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**Beyond mean-field models with zero-range effective  
interactions: A way too handle the ultraviolet  
divergence**

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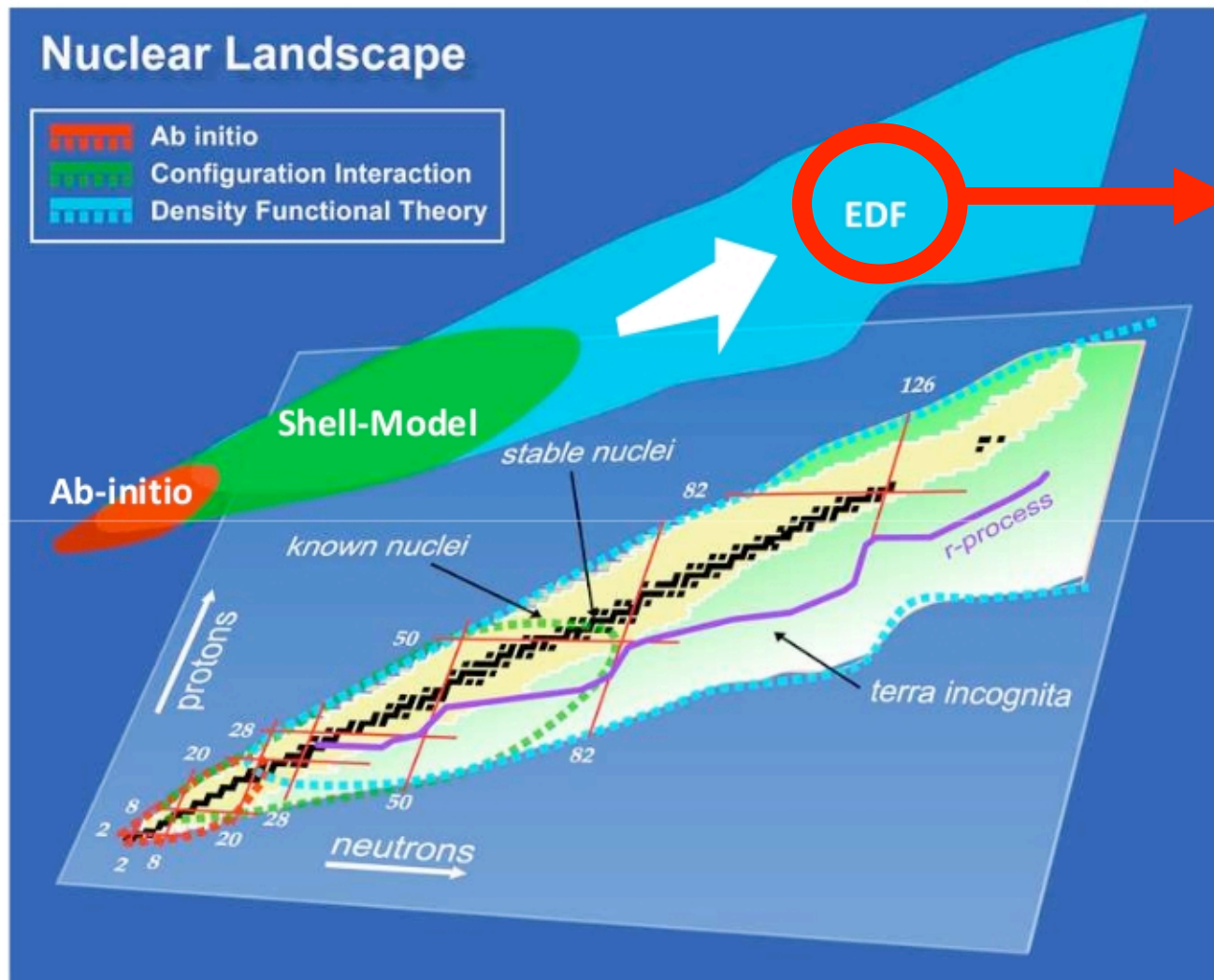


# Milano-Orsay collaboration

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- Moghrabi, Grasso, Colò, Van Giai, ***Beyond Mean-Field Theories with Zero-Range Effective Interactions: A Way to Handle the Ultraviolet Divergence***, PRL 105, 262501 (2010)
- Moghrabi, Grasso, Roca-Maza, Colò, ***Second-order equation of state with the full Skyrme interaction: toward new effective interactions for beyond mean-field models***, in preparation
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# A unified theory for nuclear structure, reactions and stars

