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# Molecular interactions and reactions for diatomics and triatomics

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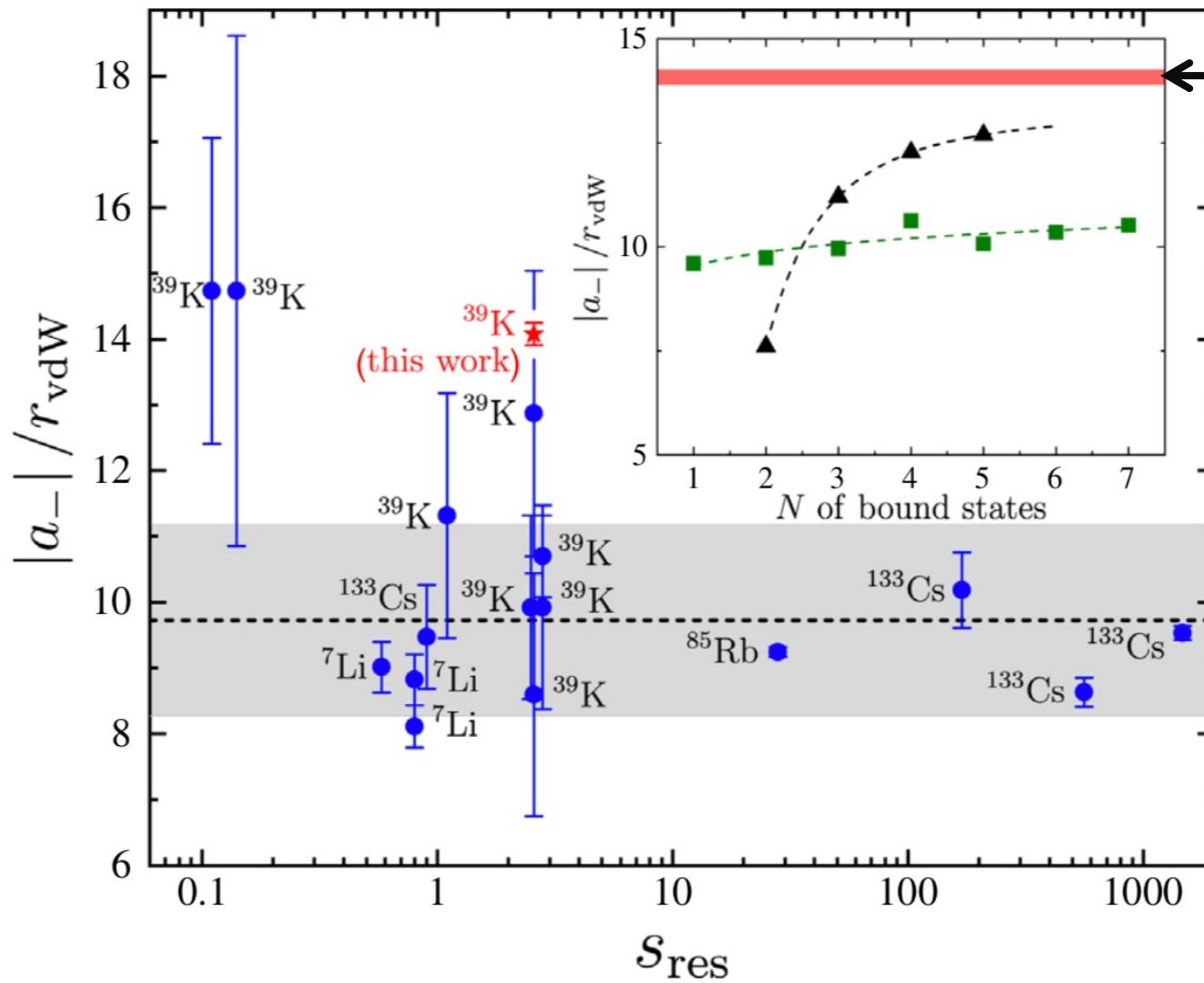
# Molecules

1. 2-body
  - Very accurate, coupled channels, bound + scattering
  - Long-range potential (van der Waals length, energy)
  - Weakly bound, near threshold (e.g., Feshbach molecules)
  - Near ground state (deeply bound, “normal”)
2. 3-body
  - Weakly bound, near threshold (Efimov, universality?)
  - 3-body recombination
    - Loss rate, magnitude, “shape” vs  $B$  or  $T$
    - Product distributions--role of spin
  - Atom-dimer collisions (Efimov, chemistry)
  - Accurate 3-body calculations: pairwise long-range 2-body + numerical
3. “4-body”
  - Chemical reactions of diatomics
  - Universal rates
  - Resonance spectrum (chaotic or non-chaotic)?
  - Product distributions

