

# Perturbative and non-perturbative aspects of renormalization and power counting in nucleon-nucleon interaction within chiral effective field theory

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# Outline

- LO interaction contains long- and short-range parts  
LO interaction is (close to) non-perturbative
- Power counting at LO: perturbative case
- NLO: perturbative renormalization
- Cutoff dependence
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- NLO: non-perturbative renormalization
- Summary

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“Perturbative” calculation of the S-matrix, spectrum, etc.

Expansion parameter: (soft scale)/(hard scale)  $Q = \frac{q}{\Lambda_b}$

$$q \in \{|\vec{p}|, M_{\pi}\}, \quad \Lambda_b \sim M_{\rho}$$

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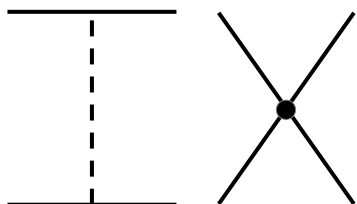
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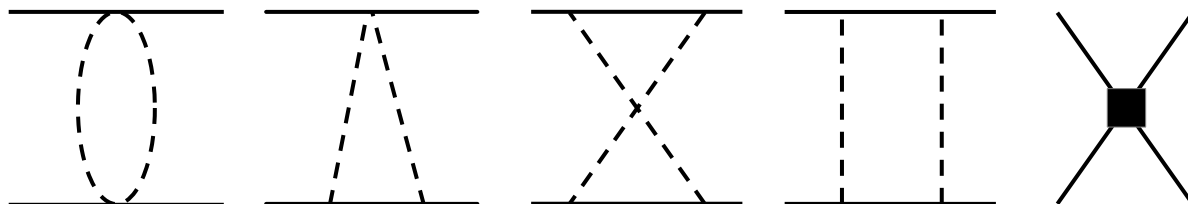
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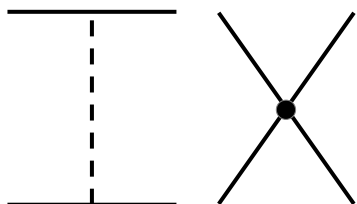
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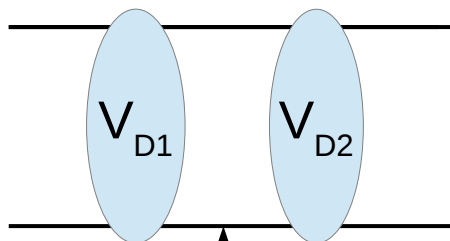
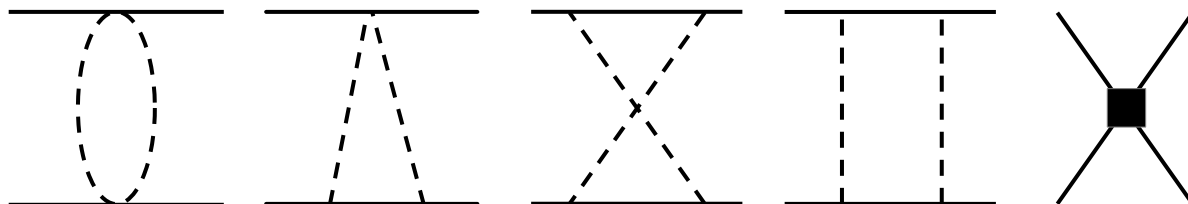
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$$\sim \frac{m_N q}{\Lambda_b^2} \sim 1$$

Enhancement due to the infrared singularity:  $V_0$  must be iterated

$$\begin{aligned} T_0 &= V_0 + V_0 G V_0 + V_0 G V_0 G V_0 + \dots \\ T_2 &= V_2 + V_2 G V_0 + V_0 G V_2 + V_2 G V_0 G V_0 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

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Consistent with power counting?

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Rigorously proved  
under rather general conditions on  $V_0$   
if  $T_0$  is perturbative  
(P-waves and higher except for  $^3P_0$ ):

$$T_0 = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} T_0^{[n]}$$

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Can be absorbed by LO contact interactions?

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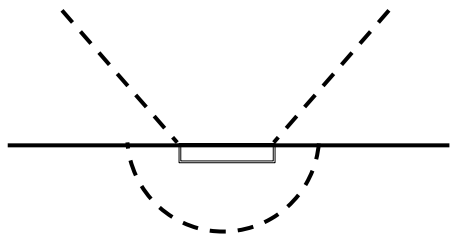
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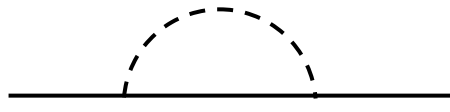

$$\sim \Delta \neq 1/\Delta$$
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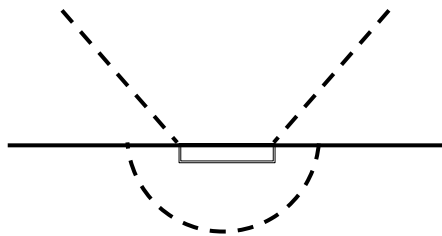
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Power counting and decoupling can be restored  
by renormalizing lower order LECs

