

Electromagnetic currents in chiral effective field theory

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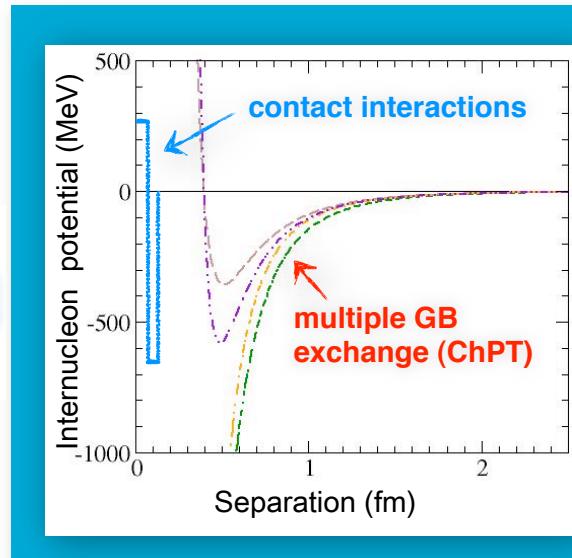
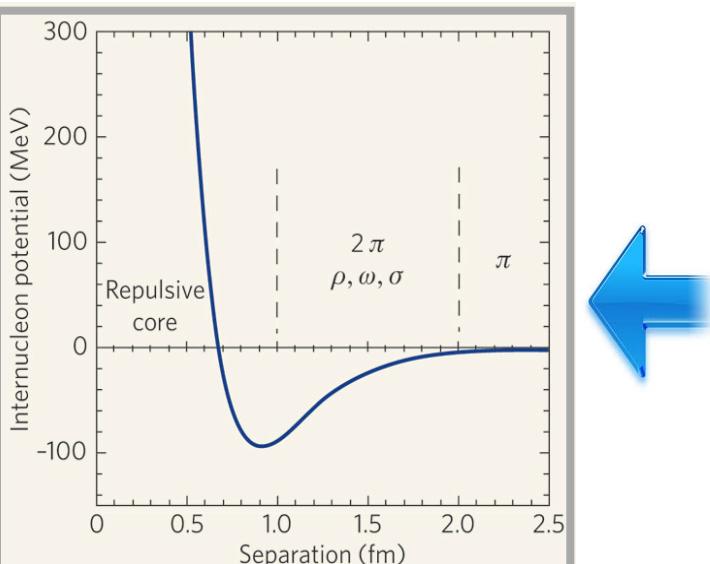
Introduction

The roadmap: QCD → Chiral Perturbation Theory → hadron dynamics

NN interaction is strong, resummations/nonperturbative methods needed...

Simplification: nonrelativistic problem ($|\vec{p}_i| \sim M_\pi \ll m_N$) → the QM A-body problem Weinberg '91

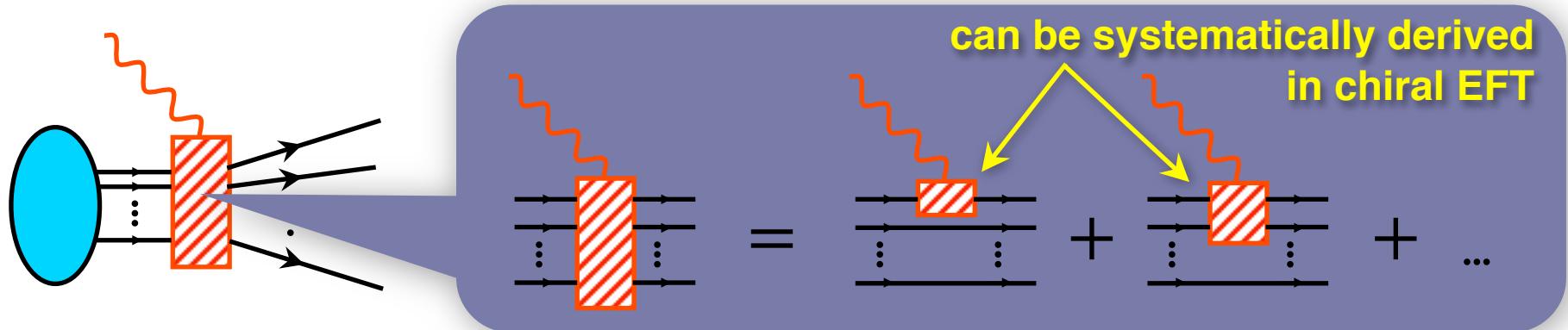
$$\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^A \frac{-\vec{\nabla}_i^2}{2m_N} + \mathcal{O}(m_N^{-3}) \right) + \underbrace{V_{2N} + V_{3N} + V_{4N} + \dots}_{\text{derivable in ChPT}} \right] |\Psi\rangle = E |\Psi\rangle$$



- unified description of $\pi\pi$, πN and NN
- consistent many-body forces and currents
- systematically improvable
- bridging different reactions (electroweak, π -prod., ...)
- precision physics with/from light nuclei

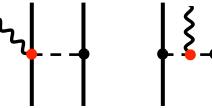
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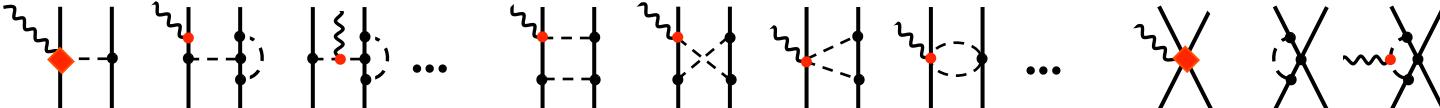
(one-photon exchange approximation)



for Compton scattering see talks by Harald Grießhammer and Winfried Leidemann

Electromagnetic exchange currents

Order eQ^{-1} :  ← well known since decades Chemtob, Rho, Friar, Riska, Adam, ...

Order eQ : 

● First ChPT calculations

Park, Min, Rho '95; Park, Kubodera, Min, Rho; Song, Lazauskas, Park, Min, ...

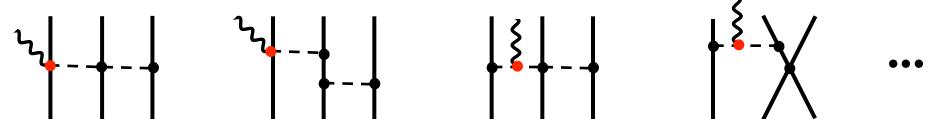
Application to $np \rightarrow d\gamma$ at threshold: $\sigma_{1N} = 306.6 \text{ mb} \longrightarrow \boxed{\sigma_{1N+2N} = 334 \pm 3 \text{ mb}}$

to be compared with $\sigma_{\text{exp}} = 334.2 \pm 0.5 \text{ mb}$

● More recent calculations, general kinematics $\omega \sim M_\pi^2/m, |\vec{q}| \sim M_\pi$

TOPT: Pastore, Schiavilla, Girlanda, Viviani; UT: Kölling, Krebs, EE, Meißner

Notice: 3N diagrams do not yield currents at this order...



