

Developments in Electronic Structure Theory.

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Get the **accurate answer** for the **right reason** at a **reasonable cost** .

DFT (the **density $n(\mathbf{r})$** is the key quantity)

- ✓ cheap methods ; applicable to big systems
- ✗ unable to systematically improve the results

WFT (the **wavefunction $\Psi(\mathbf{x}^N)$** is the key quantity)

- ✗ rather costly
- ✓ improvement of the description is systematic

QMC (**stochastic** method)

- ✓ good method in terms of accuracy and scaling
- ✗ costly ; ideal for parallelisation

Range
Separation

WFT as
input
for QMC

Accuracy & Cost

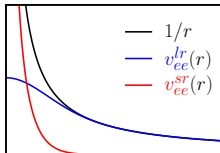
DFT+WFT

- ▶ post-DFT calculations in the context of **Range Separation**.
- ▶ In the WFT part, for the treatment of London dispersion forces, we use the **Random Phase Approximation**.

WFT suffers at short range from the description of the e-e coalescence.
 DFAs are essentially **(semi)local approximation** and are best at short-range.

The idea is to split the e-e interaction into **long-** and **short-** range parts:

$$\frac{1}{r} = v_{ee}^{lr}(\mathbf{r}) + v_{ee}^{sr}(\mathbf{r})$$



...and as a result to **rigorously mix WFT and DFT methods** :

- ▶ in a variational way:

$$E = \min_{\Psi} \left\{ \langle \Psi | \hat{T} + \hat{V}_{ne} + \hat{W}_{ee}^{lr} | \Psi \rangle + E_{Hxc}^{sr}[n_{\Psi}] \right\}$$

e.g. MCSCF+DFT, CI+DFT,...-> for the **static correlation**.

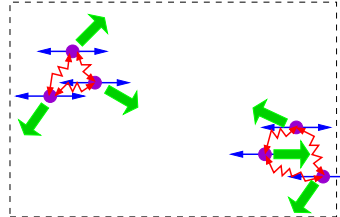
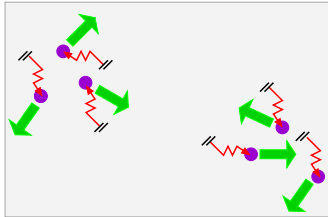
- ▶ with a perturbative treatment, from a mono-determinantal reference (RSH):

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e.g. with RPA -> for **long range dynamical correlation**.

The **original intention** is to decouple by a canonical transformation the particle and field variables in the description of the UEG.

Go from $\hat{H} = \hat{H}_{\text{part.}} + \hat{H}_{\text{field}} + \hat{H}_{\text{part./field}}$ to $\hat{H}^{\text{RPA}} = \hat{H}_{\text{part.}} + \hat{H}_{\text{oscillations}} + \hat{H}_{\text{part./part.}}^{\text{sr}}$



The physics: mix of **long-range organized behavior** (collective plasma oscillations) and of **short-range screened interactions**.

Hence, in RPA, the energy is the sum of **oscillator energies** and of a short-range correction. This seems ideal in a range separation context.

Only the particles in phase with the oscillating field contribute to the oscillations the other particles, **having a random phase**, are neglected.

Random Phase Approximation: formalisms and flavors

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[Langreth,Perdew PRB **15** (1977)]

$$E_c^{\text{ACFDT}} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 d\alpha \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \text{Tr} \left(\mathbb{W}_{\text{ee}} \left[\mathbb{\Pi}_{\alpha}^{\text{RPA}}(i\omega) - \mathbb{\Pi}_0(i\omega) \right] \right) \left| \left(\mathbb{\Pi}_{\alpha}^{\text{RPA}} \right)^{-1} = \mathbb{\Pi}_0^{-1} - \mathbb{f}_{\text{Hx},\alpha} \right.$$

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- ▶ **Ricatti equations** and rCCD $E = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{T})$

