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**optavc**

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## QUICK START

### 1.1 Background and Purpose

optavc was originally written by Dr. Copan to facilitate optimizations and hessian calculations by finite difference. It is primarily meant for internal use by the CCQC on our clusters and computing resources.

optavc is meant to run Psi4, Molpro, Cfour, and Orca QM calculations on the Sapelo and Vulcan clusters. These clusters have, over time, utilized the PBS/TORQUE, SLURM, and SGE queuing systems so the submission scripts and cluster infrastructure should work easily with other clusters of these types. The submission scripts and specific program names would likely need to be adjusted. Submission scripts for these queuing systems are auto-generated from program specific templates.

### 1.2 Dependencies

python >= 3.6

psi4 >= 1.3.2

Optavc has most recently been tested with Psi4 1.8.2 and Python 3.12

#### 1.2.1 loading psi4

optavc uses psi4's finite difference module to generate displacements. psi4 must be available in the environment as a python module to run optavc. This does not need to be the same version of psi4 that will be run for the actual calculations.

You can easily add psi4 to your environment with the *vulcan load psi4@master* or *module load PSI4* on Sapelo.

#### 1.2.2 installing psi4

If you need to install psi4 and/or a new python: conda is the recommended installation process for dependencies. All CCQC members should familiarize themselves with conda and git.

psi4.1.3.2:

```
conda create -n <new_env> psi4 psi4-rt -c psi4
```

psi4.1.4:

```
conda create -n <new_env> psi4 psi4-rt -c psi4/label/dev`
```

psi4 1.8:

```
conda create -n psi4 mamba -c conda-forge
mamba install psi4 <anything else you might want> -c conda-forge -c conda-
  ↪ forge/label/libint_dev
```

## 1.3 Installing optavc (for CCQC members)

There are no planned releases for optavc currently. For development purposes, please fork the GitHub repository using the GitHub website. For general usage just clone CCQC/optavc master branch.

clone the GitHub repo to whatever directory you keep python libraries. For instance, in general I recommend:

```
mkdir ~/github
cd ~/github
git clone https://github.com/CCQC/optavc.git
```

Please do not install python libraries in `~/bin`. which is for binaries and executables not python modules. Please read [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Filesystem\\_Hierarchy\\_Standard](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Filesystem_Hierarchy_Standard) for more information on how the Linux FHS is organized.

add the following line to your `.bashrc` or the rc file for your shell of choice adjust to your shell as:

```
export PYTHONPATH=$PYTHONPATH:~/github/
```

Note that optavc's package layout is not the conventional package layout for python projects. If you have to manually configure your python path for other packages you'd likely need to add the repo directory to your `PYTHONPATH` like:

```
export PYTHONPATH=$PYTHONPATH:~/github/<package-name>
```

The important thing is that your environment variable should point to a directory `<package-name>` containing the directory (module) with the `__init__.py` file. i.e. for optavc the following file exists:

```
export PYTHONPATH=$PYTHONPATH:~/github/optavc/__init__.py
```

The presence of a `__init__.py` effectively makes the directory its in `optavc`, be "importable" as a module.

## 1.4 Running Optavc

optavc is, fundamentally, a python module. Therefore there isn't really a input file for optavc. It is generally easiest to write and then execute a python script in your current working directory.

Basic Requirements:

- a python dict of options (see the options chapter for the bare required options).

- a template file. For the purposes of explanation optavc "only" RUNS this template file. The template file must be completely sufficient to run whatever singlepoint, gradient, or hessian calculation you are interested in running.

The easiest way to run optavc is as a background process on the login node of a cluster. This is not ideal, but optavc spends a lot of time sleeping, and is not particularly resource intensive for the kinds of molecules we treat.

To run this way write a simple python script to call optavc like:

```
import optavc
options_kwargs = {
    'template_file_path': 'template.dat',
    'energy_regex': r"\s*@DF-RHF Final Energy:\s+(-\d+\.\d+)",
    'program': "psi4",
    'maxiter': 20,
}

optavc.run_optavc("OPT", options_kwargs)
```

Then run this python script from cmd line as:

```
nohup python -u <name.py> &
```

nohup or (no hangup) prevents your process from being terminated by the shell its running in closing. nohup places all printing to stdout in nohup.out so all of optavc's output will be placed there. optavc makes calls to psi4 to perform the finite difference procedure, extrapolations, optimizations etc. All output produced from psi4 will be placed by default in output.dat

Directories like *HESS* and *STEP00* will be created in the current working directory which contain either input and output files or contain directories for each displacement which contain input and output files. Look there to check on how the calculations themselves are going.

```
optavc.main.run_optavc(jobtype, options_dict, restart_iteration=0, xtpl_restart=None, sow=True, path='.',
    test_input=False, molecule=None)
```

Optavc driver to unify and simplify input. This is the only internal method of optavc a user should need to interact with. Creates any needed internal class objects based on the provided dictionary.

Performs an Optimization or Hessian calculation

#### Parameters

- **jobtype** (*str*) – upper and lowercase variants of HESS, FREQUENCY, FREQUENCIES, HESSIAN, OPT, and OPTIMIZATION are allowed
- **options\_dict** (*dict*) – should contain BOTH optavc and psi4 options for optking and the finite difference procedure. should not contain ANY options relevant for the calculations that optking will submit.
- **restart\_iteration** (*int*) – For optimizations only. orresponds to the iteration we should begin trying to sow gradients for
- **sow** (*bool*) – For Hessians only. if False optavc will reap the hessian.
- **path** (*str*) – for Hessians only. Specifies where to write displacement directories.
- **test\_input** (*bool*) – Check all calculation in STEP00, HESS, or otherwise. This is a good way to test that the energy regex is working as expected. Raises an AssertionError if optavc considers any calculations to have failed.

#### Returns

- **result** (*list[int]* or *list[list[int]]*) – the gradient after optimization the hessian after a hessian calculation
- **energy** (*int*) – final energy or energy of non displaced point
- **molecule** (*molecule.Molecule*) – final molecule.

### 1.4.1 Warnings/Change-log - READ THIS!!

A few important changes and quirks that users should be notified about:

UNITS - defaults to Angstrom. Optavc does not pay attention to the units set in the template file make sure to set units if Bohr.

SUCCESS REGEXES - The corresponded keyword has been abandoned in favor of using the energy regex as the only indicator that a job has finished. This is because some programs don't have reliable, consistent success strings. If you're worried about your energy regex run a single gradient than *test\_input=True* as seen in the documentation above for *run\_optavc*

ENERGY REGEXES - In order to speedup optavc, optavc now run's by default in MULTILINE mode. ENERGY REGEXES must be matched then **from the beginning of the line** this includes white space.

MEMORY - OPTAVC now only uses *#SBATCH --mem={memory}* for Sapelo submit scripts. Please make sure to determine the total amount of memory your job uses if using a program such as Molpro which specifies memory in a *per task* fashion.

Reorientation - New keywords *fix\_com* and *fix\_orientation* have been added. optavc just runs calculations for Psi4 and fills the results (gradients, energy, etc...) in the correct Psi4 data structures. Since this whole process is taken care of by Psi4, its normally okay for Psi4 to reorient the molecule (translationally and rotationally) as it sees fit. The harmonic frequencies will not be affected despite the structure being rotated behind the scenes; however, the normal mode coordinates will not necessarily align with your molecules. You'd want to visualize the normal modes with the molecular coordinates Psi4 used (these can be found in output.dat). In geometry optimization, the final converged geometry you fetch from output.dat will have been rotated by Psi4 as well.

If this behavior is not acceptable (for instance when comparing force constants or gradients numerically against other programs) you can use the above keywords. When *optavc* creates a Psi4 molecule object, the molecule will not be allowed to move if these options are specified.

### 1.4.2 Basic Functionality

Optavc can perform optimizations and hessian calculations through Psi4.

Optimizations can be performed with Analytic Gradients or by Finite Differences of Singlepoints

Hessians can be calculated Analytically or by Finite Differences of Gradients or Singlepoints.

