

Eigenvector continuation in nuclear physics

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Theory
Alliance

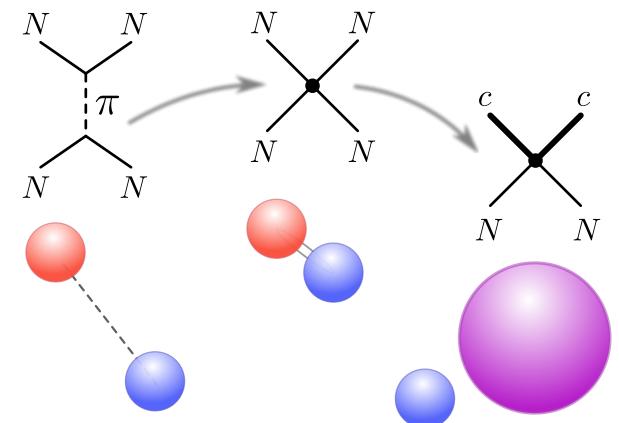
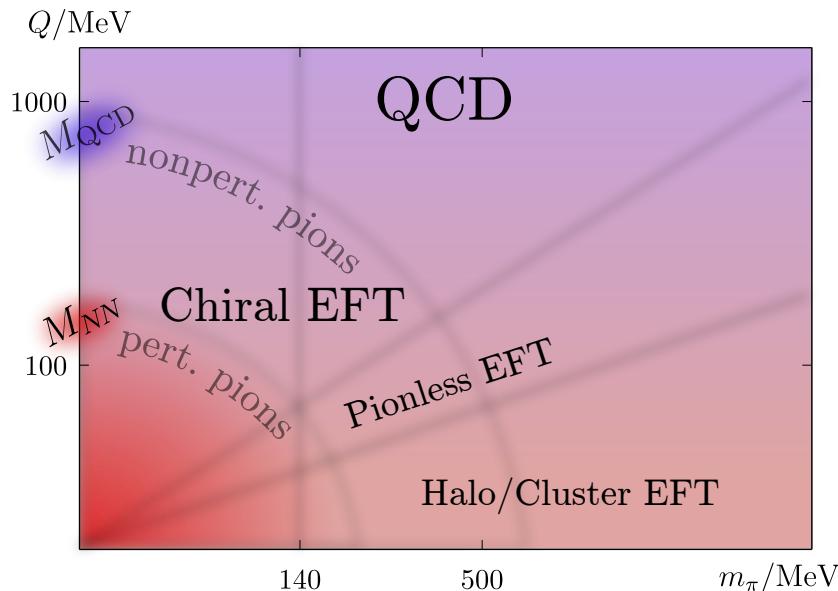
Nuclear effective field theories

- choose **degrees of freedom** appropriate to energy scale

- only restricted by **symmetry**, ordered by **power counting**

Hammer, SK, van Kolck, RMP **92** 025004 (2020)

- ~~~ **ab initio predictions with fully quantified uncertainties**



- degrees of freedom here: nucleons (and clusters thereof)
- even more effective d.o.f.: rotations, vibrations

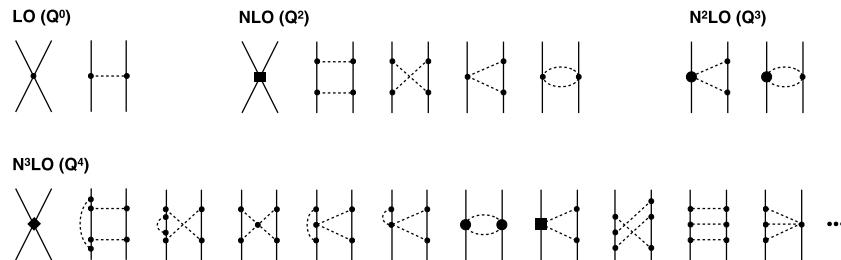
Papenbrock, NPA **852** 36 (2011); ...

Chiral interactions

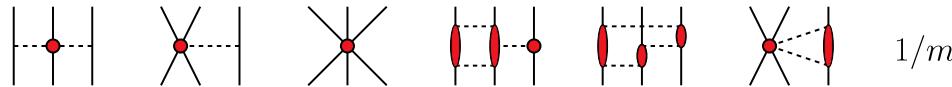
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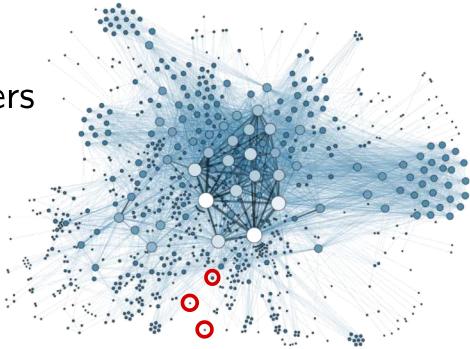
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Eigenvector continuation

Many physics problems are tremendously difficult...

- huge matrices, possibly too large to store
 - ▶ ever more so given the evolution of typical HPC clusters
- most exact methods suffer from exponential scaling
- **interest only in a few (lowest) eigenvalues**



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Introducing eigenvector continuation

D. Lee, TRIUMF Ab Initio Workshop 2018; Frame et al., PRL 121 032501 (2018)



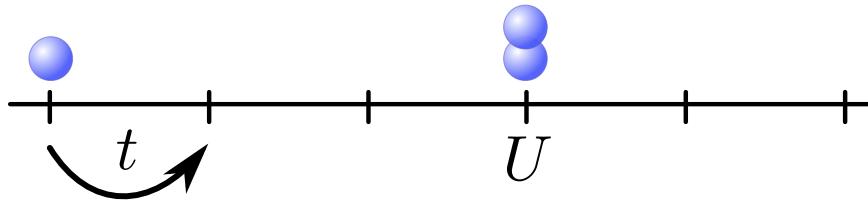
- novel numerical technique
- can solve otherwise untractable problems
- amazingly simple in practice
- broadly applicable
- **pretty big hammer, nails everywhere**

KDE Oxygen Theme

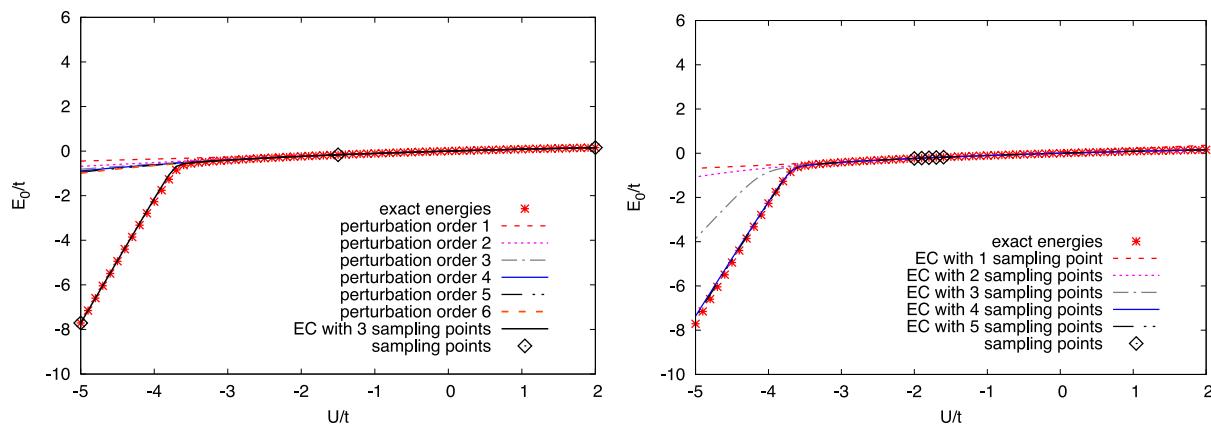
Hubbard model

Frame et al., PRL 121 032501 (2018)

- three-dimensional Bose-Hubbard model (4 bosons on $4 \times 4 \times 4$ lattice)
- hopping parameter t , on-site interaction $U \rightsquigarrow H = H(c = U/t)$



- Bose gas for $c > 0$, weak binding for $-3.8 < c < 0$, tight cluster for $c < -3.8$
- **eigenvector continuation can extrapolate across regimes**



General idea

Scenario

Frame et al., PRL 121 032501 (2018)

- consider physical state (eigenvector) in a large space
