

Quantum Monte Carlo for Chiral Effective Field Theory potentials

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Outline of the talk

- Motivations
 - χ -EFT interactions
 - Monte Carlo and non-local potentials
- Configuration Interaction Monte Carlo
 - Quantum Monte Carlo in 2nd quantization
 - Sign-Problem and Coupled Cluster wave-functions
- Applications
 - (Benchmark) Coulomb gas in momentum-space
 - Neutron matter

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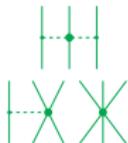
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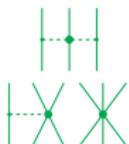
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- **non–local** in coordinate–space (\geq NLO)

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$$\rightarrow T\Psi(x) + \int dy V(x, y) \Psi(y)$$

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Locality is needed for conventional QMC

Gezerlis et al. , PRL 111, 032501 (2013)

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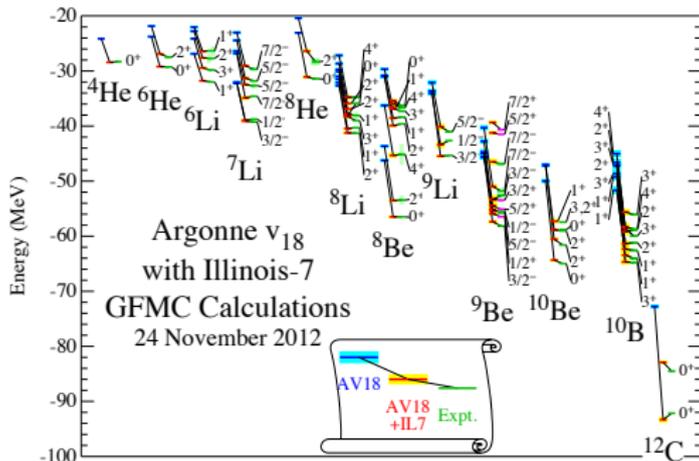
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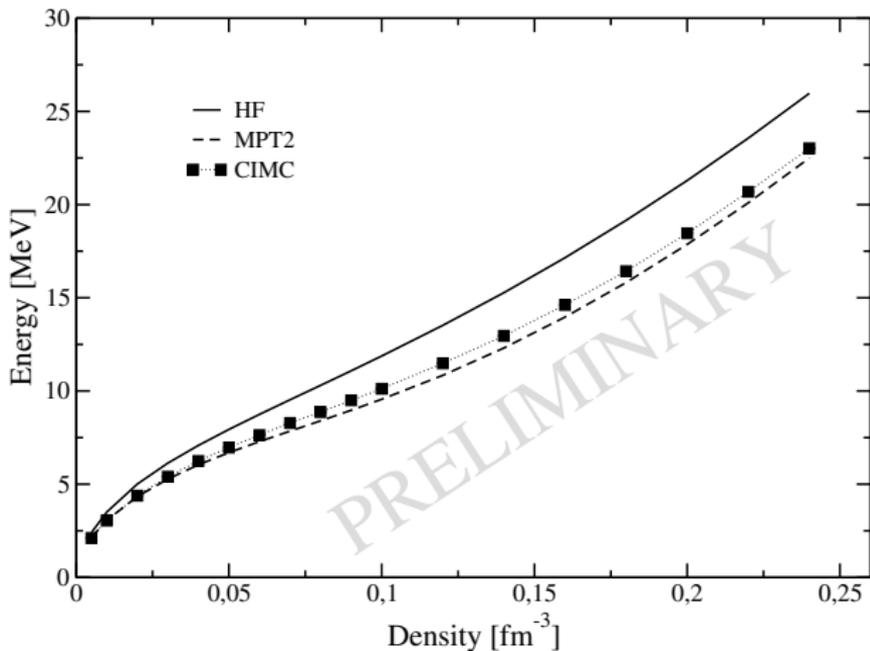
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Neutron Matter with χ -EFT interactions at N2LO

We considered χ -EFT interaction at N2LO using the LEC coming from the optimized *POUNDerS* analysis [Ekstrom et al., PRL 110, 192502 (2013)]



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→ we found an efficient way to use
Coupled Cluster wave-functions!!



