Low energy Nuclear Physics: Integral relations

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Integral relations for the phase-shift

Let us recall the asymptotic behavior of the wave function. For simplicity we consider $\ell = 0$, uncoupled channels, and not consider spin,sisopin degrees of freedom.

$$\Psi(r) = \frac{u(r)}{r} \frac{1}{4\pi} \longrightarrow \sqrt{\frac{k}{4\pi}} \Big[A \frac{\sin kr}{kr} + B \frac{\cos kr}{kr} \Big] = AF + BG$$

where we have defined

$$\begin{cases} F = \sqrt{\frac{k}{4\pi}} \frac{\sin kr}{kr} \\ G = \sqrt{\frac{k}{4\pi}} \frac{\cos kr}{kr} \end{cases}$$

The asymptotic solutions verify the Wronskian

$$W(F,G) = \frac{m}{\hbar^2} [\langle F|H - E|G \rangle - \langle G|H - E|F \rangle] = 1$$

Demonstration

Explicitely the relation is

$$\frac{m}{\hbar^2} \left[\int F[-\frac{\hbar^2}{m} \nabla^2 + V - E] G d\vec{r} - \int G[-\frac{\hbar^2}{m} \nabla^2 + V - E] F d\vec{r} \right]$$

the terms in the potential V cancel and remains

$$-\int F[\nabla^2+k^2]G\,d\vec{r}+\int G[\nabla^2+k^2]F\,d\vec{r}$$

F is the regular solution of $(\nabla^2 + k^2)F = 0$. Instead for the irregular term $(\nabla^2 + k^2)G = -4\pi\delta(\vec{r})/\sqrt{4\pi k}$. Therefore the second term is zero and the first term reduced to

$$W(F,G) = 4\pi \frac{F(0)}{\sqrt{4\pi k}} = 1$$

Integral relations for the phase-shift

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$$B = W(F, \Psi) = \frac{m}{\hbar^2} \left[\langle F|H - E|\Psi \rangle - \langle \Psi|H - E|F \rangle \right]$$
$$A = W(\Psi, G) = \frac{m}{\hbar^2} \left[\langle \Psi|H - E|G \rangle - \langle G|H - E|\Psi \rangle \right]$$

Here I am using the Green's Theorem

$$\int_{V} (\Psi \nabla^{2} \Phi - \Phi \nabla^{2} \Psi) dV = \int_{S} (\Psi \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial n} - \Phi \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial n}) dS$$

The derivative terms in the surface integral form the Wronskian

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However, since the wave function verifies $(H - E)\Psi = 0$ we have

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and

$$\tan \delta = \frac{B}{A}$$

To be noticed that the integrals are short-range: the phase-shift is determined by the short-range part of the wave function!

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Short-range character

Explicitly the integrals are

$$\begin{cases} B = -\frac{m}{k\hbar^2} \int_0^\infty \sin kr V(r) u(r) dr \\ A = \frac{m}{k\hbar^2} \int_0^\infty \cos kr V(r) u(r) dr + \frac{1}{k} \frac{u(r)}{r}|_{r=0} \end{cases}$$

It is possible to introduced a regularized function $\widetilde{G} = f_{\gamma}G$, with

$$\widetilde{G} \xrightarrow{r \to 0}$$
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For example: $\widetilde{G} = (1 - e^{-\gamma r})G$, which is regular at the origin. And the las integarls is now

$$A = \frac{m}{k\hbar^2} \int_0^\infty \cos kr V(r) u(r) dr + I_\gamma$$

with I_{γ} a short-range integral

Short-range character

 I_{γ} contains all terms depending on γ , introduced by the factor $(1 - e^{-\gamma r})$:

$$I_{\gamma} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} \int_0^\infty dr \left(\frac{m}{\hbar^2} V(r) \cos kr - \gamma^2 \cos kr - 2\gamma k \sin kr\right) e^{-\gamma r} u(r)$$

- Remarkably it does not depend on γ
- We identify $I_{\gamma} = \frac{1}{k} \frac{u(r)}{r}|_{r=0}$.
- This equality can be verified with the same relative accuracy obtained for tan δ provided that the regularization of G is done inside the interaction region.

