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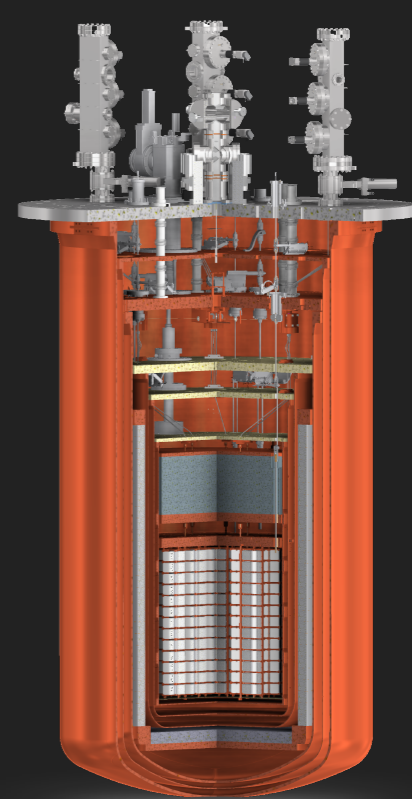
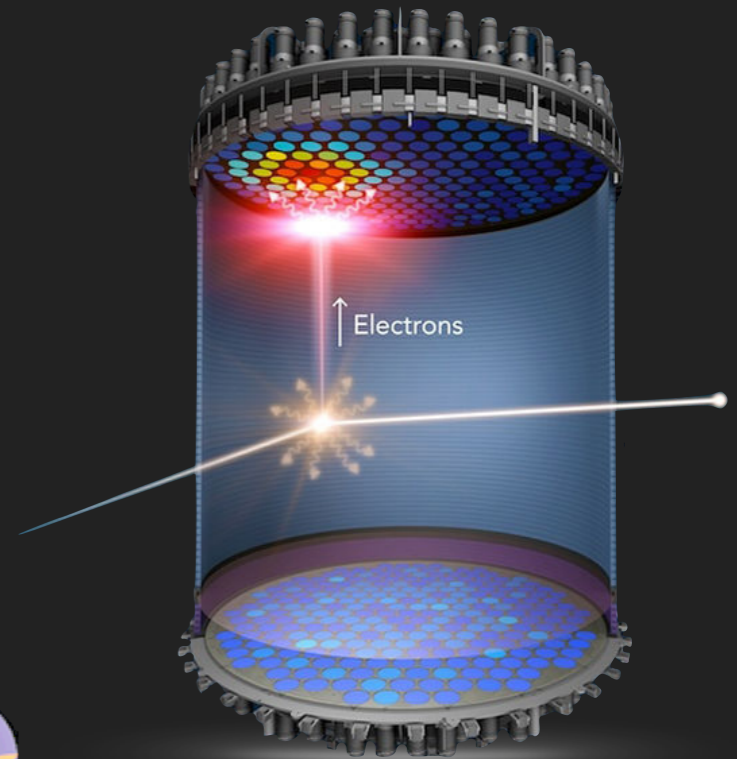
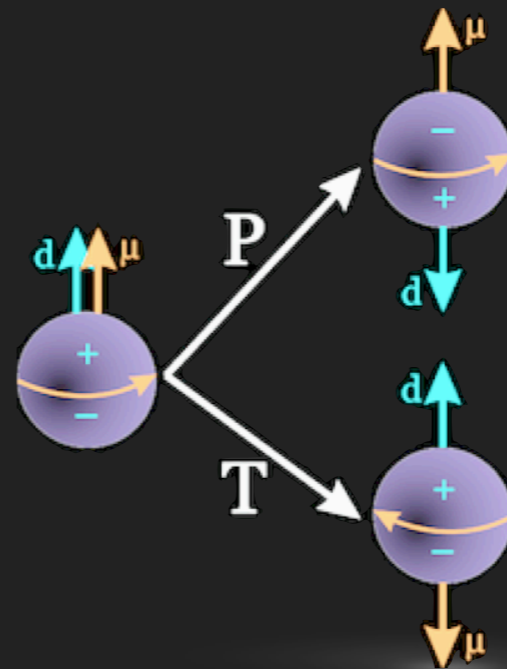
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FINITE VOLUME EFFECTIVE FIELD THEORY FOR NUCLEI

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NUCLEI AT THE INTENSITY FRONTIER

- ▶ Nuclei are vital to experiments
 - ▶ Dark matter direct detection
 - ▶ Long baseline neutrino experiments (DUNE)
 - ▶ Lepton flavour violation: $\mu \rightarrow e$
 - ▶ Precision spectroscopy
 - ▶ Electric dipole moments of neutrons and nuclei
 - ▶ Neutrinoless double beta decay

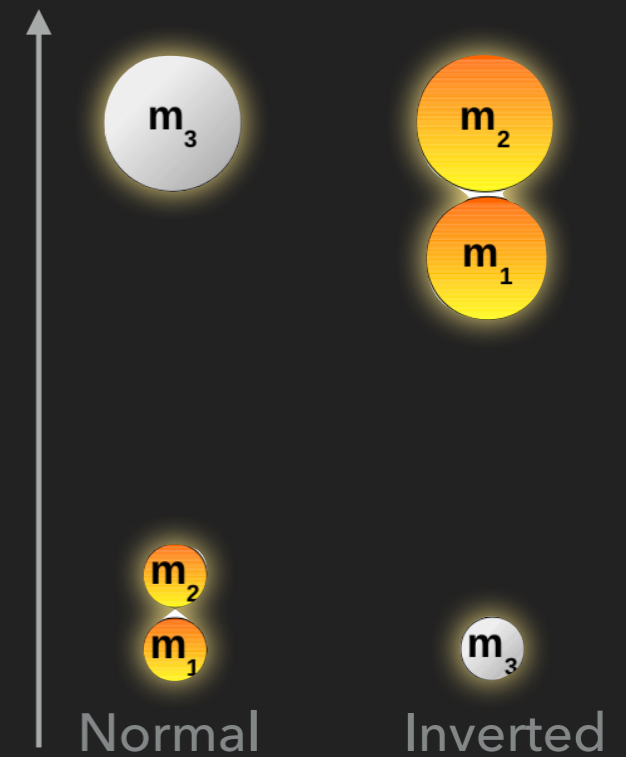


LONG BASELINE NEUTRINO EXPERIMENTS

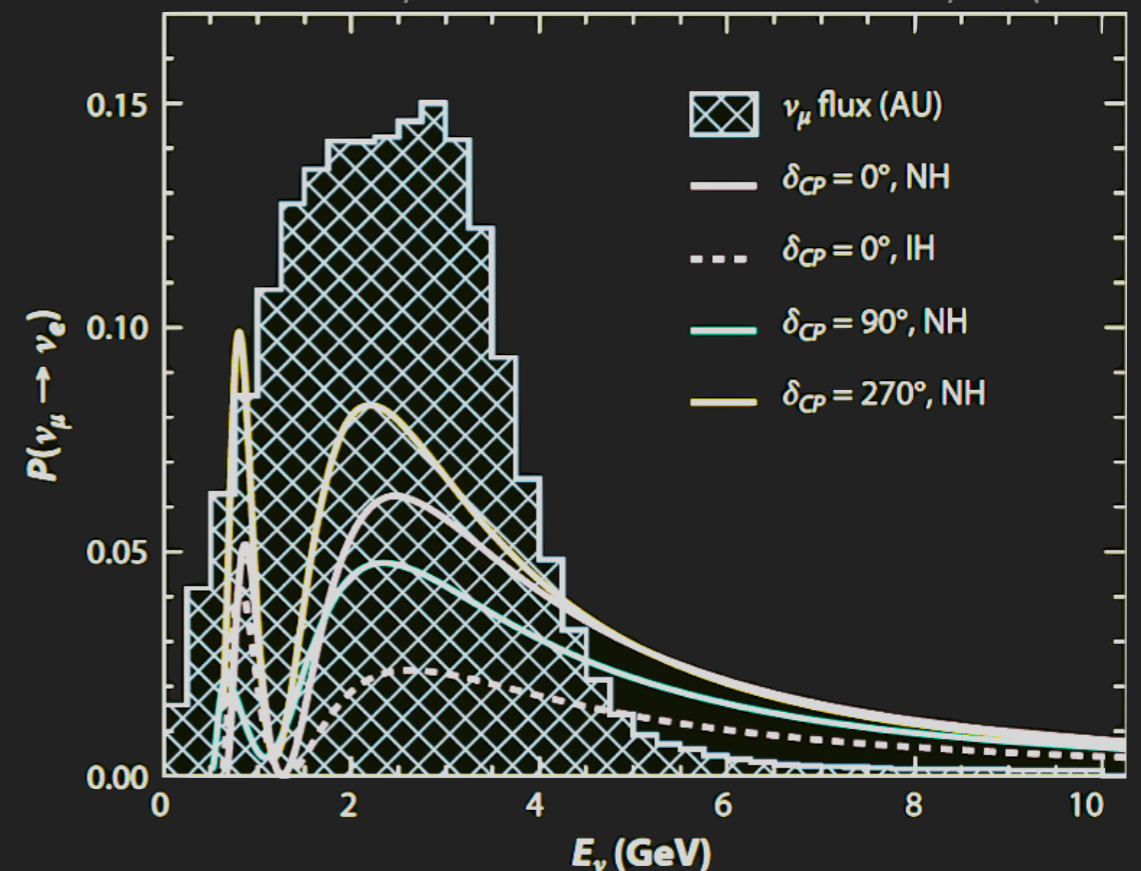
- ▶ Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment
 - ▶ Flagship facility for US HEP for next decades
 - ▶ Determine neutrino mass hierarchy and extract mixing parameters

- ▶ Neutrino scattering on argon target
 - ▶ Need fluxes/energies to high accuracy
 - ▶ Need to know neutrino interactions with argon over a wide range of energies

Neutrino Mass²

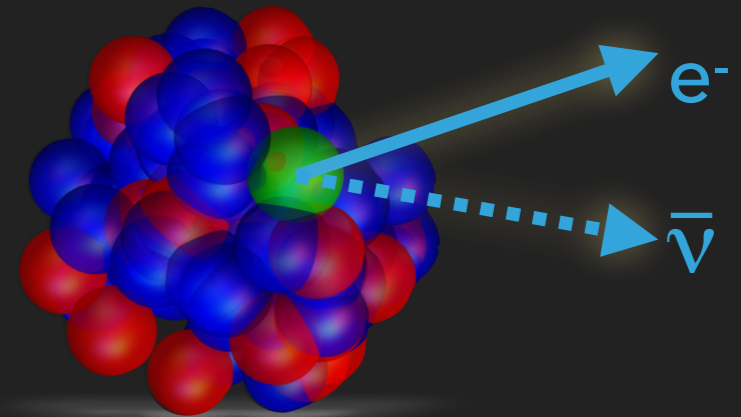


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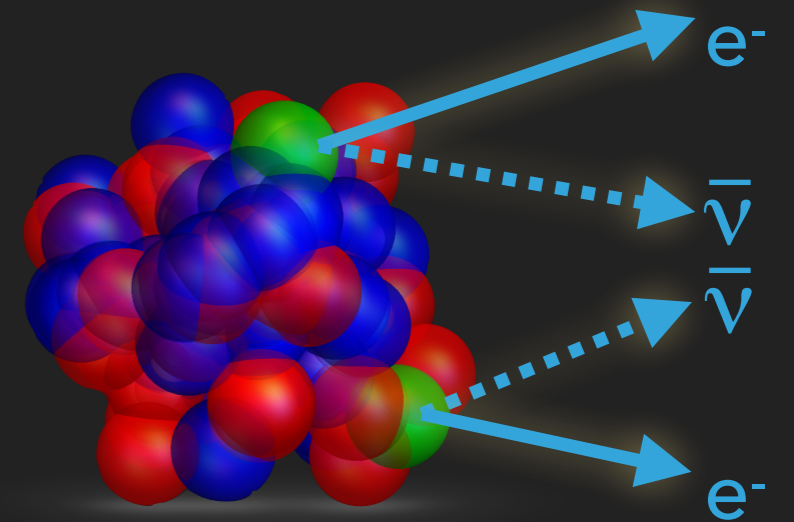


DOUBLE BETA DECAY

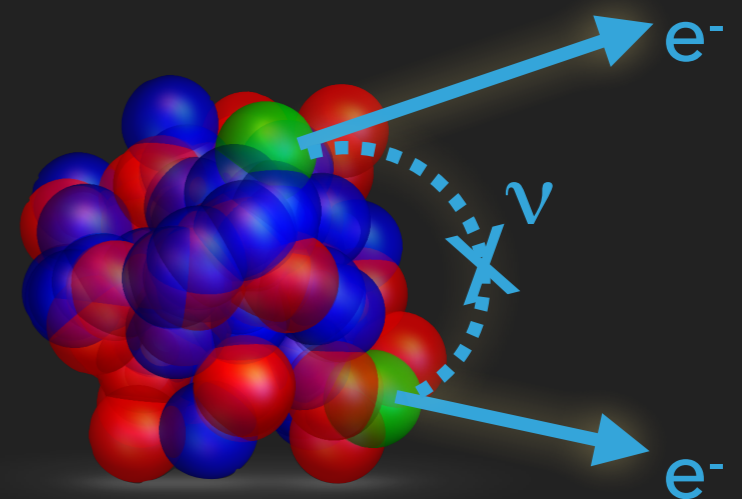
- ▶ Double β -decay
 - ▶ Neutrinoless case is rarest process observed
 - ▶ Neutrinoless case
 - ▶ Majorana particles? Lepton number violation? Baryon-antibaryon asymmetry?
 - ▶ Rates depend on nuclear matrix elements
 - ▶ Currently quite uncertain
 - ▶ Important for design of future DBD search experiments



