# Ground state energy of quantum dots using the coupled cluster method

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# INTRODUCTION

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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

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

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

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

We thus get the total Hamiltonian

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

 $\{|p\rangle\}_{n=1}^{L} = \{|i\rangle\}_{i=1}^{N} \cup \{|a\rangle\}_{a=N+1}^{L},$ 

i.e., the general indexed states consists of both occupied and virtual states. Note that the single particle functions are orthonormal, i.e.,

where h is the full one-body operator and u the full twobody operator, i.e., over the entire system. Working in a basis of L single particle functions,  $\{|p\rangle\}_{p=1}^L$ . We define

the reference Slater determinant as

$$\langle p|q\rangle = \delta_{pq}.\tag{6}$$

(5)

We can construct other Slater determinants in this basis by exciting or relaxing the reference determinant. A general excitation is labeled  $|\Phi^{ab...}_{ij...}\rangle$  which means that we have removed the single particle functions with indices  $i, j, \ldots$  from the reference and added  $a, b, \ldots$  Note that

$$\langle \Phi_{ij\dots}^{ab\dots} | \Phi_0 \rangle = 0, \tag{7}$$

for any excitation.

# Second quantization

Employing the creation operators,  $a_p^{\dagger}$ , and the destruction operators,  $a_p$ , we can write the Hamiltonian as

$$H = \sum_{pq} h_q^p a_p^{\dagger} a_q + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{pqrs} \langle pq | | rs \rangle a_p^{\dagger} a_q^{\dagger} a_s a_r, \qquad (8)$$

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

$$h_q^p \equiv \langle p|h|q\rangle, \tag{9}$$

$$\langle pq||rs\rangle \equiv \langle pq|u|rs\rangle - \langle pq|u|sr\rangle. \tag{10}$$

Note that we use the chemists notation to label the antisymmetric matrix elements.

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

# B. The coupled cluster approximation

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

$$|\Psi_{\rm CC}\rangle \equiv e^T |\Phi_0\rangle = \left(\sum_{i=0}^n \frac{1}{n!} T^n\right) |\Phi_0\rangle,$$
 (11)

where the *cluster operator*, T, is given by a sum of p-excitation operators labeled  $T_p$ . They consist of *cluster amplitudes*,  $t_{i...}^{a...}$ , and creation and annihilation operators.

$$T = T_1 + T_2 + \dots + T_p \tag{12}$$

$$= \sum_{ia} t_a^a a_a^{\dagger} a_i + \left(\frac{1}{2!}\right)^2 \sum_{ijab} t_{ij}^{ab} a_a^{\dagger} a_b^{\dagger} a_i a_j + \dots$$
 (13)

In the doubles approximation we limit the cluster operator to

$$T \equiv T_2 = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{ijab} t_{ij}^{ab} a_a^{\dagger} a_b^{\dagger} a_j a_i. \tag{14}$$

The first part of the coupled cluster method consists of constructing the cluster amplitudes using the *amplitude* equations. After we have found the amplitudes we can compute the energy.

# C. Energy of the coupled cluster approximation

When we're going to compute the energy of a system using the coupled cluster approximation we would ideally want to find the expectation value of the energy using the coupled cluster wavefunction.

$$E_{\rm CC} = \langle \Psi_{\rm CC} | H | \Psi_{\rm CC} \rangle. \tag{15}$$

As it turns out, this is an uncomfortable way of finding the energy as  $T \neq T^{\dagger}$ . Instead we will define what we call the *similarity transformed Hamiltonian*. We plug the coupled cluster wavefunction into the Schrödinger equation.

$$H|\Psi_{\rm CC}\rangle = E_{\rm CC}|\Psi_{\rm CC}\rangle.$$
 (16)

Next, we left multiply with the inverse of the cluster expansion, i.e.,

$$e^{-T}H|\Psi_{\rm CC}\rangle = e^{-T}E_{\rm CC}|\Psi_{\rm CC}\rangle = E_{\rm CC}|\Phi_0\rangle.$$
 (17)