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• the following integral relations are verified

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Variational character

To be noticed that the phase-shift

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is independent of the regularization factor if $(H - E)\Psi = 0$. Moreover, since (H - E)F and $(H - E)G \rightarrow 0$ as $r \rightarrow \infty$. It is sufficient that $(H - E)\Psi = 0$ only inside the interaction region. This gives a variational character to the integral relations.

$$\begin{cases} B = -\frac{m}{\hbar^2} < \Psi_t | H - E | F > \\ A = \frac{m}{\hbar^2} < \Psi_t | H - E | G > \end{cases}$$

For example we can choose $\Psi_t \rightarrow 0$ as $r \rightarrow \infty$, a square integrable function.

Variational Bounds (2) - continuation

The Rayleight-Ritz Variational Principle

$$E = rac{\langle \Psi_b | H | \Psi_b \rangle}{\langle \Psi_b | \Psi_b \rangle}$$
 or $\langle \Psi_b | H - E | \Psi_b \rangle = 0$

the Kohn Variational Principle (for a single channel)

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using the Wronskian

< F|H - E|G > - < G|H - E|F > = 1 $< \Psi_s|H - E|G > - < G|H - E|\Psi_s > = A = < \Psi_s|H - E|G >$ $< F|H - E|\Psi_s > - < \Psi_s|H - E|F > = B^{1st}$
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multiplying by A the equation for $[\tan \delta]^{2nd}$

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The Integral Relations for coupled channels

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Properties

- The integral relations have a variational character
- Direct applications of the KVP are made with A = 1
- However there are cases in which the explicit asymptotic behavior of Ψ_s in term of the coefficients A and B is not known
- The integrals converge even if $(H E)\Psi_s \neq 0$ asymptotically
- If (H − E)Ψ_s = 0 in the interaction region, the result for [tan δ]^{2nd} is exact, even if the asymptotic behavior of Ψ_s is not the physical one

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Application for a central potential

Let us consider $\ell = 0$ and expand Ψ_t in a complete basis

$$\Psi_t(\vec{r}) = \frac{u(r)}{r} \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \sum_m a_m \mathcal{L}_m^{(2)}(\beta r) e^{-\beta r/2}$$

with $\mathcal{L}_m^{(2)}(z)$ a Laguerre polynomial verifying

$$\int_0^\infty \mathcal{L}_m^{(2)}(z) \mathcal{L}_{m'}^{(2)}(z) e^{-z} r^2 dr = \delta_{mm'}$$

We transform the Hamiltonian in a matrix

$$H_{mm'} = \int_0^\infty \mathcal{L}_m^{(2)}(z) e^{-z/2} \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{m} (\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r}) + V \right] \mathcal{L}_{m'}^{(2)}(z) e^{-z/2} r^2 dr$$

where $z = \beta r$ and β a nonlinear parameter

Variational bounds

The Rayleigh-Ritz principle establishes that the lowest eigenvalue of the hamiltonian matrix verifies

$$E_0^M \ge E_0, \quad ext{and} \quad E_0^M \stackrel{M \to \infty}{\longrightarrow} E_0$$

where M is the dimension of the bais and E_0 is the exact value of the ground state. Moreover the MacDonald-Hylleraas-Undheim theorem establishes that the same type of convergence results for the N lowest eigenvalues of the hamiltonian matrix

$$E_j^M \ge E_j, \text{ and } E_j^M \stackrel{M \to \infty}{\longrightarrow} E_j$$

with E_j the exact excited state energy of the system. In the case of positive energies, the spectrum represents a discretization of the continumm. In all cases the eigenvector

$$\Psi_j = \sum_m a_m^j \mathcal{L}_m^{(2)}(\beta r) e^{-\beta r/2}$$

is a representation of the wave function of the corresponding level

Example: Gaussian potential

$$V(r) = V_0 e^{-r^2/r_0^2}$$

with $V_0 = -60.575$ MeV and $r_0 = 1.65$ fm This potential has one bound state $E_0 = -2.2255$ MeV and the low energy parameters are: a = 5.480 fm and $r_{eff} = 1.846$ fm very close to the experimental values. This potential is a low energy representation of the NN interaction ($\ell = 0, s = 1, t = 0$)



