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Relativistic *ab initio* calculation in finite nuclear systems and its promotion to nuclear density functional

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Nuclear *ab initio* Calculations

Ab initio: from the beginning







Chiral effective field theory

At low energy, effective degree of freedom: nucleon and pion





E. Epelbaum, H. Krebs, and U.-G. Meißner, PRL 115, 122301 (2015)

Nuclear *ab initio* Calculations

- Earlier (realistic) nucleon-nucleon interactions:
 - Reid 93 V. G. J. Stoks, et al., PRC 49, 2950 (1994)
 - Argonne v18 R. B. Wiringa, V. G. J. Stoks, and R. Schiavilla, PRC 51, 38 (1995)
 - CD Bonn R. Machleidt, PRC 63, 024001 (2001)
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Nuclear *ab initio* calculations: realistic NN interaction + many-body framework.

Non-relativistic

- Brueckner-Hartree-Fock (BHF) theory B. Day, RMP 39, 719 (1967)
- Self-consistent Green's function W. Dickhoff and C. Barbieri, PPNP 52, 377 (2004)
- Nuclear lattice effective field theory D. Lee, PPNP 63, 117 (2009)
- No core shell model B. R. Barrett, P. Navrátil, J. P. Vary, PPNP 69, 131 (2013)
- Coupled-cluster theory G. Hagen, et al., *Rep. Prog. Phys.* **77**, 096302 (2014)
- Quantum Monte Carlo method J. Carlson, et al., RMP 87, 1067 (2015)
- In medium similarity renormalization group H. Hergert, et al., Phys. Rep. 621, 165 (2016)

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Relativistic

• Relativistic Brueckner-Hartree-Fock (RBHF) theory M.R. Anastasio, et al., Phys. Rep. 100, 327 (1983)

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Hartree-Fock Theory

It is extremely difficult to solve exactly the nuclear many-body Hamiltonian, approximation is unavoidable.

$$H\Psi = E\Psi$$
 $H = T + V(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}')$

$$\Psi_a = \sum_i C_i^{(a)} \Phi_i \qquad \Phi_i(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \dots, \mathbf{r}_A) = (A!)^{-1/2} \mathscr{A}(\phi_{i_1}(\mathbf{r}_1)\phi_{i_2}(\mathbf{r}_2) \dots \phi_{i_A}(\mathbf{r}_A))$$

Dimension explodes easily, N^A

Hartree-Fock theory

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$$\Psi_0 \approx \Phi_0 = (A!)^{-1/2} \mathscr{A}(\phi_1(\mathbf{r}_1)\phi_2(\mathbf{r}_2)\dots\phi_A(\mathbf{r}_A))$$

Dimension, N

$$\frac{\delta \langle \Phi_0 | H | \Phi_0 \rangle}{\delta \phi} = 0 \qquad (T+U)\phi_a = e_a \phi_a$$
$$U(\mathbf{r}) = \int d\mathbf{r}' V(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') \sum_{a=1}^A |\phi_a(\mathbf{r}')|^2 + \text{ exchange term}$$

Problem of Hartree-Fock in Nuclear Physics

Hartree-Fock ground state energy



Inspiration from NN Scattering

Lippmann-Schwinger equation

$$|\psi^{(\pm)}\rangle = |\phi\rangle + \frac{1}{E - H_0 \pm i\varepsilon} V |\psi^{(\pm)}\rangle \qquad H = H_0 + V \qquad H_0 = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2m}$$

H H_0

In the form of T-matrix

$$T = V + V \frac{1}{E - H_0 + i\varepsilon} T \qquad V |\psi^{(+)}\rangle = T |\phi\rangle$$

Born series

$$T = V + V \frac{1}{E - H_0 + i\varepsilon} V + V \frac{1}{E - H_0 + i\varepsilon} V \frac{1}{E - H_0 + i\varepsilon} V + \cdots$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{V}{V_i} \left(i = \frac{V_i}{V_i} \left(i + \frac{V_i}{V_i} + \frac{V_i}{V_$$

If one calculates the T-matrix order by order, the result diverges; if one solve the Lippmann-Schwinger equation exactly, the correct result is obtained.

