

Emergence of ${}^4\text{H}(J^\pi = 1^-)$ resonance in contact theories (Phys. Lett. B 840 (2023) 137840)

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Introduction

LO π EFT

$$\hat{V} = \sum_{ST} C_0^{ST} \sum_{i < j} e^{-\frac{\Lambda^2}{4} r_{ij}^2}$$

$$\hat{W} = D_0 \sum_{i < j < k} \sum_{cyc} e^{-\frac{\Lambda^2}{4} (r_{ij}^2 + r_{ik}^2)}$$

Impressive amount of various studies for $A \leq 3$ at LO π EFT and its higher orders.

At this conference :

LO π EFT for hypernuclei (talk of L. Contessi)

Few-nucleon scattering at NLO π EFT for $A \leq 4$ (talk of B. Bazak)

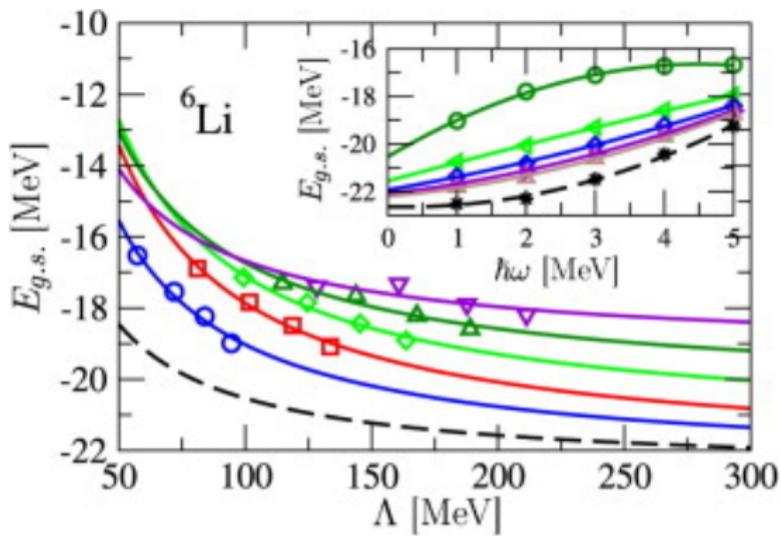
S -wave n^4 He scattering at NLO π EFT (poster of M. Bagnarol)

Getting LQCD calculations outside the box (poster of T. Weiss-Attia)

... What about p -shell or even heavier nuclear systems ?

LO $\not\! EFT$ calculation of ${}^6\text{Li}$

(I. Stetcu, B. R. Barrett, and U. van Kolck, Phys. Lett. B 653 (2007) 358)



→ NCSM calculation

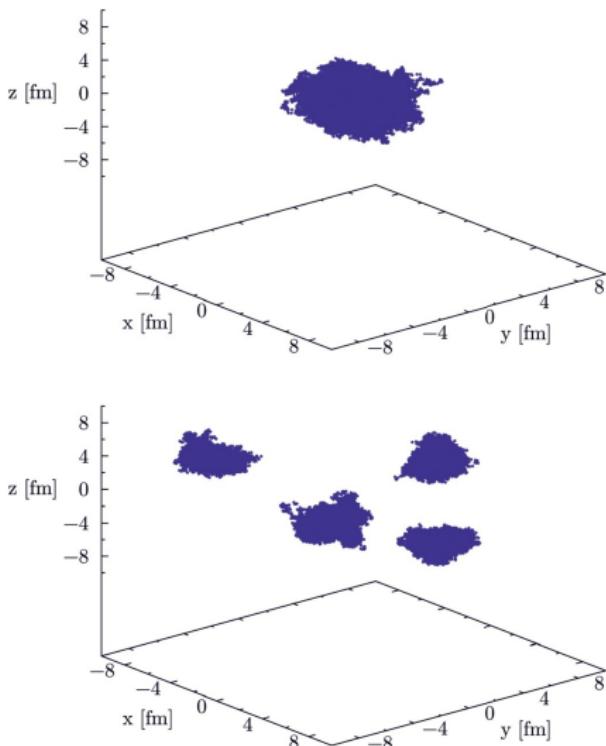
→ 3 LECs in LO $\not\! EFT$ fitted such that exp. ground state $B({}^2\text{H})$, $B({}^3\text{H})$, and $B({}^4\text{He})$ are reproduced

→ for large Λ $B({}^6\text{Li})$ estimated as ~ 23 MeV

LO $\not\! EFT$ calculation of ^{16}O

(L. Contessi, A. Lovato, F. Pederiva, A. Roggero, J. Kirscher, and U. van Kolck, Phys. Lett. B 772 (2017) 839)