Projecting this equation on the reference state we get

$$E_{\rm CC} = \langle \Phi_0 | e^{-T} H | \Psi_{\rm CC} \rangle = \langle \Phi_0 | e^{-T} H e^T | \Phi_0 \rangle, \tag{18}$$

where in the latter inner-product we have located the similarity transformed Hamiltonian defined by

$$\bar{H} \equiv e^{-T} H e^{T}. \tag{19}$$

To simplify the energy equation and the amplitude equations we use the normal ordered Hamiltonian.

$$H = H_N + \langle \Phi_0 | H | \Phi_0 \rangle. \tag{20}$$

The energy equation thus becomes

$$E_{\rm CC} = \langle \Phi_0 | \bar{H} | \Phi_0 \rangle = E_0 + \langle \Phi_0 | e^{-T} H_N e^T | \Phi_0 \rangle, \quad (21)$$

where the reference energy is given by

$$E_0 = \langle \Phi_0 | H | \Phi_0 \rangle. \tag{22}$$

We now define the normal ordered similarity transformed Hamiltonian as

$$\bar{H}_N \equiv e^{-T} H_N e^T. \tag{23}$$

By expanding the exponentials of this Hamiltonian and recognizing the commutators we get the Baker-Campbell-Hausdorff expansion.

$$\bar{H}_N = H_N + [H_N, T] + \frac{1}{2!} [[H_N, T], T] + \dots$$
 (24)

From the connected cluster theorem we know that the only nonzero terms in the Baker-Campbell-Hausdorff expansion will be the terms where the normal ordered Hamiltonian has at least one contraction<sup>1</sup> with every cluster operator on its right. This lets us write the expansion as

$$\bar{H}_N = H_N + (H_N T)_c + \frac{1}{2!} (H_N T^2)_c + \dots,$$
 (25)

where the subscript c signifies that only contributions where at least one contraction between  $H_N$  and T has been performed will be included.

# 1. Coupled cluster doubles energy equation

Using the doubles approximation with the cluster operator  $T_2$  defined in Equation 14 the energy equation becomes

$$E_{\text{CCD}} = E_0 + \langle \Phi_0 | e^{-T_2} H_N e^{T_2} | \Phi_0 \rangle.$$
 (26)

As the doubles cluster operator doubly excites the reference and using the expansion in Equation 25 we see that we can write the energy equation as

$$E_{\text{CCD}} = E_0 + \langle \Phi_0 | H_N | \Phi_0 \rangle + \langle \Phi_0 | (H_N T_2)_c | \Phi_0 \rangle, \quad (27)$$

as the Hamiltonian is only able to relax one pair of single particle functions. By construction we have that

$$\langle \Phi_0 | H_N | \Phi_0 \rangle = 0. \tag{28}$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In the Wick's theorem sense.

In the second term only the normal ordered two-body operator can contribute as the cluster operator gives a total excitation of +2. As we are projecting onto the reference we have to relax to zero again. The normal ordered Fock operator is at most able to excite and relax by 1 and does therefore not contribute to the overall expression.

$$\langle \Phi_0 | (W_N T_2)_c | \Phi_0 \rangle = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{ijab} \langle ij | |ab\rangle t_{ij}^{ab}.$$
 (29)

In total the energy equation reduces to

$$E_{\text{CCD}} = \sum_{i} h_{i}^{i} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \langle ij||ij\rangle + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{ijab} \langle ij||ab\rangle t_{ij}^{ab}, \quad (30)$$

where the first two terms come from the reference energy as shown in Equation A10.