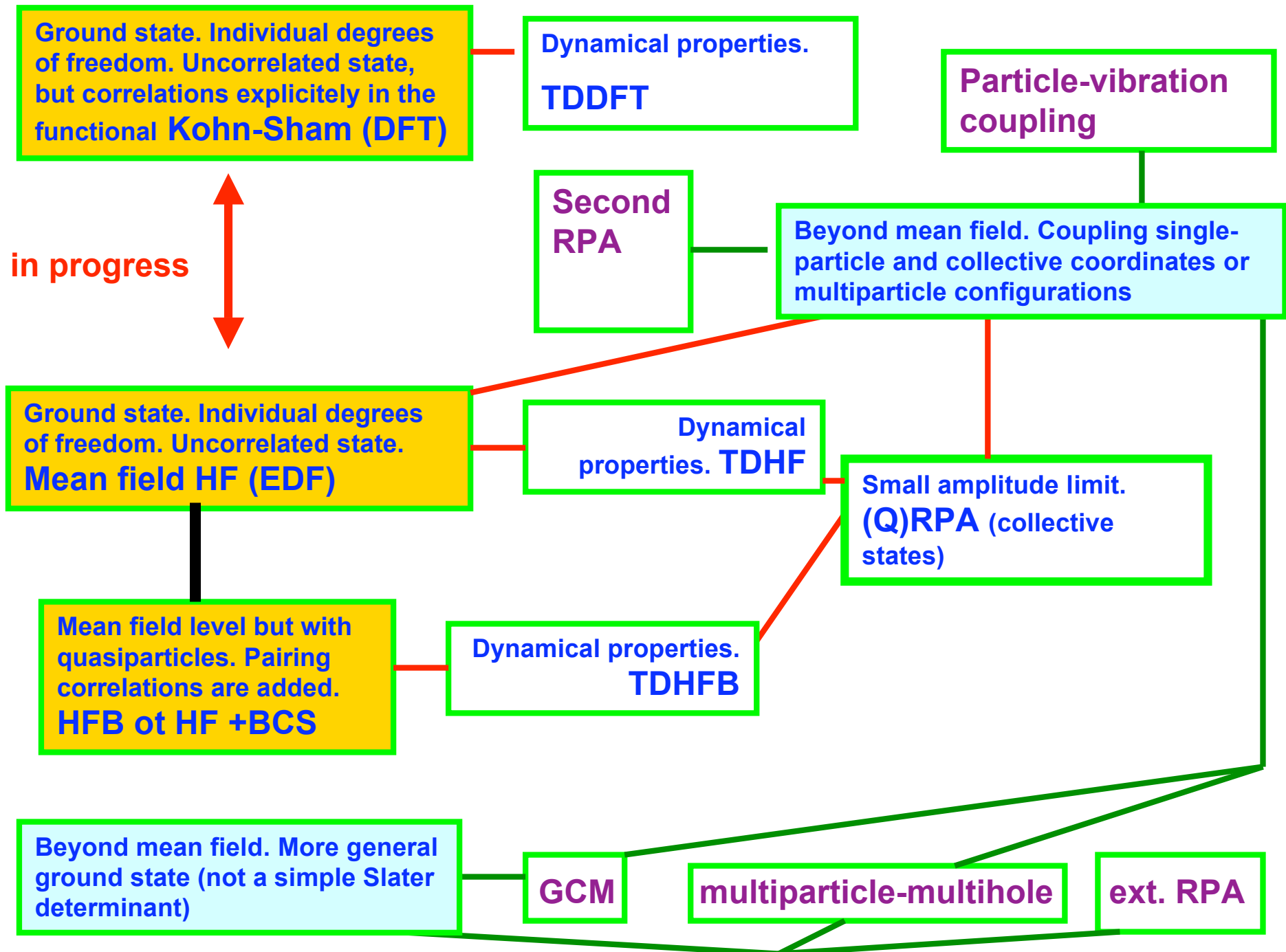
## The Energy Density Functional (EDF) Concept