- **parametric dependence of Hamiltonian $H(c)$ traces only small subspace**

Procedure

- calculate $|\psi(c_i)\rangle$, $i = 1, \dots, N_{\text{EC}}$ in "easy" regime
- solve generalized eigenvalue problem $H|\psi\rangle = \lambda N|\psi\rangle$ with
 - ▶ $H_{ij} = \langle\psi_i|H(c_{\text{target}})|\psi_j\rangle$
 - ▶ $N_{ij} = \langle\psi_i|\psi_j\rangle$

Prerequisite

- **smooth** dependence of $H(c)$ on c
- enables **analytic continuation** of $|\psi(c)\rangle$ from c_{easy} to c_{target}

Outline

Introduction ✓

Reverse SRG Evolution

Efficient Emulators

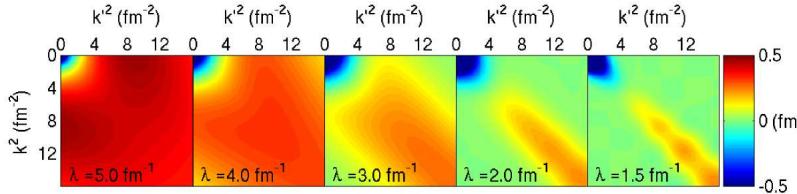
Volume Extrapolation

Part I

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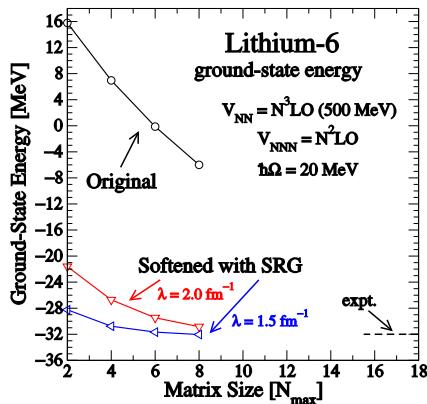
Similarity Renormalization Group (SRG)

- nuclear potentials (from EFT or otherwise) can be difficult to handle numerically
- unitary transformation of Hamiltonian: $H \rightarrow H_\lambda = U_\lambda H U_\lambda^\dagger \rightsquigarrow V_\lambda$ -decouple low and high momenta at scale λ

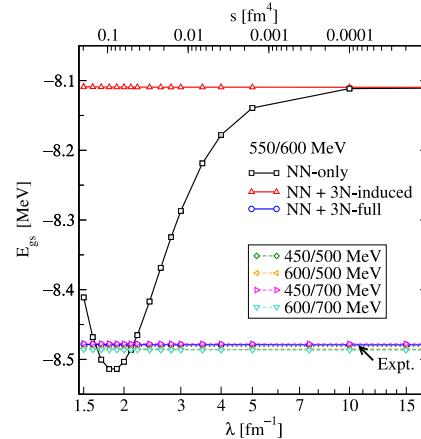


R. Furnstahl, HUGS 2014 lecture slides

- interaction becomes more amenable to numerical methods...
- ...at the cost of induced many-body forces!



Bogner et al., PPNP 65 94 (2010)



Hebeler+Furnstahl, RPP 76 126301 (2013)

SRG evolution = ODE solving

$$\frac{dH_s}{ds} = \frac{dV_s}{ds} = [[G, H_s], H_s], \lambda = 1/s^{1/4}$$

ordinary differential equation ensures smooth parametric dependence

↪ SRG evolution satisfies EC prerequisites!

Reverse SRG

Consider $A = 3,4$ test cases

- EMN N3LO(500) interaction, Jacobi NCSM calculation

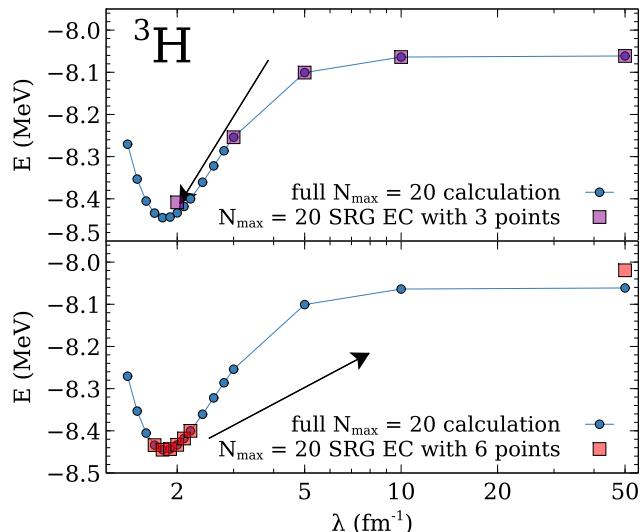
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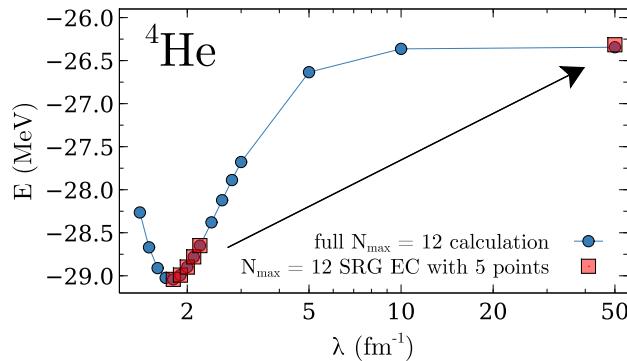
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Not even induced 3N forces kept here!

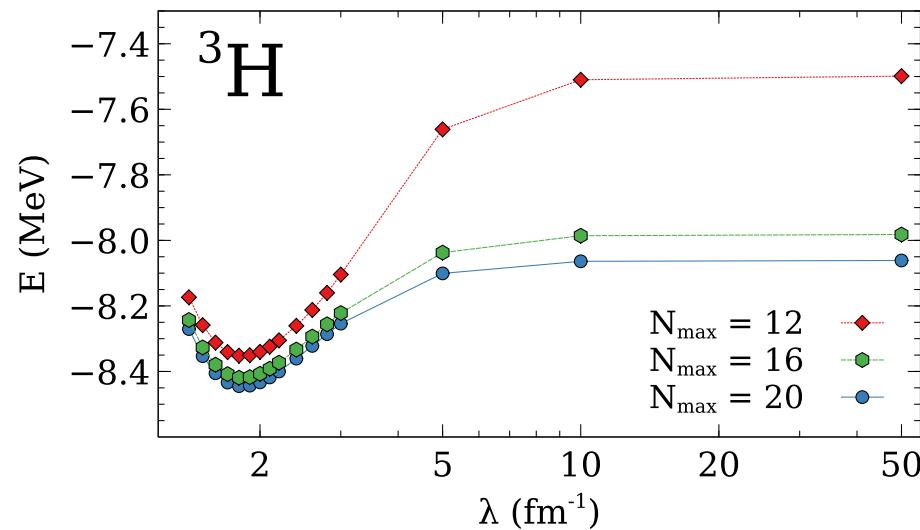


- possible to **extrapolate back** from small λ to bare interaction
- **information about missing many-body forces in wavefunctions**
 - ▶ not in any single wavefunction, but in how they change

Mind the gap

Still no free lunch, however...