Re-examine of Hartree-Fock Theory

Decompose the full many-body Hamiltonian

$$H = H_0 + H_1 \qquad \qquad H_0 = T + U, \quad H_1 = V - U$$

Hartree-Fock

Hartree-Fock equation

$$(T+U)\phi_a = e_a\phi_a$$

$$\Phi_0 = (A!)^{-1/2} \mathscr{A}(\phi_1(\mathbf{r}_1)\phi_2(\mathbf{r}_2)\dots\phi_A(\mathbf{r}_A))$$

Many-body perturbation



K. A. Brueckner, C. A. Levinson, and H. M. Mahmoud, Phys. Rev. 95, 217 (1954)

 $|ml\rangle\langle am|V|kc\rangle\langle kl|V|ab\rangle$

Brueckner Theory



$$\overset{a}{\underset{c}{\longrightarrow}} \overset{G}{\underset{d}{\longrightarrow}} \overset{b}{\underset{c}{\longrightarrow}} = \overset{a}{\underset{c}{\longrightarrow}} \overset{V}{\underset{d}{\longrightarrow}} \overset{b}{\underset{c}{\longrightarrow}} \overset{a}{\underset{d}{\longrightarrow}} \overset{a}{\underset{c}{\longrightarrow}} \overset{a}{\underset{d}{\longrightarrow}} \overset{a}{\underset{d}{\overset{a}{\underset{d}{\longrightarrow}}} \overset{a}{\underset{d}{\overset}} \overset{a}{\underset{d}{\overset}}$$



$$\langle ab|G(W)|cd\rangle = \langle ab|V|cd\rangle + \sum_{mn} \langle ab|V|mn\rangle \frac{Q(m,n)}{W-e_m-e_n} \langle mn|G(W)|cd\rangle$$
 Dimension: N²

H. A. Bethe and J. Goldsteon, Proc. R. Soc. A 238, 551 (1957)

• *Q* is the Pauli operator which forbids the states being scattered below Fermi surface.

$$Q = \begin{cases} 1, & e_m, e_n > e_F \\ 0, & e_m \le e_F \text{ or } e_n \le e_F \end{cases}$$

• *W* is the so-called starting energy.

From V-Matrix to G-Matrix

Transform all the V-matrix diagram to G-matrix diagram:



The G-matrices have small numerical values and are suitable to be used in perturbative expansion.

- Expansion in powers of G is not converging, but converges in numbers of independent hole lines. R. Rajaraman, Phys. Rev. 131, 1244 (1963)
- Reorganize the diagrams according to the number of independent hole lines:



Hartree-Fock equation in complete basis,

$$\sum_{j} (T_{ij} + U_{ij}) D_{ja} = e_a D_{ia}$$

$$U_{ij} = \sum_{c=1}^{A} \langle ic | \bar{G}(W) | jc \rangle$$

where D are the expansion coefficients:

$$|a\rangle = \sum_{i} D_{ia} |i\rangle.$$

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G-matrix is obtained by solving Bethe-Goldstone equation.

BHF total energy

$$\frac{\mathbf{HF}}{a\mathbf{O}^{--}\mathbf{O}_{b}} + \mathbf{O}^{--}\mathbf{O}_{b} + \mathbf{O}^{--}\mathbf{O}$$



together with exchange term,

$$E = \sum_{a}^{A} \langle a | T | a \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab}^{A} \langle ab | \bar{G}(W) | ab \rangle.$$

Brueckner-Hartree-Fock Theory

- Systematic investigation of nuclear matter saturation property with BHF: Coester line F. Coester, et al., PRC 1, 769 (1970).
- Similar situation in finite nuclei.

BHF for ¹⁶O

¹⁶ O	Bonn C	Bonn B	Bonn A	Exp.
E/A (MeV)	-4.49	-5.35	-6.56	-7.98
r _c (fm)	2.465	2.380	2.291	2.70

H. Müther, R. Brockmann, and R. Machleidt, PRC 42, 1981 (1990)



R. Brockmann and R. Machleidt, PRC 42, 1965 (1990)

Variational methods (with correlation function) were developed, but the results were still not in agreement with the data.

