

On the determination of response functions obtained from their Lorentz integral transforms

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- Motivation
- Integral Transform Approach
- Inversion: can go wrong!

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Integral transform approaches

There are many examples in physics where one uses
“integral transform approaches”

$$\Phi = K R$$

accessible object

object of interest

The diagram illustrates the equation $\Phi = K R$. A cyan arrow points from the text 'accessible object' to the symbol Φ . A red arrow points from the symbol R to the text 'object of interest'.

There are many classes of problems that are difficult to solve in their original representations. An integral transform "maps" an equation from its **original "domain"** into **another domain**. Manipulating and solving the equation in the **target domain** is sometimes much easier than manipulation and solution in the **original domain**. The solution is then **mapped back** to the original domain with the inverse of the integral transform.

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Warning:

The “inversion” of $\Phi(\sigma)$ may be problematic (“**ill posed problem**”)

LIT method

The LIT of a function $R(E)$ is defined as follows

$$\Rightarrow L(\sigma) = \int dE \mathcal{L}(E, \sigma) R(E),$$

where the kernel \mathcal{L} is a Lorentzian,

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}(E, \sigma) = \frac{1}{(E - \sigma_R)^2 + \sigma_I^2}$$

For inclusive reactions the LIT $L(\sigma)$ is calculated by solving an equation of the form

$$(H - \sigma) \tilde{\Psi} = S,$$

where H is the Hamiltonian of the system under consideration and S is an asymptotically vanishing source term related to the operator inducing the specific reaction.

The solution $\tilde{\Psi}$ is localized and the LIT is given by

$$L(\sigma) = \langle \tilde{\Psi} | \tilde{\Psi} \rangle.$$

Alternative way:

$$L(\sigma) = -\frac{1}{\sigma_I} \text{Im} \left(\langle S | \frac{1}{\sigma_R + i\sigma_I - H} | S \rangle \right).$$

Inversion of the LIT

- LIT is calculated for a fixed σ_l in many σ_r points
- Express the searched response function formally on a basis set with M basis functions $f_m(E)$ and open coefficients c_m with correct threshold behaviour for the $f_m(E)$ (e.g., $f_m = f_{thr}(E) \exp(-\alpha E/m)$)
- Make a LIT transform of the basis functions and determine coefficients c_m by a fit to the calculated LIT
- Increase M up to the point that a sufficient convergence is obtained (uncontrolled oscillations should not be present)

A regularization method is needed for the inversion

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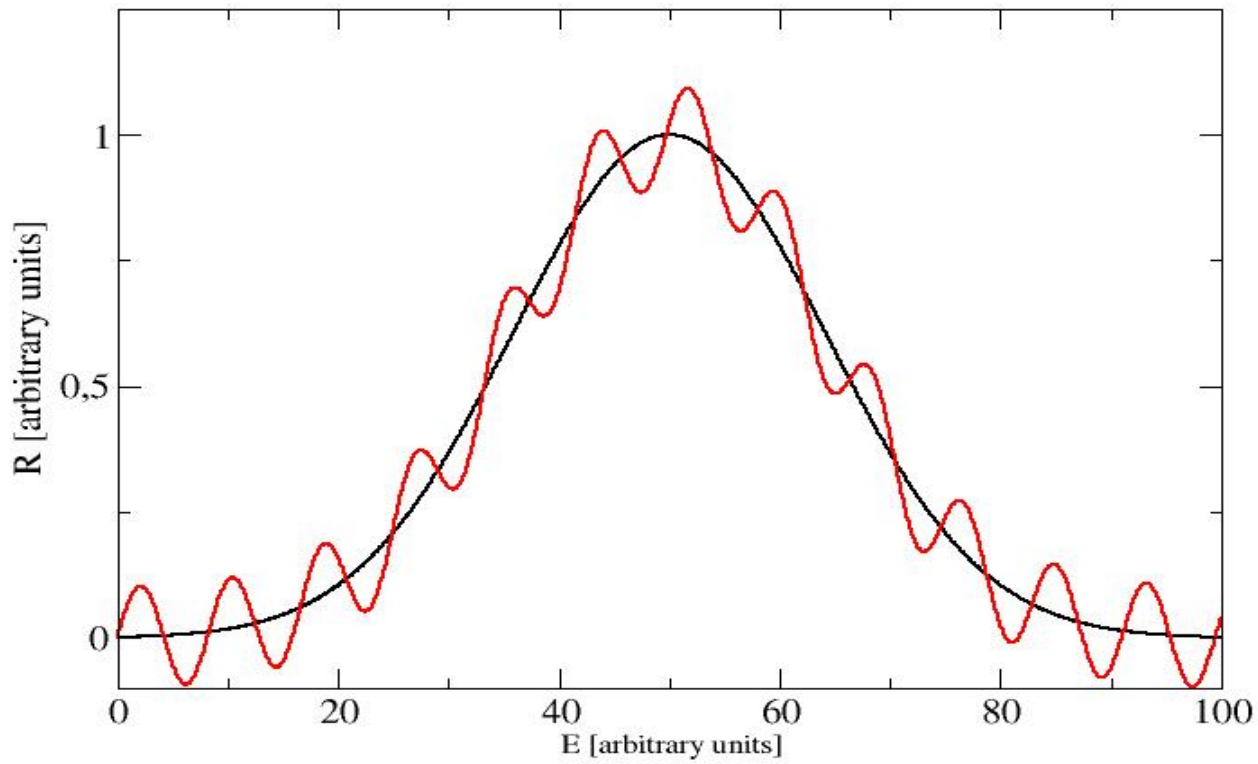
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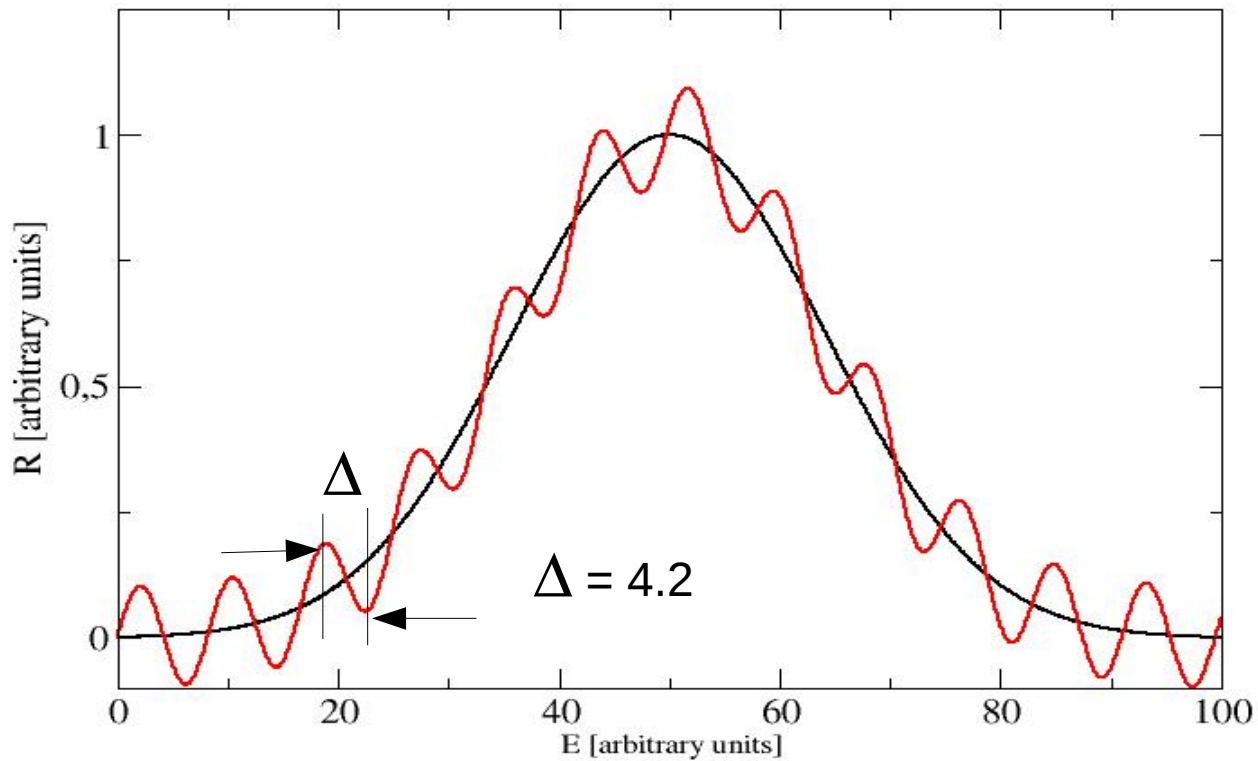
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Let us check an example