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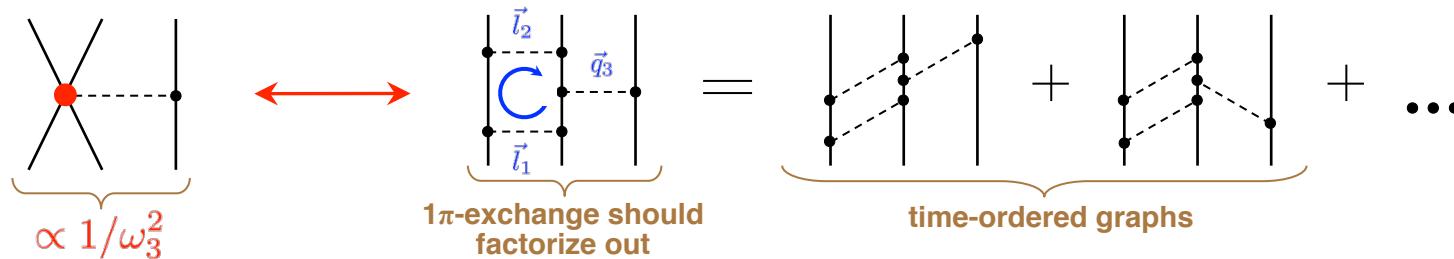
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$$\times \left[2 \frac{\omega_1^2 + \omega_2^2}{\omega_1^4 \omega_2^4 \omega_3^2} + \frac{8}{\omega_1^2 \omega_2^2 \omega_3^4} - \frac{\omega_1 + \omega_2}{\omega_1^3 \omega_2^3 \omega_3^3} - \frac{2}{\omega_1^4 \omega_2^2 \omega_3 (\omega_1 + \omega_3)} - \frac{2}{\omega_1^2 \omega_2^4 \omega_3 (\omega_2 + \omega_3)} \right]$$

→ cannot renormalize the potential !

$$\sqrt{\vec{l}_{1,2}^2 + M_\pi^2}$$

Solution (E.E.'06)

Nuclear potentials are not uniquely defined. Employing additional UTs in Fock space, it was (so far) always possible to maintain renormalizability at the level of the nuclear Hamiltonian. Same problem emerges for the current operators...

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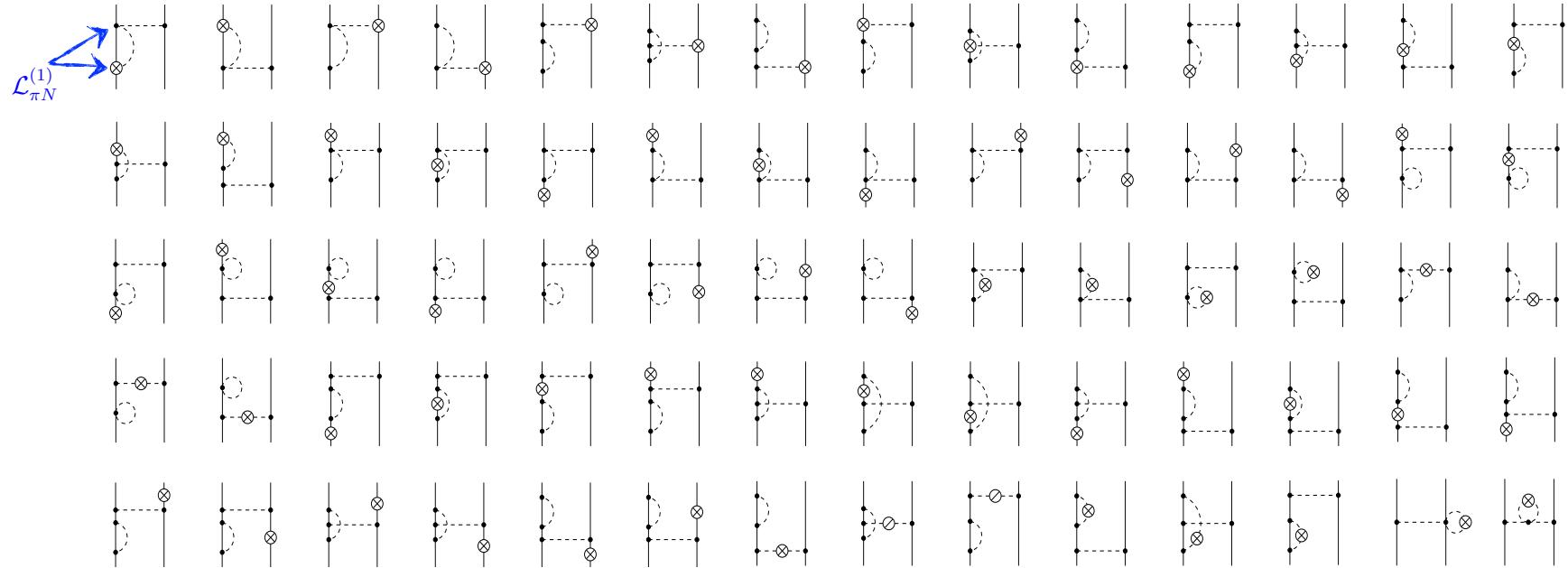
Effective current operator

- „Bare“ current $J^\mu(x) = \partial_\nu \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{\pi N \gamma}}{\partial (\partial_\nu A_\mu)} - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{\pi N \gamma}}{\partial A_\mu}$
- Effective hadronic current $J_\mu \rightarrow \tilde{J}_\mu = U^\dagger \begin{pmatrix} \text{blue square} & \text{blue square} \\ \text{blue square} & \text{blue square} \end{pmatrix} U = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{j}_\mu^{\text{nucl}} & \text{orange square} \\ \text{orange square} & \text{orange square} \end{pmatrix}$
- Need additional, A_μ -dependent UTs $\eta U' \eta \Big|_{A_\mu=0} = 1_\eta$ to enforce renormalizability

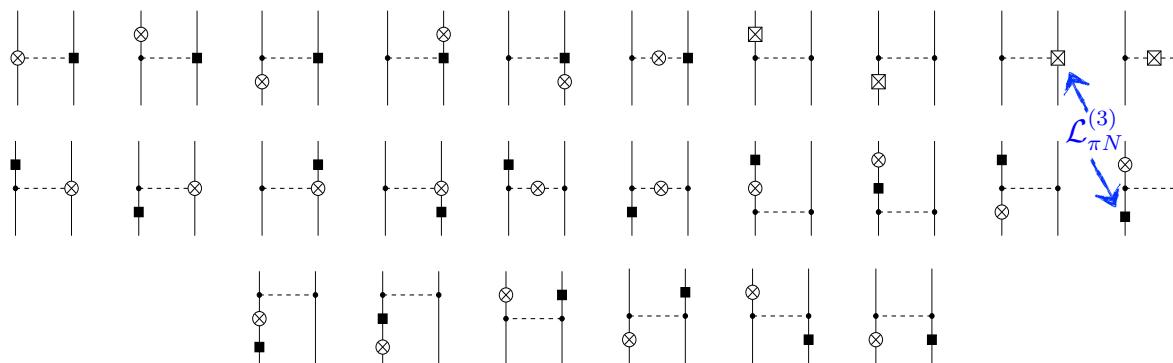
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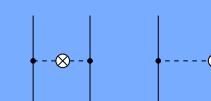
Loop diagrams with $\mathcal{L}_{\pi N}^{(1)}$ -vertices



Tree-level diagrams with 1 insertion from $\mathcal{L}_{\pi N}^{(3)}$



All UV divergences must
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renormalization of the
LO current (F_π, M_π)



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$\bar{d}_{18} = 0.4 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ (Goldberger-Treiman discrepancy)

The LECs \bar{d}_8 , \bar{d}_9 , and $2\bar{d}_{21} - \bar{d}_{22}$ can be determined from pion photoproduction

Fearing, Hemmert, Lewis, Unkmeir '00,
Gasparyan, Lutz '10

$\bar{d}_8 \text{ GeV}^2$	$\bar{d}_9 \text{ GeV}^2$	$\bar{d}_{20} \text{ GeV}^2$	$(2\bar{d}_{21} - \bar{d}_{22}) \text{ GeV}^2$
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One-pion exchange current

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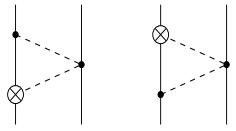
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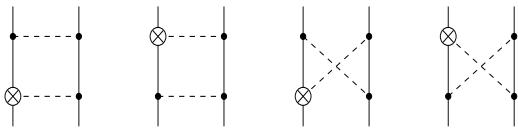
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Two-pion exchange current density