Beta decay



Two neutrino double β -decay



Neutrinoless double β -decay

DARK MATTER INTERACTIONS

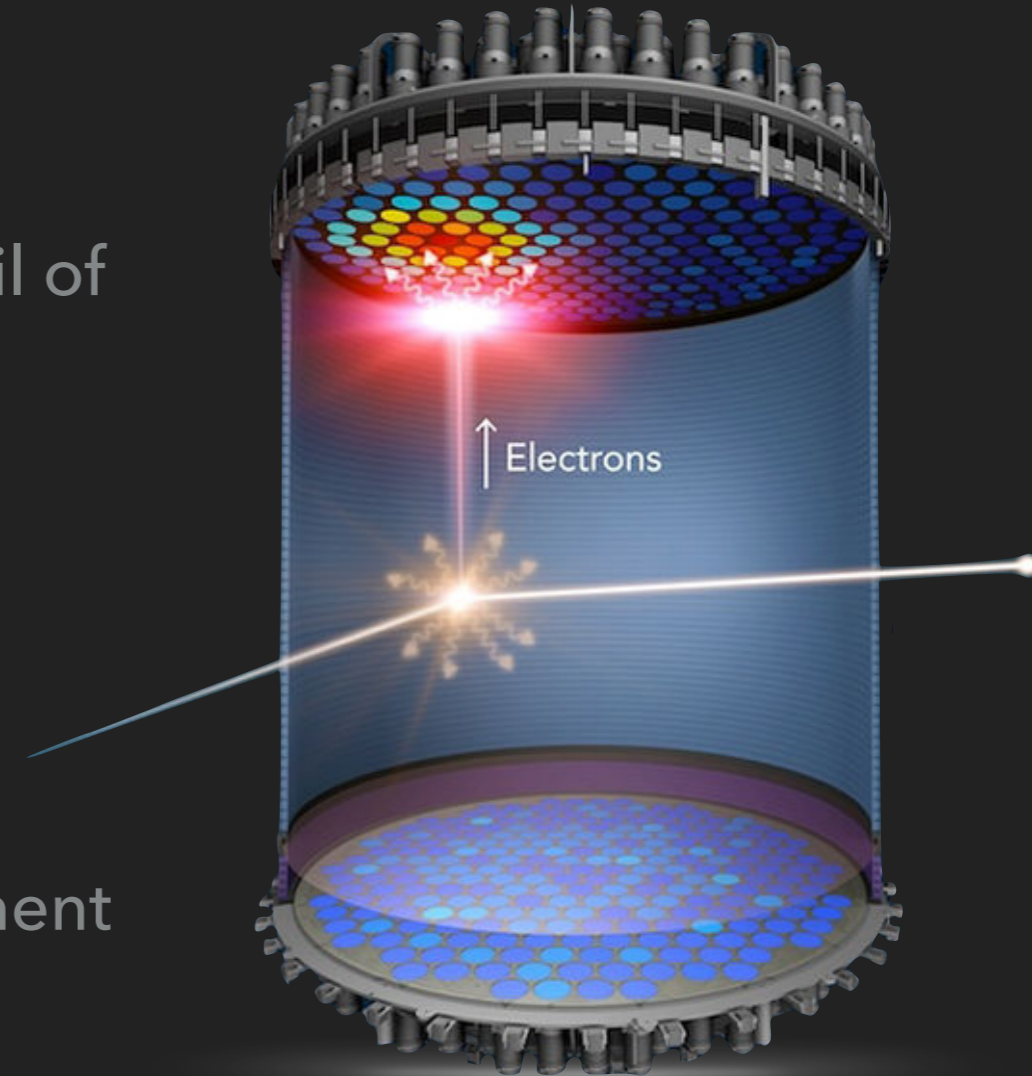
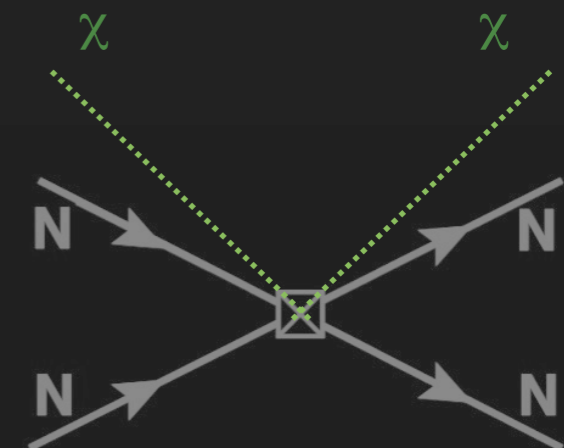
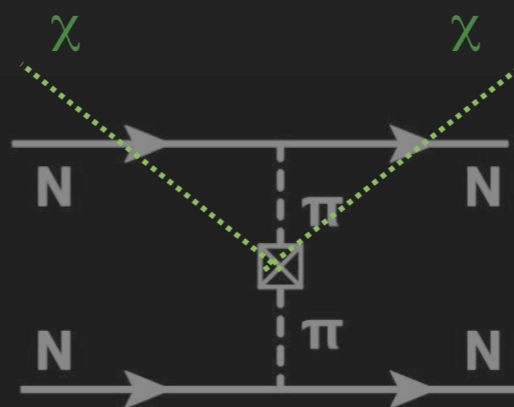
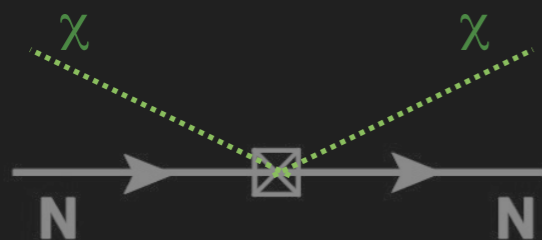
- ▶ DM direct detection experiments search for recoil of nucleus from DM scattering
- ▶ One popular class of DM interactions is through scalar exchange

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{G_F}{2} \sum_q \kappa_q (\bar{\chi}\chi) (\bar{q}q)$$

- ▶ Direct detection depends on nuclear matrix element

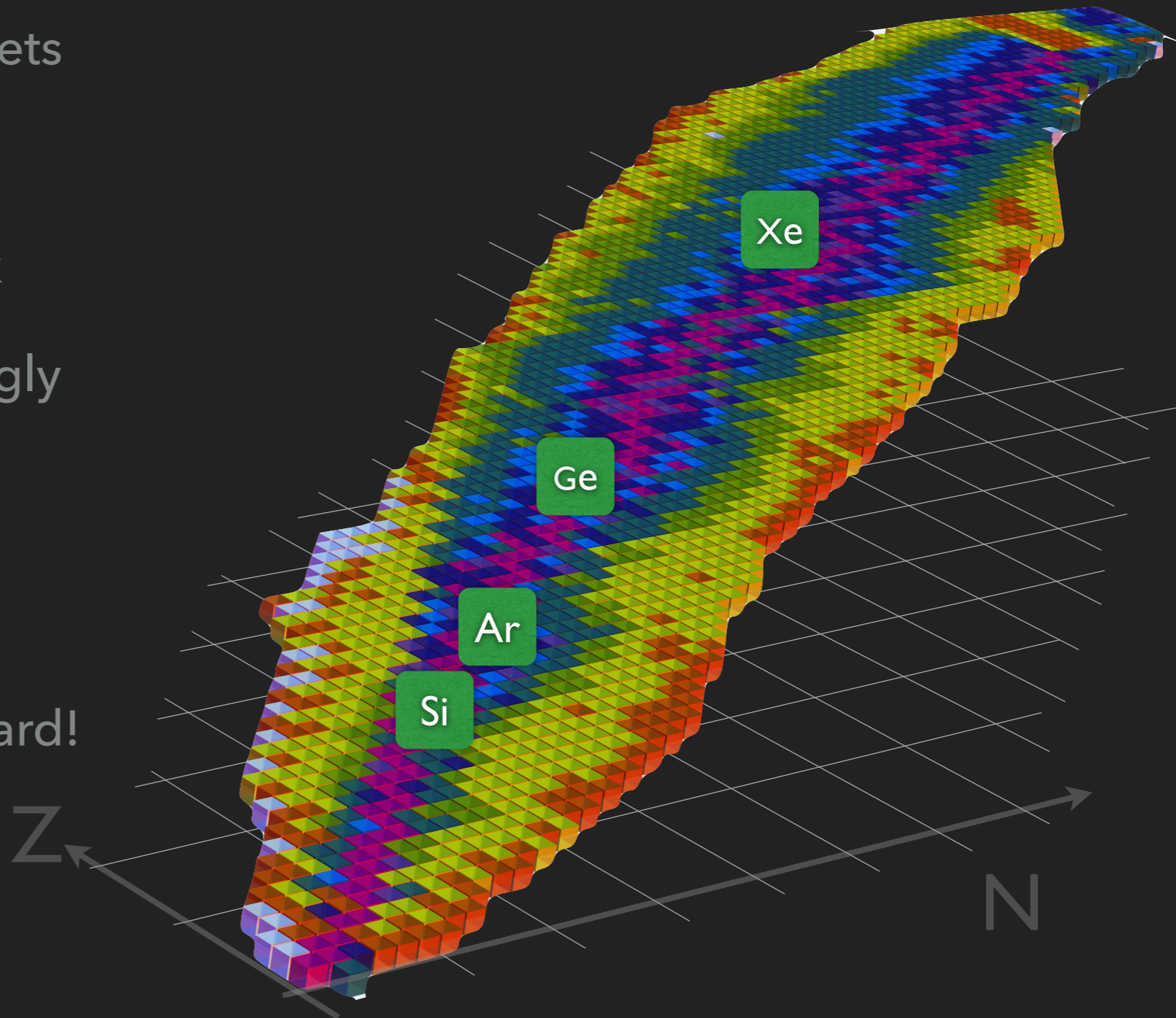
$$\bar{m} \langle Z, N | \bar{u}u + \bar{d}d | Z, N \rangle$$

- ▶ At hadronic/nuclear level



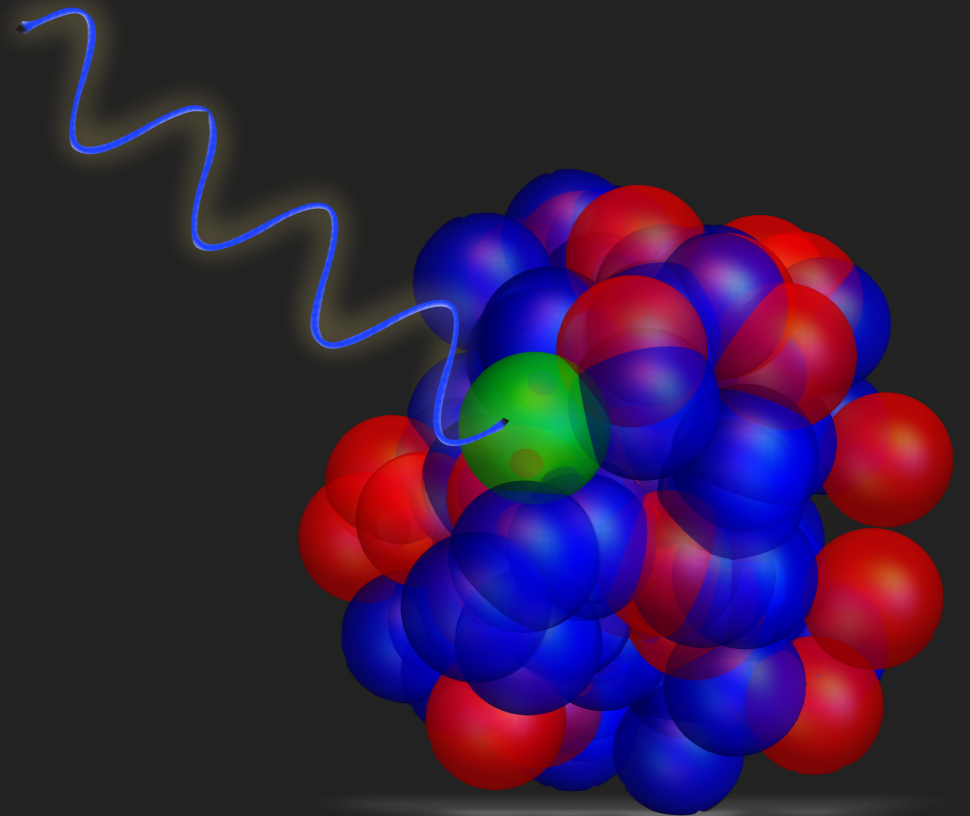
THE WEALTH OF NUCLEI

- ▶ Nuclei are often used as targets
 - ▶ High density
 - ▶ Can be assembled in bulk
- ▶ But nuclei are complex strongly interacting systems
- ▶ Theoretical understanding a challenge
 - ▶ Direct lattice QCD? Too hard!
 - ▶ Effective field theory

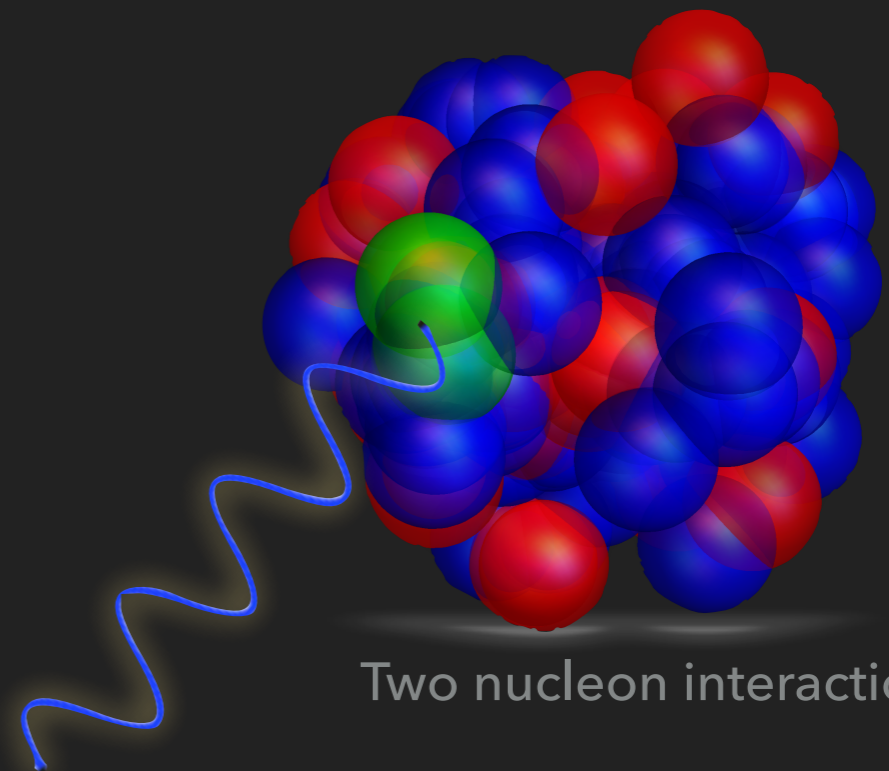


INTERACTIONS WITH NUCLEI

- ▶ Single nucleon coupling dominates
 - ▶ Determine from nucleon matrix element calculations
- ▶ Two nucleon contributions are sub-leading
 - ▶ Study $A=2,3,4,\dots$ systems
 - ▶ Match LQCD and EFT
 - ▶ Determine nuclear effects



