

# No-Core Shell Model for Nuclear Systems with Strangeness

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# Motivation

## Study of hypernuclei

- understanding of baryon–baryon interaction
  - $NY$  not well understood
  - very limited  $NY$  scattering database
  - no  $YY$  scattering data
- light hypernuclei provide important constrains on  $NY$  interaction
- reliable *ab initio* calculations needed

## *Ab initio* hypernuclear calculations

- $A = 3, 4$ : Faddeev & Faddeev–Jakubovsky equations  
(A. Nogga *et al.*, PRL 88 (2002) 172501)
- $A = 4$ : Jacobi-coordinate Gaussian basis  
E. Hiyama *et al.*, PRC 65 (2002) 011301(R)
- $A = 5$ : Stochastic variation with correlated Gaussians  
H. Nemura *et al.*, PRL 89 (2002) 142504

## Methodology: No-core shell model

Brute-force *ab initio* method for bound-state eigenvalue problem of:

$$H = \sum_{i \leq A} T_i + \sum_{i < j \leq A} V_{ij} + \sum_{i < j < k \leq A} V_{ijk}$$

in harmonic oscillator (HO) basis.

### Slater-determinant HO basis

- + starting with antisymmetrized basis
- + second quantization methods
- c.m. degree of freedom present  $\Rightarrow$  huge basis

### relative Jacobi-coordinate HO basis

- + c.m. d.o.f. removed
  - $\Rightarrow$  smaller basis
  - $\Rightarrow$  larger model spaces possible
- basis has to be antisymmetrized

# Methodology: input $V_{NN}$ and $V_{NY}$ potentials

## NN interaction

- chiral N3LO potential  
(Entem, Machleidt, PRC 68 (2003) 041001)

## NY interaction

- chiral LO potential, cutoff  $\Lambda = 500$  MeV  
(Polinder, Haidenbauer, Meißner, NPA 779 (2006) 244)
- explicit  $\Lambda - \Sigma$  mixing:

$$V_{NY} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{N\Lambda-N\Lambda} & V_{N\Lambda-N\Sigma} \\ V_{N\Sigma-N\Lambda} & V_{N\Sigma-N\Sigma} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \Delta m \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Delta m = m_{\Sigma} - m_{\Lambda} \approx 70 \text{ MeV}$$

- NLO in preparation

# Methodology: Isospin-averaged potentials

- Both  $NN$  and  $NY$  potentials defined in `partcile` basis.
- Isospin basis – to keep dimensions as low as possible.

## Isoscalar interactions

$$V_{NN} \longrightarrow \langle TM_T | V_{NN} | TM_T \rangle$$

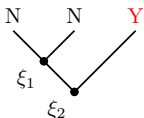
$$V_{NY} \longrightarrow \langle TM_T | V_{NY} | TM_T \rangle$$

$N = n, p; Y = \Lambda, \Sigma^-, \Sigma^0, \Sigma^+$

$T = \text{total isospin}$

- Approx. numerically checked against particle-basis NCSM-SD calculations ([group of R. Roth @ TU Darmstadt](#)).
- $\Delta E \sim 1 \text{ keV}$  for  $A = 3, 4$

# Methodology: $A = 3$ ( ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ ) in Jacobi-coordinate HO basis



$$\xi_0 \propto \text{c.m.}$$

$$\xi_1 = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}(x_1 - x_2)$$

$$\xi_2 = \sqrt{\frac{2mm_Y}{2m + m_Y}} \left[ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{m}}(x_1 + x_2) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{m_Y}}x_3 \right]$$

$$x_i = \sqrt{m_i}r_i$$

- $H(r_1, r_2, r_3) \rightarrow H_{\text{c.m.}}(\xi_0) + H(\xi_1, \xi_2)$

- basis:  $\underbrace{|nlsjt\rangle}_{\text{NN state}}, \underbrace{|\mathcal{N}\mathcal{L}\mathcal{J}\mathcal{T}_Y\rangle}_{\text{Y state } (\Lambda, \Sigma)}, |JT\rangle$

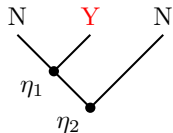
NN state antisymmetric  $\leftarrow (-1)^{l+s+t} = -1$