Basis set extrapolation and additive corrections can be applied at the level of the Gradient and Hessian.

Aside from the actual calculation of the Energy, Gradient, or Hessian most functionality is obtained through Psi4 and QCDB.

Finite Difference Displacements are generated by psi4 and calculations for each displacements. Thermochemical and Vibrational analysis is also performed by Psi4. Optimization is performed by the Optking python module which comes packages with Psi4 >= 1.7.



## OPTIONS

## 2.1 Options Breakdown

Most of the keywords in *optavc* have reasonable defaults. There are only two keywords that you'll need to specify.

The required keywords are

- ***energy\_regex***  
This is the regex string used to match **AND** fetch the energy from one of the output files
- ***program***  
*optavc* has a built-in set of rules for what programs to expect on a given cluster so usually requesting *psi4* or *cfour* is sufficient. You should however check that the intended build of *cfour* (for instance) is being used in the generated submit scripts

See the first example for a simple input file like this: [A Basic Example](#)

### 2.1.1 The Basic Options

These are the options that affect what files, templates, and programs that *optavc* uses to perform calculations and how to retrieve those results.

- ***energy\_regex***  
regex string that matches the energy printout
- ***correction\_regexes***  
regex string to fetch an additive correction for instance the (T) correlation energy
- ***deriv\_regex***  
regex string to capture the values of the gradient. Should be written to match a few lines preceding the actual gradient. *Optavc* has its own regex string with the appropriate capture groups to get the actual gradient values. See [An Analytic Gradient Example](#) for more details.
- ***program***  
name of the program to use to run each displacement.
- ***template\_file\_path***  
Where to get the template file (*zmat*, *input.dat*, *template.dat*) with the molecule and job specification to run the calculations. This file does need to contain a cartesian geometry which will be used as the reference geometry for generating displacements from. Each displaced geometry will be substituted back into a copy of the template file to be run on the cluster. Defaults to *.template.dat*
- ***backup\_template***  
This is a secondary template that can be used in place of *.template.dat* in case of a restart. See keyword documentation below for more details.

- ***input\_name***  
What to name the generated input files
- ***output\_name***  
What to name the output files for each displaced calculation
- ***input\_units***  
What units were used in the template file. This needs to be know so that the geometry is interpreted correctly before a psi4 molecule is created
- ***deriv\_file***  
Name of the file that will contain the desired gradient or hessian. Writing these files may need to be turned on manually in your template file. See [An Analytic Gradient Example](#) for more details.
- ***files\_to\_copy***  
Additional files like GENBAS that need to be copied to the compute node where your jobs are run

## 2.1.2 More Optavc Options

More options to control how the geometry optimization or finite differences is performed, how jobs are submitted (and resubmitted), etc...

- ***point\_group***  
optavc will attempt to keep the molecule in this point group
- ***dertype***  
What type of calculation should be performed by the finite difference scheme. *energy*, *gradient*, or *hessian*. If *hessian* or *gradient* is requested the calculation may not required finite differences at all. Yay!
- ***fix\_com***  
Don't let Psi4 translate the molecule
- ***fix\_orientation***  
Don't let Psi4 rotate the molecule
- ***points***  
What point scheme to use for finite differences ['3', '5'].
- ***job\_array***  
Whether to submit the displacements as an array job or individually. This makes no difference don't bother
- ***resub***  
Whether to resubmit jobs that have finished but no matches for *energy\_regex* can be found
- ***resub\_max***  
Maximum number of times a single job can be resubmitted. This should prevent runaway job submissions.
- ***sleepy\_sleep\_time***  
The frequency with which optavc will request an update on the status of its calculations.
- ***maxiter***  
How many iterations to allow for a geometry optimization (supersedes optking's *geom\_maxiter*)
- ***parallel***  
Type of parallelization to use. This can affect the specific program module that is loaded behind the scenes in the submission script.
- ***cluster***  
This is the name of the cluster you're working with ['Vulcan', 'Sapelo']. This is not required.

### 2.1.3 Cluster Options

These options are primarily relevant for running on Sapelo. Vulcan has far fewer configuration options accessible in the submit scripts. On Vulcan jobs are expected to take up a complete node. On Sapelo this is NOT the case. You should use as small a resource allocation as possible. Check the output file for resource usage printouts or use *sacct -e*. The slurm documentation may be helpful for understanding these keywords and you should checkout the auto-generated documentation below for more information as well. See [Auto-generated Options Docs](#) for more details.

- ***constraint***  
This string is used on the Sapelo cluster to request specific features or node types for your jobs
- ***nslots***  
How many mpi processes or threads to use
- ***threads***  
experimental setting both nslots and threads requests *nslots* mpi tasks each with *threads* omp threads
- ***scratch***  
One of ['lscratch', 'scratch']. Defaults to 'scratch' which is the network Filesystem shared by all nodes. 'lscratch' refers to physical disk space of a physical compute node.
- ***time\_limit***  
An upper limit estimate of how long the job might run for.
- ***queue***  
Relevant for Vulcan and Sapelo. Which set of nodes to submit the jobs to
- ***email***  
Whether or not to send an email to the user with job information or updates (goes to your myid automatically)
- ***email\_opts***  
Controls in what cases to send an email
- ***memory***  
How much memory your job can use
- ***name***  
The name given to your jobs on the cluster queuing system

### 2.1.4 Xtpl and Delta Options

This section contains keywords to control how singlepoints and gradients should be extrapolated to the complete basis set and additively corrected. The keywords here are generalizations and of the keywords above for the Cluster and for general optavc keywords but are applied to each sub calculation in the xtpl and delta framework. Only the keywords are documented here please read this section for more details about how the keywords can be input and broadcast. [Extrapolation Options](#). See [Autogenerated Options Docs](#) for the exact data types each keyword accepts.

- ***xtpl\_basis\_sets***  
The cardinal numbers used for the extrapolation process [[3, 4, 5], [3, 4]] (e.g.) [[HF], [Correlated]]
- ***xtpl\_templates***  
Template files for different basis set calculations. See examples and autodocs below for more details [Auto-generated Options Docs](#)
- ***xtpl\_regexes***  
Regexes to get gradients or energies corresponding to different basis set calculations. See examples and autodocs below for more details. [Auto-generated Options Docs](#)

- ***xtpl\_programs***  
Can be left blank if *program* should be provided everywhere.
- ***xtpl\_names***  
individual names for each calculation
- ***xtpl\_dertypes***  
individual calculation types (energy, gradient, or hessian) for each basis set
- ***xtpl\_queues***  
individual queues to submit each basis set type to.
- ***xtpl\_nslots***  
how many tasks or threads to use for each basis set calculation.
- ***xtpl\_memories***  
how much memory to use for each basis set calculation.
- ***xtpl\_parallels***  
what type of parallelization to use for each calculation
- ***xtpl\_scratches***  
what type of scratch to use for each basis set calculation
- ***xtpl\_deriv\_regexes***  
what regex to use to get a gradient or hessian for each basis set calculation
- ***scf\_xtpl***  
Whether to extrapolate the scf part or just the correlated calculation.

For each *xtpl\_<option>* there should be an analogous *delta\_<option>*. The *delta\_<option>* options use a different format however see [Extrapolated Extrapolation Options](#) for more information.

## 2.2 The Options class

**class** optavc.options.Options(\*\*kwargs)

The only *required* options for a *standard* run of optavc are *energy\_regex* and *program*. All others are either not required for all jobs or have default values.

The required options for the extrapolation procedure are *xtpl\_templates*, *xtpl\_regexes*, and *xtpl\_basis\_sets*. *energy\_regex* and *template\_file\_path* are NOT allowed to fill in *xtpl\_regexes* and *xtpl\_templates*. *program* is allowed fill in *xtpl\_programs*.

