

Short-range correlations in similarity renormalization group calculations

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Short-distance nuclear structure and pdfs

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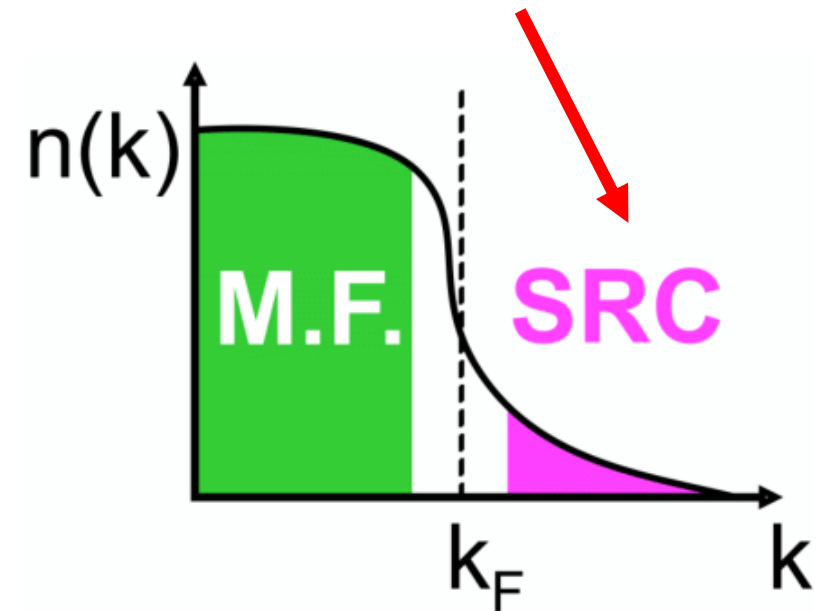
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High-momentum tail is required for a high-resolution description

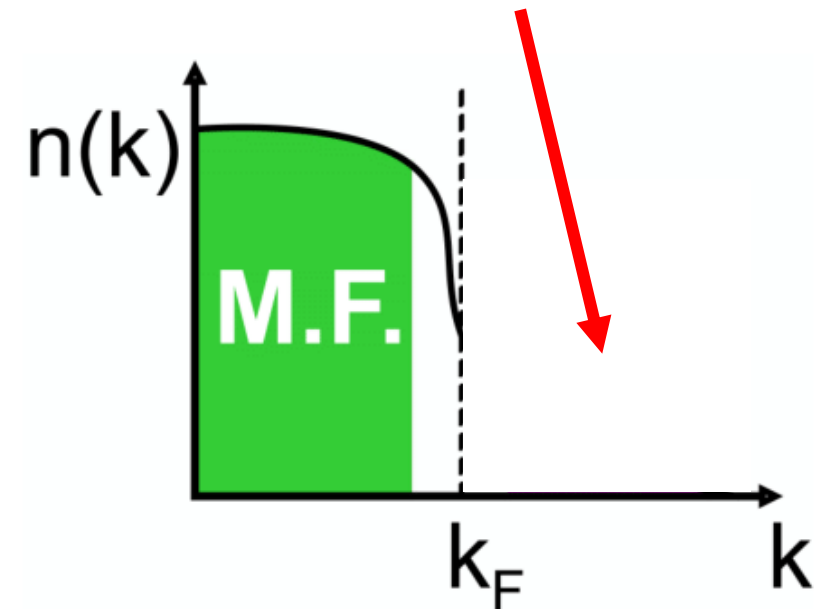


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 - The SRC *physics* is shifted into the reaction operators from the nuclear wave function (which becomes soft)

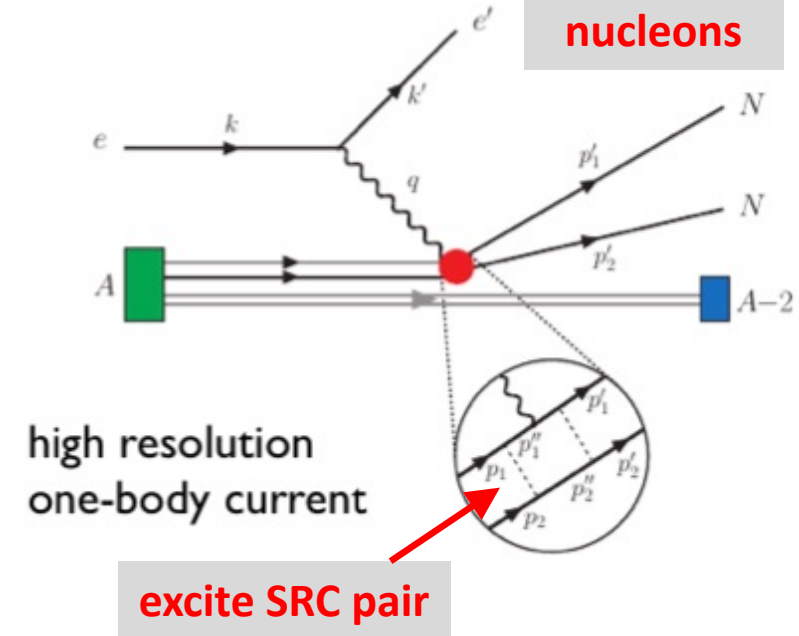
No high-momentum tail in ab initio low RG resolution approaches!



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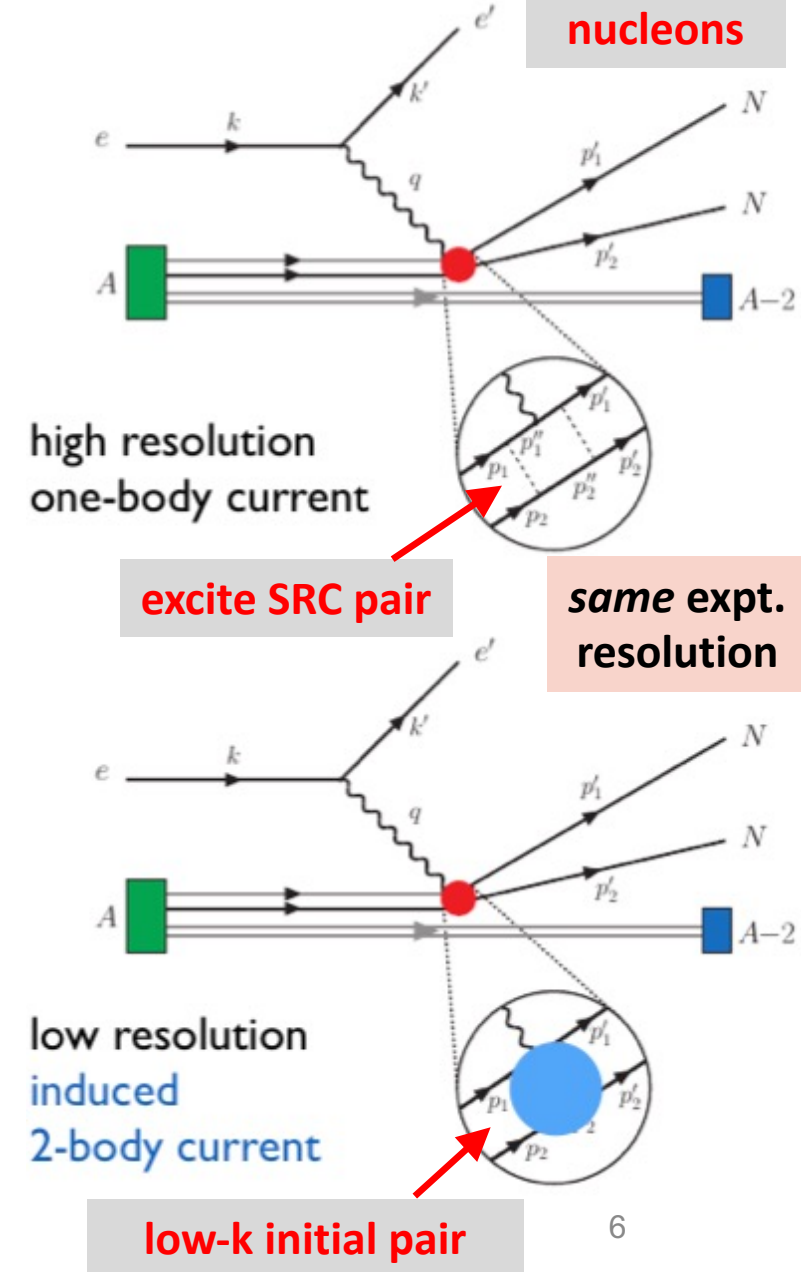
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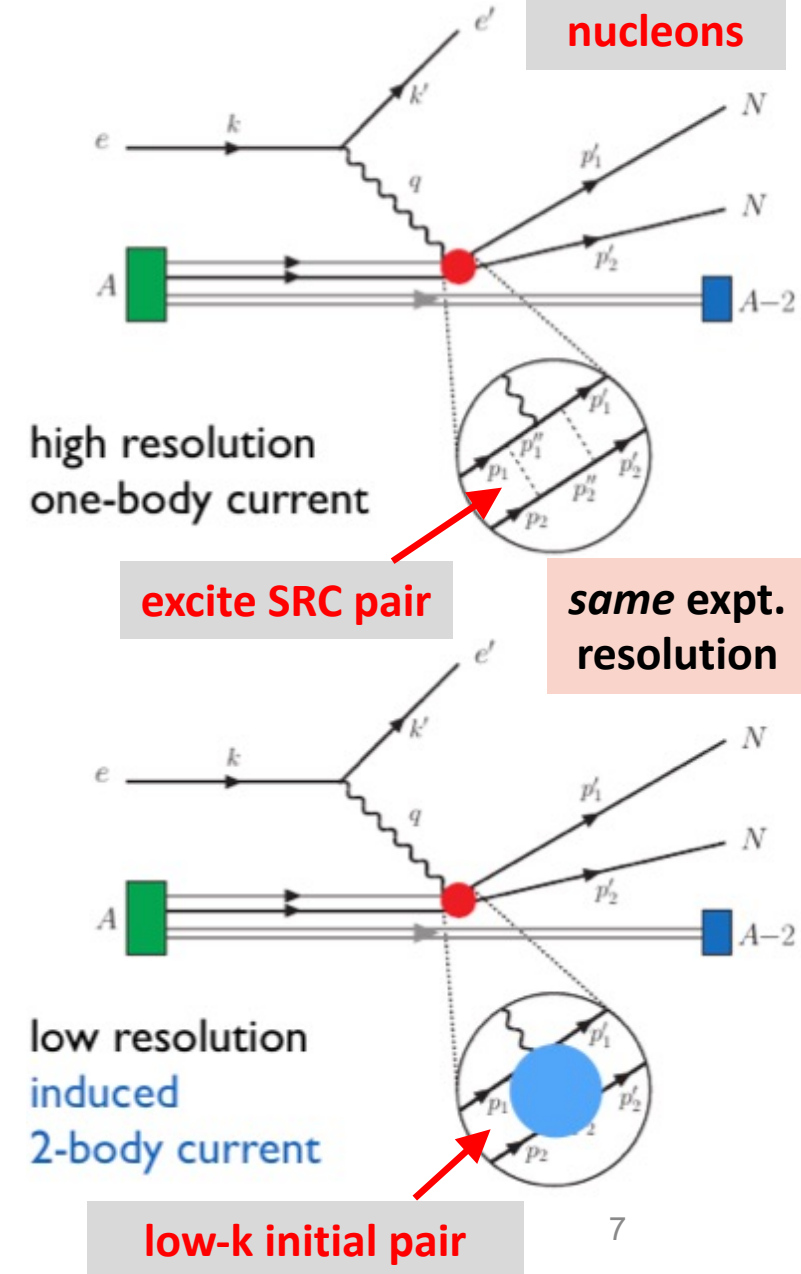
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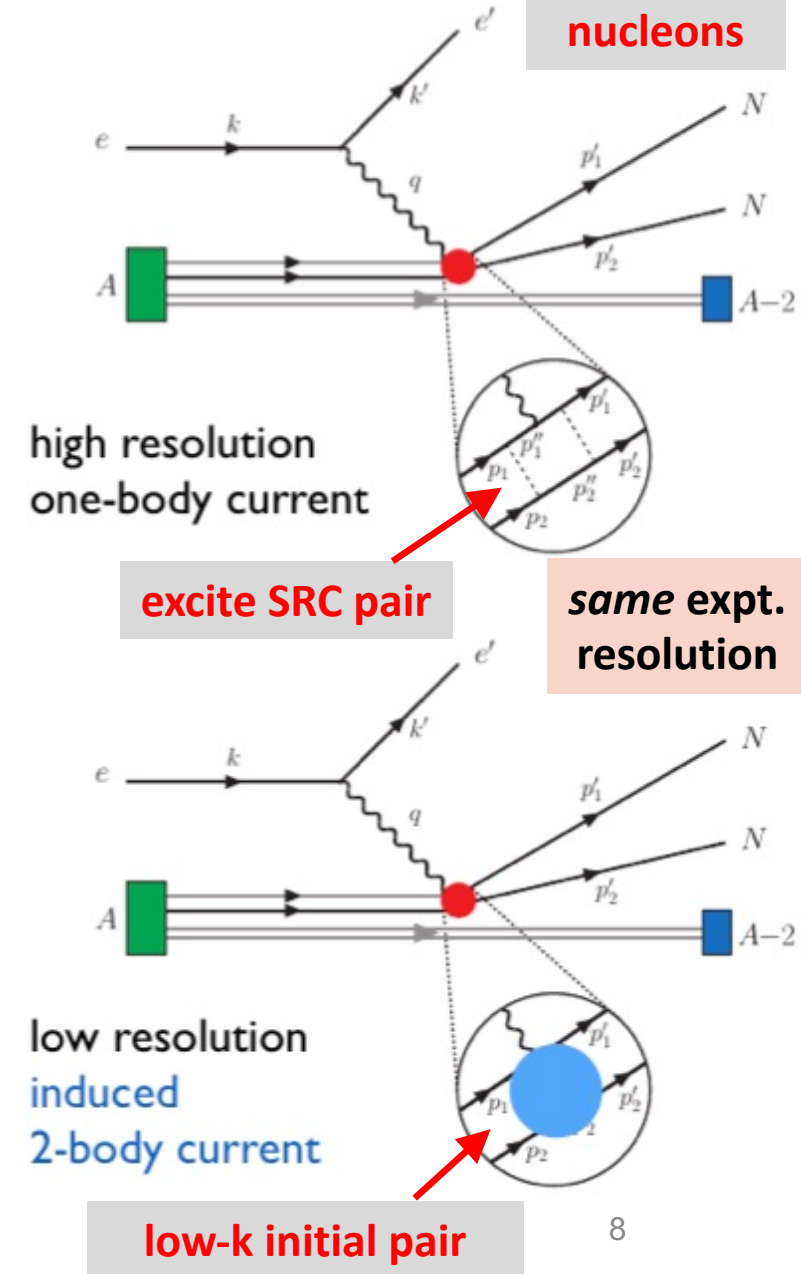
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- **This talk:**
 - How can SRC calculations be carried out at low RG resolution?
 - Momentum distributions, SRC phenomenology, and the quasi-deuteron model at low RG resolution
 - Scale/scheme dependence of the NN interaction and matching different interactions



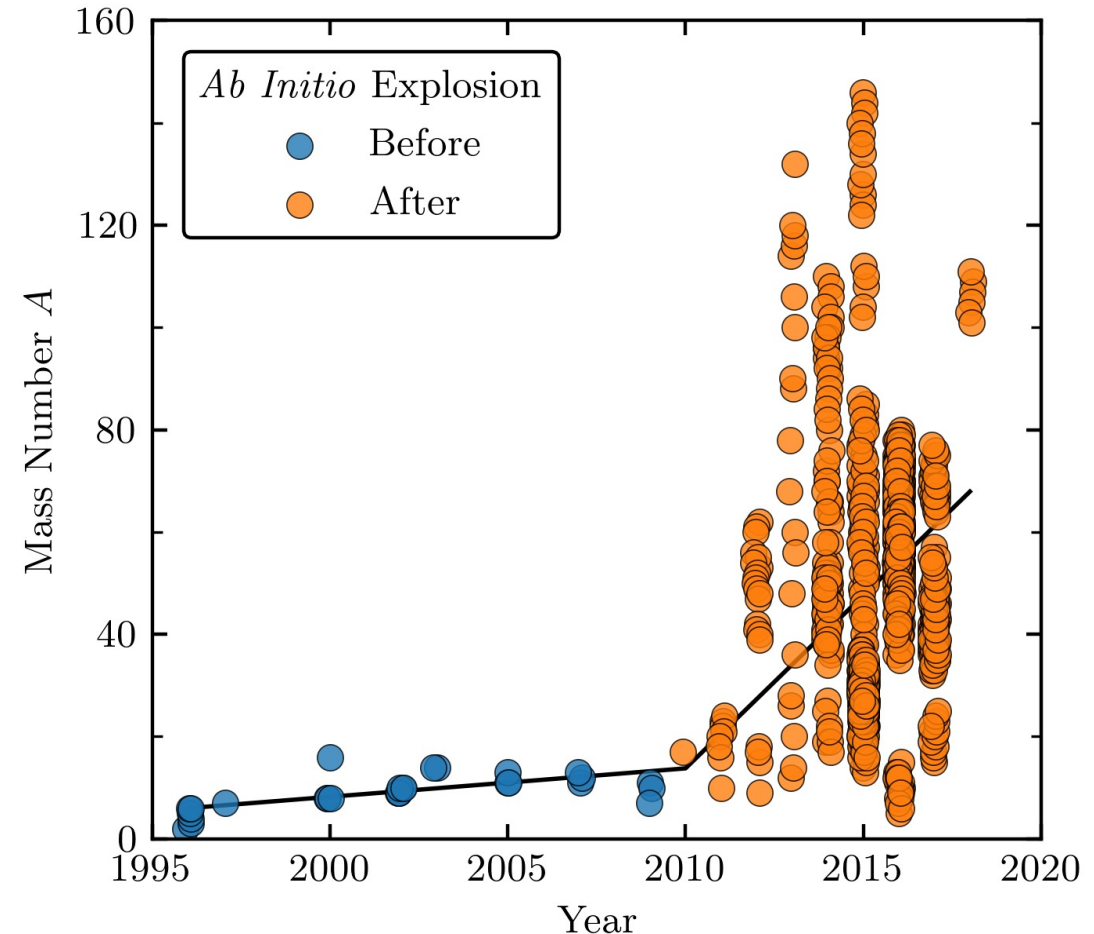
Why RG?

- RG transformed nuclear potentials facilitate many-body methods
- Apply low RG approach to nuclear reactions (much less developed)
- **Allows for consistent treatments of structure and reaction models for reliable comparison to experiment**

Must treat everything at the same RG resolution scale!



$$\langle \psi_f | \hat{O} | \psi_i \rangle$$

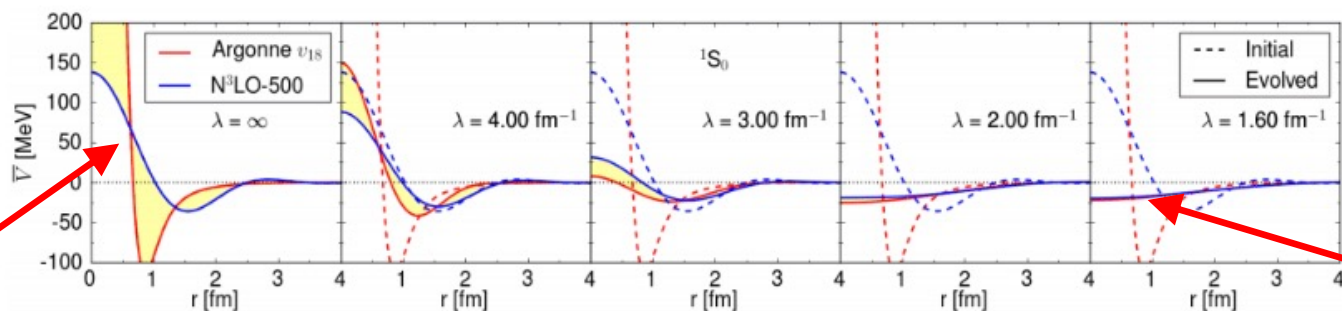


Progression of *ab initio* calculations with respect to mass number A. Figure from Heiko Hergert and Jordan Melendez.

