# Study of $A \le 6$ helium clusters using soft-core potentials

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Jacobi's coordinates –  $A \rightarrow N = A - 1$ 

Kinetic Energy

Center of Mass





$$ec{X} = rac{1}{M}\sum_{i=1}^{A}m_iec{r}_i$$
 ,  $M = \sum_{i=1}^{A}m_i$ 

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Grand-Angular Momentum  $\Lambda_N^2$ 

$$\Delta = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_{i}}^{2} = \left(\frac{\delta^{2}}{\delta\rho^{2}} + \frac{3N-1}{\rho}\frac{\delta}{\delta\rho} + \frac{\Lambda_{N}^{2}(\Omega_{N})}{\rho^{2}}\right)$$

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Raynal-Revai

$$\mathcal{Y}_{[K]}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{K'} \mathcal{A}_{[K],[K']}^{(23)} \mathcal{Y}_{[K']}(\mathbf{x})$$

Kil'dyushov T-coefficients

$$\mathcal{Y}_{[K]}(\mathcal{V}) = \sum_{K'} \mathcal{T}_{[K],[K']} \mathcal{Y}_{[K']}(\mathcal{V})$$

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Always possible! Use Jacobi-adjacent transpositions

$$\sum_{1-2}^{3} A^{(23)} \cdot A^{(12)} \cdot A^{(23)} \cdot \sum_{1-2}^{3} A^{(23)} \cdot A^{(23)} \cdot A^{(23)} \cdot A^{(23)}$$

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Adapted Jacobi coordinates

$$a_{1}^{3} = A^{(12)} \cdot a_{1}^{3} \cdot A^{(12)}$$

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# Applications

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• S-wave potential – only acts when  $I_{ij} = 0$ 

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|------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|-------------|
|                  |                 | [6]                         | [6]                         | [51]                 | [4 2]       |
|                  |                 |                             |                             |                      |             |
| 2                | 15              | 117.205                     | 64.701                      | 62.513               | 61.142      |
| 4                | 120             | 118.861                     | 69.450                      | 64.277               | 62.015      |
| 6                | 680             | 120.345                     | 70.544                      | 66.268               | 63.377      |
| 8                | 3045            | 121.738                     | 71.443                      | 67.280               | 64.437      |
| 10               | 11427           | 122.317                     | 71.923                      | 68.371               | 65.354      |
| 12               | 37310           | 122.597                     | 72.477                      | 69.029               | 65.886      |
| 14               | 108810          | 122.711                     | 72.822                      | 69.531               | 66.201      |
| 16               | 288990          | 122.752                     | 73.101                      | 69.842               | 66.360      |
| 18               | 709410          | 122.768                     | 73.284                      | 70.051               | 66.437      |
| 20               | 1628328         | 122.774                     | 73.407                      | 70.189               | 66.474      |
| 22               | 3527160         | 122.776                     | 73.485                      | 70.283               | 66.491      |
| SVM*             |                 |                             |                             |                      | 66.25       |

\* K. Varga and Y. Suzuki, Phys. Rev. C 52, 2885 (1995)

### All-wave Volkov for A = 6, $L^{\pi} = 0^+$

### All-wave Volkov - Summary

| 0.546 MeV [2] 0+ | 0 500 MeV [3] 0 <sup>+</sup> |                                 |                                |                                |
|------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| A = 2            | 0.577 MC V [5] 0             |                                 |                                |                                |
|                  | 8.465 MeV [3] 0 <sup>+</sup> | 8.562 MeV [4] 0 <sup>+</sup>    |                                |                                |
|                  | A = 3                        | 10.406 MeV [3 1] 1 <sup>-</sup> |                                |                                |
|                  |                              |                                 | 28.72 MeV [4 1] 0 <sup>+</sup> |                                |
|                  |                              | 30.418 MeV [4] 0+               |                                |                                |
|                  |                              | A = 4                           | 31.72 MeV [5] 0+               |                                |
|                  |                              |                                 | 43.03 MeV [4 1] 1 <sup>-</sup> |                                |
|                  |                              |                                 | 68 28 MeV [5] 0+               | 66.49 MeV [4 2] 0 <sup>+</sup> |
|                  |                              |                                 |                                | 70.28 MeV [5 1] 0 <sup>+</sup> |
|                  |                              |                                 | A = 5                          | 73.49 MeV [6] 0 <sup>+</sup>   |
|                  |                              |                                 |                                | 122.78 MeV [6] 0 <sup>+</sup>  |

A = 6

S-wave Volkov - "Physics"



28.43 MeV 0<sup>+</sup>

<sup>4</sup>He

33.02 MeV 0<sup>+</sup>

<sup>6</sup>He

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|                |               |                              | Soft-Gaussian | LM2M2  |
|----------------|---------------|------------------------------|---------------|--------|
| V₀ = −1.227 K  | $\Rightarrow$ | <i>a</i> <sub>0</sub> (a.u.) | 189.95        | 189.05 |
| R = 10.03 a.u. |               | r <sub>0</sub> (a.u.)        | 13.85         | 13.84  |
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• Problem in the three-body sector

|                                    | Soft-Gaussian | LM2M2  |
|------------------------------------|---------------|--------|
| E <sub>3</sub> <sup>(0)</sup> (mK) | -150.4        | -126.4 |
| $E_{3}^{(1)}$ (mK)                 | -2.467        | -2.265 |

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| gaussian  | -150.4              | -2.467              |
| ( <i>W</i> <sub>0</sub> [K], ρ <sub>0</sub> [a.u.]) |                     |                     |
| (306.9,4)   | -126.4              | -2.283              |
| (18.314,6)  | -126.4              | -2.287              |
| (4.0114,8)  | -126.4              | -2.289              |
| (1.4742, 10)  | -126.4              | -2.292              |
| (0.721, 12)   | -126.4              | -2.295              |
| (0.422,14)  | -126.4              | -2.299              |
| (0.279, 16)   | -126.4              | -2.302              |

#### • Soft Potential sum of two- and three-body terms

| ĸ  | $E_{4b}^{(0)}$ [mK] | $E_{4b}^{(1)}$ [mK] | $E_{5b}^{(0)}$ [mK] | $E_{5b}^{(1)}$ [mK] | $E_{6b}^{(0)}$ [mK] | $E_{6b}^{(1)}$ [mK] |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 0  | 538.93              | 4.557               | 1288.1              | 365.1               | 2293.8              | 1109.9              |
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