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Ground state convergence



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Positive energy discretization



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Phases with the Integral Relation

Now we calculate the phases using the positive energy eigenvectors

$$\Psi_j^M = \sum_{m=0}^M a_m^j \mathcal{L}_m^{(2)}(\beta r) e^{-\beta r/2}$$

For each positive energy, the integral relations are:

$$\begin{cases} B_j^M = -\frac{m}{\hbar^2} < \Psi_j^M |H - E_j|F > \\ A_j^M = \frac{m}{\hbar^2} < \Psi_j^M |H - E_j|G > \\ [\tan \delta_j^M]^{2nd} = \frac{B_j^M}{A_j^M} \end{cases}$$

where we give explicitly the second order character of the estimate and the dependence with the dimension of the basis M.

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Convergence of the phases

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E ₀	-2.225322	-2.225505	-2.225506	-2.225506
E ₁	0.536349	0.116356	0.048091	0.026008
$[\tan \delta_1]^{2^{nd}}$	-1.507280	-0.622242	-0.392005	-0.286479
$\tan \delta_1$	-1.522377	-0.621938	-0.392021	-0.286480
E ₂	1.984580	0.449655	0.190019	0.103503
$[\tan \delta_2]^{2^{nd}}$	-5.919685	-1.353736	-0.812313	-0.584389
$\tan \delta_2$	-5.703495	-1.354691	-0.812270	-0.584388
E ₃	4.512635	0.994433	0.423117	0.231645
$[\tan \delta_3]^{2^{nd}}$	13.998124	-2.451174	-1.302799	-0.908128
$\tan \delta_3$	12.684474	-2.448343	-1.302887	-0.908131

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Convergence of the phases



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The positive energy wave function



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Last example: *pp* scattering using free waves Let us take de following interaction:

$$V(r) = V_{short} + rac{e^2}{r}$$

We now that for positive energies the wave function

$$\Psi(r
ightarrow \infty) \longrightarrow AF_c + BG_c$$

wirh F_c , G_c Coulomb functions. Let us define the following screened potential

$$V_{sc}(r) = V_{short} + [e^{-(r/r_{sc})^n}] rac{e^2}{r}$$

which, for specific values of r_{sc} and n tends to the original potential. Conversely, solving with the screened potential, the wave function behaves

$$\Psi_{n,r_{sc}}(r o \infty) \longrightarrow AF + BG$$

with now F, G Bessel functions

The screened potential



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pp scattering using free waves

The screened potential $V_{sc}(r < r_{sc}) = V(r)$ and therefore, the wave function $\Psi_{n,r_{sc}}$ verifies

$$(T + V - E)\Psi_{n,r_{sc}} = 0$$

inside the interaction region ($r < r_{sc}$). And we can applied the integral relations:

i) $\Psi_{n,r_{sc}}$ is obtained using the screened potential:

$$(T+V_{sc}-E)\Psi_{n,r_{sc}}=0$$

ii) The integral relations are used with the original V and the Coulomb functions

$$\begin{cases} B = -\frac{m}{\hbar^2} < \Psi_{n,r_{sc}} | T + V - E | F_c > \\ A = \frac{m}{\hbar^2} < \Psi_{n,r_{sc}} | T + V - E | G_c > \\ [\tan \delta_c]^{2nd} = \frac{B}{A} \end{cases}$$

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Solving the Schrödinger equation

Exercise 1: s-wave solutions

In the following we will use the central, two-parameter potential:

$$V(r) = \begin{cases} -V_0 & r \le r_0 \\ 0 & r > r_0 \end{cases}$$

The Schrödinger equation is

$$(H-E)\Psi=0$$

For *s*-waves we use

$$\Psi = \frac{u(r)}{r} Y_{00}(\hat{r})$$

and the Schrödinger equation results

$$\left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{m}\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2}+V(r)-E\right)u(r)=0$$

Solving the Schrödinger equation

A) Bound state solutions: E < 0The Schrödinger equation

$$\left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{m}\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2}+V(r)-E\right)u(r)=0$$

is now

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} - \frac{mV(r)}{\hbar^2} - \kappa^2\right)u(r) = 0$$

