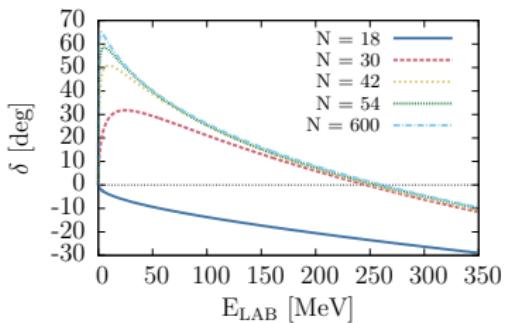
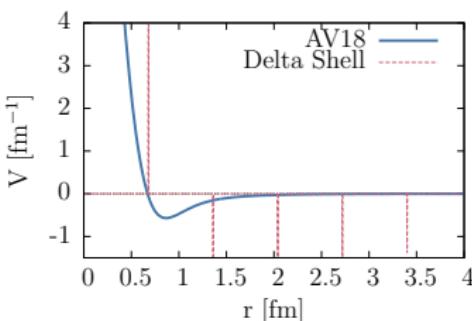
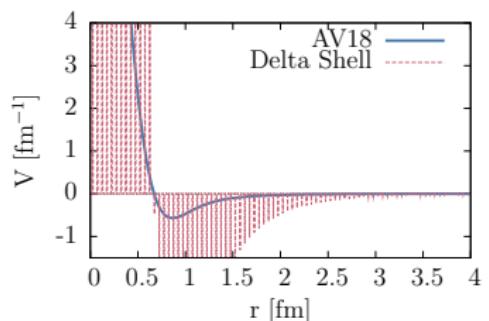
$$V(r) = \sum_i \frac{\lambda_i}{2\mu} \delta(r - r_i)$$

[Aviles, Phys.Rev. C6 (1972) 1467]

- Optimal and minimal sampling of the nuclear interaction
- Pion production threshold  $\Delta k \sim 2 \text{ fm}^{-1}$
- Optimal sampling,  $\Delta r \sim 0.5 \text{ fm}$

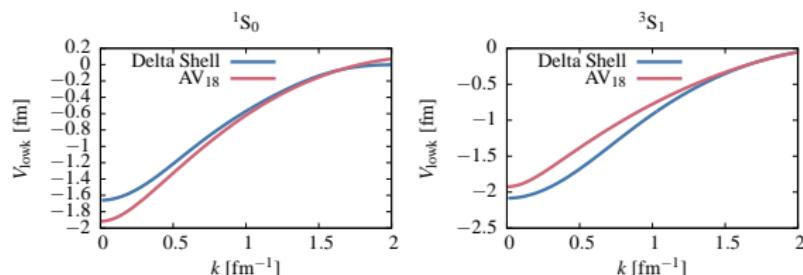


# Coarse Graining the AV18 potential



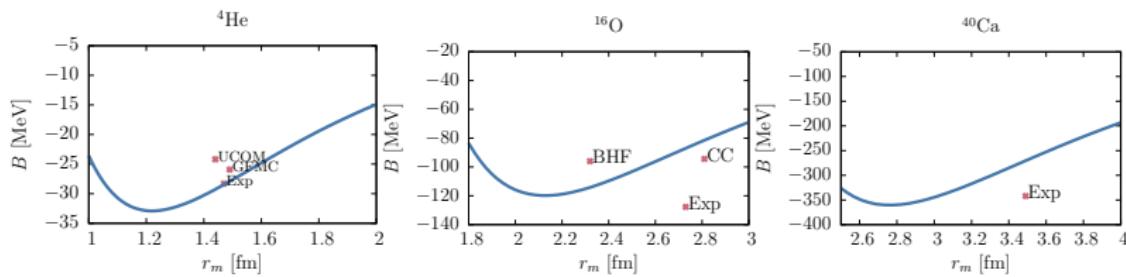
# Delta Shell Potential

- Comparison with  $V_{\text{lowk}}$



- Nuclear structure calculations

[Prog.Part.Nucl.Phys. 67 (2012) 359]