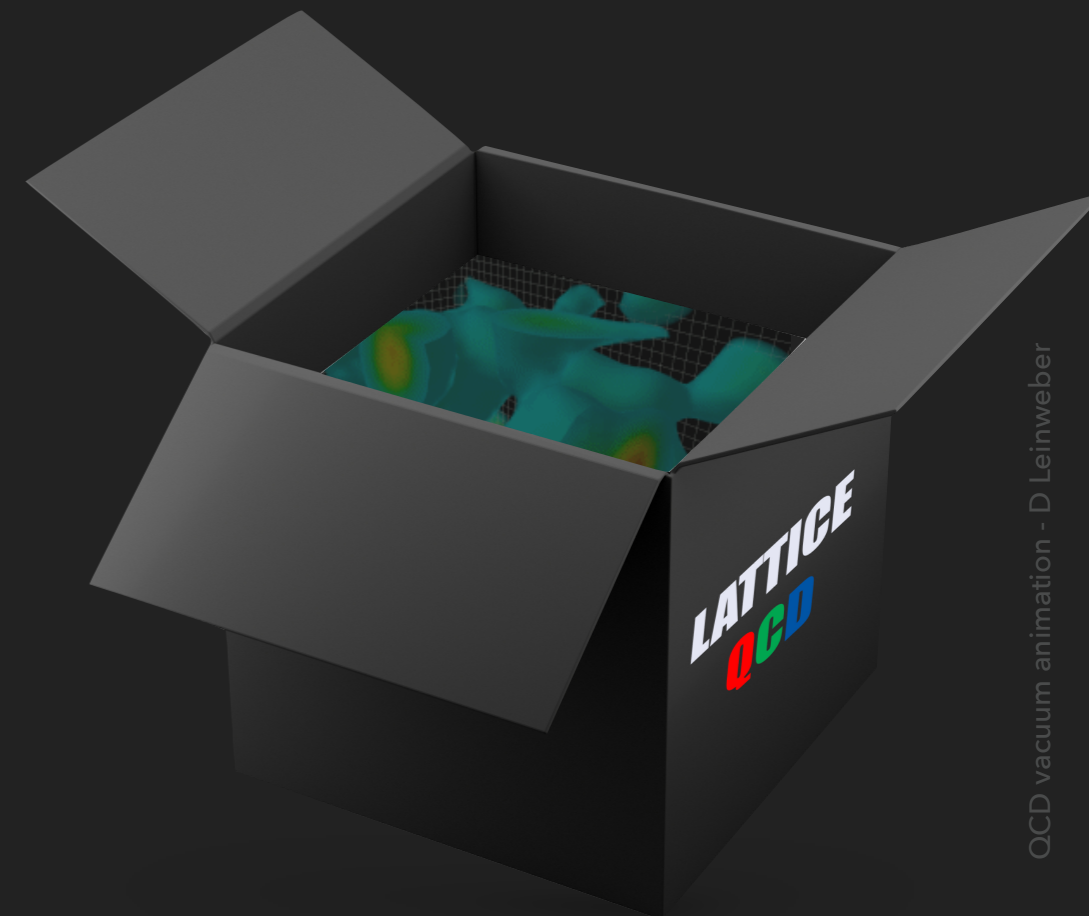
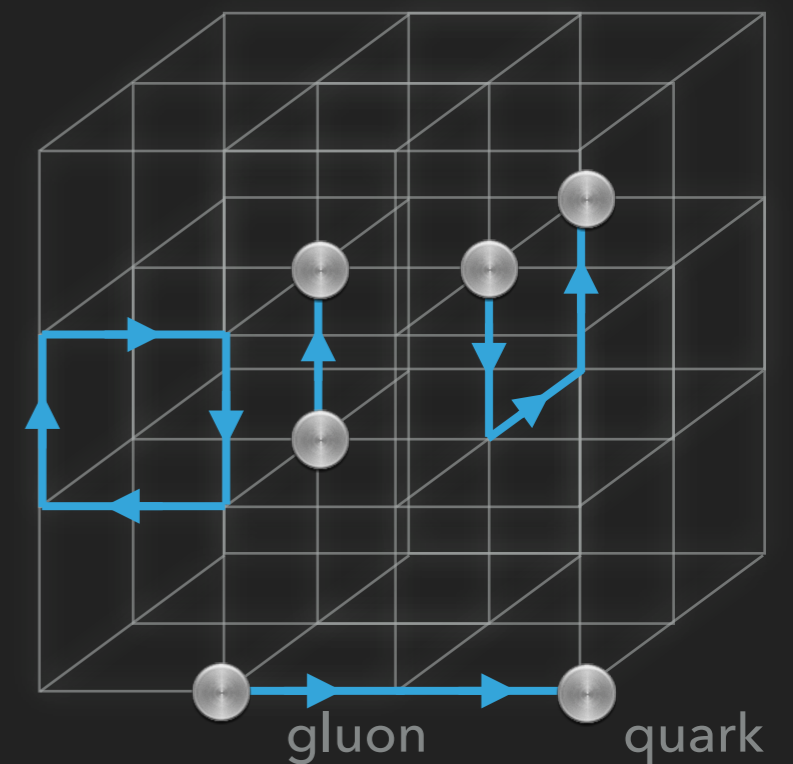
One nucleon interaction



Two nucleon interaction

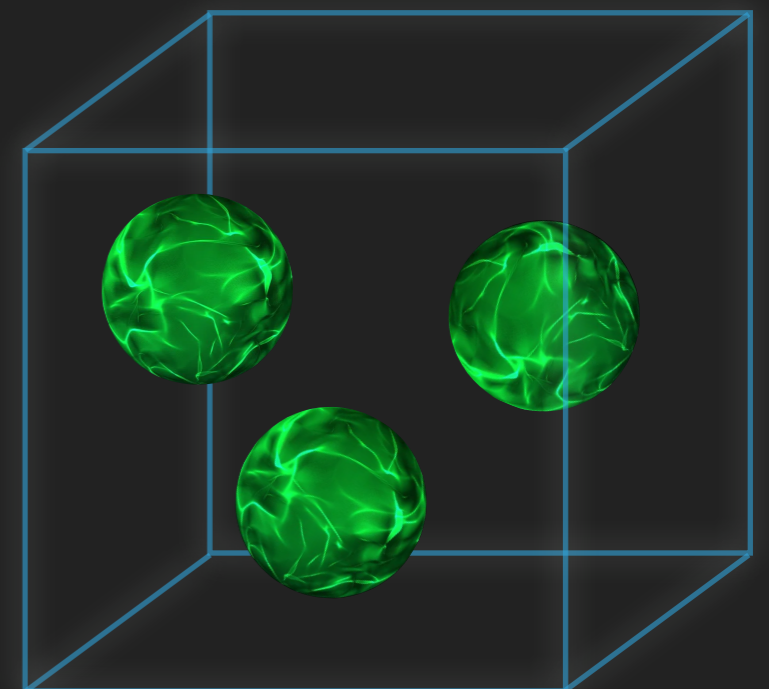
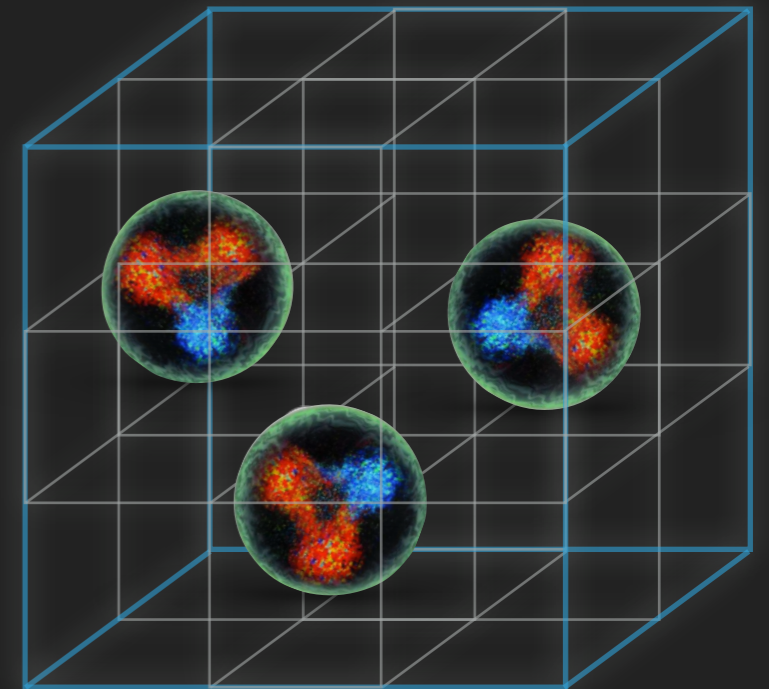
LATTICE QCD

- ▶ Strong coupling definition of QCD
- ▶ Numerical tool for nonperturbative QCD calculations
 - ▶ Discretise and compactify spacetime
 - ▶ Integration over 10^{12} degrees of freedom in current calculations using importance sampling Monte Carlo
 - ▶ Understand effects of discretisation and **compactification** and finite statistics



FINITE VOLUME EFFECTS

- ▶ Major issue for LQCD calculations of nuclei is finite volume (FV) effects
- ▶ Well-known Lüscher method to understand FV effects in $B=2$ spectrum (and now $B=3$)
- ▶ Less well-developed technologies for effects on matrix elements
- ▶ Alternative: direct matching between LQCD and EFT in the same FV
 - ▶ Use EFT to extrapolate to infinite volume
 - ▶ Spectroscopy and matrix elements
 - ▶ Pionless EFT for simplicity



PIONLESS EFT

- ▶ Leading order pionless EFT Hamiltonian

$$H = -\frac{1}{2M_N} \sum_i \nabla_i^2 + \sum_{i<j} V_2(\mathbf{r}_{ij}) + \sum_{i<j<k} V_3(\mathbf{r}_{ij}, \mathbf{r}_{jk})$$

- ▶ Two- and three-body interactions

$$V_2(\mathbf{r}_{ij}) = \left(\underbrace{C_0}_{\text{Two body low energy constants}} + \underbrace{C_1}_{\text{Two body low energy constants}} \sigma^{(i)} \cdot \sigma^{(j)} \right) g_\Lambda(\mathbf{r}_{ij}). \quad V_3(\mathbf{r}_{ij}, \mathbf{r}_{jk}) = \underbrace{D_0}_{\text{Three body low energy constant}} \sum_{\text{cyc}} g_\Lambda(\mathbf{r}_{ij}) g_\Lambda(\mathbf{r}_{jk})$$

- ▶ Implement with Gaussian regulator with shifted copies to satisfy periodic boundary conditions

$$g_\Lambda(\mathbf{r}, L) = \frac{\Lambda^3}{8\pi^{3/2}} \prod_{\alpha \in \{x, y, z\}} \sum_{q^{(\alpha)} = -\infty}^{\infty} \exp \left(-\underbrace{\Lambda^2}_{\text{Regulator scale}} \left(r^{(\alpha)} - Lq^{(\alpha)} \right)^2 / 4 \right)$$

VARIATIONAL METHOD

- ▶ For any wavefunction, the variational method can bound energies of eigenstates

$$E_h \leq \mathcal{E} [\Psi_h] = \frac{\int \Psi_h(\mathbf{x})^* H \Psi_h(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}}{\int \Psi_h(\mathbf{x})^* \Psi_h(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}}$$

- ▶ Find wave functions that provide the most stringent bounds
 - ▶ Some increasingly large set of basis functions
 - ▶ Wavefunction as a neural network (ongoing)
- ▶ Correlated Gaussians in many-particle coordinate space
 - ▶ Computationally efficient (integrals analytic) and expressive

CORRELATED GAUSSIANS

- ▶ $3n$ spatial coordinates: $\mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_n)$ with $\mathbf{x}^{(\alpha)} = (\mathbf{r}_{1,\alpha}, \dots, \mathbf{r}_{n,\alpha})$
- ▶ Wavefunction built from correlated shifted Gaussians in each Cartesian direction $\alpha \in \{x, y, z\}$

$$\Psi_{\infty}^{(\alpha)}(A^{(\alpha)}, B^{(\alpha)}, \mathbf{d}^{(\alpha)}; \mathbf{x}^{(\alpha)}) = \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^{(\alpha)T} \underbrace{A^{(\alpha)}}_{\text{Symmetric matrix}} \mathbf{x}^{(\alpha)} - \frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{x}^{(\alpha)} - \underbrace{\mathbf{d}^{(\alpha)}}_{\text{Vector}} \right)^T \underbrace{B^{(\alpha)}}_{\text{Diagonal matrix}} \left(\mathbf{x}^{(\alpha)} - \mathbf{d}^{(\alpha)} \right) \right]$$

Wavefunction parameters

- ▶ Impose periodicity:

$$\Psi_L^{(\alpha)}(A^{(\alpha)}, B^{(\alpha)}, \mathbf{d}^{(\alpha)}; \mathbf{x}^{(\alpha)}) = \sum_{\mathbf{b}^{(\alpha)}} \Psi_{\infty}^{(\alpha)}(A^{(\alpha)}, B^{(\alpha)}, \mathbf{d}^{(\alpha)}; \mathbf{x}^{(\alpha)} - \mathbf{b}^{(\alpha)} L)$$

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- ▶ Symmetrise spatial wavefunction under particle interchange

$$\Psi_L^{\text{sym}}(A, B, \mathbf{d}; \mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathcal{P}} \Psi_L(A_{\mathcal{P}}, B_{\mathcal{P}}, \mathbf{d}_{\mathcal{P}}; \mathbf{x})$$

PIONLESS EFT

- ▶ Focus on nuclei up to ${}^4\text{He}$ in s-wave
- ▶ Spatially symmetric, antisymmetric in spin-flavour

$$\Psi_h^{(N)}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^N c_j \Psi_L^{\text{sym}}(A_j, B_j, \mathbf{d}_j; \mathbf{x}) |\chi_h\rangle$$

where eg

$$|\chi^3\text{H}, j_z = 1/2\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} [|n^\uparrow p^\uparrow n^\downarrow\rangle - |n^\downarrow p^\uparrow n^\uparrow\rangle - |p^\uparrow n^\uparrow n^\downarrow\rangle \\ + |p^\uparrow n^\downarrow n^\uparrow\rangle - |n^\uparrow n^\downarrow p^\uparrow\rangle + |n^\downarrow n^\uparrow p^\uparrow\rangle]$$

- ▶ General ansatz with parameters: $\theta = \{\mathbf{c}, A, B, \mathbf{d}\}$

STOCHASTIC VARIATIONAL METHOD

- ▶ Wavefunction ansatz contains linear and nonlinear parameters
- ▶ Linear parameters can be optimised via an eigenvalue problem
- ▶ Nonlinear parameters optimised stochastically [Varga & Suzuki 1995]

1. Propose a new Gaussian term with stochastically chosen parameters

2. Calculate matrix elements of Hamiltonian between terms in set

$$[\mathbb{H}]_{ij} \equiv \int \Psi_i(\mathbf{x})^* \langle \chi_h | H | \chi_h \rangle \Psi_j(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \quad [\mathbb{N}]_{ij} \equiv \int \Psi_i(\mathbf{x})^* \Psi_j(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$