Similarity renormalization group

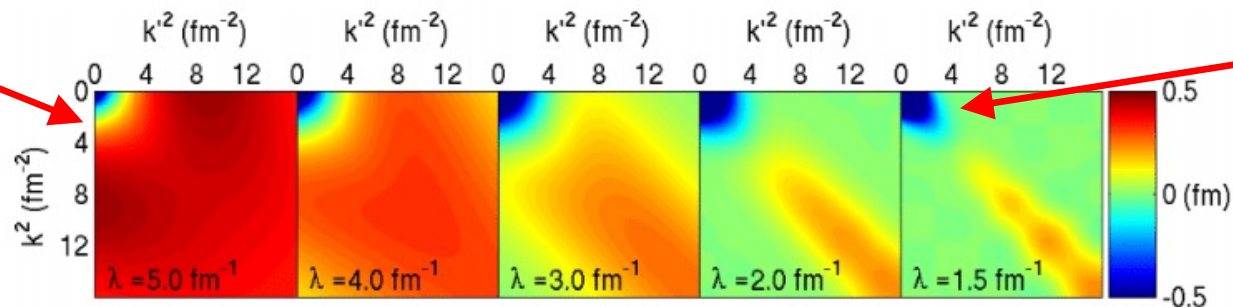
- Evolve to **low RG resolution** using the similarity RG (SRG)
- SRG transformations decouple high- and low-momenta in the Hamiltonian
- RG resolution scale given by λ

$$H(\lambda) = U(\lambda)H(0)U^\dagger(\lambda)$$



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(hard, coupled)**

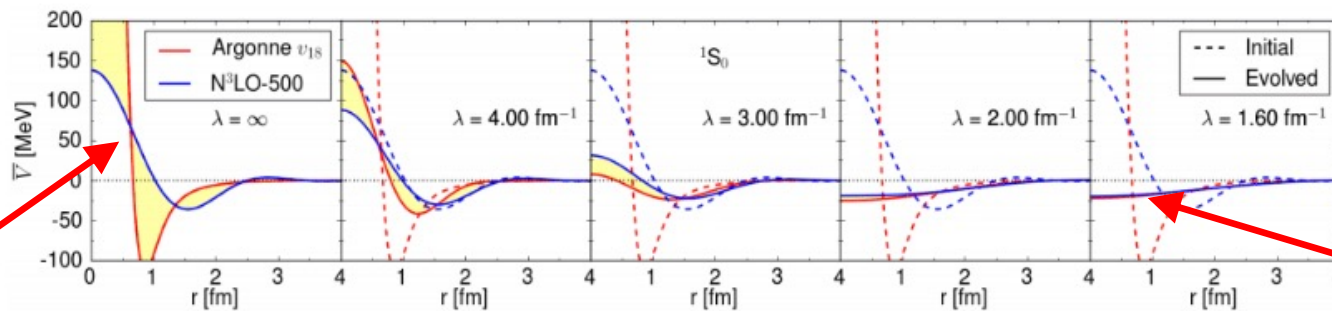
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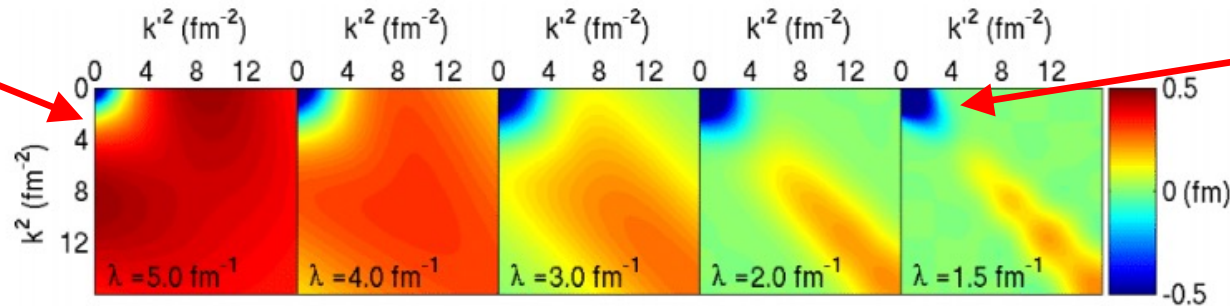
- Evolve to low resolution
 - SRG transformation
 - RG resolution
- Low-energy states do not retain high momentum components
 - Transformations are unitary so observables are preserved
- the Hamiltonian

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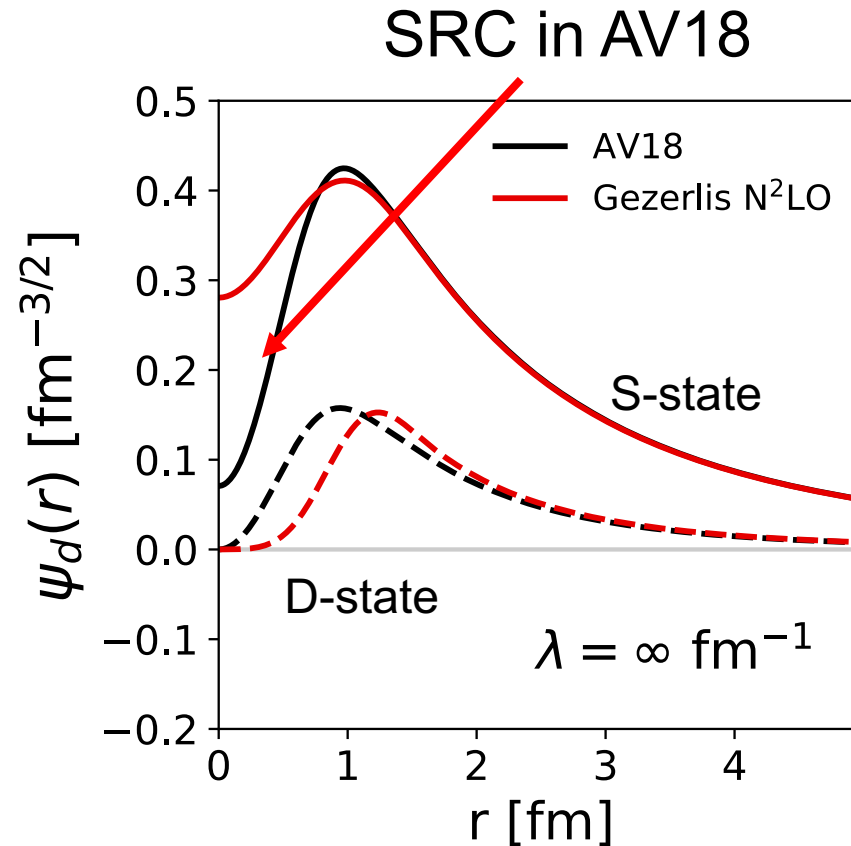
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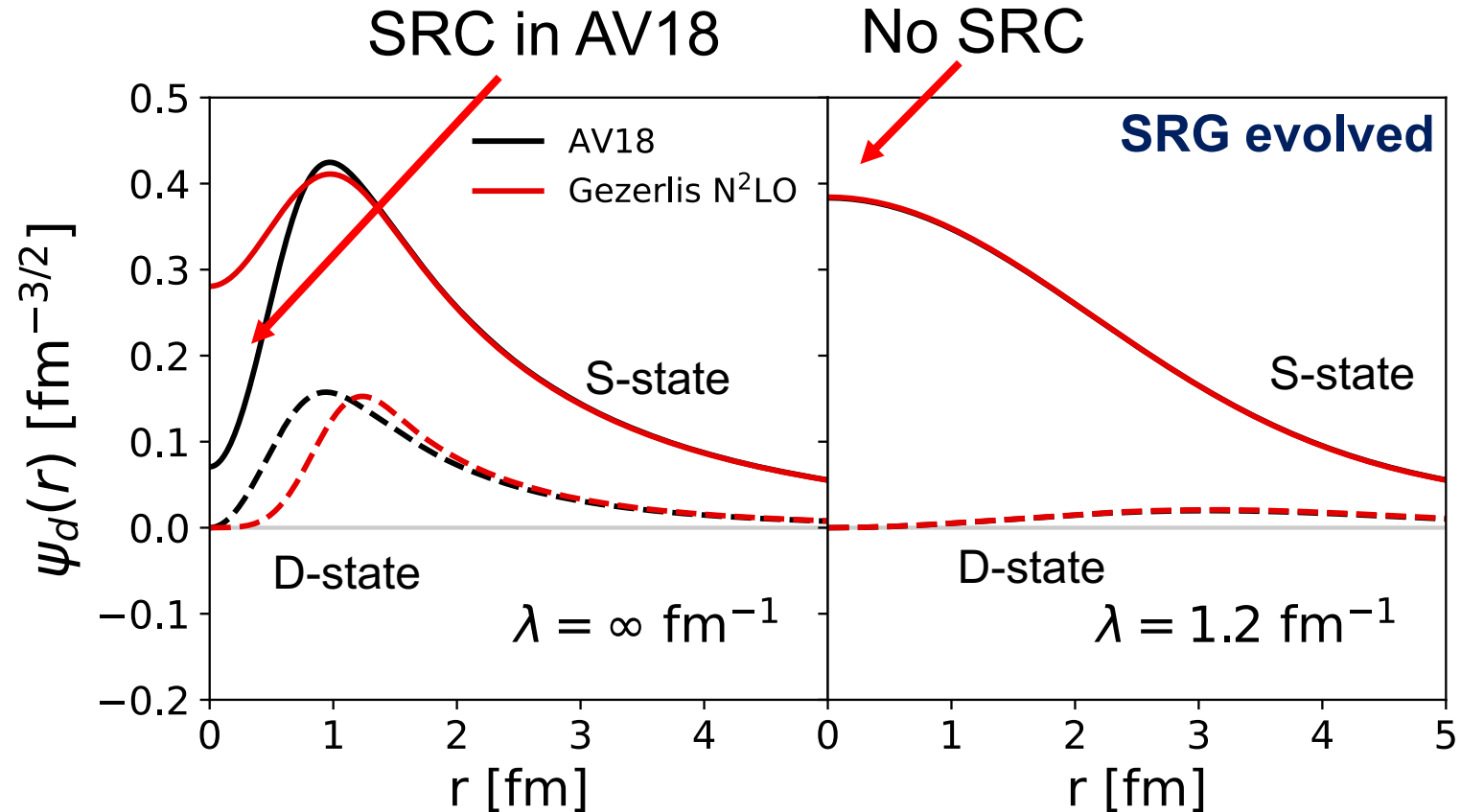
- AV18 wave function has significant SRC
- What happens to the wave function under SRG transformation?



SRG evolution of deuteron wave function in coordinate space for AV18 and Gezerlis N²LO¹.

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- SRC physics in AV18 is gone from wave function at low RG resolution
- Deuteron wave functions become soft and D-state probability goes down
- Observables such as asymptotic D-S ratio are the same



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Operator evolution

- Soft wave functions at low RG resolution

- Where does the SRC physics go?

- SRC physics shifts to the operators

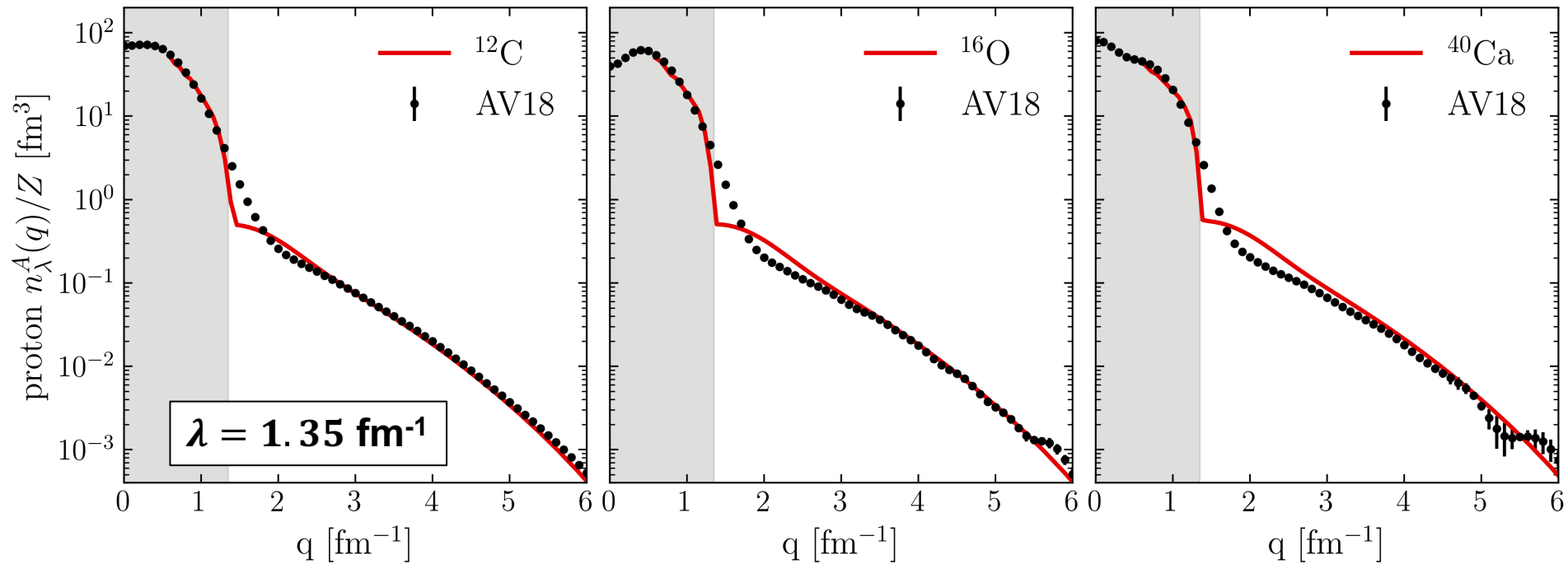
$$\langle \psi_f^{hi} | U_\lambda^\dagger U_\lambda O^{hi} U_\lambda^\dagger U_\lambda | \psi_i^{hi} \rangle = \langle \psi_f^{low} | O^{low} | \psi_i^{low} \rangle$$

- Apply SRG transformations to momentum distribution operator

$$n^{hi}(\mathbf{q}) = a_q^\dagger a_q$$
$$U_\lambda = 1 + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'} \delta U_\lambda^{(2)}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}') a_{\frac{\mathbf{K}}{2} + \mathbf{k}}^\dagger a_{\frac{\mathbf{K}}{2} - \mathbf{k}}^\dagger a_{\frac{\mathbf{K}}{2} - \mathbf{k}'} a_{\frac{\mathbf{K}}{2} + \mathbf{k}'} + \dots$$

High momentum tails at low RG resolution

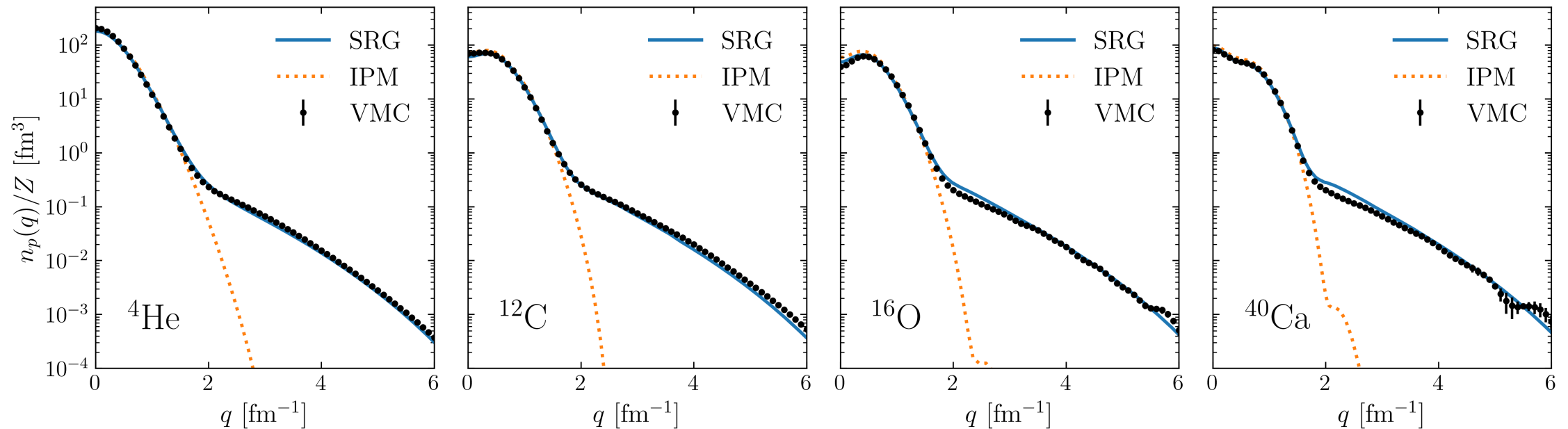
- Approximate low RG resolution wavefunction:
 - Hartree-Fock treated in a local density approximation
- Decent agreement with VMC calculations¹ (high RG resolution)



Proton momentum distributions for ¹²C, ¹⁶O, and ⁴⁰Ca under HF+LDA with AV18, $\lambda = 1.35 \text{ fm}^{-1}$, and densities from Skyrme EDF SLy4 using the HFBRAD code².