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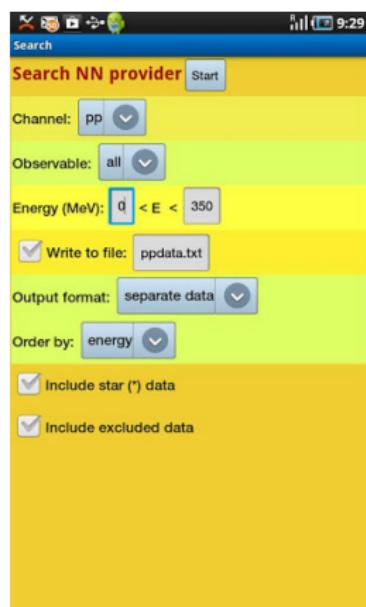
- 3 well defined regions
- Innermost region  $r \leq 0.5$  fm
  - Short range interaction
  - No delta shell (No repulsive core)
- Intermediate region  $0.5 \leq r \leq 3.0$  fm
  - Unknown interaction
  - $\lambda_i$  parameters fitted to scattering data
- Outermost region  $r \geq 3.0$  fm
  - Long range interaction
  - Described by OPE and **EM effects**
    - Coulomb interaction  $V_{C1}$  and relativistic correction  $V_{C2}$  (pp)
    - Vacuum polarization  $V_{VP}$  (pp)
    - Magnetic moment  $V_{MM}$  (pp and np)



# np AND pp PARTIAL WAVE ANALYSIS



# Fitting NN observables



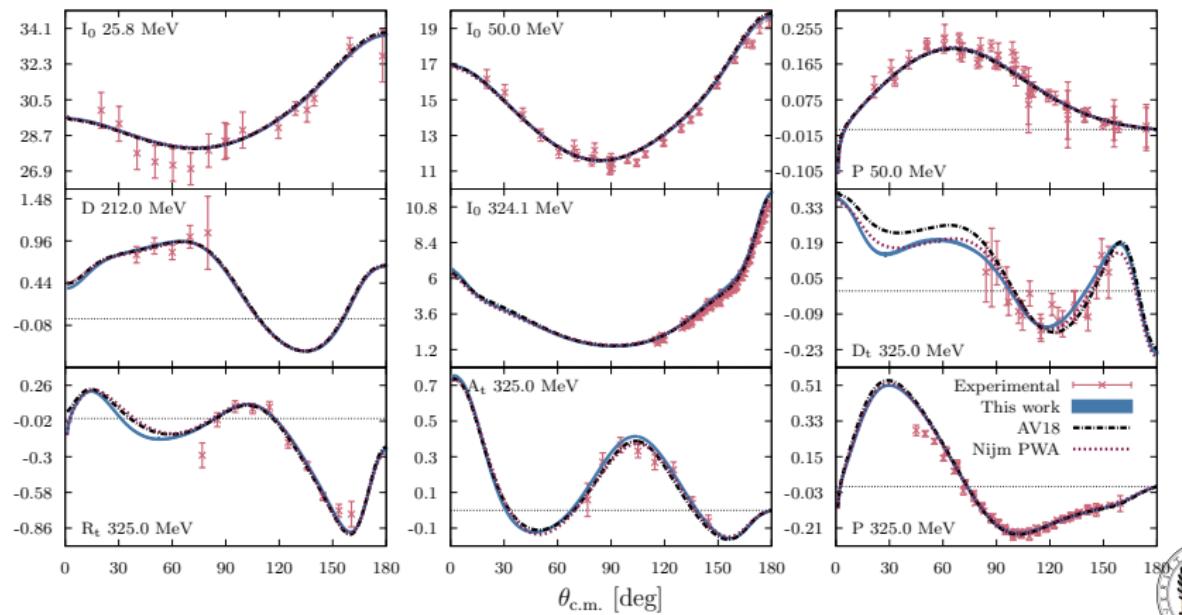
- Database of NN scattering data obtained till 2013
  - <http://nn-online.org/>
  - <http://gwdac.phys.gwu.edu/>
  - NN provider for Android
    - Google Play Store
- [J.E. Amaro, R. Navarro-Perez, and E. Ruiz-Arriola]
- 2868 pp data and 4991 np data
- $3\sigma$  criterion by Nijmegen to remove possible outliers





