

Nonlocal Pseudopotential Correction Revisited

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- Objective: Explicitly suppress excitation to above-bandgap states [Wang, JPCM 31, 214002 ('19)].
- Definitions [cf. 12/7/20]
Let $\{\epsilon_n^{nl} | n=0, \dots, N_{orb}-1\}$ be Kohn-Sham (KS) energies of N_{orb} KS orbitals incorporating nonlocal pseudopotential (NLP), which are passed from main Maxwell-Ehrenfest-surface hopping (MESH) Fortran code at time $t=0$.

$$[-\frac{\nabla^2}{2} + \hat{v}_{loc} + \hat{v}_{nl}] |\psi_n^{nl}\rangle = \epsilon_n^{nl} |\psi_n^{nl}\rangle, \quad (1)$$

where \hat{v}_{loc} & \hat{v}_{nl} are local & nonlocal potentials and $\{|\psi_n^{nl}\rangle | n=0, \dots, N_{orb}-1\}$ are KS wave functions.

Local field dynamics (LFD) is initiated by solving self-consistent field (SCF) iterations using only (unscreened) local pseudopotential to obtain shadow orbitals $\{|\psi_n\rangle | n=0, \dots, N_{orb}-1\}$ that satisfy

$$[-\frac{\nabla^2}{2} + \hat{v}_{loc}] |\psi_n\rangle = \epsilon_n^{\text{shadow}} |\psi_n\rangle \xrightarrow{\text{psi0[]}} \xleftarrow{\text{eshadow_gamma[]}} \quad (2)$$

where $\{\epsilon_n^{\text{shadow}} | n=0, \dots, N_{orb}-1\}$ are shadow KS energies.

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- LFD with NLP correction

Consider time propagation of shadow wave functions

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\psi_n(t)\rangle = \hat{h}(t) |\psi_n(t)\rangle \quad (3)$$

$\hat{h}(t) \xrightarrow{\text{psi}[t]}$

where $|\psi_n(t=0)\rangle = |\psi_n\rangle$. Time-dependent Hamiltonian in Eq.(3) is defined as

$$\hat{h}(t) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\nabla}{i} + \frac{1}{c} \mathbf{A}(t) \right)^2 + \hat{v}_{loc}(\mathbf{r}, t) + \hat{v}_{nl} \quad (4)$$

$$= \hat{h}_{loc}(t) + \hat{v}_{nl} \quad (5)$$

where $\mathbf{A}(t)$ is spatially-uniform vector potential and $v_{loc}(\mathbf{r}, t)$ reflects the change of Hartree & exchange-correlation (xc) potentials due to time evolution of electron density.

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- Time propagator

Time evolution of shadow wave function during quantum-dynamics (QD) time step, Δ_{QD} , is achieved by Trotter expansion,

$$|\psi_n(t + \Delta_{\text{QD}})\rangle = e^{-i\hat{V}_{\text{nl}}\Delta_{\text{QD}}/2} e^{-i\hat{H}_{\text{loc}}(t + \Delta_{\text{QD}}/2)\Delta_{\text{QD}}} e^{-i\hat{V}_{\text{nl}}\Delta_{\text{QD}}/2} |\psi_n(t)\rangle. \quad (6)$$

While local propagator, $e^{-i\hat{H}_{\text{loc}}(t + \Delta_{\text{QD}}/2)\Delta_{\text{QD}}}$, is handled by self-consistent unitary propagator [7/9/21], we use a simple Euler propagator for nonlocal time propagator [Vlcek, JCP 150, 184118 ('19)],

$$e^{-i\hat{V}_{\text{nl}}\Delta_{\text{QD}}/2} |\psi\rangle \approx \frac{1 - i\hat{V}_{\text{nl}}\Delta_{\text{QD}}/2}{\| (1 - i\hat{V}_{\text{nl}}\Delta_{\text{QD}}/2) |\psi\rangle \|} |\psi\rangle \quad (7)$$

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- NLP correction by projection

We operate \hat{V}_{nl} approximately by projecting wave functions to vector space \mathcal{V} spanned by $\{|n\rangle\}$.