3. Solve generalised eigenvalue problem to determine coefficient

$$\mathbb{H}\mathbf{c} = \lambda\mathbb{N}\mathbf{c}$$

STOCHASTIC VARIATIONAL METHOD

- ▶ Energy bound

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- ▶ Integrals can be performed analytically

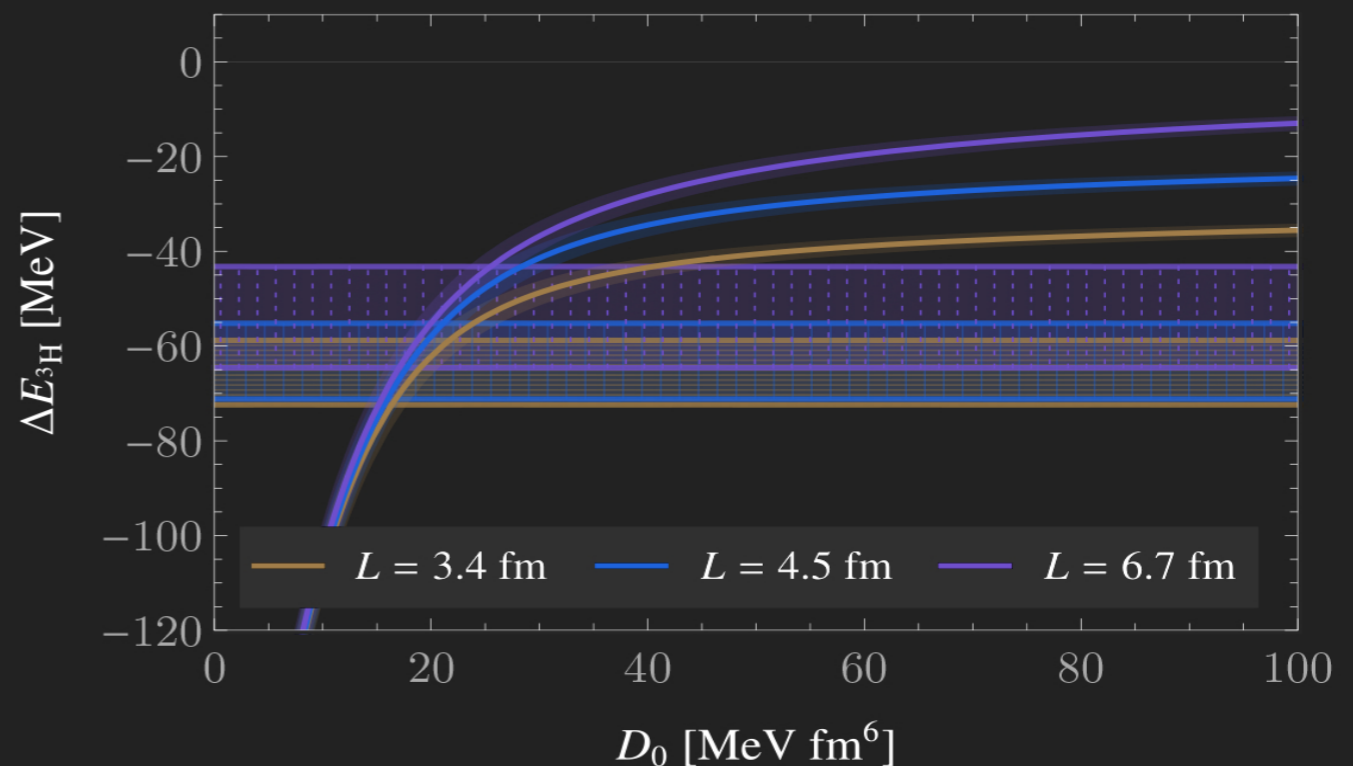
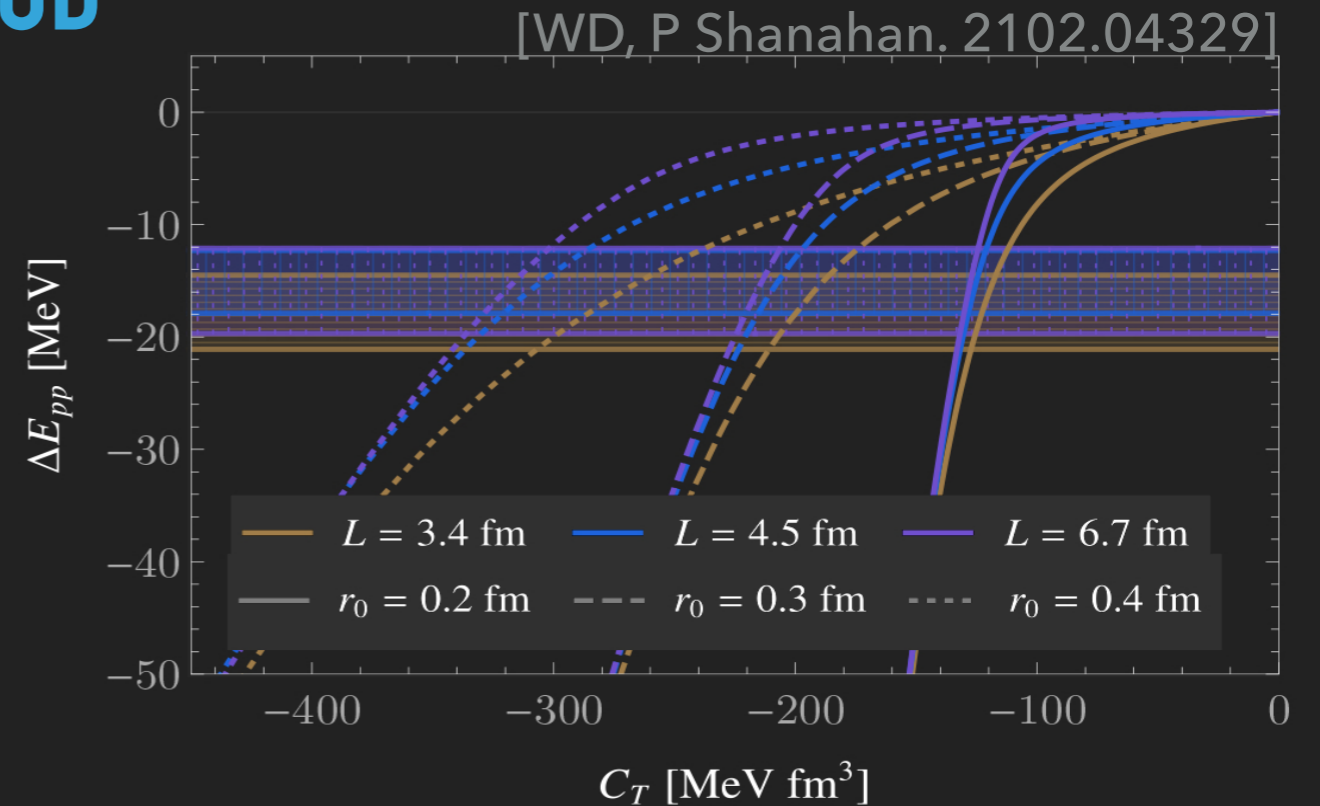
$$[\mathbb{N}]_{ij} \equiv \int \Psi_L^{\text{sym}}(A_i, B_i, \mathbf{d}_i; \mathbf{x})^* \Psi_L^{\text{sym}}(A_j, B_j, \mathbf{d}_j; \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$

$$= \sum_{\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{P}'} \prod_{\alpha \in \{x, y, z\}} \sqrt{\frac{(2\pi)^n}{\text{Det} \left[C_{i\mathcal{P}; j\mathcal{P}'}^{(\alpha)} \right]} \sum_{\mathbf{b}^{(\alpha)}}^{(\alpha)} |\leq \tilde{b} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \Omega_{i\mathcal{P}; j\mathcal{P}'}^{(\alpha)} \right]}$$

Objects built from the parameters

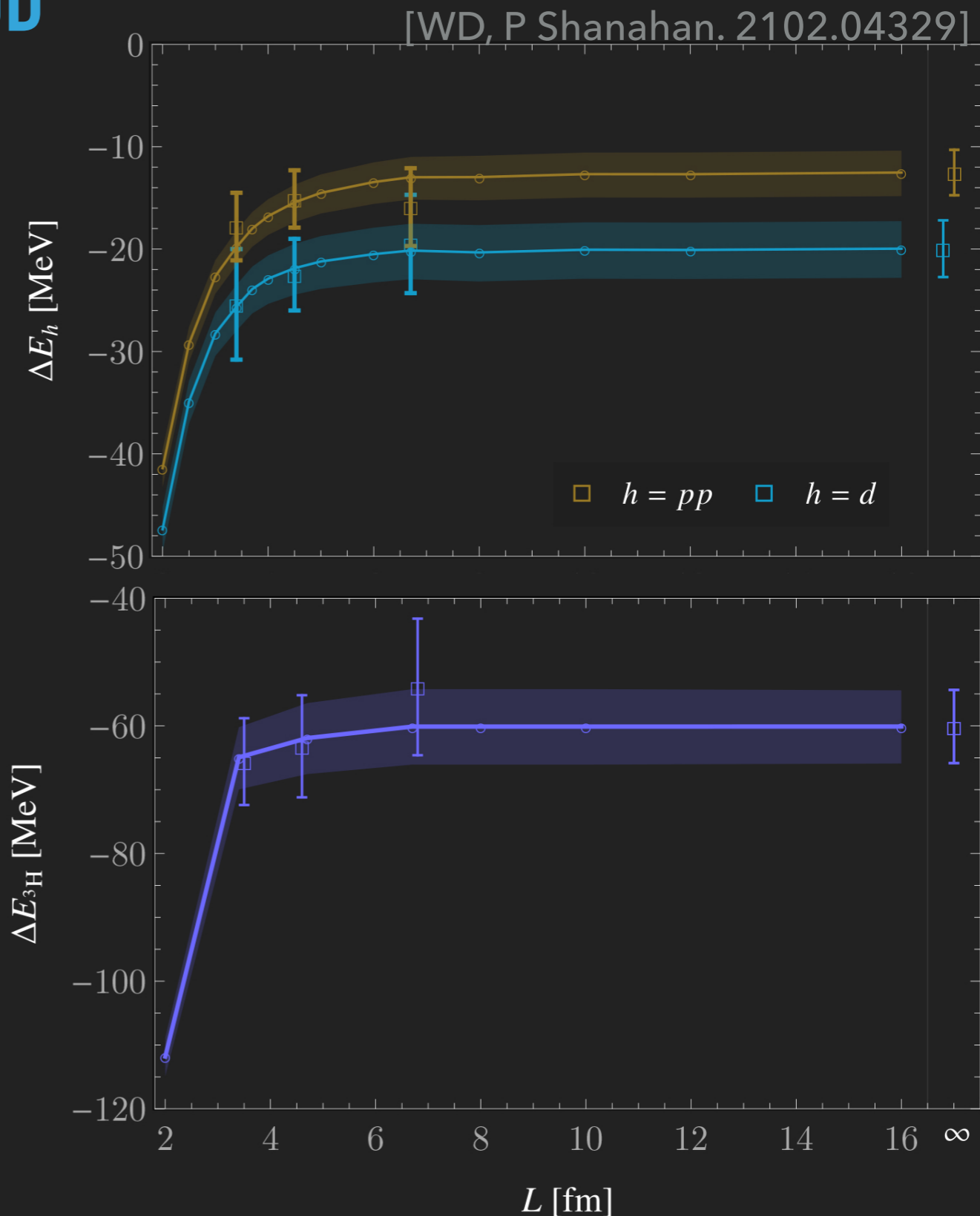
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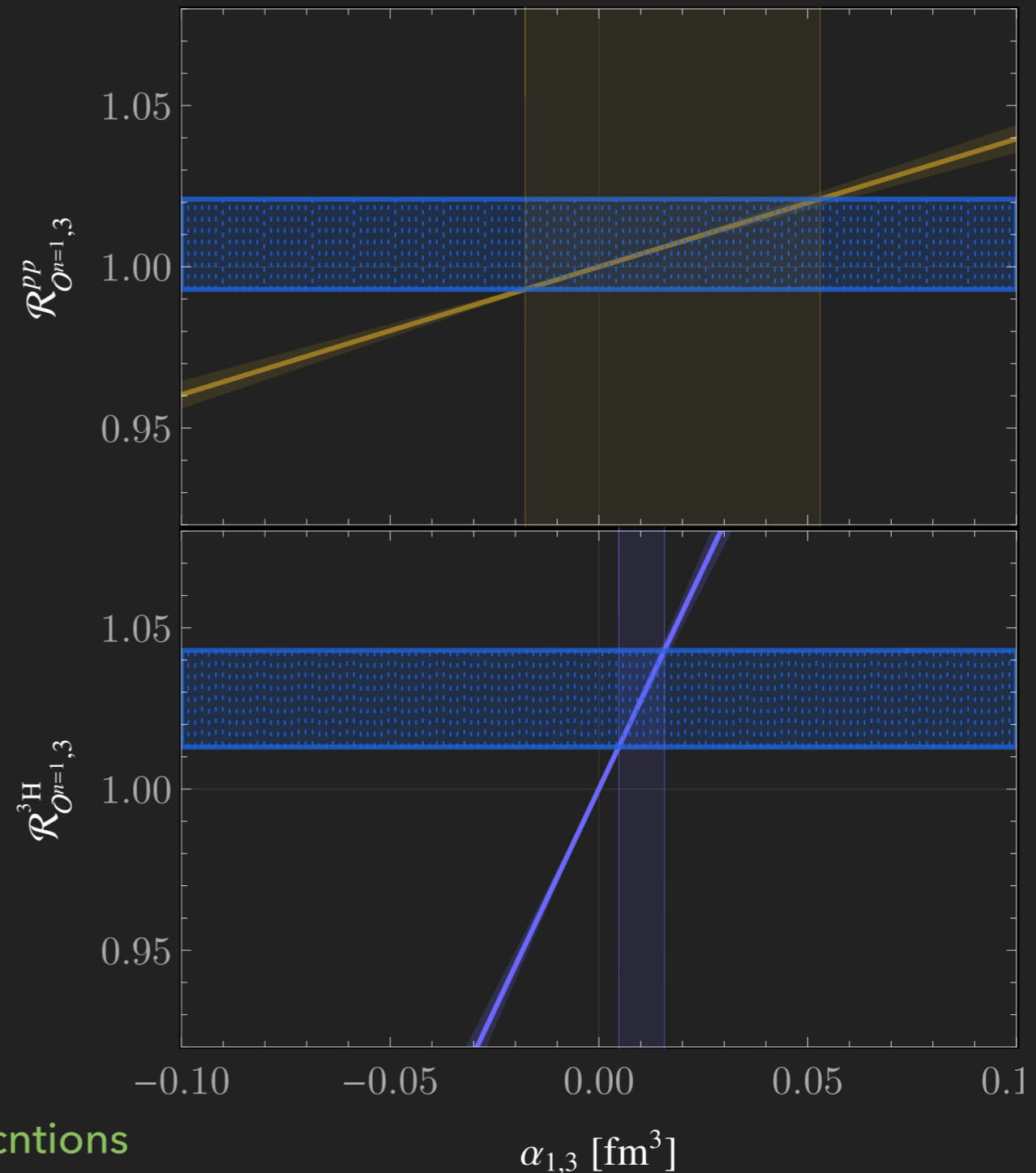