R. Jastrow, PR 98, 1479 (1955),

- J. W. Clark and E. Feenberg, PR 113, 388 (1959),
- V. R. Pandhanpande and R. B. Wiringa, NPA 266, 269 (1976)

Crisis in Nuclear-Matter Theory

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UPDATE ON THE CRISIS IN NUCLEAR-MATTER THEORY: A SUMMARY OF THE TRIESTE CONFERENCE

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itself. The notion that nuclear saturation can be explained in terms of a nonrelativistic system of nucleons alone, interacting by two-body forces fitted to scattering data, would be in doubt (crisis II). The contributions to this meeting PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS 29 JULY 2016

PRL 117, 052501 (2016)

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Radii and Binding Energies in Oxygen Isotopes: A Challenge for Nuclear Forces



Relativistic Brueckner-Hartree-Fock Theory

RBHF for nuclear matter

M. R. Anastasio, L. S. Celenza, and C. M. Shakin, PRL 45, 2096 (1980)

- C. J. Horowitz and B. D. Serot, PLB **137**, 287 (1984)
- R. Brockmann and R. Machleidt, PLB 149, 283 (1984)

B. ter Haar and R. Malfliet, PRL 56, 1237 (1986)



Equation of state of symmetric nuclear matter by BHF and RBHF with Bonn A, B, C interactions

R. Brockmann and R. Machleidt, *PRC* **42**, 1965 (1990)

Relativistic Effect

Relativistic effect in nuclear physics

G. E. Brown, W. Weise, G. Baym and J. Speth, Comments Nucl. Part. Phys. 17, 39 (1987)

$$\phi_{\mathbf{k},s}(\mathbf{x}) = u(\mathbf{k},s)e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \quad (\boldsymbol{\gamma}\cdot\mathbf{k} + M + U)u(\mathbf{k},s) = \gamma^0 E_{\mathbf{k}}u(\mathbf{k},s)$$

Free space, U = 0 Nuclear matter, $U(\mathbf{k}) = U_s(\mathbf{k}) + \gamma^{\mu}U_{\mu}(\mathbf{k})$



$$\langle \frac{\mathbf{k}^2}{2M} \rangle \approx 23 \left(\frac{\rho}{\rho_0}\right)^{2/3} \text{ MeV} \qquad \delta E_{\mathbf{k}} \approx \left(\frac{U_s}{M}\right)^2 \frac{\mathbf{k}^2}{2M} \to \frac{\delta E}{A} \approx 4.2 \left(\frac{\rho}{\rho_0}\right)^{8/3} \text{ MeV}$$
$$M \sim 939 \text{ MeV} \qquad \langle U_s \rangle \approx -400 \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \text{ MeV}$$

Relativistic Effect

Relativistic origin of 3N interaction

$$\delta E_{\mathbf{k}} \approx \left(\frac{U_s}{M}\right)^2 \frac{\mathbf{k}^2}{2M}$$

G. E. Brown, W. Weise, G. Baym and J. Speth, Comments Nucl. Part. Phys. 17, 39 (1987)



Equation of state of nuclear matter calculated by

- BHF with Bonn B interaction (BnB BHF)
- RBHF with Bonn B interaction (BnB DBHF) same interaction, different frameworks
- BHF with 2N interaction N3LO (N3LO BHF)
- BHF with 2N interaction N3LO + 3N interaction N2LO (N3LO+3NF)
 same (nonrelativistic) framework, different

interactions

F. Sammarruca, et al., PRC 86, 054317 (2012)

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Realistic Nucleon-Nucleon Interaction

Starting point: Bonn potential R. Machleidt, Adv. Nucl. Phys. 19, 189 (1989)
The interaction Lagrangians are defined as

$$\begin{split} \mathscr{L}_{NNpv} &= -\frac{f_{ps}}{m_{ps}} \bar{\psi} \gamma^5 \gamma^{\mu} \psi \partial_{\mu} \varphi^{(ps)}, \\ \mathscr{L}_{NNs} &= g_s \bar{\psi} \psi \varphi^{(s)}, \\ \mathscr{L}_{NNv} &= -g_v \bar{\psi} \gamma^{\mu} \psi \varphi^{(v)}_{\mu} - \frac{f_v}{4M} \bar{\psi} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi \left(\partial_{\mu} \varphi^{(v)}_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu} \varphi^{(v)}_{\mu} \right) \,. \end{split}$$

- Bosons to be exchanged include σ, δ (scalar); ω, ρ (vector); η, π (pseudovector).
- A monopole-type form factor is attached to each vertex. $\frac{\Lambda_{\alpha}^2 m_{\alpha}^2}{\Lambda_{\alpha}^2 + \mathbf{q}^2}$
- Coupling constants are determined by NN scattering and deuteron properties R. Machleidt, *Adv. Nucl. Phys.* **19**, 189 (1989).

