

Efimov Physics from Cold Atoms to Nuclei

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- Introduction
- Efimov physics and the unitary limit
 - Ultracold atoms
 - Halo nuclei
 - Shallow bound states in a box
- Summary and Outlook

⇒ Parallel session A4: Efimov physics, Tu 17:00 h

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Universality and Pointilism

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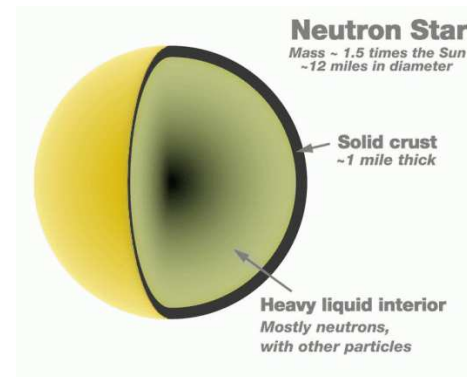
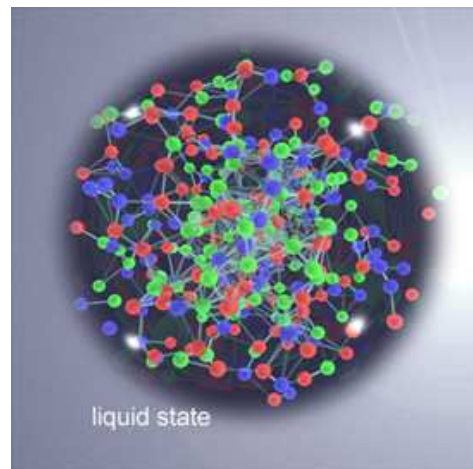


G. Seurat, A Sunday on La Grande Jatte

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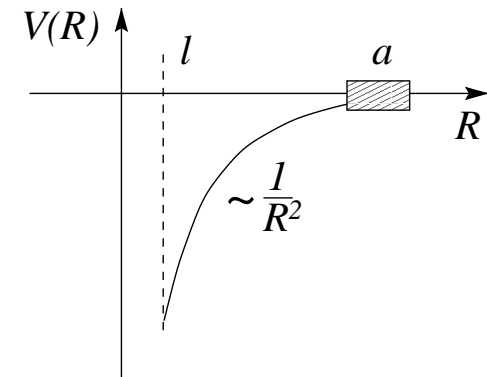
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- Use as starting point for description of few-body properties
 - Large scattering length: $|a| \gg \ell \sim r_e, l_{vdW}, \dots$
 - Natural expansion parameter: $\ell/|a|, k\ell, \dots$
 - Universal dimer with energy $E_d = -1/(ma^2)$ ($a > 0$)
size $\langle r^2 \rangle^{1/2} = a/2 \implies$ halo state

- Three-boson system near the unitary limit (Efimov, 1970)
- Hyperspherical coordinates: $R^2 = (r_{12}^2 + r_{13}^2 + r_{23}^2)/3$
- Schrödinger equation simplifies for $|a| \gg R \gg l$:

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial R^2} + \frac{s_0^2 + 1/4}{R^2} \right] f(R) = \underbrace{-\frac{\hbar^2 \kappa^2}{m}}_E f(R)$$



- Singular Potential: renormalization required
- Boundary condition at small R : breaks scale invariance
 - \implies scale invariance is anomalous
 - \implies observables depend on boundary condition and a
- Universality concept must be extended \implies 3-body parameter

- Effective Lagrangian

(Kaplan, 1997; Bedaque, HWH, van Kolck, 1999)

$$\mathcal{L}_d = \psi^\dagger \left(i\partial_t + \frac{\vec{\nabla}^2}{2m} \right) \psi + \frac{g_2}{4} d^\dagger d - \frac{g_2}{4} (d^\dagger \psi^2 + (\psi^\dagger)^2 d) - \frac{g_3}{36} d^\dagger d \psi^\dagger \psi + \dots$$

- 2-body amplitude:

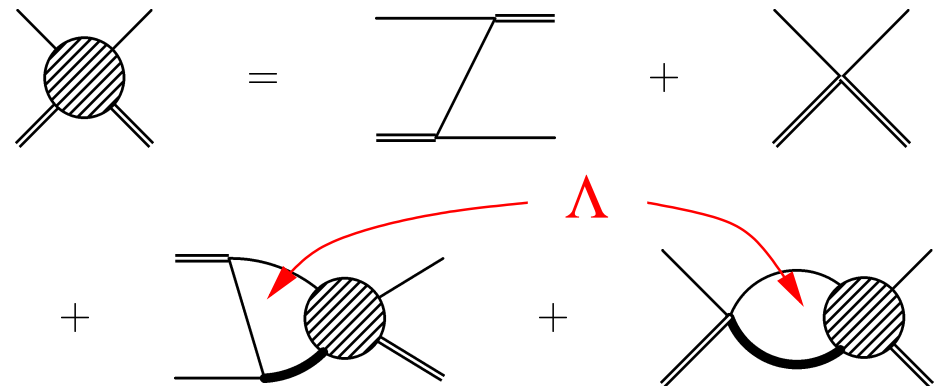
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- 2-body coupling g_2 near fixed point ($1/a = 0$)

\Rightarrow **scale and conformal invariance** \iff **unitary limit**

(Mehen, Stewart, Wise, 2000; Nishida, Son, 2007; ...)

- 3-body amplitude:



$g_3(\Lambda) \Rightarrow$ **limit cycle**

\Rightarrow **discrete scale inv.**

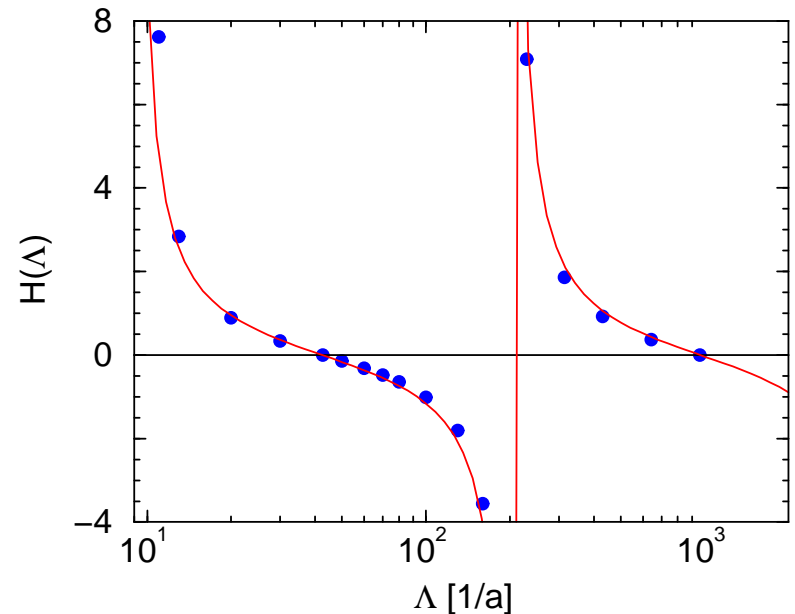
- RG invariance \implies running coupling $H(\Lambda) = g_3 \Lambda^2 / (9g_2^2)$

