Homework 3 Lectures 4: Electronic Structure Models (CBE 60553)

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Here is an example input deck for a HFS/6-31G calculation on NH₃. This is a good starting template for the calculations below. You can also construct an input deck in Avogadro. Refer to the GAMESS manual for more information.

! File created by the GAMESS Input Deck Generator Plugin for Avogadro \$BASIS GBASIS=N31 NGAUSS=6 \$END \$CONTRL RUNTYP=ENERGY DFTTYP=SLATER \$END

\$DA	TA			
Titl	е			
C1				
N	7.0	-1.03363	0.80618	0.00000
H	1.0	-0.01363	0.80618	0.00000
H	1.0	-1.37362	1.64340	-0.47314
H	1.0	-1.37363	0.79732	0.96162
\$EN	D			

1 GAMESS vs. FDA

Using GAMESS, perform a DFT/Hartree-Fock-Slater (DFTTYP=SLATER) calculation on an Ar atom using the 6-31G basis set.

- (a) How many primitive Gaussians are included in this calculation? How many total basis functions? How do they divide between s, p, and d?
- (b) How many SCF iterations does the calculation take to converge?
- (c) What is the final calculated HFS/6-31G energy of the atom?
- (d) What are the identities (1s, 2p, etc.) and energies of the occupied atomic orbitals?
- (e) Compare your computed total energy and atomic orbital energies with those you got from Homework 2 using the fda code for Ar.

1.1 Solution

1.1.1 a)

This is an example input file for Ar. The resulting output files can be seen in ./Ar

\$BASIS GBASIS=N31 NGAUSS=6 \$END
\$CONTRL RUNTYP=ENERGY DFTTYP=SLATER \$END

\$DATA

Title

C1

Ar 18.0 -3.86612 1.03789 0.00000 \$END

By looking at the log file it seems we have 13 primitive Gaussians. Below is the shell command to produce this result.

grep "GAUSSIAN BASIS FUNCTIONS" Ar/Ar.log

NUMBER OF CARTESIAN GAUSSIAN BASIS FUNCTIONS = 13

We used the 6-31G basis set. The distribution of basis functions are listed below.

Orbital	Basis Sets	Primitive gauss functions	Total gauss functions
1s	1	6	6
2s	1	6	6
2p	3	6	18
3s	1	3	3
3p	3	3	9
3s+	1	1	1
3p+	3	1	3
Total	13		46

1.1.2 b)

12 SCF iterations are required to reach convergence.

grep "ITER" Ar/Ar.dat

E(R-SLATER) = -524.4520526614, E(NUC) = 0.0000000000, 12 ITERS

1.1.3 c)

The final HFS/6-31G energy is -524.452 hartrees.

Table 1: GAMESS and FDA orbital energies

Orbital	E_{GAMESS} (hartree)	E_{FDA} (hartree)
1s	-113.6768	-116.9366
2s	-10.7172	-11.6037
2p	-8.3677	-9.2721
3s	-0.8218	-1.1022
3p	-0.3222	-0.5735
3s+	0.4316	
3p+	0.5206	

1.1.4 d)

1.1.5 e)

The FDA total energy is -526.8275 hartree, which means its a slightly better method for predicting the energy of Ar. The orbital energies are listed in 1.

2 The Generalized Gradient Approximation

The generalized gradient approximation (GGA) is an improvement on Hartree-Fock-Slater that gives a nice balance between accuracy and computational expense. Using GAMESS, perform a single point calculation (RUNTYP=ENERGY) on the bent triatomic SO₂ using the GGA (DFTTYP=PBE) and PC1 basis set (GBASIS=PC1, ISPHER=1; no NGAUSS flag needed). Guess appropriate bond lengths and angle. Be sure to report your input file for your calculation.

- (a) What is the spin multiplicity of SO_2 ? (Recall, the spin multiplicity is 2S + 1, where S = 1/2 for one unpaired electron, S = 1 for two unpaired electrons, and so on).
- (b) How many basis functions are in this calculation?
- (c) How many SCF cycles does it take to converge?
- (d) What SCF algorithm does the code use?
- (e) What is the final total energy of the molecule?
- (f) How many occupied orbitals does the molecule have? What are the energies of the HOMO and LUMO?
- (g) What is the final dipole moment?
- (h) What are the Mulliken gross charges on the S and O atoms?
- (i) Plot out the electrostatic potential of SO₂. Which end of the molecule is electrophilic and which is nucleophilic?

2.1 Solution

INPUT File: ./S02/S02.inp LOG File: ./S02/S02.log DAT File: ./S02/S02.dat

2.1.1 a)

The spin multiplicity for SO_2 is 2 * 0 + 1 = 1.

2.1.2 b)

The number of basis functions in the calculation is 49.

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grep "GAUSSIAN BASIS FUNCTIONS" ./S02/S02.log
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NUMBER OF CARTESIAN GAUSSIAN BASIS FUNCTIONS = 49

2.1.3 c)

It takes 23 SCF cycles to converge.

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grep ITER ./S02/S02.dat
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E(R-PBE) = -548.2499367382, E(NUC) = 109.8468077125, 23 ITERS
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2.1.4 d)

The code uses the DIIS algorithm.

2.1.5 e)

The final total energy is -548.2499 hartrees

2.1.6 f)

There are 16 occupied orbitals.

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grep OCCUPIED ./SO2/SO2.log
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NUMBER OF OCCUPIED ORBITALS (ALPHA) = 16
NUMBER OF OCCUPIED ORBITALS (BETA ) = 16
16 ORBITALS ARE OCCUPIED ( 7 CORE ORBITALS).
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2.1.7 g)

The final dipole moment is 1.55 debyes

2.1.8 h)

3 Geometry Optimization of SO₂

- (a) Do a series of calculations in which you vary the S–O distances and O–S–O angle over a regular grid of values. Approximate the combination of values that give the lowest energy.
- (b) A geometry optimization (RUNTYP=OPTIMIZE) is a faster way to find the optimal geometry of a molecule. Perform a geometry optimization on SO₂ using the same computational model as above. What are the optimal S–O distances and O–S–O angle?

4 Other Molecules

Oxygen makes bonds with lots of things. Fill out the table below by doing an appropriate set of calculations:

AO₂ A-O (Å) O-A-O (°) Spin Multiplicity Dipole Moment (eÅ) Mulliken Charge
CO₂
NO₂
SiO₂
SO₂