

**Challenges and achievements
in the ab-initio three- and four-body
scattering calculations:
the Coulomb force**

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Outline


- Few-body scattering with Coulomb interaction: screening and renormalization
- Applications: $3N$, $4N$, ...

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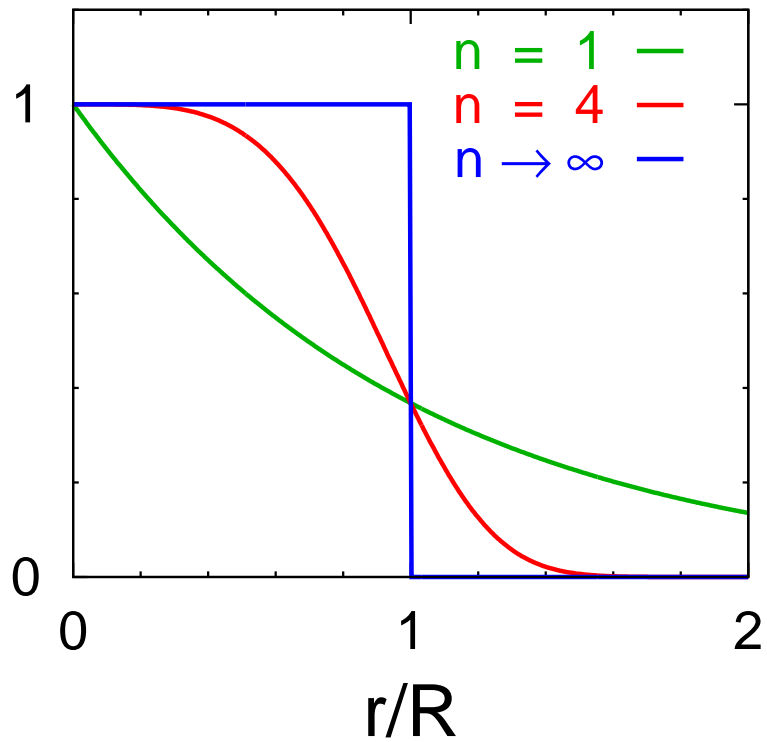
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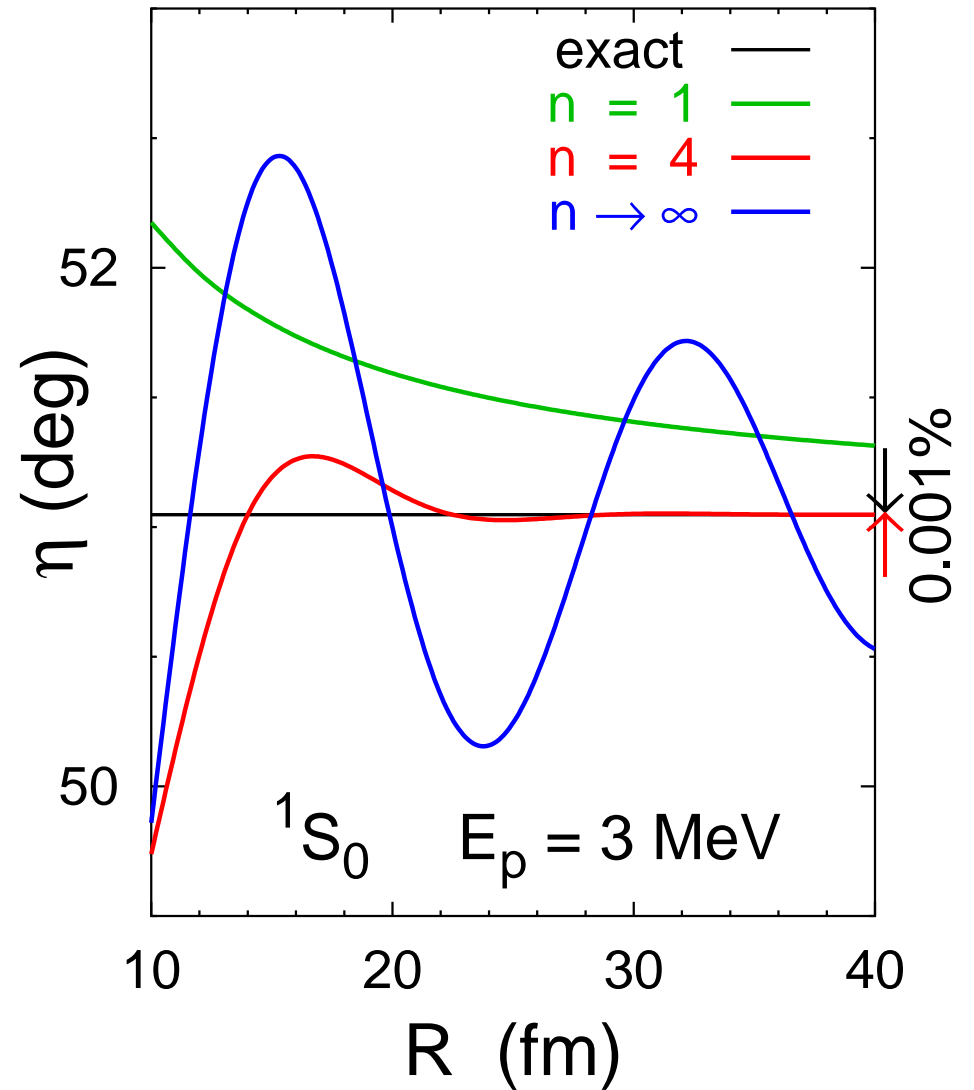
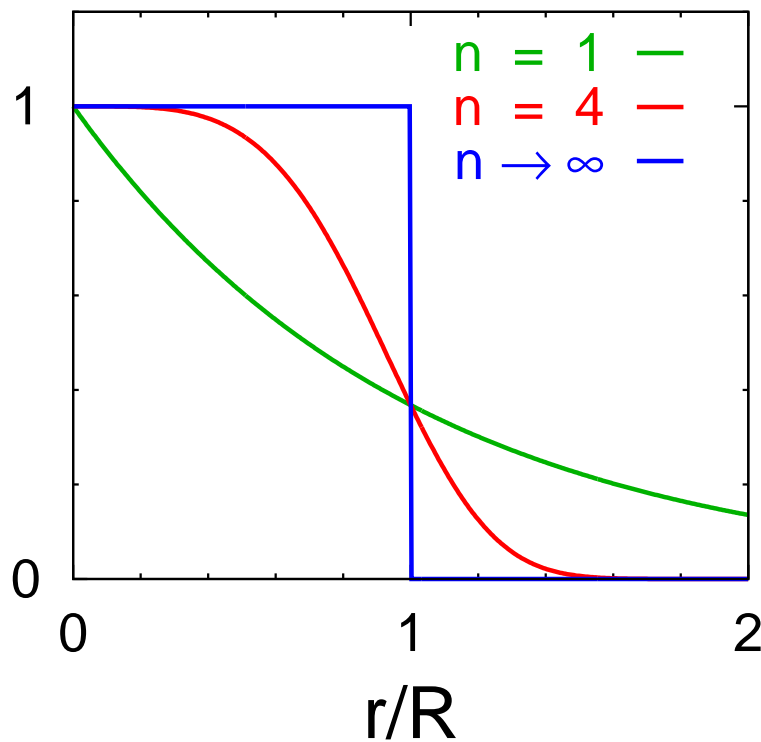
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optimal choice: $3 \leq n \leq 8$