## D. Coupled cluster amplitude equations

In order for us to solve the energy equation using the coupled cluster approximation we need to figure out what the cluster amplitudes,  $t_{ij...}^{ab...}$ , are. This is done by projecting Equation 17 onto an excited Slater determinant, i.e.,

$$\langle \Phi_{ij...}^{ab...} | e^{-T} H e^{T} | \Phi_0 \rangle = 0. \tag{31}$$

Note that in the amplitude equations we can use both the regular and the normal ordered Hamiltonian. They are equal as the reference energy term disappears due to Equation 7. The order of the excitation in the projection determines the order of the amplitudes you will find. In our case we are only interested in the second order ampltiudes found in the doubles approximation, hence we will solve the equation

$$\langle \Phi_{ij}^{ab} | e^{-T} H_N e^T | \Phi_0 \rangle = 0, \tag{32}$$

to find an expression that can be used to solve for  $t_{ij}^{ab}$ . By employing the Baker-Campbell-Haussdorf (BCH) expansion, while setting  $T=T_2$ , we find

$$\bar{H} = \left(H_N + H_N T_2 + \frac{1}{2} H_N T_2^2 + \frac{1}{6} H_N T_2^3 + \frac{1}{24} H_N T_2^4\right)_C.$$
(33)

The subscript c indicates that only those terms in which the Hamiltonian is connected<sup>2</sup> to every cluster operator on its right should be included. Since the Hamiltonian contains at most four annihilation and creation operators,  $H_N$  can connect to at most four cluster operators at once. Therefor, the BCH expansion must truncate at the fourth-order terms.

$$\begin{split} \langle \Phi_{ij}^{ab} | (F_N + V_N) | \Phi_0 \rangle \\ &= \sum_{pq} f_{pq} \langle \Phi_0 | \{ a_i^{\dagger} a_j^{\dagger} a_b a_a \} \{ a_p^{\dagger} a_q \} | \Phi_0 \rangle \\ &+ \frac{1}{4} \sum_{pqrs} \langle pq | |rs \rangle \langle \Phi_0 | \{ a_i^{\dagger} a_j^{\dagger} a_b a_a \} \{ a_p^{\dagger} a_q^{\dagger} a_s a_r \} | \Phi_0 \rangle. \end{split}$$

$$(34)$$

The one-electron component does not have any full contractions, while the two-electron component produces one contributing integral,

$$\langle \Phi_{ij}^{ab}|(V_N)|\Phi_0\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{pqrs} \langle pq||rs\rangle \langle \Phi_0|\{a_i^{\dagger}a_j^{\dagger}a_ba_a\}\{a_p^{\dagger}a_q^{\dagger}a_sa_r\}|\Phi_0\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{pqrs} \langle pq||rs\rangle$$

$$\times \left(\{a_i^{\dagger}a_j^{\dagger}a_ba_aa_p^{\dagger}a_q^{\dagger}a_sa_r\} + \{a_i^{\dagger}a_j^{\dagger}a_ba_aa_p^{\dagger}a_q^{\dagger}a_sa_r\}\right)$$

$$+ \{a_i^{\dagger}a_j^{\dagger}a_ba_aa_p^{\dagger}a_q^{\dagger}a_sa_r\} + \{a_i^{\dagger}a_j^{\dagger}a_ba_aa_p^{\dagger}a_q^{\dagger}a_sa_r\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{pqrs} \langle pq||rs\rangle (\delta_{ap}\delta_{bq}\delta_{js}\delta_{ir} - \delta_{aq}\delta_{bp}\delta_{js}\delta_{ir}$$

$$- \delta_{ap}\delta_{bq}\delta_{jr}\delta_{is} + \delta_{aq}\delta_{bp}\delta_{jr}\delta_{is})$$

$$= \langle ab||ij\rangle = u_{ij}^{ab}. \tag{35}$$

 $^2$  In a Wick's theorem sense

Next we would like to evaluate  $\langle \Phi_{ij}^{ab} | (F_N + V_N) T_2 | \Phi_0 \rangle$ .

Now comes the rather tedious task of evaluating all the terms that arises from inserting Equation 33 into Equation 32. The first of such terms is

Starting with the term involving the Fock operator  $F_N$ ,

$$\begin{split} &=\frac{1}{4}\sum_{pq}\sum_{klcd}f_{pq}t_{kl}^{cd}\langle\Phi_{0}|\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}\}(\{a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}\}\{a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\})_{c}|\Phi_{0}\rangle\\ &=\frac{1}{4}\sum_{pq}\sum_{klcd}f_{pq}t_{kl}^{cd}\\ &\times\left(\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}\\ &+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}\\ &+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}\\ &+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}\\ &+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}\\ &+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}\\ &+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}\\ &+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}\\ &+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}\\ &+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}\\ &+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}\\ &+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}\\ &+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k}\}+\{a_{i}^{\dagger}a_{j}^{\dagger}a_{b}a_{a}a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}a_{c}^{\dagger}a_{d}^{\dagger}a_{l}a_{k$$

Where in the last steps we have consigned the sums by Einstein summation notation. We have also only included the two-body part of the fock operator, because we are dealing with double excitations (relaxations) only.

