

NSCL 7/19/05

Spectroscopic factors and the physics of the single-particle strength distribution in nuclei

Lecture 1: 7/18/05 [Propagator description of single-particle motion and the link with experimental data](#)

Lecture 2: 7/19/05 From diagrams to Hartree-Fock and spectroscopic factors < 1

Lecture 3: 7/20/05 Influence of long-range correlations and the relation to excited states

Lecture 4: 7/21/05 Role of short-range and tensor correlations associated with realistic interactions. Prospects for nuclei with N very different from Z .

Lecture 5: 7/22/05 Saturation problem of nuclear matter

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Outline

- Outline of perturbation theory
- Diagrams and diagram rules
- Self-energy and Dyson equation
- Link between sp and two-particle propagator
- Self-consistent Green's functions
- Hartree-Fock
- Dynamical self-energy and spectroscopic factors < 1

Many-body perturbation theory for G

- Identify solvable problem by considering $\hat{H}_0 = \hat{T} + \hat{U}$ where U is a suitable auxiliary potential.
- Develop expansion in $\hat{H}_1 = \hat{V} - \hat{U}$
- Employs time-evolution, Heisenberg, Schrödinger, and interaction picture of quantum mechanics.
- Once established, this expansion (expressed in Feynman diagrams) is organized in such a way that nonperturbative results can be obtained leading to the Dyson equation. The Dyson equation describes sp motion in the medium under the influence of the self-energy which is an energy-dependent complex sp potential.
- Further insight into the proper description of sp motion in the medium is obtained by studying the relation between sp and two-particle propagation. This allows the selection of appropriate choices of the relevant ingredients for the system under study.

How to calculate G ?

Rearrange Hamiltonian $\hat{H} = \hat{T} + \hat{V} = (\hat{T} + \hat{U}) + (\hat{V} - \hat{U}) = \hat{H}_0 + \hat{H}_1$

Many-body problem with H_0 can be exactly solved when U is a one-body potential like a Woods-Saxon or HO potential.

Corresponding sp propagator (replace H by H_0)

$$G^{(0)}(\alpha, \beta; E) = \sum_m \frac{\langle \Phi_0^N | a_\alpha | \Phi_m^{N+1} \rangle \langle \Phi_m^{N+1} | a_\beta^\dagger | \Phi_0^N \rangle}{E - (E_m^{A+1} - E_{\Phi_0^N}) + i\eta} + \sum_n \frac{\langle \Phi_0^N | a_\beta^\dagger | \Phi_n^{N-1} \rangle \langle \Phi_n^{N-1} | a_\alpha | \Phi_0^N \rangle}{E - (E_{\Phi_0^N} - E_n^{A-1}) - i\eta}$$

$$= \delta_{\alpha, \beta} \left[\frac{\theta(\alpha - F)}{E - \varepsilon_\alpha + i\eta} + \frac{\theta(F - \alpha)}{E - \varepsilon_\alpha - i\eta} \right]$$

using the sp basis associated with H_0 . Note that $\hat{H}_0 a_\alpha^\dagger | \Phi_0^N \rangle = (E_{\Phi_0^N} + \varepsilon_\alpha) a_\alpha^\dagger | \Phi_0^N \rangle$

$$\hat{H}_0 a_\alpha | \Phi_0^N \rangle = (E_{\Phi_0^N} - \varepsilon_\alpha) a_\alpha | \Phi_0^N \rangle$$

So that e.g. $S_h^{(0)}(\alpha; E) = \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} G^{(0)}(\alpha, \alpha; E) = \delta(E - \varepsilon_\alpha) \theta(F - \alpha)$

and $n^{(0)}(\alpha) = \int_{-\infty}^{\varepsilon_F^{(0)-}} dE \delta(E - \varepsilon_\alpha) \theta(F - \alpha) = \theta(F - \alpha) \quad \sim \text{like in atoms}$

Perturbation expansion using $G^{(0)}$ and H_1

Use “interaction picture” $\hat{H}_1(t) = e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}\hat{H}_0 t} \hat{H}_1 e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}\hat{H}_0 t}$

then

$$G(\alpha, \beta; t - t') = -\frac{i}{\hbar} \sum \left(\frac{-i}{\hbar} \right)^m \frac{1}{m!} \int dt_1 \cdots \int dt_m \langle \Phi_0^N | T [\hat{H}_1(t_1) \cdots \hat{H}_1(t_m) a_\alpha(t) a_\beta^+(t')] | \Phi_0^N \rangle_{connected}$$

Can be calculated order by order using diagrams and Wick's theorem.
Yields expressions involving $G^{(0)}$ and matrix elements
of the two-body interaction V (and the auxiliary potential U)

Simple diagram rules in time formulation.

For practical calculations use energy formulation. Diagrams

Diagram rules in energy formulation

Rule 1 Draw all topologically distinct (direct) and connected diagrams with m horizontal interaction lines for V (dashed) and $2m + 1$ directed (using arrows) Green's functions $G^{(0)}$

Rule 2 Label external points only with sp quantum numbers, *e.g.* α and β
Label each interaction with sp quantum numbers

$$\begin{array}{c} \alpha \\ \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ \bullet \\ \delta \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \beta \\ \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ \bullet \\ \gamma \end{array} \Rightarrow \langle \alpha\beta | V | \gamma\delta \rangle = (\alpha\beta | V | \gamma\delta) - (\alpha\beta | V | \delta\gamma)$$

For each arrow line one writes

$$\begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \mu \\ | \\ \uparrow \\ E \\ | \\ \bullet \\ \nu \end{array} \Rightarrow G^{(0)}(\mu, \nu; E)$$

