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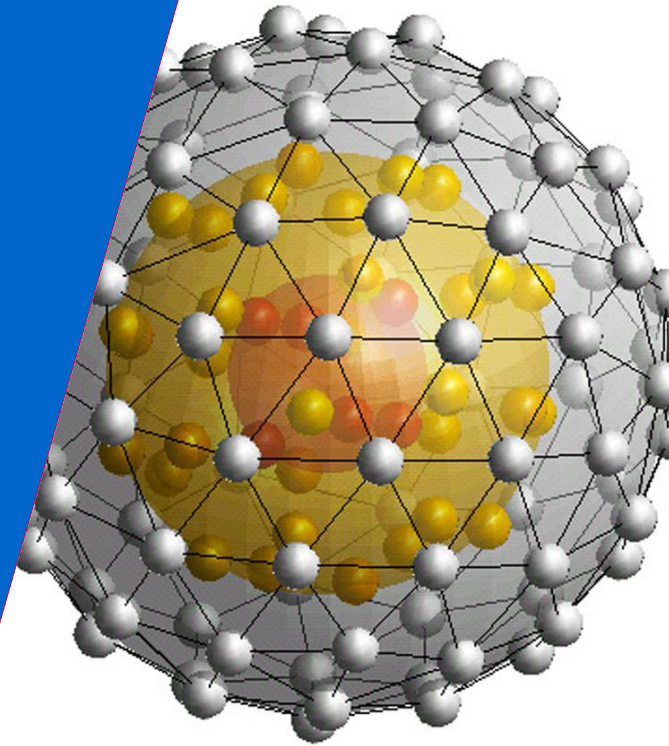
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Where innovation starts

The Efimov effect and Three-body recombination

In 1970 predicted by Efimov

- **Study of nuclear physics problem: tritium**

Universal description

- **Discrete scaling symmetry**
- **Insensitive to microscopic details**



Not easy to change the nuclear forces..

- **Interaction strength can be changed in atomic physics**
- **Observed via three-body recombination**
- **Several different species, mixtures**

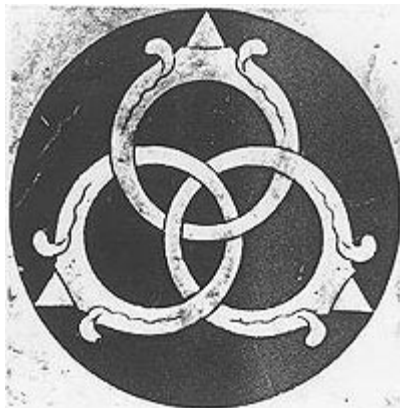
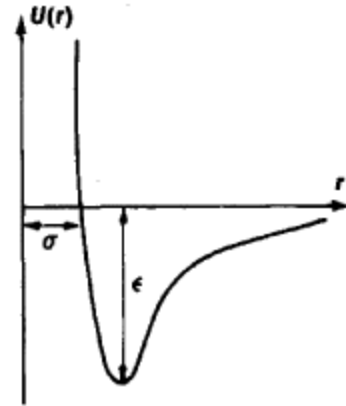
Efimov states

- Short range two-body interactions
 ➔ s-wave scattering length

$$a = -\lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan \delta(k)}{k}$$

Potential **just** unbound ➔ $a \rightarrow -\infty$

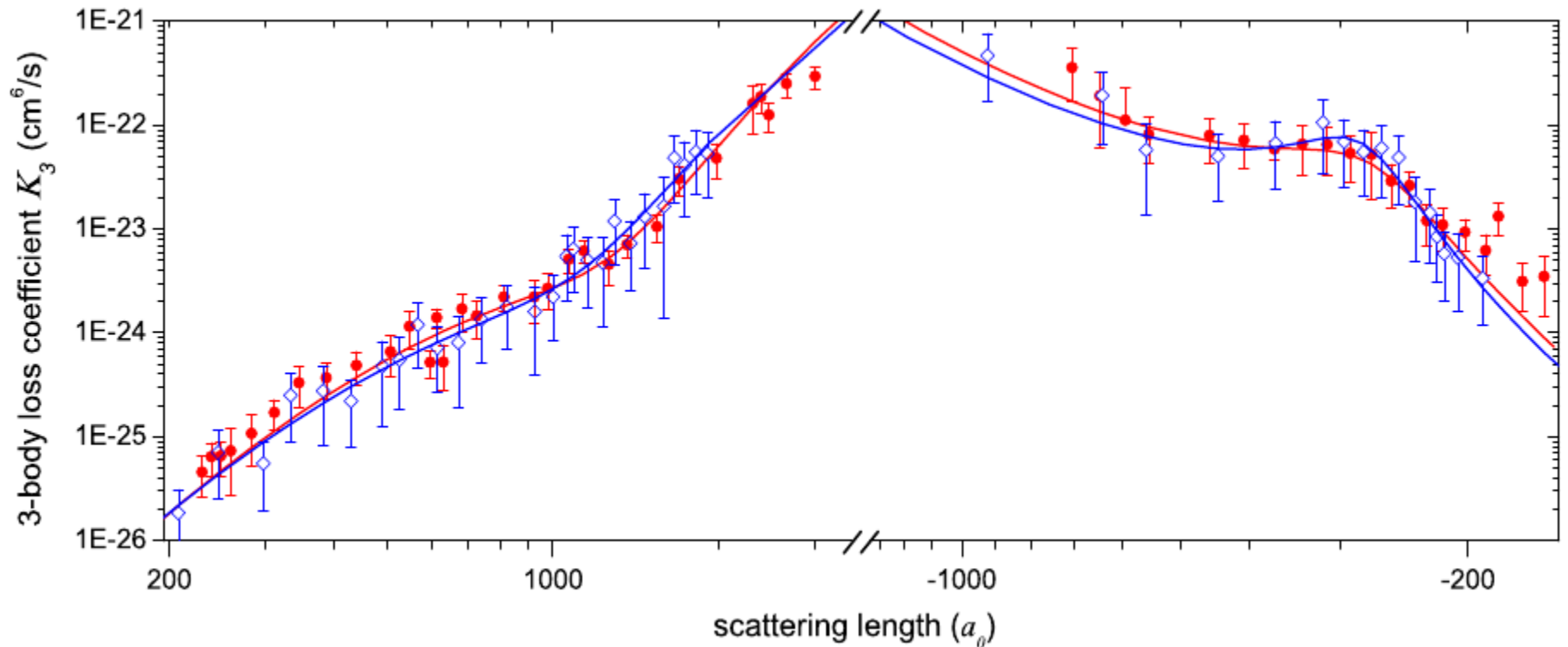
- No dimer state
- ...but an infinite number of trimer states!



Borremean rings

Three-body recombination rate for ${}^7\text{Li}$

- **Recombination rate:** $K_3 = 3C(a)\hbar a^4/m$



Two different spin states

Universality

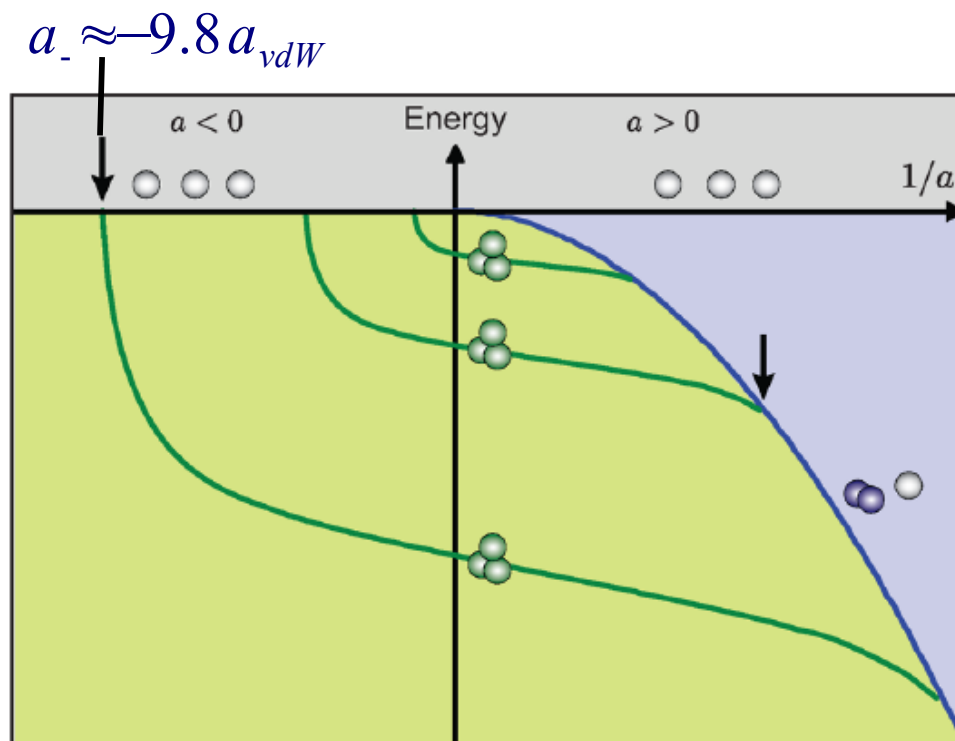
- **Universal Few body physics: interactions insensitive to microscopic details interaction**
- **Efimov spectrum: depends only on two generic two-body parameters**

difference in scattering length:

$$e^{\pi/s_0} \approx 22.7$$

spacing bound states:

$$E_{n+1}/E_n \approx e^{-2\pi} \approx 1/515$$



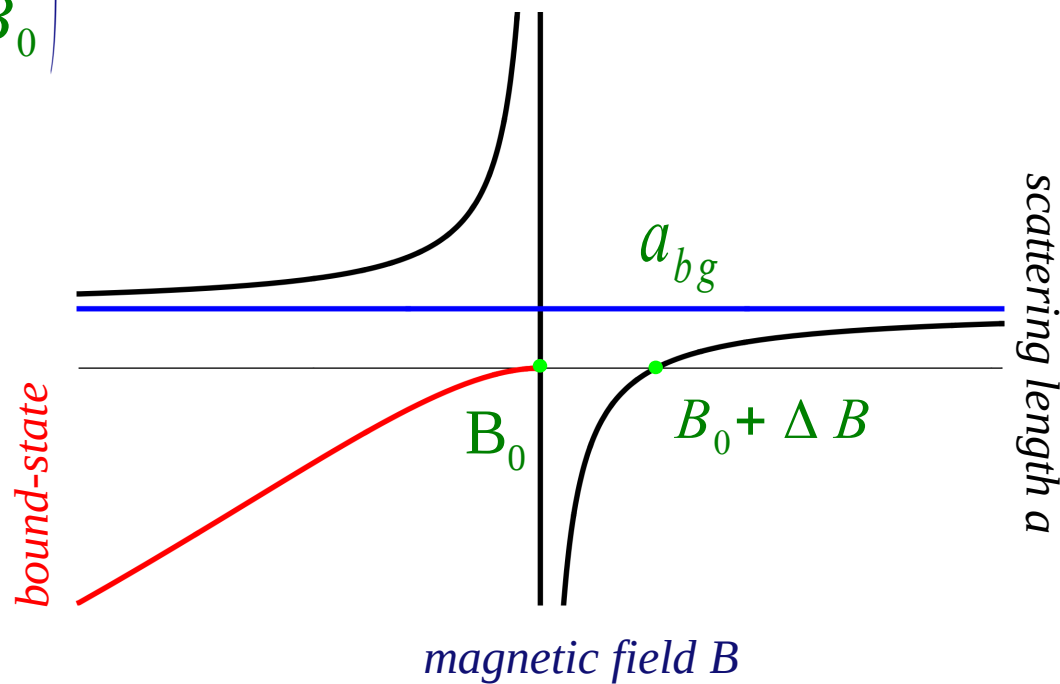
$$E_b = \frac{-\hbar^2}{m a^2}$$

Overview: [F. Ferlaino and R. Grimm, Physics 3, 9 (2010);
C. Greene, Physics Today, march 2010]

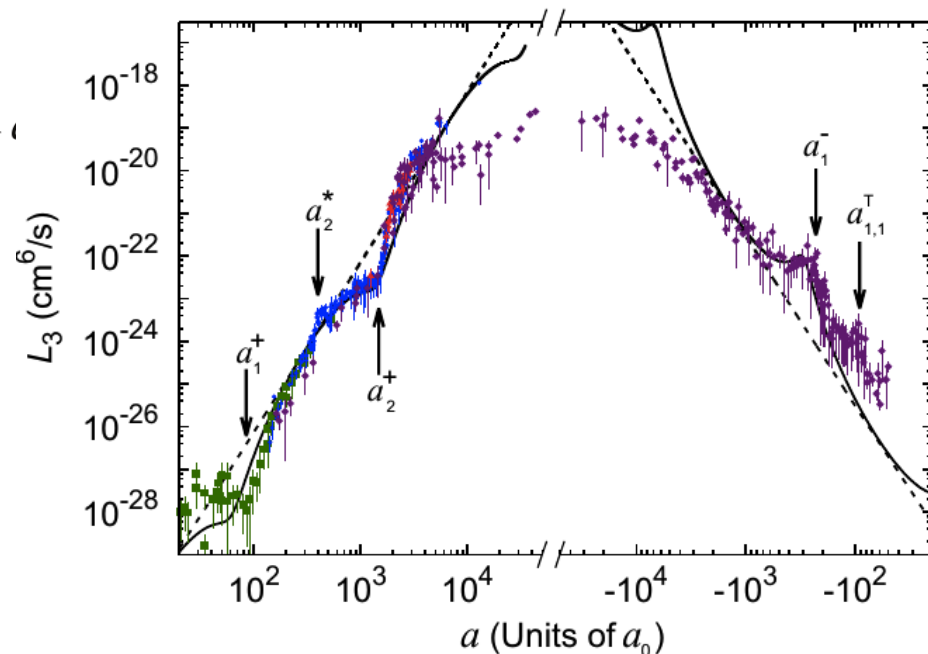
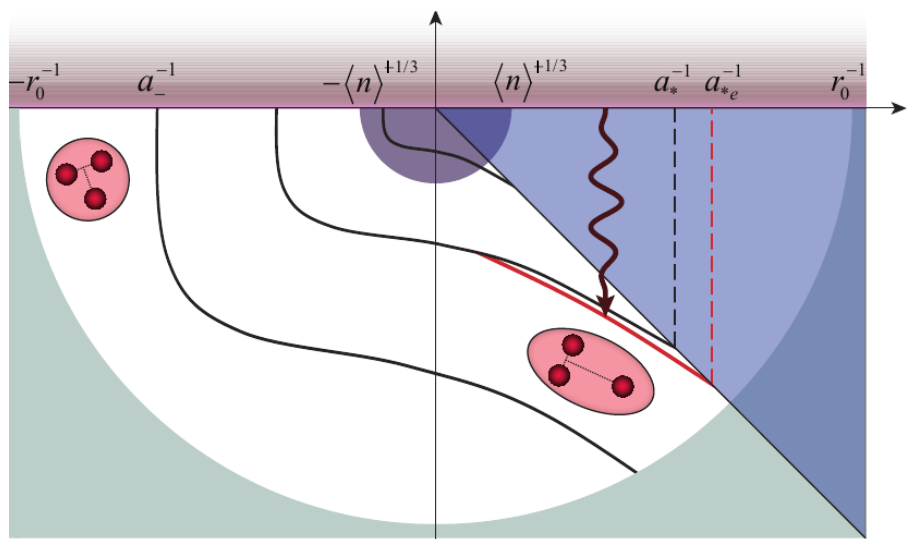
Feshbach resonance

- Control over scattering length with magnetic field

$$a = a_{bg} \left(1 - \frac{\Delta B}{B - B_0} \right)$$



Deviations from universality



Shift $a_* = 288 a_0 \rightarrow a_* = 180 a_0$

[Zav Shotan, Noam Gross, Lev Khaykovich
Phys. Rev. Lett. 108, 210406 (2012)]

P. Dyke, S. E. Pollack, and R. G. Hulet
Phys. Rev. A **88**, 023625 (2013)

- Finite range effects?
- Extreme non-universal limit: $a=0$
- What should replace $K_3 = 3C(a)\hbar a^4/m$?

Non-universal corrections

- **Theoretical non-universal extensions**
- **Effective range R_e as additional parameter**

$$k \cot \delta(k) = \frac{-1}{a} + \frac{1}{2} R_e k^2$$

- **Connected to inverse width of resonance:**

$$R^* = \hbar^2 / (m \delta \mu \Delta B a_{bg})$$

- **How do we obtain this expression?**

Width: Feshbach as a Breit-Wigner resonance


➔ Forget about background effects:

$$a = a_{bg} \left(1 - \frac{\Delta B}{B - B_0} \right) \approx -\frac{a_{bg} \Delta B}{B - B_0}$$

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$$= - \frac{\delta\mu \Delta B a_{bg}}{\delta\mu (B - B_0)} = - \frac{\delta\mu \Delta B a_{bg}}{E_{res}}$$


 $E_{res} = \delta\mu (B - B_0)$

Width: Feshbach as a Breit-Wigner resonance

$$a \approx -\frac{\delta\mu \Delta B a_{bg}}{E_{res}}$$

- Breit-Wigner resonance determined by two quantities:
- **Position and Width**

$$\tan \delta(k) = \frac{\Gamma/2}{E - E_{res}}$$

$$\Gamma = \delta\mu \Delta B a_{bg} k$$

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- **Effective range formula:**

$$k \cot \delta(k) = \frac{-2k(E_{res} - E)}{\Gamma} = \frac{-2E_{res}}{\Gamma/k} + \frac{\hbar^2}{m\Gamma/k} k^2 = \frac{-1}{a} + \frac{1}{2} R^* k^2$$

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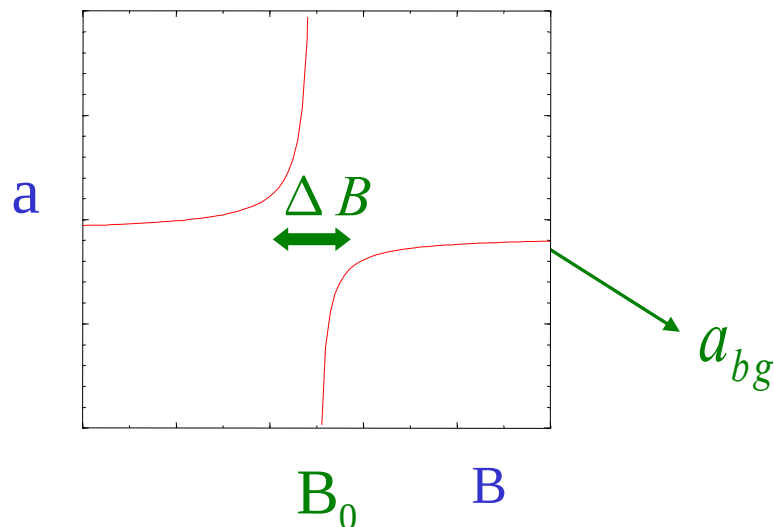
$$R^* = \hbar^2 / (m \delta \mu \Delta B a_{bg})$$

- **Narrow Feshbach resonances: $R_e = -2 R^*$**
- **But there are some problems with this length scale**

What other length scales are important?

