

# Connecting microscopic NN interactions with heavy nuclei through DFT

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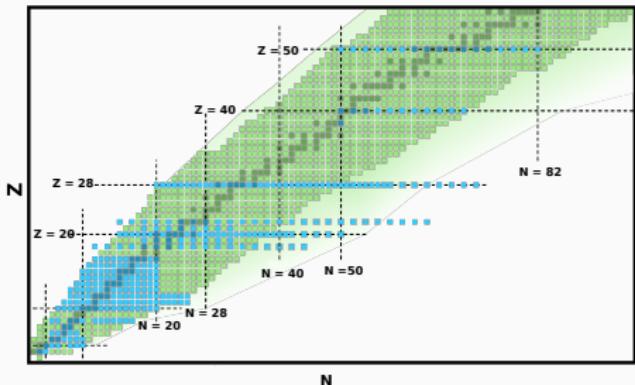
# Outline

- Density Functional Theory:
  - Motivation
  - Overview of self-consistent mean field
  - Implementing a Microscopic Functional
  - Validation calculations
- Elastic Nucleus-Nucleus scattering
  - Coulomb threshold “anomaly”
  - ${}^6\text{Li} + {}^{209}\text{Bi}$  with uncertainties
- Summary and Outlook

# Microscopic DFT

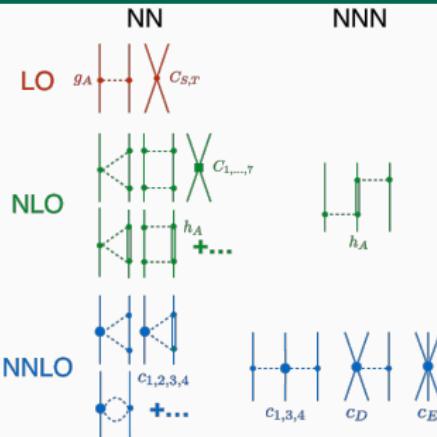
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# Ab-initio methods with $\chi$ -EFT

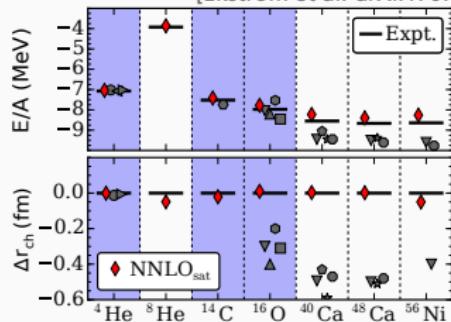


[Hergert et al. Phys. Rept. 621 (2016) 165]

- Systematic, order by order
- Light and medium nuclei ✓
- Heavy nuclei out of reach
  - A problem of scaling

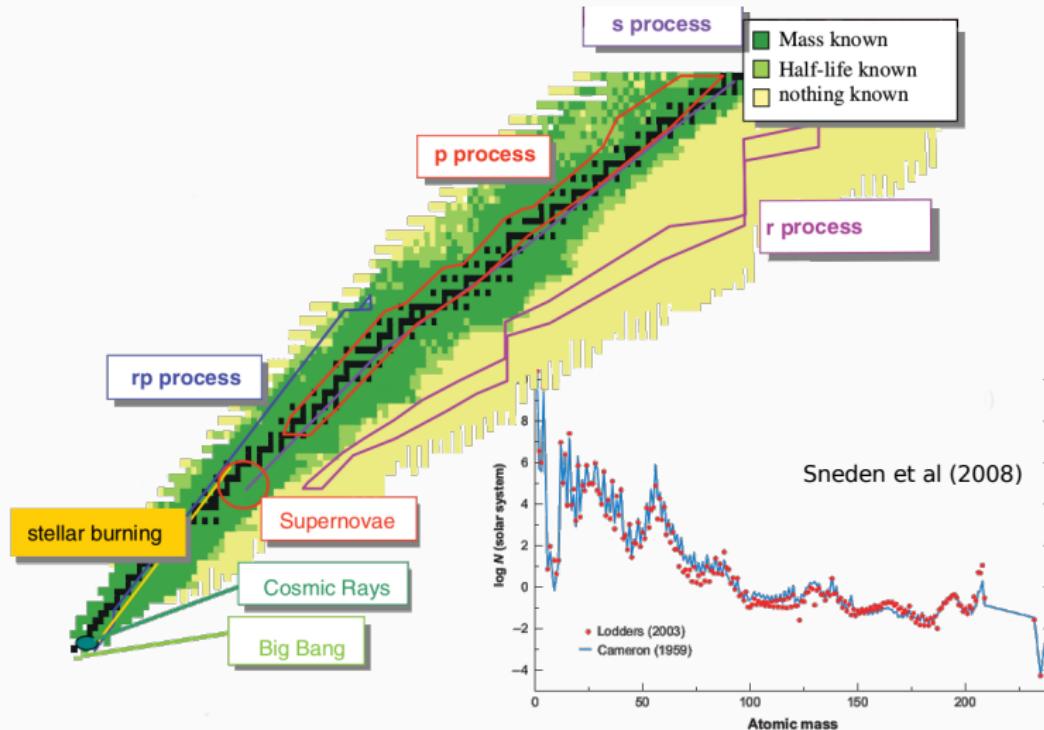


[Ekström et al. arXiv:1707.09028]



[Hagen et al. Phys. Scr. 91 (2016) 063006]

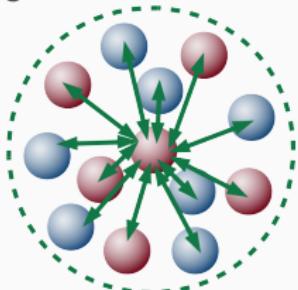
# FRIB and astrophysical processes



[Grawe et al. Rept. Prog. Phys. 70 (2007) 1525]

