

New ideas on EFT approach to nuclear system

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Effective field theory for nuclear system



Effective field theory concepts

- Very complicated system, I know no details, but only symmetries of the system.
- Arrange the physics based on separation of scales.
- To get quantum correction (higher order) effect, need renormalization in most cases.
- EFT only make sense only if renormalization group (RG) invariance is satisfied.

Mathematically:

$$\mathcal{O}(k, p_{typ}; \Lambda; \bar{\Lambda}_{EFT}) = \sum_i^n \left(\frac{k, p_{typ}}{\bar{\Lambda}_{EFT}} \right)^i \mathcal{O}_i(k, p_{typ}; \bar{\Lambda}_{EFT}) + \mathcal{C}_n(\Lambda; k, p_{typ}, \bar{\Lambda}_{EFT}) \left(\frac{k, p_{typ}}{\bar{\Lambda}_{EFT}} \right)^{n+1}$$

Diagram annotations:


- Arrows from "observables" and "cutoff" point to $\mathcal{O}(k, p_{typ}; \Lambda; \bar{\Lambda}_{EFT})$.
- Arrows from "order" and "Breakdown scale (given by 1st meson not included)" point to the summation index i .
- An arrow from "Residual, ~O(1) if: 1. EFT works 2. $\Lambda \geq \bar{\Lambda}_{EFT}$ " points to the coefficient \mathcal{C}_n .
- An arrow from "residual cutoff-dep." points to the $(\frac{k, p_{typ}}{\bar{\Lambda}_{EFT}})^{n+1}$ term.

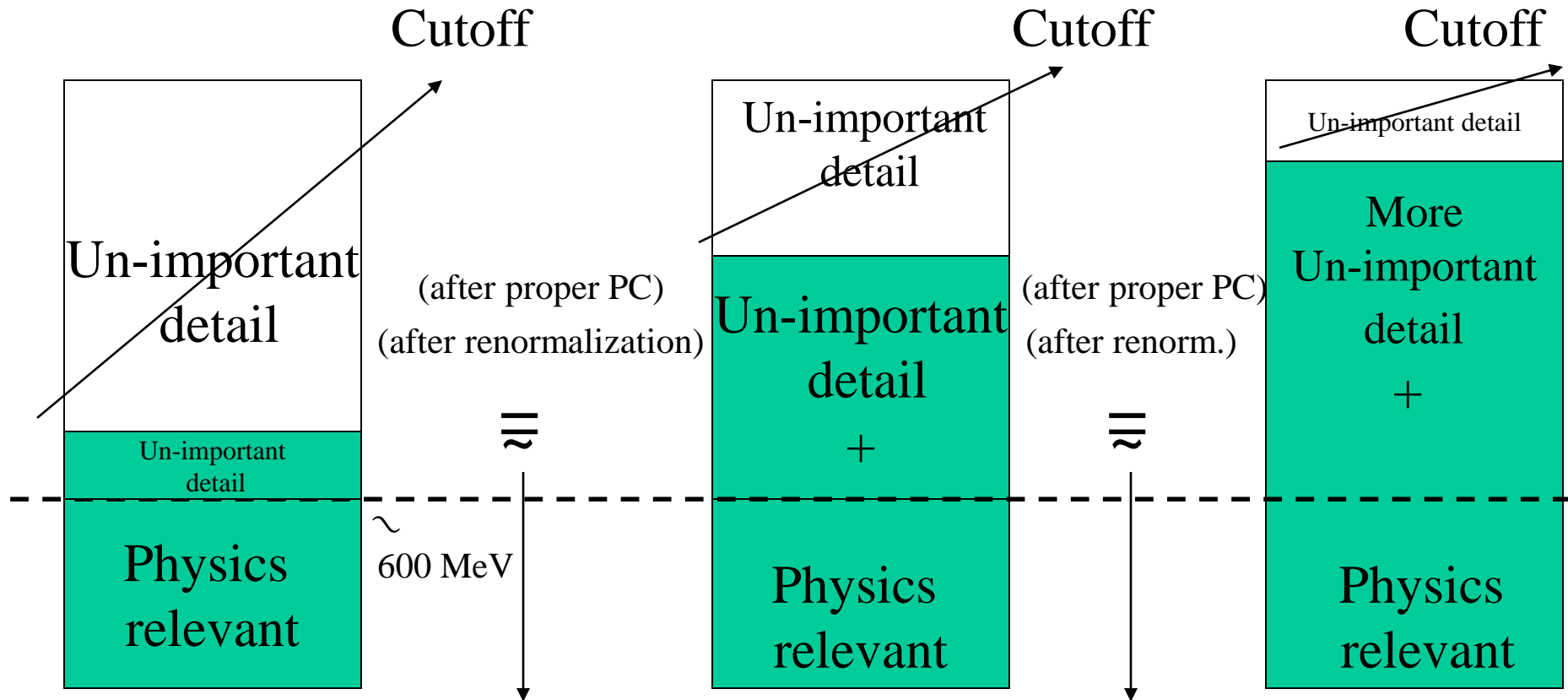
No cutoff here! => physics cannot dep. on cutoff !

H. W. Griesshammer, arXiv:1511.00490v3 [nucl-th].

Lepage plot: subtract at two Λ 's to extract "n+1"

Renormalization group (RG)

 : included



***Only source of error:** given by the high order terms.

If not so,  **the power counting isn't completely correct!**

(un-important are not really unimportant)

Part I: Nuclear Force

EFT on NN: Weinberg's proposal

- Spontaneous symmetry breaking:

$$SU_L(2) \times SU_R(2) \rightarrow SU_V(2) \text{ (chiral sym)}$$

- Write down all possible terms in Lagrangian allowed by symmetry.



Chiral perturbation theory: works in $\pi\pi$, πN , but NN is too strong (infrared enhancement), still have open issues.

Conventional way: Weinberg prescription

Epelbaum, Entem, Machleidt, Kaiser, Meissner, ... etc., ~**90%** of the people

- **Arrange diagrams base on Weinberg's prescription (WPP):** each derivative on the Lagrangian terms is always suppressed by the underlying scale of chiral EFT, $M_{hi} \sim m_\sigma$.
- **Iterate potential to all order (in L.S. or Schrodinger eq.), with an ultraviolet Λ .**

Carried out to $N^4LO(Q^5/M_{hi}^5)$

D. R. Entem, N. Kaiser, R. Machleidt and Y. Nosyk, PRC 92, 064001.

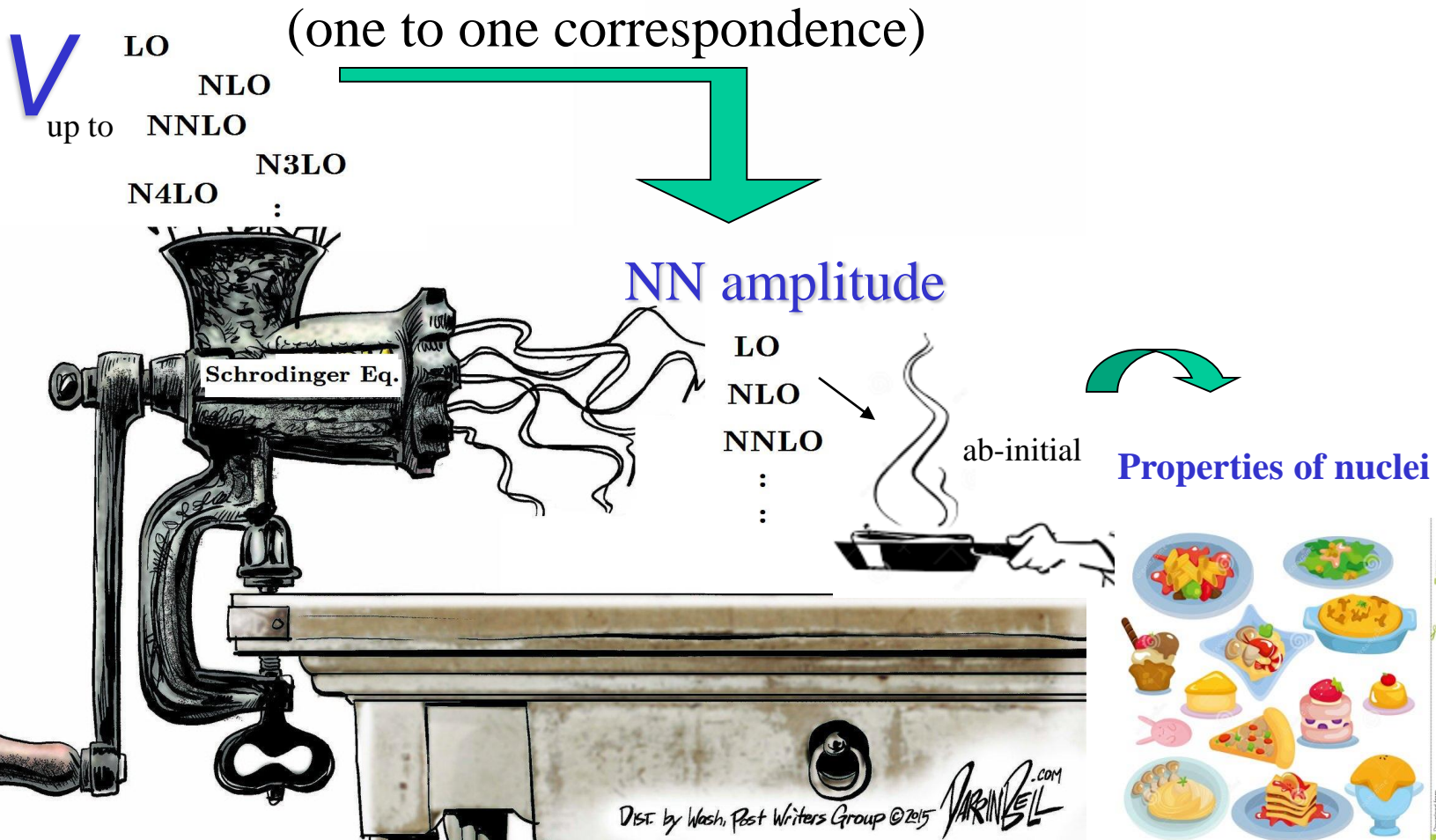
P. Reinert, H. Krebs and E. Epelbaum, arXiv:1711.08821.

$V(N^{n \geq 2}LO)$ performs as good as high accuracy $V_{CDBonn, AV18, etc., \dots}$, if keep **$500 < \Lambda < 875$ MeV** (or, recently, **$\Lambda = 350 \sim 500$ MeV**).

