

Constrained RPA

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Important papers about cRPA

- F Aryasetiawan et al. “Frequency-dependent local interactions and low-energy effective models from electronic structure calculations”. In: *Physical Review B* 70.19 (2004). Fig. 3 and Fig. 4 in the article are swapped in the published version: compare them with Fig 2, p. 195104
- F Aryasetiawan, T Miyake, and R Sakuma. “The constrained RPA method for calculating the Hubbard U from first-principles”. In: *The LDA+ DMFT approach to strongly correlated materials*. 2011

Motivation

Strongly correlated electrons are ...

- Hard to treat *ab initio*
- Should be described by a lattice model

$$H = -t \sum_{\langle \mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j} \rangle, \sigma} c_{\mathbf{i}\sigma}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{j}\sigma} + \text{h.c.} + U \sum_{\mathbf{i}} n_{\mathbf{i}\uparrow} n_{\mathbf{i}\downarrow}. \quad (1)$$

But should all electrons be included?

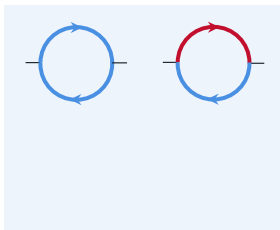
- d electron: correlated ones
- r electron: “trivial” ones

Diagrammatics

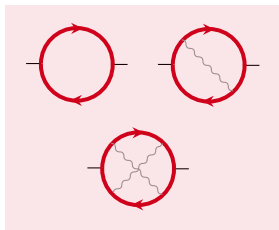
Screening by d and $r =$ first screened by r and then d

$$W = (1 - vP)^{-1}v = (1 - W_r P_d)^{-1}W_r, \quad W_r = (1 - vP_r)^{-1}v, \quad (2)$$

- W is effective interaction
- where P_d is the polarization within d subspace,
- and $P_r = P - P_d$



P_r
RPA works



P_d
RPA doesn't work

- P_d hard to obtain \Rightarrow we left it to an effective interaction without doing resummation for it
- P_r can be done by epsilon $\Rightarrow W_r$ can be obtained by epsilon
- But



is not in P_r , or otherwise we have double counting

- That's what we call **constrained RPA (cRPA)**
- A program to calculate a single ring diagram is needed

In GW:

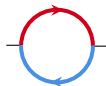
$$\begin{aligned}\varepsilon^{GW} &= \varepsilon^0 + \Sigma^{\text{Hartree}} + \Sigma^{GW} \\ &= \underbrace{\varepsilon^0 + \Sigma^{\text{Hartree}} + V^{\text{xc}}}_{\text{WFN}} + \underbrace{\Sigma^{GW}}_{\text{sigma}} - \underbrace{V^{\text{xc}}}_{\text{vxc.dat}}\end{aligned}\quad (3)$$

In the effective model ...

- We want ε^0
- So the same $-V^{\text{xc}}$ procedure is needed(?)

Risks in accuracy

Uncontrolled approximation: does RPA work for



The hopping between d electrons is small \Rightarrow it's safe to do so¹

¹F Aryasetiawan et al. "Frequency-dependent local interactions and low-energy effective models from electronic structure calculations". In: *Physical Review B* 70.19 (2004). Fig. 3 and Fig. 4 in the article are swapped in the published version: compare them with Fig. 2, p. 195104.

Dynamic interaction in Hubbard model

Recall that $W = W(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}, \omega) \Rightarrow U_{ijkl}(\omega) \Rightarrow$ retarded interaction!

- Hamiltonian form: interactions are always immediate (bosonic auxiliary field required to create retardation)
- ... or path integral formalism is to be used
- In either cases, it's slow!!!

Comment: frequency dependence in effective models

This actually reflects something deep about downfolding ...