Relativistic Hamiltonian

Hamiltonian in second quantized form

$$H = \sum_{ab} \langle a|T|b\rangle b_a^{\dagger} b_b + \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \sum_{abcd} \langle ab|V_i|cd\rangle b_a^{\dagger} b_b^{\dagger} b_d b_c,$$

matrix elements are defined as

 $\Gamma_s = g_s,$

$$\langle a|T|b\rangle = \int d^3x \bar{\psi}_a(\boldsymbol{x}) \left(-i\boldsymbol{\gamma}\cdot\nabla + M\right)\psi_b(\boldsymbol{x}), \\ \langle ab|V_i|cd\rangle = \int d^3x_1 d^3x_2 \bar{\psi}_a(\boldsymbol{x}_1)\bar{\psi}_b(\boldsymbol{x}_2)\Gamma_i(1,2)D_i(\boldsymbol{x}_1,\boldsymbol{x}_2)\psi_c(\boldsymbol{x}_1)\psi_d(\boldsymbol{x}_2).$$

interaction vertex $\Gamma_{pv} = \frac{f_{ps}}{m_{ps}} \gamma^5 \gamma^i \partial_i,$

propagator

$$D_{\alpha}(x_1, x_2) = \pm \int \frac{d^4q}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{m_{\alpha}^2 - q^2} e^{-iq(x_1 - x_2)}$$

$$\Gamma^{\mu}_{v} = g_{v} \gamma^{\mu} + \frac{f_{v}}{2M} \sigma^{i\mu} \partial_{i}.$$

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Dirac spinor

$$|a\rangle = \frac{1}{r} \left(\begin{array}{c} F_{n_a \kappa_a}(r) \Omega_{j_a m_a}^{l_a}(\theta, \varphi) \\ i G_{n_a \kappa_a}(r) \Omega_{j_a m_a}^{\tilde{l}_a}(\theta, \varphi) \end{array} \right),$$

$$\Omega_{jm}^{l}(\theta,\varphi)=\sum_{m_{l}m_{s}}C_{lm_{l}\frac{1}{2}m_{s}}^{jm}Y_{lm_{l}}(\theta,\varphi)\chi_{m_{s}}.$$

RBHF Equations

Hartree-Fock equation in complete basis,

$$\sum_{j} (T_{ij} + U_{ij}) D_{ja} = e_a D_{ia}$$
$$U_s, U_v, U_{pv}, U_t$$

$$U_{ij} = \sum_{c=1}^{A} \langle ic | \bar{G}(W) | jc \rangle$$

where *D* are the expansion coefficients:

$$|a\rangle = \sum_{i} D_{ia} |i\rangle.$$

G-matrix is obtained by solving Bethe-Goldstone equation.

$$\langle ab|G(W)|cd\rangle = \langle ab|V|cd\rangle + \sum_{mn} \langle ab|V|mn\rangle \frac{Q(m,n)}{W - e_m - e_n} \langle mn|G(W)|cd\rangle$$

➢ RBHF total energy



Solution of Bethe-Goldstone Equation

One common way to solve the Bethe-Goldstone equation in BHF

$$\langle ab|G(W)|cd\rangle = \langle ab|V|cd\rangle + \sum_{mn} \langle ab|V|mn\rangle \frac{Q(m,n)}{W-e_m-e_n} \langle mn|G(W)|cd\rangle$$
 Dimension: N²

center-of-mass coordinate

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{K} &= \mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 \quad \mathbf{k} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{k}_1 - \mathbf{k}_2) \quad \mathbf{R} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{r}_1 + \mathbf{r}_2) \quad \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2 \\ \text{plane wave} & \text{harmonic oscillator} \\ e^{i\mathbf{k}_1 \cdot \mathbf{r}_1} e^{i\mathbf{k}_2 \cdot \mathbf{r}_2} &= e^{i\mathbf{K} \cdot \mathbf{R}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}} & \left\langle n_1 l_1 n_2 l_2 | NLnl \right\rangle \\ \text{I. Talmi, Helvetica Physica Acta 25, 185 (1952)} \\ \mathbf{K}, \mathbf{R}, NL \quad \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{r}, nl \quad \mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{r}_1, n_1 l_1 \quad \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{r}_2, n_2 l_2 \end{split}$$

