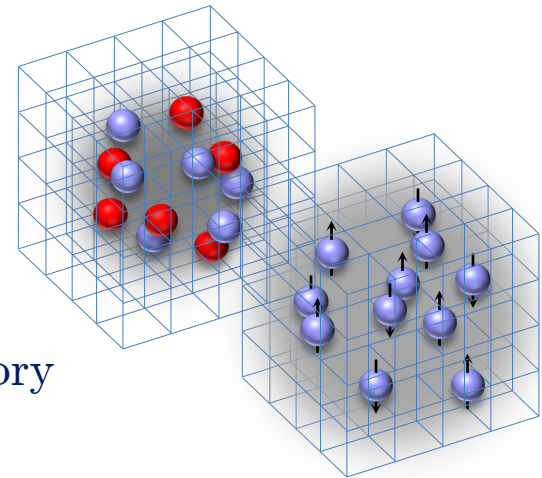


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In memory of our dear friend and colleague, Rup.
He is greatly missed.



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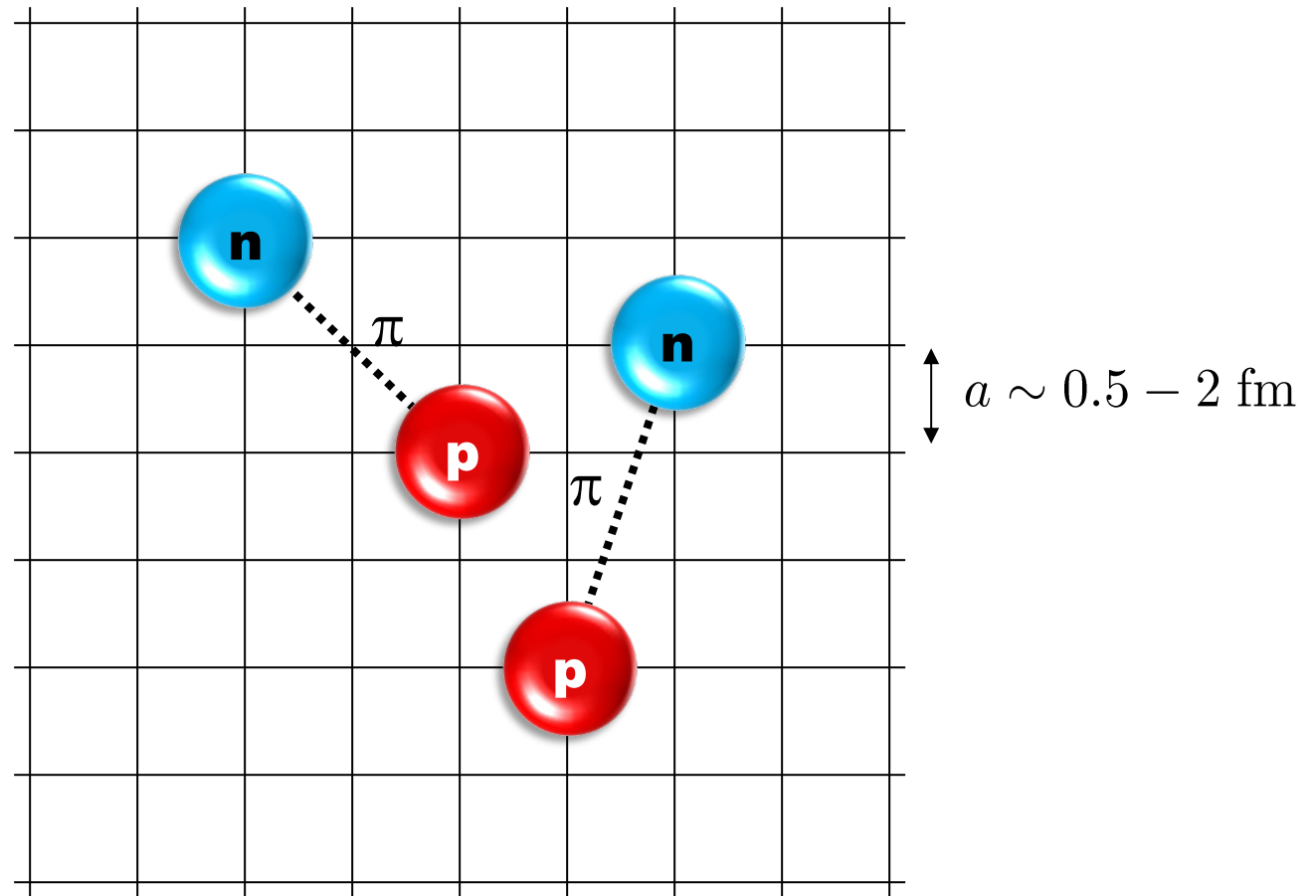
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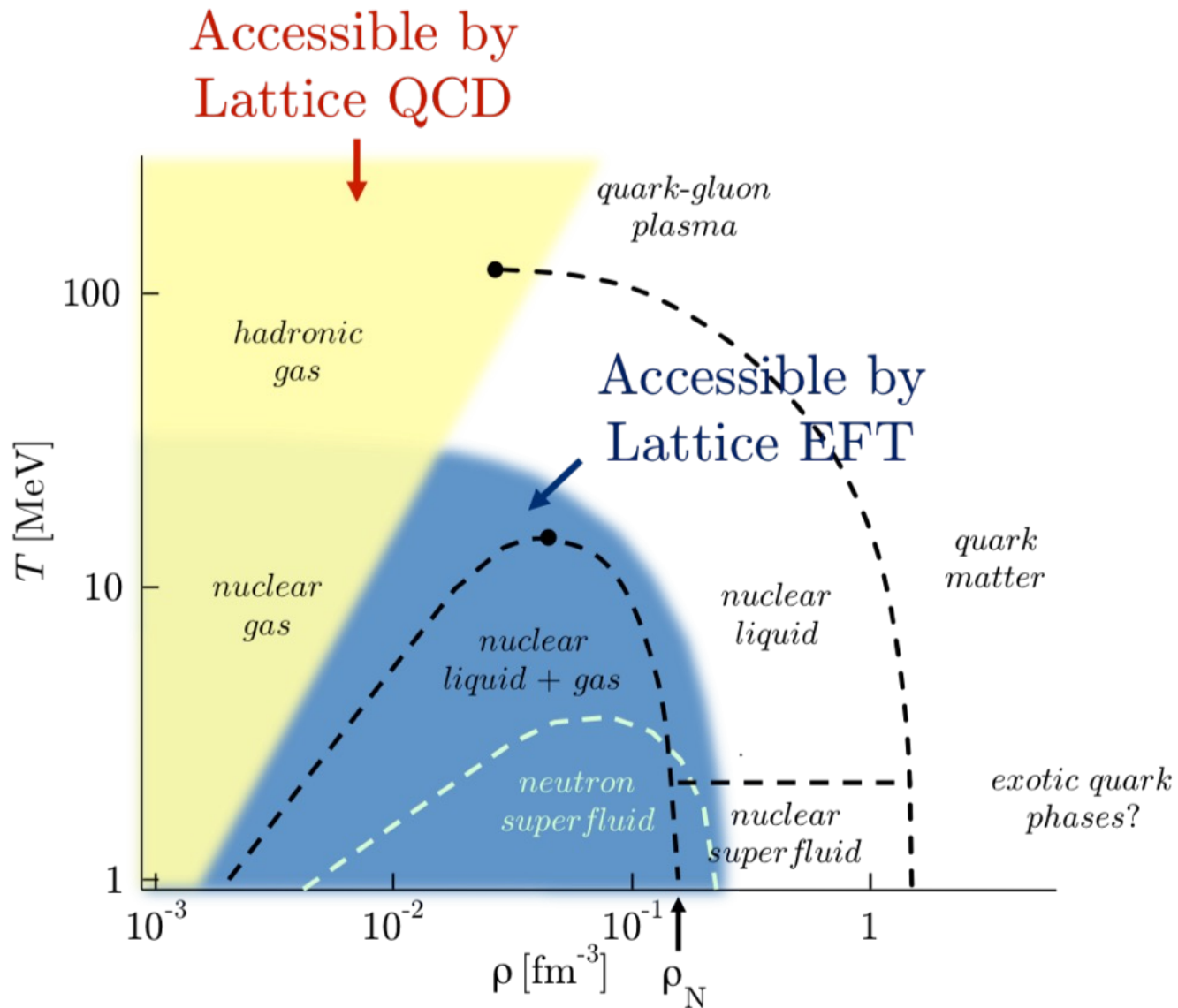
Summary

Lattice effective field theory



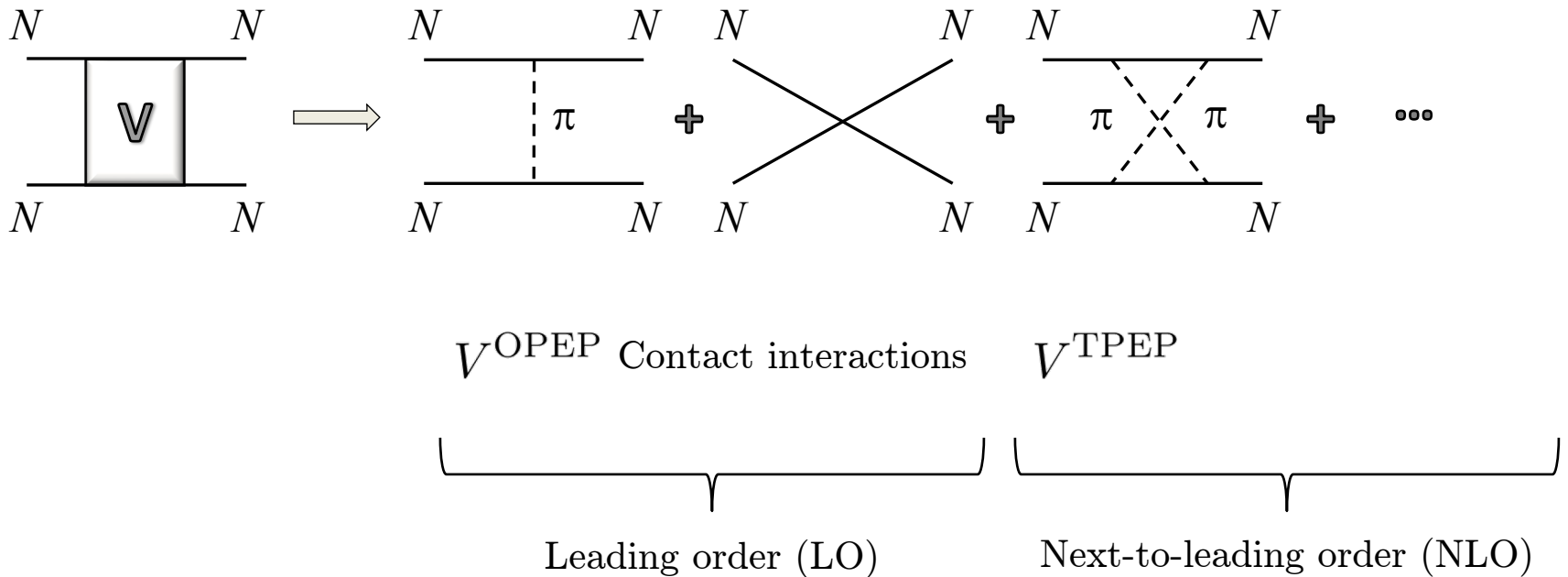
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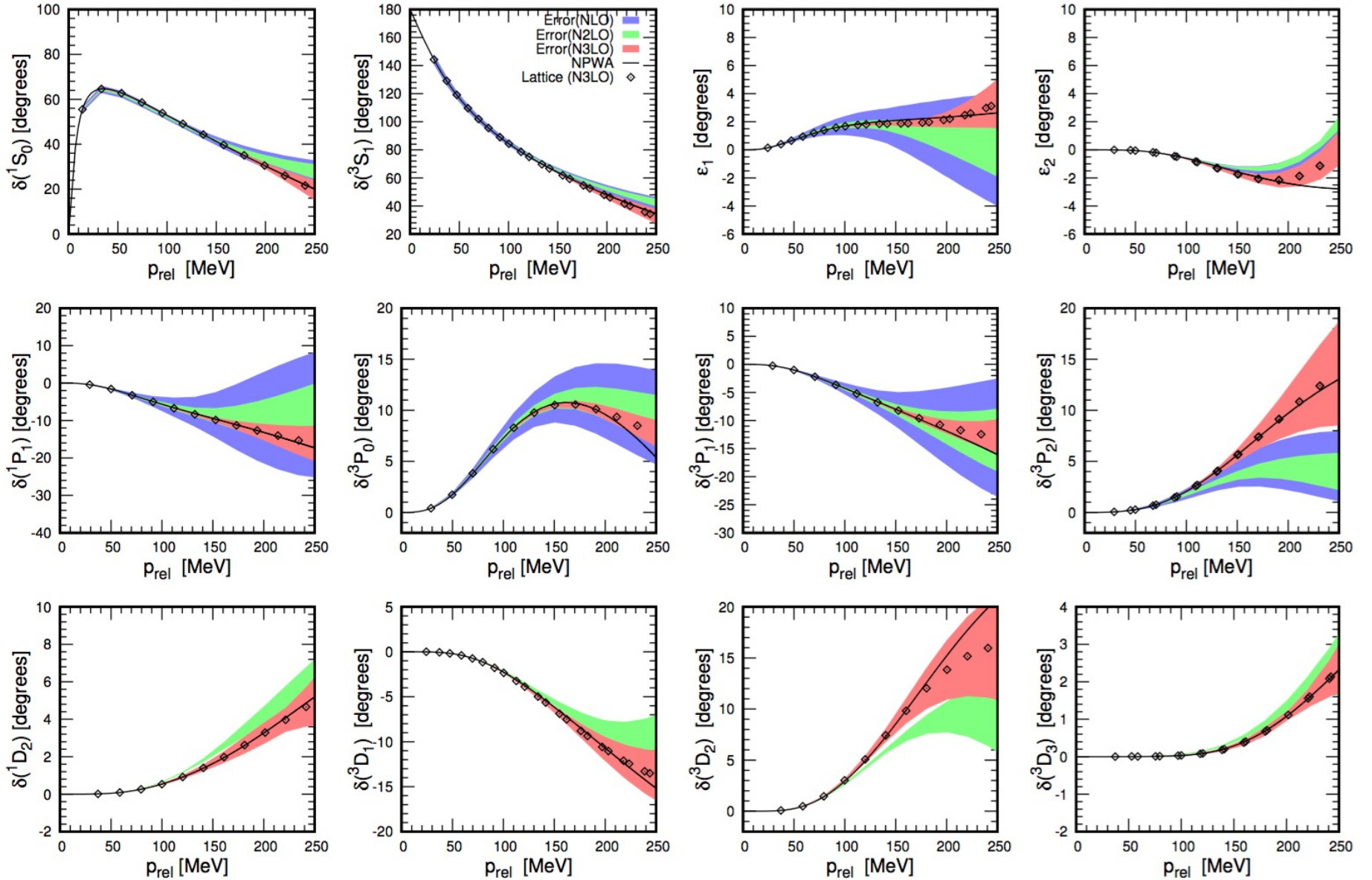


