

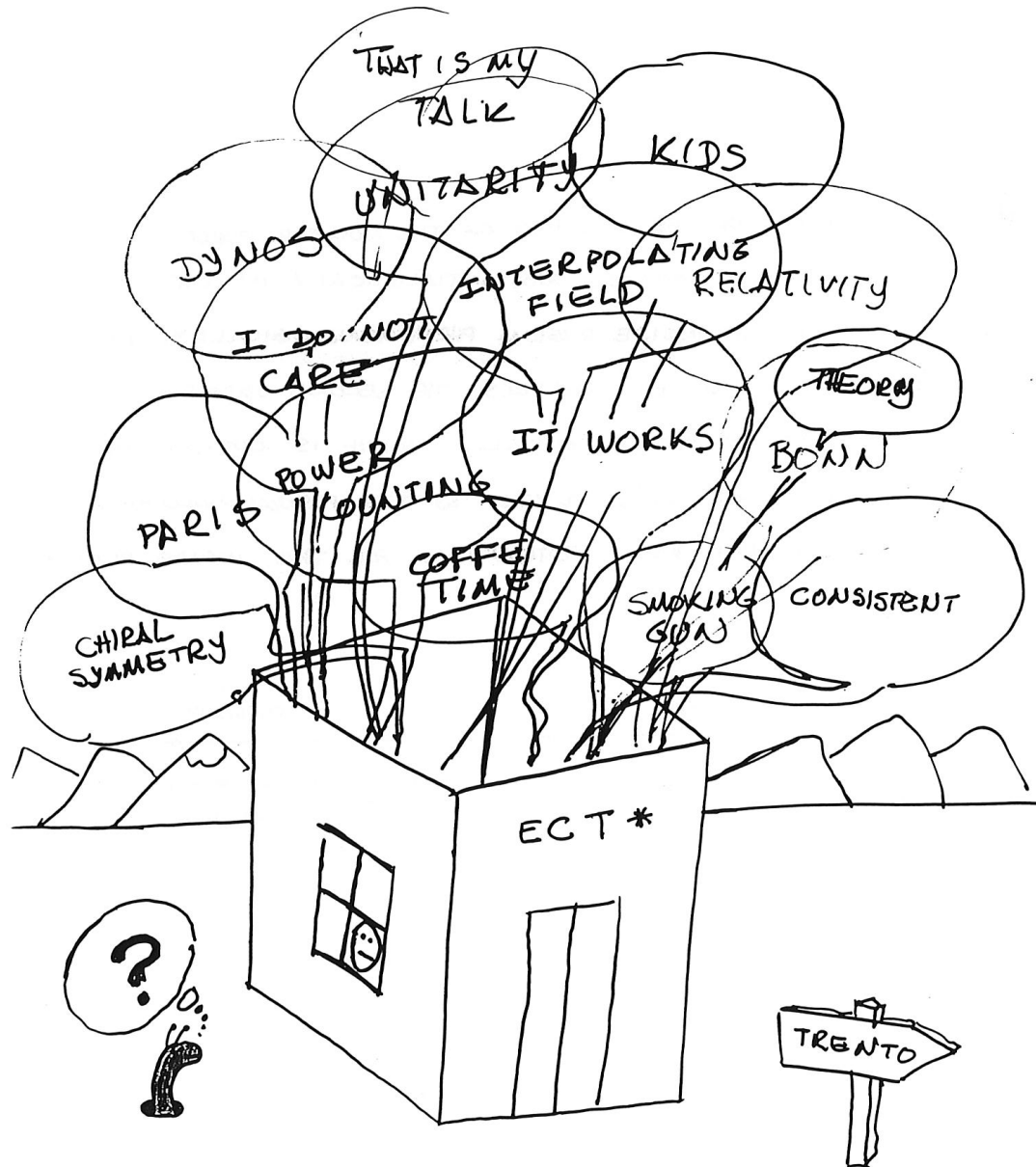
Chiral effective field theory for nuclear forces

Summary day 2

- ChPT = EFT for low-energy QCD
- For GB and 1N processes, the amplitude is obtained perturbatively via an expansion in powers of $|\vec{p}| \sim M_\pi \equiv Q$ (thanks to the spontaneously broken chiral symmetry)
- New feature for 2 and more nucleons: low-lying poles in the amplitude
⇒ certain non-perturbative resummations are unavoidable...



Renormalization, power counting and all that...



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Day 3: Pionless EFT for NN scattering

Kaplan, Savage, Wise, van Kolck, Hammer, Barnea, Braaten, ...

Motivation: **The NN scattering amplitude is calculable analytically** (separable interactions) **and can be renormalized explicitly in the non-perturbative regime**

⇒ an ideal playground to test concepts and methods to be used in chiral EFT

1. Preliminaries: Effective Range Expansion
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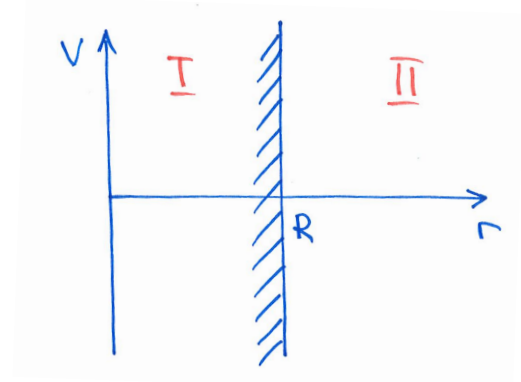
Effective range expansion [Landau, Smorodinsky '44, Schwinger '48, Bethe'49]

1. Preliminaries: Effective range expansion

Consider hard-sphere scattering $V(r) = \begin{cases} \infty, & r > R \\ 0, & r < R \end{cases}$

Radial wave function:

$$\begin{cases} R_{l,p}^I(r) = 0 \\ R_{l,p}^{II}(r) \propto \alpha j_l(pr) + \beta n_l(pr) \end{cases}$$



$$R_{l,p}^{II}(r) \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow \infty} \propto \frac{\sin(pr - l\pi/2 + \delta_l)}{pr} \quad \longrightarrow \quad R_{l,p}^{II}(r) = A \left(\cos \delta_l j_l(pr) - \sin \delta_l n_l(pr) \right)$$

Matching at the boundary: $R_{l,p}^{II}(R) = 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \cot \delta_l(p) = \frac{n_l(pR)}{j_l(pR)}$

For s-wave, one then finds: $p \cot \delta_0(p) = \underbrace{-\frac{1}{R}}_{=: 1/a} + \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\left(\frac{2R}{3}\right)}_{=: r} p^2 + \frac{R^3}{45} p^4 + \dots$

Such an expansion holds for any (regular) short-range potential. The coefficients are specific to the potential. The convergence range is determined by the range of the interaction.

Effective range expansion [Landau, Smorodinsky '44, Schwinger '48, Bethe'49]

The analytic structure of $T_l(E)$ is well known. In addition to the (right-hand) unitarity cut, one observes left-hand cuts specific to V .