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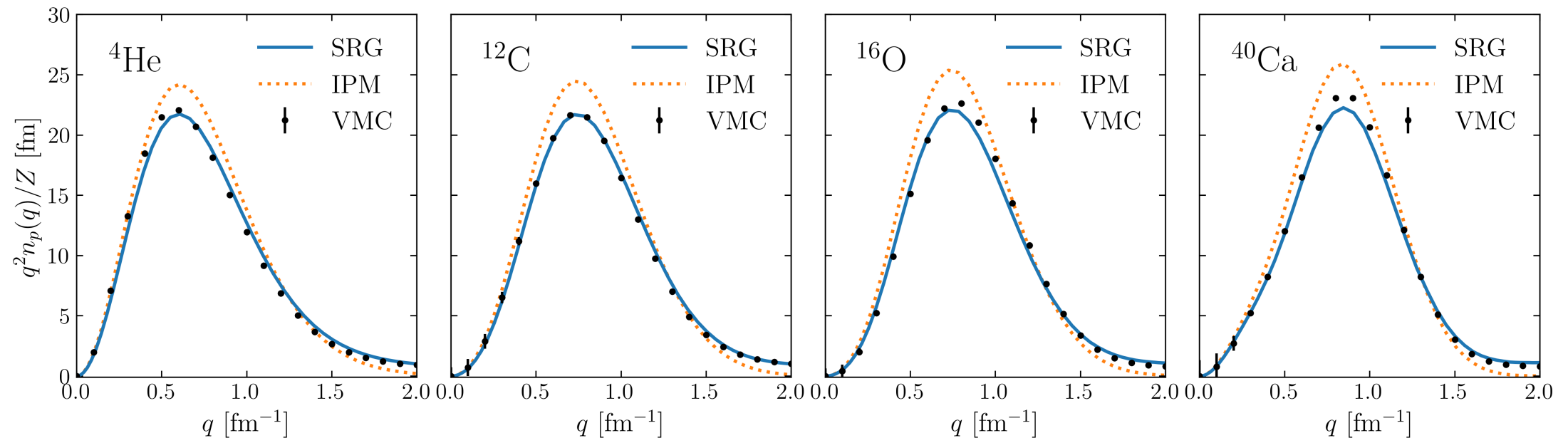
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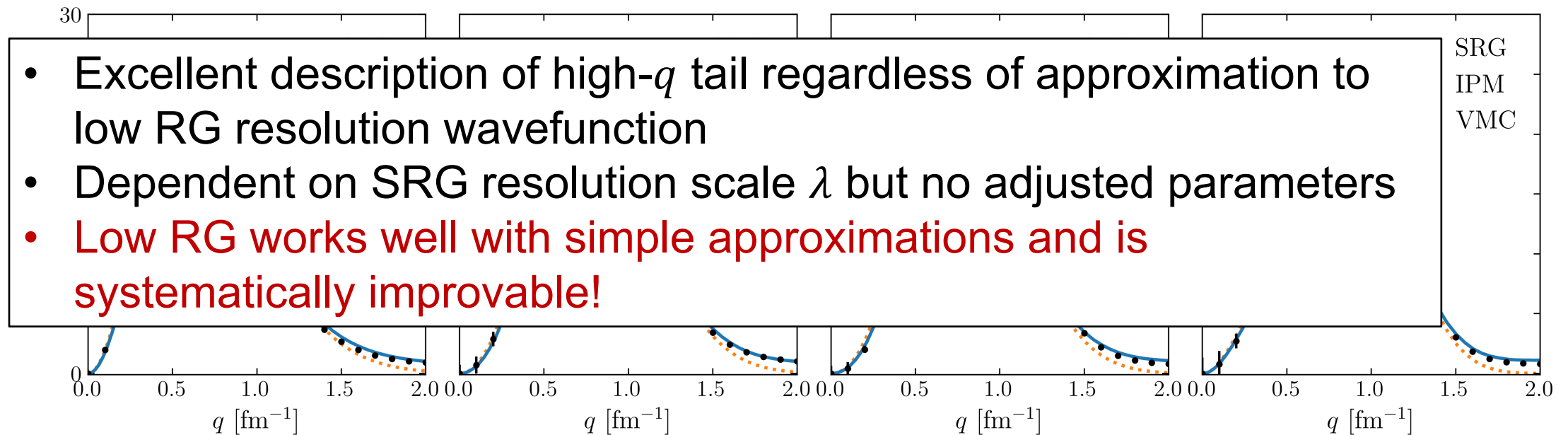
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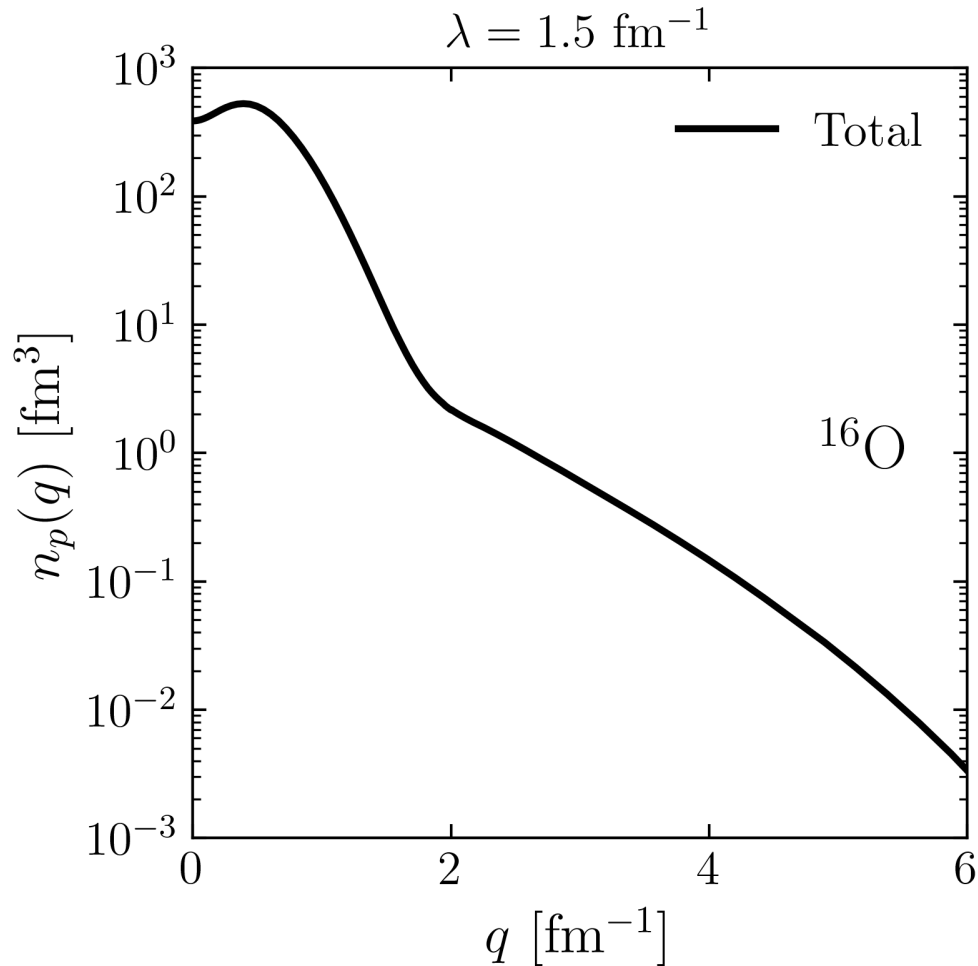
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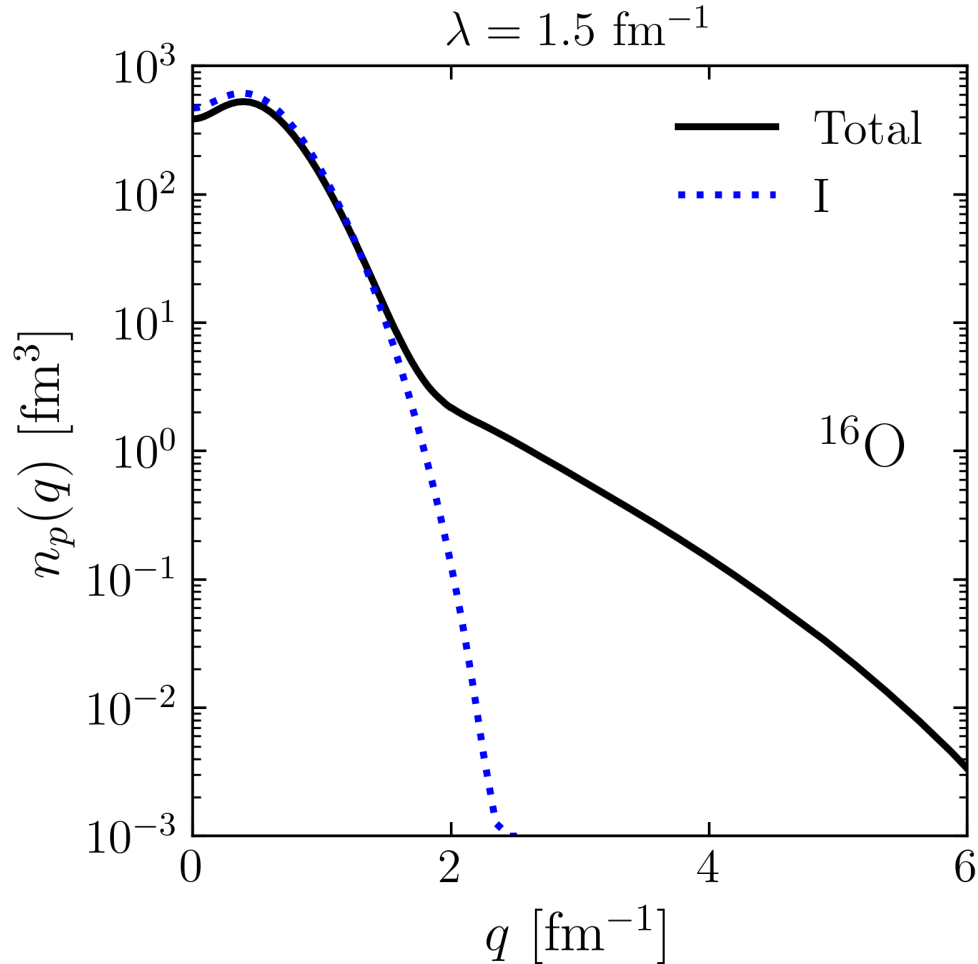
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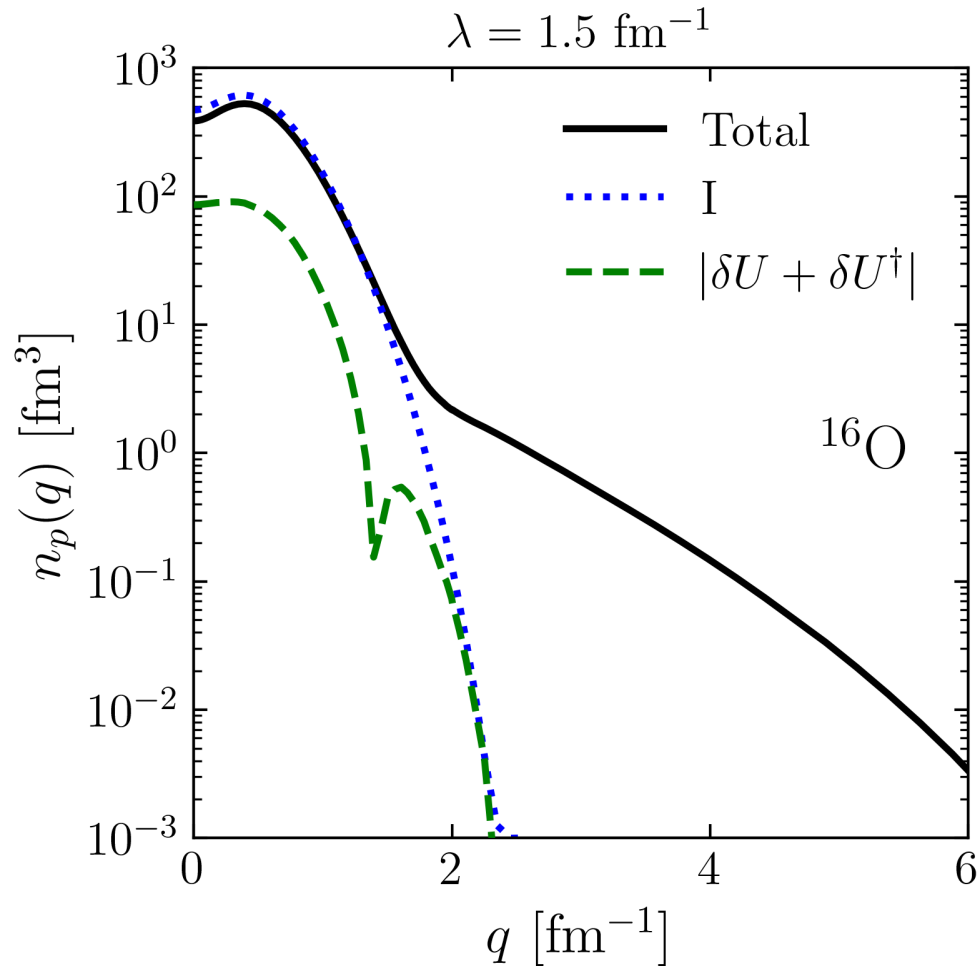


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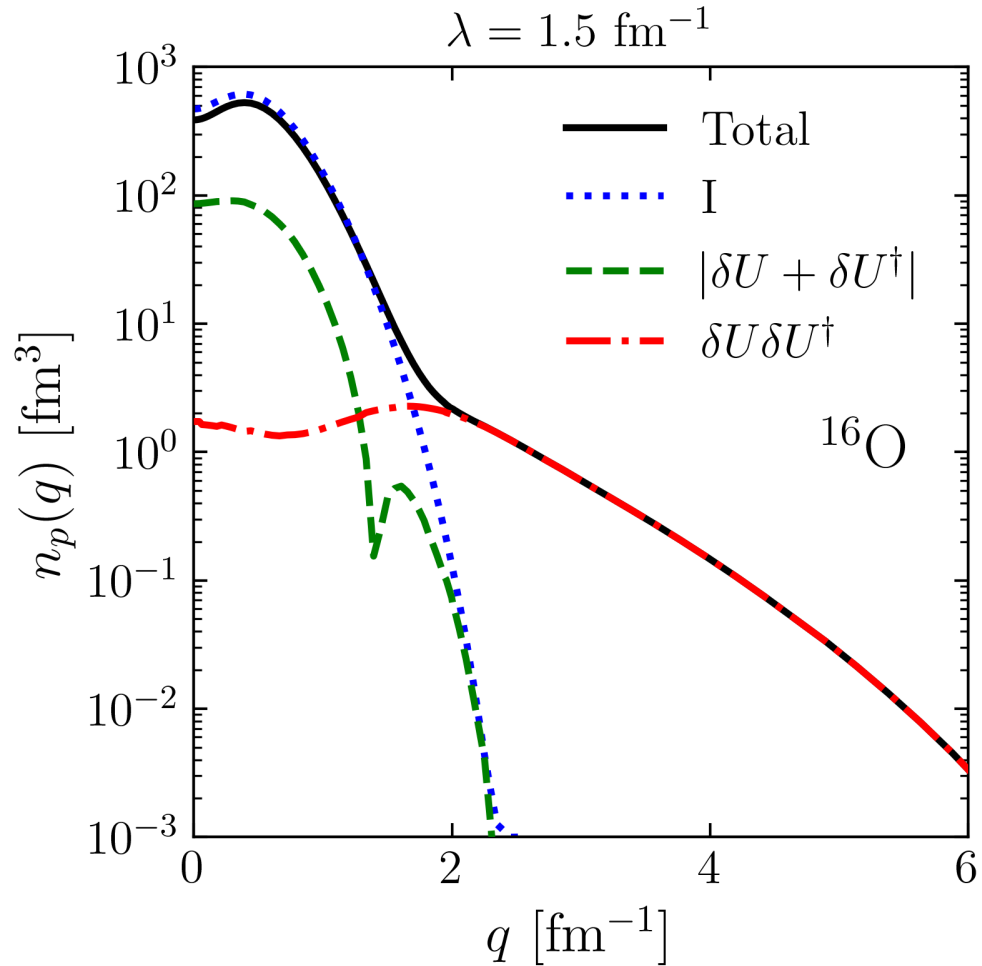
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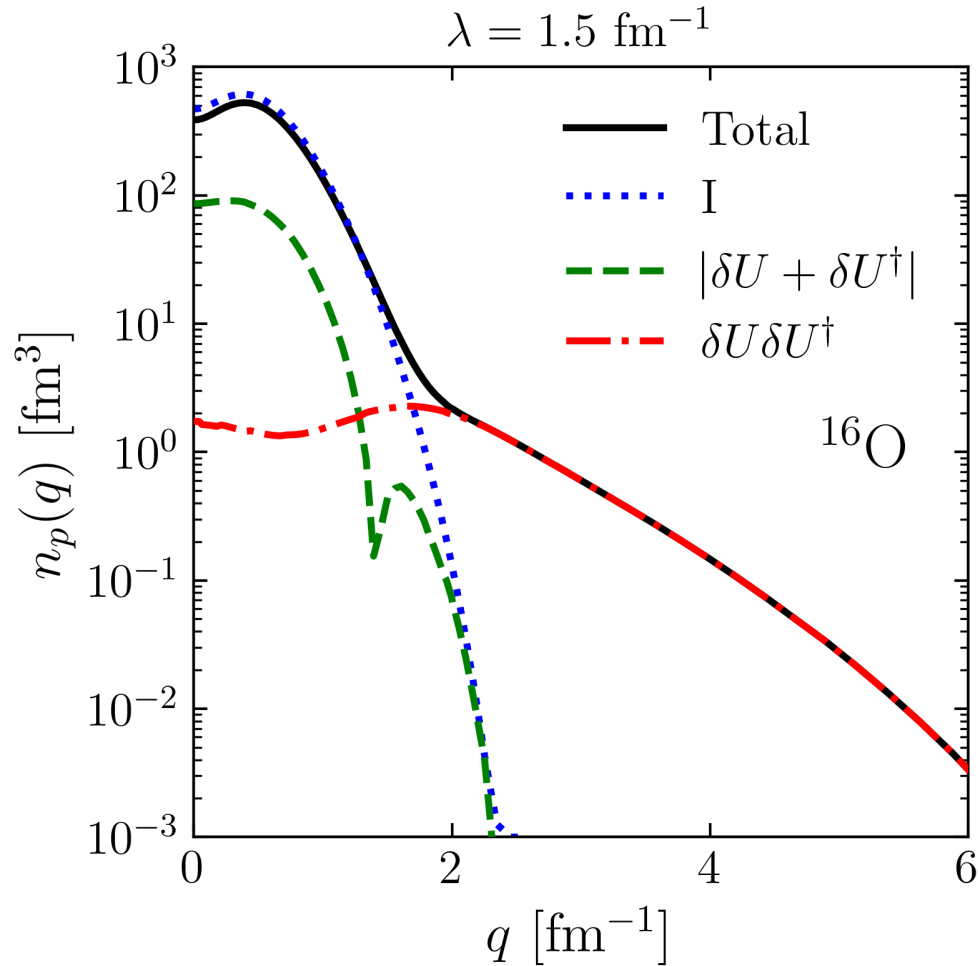
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Contributions to proton momentum distribution of ^{16}O with AV18 and $\lambda = 1.5 \text{ fm}^{-1}$.

- For high- q , the $\delta U_\lambda \delta U_\lambda^\dagger$ 2-body term dominates

$$\approx \sum_{K, k, k'} \delta U_\lambda(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}) \delta U_\lambda^\dagger(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{k}') a_{\frac{K}{2}+\mathbf{k}}^\dagger a_{\frac{K}{2}-\mathbf{k}}^\dagger a_{\frac{K}{2}-\mathbf{k}'} a_{\frac{K}{2}+\mathbf{k}'}$$



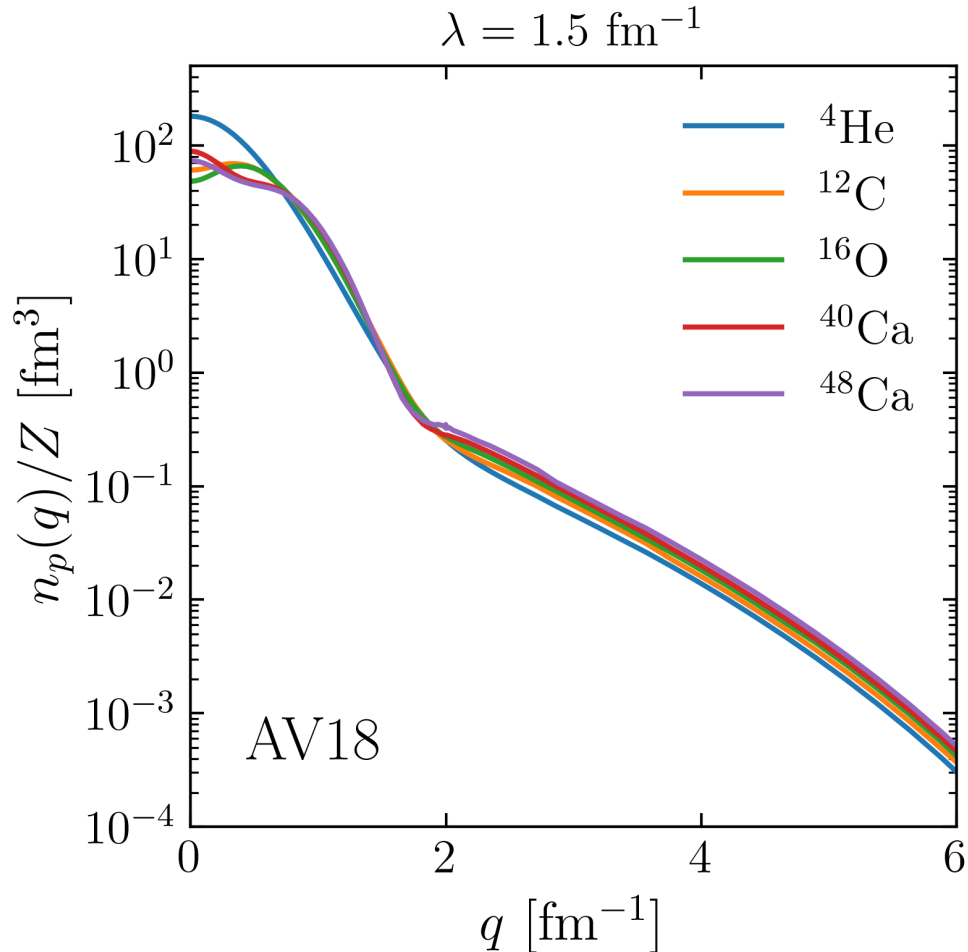
Factorization: $\delta U_\lambda(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}) \approx F_\lambda^{lo}(\mathbf{k}) F_\lambda^{hi}(\mathbf{q})$