# Phenomenological DFT

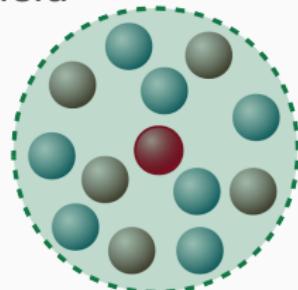
Ab-initio



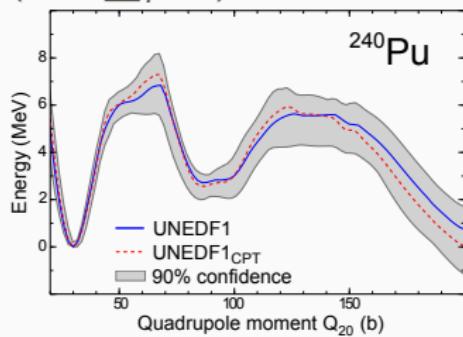
$$(T + \sum_{ij}^A V_{ij})\Psi = E\Psi$$

- Good computational scaling
- Static and dynamic properties of nuclei
- Can go “beyond mean field”
- No systematic improvement

Mean field



$$(T + \sum_i^A \tilde{V}_i)\Psi = E\Psi$$



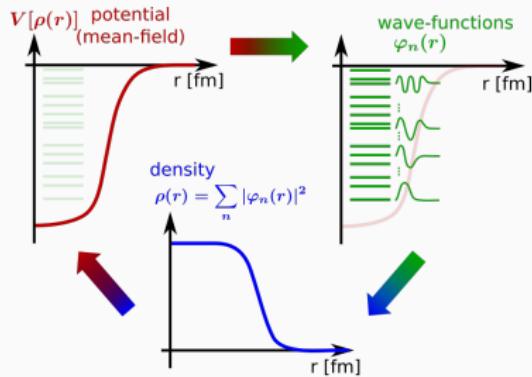
[McDonnell et al. PRL114 (2015) 122501]



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# Self-Consistent Mean Field

- DFT, based on HFB theory
- Non-linear eigenvalue problem
- Iterative solutions
- Phenomenological interactions
  - Fitted to hundreds of nuclear data
  - Contact interactions: Skyrme
  - Finite range: Gogny



*Self-consistent mean-field theory*

[<https://commons.wikimedia.org/>]

# Microscopically constrained EDF: Chiral expansion

	$NN$ force		$3N$ force	
	$\Delta$ -less EFT	$\Delta$ contributions	$\Delta$ -less EFT	$\Delta$ contributions
LO		—	—	—
NLO			—	
$N^2LO$				—

[A. Dyhdalo, et al. PRC95 (2017) 054314]

# Structure of the potential and the EDF

- (Extremely) schematic 2 body chiral potential

$$\hat{V}_{NN}(r_1, r_2) = \underbrace{\delta(r_1 - r_2)}_{\text{yields Skyrme-like}} + \underbrace{V_F(r_1 - r_2)}_{\text{sum of Yukawas}}$$

- Yukawas expanded as a sum of Gaussians
  - Treat Hartree term of the EDF like a Gogny force
- 3N force has similar structure but:
  - Hartree term is zero in time-reversal invariant systems
  - Fock term induced by finite range has non-local densities
- Use density matrix expansion for all exchange terms
  - Recast  $V_{NN}$  and  $V_{3N}$  into Skyrme-like terms
  - Reduces computational cost significantly
  - Also reduces numerical stability issues

# The best of both worlds

## DFT Component

- Contact terms for short range physics
- Adjusted to nuclear properties
- Encodes many body correlations

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## Microscopic Component

- Derived from  $\chi$ -EFT
- Long range physics, pions
- Order by order
- Non-Local density!

A scalable framework with systematic improvements

# Microscopically constrained DFT

- Non-local densities for finite range potentials

$$E_H^{NN} \sim \int dR dr \langle r | V^{NN} | r \rangle \rho_1 \left( R + \frac{r}{2} \right) \rho_2 \left( R - \frac{r}{2} \right)$$

$$E_F^{NN} \sim \int dR dr \langle r | V^{NN} | r \rangle \rho_1 \left( R - \frac{r}{2}, R + \frac{r}{2} \right) \rho_2 \left( R + \frac{r}{2}, R - \frac{r}{2} \right) \hat{P}_{12}$$

- Density Matrix Expansion (DME)

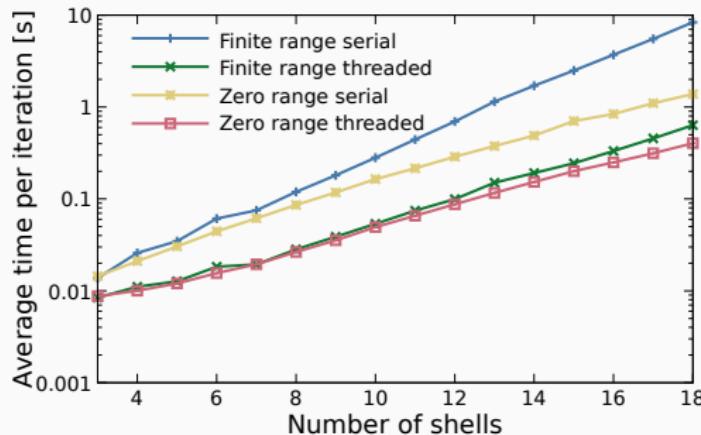
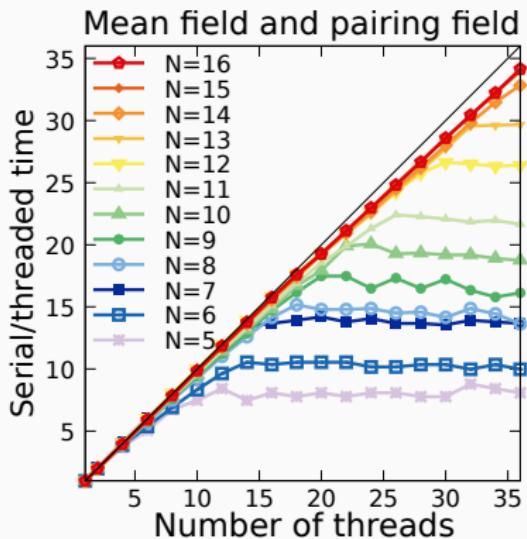
$$\rho \left( R + \frac{r}{2}, R - \frac{r}{2} \right) \approx \Pi_0^\rho(k_F r) \rho(R)$$

$$+ \frac{r^2}{6} \Pi_2^\rho(k_F r) \left[ \frac{1}{4} \Delta \rho(R) - \tau(R) + \frac{3}{5} k_F^2 \rho(R) \right]$$