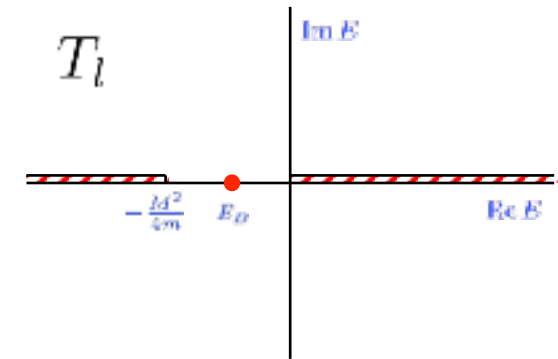
$$V(r) \propto \frac{e^{-Mr}}{r} \quad \left(\text{or } V(\vec{q}) \propto \frac{1}{\underbrace{\vec{q}'^2 - \vec{q}^2}_{\vec{p}' - \vec{p}} + M^2} \right) \rightarrow \text{left-hand cut starts at } p = iM/2$$

(indeed: $T_l(p) \propto \int d(\cos \theta) \frac{1}{2p^2(1 - \cos \theta) + M^2} + \dots$)

Recall: $S_l(p) = e^{2i\delta_l(p)} = 1 - i \frac{mp}{2\pi} T_l(p)$

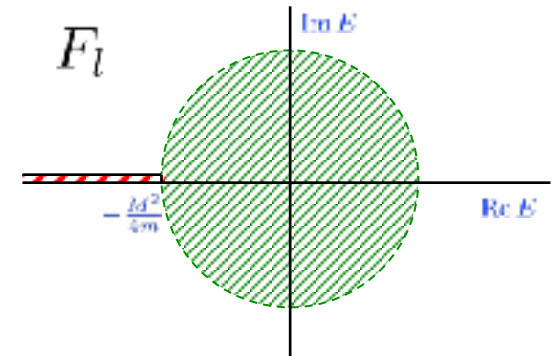
$$\rightarrow T_l(p) = -\frac{4\pi}{m} \frac{1}{p \cot \delta_l(p) - ip} = -\frac{4\pi}{m} \frac{p^{2l}}{\underbrace{F_l(p)}_{p^{2l+1} \cot \delta_l(p)} - ip^{2l+1}}$$

(effective range function)



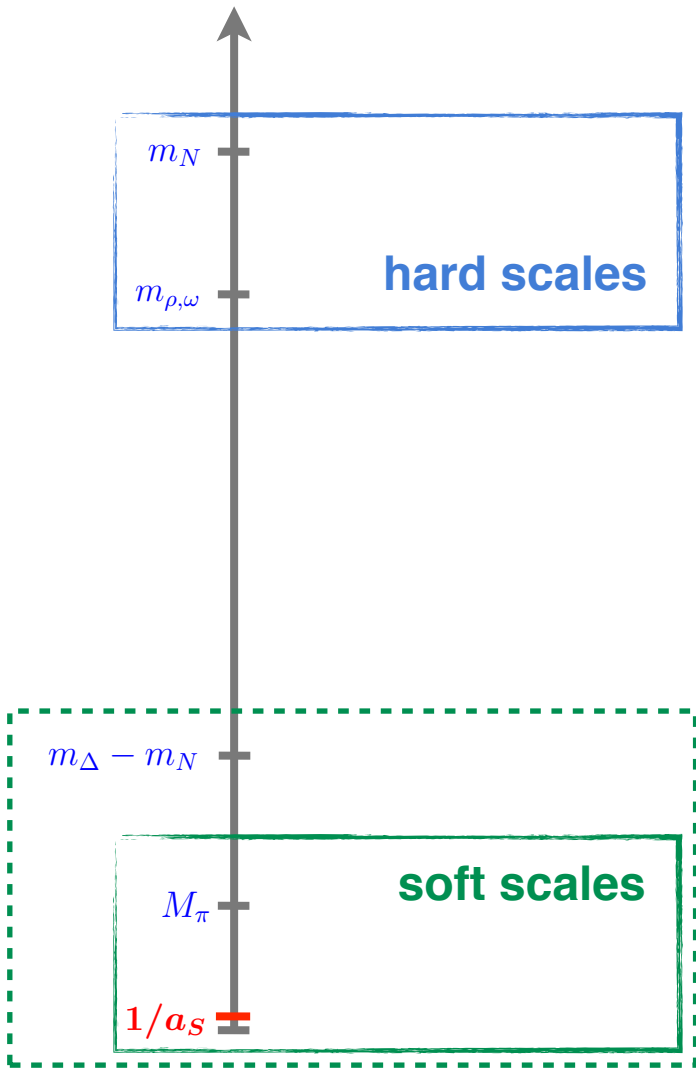
For short-range $V(r)$, $F_l(p)$ is a real meromorphic function of p^2 near the origin

ERE:
$$F_l(p) = -\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{2}rp^2 + v_2p^4 + v_3p^6 + \dots$$



The (maximal) convergence radius is determined by the range M^{-1} of the interaction.

