

# Chiral effective field theory for electromagnetic currents and form factors

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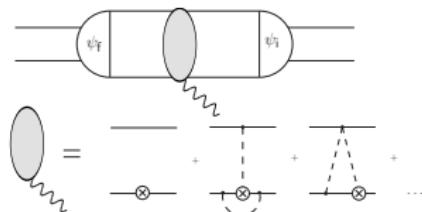
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# Motivation/Framework

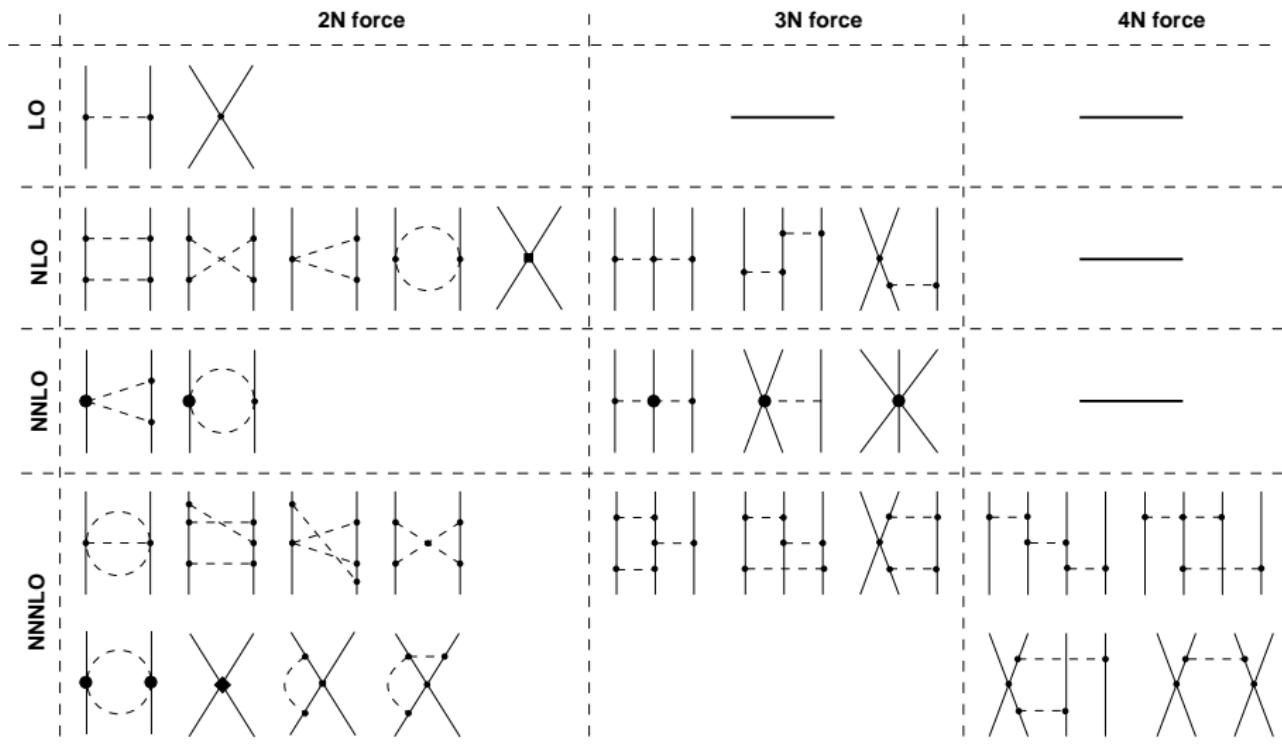
- Application of chiral EFT to the few-nucleon sector → **success!**
- Extend formalism to cover **electromagnetic observables**.
- In this talk, look at **magnetic moment** of the deuteron and the charge ff of  $^3\text{He}$ .



- Treat em-interaction as perturbation
- Convolute between wave-functions, obtained from **chiral potentials**.

- Define effective potential with  $V_{\text{eff}}$  **unitary transformation** *Okubo'57*
- Calculate  $V_{\text{eff}}$  by a chiral expansion order by order.
- Solve Lippmann-Schwinger equation for  $V_{\text{eff}}$  with **different cutoffs**  $\Lambda \sim 400 - 700 \text{ MeV}$ .
- Unitary transformation ensures that only the **irreducible part** of a diagram is iterated.
- Define effective current  $\eta J_{\text{eff}}\eta = \eta U^\dagger J U \eta, \rightarrow \text{CE}: \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{J}_{\text{eff}} = -i[V_{\text{eff}}, \rho]$ .

# Chiral potential schematically



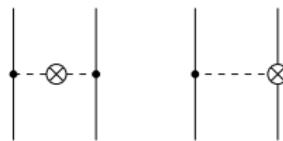
# Current operators

- Expansion of the current operator starts with **single nucleon current**.

$$\vec{J}_{\text{SN}} = F_1(q^2) \times (\vec{p} + \vec{q}/2) / m_N + \frac{i}{2m_N} G_M(q^2) [\vec{\sigma} \times \vec{q}]$$

- In principle, the single nucleon form factors  $F$  and  $G$  can be calculated in chiral EFT.
- Limits our description of few-nucleon observables.
- We use the parameterization of **Belushkin, Hammer, Mei $\beta$ nner** instead.
- Leading-order **two-nucleon currents**:

LO contribution:



$$\vec{J}_{1\pi}^{(1)} = e \frac{g_A^2 i}{4F_\pi^2} [\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2]^3 \left[ \vec{\sigma}_1 \frac{\vec{q} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_1}{q_1^2 + M_\pi^2} \frac{\vec{q}_2 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2}{q_2^2 + M_\pi^2} + \vec{\sigma}_2 \frac{(\vec{q}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_1)}{q_1^2 + M_\pi^2} \right] + (1 \leftrightarrow 2)$$

# Contact currents

- NLO contributions to the **two-nucleon** current:



$$J_C^{(3)} = -ieL_1 \left( \tau_1^3 - \tau_2^3 \right) \left[ \vec{k} \times (\vec{\sigma}_1 - \vec{\sigma}_2) \right] + ieL_2 \left[ (\vec{q}_1 - \vec{q}_2) \times (\vec{\sigma}_1 - \vec{\sigma}_2) \right],$$