- modelspace:  $2n + l + 2\mathcal{N} + \mathcal{L} \leq N_{\text{max}}$

- straightforward to calculate  $\langle V_{NN}(\alpha \xi_1) \rangle$  but not  $\langle V_{NY} \rangle \dots$

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... recoupling into:



$$\eta_1 = \sqrt{\frac{mm_Y}{m+m_Y}} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}}x_1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{m_Y}}x_3 \right)$$

$$\eta_2 = \sqrt{\frac{(m+m_Y)m}{2m+m_Y}} \left[ \frac{1}{m+m_Y}(\sqrt{m}x_1 + \sqrt{m_Y}x_3) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}}x_2 \right]$$

- basis:  $|\underbrace{nlsjtt_Y}_{\text{NY state}}, \underbrace{\mathcal{N}\mathcal{L}\mathcal{J}, JT}_{\text{N state}}\rangle$

- straightforward to calculate  $V_{NY}(\eta_1)$

- recoupling coefficient:

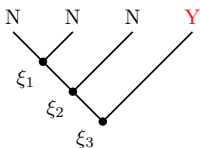
$$\langle n'l's'j't', \mathcal{N}'\mathcal{L}'\mathcal{J}', JT | nlsjt, \mathcal{N}\mathcal{L}\mathcal{J}T_Y, JT \rangle = \sum (-1)^{1+s'+s+\lambda-l'-\mathcal{L}'+1/2+t+t'+t_Y}$$

$$\times \hat{\lambda}^2 \hat{\sigma}^2 \hat{j} \hat{j}' \hat{J} \hat{J}' \hat{s} \hat{s}' \hat{t} \hat{t}' \begin{Bmatrix} l & s & j \\ \mathcal{L} & 1/2 & \mathcal{J} \\ \lambda & \sigma & J \end{Bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} l' & s' & j' \\ \mathcal{L}' & 1/2 & \mathcal{J}' \\ \lambda & \sigma & J \end{Bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 & s \\ 1/2 & \sigma & s' \end{Bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 & t \\ t_Y & T & t' \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\times \langle \mathcal{N}'\mathcal{L}'n'l'\lambda | n\mathcal{L}\mathcal{N}\mathcal{L}\lambda \rangle_{d=\frac{2m+m_Y}{m_Y}}$$



# Methodology: $A = 4$ ( ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ ) in Jacobi-coordinate HO basis



$$\xi_1 = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} (x_1 - x_2)$$

$$\xi_2 = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \left[ \frac{1}{2} (x_1 + x_2) - x_3 \right]$$

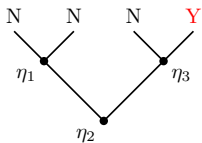
$$\xi_3 = \sqrt{\frac{3mm_Y}{3m+m_Y}} \left[ \frac{1}{3\sqrt{m}} (x_1 + x_2 + x_3) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{m_Y}} x_4 \right]$$

$$x_i = \sqrt{m_i} r_i$$

- basis:  $| \underbrace{NiJ_1 T_1}_{\text{antisymmetric 3N state}}, \overbrace{\mathcal{N}\mathcal{L}\mathcal{J}\mathcal{T}_Y}^{\text{Y state}}, JT \rangle$
  - modelspace:  $N + 2\mathcal{N} + \mathcal{L} \leq N_{max}$
  - $| NiJ_1 T_1 \rangle = \sum \text{cfp}_{A-1}^{A-2,1} | \underbrace{nlsjt}_{NN \text{ state}}, \overbrace{\mathcal{N}\mathcal{L}\mathcal{J}}^{N \text{ state}}, J_1 T_1 \rangle$
- (see e.g. Navrátil *et al.*, PRC 61 (2000) 044001)

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To evaluate interaction matrix elements:



$$\eta_1 = \xi_1$$

$$\eta_2 = \sqrt{\frac{2m(m+m_Y)}{3m+m_Y}} \left[ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{m}}(x_1 + x_2) - \frac{1}{m+m_Y}(\sqrt{m}x_3 + \sqrt{m_Y}x_4) \right]$$

$$\eta_3 = \sqrt{\frac{mm_Y}{m+m_Y}} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}}x_3 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{m_Y}}x_4 \right)$$