Example: black and red responses

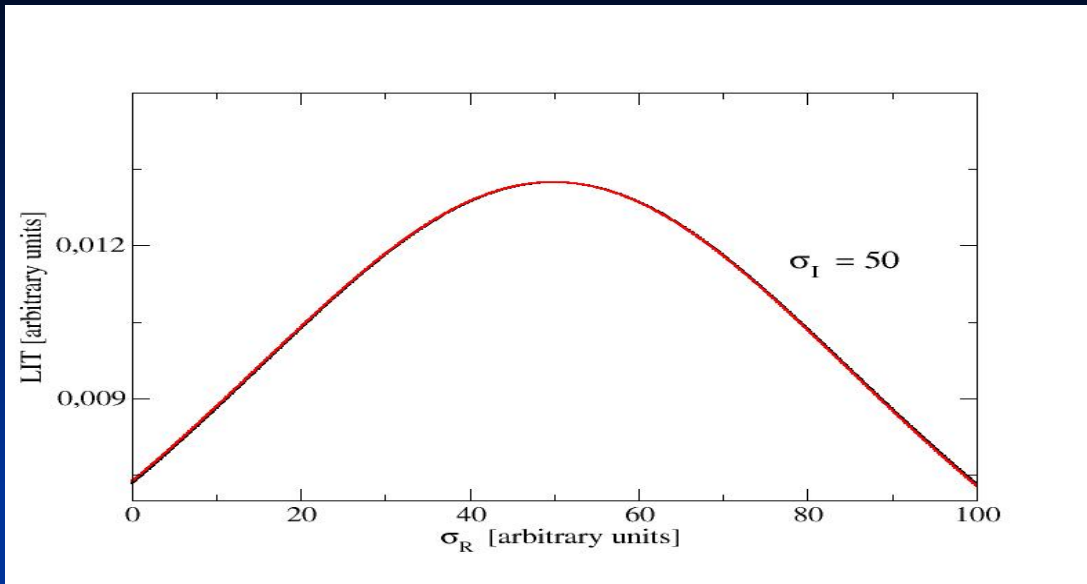


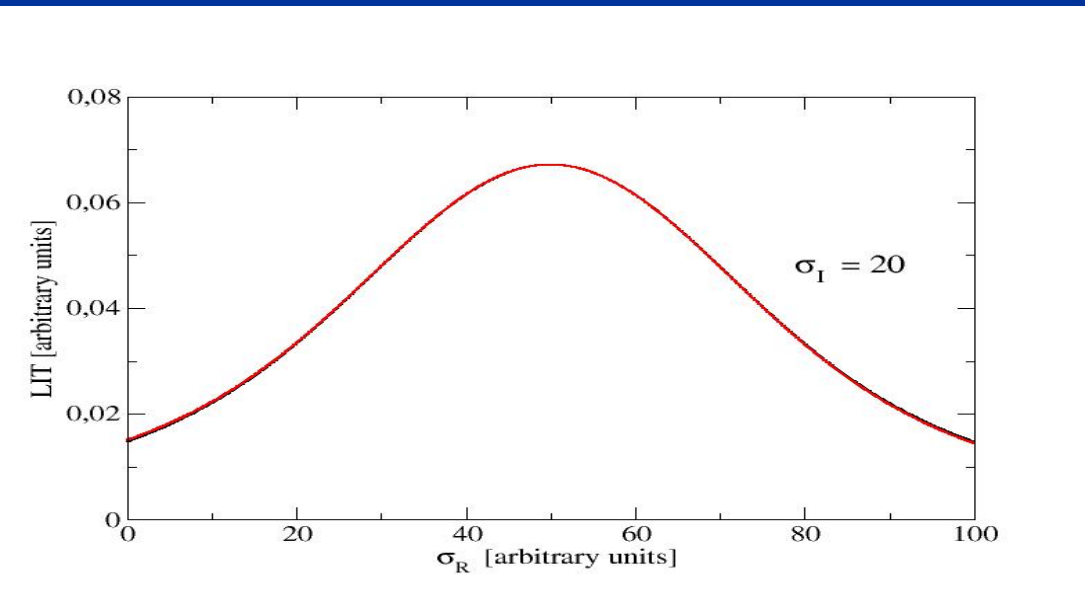
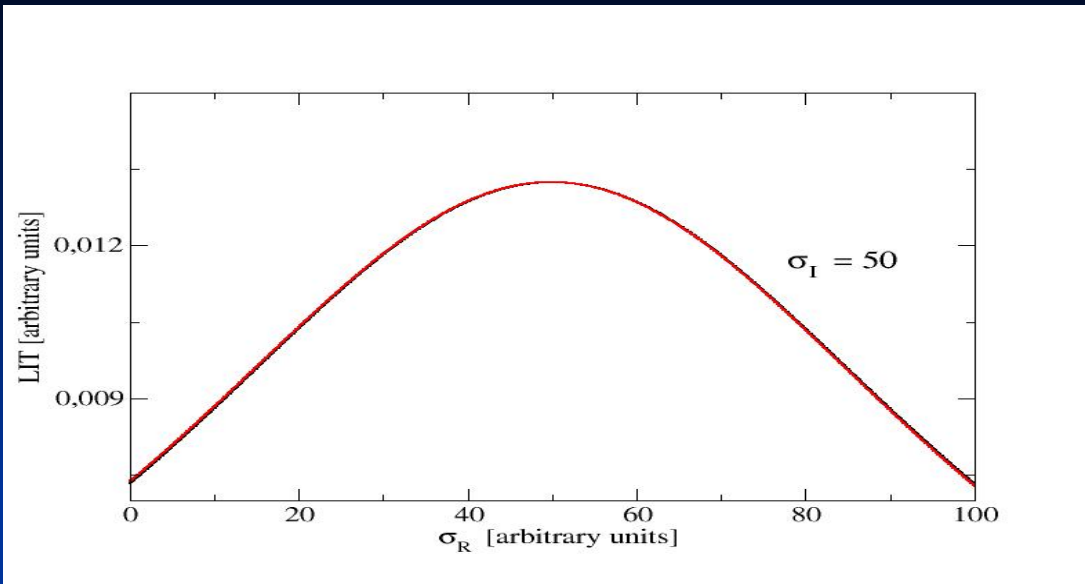
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