- **Hamiltonian effective theory; Rayleigh-Schrodinger perturbation theory.** In $1/(E - H)$, E is unperturbed energy
- **Feynman diagram resummation.** After splitting G into G^+ and G^- , it's equivalent to Brillouin-Wigner perturbation theory; In $1/(E - H)$, E is the *perturbed* energy
- An item in BWPT splits into an infinite series in RSPT!²

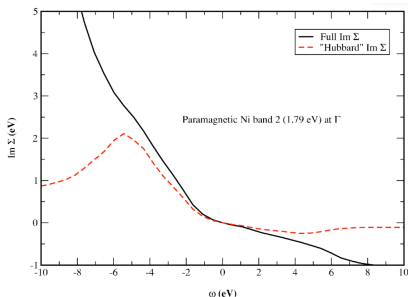
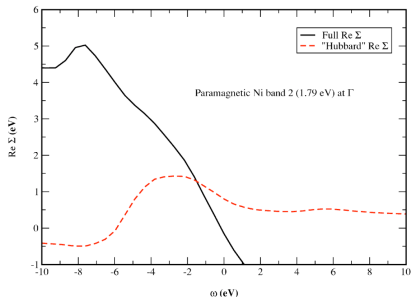
$$\begin{aligned} E^{GW} &\simeq E^{\text{DFT}} + iW \frac{1}{E^{GW} - E^{\text{DFT}}} \\ &= E^{\text{DFT}} + iW \frac{1}{E^{\text{DFT}} - E^{\text{DFT}}(\text{other bands})} + \dots \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

\Rightarrow why we need eigenvalue self-consistency

²KA Brueckner. "Many-body problem for strongly interacting particles. II. Linked cluster expansion". In: *Physical Review* 100.1 (1955), p. 36.

Dynamic interaction in Hubbard model

Is it possible to just enforce $\omega = 0 \dots$ But it's not accurate!³



Ni self-energy, from static Hubbard $U = W_r(\omega = 0)$, and from full $W(\omega)$

³Aryasetiawan et al., “Frequency-dependent local interactions and low-energy effective models from electronic structure calculations”.

Dynamic interaction in Hubbard model

Why $\text{Im } \Sigma$ is better captured by static U than $\text{Re } \Sigma$?

Because $\text{Im } \Sigma \propto \text{DOS}$

And then high-frequency electrons contribute to low-frequency $\text{Re } \Sigma$

Making the Hubbard model static: method 1

Key point: correct the single-electron Hamiltonian using the retarded interaction

- Find static non-interactive \tilde{G}_d such that –
- With the same static U , \tilde{G}_d leads to an interactive Green function close enough to the real one

Making the Hubbard model static: method 1

Method 1: correct the single-electron Hamiltonian using the retarded interaction

- Def: G_d = Green function for d electrons; \tilde{G}_d = Green function for d electrons corrected by $W - W_d$; W = RPA screened Coulomb interaction; W_d = static Hubbard U screened by G_d ; \tilde{W}_d = static Hubbard U screened by \tilde{G}_d ;
- Ignoring hopping between d and r subspaces caused by W (so the $i W(G - G_d)$ term is irrelevant for d electrons), we have

$$\tilde{G}_d^{-1} - i \tilde{G}_d \tilde{W}_d = G_d^{-1} - i G_d W_d - i G_d (W - W_d). \quad (5)$$

- From

$$W = (1 - UP)^{-1}U, \quad P = -i GG \Rightarrow G^{-1} - i GW = (1 - UP)^{-1}G^{-1} \quad (6)$$

we get the final equation: (here $\tilde{P}_d = -i \tilde{G}_d \tilde{G}_d$, $P_d = -i G_d G_d$)

$$(1 - U\tilde{P}_d)^{-1}\tilde{G}_d^{-1} = (1 - UP_d^{-1})^{-1}G_d^{-1} - i G_d (W - W_d). \quad (7)$$

Making the Hubbard model static: method 2

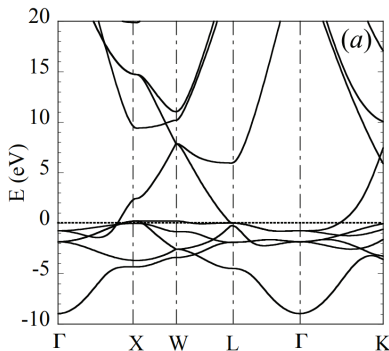
Key point: introducing a bosonic field to “carry” the frequency-dependent $W(\omega)$.⁴

(Similar techniques are used in DMFT)

⁴M. Casula et al. “Low-Energy Models for Correlated Materials: Bandwidth Renormalization from Coulombic Screening”. In: *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 109 (12 2012), p. 126408. DOI: [10.1103/PhysRevLett.109.126408](https://link.aps.org/doi/10.1103/PhysRevLett.109.126408). URL: <https://link.aps.org/doi/10.1103/PhysRevLett.109.126408>.