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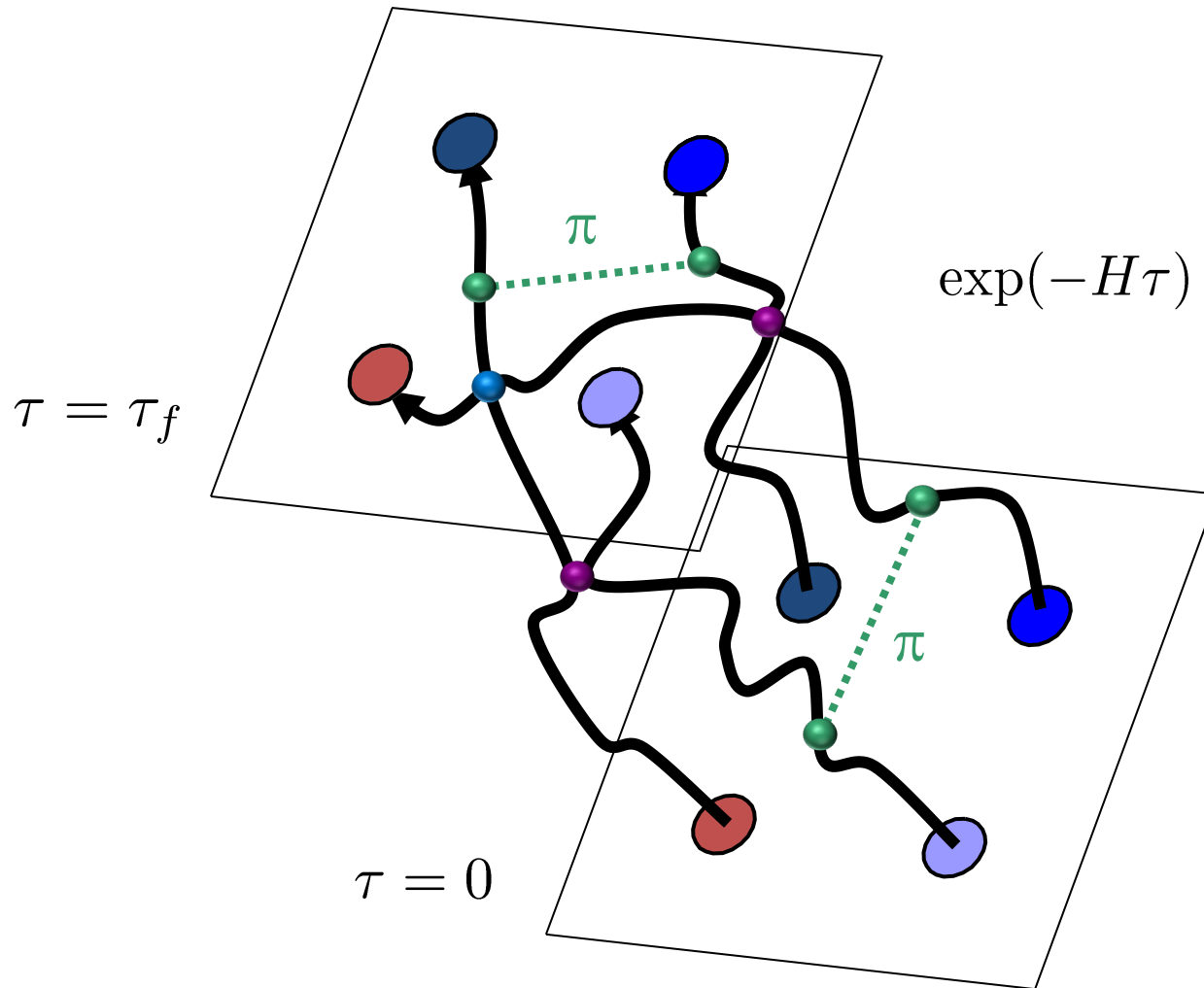
Construct the effective potential order by order



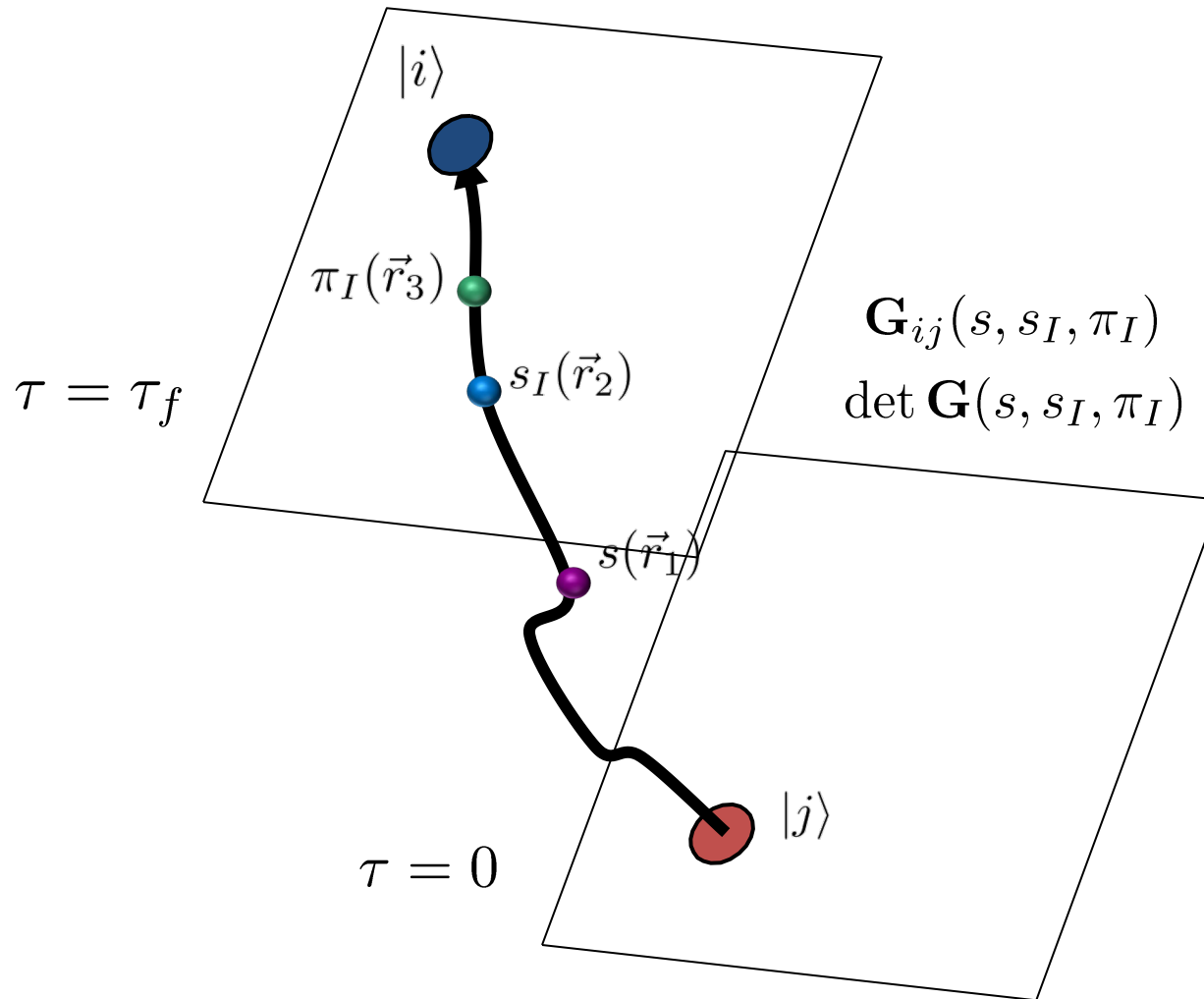
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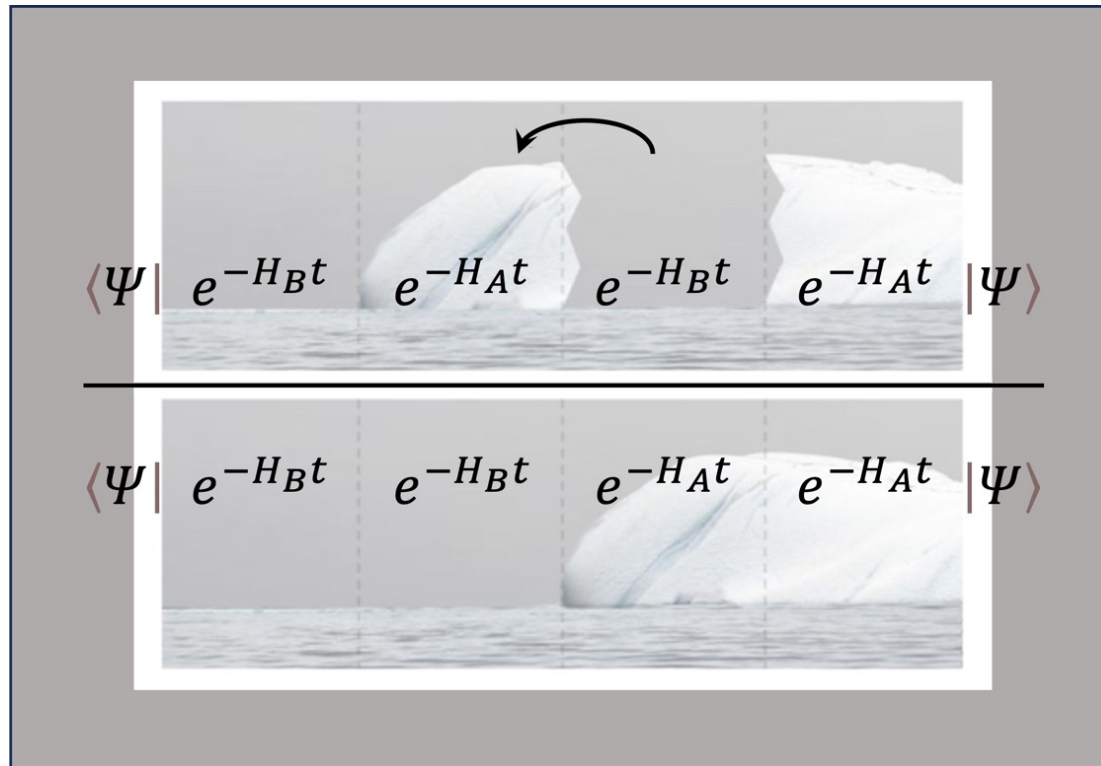
Euclidean time projection



Auxiliary field method



Floating block method



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In the limit of large Euclidean time, we can use quantum Monte Carlo calculations to produce the ground state wave function

$$\exp(-H\tau) |\psi_{\text{init}}\rangle \approx |\psi_0\rangle \exp(-E_0\tau) \langle\psi_0|\psi_{\text{init}}\rangle$$

Suppose that the Hamiltonian depends smoothly on some parameter c . We would like to perform eigenvector continuation of the ground state

$$H(c) |\psi_0(c)\rangle = E_0(c) |\psi_0(c)\rangle$$

We then need to compute norm matrix elements and Hamiltonian matrix elements

$$N_{j,k} = \langle\psi_0(c_j)|\psi_0(c_k)\rangle$$
$$H_{j,k}(c) = \langle\psi_0(c_j)|H(c)|\psi_0(c_k)\rangle$$

and solve the generalized eigenvalue problem

$$\sum_k H_{j,k}(c) v_k = E_0^{EC}(c) \sum_k N_{j,k} v_k$$

There is no problem to calculate ratios of Hamiltonian and norm matrix elements

$$\frac{H_{j,k}(c)}{N_{j,k}} \approx \frac{\langle \psi_{\text{init}} | \exp[-H(c_j)\tau] H(c) \exp[-H(c_k)\tau] | \psi_{\text{init}} \rangle}{\langle \psi_{\text{init}} | \exp[-H(c_j)\tau] \exp[-H(c_k)\tau] | \psi_{\text{init}} \rangle}$$

But it is difficult to compute the norm matrix elements. The standard approach is to compute the ratio of the norm matrix elements to some reference amplitude

$$\frac{N_{j,k}}{N_{\text{ref}}} \approx \frac{\langle \psi_{\text{init}} | \exp[-H(c_j)\tau] \exp[-H(c_k)\tau] | \psi_{\text{init}} \rangle}{\langle \psi_{\text{init}} | \exp[-H(c_{\text{ref}})\tau] \exp[-H(c_{\text{ref}})\tau] | \psi_{\text{init}} \rangle}$$

But the large exponential factors due to differences in the ground energies make the Monte Carlo sampling very difficult.

