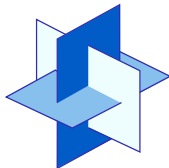


The Electronic Schrödinger equation, CI and QCDMRG method

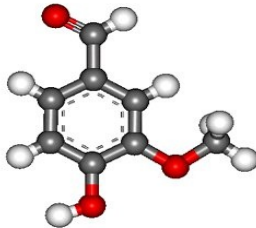
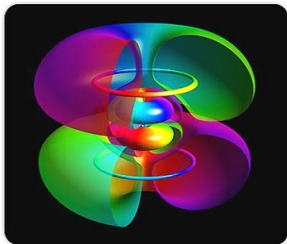
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Introduction

Electronic Schrödinger Equation

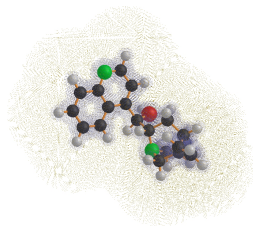


Electronic Schrödinger equation

N nonrelativistic electrons +

Born Oppenheimer approximation

$$H\Psi = E\Psi$$



The Hamilton operator in atomic units

$$H = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_i \Delta_i - \sum_i \sum_{\nu=1}^K \frac{Z_\nu}{|x_i - a_\nu|} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j}^N \frac{1}{|x_i - x_j|}$$

acts on *anti-symmetric* wave functions (Pauli principle)

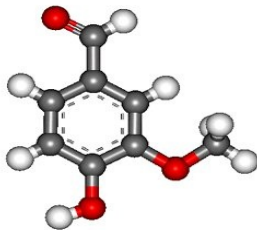
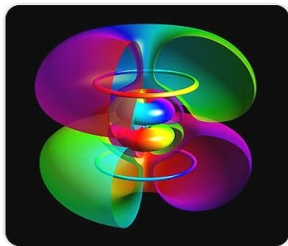
$$\Psi(x_1, s_1, \dots, x_N, s_N) \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \mathbf{x}_i = (x_i, s_i) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \times \{\pm \frac{1}{2}\},$$

$$\Psi(\dots; x_i, s_i; \dots; x_j, s_j; \dots) = -\Psi(\dots; x_j, s_j; \dots; x_i, s_i; \dots)$$

We are mainly interested in the **ground state energy**

$$E_0 = \min\{\langle H\Psi, \Psi \rangle : \Psi \in \mathcal{V}, \langle \Psi, \Psi \rangle = 1\}$$

Slater determinants and Full CI method



Anti-symmetric tensor products - Slater determinants

Approximation by sums of anti-symmetric **tensor products**:

$$\Psi = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} c_k \Psi_k$$

$$\Psi_k(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{s}_1; \dots; \mathbf{x}_{N'}, \mathbf{s}_{N'}) = \varphi_{1,k} \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi_{N',k} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N'!}} \det(\varphi_{i,k}(\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{s}_j))$$

with $\varphi_{i,k} \in \{\varphi_j : j = 1, \dots\}$, w.l.o. generality

$$\langle \varphi_i, \varphi_j \rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{s}=\pm\frac{1}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \varphi_i(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s}) \overline{\varphi_j(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s})} d\mathbf{x} = \delta_{i,j} .$$

A **Slater determinant**: Ψ_k is an (anti-symmetric) product of N' orthonormal functions φ_i , called **spin orbital functions**

$$\varphi_i : \mathbb{R}^3 \times \{\pm\frac{1}{2}\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad i = 1, \dots, N,$$

For present applications it is sufficient to consider real valued functions Ψ, φ .