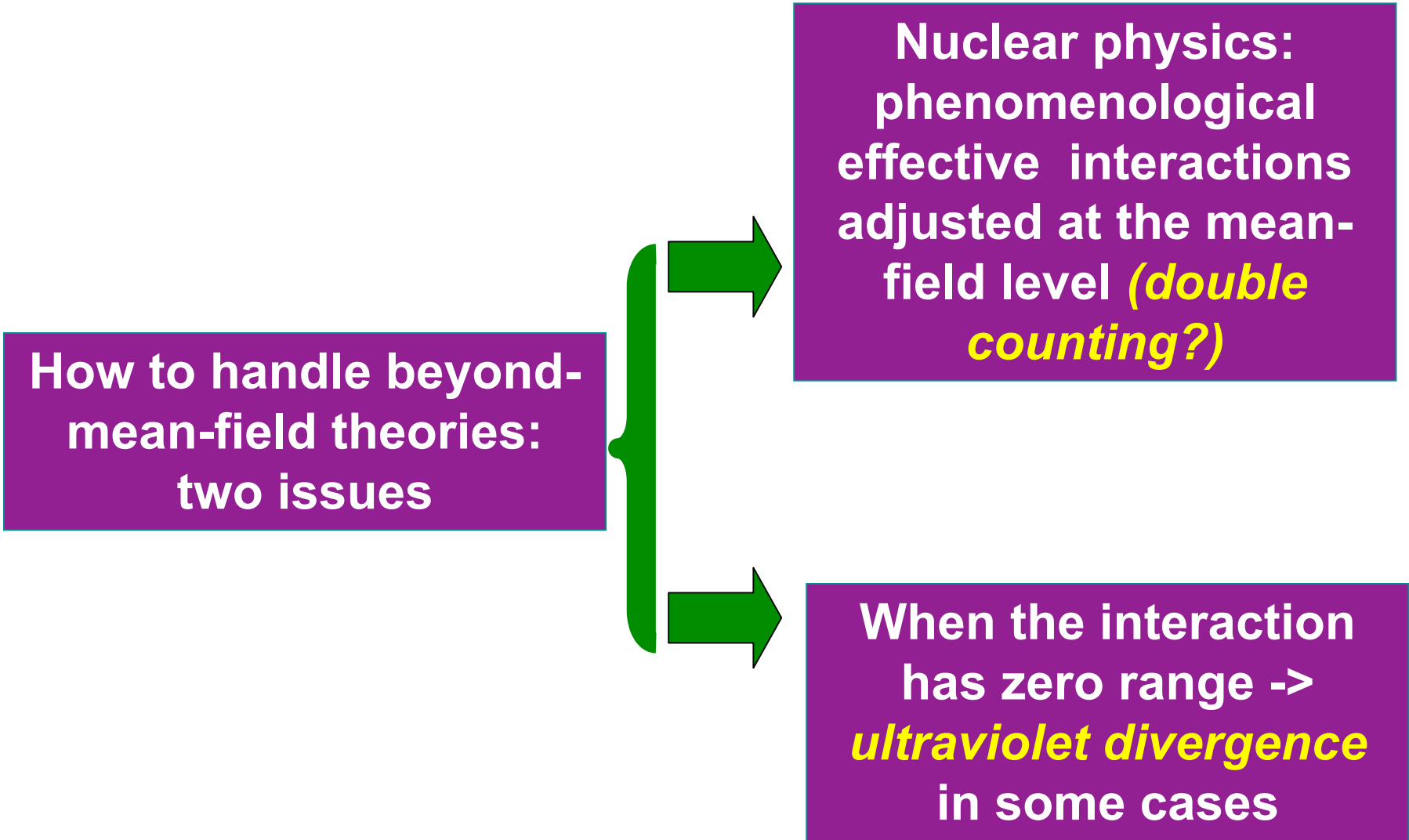
- Mean field for ground-state nuclear structure (HF, HFB,..)
- RPA and QRPA for small-amplitude oscillations
- Beyond small-amplitude oscillations: time-dependent mean field for dynamics (TDHF, TDHFB,...)
- Beyond-mean-field models (correlations).
  - Describing complex phenomena
  - Improving the predictive power

## Beyond-mean-field models. Some examples

- **Single-particle and collective degrees of freedom are coupled** (generator-coordinate method, particle-vibration coupling,...)
- **Single-particle and multi-particle degrees of freedom are coupled** (variational multiparticle-multihole configuration mixing, second RPA,...)
- **Correlations are explicitly included in the ground state** (extensions of RPA and SRPA, generator-coordinate method, variational multiparticle-multihole configuration mixing,...)



How to handle beyond-mean-field theories:  
two issues



Nuclear physics:  
phenomenological  
effective interactions  
adjusted at the mean-  
field level (*double  
counting?*)

When the interaction  
has zero range ->  
*ultraviolet divergence*  
in some cases

# Some examples:

- *Pairing with a zero-range interaction (within the mean-field approximation)*
- *Models with particle-vibration coupling (see talk of Marco Brenna)*
- *Second RPA (see talk of Danilo Gambacurta)*

# Some solutions:

- **Pairing with a zero-range interaction  
(within the mean-field approximation)**

**Add and subtract a quantity easy to handle which has the same divergent behavior as the divergent quantity of the theory. Pseudopotential method to extract the regulated part.**

- **Bruun, Castin, Dum, Burnett, Eur. Phys. J. D 7, 433 (1999)**
- **Grasso, Urban, PRA 68, 033610 (2003)**
- **Bulgac, Yu, PRL 88, 042504 (2002)**



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$$\Delta(\mathbf{R}) = -g \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left[ r \left\langle \Psi_{\uparrow} \left( \mathbf{R} + \frac{\mathbf{r}}{2} \right) \Psi_{\downarrow} \left( \mathbf{R} - \frac{\mathbf{r}}{2} \right) \right\rangle \right].$$

$g$  is the coupling constant of the delta interaction.

Pseudopotential prescription (for a quantity that diverges as  $1/r$  for  $r \rightarrow 0$ )

The anomalous density diverges with a zero-range pairing interaction

Grasso, Urban, PRA 68, 033610 (2003)

$$\Delta(\mathbf{R}) = -g \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left[ r \left\langle \Psi_{\uparrow} \left( \mathbf{R} + \frac{\mathbf{r}}{2} \right) \Psi_{\downarrow} \left( \mathbf{R} - \frac{\mathbf{r}}{2} \right) \right\rangle \right]. \quad (8)$$

$g$  is the coupling constant of the delta interaction.