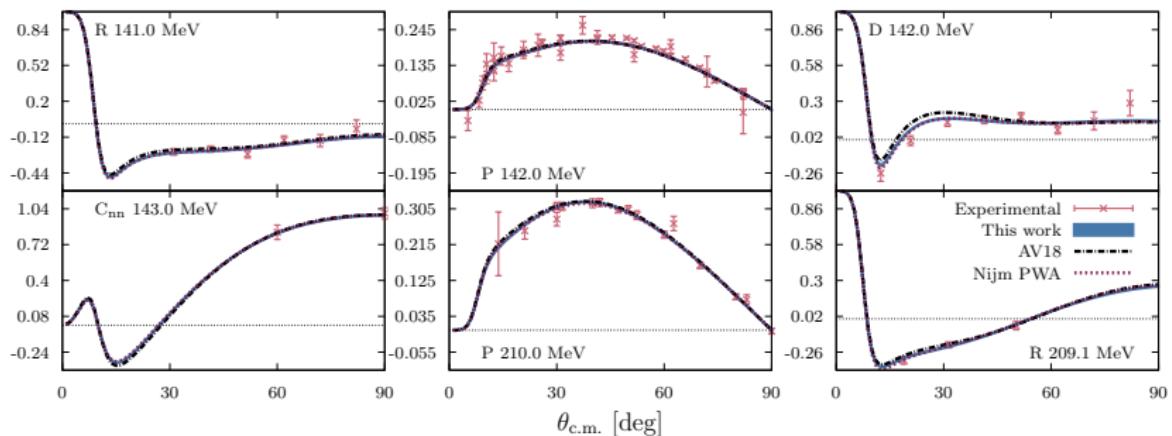
# Scattering Observables

- Comparing with Potentials and Experimental data
- np data



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- pp data

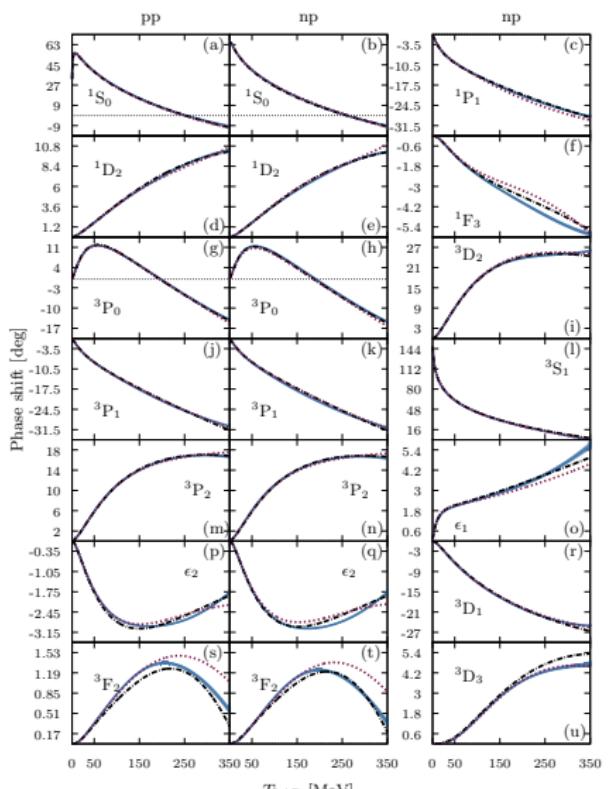


- $\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.} = 1.06$  with  $N = 2747|_{\text{pp}} + 3691|_{\text{np}}$

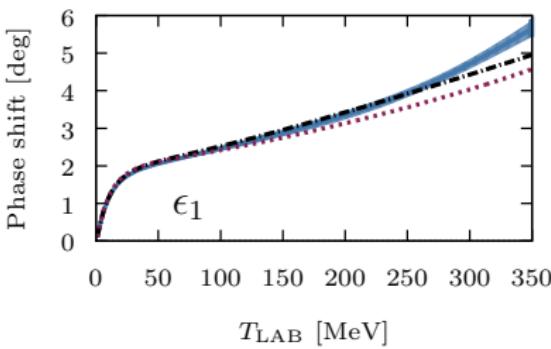
[arXiv:1304.0895]



# Phase shifts



- Phase shifts for every partial
- Statistical uncertainty propagated directly from covariance matrix



# Wolfenstein Parameters

- A complete parametrization of the on-shell scattering amplitudes
- Five independent complex quantities
- Function of Energy and Angle

$$\begin{aligned} M(\mathbf{k}_f, \mathbf{k}_i) = & a + m(\sigma_1, \mathbf{n})(\sigma_2, \mathbf{n}) + (g - h)(\sigma_1, \mathbf{m})(\sigma_2, \mathbf{m}) \\ & + (g + h)(\sigma_1, \mathbf{l})(\sigma_2, \mathbf{l}) + c(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2, \mathbf{n}) \end{aligned}$$