Conventional power counting

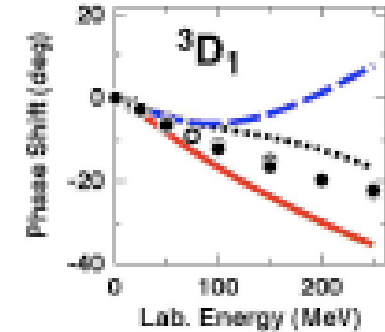
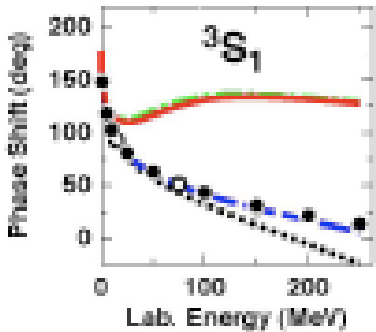
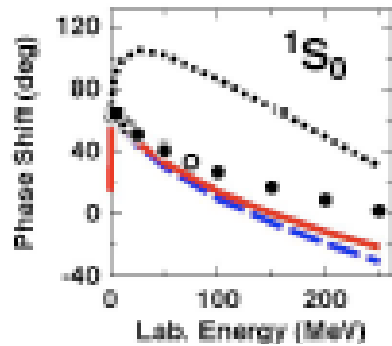
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Hope:



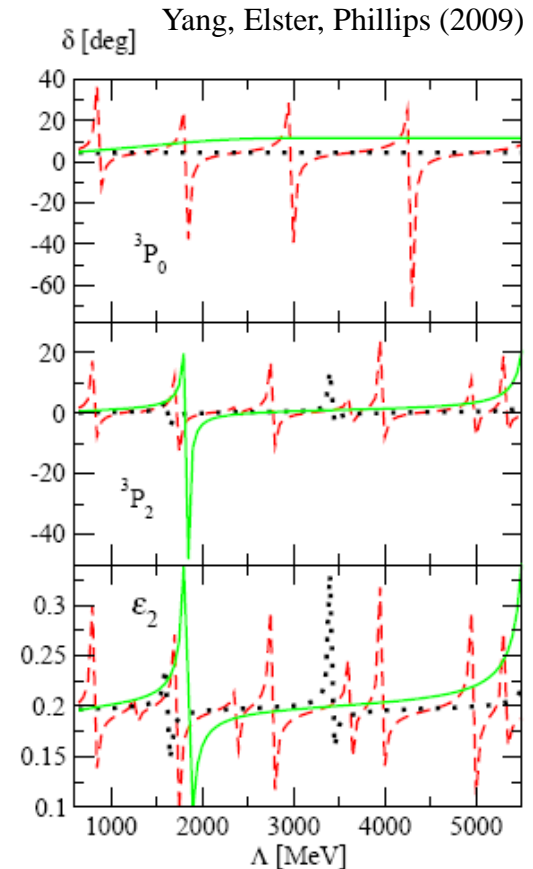
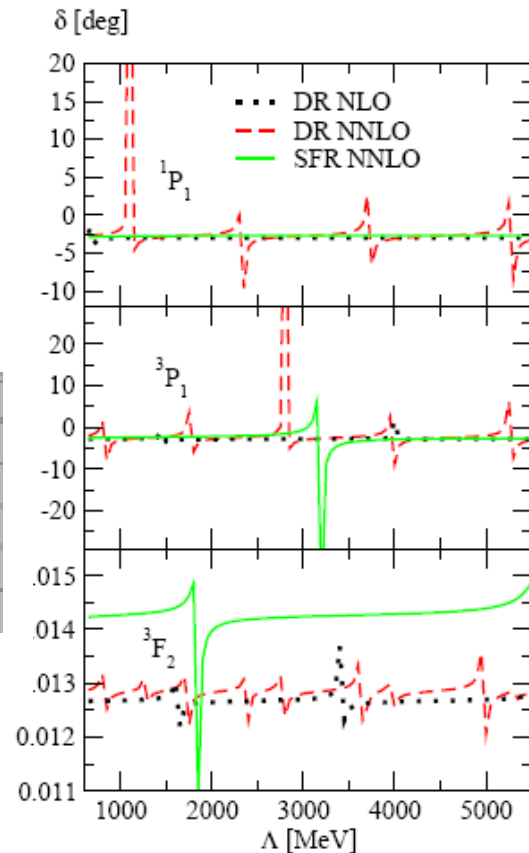
Problems in RG

- Singular attractive potentials demand contact terms. (Nogga, Timmermans, van Kolck (2005))
- Beyond LO: Has RG problem at $\Lambda > 1$ GeV (due to iterate to all order)



$N^3\text{LO}(Q^4)$

Ch. Zeoli R. Machleidt D. R. Entem (2012)



Yang, Elster, Phillips (2009)

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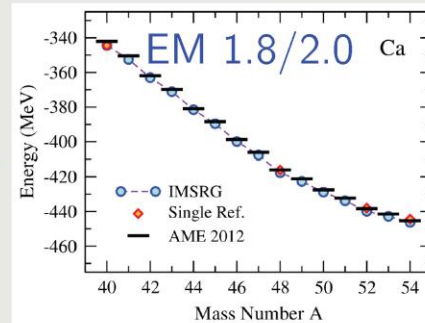
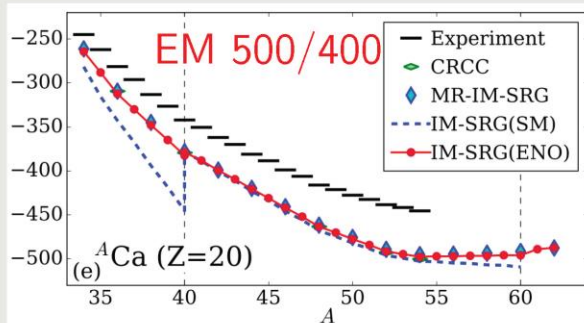
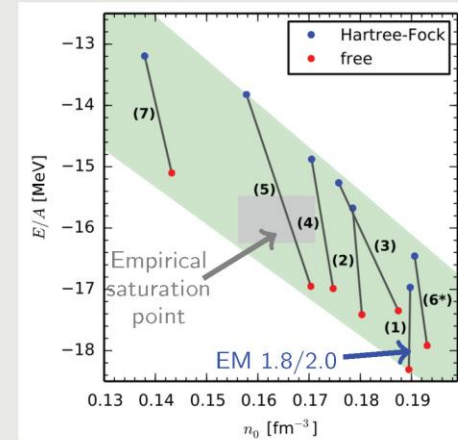
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Some indications in nuclear structure



One “magical” chiral (or chiral-inspired) interaction

| | EM 500/400 | EM 1.8/2.0 |
|----|--|--|
| NN | N^3LO $\Lambda_{2N} = 500$ MeV non-local regulator fit to NN scattering, 2H $\lambda_{SRG} = 1.88$ fm $^{-1}$ | same same same same \approx same |
| 3N | N^2LO $\Lambda_{3N} = 400$ MeV local regulator fit to 3H BE, $t_{1/2}$ consistently SRG evolved | same \approx same non-local regulator fit to 3H BE, 4He r_{ch} no SRG for 3N |



Neither interaction is fully consistent however...

Saturation properties appear important for finite nuclei

Hebeler et al. PRC(R) (2011), Drischler et al. PRC (2016), Simonis et al. (in prep.)

Ragnar Stroberg (TRIUMF)

Can the shell model be truly ab initio?

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Talk by R. S. Stroberg, ESNT workshop 2017

New power counting Long & Yang, (2010-2012)

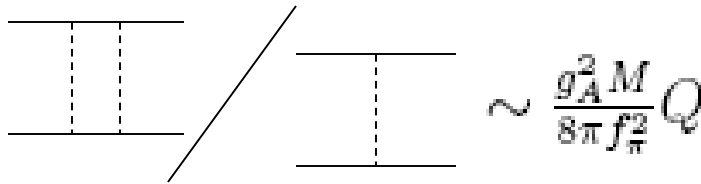
Main idea

- In EFT, terms in the Lagrangian need *not* all go to the calculations (we have infinity terms, need to cut somewhere), and need *not* be treated non-perturbatively → Only power counting decides.

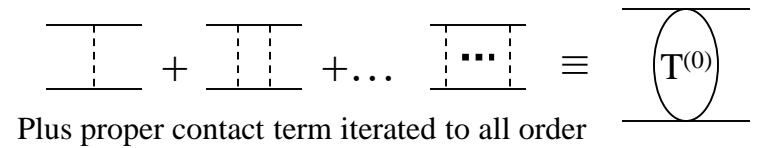
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LO: Still iterate to all order (at least for most $l < 2$).

Reason: van Kolck, Bedaque,... etc.



Thus, at LO:

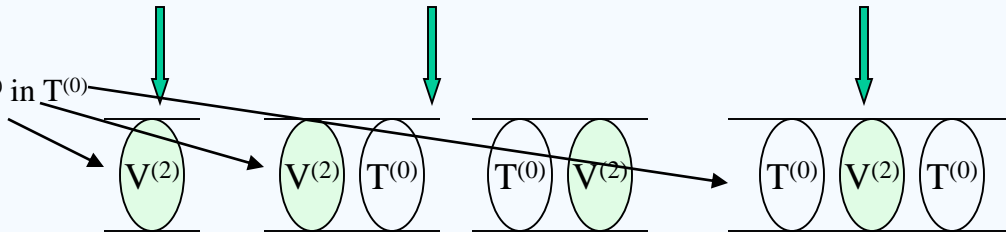


Start at NLO, do perturbation. $(T = T^{(0)} + T^{(1)} + T^{(2)} + T^{(3)} + \dots)$

If $V^{(1)}$ is absent:

$$T^{(2)} = V^{(2)} + 2V^{(2)}GT^{(0)} + T^{(0)}GV^{(2)}GT^{(0)}.$$

One insertion of $V^{(2)}$ in $T^{(0)}$



$$G \equiv \frac{2M_N}{\pi} \int_0^\Lambda \frac{p^2 dp}{p_0^2 - p^2 + i\epsilon}$$

$$T^{(3)} = V^{(3)} + 2V^{(3)}GT^{(0)} + T^{(0)}GV^{(3)}GT^{(0)}.$$

$$V^{(n)} = V_{Long}^{(n)} + V_{Short}^{(n)} ;$$

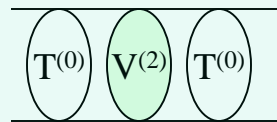
$$V_{Long}^{(n)} : \text{ pion-exchange at } O\left(\left(\frac{Q}{M_{hi}}\right)^n\right)$$

$$V_{Short}^{(n)} : \text{ counter terms, } \underbrace{C_0 + C_2 q^2 + C_4 q^4 + \dots}_{\text{value of } C\text{'s decided from renormalization}}$$

3 types of counter terms (determined by RG)

1. **Primordial**: Those renormalize the pion-exchange diagrams.
(always there if survived from partial-wave decomposition)

