Beyond the Harmonic Oscillator basis

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Beyond Nmax truncation: Symmetry-Adapted No-Core Shell Model

Accelerating convergence: Laguerre basis

Accelerating convergence: Natural Orbitals

Orbital motion and intrinsic spin

Effective angular momenta \bar{L} , \bar{S}_p , \bar{S}_n , and \bar{S} "Root mean square" $\bar{L}(\bar{L}+1) \equiv \langle \mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{L} \rangle$ $\bar{S}(\bar{S}+1) \equiv \langle \mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{S} \rangle$ $\bar{S}_p(\bar{S}_p+1) \equiv \langle \mathbf{S}_p \cdot \mathbf{S}_p \rangle$ $\bar{S}_n(\bar{S}_n+1) \equiv \langle \mathbf{S}_n \cdot \mathbf{S}_n \rangle$



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Angular momentum decomposition

- CI calculations performed in M_i scheme:
 - single-particle states eigenstates of $\hat{\mathbf{J}}^2 = (\hat{\mathbf{L}} + \hat{\mathbf{S}})^2$
 - many-body basis states eigenstates of \hat{J}_z , with eigenvalue M_j
- Decomposition of wavefunction in terms of L² and S²

C.W. Johnson, PRC91, 034313 (2015)



Approximate symmetries in nuclei

- Angular momentum plus quadrupole operators: SU(3)
- Quadrupole-quadrupole interaction $\hat{\mathbf{H}} \sim \hat{\mathcal{Q}} \cdot, \hat{\mathcal{Q}}$
- Intrinsic quadrupole deformations, characterized by (λμ)
- Successful in description rotational spectra of heavy deformed nuclei using nuclear shell model
- Intrinsic spins (S_pS_nS)



Dytrych et al, J. Phy. G35, 123101 (2008)

Elliott, Proc. Roy. Soc. A245, 128 (1958)

SU(3) decomposition ⁶Li and ⁸Be gs wavefuntions



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Truncated NCSM basis based on SU(3) decomposition

Dytrych et al, PRL111, 252501 (2013)



• Results obtained in reduced basis spaces $\langle N_{\text{max}}^{\perp} \rangle N_{\text{max}}^{\top}$

- all configurations up to $N_{\rm max}^{\perp}$
- b dominant SU(3) components up to N^T_{max}
- factorization of CM motion

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Image: A matrix

Symplectic symmetry

 $\text{Sp}(3,\mathbb{R})$ symmetry

Dytrych, McCoy, Caprio, Draayer, Launey, Langr, ...

- relates SU(3) states with different number of oscillator quanta
- raising operators can be used to enlarge many-body basis



Harmonic Oscillator basis



Wood–Saxon potential

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- Solved using H.O. basis functions
- Solution for 1s_{1/2}

Harmonic Oscillator radial wavefunction

$$R_{nl}(b;r) = \left(\frac{r}{b}\right)^{l+1} L_n^{l+\frac{1}{2}} \left((r/b)^2 \right) e^{-\frac{1}{2}(r/b)^2}$$

- Wrong asymptotic behavior
 - need a lot of H.O. w.f. to build up asymptotic exponential tail
 - slow convergence for long-range operators

Laguerre basis (Coulomb-Sturmian basis)



Caprio, PM, Vary, PRC86, 034312 (2012); PRC90, 03405 (2014)

Laguerre radial wavefunction

$$S_{nl}(b;r) = \left(\frac{2r}{b}\right)^{l+1} L_n^{2l+2}(2r/b) e^{-r/b}$$

- Length scale b_l choosen such that nodes of n = 1 Laguerre and n = 1 HO w.f. coincide
- Laguerre basis
 - ► truncation on ∑(2n + I) for comparison with HO basis

Image: A matrix

 no exact factorization of CM motion

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Change of radial basis functions

- Talmi–Moshinsky brackets for H.O. basis functions, not for arbitrary radial wfns
- Transform NN potential in single-particle coordinates from H.O. to desired radial basis (i.e. Laguerre)
- 2-body matrix elements transfomation

$$\langle ar{a}ar{b}; J|V|ar{c}ar{d}; J
angle \; = \; \sum_{a,b,c,d} \langle a|ar{a}
angle \langle b|ar{b}
angle \langle c|ar{c}
angle \langle d|ar{d}
angle \langle ab; J|V|cd; J
angle_{ ext{H.O.}}$$

Transformation coefficients for radial basis

$$\langle R^b_{nl}|S^{ar{b}}_{ar{n}l}
angle \ = \ \int_0^\infty R^b_{nl}(b;r) \ S^{ar{b}}_{ar{n}l}(ar{b};r) dr$$