Lippmann-Schwinger equation basis transformation to harmonic oscillator $\langle k'|T(W;NL)|k\rangle_{JST} \rightarrow \langle n'l'|T(W;NL)|nl\rangle_{JST}$

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{correction for Pauli principle} & \text{basis transformation to rest coordinate} \\ & \rightarrow \langle n'l' | G(W;NL) | nl \rangle_{JST} \rightarrow \langle n'_1 l'_1, n'_2 l'_2 | G(W;NL) | n_1 l_1, n_2 l_2 \rangle_{JT} \end{array}$

Not for relativistic.

Solution of Bethe-Goldstone Equation

We solve exactly in the original form of the BG equation in relativistic Brueckner-Hartree-Fock calculations:

$$\langle ab|G(W)|cd\rangle_J = \langle ab|V|cd\rangle_J + \sum_{mn} \langle ab|V|mn\rangle_J \frac{Q(m,n)}{W - e_m - e_n} \langle mn|G(W)|cd\rangle_J$$

Single-particle basis and example cut-offs with $l_{cut} = 15$, $e_{cut} = 1100$ MeV, $e_{Dcut} = -1700$ MeV.



➤ Total energy and charge radius of ¹⁶O as a function of energy cut-off. (Centerof-mass motion was not removed) $\langle ab|G(W)|cd \rangle = \langle ab|V|cd \rangle + \sum \langle ab|V|mn \rangle \frac{Q(m,n)}{W - \varepsilon_m - \varepsilon_n} \langle mn|G(W)|cd \rangle.$

Rough estimation of the dimension of |ab>: $(20 \times 2 \times 20)^2 = 640,000 \text{ (symmetry)} \rightarrow \approx 60,000$ $l \quad s \quad n$ For one RBHF calculation:

 Storage: 256 GB
 CPU time: 224 h

 Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU E5-4627 v2 @ 3.30GHz

S. Shen, *et al.*, Chin. Phys. Lett. **33**, 102103 (2016) S. Shen, *et al.*, PRC **96**, 014316 (2017)

• Satisfying convergence is achieved near $\varepsilon_{cut} = 1100$ MeV. From $\varepsilon_{cut} = 1100$ MeV to $\varepsilon_{cut} = 1300$ MeV, E changes 0.79 MeV, r_c changes 0.005 fm.

Total energies and charge radii of ¹⁶O calculated by RBHF and BHF with Bonn A, B, and C interactions.
 S. Shen, et al., Chin. Phys. Lett. 33, 102103 (2016)
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S. Shen, *et al.*, *PRC* **96**, 014316 (2017) For BHF: H. Müther, R. Brockmann, and R. Machleidt, *PRC* **42**, 1981 (1990).

- Relativistic effect is important to improve the agreement with the data.
- Binding energy and charge radius given by Bonn interactions are smaller than experimental data.

Different ab initio Methods for ¹⁶O

Energy, charge radius, matter radius, and π1p spin-orbit splitting in ¹⁶O calculated by RBHF with Bonn A/B/C, in comparison with data, BHF with Bonn A H. Müther, R. Brockmann, and R. Machleidt, PRC 42, 1981 (1990) and with AV18 B. Hu, et al., PRC 95, 034321 (2017), No Core Shell Model (NCSM) R. Roth, et al., PRL 107, 072501 (2011), Coupled-Cluster (CC) G. Hagen, et al., PRC 80, 021306 (2009), and Nuclear Lattice Effective Field Theory (NLEFT) T. Lähde, et al., PLB 732, 110 (2014).

	E (MeV)	r _c (fm)	r _m (fm)	$\Delta E_{\pi 1 p}^{ls}$ (MeV)
Exp.	-127.6	2.70	2.54	6.3
RBHF, Bonn A	-120.2	2.53	2.39	5.3
RBHF, Bonn B	-107.1	2.59	2.45	4.5
RBHF, Bonn C	-98.0	2.64	2.50	3.9
BHF, Bonn A	-105.0	2.29	-	7.5
BHF, AV18	-134.2	-	1.92	13.0
NCSM, N ³ LO	-119.7(6)	-	-	-
CC, N ³ LO	-121.0	-	2.30	-
NLEFT, N ² LO	-121.4(5)	-	-	-

• The results of RBHF are comparable to other state-of-the-art ab initio results.

