

Spin-tensor decomposition of nuclear forces from chiral Effective Field Theory

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Motivation: Nuclear Forces

One of the most important thing in nuclear physics is to determine the interaction between nucleons. In particular, the importance of three-body force is not only for nuclear physics, but for astrophysical processes.

chiral effective field theory

many-body forces are naturally derived as the orders of 'perturbation expansion' be higher.

Chiral EFT is thought to be a candidate to describe nuclear forces in a systematic and consistent way.

In this presentation, I will show some features of nuclear forces from chiral EFT obtained by quantitative analysis of its potentials.

What is chiral EFT ?

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- symmetry of underlying theory(QCD) = **chiral symmetry**
- light particles=nucleons and pions → **chiral Effective Field Theory**

Chiral symmetry

Chiral symmetry breaking

Chiral symmetry is the approximate symmetry of QCD.

It is spontaneously broken. $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \rightarrow SU(2)_V$

generation of hadron masses.

pions emerge as corresponding Nambu-Goldstone bosons

interactions between NG bosons (low-energy theorem)

chiral symmetry is also explicitly broken due to the existence of nonvanishing masses of quarks

pions acquire the finite masses.

Chiral expansion

At low energy region, coupling constant becomes large and one can no longer rely on perturbation theory.

We want some alternative expansion parameter to describe low-energy phenomena.

$$\left(\frac{Q}{\Lambda_\chi}\right)^\nu$$

Λ_χ : hard scale (chiral symmetry breaking scale) ~ 1 GeV










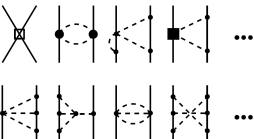
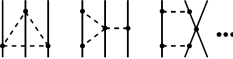

Q : soft scale (nucleon external momentum or pion mass)

ν : power

ν is determined by dimension analysis, power counting.

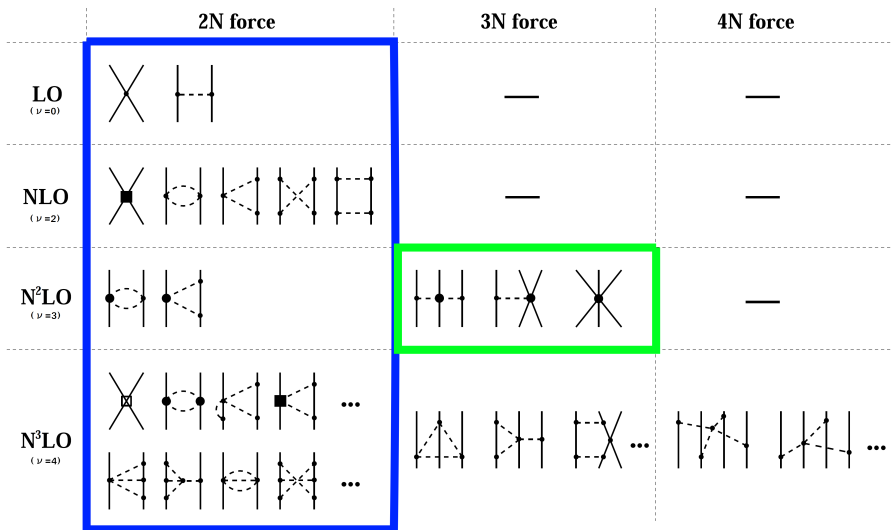
→ classifying the contributions of irreducible diagrams by ν

The hierarchy of Nuclear Forces

	2N force	3N force	4N force
LO ($\nu=0$)			
NLO ($\nu=2$)			
N²LO ($\nu=3$)			
N³LO ($\nu=4$)			

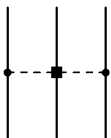
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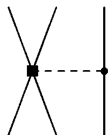


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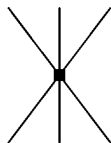
chiral potentials e.g. 3NF in NNLO



(a) TPE



(b) OPE



(c) Contact

$$V_{\text{TPE}}^{3\text{NF}} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{g_A}{2f_\pi} \right)^2 \sum_{i \neq j \neq k} \frac{(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_i \cdot \mathbf{q}_i)(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_j \cdot \mathbf{q}_j)}{(q_i^2 + m_\pi^2)(q_j^2 + m_\pi^2)} \tau_i^\alpha \tau_j^\beta$$

$$\times \left\{ \delta^{\alpha\beta} \left[-\frac{4c_1 m_\pi^2}{f_\pi^2} + \frac{2c_3}{f_\pi^2} \mathbf{q}_i \cdot \mathbf{q}_j \right] + \sum_\gamma \frac{c_4}{f_\pi^2} \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma} \tau_k^\gamma \boldsymbol{\sigma}_k \cdot (\mathbf{q}_i \times \mathbf{q}_j) \right\}$$

$$V_{\text{OPE}}^{3\text{NF}} = -\frac{g_A}{8f_\pi^2} \frac{c_D}{f_\pi^2 \Lambda_\chi} \sum_{i \neq j \neq k} \frac{(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_j \cdot \mathbf{q}_j)(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_i \cdot \mathbf{q}_i)}{q_j^2 + m_\pi^2} (\boldsymbol{\tau}_i \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_j)$$

$$V_{\text{cont}}^{3\text{NF}} = \frac{c_E}{2f_\pi^4 \Lambda_\chi} \sum_{j \neq k} (\boldsymbol{\tau}_j \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_k) = \frac{c_E}{f_\pi^4 \Lambda_\chi} (\boldsymbol{\tau}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_2 + \boldsymbol{\tau}_2 \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_3 + \boldsymbol{\tau}_3 \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_1)$$

Shell-model interaction

We expand these potentials by two-body shell model basis

$$|n_i j_i (l_i s_i); n_j j_j (l_j s_j)\rangle$$

For three-body forces...transform into effective two-body forces.