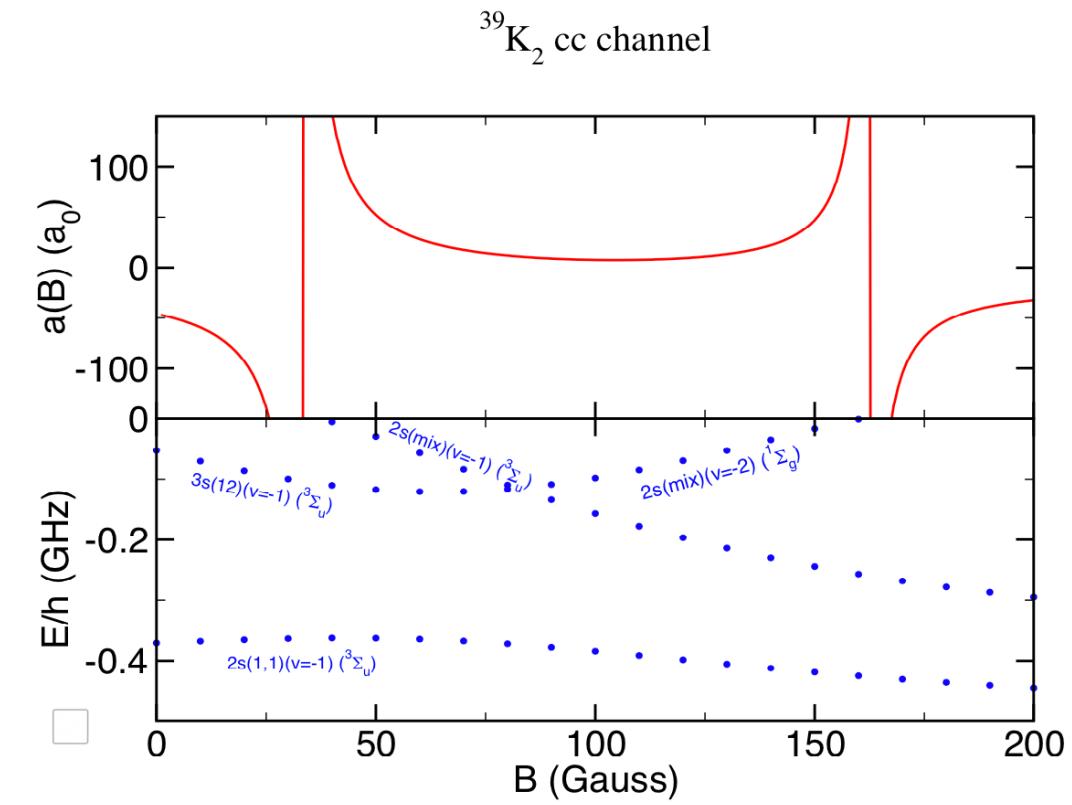
# Precision Test of the Limits to Universality in Few-Body Physics

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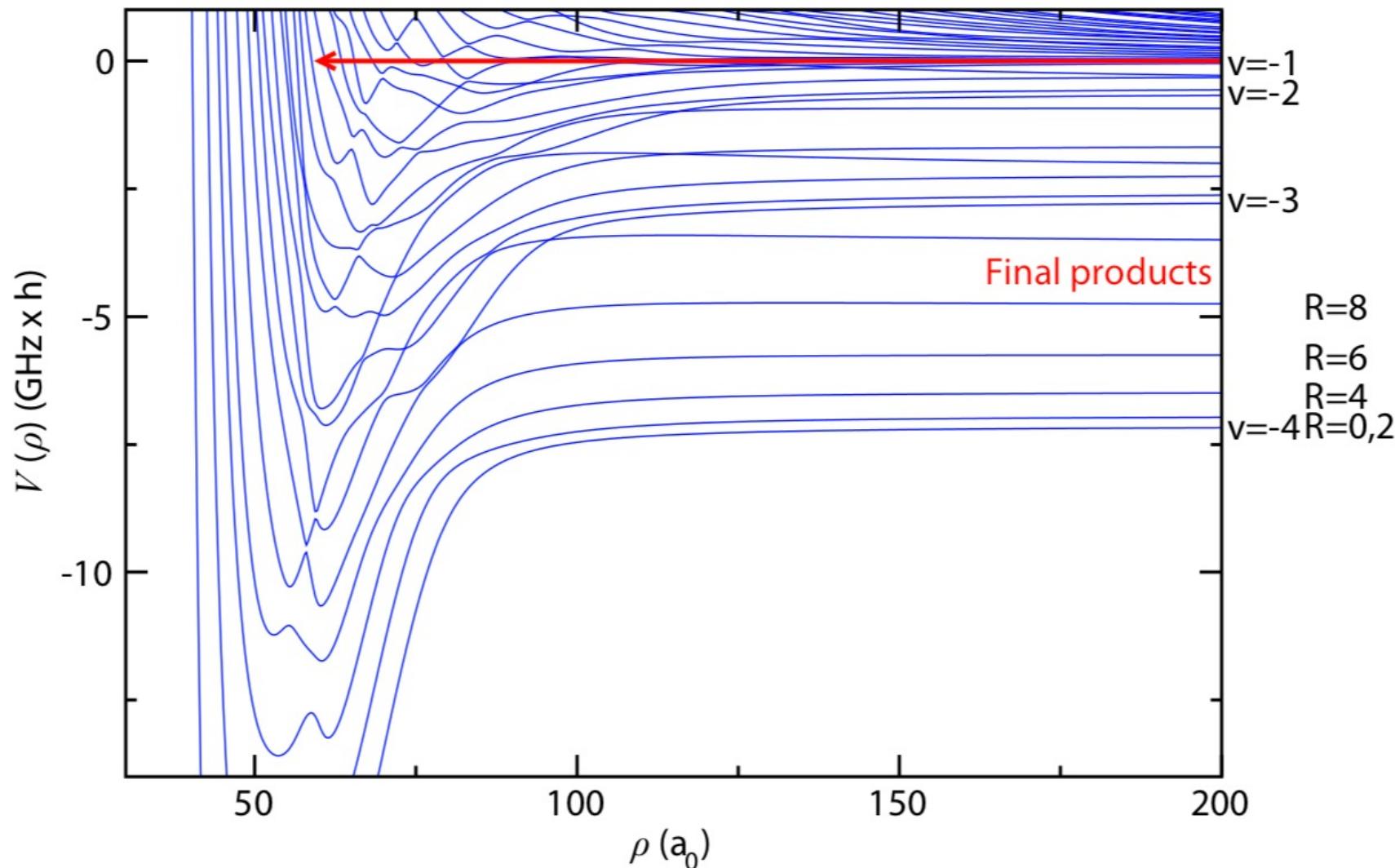
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Secker, Li, Mestrom, Kokkelmans,  
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Numerical, multichannel AGS



