

MBTP for energy-dependent interactions

A road towards a merger of MBPT and QED

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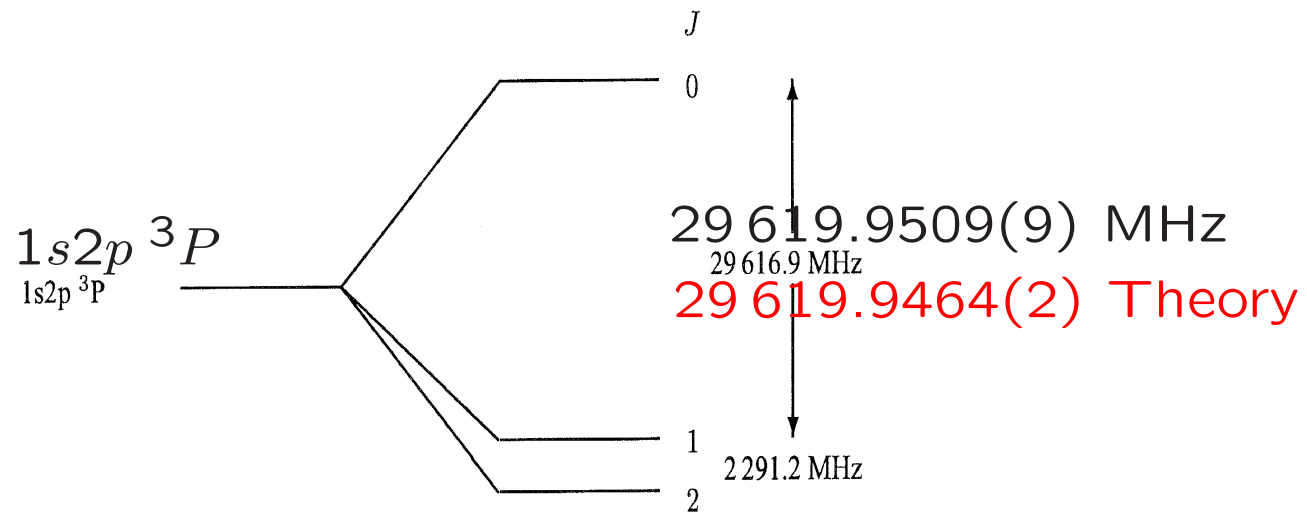
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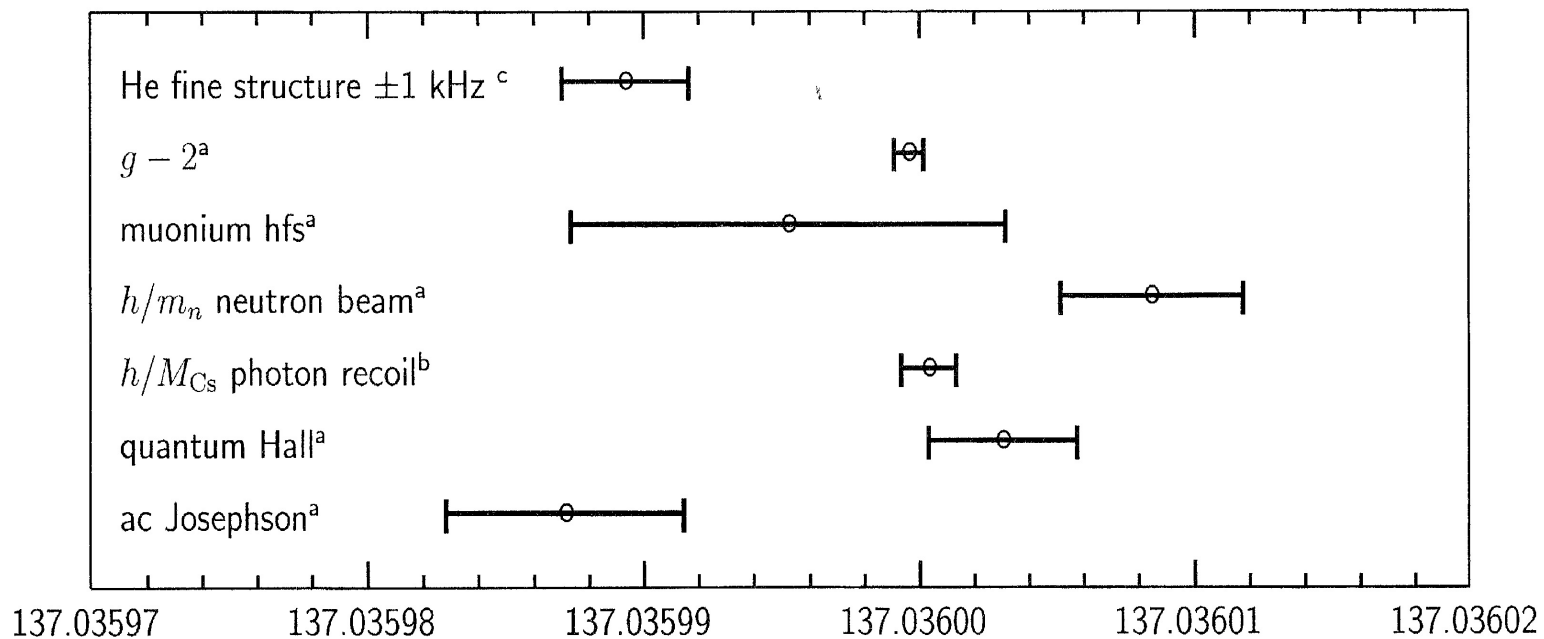
- Introduction (Helium fine structure)
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- Energy-dependent MBPT – **MBPT-QED merger**
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Fine structure of helium atom (2002)



