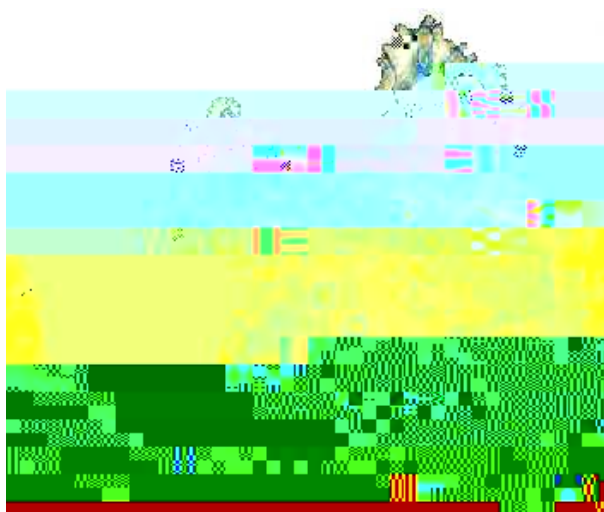


the octopus manual

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Male *Hapalochlaena lunulata* (top),
and female *Hapalochlaena lunulata* (bottom).
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3 Introduction

3.1 Description of octopus

octopus^r is a program aimed at the ab initio virtual experimentation on electron/ion dynamics in external electromagnetic fields of arbitrary intensity, shape and frequency in a hopefully ever increasing range of systems types. Its main characteristics are:

- Electrons are described quantum-mechanically within the Density-Functional Theory (DFT) for the ground-state whereas the excitation spectra is computed using time-dependent form (TDDFT) by performing simulations in time.
- The electron-nucleus interaction is described within the pseudo-potential approximation. Nuclei are described classically as point particles.
- Wave-functions are expanded in a real-space grid. The kinetic energy operator is computed with a high-order finite difference method. FFTs are used in part of the calculations. Time and grid spacing are related by imposing a stable time-evolution.
- Forces on the ions are computed through the Ehrenfest theorem. Extension to quantum mechanical nuclear dynamics is in progress.
- Allows for spin-polarised calculations as well as non-collinear magnetism and spin-orbit effects.
- Computes photo-electron (energy and angle resolved) and photo-absorption spectra for different polarised external electromagnetic fields. Linear response calculations are a simple case of this general time-evolution procedure (see below).
- Includes non-linear electronic effects: high-harmonic generation:

3.2 Time dependent density functional theory

Several reviews of time-dependent density function theory (TDDFT) and its applications have appeared recently, like the works by

determines the time-dependent

browse at <http://nautilus.fis.uc.pt/cgi-bin/cvsweb.cgi/marques/octo>

```
`absoft (i386)'
    -O3 -YEXT_NAMES=LCS -YEXT_SFX=_

`absoft (opteron)'
    -O3 -mcmodel=medium -m64 -cpu:host -YEXT_NAMES=LCS -YEXT_SFX=_

`NAG (opteron)'
    -colour -kind=byte -mismatch_all -abi=64 -ieee=full -O4 -ounroll=4

`pgi (opteron)'
    -fast -mcmodel=medium -O4

`alpha'
    -align_dcommons -fast -tune host -arch host -noautomatic

`xlf (IBM)'
    -bmaxdata:0x80000000 -qmaxmem=-1 -qsuffix=f=f90 -Q -O5 -qstrict
    -qtune=auto -qarch=auto -qhot -qip

`sgi'
    -O3 -INLINE -n32 -LANG:recursive=on
```

You can now run the configure script (./configure). You can use a fair amount of options to spice octopus to your own taste. To

Section 6.1.7 [Verbose], [page 14](#), and [Section 6.1.8 \[DebugLevel\], \[page 14\]\(#\)](#),

tively).

Run `make`, and then `makepkg`. If everything went well, you should now be able to `pacman` the package. Depending on the options passed to `makepkg`, pre-compiled binaries could be added to the generic name of the package.

Whatever went wrong, it was not the fault of the octopus. It was the fault of the people who were too stupid to understand it.

5 The parser

All input options should be in

If octopus tries to use a variable that is defined in the program (the variable is not defined in the program), it will use the default value. All variables are defined in the program. If you use a variable that is not defined in the program, it will use the default value. If you use a variable that is defined in the program, it will use the value defined in the program.

6 Input file options

octopus has quite a few options, that we will subdivide in different groups. After the name of

- Oxygen labelled 'O'. Next number is the atomic mass (in atomic mass units), and third field, the atomic number (8, in and'

- columns 31-54 : The Cartesian coordinates. The Fortran format is ' (3f8.3)' .
- columns 61-65 : Classical charge of the atom. The Fortran format is ' (f6.2)' .

6.3.2 XYZCoordinates (string, 'coords.xyz')

If PDBCoordinates is not present, reads the atomic coordinates from the XYZ file XYZCoordinates. The XYZ format is very simple, as can be seen from this example for the CO molecule (in A).

```
2
CO molecule in equilibrium
C -0.56415 0.0 0.0
O 0.56415 0.0 0.0
```

The first line of the file has an integer indicating the number of atoms. The second can contain comments that are simply ignored by octopus. Then there follows one line per each atom, containing the chemical species and the Cartesian coordinates of the atom.