- Sum is in principle infinite sum
 - have to check convergence with truncation

Center of Mass motion – H.O. basis



- Without Lagrange multiplier
 - ▶ at *N*_{max} = 6
 - 4 degenerate states: *J*^π = 1⁺ states at *N*_{max} = 4 with 2 guanta CM excitations
 - 6 degenerate states: *J*^π = 3⁺ states at *N*_{max} = 4 with 2 quanta CM excitations

• degenerate states at $N_{\text{max}} = 8$:

- 1⁺ and 3⁺ states at N_{max} = 6 with 2 quanta CM excitations
- 1⁺ and 3⁺ states at N_{max} = 4 with 4 quanta CM excitations
- Adding Lagrange multiplier to Hamiltonian (Lawson term)

$$\hat{\mathbf{H}}_{\text{rel}} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \hat{\mathbf{H}}_{\text{rel}} + \Lambda_{\text{CM}} \Big(\hat{\mathbf{H}}_{\text{CM}}^{\text{H.O.}} - \frac{3}{2} \hbar \omega \Big)$$

removes all states with CM excitations from low-lying spectrum

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Center of Mass motion - Laguerre basis?



Asymtotic behavior

- ► H.O. basis exp(-ar²)
- Laguerre basis exp(-cr)
- Disadvantage
 - no exact factorization of Center-of-Mass motion
 - in practice, approximate factorization

Hagen, Papenbrock, Dean, PRL103, 062503

- can use Lawson term to remove spurious state
- can correct for (most of) the effect of Lawson term on the intrinsic state

Caprio, PM, Vary, PRC86, 034312 (2012)

Laguerre basis for halo nuclei (Coulomb-Sturmian)

(c) ⁶He 0⁴ HO ⁶He 0⁴₁ CS He 0 -18 CS = 1.414-20E (MeV) 2.6 2.4 ·(ffm) ħΩ (MeV) ħΩ (MeV) ħΩ (MeV) ħΩ (MeV) ħΩ (MeV) ħΩ (MeV)

Caprio, Maris, Vary, PRC90, 03405 (2014)

Different length parameters b_l for protons and neutrons

Radii of He isotopes with JISP16



- HO and Laguerre (CS) basis in good agreement with each other
- Qualitative agreement with data
- Note: matter radii in agreement with elastic scattering measurement/extraction of experimental radius

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Choice of radial wavefunctions



- H.O. basis falls off like Gaussian, but asymptotic wavefunction falls of as an exponential
- Choose basis wavefunctions with explicit exponential falloff
 - Laguerre (Coulomb–Sturmian) basis
 - Wood–Saxon basis

- Negoita, PhD thesis, ISU 2010
- Can we make the Hamiltonian construct the orbitals?
 - Natural orbitals

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Constantinou, PhD thesis, Notre Dame 2016

Natural Orbitals

- Many-body basis: configurations of nucleons over (nlj) orbitals
- Scalar one-body density matrix

$$ho^{(0)} \,=\, \langle ar{\Psi} | [a^\dagger ilde{b}]_{00} | \Psi
angle$$

Scalar OBDM is block diagonal

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Natural Orbitals

- Many-body basis: configurations of nucleons over (nlj) orbitals
- Perform No-Core CI calculation in H.O. basis

EXAMPLE $(s_{1/2})^2 (p_{3/2})^2$ *e.g.*, ⁶He neutrons

Diagonalize block-diagonal scalar OBDM

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Natural Orbitals

- Many-body basis: configurations of nucleons over (nlj) orbitals
- Perform No-Core CI calculation in H.O. basis
- Diagonalize block-diagonal scalar OBDM

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 Change basis on radial wavefunctions using eigenvectors of OBDM

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Natural Orbitals for ⁶He: $0s_2^1$

Initial NCCI calculation in harmonic oscillator basis

Scalar density matrix \Rightarrow natural orbitals

Accesses oscillator orbitals up to $N = N_{\text{max}}$ (p) or $N_{\text{max}} + 1$ (n) N = 2n + l



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Natural Orbitals for ⁶He: neutron $0p_{\overline{2}}^3$

Constantinou, Caprio, Vary and Maris, arXiv:1605.04976 [nucl-th]



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Ground state energies: H.O. basis

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RMS radii: H.O. basis



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RMS radii: Natural Orbitals



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Also works for excited states: ⁶Li



- More calculations underway
- Next step: iterate
 - self-consistent natural orbitals
- To be continued ...

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Resonances: need to include continuum

For further reading

- Berggren basis / Gamow Shell Model
 - incorporate continuum into basis Berggren, Nucl. Phys. A109 265 (1968)
 - diagonalize complex symmetrix matrix Michel, Nazarewicz, Ploszajczak, Vertse
 J. Phys. G36, 013101 (2009) arXiv:0810.2728 [nucl-th]
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 - Shin, Kim, PM, Vary, Forssén, Rotureau and Michel, arXiv:1605.02819 [nucl-th]

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