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \mathbf{k}'_1 \sigma'_1 \tau'_1, \mathbf{k}'_2 \sigma'_2 \tau'_2 | V_{12(3)} | \mathbf{k}_1 \sigma_1 \tau_1, \mathbf{k}_2 \sigma_2 \tau_2 \rangle \\ & \equiv \sum_{\mathbf{k}_3 \sigma_3 \tau_3} \langle \mathbf{k}'_1 \sigma'_1 \tau'_1, \mathbf{k}'_2 \sigma'_2 \tau'_2, \mathbf{k}'_3 \sigma'_3 \tau'_3 | V_{123} | \mathbf{k}_1 \sigma_1 \tau_1, \mathbf{k}_2 \sigma_2 \tau_2, \mathbf{k}_3 \sigma_3 \tau_3 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

“summing over third nucleon in Fermi sea of nuclear matter”

Ref. M. Kohno, Phys. Rev. C 88, 064005(2013)

In matter calculation, $c_D \sim 4c_E$ setting is known to give reasonable saturation curve. ($c_D = -4.381$, $c_E = -1.126$)

Ref. K. Hebeler, *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 83, 031301(2011)

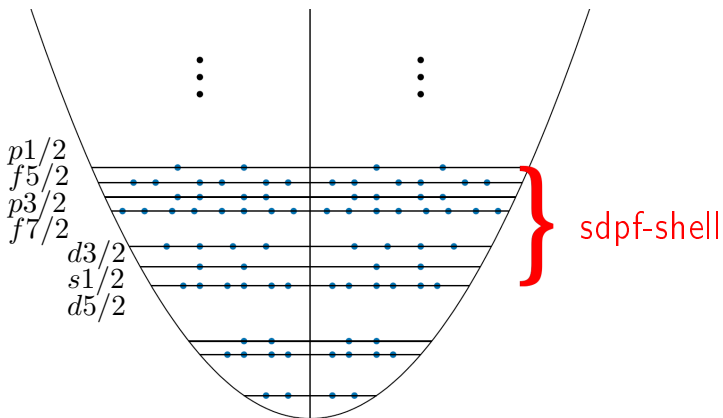
Spin-tensor decomposition

The form of nuclear potentials are limited to scalar operator composed of rank 0, 1, and 2 irreducible tensor operators.

According to Racah algebra, nuclear potentials can be decomposed into ...
 $p=0$: central, $p=1$: spin-orbit(ls), $p=2$: tensor (p denotes the rank of ingredient operators)

$$\langle ABLSJ'T|V_p|CDL'S'J'T\rangle = (-1)^{J'}(2p+1) \begin{Bmatrix} L & S & J' \\ S' & L' & p \end{Bmatrix} \\ \times \sum_J (-1)^J(2J+1) \begin{Bmatrix} L & S & J \\ S' & L' & p \end{Bmatrix} \langle ABLSJ'T|V|CDL'S'JT\rangle$$

Ref. M.W. Kirson, Physics Letters B | Vol 45, Iss 2, Pgs 77-170 (1973)



We focus on sdpf-shell ...

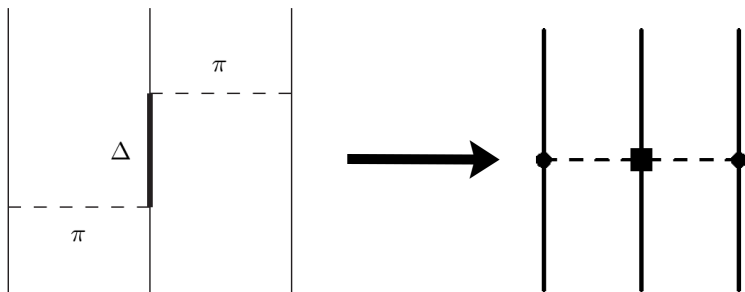
And for simplicity, we will look at only monopole components

$$V_{j,j'}^T = \frac{\sum_J (2J + 1) \langle jj' | V | jj' \rangle_{JT}}{\sum_J (2J + 1)}$$