2. **Distorted –wave** counter terms



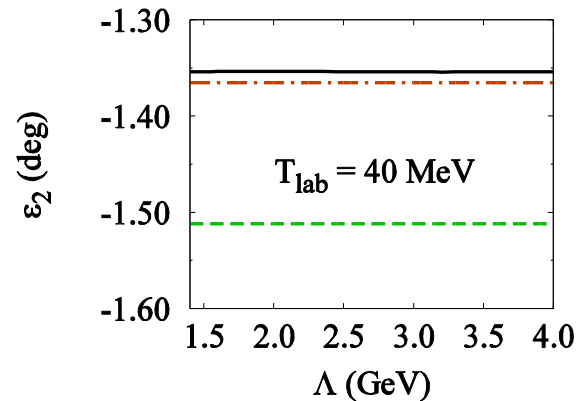
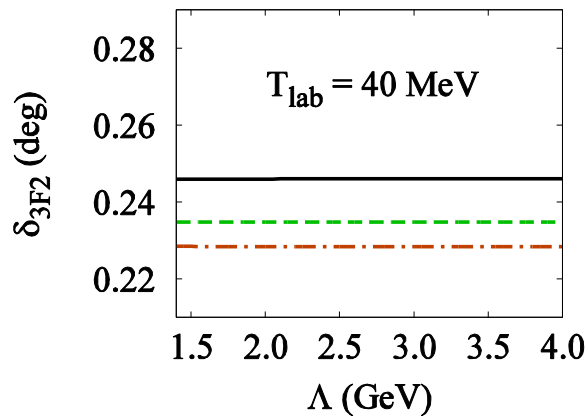
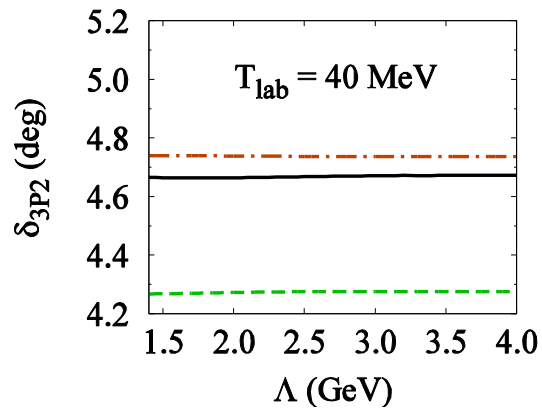
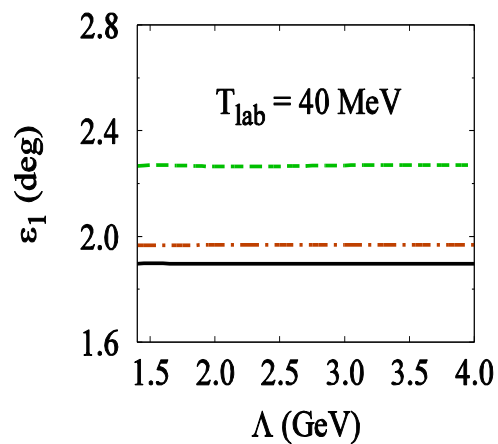
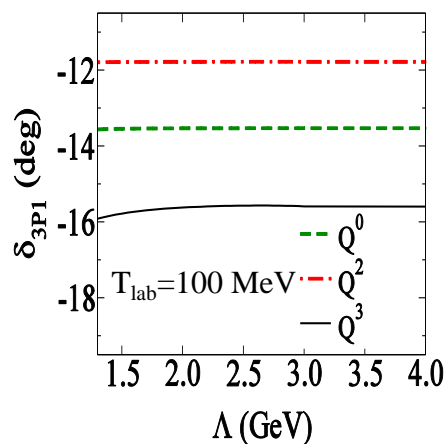
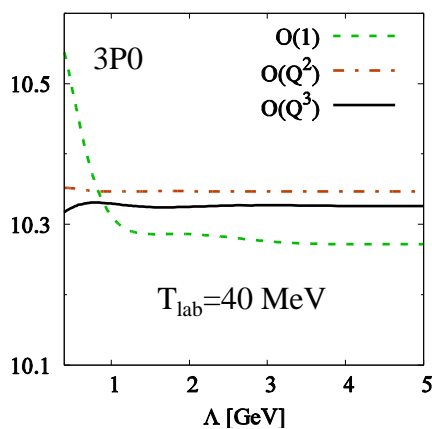
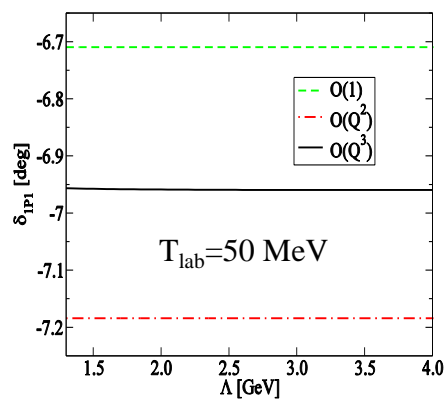
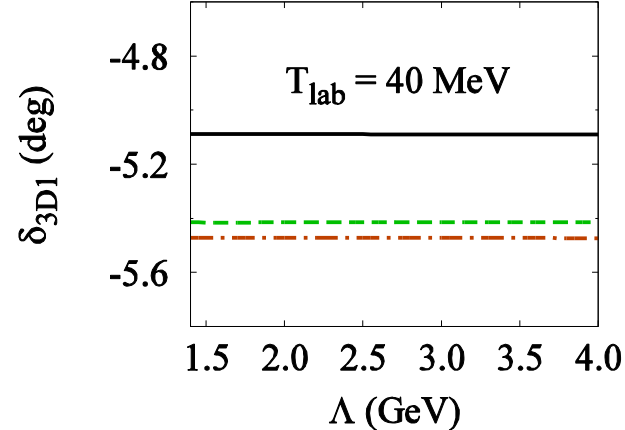
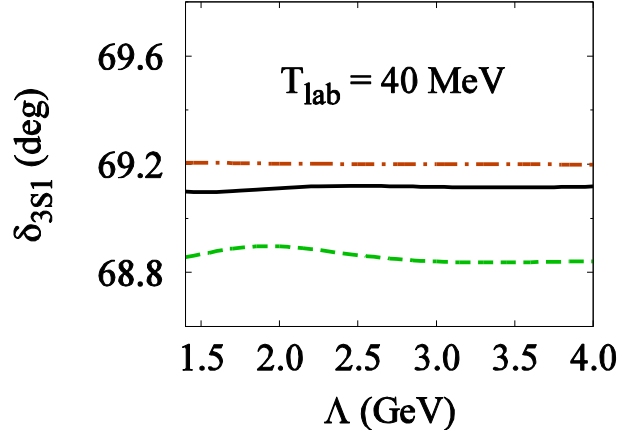
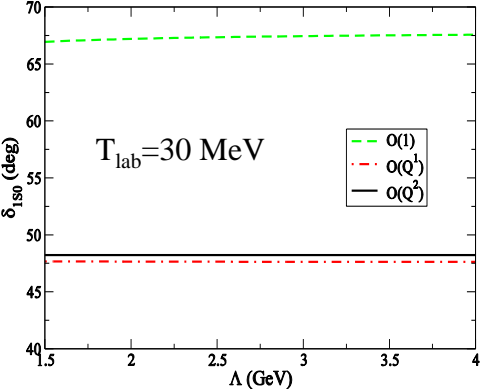
could diverge more than Q^2

3. **Residual** counter terms: Decided by the requirement from RG.

e.g., if $|T^{(n)}(k; \Lambda) - T^{(n)}(k; \infty)| \geq O\left(\frac{Q^{n+2}}{M_{hi}^{n+2}}\right)$, then need V_{Short}^{n+1} at order $n+1$.

Results

(All RG-invariant)



To be continue... in nuclear
structure calculations

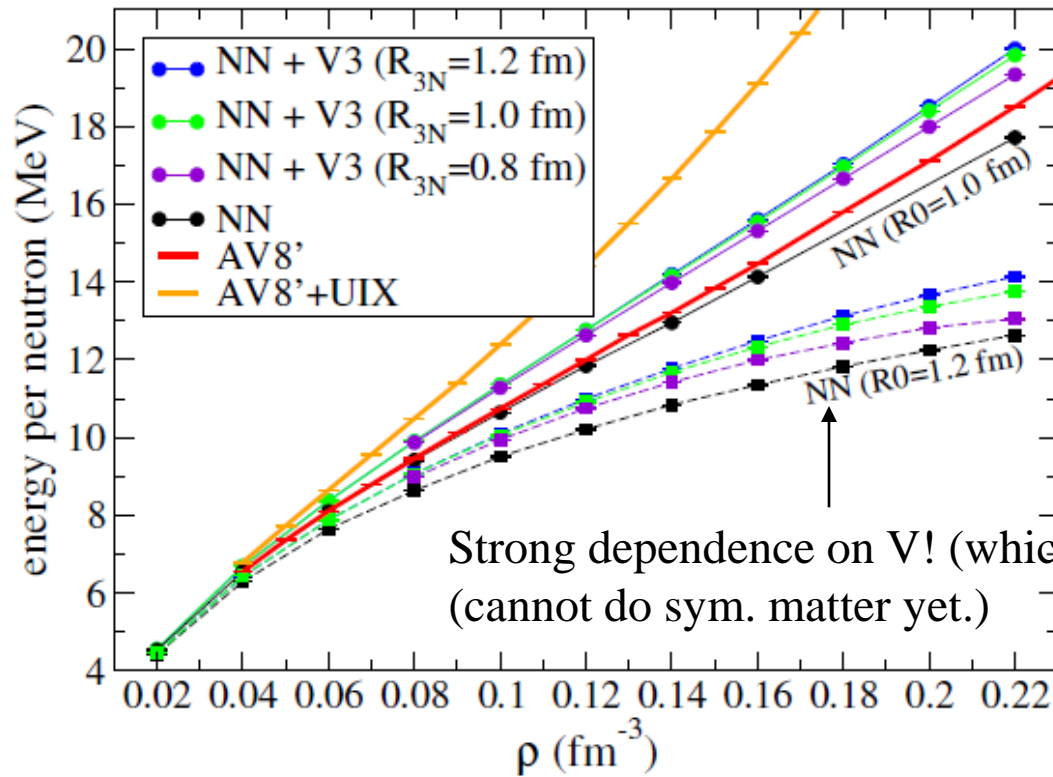
(with A. Ekstrom, C. Fossen, G. Hagen)

Part II: EFT approach to energy density functional (EDF)

Motivation (to do EDF)

Nuclear matter: ab-initio

Equation of state of neutron matter at N²LO.