More length scales beyond scattering length:

$$a = a_{bg} \left(1 - \frac{\Delta B}{B - B_0} \right)$$



- **Width of resonance**

$$R^* = \hbar^2 / (m \delta \mu \Delta B a_{bg})$$

- **Background scattering length**

$$a_{bg}$$

- **Range of the potential**

$$r_0 \approx r_{vdW}$$

→ **Van der Waals length**

$$r_{vdW} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2\mu C_6}{\hbar^2} \right)^{1/4}$$

Potential range: universal three-body parameter

- Several systems: three-body recombination $\propto C_+(a) \hbar a^4 / m$
- Look for position first trimer resonance
- Same three-body parameter

$$a_- \approx -9.8 a_{vdW}$$

- Experiments involved always Feshbach resonance
- Different system $^4\text{He}^*$
- No Feshbach resonance
- But large scattering length $a/a_{vdW} = 4.1$

[J. Wang, J. P. D’Incao, B. D. Esry, and C. H. Greene, Phys. Rev. Lett. 108, 263001 (2012).]

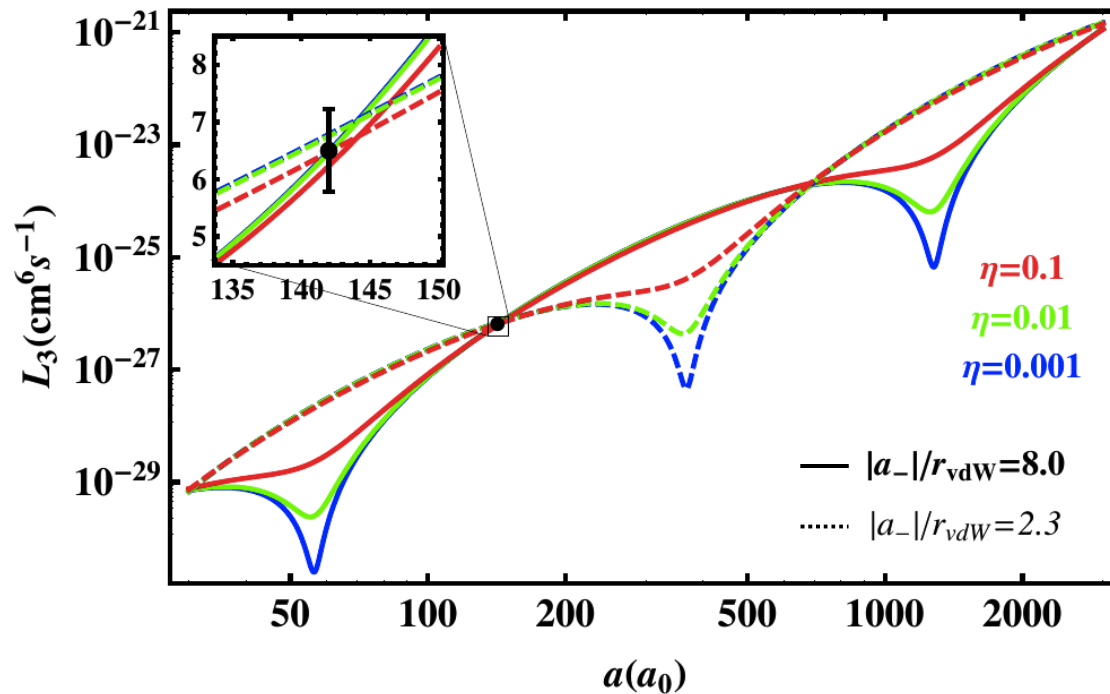
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Analyze three-body recombination ${}^4\text{He}^*$

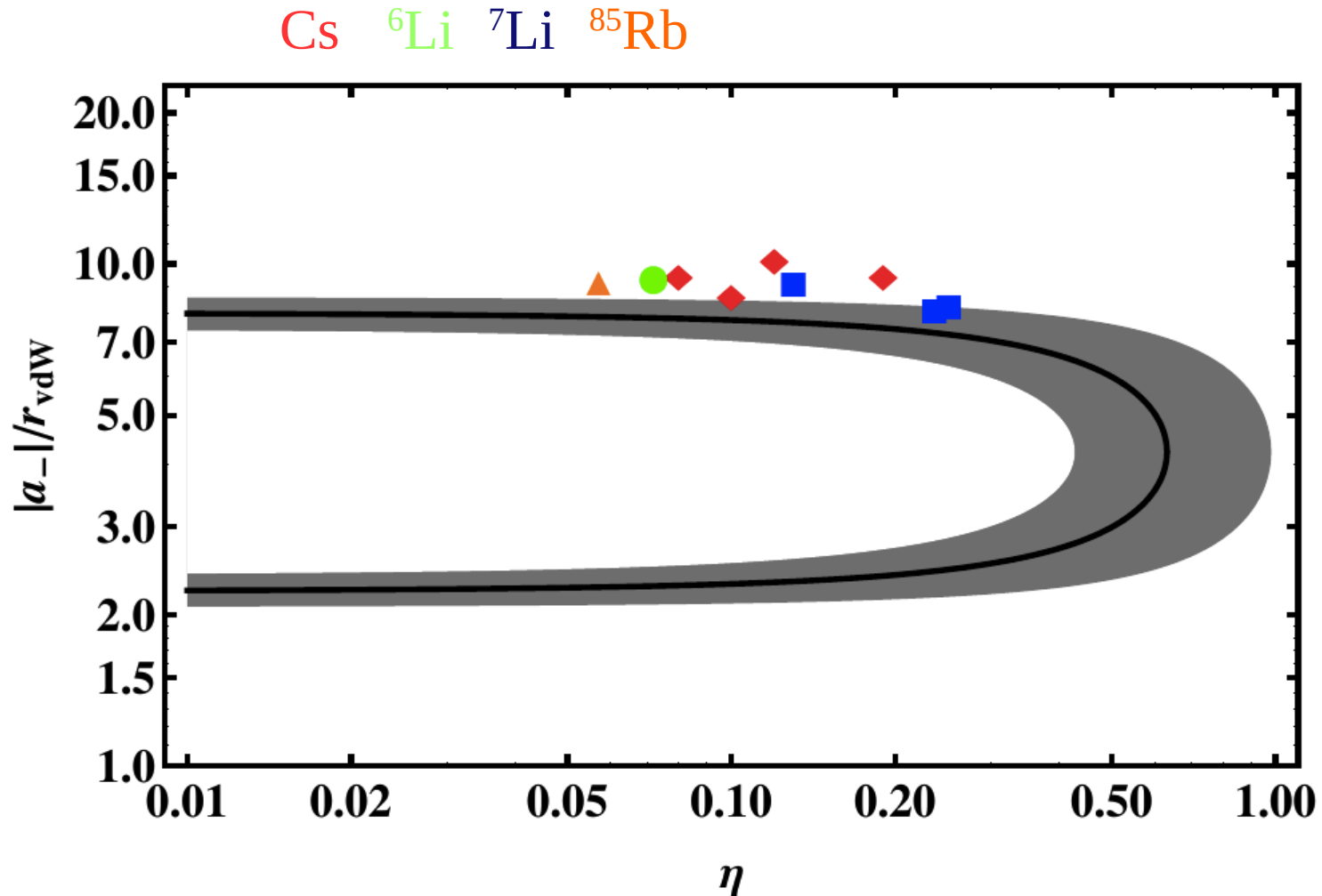
- Scattering length $a > 0$. Use $a_+/a_- = -0.96$

$$C_+(a) = 67.1 e^{-2\eta} \left(\cos^2 [s_0 \ln a/a_+] + \sinh^2 \eta \right) + 16.8 (1 - e^{-4\eta})$$



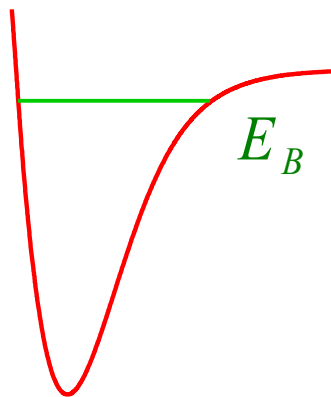
$$K_3 = 3 C_+(a) \hbar a^4 / m$$

Compare to other atomic systems



⁴He* Consistent with universal 3-body parameter!