Floating block method

The floating block method solves this problem by computing ratios where the exponential factors of the ground state energies cancel.


$$|N_{j,k}|^2 = |\langle \psi_0(c_j) | \psi_0(c_k) \rangle|^2 \approx$$




$$\frac{\langle \psi_{\text{init}} | \exp[-H(c_j)\tau] \exp[-H(c_k)\tau] \exp[-H(c_j)\tau] \exp[-H(c_k)\tau] | \psi_{\text{init}} \rangle}{\langle \psi_{\text{init}} | \exp[-2H(c_j)\tau] \exp[-2H(c_k)\tau] | \psi_{\text{init}} \rangle}$$

$$\frac{\langle \psi_{\text{init}} | \exp[-H(c_j)\tau] \exp[-H(c_k)\tau] \exp[-H(c_j)\tau] \exp[-H(c_k)\tau] | \psi_{\text{init}} \rangle}{\langle \psi_{\text{init}} | \exp[-2H(c_j)\tau] \exp[-2H(c_k)\tau] | \psi_{\text{init}} \rangle}$$

 = $e^{-H(c_j)\Delta t}$
 = $e^{-H(c_k)\Delta t}$

$\langle \phi |$   $|\phi \rangle$

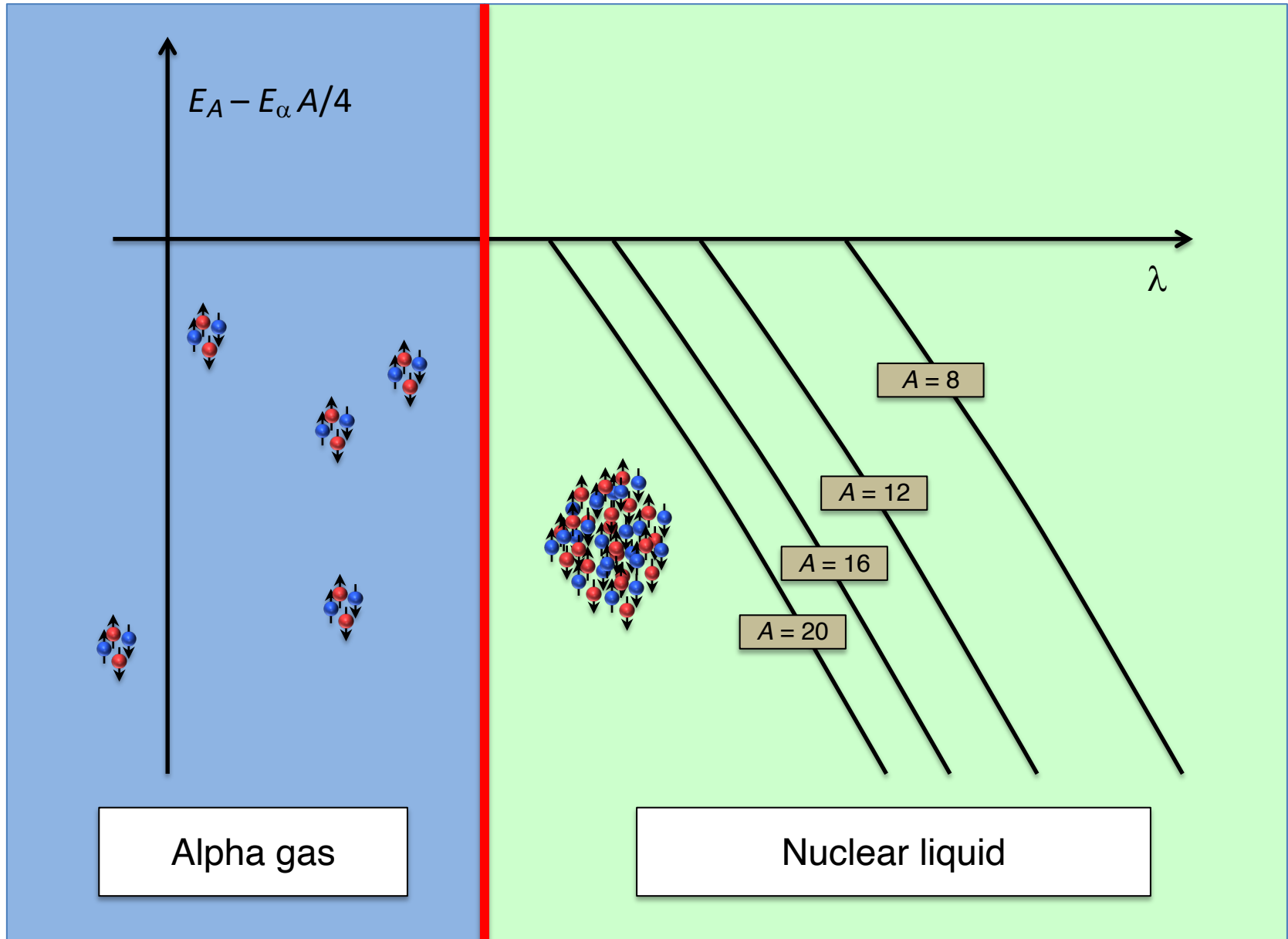
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In order to compute the phase, we calculate the ratio

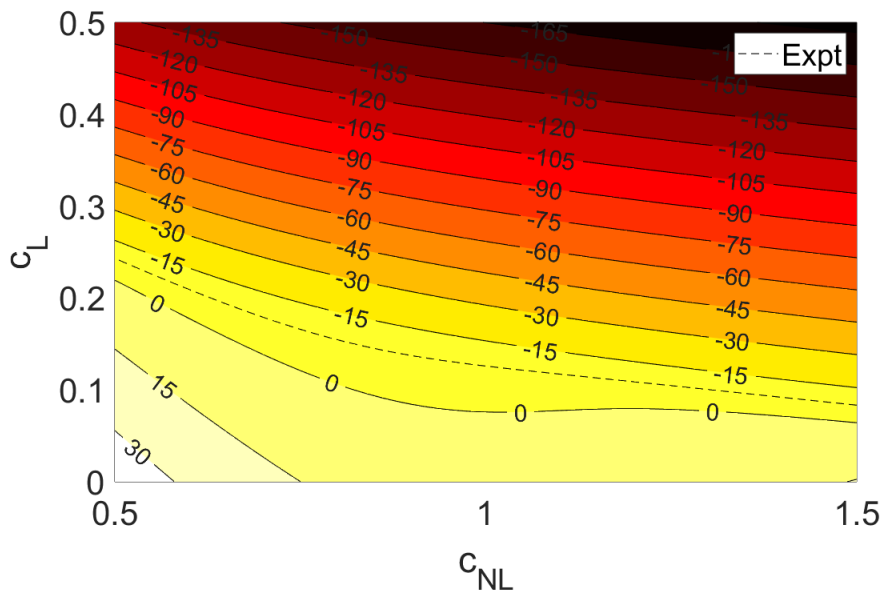
$$\frac{N_{j,k}}{|N_{j,k}|} \approx \frac{\langle \psi_{\text{init}} | \exp[-2H(c_j)\tau] \exp[-2H(c_k)\tau] | \psi_{\text{init}} \rangle}{|\langle \psi_{\text{init}} | \exp[-2H(c_j)\tau] \exp[-2H(c_k)\tau] | \psi_{\text{init}} \rangle|}$$



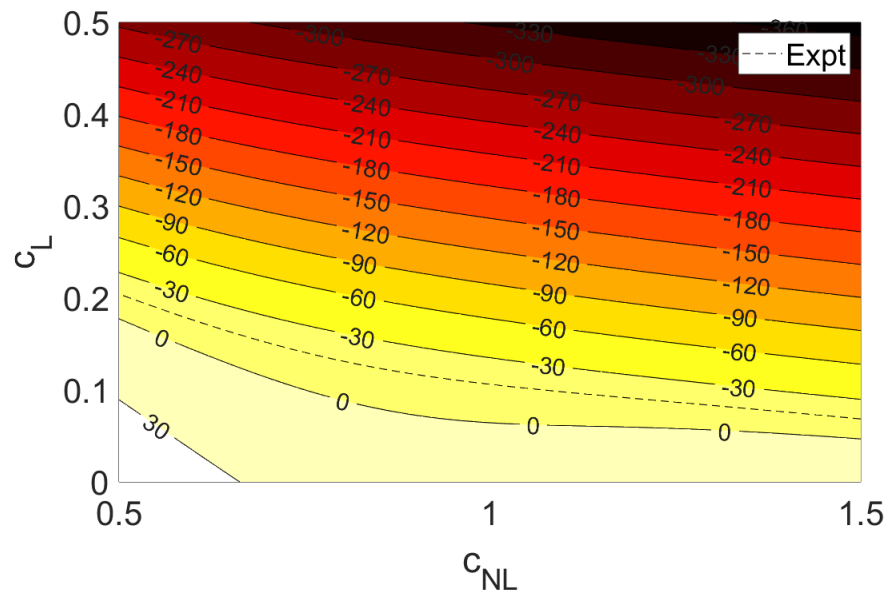
(c_L, c_{NL})	Full Simulation	2nd order EC	3rd order EC	4th order EC
(0.8,0.2)	-338.57 ± 0.03	-330.63 ± 0.26	-333.15 ± 1.85	-333.24 ± 1.14
(0.8,0.1)	-295.33 ± 0.02	-290.04 ± 0.24	-292.08 ± 1.51	-292.17 ± 1.03
(0.9,0.1)	-381.81 ± 0.02	-369.12 ± 0.28	-372.63 ± 2.24	-372.77 ± 1.83
(0.8,0.3)	-382.41 ± 0.03	-371.22 ± 0.27	-374.24 ± 2.25	-374.34 ± 1.42
(0.4,0.6)	-177.15 ± 0.05	-177.25 ± 0.19	-177.32 ± 0.46	-177.33 ± 0.24
(0.4,0.7)	-217.73 ± 0.04	-217.70 ± 0.19	-217.71 ± 0.38	-217.72 ± 0.21
(0.3,0.7)	-141.11 ± 0.05	-139.63 ± 0.19	-141.09 ± 0.71	-141.10 ± 0.35
(0.4,0.8)	-259.35 ± 0.06	-258.19 ± 0.20	-258.31 ± 0.30	-258.32 ± 0.28
(0.2,0.6)	-41.54 ± 0.05	-31.91 ± 0.15	-37.75 ± 0.50	-41.64 ± 0.14
(0.2,0.2)	31.26 ± 0.02	101.48 ± 0.17	99.18 ± 1.86	69.72 ± 1.77
(0.8,0.8)	-606.63 ± 0.05	-574.23 ± 0.37	-579.97 ± 4.02	-580.12 ± 2.70

TABLE I: Comparison of the EC emulator prediction and full simulations results for ^{12}C . The training points added to the EC subspace progressively are: $(c_L, c_{NL}) = (0.5, 0.5)$, $(0.2, 0.8)$, $(0, 1)$, and $(0.2, 0.6)$.

