

Connecting EFT to EDF for strongly interacting fermions

Bridging nuclear *ab-initio* and density functional theories

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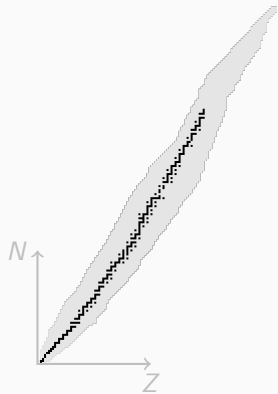
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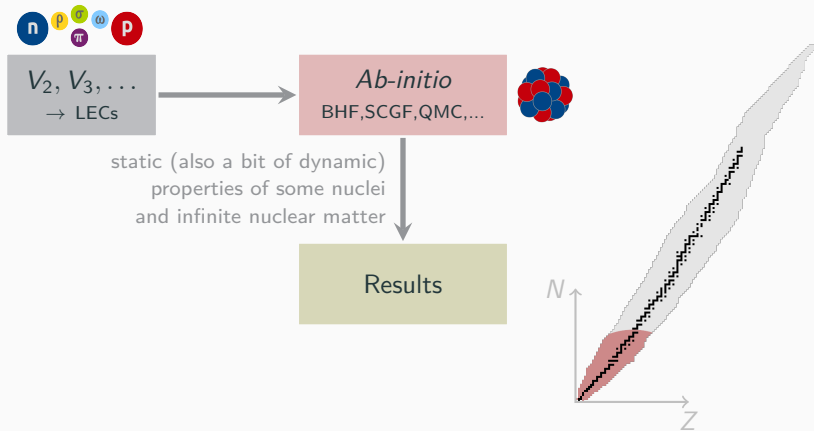
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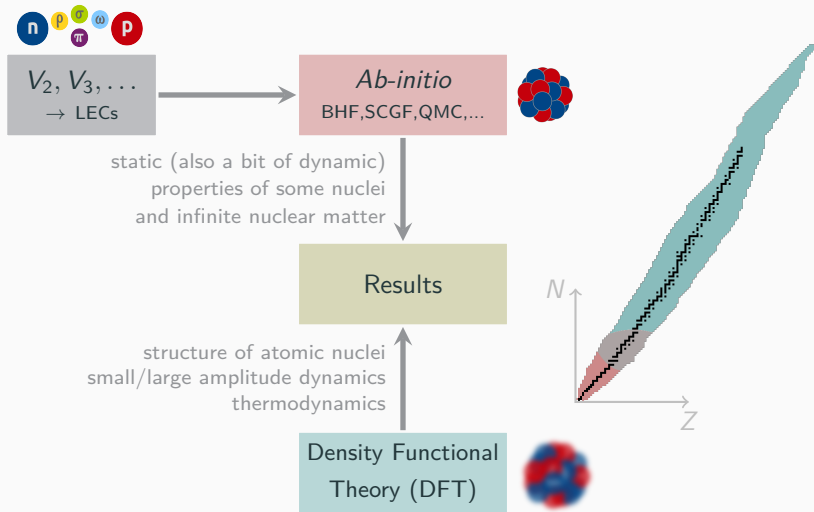
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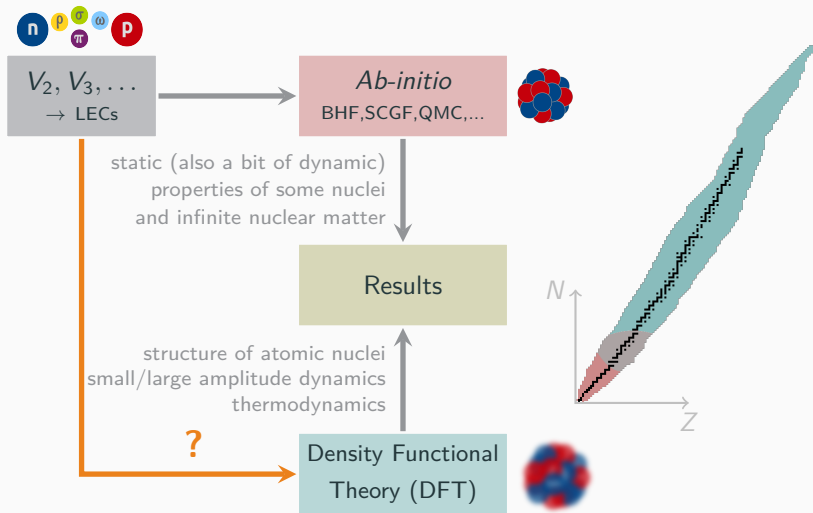
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In this work → a focus on infinite matter