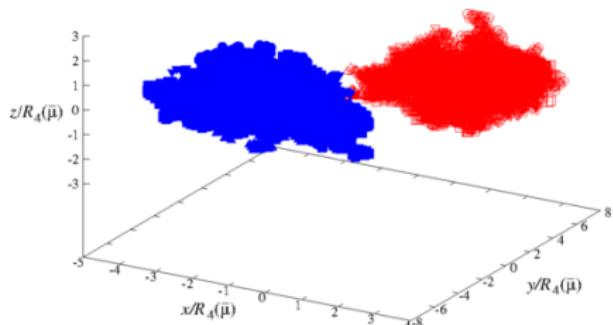
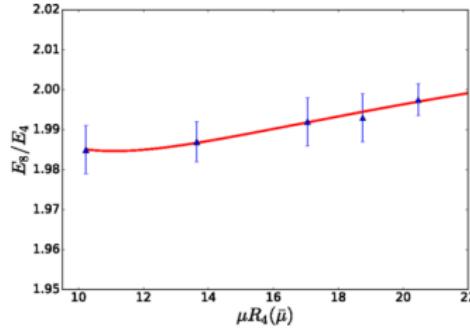
- AFDMC (Monte Carlo)
- ground state binding energy for $\Lambda = 2, 4, 6, 8 \text{ fm}^{-1}$
- bound at $\Lambda = 2 \text{ fm}^{-1}$
- for $\Lambda \geq 4 \text{ fm}^{-1}$ wave function of ^{16}O breaks into 4 mutually unbound α clusters
- the same outcome for ^{16}O and ^{40}Ca using coupled-cluster method
 (A. Bansal, S. Binder, A. Ekström, G. Hagen, G. R. Jansen, and T. Papenbrock, Phys. Rev. C 98, 054301, 2018)



LO contact EFT calculation of 8 four-component unitary fermions

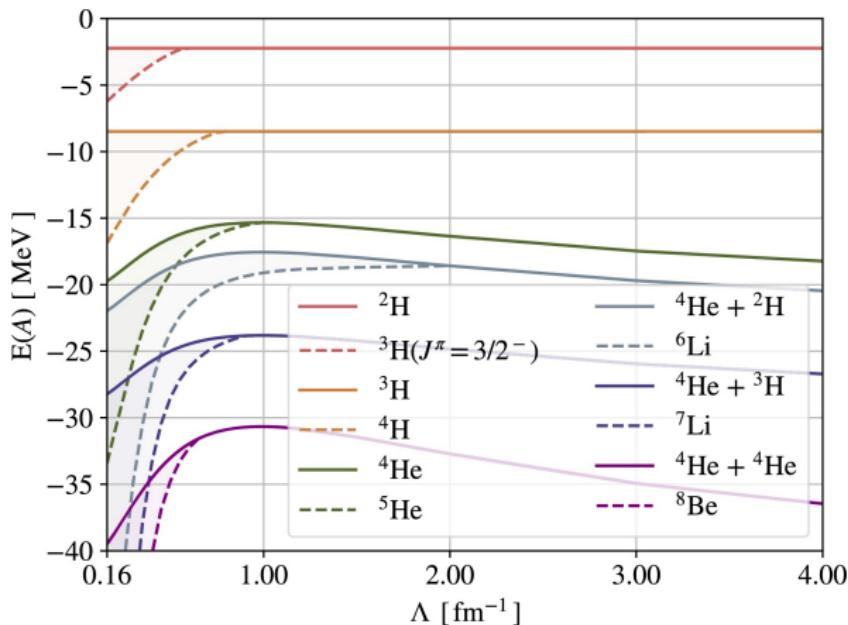
(W. G. Dawkins, J. Carlson, U. van Kolck, and A. Gezerlis, Phys. Rev. Lett. 124 (2020) 143402)

- resemblance to Wigner LO SU(4)-symmetric \neq EFT (${}^8\text{Be}$)
- DMC (Monte Carlo)
- zero-range limit $\mu R_4(\bar{\mu}) \rightarrow \infty$
- $E_8/E_4(\infty) = 2.04 \pm 0.05$
- $E_8/E_4(\infty)$ ratio consistent with the disintegration threshold into two 4-body clusters



LO EFT calculations of several p -shell nuclei up to ${}^8\text{Be}$

(M. Schäfer, L. Contessi, J. Kirscher, and J. Mareš, Phys. Lett. B 816 (2021) 136194)



At certain small and finite Λ all p -shell nuclear systems up to ${}^8\text{Be}$ break into mutually unbound s -shell subclusters.