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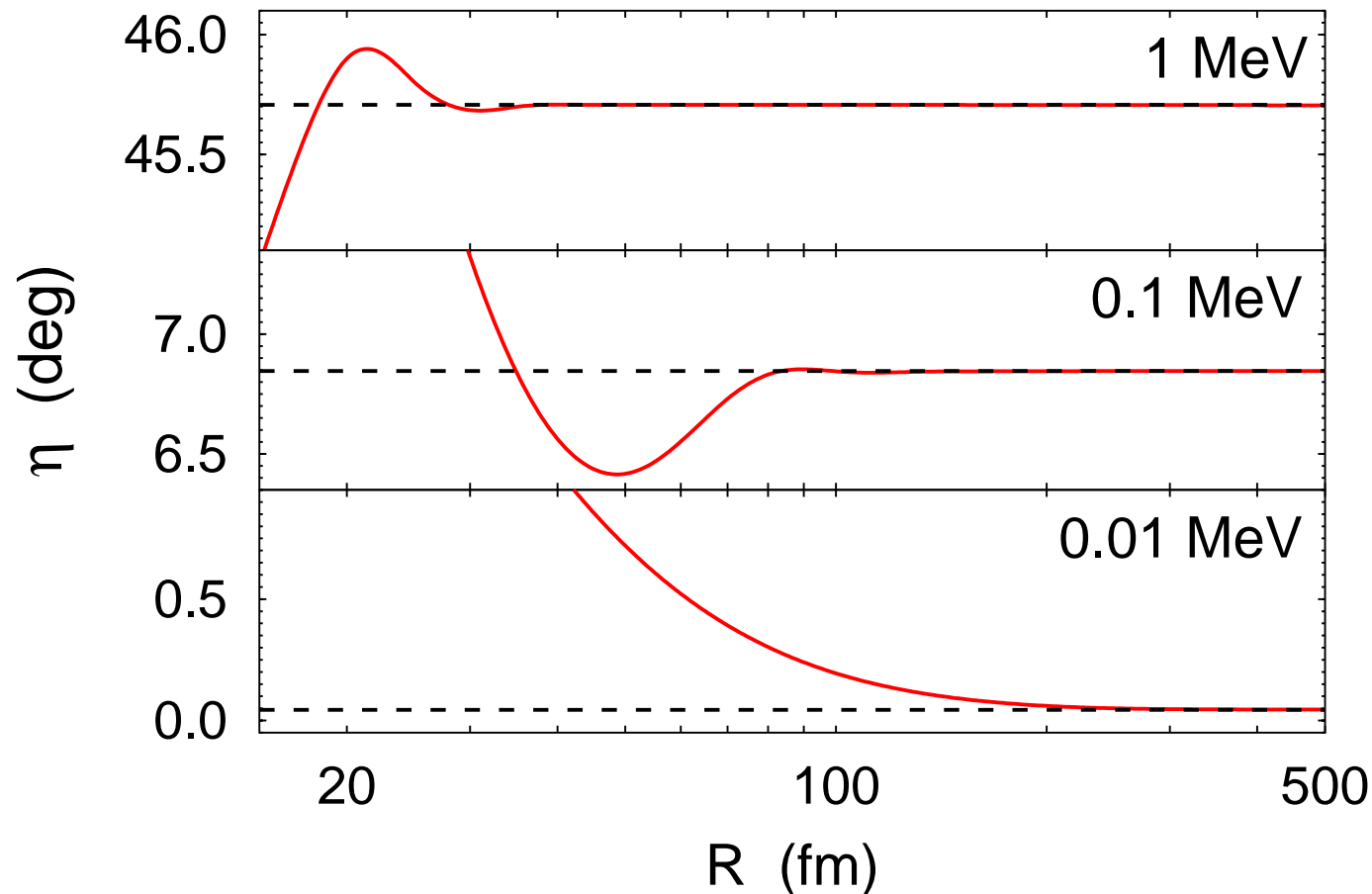
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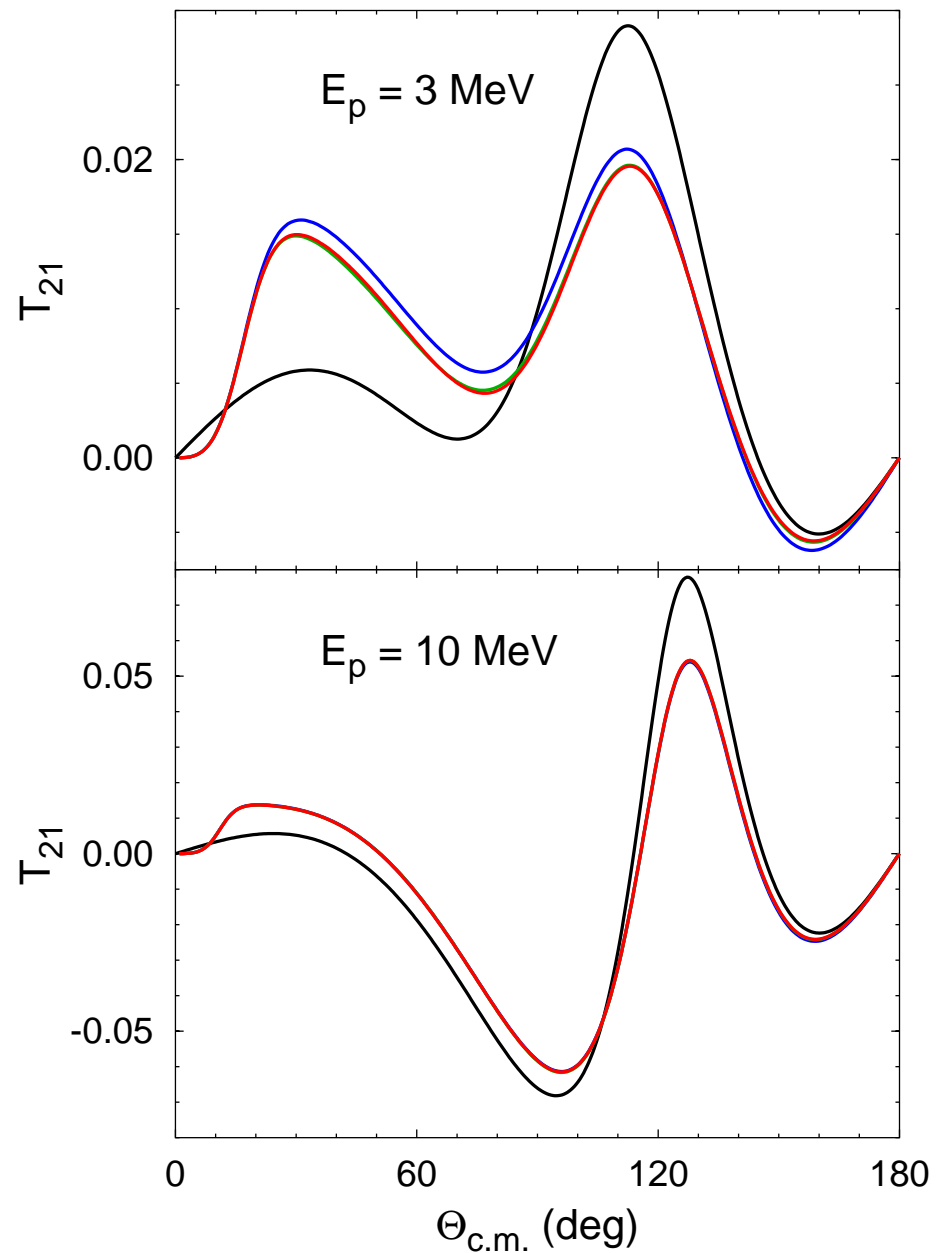
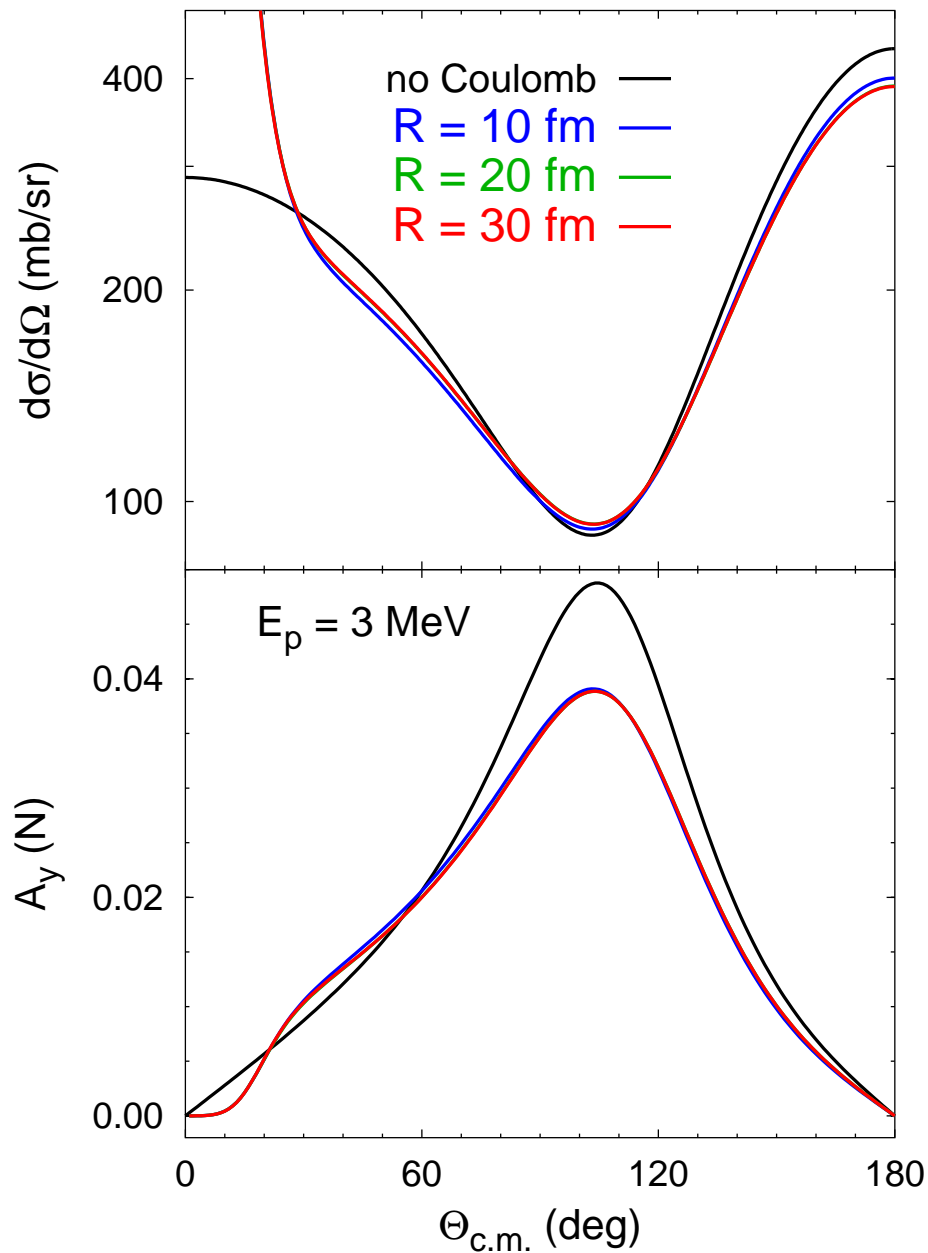
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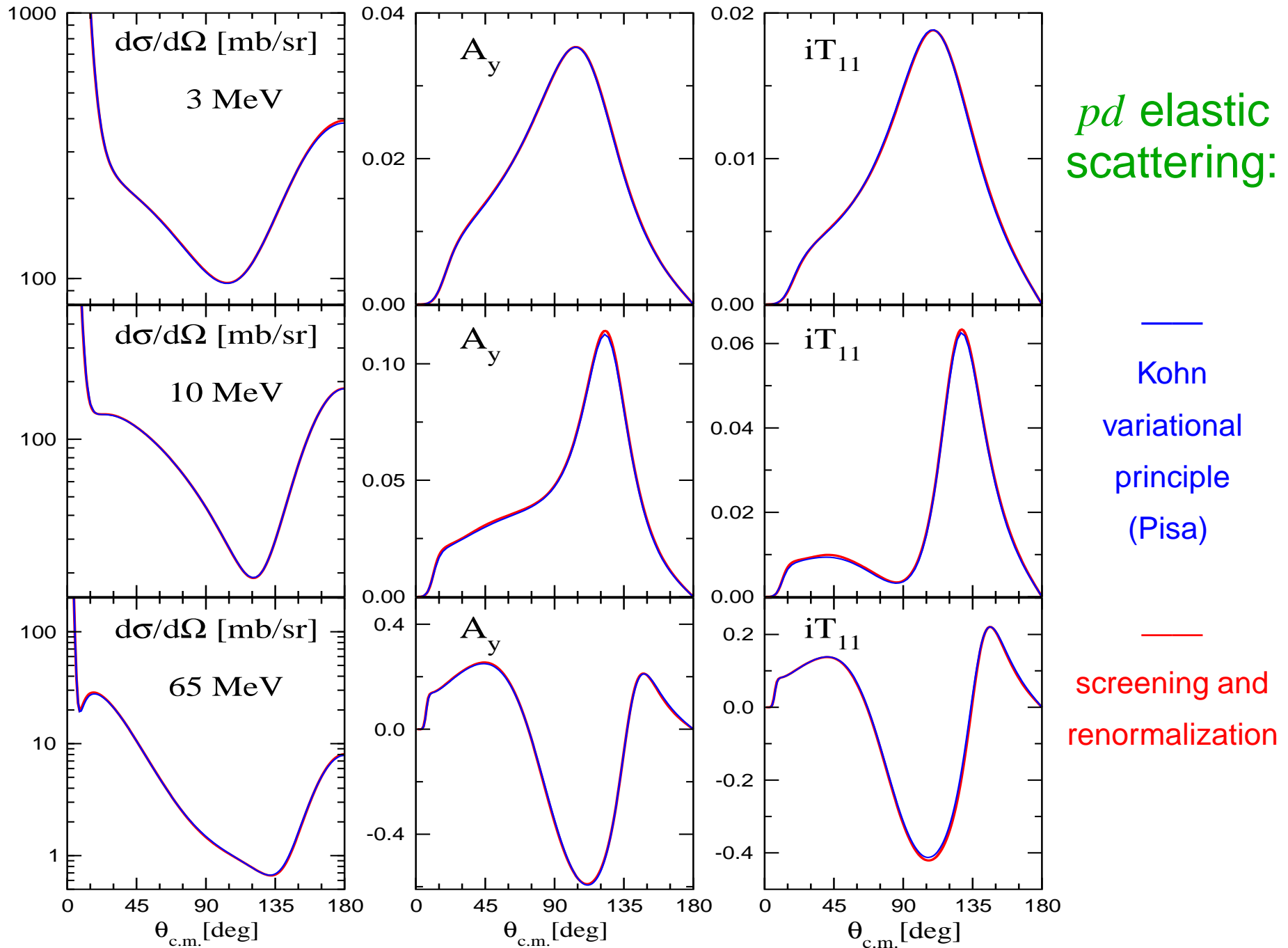