The required options for performing an additive correction are *delta\_templates* and *delta\_regexes*. again *energy\_regex* and *template\_file\_path* are not allowed to fill in *delta\_regexes* and *delta\_templates*

### Notes

This class is also responsible for setting options in Psi4 that are required for optavc to utilize Psi4 properly. Common keywords are *max\_force\_g\_convergence*, *findif\_points*, *hessian\_write*, *cart\_hess\_read*. etc

These are keywords related to the finite difference procedure and geometry optimization. NOT keywords related to running a specific calculation: *basis\_set*, *e\_convergence*, etc.

#### **template\_file\_path**

default : 'template.dat'

string, interpretable as a path, to a template file

**Type**

string

**backup\_template**

default : None

string, interpretable as a path to a secondary template file if the first has failed. This is only invoked when performing a restart. This is invoked either with `run_optavc("HESS", sow=False)` or `run_optavc("OPT", restart_iteration=<xx>)` For optimizations this only applies to the iteration we restart. It will not persist, so the `template_file_path` should also be updated to match `backup_template`. (Only `backup_template` will overwrite the currently written template files).

**Type**

string or None

**energy\_regex**

python 'raw' string. Should work with multiline mode. Should contain a group which returns the energy itself.

**Type**

string

**self.correction\_regexes**

default = ''

python 'raw' string. Should work with multiline mode. Should contain a group which returns the energy. This is a simple additive correction to the energy. For instance (T) correlation energy if CCSD(T) is needed. Not usually needed.

**Type**

string

**self.deriv\_regex**

default = ''

python 'raw' string. Should work with multiline mode. Uses a permissive regex to grab the actual values of a gradient. `deriv_regex` should be written to match the few lines before the gradient. i.e.

Total Molecular Gradient:

**Type**

string

**self.cluster**

default = setter Allowed names for the cluster are `vulcan`, `sapelo`, and `sapelo_old` which are SGE, SLURM, and PBS/TORQUE clusters. if not provided `optavc` will use `socket.gethostname()` to determine what cluster the user is on.

**Type**

string

**self.constraint**

default = '' Allowed values are Intel, EPYC, Intel|EPYC. MPI communication errors often happen with mixed node usage on Sapelo so defining one or the other may help.

**Type**

string

**self.nslots**

default 4

How many threads or tasks the job should be run with. Used to create the cluster submission script

**Type**  
int

**self.threads**

default 1

WARNING. Experimental. For programs that CLAIM to use mixed MPI and OpenMP parallelism set threads seperately from taks

**Type**  
int

**self.scratch**

default 'lscratch'

Choose between running on local scratch or a network filesystem. Vulcan has only lscratch. Sapelo has both; however, lscratch space is limited.

**Type**  
string

**self.program**

default ""

name of the program to calculations with orca, molpro, psi4, or cfour The name should at least be sufficiently long to load the module with. i.e. `cfour@2.0+mpi` is sufficient for vulcan load psi4 is also sufficient instead of `psi4@master`.

**Type**  
string

**self.parallel**

default = setter

For programs like cfour the submission script generated and module loaded by optavc depends on the version. Recognized values are mpi, serial, and mixed. serial encompasses openMP parallelism. Mixed uses both and is experimental.

the setter will attempt first to determine the value for parallel from the name of the program. i.e. `cfour2.0+mpi` otherwise programs defaults are: mpi for orca and molpro. serial for psi4 and cfour.

**Type**  
string

**self.time\_limit**

default 10:00:00

time limit on vulcan is automatically 2 weeks and this overrides optavc's default.

**Type**  
string

**self.queue**

default gen4.q or batch

**Type**  
string

**self.email**

Vulcan and Sapelo both use myid. If required email is automatically determined by \$USER EMAIL is only setup for the Sapelo cluster

**Type**

bool or None

**self.email\_opts**

default = 'END,FAIL'

See documentation for the clusters queueing system for valid values. Optavc will not check. The default is only value for SLURM

**Type**

string

**self.memory**

default '32GB'

How much total memory is needed for the Job. Include units. Only used for SAPELO

**Type**

string

**self.name**

default STEP

This name may be altered at various levels but is the main prefix for how optavc names jobs. This impacts both directories in the current working directory and job names on the cluster.

**Type**

string

**self.files\_to\_copy**

default []

Copy files from the current working directory to the directories for each displacement. Useful for files like GENBAS which can be pulled by default from the cfour install but may need to be overridden

**Type**

list[string]

**self.input\_name**

default 'input.dat'

what should the template file be named when it is written into a directory. When running cfour the input file will eventually be named ZMAT but this may occur in a tmp directory

**self.output\_name**

default 'output.dat'

**Type**

string

**self.input\_units**

default "angstrom"

Make sure to set to bohr if the molecule in your template file. issues will occur and may not be easily recognizable

**Type**

string

**self.point\_group**

default None optavc will call psi4.reset\_point\_group(point\_group) to make sure the symmetry is being conserved.

**Type**

string

**self.dertype**

default ENERGY

allowed values are ENERGY or 0, GRADIENT or 1, HESSIAN or 2. Optimizations can be done with 0, or 1. Hessians can be done with 0, 1, or 2

**Type**

string

**self.deriv\_file**

default 'output'

What file should we look in to fetch the gradient or hessian. if 'output' the output file is serched with deriv\_regex. Otherwise optavc attempts to read a gradient, or hessian file like cfour's GRD file. If program is cfour optavc will force use of the GRD file.

**Type**

string

**self.mpi**

default None

WARNING Experimental. Legacy, unmaintained code for submitting singlepoints to slurm as a single mpi process

**Type**

bool

**self.job\_array**

default False

Should calculations be submitted in an array or as individual jobs to the cluster. array submission is only supported if cluster is Vulcan. job\_array will be set to False for Sapelo.

**Type**

bool

**self.resub**

default False

Prevents shut down of optavc if a calculation has failed by resubmitting to the cluster's queue. This only affects calculations that are run through the FiniteDifferenceCalc classes.

**Type**

bool

**self.resub\_max**

default None

How many times should a singlepoint be resubmitted. Some old molpro issues on specific Sapelo nodes required ths to be set to a relatively large integer. Be careful

**Type**

int

**self.sleepy\_sleep\_time**

default 60

Determines the frequency with which optavc will wake up and check the status of its jobs.



**Type**  
int

**self.xtpl**

default None

is an extrapolation to be performed.

**Type**  
bool

**self.maxiter**

default 20

This is optavc's internal maxiter. Optkings geom\_maxiter should not be obeyed since gradients are being set manually

**self.xtpl\_basis\_sets**

This is a required keyword for performing an extrapolation. Optavc will fail if this is set unnecessarily without the other required keywords.

list of lists of cardinal numbers for a basis set extrapolation. See composite gradient section for more details

The first list corresponds to extrapolation of a correlated method, the second list is for HF. example [[4, 3], [5, 4, 3]]

**Type**  
None or List[List[int]]

**self.xtpl\_templates**

This is a required keyword for performing an extrapolation. Optavc will fail if this is set unnecessarily without the other required keywords.

list of lists of strings for templates for a basis set extrapolation. See composite gradient section for more details The first list corresponds to extrapolation of a correlated method, the second list is for HF. example [['template.dat', 'template.dat'], ['template1.dat', 'template2.dat']]

**Type**  
None or List[List[str]]

**self.xtpl\_regexes**

This is a required keyword for performing an extrapolation. Optavc will fail if this is set unnecessarily without the other required keywords.

list of lists of raw strings . See composite gradient section for more details The first list corresponds to extrapolation of a correlated method, the second list is for HF. example : [[r'mp2\_qz', r'mp2\_tz'] [r'hf\_5z, r'hf\_qz"]]

**Type**  
None or List[List[str]]

**self.programs**

default setter

If no value is given. self.program will be applied to every calculation in the extrapolation procedure The first list corresponds to extrapolation of a correlated method, the second list is for HF.

**Type**  
None or List[List[str]]

**self.xtpl\_names**

default setter

list of names for each calculation that will be performed. Duplicates are allowed. Default names are dependent on the number of calculations being performed and templates supplied.

