

About indexes and matrix elements

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Since we have two indexes in our calculations α and n , α being the scattering channel quantum numbers and n being the index n of the modified Laguerre base function $f_n^{(2)}(r)$, we flatten these two indexes into one common index

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INDEX = 0
DO I=1, NEQ
  DO J=1, NNL
    INDEX = INDEX + 1
    COMMON_INDEX(I, J) = INDEX
  ENDDO
ENDDO
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Thus flattening the two indexes into one. From

$$\begin{array}{c|ccc} & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ \hline 1 & (1,1) & (1,2) & (1,3) \\ 2 & (2,1) & (2,2) & (2,3) \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ \hline (1,1) & (1,2) & (1,3) & (2,1) & (2,2) & (2,3) \end{array}.$$

You can see an example for a **core-core matrix** with NEQ=2 and NNL=3 in Tab. 1. The formula for the common index k is

$$k = N_L (i - 1) + j, \quad (1)$$

where $N_L = \text{NNL}$.

In the case of an **asymptotic-core matrix** the core has NEQ×NNL elements while the asymptotic has NEQ elements and therefore we have something similar to Tab. 2. Finally in the case of an **asymptotic-asymptotic matrix** we have only NCH×NCH elements as in Tab. 3

Inverting the indexes

If we know the the value of NNL we can retrieve the channel and the Laguerre n value. Reversing Eq. (1) we get

$$\begin{cases} i &= \left\lfloor \frac{k-1}{N_L} \right\rfloor + 1, \\ j &= [(k-1) \bmod N_L] + 1. \end{cases}$$

(1,1)	(1,2)	(1,3)	(1,4)	(1,5)	(1,6)
(2,1)	(2,2)	(2,3)	(2,4)	(2,5)	(2,6)
(3,1)	(3,2)	(3,3)	(3,4)	(3,5)	(3,6)
(4,1)	(4,2)	(4,3)	(4,4)	(4,5)	(4,6)
(5,1)	(5,2)	(5,3)	(5,4)	(5,5)	(5,6)
(6,1)	(6,2)	(6,3)	(6,4)	(6,5)	(6,6)

Table 1: Example of a block structure of the $(NNL \times NCH) \times (NNL \times NCH)$ matrix for $NCH = 2$, $NNL = 3$. Each entry is of the form (index_{row}, index_{col}). Text color highlights the four 3×3 channel (α, α') blocks: (1,1) in red, (1,2) in blue, (2,1) in green, (2,2) in cyan.

(F1,1)	(F1,2)	(F1,3)	(F1,4)	(F1,5)	(F1,6)
(F2,1)	(F2,2)	(F2,3)	(F2,4)	(F2,5)	(F2,6)

Table 2: Example of a block structure of the $(NCH) \times (NNL \times NCH)$ matrix for $NCH = 2$, $NNL = 3$. Each entry is of the form $(\text{index}_{\text{row}}, \text{index}_{\text{col}})$. Text color highlights the four 3×3 channel (α, α') blocks: (1,1) in red, (1,2) in blue, (2,1) in green, (2,2) in cyan.

(F1,F1)	(F1,F2)
(F2,F1)	(F2,F2)

Table 3: Example of a block structure of the $(NCH) \times (NCH)$ matrix for $NCH = 2$. Each entry is of the form $(\text{index}_{\text{row}}, \text{index}_{\text{col}})$. Text color highlights the four 3×3 channel (α, α') blocks: (1,1) in red, (1,2) in blue, (2,1) in green, (2,2) in cyan.

It is impossible though to do the same knowing only the column number NEQ.

1 Separating the potential integration and reassembling it

Here is a hopefully comprehensive description of the variational method used to fit a potential. Pre-evaluating a grid for all the radial functions of the potential and for all channels and then reassembling it changing the low-energy constants (LECs) of the potential.