Slate Condon Rules revisited

Single and two particle operators

Abbreviations:

$$\text{a) Single particle operators } A = h = \sum_{i=1}^{N'} h_i = \sum_{i=1}^{N'} \left(\frac{1}{2} \Delta_i + \sum_{j=1}^M \frac{-Z_j}{|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{R}_j|} \right) = \sum_{i=1}^{N'} \left(\frac{1}{2} \Delta_i + V_{\text{core}}(\mathbf{x}_i) \right), h_i = h_j,$$

$$\langle i|h|j \rangle := \langle \varphi_i, h_j \varphi_j \rangle$$

$$\text{a) Two particle operators } G = \sum_i^{N'} \sum_{j>i}^{N'} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j|}, H = h + G$$

$$\langle a, b|i, j \rangle := \sum_{s, s' = \pm \frac{1}{2}} \int \int \frac{\varphi_a^*(\mathbf{x}, s) \varphi_b^*(\mathbf{x}', s') \varphi_i(\mathbf{x}, s) \varphi_j(\mathbf{x}', s')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{x}'$$

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Slater-Condon Rules

Single particle operators: $\Psi^1 = \Psi_{SL} = \Psi[\dots, \nu_i, \nu_j, \dots]$

| | | |
|------------------------------------|---|--|
| 1) $\Psi^1 = \Psi^2 =: \Psi$ | $\Psi^1 = \Psi[\dots, \nu_i, \nu_j, \dots]$ | $\langle \Psi, h\Psi \rangle = \sum_{l=1}^N \langle l h l \rangle$ |
| 2) $\Psi^2 = X_j^a \Psi^1$ | $\Psi^1 = \Psi[\dots, \nu_i, \nu_j, \dots]$ | |
| | $\Psi^2 = \Psi[\dots, \nu_i, \nu_a, \dots]$ | $\langle \Psi^2, h\Psi^1 \rangle = \langle a h j \rangle$ |
| 3) $\Psi^1 = X_{i,j}^{a,b} \Psi^2$ | $\Psi^1 = \Psi[\dots, \nu_i, \nu_j, \dots]$ | $\langle \Psi^2, h\Psi^1 \rangle = 0$ |
| or higher excitations | $\Psi^2 = \Psi[\dots, \nu_a, \nu_b, \dots]$ | |

Proof *exercise Hint: Leibniz formula +

$$\langle \Psi^2, h_l \Psi^1 \rangle = \int \varphi_a(\mathbf{x}_l) (h_l \varphi_i)(\mathbf{x}_l) \cdot \int \varphi_b(\mathbf{x}_k) \varphi_j(\mathbf{x}_k) \int \varphi_m(\mathbf{x}_1) \varphi_m(\mathbf{x}_1) \dots = \langle a|h|l \rangle \delta_{b,j}$$

Slater-Condon Rules

Slater-Condon Rules for two particle operators:

| | | |
|--|---|--|
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| | $\Psi^2 = \Psi[\dots, \nu_i, \nu_j, \dots]$ | $\langle \Psi^1, G\Psi^1 \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \langle ij ij \rangle$ |
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Spin functions and spatial orbitals

Spin orbital function: $\varphi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s}) \in \mathbb{R}, (\mathbb{C}), \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3, \mathbf{s} = \pm\frac{1}{2}$,
spin functions χ and spatial orbital functions ϕ :

$$\varphi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s}) = \phi_\alpha(\mathbf{x})\chi_\alpha(\mathbf{s}) + \phi_\beta(\mathbf{x})\chi_\beta(\mathbf{s})$$

with spin functions $\chi_\alpha(+\frac{1}{2}) = 1, \chi_\alpha(-\frac{1}{2}) = 0, \chi_\beta(\mathbf{s}) = 1 - \chi_\alpha(\mathbf{s})$

$$\varphi^\alpha(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s}) = \phi_\alpha(\mathbf{x})\chi_\alpha(\mathbf{s})$$

UHF (Unrestricted Hartree Fock, single spin state orbitals) :

$$\phi_{\alpha,i}, \phi_{\beta,j}, N' = N_\alpha + N_\beta .$$

Closed shell RHF (Restricted Hartree Fock) :

$$\phi_{\alpha,i} = \phi_{\beta,i} = \phi_i, i = 1, \dots, N = \frac{N'}{2} .$$

Hartree-Fock approximation

Closed shell RHF Model Minimize w.r.t. $\langle \varphi_i, \varphi_j \rangle = \delta_{i,j}$,

$$\frac{1}{2} \mathcal{J}^{HF}(\Phi) = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{2} \langle \nabla \varphi_i, \nabla \varphi_i \rangle + \langle \mathcal{V}_{core}(\mathbf{x}) \varphi_i, \varphi_i \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \langle \mathcal{V}_H(\mathbf{x}) \varphi_i, \varphi_i \rangle - \frac{1}{4} \langle \mathcal{W} \varphi_i, \varphi_i \rangle$$