Relevant scales



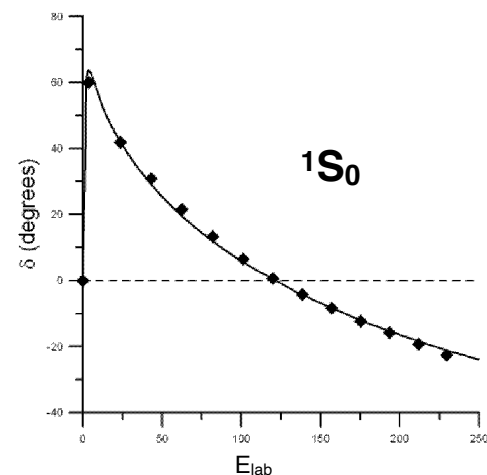
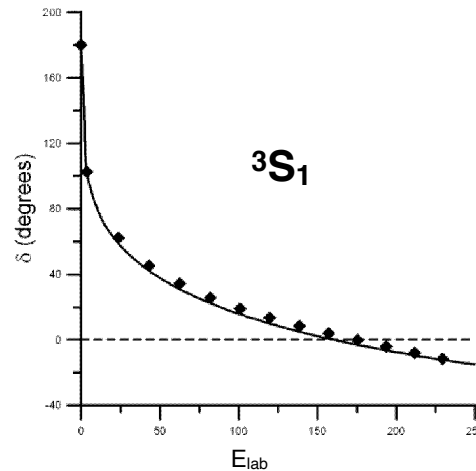
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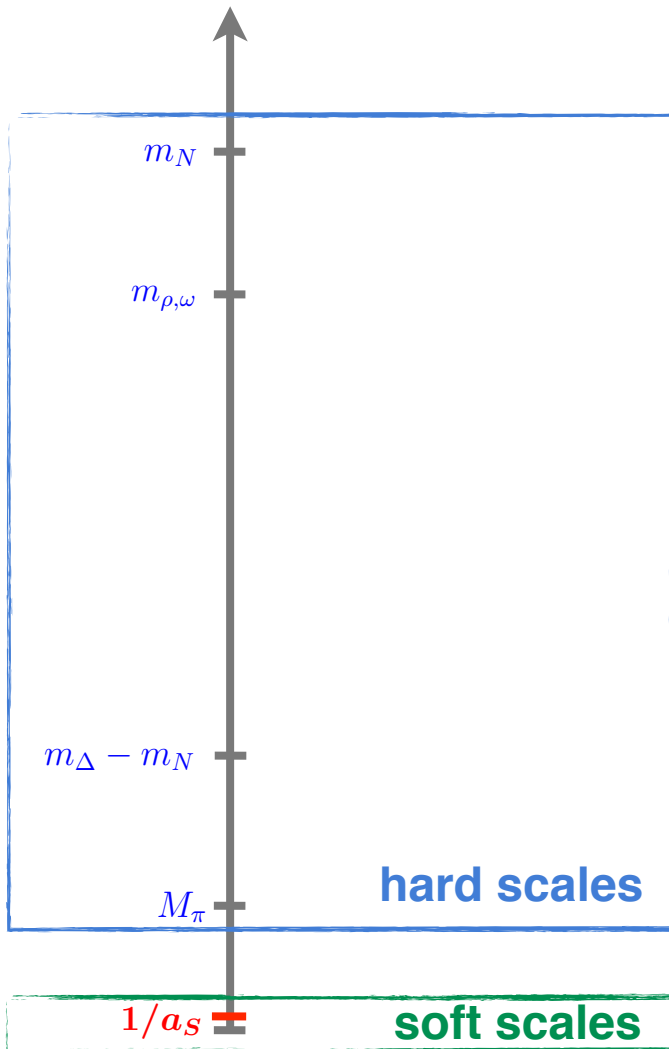
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- **Pionless EFT:**

expansion of the amplitude in powers of $|\vec{p}| \sim 1/a_S$ over $\Lambda \sim M_{\pi}$

Both ERE & π -EFT yield an expansion of the amplitude in $|\vec{p}|/M_{\pi}$, have the same validity range and incorporate the same physics \rightarrow **ERE \sim π -EFT**

Pionless EFT

2. Pionless EFT [Kaplan, Savage, Wise, Nucl. Phys. B534 (1998) 617]

The goal: design an EFT to match ERE (no predictive power for NN beyond ERE)

DoF: nonrelativistic nucleons (use the HB formalism)

Symmetries: rotational invariance, isospin symmetry, usual discrete symmetries...

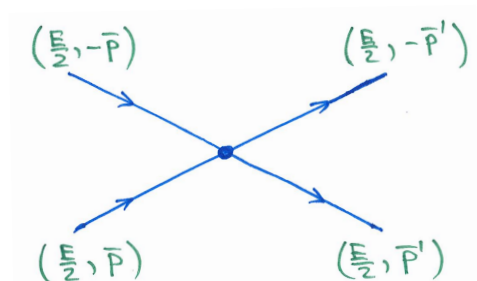
Begin with writing down the most general Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L} = N^\dagger \left(i\partial_0 + \frac{\vec{\nabla}^2}{2m_N} \right) N - \frac{1}{2} C_S (N^\dagger N)^2 - \frac{1}{2} C_T (N^\dagger \vec{\sigma} N)^2 + \underbrace{\dots}_{\text{terms with } \geq 2 \text{ derivatives}}$$

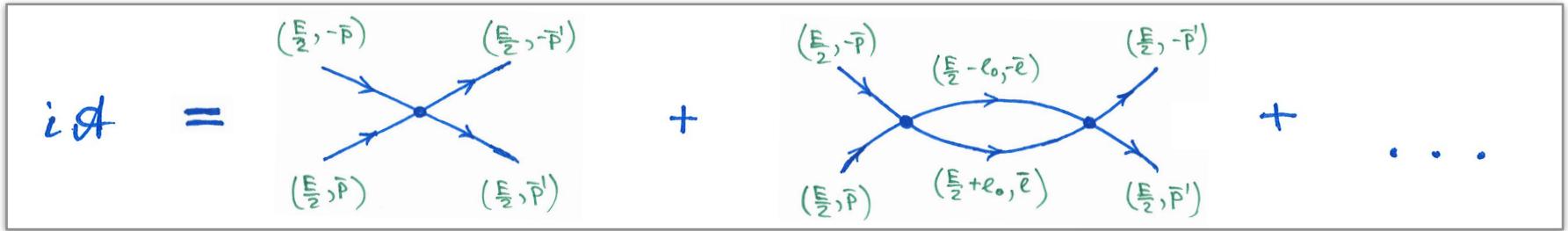
Notice: $(N^\dagger \vec{\tau} N)^2$, $(N^\dagger \vec{\tau} \vec{\sigma} N)^2$ are redundant (Pauli principle). Indeed, in there are only 2 independent s-waves (1S_0 and 3S_1) in the isospin limit...

Feynman rule (ignore spin for the moment...):

$$i\mathcal{A}^{\text{tree}} = -i \underbrace{\left[C_0 + C_2(\vec{p}^2 + \vec{p}'^2) + \dots \right]}_{\text{linear combination of } C_S, C_T}$$



Pionless EFT



$$\begin{aligned}
 i\mathcal{A}^{1\text{-loop}} &= \int \frac{d^4l}{(2\pi)^4} (-i) [C_0 + C_2(\vec{p}^2 + \vec{l}^2) + \dots] \frac{i}{\frac{E}{2} + l_0 - \frac{\vec{l}^2}{2m_N} + i\epsilon} \frac{i}{\frac{E}{2} - l_0 - \frac{\vec{l}^2}{2m_N} + i\epsilon} \\
 &\quad \times (-i) [C_0 + C_2(\vec{l}^2 + \vec{p}'^2) + \dots] \\
 &= (-i) \int \frac{d^3l}{(2\pi)^3} [C_0 + C_2(\vec{p}^2 + \vec{l}^2) + \dots] \frac{1}{E - \frac{\vec{l}^2}{m_N} + i\epsilon} [C_0 + C_2(\vec{l}^2 + \vec{p}'^2) + \dots]
 \end{aligned}$$

Since loop integrals factorize, the results are trivially generalizable to any number of loops. One finds for $E = p^2/m_N$:

$$\mathcal{A}(\vec{p}', \vec{p}) = V(\vec{p}', \vec{p}) - m_N \int \frac{d^3l}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{V(\vec{p}', \vec{l}) \mathcal{A}(\vec{l}, \vec{p})}{\vec{p}^2 - \vec{l}^2 + i\epsilon}$$

sign convention for V, \mathcal{A}

with the potential $V(\vec{p}', \vec{p}) = -(C_0 + C_2(\vec{p}^2 + \vec{p}'^2) + \dots)$. As expected, the nonrelativistic treatment recovers the quantum mechanical Lippmann-Schwinger equation.