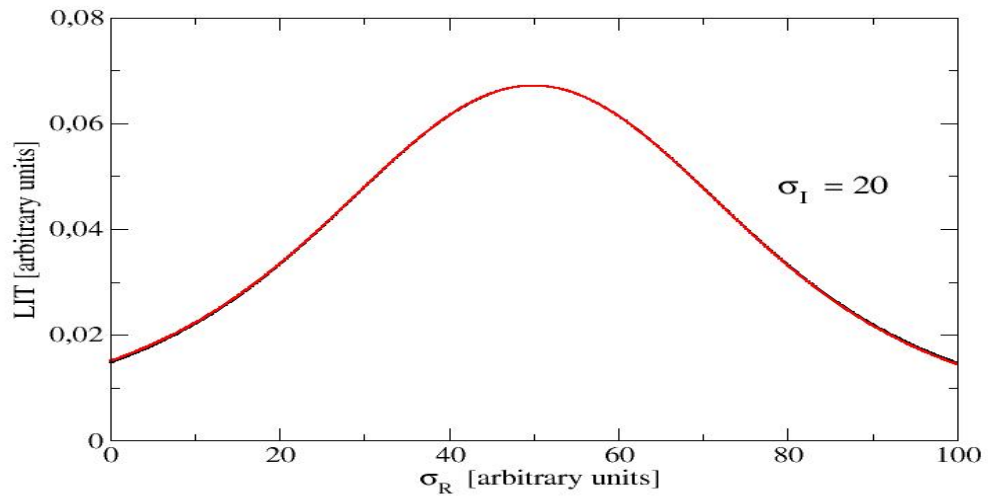
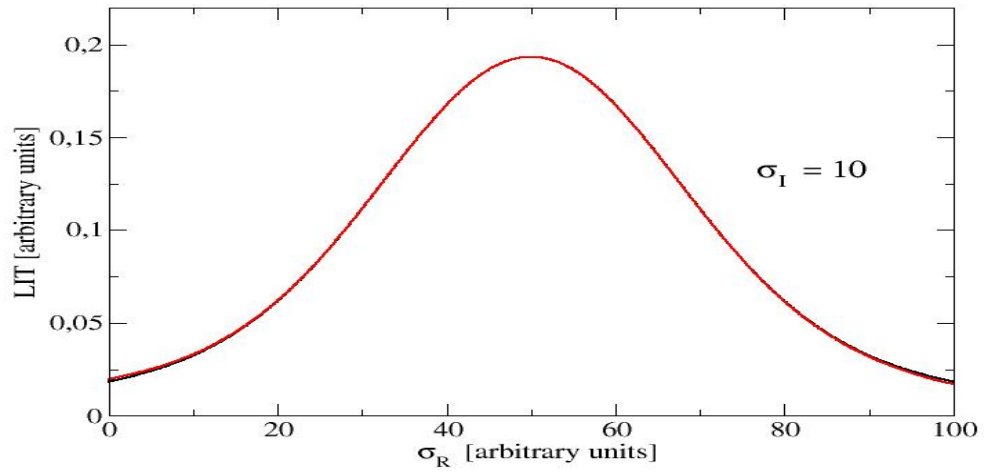


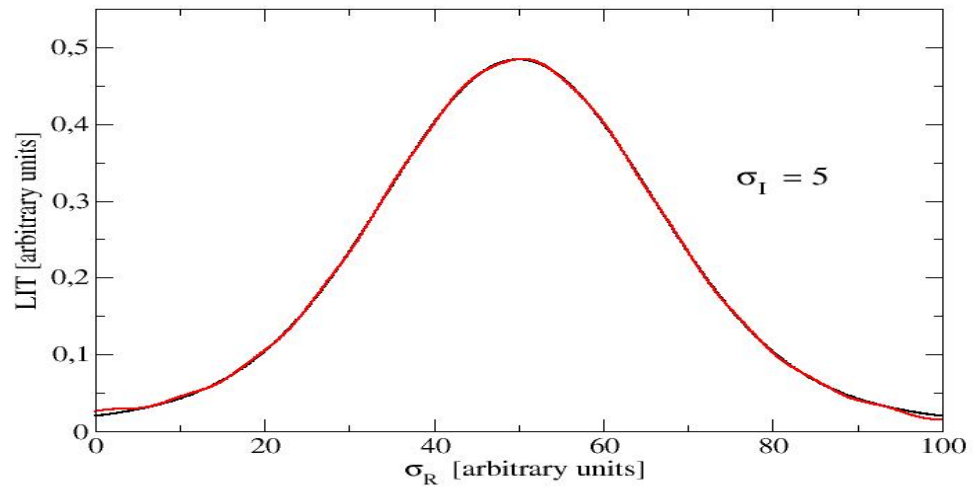
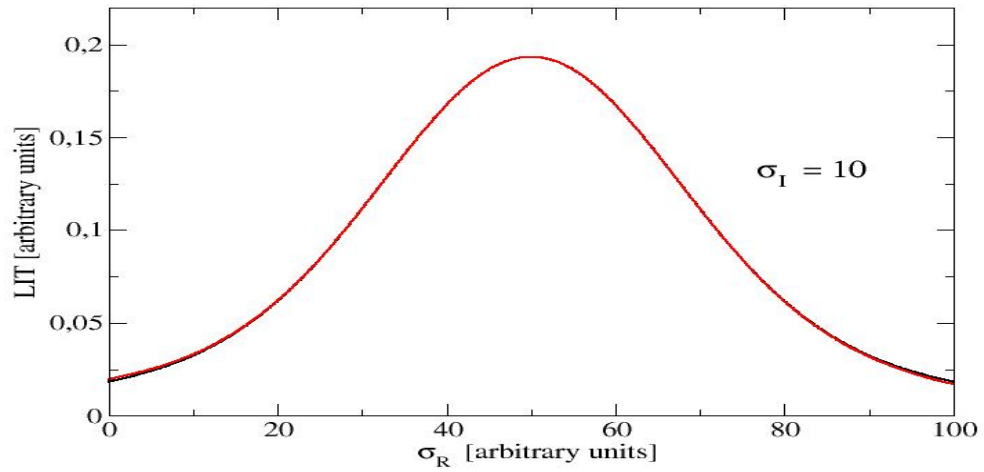
Now follows a series of LITs with various σ_1 values