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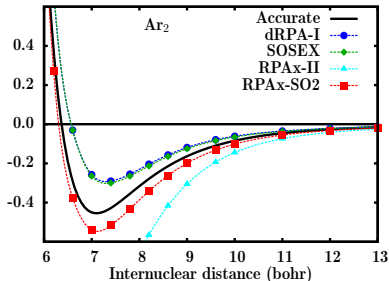
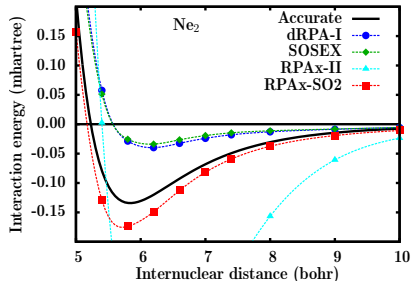
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DFT calculation followed by an **RPA calculation with KS orbitals and energies.**

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$$E = \langle \Phi | \hat{T} + \hat{V}_{\text{ne}} | \Phi \rangle + E_{\text{Hx}}^{\text{HF}}[\Phi] + E_{\text{c}}^{\text{RPA}}$$

- ▶ DFT (LDA/GGA/...) do not describe correctly the **long-range dispersion forces**, while RPA does.
- ▶ Still problems with: **short-range correlation energies** (far too negative)
strong dependence on basis size
simple van der Waals dimers

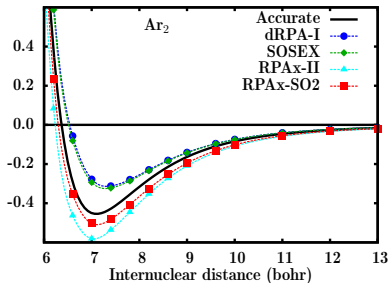
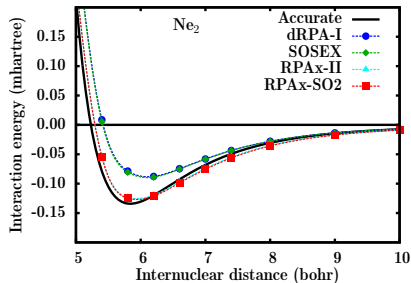


Range-Separated Hybrid + RPA

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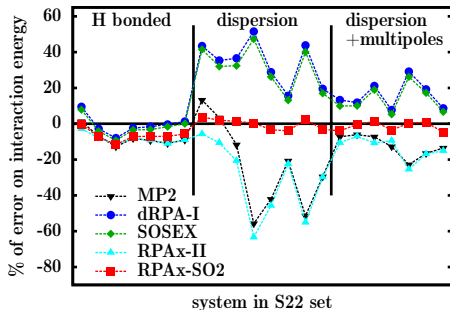
>srPBE, aug-cc-pV6Z, $\mu = 0.5$

[Toulouse,Zhu,Savin,Jansen,Ángyán JCP **135** (2011)]

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- ▶ for ex.: performance on the S22 dataset is very good for **srPBE+RPAx-SO2**.



DFT+WFT

- ▶ **Basis Set Convergence** study and **Three-point extrapolation scheme**.
- ▶ **Spin-Unrestricted generalization** and **Calculations on DBH24/08 and AE49**.
- ▶ Development and Implementation of the **gradients of RSH+RPA methods**.

In general

- ▶ Development of **Localized Virtual Orbitals** and **Application for RPA calculations**.

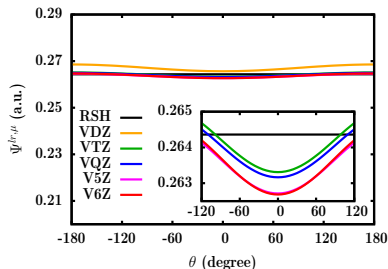
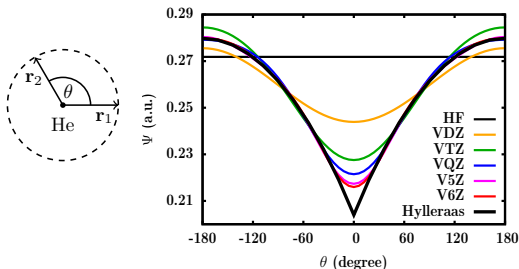
WFT+QMC

- ▶ Implementation of the calculation of **weights of VB structures in QMC**.

