

Computation of Forces Arising from the Linear Poisson-Boltzmann Method in the Domain Decomposition Paradigm

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 - Macroscopic treatment of solvent using physical properties
 - Less computational cost

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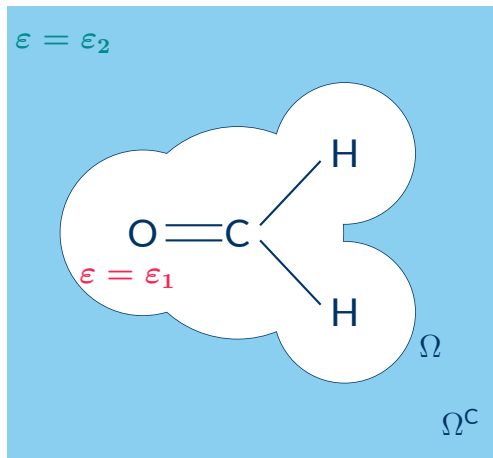


Figure 1: Formaldehyde molecule

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- $\varepsilon(\mathbf{x})$ – Space-dependent dielectric permittivity

$$\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} \varepsilon_1 & \text{in } \Omega, \\ \varepsilon_2 & \text{in } \Omega^C := \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \bar{\Omega} \end{cases}$$

- Ω – Solute Cavity

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$$\rho_M(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^M q_i \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i)$$

- M – Number of solute atoms
- q_i – Partial charge on the i^{th} atom

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 - **Does not rely on mesh** but quadrature points⁷
 - Computation of forces becomes natural as spheres are centered at nucleus position

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- The LPB equation can be written in two equations

$$\begin{aligned} -\Delta \psi(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{4\pi}{\varepsilon_1} \rho_M(\mathbf{x}) && \text{in } \Omega, \\ -\Delta \psi(\mathbf{x}) + \kappa^2 \psi(\mathbf{x}) &= 0 && \text{in } \Omega^c, \end{aligned}$$

with

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where

- ψ_r – Reaction potential in Ω
- ψ_0 – Potential generated by ρ_M satisfying,

$$-\Delta\psi_0 = \frac{4\pi}{\varepsilon_1} \rho_M$$

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- ψ_e – Extended potential from Ω^C to Ω
- σ_e – Charge density generating ψ_e satisfying

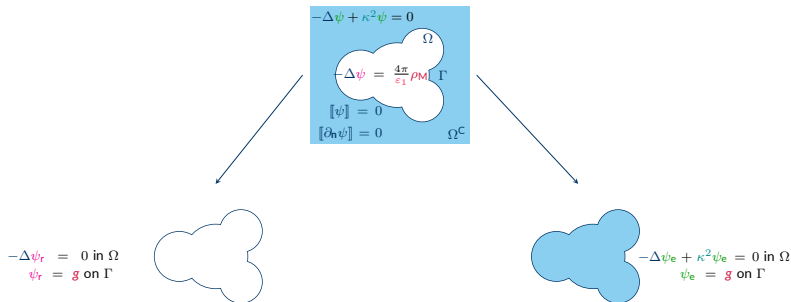
$$S_\kappa \sigma_e(x) := \int_\Gamma \frac{\exp(-\kappa|x-y|) \sigma_e(y)}{4\pi|x-y|} = \psi_e \quad \forall x \in \Gamma$$

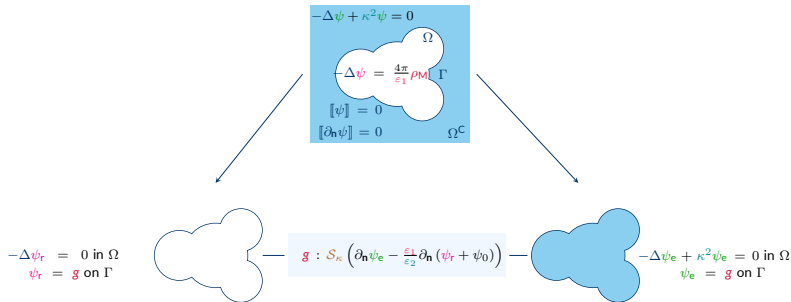
- S_κ – Invertible single-layer potential operator¹

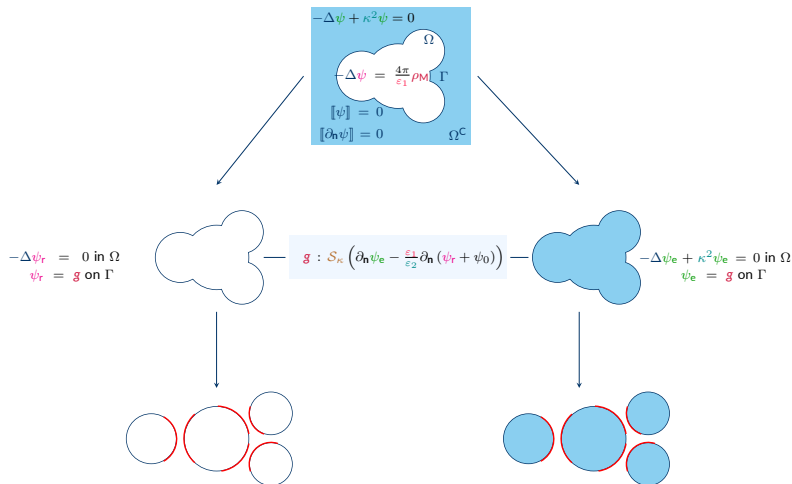
$$S_\kappa : H^{-1/2}(\Gamma) \rightarrow H^{1/2}(\Gamma)$$