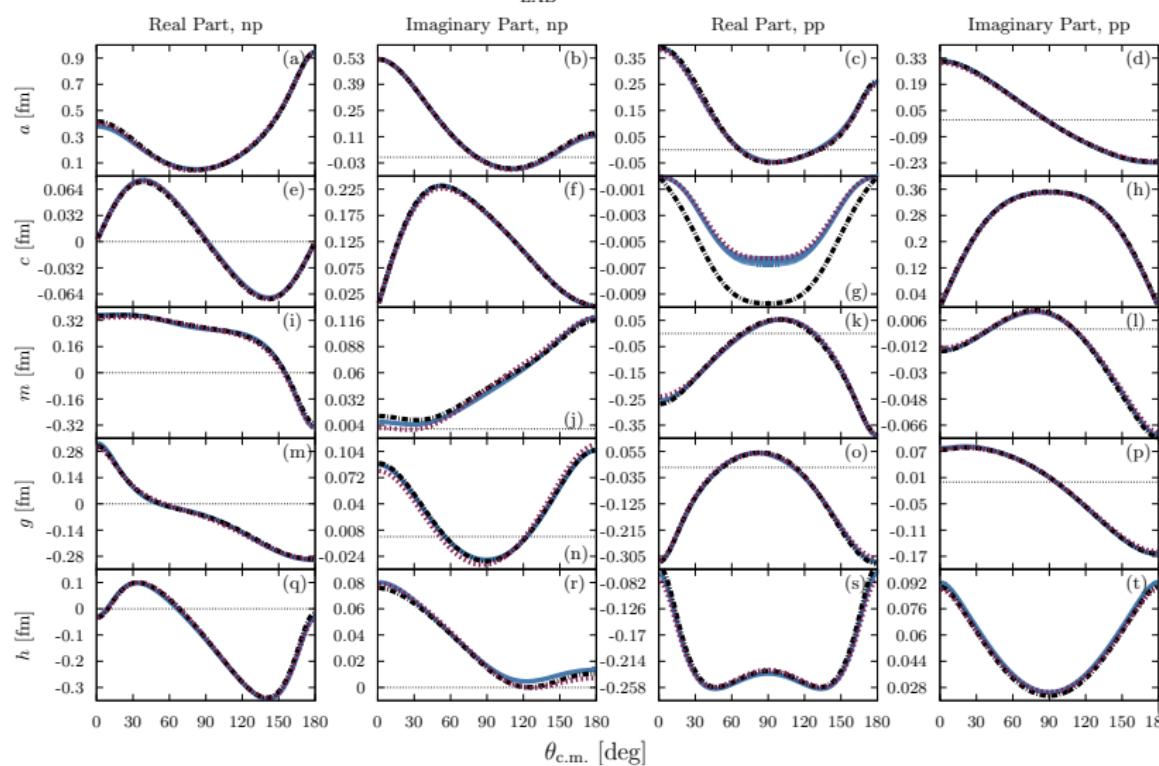
- Scattering observables can be calculated from  $M$

[Bystricky, J. et al, Jour. de Phys. 39.1 (1978) 1]



# Wolfenstein Parameters

$T_{\text{LAB}} = 200 \text{ MeV}$





# Including Chiral Two Pion Exchange

- Inclusion of  $\chi$ TPE interactions at long and intermediate ranges
- pp PWA by the Nijmegen group

[Rentmeester et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 82 (1999), 4992]

- Improvement in the  $\chi^2$  value compared to OPE only
- Reduction of the number of parameters
- Determination of chiral constants  $c_1, c_3, c_4$
- Preliminary test using the  $\delta$ -shell potential
  - OPE, TPE(l.o.) and TPE(s.o.)
  - Different cut radius,  $r_c = 3.0, 2.4, 1.8$  fm



# Comparing OPE and $\chi$ TPE

- Fitting all NN data

$r_c$ [fm]	1.8			2.4			3.0		
	$N_p$	$\chi^2/\nu$		$N_p$	$\chi^2/\nu$		$N_p$	$\chi^2/\nu$	
OPE	31	1.80		39	1.56		46	1.54	
TPE(l.o.)	31	1.72		38	1.56		46	1.52	
TPE(s.o.)	30+3	1.60		38+3	1.56		46+3	1.52	

- Fitting  $3\sigma$  compatible NN data

	$N_{\text{Data}}$	$N_p$	$\chi^2/\nu$	$N_{\text{Data}}$	$N_p$	$\chi^2/\nu$	$N_{\text{Data}}$	$N_p$	$\chi^2/\nu$
OPE	5766	31	1.10	6363	39	1.09	6438	46	1.06
TPE(l.o.)	5841	31	1.10	6432	38	1.10	6423	46	1.06
TPE(s.o.)	6220	30+3	1.07	6439	38+3	1.10	6422	46+3	1.06

- OPE only at 3.0fm describes the data
- $1.8 \leq r \leq 3.0$  fm OPE + something else
- $\chi$ TPE most of that something else