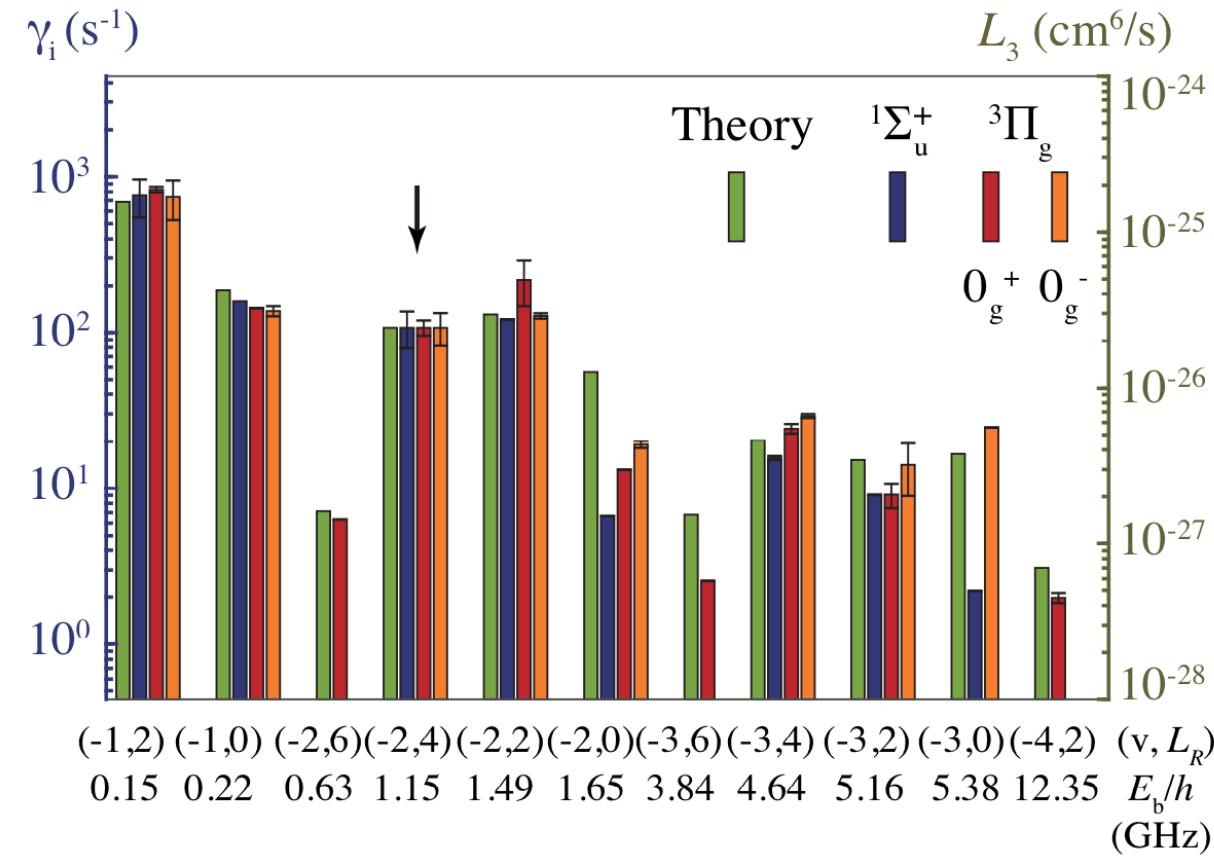
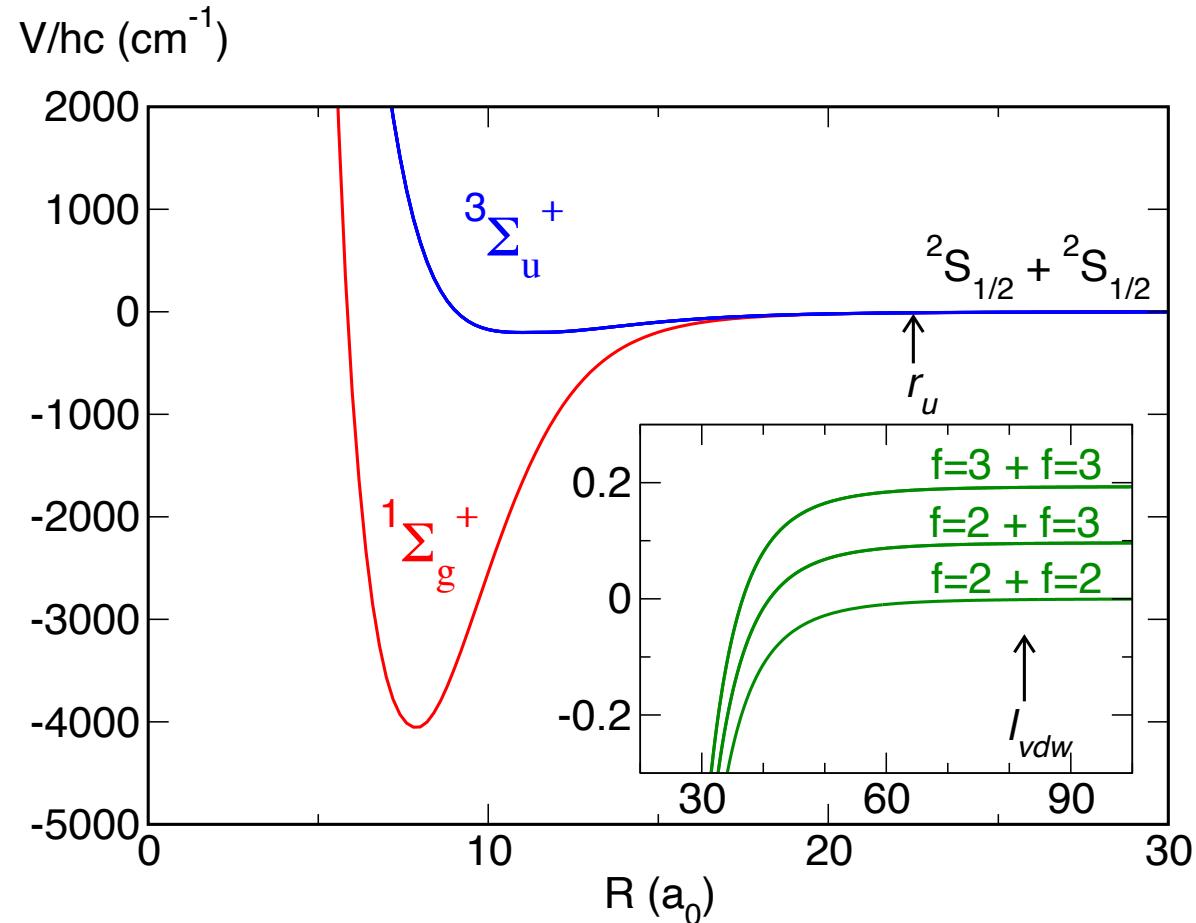
# Adiabatic hyperspherical potential energy curves, $^{87}\text{Rb}_3$ 4 s-wave bound states