**Type**

None or List[List[str]]

**self.xtpl\_dertypes**

default [[self.dertype, self.dertype], [self.dertype, 'self.dertype]]

list of strings or integers to determine the type of calculations being submitted. Energy, Gradient or Hessian. If no values are provided all calculations are assumed to match self.dertype which itself defaults to energy

**Type**

None or List[List[str]]

**self.xtpl\_queues**

default [[self.queue, self.queue], [self.queue, self.queue]]

If no values are provided, falls back to self.queue which defaults to gen4.q or batch depending on self.cluster

**Type**

None or List[List[str]]

**self.xtpl\_nslots**

default [[self.nslots, self.nslots], [self.nslots, self.nslots]]

see self.nslots for its default value

**Type**

None or List[List[int]]

**self.xtpl\_memories**

default [[self.memory, self.memory], [self.memory, self.memory]]

see self.memory for its default

**Type**

None or List[List[str]]

**self.xtpl\_parallel**

default [[self.parallel, self.parallel], [self.parallel, self.parallel]]

see self.parallel for defaults

**Type**

None or List[List[str]]

**self.xtpl\_time\_limits**

default [[self.time\_limit, self.time\_limit], [self.time\_limit, self.time\_limit]]

see self.time\_limit for defaults

**Type**

None or List[List[str]]

**self.xtpl\_scratches**

default [[self.scratch, self.scratch], [self.scratch, self.scratch]]

self.scratch for default

**Type**

None or List[List[str]]

**self.xtpl\_deriv\_regexes**

default [[self.deriv\_regex, self.deriv\_regex], [self.deriv\_regex, self.deriv\_regex]]

see.deriv\_regex for default

**Type**

None or List[List[str]]

**self.xtpl\_deriv\_files**

default [[self.deriv\_file, self.deriv\_file], [self.deriv\_file, self.deriv\_file]]

**Type**

None or List[List[str]]

**self.scf\_xtpl**

default False

If false the scf results will not be extrapolated. The extrapolated correlated result will be added to the scf result of the highest cardinality. Performing HF calculations with smaller basis sets may still be required i.e. with gradients.

**Type**

bool



## COMPOSITE GRADIENTS AND HESSIANS

### 3.1 Composite Options

There are many combinations of xtpl and delta options possible so a more detailed explanation of the options for composite calculations are given here than in the Options area.

#### 3.1.1 Option Format

xtpl options and delta options are provided as a list of lists. With xtpl\_option[0] corresponding to the options for each calculation including post-HF correlation and xtpl\_option[1] containing options for the Hartree Fock calculations. The options in these two lists are given in order of decreasing basis set size. i.e:

```
"xtpl_templates": [[mp2_qz_template, mp2_tz_template], [hf_qz_template, hf_tz_template]],
"basis set size": [[4, 3], [4, 3]],
```

For delta options. There may be an arbitrary number of lists each of which should be two dimensional i.e:

```
"delta_templates": [[core-valence], [spin-orbit], [dboc]]
```

Internally, each xtpl and delta option will be expanded to its full length; however, options will be broadcast automatically if possible. Broadcasting can occur in several ways.

If no value is given for an xtpl or delta keyword, the corresponding *standard* option will be used for every calculation in the composite gradient. This may be user provided or can be the default value for the *standard* option. If a single value is given for a xtpl or delta keyword that single value will be used for every calculation. If a single value is given for each part of an extrapolation and correction the value will be broadcast across the list.

To demonstrate, the following inputs are all equivalent

input 1:

```
molpro_mp2_regex = r''
molpro_ccsd(t)_regex = r''
molpro_hf_regex = r''

options = {
    "xtpl_templates": [['mp2_qz.dat', 'mp2_tz.dat'], ['mp2_qz.dat', 'mp2_tz.dat']],
    "xtpl_regexes": [[molpro_mp2_regex], [molpro_hf_regex]],
    "xtpl_basis_sets": [[4, 3], [4, 3]],
    "xtpl_memories": "12GB",
    "delta_templates": [['AE-mp2.dat', 'FC-mp2.dat'], ['ccsd(t).dat', 'FC-mp2.dat']],
    "delta_regexes": [[molpro_mp2_regex], [molpro_ccsd(t), molpro_mp2_regex]],
```

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```

    "delta_nslots": [[8], [16, 4]],
    "delta_memories": [['16GB', '8GB'], ['32GB', '8GB']],
}

run_optavc("OPT", options)

```

input 2:

```

molpro_mp2_regex = r''
molpro_ccsd(t)_regex = r''
molpro_hf_regex = r''

options = {
    "xtpl_templates": [['mp2_qz.dat', 'mp2_tz.dat'], ['mp2_qz.dat', 'mp2_tz.dat']],
    "xtpl_regexes": [[molpro_mp2_regex, molpro_mp2_regex], [[molpro_hf_regex, molpro_hf_
→ regex]],
    "xtpl_basis_sets": [[4, 3], [4, 3]],
    "xtpl_nslots": [[4, 4], [4, 4]],
    "xtpl_memories": [['12GB', '12GB'], ['12GB', '12GB']],
    "delta_templates": [['AE-mp2.dat', 'FC-mp2.dat'], ['ccsd(t).dat', 'FC-mp2.dat']],
    "delta_regexes": [[molpro_mp2_regex, molpro_mp2_regex], [molpro_ccsd(t), molpro_mp2_
→ regex]],
    "delta_nslots": [[8, 8], [16, 4]],
    "delta_memories": [['16GB', '8GB'], ['32GB', '8GB']],
}

run_optavc("OPT", options)

```

In the above example, no value was provided for *xtpl\_nslots* so the default *nslots* value was used to broadcast to the full form. For *xtpl\_regexes* only one value was given for the correlation and scf portions. These were therefore broadcast across the sublist. For *delta\_regexes* and *delta\_nslots* the same broadcast occurred, here the sublist defines a correction. For *xtpl\_memories* a single value is given for the entire option so it is broadcast across all lists

*xtpl\_names* and *delta\_names* are unique in that they have a special and custom default. All other options fall back to the corresponding *standard* option if no value is provided.

### 3.1.2 Required Options

To run an extrapolated calculation *xtpl\_regexes*, *xtpl\_basis\_sets*, and *xtpl\_templates* are required keywords. To run a composite calculation the above three keywords are required as well as *delta\_regexes*, and *delta\_templates*. All or None of these calculations must be set or an Error will be raised.

The behavior of the Delta and Xtpl classes is dictated almost entirely from these three keywords. All other keywords are for cluster interaction.

**For a given sublist if only 1 value is given for *\*templates\** or *\*regexes\** the other MUST contain two or more values.** Consider the previous example again:

```

molpro_mp2_regex = r''
molpro_ccsd(t)_regex = r''
molpro_hf_regex = r''

```

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```

options = {
    "xtpl_templates": [['mp2_qz.dat', 'mp2_tz.dat'], ['mp2_qz.dat', 'mp2_tz.dat']],
    "xtpl_regexes": [[molpro_mp2_regex], [molpro_hf_regex]],
    "xtpl_basis_sets": [[4, 3], [4, 3]],
    "xtpl_memories": "12GB",
    "delta_templates": [['AE-mp2.dat', 'FC-mp2.dat'], ['ccsd(t).dat', 'FC-mp2.dat']],
    "delta_regexes": [[molpro_mp2_regex], [molpro_ccsd(t), molpro_mp2_regex]],
    "delta_nslots": [[8], [16, 4]],
    "delta_memories": [['16GB', '8GB'], ['32GB', '8GB']],
}

run_optavc("OPT", options)

```

This calculation is run using the default dertype - "ENERGY". The user should know that molpro will print the ccsd(t) mp2 and hartree fock energies in the same output file in the course of running ccsd(t). This means only a handful of jobs need to be run 2 for the extrapolation and 3 additional jobs for the corrections instead of 8 total.