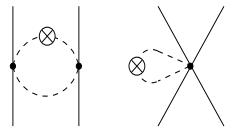
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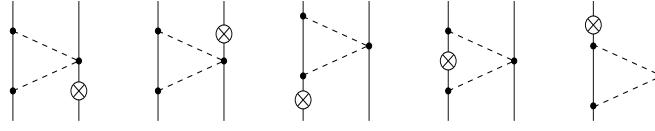
$$\vec{J} = e \frac{g_A^2 M_\pi^7}{128\pi^3 F_\pi^4} [\vec{\nabla}_{10} [\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2]^3 + 2 [\vec{\nabla}_{10} \times \vec{\sigma}_2] \tau_1^3] \delta(\vec{x}_{20}) \frac{K_1(2x_{10})}{x_{10}^2}$$



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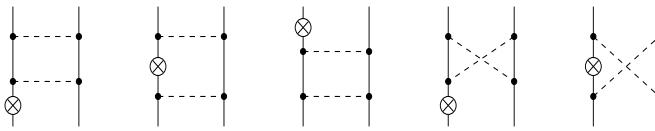


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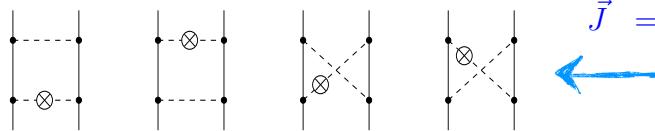


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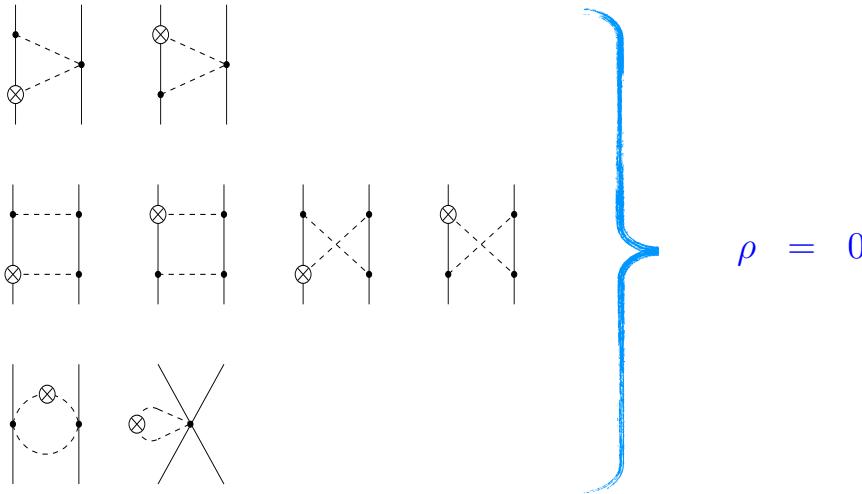


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✓ parameter-free
✓ (almost) complete agreement
with Pastore et al.

Two-pion exchange charge density

Kölling, EE, Krebs, Meißner '09



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- ✓ nonvanishing 2-body density even in the static limit (!)
- ✓ results agree with Pastore et al.

$$\rho = e \frac{g_A^2 M_\pi^7}{256\pi^2 F_\pi^4} \tau_1^3 \delta(\vec{x}_{20}) (\nabla_{10}^2 - 2) \frac{e^{-2x_{10}}}{x_{10}^2}$$

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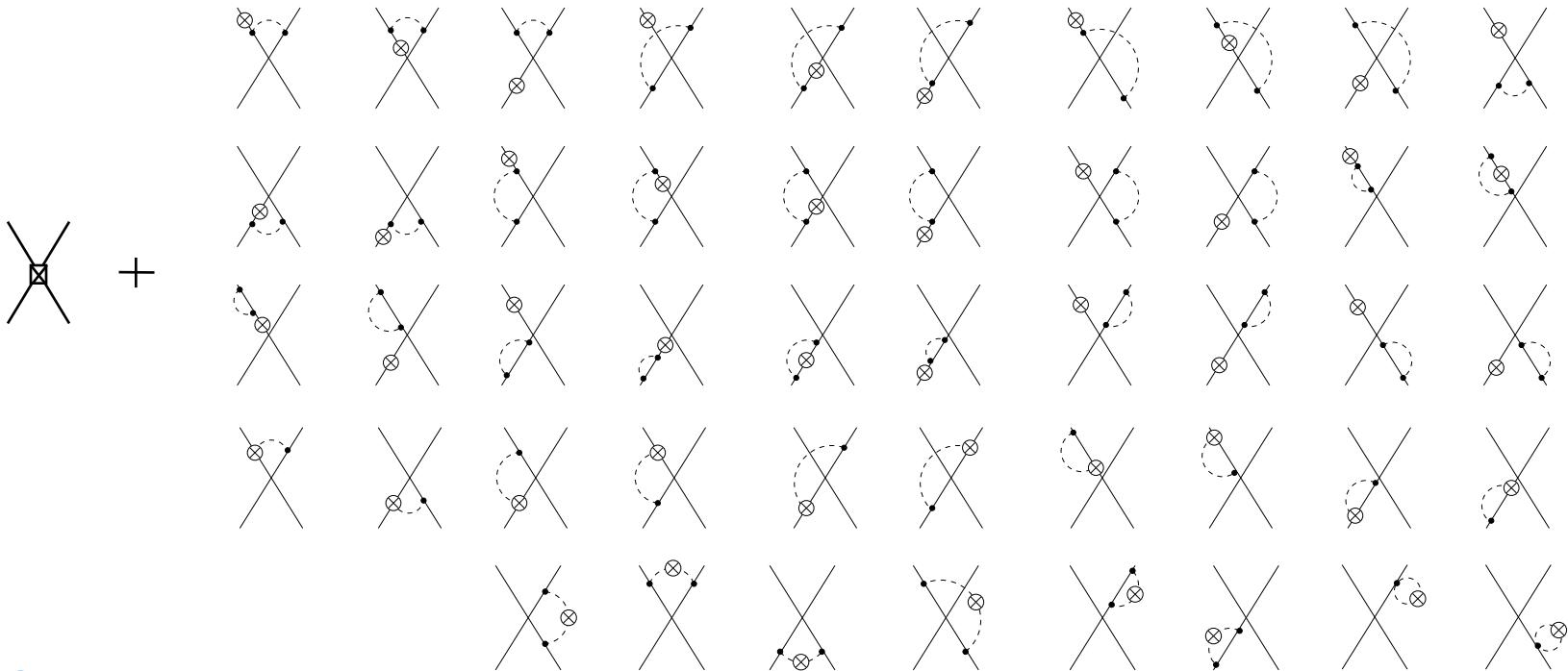
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Short-range currents

