

FIXED POINTS OF THE SIMILARITY RENORMALIZATION GROUP AND THE NUCLEAR MANY BODY PROBLEM

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Introduction

- How much do we need to know light nuclei to predict heavy nuclei ?
- Nucleon size $a \sim 1\text{fm}$
- Nuclear Force $\sim 1/m_\pi = 1.4\text{fm}$
- Nuclear matter (interparticle distance)

$$\rho_{nm} = 0.17\text{fm}^{-3} = \frac{1}{(1.8\text{fm})^3}$$

- Fermi Momentum

$$k_F = 270\text{MeV} \quad \lambda_F = \pi/k_F = 2.3\text{fm} \gg 1/\sqrt{m_\pi M_N} = 0.5\text{fm}$$

- 1 Can we ignore explicit core and explicit (and/or chiral) pions ? \rightarrow R. Navarro Pérez
- 2 What are the errors in the interaction \rightarrow J. E. Amaro

- Nuclear many body Hamiltonian H

$$H = \sum_i T_i + \sum_{i<j} V_{2,ij} + \sum_{i<j<k} V_{3,ijk} + \sum_{i<j<k<l} V_{4,ijkl} + \dots$$

- NN: $V_{2,ij}$ (deuteron+NN scattering data)
- 3N: Triton+ N-deuteron scattering
- 4N: α -particle, dd , tp etc, scattering
- Chiral hierarchy of few body multipionic forces (Weinberg)
- Typical Range of multinucleon forces $e^{-m_\pi d} \sim 0.2$

$$V_{NN} \sim e^{-m_\pi d} \quad V_{NNN} \sim e^{-2m_\pi d} \quad V_{NNNN} \sim e^{-3m_\pi d}$$

- Typical NN wavelengths $\geq 1/\sqrt{m_\pi M_N} \sim 0.5\text{fm}$

→ Few wavelengths within a range
(Coarse grained Effective interactions)

The off-shell problem

- Two-body NN Interactions are not uniquely determined by perfect scattering data, or spectrum.
- How large is the ambiguity ?
- Polyzhou-Glöckle (Few Body System 1990)
 - 1 “Different off-shell extensions of two-body forces can be equivalently realized as three-body interactions”
 - 2 “There are no experiments measuring only three-body binding energies and phase shifts that can determine if there are no three-body forces in a three-body system.”
 - 3 “There may be some systems for which it is possible to find a representation in which three-body forces are not needed.”
- Linear correlation (Tjon line) between triton and α particle binding energy keeping two body scattering fixed

$$B_{\alpha} = aB_t + b$$

Isospectral flow in SRG

- Wilson-Glazek generator is unitary

$$\frac{dV_s}{ds} = [[T, H_s], H_s] = [[T, V_s], T + V_s] \rightarrow \text{Tr} H_s^n = \text{Tr} H_0^n$$

- Convergence in Frobenius norm and metric (potentials can be compared)

$$\|V\|^2 \equiv \text{Tr} V^2 \quad d(A, B) \equiv \|A - B\|$$

- Monotonous decrease

$$\frac{d}{ds} \text{Tr} V_s^2 = 2\text{Tr}[T, V_s]^2 = -2\text{Tr}[T, V_s]^\dagger [T, V_s] \leq 0$$

$$s_0 < s \quad 0 < \text{Tr} V_s^2 \leq \text{Tr} V_{s_0}^2$$

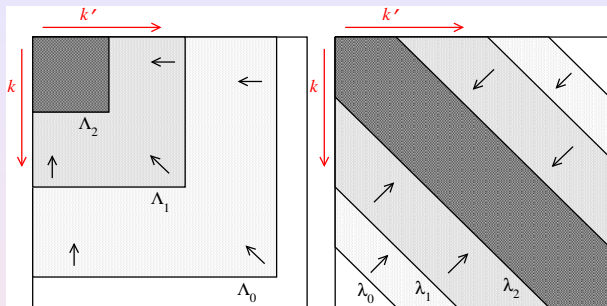
- Limiting Potential is the **smallest** possible with the **same** spectrum

