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3 The Hartree-Fock Approximation

3.1 The HF Equations

- 3.1.1 The Coulomb and Exchange Operators
- 3.1.2 The Fock Operator

Ex 3.1

$$\left\langle \chi_{i} \middle| \hat{f} \middle| \chi_{j} \right\rangle = \left\langle \chi_{i}(1) \middle| h(1) + \sum_{b} [\mathscr{J}_{b}(1) - \mathscr{K}_{b}(1)] \middle| \chi_{j}(1) \right\rangle$$

$$= [i|h|j] + \sum_{b} \left[\left\langle \chi_{i}(1)\chi_{b}(2) \middle| \frac{1}{r_{12}} \middle| \chi_{b}(2)\chi_{j}(1) \right\rangle - \left\langle \chi_{i}(1)\chi_{b}(2) \middle| \frac{1}{r_{12}} \middle| \chi_{b}(1)\chi_{j}(2) \right\rangle \right]$$

$$= [i|h|j] + \sum_{b} ([ij|bb] - [ib|bj])$$

$$= \langle i|h|j\rangle + \sum_{b} (\langle ib|jb\rangle - \langle ib|bj\rangle)$$

$$= \langle i|h|j\rangle + \sum_{b} \langle ib||jb\rangle$$
(3.1.1)

3.2 Derivation of the HF Equations

3.2.1 Functional Variation

3.2.2 Minimization of the Energy of a Single Determinant

Ex 3.2 Take the complex conjugate of

$$\mathscr{L}[\{\chi_{\alpha}\}] = E_0[\{\chi_{\alpha}\}] - \sum_{a}^{N} \sum_{b}^{N} \varepsilon_{ba}([a|b] - \delta_{ab})$$
(3.2.1)

we have

$$\mathcal{L}[\{\chi_{\alpha}\}]^* = E_0[\{\chi_{\alpha}\}]^* - \sum_{a}^{N} \sum_{b}^{N} \varepsilon_{ba}^*([a|b]^* - \delta_{ab}^*)$$
(3.2.2)

i.e.

$$\mathcal{L}[\{\chi_{\alpha}\}] = E_0[\{\chi_{\alpha}\}] - \sum_{a}^{N} \sum_{b}^{N} \varepsilon_{ba}^*([b|a] - \delta_{ab})$$
(3.2.3)

thus

$$\sum_{a}^{N} \sum_{b}^{N} \varepsilon_{ba}([a|b] - \delta_{ab}) = \sum_{a}^{N} \sum_{b}^{N} \varepsilon_{ba}^{*}([b|a] - \delta_{ab}) = \sum_{a}^{N} \sum_{a}^{N} \varepsilon_{ab}^{*}([a|b] - \delta_{ba})$$
(3.2.4)

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$$\varepsilon_{ba} = \varepsilon_{ab}^* \tag{3.2.5}$$

Ex 3.3 ::

$$[\delta \chi_a | h | \chi_a] = [\chi_a | h | \delta \chi_a]^* \tag{3.2.6}$$

$$[\chi_a \delta \chi_a | \chi_b \chi_b] = [\delta \chi_a \chi_a | \chi_b \chi_b]^* \tag{3.2.7}$$

$$[\chi_a \chi_a | \chi_b \delta \chi_b] = [\chi_a \chi_a | \delta \chi_b \chi_b]^*$$
(3.2.8)

$$[\chi_a \chi_b | \chi_b \delta \chi_a] = [\chi_b \delta \chi_a | \chi_a \chi_b] = [\delta \chi_a \chi_b | \chi_b \chi_a]^*$$
(3.2.9)

$$[\chi_a \chi_b | \delta \chi_b \chi_a] = [\delta \chi_b \chi_a | \chi_a \chi_b] = [\chi_a \delta \chi_b | \chi_b \chi_a]^*$$
(3.2.10)

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$$\delta E_0 = \sum_a^N [\delta \chi_a | h | \chi_a] + \frac{1}{2} \sum_a^N \sum_b^N ([\delta \chi_a \chi_a | \chi_b \chi_b] + [\chi_a \chi_a | \delta \chi_b \chi_b])$$

$$- \frac{1}{2} \sum_a^N \sum_b^N ([\delta \chi_a \chi_b | \chi_b \chi_a] + [\chi_a \chi_b | \delta \chi_b \chi_a]) + \text{complex conjugates}$$
(3.2.11)

while

$$\sum_{a}^{N} \sum_{b}^{N} [\chi_a \chi_a | \delta \chi_b \chi_b] = \sum_{b}^{N} \sum_{a}^{N} [\chi_b \chi_b | \delta \chi_a \chi_a] = \sum_{a}^{N} \sum_{b}^{N} [\delta \chi_a \chi_a | \chi_b \chi_b]$$
(3.2.12)

$$\sum_{a}^{N} \sum_{b}^{N} [\chi_a \chi_b | \delta \chi_b \chi_a] = \sum_{b}^{N} \sum_{a}^{N} [\chi_b \chi_a | \delta \chi_a \chi_b] = \sum_{a}^{N} \sum_{b}^{N} [\delta \chi_a \chi_b | \chi_b \chi_a]$$
(3.2.13)

thus

$$\delta E_0 = \sum_{a}^{N} [\delta \chi_a | h | \chi_a] + \sum_{a}^{N} \sum_{b}^{N} ([\delta \chi_a \chi_a | \chi_b \chi_b] - [\delta \chi_a \chi_b | \chi_b \chi_a]) + \text{complex conjugates}$$
(3.2.14)

- 3.2.3 The Canonical HF Equations
- 3.3 Interpretation of Solutions to the HF Equations
- 3.3.1 Orbital Energies and Koopmans' Theorem