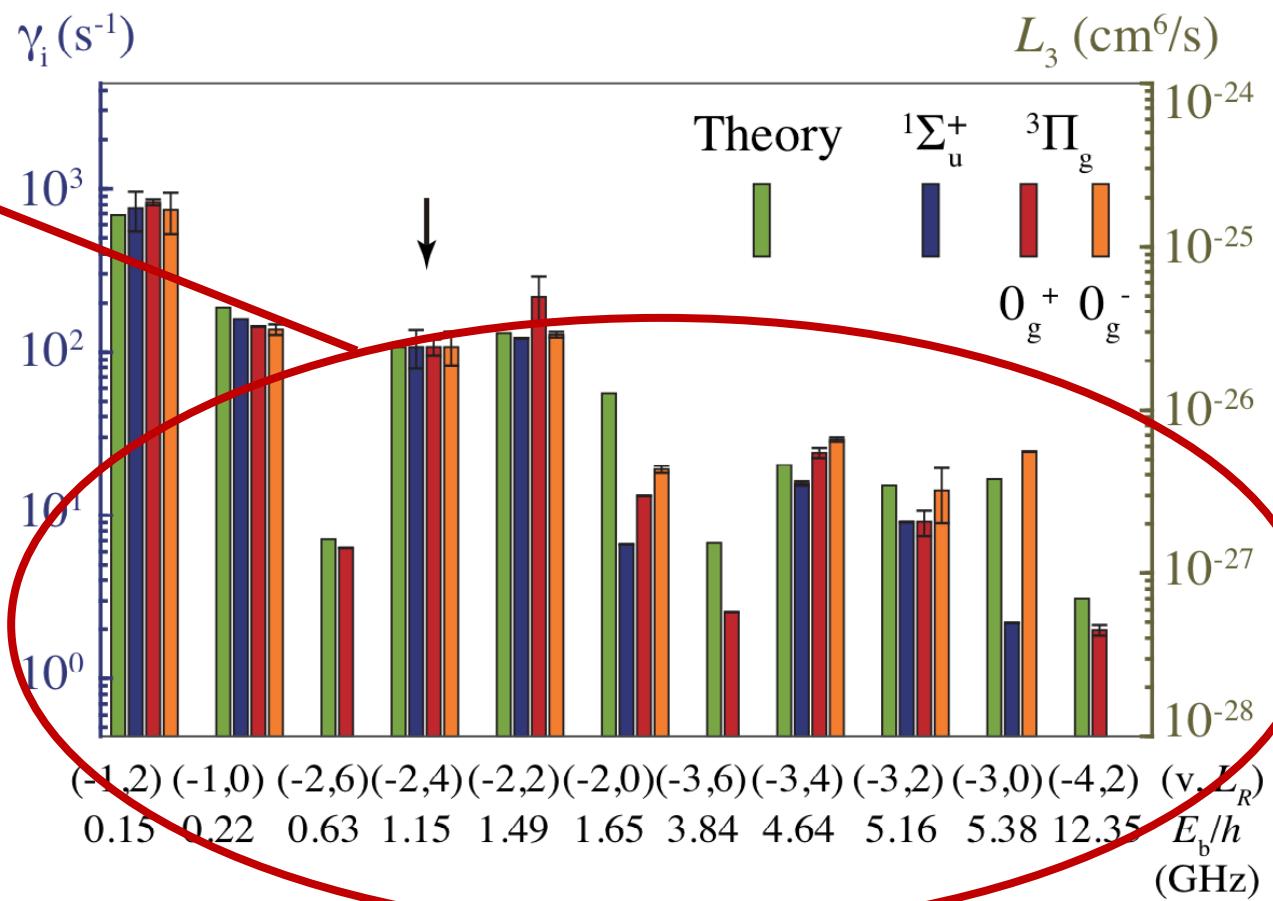
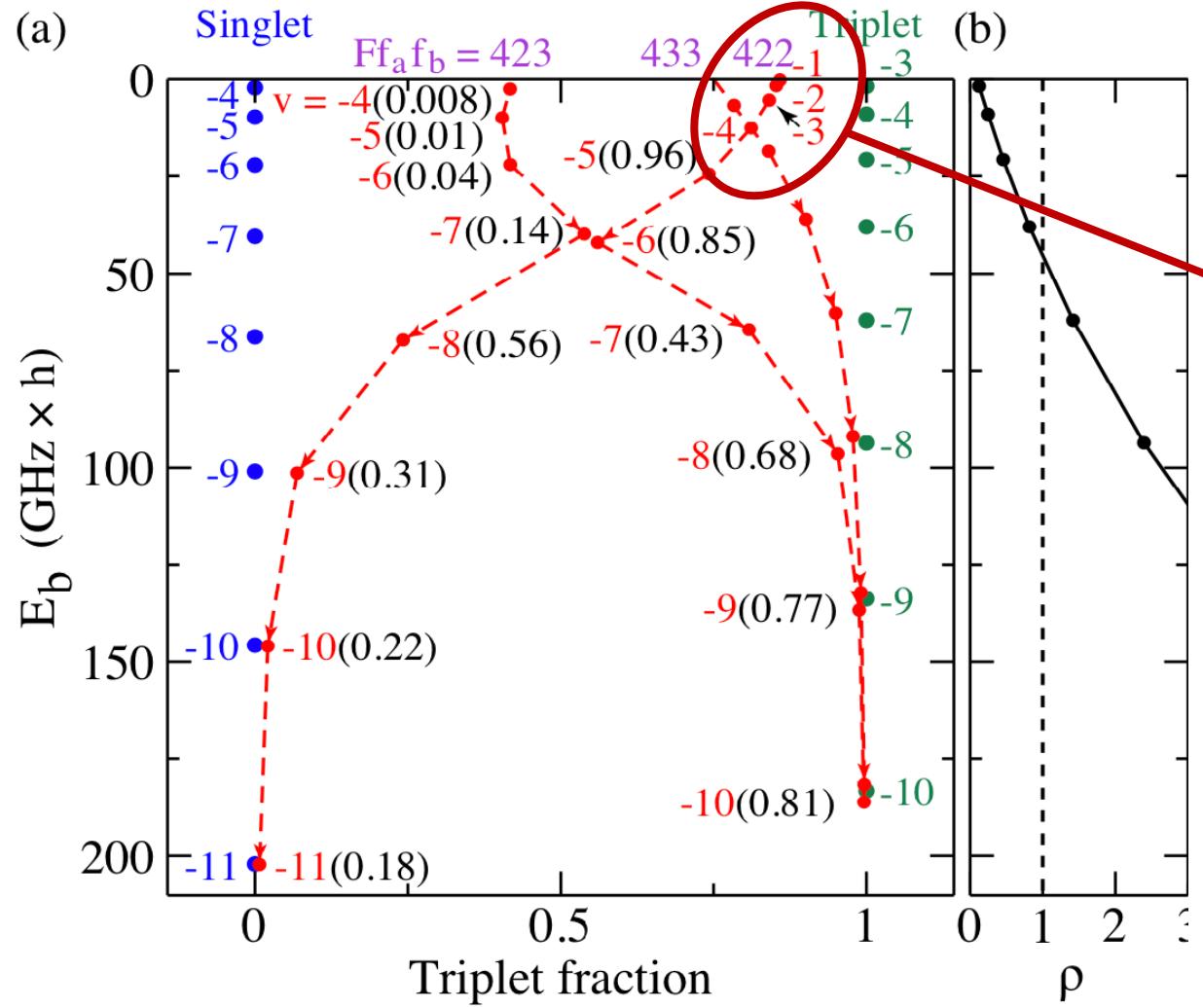