Fine-structure constant

(from Drake, Can. J. Phys. **80**, 1195 (2002))



● CODATA 2002

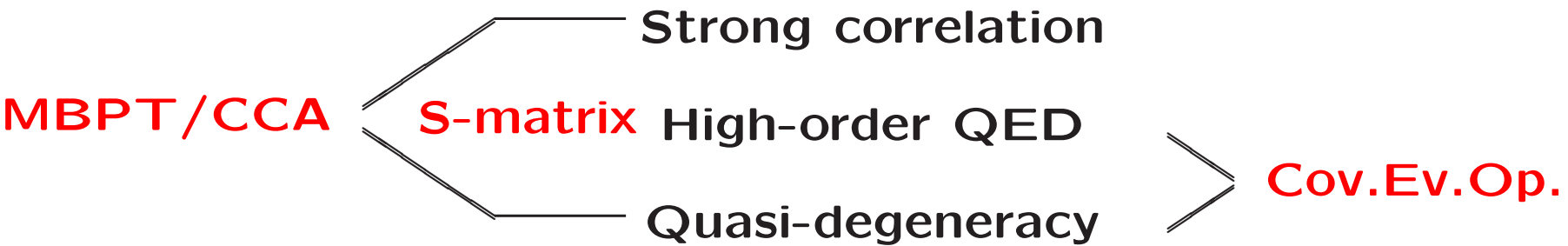
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Deviation theory-exp: 7 std dev

Helium fine structure: A challenging theoretical problem

Involves:



The Bethe-Salpeter approach

Dyson equation for the Green's function

$$G = G_0 + G_0 \kappa G$$

$$iG_0(E) = \frac{1}{E - H_0} (\Lambda_{++} - \Lambda_{--})$$

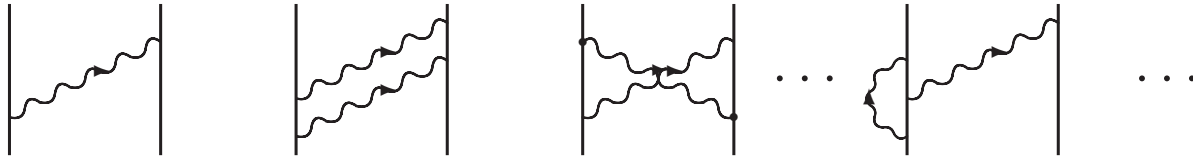
Using plane waves, the homogeneous part represents the

bound-state wave function

$$\Psi = G_0 \kappa \Psi$$

Bethe-Salpeter equation

κ represents all **irreducible** kernels



BS equation can be expressed in the form

$$(E - H_c)\Psi(E) = \mathcal{V}_{\text{QED}}\Psi(E)$$

$$H_c = H_0 + \Lambda_{++}I_c\Lambda_{++}$$

Sucher "no-pair" Hamiltonian

Treated by means of Brillouin-Wigner perturbation expansion

$$E = E_c + \langle \Psi_c | \mathcal{V}_{\text{QED}} + \mathcal{V}_{\text{QED}}\Gamma_Q\mathcal{V}_{\text{QED}} + \mathcal{V}_{\text{QED}}\Gamma_Q\mathcal{V}_{\text{QED}}\Gamma_Q\mathcal{V}_{\text{QED}} + \cdots | \Psi_c \rangle$$