but in such a way that energy is conserved for each V

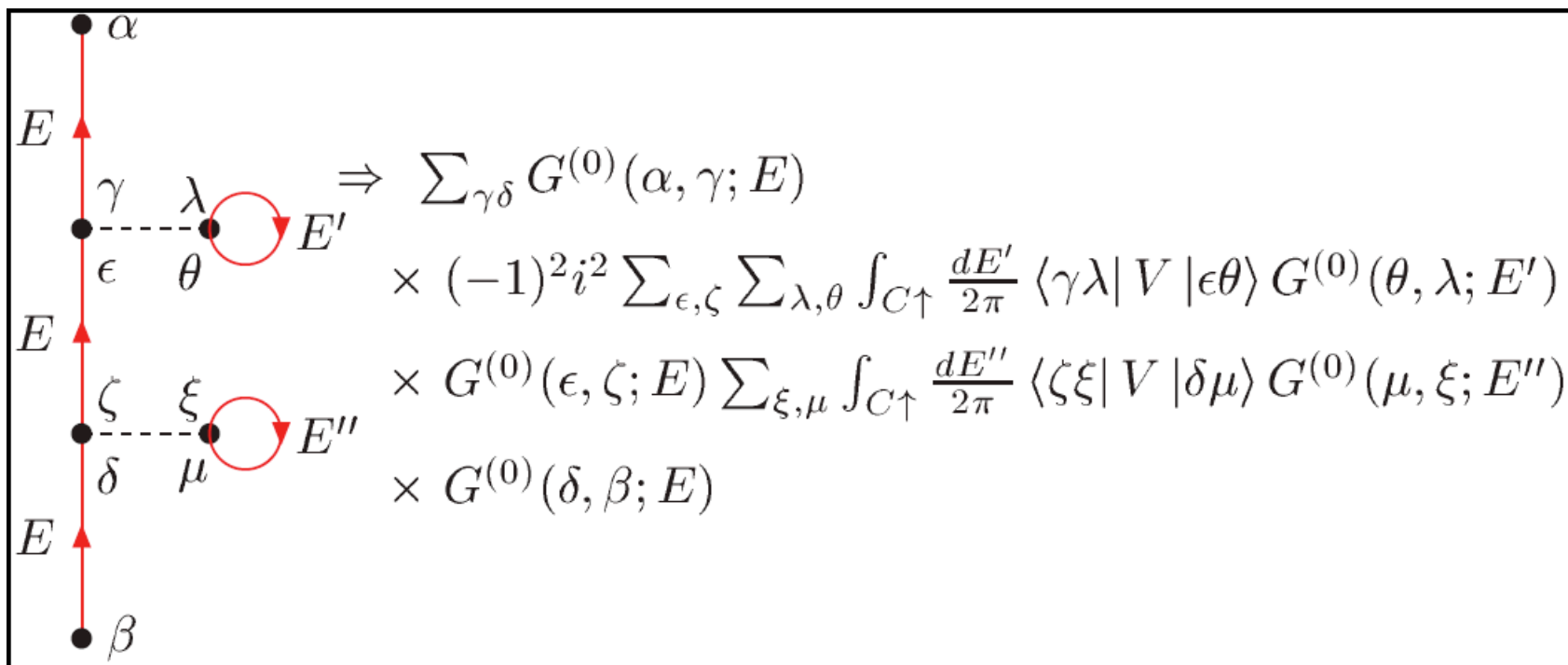
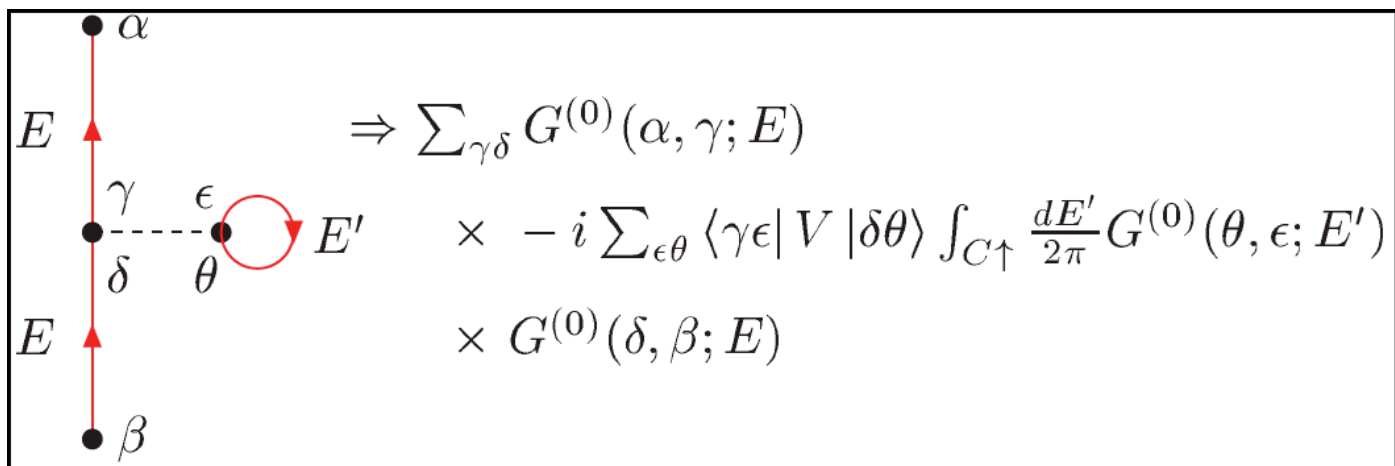
Rule 3 Sum (integrate) over all internal sp quantum numbers and integrate over all m internal energies

For each closed loop an independent energy integration occurs over the contour $C \uparrow$

Rule 4 Include a factor $(i/2\pi)^m$ and $(-1)^F$ where F is the number of closed fermion loops