# Spin-Conservation Propensity Rule for Three-Body Recombination of Ultracold Rb Atoms

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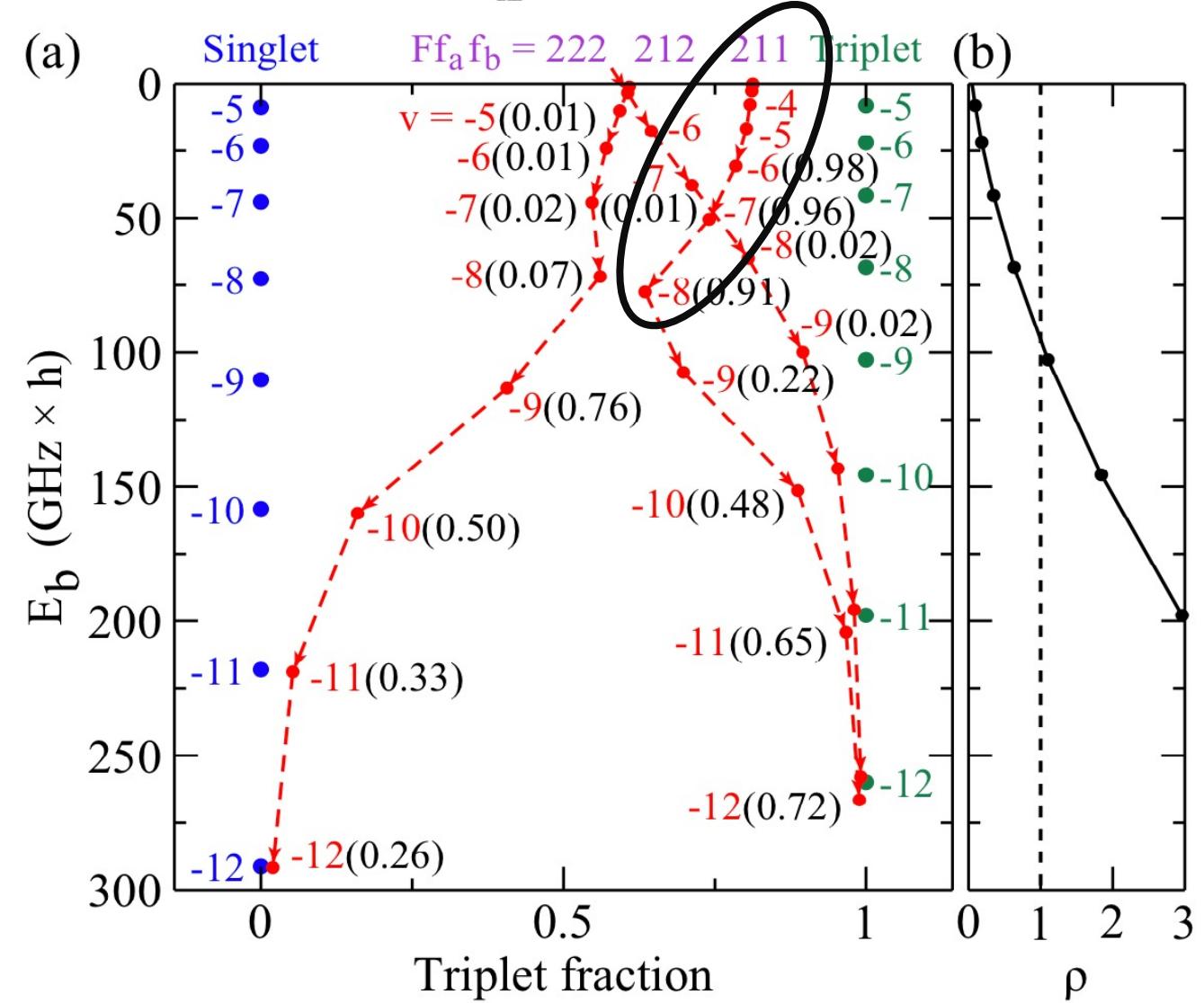
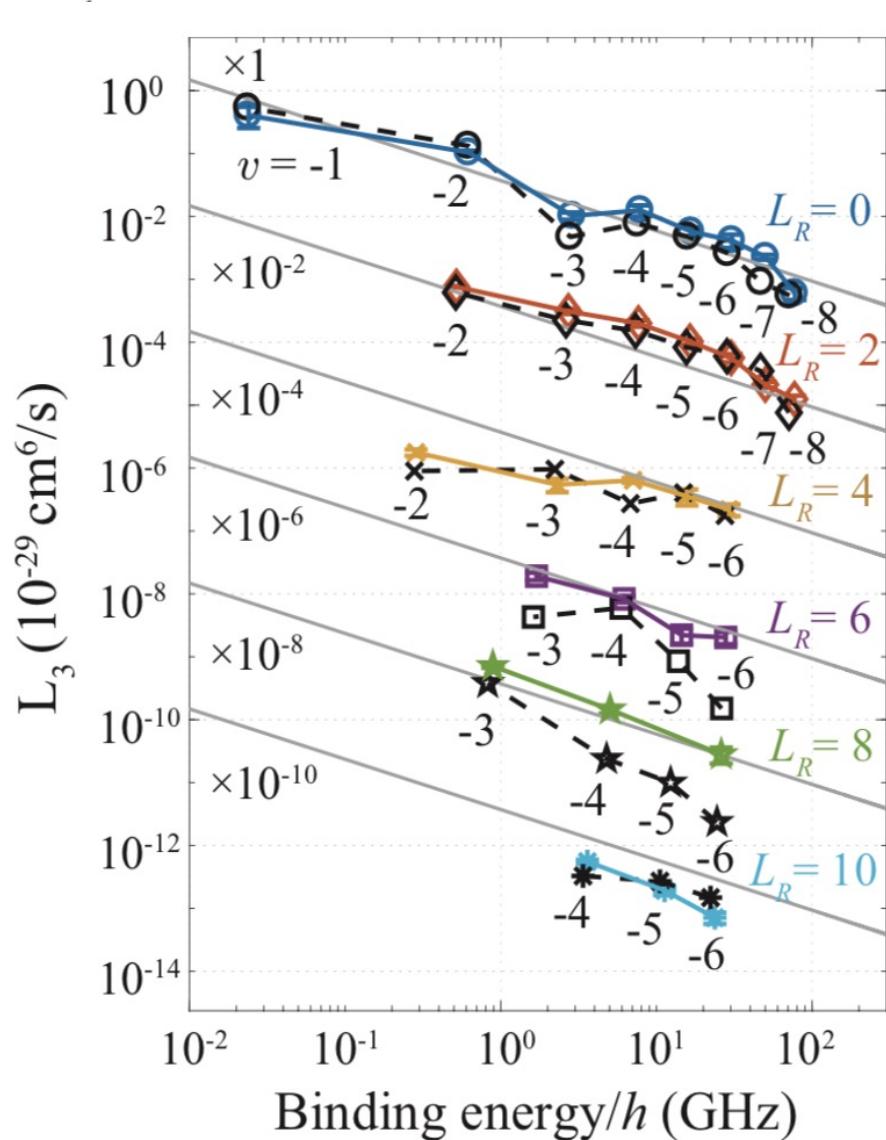
