



Few-body universality and halo nuclei

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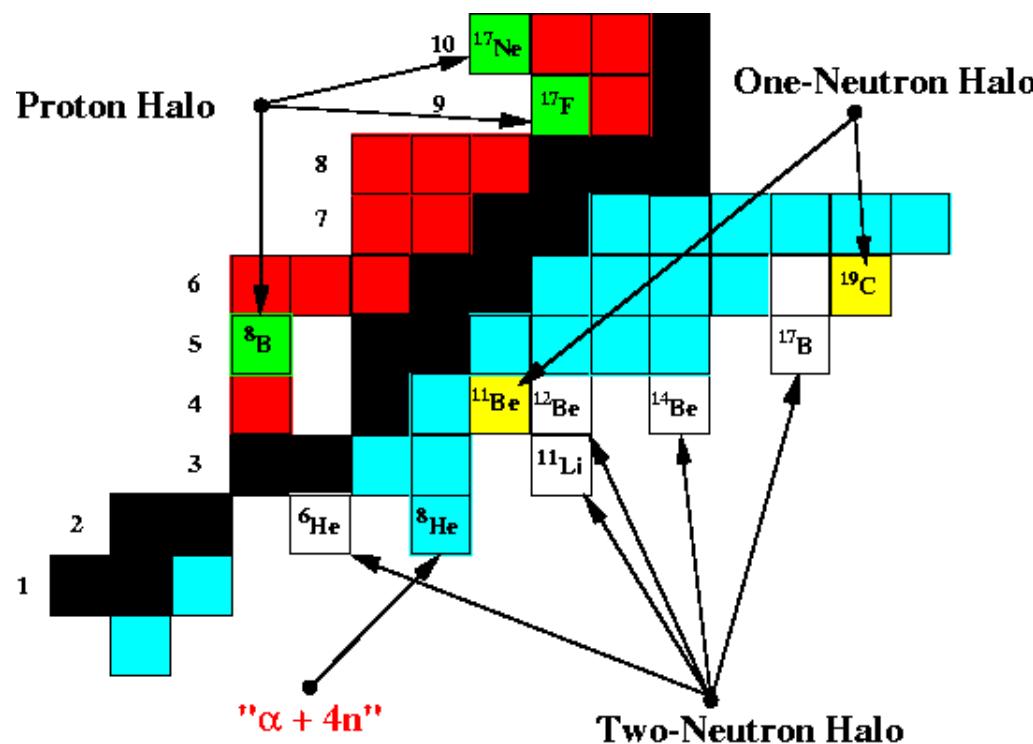
Outline

- Introduction
- Resonant Interactions and Universality
- Universality in Halo nuclei
 - Efimov Physics
 - Electromagnetic Properties
- Summary and Outlook

Halo Nuclei



- Low separation energy of valence nucleons: $B_{valence} \ll B_{core}, E_{ex}$
→ close to “nucleon drip line” → scale separation → EFT



$$E \sim p^2/(2\mu) \sim 1/(2\mu R^2)$$

<http://www.nupec.org>

- EFT for halo nuclei

(Bertulani, HWH, van Kolck, 2002; Bedaque, HWH, van Kolck, 2003; ...)

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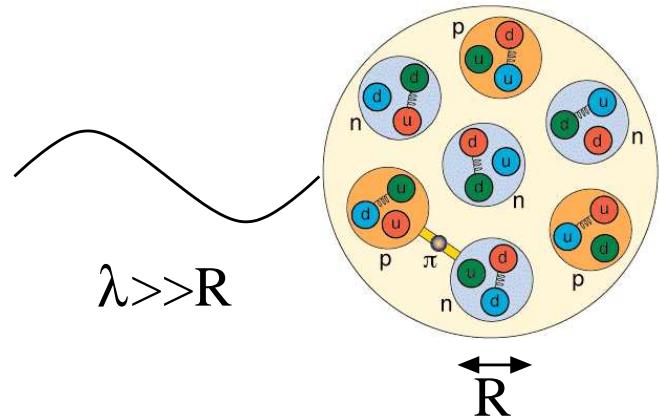


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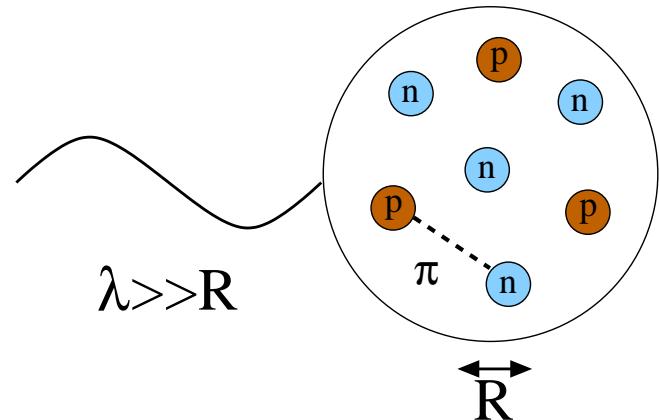
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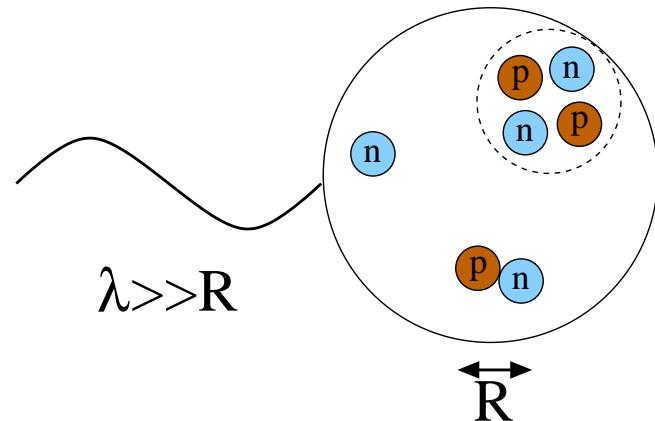
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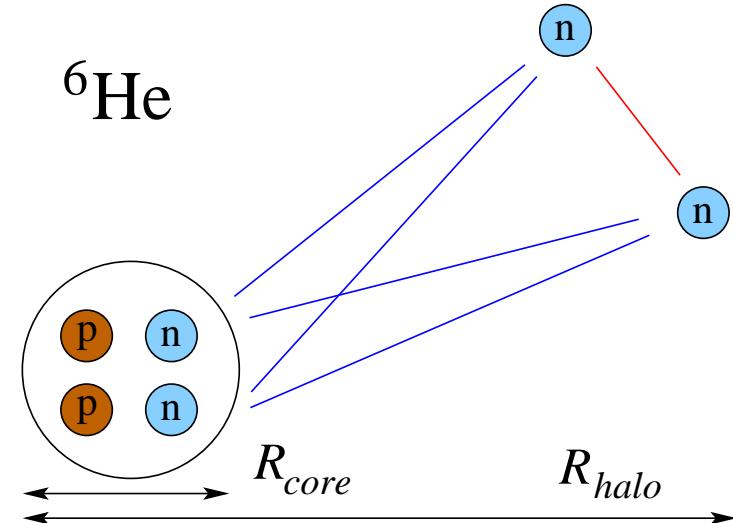
- Very low energies: only short-range physics \implies pionless EFT