The length of *<option>\_templates* and *<option>\_regexes* will be (in general) inversely proportional. Optavc expects this even if the full specification is given as in input 2 only a certain number of unique templates and regexes are expected. This can be overspecified and optavc will run more jobs than necessary but optavc will quit if not enough are provided. For the extrapolation portion in the example above two unique calculations are performed based on the unique entires in *xtpl\_templates*. mp2\_qz.dat is run once. mp2\_tz.dat is run once. *molpro\_mp2\_regex* and *molpro\_hf\_regex* are used to get energies from both output files. Similar behavior occurs for *delta\_templates* and *delta\_regexes* The lengths of all required options are compared as a sanity check. For a given sublist if only 1 value is given for *templates* or *regexes* the other MUST contain two or more values.





## EXAMPLES

This will be the sole area for optavc examples

### 4.1 Optimizations

#### 4.1.1 Basic

For the most basic input, only the *program* and *energy\_regex* keywords are required. This tells optavc what program to the inputs generated from *template.dat* with and how to get the resulting energy from each output.

The regex matches a string that looks like:

```
CCSD(T) energy -123.4567891234
```

Note that the slashes are required to “escape” the parenthesis so that the parenthesis are matched as a literal character. The true meaning of the parentheses in regex is shown below. *(-?d\*.d\*)*. This matches a string that can or may not contain a - (In QM all our energies should be negative) followed by 0 or more numeric digits, followed by a dot . followed by 0 or more numeric digits. Since we know that there must be more than 1 digit *d+* is likely more fitting for the regex but this isn’t strictly necessary for our purposes. Surrounding these characters in parentheses creates a capture group which allows optavc to request the value itself from the regex module instead of just the entire line that the whole regex string matches.

For the sake of the example we set a few more options: *max\_force\_g\_convergence*: This isn’t an optavc keyword, this keyword is sent through optavc to psi4/optking to control how tightly the geometry is converged. Optavc just runs optking so all of optking’s keywords can be set here in optavc.

*points*: This controls the type of finite difference scheme Psi4 will use. This is an optavc keyword that is used to control Psi4’s internal machinery manually.

A bare bones input file:

```
import optavc

options = {
    # These two keywords would be sufficient to make OPTAVC run
    'program': 'cfour@2.0+mpi',
    'energy_regex': r"s*CCSD\(T\)senergy\s*(-?\d*\.\d*)",

    # required to modify psi4
    'max_force_g_convergence': 1e-7,
    'points': 5,
```

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```
}

optavc.run_optavc('OPT', options, restart_iteration=0)
```

### 4.1.2 Bad Input

An input file with unneeded input that few clusters can support well:

```
import optavc

options = {
    # These two keywords would be sufficient to make OPTAVC run
    'program': 'cfour@2.0+mpi',
    'energy_regex': r"\s*CCSD\(T\)\senergy\s*(-?\d*\.\d*)",

    # required to modify psi4
    'max_force_g_convergence': 1e-7,
    'findif_points': 5,

    # These are overriding defaults
    'queue': 'batch_30d',
    'nslots': 8,
    'memory': '92GB',
    'cluster': 'Sapelo'
}

optavc.run_optavc('OPT', options, restart_iteration=0)
```

First there's no need to use the cluster keyword. optavc will autodetect the cluster. Second If you're gonna be doing finite differences, the cluster will never be able to run so many jobs with these memory requirements. Computer hours matters just as much as human hours. Analytic Gradients offer better convergence behavior anyway - see every geometry optimization paper from the 90s. Instead you should try setting *dertype*: 'hessian' and reduce the memory requirements as far as possible. You can check how much memory a job required using the command *sacct -e*

### 4.1.3 Gradient

optimization using cfour analytic CCSD(T) gradients:

```
import optavc

cfour_grad_regex = r"\s*Molecular\s*gradient\s*-+\s*"
# "([A-Z]+\s#[0-9]+\s[xyz]\s*-?\d+\.\d+\s*)"
# This part is not required anymore. Only the header is required.

options = {
    'program': 'cfour@2.0+mpi',
    'template_file_path': 'template.dat',
    'energy_regex': r"\s*CCSD\(T\)\senergy\s*(-?\d*\.\d*)",
    'deriv_regex': cfour_grad_regex,
    'dertype': 'gradient',
```

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```
'queue': 'gen6.q',
'max_force_g_convergence': 1e-7
}

optavc.run_optavc('OPT', options, restart_iteration=0)
```

This is an example of how you can use a regex to fetch the gradient from an output file. In practice there is no need to do this you should use the *deriv\_file* keyword. For cfour this is used automatically and cannot be turned off actually because without the GRD file the gradient can be rotated strangely and introduce errors in the calculation.

#### 4.1.4 Transition State

An example of a transition state optimization followed by frequencies analysis to verify the stationary point character:

```
import optavc
import os

os.system(f'cp output.default.hess output.default.{os.getpid()}.hess')

cfour_grad_regex = r"\s*Molecular\s*gradient\s*-\+\s*"
c4_hess = r"\s*Ex\s*Ey\s*Ez"

options = {
    'program': 'cfour@2.0+mpi',
    'energy_regex': r"\s*CCSD\(\T\)\s*energy\s*(-?\d*\.\d*)",
    'deriv_regex': cfour_grad_regex,
    'dertype': 'gradient',
    'queue': 'gen6.q',
    'max_force_g_convergence': 1e-7,
    'cart_hess_read': True,
    'opt_type': 'TS'
}

gradient, energy, molecule = optavc.run_optavc('OPT', options, restart_iteration=0)

options.update({'deriv_regex': c4_hess,
               'template_file_path': 'template2.dat',
               'dertype': 'hessian',
               'hessian_write': True})

optavc.run_optavc('HESS', options, molecule=molecule)
```

There are some optking options left in the input for the second part of this calculation, psi4 will set these options, but no calls will be made to optking so there's no need to remove them before the hessian calculation. This really just shows how one can save the molecule from one optavc calculation and pass it into a second calculation.

### 4.1.5 Extrapolation

The following example demonstrates a simple two point extrapolation of gradients via singlepoints:

```
import optavc

molpro_ccsdt_regex = r''
molpro_scf_regex = r''

options_kwargs = {
    "program" : "molpro",
    "xtpl_basis_sets" : [[4, 3], [4, 3]],
    "xtpl_energy_regexes" : [[molpro_ccsdt_regex], [molpro_scf_regex]],
    "xtpl_templates" : [molpro_qz.dat, molpro_tz.dat], [molpro_qz.dat, molpro_tz.dat]]
}

optavc.run_optavc("OPT", options_kwargs)
```

All other options will resort to default values as described elsewhere. This calculation uses the same regex for each basis set but different template files. The reverse could also be done: different regexes for different basis sets but the same input file to run both. Note that the regexes are only input once. They are broadcast to the expected length so internally the keyword looks like:

```
"xtpl_energy_regexes" : [[molpro_ccsdt_regex, molpro_ccsdt_regex], [molpro_scf_regex,
↪molpro_scf_regex]],
```

### 4.1.6 Composite

A *real* example of a two point mp2 extrapolation using analytic gradients with a ccsd(t) correction at a dz basis set where some keywords are expanded more than necessary and some are left to be broadcast:

```
import os
import optavc

energy_regex = r"\s*\sTotal\sEnergy\s*=\s*(-\d*.\d*)"
mp2_reg = r"\s*DF-MP2\sTotal\sEnergy\s\(\a\.u\.\)\s*:\s*(-\d*.\d*)"
psi4_grad = r"\s*-Total\s*Gradient:\n\s*Atom[XYZ\s]*[-\s]*" # This is just the header i.
↪e.
ccsdt = r"\s*CCSD\(\T\)\senergy\s*(-?\d*.\d*)"
c4_grad = r"\s*Molecular\s*gradient\s*-\s*"
c4_mp2 = r"\s*The\sfinal\sselectronic\senergy\s\s\s*(-\d*.\d*)"

options_kwargs = {
    'program' : "psi4@master",
    'maxiter' : 100,
    'files_to_copy' : ['GENBAS'],
    'deriv_regex' : psi4_grad,
    'nslots' : 4,
    'max_force_g_convergence' : 1e-7,
    'ensure_bt_convergence' : True,
    'xtpl_templates' : ["mp2_qz.dat", "mp2_tz.dat"], ["scf_qz.dat", "scf_tz.dat"]
↪}],
```