Wavefunction basis convergence

[Gori-Giorgi,Savin PRA 73 (2006)]

Both **partial wave** and **principal number** expansions lead to **exponential convergence** of the wavefunction.



Extrapolation formula for total energies

We proposed a **three-point extrapolation scheme** for total RSH+correlation energies (fitting $E_X = E_\infty + B \exp(-\beta X)$).

$$E_\infty = E_{XYZ} = \frac{E_Y^2 - E_X E_Z}{2E_Y - E_X - E_Z}$$

>errors (mHartree) wrt. cc-pV6Z

	He	Ne	N ₂	H ₂ O
ΔE_D	8.488	74.523	51.581	55.850
ΔE_T	0.781	20.337	13.406	14.736
ΔE_Q	0.245	5.763	4.090	4.499
ΔE_5	0.078	0.751	0.810	0.726
ΔE_{DTQ}	0.205	0.401	1.083	1.105
ΔE_{TQ5}	0.002	-1.876	-0.972	-1.475

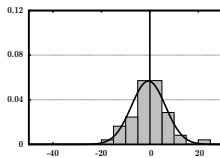
Implemented most of the variants with a nospinflip/spinflip block structure.

Normal distributions of errors
(kcal/mol) of calculations on **AE49**.

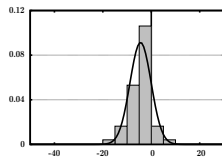
- ▶ Mean errors of post-RSH calculation are better.
- ▶ Post-RSH calculations dist. of errors have sharper distributions.

Similar results were obtained on the **DBH24/08** dataset.

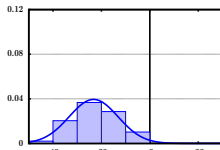
We argue that **RPAx-SO2** is a good method for a wide range of applications.



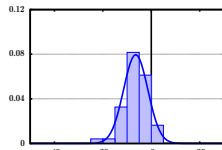
HF+MP2



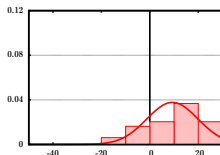
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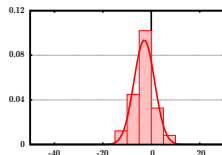
HF+dRPA-I



RSH+dRPA-I



HF+RPAx-SO2



RSH+RPAx-SO2

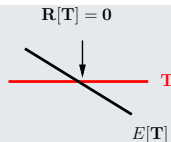
>cc-pVQZ (post-RSH: srPBE, $\mu = 0.5$)

Given an energy $E[\kappa, \mathbf{V}(\kappa), \mathbf{T}(\kappa)]$

you have rules for \mathbf{V} : $\partial E / \partial \mathbf{V} = 0$

you have rules for \mathbf{T} : $\mathbf{R}[\mathbf{T}] = 0$

$$\frac{dE}{d\kappa} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial \kappa} + \cancel{\frac{\partial E}{\partial \mathbf{V}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial \kappa}} + \boxed{\frac{\partial E}{\partial \mathbf{T}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{T}}{\partial \kappa}}$$



(in $\frac{\partial E}{\partial \kappa}$ there is $\mathbf{h}^{(\kappa)}$, $(\mu\nu|\sigma\rho)^{(\kappa)}$ and $\mathbf{S}^{(\kappa)}$)