MATRIX ELEMENTS

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 - ▶ Example: isovector momentum fraction

$$\begin{aligned}
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Two body counterterm
From wavefunctions

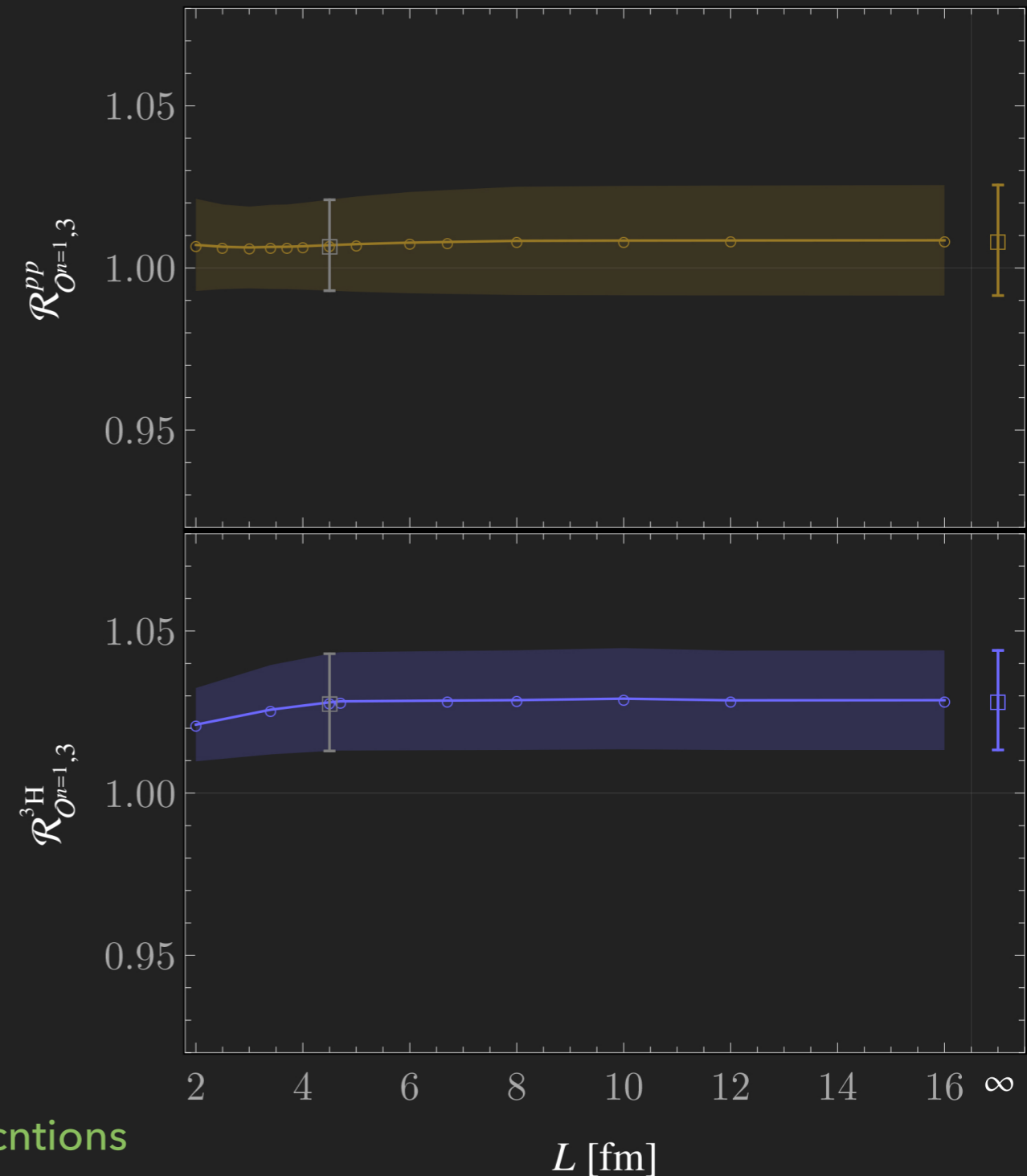


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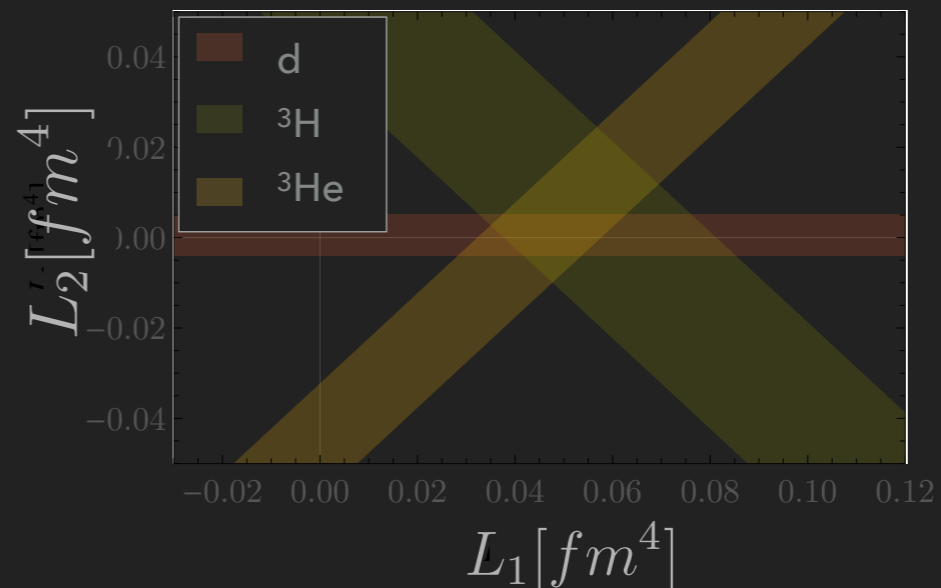
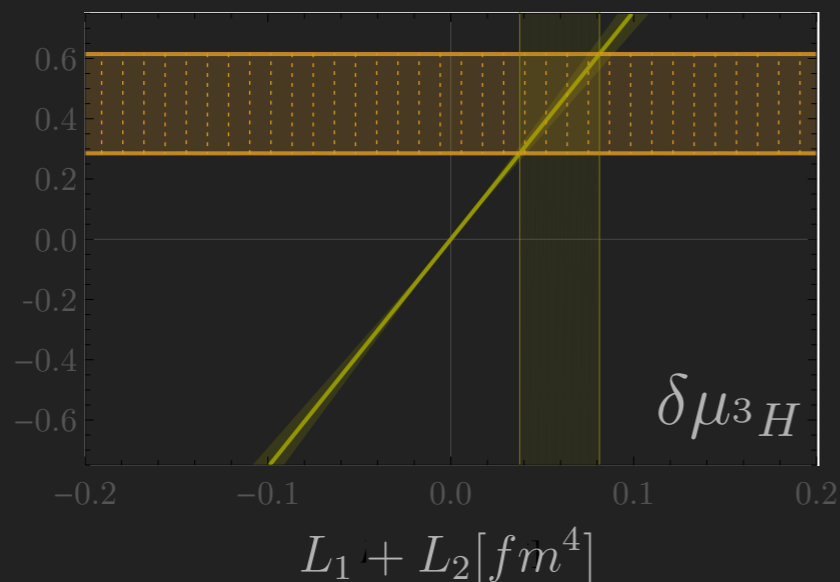
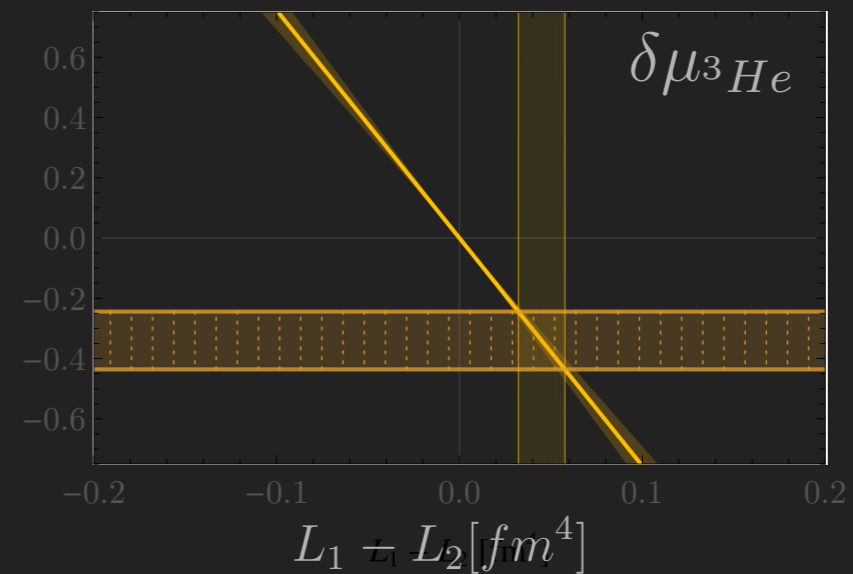
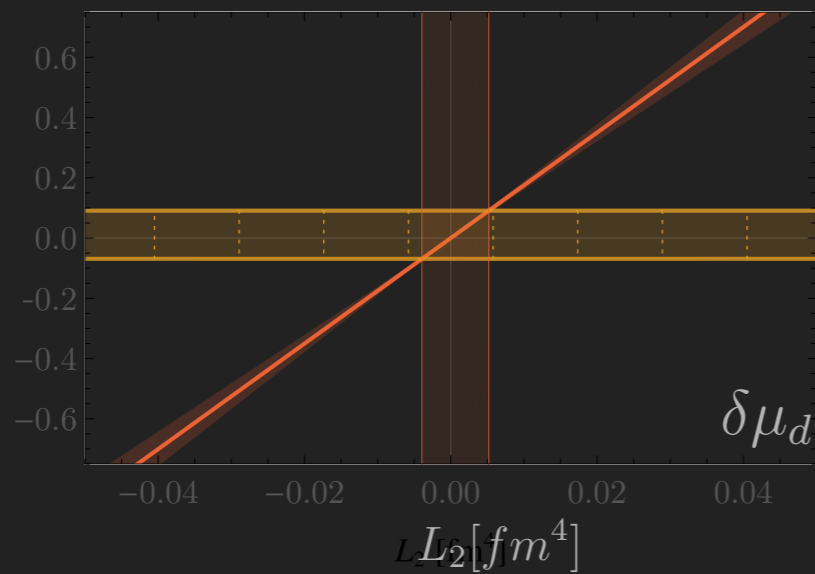
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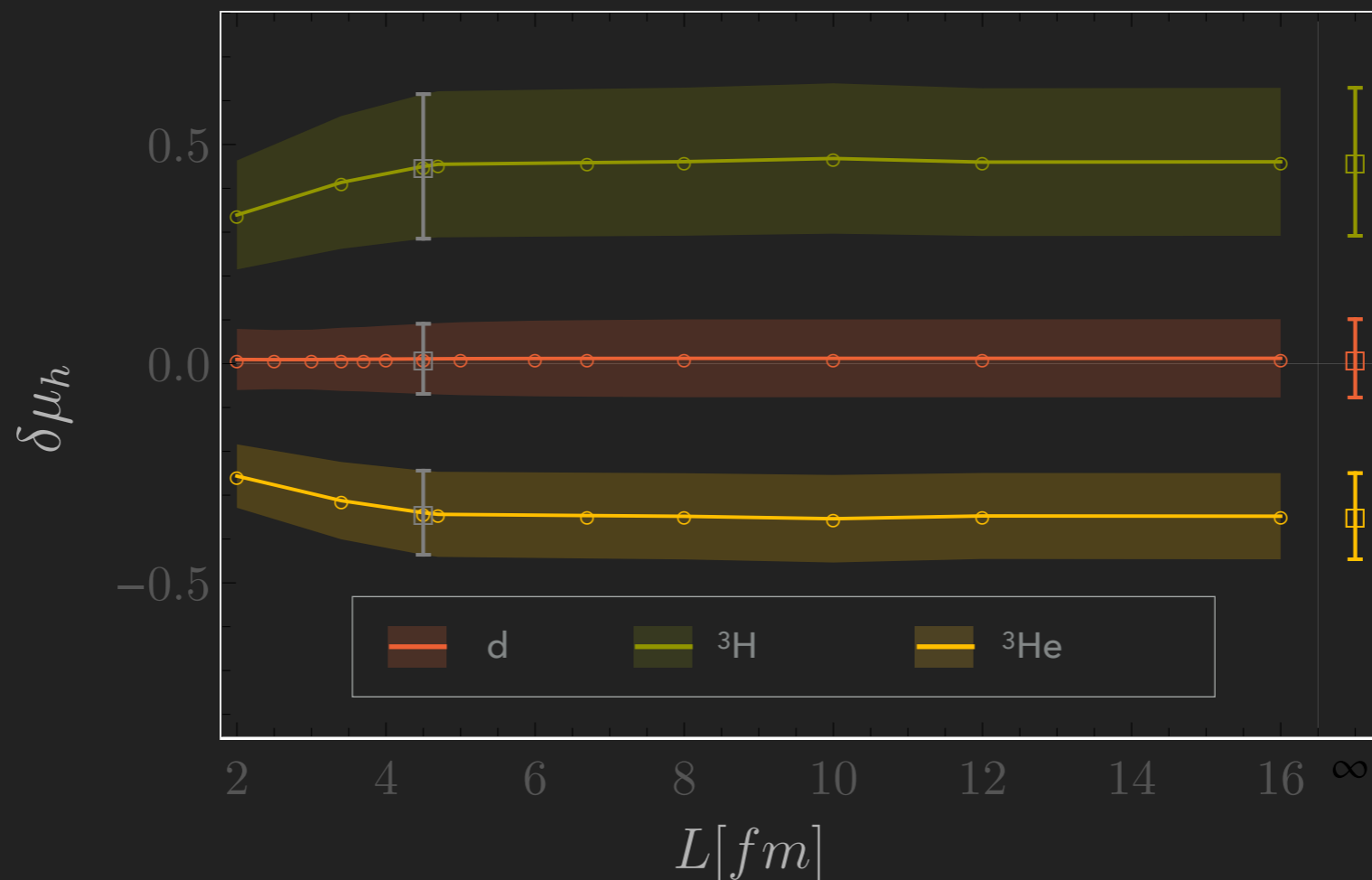
► Eg: magnetic moments

$$J_i^{EM} = \frac{e}{2M_N} N^\dagger (\kappa_0 + \tau_3 \kappa_1) \sigma_i N - eL_2 i \epsilon_{ijk} (N^T P_k N)^\dagger (N^T P_j N) + eL_1 (N^T P_i N)^\dagger (N^T \bar{P}_3 N) + \text{h.c.}$$



