

## PROBLEMS

### 1. Helium Hartree-Fock

Wavefunction ansatz:

$$\varphi(\vec{r}) = \sum_{p=1}^4 C_p \chi_p(\vec{r}) \quad \chi_p(\vec{r}) = e^{-\alpha_p r^2}$$

According to Thijssen,  $C_p$  satisfy

$$\sum_{pq} (h_{pq} + \sum_{rs} C_r C_s Q_{prqs}) C_q = E \sum_{pq} S_{pq} C_q$$

We need  $h_{pq}$ ,  $Q_{prqs}$  and  $S_{pq}$ .

$$h_{pq} := \langle \chi_p | -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 - \frac{2}{r} | \chi_q \rangle =$$

$$= \int d\vec{r} \chi_p(\vec{r}) \left( -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 - \frac{2}{r} \right) \chi_q(\vec{r}) =$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{aligned} \nabla^2 e^{-\alpha r^2} &= \frac{1}{r} \partial_r^2 (r e^{-\alpha r^2}) = \\ &= \frac{1}{r} \partial_r (e^{-\alpha r^2} - 2\alpha r^2 e^{-\alpha r^2}) = \\ &= \frac{1}{r} (-2\alpha r - 4\alpha r + 4\alpha^3 r^3) e^{-\alpha r^2} = \\ &= (4\alpha^3 r^2 - 6\alpha) e^{-\alpha r^2} \end{aligned} \right\} =$$

$$= \int d\vec{r} e^{-\alpha_p r^2} \left( 3\alpha_q - 2\alpha_q^3 r^2 - \frac{2}{r} \right) e^{-\alpha_q r^2}$$

$$= 4\pi \int_0^\infty dr r^2 \left( 3\alpha_q - 2\alpha_q^3 r^2 - \frac{2}{r} \right) e^{-(\alpha_q + \alpha_p)r^2}$$

Standard integrals:

$$\int_0^{\infty} r e^{-\alpha r^2} dr = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\alpha}$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} r^2 e^{-\alpha r^2} dr = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\alpha^3}}$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} r^4 e^{-\alpha r^2} dr = \frac{3}{8} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\alpha^5}}$$

Use these to evaluate  $h_{pq}$ :

$$h_{pq} = 4\pi \int_0^{\infty} dr (3\alpha_q r^2 - 2\alpha_q^3 r^4 - 2r) e^{-(\alpha_q + \alpha_p)r^2} =$$

$$= 4\pi \left[ 3\alpha_q \left( \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{(\alpha_p + \alpha_q)^3}} \right) - \right.$$

$$\left. - 2\alpha_q^3 \left( \frac{3}{8} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{(\alpha_p + \alpha_q)^5}} \right) - 2 \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\alpha_p + \alpha_q} \right) \right] =$$

$$= 3\pi\alpha_q \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{(\alpha_p + \alpha_q)^3}} - 3\pi\alpha_q^3 \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{(\alpha_p + \alpha_q)^5}} - \frac{4\pi}{\alpha_p + \alpha_q}$$

Similarly:

$$S_{pq} := \langle \chi_p | \chi_q \rangle = \int d^3r e^{-(\alpha_p + \alpha_q)r^2} =$$

$$= 4\pi \int_0^{\infty} dr r^2 e^{-(\alpha_p + \alpha_q)r^2} = \pi \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{(\alpha_p + \alpha_q)^3}}$$

Thijssen gives  $Q_{pqrs}$  as

$$Q_{pqrs} = \frac{2\pi^{5/2}}{(\alpha_p + \alpha_q)(\alpha_r + \alpha_s)\sqrt{\alpha_p + \alpha_q + \alpha_r + \alpha_s}}$$

(from difficult integral)

### Solution algorithm

Let  $\vec{C} = (C_0 \ C_1 \ C_2 \ C_3)^T$ .

Given:  $h_{pq}$ ,  $S_{pq}$ ,  $Q_{pqrs}$

1. Pick arbitrary initial  $\vec{C}$

2. Normalize  $\vec{C}$ :

2b. Compute  $\|C\|^2 = \sum_{p,q} C_p S_{pq} C_q$

2b. Scale  $\vec{C} \mapsto \frac{\vec{C}}{\sqrt{\|C\|^2}}$

3. Compute matrix  $F$ :

$$F_{pq} = h_{pq} + \sum_{r,s} Q_{pqrs} C_r C_s$$

4. Solve generalized eigenvalue problem

$$F \vec{C} = E' S \vec{C}$$

Pick the solution with lowest  $E'$   
as new  $\vec{C}$ . Repeat from 2.

## Generalized Eigenvalue problem

$$F\vec{C} = E'S\vec{C}$$

Assume  $S$  real symmetric

$$\Rightarrow \exists U: U^T S U = D$$

where  $D$  is diagonal.  $D^{-1/2}$  is well defined (operate elementwise).

If  $V = U D^{-1/2}$ , then

$$V^T S V = I$$

$$\text{Let } \vec{C} = V \vec{C}' \Leftrightarrow \vec{C}' = V^T \vec{C}$$

Now note that

$$F\vec{C} = E'S\vec{C}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow V^T F V \vec{C}' = E' V^T S V \vec{C}' = E' \vec{C}',$$

so  $\vec{C}'$  is given by solving

$$(V^T F V) \vec{C}' = E' \vec{C}'.$$

This is the normal eigenvalue problem!

$\vec{C}$  is then given by  $\vec{C} = V \vec{C}'$ .