Cold collisions and the highest bound state



Replace whole potential
by only a number

$$\rightarrow E_B = \frac{-\hbar^2 \kappa_B^2}{2\mu}$$

$$\psi(r) = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa_B}{2\pi}} \frac{e^{-\kappa_B r}}{r}$$

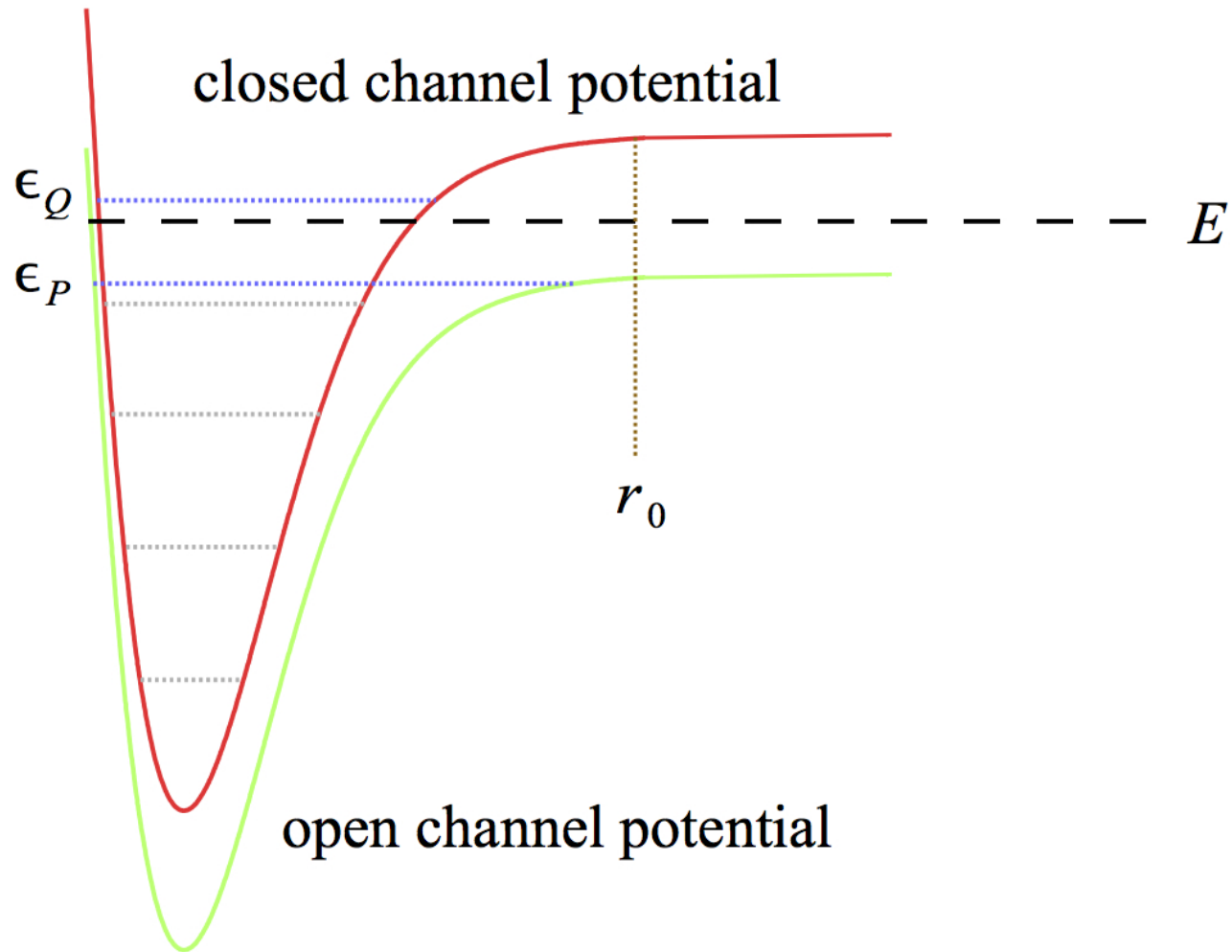
For the prediction and analysis of Feshbach resonances

- **Simple model: Asymptotic Bound-state Model**
- **based on highest bound state**

- **Introduce highest bound state for each potential in Feshbach projection formalism**

ABM model, see e.g.: [T. G. Tiecke et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 104, 053202 (2010)]

Feshbach resonance: coupled-channels mechanism

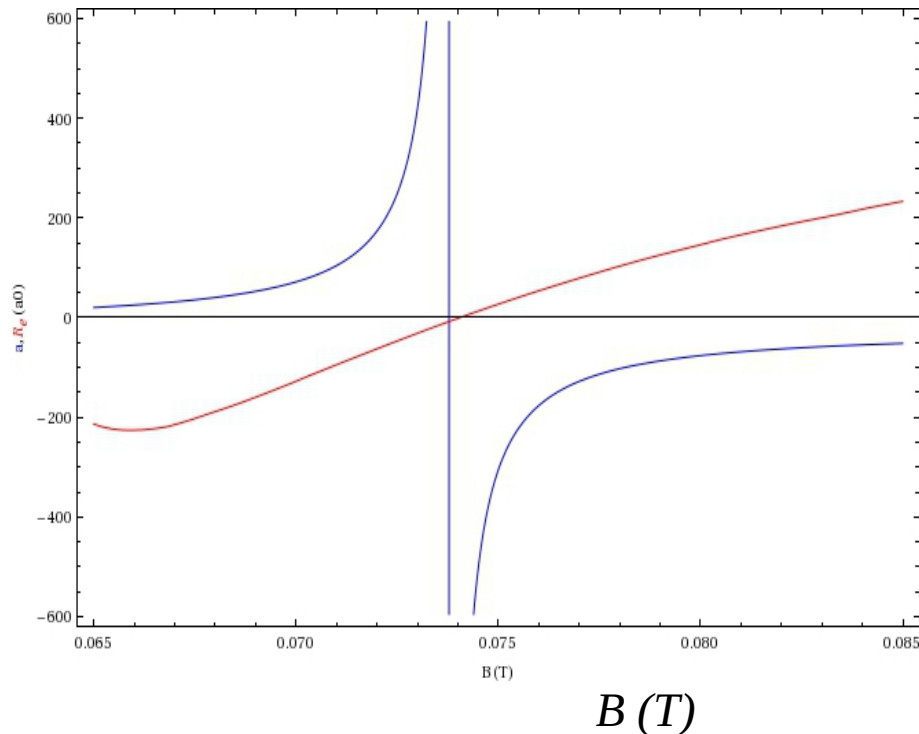


Non-universal physics in 2-body interactions: ${}^7\text{Li}$

Non-typical behavior effective range

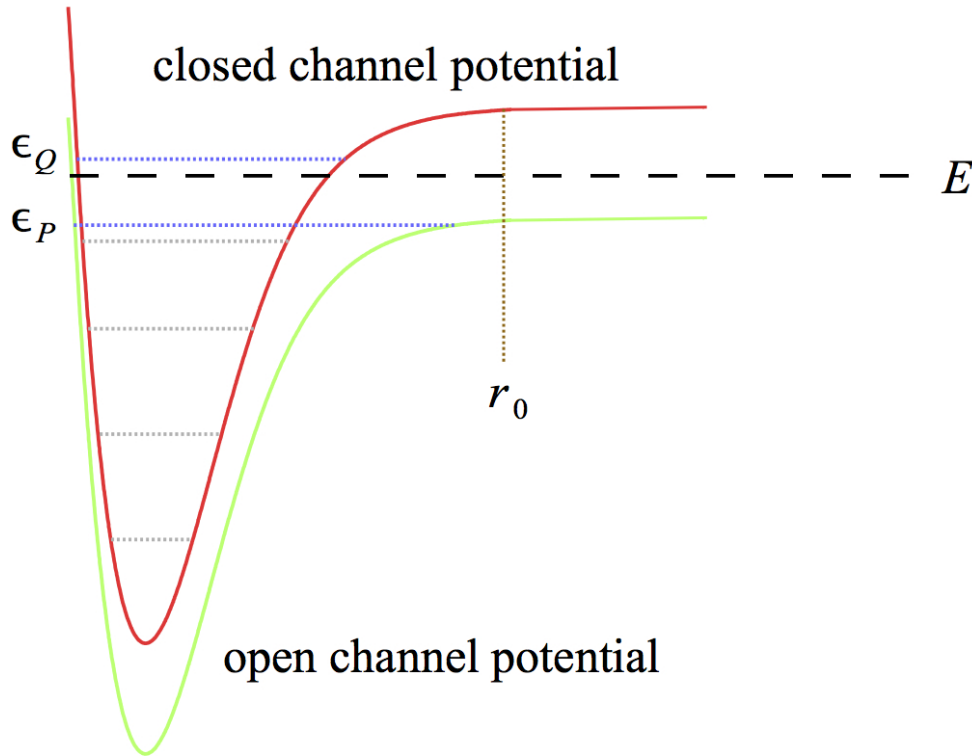
- **Broad resonance** $R_e > 0$ (potential resonance)
 - **Narrow resonance** $R_e = -2R^* < 0$
- ➔ R^* , a_{bg} , r_0 all needed to describe this

$a(a_0), R_e(a_0)$



Double bound-state model

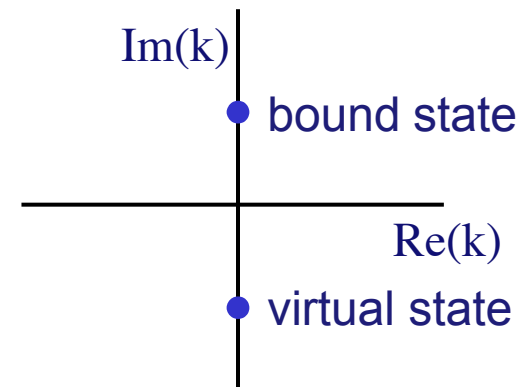
Account also for highest bound state in open channel:



Direct (background) Scattering:

$$S^P(k) = e^{-2ikr_0} \frac{1 - ika^P}{1 + ika^P}$$

resonance in complex k-plane:



Resonant scattering:

$$S^{res}(k) = 1 \frac{i\Gamma(E)}{E - \nu' - \Delta(E) + i\Gamma(E)/2}$$

Width of Feshbach resonance

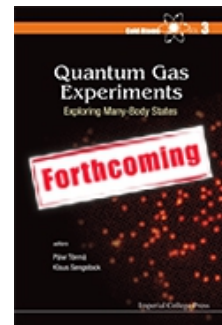
Shift and width of resonance:

Expansion into Gamow states

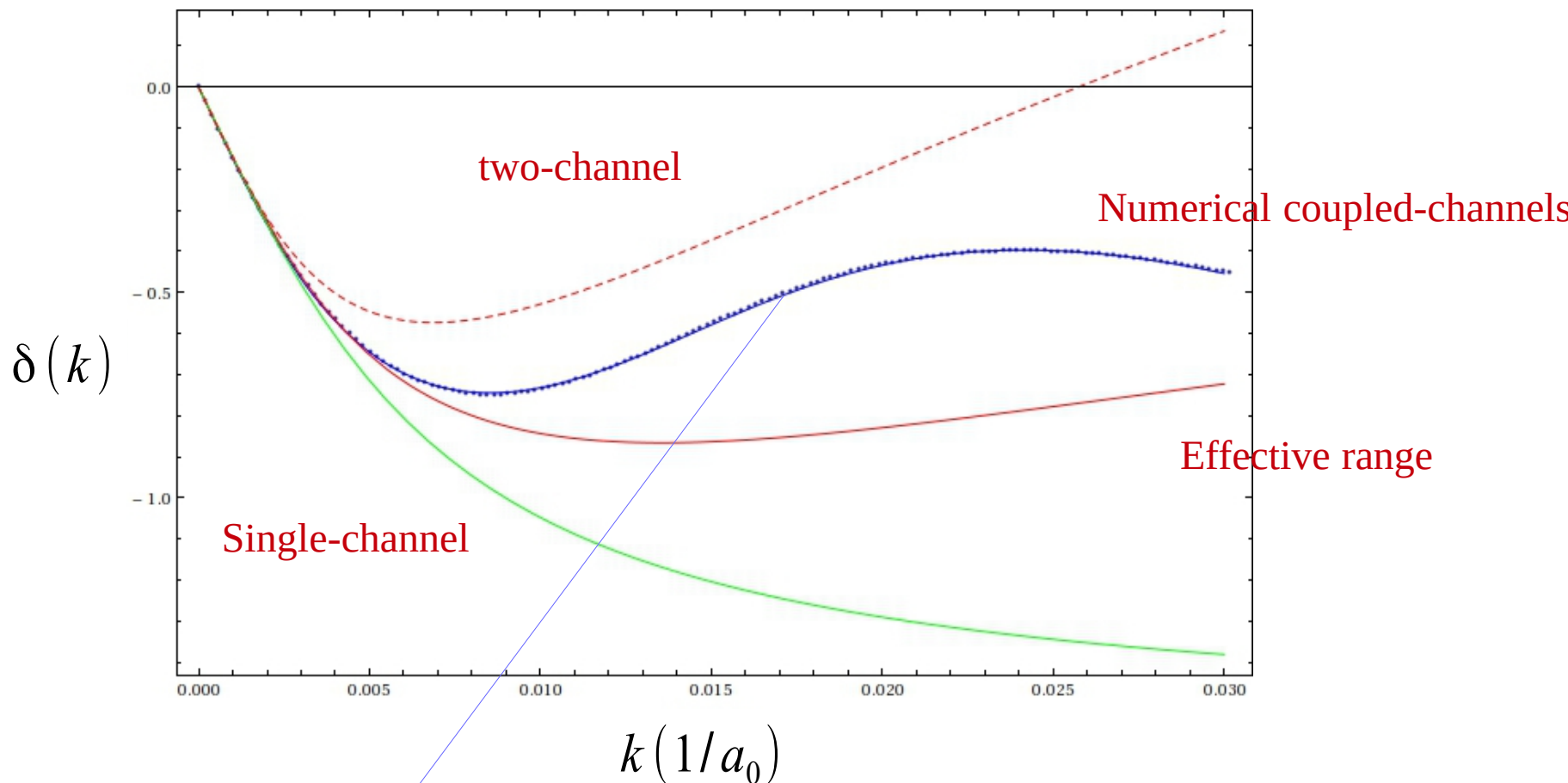
$$\begin{aligned}\Delta(E) - i\Gamma(E)/2 &= \langle \varphi_b | H_{QP} \frac{1}{E - H_{PP}} H_{PQ} | \varphi_b \rangle \\ &= \frac{-A/2}{k^2 + (1/a^P)^2} + i \frac{Ak/2}{(k^2 + (1/a^P)^2)/a^P}\end{aligned}$$

➔ **Non-trivial energy dependence**

See: [Feshbach resonances in ultracold gases, S. J. J. M. F. Kokkelmans, Chapter 4 in "Quantum gas experiments – exploring many-body states" (Imperial College Press, London, 2014)]



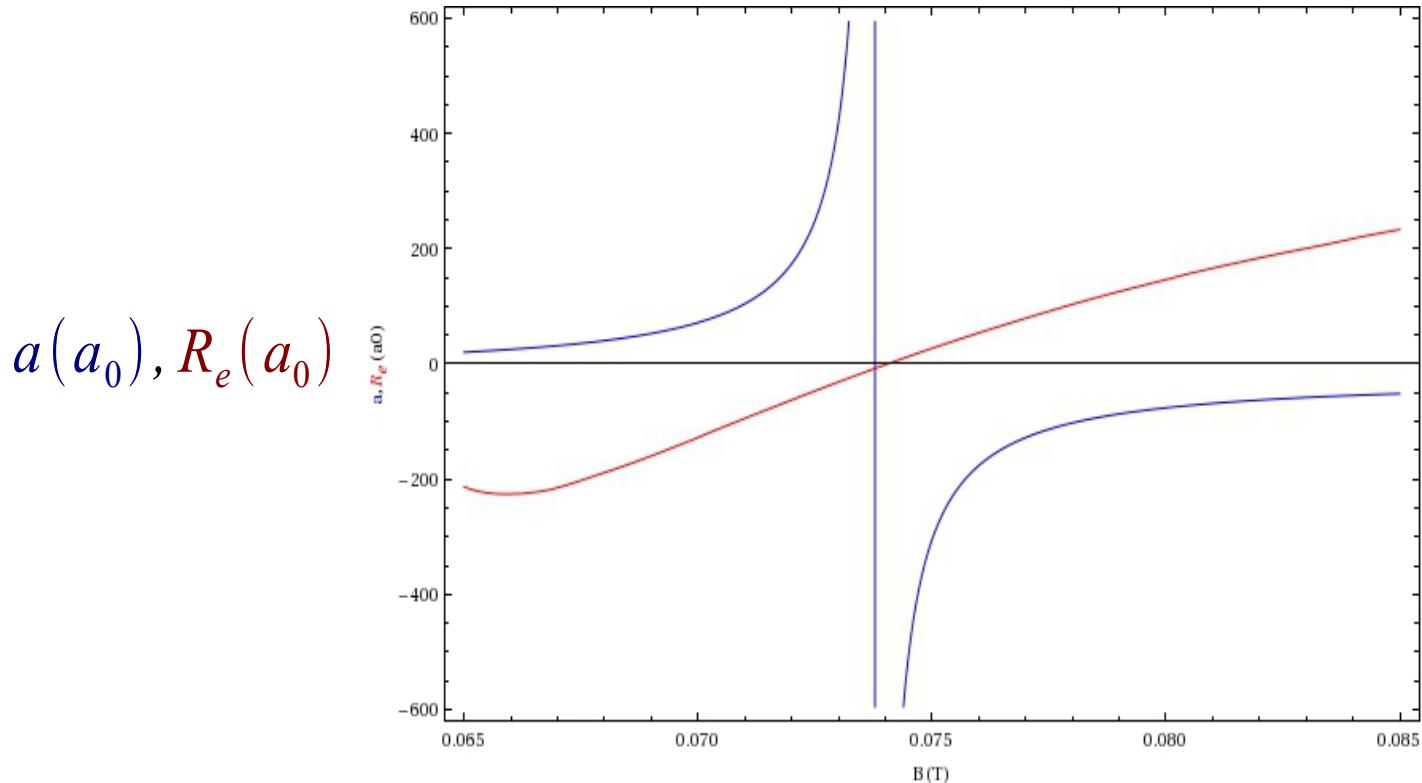
Scattering phase-shift



$$\delta_0(k) = -k r_0 - \arctan k a^P - \arg \left[R^* k^2 + \frac{1}{a - a_{bg}} + \frac{ik}{1 + ika^P} \right]$$

^7Li – intermediate Feshbach resonance

- Effective range depends on other length scales



$$R_e = -2 R^* \left(1 - \frac{r_0}{R^*} - \frac{2a_{bg} - r_0^2/R^*}{a} + \frac{a_{bg}^2 - r_0^3/3R^*}{a^2} \right)$$

What happens at zero crossing: $a=0$

- Use effective range expansion?

$$k \cot \delta(k) = -\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{2} R^{eff} k^2$$

- Scattering length: $a \rightarrow 0$
- Effective range: $R_e \rightarrow \infty$

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- **Scattering length:** $a \rightarrow 0$
- **Effective range:** $R_e \rightarrow \infty$
- **Look at scattering phase shift directly!**

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(k) &= -k a + k^3 V_e \\ &= k^3 \left(R^* a_{bg}^2 - r_0^3/3 \right) \quad (a \rightarrow 0) \end{aligned}$$

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$$= k^3 \left(R^* a_{bg}^2 - r_0^3/3 \right) \quad (a \rightarrow 0)$$

$$= -k^3 \underline{R_e a^2/2} \quad (a \rightarrow 0)$$

Also noticed as relevant quantity for BEC near $a=0$, and in treatment of resonance approximations

[Zav Shotan, Olga Machtey, Servaas Kokkelmans, Lev Khaykovich, PRL 113, 053202 (2014)]

[N. T. Zinner and M. Thøgersen, Phys. Rev. A 80, 023607 (2009).]

