

# Towards a unified precision theory of chiral nuclear forces and pion-nucleon dynamics

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# Outline

- Introduction&Motivation
- Fits to  $\pi N$  scattering
- Recent results for NN scattering
- Summary and Outlook

# Introduction

QCD  $\longrightarrow$  Chiral Effective Theory  $\longrightarrow$  hadron dynamics

Effective Lagrangian: Low Energy Constants (LECs)

$$\mathcal{L}(\Psi_N, U = e^{(i\vec{\tau}\cdot\vec{\pi})/f}, D_\mu) = \mathcal{L}_\pi + \mathcal{L}_{\pi N} + \mathcal{L}_{NN} + \dots$$

$\longrightarrow$  The most general S-matrix,  
consistent with unitarity,  
analyticity, symmetries

(Weinberg '79)

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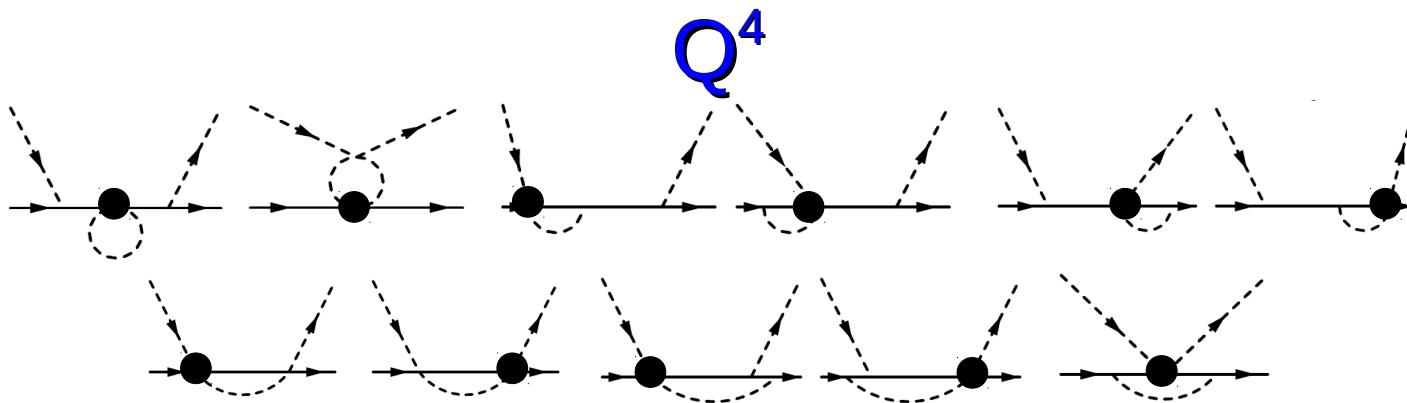
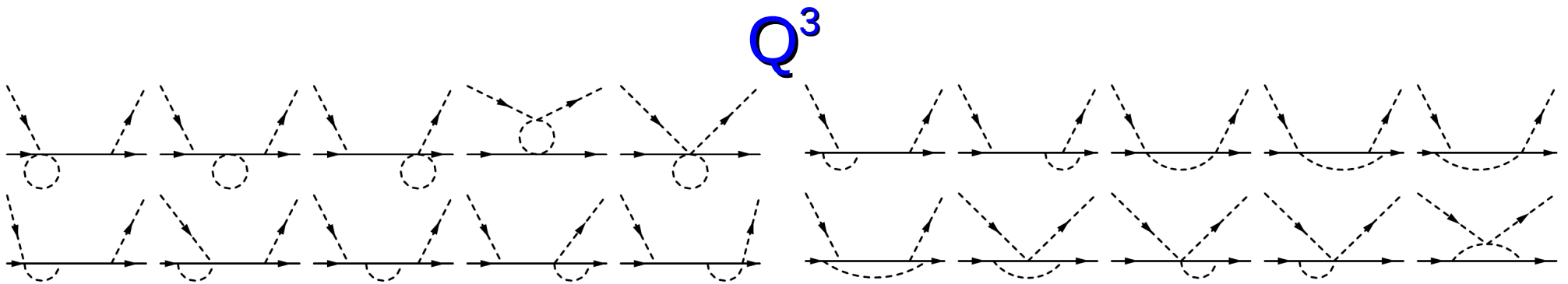
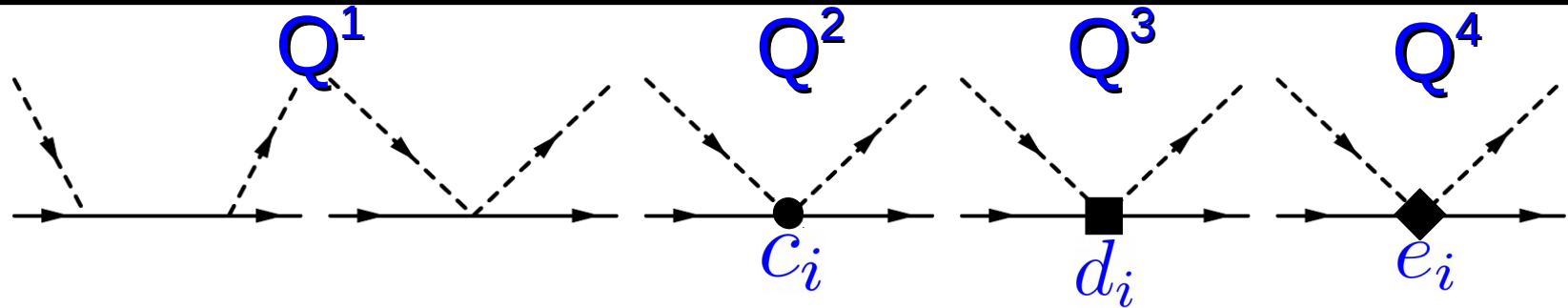
$\rightarrow$  unified description of  $\pi\pi$ ,  $\pi N$  and  $NN$

$\rightarrow$  consistent many-body forces

$\rightarrow$  systematically improvable



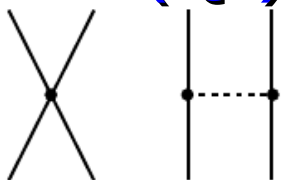
# Low energy constants in $\pi N$ scattering



