Similarity Renormalization Group and Evolution of Many-Body Forces

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- Overview of Similarity Renormalization Group (SRG) and Decoupling
- Evolving Three-Nucleon Forces (3NFs in 3D!!)
- Insights from a One-Dimensional Model
- Conclusions and Future Work

Degrees of Freedom: From QCD to Nuclei



• Renormalization Group \Longrightarrow focus on relevant dof's

Resolution Analogy

• Which picture should I use?



Nuclear Interactions in Momentum Space



• Fourier transform in partial waves (Bessel transform)

$$V_{L=0}(k,k') = \int d^3r j_0(kr) V(r) j_0(k'r) = \langle k | V_{L=0} | k' \rangle$$

• Repulsive core \implies big high-k ($\ge 2 \text{ fm}^{-1}$) components

• EFTs are softer - but still have high-k components

Computational Aside: Digital Potentials

• Although momentum is continuous in principle, in practice represented as discrete (gaussian guadrature) grid:



• Calculations become just matrix multiplications! E.g.,

$$\langle k|V|k\rangle + \sum_{k'} \frac{\langle k|V|k'\rangle\langle k'|V|k\rangle}{(k^2 - {k'}^2)/m} + \cdots \Longrightarrow V_{ii} + \sum_{j} V_{ij} V_{ji} \frac{1}{(k_i^2 - k_j^2)/m} + \cdots$$

• 100 × 100 Resolution is sufficient for many significant figures



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What's wrong with the Low-Pass Filter

- Basic problem: high and low are coupled!
- Perturbation theory for scattering

$$\langle k|V|k\rangle + \sum_{k'} \frac{\langle k|V|k'\rangle\langle k'|V|k\rangle}{(k^2 - k'^2)/m} + \dots$$

- Can't just change high-momentum elements (intermediate virtual states)
- Absorb high-energy effects into low-energy Hamiltonians ⇒ "Renormalization Group" (Here: "flow equations")
- Unitary transformation:

$$E_n = (\langle \psi_n | U^{\dagger}) U H U^{\dagger} (U | \psi_n \rangle)$$



What is the SRG? [arXiv:nucl-th/0611045]

• Transform an initial Free-Space Hamiltonian, $H = T + V_s$

$$H_s = U(s)HU^{\dagger}(s) \equiv T + V_s$$

where s is the flow parameter. Differentiating wrt s:

$$rac{dH_s}{ds} = [\eta(s), H_s] \quad \textit{with} \quad \eta(s) = rac{dU(s)}{ds} U^\dagger(s) = -\eta^\dagger(s)$$

• $\eta(s)$ is specified by the commutator with generator, G_s :

$$\eta(s) = [G_s, H_s] ,$$

which yields the flow equation,

$$\frac{dH_s}{ds} = \frac{dV_s}{ds} = [[G_s, H_s], H_s]$$

• G_s determines flow \implies Many choices! (e.g., $G_s = T$)

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$$\stackrel{^{1}S_{0} \quad \lambda = 4.0 \text{ fm}^{-1}}{\overset{^{k'}(\text{fm}^{-1})}{\overset{^{l}}{_{2}}}} = \underbrace{[[T_{rel}, H_{s}], H_{s}]}_{0.5} \quad (\lambda = 1/s^{1/4})$$







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The Mechanics of Decoupling

$$\frac{dV_{\lambda}}{d\lambda} \propto [[T, V_{\lambda}], T + V_{\lambda}] \quad (\epsilon_k \equiv k^2/M)$$





- Off-diagonal elements $\implies V_{\lambda}(k,k') \propto V_{NN}(k,k')e^{-[(\epsilon_k - \epsilon_{k'})/\lambda^2]^2}$
- Relevant physics flows to low momentum elements

Unitary Transformations \implies Preserve Observables



Now Low-Pass Filters Work!