# EFFECTIVE INTERACTIONS



# Motivation

- Effective Interaction [Skyrme, Moshinsky]
- Useful simplifications in many body calculations [Brink, Vaughterin]
- Power expansion in CM momenta

$$\begin{aligned} V(\mathbf{p}', \mathbf{p}) &= \int d^3x e^{-i\mathbf{x}\cdot(\mathbf{p}'-\mathbf{p})} \hat{V}(\mathbf{x}) \\ &= t_0(1+x_0 P_\sigma) + \frac{t_1}{2}(1+x_1 P_\sigma)(\mathbf{p}'^2 + \mathbf{p}^2) \\ &\quad + t_2(1+x_2 P_\sigma)\mathbf{p}' \cdot \mathbf{p} + 2it_V \mathbf{S} \cdot (\mathbf{p}' \wedge \mathbf{p}) \\ &\quad + \frac{t_T}{2} \left[ \sigma_1 \cdot \mathbf{p} \sigma_2 \cdot \mathbf{p} + \sigma_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}' \sigma_2 \cdot \mathbf{p}' - \frac{1}{3} \sigma_1 \sigma_2 (\mathbf{p}'^2 + \mathbf{p}^2) \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{t_U}{2} \left[ \sigma_1 \cdot \mathbf{p} \sigma_2 \cdot \mathbf{p}' + \sigma_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}' \sigma_2 \cdot \mathbf{p} - \frac{2}{3} \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \mathbf{p}' \cdot \mathbf{p} \right] \\ &\quad + \mathcal{O}(p^4) \end{aligned}$$



# Skyrme parameters

- Skyrme parameters in terms of partial waves
- Partial Wave potential in momentum space

$$V_{l'l'}^{JS}(p', p) = \frac{(4\pi)^2}{M} \int_0^\infty dr r^2 j_{l'}(p'r) j_l(pr) V_{l'l}^{JS}(r)$$

- Using the Bessel function expansion

$$j_l(x) = \frac{x^l}{(2l+1)!!} \left[ 1 - \frac{x^2}{2(2l+3)} + \dots \right]$$





# Skyrme parameters

- Straightforward for  $\delta$ -shell potential

$$t \propto \sum \tilde{\lambda}_i r_i^n$$

- Integrable for OPE starting at  $r_c$

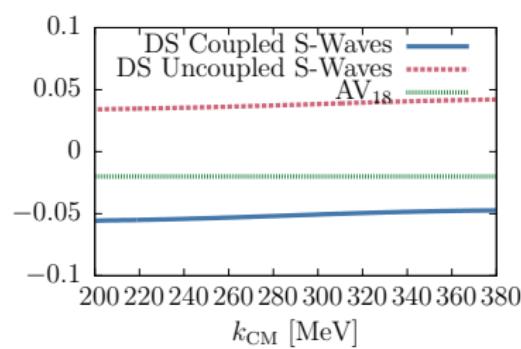
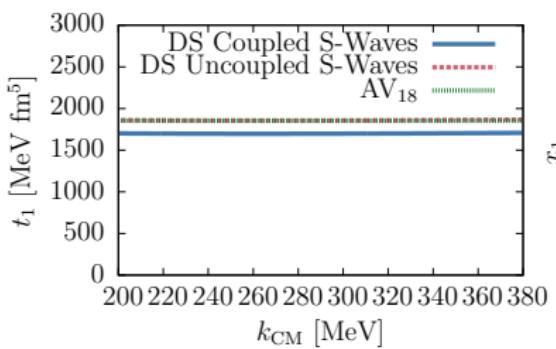
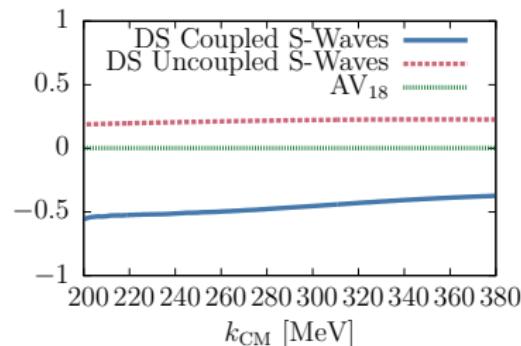
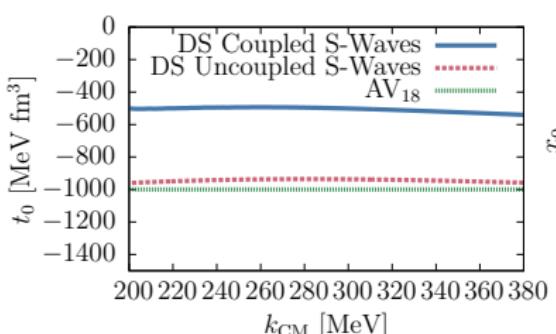
$$t \propto \frac{f_{\pi NN}^2}{m_\pi^2} \Gamma(n, m_\pi r_c)$$

