Quantum Few-Body Theory

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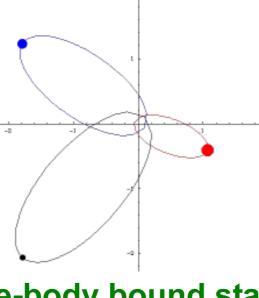


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Research Activities

Research activities of this group can be outlined as follows:

- Developing of new methods (based on the Jost-matrix approach) for locating quantum resonances
- Studying of the spectral properties of non-Hermitian Hamiltonians
- Developing of new methods for extracting the resonance parameters from experimental scattering data
- Studying of nuclear fusion reactions that may take place among the nuclei confined inside molecules
- Theoretical search for possible bound and resonant states of few-body hypernuclear systems (involving Lambda-particles)
- Application of the Jost-matrix method for the description of quantum states of the charge-carriers in low-dimensional semiconductor nano-structures



Three-body bound state

All these activities involve both the mathematical derivations and state-of-the-art numerical calculations (programming in Fortran).

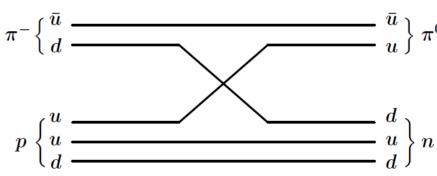
Collaboration

- International collaboration
 - Stockholm University (Sweden)
 - Joint Institute for Nuclear Research (Dubna, Russia)
 - St.-Petersburg University (Russia)
- Local collaboration
 - UNISA

Research Projects

Current research projects:

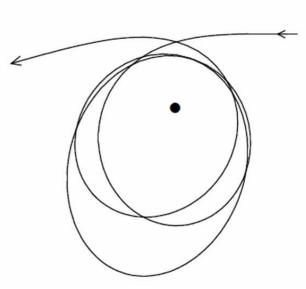
- Jost matrix expansions in theoretical analysis of collision experiments
- Power-series expansion of the 2D Jost matrix
- Resonances generated by non-Hermitian potentials



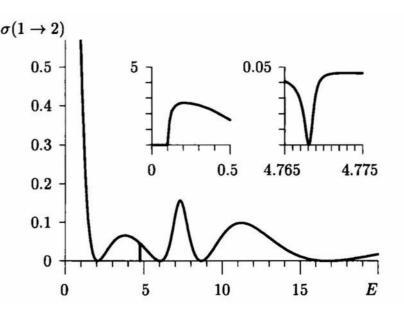
Quark rearrangements

Possible research projects for post graduate students:

- Dependence of the parameters of quantum resonances on the masses of the particles (BSc)
- Mutual transformation of the bound and resonant spectral points (Hon)
- ◆ Lambda-nucleus effective-range expansion (Hon)
- Power-series expansion in the complex plane of the angular momentum (MSc)
- Lambda-nucleus resonances (MSc)
- K-meson nucleus resonances (MSc)
- Low-energy scattering of the J/Ψ particle from light nuclei (MSc)
- Shift of the charge-carrier resonances in one-dimensional nano-structures due to the space-charge accumulation (PhD)
- the space-charge accumulation (PhD)
 Driven Schrödinger equation for twoand three-body problems (PhD)
- Jost function for two-dimensional problems (PhD)
- Stark-effect in one-dimensional semiconductor nano-structures (PhD)
- Nuclear fusion inside molecules (PhD)



Quantum Resonances



Computational Facilities

Multi-processor Linux-cluster

Funding

- ◆ NRF
- UP research grant
- South Africa—Sweden agreement

Recent Publications

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