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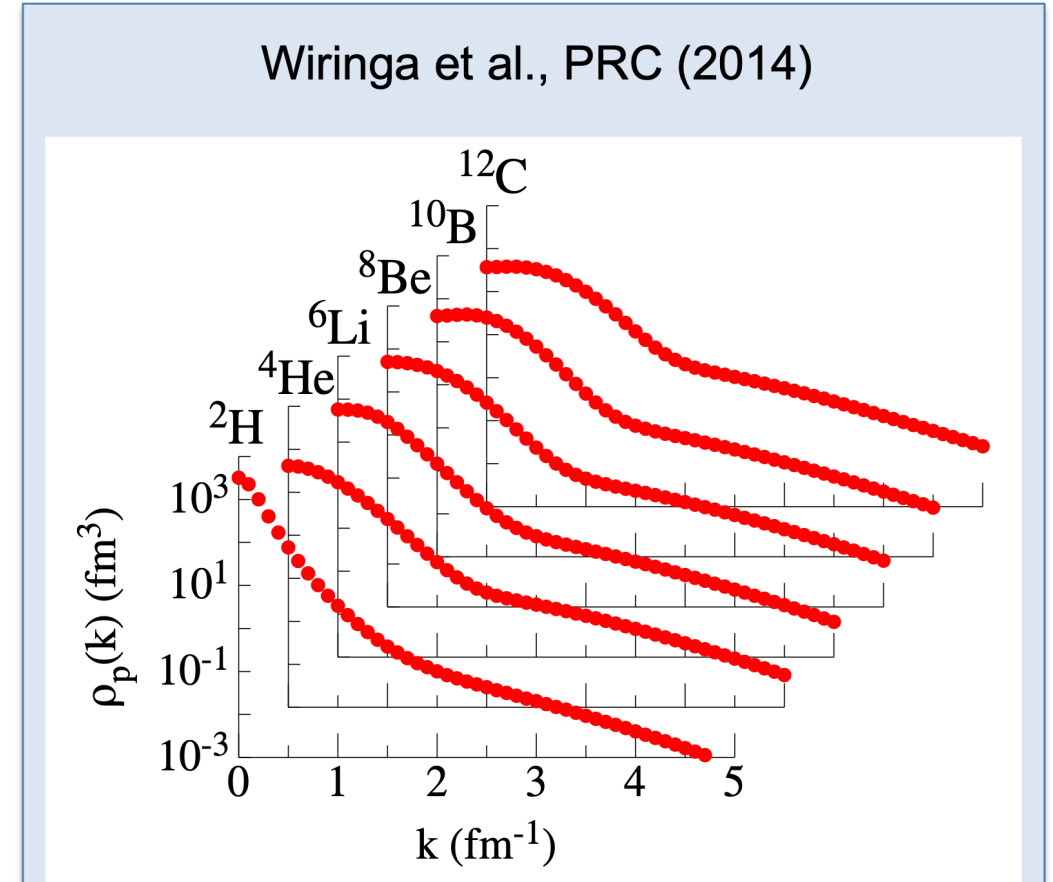
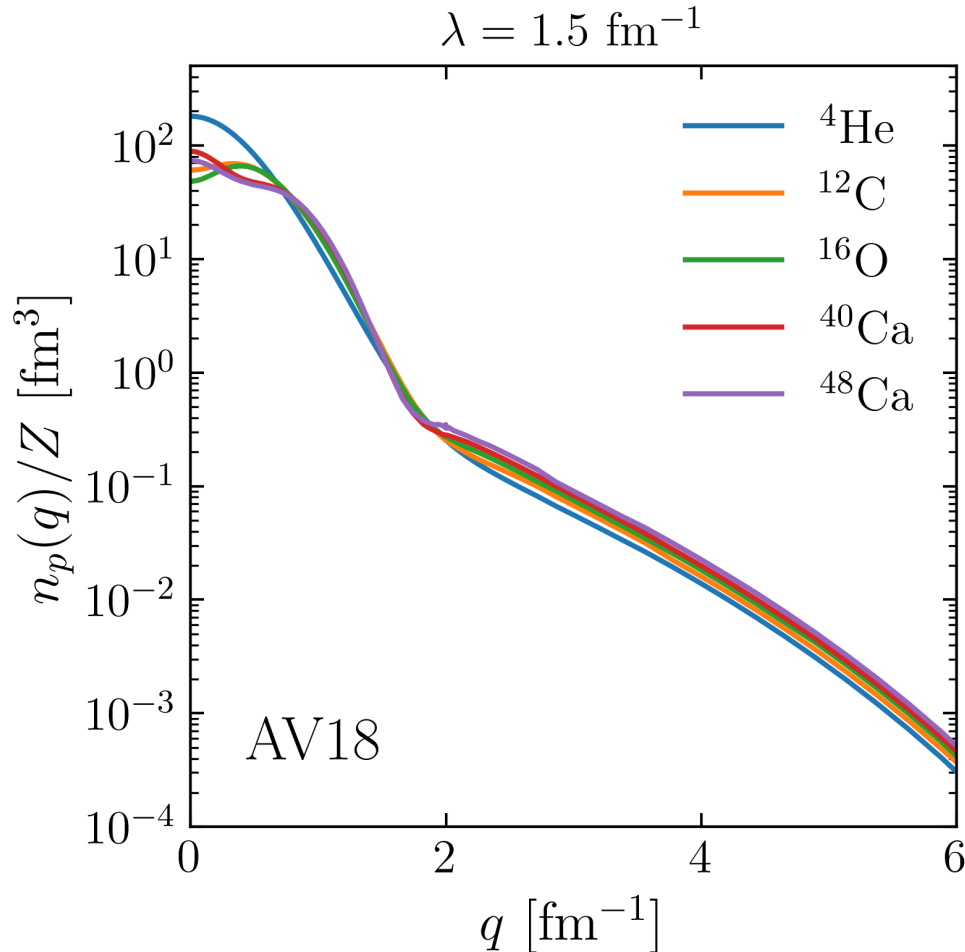
- SRC physics is encapsulated in the 2-body high- q piece $|F_\lambda^{lo}(\mathbf{q})|^2$ in the evolved operator

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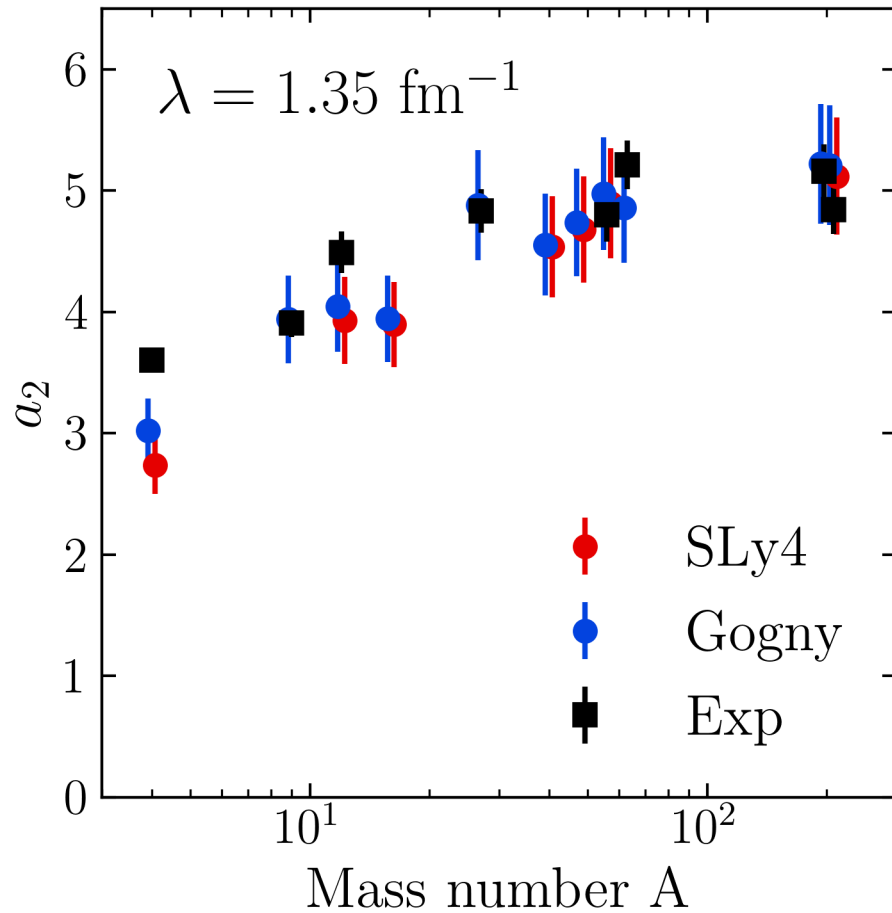
- **Universality:** High- q dependence from universal function $\approx |F_\lambda^{hi}(q)|^2$ fixed by 2-body and insensitive to nucleus
- Soft matrix element is dependent on nucleus but not q

High momentum tails at low RG resolution



Consistent with universal high- q tails from VMC calculations of R. B. Wiringa et al., Phys. Rev. C **89**, 024305 (2014)

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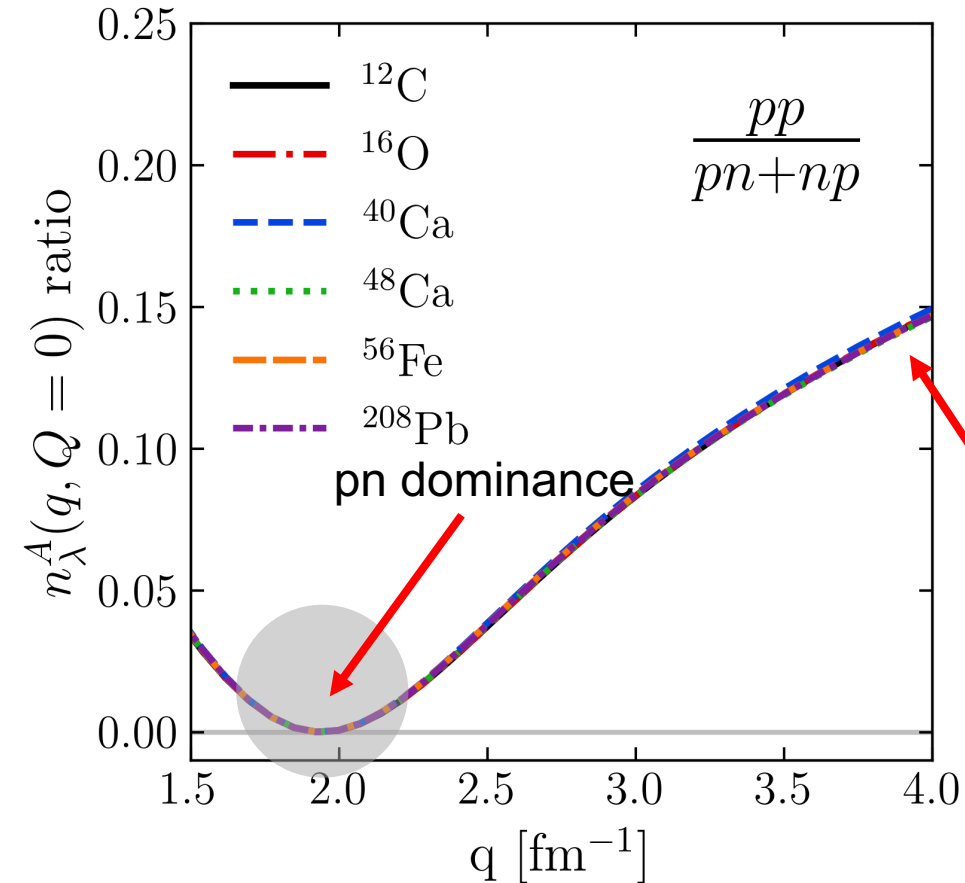


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a_2 scale factors using single-nucleon momentum distributions under HF+LDA (SLy4 in red¹, Gogny² in blue) with AV18 and $\lambda = 1.35 \text{ fm}^{-1}$ compared to experimental values³.

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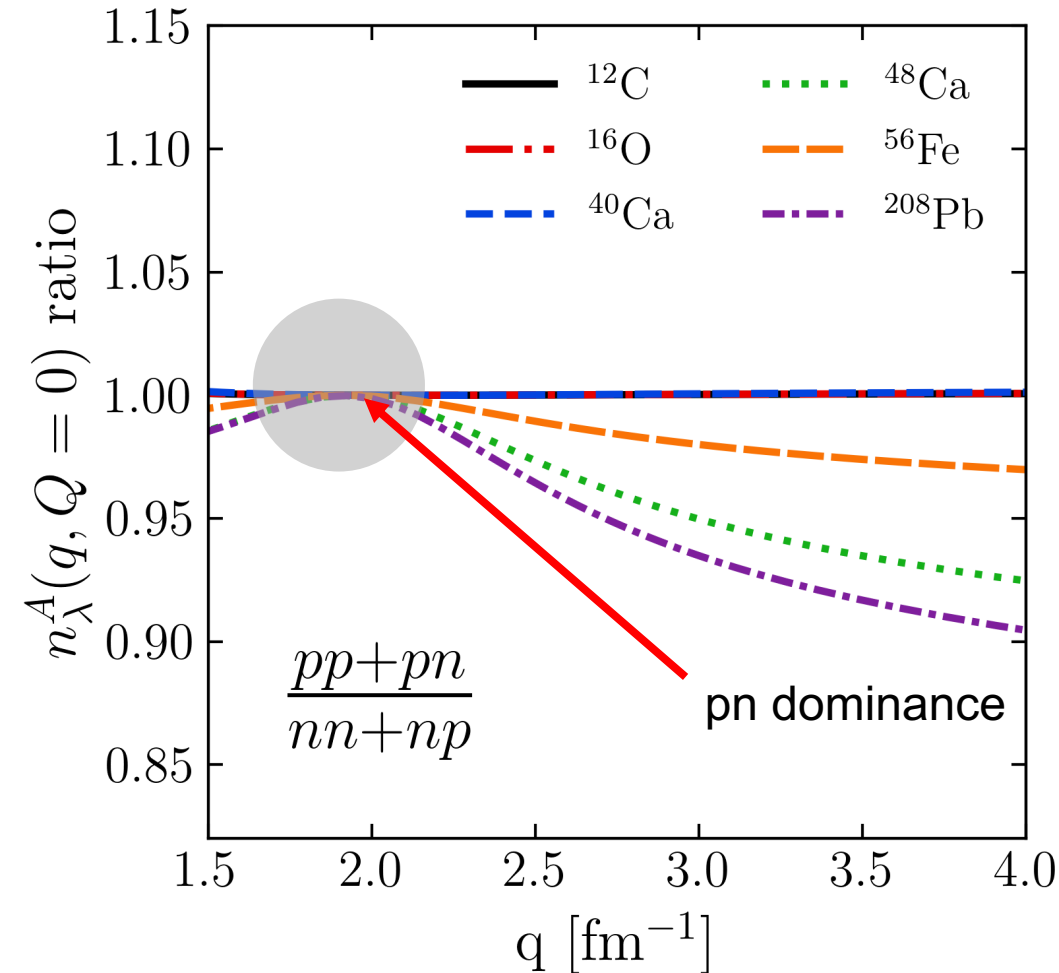


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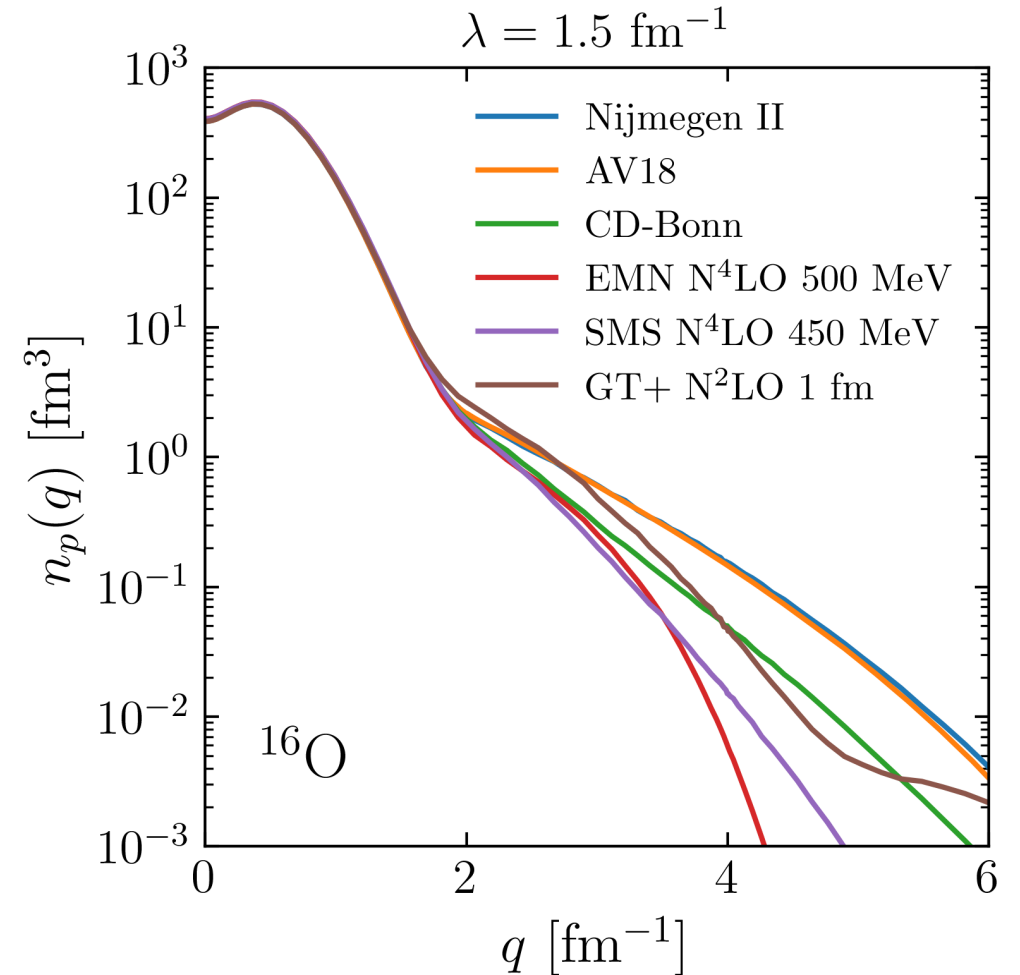
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- **Isospin dependence:**
 - Ratio ~ 1 independent of N/Z in np dominant region
 - Ratio < 1 for nuclei where $N > Z$ and outside np dominant region

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$(pp+pn)/(nn+np)$ ratio of pair momentum distributions under HF+LDA with AV18 and $\lambda = 1.35 \text{ fm}^{-1}$.

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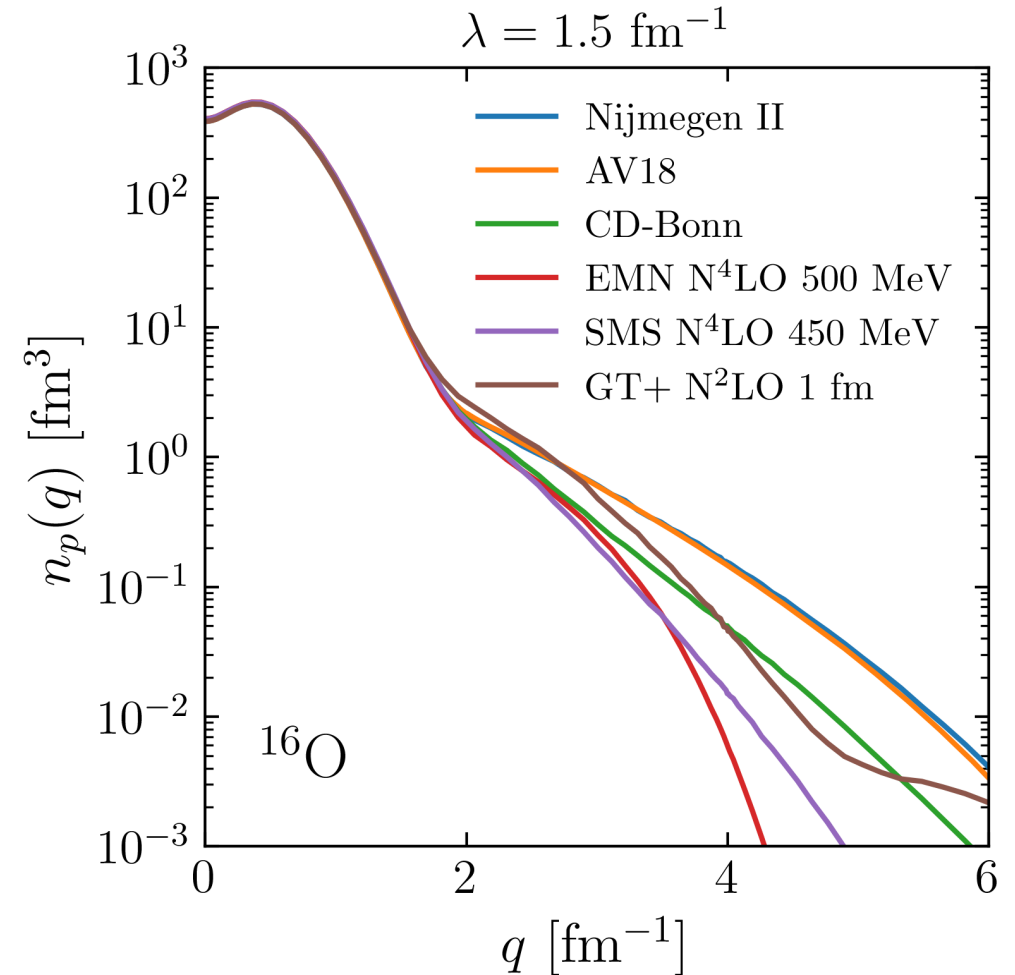
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- Momentum distributions exhibit scale/scheme dependence of the interaction
- **Observables (e.g., cross sections) should be the same regardless of interaction used!**
- **Next: Quasi-deuteron example¹**
 - How can observables be calculated consistently with different interactions?
 - Use SRG transformations to match interactions!



