On Reaction Matrices and Effective Field Theories

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5 Matching to Nucleon-Nucleon Scattering Data $a_0^{nn} = -18.8 \,\mathrm{fm}$ $r_0^{nn} = 1.7 \,\mathrm{fm}$ $^{1}S_{0}$ nn – channel particularly large $a_0^{np}(I=1) = -23.7 \,\text{fm}$ $r_0^{np}(I=1) = 2.73 \,\text{fm}$ scattering lengths $^{1}S_{0}$ np-channel $a >> r_{NN} \sim 1 \,\mathrm{fm}$ (unnatural) $a_0^{nn}(I=0) = 5.74 \,\mathrm{fm}$ $r_0^{nn}(I=0) = 1.73 \,\mathrm{fm}$ np – channel ${}^{3}S_{1}$ existence of a *a* > 0 bound state (deuteron) $$\begin{split} & u_0(r) \sim e^{-ikr} - S_0(k) e^{ikr} \\ & S_0 \sim \frac{i}{-1/a + r_0 k^2 / 2 - ik} \end{split} \begin{tabular}{l}{l} \mbox{pole on imaginary axis (k)} \\ & -1/a - r_0 \kappa^2 / 2 - \kappa = 0 \end{split}$$ pole on imaginary axis ($k = i\kappa$) (deuteron) $E_{\rm B} = -2.23 \,{\rm MeV}$ $\kappa = 43 \,\mathrm{MeV};$

Coulomb Interaction

Bethe, 1949 Jackson, Blatt, 1950

$$F \sim C_{\eta} \left[1 - r/a_{B} + \cdots \right]$$

$$F \sim \left(1/C_{\eta} \right) \left[1/kr + 2\eta \left(h_{\eta} + 2\gamma - 1 + \ln 2r/a_{B} \right) + \cdots \right]$$

$$\frac{\gamma = 0.577215 \dots, \quad a_{B} = 1/m\alpha, \quad \eta = 1/ka_{B}}{C_{\eta}^{2} = 2\pi\eta / \left(e^{2\pi\eta} - 1 \right), \quad h_{\eta} = \operatorname{Re} H(i\eta)}$$

$$H(x) = \psi(x) + 1/2x - \ln x$$

$$k \cot \delta C_{\eta}^2 + \frac{2}{a_B} \left(h_{\eta} - \ln \frac{a_B}{2R} + 2\gamma - 1 \right)$$

match logarithimic derivative:

 $e^{-ikr}, e^{ikr} \rightarrow F(kr), G(kr)$

$$\sim -\frac{1}{R} \left(1 + \frac{1}{L(R)} \right) = -\frac{1}{a_s}$$

definition of pp-scattering length, a_C :

$$k \cot \delta C_{\eta}^{2} + \frac{2}{a_{B}} h_{\eta} = -\frac{1}{a_{C}} + \cdots \longrightarrow -\frac{1}{a_{S}} = -\frac{1}{a_{C}} - \frac{2}{a_{B}} \left(\ln \frac{a_{B}}{2R} + 1 - 2\gamma \right)$$

$$a_{C} = a_{0}^{pp} = -7.82 \,\text{fm}$$

$$a_{S} = -17 \,\text{fm} \sim a_{0}^{nn} \longleftarrow r_{0}^{pp} = -2.83 \,\text{fm}$$

small difference from a_0^{nn} = 18.8 fm due to $m_n \neq m_p$

Resonances and R-matrices



World as seen by quantum field theorist



Nuclear potential models are:

- phenomenological
- non fundamental
- non extrapolable (predictable)
- higher-order corrections (?) non controllable

But how to solve \mathcal{L}_{QCD} for low-energy Nuclear Physics?

- Feynman diagrams (lots of integrals, almost no PDE's)
- particle exchange
- vacuum polarization
- loop integrals, divergences
- regularization, renormalization

Effective Field Theories

• Main Idea: low E processes insensitive to short distance dynamics (separation of scales)

• Freedom to trade detailed short distance dynamics for simple effective interactions

• as in Effective Range Theory 7

$$T(k) \sim \frac{1}{-\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{2}r_0k^2 - ik}$$

But note: infinitely many V(r) models give the same (a,r_0)

EFT approach:

- 1. use all relevant symmetries for $\mathcal L$ with local operators
- 2. field theory will guide calculations (regularization, renormalization, etc.)
- 3. tune parameters to reproduce set of data
- 4. use power counting to control errors
- 5. predict something