Intermezzo

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Conjecture based on the numerical evidence :

Beyond s-shell nuclear systems break in the zero-range limit into p , n , ^2H , $^3\text{H}/^3\text{He}$, and ^4He . (free nucleon(s) + spherically-symmetric fragments)

Option 1 :

LO shallow continuum pole; RG invariant; can be mutated into a bound state with perturbative insertions of sub-leading operators.

Option 2 :

Identical as above; nonperturbative mechanism required to move the pole into a bound-state region.

Option 3 :

No LO RG invariant continuum pole in the EFT's convergence radius; must be created nonperturbatively by modifying the LO.

^4H resonances

Experimental evidence :

→ $n^3\text{H}$ elastic cross-sections

(Ann. Phys. 74 (1972) 250; Phys. Rev. C 22 (1980) 384)

→ π^- absorption experiments

(Phys. Lett. B 103 (1981) 409; Nucl. Phys. A 531 (1991) 613)

→ transfer reactions

(Phys. Rev. C 33 (1986) 2204; Nucl. Phys. A 719 (2003) C229)

→ extracted resonance positions significantly differ

Theory :

→ RGM with complex scaling

(Phys. Rev. C 68 (2003) 034303)

→ Spin-dipole strength functions

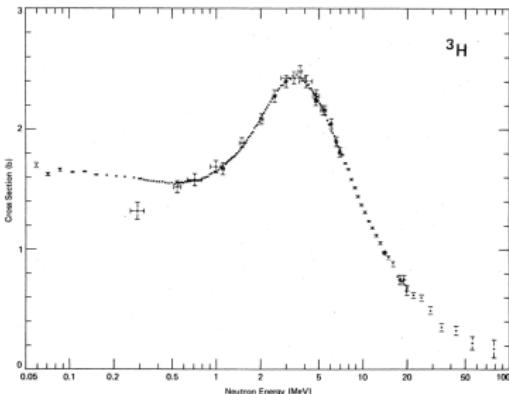
(Phys. Rev. C 87 (2013) 034001)

→ Faddeev-Yakubovsky equations

(Phys. Lett. B 791 (2019) 335)

→ No-core Gamov Shell Model

(Phys. Rev. C 104 (2021) 024319)



J^π	E_r [MeV]	Γ [MeV]
2^-	1.15(5)	3.97(7)
1_I^-	0.90(3)	3.80(8)
0^-	0.78(15)	7.7(7)
1_{II}^-	0.2(2)	4.6(1)

INOY; (Phys. Lett. B 791 (2019) 335)

One LO interaction ... three different methods

(L. Contessi, M. Schäfer, J. Kirscher, R. Lazauskas, J. Carbonell, Phys. Lett. B 840 (2023) 137840)

SU(4)-symmetric LO π EFT

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$$\hat{W} = D_0 \sum_{i < j < k} \sum_{cyc} e^{-\frac{(r_{ij}^2 + r_{ik}^2) \Lambda^2}{4}}$$

$B(^2\text{H})$ /unitarity and $B(^3\text{H})$

Faddeev-Yakubovsky formalism

(Phys. Rev. C 70 (2004) 044002)

(Front. Phys. (2020) 251)

$n^3\text{H}$ scattering, ${}^4\text{H}$ S-matrix pole

Harmonic oscillator trap

(Phys. Rev. A 80 (2009) 033601)

(Phys. Rev. C 85 (2012) 034003)

(Phys. Rev. Lett. 125 (2020) 112503)

