The In-Medium Similarity Renormalization Group: Applications and Perspectives



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Interactions from Chiral EFT





• organization in powers $(Q/\Lambda_{\chi})^{\nu}$ allows systematic improvement

- low-energy constants fit to NN, 3N data (future: from Lattice QCD (?))
- consistent NN, 3N, ... interactions & operators (electroweak transitions!)

The Similarity Renormalization Group

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Scales of the Strong Interaction



momentum transfer (resolution)

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Chiral



- quarks, gluons
- chiral symmetry
- pions, nucleons, ...
 - nuclear interactions
 - few-nucleon systems

(Which) Details necessary?

- finite nuclei
 - nuclear structure & reactions

Similarity Renormalization Group

Basic Idea

continuous unitary transformation of the Hamiltonian to banddiagonal form w.r.t. a given "uncorrelated" many-body basis

• flow equation for Hamiltonian $H(s) = U(s)HU^{\dagger}(s)$:

$$\frac{d}{ds}H(s) = \left[\eta(s), H(s)\right], \quad \eta(s) = \frac{dU(s)}{ds}U^{\dagger}(s) = -\eta^{\dagger}(s)$$

• choose $\eta(s)$ to achieve desired behavior, e.g.,

$$\eta(\mathbf{s}) = \left[\mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{d}}(\mathbf{s}), \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{od}}(\mathbf{s}) \right]$$

to suppress (suitably defined) off-diagonal Hamiltonian

• consistent evolution for all observables of interest

[figures by R. Roth, A. Calci, J. Langhammer]



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(Multi-Reference) In-Medium SRG

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Ground-State Decoupling



Single-Reference Case





- reference state: **Slater determinant**
- normal-ordered operators depend on occupation numbers (one-body density)

Multi-Reference Case





$$\begin{cases} P \\ s \\ \end{pmatrix} H \left| \Phi \right\rangle \sim \bar{n}_{p} n_{s} f_{s}^{p}, \sum_{kl} f_{l}^{k} \lambda_{pl}^{sk}, \sum_{klmn} \Gamma_{mn}^{kl} \lambda_{pmn}^{skl}, \dots \\ P_{st}^{q} \left| H \right| \Phi \right\rangle \sim \bar{n}_{p} \bar{n}_{q} n_{s} n_{t} \Gamma_{st}^{pq}, \sum_{kl} \Gamma_{sl}^{pk} \lambda_{ql}^{tk}, \sum_{kl} f_{l}^{k} \lambda_{pql}^{stk}, \sum_{klmn} \Gamma_{mn}^{kl} \lambda_{pqmn}^{stkl}, \dots \\ P_{st}^{qr} \left| H \right| \Phi \right\rangle \sim \dots$$

- reference state: arbitrary
- normal-ordered operators depend on up to irreducible nbody density matrices of the reference state

$$\rho_{mn}^{kl} = \lambda_{mn}^{kl} + \lambda_m^k \lambda_n^l - \lambda_n^k \lambda_m^l$$
$$\rho_{lmn}^{ijk} = \lambda_{lmn}^{ijk} + \lambda_l^i \lambda_{mn}^{jk} + \lambda_l^i \lambda_m^j \lambda_n^k + \text{permutations}$$

available

future



correlations

number-projected Hartree-Fock Bogoliubov vacua:

$$\left|\Phi_{ZN}\right\rangle = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int d\phi_p \int d\phi_n \, e^{i\phi_p(\hat{Z}-Z)} e^{i\phi_n(\hat{N}-N)} \left|\Phi\right\rangle$$

• small-scale (e.g., $0\hbar\Omega$, $2\hbar\Omega$) **No-Core Shell Model**:

$$\left|\Phi\right\rangle = \sum_{N=0}^{N_{\text{max}}} \sum_{i=1}^{\dim(N)} C_{i}^{(N)} \left|\Phi_{i}^{(N)}\right\rangle$$

• Generator Coordinate Method (w/projections):

$$\left|\Phi\right\rangle = \int dq f(q) P_{J=0M=0} P_Z P_N \left|q\right\rangle$$

 Density Matrix Renormalization Group. Complement States, ...
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Decoupling in A-Body Space



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aim: decouple reference state $|\Phi\rangle$ from excitations