Kölling, EE, Krebs, Meißner '11



Current density

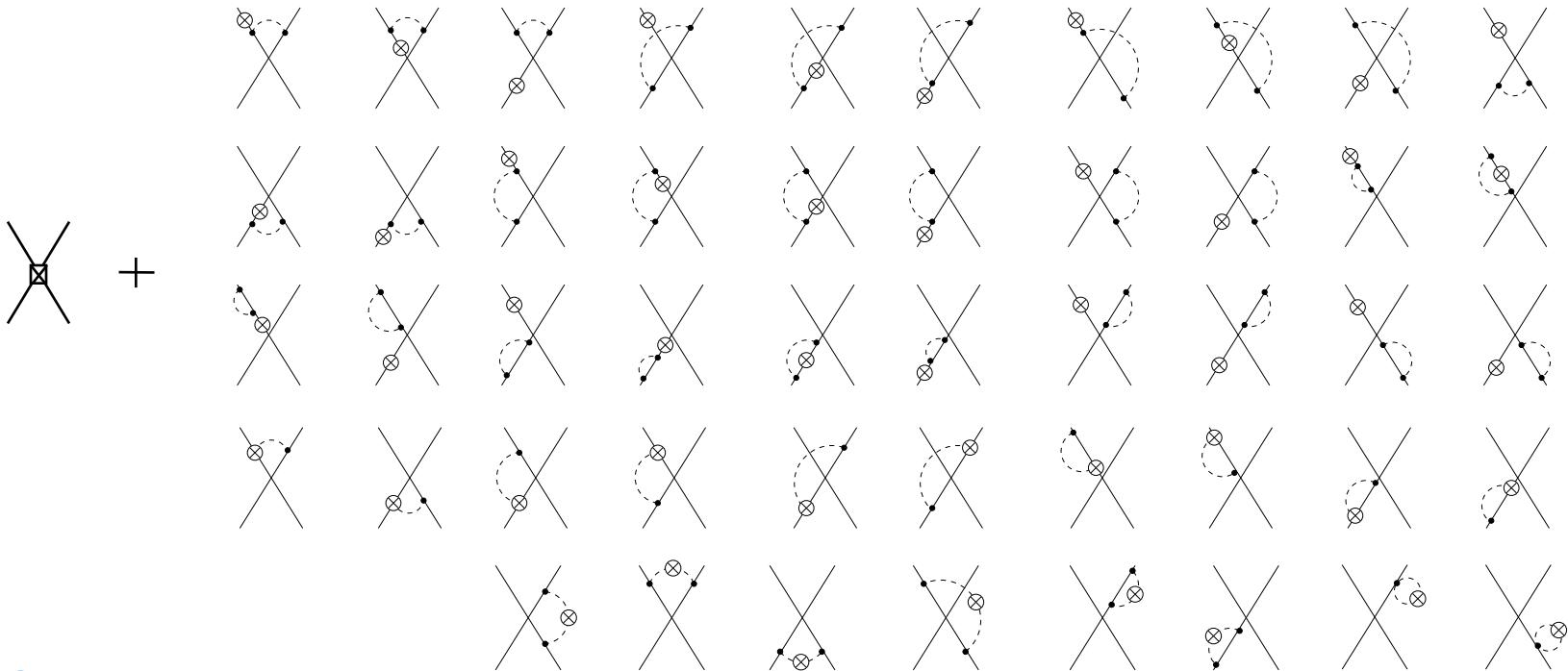
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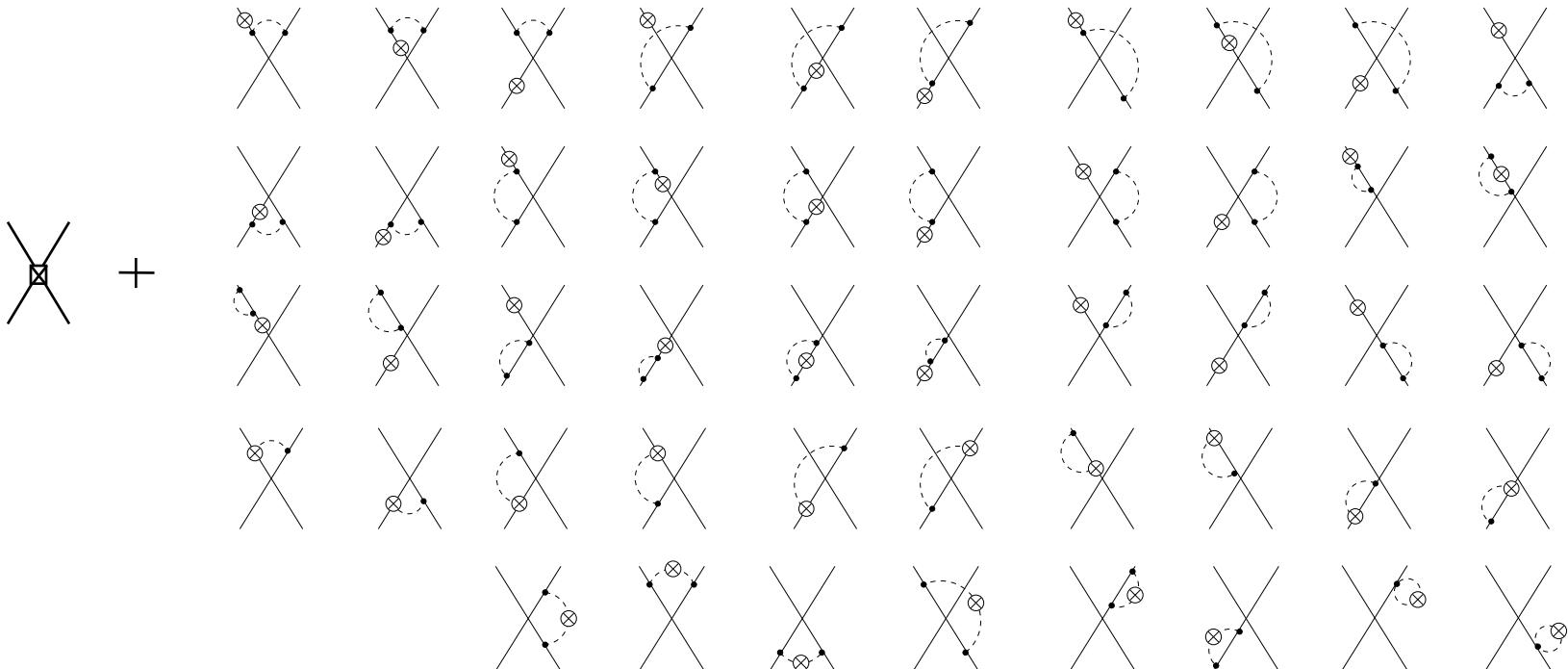
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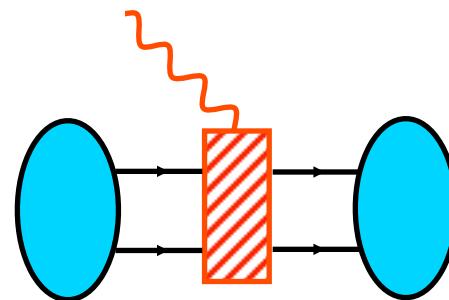
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Pion loop contributions differ from the ones by Pastore et al.

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Exchange currents and the deuteron form factors



for more applications see talks by Sonia Bacca, Tae-Sun Park and Saori Pastore

Em currents and the deuteron form factors

Meißner, Walzl, Phillips, Kölling, EE, ...

- FFs of the deuteron:

$$G_M = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\eta|e|} \langle 1|J^+|0\rangle, \quad G_Q = \frac{1}{2\eta|e|m_d^2} (\langle 0|\rho|0\rangle - \langle 1|\rho|1\rangle), \quad G_C = \frac{1}{3|e|} (\langle 1|\rho|1\rangle + \langle 0|\rho|0\rangle + \langle -1|\rho|-1\rangle)$$