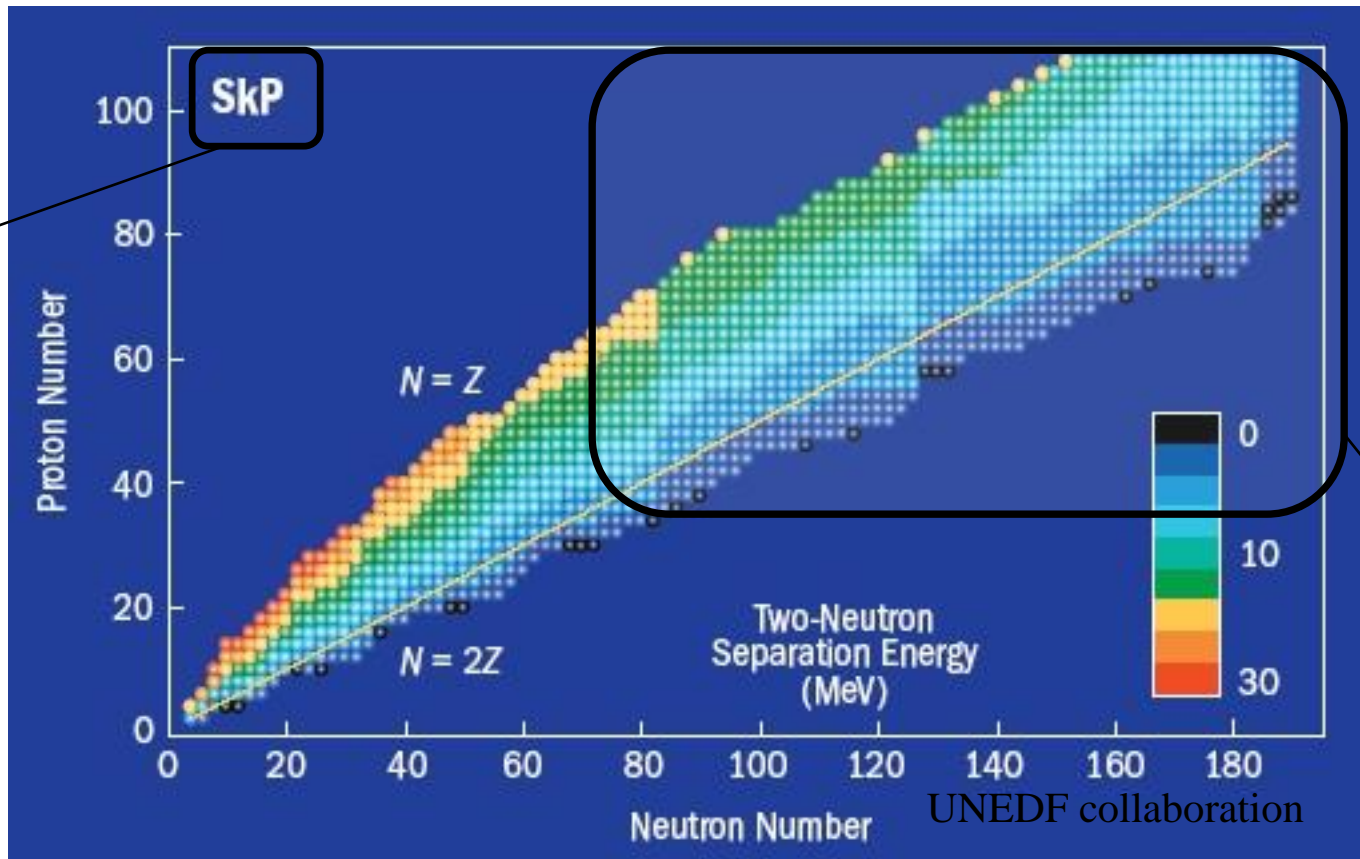


S. Gandolfi, talk in ESNT workshop, 2017

- Even with the correct power counting, it could be that one needs to go to very high order for the N^iLO interaction to have small enough theoretical error for many-body system.

On the other hand...

Mean field with Skyrme-type



Skyrme-type interaction works o.k. (able to do the fitting in EDF framework)

No way to get with ab-initio!

Need to think about other expansion (than on NN d.o.f.).

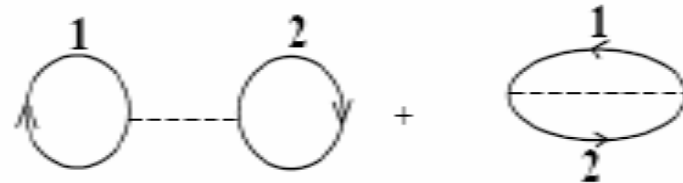
Interaction & mean field EoS

Interaction: Skyrme without spin-orbit

$$\begin{aligned}
 v = & \underbrace{t_0(1+x_0P_\sigma)}_{S\text{-wave } O(0)} + \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{t_1(1+x_1P_\sigma)(k'^2+k^2)}_{S\text{-wave } O(q^2)} + \underbrace{t_2(1+x_2P_\sigma)\mathbf{k}'\cdot\mathbf{k}}_{p\text{-wave } O(q^2)} \\
 & + \frac{1}{6} \underbrace{t_3(1+x_3P_\sigma)\rho^\alpha}_{s\text{-wave, higher body}}.
 \end{aligned}
 \quad
 P_\sigma = \frac{1}{2}(1+\sigma_1\cdot\sigma_2)$$

No pion! Like pionless EFT, except for the density-dependent term.

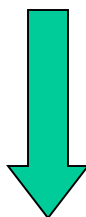
$$EoS: \quad \frac{E}{A} \propto \frac{1}{\rho} \int_0^{k_{F1}} d^3\mathbf{k}_1 \int_0^{k_{F2}} d^3\mathbf{k}_2 v$$



$$\left(\mathbf{k} = \frac{\mathbf{k}_1 - \mathbf{k}_2}{2}, \mathbf{k}' = \frac{\mathbf{k}_1 - \mathbf{k}_2}{2} + \mathbf{q} \right)$$

Disadvantages of current EDF approach

- The effective interaction is model-dep. (versions of Skyrme >20) => lack of predictive power.
- Divergence occurs when goes beyond MF.



It would be good if one can find
an EFT for it

Very difficult problem,...., let's
first look at what we already
knew.

We already knew: case 1 (expansion on $k_N a$)

Could do 'strict' EFT:

Pure neutron matter at **very low density** ($k_N a < 1$, $\rho < 10^{-6} \text{ fm}^{-3}$).

Lee & Yang formula (1957) describes the dilute system.

$$\frac{E_{NM}}{A} = \frac{\hbar^2 k_N^2}{2m} \left[\underbrace{\frac{3}{5}}_{K.E.} + \underbrace{\frac{2}{3\pi} (k_N a)}_{\text{analog to } t_0 \text{ term}} + \underbrace{\frac{4}{35} (11 - 2 \ln 2) (k_N a)^2}_{\text{automatically recover in 2}^{\text{nd}} \text{ of } t_0} + \underbrace{O(k_N^3)}_{\text{higher order}} \right]$$

↓
Skyrme completely wrong here!

=> Can be re-derived by EFT with matching to ERE

E.g., L. Platter, H. Hammer, Ulf. Meissner, Nucl.Phys. A714 (2003), 250-264,

H. Hammer and R.J. Furnstahl, Nucl.Phys. A678 (2000) 277-294.

'EFT-inspired'

Tricks to extend to higher ρ (up to 0.3 fm^{-3})

Already discussed in Marcella's talk

See also: P.Papakonstantinou et al, arXiv:1606.04219.

What we already knew: case 2 (expansion on $1/(k_N a)$)

Unitarity limit

- For $a \rightarrow \infty$, scale invariance gives $\frac{E}{E_{FG}} = \xi(a_s k_F, r_e k_F)$
- Nuclear system not far from unitarity.
 $|a_s = -18.9 \text{ fm}| \gg \text{range of interaction}$

'EFT-inspired' treatment

Neutron matter only

Expansion in $(a_s k_F)^{-1}$ + resum+input from ab-initio (QMC) calculations.

D Lacroix, Phys. Rev. A 94, 043614 (2016).

D Lacroix, A. Boulet, M. Grasso, C. J. Yang, PRC 95, 054306 (2017).

A. Boulet and D Lacroix, arXiv:1709.05160

Strict EFT maybe possible (within certain range of ρ)

C.J. Yang and U. van Kolck, in preparation.

Unitarity limit: Formula

D Lacroix, A. Boulet, M. Grasso, C. J. Yang, PRC 95, 054306 (2017) .

The proposed functional for Neutron matter

$$\frac{E}{E_{FG}} = 1 - \frac{U_0}{1 - (a_s k_F)^{-1} U_1} + \frac{R_0(r_e k_F)}{[1 - R_1(a k_F)^{-1}] [1 - R_1(a_s k_F)^{-1} + R_2(r_e k_F)]}$$

No free parameters: U_i , R_i from QMC data (with $V_{\text{unitarity}}$)

Validity: $\frac{1}{|a_s|} < k_F < \frac{1}{R} \Rightarrow 4 * 10^{-6} < \rho < 0.002[\text{fm}^{-3}]$, or higher if there's an extra suppression in the coefficient in front of the range.

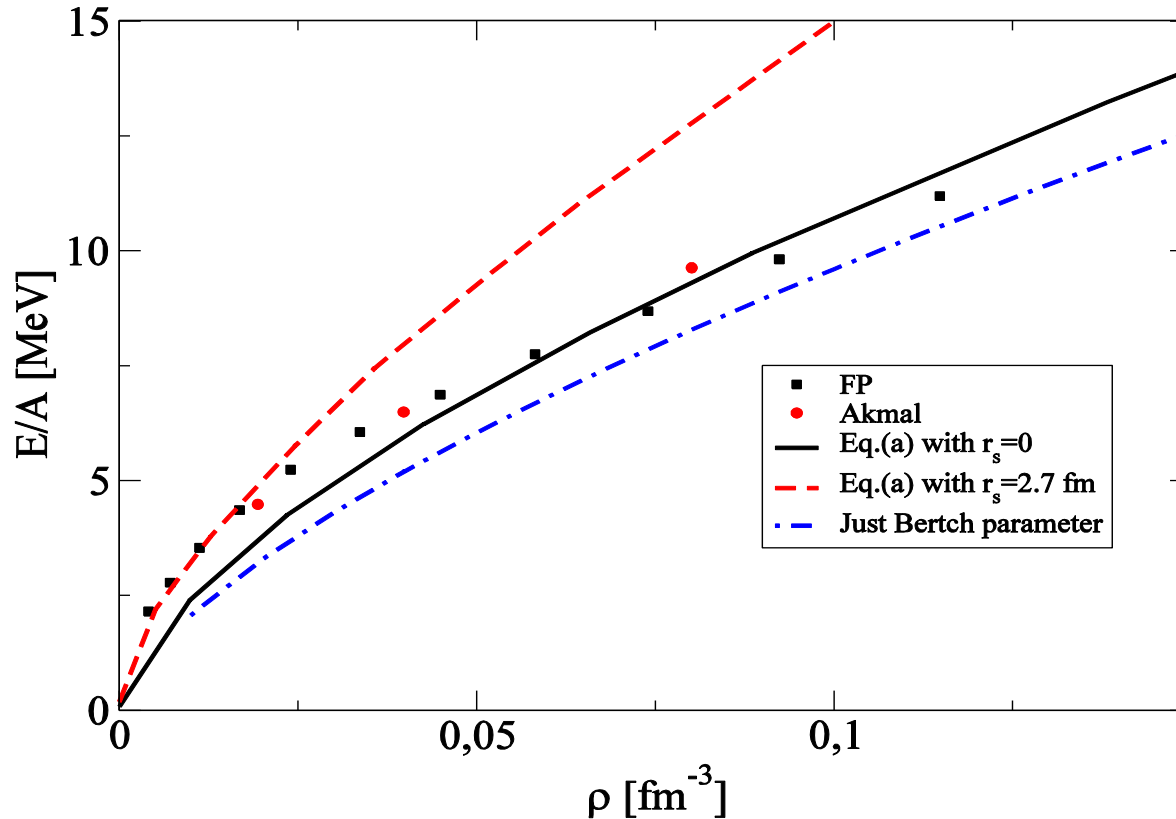


The lower limit ($4 * 10^{-6}$) is exactly where Skyrme breakdown.

Hint: Skyrme is an UT-like expansion.

Unitarity limit: Results

D Lacroix, A. Boulet, M. Grasso, C. J. Yang, PRC 95, 054306 (2017).



- Nuclear systems are not too far from the unitarity limit.
- Just a few more parameters might be sufficient to describe data up to $\rho=0.3 \text{ fm}^{-3}$, this explains why Skyrme works!

Lessons

In both cases, the interactions are very simple, i.e., Skyrme-like.