Let the projection operator to \mathcal{V} be

$$\mathcal{P} \equiv \sum_{n=0}^{N_{orb}-1} |n\rangle \langle n| = \sum_{n=0}^{N_{orb}-1} |n\rangle \langle n|. \quad (8)$$

Then, for $|\psi\rangle$,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{V}_{nl} |\psi\rangle &= \hat{V}_{nl} [\mathcal{P} + (1 - \mathcal{P})] |\psi\rangle \\ &= \sum_n \hat{V}_{nl} |n\rangle \langle n| |\psi\rangle + \underbrace{\hat{V}_{nl} (1 - \mathcal{P}) |\psi\rangle}_{\approx 0} \\ &= \sum_n \hat{V}_{nl} |n\rangle \langle n| |\psi\rangle \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

We introduce a scissor-like approximation,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{V}_{nl} |\psi\rangle &= \sum_n \hat{V}_{nl} |n\rangle \langle n| |\psi\rangle \\ &\approx \sum_n (\epsilon_n^{nl} - \epsilon_n^{\text{shadow}}) |n\rangle \langle n| |\psi\rangle \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

- Scissor correction

With $\text{Iscissor} > 0$ in dcmesh code, we adopt scissor-correction scheme [12/9/20], such that

$$\tilde{\epsilon}_n^{\text{nl}} = \begin{cases} \epsilon_n^{\text{shadow}} + \Delta_{\text{sci}} & (n \geq n_{\text{LUMO}}) \\ \epsilon_n^{\text{shadow}} & (n \leq n_{\text{HOMO}}) \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

replaces ϵ_n^{nl} in Eq.(10), where scissor shift is

$$\Delta_{\text{sci}} = (\epsilon_{\text{LUMO}}^{\text{nl}} - \epsilon_{\text{HOMO}}^{\text{nl}}) - (\epsilon_{\text{LUMO}}^{\text{shadow}} - \epsilon_{\text{HOMO}}^{\text{shadow}}) \quad (12)$$

and LUMO/HOMO denote lowest-unoccupied/highest-occupied molecular orbitals.

With scissor approximation, NLP operator becomes

$$\hat{v}_{\text{nl}} |\psi\rangle = \Delta_{\text{sci}} \sum_{n_{\text{LUMO}}}^{\text{Norb}-1} |n\rangle \langle n| \psi \rangle \quad (13)$$

The energy correction is

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\text{nlc}} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\text{Norb}-1} f_n \langle \psi_n | \hat{v}_{\text{nl}} | \psi_n \rangle \\ &= \sum_n f_n \Delta_{\text{sci}} \sum_{m \geq \text{LUMO}} \sum_{m' \geq \text{LUMO}} \underbrace{\langle \psi_n | m \rangle \langle m | m' \rangle \langle m' | \psi \rangle}_{\delta_{mm'}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore E_{\text{nlc}} = \Delta_{\text{sci}} \sum_{n=0}^{\text{Norb}-1} f_n \sum_{m=n_{\text{LUMO}}}^{\text{Norb}-1} |\langle m | \psi_n \rangle|^2 \quad (14)$$

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- Time propagation

According to Eq.(7), NLP time propagation is

$$|\psi_n\rangle \leftarrow (1 - i\hat{U}_{nl}\Delta_{QD}/2) |\psi_n\rangle \\ = |\psi_n\rangle - \frac{i\Delta_{sci}\Delta_{QD}}{2} \sum_{m=n_{LUMO}}^{N_{orb}-1} |m\rangle \langle m| |\psi_n\rangle \quad (15)$$

$\hookrightarrow \text{psi}[i] \quad \hookrightarrow \text{psi}[o]$

$$|\psi_n\rangle \leftarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{\langle \psi_n | \psi_n \rangle}} |\psi_n\rangle \quad (16)$$

* Excited components of $|\psi_n\rangle$ will acquire fast phase rotation, to be suppressed; thus excitation will be suppressed without resonance with above-bandgap optical phase rotation.