- EC is a variational method
- cannot go beyond what bare interaction gives in same model space!



Part II

Efficient Emulators via Eigenvector Continuation

SK, A. Ekström, K. Hebeler, D. Lee, A. Schwenk, PLB **810** 135814 (2020)

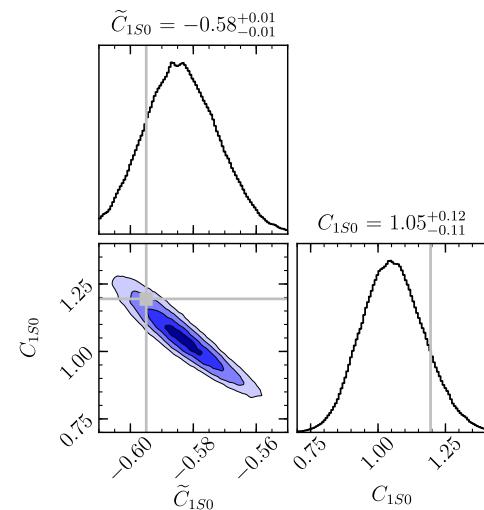
Need for emulators

1. Fitting of LECs to few- and many-body observables

- common practice now to use $A > 3$ to constrain nuclear forces, e.g.:
 - JISP16, NNLO_{sat}, α - α scattering
Shirokov et al., PLB **644** 33 (2007); Ekström et al., PRC **91** 051301 (2015); Elhatisari et al., PRL **117** 132501 (2016)
- fitting needs many calculations with different parameters

2. Propagation of uncertainties

- statistical fitting gives posteriors for LECs
- LEC posteriors propagate to observables
Wesolowski et al., JPG **46** 045102 (2019)
- need to sample a large number of calculations
 - expensive already in few-body sector!

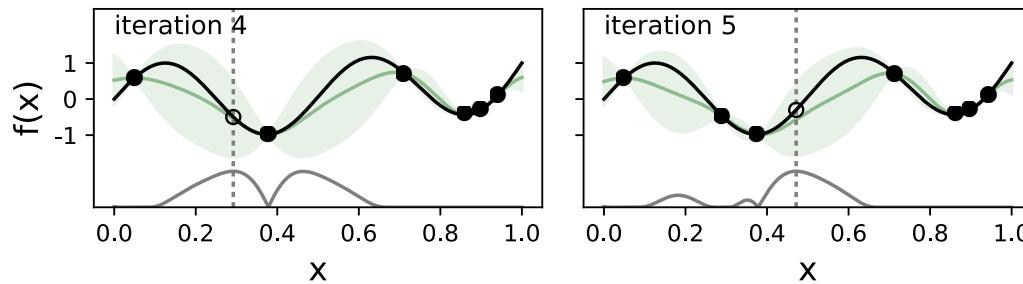


Emulators

Exact calculations can be prohibitively expensive!

Options

- multi-dimensional polynomial interpolation
 - simplest possible choice
 - typically too simple, no way to assess uncertainty
- Gaussian Process (GP)



- statistical modeling, iteratively improvable
- interpolation with inherent uncertainty estimate

Ekström et al., JPG 46 095101 (2019)

Recall

Eigenvector continuation can interpolate and extrapolate!

Hamiltonian parameter spaces

- original EC: single parameter, $H = H(c)$
- consider a Hamiltonian depending on **several** parameters:

$$H = H_0 + V = H_0 + \sum_{k=1}^d c_k V_k \quad (1)$$

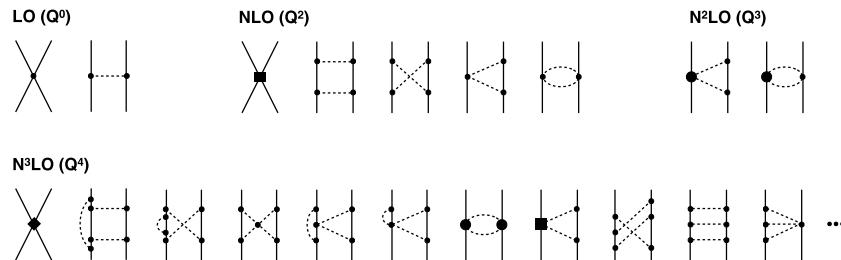
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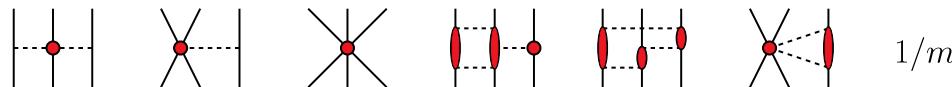
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Generalized EC

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- **EC construction is straightforward to generalize to this case:**
- simply replace $c_i \rightarrow \vec{c}_i$ in construction
 - ▶ $|\psi_i\rangle = |\psi(\vec{c}_i)\rangle$ for $i = 1, \dots, N_{\text{EC}}$
 - ▶ $H_{ij} = \langle \psi_i | H(\vec{c}_{\text{target}}) | \psi_j \rangle$, $N_{ij} = \langle \psi_i | \psi_j \rangle$

Note: sum in Eq. (1) can be carried out in small (dimension = N_{EC}) space!

Interpolation and extrapolation

Hypercubic sampling

- want to cover parameter space efficiently with training set $S = \{\vec{c}_i\}$
- Latin Hypercube Sampling can generate near random sample
- for examples that follow:
 - ▶ sample each component $c_k \in [-2, 2]$
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Ekström et al., PRC **91** 051301 (2015)

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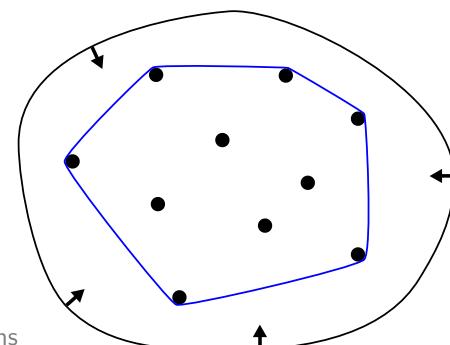
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Convex combinations

- distinguish interpolation and extrapolation target points
- interpolation region is convex hull of the $\{\vec{c}_i\}$
 - ▶ $\text{conv}(S) = \sum_i \alpha_i \vec{c}_i$ with $\alpha_i \geq 0$ and $\sum_i \alpha_i = 1$
- extrapolation for $\vec{c}_{\text{target}} \notin \text{conv}(S)$
- EC can handle both!