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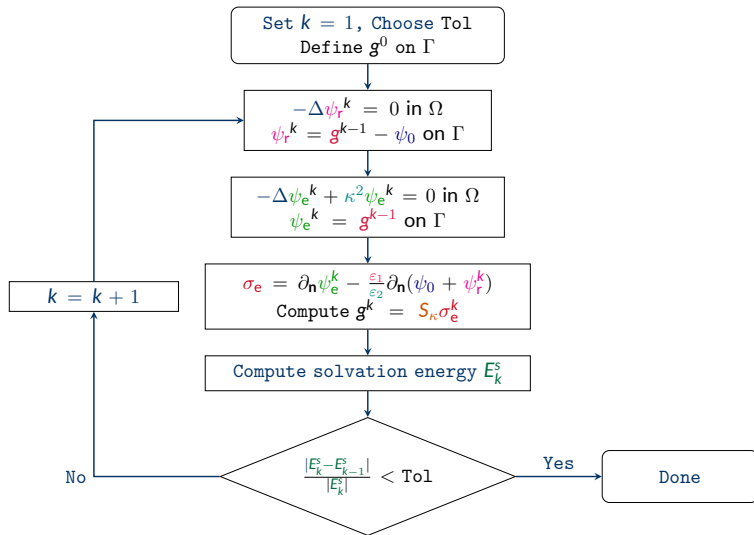
$$\begin{aligned}
 &-\Delta\psi + \kappa^2\psi = 0 \\
 &-\Delta\psi = \frac{4\pi}{\epsilon_1}\rho_M \quad \Gamma \\
 &[[\psi]] = 0 \\
 &[[\partial_n\psi]] = 0 \quad \Omega^c
 \end{aligned}$$







Global strategy



- Energy for LPB equations¹

$$E_s = \frac{1}{2} \langle \psi_r, \rho_M \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^M \langle X, Q \rangle_j,$$

where,

$$[Q]_{j\ell m} = \begin{cases} q_j \delta_{\ell 0} \delta_{m 0}, & \text{if } 1 \leq j \leq M, \\ 0 & \text{if } M < j \leq 2M. \end{cases}$$

and

$$\langle X, Q \rangle_j = \sum_i [X]_{ji} [Q]_{ji}.$$

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with

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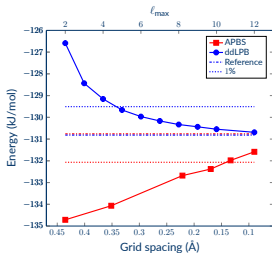
- Test Structure²

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1etn	180	Enterotoxin
1qjt	9046	EH1 Domain

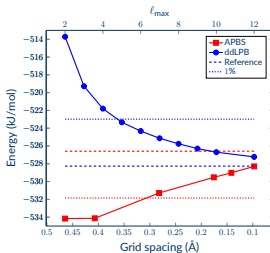
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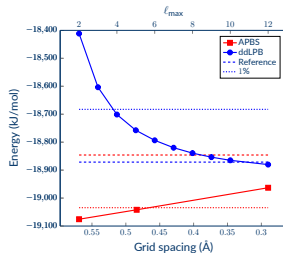
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(b) 1etn

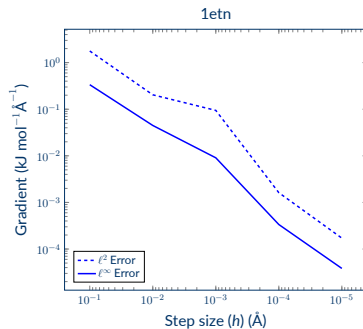
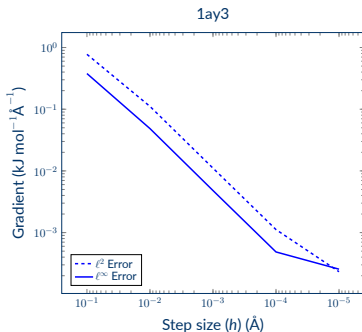


(c) 1qjt

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PDB Code	ddLPB					APBS			
	ℓ_{\max}	Energy (kJ/mol)	Rel. En.	Mem. (GB)	Iter.	h (Å)	Energy (kJ/mol)	Rel. En.	Mem. (GB)
1ay3 (25)	2	-126.5891	0.0323	0.0347	5	0.4353	-134.7127	0.0302	0.0215
	3	-128.4347	0.0182	0.0463	6	0.0127	-134.0656	0.0253	0.0218
	4	-129.1554	0.0127	0.0416	6	0.2213	-132.6796	0.0147	0.0638
	5	-129.6607	0.0088	0.0473	6	0.1697	-132.3780	0.0124	0.1244
	6	-129.9653	0.0065	0.0569	6	0.1333	-131.9791	0.0093	0.2448
	7	-130.1668	0.0050	0.0752	6	0.0900	-131.5849	0.0063	0.7906
	8	-130.3308	0.0037	0.0922	6				
	9	-130.4356	0.0029	0.1249	6				
	10	-130.5462	0.0021	0.1525	6				
	12	-130.6886	0.0010	0.2873	6				
1qjt (9046)	2	-18 411.4422	0.0244	1.2203	6	0.5690	-19 075.6126	0.0122	2.9358
	3	-18 603.4737	0.0142	3.1045	8	0.4840	-19 041.8281	0.0104	4.7910
	4	-18 701.0889	0.0090	6.9332	9	0.2900	-18 962.9862	0.0062	24.8033
	5	-18 757.4013	0.0060	13.7357	10				
	6	-18 793.3707	0.0041	24.7674	10				
	7	-18 819.8066	0.0027	41.5118	11				
	8	-18 839.1510	0.0017	65.6922	11				
	9	-18 853.5883	0.0009	99.2852	11				
	10	-18 864.8898	0.0003	144.5051	11				
	12	-18 880.1518	0.0005	279.6300	11				

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