Rule 5 Include a factor of $\frac{1}{2}$ for each equivalent pair of lines

Examples of diagrams



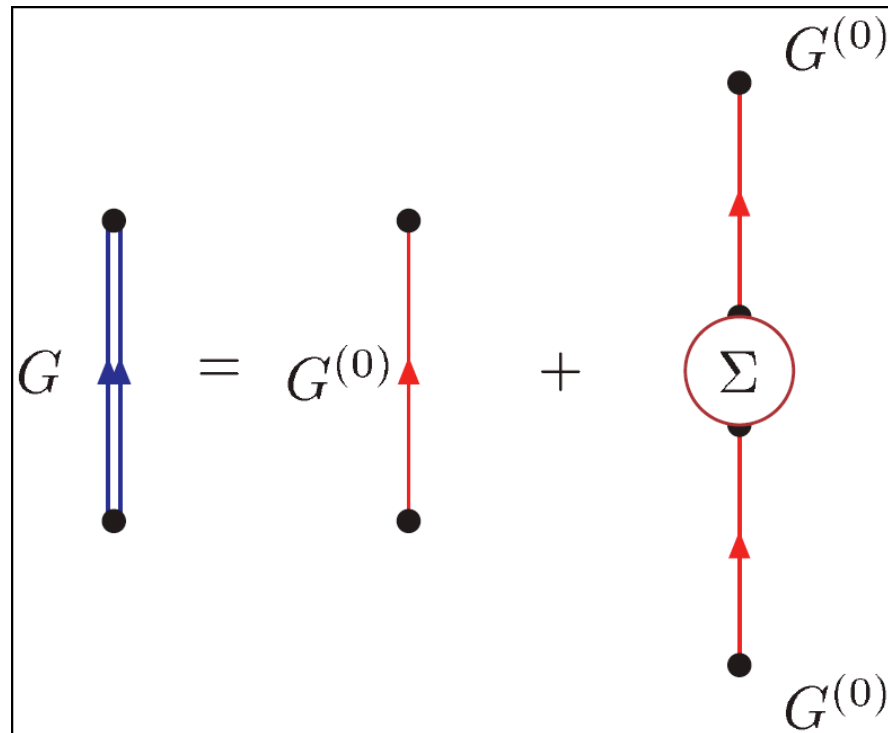
More diagrams

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\Rightarrow \sum_{\gamma\delta} G^{(0)}(\alpha, \gamma; E) \times i^2 \sum_{\epsilon\theta} \sum_{\lambda\zeta} \int_{C\uparrow} \frac{dE'}{2\pi} \\
 &\times \langle \gamma\epsilon | V | \delta\theta \rangle G^{(0)}(\lambda, \epsilon; E') G^{(0)}(\theta, \zeta; E') \\
 &\times \sum_{\mu\xi} \int_{C\uparrow} \frac{dE''}{2\pi} \langle \zeta\xi | V | \lambda\mu \rangle G^{(0)}(\mu, \xi; E'') \\
 &\times G^{(0)}(\delta, \beta; E)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\Rightarrow \sum_{\gamma\delta} G^{(0)}(\alpha, \gamma; E) \\
 &\times (-1)i^2 \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dE_1}{2\pi} \int \frac{dE_2}{2\pi} \sum_{\lambda, \epsilon, \theta} \sum_{\zeta, \xi, \mu} \langle \gamma\lambda | V | \epsilon\theta \rangle \\
 &\times G^{(0)}(\epsilon, \zeta; E_1) G^{(0)}(\mu, \lambda; E_1 + E_2 - E) \\
 &\times G^{(0)}(\theta, \xi; E_2) \langle \zeta\xi | V | \delta\mu \rangle \\
 &\times G^{(0)}(\delta, \beta; E)
 \end{aligned}$$

Diagram organization

Sum of all diagrams can be written as



Introducing some self-energy diagrams

First order

$$\Rightarrow -i \sum_{\epsilon\theta} \langle \gamma\epsilon | V | \delta\theta \rangle \int_{C\uparrow} \frac{dE'}{2\pi} G^{(0)}(\theta, \epsilon; E')$$

One of the second order diagrams

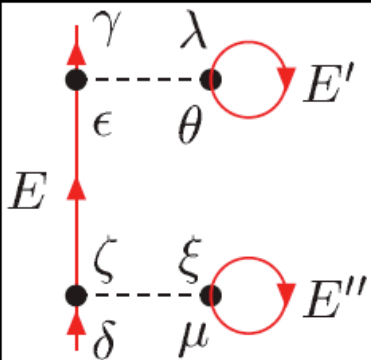
$$\Rightarrow (-1)i^2 \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dE_1}{2\pi} \int \frac{dE_2}{2\pi} \sum_{\lambda, \epsilon, \theta} \sum_{\zeta, \xi, \mu} \langle \gamma\lambda | V | \epsilon\theta \rangle$$

$$\times G^{(0)}(\epsilon, \zeta; E_1) G^{(0)}(\mu, \lambda; E_1 + E_2 - E)$$

$$\times G^{(0)}(\theta, \xi; E_2) \langle \zeta\xi | V | \delta\mu \rangle$$

The irreducible self-energy

The following self-energy diagram is reducible (previous two were irreducible), *i.e.* can be obtained from lower order self-energy terms by iterating with $G^{(0)}$



$$\Rightarrow (-1)^2 i^2 \sum_{\epsilon, \zeta} \sum_{\lambda, \theta} \int_{C \uparrow} \frac{dE'}{2\pi} \langle \gamma \lambda | V | \epsilon \theta \rangle G^{(0)}(\theta, \lambda; E') \times G^{(0)}(\epsilon, \zeta; E) \sum_{\xi, \mu} \int_{C \uparrow} \frac{dE''}{2\pi} \langle \zeta \xi | V | \delta \mu \rangle G^{(0)}(\mu, \xi; E'')$$

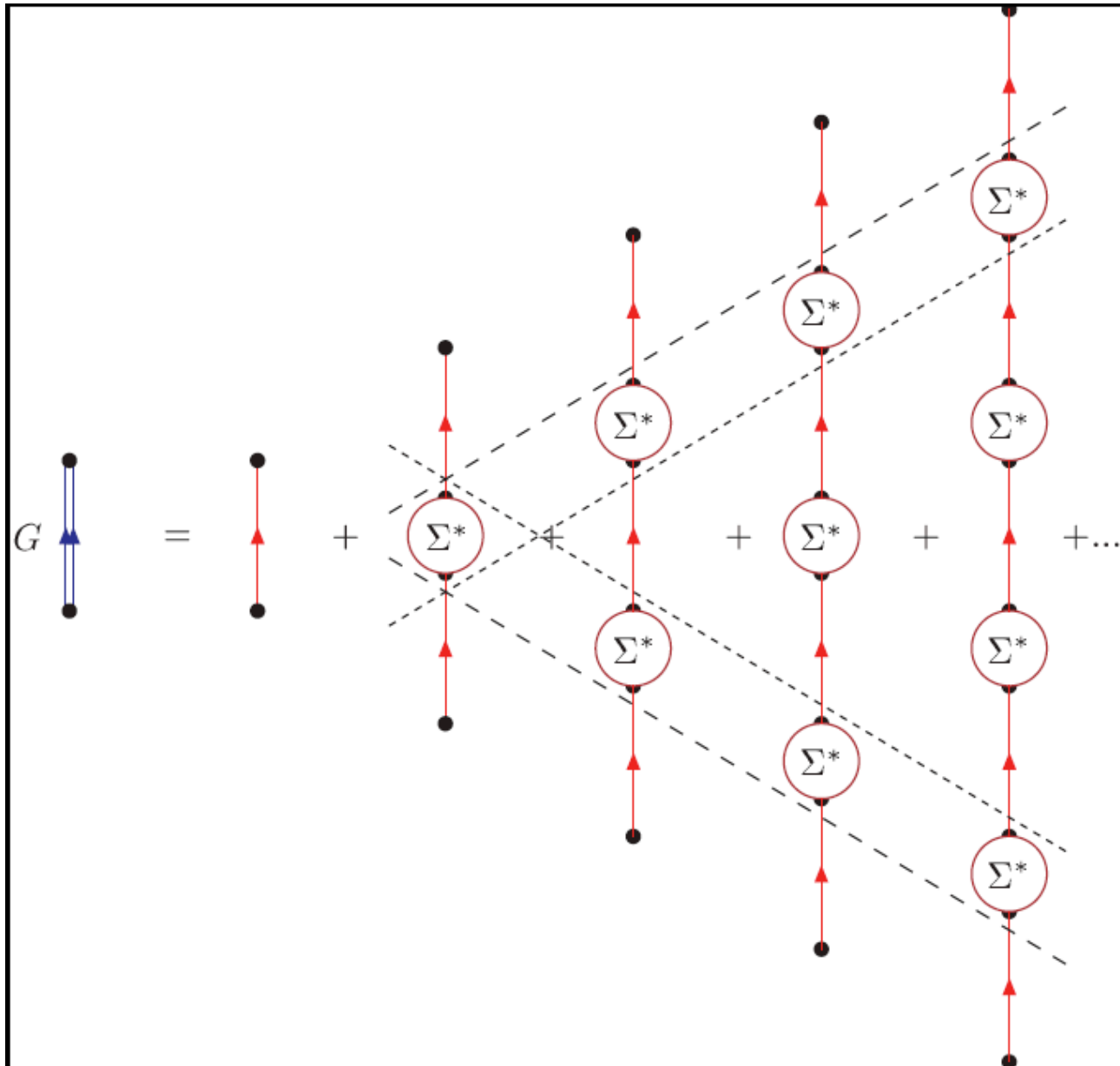
Sum of all irreducible diagrams is denoted by Σ^* .