• Phase shifts with $V_s(k, k') = 0$ for $k, k' > k_{max}$



Tested quantitatively in arXiv: 0711.4252 and 0801.1098
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Many-Body Forces

- Why do we need many-body forces?
 - 3NFs arise from eliminating dof's
 - Omitting 3NFs leads to model dependence (Tjon line)
 - 3NF saturates nuclear matter correctly
 - Many-body methods must deal with them (e.g., CI,CC,...)
- SRG will induce many-body forces! $\frac{dV}{ds} = \left[\left[\sum a^{\dagger}a, \sum \underline{a^{\dagger}a^{\dagger}aa} \right], \sum \underline{a^{\dagger}a^{\dagger}aa} \right]$ $= \dots + \sum \underbrace{a^{\dagger}a^{\dagger}a^{\dagger}aaa}_{3-body!} + \dots$
 - Stop evolution if induced 3NF becomes unnatural
 - RG flows with SRG extend consistently to many-body spaces
 - Recent progress: 3NF evolved!!!



Current Realistic NCSM Calculations



• 3NF parameters c_E and c_D are fit to two observables

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Evolving Three-Body Forces in NCSM!



- Same plots but now including an initial 3NF from N2LO
- Unitary evolution in A = 3 ⇒ Triton experimental energy preserved

Comparing the SRG to Lee-Suzuki

• SRG converges rapidly and smoothly from above



• What about the size of induced 4NFs in ⁴He?

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Tjon Line



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Insights from the One-Dimensional Model

• 1-D model: $V^{(2)}(x) = \frac{V_1}{\sigma_1\sqrt{\pi}}e^{-x^2/\sigma_1^2} + \frac{V_2}{\sigma_2\sqrt{\pi}}e^{-x^2/\sigma_2^2}$ [Negele et al.: Phys.Rev.C **39** 1076 (1989)]



- How do we handle many-body forces? → use a discrete basis to avoid "dangerous" delta functions
- EDJ and R. J. Furnstahl [arXiv:0809.4199]

Embedding: initial potential



- diagonalize symmetrizer $\Rightarrow \langle N_A || N_{A-1}; n_{A-1} \rangle$; use recursively
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Legend: Embedding, Evolving, BE calculation, Initial 3NF
A=3 (2N only):

$$V_{osc}^{(2)} \stackrel{SRG}{\Longrightarrow} V_{\lambda,osc}^{(2)} \stackrel{embed}{\Longrightarrow} V_{\lambda,3Nosc}^{(2)} \stackrel{diag}{\Longrightarrow} BE_{3}^{(2Nonly)}$$

• A=4 (2N only):

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• A=4 (2N+3N only):

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$$\stackrel{3NF}{\Longrightarrow} + V_{3Nosc}^{(3init)} \dots$$

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- Red: Three-body forces induced Unitary!





 $V^{(3)}(p,q,p',q') = c_E e^{-((p'^2+q'^2)/\Lambda^2)^n} e^{-((p^2+q^2)/\Lambda^2)^n} \quad (\Lambda = 2 \quad n = 4)$

Induced Many-Body Forces are Small - A=5



- Five-body force is negligible
- Hierarchy of induced many-body forces

$V^{(3)}$ analysis

$$\frac{d}{d\lambda} \langle \psi_{\lambda}^{(3)} | V_{\lambda}^{(3)} | \psi_{\lambda}^{(3)} \rangle = \langle \psi_{\lambda}^{(3)} | [\overline{V}_{\lambda}^{(2)}, V_{\lambda}^{(2)}]_{c} - [\overline{V}_{\lambda}^{(3)}, V_{\lambda}^{(3)}] | \psi_{\lambda}^{(3)} \rangle$$



- Majority evolution dominated by $[\overline{V}^{(2)}, V^{(2)}]$, $(\overline{V} \equiv [T, V])$
- Hierarchy of contributions



$\mathcal{V}^{(4)}$ analysis

 $\frac{d}{d\lambda} \langle \psi_{\lambda}^{(4)} | V_{\lambda}^{(4)} | \psi_{\lambda}^{(4)} \rangle = \langle \psi_{\lambda}^{(4)} | [\overline{V}_{\lambda}^{(2)}, V_{\lambda}^{(3)}]_{c} + [\overline{V}_{\lambda}^{(3)}, V_{\lambda}^{(2)}]_{c} + [\overline{V}_{\lambda}^{(3)}, V_{\lambda}^{(3)}]_{c} - [\overline{V}_{\lambda}^{(4)}, V_{\lambda}^{(4)}] | \psi_{\lambda}^{(4)} \rangle$



∴ Induced 4-body is small - Hierarchy persists

Fitting Three-Body Force Evolution

- Evolve in two-particle oscillator space \rightarrow fit 3-body parameters to missing energy
- One term $V^{(3)} = Ce^{-[(k^2+k'^2)/\Lambda^2]^n}$ reduces λ dependence to the 80-90% level.