(36)

One could of course continue in this manner, employing Wick's general theorem to all terms that arises from combining Equation 33 Equation 32, but because this task is quite strenuous, we employ the second quantisation library from SymPy instead<sup>3</sup>. The CCD amplitude equation, from SymPy computation, is

$$\begin{split} 0 = & u_{ij}^{ab} + t_{ij}^{ac} u_{cm}^{bm} P(ab) + t_{ik}^{ab} u_{jsm}^{mk} P(ij) \\ + & \frac{1}{4} t_{ij}^{cd} t_{nm}^{ab} u_{cd}^{nm} + \frac{1}{2} t_{ij}^{cd} u_{cd}^{ab} \\ - & \frac{1}{2} t_{jm}^{cd} t_{in}^{ab} u_{cd}^{nm} P(ij) - \frac{1}{2} t_{nm}^{ac} t_{ij}^{bd} u_{cd}^{nm} P(ab) \\ - & t_{im}^{ac} t_{jn}^{bd} u_{cd}^{nm} P(ij) + t_{im}^{ac} u_{jc}^{bm} P(ab) P(ij) \\ + & \frac{1}{2} t_{nm}^{ab} u_{ij}^{nm}, \end{split} \tag{37}$$

where we recognize the first three terms.

# E. Constructing the matrix elements

Having found the equations needed in order to find an estimate to the ground state energy using the coupled cluster doubles approximation is a well and dandy. But, we need basis functions to create the matrix elements needed to feed into the coupled cluster code. Often these basis functions are not known and we have to use an approximation or utilize Hartree-Fock to create more optimized basis functions.

## 1. Harmonic oscillator basis

We will be looking at a system of two-dimensional quantum dots with a Coulomb repulsion. If we assume, or make it so, that the repulsive two-body part is small we can use eigenfunctions of the one-body part our basis. In this case we have two-dimensional harmonic oscillator functions as eigenfunctions. We can then compute the matrix elements,  $h_q^p$  and  $u_{rs}^{pq}$ , before feeding these into the coupled cluster code.

In polar coordinates we can write the harmonic oscillator wavefunction for a single particle in two dimensions as<sup>4</sup>.

$$\phi_{nm}(r,\theta) = N_{nm}(ar)^{|m|} L_n^{|m|}(a^2r^2) e^{-a^2r^2/2} e^{im\theta}, \quad (38)$$

where  $a = \sqrt{m\omega/\hbar}$  is the Bohr radius,  $L_n^{|m|}$  is the associated Laguerre polynomials, n and m are the principal and azimuthal quantum numbers respectively and  $N_{nm}$  is a normalization constant given by

$$N_{nm} = a\sqrt{\frac{n!}{\pi(n+|m|)!}}. (39)$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This is also more in the spirit of this project, as it is in the realm of Computational Physics.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Note that this is without spin. As we are looking at fermions this means that each mode of the harmonic oscillator functions will be repeated twice.

$$\epsilon = 3 \qquad n = 0, m = -2 \qquad n = 1, m = 0 \qquad n = 0, m = 2$$

$$\epsilon = 2 \qquad n = 0, m = -1 \qquad n = 0, m = 1$$

$$\epsilon = 1 \qquad n = 0, m = 0$$

FIG. 1: In this plot we can see the energy degeneracy of the lowest three energy levels in the two-dimensional quantum dot. Each arrow representes a spin up or a spin down state with the quantum numbers n and m as listed below.