Pionless EFT

In the following, we focus on s-wave scattering. Utilizing the KSW notation,

$$i\mathcal{A}^{\text{tree}} = iV(p', p) = -i(C_0 + \underbrace{C_2(p^2 + p'^2)}_{\substack{\text{terms} \sim pp' \\ \text{contribute to } p\text{-waves}}} + \underbrace{\dots}_{\geq 4 \text{ derivatives}})$$

The LS equation for the half-shell amplitude in the s-waves:

$$\mathcal{A}(p', p) = V(p', p) - m \int \frac{d^3l}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{V(p', l) \mathcal{A}(l, p)}{p^2 - l^2 + i\epsilon}, \quad \text{and} \quad S_0 = 1 + i \frac{mp}{2\pi} \mathcal{A}$$

Loop integrals are UV divergent \rightarrow need to specify renormalization scheme...

- DR (+PDS):** $J_n(p) = m \int \frac{d^3l}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{l^{2n}}{p^2 - l^2 + i\epsilon} \xrightarrow{\text{DR}} m \left(\frac{\mu}{2}\right)^{4-d} \int \frac{d^{d-1}l}{(2\pi)^{d-1}} \frac{l^{2n}}{p^2 - l^2 + i\epsilon}$
[KSW '98]

$$= -mp^{2n} (-p^2 - i\epsilon)^{\frac{d-3}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{3-d}{2}\right) \frac{(\mu/2)^{4-d}}{(4\pi)^{\frac{d-1}{2}}} \xrightarrow{d=4} -mp^{2n} \frac{ip}{4\pi}$$

The DR result is finite for $d = 4$ (power-like divergences). Instead of using MS, it is advantageous to subtract poles in $d = 3$ (see later). Then: $J_n(p) = -mp^{2n} \frac{\mu + ip}{4\pi}$.

Pionless EFT

- Cutoff regularization + subtractions:

[Gegelia '98]

$$m \int \frac{d^3l}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{l^{2n}}{p^2 - l^2 + i\epsilon} = \underbrace{-m \int \frac{d^3l}{(2\pi)^3} l^{2n-2}}_{=: I_{2n+1}} - \dots - \underbrace{mp^{2n-2} \int \frac{d^3l}{(2\pi)^3}}_{=: p^{2n-2} I_3} + \underbrace{mp^{2n} \int \frac{d^3l}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{p^2 - l^2 + i\epsilon}}_{=: p^{2n} I(p)}$$

Introduce a sharp cutoff to regularize the integrals:

$$I_n \rightarrow I_n^\Lambda = -m \int \frac{d^3l}{(2\pi)^3} l^{n-3} \theta(\Lambda - l) = -\frac{m \Lambda^n}{2n\pi^2}$$

$$I(p) \rightarrow I^\Lambda(p) = m \int \frac{d^3l}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\theta(\Lambda - l)}{p^2 - l^2 + i\eta} = I_1^\Lambda - \frac{im p}{4\pi} - \frac{mp}{4\pi^2} \ln \frac{\Lambda - p}{\Lambda + p}$$

Separate the loop integrals into divergent & finite parts and take the limit $\Lambda \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} I_n^\Lambda = \lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} \left(I_n^\Lambda + \frac{m\mu_n^n}{2n\pi^2} \right) - \frac{m\mu_n^n}{2n\pi^2} =: \Delta_n(\mu_n) + I_n^R(\mu_n), \quad n = 3, 5, 7, \dots$$

$$\lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} I^\Lambda(p) = \lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} \left(I_1^\Lambda + \frac{m\mu}{2\pi^2} \right) + \left[-\frac{m\mu}{2\pi^2} - \frac{im p}{4\pi} \right] =: \underbrace{\Delta(\mu)}_{\text{divergent}} + \underbrace{I^R(\mu, p)}_{\text{finite}}$$

Notice: PDS corresponds to the particular choice $\mu \rightarrow \mu\pi/2$, $\mu_i = 0$.

Pionless EFT

Having defined renormalization scheme, we still need to specify **renormalization conditions** (i.e. the choice of subtraction scales).

Conventional wisdom suggests: $\mu, \mu_i \sim \text{soft scale} \sim p \ll M_\pi$. [i.e. loop momenta of the order of the soft scale after renormalization...]

Let's calculate the amplitude to two loops assuming NDA scaling of LECs:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{A} = & \underbrace{\text{order } p^0}_{-C_0} - \underbrace{\text{order } p^1}_{\hbar (-C_0)^2 I(p)} + \underbrace{\text{order } p^2}_{\hbar^2 (-C_0)^3 (I(p))^2} + \underbrace{\text{order } p^2}_{(-C_2)2p^2} + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Recall: } I(p) = \underbrace{\lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{m}{2\pi^2} (\mu - \Lambda) \right)}_{= \Delta(\mu)} - \underbrace{\frac{m}{4\pi} \left(ip + \frac{2}{\pi} \mu \right)}_{= I^R(\mu, p)}$$

$$\text{Renormalization: } C_0 = C_0^R(\mu) + \underbrace{\hbar \delta C_{0,1}}_{-(C_0^R)^2 \Delta} + \underbrace{\hbar^2 \delta C_{0,2}}_{(C_0^R)^3 \Delta^2} + \mathcal{O}(\hbar^3)$$

$$\text{Thus, finally: } \mathcal{A} = -C_0^R(\mu) - (C_0^R(\mu))^2 I^R(\mu, p) - (C_0^R(\mu))^3 (I^R(\mu, p))^2 - 2C_2 p^2 + \dots$$

[If all counter terms are included, renormalization amounts to just replacing $C_i \rightarrow C_i^R(\mu)$, $I_{[n]} \rightarrow I_{[n]}^R(\mu)$.]