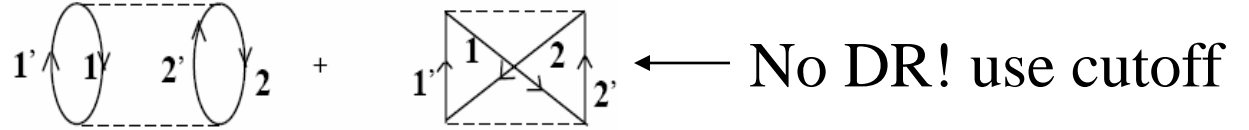
Choose Skyrme-like interaction as the starting point (leading order) for EFT-based approach



Tasks:

1. Need to include higher order corrections
2. Check renormalization
3. Check power counting

2nd order: nuclear matter



$$\frac{\Delta E_{sym(l=0)}^{(2)}}{A} = -\frac{mk_F^4}{110880\hbar^2\pi^4} \left\{ \begin{aligned} & \left[\begin{aligned} & -6534 + 1188\ln[2] + 3564\lambda - 19602\lambda^3 - 5940\lambda^5 \\ & + (1782 - 20790\lambda^4)\ln\left[\frac{\lambda-1}{\lambda+1}\right] \\ & + (24948\lambda^5 - 5940\lambda^7)\ln\left[\frac{\lambda^2-1}{\lambda^2}\right] \end{aligned} \right] \tilde{T}_{03}^2 \\ & - 48840\lambda^5 - 18480\lambda^7 + (2640 - 55440\lambda^6)\ln\left[\frac{\lambda-1}{\lambda+1}\right] \\ & + (71280\lambda^7 - 18480\lambda^9)\ln\left[\frac{\lambda^2-1}{\lambda^2}\right] \end{aligned} \right\} k_F^2 \tilde{T}_{03} \tilde{T}_1 \\ + \left[\begin{aligned} & -9886 + 1128\ln[2] + 2520\lambda + 147\lambda^3 - 3654\lambda^5 \\ & - 35280\lambda^7 - 15120\lambda^9 + (1260 - 41580\lambda^8)\ln\left[\frac{\lambda-1}{\lambda+1}\right] \\ & + (55440\lambda^9 - 15120\lambda^{11})\ln\left[\frac{\lambda^2-1}{\lambda^2}\right] \end{aligned} \right] k_F^4 \tilde{T}_1^2 \end{aligned} \right.$$

Diverge as Λ^5

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Renormalization:
Check renormalizability

- Treatment I:

Absorb divergence into redefinition of parameters.

- Treatment II:

Add counter terms correspond to the divergences.

Treatment I:

No new term added, use special cases of α and t_i

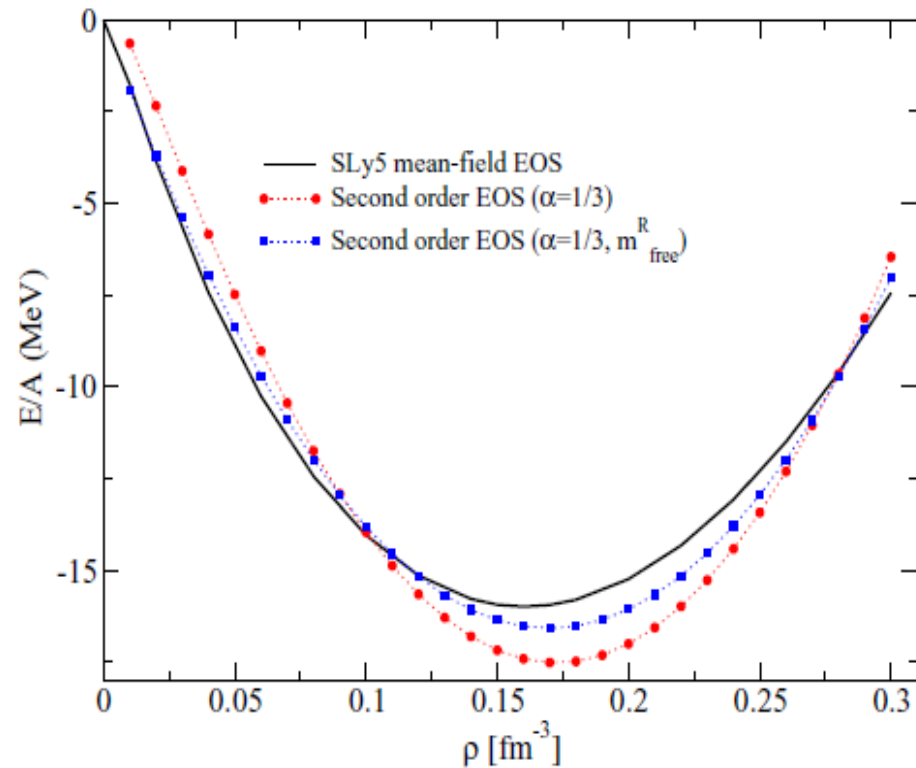
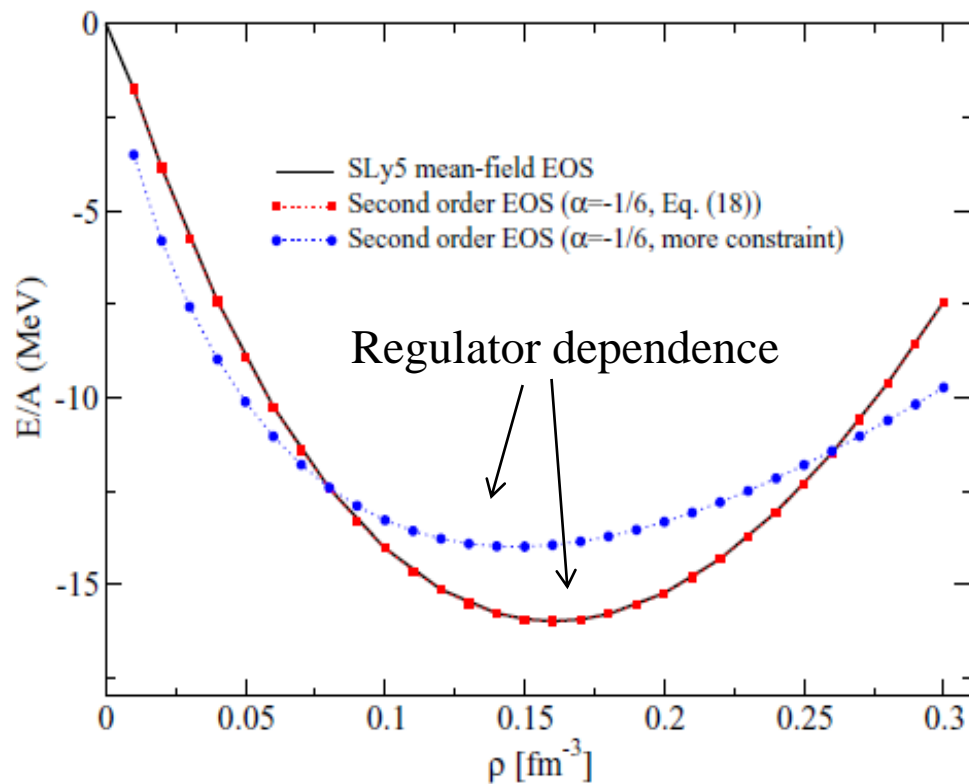
C.J. Yang, M. Grasso, K. Moghrabi, U van Kolck, PRC 95, 054325 (2017)

Results: $\alpha = -1/6$

Results: $\alpha = 1/3$

| m^R (MeV) | t_0^R (MeV fm ³) | T_3^R (MeV fm ^{5/2}) | x_0^R | x_3^R | χ^2 |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|----------|
| 591.9 | 793.15 | -1570.8 | 1.465 | -0.1759 | <0.1 |

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|--------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|----------|
| 939 | -1244.1 | 247.11 | <10 ⁻⁴ | 1364 |
| 23845 | -580.16 | 46.248 | <10 ⁻² | 188 |



Lessons

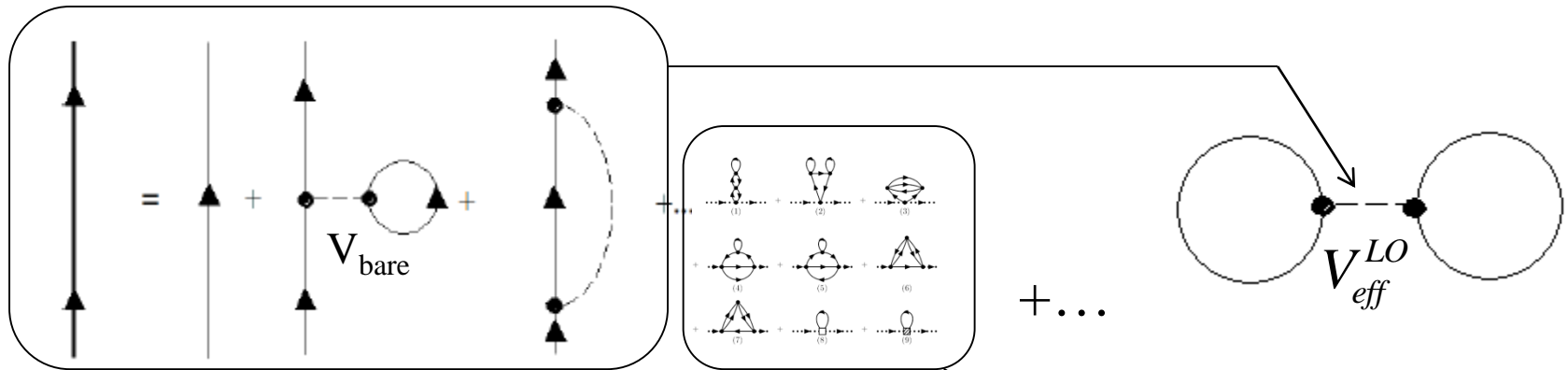
1. The leading order quite possible just contains only t_0 - t_3 terms.
2. However, the **regulator dependence** tells us the power counting cannot be established in this way.