- Exploit cluster substructures \implies Halo EFT



- Pionless EFT with explicit cluster degrees of freedom
- Scales: $R_{halo} \gg R_{core}$
- Antisymmetrization with respect to neutrons in core?
- Core neutrons not active dof in halo EFT
- Physics: exchange only contributes to observables if there is significant overlap between wave functions of core and halo nucleon

$$\implies \text{small for } R_{core} \ll R_{halo}$$



- Effects subsumed in low-energy constants, included perturbatively in expansion in R_{core}/R_{halo}

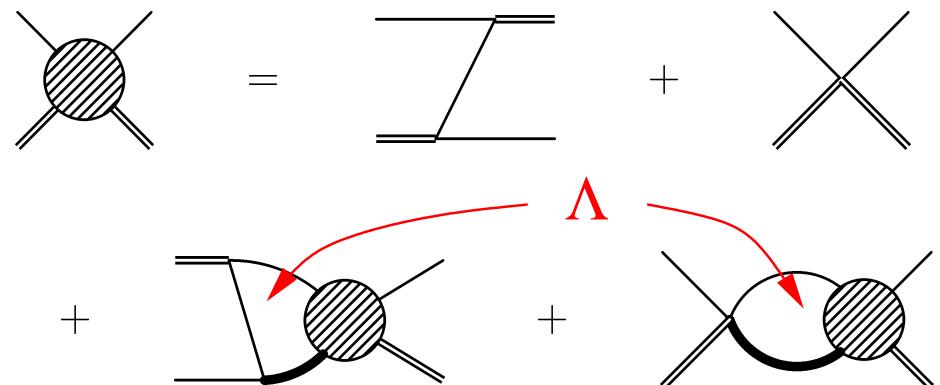
- Exploit scale separation from shallow states: $B \sim 0 \Leftrightarrow 1/a \sim 0$
- Here: discuss S -wave case, higher L can be included
- Effective Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{eff} = \text{---} + \text{---} + \text{---} \text{---} + \dots$$

- 2-body amplitude: $\text{---} = \text{---} + \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} + \dots$
- 2-body coupling g_2 near fixed point: $1/a = 0 \Leftrightarrow$ **unitary limit**

- 3-body amplitude:

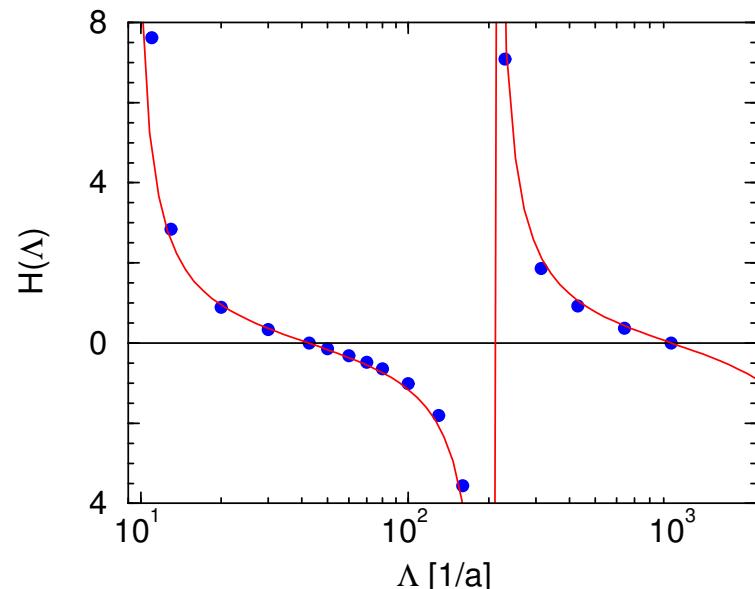
$g_3(\Lambda) \Rightarrow$ **limit cycle**
 \Rightarrow **discrete scale inv.**



Limit Cycle



- RG invariance \implies running coupling $H(\Lambda) = g_3 \Lambda^2 / (9g_2^2)$
- $H(\Lambda)$ periodic: limit cycle
 - $\Lambda \rightarrow \Lambda e^{n\pi/s_0} \approx \Lambda (22.7)^n$
 - (cf. Wilson, 1971)
- Anomaly: scale invariance broken to discrete subgroup



$$H(\Lambda) \approx \frac{\cos(s_0 \ln(\Lambda/\Lambda_*) + \arctan(s_0))}{\cos(s_0 \ln(\Lambda/\Lambda_*) - \arctan(s_0))}, \quad s_0 \approx 1.00624$$