Pionless EFT

To determine LECs, we have to match the amplitude to the ERE:

$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{4\pi}{m} \frac{1}{p \cot \delta - ip} = \frac{4\pi}{m} \frac{1}{\left[-\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{2}rp^2 + v_2p^4 + \dots\right] - ip}$$

Such matching is, however, only possible for $a, r, v_i \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$. One then has:

$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{4\pi}{m} \left(-a + ia^2p + a^3p^2 - \frac{a^2r}{2}p^2 + \dots \right) \stackrel{!}{=} -C_0^{\text{R}} - C_0^{\text{R}2} \underbrace{I^{\text{R}}(\mu, p)}_{-m/(4\pi)(2\mu/\pi + ip)} - C_0^{\text{R}3} \left(I^{\text{R}}(\mu, p) \right)^2 - 2C_2p^2 + \dots$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} C_0^{\text{R}} = \frac{4\pi a}{m} [1 + \mathcal{O}(a\mu)] \\ C_2 = \frac{\pi a^2}{m} r \end{cases} \quad \text{[Choosing } \mu = 0, \text{ one reproduces exactly the first four terms in the expansion of } \mathcal{A} \dots \text{]}$$

However, in reality, the scattering lengths are large:

$$a_{1S_0} = -23.714 \text{ fm} \sim -16.6 M_\pi^{-1}, \quad a_{3S_1} = 5.42 \text{ fm} \sim 3.8 M_\pi^{-1}$$

Thus, it seems more appropriate to count $a \sim p^{-1}$. This leads to the expansion:

$$\mathcal{A} = -\frac{4\pi}{m} \left[\underbrace{\frac{1}{a^{-1} + ip}}_{\text{order } p^{-1}} + \underbrace{\frac{rp^2}{2(a^{-1} + ip)^2}}_{\text{order } p^0} + \underbrace{\frac{r^2p^4}{4(a^{-1} + ip)^3}}_{\text{order } p} + \dots \right]$$

Pionless EFT

The large scattering length signals non-perturbative physics. In order to accommodate for it, some fine tuning has to be built in the EFT.

The resulting power counting depends on the choice of renormalization conditions!

[for more details see: EE, Gegelia, Meißner, Nucl. Phys. B925 (2017) 161]

Consider a general expansion for the potential: $V = V^{\text{LO}} + V^{\text{NLO}} + V^{\text{N}^2\text{LO}} + \dots$

Want to assign powers of p to match: $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}^{(-1)} + \mathcal{A}^{(0)} + \mathcal{A}^{(1)} + \dots$

LS equation: $\hat{\mathcal{A}}^{(-1)} = \hat{V}^{\text{LO}} - \hat{V}^{\text{LO}} \hat{G}_0 \hat{\mathcal{A}}^{(-1)} \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{A}}^{(-1)} = (1 + \hat{V}^{\text{LO}} \hat{G}_0)^{-1} \hat{V}^{\text{LO}}$

Let: $\hat{V}^{\text{LO}} \sim \mathcal{O}(p^x) \rightarrow 1 + \hat{V}^{\text{LO}} \hat{G}_0 \sim \mathcal{O}(p^{1+x}) \rightarrow \begin{cases} \hat{G}_0 \sim \mathcal{O}(p), & x \leq -1 \\ \hat{G}_0 \sim \mathcal{O}(p^{-x}), & x > -1 \end{cases}$

A desired scaling of \hat{G}_0 can be realized by choosing the renormalization conditions:

• **Weinberg:** $\mu \sim \mathcal{O}(1), \mu_i \sim \mathcal{O}(p) \rightarrow x = 0 \rightarrow V_{\text{Weinberg}}^{\text{LO}} \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$

• **KSW:** $\mu, \mu_i \sim \mathcal{O}(p) \rightarrow x = -1 \rightarrow V_{\text{KSW}}^{\text{LO}} \sim \mathcal{O}(p^{-1})$

Scaling of V^{NLO} can be read off from:

$\hat{\mathcal{A}}^{(0)} = \hat{V}^{\text{NLO}} - \hat{V}^{\text{NLO}} \hat{G}_0 \hat{\mathcal{A}}^{(-1)} - \hat{\mathcal{A}}^{(-1)} \hat{G}_0 \hat{V}^{\text{NLO}} + \hat{\mathcal{A}}^{(-1)} \hat{G}_0 \hat{V}^{\text{NLO}} \hat{G}_0 \hat{\mathcal{A}}^{(-1)} \rightarrow \begin{cases} V_{\text{Weinberg}}^{\text{NLO}} \sim \mathcal{O}(p^2) \\ V_{\text{KSW}}^{\text{NLO}} \sim \mathcal{O}(1) \end{cases}$

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Both choices of the renormalization conditions

- lead to self-consistent approaches,
- are equivalent for pionless EFT (but yield different results in chiral EFT...),
- involve some fine tuning beyond NDA [see: EE, Gegelia, Meißner, NPB 925 (2017) 161]

Leading order (p^{-1}):

$$\mathcal{A}^{(-1)} = \text{contact} - \text{loop} + \text{two-loop} + \dots$$

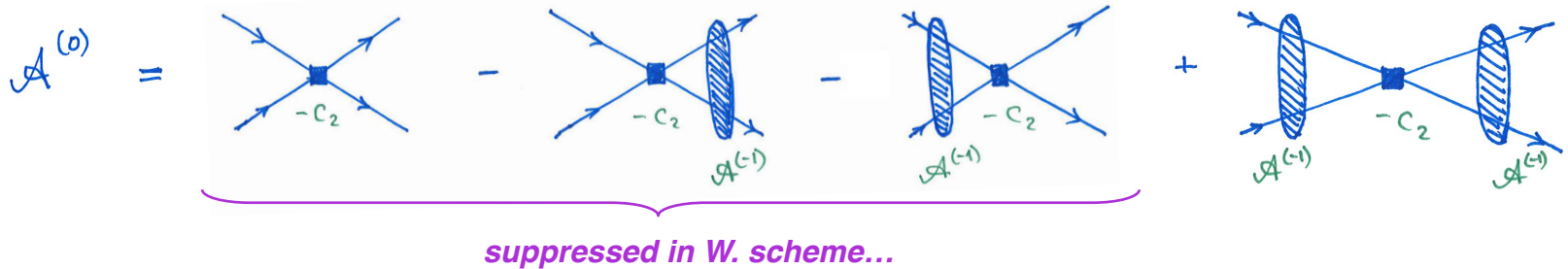
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}^{(-1)} &= -C_0 - C_0^2 I(p) - C_0^3 (I(p))^2 + \dots = -\frac{1}{C_0^{-1} - I(p)} = -\frac{1}{(C_0^R(\mu))^{-1} - I^R(\mu, p)} \\ &= -\frac{4\pi}{m} \frac{1}{\frac{4\pi}{m} (C_0^R(\mu))^{-1} + \frac{2}{\pi} \mu + ip} \stackrel{!}{=} -\frac{4\pi}{m} \frac{1}{a^{-1} + ip} \rightarrow C_0^R = \frac{4\pi}{m} \frac{1}{a^{-1} - \frac{2}{\pi} \mu} \end{aligned}$$

One recovers the Weinberg/KSW scaling of C_0^R depending on the choice of μ :

$$C_0^R \sim \mathcal{O}(1) \text{ for } \mu \sim \mathcal{O}(1); \quad C_0^R \sim \mathcal{O}(p^{-1}) \text{ for } \mu \sim \mathcal{O}(p).$$

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Subleading order (p^0):



The subleading amplitude (including terms suppressed in W. scheme) reads:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}^{(0)} &= -2C_2 p^2 - 2 \left(-C_2(p^2 I(p) + \underbrace{J_1(p)}_{= -I_3 + p^2 I(p)}) \right) \mathcal{A}^{(-1)} - 2C_2 J_1(p) I(p) (\mathcal{A}^{(-1)})^2 \\ &= -2C_2 p^2 - 2 \left(-C_2(p^2 I(p) + J_1(p)) \right) \mathcal{A}^{(-1)} - 2C_2 J_1(p) I(p) (\mathcal{A}^{(-1)})^2 \\ &= -I_3 + p^2 I(p) \end{aligned}$$

For the sake of simplicity, choose $\mu_3 = 0$ (so that $I_3^R = 0$).

