

# $^3\text{He}$ (e,e') Response Functions in the Quasielastic Region

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The unpolarized (e,e') cross section is governed by the longitudinal and transverse response functions  $R_L(\omega, q)$  and  $R_T(\omega, q)$  induced by operators for nuclear charge  $\rho$  and current  $\mathbf{J}$ , respectively

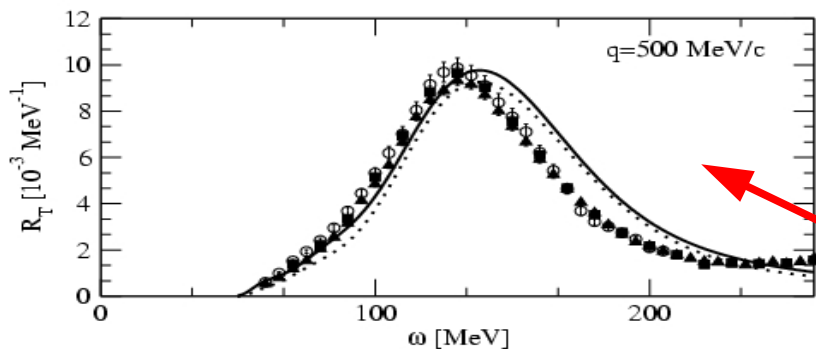
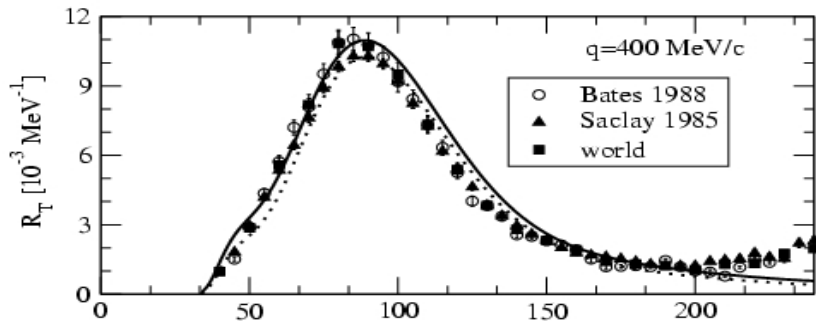
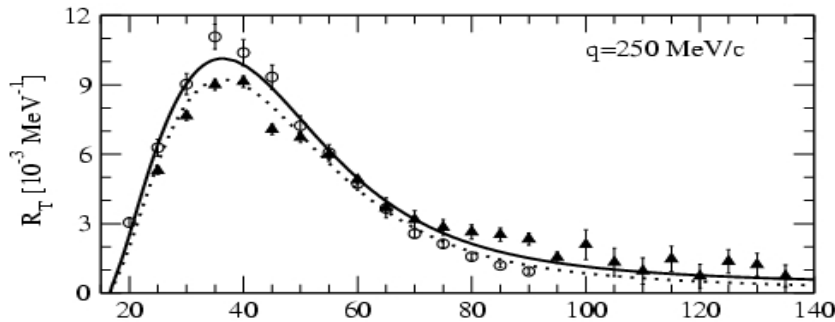
The quasielastic region is dominated by the one-body parts of  $\rho$  and  $\mathbf{J}$ , but relativistic contributions become increasingly important with growing momentum transfer  $q$

Our aim: non-rel. calculation + rel. corrections  
with realistic nuclear forces

following the lines of the d(e,e') calculations by Arenhövel et al.

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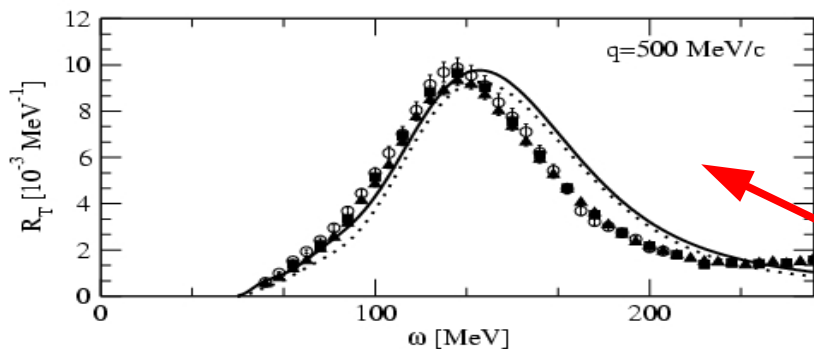
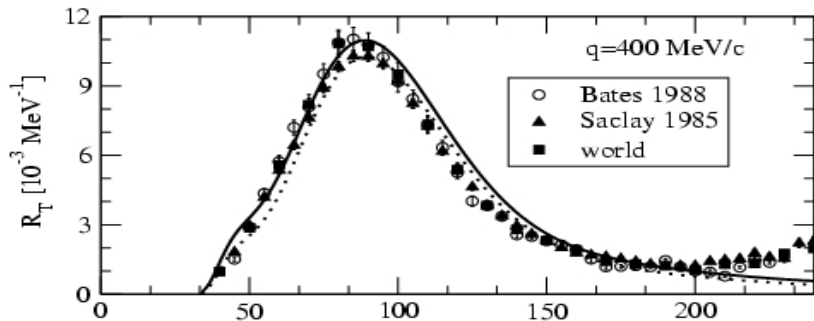
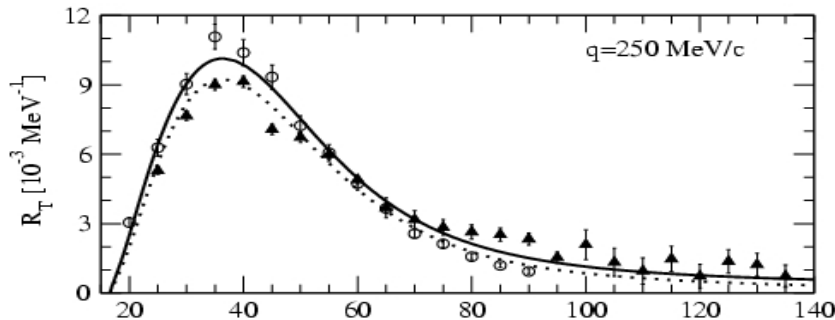
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(S. Della Monaca et al.,  
PRC 77, 044007 (2008))