Like a Taylor expansion for the non-local density

# DFT Numerical Solver

HFBTHO v3 takes advantage of current HPC architectures



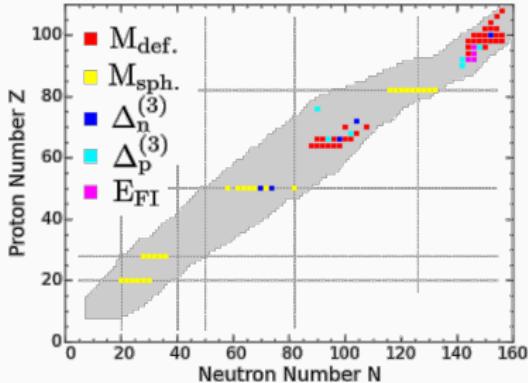
- Finite-range calculation not much more expensive than zero-range when threading

[RNP, Schunck, Lasseri, Zhang CPC220 (2017) 363]

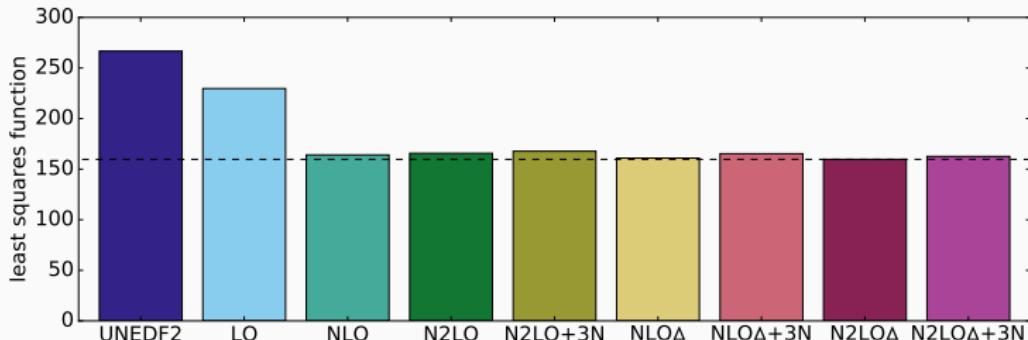


# Optimizing DFT component

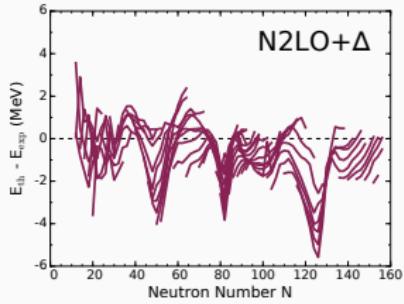
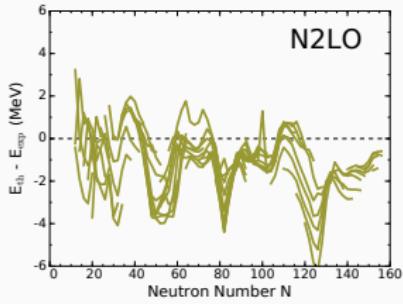
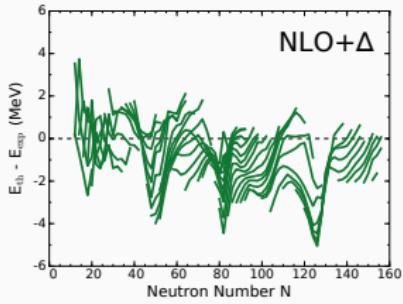
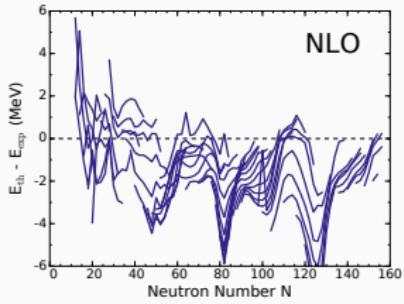
- UNEDF2 optimization protocol
- 130 data, 14 parameters
- Masses, radii, fission isomers, spin-orbit splittings, nuclear matter



[Schunck et al. EPJA51 (2015) 169]



