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Monday 8805 Class

Left over from 11/24/14 \Rightarrow do ①, ②, ③

In next 3 pages ②, ③, ④, we recap the 3-body discussion of eliminating degrees of freedom and connect to RG transformations.

Then continue with HUGS 4-37 to 4-44 with overview of infinite matter calculations.

Then finish with a discussion of the tensor interaction on ⑤-⑦ and look at the pictures in the handout.

Next: Chiral EFT in brief (see handouts)

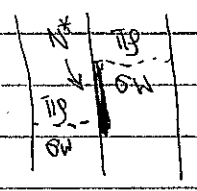
Final: Density functional theory (DFT)

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Revisiting 3 body force discussion

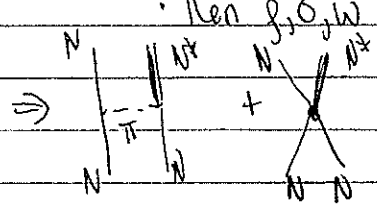
- We discussed the examples of the Earth-Moon-Sun system and the interaction of neutral atoms as places where the low-energy theory has three-body forces.
- The general feature is that three-body forces arise from the elimination of degrees of freedom
- if we included positions of individual masses or interactions between all electrons, then two-body only.
- eliminating these variables (degrees of freedom) in favor of collective coordinates (center-of-mass position) required three-body forces.

So what about the nuclear case?



In this diagram two nucleons exchange a boson, maybe a pion, maybe a heavier meson, exciting an N* (excited state of nucleon) for a brief period. N* could mean a Δ, could mean something else.

Suppose our theory had both N's and N*'s explicitly and mass but no ρ, σ, ω (treated as heavy)



Then $\rho, \sigma, \omega \rightarrow$ expanded as contacts plus derivatives of contacts [cf. $\frac{1}{(R^2+L^2)^{1/2}} \rightarrow C_0 + C_2(R^2+L^2) + C_4(R^2+L^2)^2 + \dots$] would be diagrams included in the low-energy theory, but no 3-body, because $\frac{1}{K}$, etc. is two successive 2-body interactions!

But now if we eliminate N* \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow this is a 3-body force

3-body if can't be broken into successive two-body interactions

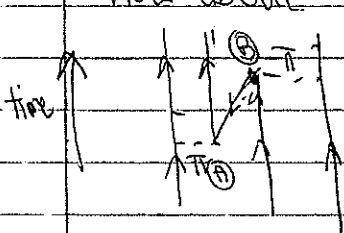
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- When is it good to replace the N^* excitation? When we don't resolve that it was excited.

- By the uncertainty principle, if we excite by ΔE a virtual state, it can last for $\Delta t = \hbar/\Delta E$, which is short if ΔE is large \Rightarrow endpoints are close enough so they are not resolved \Rightarrow replace by contact and derivatives.
- So this is a danger if $M_\Delta - M_N \approx 300 \text{ MeV}$, then it will break down much sooner than for energy differences of 500-1000 MeV (such as heavier meson exchanges).
- We will keep coming back to this!
- Expansion parameter $Q/(m_\pi m_N)$ may be smaller than we want!

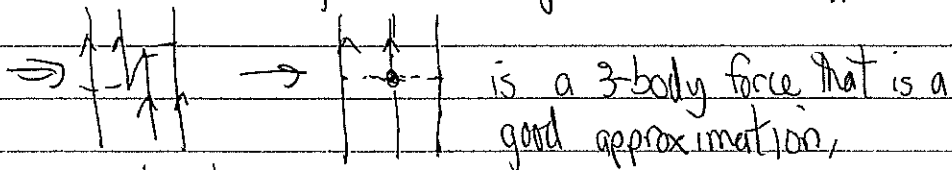
• How about a process like:



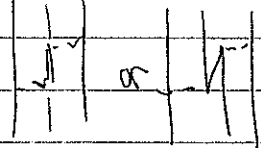
• So the idea is that a nucleon emits a pion that becomes a nucleon-anti-nucleon pair at (A). The anti-nucleon annihilates with a 2nd nucleon at (B) emitting a pion absorbed by a 3rd nucleon.