* For PTO400nm,

$$\Delta_{QD} = 0.02 \text{ au}$$

$$\Delta_{sci} = (\underbrace{0.3793 - 0.2406}_{E_{gap}^{nl}}) - (\underbrace{0.6371 - 0.6017}_{E_{gap}^{\text{shadow}}}) \\ = 0.1033 \text{ au}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\Delta_{sci}\Delta_{QD}}{2} = \frac{0.1033 \times 0.02}{2} = 1.033 \times 10^{-3} \ll 1$$

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- Single QD step algorithm

nlp-prop() // Half-time NLP propagation, Eqs. (15) & (16)

pot-prop() // Half-time potential propagation

kin-prop-spectral() // Full-time kinetic propagation

~ or series of space-splitting method (SSM) propagators

pot-prop()

nlp-prop()

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- Electric current

Paramagnetic current is computed as [6/25/20],

$$\mathbf{j}^P(\mathbf{r}) = - \sum_n f_n \operatorname{Re} [\psi_n^*(\mathbf{r}) \frac{\nabla}{i} \psi_n(\mathbf{r})].$$

Consider the action of current operator on wave function,

$$\frac{\nabla}{i} |\psi\rangle = \frac{\nabla}{i} [\mathcal{P} + (1-\mathcal{P})] |\psi\rangle \quad (17)$$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{\nabla}{i} \sum_{m=0}^{N_{\text{orb}}-1} |m\rangle \langle m| \psi}_{(1-\mathcal{P})|\psi\rangle} + \frac{\nabla}{i} (1-\mathcal{P}) |\psi\rangle \quad (18)$$

$$\approx \sum_{l=0}^{N_{\text{orb}}-1} |l\rangle \langle l| \frac{\nabla}{i} |m\rangle \langle m| \psi$$

$$= \sum_{l=0}^{N_{\text{orb}}-1} \sum_{m=0}^{N_{\text{orb}}-1} |l\rangle \langle l| \frac{\nabla}{i} |m\rangle \langle m| \psi + \frac{\nabla}{i} (1-\mathcal{P}) |\psi\rangle \quad (19)$$

$\langle \psi | \times \text{Eq. (19)}$

$$\mathcal{P} \equiv \operatorname{Re} \langle \psi | \frac{\nabla}{i} |\psi\rangle \quad (20)$$

$$= \sum_{l,m} \underbrace{\langle \psi | l \rangle \operatorname{Re} \langle l | \frac{\nabla}{i} | m \rangle \langle m | \psi \rangle}_{\equiv P_{lm}} + \langle \psi | \frac{\nabla}{i} (1-\mathcal{P}) |\psi\rangle \quad (21)$$

$$= \sum_{l,m} \langle \psi | l \rangle P_{lm} \langle m | \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | \frac{\nabla}{i} (1-\mathcal{P}) |\psi\rangle \quad (22)$$

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Following Eq.(22) in Wang'19, we apply scissor correction to current matrix element,

$$\tilde{P}_{lm} = \frac{\tilde{\epsilon}_l^{nl} - \tilde{\epsilon}_m^{nl}}{\epsilon_l^{\text{shadow}} - \epsilon_m^{\text{shadow}}} P_{lm} = \frac{\tilde{\epsilon}_{lm}^{nl}}{\epsilon_{lm}^{\text{shadow}}} P_{lm} \quad (23)$$

Accordingly, change of current due to NLP correction is

$$\Delta P = \langle \psi | \hat{V}_i | \psi \rangle - \langle \psi | \tilde{V}_i | \psi \rangle \quad (24)$$

$$= \sum_{l,m} \langle \psi | l \rangle \left(\frac{\tilde{\epsilon}_{lm}^{nl}}{\epsilon_{lm}^{\text{shadow}}} - 1 \right) P_{lm} \langle m | \psi \rangle \quad (25)$$

