

Cold atoms in quasi-1D traps: beyond the zero-range approximation

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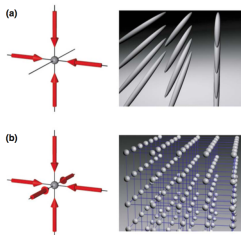


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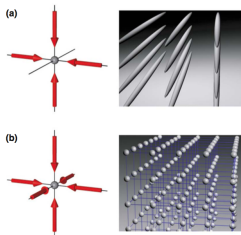


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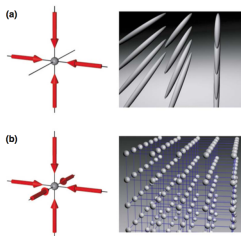


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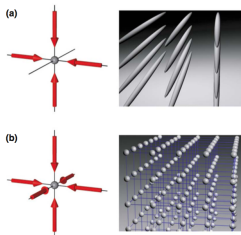


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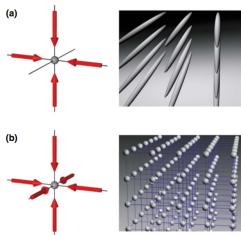


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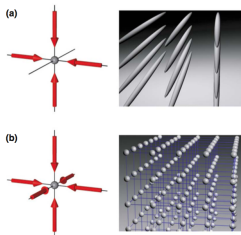


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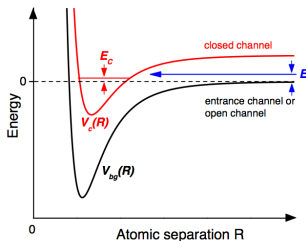
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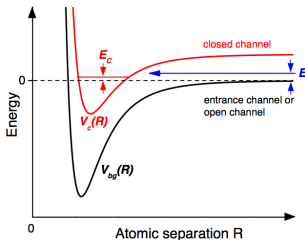


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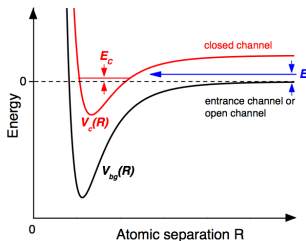


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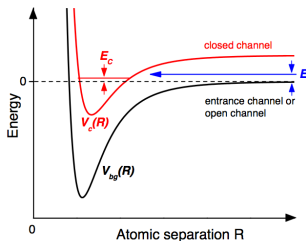
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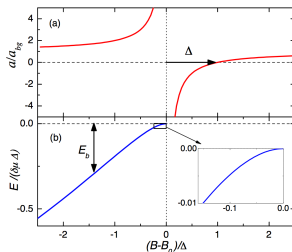


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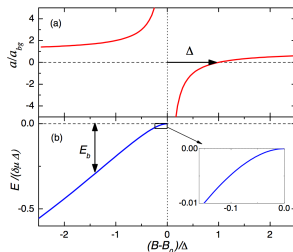


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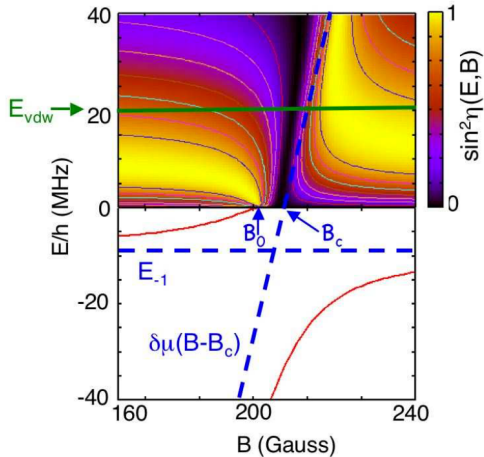
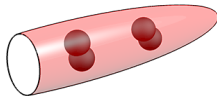


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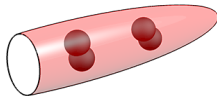
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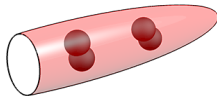
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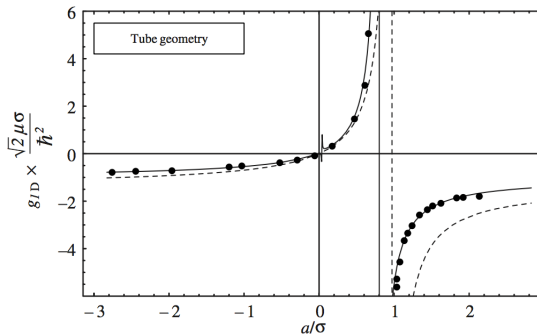
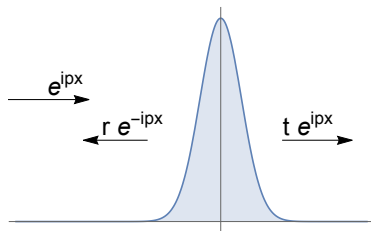