$$\Gamma_Q = \frac{Q}{E - H_c}$$

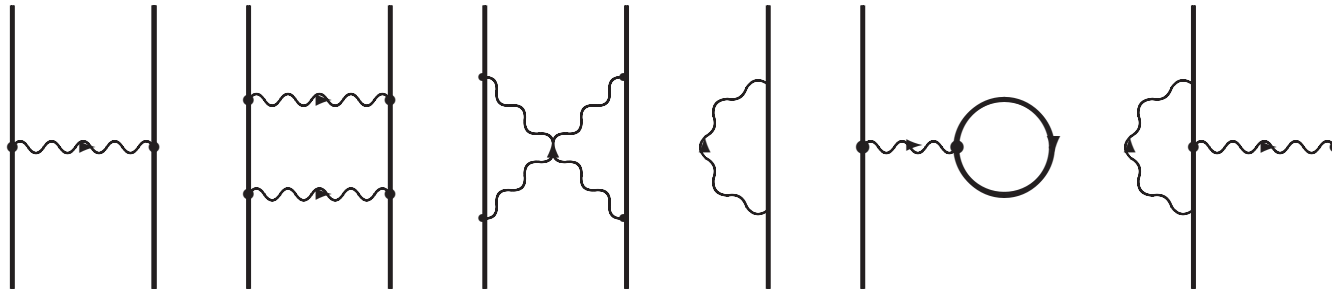
Sucher 1957, Douglas-Kroll 1974, Zhang-Drake 1996

S-matrix approach to energy-dependent interactions

1. Start from hydrogenic Dirac orbitals (Green's functions) in nuclear potential (**Furry picture**)

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2. Evaluate one-, two-, ... photon exchange **energies**



Non-radiative

Radiative

Applied mainly to heavy elements

Only one- and two-photon exchange can be evaluated

Electron correlation poorly treated

Energy conservation

Not applicable to **quasi-degeneracy**

No information about **wave function**

No connection to MBPT

Standard MBPT

1. Model space (P)

Strongly mixed states included in the model space
Important for **quasi-degeneracy** (fine structure).

2. Wave operator (Ω)

$$\Psi^\alpha = \Omega \Psi_0^\alpha \quad \Psi_0^\alpha = P\Psi^\alpha \quad (\alpha = 1, 2, \dots, d)$$

3. Effective Hamiltonian (H_{eff})

$$H_{\text{eff}} = PH_0P + H'_{\text{eff}} \quad H'_{\text{eff}} = PV\Omega P$$

$$H_{\text{eff}}|\Psi_0^\alpha\rangle = E^\alpha|\Psi_0^\alpha\rangle$$

Wave operator satisfies the **Bloch eqn**

$$(E_0 - H_0)\Omega P = V \Omega P - \Omega H'_{\text{eff}} \quad (V = 1/r_{12})$$

$$[\Omega, H_0] P = V \Omega P - \Omega H'_{\text{eff}}$$

Linked-diagram theorem:

$$[\Omega, H_0] P = (V \Omega P - \Omega H'_{\text{eff}})_{\text{linked}}$$

The **Bloch eqn** in commutator form can handle
quasi-degeneracy

The Bloch eqn can also be used to generate

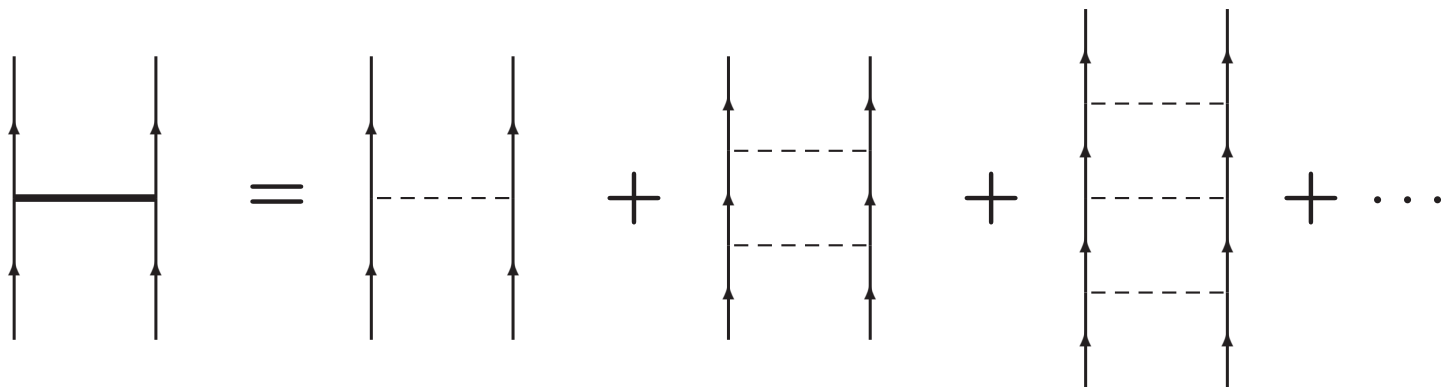
all-order MBPT procedures

Coupled-Cluster Approach

$$\Omega = \{e^S\} \quad S = S_1 + S_2 + \dots$$

$$[S, H_0]P = (V \Omega P - \Omega H'_{\text{eff}})_{\text{conn}}$$

Pair function (S_2)



Includes **pair correlation to all orders**

MBPT/CCA can handle **quasi-degeneracy** and **correlation** effects to all orders for energy-independent interactions.