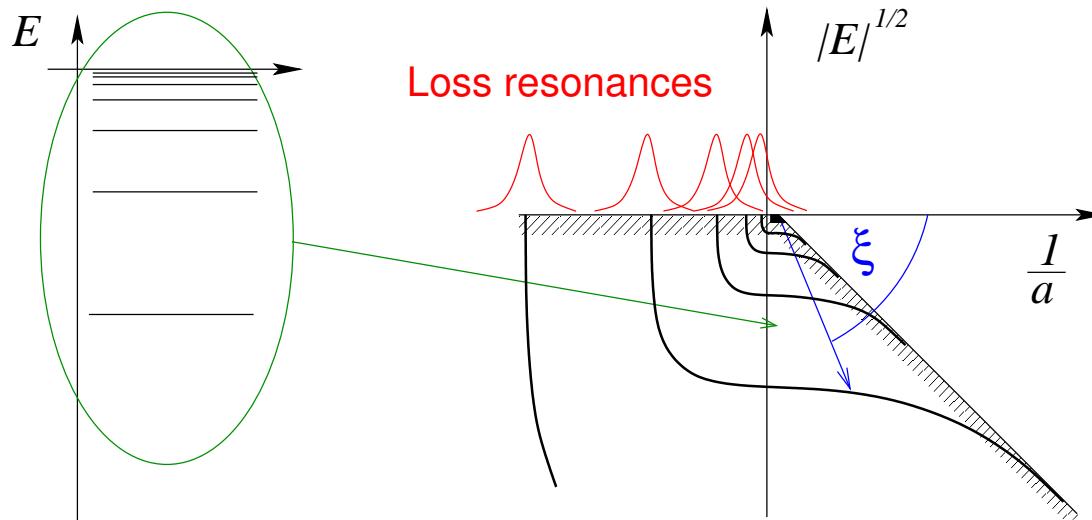
(Bedaque, HWH, van Kolck, 1999)

- Limit cycle \iff Discrete scale invariance
- Observable Consequences? \implies Efimov effect, log-periodic behavior, universal correlations, ...

Limit Cycle: Efimov Effect



- Universal spectrum of three-body states (Efimov, 1970)



- Discrete scale invariance for fixed angle ξ
- Geometrical spectrum for $1/a \rightarrow 0$

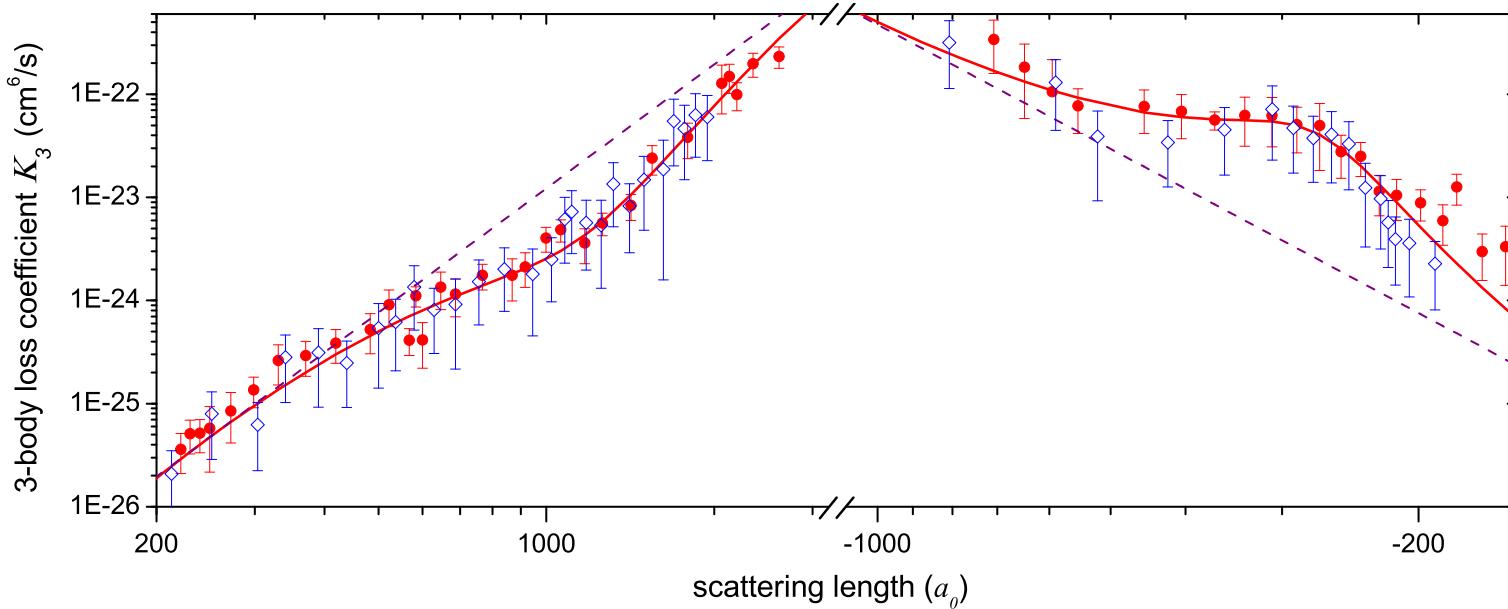
$$B_3^{(n)} / B_3^{(n+1)} \xrightarrow{1/a \rightarrow 0} \left(e^{\pi/s_0} \right)^2 = 515.035\dots$$

- Ultracold atoms \implies variable scattering length \implies loss resonances \implies drive RF transitions



Efimov States in Ultracold Atoms

- First experimental evidence in ^{133}Cs (Krämer et al. (Innsbruck), 2006)
now also ^6Li , ^7Li , ^{39}K , $^{41}\text{K}/^{87}\text{Rb}$, $^6\text{Li}/^{133}\text{Cs}$
- Example: Efimov spectrum in ^7Li ($|m_F = 0\rangle$, $|m_F = 1\rangle$)
(Gross et al. (Bar-Ilan Univ.), Phys. Rev. Lett. **105** (2010) 103203)