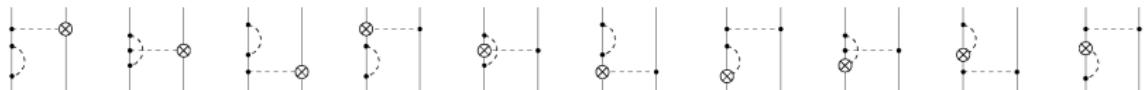
$$\begin{aligned} J_{NN}^{(3)} = & i[\vec{r}_1 \times \vec{r}_2]^3 \left\{ (C_2 + 3C_4 + C_7) \frac{e}{16} (\vec{q}_1 - \vec{q}_2) - (-C_2 + C_4 + C_7) \frac{e}{16} (\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2) (\vec{q}_1 - \vec{q}_2) \right. \\ & \left. + C_7 \frac{e}{16} (\vec{\sigma}_1 (\vec{q}_1 - \vec{q}_2) \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2 + \vec{\sigma}_2 (\vec{q}_1 - \vec{q}_2) \cdot \vec{\sigma}_1) \right\} + C_5 i \frac{e}{16} \left( \tau_1^3 - \tau_2^3 \right) [(\vec{q}_1 - \vec{q}_2) \times (\vec{\sigma}_1 + \vec{\sigma}_2)]. \end{aligned}$$

# NLO One-pion exchange

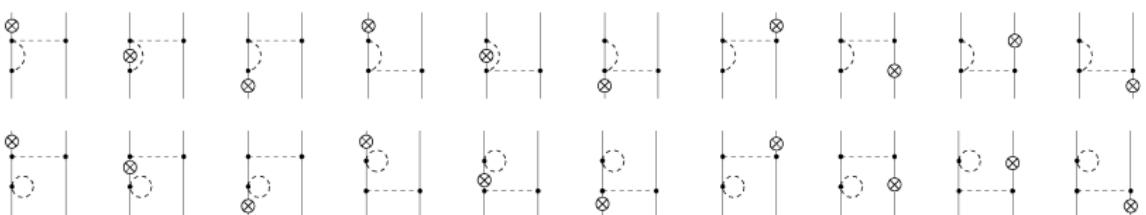
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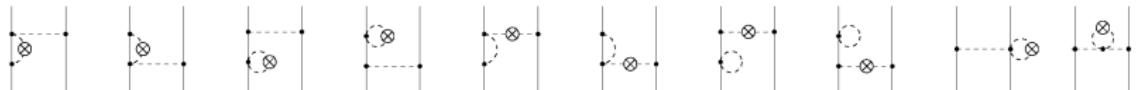
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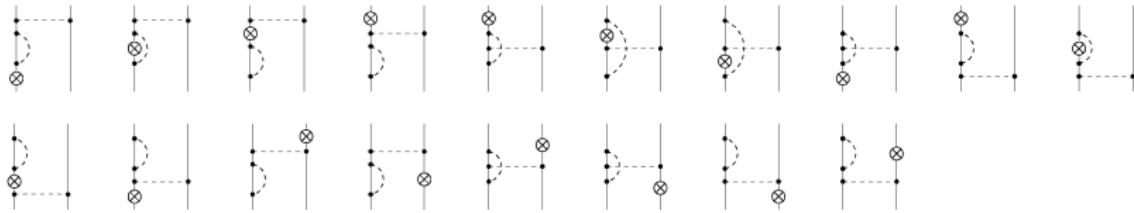


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# NLO One-pion exchange Ctd.

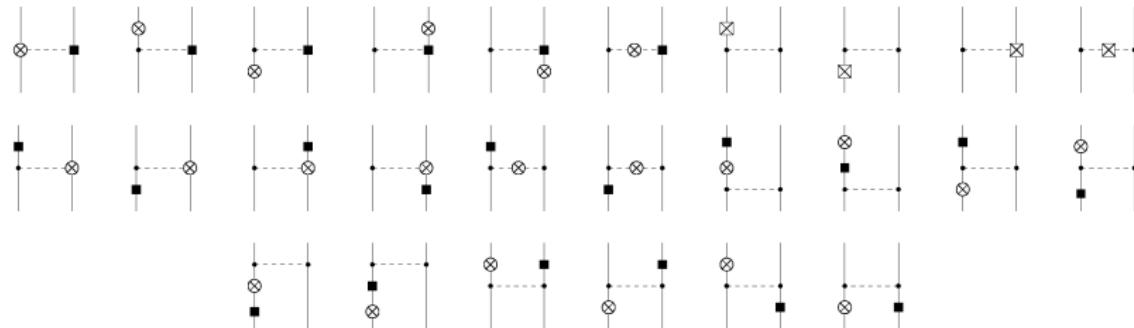
Class 6:



Class 7:



Counterterms:



# Results NLO One-pion exchange

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_{\text{LEC}}^{(3)} = & -2e \frac{g_A i}{F_\pi^2} \left( d_8 \tau_2^3 + d_9 (\vec{\tau}_1 \cdot \vec{\tau}_2) \right) \frac{\vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot \vec{q}_2}{q_2^2 + M_\pi^2} [\vec{q}_2 \times \vec{q}] + e \frac{g_A i}{4F_\pi^2} [\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2]^3 \left\{ (2d_{21} - d_{22}) \frac{\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{q}_1}{q_1^2 + M_\pi^2} [\vec{q} \times [\vec{q}_1 \times \vec{\sigma}_2]] \right. \\
 & + d_{22} \frac{\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{q}_1}{q_1^2 + M_\pi^2} \left( \vec{k} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot \vec{k} - \vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot k^2 \right) + \vec{\sigma}_2 \frac{(\vec{q}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_1)}{q_1^2 + M_\pi^2} [-4M_\pi^2 d_{18}] \\
 & \left. + \vec{q}_1 \frac{\vec{q} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_1}{q_1^2 + M_\pi^2} \frac{\vec{q}_2 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2}{q_2^2 + M_\pi^2} \left[ -4M_\pi^2 d_{18} + g_A k^2 l_6 - g_A l_6 (q_1^2 - q_2^2) \right] \right\} + (1 \leftrightarrow 2).
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_{1\pi, \text{Loop}}^{(3)} = & -e \frac{i g_A^4}{64 F_\pi^4 \pi^2} [\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2]^3 \frac{\vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot \vec{q}_2}{q_2^2 + M_\pi^2} [\vec{q} \times [\vec{q}_2 \times \vec{\sigma}_1]] (2L(q) - 1) \\
 & + e \frac{i g_A^4}{1536 F_\pi^4 \pi^2} [\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2]^3 \frac{\vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot \vec{q}_2}{q_2^2 + M_\pi^2} \frac{\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{q}_1}{q_1^2 + M_\pi^2} (\vec{q}_1 - \vec{q}_2) \left[ (4M_\pi^2 + q^2)L(q) - \frac{1}{6}(5q^2 + 24M_\pi^2) \right] \\
 & + e \frac{i g_A^4}{768 F_\pi^4 \pi^2 q^2} [\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2]^3 \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{q}_1 \vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot \vec{q}_2 (\vec{q}_1 + \vec{q}_2) \frac{1}{q_2^2 + M_\pi^2} \left( (4M_\pi^2 + q^2)L(q) - \frac{1}{6}(5k^2 + 24M_\pi^2) \right) \\
 & + (1 \leftrightarrow 2),
 \end{aligned}$$