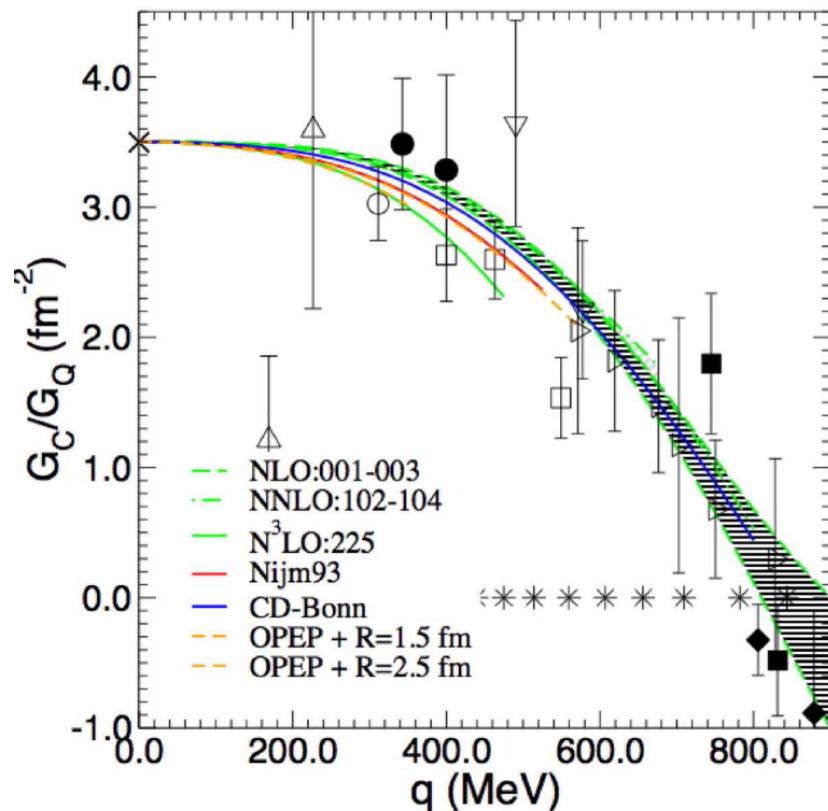
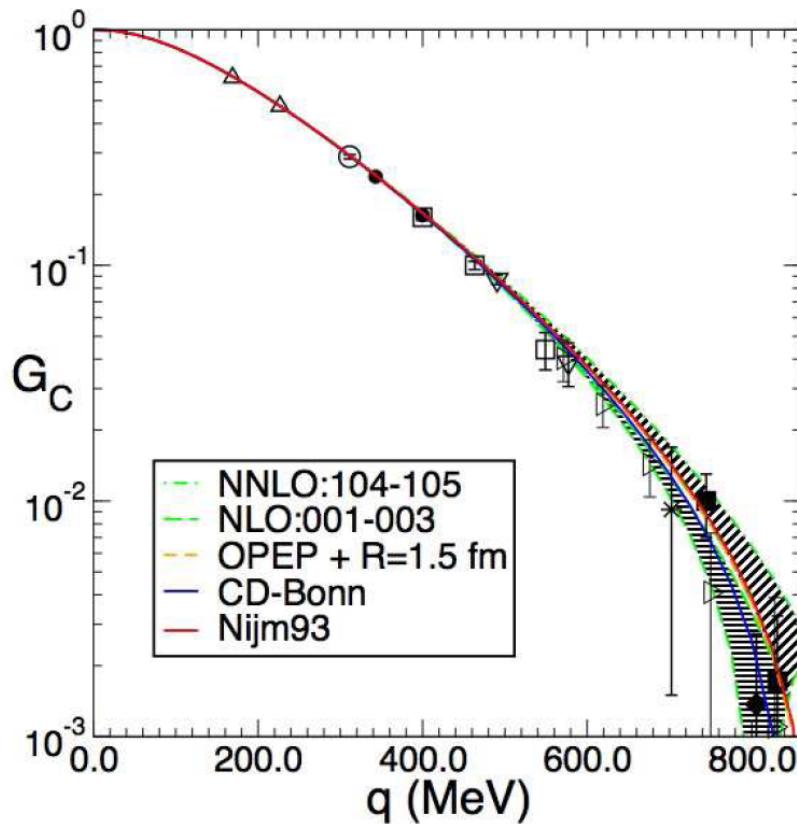
- Using exp. data for 1N FFs as input allows to probe nuclear structure effects [Phillips '03](#)
- Most of the exchange current/charge operators are isovectors. The only relevant isoscalar pieces are:

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$$\rho_{1\pi} = \frac{eg_A^2}{16F_\pi^2 m_N} \vec{\tau}_1 \cdot \vec{\tau}_2 \left[(1-2\bar{\beta}_9) \frac{\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{k} \vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot \vec{q}_2}{q_2^2 + M_\pi^2} + (2\bar{\beta}_8 - 1) \frac{\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{q}_2 \vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot \vec{q}_2}{(q_2^2 + M_\pi^2)^2} \vec{q}_2 \cdot \vec{k}_1 \right]$$
$$\vec{J}_{\text{contact}} = ieL_2 [(\vec{\sigma}_1 + \vec{\sigma}_2) \times \vec{q}_1]$$

- The constants $\bar{\beta}_{8,9}$ parametrize the unitary ambiguity & have to be chosen consistently with the potential [Friar '80, Adam, Goller, Arenhövel '93, EE, Glöckle, Meißner '04](#)
- The LECs \bar{d}_9, L_2 contribute to the magnetic FF

Em currents and the deuteron form factors

Phillips '07



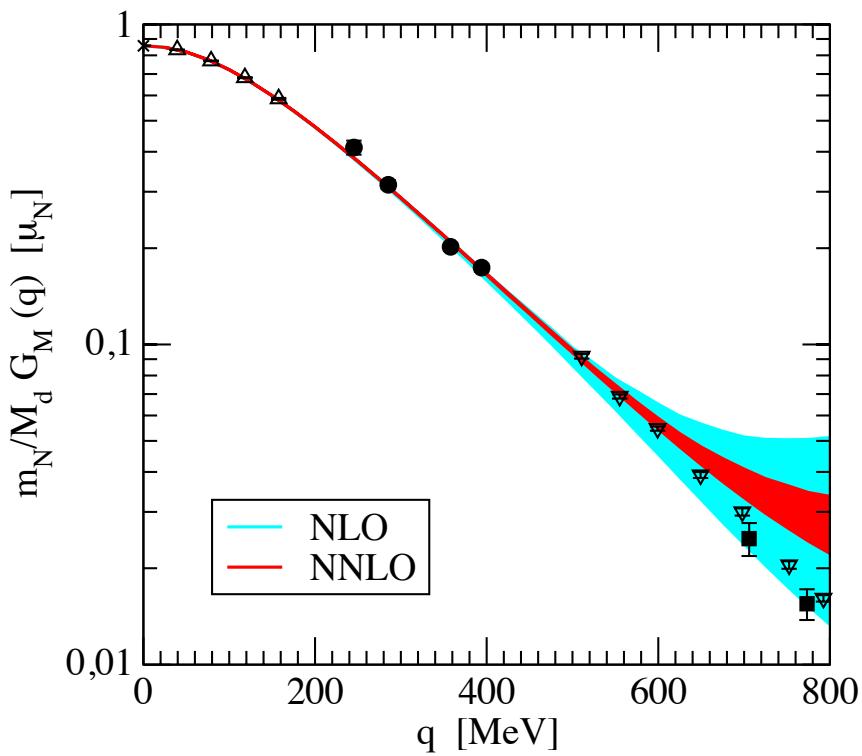
(from Phillips, J. Phys. G 34 (2007) 365)

- G_C : parameter-free prediction; G_C/G_Q : 1 short-range term fitted to the quadrupole moment;
- In both cases 1N FFs used as input...