$$E(^{12}\text{C}) - 3E(^4\text{He})$$

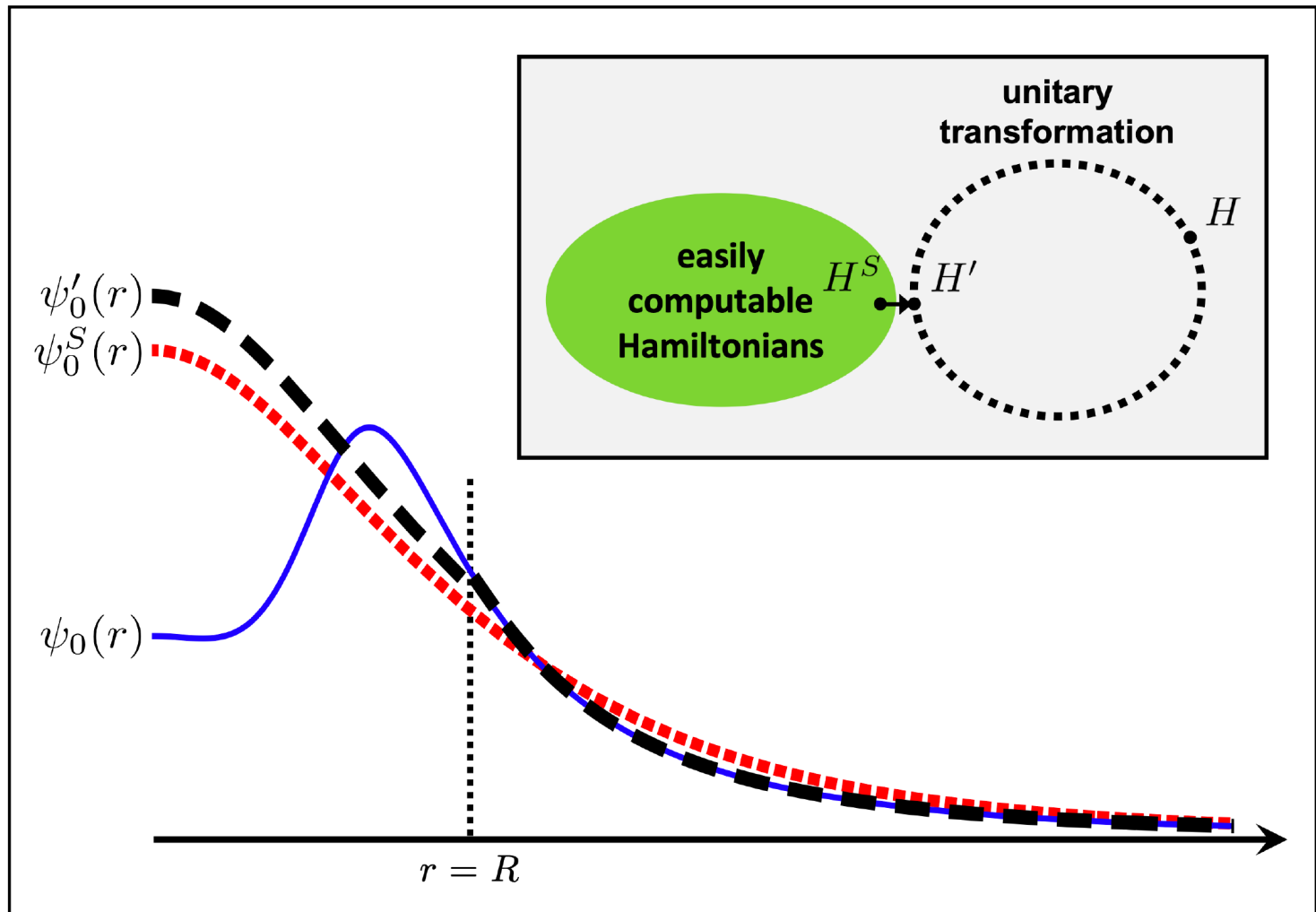


$$E(^{16}\text{O}) - 4E(^4\text{He})$$



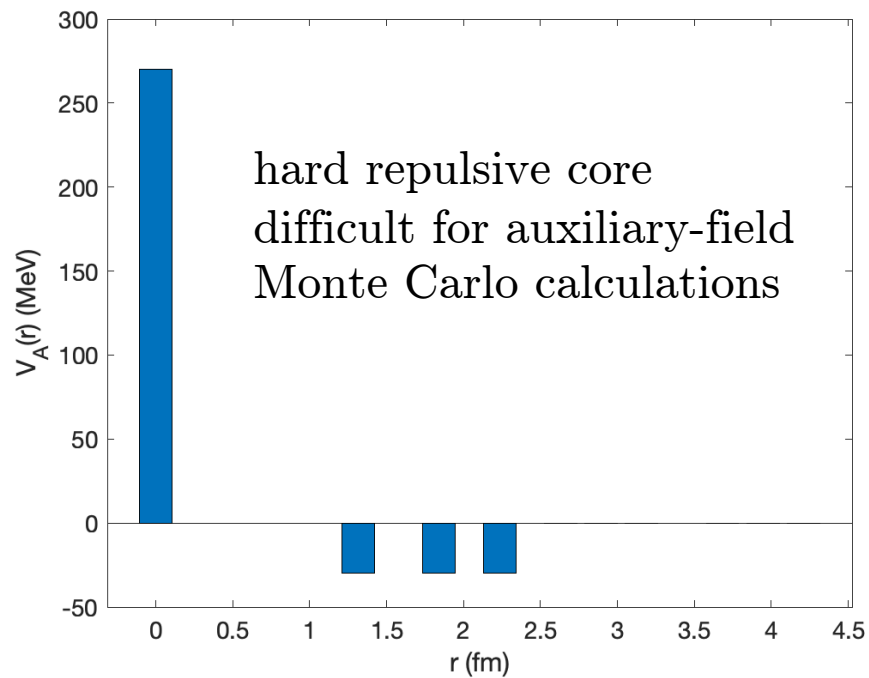
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Wave function matching

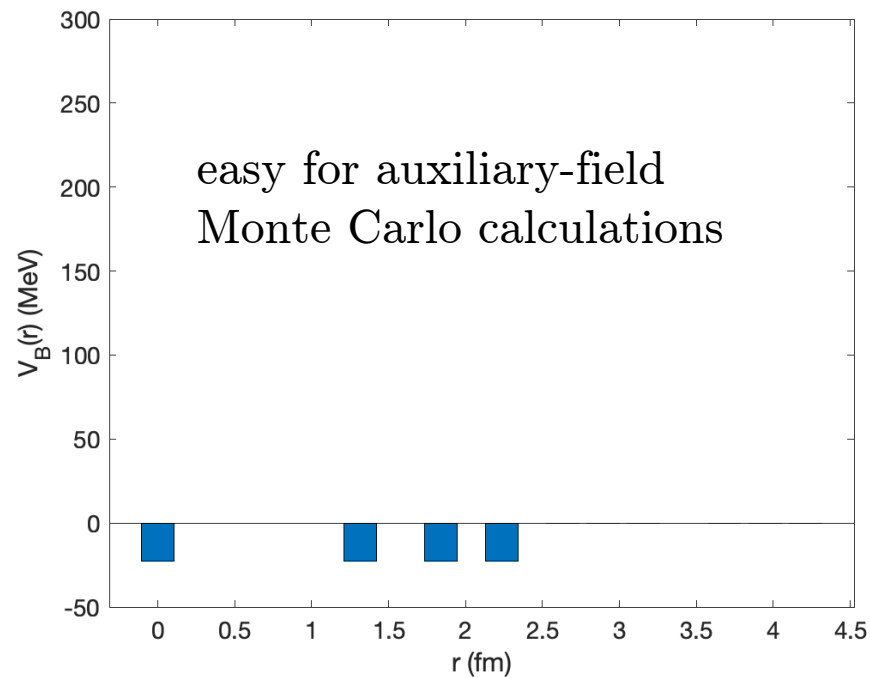


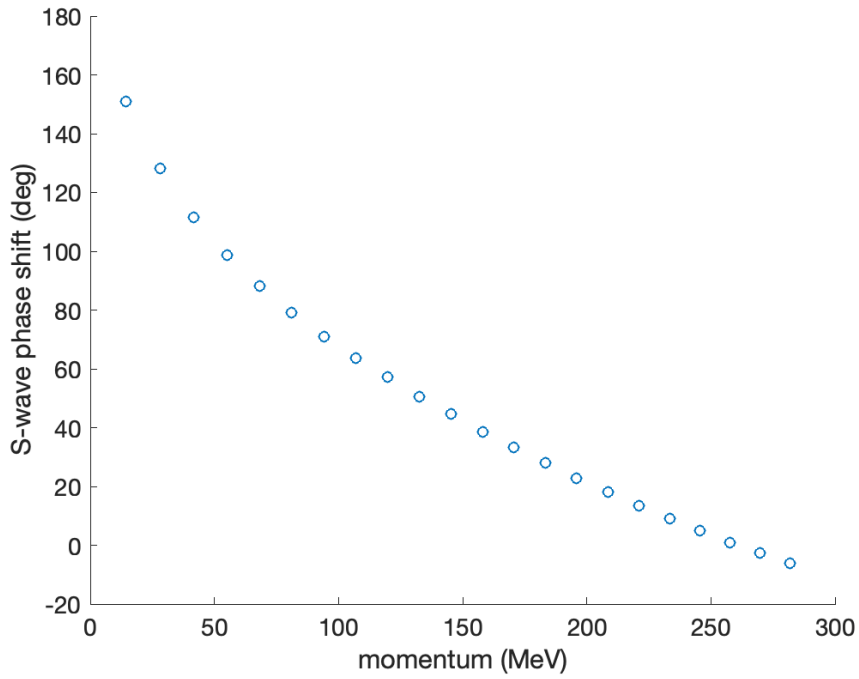
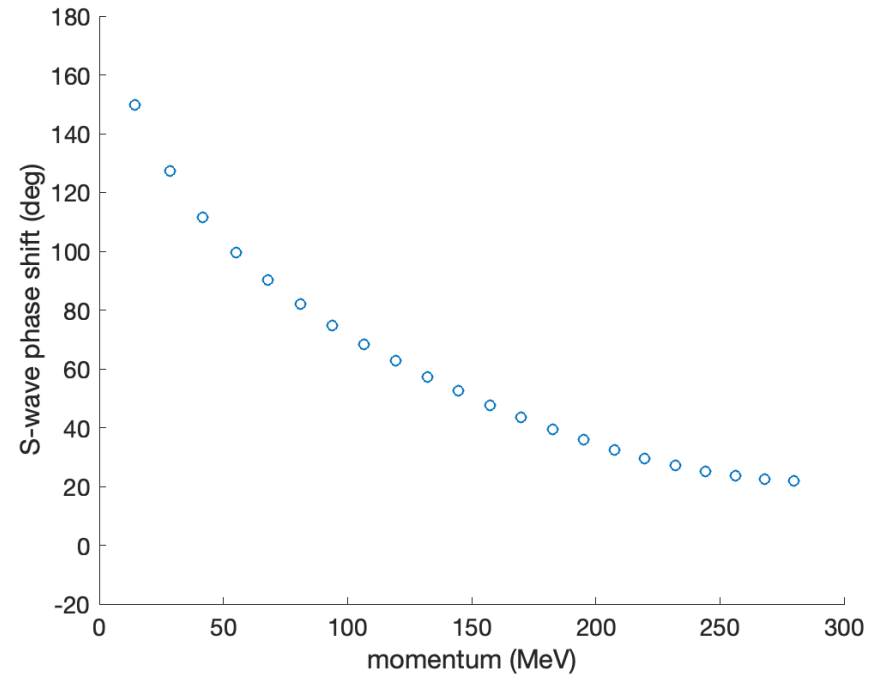
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$$V_A(r)$$



$$V_B(r)$$



$V_A(r)$  $V_B(r)$ 

Let us write the eigenenergies and eigenfunctions for the two interactions as

$$H_A |\psi_{A,n}\rangle = (K + V_A) |\psi_{A,n}\rangle = E_{A,n} |\psi_{A,n}\rangle$$

$$H_B |\psi_{B,n}\rangle = (K + V_B) |\psi_{B,n}\rangle = E_{B,n} |\psi_{B,n}\rangle$$

We would like to compute the eigenenergies of H_A starting from the eigenfunctions of H_B and using first-order perturbation theory.

Not surprisingly, this does not work very well. The interactions V_A and V_B are quite different.

$E_{A,n}$ (MeV)	$\langle \psi_{B,n} H_A \psi_{B,n} \rangle$ (MeV)
-1.2186	3.0088
0.2196	0.3289
0.8523	1.1275
1.8610	2.2528
3.2279	3.6991
4.9454	5.4786
7.0104	7.5996
9.4208	10.0674
12.1721	12.8799
15.2669	16.0458

Let P_R be a projection operator that is nonzero only for separation distances r less than R .

