



Theory of Light Muonic Atoms

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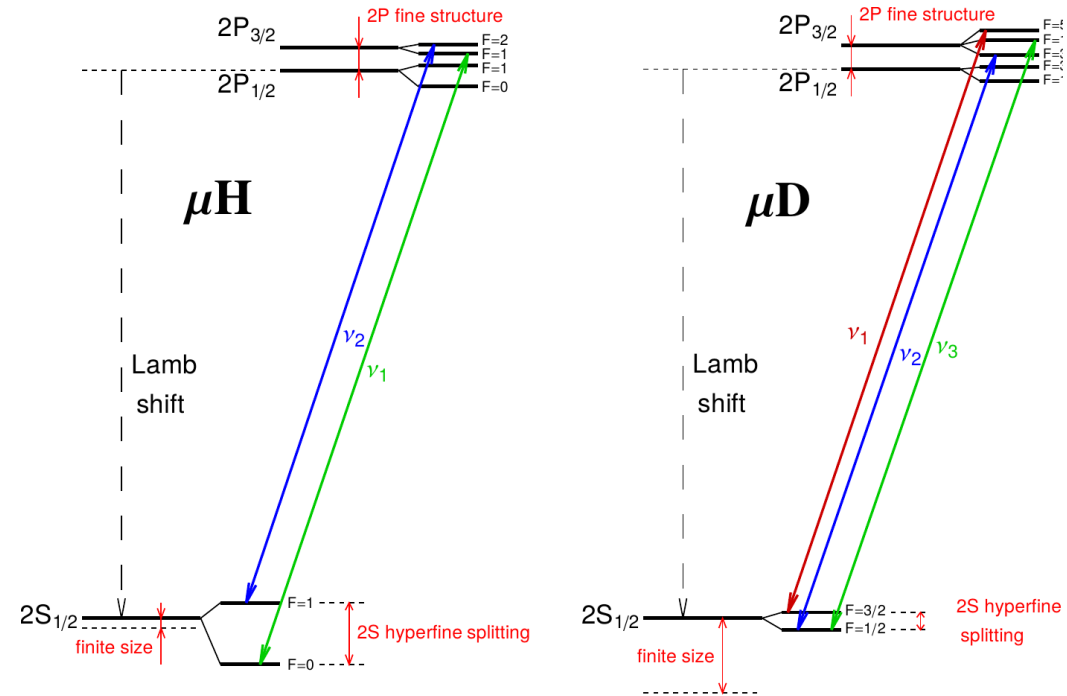
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Light Muonic (H-like) Atoms and Ions

- Light Muonic Atoms: $Z=1,2,\dots$?
- This talk focuses on μH and μD (predominantly)
- Mostly Lamb shift is considered (a few words on μH HFS)
- Basic ideas about the theory (QED, FS, NS)
- Nuclear structure contribution: Two-photon exchange (TPE)
- Data-driven or effective field theory: Treatment of TPE
- Results for μH
- Remarks about heavier nuclei
- Results for μD
- Outlook



A Scary Table

TABLE I Contributions to the $2P_{1/2} - 2S_{1/2}$ energy difference E_L in meV, with the charge radii r_C given in fm. All corrections larger than 3% of the overall uncertainty are included. Theoretical predictions for E_L are $E_L(\text{theo}) = E_{\text{QED}} + \mathcal{C} r_C^2 + E_{\text{NS}}$. The last two rows show the values of r_C determined from a comparison of $E_L(\text{theo})$ to $E_L(\text{exp})$.

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– theory review (2022)
^aexperiment:
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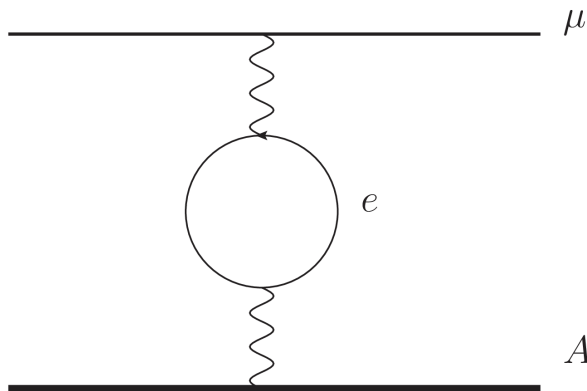
(Partial) expansion in powers of $\alpha, Z\alpha$: light means that you can still expand

Recoil (expansion in powers of m_μ/M_A): more important than in ordinary atoms

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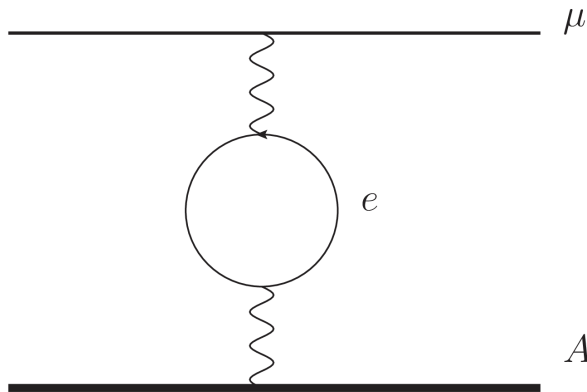
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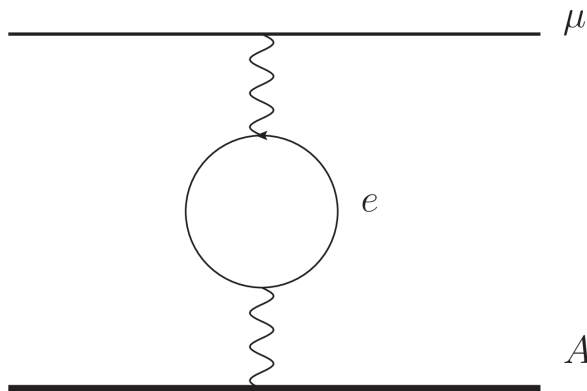
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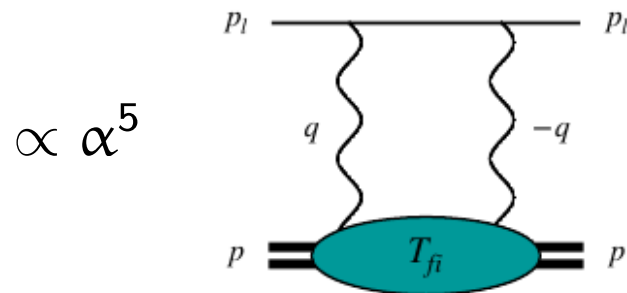
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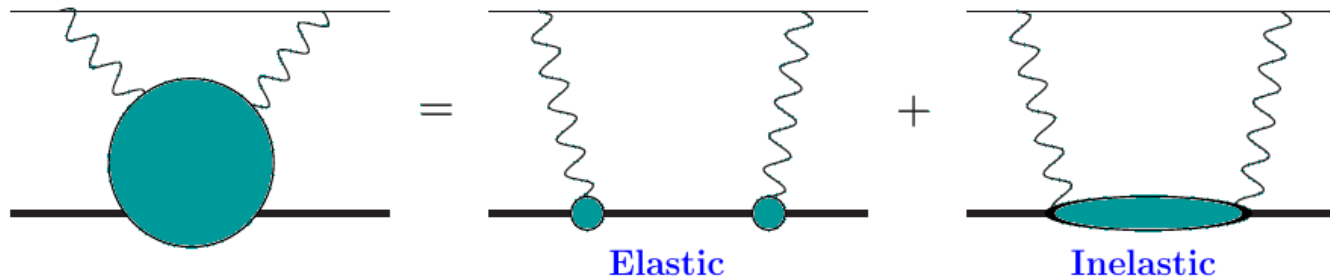
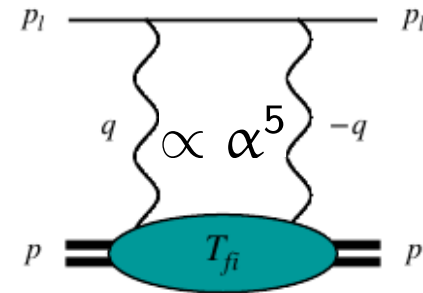


$$\Delta E_{nS} = \frac{2\pi Z\alpha}{3} \frac{1}{\pi(an)^3} \left[r_C^2 - \frac{Z\alpha m_r}{2} R_F^3 \right] + \dots$$

- TPE also dominates the uncertainty (90-95%)
- Finite size enhanced (by a factor $\sim 10^8$) – great sensitivity!
- Also greater sensitivity to subleading nuclear structure

TPE and VVCS

- TPE is naturally described in terms of (doubly virtual fwd) Compton scattering (VVCS)
- Elastic ($\nu = \pm Q^2/2M_{\text{target}}$, elastic e.m. form factors) and inelastic (\sim nuclear generalised polarisabilities)