- Where  $f_{\pi NN}^2/(4\pi) \sim 0.08$



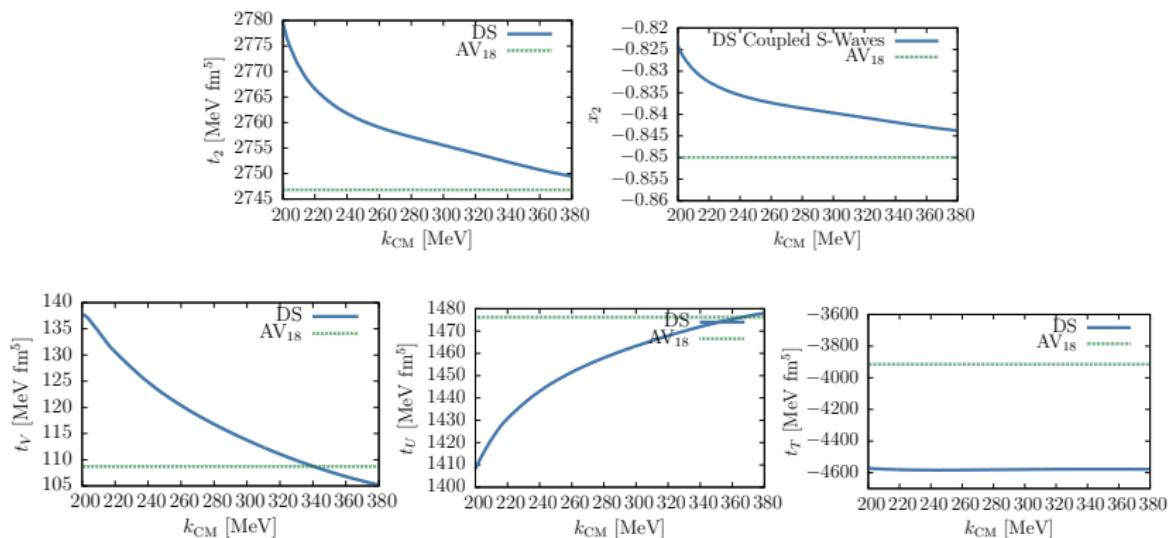
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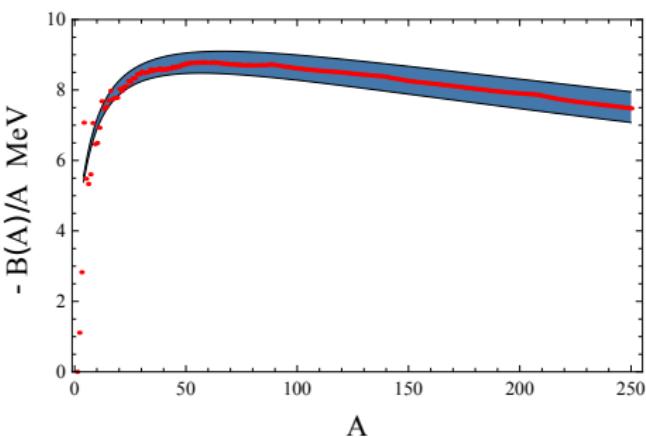


# Skyrme Parameters

- Fermi type shape density

$$\rho(x) = \frac{\rho_0}{1 + e^{(r-R)/a}}$$

- $R = r_0 A^{1/3}$ ,  $r_0 = 1.1\text{fm}$  and  $a = 0.7\text{fm}$
- Error band for stable nuclei binding energy



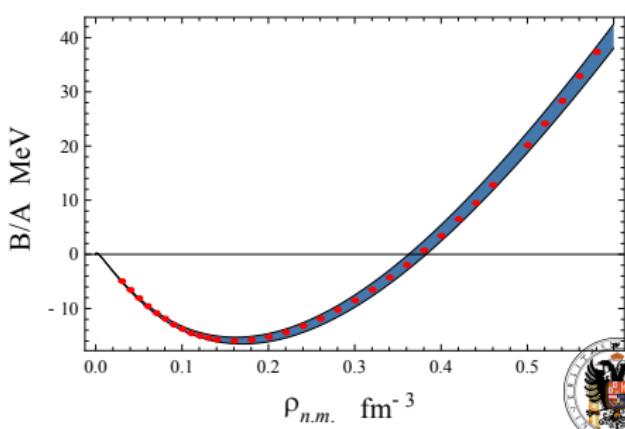
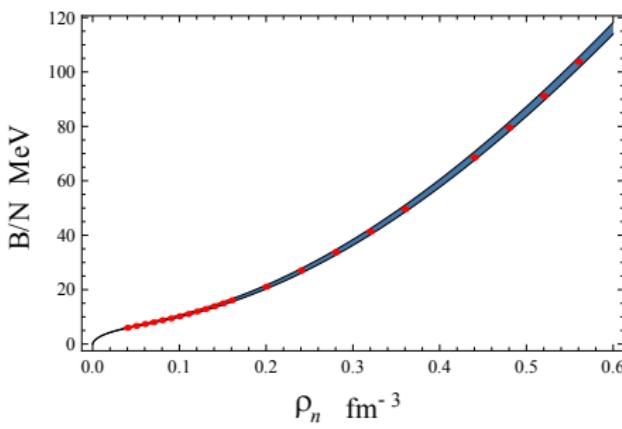
$$\frac{\Delta B}{A} = \frac{3}{8A} \Delta t_0 \int d^3x \rho(x)^2$$