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Quasi-deuteron

- The quasi-deuteron model was introduced ~1950 by Levinger to explain cross sections for knocking out high-momentum protons in photo-absorption on nuclei

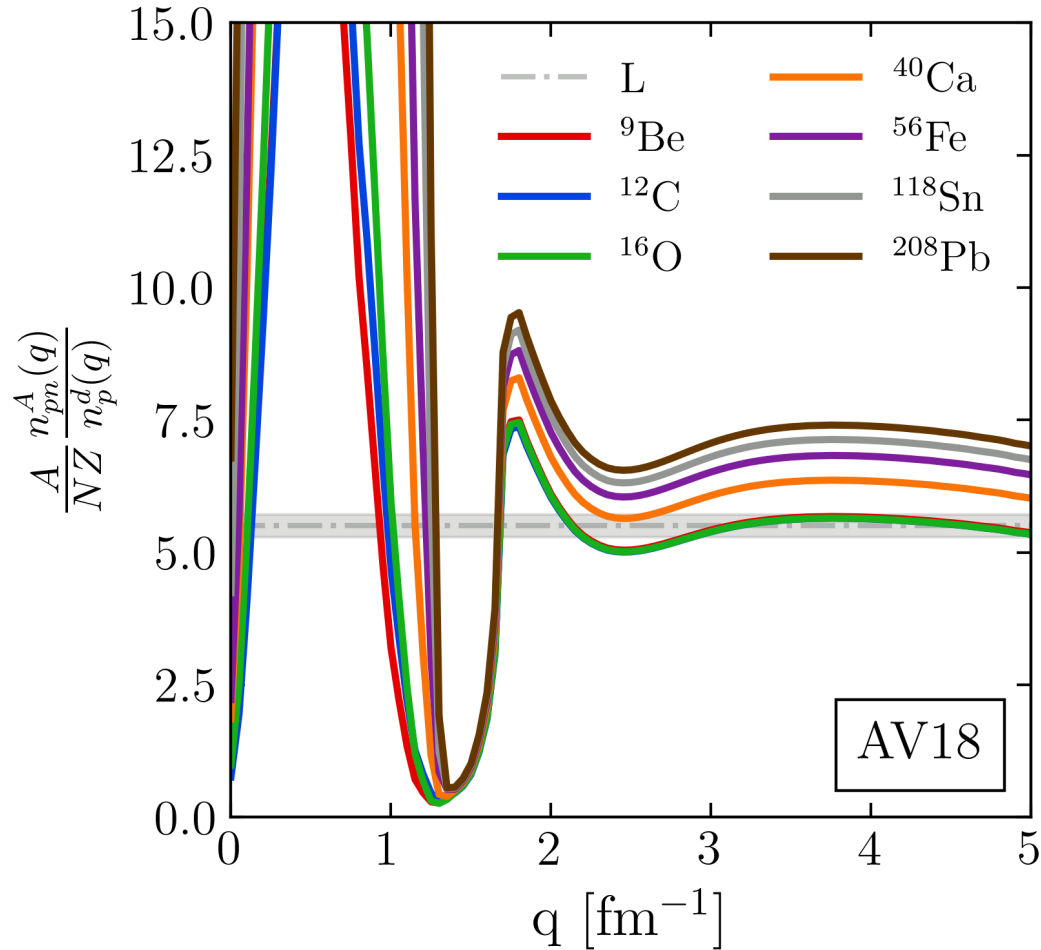
$$\sigma_A(E_\gamma) = L \frac{NZ}{A} \sigma_d(E_\gamma)$$

- Assuming a one-body reaction operator, the nuclear wave function must include two-body SRCs with deuteron-like quantum numbers → **high-resolution model**
- Modern treatment of SRCs by Weiss¹ and collaborators relates momentum distributions at high momentum to the Levinger constant L

$$\frac{n_{pn}^A(q)}{n^d(q)} \approx L \frac{NZ}{A}$$

- At **low RG resolution**, the quasi-deuteron model is manifested as an RG-evolved two-body operator that is common to nuclear photo-absorption and deuteron photo-disintegration²

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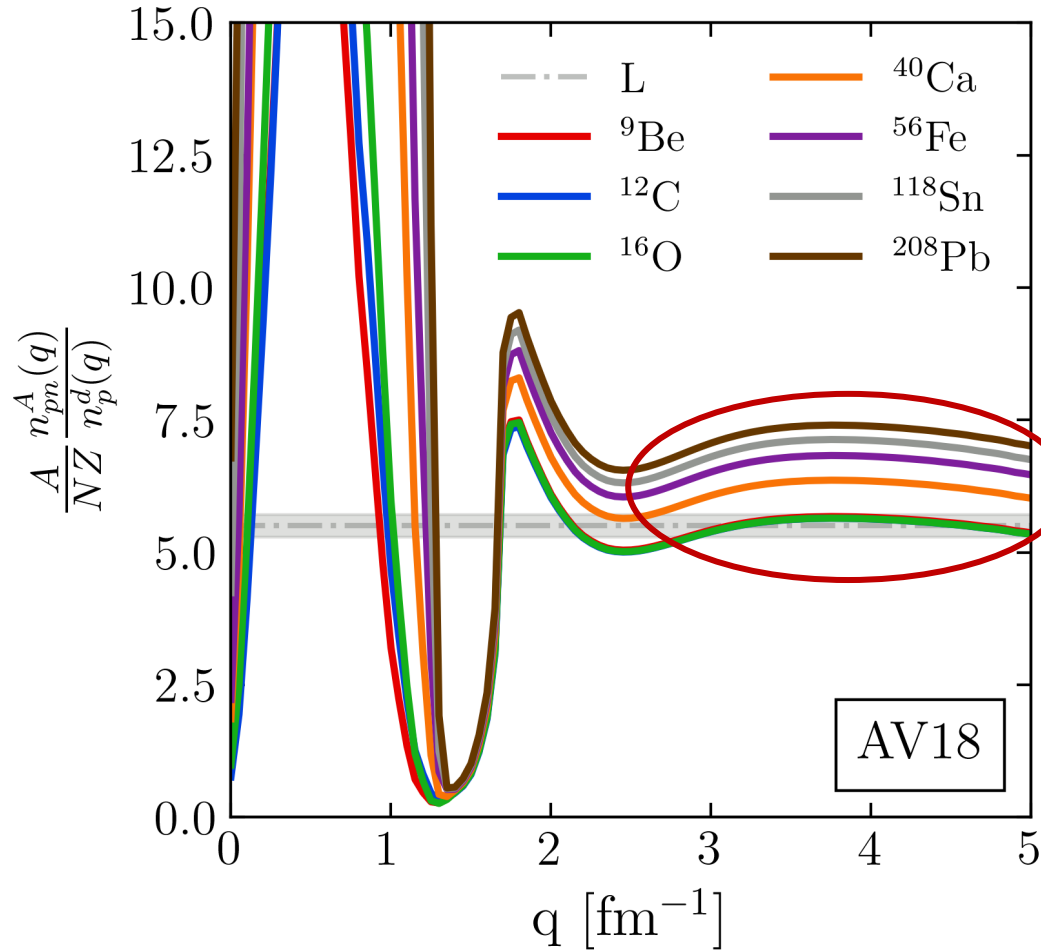


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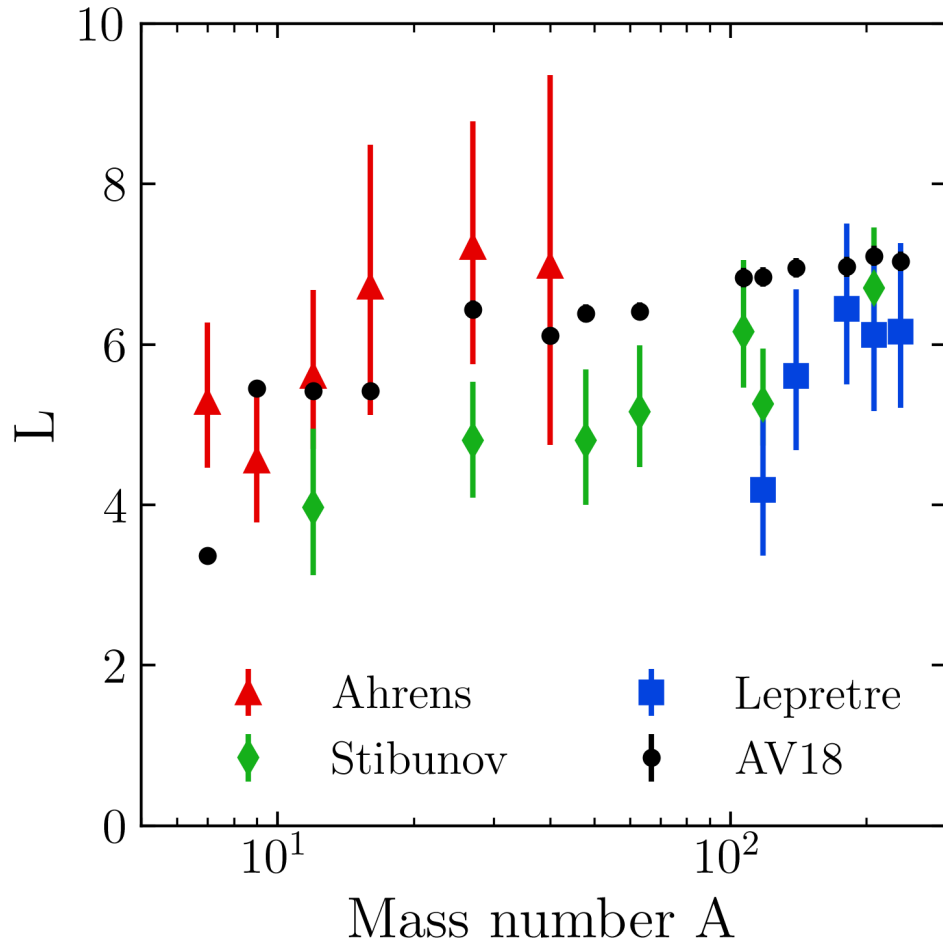
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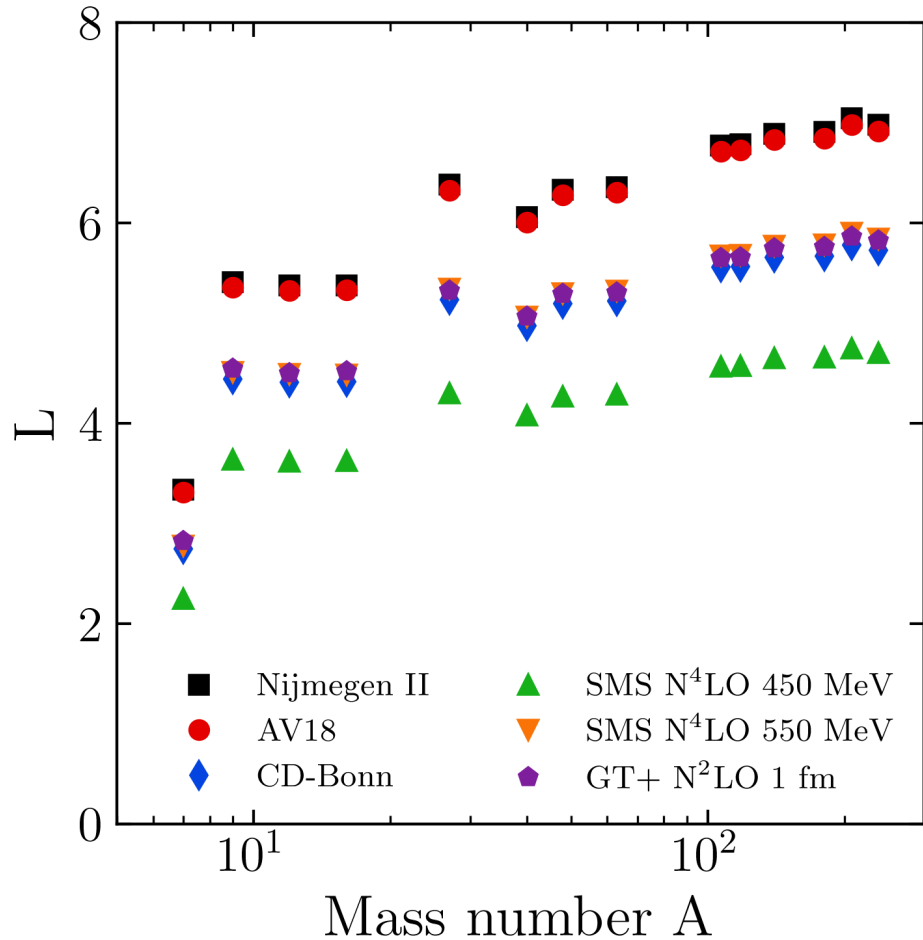
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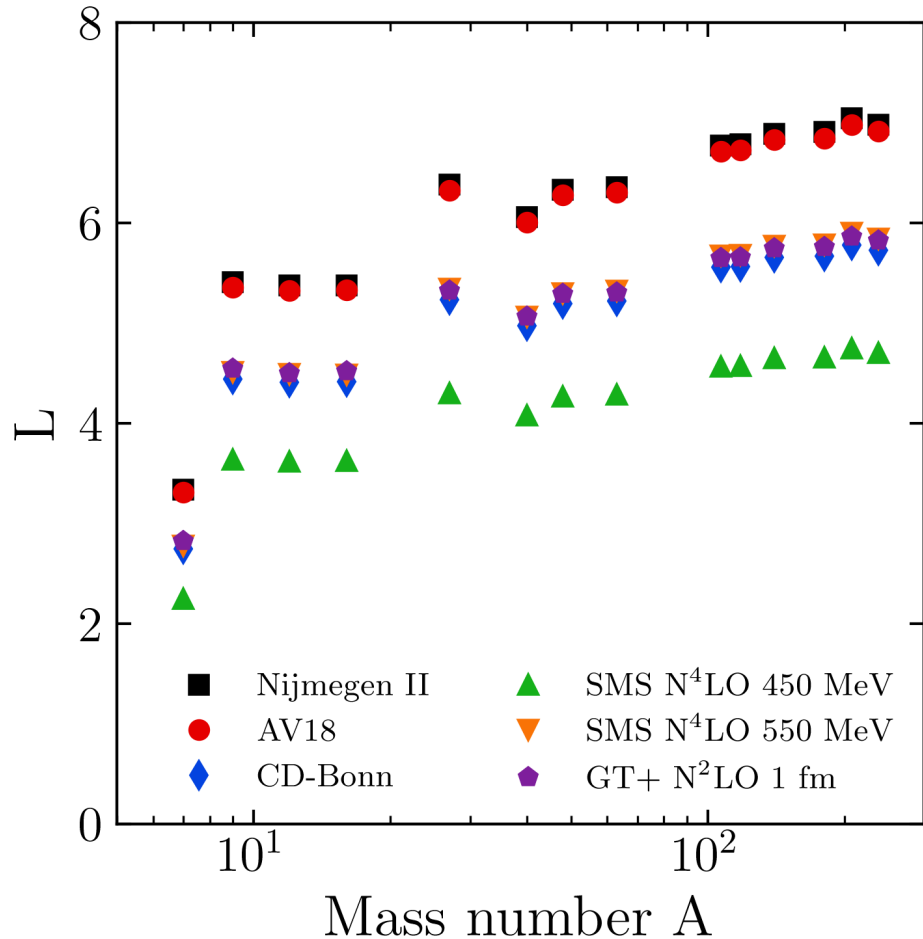
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- **Strategy:** Match results using a reference momentum distribution (AV18)
 - One-body initial operator for AV18
 - Two-body initial operator for soft potentials

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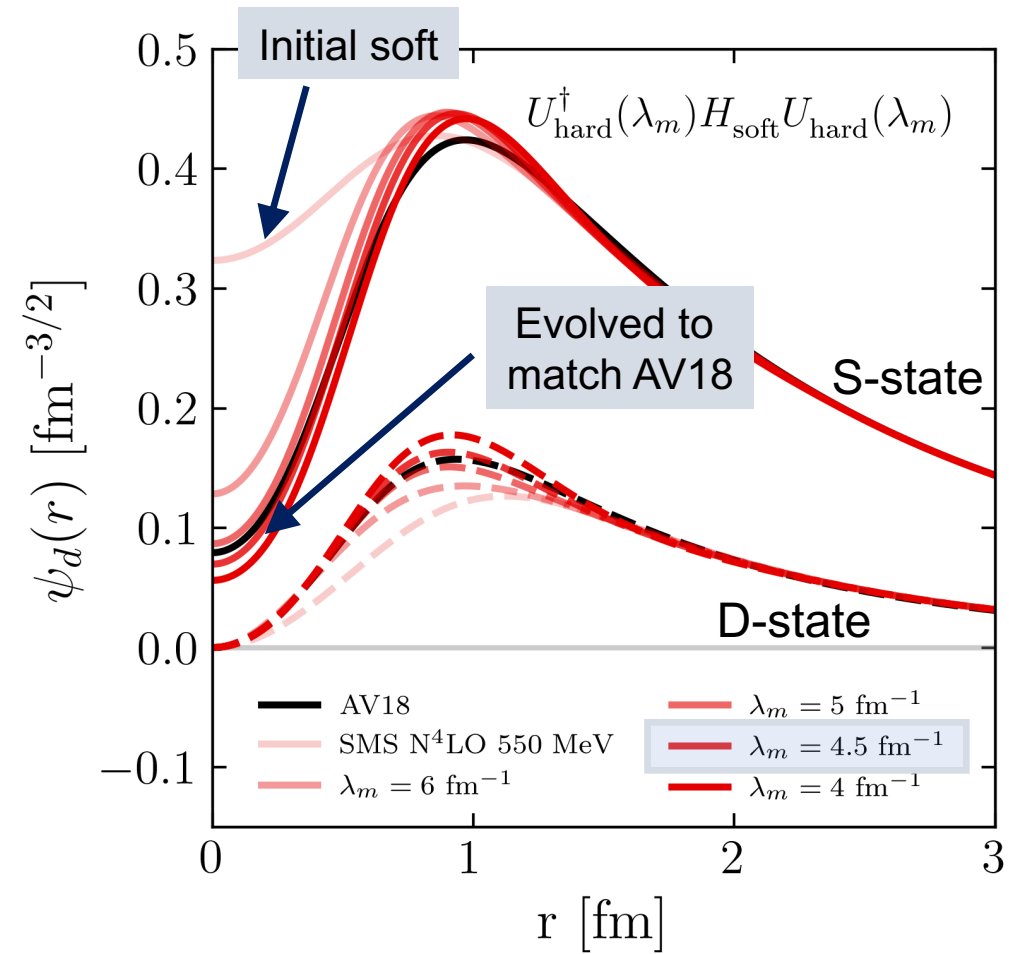
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- Deuteron wave functions identify the matching scale λ_m (other matching procedures also work)

Inverse-SRG evolution of the deuteron wave function from SMS N⁴LO 550 MeV comparing to AV18. The solid lines correspond to the S states, and the dashed lines correspond to the D states.



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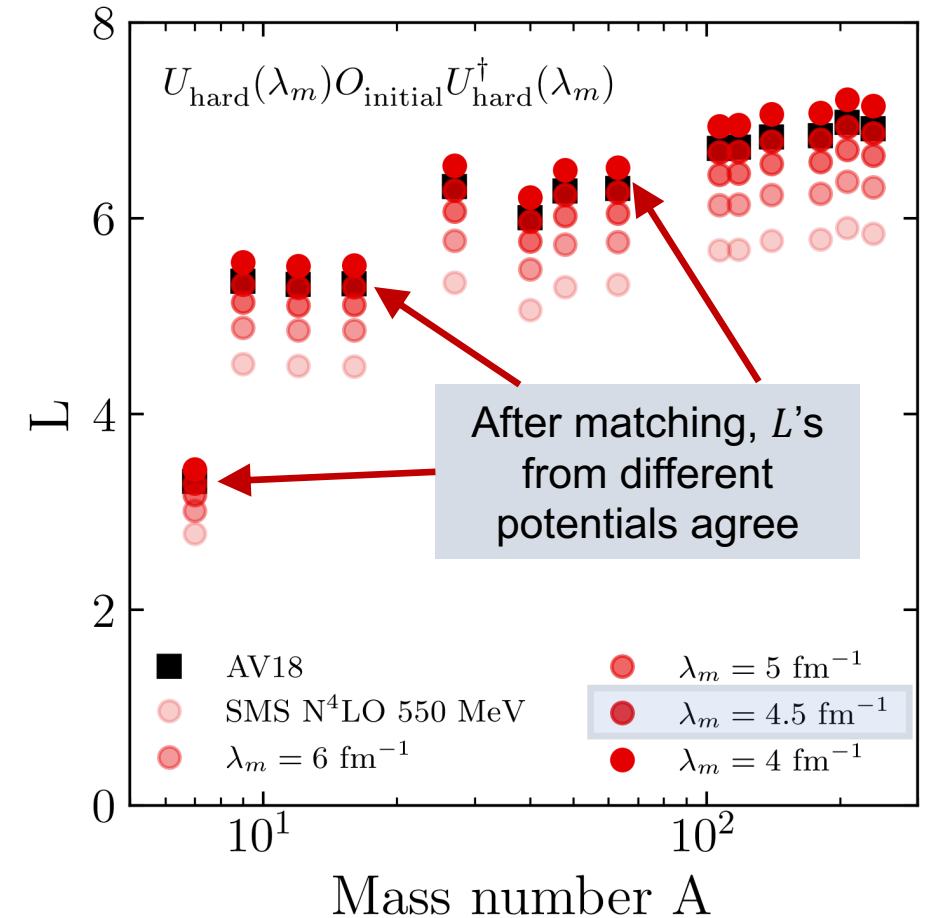
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$$O_{soft}^{2-body}(\lambda_m) = U_{hard}(\lambda_m) O_{hard}^{1-body}(\infty) U_{hard}^\dagger(\lambda_m)$$

- Lowering the value of $\lambda_m \rightarrow 4.5 \text{ fm}^{-1}$ raises soft L to match hard L
- Moral: *additional 2-body operator needed to calculate consistent values of L for soft potentials; find by matching!*

Average Levinger constant for several nuclei comparing the SMS N⁴LO 550 MeV and AV18 potentials. Results are also shown for the SMS N⁴LO 550 MeV potential with an additional two-body operator due to SRG transformations from AV18.