$n^3\text{H}$ scattering

Resonating group method

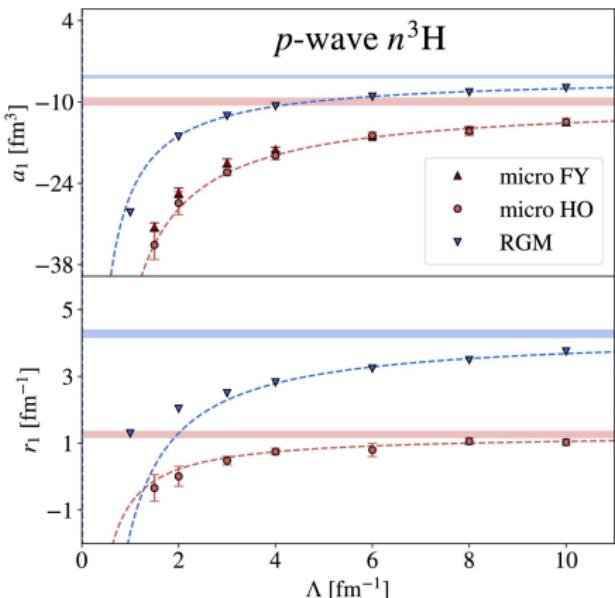
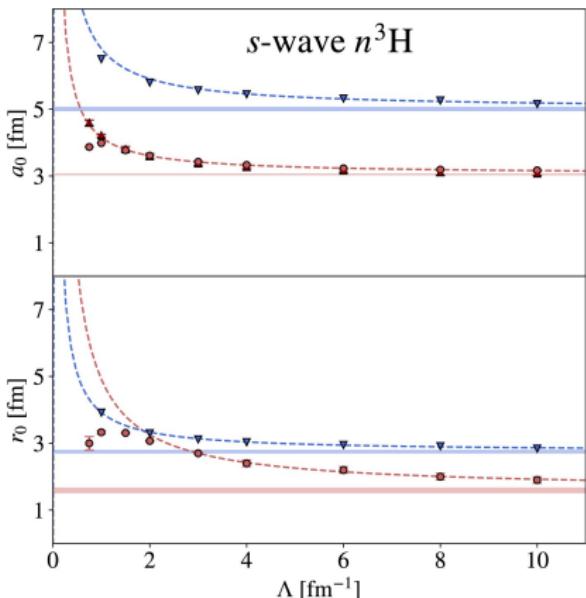
(Phys. Rev. 52 (1937) 1107)

(K. Wildermuth, Y. T'ang, *A unified theory of the nucleus* (1977) Vieweg+Teubner Verlag)

$n^3\text{H}$ scattering

S-wave and *p*-wave $n^3\text{H}$ elastic scattering

(L. Contessi, M. Schäfer, J. Kirscher, R. Lazauskas, J. Carbonell, Phys. Lett. B 840 (2023) 137840)



RGM insight into $n^3\text{H}$ potential

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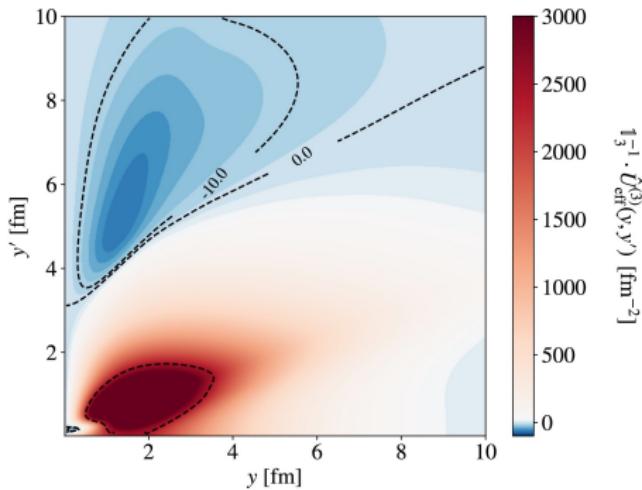
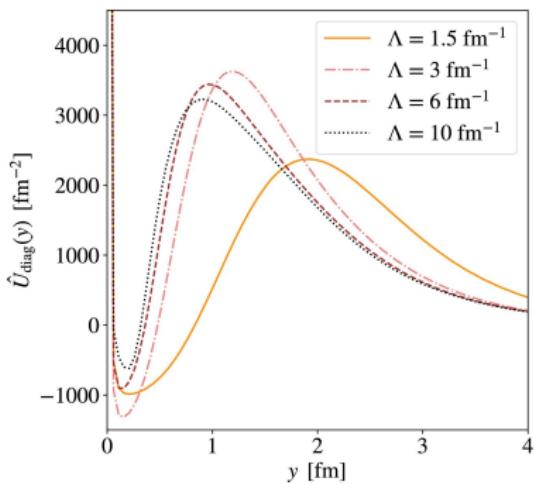
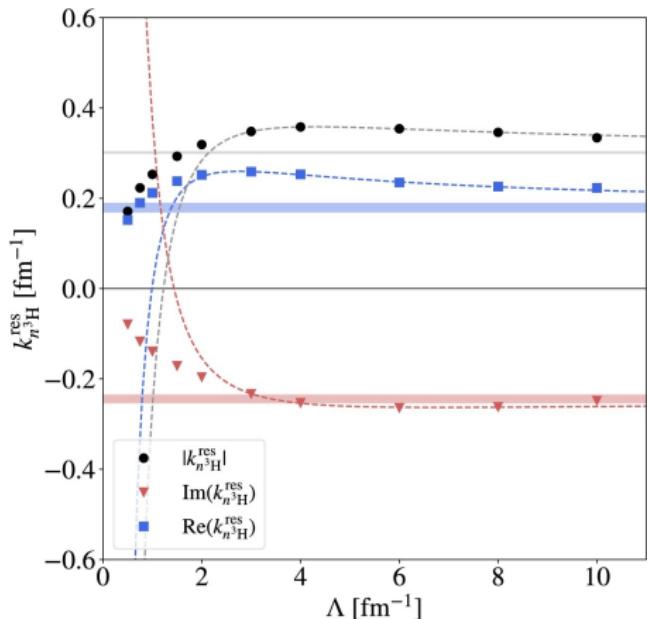
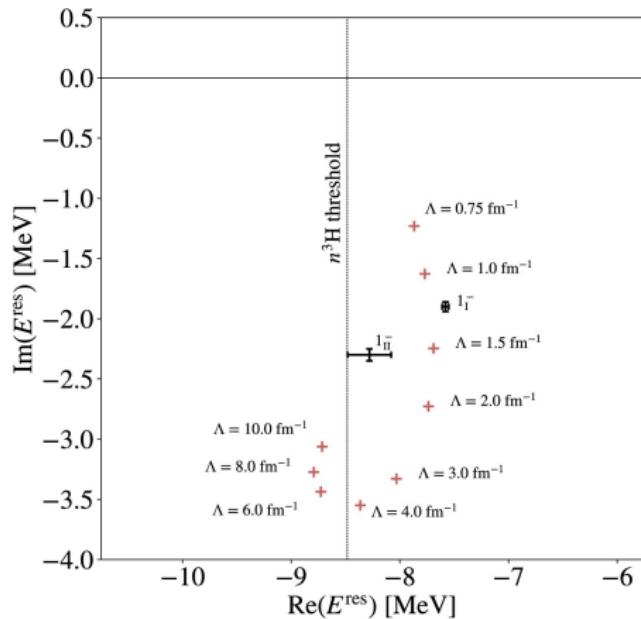