MAGNETIC MOMENTS

- ▶ LQCD-EFT matching can be extended to matrix elements
- ▶ Eg: magnetic moments

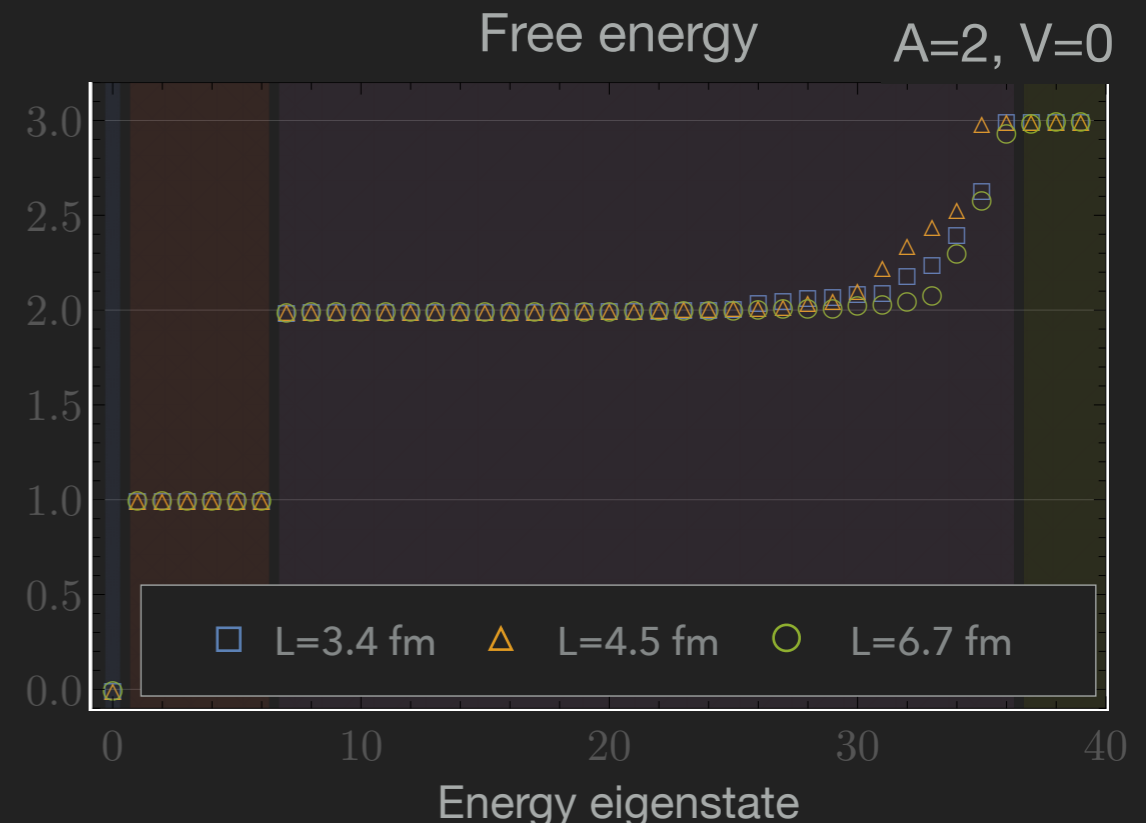
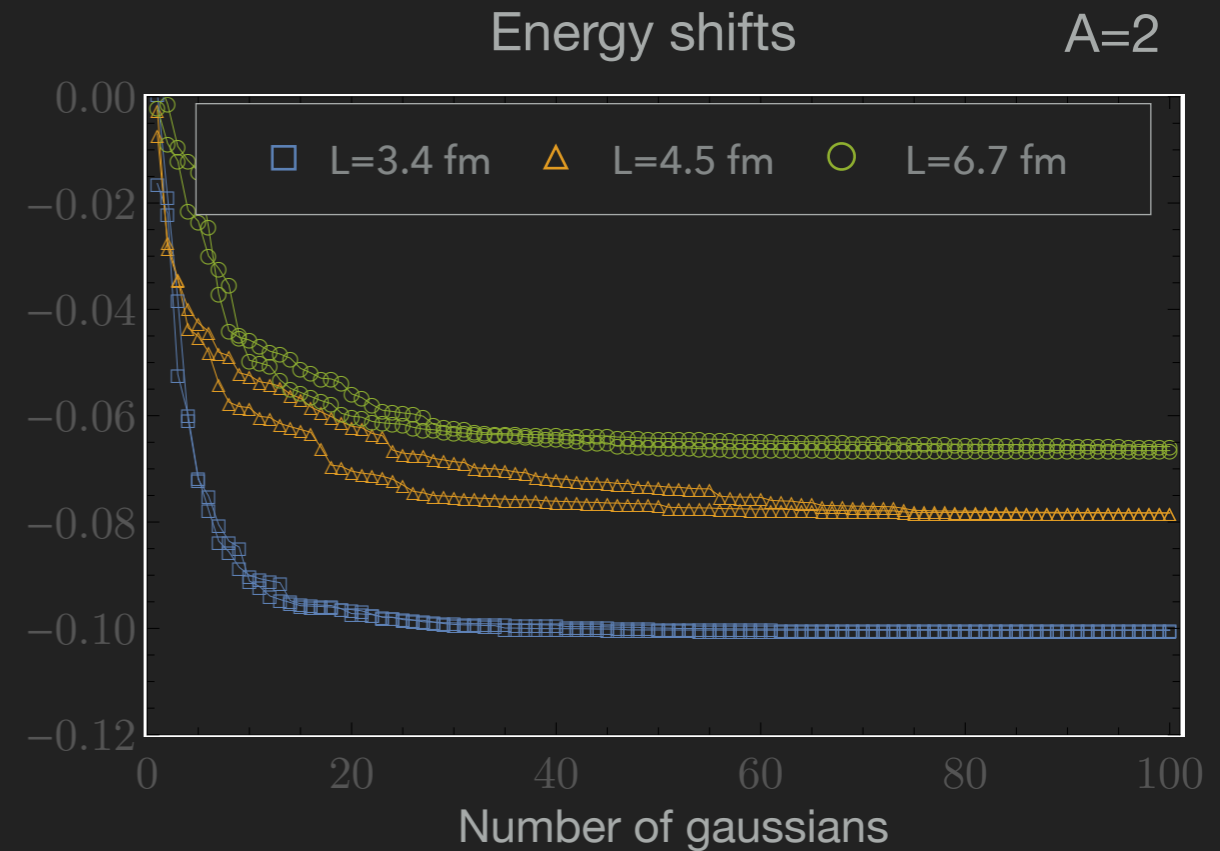


SVM

- ▶ SVM works but needs 100s of Gaussians to converge to FV ground state

[M. Eliyahu, B. Bazak, and N. Barnea, PRC 2020]

- ▶ Able to represent bound states
- ▶ Also able to represent scattering states
- ▶ Cubic boundary conditions increase the cost significantly
- ▶ Going beyond $A=3$ is very challenging in FV



DIFFERENTIABLE PROGRAMMING

- ▶ Obviously better to optimise all parameters in wavefunction ansatz but how?
 - ▶ Need gradients of objective function (energy bound) w.r.t parameters

$$\mathcal{E} \left[\Psi_h^{(N)}(\theta) \right] = \frac{\mathbf{c} \cdot (\mathbb{K} + \mathbb{V}_2 + \mathbb{V}_3) \cdot \mathbf{c}}{\mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbb{N} \cdot \mathbf{c}}$$

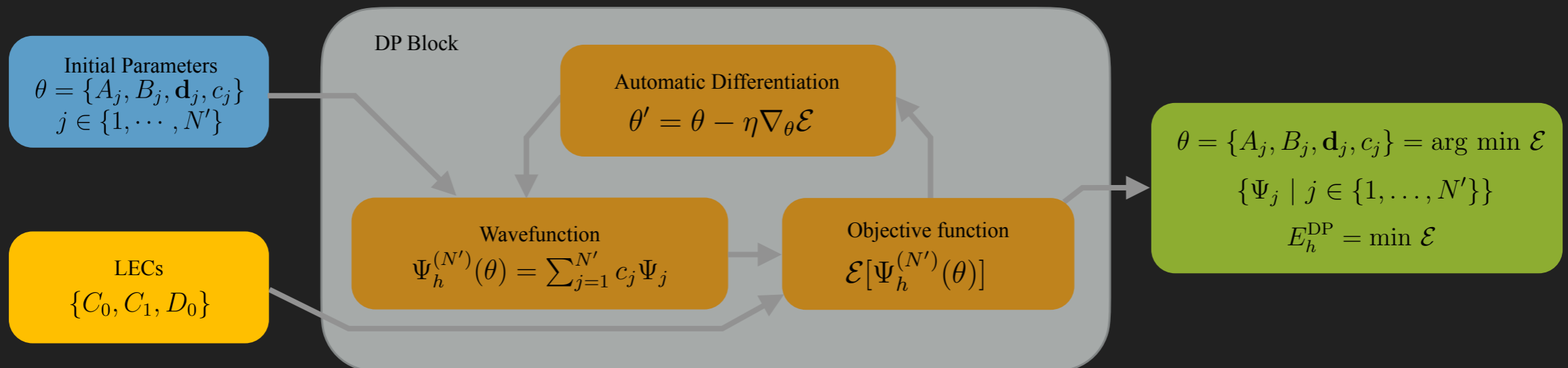
$$\nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{E} = -\frac{\mathbf{c} \cdot (\mathbb{K} + \mathbb{V}_2 + \mathbb{V}_3) \cdot \mathbf{c}}{(\mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbb{N} \cdot \mathbf{c})^2} \nabla_{\theta}(\mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbb{N} \cdot \mathbf{c}) + \frac{1}{\mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbb{N} \cdot \mathbf{c}} (\nabla_{\theta}(\mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbb{K} \cdot \mathbf{c}) + \nabla_{\theta}(\mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbb{V}_2 \cdot \mathbf{c}) + \nabla_{\theta}(\mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbb{V}_3 \cdot \mathbf{c}))$$

$$\nabla_{\theta}(\mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbb{X} \cdot \mathbf{c}) = \sum_{i,j} (\nabla_{\theta}(c_i c_j) [\mathbb{X}]_{ij} + c_i c_j \nabla_{\theta}[\mathbb{X}]_{ij})$$

- ▶ Very large chain rule expressions can be computed using automatic differentiation
 - ▶ Automatic differentiation (AD) development driven by ML: at the heart of backpropagation for training of neural networks
 - ▶ Very efficient and easy to use implementations in ML frameworks

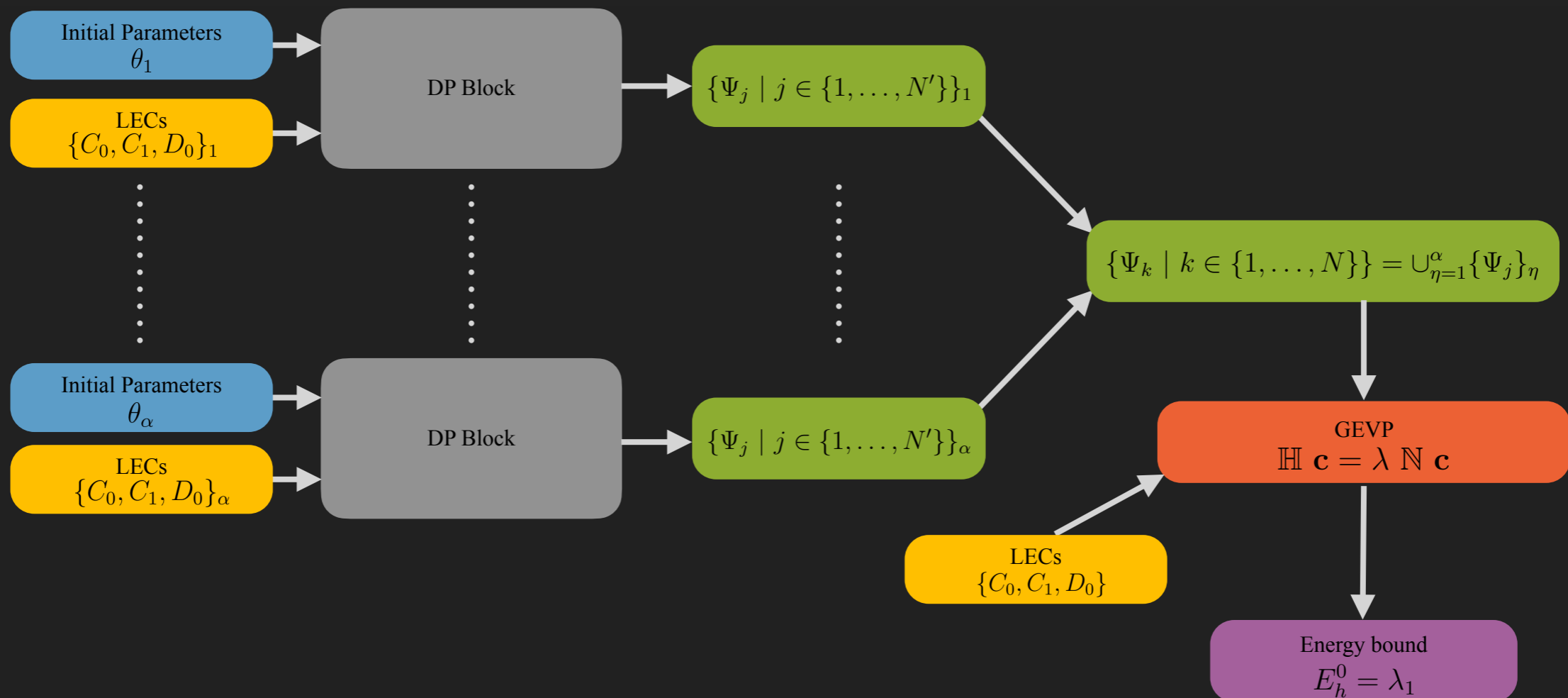
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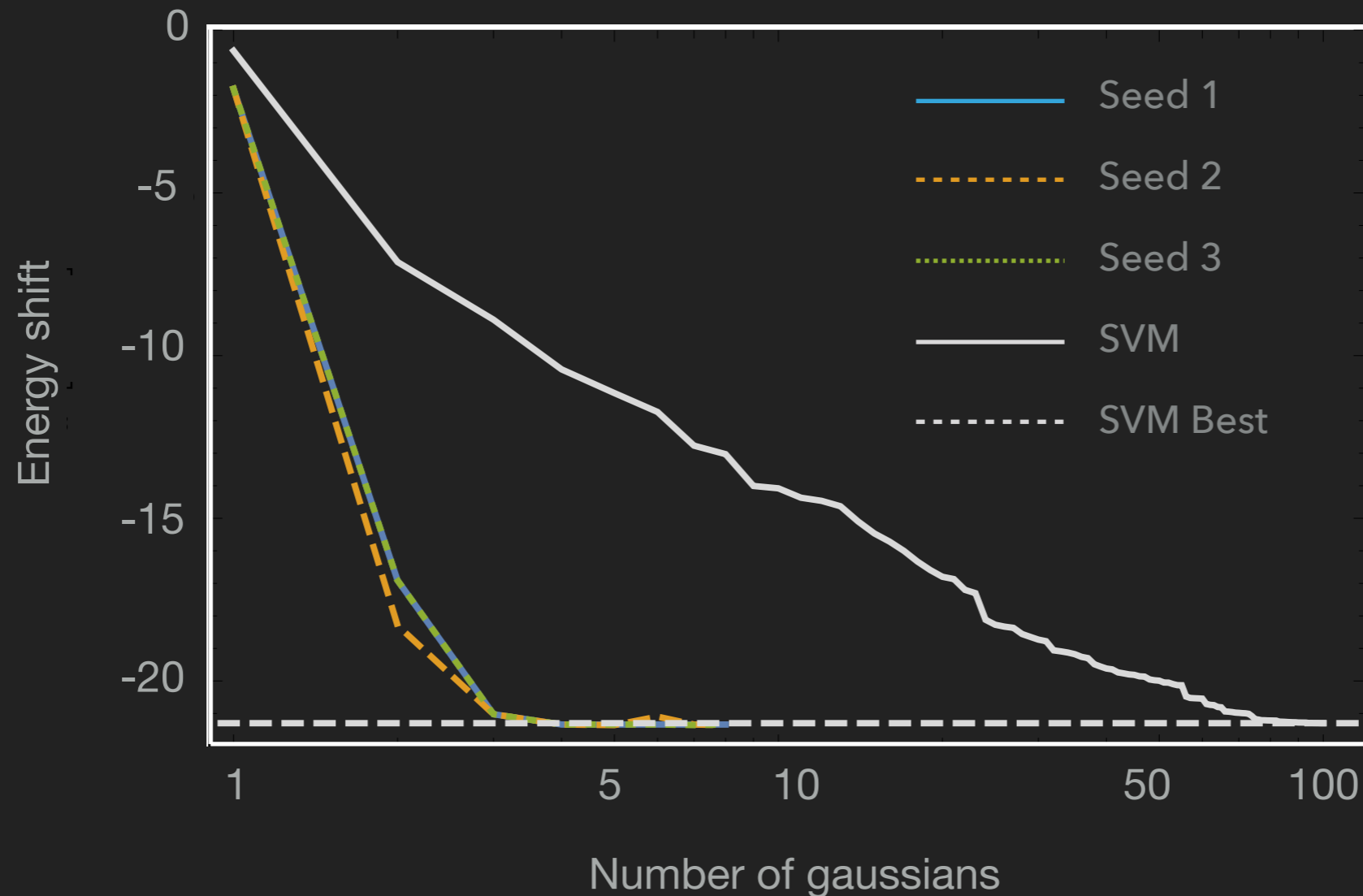