We define a finite-range unitary operator U that vanishes beyond distance R . We require that

$$U : \frac{P_R |\psi_B^0\rangle}{\|P_R |\psi_B^0\rangle\|} \rightarrow \frac{P_R |\psi_A^0\rangle}{\|P_R |\psi_A^0\rangle\|}$$

There are many possible choices to complete the unitary transformation.

$$U : |\phi_j\rangle \rightarrow U |\phi_j\rangle$$
$$|\phi_j\rangle \perp P_R |\psi_B^0\rangle \quad j = 1, 2, \dots$$

The corresponding action of U on the Hamiltonian is

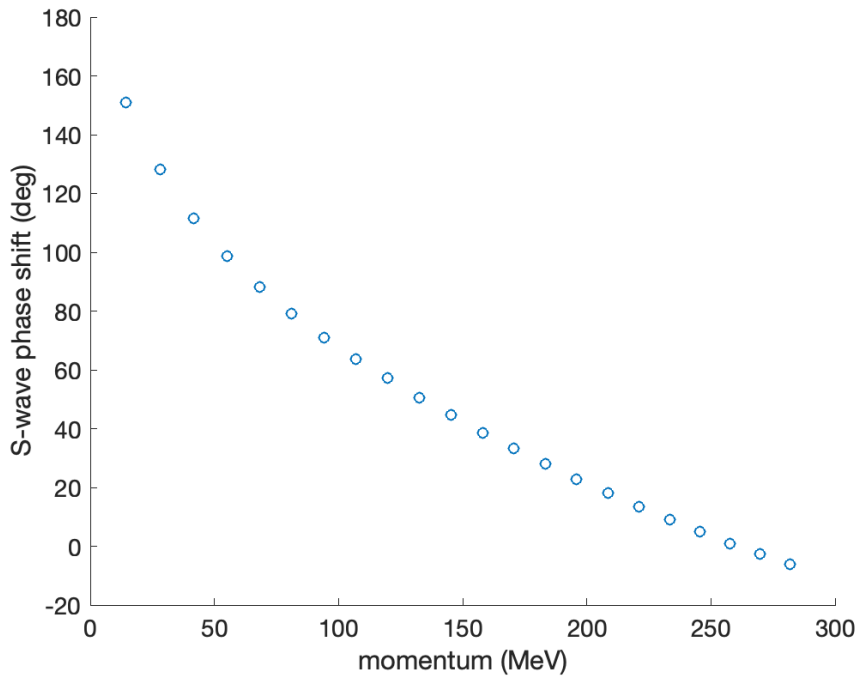
$$U : H_A \rightarrow H'_A = U^\dagger H_A U$$

and the resulting nonlocal interaction is

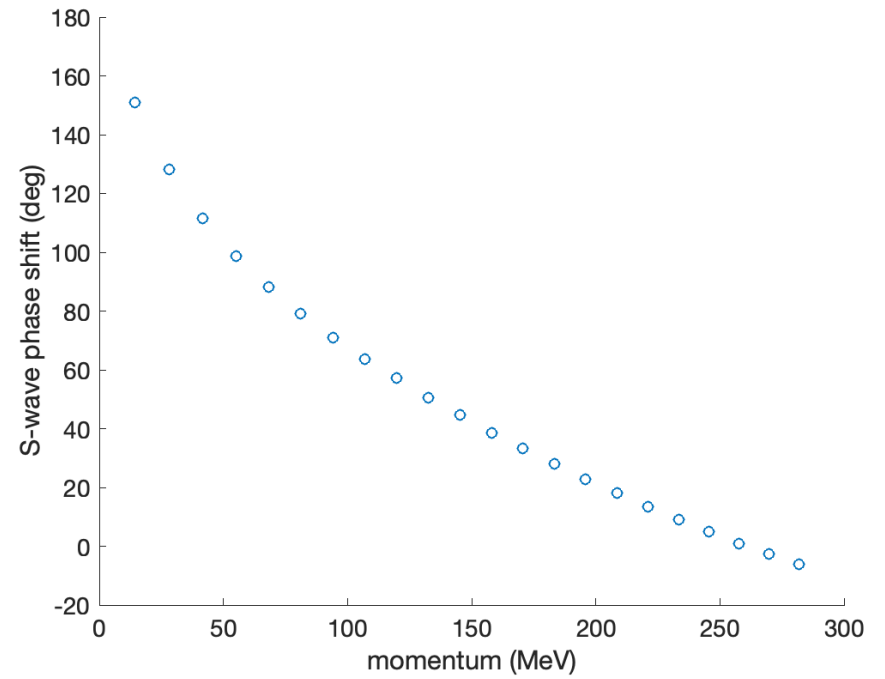
$$V'_A = H'_A - K = U^\dagger H_A U - K$$

Since they are unitarily equivalent, the phase shifts for the original and transformed Hamiltonians are exactly the same

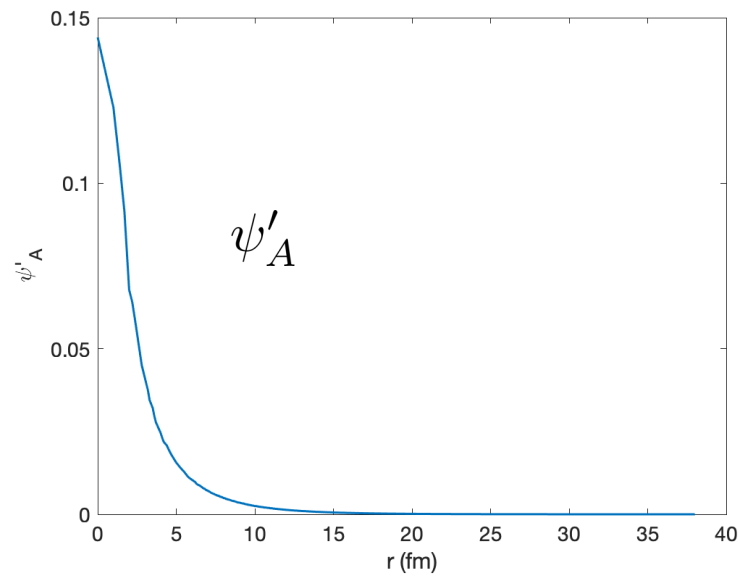
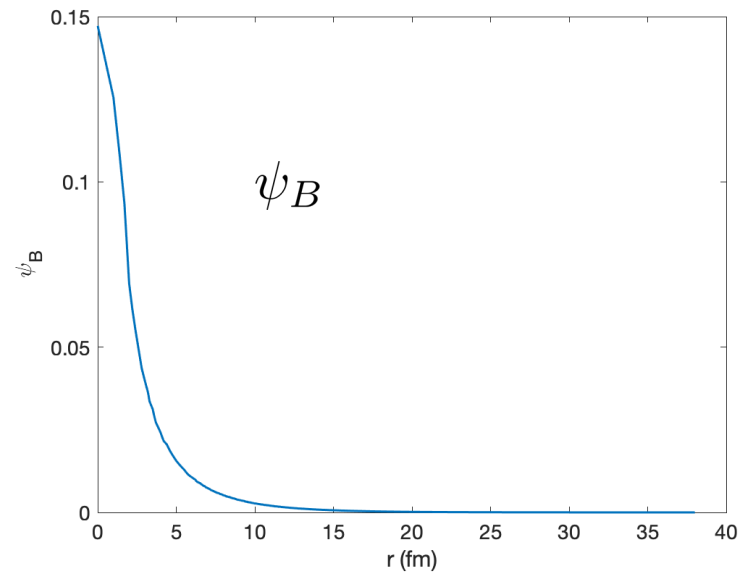
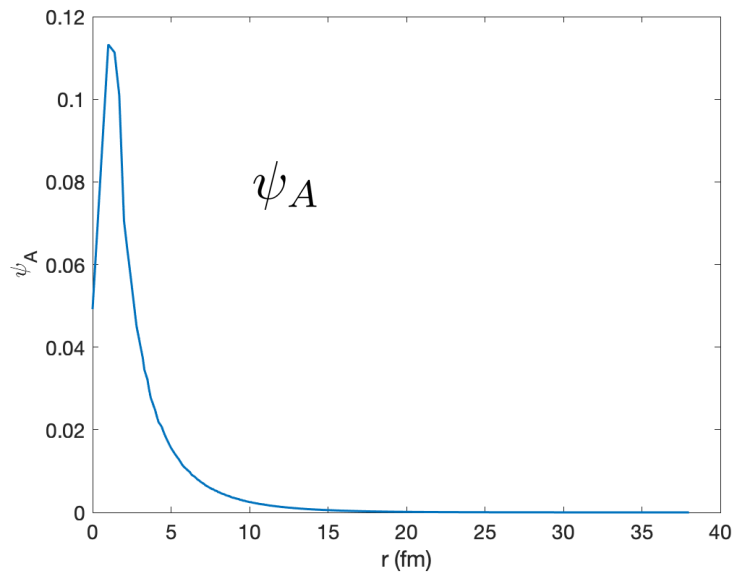
$$V_A(r)$$



$$V'_A(r, r')$$



Ground state wave functions

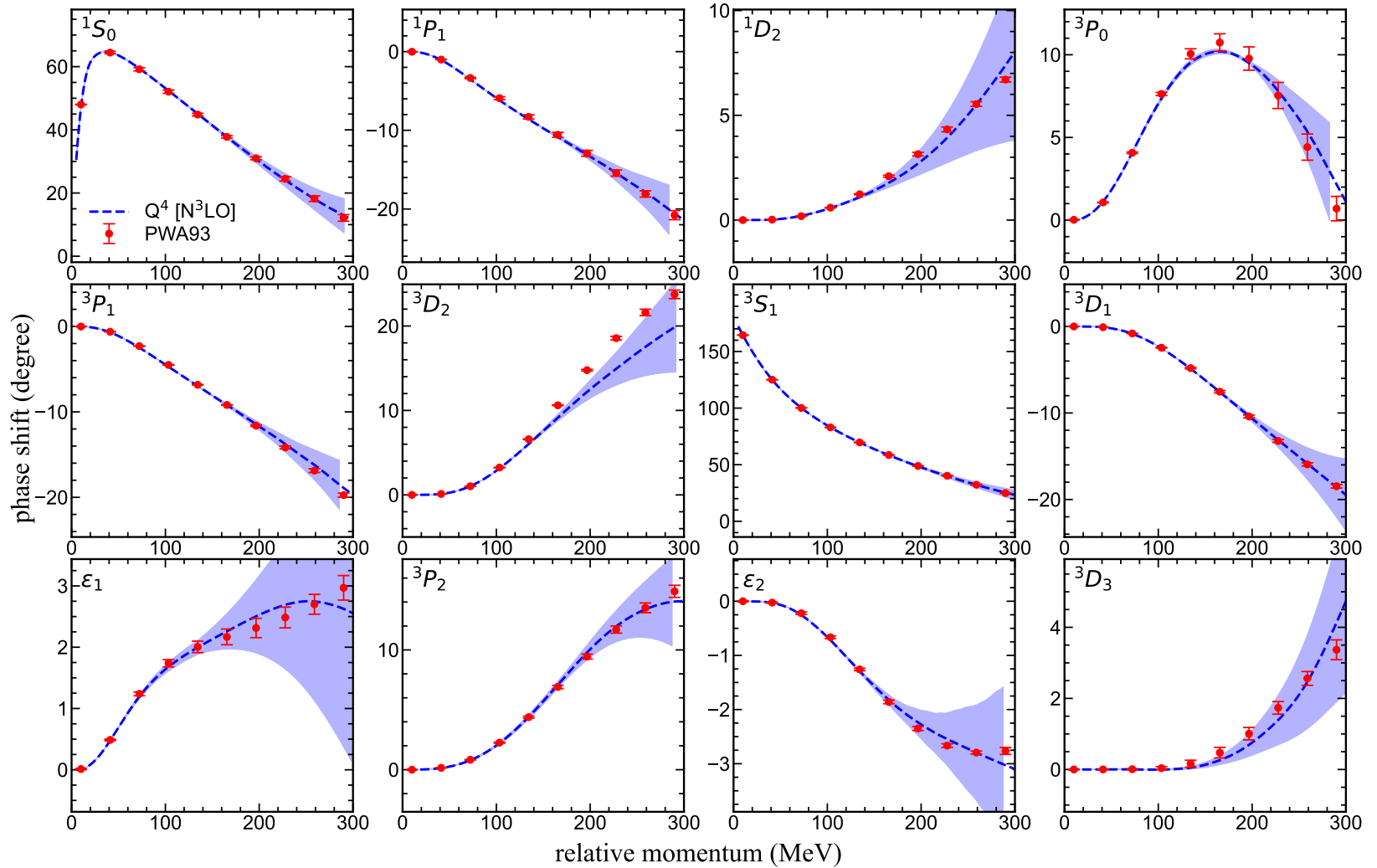


With wave function matching, we can now compute the eigenenergies starting from the eigenfunctions of H_B and using first-order perturbation theory.