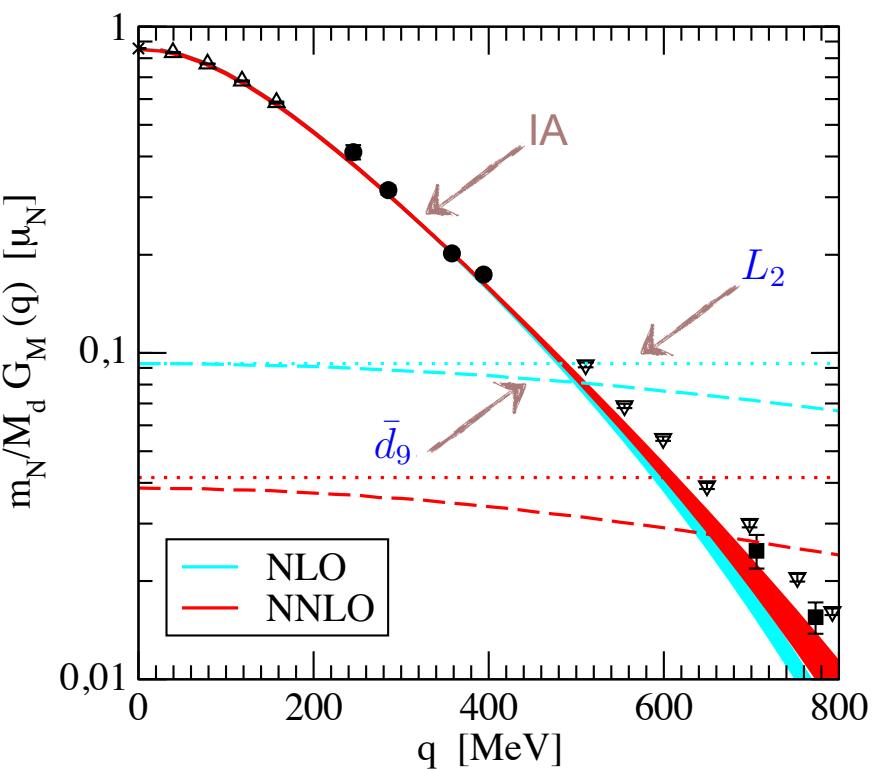
Em currents and the deuteron form factors

Kölling, EE, Phillips '12

Deuteron magnetic form factor



IA and exchange current contributions

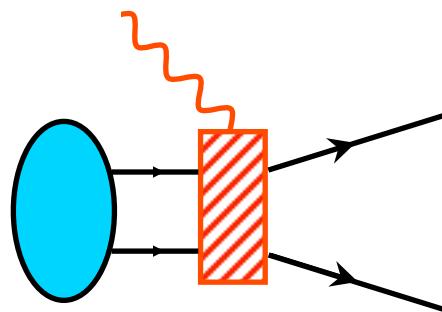


- 1N form factors from Belushkin, Hammer, Meißner '07
- \bar{d}_9 , L_2 fitted to the deuteron magnetic moment and FF for $q < 400$ MeV:

$$\bar{d}_9 = -0.01 \dots 0.01 \text{ GeV}^{-2} \quad L_2 = 0.28 \dots 0.48 \text{ GeV}^{-4} \quad (\text{NNLO WF})$$

Pion photoproduction: $\bar{d}_9 = -0.06 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ Gasparyan, Lutz '10

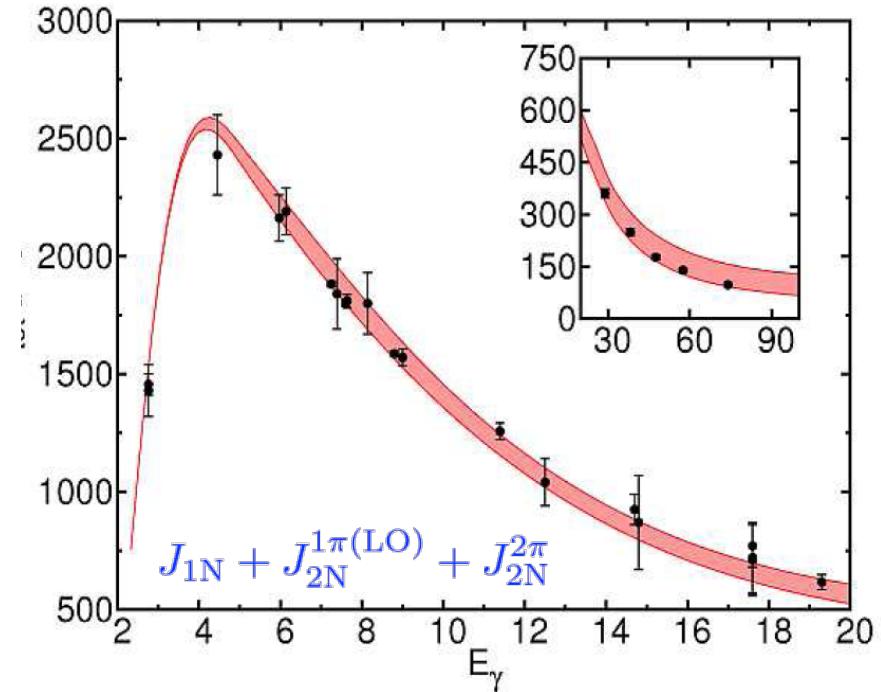
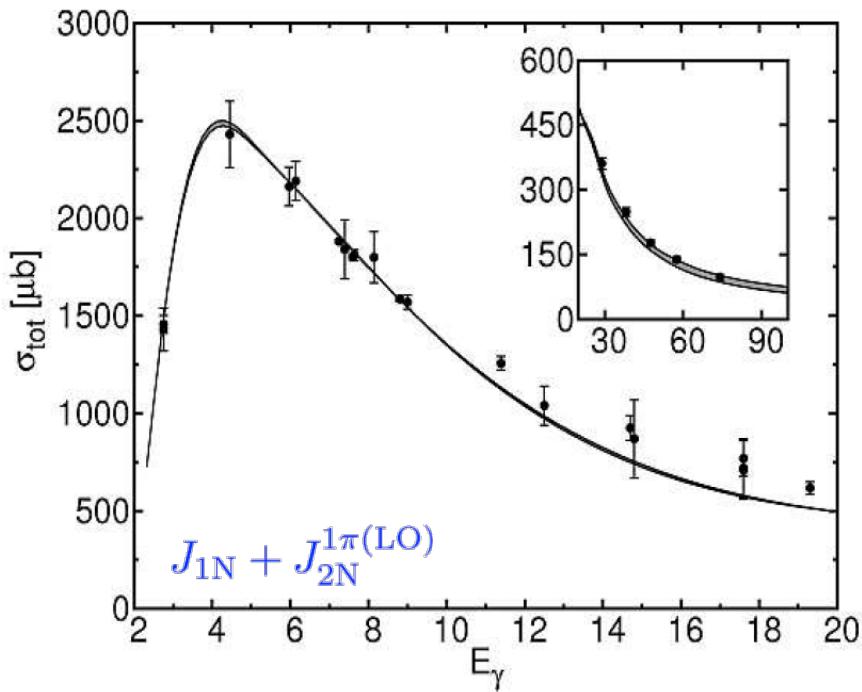
2π -exchange current and ^2H / ^3He photodisintegration