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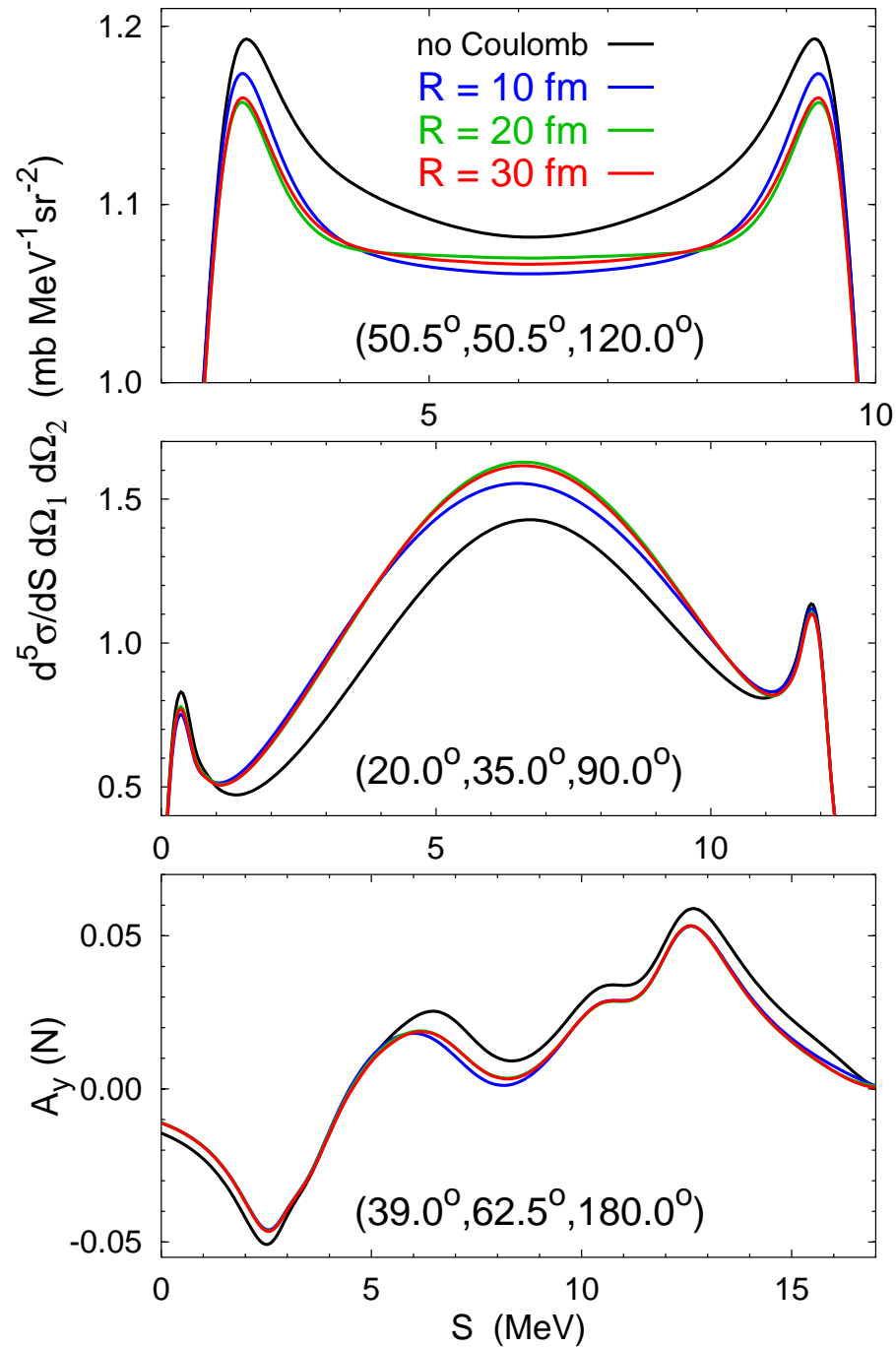
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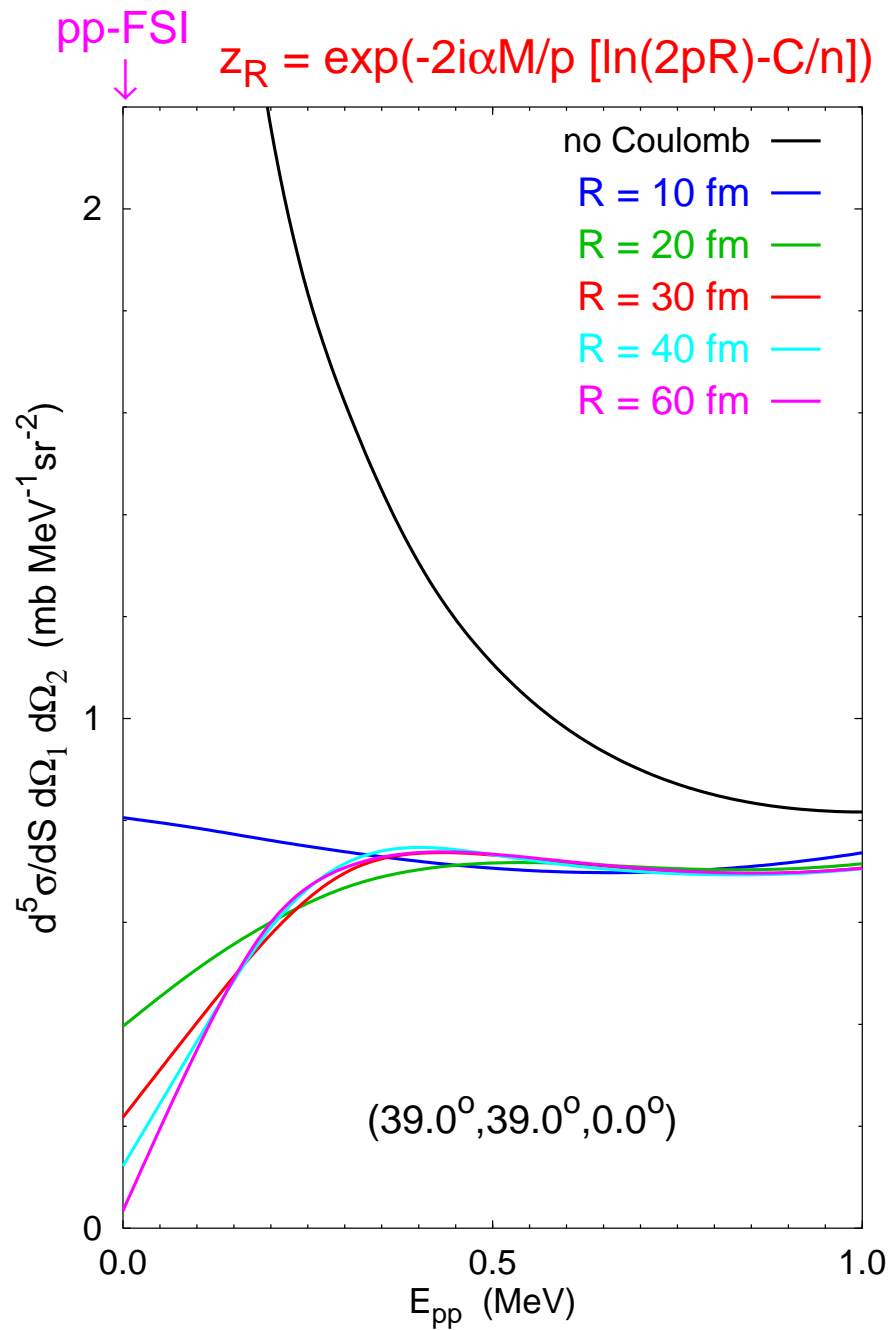
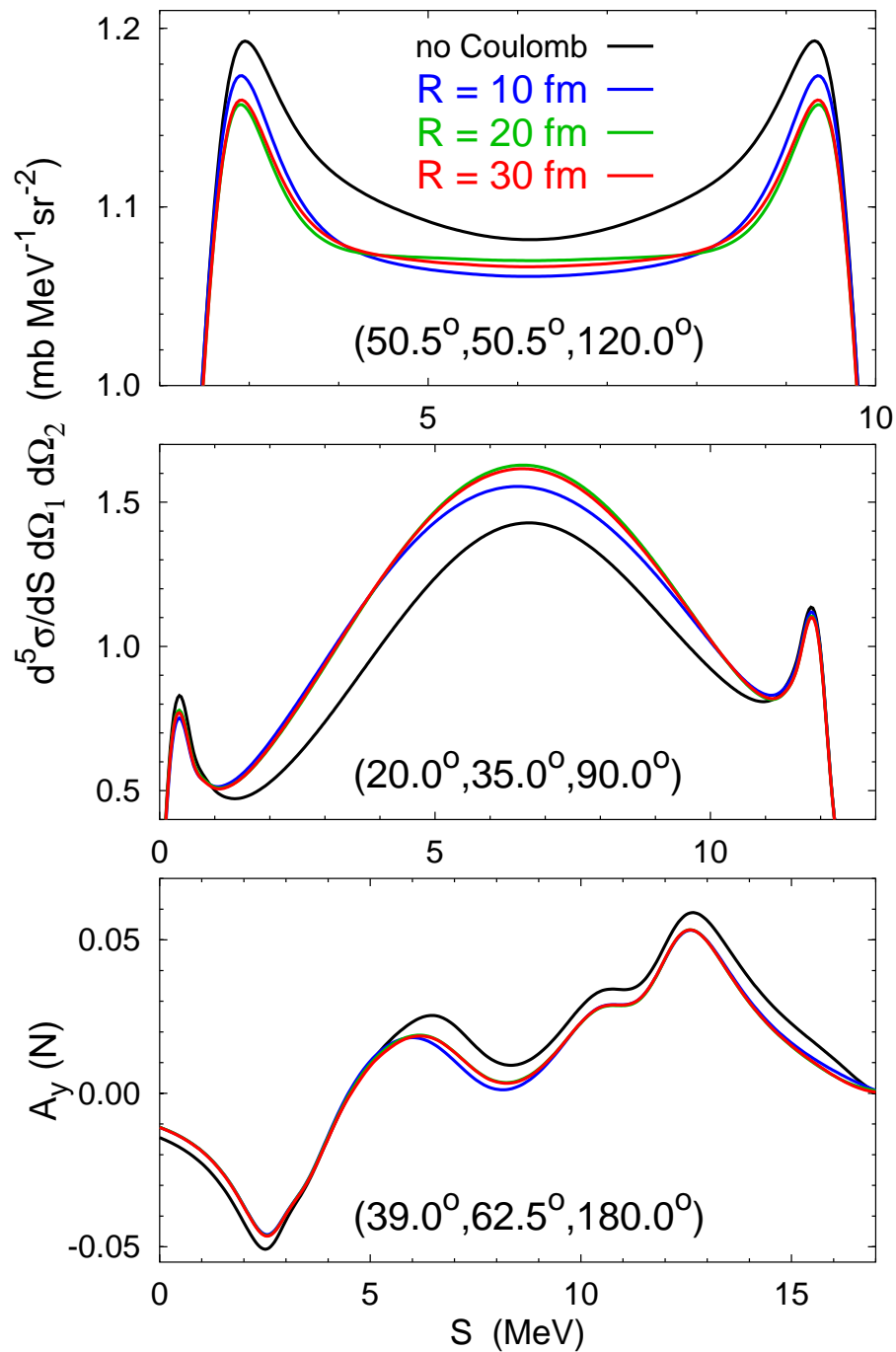
Comparison with configuration-space results