For non-variational methods

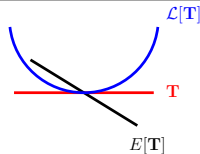
The solution is to work with an **alternative object** that is **variational** :

$$\mathcal{L}[\kappa, \mathbf{V}, \mathbf{T}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}] = E[\kappa, \mathbf{V}, \mathbf{T}] + \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\lambda} \mathbf{R}[\mathbf{T}])$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \mathbf{V}} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial \mathbf{V}} = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\lambda}} = \mathbf{R}[\mathbf{T}] = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \mathbf{T}} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial \mathbf{T}} + \text{tr}\left(\boldsymbol{\lambda} \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial \mathbf{T}}\right) = 0}$$

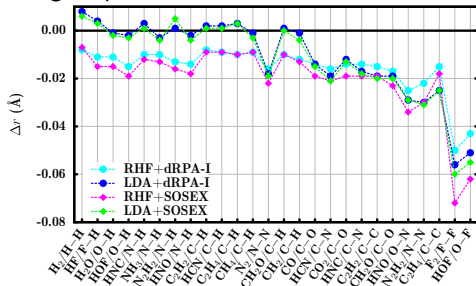


For **RSH+RPA** the energy is: $E = \min_{\Phi} \left\{ \langle \Phi | \hat{T} + \hat{V}_{\text{ne}} + \hat{W}_{\text{ee}}^{\text{lr}} | \Phi \rangle + E_{\text{Hxc}}^{\text{sr}}[n_{\Phi}] \right\} + E_{\text{c}}^{\text{lr,RPA}}$

The **equations were derived** (sr and lr terms) and **implemented** in MOLPRO.

(based on RSH+MP2 of [Chabbal, Stoll, Werner, Leininger, MP 108 (2010)])

> aug-cc-pVQZ



Mean Absolute Errors

Bond Lengths of simple molecules

RHF+dRPA-I	0.016
LDA+dRPA-I	0.013
RHF+SOSEX	0.021
LDA+SOSEX	0.014

Interaction Energies

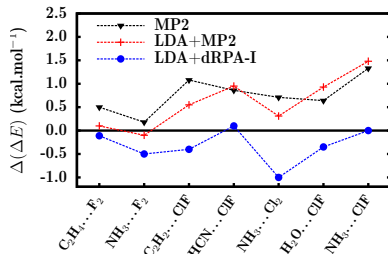
MP2	0.76
LDA+MP2	0.63
LDA+dRPA-I	0.35

Intermonomer distances

MP2	0.075
LDA+MP2	0.053
LDA+dRPA-I	0.023

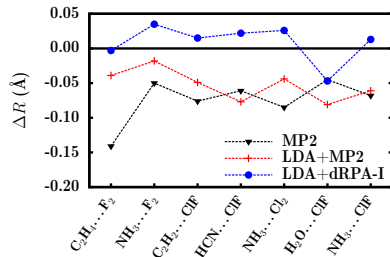
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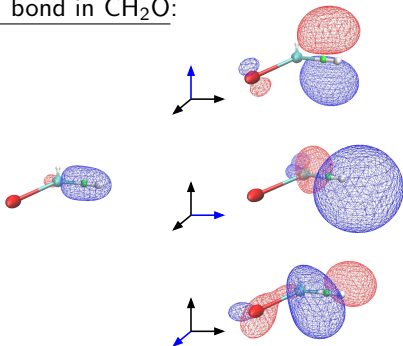


The objective is to construct a set of **localized virtual orbitals** by multiplying the set of occupied Localized Molecular Orbitals (LMOs) with **solid spherical harmonic functions**. The orthogonality to the occupied space is ensured by **projection**.