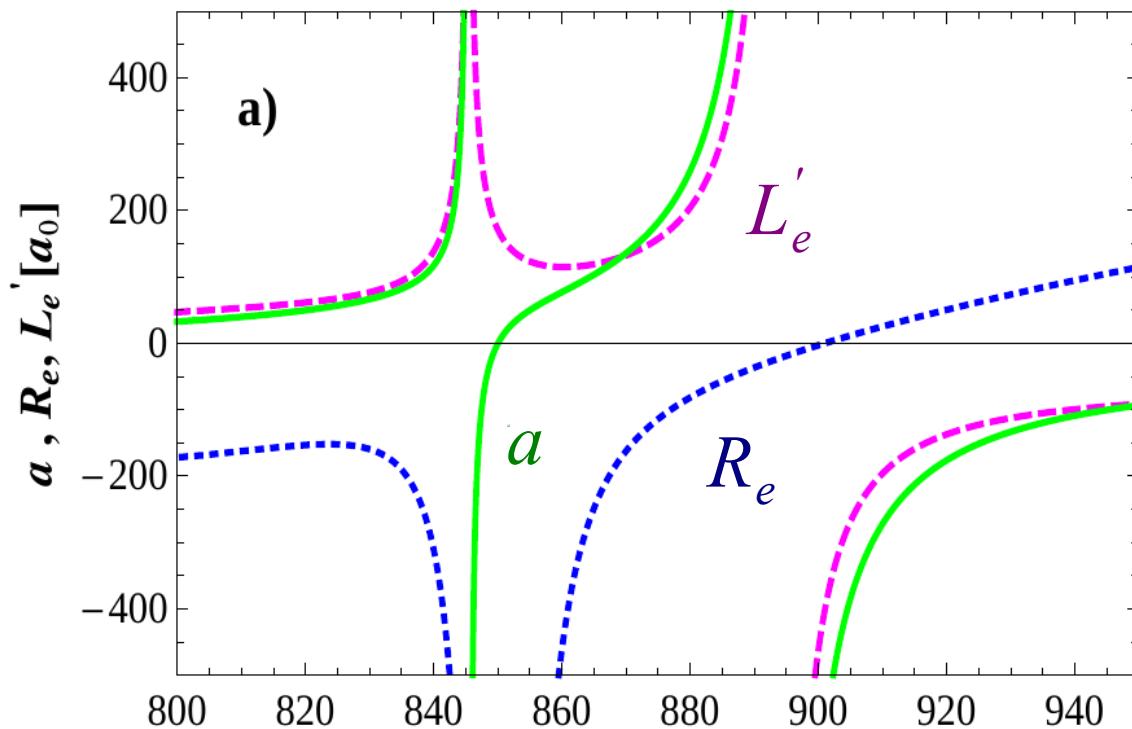
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[C. L. Blackley, P. S. Julienne, and J. M. Hutson, Phys. Rev. A 89, 042701 (2014).]

Define new length scale

- Phase shift around $a=0$: $\delta(k) = -ka - k^3 R_e a^2 / 2 + k^3 a^3 / 3$

➔ Define effective length as: $L'_e = \left(\frac{a^3}{3} - \frac{R_e a^2}{2} \right)^{1/3}$



Length scales from
Coupled channels calculation:
 $f=1, m_f=0$ state

Recombination rate at zero crossing

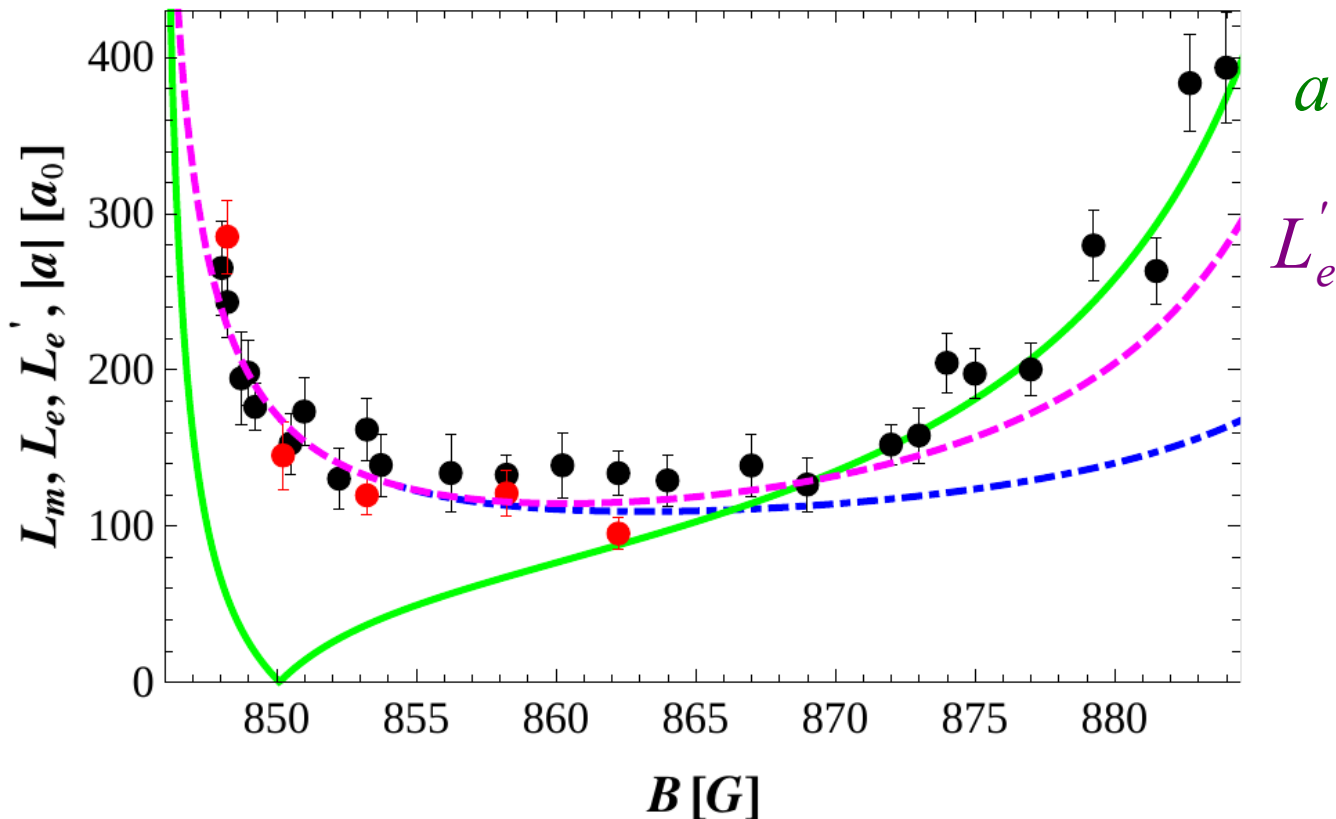
- Now use same rate expression with new length scale

$$K_3 = 3 C \frac{\hbar}{m} L_e'^4$$

- Rate is temperature-independent
- No fitting parameters
 - ➔ Same value for C as measured for Efimov physics
- Compare with experimental recombination length from atom number decay