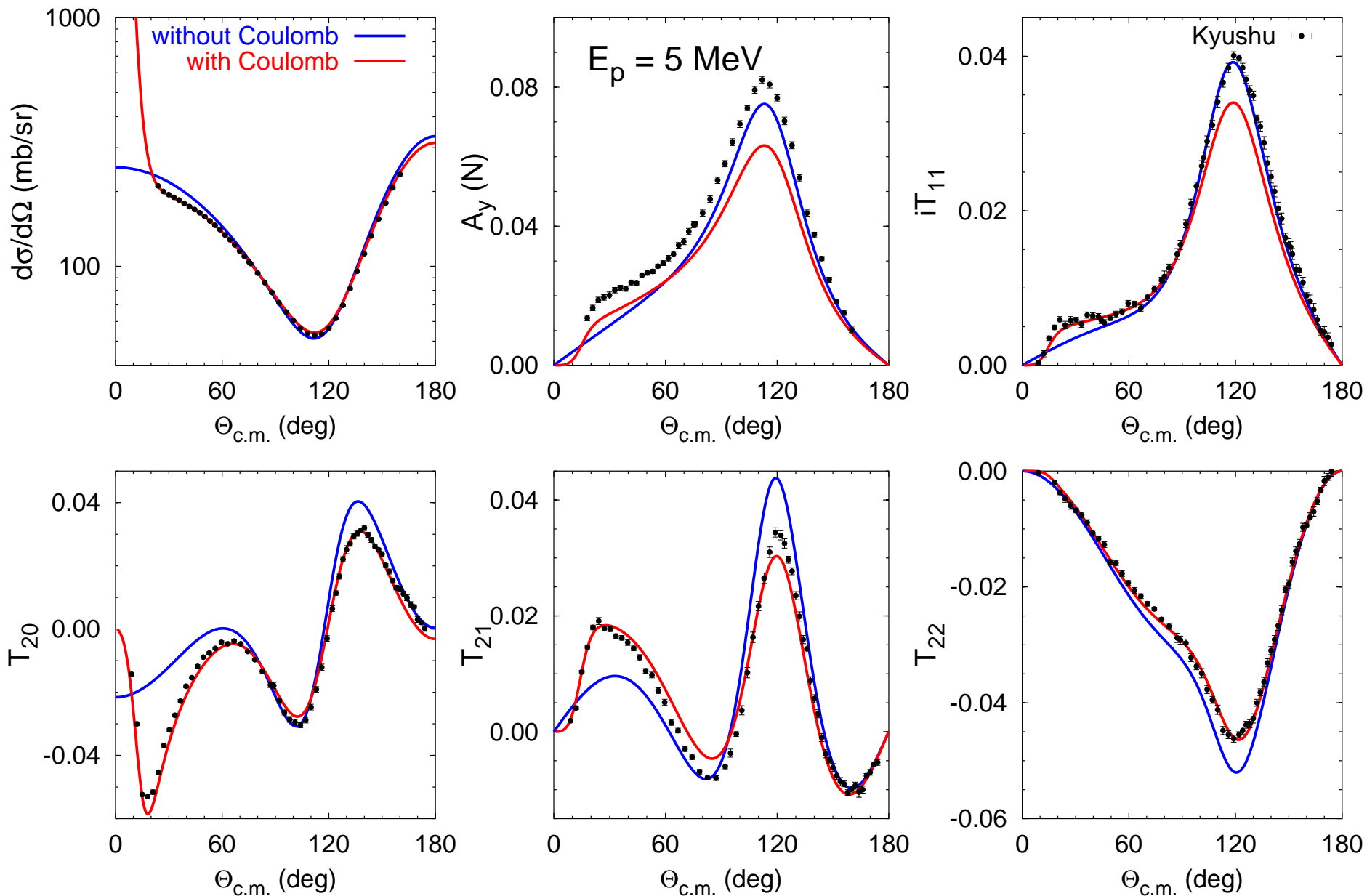
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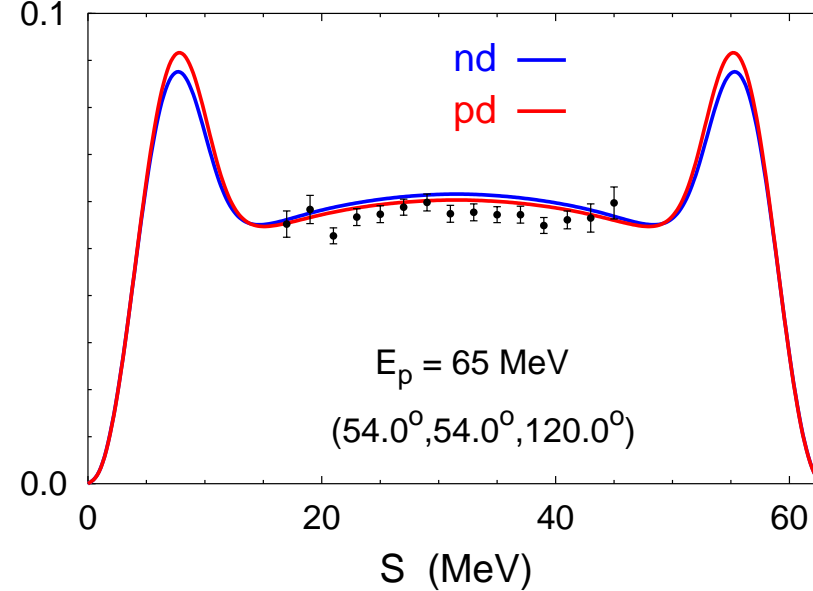
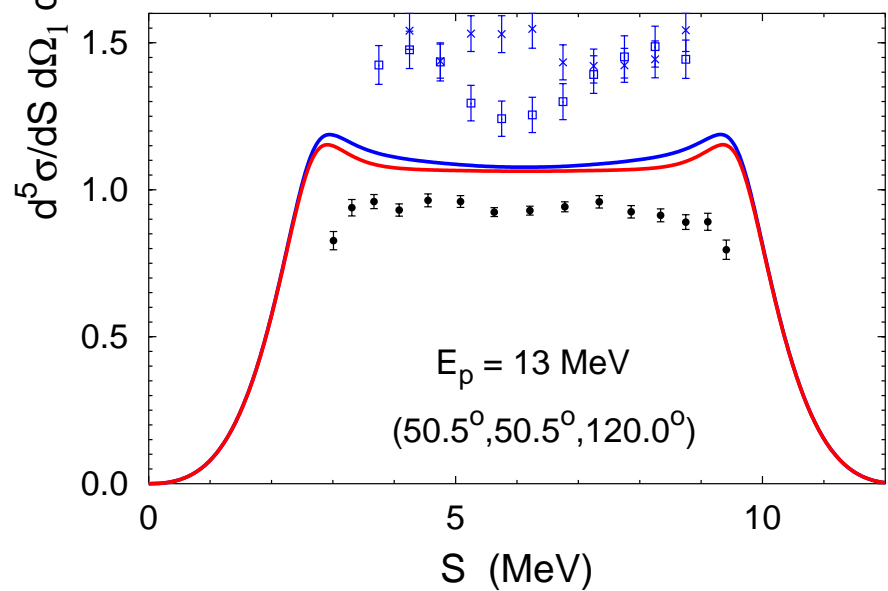
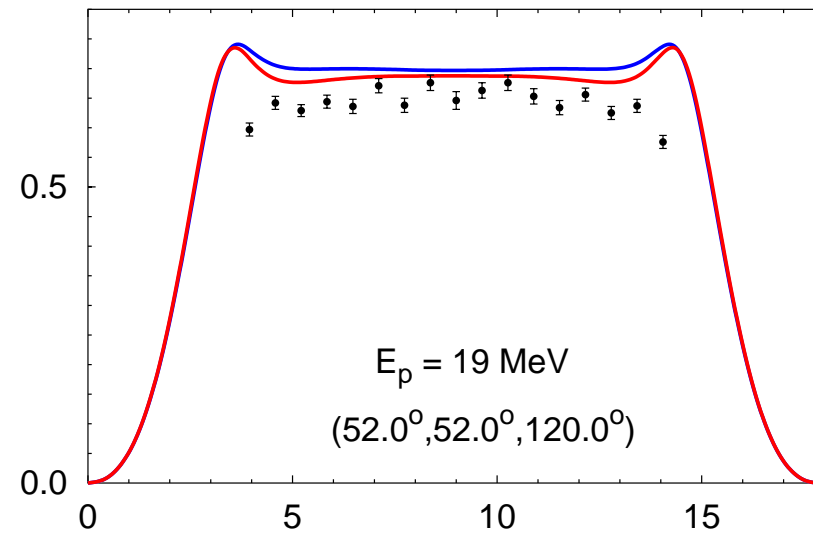
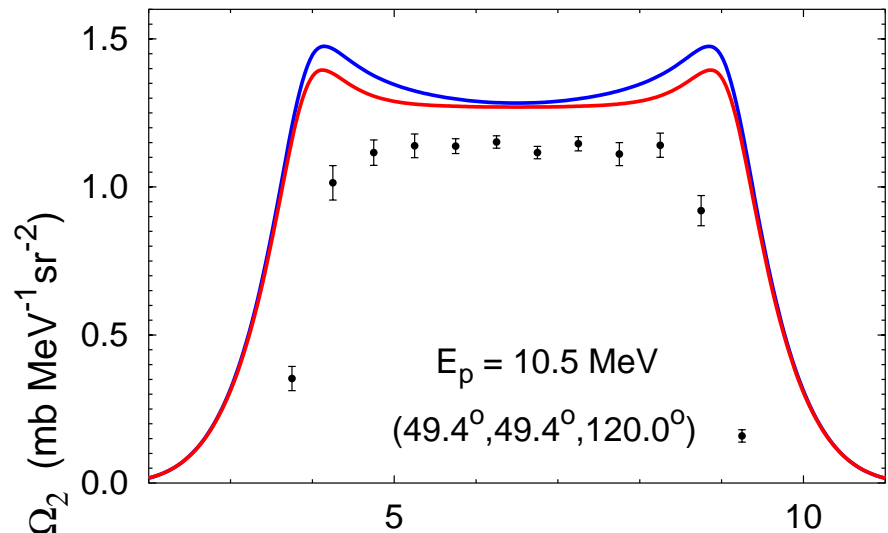
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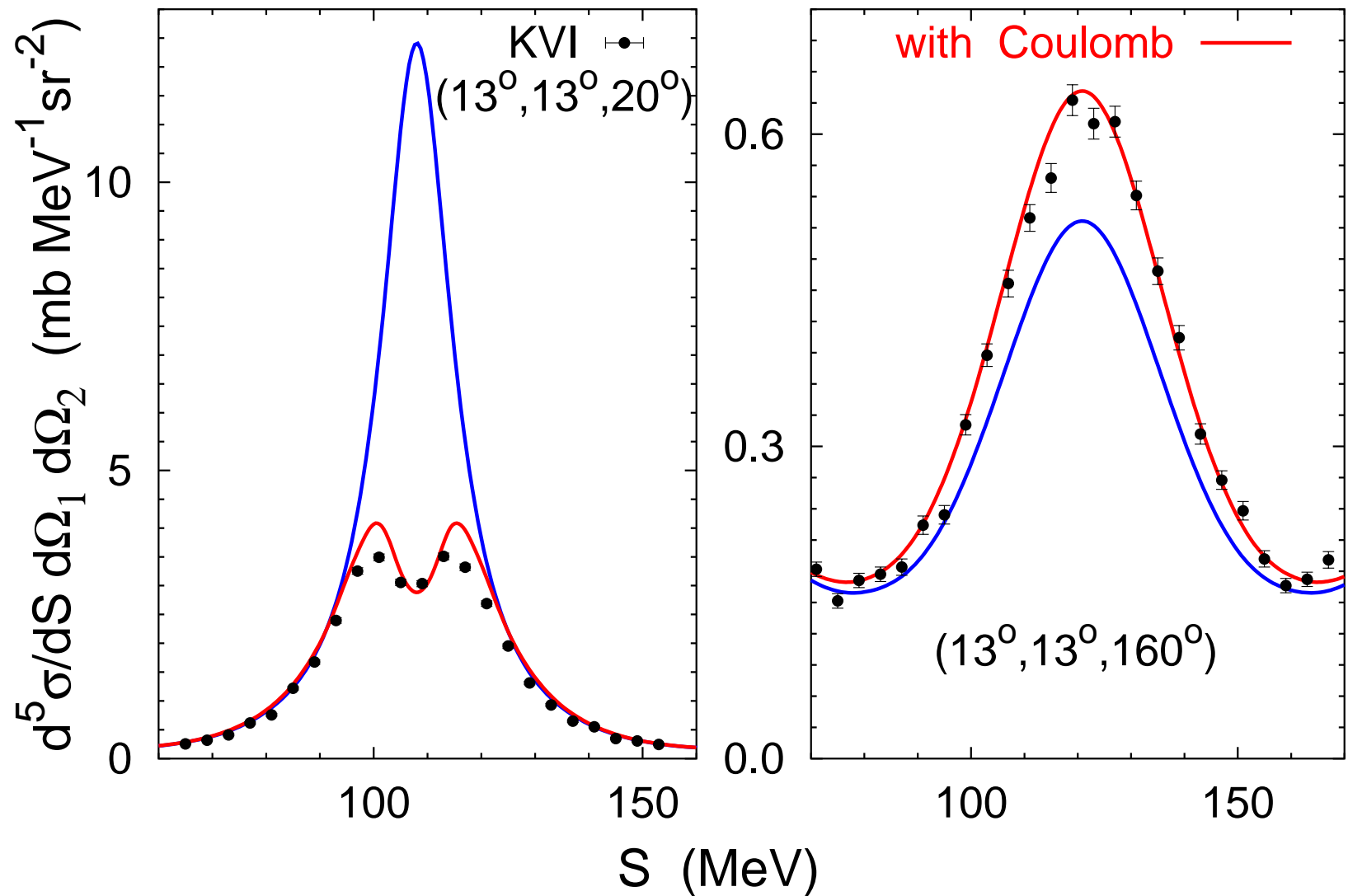
pd elastic scattering at low energies