Density matrix function: $\rho(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) := \sum_{i=1}^N \overline{\varphi_i(\mathbf{x})} \varphi_i(\mathbf{y})$,

$n(\mathbf{x}) := \rho(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x})$ is called the **electron density**

With the **Hartree potential** \mathcal{V}_H and the **exchange energy** term \mathcal{W}

$$-\Delta \mathcal{V}_H(\mathbf{x}) = 4\pi n(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}) \quad , \quad \mathcal{W}u(\mathbf{x}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{\rho(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|} u(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y}$$

General setting

- ▶ $\Phi := (\phi_1, \dots, \phi_N) \in (H^1(\mathbb{R}^3))^N = V^N$
- ▶ *Gelfand triple* $V := H^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \subseteq L^2(\mathbb{R}^3) \subseteq H^{-1}(\mathbb{R}^3) = V'$
- ▶ $\langle \Phi^T \Psi \rangle := (\langle \phi_i, \psi_j \rangle)_{i,j} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$
- ▶ *scalar product* $\langle \langle \Phi, \Psi \rangle \rangle := \text{tr} \langle \Phi^T \Psi \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^N \langle \phi_i, \psi_i \rangle \in \mathbb{R}$
- ▶ $\mathcal{A}\Phi := (A\phi_1, \dots, A\phi_N), A: V \rightarrow V'$

Simplified Problem: minimize

$$\mathcal{J}_A^{SCF}(\Phi) := \sum_{i=1}^N \langle A\phi_i, \phi_i \rangle = \text{tr} \langle \Phi^T \mathcal{A}\Phi \rangle = \langle \langle \Phi, \mathcal{A}\Phi \rangle \rangle$$

w.r.t. to orthogonality constraints $\langle \Phi^T \Phi \rangle = I$.

Remarks

- ▶ $\mathcal{J} = \mathcal{J}^{HF}, \mathcal{J}^{KS}, \mathcal{J}^{SCF}$ are **invariant** under **unitary transformations** $\mathbf{U} \in \mathcal{U}$

$$\mathcal{J}(\Phi) = \mathcal{J}(\Phi \mathbf{U}), \quad \Phi \mathbf{U} := \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \phi_i U_{ij} \right)_{j=1, \dots, N}$$

- ▶ **gradient** $\mathcal{J}'(\Phi) = \mathcal{A}_{[\Phi]} \Phi, \quad \mathcal{A}_{[\Phi]} : V \rightarrow V'$

The *density matrix operator*

$$D_{\Phi} := \sum_{i=1}^N \langle \phi_i, \cdot \rangle_{L^2} \phi_i$$

projects onto $\text{span } \Phi := \text{span}\{\phi_i : 1 \leq i \leq N\}$,
 $D^2 = D, \text{tr } D = N, D^T = D$

Stiefel and Grassmann manifolds

Definition

Stiefel manifold

$$\mathcal{S}_{V,N} := \mathcal{S} := \{ \Phi = (\phi_i)_{i=1}^N \mid \phi_i \in V, \langle \Phi^T \Phi \rangle - I_{N \times N} = \mathbf{0} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N} \}$$

Grassmann manifold is a quotient manifold

$$\mathcal{G}_{V,N} := \mathcal{G} := \mathcal{S}_{V,N} / \sim, \quad \Phi \sim \tilde{\Phi} \Leftrightarrow \tilde{\Phi} = \Phi \mathbf{U}, \quad \mathbf{U} \in \mathcal{U}(N)$$

(identify ONB spanning the same subspace $\text{span } \Phi$)

see [Edelman, Arias, Smith] for $V = \mathbb{R}^n$.