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \text{Tr} V_s^2 = \min_V \text{Tr} V^2 \Big|_{T+V=UH_0U^\dagger}$$

- High energy states are **enhanced** by Frobenius norm

$$1 = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty p^2 dp |p\rangle \langle p| \rightarrow \text{Tr} V^2 = \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^2 \int_0^\infty p^2 dp \int_0^\infty k^2 dk |V(p, k)|^2$$

Integrating out vs Similarity Renormalization Group



- $V_{\text{lowk}} \rightarrow$ Scattering reproduced until the cut-off.

$$\delta_{\text{lowk}}(k, \Lambda) = \delta(k)\theta(\Lambda - k)$$

- V_{SRG} Scattering reproduced at ALL eneries.

$$\delta_{\text{SRG}}(k, \lambda) = \delta(k)$$

Operator space

- In NN system most states are continuum states (except deuteron)
- Equations need **discretization** and **cut-off** in momentum space

$$p_n \quad (n = 1, \dots, N) \rightarrow \Delta p_n \equiv w_n \rightarrow p_{\max} = \Lambda$$

- Closure relation

$$1 = \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^N w_n p_n^2 |\rho_n\rangle \langle \rho_n|$$

- Standard matrix multiplication

$$\bar{A}_{nm} = \frac{2}{\pi} p_n \sqrt{w_n} A_{nm} p_m \sqrt{w_m} \rightarrow \langle A, B \rangle = \sum_{n,m=1}^N \bar{A}_{nk}^* \bar{B}_{km}$$

- SRG equations

$$\frac{d\bar{V}_{nm}}{ds} = -(e_n - e_m)^2 \bar{V}_{nm} + \sum_k (e_n + e_m - 2e_k) \bar{V}_{nk} \bar{V}_{km}$$

Fixed points and stability analysis

- Fixed points (Wilson)

$$\frac{d}{ds} \sum_{nm} |V_{nm}|^2 = - \sum_{nm} |V_{nm}|^2 (\epsilon_n - \epsilon_m)^2 = 0 \rightarrow V_{nk} = V_n \delta_{nk}$$

- Energy eigenvalues

$$H\psi_n = E_n\psi_n \equiv (\epsilon_n + V_n)\psi_n$$

- Perturbation around the equilibrium point

$$V_{nk} = V_n \delta_{nk} + \Delta_{nk} \rightarrow \Delta V'_{nk} = -\Delta V_{nk} (\epsilon_n - \epsilon_m) (E_n - E_m)$$

- Only ordered as free ones are asymptotically stable (crossing forbidden)

$$H_{nm}(s) = E_n \delta_{n,m} + C_{nm} e^{-(\epsilon_n - \epsilon_m)(E_n - E_m)s} + \dots$$

- LS equation on the grid

$$R_{ij} = V_{ij} + \sum_{k \neq i} \frac{2}{\pi} w_k \rho_k^2 \frac{R_{ik} V_{kl}}{\rho_i^2 - \rho_k^2}$$

- Phase shifts

$$R_{nn} = -\frac{\tan \delta_n^{\text{LS}}}{\rho_n} \equiv V_n$$

- Limiting potential has **no off-shellness**

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} V_{nm}(\lambda) = -\frac{\tan \delta_n^{\text{LS}}}{\rho_n} \delta_{nm}$$

- However, the LS phase shifts are **not** independent of λ in a **finite** grid

$$\delta(\rho_n, \lambda) \neq \delta(\rho_n, \lambda')$$

Wegner generator

- Evolution equation

$$\frac{dH}{ds} = [[H_D, H], H] \quad H_D = \text{diag} H$$

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$$\frac{d}{ds} \text{Tr}(H - H_D)^2 = 2\text{Tr}[H_D, H]^2 = -2\text{Tr}[H_D, H]^\dagger [H_D, H] \leq 0$$

so that $\|H - H_D\| \rightarrow 0$

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} H = H_D = \min_{H=UH_0U^\dagger} \|H - H_D\|$$