With scissor correction, Eq.(11),

$$\tilde{\epsilon}_{lm}^{nl} = \begin{cases} \epsilon_{lm}^{\text{shadow}} + \Delta_{\text{sci}} & (l \geq n_{\text{LUMO}}, m \leq n_{\text{HOMO}}) \\ \epsilon_{lm}^{\text{shadow}} - \Delta_{\text{sci}} & (l \leq n_{\text{HOMO}}, m \geq n_{\text{LUMO}}) \end{cases} \quad (26)$$

Substituting Eq.(26) into (25),

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta P &= \sum_{l \geq n_{\text{LUMO}}} \sum_{m \leq n_{\text{HOMO}}} \langle \psi | l \rangle \frac{\Delta_{\text{sci}}}{\epsilon_{lm}^{\text{shadow}}} P_{lm} \langle m | \psi \rangle \\ &\quad + \underbrace{\sum_{l \leq n_{\text{HOMO}}} \sum_{m \geq n_{\text{LUMO}}} \langle \psi | l \rangle \frac{\Delta_{\text{sci}}}{\epsilon_{lm}^{\text{shadow}}} P_{lm} \langle m | \psi \rangle}_{l \leftrightarrow m} \quad (27) \\ &\quad \sum_{m \leq n_{\text{HOMO}}} \sum_{l \geq n_{\text{LUMO}}} \langle \psi | m \rangle \frac{\Delta_{\text{sci}}}{\epsilon_{ml}^{\text{shadow}}} P_{ml} \langle l | \psi \rangle \\ &\quad = + \epsilon_{lm}^{\text{shadow}} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\therefore SIP = \sum_{l \geq n_{LUMO}} \sum_{m \leq n_{HOMO}} \frac{\Delta_{sci}}{E_{lm}^{\text{shadow}}} [\langle 4|l\rangle P_{lm} \langle m|\psi \rangle + \langle 4|l\rangle P_{lm}^* \langle \psi|m \rangle]$$

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Note the current operator is in fact [6/25/20]

$$\begin{aligned} IP_{lm} &= \frac{1}{2} \int d\mathbf{r} \left[m^*(\mathbf{r}) \frac{\nabla}{i} l(\mathbf{r}) - \left(\frac{\nabla}{i} m^*(\mathbf{r}) \right) l(\mathbf{r}) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int d\mathbf{r} \left[l^*(\mathbf{r}) \frac{\nabla}{i} m(\mathbf{r}) - \left(\frac{\nabla}{i} l^*(\mathbf{r}) \right) m(\mathbf{r}) \right]^* \\ &= P_{lm}^* \end{aligned}$$

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Substituting Eq. (29) to (28),

$$\begin{aligned} SIP &= \sum_{l \geq n_{LUMO}} \sum_{m \leq n_{HOMO}} \frac{\Delta_{sci}}{E_{lm}^{\text{shadow}}} [\langle 4|l\rangle P_{lm} \langle m|\psi \rangle + \langle 4|l\rangle P_{lm}^* \langle m|\psi \rangle^*] \\ &\quad - 2 \operatorname{Re} \langle 4|l\rangle P_{lm} \langle m|\psi \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore SIP = 2 \sum_{l \geq n_{LUMO}} \sum_{m \leq n_{HOMO}} \frac{\Delta_{sci}}{E_{lm}^{\text{shadow}}} \operatorname{Re} [\langle 4|l\rangle P_{lm} \langle m|\psi \rangle] \quad (30)$$

where

$$P_{lm} = \frac{1}{2} \int d\mathbf{r} \left[l^*(\mathbf{r}) \frac{\nabla}{i} m(\mathbf{r}) - \left(\frac{\nabla}{i} l^*(\mathbf{r}) \right) m(\mathbf{r}) \right] \quad (31)$$

Consider paramagnetic current

$$\mathbf{j}P(\mathbf{r}) = - \sum_n f_n \operatorname{Re} [\psi_n^*(\mathbf{r}) \frac{\nabla}{i} \psi_n(\mathbf{r})] \quad (32)$$

and its contribution to average current

$$J_{\text{avg}}^P \equiv \frac{1}{\Omega} \int_{\Omega} d\mathbf{r} jP(\mathbf{r}) \quad (33)$$

$$= - \frac{1}{\Omega} \sum_n f_n \int_{\Omega} d\mathbf{r} \operatorname{Re} [\psi_n^*(\mathbf{r}) \frac{\nabla}{i} \psi_n(\mathbf{r})] \quad (34)$$