- Forward spin-1/2 VVCS amplitude

$$\alpha_{\text{em}} M^{\mu\nu}(\nu, Q^2) = - \left\{ \left(-g^{\mu\nu} + \frac{q^\mu q^\nu}{q^2} \right) T_1(\nu, Q^2) + \frac{1}{M^2} \left(p^\mu - \frac{p \cdot q}{q^2} q^\mu \right) \left(p^\nu - \frac{p \cdot q}{q^2} q^\nu \right) T_2(\nu, Q^2) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{i}{M} \epsilon^{\nu\mu\alpha\beta} q_\alpha s_\beta S_1(\nu, Q^2) + \frac{i}{M^3} \epsilon^{\nu\mu\alpha\beta} q_\alpha (p \cdot q s_\beta - s \cdot q p_\beta) S_2(\nu, Q^2) \right\}$$

\sim HFS

Lamb Shift:
$$E_{nS}^{2\gamma} = -8i\pi\alpha m [\phi_n(0)]^2 \int_s \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{(Q^2 - 2\nu^2) T_1(\nu, Q^2) - (Q^2 + \nu^2) T_2(\nu, Q^2)}{Q^4(Q^4 - 4m^2\nu^2)}$$

VVCS and Structure Functions

- Forward spin-1/2 VVCS amplitude

$$\alpha_{\text{em}} M^{\mu\nu}(\nu, Q^2) = - \left\{ \left(-g^{\mu\nu} + \frac{q^\mu q^\nu}{q^2} \right) T_1(\nu, Q^2) + \frac{1}{M^2} \left(p^\mu - \frac{p \cdot q}{q^2} q^\mu \right) \left(p^\nu - \frac{p \cdot q}{q^2} q^\nu \right) T_2(\nu, Q^2) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{i}{M} \epsilon^{\nu\mu\alpha\beta} q_\alpha s_\beta S_1(\nu, Q^2) + \frac{i}{M^3} \epsilon^{\nu\mu\alpha\beta} q_\alpha (p \cdot q s_\beta - s \cdot q p_\beta) S_2(\nu, Q^2) \right\}$$

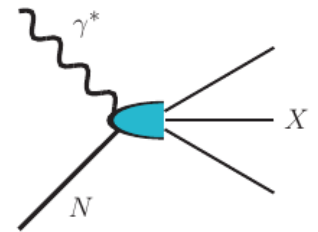
- Unitarity and analyticity, data-driven: dispersive relations

Structure functions $F_1(x, Q^2)$, $F_2(x, Q^2)$, $g_1(x, Q^2)$, $g_2(x, Q^2)$

$$T_1(\nu, Q^2) = T_1(0, Q^2) + \frac{32\pi M \nu^2}{Q^4} \int_0^1 dx \frac{x F_1(x, Q^2)}{1 - x^2(\nu/\nu_{\text{el}})^2 - i0^+},$$

$$T_2(\nu, Q^2) = \frac{16\pi M}{Q^2} \int_0^1 dx \frac{F_2(x, Q^2)}{1 - x^2(\nu/\nu_{\text{el}})^2 - i0^+}$$

- The subtraction function is not directly accessible in experiment
- Data on structure functions is sometimes deficient (in practice, for any light nuclei heavier than proton)



EFTs for TPE (and *vice versa*)

Lamb Shift:
$$E_{nS}^{2\gamma} = -8i\pi\alpha m [\phi_n(0)]^2 \int_s \frac{d^4q}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{(Q^2 - 2v^2) T_1(v, Q^2) - (Q^2 + v^2) T_2(v, Q^2)}{Q^4(Q^4 - 4m^2v^2)}$$

- Typical energies in (muonic) atoms are small: natural to use EFTs
- Chiral EFT (covariant, HB, ...) or (even) pionless EFT for nuclear effects
- Expansion in powers of a small parameter, order-by-order uncertainty
- TPE effect is needed to high precision to extract radii

Correction		μH	μD	$\mu^3\text{He}^+$	$\mu^4\text{He}^+$
E_{QED}	point nucleus	206.034 4(3)	228.774 0(3)	1644.348(8)	1668.491(7)
$C r_C^2$	finite size	$-5.225 9 r_p^2$	$-6.107 4 r_d^2$	$-103.383 r_h^2$	$-106.209 r_\alpha^2$
E_{NS}	nuclear structure	0.028 9(25)	1.750 3(200)	15.499(378)	9.276(433)
$E_L(\text{exp})$	experiment ^a	202.370 6(23)	202.878 5(34)	1258.612(86)	1378.521(48)

- a rather high order calculation of these effects is typically needed
- If TPE can be extracted (e.g. isotope shifts and/or known radii), this provides a benchmark for the theory
- Can calculate either VVCS or structure functions

Lamb Shift of μH in Covariant B χ PT

- Delta counting: $\Delta = M_\Delta - M \gg m_\pi$

Pascalutsa, Phillips (2003)

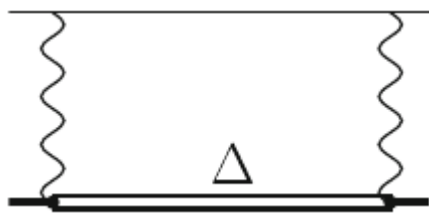
- The contributions of the Delta isobar are suppressed by powers of m_π/Δ
- Expansion in powers of

$$p/\Delta \sim m_\pi/\Delta \sim 0.5$$

- LO B χ PT: pion-nucleon loops

$$\Delta E_{2S}^{\text{LO, pol}} = -9.6_{-2.9}^{+1.4} \mu\text{eV}$$

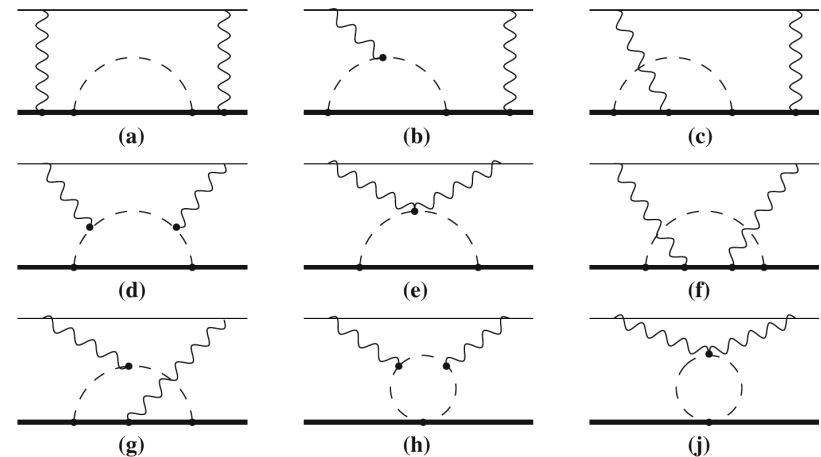
- Delta exchange:



- suppressed in $\Delta E_{2S}^{\text{pol}}$ but affects the subtraction
- insert transition form factors (Jones-Scadron)

$$\Delta E_{2S}^{\Delta-\text{pole}} = 0.95 \pm 0.95 \mu\text{eV}$$

VL, Hagelstein, Pascalutsa, Vanderhaeghen (2017)

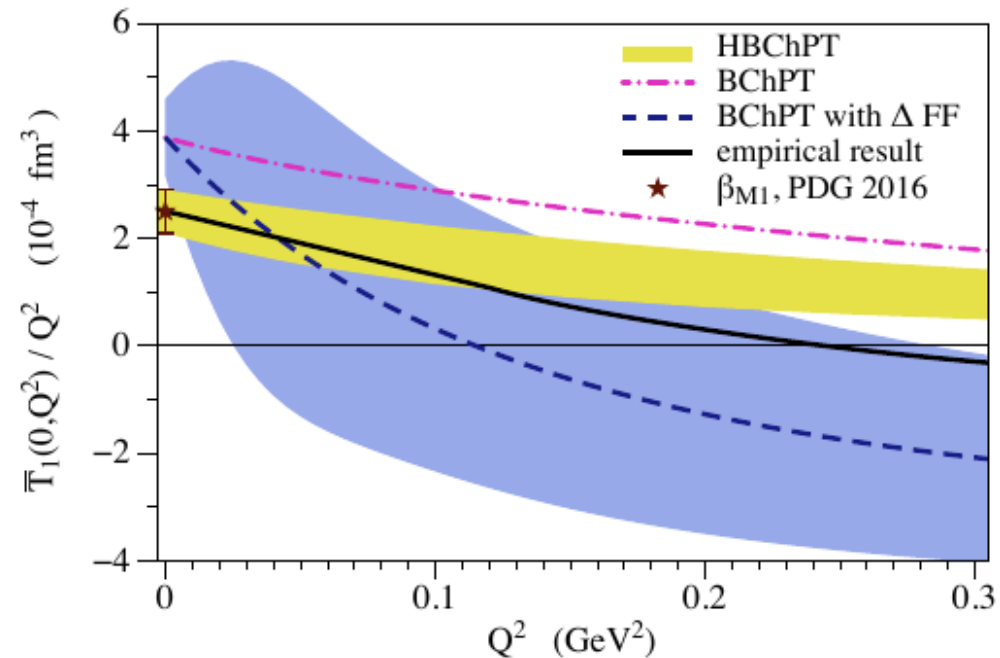


Alarcon, VL, Pascalutsa (2014)

Various Subtraction Functions

- The diversity of the results for the proton subtraction function $T_1(0, Q^2)$
 - HBChPT: dipole FF, matches β_{M1} [PDG] and the slope at 0
modification of Birse, McGovern (2012)
 - BChPT: transition FFs change the subtraction function
 - Empirical: Regge asymptotic at high energy subtracted

Tomalak, Vanderhaeghen (2015)



VL, Hagelstein, Pascalutsa, Vanderhaeghen (2017)

- Zero crossing at low Q^2 – emerges in BChPT with FFs; established in the empirical derivation, but the position not well known (0.1..0.4 GeV^2)
- Big cancellations between different mechanisms (πN and $\pi \Delta$ loops vs. Δ pole), also cancellations in the LS integral because of the sign change
- Empirical derivation has sizeable errors towards $Q^2 = 0$ (not shown) attributed to mismatch between structure function fit in the resonance region (Christy-Bosted) and at high energies (Donnachie-Landshoff) => needs **a better (combined) structure function parametrization**

Lamb Shift of μH in Various Approaches

Table 1 Forward 2γ -exchange contributions to the $2S$ -shift in μH , in units of μeV .