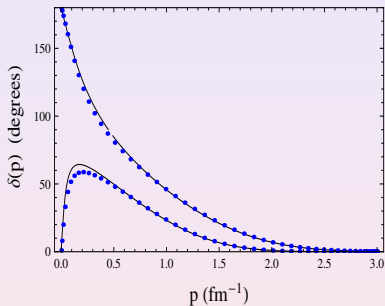
- Wilson generator and Wegner generators provide the same final fixed points up to permutations
- Wegner generator (all points are stable, crossing allowed)

$$H_{nm}(s) = E_n \delta_{n,m} + C_{nm} e^{-(E_n - E_m)^2 s} + \dots$$

Toy model for S-waves

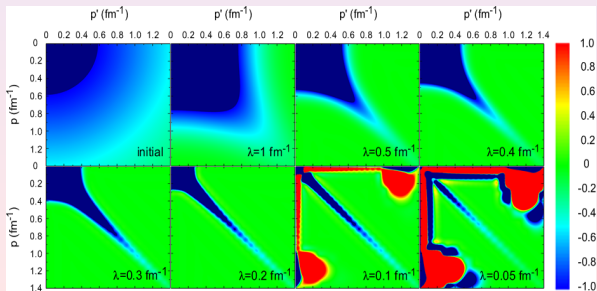
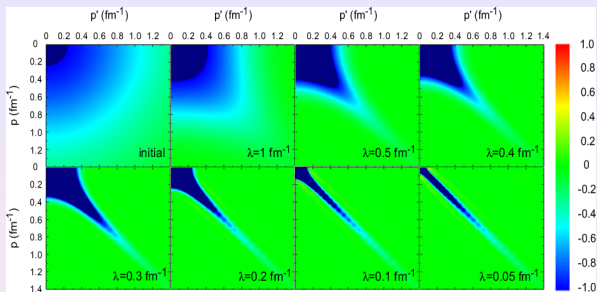
- Separable interaction

$$V_{\alpha}(p, p') = C_{\alpha} e^{-(p^2 + p'^2)/L_{\alpha}^2} \quad \alpha = {}^1S_0, {}^3S_1 \quad (1)$$

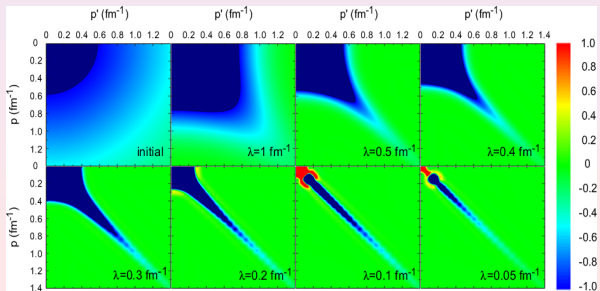
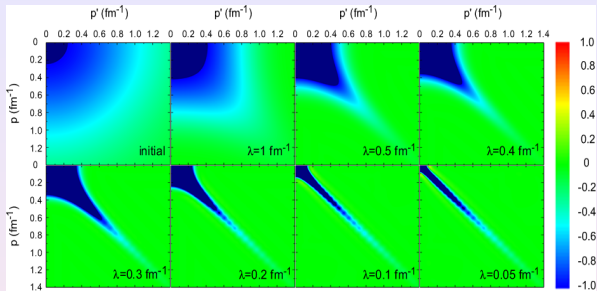


Parameter Units	α_0 (fm)	r_0 (fm)	C (fm)	L (fm^{-1})
1S_0	-23.74	2.77	-1.9158	0.6913
3S_1	5.42	1.75	-2.3006	0.4151

