

On the character of contact interactions in few-body systems with mixed symmetry

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We analyse predictions of regularized two- and three-body contact interactions in $A = 2 \dots 8$ body systems. The potentials are renormalized via spatially symmetric two- and three-body wave functions. We apply these interactions to equal-mass systems with more constituents than internal degrees of freedom. The spatial wave functions is consequently of mixed symmetry.

We find regulator-induced characteristic interaction ranges for these systems such that below a certain critical cutoff $\Lambda \lesssim \lambda_A$ a stable state exists. For any $\Lambda \gtrsim \lambda_A$, the system is unstable with respect to its lowest breakup threshold. We find a linear relation between the critical $\lambda_A \approx \frac{1}{2} \cdot A$, *i.e.*, a linear dependence of the critical effective range on the number of constituents. This relation and the proximity of the interactions, which were used to obtain it, to unitarity, support the first main conclusion of this work: Any momentum-independent, spherically symmetric interaction, which is constrained by shallow two- and three-particle states, *i.e.*, by totally spatially symmetric states, and a non-zero effective range

Furthermore, we find no evidence for a resonance pole close to the scattering threshold in the limit $\Lambda \rightarrow \infty$.

I. OVERTURE

Contact interactions stabilize the unitary A -boson system with respect to certain thresholds which are set by an infinite number of stable 3-body states, each of which is correlated with a pair (one shallow and one deep) of 4-body states. A pair of 5-body states is then found for each of the deep 4-body states. This pattern generalizes such that a stable pair of a deep, and a shallow $A + 1$ -body state is found for each A -body state which is deep relative to its $A - 1$ -body threshold. With each particle, the binding energy increases with the number of pairs in the system which interact via a unitary attraction. Nothing hinders all particles to reside in the state which maximises the attraction. These “bosonic” states are the ground states of fermions whose internal space is of some dimension $n \geq A^*$. The dynamics of fermionic systems with $n < A$ subject to pairwise contact interaction is the subject of this note.

For $\hat{V} = \sum_{i < j} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \delta_\lambda(\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j)$ we substantiate two conjecture with numerical evidence:

Fermion contact instability. *There is no stable A -body state ($A > N_{\text{internal}}$) for particles interacting solely at zero-range, and there momentum independently (“contact interactions”).*

For the theoretical description of nuclei, this theorem implies that the description of 6-helium, for example, must take into account the effective range of the nuclear interaction.

Finite-range stability. *For all non-zero, attractive, momentum-dependent (*i.e.*, finite-range) interactions $\exists A_c : \forall N \geq A_c$, partitions F of $N : B(N) > \sum_{n \in F} B(n)$.*

* For nucleons $n = 4$, *i.e.*, two iso-spin and two spin degrees of freedom.

TABLE I. Symbols, variables, numerical values as used in the manuscript..

\sum	$\sum_{i=1}^{A-1}$
$<$	$\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i$

TABLE II. Defining parameters of the effective potential between a Gaussian A -body core, characterized via the width a ($??$), and one odd particle. The 2- and 3-body LECs C_0^Λ and D_1^Λ are calibrated to a 2- and 3-body symmetric bound state (see table I). $A' = A - 1$

i	η_i	κ_i	
1	$8 C_0^\Lambda \frac{A'}{\left(4 + \frac{A'}{A} \frac{\Lambda^2}{a}\right)^{3/2}}$	$-\frac{A\Lambda^2}{4A + A' \frac{\Lambda^2}{a}}$	
2	$\frac{32D_1^\Lambda a^3 A'' A'}{(16a^2 A + 4a(3A - 1)\Lambda^2 + A''\Lambda^4)^{3/2}}$	$\frac{\Lambda^2(4a^2 A + 2aA\Lambda^2)}{16a^2 A + 4a(3A'' + 5)\Lambda^2 + A''\Lambda^4}$	
3	$\frac{32D_1^\Lambda A'' A'}{\left(\frac{(4a + \Lambda^2)(4aA + A''\Lambda^2)}{a^2 A}\right)^{3/2}}$	$-\frac{2aA\Lambda^2}{4aA + A''\Lambda^2}$	
n	ζ_i	α_n	β_n
1	$2\sqrt{2} \left(\frac{A^2 \pi^{A'} a^{A''}}{A'(A+1)^2}\right)^{3/2}$	$\frac{a(A^3 + A)}{2A'(A+1)^2}$	$\frac{2aA^2}{A'(A+1)^2}$
2	$\frac{8C_0^\Lambda a^3 A' A^{9/2}}{\pi^{3/2}(A+1)^3(4aA' + A''\Lambda^2)^{3/2}}$	$\frac{aA(4a(A^2+1) + (3A^2 + A + 2)\Lambda^2)}{2(A+1)^2(4aA' + A''\Lambda^2)}$	$\frac{4aA^2(2a + \Lambda^2)}{(A+1)^2(4aA' + A''\Lambda^2)}$
3	$\frac{32D_1^\Lambda A'' A' (aA)^{9/2}}{\pi^{3/2}(A+1)^3(16a^2 A' + 4a(3A - 4)\Lambda^2 + A''\Lambda^4)^{3/2}}$	$\frac{aA(16a^2(A^2+1) + 4a(5A^2 + A + 4)\Lambda^2 + (5A^2 + 2A + 3)\Lambda^4)}{2(A+1)^2(16a^2 A' + 4a(3A - 4)\Lambda^2 + A''\Lambda^4)}$	$\frac{2aA^2(16a^2 + 16a\Lambda^2 + 3\Lambda^4)}{(A+1)^2(16a^2 A' + 4a(3A - 4)\Lambda^2 + A''\Lambda^4)}$
4	$\frac{32D_1^\Lambda A'' A'}{\pi^{3/2} \left(\frac{(A+1)^2(4a + \Lambda^2)(4aA' + A''\Lambda^2)}{a^3 \Lambda^3}\right)^{3/2}}$	$\frac{aA(4a(A^2+1) + (5A^2 + 2A + 3)\Lambda^2)}{2(A+1)^2(4aA' + A''\Lambda^2)}$	$\frac{2aA^2(4a + 3\Lambda^2)}{(A+1)^2(4aA' + A''\Lambda^2)}$
			$\frac{aA(4a(A^2+1) + (A^2 - 2A + 3)\Lambda^2)}{2(A+1)^2(4aA' + A''\Lambda^2)}$
			$\frac{aA(16a^2(A^2+1) + 4a(3A^2 - A + 4)\Lambda^2 + (A^2 - 2A + 3)\Lambda^4)}{2(A+1)^2(16a^2 A' + 4a(3A - 4)\Lambda^2 + A''\Lambda^4)}$
			$\frac{aA(4a(A^2+1) + (A^2 - A + 2)\Lambda^2)}{2(A+1)^2(4aA' + A''\Lambda^2)}$
			γ_n