# Mass Tables

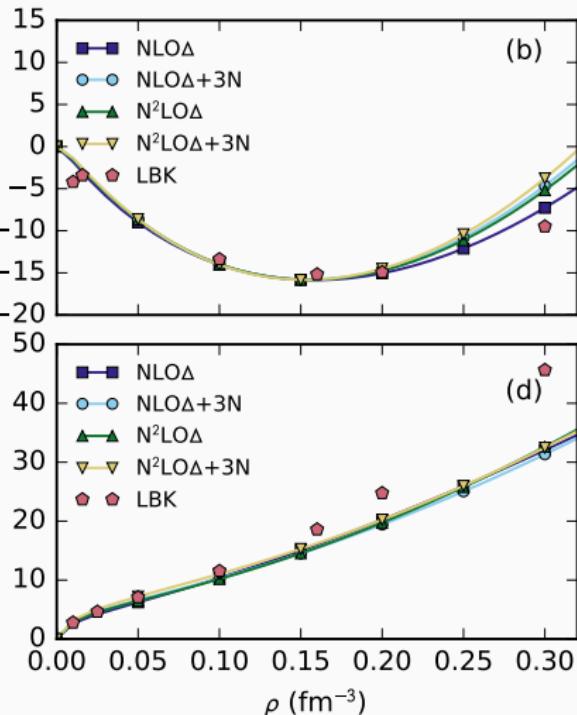
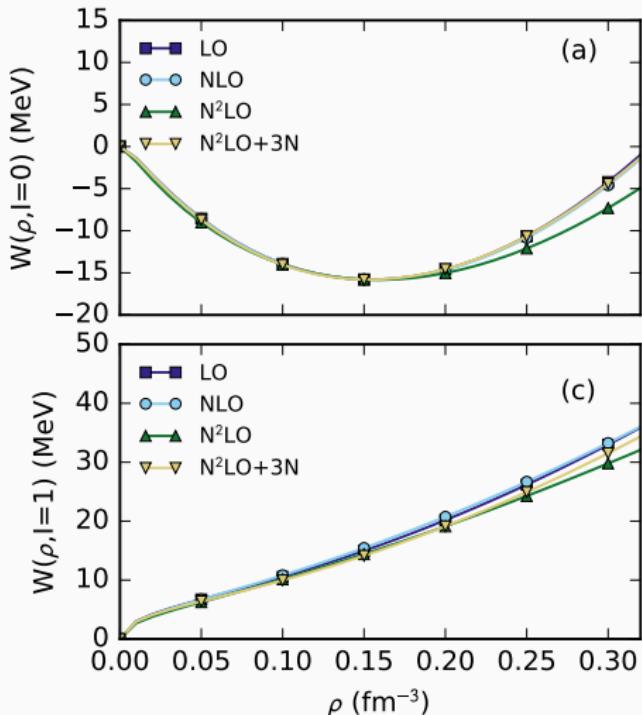


Order by order improvement

EDF	r.m.s. deviation
UNEDF2	1.98
LO	1.99
NLO $\Delta$	1.41
N2LO $\Delta$	1.26

[RNP, Schunck, Dyhdalo, Furnstahl, Bogner. PRC97 (2018) 05430]

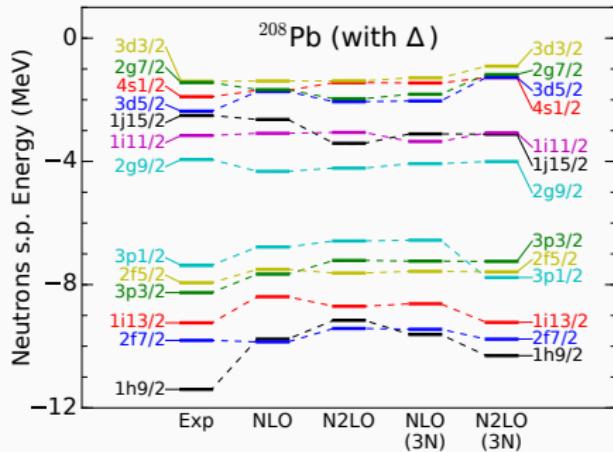
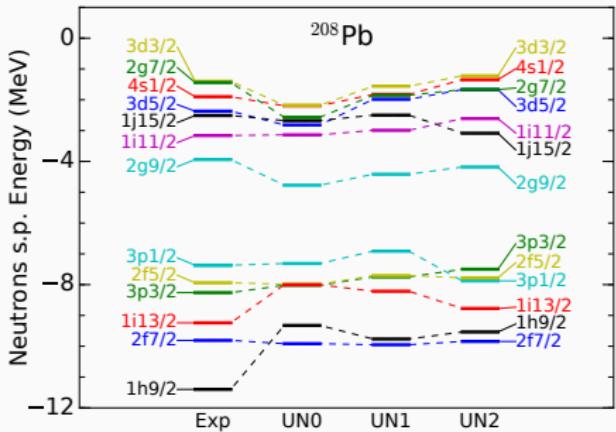
# Nuclear Matter and Neutron Matter



[RNP, Schunck, Dyhdalo, Furnstahl, Bogner. PRC97 (2018) 05430]

# Single-Particle Spectra

Quantitatively comparable to UNEDF results

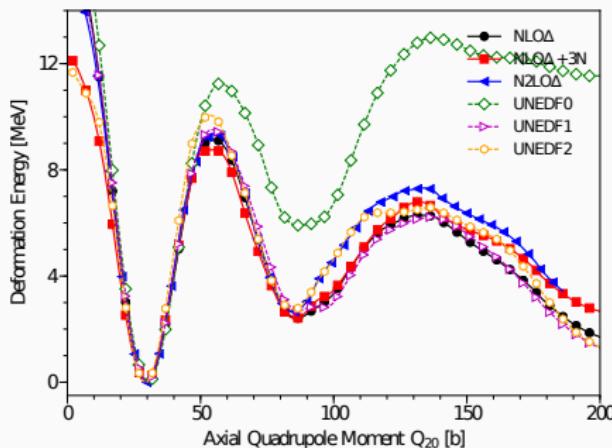
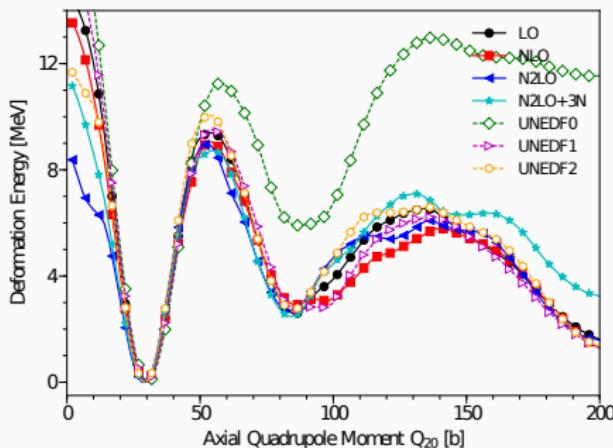