There is a one-to-one correspondence between

$$[\Phi] \in \mathcal{G} \iff D_\Phi \text{ (density matrix operator)}$$

Tangent space

Proposition (Edelman, Arias, Smith (98); Blauert, Neelov, Rohwedder, S. (08))

- ▶ *tangent space* $\mathcal{T}_{[\Phi]}\mathcal{G} = \{\delta\Psi \in V^N \mid \langle (\delta\Psi)^T \Phi \rangle = \mathbf{0} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}\}$
- ▶ $(I - \mathcal{D}_\Phi) : V^N \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_{[\Phi]}\mathcal{G}$, is an orthogonal *projection* onto the tangent space $\mathcal{T}_{[\Phi]}\mathcal{G}$
- ▶ *tangent space* $\mathcal{T}_\Phi \mathcal{S} = \mathcal{T}_{[\Phi]}\mathcal{G} + \{\Phi \mathbf{A} : \mathbf{A}^T = -\mathbf{A}\}$

$$= \{\Theta \in V^N : \langle \Theta^T \Phi \rangle = -\langle \Phi^T \Theta \rangle\}$$

Existence and uniqueness – known results

Problem

Minimize $\mathcal{J} : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $\mathcal{J} = \mathcal{J}^{HF}, \mathcal{J}^{KS}, \mathcal{J}_A^{SCF}$

Theorem (Lieb-Simon (78), P.L. Lions (89))

There exists a minimizer $\Phi \in (H^1(\mathbb{R}^3))^N$ for \mathcal{J}^{HF} provided that

$N' \leq \sum Z_\nu$.
Uniqueness is not known yet?

- ▶ \mathcal{J}_A^{SCF} has **unique** minimizer on Grassmann manifold \mathcal{G} if there is a **gap** for the lowest eigenvalues of A : $\lambda_N < \lambda_{N+1}$
- ▶ no uniqueness on Stiefel manifold \mathcal{S} .

1st order optimality conditions

For $[\Phi] \in \mathcal{G}$ there hold $\mathcal{J}'(\Phi) = \mathcal{A}_{[\Phi]}\Phi \in (V')^N$ where $\mathcal{A}_{[\Phi]}^{SCF} = A$ and $\mathcal{A}_{[\Phi]}^{HF}, \mathcal{A}_{[\Phi]}^{KS}$ are the Hamilton Fock operators

Definition

E.g. the Kohn-Sham Hamilton Fock operator is given by

$$\mathcal{A}_{[\Phi]}^{KS} := -\frac{1}{2}\Delta + V_{core} + \left(n \star \frac{1}{|\cdot|} \right) + v_{xc}(n) = -\frac{1}{2}\Delta + V(n)$$

Nec. cond.: If $[\Psi] = \operatorname{argmin} \{ \mathcal{J}(\Phi) : [\Phi] \in \mathcal{G} \} \in V^N(V_h^N)$ then

$$\langle \langle \mathcal{A}_{[\Psi]}\Psi, \delta\Phi \rangle \rangle = 0 \quad \forall \delta\Phi \in \mathcal{T}_{[\Psi]}\mathcal{G} \subset V^N(V_h^N)$$

$$\langle \langle (I - \mathcal{D}_{\Psi})\mathcal{A}_{[\Psi]}\Psi, \delta\Phi \rangle \rangle = 0 \quad \forall \delta\Phi \in V^N(V_h^N)$$

Canonical HF - KS equations

Lagrangian $\mathcal{L}(\Phi, \Lambda) := \mathcal{J}(\Phi) - \text{tr} \Lambda (\langle \Phi^T \Phi \rangle - I)$

At a (local) minimum $\Psi \in \mathcal{V}$, i.e. at stationary points (Ψ, λ) of \mathcal{L} there holds $\Lambda = \langle \mathbf{A}_{[\Psi]} \hat{\psi}_i, \hat{\psi}_j \rangle$.

There exists a representation $\Psi = \hat{\Psi} \mathbf{U}$ of $[\hat{\Psi}] \in \mathcal{G}$, s. t. $\lambda_{i,j} = \lambda_i \delta_{ij}$ and $\lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots$ s.t.