Figure: Left panel: Diagonal part of the effective "nuclear" RGM potential in the $L = 1$ partial wave, $\hat{U}_{\text{diag}}(y) := L(L+1)y^{-2} + \frac{2\mu}{\hbar^2} [\hat{U}_{\text{eff}}^{(2)}(y) + \hat{U}_{\text{eff}}^{(3)}(y, y)y^2] \frac{1\text{fm}}{N_3}$, where N_3 is the norm of the triton wave function and $1.5 \text{ fm}^{-1} \leq \Lambda \leq 10 \text{ fm}^{-1}$. Right panel: Topography of the non-local part $\hat{U}_{\text{eff}}^{(3)}(y, y')$ ($\Lambda = 10 \text{ fm}^{-1}$) exhibiting an off-diagonal attractive pocket (second quadrant of the contour plot) which does not vanish in the zero-range limit. The potentials were obtained at $E = 0$ with a five-dimensional Gaussian calibration of the core wave function to SVM ground states.

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$$k_{\text{res}} = \sqrt{2\mu \tilde{E}_{\text{res}}}, \quad \tilde{E}_{\text{res}} = E_{\text{res}} - E_t$$

Summary

- Beyond s -shell nuclear systems break in the zero-range limit into p , n , ${}^2\text{H}$, ${}^3\text{H}/{}^3\text{He}$, and ${}^4\text{He}$ (conjecture based on the numerical evidence)
- Surprisingly, the same type of instability for ${}^6\text{Li}$ and ${}^{16}\text{O}$ found using RG-invariant power-counting scheme at LO in χ EFT (Phys. Rev. C 103 (2021) 054304)
- Calculation of ${}^4\text{H } J^\pi = 1^-$ resonance within SU(4)-symmetric LO χ EFT using three different methods
- Numerical evidence of stabilization of ${}^4\text{H } J^\pi = 1^-$ resonance pole with increasing momentum cutoff

→ Reasonable to expect that the same stabilization occurs also in heavier p -shell systems, if so, we can speculate :

${}^6\text{Li} \rightarrow \alpha + d$	(likely 4+2 virtual(antibound) state)
${}^6\text{He} \rightarrow \alpha + n + n$	(likely 4+1+1 resonance)
${}^7\text{Li} \rightarrow \alpha + t$	(likely 4+3 resonance)
${}^8\text{Be} \rightarrow \alpha + \alpha$	(likely 4+4 virtual(antibound) state)
${}^{16}\text{O} \rightarrow \alpha + \alpha + \alpha + \alpha$	(likely 4+4+4+4 resonance)