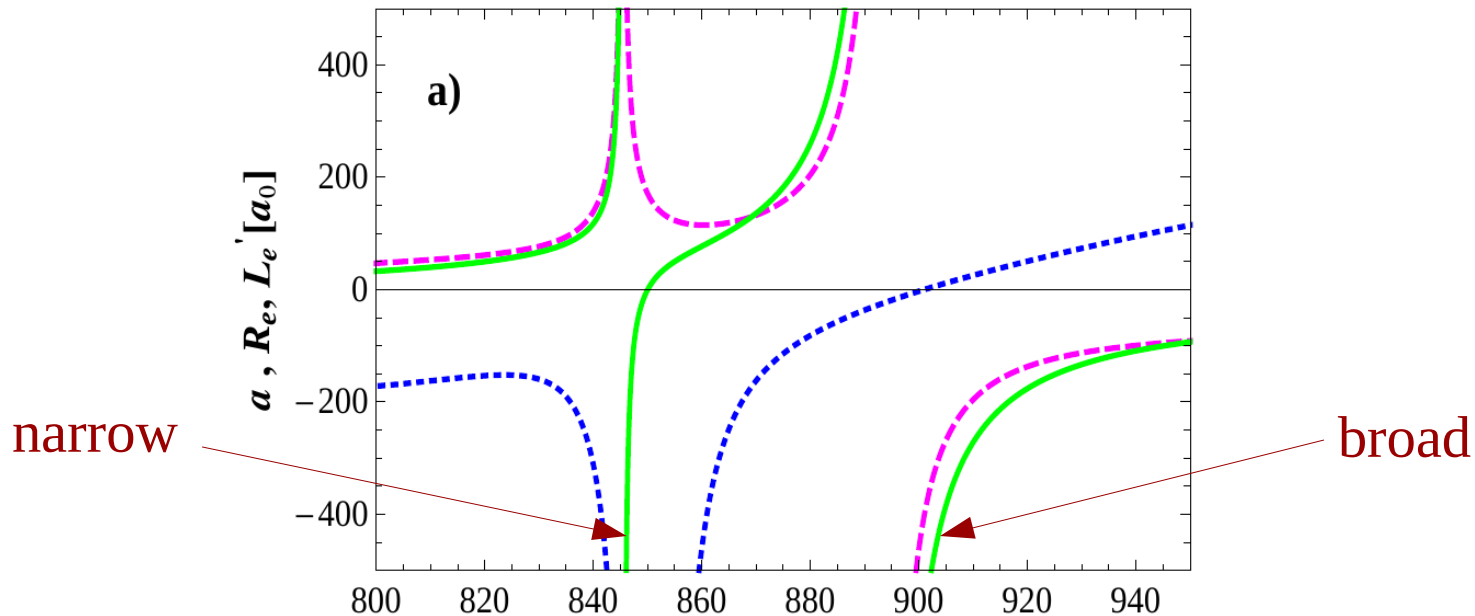
Measurement of recombination length

- Comparison to calculated length scales
- Measurements for two different temperatures
- ➔ No evidence for temp.-dependent recombination length



Improvements analytic Feshbach model

- Situation more complicated with 7Li
- **Two resonances close together**



- Numerics work fine, but...
 - ➔ **Analytic expressions better for understanding:**
- Dependence on R^* , a_{bg} , r_0

Double resonance system

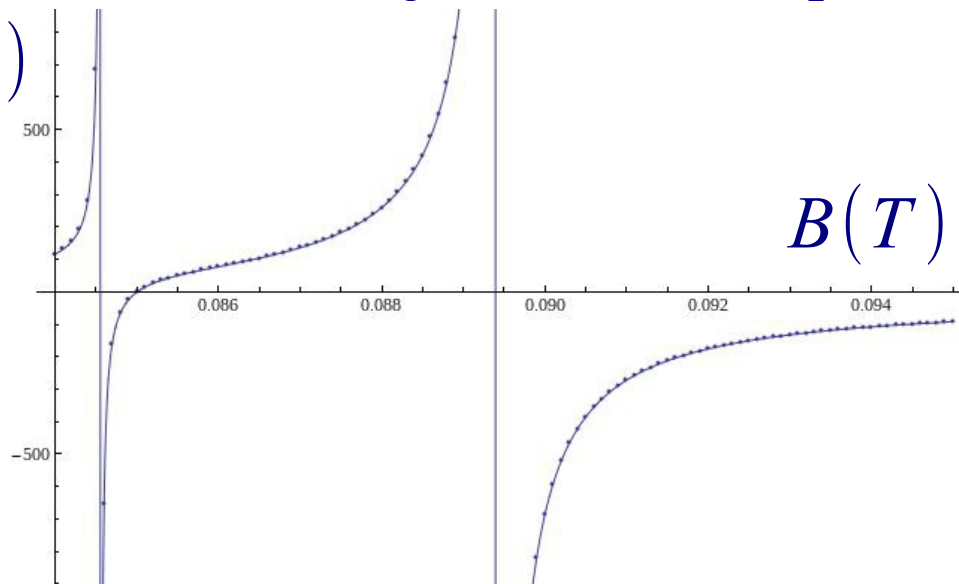
- Go to a double resonance system!
- Apply Feshbach projection to two different molecular states
- Two resonant contributions to scattering length

$$a = r_0 + a_P + a_1 + a_2$$

with

$$a_1 = a_P \frac{\Delta B_1}{B - B_1}, \quad a_2 = a_P \frac{\Delta B_2}{B - B_2}$$

$a(a_0)$



Comparison with
Coupled-channels
result

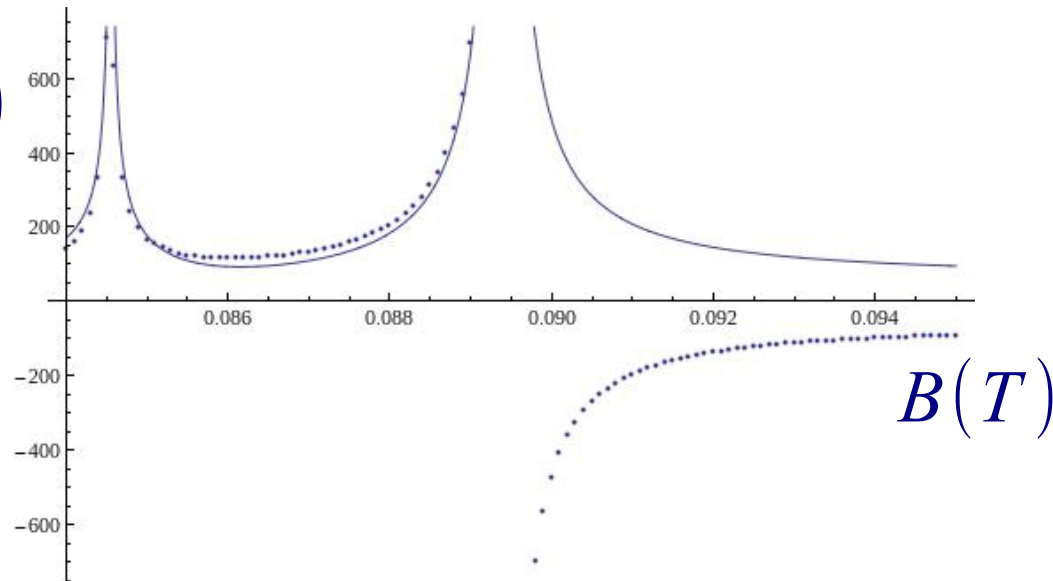
Now all parameters
are determined

Analytical double-res. expression effective length

- Derive effective volume from phase-shift

$$\rightarrow V_e = \frac{(a_1 + a_2 + a_P)^3}{3} - 2a_1 a_2 a_P + a_1^2 R_1^* + a_2^2 R_2^*$$