There hold the canonical (HF or KS) equations

$$\mathbf{A}_{[\Psi]} \psi_i = \lambda_i \psi_i, \quad \lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_N < 0.$$

Self consistent iteration: $\mathbf{A}_{[\Psi^{(n)}]} \psi_i^{(n+1)} = \lambda_i^{(n+1)} \psi_i^{(n+1)}$
(Cances-LeBris)

Self consistent iteration - SCF

We define A_{D^n} such that $A_{[\Psi]} = A_{D_\Psi}$ for an appropriate $D^n \in \mathcal{P} := \{D : D^* = D, \text{tr}D = N, D^2 \leq D\}$.

Algorithm (Self consistent iteration)

1. $\widehat{\Psi}^{n+1} := \underset{\Phi \in \mathcal{G}}{\text{argmin}} \{ \mathcal{J}_{A_{D^n}}^{SCF}(\Phi) : \Phi \in \mathcal{G} \} = \underset{\Phi \in \mathcal{G}}{\text{argmin}} \{ \langle A_{D^n} \Phi, \Phi \rangle : \Phi \in \mathcal{G} \}$
2. $D^{n+1} := \mu D_{\Psi^n} + (1 - \mu) D_{\widehat{\Psi}^{n+1}} \in \mathcal{P}$ for some $\mu \in [0, 1]$

Roothaan algorithm: $A_{[\Psi^{(n)}]} \psi_i^{(n+1)} = \lambda_i^{(n+1)} \psi_i^{(n+1)}$ fails often

Optimal damping algorithm (Cances-LeBris 02) converges

$D^{n+1} := \mu D_{\Psi^n} + (1 - \mu) D_{\widehat{\Psi}^{n+1}} \in \mathcal{P}$ with optimal choice of $\mu \in [0, 1]$

Gradient flow

The minimizer Ψ is spanning an **invariant subspace**

$V_\Psi := \text{span}\{\psi_1, \dots, \psi_N\}$ of $\mathcal{A}_{[\Psi]}$ corresponding to the N lowest eigenvalues.

A local minimizer Ψ is a fix point of the **gradient flow** $[\Phi](t)$,

$$\Psi = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \Phi(t)$$

$$\left\langle \left\langle \frac{d}{dt} \Phi - \mathcal{A}_{[\Phi]} \Phi(t), \theta \right\rangle \right\rangle = 0 \quad \forall \theta \in \mathcal{T}_{[\Phi]} \mathcal{G} \subset V^N (V_h^N)$$

or

$$\left\langle \left\langle \frac{d}{dt} \Phi(t) - (I - \mathcal{D}_\Phi) \mathcal{A}_{[\Phi]} \Phi, \theta \right\rangle \right\rangle = 0 \quad \forall \theta \in V^N (V_h^N)$$

Direct Minimization

Algorithm (direct minimization)

1. $\mathcal{A} := \mathcal{J}'(\Phi^{(n)}) = \mathcal{A}_{[\Phi^{(n)}]} : V^N \rightarrow V'^N$
2. $\Lambda^{(n)} := \langle \Phi^T \mathcal{A} \Phi \rangle = (\langle \mathbf{A} \phi_i, \phi_j \rangle)_{i,j=1,\dots,N} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$
3. $\hat{\Phi}^{(n+1)} := \Phi^{(n)} - \alpha \mathcal{B}^{-1}(\mathcal{A} \Phi^{(n)} - \Phi^{(n)} \Lambda^{(n)})$, preconditioner B
4. $\hat{\Phi}^{(n+1)} \rightsquigarrow \Phi^{(n+1)}$, $\Phi^{(n+1)} := P \hat{\Phi}^{(n+1)}$ by projection onto \mathcal{G} ,
e.g. orthogonalization

$$(\mathcal{A} \Phi^{(n)} - \Phi^{(n)} \Lambda^{(n)}) = [\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{D}_{\Phi^{(n)}}] \Phi^{(n)} = (I - \mathcal{D}_{\Phi^{(n)}}) \mathcal{A} \Phi^{(n)}$$

$$B, \hat{B} : V \rightarrow V', \mathcal{B} : V^N \rightarrow V'^N, \hat{B} := (I - D) B (I - D) + D B D,$$

$$D = D_{\Psi}$$

Projection onto the Stiefel manifold

$\hat{\Phi} = \hat{\Phi}^{(n+1)} = (\hat{\phi}_i)_{i=1}^N$, and $P\hat{\Phi} =: \Phi \in \mathcal{V}$ resp. \mathcal{G} s.t.
 $\text{span} \{\hat{\phi}_i : i = 1, \dots, N\} = \text{span} \{\phi_i : i = 1, \dots, N\}$