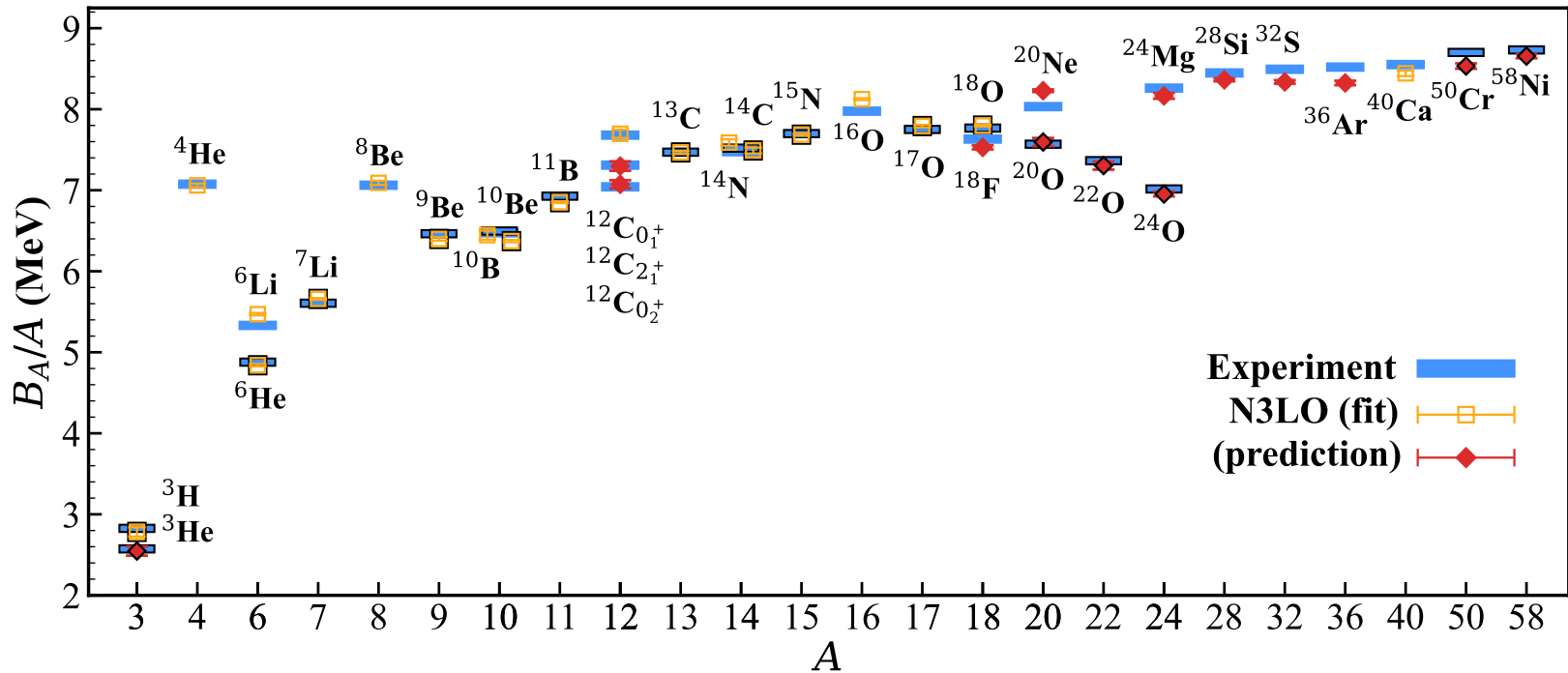
$$R = 2.6 \text{ fm}$$

$E_{A,n} = E'_{A,n}$ (MeV)	$\langle \psi_{B,n} H_A \psi_{B,n} \rangle$ (MeV)	$\langle \psi_{B,n} H'_A \psi_{B,n} \rangle$ (MeV)
-1.2186	3.0088	-1.1597
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15.2669	16.0458	15.4840

N3LO chiral effective field theory interaction

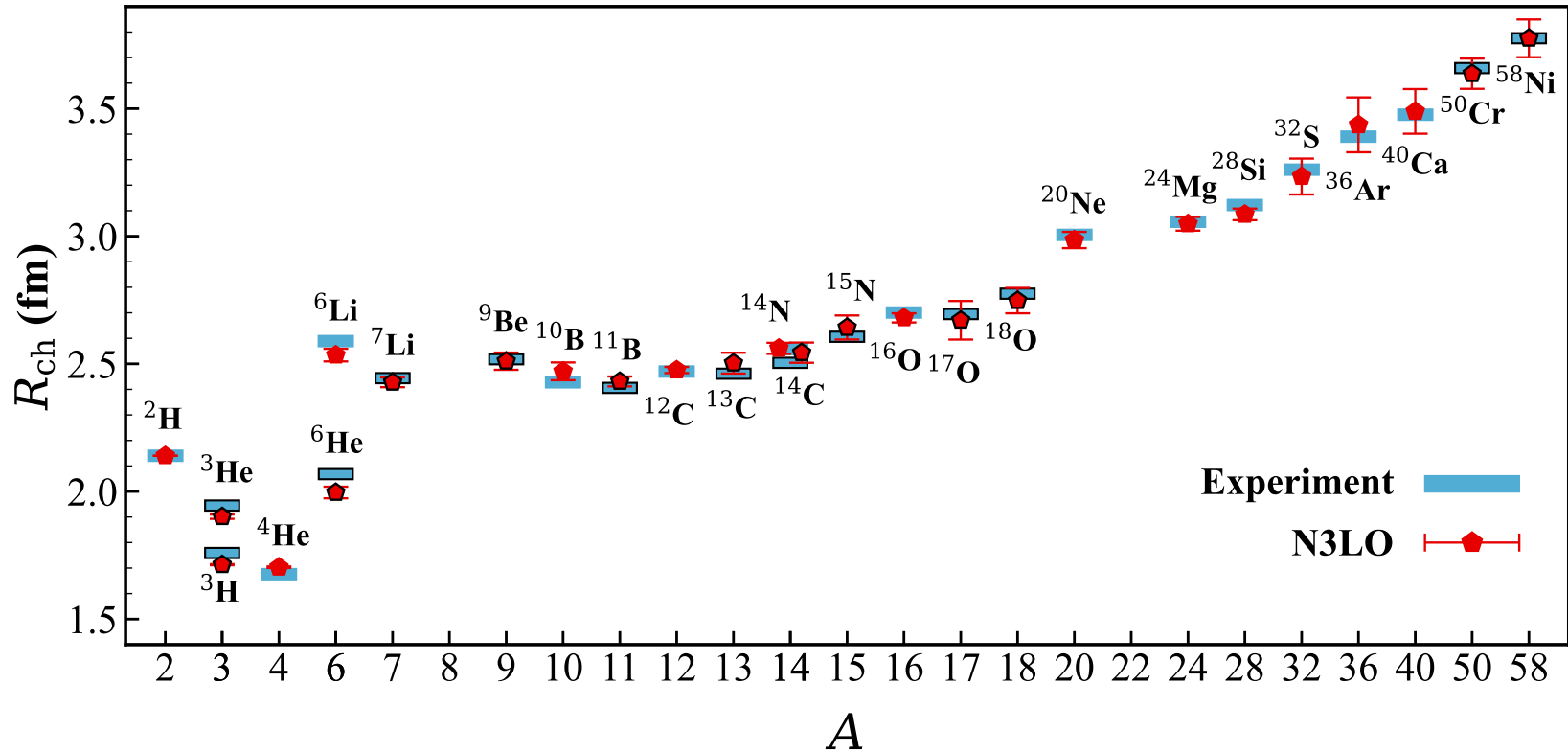


Binding energy per nucleon



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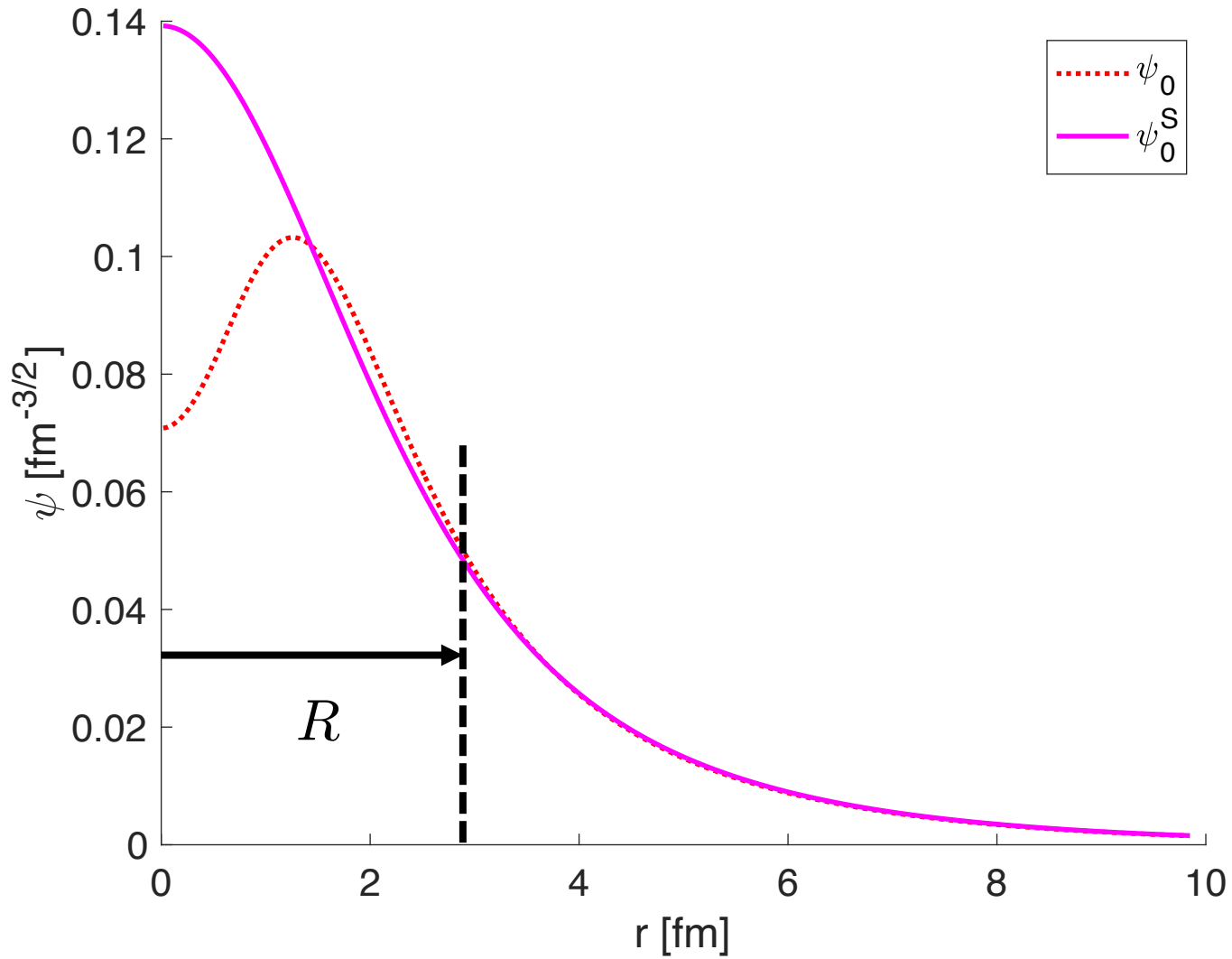
Charge radius



