

Phase-space representation for nuclear potentials

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Outline

Nucleon-nucleon interaction

- Realistic NN potentials
- Unitary transformations and effective interactions

Phase-space representation

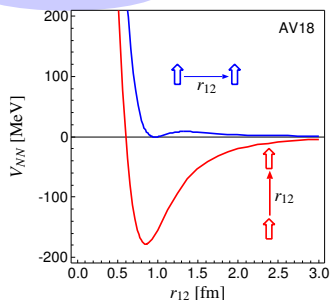
- Kirkwood representation
- Momentum dependence in phase-space representation
- Results for realistic NN potentials

NN interaction and correlations

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- describing two-nucleon properties (scattering, deuteron) with high accuracy
- different potentials available, e.g.
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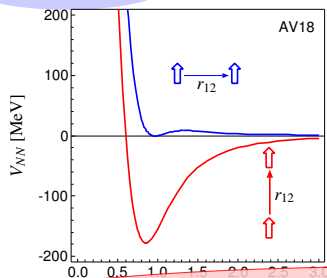
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Use unitary transformations to obtain "soft" effective realistic interaction

Unitary Correlation Operator Method

- NN interaction induces strong **central** and **tensor correlations**
→ Many-body methods working with (superpositions of) Slater determinants require huge model space sizes

- **Unitary Correlation Operator Method (UCOM):**

Roth, Neff, Feldmeier, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. **65**, 51 (2010)

Unitary transformation \mathbf{C} imprints correlation on simple model state $|\Psi\rangle$

$$|\hat{\Psi}\rangle = \mathbf{C}|\Psi\rangle = \mathbf{C}_\Omega \mathbf{C}_r |\Psi\rangle$$

- Work with transformed operators and simple model states, e.g.

$$\langle \hat{\Psi} | \mathbf{H} | \hat{\Psi}' \rangle = \langle \Psi | \mathbf{C}^\dagger \mathbf{H} \mathbf{C} | \Psi' \rangle =: \langle \Psi | \mathbf{H}_{\text{eff}} | \Psi' \rangle$$

- \mathbf{H}_{eff} for local NN potential (e.g. Argonne V18) contains **quadratic momentum dependence** replacing short-range repulsion and short-range tensor:

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{eff}} = \mathbf{C}_r^\dagger \left(\frac{\vec{\mathbf{p}}^2}{2\mu} + V(\mathbf{r}) \right) \mathbf{C}_r = \frac{\vec{\mathbf{p}}^2}{2\mu} + V_{\text{eff}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p})$$

Weber, Feldmeier, Hergert, Neff, Phys. Rev. C **89**, 034002 (2014)

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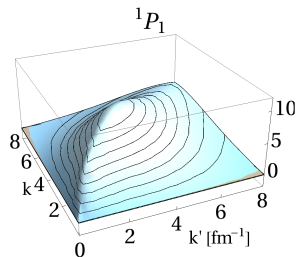
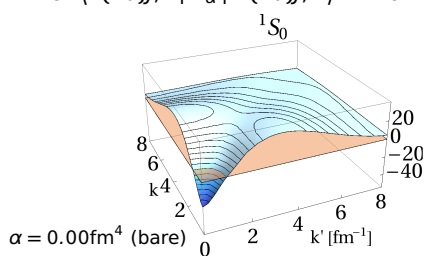
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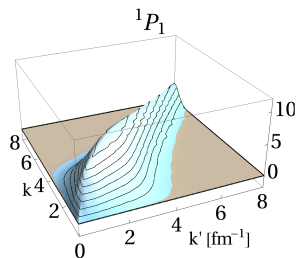
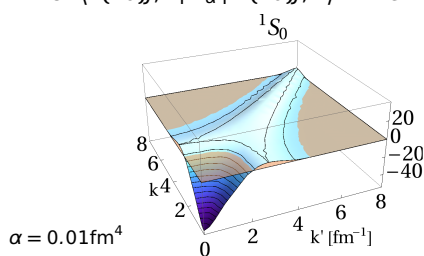
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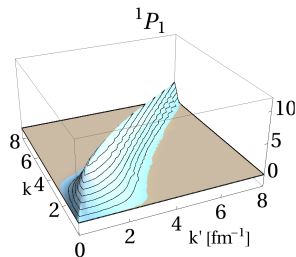
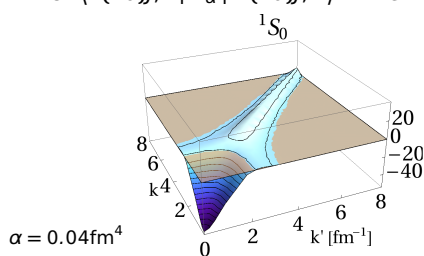
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Representation of NN interactions

- effective realistic NN potentials given usually as momentum matrix elements
- can be used in many-body calculations with shell model or plane wave basis
- but not for Fermionic Molecular Dynamics and cluster models
- matrix element representation not intuitive, not transparent

- Other representation to study and visualize NN potentials
 - How does the potential look in position space?
 - What happens to the repulsive core?
 - What is the range of the interaction?
 - What is the momentum dependence?