Class: • In the previous case, we had $\Delta E \geq M_\pi$. What is it here?

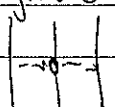
• Initially $3 \times m_N + \text{kinetic}$, in the middle an extra $2m_N$
 $\Rightarrow \Delta E \geq 2m_N$, which is large $\Rightarrow \Delta t$ is small



is a 3-body force that is a good approximation,

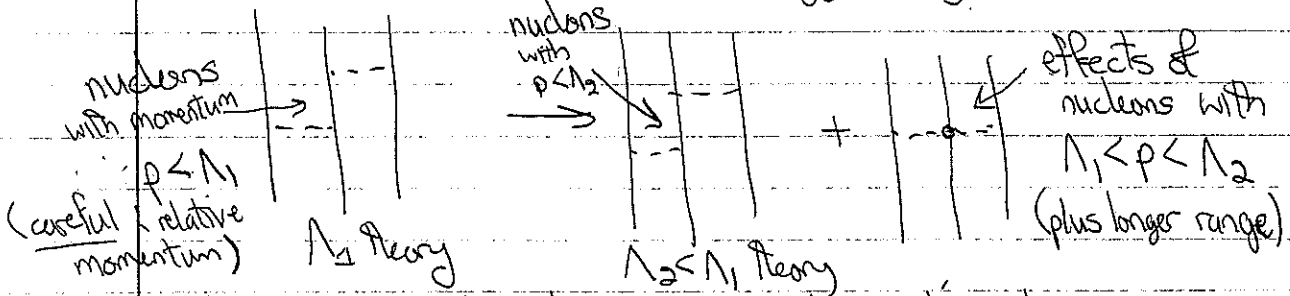
Important:  may be good or bad, or incomplete models - maybe it requires quarks and gluons to describe. As long as

but there can be signatures in the couplings

 contains all allowed (by symmetries) vertices, then we don't care - we will be model independent with our EFT!

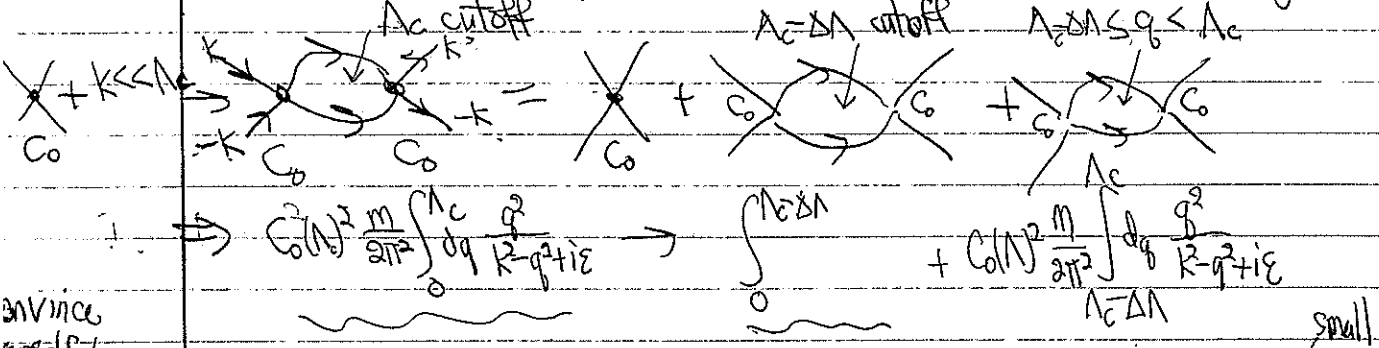
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- Moral: whether we have a 3-body force or not and how large a contribution depends on our choice of degrees of freedom.
- But this includes where our cut off eliminates nucleons from our low-energy theory



\Rightarrow even with just nucleons, two-body interactions become 3-body if we eliminate degrees of freedom (in this case by lowering Λ_c)

