## Applications of Renormalization Group Methods in Nuclear Physics - 5

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## Nuclear Landscape



## SciDAC-2 NUCLEI Project

- NUclear Computational Low Energy Initiative
- Collaboration of physicists, applied mathematicians, and computer scientists $\Longrightarrow$ builds on UNEDF project [unedf.org]
- US funding but many international collaborators
- See computingnuclei.org for highlights!



# NUCLEI 



## Explosion of many-body methods using microscopic input

- Ab initio (new and enhanced methods; microscopic NN+3NF)
- Stochastic: GFMC/AFDMC (new: with local EFT); lattice EFT
- Diagonalization: IT-NCSM
- Coupled cluster (CCSD(T), CR-CC(2,3), Bogoliubov, ...)
- IM-SRG (In-medium similarity renormalization group)
- Self-consistent Green's function
- Many-body perturbation theory
- Shell model (usual: empirical inputs)
- Effective interactions from coupled cluster, IM-SRG


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- Density functional theory
- Microscopic input, e.g., through density matrix expansion


## Do we really need all of these methods?

Compare to lattice QCD: Are all the different lattice actions needed?

- clover quarks on anisotropic lattices (mass spectrum)
- domain wall quarks (chiral symmetry)
- highly improved staggered quarks (high-precision extrapolations)
- and more!

Answer: yes!

- Complementary strengths
- Cross-check results
- Identify theory error bars


A frame from an animation illustrating the typical four-dimensional structure of gluon-field configurations used in describing the vacuum properties of QCD.

## Oxygen chain with 3 methods [from H. Hergert et al. (2013)]




- In-medium SRG, importance-truncated NCSM, coupled cluster
- Same Hamiltonian $\Longrightarrow$ test for consistency between methods
- Impact of three-nucleon force (3NF) on dripline
- Need precision experiment and theory


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- Probing $\alpha$ cluster structure of $0^{+}$states
- How does the triple- $\alpha$ reaction rate depend on the quark mass?
- Much more!
- Most recent:
${ }^{16} \mathrm{O}$ structure


## Spectral functions from self-consistent Green's function

[figures from C. Barbieri]


- One-body Greens function (or propagator) $g_{a b}(\omega)$ describes the motion of quasi-particles and quasi-holes
- Contains all the structure information probed by nucleon transfer
- Imaginary (absorptive) part of $g_{a b}(\omega)$ is the spectral function


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Effective two-body matrix elements

Single-particle energies (SPEs)


Hjorth-Jensen, Kuo, Osnes (1995)

## Chiral 3NFs meet the shell model [from J. Holt]

## 3N Forces for Valence-Shell Theories

Normal-ordered 3 N : contribution to valence neutron interactions

Effective two-body


Effective one-body


Combine with microscopic NN : eliminate empirical adjustments

## GFMC: Calculating observables in light nuclei

- Green's Function Monte Carlo (GFMC) energies are accurate but lowest-order theory of one-body currents (blue) disagrees with experiment (black)
- Including two-nucleon currents based on EFT (red) improves all predictions!


Electromagnetic Transitions


## Combining structure and reactions [P. Navratil et al.]

Resonating Group Method + NCSM:


- NCSM/RGM with SRG-N3LO NN potentials


Potential to address unresolved fusion research related questions:
${ }^{3} \mathrm{H}(d, n){ }^{4} \mathrm{He}$ fusion with polarized deuterium and/or tritium,

$$
{ }^{3} \mathrm{H}(d, n \gamma){ }^{4} \mathrm{He} \text { bremsstrahlung, }
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Electron screening at very low energies
P.N., S. Quaglioni, PRL 108, 042503 (2012)

- Ab initio fusion! In progress: SRG-evolved NNN interactions


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## Choose a basis and a reference state $\left|\Phi_{0}\right\rangle$

- The basis could be harmonic oscillators or Hartree-Fock or ...
- Anti-symmetric wave functions: A-particle Slater determinants
- Use second-quantization formalism: creation/destruction operators

- The reference state is filled, so no particles or holes: 0p-0h
- If one particle moved to a higher level, leaves hole behind: $1 p-1 h$
- Complete basis: Slater determinants from all 1p-1h, 2p-2h, ...


## In-medium SRG decoupling [slides from H. Hergert]

Consider SRG with $0 p-0 h$ reference state (instead of vacuum)


- Off-diagonal coupling between reference state and $1 \mathrm{p}-1 \mathrm{~h}, 2 \mathrm{p}-2 \mathrm{~h}$ basis states

- Energy calculation requires full basis
K. Tsukiyama, S. K. Bogner, and A. Schwenk, PRL 106, 222502 (2011)


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A new ab-initio structure method that can be applied directly and to generate shell-model effective interactions!

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## IM-SRG equations: Flow equations

0-body Flow


1-body Flow


## IM-SRG equations: Flow equation

2-body Flow


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## IM-SRG iteration: Nonperturbative resummation of MBPT

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Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 242501 (2013)

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- Variation of initial 3N cutoff only
- Diagnostics for chiral EFT interactions
- Dripline at $A=24$ is robust under variations


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## IM-SRG results for Calcium and Nickel chains [preliminary]

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## IM-SRG shell-model effective interaction [slides from H. Hergert]



arXiv: 1402.1407 [nucl-th], [figures by J. Holt]

- 3 N forces crucial
- IM-SRG improves on finite-order MBPT effective interaction
- Competitive with phenomenological calculations


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## IM-SRG normal ordering [slides from H. Hergert]

## Normal-Ordered Hamiltonian

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## IM-SRG equations: Choice of generator



$$
\begin{aligned}
\left\langle{ }_{h}^{p}\right| H|\Psi\rangle & =\sum_{k l} f_{l}^{k}\langle\Psi|: A_{p}^{h}:: A_{l}^{k}:|\Psi\rangle=-n_{h} \bar{p}_{p} f_{h}^{p} \\
\left\langle{ }_{h h^{\prime}}^{p}\right| H|\Psi\rangle & =\sum_{k l m n} \Gamma_{m n}^{k l}\langle\Psi|: A_{p p^{\prime}}^{h h^{\prime}}:: A_{m n}^{k l}:|\Psi\rangle \sim \Gamma_{h h^{\prime}}^{p p^{\prime}}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Off-Diagonal Hamiltonian \& Generator

$$
H^{o d} \equiv f^{o d}+\Gamma^{o d}, \quad f^{o d} \equiv \sum_{p h} f_{h}^{p}: A_{h}^{p}:+ \text { H.c. }, \quad \Gamma^{o d} \equiv \sum_{p p^{\prime} h h^{\prime}} \Gamma_{h h^{\prime}}^{p p^{\prime}}: A_{h h^{\prime}}^{p p^{\prime}}:+ \text { H.c. }
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