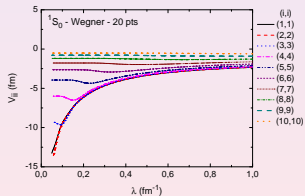
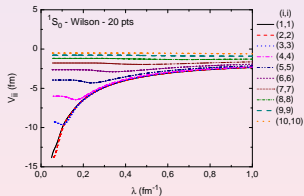
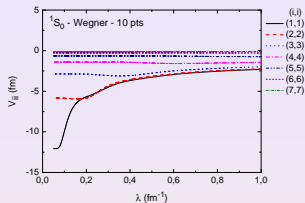
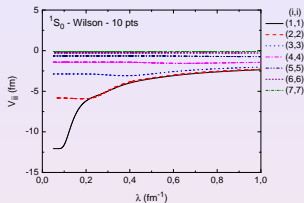
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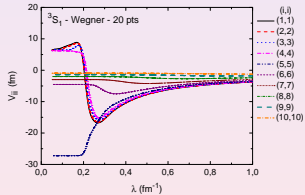
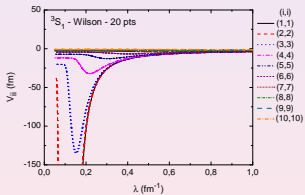
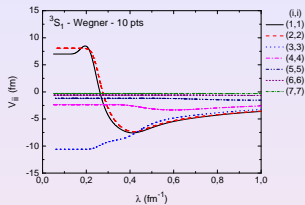
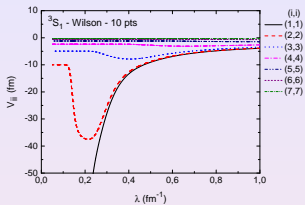


SRG evolution (Wegner generator)

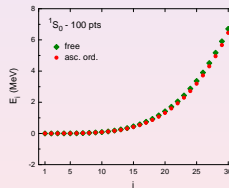
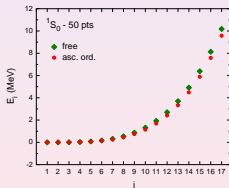
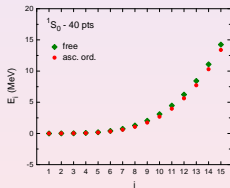
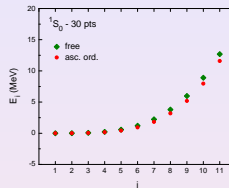
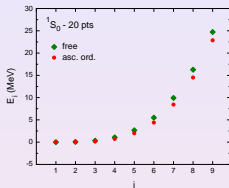
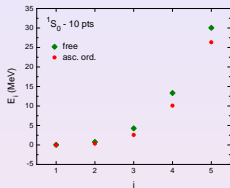


Diagonal Matrix Elements Evolution

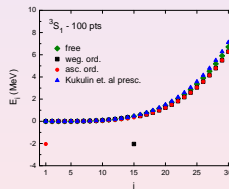
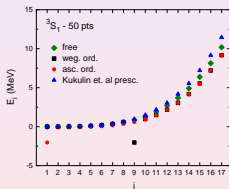
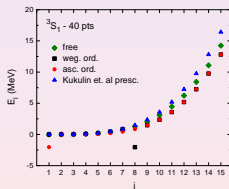
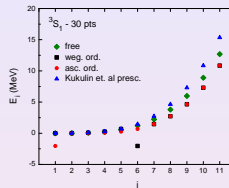
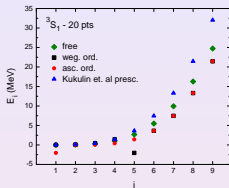
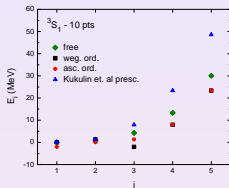