Summary

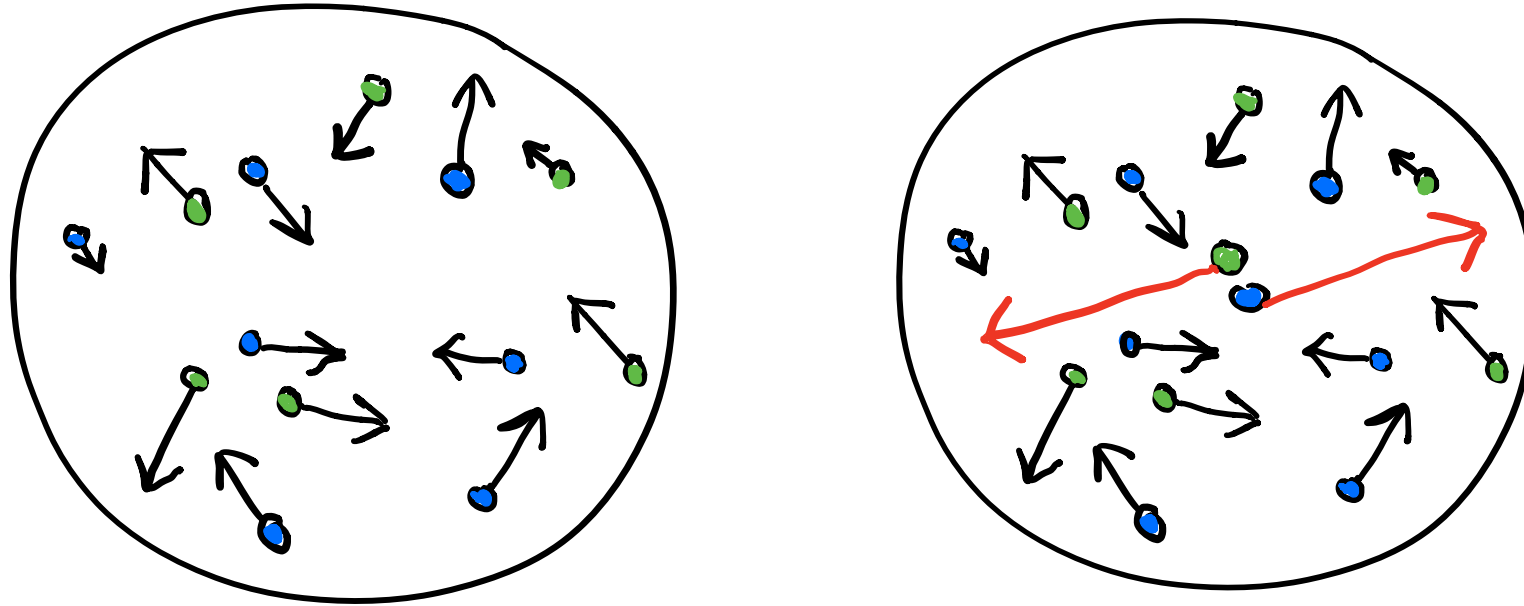
- RG provides a tool for consistent treatments of structure and reactions
- RG enables comparisons of process independent (but scale and scheme dependent) quantities
- Simple approximations to SRC physics work and are systematically improvable at low RG resolution
- NN interactions can be “smoothly” connected by RG transformations

Outlook

- Improve description of pair momentum distributions with respect to CM momentum Q
- Extend to $(e, e'p)$ knockout cross sections and test scale/scheme dependence of extracted properties
- Analyze scale/scheme dependence of spectroscopic factors
- Apply low RG resolution methods to neutrinoless double beta decay
- Investigate follow-ups to matching interactions using unitary transformations
- Test RG evolution of optical potentials (led by Mostofa Hisham)¹

¹M. A. Hisham et al., Phys. Rev. C
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Extras



Cartoon snapshots of a nucleus at (left) low-RG and (right) high-RG resolutions. The back-to-back nucleons at high-RG resolution are an SRC pair with small center-of-mass momentum.

Similarity renormalization group

- Evolve to low RG resolution using the SRG

$$O(s) = U(s)O(0)U^\dagger(s)$$

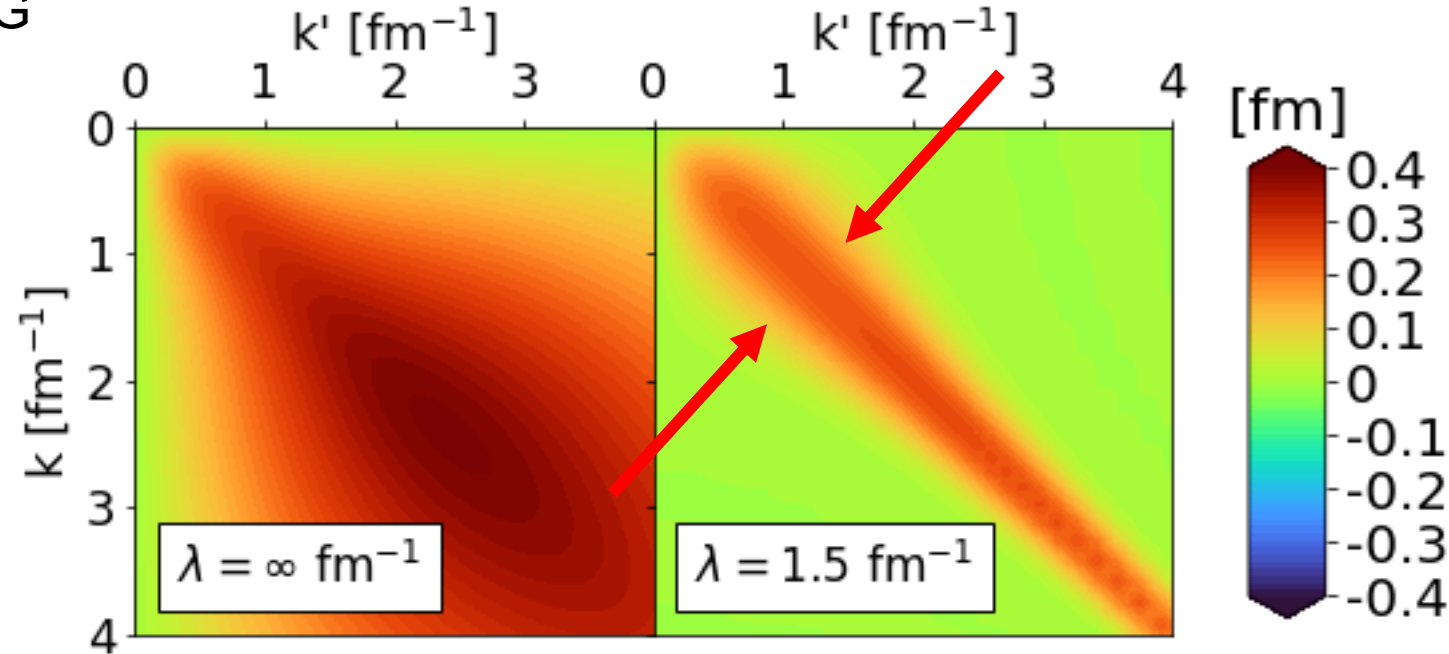
where $s = 0 \rightarrow \infty$ and $U(s)$ is unitary

- SRG transformations decouple high- and low-momenta in the Hamiltonian
- In practice, solve differential flow equation

$$\frac{dO(s)}{ds} = [\eta(s), O(s)]$$

where $\eta(s) \equiv \frac{dU(s)}{ds}U^\dagger(s) = [G, H(s)]$ is the SRG generator

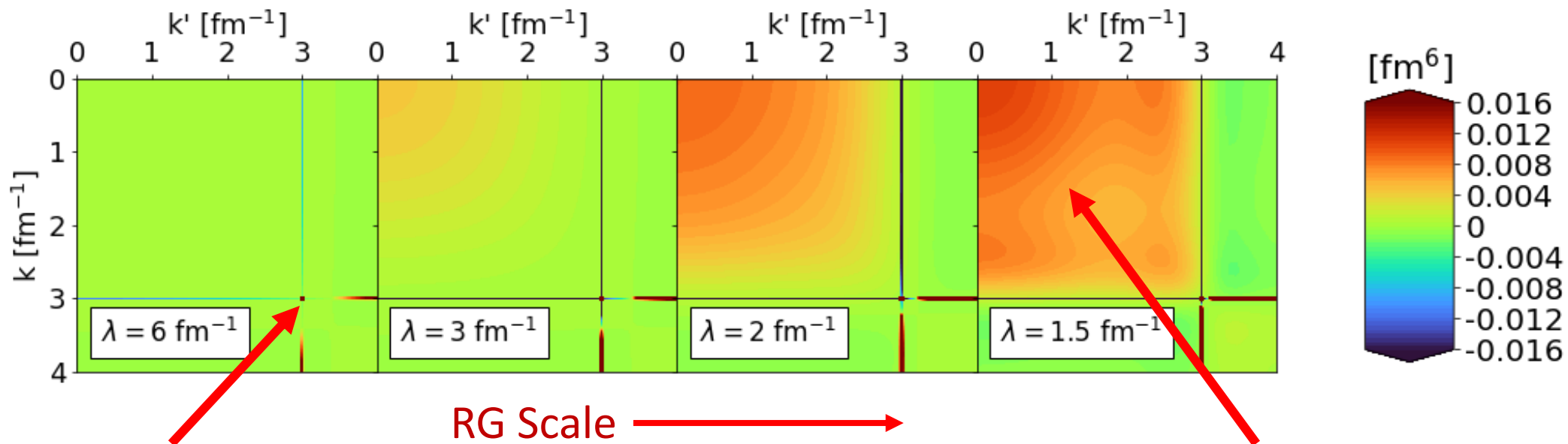
- Decoupling scale given by $\lambda = s^{-1/4}$



Momentum-space matrix elements of Argonne v18 (AV18) under SRG evolution in 1P_1 channel. Figure adapted from AJT et al., Phys. Rev. C **102**, 034005 (2020).

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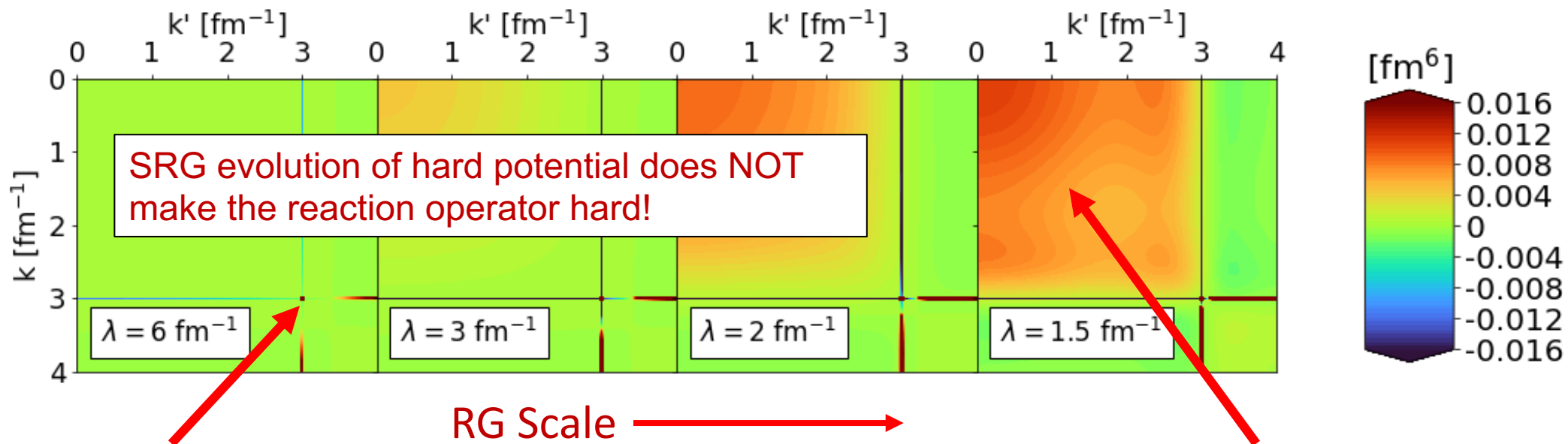
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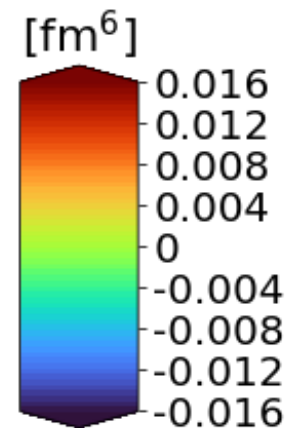
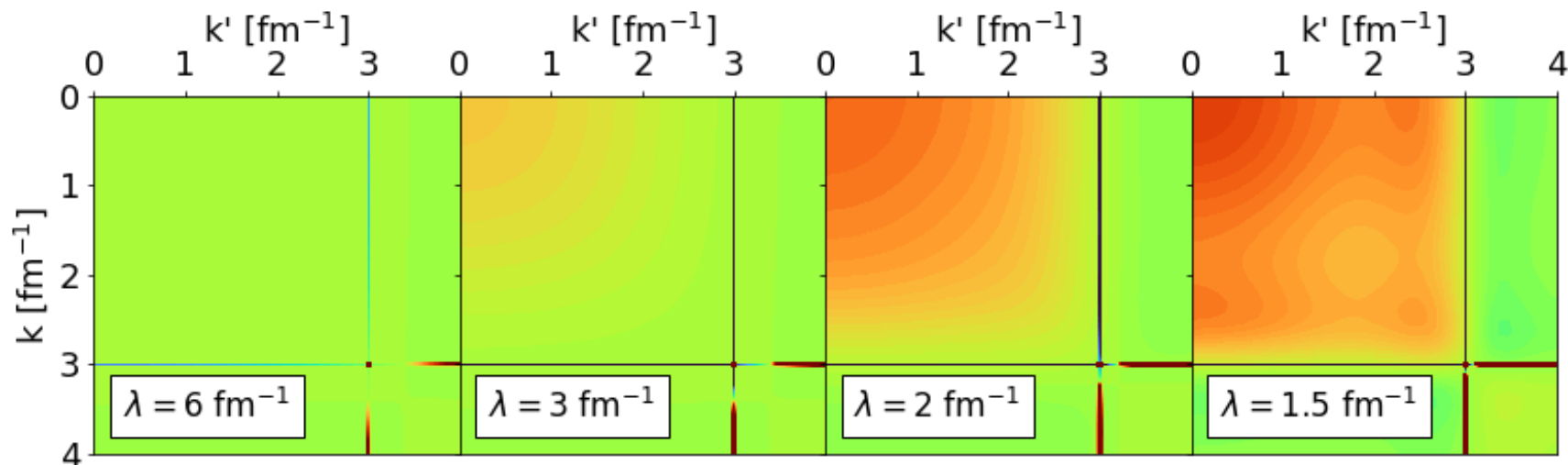


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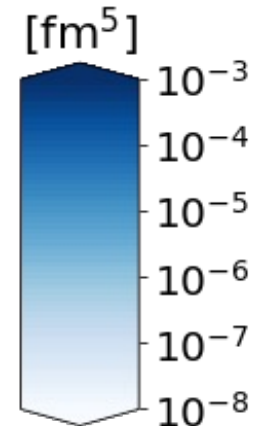
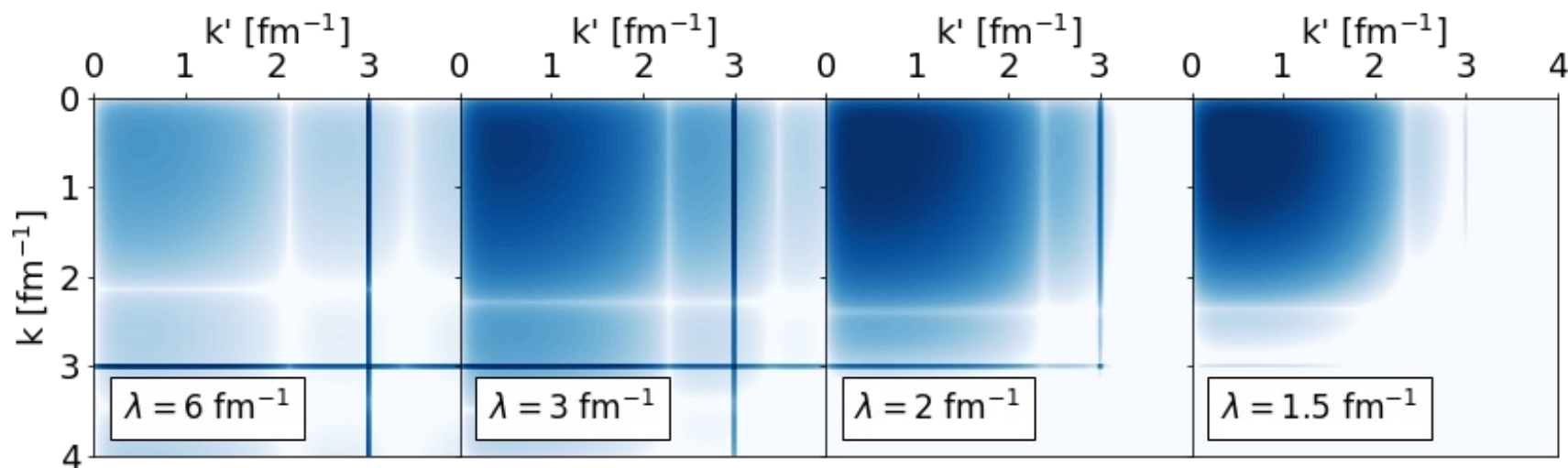
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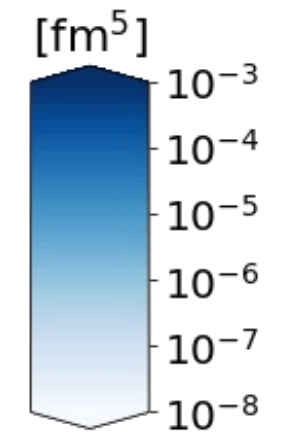
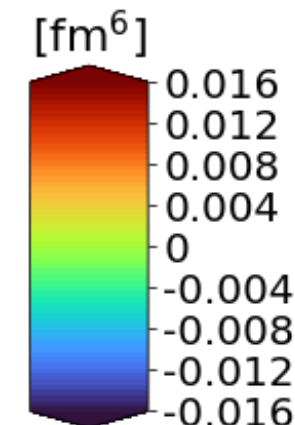
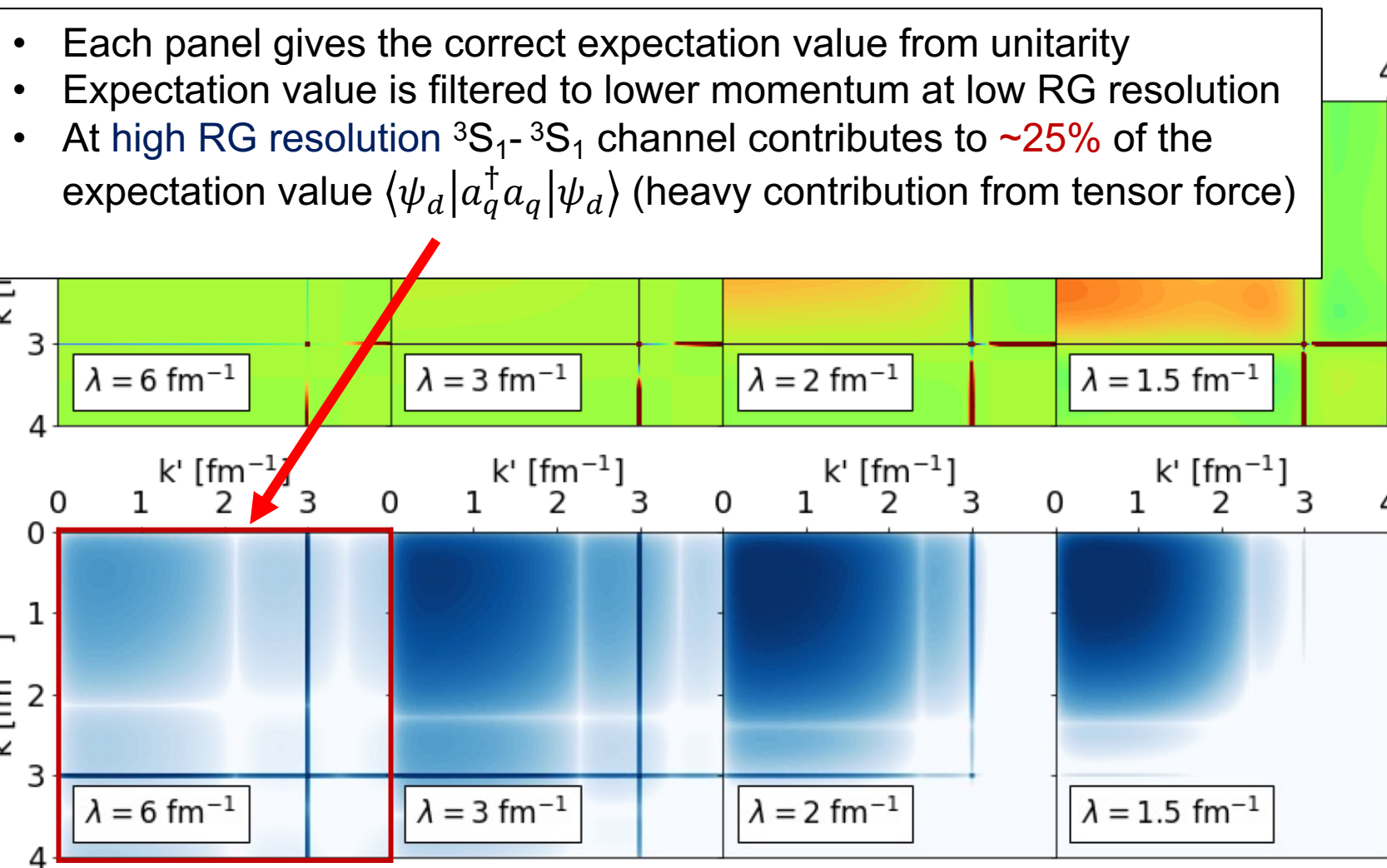