Reference	$E_{2S}^{(\text{subt})}$	$E_{2S}^{(\text{inel})}$	$E_{2S}^{(\text{pol})}$	$E_{2S}^{(\text{el})}$	$E_{2S}^{(2\gamma)}$
DATA-DRIVEN DISPERSIVE EVALUATION					
(75) Pachucki '99	1.9	-13.9	-12(2)	-23.2(1.0)	-35.2(2.2)
(76) Martynenko '06	2.3	-16.1	-13.8(2.9)		
(77) Carlson <i>et al.</i> '11	5.3(1.9)	-12.7(5)	-7.4(2.0)		
(78) Birse and McGovern '12	4.2(1.0)	-12.7(5)	-8.5(1.1)	-24.7(1.6)	-33(2)
(79) Gorchtein <i>et al.</i> '13 ^a	-2.3(4.6)	-13.0(6)	-15.3(4.6)	-24.5(1.2)	-39.8(4.8)
(80) Hill and Paz '16					-30(13)
(81) Tomalak'18	2.3(1.3)		-10.3(1.4)	-18.6(1.6)	-29.0(2.1)
LEADING-ORDER $B\chi\text{PT}$					
(82) Alarcón <i>et al.</i> '14			-9.6 ^{+1.4} _{-2.9}		
(83) Lensky <i>et al.</i> '17 ^b	3.5 ^{+0.5} _{-1.9}	-12.1(1.8)	-8.6 ^{+1.3} _{-5.2}		
LATTICE QCD					
(84) Fu <i>et al.</i> '22					-37.4(4.9)

^aAdjusted values due to a different decomposition into the elastic and polarizability contributions.

^bPartially includes the $\Delta(1232)$ -isobar contribution.

Antognini, Hagelstein, Pascalutsa (2022)

- Agreement between different approaches, also on the size of the subtraction contribution separately – despite the variation in $T_1(0, Q^2)$
- Still, $T_1(0, Q^2)$ carries the biggest uncertainty, and needs to be further constrained [esp. in view of a more precise experiment]

see Randolph Pohl's talk

HFS of μH in Covariant B χ PT

$$E_{\text{hfs}}(nS) = \frac{8}{3} \frac{Z\alpha}{(an)^3} \frac{1+\kappa}{mM} (1 + \Delta_{\text{QED}} + \Delta_{\text{weak}} + \Delta_{\text{strong}})$$

$$\Delta_{\text{strong}} = \Delta_Z + \Delta_{\text{recoil}} + \Delta_{\text{pol}}$$

$$\Delta_{\text{pol.}} = \Delta_1 + \Delta_2 = \frac{Zm}{2\pi(1+\kappa)M} (\delta_1 + \delta_2),$$

$$\delta_1 = 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{dQ}{Q} \left\{ \frac{5+4v_l}{(v_l+1)^2} \left[4I_1(Q^2)/Z^2 + F_2^2(Q^2) \right] - \frac{32M^4}{Q^4} \int_0^{x_0} dx x^2 g_1(x, Q^2) \right. \\ \left. \times \frac{1}{(v_l+v_x)(1+v_x)(1+v_l)} \left(4 + \frac{1}{1+v_x} + \frac{1}{v_l+1} \right) \right\},$$

$$\delta_2 = 96M^2 \int_0^\infty \frac{dQ}{Q^3} \int_0^{x_0} dx g_2(x, Q^2) \left(\frac{1}{v_l+v_x} - \frac{1}{v_l+1} \right)$$

$$I_1(Q^2) = \frac{2M^2 Z^2}{Q^2} \int_0^{x_0} dx g_1(x, Q^2)$$

The generalised GDH integral

$$v_l = \sqrt{1+1/\tau_l}, \quad v_x = \sqrt{1+x^2\tau^{-1}}, \quad \tau_l = Q^2/4m^2, \quad \tau = Q^2/4M^2$$

Kinematic functions

HFS of μH in Covariant B χ PT

$$E_{\text{hfs}}(nS) = \frac{8}{3} \frac{Z\alpha}{(an)^3} \frac{1+\kappa}{mM} (1 + \Delta_{\text{QED}} + \Delta_{\text{weak}} + \Delta_{\text{strong}})$$

$$\Delta_{\text{strong}} = \Delta_Z + \Delta_{\text{recoil}} + \Delta_{\text{pol}}$$

$$\Delta_{\text{pol.}} = \Delta_{LT} + \Delta_{TT} + \Delta_{F_2} = \frac{m}{2\pi(1+\kappa)M} (\delta_{LT} + \delta_{TT} + \delta_{F_2}),$$

$$\delta_{LT} = \frac{4M}{\alpha\pi^2} \int_0^\infty dQ \int_0^{x_0} dx \frac{1}{v_l + v_x} \frac{1}{x^2 + \tau} \left[1 - \frac{1}{(1+v_l)(1+v_x)} \right] \sigma_{LT}(x, Q^2),$$

$$\delta_{TT} = \frac{4M^2}{\alpha\pi^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{dQ}{Q} \int_0^{x_0} \frac{dx}{x} \frac{1}{1+v_l} \left[\frac{2\tau}{x^2 + \tau} + \frac{1}{(v_l + v_x)(1+v_x)} \right] \sigma_{TT}(x, Q^2),$$

$$\delta_{F_2} = 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{Q}{Q} \frac{5 + 4v_l}{(v_l + 1)^2} F_2^2(Q^2)$$

$$v_l = \sqrt{1 + 1/\tau_l}, \quad v_x = \sqrt{1 + x^2\tau^{-1}}, \quad \tau_l = Q^2/4m^2, \quad \tau = Q^2/4M^2$$

Kinematic functions

- Rewritten in terms of scattering cross sections

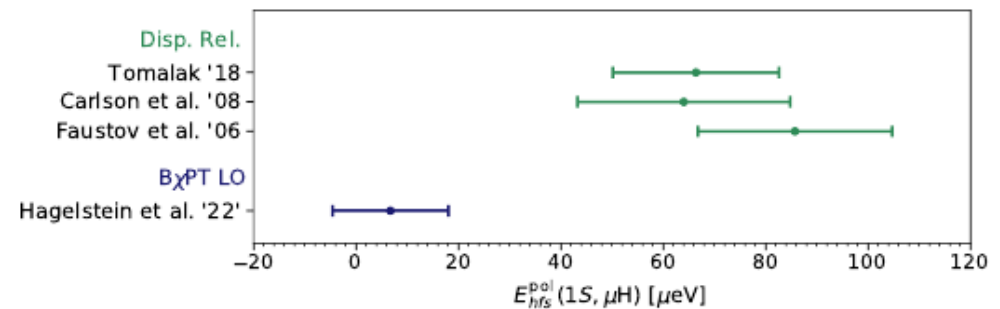
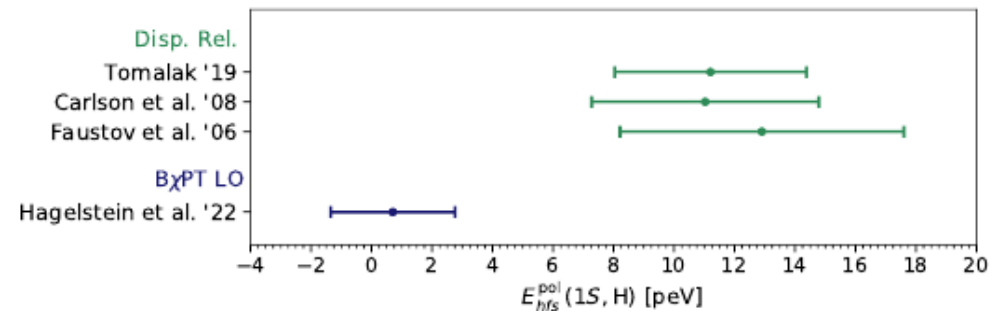
HFS of μH in Covariant $\text{B}\chi\text{PT}$: Cancellations