All diagrams can then be obtained by summing

$$G(\alpha, \beta; E) = G^{(0)}(\alpha, \beta; E) + \sum_{\gamma, \delta} G^{(0)}(\alpha, \gamma; E) \Sigma^*(\gamma, \delta; E) G^{(0)}(\delta, \beta; E) + \dots$$

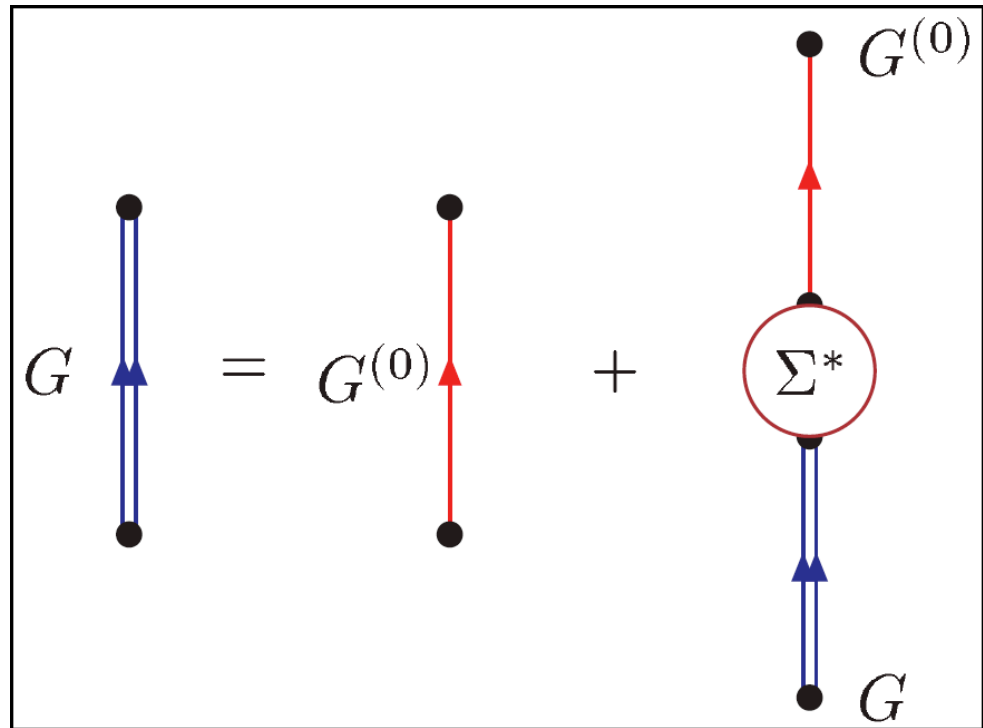
diagrammatically ...

Towards the Dyson equation



Can be summed by

Dyson equation



Looks like the propagator equation for a single particle

$$G(\alpha, \beta; E) = G^{(0)}(\alpha, \beta; E) + \sum_{\gamma, \delta} G^{(0)}(\alpha, \gamma; E) \Sigma^*(\gamma, \delta; E) G(\delta, \beta; E)$$

with the irreducible self-energy acting as the in-medium (complex) potential.