What about energy-dependent interactions, like QED?

Time-dependent perturbation theory

Time-evolution operator:

$$\Psi(t) = U(t, t_0) \Psi(t_0)$$

$$U(t, t_0) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-i)^n}{n!} \int_{t_0}^t d^4 x_n \dots \int_{t_0}^t d^4 x_1 T_D [\mathcal{H}'_I(x_n) \dots \mathcal{H}'_I(x_1)]$$

$\mathcal{H}'_I(x)$ the perturbation density in Interaction Picture

Adiabatic damping:

$$\mathcal{H}'_I(x) \Rightarrow \mathcal{H}'_I(x) e^{-\gamma|t|} \quad U(t, t_0) \Rightarrow U_\gamma(t, t_0) \quad \Psi(t) \rightarrow \Psi_\gamma(t)$$

$$\Psi_0 = \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \Psi_\gamma(t)$$

$U(\infty, -\infty) = S$ is the *S - matrix*

but we shall consider **finite** final times:

$$U(t, -\infty)$$

Gell-Mann–Low theorem

Time-independent wave function given by

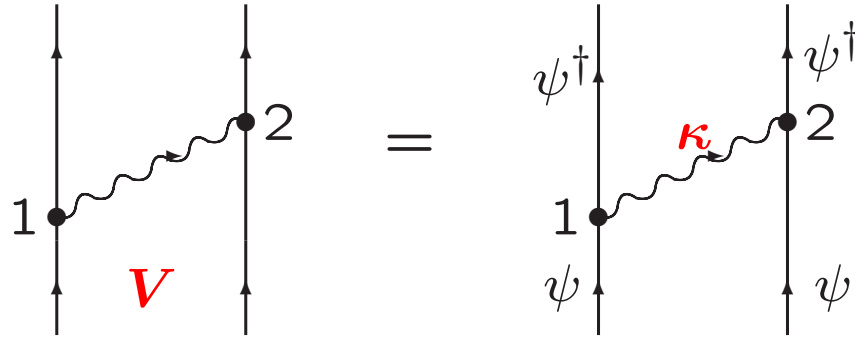
$$\Psi = \lim_{\gamma \rightarrow 0} \frac{U_\gamma(0, -\infty) |\Psi_0\rangle}{\langle \Psi_0 | U_\gamma(0, -\infty) | \Psi_0 \rangle}$$

$|\Psi_0\rangle = P\Psi$ unperturbed wave function

The evolution operator **singular** as $\gamma \rightarrow 0$

The denominator cancels the singularities

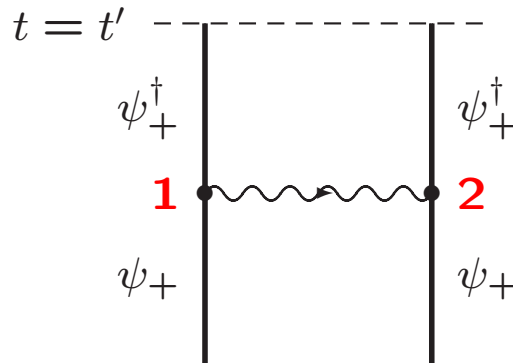
Brueckner-Goldstone Linked-Diagram Theorem



Effective-potential operator (V)
= Interaction kernel (κ)
+ el. field operators (ψ^\dagger, ψ)

$$V(t_1, t_2) = \frac{1}{2} \iint d^3x_1 d^3x_2 \psi^\dagger(x_1) \psi^\dagger(x_2) \kappa(x_1, x_2) \psi(x_2) \psi(x_1)$$

Evolution operator for first-order interaction



$$U^{(2)}(t', -\infty) = - \iint_{-\infty}^{t'} dt_1 dt_2 V(t_1, t_2) e^{-\gamma(|t_1|+|t_2|)}$$

Single-photon exchange

$$\kappa(x_1, x_2) = \alpha_1^\mu i \underbrace{D_{F\mu\nu}(x_2 - x_1)} \alpha_2^\nu$$