- LO $\text{B}\chi\text{PT}$ result

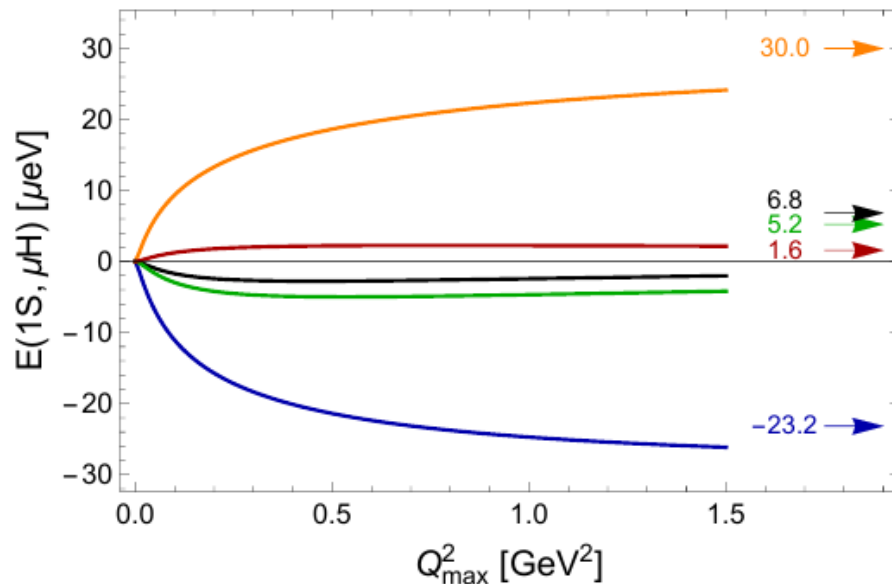
$$E_{\text{hfs}}^{\langle\text{LO}\rangle \text{pol.}}(1S, \text{H}) = 0.69(2.03) \text{ peV}$$

$$E_{\text{hfs}}^{\langle\text{LO}\rangle \text{pol.}}(1S, \mu\text{H}) = 6.8(11.4) \mu\text{eV}$$

- Consistent with zero
- **Cancellations!**



Hagelstein, VL, Pascalutsa (2023)

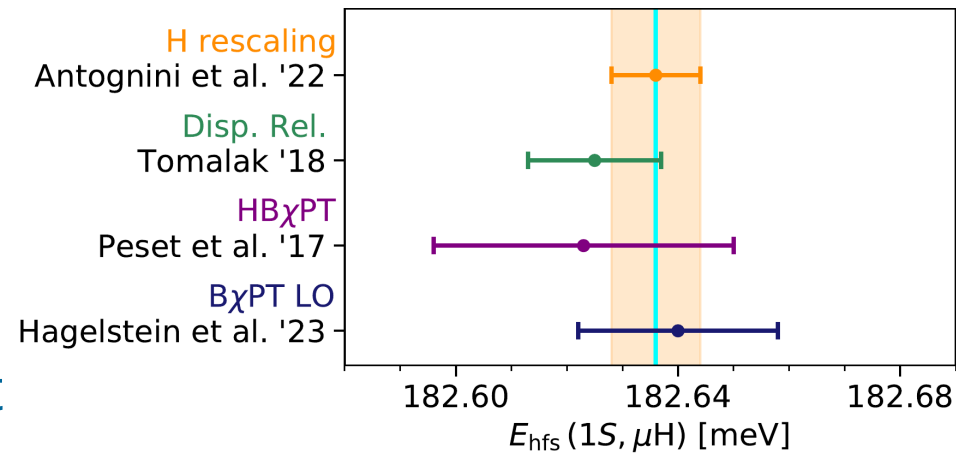


- $E(\Delta_{\text{pol.}})$
- $E(\Delta_{\text{LT}})$
- $E(\Delta_{\text{TT}})$
- $E(\Delta_1)$
- $E(\Delta_2)$

- The LT and TT contributions are large and almost cancel each other
- The LO $\text{B}\chi\text{PT}$ result is nearly zero
- Sizeable uncertainty

HFS of μH

- Compare with expected experimental precision (cyan line)
- Theory needs to do better than that
- Rescaling non-recoil contributions from the HFS in H



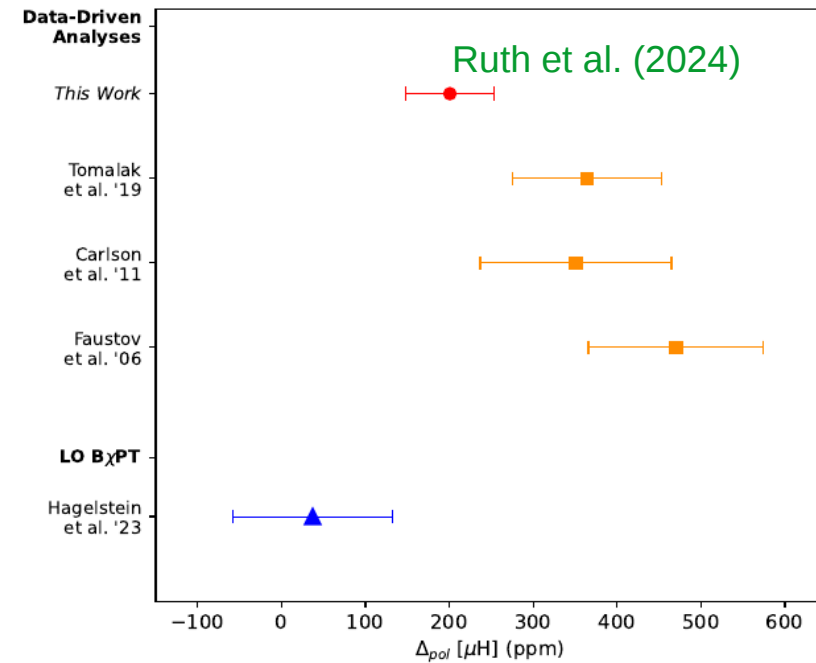
$$E_{nS-hfs}^{Z+pol}(\mu\text{H}) = \frac{E_F(\mu\text{H}) m_r(\mu\text{H}) b_{nS}(\mu\text{H})}{n^3 E_F(H) m_r(H) b_{1S}(H)} E_{1S-hfs}^{Z+pol}(H) - \frac{E_F(\mu\text{H})}{n^3} \Delta_{pol}(\mu\text{H}) \underbrace{\left[c_{1S}(H) \frac{b_{nS}(\mu\text{H})}{b_{1S}(H)} - c_{nS}(\mu\text{H}) \right]}_{\simeq 10^{-5}}$$

Antognini, Hagelstein, Pascalutsa (2022)

- New results from g2p@JLab shrink discrepancy between data and B χ PT

$$0.02 \text{ GeV}^2 < Q^2 < 0.12 \text{ GeV}^2$$

- Can one do better than that?
One needs to limit the frequency scan region! see [Randolf Pohl's talk](#)



Nuclei Heavier than Proton

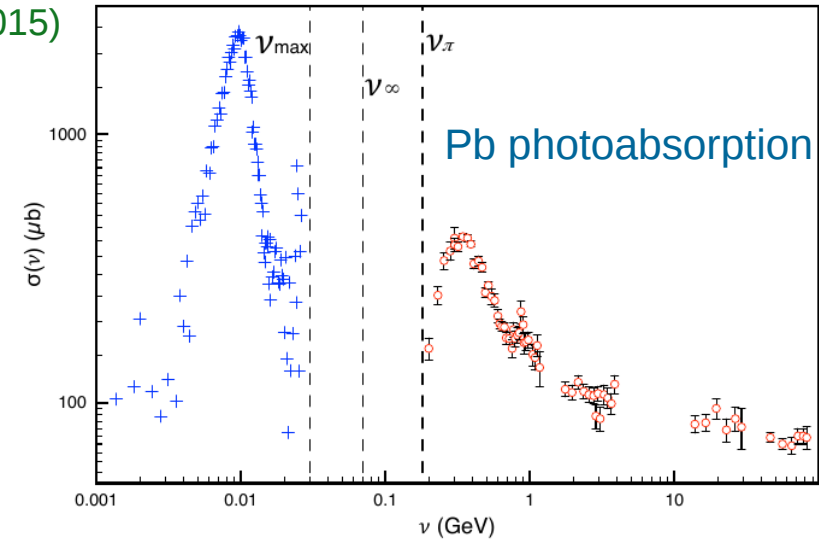
- Most of the TPE correction is nuclear (as with pointlike nucleons)
- Nuclear part of subtraction function converges (finite energy sum rule)

Gorchtein (2015)

- TPE with nuclear response functions calculated ab initio will converge
- Most widely used method

$$E_{\text{pol}} = -\frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{3} \phi^2(0) \int_{E_T} dE \sqrt{\frac{2\mu}{E}} |\langle \Phi_N | \tilde{d} | E \rangle|^2$$

See Nir Barnea's talk for more details on this method!