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- Single-particle energies from blocking calculations
- Exactly the same conditions for all EDFs

# Deformation Properties

Quality of fission barriers is comparable to other EDFs



[RNP, Schunck, Dyhdalo, Furnstahl, Bogner. PRC97 (2018) 05430]

- Inclusion of fission isomers in fitting protocols constrains fission barriers
- Variations up to 2 MeV in height of fission barriers

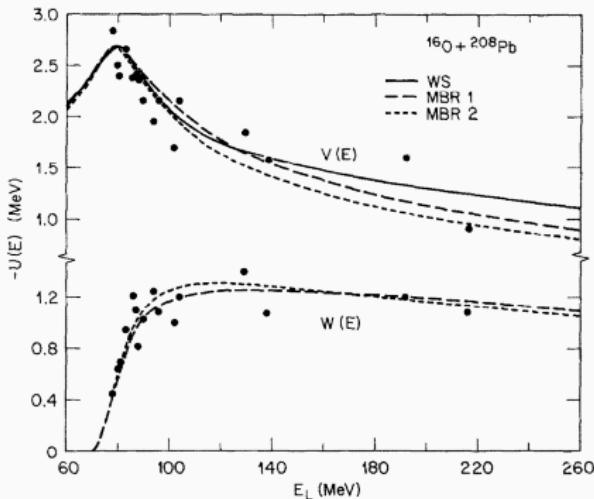
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- Near the Coulomb barrier
- Energy dependence of the effective (optical) potential
- Imaginary part decreases with energy
- Real part shows an “anomaly”
- A consequence of causality
  - Dispersion relation

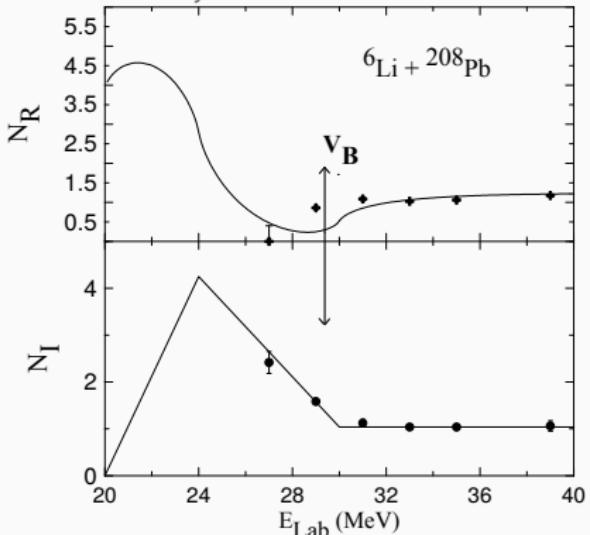
$$V(r; E) = V_0(r) + \frac{P}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{W(r; E')}{E' - E} dE'$$



[Mahaux et al. NPA449 (1986) 354]

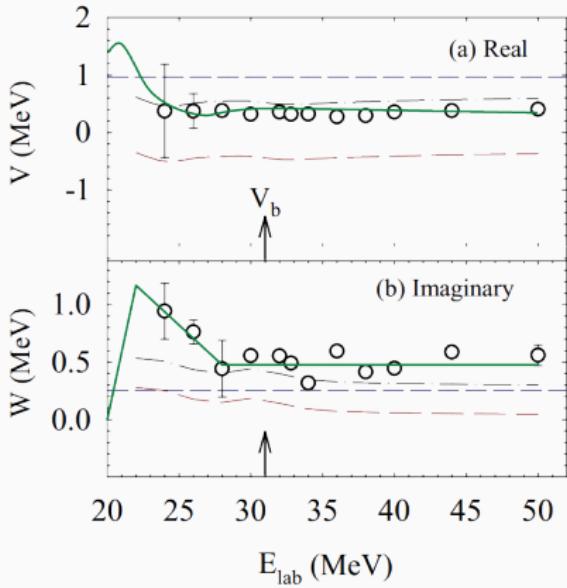
# Looking at weakly bound Nuclei

New manifestation of the dispersion relation: Breakup threshold anomaly



[Hussein et al. PRC 73 (2006) 044610]

Reaction mechanisms involving weakly bound  ${}^6\text{Li}$  and  ${}^{209}\text{Bi}$  at energies near the Coulomb barrier



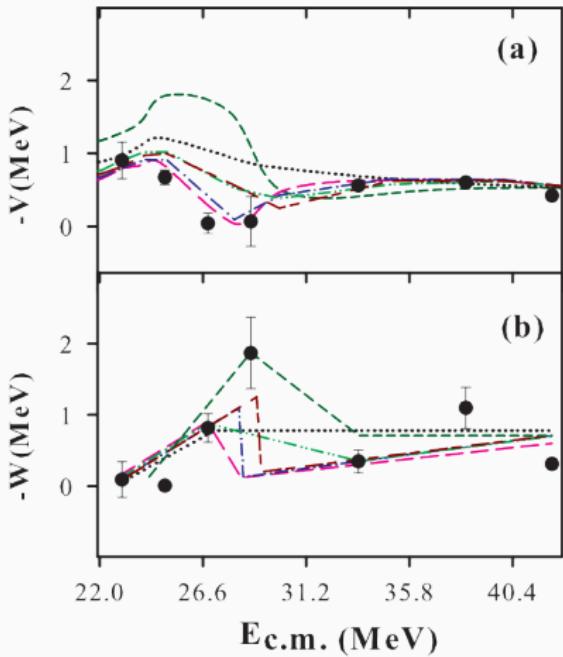
[Santra et al. PRC 83 (2011) 034616]