The potential is written as

$$\hat{V}(r) = \sum_{o=\{\text{LO}, \text{NLO}, \text{N3LO}\}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_o} C_i^{(o)} \hat{O}_i v_i^{(o)}(r). \quad (2)$$

Where N_o is the number of operators per potential order: 1 for LO, 8 for NLO and 14 for N3LO.

order	terms
LO	c
NLO	c, τ , σ , $\sigma\tau$, t , $t\tau$, b , T
N3LO	c, τ , σ , $\sigma\tau$, t , $t\tau$, b , $b\tau$, bb , q , $q\sigma$, T , σT , tT , bT

Despite this number of operators, the number of radial functions is only 8, I call them $f_i(r)$ with $i = \{0, 7\}$. Here

$$f_0(r) \equiv C_R(r) = \frac{1}{\pi^{3/2} R^3} e^{-r^2/R^2},$$

where $R \equiv R_{ST}$ is the cutoff depending on the spin S and isospin T . The other functions can be written as

$$f_i(r) = g_i(r, R_{ST}) f_0(r),$$

where $g_i(r, R)$ is a polynomial in r and $g_0 = 1$.

A comprehensive connection between the f_i and the $v_i^{(o)}$ as well as the value of each g_i is given in Tab. 4.

1.1 The potential matrix elements

In the program we need matrix elements of the type

$$\langle \psi_\alpha | \hat{V}(r) | \psi_{\alpha'} \rangle,$$

where ψ_α can be a combination of core/asymptotic and regular/irregular. The core functions for a specific channel are expanded as

$$\psi_\alpha^c(r) = \sum_{n=0}^{N_L} \mathcal{L}_n(\gamma r) |\alpha\rangle \equiv \sum_n |n\alpha\rangle$$

$f_i(r)$	$g_i(r, R)$	LO	NLO	N3LO
$f_0(r)$	1	v_c	v_T	
$f_1(r)$	$\frac{6R^2 - 4r^2}{R^4}$		$v_c, v_\tau, v_\sigma, v_{\sigma\tau}$	$v_T, v_{\sigma T}$
$f_2(r)$	$-\frac{4r^2}{R^4}$		$v_t, v_{t\tau}$	v_{tT}
$f_3(r)$	$\frac{2}{R^2}$		v_b	v_{bT}
$f_4(r)$	$4 \frac{4R^4 - 20R^2r^2 + 15r^4}{R^8}$			$v_c, v_\tau, v_\sigma, v_{\sigma\tau}$
$f_5(r)$	$8r^2 \frac{2r^2 - 7R^2}{R^8}$			$v_t, v_{t\tau}$
$f_6(r)$	$4 \frac{5R^2 - 2r^2}{R^6}$			$v_b, v_{b\tau}$
$f_7(r)$	$-\frac{4}{R^4}$			$v_{bb}, v_q, v_{q\sigma},$

Table 4: The radial functions $v_i^{(o)}(r)$ associated with $f_i(r)$.

Where the $\mathcal{L}_n = A L_n^{(2)}(\gamma r)$ are normalized Laguerre functions. The asymptotic functions are the modified Bessel functions

$$\psi_\alpha^{a,R} = \tilde{F}_L(kr) |\alpha\rangle \equiv |F_\alpha\rangle \quad \text{and} \quad \psi_\alpha^{a,I} = \tilde{G}_L(kr) |\alpha\rangle \equiv |G_\alpha\rangle,$$

where R (I) stands for regular (irregular) and the modification is only for small values of r and k , making them well behaved for these small values, but keeping them asymptotically indistinguishable (apart from a normalization constant) from $j_L(r)$ and $y_L(r)$.