Flow Equation





Decoupling





Decoupling





Ground-State Calculations

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Oxygen Isotopes



HH et al., PRL 110, 242501 (2013), ADC(3): A. Cipollone et al., PRL 111, 242501 (2013)



- Multi-Reference IM-SRG with number-projected Hartree-Fock-Bogoliubov reference state
- consistent results from different many-body methods

Calcium Isotopes





HH et al., PRC 90, 041302(R) (2014)

- differential observables (S_{2n}, spectra,...) filter out interaction components that cause overbinding
- predict flat trends for g.s.
 energies/S_{2n} beyond ⁵⁴Ca
 await experimental data
- ⁵²Ca, ⁵⁴Ca magic for these NN+3N interactions
- no continuum coupling yet, other S_{2n} uncertainties < 1MeV

Isotopic Chains Around Ca





- S_{2n} consistent with Gor'kov GF, (weak) shell closure predicted in ⁴⁶Ar (Somà et al., PRC 89, 061301(R), 2014)
- ^{48,49}Ar masses measured at NSCL, ⁴⁶Ar shell closure confirmed (Meisel et al., PRL 114, 022501, 2015)

The Mass Frontier: Tin





- systematics of overbinding similar to Ca (and Ni)
- not converged with respect to 3N matrix element truncation:

$$e_1 + e_2 + e_3 \leq E_{3\max}$$

(e_{1,2,3} : SHO energy quantum numbers)

• need technical improvements to go further

Oxygen Radii



V. Lapoux, V. Somà, C. Barbieri, H. H., J. D. Holt, and S. R. Stroberg, in preparation



Magnus Formulation of the In-Medium SRG

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• explicit exponential ansatz for unitary transformation:

$$U(\mathbf{s}) = \mathcal{S} \exp \int_0^{\mathbf{s}} d\mathbf{s}' \eta(\mathbf{s}') \equiv \exp \Omega(\mathbf{s})$$

• flow equation for Magnus operator :

$$\frac{d}{ds}\Omega = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{B_k}{k!} \operatorname{ad}_{\Omega}^k(\eta) , \quad \operatorname{ad}_{\Omega}(O) = [\Omega, O]$$

(B_k: Bernoulli numbers)

- construct $O(s) = U(s)O_0U^{\dagger}(s)$ using Baker-Campbell-Hausdorff expansion (Hamiltonian + effective operators)
- truncate operators to two-body level (as in NO2B, IM-SRG(2))

Magnus vs. Direct Integration





Approximate IM-SRG(3)/Magnus(3)



approximate restoration of induced 3N terms:

$$W(\infty) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} \operatorname{ad}_{\Omega}^{k} (H_{0})_{3B}$$
$$\approx \left[\Omega, \widetilde{H}(\infty)\right]_{3B}$$

where

$$\widetilde{H}(\infty) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k+1)!} \operatorname{ad}_{\Omega}^{k} (H_{0})_{2B}$$

energy correction (dressed ~ CR-CC(2,3)):



Stretched Water





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IM-SRG for Excited States

N. M. Parzuchowski, T. D. Morris, S. K. Bogner, in preparation



Excited State Decoupling





Can we decouple multiple states simultaneously? Maybe entire blocks?

Quantum Dots





Multi-state decoupling can generate sizable induced forces...

Sub-Block Decoupling





control induced forces by only decoupling a 1p-1h ("valence") sub-block



Equation-of-Motion Method



• describe "excited states" based on reference state:

$$\left| \Phi_{k} \right\rangle = Q_{k}^{\dagger} \left| \Phi_{0} \right\rangle$$

• **IM-SRG effective Hamiltonian** in EOM approach:

$$[H(\mathbf{s}), \mathbf{Q}_k^{\dagger}(\mathbf{s})] = \omega_k(\mathbf{s})\mathbf{Q}_k^{\dagger}(\mathbf{s}), \quad \omega_k(\mathbf{s}) = E_k(\mathbf{s}) - E_0(\mathbf{s})$$

 ansatz for excitation operator (g.s. correlations built into Hamiltonian):

$$Q_{k}^{\dagger}(s) = \sum_{ph} q_{h}^{p}(s) : A_{h}^{p}: + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{pp'hh'} q_{hh'}^{pp'}(s) : A_{hh'}^{pp'}:$$

- polynomial effort vs. factorial scaling of Shell Model
- future: exploit multi-reference capabilities (commutator formulation identical to flow equations)