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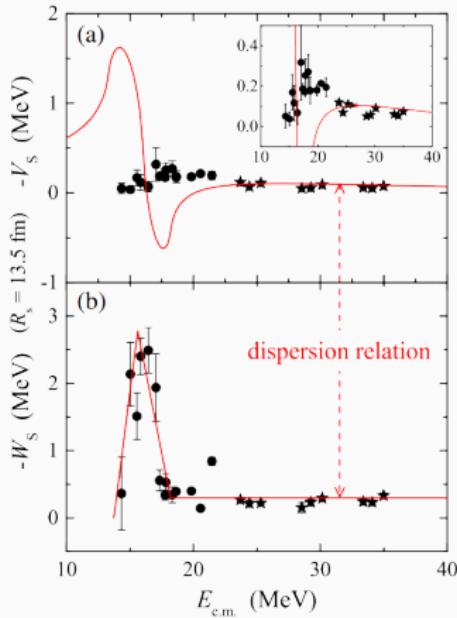
# Looking at weakly bound Nuclei

Investigation of the threshold anomaly for the  ${}^7\text{Li} + {}^{159}\text{Tb}$  system



[Patel et al. PRC 91 (2015) 054614]

Is the Dispersion Relation Applicable for Exotic Nuclear Systems? The Abnormal Threshold Anomaly in the  ${}^6\text{He} + {}^{209}\text{Bi}$  System



[L. Yang et al. PRL 119 (2017) 042503]



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# Looking at weakly bound Nuclei

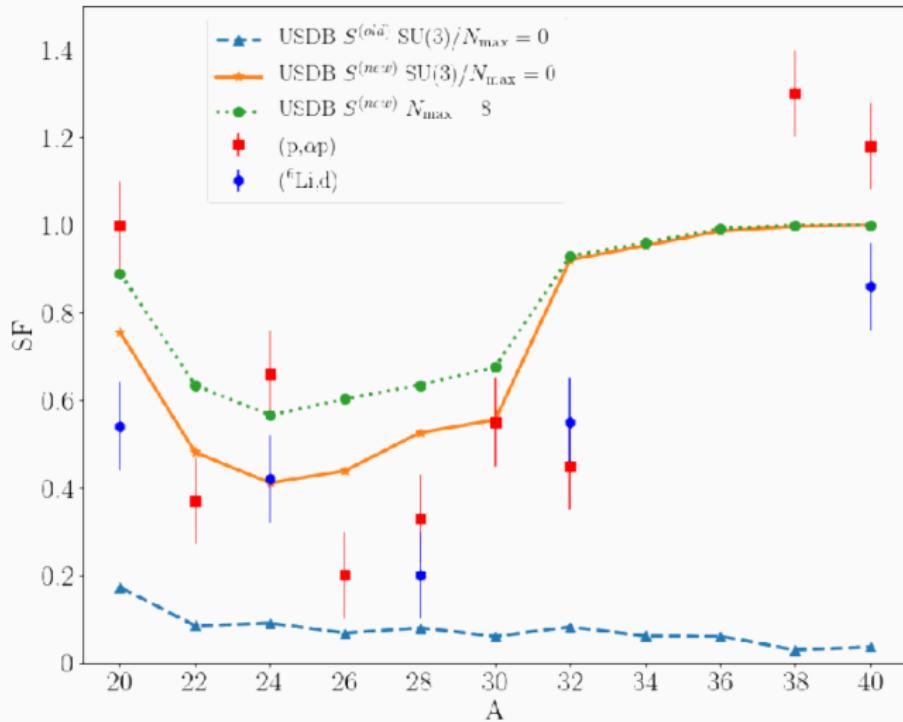
- This is a cautionary tale in:
  - Underestimated experimental uncertainties
  - Misunderstood theoretical uncertainties
  - Good software used as a black box
  - Ignoring the underlying physics
- Let's focus on one of these four examples
  - Elastic  ${}^6\text{Li} + {}^{209}\text{Bi}$  cross sections
  - Measured at energies from 24 to 50 MeV
  - Use an effective potential with Woods Saxon shape

$$V(r; E) = -\frac{V_E}{1 + e^{(r-R_V)/a_V}} - i \frac{W_E}{1 + e^{(r-R_W)/a_W}}$$

- Integrate with Numerov and match to Coulomb WF

# Incompatible experimental data

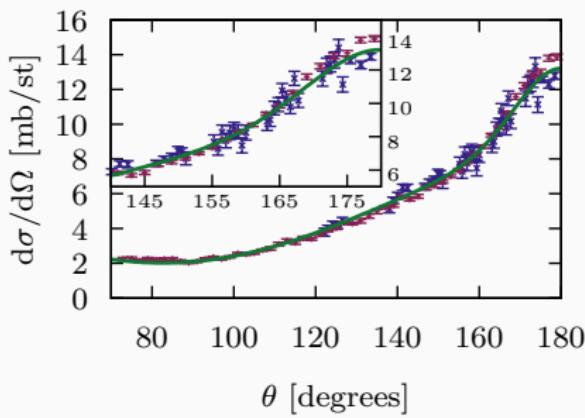
During Heiko's talk ...