To be solved after applying the boundary conditions:

$$\begin{cases} u(0) = 0 \\ u(r) = Be^{-\kappa r} \quad r > r_N \end{cases}$$

In addition the normalization condition

$$\int_0^\infty u^2(r)\,dr=1$$

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We proceed in the case of the two-parameter potential

$$V(r) = \begin{cases} -V_0 & r \le r_0 \\ 0 & r > r_0 \end{cases}$$

The range of the force is $r_N = r_0$, and we distinguish two regions:

$$r < r_0 \rightarrow \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{mV_0}{\hbar^2} - \kappa^2\right) u(r) = 0$$

then
$$u(r) = A \sin k_0 r$$

with $k_0^2 = \frac{mV_0}{\hbar^2} - \kappa^2$. And
 $r > r_0 \rightarrow \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} - \kappa^2\right) u(r) = 0$

with $u(r) = Be^{-\kappa r}$.

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Matching conditions

The wave function Ψ and its derivative have to be continous. Therefore they have to be matched at $r = r_0$. These conditions can be applyied to the reduced wave function.

$$\begin{cases} A \sin k_0 r_0 = B e^{-\kappa r_0} \\ A k_0 \cos k_0 r_0 = -B \kappa e^{-\kappa r_0} \end{cases}$$

The first equation gives a relation between the two constants *A* and *B*. The ratio of the two equations can be used to find the condition for κ :

	$\tan k_0 r_0$	1
	$r_0 k_0$	$=-\frac{1}{r_0\kappa}$
calling $x = r_0 k_0$ the trase	endental eq	uation is
	tan x _	1
		$\overline{r_0\kappa}$
It can be solved numeric	ally, graphica	ally, etc.

Graphical solution



Looking to the first sector $[x_0^{(0)}]^2 = r_0^2 m V_0 / \hbar^2 - r_0^2 \kappa^2$

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$$rac{\hbar^2}{m}\kappa^2 = E_d = V_0 - rac{\hbar^2}{mr_0^2}[x_0^{(0)}]^2$$

This equation gives a relation between the binding energy E_d and the two parameters of the potential, V_0 and r_0 . In order to fix completely the potential other observable has to be consider.

Let us return to the wave function: $u(r) = Be^{-\kappa r_0} \sin k_0 r / \sin k_0 r_0$ for $r < r_0$ $u(r) = Be^{-\kappa r}$ for $r > r_0$. The constant *B* is determined from normalization

$$e^{-2\kappa r_0} \int_0^{r_0} \frac{\sin^2 k_0 r}{\sin^2 k_0 r_0} dr + \int_{r_0}^{\infty} e^{-2\kappa r} dr = B^{-2}$$

 $B \equiv A_s$ is the normalization constant. For the deuteron its value is $A_s = 0.878 \, \text{fm}^{-1/2}$

Solving the Schrödinger equation

B) Zero-energy solution: E = 0The Schrödinger equation

$$\left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{m}\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2}+V(r)\right)u(r)=0$$

is

$$r < r_0 \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{mV_0}{\hbar^2} \right) u(r) = 0$$
 $r > r_0 \frac{\partial^2 u(r)}{\partial r^2} = 0$

To be solved by applying the proper boundary conditions:

$$\begin{cases} u(0) = 0 \rightarrow u(r) = A \sin k_0 r \quad r < r_0 \\ u(r) = r - a_s \quad r > r_0 \end{cases}$$

With a_S the scattering length and $k_0^2 = mV_0/\hbar^2$. The normalization condition is implicit in the coefficient equal to 1 of the regular solution.