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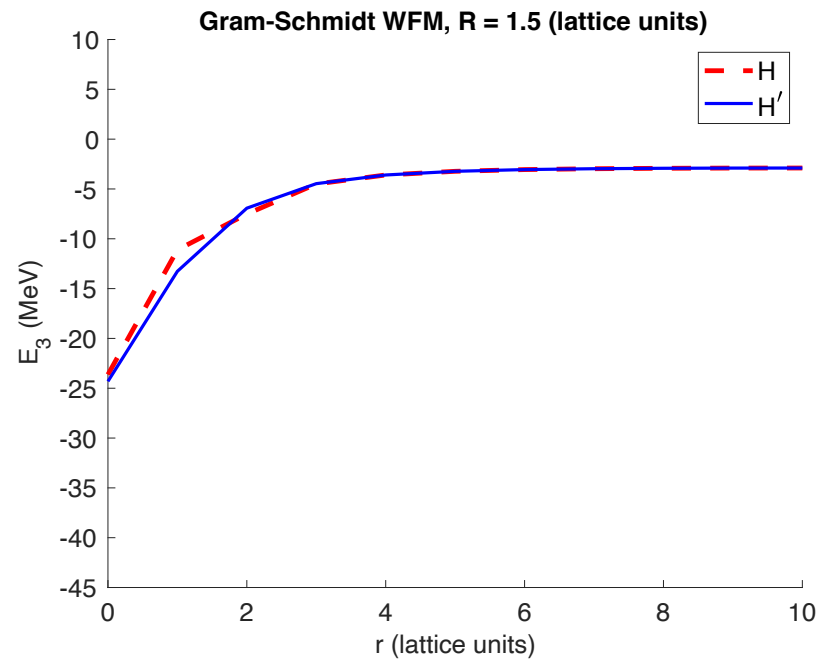
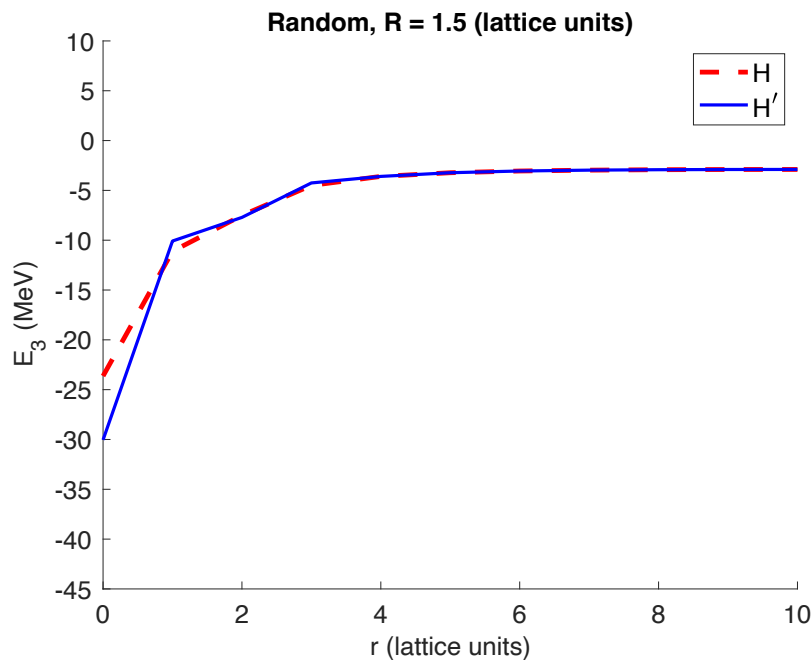
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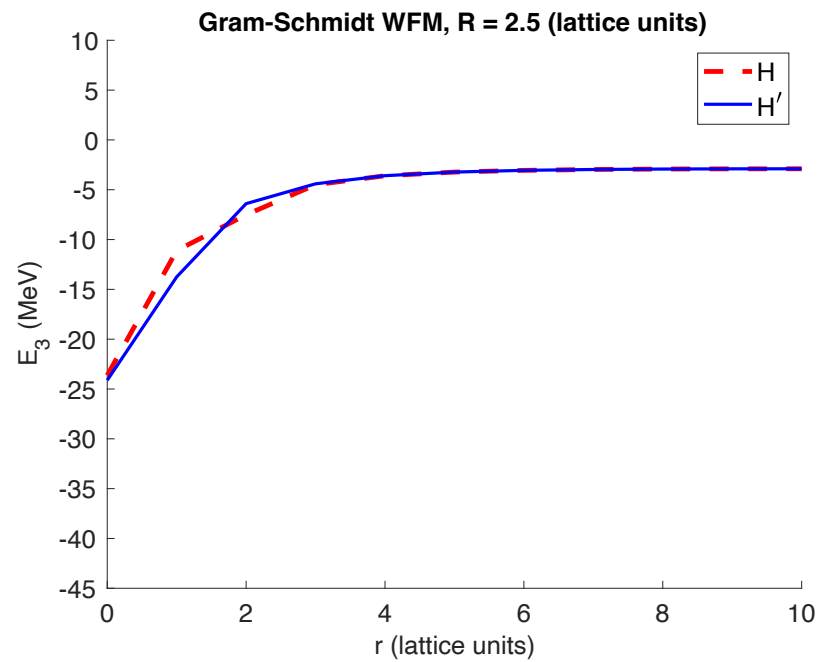
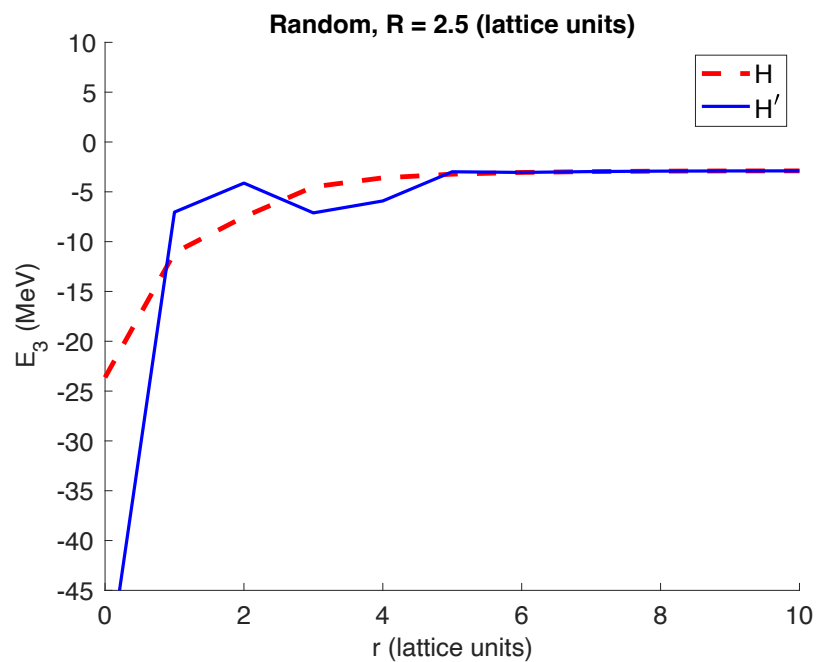
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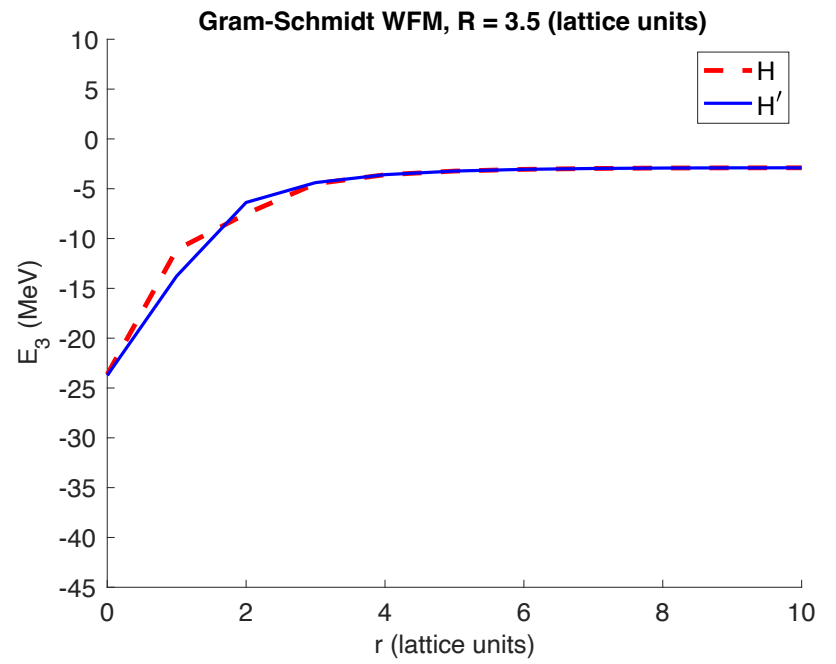
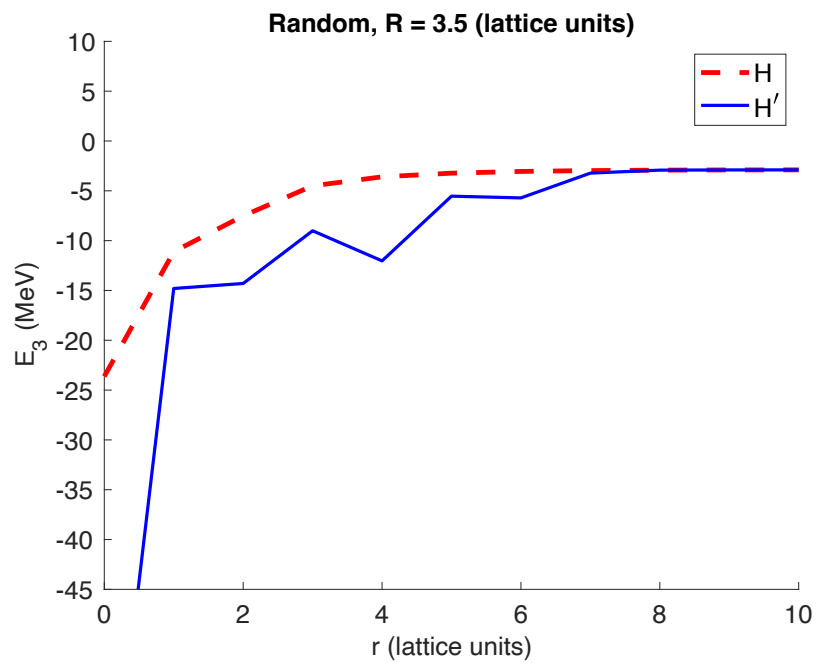


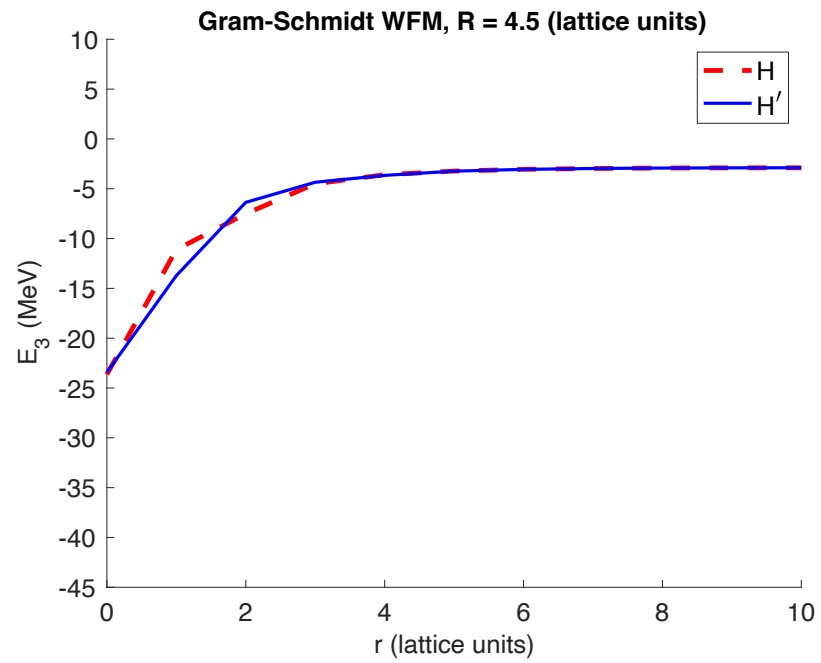
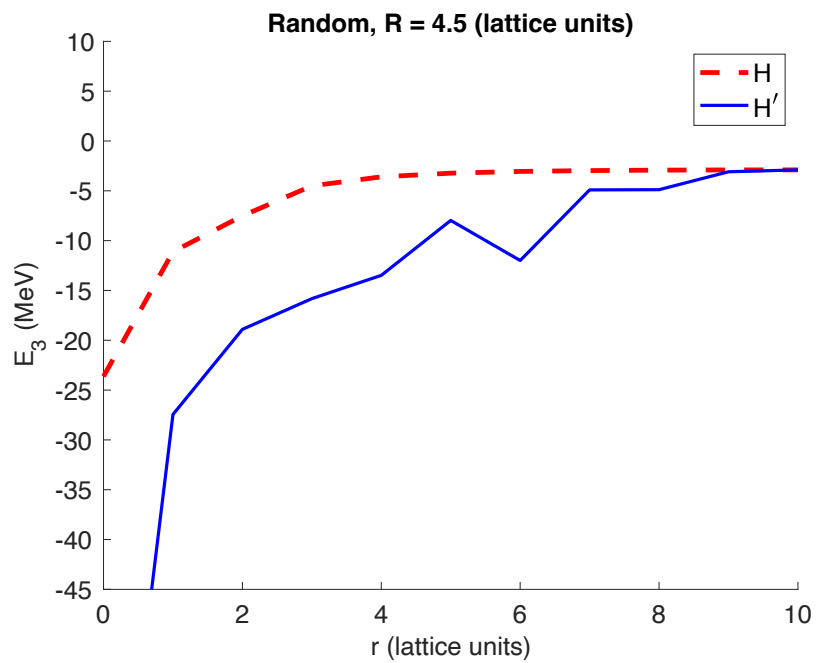
1D system with two infinitely heavy particles and one light particle

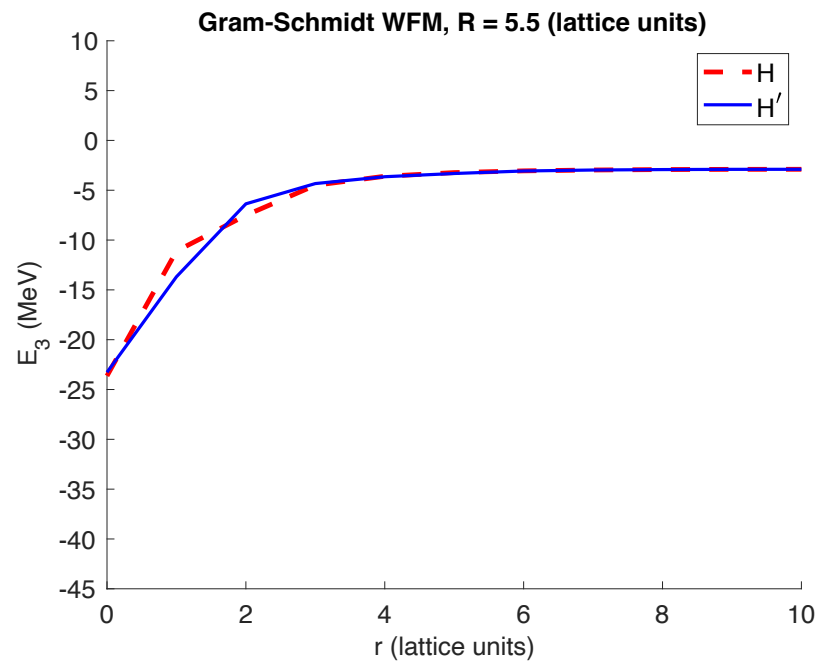
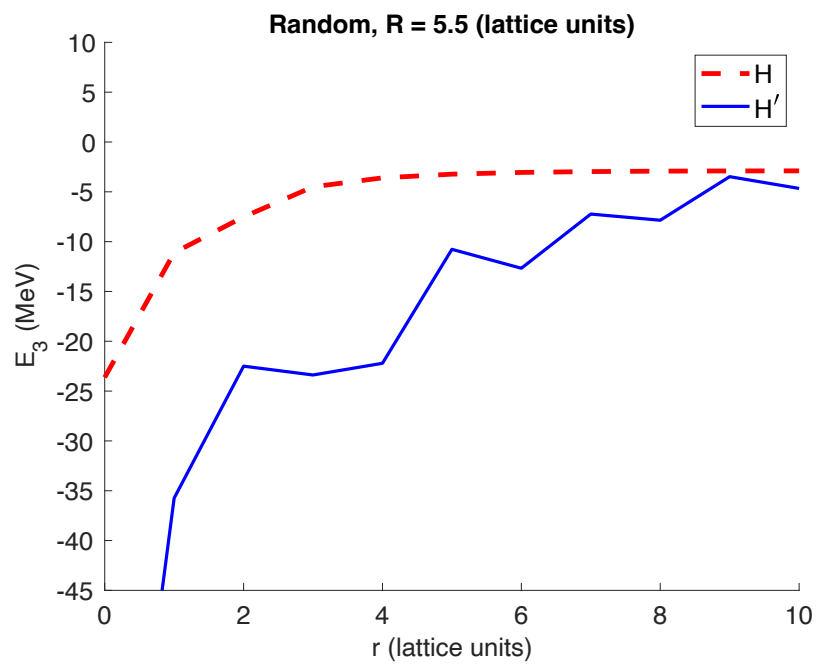
Difference in the three-body ground state energy gives the induced three-body interaction for chosen positions of the infinitely heavy particles.