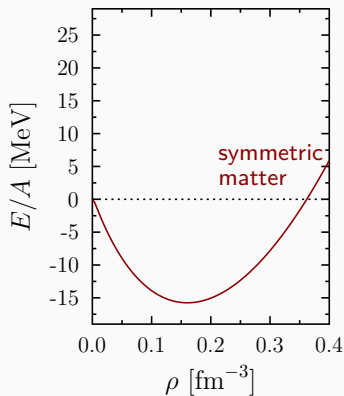
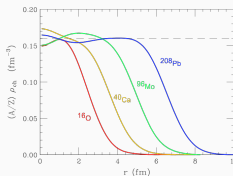
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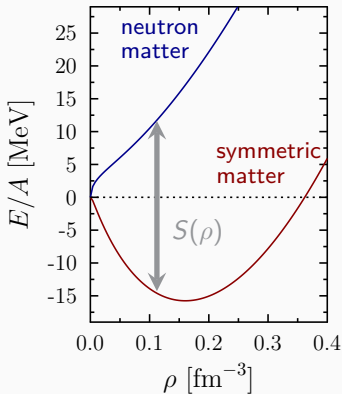
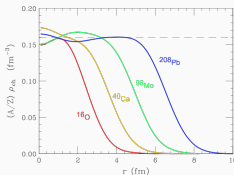
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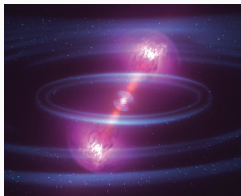
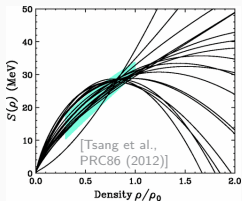
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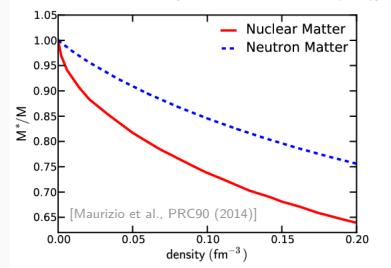
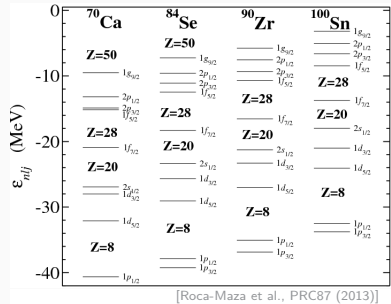
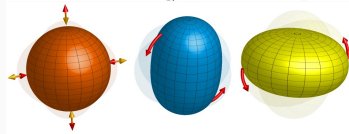
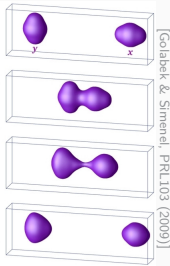
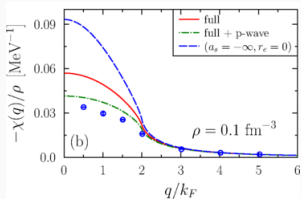
- Symmetry energy $S(\rho)$:
astrophysical interest



EOS of infinite matter and observations II

Emergence of single-particle picture of nuclear systems

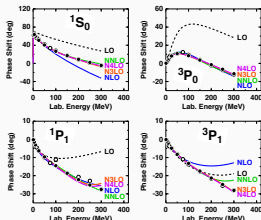
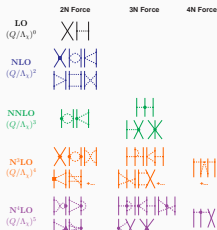
- Density level (ε_{nlj})
- Quasi-particle properties (effective mass m^* , ...)