After renormalization ($I(p) \rightarrow I^R(\mu, p)$, $C_2 \rightarrow C_2^R(\mu)$), one finds:

$$\mathcal{A}^{(0)} = -2 C_2^R p^2 \frac{\left(a^{-1} - \frac{2}{\pi}\mu\right)^2}{\left(a^{-1} + ip\right)^2} \stackrel{!}{=} -\frac{4\pi}{m} r p^2 \frac{1}{2\left(a^{-1} + ip\right)^2} \rightarrow C_2^R = \frac{\pi}{m} \frac{r}{\left(a^{-1} - \frac{2}{\pi}\mu\right)^2}$$

Again, we recover: $C_2^R \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$ for $\mu \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$; $C_2^R \sim \mathcal{O}(p^{-2})$ for $\mu \sim \mathcal{O}(p)$.

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3. Wilsonian RG analysis Birse et al.; Harada et al.

Lippmann-Schwinger equation for the off-shell K-matrix

$$K(k', k, p) = V(k', k, p, \Lambda) + 2M \mathcal{P} \int \frac{d^3l \theta(\Lambda - l)}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{V(k', l, p, \Lambda) K(l, k, p)}{p^2 - l^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial \Lambda} = \frac{M}{\pi^2} V(k', \Lambda, p, \Lambda) \frac{\Lambda^2}{\Lambda^2 - p^2} V(\Lambda, k, p, \Lambda)$$

Express all low-energy scales in units of Λ , $\hat{V}(\hat{k}', \hat{k}, \hat{p}, \Lambda) := \frac{M \Lambda}{\pi^2} V(\Lambda \hat{k}', \Lambda \hat{k}, \Lambda \hat{p}, \Lambda)$,
to obtain the RG equation for the rescaled potential:

$$\Lambda \frac{\partial \hat{V}}{\partial \Lambda} = \hat{k}' \frac{\partial \hat{V}}{\partial \hat{k}'} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial \hat{V}}{\partial \hat{k}} + \hat{p} \frac{\partial \hat{V}}{\partial \hat{p}} + \hat{V}(\hat{k}', \hat{k}, \hat{p}, \Lambda) + \hat{V}(\hat{k}', 1, \hat{p}, \Lambda) \frac{1}{1 - \hat{p}^2} \hat{V}(1, \hat{k}, \hat{p}, \Lambda)$$

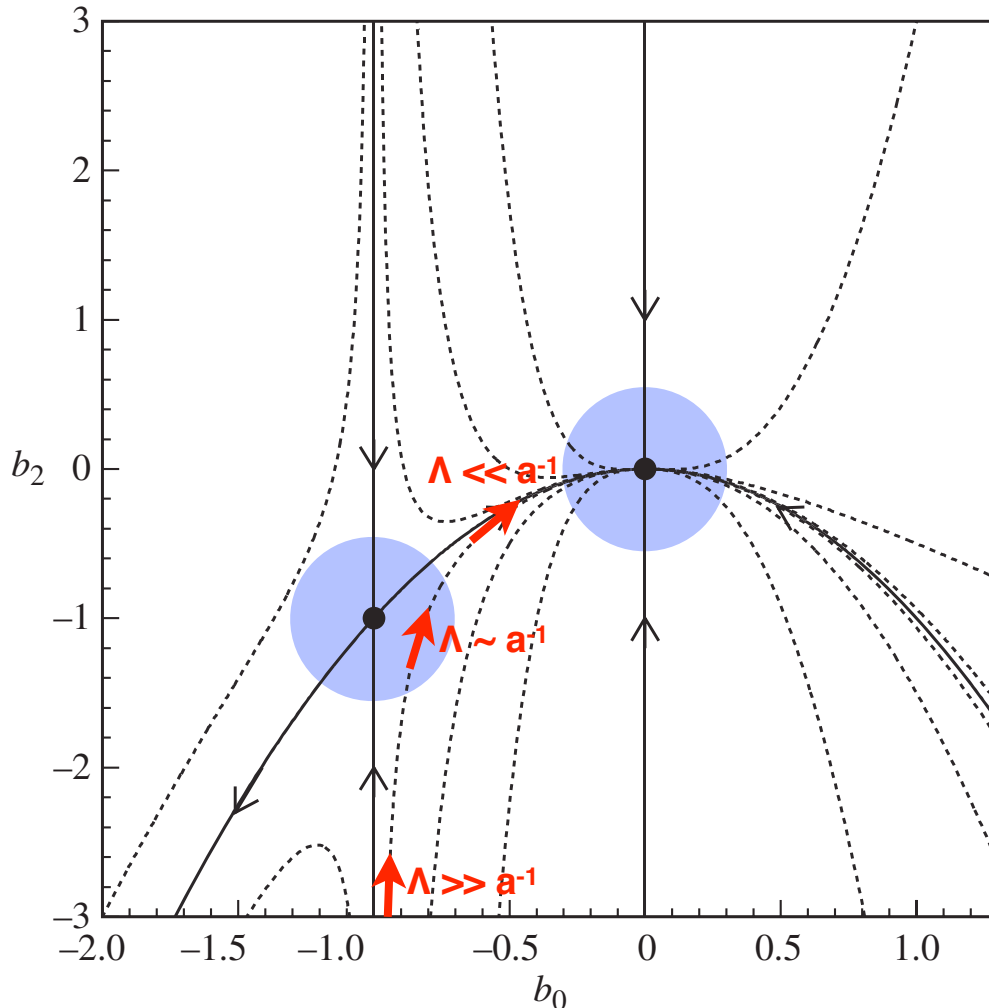
For $\Lambda \rightarrow 0$, the system approaches a fixed point (scale-invariant solutions):

- trivial: $\hat{V} = 0$ (stable, no scattering)
- non-trivial, p-dependent: $\frac{1}{\hat{V}} = -1 + \frac{\hat{p}}{2} \ln \frac{1 + \hat{p}}{1 - \hat{p}}$ (unstable, unitary limit)

Notice: there exist infinitely many other fixed points [Birse, EE, Gegelia '16]

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Power counting can be identified by considering perturbations around the fixed points, e.g. of the form $\sim p^{2n}$.



RG flow of the potential

$$\hat{V}(\hat{p}, \Lambda) = b_0(\Lambda) + b_2(\Lambda)\hat{p}^2 + \dots$$

(from: Birse, *Phil. Trans. R. Soc. A* (2011)
369, 2662-2678)

The power counting near the nontrivial fixed point is found to agree with the KSW one (same choice of renorm. conditions...)