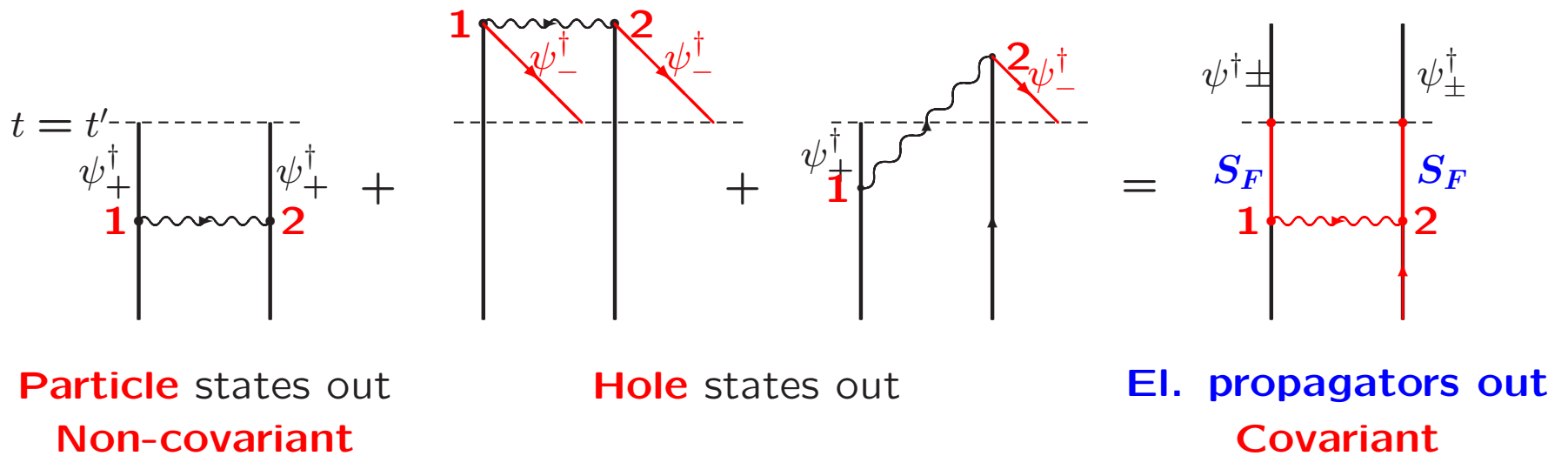
Photon propagator

t_1 and t_2 integrated only from $-\infty$ to t' .

Non-covariant

Covariant evolution operator

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$$U_{\text{Cov}}^{(2)}(t', -\infty) = - \iint d^3x'_1 d^3x'_2 \psi^\dagger(x'_1) \psi^\dagger(x'_2) \psi(x'_1) \psi(x'_2) \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt_1 dt_2 V(t_1, t_2) e^{-\gamma(|t_1| + |t_2|)}$$

t_1 and t_2 integrated over **all times**

The evolution operator is **singular in higher orders**

$$U_\gamma(t, -\infty)P = P + \underbrace{\tilde{U}_\gamma(t, -\infty)} P U_\gamma(0, -\infty)P$$

Reduced evolution operator is regular

Factorization theorem for $t = 0$:

$$U_\gamma(0, -\infty)P = \underbrace{\left[1 + Q \tilde{U}_\gamma(0, -\infty)\right]} \underbrace{P U_\gamma(0, -\infty)P}$$

Regular

Singular

Insert factorization theorem

$$U_\gamma(0, -\infty)P = \left[1 + Q \tilde{U}_\gamma(0, -\infty) \right] P U_\gamma(0, -\infty)P$$

into Gell-Mann–Low formula:

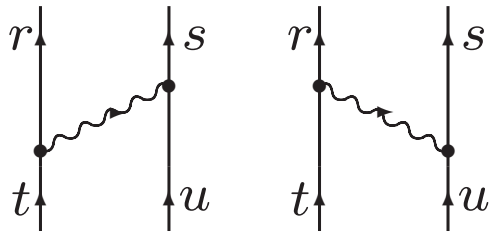
$$\Psi = \frac{U_\gamma(0, -\infty)|\Psi_0\rangle}{\langle\Psi_0|U_\gamma(0, -\infty)|\Psi_0\rangle}$$

$$\Psi = \underbrace{\left[1 + Q \tilde{U}_\gamma(0, -\infty) \right]}_{\text{Wave Op: } \Omega} P \underbrace{\frac{U_\gamma(0, -\infty)|\Psi_0\rangle}{\langle\Psi_0|U_\gamma(0, -\infty)|\Psi_0\rangle}}_{\text{Model fcn: } \Psi_0 = P\Psi}$$