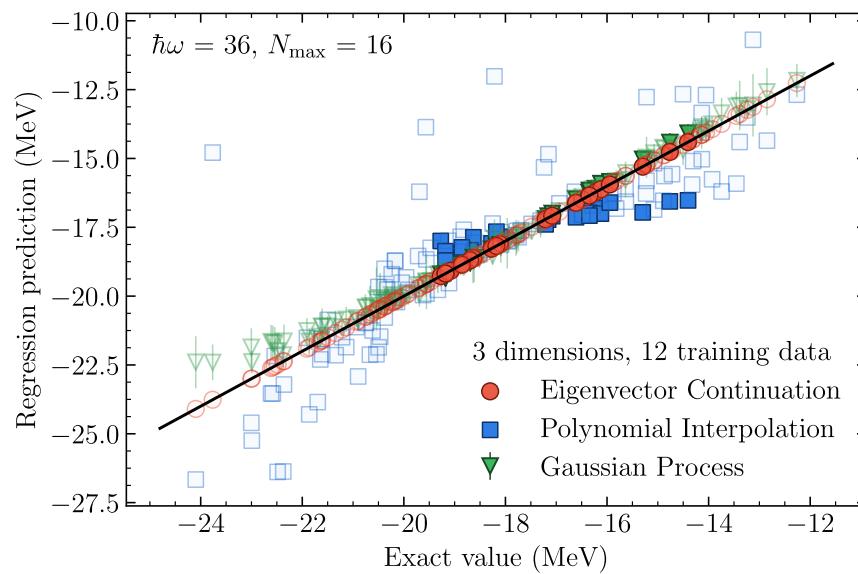


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Performance comparison: energy

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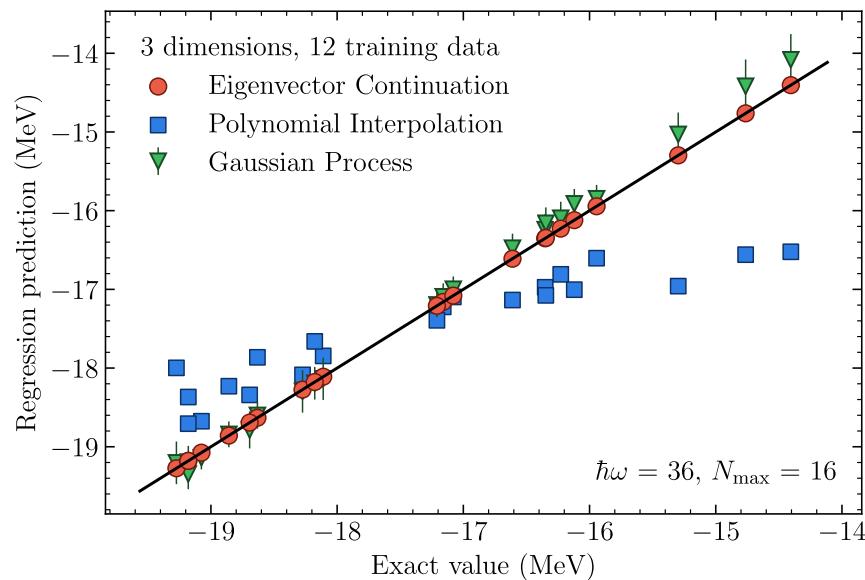
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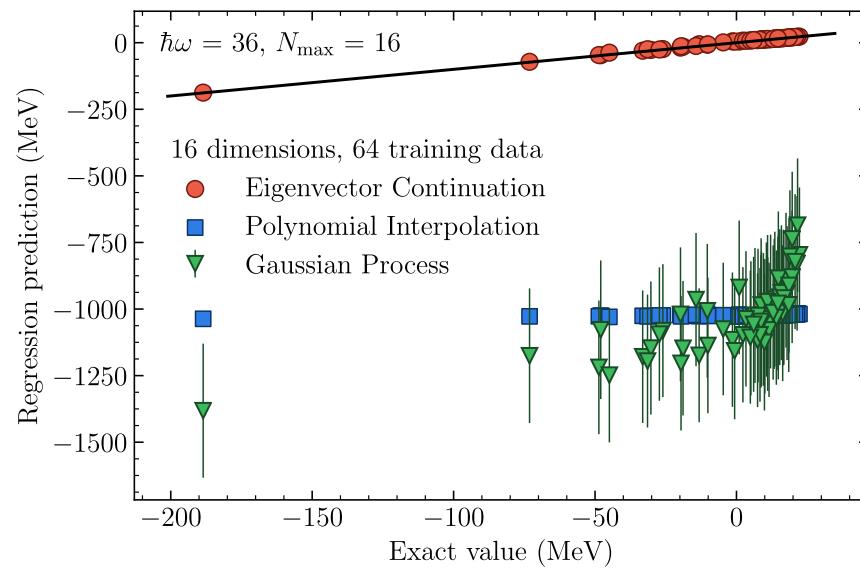
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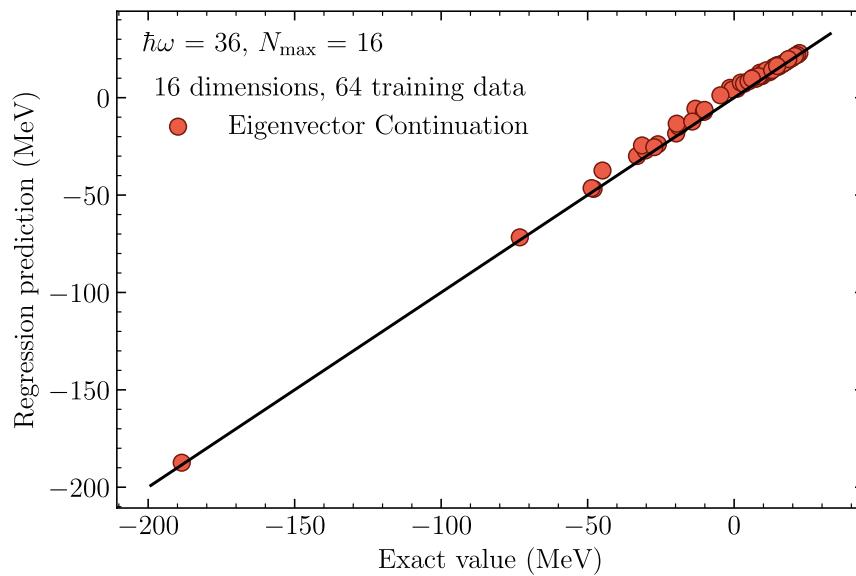
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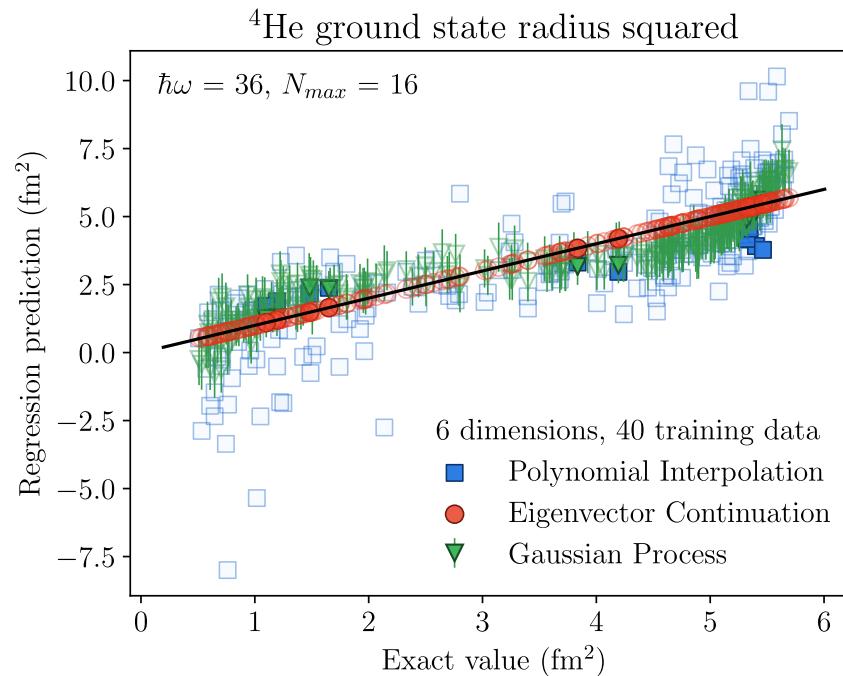
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Operator evaluation

- generalized eigenvalue problem
- EC gives not only energy, but also a continued wavefunction
- straightforward (and inexpensive) to evaluate arbitrary operators



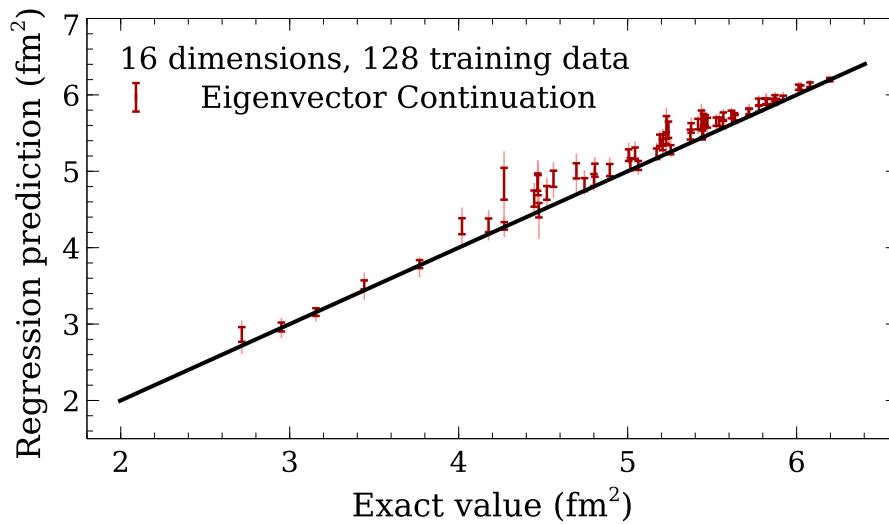
EC uncertainty estimate

- EC is a variational method
 - ▶ projection of Hamiltonian onto a subspace
 - ▶ dimension of this subspace determines the accuracy
 - ▶ excellent convergence properties

Sarkar+Lee, PRL 126 032501 (2021)

Bootstrap approach

- leave out sets of basis vectors, take mean and standard deviation



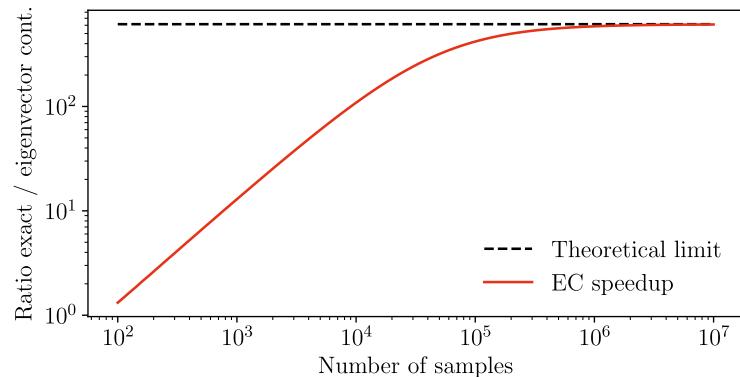
Computational cost

- **setup of EC subspace basis**
 - ▶ combination of Hamiltonian for given \vec{c}_i , Lanczos diagonalization
 - ▶ total cost = $M^2 \times (2n + N_{\text{mv}})$ flops