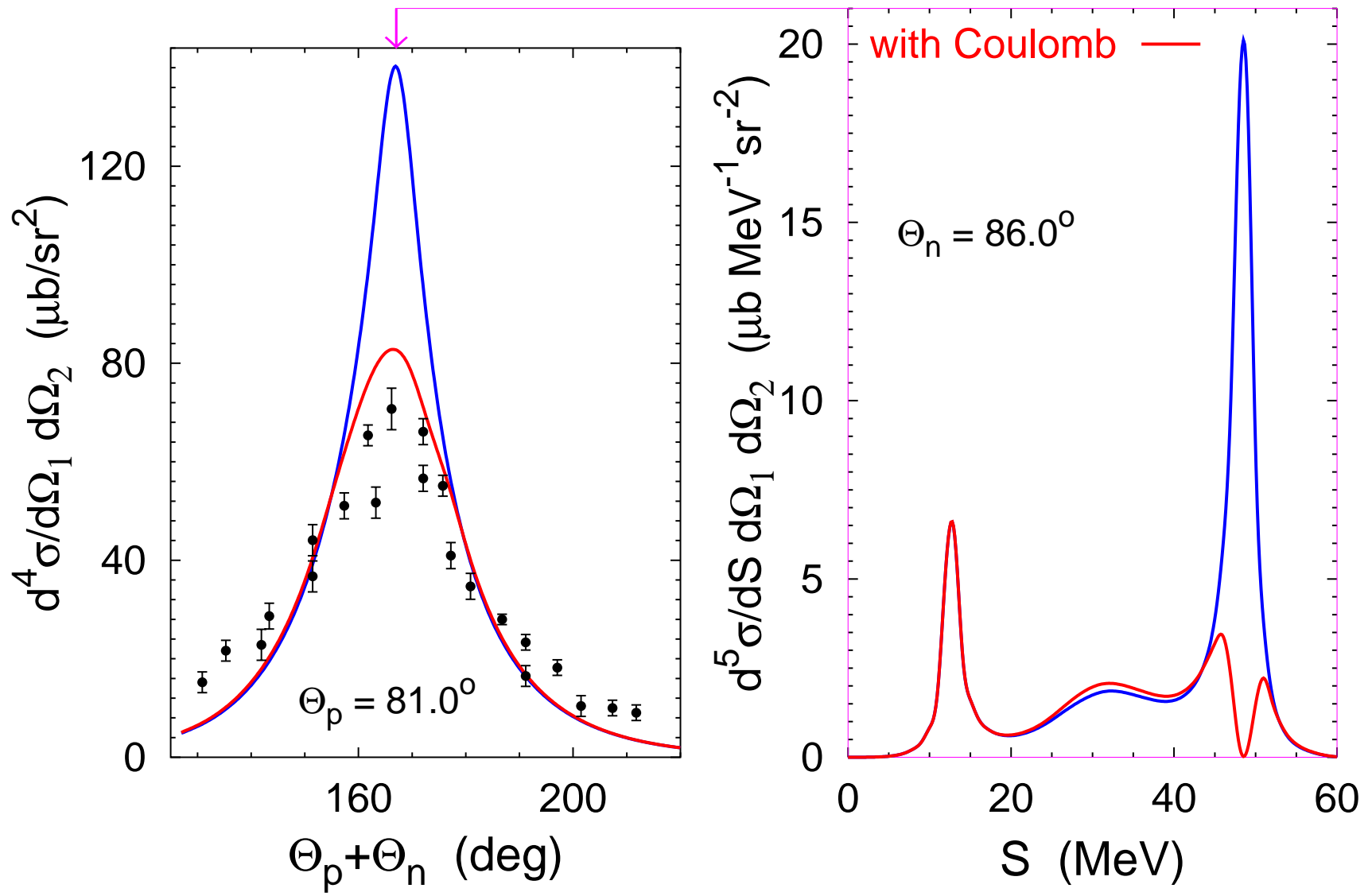
Nd breakup: space-star anomaly



dp breakup at $E_d = 130$ MeV



${}^3\text{He}(\gamma, pn)p$ at $E_\gamma = 55$ MeV



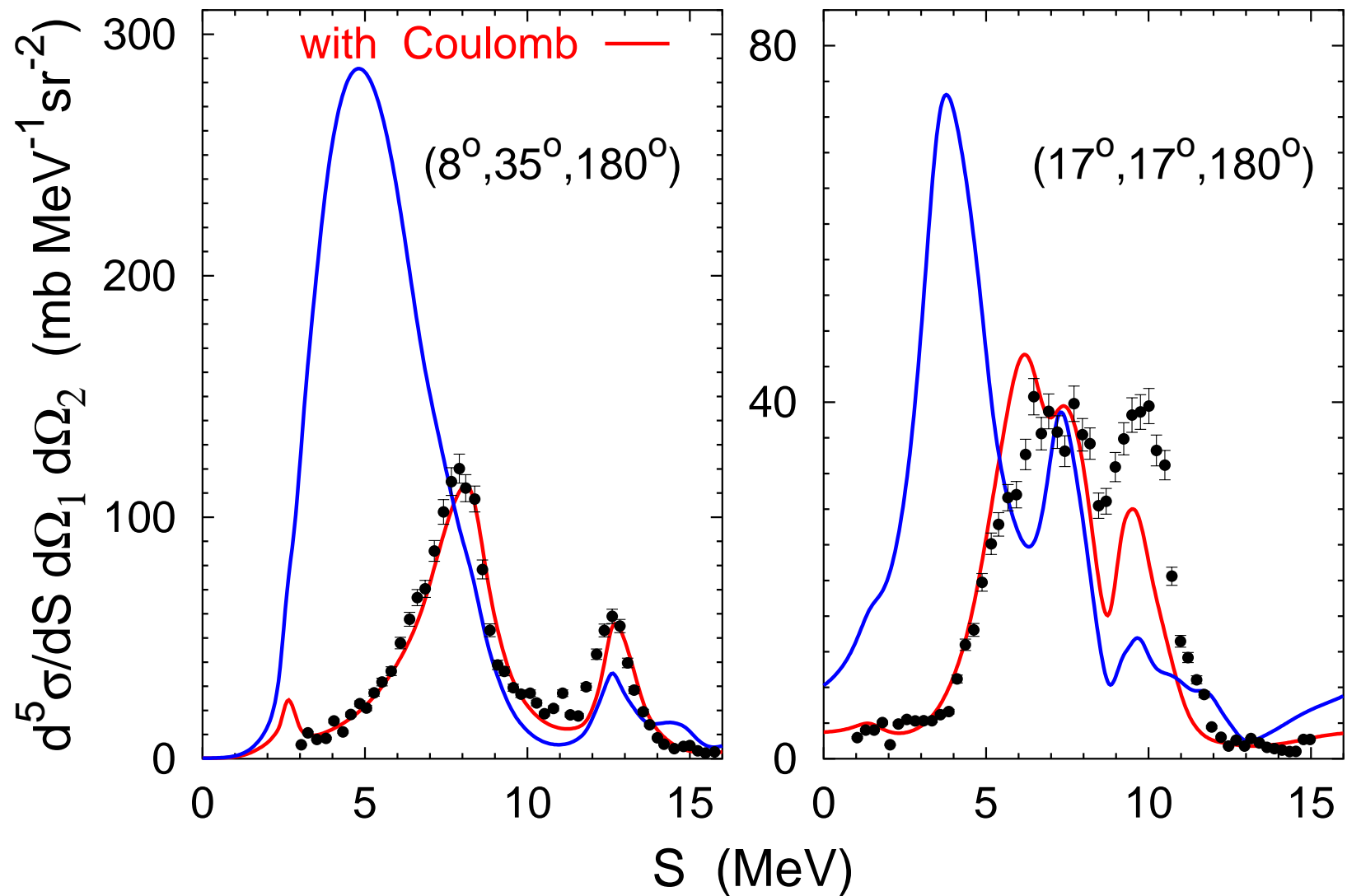
Application to 3-body nuclear reactions

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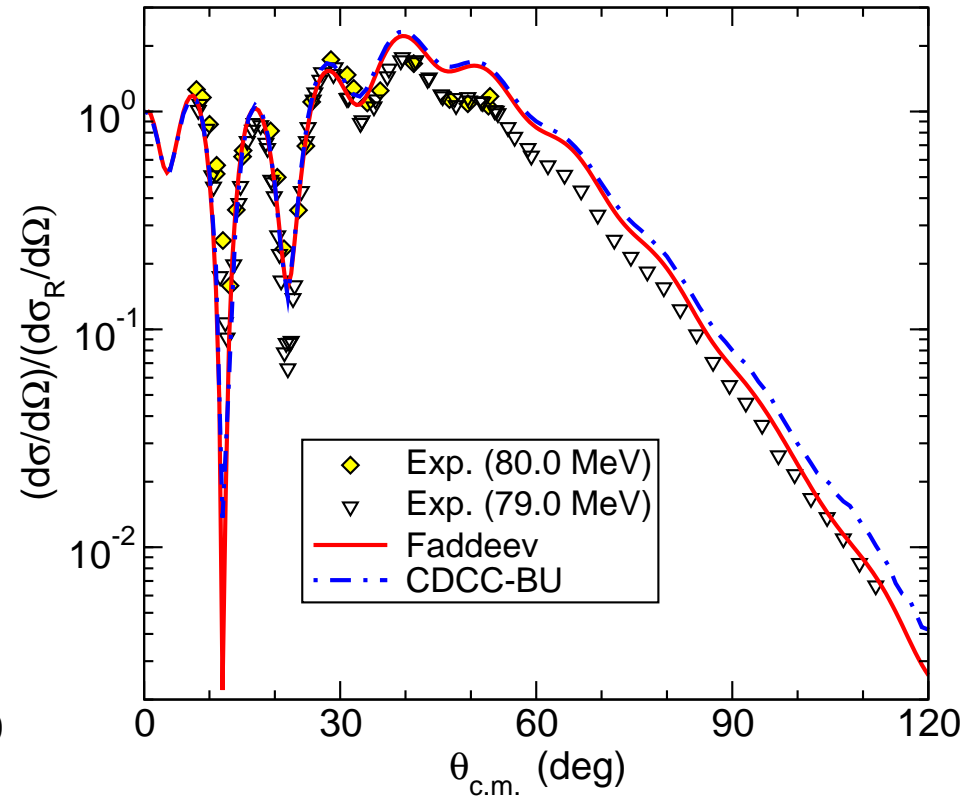
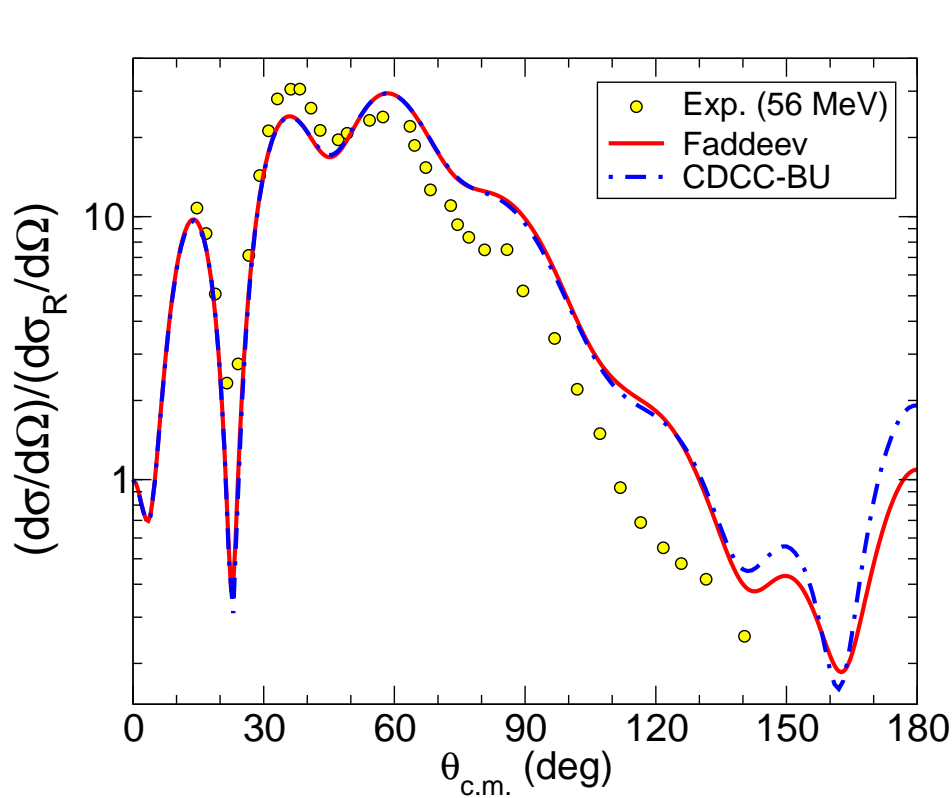
with $A = {}^4\text{He}, {}^{10}\text{Be}, {}^{12}\text{C}, {}^{58}\text{Ni}, \dots$

- Validity test of approximate nuclear reaction methods: CDCC, DWBA, ...

$d(\alpha, \alpha p)n$ at $E_\alpha = 15$ MeV

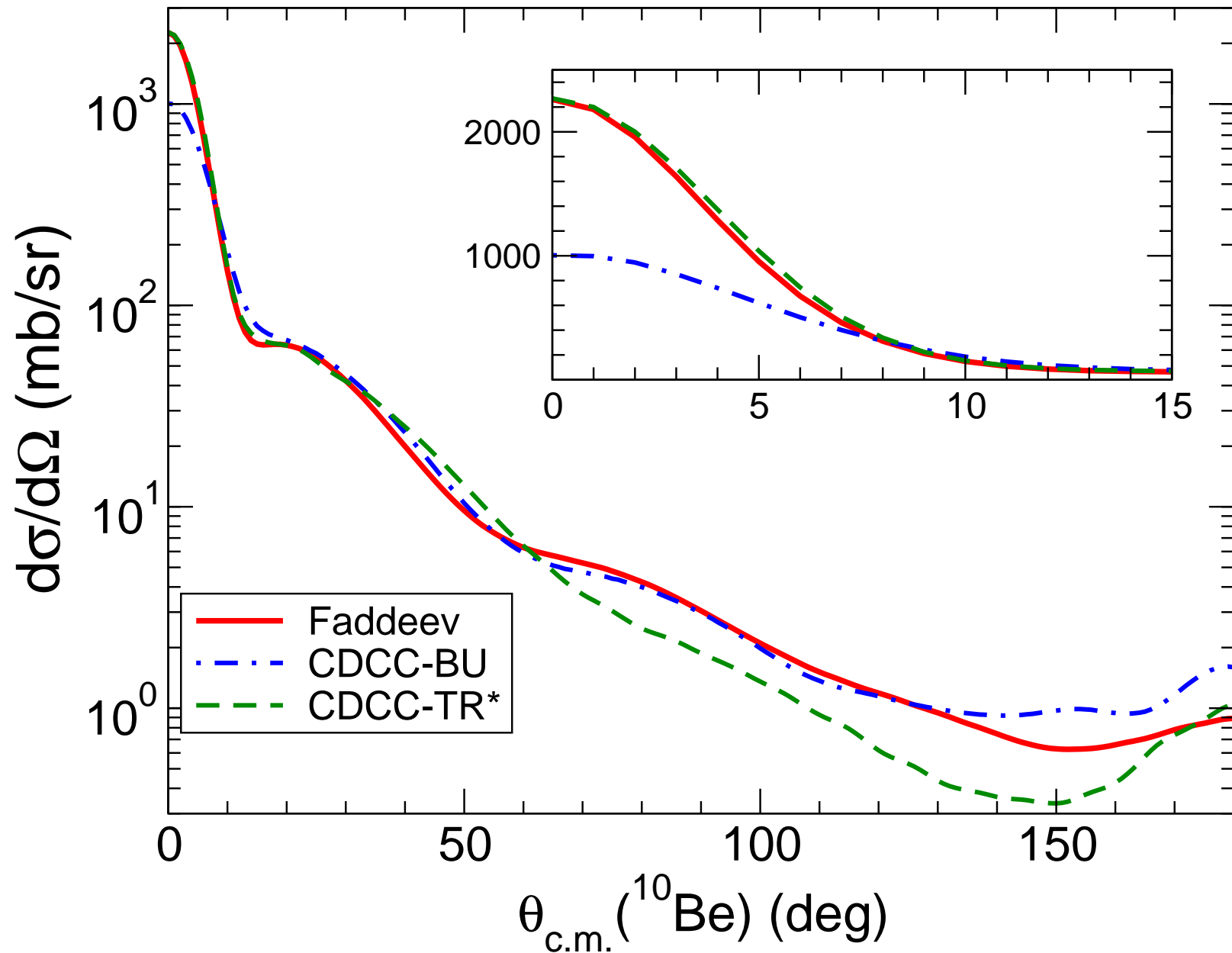


Testing CDCC: d - ^{12}C and d - ^{58}Ni elastic scattering



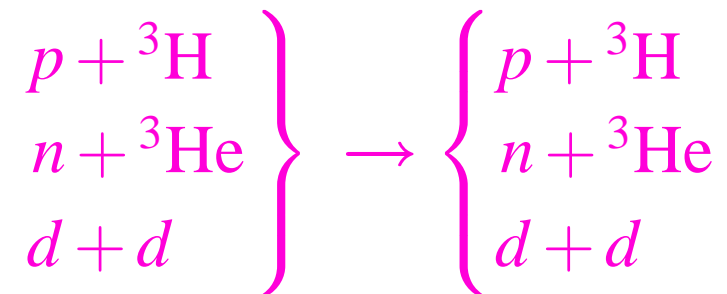
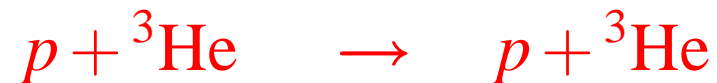
CDCC: A. M. Moro and F. M. Nunes