# Incompatible experimental data

- Fits NEVER give  $\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.} \lesssim 1$ 
  - Restrictive model ? → Improve model
  - Mutually incompatible data ? → Reject data
- np  $d\sigma/d\Omega$  at 162 MeV
- Statistical and systematic errors over or underestimated

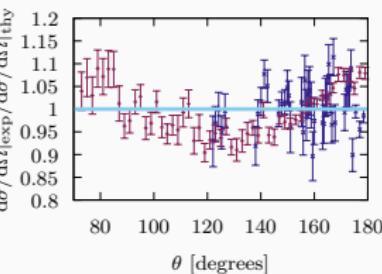
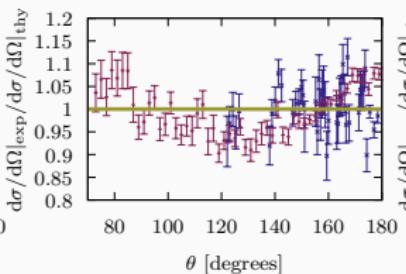
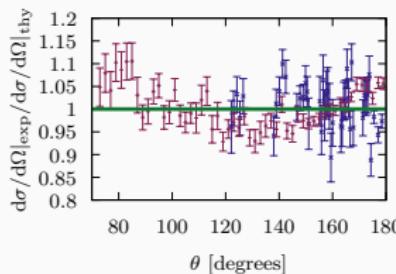
- $3\sigma$  criterion
  - Fit to all data ( $\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.} > 1$ )
  - Remove data sets with improbably high or low  $\chi^2$
  - Refit parameters



[RNP, Amaro, Arriola PRC88 (2013) 064002]

# Incompatible experimental data

- Mutually incompatible data
  - Which experiment is correct?
  - Is any of the two correct?
- Maximization of experimental consensus
  - Fit to all data ( $\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.} > 1$ )
  - Apply  $3\sigma$  criterion
  - Refit parameters
  - Re-apply  $3\sigma$  criterion to all data
  - Repeat until no more data is excluded or recovered

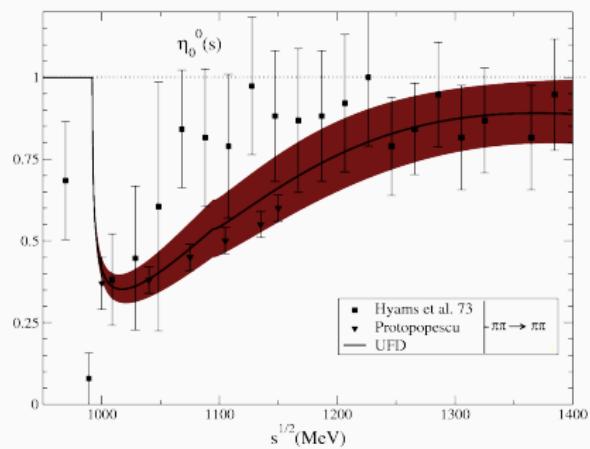
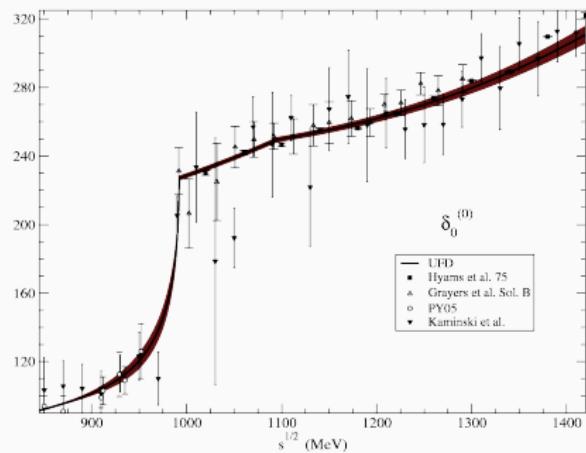


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# Incompatible experimental data

$\pi - \pi$  scattering data analysis

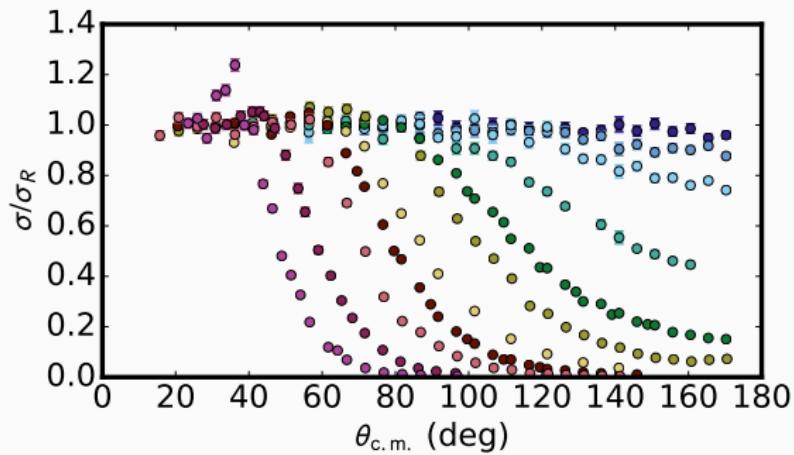
Elastic and inelastic data



[RNP, Arriola, Ruiz de Elvira, PRD91 (2015) 074014]

# Incompatible experimental data

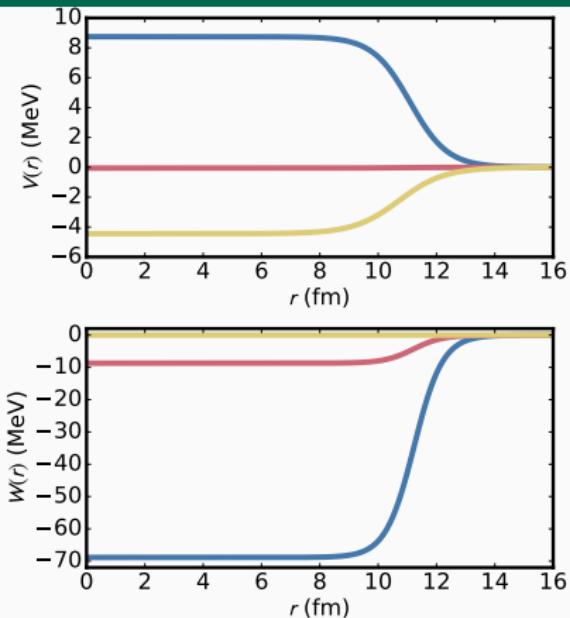
${}^6\text{Li} + {}^{209}\text{Bi}$  data