Different ab initio Methods for ⁴⁰Ca and ⁴⁸Ca

Energies, charge radii, matter radii, and π1d spin-orbit splittings of ⁴⁰Ca and ⁴⁸Ca calculated by RBHF with Bonn A, comparing with data, CC with N³LO G.
 Hagen, et al., *PRC* 82, 034330 (2010) and with AV18 G. Hagen, et al., *PRC* 76, 044305 (2007), BHF B. Hu, et al., *PRC* 95, 034321 (2017), NCSM R. Roth, et al., *PRL* 99, 092501 (2007).

	⁴⁰ Ca			⁴⁸ Ca			
	E (MeV)	r _c (fm)	r _m (fm)	$\Delta E_{\pi 1d}^{ls}$ (MeV)	E (MeV)	r _c (fm)	$\Delta E_{\pi 1d}^{ls}$ (MeV)
Exp.	-342.1	3.48	-	6.6 ± 2.5	-416.1	3.48	4.7
RBHF, Bonn A	-306.1	3.22	3.10	5.9	-357.3	3.25	2.7
CC, N ³ LO	-345.2	-	-	-	-396.5	-	-
CC, AV18	-502.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
BHF, AV18	-552.1	-	2.20	24.9	-	-	-
NCSM, AV18	-461.8	-	2.27	-	-	-	-
For RBHF	Storage: 1100 GB CPU time: 1720 h			Storage: 1800 GB CPU time: 4900 h			

- Results for ⁴⁰Ca and ⁴⁸Ca given by RBHF are similar as for ¹⁶O.
- CC with N³LO reproduce the binding energy well, while other non-relativistic calculations give too much binding and too small radii.

Local Density Approximation

By fitting to RBHF results in nuclear matter at each density, an effective, density-dependent relativistic Hartree(-Fock) interaction can be determined.

RBHF

RH/RHF

E. van Dalen and H. Müther, PRC 84, 024320 (2010).

Such effective interaction can be used to study finite nuclei.

Local Density Approximation

Energy per nucleon and charge radius of 160 and 40Ca by self-consistent RBHF calculations (red circles), in comparison with results with LDA. All calculations using the same Bonn A interaction.

 Large uncertainty exists in the LDA, and self-consistent RBHF calculation provides a firm benchmark.

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Summary for RBHF Part

Summary

- □ Relativistic Brueckner-Hartree-Fock equations have been solved for finite nuclei.
- □ ¹⁶O is taken as an example to show that the convergence is achieved near ε_{cut} = 1.1 GeV.
- □ ¹⁶O, ⁴⁰Ca and ⁴⁸Ca have been studied with Bonn A interaction. The resulting binding energies and charge radii have been improved comparing with nonrelativistic case.

Perspectives

- □ To use state-of-the-art chiral NN interaction.
- □ To go beyond two hole-line expansion.
- To consider relativistic 3N interaction.

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S. Shen, G. Colo', and X. Roca-Maza, arXiv:1810.09691

Nuclear Energy Density Functional

Nuclear energy density functional (EDF) is one of the most important tools in nuclear physics M. Bender and P.-h. Heenen, Rev. Mod. Phys. 75, 121 (2003)

- Open questions still exist regarding current functionals:
 - Symmetry energy M. Baldo and G. Burgio, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 91, 203 (2016)
 - Tensor force H. Sagawa and G. Colò, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 76, 76 (2014)
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Tensor Force

> Experimental facts for tensor force in nucleon-nucleon (NN) interaction:

- Quadrupole moment of deuteron
- Nonvanishing transition amplitude from
 L = J 1 to L = J + 1 in NN scattering
- Tensor force in EDF: still in debate.

G. Colò, et al., Phys. Lett. B 646, 227 (2007)

R. Machleidt, Adv. Nucl. Phys. 19, 189 (1989)

$$V_T = f(r)S_{12},$$

$$S_{12} = 3(\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \hat{r})(\vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot \hat{r}) - \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2$$

A. V. Afanasjev, E. Litvinova, Phys. Rev. C 92, 044317 (2015)

ab initio Calculations for Neutron Drops

Neutron drop is an ideal system composed of multi-neutron in an external field.