Testing CDCC: $p(^{11}\text{Be}, ^{10}\text{Be})np$ at $E/A = 38$ MeV



4N system

- “theoretical laboratory” to test models of nuclear interaction



4N scattering: symmetrized AGS equations

two-cluster **1+3** and **2+2** transition operators

$$\mathcal{U}_{11} = - (G_0 T G_0)^{-1} P_{34} - P_{34} U_1 G_0 T G_0 \mathcal{U}_{11} + U_2 G_0 T G_0 \mathcal{U}_{21}$$

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$$P_1 = P = P_{12} P_{23} + P_{13} P_{23}$$

$$P_2 = \tilde{P} = P_{13} P_{24}$$

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scattering amplitude $\mathcal{T}_{fi} = S_{fi} \langle \mathbf{p}_f \phi_f | \mathcal{U}_{fi} | \mathbf{p}_i \phi_i \rangle$

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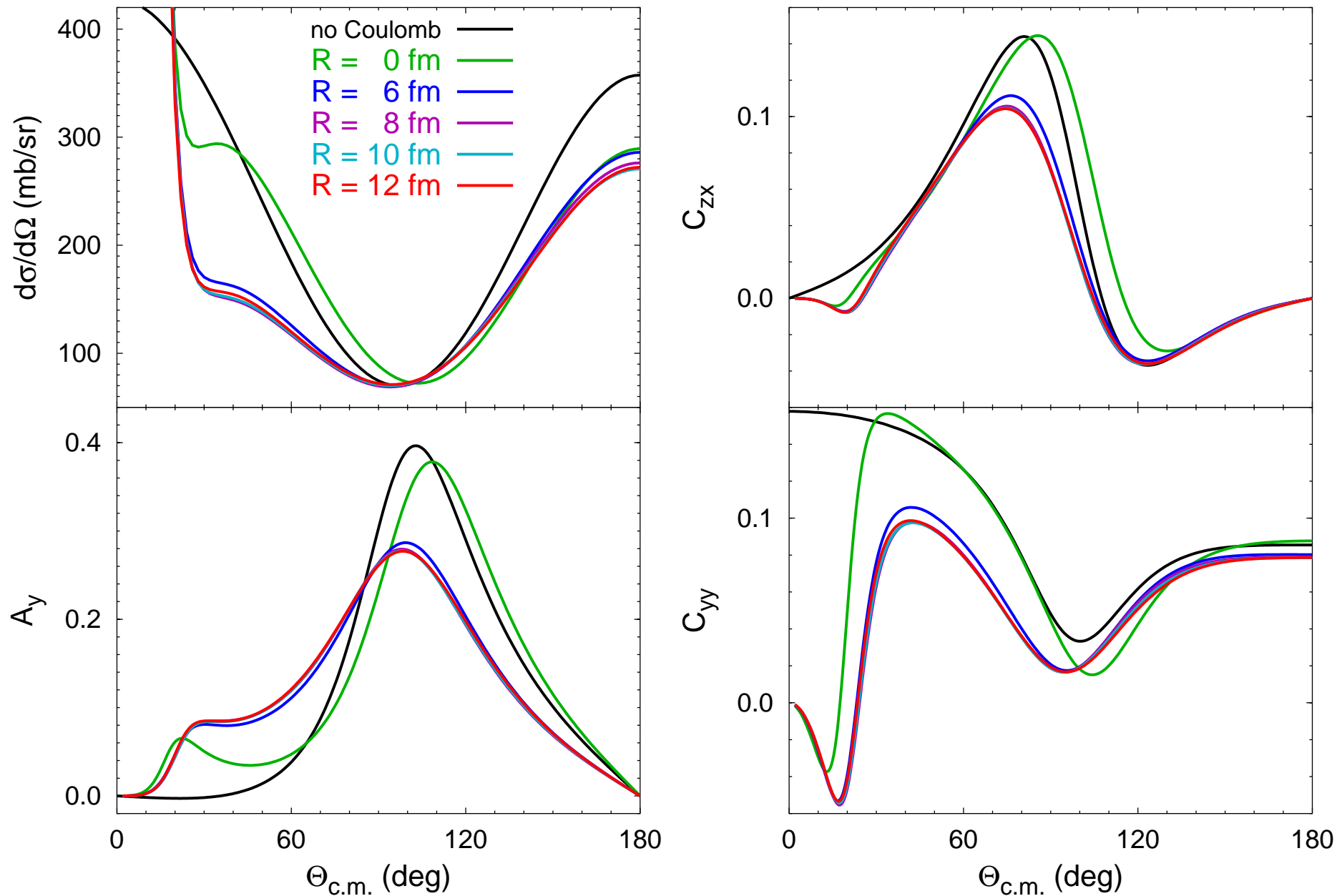


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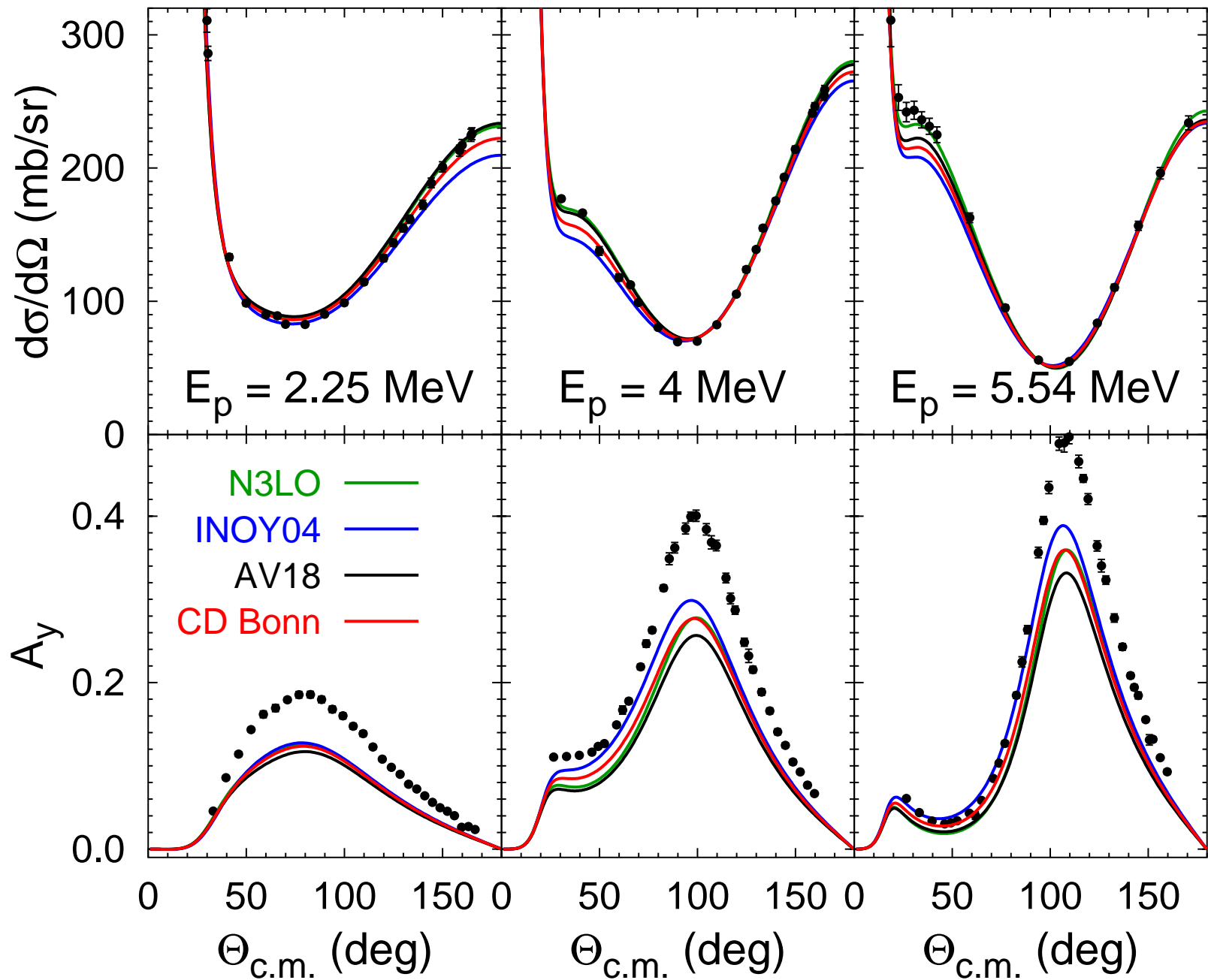
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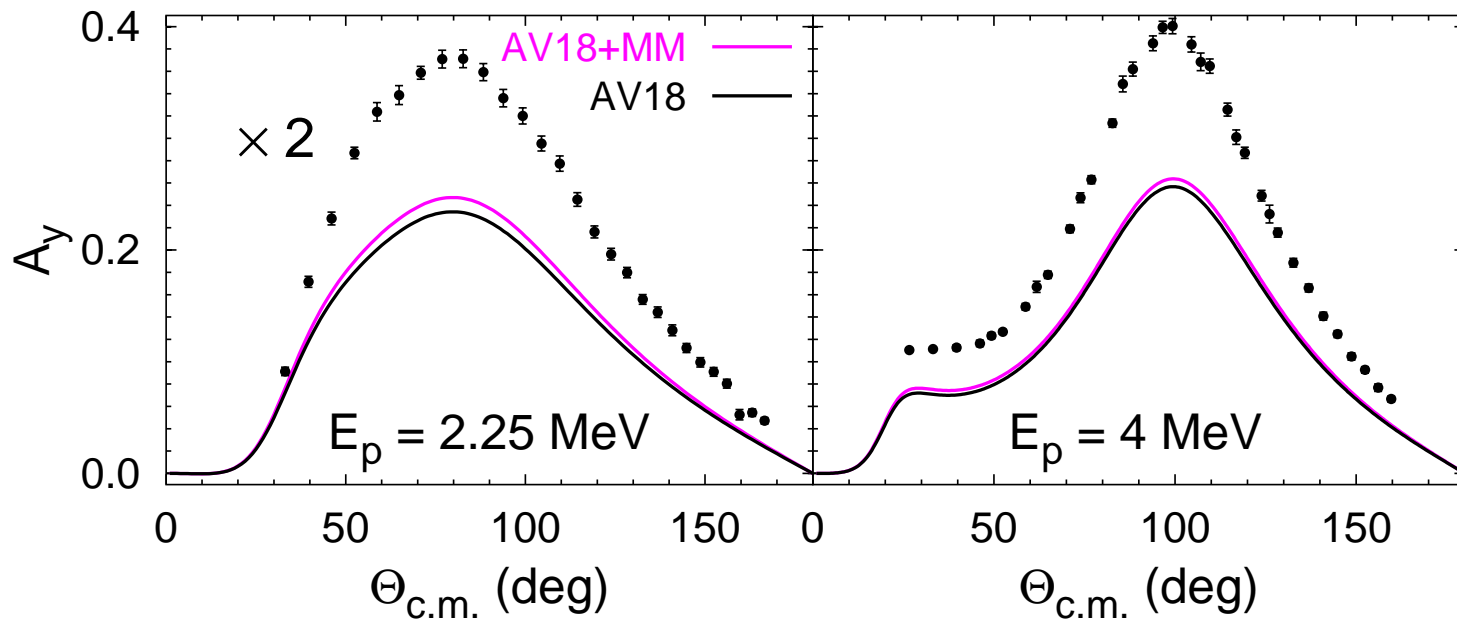
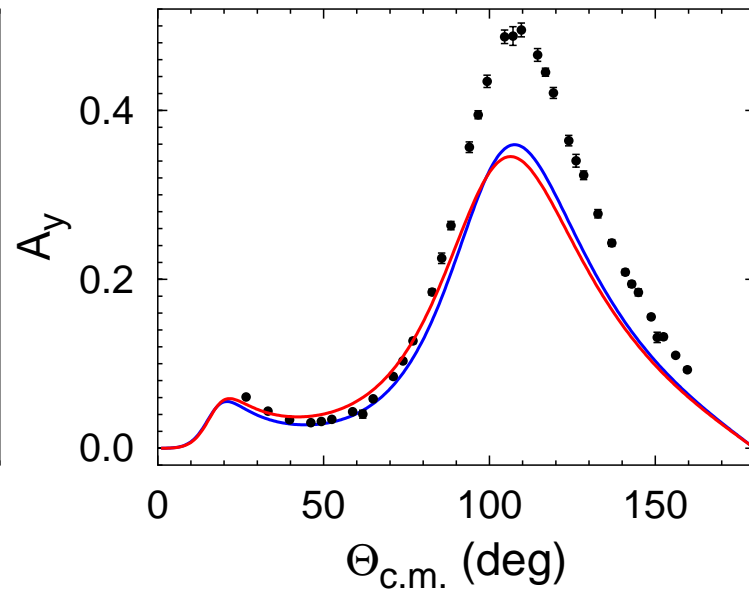
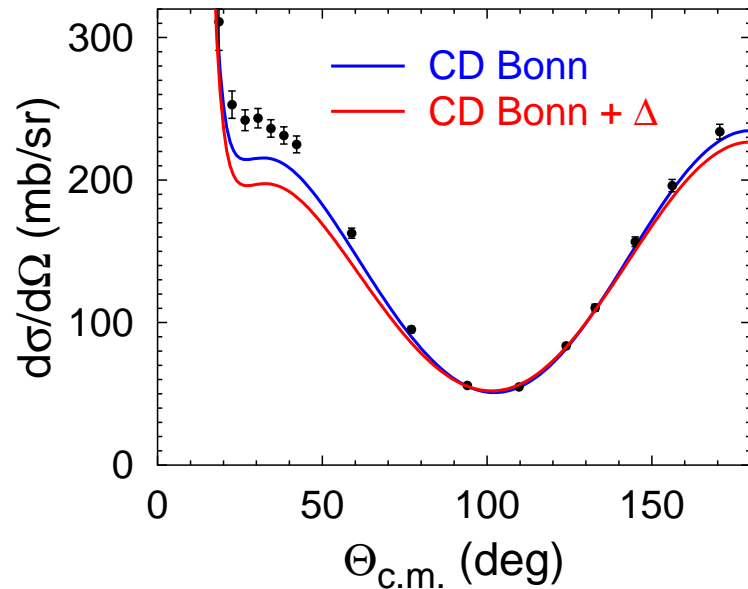
Convergence with R : p - ^3He scattering at $E_p = 4$ MeV