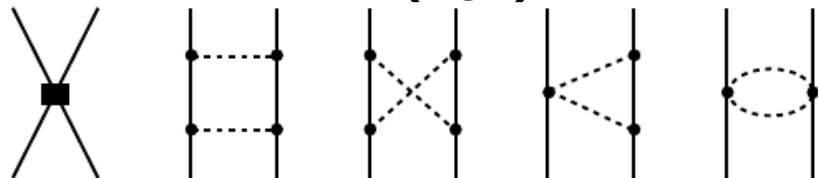
# Two-Nucleon Force

Epelbaum, Krebs, Meißner '15

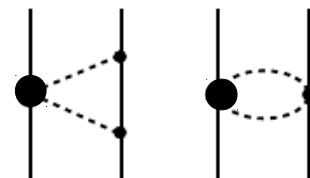
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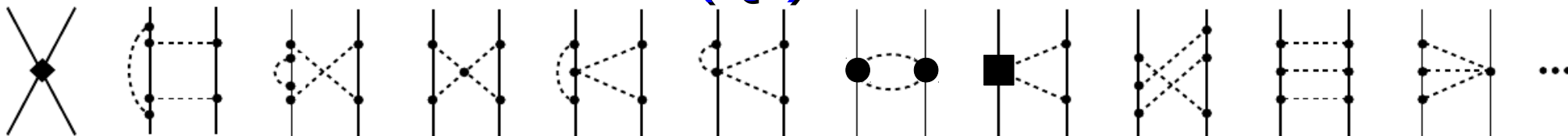
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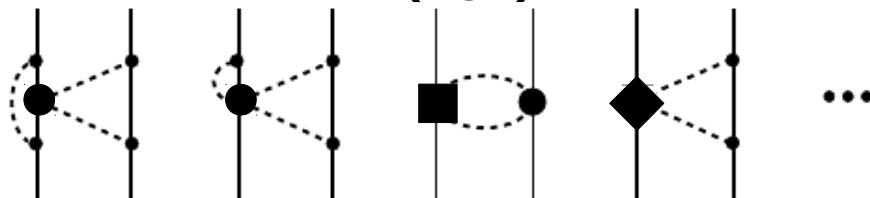
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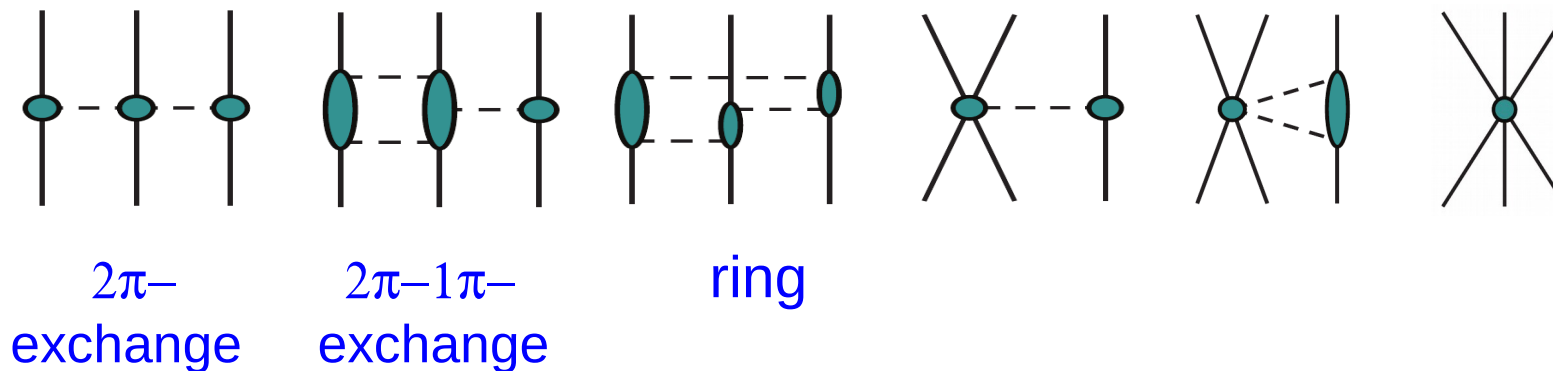


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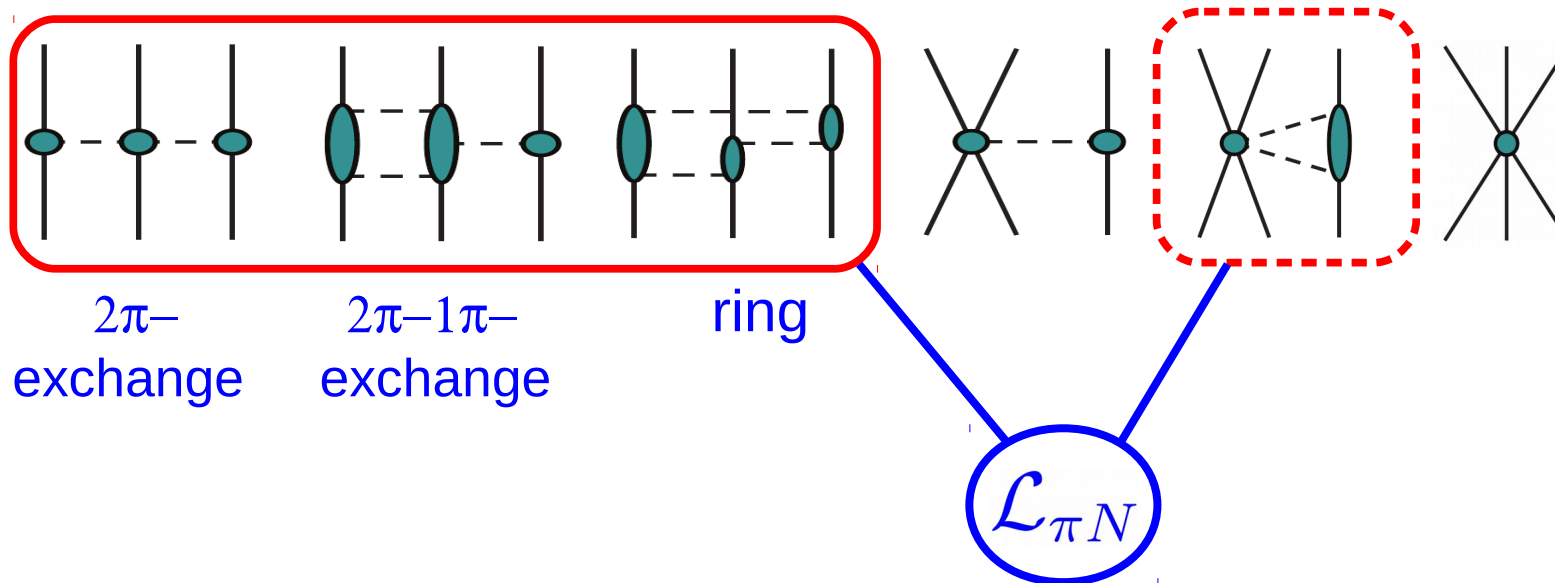
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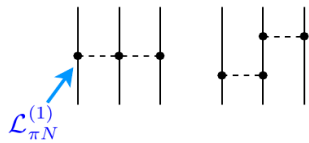
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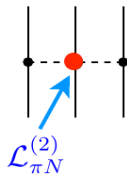
Krebs, Gasparyan, Epelbaum '12