We have therefore 7 types of integrals to consider

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle n' \alpha' | \hat{V}(r) | n \alpha \rangle &= \int dr r^2 \mathcal{L}_{n'}(\gamma r) \mathcal{L}_n(\gamma r) \langle \alpha' | \hat{V}(r) | \alpha \rangle, \\
\langle F_{\alpha'} | \hat{V}(r) | n \alpha \rangle &= \int dr r^2 F_{\alpha'}(kr) \mathcal{L}_n(\gamma r) \langle \alpha' | \hat{V}(r) | \alpha \rangle, \\
\langle G_{\alpha'} | \hat{V}(r) | n \alpha \rangle &= \int dr r^2 G_{\alpha'}(kr) \mathcal{L}_n(\gamma r) \langle \alpha' | \hat{V}(r) | \alpha \rangle, \\
\langle F_{\alpha'} | \hat{V}(r) | F_\alpha \rangle &= \int dr r^2 F_{\alpha'}(kr) F_\alpha(kr) \langle \alpha' | \hat{V}(r) | \alpha \rangle, \\
\langle F_{\alpha'} | \hat{V}(r) | G_\alpha \rangle &= \int dr r^2 F_{\alpha'}(kr) G_\alpha(kr) \langle \alpha' | \hat{V}(r) | \alpha \rangle, \\
\langle G_{\alpha'} | \hat{V}(r) | F_\alpha \rangle &= \int dr r^2 G_{\alpha'}(kr) F_\alpha(kr) \langle \alpha' | \hat{V}(r) | \alpha \rangle, \\
\langle G_{\alpha'} | \hat{V}(r) | G_\alpha \rangle &= \int dr r^2 G_{\alpha'}(kr) G_\alpha(kr) \langle \alpha' | \hat{V}(r) | \alpha \rangle.
\end{aligned}$$

The first is an integral of the kind **core-core**, the second and the third are of the kind **asymptotic-core** and the last four of the kind **asymptotic-asymptotic**.

Notice that, apart from the core-core ones, all the other integrals **depend on the scattering energy** through the momentum k .

1.2 Expansion of the potential in the integrals

We saw that the integrals have the form

$$\langle A\alpha | \hat{V}(r) | B\beta \rangle = \int dr r^2 A(r) B(r) \langle \alpha | \hat{V}(r) | \beta \rangle.$$

Since we need to do this kind of integrals thousands if not hundreds of thousands of times we want to store the most essential information we can.

We start by expanding the potential as in Eq. (2), obtaining

$$\langle A\alpha | \hat{V}(r) | B\beta \rangle = \sum_{o=\{\text{LO}, \text{NLO}, \text{N3LO}\}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_o} C_i^{(o)} \langle \alpha | \hat{O}_i | \beta \rangle \int dr r^2 A_\alpha(r) B_\beta(r) v_i^{(o)}(r).$$

We know also that v_i is one of the f_i functions. Therefore the most basic integrals that we can perform once and store are of the kind

$$\langle A_\alpha | f_i | B_\beta \rangle = \int_0^{r_{\max}} dr r^2 A_\alpha(r) f_i(r) B_\beta(r). \quad (3)$$

Apart from the core-core ones, these integrals depend on the scattering energy and on the channels α and β and in general on the scattering channel, which defines what α and β can be.

1.2.1 Example with $L = 1$ and $S = 1$ in np scattering

In this case the possible channels for a np scattering are three, 3P_0 , 3P_1 and the coupled $^3P_2 - ^3F_2$ channels. For each channel we are interested in 20 energies, going up to 1 MeV. We want for each energy and for each channel to find the scattering phase shifts and mixing angles.

We want to see how these change by changing the potential LECs, therefore we need to repeat this process $N = 100$ times. Since the kinetic energy do not depend on the potential, we can evaluate it for each channel and energy once. Same goes for the integrals in Eq. (3). To store this information we need therefore several matrices. We declare them as

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INTEGER, PARAMETER :: NCH = 3
INTEGER, PARAMETER :: NEQ = 2
INTEGER, PARAMETER ::>NNL = 32
INTEGER, PARAMETER :: NALPHA =>NNL*NEQ
DOUBLE PRECISION :: K_MINUS_E_CC (NCH, NE, NALPHA, NALPHA)
DOUBLE PRECISION :: K_MINUS_E_AC_R (NCH, NE, NEQ, NALPHA)
DOUBLE PRECISION :: K_MINUS_E_AC_I (NCH, NE, NEQ, NALPHA)
DOUBLE PRECISION :: K_MINUS_E_AA_RR (NCH, NE, NEQ, NEQ)
DOUBLE PRECISION :: K_MINUS_E_AA_RI (NCH, NE, NEQ, NEQ)
DOUBLE PRECISION :: K_MINUS_E_AA_IR (NCH, NE, NEQ, NEQ)
DOUBLE PRECISION :: K_MINUS_E_AA_II (NCH, NE, NEQ, NEQ)
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These integrals are