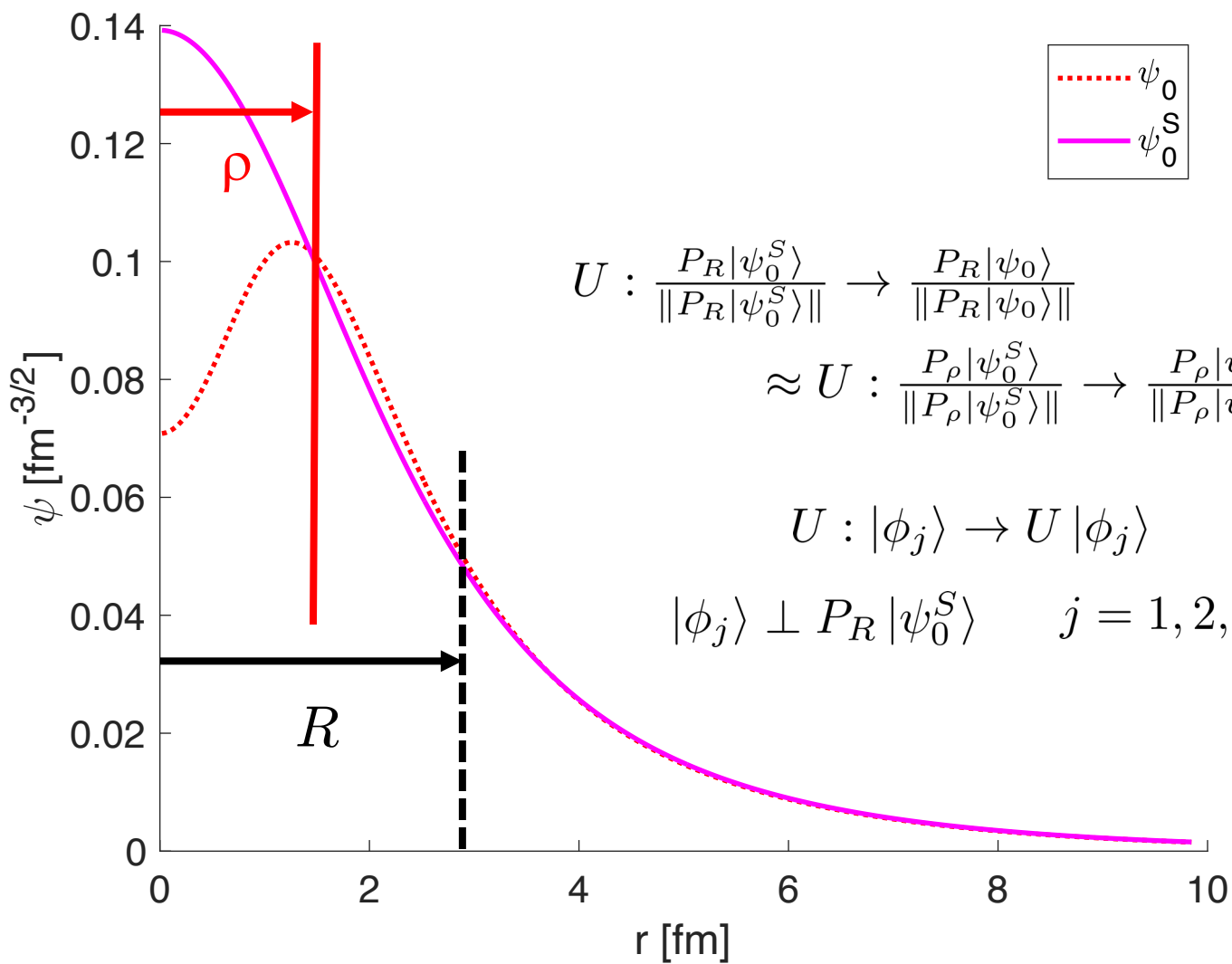




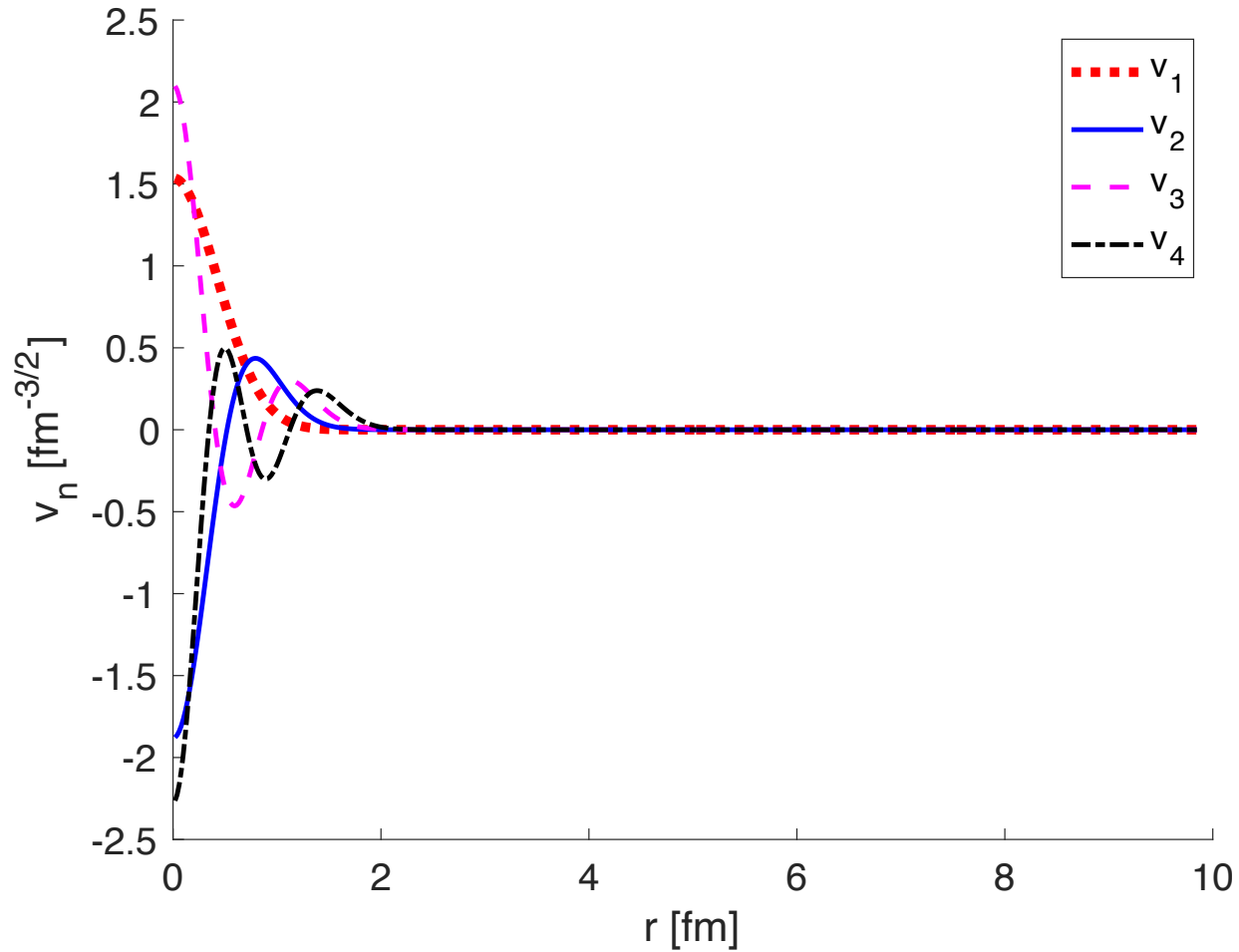


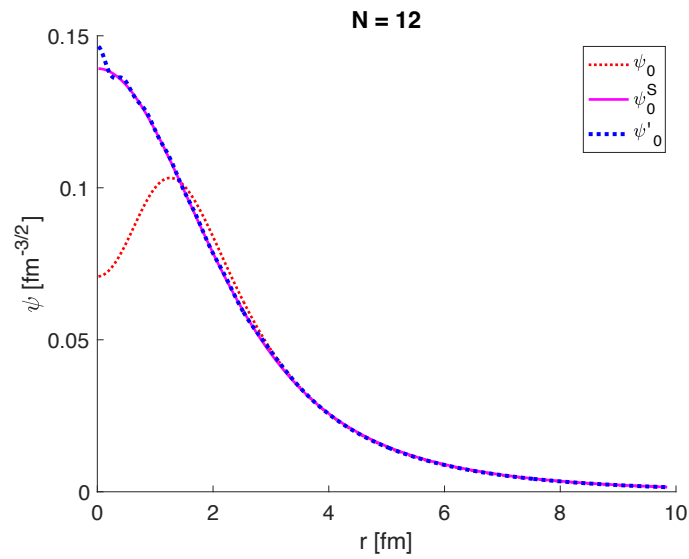
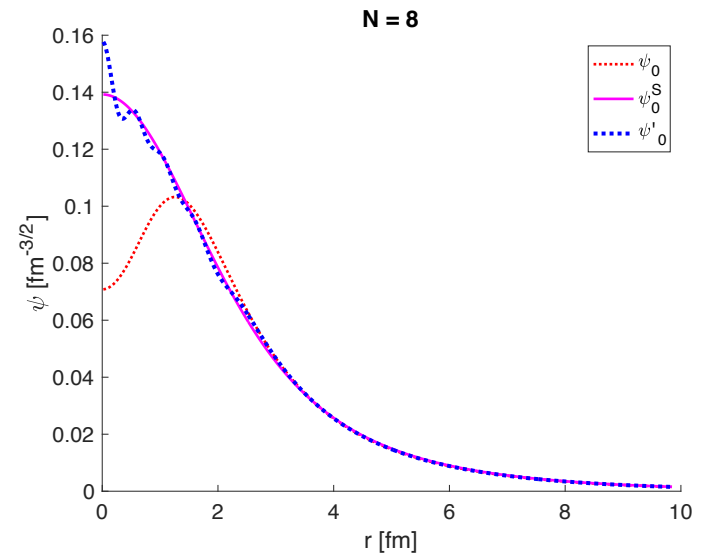
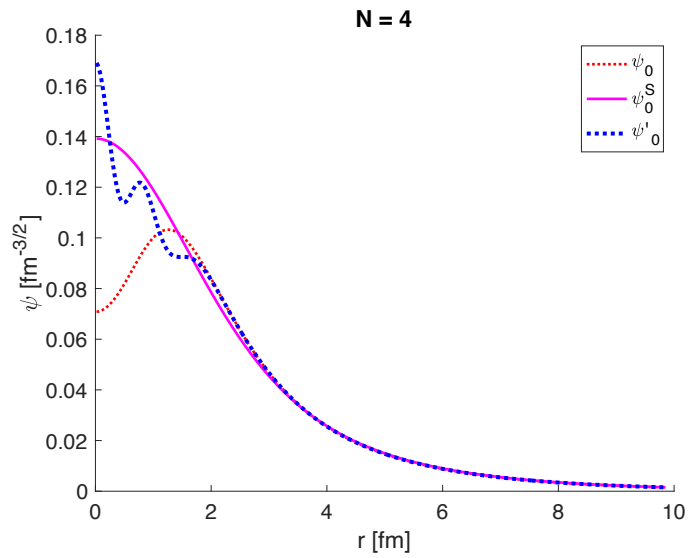






Wave function matching in continuous space





Summary

After an introduction to lattice effective field theory, we presented the floating block method for quantum Monte Carlo simulations. The floating block method allows one to calculate the inner product between eigenvectors of different Hamiltonians. We then discussed wave function matching. After this, we demonstrated the basic concepts using simple examples and applied wave function matching to calculations of nuclear structure at N³LO in chiral effective field theory. We then discussed some theoretical concepts associated with wave function matching and described how it can be applied in the continuum.