- **calculation of norm matrix:** $2n^2M$ flops
- **reduction of Hamiltonian parts:** $(d+1) \times (2nM^2 + 2n^2M)$ flops
- **cost per emulated sample point**
 - ▶ combination of Hamiltonian parts in small space: $2dn^2$ flops
 - ▶ orthogonalization + diagonalization: $26n^3/3 + \mathcal{O}(n^2)$ flops

$M = M(N_{\text{max}})$: model-space dim., n : training data, N : samples, N_{mv} : matrix-vector prod. (Lanczos)

Example

- $N_{\text{max}} = 16$
- $d = 16$, $N_{\text{EC}} = 64$
- max. speed-up factor ~ 600

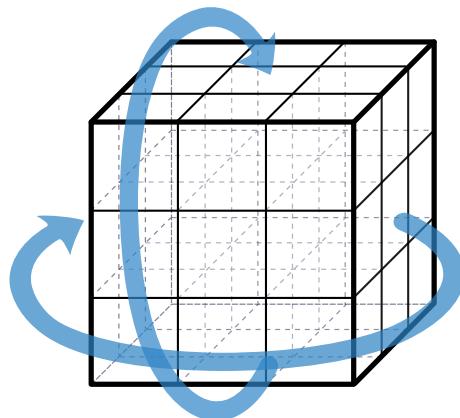


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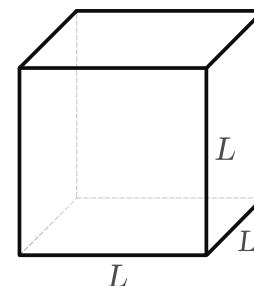
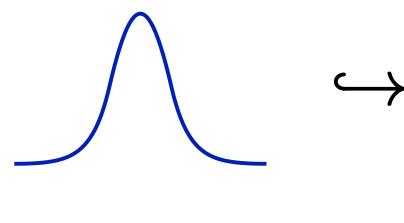
Volume Extrapolation via Eigenvector Continuation

N. Yapa, SK, arXiv:2201.08313 (2022)

Finite periodic boxes



- physical system enclosed in finite volume (box)
- typically used: periodic boundary conditions
- **leads to volume-dependent energies**

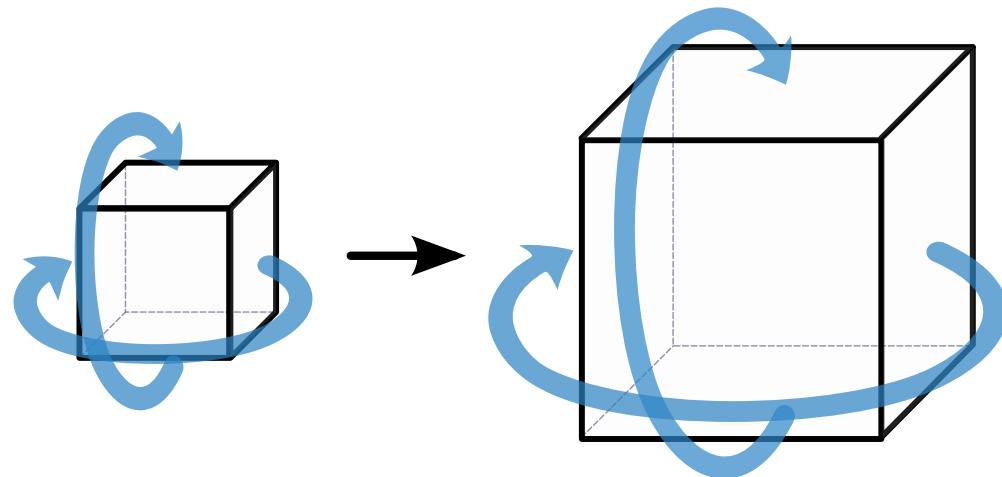


Lüscher formalism

- physical properties encoded in the volume-dependent energy levels
- infinite-volume S-matrix governs **discrete** finite-volume spectrum
- **finite volume used as theoretical tool**

Lüscher, Commun. Math. Phys. **104** 177 (1986); ...

Volume extrapolation



$$L_1 \quad \rightarrow \quad L_2 \gg L_1$$

Why?