Projection $P : V^N \rightarrow \mathcal{S}, \text{resp. } \mathcal{G}$

- ▶ Gram Schmidt orthogonalization
- ▶ Löwdin transformation $\Phi = \mathbf{L}^{-1}\hat{\Phi}$ where $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T = \langle \hat{\Phi}^T \hat{\Phi} \rangle$
- ▶ Diagonalization of $\Lambda^{(n+1)} = \langle \hat{\Phi}^T \mathcal{A}_{[\Phi]} \hat{\Phi} \rangle$, yields the first N eigenvalues $\lambda_1^{(n)} \leq \dots \leq \lambda_N^{(n)}$ of $A_{[\Phi]}$.

Comment on direct minimization

improvement by *subspace acceleration*: e.g. line search and DIIS

$$\phi^{(n+1)} = \text{Function}(\hat{\phi}^{(n+1)}, \phi^{(n)}, \dots, \phi^{(0)})$$

- ▶ gradient directed \rightarrow convergence with Armijo line search
- ▶ $B: V \rightarrow V'$, $\|\phi\|_B^2 = \langle \phi, \phi \rangle_B := \langle B\phi, \phi \rangle \sim \|\phi\|_{H^1}^2$
e.g.: $B \approx \frac{-1}{2}\Delta + C$, e.g. multigrid or convolution by FFT
- ▶ also valid if $V := V_h$ is a finite dimensional subspace
- ▶ for the simplified problem cf. e.g. Knyazev et al.

CI Configuration Interaction Method

Approximation space for (spin) orbitals $(\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{s}_j) \rightarrow \varphi(\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{s}_j)$

$$\mathcal{X}_h := \text{span} \{ \varphi_i : i = 1, \dots, \mathcal{N} \}, \langle \varphi_i, \varphi_j \rangle = \delta_{i,j}$$

E.g. **Canonical orbitals** $\varphi_i, i = 1, \dots, \mathcal{N}$ are eigenfunctions of the discretized single particle operator (e.g. **Fock operator**)

$$\mathcal{F} := \mathcal{F}_h = \sum_{k=1}^N F_k : \mathcal{V}_{FCI} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}_{FCI},$$

$$\langle F\varphi_i - \lambda_i\varphi_i, \phi_h \rangle = 0 \quad \forall \phi_h \in \mathcal{X}_h$$

Full CI (for benchmark computations $\leq N = 18$) is a **Galerkin method** w.r.t. the subspace

$$\mathcal{V}_{FCI} = \bigwedge_{i=1}^N \mathcal{X}_h = \text{span} \{ \Psi_{SL} = \Psi[\nu_1, \dots, \nu_N] = \frac{1}{N!} \det(\varphi_{\nu_i}(\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{s}_j))_{i,j=1, \dots, N}^N \}$$

CI Configuration Interaction Method

\mathcal{N} (discrete) eigenfunction φ_i , $\langle F\varphi_i - \lambda_i\varphi_i, \phi_h \rangle = 0 \quad \forall \phi_h \in \mathcal{X}_h$
The first N eigenfunctions φ_i are called **occupied orbitals** the others are called **unoccupied orbitals** (traditionally)

$$\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_N, \varphi_{N+1}, \dots, \varphi_{\mathcal{N}}$$

Galerkin ansatz: $\Psi = c_0\Psi_0 + \sum_{\nu \in \mathcal{J}} c_\nu\Psi_\nu$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{H} = (\langle \Psi_{\nu'}, H\Psi_\nu \rangle), \mathbf{H}\mathbf{c} = E\mathbf{c}} \quad , \quad \dim \mathcal{V}_h = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{N} \\ N \end{pmatrix}$$