with

$$L(q) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sqrt{4M_\pi^2 + q^2}}{q} \log \left( \frac{\sqrt{4M_\pi^2 + q^2} + q}{\sqrt{4M_\pi^2 + q^2} - q} \right).$$

- Only the LECs  $d_9$  and  $L_1$  contribute to  $D$  the magnetic moment!

# NLO One-pion exchange with contact interactions

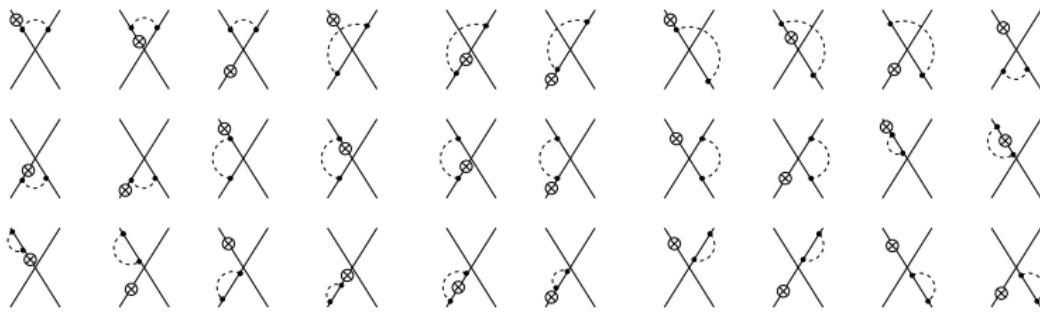
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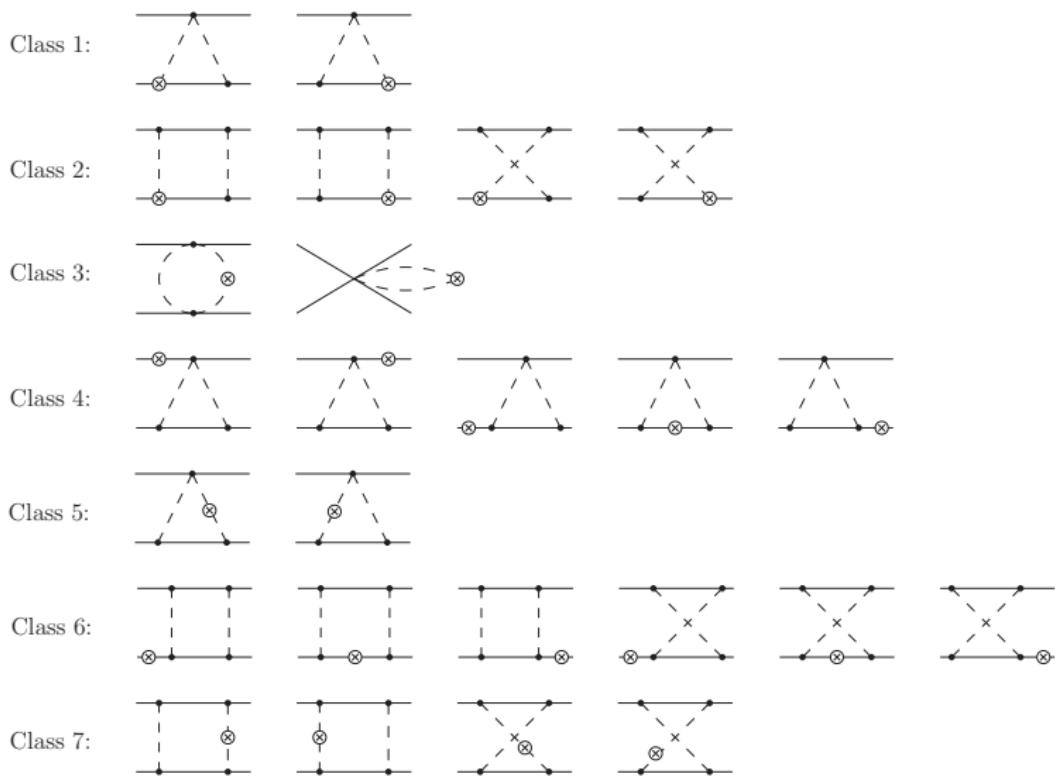


Class 13:



- There is no contribution to the current.
- However, there is a contribution to the charge density.