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Quasi-elastic kinematics ( $q=500 \text{ MeV}/c$ ),  
Kinetic energy of outgoing nucleon:

non-rel. :  $T = q^2/2m = 133 \text{ MeV}$   
rel.:  $T = (m^2 + q^2)^{1/2} - m = 125 \text{ MeV}$

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We already considered this problem for  $R_L$  and studied  $R_L$  in various reference frames:

Laboratory:  $P_T = 0$

Breit:  $P_T = -q/2$

Anti-Lab:  $P_T = -q$

Active Nucleon Breit:  $P_T = -Aq/2$

non-rel.:  $\omega_{\text{frame}} + (P_T)^2/2Am = E_{\text{internal}} + (P_T+q)^2/2Am$

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## Frame dependence

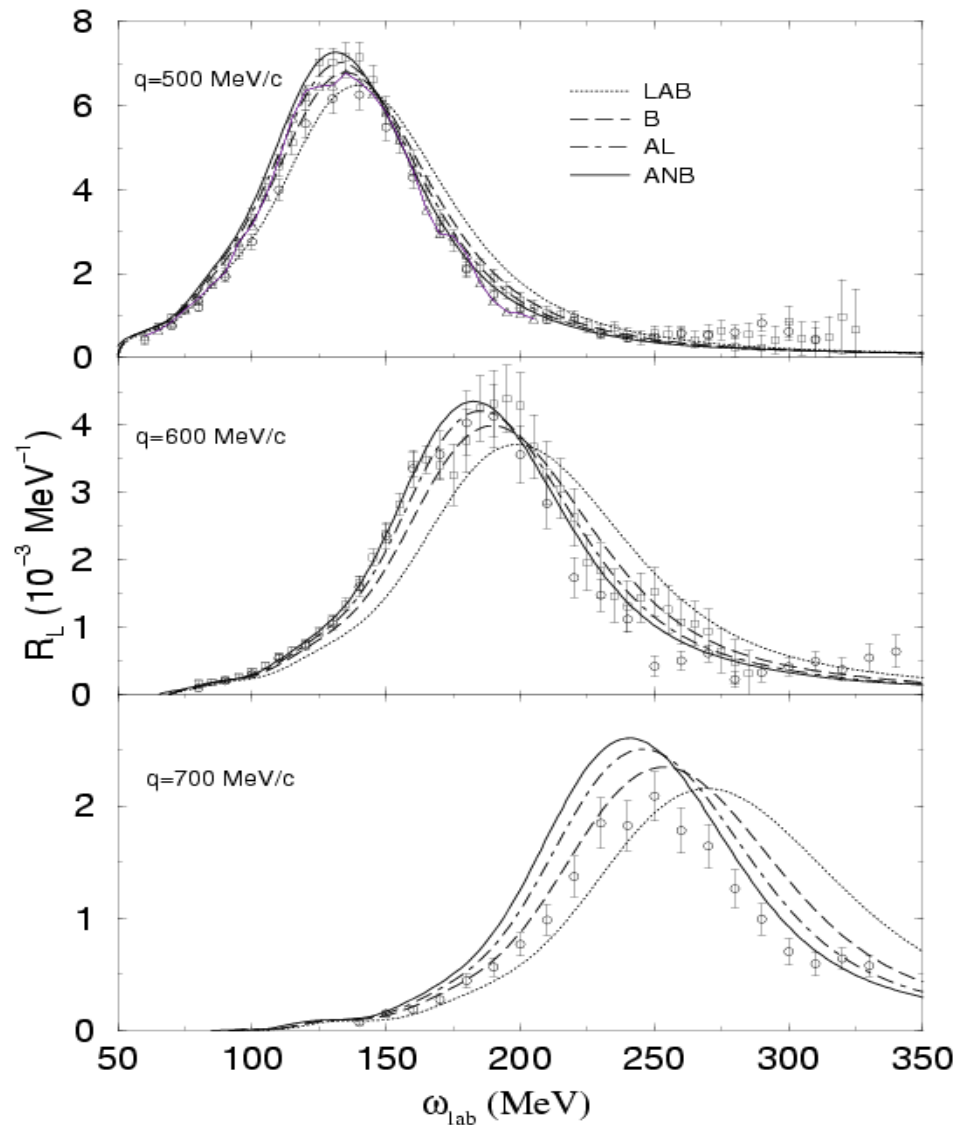
calculation in various frames:

- Laboratory:  $P_T = 0$
- Breit:  $P_T = -q/2$
- Anti-Lab:  $P_T = -q$
- Active Nucleon Breit:  $P_T = -Aq/2$

Potential: AV18+UIX

Result in LAB frame

$$R_L(\omega, q) = \frac{q^2}{(q_{fr})^2} \frac{E_T^{fr}}{M_T} R_L^{fr}(\omega^{fr}, q^{fr})$$



Exp: Marchand 1985, Dow 1988, Carlson 2002

# How to get more frame independent results?

Assume quasi-elastic kinematics:

whole energy and momentum transfer taken by the knocked out nucleon (residual two-body system is in its lowest energy state)

- ⇒ Effective two-body problem
- Treat kinematics relativistically correct

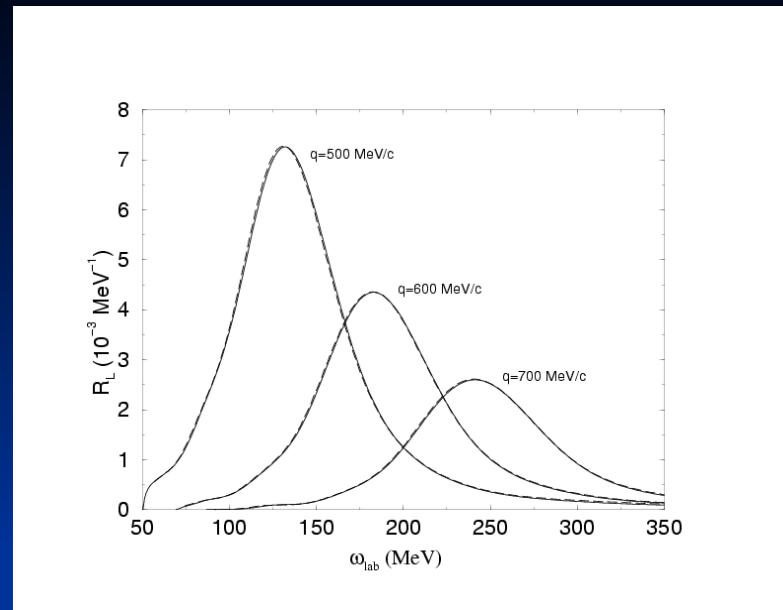
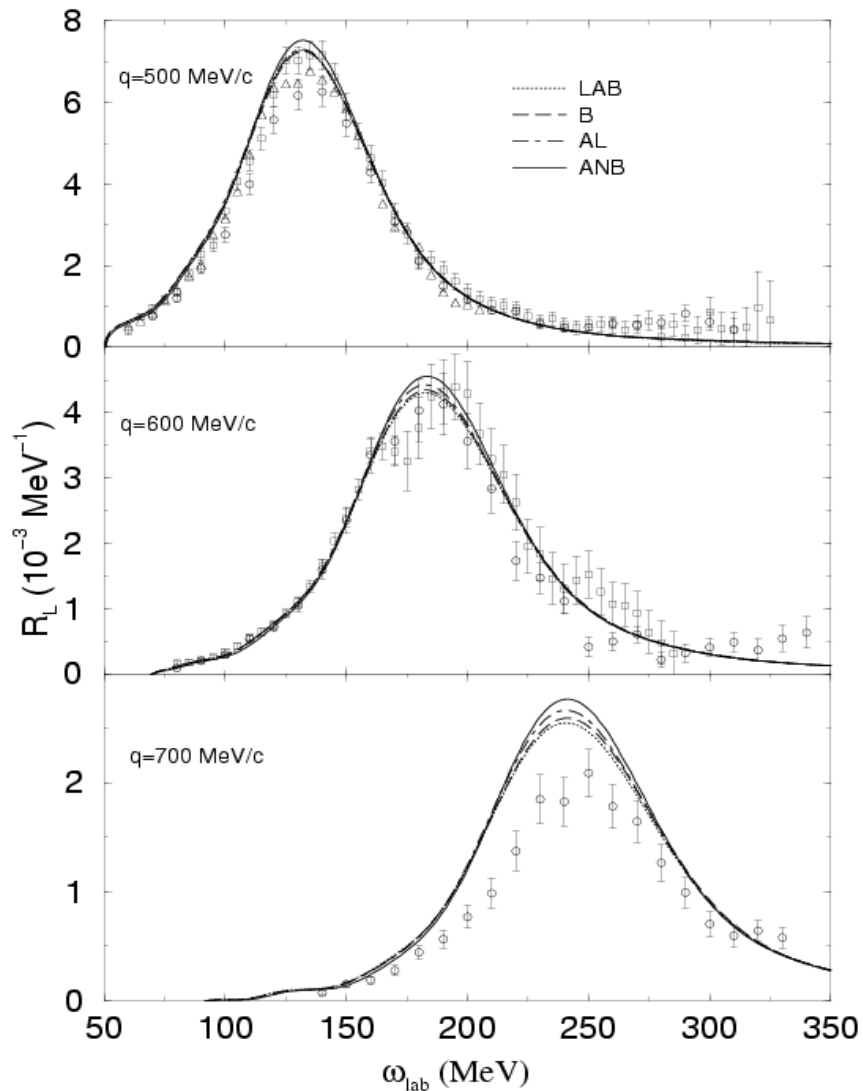
Take the correct relativistic relative momentum  $k_{\text{rel}}$  and calculate the corresponding non-relativistic relative energy

$$E_{\text{nr}} = (k_{\text{rel}})^2/2\mu$$

with reduced mass  $\mu$  of nucleon and residual system

use  $E_{\text{nr}}$  as internal excitation energy in your calculation

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$R_L$  calculated in ANB frame with (dashed) and without (full) assumption of a two-body break-up