Spectra of Closed-Shell Nuclei





Epilogue

Progress in Ab Initio Calculations



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- predictive theory: interaction, operators, many-body method with systematic uncertainties & convergence to exact result
- enormous progress in *ab initio* nuclear structure and reactions
- rapidly growing capabilities: g.s. energies, spectra, radii, transitions, etc. for increasingly heavy nuclei
- new generation of chiral Hamiltonians, greatly improved optimization - also more accurate (?)
 - NNLOsat, NNLOsim
 - EKM / LENPIC interactions
 - local NNLO

IM-SRG+ Shell Model: talk by J. D. Holt

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Supplements

NNLOsat(uration)





- A. Ekström et al., PRC 91, 051301(R) (2015)
- simultaneous optimization of NN and 3N interaction
- inputs:
 - phase shifts ($E_{lab} \leq 35$) MeV)
 - ³H, ³He, ⁴He g.s. energies & radii (s-shell)
 - ¹⁴C, ¹⁶O g.s. energies & radii (p-shell)
 - ^{22,24,25}O g.s. energies (sdshell)

NNLOsat





- accurate description of ⁸He, ^{40,48}Ca g.s. energies & radii, ^{40,48}Ca charge distributions
- predictions for electric dipole polarizability, neutron skin, weak form factor of ⁴⁸Ca

Optimization of Correlated LECs





- chiral LECs in NN, 3N, π N sectors are correlated
- sequential vs. simultaneous optimization, NNLO, NN+3N: $E(^{4}\text{He}) = 28^{+8}_{-18} \text{ MeV} \text{ vs. } E(^{4}\text{He}) = 28.26^{+4}_{-5} \text{ MeV}$

The Nuclear Many-Body Problem





Theory Ingredients





Interactions (& Operators) from Chiral EFT

- symmetries of low-energy QCD
- power counting

Similarity Renormalization Group

- systematically dial resolution scales (cutoffs) of theory
- trade-off: enhanced convergence & accuracy of many-body methods vs. omitted induced 4N, ..., AN forces

Ab Initio Many-Body Method

 systematically improvable towards exact solution

Uncertainty Quantification





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SRG in Two-Body Space





Induced Interactions



- SRG is a unitary transformation in A-body space
- up to A-body interactions are induced during the flow:

$$\frac{dH}{d\lambda} = \left[\left[\sum a^{\dagger}a, \sum \underbrace{a^{\dagger}a^{\dagger}aa}_{2\text{-body}} \right], \sum \underbrace{a^{\dagger}a^{\dagger}aa}_{2\text{-body}} \right] = \dots + \sum \underbrace{a^{\dagger}a^{\dagger}a^{\dagger}aaa}_{3\text{-body}} + \dots$$

- state-of-the-art: evolve in three-body space, truncate induced four- and higher many-body forces (Jurgenson, Furnstahl, Navratil, PRL 103, 082501; Hebeler, PRC 85, 021002; Wendt, PRC 87, 061001)
- λ-dependence of eigenvalues is a diagnostic for size of omitted induced interactions

Normal Ordering



- second quantization: $A_{I_1...I_N}^{k_1...k_N} = a_{k_1}^{\dagger} \dots a_{k_N}^{\dagger} a_{I_N} \dots a_{I_1}$
- particle- and hole density matrices:

$$\lambda_{l}^{k} = \left\langle \Phi \middle| A_{l}^{k} \middle| \Phi \right\rangle \longrightarrow n_{k} \delta_{l}^{k}, \quad n_{k} \in \{0, 1\}$$

$$\xi_{l}^{k} = \lambda_{l}^{k} - \delta_{l}^{k} \longrightarrow -\overline{n}_{k} \delta_{l}^{k} \equiv -(1 - n_{k}) \delta_{l}^{k}$$

• define normal-ordered operators recursively:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{l_{1}...l_{N}}^{k_{1}...k_{N}} &=: A_{l_{1}...l_{N}}^{k_{1}...k_{N}} :+ \lambda_{l_{1}}^{k_{1}} :A_{l_{2}...l_{N}}^{k_{2}...k_{N}} :+ \text{singles} \\ &+ \left(\lambda_{l_{1}}^{k_{1}}\lambda_{l_{2}}^{k_{2}} - \lambda_{l_{2}}^{k_{1}}\lambda_{l_{1}}^{k_{2}}\right) :A_{l_{3}...l_{N}}^{k_{3}...k_{N}} :+ \text{doubles} + \ldots \end{aligned}$$