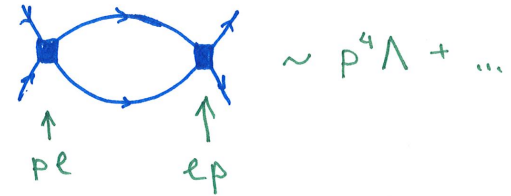
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4. Finite-cutoff EFT for pionless theory

Suppose, one needs to include the range term **nonperturbatively** (e.g. one wants describe p-wave resonance).

Problem: need infinite number of counter terms...

Fortunately, that's not the end of EFT!

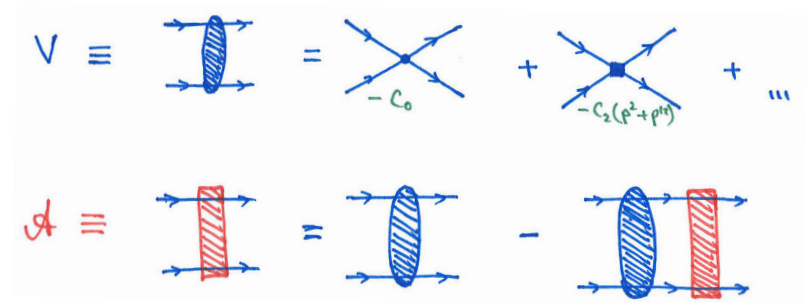


„The theory is fully specified by the values of the bare constants once a suitable regularization procedure is chosen. In principle, the renormalization program is straightforward: one calculates quantities of physical interest in terms of the bare parameters at given, large value of (ultraviolet cutoff) Λ . Once a sufficient number of physical quantities have been determined as functions of the bare parameters one inverts the result and expresses the bare parameters in terms of physical quantities, always working at some given, large value of Λ . Finally, one uses these expressions to eliminate the bare parameters in all other quantities of physical interest.“

Gasser, Leutwyler, Phys. Rep. **87** (1982) 77

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Define the contact potential; introduce a UV cutoff $\Lambda \sim M_\pi$; solve the LS equation; tune **bare** LECs $C_0(\Lambda)$, $C_2(\Lambda)$ to a , r .



For a sharp cutoff, one finds at NLO:

$$mC_0 = \frac{6\pi^2 (\beta - 6\sqrt{3}\sqrt{\alpha(\pi - 2a\Lambda)^2})}{5\alpha\Lambda}, \quad mC_2 = \frac{6\pi^2 (\sqrt{3}\sqrt{\alpha(\pi - 2a\Lambda)^2} - \alpha)}{\alpha\Lambda^3}$$

where I have introduced:

$$\alpha \equiv 16a^2\Lambda^2 - \pi a\Lambda (a\Lambda^2 r + 12) + 3\pi^2, \quad \beta \equiv 64a^2\Lambda^2 - \pi a\Lambda (3a\Lambda^2 r + 62) + 18\pi^2$$

Implicitly renormalized expression for the inverse amplitude:

$$\frac{4\pi}{m} \frac{1}{\mathcal{A}(p)} = \left[-\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{2}rp^2 + \frac{\pi(8 - 3a\Lambda^2 r(\pi\Lambda r - 8)) - 64a\Lambda}{12\pi\Lambda^3(\pi - 2a\Lambda)} p^4 + \mathcal{O}(p^6) \right] - ip$$

→ well-defined & correct (up to higher-order terms) result for $\Lambda \sim r^{-1} \sim M_\pi$;
things may (and generally will!) go wrong for $\Lambda \gg r^{-1}$
 (complex C_i , Wigner bound, peratization...)

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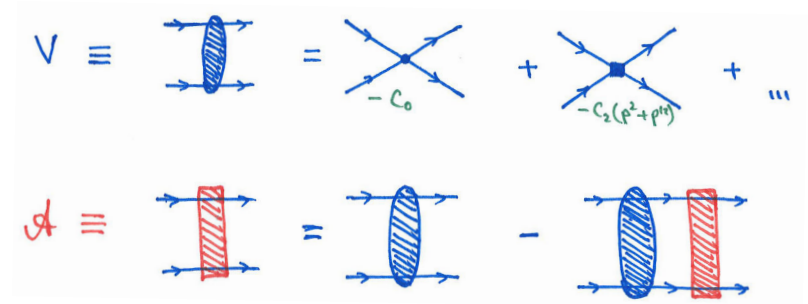
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Notice:

- Contrary to the previous cases, not all c.t. needed to remove UV divergences are included \rightarrow it is not legitimate to take the limit $\Lambda \rightarrow \infty$.
- Higher-order terms are indeed small provided $\Lambda \sim$ hard scale (NDA...).
- **Implicit renormalization** (i.e. no explicit splitting of C_i into $C_i^R(\mu)$ and $\Delta(\mu)$).
- The bare LECs $C_i(\Lambda)$ must be re-fitted at every order.

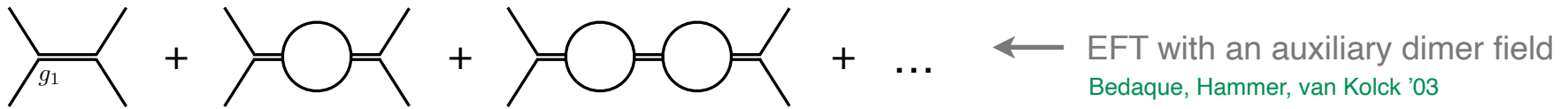
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4. Application to fine-tuned P-wave systems EE et al., Few-Body Syst. 62 (2021) 51

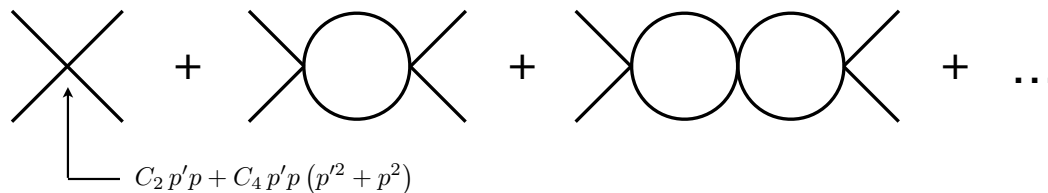
Scattering amplitude:
$$T(k) \propto \frac{k^2}{(-1/a + rk^2/2 + v_2k^4 + \dots) - ik^3}$$

Single fine tuning: $1/a \sim M_{\text{lo}}^2 M_{\text{hi}}, \quad r \sim M_{\text{hi}}, \quad v_n \sim M_{\text{hi}}^{3-2n}$

Double fine tuning: $1/a \sim M_{\text{lo}}^3, \quad r \sim M_{\text{lo}}, \quad v_n \sim M_{\text{hi}}^{3-2n}$



How to set up an EFT without the dimer field?