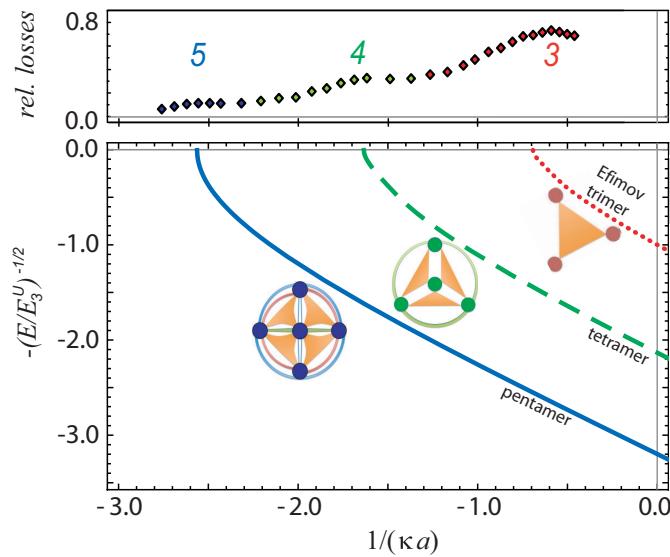
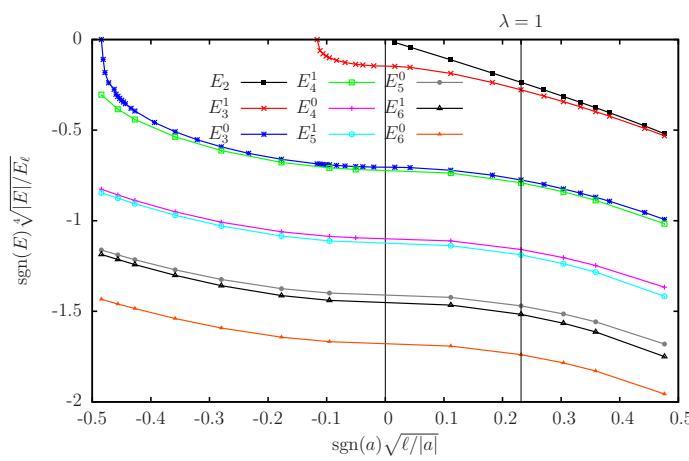


- Van der Waals tail determines $\Lambda_* \Rightarrow a_- / l_{vdW} \approx -10 (\pm 15\%)$
(Wang et al., 2012; Naidon et al., 2012, 2014; ...)
... but not width parameter η_* ...



Universal Tetramers and Beyond

- No four-body force required at LO (Platter, HWH, Mei  ner, 2004)
- Universal tetramers: $B_4^{(0)} = 4.610(1) B_3$, $B_4^{(1)} = 1.00227(1) B_3$
(Platter, HWH, 2007; von Stecher et al., 2009; Deltuva 2010-2013)
- Universal states up to $N = 16$ calculated
(von Stecher, 2010, 2011; Gattobigio, Kievsky, Viviani, 2011-2014)
- Observation up to $N = 5$ in Cs losses (Grimm et al. (Innsbruck), 2009, 2013)



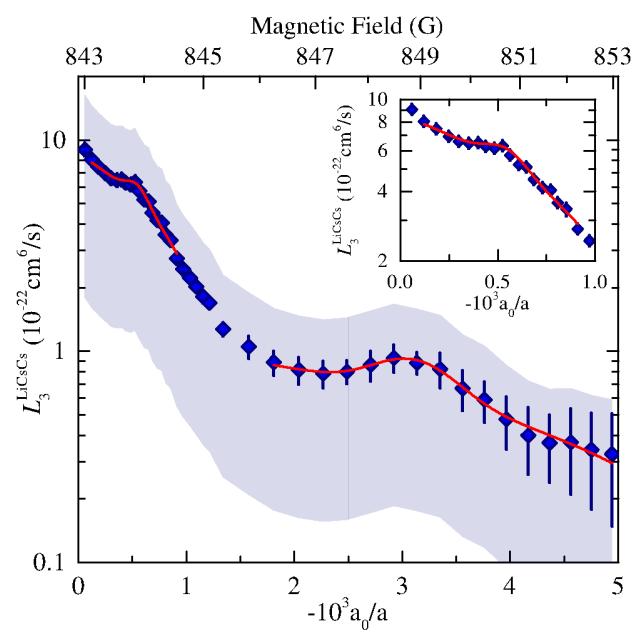
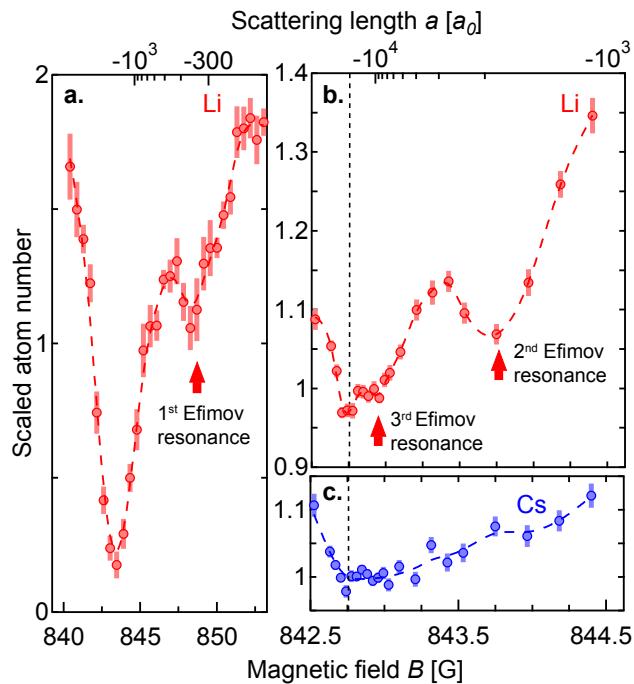
Efimov Physics in Mixtures



- Scaling factor can be significantly reduced in mixtures
- Example: Efimov spectrum in ${}^6\text{Li}/{}^{133}\text{Cs}$ mixture ($\lambda_0 \approx 4.9$)

Tung et al. (Chicago), PRL113, 240402 ('14)

Pires et al. (Heidelberg), PRL112, 250404 ('14)