In practice, Eq. (8) is evaluated as follows: It is possible to show that the expectation value  $\langle \Psi_{\uparrow}(\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r}/2) \Psi_{\downarrow}(\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{r}/2) \rangle$  diverges as  $\Delta/(4\pi r)$  when  $r \rightarrow 0$  if a zero-range interaction is used. Now one adds and subtracts from this expectation value the quantity  $\frac{1}{2} \Delta(\mathbf{R}) G_{\mu}^0(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{r})$ , where  $G_{\mu}^0$  is Green's function associated to the single-particle Hamiltonian  $H_0$ ,

$$G_{\mu}^0(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{r}) = \sum_{\alpha} \frac{\phi_{\alpha}^0 \left( \mathbf{R} + \frac{\mathbf{r}}{2} \right) \phi_{\alpha}^{0*} \left( \mathbf{R} - \frac{\mathbf{r}}{2} \right)}{\epsilon_{\alpha}^0 - \mu},$$

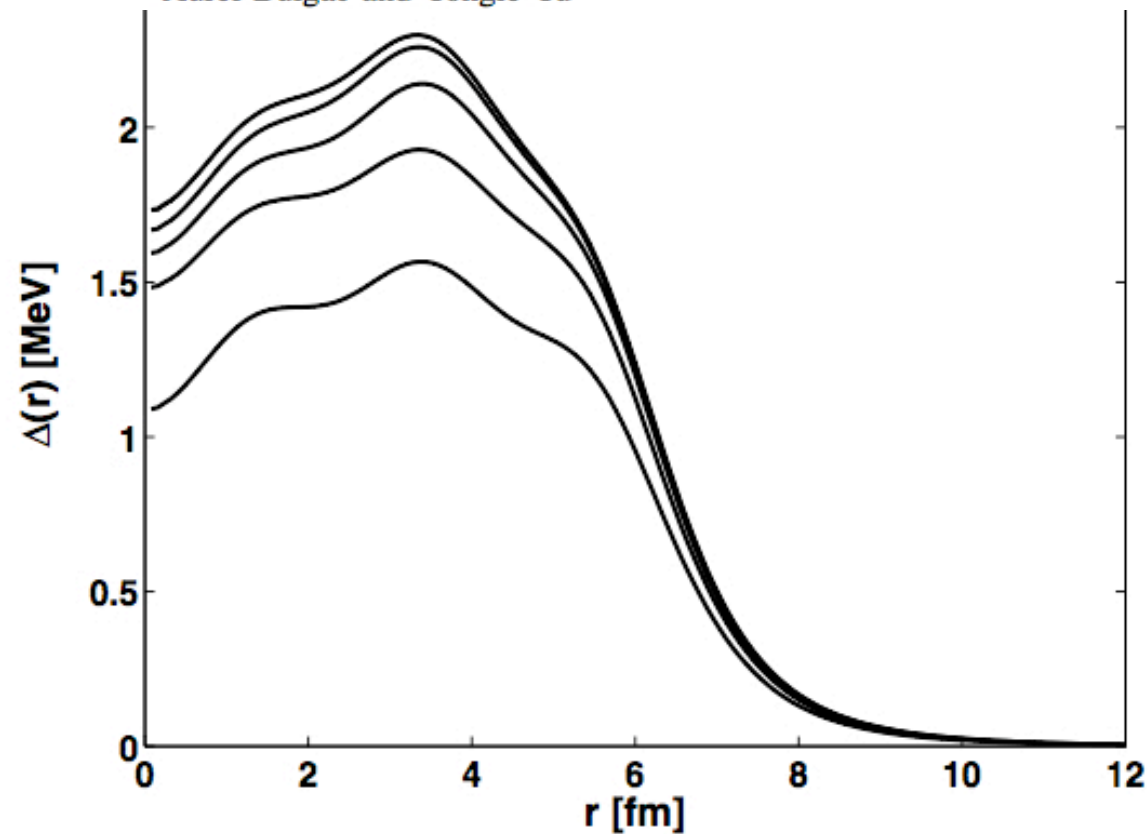
Diverges as  $1/(2\pi r)$  when  $r \rightarrow 0$

where  $\phi_{\alpha}^0$  denotes the eigenfunction of  $H_0$  with eigenvalue  $\epsilon_{\alpha}^0 - \mu$ .

## Renormalization of the Hartree-Fock-Bogoliubov Equations in the Case of a Zero Range Pairing Interaction

Aurel Bulgac and Yongle Yu

**HFB calculation done with a Woods-Saxon potential with fixed parameters corresponding to the nucleus  $^{110}\text{Sn}$  and with a zero-range pairing force**



The neutron pairing field (17) as a function of the radial coordinate and the cutoff energy  $E_c$ . Upward various curves correspond to  $E_c = 20, 30, 35, 40, 45$ , and  $50$  MeV, respectively. On the scale of the figure the last two curves are indistinguishable.