Deuteron photodisintegration

Rozpedzik, Golak, Kölling, EE, Skibinski, Witala, Nogga '11

Sensitivity of the total cross section to the 2π -exchange current

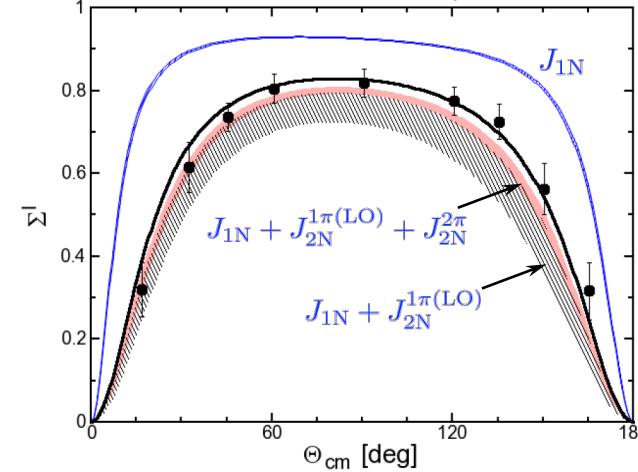
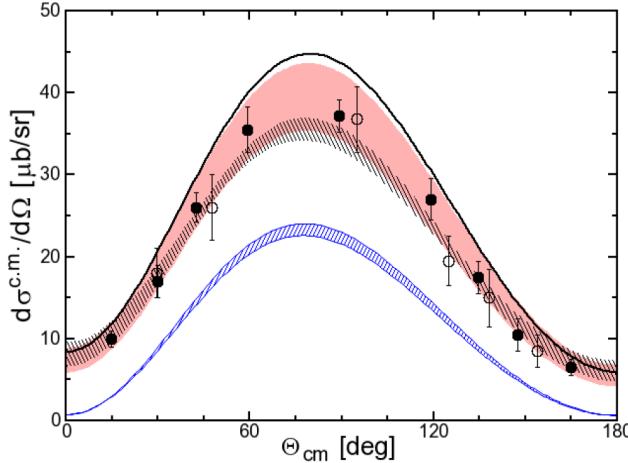


short-range & (subleading) 1π -exchange terms still to be included

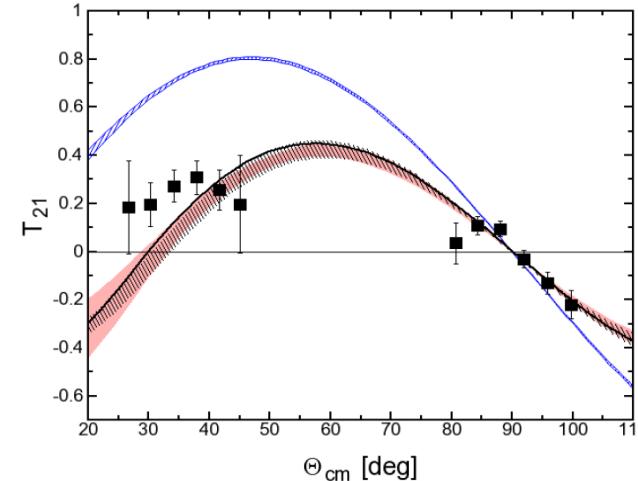
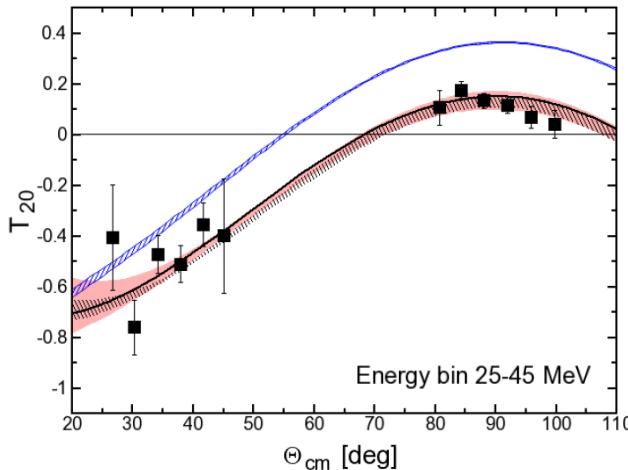
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Cross section and photon analyzing power at $E_\gamma = 30$ MeV



Deuteron tensor analyzing powers

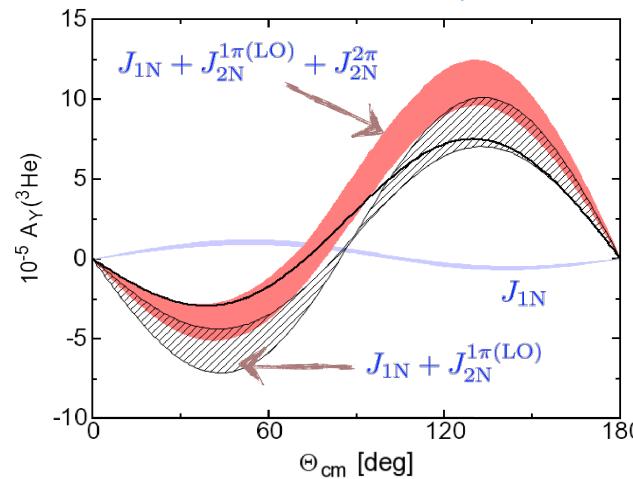
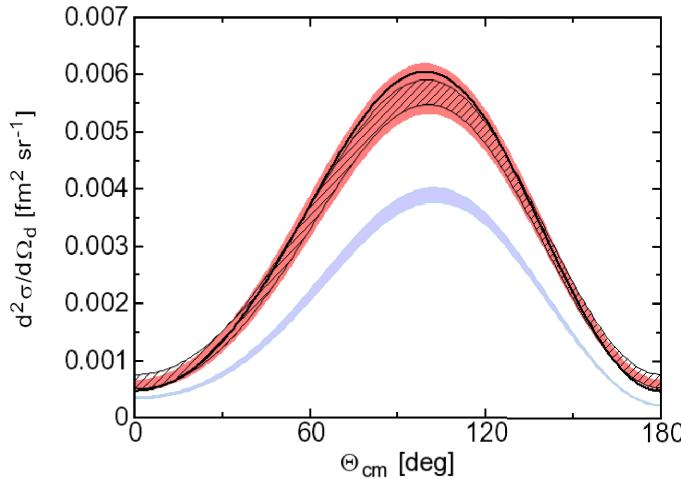


large sensitivity to MEC; short-range & 1π -exchange terms still to be included

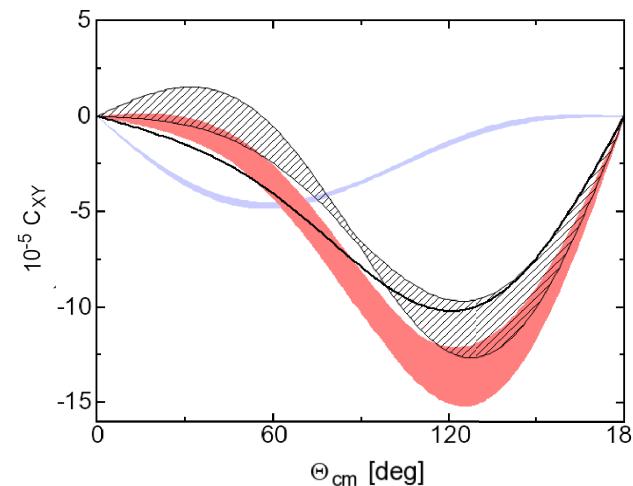
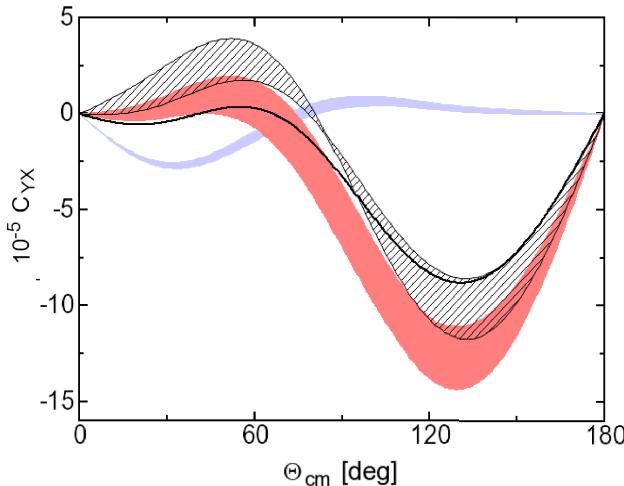
^3He 2-body photodisintegration