Included is also the spin,  $\sigma$ , of the wavefunction, which can be either up or down. This means each level, (n, m), is doubly occupied. We also have that the wavefunctions are orthonormal

$$\langle n_1 m_1 \sigma_1 | n_2 m_2 \sigma_2 \rangle = \delta_{n_1 n_2} \delta_{m_1 m_2} \delta_{\sigma_1 \sigma_2}. \tag{40}$$

The eigenenergy of a single harmonic oscillator is given by

$$\epsilon_{nm} = \hbar\omega(2n + |m| + 1). \tag{41}$$

Our next job is now to create a mapping from the three quantum numbers n, m and  $\sigma$  to a single quantum number  $\alpha$  as the matrices h and u use single indices for each wavefunction. In Figure 1 we can see the energy levels that needs to be mapped.

Starting from the bottom and working our way upwards from left to right we can label each line from 0 to n in increasing order. This enumeration will serve as our common quantum number  $\alpha^5$ . We will only work with full *shells*, i.e., we restrict our views to systems of N particles where N will be a magic number which we get by counting all spin states for each energy level and the energy levels below. In Figure 1 we can see the magic number  $N \in [2, 6, 12]$ .

The normalization condition now reads

$$\langle \alpha | \beta \rangle = \delta_{\alpha\beta} \delta_{\sigma_{\alpha}\sigma_{\beta}}, \tag{42}$$

The one-body matrix will be a diagonal matrix with the eigenenergies of the single particle harmonic oscillator functions as elements.

$$\langle \alpha | h | \beta \rangle = \epsilon_{\beta} \delta_{\alpha\beta} \delta_{\sigma_{\alpha}\sigma_{\beta}}. \tag{43}$$

The two-body matrix elements are a little harder to work out as the harmonic oscillator wavefunctions are not eigenfunctions to the correlation operator. Luckily, from E. Anisimovas and A. Matulis (Equation A2)[1] we

$$\langle \alpha \beta || \gamma \delta \rangle = \langle \alpha \beta |\gamma \delta \rangle - \langle \alpha \beta |\delta \gamma \rangle. \tag{44}$$

As we only need to compute these once it is a good idea to save all non-zero values of  $\langle \alpha \beta || \gamma \delta \rangle$  to a file.

# 2. Constructing the Hartree-Fock basis

Having found the matrix elements of h and u we can now use the *self-consistent field iteration* method to construct h and u in a *restricted Hartree-Fock* basis. This will yield a better estimate to the actual, unknown basis functions of the system.

# Appendix A: The normal ordered Hamiltonian

When constructing the normal ordered Hamiltonian we use Wick's theorem to write the one-body, h, and the two-body, u, operators onto a normal ordered form. Specifically we define the normal ordered form in terms of the  $Fermi\ vacuum^6$ . That is, an operator on normal ordered form destroys the reference Slater determinant.

We start by writing the one-body operator, h, to its normal-ordered form.

$$h = \sum_{pq} h_q^p a_p^{\dagger} a_q = \sum_{pq} h_q^p \left( \{ a_p^{\dagger} a_q \} + \{ a_p^{\dagger} a_q \} \right)$$
 (A1)

$$= \sum_{pq} h_q^p \{a_p^{\dagger} a_q\} + \sum_{pq} h_q^p \delta_{p \in i} \delta_{pq} \tag{A2}$$

$$=h_N + \sum_i h_i^i, \tag{A3}$$

where we have used  $\delta_{p \in i}$  to mean that p must be an occupied index. Doing the same for the two-body operator is a slightly more tedious endeavor. For brevity we will only write out the operator strings and only keep the non-zero contributions.