- $H(\Lambda)$ periodic: **limit cycle**

$$\Lambda \rightarrow \Lambda e^{n\pi/s_0} \approx \Lambda (22.7)^n$$

(cf. Wilson, 1971)

- **Anomaly**: scale invariance broken to discrete subgroup



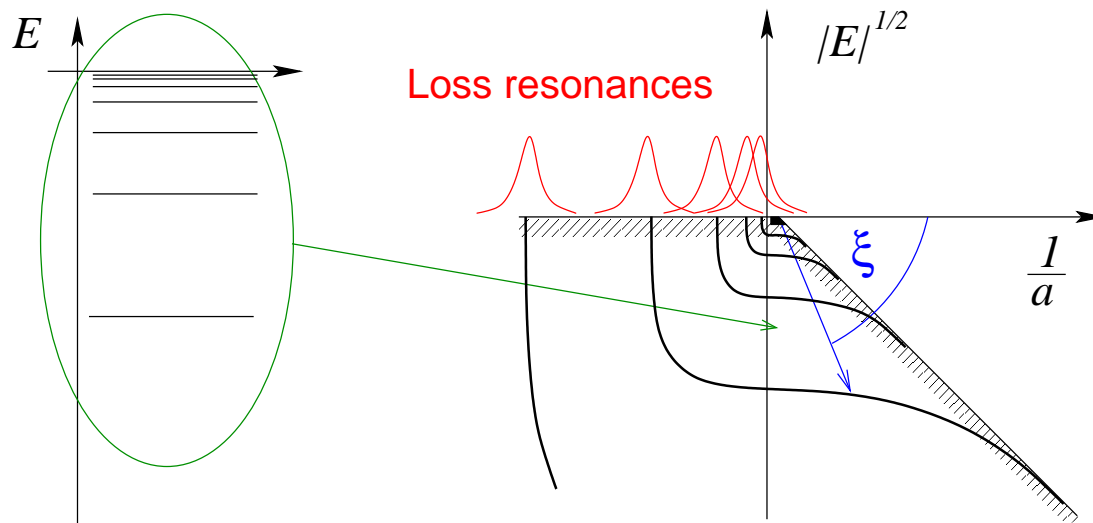
$$H(\Lambda) \approx \frac{\cos(s_0 \ln(\Lambda/\Lambda_*) + \arctan(s_0))}{\cos(s_0 \ln(\Lambda/\Lambda_*) - \arctan(s_0))}, \quad s_0 \approx 1.00624$$

(Bedaque, HWH, van Kolck, 1999)

- **Three-body parameter**: Λ_*, \dots
- **Limit cycle** \iff **Discrete scale invariance** \iff **Efimov physics**

Limit Cycle: Efimov Effect

- Universal spectrum of three-body states
(Efimov, 1970)

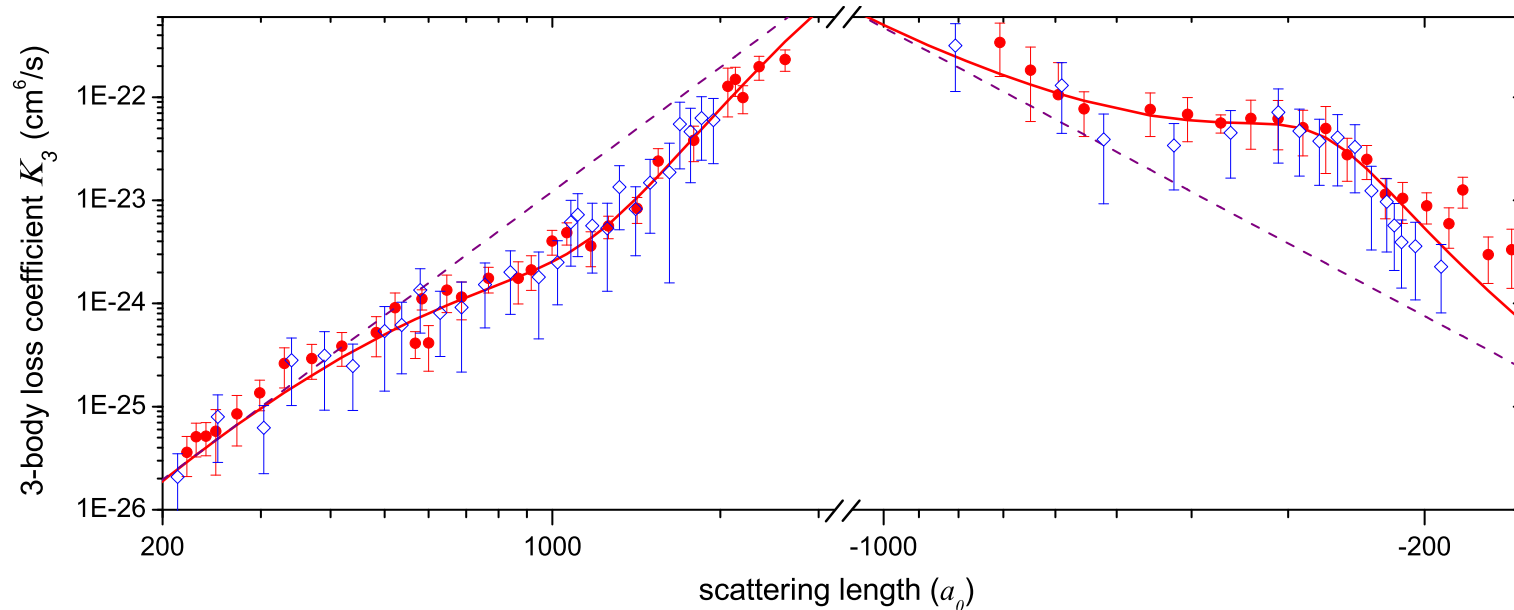


- Discrete scale invariance for fixed angle ξ
- Geometrical spectrum for $1/a \rightarrow 0$

$$B_3^{(n)} / B_3^{(n+1)} \xrightarrow{1/a \rightarrow 0} \left(e^{\pi/s_0} \right)^2 = 515.035\dots$$