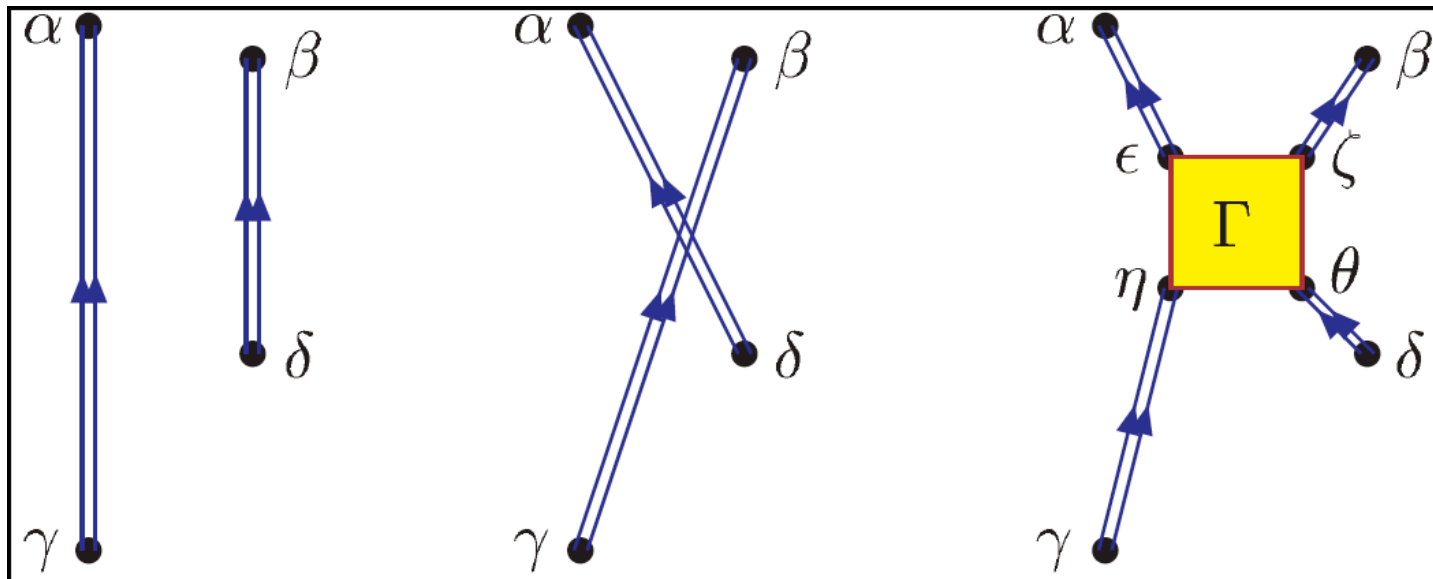
Link with two-particle propagator

Equation of motion for G

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} G(\alpha, \beta; t - t') = \delta(t - t') \delta_{\alpha, \beta} + \varepsilon_{\alpha} G(\alpha, \beta; t - t') - \sum_{\delta} \langle \alpha | U | \delta \rangle G(\delta, \beta; t - t')$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\delta \zeta \vartheta} \langle \alpha \delta | V | \vartheta \zeta \rangle \left\{ -\frac{i}{\hbar} \langle \Psi_0^N | T [a_{\delta_H}^+(t) a_{\zeta_H}(t) a_{\vartheta_H}(t) a_{\beta_H}^+(t')] | \Psi_0^N \rangle \right\}$$

Diagrammatic analysis of G^H yields



Γ is the effective interaction (vertex function) between correlated particles in the medium.

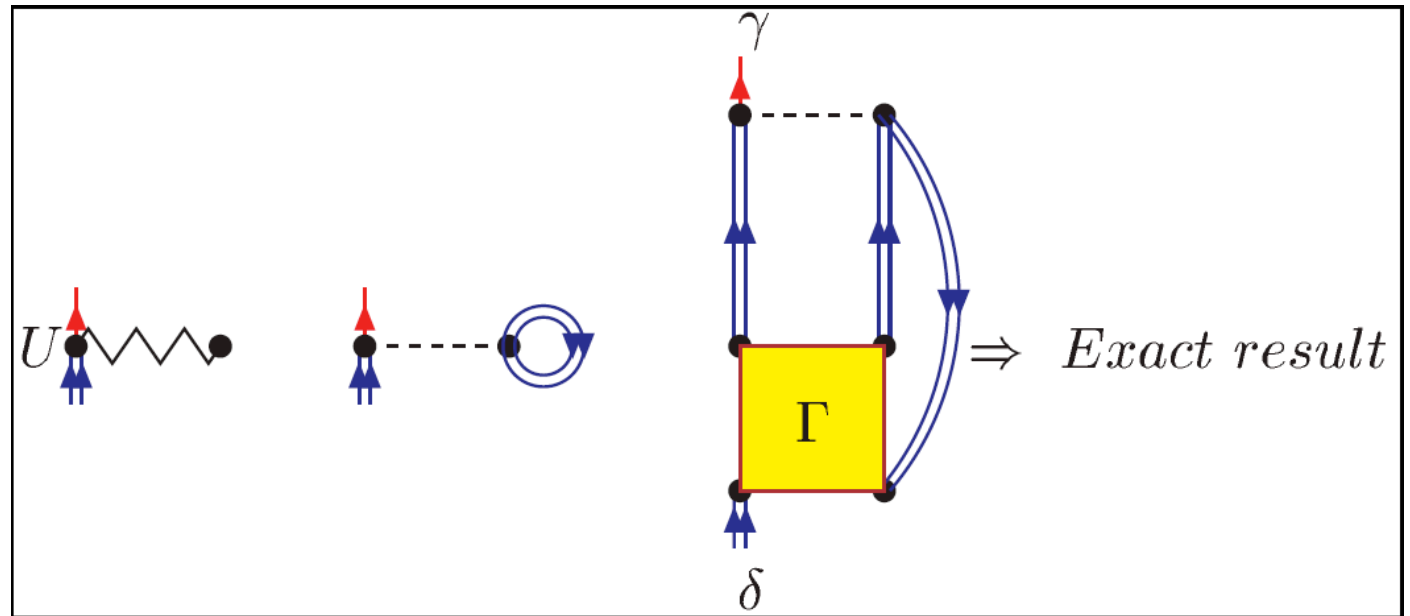
Dyson equation and vertex function

Fourier transform of equation of motion for G yields again the Dyson equation with the self-energy

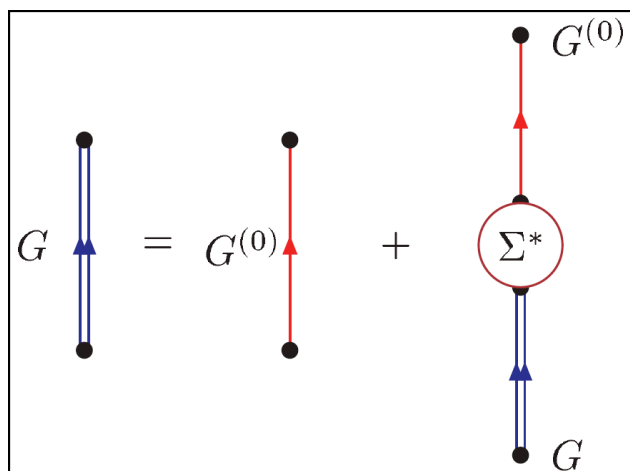
$$\Sigma^*(\gamma, \delta; E) = -\langle \gamma | U | \delta \rangle - i \int_{c\uparrow} \frac{dE'}{2\pi} \sum_{\mu\nu} \langle \gamma\mu | V | \delta\nu \rangle G(\nu, \mu; E')$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dE_1}{2\pi} \int \frac{dE_2}{2\pi} \sum_{\varepsilon\mu\nu\xi\rho\sigma} \langle \gamma\mu | V | \varepsilon\nu \rangle G(\varepsilon, \xi; E_1) G(\nu, \rho; E_2) G(\sigma, \mu; E_1 + E_2 - E) \langle \xi\rho | \Gamma(E_1, E_2; E) | \delta\sigma \rangle$$

In diagram form



Dyson Equation and “experiment”



Equivalent to!!