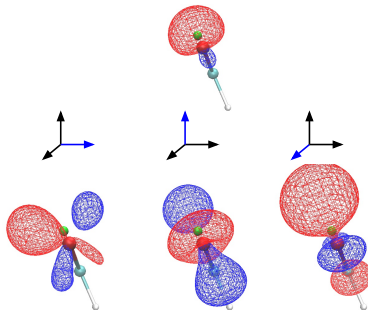
Dipolar oscillator orbital [Foster, Boys RMP 32 (1960)]

$$|i_\alpha\rangle = \underbrace{(\hat{1} - \hat{P})}_{\text{projector}} \underbrace{(\hat{r}_\alpha - D_\alpha^i)}_{\text{harmonic}} \underbrace{|i\rangle}_{\text{LMO}} \quad \text{where } D_\alpha^i = \langle i | \hat{r}_\alpha | i \rangle$$

C-H bond in CH₂O:



Lone pair in CH₂O:



Dipolar oscillator orbital

$$|i_\alpha\rangle = (\hat{1} - \hat{P})(\hat{r}_\alpha - D_\alpha^i) |i\rangle \quad \text{where } D_\alpha^i = \langle i | \hat{r}_\alpha | i \rangle$$

This formulation is best employed with **Boys' LMOs**, see:

$$|i_\alpha\rangle = \hat{r}_\alpha |i\rangle - \sum |m\rangle \langle m | \hat{r}_\alpha | i \rangle$$

The POOs are **non-orthogonal**, with overlap:

$$S_{\alpha\beta}^{ij} = \langle i | \hat{r}_\alpha \hat{r}_\beta | j \rangle - \sum \langle i | \hat{r}_\alpha | m \rangle \langle m | \hat{r}_\beta | j \rangle$$

The **fock matrix element** are found to be:

$$f_{\alpha\beta}^{ii} = \frac{1}{2} \delta_{\alpha\beta} + \frac{1}{2} \sum (f_{im} \langle m | \hat{r}_\alpha \hat{r}_\beta | i \rangle + \langle i | \hat{r}_\alpha \hat{r}_\beta | m \rangle f_{mi}) - \sum \langle i | \hat{r}_\alpha | m \rangle f_{mn} \langle n | \hat{r}_\beta | i \rangle$$

The two-elec integrals are written with a **multipole expansion** of the lr interaction:

$$\langle i_\alpha j | k l_\beta \rangle = \sum \langle i_\alpha | \hat{r}_\gamma | k \rangle L_{\gamma\delta}^{ij} \langle j | \hat{r}_\delta | l_\beta \rangle + \dots$$

A **nice result** simplifies the equations:

$$\langle i_\alpha | \hat{r}_\beta | j \rangle = \langle i | \hat{r}_\alpha \hat{r}_\beta | j \rangle - \sum \langle i | \hat{r}_\alpha | m \rangle \langle m | \hat{r}_\beta | j \rangle = S_{\alpha\beta}^{ij}$$

The working equations are the local RPA Ricatti equations (*i.e.* local rCCD) with the **local excitation approximation** ($\mathbf{M}_{k_\alpha l_\beta}^{ij} \rightarrow \mathbf{M}_{i_\alpha j_\beta}^{ij} \doteq \mathbf{M}_{\alpha\beta}^{ij}$) and **spherical average approximation** ($\mathbf{M}_{\alpha\beta}^{ii} \rightarrow \delta_{\alpha\beta} \frac{1}{3} \sum \mathbf{M}_{\alpha\alpha}^{ii} \doteq \delta_{\alpha\beta} \frac{1}{3} m^i$).

RPA correlation energy

$$E_c^{\text{RPA,lr}} = \sum_{ij}^{\text{occ}} \frac{4}{9} s^i s^j \text{tr}(\mathbf{L}^{ij} \mathbf{T}^{ij})$$

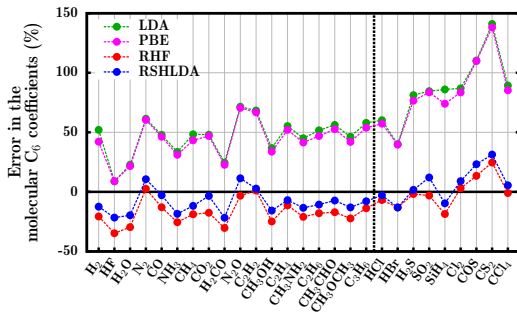
$$\text{where } \mathbf{R}^{ij} = \dots = \mathbf{0}$$