# Two-Pion exchange currents

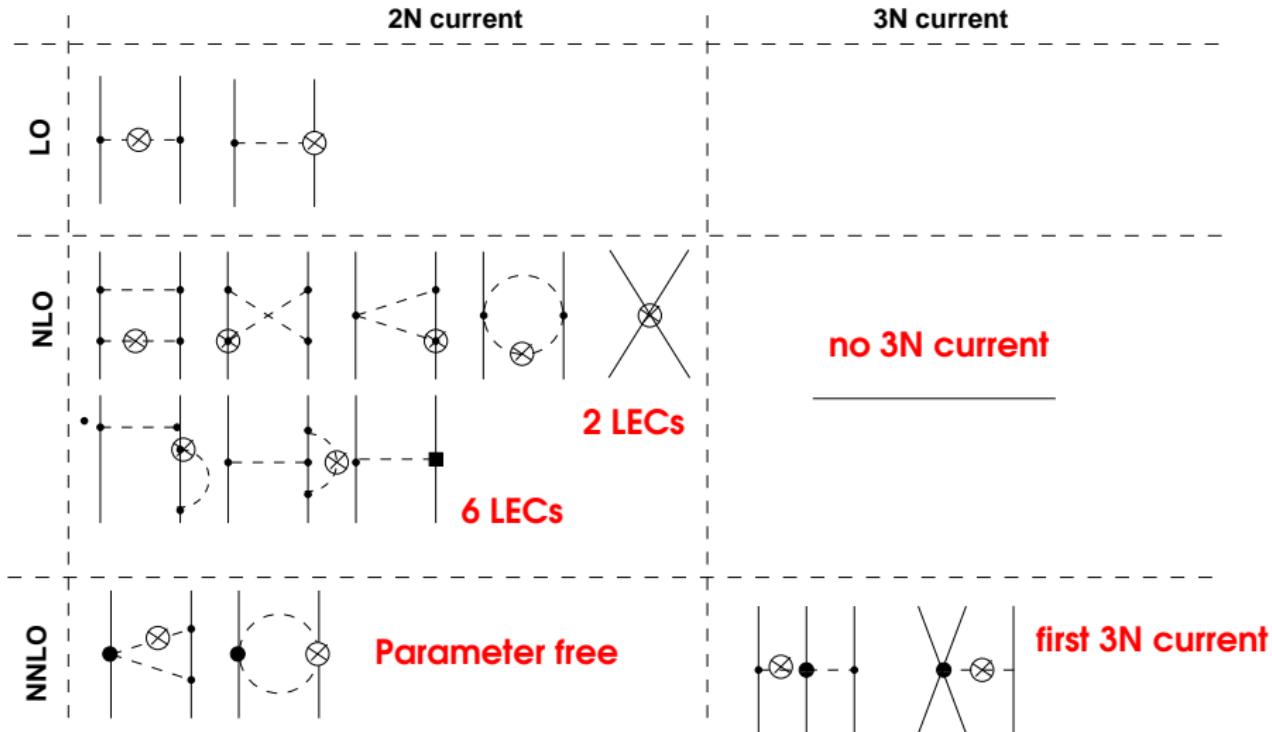


# Two-Pion exchange currents in configuration-space

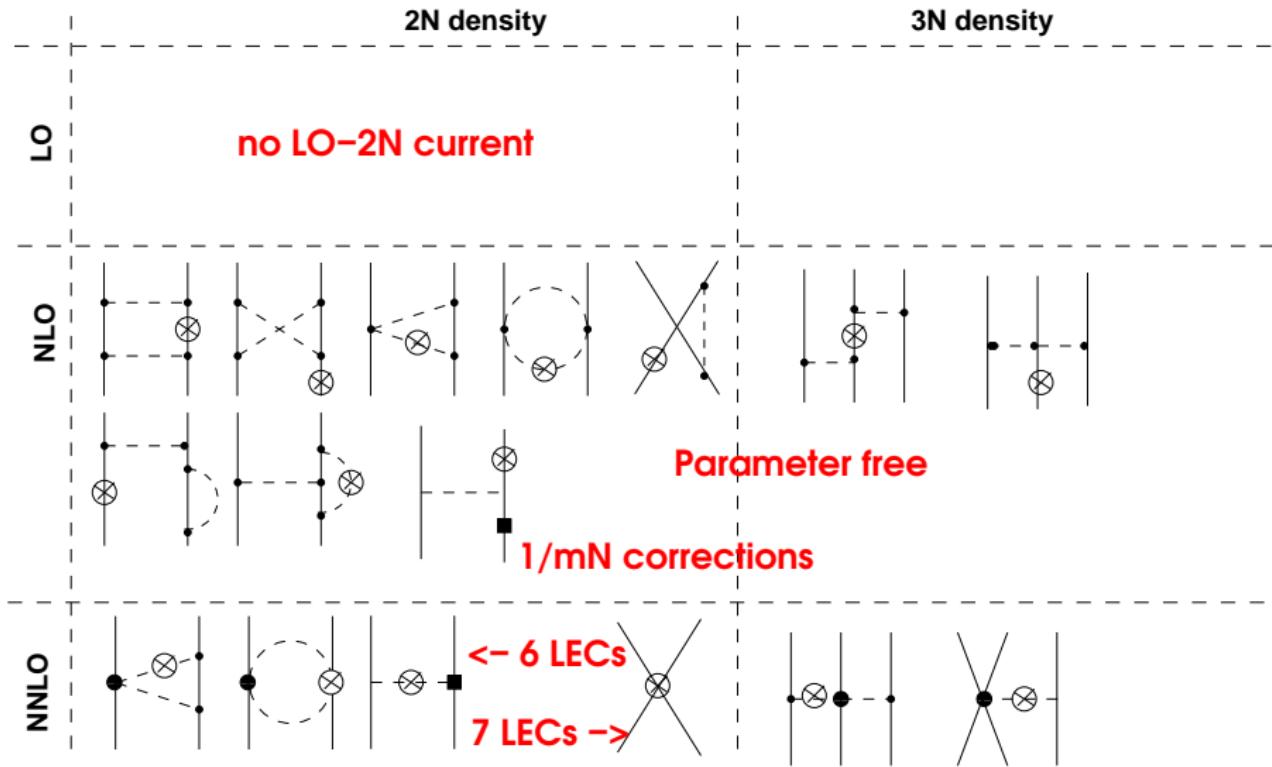
$$\begin{aligned}
J_{c1}(\vec{r}_{10}, \vec{r}_{20}) &= e \frac{g_A^2 M_\pi^7}{128\pi^3 F_\pi^4} \left[ \vec{\nabla}_{10} [\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2]^3 + 2 [\vec{\nabla}_{10} \times \vec{\sigma}_2] \tau_1^3 \right] \delta(\vec{x}_{20}) \frac{K_1(2x_{10})}{x_{10}^2} + (1 \leftrightarrow 2), \\
J_{c2}(\vec{r}_{10}, \vec{r}_{20}) &= -e \frac{g_A^4 M_\pi^7}{256\pi^3 F_\pi^4} \left( 3\nabla_{10}^2 - 8 \right) \left[ \vec{\nabla}_{10} [\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2]^3 + 2 [\vec{\nabla}_{10} \times \vec{\sigma}_2] \tau_1^3 \right] \delta(\vec{x}_{20}) \frac{K_0(2x_{10})}{x_{10}} \\
&\quad + e \frac{g_A^4 M_\pi^7}{32\pi^3 F_\pi^4} [\vec{\nabla}_{10} \times \vec{\sigma}_2] \tau_2^3 \delta(\vec{x}_{20}) \frac{K_1(2x_{10})}{x_{10}^2} + (1 \leftrightarrow 2), \\
J_{c3}(\vec{r}_{10}, \vec{r}_{20}) &= -e \frac{M_\pi^7}{512\pi^4 F_\pi^4} [\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2]^3 (\vec{\nabla}_{10} - \vec{\nabla}_{20}) \frac{K_2(x_{10} + x_{20} + x_{12})}{(x_{10} x_{20} x_{12})(x_{10} + x_{20} + x_{12})} + (1 \leftrightarrow 2), \\
J_{c5}(\vec{r}_{10}, \vec{r}_{20}) &= -e \frac{g_A^2 M_\pi^7}{256\pi^4 F_\pi^4} (\vec{\nabla}_{10} - \vec{\nabla}_{20}) \left[ [\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2]^3 \vec{\nabla}_{12} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_{20} - 2\tau_1^3 \vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot [\vec{\nabla}_{12} \times \vec{\nabla}_{20}] \right] \\
&\quad \times \frac{K_1(x_{10} + x_{20} + x_{12})}{(x_{10} x_{20} x_{12})} + (1 \leftrightarrow 2), \\
J_{c7}(\vec{r}_{10}, \vec{r}_{20}) &= e \frac{g_A^4 M_\pi^7}{512\pi^4 F_\pi^4} (\vec{\nabla}_{10} - \vec{\nabla}_{20}) \left[ [\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2]^3 \vec{\nabla}_{12} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_{10} \vec{\nabla}_{12} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_{20} + 4\tau_2^3 \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot [\vec{\nabla}_{12} \times \vec{\nabla}_{10}] \right. \\
&\quad \left. \times \vec{\nabla}_{12} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_{20} \right] \frac{x_{10} + x_{20} + x_{12}}{x_{10} x_{20} x_{12}} K_0(x_{10} + x_{20} + x_{12}) + (1 \leftrightarrow 2) \\
J_{c4}(\vec{r}_{10}, \vec{r}_{20}) &= J_{c6}(\vec{r}_{10}, \vec{r}_{20}) = 0,
\end{aligned}$$