6.3.3 Coordinates (block data)

If neither a XYZCoordinates nor a PDBCoordinates was found, octopus tries to read the coordinates for the atoms from the block Coordinates. The format is quite straightforward:

```
%Coordinates
'C' | -0.56415 | 0.0 | 0.0 | no
'O' | 0.56415 | 0.0 | 0.0 | no
%
```

The first line defines a Carbon atom at coordinates (-0.56415, 0.0, 0.0), that is not

allowed to move during
block obviously defines

6.3.6 RandomVelocityTemp (double, 0)

If this variable is present, octopus will assign random velocities to the atoms following a Boltzmann distribution with temperature RandomVelocityTemp.

- `fourier_space`: **Derivatives are calculated in reciprocal space. Obviously this case implies cyclic boundary conditions, so be careful.**

%Occupations

- random: **Each atomic magnetization density is randomly rotated.**
- user_defined: **The atomic magnetization densities are rotated so that the magnetization vector has the same direction as a vector provided**

This is the `reltol` tolerance for the eigenvectors.

Determines how many iterations are needed to go from EigenSolverInitTolerance to EigenSolverFinalTolerance.

[illegible]

6.10 Time Dependent

invoked as a means to approximate the evolution operator (TDEvolutionMethod = 0),
 a different procedure is taken { it will be described by the following table }

and taking into account the following table

where J_k are the Bessel functions of the first kind, and H has to be previously scaled to $[-1; 1]$. See H. Tal-Ezer and R.

It may the be

- 10: **Shape** is read from a file.

If `envelope=10`, the `t0` parameter is substituted by a string that determines the name of the file. The format of this file should be three columns of real numbers: time, field and phase. Atomic units are assumed. The values for the laser field that the program will use are interpolated / extrapolated from this numerically defined function.

6.10.8 TDGauge (integer, length)

In which gauge to treat the laser. Options are:

- length: **Length** gauge.
- velocity: **Velocity** gauge.

6.10.9 TDDeltaStrength (double, 0.0 a.u.)

When no laser is applied, a delta (in time) electric field with strength `TDDeltaStrength` is applied. This is used to calculate the linear

6.10.16 TDOutputLaser (logical, true)

If true, octopus **outputs the laser** eld to the file `\td.general/laser"`.

6.10.17 TDOutputElEnergy (logical, false)

If true, octopus **outputs the different components of the electronic energy** to the file `\td.general/el_energy`.

6.10.18 TDOutputOccAnalysis (logical, false)

If true, **outputs the projections of the time-dependent orbitals** to the file `\td.general/occ_analysis`.

6.11.4 G0Step (double, 0.5)

Initial step for the geometry optimizer.

6.12.7 OutputAxisX (logical, false)

The values of the function on the x axis are printed. The string `\.y=0,z=0"` is appended to previous file names.

6.12.8 OutputAxisY (logical, false)

The values of the function on the y axis are printed. The string `\.x=0,z=0"` is appended to previous file names.

6.12.9 OutputAxisZ (logical, false)

6.12.8 is appended

The values of the function on the z axis are printed.

6.14.2 POLStaticField (double, 0.001 a.u.)

7.8 oct-make-st

`make_st` reads `tmp/restart.static` and replaces some of the Kohn-Sham states by Gaussians wave packets. The states which should be replaced are given in the `%MakeStates` section in the input file and written to `tmp/restart.static.new`. (You probably want to copy that file to `tmp/restart.static` and use `then CalculationMode=5` or `6`.)

```
%MakeStates
ik | ist | idtype | sigma | x0 | k
```

%

The variables stand for

- `ik`: The `k` point (or the spin, if `spin-components=2`) of the state
- `ist`: The state to be replaced
- `idtype`: The component of the state (if the wave functions have more than one component, `components=3` is used).

Wave packet; currently only 1 (Gaussian) is available

depend on the type chosen. For a Gaussian wave packet, defined as

$$\psi(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x} - \frac{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0|^2}{2\sigma^2}};$$

they are:

- `sigma`: the width of the Gaussian
 - `k`: the `k` vector. In 3D use `k1 | k2 | k3`.
 - `x`: the coordinate where the Gaussian is initially centred. In 3D use `x01 | x02 | x03`.

7.9 oct-center-geo

7.10 wf.net

This is an OpenDX network, aimed at the visualization

8 Undocumented Variables

If you want to use these variables you will have to go to the code to let y

C	0.000	-1.396	0.000
C	-1.209	-0.698	0.000
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H	0.000	2.479	0.000
H	2.147	1.240	0.000
H	2.147	-1.240	0.000
H	0.000	-2.479	0.000
H	-2.147	-1.240	0.000
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Follow now the steps of the previous example. Carbon and Hydrogen have a m¹² pseudo-pe.

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