**Beyond mean-field theories  
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interactions. How to handle  
the **ultraviolet divergence at  
second order ?****

## Beyond Mean-Field Theories with Zero-Range Effective Interactions: A Way to Handle the Ultraviolet Divergence

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Zero-range effective interactions are commonly used in nuclear physics and in other domains to describe many-body systems within the mean-field model. If they are used within a beyond-mean-field framework, contributions to the total energy that display an ultraviolet divergence are found. We propose a general strategy to regularize this divergence and we illustrate it in the case of the second-order corrections to the equation of state (EOS) of uniform symmetric matter. By setting a momentum cutoff  $\Lambda$ , we show that for every (physically meaningful) value of  $\Lambda$  it is possible to determine a new interaction such that the EOS with the second-order corrections reproduces the empirical EOS, with a fit of the same quality as that obtained at the mean-field level.

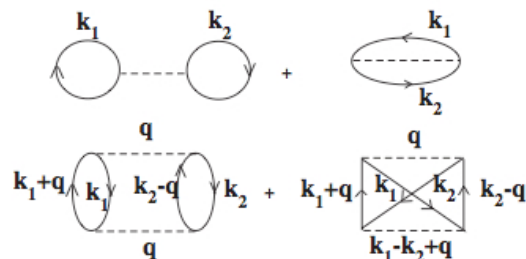


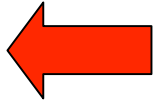
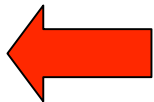
FIG. 1. First- and second-order diagrams for the total energy in uniform matter. Labels refer to momentum states.

### ... with a momentum cutoff

In the case of effective interactions between point-nucleons, the cutoff  $\Lambda$  must certainly be smaller than the momentum associated with the nucleon size, i.e., smaller than  $\approx 2 \text{ fm}^{-1}$ . In fact, these interactions are used to describe giant resonances or rotational bands of nuclei and consequently the scale should be even smaller, perhaps around  $0.5 \text{ fm}^{-1}$ . However, our procedure is tailored on the

# Skyrme interaction

$$V(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) =$$

$t_0 (1 + x_0 P_\sigma) \delta(\mathbf{r})$	terme central	
$+\frac{1}{2} t_1 (1 + x_1 P_\sigma) [\mathbf{P}'^2 \delta(\mathbf{r}) + \delta(\mathbf{r}) \mathbf{P}^2] + t_2 (1 + x_2 P_\sigma) \mathbf{P}' \cdot \delta(\mathbf{r}) \mathbf{P}$	termes non-locaux	
$+\frac{1}{6} t_3 (1 + x_3 P_\sigma) [\rho(\mathbf{R})]^\alpha \delta(\mathbf{r})$	terme dépendant de la densité	
$+iW_0 \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot [\mathbf{P}' \times \delta(\mathbf{r}) \mathbf{P}]$	terme spin-orbite	

Let us write the zero-range force as

$$V(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) = g\delta(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2).$$



To make contact with the Skyrme interactions [1] the strength  $g$  is written as  $t_0 + \frac{1}{6}t_3\rho^\alpha$  and this corresponds to the so-called  $(t_0, t_3)$  model

**Symmetric  
nuclear  
matter;  $t_0$ - $t_3$   
model**

**Mean field**

$$\frac{E}{A}(\rho) = \frac{3\hbar^2}{10m} \left( \frac{3\pi^2}{2} \rho \right)^{2/3} + \frac{3}{8}t_0\rho + \frac{1}{16}t_3\rho^{\alpha+1}.$$

**Second-  
order  
correction**

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta E &= d \frac{\Omega^3}{(2\pi)^9} \int_{k_1, k_2 < k_F, |\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{q}|, |\mathbf{k}_2 - \mathbf{q}| > k_F} \\ &\quad \times d^3k_1 d^3k_2 d^3q \frac{v^2}{\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_1} + \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_2} - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{q}} - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_2 - \mathbf{q}}} \\ &\equiv C \int dq v^2 G(q), \end{aligned}$$

$d=(n^2-n)/2$ ,  $n$  being the level of degeneracy (4 for symmetric nuclear matter)