cRPA for entangled bands

Entangled band problem A band consisting mostly of s electrons and a band consisting mainly of d electrons may cross each other



And an effective theory solely targeting d electrons is not well-defined

cRPA for entangled bands

Solution Sacrifice some inter-orbital hopping terms for disentangled band structure

- 1 Standard DFT+Wannier run.
- 2 Wannier and fake Bloch functions for the d subspace:

$$\psi_{ni}^d = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{R}_i} \underbrace{\sum_m U_{mn}(\mathbf{k}) \psi_{m\mathbf{k}}}_{\psi_{n\mathbf{k}}^d}, \quad (8)$$

- 3 Getting the r -subspace

$$\psi_{n\mathbf{k}}^r = (1 - \sum_m |\psi_{m\mathbf{k}}^d\rangle\langle\psi_{m\mathbf{k}}^d|) \psi_{n\mathbf{k}}. \quad (9)$$

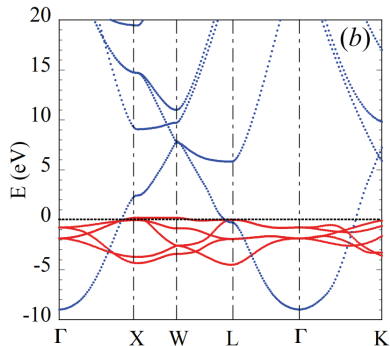
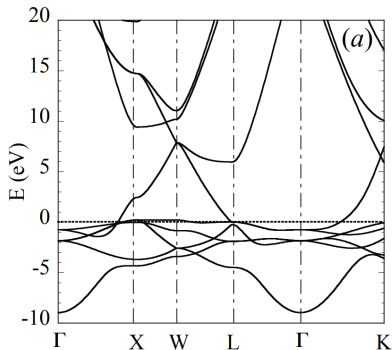
- 4 Calculating

$$H^{dd} = [\langle\psi_{m\mathbf{k}}^d|H(\mathbf{k})|\psi_{n\mathbf{k}}^d\rangle], \quad H^{rr} = [\langle\psi_{m\mathbf{k}}^r|H(\mathbf{k})|\psi_{n\mathbf{k}}^r\rangle] \quad (10)$$

H^{dr} is thrown away.

cRPA for entangled bands

Left: original bands



Right: H^{dd} and H^{rr} ; after throwing away some s - d hopping (and *closing* several band gaps), the energy of H^{dd} is now bounded

Existing implementations

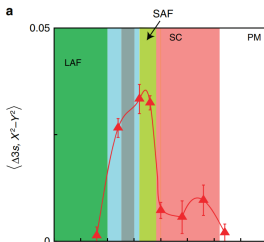
- **VASP** ALGO=CRPA selects constrained RPA calculations, available as of VASP.6.4
- **ABINIT** ucrpa before version 9, as an option in the RPA module
- **BerkeleyGW** ✗ Unfortunately ...
- **RESPACK**⁵: from Quantum ESPRESSO

⁵Kazuma Nakamura et al. "RESPACK: An ab initio tool for derivation of effective low-energy model of material". In: *Computer Physics Communications* 261 (2021), p. 107781.    

Example: Fe-based superconductor

The cRPA-to-Hubbard methodology has already been applied to Fe-based SC⁶⁷

Some claim that they can obtain the correct doping concentration required for SC⁸



⁶Kazuma Nakamura, Ryotaro Arita, and Masatoshi Imada. "Ab initio derivation of low-energy model for iron-based superconductors LaFeAsO and LaFePO". In: *Journal of the Physical Society of Japan* 77.9 (2008), p. 093711.

⁷Takashi Miyake et al. "Comparison of ab initio Low-Energy Models for LaFePO, LaFeAsO, BaFe, LiFeAs, FeSe, and FeTe: Electron Correlation and Covalency". In: *Journal of the Physical Society of Japan* 79.4 (2010), p. 044705. DOI: 10.1143/jpsj.79.044705. URL: <https://doi.org/10.1143%2Fjpsj.79.044705>.

⁸Takahiro Misawa and Masatoshi Imada. "Superconductivity and its mechanism in an ab