with  $\vec{r}_{1/2/0}$  the positions of the first/second nucleon/the photon, and  $\vec{x}_{10} = M_\pi (\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_0)$ ,  $\vec{x}_{20} = M_\pi (\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_0)$ ,  $\vec{x}_{12} = M_\pi (\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2)$  and  $\vec{\nabla}_{ij} \equiv \partial/\partial x_{ij}$  and  $x_{ij} \equiv |\vec{x}_{ij}|$ . All derivatives have to be evaluated as if the variables were independent.

# Currents schematically



# Charge density schematically



# Elastic Electron deuteron scattering experiment

Spin-1 nucleus → three structures

$$\langle \vec{P}', i | \rho | \vec{P}, j \rangle = |e| \left[ G_C(q^2) \delta_{ij} + \frac{1}{2} G_Q(q^2) \left( \vec{q}_i \vec{q}_j - \frac{1}{3} q^2 \delta_{ij} \right) \right] \quad G_C(0) = 1,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \vec{P}', i | J_k | \vec{P}, j \rangle &= \frac{|e|}{2M_d} \left[ G_C(q^2) \delta_{ij} (\vec{P} + \vec{P}')_k + G_M(q^2) (\delta_{jk} \vec{q}_i - \delta_{ik} \vec{q}_j) \frac{m_N}{M_d} G_M(0) = \mu_d = 0.857 \mu_N, \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{2} G_Q(q^2) \left( \vec{q}_i \vec{q}_j - \frac{1}{3} q^2 \delta_{ij} \right) (\vec{P} + \vec{P}')_k \right] \quad G_Q(0) = Q_d = 0.286 \text{ fm}^2, \end{aligned}$$

Experiment:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{\text{Mott}} [A(q^2) + B(q^2) \tan^2(\vartheta_e/2)], \quad T_{20}(q^2, \vartheta_e)$$

$$A = G_C^2 + \frac{2}{3}\eta G_M^2 + \frac{8}{9}\eta^2 M_d^2 G_Q^2, \quad B = \frac{4}{3}\eta(1+\eta)G_M^2,$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{20} &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{A + B \tan(\vartheta_e/2)} \left[ \frac{8}{3}\eta G_C G_Q + \frac{8}{9}\eta^2 G_Q^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{3}\eta (1+2(1+\eta)\tan^2(\vartheta_e/2)) G_M^2 \right], \end{aligned}$$

# Elastic Electron deuteron scattering theory

Compute form factors by (in the Breit frame):

$$G_C = \frac{1}{3|e|} (\langle 1|\rho|1\rangle + \langle 0|\rho|0\rangle + \langle -1|\rho|-1\rangle) ,$$