The matrix coefficients of $\mathbf{H} = (\langle \Psi_{\nu'}, H\Psi_\nu \rangle)$ can be computed by Slater-Condon-rules. (sparse matrix)

Configuration Interaction Method

Assumption: For any $\varphi \in H^1$ there exist $\varphi_h \in \mathcal{X}_h$ such that $\|\varphi_h - \varphi\|_{H^1} \rightarrow 0$, if $h \rightarrow 0$ (roughly: $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{X}_h = H^1(\mathbb{R}^3 \times \{\pm \frac{1}{2}\})$)

Theorem

Let E_0 be a single eigenvalue and $H\Psi = E_0\Psi$ and $E_{0,h}$, $\Psi_h \in \mathcal{V}_h \subset \mathcal{V}_{FCI}$ be the Galerkin solution, then for $h < h_0$ hold

$$\begin{aligned}\|\Psi - \Psi_h\|_{\mathcal{V}} &\leq c \inf_{\phi_h \in \mathcal{V}_h} \|\Psi - \phi_h\|_{\mathcal{V}} \\ E_{0,h} - E_0 &\leq C \inf_{\phi_h \in \mathcal{V}_h} \|\Psi - \phi_h\|_{\mathcal{V}}^2.\end{aligned}$$

Since $\dim \mathcal{V}_h = \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{N}^N)$, (curse of dimension), the full CI method is infeasible for large N or \mathcal{N} !!!!

Second quantization

Second quantization: **annihilation operators**:

$$a_j \Psi[j, 1, \dots, N] = \Psi[1, \dots, N]$$

and $= 0$ if j not apparent in $\Psi[\dots]$.

sign-normalization: j appears in the first place in $\Psi[j, 1, \dots, N]$.

The adjoint of a_b is a **creation operator** a_b^\dagger

$$a_b^\dagger \Psi[1, \dots, N] = \Psi[b, 1, \dots, N] = (-1)^N \Psi[1, \dots, N, b]$$

Lemma

$$a_k a_l = -a_l a_k, \quad a_k^\dagger a_l^\dagger = -a_l^\dagger a_k^\dagger, \quad a_k^\dagger a_l + a_l a_k^\dagger = \delta_{k,l}$$

Discrete annihilation and creation operators

$$A := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

In order to obtain the correct phase factor, we define

$$S := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix},$$

and the discrete **annihilation operator**

$$a_p \simeq \mathbf{A}_p := S \otimes \dots \otimes S \otimes A_{(p)} \otimes I \otimes \dots \otimes I$$

where $A_{(p)}$ means that A appears on the p -th position in the product.

The **creation operator**

$$a_p^\dagger \simeq \mathbf{A}_p^T := S \otimes \dots \otimes S \otimes A_{(p)}^T \otimes I \otimes \dots \otimes I$$

Schrödinger operator

One and two electron integrals

$$h_q^p := \langle \varphi_q, \left(\frac{-1}{2} \Delta - V_{\text{core}} \right) \varphi_p \rangle, \quad p, q, r, s = 1, \dots, d,$$

$$g_{r,s}^{p,q} := \frac{1}{2} \langle \varphi_r(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s}_1) \varphi_s(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{s}_2), \frac{\varphi_p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s}_1) \varphi_q(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{s}_2)}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|} \rangle$$

Theorem (Slater -Condon)

The Galerkin matrix \mathbf{H} of *electronic Schrödinger Hamiltonian* is sparse and can be represented by

$$H := H_h = \sum_{p,q=1}^d h_q^p a_q^\dagger a_p \sum_{p,q,r,s=1}^d g_{r,s}^{p,q} a_r^\dagger a_s^\dagger a_q a_p.$$