DIFFERENTIABLE PROGRAMMING

- ▶ Batched AD controls memory use (necessary for GPU)
 - ▶ Computational graph of the program computed in chunks and discarded after gradient computed
- ▶ First order gradient descent based on AD gradients
 - ▶ Self-adaptive step sizes
 - ▶ Step clipping
- ▶ Optimisation cost for n -body N -term wavefunction: $O(N^2 n! n^3)$
 - ▶ Sequential construction for $N = \alpha \times N'$ -term: $O(\alpha N'^2 n! n^3)$

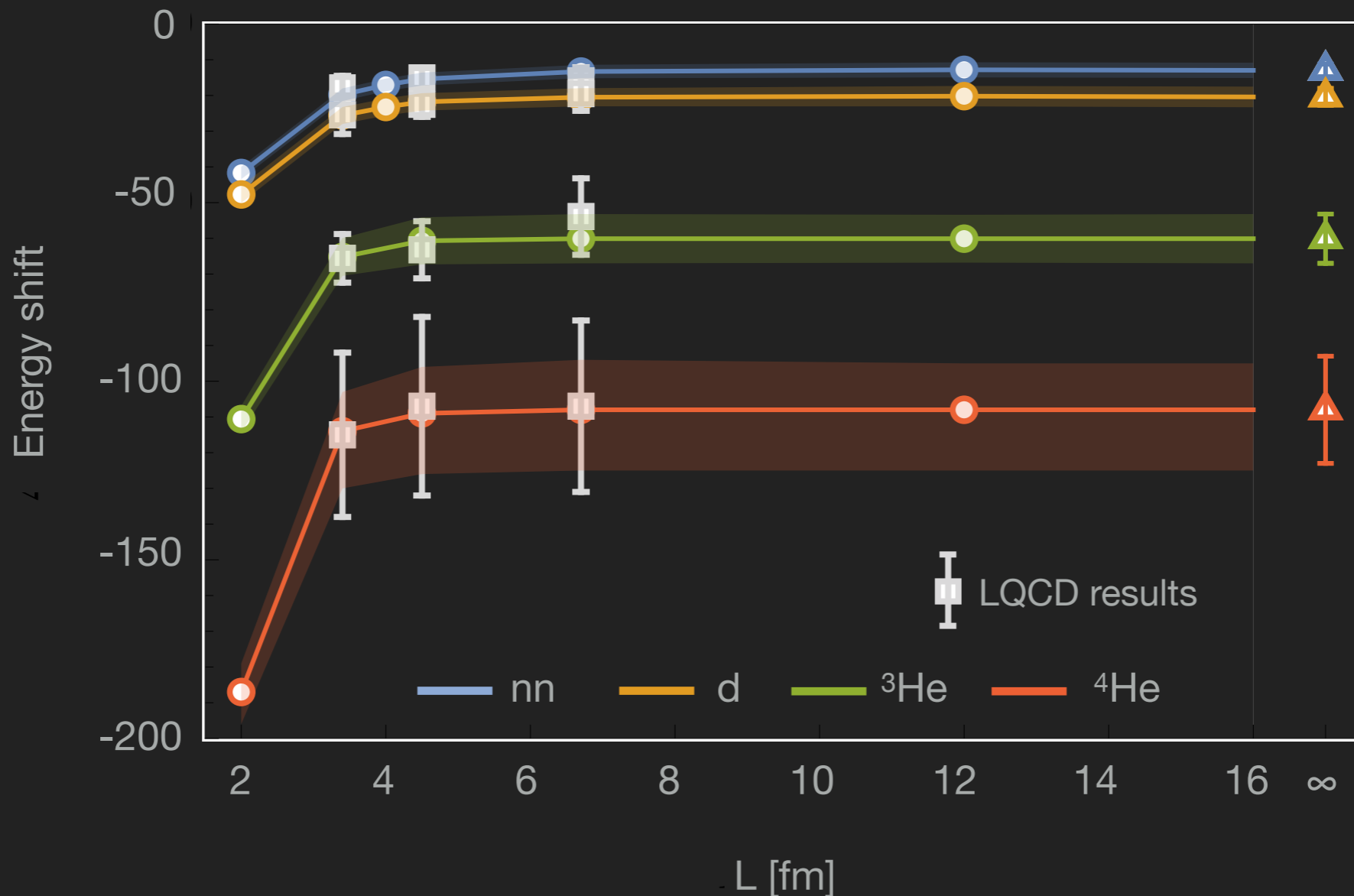
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- ▶ DP-GEVP converges MUCH faster than SVM and finds slightly lower minimum