S-wave scattering

Invariance: (a) parity, (b) Galilean, (c) time reversal, (d) particle number

$$\mathcal{L}_{EFT} \sim N^{+} \left(i\partial_{t} + \frac{\nabla^{2}}{2m_{N}} \right) N + \left(\frac{\mu}{2} \right)^{4-D} \left\{ -C_{0} \left(N^{+} N \right)^{2} + \frac{C_{2}}{8} \left[N^{+} N N^{+} \nabla^{2} N + h.c. + \cdots \right] \right\}$$

$$\pi$$
-less EFT $\delta(r)$ + higher derivatives of $\delta(r)$

$$N^{T} = (p \ n) = \text{isopin doublet}; \quad \nabla^{2} = \nabla^{2} - 2\nabla \cdot \nabla + \nabla^{2}$$

$$\frac{\mu}{2} = \text{arbitrary mass to make } C_{2n} \nabla^{2n} \text{ same dimension for any } D$$
Feynman rules: $iS_{N} = i/(q_{0} - \mathbf{q}^{2}/2m + i\varepsilon)$

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$$iT_{tree} = -i(\mu/2)^{4-D}C_{0} - i(\mu/2)^{4-D}C_{2}k^{2} + \cdots$$

$$= -i(\mu/2)^{4-D}C_{2}k^{2}$$



Important lesson:

$$\exp(i\theta) = \cos\theta + i\sin\theta$$



"mathematical jewel for physicists" (Feynman Lectures of Physics)

"mathematical jewel for quantum field theorists"

Power counting

naturalness:physicalparameters withdimension (mass)^d scaleas $(M_{hi})^d$. $M_{hi} \sim m_{\pi}$

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$$C_{2n} \sim \frac{4\pi}{m_N} \frac{1}{M_{hi}^{2n+1}}$$

$$C_0 I_0 \sim C_0 \frac{m_N}{4\pi} k \sim \frac{k}{M_{hi}}$$

higher derivative contact terms suppressed

loops also suppressed



series perturbative: can be organized in powers of k/M_{hi}

Matching



Unnatural case (large *a*, shallow bound states)

deuteron, halo nuclei

Texpansion in terms of ka fails for $k \sim 1/a$

$$T_{eff.range} = -\frac{4\pi}{m_N} \frac{1}{1/a + ik} \left[1 + \frac{r_0/2}{1/a + ik} k^2 + \frac{(r_0/2)^2}{(1/a + ik)^2} k^4 + \cdots \right]$$

EFT expansion has to scale as $(p^{-1}, p^0, p^1, ...)$

1 - Use PDS regularization scheme (Kaplan, Savage, Wise):
- subtract poles of lower dimension D (I_n has a pole at D=3)

$$I_n^{PDS} = I_n + \delta I_n = -k^2 \left(\frac{m_N}{4\pi}\right) (\mu + ik)$$

2 - Expansion should be:

$$T = \sum_{n=-1}^{\infty} T_n; \qquad T_n \sim O(k^n)$$

van Kolck, 1997

Kaplan, Savage,

Gegelia, 1998

Wise, 1998

$$\blacksquare T_{-1} = -C_0 \left[1 + \frac{C_0 m_N}{4\pi} (\mu + ik) \right]^{-1}$$

$$T_{0} = -C_{2}k^{2} \left[1 + \frac{C_{0}m_{N}}{4\pi} (\mu + ik)\right]^{2}$$

+ "jewel" of QFT (geometrical series)









$$C_0(\mu) = \frac{4\pi}{m_N} \left(\frac{1}{-\mu + 1/a} \right); \qquad C_2(\mu) = \frac{4\pi}{m_N} \left(\frac{1}{-\mu + 1/a} \right)^2 \frac{r_0}{2}; \qquad \cdots$$

But T_{EFT} should not depend on μ renormalization group equations e.g. $\mu (d/d\mu)(1/T) = 0$ $\mu \frac{d}{d\mu}C_{2n} = \frac{m_N}{4\pi} \sum_{m=0}^n C_{2m}C_{2(n-m)}$

with the boundary condition that $C_0(0) = 4\pi a/m_N$

$$T_{1} = -\frac{\left(C_{2}k^{2}\right)^{2}m_{N}(\mu + ik)/4\pi}{\left[1 + \frac{C_{0}m_{N}}{4\pi}(\mu + ik)\right]^{3}} - \frac{C_{4}k^{4}}{\left[1 + \frac{C_{0}m_{N}}{4\pi}(\mu + ik)\right]^{4}}; \qquad \dots \dots$$

power counting:

$$C_{2n} \sim \frac{4\pi}{m_N} \frac{1}{M_{hi}^n \mu^{n+1}}$$

T-matrix for physics at $k \sim 1/a$ scale: has a pole in $k = i\kappa$ corresponding to real or virtual bound states $\kappa \sim i/a + higher$ order corrections