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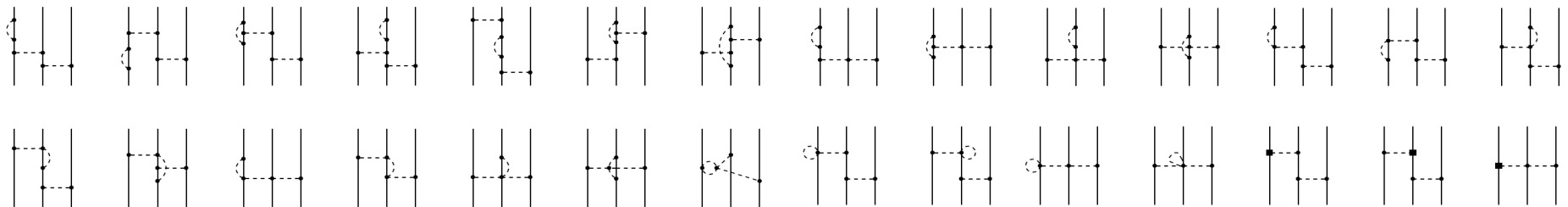


← yield vanishing 3NF contribution

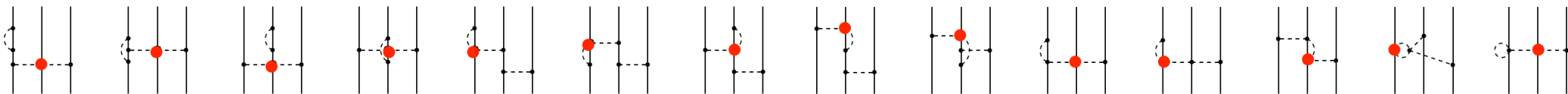
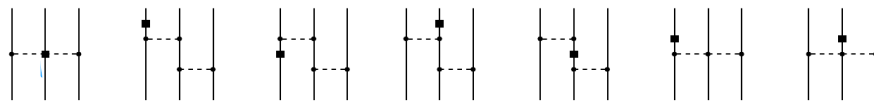
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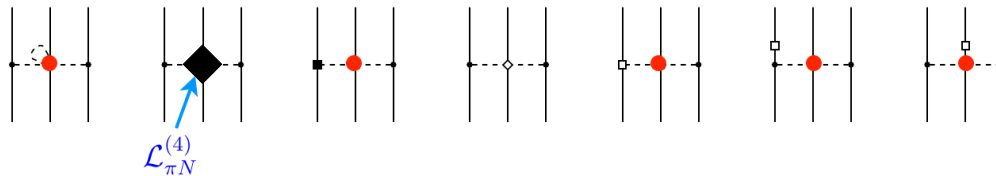
← first non-vanishing 3NF



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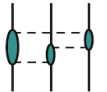
# 2 $\pi$ -1 $\pi$ and ring diagrams up to N<sup>4</sup>LO

Krebs, Gasparyan, Epelbaum '13

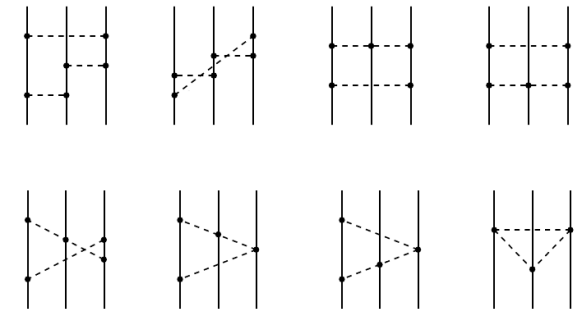
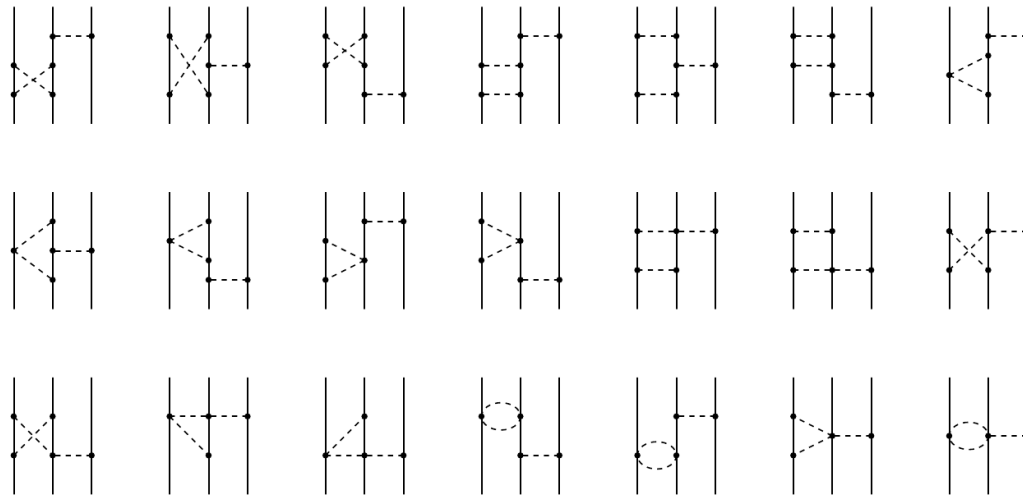
## The 2 $\pi$ -1 $\pi$ -exchange 3NF topology



## Ring 3NF diagrams

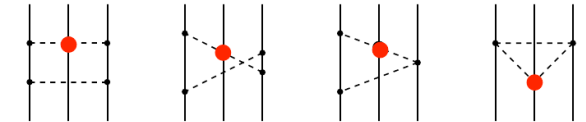
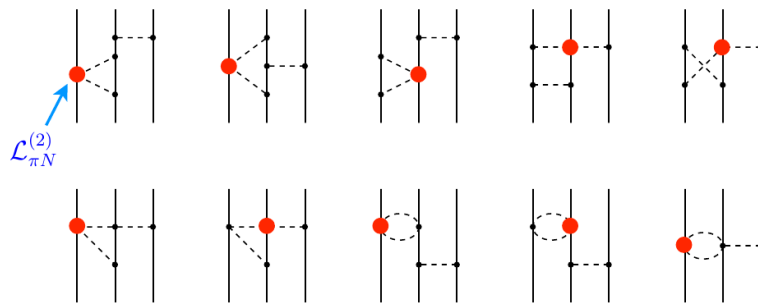


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# $\pi N$ scattering

Siemens et al. '16

- ➔ Fit to data instead of partial wave analysis    Wendt et al. '14, Carlsson et al. '15
- Uncertainties of parameters and correlations are better constrained (errors and correlations of the phase shifts are not always well known)  

Epelbaum et al. '15
- ➔ The novel approach to estimate the theoretical uncertainty