# Corrected equation of state. Linear divergence in the momentum cutoff

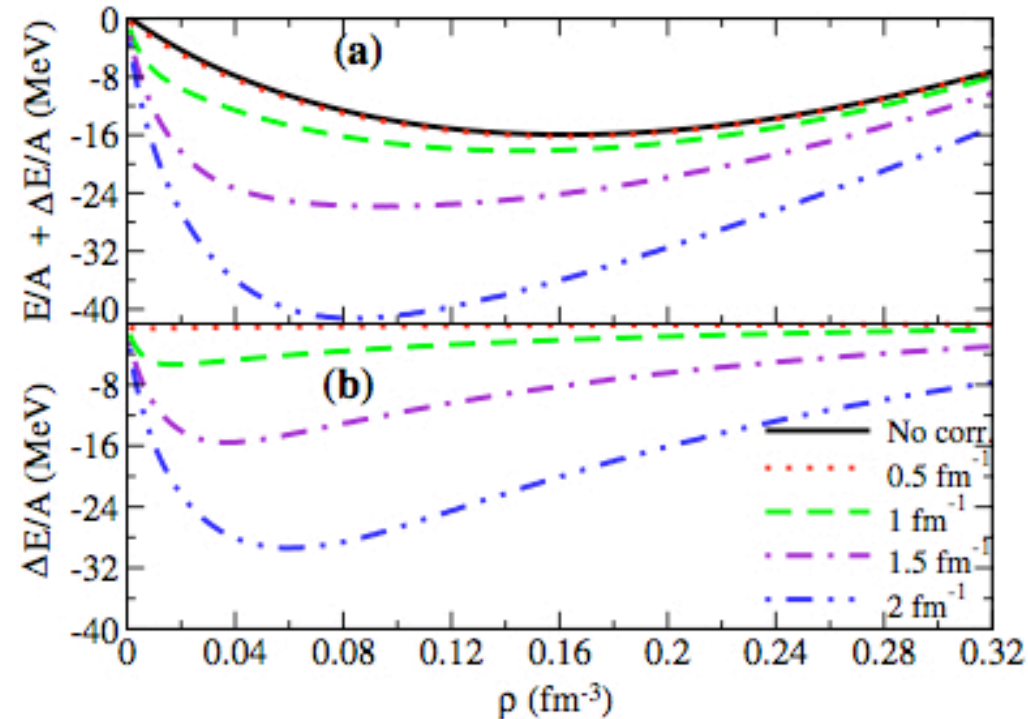


FIG. 2 (color online). (a)  $E/A + \Delta E/A$  as a function of the density and for different values of the cutoff  $\Lambda$ . The SkP mean-field EOS (solid black line) is shown for comparison. (b) Correction  $\Delta E/A$  for different values of  $\Lambda$ .

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# Equation of state after the fit

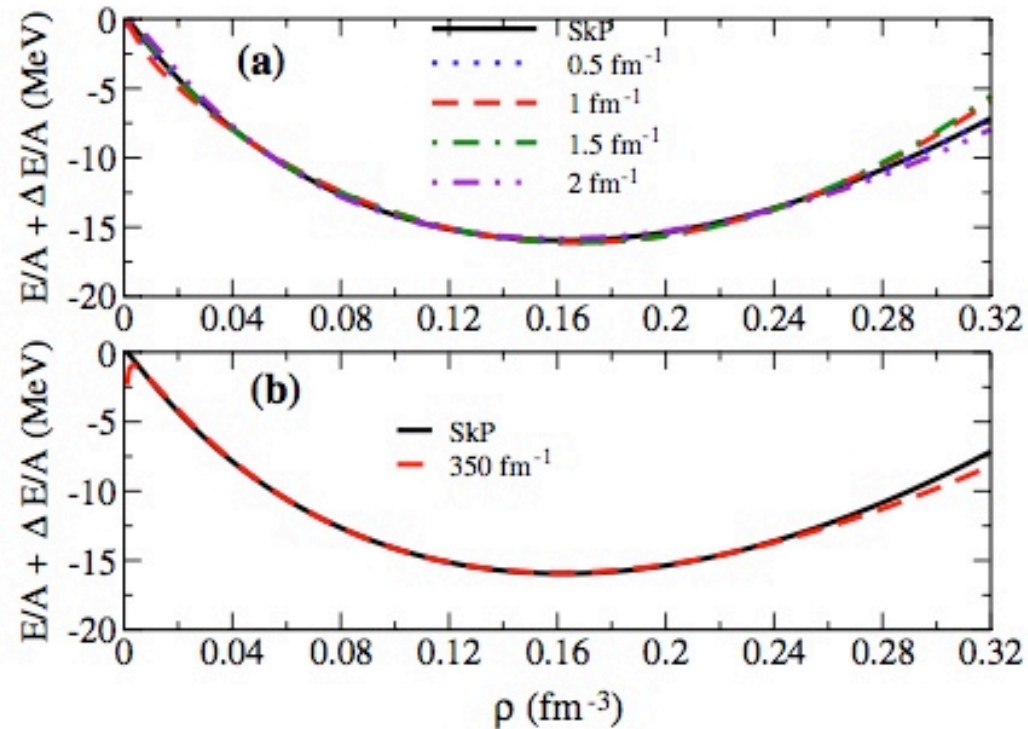


FIG. 4 (color online). (a) Second-order-corrected equations of state compared with the reference equation of state (SkP at mean-field level). (b) Extreme case of  $\Lambda = 350 \text{ fm}^{-1}$ .

