

Structure Contributions to the Deuterium Lamb Shift in Chiral EFT

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Overview

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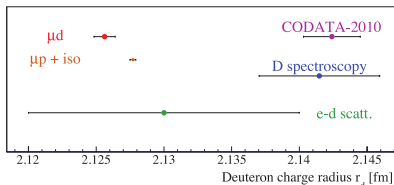
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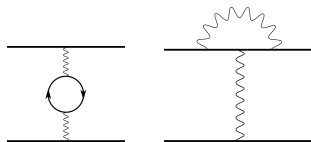
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Can obtain charge radius from S-P splitting, *if other contributions are understood*

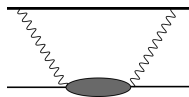
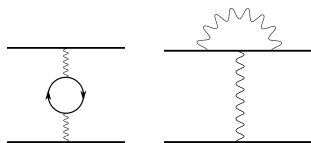
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- Structure effects are significant in deuterium
- Leading source of theoretical uncertainty in muonic deuterium spectroscopy



$$\Delta E_{nl} = \frac{2\mu^3\alpha^4}{3n^3} \langle r_E^2 \rangle + \delta_{QED} + \delta_{TPE}$$

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- Consistent treatment of nuclear and nucleon-level effects in same framework
- Simple formalism and treatment of nuclear physics
- Systematic calculation from chiral EFT (if a chiral potential is used)

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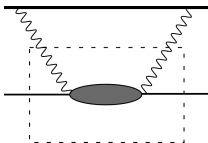


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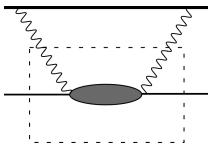


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Compton tensor

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \frac{i}{3} \sum_{\lambda} \int d^4\xi e^{iq \cdot \xi} \langle d, \lambda | T \{ j^{\mu}(\xi) j^{\nu}(0) \} | d, \lambda \rangle.$$

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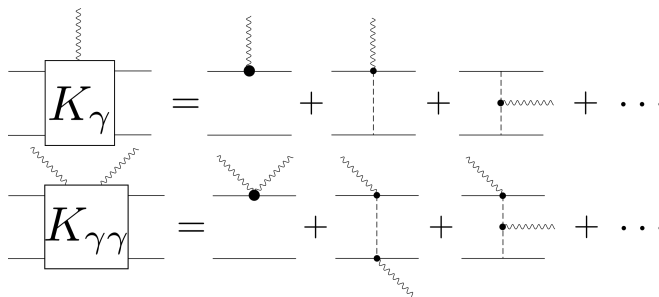
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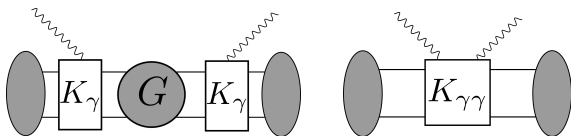
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Method of calculation

- Solve Schrödinger equation with N-N potential for wave function and full Green's function
- Calculate electromagnetic N-N current operators in chiral EFT
- Stitch together to give Compton amplitude



Rescattering contribution

The rescattering contribution to the Compton tensor (intermediate $2N$ -state) is given by

$$T_{\lambda_f \lambda_i} = \sum_C \left\{ \frac{\langle d_f; \gamma_f | \hat{H}_{\lambda_f} | C \rangle \langle C | \hat{H}_{\lambda_i} | d_i; \gamma_i \rangle}{\omega + E_i - E_C + i\epsilon} \right. \\ \left. \frac{\langle d_f; \gamma_f | \hat{H}_{\lambda_i} | C; \gamma_f; \gamma_i \rangle \langle C; \gamma_f; \gamma_i | \hat{H}_{\lambda_f} | d_i; \gamma_i \rangle}{-\omega - E_0 - E_C + i\epsilon} \right\},$$

where the interaction is given by

$$\hat{H}_\lambda = - \int d^3\xi \hat{\epsilon}_\lambda \cdot \mathbf{j}(\vec{\xi}) e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{\xi}}.$$

For long wavelengths, the photon field may be written as a gradient $\mathbf{A} \approx \vec{\nabla}\phi$, giving an interaction

$$\hat{H}_\lambda^\phi = i \int d^3\xi \left[\rho(\vec{\xi}), \hat{H} \right] \phi_\lambda(\vec{\xi}).$$

- At low-energies, the amplitude depends only on the **charge density** of the nucleus - *Siegert's theorem*¹.
- Corrections from residual field $\mathbf{A} - \vec{\nabla}\phi$ included separately

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Two-photon exchange

Our aim is to calculate the TPE diagram:

Lamb shift integral

$$\Delta E_{nl} = -\frac{(4\pi\alpha)^2}{m} |\phi(0)_{nl}|^2 \frac{1}{i} \int \frac{d^4q}{(2\pi)^4} D^{\mu\lambda}(q) D^{\nu\sigma}(-q) t_{\mu\nu}(p, q) T_{\lambda\sigma}(q),$$

with the leptonic tensor $t^{\mu\nu}$ defined as

$$t_{\mu\nu}(p, q) = \frac{p^\mu(p^\nu - q^\nu) + (p^\mu - q^\mu)p^\nu + p \cdot q g^{\mu\nu}}{(p - q)^2 - m_\mu^2 + i\epsilon}$$

In Coulomb gauge, from crossing symmetry we obtain

$$\Delta E_{nl} = -(4\pi\alpha)^2 |\phi(0)_{nl}|^2 \frac{1}{i} \int \frac{d^4q}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{2m_l^2}{q^4 - 4m_l^2 q_0^2 + i\epsilon} \\ \times \left[\frac{1}{|\vec{q}|^2} T_L(q_0, |\vec{q}|) + \frac{q_0^2}{q^4} T_T(q_0, |\vec{q}|) \right],$$

where the Compton tensor has separated into transverse and longitudinal components

$$T_L \equiv T_{00}, \quad T_T \equiv \left(\delta^{ij} - \frac{q^i q^j}{|\vec{q}|^2} \right) T^{ij}$$

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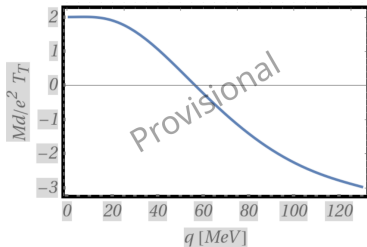
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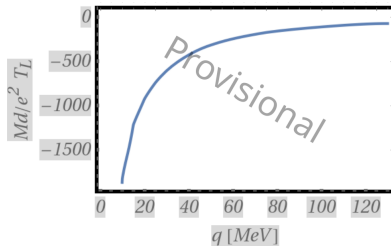
$$G_C(Q^2) = 1 - \frac{\langle r_E^2 \rangle}{6} Q^2 + \dots$$

It is therefore necessary to subtract elastic contributions up to $\mathcal{O}(Q^2)$ from the Compton tensor

→ separately calculate ground-state contribution, and subtract from amplitude



(a) Transverse amplitude



(b) Longitudinal amplitude

(amplitudes computed at $\omega = \sqrt{m_\mu^2 + q^2} - m_\mu$)

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