More general consideration **(adding counter terms at NLO):**

C.J. Yang, M. Grasso, D. Lacroix, PRC 96, 034318 (2017)

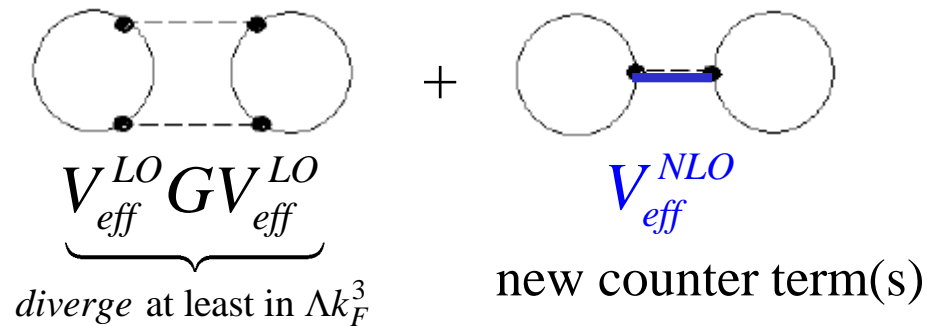
Diagrammatic explanation of
the idea

Dressing of propagator $\rightarrow V_{\text{eff}}$

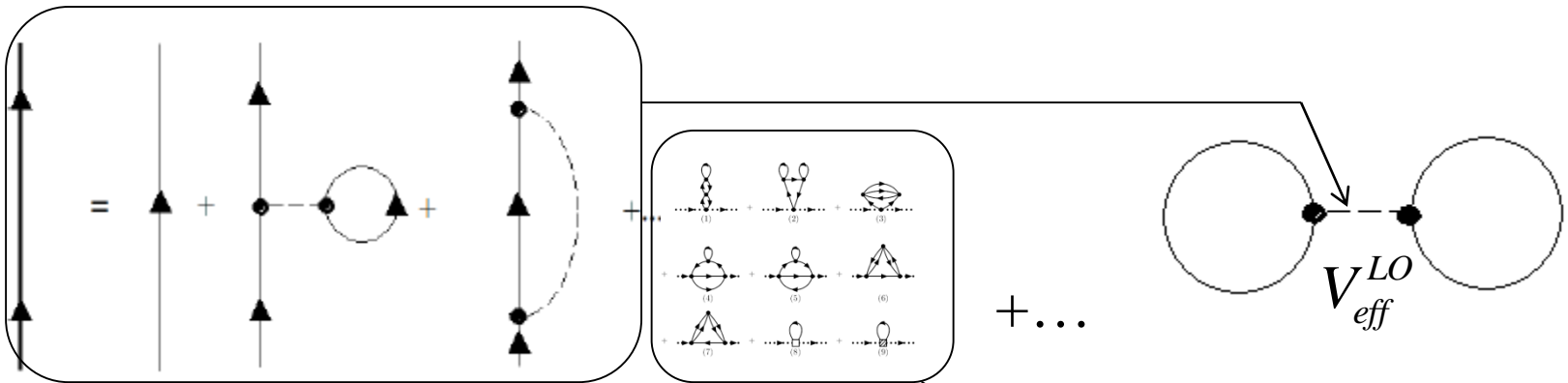


Leading order (LO)

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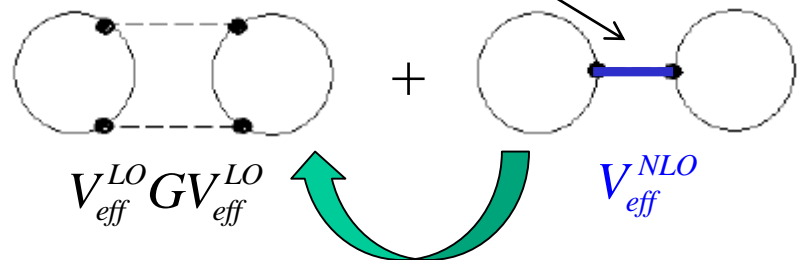


Dressing of propagator $\rightarrow V_{\text{eff}}$



Leading order (LO)

Then, NLO includes:



* V_{eff}^{NLO} contains (at least) contact terms to renormalize $V_{\text{eff}}^{LO} G V_{\text{eff}}^{LO}$.

Counter term part of the NLO potential

V_{eff}^{NLO} : For t_0 - t_3 model, the divergence from $V_{eff}^{LO} G V_{eff}^{LO}$ is:

$$\underbrace{O(k_F^3), O(k_F^{3+3\alpha})}_{k_F^n\text{-dep. appears in MF}}, \underbrace{O(k_F^{3+6\alpha})}_{\text{new } k_F^n\text{-dep.}}. \quad \mathbf{3 \text{ different } k_F\text{-dep.}}$$

If want to keep α free, \Rightarrow Minimum contact term required: $Ck_F^{3+6\alpha}$.

Most general case: $Ak_F^3, Bk_F^{3+3\alpha}, Ck_F^{3+6\alpha}$.

In infinite matter, k_F^{3n} in-distinguishable with $3\pi^2\rho$

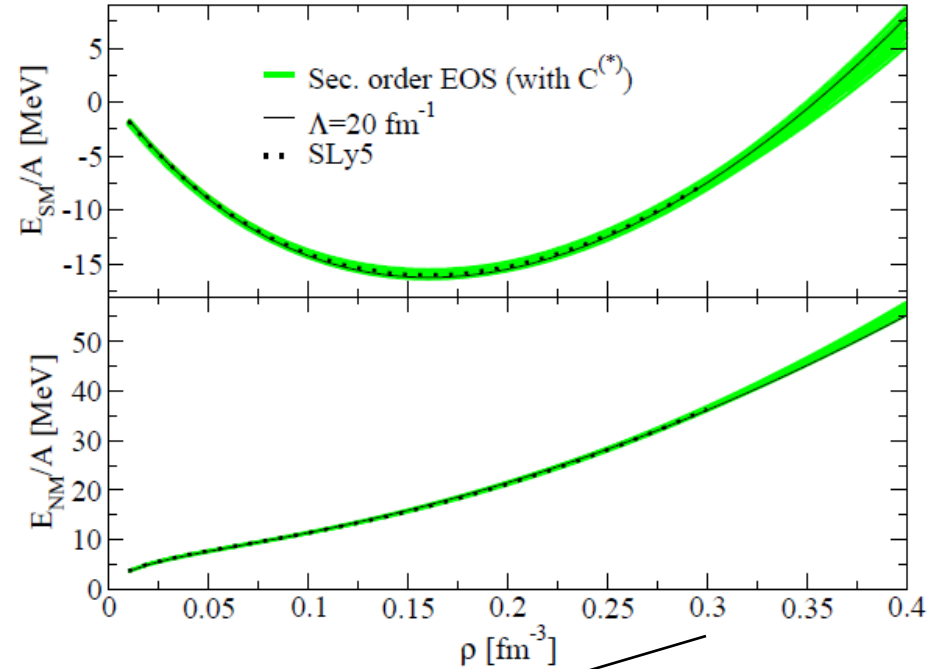
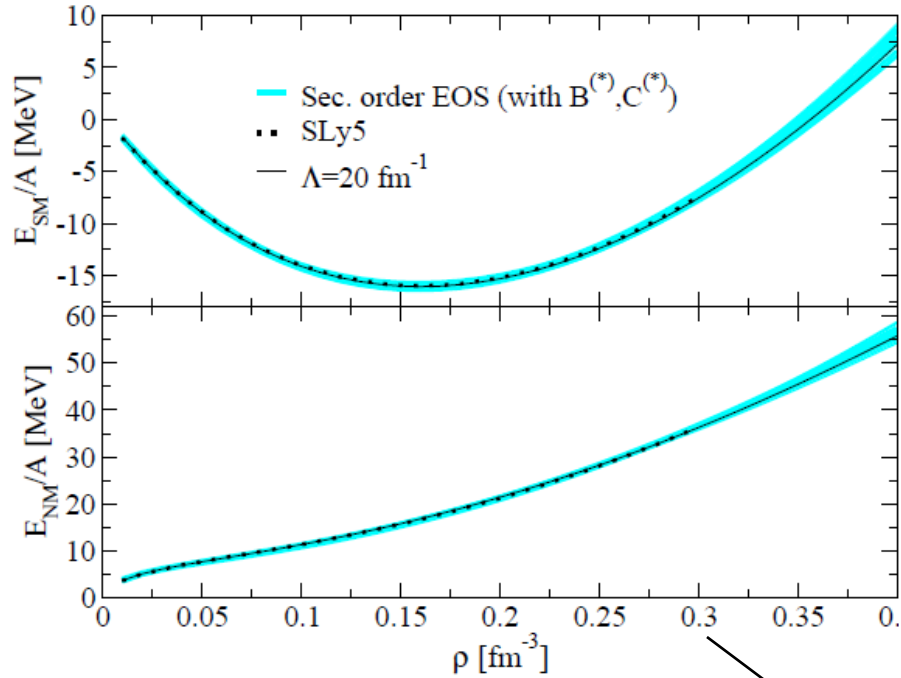
$\Rightarrow k_F^n$ -term in EOS *could* originated (at interaction level) from:

$$(k - k')^{n-3\nu-3} \rho^\nu,$$

where ν is an extra parameter to be decided in the fitting to finite nuclei.

NLO results (based on t_0 - t_3 as LO)
 $\alpha < 1/6$ case

Color band: $\Lambda=1.2\sim 20\text{ fm}^{-1}$

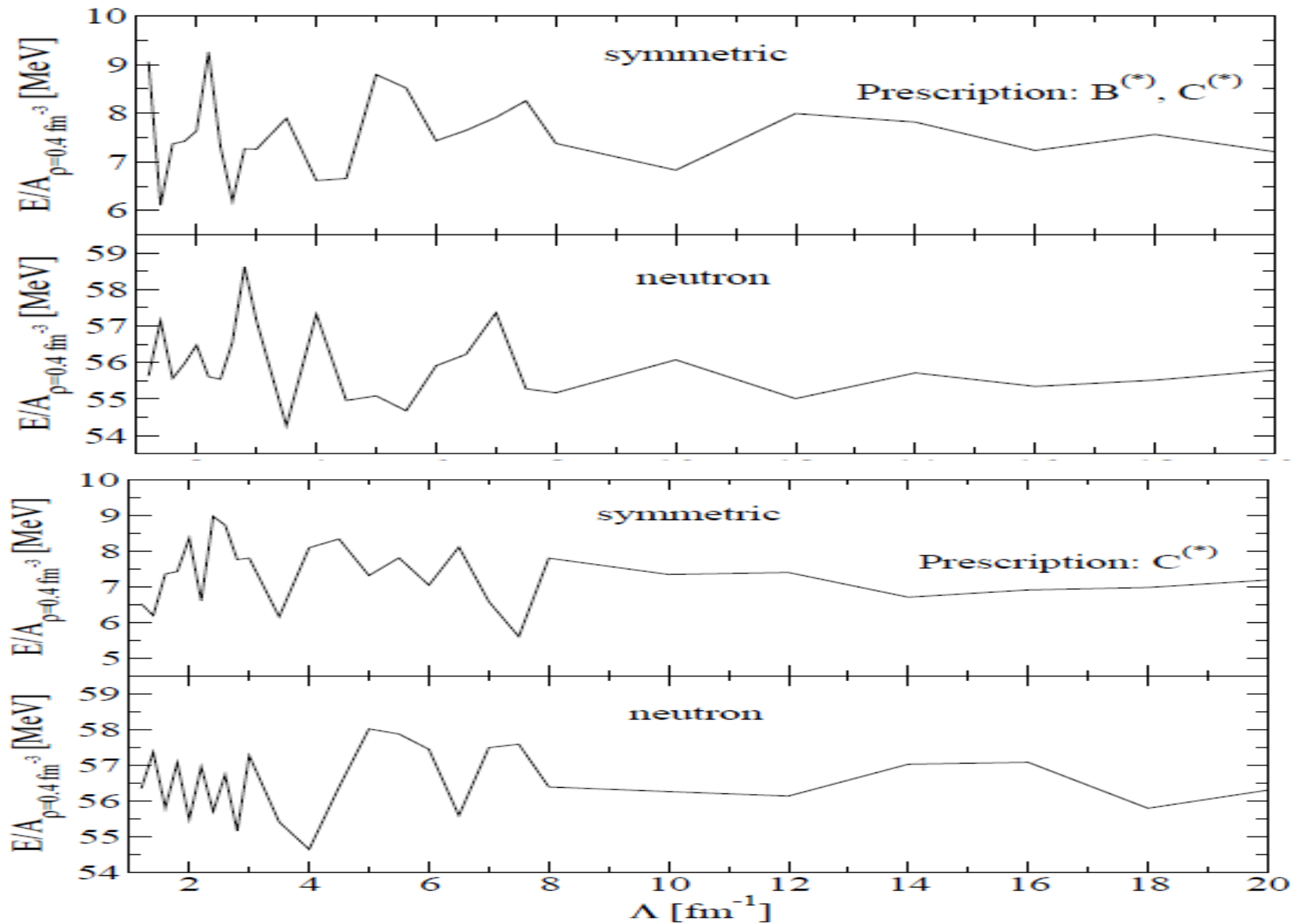


LECs fitted up to 0.3 fm^{-1}

Similar results (with different counter terms) tell us that the regulator-dependence is eliminated by adding counter terms!