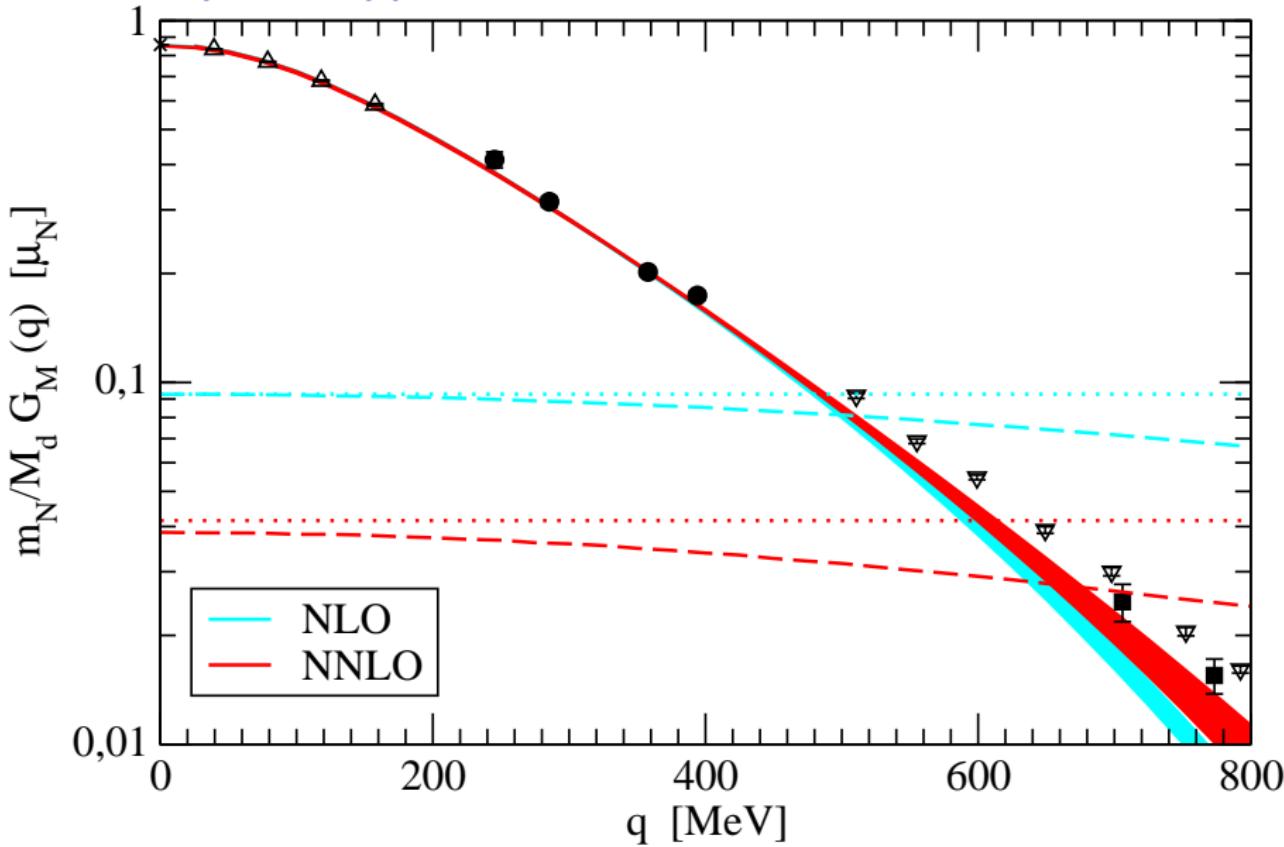
$$G_Q = \frac{1}{|e| q^2} (\langle 0|\rho|0\rangle - \langle 1|\rho|1\rangle) , \quad G_M = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\eta}|e|} \langle 1|J^+|0\rangle , \quad \eta = \frac{q^2}{4M_d^2} ,$$
$$J^+ = J^1 + iJ^2 .$$

- in the following, we will concentrate on  $G_M \Rightarrow \mathcal{J}$ .
- IA-contribution given by:

$$\Rightarrow G_M \propto |e| \sum_{m_1, m_2, m'_1, m'_2} \int d^3 p \psi_{m'_1, m'_2}^*(\vec{p} + \vec{q}/2) \psi_{m_1, m_2}(\vec{p}) J_{m'_1, m'_2, m_1, m_2, \text{SN}}^+$$

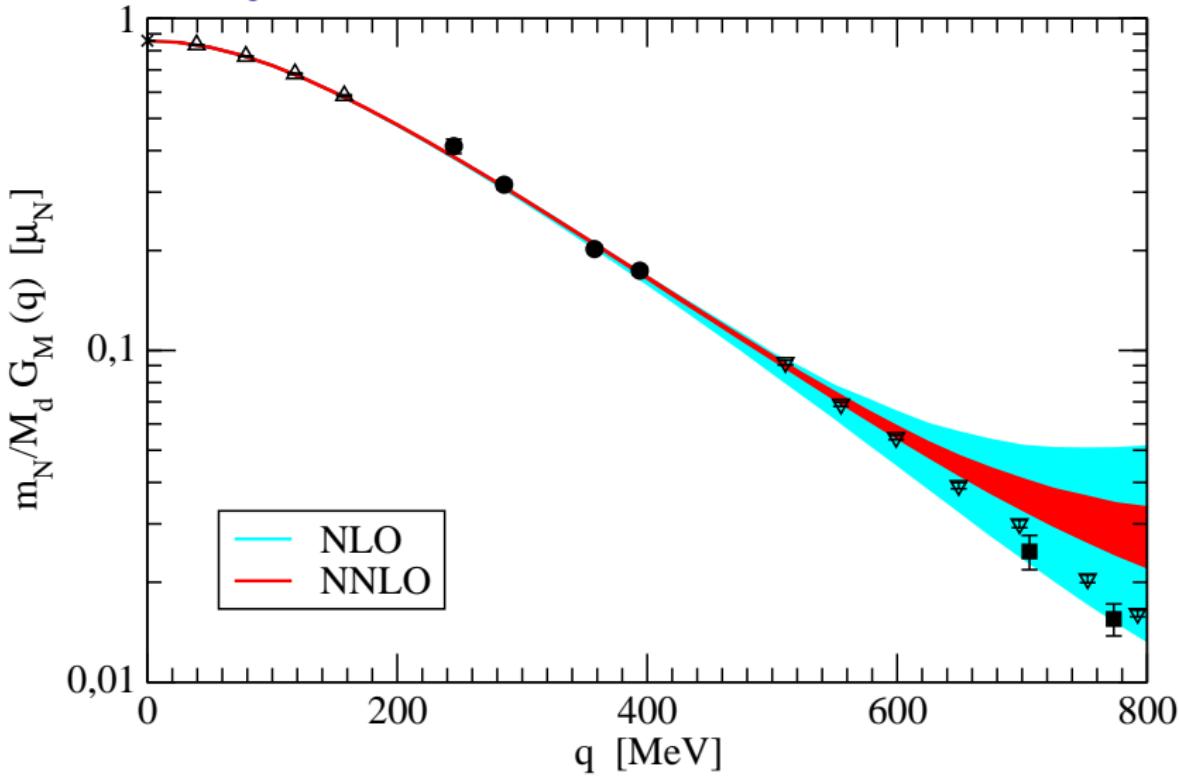
- with single nucleon form factors  $F$  and  $G$ .

# $G_M$ in Impulse Approximation



dotted:  $L_1$  contribution, dashed:  $d_0$  contribution Data: Sick, Simon et al., Auffret et al., Cramer et. al.