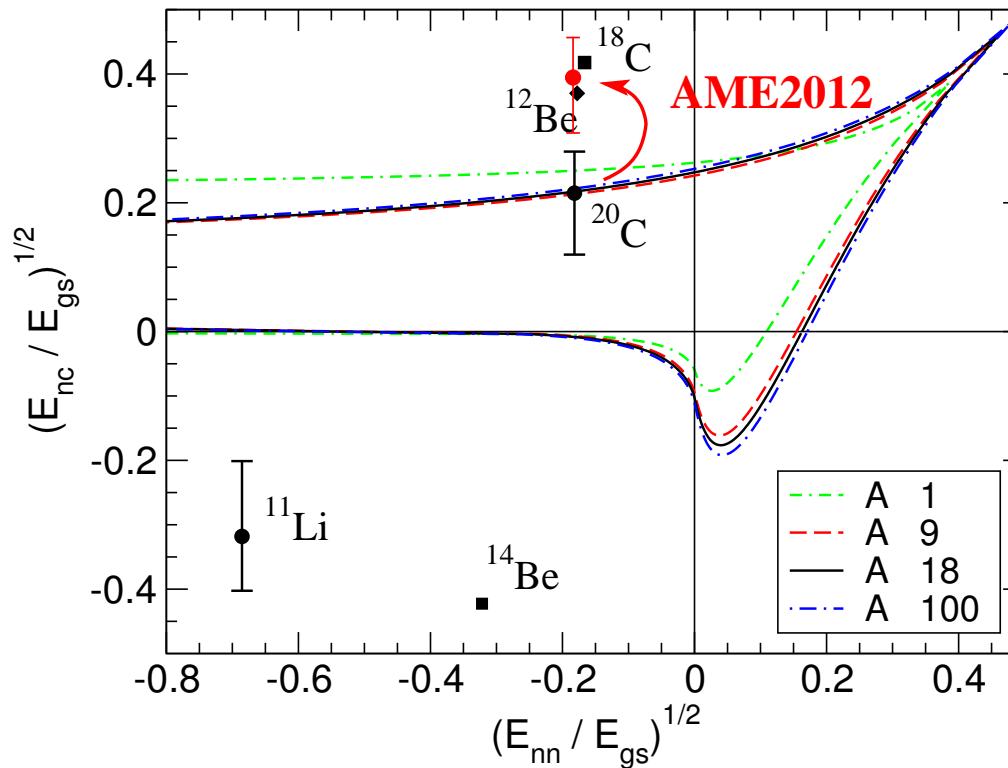
- Spectrum of universal states for $N > 3$
(Blume, Yang, 2014; Schmickler, HWH, Hiyama, in progress)

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- Efimov effect in halo nuclei? (Fedorov, Jensen, Riisager, 1994)
⇒ excited states obeying scaling relations
- Correlation plot: $E_{nn} \leftrightarrow E_{nc}$ (Amorim, Frederico, Tomio, 1997)

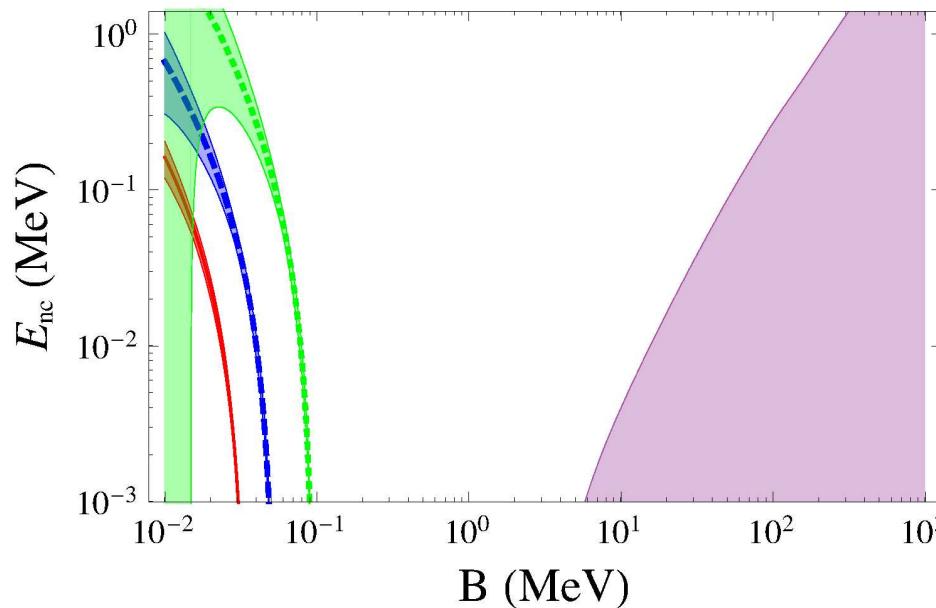


Canham, HWH, Eur. Phys. J. A **37** (2008) 367

Efimov Physics in ^{22}C



- Matter radius from $^{22}\text{C} + \text{p}$ & Glauber: $\langle r_0^2 \rangle^{1/2} = 5.4(9) \text{ fm}$
(Tanaka et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **104** (2010) 062701)
- Halo EFT analysis of impact on other observables in ^{22}C
(Acharya, Ji, Phillips, Phys. Lett. B **723** (2013) 196)



Plots for $\langle r_0^2 \rangle^{1/2} = 4.5, 5.4, 6.3 \text{ fm}$

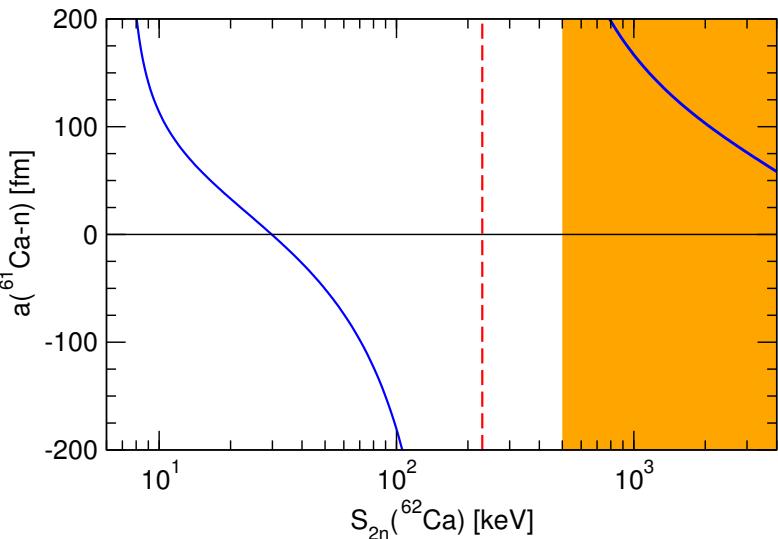
- Excited Efimov states in ^{22}C appear to be ruled out