Renormalization group (RG) check at $\rho=0.4 \text{ fm}^{-3}$



Scheme for EFT in EDF

or whatever the name it is

Try to bridge EFT ideas/techniques to mean field (and beyond) within EDF framework.

Trial LO effective interaction.

(e.g., Skyrme-type)

2nd order corrections

Add new effective interactions?

What is the proper form of it?

Higher order corrections

Is the improvement systematic?

Renormalization-group
analysis

+

power counting check

Goal:

Systematic treatment of the
interactions.

Thank you!

Brainstorming I

- **Any alternative suggestion of LO interaction?**
 - ❖ Could it be derived from more microscope/fundamental theories?
 - ❖ Use multiple density-dep. term at LO?
 - ❖ What's the upper and lower bound value for α (if any)?
 - ❖ Should we keep α independent of cutoff ?

Brainstorming II

- How to do the same (2nd order) for finite nuclei?


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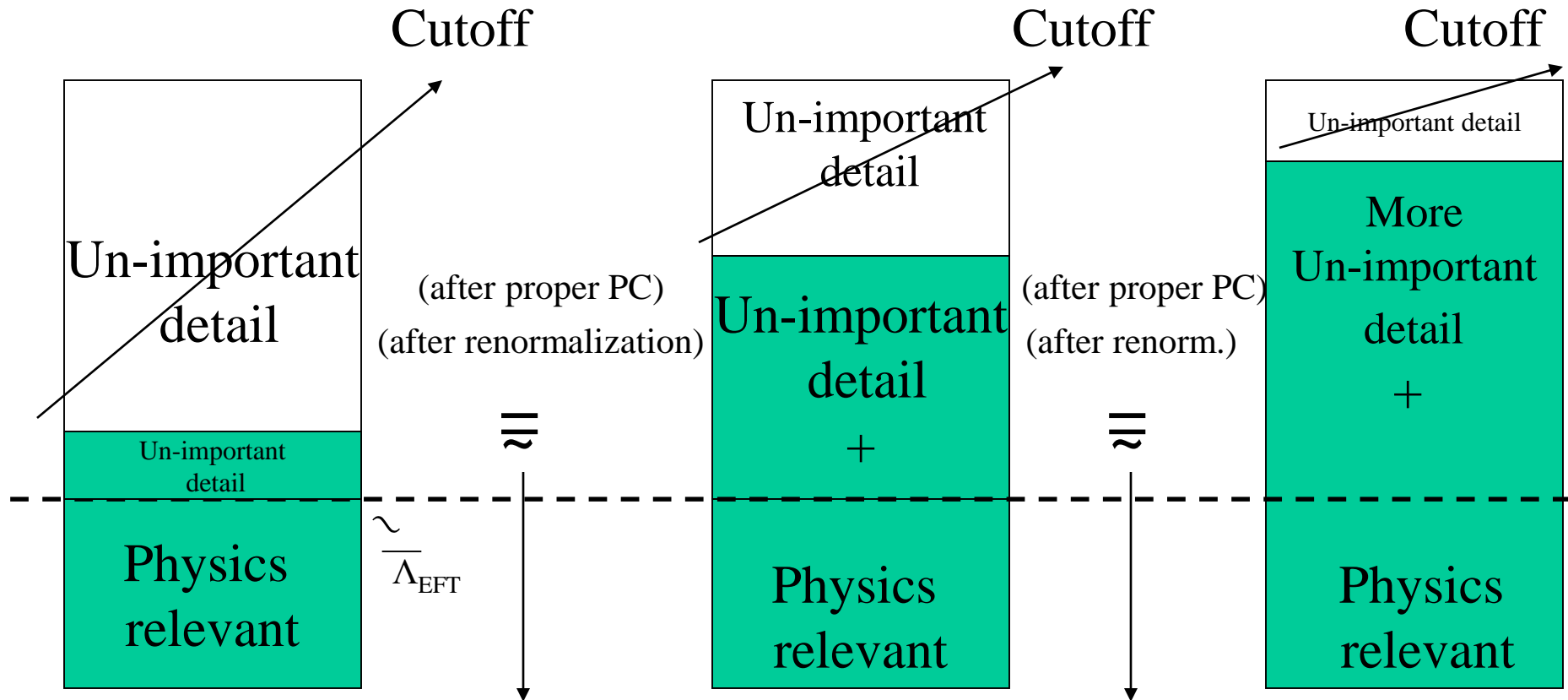
- Any idea to extend the EFT built from unitarity limit to symmetric matter.

Should we have different power counting between pure neutron and symmetric matter?

Back up slides

Renormalization group (RG)

 : included



***Only source of error:** given by the high order terms.

If not so,  **the power counting isn't completely correct!**

(unimportant are not really unimportant)

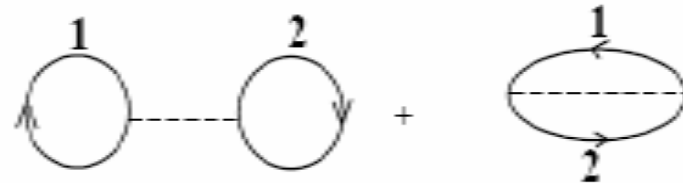
Interaction & mean field EoS

Interaction: Skyrme without spin-orbit

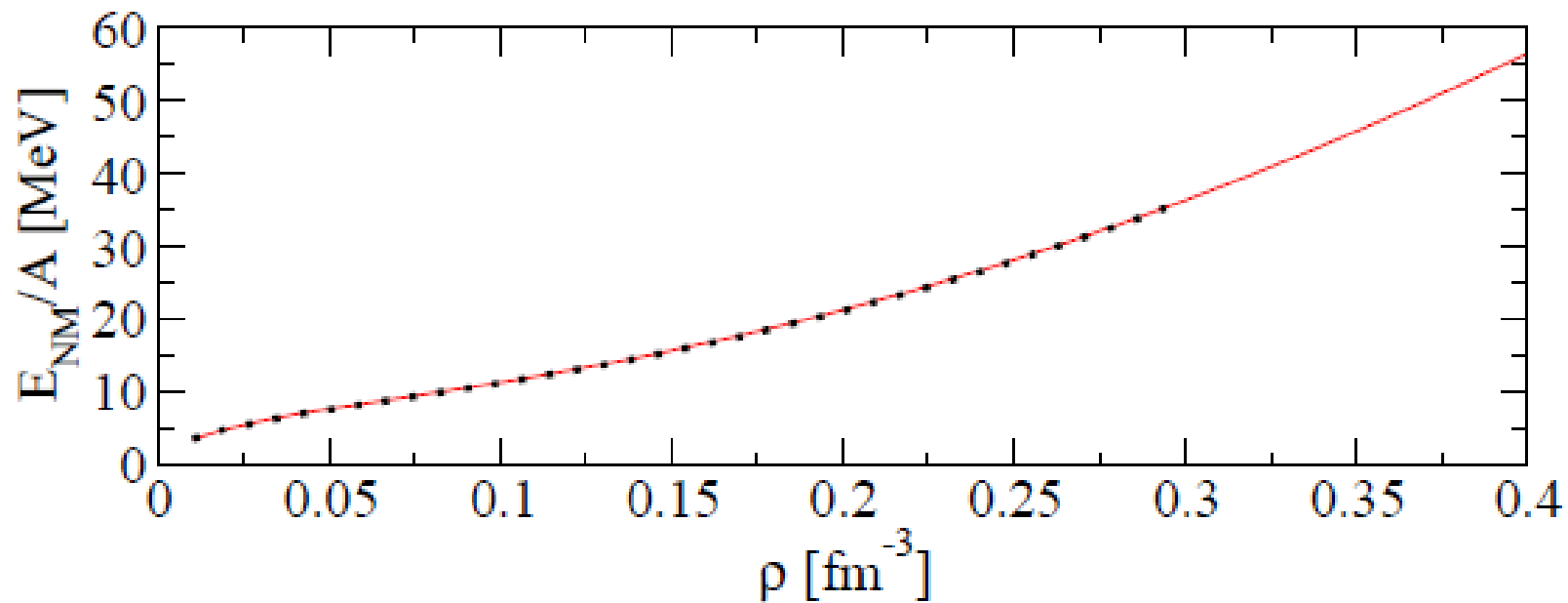
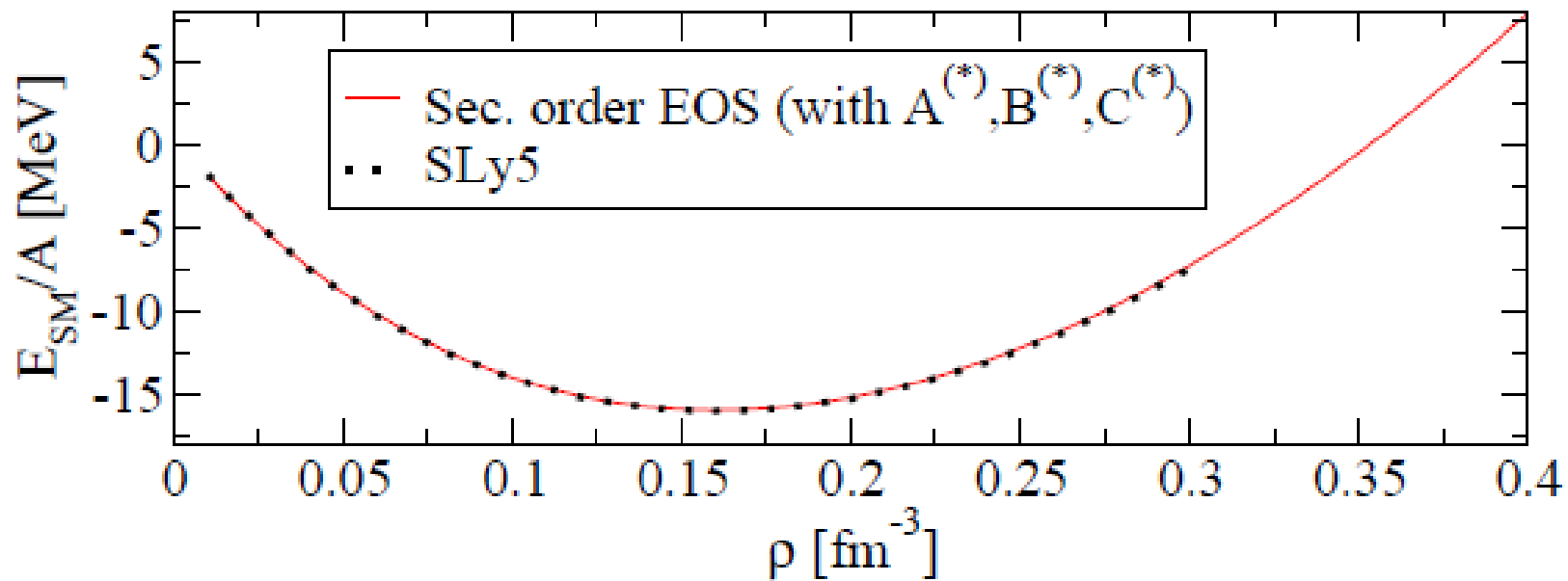
$$\begin{aligned}
 v = & \underbrace{t_0(1+x_0P_\sigma)}_{S\text{-wave } O(0)} + \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{t_1(1+x_1P_\sigma)(k'^2+k^2)}_{S\text{-wave } O(q^2)} + \underbrace{t_2(1+x_2P_\sigma)\mathbf{k}'\cdot\mathbf{k}}_{p\text{-wave } O(q^2)} \\
 & + \frac{1}{6} \underbrace{t_3(1+x_3P_\sigma)\rho^\alpha}_{s\text{-wave, higher body}}.
 \end{aligned}
 \quad
 P_\sigma = \frac{1}{2}(1+\sigma_1\cdot\sigma_2)$$

No pion! Like pionless EFT, except for the density-dependent term.