Eigenvalues ordering



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Binding Energies

- Mean field Slater Determinant

$$\psi(\vec{p}_1, \dots, \vec{p}_A) = \mathcal{A} \left[\phi_{n_1, l_1, s, m_{s1}, t, m_{t1}}(\vec{p}_1) \dots \phi_{n_A, l_A, s, m_{sA}, t, m_{tA}}(\vec{p}_A) \right]. \quad (2)$$

- Single particle states (Harmonic oscillator)

$$P_{nl}(p) = N_{nl} e^{-\frac{1}{2} b^2 p^2} (bp)^l L_{n-1}^{l+\frac{1}{2}}(b^2 p^2) \quad (3)$$

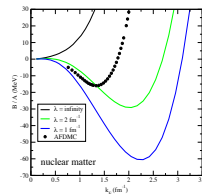
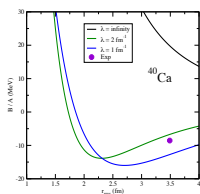
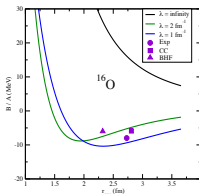
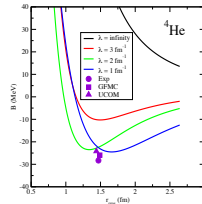
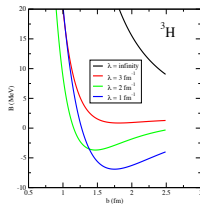
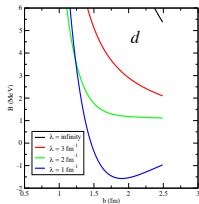
- Two body interaction (Talmi-Moshinsky)

$$\langle V_2 \rangle_A = \sum_{n'l's'} g_{n'l's'} \langle nl | V^{JST} | n'l's' \rangle, \quad (4)$$

- Nuclei: Shell model (mean field)

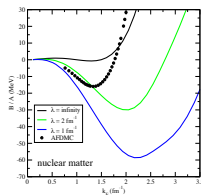
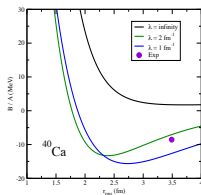
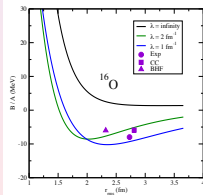
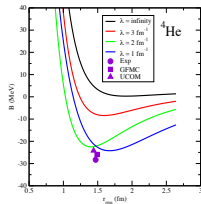
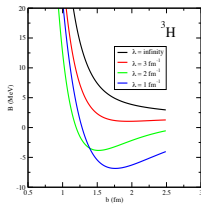
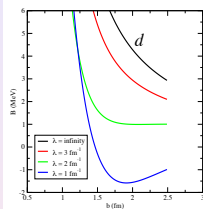
$$\begin{aligned} d : (1s)^2 \quad t : (1s)^3 \quad {}^4\text{He} : (1s)^4, \\ {}^{16}\text{O} : (1s)^4(1p)^{12} \quad {}^{40}\text{Ca} : (1s)^4(1p)^{12}(2s)^4(1d)^{20} \end{aligned}$$

Binding Energies - AV18



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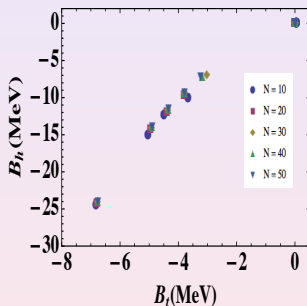
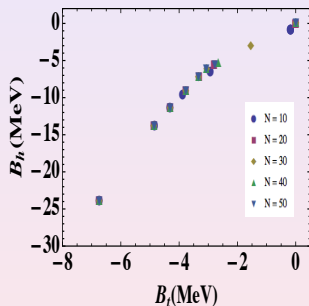
Binding Energies - N3LO