Quasielastic region: assume two-body break-up and use the **correct relativistic relative momentum**

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- **Multipole expansion** of current (maximal  $j_f$   $q$  dependent, e.g.  $j_f = 35/2$  for  $q = 700$  MeV/c)

# Further calculation details

## The current operator $\mathbf{J}$

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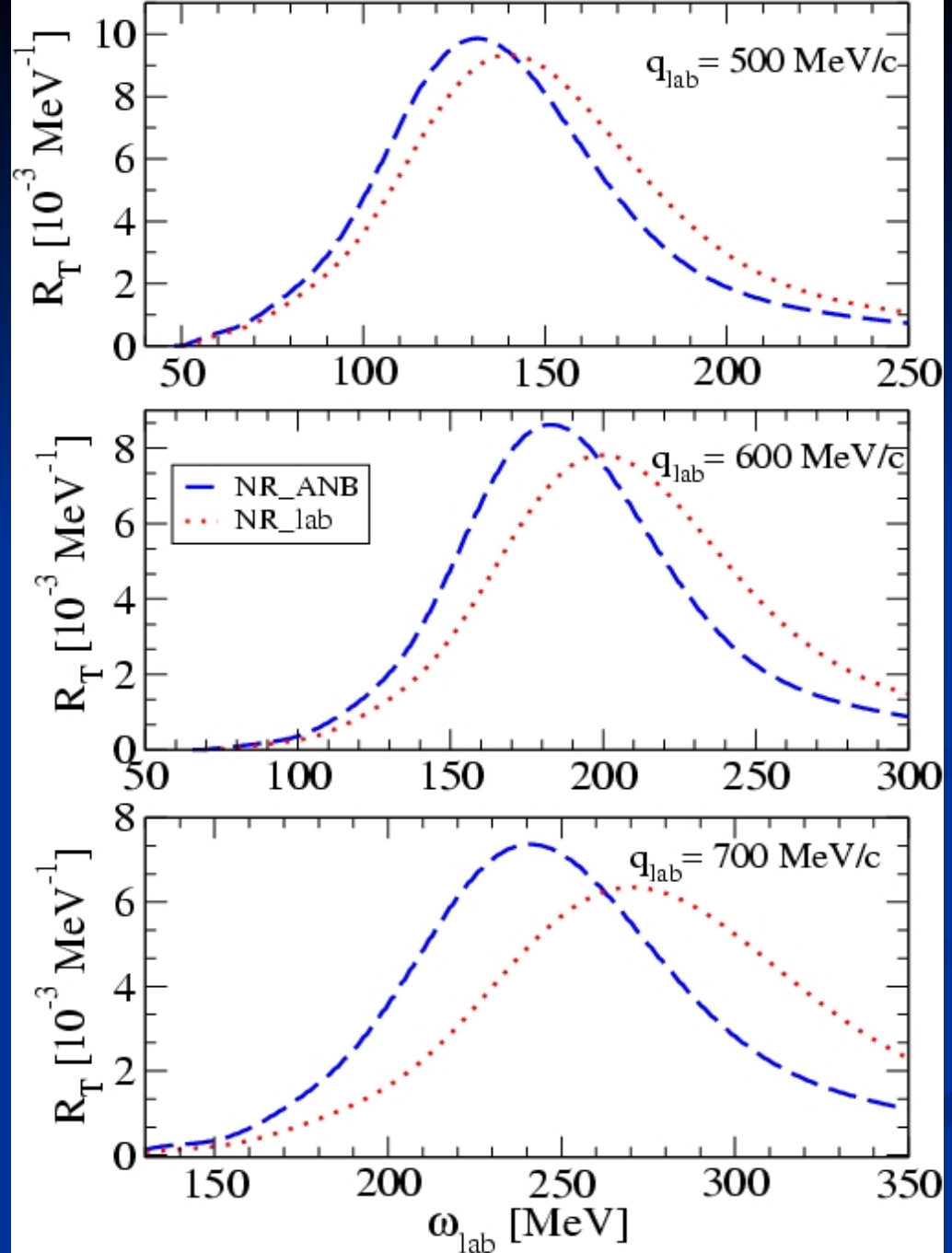
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## Transformation from ANB frame to LAB frame

$$R_T^{LAB}(\omega^{LAB}, q^{LAB}) = R_T^{ANB}(\omega^{ANB}, q^{ANB}) E_T^{ANB}/M_T$$