Coulomb Interaction

e.g., pp-scattering

$$\mathcal{L}_{EFT} \sim N^{+} \left(i \partial_{t} + \frac{\nabla^{2}}{2m_{N}} \right) N - C_{0} \left(N^{+} N \right)^{2}$$



$$\delta T = C_0 \int \frac{d^3 q}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{e^2}{\mathbf{k}^2 + \lambda^2} \frac{1}{E - (\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{q})^2 / m_N + i\varepsilon} \left(\sim C_0 \frac{\alpha m_N}{k} = C_0 \eta \right)$$
$$= -C_0 \eta \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + i \ln \frac{2k}{\lambda} \right) + O(\lambda) \implies \text{non-perturbative for } k < \alpha m_N$$

external legs strongly influenced by Coulomb repulsion

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$$\delta I_0 \sim \frac{\eta \, m_N}{8\pi} \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon} + 2\ln \frac{\mu \sqrt{\pi}}{2k} + \# \right) \implies \text{non-perturbative for } k < \alpha \, m_N$$

pole at D = 4 \rightarrow need renorm of C_0



strong interaction also much modified by Coulomb interaction



+ "jewel" of QFT (geometrical series)

$$T = C_0 C_\eta^2 e^{2i\sigma_0} + C_0^2 C_\eta^2 e^{2i\sigma_0} J_0(k) + \dots = C_\eta^2 \frac{C_0 e^{2i\sigma_0}}{1 - C_0 J_0(k)}$$

$$J_{0}(k) = m_{N} \int \frac{d^{3}q}{(2\pi)^{3}} \frac{2\pi\eta(q)}{e^{2\pi\eta(q)} - 1} \frac{1}{k^{2} - q^{2} + i\varepsilon}$$
$$= -\frac{\alpha m_{N}^{2}}{4\pi} \left[\frac{1}{\varepsilon} + H(\eta) + \ln \frac{\mu\sqrt{\pi}}{\alpha m_{N}} + \# \right] - \frac{\mu m_{N}}{4\pi}$$

 \rightarrow pole at D = 4 \rightarrow need renorm of C_0

use PDS and get rid of pole at D = 3, too.



Resonances

C.B., H. Hammer, U. van Kolck, 2002 include p-waves: with C_4 interactions (e.g., n + ⁴He)

$$\mathcal{L}_{EFT} \sim N^{+} \left(i\partial_{0} + \frac{\nabla^{2}}{2m_{N}} \right) N + \frac{C_{2}^{p}}{8} \left(N \vec{\nabla} N \right)^{+} \left(N \vec{\nabla} N \right) - \frac{C_{4}^{p}}{64} \left[\left(N \vec{\nabla}^{2} \vec{\nabla}_{i} N \right)^{+} \left(N \vec{\nabla}_{i} N \right) + h.c. \right] + \cdots$$

instead:

D. Kaplan, 1997 🛛

introduce auxiliary field d(dimeron) which reproduces same physics as original EFT Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{EFT} \sim N^{+} \left(i\partial_{0} + \frac{\nabla^{2}}{2m_{N}} \right) N + \eta_{1} d_{i}^{+} \left(i\partial_{0} + \frac{\nabla^{2}}{4m_{N}} - \Delta_{1} \right) d_{i} + \frac{g_{1}}{4} \left[d_{i}^{+} \left(N \vec{\nabla} N \right) + h.c. \right] + \cdots$$

1- parameters $\eta_1 = \pm 1$, g_1 and Δ_1 fixed from matching 2- advantage: get quicker to the answer, appropriate for large a's

dimeron propagator: $iD_1^0 = i\eta_1 \delta_{ij} / (q_0 - \mathbf{q}^2 / 4m - \Delta_1 + i\varepsilon)$ **Feynman rules:** nucleon-dimeron vertex: $V_{N-d} = \frac{g_1}{4} (\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2)$

 $T_{EFT}^{(p-wave)} = \frac{12\pi}{m} k^2 \left[\eta_1 \frac{12\pi\Delta_1}{m(g_1^R)^2} - \eta_1 \frac{12\pi\Delta_1}{m(g_1^R)^2} k^2 - ik \right]$ renormalized parameters g^R, Δ^R

matching straight-forward

$$T_{eff.range}^{(p-wave)} = \frac{12\pi}{m} k^2 \left(-\frac{1}{a_1} + \frac{r_1}{2} k^2 - ik^3 \right)^{-1}$$