SRG Correlations

- The Wilson and Wegner binding energy results for SRG evolved forces

$$\{-B_t, -B_\alpha\} = \min_b \left[(A-1) \left\langle \frac{p^2}{2M} \right\rangle + \frac{A(A-1)}{2} \frac{1}{2} \langle V_{1S0,\lambda} + V_{3S1,\lambda} \rangle \right] \Big|_{A=3,4}$$



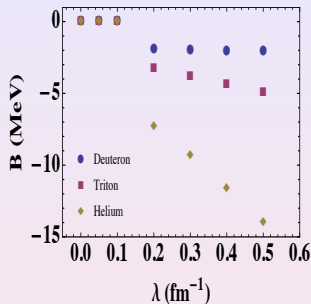
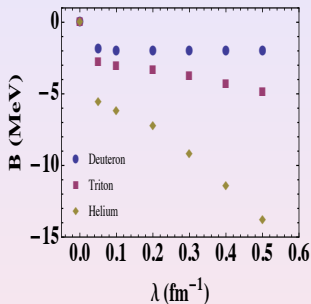
- Linear correlations in two regimes

$$\Delta B_\alpha / \Delta B_t \sim 2 (\lambda \rightarrow 0)$$

$$\Delta B_\alpha / \Delta B_t \sim 4 (\lambda \sim 1)$$

The on-shell limit

- Wilson and Wegner generator results (N=50)



- On-shell results

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} E_t(\lambda) = -\frac{3}{2}B_d \quad \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} E_\alpha(\lambda) = -3B_d$$

SRG view of off-shellness and three-body force

- Isospectral transformations

$$\frac{dV_{ij}}{ds} = [[T_{ij}, V_{ij}], T_{ij} + V_{ij}], \quad (5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dV_{123}}{ds} &= [[T_{12}, V_{12}], V_{13} + V_{23} + V_{123}] \\ &+ [[T_{13}, V_{13}], V_{12} + V_{23} + V_{123}] \\ &+ [[T_{23}, V_{23}], V_{12} + V_{13} + V_{123}] \\ &+ [[T_{\text{rel}}, V_{123}], H_s]. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

- What is the initial condition ?
- Final condition is unique

$$[T_{12}, V_{12}] = 0 \quad [T_{\text{rel}}, V_{123}] = 0 \quad (7)$$

- Diagonal potential in momentum space (no off-shellness)

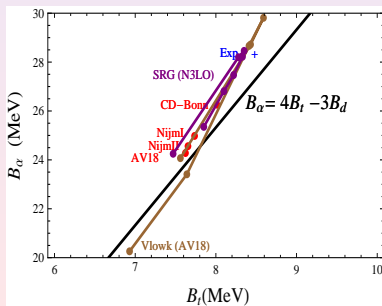
Correlations with on-shell 3-body forces

- The on-shell triton (3 doublets) and α (6 doublets) binding

$$-B_t = - \underbrace{\frac{3}{2}B_d}_{3.3\text{MeV}} + \underbrace{\langle t|V_3|t\rangle}_{\text{off-shellness}} \quad -B_\alpha = - \underbrace{3B_d}_{6.6\text{MeV}} + \underbrace{\langle \alpha|V_3|\alpha\rangle}_{\text{off-shellness}}$$

- Taking $\langle \alpha|V_3|\alpha\rangle = 4\langle t|V_3|t\rangle$ (4 triplets)

$$\begin{aligned} B_\alpha &= 4B_t - 3B_d \\ &= 4 \times 8.482 - 3 \times 2.225 = 27.53 \text{ (exp.28.296) MeV} \end{aligned}$$



Conclusions

- 1 SRG methods allow to reduce off-shell ambiguity **completely**
- 2 Only **measurable** two-body information is needed
- 3 **Simple** explanation of the observed linear correlations (Tjon line)
- 4 **On-shell** 3-body forces are **large** and 4-body forces are moderate
- 5 Extension to other nuclei, neutron and nuclear matter is possible