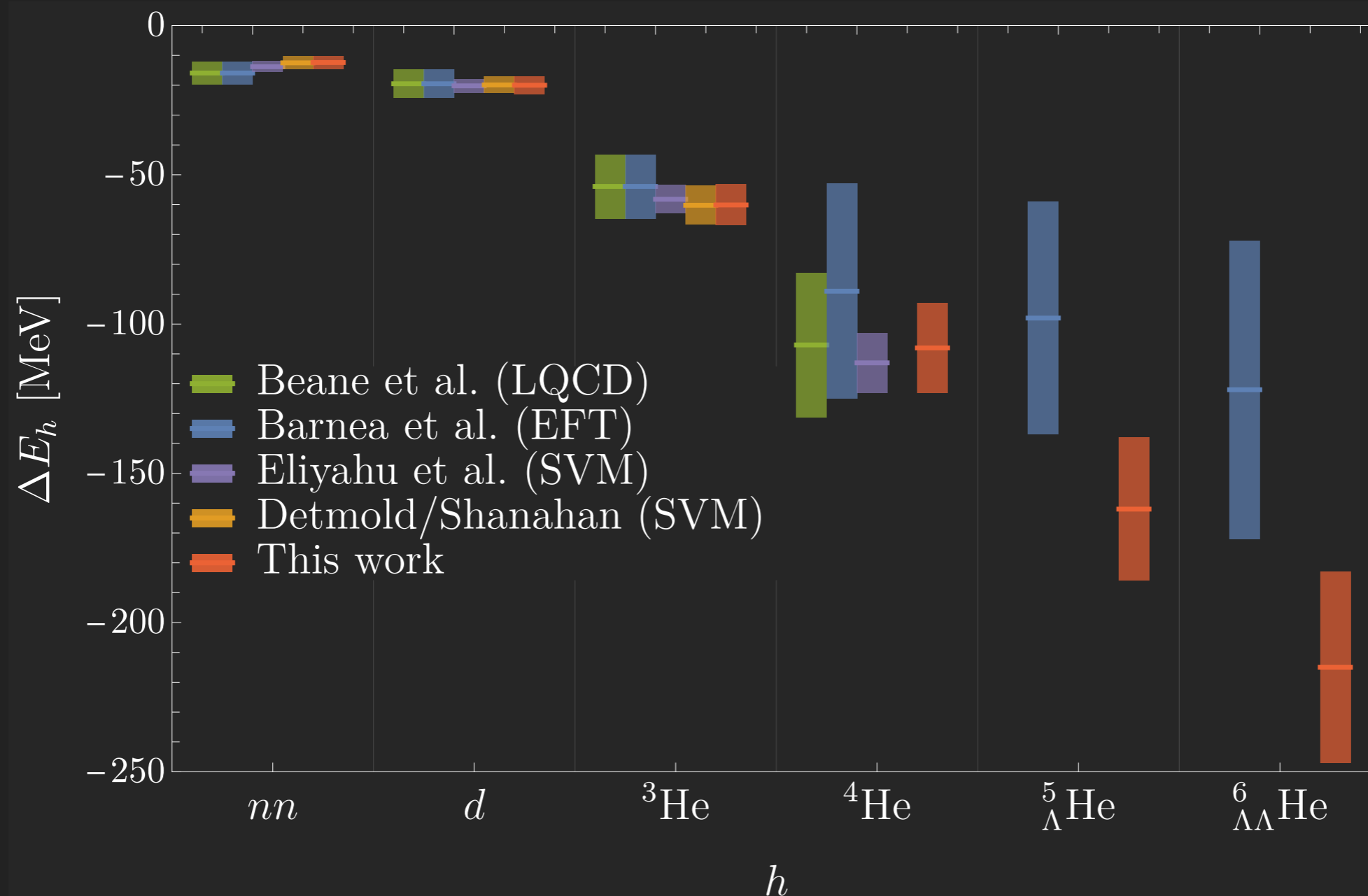
FVEFT SPECTRA USING DIFFERENTIABLE PROGRAMMING

- ▶ Once LECs determined can study volume dependence



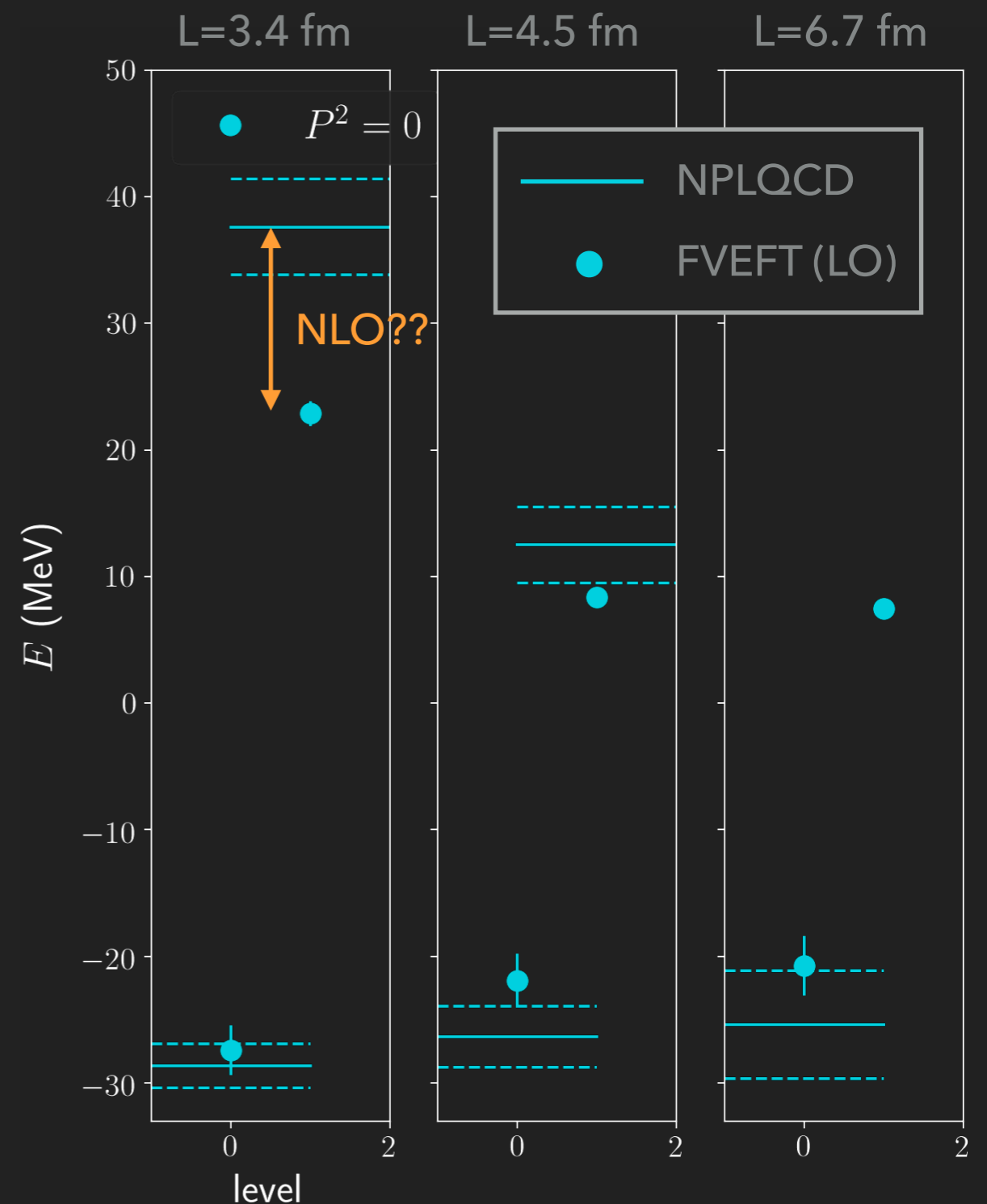
INFINITE VOLUME SPECTRA USING DIFFERENTIABLE PROGRAMMING

- Diff programming offers better way to optimise wavefunction



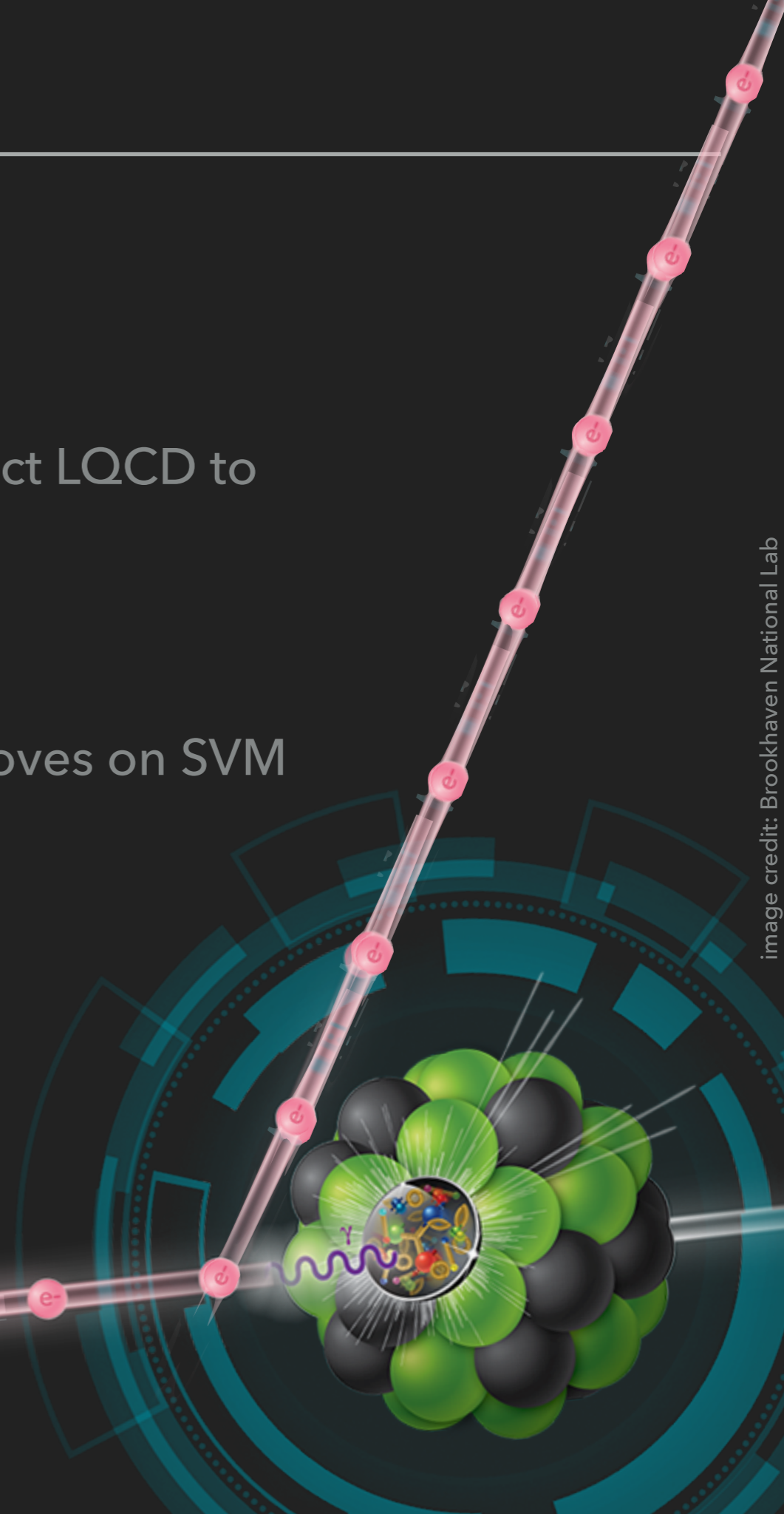
BEYOND LEADING ORDER – EXCITED STATES

- ▶ Variational method produces more than ground state
- ▶ LQCD not restricted to ground states
 - ▶ Excited FV NN scattering states from NPLQCD 2012 (A_1^+ cubic rep)
 - ▶ Many more NN states from recent variational study
- ▶ Figure shows FVEFT with only LO
- ▶ Currently implementing terms from NLO Lagrangian
 - ▶ Will match to excited states to determine NLO counterterms (including S-D mixing)



PIONLESS EFT

- ▶ LQCD-EFT matching is a powerful tool to connect LQCD to phenomenology
 - ▶ Spectroscopy and matrix elements
- ▶ Differential programming approach vastly improves on SVM
 - ▶ More efficient representation of states
 - ▶ Able to go to larger nuclei
- ▶ Extensions
 - ▶ Hypernuclei and excited states
 - ▶ NLO EFT (+ pions)



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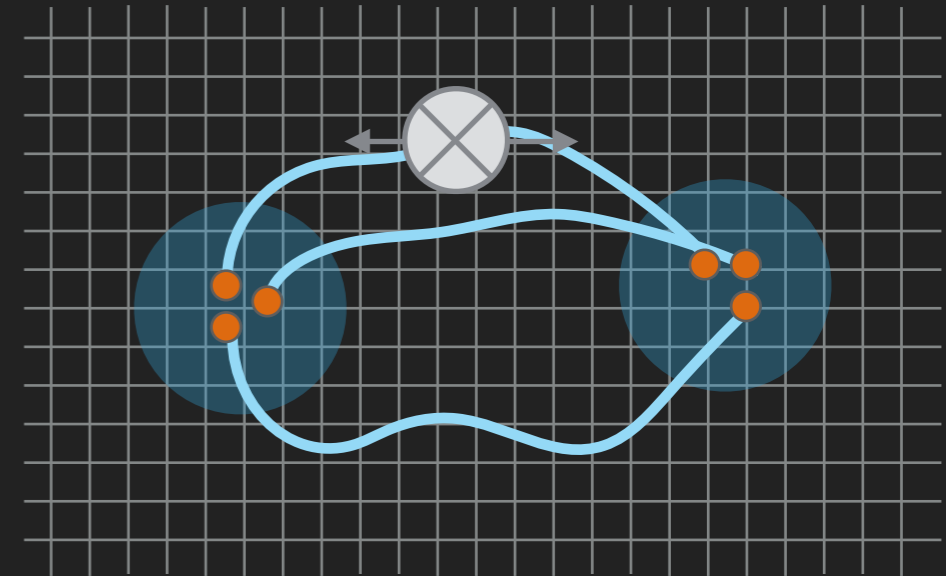


LQCD MOMENTUM FRACTIONS

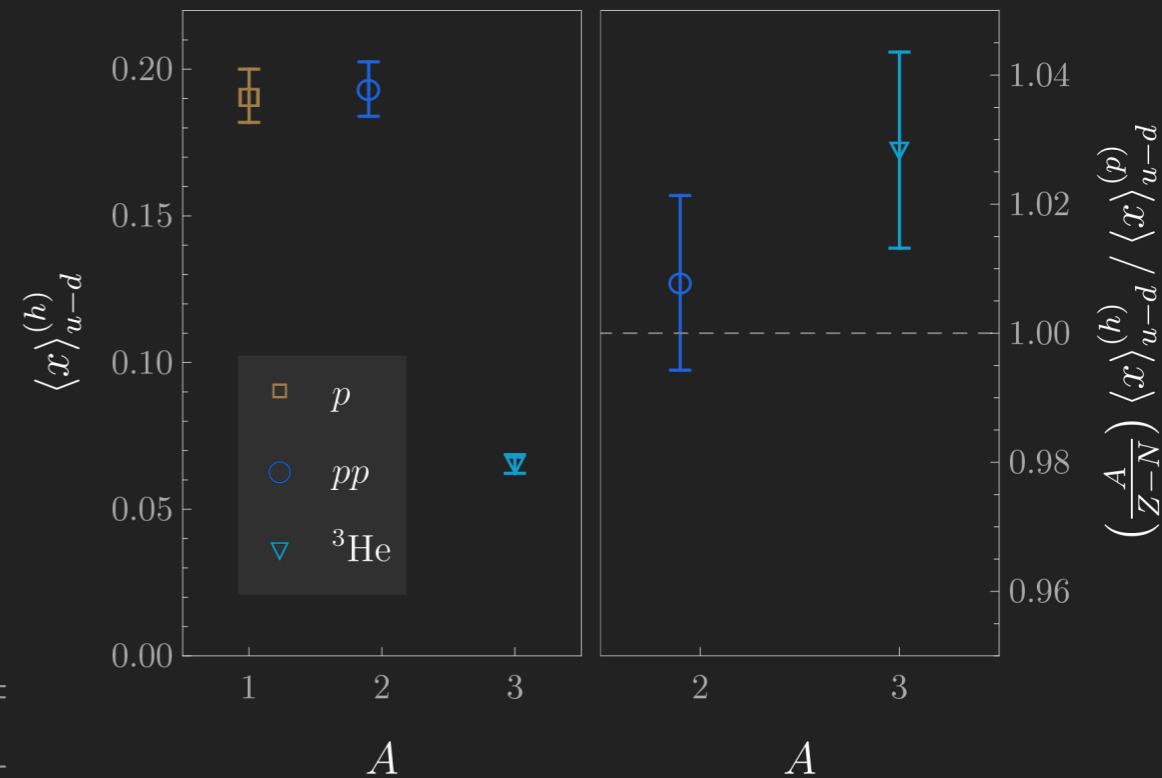
- ▶ NPLQCD calculation of various matrix elements in nuclei: focus on momentum fraction
 - ▶ Local twist-2 operator matrix element

$$\bar{q}\gamma^{\{\mu_1} D^{\mu_2} \dots D^{\mu_n\}} q$$

- ▶ Unphysical quark masses for which pion mass is 806 MeV
- ▶ Single fixed volume $L \sim 4.5$ fm
- ▶ pp and ${}^3\text{He}$ systems



[WD et al. PRL 2021]



	p	pp	${}^3\text{He}$
$\langle x \rangle_{u-d}^{(h)}$	0.191(1)(9)	0.194(2)(9)	0.066(1)(3)
$\left(\frac{A}{Z-N}\right) \frac{\langle x \rangle_{u-d}^{(h)}}{\langle x \rangle_{u-d}^{(p)}}$	—	1.007(14)	1.028(15)

See Phiala Shanahan's talk
EG.00002 @ 11:57 today

TWIST-2 OPERATORS

- ▶ EFT: match QCD operators to all possible hadronic operators with same symmetries
- ▶ Used in pion and N sectors to connect lattice PDF moments to experiment [Arndt & Savage; Chen & Ji; Detmold et al.,...]
- ▶ Isoscalar, spin independent operator matching:

$$\bar{q}\gamma^{\{\mu_1} D^{\mu_2} \dots D^{\mu_n\}} q \longrightarrow + c_n N^\dagger \mathcal{V}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} N + c'_n N^\dagger S^{\{\mu_1} A^{\mu_2} \mathcal{V}^{\mu_3 \dots \mu_n\}} N + \dots$$

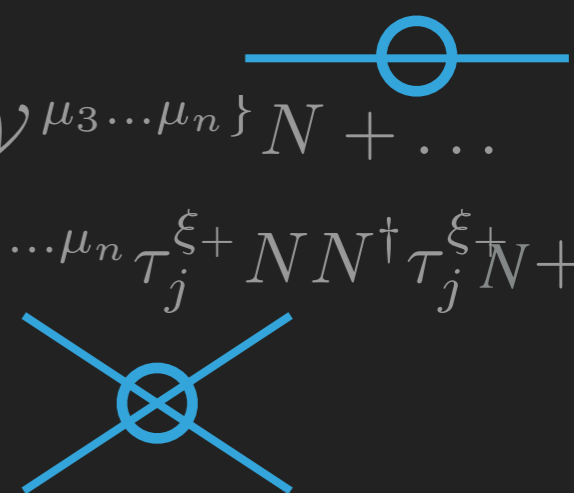
$$+ \alpha_n N^\dagger \mathcal{V}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} N N^\dagger N + \beta_n N^\dagger \mathcal{V}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} \tau_j^{\xi\pm} N N^\dagger \tau_j^{\xi\pm} N + \dots$$

Two body counterterms

▶ where

$$\mathcal{V}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} = \left(v + i \frac{D}{M} \right)^{\mu_1} \dots \left(v + i \frac{D}{M} \right)^{\mu_n}$$

$$\tau_j^{\xi\pm} = \frac{1}{2} (\xi^\dagger \tau_j \xi \pm \xi \tau_j \xi^\dagger)$$



NUCLEAR PDF MOMENTS

- ▶ Nucleon matrix elements (includes pion loop effects)

$$v_{\mu_1} \cdots v_{\mu_n} \langle N | \mathcal{O}^{\mu_1 \cdots \mu_n} | N \rangle = \langle x^n \rangle_q$$

- ▶ Nuclear matrix elements

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x^n \rangle_{q|A} &\equiv v_{\mu_1} \cdots v_{\mu_n} \langle A | \mathcal{O}^{\mu_1 \cdots \mu_n} | A \rangle \\ &= \langle x^n \rangle_q \left[A + \underbrace{\alpha_n \langle A | (N^\dagger N)^2 | A \rangle}_{\text{Dominant term}} + \beta_n \langle A | (N^\dagger \tau N)^2 | A \rangle \right] + \dots \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ β_n term suppressed by N_c^2 [Kaplan & Savage 96; K & Manohar 97]
- ▶ Ellipsis includes higher-body operators, terms with derivatives: higher-order in power-counting