Efimov Physics in ^{62}Ca



(G. Hagen, P. Hagen, HWH, Platter, Phys. Rev. Lett. **111** (2013) 132501)

- The Many and the Few: emergence of halo degrees of freedom
- Coupled cluster calculations of ^{60}Ca and ^{61}Ca using chiral N2LO two-body force and schematic three-body force:
 $\Rightarrow {}^{61}\text{Ca}$ is a weakly bound S-wave state (or virtual state)



- Prospects for excited Efimov states in ^{62}Ca :
 $S_{\text{deep}} = 1/(\mu_{cn} r_{cn}^2) \approx 500 \text{ keV}$
scaling factor $\lambda_0 \approx 16$
 \Rightarrow possible if $S_{2n} \gtrsim 230 \text{ keV}$

Production of Excited Efimov States



- How to study excited Efimov states experimentally?
(A. Macchiavelli, Few-Body Syst. **56**, 773 (2015))
- Consider transfer reactions for candidate nucleus ${}^A Z_N$
 - (a) One-neutron transfer: ${}^{(A-1)} Z_{(N-1)}(d, p) {}^A Z_N$
 - (b) Two-neutron transfer: ${}^{(A-2)} Z_{(N-2)}(t, p) {}^A Z_N$
 - (c) Inelastic scattering: ${}^A Z_N(X, X') {}^A Z_N$
- Back-of-the-envelope estimate:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{ex}}{d\sigma_{gs}} = \frac{S_{ex}}{S_{gs}} \frac{\sigma_{ex,0}}{\sigma_{gs,0}}$$

- ⇒ suggests (a) is most promising
- Reaction calculation in Halo EFT would be useful

Electromagnetic Properties



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Electromagnetic Structure of ^{11}Be

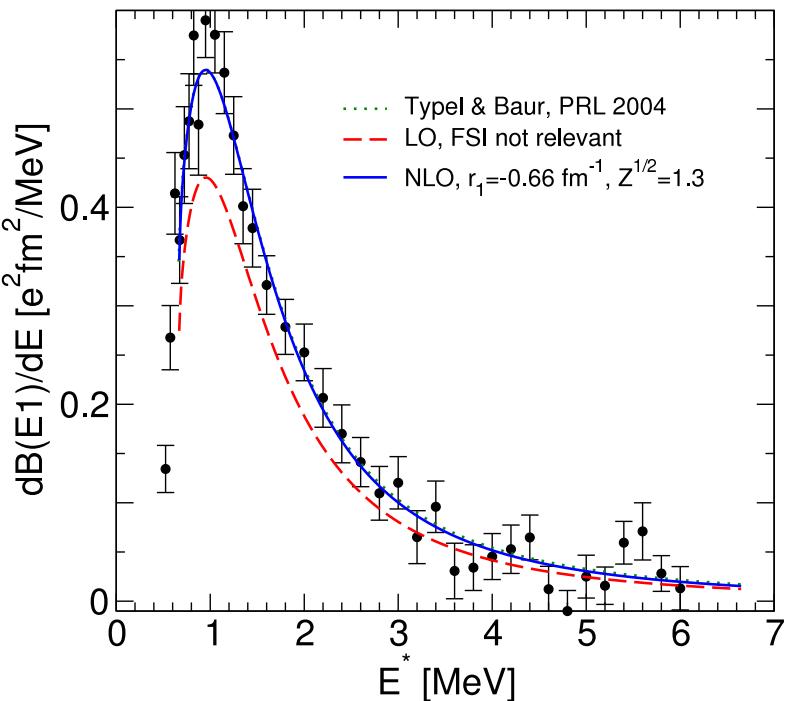
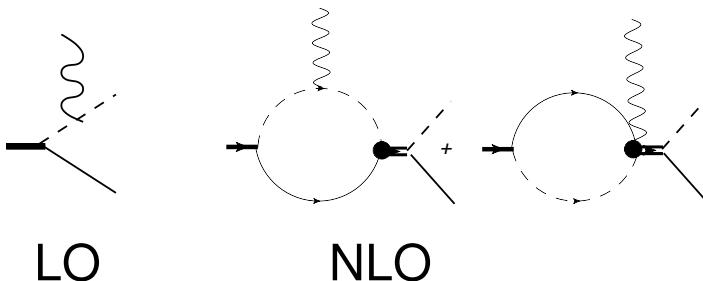


- Coupling to photons straightforward
 - Covariant derivative: $\partial_\mu \rightarrow \partial_\mu + ie \hat{Q} A_\mu$
 - Contact terms (separately gauge invariant)
 - Properties of ^{11}Be
 - ^{11}Be ground state: $J^P = 1/2^+$, $S_n = 504$ keV
 - ^{11}Be excited state: $J^P = 1/2^-$, $S_n = 184$ keV
 - Properties of ^{10}Be core
 - ^{10}Be ground state: $J^P = 0^+$
 - ^{10}Be first excitation: 3.4 MeV above g.s.
 - Separation of scales: $E_{lo}/E_{hi} \approx \frac{0.5}{3.5} = \frac{1}{7} \Rightarrow R_{core}/R_{halo} \approx 0.4$
- ⇒ one neutron halo picture for ^{11}Be appropriate
- EM properties in halo EFT: form factors, radii,...