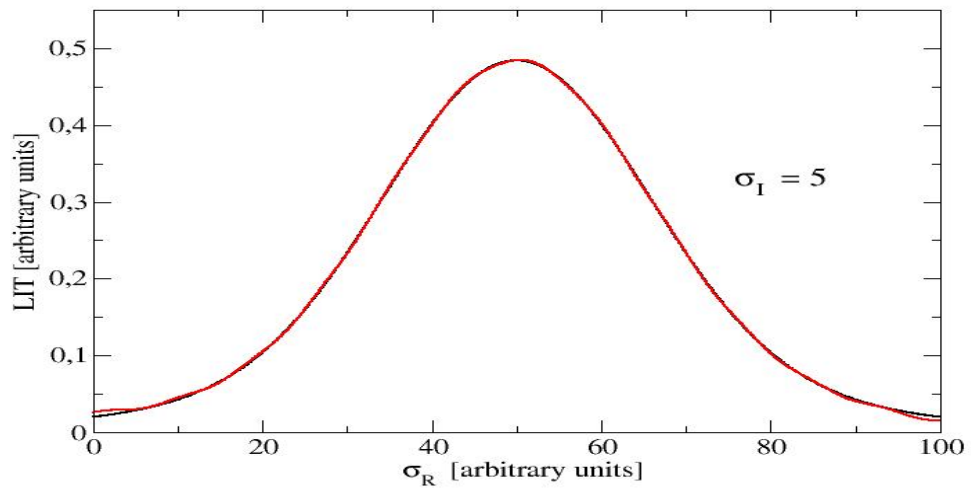
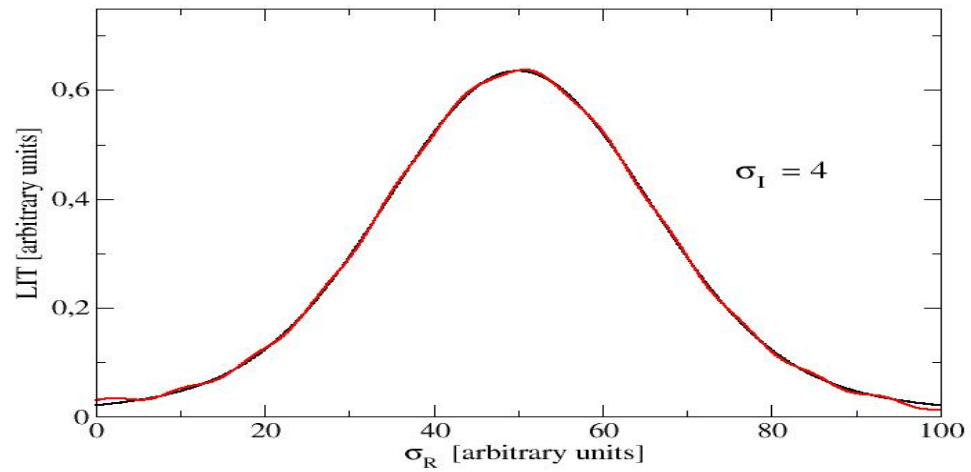
$\sigma_1: 50 \longrightarrow 1$ [arbitrary units]

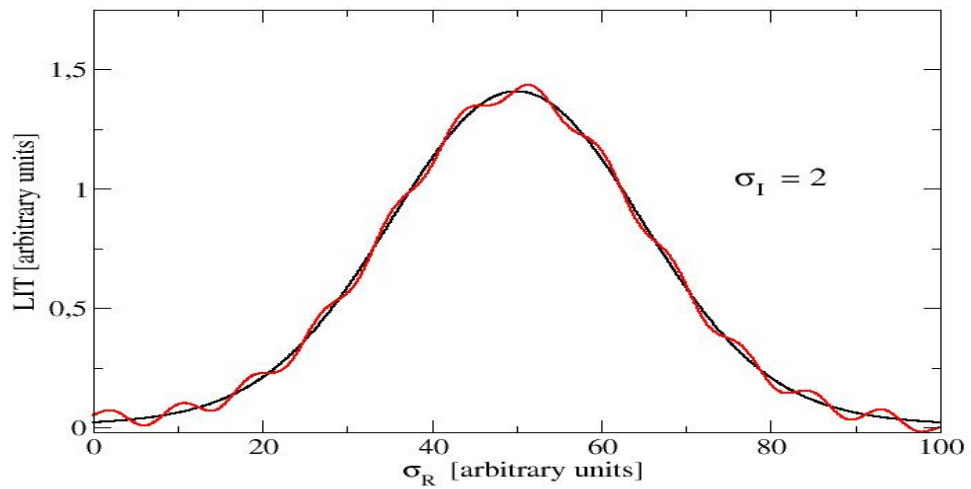
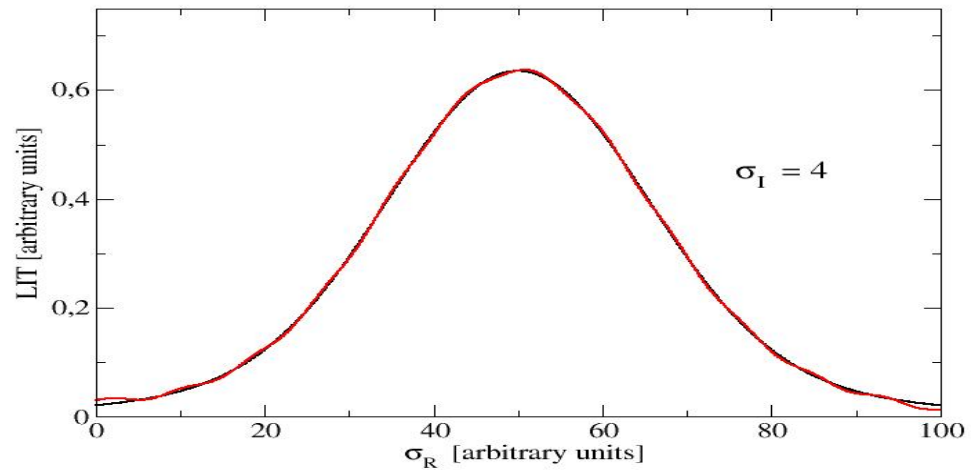