$$\begin{aligned} \text{K_MINUS_E_CC}(\text{ich}, \text{ie}, \text{nalphap}, \text{nalpha}) &= \langle n'\alpha' | \hat{K} - E | n\alpha \rangle, \\ \text{K_MINUS_E_AC_X}(\text{ich}, \text{ie}, \text{alphap}, \text{nalpha}) &= \langle X_{\alpha'} | \hat{K} - E | n\alpha \rangle, \\ \text{K_MINUS_E_AA_XY}(\text{ich}, \text{ie}, \text{alphap}, \text{alpha}) &= \langle X_{\alpha'} | \hat{K} - E | Y_\alpha \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

where X, Y could be F or G . Here we have to evaluate

$$\begin{aligned} N_{ch} N_E (N_\alpha^2 + 2N_{eq} N_\alpha + 4N_{eq}^2) &= N_{ch} N_E N_{eq}^2 (N_L^2 + 2N_L + 4) \\ &= 3 \times 20 \times 2^2 (32^2 + 2 \times 32 + 4) \\ &= 262\,080 \text{ integrals.} \end{aligned}$$

Each integral has a different number of points, depending if it's a c - c , an a - c or an a - a integral. The fact that we store them saves a factor $N = 100$, because we won't do them every time we change potential.

For the potential energy we can evaluate the integrals of f_i :

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DOUBLE PRECISION :: FMAT_CC    (0:7, NCH, NALPHA, NALPHA)
DOUBLE PRECISION :: FMAT_AC_R (0:7, NCH, NE, NEQ, NALPHA)
DOUBLE PRECISION :: FMAT_AC_I (0:7, NCH, NE, NEQ, NALPHA)
DOUBLE PRECISION :: FMAT_AA_RR(0:7, NCH, NE, NEQ, NEQ)
DOUBLE PRECISION :: FMAT_AA_RI(0:7, NCH, NE, NEQ, NEQ)
DOUBLE PRECISION :: FMAT_AA_IR(0:7, NCH, NE, NEQ, NEQ)
DOUBLE PRECISION :: FMAT_AA_II(0:7, NCH, NE, NEQ, NEQ)

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These integrals are

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{FMAT_CC}(i, \text{ich}, \text{nalpaph}, \text{nalpaph}) &= \langle n'_{\alpha'} | f_i | n_{\alpha} \rangle, \\
\text{FMAT_AC_X}(i, \text{ich}, \text{ie}, \text{alphap}, \text{nalpaph}) &= \langle X_{\alpha'} | f_i | n_{\alpha} \rangle, \\
\text{FMAT_AA_XY}(i, \text{ich}, \text{ie}, \text{alphap}, \text{alpha}) &= \langle X_{\alpha'} | f_i | Y_{\alpha} \rangle.
\end{aligned}$$

Once we have these integrands we can evaluate back the potential by combining them with the expectation value of the operators $\langle \alpha' | \hat{O}_i | \alpha \rangle$ and the set of LECs we have chosen for that calculation and save them in

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DOUBLE PRECISION :: VM_CC    (NCH, NE, NALPHA, NALPHA)
DOUBLE PRECISION :: VM_AC_R (NCH, NE, NEQ, NALPHA)
DOUBLE PRECISION :: VM_AC_I (NCH, NE, NEQ, NALPHA)
DOUBLE PRECISION :: VM_AA_RR(NCH, NE, NEQ, NEQ)
DOUBLE PRECISION :: VM_AA_RI(NCH, NE, NEQ, NEQ)
DOUBLE PRECISION :: VM_AA_IR(NCH, NE, NEQ, NEQ)
DOUBLE PRECISION :: VM_AA_II(NCH, NE, NEQ, NEQ)

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