- Single-nucleon contributions are treated separately

Ji et al. (2018)

- relatively more important in heavier nuclei
- sizeable uncertainty!
- neutron not so well constrained empirically (especially important in $\mu^3\text{H}$)

	δ_{Zem}^A	δ_{pol}^A	δ_{Zem}^N	δ_{pol}^N	δ_{TPE}
$\mu^2\text{H}$	-0.423(04)	-1.245(13)	-0.030(02)	-0.020(10)	-1.718(17)
$\mu^3\text{H}$	-0.227(06)	-0.480(11)	-0.033(02)	-0.031(17)	-0.771(22)
$\mu^3\text{He}^+$	-10.49(23)	-4.23(18)	-0.52(03)	-0.25(13)	-15.49(33)
$\mu^4\text{He}^+$	-6.14(31)	-2.35(13)	-0.54(03)	-0.34(20)	-9.37(44)

nuclear
individual nucleons

Deuteron VVCS in Pionless EFT

- Nucleons are non-relativistic $\rightarrow E \simeq p^2/M = O(p^2)$
- Loop integrals $dE d^3p = O(p^5)$
- Nucleon propagators $(E - p^2/2M)^{-1} = O(p^{-2})$
- Typical momenta $p \sim \gamma = \sqrt{ME_d} \simeq 45 \text{ MeV}$
- Photon momenta $|\vec{q}| \sim p, \quad \nu \sim p^2$
- Expansion parameter $p/m_\pi \simeq \gamma/m_\pi \simeq 1/3$
- NN system has a low-lying bound/virtual state \rightarrow enhance S-wave coupling constants, resum the LO NN S-wave scattering amplitude
- z-parametrization (reproducing deuteron S-wave asymptotics at NLO)

- Easy to solve (analytic results for NN)
- Explicit gauge invariance and renormalisability
- A field theory treatment!

Kaplan, Savage, Wise (1998)
Chen, Rupak, Savage (1999)
Phillips, Rupak, Savage (1999)

Counting for VVCS and TPE: Predictive Powers

- Longitudinal and Transverse amplitudes

$$f_L(\nu, Q^2) = -T_1(\nu, Q^2) + \left(1 + \frac{\nu^2}{Q^2}\right) T_2(\nu, Q^2), \quad f_T(\nu, Q^2) = T_1(\nu, Q^2)$$

Lamb Shift:

$$\Delta E_{nl} = -8i\pi m [\phi_{nl}(0)]^2 \int_s \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{f_L(\nu, Q^2) + 2(\nu^2/Q^2)f_T(\nu, Q^2)}{Q^2(Q^4 - 4m^2\nu^2)}$$

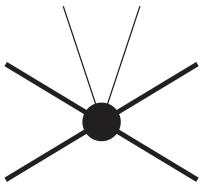
$$f_L = O(p^{-2}), \quad f_T = O(p^0) \quad \text{in the VVCS amplitude}$$

$$\text{longitudinal} = O(p^{-2}), \quad \text{transverse} = O(p^2) \quad \text{in TPE}$$

$$\alpha_{E1} = 0.64 \text{ fm}^3$$

$$\beta_{M1} = 0.07 \text{ fm}^3$$

- Transverse contribution to TPE starts only at N4LO
- N4LO: ΔE_{nl} needs to be regularised, an **unknown** lepton-NN LEC
- We go up to N3LO in f_L , and up to (relative) NLO in f_T [cross check]
- One unknown LEC at N3LO in f_L
 - important for the **charge form factor**
 - extracted** from the H-D isotope shift and proton R_E



Amplitude with Deuterons

- The reaction amplitude is given by the LSZ reduction

$$T = M \left[\frac{d\Sigma(E)}{dE} \Big|_{E=E_d} \right]^{-1}$$

$$M = \text{Diagram 1} + \text{Diagram 2} + \text{Diagram 3} + \dots$$

– irreducible VVCS graphs (here full LO for f_L ; crossed not shown)

$$\Sigma = \text{Diagram 4} + \dots$$

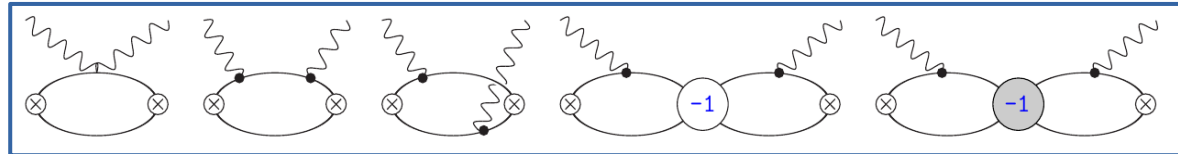
– deuteron self-energy (here at LO)

- The expression for the residue is very simple up to N3LO:

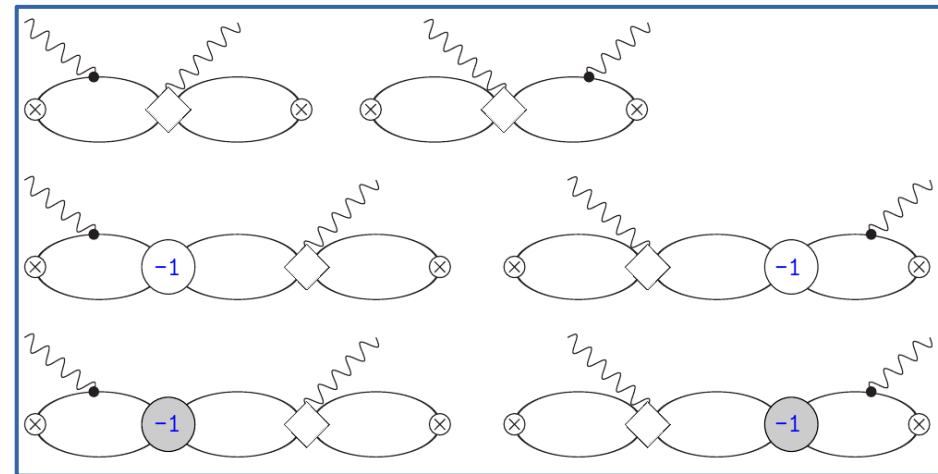
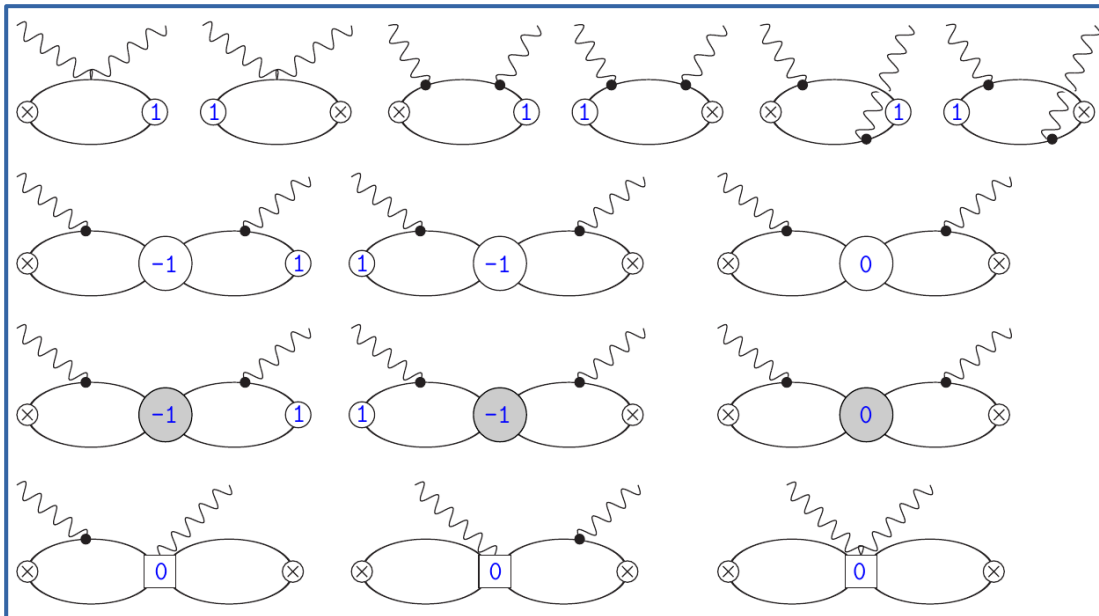
$$\left[\frac{d\Sigma(E)}{dE} \Big|_{E=E_d} \right]^{-1} = \frac{8\pi\gamma}{M^2} [1 + (Z - 1) + 0 + 0 + \dots]$$

