

User Manual

CP2K

A program package to perform
Molecular Dynamics Simulations

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Disclaimer

2 Installation

You can download the current version of the CP2K code from

4 Input description

4.1 General rules

Warning: Do not expect the input to be logic. The programmers logic may be different from yours.

Warning: This input description may not refer to the actual version of the program you are using. Therefore the ultimate and authoritative input guide is the source code.

4.2.2 Optional keywords

FFTLIB *FFTESSL, FFTSG, FFTSGI, FFTWg*

Defines the library which is used for the Fast Fourier Transformations (TJ/). The availability of the libraries depends on the architecture and/or installation, but at least the `FFTS` is available which is included in the CP2K distribution.

default: FFTSG

IOLEVEL

4.4.2 Optional keywords

UNIT *f*ANGSTROM, BOHR, SCALED_ANGSTROM, SCALED_BOHR*g*

Defines the unit of length for the simulation cell and it also applies to the definition of the atomic coordinates in the input section &COORD. Moreover, all lengths and distances in the output are printed using this unit.

default: BOHR

4.5 Section &COORD

Each non-empty input line in this section defines an atom of the considered system. The first entry in each line has to correspond to an atomic kind name defined by a &KIND section which can be a *hstring i* or an *hinteger i* number. The kind name has to follow a set of three *hreal i* numbers defining the x , y , and z coordinates of the atom.

4.6 Section &KIND

This section has to be defined for each atomic kind in a QUICKSTEP run. The name of the kind has to be defined right after the &KIND section keyword on the same input line. The kind name is referenced by the &COORD section. Alternatively, the atomic number of the kind can be defined as an integer number, e.g.

```
&KIND 6
```

for carbon which is equivalent to

```
&KIND C
```

In general, any *hstring i* can be defined for an atomic kind

```
&KIND hstring i
```

which allows to define different atomic kinds for the same element e.g. carbon with different orbital basis sets

```
&KIND C-DZVP
```

```
&KIND C-TZVP
```

One or more &KIND sections are required for a QUICKSTEP run.

4.6.1 Required keywords

ORBITAL_BASIS_SET, BASIS_SET, BAS *fhstring ig*

Name of the Gaussian orbital basis set which has to be read from the Gaussian basis set database file (see [section &IO](#)).

POTENTIAL, POT *fhstring ig*

Name of the atomic potential which has to be read from the potential database file (see [section &IO](#)).

4.6.2 Optional keywords

ELEMENT_SYMBOL, ELEMENT

MESH *f**h*integer*i* *h*integer*i* *h*integer*ig*

Explicit definition of the grid size.

PLANE_WAVES , PW

default

EPS_RHO *f_{hrealig}*

Threshold values for EPS_RHO_GSPACE and EPS_RHO_GSPACE.

default: 1.0E-8

EPS_RHO_GSPACE *f_{hrealig}*

CHOLESKY_ON, CHOLESKY_OFF

Decides whether the Cholesky decomposition is used in the eigensolver or not.

default: CHOLESKY_ON

DENSITY_GUESS, SCF_GUESS, GUESS *f*ATOMIC, CORE*g*

Defines the type of guess which is employed to generate the first density matrix.

default: ATOMIC

DENSITY_MIXING, MIXING *f*h*realig*

Factor for the mixing of the old and new density matrix during the wavefunction optimization.

default: 0.4 (i.e. 40% of the new and 60% of the old density are used)

EPS_DIIS *f*h*realig*

The DIIS procedure is switched on, if the maximum DIIS error vector element is below

INTERATOMIC_DISTANCES , DISTANCES

Print a matrix with the interatomic distances.

Warning: That is much output for largedistancsystems.

KIND_RADII

Print the maximum interaction radius of each atomic kind.

KINETIC_ENERGY_MATRIX , T_MATRIX

Print the kinetic energy integral matrix.

KOHN_SHAM_MATRIX

Print the Kohn-Sham matrix.

LUMO

Print the lowest unoccupied molecular orbital (LUMO) as a cube file.

MEMORY

Print informations about the memory usagdistanc of the CP2K program.

MO_EIGENVALUES

Print the eigenvaluesistanc of the molecular orbitals (MOs).

MO_EIGENVECTORS , MOS

Print the eigenvectors, eigenvalues, and the occupation numbers of the molecular orbitals (MOs).

MO_OCCUPATION_NUMBERS

Print the occupation numbers and the eigenvaluesistanc of the molecular orbitals (MOs).

NEIGHBOR_LISTS

Print all neighbor lists.

Warning: That is much output for largedistancsystems.

ORTHO_MATRIX

Print the orthogonalisation matrix used to transform the Kohn-Sham matrix.

OVERLAP_MATRIX

Print the overlap matrix.

PGF_RADII

Print the interaction radiiistanc of all primitive Gaussian-type functions.

PHYSICAL_CONSTANTS , PHYSCON

Print the valuesistanc of all physical constants used in the program.

POTENTIALS

5 Input examples

5.1 Argon atom

```
&CP2K
  PROGRAM      Quickstep
  IOLEVEL      10
  FFTLIB       FFTSG
  RUN_TYPE     WFN_OPT
&END

&DFT
  FUNCTIONAL    PADE
&END

&QS
  CUTOFF        300
  REL_CUTOFF    30
&END

&SCF
  GUESS         ATOMIC
  EPS_DIIS      0.1
  MAX_DIIS      4
  EPS_SCF       1.0E-6
  MAX_SCF       30
  MIXING        0.4
&END

&PRINT medium
  NO_BLACS_INFO
&END

&KIND Ar
  BASIS_SET     DZVP-GTH-PADE
  POTENTIAL     GTH
&END

&CELL
  UNIT          ANGSTROM
  ABC           12.0  12.0  12.0
&END

&COORD
  18           0.000000  0.000000  0.000000
&END
```

5.2 Water molecule

&CP2K

PROGRAM Quickstep

IOLEVEL 10

6 Methods

6.1 GPW method

The electronic energy functional for a molecular or crystalline system in the framework of the Gaussian plane waves (GPW) method [\[4\]](#)

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