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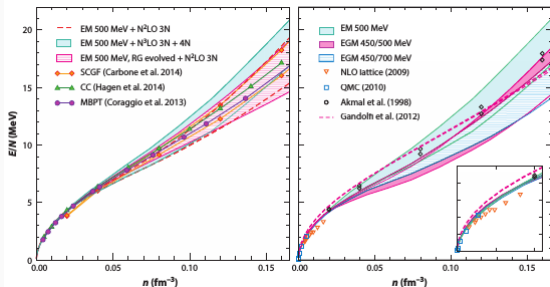
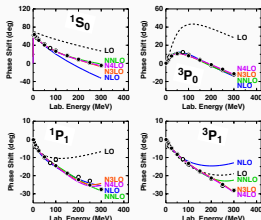
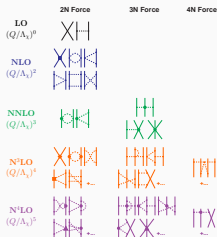
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- ✓ Direct link to QCD (chiral)
- ✓ Systematic, Consistent, Constructive
- ✗ Errorbars for saturation points are large
- ✓ Exact calculations
- ✗ Costly numerically (limitations)
- ✗ Non-explicit in term of the LECs/density

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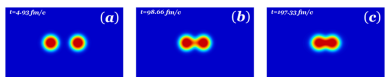
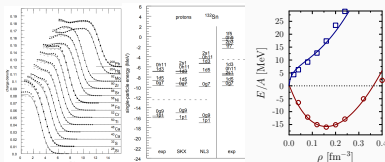
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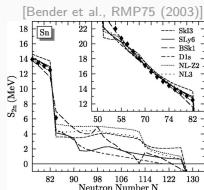
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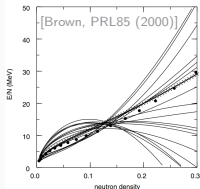
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Connect EFT to EDF? (neutron matter case in s-wave channel)

Pionless EFT

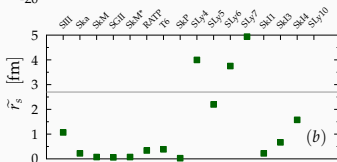
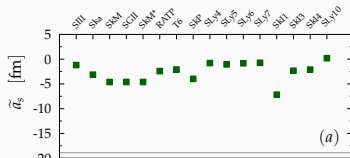
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$$C_0 = \frac{4\pi a_s}{m} \quad \& \quad \frac{C_2}{C_0} = \frac{a_s r_s}{2}$$

Skyrme effective interaction

$$\langle \mathbf{k}' | V_{nn}^{Sk} | \mathbf{k} \rangle = t_0(1 - x_0) + \frac{1}{2} t_1(1 - x_1) [\mathbf{k}'^2 + \mathbf{k}^2] + \dots$$

$$t_0(1 - x_0) = \frac{4\pi \tilde{a}_s}{m} \quad \& \quad \frac{t_1(1 - x_1)}{t_0(1 - x_0)} = \frac{\tilde{a}_s \tilde{r}_s}{2}$$



- Similar expression
- Skyrme parameters \neq physical LECs

Strong renormalization of the LECs from vacuum to saturation

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 - Standard MB techniques: BHF, SCGF, QMC, AFDMC, ...
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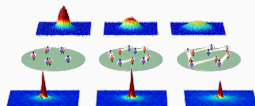
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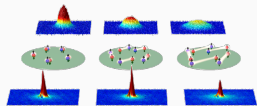
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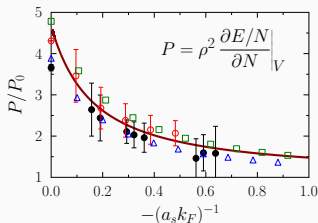
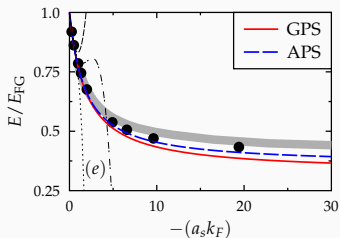
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- ✓ All order contributions included
- ✓ Valid at low density
(exact up to 2nd order)
- ✓ Depend only on ρ (k_F) and a_s :
non-empirical DFT
- ✓ **No adjustment !**

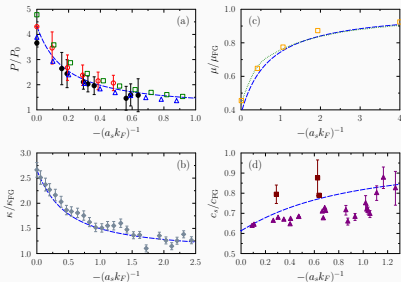


Selected applications and/or extensions

Constraint on unitarity limits

$a_s \rightarrow \pm\infty$ (ultracold atoms + NM)

- thermodynamics of Fermi gas



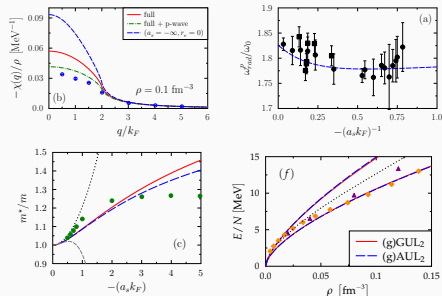
Including quasi-particle properties

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- effective mass of Fermi gas