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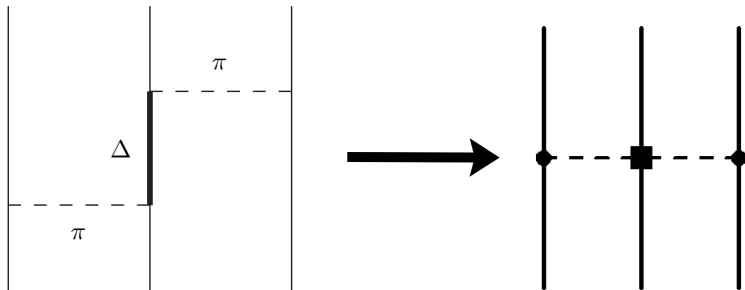
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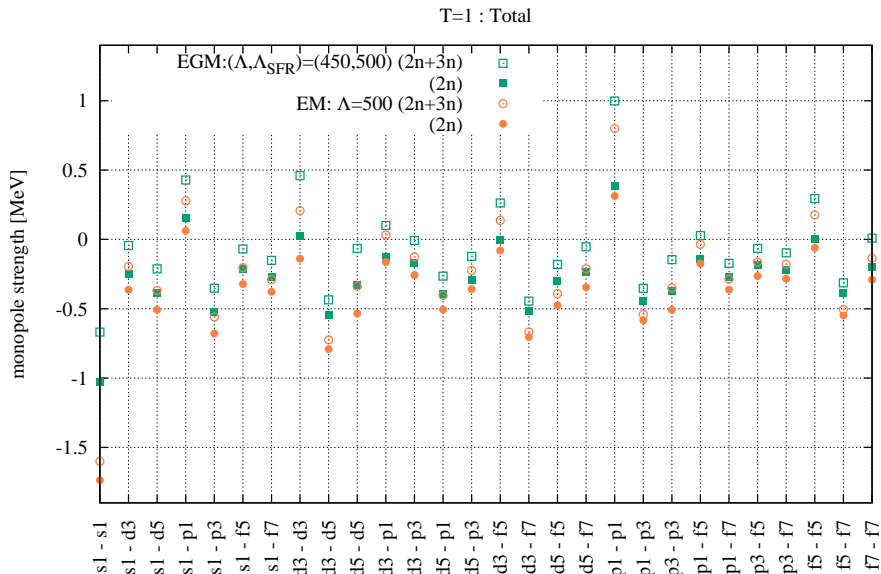
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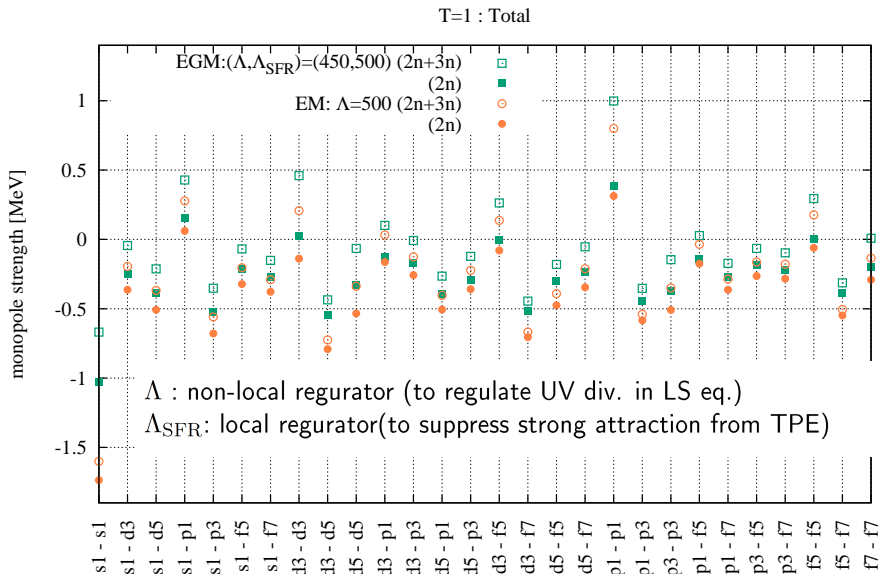
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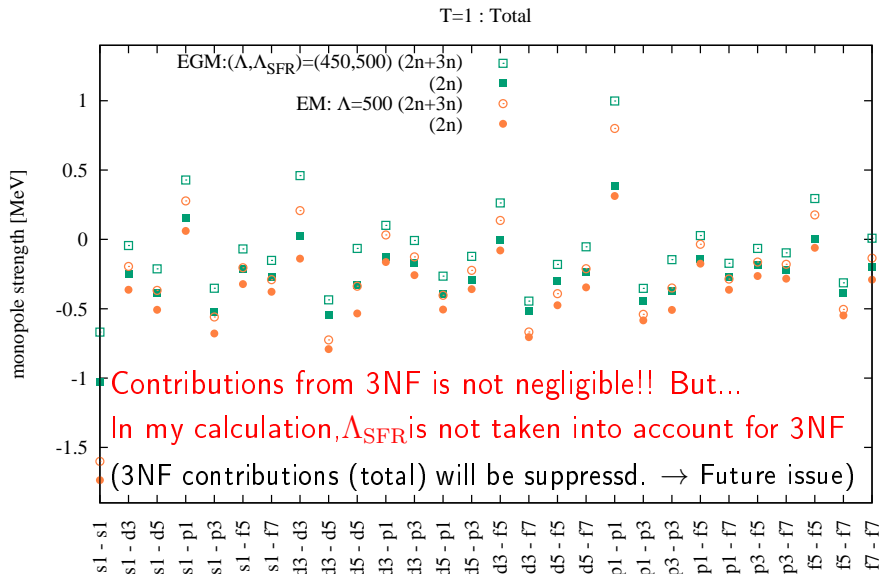
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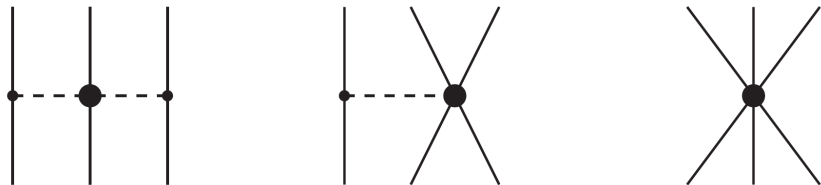