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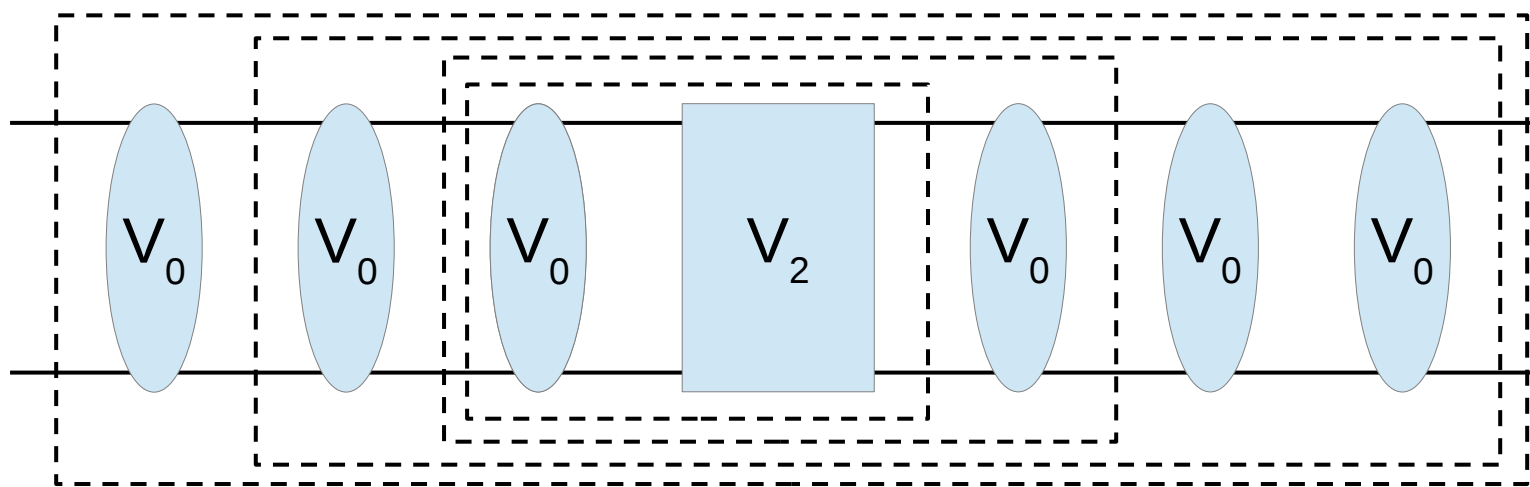
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Non-perturbative effects?

# Renormalization of NLO amplitude to arbitrary order in $V_0$ . BPHZ subtraction scheme

N. N. Bogoliubov, O. S. Parasiuk, **AM97**, 227 (1957); K. Hepp, **CMP2**, 301 (1966); W. Zimmermann, **CMP15**, 208 (1969)



Subtraction operation:

$$\mathbb{T}(X)(p', p, p_{\text{on}}) = X(p' = 0, p = 0, p_{\text{on}} = 0)$$

Renormalized amplitude  
(forest formula):

$$\mathbb{R}(T_2^{[m,n]}) = T_2^{[m,n]} + \sum_{U_k \in \mathcal{F}^{m,n}} \prod_{(m_i, n_i) \in U_k} (-\mathbb{T}^{m_i, n_i}) T_2^{[m,n]}$$

$$U_k = ((m_{k,1}, n_{k,1}), (m_{k,2}, n_{k,2}), \dots), \quad m \geq m_{k,i+1} \geq m_{k,i} \geq 0, \quad n \geq n_{k,i+1} \geq n_{k,i} \geq 0.$$

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# Cutoff dependence. Systematic study.

Regulated potential:

$$V_0 \equiv V_\Lambda = V_{\Lambda=\infty} + \delta V_\Lambda$$

Perturbative inclusion of

$$\delta V_\Lambda: \quad \delta T_2^\Lambda = (1 + T_0 G) \delta V_0^\Lambda (1 + G T_0) \sim \mathcal{O}(Q^0)$$