$$\Omega = 1 + Q \tilde{U}_\gamma(0, -\infty)$$

Wave operator for **energy-dependent** interactions

First-order interaction



$$\Omega^{(1)}(E_0) = Q\tilde{U}^{(2)}(0) = \frac{Q}{E_0 - H_0} V(E_0)$$

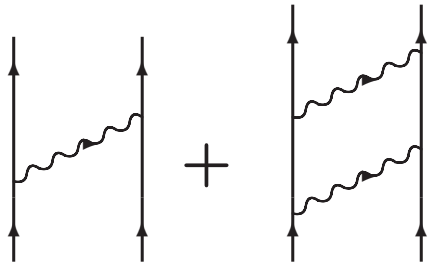
when operating on a state of energy E_0

$$\langle rs | V(z) | tu \rangle = \int \frac{dz}{2\pi} \langle rs | \kappa(z) | ab \rangle \left[\frac{1}{E_0 - \varepsilon_r - \varepsilon_u - z} + \frac{1}{E_0 - \varepsilon_t - \varepsilon_s + z} \right]$$

First-order effective Hamiltonian

$$H_{\text{eff}}^{(1)} = PV(E_0)P$$

Second-order interaction



$$\Omega^{(1)}(E_0) = Q \tilde{U}^{(2)}(0) = \frac{Q}{E_0 - H_0} V(E_0)$$

$$\Omega^{(2)}(E_0) = \frac{Q}{E_0 - H_0} V(E_0) \Omega^{(1)} + \boxed{\left(\frac{\partial \Omega^{(1)}}{\partial \mathcal{E}} \right)_{E_0} H_{\text{eff}}^{(1)}}$$

Last term represents **model-space contributions**

$$\left(\frac{\partial \Omega^{(1)}}{\partial \mathcal{E}} \right)_{E_0} = -\frac{Q}{E_0 - H_0} \Omega^{(1)} + \frac{Q}{E_0 - H_0} \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial \mathcal{E}} \right)_{E_0}$$

folded diagrams and **potential derivatives**
 MBPT S-matrix (ref.state.contr.)

Energy-independent interaction:

$$\Omega^{(2)} = \frac{Q}{E_0 - H_0} V \Omega^{(1)} - \frac{Q}{E_0 - H_0} \Omega^{(1)} H_{\text{eff}}^{(1)}$$

$$(E_0 - H_0) \Omega^{(2)} = Q V \Omega^{(1)} - \Omega^{(1)} H_{\text{eff}}^{(1)}$$

folded

Std Rayleigh-Schrödinger expansion

All-order RS expansion for energy-dep. interactions:

$$\Omega(E_0) = \bar{\Omega}(E_0) + \sum \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{\partial^n \bar{\Omega}}{\partial \mathcal{E}^n} \right)_{E_0} (H'_{\text{eff}})^n$$

$$\bar{\Omega}(E_0) = 1 + \Gamma_Q(E_0) \mathcal{V} + \Gamma_Q(E_0) \mathcal{V} \Gamma_Q(E_0) \mathcal{V} + \dots$$

$$\Gamma_Q(E_0) = \frac{Q}{E_0 - H_0}$$

Recursive **Bloch** form:

$$Q\Omega = \Gamma_Q(E_0) \mathcal{V} \Omega + \left(\frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \mathcal{E}} \right)_{E_0}^* H'_{\text{eff}}$$

Unlinked diagrams eliminated in each order
Linked-diagram expansion:

$$Q\Omega = \left[\Gamma_Q(E_0) \mathcal{V} \Omega + \left(\frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \mathcal{E}} \right)_{E_0}^* H'_{\text{eff}} \right]_{\text{linked}}$$

Energy-independence:

$$Q\Omega = \Gamma_Q V \Omega - \Gamma_Q \Omega H'_{\text{eff}}$$

$$(E_0 - H_0)\Omega = V \Omega - \Omega H'_{\text{eff}}$$

which is the standard Bloch equation

Connection to Bethe-Salpeter eqn

Start with Rayleigh-Schrödinger expansion:

$$\Omega(E_0) = \bar{\Omega}(E_0) + \sum \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{\partial^n \bar{\Omega}}{\partial \mathcal{E}^n} \right)_{E_0} (H'_{\text{eff}})^n$$

Operate on model function:

$$\Omega(E_0)|\Psi_0\rangle = \bar{\Omega}(E_0)|\Psi_0\rangle + \sum \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{\partial^n \bar{\Omega}}{\partial \mathcal{E}^n} \right)_{E_0} (\Delta E)^n |\Psi_0\rangle = \bar{\Omega}(E)|\Psi_0\rangle$$