Rozpedzik, Golak, Kölling, EE, Skibinski, Witala, Krebs '11

Cross section and photon analyzing power at $E_\gamma = 20$ MeV



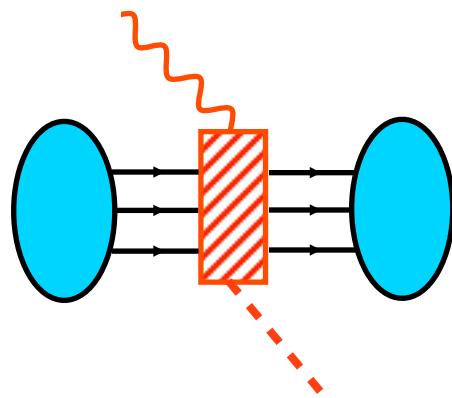
Spin correlation coefficients



large sensitivity to MEC; short-range & 1π -exchange terms still to be included

Coherent pion photoproduction off ${}^3\text{He}$

Lenkewitz, EE, Hammer, Meißner '11, '12



Neutral pion photoproduction off ${}^3\text{He}$

Motivation

- Testing chiral EFT (2NF + 3NF + currents)
- Use reactions $\pi^- d \rightarrow nn\gamma$ and $d\gamma \rightarrow nn\pi^+$ to extract nn scattering length
Gardestig, Phillips '06; Lensky, Baru, EE, Hanhart, Haidenbauer, Kudryavtsev, Meißner '07
- Pion production off light nuclei and the neutron amplitude.

Pion electroproduction amplitude off a spin-1/2 particle at threshold:

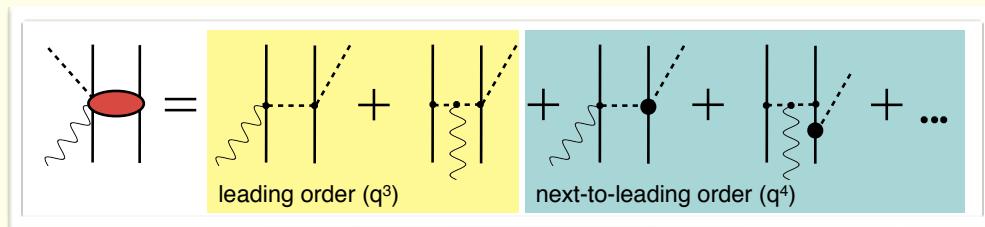
$$\mathcal{M}_\lambda = 2i E_{0+} (\vec{\epsilon}_{\lambda,T} \cdot \vec{S}) + 2i L_{0+} (\vec{\epsilon}_{\lambda,L} \cdot \vec{S})$$

ChPT predictions at q^4 (in units of $10^{-3} M_{\pi^+}^{-1}$): $E_{0+}^{\pi^0 p} = -1.16$, $E_{0+}^{\pi^0 n} = +2.13$
Bernard, Kaiser, Meißner '96, '01
 $L_{0+}^{\pi^0 p} = -1.35$, $L_{0+}^{\pi^0 n} = -2.41$

Pion photo- and electroproduction off ${}^2\text{H}$ explored theoretically and experimentally
Theory: Beane, Bernard, Lee, Meißner, van Kolck '97, Krebs, Bernard, Meißner '04; Experiment: Saclay, Saskatoon

${}^3\text{He}$ as an effective neutron target: order- q^4 calculation Lenkewitz, EE, Hammer, Meißner '11, '12

- No 3N currents at order q^4
- 2N currents purely long-range and parameter free
- Use Monte-Carlo integration to compute convolution integrals with the chiral ${}^3\text{He}$ WF



Neutral pion photoproduction off ${}^3\text{He}$

Individual contributions to the three-nucleon multipoles

${}^3\text{He}$	1N (q^4)	2N (q^3)	1N-boost	2N-static (q^4)	2N-recoil (q^4)	total
$E_{0+} [10^{-3}/M_{\pi^+}]$	+1.71(4)(9)	-3.95(3)	-0.23(1)	-0.02(0)(1)	+0.01(2)(1)	-2.48(11)
$L_{0+} [10^{-3}/M_{\pi^+}]$	-1.89(4)(9)	-3.09(2)	-0.00(0)	-0.07(1)(1)	+0.07(7)(0)	-4.98(12)
${}^3\text{H}$	1N (q^4)	2N (q^3)	1N-boost	2N-static (q^4)	2N-recoil (q^4)	total
$E_{0+} [10^{-3}/M_{\pi^+}]$	-0.93(3)(5)	-4.01(3)	-0.35(1)	-0.02(1)(1)	+0.01(2)(0)	-5.28(7)
$L_{0+} [10^{-3}/M_{\pi^+}]$	-0.99(4)(5)	-3.13(1)	-0.02(0)	-0.07(0)(1)	+0.07(7)(0)	-4.14(10)

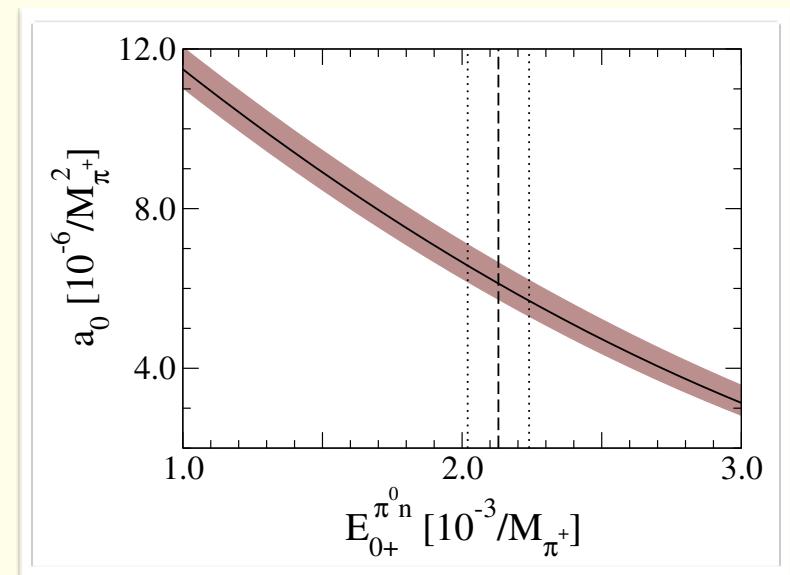
- small q^4 2N terms, reliable nuclear corrections
- a large sensitivity of the S-wave threshold photoproduction cross section

$$a_0 = \left| \frac{\vec{k}}{\vec{q}} \right| \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \Big|_{q=0} = |E_{0+}^{\pi^0 {}^3\text{He}}|^2$$

to the elementary multipole $E_{0+}^{\pi^0 n}$

- Our prediction $E_{0+}^{\pi^0 {}^3\text{He}} = -2.48(11)$ versus (model-dependent) extraction from the Saclay measurement $E_{0+}^{\pi^0 {}^3\text{He}} = -2.8 \pm 0.2$

Argan et al. '80, '88



Summary and outlook

E.m. exchange current & charge density

- worked out at leading loop order (ready-to-use expressions available)
- 1π -exchange terms depend on a few LECs (some of which are poorly known),
 2π -exchange terms parameter-free, short-range currents depend on $L_{1,2}$

Converged? To be done: subleading 1-loop contributions and/or chiral EFT with Δ

Elastic form factors of the deuteron

- good agreement with the data (provided 1N FFs are used as input)
- the extracted value of d_9 consistent with other determinations

To be done: extension to the 3N and 4N systems (to probe isovector currents)

$^2\text{H}/^3\text{He}$ photodisintegration

- the best place to test the currents, seems to be sensitive to individual terms
- To be done: complete analysis including 1π and short-range contributions

Neutral pion photoproduction off ^3He

- large sensitivity to the neutron multipole, nuclear corrections well under control
- prediction for ^3He , experiments called for!

To be done: extensions beyond threshold, check of convergence, heavier nuclei, ...