- Ultracold atoms \implies variable scattering length \implies loss resonances

- First experimental evidence in ^{133}Cs (Kraemer et al. (Innsbruck), 2006)
now also ^6Li , ^7Li , ^{39}K , $^{41}\text{K}/^{87}\text{Rb}$
- Example: Efimov spectrum in ^7Li ($|m_F = 0\rangle, |m_F = 1\rangle$)
(Gross et al. (Bar-Ilan Univ.), Phys. Rev. Lett. **105** (2010) 103203)



- Data described by universal theory (Braaten, HWH, 2000, ..., 2006)

- **No four-body parameter at LO** (Platter, HWH, Meißner, 2004)
⇒ Universality extends to four-body system

- **Universal tetramers** ($1/a = 0$)

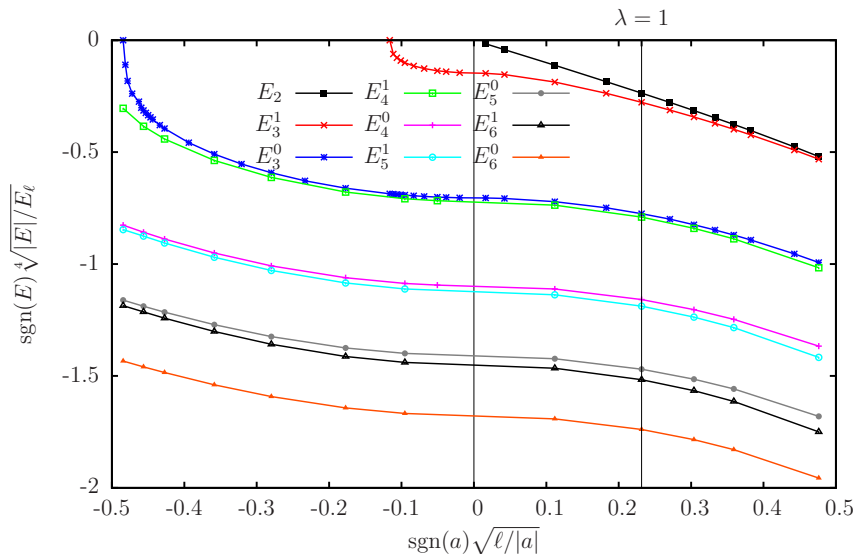
$$B_4^{(0)} = 4.610(1) B_3 \quad \Gamma_4^{(0)}/2 = 0.01483(1) B_3$$

$$B_4^{(1)} = 1.00227(1) B_3 \quad \Gamma_4^{(1)}/2 = 2.38(1) \times 10^{-4} B_3$$

(Platter, HWH, 2007; von Stecher et al., 2009; Deltuva 2010-2013)

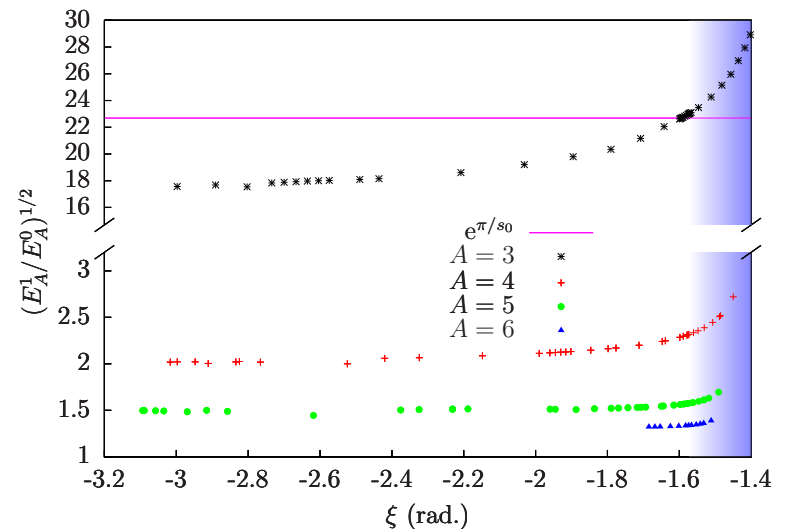
- **Two tetramers attached to each trimer**
- **Some calculations find a very shallow third state: physical?**
(Hadizadeh et al., 2011-12; Avila, Birse, 2013)
- **Universal states up to $N = 6$ calculated**
(von Stecher, 2010, 2011; Gattobigio, Kievsky, Viviani, 2011, 2012)
- **Observation up to $N = 5$ in Cs losses** (Grimm et al. (Innsbruck), 2009, 2012)

- Universal states up to $N = 6$ calculated
(von Stecher, 2010, 2011; Gattobigio, Kievsky, Viviani, 2011, 2012)
- Two $(N + 1)$ -body states attached to each N -body state
- Hyperspherical harmonics calculation with soft Gaussian interaction

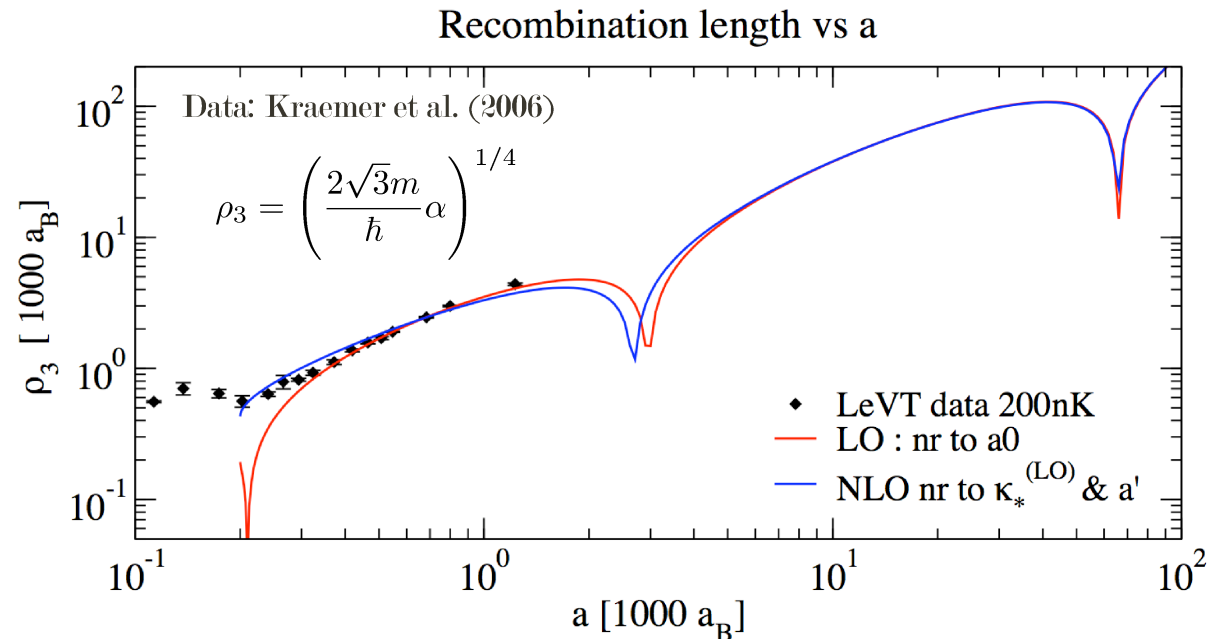


(Gattobigio, Kievsky, Viviani, Phys. Rev. A **86** (2012) 042513)