Pionless EFT

The choice of renormalization conditions leading to a *consistent* EFT (i.e., the size of all contributions beyond the fine-tuned one is determined *a priori* by the power counting)

$$\mu_1 \sim \mu_3 \sim M_{\text{hi}}, \quad \mu_5 \sim \mu_7 \sim \mu_9 \sim \dots \sim M_{\text{lo}}$$

← Weinberg-like setup with all renormalized LECs scaling according to NDA

EFT expansion for the amplitude for the double-fine-tuned scenario:

$$T^{(-1)} \equiv \text{[Diagram: Blue vertical bar]} = \text{[Diagram: Ellipse]} + \text{[Diagram: Two ellipses with a vertex]} + \text{[Diagram: Three ellipses with two vertices]} + \text{[Diagram: Four ellipses with three vertices]} + \dots$$

← fine-tuning for C_4 : $T^{(0)} \rightarrow T^{(-1)}$

$$\text{with } \text{[Diagram: Ellipse]} = \text{[Diagram: Cross]} + \text{[Diagram: Circle with two vertices]} + \text{[Diagram: Two circles with two vertices]} + \dots$$

← fine-tuning for C_2 : $T^{(2)} \rightarrow T^{(0)}$

$$T^{(0)} = \text{[Diagram: Blue vertical bar with a circle]} + \text{[Diagram: Blue vertical bar with a vertex]}$$

$$T^{(1)} = \text{[Diagram: Blue vertical bar with a circle and a vertex]} + \text{[Diagram: Blue vertical bar with a vertex and a circle]} + \text{[Diagram: Blue vertical bar with a vertex and a circle]} + \text{[Diagram: Blue vertical bar with a vertex]} + \text{[Diagram: Blue vertical bar with a vertex]}$$

For explicit results up to order $\mathcal{O}(Q^6)$, also for the less fine-tuned scenario, see the paper.

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Further observations:

- the obtained results are equivalent to the formulation with the dimer field
- EFT works for both energy dependent and energy-independent interactions (as it should)
- contrary to the case of S-waves, the KSW-like formulation ($\mu_i \sim M_{10}, \forall i$) is not possible for the considered scenario
- The RG analysis reproduces the scaling of the amplitude (double fine tuned case = expansion about the unitary fixed point)

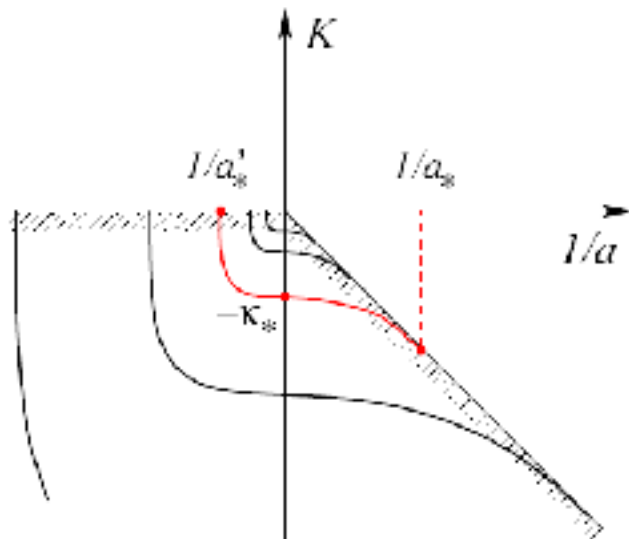
$$\hat{V}(\hat{p}', \hat{p}, \hat{k}, \Lambda) = \hat{p}' \hat{p} \hat{\omega}(\hat{k}, \Lambda) \quad \hat{\omega}_U(\hat{k}) = \frac{-6}{2 + 6\hat{k}^2 - 3\hat{k}^3 \ln \frac{1+\hat{k}}{1-\hat{k}}}$$

- The finite-cutoff EFT formulation can reproduce the less fine tuned scenario if $\Lambda \sim M_{\text{hi}}$. For $\Lambda \gg M_{\text{hi}}$, this is not possible...

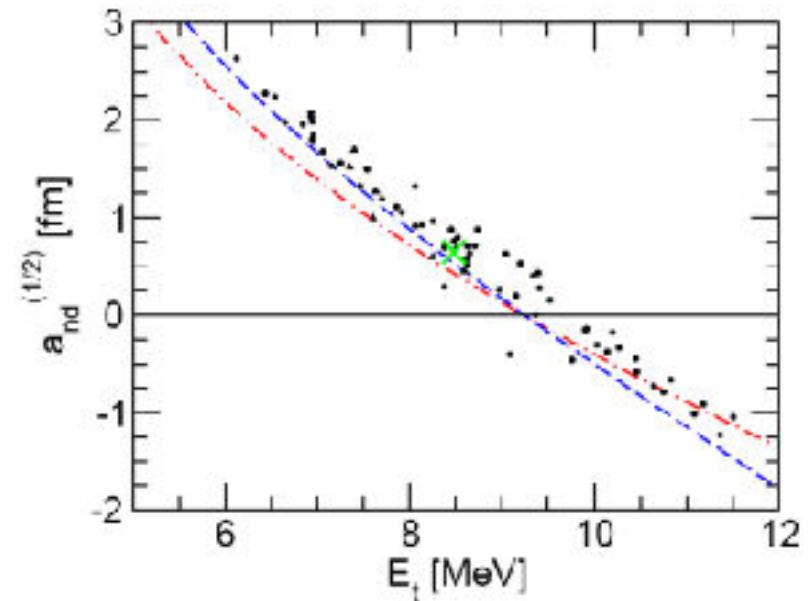
Pionless EFT: (some) applications

- Astrophysical reactions [Butler, Chen, Kong, Ravndal, Rupak, Savage, ...](#)
- Efimov physics and universality in few-body systems with large 2-body scatt. length (e.g. Phillips/Tjon „lines“) [Braaten, Hammer, Meißner, Platter, von Stecher, Schmidt, Moroz, ...](#)
- Halo-nuclei [Bedaque, Bertulani, Hammer, Higa, van Kolck, Phillips, ...](#)
- Parity violation [Schindler, Springer, Vanasse, ...](#) any many other topics...

Efimov effect (3-body spectrum)



Phillips line



Summary Day 3

In the NN sector, pionless EFT = effective range expansion

Power counting applies to renormalized diagrams and depends on the choice of renormalization conditions!

Nucleon-nucleon scattering is fine-tuned (blame QCD...)

EFT can be set up to discussed fine-tuned NN S-wave scattering. We discussed the KSW-choice (fine tuning realized in LECs enhanced beyond NDA) and Weinberg-like choice (all LECs are natural). Both choices are equivalent in that case but suggest different extensions to pionful EFT.

RG analysis gives one the scaling of the amplitude (already known in the case of pionless EFT).

Also discussed finite-cutoff EFT a la Lepage and clarified the meaning of (implicit) renormalization.