• algebra is simplified significantly because

$$\langle \Phi | : A_{I_1...I_N}^{k_1...k_N} : | \Phi \rangle = 0$$

 Wick's theorem gives simplified expansions (fewer terms!) for products of normal-ordered operators

Normal-Ordered Hamiltonian



Normal-Ordered Hamiltonian

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two-body formalism with in-medium contributions from three-body interactions

In-Medium SRG Flow: Diagrams





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Choice of Generator



• Wegner:
$$\eta' = [H_d, H_{od}]$$

• White: (J. Chem. Phys. 117, 7472)

$$\eta'' = \sum_{ph} \frac{f_h^p}{\Delta_h^p} : A_h^p : +\frac{1}{4} \sum_{pp'hh'} \frac{\Gamma_{hh'}^{pp'}}{\Delta_{hh'}^{pp'}} : A_{hh'}^{pp'} : -\text{H.c.}$$

$$\Delta_h^p, \Delta_{hh'}^{pp'} : \text{approx. 1p1h, 2p2h excitation energies}$$

• "imaginary time": (Morris, Bogner)

$$\eta^{III} = \sum_{ph} \operatorname{sgn} \left(\Delta_h^p \right) f_h^p : A_h^p : + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{pp'hh'} \operatorname{sgn} \left(\Delta_{hh'}^{pp'} \right) \Gamma_{hh'}^{pp'} : A_{hh'}^{pp'} : - \text{H.c.}$$

- off-diagonal matrix elements are suppressed like $e^{-\Delta^2 s}$ (Wegner), e^{-s} (White), and $e^{-|\Delta|s}$ (imaginary time)
- g.s. energies (s $\rightarrow \infty$) differ by $\ll 1\%$



• consider unitary variations of the energy functional

$$\boldsymbol{E}(\boldsymbol{s}) = \left\langle \left. \boldsymbol{\Phi} \right| \boldsymbol{H}(\boldsymbol{s}) \left| \boldsymbol{\Phi} \right. \right\rangle$$

 define generator as the residual of the irreducible Brillouin condition (= gradient of E)

$$\eta_{r}^{p} \equiv \left\langle \Phi \right| \left[: A_{r}^{p} :, H \right] \left| \Phi \right\rangle$$
$$\eta_{rs}^{pq} \equiv \left\langle \Phi \right| \left[: A_{rs}^{pq} :, H \right] \left| \Phi \right\rangle$$

- fixed point ($\eta = 0$) is reached when IBC is satisfied, energy stationary (cf. ACSE approach in Quantum Chemistry)
- Brillouin generator depends linearly on λ_s^p , λ_{st}^{pq} , λ_{stu}^{pqr} , higher irreducible density matrices are not required

Brillouin Generator





energy & norm of Brillouin generator decay monotonically

Projected HFB: 3B density matrix is (quasi-)diagonal (O(N³) storage), can be fully included in generator and energy flow

Particle-Number Projected HFB



 HFB ground state is a superposition of states with different particle number:

$$\Psi \rangle = \sum_{A=N,N\pm2,...} c_A |\Psi_A \rangle, \quad |\Psi_N \rangle \equiv P_N |\Psi \rangle \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \, e^{i\phi(\hat{N}-N)} |\Psi \rangle$$

• calculate irreducible densities (project only once), e.g.,

$$\lambda_{I}^{k} = \frac{\left\langle \Psi \middle| A_{I}^{k} P_{N} \middle| \Psi \right\rangle}{\left\langle \Psi \middle| \Psi \right\rangle}, \quad \lambda_{mn}^{kl} = \frac{\left\langle \Psi \middle| A_{mn}^{kl} P_{N} \middle| \Psi \right\rangle}{\left\langle \Psi \middle| \Psi \right\rangle} - \lambda_{m}^{k} \lambda_{m}^{l} + \lambda_{n}^{k} \lambda_{m}^{l}$$

• work in natural orbitals (= HFB canonical basis):

$$\lambda_l^k = n_k \delta_l^k \left(= v_k^2 \delta_l^k \right) , \quad 0 \le n_k \le 1$$

• in NO basis, λ_{mn}^{kl} , λ_{nop}^{klm} require only N²/2, N³/4 storage