Taylor expansion

Shifts the energy parameter of $\bar{\Omega}$ from E_0 to $E_0 + \Delta E = E$

Yields the Brillouin-Wigner expansion

$$\bar{\Omega}(E)|\Psi_0\rangle = \left[1 + \frac{Q}{E - H_0} \mathcal{V}(E) + \frac{Q}{E - H_0} \mathcal{V}(E) \frac{Q}{E - H_0} \mathcal{V}(E) + \dots \right] |\Psi_0\rangle$$

Identity holds only in **infinite** order

Quasi-degenerate case:

$$\boxed{[\Omega, H_0]P = \mathcal{V}(E)\Omega P - \Omega P \mathcal{V}(E)\Omega P}$$

Bethe-Salpeter-Bloch equation

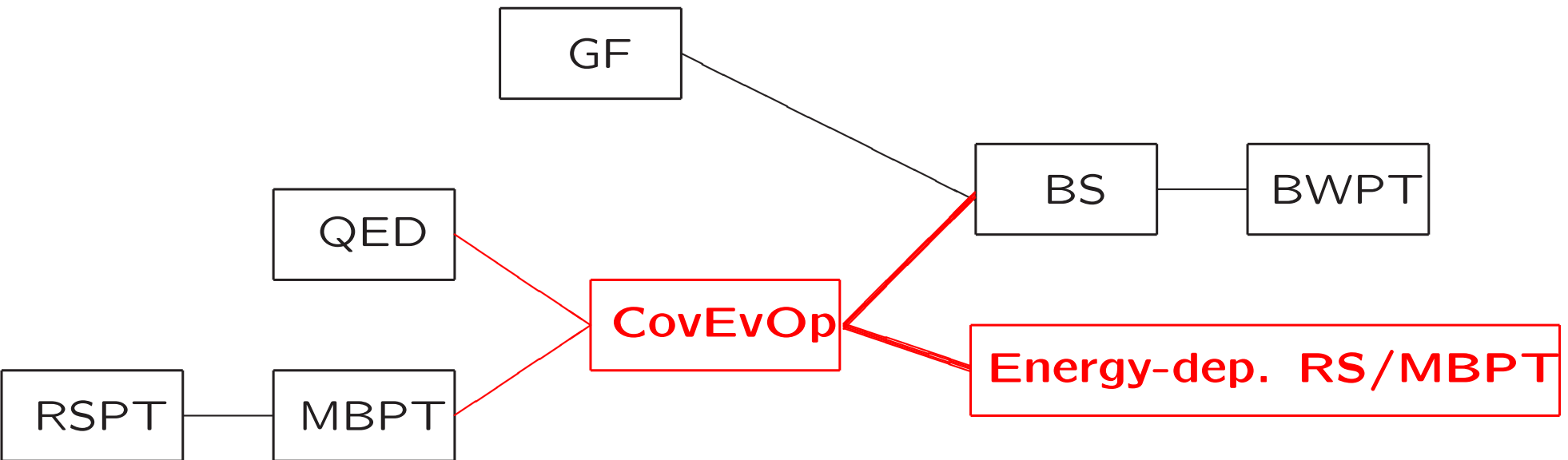
Compare energy-independent MBPT:

$$[\Omega, H_0]P = V\Omega P - \Omega P V\Omega P$$

Generalized MBPT

Connection with Bethe-Salpeter Eq.

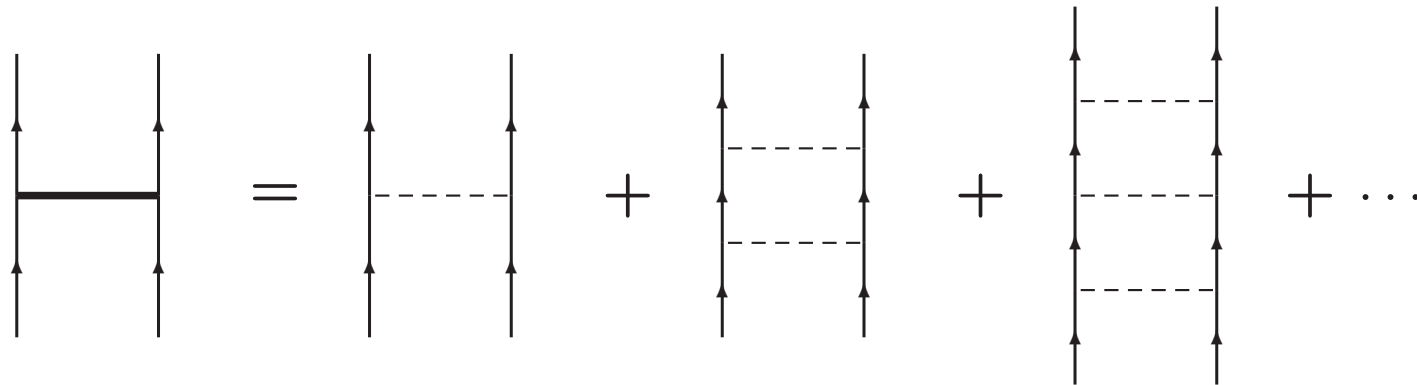
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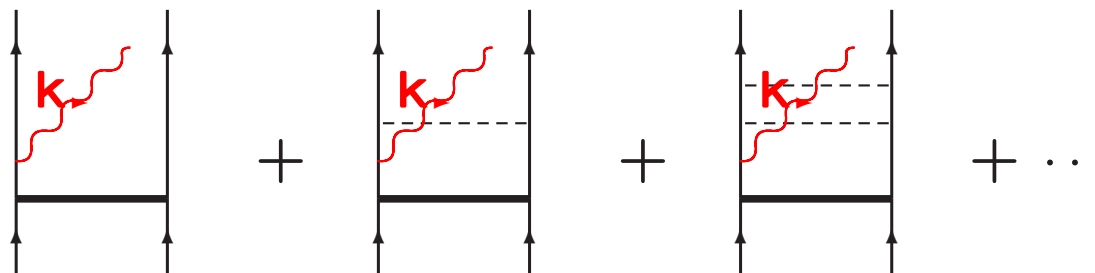
Numerical solution