- Test of discrete scale invariance for $N \geq 3$



- Finite range corrections shift recombination features



(Ji, Phillips, Platter, private communication)

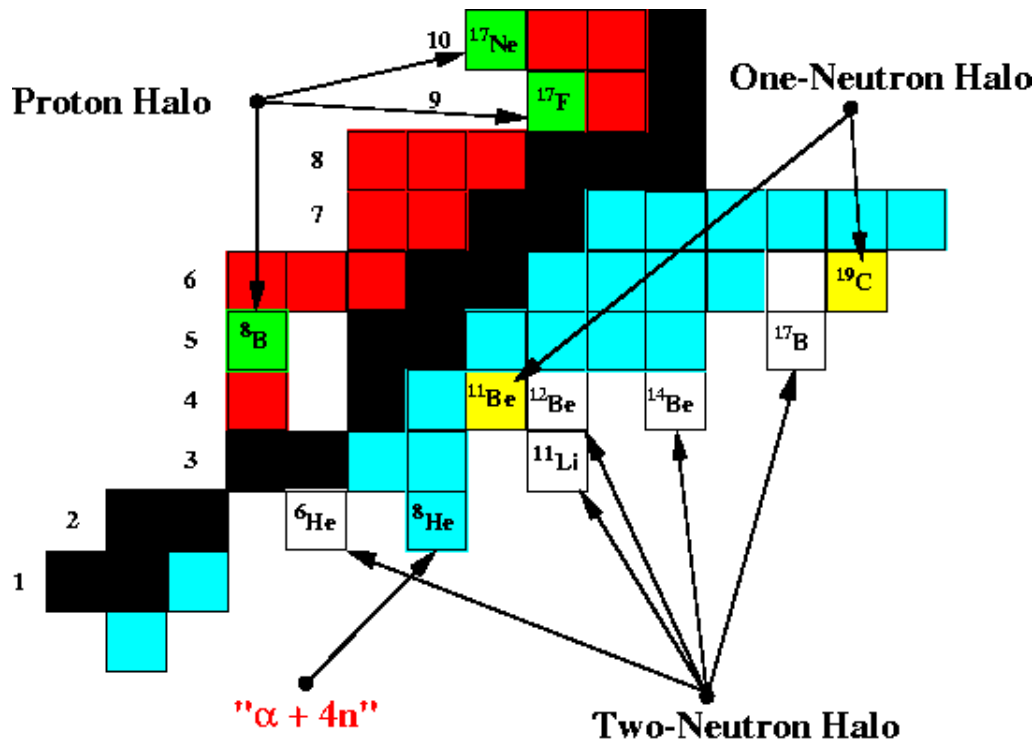
- Perturbative analysis in r_e : $H_1 = H_1(a)$

$$t_1 \sim r\Lambda + \frac{r}{a} \ln \Lambda \quad \Longrightarrow \quad H_1 = H_{1,0} + \frac{r}{a} H_{1,1}$$

(Ji, Phillips, Platter, 2009, 2012)

- **Application to experiment:** ${}^7\text{Li}$ (Khaykovich group, 2010, 2012)
Minima and maxima at: $a_0 = 1160 a_B$; $a_- = -264 a_B$
 - **NLO prediction** using B -dependent r : $a_* = (210 \pm 44) a_B$
(Ji, Phillips, Platter, Ann. Phys. **327** (2012) 1803)
 - **Experiment:** $a_* = (196 \pm 4) a_B$
(Machtey et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **108** (2012) 210406)
- **Momentum-dependent three-body parameter enters at N2LO**
(Bedaque, Rupak, Grieshammer, HWH, 2003; Ji, Phillips, 2013)
- **Effective range from four-body recombination peak positions**
(Hadizadeh, Yamashita, Tomio, Delfino, Frederico, Phys. Rev. A **87** (2013) 013620)
- **Finite range and finite temperature effects in three-body recombination** (Sørensen, Fedorov, Jensen, Zinner, J. Phys. B **46** (2013) 075301, arXiv:1307.2854)

- Low separation energy of valence nucleons: $B_{valence} \ll B_{core}, E_{ex}$
 → close to “nucleon drip line” → **scale separation** → EFT

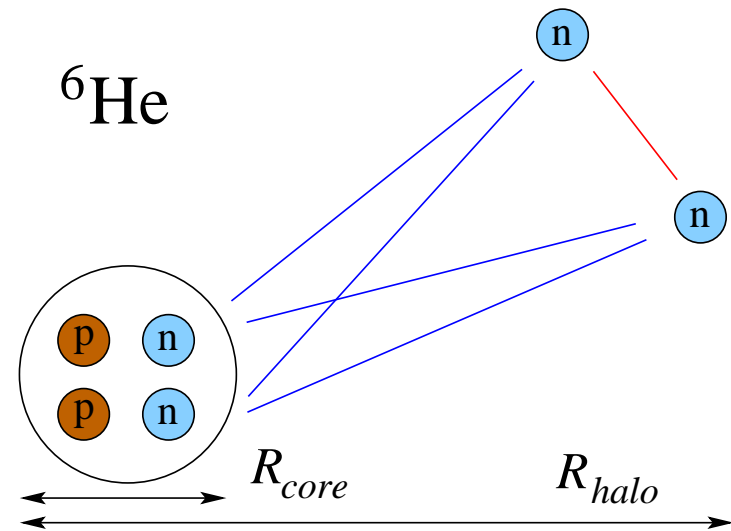


<http://www.nupec.org>

- EFT for halo nuclei

(Bertulani, HWH, van Kolck, 2002; Bedaque, HWH, van Kolck, 2003; ...)