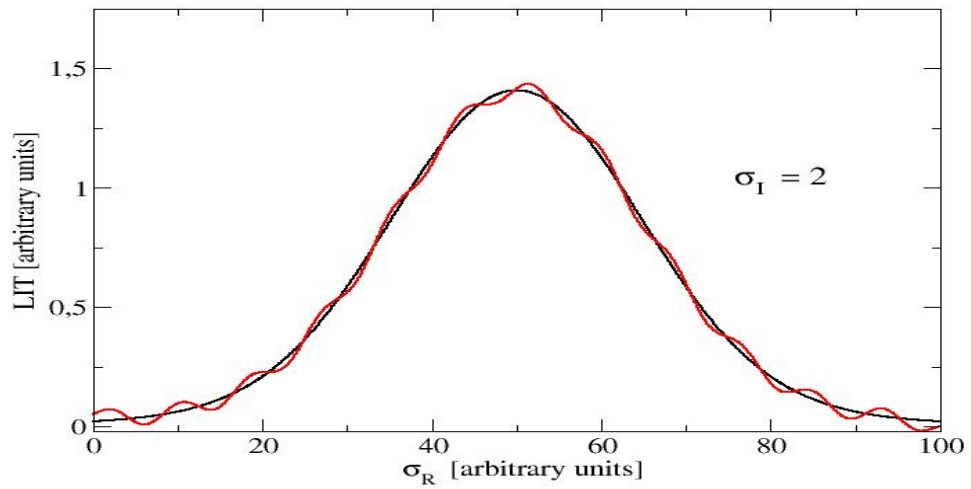
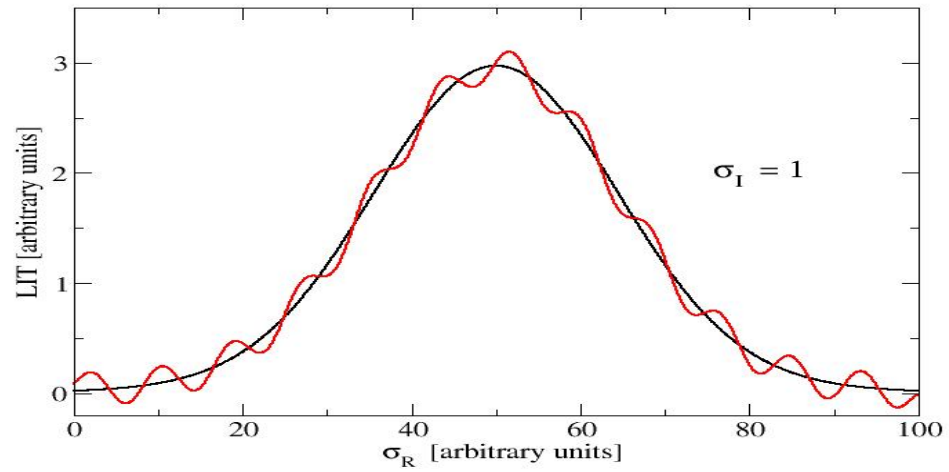












Conclusion:

LIT method is a method with a **controlled resolution**

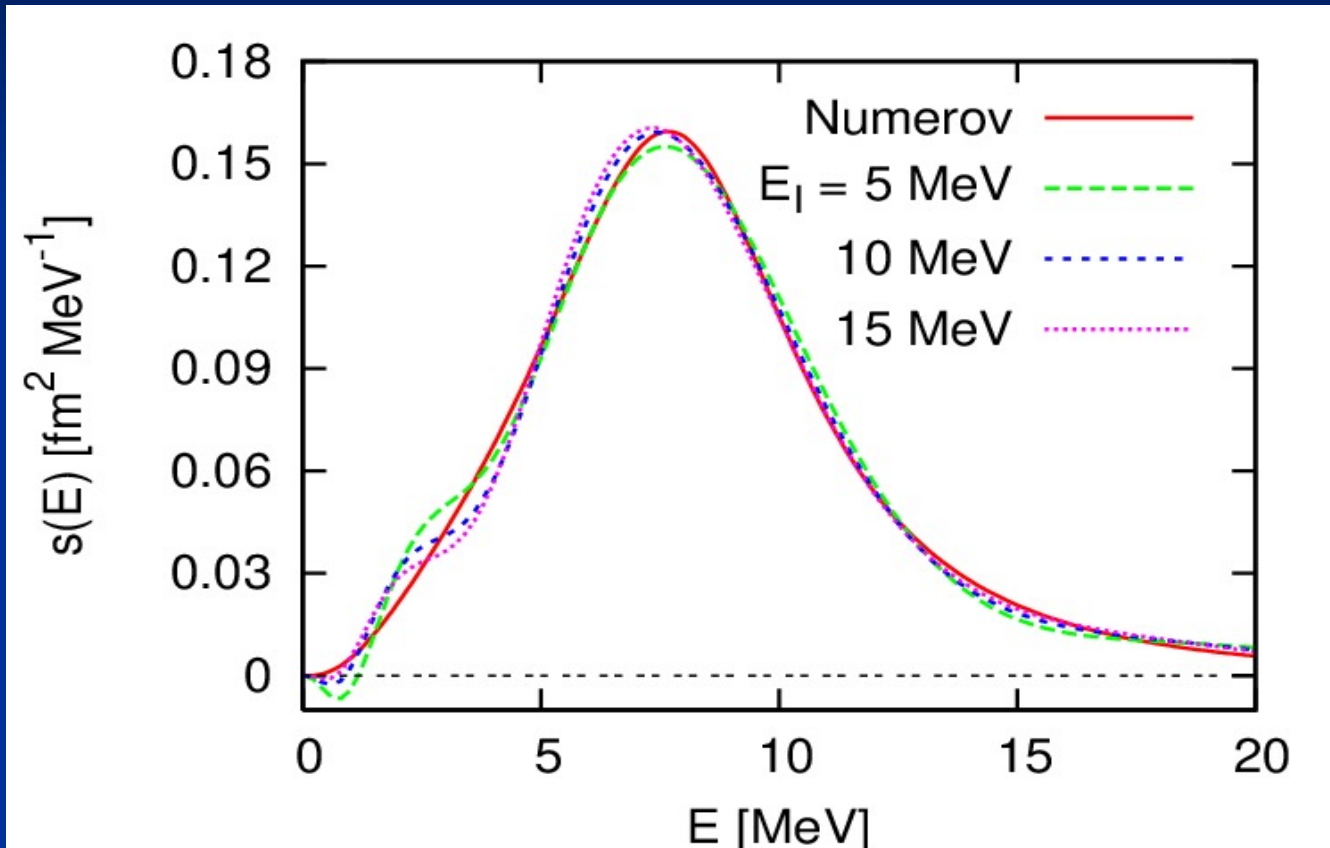
Consequence: discard inversions with structures having a width smaller than σ_1