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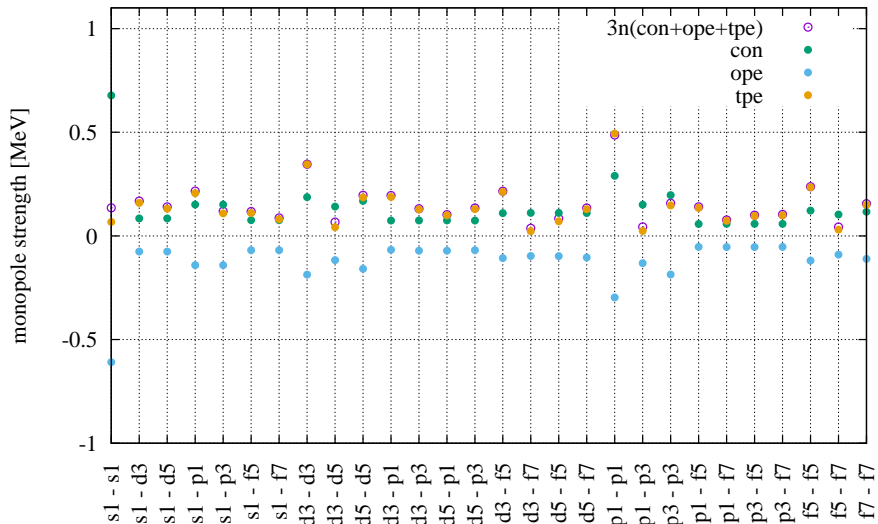
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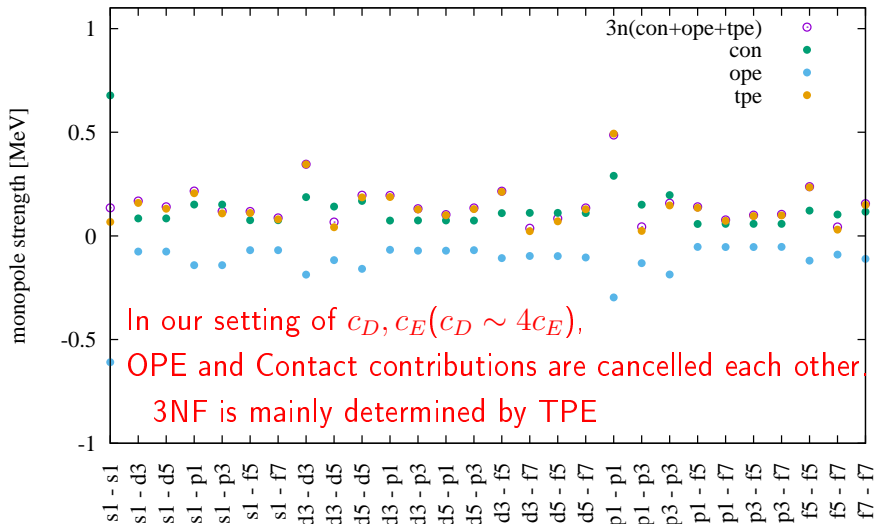
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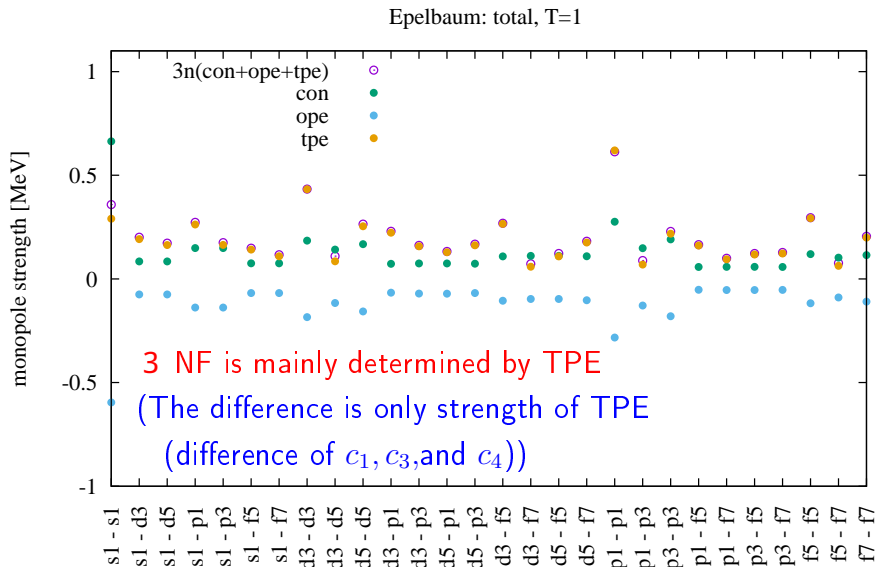
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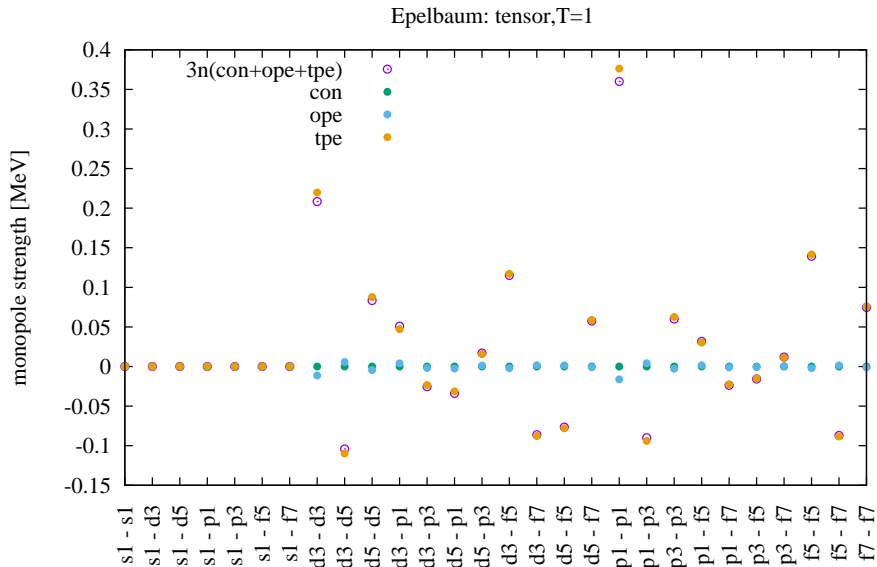