Substituting Eq.(30) to (34), NLP correction to average current is

$$\delta J_{\text{avg}} = - \frac{2}{\Omega} \sum_n f_n \sum_{l \geq n_{\text{LMO}}} \sum_{m \leq n_{\text{HOMO}}} \frac{\Delta_{\text{sci}}}{\epsilon_{lm}^{\text{shadow}}} \times \operatorname{Re} [\langle \psi_n | l \rangle P_{lm} \langle m | \psi_n \rangle] \quad (35)$$

where

$$P_{lm} = \frac{i}{2} \int d\mathbf{r} [l^*(\mathbf{r}) \frac{\nabla}{i} m(\mathbf{r}) - (\frac{\nabla}{i} l^*(\mathbf{r})) m(\mathbf{r})] \quad (36)$$

- * The ground-state orbitals $\{l(\mathbf{r}) | l=1, \dots, N_{\text{orb}}-1\}$ are all real, thus (if Γ -point)

$$P_{lm} = - \frac{i}{2} \int d\mathbf{r} [l(\mathbf{r}) \nabla m(\mathbf{r}) - (\nabla l(\mathbf{r})) m(\mathbf{r})] \quad (37)$$

is pure imaginary.

Ground-State Start

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- Since we now only consider ground-state start,

$$f_n = \begin{cases} 2 & (n \leq n_{\text{homo}}) \\ 0 & (n \geq n_{\text{lumo}}) \end{cases}, \quad (38)$$

we are able to simplify NLP-correction computation.

- Energy correction

$$\epsilon_{\text{nlc}} = \Delta_{\text{sci}} \sum_{n=0}^{\text{n}_{\text{homo}}} f_n \sum_{m=n_{\text{lumo}}}^{\text{Norb}-1} |\langle m | \psi_n \rangle|^2 \quad (39)$$

- Time propagation

if $n \leq n_{\text{homo}}$

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi_n\rangle &\leftarrow (1 - i\hat{v}_{\text{nl}} \Delta_{\text{QD}}/2) |\psi_n\rangle \\ &= |\psi_n\rangle - \frac{i\Delta_{\text{sci}} \Delta_{\text{QD}}}{2} \sum_{m=n_{\text{lumo}}}^{\text{Norb}-1} \underbrace{|\langle m | \psi_n \rangle}_{\psi_{\text{sc}}[\cdot]} |\langle m | \psi_n \rangle \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

$$|\psi_n\rangle \leftarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{\langle \psi_n | \psi_n \rangle}} |\psi_n\rangle \quad (46)$$

- Current

For occupied state $n (\leq n_{\text{homo}})$, overlap with initial orbital $\langle m | \psi_n \rangle$ is dominated by that with itself in Eq. (35). Hence, we only retain $m=n$ term in m-sum.

$$\delta J_{\text{avg}} = -\frac{2}{\Omega} \sum_{n=0}^{\text{n}_{\text{homo}}} f_n \sum_{l \geq n_{\text{LUMO}}} \frac{\Delta_{\text{sci}}}{E_{ln}^{\text{shadow}}} \text{Re}[\langle \psi_n | l \rangle P_{ln} \langle n | \psi_n \rangle] \quad (40)$$

where

$$P_{ln} = \frac{1}{2} \int d\mathbf{r} [\ell^*(\mathbf{r}) \nabla_l n(\mathbf{r}) - (\nabla_l \ell^*(\mathbf{r})) n(\mathbf{r})] \quad (41)$$

* While J_{avg} can be used for computing optical conductivity [Wang, JPCM 31, 214002 ('19)], its effect on electron dynamics through induced vector potential is very small in current multiscale Maxwell-solver setting [7124-26/21]. In fact, for slab thickness = 0, there is no effect by J_{avg} on electron propagation.



Temporally disable NLP correction on current.