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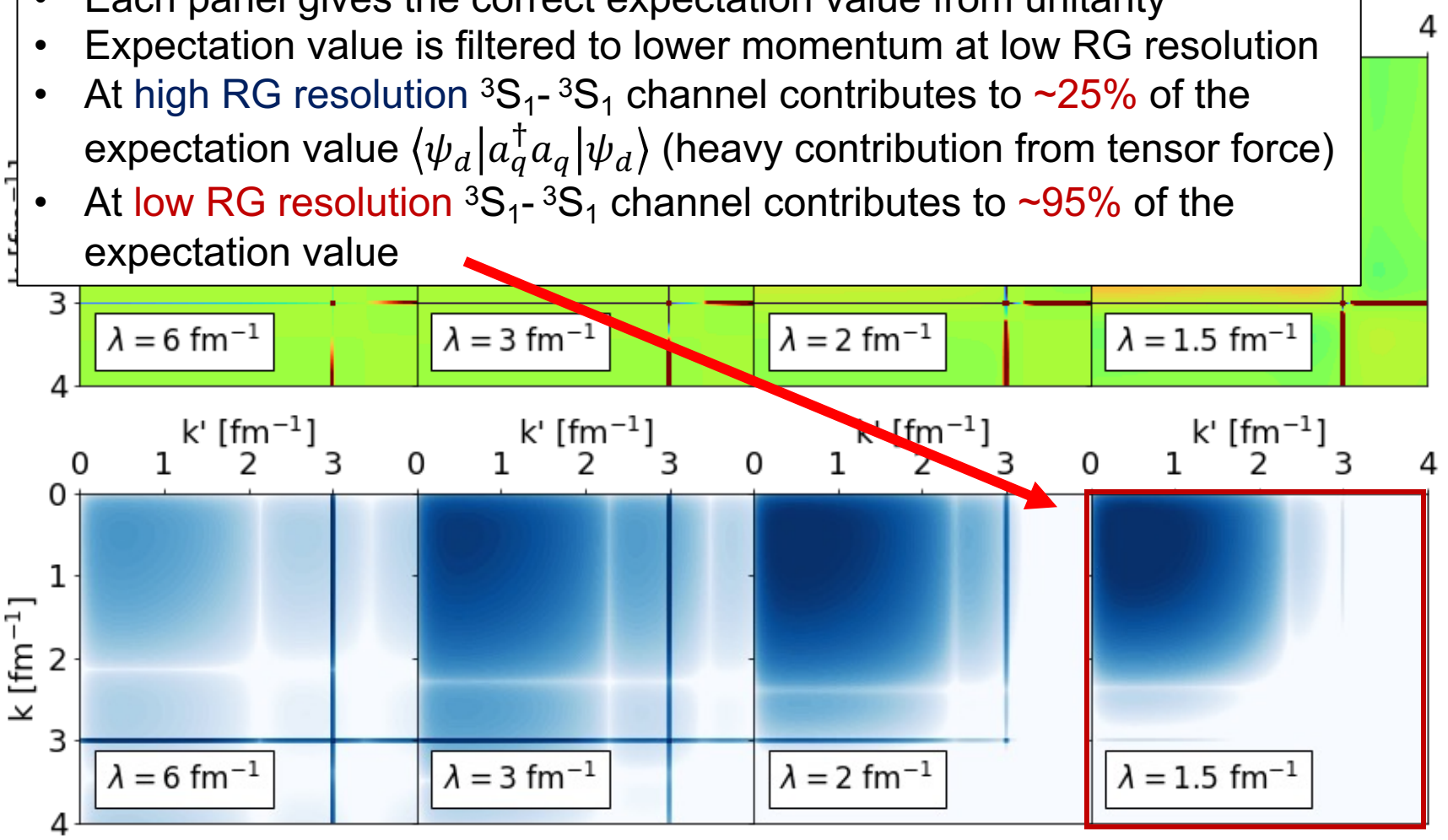


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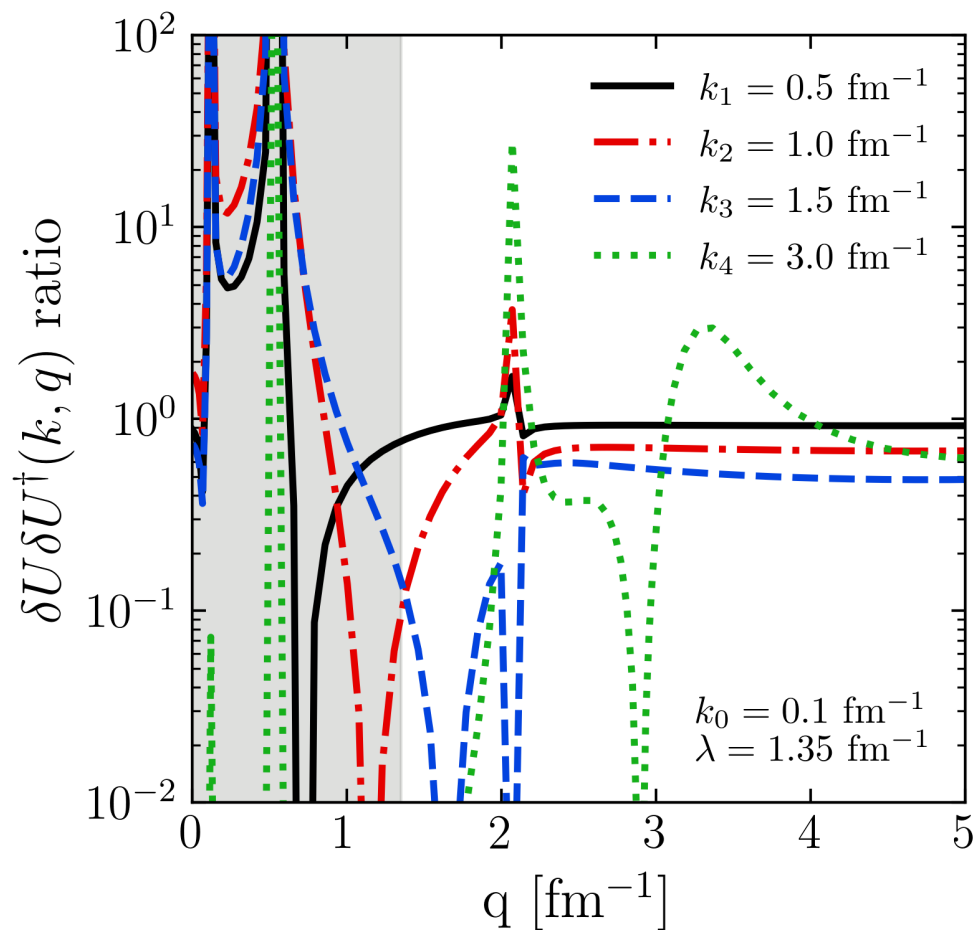
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- Each panel gives the correct expectation value from unitarity
- Expectation value is filtered to lower momentum at low RG resolution
- At **high RG resolution** 3S_1 - 3S_1 channel contributes to **~25%** of the expectation value $\langle \psi_d | a_q^\dagger a_q | \psi_d \rangle$ (heavy contribution from tensor force)
- At **low RG resolution** 3S_1 - 3S_1 channel contributes to **~95%** of the expectation value



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Ratio of $\delta U \delta U^\dagger(k, q)$ for fixed k and λ .

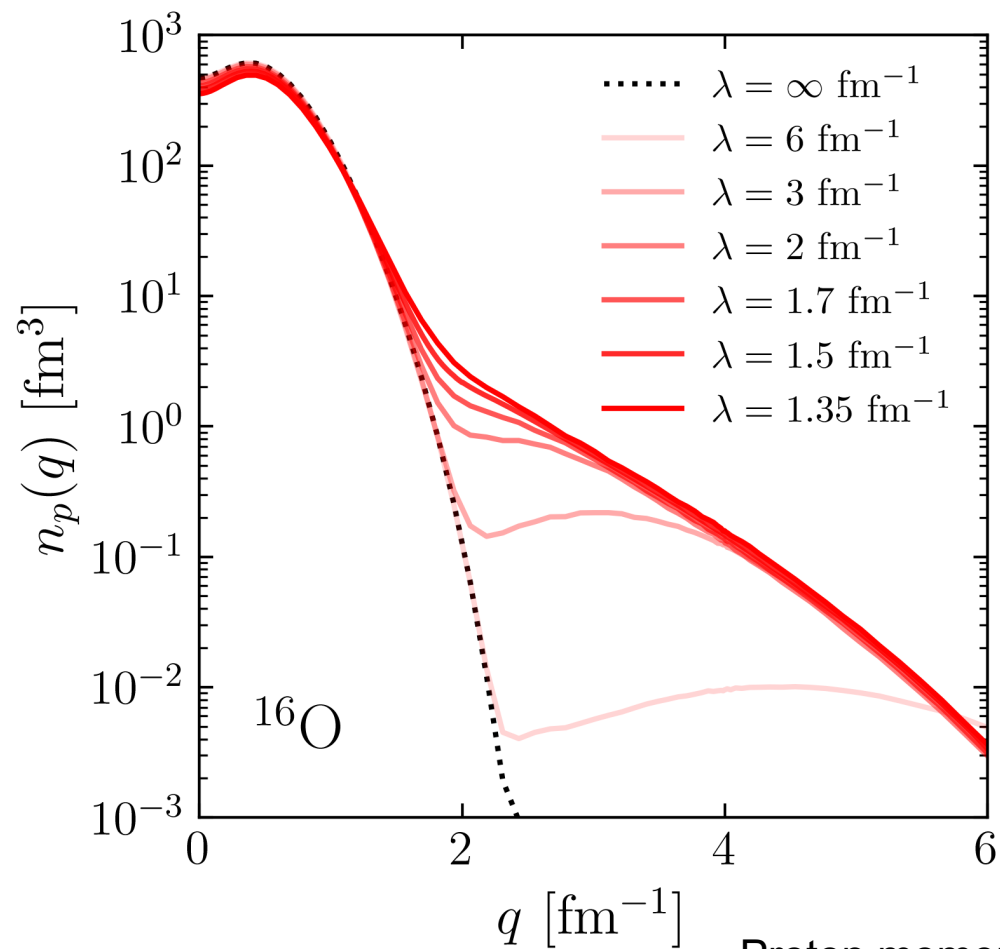
- Consider an operator dominated by high momentum q where $k < \lambda$ and $q \gg \lambda$
- Expand the eigenstates ψ_α^∞ of the initial NN Hamiltonian in terms of the SRG-evolved states ψ_α^λ

$$\psi_\alpha^\infty(q) \approx \gamma^\lambda(q) \int_0^\lambda d\tilde{p} Z(\lambda) \psi_\alpha^\lambda(p) + \eta^\lambda(q) \int_0^\lambda d\tilde{p} p^2 Z(\lambda) \psi_\alpha^\lambda(p) + \dots$$

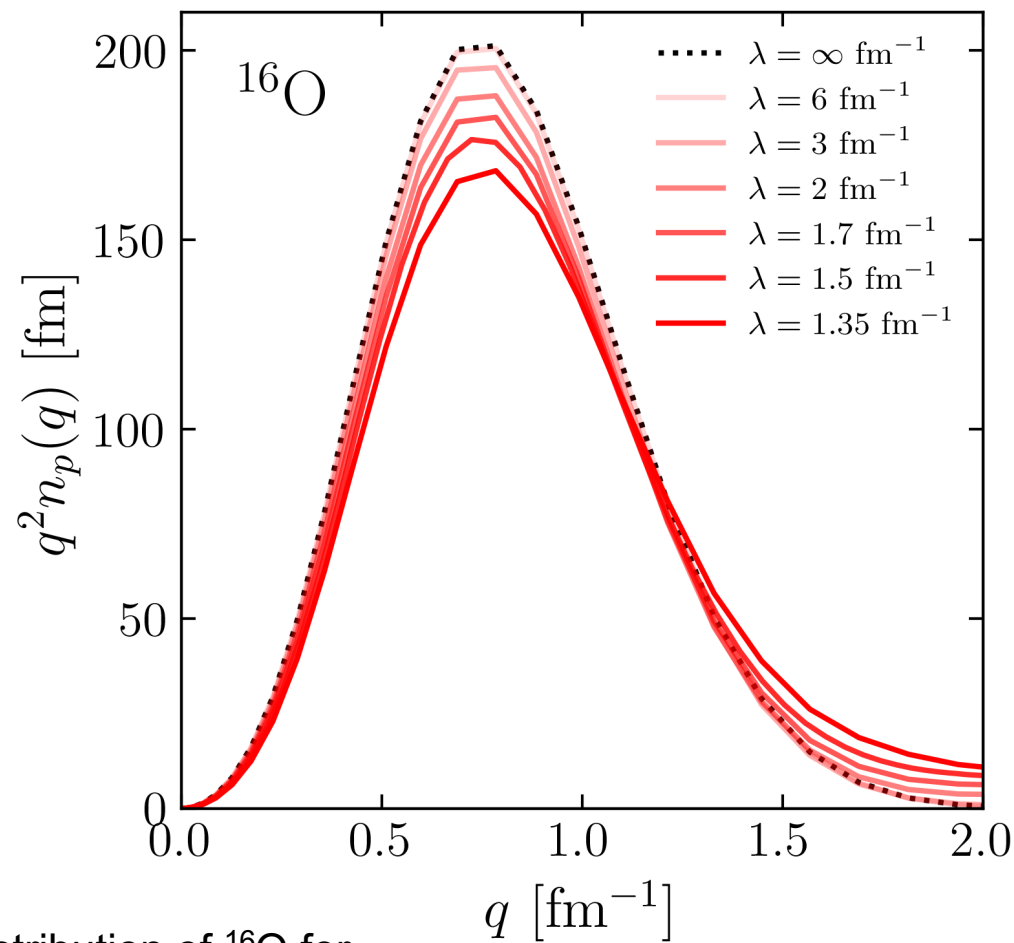
- Substitute leading-order term of operator product expansion (OPE) in spectral representation of SRG transformation

$$\begin{aligned} U_\lambda(k, q) &= \sum_\alpha^\infty \langle k | \psi_\alpha^\lambda \rangle \langle \psi_\alpha^\infty | q \rangle \\ &\approx \left[\sum_\alpha^{|E_\alpha| \ll |E_{QHQ}|} \langle k | \psi_\alpha^\lambda \rangle \int_0^\lambda d\tilde{p} Z(\lambda) \psi_\alpha^{\lambda\dagger}(p) \right] \gamma^\lambda(q) \\ &\equiv K_\lambda(k) Q_\lambda(q) \end{aligned}$$

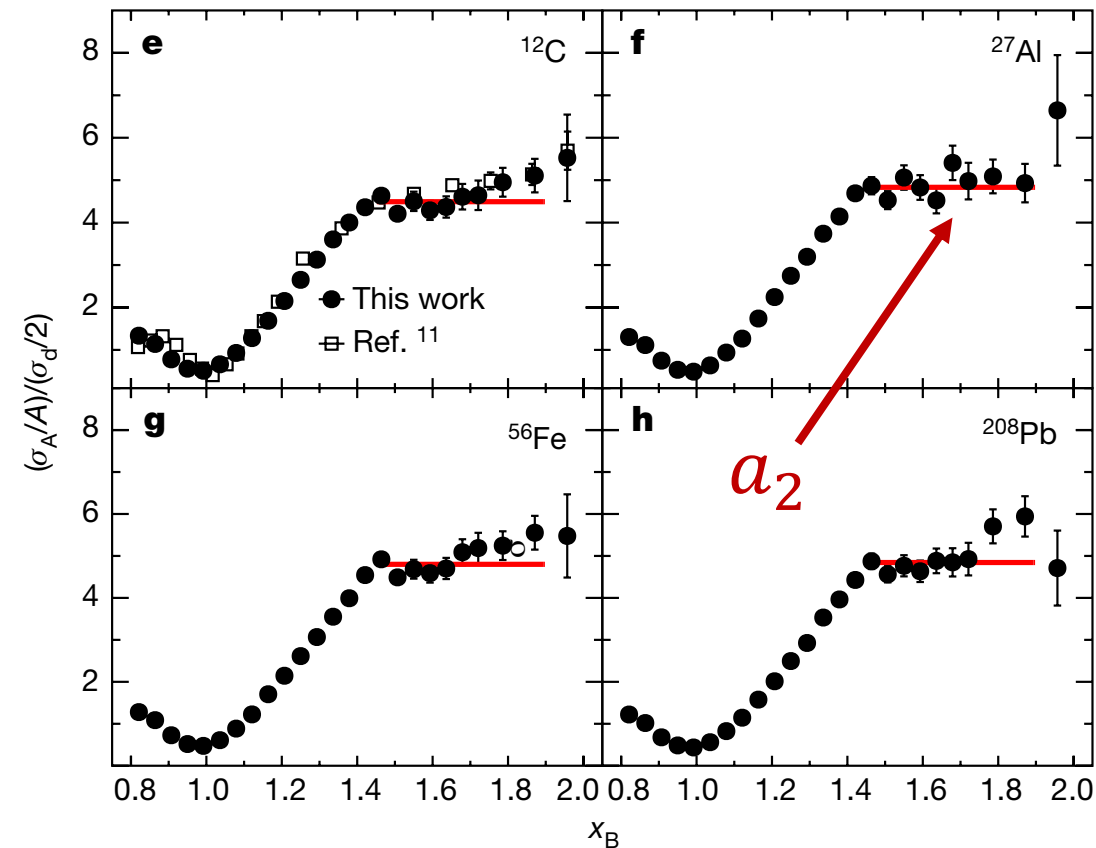
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Proton momentum distribution of ^{16}O for several SRG flow parameters λ



SRC scaling factors



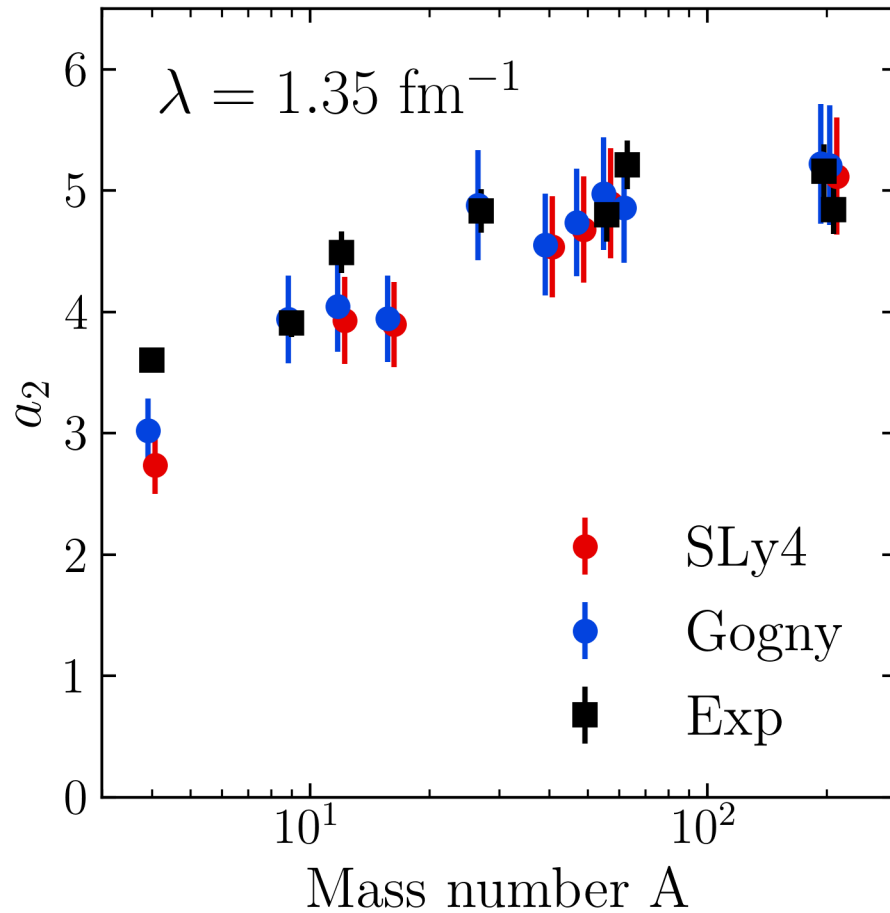
- SRC scaling factors a_2 defined by plateau in cross section ratio $\frac{2\sigma_A}{A\sigma_d}$ at $1.45 \leq x \leq 1.9$
- Closely related to the ratio of bound-nucleon probability distributions in the limits of vanishing relative distance (infinitely high relative momentum)
- Extract a_2 from momentum distributions

$$a_2 = \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} \frac{P^A(q)}{P^d(q)} \approx \frac{\int_{\Delta q}^{\text{high}} dq P^A(q)}{\int_{\Delta q}^{\text{high}} dq P^d(q)}$$

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Ratio of per-nucleon electron scattering cross section of nucleus A to that of deuterium, where the red line indicates a constant fit. Figure from B. Schmookler et al. (CLAS), Nature **566**, 354 (2019).