# New parameters for each cutoff

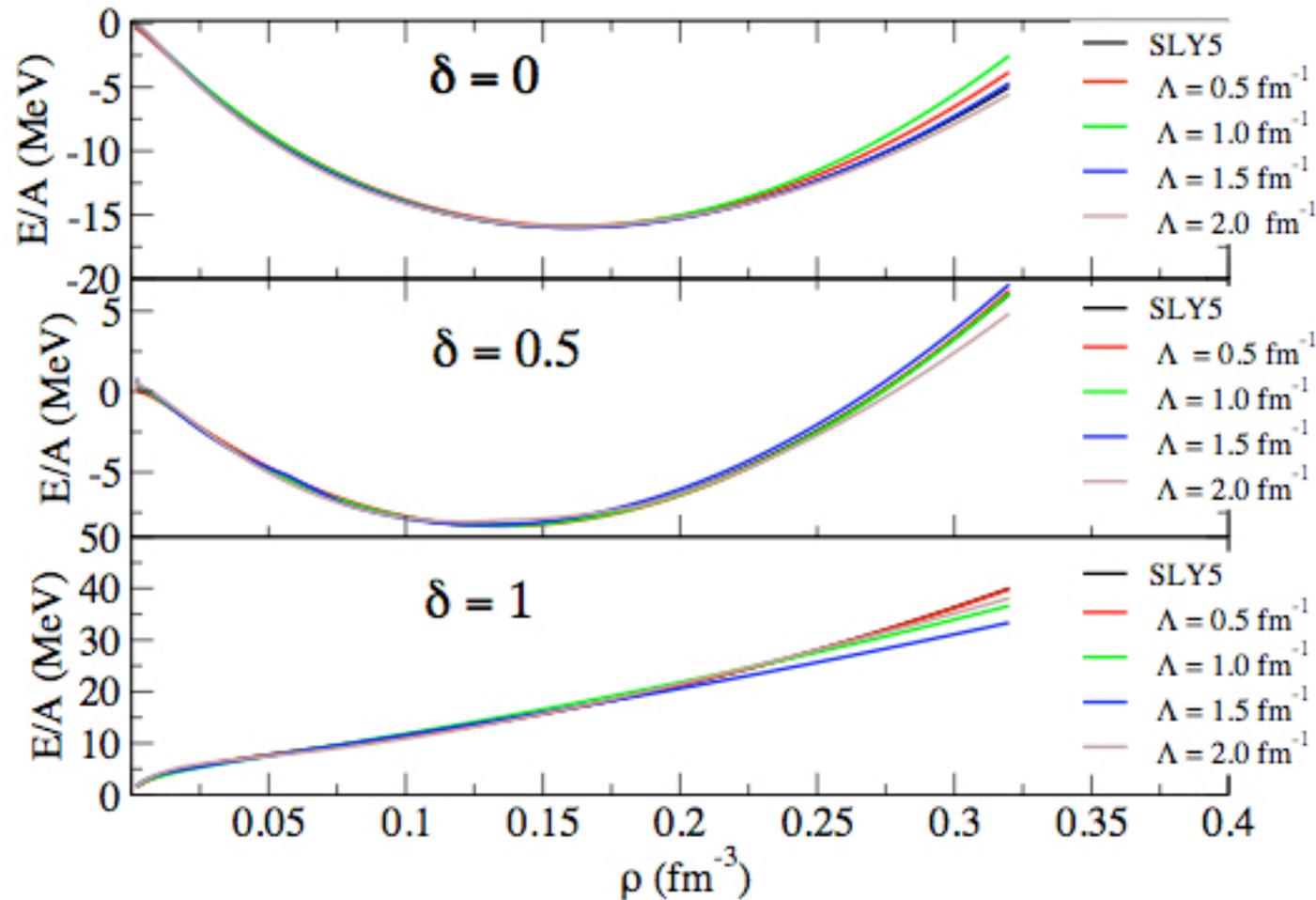
TABLE I. From the second line, columns 2, 3, and 4: parameter sets obtained in the fits associated with different values of the cutoff  $\Lambda$  compared with the original set SkP (first line). In the fifth column the  $\chi^2/N$  value ( $\chi^2$  divided by the number of fitted points) associated to each fit is shown. In columns 6 and 7 the saturation point is shown.

	$t_0$ (MeV fm <sup>3</sup> )	$t_3$ (MeV fm <sup>3+3<math>\alpha</math>)</sup>	$\alpha$	$\chi^2/N$	$\rho_0$ (fm <sup>-3</sup> )	$E/A(\rho_0)$ (MeV)
SkP	-2931.70	18 708.97	1/6		0.16	-15.95
$\Lambda = 0.5$ fm <sup>-1</sup>	-2352.900	15 379.861	0.217	0.000 04	0.16	-15.96
$\Lambda = 1$ fm <sup>-1</sup>	-1155.580	9435.246	0.572	0.001 42	0.17	-16.11
$\Lambda = 1.5$ fm <sup>-1</sup>	-754.131	8278.251	1.011	0.001 06	0.17	-16.09
$\Lambda = 2$ fm <sup>-1</sup>	-632.653	5324.848	0.886	0.001 92	0.16	-15.82
$\Lambda = 350$ fm <sup>-1</sup>	-64.904	360.039	0.425	0.000 42	0.16	-15.88

## **Extended case. The full Skyrme interaction and both symmetric and asymmetric matter**

- \* Analytical study: the divergence is now  $\Lambda^5$  due to the velocity-dependent terms of the interaction**
- \* Cutoff regularization for both symmetric and asymmetric matter**
- \* Adjustment of parameters (reference EOS: Sly5)**