C₆ coefficients

$$E_c^{(2),\text{lr}} = \sum_{ij}^{\text{occ}} \frac{4}{9} \frac{s^i s^j}{\Delta^i + \Delta^j} \text{tr}(\mathbf{L}^{ij} \mathbf{L}^{ij})$$

$$= \sum_{ij}^{\text{occ}} \frac{8}{3} \frac{s^i s^j}{\Delta^i + \Delta^j} \frac{F_{\text{damp}}^\mu(D^{ij})}{D^{ij6}}$$

$$\text{where } \Delta^i = f_{ii} - f^i/s^i$$



> aug-cc-pVTZ (RSH: $\mu = 0.5$)

MA%E	LDA	59.8
	PBE	56.7
	RHF	15.2
	RSHLDA	11.8

VB-SCF (VB structures = Lewis structures)

- ✓ Good dissociation energies
- ✓ Interpretative tools (weight of structures, ...)
- ✗ **Non-orthogonal orbitals** -> costly
- ✗ Introduce dynamical correlation by “**breathing**” (L-BO-, S-BO-, SD-BOVB) -> costly

VB-QMC in the hope of treating **big systems**

$$\Psi = e^J \left(\text{blue structure} + \text{red structure} + \text{red structure} + \text{red structure} \right)$$

- ▶ Static correlation taken care of by VB.
- ▶ Non-orthogonality of orbitals is not an issue for QMC.
- ▶ Dynamical correlation hopefully taken care of by Jastrow.
- ▶ But: **we wish to conserve the interpretative tools**, i.e. the weights (and the calculation of separated structure).

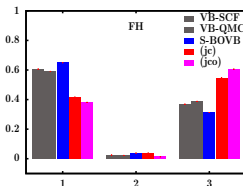
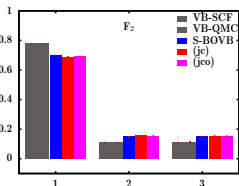
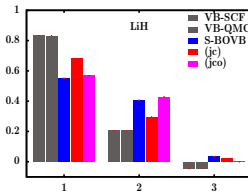
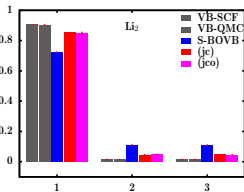
**WFT as
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VB-QMC: weights of VB structures

We wish to transfer the weights of structures to VB-QMC.

Chirwin-Coulson weights $w_i = \frac{\sum_j c_j c_i S_{ij}}{\sum_{ij} c_i c_j S_{ij}}$ and **Löwdin** weights $w_i = \frac{(\sum_j c_j (S^{\frac{1}{2}})_{ji})^2}{\sum_i (\sum_j c_j (S^{\frac{1}{2}})_{ji})^2}$

In both cases, S_{ij} needs to be computed, via $S_{ij} = \int d\mathbf{R} \frac{\psi_i(\mathbf{R})}{\psi_0(\mathbf{R})} \frac{\psi_j(\mathbf{R})}{\psi_0(\mathbf{R})} \psi_0^2(\mathbf{R})$



✓ **VB-QMC = VB-SCF**

Li₂: mainly covalent character
ionic too important in BOVB
(structures are mixing)

F₂: Jastrow very similar to BO
no mixing of structures

It is unclear if the
VB weights are the referent ones
(when there is a too preponderant structure, mixing occurs).

All (and more) is implemented in the **Quantum Chemistry Package** MOLPRO

Fractional occupation number calculations
and **Instabilities in the RPA problem**.

Efficient calculations of determinants in QMC using
the **Sherman-Morrison-Woodbury formula**.

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