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```

'xtpl_names'          : [['PR2a_mp2qz', 'PR2a_mp2tz'], ['PR2a_scfqz', "PR2a_scftz
↪']],
'xtpl_regexes'        : [[mp2_reg], [energy_regex]],
'xtpl_dertypes'        : [['gradient'], ['gradient']],
'xtpl_queues'          : [['gen4.q', 'gen3.q'], ['gen3.q']],
'xtpl_memories'        : [['30GB', '16GB'], ['16GB', '16GB']],
'xtpl_basis_sets'      : [[4, 3], [4, 3]],
'delta_templates'      : [['ccsdpT.dat', 'mp2_dz.dat']],
'delta_regexes'        : [[ccsdt, c4_mp2]],
'delta_programs'       : [['cfour@2.0+mpi']],
'delta_names'          : [['PR2a_CC', "PR2a_mp2dz"]],
'delta_deriv_regexes' : [[c4_grad, c4_grad]],
'delta_dertypes'       : [['gradient', 'gradient']],
'delta_parallel'       : [['mpi', 'serial']],
'delta_memories'       : [['60GB', '30GB']],
'delta_queues'         : [['gen6.q', 'gen4.q']],
}

gradient, energy, molecule = optavc.run_optavc('opt', options_kwarg, restart_
↪iteration=0)

```

## 4.2 Hessians

### 4.2.1 Basic

Bare bones hessian calculation:

```

import optavc

options = {
    # These two keywords would be sufficient to make OPTAVC run
    'program': 'cfour@2.0+mpi',
    'energy_regex': r"\s*CCSD\(T\)senergy\s*(-?\d*\.\d*)",
    'findif_points': 5,
    'hessian_write': True
}

optavc.run_optavc('HESSIAN', options, sow=True)

```

### 4.2.2 Composite

This is an example of a composite hessian calculation using analytic Hessians from cfour and analytic gradients in psi4:

```

import os
import optavc

energy_regex = r"\s*\sTotal\sEnergy\s*=\s*(-\d*\.\d*)"
mp2_reg = r"\s*DF-MP2\sTotal\sEnergy\s\(a\.u\.\)\s*:\s*(-\d*\.\d*)"
psi4_grad = r"\s*-Total\s*Gradient:\n\s*Atom\[XYZ\s*\[-\s*\]" # This is just the header i.

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↪ e.
ccsdt = r"\s*CCSD\(\T\)\\senergy\s*(-?\d*\.\d*)"
c4_mp2 = r"\s*The\sfinal\selectronic\senergy\sis\s*(-?\d*\.\d*)"
c4_hess = r"\s*Ex\s*Ey\s*Ez"

options_kwargs = {
    'program' : "psi4@master",
    'maxiter' : 100,
    'files_to_copy' : ['GENBAS'],
    'deriv_regex' : psi4_grad,
    'nslots' : 4,
    'max_force_g_convergence' : 1e-7,
    'ensure_bt_convergence' : True,
    'xtpl_templates' : [['mp2_qz.dat', 'mp2_tz.dat'], ["scf_qz.dat", "scf_tz.dat"]],
    ↪ "]]",
    'xtpl_names' : [['PR2a_mp2qz', 'PR2a_mp2tz'], ['PR2a_scfqz', "PR2a_scftz"]],
    ↪ "]]",
    'xtpl_regexes' : [[mp2_reg], [energy_regex]],
    'xtpl_dertypes' : [['gradient'], ['gradient']],
    'xtpl_queues' : [['gen4.q', 'gen3.q'], ['gen3.q']],
    'xtpl_memories' : [['30GB', '16GB'], ['16GB', '16GB']],
    'xtpl_basis_sets' : [[4, 3], [4, 3]],
    'delta_templates' : [['ccsdpT.dat', "mp2_dz.dat"]],
    'delta_regexes' : [[ccsdt, c4_mp2]],
    'delta_programs' : [['cfour@2.0+mpi']],
    'delta_names' : [['PR2a_CC', "PR2a_mp2dz"]],
    'delta_deriv_regexes' : [[c4_hess]],
    'delta_dertypes' : [['hessian']],
    'delta_parallel' : [['mpi', 'serial']],
    'delta_memories' : [['60GB', '30GB']],
    'delta_queues' : [['gen6.q', 'gen4.q']],
    'hessian_write' : True
}

gradient, energy, molecule = optavc.run_optavc('FREQUENCIES', options_kwargs, sow=True)

```

## 4.2.3 Hess-Opt-Hess

Final example:

```

import optavc
import os

cfour_grad_regex = r"\s*Molecular\s*gradient\s*-\+\s*"
c4_hess = r"\s*Ex\s*Ey\s*Ez"

options = {
    'program': 'cfour@2.0+mpi',
    'energy_regex': r"\s*CCSD\(\T\)\\senergy\s*(-?\d*\.\d*)",
    'deriv_regex': cfour_hess,

```

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```
'dertype': 'hessian',
'queue': 'gen6.q',
'max_force_g_convergence': 1e-7,
'memory': '64GB',
'hessian_write': True
}

hessian, energy, molecule = optavc.run_optavc('HESS', options)

options.update({'deriv_regex': c4_grad_regex,
               'template_file_path': 'template2.dat',
               'dertype': 'gradient',
               'cart_hess_red': True}) # Single PID for entire run no need to copy
↪hessian

optavc.run_optavc('opt', options, molecule=molecule)

options.update({"deriv_regex": cfour_grad_regex,
               "dertype": 'hessian',
               "template_file_path": 'template.dat'})

hessian, energy, molecule = optavc.run_optavc('HESS', options)
```





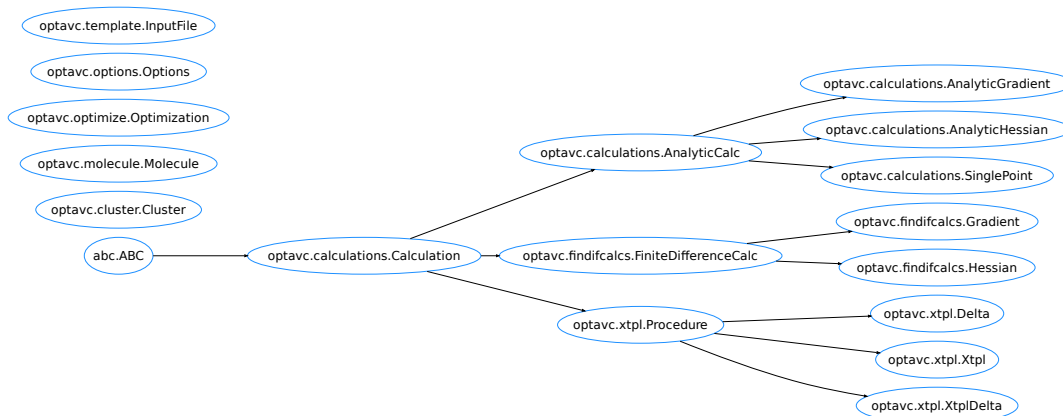
## HOW DOES OPTAVC WORK?

### 5.1 Class Structure

This is an introduction to the Class Structure of OPTAVC with inheritance diagrams. Optavc uses the following high level classes to organize and manage code. The logic for creating these objects can be found in *main.py*

#### 5.1.1 Classes for Performing Calculations

- **Optimization**  
Manages running optimizations through optking
- **Calculation**  
A base (abstract) class that defines the basic attributes and methods that higher level classes use
- **AnalyticCalculation**  
Another base class that provides basic functionality to SinglePoint, AnalyticGradient, and AnalyticHessian calculations and provides a unified interface so that running these calculations looks the same to FiniteDifferenceCalc classes
- **SinglePoint**  
Handles running individual energy calculations
- **AnalyticGradient**
- **AnalyticHessian**
- **FiniteDifferenceCalc**  
A base class for performing Gradient and Hessian calculations by finite differences using Psi4's findif objects
- **Gradient**  
Manages displacements and calculations for a gradient calculation by finite differences of energies
- **Hessian**  
Manages displacements and calculations for a Hessian calculation by finite differences of energies or gradients.