- basis:  $\left| \overbrace{nlsjt}^{2N \text{ state}}, \overbrace{(nlsjtt_Y, \mathcal{N}\mathcal{L})}_{NY \text{ state}} \right\rangle_{j_{NY}, JT}$

- straightforward to calculate  $\langle V_{NN}(\alpha \eta_1) \rangle$  and  $\langle V_{NY}(\alpha \eta_3) \rangle$

- recoupling coefficient:

$$\langle n'l's'j't', (nlsjtt_Y, \mathcal{N}'\mathcal{L}') \rangle_{j_{NY}, JT} | NiJ_1 T_1, \mathcal{N}\mathcal{L}\mathcal{J}T, JT \rangle = \sum \text{cfp}_{A-1}^{A-2,1} \left\{ \begin{matrix} T_2 & 1/2 & T_1 \\ \mathcal{T} & T & t \end{matrix} \right\}$$

$$\times \hat{T}_1 \hat{t}_{NY} \hat{\mathcal{J}} \hat{J}_1 \hat{I}_{NY}^2 \hat{j}_{A-2} \hat{s} \hat{j}_{NY} \hat{j} (-1)^{T_2+1/2+T+T+J_2+j_{A-2}+J_1+J+\mathcal{L}+j+l_{A-2}+\mathcal{L}+s}$$

$$\times \left\{ \begin{matrix} l_{A-2} & 1/2 & j_{A-2} \\ \mathcal{L} & 1/2 & \mathcal{J} \\ l_{NY} & s & j_{NY} \end{matrix} \right\} \left\{ \begin{matrix} J_2 & j_{A-2} & J_1 \\ \mathcal{J} & J & j \end{matrix} \right\} \left\{ \begin{matrix} \mathcal{L} & l & l_{NY} \\ s & j_{NY} & j \end{matrix} \right\} \langle nlN'l'l_{NY} | \mathcal{N}\mathcal{L}n_{A-2}l_{A-2}l_{NY} \rangle_{d=\frac{3m+m_Y}{2*m_Y}}$$

# Results

First calculations of  ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$  and  ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$

## Aims

- applicability of NCSM to hypernuclei?
- convergence with  $N_{max}$ ?
  - + chiral  $V_{NN}$  and  $V_{NY}$  very soft
  - $V_{NY}$  weak  $\Rightarrow$  weakly bound systems (esp.  ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ )
- effective interactions necessary?

# Results: Hypertriton without $\Sigma$ mixing

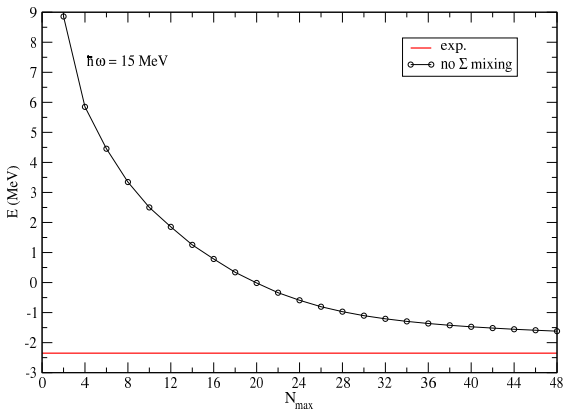


Fig. 1:  ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$  ground state energy dependence on  $N_{max}$ .

- measured  $\Lambda$  separation energy  $E_{\Lambda}^{(\text{exp.})} = 0.13 \pm 0.05$  MeV
- no  $\Sigma$  mixing  $\Rightarrow$   ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$  probably **unbound**

# Results: Hypertriton with $\Sigma$ mixing

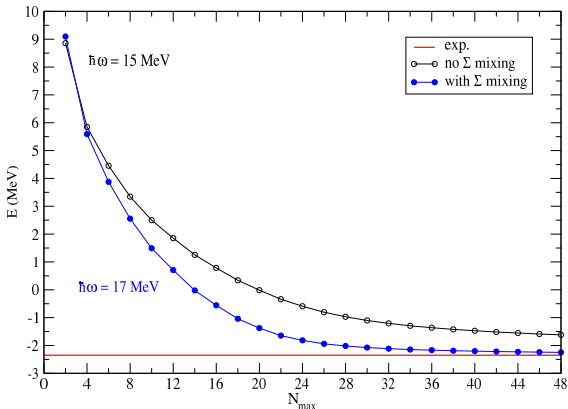


Fig. 2:  ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$  ground state energy dependence on  $N_{max}$ .