Deuteron VVCS: Feynman Graphs

LO



NLO

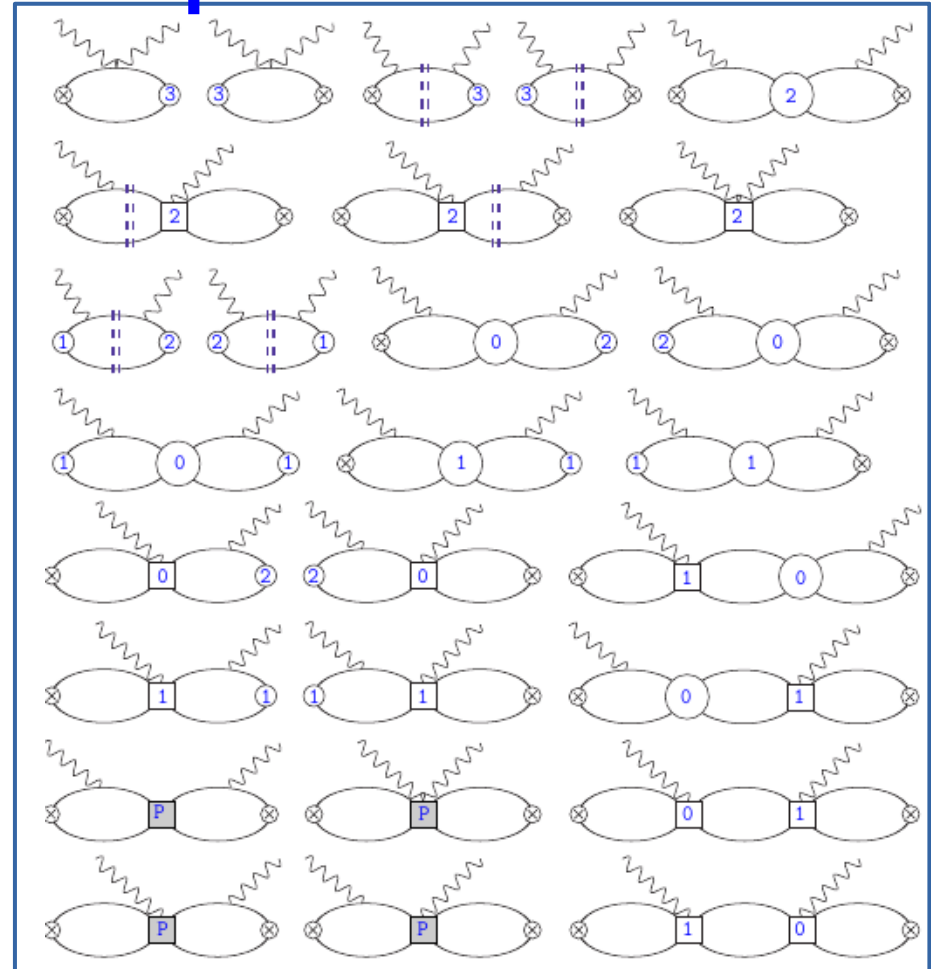
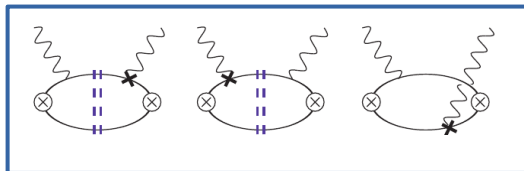
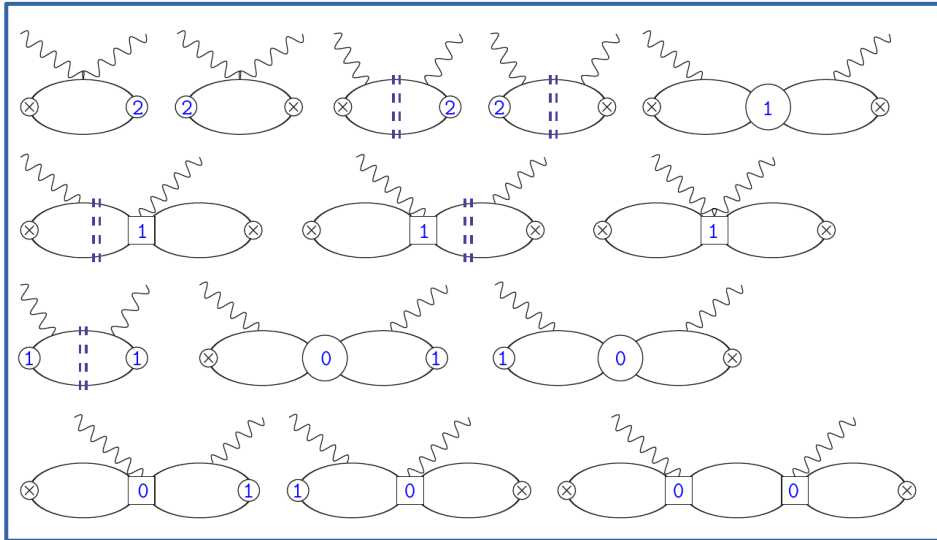


- Amplitudes are calculated analytically (dimreg+PDS) Kaplan, Savage, Wise (1998)
- Checks:
 - the sum of each subgroup (+ respective crossed graphs) is gauge invariant
 - regularisation scale dependence has to vanish

Deuteron VVCS: Feynman Graphs

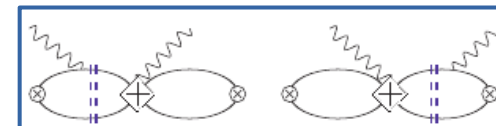
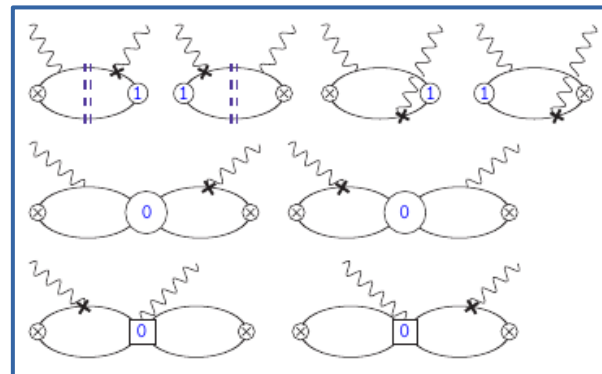
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NNLO



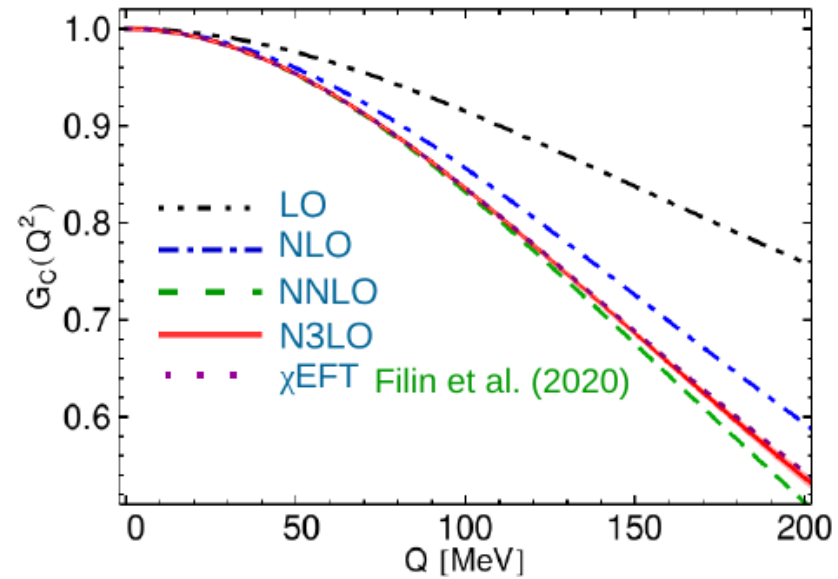
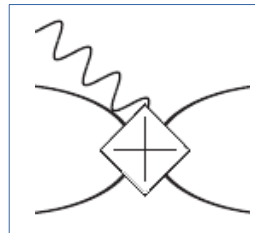
Many interesting results obtained from the VVCS amplitude, e.g., the deuteron (generalised) polarisabilities

VL, Hiller Blin, Pascalutsa (2021)

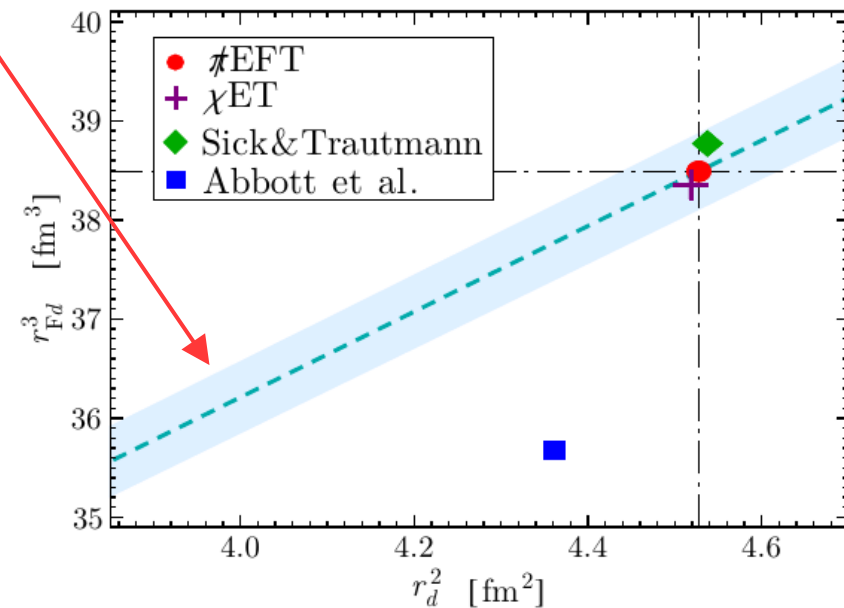


Deuteron Charge Form Factor and TPE in μD

- The deuteron charge form factor obtained from the residue of the VVCS amplitude
- The result is consistent with χ EFT
- **Correlation** between R_F and R_E
 - generated by the N3LO LEC