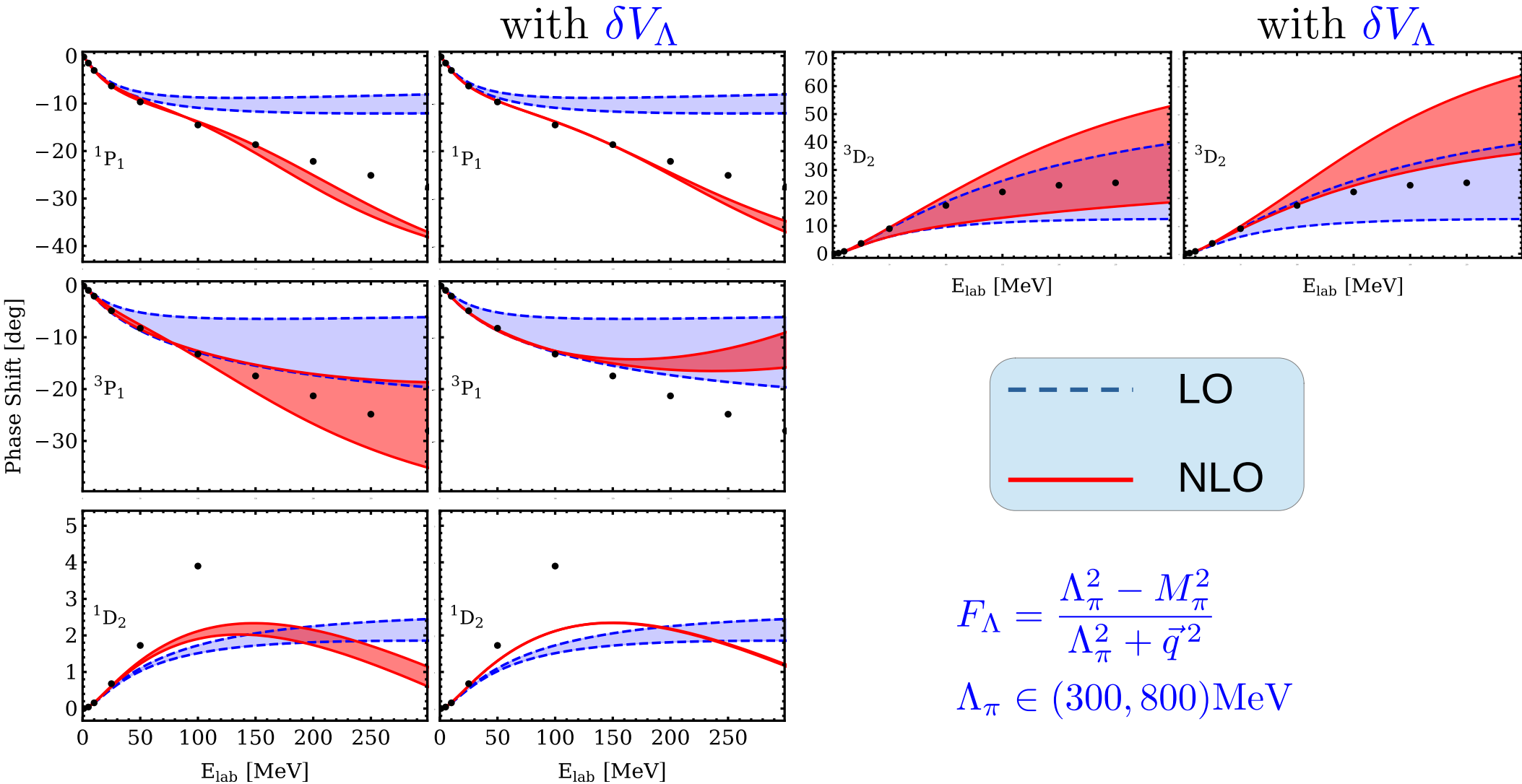
After renormalization:

$$\mathbb{R}(\delta T_2^\Lambda) \sim \mathcal{O}(Q^2)$$

Removing  $\Lambda$ -dependence perturbatively

# Cutoff dependence: P and D-waves. Uncoupled perturbative channels

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Cutoff dependence with  $\delta V_\Lambda$  is weaker

# S-waves. Non-perturbative LO. Fredholm formula

$$T_0 = V_0 R = \bar{R} V_0 \quad R = \frac{1}{\mathbb{1} - G V_0} = \frac{N}{D}, \quad \bar{R} = \frac{1}{\mathbb{1} - V_0 G} = \frac{\bar{N}}{D}$$

Convergent series in  $V_0$ :

$$N = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} N_i, \quad D = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} D_i$$

(Quasi-) bound state:

$$D(p) \sim \frac{p}{M_\pi}$$

Enhancement at threshold:

$$T_0(p) = \frac{N_0(p)}{D(p)} \sim \mathcal{O}(M_\pi/p)$$

$$\text{For } p > M_\pi : T_0(p) \sim \mathcal{O}(Q^0)$$

# NLO. Using Fredholm formula.

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$$\mathbb{R}(T_2)(p=0) = 0$$

# Non-perturbative NLO. Renormalizability.

## Constraints on $V_0$

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The same constraints apply to the cutoff dependence



# Summary

- ✓ We considered NN Chiral EFT (LO is nonperturbative and contains long- and short-range contributions) with a finite cutoff at NLO
- ✓ Power-counting breaking contributions at NLO can be absorbed by the renormalization of the LO contact interactions for perturbative LO under rather general conditions
- ✓ In the case of non-perturbative LO, the requirement of renormalizability imposes certain constraints on the LO potential