- Scales: $R_{halo} \gg R_{core} \sim \ell$
- Antisymmetrization with respect to neutrons in core?
- Core neutrons not active dof in halo EFT



- Physics: exchange of core nucleon and halo nucleon only contributes to observables if there is spatial overlap between wave functions of core and halo nucleon

\implies small for $R_{core} \ll R_{halo}$

- Effects subsumed in low-energy constants, included perturbatively in expansion in R_{core}/R_{halo}

- Properties of ^{11}Be

- Ground state: $J^P = 1/2^+$, neutron separation energy: 504 keV
- Excited state: $J^P = 1/2^-$, neutron separation energy: 184 keV

- Properties of ^{10}Be

- Ground state: $J^P = 0^+$
- First excitation: 3.4 MeV above g.s.

- Separation of scales: $E_{lo}/E_{hi} \approx \frac{0.5}{3.5} = \frac{1}{7} \Rightarrow R_{core}/R_{halo} \approx 0.4$

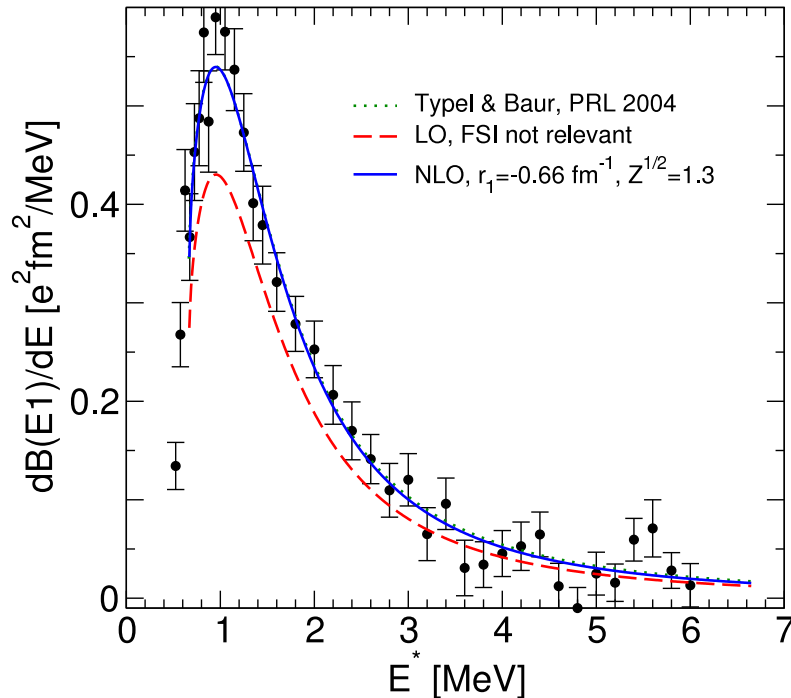
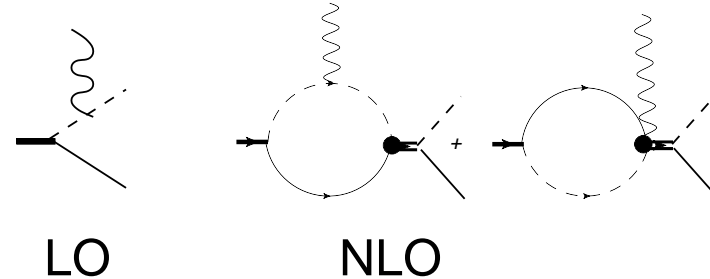
⇒ one neutron halo picture for ^{11}Be appropriate

- Effective range theory (Typel, Baur, 2004, 2005, 2008)

- EFT \implies straightforward coupling to external currents

- Study EM properties in halo EFT picture (HWH, Phillips, NPA **865** (2011) 17)

- Transition to the continuum:



- Reasonable convergence
- At LO: impulse approximation
- At NLO: FSI from excited state

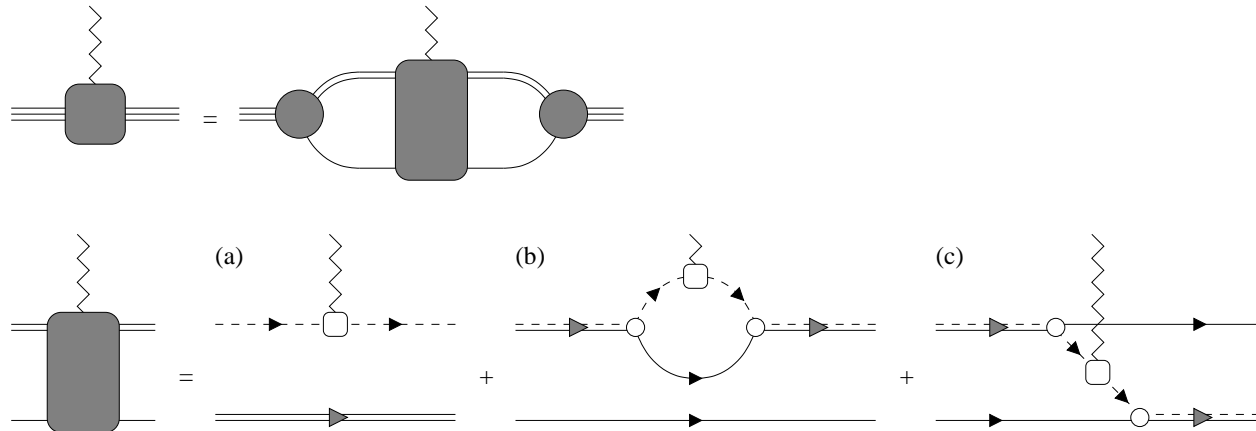
$$r_1 = -0.66 \text{ fm}^{-1} \quad [B(E1)]$$

$$\sqrt{Z_\sigma} = 1.3 \quad \Rightarrow \quad r_0 = 2.7 \text{ fm}$$
- Detector resolution folded in

Data: Palit et al., PRC **68** (2003) 034318

- Radiative neutron capture on ${}^7\text{Li}$
(Rupak, Higa, Phys. Rev. Lett. **106** (2011) 222501)

- Charge form factor of $2n$ halo nuclei
(Hagen, HWH, Platter, arXiv:1304:6516, to appear in EPJA)