### 5.1.2 Low Level Classes

- **Options**  
All of optavcs options. Provides defaults and type checking
- **Molecule**  
A Basic Molecule object
- **InputFile**  
This object represents the molecule and calculation information obtained from the template file provided by the user

## 5.2 Calculation Classes

**class** `optavc.calculations.AnalyticCalc`(*molecule, inp\_file\_obj, options, path='.', key=None*)

Parent class for the three real types of calculations that can be run. All other child classes will have one or more instances of `AnalyticCalc` or instances of classes that have instances of `AnalyticCalc`.

This class contains the necessary code to perform the actual execution of Gradients, Singlepoints, and Hessians. For result collection please see `AnalyticGradient` and `Singlepoint` child classes

Still cannot be instantiated: the abstract method `get_result` is not implemented here.

**self.cluster**

a class that manages how a `Calculation` is able to interact with the `Cluster` queueing a submission system

**Type**

`cluster.Cluster`

**self.resub\_count**

keeps track of whether we have exceed `Options.resub_max` for each `Calculation`

**Type**

`int`

**run()**

This is the base implementation of run. calls cluster.submit or tries to execute the program on the host in a somewhat standard fashion (not guaranteed to work). The working directory must be changed to where the input has been written (the path of the Calculation) and then returns to the directory of the Parent Calculation. Returns the job\_id (or zero) if no cluster id Parent implemenations generally just call this method for each of their Calculation objects.

**write\_input()**

This is the base implementation of write\_input. Updates the input file object with this calculations molecule information, then writes it to the location given to this calculation by its Parent Calculation. Copy any other files needed. Parent implemenations generally just call this method for each of their Calculation objects.

**wait\_for\_calculation()**

uses Options.sleepy\_sleep\_time to hold until this specific calculation is finished

**check\_status(status\_str, return\_text=False)**

Check for status\_str within a output\_file. This is how optavc finds failed jobs. This information is necessary but not sufficient to resubmit a job on sapelo (job\_state must also be confirmed via queuing system)

**Parameters**

**status\_str** (*str*) – generally options.success\_regex or options.fail\_regex

**Returns**

- **bool** (*True if the string was found.*) – Read if check\_status(status\_string): statements with care
- **output\_text** (*str*) – if requested

**Raises**

**FileNotFoundError** –

**Notes**

method should called through get\_energy\_from\_output in standard workflow

**compute\_result()**

Wrapper method to run a calculation from scratch. Write inputs. Run calculations. Collect results for any and all Calculations AnalyticCalc and FindifCalc reimplement this with better ways to wait. The Procedure class does simply inherit this. :meta private:

```
class optavc.calculations.AnalyticGradient(molecule, inp_file_obj, options, disp_num=None, path='.',
                                          key=None)
```

This class was implemented in order to use CFour's analytic gradients with the psi4 CBS procedure. CCSD(T) gradients from CFour are not available through the Psi4/CFour interface.

Uses psi4.qcddb to rotate / align the gradient and molecule back into optavc's molecular orientation if using cfour gradients.

**get\_result()**

This is the first class in the hierarchy that is really meant to just be run without management by a Parent class. Therefore if the calculation is not finished, optavc will check the queue for this job at intervals. returns a numpy array

**get\_reference\_energy()**

All classes at a higher level than this in the hierarchy will now need the energy separte from the result

**str\_to\_ndarray(grad\_output)**

Take string with possible header from the output file or a specified gradient file and convert to psi4 matrix

## Notes

ignores any header grabs the last three columns of the last 'natom' lines and converts to a psi4 matrix via numpy array

```
class optavc.calculations.AnalyticHessian(molecule, inp_file_obj, options, disp_num=None, path='.', key=None)
```

This class was implemented in order to use CFour's analytic hessians with the psi4 CBS

This class performs the same functionality as AnalyticGradient. See docs.

**get\_reference\_energy()**

Get reference energy from gradient calculation

**Return type**

float

**hessian\_file\_lookup()**

Try to get the hessian from a special written file. Assuming a naive format.

Use psi4 qcdb machinery to get a hessian from cfour and ensure proper orientation

**rotate\_hessian(hessian)**

only needed for cfour. Same procedure as in psi4. Use grad file to rotate the internal molecular orientation back to the psi4 (user) orientation. Then rotate the hessian

**str\_to\_ndarray(grad\_output)**

Take string with possible header from the output file or a specified gradient file and convert to psi4 matrix

## Notes

ignores any header grabs the last three columns of the last 'natom' lines and converts to a psi4 matrix via numpy array

```
class optavc.calculations.Calculation(molecule, options, path='.', key=None)
```

**This is the Base class for everything calculation related in optavc. Its purpose is really to define the API for the write\_input, run, get\_result, and compute\_result methods.**

The basic Hierarchy of Calculation is:

Optimizations can contain one or more Procedure, FiniteDifferenceCalc, or AnalyticCalc (only 1 at a time)

Procedures can contain one or more FiniteDifferenceCalc or AnalyticCalc.

FiniteDifferenceCalc can itself contain one or more AnalyticCalc (always of the same kind)

In this hierarchy any Calculation that consists of other Calculations lower in the hierarchy is able to run all Calculations in parallel through the write\_inputs, run, and get\_result methods. Calling compute\_result repetively will result in non parallel execution of the sub calculations.

### molecule

[molecule.Molecule] optavc's custom very basic molecule class that can be interconverted to psi4's molecule

### options

[options.Object] At every level of the Calculation Hierarchy this will become a copy of the higher levels options with (potentially) modifications made by the higher level Calculation.

**path**  
[str] path-like representation of the directory where the Calculation itself will be run changes throughout the Calculation hierarchy

**write\_input()**  
write ALL input files for the Calculation class.

**run()**  
run ALL input files contained in the Calculation class. A simple submission of all jobs (at once) to the cluster.

**get\_result()**  
get ALL results for the Calculation class.

**self.reap compute\_result()**  
calls write\_input, run, and get\_result all together. This requires a waiting period between running the calculations and getting the results of course.

**class\_name()**  
return AnalyticGradient from <class 'optavc.calculations.AnalyticGradient'>

**compute\_result()**  
Wrapper method to run a calculation from scratch. Write inputs. Run calculations. Collect results for any and all Calculations AnalyticCalc and FindifCalc reimplement this with better ways to wait. The Procedure class does simply inherit this. :meta private:

**to\_dict()**  
Not generally used. Serialize all object attributes and add in subset of keywords

**class optavc.calculations.SinglePoint**(*molecule, inp\_file\_obj, options, path='.', disp\_num=1, key=None*)  
Handles lookup of the result for a Singlepoint. Extends AnalyticCalculation by adding the get\_result behavior for a Singlepoint.

**self.disp\_num**  
  
**Type**  
int

**get\_result()**  
get the energy (with a correction if needed) from an output file.

## 5.3 Finite Difference

**class optavc.findifcalcs.FiniteDifferenceCalc**(*molecule, inp\_file\_obj, options, path='.'*)  
A Calculation consisting of a series of AnalyticCalc objects with needed machinery to submit, collect and assemble these calculations.

One of two basic child classes of Calculation that holds a list of Calculations. This class is interfaced with Psi4's finite difference machinery in order to create calculations for each needed displacement.

Most of the complexity of the Finite Difference Algorithms exists within this class due to the difficulty encountered in resubmitting jobs on the Sapelo cluster.

Provides basic functionality for the Gradient and Hessian child classes.

**calculations**

all required singlepoints or gradients

**Type**

List[AnalyticCalc]

**failed**

singlepoint or gradient for which the result could not be found. calculations are added and removed with each collect\_failures call

**Type**

List[AnalyticCalc]

**job\_ids**

collection of job IDs from the cluster. job IDs are added whenever run is called. Removed whenever resub is called. Resub will replace an ID if the singlepoint is rerun.