⇒ **Phase-space representation**

Phase-space representation

- Kirkwood representation [Kirkwood, Phys. Rev., 44, 31 \(1933\)](#)

- **phase-space distribution** for a given state $|\phi\rangle$:

$$f_{\text{ps}}(\vec{r}, \vec{p}) = (2\pi)^{3/2} \langle \vec{r} | \phi \rangle \langle \phi | \vec{p} \rangle \langle \vec{p} | \vec{r} \rangle$$

- **phase-space representation** of an operator \mathbf{O} :

$$O_{\text{ps}}(\vec{r}, \vec{p}) = (2\pi)^{3/2} \langle \vec{r} | \mathbf{O} | \vec{p} \rangle \langle \vec{p} | \vec{r} \rangle$$

- **quantum expectation value** (analogue to classical expression)

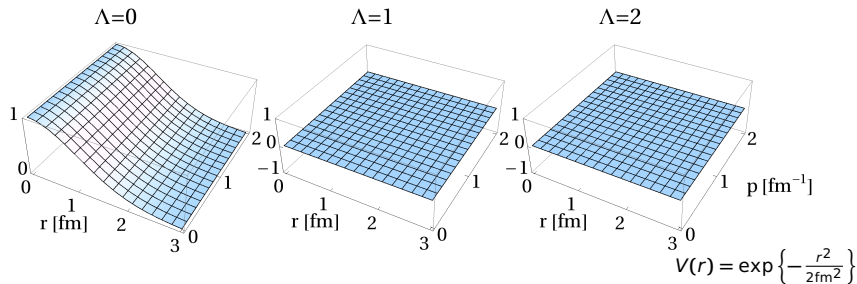
$$\langle O \rangle = \langle \phi | \mathbf{O} | \phi \rangle = \int d^3 r \int d^3 p f_{\text{ps}}^*(\vec{r}, \vec{p}) O_{\text{ps}}(\vec{r}, \vec{p})$$

- Study phase-space representation of effective NN interactions
- Multipole expansion with Legendre polynomials P_Λ :

$$V_{\text{ps}}(\vec{r}, \vec{p}) = \sum_{\Lambda} i^\Lambda V_\Lambda(r, p) P_\Lambda(\widehat{\vec{r}} \cdot \widehat{\vec{p}}).$$

Phase-space representation of local $\mathbf{V} = V(r)$

$V_\Lambda(r, p)$ (arb. units)

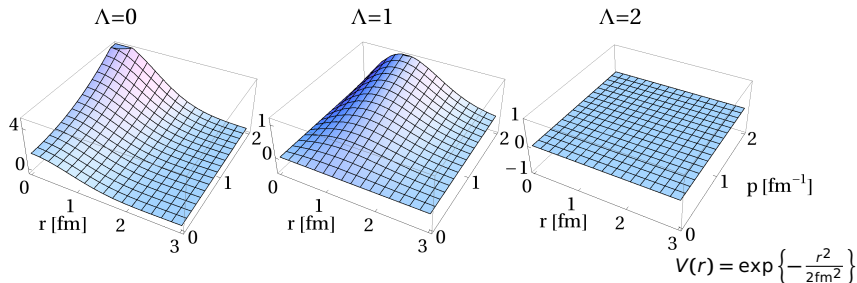


local: $\mathbf{V} = V(\mathbf{r})$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow V_{\text{ps}}(\vec{r}, \vec{p}) &= V(r) \\ &= V(r)P_0(\hat{\vec{r}} \cdot \hat{\vec{p}}) \end{aligned}$$

Phase-space representation of $\mathbf{V} = \frac{1}{2} (\vec{\mathbf{p}}^2 V(\mathbf{r}) + V(\mathbf{r}) \vec{\mathbf{p}}^2)$