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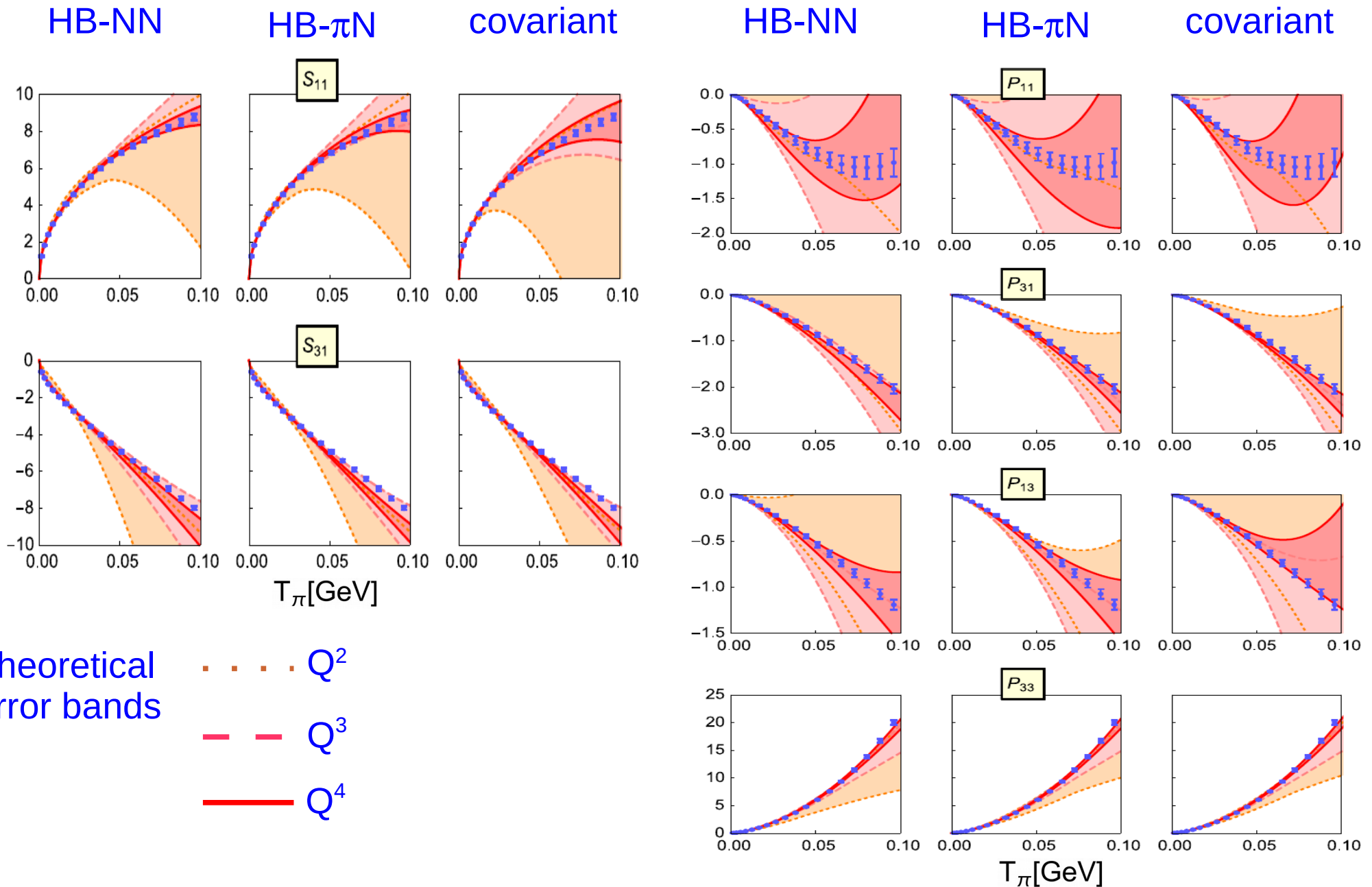
$\Delta$ -resonance?

# Power counting in $\pi N$ scattering

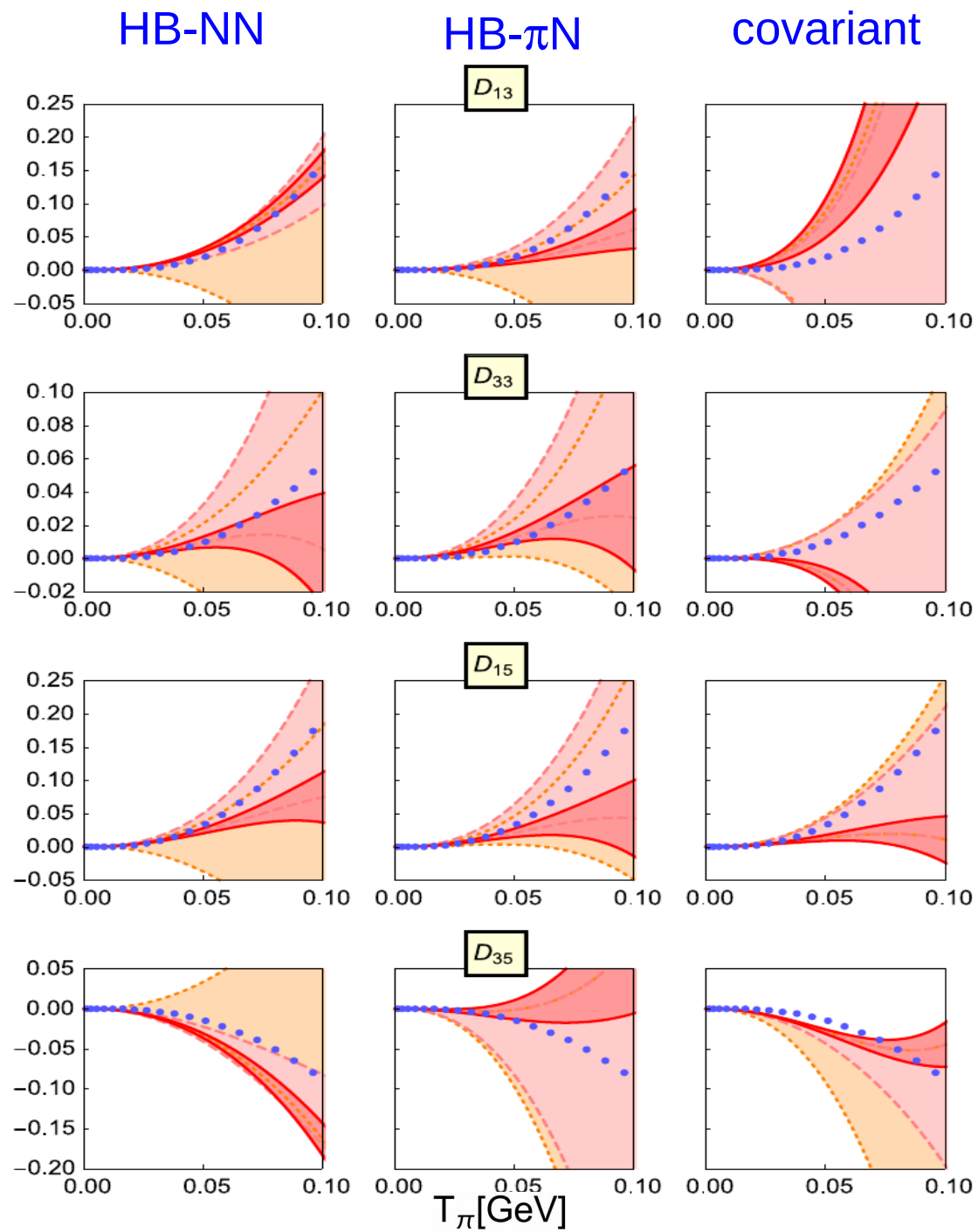
- Expansion in  $Q = \left\{ \frac{q}{\Lambda_b}, \frac{M_\pi}{\Lambda_b} \right\}$
- Standard heavy baryon (HB) power counting:  $m_N \sim \Lambda_b$  Fettes et al. '98, '00
- Power counting used in the chiral NN potential:  $m_N \sim \Lambda_b^2/M_\pi$
- Modified EOMS (Extended On-Mass-Shell) scheme:  $1/m_N$  expansion exactly reproduces HB result.  
Gegelia, Japaridze '99