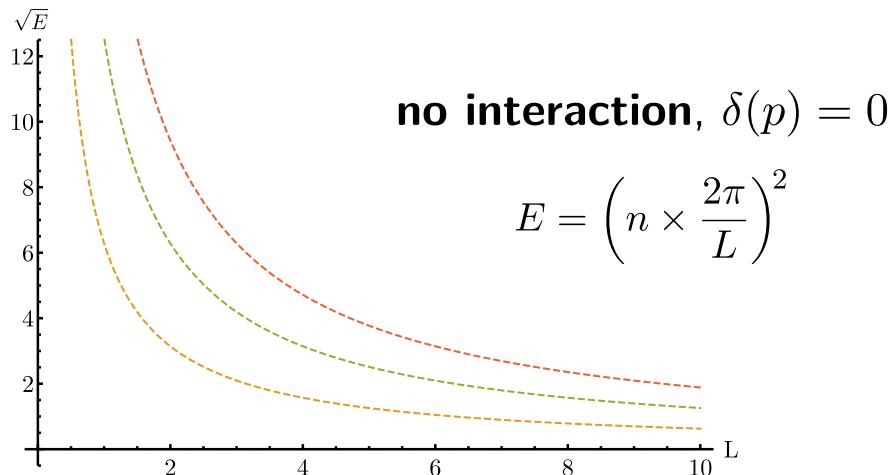
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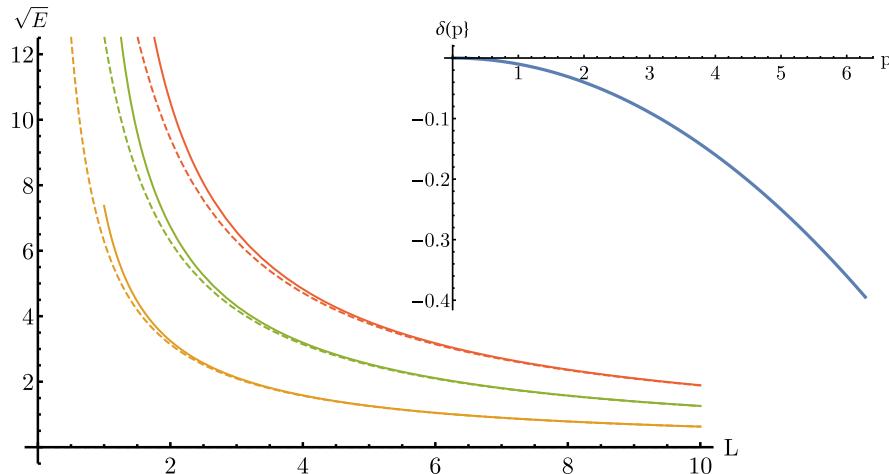
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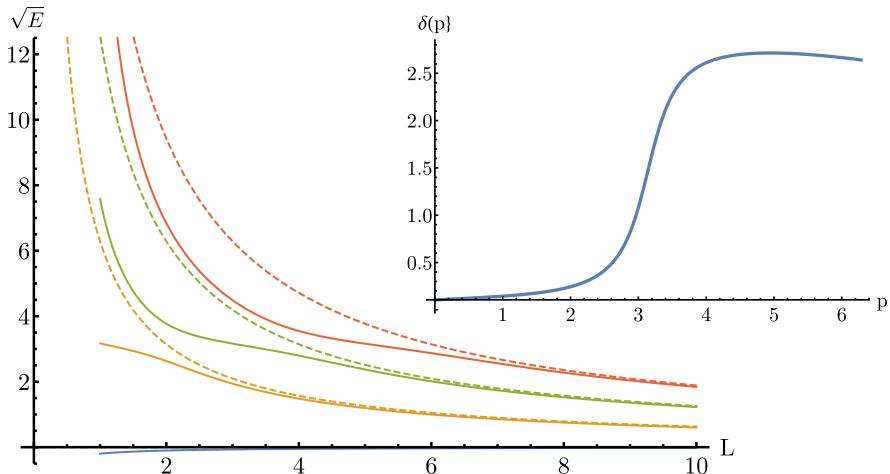
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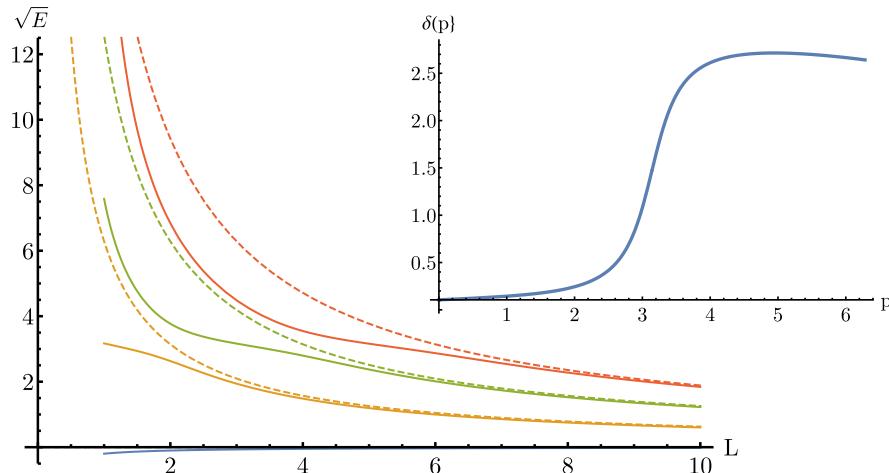
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- direct correspondence between phase-shift jump and avoided crossing only for two-body systems, but the spectrum signature **carries over to few-body systems**

Klos, SK et al., PRC 98 034004 (2018)

Finite-volume eigenvector continuation

Naive setup

- consider states $|\psi_{L_i}\rangle$ at volume L_i
- want to use these to extrapolate via EC to target volume $\textcolor{red}{L}_*$
- to that end, we'd consider Hamiltonian and norm matrices like this:

$$H_{ij} = \langle \psi_{L_i} | \textcolor{red}{H}_{\textcolor{red}{L}_*} | \psi_{L_j} \rangle$$

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However...

All the $|\psi_{L_i}\rangle$ are defined in different Hilbert spaces!

- parametric dependence now not only in the Hamiltonian...