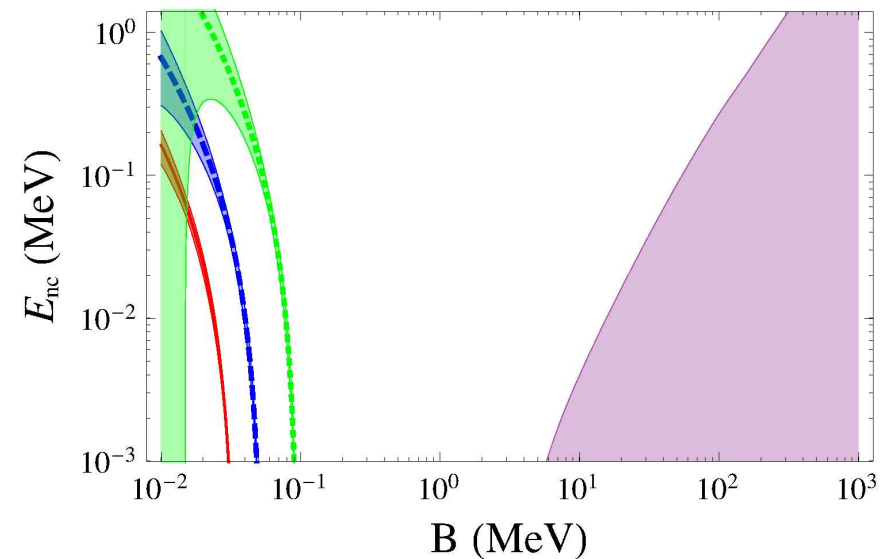
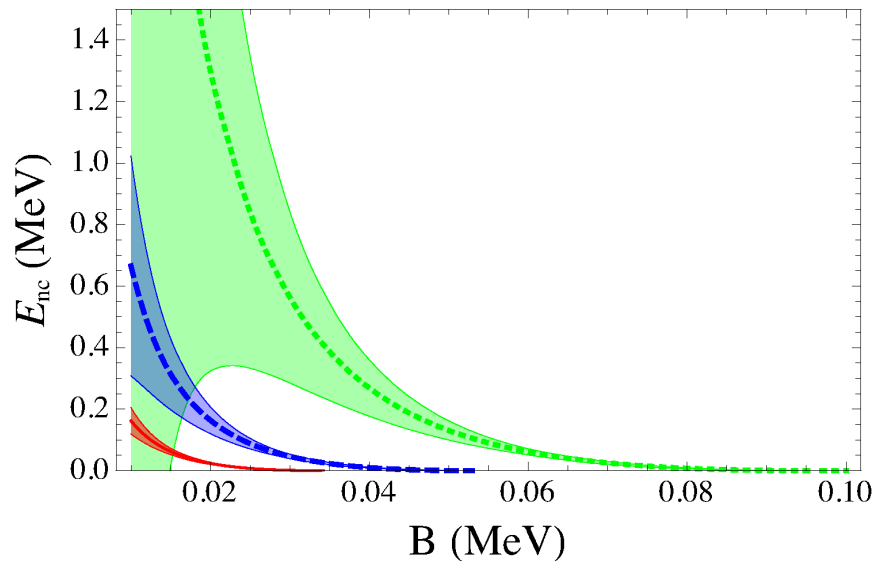


- Proton halo nuclei: S-factor for ${}^{16}\text{O}(p, \gamma){}^{17}\text{F}^*$
(Ryberg, Forssén, HWH, Platter, arXiv:1308.5975)

- Coulomb dissociation of ${}^{19}\text{C}$
(Acharya, Phillips, Nucl. Phys. A **913** (2013) 103)

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- Matter radius from $^{22}\text{C} + p$ & Glauber: $\langle r_0^2 \rangle^{1/2} = 5.4(9)$ fm
(Tanaka et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **104** (2010) 062701)
- Halo EFT analysis of impact on other observables in ^{22}C
(Acharya, Ji, Phillips, Phys. Lett. B **723** (2013) 196)



Plots for $\langle r_0^2 \rangle^{1/2} = 4.5, 5.4, 6.3$ fm

- Excited Efimov states in ^{22}C appear to be ruled out

(G. Hagen, P. Hagen, HWH, Platter, arXiv:1306.3661, to appear in PRL)

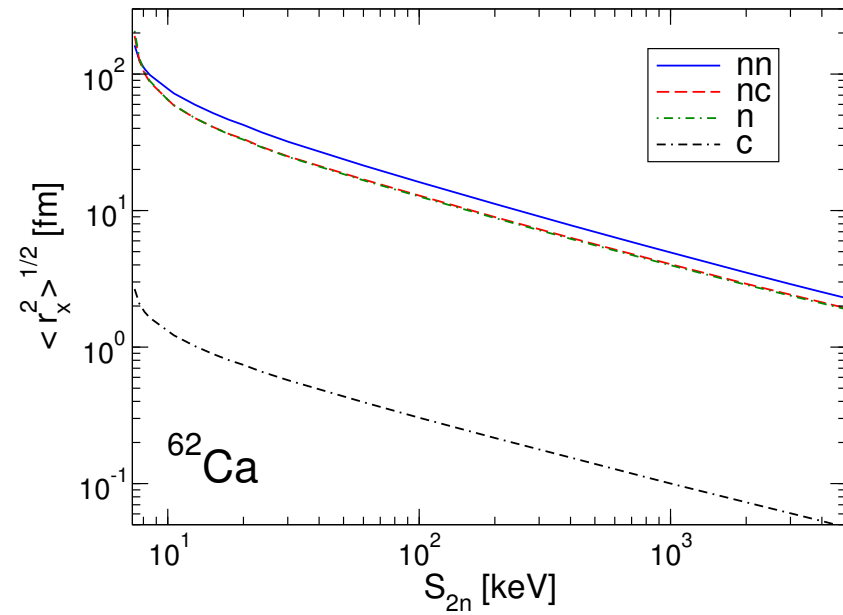
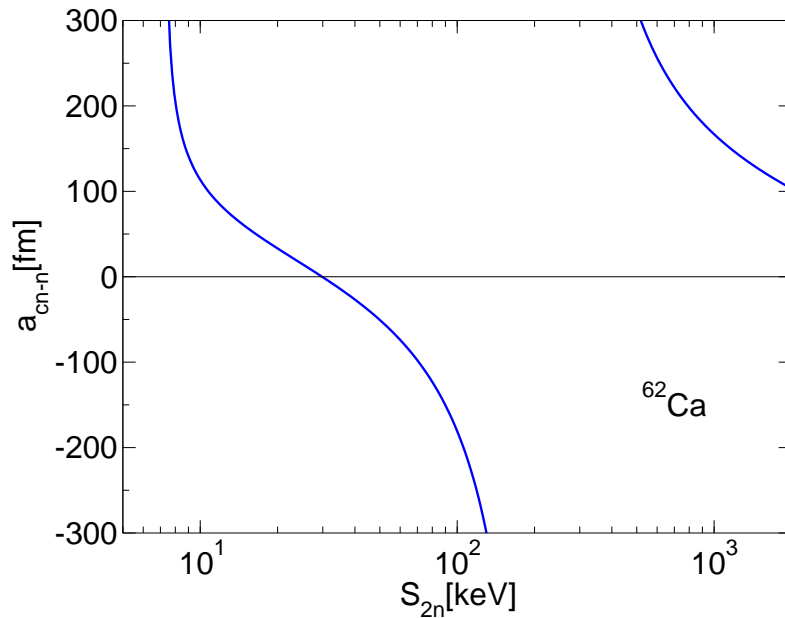
- The Many and the Few: emergence of effective halo degrees of freedom
- Coupled cluster calculations of ^{60}Ca and ^{61}Ca using chiral N2LO two-body force and schematic three-body force:

^{61}Ca is a weakly bound S-wave state (or virtual state)

- Quantitative estimate: $S_n = B_{nc} = 5\dots 8$ keV
- Scattering Parameters:
$$a_{cn} = 54(1) \text{ fm}, r_{cn} = 9.0(2) \text{ fm} \implies r_{cn}/a_{cn} \approx 1/6$$
- Investigate consequences for ^{62}Ca using halo EFT
- Prospects for excited Efimov states in ^{62}Ca :
$$S_{\text{deep}} = 1/(\mu_{cn} r_{cn}^2) \approx 500 \text{ keV}, \text{ scaling factor } \lambda_0 \approx 16$$

$$\implies \text{possible if } S_{2n} \gtrsim 230 \text{ keV}$$

- Universal correlations between S_{2n} , $^{61}\text{Ca}-n$ scattering length, ^{62}Ca matter, and charge radii



(G. Hagen, P. Hagen, HWH, Platter, arXiv:1306.3661, to appear in PRL)

- Excited Efimov state appears around $S_{2n} \approx 230$ keV
- Matter radii of order tens of Fermi possible

- Finite volume dependence required for ab initio lattice calculations (cubic box $\sim L^3$) (cf. Epelbaum et al., PRL **106** (2011) 192501)
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- Mass shift from overlap of copies from periodic boundary cond.

$$\Delta E_B = \sum_{|\mathbf{n}|=1} \int d^3\mathbf{r} \psi_B^*(\mathbf{r}) V(\mathbf{r}) \psi_B(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{n}L) + \mathcal{O}(e^{-\sqrt{2}\kappa L})$$

- S-wave bound states (Lüscher, 1986)

$$\Delta E_B = E_B(\infty) - E_B(L) = -3|\gamma|^2 \frac{e^{-\kappa L}}{\mu L} + \mathcal{O}(e^{-\sqrt{2}\kappa L})$$

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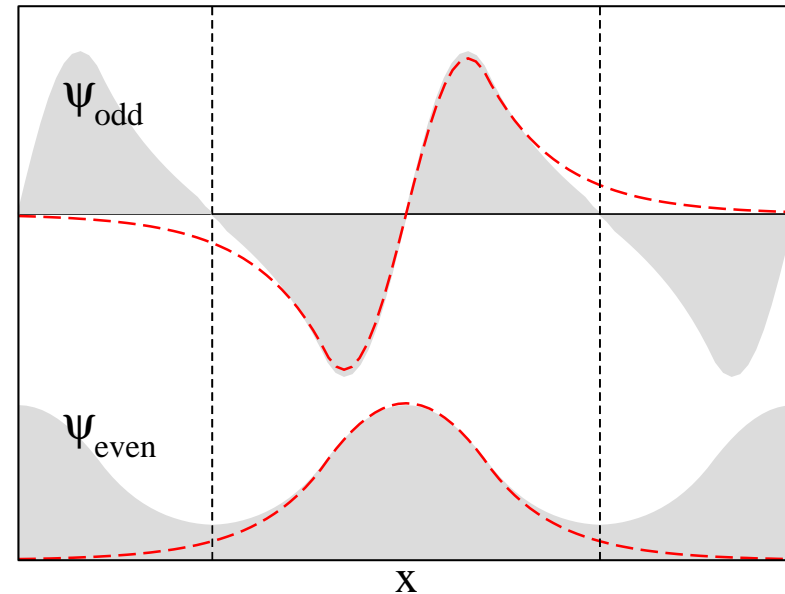
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- Generalization to higher ℓ , e.g. P-waves (König, Lee, HWH, PRL **107** (2011) 112001)

$$\Delta E_B^{(1,0)} = \Delta E_B^{(1,\pm 1)} = +3|\gamma|^2 \frac{e^{-\kappa L}}{\mu L} + \mathcal{O}(e^{-\sqrt{2}\kappa L})$$

- Different sign for even and odd partial waves

⇒ can be understood
from curvature
of wave function
at the boundary



- m -dependence for D- and higher waves, but

$$\sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} \Delta E_B^{(\ell,m)} = (-1)^{\ell+1} (2\ell + 1) \cdot 3|\gamma|^2 \frac{e^{-\kappa L}}{\mu L} + \mathcal{O}(e^{-\sqrt{2}\kappa L})$$

Topological Phase Corrections

- Topological phase for scattering of bound states
- Factorize center-of-mass motion

$$\psi_L(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2) = e^{i2\pi\alpha\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}_1/L} e^{i2\pi(1-\alpha)\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}_2/L} \phi_L(\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2), \quad \alpha = m_1/(m_1 + m_2)$$

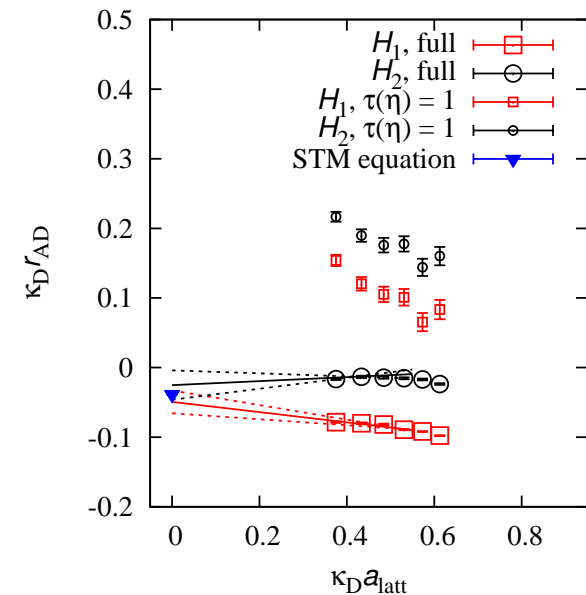
- Periodicity of ψ_L induces topological phase for winding of ϕ_L around cube

$$\phi_L(\vec{r} + \vec{n}L) = e^{-i2\pi\alpha\vec{k}\cdot\vec{n}} \phi_L(\vec{r})$$