**Type**

List[str]

**check\_resub\_count()**

Update self.failed to remove any calculations which have already been submitted the maximum number of times.

**collect\_failures** (*raise\_error=False*)

Collect all jobs which did not successfully exit in self.failed.

**Returns**

bool

**Return type**

False if unable to find any failures

**compute\_result()**

Wrapper method to run a calculation from scratch. Write inputs. Run calculations. Collect results for any and all Calculations AnalyticCalc and FindifCalc reimplement this with better ways to wait. The Procedure class does simply inherit this. :meta private:

**get\_reference\_energy()**

Get result stored in the finite difference dictionary

**Return type**

float

**make\_calculations()**

Use psi4's finite difference machinery to create displacements and singlepoint or gradient calculations

**reap** (*force\_resub=False*)

Collect results for all calculations. Resub if necessary and if allowed This method assumes that we have already told optavc to sleep after submitting all of our jobs. This is the required downtime between submission and checking the cluster, which can result in error. Not the down time for intermittently checking whether the job has finished. If called and jobs have not finished. Keep waiting

**resub** (*force\_resub=False*)

Rerun each calculation in self.failed as an individual job.

**run\_individual()**

Run analytic calculations for finite difference procedure

**Returns**

**list[str]** – job ids (from AnalyticCalc.run) for all job ids that were just run.

**Return type**

List[str]

**class** optavc.findifcalcs.**Gradient**(*molecule, input\_obj, options, path*)

Machinery to create inputs and collect results for running a gradient using Singlepoints.

As noted else where, as one of the Parent Classes, Gradient uses the write\_input, run, and get\_result methods for the Child class to perform the Singlepoint calculations in parallel.

Compatible with the Finite Difference machinery for Psi4 < 1.3.2 and > 1.4

**build\_findif\_dict()**

Gradient can only take energies

**findif\_methods()**

Can only do finite differences by energies.

**Returns**

- **create** (*func*) – function to create the displacements for a gradient
- **compute** (*func*) – function to collect singlepoints and calculate a gradient
- **constructor** (*func*) – constructor for creating the correct AnalyticCalc (Singlepoint)

**reap**(*force\_resub=False*)

Collect results for all calculations. Resub if necessary and if allowed This method assumes that we have already told optavc to sleep after submitting all of our jobs. This is the required downtime between submission and checking the cluster, which can result in error. Not the down time for intermitently checking whether the job has finished. If called and jobs have not finished. Keep waiting

**class** optavc.findifcalcs.**Hessian**(*molecule, input\_obj, options, path*)

Machinery to create inputs and collect results for a Hessian for any type of AnalyticCalc.

**findif\_methods()**

Use options obejct to determine how finite differences will be performed and what AnalyticCalc objects need to be made

**get\_reference\_energy()**

Get result stored in the finite difference dictionary

**Return type**

float

**reap**(*force\_resub=False*)

Collect results for all calculations. Resub if necessary and if allowed This method assumes that we have already told optavc to sleep after submitting all of our jobs. This is the required downtime between submission and checking the cluster, which can result in error. Not the down time for intermitently checking whether the job has finished. If called and jobs have not finished. Keep waiting

## 5.4 Composite Procedures

**class** optavc.xtpl.Delta(*job\_type, molecule, procedure\_options, path='./HESS', iteration=0*)

Child class of Procedure to represent performing an arbitrary number of additive corrections to gradients and Hessians.

This class is not really meant to be called without Xtpl. Please use XtplDelta.

**self.delta\_options\_list**

All of the delta\_<option> options in the standard format of a list of two dimensional corrections. These options will be used to create a series of Options objects by setting the corresponding standard options with the delta options entries.

Assumes the Options object contains only properly formatted options.

**Type**

List

**self.return\_result()**

Takes a simple difference between the first item in a two dimensional correction and the second. All corrections are then summed together and the sum is taken as the result

**class** optavc.xtpl.Procedure(*job\_type, molecule, procedure\_options, path='./HESS', iteration=0*)

A Procedure may be thought of as a list of Calculations with a matching list of instructions 'SOW' and 'REAP' to enable calculating a series of unique Calculations.

Creates AnalyticGradient, AnalyticHessian, Gradient (Finite Difference), and Hessian (Finite Difference) Calculation objects and runs them in parallel run.

This is a really just a framework for the Xtpl and Delta classes below. Would need to be generalized to implement new Procedures.

**get\_reference\_energy()**

Called reference to match findif method name reference in terms of displacements

**class** optavc.xtpl.Xtpl(*job\_type, molecule, procedure\_options, path='./HESS', iteration=0*)

A child class of Procedure.

Represents a basis set extrapolation of gradients or Hessians. This creates the Calculation objects needed to perform each individual calculation.

**self.xtpl\_option\_list**

all xtpl\_<option> options. These will be used to create more specific Options objects for the individual calculations

**Type**

list

**get\_result(force\_resub=False)**

collects all gradients or Hessians in self.calculations and performs the basis set extrapolation as described by Options.xtpl\_basis\_sets and Options.xtpl\_scf. Always performs a two point correlation energy extrapolation and can be either 2 point, 3 point or largest (additive) basis set extrapolation.

**get\_reference\_energy()**

Called reference to match findif method name reference in terms of displacements



**class** optavc.xtpl.XtplDelta(*job\_type, molecule, procedure\_options, path='./HESS', iteration=0*)

A Procedure written to run the Xtpl and Delta Procedures in parallel. Creates the Xtpl and Delta

Sequentially calls write\_input, run, and get\_result for the Xtpl and Delta procedures. Adds the results from Xtpl and Delta together.

#TODO this should be rewritten to utilize the \_reap\_sow\_ordering and unique\_calculations methods in the base class to eliminate redundant calculations between the Xtpl and Delta classes

## 5.5 Optimization

**class** optavc.optimize.Optimization(*molecule, input\_obj, options, xtpl\_inputs=None, path=''*)

Run AnalyticGradient and Gradient calculations or any procedures which contain and only contain those object types

**copy\_old\_steps**(*restart\_iteration, xtpl\_restart*)

If a directory is going to be overwritten by a restart copy the directories to backup and prevent steps > restart\_iteration are not immediately submitted.

**create\_opt\_gradient**(*iteration*)

Create Gradient with path and name updated by iteration

**Parameters**

**iteration** (*int*) –

**Returns**

**grad\_obj**

**Return type**

*findifcalcs.Gradient*

**enforce\_unique\_paths**(*grad\_obj*)

Ensure that for an optimization no two gradients can be run in the same directory. Keep a list of paths used in a optimization up to date.

Method should be called whenever a new Gradient is created and before it is run

**Parameters**

**grad\_obj** (*Gradient*) – The newly created Gradient object

### Notes

This is a warning for future development: If the gradient's path is not updated with each step, collect\_failures() will allow new steps to be taken in the same directory. When optavc checks the relevant output files, it will find them to be completed and run another calculation this will dump new jobs onto the cluster each time.

**Raises**

**ValueError** – This should not be caught. Indicates that changes:

**run**(*restart\_iteration=0, user\_xtpl\_restart=None*)

This replicates some of the new psi4 optimize driver

**run\_calc**(*iteration, restart\_iteration, grad\_obj, force\_resub=True*)

run a single gradient for an optimization. Reaping if iteration, restart\_iteration, and xtpl\_reap indicate this is possible

**Parameters**

- **iteration** (*int*) –
- **restart\_iteration** (*int*) – indicates (with iteration) whether to sow/run or just reap previous energies
- **grad\_obj** (*findifcalcs.Gradient*) –
- **force\_resub** (*bool, optional*) – If the FIRST reap fails, resubmit all jobs to cluster for any gradient that “should” have already been completed based on iteration, restart\_iteration, and xtpl\_reap

**Returns****grad****Return type**

psi4.core.Matrix

**Notes**

Reassemble gradients as possible. Always restart based on iteration number If the we’re rechecking the same input file in xtpl\_procedure, xtpl\_reap must be set

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