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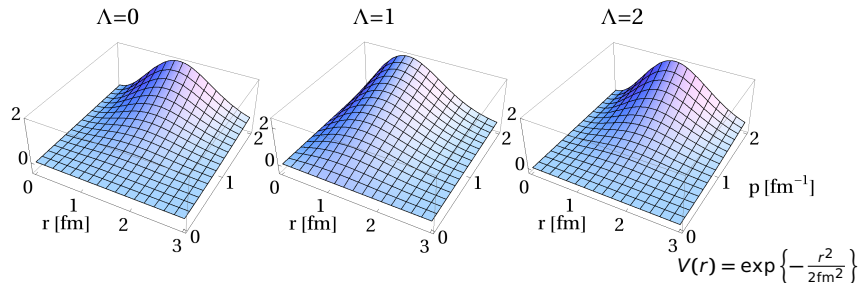


quadratic momentum dependence: $\mathbf{V} = \frac{1}{2} (\vec{\mathbf{p}}^2 V(\mathbf{r}) + V(\mathbf{r}) \vec{\mathbf{p}}^2)$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow V_{ps}(\vec{r}, \vec{p}) &= \left(V(r) p^2 - \frac{1}{2} V''(r) - \frac{V'(r)}{r} \right) - i \frac{V'(r)}{r} \vec{r} \cdot \vec{p} \\ &= \left(V(r) p^2 - \frac{1}{2} V''(r) - \frac{V'(r)}{r} \right) P_0(\hat{r} \cdot \hat{p}) - i \frac{V'(r)}{r} r p P_1(\hat{r} \cdot \hat{p}) \end{aligned}$$

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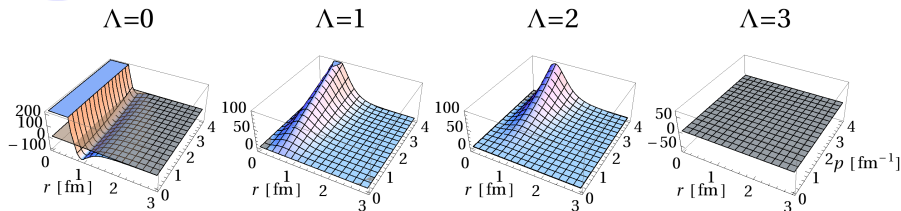
quadratic angular momentum dependence: $\mathbf{V} = V(r) \tilde{\mathbf{L}}^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow V_{\text{ps}}(\vec{r}, \vec{p}) &= V(r) (\vec{r} \times \vec{p})^2 + 2iV(r) \vec{r} \cdot \vec{p} \\ &= \frac{2}{3}V(r)(rp)^2 P_0(\hat{\vec{r}} \cdot \hat{\vec{p}}) + 2iV(r)rp P_1(\hat{\vec{r}} \cdot \hat{\vec{p}}) - \frac{2}{3}V(r)(rp)^2 P_2(\hat{\vec{r}} \cdot \hat{\vec{p}}) \end{aligned}$$

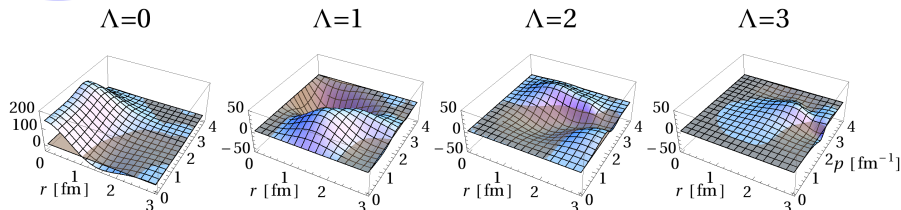
Bare potentials in phase-space representation

$S=0, T=1: V_{\Lambda}(r, p)$ in MeV

AV18



N^3LO

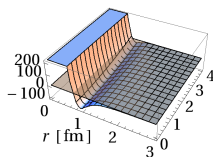


UCOM Argonne potential in phase-space representation

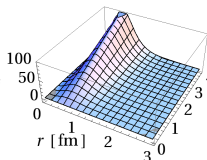
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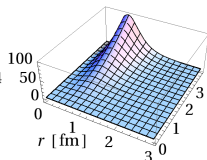
$\Lambda=0$



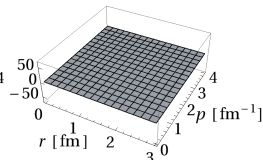
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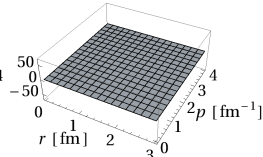
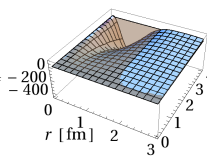
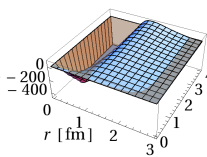
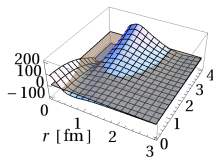
$\Lambda=2$