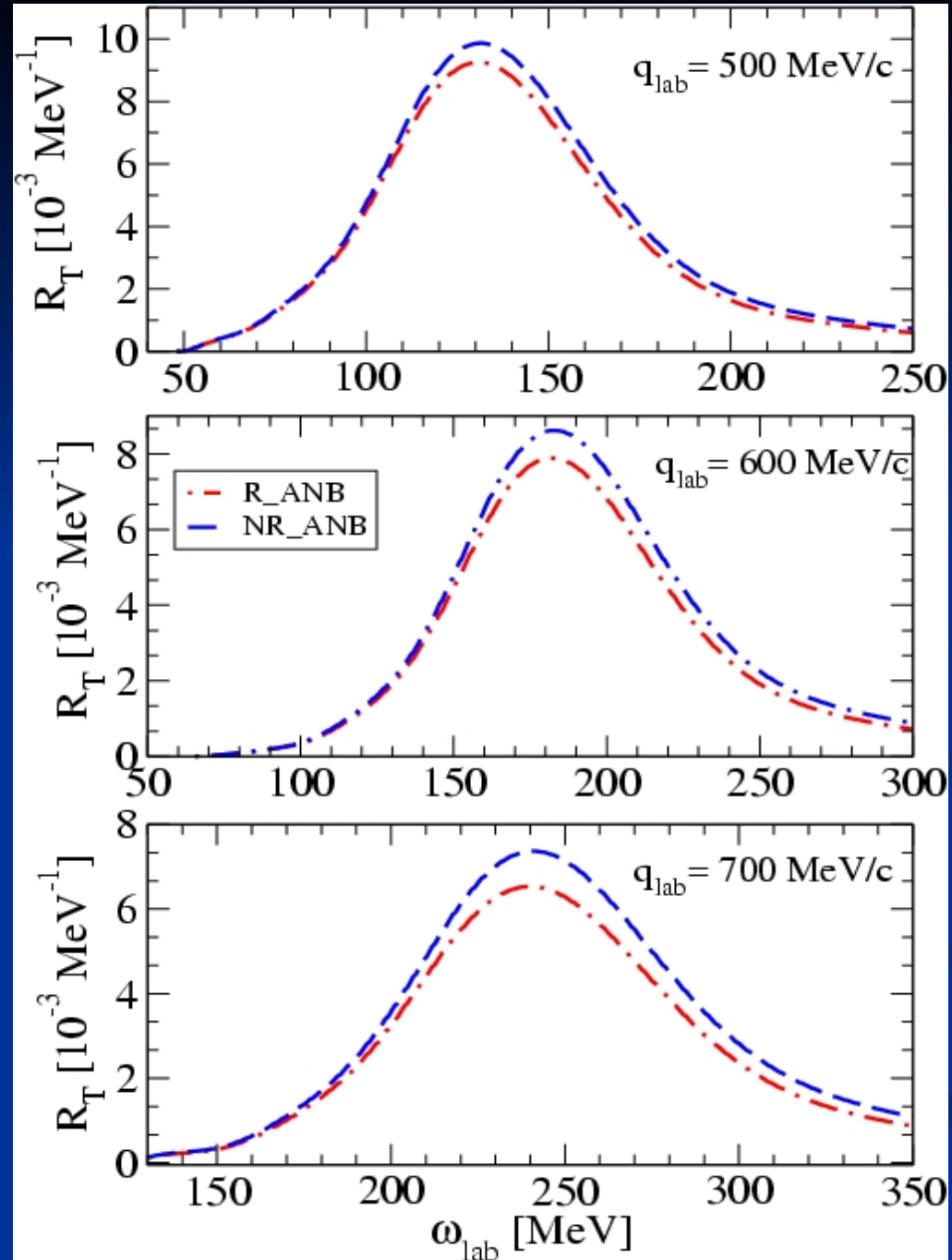
# Results

◆ Comparison of ANB and LAB calculation: strong shift of peak to lower energies!  
(8.7, 16.7, 29.3 MeV at  $q=500, 600, 700$  MeV/c)