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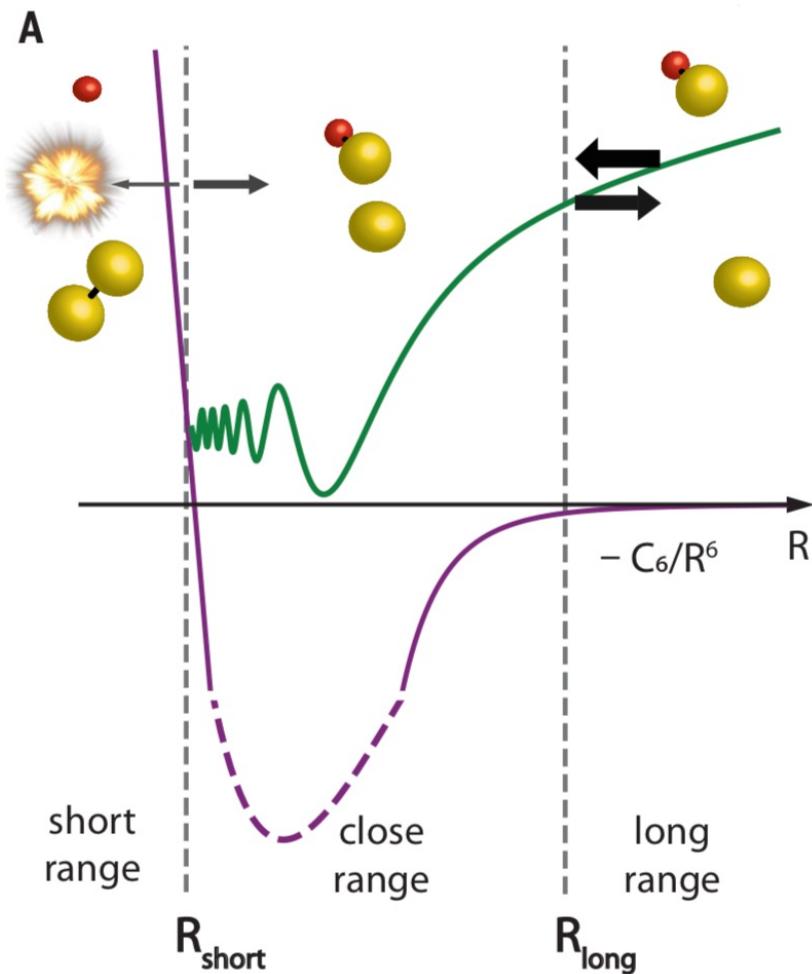
# Energy-scaling of the product state distribution for three-body recombination of ultracold atoms