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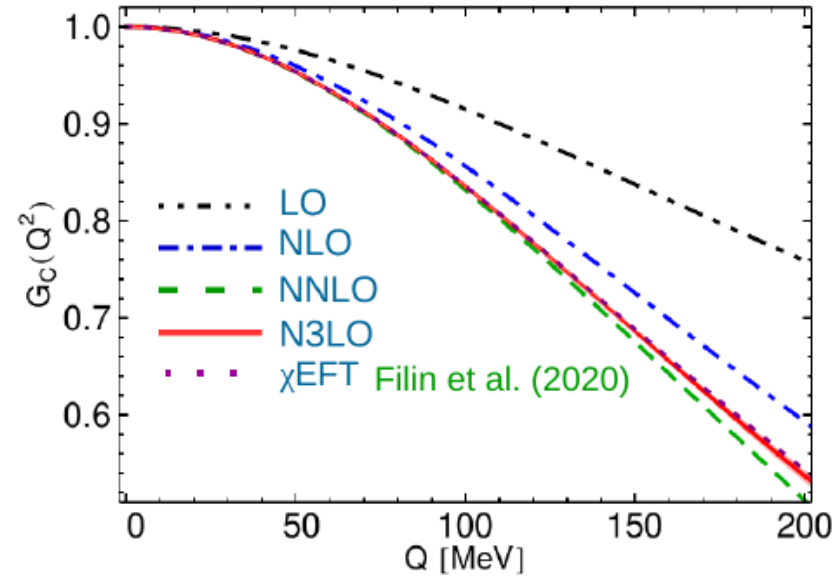
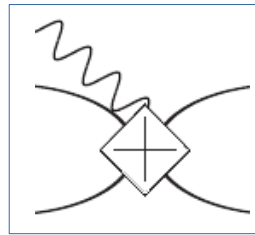
Deuteron Charge Form Factor and TPE in μD

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- The result is consistent with χ EFT
- Correlation between R_F and r_C
 - generated by the N3LO LEC

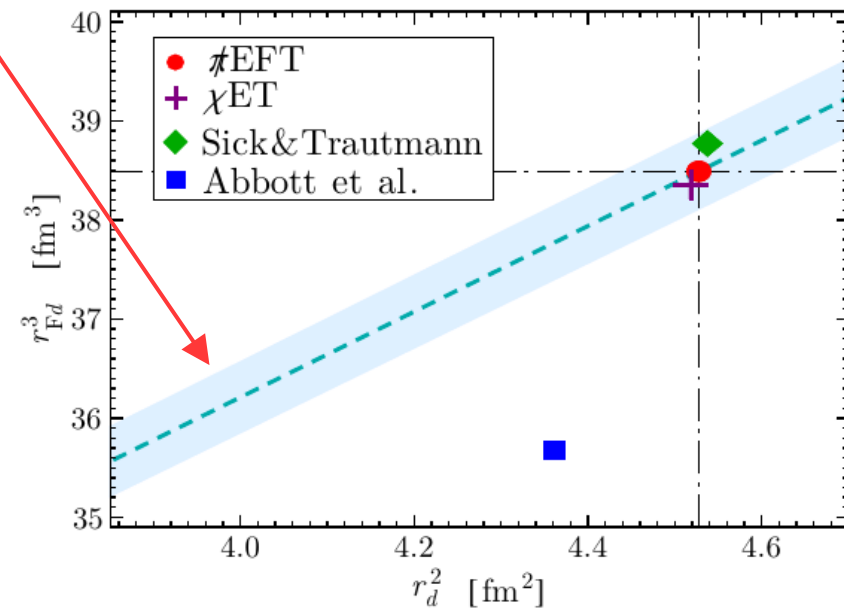
$$R_F^3 = \frac{48}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{dQ}{Q^4} [G_C^2(Q^2) - 1 - 2G_C'(0) Q^2]$$

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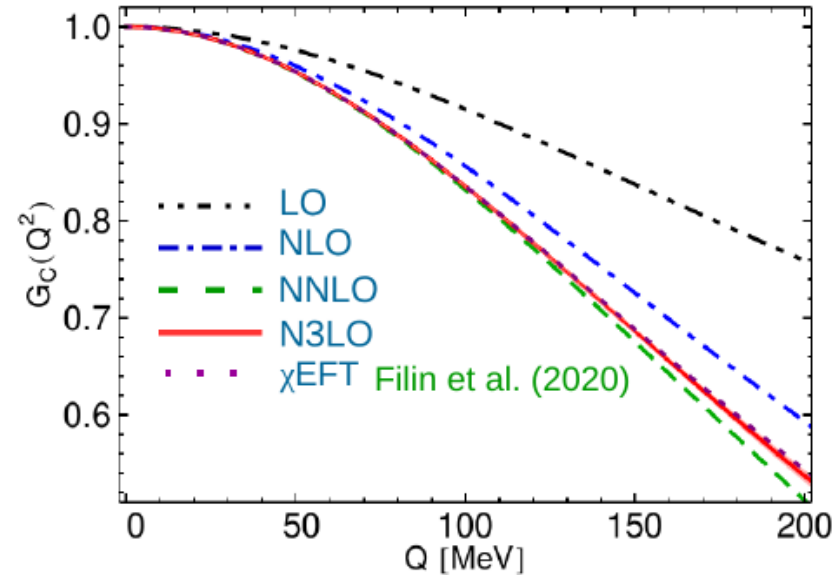
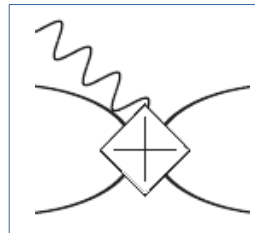


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Deuteron Charge Form Factor and TPE in μD

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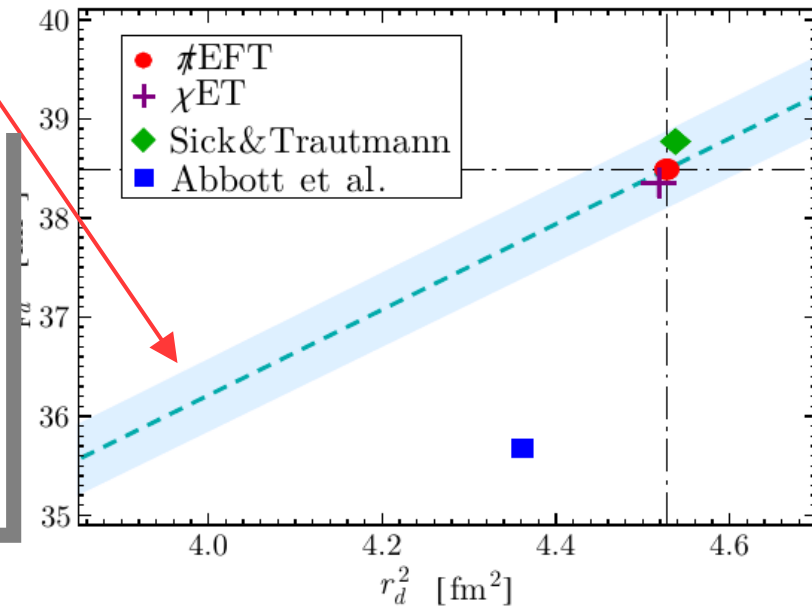
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$$r_C^2 = \bullet \text{ Agreement with } \chi\text{EFT vindicates both EFTs}$$



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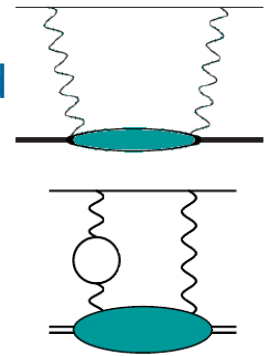
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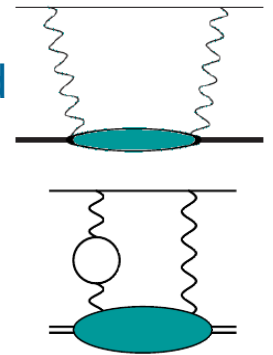
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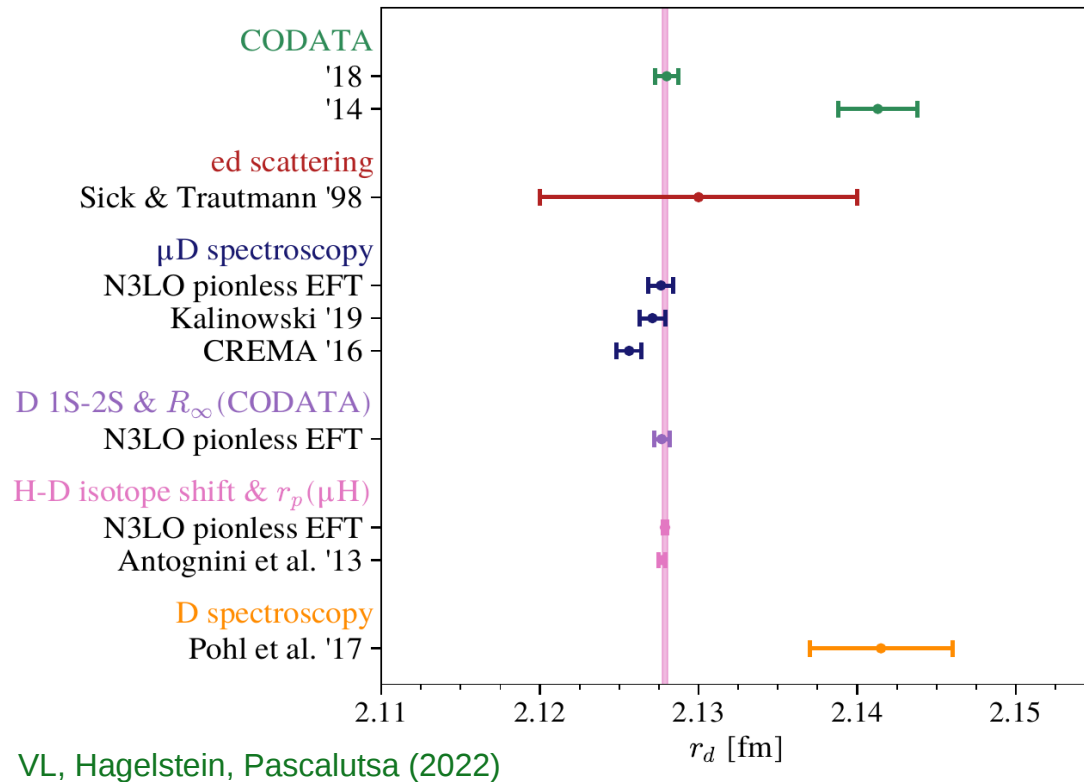
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Deuteron Charge Radius and TPE in μD