# Skyrme Parameters

- Nuclear and Neutron matter
  - Error grows linearly with the density

$$\frac{\Delta B_{n.m.}}{A} = \frac{3}{8} \Delta t_0 \rho \sim 3.75 \rho$$
$$\frac{\Delta B_n}{A} = \frac{1}{4} \Delta [t_0(1 - x_0)] \rho_n \sim 3.5 \rho_n$$



# SHELL MODEL MATRIX ELEMENTS

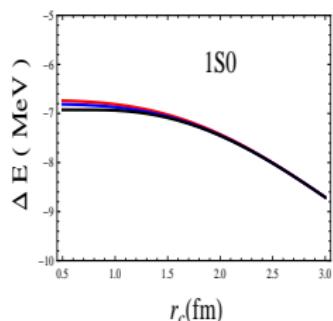


# Renormalization of Nuclear Matrix elements

- ### • Harmonic oscillator shell model

$$V_{\text{HO}}(r) = \frac{r^2}{2M\hbar^4} \rightarrow \epsilon_{nl} = \frac{1}{2M\hbar^2} (4n + 2l - 1)$$

- Distortion due to OPE and TPE  $\rightarrow$  Energy shift  $\Delta\epsilon_{nl}$



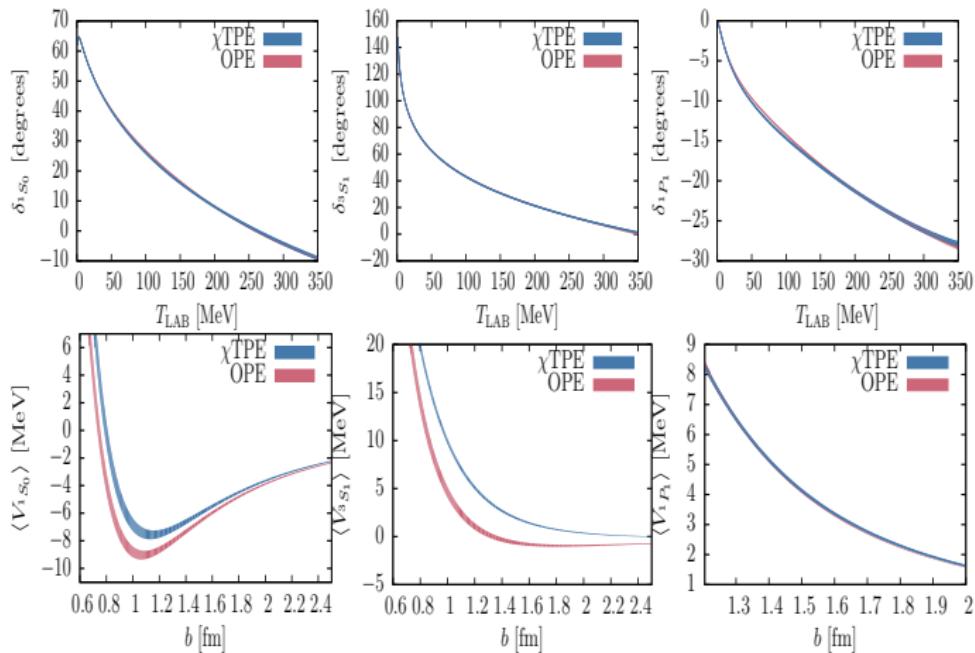
$$\Delta\epsilon_{nl} = \langle \varphi_{nl} | K(\epsilon_{nl} + \Delta\epsilon_{nl}) | \varphi_{nl} \rangle$$

- In order to **see** the differences we need to look into short distances.