# $\pi N$ phase shifts

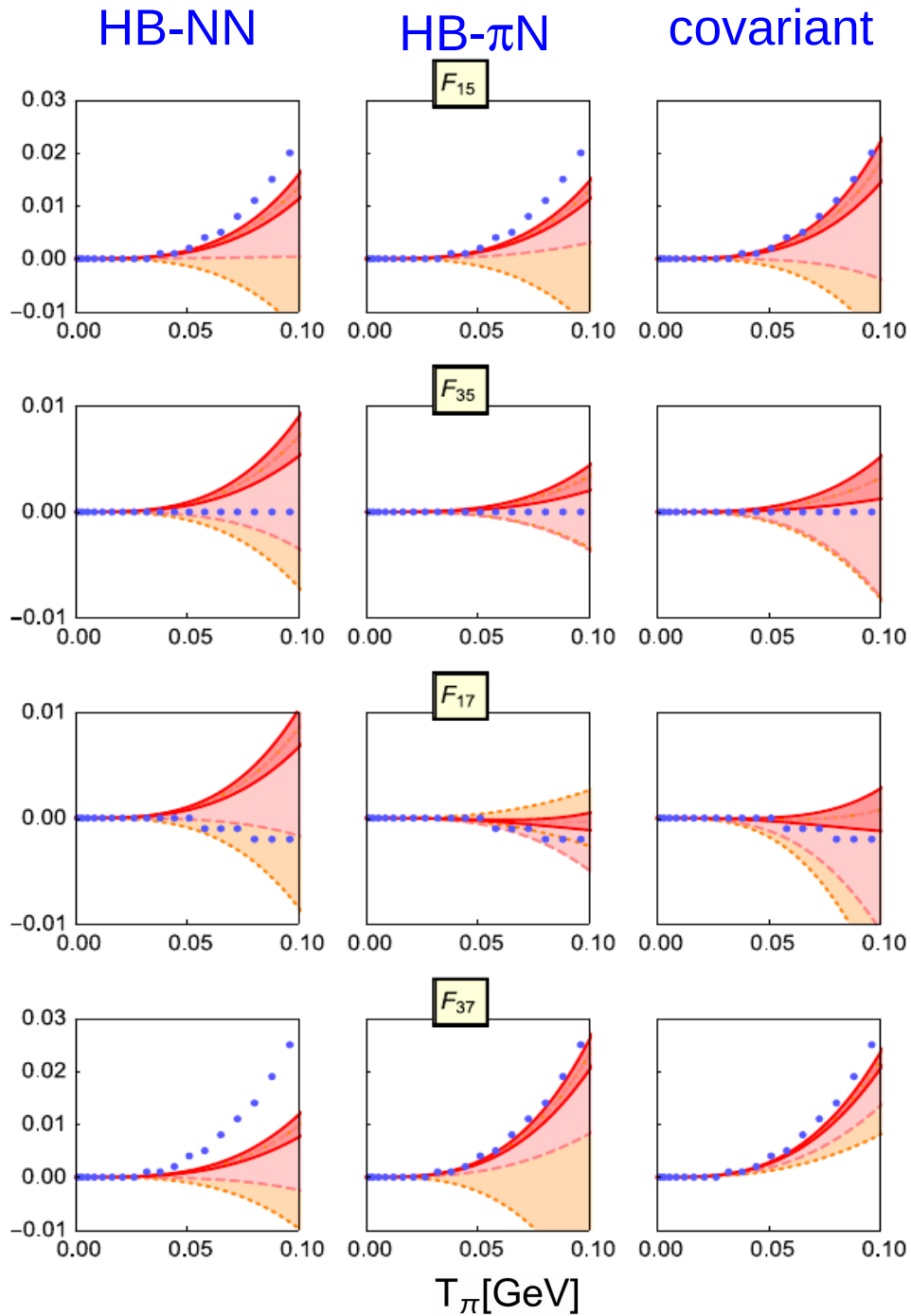
(SAID data base)