# Three equations of state

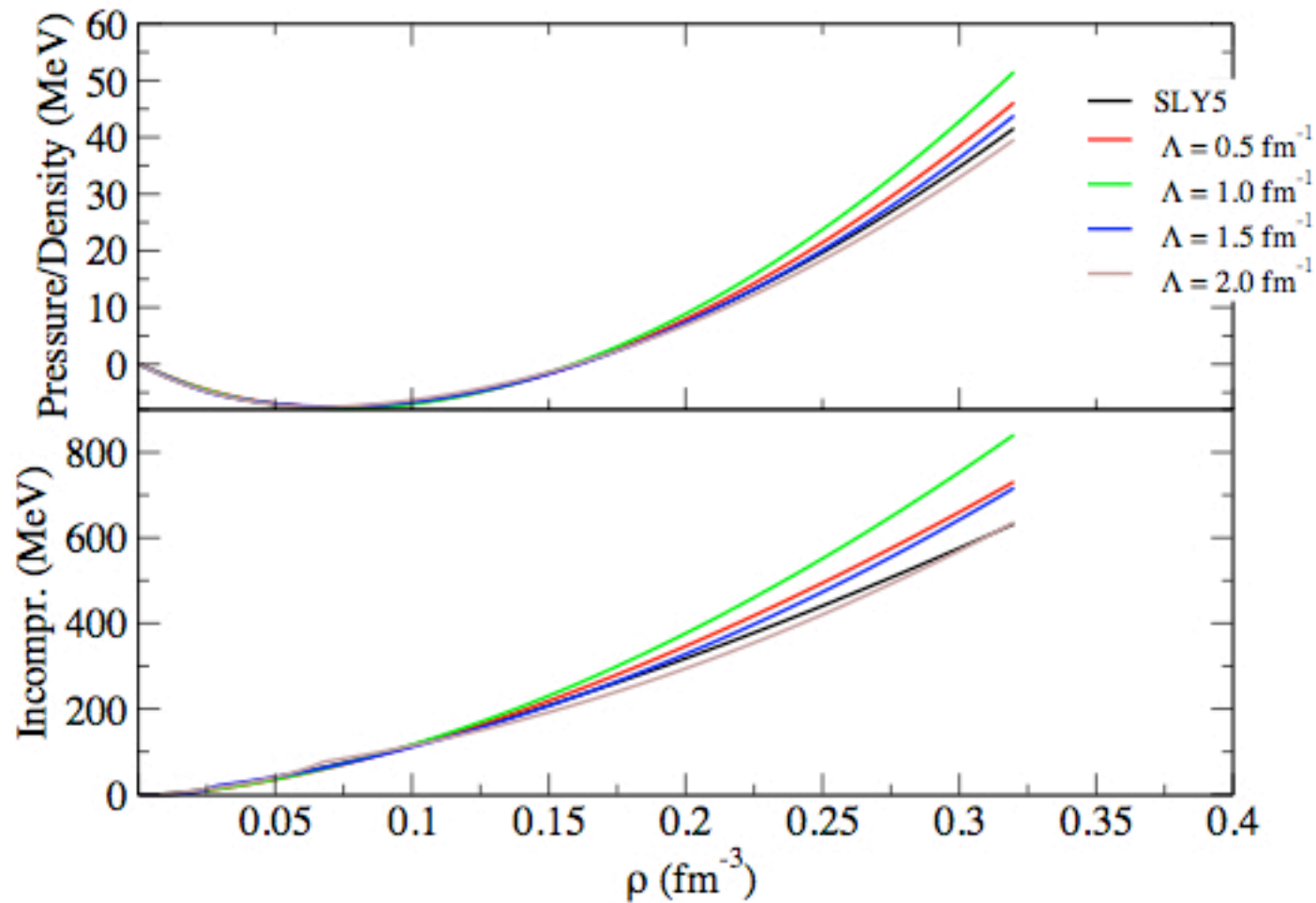


**Symmetric  
matter**

**Asymmetric  
matter**

**Neutron  
matter**

# Pressure/density and incompressibility



## Sets of parameters for each cutoff

	$t_0$	$t_1$	$t_2$	$t_3$	$x_0$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$\alpha$
SLy5	-2484.88	483.13	-549.40	13736.0	0.778	-0.328	-1.0	1.267	0.16667
$\Lambda(\text{fm}^{-1})$									
0.5	-2782.829	473.127	269.686	13322.999	0.897	-0.327	-1.005	1.379	0.0989
1.0	-2554.419	758.941	248.433	9331.697	0.852	0.811	-0.900	0.971	0.0111
1.5	-779.936	1127.769	-941.203	4428.398	1.135	0.119	-0.568	-0.403	0.813
2.0	-585.187	579.808	-596.216	4903.544	0.973	-0.323	-0.662	1.780	0.9002

# Perspectives

- **Other renormalization procedures (dimensional renormalization -> unique set of parameters)**
- **Applications to finite nuclei**
- **Particle-vibration coupling models (formal and numerical work)**
- **... other beyond-mean-field theories?**