Schrödinger-like equation with: $E_n^- = E_0^N - E_n^{N-1}$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{2m} \langle \Psi_n^{N-1} | a_{\vec{r}m} | \Psi_0^N \rangle + \sum_{m'} \int d\vec{r}' \Sigma^{*}(\vec{r}m, \vec{r}'m'; E_n^-) \langle \Psi_n^{N-1} | a_{\vec{r}'m'} | \Psi_0^N \rangle = E_n^- \langle \Psi_n^{N-1} | a_{\vec{r}m} | \Psi_0^N \rangle$$

Self-energy: non-local, energy-dependent potential (no U)

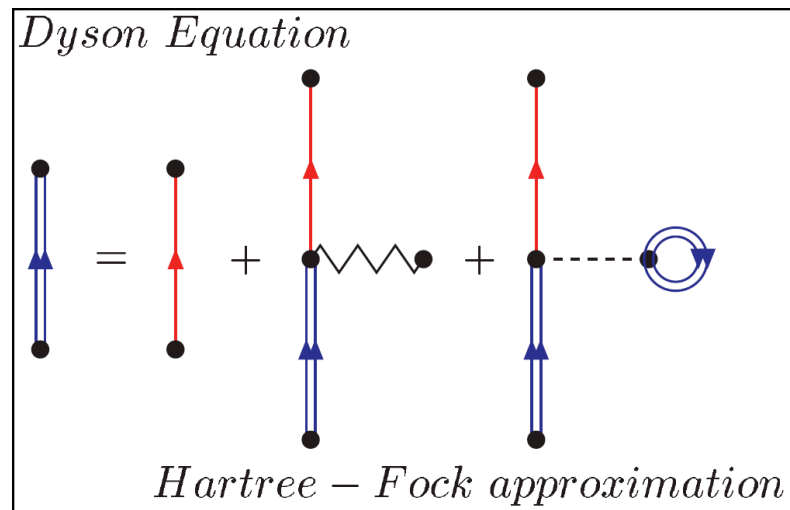
With energy dependence: spectroscopic factors < 1

$$S = \left| \langle \Psi_n^{N-1} | a_{\alpha_{qh}} | \Psi_0^N \rangle \right|^2 = \frac{1}{1 - \left. \frac{\partial \Sigma^{*}(\alpha_{qh}, \alpha_{qh}; E)}{\partial E} \right|_{E_n^-}} \quad \alpha_{qh} \text{ solution of DE at } E_n^-$$

Physics is in the choice of the approximation to the self-energy

Hartree-Fock

For weakly interacting particles: independent propagation dominates
 \Rightarrow neglect vertex function in self-energy



Democracy in action
 \Leftrightarrow self-consistency

$$\Sigma^{HF}(\gamma, \delta) = -\langle \gamma | U | \delta \rangle - i \int_{c \uparrow} \frac{dE'}{2\pi} \sum \langle \gamma \mu | V | \delta \nu \rangle G^{HF}(\nu, \mu; E')$$

No energy dependence \Rightarrow static mean field

Not a valid strategy for realistic NN interactions

With “effective” interactions can yield good quasihole wave functions

HF levels full or empty; spectroscopic factors 1 or 0 accordingly

HF for “closed”-shell atoms

		Removal energies		Total energy	
		HF	Exp.	HF	Exp.
He	1s	-0.918	-0.9040	-2.862	-2.904
Be	1s	-4.733	-4.100	-14.573	-14.667
	2s	-0.309	-0.343		
Ne	1s	-32.77	-31.70	-128.547	-128.928
	2s	-1.930	-1.782		
	2p	-0.850	-0.793		
Mg	1s	-49.03	-47.91	-199.615	-200.043
	2s	-3.768	-3.26		
	2p	-2.283	-1.81		
	3s	-0.253	-0.2811		
Ar	1s	-118.6	-117.87	-526.818	-527.549
	2s	-12.32	-12.00		
	2p	-9.571	-9.160		
	3s	-1.277	-1.075		
	3p	-0.591	-0.579		

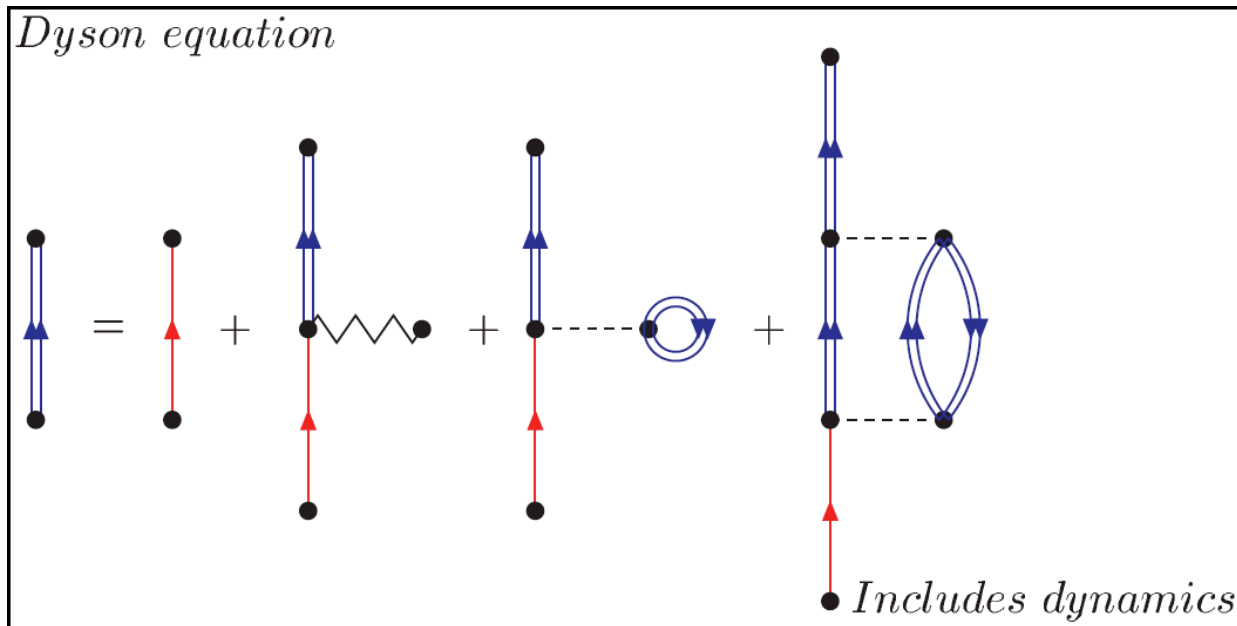
HF good starting point for atoms but total energy dominated by core electrons.