Coulomb Dissociation of ^{11}Be



- Transition to the continuum:



- Reasonable convergence
 - At LO: impulse approximation
 - At NLO: FSI from excited state
- $$r_1 = -0.66 \text{ fm}^{-1} \quad [B(E1)]$$
- $$\sqrt{Z_\sigma} = 1.3 \quad \Rightarrow \quad r_0 = 2.7 \text{ fm}$$
- Detector resolution folded in

Data: Palit et al., PRC **68** (2003) 034318

Calculation: HWH, Phillips, NPA **865** (2011) 17



Universal Correlations

- EFT gives correlations between different observables
- Example: $B(E1)$ for S-to-P transition and radius of $^{11}\text{Be}^*$

$$B(E1) = \frac{2e^2 Q_c^2}{15\pi} \left(\langle r_c^2 \rangle_{^{11}\text{Be}^*} - \langle r_c^2 \rangle_{^{10}\text{Be}} \right) x \left[\frac{1 + 2x}{(1 + x)^2} \right]^2 + \dots ,$$

where $x = \sqrt{B_1/B_0}$

- Adapt strategy to experimental situation
- $^{11}\text{Be}^*$ radius relative to ^{10}Be core from $B(E1)$

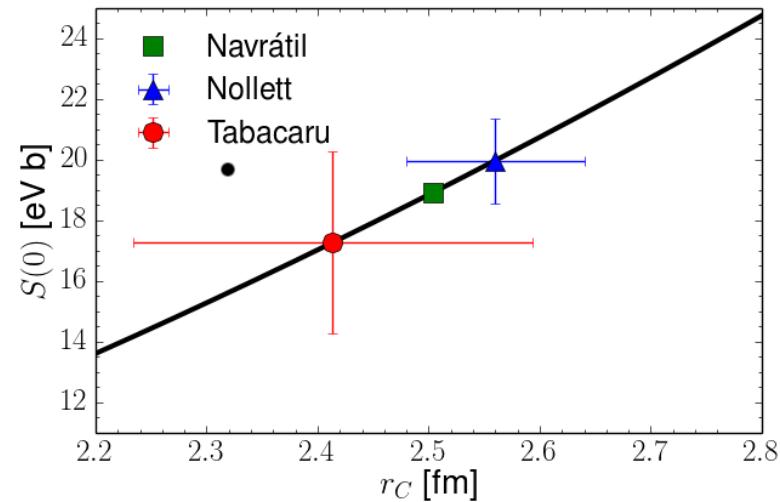
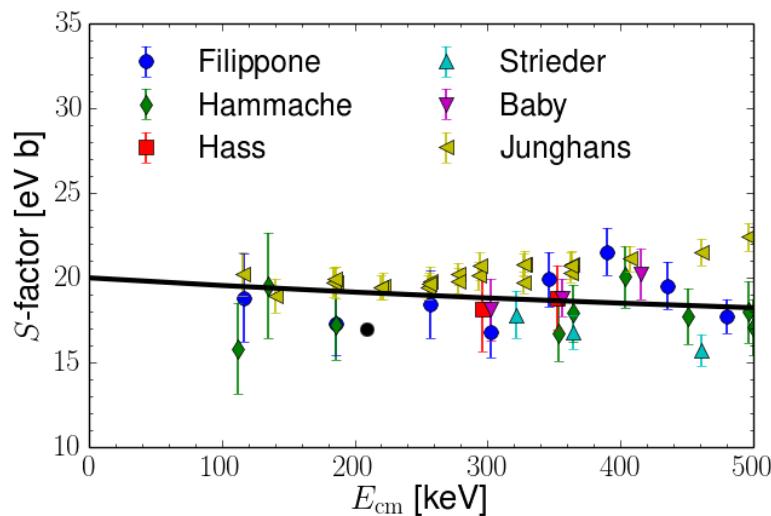
$$\langle r_c^2 \rangle_{^{11}\text{Be}^*} - \langle r_c^2 \rangle_{^{10}\text{Be}} = 0.35...0.39 \text{ fm}^2$$

Universality: can be applied to any one-neutron halo nucleus with shallow S- and/or P-Wave State



More Universal Correlations

- Radiative proton capture on ${}^7\text{Be}$ determines high-energy part of solar neutrino spectrum
- EFT calculation of S-factor using ab initio ANC's
(Zhang, Nollett, Phillips, 2014, 2015)
- S-factor for proton capture on ${}^7\text{Be}$ and charge radius of ${}^8\text{B}$ are correlated

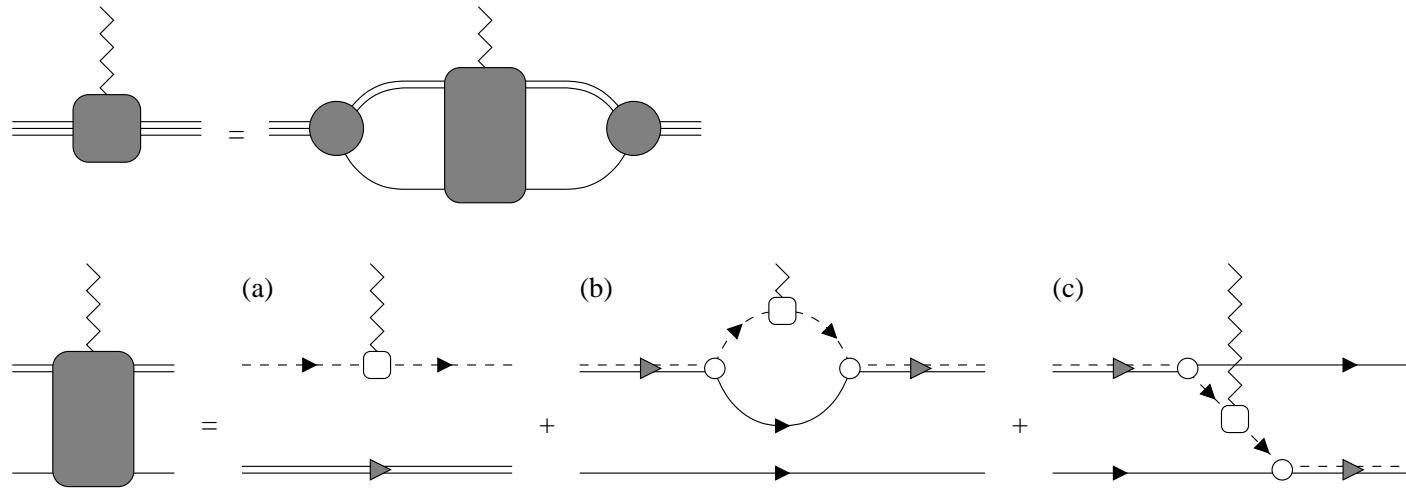


Ryberg, Forssen, HWH, Platter, Eur. Phys. J. A **50** (2014) 170

Charge Form Factors



- Charge form factor of $2n$ halo nuclei (Hagen, HWH, Platter, EPJA **49**, 118 ('13))



$$i\bar{\Gamma}(P, K) = (-i\mathcal{Z}e) \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \bar{G}(P, p) \bar{\Gamma}^{red}(P; K, p, k) \bar{G}(K, k)$$