Example from the literature that things can go wrong

Y. Suzuki, W. Horiuchi, D. Baye, Prog. Theor. Phys. 123, 547 (2010)

Electric dipole Photodisintegration of a three-particle system
interacting via a hypercentral potential

Model is **equivalent to a one-body problem** in which the hypercentral potential is represented by a central one and a nucleon with orbital angular momentum $3/2$ bound in this potential passes to the continuum state with orbital angular momentum $5/2$



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Reconsideration of the same Problem

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Calculation of wave functions and LIT: HO expansion

- Inversion with an extreme numerical precision
- Our standard inversion method

In both cases inversion with basis function set

$$\chi_n(E) = E^m \exp(-\alpha E/n) \quad \text{with } m=3$$

(E^3 behaviour at threshold)

Results

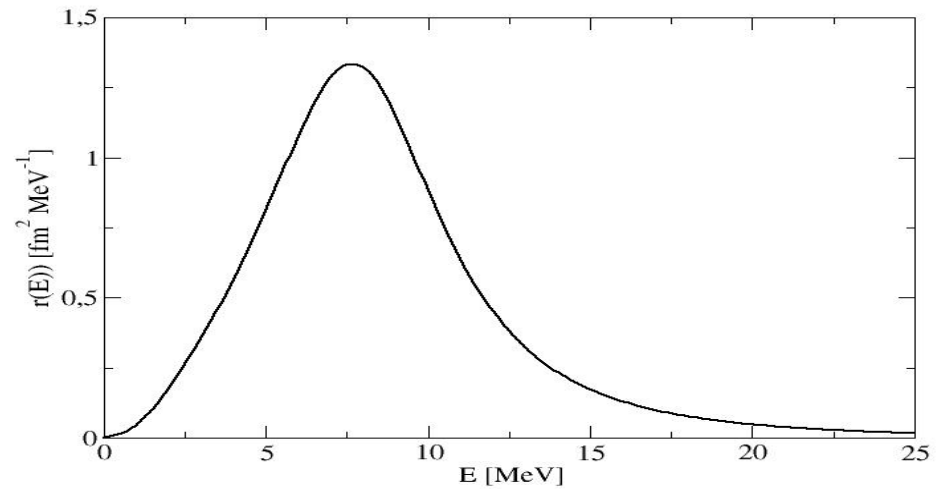
Ground-state energy: $-3.49262845170356(1)$ MeV

Continuum state: Phase shifts with precision of 7 digits

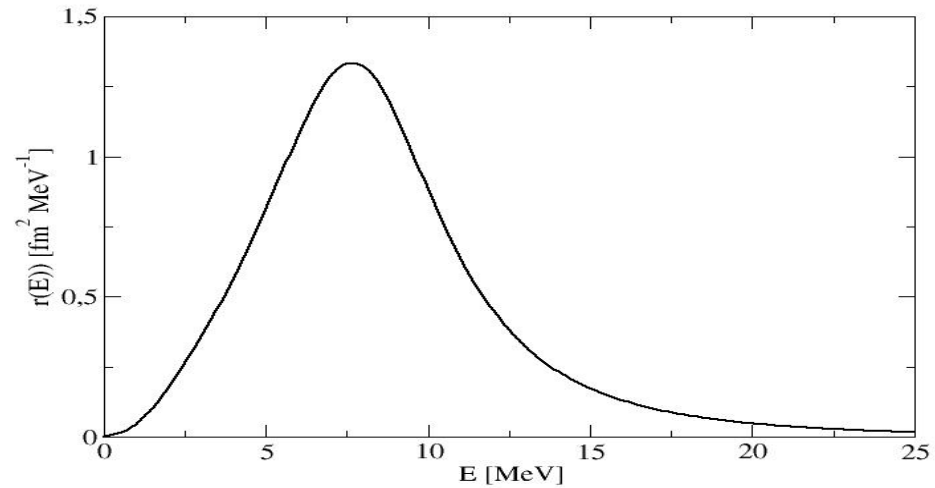
Response function with precision of 5 digits

LIT with precision of 7 digits

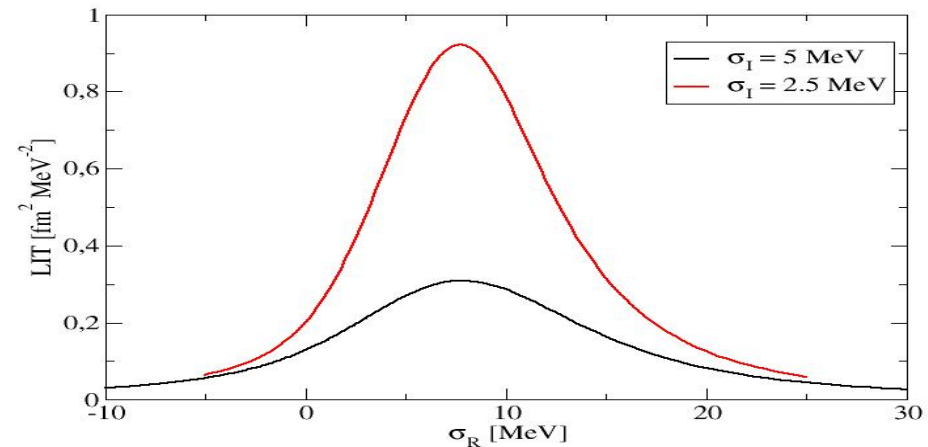
Our calculated
response function



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Our calculated LIT



Inversion calculated with quadrupole precision

For a given number of basis functions N a very precise search for the value of α that leads to the overall best fit to the calculated LIT is made. Recall definition of basis functions:

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$$\sigma_1 = 5 \text{ MeV}$$

		N				
E	exact	30	35	40	45	50
1	0.044	-0.042	0.012	0.015	0.009	0.005
2	0.177	0.215	0.178	0.196	0.198	0.237
3	0.354	0.361	0.363	0.357	0.356	0.349
4	0.564	0.559	0.559	0.561	0.562	0.564
8	1.321	1.322	1.321	1.321	1.321	1.322
12	0.452	0.452	0.452	0.452	0.452	0.452
16	0.130	0.130	0.130	0.130	0.130	0.130
20	0.048	0.048	0.048	0.048	0.048	0.048

$$\sigma_1 = 2.5 \text{ MeV}$$

		N						
E	exact	10	15	20	23	25	27	28
1	0.044	0.107	0.113	0.029	0.044	0.044	0.041	0.043
2	0.177	0.118	0.158	0.167	0.186	0.183	0.176	0.184
3	0.354	0.390	0.358	0.362	0.355	0.355	0.356	0.355
4	0.564	0.571	0.561	0.560	0.563	0.563	0.563	0.563
8	1.321	1.311	1.321	1.321	1.321	1.321	1.321	1.321
12	0.452	0.454	0.452	0.452	0.452	0.452	0.452	0.452
16	0.130	0.131	0.130	0.131	0.131	0.131	0.130	0.131
20	0.048	0.048	0.049	0.049	0.049	0.049	0.048	0.049

