# In-medium Similarity Renormalization Group for nuclei

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### **Essential Points**

I. Similarity renormalization group (SRG)

II.SRG transformation in many-body medium

- Decoupling of ground states
- Non perturbativeness
- Size-extensivity
- ✤ (Potential applicability to V<sub>eff</sub>/O<sub>eff</sub>)

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One obstacle to extending such calculations to heavier nuclei

=> Strong coupling between low- and high-momentum states induced by the short-distance details of typical two- and three-nucleon interactions, from low-energy scattering data and deuteron.

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♦Greatly simplify the nuclear many-body problems, making those calculations converge rapidly.

 Varying Λ provides a powerful tool to assess theoretical errors due to truncation in Hamiltonian and many-body approximations.

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SRG transformation directly in many-body system \*Normal-ordering w.r.t. a reference state, and truncate at a finite order. One can approximately evolve 3-body, ..A-body operators within 2b machinery.

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Hamiltonians using n<sup>-1</sup> and n<sup>-1</sup> are unitary equivalent if no truncation is made.
Any discrepancies in energy eigenvalues provides a measure of the truncation errors from the neglected 3-body or higher-body operators.

# Decoupling of Hilbert space

# Solving the flow equation for normal-ordered operators

 $\frac{dH(s)}{ds} = [\eta(s), H(s)]$ 

builds up correlations in pp, hh and ph channels to all order in bare couplings

At the end of the flow

$$H(\infty) = E_0(\infty) + f^d(\infty) + \Gamma^d(\infty).$$

The reference state  $|\Phi\rangle$  becomes the ground state of H( $\infty$ ) with E<sub>0</sub>( $\infty$ ) The  $|\Phi\rangle$  is decoupled from the rest of the Hilbert space

$$QH(\infty)P = 0, PH(\infty)Q = 0$$
  
 $P = |\Phi\rangle \langle \Phi| \text{ and } Q = 1 - |\Phi\rangle \langle \Phi|$ 



# In-medium SRG(2) Flow Equation $\frac{dE_0}{ds} = \sum_{ij} \eta_{ij}^{(1)} f_{ji}(n_i - n_j) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ijkl} \eta_{ijkl}^{(2)} \Gamma_{klij} n_i n_j \bar{n}_k \bar{n}_l \quad (\bar{n}_i \equiv 1 - n_i),$

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#### Ground-State Energy of <sup>4</sup>He



\*The IM-SRG(2) for both generators are in good agreement with the CCSD(T) \*The  $\eta^{\dagger}$  and  $\eta^{\parallel}$  results agree to within 20 keV of each other.

Essentially converged emax=8 results falls within 20 keV of the exact NCSM.

Truncation to normal-ordered two-body interaction is a controlled approximation.

#### Suppression of H<sup>od</sup>(s)

 $\eta^{-1}$ -evolution of the matrix elements  $\Gamma^{-1}$  JTz<sub>abcd</sub>(s) at three different steps in s.



The off-diagonal couplings in the initial Hamiltonian are rapidly driven to zero

Perturbative many-body approximations become more effective in SRG evolution well before the the complete decoupling.

# Non-perturbativeness

Many-body methods with the flowing Hamiltonian H(s)



With the initial Hamiltonian, MBPT breaks down.
With increasing s, MBPT become small.

The 2nd order happens to be nice BUT the 3rd order goes bad.

- All many-body methods approach the exact results, where the transformed Hamiltonian can be diagonalized by the simplest state.
- Almost s-independent CCSD(T) ==> IM-SRG(2) is controllable approximation.

## Size-extensibity: Numerically manifested



The calculations for <sup>16</sup>O, <sup>40</sup>Ca are well -converged and very good quality,
Falling between CCSD and CCSD(T)
IM-SRG can be used for mediummass nuclei, probably heavier ones as well.

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#### <u>Work in Progress</u>

- Application to heavier system ==> frontier of ab-initio method
- Derivation of effective operator/Hamiltonian for open-shell systems.
  - effective interaction for valence shell nucleons. <= ready for p-, sd-shell!</pre>

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- $\Box$  effective charge ==> B(E2) for C, Ca, Ni and Sn.
- quenching factor for GT transition,
- 🔲 charge/matter radii
- An Initial 3NF ==> Impact of 3NF in medium, neutron-rich nuclei. <= start with normal-ordered 3NF

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Danke schön!