- ...but inherent in the basis
- need to generalize EC to deal with this scenario

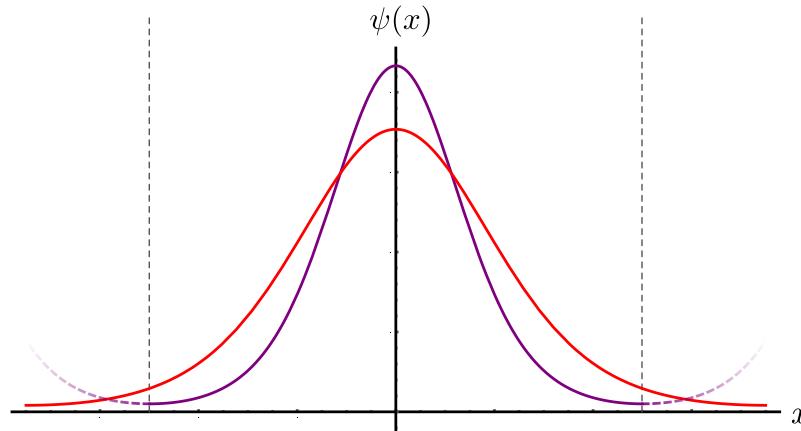
Dilatations

- consider a function f with period L , $f \in \mathcal{H}_L$
- this can be mapped onto a function with period L' by means of a **dilatation**:

$$(\mathcal{D}_{L,L'} f)(x) = \sqrt{\frac{L}{L'}} f\left(\frac{L}{L'} x\right)$$

- this provides a bijection between the Hilbert spaces \mathcal{H}_L and \mathcal{H}'_L

Example: periodic bound-state wavefunction



Periodic matching

- consider the union of all periodic Hilbert spaces: $\mathcal{H} = \bigcup_{L>0} \mathcal{H}_L$
 - ▶ **not a Hilbert space with normal pointwise addition**
- define a new operation for $f \in \mathcal{H}_L, g \in \mathcal{H}_{L'}, L' > L$:

$$(f \stackrel{\max}{+} g)(x) = (D_{L,L'} f)(x) + g(x)$$

- similarly, define inner products between different periodicities:

$$\langle f, g \rangle_{\max} = \langle D_{L,L'} f, g \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_{L'}} = \int_{-L'/2}^{L'/2} (D_{L,L'} f)(x)^* g(x) dx$$

- **together, these make \mathcal{H} a vector space with inner product**

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$$\langle f, g \rangle_{\max} = \langle D_{L,L'} f, g \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_{L'}} = \int_{-L'/2}^{L'/2} (D_{L,L'} f)(x)^* g(x) dx$$

- **together, these make \mathcal{H} a vector space with inner product**

Truncated periodic bases

- let $S_{L,N}$ be a truncated basis of **plane-wave states**
- then for $\psi \in S_{L,N}$ and $\psi' \in S_{L',N}$, the \mathbb{R}^N inner product of coefficient vectors is the same as $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\max}$

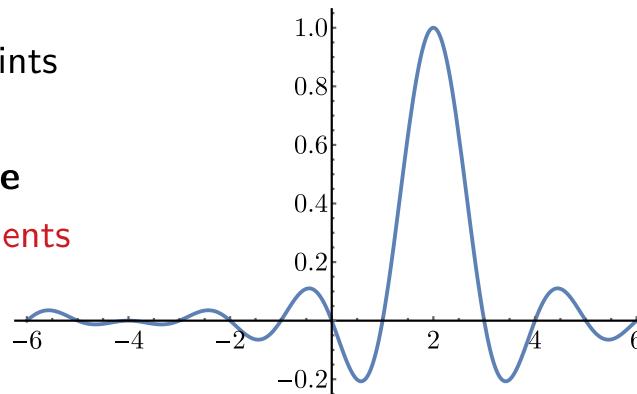
Discrete variable representation

Efficient calculation of several few-body energy levels

- use a **Discrete Variable Representation (DVR)**

well established in quantum chemistry, suggested for nuclear physics by Bulgac+Forbes, PRC **87** 051301 (2013)

- basis functions localized at grid points
- potential energy matrix diagonal
- **kinetic energy matrix very sparse**
 - ▶ precalculate only 1D matrix elements



- periodic boundary conditions \leftrightarrow plane waves as starting point
- **efficient implementation for large-scale calculations**
 - ▶ handle **arbitrary number of particles** (and spatial dimensions)
 - ▶ numerical framework **scales from laptop to HPC clusters**