# $G_M$ with adjusted LECs



# Elastic Electron $^3\text{He}$ scattering

Spin-1/2 nucleus  $\rightarrow$  two structures

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} &= \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{\text{Mott}} \frac{Z^2}{1 + (k_0/m_N)(1 - \cos(\vartheta_e))} \\ &\quad \times \left[ F_C^2 + \frac{q^2}{4m_N^2} F_M^2 (1 + \kappa) \left( 1 + 2 \left( 1 + \frac{q^2}{4m_N^2} \tan^2(\vartheta_e/2) \right) \right) \right] \frac{1}{1 + q^2/4m_N^2}, \\ F_C(0) &= 1 \quad F_M(0) = 1,\end{aligned}$$

with (in the Breit frame)

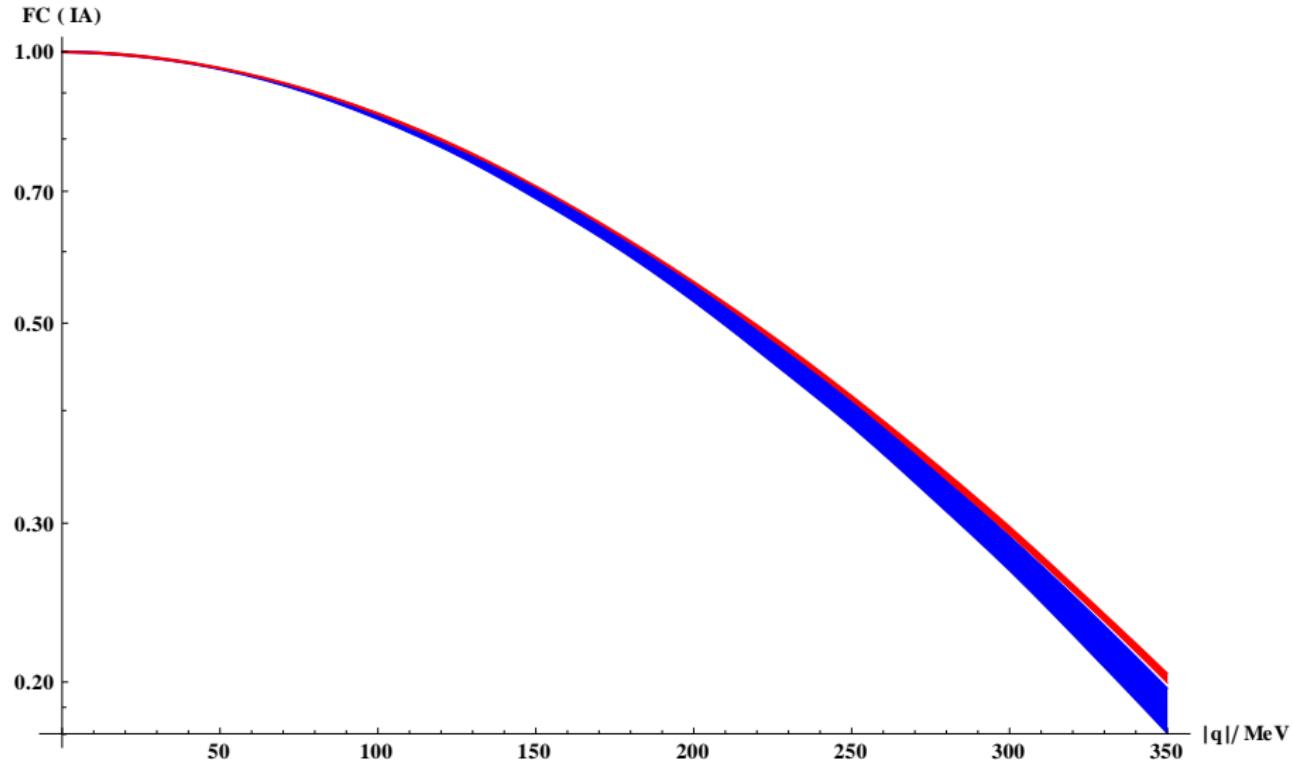
$$F_C(q^2) = \frac{1}{|e|} \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \left| \rho \right| \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle, \quad F_M(q^2) = \frac{m_N}{|e|q} \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \left| J^+ \right| -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle.$$

$F_C$  at NLO is free of LECs!

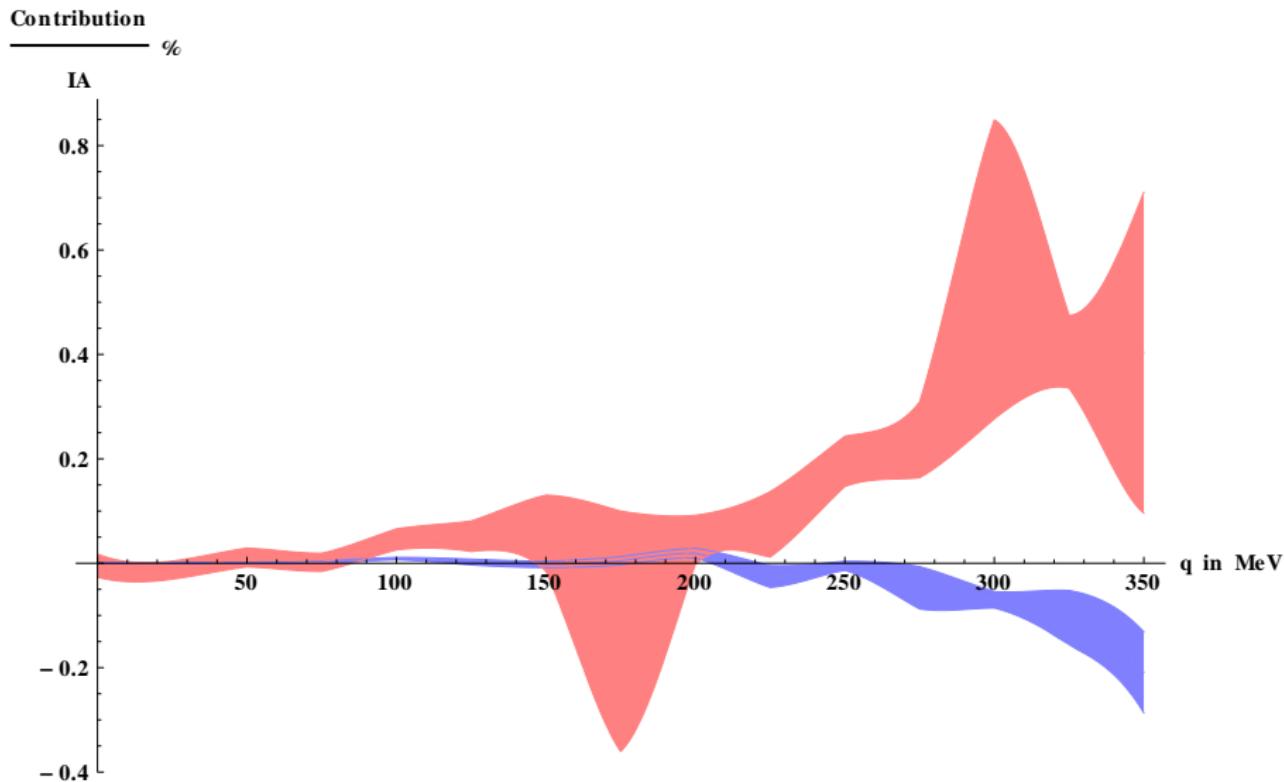
$$\begin{aligned}F_C^{\text{IA}} &= \sum_{\alpha_t, \alpha_s} \int d^3 p_{12} d^3 p_3 \psi^*(\vec{p}_{12}, \vec{p}_3 + 2\vec{q}/3, \alpha_t, \alpha_s) [G_E^N(q^2) + \tau_3^3 G_E^V(q^2)] \\ &\quad \times \psi(\vec{p}_{12}, \vec{p}_3, \alpha_t, \alpha_s)\end{aligned}$$