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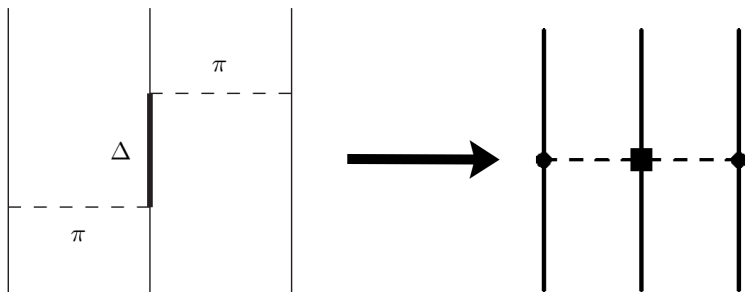
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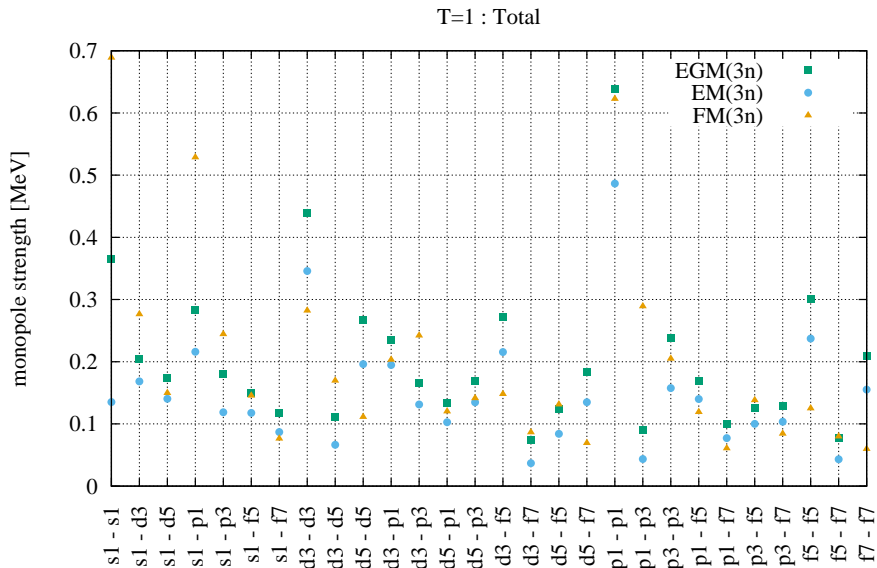
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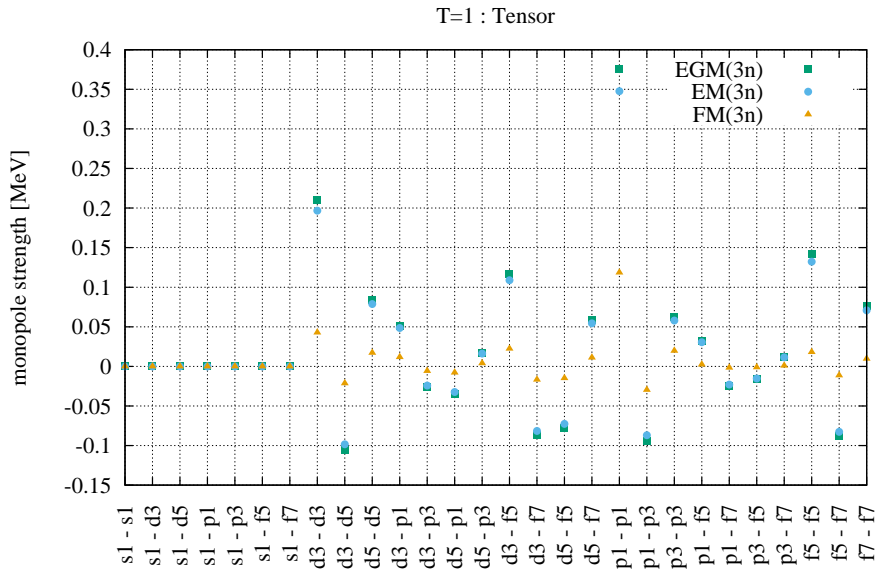
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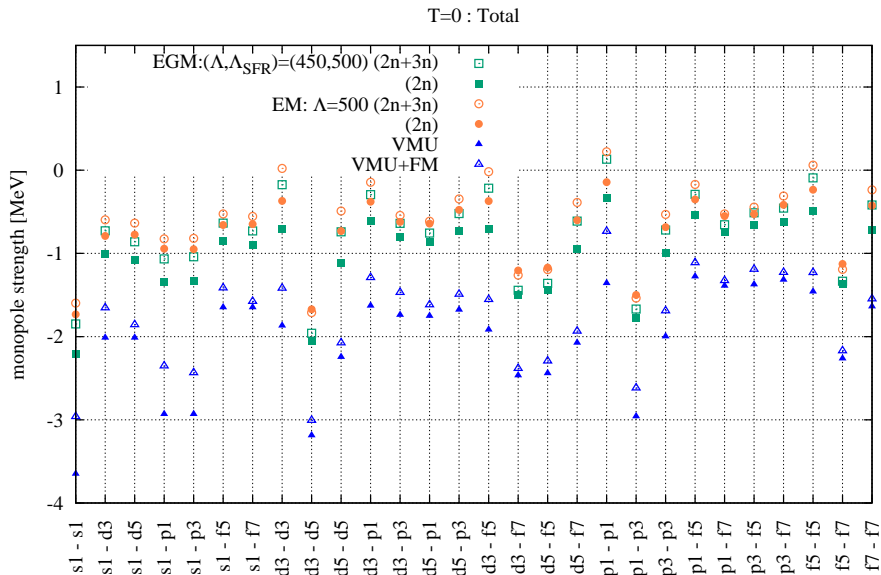
Summary