- measured  $\Lambda$  separation energy  $E_{\Lambda}^{(\text{exp.})} = 0.13 \pm 0.05$  MeV
- simple extrapolation:  $E = 0.17$  MeV

# Results: similarity renormalization group evolved ${}^3\Lambda$ H

- Series of unitary transformations of the original Hamiltonian  $H$ :

$$H_\lambda = U_\lambda H U_\lambda^\dagger$$

implemented as a flow equation in  $\lambda$ :

$$dH_\lambda/d\lambda = -4/\lambda^5 [[T, H_\lambda], H_\lambda]$$

- low- and high-momentum parts of  $H_\lambda$  being decoupled:

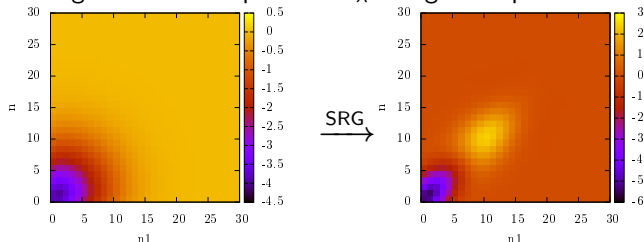


Fig. 3: SRG evolved HO matrix elements of  ${}^1S_0$   $V_{N\Lambda-N\Lambda}$  partial wave.

- improves convergence in many-nucleon systems
- but induces 3- and higher-body forces, not included in the following calculations

# Results: ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ with SRG evolved $NN$ and $NY$ interactions

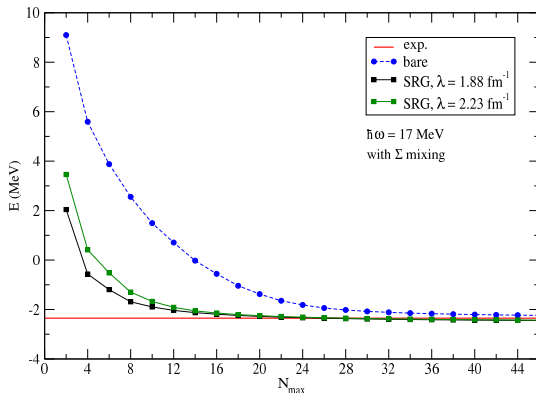


Fig. 4:  ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$  ground state energy dependence on  $N_{max}$ .

- SRG improves convergence
- convergence still slow  $\Leftarrow$  weak binding + wrong Gaussian asymptotics of HO wavefunctions

# Results: ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ with $\Sigma$ mixing

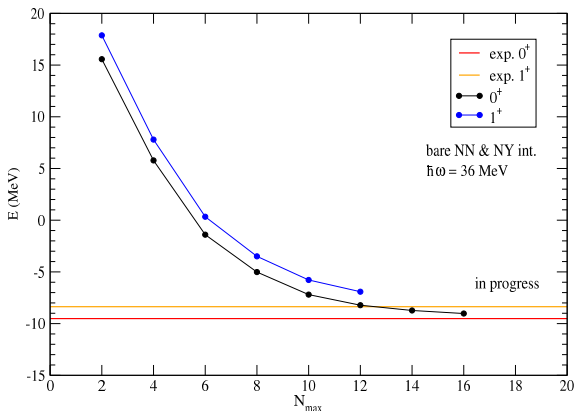


Fig. 5:  ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$  ground state and excited state energy dependence on  $N_{max}$ .

- measured  $\Lambda$  separation energy in  $0^+(1^+)$  state:

$$E_{\Lambda}^{\text{exp.}} = 2.39 \pm 0.03 (1.24 \pm 0.05) \text{ MeV}$$



# Summary & outlook

## Summary

- No-core shell model technique in Jacobi coordinate HO basis developed and applied to **hypernuclear** calculations.
- First results for  ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$  and  ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$ :
  - **slow** convergence of  ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$  with  $N_{max}$  even with effective interactions, as expected from weak binding
  - convergence much faster for  ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$

## Outlook

- extend calculations to  $A \geq 5$  hypernuclei
- other strangeness systems:  $\bar{K}^-$ ,  $\eta$ -nuclei