- Charge form factor $\mathcal{F}_E(\mathbf{Q}^2)$ from $\bar{\Gamma}(P, K)$ in Breit frame
- Implementation using trimer auxilliary field
- Renormalization and current conservation explicitly verified



Charge Radii

c	$E_c^* \text{ [MeV]}$	$B_{c-n} \text{ [MeV]}$	$\delta \langle r_E^2 \rangle \text{ [fm}^2]$	$\delta \langle r_E^2 \rangle_{\text{exp}} \text{ [fm}^2]$
cn	$\frac{B_{cn}}{E_c^*}$	$\frac{B_{cn}}{B_{c-n}}$		
cnn	$\frac{B_{cnn}}{E_c^*}$	$\frac{B_{cnn}}{B_{c-n}}$		
${}^9\text{Li}$	2.69	4.06		
${}^{10}\text{Li}$	-0.10^2	-0.08^2	unbound	
${}^{11}\text{Li}$	0.37^2	0.30^2	$1.68(62)$	$1.171(120) \text{ [2]}$
${}^{20}\text{C}$	1.59 [1]	$2.9(3)$		
${}^{21}\text{C}$	-0.09^2	-0.07^2	unbound	
${}^{22}\text{C}$	0.26^2	0.20^2	$1.66^{+??}_{-0.49}$	—

[1] M. Stanoiu et al., Phys. Rev. C **78**, 034315 (2008),

[2] R. Sánchez et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **96**, 033002 (2006).

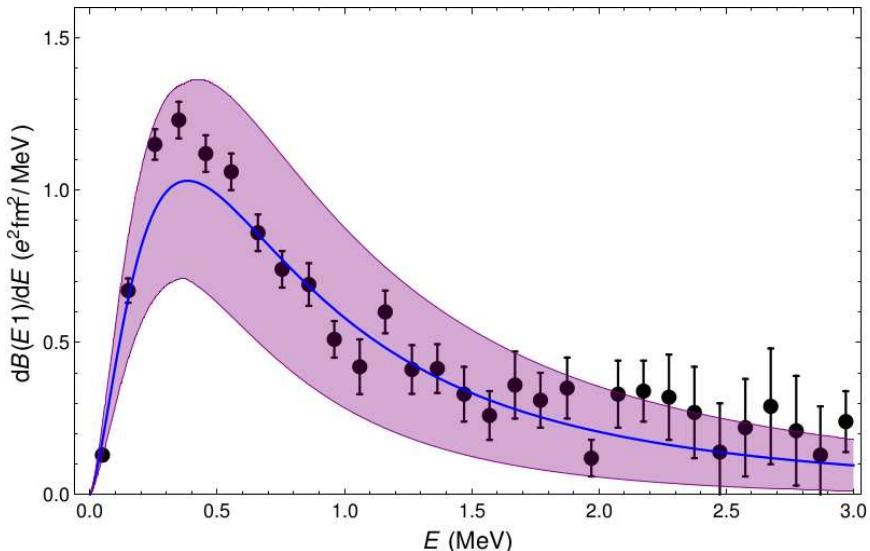
all other data from NNDC

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Coulomb Dissociation of $2n$ Halos

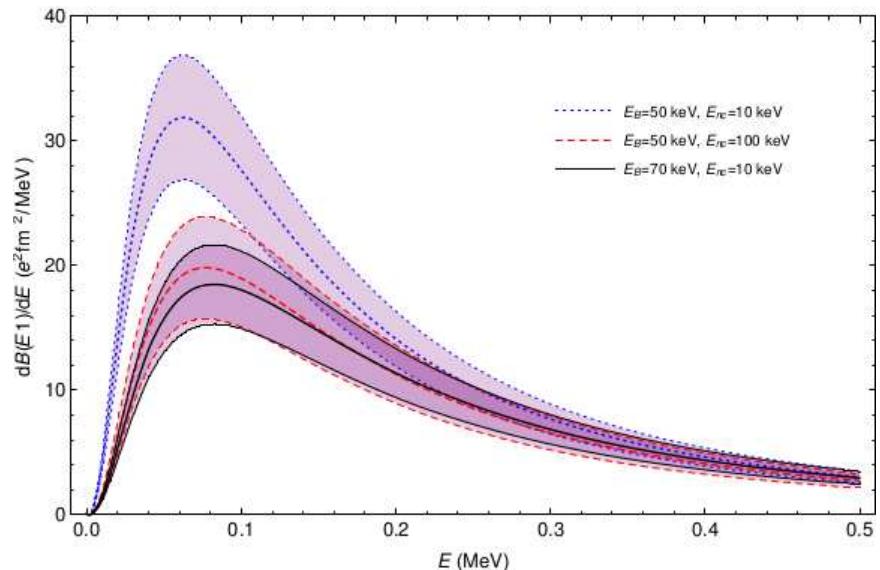
- Preliminary results for $B(E1)$ strength distribution
- LO Halo EFT with FSI included (no P-wave resonance in ${}^9\text{Li}-n$)



${}^{11}\text{Li}$

(Acharya, Hagen, HWH, Phillips, in preparation)

- Data for ${}^{11}\text{Li}$: Nakamura et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **96**, 252502 (2006)



${}^{22}\text{C}$



Summary and Outlook

- Cluster EFT for halo nuclei
 - ⇒ large scattering length/shallow states
 - Controlled, systematic approach
 - Straightforward inclusion of external currents
- Universal theory has many applications
 - ultracold atoms
 - light nuclei, halo nuclei ⇒ Halo EFT
 - hadronic molecules
- Universality predicts correlations between observables
 - ⇒ input from theory or experiment
 - ⇒ combine with ab initio approaches
- Reactions with photons
- Proton halos and Coulomb interaction
- Manifestation of Efimov physics in halo nuclei?