- 3NF from chiral EFT is not negligible (vs 2NF contribution)
note) Λ_{SFR} (local-regulator to suppress TPE contribution) is not taken into account for 3NF)
- Assuming $c_D \sim 4c_E$, 3NF is mainly determined by TPE
- The total tendency of chiral EFT 3NF are similar to FM type 3NF, but the **Tensor part from chiral EFT is much larger than FM** .

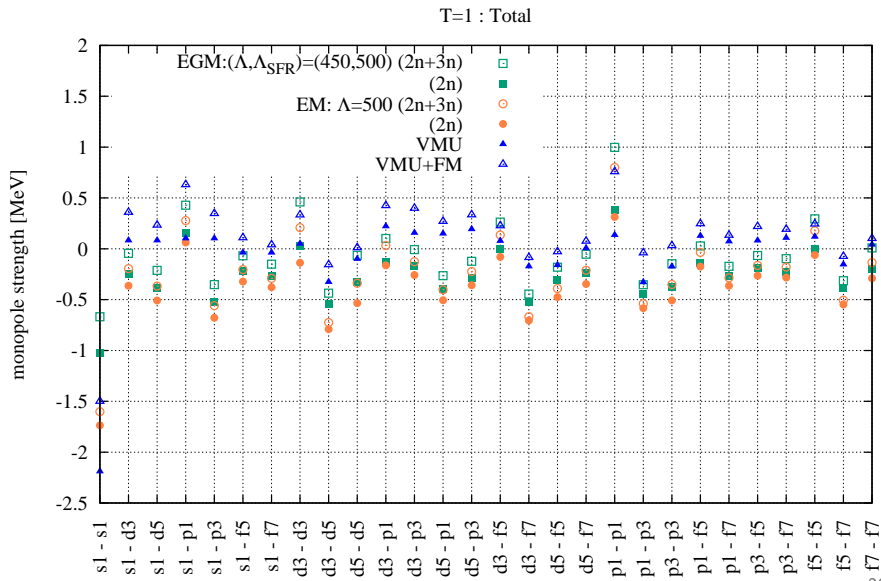
Future Issues

- How about different settings of c_D and c_E ?
- Improvement in the treatment of 3NF (Λ_{SFR} , how to transform effective 2NF, and so on.)
- Constrution of effective interactions for shell-model calculation and calculation of concrete observables for some specific nuclei.
- whether we can discuss c_D or c_E from some structure calculation ?

