

Ground state energy of quantum dots using the coupled cluster method

Winther-Larsen, Sebastian Gregorius^{1,*} and Schøyen, Øyvind Sigmundson^{1,*}

¹University of Oslo

(Dated: April 9, 2018)

Something about coupled-cluster... Preferably doubles.

CONTENTS

I. Introduction	1
II. Theory	1
A. Second quantization	1
B. The coupled cluster approximation	1
References	2

I. INTRODUCTION

In this project we will study the ground state energy of quantum dots.

II. THEORY

In this project we will study a system of N interacting electrons. We will be looking at a Hamiltonian consisting of a one-body and a two-body part. The one-body part is given by

$$h(\mathbf{r}_i) = -\frac{1}{2}\nabla_i^2 + \frac{1}{2}\omega^2\mathbf{r}_i^2, \quad (1)$$

where we use natural units $\hbar = c = e = 1$ and set the mass to unity. The two-body part is the Coulomb interaction potential.

$$v(\mathbf{r}_i, \mathbf{r}_j) = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|}. \quad (2)$$

We thus get the total Hamiltonian

$$H = \sum_{i=1}^N h(\mathbf{r}_i) + \sum_{i<j}^N v(\mathbf{r}_i, \mathbf{r}_j). \quad (3)$$

Next we define the reference Slater determinant as

$$|\Phi_0\rangle \equiv |1, 2, \dots, N\rangle, \quad (4)$$

where $|p\rangle$ are the single particle functions that satisfies the equation

$$h|p\rangle = \varepsilon_p|p\rangle. \quad (5)$$

* Project code: <https://github.com/Schoyen/FYS4411>

They are the eigenfunctions to the one-body part of the Hamiltonian and are thus harmonic oscillator functions. Note that $|\Phi_0\rangle$ consists of the N first occupied single particle functions. We will denote the occupied indices with $i, j, k, l, \dots \in \{1, \dots, N\}$, the virtual states with $a, b, c, d, \dots \in \{N+1, \dots, L\}$ and general indices with $p, q, r, s, \dots \in \{1, \dots, L\}$.

A. Second quantization

We now move over to a use second quantization. Employing the creation operators, a_p^\dagger , and the destruction operators, a_p , we can write the Hamiltonian as

$$H = \sum_{pq} h_q^p a_p^\dagger a_q + \sum_{pqrs} w_{rs}^{pq} a_p^\dagger a_q^\dagger a_s a_r, \quad (6)$$

where the sums are general indices over all L basis states and the matrix elements are defined as

$$h_q^p \equiv \langle p|h|q\rangle, \quad (7)$$

$$w_{rs}^{pq} \equiv \langle pq|v|rs\rangle. \quad (8)$$

In the case of the eigenstates we have that the one-body operator reduces to a diagonal matrix.

$$h_q^p = \langle p|h|q\rangle = \varepsilon_q \langle p|q\rangle = \varepsilon_q \delta_{pq}, \quad (9)$$

where δ_{pq} is the Kronecker-Delta.

B. The coupled cluster approximation

We approximate the true wavefunction, $|\Psi\rangle$, of the system by the coupled cluster wavefunction, $|\Psi_{CC}\rangle$, defined as

$$|\Psi_{CC}\rangle \equiv e^T |\Phi_0\rangle. \quad (10)$$