Matching conditions

As before the reduced wave function and its derivative have to be matched at $r = r_0$.

$$\begin{cases} A \sin k_0 r_0 = r_0 - a_S \\ A k_0 \cos k_0 r_0 = 1 \end{cases}$$

From where the scattering length can be obtained

$$a_{\mathcal{S}}=r_0\left[1-\frac{\tan k_0r_0}{k_0r_0}\right]$$

The wave function is $u(r) = \sin k_0 r / [k_0 \cos k_0 r_0]$ for $r < r_0$ and the effective range r_{eff} is

$$r_{\rm eff} = \frac{2}{a_S^2} \int_0^{r_0} [u^2(r) - (r - a_S)^2] dr = r_0 \left[1 - \frac{r_0^2}{3a_S^2} - \frac{1}{k_0^2 a_S r_0} \right]$$

Close to threshold

For specific values of V_0 and r_0 the scattering length $a_S \to \pm \infty$. This happens when $k_0 r_0 = \sqrt{r_0^2 m V_0 / \hbar^2} \to \pi/2$. In this region the bound or virtual state energy E_d , $E_v \to 0$. In fact, for bound state

$$\frac{\tan x}{x} = -\frac{1}{r_0 \kappa}$$

with $x = r_0 k_0$ and $k_0^2 = \frac{mV_0}{\hbar^2} - \kappa^2$. Therefore when $\kappa \to 0$ the same condition results for $\frac{mV_0}{\hbar^2}$.

Moreover close to threshold we have demonstrated that

$$\kappa = \frac{1}{a_S} + \frac{r_{\rm eff}}{2} \frac{1}{\kappa^2}$$

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Results

Some numerical results for the spin S = 1, T = 0 channel

V_0	<i>r</i> ₀	E_d	a ₁	$r_{\rm eff}^{(1)}$	A_S
MeV	fm	MeV	fm	fm	$fm^{-1/2}$
-30.58	2.23	2.225	5.479	1.859	0.892
-33.73	2.10	2.224	5.410	1.767	0.877
-33.47	2.11	2.224	5.416	1.774	0.878
Exp.		2.224	5.419(7)	1.753(8)	0.878(1)

Some numerical results for the spin S = 0, T = 1 channel

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V_0	r_0	a_0	$r_{off}^{(0)}$	V_0	r_0	a_0	$r_{off}^{(0)}$
MeV	fm	fm	fm	MeV	fm	fm	fm
-13.90	2.60	-23.74	2.72	-13.29	2.63	-18.90	2.78
-13.36	2.65	-23.74	2.77	-13.62	2.60	-18.90	2.75
Exp.		-23.74(2)	2.77(5)			-18.90(2)	2.75(1)
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Zero-energy wave function



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Solving the Schrödinger equation

C) positive-energy solutions: E > 0The Schrödinger equation

$$\left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{m}\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2}+V(r)-E\right)u(r)=0$$

is in this case

$$r < r_0 \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{mV_0}{\hbar^2} + k^2\right)u(r) = 0 \qquad r > r_0 \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + k^2\right)u(r) = 0$$

To be solved by applying the proper boundary conditions:

$$\begin{cases} u(0) = 0 \rightarrow u(r) = A \sin q_0 r \quad r > r_0 \\ u(r) = \sin kr + \tan \delta_S \cos kr \quad r > r_0 \end{cases}$$

With δ_{S} the phase-shift and $q_{0}^{2} = mV_{0}/\hbar^{2} + k^{2}$.

Matching conditions

As before the reduced wave function and its derivative have to be matched at $r = r_0$.

$$\begin{cases} A \sin q_0 r_0 = \sin k r_0 + \tan \delta_S \cos k r_0 \\ A q_0 \cos q_0 r_0 = k \cos k r_0 - \tan \delta_S k \sin k r_0 \end{cases}$$

Fixing the energy *E* of the scattering process and using the potential parameters V_0 , r_0 determined from the zero-energy and bound solutions, the following 2 × 2 system of equations is formed

$$\begin{cases} A \sin q_0 r_0 - \tan \delta_S \cos k r_0 = \sin k r_0 \\ A q_0 \cos q_0 r_0 + \tan \delta_S k \sin k r_0 = k \cos k r_0 \end{cases}$$

With $\hbar^2 k^2 / m = E$ and $q_0^2 = m V_0 / \hbar^2 + k^2$.

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Effective function $S_k = k \cot \delta_S$

At low energies $k \cot \delta_{\mathcal{S}} = -\frac{1}{a_{\mathcal{S}}} + \frac{r_{\text{eff}}^{(\mathcal{S})}}{2}k^2 + \dots$