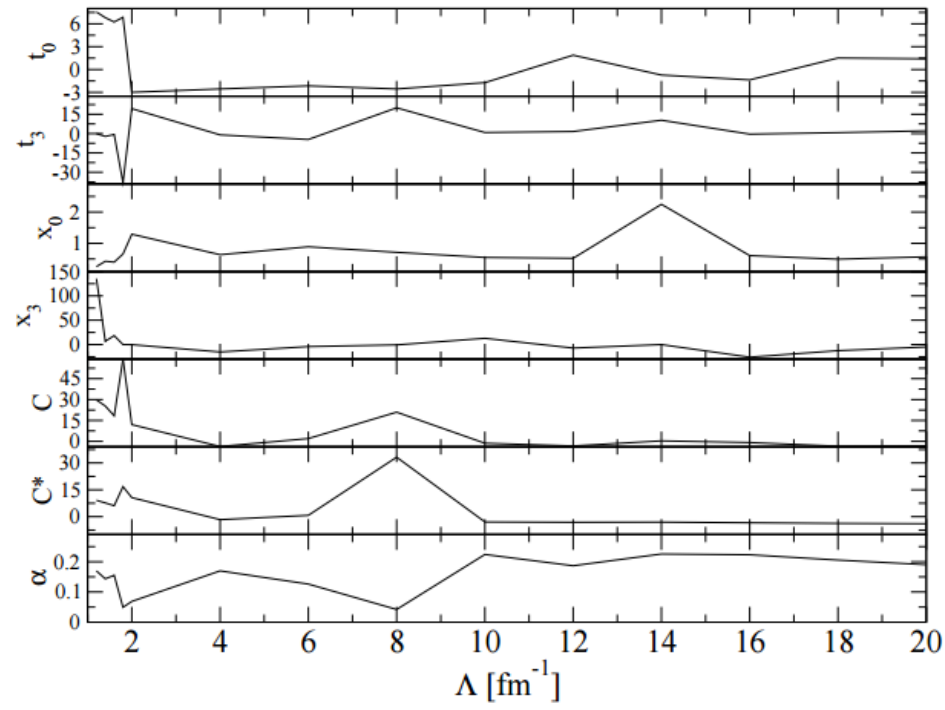
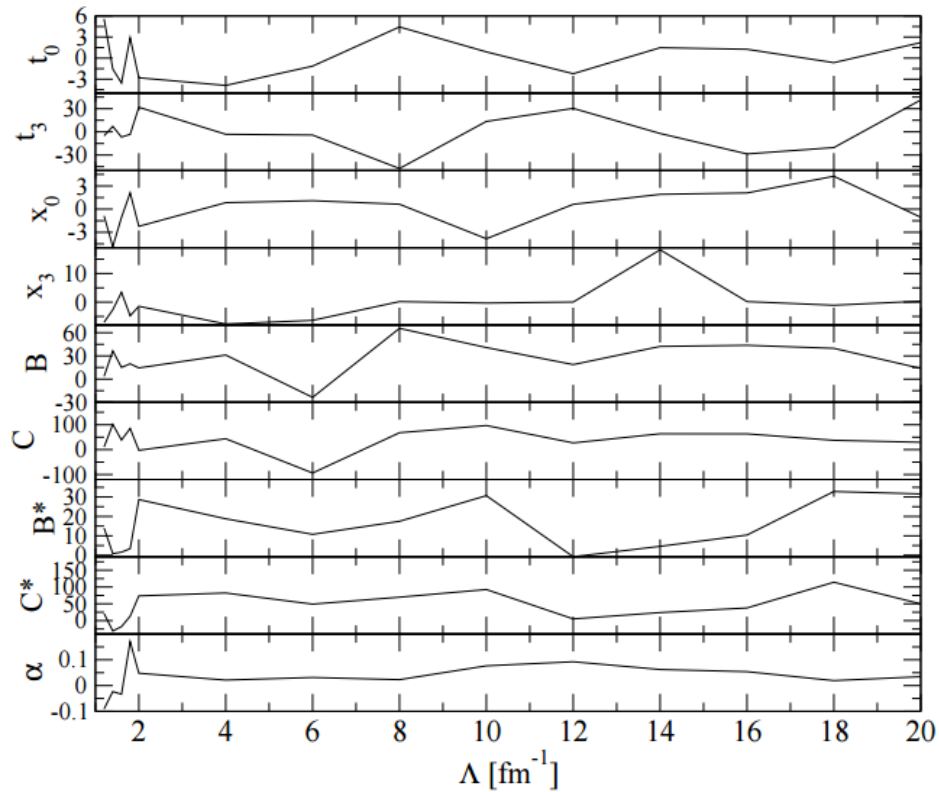
$$EoS: \quad \frac{E}{A} \propto \frac{1}{\rho} \int_0^{k_{F1}} d^3\mathbf{k}_1 \int_0^{k_{F2}} d^3\mathbf{k}_2 v$$



$$\left(\mathbf{k} = \frac{\mathbf{k}_1 - \mathbf{k}_2}{2}, \mathbf{k}' = \frac{\mathbf{k}_1 - \mathbf{k}_2}{2} + \mathbf{q} \right)$$



Parameters v.s. cutoff



Further link between Skyrme and unitarity limit

Compare unitarity expansion:

$$\frac{E}{E_{\text{FG}}} = 1 - \frac{U_0}{1 - (a_s k_F)^{-1} U_1} + \frac{R_0(r_e k_F)}{[1 - R_1(a k_F)^{-1}] [1 - R_1(a_s k_F)^{-1} + R_2(r_e k_F)]}$$

to low ρ expansion:

$$\frac{E^{(1)}}{E_{\text{FG}}} = \frac{10}{9\pi} \underbrace{(\nu - 1)(k_F a_s) + (\nu - 1) \frac{1}{6\pi} (k_F r_e)(k_F a_s)^2}_{\text{can be rewritten in terms of } t_i \text{ and } x_i \text{ in Skyrme}} \quad (\text{here } \nu=2)$$

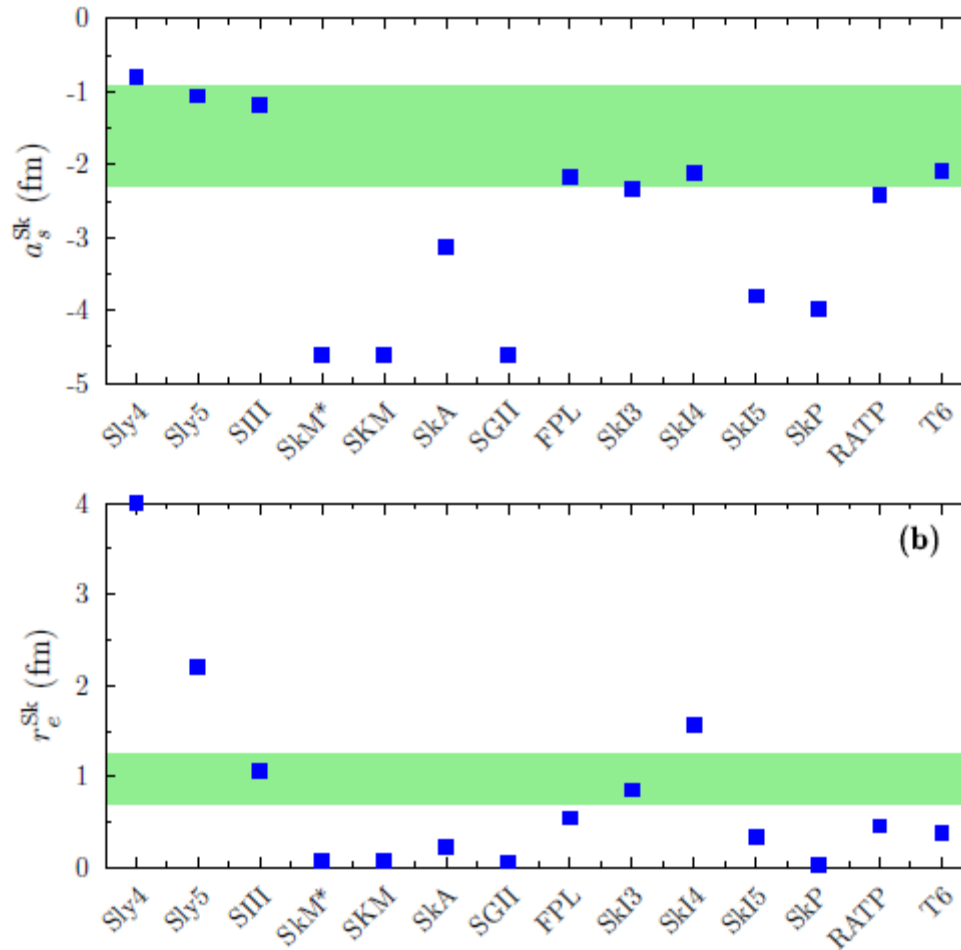
For the first few terms to match each other b/w the above Eqs., then the bare a_s , r_e in the positive power k_F -expansion become ρ -dep.:

$$\tilde{a}_s(k_F) = -\frac{1}{k_F} \frac{U_1}{[1 - (a_s k_F)^{-1} U_1]}, \quad \tilde{r}_e(k_F) = \frac{1}{k_F^3 \tilde{a}_s^2(k_F)} \frac{R_1^2(r_e k_F)}{[1 - R_1(a_s k_F)^{-1}] [1 - R_1(a_s k_F)^{-1} + R_2(r_e k_F)]}$$

Insert values of U_i , R_i from QMC, and vary k_F within typical density relevant to nuclear system $\rho=0.01 \sim 0.2$ [fm^{-3}], one finds:

$$\begin{cases} -2.3 \text{ fm} \leq \tilde{a}_s(\rho) \leq -0.92 \text{ fm}, \\ +0.69 \text{ fm} \leq \tilde{r}_e(\rho) \leq +1.26 \text{ fm}. \end{cases}$$

Compare $\tilde{a}_s(k_F)$, $\tilde{r}_e(k_F)$ generated by QMC and by Skyrme t_i , x_i :



Skyrme-like approaches are not far from the unitarity expansion!