Now to our standard inversion method (double precision)

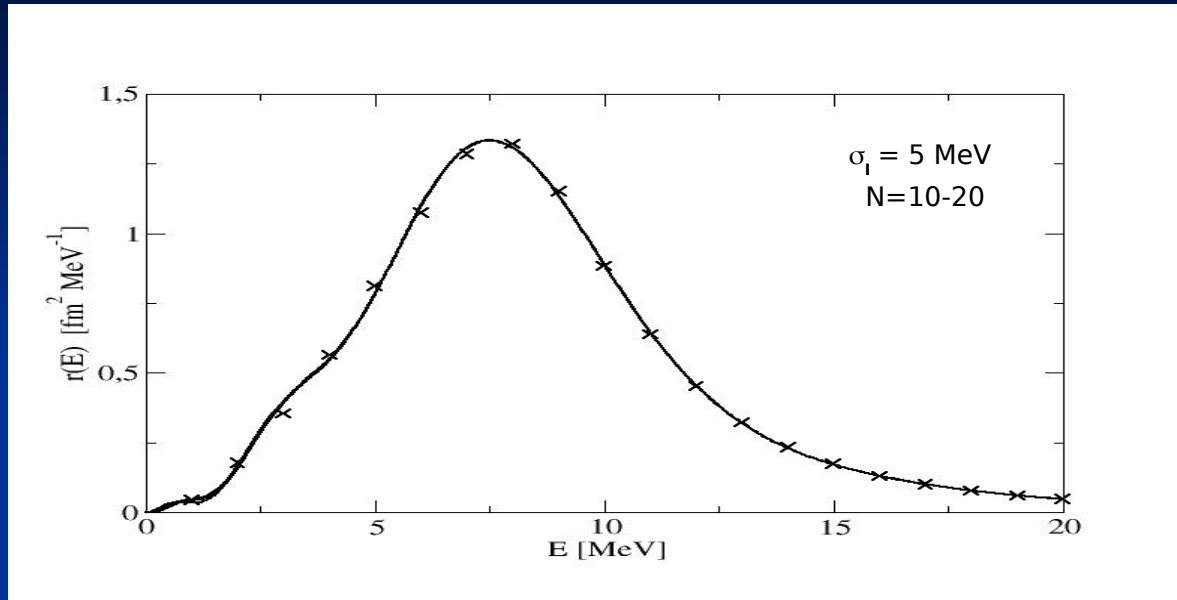
Search for best α value on a grid

Here $\alpha(j) = \frac{1000}{j}$ with $j = 1, 2, 3, \dots, 1500$

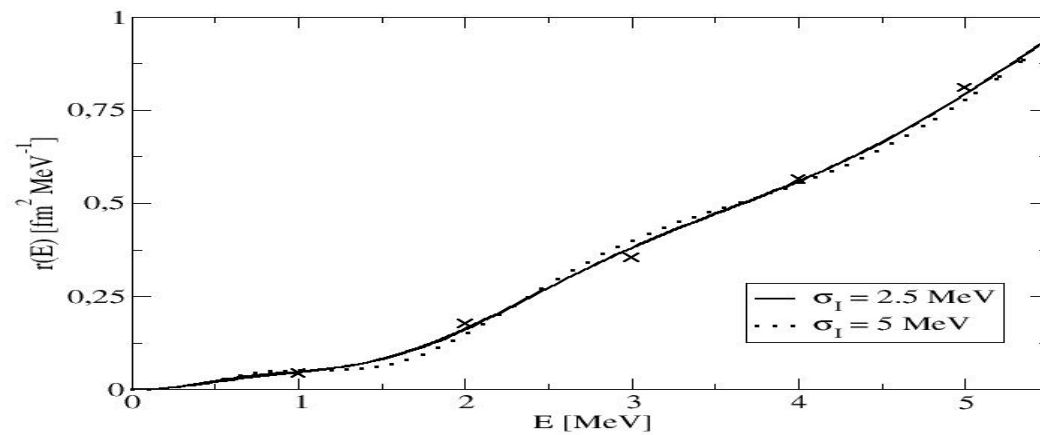
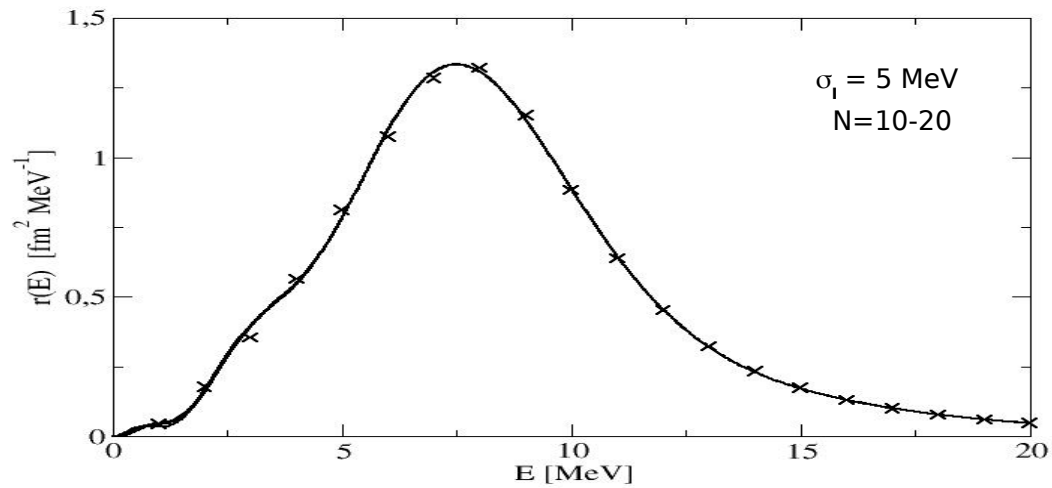
But discard inversions with

- a not positive definite response
- a response having structures of a width smaller than σ_1