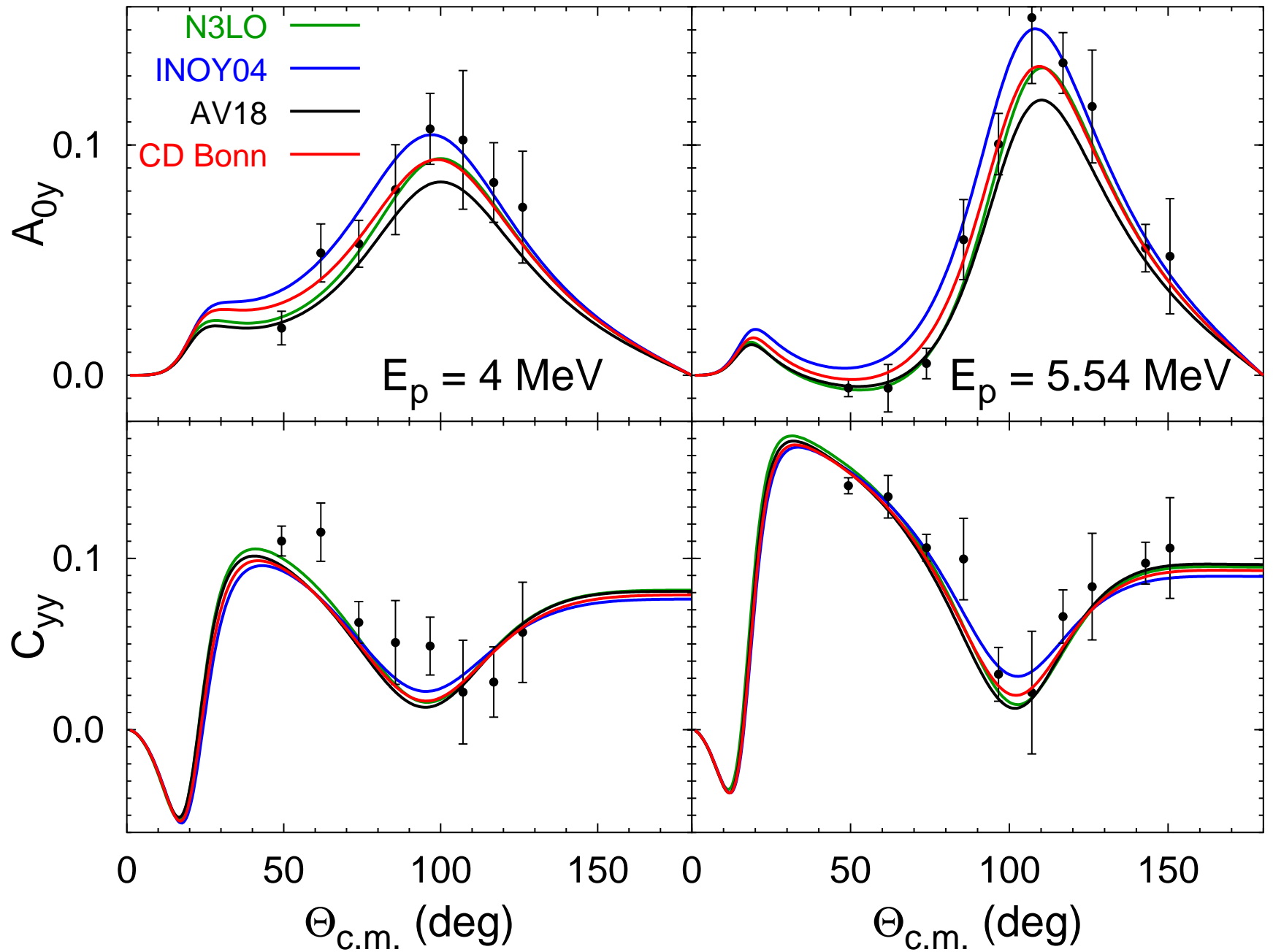
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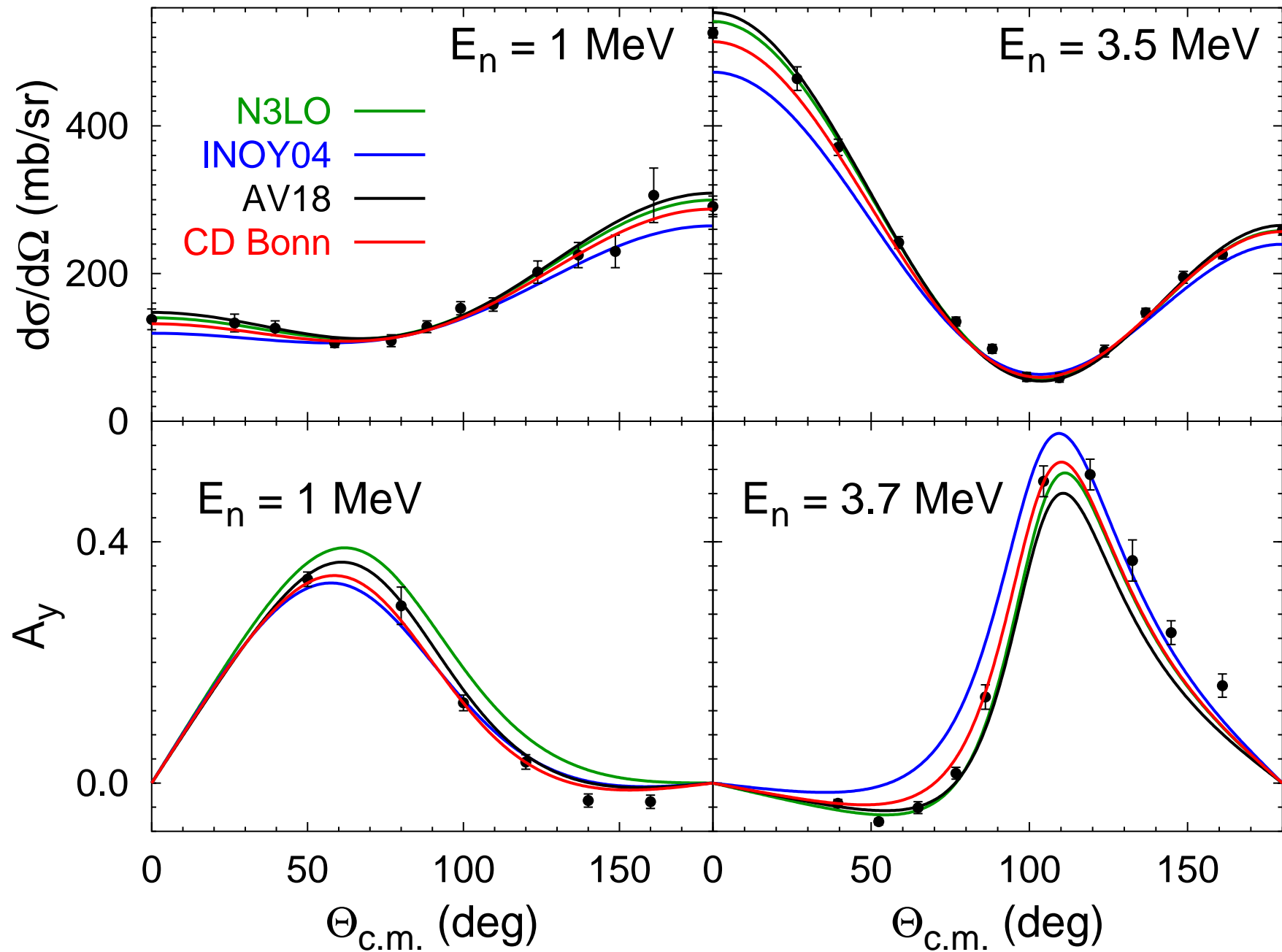
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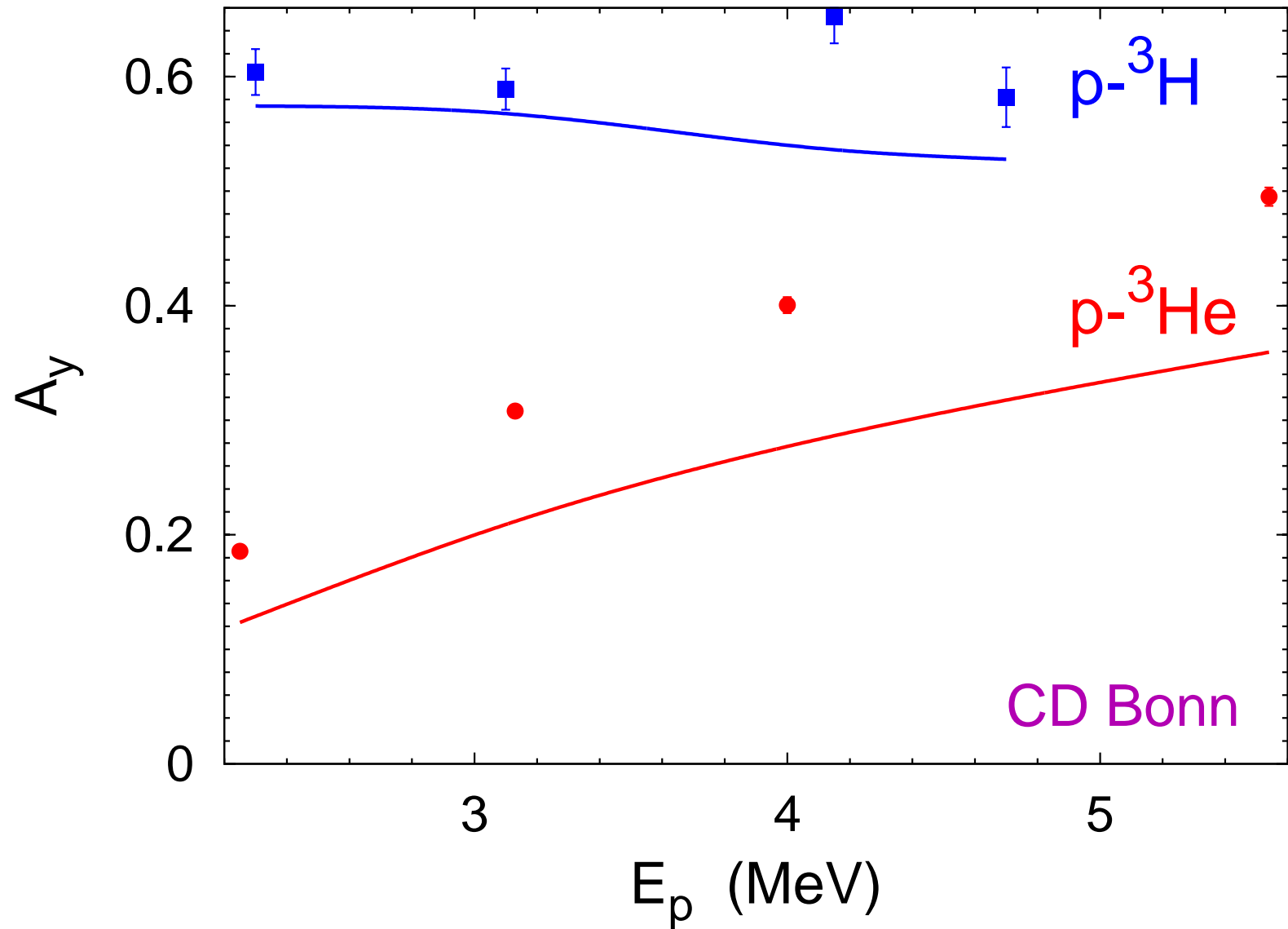
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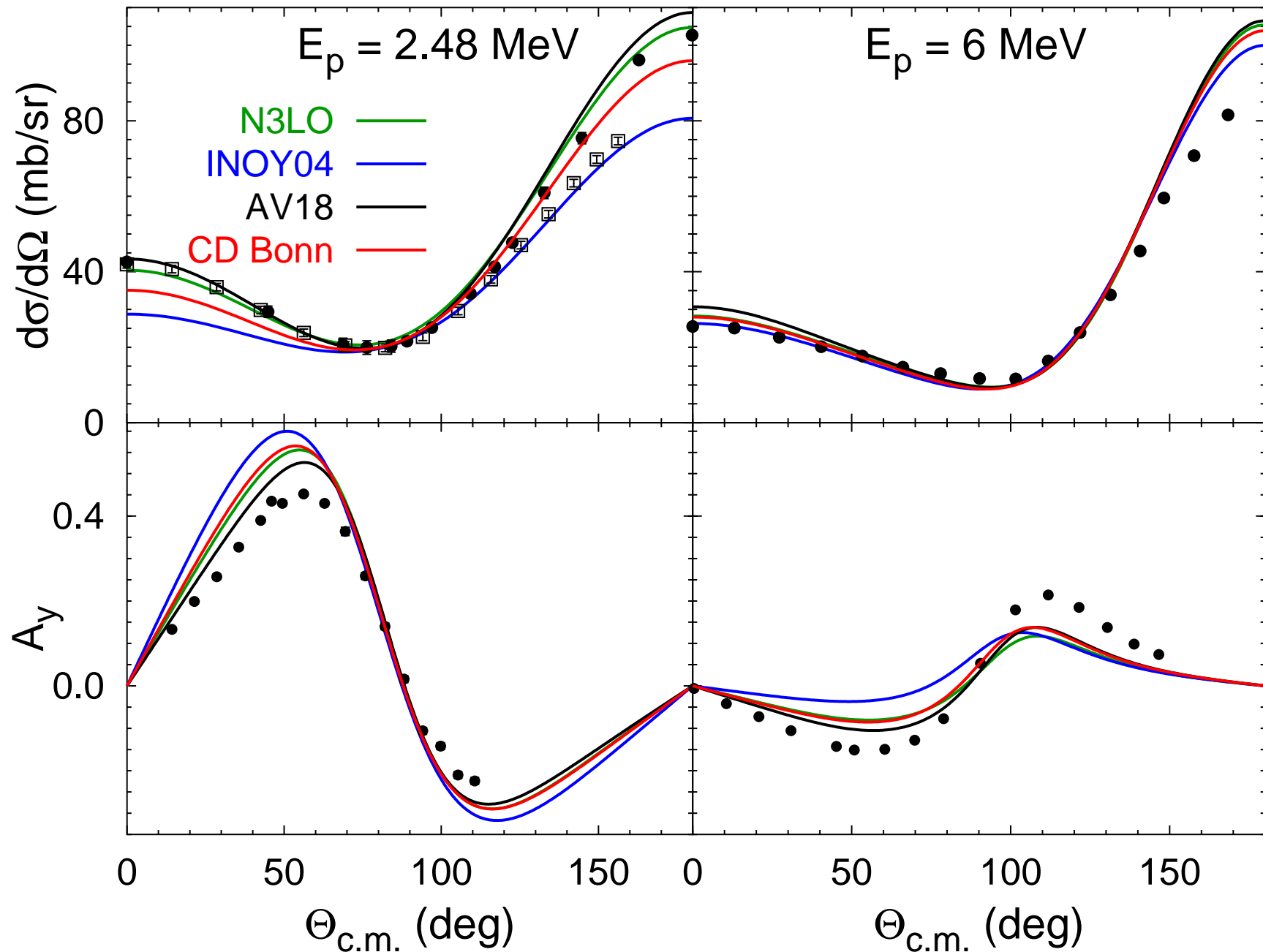