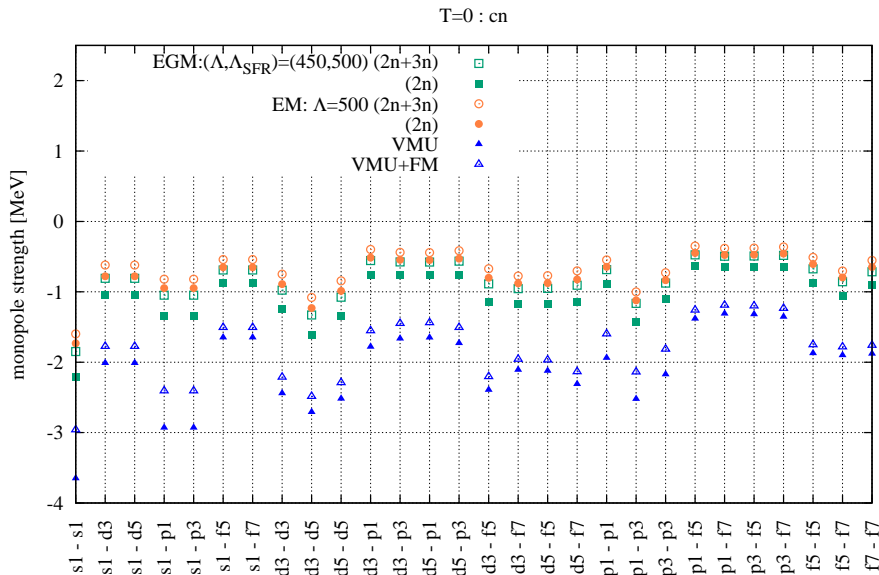
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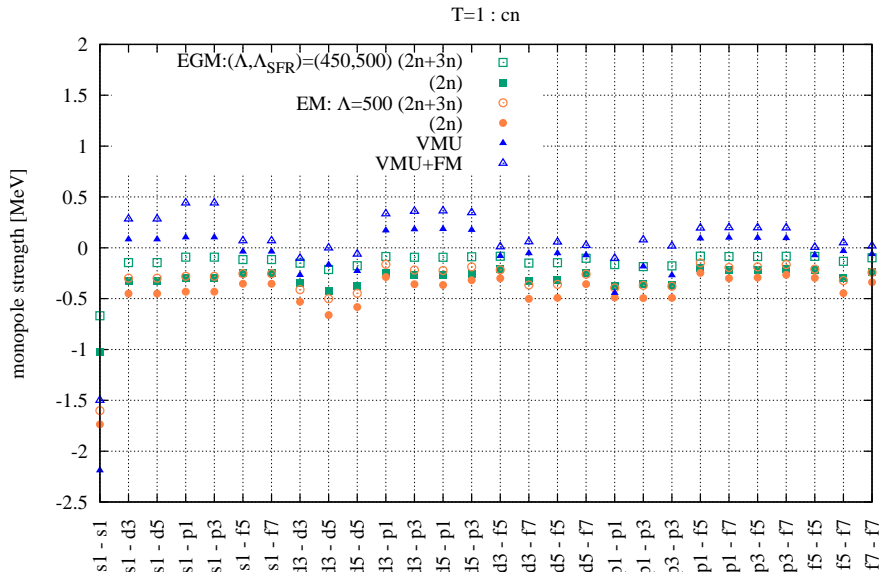
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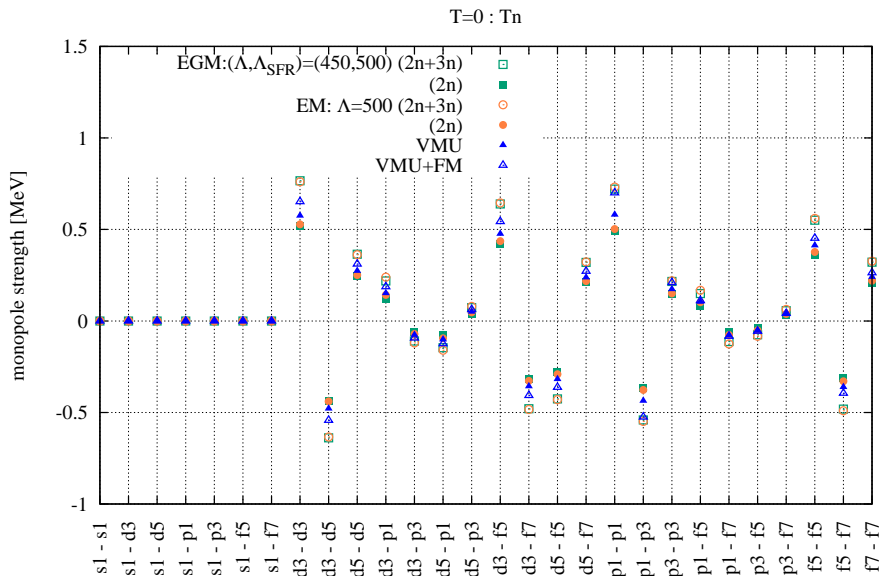
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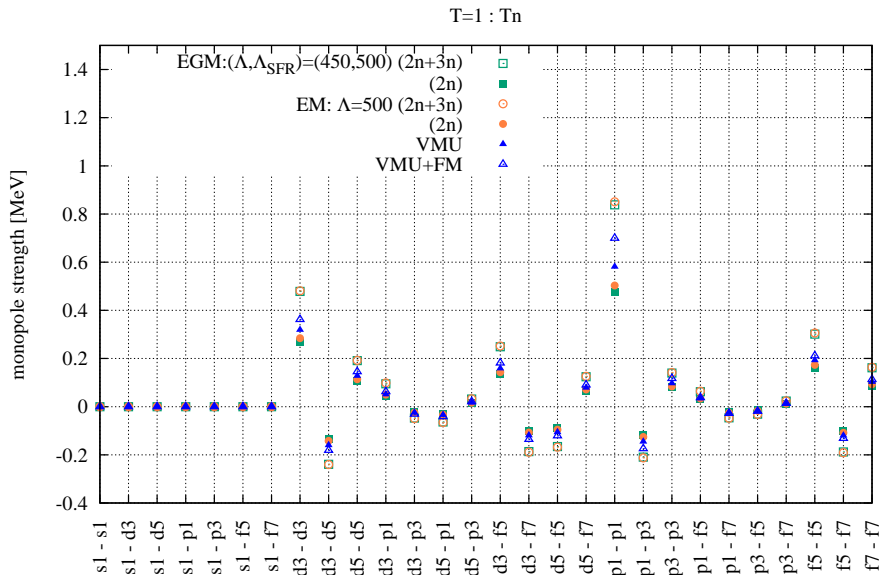