- With NLO two-nucleon currents  $\rightarrow$  9 dimensional integral.
- With NLO three-nucleon currents  $\rightarrow$  12 dimensional integral.
- Monte Carlo integration!

# IA for $F_C$ for ${}^3\text{He}$

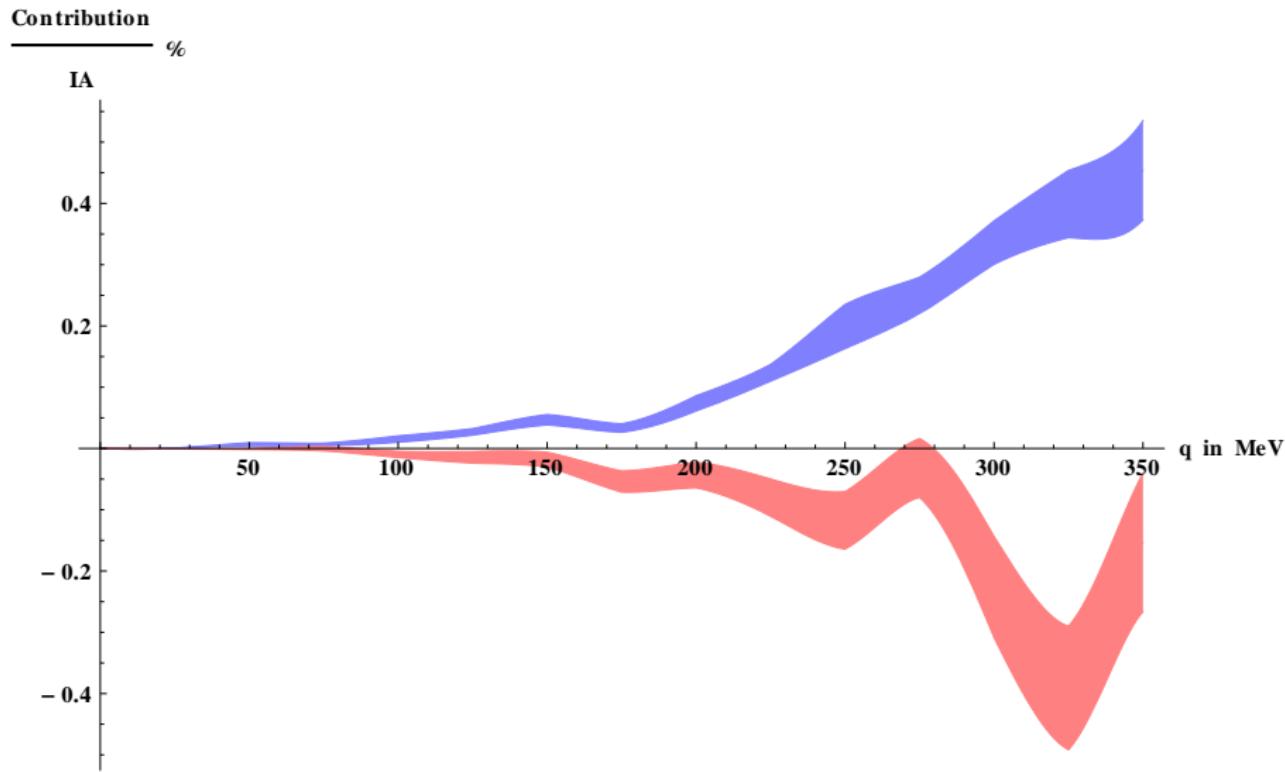


# Relative Contributions OPE vs. 3N current



Blue: OPE, Red: 3N current for one NLO-WF, error are statistical errors from MC-integration

# Relative Contributions TPE vs. Contact current



Blue: TPE, Red: Contact current for one NLO-WF, error are statistical errors from MC-integration

# Conclusion and outlook

## Summary

- Presented the whole two-nucleon current at NLO  $\vec{J}$  and sketched  $\rho$
- Only LECs  $L_2$  and  $d_9$  contribute to deuteron  $G_M$ .
- Presented calculations of **deuteron form-factor**, and started  ${}^3\text{He}$  charge form factor.
- → Resulting  $d_9 \approx -0.01 - 0.02 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ . In good agreement with **Pastore et. al '09**.
- The charge form factor of  ${}^3\text{He}$  is dominated by the IA. Higher order contributions are small and cancel each other.

## Outlook

- Complete calculation of form factors & other electromagnetic reactions of other few-nucleon systems.
- Determination of LECs by fitting to pion electro-production data off a single nucleon.
- Inclusion of  **$\Delta$ -degrees of freedom**
- Construction of a consistent **axial current** to describe **weak interactions**.
- Investigation of two-photon effects on the deuteron form factor.

Thank you!