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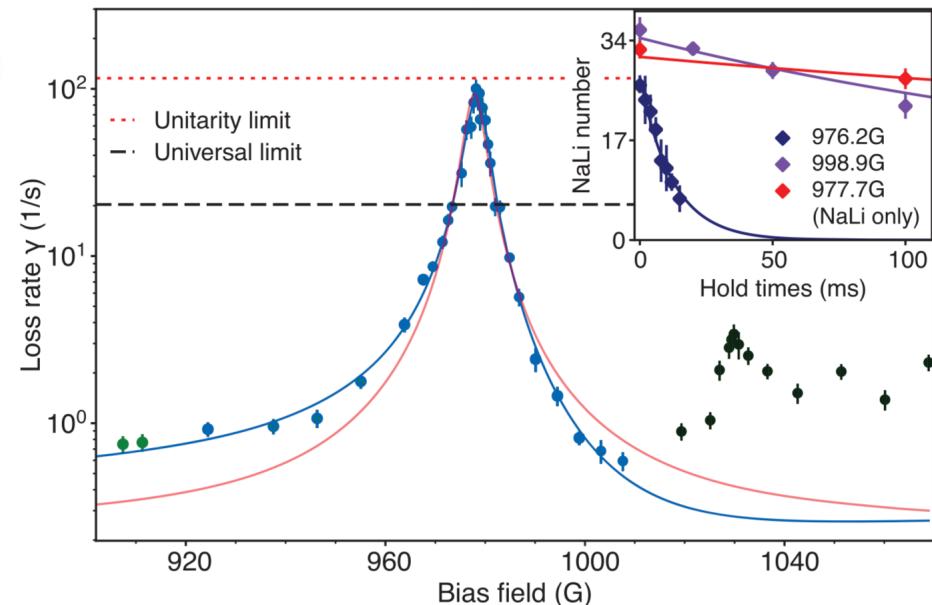
# Control of reactive collisions by quantum interference