- μD , D , and H-D isotope shift all consistent with one another
- Agreement with the very precise empirical value of 2γ exchange

	$E_{2S}^{2\gamma}$ [meV]
Theory prediction	
Krauth et al. '16 [5]	-1.7096(200)
Kalinowski '19 [6, Eq. (6) + (19)]	-1.740(21)
$\not\neq$ EFT (this work)	-1.752(20)
Empirical (μH + iso)	
Pohl et al. '16 [3]	-1.7638(68)
This work	-1.7585(56)



- Agreement with other calculations [most of those evaluate via structure functions (using $\chi\text{EFT}/\text{model NN}$ interactions)]

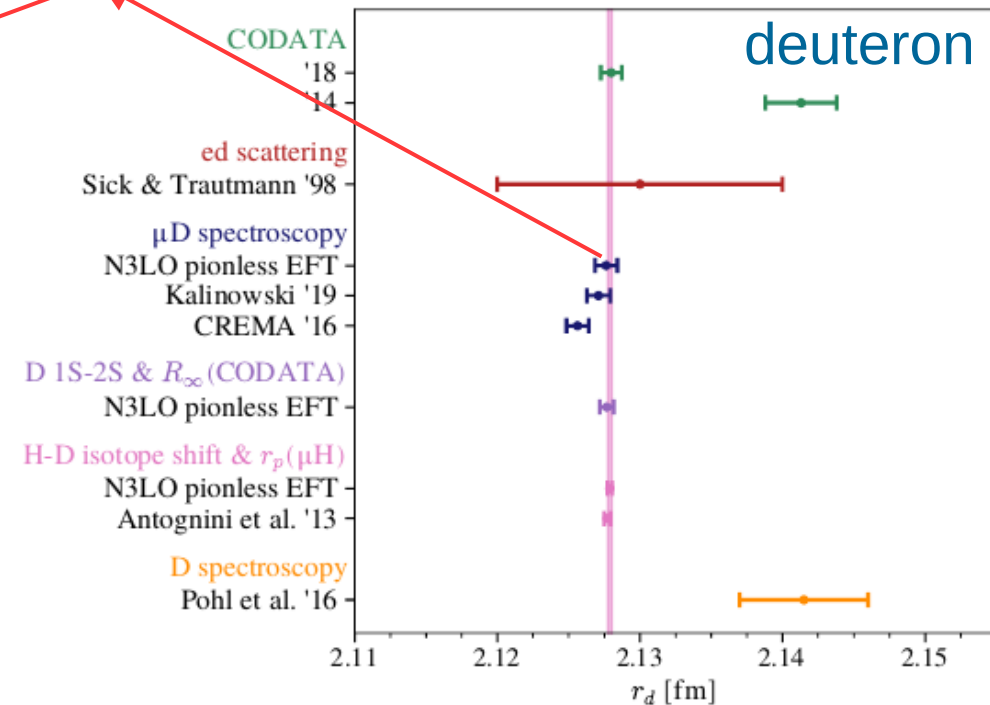
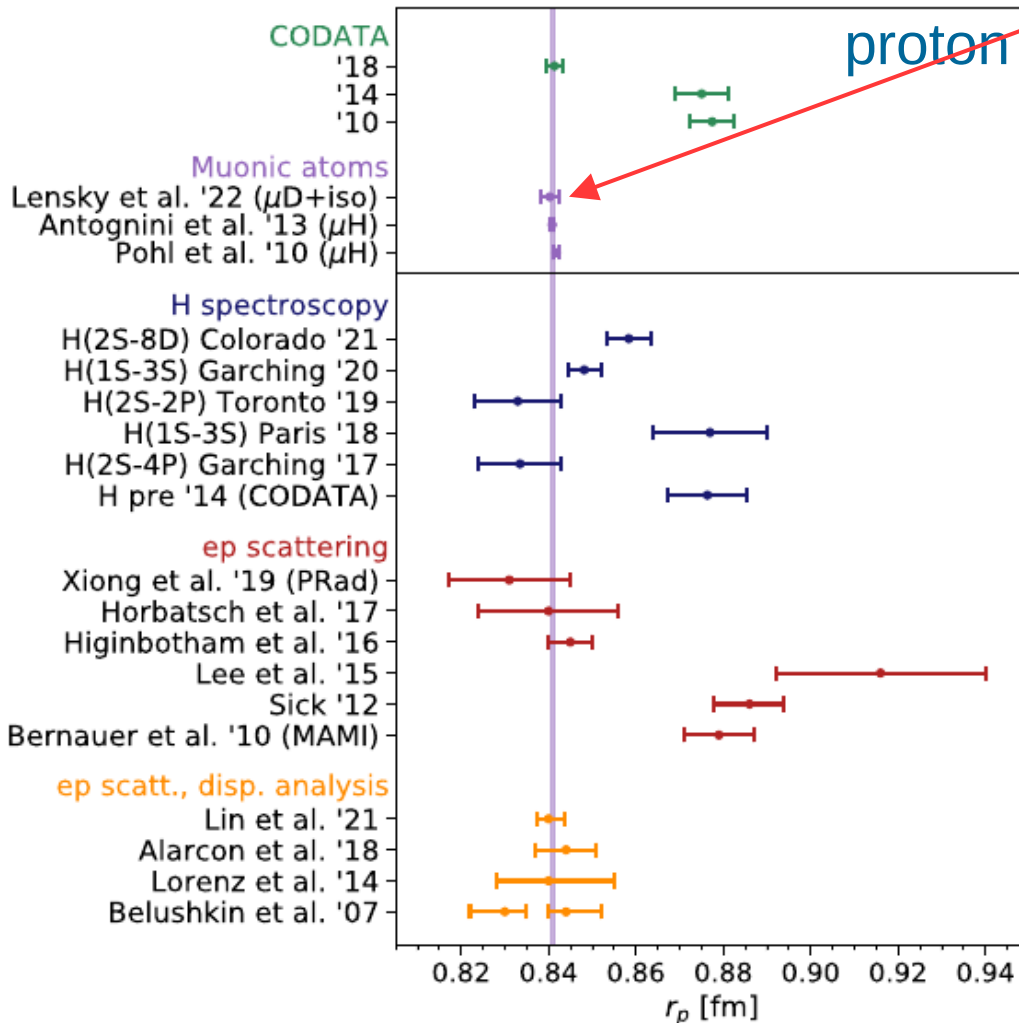
	Correction	μH	μD	$\mu^3\text{He}^+$	$\mu^4\text{He}^+$
E_{QED}	point nucleus	206.034 4(3)	228.774 0(3)	1644.348(8)	1668.491(7)
$C r_C^2$	finite size	-5.225 9 r_p^2	-6.107 4 r_d^2	-103.383 r_h^2	-106.209 r_α^2
E_{NS}	nuclear structure	0.028 9(25)	1.750 3(200)	15.499(378)	9.276(433)
$E_L(\text{exp})$	experiment ^a	202.370 6(23)	202.878 5(34)	1258.612(86)	1378.521(48)

Proton and Deuteron Radii and Isotope Shift

- H-D isotope shift: $E(H, 1S - 2S) - E(D, 1S - 2S)$

$$r_d^2 - r_p^2 = 3.820\,61(31)\text{ fm}^2$$

Jentschura et al. (2011)



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- Muonic Deuterium and H-D isotope shift are consistent with the small proton radius

Summary and Outlook

- The mass of the muon sets a new scale that changes a lot of properties of muonic atoms compared to ordinary atoms
- Muonic (H-like) atoms and ions are important both due to their sensitivity to charge radii and their connection to nuclear/hadron physics (\sim TPE)
- EFTs often produce better results for TPE than data-driven approach
- Single-nucleon effects are sizeable, more important in heavier nuclei
- Higher-order radiative corrections are also becoming important
- μ H: doing rather well, but need to shrink the TPE uncertainty by a factor of ~ 2 or more. How would it be possible (Lamb shift/HFS)? Is it time to revisit the HFS rescaling result?
- μ D (and μ He⁺): can one shrink the theory uncertainty?
- What would be a reasonable strategy for future theory calculations?



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