$$a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}^{\dagger}a_{s}a_{r} = \{a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}^{\dagger}a_{s}a_{r}\} + \{a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}^{\dagger}a_{s}a_{r}\} + \{a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}^{\dagger}a_{s}a_{r}\}$$

$$+ \{a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}^{\dagger}a_{s}a_{r}\} + \{a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}^{\dagger}a_{s}a_{r}\}$$

$$+ \{a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}^{\dagger}a_{s}a_{r}\} + \{a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}^{\dagger}a_{s}a_{r}\}$$

$$+ \{a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}^{\dagger}a_{s}a_{r}\} + \{a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}^{\dagger}a_{s}a_{r}\}$$

$$= \{a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}^{\dagger}a_{s}a_{r}\} - \delta_{p\in i}\delta_{ps}\{a_{q}^{\dagger}a_{r}\} + \delta_{p\in i}\delta_{pr}\{a_{q}^{\dagger}a_{s}\}$$

$$+ \delta_{q\in i}\delta_{qs}\{a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{r}\} - \delta_{q\in i}\delta_{qr}\{a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{s}\}$$

$$- \delta_{p\in i}\delta_{ps}\delta_{q\in j}\delta_{qr} + \delta_{p\in i}\delta_{pr}\delta_{q\in j}\delta_{qs}.$$
 (A5)

can get an analytical expression for the two-body matrix elements. We can then construct the antisymmetric two-body matrix elements in the harmonic oscillator basis.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Note that we use greek letters  $\alpha, \beta, \dots$  for the harmonic oscillator wavefunctions as opposed to latin letters for the general indices.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Fermi vacuum defines the reference state, i.e.,  $|\Phi_0\rangle$ , as the vacuum.

Inserted into the full two-body operator and sorting out the sums we get

$$u = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{pqrs} \langle pq | | rs \rangle \{ a_p^{\dagger} a_q^{\dagger} a_s a_r \} - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{iqr} \langle iq | | ri \rangle \{ a_q^{\dagger} a_r \}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{4} \sum_{iqs} \langle iq | | is \rangle \{ a_q^{\dagger} a_s \} + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{pir} \langle pi | | ri \rangle \{ a_p^{\dagger} a_r \}$$

$$- \frac{1}{4} \sum_{pis} \langle pi | | is \rangle \{ a_p^{\dagger} a_s \} - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{ij} \langle ij | | ji \rangle$$

$$+ \frac{1}{4} \sum_{ij} \langle ij | | ij \rangle.$$
(A6)

Using the antisymmetric properties of the two-body matrix elements,

$$\langle pq||rs\rangle = -\langle pq||sr\rangle = -\langle qp||rs\rangle = \langle qp||sr\rangle,$$
 (A7)

and relabeling of the indices we can rearrange and collect some terms.

$$u = W_N + \sum_{pir} \langle pi||ri\rangle \{a_p^{\dagger} a_r\} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \langle ij||ij\rangle, \quad (A8)$$

where the normal ordered two-body operator is

$$W_N = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{pqrs} \langle pq | | rs \rangle \{ a_p^{\dagger} a_q^{\dagger} a_s a_r \}. \tag{A9}$$

When we now construct the full Hamiltonian we can collect some terms. The constants in both the one-body and the two-body operator in total constitues the reference energy.

$$E_0 \equiv \langle \Phi_0 | H | \Phi_0 \rangle = \sum_i h_i^i + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \langle ij | |ij \rangle.$$
 (A10)

Combining the normal ordered one-body operator and the second term in the two-body operator, i.e., the term with a single creation and annihilation operator pair, we get the normal ordered Fock-operator.

$$F_N = \sum_{pq} h_q^p \{a_p^{\dagger} a_q\} + \sum_{pqi} \langle pi || qi \rangle \{a_p^{\dagger} a_q\}$$
 (A11)

$$=\sum_{pq}f_{q}^{p}\{a_{p}^{\dagger}a_{q}\},\tag{A12}$$

where we have defined the Fock matrix elements as

$$f_q^p = h_q^p + \sum_i \langle pi||qi\rangle. \tag{A13}$$

In total we get the full Hamiltonian

$$H = F_N + W_N + \langle \Phi_0 | H | \Phi_0 \rangle$$

$$= H_N + \langle \Phi_0 | H | \Phi_0 \rangle,$$
(A14)

which is what we wanted to show.[2]

## Appendix B: Coupled cluster doubles diagrams

In order to get an expression for the energy equation and the amplitude equations we use a diagrammatic approach.

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