$\Lambda=3$



AV18 UCOM

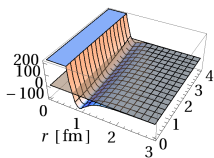


SRG Argonne potential in phase-space representation

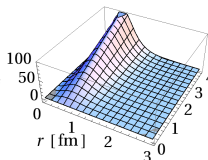
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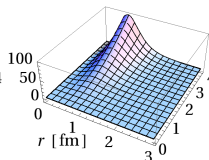
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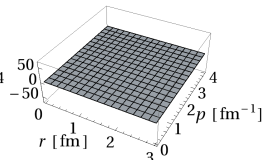
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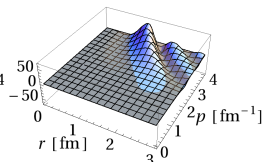
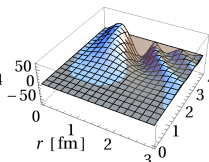
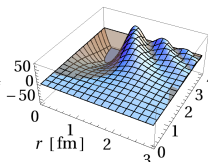
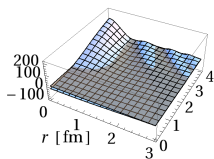
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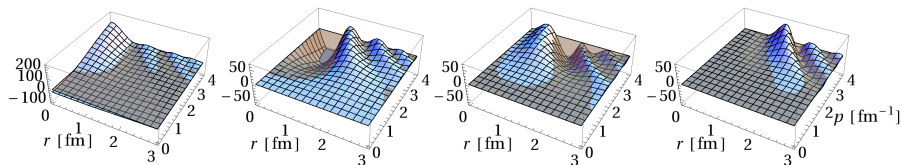
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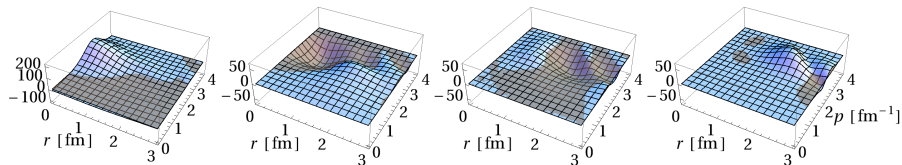
SRG potentials in phase-space representation

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N³LO SRG



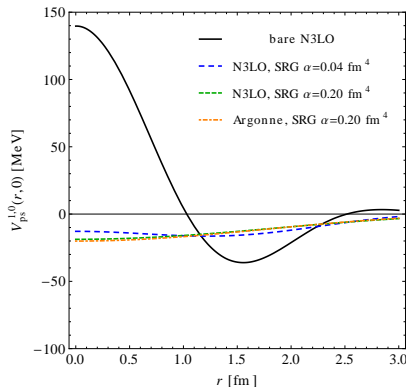
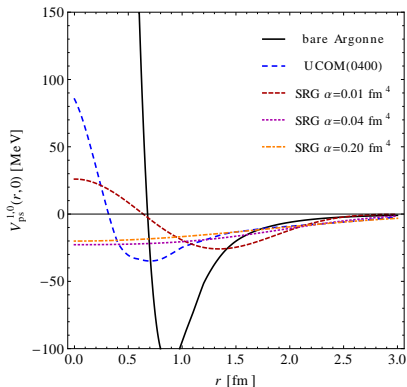
Local projection

Wendt et al. introduced the **local projection** of a potential

Wendt, Furnstahl, Ramanan, Phys. Rev. C **86**, 014003 (2012)

This is the same as the phase space representation for $\Lambda = 0$ and $p = 0$:

$$V_{loc}(r) = V_{\Lambda=0}(r, p = 0)$$



Summary

Realistic effective interactions

- UCOM and SRG soften the interaction by unitary transformation
- transformed interactions are non-local
- no “intuitive” picture in partial wave matrix element representation

Phase-space Representation

- investigate momentum-dependence
- non-locality reflected in p - and Λ -dependence
- form of regulators reflected in $N^3\text{LO}$ phase-space representation
- AV18 UCOM has quadratic momentum-dependence
- AV18 and $N^3\text{LO}$ SRG have more complicated momentum-dependence

Outlook

- extend phase-space representation to $S = 1$ channels
- what can we learn for the operator representation for effective interactions