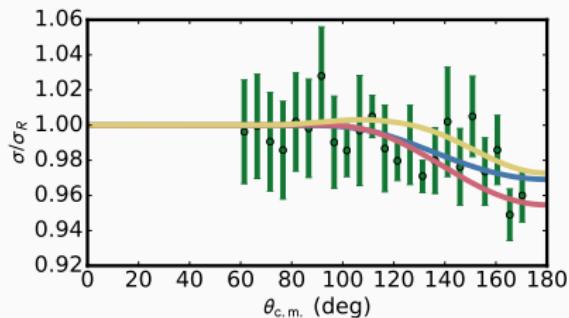
One single experiment at different energies

$3\sigma$  criterion still applicable

# Large uncertainties at low energies (24 MeV)



Fit simultaneously at different energies and “Bootstrap” data



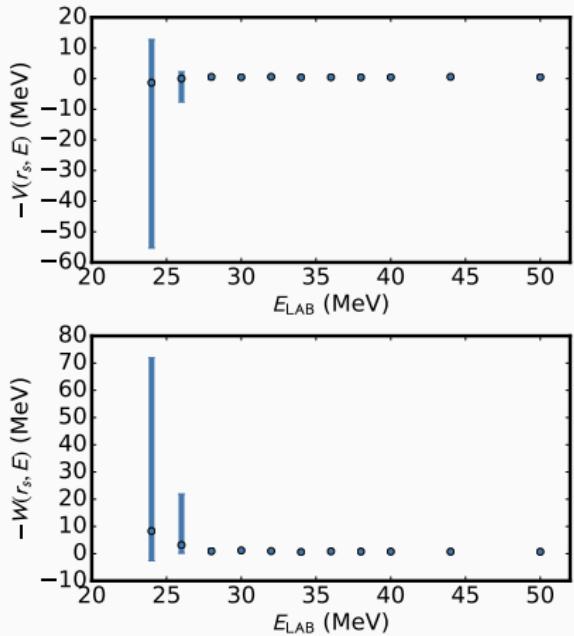
3 different effective potentials

$$V(r, E) = -V_E / (1 + e^{(r-r_V)/a_V}) - iW_E / (1 + e^{(r-r_W)/a_W})$$

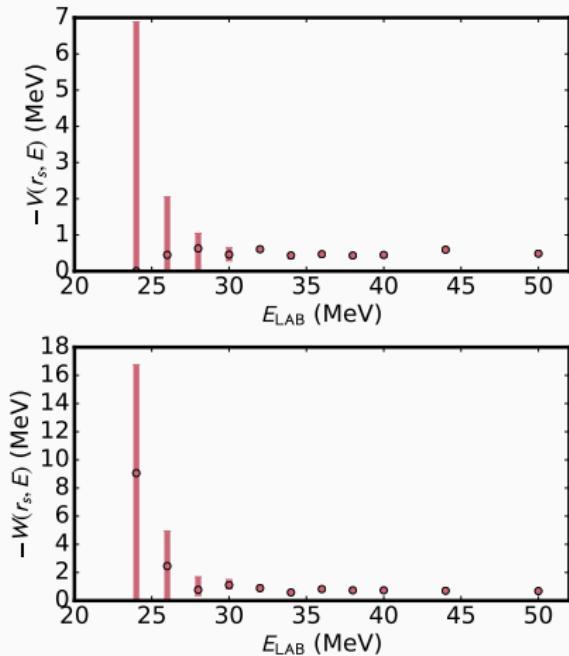
- No constrains
- Attractive potentials
- Small imaginary part

# 3 Types of analysis

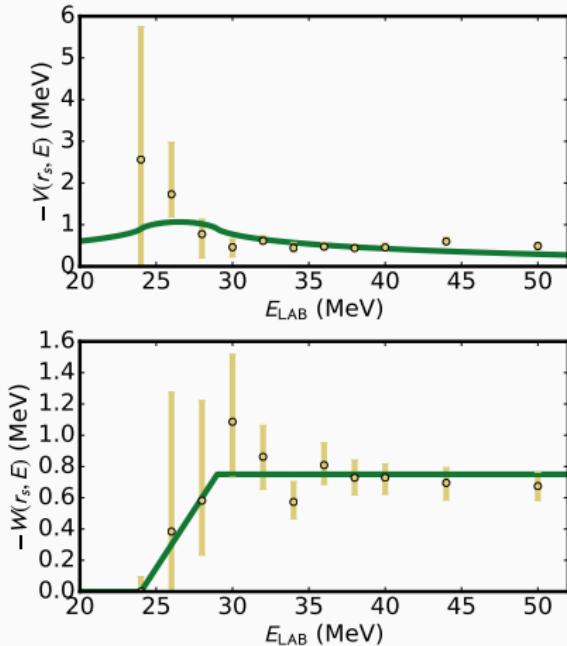
Unconstrained fits



Attractive potentials



### 3 Types of analysis



- Constraining some parameters
- Penalty function
- $\chi^2 \rightarrow \chi^2 + (W_{24})^2 + (W_{26})^2 + (W_{28})^2$
- This is a prior from the Bayesian point of view
- Results are compatible with dispersion relation

## Microscopic DFT

- New family of EDFs constrained by  $\chi$ -EFT
  - Up to N2LO with/o 3N and  $\Delta$ -excitations
- Quality EDFs with global predictive power and microscopic underpinning
- Surprising improvement in mass calculations

## Elastic Nucleus-Nucleus scattering

- UQ has meaningful consequences
- Physics needs to be included in any analysis

# Outlook

## Microscopic DFT

- Effect of 3N forces
  - $\Delta$ 's improve performance, 3N terms don't
- Quantification and propagation of uncertainties
  - Truncation, fitting bias, sensitivity to LEC's
- Use the same EDF in pairing channel

## Elastic Nucleus-Nucleus scattering

- Propagate uncertainty to dispersion relation
- Include dispersion relation by construction
- Analyze other reactions with weakly bound nuclei



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