$$\begin{split} \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{LO}} &= \phi^{\dagger} \Big[i\partial_{0} + \frac{\overrightarrow{\nabla}^{2}}{2m_{\alpha}} \Big] \phi + N^{\dagger} \Big[i\partial_{0} + \frac{\overrightarrow{\nabla}^{2}}{2m_{N}} \Big] N + \eta_{1+} t^{\dagger} \Big[i\partial_{0} + \frac{\overrightarrow{\nabla}^{2}}{2(m_{\alpha} + m_{N})} - \Delta_{1+} \Big] t \\ &+ \frac{g_{1+}}{2} \Big\{ t^{\dagger} \mathbf{S}^{\dagger} \cdot \Big[N \overrightarrow{\nabla} \phi - (\overrightarrow{\nabla} N) \phi \Big] + \mathrm{H.c.} - r \Big[t^{\dagger} \mathbf{S}^{\dagger} \cdot \overrightarrow{\nabla} (N \phi) + \mathrm{H.c.} \Big] \Big\} \,, \\ \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{NLO}} &= \eta_{0+} s^{\dagger} \Big[-\Delta_{0+} \Big] s + g_{0+} \Big[s^{\dagger} N \phi + \phi^{\dagger} N^{\dagger} s \Big] + g_{1+}' t^{\dagger} \Big[i\partial_{0} + \frac{\overrightarrow{\nabla}^{2}}{2(m_{\alpha} + m_{N})} \Big]^{2} t \,, \end{split}$$

notation: *s*, *d*, *t* =
$$s_{1/2}$$
, $p_{1/2}$, $p_{3/2}$ $\varphi = {}^{4}\text{He scalar field}$
 $S_{i} = 2 \times 4$ spin-transition matrices

$$T^{LO} = \frac{2\pi}{m_0} k^2 (2\cos\theta + i\vec{\sigma}\cdot\hat{n})\sin\theta$$
$$\times \left(\eta_{1+} \frac{6\pi\Delta_{1+}}{m_0 g_{1+}^2} - \eta_{1+} \frac{3\pi}{m_0^2 g_{1+}^2} k^2 - ik^3\right)^{-1}$$

$$a_{1+} = -\eta_{1+} \frac{m_0 g_{1+}^2}{6\pi \Delta_{1+}}; \qquad r_{1+} = -\eta_{1+} \frac{6\pi}{m_0^2 g_{1+}^2}$$

$$T^{NLO} = \frac{\eta_{0+}g_{0+}^2}{2\pi\Delta_{0+}} + \frac{6\pi^2 g_{1+}^2}{2m_0^4 g_{1+}^2} \\ \times \frac{k^6 (2\cos\theta + i\vec{\sigma}\cdot\hat{n})\sin\theta}{\left(1/a_{1+} - r_{1+}k^2/2 - ik^3\right)^2}$$

$$a_{0+} = -\eta_{0+} \frac{m_0 g_{0+}^2}{2\pi\Delta_{0+}}; \qquad \mathcal{P}_{1+} = \frac{6\pi g_{1+}}{m_0^2 g_{1+}^2}$$





R-matrix from EFT



Higa, C.B, van Kolck, 2005 (work in progress) p + ⁴He

$$\mathcal{R} = \sum_{\lambda} \frac{\gamma_{\lambda} \gamma_{\lambda}}{E_{\lambda} - E};$$

$$\delta_{\lambda l} = -\delta_{s} + \arctan \frac{\mathcal{R}_{\lambda l} \mathcal{P}_{l}}{1 - \mathcal{R}_{\lambda l} (S_{l} - b)}$$

$$\delta_{s}, b, \gamma_{\lambda}, \mathcal{P}_{l} S_{l} \qquad \text{from matching with EFT}$$



Perspectives: Coulomb or electron scattering (e.g., ELISe-GSI)



$$\frac{d\sigma}{dE_e d\Omega} \sim |f_l(q)|^2$$

$$f_l \equiv f_l(q, S_n, a_l, r_l)$$
Halo nuclei: very strong dependence

Halo nuclei: very strong dependence on effective range expansion parameters, a₁, r₁ C.B., PLB 2005

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(see also talk by Blanchon, Bonaccorso, this Workshop)



Conclusions

- <u>Effective field theories</u>
 - reproduce low energy scattering
 - with or without resonances (R-matrix)
 - advantage: controlled precision
 - couplings encode subnucleon physics
 (to be compared who knows when to Lattice QCD calcs.)
 - predictive: e.g., n + p → d + γ within < 1% accuracy (Chen, Savage, 1999; Rupak 2000)
 - useful for halo nuclei (e.g. n + ⁴He)
 - ⁷Be + p \rightarrow ⁸B + γ candidate (problem: exc. states in ⁷Be)
 - understand Nuc. Phys. from fundamental theory (QCD)