Description of valence electrons not good enough to do chemistry.

Spectroscopic factors not OK.
Wave functions ✓

Energies in atomic units (Hartree)

Beyond HF \Rightarrow dynamical self-energy



Approximate
vertex function by
 $\Gamma = V$

Use HF propagator to initiate self-consistent solution

$$\Sigma^{(2)}(\gamma, \delta; E) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \sum_{p_1 p_2 h_3} \frac{\langle \gamma h_3 | V | p_1 p_2 \rangle \langle p_1 p_2 | V | \delta h_3 \rangle}{E - (\epsilon_{p_1} + \epsilon_{p_2} - \epsilon_{h_3}) + i\eta} + \sum_{h_1 h_2 p_3} \frac{\langle \gamma p_3 | V | h_1 h_2 \rangle \langle h_1 h_2 | V | \delta p_3 \rangle}{E - (\epsilon_{h_1} + \epsilon_{h_2} - \epsilon_{p_3}) - i\eta} \right\}$$

Poles at $2p1h$ and $2h1p$ energies

Interesting consequences for solution of Dyson equation

Diagonal approximation

Further simplification: assume no mixing between major shells

$$\Sigma^{(2)}(\alpha; E) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \sum_{p_1 p_2 h_3} \frac{|\langle \alpha h_3 | V | p_1 p_2 \rangle|^2}{E - (\varepsilon_{p_1} + \varepsilon_{p_2} - \varepsilon_{h_3}) + i\eta} + \sum_{h_1 h_2 p_3} \frac{|\langle \alpha p_3 | V | h_1 h_2 \rangle|^2}{E - (\varepsilon_{h_1} + \varepsilon_{h_2} - \varepsilon_{p_3}) - i\eta} \right\}$$

Corresponding Dyson equation

$$G(\alpha; E) = G^{HF}(\alpha; E) + G(\alpha; E) \Sigma^{(2)}(\alpha; E) G^{HF}(\alpha; E) = \frac{1}{E - \varepsilon_\alpha - \Sigma^{(2)}(\alpha; E)}$$

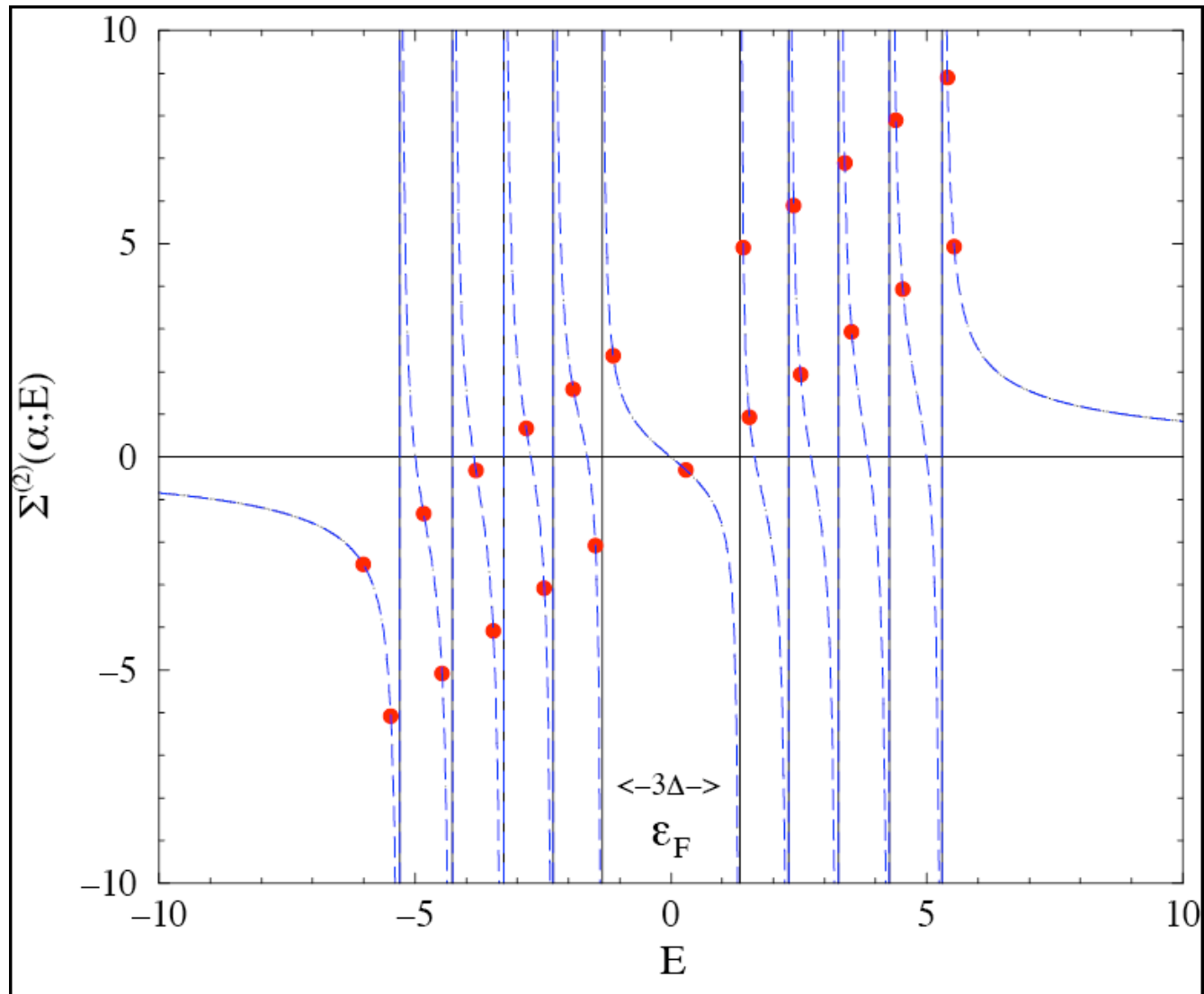
Assume discrete poles in Σ , then discrete solution (poles of G) for

$$E_{n\alpha} = \varepsilon_\alpha + \Sigma^{(2)}(\alpha; E_{n\alpha})$$

With residue (spectroscopic factor)