# Errors in Nuclear Matrix elements

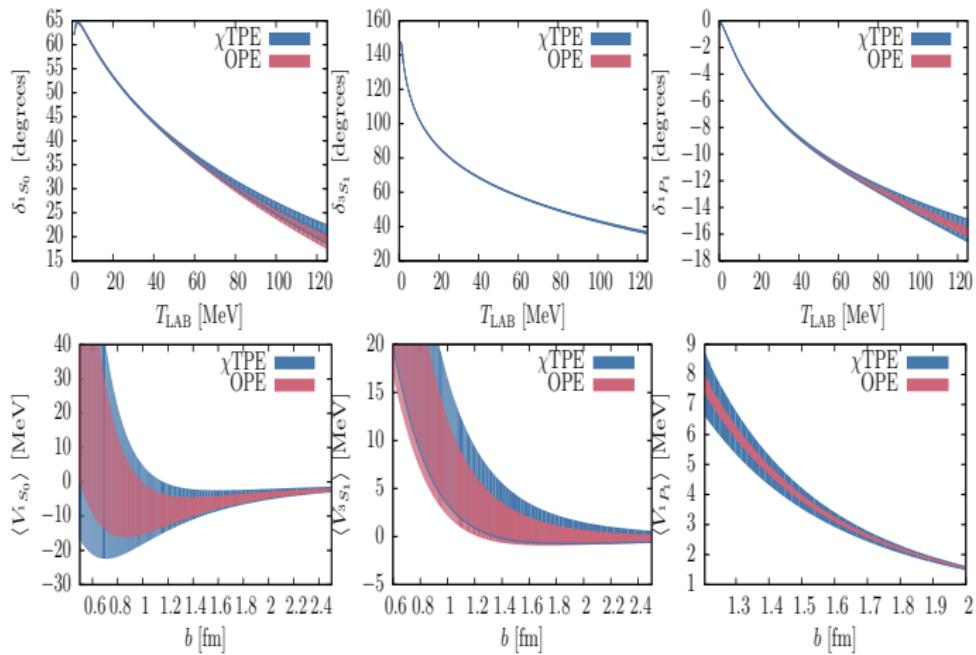
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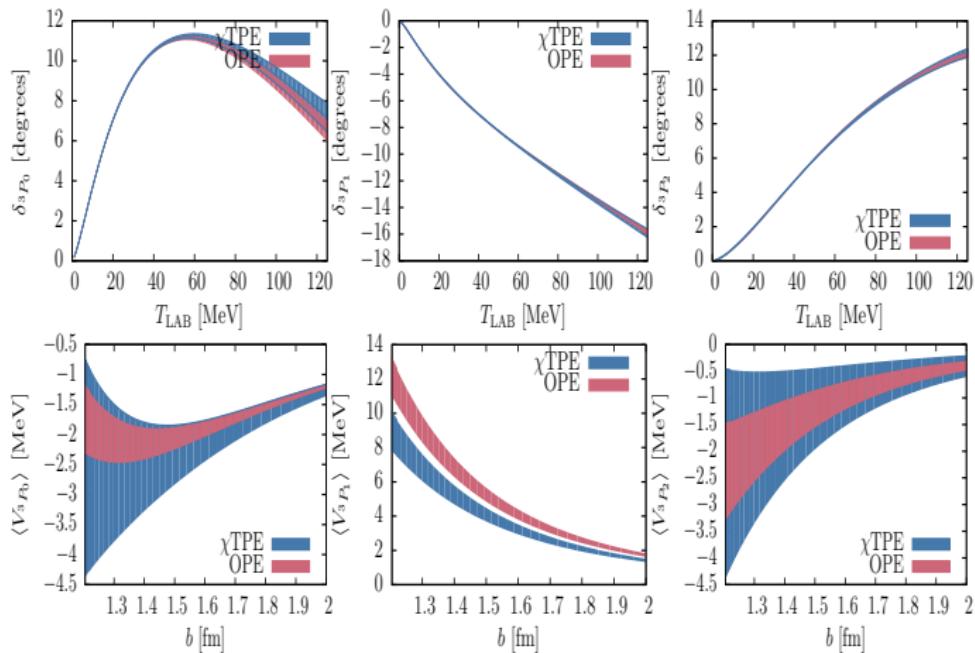
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# CONCLUSIONS



# Summary

- Sampling of the NN interaction by a delta shell potential

$$1/\sqrt{m_\pi M} \lesssim \Delta r \lesssim 1/m_\pi$$

- Quantitative comparison of OPE and Chiral TPE → Reducción of Parameters
  - Statistical uncertainty propagation possible
  - $\delta$ -shell representation allows straightforward calculations
  - Comparing OPE and  $\chi$ TPE matrix elements with errors
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- TAKE AWAY:** Before cranking the machine accuracy make sure it does not exceed theoretical uncertainty