- This is the same principle as we had with $C_0(\Lambda)$ in the pionless theory:



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 itself!
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 uncertainty
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 argument

But $k^2 \ll q^2$ in 2nd integral because $k \ll \Lambda_c = \Delta\Lambda \Rightarrow \frac{1}{k^2 - q^2 + i\epsilon} \rightarrow -\frac{1}{q^2} (1 + \frac{k^2}{q^2} + \dots)$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\Lambda_c = \Delta\Lambda}^{\Lambda_c} dq^2 \frac{q^2}{k^2 - q^2 + i\epsilon} \rightarrow - \int_{\Lambda_c = \Delta\Lambda}^{\Lambda_c} dq^2 \frac{q^2}{q^2} + k^2 \int_{\Lambda_c = \Delta\Lambda}^{\Lambda_c} dq^2 \frac{-q^2}{q^4} + \dots \approx -\Delta\Lambda (1 + O(\frac{k^2}{\Lambda_c^2}))$$

\Rightarrow the ~~diagram~~ contribution for $\Lambda_c = \Delta\Lambda < q < \Lambda_c$ looks mostly like a constant: ~~diagram~~

what
 if different
 regulator?
 Just factors!

\Rightarrow Change C_0 to compensate $\Delta C_0 = C_0(\Lambda) \frac{m}{2\pi^2} (-\Delta\Lambda)$ or $\frac{d}{d\Lambda} C_0(\Lambda) = \frac{m}{2\pi^2} (C_0(\Lambda))^2$ which is the RG equation from an earlier lecture (sign does work!) (sign does work: if $d\Lambda < 0$, then C_0 decreases \checkmark)

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Where does the tensor interaction come from?

- One source is the pion, and the pion tensor interaction has important effects on nuclear structure.

Let's do a quick derivation of the one-pion exchange potential starting from the interacting Hamiltonian density

$$H_{int} = \frac{g_A}{2F_\pi} N^\dagger \vec{\sigma} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \vec{\pi} \cdot \vec{\tau}) N \quad (\text{lots of hidden indices!})$$

$\vec{\sigma}$ \leftarrow 2x2 matrix in spin
 $\vec{\tau}$ \leftarrow 2x2 matrix in isospin

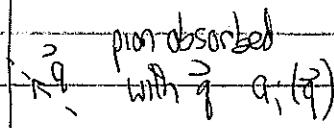
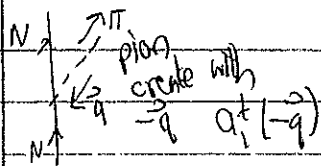
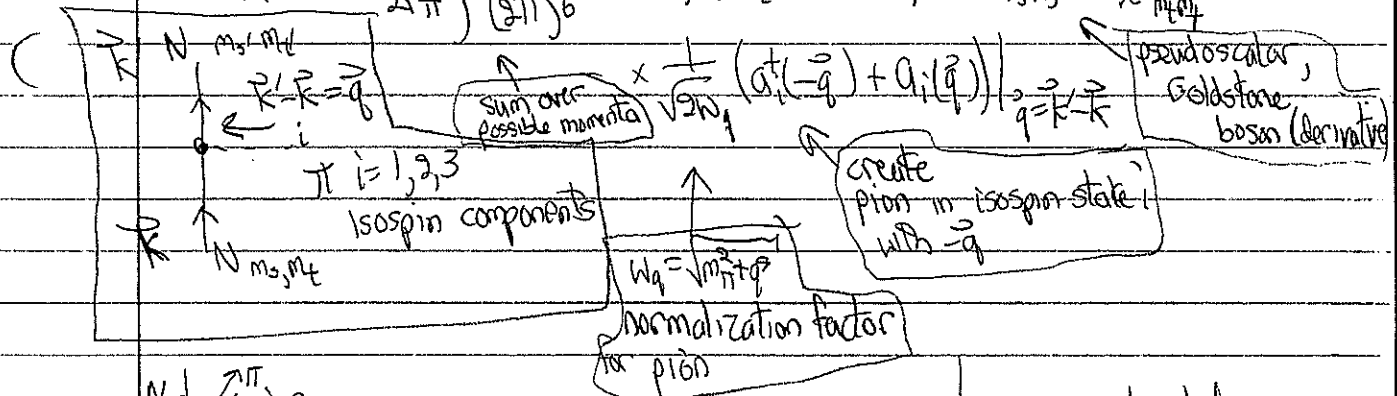
In 2nd quantized form