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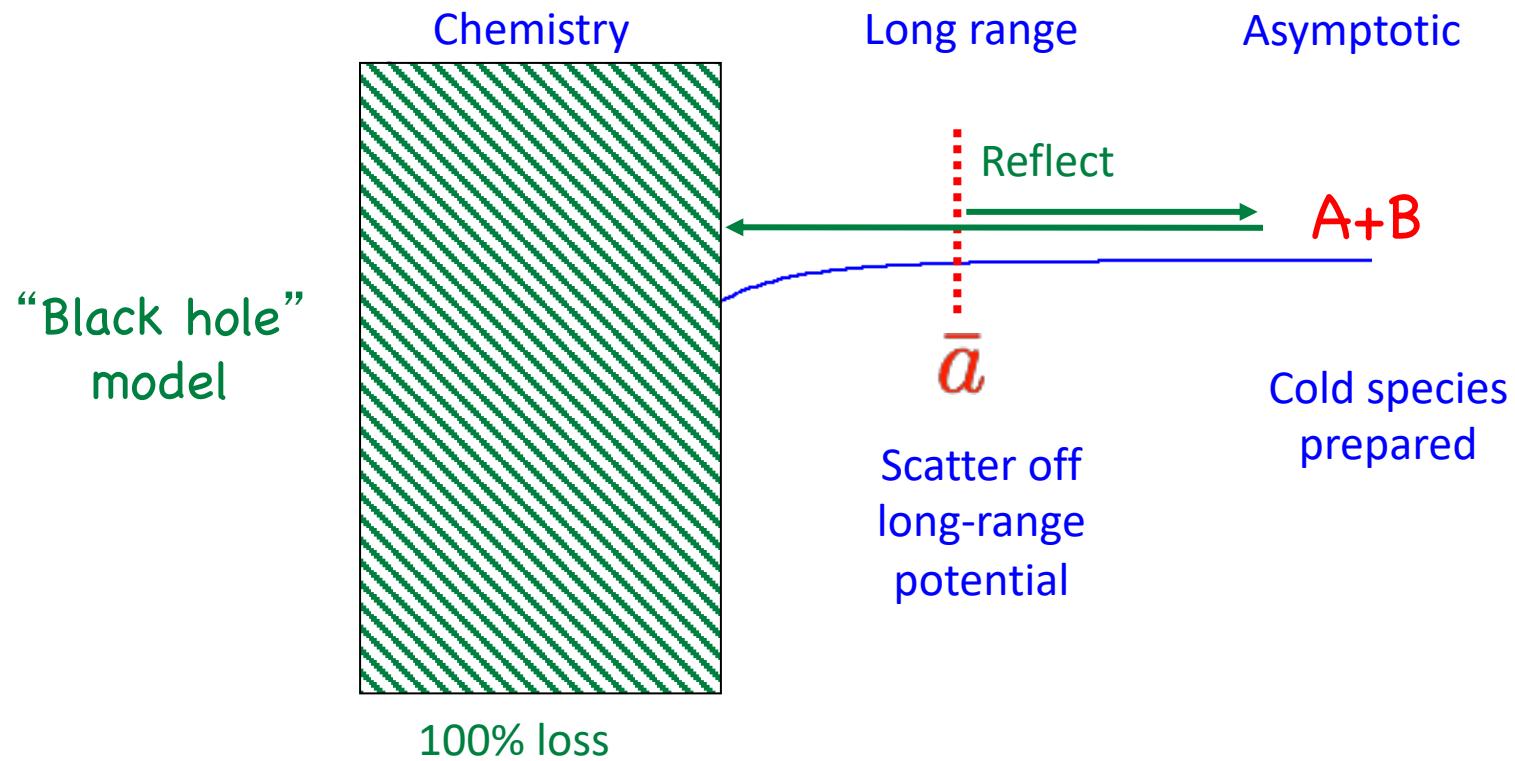
Na + NaLi

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$$\tilde{a} = \bar{a} \left( s + y \frac{1 + (1-s)^2}{i + y(1-s)} \right) \equiv \alpha - i\beta$$

“Universal” van der Waals capture model  
 Quantum version of classical Langevin (1905) and Gorin (1938) models



$$\tilde{a}_0 = \bar{a}(1 - i)$$

Identical fermions (p-wave):

$$K_{\ell=0}^{\text{loss}}(E) = 2 \frac{\hbar}{\mu} \bar{a}$$

$$K_{\ell=1}^{\text{loss}}(T) = 1513 \bar{a}^3 \frac{k_B T}{\hbar}$$

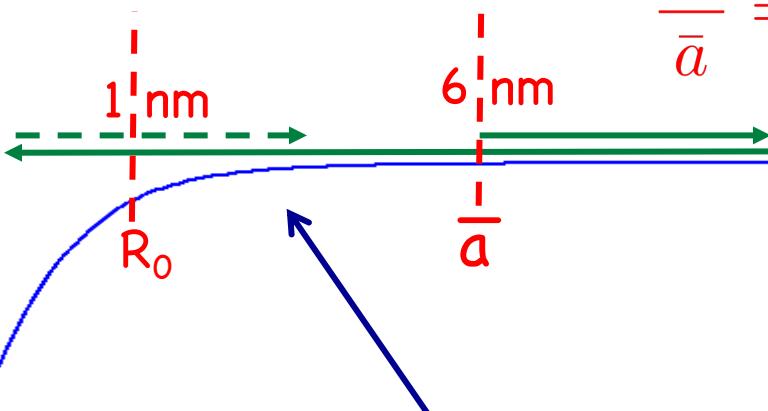
# “grey hole” reaction rate theory

Partial  
Absorption  
 $0 \leq y \leq 1$



Parameterised by

$$s = a/\bar{a} \text{ and } y$$



vdW: analytic

$$\frac{\tilde{a}_0}{\bar{a}} = s + y \frac{1 + (1 - s)^2}{i + y(1 - s)}$$

$$\Psi(r) = A \left[ \frac{e^{-i\beta(r;s)}}{\sqrt{k(r)}} + \left( \frac{1-y}{1+y} \right) \frac{e^{+i\beta(r;s)}}{\sqrt{k(r)}} \right]$$

Universal(vdW) “black hole”:  $\tilde{a}_0 = \bar{a}(1-i)$  when  $y \rightarrow 1$

$$\tilde{a}_1 = \bar{a}_1(k\bar{a})^2(-1-i)$$

$$\bar{a}_1 = 1.064\bar{a}$$

# Article

# Precision test of statistical dynamics with state-to-state ultracold chemistry

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