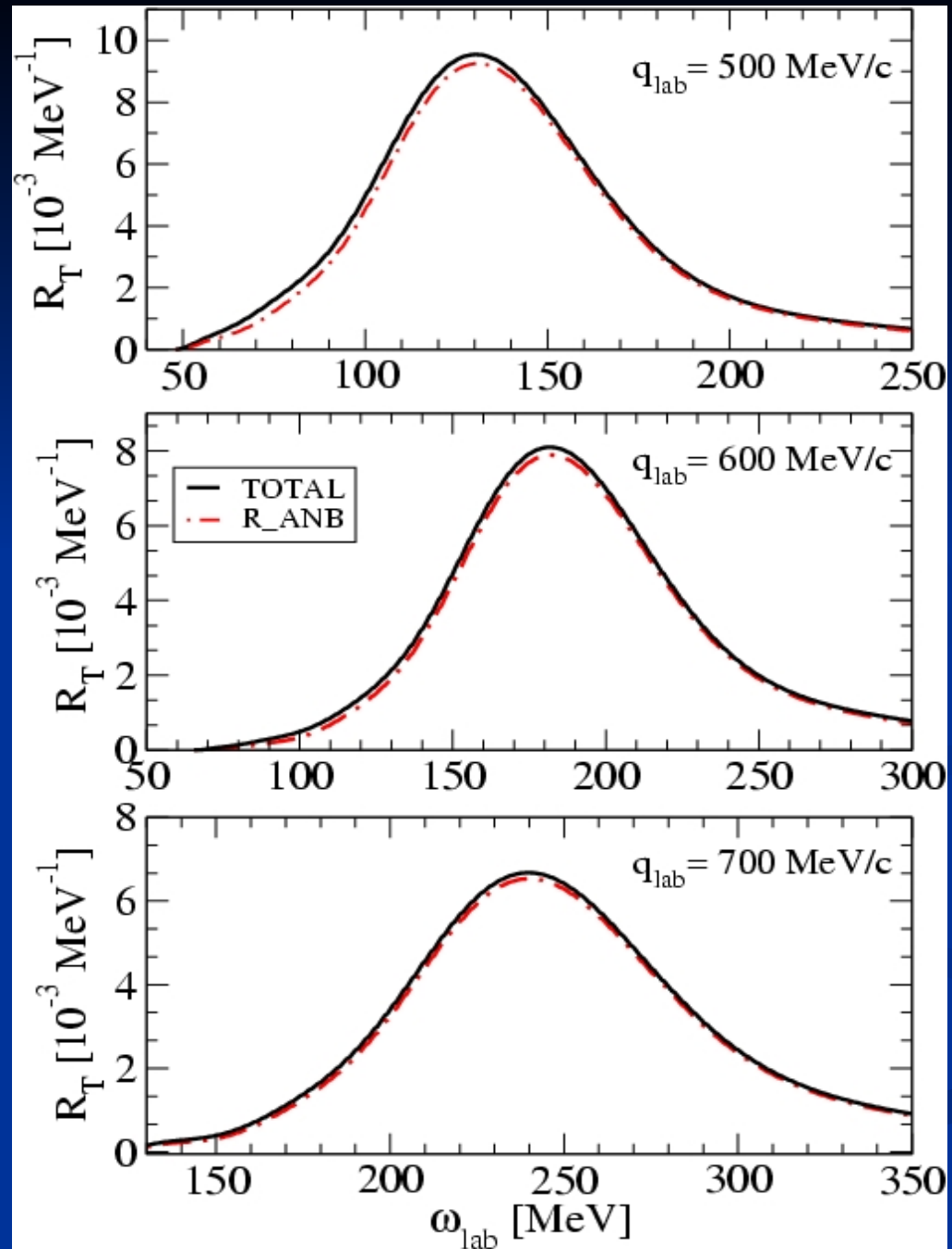
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- Rel. contribution:  
reduction of peak  
height  
(6.2%, 8.5%, 11.3 % at  
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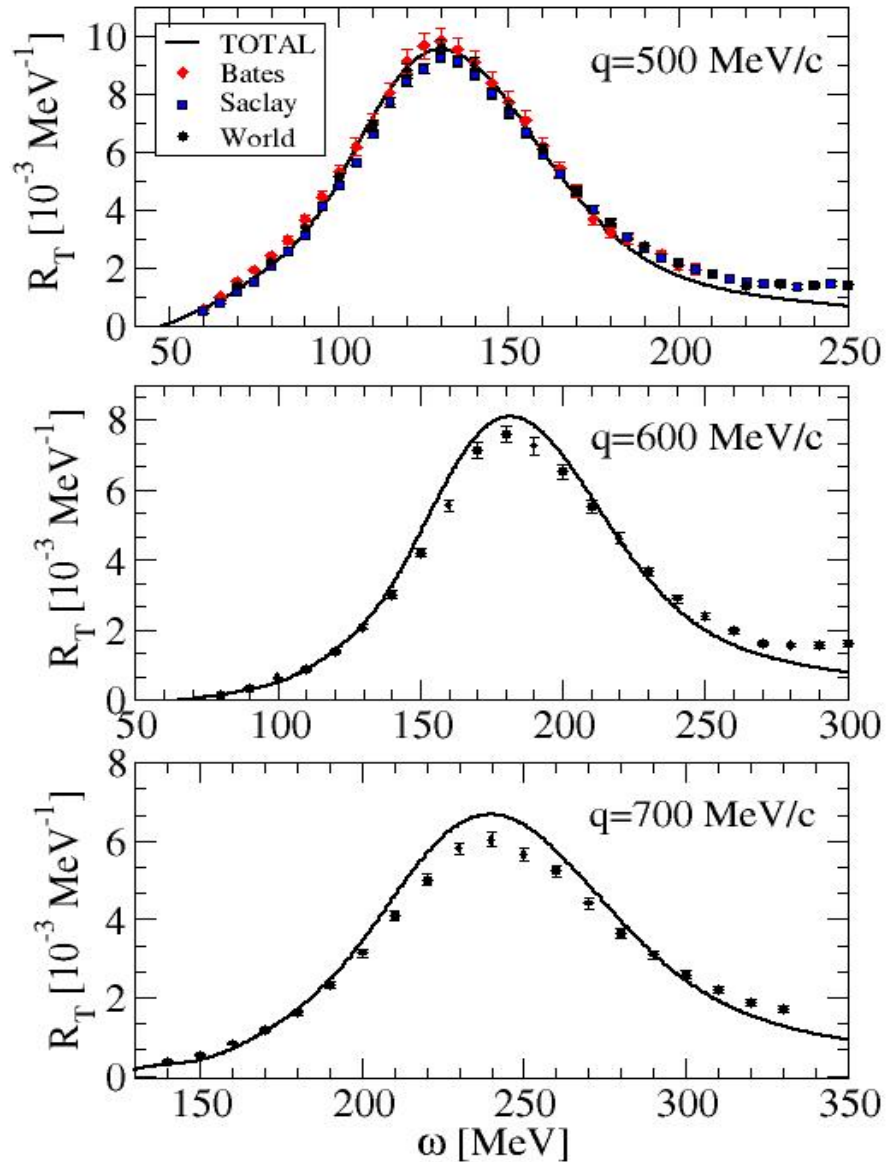
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- MEC:
  - small increase of peak height (3.2%, 2.7%, 2.2% at  $q=500, 600, 700$  MeV/c)