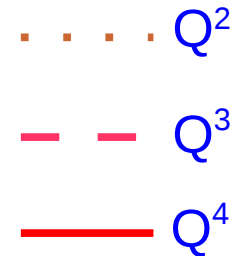
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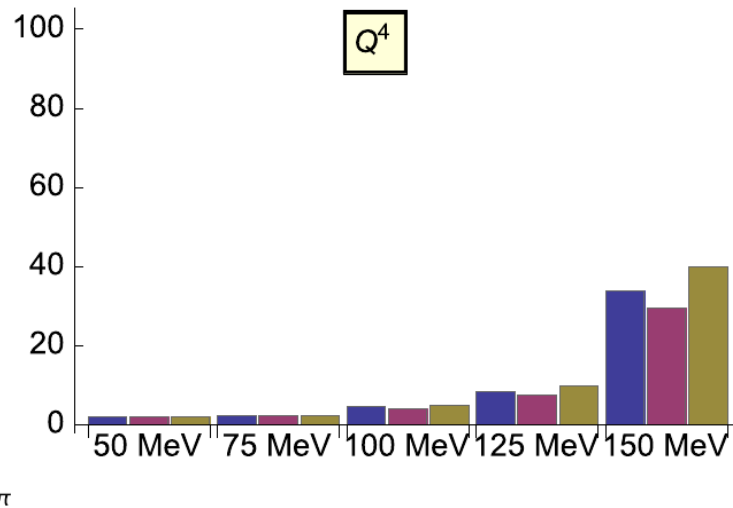
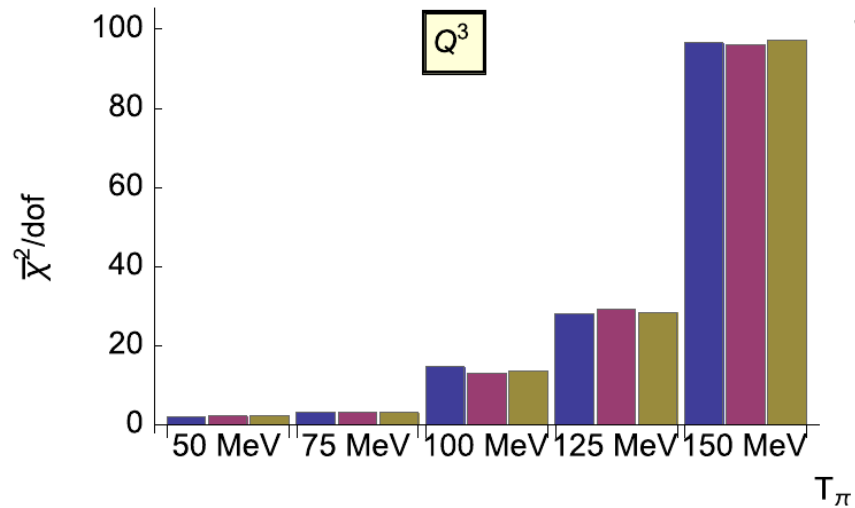
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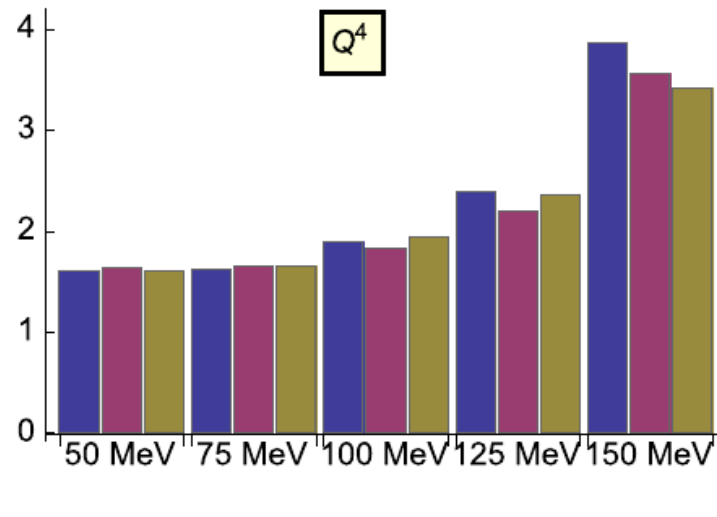
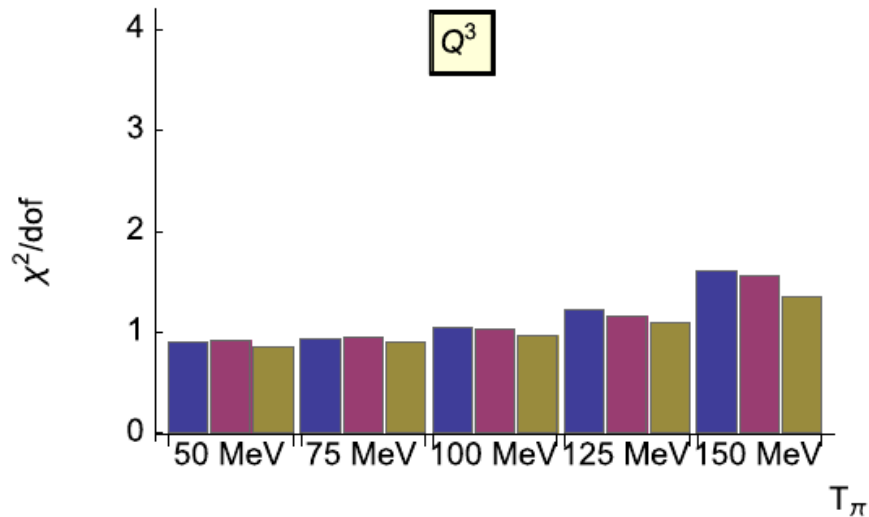
Theoretical  
error bands