Figure: Naidon, NJP 2007; Bergeman, PRL 2003, Lennard-Jones potential

theory remains valid for $d \gtrsim \bar{a}$, independently of a_{3D}

Transmission coefficient

convenient analysis in terms of transmission coefficient



$$T(p) = |1 + f|^2 = \frac{1}{1 + \tan^2 \delta_{1D}(p)}$$

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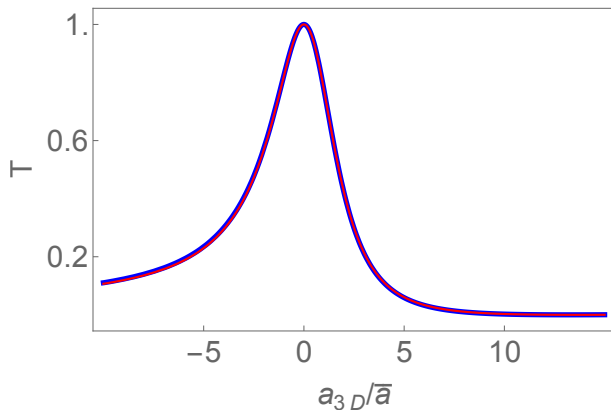


Figure: Wide trap $d = 20\bar{a}$, wide resonance - typical conditions in Innsbruck experiment

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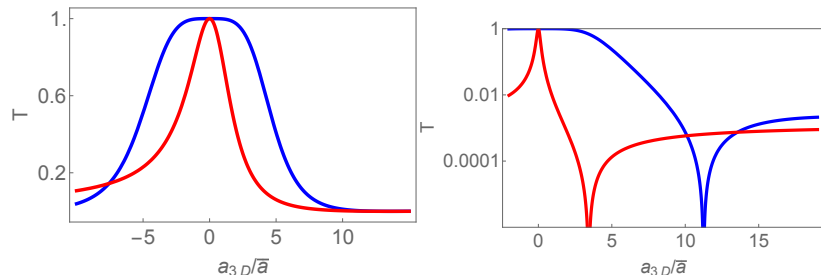


Figure: left: $d = 20\bar{a}$, right: $d = 5\bar{a}$

Theory without effective range corrections fails!

Role of effective range II

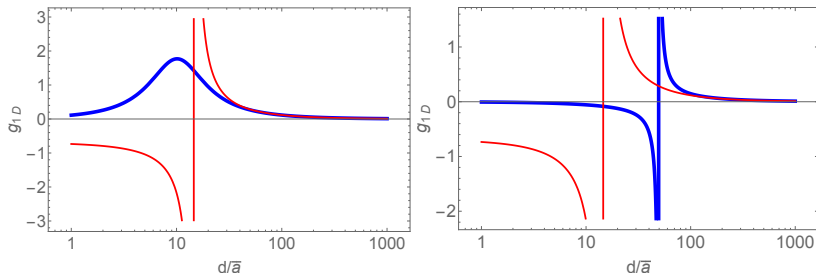


Figure: g_{1D} with (blue) and without corrections for two different narrow resonances at $a_{3D} = 10\bar{a}$; note that red curve remains the same!

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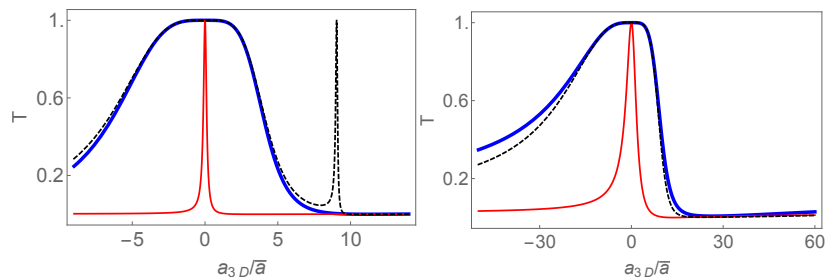


Figure: Transmission for two narrow resonances; GLL denoted by black dashed line

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