

Ab Initio Nucleon-Nucleus scattering

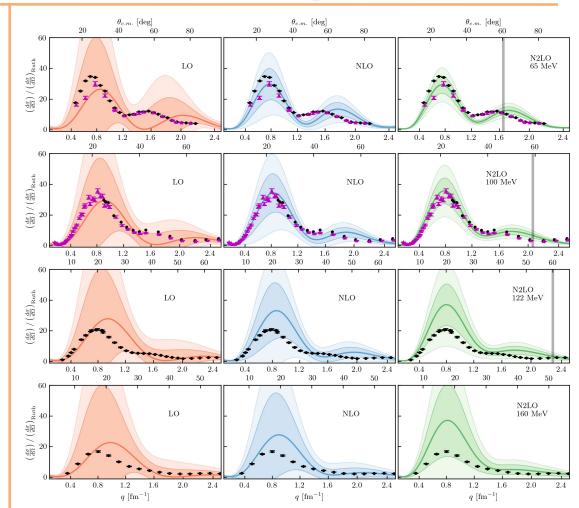


Objectives

- Predict elastic scattering of nucleons on light nuclei with theoretical uncertainty estimates.
- Use consistent effective field theory (EFT) nucleon-nucleon interactions for both scattering and bound state calculations.
- Apply Bayesian statistical model to infer EFT truncation uncertainties.

Impact

- First nucleon-nucleus scattering calculations using nucleon-nucleon interactions with quantified EFT truncation uncertainties.
- Uncertainties increase with increasing scattering energies.
- Need to incorporate higher orders, as well as consistent three-nucleon interactions.



Differential cross section for elastic proton scattering on Carbon-12 with quantified uncertainties.

Accomplishments

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