• Simple, can be accessed by many ab initio methods S. Gandolfi, J. Carlson, and

S. Pieper, PRL 106, 012501 (2011), P. Maris, et al., PRC 87, 054318 (2013).

- An ideal environment for studying neutron rich system.
- Provide information for nuclear density functional, such as spin-orbit splitting B. S. Pudliner, *et al.*, *PRL* **76**, 2416 (1996) or tensor force.

Energies of Neutron Drops

Total energies in units of hωN^{4/3} for N-neutron drops calculated by RBHF theory using Bonn A, B, C interactions, in comparison with quantum Monte-Carlo (QMC) and no-core shell model (NCSM) calculations S. Gandolfi, J. Carlson, and S. Pieper,

PRL 106, 012501 (2011), P. Maris, et al., PRC 87, 054318 (2013), H. D. Potter, et al., PLB 739, 445 (2014).

• Energies given by RBHF with Bonn A are close to JISP16, AV8'+IL7 (for N < 14).

Spin-Orbit Splitting

Spin-orbit (SO) splittings of 1p, 1d, 1f, and 2p for N-neutron drops calculated by RBHF theory using Bonn A interaction, in comparison with various relativistic functionals without tensor force.

- The splitting decreases as the next higher $j_{>}' = l' + 1/2$ orbit is filled, similar as the effect of tensor force between neutron and proton.
- Such pattern is not obvious in functionals without tensor force.

Spin-Orbit Splitting

Spin-orbit splitting for N-neutron drops calculated by RBHF theory using Bonn A interaction, in comparison with relativistic functional with tensor force: PKO1 W. Long, N. Van Giai, and J. Meng, PLB 640, 150 (2006).

different strength of pion coupling characterized by factor λ .

- PKO1 shows similar pattern of SO splitting as RBHF with Bonn A.
- The tensor force induced by pion coupling has large impact on the evolution of SO splitting.
- When the strength of PKO1 pion coupling is enlarged by a factor of 1.3, the results are similar as RBHF.

- New Skyrme functional SAMi-T was developed, with guidance of RBHF calculations for neutron(-proton) drops.
- > Data to be fitted:
 - binding energies and charge radii of ⁴⁰Ca, ⁴⁸Ca, ⁹⁰Zr, ¹³²Sn, and ²⁰⁸Pb.
 - Spin-orbit splittings of ⁴⁰Ca, ⁹⁰Zr, ²⁰⁸Pb.
 - Relative change of SO splittings of neutron-proton drops (N=20,Z=20) to (Z=20,N=28)
 - Total energy of neutron drops (N=8, 20, 40, 50).

Pseudodata : Spin-Orbit Splittings

Neutron and proton 1p and 1d spin-orbit splittings of neutron-proton drops calculated by SAMi-T, in comparison with results of SAMi functional and RBHF theory using the Bonn A interaction.

 The relative change of SO splittings in neutron-proton drops by RBHF can be well fitted by SAMi-T.

Spin-Dipole Resonance

Spin-dipole resonance strength function in the τ- channel for ²⁰⁸Pb calculated by SAMi-T with Skyrme-Hartree-Fock plus random phase approximation.

Exp. T. Wakasa, et al., Phys. Rev. C 85, 064606 (2012)

- Results of SAMi-T without tensor is similar to those of SAMi.
- Tensor force is important in improving the description of J^π = 1⁻ channel, and improving the total SDR. Consistent with the finding in C. L. Bai, *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **105**, 072501 (2010)

Summary

- Neutron drops have been studied by RBHF, a systematic and specific pattern due to the effects of the tensor forces is found in the evolution of spin-orbit splittings.
- New Skyrme functional SAMi-T has been developed with tensor force guided by RBHF calculations for neutron-proton drops.
- □ Besides ground state properties, the excited properties like Gamow-Teller resonance and spin-dipole resonance can be well described by SAMi-T, especially the description for SDR is improved by the tensor force.

Perspectives

- □ To study more observables with SAMi-T and see the effects of tensor force.
- □ To consider effect of particle-vibration coupling.

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