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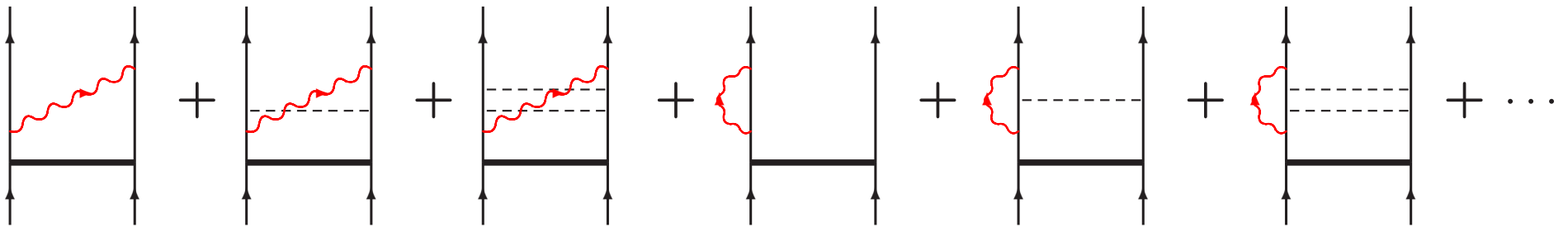
Relativistic pair function



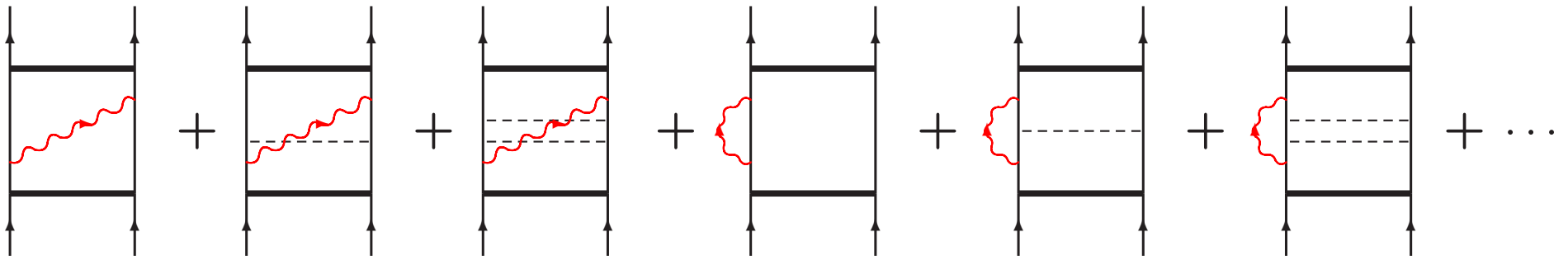
with an uncontracted photon



Absorb the photon and integrate over momentum



Pair functions iterated further



QED effects evaluated with correlated wave functions

Summary and Conclusions

1. A Covariant-evolution-operator method has been developed capable of handling **quasi-degeneracy** for energy-dependent interactions (QED)
(Demonstrated with energy of 3P_1 state of He-like ions)
2. Further development leads to **generalized Rayleigh-Schrödinger perturbation expansion** for energy-dependent perturbations
3. Represents a **merger of MBPT and QED**
4. **Numerical procedure** being developed will be applied to the fs of light He-like ions