

Have unpleasant expression:

$$\sum_{\substack{ijkl \\ mnop}} \sum_J \langle I | ijk^\dagger l^\dagger m^\dagger n^\dagger op | J \rangle c_J^N H_{ijkl}^\dagger G_{mnop} \quad (1)$$

where  $a_i^\dagger = i$ . Reorder to normal ordering to ensuer no non-active indexes in BraKet.

$$\sum_{\substack{ijkl \\ mnop}} \sum_J \langle I | k^\dagger l^\dagger m^\dagger n^\dagger ijop | J \rangle c_J^N H_{ijkl}^\dagger G_{mnop} \quad (2)$$

Reorder back to ordering where indexes corresponding to like operators are grouped:

$$\sum_{\substack{ijkl \\ mnop}} \sum_J \langle I | ijk^\dagger l^\dagger m^\dagger n^\dagger op | J \rangle c_J^N H_{ijkl}^\dagger G_{mnop} \quad (3)$$

If no contractions between operators, perform the contractions between operator representation and rdms/rdms derivatives seperately:

$$\sum_{ijkl} H_{ijkl}^\dagger \sum_K \langle I | ijk^\dagger l^\dagger | K \rangle \sum_{mnop} \sum_J G_{mnop} \langle K | m^\dagger n^\dagger op | J \rangle c_J^N \quad (4)$$

If there are some contractions between different operators can use a similar approach

$$\sum_{ijkl} H_{ijkl}^\dagger \sum_K \langle I | ijk^\dagger | K \rangle \sum_{nop} \sum_J G_{lnop} \langle K | n^\dagger op | J \rangle c_J^N \quad (5)$$

Can evaluate this using the following sequence of operations:

- $\sum_J \langle K | n^\dagger op | J \rangle c_J^N = \sigma_{n^\dagger op}^K$
- $\sum_{nop} G_{lnop} \sigma_{n^\dagger op}^K = \tilde{x}_l^K$
- $\sum_l H_{ijkl}^\dagger \tilde{x}_l^K = \tilde{w}_{ijk}^K$
- $\sum_{ijk} \sum_K \langle I | ijk^\dagger | K \rangle \tilde{w}_{ijk}^K = \tilde{c}^I$

This avoids the need to perform the contractions or perform index shuffling on large combined operators, e.g., shuffling on  $A_{ijk m n o} = \sum_l H_{ijkl}^\dagger G_{lnop}$ , and also eliminate the need to store rdms/rdm derivatives with more than 4 indexes. However, it is worth noting that the contracted index,  $l$  in the above example, is often not active, and hence  $\tilde{x}_l^K$  is usually either  $n_{core} n_{det}$  or  $n_{virt} n_{det}$ , which is typically  $\gg n_{act} n_{det}$ . However, so long as  $n_{virt} < n_{act}^4$  the size of  $\tilde{x}_l^K < \sigma_{ijkl}^K$ , so  $\tilde{x}_l^K$  is still unlikely to be the largest matrix we have to deal with.

A disadvantage is that it requires repeated performance of the operations of the sort  $a_i^\dagger a_j a_k |J\rangle$ . And the fact that the determinant used in the RI ( $|K\rangle$  in the above example are not the same as the active determinants.