create nucleon with k, m_s, m_t

$g_A \approx 1.27$
 $F_\pi \approx 92.4 \text{ MeV}$

$$H_{int} = -i \frac{g_A}{2F_\pi} \int d^3k d^3k' \frac{1}{(2\pi)^6} b^\dagger(k, m_s, m_t) b(k', m_s, m_t) \vec{\sigma}_{m_s m_s'} \cdot \vec{q}(\vec{r})^i$$

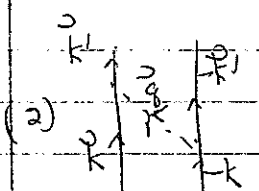
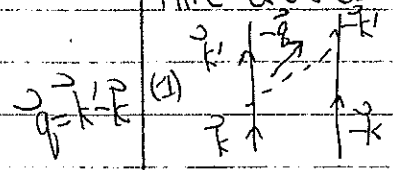
$\vec{q}(\vec{r})^i \leftarrow T=1, \text{ isotriplet}$



Time-ordered perturbation theory (2nd order)

$$\langle k' | V_{\text{OPE}}^{(1)} | k \rangle = \sum_{\text{pion}} \frac{\langle k' | H_{int} | n \rangle \langle n | H_{int} | k \rangle}{E_i - E_0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{q^2 + m_\pi^2}} = -\omega_q$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\omega_q} \left(-i \frac{g_A}{2F_\pi} \right)^2 \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{q} \frac{1}{2\omega_q} \vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot (-\vec{q}) \vec{\tau}_1 \cdot \vec{\tau}_2$$



← same with $\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot (-\vec{q}) \vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot \vec{q}$

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Putting it together, class! so this is a local potential (any particle exchange at long distance)

$$V_{\text{OPE}}(\vec{R}', \vec{R}) = V_{\text{OPE}}(\vec{q} = \vec{R}' - \vec{R}) \quad (1)+(2)$$

$$= -\frac{g_A^2}{(2F_\pi)^2} \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{q} \vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot \vec{q} \frac{2}{2\omega_q} \vec{\tau}_1 \cdot \vec{\tau}_2$$

$$= -\frac{g_A^2}{4F_\pi^2} \frac{\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{q} \vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot \vec{q}}{q^2 + m_\pi^2} \vec{\tau}_1 \cdot \vec{\tau}_2$$

In one of the Piazza exercises, you carry out the Fourier transform showing $\int \frac{d^3q}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{q^2 + m_\pi^2} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}} = \frac{1}{4\pi r} e^{-m_\pi r}$ (standard, but remind yourself)

and then evaluating the derivatives in $\vec{\sigma}_i \cdot \vec{q}$. The bottom line is

$$V_{\text{OPE}}(\vec{r}) = \frac{m_\pi^3}{12\pi (2F_\pi)^2} \vec{\tau}_1 \cdot \vec{\tau}_2 \left[3T(r)S_{12}(\hat{r}) + Y(r)\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2 \right]$$

where $T(r) = \frac{e^{-m_\pi r}}{m_\pi r} \left(1 + \frac{3}{m_\pi r} + \frac{3}{(m_\pi r)^2} \right)$ \leftarrow singular $\frac{1}{r^3}$!

$$Y(r) = \frac{e^{-m_\pi r}}{m_\pi r}$$

and $S_{12}(\hat{r}) = \left[(\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \hat{r})(\vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot \hat{r}) - \frac{1}{3}\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2 \right]$.