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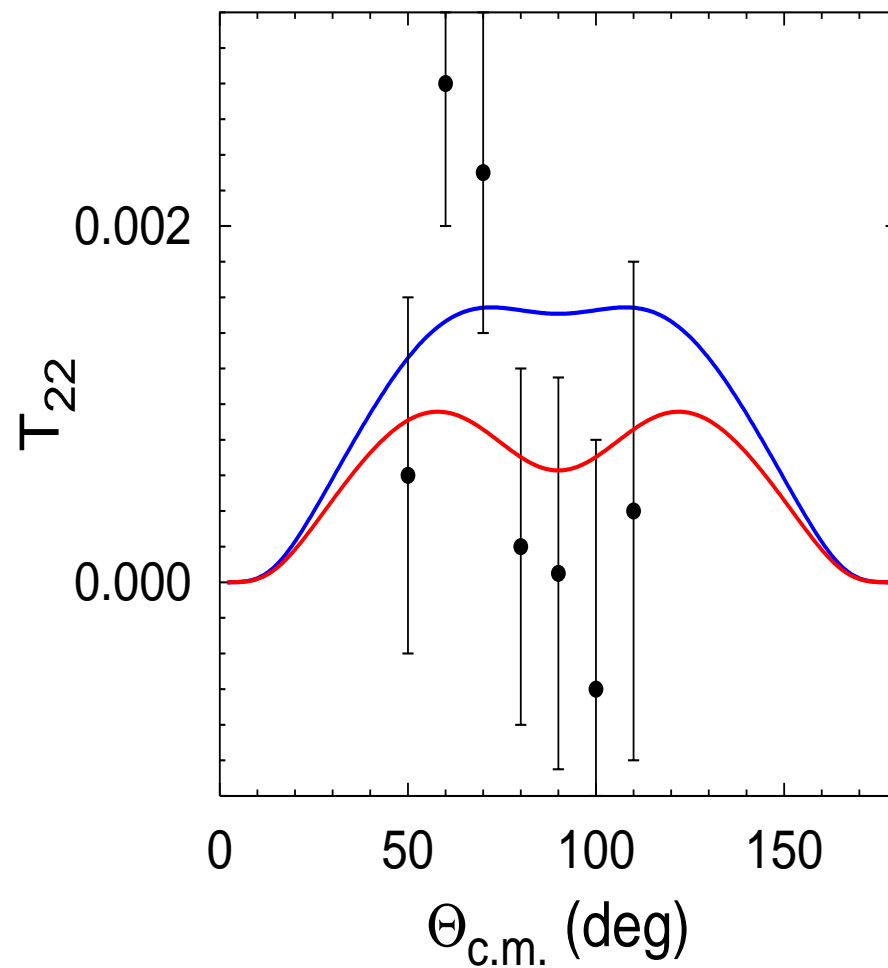
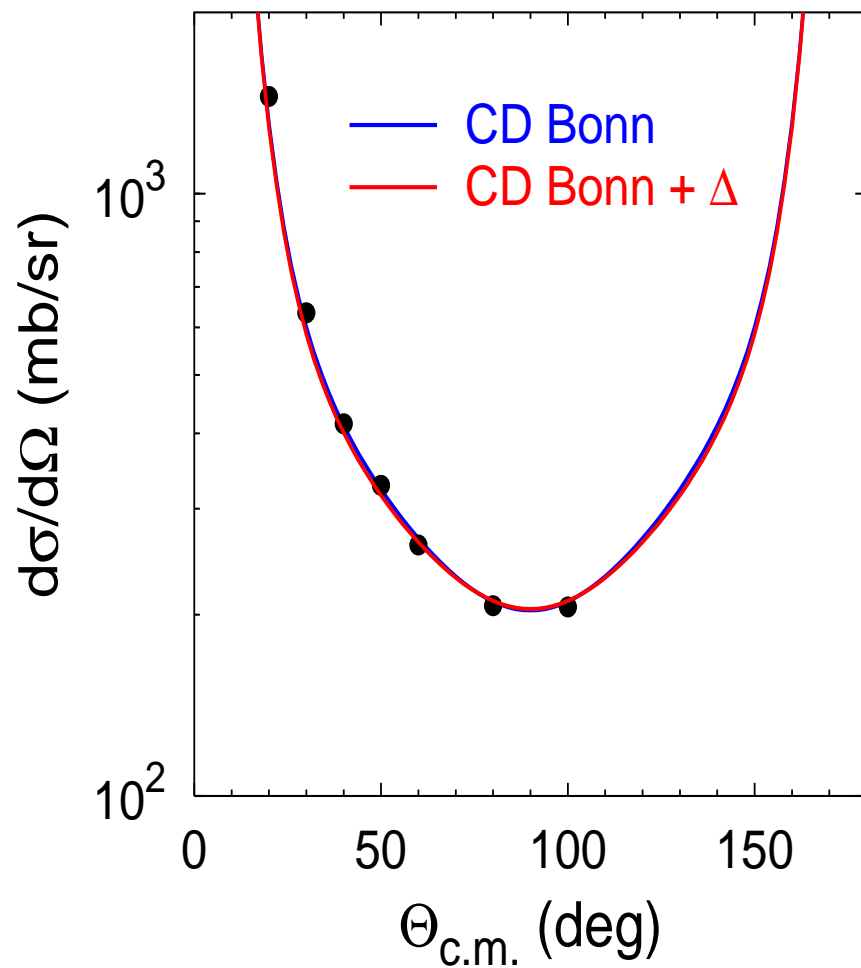
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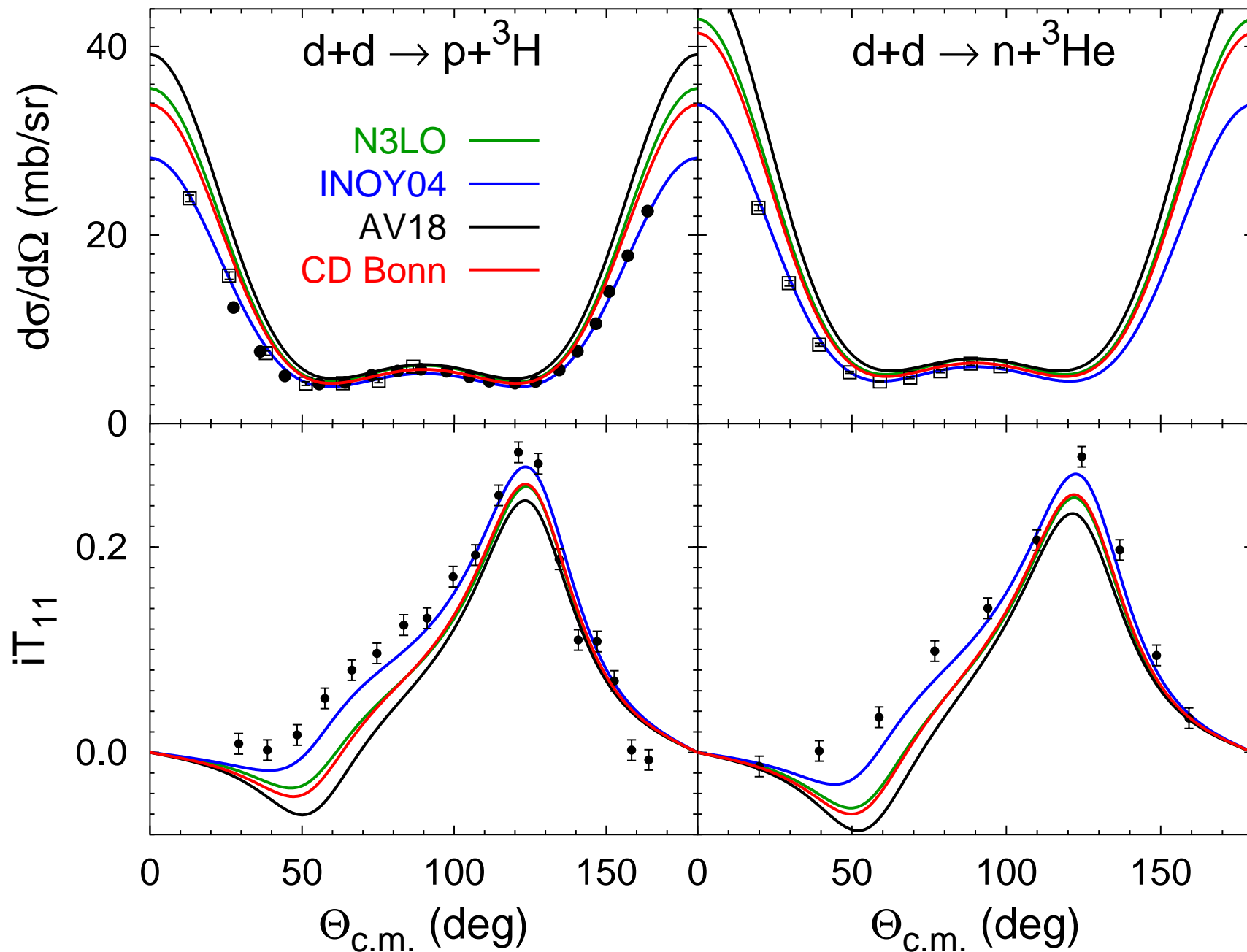
Transfer reaction $p + {}^3\text{H} \rightarrow n + {}^3\text{He}$



d - d elastic scattering at $E_d = 3$ MeV



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