Generalization including effective range effect

- EOS of dilute neutron matter
[Lacroix, AB, et al., PRC 95 (2017)]
- static and dynamical linear response + collective modes
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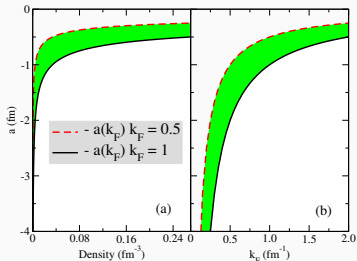
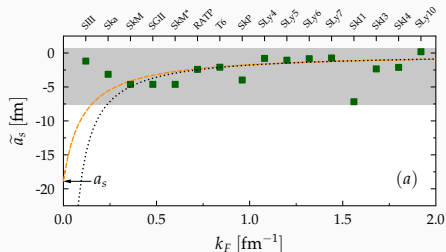
Rewritten as:

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Skyrme: $V_{Sk} = t_0(1 - x_0)\delta(\mathbf{r})$

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with: $\frac{4\pi}{m} \tilde{a}_s = t_0(1 - x_0)$

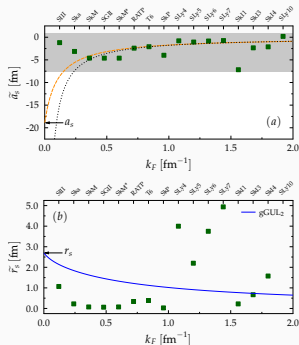


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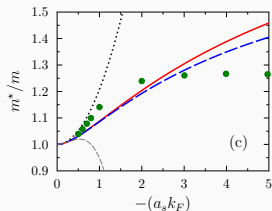
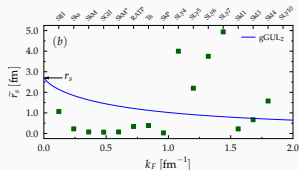
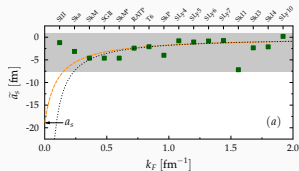
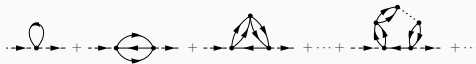
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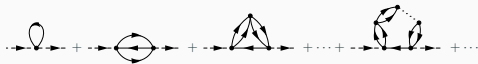
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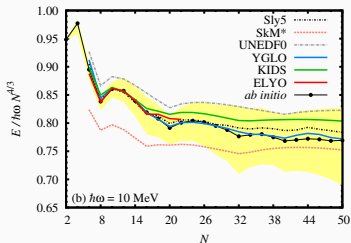
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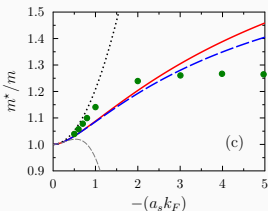
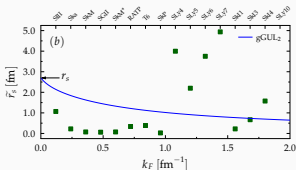
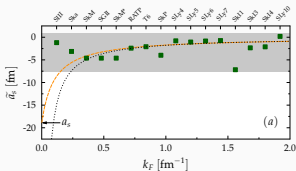
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- First step towards finite systems $\rightarrow \nabla\rho, \dots$
 (Beyond Local Density Approximation)



[Bonnard, Grasso, Lacroix, PRC98 (2018)]



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Summary and conclusions

- Phase-space approximation of the energy (simplified model)
 - ✓ simple and explicit density dependence = non-empirical EDF
 - ✓ predictive from low density to strong coupling limits without adjustment
 - ✓ renormalization of the LECs = link with empirical EDF
- Inclusion of quasi-particle properties
 - ✓ predictive at low and intermediate density
 - ✓ towards finite systems: beyond LDA ($\nabla\rho, \dots$)
 - ✗ far from expected results in non-perturbative regime: need to be adjusted (see YGLO for instance)
 - ✗ pairing effect: from normal to superfluid

Perspectives and discussions towards non-empirical EDF

- Cross-fertilization: need (pseudo-) data to adjust (\rightarrow experiment or ab-initio)
- Complicated but generalizable (higher order in the interaction, pairing, bound states,...)