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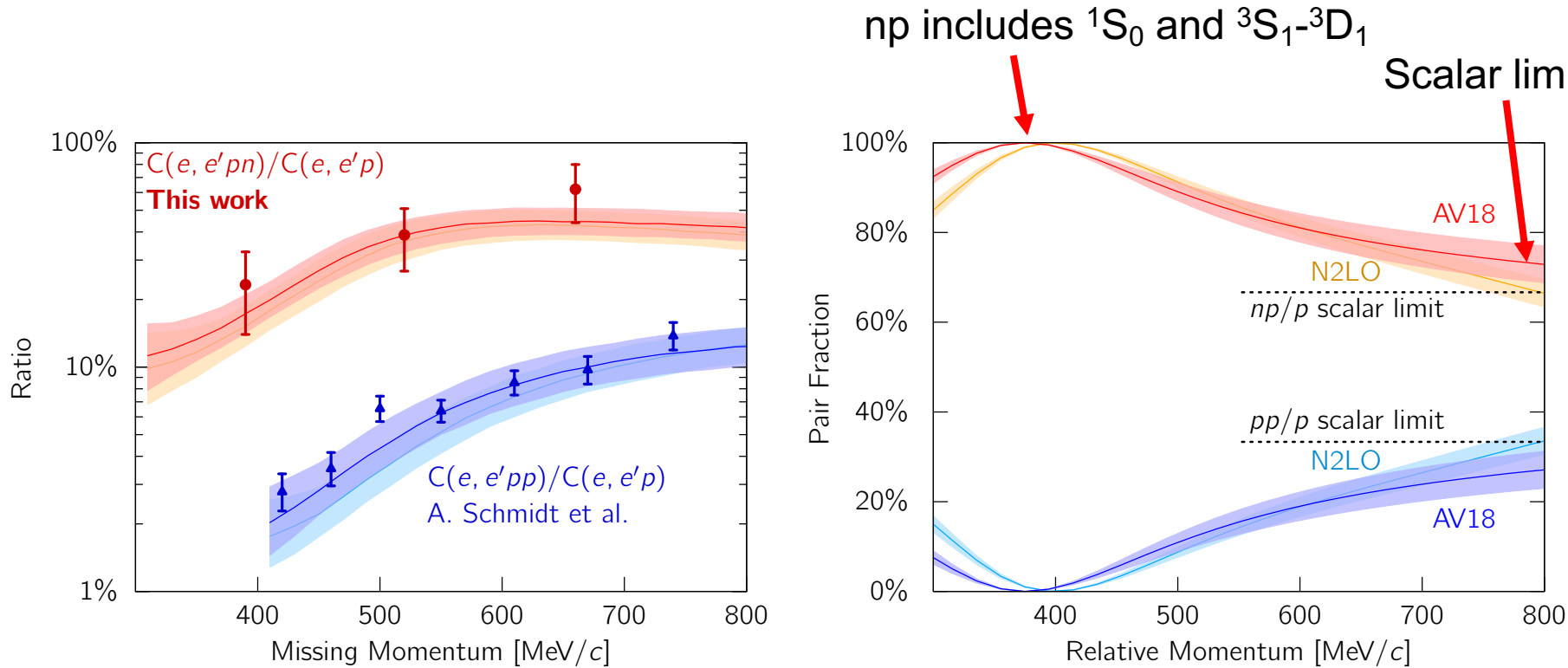
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- High momentum behavior is characterized by 2-body $|F_\lambda^{hi}(q)|^2$ which cancels leaving ratio of mean-field (low- k) physics
- Good agreement with a_2 values from experiment³ and LCA calculations⁴ using two different EDFs
- Error bars from varying Δq^{high}

a_2 scale factors using single-nucleon momentum distributions under HF+LDA (SLy4 in red¹, Gogny² in blue) with AV18 and $\lambda = 1.35 \text{ fm}^{-1}$ compared to experimental values³. Figure from AJT et al., Phys. Rev. C **104**, 034311 (2021).

SRC phenomenology



- At high RG resolution, the tensor force and the repulsive core of the NN interaction kicks nucleon pairs into SRCs
- np dominates because the tensor force requires spin triplet pairs, whereas pp are spin singlets
- Do we describe this physics at low RG resolution?

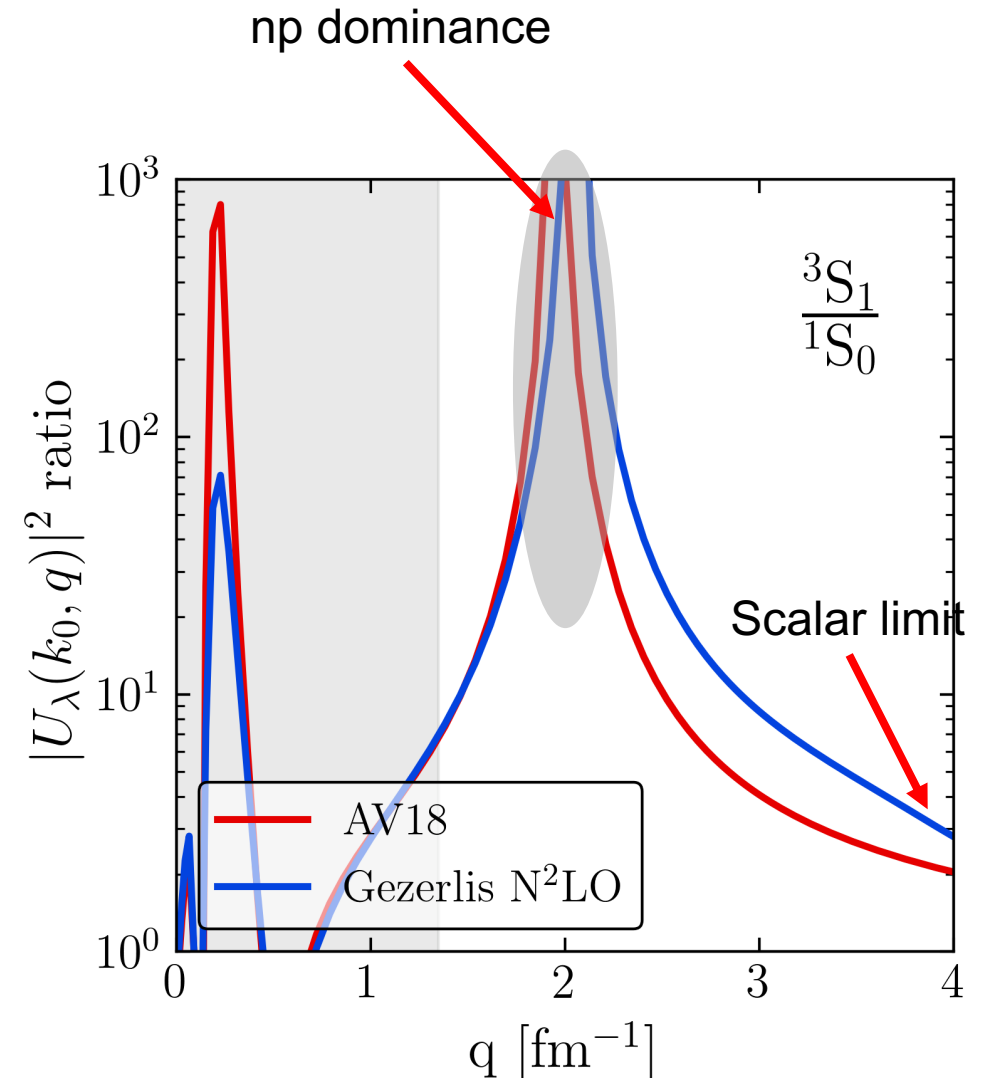
(a) Ratio of two-nucleon to single-nucleon electron-scattering cross sections for carbon as a function of missing momentum. (b) Fraction of np to p and pp to p pairs versus the relative momentum. Figure from CLAS collaboration publication¹.

SRC phenomenology

- At **low RG resolution**, SRCs are suppressed in the wave function and shifted into the operator

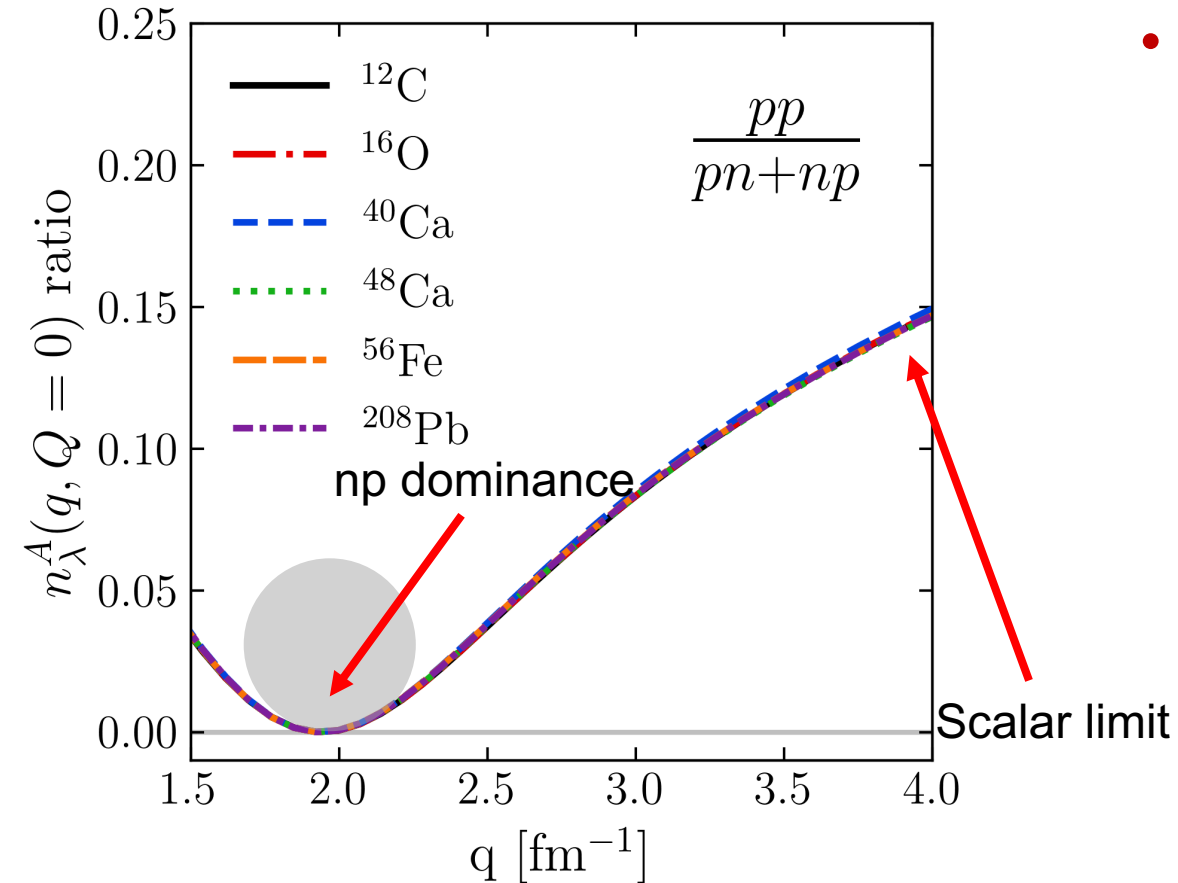
$$\hat{n}^{lo}(\mathbf{q}) = \hat{U}_\lambda a_{\mathbf{q}}^\dagger a_{\mathbf{q}} \hat{U}_\lambda^\dagger = U_\lambda(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}) U_\lambda^\dagger(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{k}')$$

- Take ratio of 3S_1 and 1S_0 SRG transformations fixing low-momenta to $k_0 = 0.1 \text{ fm}^{-1}$
- **This physics is established in the 2-body system – can apply to any nucleus!**



3S_1 to 1S_0 ratio of SRG-evolved momentum projection operators $a_{\mathbf{q}}^\dagger a_{\mathbf{q}}$ where $\lambda = 1.35 \text{ fm}^{-1}$. Figure from AJT et al., Phys. Rev. C **104**, 034311 (2021).

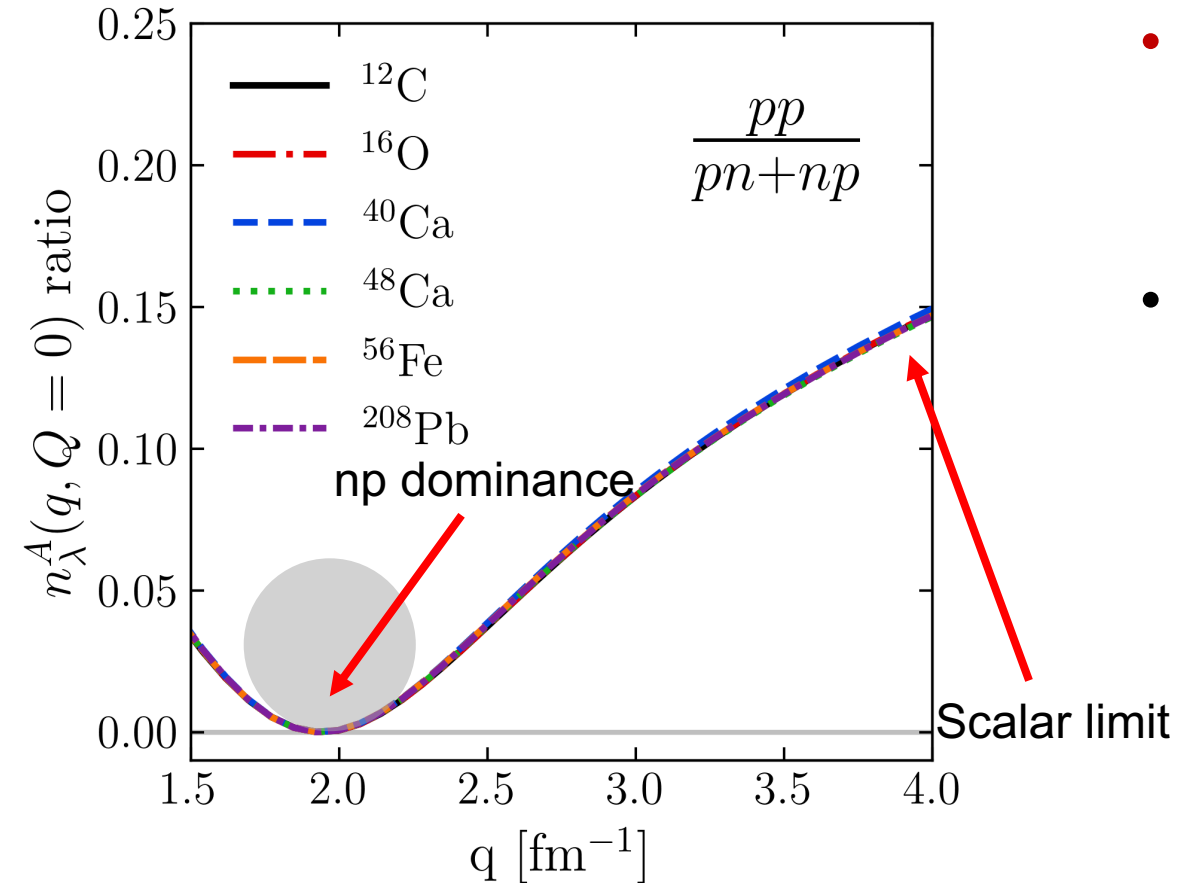
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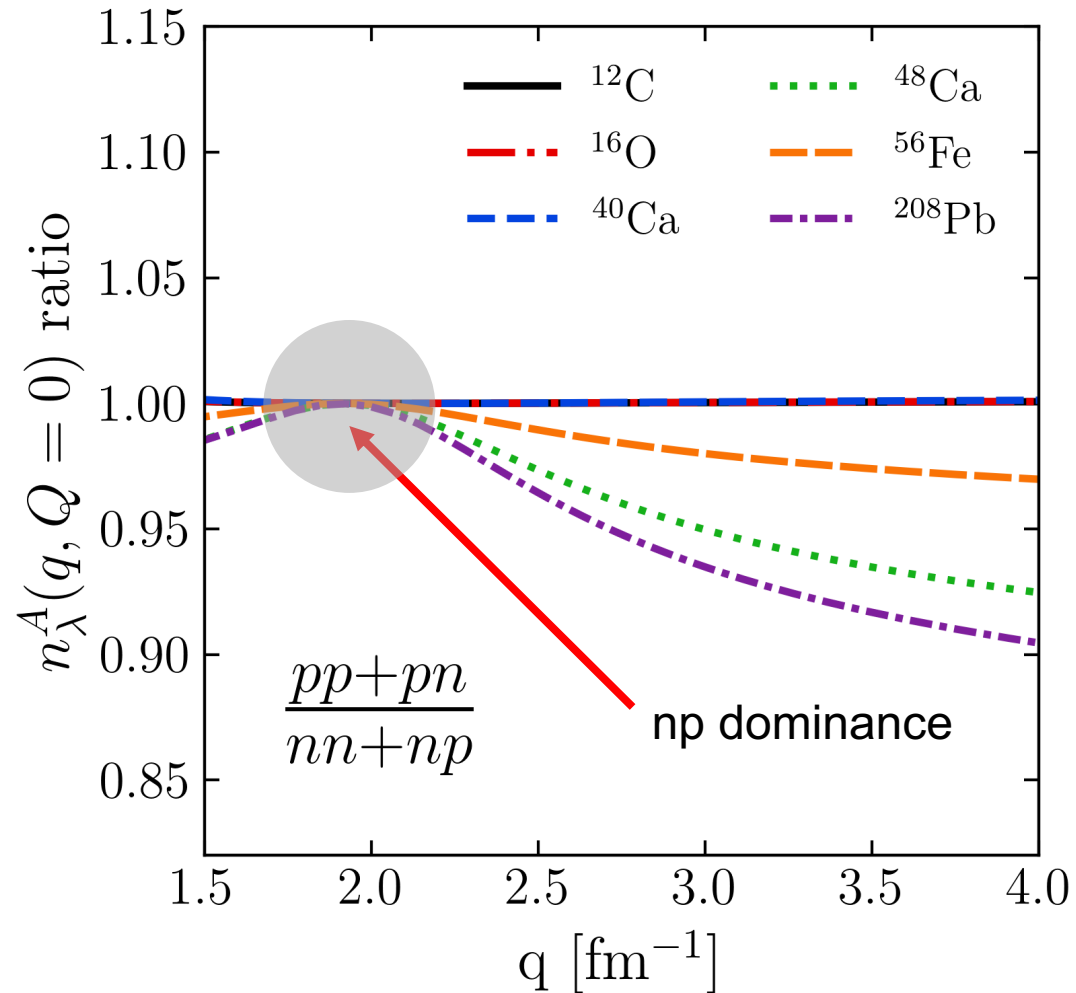


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- Weak nucleus dependence from factorization

$$\text{Ratio} \approx \frac{|F_{pp}^{hi}(q)|^2}{|F_{np}^{hi}(q)|^2} \times \frac{\langle \Psi_{\lambda}^A | \sum_{k,k'}^{\lambda} a_{\frac{Q}{2}+k}^{\dagger} a_{\frac{Q}{2}-k}^{\dagger} a_{\frac{Q}{2}-k'} a_{\frac{Q}{2}+k'} | \Psi_{\lambda}^A \rangle}{\langle \Psi_{\lambda}^A | \sum_{k,k'}^{\lambda} a_{\frac{Q}{2}+k}^{\dagger} a_{\frac{Q}{2}-k}^{\dagger} a_{\frac{Q}{2}-k'} a_{\frac{Q}{2}+k'} | \Psi_{\lambda}^A \rangle}$$

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- Ratio ~ 1 independent of N/Z in np dominant region
- Ratio < 1 for nuclei where $N > Z$ and outside np dominant region