# Reduced $\chi^2$ (fit up to $T_\pi$ )

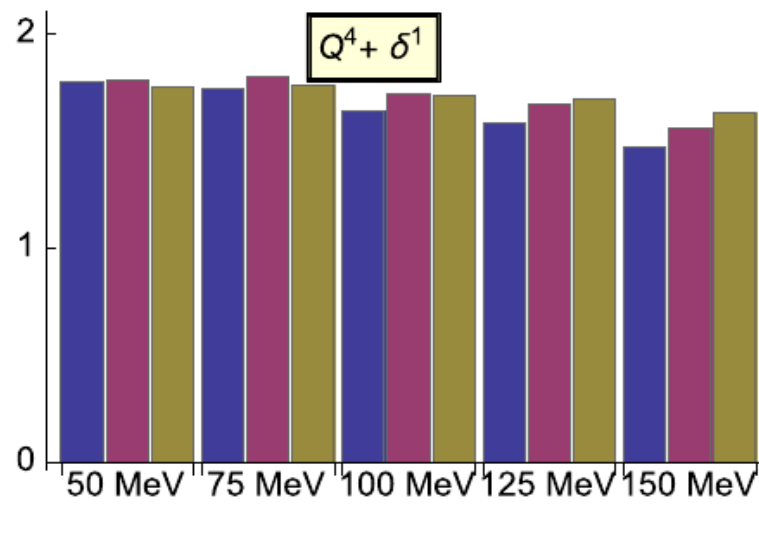
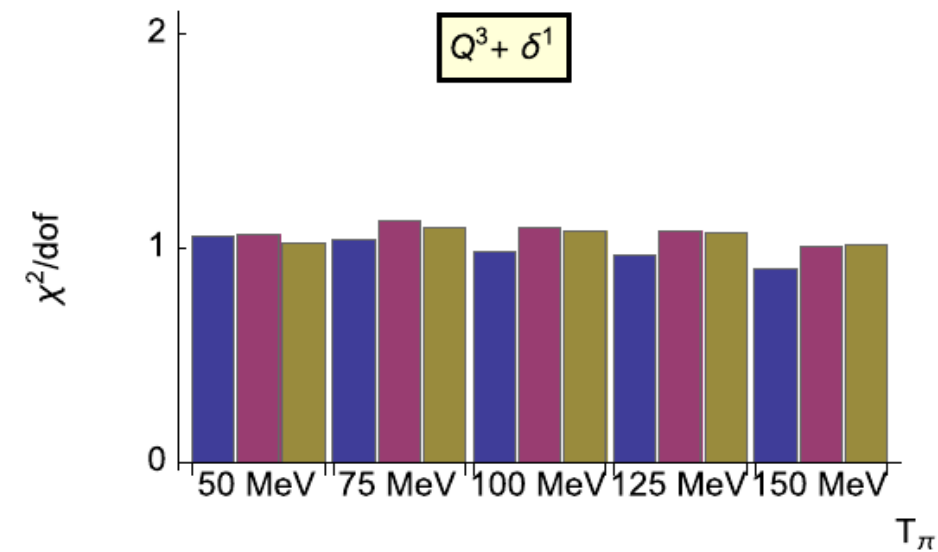
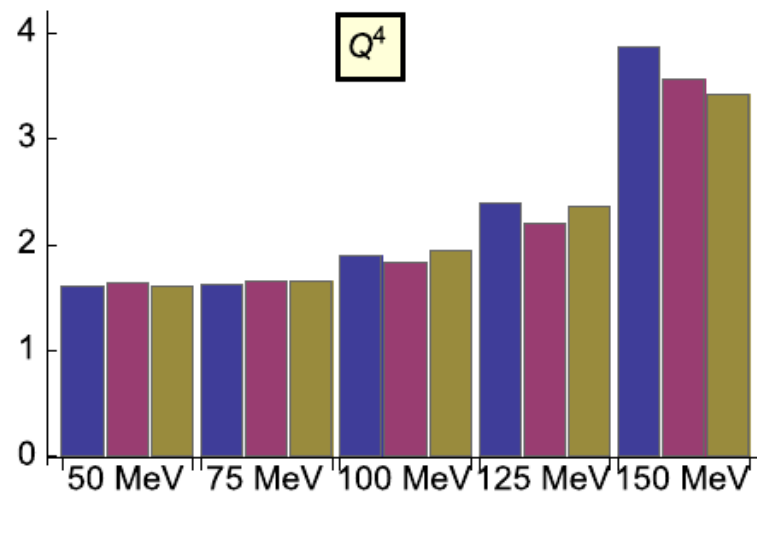
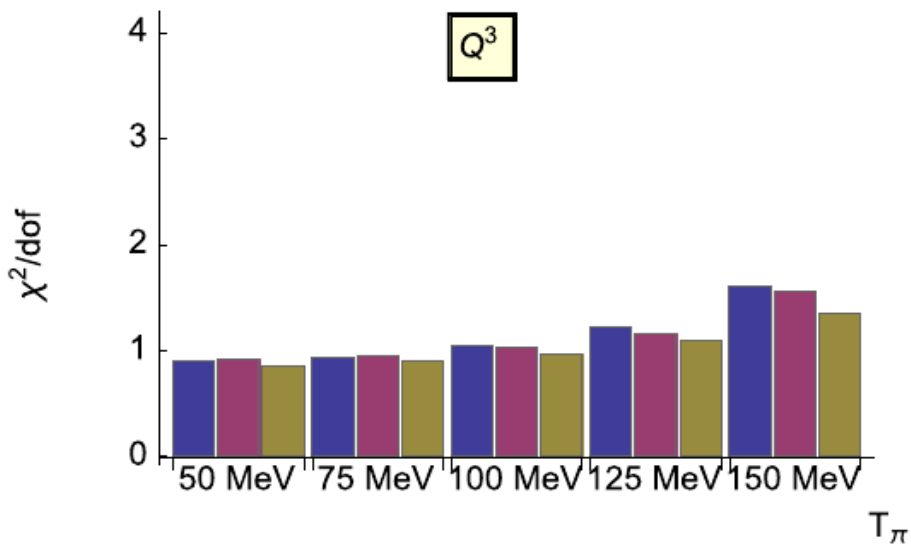


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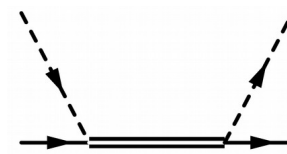


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# Reduced $\chi^2$



Adding  $\Delta$ -pole diagram





# Low energy constants

	$c_1$	$c_2$	$c_3$	$c_4$	$\bar{d}_1 + \bar{d}_2$	$\bar{d}_3$	$\bar{d}_5$	$\bar{d}_{14} - \bar{d}_{15}$	$\bar{e}_{14}$	$\bar{e}_{15}$	$\bar{e}_{16}$	$\bar{e}_{17}$	$\bar{e}_{18}$
fit to GW	-1.13	3.69	-5.51	3.71	5.57	-5.35	0.02	-10.26	1.75	-5.8	1.76	-0.58	0.96
fit to KH	-0.75	3.49	-4.77	3.34	6.21	-6.83	0.78	-12.02	1.52	-10.41	6.08	-0.37	3.26
fit to data	-1.31	1.88	-4.43	3.24	5.95	-5.64	-0.11	-11.61	0.86	-11.36	10.73	-0.66	4.47
error	0.08	0.23	0.09	0.17	0.09	0.06	0.04	0.09	0.29	0.81	0.95	0.46	0.87