Reduced Density Matrices

Definition

For an N -electron wave function $\Psi \in \mathcal{V}$ resp. \mathcal{V}_h , we define the **k-particle density matrices**

$$\gamma_1 : \gamma_q^p = \langle \Psi, a_p^\dagger a_q \Psi \rangle$$

$$\gamma_2 : \gamma_{rs}^{pq} = \langle \Psi, a_q^\dagger a_r^\dagger a_s a_r \Psi \rangle$$

$$\Gamma_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s}; \mathbf{x}', \mathbf{s}') = \int \dots \int \overline{\Psi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s}; \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{s}_2; \dots)} \Psi(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{s}'; \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{s}_2; \dots) d\mathbf{x}_2 ds_2$$

Theorem

For $\Psi \in \mathcal{V}$ there holds

$$\begin{aligned} E = \langle \Psi, H\Psi \rangle &= \sum_{p,q} h_p^q \gamma_q^p + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{p,q,r,s} g_{pq}^{rs} \gamma_{rs}^{pq} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{p,q,r,s} \left[\frac{h_p^r \delta_q^s + \delta_p^r h_q^s}{N-1} + g_{pq}^{rs} \right] \gamma_{rs}^{pq} \end{aligned}$$

Multi-Configuration theory (MCSCF) – Tucker format

Problem: How to optimize the basis set $\Phi = (\varphi_i)_{i=1,\dots,d}$?

Variational problem:

$$E_0 = \operatorname{argmin}_{\tilde{\mathcal{E}}}(\Phi, \mathbf{c}), \quad \langle \varphi_i, \varphi_j \rangle = \delta_{i,j}$$

For simplicity of presentation we fix \mathbf{c} , and therefore the density matrices $\gamma_p^q, \gamma_{pq}^{rs}$, i.e.

$$E_0 = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathcal{E}}(\Phi), \quad \text{orthogonality constraints } \langle \varphi_i, \varphi_j \rangle = \delta_{i,j}$$

(and unitary invariance).

Define

$$\frac{\delta h_p^q}{\delta \varphi_p}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s}) = \left(\frac{-1}{2} \Delta - V_{\text{core}}(\mathbf{x}) \right) \varphi_q(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s}),$$

$$\frac{\delta g_{r,s}^{p,q}}{\delta \varphi_p}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s}) = 2\varphi_q(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s}) \int \frac{\overline{\varphi_s(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{s}')}\varphi_r(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{s}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|} d\mathbf{y} d\mathbf{s}'$$

Multi-Configuration theory (MCSCF) – Tucker format

First order conditions - Euler-Lagrange equations for basis optimization:

For $q = 1, \dots, d$:

$$\sum_{p=1}^d \gamma_p^q \frac{\delta h_p^q}{\delta \varphi_p}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s}) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{p,r,s=1}^d \gamma_{r,s}^{p,q} \frac{\delta g_{r,s}^{p,q}}{\delta \varphi_p}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s}) - \sum_{p=1}^q \lambda_p^q \varphi_q(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s}) = 0$$

or

$$\sum_{p=1}^d \gamma_p^q \left(\frac{-1}{2} \Delta - V_{\text{core}}(\mathbf{x}) \right) \varphi_q(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s}) + \sum_{p,r,s=1}^d \gamma_{r,s}^{p,q} \varphi_q(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s}) \int \frac{\overline{\varphi_s(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{s}') \varphi_r(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{s}')}}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|} d\mathbf{y} d\mathbf{s}' = \sum_{p=1}^q \lambda_p^q \varphi_q(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s})$$

Existence and uniqueness – known results

The variation w.r.t. to \mathbf{c} yield the corresponding Full CI equations

Problem

Minimize $\tilde{\mathcal{E}} : \mathcal{G} \times \mathbb{R}^{\dim v_{FCI}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$,

Theorem (Frieesecke (03), M. Lewin (04?))

There exists a minimizer $(\Phi, \mathbf{c}) \in (H^1(\mathbb{R}^3))^d \times \mathbb{R}^{\dim v_{FCI}}$ for $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}((\Phi, \mathbf{c}))$ with orthogonality constraints, provided that $N' \leq \sum Z_\nu$.

Uniqueness is not know yet?

Remark: the Full CI solution can be replaced by MPS (TT) tensor format eqn. for basis optimization.