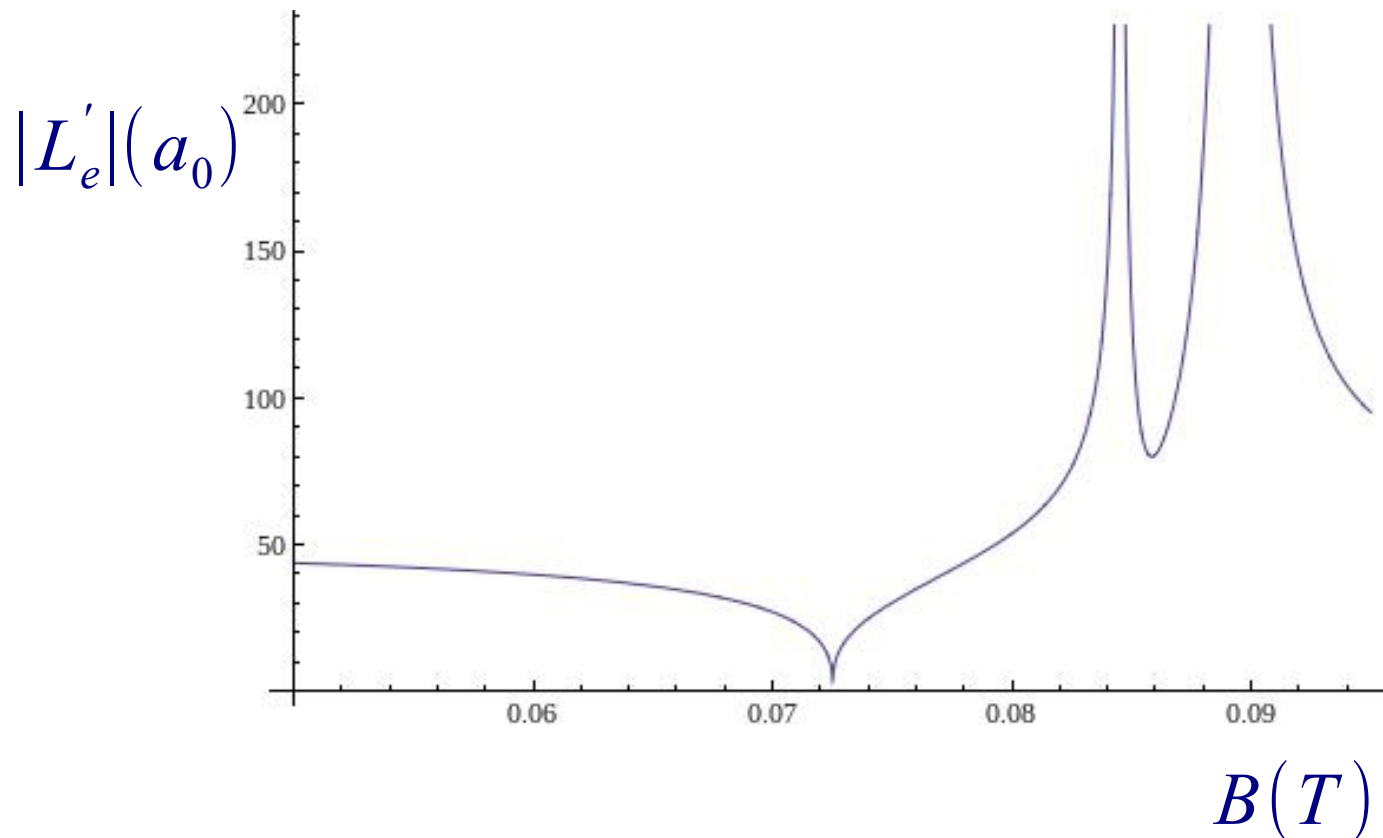
$L'_e(a_0)$



- Could be improved by small variation in r_0

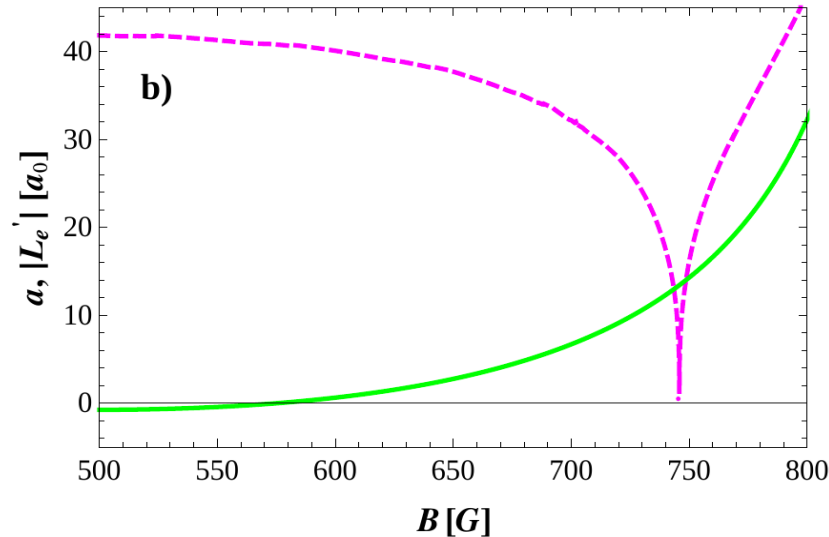
Effective length over large field range

- **Two resonances: one zero**
- **Does not coincide with zero in scattering length**



2nd zero crossing in scattering length

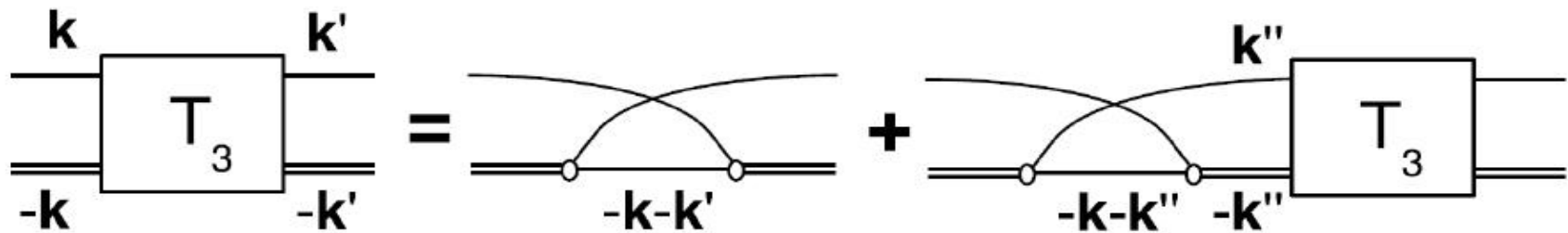
- Smaller value L_e'



- **Recombination rate is two orders of magnitude smaller**
Consistent with experiment (only upper limit)
- **Predict suppressed field value three-body recombination**

Theory of three-body recombination at $a=0$?

- Can K_3 be derived over full range of scattering length?
- Feshbach model is on-shell, well-behaved in k -space
- Possible approach: calculate three-body T-matrix



- Already interesting results obtained with separable potential for finite range effects
- Link between three-body parameter and potential range

[M. Jona-Lasinio and L. Pricoupenko, Phys. Rev. Lett **104**, 023201 (2010).]

[L. Pricoupenko and M. Jona-Lasinio, Phys. Rev. A **84**, 062712 (2011).]

Also, [J. Levinsen et al.]

Off-shell two-body T-matrix

- Skorniakov Ter-Martirosian equation

$$\frac{1}{t(E - 3\epsilon_k/2)} T_3(k) = 2 \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\xi(|\vec{k} - \vec{p}/2|) \xi(|\vec{p} - \vec{k}/2|)}{E - k^2/m - p^2/m - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}/m} T_3(p)$$

- **Need off-shell T_2 -matrix: easy with separable potential**

$$\langle k_f | T_2(E) | k_i \rangle = \xi(k_f) \xi(k_i) t(E)$$

- **Should satisfy on-shell condition**

$$\langle k | T_2(E) | k \rangle = \xi(k) \xi(k) t(E) = \frac{-1}{k \cot \delta(k) - ik}$$

- **Is it possible? Potential is non-local!**

Summary

Extreme limit non-universal regime three-body recombination

➔ **At vanishing scattering length**

Other length scales become important

- **Width resonance, potential range, background scattering length**

➔ R^*, a_{bg}, r_0

- **Can be expressed as combination of a and R_e**
- **Rate energy-independent**

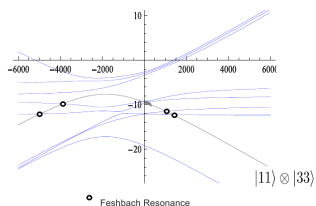
Cover whole range from weak to strong two-body interactions

- **Predict non-trivial magnetic field value where three-body recombination is suppressed**

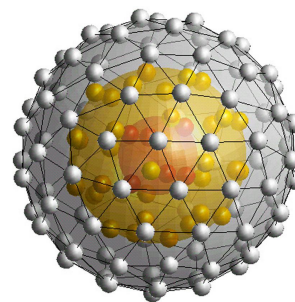
- **How to derive this quantity from three-body physics?**

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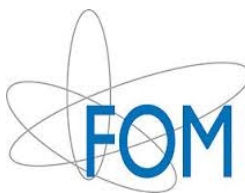
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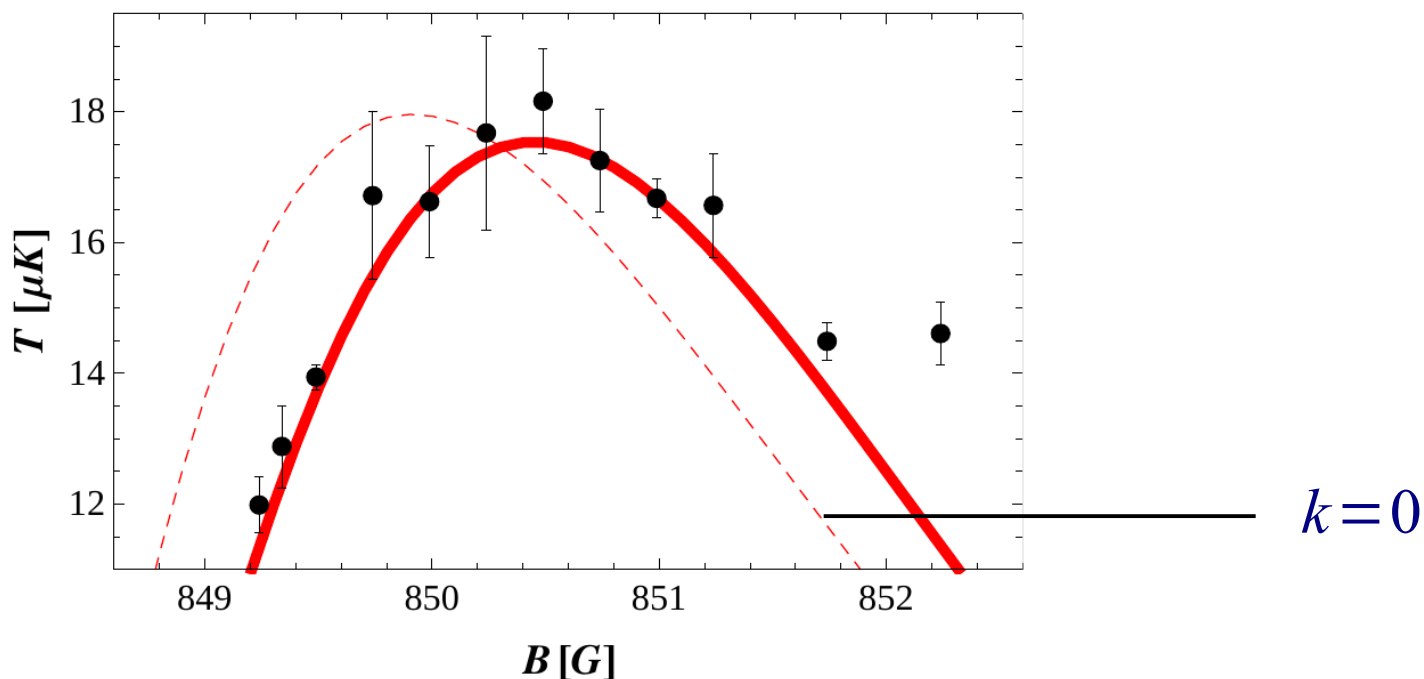


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Experimental determination zero crossing

- Use evaporative cooling: not obvious
➔ Cross section strongly energy-dependent



$$\sigma(k) = 8\pi \frac{(V_e k^2 - a)^2}{1 + (V_e k^2 - a)^2 k^2}$$