- Energy correction:

$$\frac{\Delta E_{\vec{k}}(L)}{\Delta E_{\vec{0}}(L)} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{l=1,2,3} \cos(2\pi\alpha k_l)$$

Bour, König, Lee, HWH, Meißner,
Phys. Rev. D **84** (2012) 091503



- Fermion-dimer scattering (spin-1/2 fermions)

- Lattice calculation:

$$\kappa a_{fd} = 1.174(9), \quad \kappa r_{fd} = -0.029(13)$$

- Continuum EFT: (cf. Simenog et al. (1984))

$$\kappa a_{fd} = 1.17907(1), \quad \kappa r_{fd} = -0.0383(3)$$

Bour, HWH, Lee, Meißner, Phys. Rev. C **86** (2012) 034003

- Small, negative effective range
- Result also applies to quartet neutron-deuteron scattering
- Future extension: 4-body scattering calculations, ...

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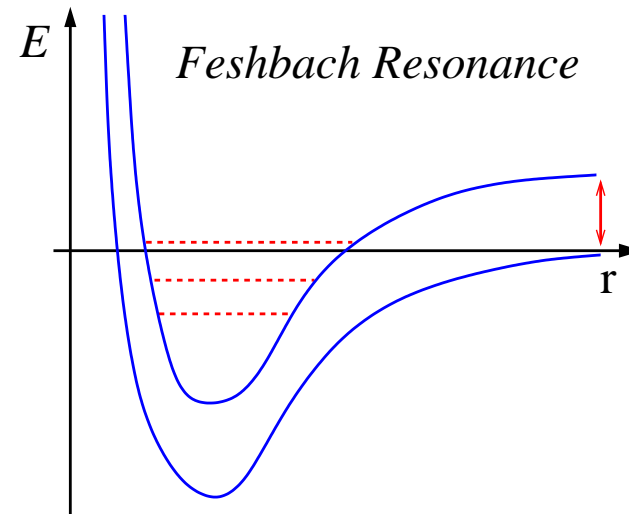
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- Future directions: exploring the unitary limit/DSI at different scales
 - Finite volume effects in lattice simulations
 - Hadronic molecules: b -quark sector, three-body molecules?, ...
 - Halo nuclei: drip line systems, external currents, reactions, ...
 - Cold atoms: dipolar interactions, confined geometries, heteronuclear systems, 2d-systems, P-waves, ...

Additional Slides



Variable Scattering Length

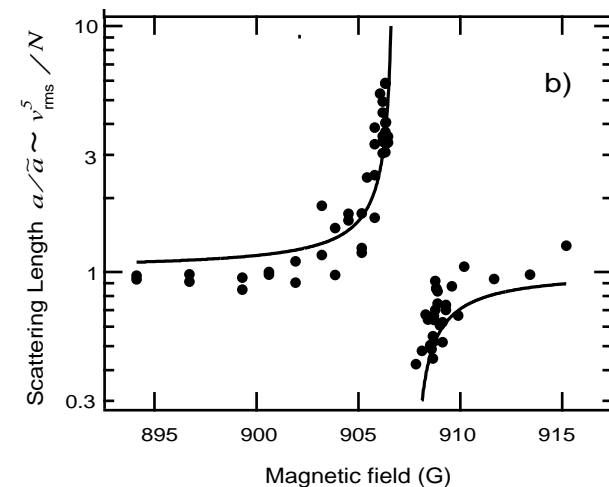
- **Feshbach Resonance:**
energy of molecular state in closed channel close to energy of scattering state



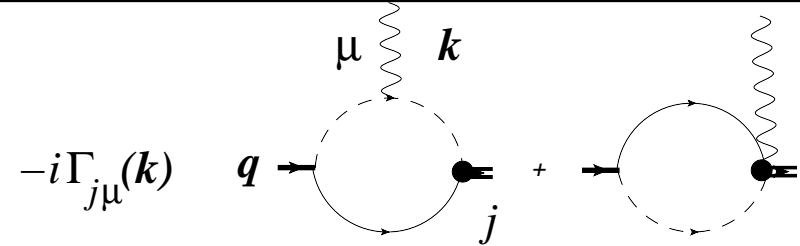
- **Tune scattering length via external magnetic field**
(Tiesinga, Verhaar, Stoof, 1993)

- **Observation in a Na BEC**
(Inouye et al. (MIT), 1998)

$$\frac{a(B)}{a_0} = 1 + \frac{\Delta}{B_0 - B}$$



- Irreducible transition vertex



$$\Gamma_{ji} = \delta_{ji}\Gamma_E + (k_j q_i + \cancel{q_j k_i})\Gamma_M \quad \text{for} \quad \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{q} = 0, \quad \mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon} = 0$$

- Current conservation: $k_\mu \Gamma_{j\mu} = 0 \implies \omega \Gamma_{j0} = k_j \Gamma_E$
- $B(E1)$ transition strength:

$$B(E1) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \left(\frac{\Gamma_E}{\omega} \right)^2 = \frac{Z_{eff}^2 e^2}{3\pi} \frac{\gamma_0}{-r_1} \left[\frac{2\gamma_1 + \gamma_0}{(\gamma_0 + \gamma_1)^2} \right]^2 + \dots$$

- No cutoff required: divergences cancel!
- Experiment: $B(E1) = 0.105 \dots 0.116 e^2 \text{ fm}^2$
(Summers et al., PLB **650** (2007) 124; Millener et al., PRC **28** (1983) 497)
- Strategy: determine $r_1 = -0.66 \text{ fm}^{-1}$ at LO

- EFT gives correlations between different observables
- Example: $B(E1)$ for S-to-P transition and radius of P-wave state

$$B(E1) = \frac{2e^2 Q_c^2}{15\pi} \left(\langle r_c^2 \rangle_{^{11}\text{Be}^*} - \langle r_c^2 \rangle_{^{10}\text{Be}} \right) x \left[\frac{1 + 2x}{(1 + x)^2} \right]^2 + \dots,$$

where $x = \sqrt{B_1/B_0}$

- Adapt strategy to experimental situation
- P-wave radius relative to ^{10}Be core from $B(E1)$

$$\langle r_c^2 \rangle_{^{11}\text{Be}^*} - \langle r_c^2 \rangle_{^{10}\text{Be}} = 0.35 \dots 0.39 \text{ fm}^2$$

Universality: can be applied to any one-neutron halo nucleus with shallow S- and/or P-Wave State