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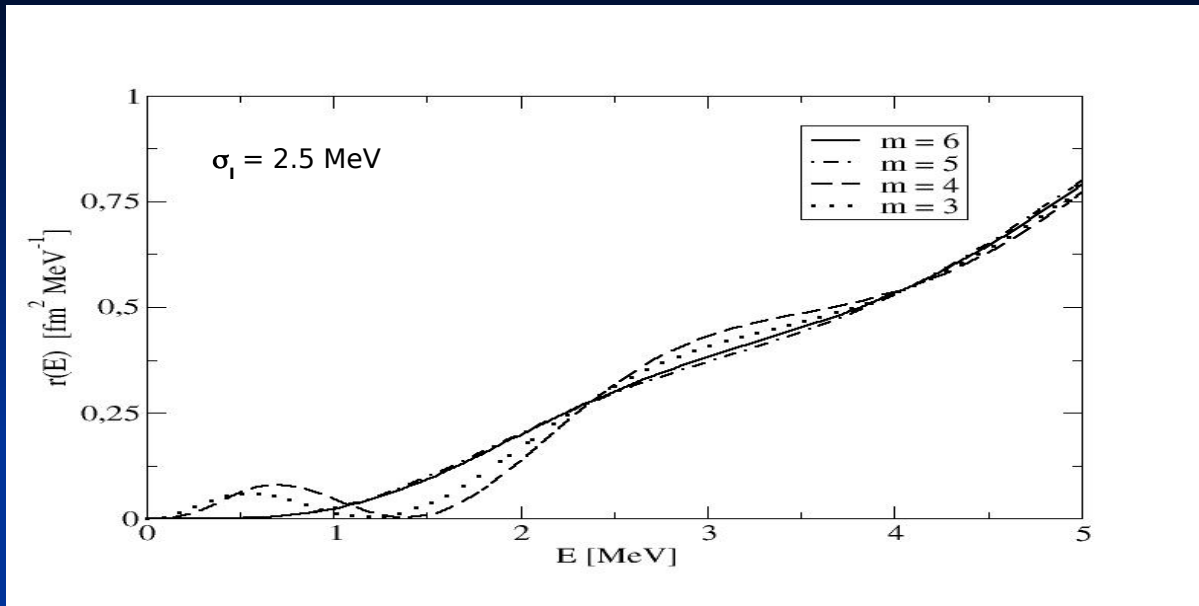
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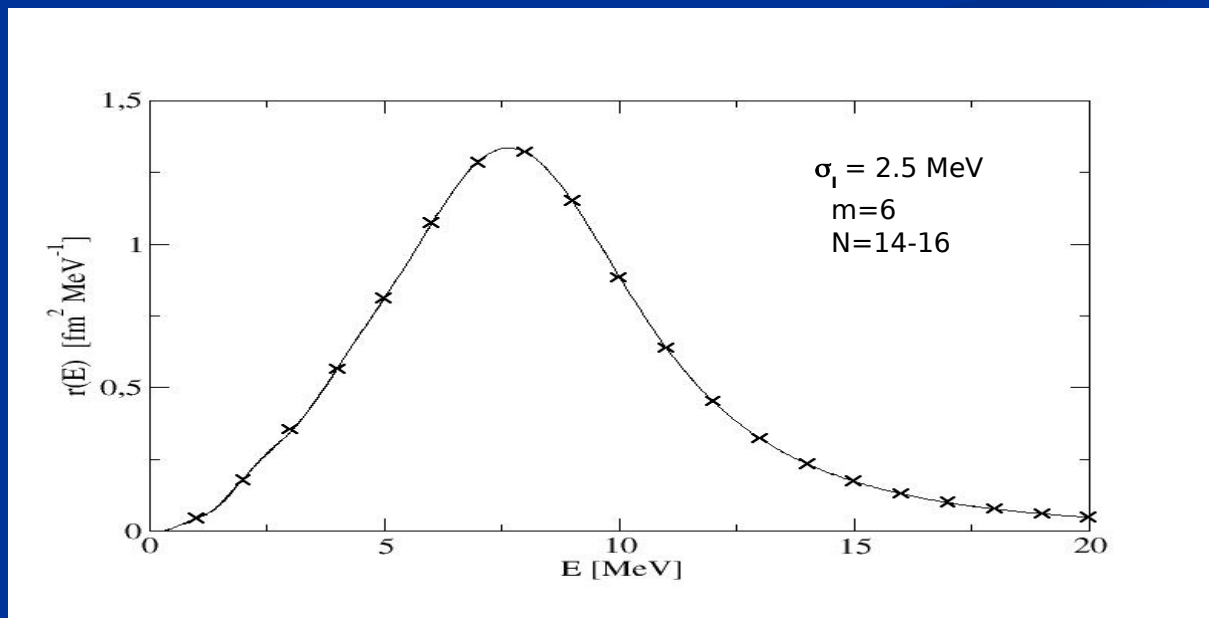
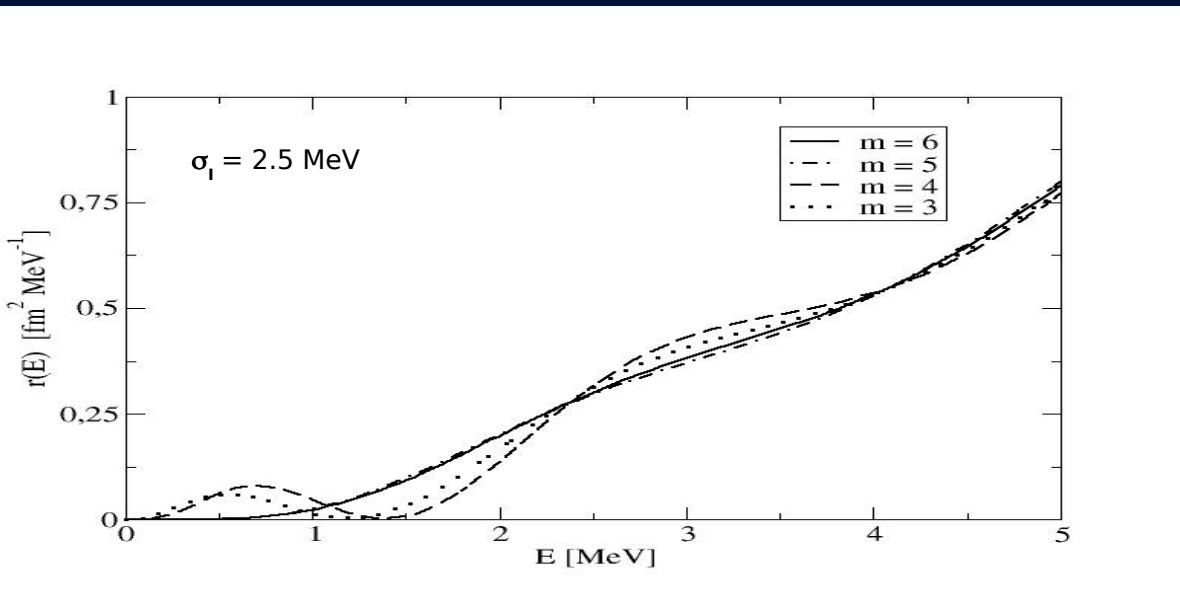
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Modify threshold behaviour implemented in basis functions



Different threshold behaviour: E^m with $m = 3, 4, 5, 6$
and $N=8$



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Our standard inversion method leads to reliable results when obeying the rules of the inversion game:

discard inversions with a negative response function

minimize structures having a width smaller than σ_1

Summary

LIT method

- ★ reduces a continuum state problem to a bound-state like problem
- ★ is a method with a controlled resolution
- ★ leads to reliable results for a controlled inversion