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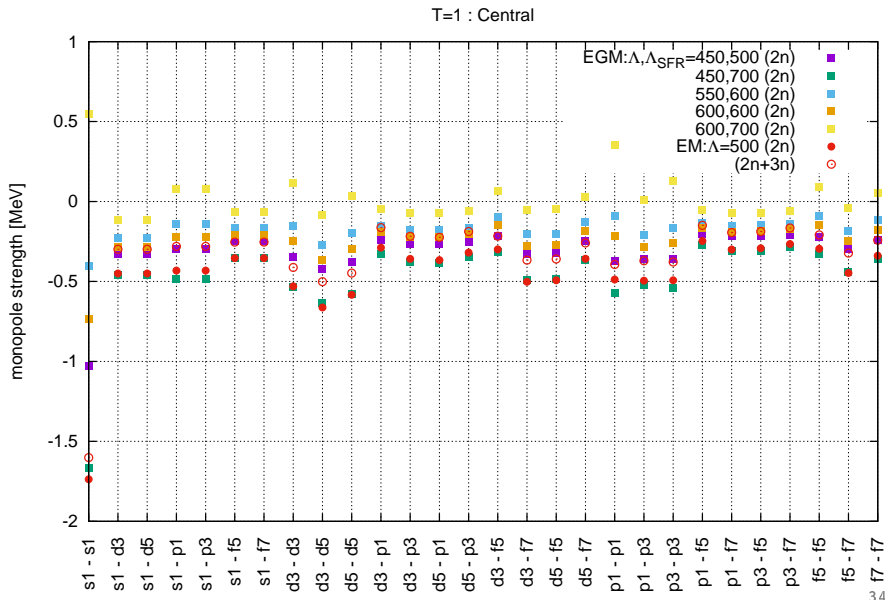
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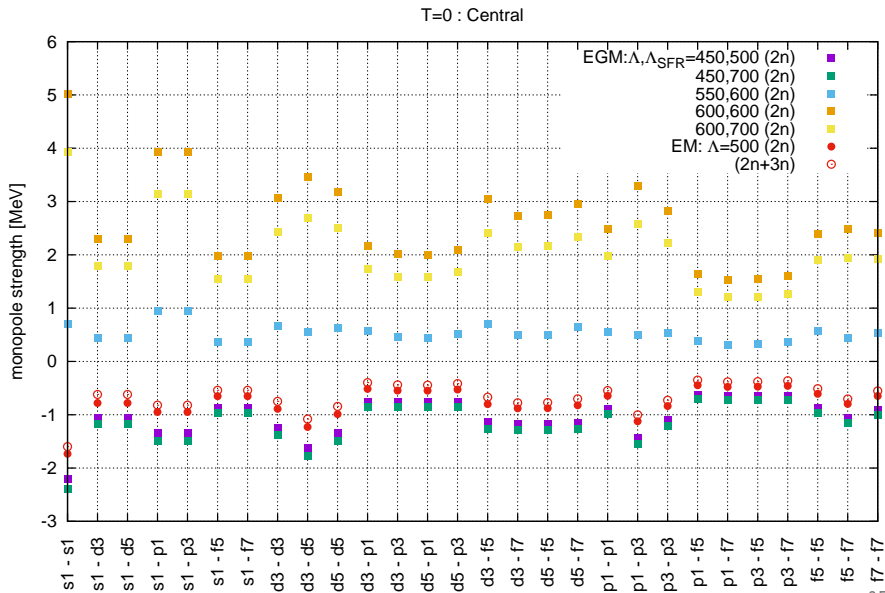
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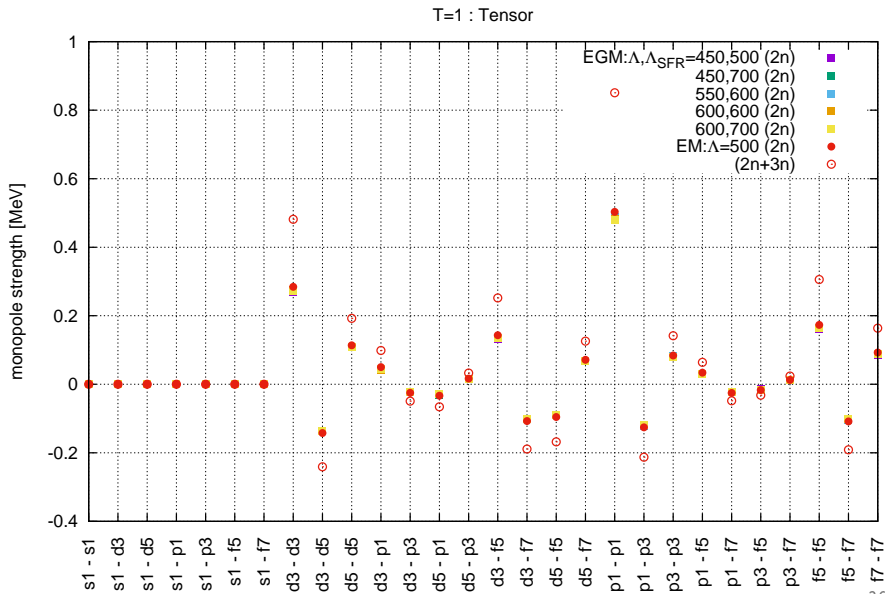
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