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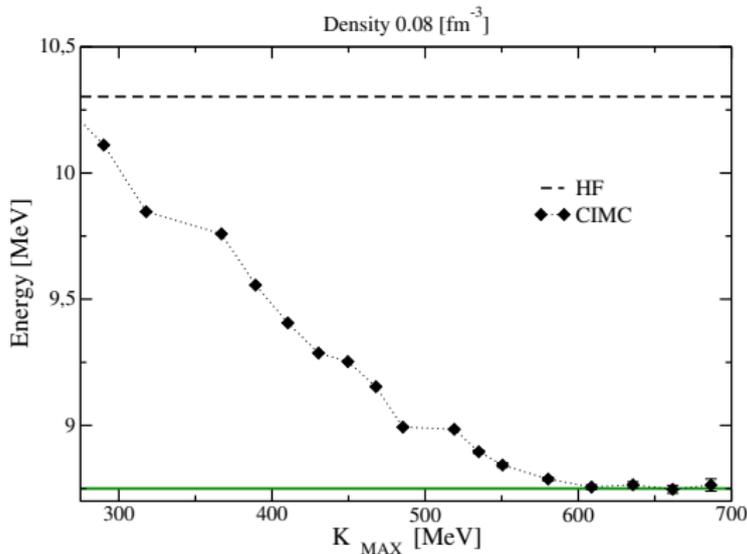
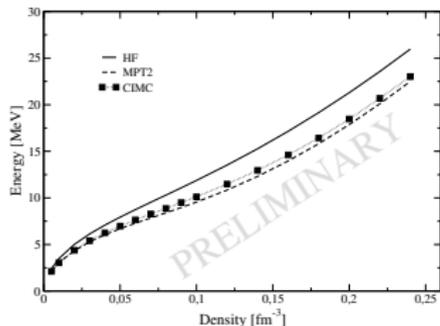
CIMC can be extended to the complex case, preserving

$$\langle \Psi_0 | \hat{H} | \Psi_0 \rangle \leq \langle \Psi_{CIMC} | \hat{H} | \Psi_{CIMC} \rangle \leq \langle \Psi_T | \hat{H} | \Psi_T \rangle$$



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Thanks for your attention

Wave-functions for Importance Sampling

A very accurate way to account for correlations in a generic Fock-space is the Coupled Cluster ansatz:

$$|\Psi_T\rangle = e^{-\hat{T}}|\Phi_{HF}\rangle \quad \text{with} \quad \hat{T} = \hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2 + \dots$$

Here we will restrict to CCD case: $\hat{T} = \hat{T}_2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij,ab} t_{ij}^{ab} \hat{a}_a^\dagger \hat{a}_b^\dagger \hat{a}_j \hat{a}_i$.

Is the CCD wave-function even quick to evaluate in SD space?

We need to calculate

$$\Phi_{\text{CCD}}^m (\begin{smallmatrix} p_1 p_2 \dots p_m \\ h_1 h_2 \dots h_m \end{smallmatrix}) = \Phi_{\text{CCD}}(\mathbf{n}) \quad \text{for} \quad |\mathbf{n}\rangle = a_{p_1}^\dagger \dots a_{p_m}^\dagger a_{h_1} \dots a_{h_m} |\Phi_{\text{HF}}\rangle$$

It turns out that one can write a **recursive formula** ([arXiv:1304.1549])

$$\Phi_{\text{CCD}}^m (\dots) = \sum_{\gamma=2}^m \sum_{\mu < \nu}^m (-)^{\gamma+\mu+\nu} t_{h_1 h_\gamma}^{p_\mu p_\nu} \Phi_{\text{CCD}}^{m-2} (\dots)$$

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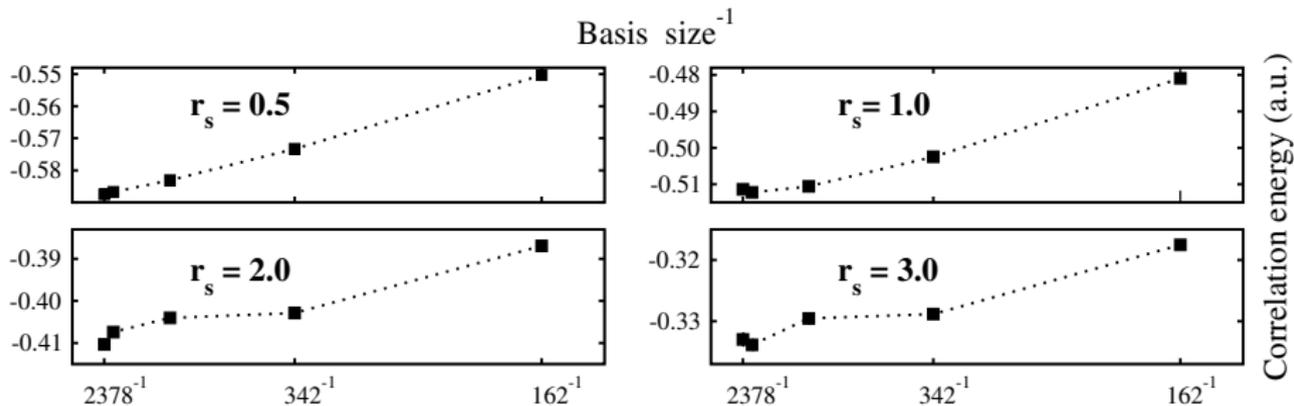
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Results compare well with R-space MC with *state of the art* WF.