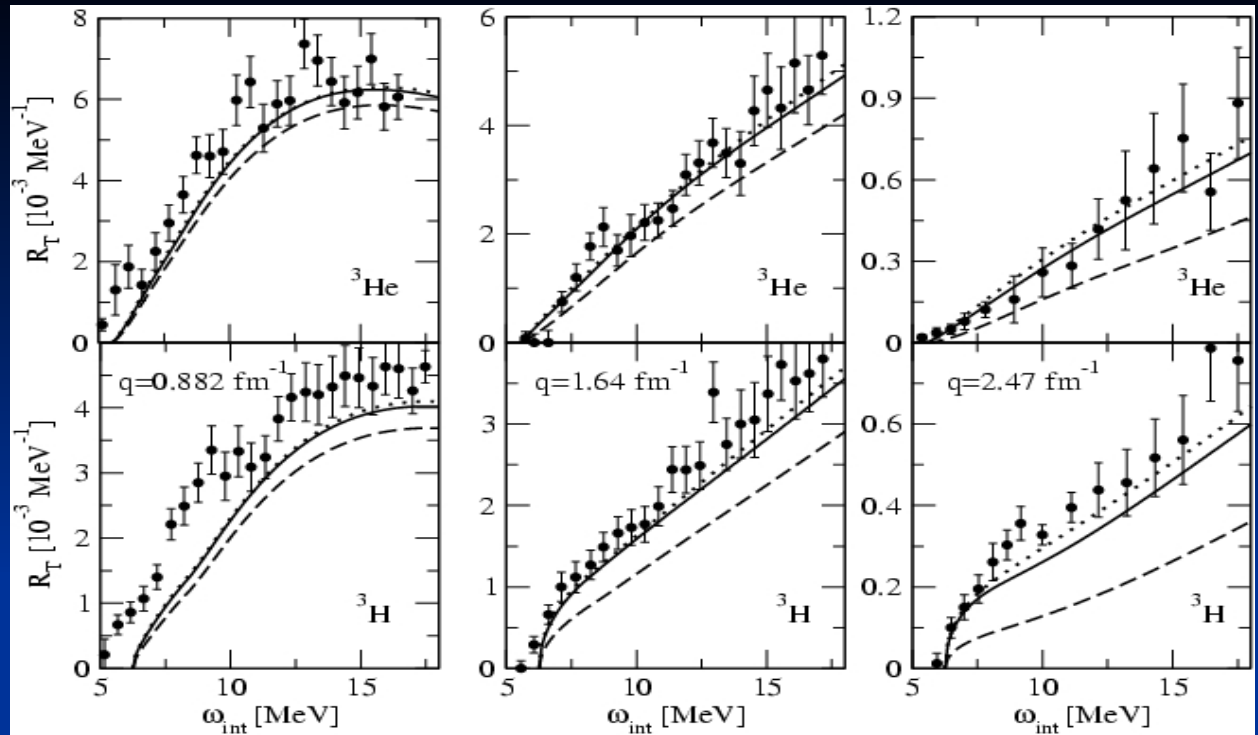


# Results

Comparison with  
experiment



NR:           dashed  
 NR+MEC: dotted  
 Rel.+MEC: full



$q = 174 \text{ MeV}/c$

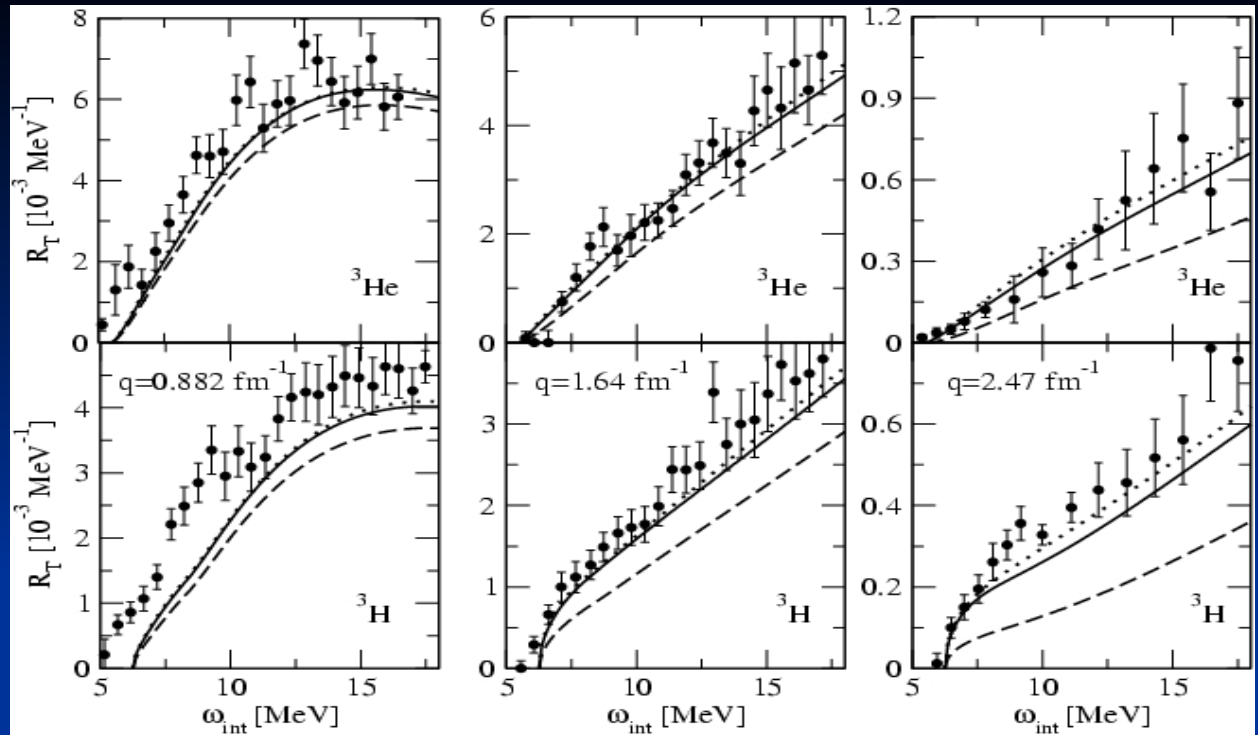
$q = 324 \text{ MeV}/c$

$q = 487 \text{ MeV}/c$

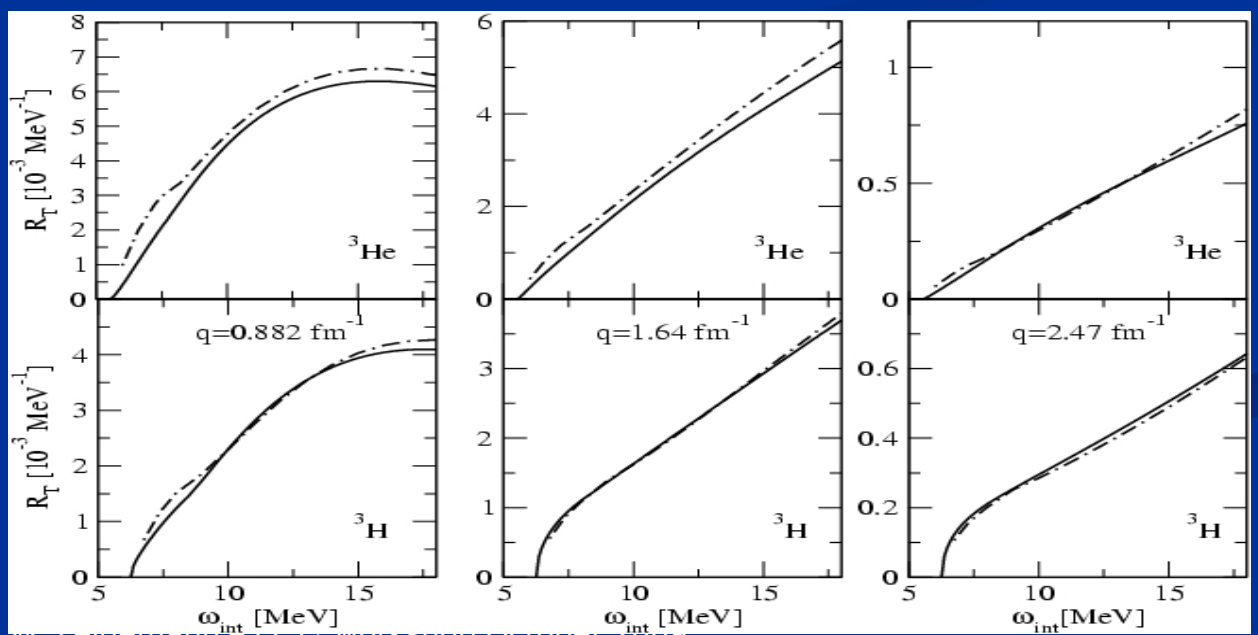
## $R_T$ close to break-up threshold

(Few-Body Syst., in print; arXiv:0906.0663)

NR+MEC: dotted  
 Rel.+MEC: full



Golak et al.: dash-dotted  
 our NR+MEC calc.: full



# Conclusion

Comparison of theory and experiment for  $R_T$   
in quasielastic region:

- Excellent agreement of peak positions
- Good agreement of peak height at  $q=500$  MeV/c and increasing overestimation with growing  $q$  (10% at  $q=700$  MeV/c)
- Relativistic effects are important at  $q \geq 500$  MeV/c
- MEC contribution is rather small at  $q \geq 500$  MeV/c

Improvement of theory and experiment by consideration of additional rel. effects (wave function boost, dynamical effects)?