 - ▶ recent extensions: GPU acceleration, separable interactions

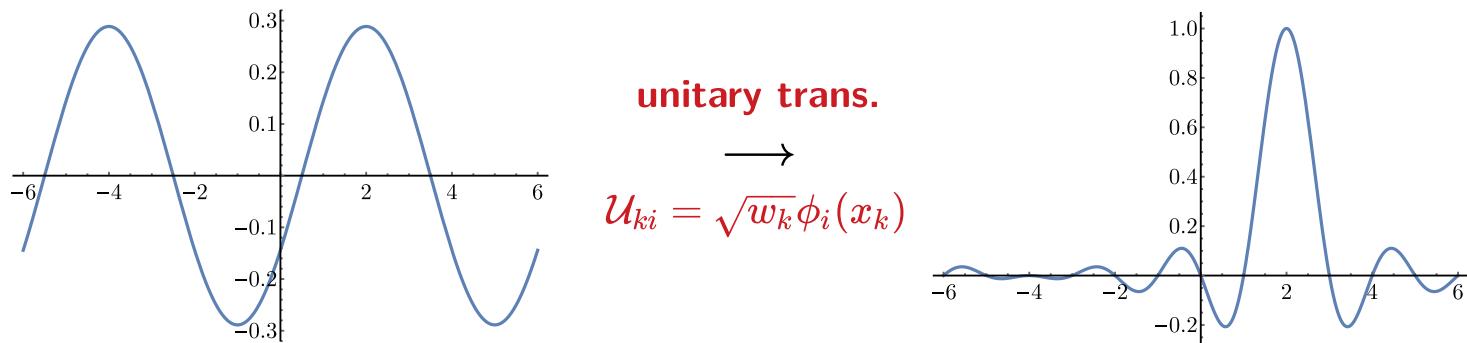
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DVR construction

Basic idea

- start with some initial basis; here: plane waves $\phi_i(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L}} \exp\left(i \frac{2\pi i}{L} x\right)$
- consider (x_k, w_k) such that $\sum_{k=-N/2}^{N/2-1} w_k \phi_i^*(x_k) \phi_j(x_k) = \delta_{ij}$

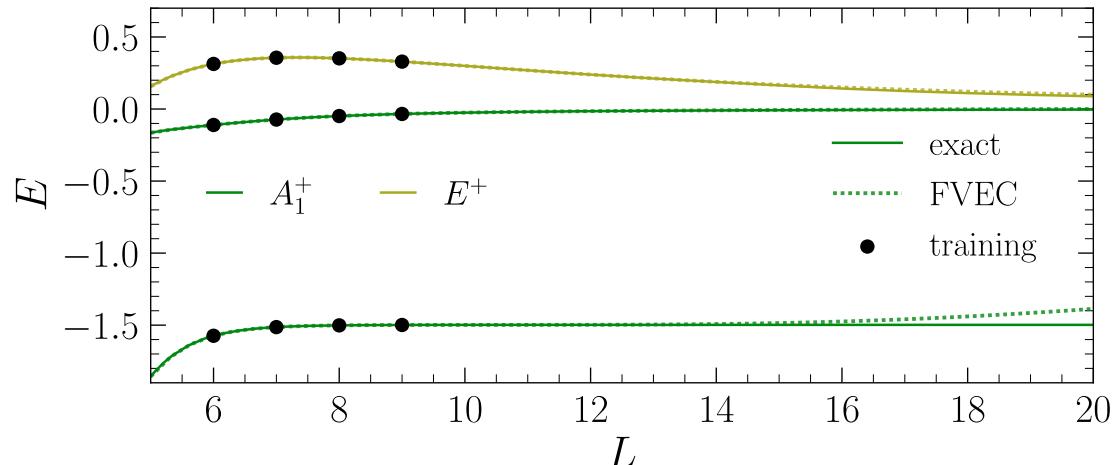


DVR states

- $\psi_k(x)$ localized at x_k , $\psi_k(x_j) = \delta_{kj} / \sqrt{w_k}$
- **note duality:** momentum mode $\phi_i \leftrightarrow$ spatial mode ψ_k

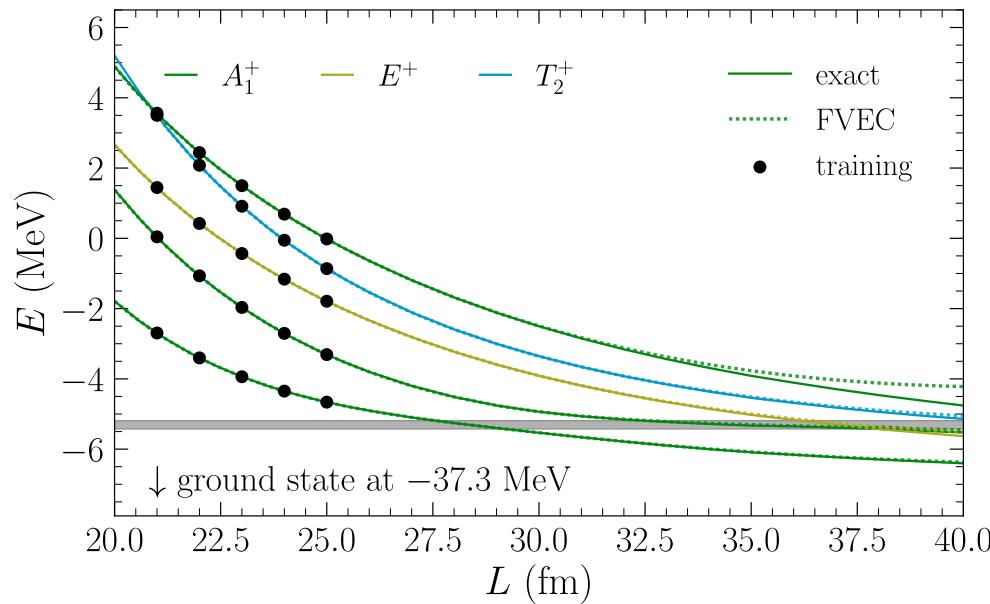
Two-body proof of concept

- consider a simple two-body system as first example
 - ▶ attractive Gaussian interaction: $V(r) = V_0 \exp\left(-\left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^2\right)$, $R = 2$, $V_0 = -4$
- **note: cubic finite volume breaks spherical symmetry**
 - ▶ angular momentum no longer good quantum number
 - ▶ instead: **cubic irreducible representations** $\Gamma \in A_1, A_2, E, T_1, T_2$
 - ▶ to good approximation, S-wave states $\sim A_1^+$ irrep. (positive parity)



Three-boson resonance

- three bosons with mass $m = 939.0$ MeV, potential = sum of two Gaussians
- **three-body resonance at**
 - ▶ $-5.31 - i0.12$ MeV (Blandon et al., PRA **75** 042508 (2007))
 - ▶ $-5.96 - i0.40$ MeV (Fedorov et al., FB Syst. **33** 153 (2003)) (potential S-wave projected!)



- avoided crossing well reproduced by FVEC calculation

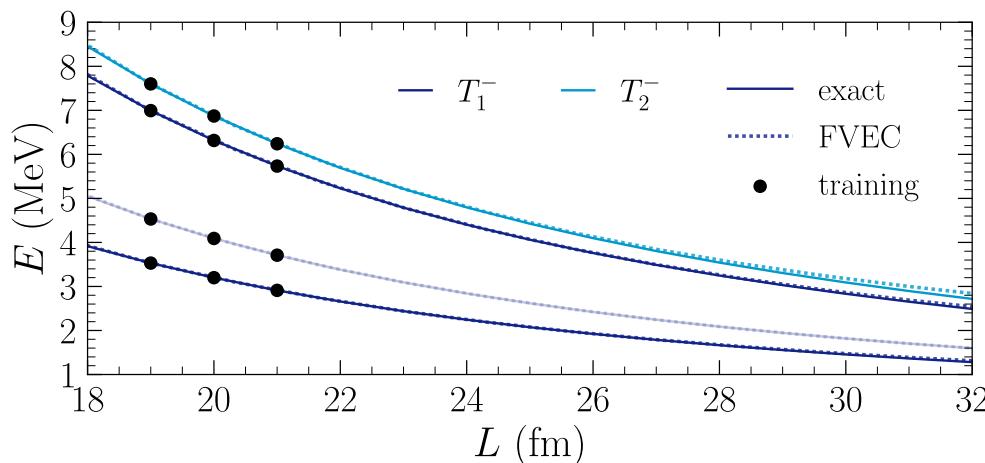
Three neutrons

- now consider three neutrons with Pionless EFT leading-order interaction

$$V(q, q') = C g(q)g(q') \quad , \quad g(q) = \exp(-q^{2n}/\Lambda^{2n})$$

- separable super-Gaussian form with $n = 2$ and $\Lambda = 250$ MeV
- efficiently implemented within DVR framework

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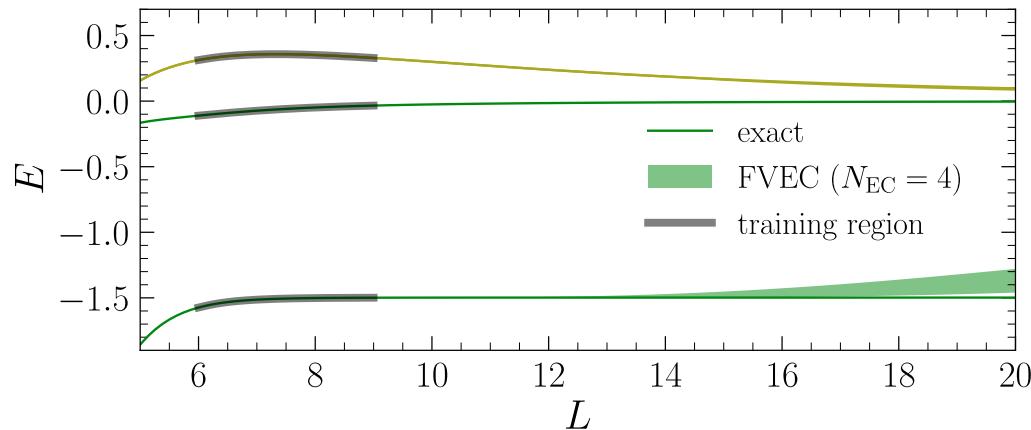


- total number of training data: $3 \times 8 = 24$ (partly covering cubic group multiplets)

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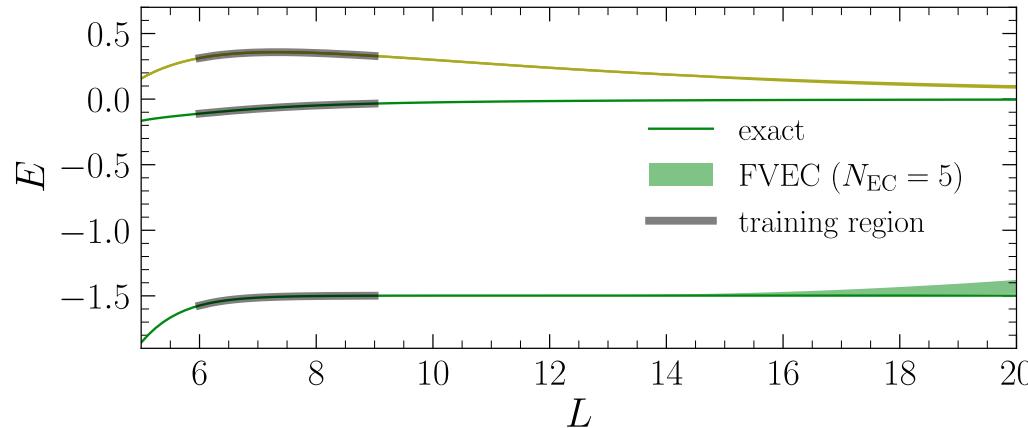
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Other applications and future directions

- **large-scale uncertainty quantification**
- **scattering calculations**
- **resonances**

[Ekström + Hagen, PRL 123 252501 \(2019\)](#)

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