 Future work: add a second, short distance 3NF term with a gradient correction to test systematic reduction

Operator Evolution



• Here unevolved operator $(a^{\dagger}a)$ with evolved wavefunctions



• More of this to come from E. R. Anderson

Decoupling in the Oscillator Basis



- \bullet Decoupling improves until some λ and then degrades
- What about other SRG generators?

Using other SRG Generators

ullet Matrices in NCSM basis for $\mathcal{T}_{\mathrm{rel}}$ and V



- In this basis T_{rel} will not drive to diagonal
- Harmonic Oscillator Hamiltonian ($H_{
 m ho}=T_{
 m rel}+V_{
 m ho}$) is diagonal in this basis





- Compare T_{rel} on the left with H_{ho} on the right
- Work in progress: Spurious bound states contaminate evolution with $H_{ho} \rightarrow$ need further investigation

Block-Diagonal SRG: [arXiv:0801.1098]

- [Anderson, Bogner, Furnstahl, EDJ, Perry, Schwenk arXiv:0801.1098]
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- SRG Decouples high- and low-energy DOF
- SRG is very flexible can use different generators to evolve potentials
- One-D model gives proof-of-principle of many-body hierarchy
 - provides toolbox to gain intuition quickly everything is directly applicable to 3D NCSM
- Results for 3NF evolution in the NCSM basis are very encouraging!

- Some items to investigate
 - Operator evolution
 - SRG generators (H_{ho}, H_{BD}, H_D)
 - Basis issues
 - Fitting procedures
- All of these can be started in 3D now
- Door is opening quickly to other areas (CI,CC,...)

Extra Slides

Harmonic Oscillator Basis Overview



- HO wavefunction examples $\psi_n(k)$ with $\hbar\omega = 4$
- resulting truncated delta function $\widetilde{\delta}(k k') = \sum_{n=0}^{N_{max}} |\psi_n(k)\rangle \langle \psi_n(k')|$
- tradeoff between small $\hbar\omega$ resolution and large $\hbar\omega$ scope
- bigger $N_{max} \rightarrow$ flatter in $\hbar \omega$
- \bullet optimal $\hbar\omega$ will shift with SRG evolution



- \bullet Good NN convergence even at $N_{\rm max}{=}20$
- Try this another way (cut in A=2)

Testing Decoupling Quantitatively



• ¹S₀ Partial Wave, N³LO (500 MeV) E/M

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Deuteron Observables

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- Binding Energy
- Quadrupole Moment
- RMS radius



⁴He Energy using No Core Shell Model



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• NN-only \implies different ⁴He Binding Energies

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Block Diagonalization

• See edj et al.: arXiv:0801.1098

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Goal} &\longrightarrow \operatorname{H}_{\infty} = \begin{pmatrix} PH_{\infty}P & 0\\ 0 & QH_{\infty}Q \end{pmatrix} \\ \operatorname{SRG} &\longrightarrow \frac{\operatorname{dH}_{\mathrm{s}}}{\operatorname{ds}} = [\eta_{\mathrm{s}}, \operatorname{H}_{\mathrm{s}}] = [[\operatorname{G}_{\mathrm{s}}, \operatorname{H}_{\mathrm{s}}], \operatorname{H}_{\mathrm{s}}] \\ \operatorname{sharp} &\longrightarrow \operatorname{G}_{\mathrm{s}} = \begin{pmatrix} PH_{s}P & 0\\ 0 & QH_{s}Q \end{pmatrix} \\ \operatorname{smooth} &\longrightarrow \operatorname{G}_{\mathrm{s}} = \operatorname{fH}_{\mathrm{s}}\mathrm{f} + (1-\mathrm{f})\operatorname{H}_{\mathrm{s}}(1-\mathrm{f}) \\ &\qquad f(k) = e^{-(k^{2}/\Lambda_{BD}^{2})^{n}} \end{aligned}$$

Block-Diagonal SRG - Sharp



Block-Diagonal SRG - Smooth (n=4)