GW: Arndt et al. '06

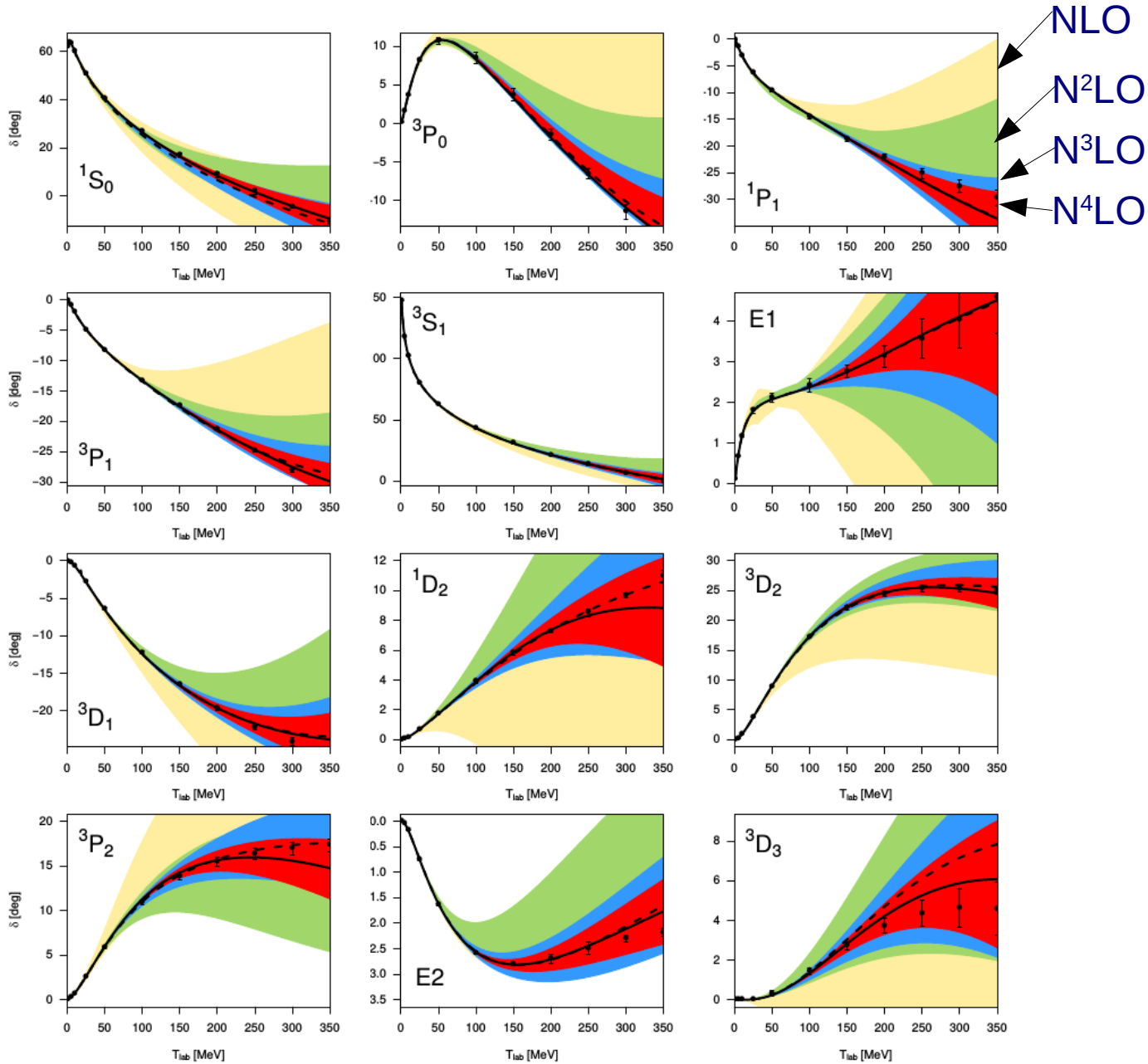
KH: Koch '86

data: GWU-SAID data base



# np phase shifts

Reinert et al., in preparation



Theoretical error bands, fit to phase shifts

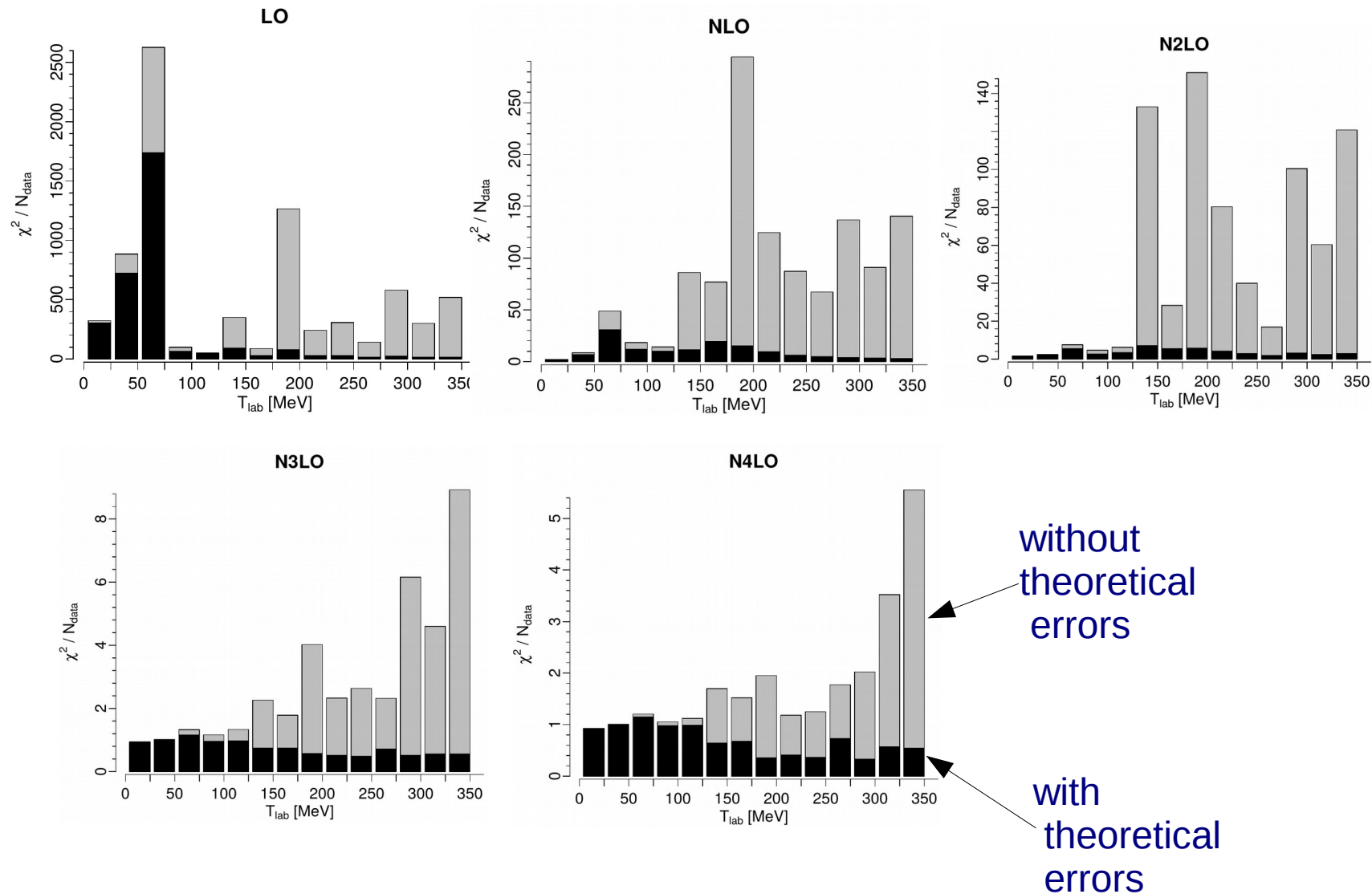
Fit to data:

----- N<sup>3</sup>LO

————— N<sup>4</sup>LO

Data: Nijmegen PWA

# NN scattering, fit of chiral potential to data



# Summary

- The novel approach to estimate the theoretical uncertainty from the truncation of the chiral expansion is applied to  $\pi N$  scattering
- Direct fits to the low energy  $\pi N$  scattering data are performed using the HB-NN, HB- $\pi N$  and the covariant versions of  $\chi PT$
- The extracted LECs are stable and in a reasonably good agreement with the ones reported in the literature
- Preliminary results of direct fits to NN data are presented

## Outlook

- Explicit inclusion of  $\Delta$ -degree of freedom is expected to improve convergence