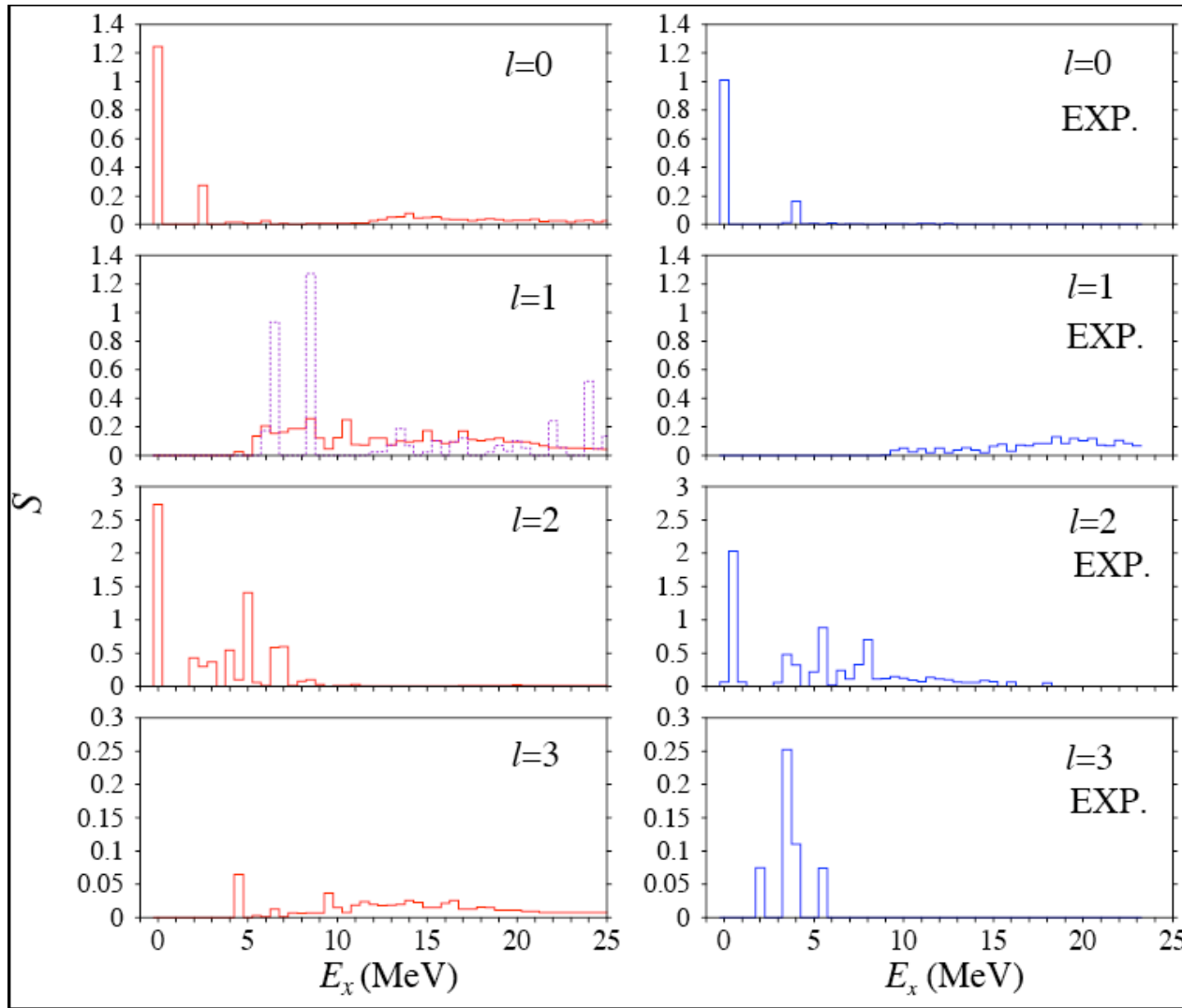
$$R_{n\alpha} = \frac{1}{1 - \left. \frac{\partial \Sigma^{(2)}(\alpha; E)}{\partial E} \right|_{E_{n\alpha}}}$$

Solutions



Explains all qualitative features of sp strength distribution in nuclei!

Self-consistent calculation with Skyrme force

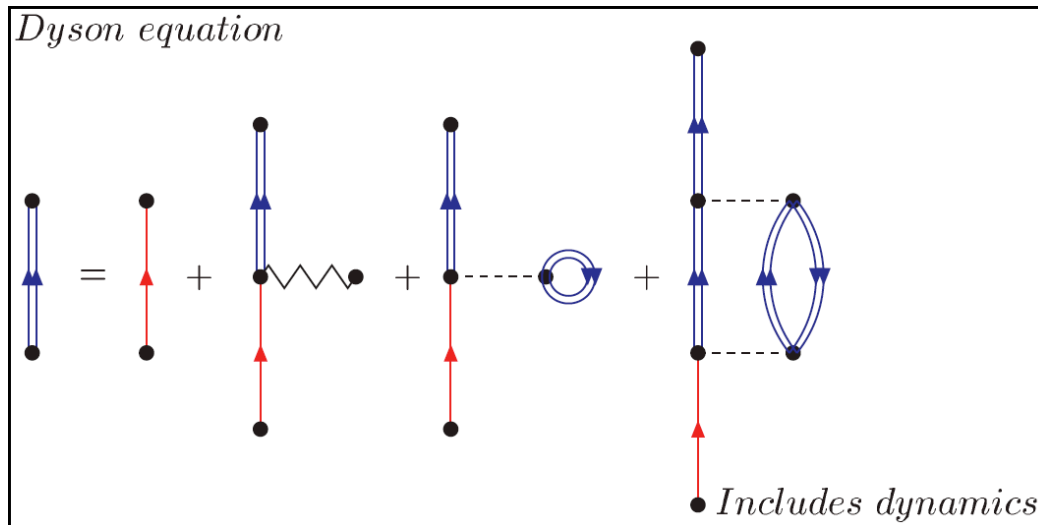


Data: $^{48}\text{Ca}(e, e'p)$
Kramer NIKHEF
(1990)

Qualitatively OK
No relation with
realistic V yet!

Van Neck *et al.* NPA530,347(1991)

Self-consistent Green's functions and the energy of the ground state of **atoms**



Dyson(2)

Van Neck, Peirs, Waroquier
J. Chem. Phys. **115**, 15 (2001)
Dahlen & von Barth
J. Chem. Phys. **120**, 6826 (2004)

Atoms : total ground state energies (a.u.)

<u>Method</u>	He	Be	Ne	Mg	Ar
DFT	-2.913	-14.671	-128.951	-200.093	-527.553
HF	-2.862	-14.573	-128.549	-199.617	-526.826
CI	-2.891	-14.617	-128.733	-199.635	-526.807
Dyson(2)	-2.899	-14.647	-128.939	-200.027	-527.511
Exp.	-2.904	-14.667	-128.928	-200.043	-527.549